ABSTRACT

Data Mining is an analytic process designed to explore data in search of consistent patterns and/or systematic relationships between variables, and then to validate the findings by applying the detected patterns to new subsets of data.

Big Data concern large-volume, complex, growing data sets with multiple, autonomous sources. With the fast development of networking, data storage, and the data collection capacity, Big Data are now rapidly expanding in all science and engineering domains, including physical, biological and biomedical sciences. Big Data is a new term used to identify the datasets that due to their large size and complexity, we cannot manage them with our current methodologies or data mining software tools. Big Data mining is the capability of extracting useful information from these large datasets or streams of data, that due to its volume, variability, and velocity, it was not possible before to do it. The Big Data challenge is becoming one of the most exciting opportunities for the next years.

KEYWORDS: Big Data, data mining, heterogeneity, autonomous sources.

INTRODUCTION

Data Mining is an analytic process designed to explore data in search of consistent patterns and/or systematic relationships between variables, and then to validate the findings by applying the detected patterns to new subsets of data. The ultimate goal of data mining is prediction and predictive data mining is the most common type of data mining and one that has the most direct business applications. The process of data mining consists of three stages: (1) the initial exploration, (2) model building or pattern identification with validation/verification, and (3) deployment (i.e., the application of the model to new data in order to generate predictions).

Applications where data collection has grown tremendously and is beyond the capability of commonly used software tools to capture, manage, and process within a “tolerable elapsed time.” The most fundamental challenge for Big Data applications is to explore the large volumes of data and extract useful information or knowledge for future actions. In many situations, the knowledge extraction process has to be very efficient and close to real time because storing all observed data is nearly infeasible.

Data is being produced at an ever increasing rate. There has also been an acceleration in the proportion of machine-generated and unstructured data (photos, videos, social media feeds and so on) compared to structured data such that 80% or more of all data holdings are now unstructured and new approaches and technologies are required to access, link, manage and gain insight from these data sets.

The commonly accepted definition of big data comes from Gartner who define it as high-volume, high-velocity and/or high-variety information assets that demand cost-effective, innovative forms of information processing for enhanced insight, decision making, and process optimization. These are known as the “three Vs”. Some analysts also discuss big data in terms of value (the economic or political worth of data) and veracity (uncertainty introduced through data quality issues). Government agencies hold or have access to an ever increasing wealth of data including spatial and location data, as well as data collected from and by citizens. Experience suggests that such data can be utilised in ways that have the potential to transform service design and delivery so that personalised and streamlined services, that
accurately and specifically meet individual’s needs, can be delivered to them in a timely manner. Big Data starts with large-volume, heterogeneous, autonomous sources with distributed and decentralized control, and seeks to explore complex and evolving relationships among data. These characteristics make it an extreme challenge for discovering useful knowledge from the Big Data.

Improved service delivery could cover areas as diverse as remote medical diagnostics, major infrastructure management, personalized social security benefits delivery, improved first responder and emergency services, reduction of fraudulent or criminal activity across both government and private sectors, and the development of innovative new services as the growth and availability of Public Sector Information (PSI) becomes more prevalent. The private sector holds huge amounts of data about its customers and in many cases leads the way in how this data is analysed and used to create new business models and services. Agencies have the opportunity to learn from the innovations occurring in the private sector to operate more efficiently and deliver services more effectively while ensuring that privacy and security matters are carefully considered.

Private sector organisations such as Google, Twitter and Facebook hold enormous data stores on Australian citizens and people across the world, and offer access to these on commercial terms. While needing to carefully consider the veracity of this data, it may be that agencies could consider using this data as part of big data analytics projects. The ethical, privacy and security implications of decisions such as these will need to be carefully considered.

LITERATURE SURVEY DETAILS
Various literatures in this area made by the authors in the following national projects that all involve Big Data components:

Integrating and mining biodata from multiple sources in biological networks, sponsored by the US National Science Foundation, Medium Grant No. CCF-0905337, 1 October 2009 - 30 September 2013.

Issues and significance. We have integrated and mined biodata from multiple sources to decipher and utilize the structure of biological networks to shed new insights on the functions of biological systems. We address the theoretical underpinnings and current and future enabling technologies for integrating and mining biological networks. We have expanded and integrated the techniques and methods in information acquisition, transmission, and processing for information networks. We have developed methods for semantic-based data integration, automated hypothesis generation from mined data, and automated scalable analytical tools to evaluate simulation results and refine models.


Issues and significance. We propose to build a stream-based Big Data analytic framework for fast response and real-time decision making. The key challenges and research issues include: - designing Big Data sampling mechanisms to reduce Big Data volumes to a manageable size for processing; - building prediction models from Big Data streams. Such models can adaptively adjust to the dynamic changing of the data, as well as accurately predict the trend of the data in the future; and - a knowledge indexing framework to ensure real-time data monitoring and classification for Big Data applications.

Pattern matching and mining with wildcards and length constraints, sponsored by the National Natural Science Foundation of China, Grant Nos. 60828005 (Phase 1, 1 January 2009 - 31 December 2010) and 61229301 (Phase 2, 1 January 2013 - 31 December 2016).

Issues and significance. We perform a systematic investigation on pattern matching, pattern mining with wildcards, and application problems as follows: - exploration of the NP-hard complexity of the matching and mining problems; - multiple pattern matching with wildcards; - approximate pattern matching and mining, and - application of our research onto ubiquitous personalized information processing and bioinformatics.

Key technologies for integration and mining of multiple, heterogeneous data sources, sponsored by the National High Technology Research and Development Program (863 Program) of China, Grant No. 2012AA011005, 1 January 2012 - 31 December 2014.

Issues and significance. We have performed an investigation on the availability and statistical
predictive analytics have a long history, evoking a critical awareness of the power of knowledge, quality fusion of information, and the importance of analytics processing. To break through the limitations of traditional data mining methods, we have studied heterogeneous information discovery and mining in complex inline data, mining in data streams, multigranularity knowledge discovery from massive multisource data, distribution regularities of massive knowledge, quality fusion of massive knowledge. Group influence and interactions in social networks, sponsored by the National Basic Research 973 Program of China, Grant No. 2013CB329604, 1 January 2013 - 31 December 2017.

Issues and significance. We have studied group influence and interactions in social networks, including - employing group influence and information diffusion models, and deliberating group interaction rules in social networks using dynamic game theory, studying interactive individual selection and effect evaluations under social networks affected by group emotion, and analyzing emotional interactions and influence among individuals and groups, and - establishing an interactive influence model and its computing methods for social network groups, to reveal the interactive influence effects and evolution of social networks.

HOW WE GOT HERE
The simple idea that an organization should retain data that result from carrying out its mission and exploit those data to generate insights that benefit the organization is of course not new. Commonly known as business intelligence, among other monikers, its origins date back several decades.

In this sense, the big data hype is simply a rebranding of what many organizations have been doing all along. Examined more closely, however, there are three major trends that distinguish insight-generation activities today from, say, the 1990s. First, we have seen a tremendous explosion in the sheer amount of data / orders of magnitude increase. In the past, enterprises have typically focused on gathering data that are obviously valuable, such as business objects representing customers, items in catalogs, purchases, contracts, etc. Today, in addition to such data, organizations also gather behavioral data from users. In the online setting, these include web pages that users visit, links that they click on, etc. The advent of social media and user generated content, and the resulting interest in encouraging such interactions, further contributes to the amount of data that is being accumulated.

Second, and more recently, we have seen increasing sophistication in the types of analyses that organizations perform on their vast data stores. Traditionally, most of the information needs fall under what is known as online analytical processing (OLAP). Common tasks include ETL (extract, transform, load) from multiple data sources, creating joined views, followed by altering, aggregation, or cube materialization.

Statisticians might use the phrase descriptive statistics to describe this type of analysis. These outputs might feed report generators, front-end dashboards, and other visualization tools to support common 'roll up" and 'drill down" operations on multi-dimensional data. Today, however, a new breed of ‘data scientists' want to do far more: they are interested in predictive analytics. These include, for example, using machine learning techniques to train predictive models of user behavior|whether a piece of content is spam, whether two users should become 'friends', the likelihood that a user will complete a purchase or be interested in a related product, etc. Other desired capabilities include mining large (often unstructured) data for statistical regularities, using a wide range of techniques from simple (e.g., k-means clustering) to complex (e.g., latent Dirichlet allocation or other Bayesian approaches). These techniques might surface 'latent" facts about the users|such as their interest and expertise|that they do not explicitly express. To be fair, some types of predictive analytics have a long history|for example, credit card fraud detection and market basket analysis. However, we believe there are several qualitative differences. The application of data mining on behavioral data changes the scale at which algorithms need to operate, and the generally weaker signals present in such data require more sophisticated algorithms to produce insights. Furthermore, expectations have grown|what were once cutting-edge techniques practiced only by a few innovative organizations are now routine, and perhaps even necessary for survival in today's competitive environment. Thus, capabilities that may have previously been considered luxuries are now essential.

THE BIG DATA MINING CYCLE

In production environments, effective big data mining at scale doesn’t begin or end with what academics would consider data mining. Most of the research literature (e.g., KDD papers) focus on better algorithms, statistical models, or machine learning techniques just usually starting with a (relatively) well-defined problem, clear metrics for success, and existing data. The criteria for publication typically involve improvements in some figure of merit (hopefully statistically significant): the new proposed method is more accurate, runs faster, requires less memory, is more robust to noise, etc.

In contrast, the problems we grapple with on a daily basis are far more ‘messy’. Let us illustrate with a realistic but hypothetical scenario. We typically begin with a poorly formulated problem, often driven from outside engineering SIGKDD Explorations Volume 14, Issue 2 Page 7 and aligned with strategic objectives of the organization, e.g., ‘we need to accelerate user growth’. Data scientists are tasked with executing against the goal and to operationalize the vague directive into a concrete, solvable problem requires exploratory data analysis. Consider the following sample questions:

When do users typically log in and out?
How frequently?
What features of the product do they use?
Do different groups of users behave differently?
Do these activities correlate with engagement?
What network features correlate with activity?
How do activity profiles of users change over time?

Before beginning exploratory data analysis, the data scientist needs to know what data are available and how they are organized. This fact may seem obvious, but is surprisingly difficult in practice.

BIG DATA MINING ALGORITHMS
To adapt to the multisource, massive, dynamic Big Data, researchers have expanded existing data mining methods in many ways, including the efficiency improvement of single-source knowledge discovery methods [11], designing a data mining mechanism from a multisource perspective [11], [12], as well as the study of dynamic data mining methods and the analysis of stream data [7], [12]. The main motivation for discovering knowledge from massive data is improving the efficiency of single-source mining methods. On the basis of gradual improvement of computer hardware functions, researchers continue to explore ways to improve the efficiency of knowledge discovery algorithms to make them better for massive data. Because massive data are typically collected from different data sources, the knowledge discovery of the massive data must be performed using a multisource mining mechanism. As real-world data often come as a data stream or a characteristic flow, a well-established mechanism is needed to discover knowledge and master the evolution of knowledge in the dynamic data source. Therefore, the massive, heterogeneous and real-time characteristics of multisource data provide essential differences between single-source knowledge discovery and multisource data mining. Wu et al. [11], [12], [10] proposed and established the theory of local pattern analysis, which has laid a foundation for global knowledge discovery in multisource data mining. This theory provides a solution not only for the problem of full search, but also for finding global models that traditional mining methods cannot find. Local pattern analysis of data processing can avoid putting different data sources together to carry out centralized computing.

Data streams are widely used in financial analysis, online trading, medical testing, and so on. Static knowledge discovery methods cannot adapt to the characteristics of dynamic data streams, such as continuity, variability, rapidity, and infinity, and can easily lead to the loss of useful information. Therefore, effective theoretical and technical frameworks are needed to support data stream mining [7]. Knowledge evolution is a common phenomenon in real world systems. For example, the clinician’s treatment programs will constantly adjust with the conditions of the patient, such as family economic status, health insurance, the course of treatment, treatment effects, and distribution. In the knowledge discovery process, concept drifting aims to analyze the phenomenon of implicit target concept changes or even fundamental changes triggered by dynamics and context in data streams. According to different types of concept drifts, knowledge evolution can take forms of mutation drift, progressive drift, and data distribution drift, based on single features, multiple features, and streaming features.

CONCLUSION
To explore Big Data, we have analyzed several challenges at the data, model, and system levels. To support Big Data mining, high-performance computing platforms are required, which impose systematic designs to unleash the full power of the Big
Data. At the data level, the autonomous information sources and the variety of the data collection environments, often result in data with complicated conditions, such as missing/uncertain values. In other situations, privacy concerns, noise, and errors can be introduced into the data, to produce altered data copies. Developing a safe and sound information sharing protocol is a major challenge. At the model level, the key challenge is to generate global models by combining locally discovered patterns to form a unifying view. This requires carefully designed algorithms to analyze model correlations between distributed sites, and fuse decisions from multiple sources to gain a best model out of the Big Data. At the system level, the essential challenge is that a Big Data mining framework needs to consider complex relationships between samples, models, and data sources, along with their evolving changes with time and other possible factors. A system needs to be carefully designed so that unstructured data can be linked through their complex relationships to form useful patterns, and the growth of data volumes and item relationships should help form legitimate patterns to predict the trend and future.

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