Knowledge Discovery Interest Group

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KD-IG session@2022SpringInterOp

- Three interesting, different talks
 - R. Martinez-Galarza: X-ray datasets: A Machine Learning Perspective
 Application of ML methods to both tabulated properties of Chandra X-ray sources and data product to classify and select interesting/rare.
 - P. Skoda: The Role of VO Technology in Astronomical Machine Learning
 A comprehensive review of how the VO facilitate ML-based research and and the areas where improvements is needed.
 - Y. Wu: Classification of Galaxy Spectra based on Convolutional Neural Network
 Application of CNN to the problem of the spectroscopic classification of galaxies.

Future topics of discussion from KD-IG session

- What needs to be done to make existing and future science platforms MLready? Accessing both tabular data and data products is a key requirement for most KD applications, especially in high-energy astrophysics.
- Should the standardization and normalization of astronomical data be standardized? Is it worth pursuing for massive data access tasks? If so, what methods should be implemented? What level of documentation should be provided for reproducibility purpose?
- Training sets, training sets.... training sets. The potential of supervised methods depends critically on availability and quality of labels for training sets.

Getting involved

- Chair: R. D'Abrusco (rdabrusc@cfa.harvard.edu)
- ⊕ Vice-chair: -
- IG webpage: https://wiki.ivoa.net/twiki/bin/view/IVOA/IvoaKDD

Staying in touch

- ⊕ E-mail: kdd@ivoa.net
- ⊕ Slack: IVOA#kdd
- In the inter-InterOps periods, we'll call running thematic meetings, involving presence of representative from other WGs/IGs as needed, on specific themes chosen by the IG.