



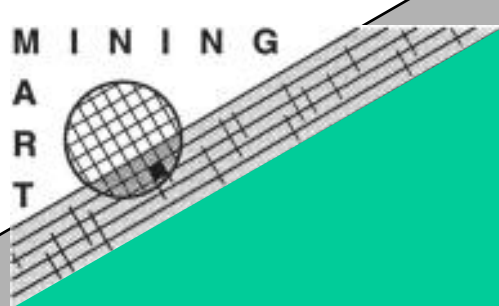
# The Representation Race

## Handling Time Phenomena

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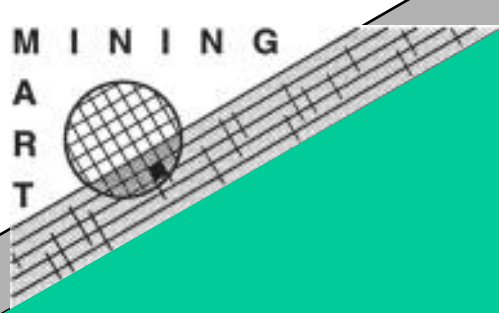
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- MiningMart -- an approach to the representation race
- Time related learning tasks
- Case studies
  - shop
  - intensive care



# The Problem: Method Selection

- Criteria for selecting a learning method for an application are missing -- no expert knowledge available! (MLT Consultant)
- Empirical studies do neither result in clear guidelines. (StatLog)
- Learning the rules that recommend a method for an application requires well-chosen descriptions of methods and tasks. (MetaL, CORA)

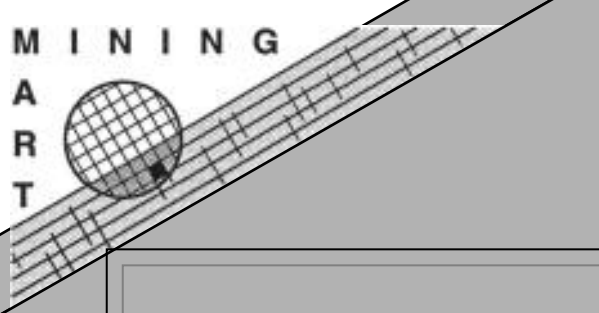


# Observation

Experienced users can apply any learning system successfully to any application, since they prepare the data well...

- The representation  $L_E$  of examples determines the applicability of learning methods.
- A chain of data transformations (learning steps) leads to  $L_E$  of the method that delivers the desired result.

Experienced users remember prototypical successful transformation/learning chains



# The Representation Race

application:

data

users

performance system

$L_{E1}$

$L_{Hn+m}$

$L_{H1}$

$L_{En+m}$

$L_{E2}$

...

$L_{H2}$

...  
 $L_{En-1}$

learning/data mining

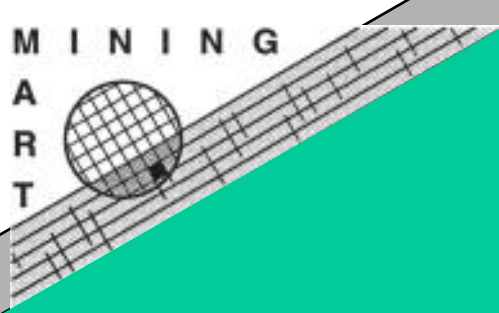
$L_{Hn+1}$

$L_{Hn-1} =$

$L_{En}$

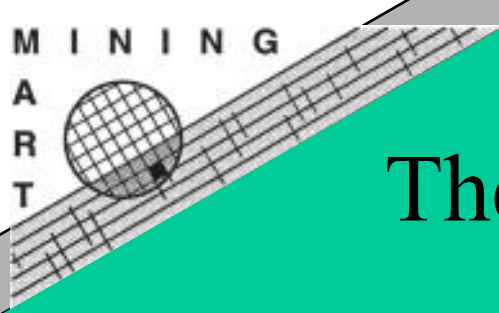
$L_{Hn}$

$= L_{En+1}$



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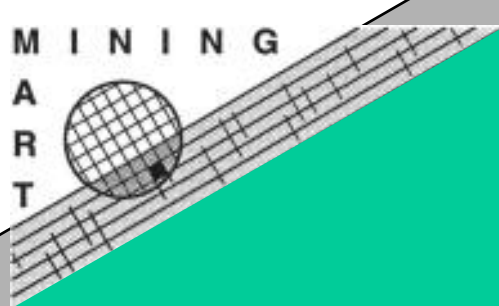


# The MiningMart Approach

**Best practice cases** of transformation/learning chains exist

- Data,  $L_E$  and  $L_H$  are described on the meta level.
- The meta-level description is presented in application terms.
- MiningMart users choose a case and apply the corresponding transformation and learning chain to their application.

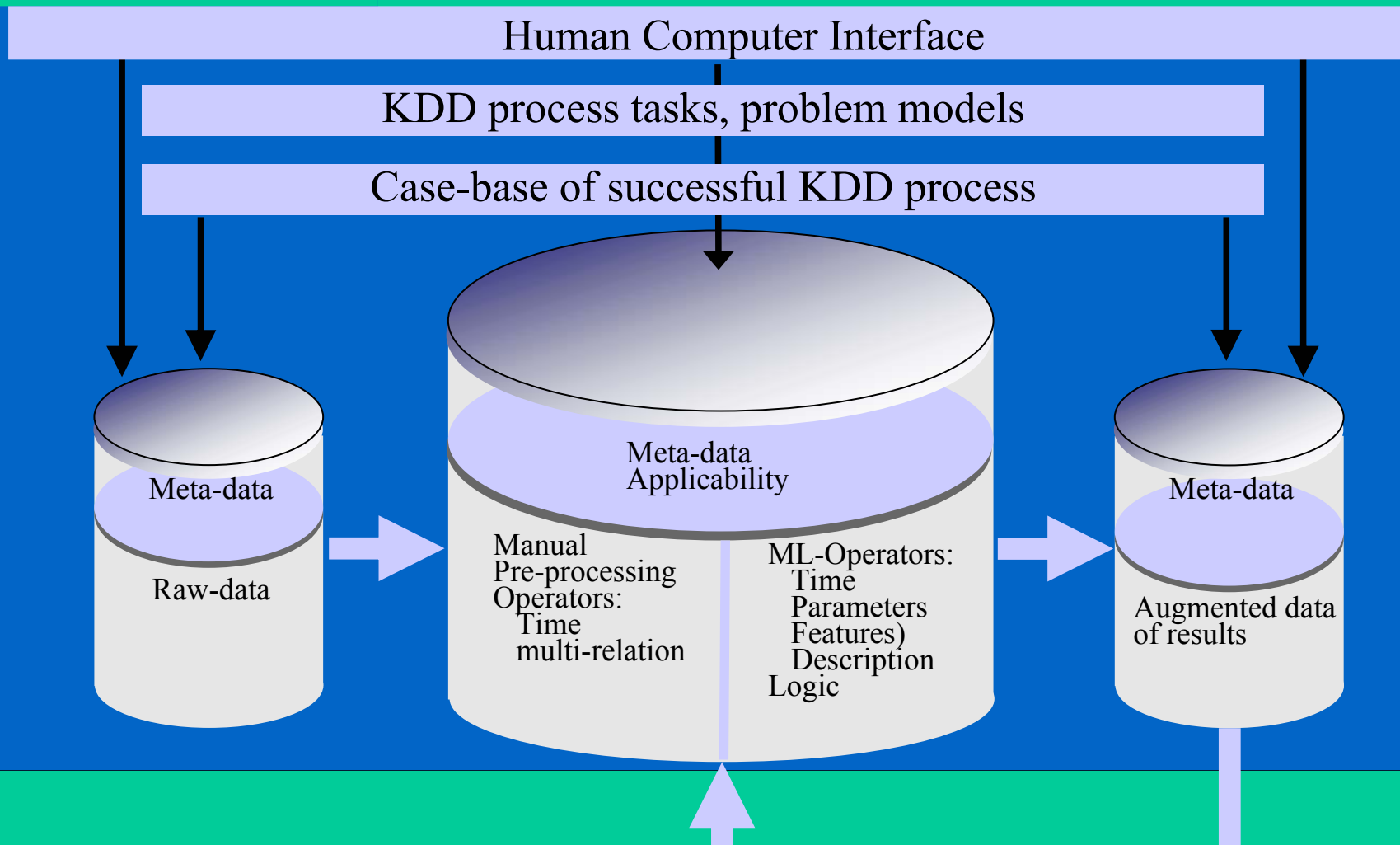
... and **more can be obtained!**



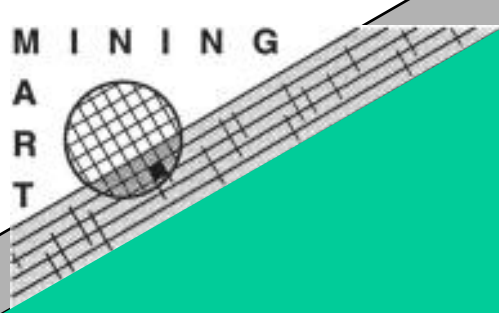
# Call for Participation

- MiningMart is about to develop an operational meta-language for describing data and operators.
- MiningMart prepares the first cases of KDD.
- MiningMart will present the case-base in the WWW.
- You may contribute to the representation race!
  - Apply the meta-language to your application and deliver it as a positive example to the case-base; or
  - apply a case of MiningMart to your data.

# The MiningMart System







# Time Phenomena



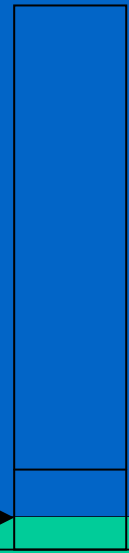
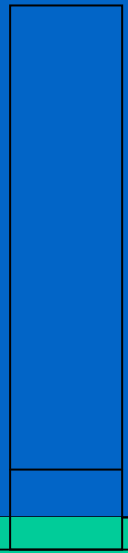
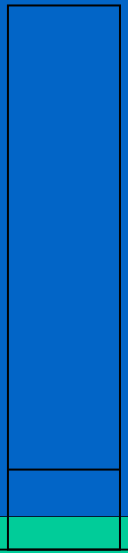
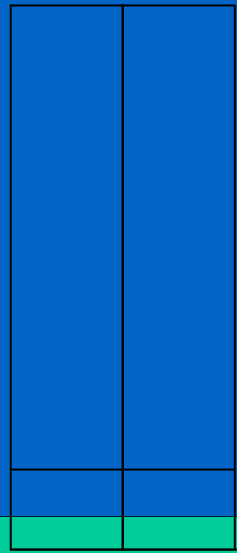
Sequences



level change  
trend change



Events



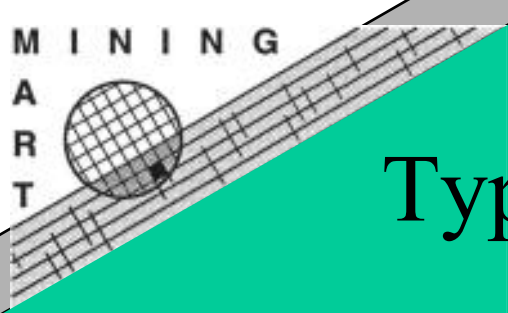
Attributes

univariate time series



Time

$t_1$   $t_2$   $t_i$   $t_m$   $t_{m+1}$



# Typical Time-Related Data

## On-line measurements

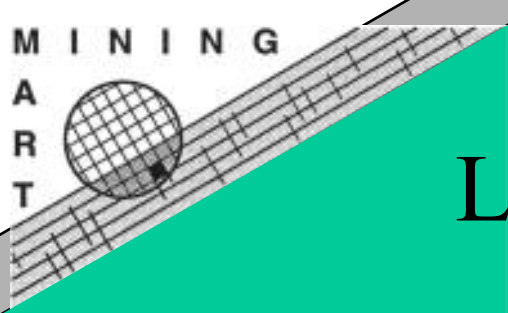
- univariate time series
- multivariate time series

## Database relations

- sales/contract data
- age/life situation

## Granularity

- continuous measurements in day, hours, minutes, seconds
- time stamped events in years, half/quarter years, months, days



# Learning Tasks -- Precedence

From a time series until  $t_m$

univariate

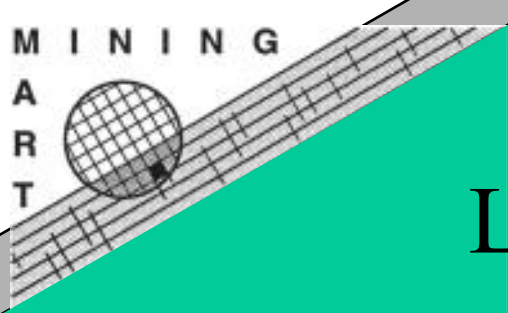
- predict value at  $t_{m+n}$
- find a common trend
- find cycles, seasons
- find level changes

Given sequences

- find clusters of similar subsequences

multivariate

- find co-occurrences
- find subsets of co-occurring attribute values (events)
- find time regions



# Learning Tasks -- Dominance

Define sequences as

Frequent sequences:

precedence relation between sets of events (episodes)

Legal sequences:

proportions of time intervals (predicting actual time point)

Relations between time intervals:

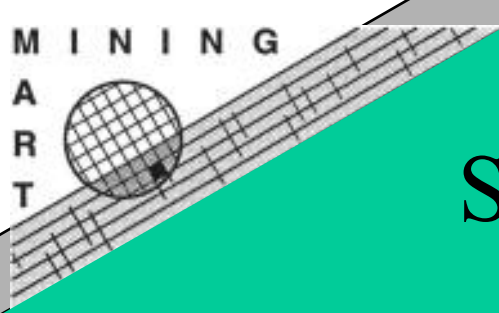
overlap, inclusion, (direct) precedence

Higher-level categories:

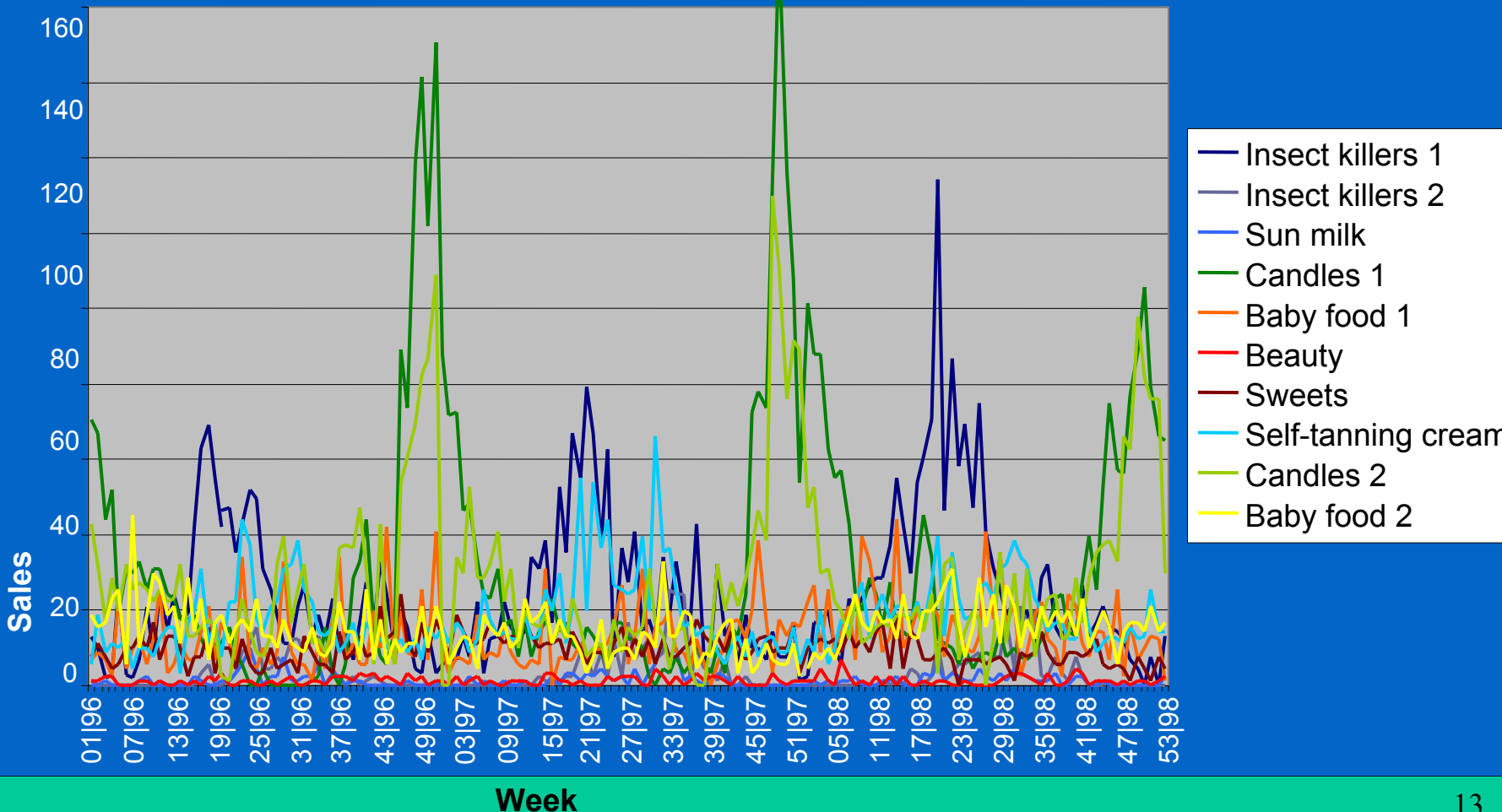
a sequence of actions constitutes a category at the higher level

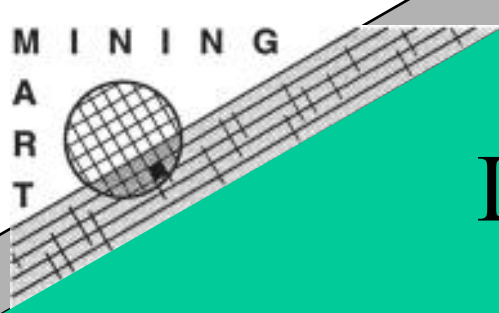
in terms of

- association rules
- first order logic
- prefix trees
- automata
- Hidden Markov Models



# Sales of Items of a Drugstore



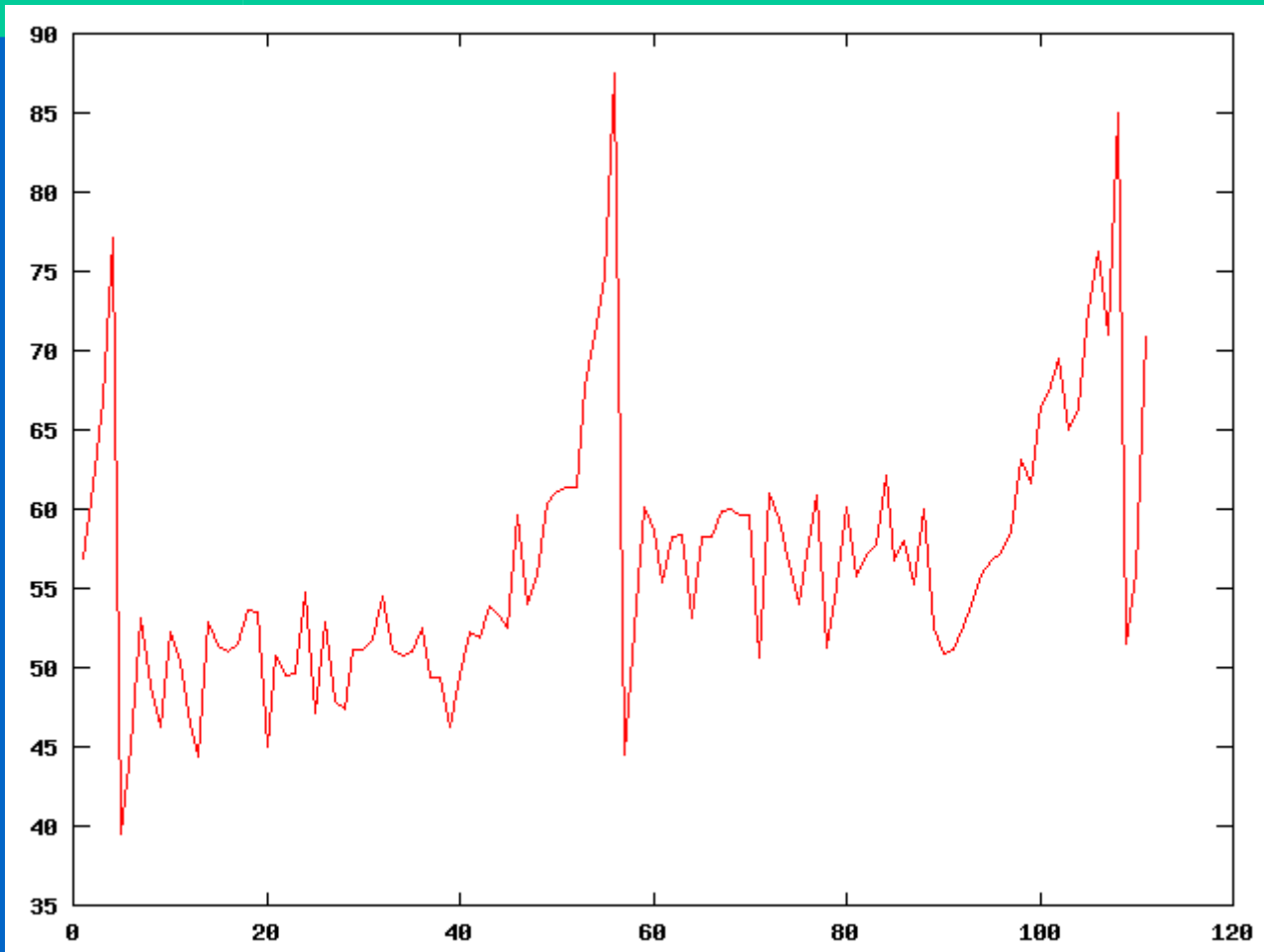


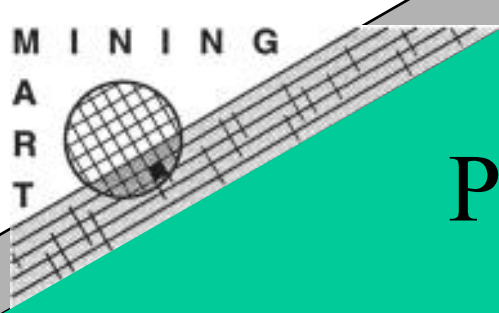
# Learn About All Sales

- Find seasons, cycles, trends in general
- Aggregate all items, all shops
- Define a standard function of sales in a year
- Inspect deviations of particular shops from the standard



# Aggregation of All Items Over Time





# Predict Sales of an Item

Given drug store sales data of 50 items in 20 shops over 104 weeks

predict the sales of an item such that

the prediction never underestimates the sale,

the prediction overestimates less than the rule of thumb.

Observation: 90% of the items are sold less than 10 times a week.

Requirement: prediction horizon is more than 4 weeks ahead.

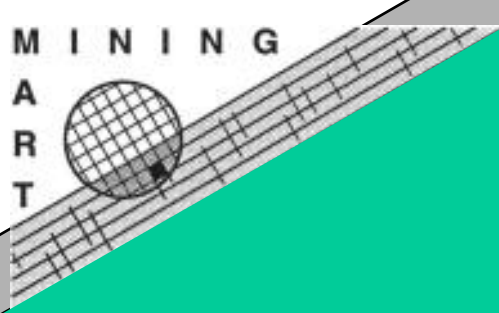




# Shop Application -- Data

Shop	Week	Item1	...	Item50
Dm1	1	4	...	12
Dm1	...	...	...	...
Dm1	104	9	...	16
Dm2	1	3	...	19
...	...	...	...	...
Dm20	104	12	...	16

$LE_{DB1}: I: T_1 A_1 \dots A_{50}$ ; set of multivariate time series



# Transformations

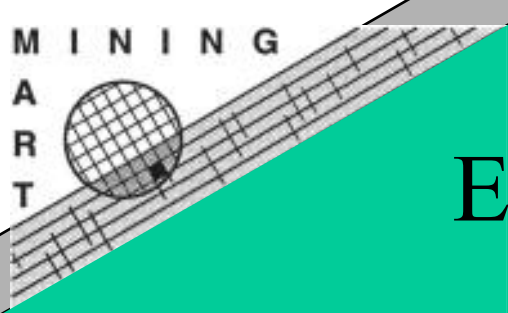
- From shops to items: multivariate to univariate

$$L_{E1'}: i:t_1 a_1 \dots t_k a_k$$

For all shops for all items:  
Create view Univariate as  
Select shop, week, item;  
Where shop="dm<sub>j</sub>;"  
From Source;

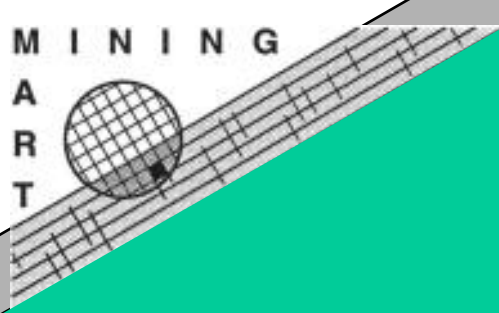
- Multiple learning

Dm1_Item1	1	4	...	104	9
...					
Dm1_Item50	1	12	...	104	16
....					
Dm20_Item50	1	14	...	104	16



# Exponential Smoothing

- Univariate time series as input (  $LE_1, \dots$  ),
- incremental method:  
current hypothesis  $h$  and new observation  $o$  yield next hypothesis by  $h := h + \lambda o$ ,  
where  $\lambda$  is given by the user,
- predicts sales of  $n$ -next week by last  $h$ .



# Transformations

- Obtaining many vectors from one series by sliding windows

$L_{H5} \ i:t_1 \ a_1 \ \dots \ t_w \ a_w$

move window of size  $w$  by  $m$  steps

Dm1_Item1_1	1	4...	5	7
Dm1_Item1_2	2	4...	6	8
...				
Dm1_Item1_100	100	6...	104	9
...				
...				
Dm20_Item50_100	100	12..	104	16



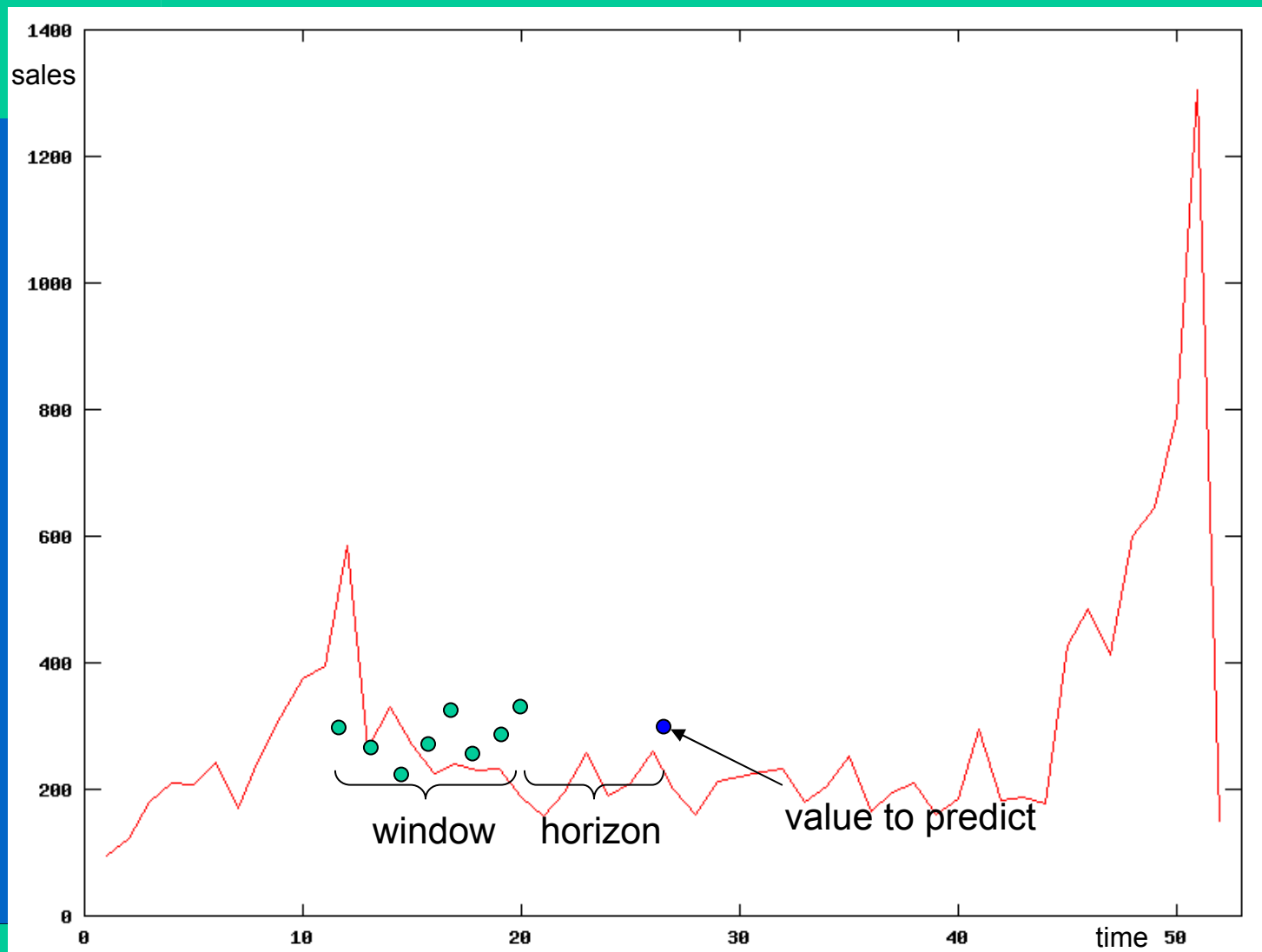
# SVM in the Regression Mode

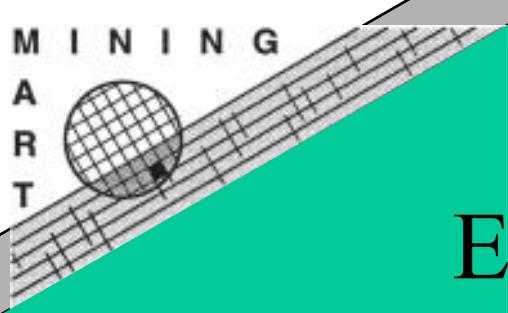
- Multiple learning:  
for each shop and each item, the support vector machine learned a function which is then used for prediction.
- Asymmetric loss:
  - underestimation was multiplied by 20,  
i.e. 3 sales too few predicted -- 60 loss
  - overestimation was counted as it is,  
i.e. 3 sales too much predicted -- 3 loss

(Stefan Rüping 1999)



# Article 766933 (bag?)



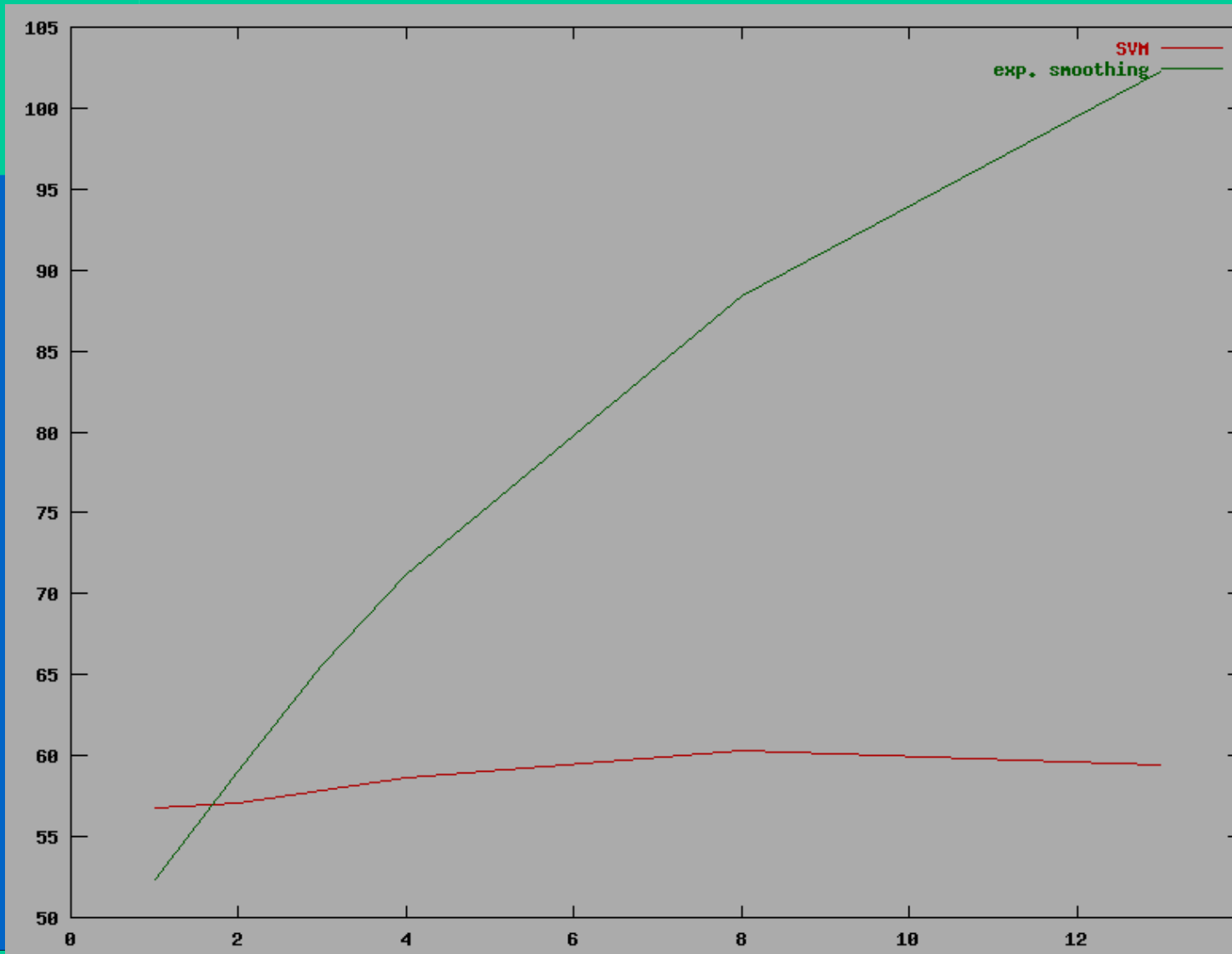


# Comparison with Exponential Smoothing

horizon	SVM	exp. smoothing
1	56.764	52.40
2	57.044	59.04
3	57.855	65.62
4	58.670	71.21
8	60.286	88.44
13	59.475	102.24

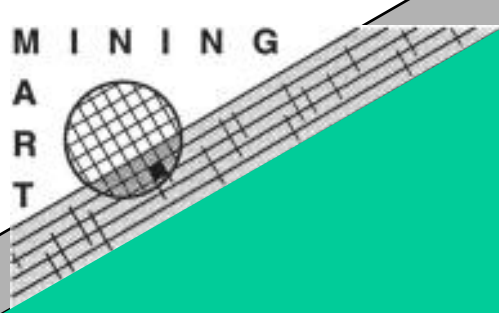


loss



horizon





# Learning Relations

- Are there typical sequences that are valid for all items?  
Preprocessing for rule learning about abstract episodes:

- Summarizing values within time intervals

$$L_{E1'}: i: t_1 a_1 \dots t_k a_k \Rightarrow$$

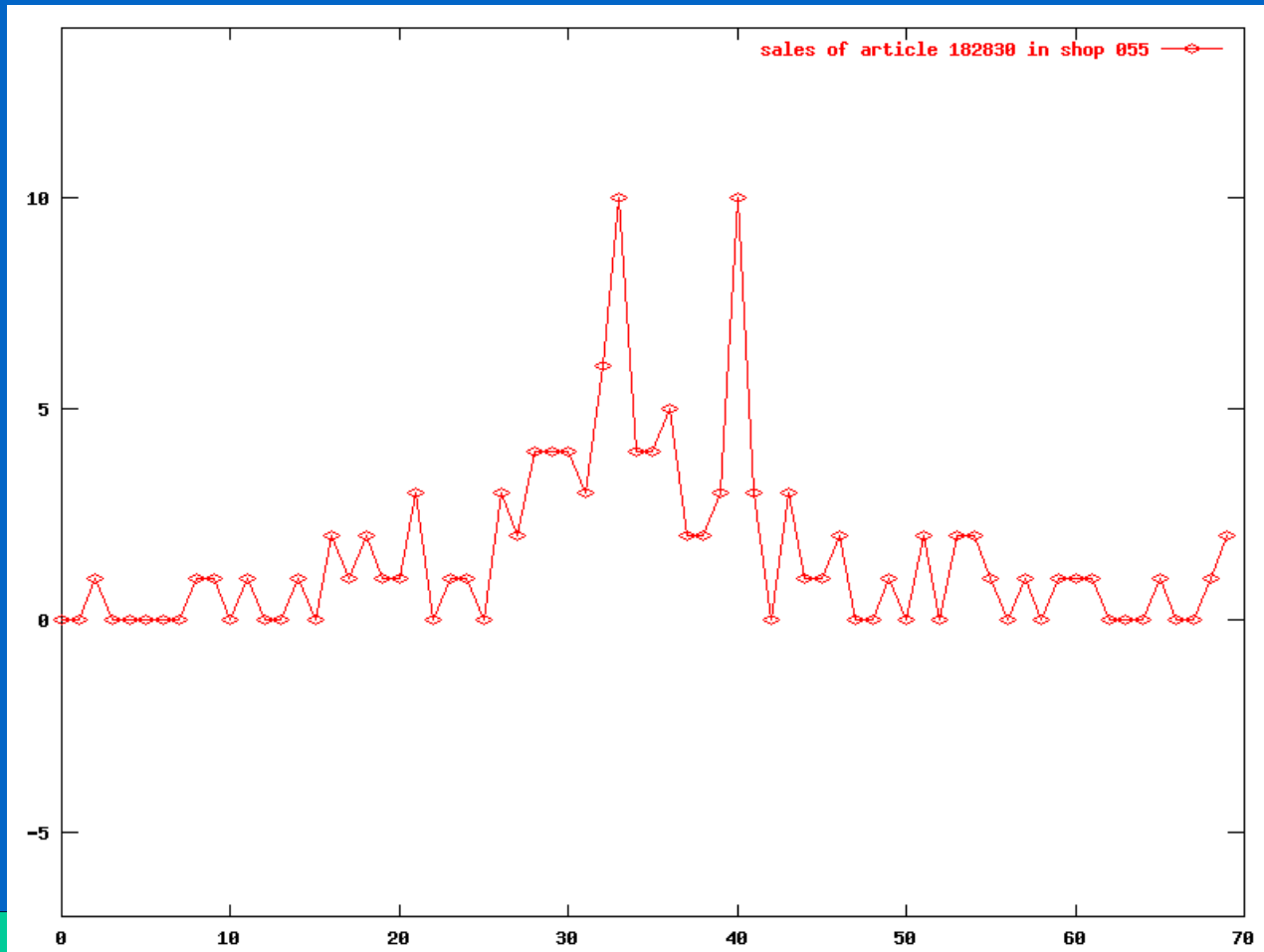
$$L_{H6}: i: [t_1, t_w] f(a_1, \dots, a_w), \dots, [t_m, t_{m+w}] g(a_1, \dots, a_w)$$

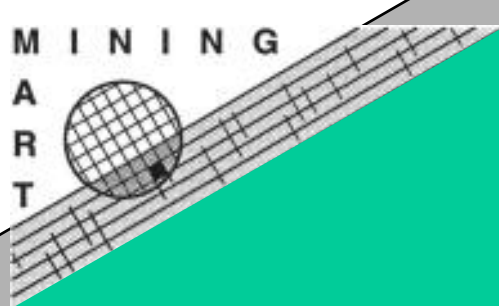
- Abstraction into classes of gradients valid for a time interval  $\Rightarrow$

$$L_{H2}: Label_j [t_1, t_w], \dots, Label_l [t_m, t_{m+w}]$$

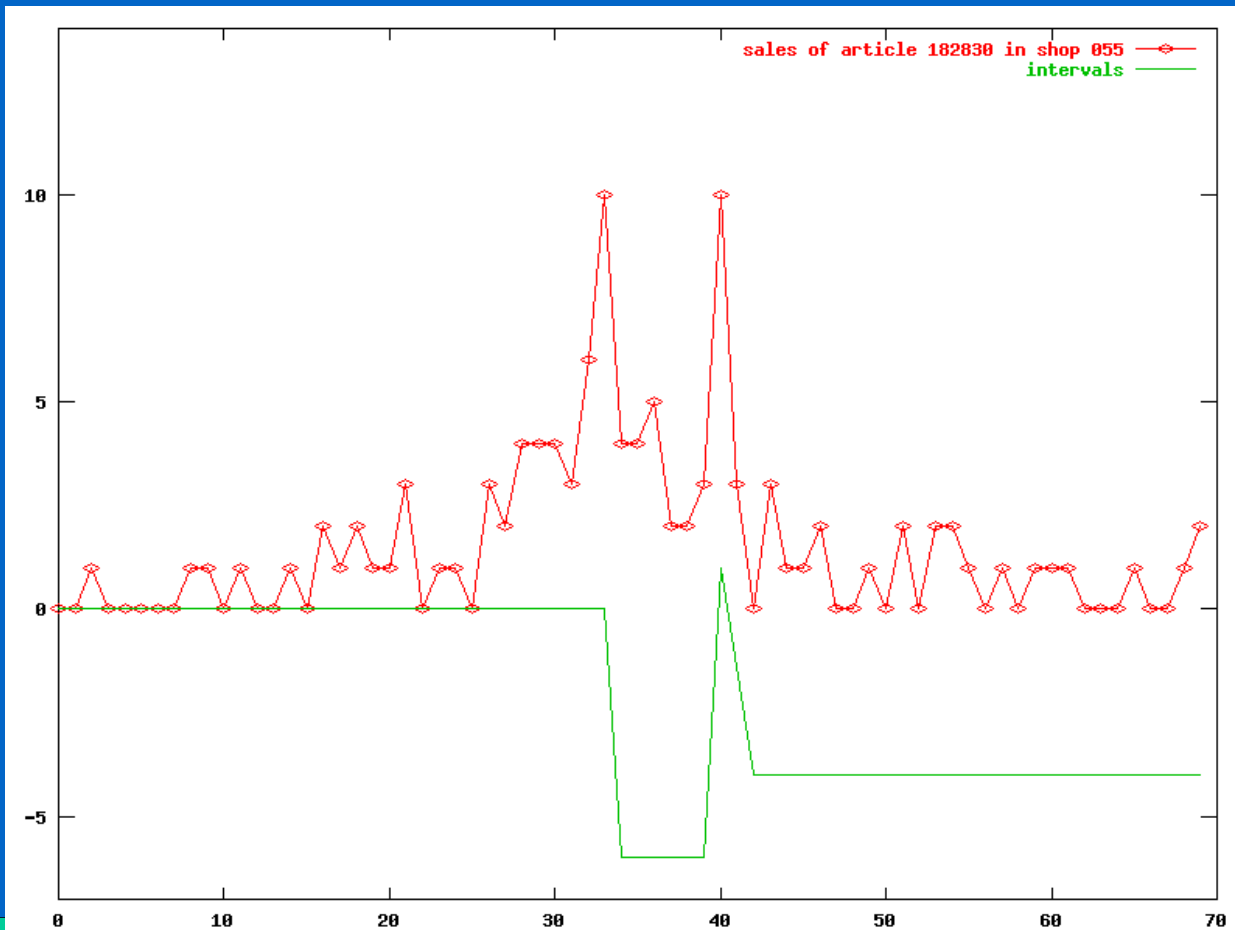


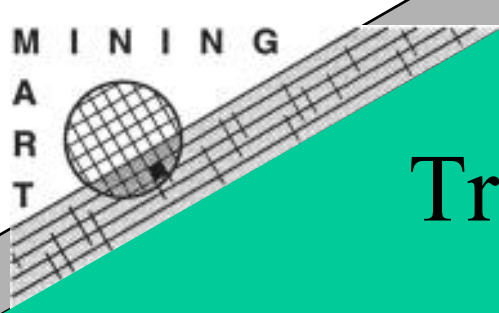
# Sales of Item 182830 in Shop 55





# Summarizing Sales





# Transformation into Facts

$L_{E4}$ :

stable(182830,1,33,0).

decreasing(182830, 33,34,-6).

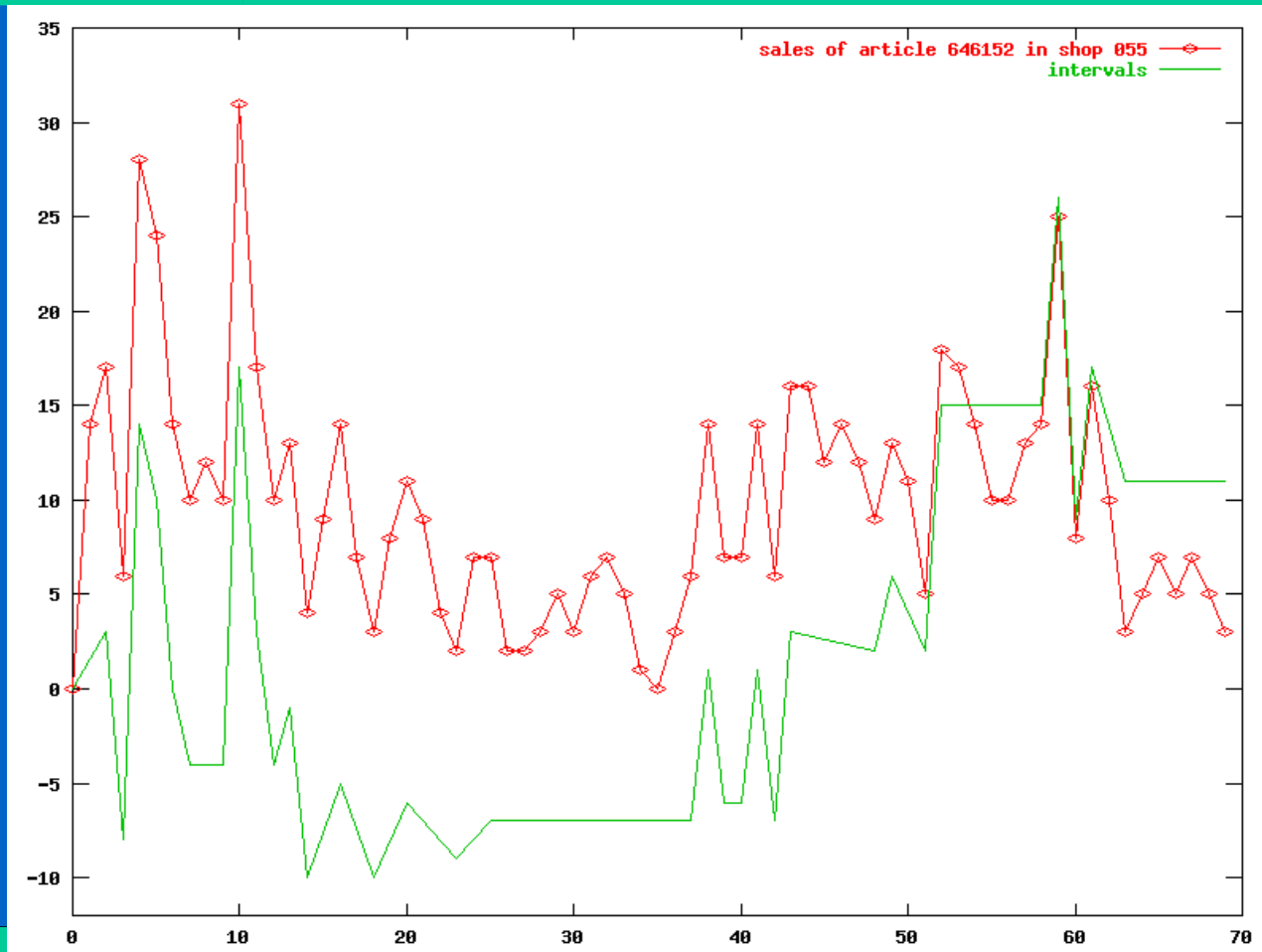
stable(182830, 34, 39,0).

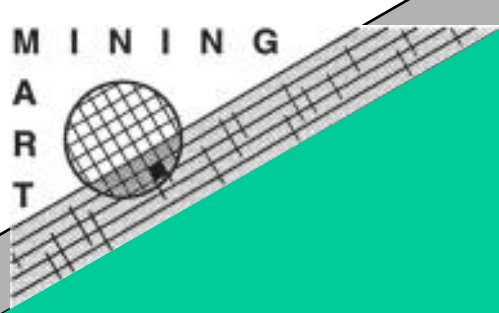
increasing(182830, 39, 40,7).

decreasing(182830, 40, 42,-5).

stable(182830, 42,108,0).

# Summarizing Item 646152 in Shop 55

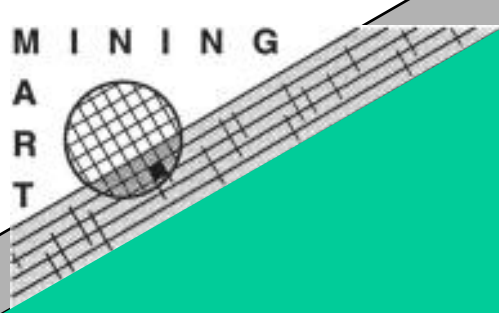




# Corresponding Facts

increasing(646152,1,2,3).  
decreasing(646152,2,3,-11).  
increasingPeak(646152,3,4,22).  
...  
stable(646152, 25,37,0).  
increasing(646152, 37, 38, 8).  
decreasing(646152, 38, 39, -7).  
stable(646152, 39,40, 0).  
increasing(646152, 40, 41,7).  
decreasing(646152, 41, 42,-8).  
increasing(646152, 42, 43,10).  
stable(646152, 43, 48,-1).

small time intervals



# Rule Learning

- Transformations into facts:

$$L_{E4}: p(I, T_b, T_e, A_r, \dots, A_s)$$

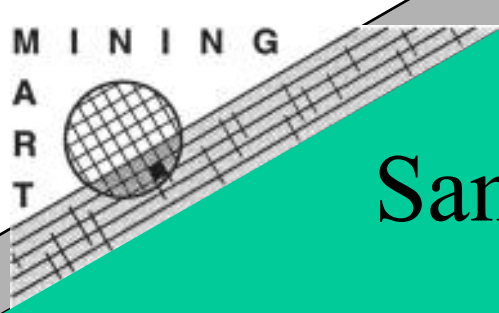
- Rules about sequences:

$$p_1(I, T_b, T_e, A_r), p_2(I, T_e, T_{e2}, A_s) \rightarrow p_3(I, T_{e2}, T_{e3}, A_t)$$

- results for sequences of sales trends:

$$\text{increasing (Item, } T_b, T_e) \rightarrow \text{decreasing (Item, } T_e, T_{e2})$$

$$\text{increasing (Item, } T_b, T_e), \text{ decreasing (Item, } T_e, T_{e2}) \rightarrow \text{stable (Item, } T_{e2}, T_{e3})$$



# Same Data -- Several Cases

- Find seasons or cycles in all sales  
aggregation of items and shops, description of the curve as a function
- Predict sales of a particular item in a particular shop  
multivariate to univariate, multiple exponential smoothing OR  
multivariate to univariate, sliding windows, multiple learning with SVM
- Find relations between trends that are valid for all sales  
in all shops  
summarizing, transformation into facts, rule learning





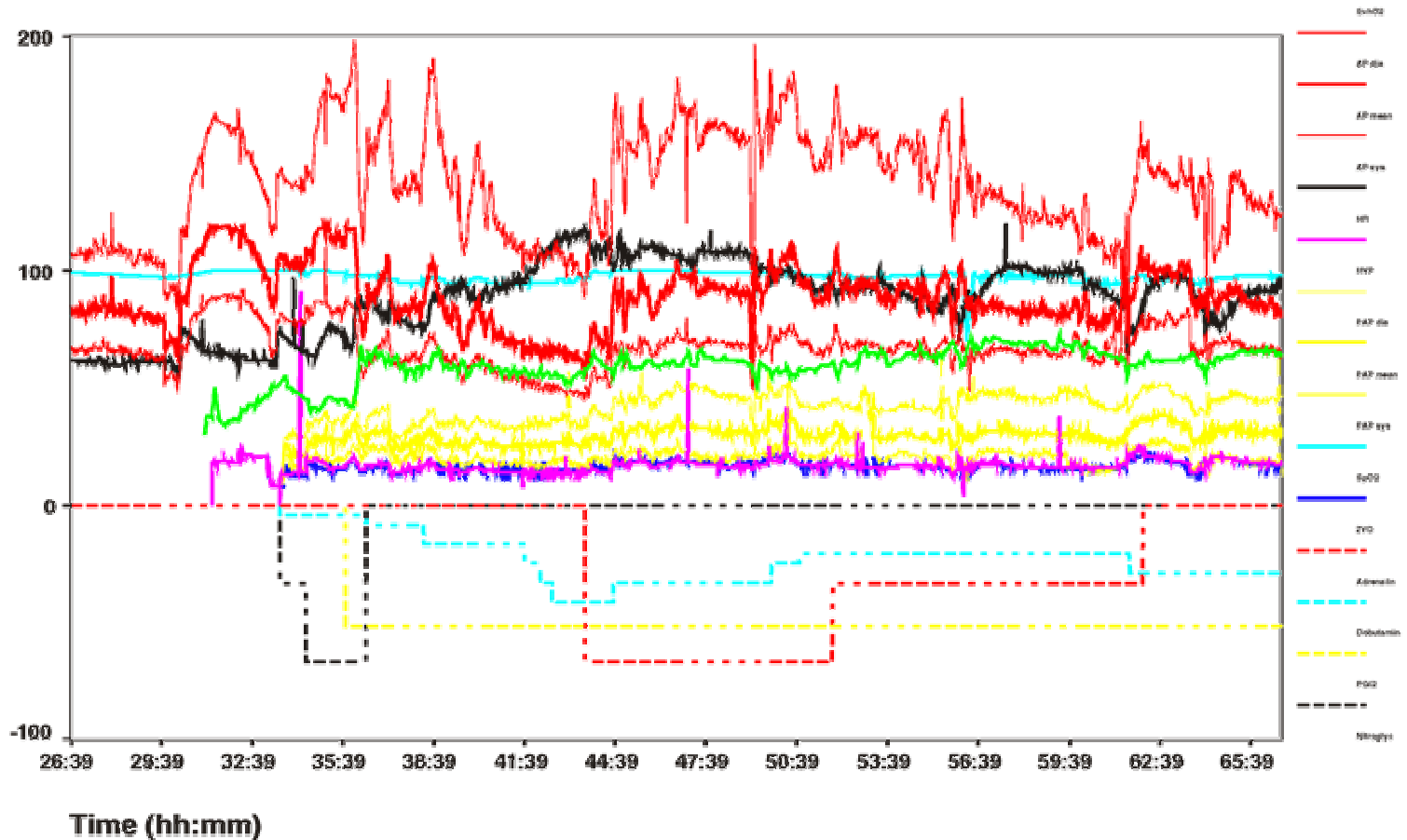
# Applications in Intensive Care

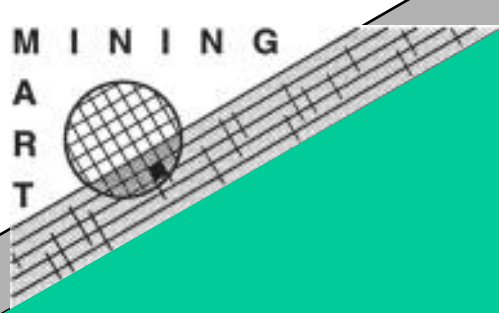
- On-line monitoring of intensive care patients
- high-dimensional data about patient and medication
- measured every minute
- stored in the Emtec database of patient records ---
- learning when to intervene in which way.



# Patient G.C., male, 60 years old

## Hemihepatektomie right





# The Data

$LE_{DB2}$

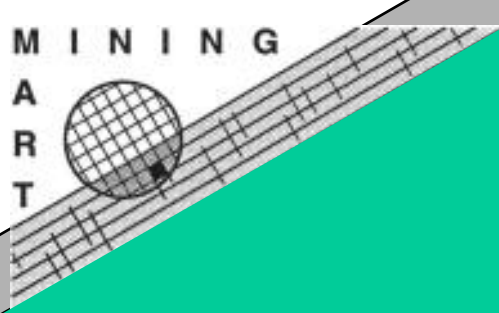
$i_1$	$t_1$	$a_{1_1}$	...	$a_{1_k}$
$i_1$	$t_2$	$a_{2_1}$	...	$a_{2_k}$
...				

$i_2$

$t_1$	$a_{1_1}$	...	$a_{1_k}$
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...

set of rows for each patient:  
1 row for each minute



# Transformations

- Chaining database rows

$$i_1: t_1 a_{1_1} \dots a_{1_k}, t_2 a_{2_1} \dots a_{2_k}, \dots$$

- Multivariate to univariate

$$i_1: t_1 a_1, t_2 a_1 \dots t_m a_1$$

$$i_1: t_1 a_2, t_2 a_2 \dots t_m a_2$$

...

- Detecting level changes

# Phase State Analysis

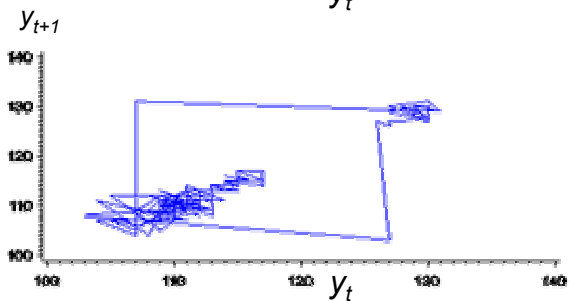
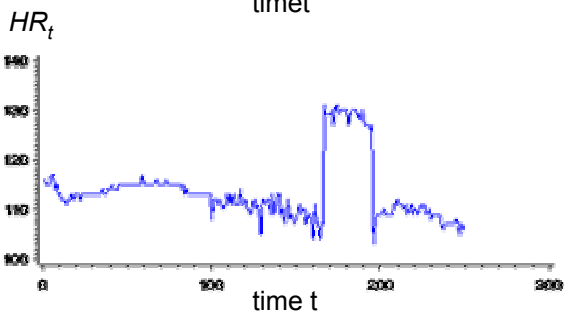
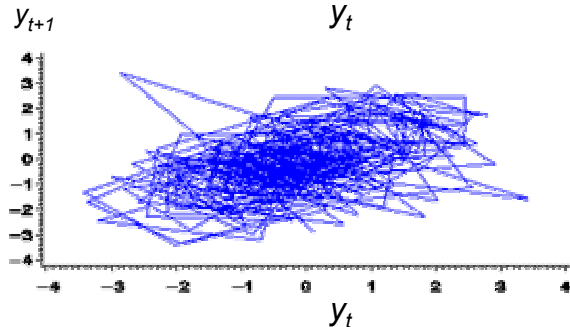
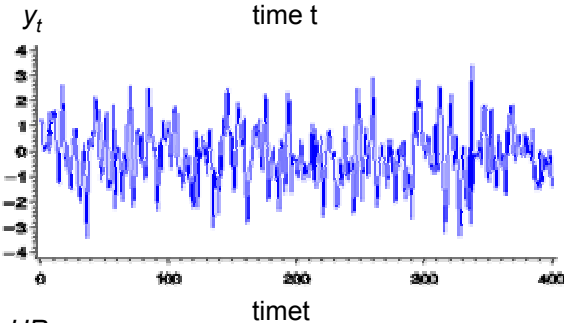
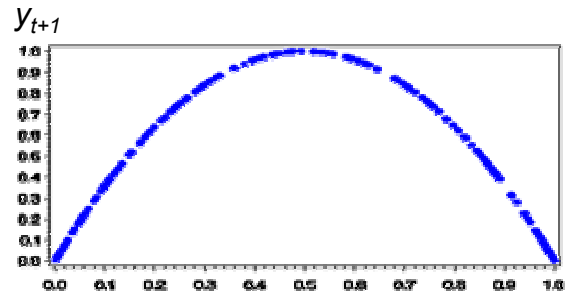
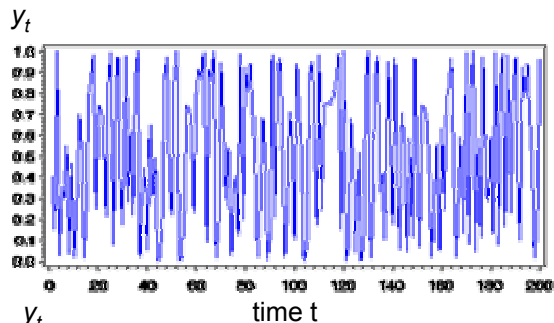
Time series  $y_1, \dots, y_N$

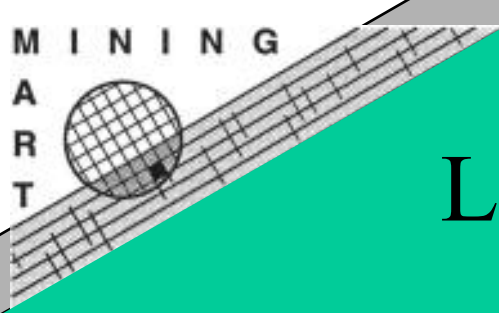
Phase state  $\check{y}_t = (y_t, y_{t+1})$

Deterministic process

AR(1)-process with outlier (AO)

Heart rate





# Level Change Detection

level\_change(pat4999, 50, 112, hr, up)

level\_change(pat4999, 112, 164, hr, down)

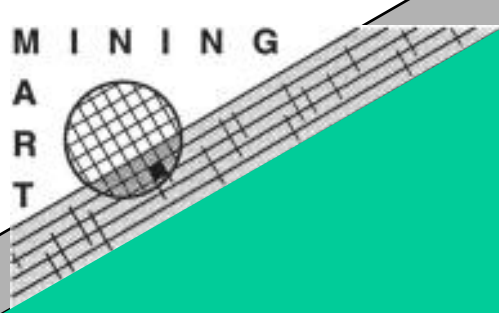
level\_change(pat4999, 10, 74, art, constant)

level\_change(pat4999, 74, 110, art, down)

## Computed Feature

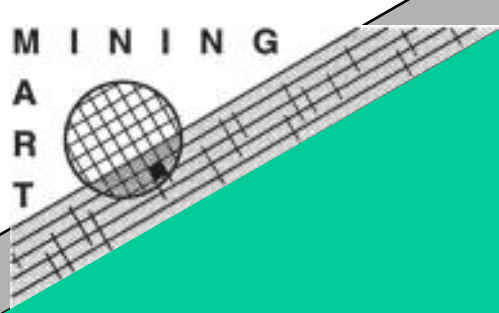
Comparing norm values for a vital sign and its mean in a time interval ( $\pm$  standard deviation):

deviation(pat4999, 10, 74, art, up)



# Learning Task

Are there valid rules  
for all multivariate time series,  
such that therapeutical interventions follow from a  
patient's state?



# Relational Learning

Given patient records in the form of facts:

- deviations -- time intervals
- therapeutical interventions -- time points
- types of vital signs (group1: hr, swi, co; group2: art, vr)

Learn rules about interventions:

group1(V), deviation(P, T1, T2, V, Dir)

→noradrenaline(P, T2, Dir)





# The Chain of Preprocessing Steps

$E_{DB2}$  :

$i_1: t_1 a_{11} \dots a_{1k}$   
 $i_2: t_2 a_{21} \dots a_{2k}$   
 $\dots$   
 $i_n: t_1 a_{11} \dots a_{1k}$

chaining  
db rows

$i_1: t_1 a_{11} \dots a_{k1} t_2 a_{12}$   
 $\dots a_{k2} \dots$   
 $i_2: t_1 a_{11} \dots a_{k1} t_2 a_{12}$   
 $\dots a_{k2} \dots$

multi- to  
univariate

$i_1: t_1 a_{11} t_2 a_{12}$   
 $i_1: t_1 a_{21} t_2 a_{22}$   
 $\dots$

level  
changes

$(i_1, t_i, t_j, A)$   
 $\dots$

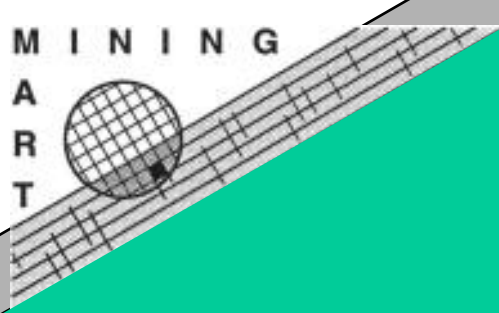


relational learning

$p_1(I, T_i, T_j, A, D), p_2(I, T_j, T_k, A, D)$   
 $\rightarrow p_3(I, T_k, Dir)$

computed  
feature

$(i_1, t_i, t_j, A, D)$



# Disregarding Time

Given a patient's state at time  $t_i$ ,

learn whether and how to intervene at  $t_{i+1}$

Transformations:

- Selection of time points where an intervention was done
- Multiple to binary class  
for each drug, form the concepts `drug_up`, `drug_down`
- Multiple learning for each binary class resulting in classifiers for each drug and direction of dose change (`SVM_light`)

# The Chain of Preprocessing Steps

$E_{DB2}$  :

$i_1: t_1 a_{1_1} \dots a_{1_k}$   
 $i_2: t_2 a_{2_1} \dots a_{2_k}$   
 $\dots$   
 $i_n: t_n a_{n_1} \dots a_{n_k}$

Select time points  
with interventions

$i_1: t_i a_{1_i} \dots a_{k_i}$   
 $i_2: t_j a_{1_j} \dots a_{k_j}$   
 $\dots$

Form  
binary classes

$a_{1\_up\_+}: a_2 \dots a_k$   
 $\dots$   
 $\bar{a}_{1\_up\_+}: a_2 \dots a_k$   
 $\dots$   
 $a_{6\_down\_+}: a_2 \dots a_k$   
 $a_{6\_down\_}: a_2 \dots a_k$

Learning classifiers using SVM\_light

$a_{1\_up\_+}: w_2 a_2 \dots w_k a_k$   
 $\dots$   
 $a_{6\_down\_+}: w_2 a_2 \dots w_k a_k$



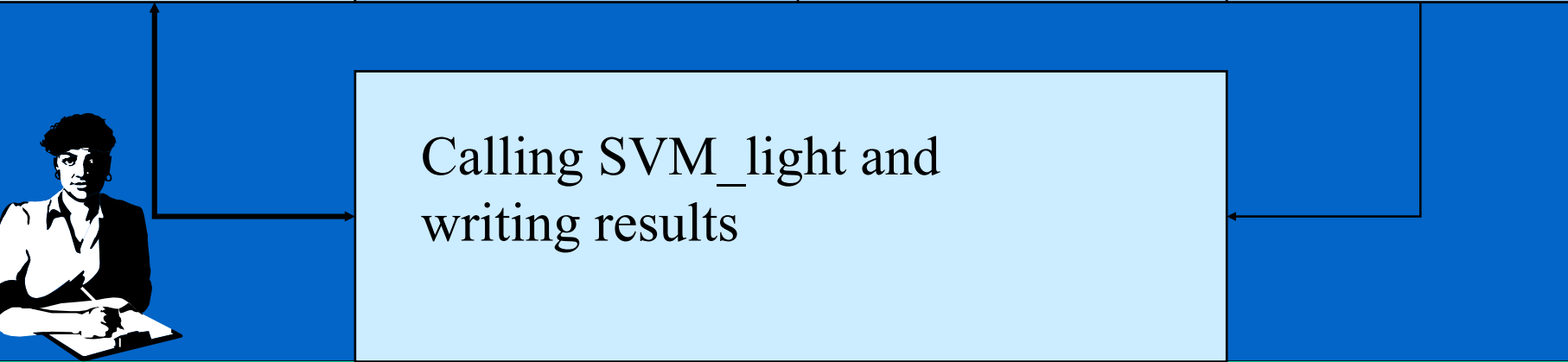


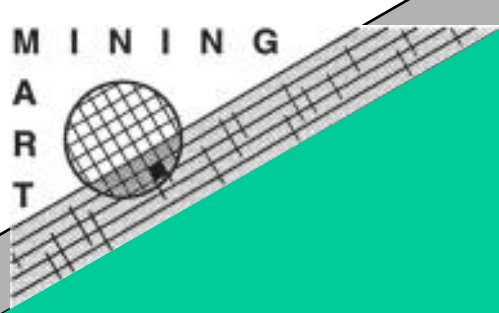
# Same Data -- Several Cases

- Find time relations that express therapy protocols  
chaining db rows, multivariate to univariate, level changes, deviations, RDT
- Predict intervention for a particular drug  
select time points, multiple to binary class, SVM\_light

# Behind the Boxes

Db schema indicating time attribute(s), granularity,...	Select statement in abstract form, instantiated by db schema	Creating views in abstract form, instantiated by db schema and learning task	Syntactic transformation for SVM  Multiple learning contro
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# Summary of Cases Involving Time

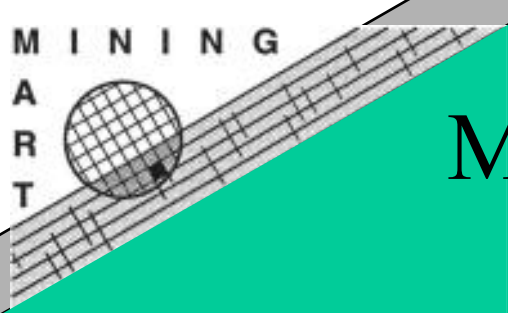
Obj schema  
indicating time  
attribute(s), their  
granularity,  
uniformity,  
starting point

Syntactic  
transformations  
 $L_{E1}$   
...  
 $L_{E4}$

Sliding windows  
Summarizing windows  
Level changes

Relational learning (RDT)  
SVM\_light for classification  
SVM for regression  
Exponential smoothing





# MiningMart Approach to the Representation Race

- Manager -- end-user knows about the business case
- Database manager knows about the data
- Case designer -- power-user expert in KDD
- Developer supplies (learning) operators



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