

Preface

This volume (LNCS vol. 10387) constitutes the proceedings of the Second International Conference on Data Mining and Big Data (DMBD 2017), which was held in conjunction with the 8th International Conference on Swarm Intelligence (ICSI 2017), from July 27 to August 1, 2017, in Fukuoka, Japan.

The Second International Conference on Data Mining and Big Data (DMBD 2017) (IEEE Conference Record 41362) served as an international forum for researchers and practitioners to exchange the latest advances in theories, technologies, and applications of data mining and big data. The theme of DMBD 2017 was “Serving Life with Data Science.” DMBD 2017 was the second conference in the series after the successful first event (DMBD 2016) at Bali Island, Indonesia, during June 25–29, 2016.

Data mining refers to the activity of going through big data sets to look for relevant or pertinent information. This type of activity is a good example of “looking for a needle in a haystack.” The idea is that businesses collect massive sets of data that may be homogeneous or automatically collected. Decision-makers need access to smaller, more specific pieces of data from these large sets. They use data mining to uncover the pieces of information that will inform leadership and help chart the course for a business. Big data contains a huge amount of data and information and is worth researching in depth. Big data, also known as massive data or mass data, refers to the amount of data involved that are too great to be interpreted by a human. Currently, the suitable technologies include data mining, crowdsourcing, data fusion and integration, machine learning, natural language processing, simulation, time series analysis, and visualization. It is important to find new methods to enhance the effectiveness of big data. With the advent of big data analysis and intelligent computing techniques we are facing new challenges to make the information transparent and understandable efficiently. DMBD 2017 provided an excellent opportunity and an academic forum for academics and practitioners to present and discuss the latest scientific results, methods, and innovative ideas and advantages in theories, technologies, and applications in data mining, big data, and intelligent computing. The technical program covered all aspects of data mining, big data, and swarm intelligence as well as intelligent computing methods applied to all fields of computer science, machine learning, data mining and knowledge discovery, robotics, big data, scheduling, parallel realization, etc.

DMBD 2017 took place in the center of the historical Fukuoka City. Fukuoka is the fifth largest city in Japan with 1.55 million inhabitants and is the seventh most liveable city in the world according to the 2016 Quality of Life Survey by *Monocle*. Fukuoka is the northern end of Kyushu Island and is the economic and cultural center of Kyushu Island. Because of its closeness to the Asian mainland, Fukuoka has been an important harbor city for many centuries. Today’s Fukuoka is the product of the fusion of two cities in the year 1889, when the port city of Hakata and the former castle town of Fukuoka were united into one city called Fukuoka. The participants of ICSI 2017 enjoyed traditional Japanese dances, the local cuisine, beautiful landscapes, and the

hospitality of the Japanese people in modern Fukuoka, whose sites are part of UNESCO's World Heritage.

DMBD 2017 received 96 submissions from about 231 authors in 34 countries and regions (Algeria, Australia, Bangladesh, Brazil, Brunei Darussalam, Bulgaria, China, Colombia, Ecuador, France, Germany, Hong Kong SAR China, India, Indonesia, Iran, Japan, Malaysia, The Netherlands, Pakistan, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Russia, Serbia, Slovakia, South Africa, South Korea, Spain, Chinese Taiwan, Thailand, Turkey, USA, UK, and Vietnam) across six continents (Asia, Europe, North America, South America, Africa, and Oceania). Each submission was reviewed by at least two reviewers, and on average 2.6 reviewers. Based on rigorous reviews by the Program Committee members and reviewers, 53 high-quality papers were selected for publication in this proceedings volume with an acceptance rate of 55.21%. The papers are organized in 13 cohesive sections covering major topics of data mining and big data.

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