

$$K(\mathbf{o}_1, \mathbf{o}_2) \in \mathbb{R}$$

2 classes: Study ways of generating  
 interpretable "features" for  
 $\mathbf{o}_1$  &  $\mathbf{o}_2$  s.t. the clustering /  
 classification / regression problem at  
 hand can be solved effectively.

# Unsupervised feature mining

Transaction ID	Items
1	{D,O,N,K,E,Y}
2	{M,O,N,K,E,Y}
3	{M,A,K,E}
4	{M,U,C,K,Y}
5	{C,O,O,K,I,E}

$$\Sigma = \{A, C, D, E, I, K, M, N, O, U, Y\}$$

Figure 1: Dataset  $\mathcal{D}$

- Let us say you are provided the data set  $\mathcal{D}$  as in Figure 1. Propose an efficient algorithm to find all subsets of  $\Sigma$  that are subsets of more than  $m$  transactions (for some fixed  $m$ ). (This is the idea behind the classic apriori algorithm).

Ex: Find all  $x \subseteq \Sigma$  s.t  $x$  covers at least 2 transactions

$\text{covers}(x, t) = 1 \quad \text{iff } x \subseteq t$

$\text{covers}(x, t) = 0 \quad \text{or } \omega$

$$\{c\} = \{4, 5\} \quad \{E\} = \{1, 2, 3, 5\} \quad \{M\} = \{2, 3, 4\}$$

$$\{C, E\} = \{5\}$$

$$\{E, M\} = \{2, 3\}$$

$$\{D\} = \{1\}$$

$$\{Y\} = \{1, 2, 4\}$$

Because  $|D|=1$   
 $\therefore |\{D, Y\}| \leq 1$

$$\{D, Y\} = \{1\}$$

$S_i$  = set of  
 all subsets of  
 $\Sigma$  of size  
 $i$  s.t each  
 element  
 of  $S_i$   
 covers at  
 least  $m$   
 transactions

Algo

① Find all  $s_i \in \Sigma$  st  
 $|\{t \mid \text{covers}(s_i, t) = 1\}| \geq m$

$S_i$  = union of all such  $s_i$

② Given  $S_1, S_2, \dots, S_{i-1}$   
 how can I construct  $S_i$ ?  
 a)  $S_{i-k} \times S_k$       b)  $S_{i-1} \times S_{i-1}$

③ Find Subset of  $S_i$  that is actually frequent & go back to  
Different options for step ②

a)  $S_i = S_{i-k} \times S_k$  for any  $k \in [1, i-1]$   
 such that if  $S_i = S_{i-k} \cup S_k$  then  $S_{i-k}$  &  $S_k$  are disjoint  
 eg:  $\{N, K, E, Y\} \Rightarrow \{1, 2\}$

choice of  $k$  may depend on how small  $S_{i-k}$  or  $S_k$  can be

$$\begin{aligned} &\{N, K\} \cup \{E, Y\} \\ &\{N, E\} \cup \{K, Y\} \\ &\{N, Y\} \cup \{K, E\} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &\overbrace{S_2 \cup S_2'}^{\text{st } S_2 \cap S_2' = \emptyset} \quad (k=2) \\ &S \in S_2 \cap S_2' = \emptyset \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &\{N, K, E\} \cup \{Y\} \\ &\{N, K, Y\} \cup \{E\} \\ &\{K, E, Y\} \cup \{N\} \\ &\{N, E, Y\} \cup \{K\} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &\overbrace{S_3 \cup S_1}^{S \in S_3 \cap S_1 = \emptyset} \\ &S \in S_3 \cap S_1 = \emptyset \end{aligned}$$

Selectivity (size) of  $S_2$  is more

Selectivity (size) of  $S_3$  is small

than that of  
but less than

$S_3$   
 $S_1$

## Antimonotonicity property:

If  $S_n$  covers  $t$  (denoted by  $S_n \sqsubseteq t$ ) then  $\forall k \leq n, S_k$  covers  $t$  ( $S_k \sqsubseteq t$ )

The covers relation  $\sqsubseteq$  is a partial order, which means:

- ① Reflexivity:  $s \sqsubseteq s$
- ② Antisymmetry: if  $s \sqsubseteq t$  &  $t \sqsubseteq s$   
then  $s = t$
- ③ Transitivity: if  $s \sqsubseteq t$  &  $t \sqsubseteq u$   
then  $s \sqsubseteq u$

⑥ Since selectivity of  $S_{i-1}$  is more than that of  $S_{i-2} \dots$

(e.g.:  $|S_3| = 4$      $|S_2| = 6$      $|S_1| = 4$ )

**idea behind algorithm for mining frequent patterns**

$S_i = S_{i-1} \times S_{i-1}'$

Consider unioning  $S_{i-1}$  &  $S_{i-1}'$  s.t.

$$|S_{i-1} \cap S_{i-1}'| = i-2$$

i.e.  $S_{i-1}$  &  $S_{i-1}'$  have exactly 1 element differing

$$\Rightarrow |S_{i-1} \cup S_{i-1}'| = i$$

Eg:  $S_{i-1} = \{N, K, E\}$      $S_{i-1}' = \{K, E, Y\}$

$$|S_{i-1} \cap S_{i-1}'| = |\{K, E\}| = 2 = i-2$$

$$S_i = \{K, E, Y, N\}$$

These 2 search paradigms span the entire spectrum of methods for constructing "interpretable" features

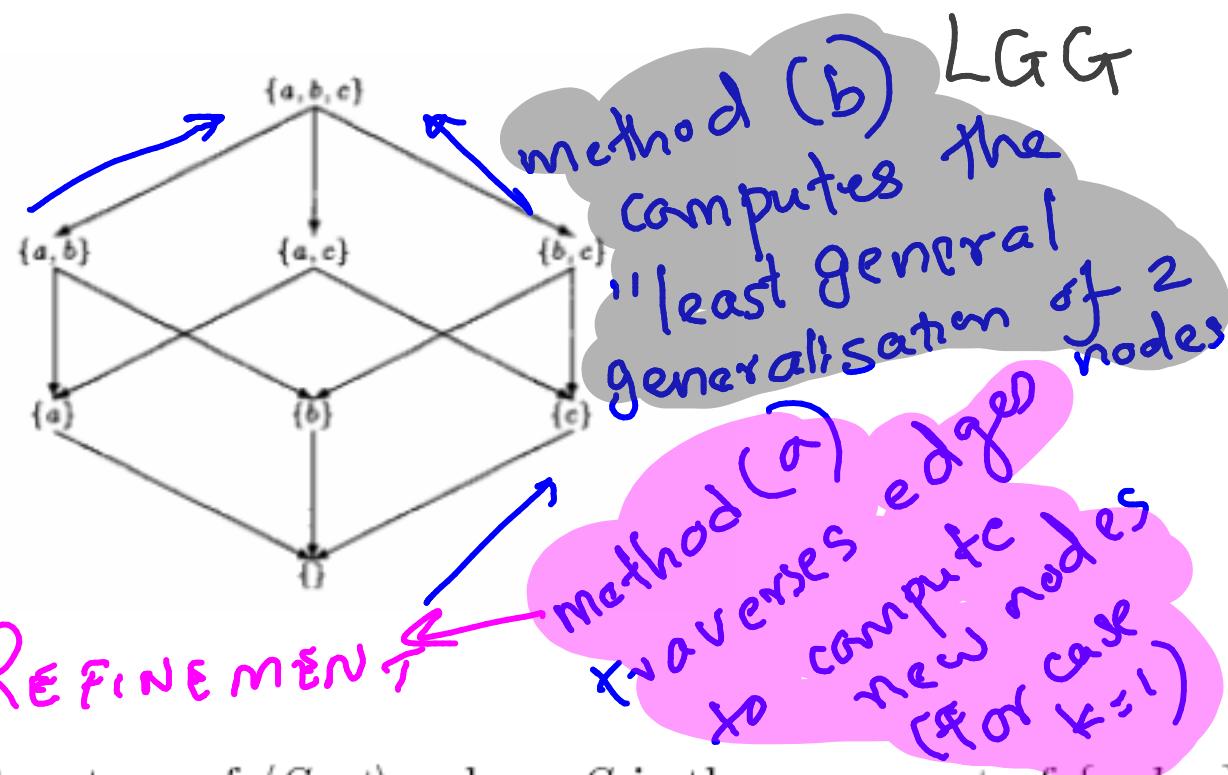


Figure 1.1: The lattice structure of  $\langle S, \preceq \rangle$ , where  $S$  is the power set of  $\{a, b, c\}$

Given a p.o  $\langle S, \sqsubseteq \rangle$  or  $\langle S, \sqsupseteq \rangle$   
 if the lgg of  $s_1 \& s_2$  is  
 $s_1 \sqcup s_2 = s$  iff

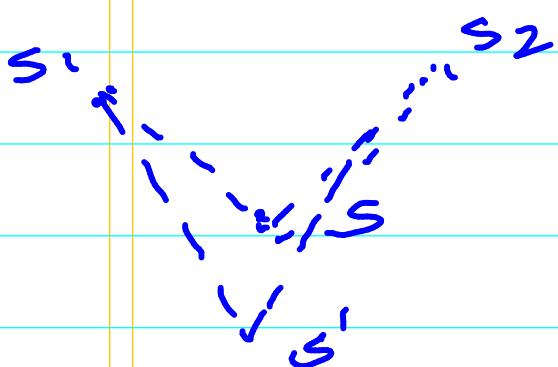
- ①  $s_1 \sqsubseteq s$
- $s_2 \sqsubseteq s$
- ② if  $\exists s'$  st,  
 $s_1 \sqsubseteq s'$  and  $s_2 \sqsubseteq s'$  then  $s \sqsubseteq s'$

lgg = least upper bound (lub)

$s \leq s'$

Given a p.o  $\langle S, \sqsubseteq \rangle$  or  $\langle S, \leq \rangle$ ,  
 the glb (greatest lower bound) of  
 $s_1 \in S$  &  $s_2 \in S$  is

$$s_1 \sqcap s_2 = s \iff \begin{cases} s \leq s_1 \\ s \leq s_2 \end{cases}$$



(2) if  $\exists s'$  st  
 $s' \leq s_1$  &  $s' \leq s_2$ , then  
 $s' \leq s$

A Partial Order  $\langle S, \leq \rangle$  or  
 $\langle S, \sqsubseteq \rangle$  for which a lub  
 and glb exist in  $S$  for  
 any  $s_1 \in S$  &  $s_2 \in S$  is called  
 a LATTICE

**NOTE:** In the table that follows, definitions of  $\leq$  could  
 be reversed to make them definitions for  $\geq$ . Eg. If  
 $s_1 \leq s_2$  then there exists  $\leq$  s.t.  $s_1 \leq s_2$  iff  $s_2 \leq s_1$ ,  
 $s_1 \sqcup_{\leq} s_2 = s_1 \sqcup_{\leq} s_2$  &  $s_1 \sqcap_{\leq} s_2 = s_1 \sqcap_{\leq} s_2$

# Kernel

## 1) Set kernels

(each eg is bag of features)  
say  $\Sigma = \text{vocab of features}$

## 2) String kernels

(eg eg is a sequence of features)  
Say  $\Sigma = \text{vocab of features}$

glb is longest common subsequence (LCS)

Corresponding  $S$ ,  
a possible  $\leq$  and whether a lattice

[ $S = \text{implicit feature space}$ ]

$$1) \#S = 2^{\sum}$$

$\leq$  is  $\subseteq$

- Yes, as seen above, we have a lattice

" $\sqcup$ " ie lub is " $\cup$ "  
(union)

" $\sqcap$ " ie glb is " $\cap$ "

• Downward refinement = deleting element from set

• Upward refinement = adding element to set

set of all subsequences

$$2) \#S = \bigcup_{K=1}^{\infty} \sum_{x \in \Sigma} \dots \sum_{\Sigma}$$

$S_1 \leq S_2$  if characters in  $S_1$  occur in  $S_2$  in same order

$$3) S_1 \sqcup S_2 = S \rightarrow \text{verify this}$$

$$4) S_1 \cap S_2 = S \rightarrow \text{exists}$$

• Downward refinement = deleting element from sequence

• Upward refinement = adding

element to sequence

## Algos for computing lcs

### 3) Parse tree kernel

(each eg is a subtree of the parse tree such that all productions are complete)

[www.di.uniba.it/~appice/publications/MLDM09.pdf](http://www.di.uniba.it/~appice/publications/MLDM09.pdf)

- 3] S = subset of first order logic language (subset language restricted to that representing parse trees)
  - $\leq \equiv \theta$  Subsumption in definite first order logic (FOL) (sections 1.4.6 & 2.1.1 of  $\downarrow$ )

[www.cse.iitb.ac.in/~cs717/notes/classNotes/extendedNotes.html](http://www.cse.iitb.ac.in/~cs717/notes/classNotes/extendedNotes.html)

- $\sqcap$  &  $\sqcup$  are defined in terms of glb & lub in definite FOL (sections 2.1.1 onwards of  $\downarrow$ )

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### 4) Rational kernel

[www.cs.bgu.ac.il/~karyeh/nptl.pdf](http://www.cs.bgu.ac.il/~karyeh/nptl.pdf)

### 5) Graph kernel

- 4] S = All weighted finite state transducers

- 4] (same as above, ie defined in terms of subset of FOL just as in the case of parse trees)
  - Additionally, " $\leq$ " could correspond to **SUBGRAPH ISOMORPHISM** discussed in earlier lectures

[en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Subgraph\\_isomorphism\\_problem](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Subgraph_isomorphism_problem)

### 6) KLLOG

- 5] S = definite clause FOL
  - Entire chapter 2 of  $\downarrow$

for all above cases, existence  
of partial order implies  
the existence of a simple  
"anti monotonic criterion" (ie  $Q(s) = \text{true} \iff s \leq \text{example}$ )

$\neg Q$  is called an anti-monotonic quality criterion iff

$$Q(s) = \text{true} \Rightarrow Q(s') = \text{true}$$

for all  $s' \leq s$

Consider the following  $Q$ 's

A  $D = \begin{bmatrix} e_1^+ & e_1^- \\ e_2^+ & e_2^- \\ \vdots & \vdots \\ e_{n_1}^+ & e_{n_2}^- \end{bmatrix}$   $n_1$  +ve &  $n_2$  -ve egz.  
Let  $S$  be the space of "features" (like one of the above) & let

$S$  could be any lattice with some " $\leq$ " & each  $e_i^+ \in S$  & each  $e_j^- \in S$

$$Q^-(s) = \text{true iff } |\{e_i^+ | s \leq e_i^+\}| \geq k$$

Is  $Q(s)$  antimonotonic? & = false o/w

$$\{\bar{e}_i^+ | s' \leq \bar{e}_i^+\} \supseteq \{e_i^+ | s \leq e_i^+\}$$

If  $s' \leq s$  &  $s \leq e_i^+ \Rightarrow s' \leq e_i^+$

(since  $\leq$  is transitive)

$\therefore$  if  $s' \leq s$

$$|\{\bar{e}_i^+ | s' \leq \bar{e}_i^+\}| \geq |\{e_i^+ | s \leq e_i^+\}|$$

$\Rightarrow Q$  will be antimonotonic

(B)

① is same as before

pos - neg

$Q(s) = \text{true iff}$

$$|\{e_i^+ | s \leq e_i^+\}| - |\{e_j^- | s \leq e_j^-\}|$$

= false o/w

$\geq k$

i.e. (pos-neg) loss should  $\geq k$

Ans:  $\mathcal{Q}$  is NOT antimonotonic

Proof: By counter example  $[H|\omega]$

(c)  $\mathcal{D}$  is same as before

$\mathcal{Q}(s) = \text{True} \iff \text{max margin loss} \geq k$

Ans:  $\mathcal{Q}$  is NOT antimonotonic

Proof: By

$[H|\omega]$

Q: For general quality criteria  $\mathcal{Q}(s)$  that are antimonotonic, you could use the frequent pattern mining algo (using subroutines (a) or (b) discussed earlier) to search for all the "good" patterns in  $\langle S, \leq \rangle$

• But if  $Q(S)$  is not antimonotonic,  
What can you do?  $\rightarrow$  Data Mining problem

• Instead of asking for  $\rightarrow$  Machine  
Learning problem

$$S^* = \{s \in S \mid Q(s) = \text{True}\}$$

If I asked for

$$S^* = \operatorname{argmax}_{S' \subseteq S} \text{objective}(S')$$

$$S' \subseteq S$$

pos-neg

likelihood  
of data  $D$   
based on  $S'$

e.g:

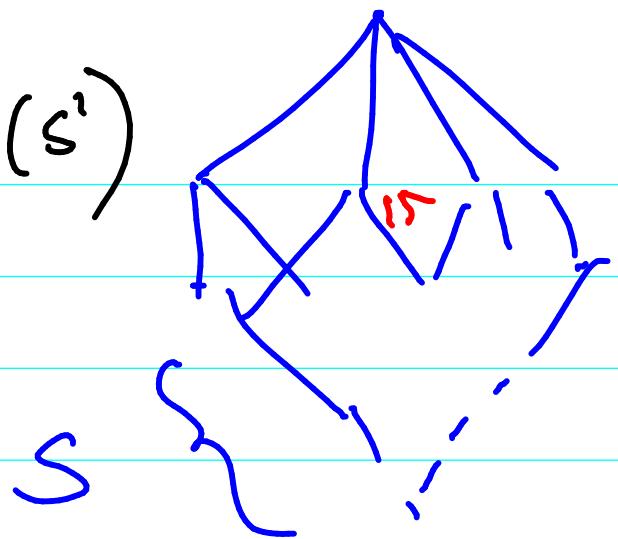
hinge loss -  
with regulariser  
based on  $D$

how do you search for  $S^*$   
effectively.

The Machine Learning problem can  
be more interesting & generic:-

Approaches to solve the search  
problem (say machine learning  
setting)

Find  $S^* \in \arg\min_{S \subseteq S} \text{obj}(S')$



option ①

DFS (exhaustive search) +

Traverse  
subsets of all  
nodes & find  
best

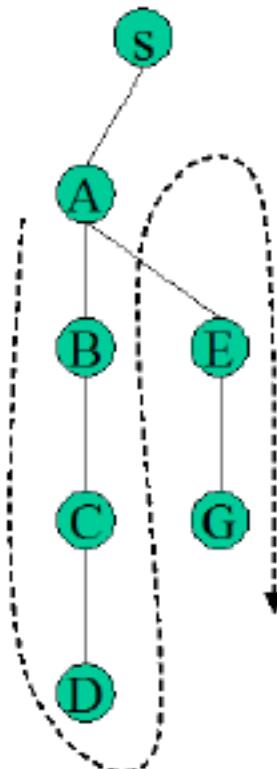


Figure 6.5: The DFS tree from  $S$  to  $G$  through the map in Figure 6.3.

Read about all these search algos  
in chapter 6 of

option ②  
 Greedy hill climbing = Greedy DFS  
 Greedy for DFS  
 (Greedy)

To choose  
 next node at A

$$N^* = \arg \max \text{obj}(\{S, A, N\})$$

$$N = B \text{ or}$$

$$N = E$$

At A, find  
 and most "promising"  
 choice between B & E

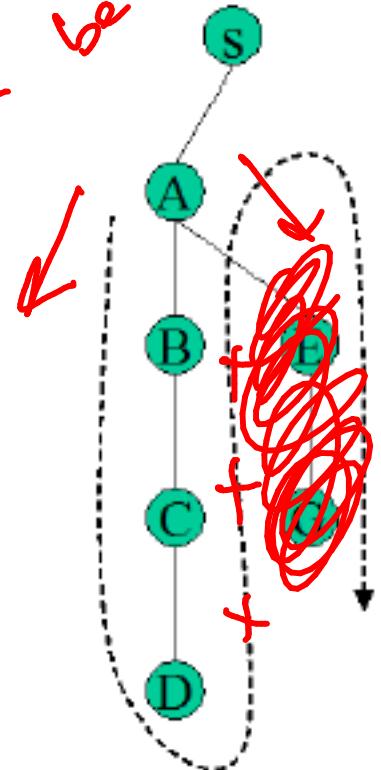


Figure 6.5: The DFS tree from  $S$  to  $G$  through the map

$$N^* = \arg \max \text{obj} [\{\{S, A, B\}, \{S, A, E\}\}]$$

Examples of algos/approaches that use this idea

a) ML Rules: Greedy search over simple conjunctions of features  
 Objective used = Likelihood of

naive bayes  
model over the  
set  $S'$

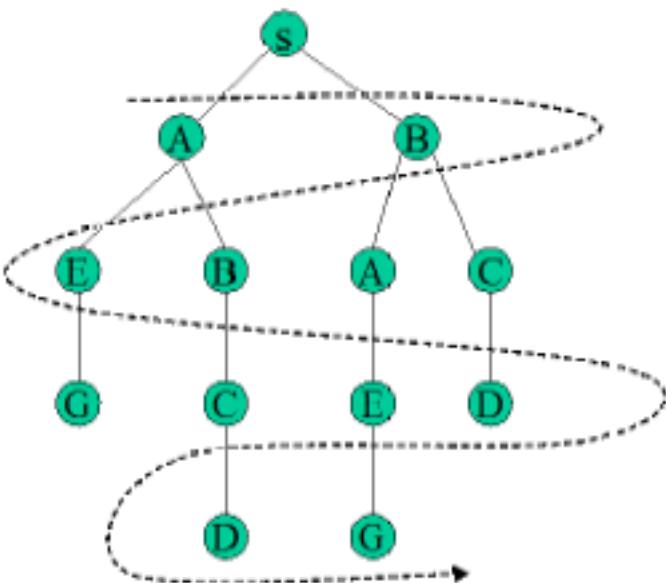
(b) kFOIL: Greedy search over  
space of first order  
features

objective used = SVM objective/  
SVM accuracy

(c) nFOIL: Like kFOIL, searches  
over space of first  
order features

objective used = likelihood  
of Naive Bayes (MLRules)

(d)  
By breadth  
first search  
Exhaustive  
search (if not  
feasible)



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BEAM SEARCH = Greedy BFS

Breadth  
Search but  
retain & expand  
only top  
promising nodes  
at each level

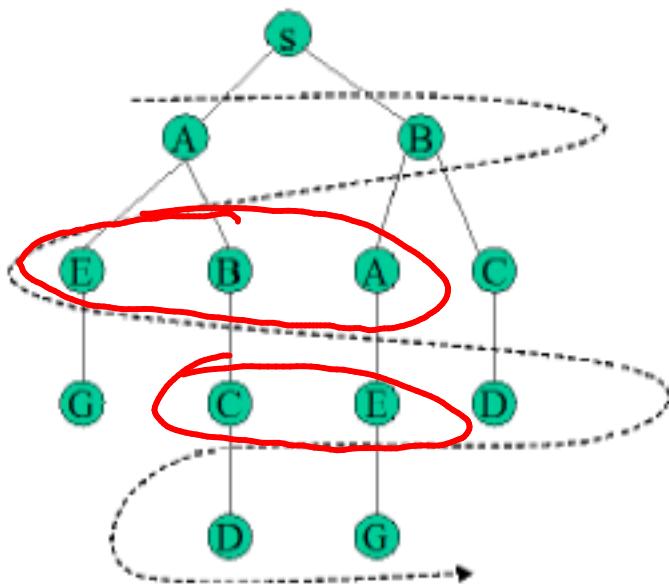


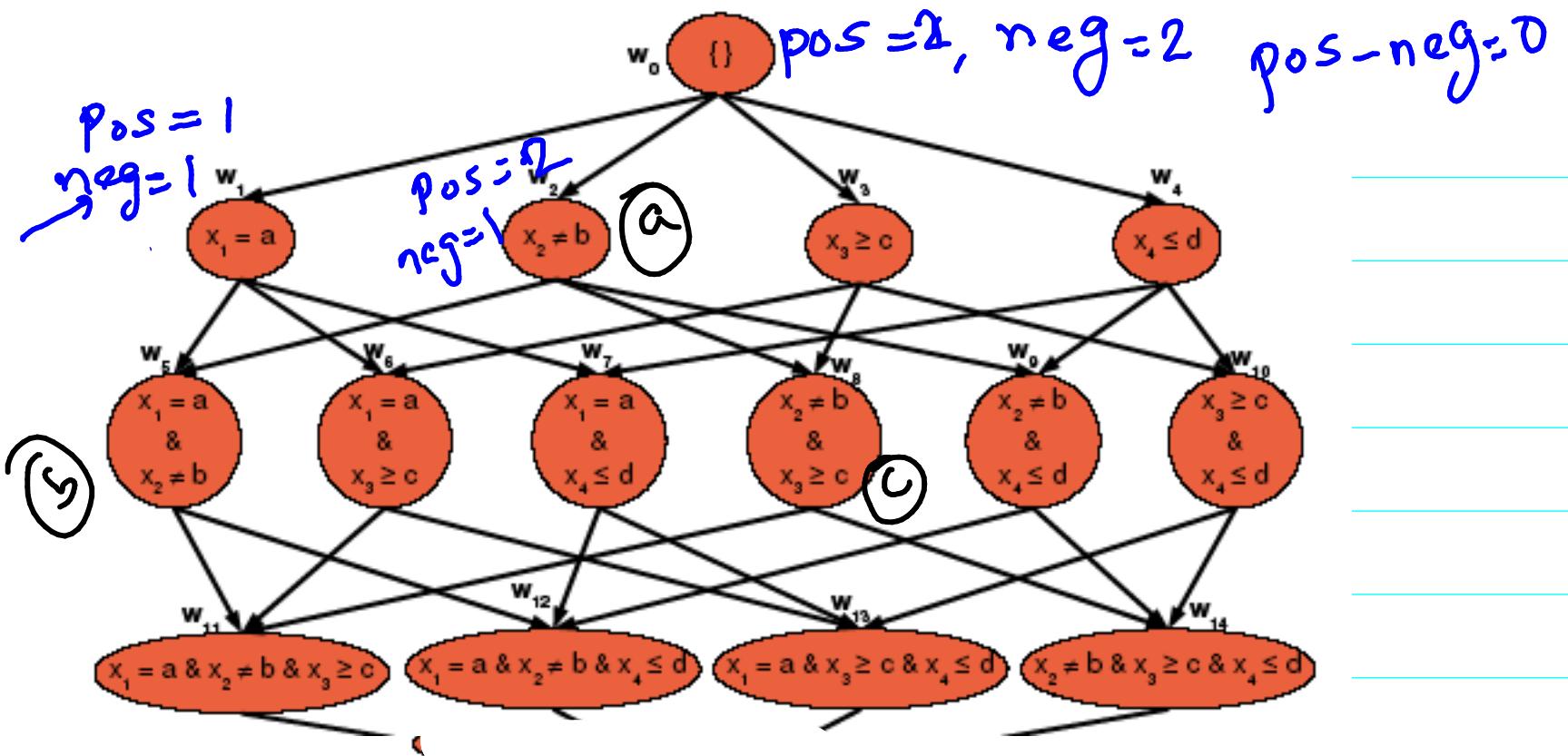
Figure 6.6: The BFS tree from  $S$  to  $G$  through the map in Figure 6.3.

Non-exhaustive

e.g.: Decision tree construction in propositional as well as first order logic [TILDE]

⑤

Branch & Bound search



$$D = \left\{ \begin{array}{l} e_i^f = \left\{ \begin{array}{l} x_1 = a \\ x_2 \neq b \end{array} \right\} \\ e_i^- = \left\{ \begin{array}{l} x_1 \neq a \\ x_2 \neq b \end{array} \right\} \\ e_2^f = \left\{ \begin{array}{l} x_2 \neq b \\ x_3 \geq c \end{array} \right\} \\ e_2^- = \left\{ \begin{array}{l} x_1 = a \\ x_3 \geq c \end{array} \right\} \end{array} \right.$$

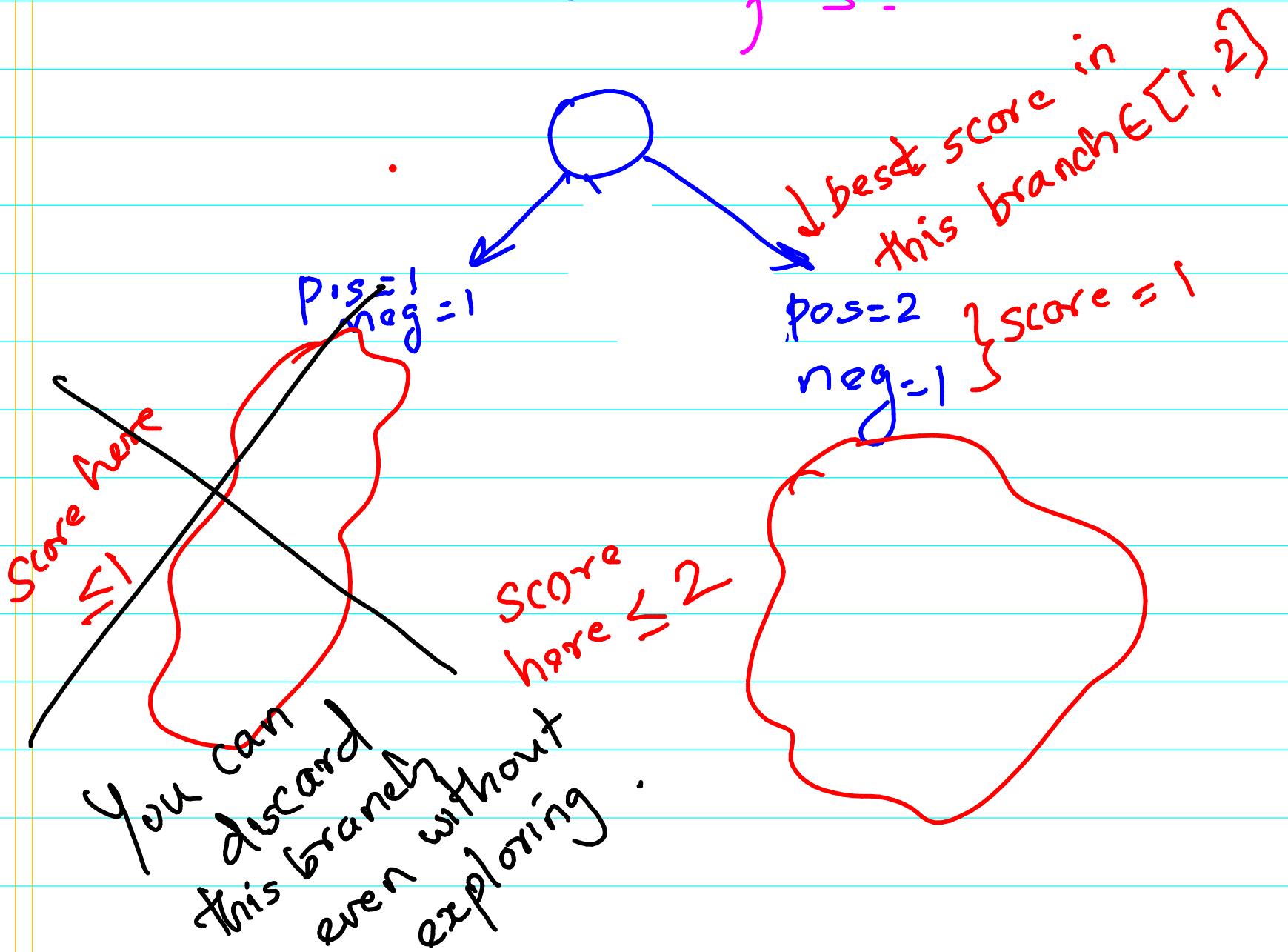
Find  $s^*$  s.t.  $s^* = \arg \min_{s \in S} \text{pos}(s) - \text{neg}(s)$

If  $\text{pos}(s)$  &  $\text{neg}(s)$  are # of positive & negative examples covered by  $s$ ,

then  $\forall s' \in S, pos(s') \leq pos(s)$   
 $\hookrightarrow \exists \{ \subseteq 0 \leq neg(s') \leq neg(s)$

$$\Rightarrow pos(s') - neg(s') \leq pos(s)$$

$pos(s)$  is an upper bound on score of all children of  $s$ .



In fact, we can show that

$$\text{node } \textcircled{a} = \operatorname{argmax}_{s \in S} \text{pos}(s) - \text{neg}(s) \quad (*)$$

our branch & bound works for this

$$\{\textcircled{b}, \textcircled{c}\} = \operatorname{argmax}_{S' \subseteq S} \sum_{s \in S'} \text{pos}(s) - \text{neg}(s)$$

(≈)

While for pos-neg,  
a bound for  $(\approx)$   
is not known, we  
have bounds found for  
this obj ↴

How abt  
branch & bound  
for this?

### Generalized HKL

$$\min_{w,b} \frac{1}{2} \left( \sum_{v \in \mathcal{V}} d_v \|w_{D(v)}\|_\rho \right)^2 + C \sum_{i=1}^m L \left( y^i, \sum_{v \in \mathcal{V}} w_v R_v(x^i) - b \right) = \text{obj}(\mathcal{V}' \subseteq \mathcal{V})$$

where  $1 < \rho \leq 2$ .

Hierarchical & norm  
regulariser

We solve

$$S \equiv \mathcal{V}$$

$$\operatorname{argmax}_{\mathcal{V}' \subseteq \mathcal{V}} \text{obj}(\mathcal{V}')$$

using branch & bound

bound is just  
/ a sufficient  
condition

We have also extended this branch and bound approach to a modified StructSVM formulation (Regulariser modified as above)

All this and more at

<http://www.cse.iitb.ac.in/~cs717/notes/classNotes/InterpretableFeatures/featureInductionTalk.pdf>