

Refinement operators [Procedural counterpart of $\geq$]

Recall

LUB

$l_{gg} / n_{lgg} / l_{gi} / R_{gvi}$



Gets well with Occam's razor

Downward covers

refinement - reverse along cover links

About refining clauses

$p(c) = 0$

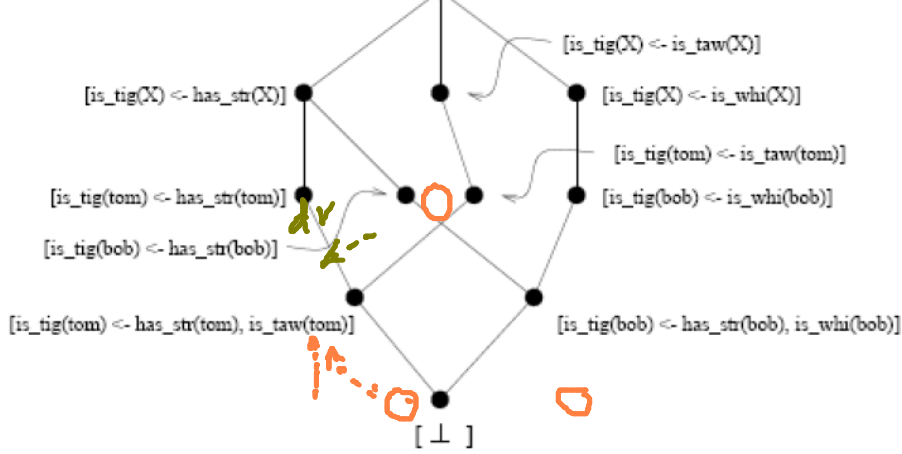
Generality of clause: $g(H) = \sum_{x \in X, H \models x, x \text{ is clause}} p(x)$

GLB: Very nondeterministic



Upward covers: Too many steps to generalize





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Recall.

Note: Taking

2 examples at

a time can

enable large

steps: It may not

be robust noise

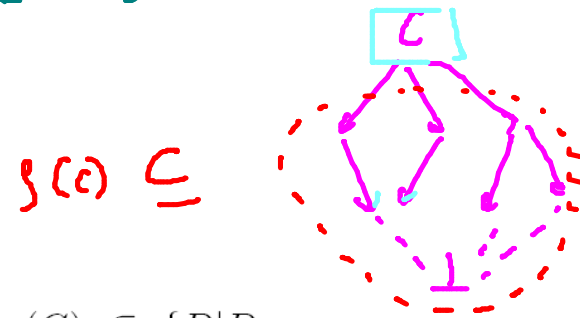
Lub(vlgg) takes the

examples too serious

Refinement operators (also how to incorporate background knowledge)

Example downward refinement:- $P(x) \rightarrow P(f(x))$

Top down search algos for ILP use downward refinement



- ρ is a downward refinement operator if $\forall C \in S : \rho(C) \subseteq \{D \mid D \in S \text{ and } C \succeq D\}$
- δ is an upward refinement operator if $\forall C \in S : \delta(C) \subseteq \{D \mid D \in S \text{ and } D \succeq C\}$

$$l = \begin{cases} V = W & \text{where } V, W \text{ occur in } C \\ V = f(X_1, X_2, \dots, X_{n_f}) & \text{where } V \text{ occurs in } C \\ & \text{and } f/n_f \in \mathcal{L} \text{ and} \\ & \text{the } X_i \text{ are distinct} \\ q(X_1, X_2, \dots, X_{n_q}) & \text{where } q/n_q \in \mathcal{L} \\ & \text{and the } X_i \text{ occur in } C \end{cases}$$

} $\mathcal{L}$ is language

eg: of $\mathcal{P}(C)$: Assume $=/2$ is an equality relation

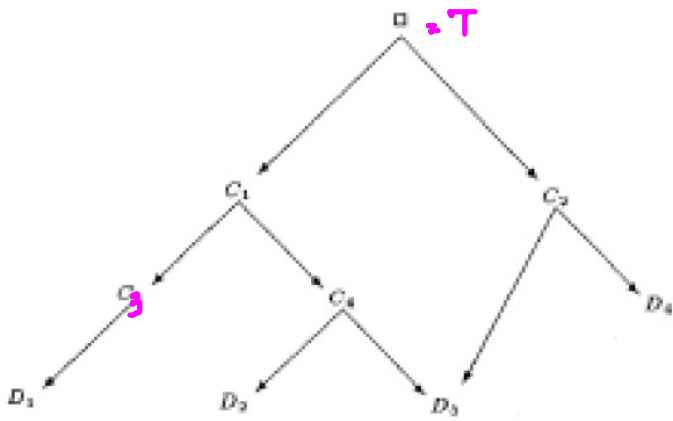
Assume, $V, W, f(x_1 \dots x_{n_f})$, are terms in G

$q(x_1 \dots x_{n_q})$ is a predicate

→ Note: $D \subseteq (\cup \{l\})$ is also another $\mathcal{P}(C)$

→ Thus many $\mathcal{P}(C)$ are possible. Q: Which one to choose

↳ For eg, this $\mathcal{P}(C)$ does not guarantee reachability



[Q: can $\mathcal{S}^*(\square)$ help you reach Σ]

So many different $\mathcal{S}(C)$ are possible. Which to choose?

Say:- $\Sigma = \{D_2, D_3, D_4\}$ is correct theory [could be that D_2, D_3 & D_4 cover Σ^+ & D_1 covers Σ^-]
 $\mathcal{S}(\square) = \{C_1, C_2\}$, $\mathcal{S}(C_1) = \{C_3, C_4\}$, $\mathcal{S}(C_2) = \{D_3, D_4\}$
 $\mathcal{S}(C_3) = \{D_1\}$, $\mathcal{S}(C_4) = \{D_2, D_3\}$

$\mathcal{S}$: chosen such that theories covering correct examples can be reached (as hopefully as quickly as possible)

Roughly.. $\mathcal{S}$ handles recall, "eval" measure handles precision
 (can bias choice from)

Want $\{ s.t. \} S^*(\text{top clause}) \ni \text{correct theory}$.

$\hookrightarrow$ If top clause = $T = \square$, then you want every clause to be reachable.

$\hookrightarrow$ If top clause = " $\text{gfather}(X, Y) \leftarrow$ ", you want every definition of gfather reachable.



Notations

$S(C)$

$S^k(C)$

$S^*(C) = \bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} S^i(C)$

S chain: from C to D is a sequence $C = C_0, C_1, \dots, C_n = D$ & $C_i \in S(C_{i-1})$ for $i = 1 \dots n$

$\Rightarrow$ Gives you a "refinement graph"

Want: - C covering $E^+ \in$ refinement graph

Some desirable properties of ρ (and dually δ) are that they be:

1. **Locally Finite:** $\forall C \in \mathcal{C}$: $\rho(C)$ is finite and computable. Otherwise ρ will be of limited use in practice.
2. **Complete:** $\forall C \succ D$: $\exists E \in \rho^*(C)$ s.t. $E \sim D$. That is, every specialization should be reachable by a finite number of applications of the operator.
3. **Proper:** $\forall C \in \mathcal{C}$: $\rho(C) \subseteq \{D \mid D \in S \text{ and } C \succ D\}$. That is, it is better only to compute proper generalizations of a clause, for otherwise repeated application of the operator might get stuck in a sequence of equivalent clauses (such as the application of inverse reduction in Section 2.3), without ever achieving any real specialization.

$E \succ \rho(C) \not\sim D \not\succ E$

if all
3 props,
called
IDEAL

[ie if $E \sim C$ then

$\rho(C) \ni E$



Your steps are non-trivial

$\Rightarrow$ A ref graph.
 - finite # edges starting at each node (1)
 - a path of finite length from C to some $E \in \rho^*(C)$ (2)
 - no cycles (3)

ideal ref operators exist for atoms

Definition 7 Let A be the set of atoms in a language. The ^{ideal} downward refinement operator ρ_A for A is defined as follows:

1. For every variable z in an atom A and every n -ary function symbol f in the language, let $x_1, \dots, x_n$ be distinct variables not appearing in A . Let $\rho_A(A)$ contain $A\{z/f(x_1, \dots, x_n)\}$.
2. For every variable z in A and every constant a in the language let $\rho_A(A)$ contain $A\{z/a\}$.
3. For every two distinct variables x and z in A , let $\rho_A(A)$ contain $A\{z/x\}$.

eg: ① $p(x, y, z) \rightarrow \begin{cases} p(x, y, f(x_1, x_2)) \\ p(f(x_1, x_2), y, z) \\ p(x, f(x_1, x_2), z) \end{cases} \quad \left. \begin{array}{l} \text{for every } n\text{-ary} \\ \text{fun.} \end{array} \right\}$

② special case of ① with 0-ary fun $\Rightarrow$ constant

③ $p(x, y, z) \rightarrow \begin{cases} p(x, x, z) \\ p(x, z, z) \\ p(x, y, x) \end{cases} \quad \left. \begin{array}{l} \exists c_2 \end{array} \right\} \text{ (think of it as adding a new predicate } \hat{x} = z \text{)}$

An ideal upward refinement for atoms ($\delta(A)$)

Definition 8 Let A be the set of atoms in a language. The upward refinement operator δ_A for A is defined as follows:

1. For every $t = f(x_1, \dots, x_n)$ in A , for which $x_1, \dots, x_n$ are distinct variables and each occurrence of some x_i in A is within an occurrence of t , $\delta_A(A)$ contains an atom obtained by replacing all occurrences of t in A by some new variable z not in A .
2. For every constant a in A and every non-empty subset of the set of occurrences of a in A , $\delta_A(A)$ contains an atom obtained by replacing those occurrences of a in A by some new variable z not in A .
3. For every variable x in A and every non-empty proper subset of the set of occurrences of x in A , $\delta_A(A)$ contains an atom obtained by replacing those occurrences of x in A by some new variable z not in A . Note that in this last item, we cannot replace all occurrences of x by a new variable z , for then we would get a variant of A . For instance, $P(z, a, z)$ is a variant of $A = P(x, a, x)$.

Locally finite
Complete
Proper

$$\textcircled{1} \quad P(f(x_1, x_2), y, z) \rightarrow P(z_1, y, z)$$

$$P(f(\underline{x_1}, \underline{x_2}), \underline{y}, \underline{z})$$

$$P(f(x_1, x_2), f(x_1, x_2), z)$$

$\textcircled{2}$ Special case of 1 for 0-ary fns.

$$\textcircled{3} \quad P(x, f(x), y, g(z, r(x))) \rightarrow P(\underline{x}, f(\underline{x}), y, g(\underline{z}, r(\underline{x})))$$

$$\rightarrow P(\underline{z}', f(\underline{x}), y, g(\underline{z}, r(\underline{z}')))$$

$$\textcircled{+} \rightarrow P(\underline{z}', f(\underline{z}'), y, g(\underline{z}, r(\underline{z}')))$$

$\therefore$ Renaming $\Rightarrow$ Improper

For general clauses, ideal refinements ops

do not exist

↳ Recall:- $C_n = \{p(x_i, x_j) \mid i \neq j \text{ \& } 1 \leq i, j \leq n\} \quad n \geq 2$
& $C = \{q(x_1, x_2)\}$

can show! $C_2 > C_3 > C_4 \dots > C_n \dots > C$

$\Rightarrow C$ does not have an upward cover.

$\Rightarrow$ completeness not possible. If properness is imposed (completeness may require redundancy)

C_1
 C_2
 $\vdots$
 C_n
 $\vdots$
 C

↓ infinite elements just above C

Compromising

① finiteness = insensible

② completeness is valuable

③ properness is least important

④ finite & complete $\mathcal{S}_L$ is possible :- $\begin{cases} \text{by applying elem. subst} \\ \text{adding literals (most general)} \end{cases}$

Definition 9 Let C be a clausal language. The locally finite and complete downward refinement operator ρ_L for $\langle C, \succeq \rangle$ is defined as follows:

(a) Apply a substitution to a clause C in one of the following ways:

- For every variable z in a clause C and every n -ary function symbol f in the language, let $x_1, \dots, x_n$ be distinct variables not appearing in C . Let $\rho_L(C)$ contain $C\{z/f(x_1, \dots, x_n)\}$.
- For every variable z in C and every constant a in the language, let $\rho_L(C)$ contain $C\{z/a\}$.
- For every two distinct variables x and z in C , let $\rho_L(C)$ contain $C\{z/x\}$.

} Similar to $\mathcal{S}(A)$

Not proper! check on $C = \{P(x)\}$ & $D = \{P(a), P(y)\}$
but $P(x) \not\succeq P(a)$

(b) Add a literal to a clause C : For every n -ary predicate symbol P in the language, let $x_1, \dots, x_n$ be distinct variables not appearing in C . Then ρ_L contains both $C \vee \{P(x_1, \dots, x_n)\}$ and $C \vee \{\neg P(x_1, \dots, x_n)\}$. Note that the literals $P(x_1, \dots, x_n)$ and $\neg P(x_1, \dots, x_n)$ that are added to C by the fourth item in the definition are most general with respect to C .

} additional part . . .

$\hookrightarrow x_1 \dots x_n$ do not appear in C

ex: $\{P(x)\} \dashrightarrow \{P(a), P(b)\}$

Definition 10 Let $\mathcal{C}$ be a clausal language. The locally finite and complete upward refinement operator δ_u for $\langle \mathcal{C}, \succeq \rangle$ is defined as follows:

(a) Apply one of the following inverse substitution operations:

- i. For every $t = f(x_1, \dots, x_n)$ in $\mathcal{C}$, for which all x_i are distinct variables and each occurrence of x_i in a clause C is within an occurrence of t , $\delta_u(C)$ contains the clause obtained by replacing all occurrences of t in C by some new variable z not previously in C .
- ii. For every constant a in $\mathcal{C}$ and every non-empty subset of the set of occurrences of a in $\overline{C} = \text{dup}(C, a)$, if $\overline{D}$ is the ordered clause obtained by replacing those occurrences of a in $\overline{C}$ by the new variable z , then $\delta_u(C)$ contains D , where D is the set of literals in the ordered clause $\overline{D}$.
 $\text{dup}(C, t)$ is defined as follows. If $C = \{L_1, \dots, L_n\}$ is a clause and t a term occurring in C and suppose t occurs k_1 times in L_1 , k_2 times in L_2 , etc. Then $\text{dup}(C, t) = \overline{C}$ is an ordered clause consisting of 2^{k_1} copies of L_1 , 2^{k_2} copies of L_2 , $\dots$ and 2^{k_n} copies of L_n . Note that if some $L \in C$ does not contain the term t , then $\overline{C}$ contains L $2^0 = 1$ times, as it should.
- iii. For every variable x in $\mathcal{C}$ and every non-empty proper subset of the set of occurrences of x in $\overline{C} = \text{dup}(C, x)$, if $\overline{D}$ is the ordered clause obtained by replacing those occurrences of x in $\overline{C}$ by the new variable z , then $\delta_u(C)$ contains D .

(b) **Remove a literal from the body of a clause:** If $C = D \cup \{L\}$ and L is a most general literal with respect to D , then $\delta_u(C)$ contains D .

Complete &
finite upward
refinement.

Compromising requirement of completeness

MIS, FOIL, CLAUDIEN, LINUS, PROLOG

↳ For reasons of efficiency

FOIL

$p(x,y) \leftarrow$

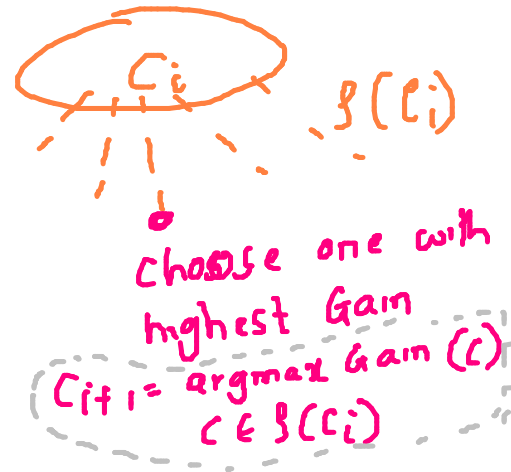
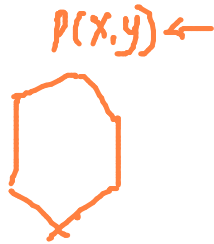
① head clause

② considers only addition of literals (L_i)

$g(x_1^{new}, x_2^{new}, \dots, x_1^{old}, \dots, x_2^{old})$ OR

$x_1^{old} = x_2^{old}$

(No function / constant substs)



Training examples		Background knowledge	
daughter(mary, ann).	$\oplus$	parent(ann, mary).	female(ann).
daughter(eve, tom).	$\oplus$	parent(ann, tom).	female(mary).
daughter(tom, ann).	$\ominus$	parent(tom, eve).	female(eve).
daughter(eve, ann).	$\ominus$	parent(tom, ian).	

Σ_i = examples covered by C_i

Current clause c_1 : daughter(X, Y) $\leftarrow$			
$\mathcal{E}_1$	(mary, ann) $\oplus$	$n_1^{\oplus} = 2$	$I(c_1) = 1.00$
	(eve, tom) $\oplus$	$n_1^{\ominus} = 2$	
	(tom, ann) $\ominus$	$L_1 = \text{female}(X)$	
	(eve, ann) $\ominus$	Gain(L_1) = 0.84	$n_1^{\oplus\oplus} = 2$
Current clause c_2 : daughter(X, Y) $\leftarrow$ female(X), L_1			
$\mathcal{E}_2$	(mary, ann) $\oplus$	$n_2^{\oplus} = 2$	$I(c_2) = 0.58$
	(eve, tom) $\oplus$	$n_2^{\ominus} = 1$	
	(eve, ann) $\ominus$	$L_2 = \text{parent}(Y, X)$	
		Gain(L_2) = 1.16	$n_2^{\oplus\oplus} = 2$
Current clause c_3 : daughter(X, Y) $\leftarrow$ female(X), parent(Y, X)			
$\mathcal{E}_3$	(mary, ann) $\oplus$	$n_3^{\oplus} = 2$	$I(c_3) = 0.00$
	(eve, tom) $\oplus$	$n_3^{\ominus} = 0$	

$\mathcal{S}(C_1)$
 $\mathcal{S}(C_3)$

Σ_2 = set of
egs in Σ_1
which satisfy
 L_1
 $\Sigma_{i+1} = \Sigma_i \bowtie L_i$

$I(C_i) = -\log_2 \left(\frac{n_i^{\oplus}}{n_i} \right)$
info needed for
true signal using C_i

Gain(L_i) =
($I(C_i) - I(C_{i+1})$) * $n_i^{\oplus\oplus}$ reflects
redundancy of
 L_i

$n_i^{\oplus\oplus}$ = # of
true tuples in
 Σ_i represented
in Σ_{i+1}

What if L_i introduces new vars

Current clause $c_1 : \text{daughter}(X, Y) \leftarrow$				
$\mathcal{E}_1$	(mary, ann)	$\oplus$		$n_1^{\oplus} = 2$
	(eve, tom)	$\oplus$		$n_1^{\ominus} = 2$
	(tom, ann)	$\ominus$	$L_1 = \text{parent}(Y, Z)$	
	(eve, ann)	$\ominus$	Gain: η_1	$n_1^{\oplus\oplus} = 2$
Current clause $c_2 : \text{daughter}(X, Y) \leftarrow \text{parent}(Y, Z)$				
$\mathcal{E}_2$	(mary, ann, mary)	$\oplus$		$n_2^{\oplus} = 4$
	(mary, ann, tom)	$\oplus$		
	(eve, tom, eve)	$\oplus$		
	(eve, tom, ian)	$\oplus$		
	(tom, ann, mary)	$\ominus$		$n_2^{\ominus} = 4$
	(tom, ann, tom)	$\ominus$		
	(eve, ann, mary)	$\ominus$		
	(eve, ann, tom)	$\ominus$		

Tom story continues

$$\mathcal{E}_{i+1} = \mathcal{E}_i \bowtie L_i$$

You do not seem to get rid of any $\ominus$ res in $\mathcal{E}_2$

Pruning criterion: Best gain so far $> \underbrace{n_{i,k}^{\oplus\oplus} * I(c_i)}_{\text{By introducing new vars in } L_i}$

Diagram showing a sequence of literals $L_1, L_2, \dots, L_k$ with arrows indicating a process flow.

'Overall FOIL'

① $\Sigma_{\text{cur}} = \Sigma$

② $\mathcal{H} = \phi$

③ repeat set covering {

④ - - - - - Initialize $C := T \leftarrow$

⑤ - - - - Find C_{best}

⑥ - - - - $\hat{C} = C_{\text{best}}$

⑦ - - - Post process C by removing irrelevant lits
to get C'

⑧ - - - - $\mathcal{H}' = \mathcal{H} \cup \{C'\}$

⑨ - - - - $\Sigma'_{\text{cur}} = \Sigma_{\text{cur}} - \text{covers}(\mathcal{B}, \{C'\}, \Sigma_{\text{cur}})$

⑩ - - - - $\Sigma_{\text{cur}} = \Sigma'_{\text{cur}}$, $\mathcal{H} = \mathcal{H}'$

⑪ until $\Sigma_{\text{cur}} = \phi$ or encoding length restriction violated

Mainly determinate
literals.

For noise
handling

Encoding length for c_i w.r.t Σ_{curr}

$$EL(c_i, \Sigma_{curr}) = \log_2(n_{curr}) + \log_2\left(\underbrace{\binom{n_{curr}}{n^{\oplus}(c_i)}}_{\text{\# of set choices possible}}\right)$$

$\underbrace{\hspace{10em}}$ # of set choices possible

of bits needed to specify the egs covered by a c_i

(related MDL)

Requirement : $EL(c_i, \Sigma_{curr}) \leq \Delta$ (so that c_i does not become toooooo long)

(FOL 2.0) Determinate Literals:-

A lit is det, if each of its vars that do not appear in preceding lits has only one possible binding, given the bindings of its vars that appear in preceding lits

Eg:

Training examples	
grandmother(ann, bob).	$\oplus$
grandmother(ann, sue).	$\oplus$
grandmother(bob, sue).	$\ominus$
grandmother(tom, bob).	$\ominus$

Background knowledge		
father(zak, tom).	father(pat, ann).	father(zak, jim).
mother(ann, tom).	mother(liz, ann).	mother(ann, jim).
father(tom, sue).	father(tom, bob).	father(jim, dave).
mother(eve, sue).	mother(eve, bob).	mother(jean, dave).

$grandmother(X, Y) \leftarrow \text{father}(\bar{Z}, Y), mother(X, Z).$
 $grandmother(X, Y) \leftarrow mother(U, Y), mother(X, U).$

Det lit's help
broaden horizon

Both clauses
are determinate

Z in $father(Z, Y)$ has only one
 value given a value for Y
 "Since every person has only
 one father"

If L_i is det $\Rightarrow \eta_{i+1}^{\oplus} = \eta_i^{\oplus}$, $\eta_{i+1}^{\ominus} = \eta_i^{\ominus} \Rightarrow \text{Gain}(L_i) = 0$

While traditional FOIL does greedy hill climbing, it avoids
 det lit's (gain being 0) & $\therefore$ may miss good theories

Q: When should you consider adding a det lit?

Ans:- If no lit has gain close to max, all determinate lits are added.

In the gain $\approx \text{max}$, it means $\exists$ a literal which gets rid of all -ve examples

Problem:- Many determinate lits added, may never be expanded on

$\text{grandmother}(X, Y) \leftarrow \text{father}(Z, Y), \text{mother}(X, Z), \text{mother}(U, Y)$
 $\text{grandmother}(X, Y) \leftarrow \text{mother}(U, Y), \text{mother}(X, U).$

↓
removed thru post processing

If $\text{Gain}(c) \equiv \text{Likelihood} \equiv n \cdot \text{foil}$.
 $\models$ Highest SVM $F1 \equiv k \cdot \text{foil}$