

# DATA MINING

2016/2017

Will become *Big Data Computing* in 2017/2018

**DATA**

**NEEDS**



**Data Scientist**

**TOOLS**

# DATA

- ① Technological progress
  - Growth of storage capacity
  - Growth of communication bandwidth
  - Growth of computing power
  - Reduction of ICT costs
- ② Digital universe:
  - Integration of digital technologies in *all sorts* of human activities
  - Scientific research: biology (e.g., genomics); physics (e.g., particle physics, LHC); astronomy (e.g., wide-field survey telescopes); climate monitoring; etc.
  - Exponential growth of data (doubles every 2 years)
- ③ Data can be either unstructured (e.g., textual data) or structured (e.g., database records, networks)

# DATA: digital universe



Source: *The Digital Universe of Opportunities*, by IDC (2014)

1 ZettaByte (ZB) =  $10^{21}$ B



# NEEDS

- Either predetermined or induced by availability of data/tools
- Examples:
  - Retailing: product improvement; recommendation systems
  - Banking/Finance: fraud detection; risk prediction; financial forecast
  - Telecommunications: user profiling; quality-of-service improvement
  - Science: validation of methods/results
  - Medicine: diagnosis/therapy improvement
  - Social impact: analysis of social networks; smart cities

# TOOLS

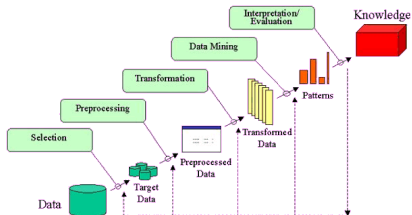
- Statistics
- Machine Learning
- Algorithmics: tradeoffs between accuracy and space-time efficiency; novel computing/programming frameworks
- High-performance computing
- Natural Language Processing
- Visualization

# What is Data Mining?

Given a potentially large dataset, discover (through automatic procedures) **patterns**, **models**, **properties**, which are

- *Valid*
- *Useful*
- *Unexpected* (i.e., not explicitly contained in the data) and *previously unknown*
- *Understandable* (to humans)

Process of Knowledge  
Discovery in Databases





# Presentation of the Course

## What will we learn?

- 1 A sample of key primitives for data analysis
  - Rigorous setting
  - Algorithmic solutions with focus on large inputs
- 2 Novel computing/programming frameworks for (large) data analysis: theory and practice

## More specific contents

- 1 Association Analysis
- 2 Computational Frameworks: MapReduce/Spark, Streaming
- 3 Clustering
- 4 Graph Analytics
- 5 Mining primitives for data streams
- 6 Similarity Search

# Administrative issues

## Evaluation

- Written test: 75%
- Project: 25%

## Online tools

- **Moodle:** registration (by march 12, password: **DM1617**), forum, results of written tests
- **Uniweb:** official exam lists, final grades
- **Course web site** (<http://www.dei.unipd.it/~capri/DM>): complete info, slides, links, solutions