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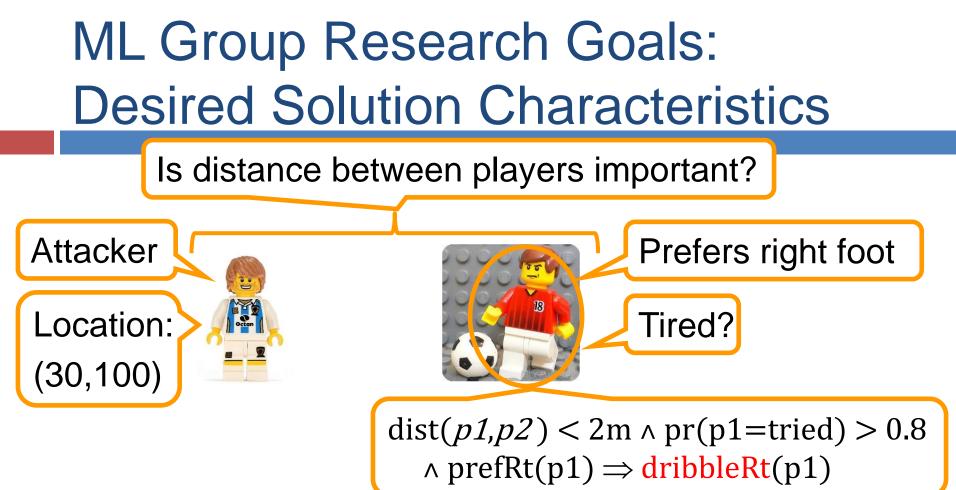
Research Program: Jesse Davis

Technology Push: Significantly advance the state of the art in machine learning

Applications drive innovation in machine learning

Anticipate scientific advances needed to address applications

Application Pull: Use machine learning to address significant problems in health, sports, and their intersection



- 1. Represent discrete and continuous attributes
- 2. Model uncertainty
- 3. Capture important relationships
- 4. Incorporate domain knowledge
- 5. Produce interpretable output

Part I: Learning Probabilistic (Relational) Models



Learning while accounting for model use

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Learning the structure of probabilistic relational models

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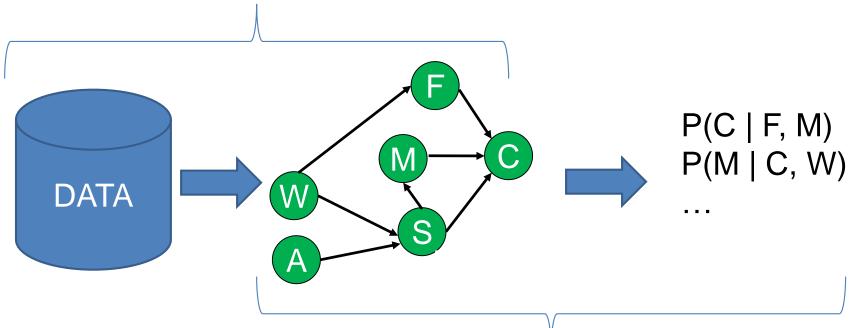
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Motivation

Learning is hard and requires lots of approximations



Inference is hard and model has big effect on inference

Problem: Learning and inference treated separately, but really should consider model use at learning stage

Three Directions

Prediction with learned models that considers energy constraints [Verachtert et al. IJCAI'16]

 Learning tractable for Markov logic networks [Van Haaren et al. MLJ'16]

Expanding the set of queries that can be answered efficiently [Bekker et al. NIPS'15]

Motivation

- Learned models are increasingly deployed on portable devices with resource constraints
 - Battery
 - Memory
 - Etc.
- Goal: Prediction with learned models must account for these constraints
 - Focus NOT on training efficiency: Done off line





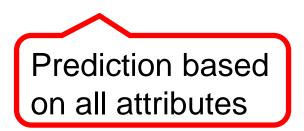




Prediction with Naïve Bayes

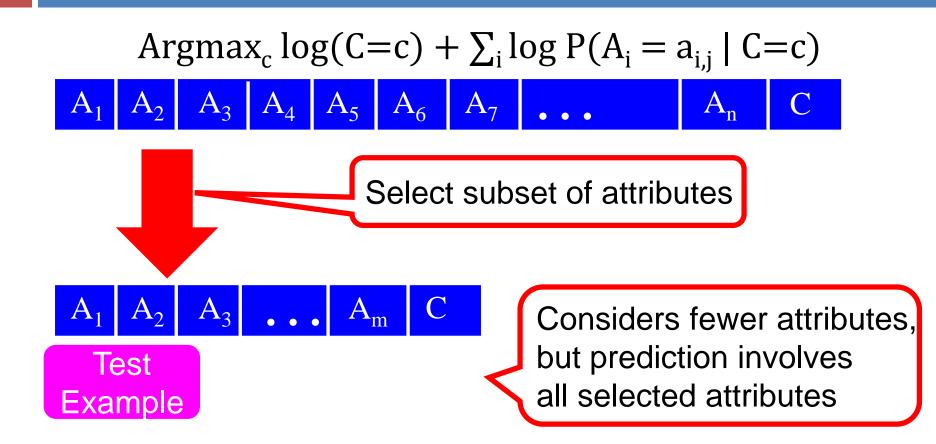
Argmax_c log(C=c) +
$$\sum_{i}$$
 log P(A_i = a_{i,j} | C=c)
A₁ A₂ A₃ A₄ A₅ A₆ A₇ ... A_n C





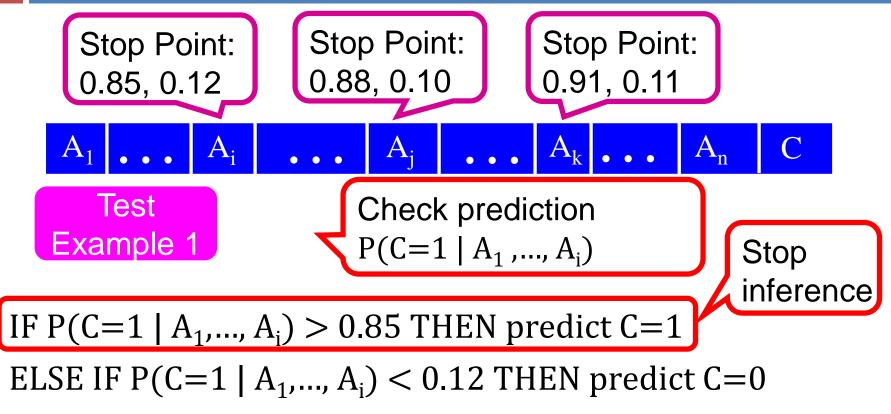
Question: Can we improve prediction efficiency?

Idea 1: Feature Selection



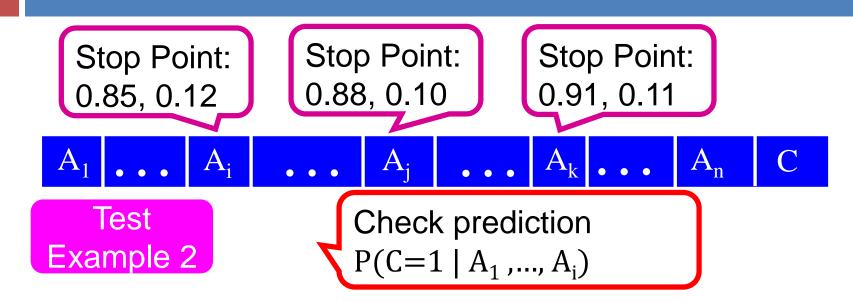
Question: Can we do better?

Our Idea: Naïve Bayes with Stop Points



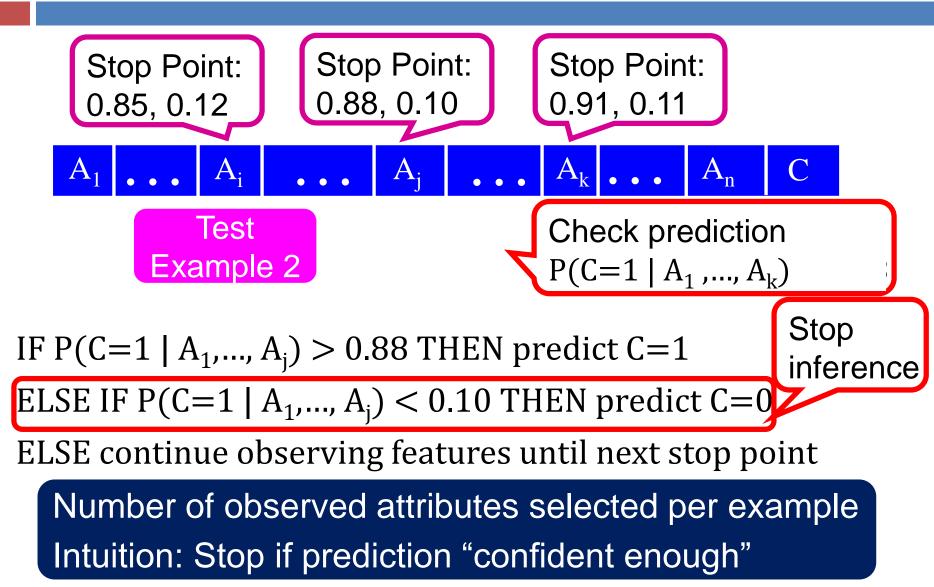
ELSE continue observing features until next stop point

Our Idea: Naïve Bayes with Stop Points



IF $P(C=1 | A_1, ..., A_i) > 0.85$ THEN predict C=1ELSE IF $P(C=1 | A_1, ..., A_i) < 0.12$ THEN predict C=0ELSE continue observing features until next stop point Continue inference

Our Idea: Naïve Bayes with Stop Points



Adding Stop Points

Stop point (k, u, l) checks at attribute k if

P(C=1 | A₁,..., A_k) > *u*: stop and predict C=1
 P(C=1 | A₁,..., A_k) < *l*: stop and predict C=0

- Order features from most to least informative
- Add a stop point at attribute k if u and l exist:
 S% of examples are stopped
 - Accuracy on stopped examples higher than accuracy on
 - Stopped examples if all attributes observed
 - All examples if all attributes observed

Empirical Evaluation

- Question: How does our approach compare to static orderings from standard feature selection?
 IG: Information gain
 - ΔCP: Difference in conditional probabilities
 - Three others (omitted from graphs for readability)
- Give each approach the same feature budget
 - Energy improvement factor
 - Speed up as proxy for energy usage
 - Weighted accuracy

Data and Methodology

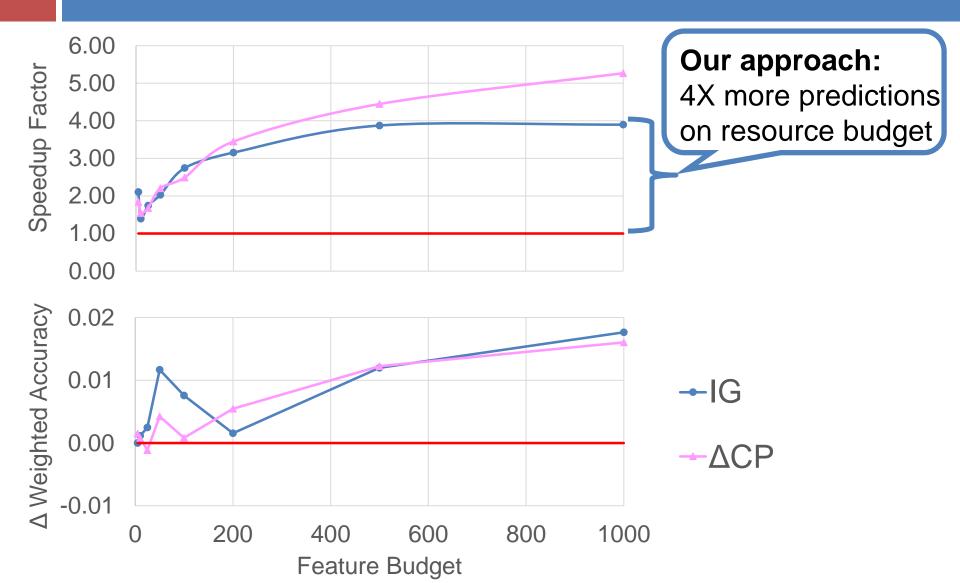
- Evaluation on seven data sets
 Attributes: 1,000 to 139,000
 Examples: 2,500 to 800,000
- □ 10 random splits: 40% train, 20% tune, 40% test
- Energy measurements: Raspberry Pi
 - Gives a controlled environment
 - Use multimeter to measure energy consumption for prediction

IMDB.drama: Energy Measurements

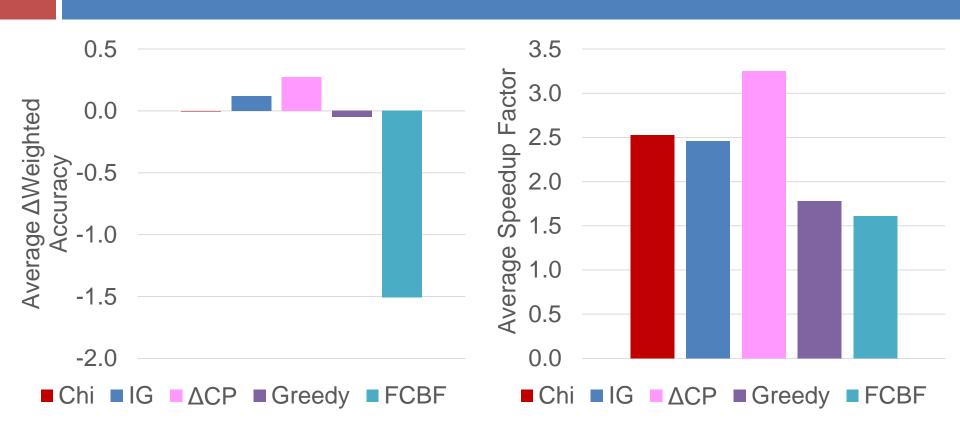


CPU time is a good proxy for energy usage

RCV: Speedup and Weighted Accuracy VS. Feature Budget



Summary of Results



Performance of best static model vs. dynamic model with the same feature budget



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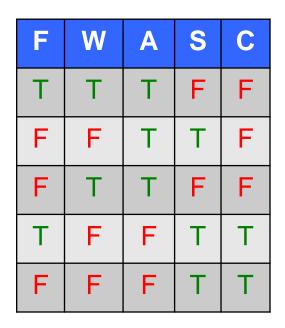
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Problem Definition

Training Data

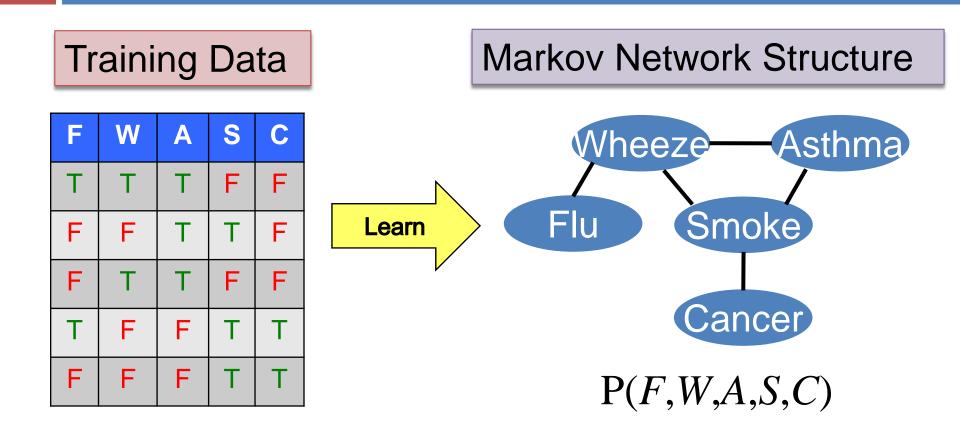


Goal:

Represent probability distribution over different configurations the variables can take on

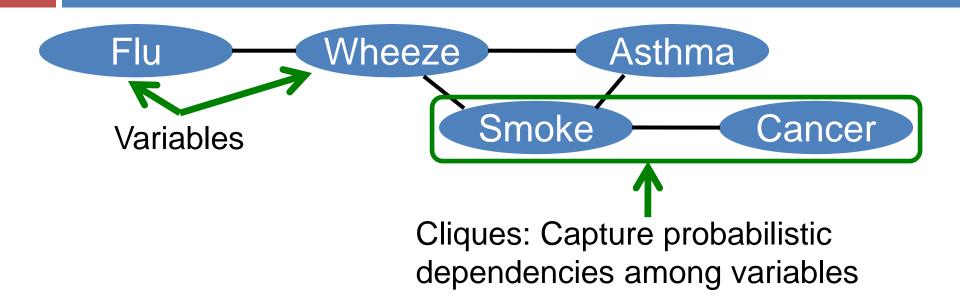
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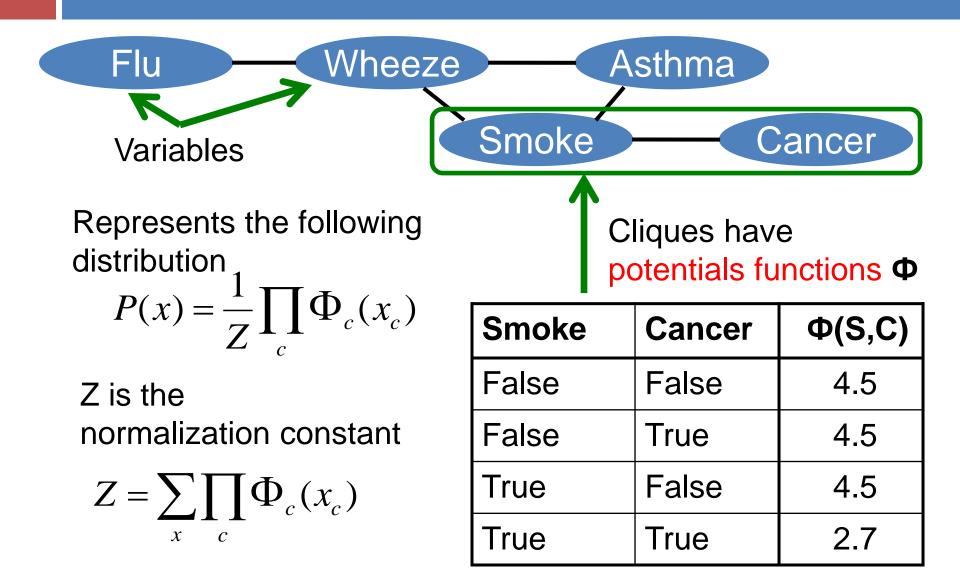
Markov Networks: Representation



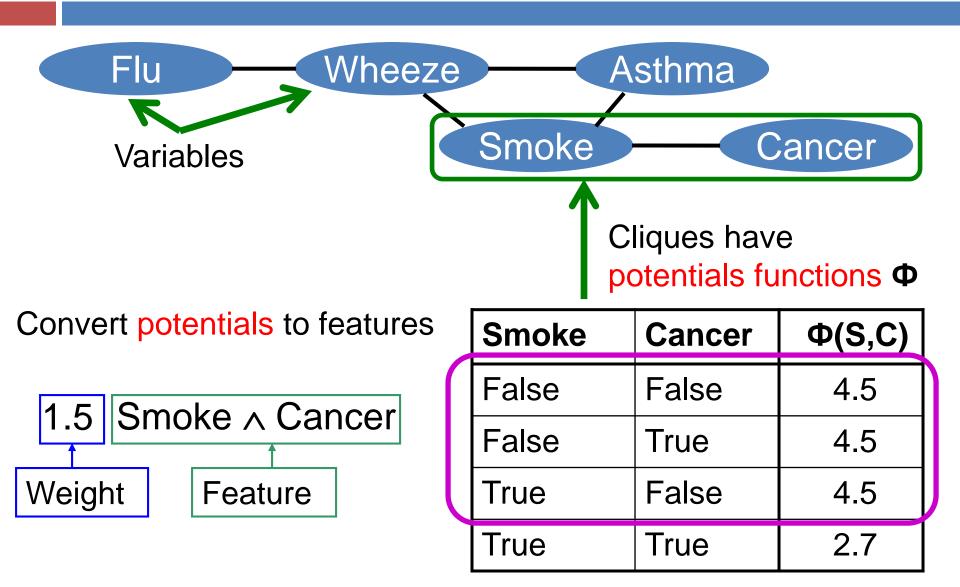
Undirected, graphical model that represents a joint distribution over a set of variables

(aka Markov random fields, Gibbs distributions, log-linear models, exponential models, maximum entropy models)

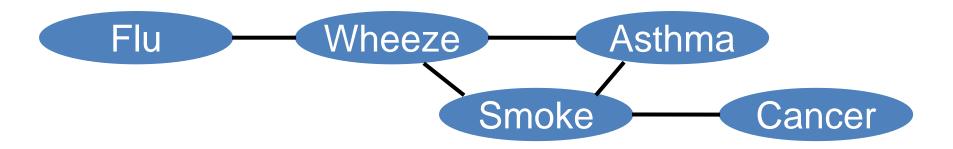
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Markov Networks: Log-Linear Representation



Weight of Feature *i* Feature *i*

$$P(x) = \frac{1}{Z} \exp\left(\sum_{i} w_{i} f_{i}(x)\right)$$

Markov Networks: Learning

1.5 Smoke
$$\wedge$$
 Cancer
Weight of Feature *i* Feature *i*
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Two Learning Tasks

Weight Learning

Given: Features, Data

Learn: Weights

Structure Learning

Given: Data

Learn: Features, Weights

Markov Networks: Weight Learning

Maximum likelihood weights

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$$\frac{\partial}{\partial w_i} \log P_w(x) = \underbrace{n_i(x)}_{k} - \underbrace{E_w[n_i(x)]}_{k}$$
No. of times feature *i* is true in data
Expected no. times feature *i* is true according to model
Slow: Requires inference at each step
Pseudo-likelihood
$$PL(x) \equiv \prod_i P(x_i \mid neighbors(x_i))$$
No inference: More tractable to compute

Why Is Inference Hard?

Exponentially Many States

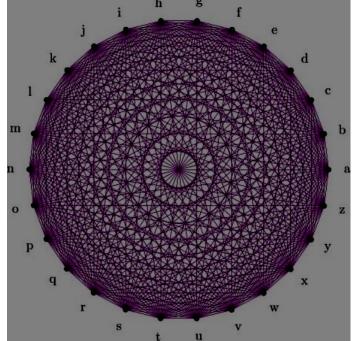
F	W	Α	S	С	Weight
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F	F	F	F	Т	
F	F	F	Т	F	
F	F	F	Т	Т	
F	F	Т	F	F	
Т	Т	Т	Т	Т	

$$P(x) = \frac{1}{Z} \exp\left(\sum_{i} w_{i} f_{i}(x)\right)$$

Computing Z requires summing over all possible states!

Inference Problem Highlighted

- Example: Smokes(X) ∧ Friends(X,Y) ⇒ Asthma(Y)
 People: 26 (a,...,z)
 Variable: 728
- Real-world data
 People: 1,000
 Variables > 1,000,000



Markov Network Structure Learning

Goal find the features

 Broadly speaking, two standard approaches:
 Search through space of possible models (subproblem, search to generate features

Local models: Use classifiers in a clever way

Search-Based Structure Learning

[Della Pietra et al., 1997]

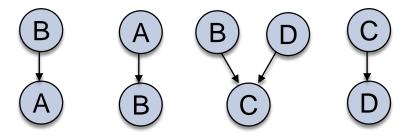
- □ Given: Set of variables = {**F**, **W**, **A**, **S**, **C**}
- At each step

Current model = {F, W, A, S, C, S \land C} Candidate features: Conjoin variables to features in model {F \land W, F \land A, ..., A \land C, F \land S \land C, ..., A \land S \land C} Select best candidate New model = {F, W, A, S, C, S \land C, F \land W}

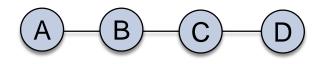
Iterate until no feature improves score

Local Model Approach Overview

Step 1: Learn "local models" to predict each variable given the others



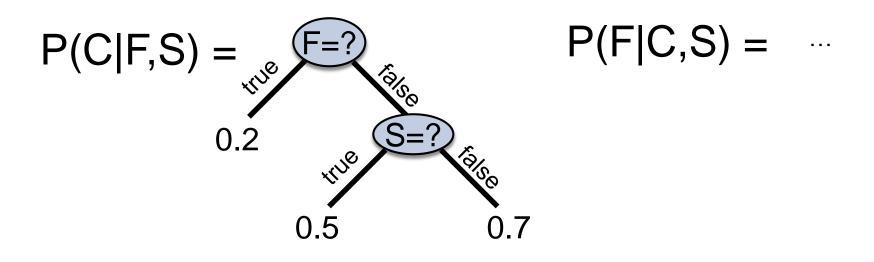
Step 2: Combine local models into global model



Step 3: Learn weights
 +Avoid running weight learning multiple times

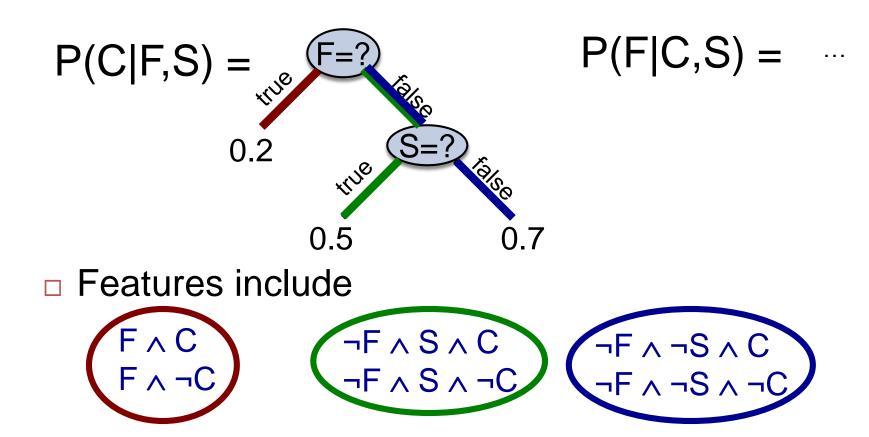
DTSL: Decision Tree Structure Learning [Lowd and Davis, 2014]

- □ Given: Set of variables= {**F**, **W**, **A**, **S**, **C**}
- Do: Learn decision tree to predict each variable



DTSL: Feature Construction

Construct one feature for each root-to-leave path in a tree



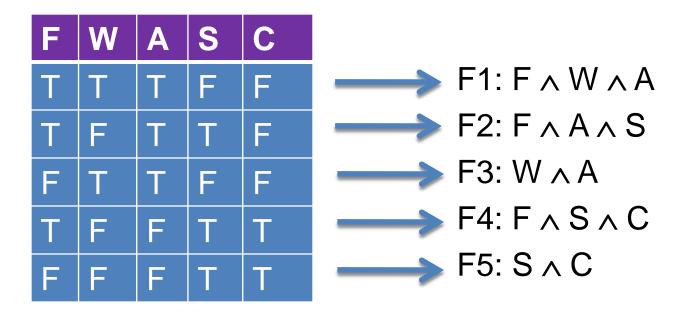
Motivation

- Search-based approaches
 - Slow because due to lots of weight learning
 Generate long features in data-driven way
- Local-modal approaches
 - Fast because weights learned only once
 Slow if many examples or variables
- Goal: Combine benefits of each approach

GSSL: Generate Select Structure Learn [Van Haaren & Davis, tbd]

- Two step process
 Step 1: Generate features
 Step 2: Select features
- Benefits include
 - Fast, directed approach to feature generationOnly run weight learning once

Step 1: Initialize by Converting Examples to Features



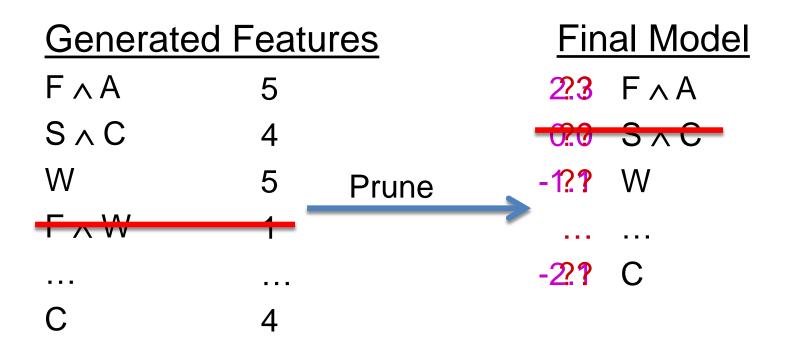
Step 1: Feature Generation

Base Features	<u>Generate</u>	Generated Features	
F1: F ^ W ^ A	F∧A	3	
F2: F A A A S	S∧C	4	
F3: W ∧ A	W	5	
F4: F ∧ S ∧ C	$F \wedge W$	1	
F5: S ∧ C			
	С	4	

Repeat:

- 1) Randomly select feature
- 2) Drop arbitrary number of variables
- 3) Add generalized feature to feature set

Step 2: Feature Selection



- 1) Prune features generated fewer times than a threshold
- 2) Weight learning with L1 prior to enforce sparsity

GSSL Control Structure

Given: Example Set, Integer m, Threshold t

- □ Let BS = Example Set
- For i = 1 to m
 - Randomly pick feature from BS
 - Drop arbitrary number of variables, add new feature to FS
- Prune each feature generated less than t times
- Run L1 weight learning on remaining features

Empirical Evaluation

Compared the following algorithms

- BLM [Davis and Domingos, 2010]
- L1 [Ravikumar et al., 2009]
- DTSL [Lowd and Davis, 2014]
- GSSL [Van Haaren and Davis, 2012]
- Compared on 20 different real-world domains
 - **1**,600 to 290,000 train examples
 - 200 to 38,000 tune examples
 - 300 to 58,000 test examples
 - 16 and 1,500 variables

Note: Implementations and most datasets available: http://alchemy.cs.washington.edu/papers/davis10a

Experimental Details

- Optimize pseudo-log-likelihood (PLL)
- Tried variety of parameters for each algorithm
- Use tune set PLL to pick best model
- Evaluation metrics

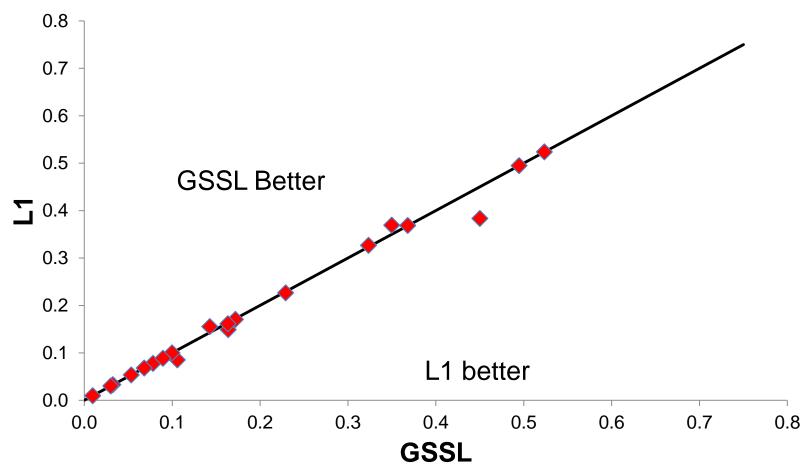
Accuracy: Conditional marginal likelihood

$$CMLL(x,e) = \sum_{i} \log P(X_i = x_i | E = e)$$

Speed: Run time

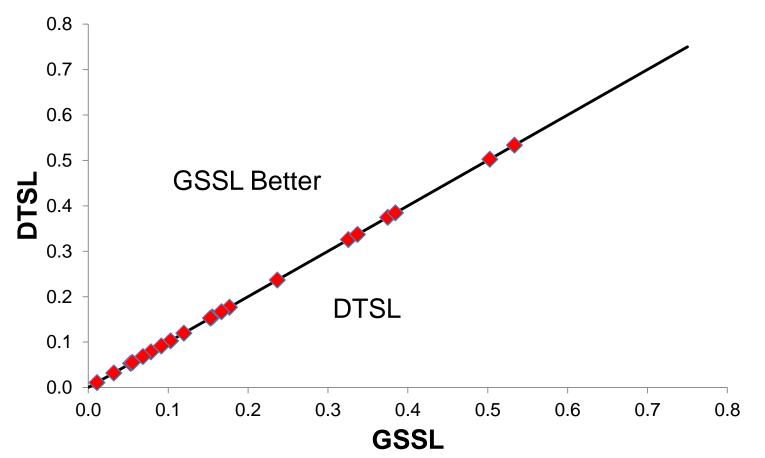
GSSL vs. L1

GSSL wins on 11 out of 20 domains

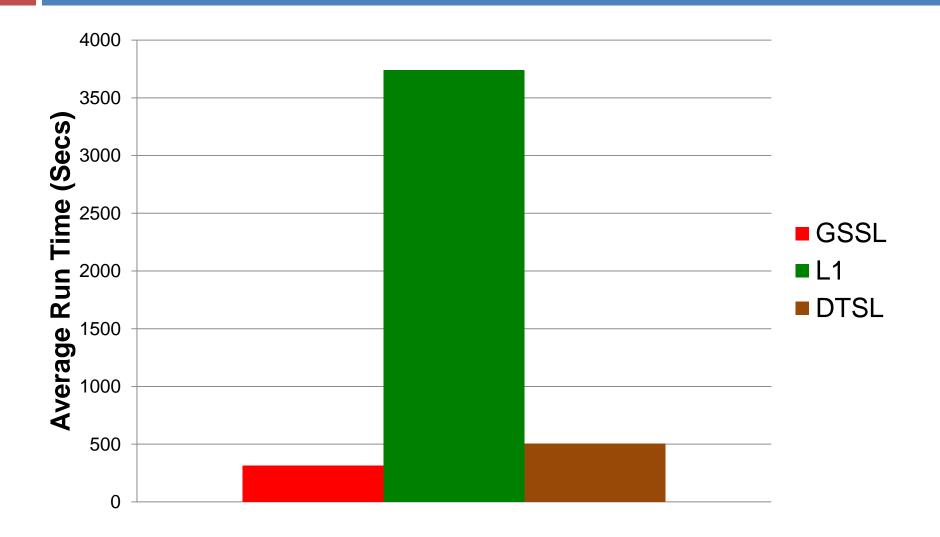


GSSL vs. DTSL

GSSL wins on 15 out of 20 domains



Run Time Comparison





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Challenge: Complex Data

PID	Birthday	Gender
P1	2/2/63	М
P2	4/7/55	М

Drug

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PID	Date	Medication	Dose
P1	5/1/02	Warfarin	10mg
P1	2/2/03	Terconazole	10mg

Diseases

PID	Date	Diag.
P1	2/1/01	Flu
P1	5/2/03	Bleeding

- Data are complexly structured
- Data are highly uncertain

Etc.

Traditional Solution

Patient

PID	Birthday	Gender
P1	2/2/63	М
P2	4/7/55	Μ

Drug

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Statistical Approach

Logical Approach

- Models uncertainty
- Ignores relations

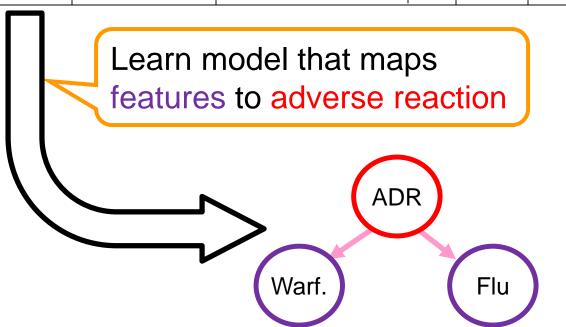
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Statistical Approach Overview

Data representation: i.i.d. vectors

Patient	Warfarin	Terconazole	 Flu	ADR
P1	Yes	Yes	No	Yes
P2	No	No	Yes	No



Logical Approach Overview

Data representation: First-order logic

Dr	ug		
PID	Date	Medication	Dose
P1	5/1/02	Warfarin	10mg
P1	2/2/03	Terconazole	10mg

- Constant: Terconazole
 Variable: p
- □ **Literal:** Drug(P1, Terconazole)

Learn: Set of first-order logical rules

Drug(p, Terconazole) \land Wt(p, w) \land w < 120 \Rightarrow ADR(p)

Solution: Statistical Relational Learning

Combine the statistical and logical approaches

Intuition: Attach probabilities to first-order rules to capture uncertainty

Example: Smoking causes cancer

 $Smokes(person) \Rightarrow Cancer(person)$: 0.15

VISTA: A SRL Framework

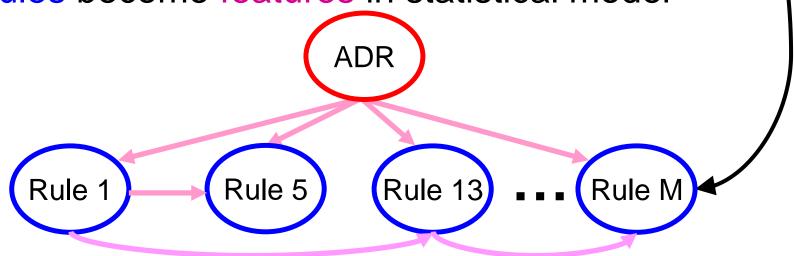
[Davis et al., IJCAI'07]

Integrates feature induction and model construction

If-then rules capture implicit, relational features

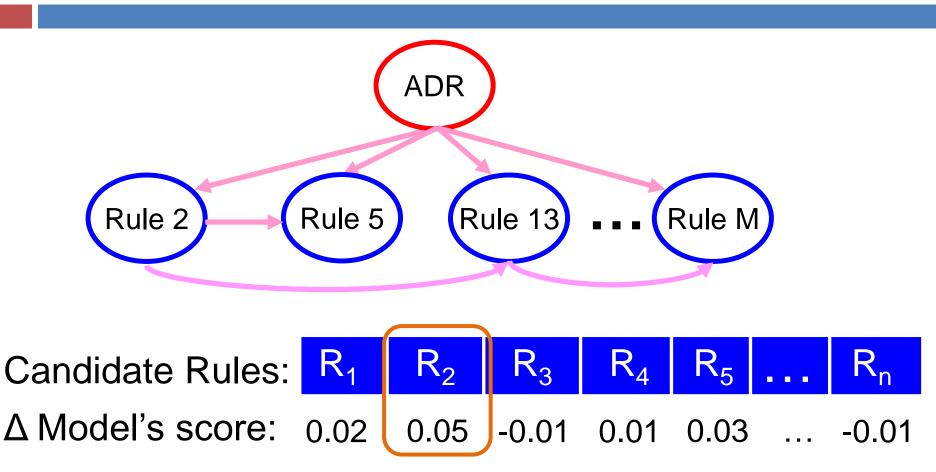
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Rules become features in statistical model



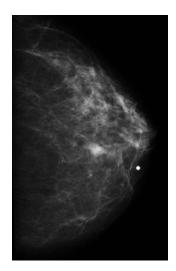
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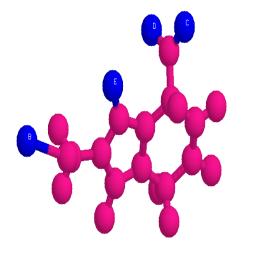


Iteratively add rules until stop criteria is met

Tasks Addressed [Davis et al., IJCAI'07, ICML'07]



Given: A radiologist's structured mammography report Predict: Abnormality is malignant



Given: A set of 3D conformations
 of a small molecule
 Dradict: Malagula's binding officity

Predict: Molecule's binding affinity to a target protein

Challenge: Hidden Structure

Drug

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Diseases		
PID	Date	Diag.
P1	2/1/01	Flu
P1	5/2/03	Bleeding

Observation

PID	Date	Weight
P2	2/2/03	120

Data and hence discovered patterns mention specific drugs or diseases

Drug(p, Terconazole) \land Wt(p, w) \land w < 120 \Rightarrow ADR(p)

Regularities may involve drug or disease classes: Enzyme inducers increase risk of internal bleeding

Solution: Clustering of Objects

Drug(p, Terconazole) \land Wt(p, w) \land w < 120 \Rightarrow ADR(p)

During learning, invent a clustering of objects that can appear in rules

 $Cluster2(x) \land Drug(p, x) \land ... \land ... \Rightarrow ADR(p)$

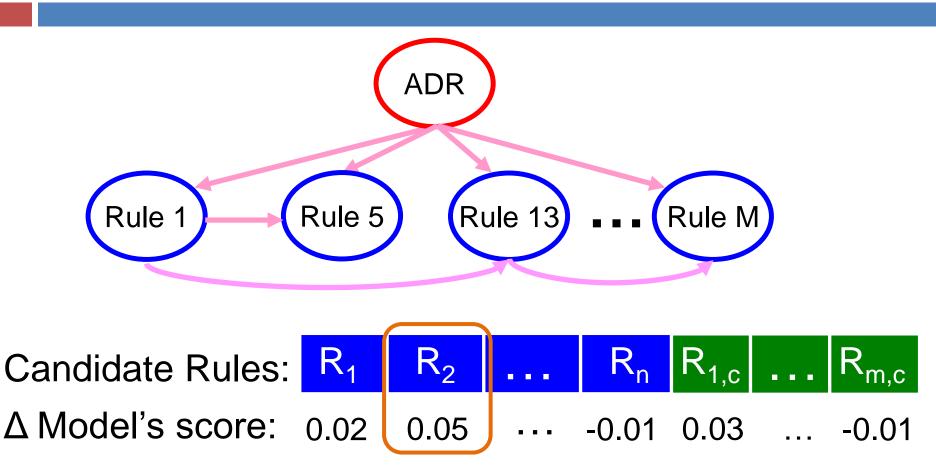
Cluster2(x) = {Terconazole,..., Ketoconazole}

A group of "similar" objects

Motivation for Approach

- Why not use existing hierarchies?
- Why not cluster objects before learning?
- Inventing clusters during learning allows them:
 To be tailored to specific prediction task
 To exploit the context of the rule and the model

LUCID: Algorithmic Overview [Davis et al., ICML'12]



Incorporating a Cluster in a Rule

If a candidate rule improves model's score then

Drug(p, Terconazole) \land Wt(p, w) \land w < 120 \Rightarrow ADR(p)

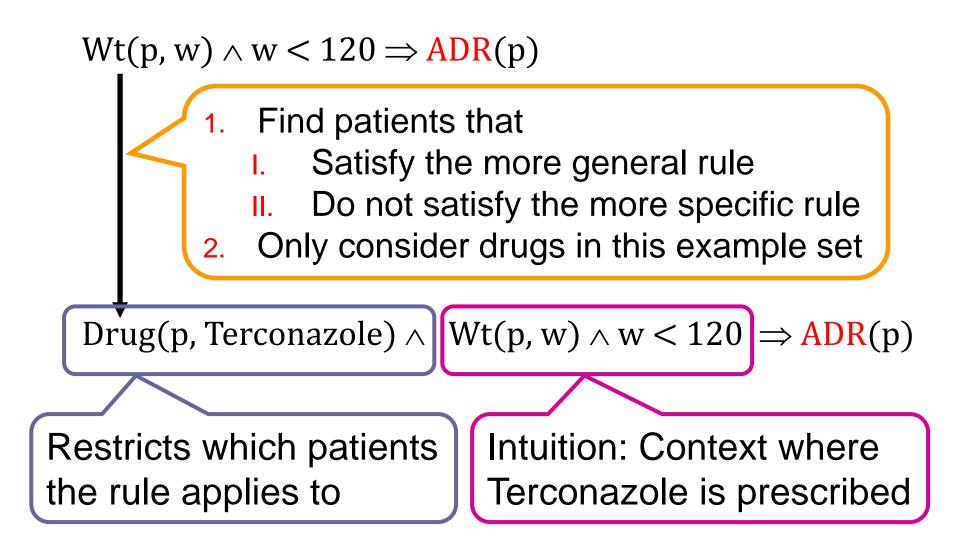
Cluster2(d) \land Drug(p, d) \land Wt(p, w) \land w < 120 \Rightarrow ADR(p)

Conjoin the invented predicate to the rule
 Replace the object with a variable

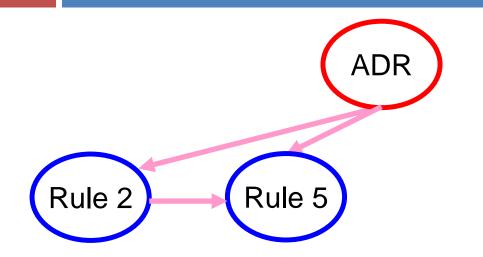
Learning the Cluster Definition

- Which objects should be grouped together?
 - All constant of same type?
 - Slow because thousands of diagnosis and drugs
- Intuitively: Focus on similar constants, e.g., given Terconazole:
 - Which drugs can replace Terconazole?
 - Which drugs complement Terconazole?
- Idea: Use constants in "near miss" examples

Finding Relevant Objects: Near Miss Examples



Evaluating Clusterings



Cluster2(Terconazole) Cluster2(**Ketoconazole**) Cluster2(Ketoconazole)

New Rule 5: Cluster2(d) \land Drug(p, d) \land ... \Rightarrow ADR(p)

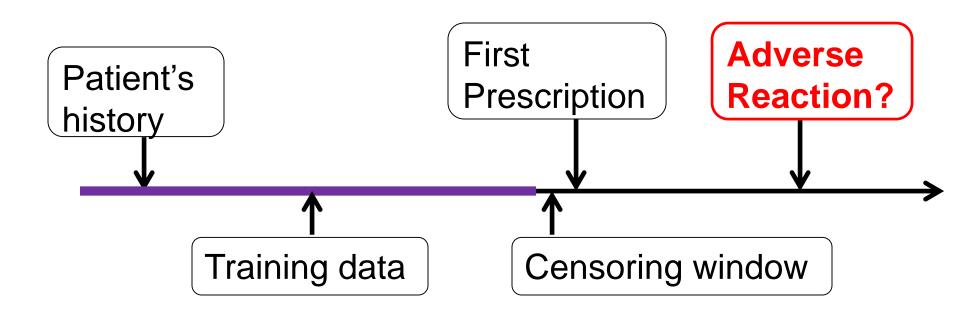
Candidates:	Rifampicin	Ketocanazole		Alpranolol
Δ score:	0.04	0.02	• • •	-0.01

Add objects until none improves the score

Tasks and Data

- Tasks considered:
 - Myocardial infarction on selective Cox-2 inhibitors
 - Internal bleeding with Warfarin
 - Angioedema with ACE inhibitors
- Data from Marshfield Clinics
 - Diagnoses
 - Medications
 - Lab tests
 - Observations

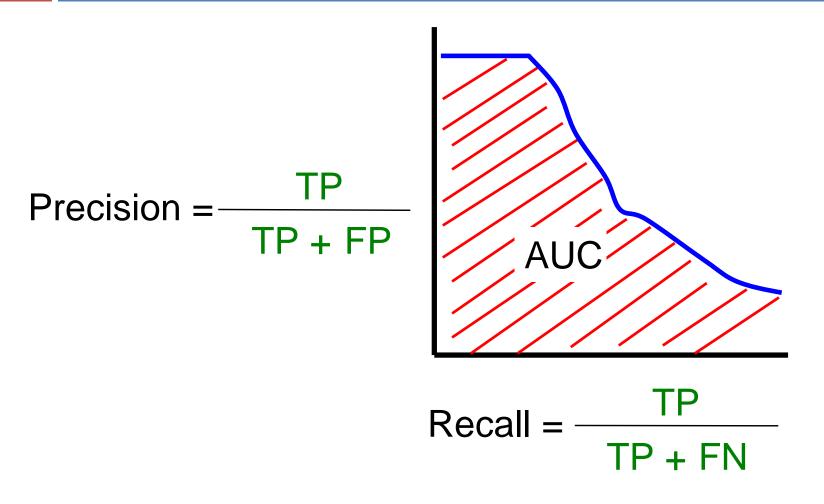
Data Preparation



Positives: Adverse event after prescription

Negatives: Took medicine and no adverse event, matched on age and gender to positives

Evaluation Metric



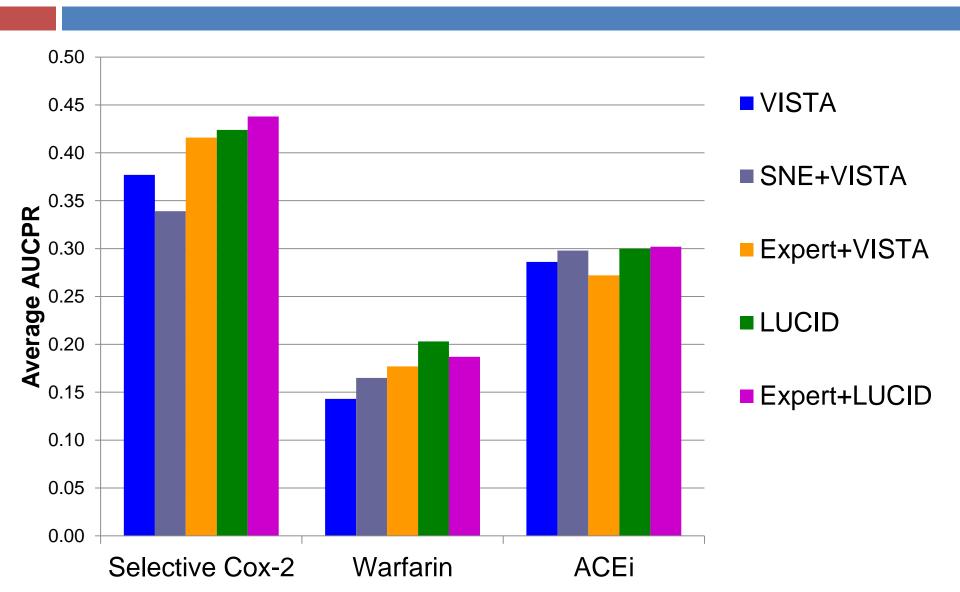
10 fold cross validated area under precision-recall curve

Systems Compared

Learned rules can contain

	Hand-Crafted Expert Hierarchy	Precluster	Dynamically Invented Clusters
VISTA			
SNE+VISTA			
Expert+VISTA			
LUCID			
Expert+Lucid			







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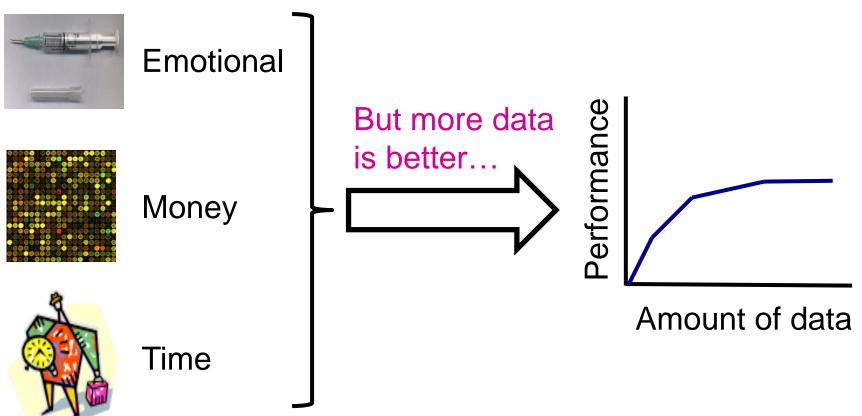
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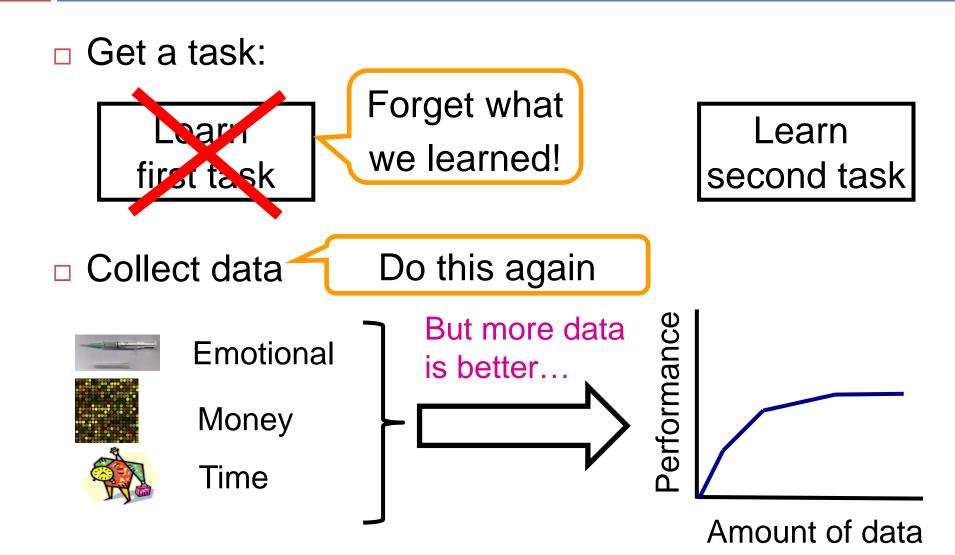
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Challenge: Acquiring Data Can Be Expensive

Costs include:

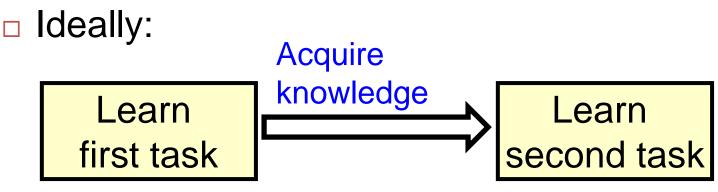


Inductive Learning Cycle



Problem: One Off Solutions

Interested in modeling many different domains



Problem: New domain looks "different"



Transfer Learning

Inductive Learning

Given: Target Data

Learn: Model

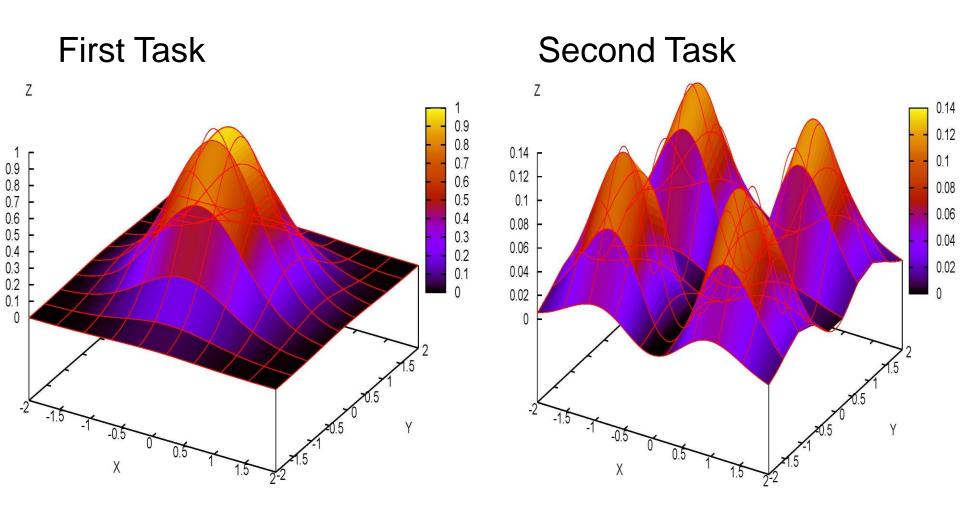
Transfer Learning

Given: Target Data,
Source Data

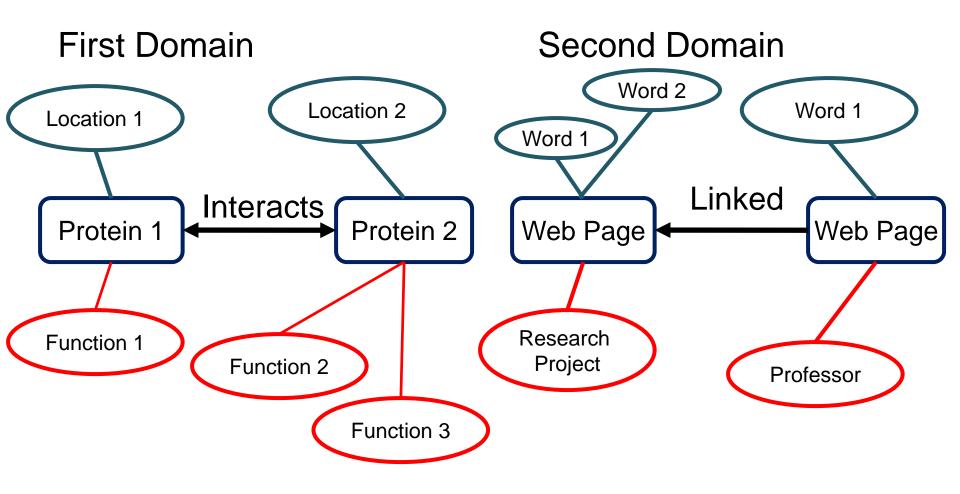
Learn: Model

- Transfer: Makes use of data (or model or knowledge or ...) from auxiliary domain
- Broadly speaking two types of transfer
 Shallow: Same variables, different distributions
 Deep: Different predicates, entities, properties

Same Variables, Different Distribution



Entirely Different Domains



Terminology

- Constants, variables, predicates, functions E.g.: Anna, x, Friends(x,y), MotherOf(x)
- Grounding: Replace all variables by constants
 E.g.: Friends(Anna,Bob)
- Clause:
 - **E.g.:** Friends(*x*,*y*) v Friends(*y*,*z*) v Friends(*x*,*z*)
- Predicate variable: Variable instead of

predicate name

 $r(x,y) \land s(x,z) \Rightarrow r(z,y)$ $\downarrow r \rightarrow \text{Location}, s \rightarrow \text{Interacts}$ $\text{Location}(x,y) \land \text{Interacts}(x,z) \Rightarrow \text{Location}(z,y)$

Markov Logic Networks (MLNs)

[Richardson & Domingos, MLJ'06]

A logical knowledge base is a set of hard constraints on the set of possible worlds

Let us make them soft constraints

- Give each formula a weight
- Worlds that violate a formula become less probable

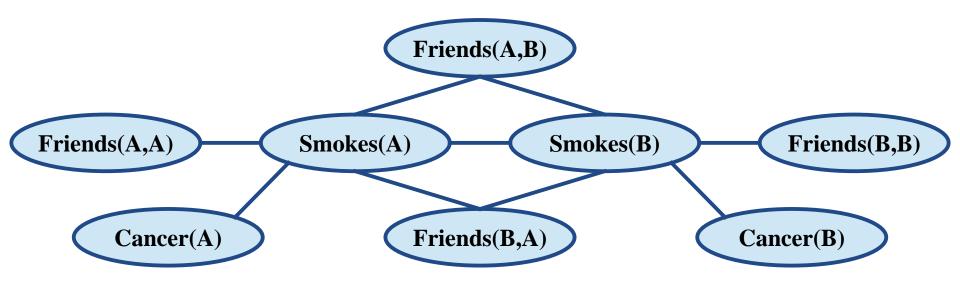
1.5 Location(*x*,*y*) \land Interacts(*x*,*z*) \Rightarrow Location(*z*,*y*)

 $P(world) \propto exp(\sum weights of formulas it satisfies)$

MLN to Markov Network

$$\forall X \text{ Smokes}(X) \Rightarrow \text{Cancer}(X) \\ \forall X, Y \text{ Friends}(X, Y) \Rightarrow [\text{Smokes}(X) \Leftrightarrow \text{Smokes}(Y)]$$

Constants: Anna (A), Bob (B)



Markov Logic Networks: Learning

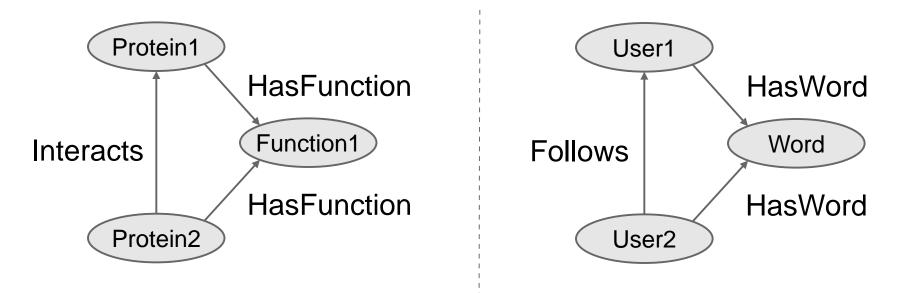
0.15 Smoke(x)
$$\Rightarrow$$
 Cancer(x)
Weight of Feature *i* Formula *i*
P(x) = $\frac{1}{Z} \exp\left(\sum_{i} w_{i} f_{i}(x)\right)$

Structure Learning
Given: Target Data
Learn: Formulas, Weights

Search through spaces of clauses

Convex optimization of pseudolikelihood

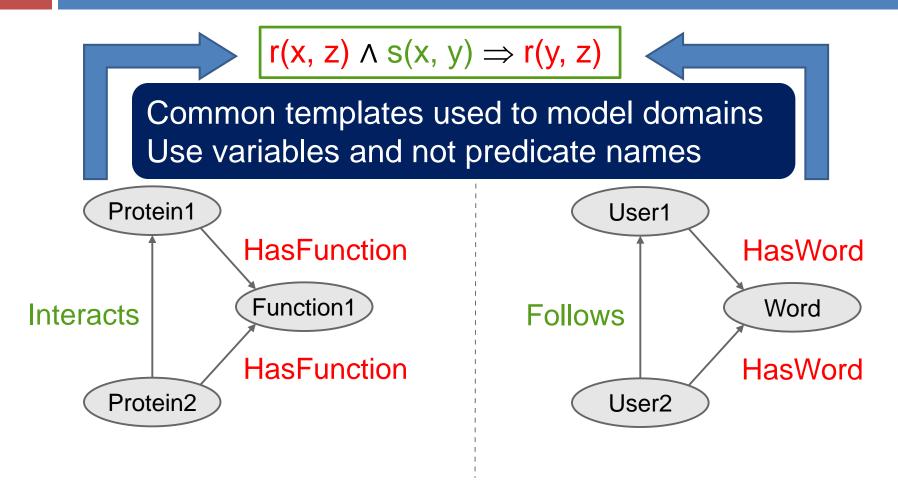
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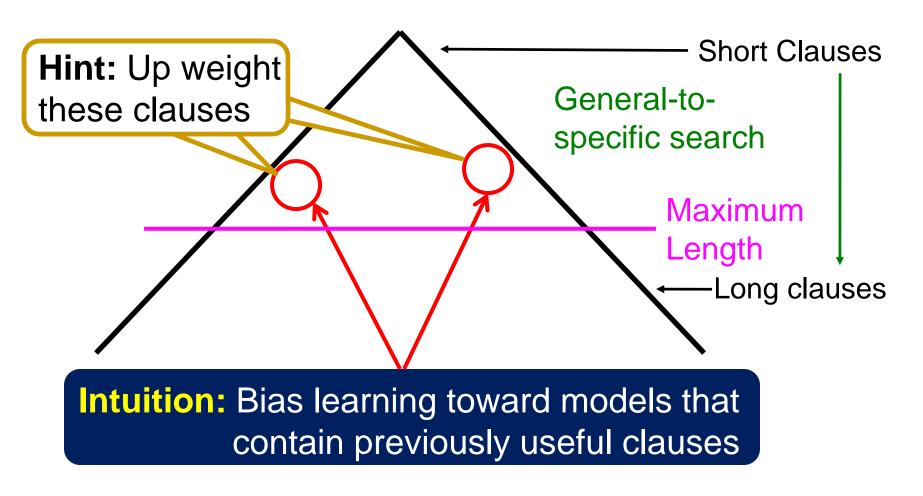


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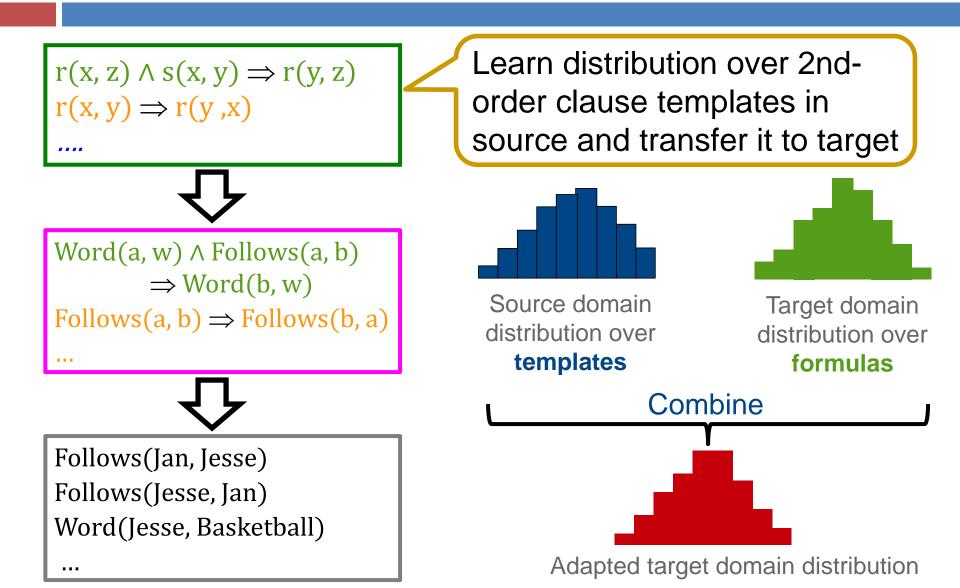
Transfer as Declarative Bias

Search through (Large) Space of Possible Clauses



Overview of TODTLER

[Van Haaren, Kolobov, & Davis, AAAI'15]



Learning the Posterior

Probabilistic inference for a posterior over 2nd-order clauses is hopelessly intractable

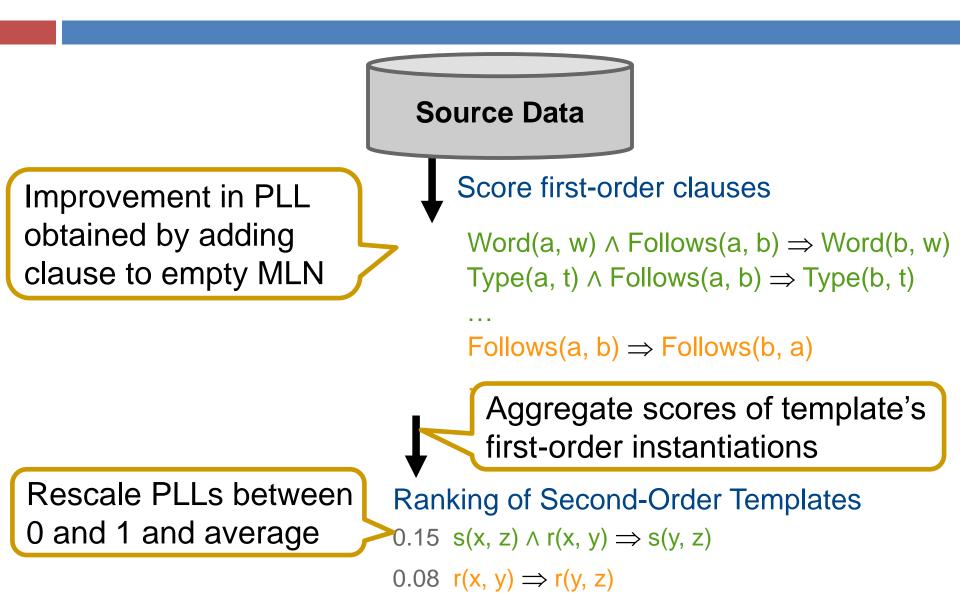
- Hence will use a heuristic approach
 - Generate second-order templates
 - For each template create all its first-order groundings
 - Treat each first-order clause independently and score its "usefulness" based on pseudolikelihood
 - Template score: Aggregation over its first-order groundings

Constructing Second-Order Clause Templates

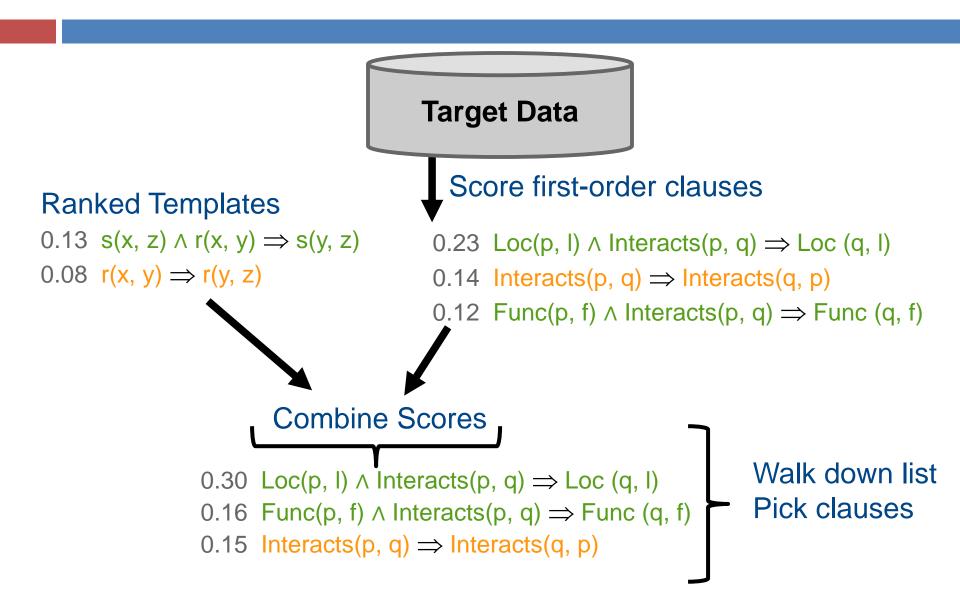
- Generate all second-order clause templates
 - Maximum number of predicate variables
 - Maximum number of object variables
 - Maximum length
- Generate first-order clauses by grounding out predicate variables with predicate names

Do this in source and target domain

Using the Source Data



Learning in Target Domain



Empirical Evaluation

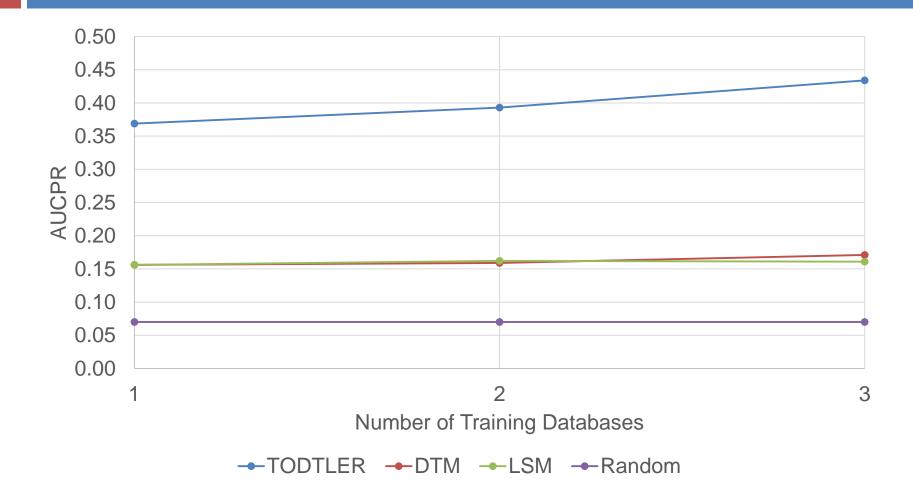
- Can we successully transfer among different domains?
- □ Will transfer outperform learning from scratch?
- Which transfer approach is the best?
- Will we discover and transfer relevant templates?

Data and Methodology

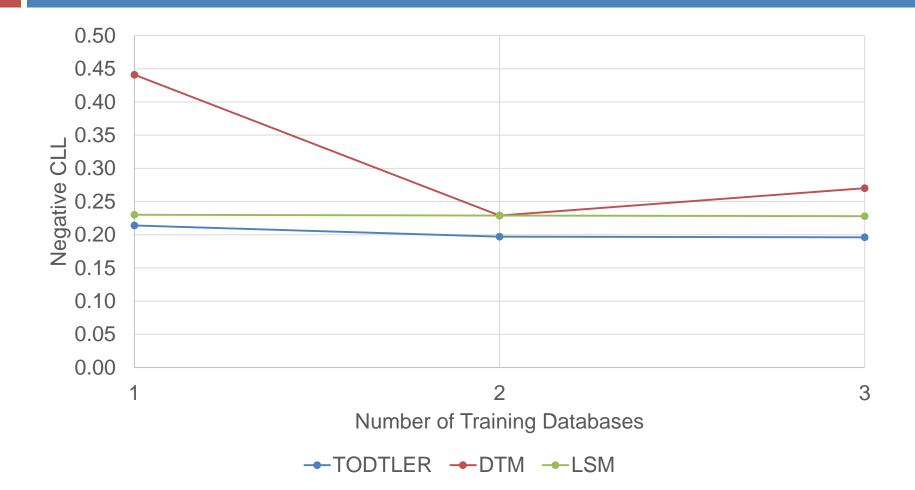
Transfer among three domains:

- Yeast protein: 7 predicates, 1.4M ground atoms [Davis et al., ECML'05]
- WebKB: 3 predicates, 4.4M ground atoms [Craven & Slattery, MLJ'01]
- **Twitter:** 3 predicates, 50K ground atoms
- Evaluation metrics
 - Area under the precision recall curve (AUC PR)
 - Negative conditional log likelihood (CLL)
 - Run time

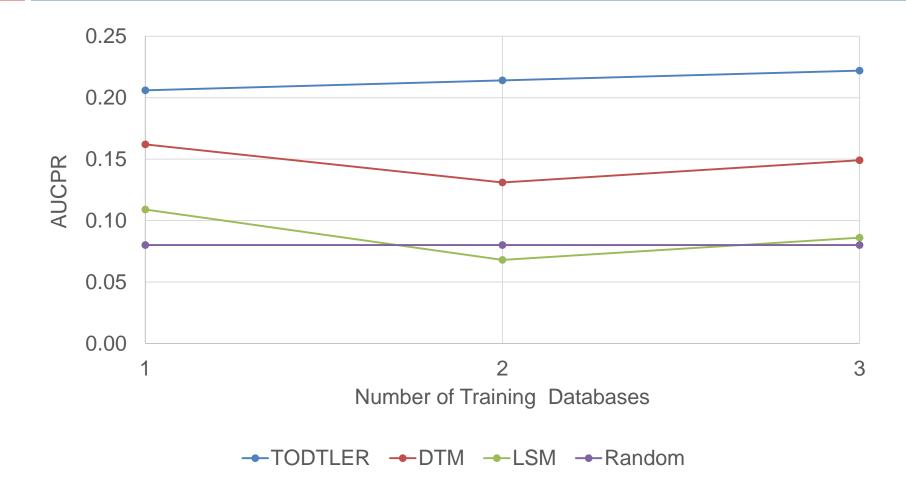
Twitter to WebKB



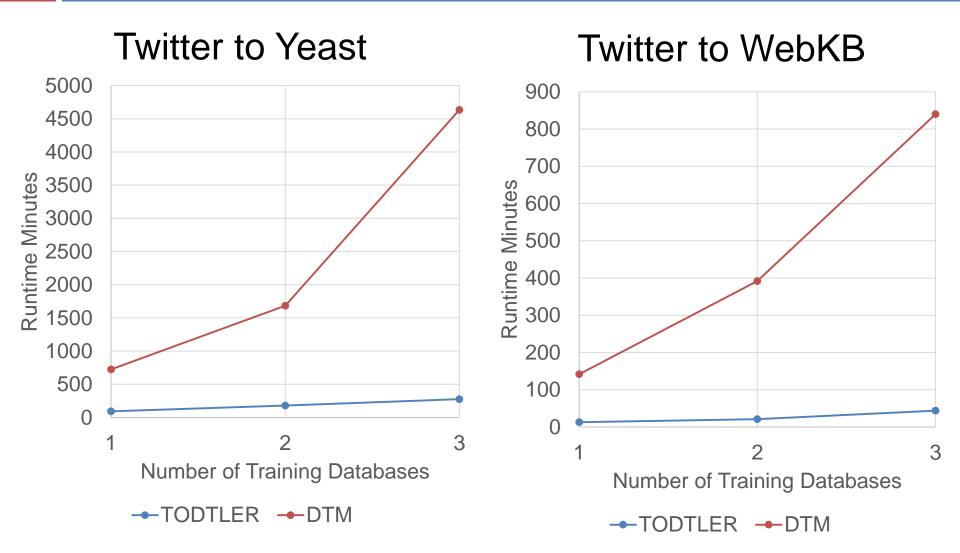
Twitter to WebKB



WebKB to Yeast



Run Time



Templates Ranked in Top 10

	Yeast	WebKB	Twitter
Symmetry:	1 st	1 st	2 nd
$r(x, y) \Rightarrow r(y, x)$			
Homophily	3 rd	8 th	6 th
$s(x, y) \land r(z, y) \Rightarrow s(z, y)$			
Transitivity	6 th	2 nd	-
$r(x, y) \land r(y, z) \Rightarrow r(x, y)$			
Triangle Completion	10 th	-	5 th
$r(x, z) \land r(y, z) \Rightarrow r(x, y)$			
Cycle	-	4 th	-
$r(x, y) \land r(y, z) \Rightarrow r(z, x)$			

Part II: Applications to Sports

Traditional Sports Data: Box Scores

Box Score from 1876

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Athletic Runs earned-	Boston, 4; Athletic, 5. Home-run-Hall, 1. 18-Boson, 22; Athletic, 20. First base by Athletic, 5. Umpire, George White of

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Box_score_(baseball)

Box Score from 1962

PHIL	DELPHI	1 (169)	-
Arizin	FG	. FT.	F.	Pts. 16
Meschery Chamberlain	ż	2-2	4	16
Chamberlain	36	28-32	2	100
Rodgers Attles	1	9-12	254	11
Larese	84	1.1	*	17
Conlin	00	0-0	ĩ	9000
Ruklick	00	0-2	2	0
Suckenbilt	-	0-0	2	0
Totals	63	43-52	25	169
New York	26 42	38	41-	147
Phitadelphia Attendance-	42 37	46	44-	169

Box Score from 1908

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https://miscbaseball.wordpress.com/2009/1 0/11/1908-the-cubs-win-the-world-series/

Sports Analytics

"Traditional" approach to evaluating playersScouts evaluate subjectively on gut

NAME	<u>P</u>	HT	WT	SCHOOL CITY STATE	COACH
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Speed		SUMMATION: lightening-quick guard with Globie-dribbling talent lacks strength/size/defensive foundation for top majorsslim southpaw has terrific moves to basket & is blur on break but has limited shooting range & consistency (nice tough 15 feet & in when "on") & must learn moves for outside gameFINE FOR PRESSING/RUNNING LM OUTFITN			

Traditional statistics

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Sabremetrics: A Better Idea

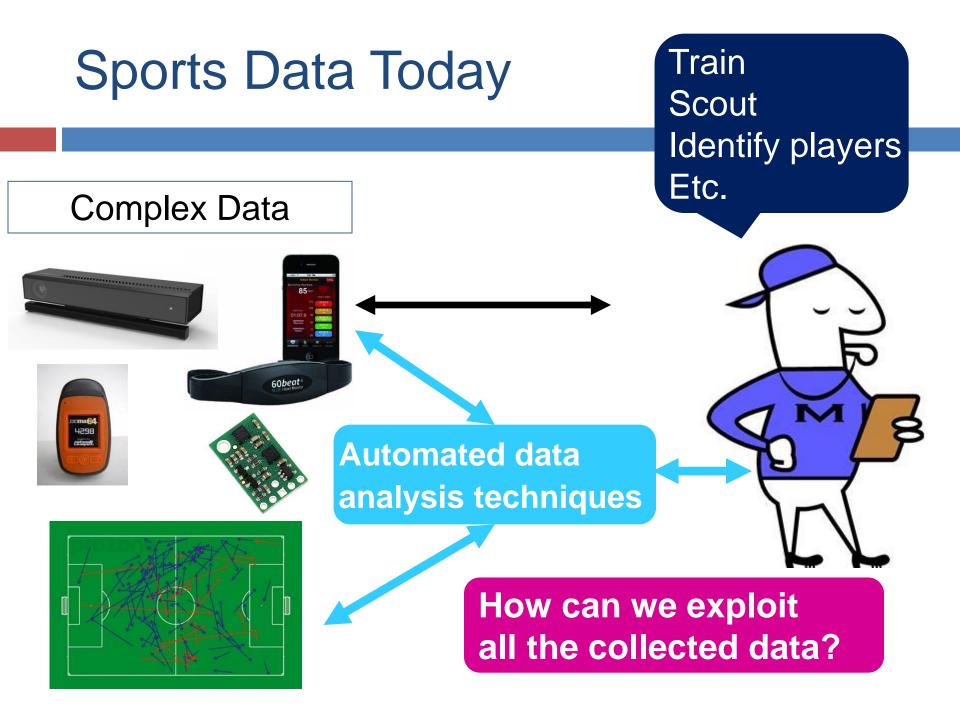


"Bill James...asked the question why" – Paul DePodesta, "Moneyball"

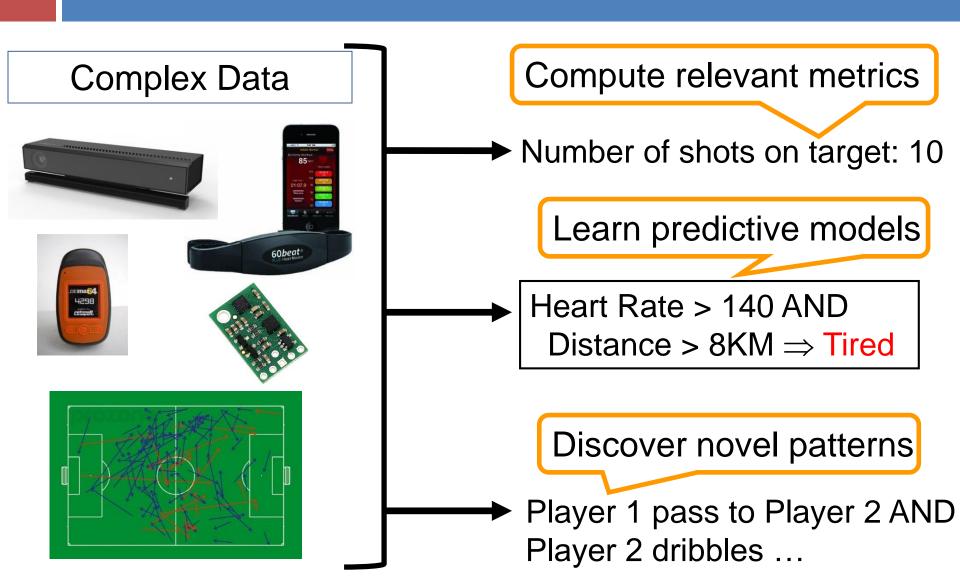
Why are common statistics meaningful?

- Question 1: Which statistics best quantify various aspects of team or player performance?
- Question 2: Can we come up with a single statistic to rank players?
- Question 3: How can we project future team or player performance?

Assumption: Available data is box score like

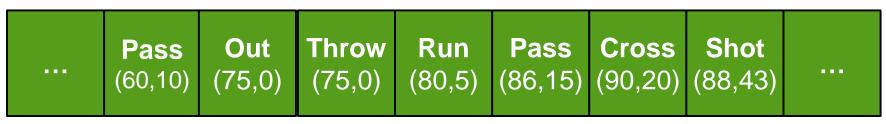


How Can Analytics Help?



Three New Types of Data

Event stream: Events with time and location



 Athlete monitoring: GPS, accelerometer, etc.



Optical tracking:
 X, Y locations of players





Rating players: Assign a rating to each action a player performs in a match

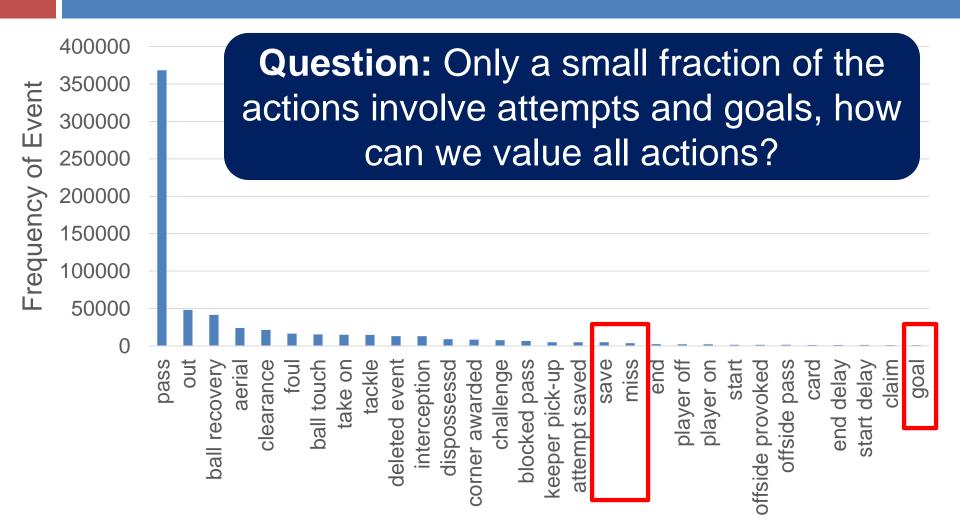
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Distribution of Some Events

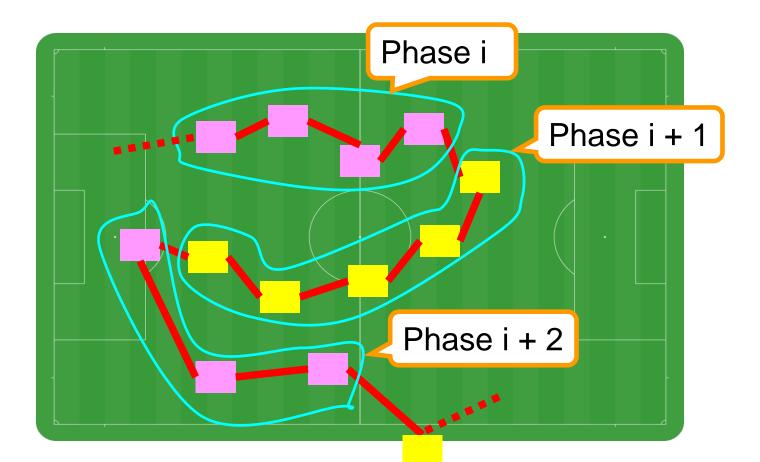


Our Approach: STARSS

Given: Event stream with type and location of all events (e.g., passes and shots)

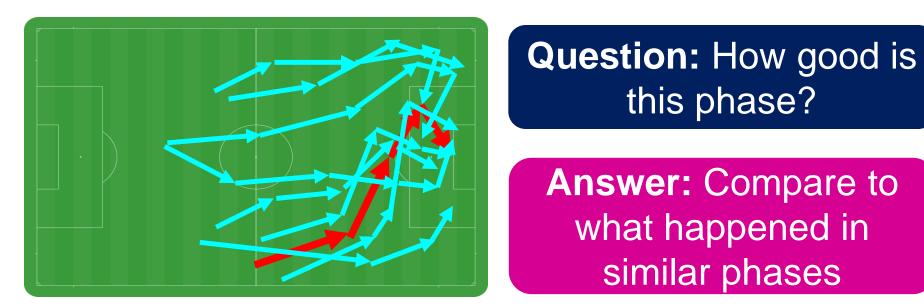
- Do: Assign rating to each action
- Approach
 - 1. Split matches in phases
 - 2. Rate phases
 - 3. Distribute phase rating over individual actions
 - 4. Aggregate players ratings over season

Divide Match into Phases

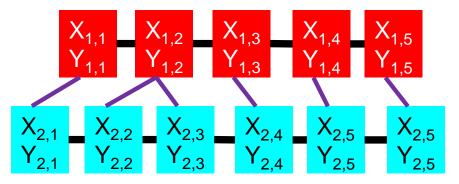


Split event stream based on change of possession

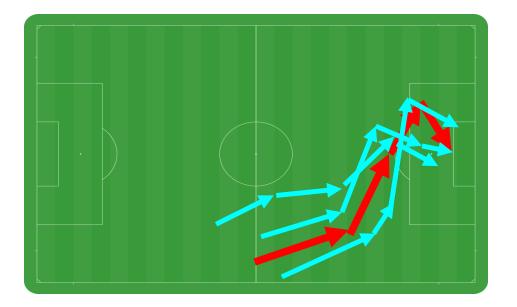
Rating Phases



Similarity metric: Dynamic Time Warping on event positions



Rating Phases

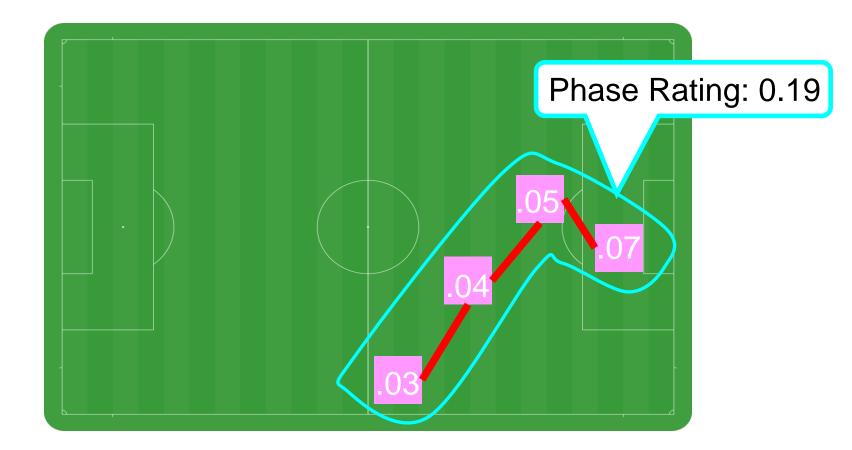


Rating phases:

- 1. Find *k* most similar phases (e.g., 100)
- 2. Of these, count how many result in a goal (e.g., 6)

$$Rating(phase) = \frac{6 \text{ goals}}{100 \text{ similar phases}} = 0.06$$

Distribute Phase Rating Across Its Constituent Actions



Actions at end are more important: Exponential decay

Top 10 Players: EPL 2016-2017

Rank	Team	Player	Rating Per 90		Assists Per 90
1	Arsenal	Alexis Sanchez	0.289	0.478	0.147
2	West Ham	Dimitri Payet	0.279	0.315	0.420
3	West Ham	Mauro Zarate	0.262	0.342	0.000
4	Chelsea	Willian	0.249	0.164	0.196
5	Liverpool	Philippe Coutinho	0.244	0.359	0.225
6	Arsenal	Santi Cazorla	0.240	0.000	0.209
7	Arsenal	Mesut Ozil	0.240	0.177	0.561
8	Sunderland	Wahbi Khazri	0.240	0.167	0.084
9	Aston Villa	Rudy Gestede	0.237	0.272	0.109
10	Man City	Kevin De Bruyne	0.233	0.315	0.404



Rating players: Assign a rating to each action a player performs in a match

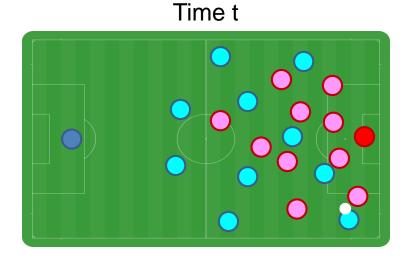
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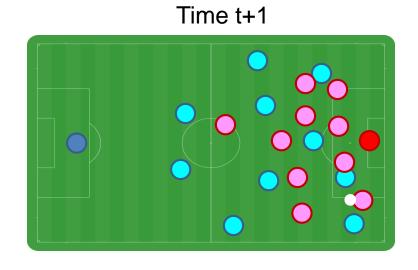
Discover Offensive Strategies in Football Matches

Given:

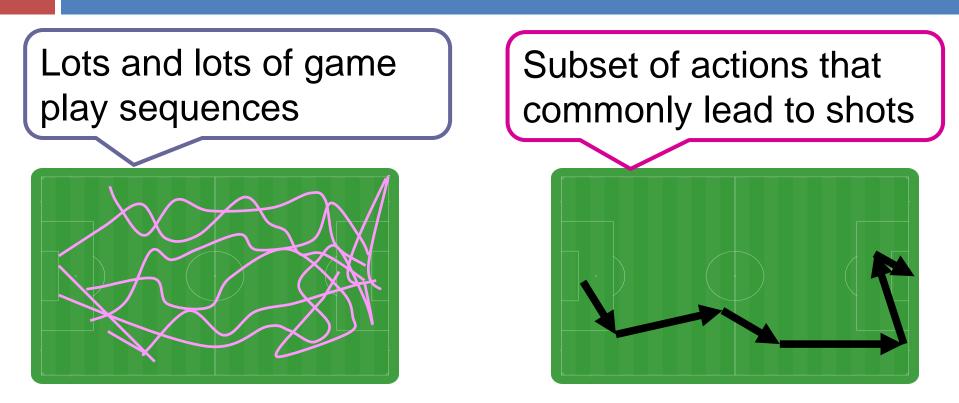
 Event stream with type and location of all events (e.g., passes and shots)

- Locations of all players and the ball (10 hz sample)
- □ **Find:** Typical offensive strategies





Big Picture Problem



- □ Film study is time consuming
- Automation can help speed this up
- Computers good at finding patterns in large data sets

Challenges

- Relationships and how they change over time are important
 - Space
 - Interactions between players
- Order of events is important
- May want to generalize over players involved
- Exact same sequence of events unlikely to occur multiple times

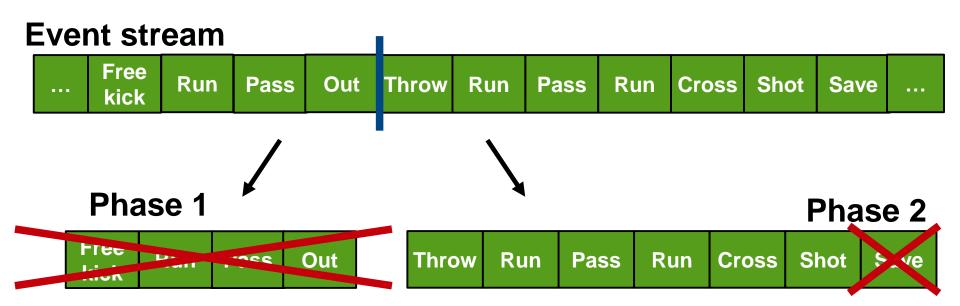
Important Steps

- 1. Data cleaning
- 2. Event stream preprocessing
- 3. Clustering data
- 4. Identifying important strategies

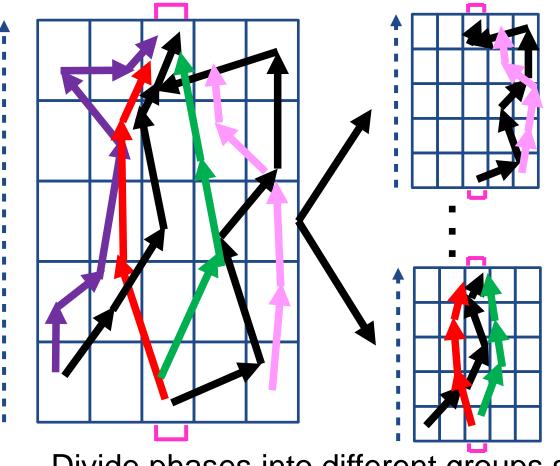
Step 1: Cleaning Data

- Outliers and incorrect values
 - Valid field coordinates
 - Player and ball movements seem "possible"
- Teams switch direction at half time: Normalize data such that team always attacks same goal
- Account for changes in data (e.g., position switches, new players, etc.)

Step 2: Event Stream Preprocessing



Step 3: Clustering



Three Benefits

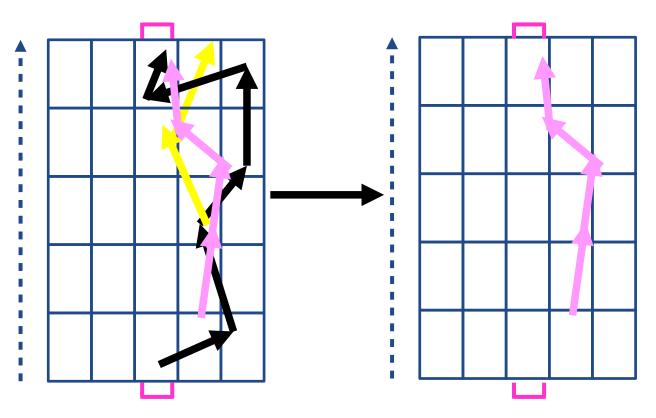
- 1. Teams employ multiple strategies
- 2. Generalize from a specific location
- 3. Subsequent step more computationally efficient

Divide phases into different groups such that the phases in a group are "similar"

Step 4: Finding Interesting Sequences

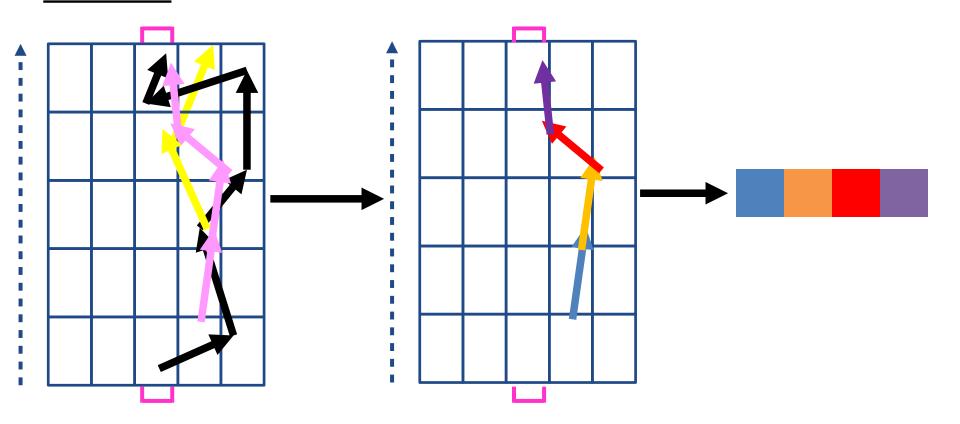
Within each cluster, find frequently occurring subsequences

Cluster 1



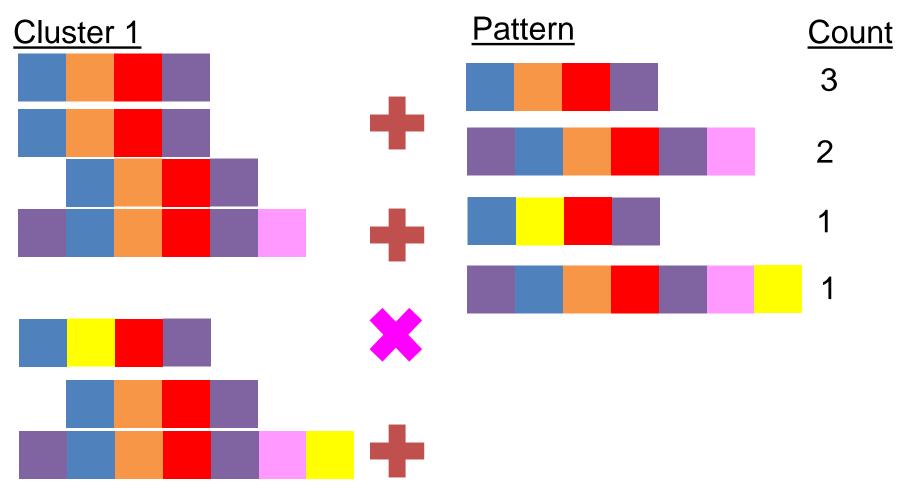
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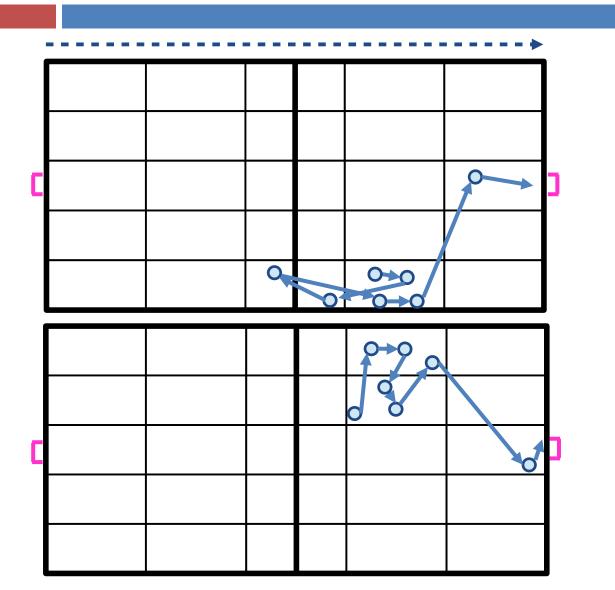


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Two Representative Patterns



An attack down the right flank

An attack down the left flank

Summary

- Focus on learning models from data
 - Expand frontiers of what is possible
 - Account for real world problems
 - Modeling structured data
- Applications drive research agenda
 Health: ADRs
 Sports
 - ...

Questions?