

## Refinement on Learning

Data Mining Theory (データマイニング工学)

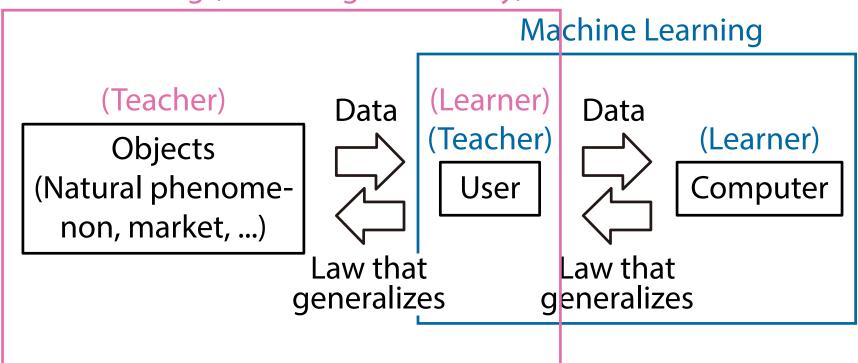
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## **Today's Outline**

- Recap the main points of last week's lecture
- Consider the structure of a hypothesis space
  - Essential to efficiently search candidate hypotheses
- Understand the hypothesis space as a poset (半順序集合)
- Introduce the key concept of a refinement (精密化) operator to traverse the (structured) hypothesis space

## Framework of Learning (ML vs DM)

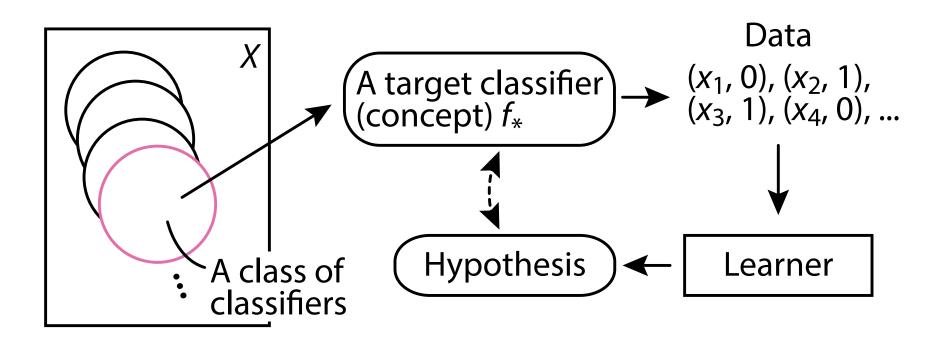
#### Data Mining (Knowledge Discovery)



# Formalization of Learning in Computational Manner

- 1. What are targets of learning? (学習対象)
  - Each target (concept) C is a subset of the domain X ( $C \subseteq X$ )
  - A concept space C is a collection of concepts (C ⊆ P(X))
- 2. How to represent targets and hypotheses? (表現言語)
  - We use a hypothesis space  $\mathcal{H}$
  - Each hypothesis  $H \in \mathcal{H}$  represents a concept  $\upsilon(H) \subseteq X$
- 3. How are data provided to a learner? (データ)
- 4. How does the learner work? (学習手順, アルゴリズム)
- 5. When can we say that the learner correctly learns the target? (学習の正当性)

## **Learning Model**



## Gold's Learning Model on Languages

- A concept space  $C \subseteq \{A \mid A \subseteq \Sigma^*\}$  is chosen
- For a language  $C \in \mathcal{C}$ , an infinite sequence  $\sigma = (x_1, y_1), (x_2, y_2), \ldots$  is a complete presentation (完全提示) of C if
  - (i)  $\{x_1, x_2, ...\} = \Sigma^*$
  - (ii)  $y_i = 1 \iff x_i \in C$  for all i
- A learner is a procedure M that receives  $\sigma$  and generates an infinite sequence of hypotheses  $\gamma = H_1, H_2, \dots$
- If  $\gamma$  converges to some hypothesis H and  $\upsilon(H) = C$ , we say that M identifies C in the limit (極限学習する)
  - If M identifies any  $C \in \mathcal{C}$  in the limit, M identifies  $\mathcal{C}$  in the limit

### **Consistency of Hypotheses**

- A language C is inconsistent with (x, y) (矛盾する) if  $(y = 1 \text{ and } x \notin C)$  or  $(y = 0 \text{ and } x \in C)$
- C is consistent with (x, y) if C is not inconsistent with (x, y)
- For a set of examples  $S = \{(x_1, y_1), ..., (x_n, y_n)\}$ , C is consistent with S (C は S に無矛盾) if C is consistent with every  $(x, y) \in S$

### **Basic Strategy: Generate and Test**

- Input: a complete presentation  $\sigma$  of a language  $C \in C$
- Output:  $\gamma = H_1, H_2, \dots$
- 1.  $i \leftarrow 1, S \leftarrow \emptyset$
- 2. repeat
- 3.  $S \leftarrow S \cup \{(x_i, y_i)\}$
- 4. while v(H) is not consistent with S do
- 5.  $H \leftarrow$  the next hypothesis in the hypothesis space  $\mathcal{H}$
- 6. end while
- 7.  $H_i \leftarrow H$  and output  $H_i$
- 8.  $i \leftarrow i + 1$
- 9. until forever

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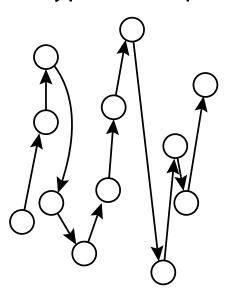
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- What is needed for more efficient learning?
- → An efficient search of candidate hypotheses is essential!

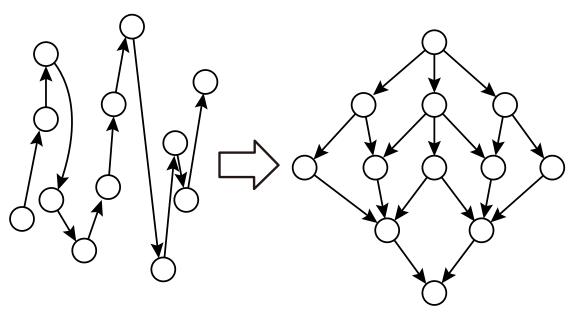
- To search hypotheses,
  - (i) The structure of the hypothesis space  ${\cal H}$
  - (ii) An operator that enables to traverse the space are indispensable
- The structured space is mathematically modeled as a poset (partially ordered set; 半順序集合)
- As an operator, we use refinement (精密化)
  - For each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

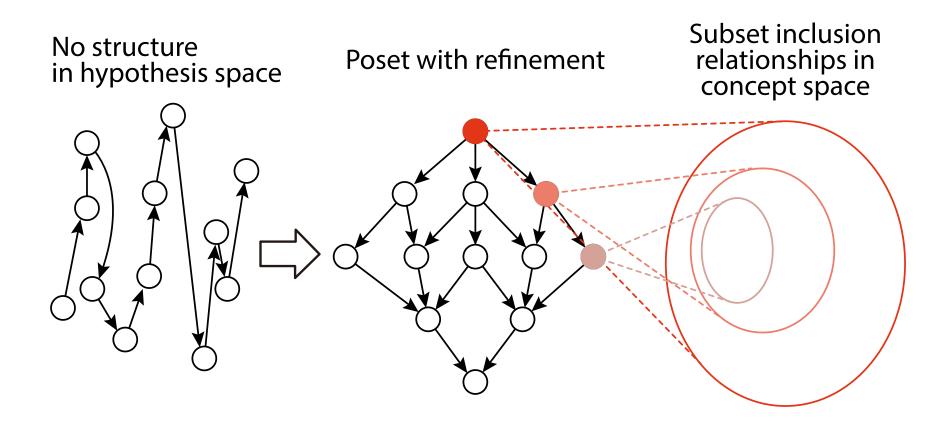
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Poset with refinement





#### **Poset**

A partial order (半順序) is a binary relation ≤ s.t.

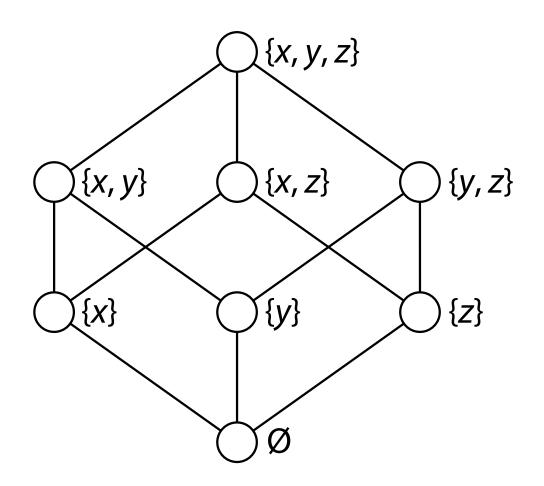
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1. x \le x (reflexivity; 反射律)
2. (x \le y \text{ and } y \le x) \Rightarrow x = y (antisymmetry; 反対称律)
3. (x \le y \text{ and } y \le z) \Rightarrow x \le z (transitivity; 推移律)
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- A set X with a partial order ≤, denoted as (X, ≤), is called a partially ordered set (poset; 半順序集合)
  - The least upper bound (supremum; 最小上界) of  $S \subseteq X$  is the least  $x \in X$  s.t.  $\forall s \in S$ ,  $s \leq x$
  - The greatest lower bound (infimum; 最大下界) of  $S \subseteq X$  is the greatest  $x \in X$  s.t.  $\forall s \in S, x \leq s$

#### Lattice

- ・ We use join "∨" (結び) and meet "∧" (交わり)
  - $-x \lor y = \sup\{x, y\}$  (join of x and y)
    - $\circ$  For  $S \subseteq X$ ,  $\vee S = \sup S$
  - $-x \wedge y = \inf\{x, y\}$  (meet of x and y)
    - $\circ$  For  $S \subseteq X$ ,  $\wedge S = \inf S$
- A poset  $(X, \leq)$  is a lattice (束) if  $x \vee y$  and  $x \wedge y$  exist for all  $x, y \in X$
- Examples:
  - The power set  $\mathcal{P}(X)$  of any set X (we translate "⊆" as  $\leq$ )
  - The set of natural numbers N w.r.t "≤"
  - The Cartesian product  $\mathbb{N} \times \mathbb{N} = \{(a, b) \mid a, b \in \mathbb{N} \}$ ,  $(a, b) \leq (a', b')$  if  $a \leq a'$  and  $b \leq b'$

#### The Power Set Is a Lattice



#### **Definition of Refinement**

Assume that our hypothesis space (H, ≤) is a poset and

$$G \preccurlyeq H \Rightarrow \upsilon(G) \subseteq \upsilon(H)$$

$$G \equiv H \Rightarrow \upsilon(G) = \upsilon(H)$$

- $\upsilon$  should be a homomorphism (準同型写像) that preserves structure between  $\mathcal C$  and  $\mathcal H$
- A refinement (精密化) is a mapping  $\rho: \mathcal{H} \to \mathcal{H}^2$  s.t.
  - 1.  $\forall H \in \mathcal{H}, \rho(H)$  is finite
  - 2.  $G \in \rho(H) \Rightarrow G \leq H$
  - 3.  $\forall H \in \mathcal{H}$ , there is no infinite sequence  $H_1, H_2, \ldots$  s.t.  $H = H_1$  and  $H_i \in \rho(H_{i+1})$

## **Semantically Complete Refinement**

- We write  $X \stackrel{\rho}{\to} Y$  if  $Y \in \rho(X)$ 
  - $\stackrel{*}{\rightarrow}$  is zero or more applications of  $\stackrel{\rho}{\rightarrow}$
- A refinement  $\rho$  is semantically complete (意味的に完全) if  $\left\{ \upsilon(G) \mid H \stackrel{*}{\to} G \right\} = \left\{ C \in \mathcal{C} \mid C \subset \upsilon(H) \right\}$ 
  - Start from H, we can find any  $C \subset \upsilon(H)$  by applying  $\stackrel{\rho}{\rightarrow}$
  - If this condition is not satisfied, we will miss some concepts

#### **Pioneers of Refinement**

- Refinement is (implicitly) used in various contexts
  - It can be viewed as an online construction of search space with tree-like structure
- It has been explicitly introduced in Model Inference System by Shapiro in 1981
  - E. Y. Shapiro, An Algorithm That Infers Theories from Facts,
     IJCAI, 1981
- Plotkin considered the opposite direction (from specific to general)
  - G. D. Plotkin, A further note on inductive generalization,
     Machine Intelligence, 1970

### **Examples of Refinement**

- Let us consider concrete examples of refinement and learning
- We use two simple examples:
  - Regular language (正則言語)
  - The set of pairs of natural numbers  $\mathbb{N}^2 = \mathbb{N} \times \mathbb{N} = \{(a, b) \mid a, b \in \mathbb{N}\}$

## Regular Language (1/2)

- Given an alphabet Σ
  - For  $a \in \Sigma$ ,  $a^2 = aa$ ,  $a^3 = aaa$ , ...
  - $-X^{\circ} = \emptyset, X^{n} = \{au \mid a \in X, u \in X^{n-1}\} (n \ge 1)$
- For a regular expression (正則表現, RE) H, υ(H) is a regular language (正則言語)
  - $\varnothing$  is an RE;  $\upsilon(\varnothing) = \varnothing$
  - $\forall a \in \Sigma$ , a is an RE;  $\upsilon(a) = \{a\}$
  - If X and Y are REs,
    - X + Y is an RE;  $v(X + Y) = X \cup Y$  (union)
    - ∘ XY is an RE;  $\upsilon(XY) = \{ab \mid a \in X, b \in Y\}$  (concatenation)
    - o X\* is an RE; υ(X\*) = ⋃ { X<sup>n</sup> | n ≥ o } (Kleene closure; クリーネ閉包)

## Regular Language (2/2)

- Let  $\Sigma = \{a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n\}$
- We denote by  $\top$  the language  $(a_1 + a_2 + \cdots + a_n)^*$ 
  - $\upsilon(\top) = \Sigma^*$
  - The largest language over  $\Sigma$
- Examples:
  - Assume that  $\Sigma = \{a, t, g, c\}$
  - $\upsilon(at + g^*) = \{\varepsilon, at, g, gg, ggg, \ldots\}$
  - $\upsilon((a + c)^*) = \{\varepsilon, a, c, aa, ac, ca, cc, aaa, ...\}$
  - $\upsilon(\mathsf{T}) = \{\varepsilon, \mathsf{a}, \mathsf{t}, \mathsf{g}, \mathsf{c}, \mathsf{aa}, \mathsf{at}, \dots\}$

## Refinement on Regular Languages

(from P. D. Laird, Learning from Good and Bad Data, 1988)

1. 
$$X \stackrel{\rho}{\rightarrow} X + X$$

2. 
$$X^* \xrightarrow{\rho} X^* X^*$$

3. 
$$X^* \stackrel{\rho}{\rightarrow} (X^*)^*$$

4. 
$$a \stackrel{\rho}{\rightarrow} \emptyset \quad (a \in \Sigma)$$

5. 
$$X^* \stackrel{\rho}{\rightarrow} X$$

6. 
$$X \stackrel{\rho}{\rightarrow} Y \Rightarrow X + Z \stackrel{\rho}{\rightarrow} Y + Z$$

7. 
$$X \stackrel{\rho}{\rightarrow} Y \Rightarrow Z + X \stackrel{\rho}{\rightarrow} Z + Y$$

8. 
$$X \stackrel{\rho}{\rightarrow} Y \Rightarrow X^* \stackrel{\rho}{\rightarrow} Y^*$$

9. 
$$X \stackrel{\rho}{\rightarrow} Y \Rightarrow XZ \stackrel{\rho}{\rightarrow} YZ$$

10. 
$$X \stackrel{\rho}{\to} Y \Rightarrow ZX \stackrel{\rho}{\to} ZY$$

# **Examples of Refinement on Regular Languages**

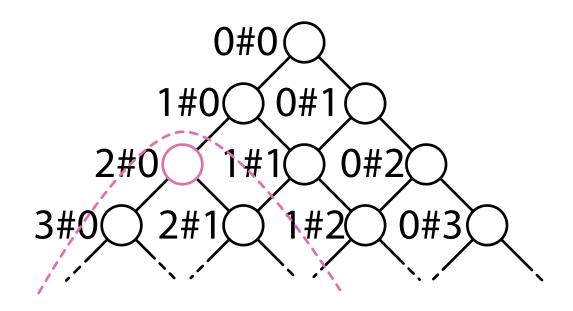
- Let  $\Sigma = \{0, 1\}$
- $T = (0+1)^* \xrightarrow{\rho} 0 + 1 \xrightarrow{\rho} \varnothing + 1 \xrightarrow{\rho} \varnothing + \varnothing$
- $T = (0+1)^* \xrightarrow{\rho} (0+1)^* (0+1)^* \xrightarrow{\rho} (0+1)^* (0+1) \xrightarrow{\rho} (0+1)(0+1)$ -  $\upsilon((0+1)(0+1)) = \{00, 01, 10, 11\}$

## **Efficient Learning with Refinement**

- 1.  $i \leftarrow 1, S \leftarrow \emptyset, H \leftarrow T, Q \leftarrow \emptyset // Q$  is a list of candidate hypotheses
- 2. repeat
- 3.  $S \leftarrow S \cup \{(x_i, y_i)\}$
- 4. while *H* is not consistent with *S*
- 5. if  $x \in v(H)$  for some  $(x, 0) \in S$  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

## Hypothesis Space on $\mathbb{N}^2$

- $\mathcal{H} = \{ a \# b \mid a, b \in \mathbb{N} \}$
- $a \# b \le c \# d$  if  $a \ge c$  and  $b \ge d$ 
  - Note that we invert ≤ for mathematical convenience



#### Refinement on $\mathbb{N}^2$

• We consider the following concept space C:

$$\mathcal{C} = \{ \uparrow (a,b) \mid a,b \in \mathbb{N} \},\$$

where

$$\uparrow(a,b) = \{ (c,d) \in \mathbb{N}^2 \mid a \le c, b \le d \}$$

- A subset  $O \subseteq \mathbb{N}^2$  s.t.  $(a,b) \in O \Rightarrow \uparrow(a,b) \subseteq O$  is known to be open on the Alexandroff topology
- Define  $v(a\#b) = \uparrow(a,b)$
- Refinement is given as follows:

1. 
$$a\#b \xrightarrow{\rho} (a+1)\#b$$

2. 
$$a\#b \xrightarrow{\rho} a\#(b+1)$$

### Refinement on Sets of $\mathbb{N}^2$

- We can further treat a (finite) set of  $\uparrow(a,b)$  as a concept
- $\mathcal{H}_S = \{ a_1 \# b_1 + a_2 \# b_2 + \dots + a_n \# b_n \mid a_i, b_i, n \in \mathbb{N} \}$
- $C_S = \{ C \mid C \subseteq C = \{ \uparrow(a,b) \mid a,b \in \mathbb{N} \}, C \text{ is finite } \}$
- $\upsilon(a_1 \# b_1 + \cdots + a_n \# b_n) = \uparrow(a_1, b_1) \cup \cdots \cup \uparrow(a_n, b_n)$
- Refinement is given as follows:
  - 1.  $a\#b \xrightarrow{\rho} (a+1)\#b$
  - 2.  $a \# b \xrightarrow{\rho} a \# (b + 1)$
  - 3.  $X \xrightarrow{\rho} Y \Rightarrow X + Z \xrightarrow{\rho} Y + Z$  and  $Z + X \xrightarrow{\rho} Z + Y$
  - 4.  $X \stackrel{\rho}{\rightarrow} X + X$

#### How about $\mathbb{R}$ ?

- Let us consider the set of real numbers  $\mathbb R$ 
  - One of the most important objects in machine learning
- Each real number  $x \in \mathbb{R}$  is represented as an infinite sequence
  - e.g., use infinite decimal expansions with  $\Sigma = \{0, 1, ..., 9\}$
  - Let  $\overline{x}$  be a representation of x
- Obviously, we cannot treat all elements in  $\mathbb{R}$  as we cannot determine  $x \in \mathbb{R}$  from  $\overline{x}$  in finite time
- We can just treat prefixes of infinite sequences, and  $\upsilon(w) = \{ x \in \mathbb{R} \mid w \sqsubseteq \overline{x} \}$ , which forms an open set on  $\mathbb{R}$