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# **Discretization and Learning** Data Mining Theory (データマイニング工学)

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## Today's Outline

- Recap the main points of last week's lecture
- Discretization on learning
- Real number computation (実数計算)
- Learning = computing = discretization?
- All slides are at: http://mahito.info/materials.html

## **Structurization of Hypothesis Space**

- To search hypotheses,
  - (i) The structure of the hypothesis space *H*(ii) An operator that enables to traverse the space are indispensable
- The structured space is mathematically modeled as a poset (partially ordered set; 半順序集合)
- As an operator, we use refinement (精密化)
  - For each hypothesis, a learner can "refine" it and derive a set of one level-specific hypotheses

### **Structurization of Hypothesis Space**



#### Analog data (reals)



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### Fatal Error Caused by Discretization

Solve the system of equations [Schröder, 2003]
 40157959.0 x + 67108865.0 y = 1

67108864.5 x + 112147127.0 y = 0

- We can solve by the well-known formula:

$$x = \frac{b_1 a_{22} - b_2 a_{12}}{a_{11} a_{22} - a_{21} a_{12}}, \quad y = \frac{b_2 a_{11} - b_1 a_{21}}{a_{11} a_{22} - a_{21} a_{12}}$$

 Computation by floating point arithmetic with double precision variables (IEEE 754):

$$x = 112147127, y = -67108864.5$$

Correct solution:

x = 224294254, y = -134217729

#### **Treat Data as Intervals**



### **Geometric Point of View**



**Digital data** (rationals)

Feature A Feature B Class

- 1.2~1.6 0.6~0.8 1
- 0.4~0.8 0.2~0.4 0
- 1.1~1.2 0.4~0.5 1
  - 1.8~1.9 0.7~0.8 0
- Discretized data are intervals in  $\mathbb{R}^d$ 
  - The width of an interval corresponds to the error of a data point
- A learner finds a set intersecting intervals of class 1

### How to Compute Real Numbers?

- Consider computation of  $f(x) = 3 \cdot x$
- For example:  $f(1/3) = 3 \cdot 1/3$
- Since 1/3 = 0.33333..., a computer should output
   0.99999... (or 1.00000...)
- However, it cannot output any digit since:
  - If an input is 0.333... forever, the output is 0.999...
  - If an input is 0.333...34 at some point, the output is 1.000...02
- Thus the computer cannot determine even the first digit at any moment

## What is Problem in Real Number Computation?

- The problem is caused by the representation of real numbers (実数表現)
- Decimal representation (10 進表現) lacks redundancy (冗長性)
  - We need more sequences that represent the same number
- Solution: signed digit representation (符号付き2進数)
  - Use three symbols: 1, 0, and  $\overline{1}$  ( $\overline{1}$  means –1) and defined as:

$$\rho(a_1a_2\dots)=\sum_{i=1}^{\infty}a_i\cdot 2^{-i}$$

• Same as the binary representation if we use only 0 and 1









## **Gray Code**

- Using signed digit representation, we can achieve computation over reals in a natural sense
- Another interesting representation is Gray code (グレイコ ード) by Frank Gray (1947) and Émile Baudot (1878)
  - Originally, another binary encoding of natural numbers
    - Important in applications of conversion between analog and digital information [Knuth, 2005]
- Gray codes for natural numbers:

	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Binary	000	001	010	011	100	101	110	111
Gray	000	001	011	010	110	111	101	100 11/28

## Gray Code Embedding

- Gray code can be used for real number representation
  - We use three symbols 0, 1, and  $\perp$
- The Gray code embedding (グレイコード埋め込み) is an injection  $\gamma_{G}$  that maps  $x \in [0, 1]$  to an infinite sequence  $p_{0}p_{1}p_{2}...$ , where
  - $p_i := 1$  if  $2^{-i}m 2^{-(i+1)} < x < 2^{-i}m + 2^{-(i+1)}$  for an odd m,
  - $-p_i := 0$  if the same holds for an even m,
  - $-p_i := \perp$  if  $x = 2^{-i}m 2^{-(i+1)}$  for some integer m
- Power of representations for real number computation: Gray code = signed digit representation [Dusky, 2002]
   binary representation

#### **Gray Code on Reals**



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#### **Binary Representation**



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## **Computation via Type-2 Machine**

- Computation of real numbers is realized as conversion between their representations (infinite sequences)
- Computation on infinite sequences in  $\Sigma^{\omega}$  is formulated using Type-2 machine



#### **Type-2 Machine**



- In finite time, a computer (Type-2 machine) receives a finite prefix (接頭辞) of an infinite sequence that represents a real number
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- This is similar to the mechanism of *learning* 
  - Discretized approximation (in **computing**)
  - Partial information of concepts (in **learning**)



## **Real Number Computation as Learning**

- Concept (learning target): a real number  $x \in \mathbb{R}$
- Hypothesis: a finite sequence  $H = a_1 a_2 \dots a_k$ 
  - A hypothesis H represents an interval v(H)
- Data: prefixes of  $x = \rho(a_1 a_2 \dots)$
- Correctness:
  - **Consistency**: *H* is always consistent with *x*, i.e.,  $x \in v(H)$
  - Instead of convergence in identification in the limit, we have effectivity:

For a sequence of hypotheses  $w_1, w_2, w_3, \ldots, v(w_i) \supseteq v(w_{i+1})$  always holds

## Summary of Real Number Computation in Machine Learning Framework

Target	Real number				
Representation	Gray code/signed digit representation				
Data	Prefix (Discretized value, interval)				
Algorithm	Depends on functions				
Correctness	Consistency & Effectivity				

#### **Example: Binary Representation**

• Binary representation  $\rho : \Sigma^{\omega} \rightarrow [0, 1]$ :  $\rho(a_1 a_2 \dots) = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} a_i \cdot 2^{-i}$ 

i=1

• Binary representation for finite sequence  

$$v: \Sigma^* \to \mathcal{P}([0, 1]):$$
  
 $v(a_1a_2...a_k) = [\rho(a_1a_2...a_k000...), \rho(a_1a_2...a_k111...)]$   
 $= \left[\sum_{i=1}^k a_i \cdot 2^{-i}, \sum_{i=1}^k a_i \cdot 2^{-i} + 2^{-k}\right]$ 

#### **Binary Representation**



#### **Example: Signed Digit Representation**

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$$\Sigma = \{0, 1, \bar{1}\}$$

- Signed digit representation  $\rho : \Sigma^{\omega} \rightarrow [0, 1]$ :  $\rho(a_1 a_2 \dots) = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} a_i \cdot 2^{-i}$
- Signed digit representation for finite sequence  $\upsilon: \Sigma^* \to \mathcal{P}([0, 1]):$   $\upsilon(a_1 a_2 \dots a_k) = [\rho(a_1 a_2 \dots a_k \overline{1} \overline{1} \overline{1} \dots), \rho(a_1 a_2 \dots a_k 111 \dots)]$  $= \left[\sum_{i=1}^k a_i \cdot 2^{-i} - 2^{-k}, \sum_{i=1}^k a_i \cdot 2^{-i} + 2^{-k}\right]$



## Refinement

- Refinement of signed digit representation is simple:
  - (i)  $w \xrightarrow{\rho} w0$ (ii)  $w \xrightarrow{\rho} w1$
  - (iii)  $w \xrightarrow{\rho} w \overline{1}$
- "Learning with refinement"
  - = "Real number computation"

## **Efficient Learning with Refinement**

- 1.  $i \leftarrow 1, S \leftarrow \emptyset, H \leftarrow \top, Q \leftarrow \emptyset // Q$  is a list of candidate hypotheses
- 2. repeat
- $3. \quad S \leftarrow S \cup \{(x_i, y_i)\}$
- 4. while *H* is not consistent with *S*
- 5. if  $x \in v(H)$  for some  $(x, o) \in S$  then
- 6. Append all  $\rho(H)$  to the tail of Q
- 7. end if
- 8.  $H \leftarrow$  the first hypothesis in Q, and remove it from Q
- 9. end while
- 10.  $H_i \leftarrow H$  and output  $H_i$
- 11.  $i \leftarrow i + 1$

#### 12. until forever

## Conclusion

- Computing and learning have been studied in different fields
- However, if we consider computation over R, there is a close connection between computing and learning
- This is still a developing field
  - No textbook!
  - Some interesting papers:
    - de Brecht, M., **Topological and Algebraic Aspects of Algorithmic Learning Theory**, *PhD thesis* (2010)
    - Sugiyama, M. and Hirowatari, E. and Tsuiki, H. and Yamamoto, A., Learning Figures with the Hausdorff Metric by Fractals—Towards Computable Binary Classification, Machine Learning (2012) 27/28

#### **Take-Home Massages**

- **1.** Learning  $\simeq$  Computing on  $\mathbb{R} \neq$  Computing on  $\mathbb{N}$
- 2. Representation of objects is essential
- 3. Structure of hypothesis space is crucial for efficiency
- 4. We are learners in data mining