

DAME (Data Mining and Exploration)

An extensible, astronomer friendly data mining platform

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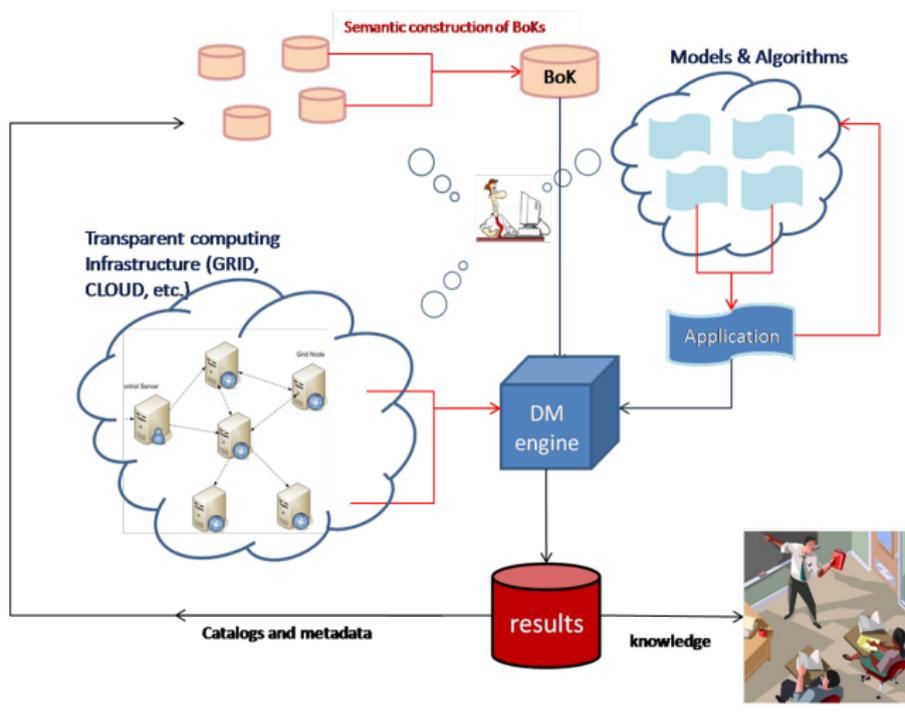
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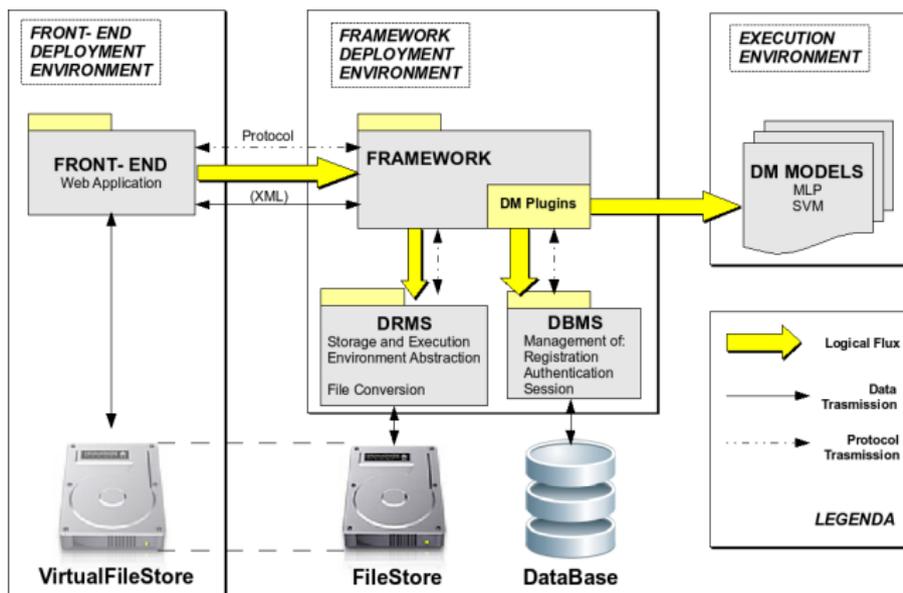


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 - (RESTful) webservices.



Our solution: an extensible architecture

Each component is replaceable except the framework, which can be extended by means of plugins.



- A Data Mining plugin implements a scientific use case (e.g. classification, regression, multi-layer clustering, ...).
- Each DMPlugin may use one or more different low level Data Mining Models.
- DAME exposes DMPlugins to the user, and DMModels to devs through a Software Development Kit.
- Models are reusable, plugins are not (unless we decide to implement workflows).



- Dynamically loaded at runtime, but have to be registered by an admin;
- they implement abstract methods of an abstract Java class;
- they are unaware of the environment in which they are going to be launched;
- they are also unaware of where the files actually are;
- they know whether they are long or short running tasks;
- interaction with the environment through abstract drivers.



The screenshot displays the 'DMPlugin Application Wizard' window. It features a menu bar with 'File' and 'Help'. The main area is divided into three sections: 'Plugin Informations', 'Owner Informations', and 'Running Modes Informations'. A 'Components' tree on the right shows a hierarchy: Train > Fields > someField, Input Files > inputFile, and Output Files > output. A modal dialog is open over the 'output' component, showing its configuration: Name (output), Description (Output File), Format (votable), and a checked 'is Partial' checkbox. A 'Save' button is visible in the dialog. At the bottom of the wizard, there are 'Add', 'Delete', and 'Edit' buttons. A DAME logo is present in the top right of the wizard window and a larger one in the bottom right corner of the slide.

DMPlugin Application Wizard

File Help

Plugin Informations

Name: Example
Documentation: http://www.someurl.edu/url
Version: 1.0
Domains: clustering

Owner Informations

Owner Name: John Smith
Owner Mail: john@someurl.edu

Running Modes Informations

Mode	Checked	Documentation	Running Time
Train	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	http://www.someurl.edu/#train	0
Test	<input type="checkbox"/>		0
Run	<input type="checkbox"/>		0
Full	<input type="checkbox"/>		0

Components

- Train
 - Fields
 - someField
 - Input Files
 - inputFile
 - Output Files
 - output

Component Configuration Dialog

Name: output
Description: Output File
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Add Delete Edit



- Both execution and storage are abstract Java classes which must be implemented for the specific storage and execution platforms.
- We abstracted the idea of job execution running time so that DMPlugin developers can tell the driver, at runtime, whether the code is a long running task or not. That way different drivers can be instantiated in order to launch the task.
- We have implemented the Stand Alone driver and we are currently developing an EGEE GLite compliant driver for GRID.
- To contribute with a driver you just have to implement the abstract methods of an abstract class.



We developed a proof of concept GLite driver to demonstrate how plugins can be launched in different execution environments:

- according to user inputs **the plugin is instantiated on the framework machine** (where all the business logic is running);
- according to the running time **the correct Driver is instantiated**;
- if it is a long run task, the GRID driver is instantiated and **its `run ()` method invoked**;
- the **GRID implementation just serializes the plugin** and calls a GRID executable through GLite middleware;
- the executable takes the serialized plugin as input, **deserializes it and launch it** on the Computing Element;
- during the execution **the DMPlugin is also able to send messages back** to the Framework.



The first prototype

- Currently running at `http://dame.na.infn.it`. It was meant to be just a prototype for validating user interface requirements.
- It was successfully used during Italian VODays (>200 users).
- It is soon retiring, as soon as the new rich web application front end is ready (matter of days).
- It just exposes an MLP model. But it can be used to show KDD potential on actual science cases (refereed papers).

DAta Mining & Exploration

Prototype

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Science and Tech

My Experiments

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Help & Tutorial

The Team

Launch Experiments

New MLP

My Experiments

Experiments List				
Name	Science case	Mode	Status	Actions
isa_train	impclassification	imptrain	finished	Remove
isa_train	impregression	imptrain	finished	Remove
isp	impregression	impfull	finished	Remove
vodday_train	impregression	imptrain	finished	Remove
vodday_test	impregression	imptrain	finished	Remove
whodid	impregression	imptrain	finished	Remove
tutorial_train	impregression	imptrain	finished	Remove
isa_test	impregression	imptrain	finished	Remove
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deno_train	impregression	imptrain	finished	Remove
star_gallery	impclassification	imptrain	finished	Remove

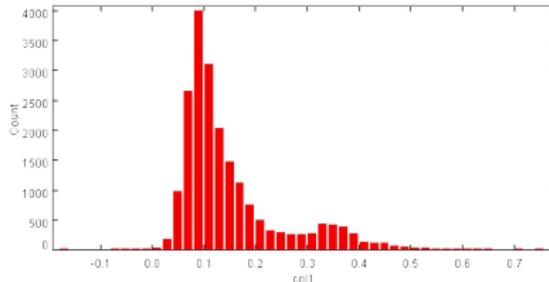
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- Scientific Use Case: photometric redshifts of SDSS galaxies:
 - 1 Train a Neural Network and test it.
 - 2 Download a catalogue data about Abell2255 from the VO.
 - 3 Use your own neural network to verify that Abell2255 is actually a cluster of galaxies and find its redshift.
- Data Mining was unknown to almost all the participants.
- Who found DAME interesting found it easy to use, too!
- Several researchers wondered if they could use KDD for their science.



A glimpse of the brandnew shining Front End.

The screenshot shows a web browser window displaying the DAME Application interface. The browser's address bar shows the URL <http://dame.scope.unina.it:8080/FrontEnd/>. The application header features a blue banner with the text "DAta Mining & Exploration" and a logo with the letters "DAME" next to a stylized head profile.

The main interface is divided into several sections:

- Workspace Manager:** Contains a "New Workspace" button and a table with columns for "Workspace", "Upload", "Experiment", "Rename", and "Delete". The table is currently empty, displaying "No items to show."
- Files Manager:** Contains a table with columns for "Download", "File", "Last Access", and "Delete". The table is currently empty, displaying "No items to show."
- Experiment Manager:** Contains a table with columns for "Experiment", "Status", "Last Access", and "Delete". The table is currently empty, displaying "No items to show."
- Help SECTION:** A section at the bottom left, currently empty.

- Supervised regression and classification.
- Unsupervised clustering.
- Multi-Layer clustering.
- Image segmentation.

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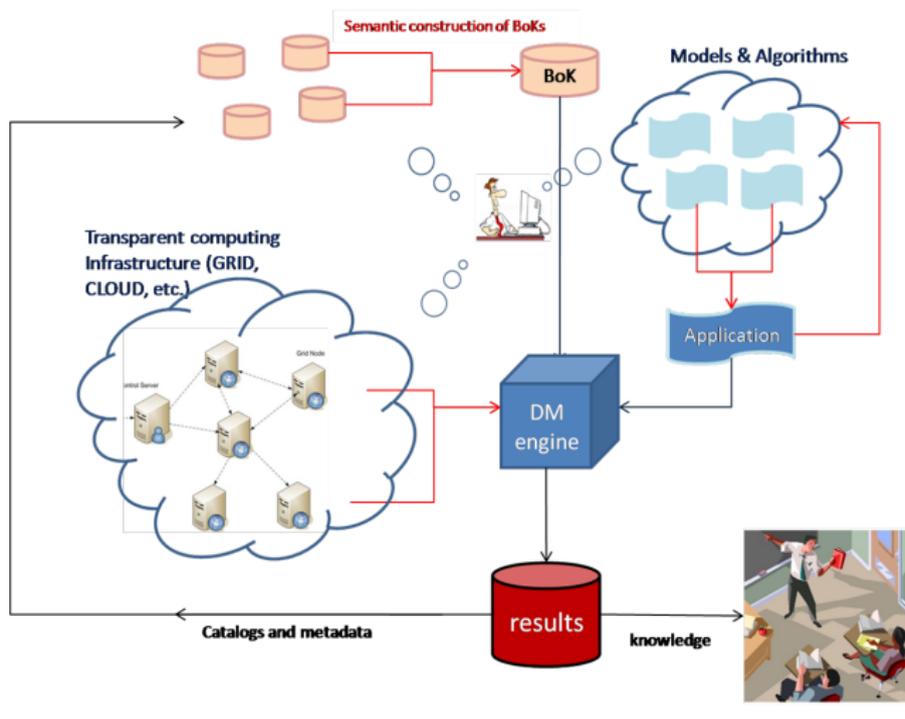
- VOGClusters: a web application for globular clusters;
- Wide Field X-Ray Telescopes Transient Calculator;



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DAME tries to address algorithms and deployment infrastructure: what about the BoK extraction?

The Virtual Observatory is the best environment for BoK selection, and we are now starting to have VO specific tools that will allow to do that. For example:

- Semantics WG (I'm looking forward to hear Matthew's talk!)
- CDS annotation service;
- VOdka (?).



