

Corrections to “Worst-Case Analysis of Rule Discovery”

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In the article cited above, which will appear in the Proceedings of Discovery Science 2001, due to an error, the part from “Pr(r_g undiscovered) in section 4 to the end of section 4 should be replaced by the following.

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \Pr(r_g \text{ undiscovered}) \\
 & \leq \text{MAX} \left[\sum_{k=0}^{\lceil m\theta_S \rceil - 1} B(k; m, \Pr(y)), \sum_{k=0}^{\lceil m\widehat{\Pr}(y)\theta_F \rceil - 1} B(k; m\widehat{\Pr}(y), \Pr(x|y)) \right] \quad (23) \\
 & = \text{MAX} \left[\sum_{k=\phi(m, \theta_S)}^m B(k; m, 1 - \Pr(y)), \right. \\
 & \quad \left. \sum_{k=\phi(m\widehat{\Pr}(y), \theta_F)}^{m\widehat{\Pr}(y)} B(k; m\widehat{\Pr}(y), 1 - \Pr(x|y)) \right] \quad (24) \\
 & < \text{MAX} \left\{ \exp \left[-2m \left(\frac{\phi(m, \theta_S)}{m} - 1 + \Pr(y) \right)^2 \right], \right. \\
 & \quad \left. \exp \left[-2m\widehat{\Pr}(y) \left(\frac{\phi(m\widehat{\Pr}(y), \theta_F)}{m\widehat{\Pr}(y)} - 1 + \Pr(x|y) \right)^2 \right] \right\} \quad (25) \\
 & < \text{MAX} \left\{ \exp \left[-2m(-\theta_S + 1 - \zeta)^2 \right], \exp \left[-2m\theta_S(-\theta_F + 1 - \epsilon)^2 \right] \right\}. \quad (26)
 \end{aligned}$$

where $\phi(m, \theta) \equiv m - \lceil m\theta \rceil + 1$.

Note that we consider separately the cases in which the generality and the accuracy of a good rule are below the respective thresholds in (23). Since their probabilities are unknown, we use the same technique as in subsection 3.2. Note that (24) corresponds to replacement of p by $1 - p$ in (5). In (25), the Chernoff bound (6) is employed from (22). Finally in (26), we employ (20) and $\widehat{\Pr}(y) \geq \theta_S$. Note that the last inequality holds in the second term since r_g is undiscovered due to apparently low accuracy.

Similarly to subsection 3.2, the following can be obtained as a the number m of examples for discovery in which overlooking a good rule is avoided with a high probability.

$$m \geq \frac{\ln\left(\frac{|R|}{\delta}\right)}{2\text{MIN}\left[(-\theta_S + 1 - \zeta)^2, \theta_S(-\theta_F + 1 - \epsilon)^2\right]} \quad (27)$$

Note that (27) is equivalent to (17), and similar discussions as subsections 3.2 and 3.3 hold. Note that large margins ($1 - \zeta - \theta_S$ and $1 - \epsilon - \theta_F$ in this case) represent small thresholds in this case, and small thresholds typically result in a large number of candidates of the discovered rule to be inspected. The automatic adjustment of thresholds [11] can be also a realistic measure for this problem.

References

1. E. Suzuki: "Worst-Case Analysis of Rule Discovery", *Proc. Fourth Int'l Conf. of Discovery Science (DS)*, Springer (2001).