

## Knowledge-Based Systems

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## Introduction

#### Problem solving

Knowledge + Control

#### Knowledge

- If...then...> rules → Rule-based reasoning
  - Prolog : Implication sentence
  - Jess : condition => action
- Past experience → Case-based reasoning(CBR)

## Control (search)

- Rule-based reasoning → Backward chaining, Production systems
- Case-based reasoning → Find similar cases

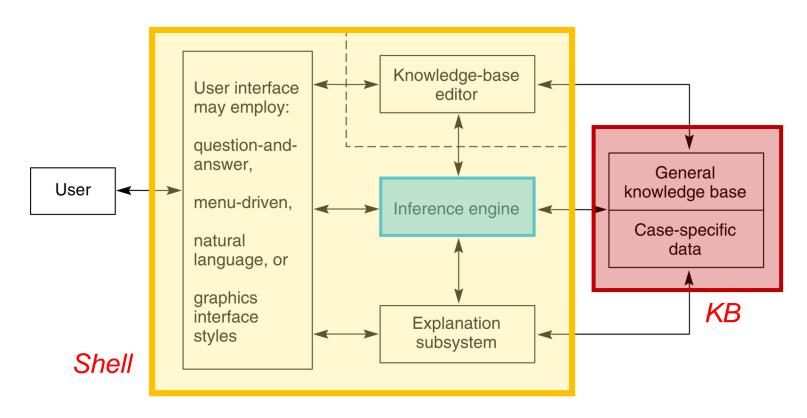


## **Expert Systems**

- Expert system
  - Knowledge-based program
  - Provides answers to problems in specific domain
  - Problem Categories
    - Interpretation, prediction, diagnosis, design, ...
- Separation of knowledge and control
  - Easy to represent knowledge
  - Easy to build and change KB
  - Same control and interface can be used for various systems
    - Expert System Shell

# **Expert Systems**

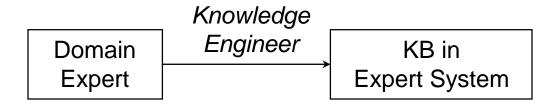
Expert system architecture





# Knowledge Engineering

- Knowledge acquisition
  - Building KB by acquiring knowledge from experts
    - → Major bottleneck in building expert system
- Knowledge engineer
  - Select tools
  - Extract knowledge (interview)
  - Build efficient KB





## Rule-Based Reasoning

- Represent knowledge as explicit rules
  - Example rule (MYCIN)

- Expert system as a prolog program
  - Knowledge base Set of prolog sentences
  - Inference engine Prolog interpreter (backward chaining)
- Expert system as a production system
  - Knowledge base Set of <if then> rules
  - Inference engine Production system (forward chaining)



## Rule-Based Reasoning

#### Advantages

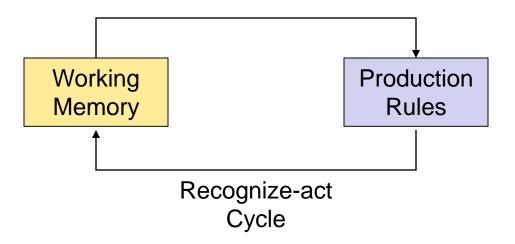
- Use of expert knowledge
  - → Good performance in limited domains
- Separation of knowledge and control
- Explanation is possible

## Disadvantages

- Need knowledge acquisition
- Rules are vulnerable to noisy data
  - Ex> If (temp > 39.0) Then ...



- Production System
  - A computational model of problem solving process
  - Used for implementation of expert systems





#### Production rules

- Problem solving knowledge

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Ex> if earning(X, unsteady)
 then income(inadequate)
 if clear(X)
 then pickup(X)
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#### Working memory

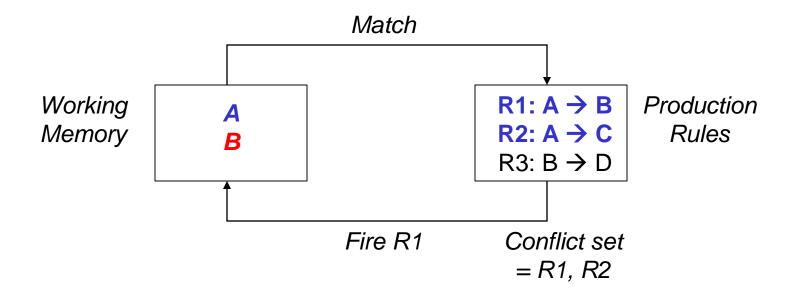
Current states of the world



- Recognize-act cycle
  - Match
    - Patterns in working memory are matched against rules
      → Conflict set
  - Conflict resolution
    - One of the rules in the conflict set is selected
  - Fire
    - Action is performed. Working memory is updated

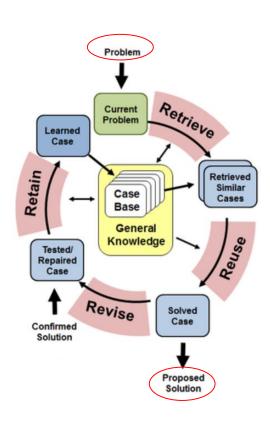


## Example



#### Reasoning from cases

- Case: examples from past
  - Ex> Law cases
- Reasoning procedure
  For a new problem,
  - Retrieve similar case (based on common feature)
  - Reuse the case: modify the retrieved case to get the solution
  - 3. Revise the case
  - 4. Retain: save the new case



#### Example

customer	sex	age	action?(f)
c1	M	40	N
с2	M	20	Y
с3	F	30	N
c4	M	30	Y

c5: F, 20  $\rightarrow$  Y or N?

#### Rule-based

• Rule: if (sex=F) then N. Therefore N

#### Case-based

• C3 is most similar to c5. Therefore N

#### k-Nearest Neighbor method

- 1. Define distance functions
- Example

• 
$$d_{sex}(A, B) = |A - B|$$
 (female:0, male:1)

• 
$$d_{age}(A, B) = |A - B| / max difference$$

$$\bullet d = d_{sex} + d_{age}$$

• 
$$d_{sum}(c5, c1) = |0 - 1| + |20 - 40| / 20 = 2.0$$

• 
$$d_{sum}(c5, c2) = |0 - 1| + |20 - 20| / 20 = 1.0$$

• 
$$d_{sum}(c5, c3) = |0 - 0| + |20 - 30| / 20 = 0.5$$

• 
$$d_{sum}(c5, c4) = |0 - 1| + |20 - 30| / 20 = 1.5$$

#### 2. Predict value from neighbors

Weighted average of neighbor values f<sub>i</sub> (Y = +1, N = -1)

Let 
$$w_i = \frac{1}{d_{ij}}$$
,  $W = \sum w_i$ 

$$f_j = \sum f_i \cdot \frac{w_i}{W}$$

- Example
  - $3-NN \rightarrow c3, c2, c4$

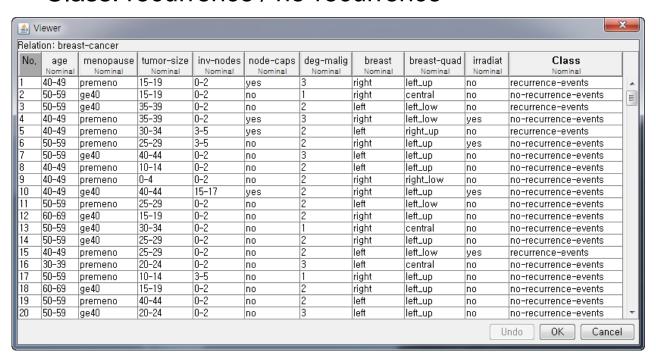
c3: 
$$f_3 = -1(N)$$
,  $d_{35} = 0.5$ ,  $w_3 = 2.0$ 

c2: 
$$f_2 = +1(Y)$$
,  $d_{25} = 1.0$ ,  $w_2 = 1.0$ 

c4: 
$$f_4 = +1(Y)$$
,  $d_{45} = 1.5$ ,  $w_4 = 0.67$ 

• 
$$f_5 = [(-1*2.0) + (1*1.0) + (1*0.67)] / 3.67 = -0.09 \rightarrow N$$

- Example: breast cancer classification
  - Case: represented by 9 attributes
  - Class: recurrence / no-recurrence





#### Issues

- Selection of features
- Computing similarity

#### Advantages

- Knowledge acquisition can be simplified
- Provide learning capability to expert systems

## Disadvantages

Lack of explanation capability