

# Clustering Data with Oracle Data Mining and Oracle Business Intelligence

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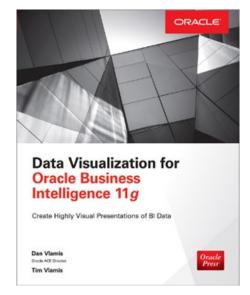
- Vlamis Software founded in 1992 in Kansas City, Missouri
- Developed 200+ Oracle BI and analytics systems
- Specializes in Oracle-based:
  - Enterprise Business Intelligence & Analytics
  - Analytic Warehousing
  - Data Mining and Predictive Analytics
  - Data Visualization
- Multiple Oracle ACEs, consultants average 15+ years
- <u>www.vlamis.com</u> (blog, papers, newsletters, services)
- Co-authors of book "Data Visualization for OBI 11g"
- Co-author of book "Oracle Essbase & Oracle OLAP"
- Oracle University Partner
- Oracle Gold Partner





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#### **Vice President & Analytics Strategist**

- 30+ years in business modeling and valuation, forecasting, and scenario analyses
- Instructor for Oracle University's Predictive Analytics, Data Mining Techniques and Oracle R Enterprise Essentials Courses
- Professional Certified Marketer (PCM) from AMA
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#### **Presentation Agenda**

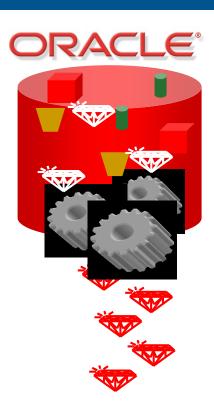
- Background on Data Mining and Oracle Advanced Analytics
- What is clustering?
- Use cases for clustering
- Market Segmentation
- Three different algorithms
- Your questions and comments at all times!





#### What is Data Mining?

- Automatically sifts through data to find hidden patterns, discover new insights, and make predictions
- Data Mining can provide valuable results:
  - Predict customer behavior (Classification)
  - Predict or estimate a value (Regression)
  - Segment a population (Clustering)
  - Identify factors more associated with a business problem (Attribute Importance)
  - Find profiles of targeted people or items (Decision Trees)
  - Determine co-occurrances and "market baskets" within an event set (Associations)
  - Find fraudulent or "rare events" (Anomaly Detection)



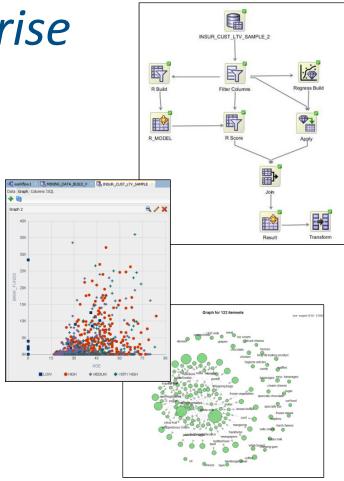




#### Oracle Advanced Analytics (OAA) DB Option

Oracle Data Mining + Oracle R Enterprise

- Powerful in-database algorithms for Data Mining and Statistical Analysis
- Easy to add predictive analytics to enterprise applications and BI
- Fastest way to deliver scalable, enterprise-wide predictive analytics
- ORE eliminates R's limitations (memory and speed) for Enterprise-scale analytics







#### **Oracle Data Mining**

- Oracle Data Mining is an option for the Enterprise Edition of the Oracle Database.
- A collection of APIs and specialized SQL functions.
- Includes a large number of specialized algorithms and built-in procedures.
- Automated data preparation
- Makes use of many built-in capabilities of the Oracle Database
- ODM typically refers to "Oracle Data Mining"



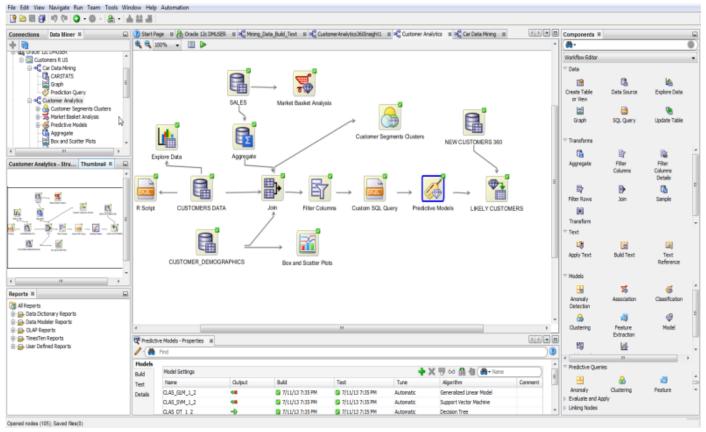


## **Oracle Data Mining Algorithms**

Problem	Algorithm	Applicability
Classification	Logistic Regression (GLM) Decision Trees Naïve Bayes Support Vector Machine	Classical Statistical Technique Popular/Rules/Transparency Embedded app Wide/Narrow Data or Text
Regression	Linear Regression (GLM Support Vector Machine	Classical Statistical Technique Wide/Narrow Data or Text
Anomaly Detection	One Class SVM	Unknown fraud cases or anomalies
Attribute Importance	Minimum Description Length Principal Component Analysis	Attribute reduction Reduce data noise
Association Rules	Apriori	Market Basket Analysis
Clustering	Hierarchical K-Means Hierarchical O-Cluster Expectation Maximization	Market Segmentation Product / Location Groupings Text analysis
Feature Extraction	Non-negative Matrix Factorization Singular Value Decomposition	Feature Reduction Text Analysis



#### **Oracle Data Miner**



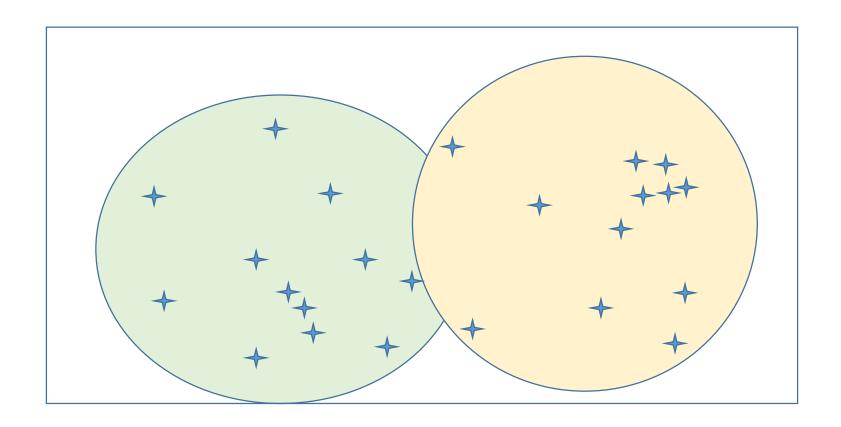
- Easy to Use
  - Oracle Data Miner GUI for data analysts
  - "Work flow" paradigm
- Powerful
  - Multiple algorithms & data transformations
  - Runs 100% in-DB
  - Build, evaluate and apply models
- Automate and Deploy
  - Save and share analytical workflows
  - Generate SQL scripts for deployment





## What is Clustering?

 Dividing a large set into smaller groups of similar and dissimilar members

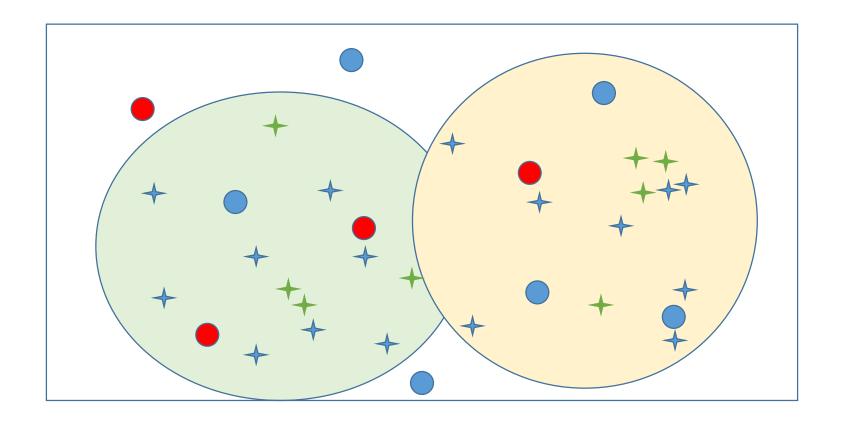






#### More Dimensions Makes Clustering Harder

It's hard to visualize clusters with high dimensionality

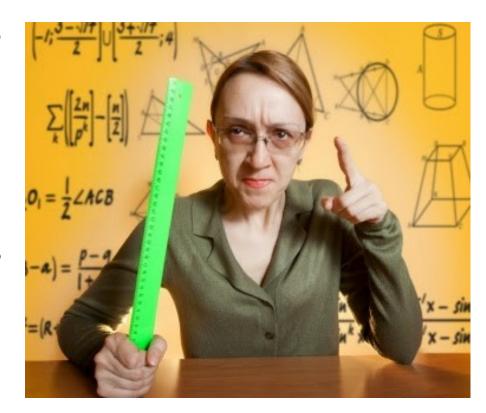






#### There is no "right" or "wrong" in clustering

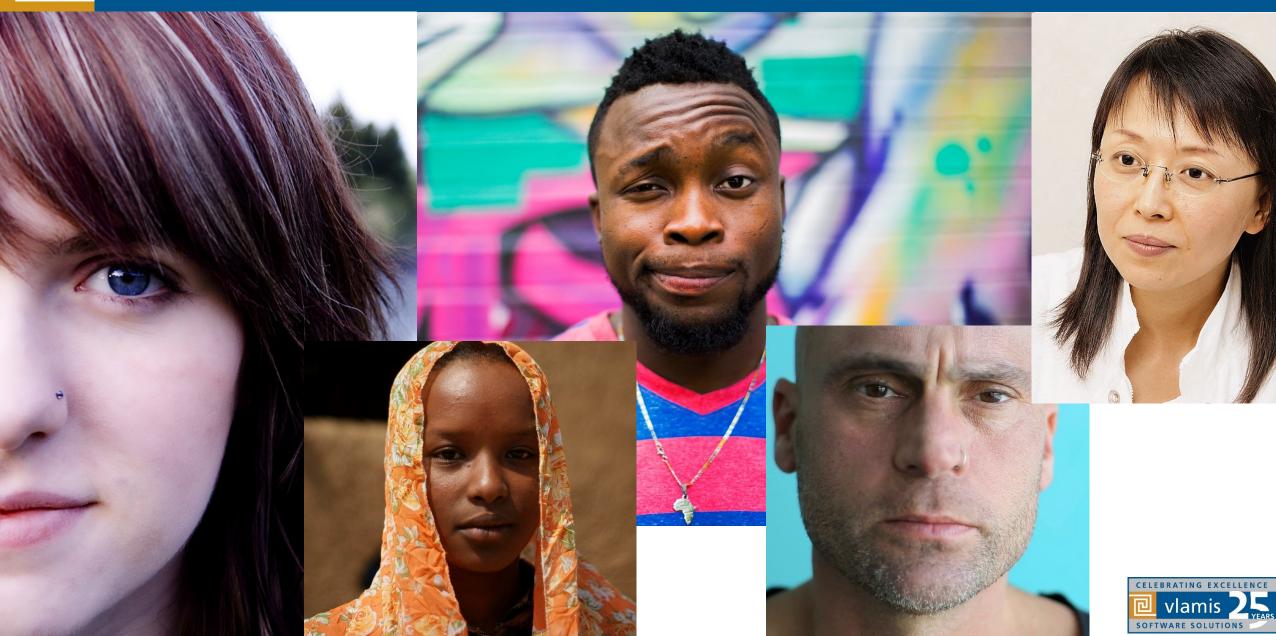
- Clustering algorithms define a procedure and produce results, understanding that procedure is fundamental to explaining cluster assignments
- Large data sets can produce an uncountable number of clustering results
- Cluster assignments are also nonassignments
- Highly-dimensioned data is harder to cluster than lower dimensioned data





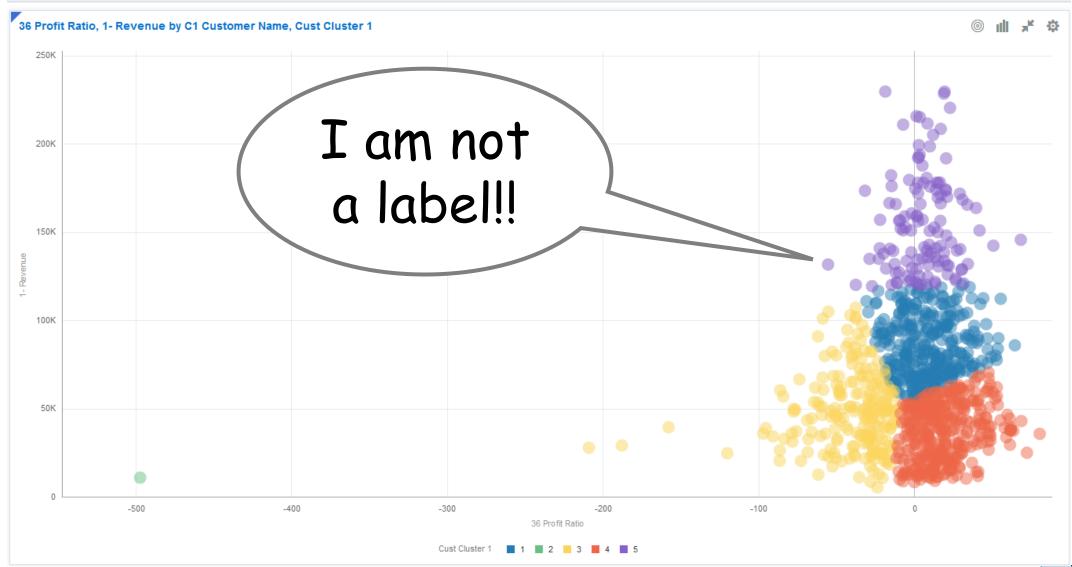


## Clustering Labels Data Set Members





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#### Four Realms of Analytics

**Probability Based** 

Diagnostic Analytics

Predictive Analytics

**Rules Based** 

Descriptive Analytics

Prescriptive Analytics

Past Future





#### Common use cases for clustering

- 1) Customer Segmentation using Clustering algorithms
  - Discovered patterns can be extremely meaningful
  - Able to include hundreds of dimensions
  - Great first project
- 2) Understand retail locations
  - Group business locations into similar groups
  - Discovers "like" locations
- 3) Understand website visits/sessions
  - Discover similar groups among highly dimensioned website data sets
  - Behavior findings are often surprising





## Five Dimensions of Market Segmentation

- Demographics
  - Facts about people or businesses
- Geographics
  - Locations of people or businesses
- Psychographics
  - Attitudes, beliefs, preferences
- Behavior
  - Actions and activities
- Association/Affiliation
  - Groups that are joined through self-selection/choice





#### Demographics are Facts





Feedback FA

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**COMMUNITY FACTS** 

**GUIDED SEARCH** 

ADVANCED SEARCH

DOWNLOAD CENTER

#### Community Facts

Find popular facts (population, income, etc.) and frequently requested data about your community.

Enter a state, county, city, town, or zip code:

e.g., Atlanta, GA

GO

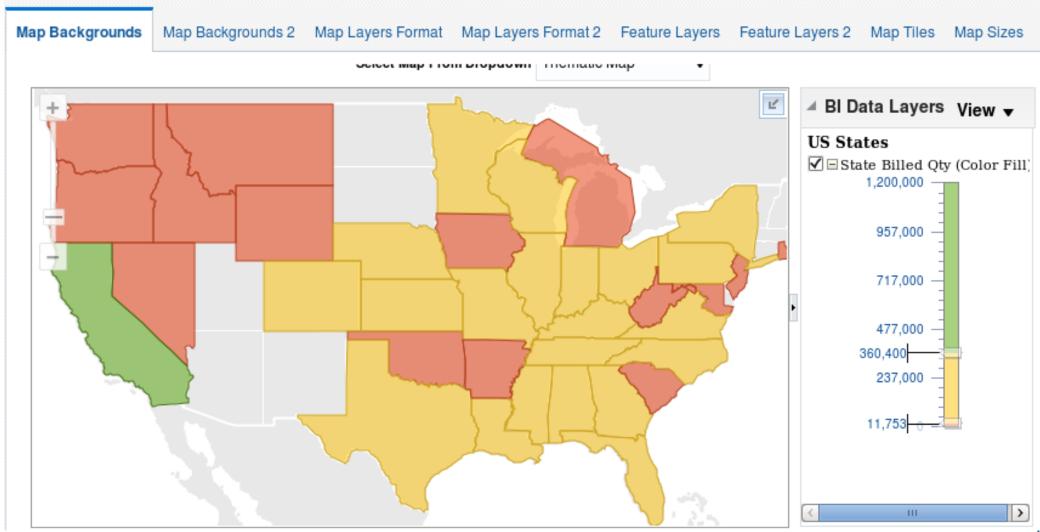
- Guided Search
- Advanced Search
- Download Center







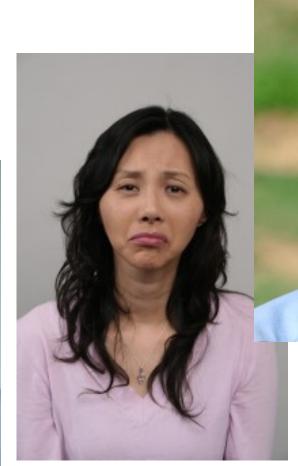
#### Geographics are about Location





#### Psychographics are attitudes, beliefs, likes









#### Behaviors are actions and activities







#### Association/Affiliation (subset of behavior)

Self-selected groups that are joined











#### **Marketing Segmentation**

- Used for "target marketing"
- Has traditionally relied on demographics
- Mass marketing is expensive, target marketing has higher returns
- Behavior data is more available now
- Behavior data is usually much superior





## Three Fundamental Methods to Cluster

Distance (K-Means)

Division (O-Cluster)

Density (Expectation Maximization)





#### **Distance – K Means**

- The centroids of a specific number of clusters are placed so that they minimize the total distance between all data points and the centroids
- Imagine centroid dots moving around until they settle into position
- Most common clustering methodology
- Easy to explain mathematically (closely related to regression)
- User chooses number of (leaf) clusters
- Can be used with nested tables





#### **Division O-Cluster**

- Algorithm divides space with straight lines through areas of minimal density (orthogonal partitioning)
- Imagine lines slicing through and "tessellating" the data space
- User sets minimal level of density for finding clusters
- Excellent for extremely large data sets
- No predetermined number of clusters
- Oracle patented algorithm





#### **Density – Expectation Maximization**

- Algorithm finds areas of high density
- Imagine a population "heat map" that shows areas of high population densities with irregular shapes
- Excellent for data of diverse type (text, numeric, attribute)
- Clusters can be of irregular shape and size
- "state of the art" clustering





#### Rules in ODM Cluster Models

- Describe cluster centroids
- Not determinate (not applicable to every cluster member)
- Rule minimum support can be set
- Can be used for future classification models (cluster assignment)

Use for guidance and understanding





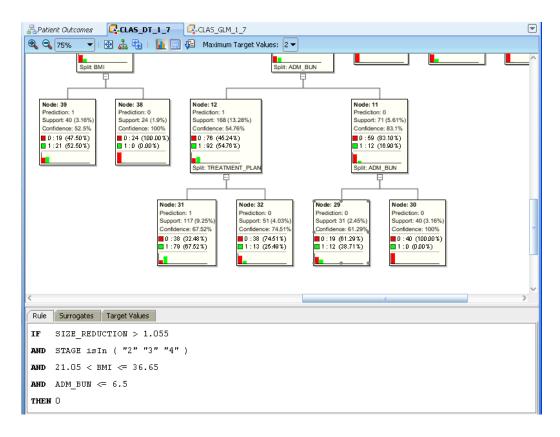
#### **Hierarchical Clustering**

- Computationally intensive
- Requires more iterations
- Hierarchical clusters are "grown" within ODM's clustering algorithms
- Position within a "tree" carries important implications
- Two different strategies for normalizing leaf sets
  - Percentage of population splits (number of members)
    - Produces regularly-sized clusters with bigger leaves at the top and smaller leaves at the bottom of the tree
    - Use clustering to assign a predictable number of customers to different sales persons
  - Differences in population splits
    - Produces more meaningful clusters
- Number of clusters defines the number of leaves. Total number of clusters = # of leaves\*2 1 (10 clusters means 10 leaf clusters that are not split and 19 total clusters in tree

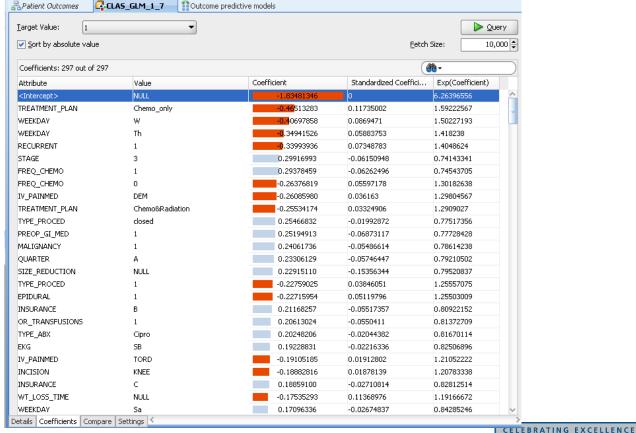




#### **Understand Model Details**



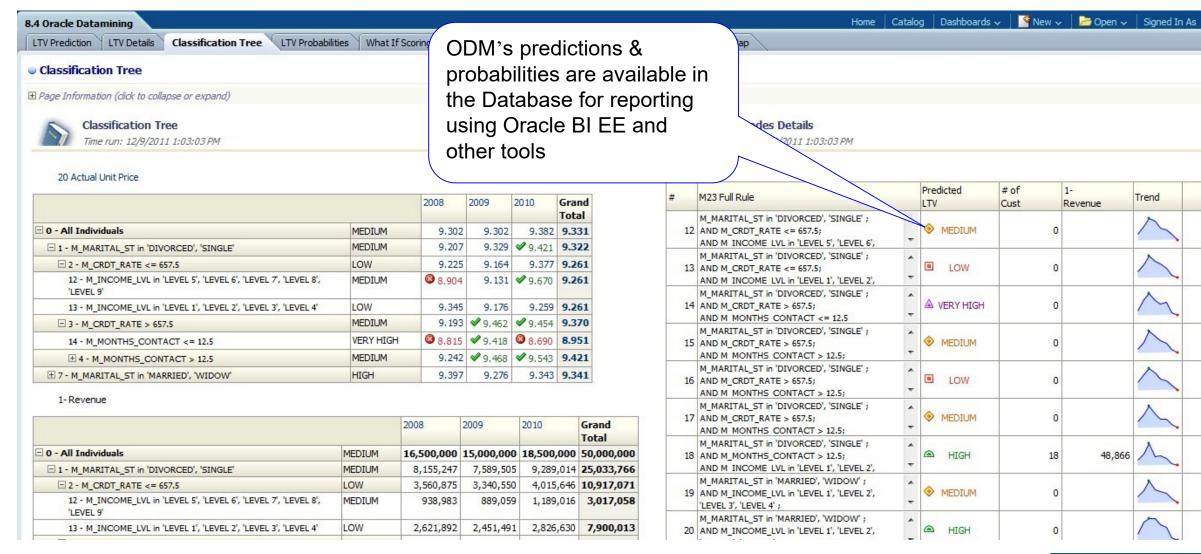
Interactive model viewers



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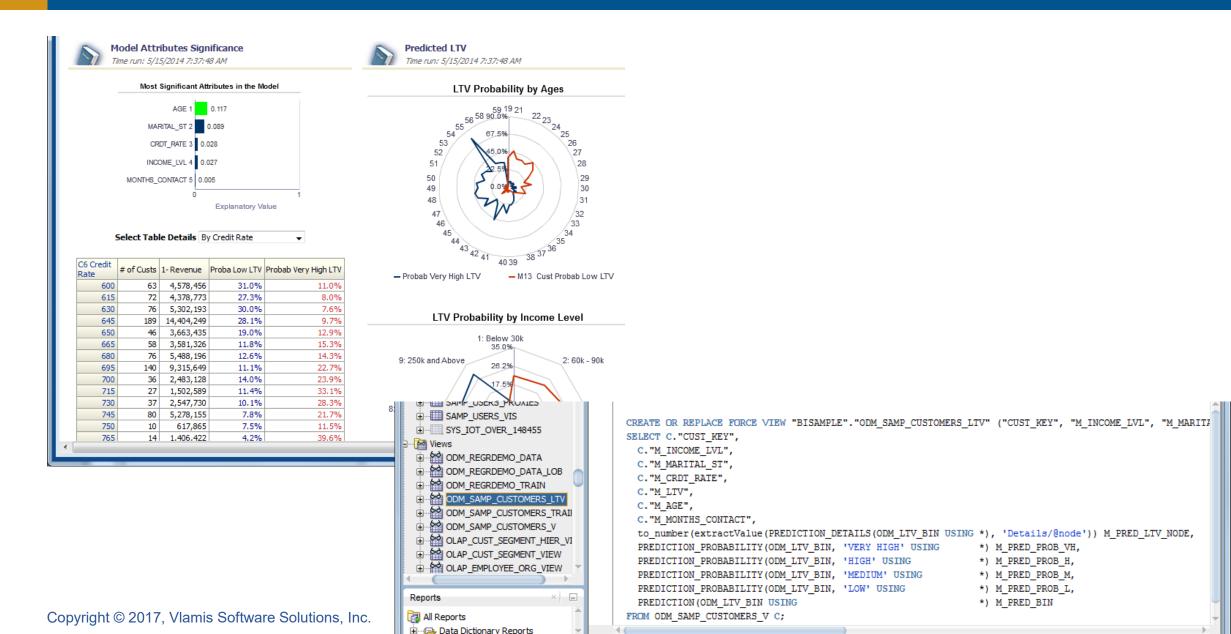
#### Oracle Data Mining & OBIEE







#### Dynamically Using ODM From Oracle Bl





#### **Basic Ways to Get Started**

- Do a POC project on your own
- Conduct a workshop for key stakeholders to build support
  - One hour to one day
  - Half-day works great
- Conduct ODM and ORE training classes with 1-day workshop
- Use a defined Quick Start program (2 weeks)





#### ODM Quick Start Overview

- Hardware or Cloud
  - Oracle Database Appliance/Oracle Database Cloud Service
- Software
  - Oracle Database 12c (with options)
  - Oracle Advanced Analytics Option including Oracle Data Mining
  - Oracle SQL Developer: Data Miner Add-in (free download)
- Services
  - Implementation and configuration from Vlamis Software Solutions (Oracle Gold Partner)
  - Oracle University Oracle Data Mining Techniques course (taught by Vlamis Software Solutions)
  - Market Basket Analysis Project performed on company data
- Time frame: 9 business days (less than 2 weeks)





#### Quick Start Compressed Schedule

- Day 1:
  - Two consultants meet with client team to review project plan, review data sources, identification of best data to start with, set technical objectives for project (basic market basket analysis deliverable)
- Day 2:
  - Consultant One: Install ODA and configure to network (need support from client tech staff)
  - Consultant Two: Conduct first day of ODM class with client team
- Day 3:
  - Consultant One: Install new pluggable Database, SQL Developer
  - Consultant Two: Conduct second day of ODM class with client team
- Day 4:
  - Two consultants establish data plan for project with client and import data
- Day 5:
  - Consultant One: Prepare tables for mining (add keys, new tables, transforms, etc.)
  - Consultant Two: Document data plan
- Day 6:
  - Consultant Two: Build market basket workflow
- Day 7:
  - Consultant Two: Conduct market basket analyses
- Day 8:
  - Consultant Two: Prepare presentation of findings from market basket analyses
- Day 9:
- Consultant Two: Deliver presentation with client Copyright © 2017, Vlamis Software Solutions, Inc.





#### Important Factors in Getting Started

- Lots of internal experts and people who would like to be involved and learn
- Lots of people intimidated by what they don't know
- Start by "level setting" and establishing a strong foundation
  - Bring people along on the journey, establish culture
  - Everyone shares a minimum common knowledge base
- Use workshops (JAD style session) for investigation of possibilities
  - Evaluation of data sources and data sets
  - Recognition of major business issues
  - Review of basic algorithms
  - Identification of potential PoC projects (plusses and minuses)
- Decide on pilot projects and who works on it
- Start simple and return value quickly





#### Oracle Data Mining Training (2 days)

- Introduction
- Data Mining Concepts and Terminology
- The Data Mining Process
- Introducing Oracle Data Miner 11g Release 2
- Using Classification Models
- Using Regression Models
- Using Clustering Models
- Performing Market Basket Analysis
- Performing Anomaly Detection
- Deploying Data Mining Results





#### Oracle R Enterprise Training (2 days)

- Oracle R Enterprise technologies introduction
- Introduction to R hands-on
- ORE transparency layer with hands-on exercises
- ORE embedded R execution with hands-on exercises
- ORE predictive analytics with hands-on exercises
- Using ROracle
- Overview of ORE with OBIEE





#### **Comparison of Training Courses**

#### **Oracle Data Mining**

- Organized by algorithm
- Intro to data mining
- MBAs, BI Admin, DBAs
- Focused on business issues
- Uses GUI
- Approachable for new users

#### **Oracle R Enterprise**

- Organized by process
- Intro to Oracle R Enterprise
- Data Scientists, BI Admin, DBAs
- Focused on executing R in Oracle Database
- Uses R scripts
- Technical





#### **Oracle Test Drive**

- Free to try Oracle BI, Advanced Analytics Go to www.vlamis.com/td
- Runs off of Oracle Cloud
- Test Drives for:
  - Oracle BI
  - Oracle Advanced Analytics
- Once sign up, you have private instance for one day
- Available now





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