

Exploratory Spatial Data Analysis

Part IV Computationally enhanced visualisation

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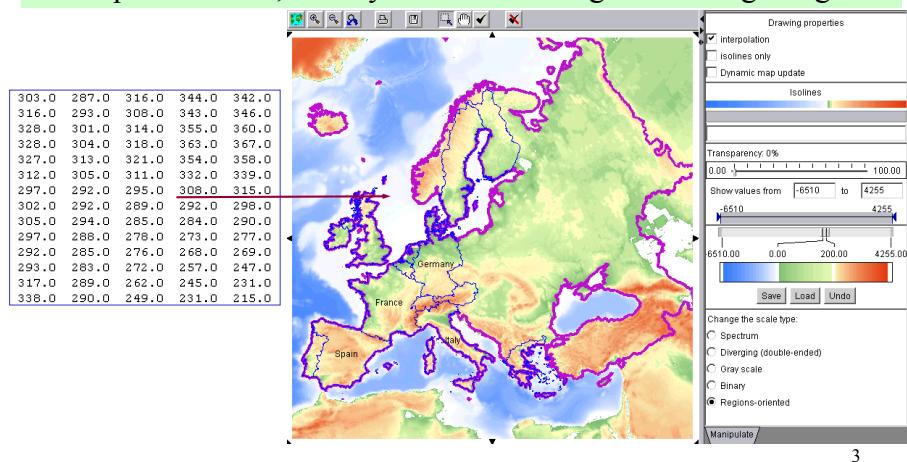
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Grid Data

Typically, represent continuous phenomena. Values are measured at sample locations, usually in nodes of a regular rectangular grid.



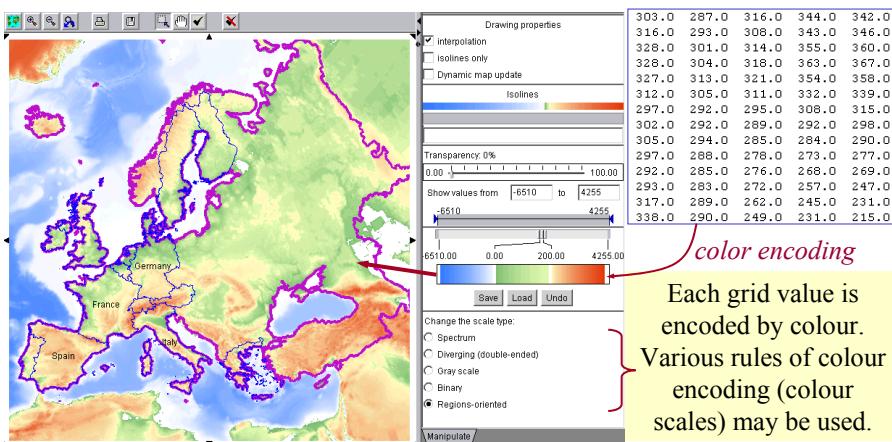
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Grid Data Properties

- One grid contains values of a single attribute.
- The values refer to regularly spaced locations or uniform rectangular cells rather than to any real spatial objects or to administrative units.
- Values between grid nodes are derived by means of interpolation.

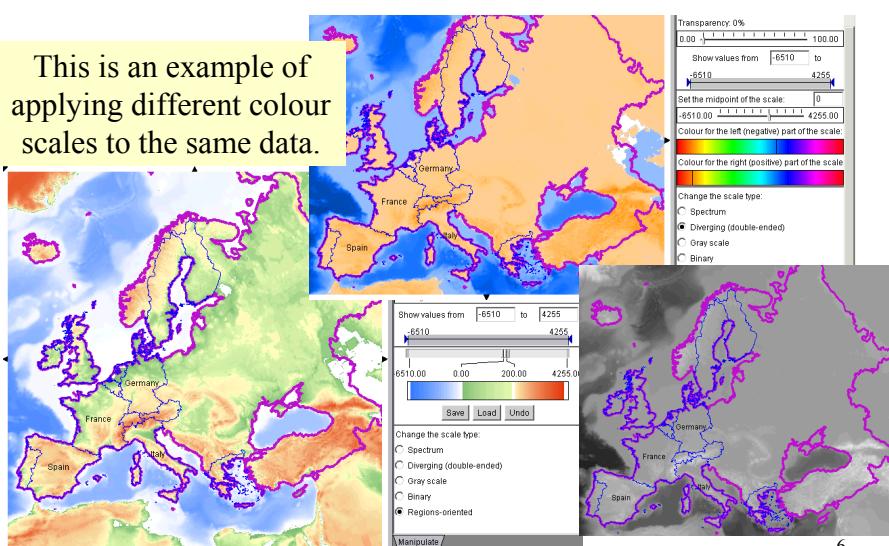
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Grid Data Visualisation (1)



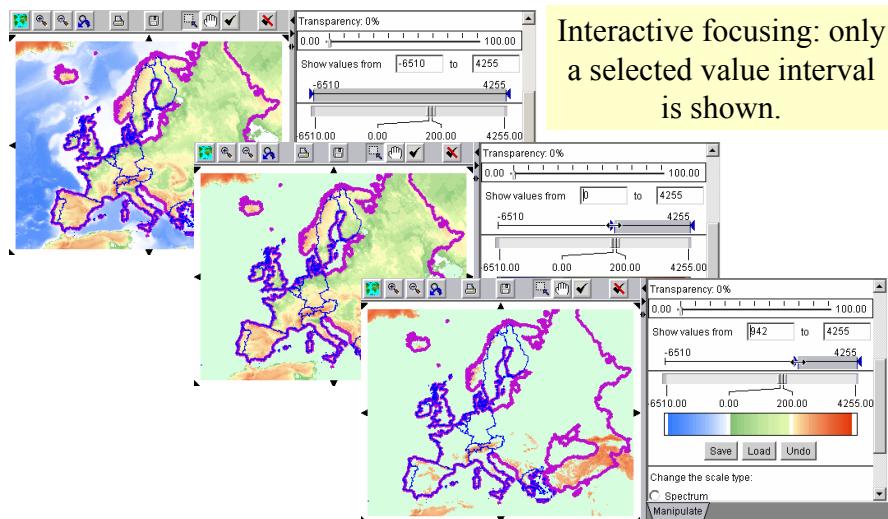
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Grid Data Visualisation (2)



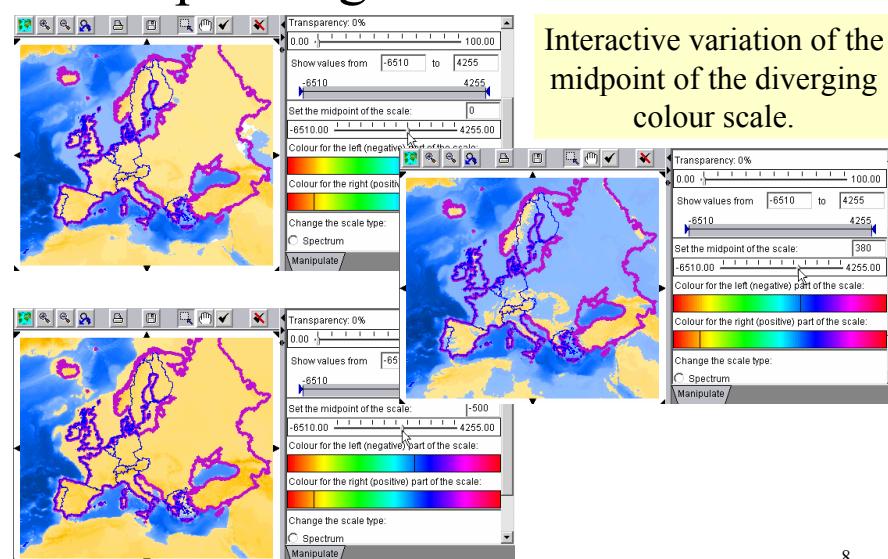
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Manipulating Grid Visualisation 1



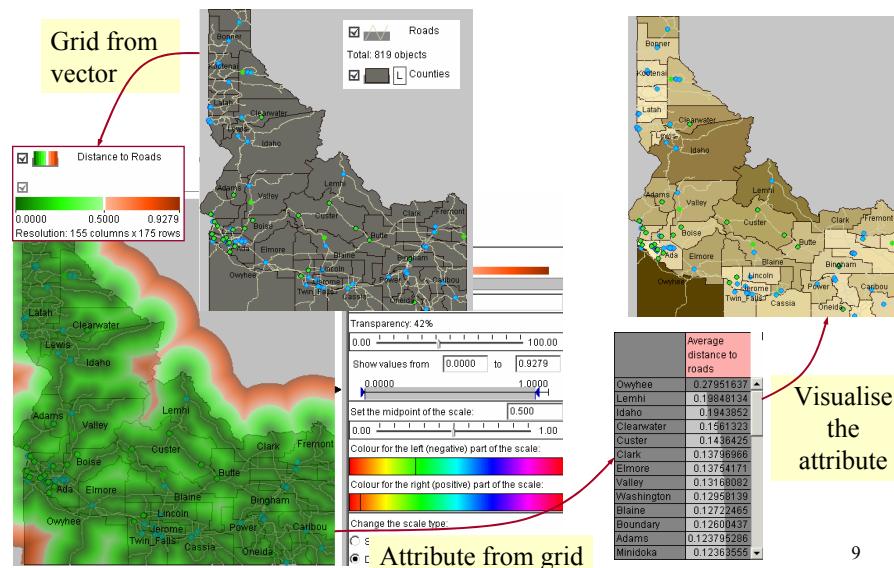
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Manipulating Grid Visualisation 2



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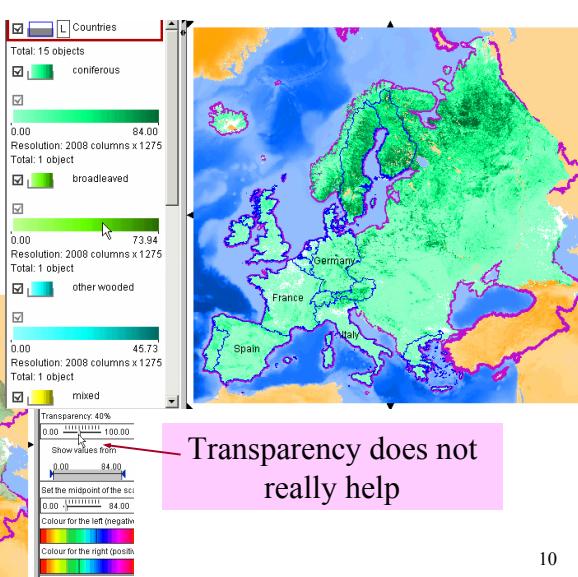
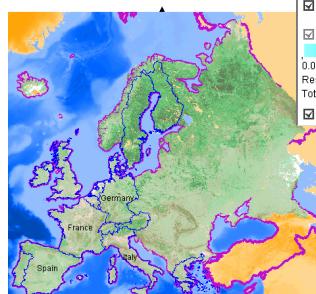
Use of Grids for Data Derivation



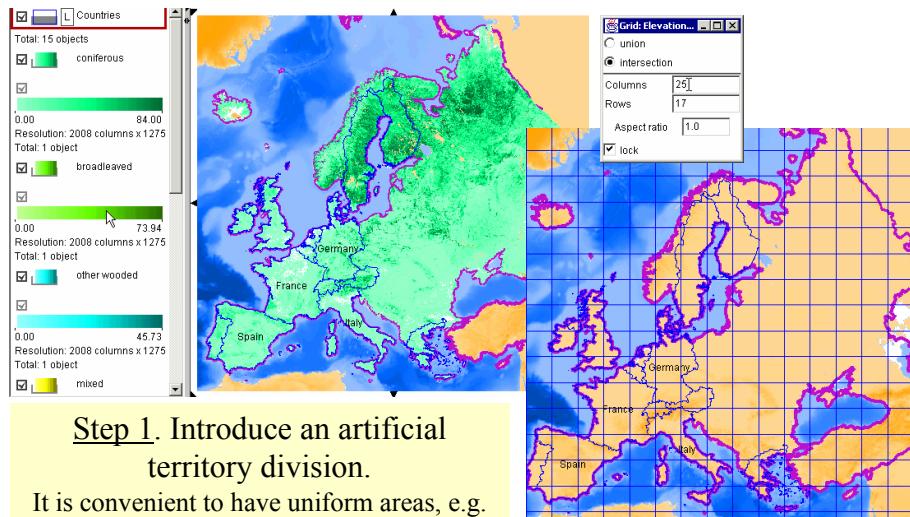
Some Problems with Grids...

How to visualise and analyse multiple grids?

We can see only the topmost grid layer...

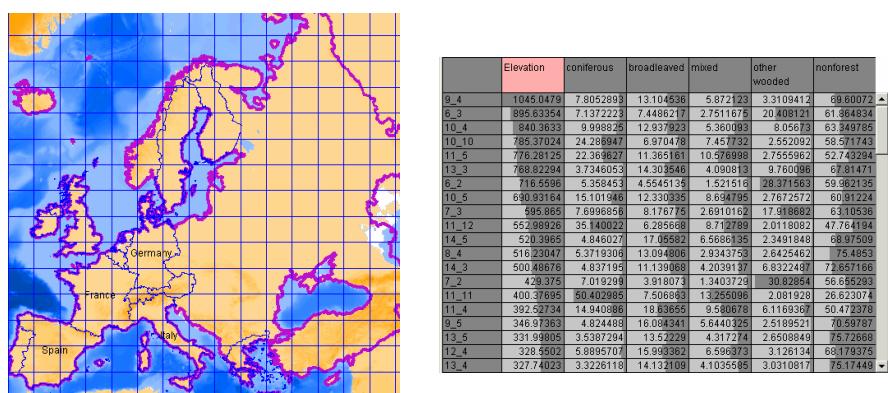


Interactive Grid-Table Bridge (1)



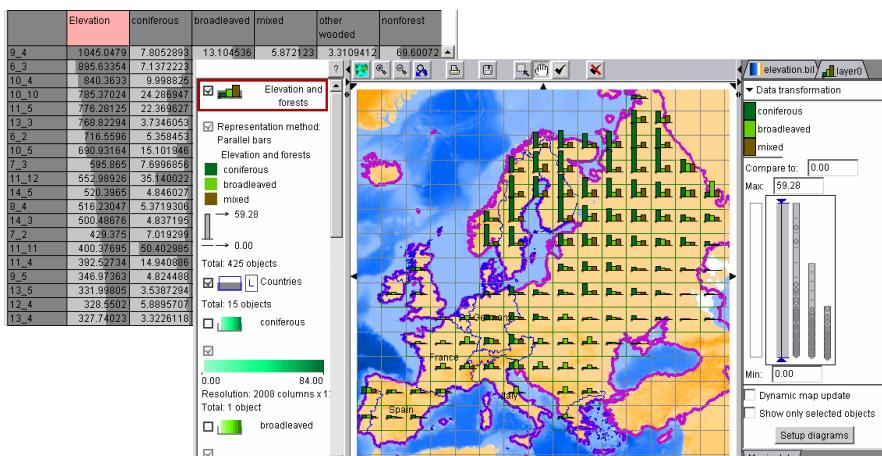
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Interactive Grid-Table Bridge (2)



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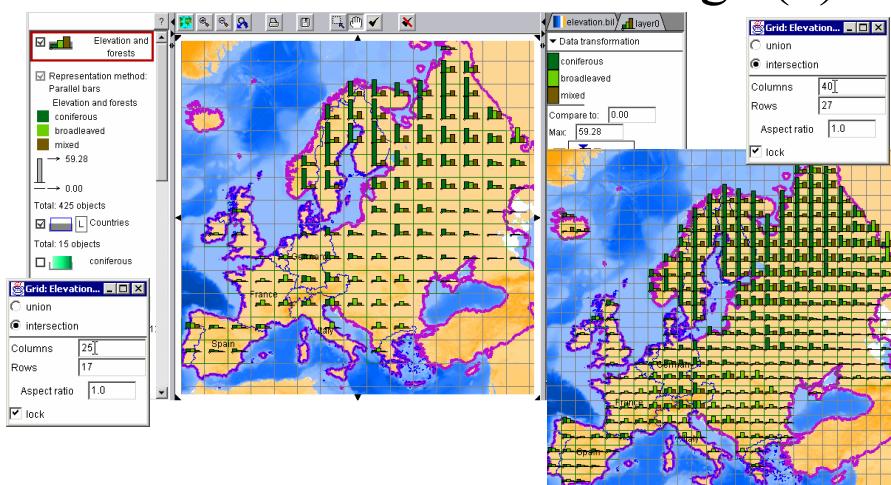
Interactive Grid-Table Bridge (3)



Step 3. Visualise and analyse the resulting attributes as usual

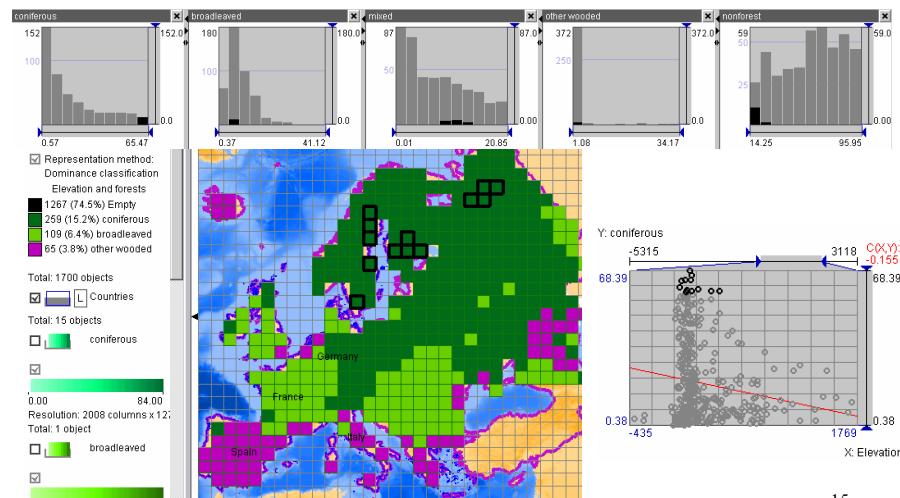
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Interactive Grid-Table Bridge (4)



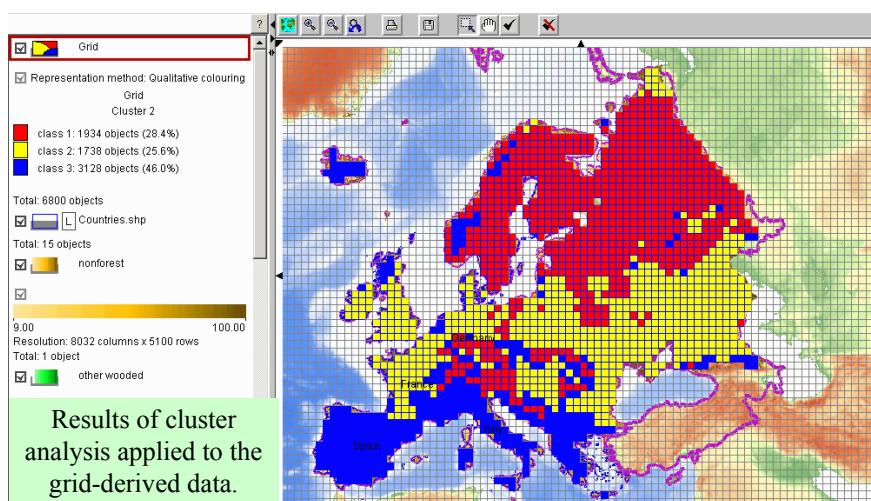
The sizes of the rectangles (grid-table bridge resolution) can be interactively changed. The attributes are automatically re-computed and the displays updated.

Further Possibilities for Analysis of Grid-Derived Attributes



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Yet More Analysis: Data Mining



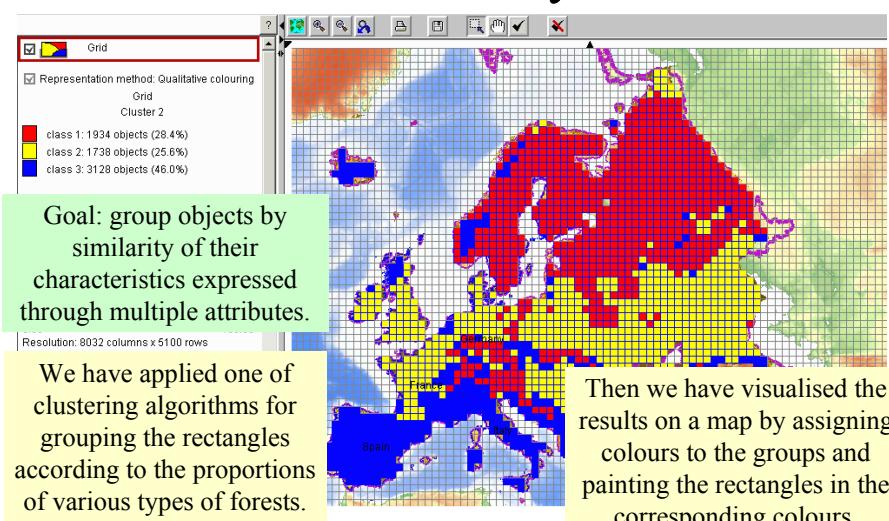
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EDA vs. Data Mining

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Goal: revealing unknowns in data• Approach: help a human analyst by means of<ul style="list-style-type: none">– Data visualisation– High user interaction | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Goal: revealing unknowns in data• Approach: automatic extraction of patterns, rules, dependencies by means of<ul style="list-style-type: none">– Mathematics-based methods <p>But: a human analyst needs to interpret the results</p> |
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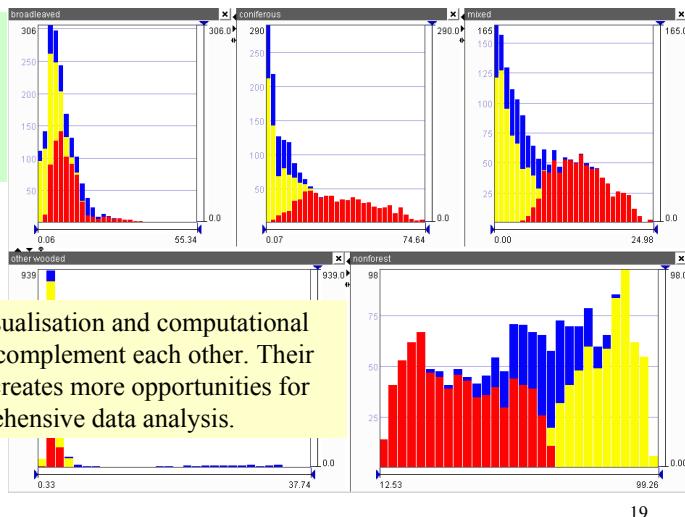
Cluster Analysis



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Visualisation and Interpretation of Cluster Analysis Results

Visualisation
helps us to
understand how
the groups are
built.



In general, visualisation and computational methods well complement each other. Their combination creates more opportunities for comprehensive data analysis.

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Summary

This lecture was supposed to

- introduce some computational techniques that can effectively complement data visualisation
- show that data transformation into another form (e.g. grid → table) may bring new opportunities for analysis
- acquaint with the discipline of data mining – automated exploration of data by means of mathematical methods

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