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Data Mining

Fundamental Concepts

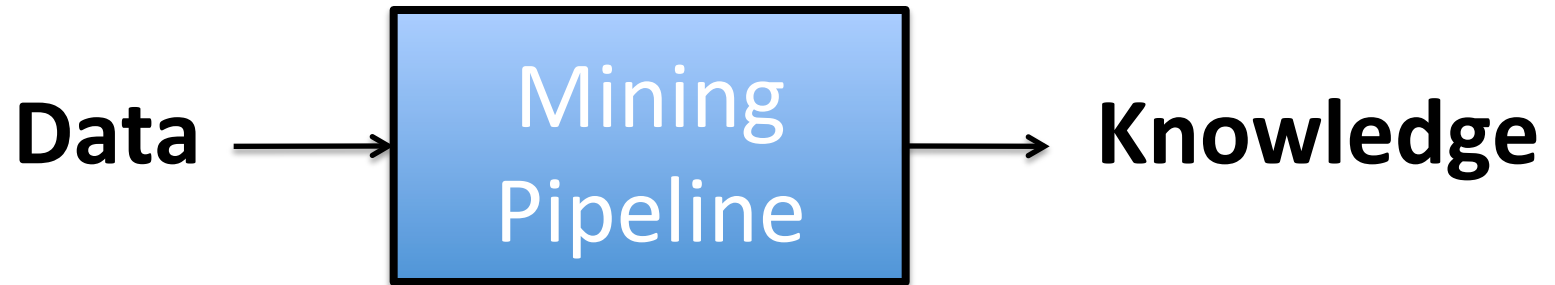
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In This Talk...

- What is data mining?
- What is it useful for?
- Where is it applied?
- How does it work?
- Does it always work?
- The Context: What is in it for us?

From Data to Knowledge



The objective of data mining is
to transform data into knowledge



Preliminaries



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Dictionary.com definition

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Also called **sensum**. *Psychology*. the basic unit of an experience resulting from the stimulation of a sense organ; a stimulus or an object of perception or sensation.

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What is data?

- Objective facts about the perceived or sensed
- Measurements
- Physical instantiation/embodiment of *information*

Preliminaries

Where do data/information arise from?

- Humans
 - Our senses
 - Our likes/dislikes, favorite books, movies, music, ...
 - Our identity, political views, web browsing sessions, ...
 - Our genome, medical records, ...
- Earth and Universe
 - Stars and planets, celestial motions, ...
 - Climate, geography, oceans, ...
- Organizations/Companies
 - Expenses and revenues, stock rates, ...
- ...

A Note on the Things to Come...

In this course, we will consider
The City in general, ***Tarlabaşı*** in particular
as our source of information (data).

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What is knowledge?

Knowledge in general is the subject matter of epistemology:

- Plato: Knowledge is **justified true belief (JTB)**
 - Is it sufficient?
 - Gettier (1963): There are cases where JTB is not sufficient
- Aristotle considers knowledge from the **causality** perspective: we have knowledge when we know the cause on which a certain fact (data) depends.
 - How do we diagnose causality?

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Information is the *preimage* (or raw form) of **knowledge**

What is Data Mining?

Data mining is

The semi-automatic process of extracting important patterns and trends from data arising in a specific domain in order to:

- **Predict** the future outcomes of a “system” from past observations (i.e., data)
- **Explain** the underlying rules and dynamics that generate the data
- **Understand** “what the data says” about a particular question (hypothesis) of interest


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*If we are able to (partially) perform one or more of these tasks, we're said to possess **(partial) operational knowledge** on that particular domain*

A Remark on Data Collection

Where/How do we get data?



Data determines the kind of knowledge
descriptions you can extract



If you have a specific knowledge description you
want to obtain, you should collect the data that is
relevant to that knowledge description

What is Data Mining Useful for?

Prediction

- Predict the amount of rain that will fall in Istanbul during June 2013

Data: monthly records over the past ten years

- Predict whether an elderly patient will develop Alzheimer's within the years to come

Data: medical records (tests, MR scans, ...) and similar about other Alzheimer's patients

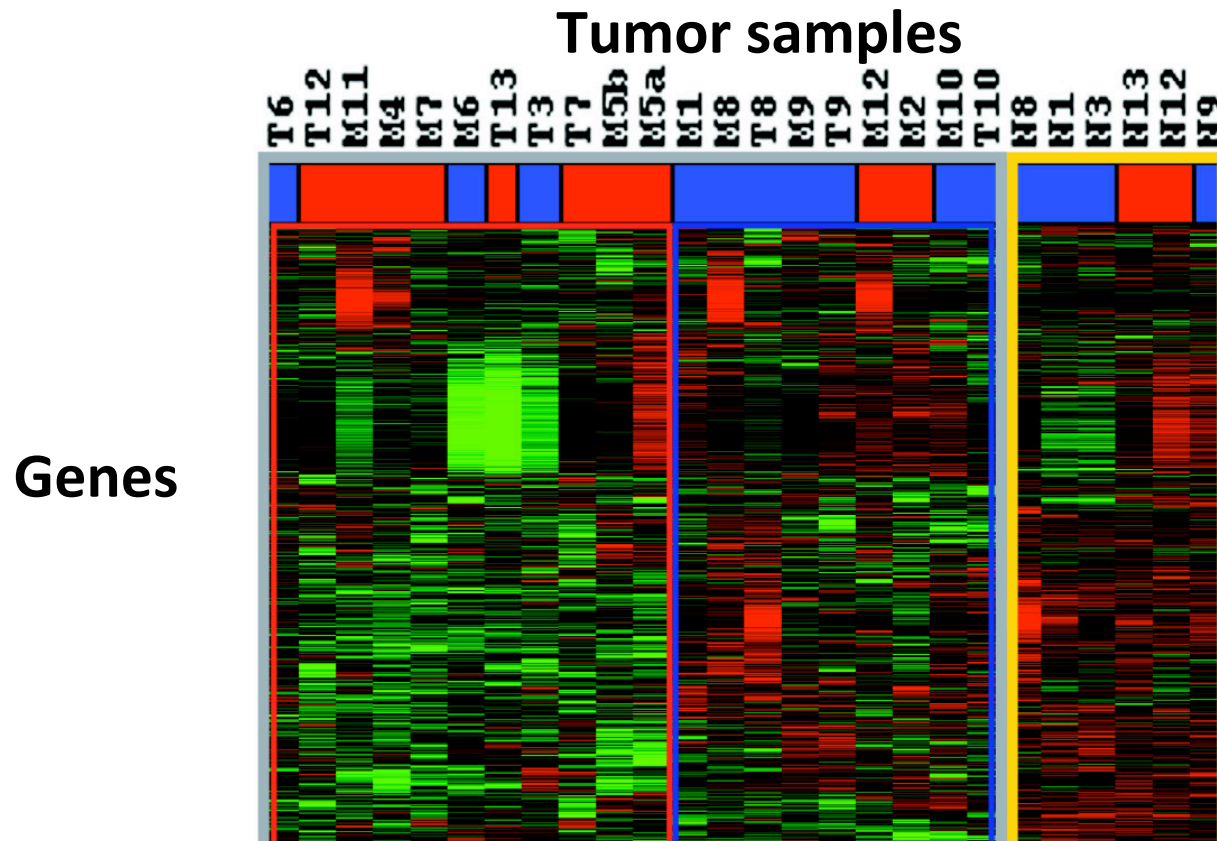
- Predict the price of a stock in six months

Data: company performance and economic data

- ...

What is Data Mining Useful for?

Explanation/Understanding



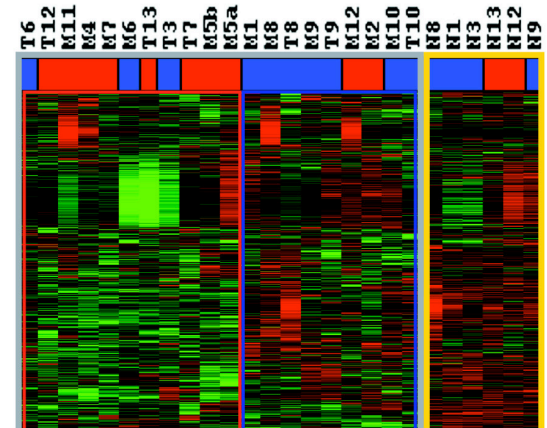
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Gene expression profile dataset

What is Data Mining Useful for?

Explanation/Understanding

Given a gene expression dataset:



- Which samples are most similar to each other, in terms of their expression profiles across genes?
- Which genes are most similar to each other, in terms of their expression profiles across samples?
- Do certain genes show very high (or low) expression for certain cancer samples?

Applications: Classical

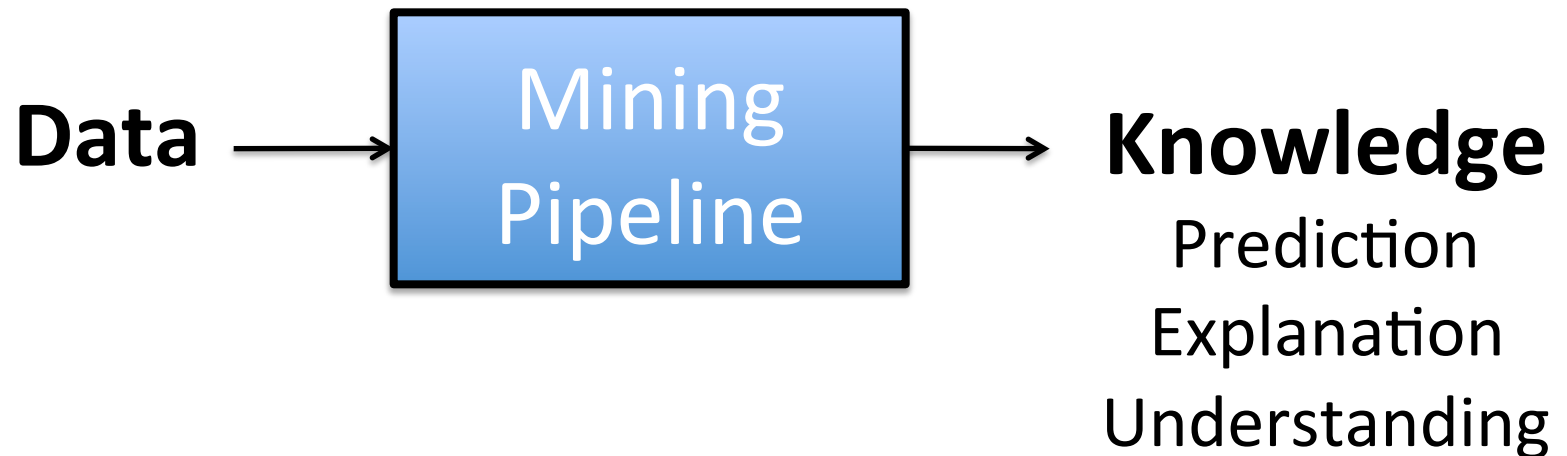
- Marketing (e.g., sales analysis)
- Banking (e.g., credit and loan approval)
- Medicine / Biology / Pharmacology
- Manufacturing (e.g., yield analysis)
- Finance (e.g., stock prediction)
- E-Commerce / Web (e.g., hits analysis)

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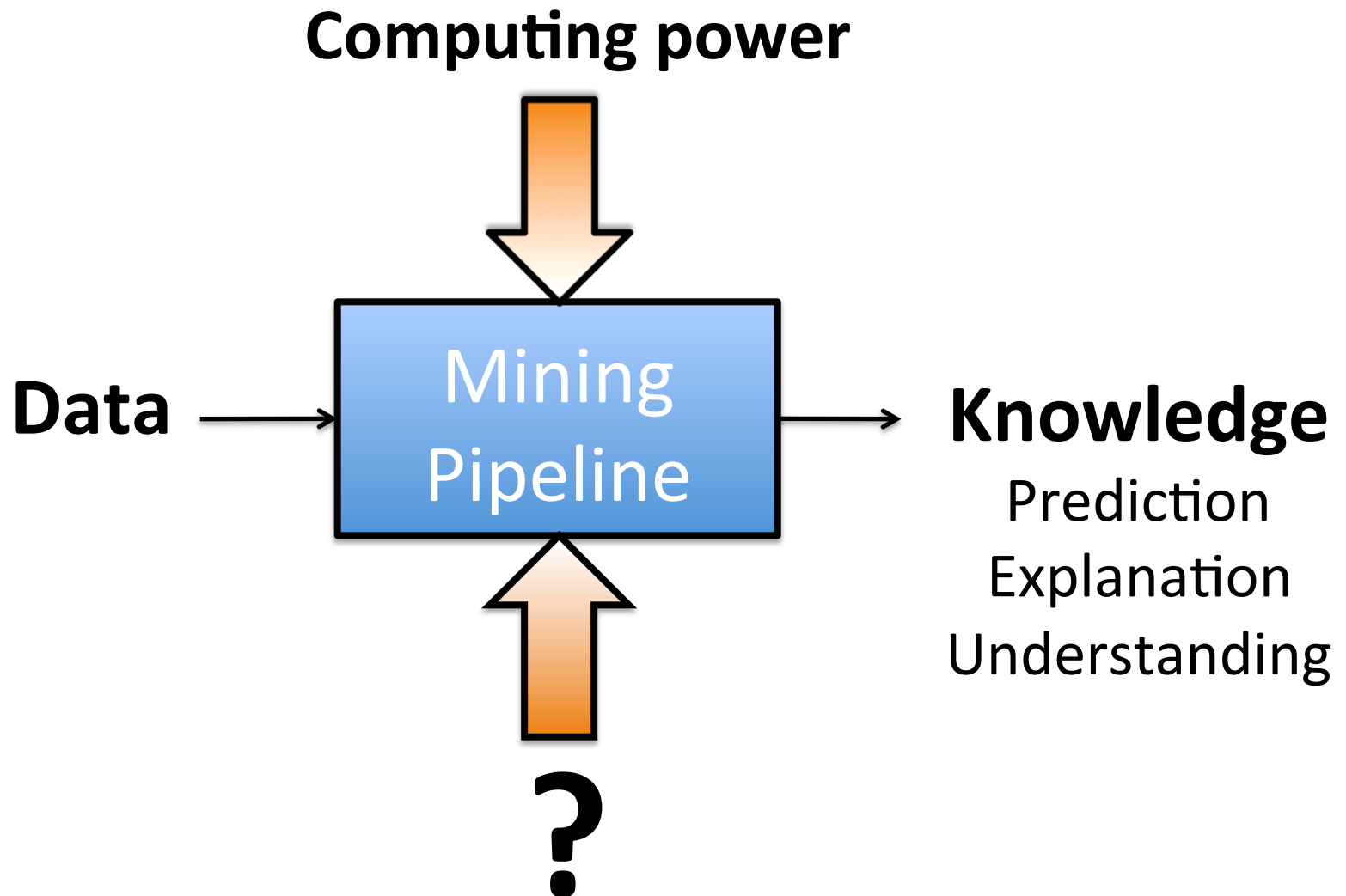
Applications: Less Classical

- Multimedia search engines
 - Content search by audiovisual similarity
- Multimedia content management
 - Automatic content categorization and annotation
 - Audiovisual concept detection
- Image-based medical diagnosis
 - Visual biomarker discovery from medical images

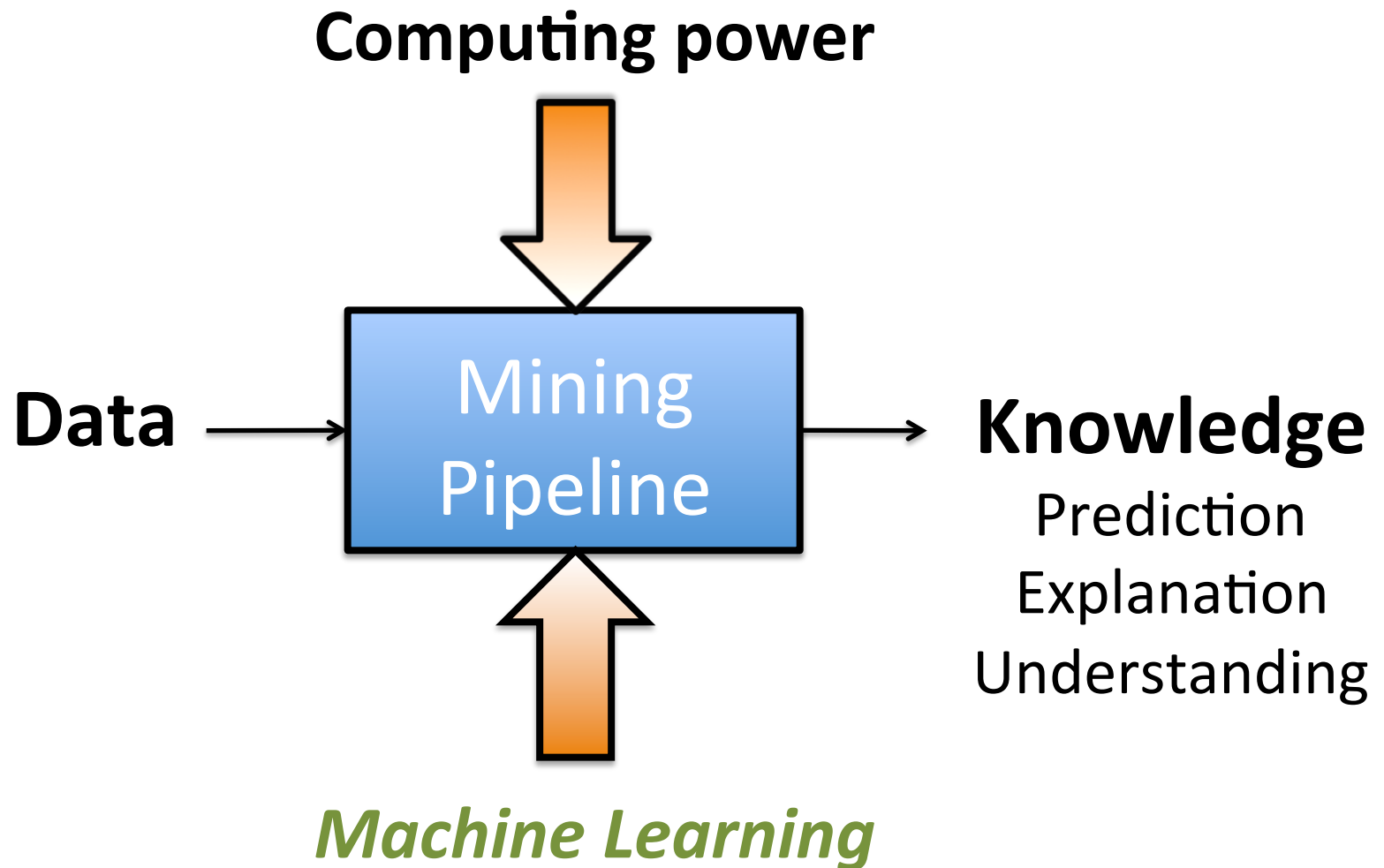
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*If data are the fuel of data mining,
Machine Learning is its engine.*

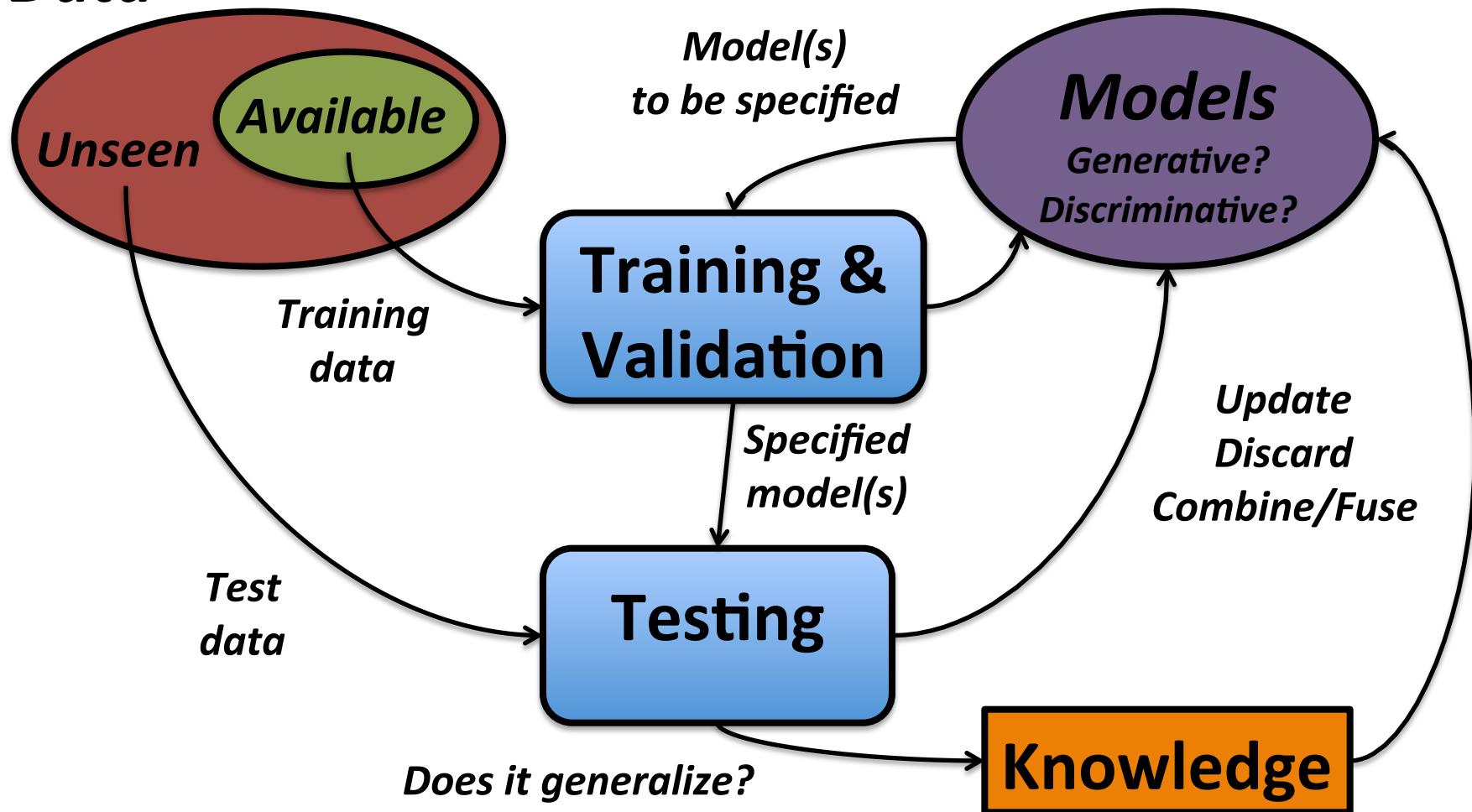
- Not quite like human learning:
Computers have no awareness!
- Though not quite like a calculator neither

Machine learning involves

- Specification of a *statistical* model
(generative, discriminative, or both)
- *Training* the model with available data
- *Testing* the model with new (unseen) data

Machine Learning in One Picture

Data

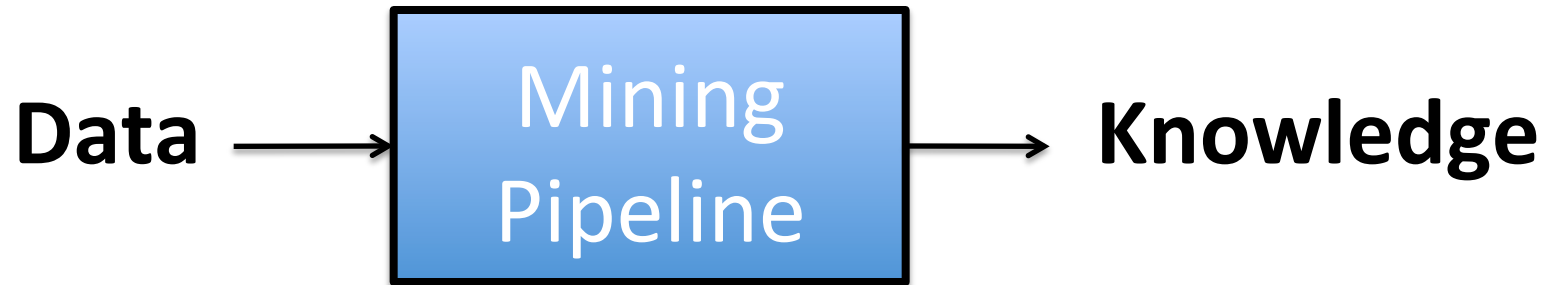


Does it always work?

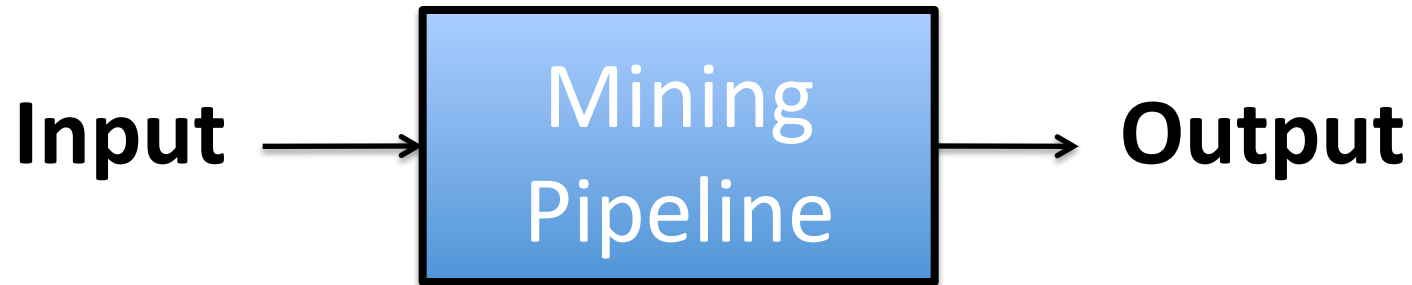
Data mining doesn't work when/if

- You don't have (sufficient) data
- You ask the wrong question
- You just focus on training
- You rely on just one technique
- You mix apples with bananas
- You don't use your intuition
- You use your intuition
- You try to answer every question
- ...

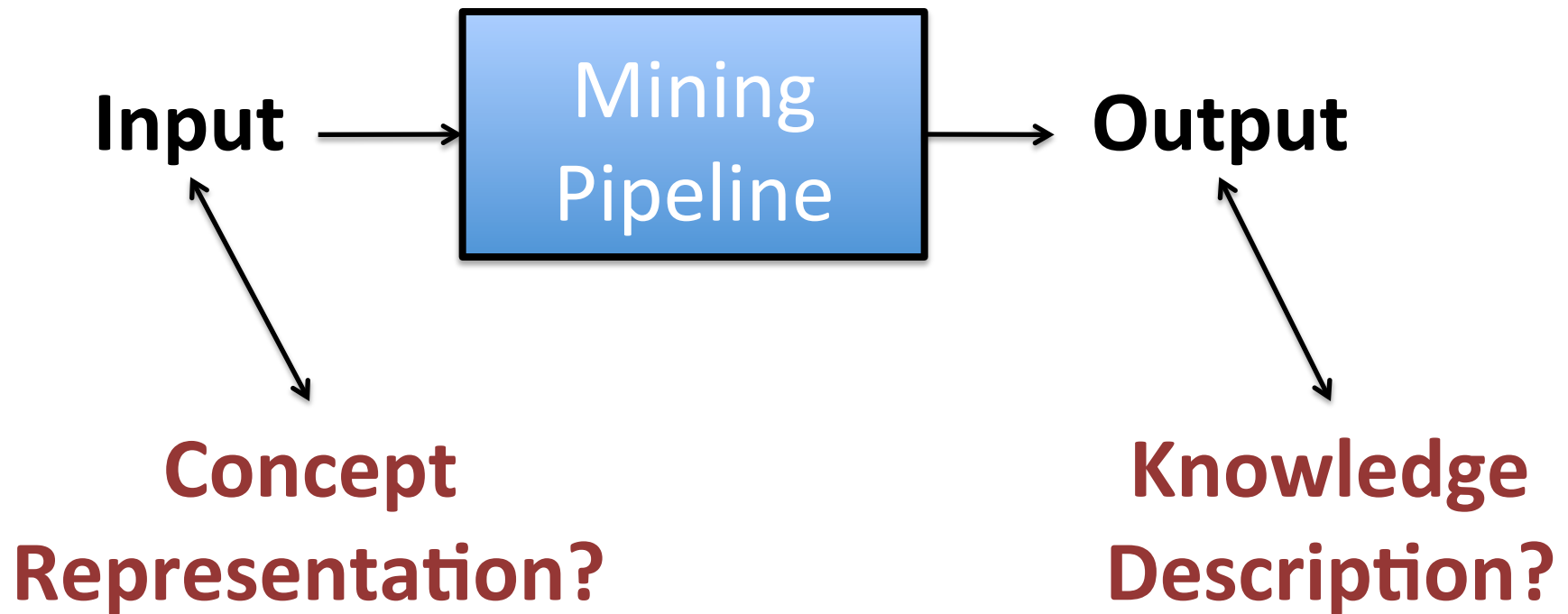
Data Mining Pipeline – *again*



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Inputs: Concept Representation

“What is it in a name? That which we call a rose
By any other name would smell as sweet”

Shakespeare

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[Recall Plato's *allegory of cave*]
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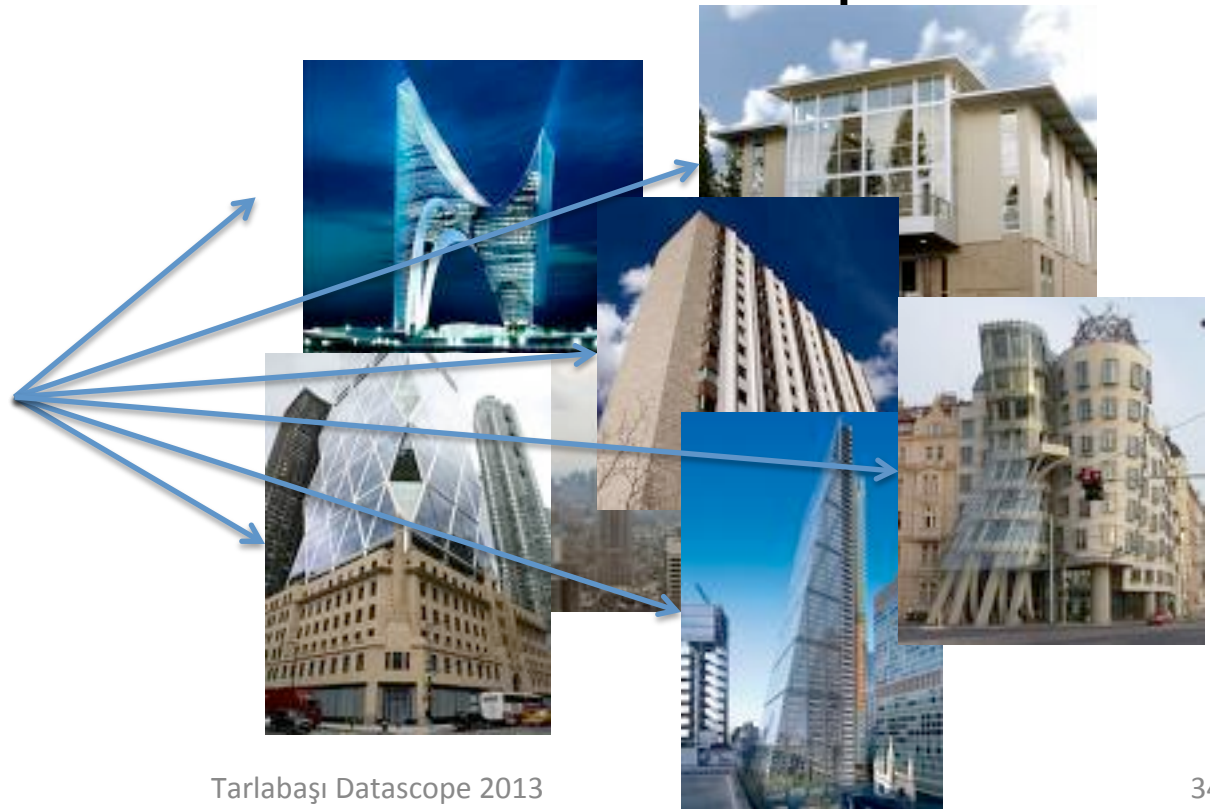
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Consider the concept “Karnıyarık”

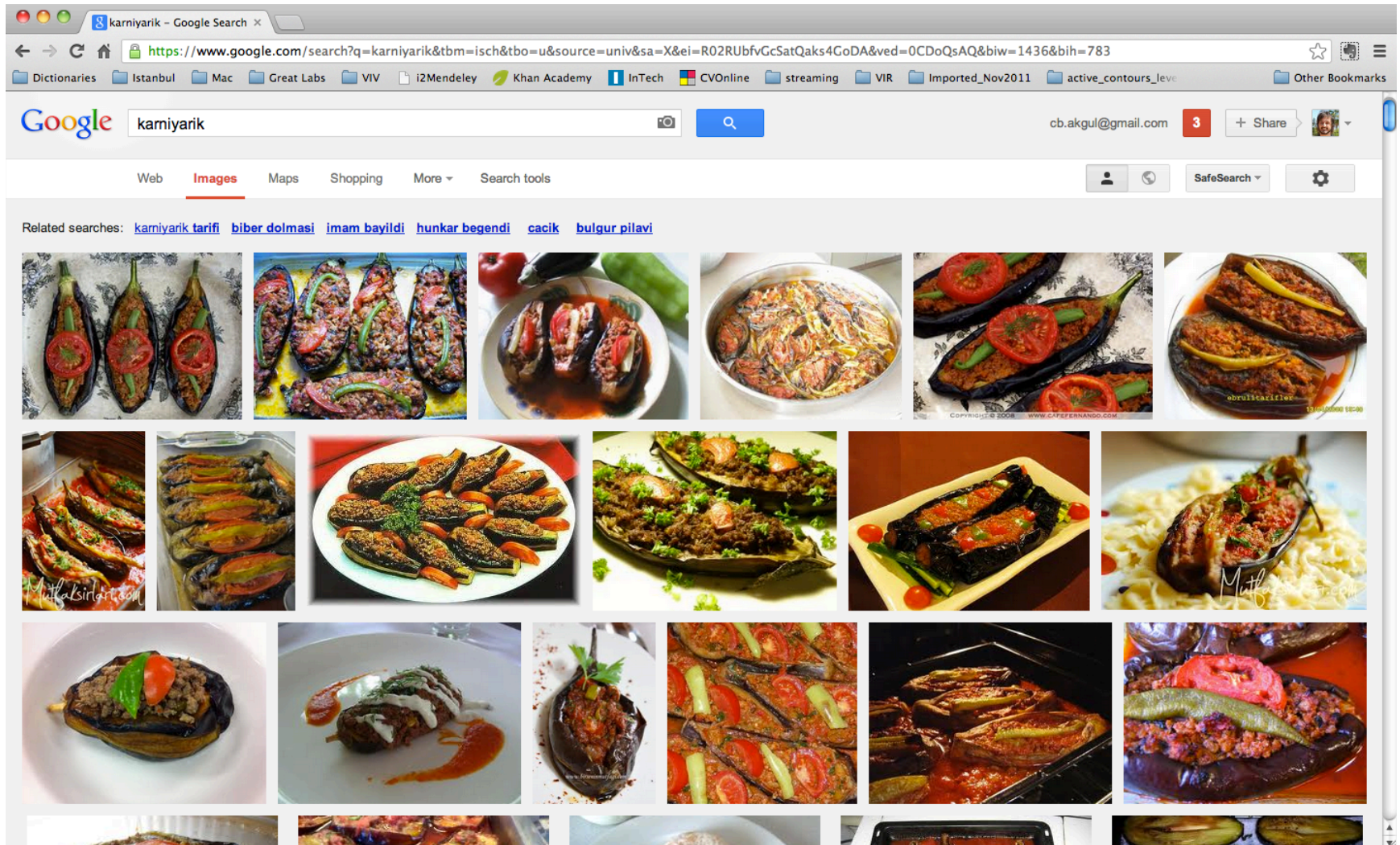
*A traditional Turkish hot dish prepared by stuffing
an eggplant with minced meat, finely sliced
tomatoes, onion, garlic; flavored with spices...*

It tastes good when made with competence...

It's a summer dish...

...

Googling for “karniyarik”...



Inputs: Concept Representation

How do we represent a concept?

In data mining:

- We need operational representations
- We need a way to **encode the available information**
- **Attributes** are a means to encode the information
- A concept is thus represented by a set of attributes
- Attributes may not necessarily cover the whole semantic field of the concept*

Inputs: Concept Representation

How do we represent a concept?

Let's represent “Karnıyarık”:

Inputs: Concept Representation

How do we represent a concept?

Let's represent "Karnıyarık":

- Meat
- Eggplant
- Tomato
- Onion
- Garlic
- Spice
- Cooking time
- Region
- Taste
- ...

Attributes

An attribute is an atomic property of a concept

Inputs: Concept Representation

Input → Concept → Instances

An example is a particular instance of a concept

The attributes of an instance are specified

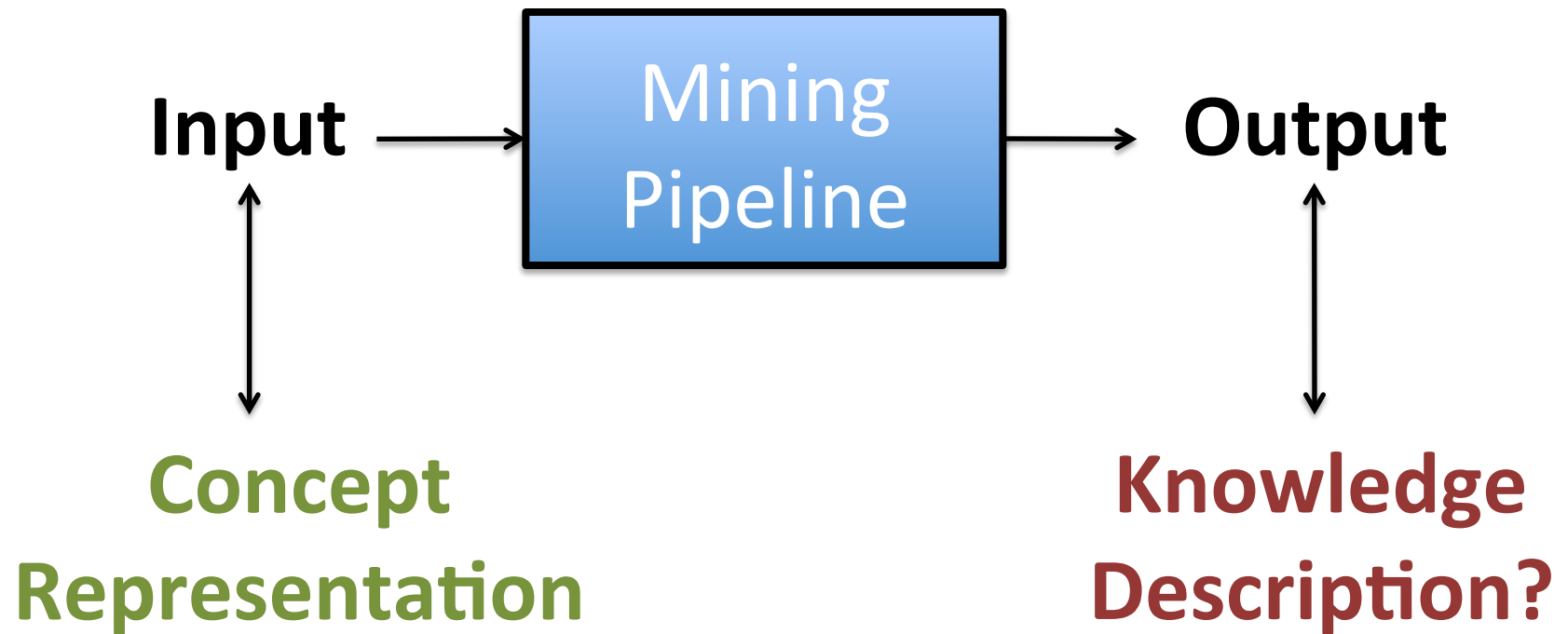
- Meat (grams) = 250 *–numeric*
- Eggplant (piece) = 1 *–numeric*
- Tomato (piece) = 3 *–numeric*
- Onion (piece) = 2 *–numeric*
- Garlic (piece) = 1 *–numeric*
- Spice (spoon) = 1 *–numeric*
- Cooking time (minute) = 30 *–numeric*
- Taste (good/bad/mediocre) = good *–nominal (categorical)*

Inputs: Concept Representation

Summary

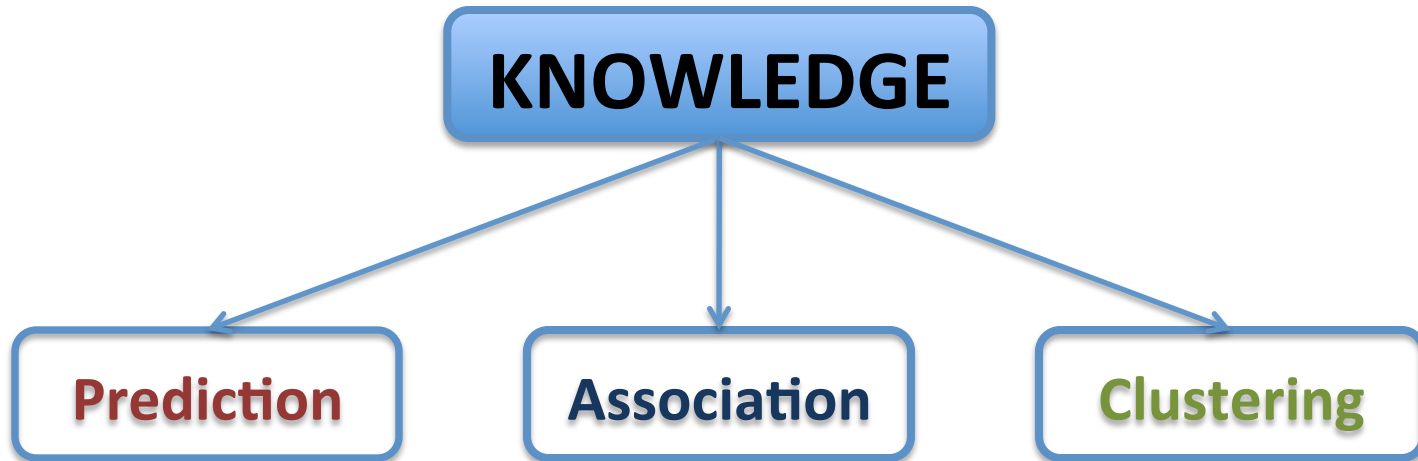
- (1) A **concept** is an abstraction of a physical thing
- (2) Information about a concept is encoded by a set of attributes (or features)
- (3) An **attribute** is an atomic property of a concept
- (4) An **instance** is a particular realization of a concept
- (5) Input to the data mining pipeline is a set of instances with specified attributes

Data mining pipeline – *again*



Outputs: Knowledge Description

What kind of knowledge do we want to extract?



Outputs: Knowledge Description

How do we describe knowledge?

Prediction rules

- Classification

Given the amount of each ingredient, cooking time, etc. find a rule predicting whether the “karnıyarık” will taste good, bad, or mediocre.

- Numeric prediction (Regression)

Outputs: Knowledge Description

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Association rules

Any regularity between two or more attributes can be expressed as an association rule

Ex1. If meat is X grams, then there should be Y pieces of eggplants (such that $Y = aX$)

Ex2. If tastes bad, then there were too much onion ($>>2$ pieces) and cooking time was not enough (<10 mins)

...

Outputs: Knowledge Description

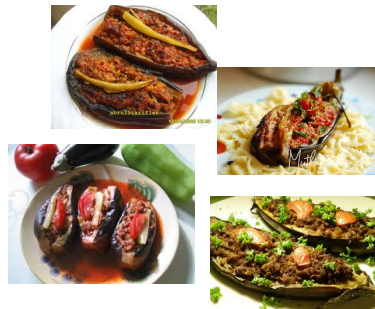
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Clustering rules

Suppose you have all the attributes in place except the *taste* or *region* information, clustering automatically *regroups similar karnıyarık instances in the attribute space*.



Group 1



Group 2

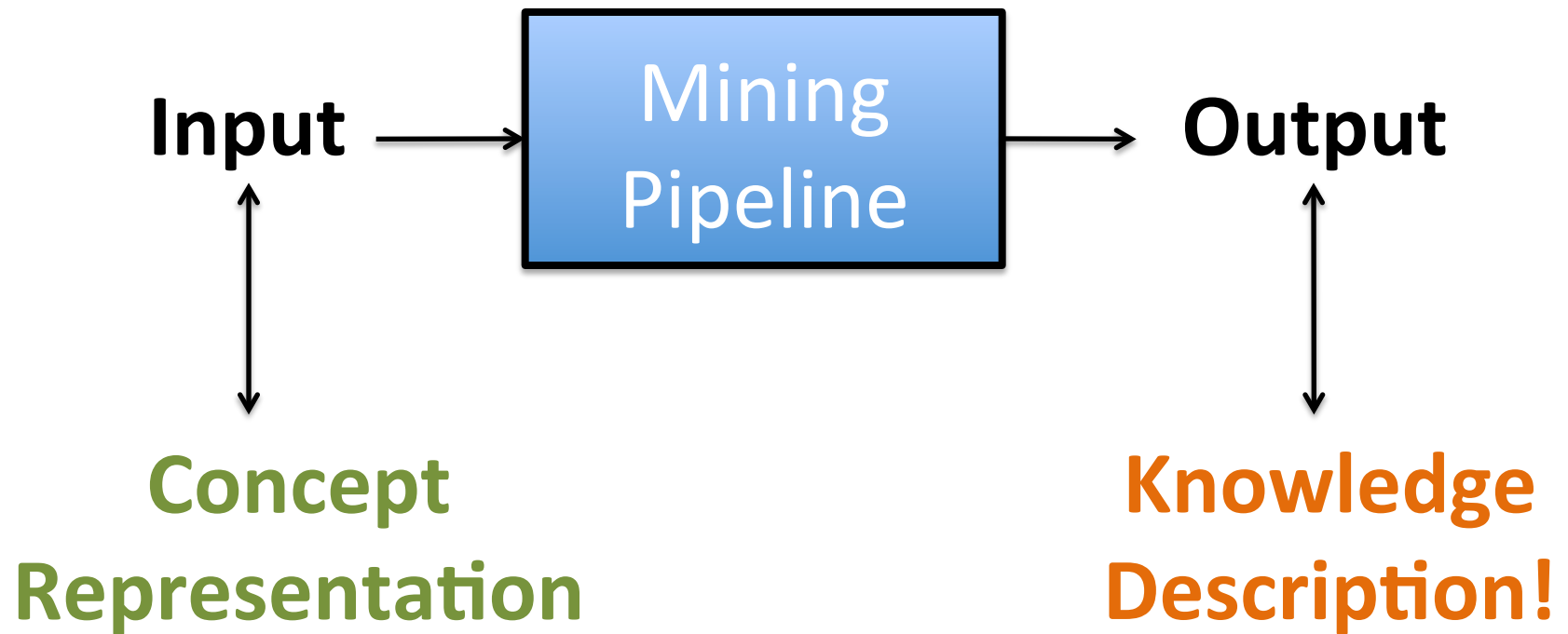


Group 3



Group 4

Data Mining Pipeline – *finally!*



The Context

ID	X	Y	LNDUSE_1	LNDUSE_2	LNDUSE_3	EMPTY_FLR	NBR_FLOORS	LND_PRICE	Shape_Leng	Shape_Area
24	414173.76	4545521.54	No 1st Floor	No 2nd Floor	No 3rd Floor	All Empty	1	65	19.67644139	20.6855014
47	414546.937	4545568.77	Business-Shopping	Business-Shopping	Business-Shopping	%1-19 empty	7	323	47.26726314	111.9283511
49	414522.306	4545570.56	Business-Shopping	Empty	Empty	%80-99 empty	6	215	44.75515759	79.23590761
51	414516.73	4545579.21	Business-Shopping	No 2nd Floor	No 3rd Floor	%60-79 empty	2	215	44.78549084	108.1408138
54	414510.006	4545590.6	Business-Shopping	Business-Shopping	Empty	%40-59 empty	4	215	36.19779414	51.4612925
112	414473.822	4545533.28	Residential	Residential	Residential	%20-39 empty	4	75	31.01216642	48.53906077
148	414475.002	4545686.75	Business-Shopping	No 2nd Floor	No 3rd Floor	%40-59 empty	2	81	28.91314444	48.32320615
218	414412.732	4545636.38	Residential	No 2nd Floor	No 3rd Floor	%20-39 empty	2	81	37.94099886	89.22532668
303	414359.249	4545615.84	No 1st Floor	No 2nd Floor	No 3rd Floor	All Empty	1	54	25.31028882	39.90526661
360	414339.192	4545535.45	Business-Shopping	No 2nd Floor	No 3rd Floor	%20-39 empty	2	118	27.04306332	43.09465423
605	414398.229	4545419.92	Business-Shopping	Residential	Residential	%20-39 empty	5	75	27.0247108	38.84584943
719	414359.223	4545449.15	No 1st Floor	No 2nd Floor	No 3rd Floor	All Empty	1	48	41.04082385	84.93521138
1051	413850.002	4545418.87	No 1st Floor	No 2nd Floor	No 3rd Floor	All Empty	1	269	19.03025298	21.15196311
1307	414127.711	4545474.8	No 1st Floor	No 2nd Floor	No 3rd Floor	All Empty	1	108	23.52865716	31.60648204
1631	414299.567	4545531.73	Business-Shopping	Business-Shopping	Business-Shopping	%40-59 empty	4	183	45.14404758	82.31604095
1682	414304.009	4545479.39	No 1st Floor	No 2nd Floor	No 3rd Floor	All Empty	1	75	25.59570944	32.38807975
1704	414078.417	4545579.82	No 1st Floor	No 2nd Floor	No 3rd Floor	All Empty	1	118	26.86361993	40.13686342
1758	414314.541	4545597.35	Residential	Residential	No 3rd Floor	%20-39 empty	3	75	26.96805139	40.34437397
1872	414182.114	4545567.74	Business-Shopping	Residential	Residential	%20-39 empty	4	118	33.20154348	56.34492073
1899	414138.347	4545605.27	No 1st Floor	No 2nd Floor	No 3rd Floor	All Empty	1	118	23.51417851	32.9281061
2013	413939.65	4545299.65	No 1st Floor	No 2nd Floor	No 3rd Floor	%40-59 empty	1	75	31.49221144	47.61425107
2150	414333.677	4545392.69	Business-Shopping	Residential	Empty	%40-59 empty	4	48	31.89077123	43.24782143
2163	414338.045	4545611.89	No 1st Floor	No 2nd Floor	No 3rd Floor	All Empty	1	54	23.10194745	32.71690436
2231	414467.629	4545685.17	Business-Shopping	Empty	Residential	%40-59 empty	5	81	29.67665084	49.86289799
2344	413867.016	4545456.22	Business-Shopping	Residential	No 3rd Floor	%40-59 empty	3	75	26.44983088	37.41656042
2381	414228.078	4545469.4	No 1st Floor	No 2nd Floor	No 3rd Floor	All Empty	1	65	19.6780004	19.01515631
2389	414094.932	4545525.71	No 1st Floor	No 2nd Floor	No 3rd Floor	All Empty	1	65	17.15585481	18.1162578
2427	414245.613	4545574.51	No 1st Floor	No 2nd Floor	No 3rd Floor	All Empty	1	81	16.55497042	17.09602541

A snapshot of Tarlabaşı data

The Context

Some example uses of data mining in architecture and urban research

- Archetypal office building layouts (Hannah, 2007)
- Urban block morphology in terms of shape and density (Laskari, 2007)
- Arabic house typologies (Reffat, 2008)
- Spatio-temporal urban growth patterns and trends for modeling and prediction of urban growth (Liu and Seto, 2008)
- Urban typologies focusing on the aspects of morphology and density for blocks, mobility for streets (Gil *et al.*, 2009).

Thought exercise [for lunch 😊]

Think of the “City” as a concept:

- Designate a set of attributes related to the city
- Instantiate the “City” concept with examples
- Specify the attributes of your “City” examples

What kind of knowledge descriptions can you extract with your chosen set of attributes?

Do the reverse*