Welcome to the third issue of the International Journal of Data Warehousing and Mining.

This issue features four reviewed papers. We also continue the ‘Event Reports’ section which reports on a number of international conferences attended by the reporters. While mentioning these event reports, I would also like to call for submissions on book reviews, doctoral dissertation reviews, and relevant research lab reports. These reviews/reports will serve as a tool for communication among researchers in the field of data warehousing and data mining. If you are a book author or a PhD advisor/supervisor, I encourage you to take this opportunity to share your achievements with readers of this journal, particularly in publishing a book and/or in successfully supervising research students.

The four papers featured in this issue can be classified into two groups. The first two papers are in the field of data mining, in general, and classification, in particular. The first paper focuses on classification and decision trees, whereas the second paper concentrates on classifiers. The last two papers are in the field of data warehousing, in which one paper describes how association rules can be applied to data warehouses, and the other discusses XML document warehouses.

The objective of this journal is to bring together the world of data warehousing and data mining. These are reflected in this issue. The paper by Fu (the second paper in this issue) focuses on classifier on data cube. It uses statistics trees to compute the data cube and builds a decision tree. The paper by Tjoe et al. (the third paper in this issue) proposes an association rule mining for star schemas. Particularly they propose the data preprocessing techniques which are then fetched to an association rule miner in a star schema data warehouse environment.

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