



## Data Mining

Data Analytics

Data Mining	Data Analytics
Retrospective	Prospective
Opportunistic	Designed
Cause/Effect free	Causal information
Pattern seeking	Insight seeking



# Analytics are 'theory' driven

#### Flavours of Analytics D What should we do? А Prescriptive Т Action А When and what? Predictive R Ε Why? Q U Diagnostic What? R Е Description Descriptive D

COMPLEXITY



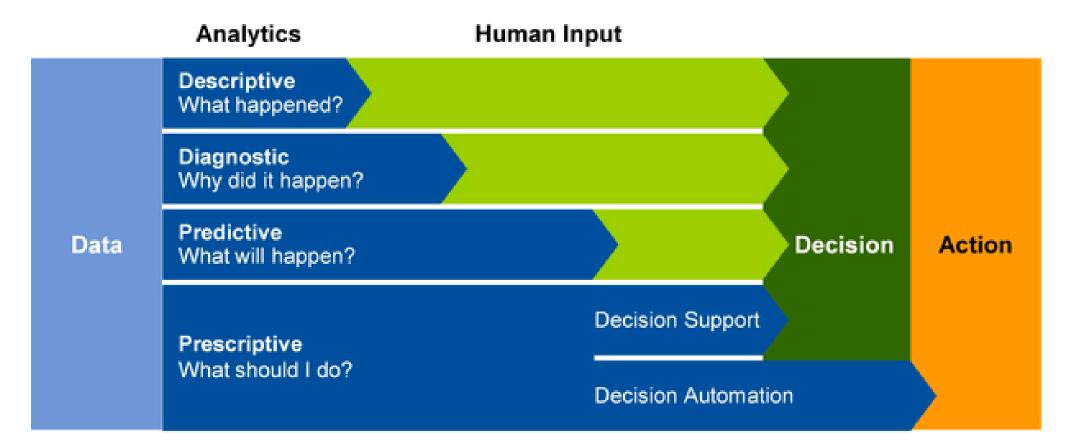
## What's happening with in each approach?

Descriptive Analytics: Counts, averages, %, min/max Understand what happened in past

Predictive Analytics: y=mx + b Knowing something sooner Early warning system

Prescriptive Analytics: IF-THEN-ELSE Adjustment on the fly Supports Individualization







# **Operational Steps**



# What is the purpose?



#### Examples...

Understand processes within the curriculum

Experiences & outcomes of students

Evaluate elements or the whole intervention

Provide insight on future policy or evaluate policy change



# 1. What data will you need?

Existing sources? Additional sources? New data collection?

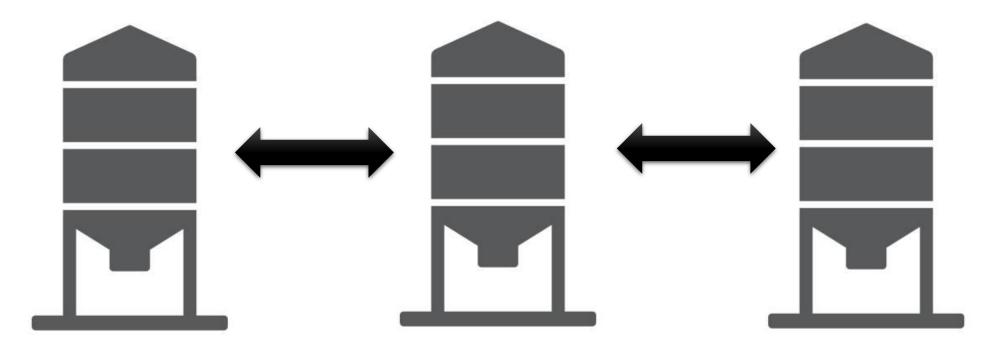
#### Issues to consider

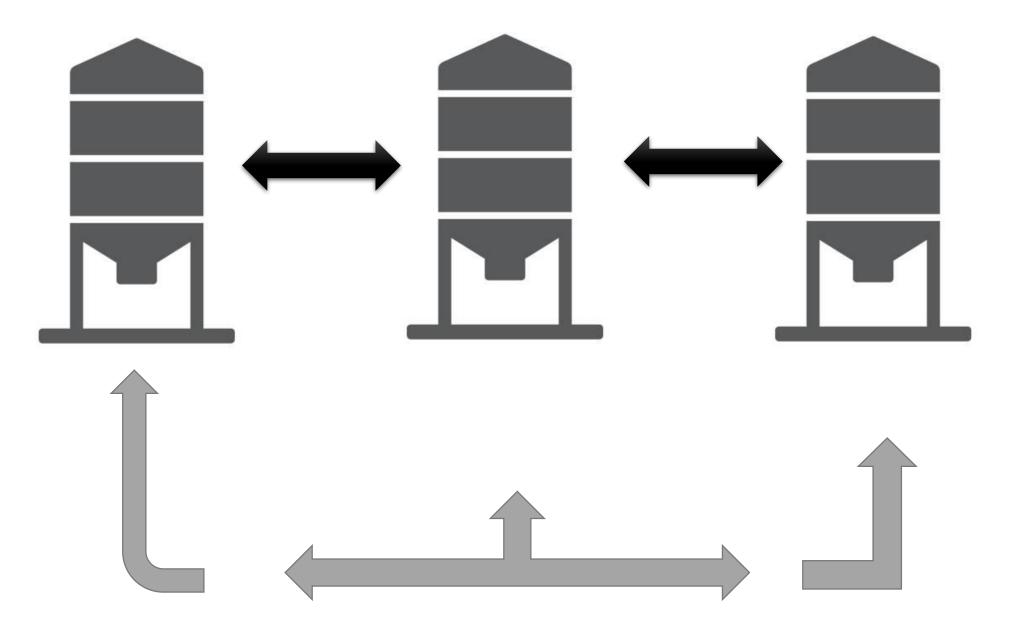
Data availability

Data quality

Data cleaning

Data security







## Some challenges

Connecting two different datasets

Data stored across databases without common links

Version control – old data won't speak to new data

Data is available but export requires input from the vendor and changes to software



# New data on the block?



# 2. What type of 'analysis' is required? What type of visualization is required?

## Varied levels of complexity

Means and proportions

Associative analyses

Prediction models

Machine-learning and neural networks

# This is not as hard as you might think...

#### Visualization

Does it need to be visualized for your audience?

What's the signal you need to 'see'?

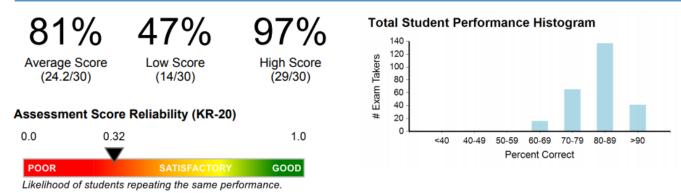
Interactive or static?

#### SUMMARY REPORT

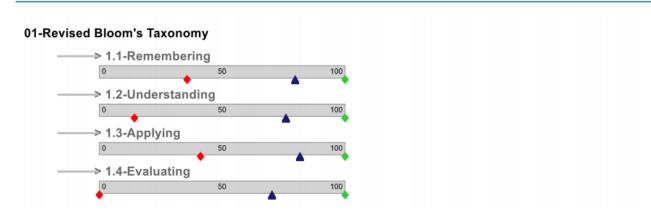
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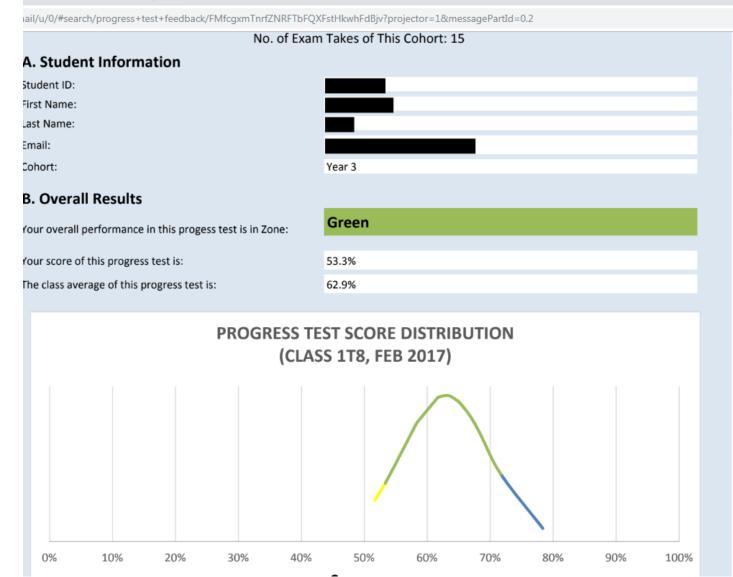
#### **ASSESSMENT PERFORMANCE**



Assessment Analysis: Tests with reliabilities below .50 should be used with skepticism.



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# 3. Interpretation

#### Results vs. Conclusions

Theory

Stakeholders

Expertise

Validation

# Activity: Applying to your context

# Report back:

- 1. What are your resources?
- 2. What are your barriers?
- 3. What do we need to overcome them?