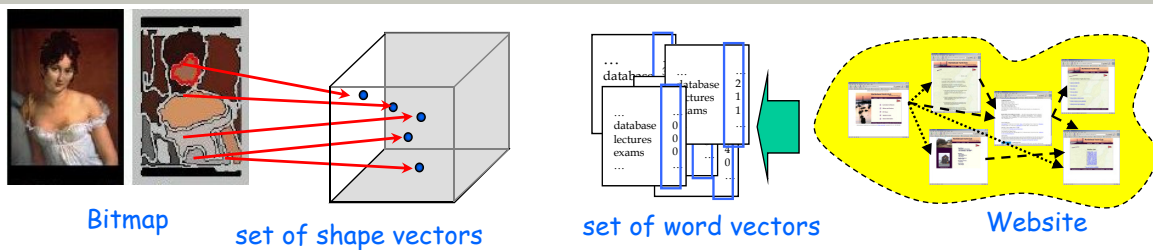


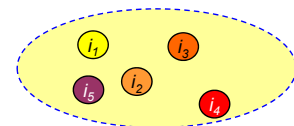
- Multi-Instance Data
- Aggregation-based Methods
- Distance and Similarity Measures
- Multi-Instance Learning and general Multi-Instance Classification
- Clustering Multi-Instance Objects

What is a Multi-Instance Data ?



Multi-Instance objects describe:

- multiple components (e.g. CAD data)
- various appearances (e.g. proteins)
- set-valued objects (e.g. market baskets, teams)



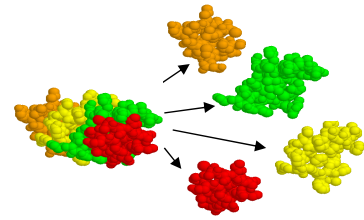
Differences to other structured objects:

1. All instances are elements of the same features space (vs. Multi-View)
2. Multi-Instance objects do not have an order (vs. time-series, sequences)

Proteins

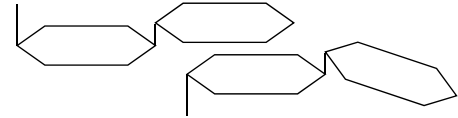
- proteins consist of multiple amino acid sequences
- each sequences is an instance
- a protein is a set of its sequences

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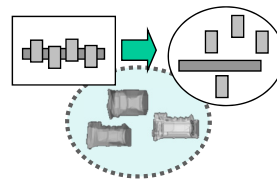


Macro-Molecules

- varying spatial conformations
- each conformation is an instance
- the molecule is described by a set of all possible conformations



- CAD-components: set of spatial primitives



- HTML documents: set of layout blocks (dom tree structure is dropped)



- Video data: videos can be described by sets of shots (order is dropped)



Formal:

Object o is part of the power set of R : $o = \{r_1, \dots, r_n\} \in 2^R$
 where R is the feature space of instance.
 (shortly instance space)



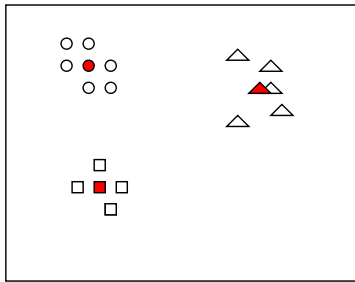
Idea: Reduce the multi-instance object into a single representative instance.

e.g. build the centroid

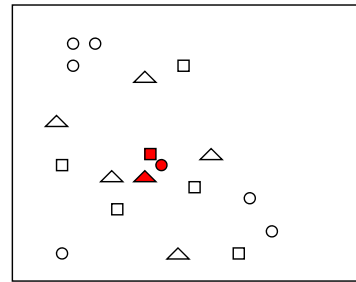
⇒ simple method describing a set by its componentwise means

problems:

- properties of the particular instances are lost
- cardinality of the set is lost
- outliers are not described well



1. case: aggregation on suitable data



2. case: aggregation in unsuitable data

Conclusion: Aggregation depends on the distribution of the objects.

- If all instances are drawn from the same distribution aggregation makes sense.
- If instances might be drawn from different distributions, aggregation is not suitable.

Idea: Many data mining algorithms only need pairwise comparisons.

⇒ Define distances and kernel-functions on multi-instance objects

There are multiple ways to compare multi-instance objects:

- How many instances should be similar?
- Does there have to be a bijective mapping between the sets ?

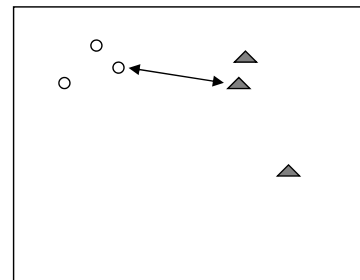
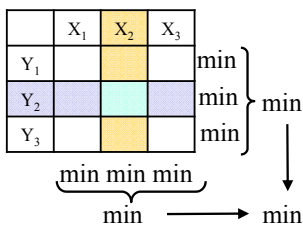
⇒ There are multiple similarity measures which might make sense in varying application areas.

Idea: Used the closest pair of instances.

Definition: Minimal Hausdorff Distance or Single Link Distance

Let O_1, O_2 be two MI-objects and let $d(x,y)$ be an instance distance measure in the underlying feature space R , then the minimal Hausdorff or single link distance is defined as follows:

$$d_{\text{singlelink}}(O_1, O_2) = \min_{o_i \in O_1} \left(\min_{o_j \in O_2} (d(o_i, o_j)) \right)$$

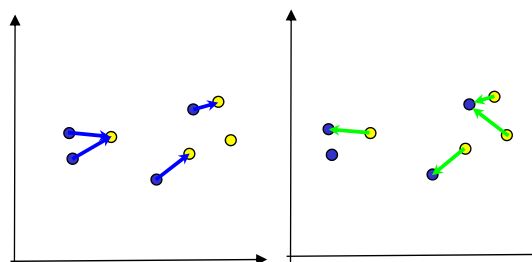
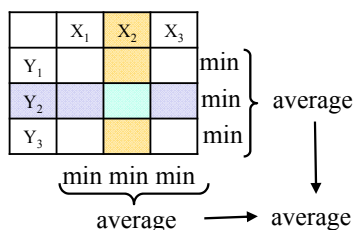


Idea: Use the average distance of closest pairs.

Definition: Sum of Minimum distances (SMD)

Let O_1, O_2 be two MI-objects and $d(x,y)$ an instance distance measure over the feature space R , then the SMD distance is defined as follows:

$$d_{\text{SMD}}(O_1, O_2) = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{1}{|O_1|} \sum_{o_i \in O_1} \left(\min_{o_j \in O_2} (d(o_i, o_j)) \right) + \frac{1}{|O_2|} \sum_{o_j \in O_2} \left(\min_{o_i \in O_1} (d(o_i, o_j)) \right) \right)$$



All distance measures so far have the complexity $O(|O_1| \cdot |O_2| \cdot d)$

- assuming that $d(x,y)$ is computable in $O(d)$
- reason: for each instance in O_1 the distance to each instance in O_2 must be compute.

Metric properties:

- Hausdorff distance is a metric: symmetry, reflexivity, triangular inequality hold.
- single link not even reflexive
- SMD is symmetric and reflexive, but the triangular inequality does not hold.

Idea: The distance between two sets is described by a cost-minimal bijection.

Definition:

Let O_1, O_2 be two MI-objects and let $d(x,y)$ be an instance distance measure over the feature space R , then the Minimal Matching Distance is defined as follows:

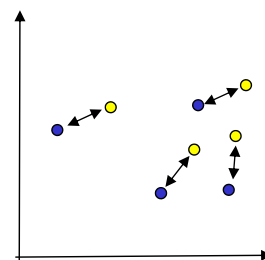
$$d_{MM}(O_1, O_2) = \min_{\pi_i \in \Pi(O_1)} \left(\sum_{k=1}^{|O_2|} d(o_{1,\pi(k)}, o_{2,k}) + \sum_{l=|O_2|+1}^{|O_1|} w(o_{1,\pi(l)}) \right)$$

w.l.o.g. let $|O_1| > |O_2|$. $\Pi(O_1)$ represents the set of all permutations of the instances in O_1 and $w(o_{i,j})$ is a weighting term penalizing matched instances without a match.

Remark:

MMD is metric if $w(o_{i,j})$ is large enough to prevent unmatched instances, i.e. $w(o_{i,j})$ has to be larger than any distance to any other instance.

=> Not matching any object is always worse than matching it

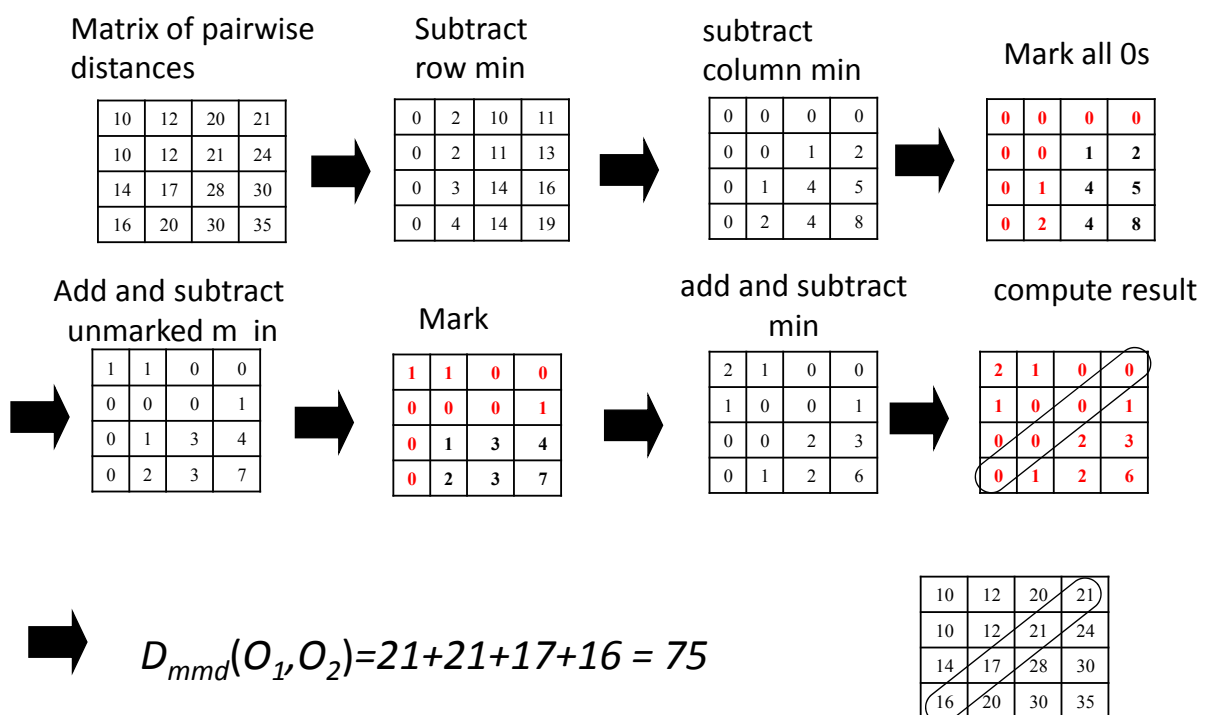


Method: Solve a minimal weight perfect matching problem, e.g. with the Hungarian method (runtime complexity $O(n^3)$).

Algorithm:

1. Compute the bipartite graph between the instances
2. Fill up missing row and columns until the matrix is quadratic (use $w(o_{i,j})$ as values)
3. Subtract the minimum from each row
4. Subtract the minimum from each column
5. Find a minimal set of marks for rows and columns until all 0 elements are covered
6. If the minimal set of marks equals n then permute the matrix in a way that the zero elements occupy the main diagonal
7. If the number of marked rows and columns $< n$
 - a. Search the minimal value among all unmarked objects
 - b. Subtract this minimal value from all unmarked elements
 - c. Add the minimum value to the elements where two marks (1 row and 1 column mark) overlap
 - d. Goto step 5

Example: Computing MMD



Idea: Compare two MI-objects by adding up pairwise similarities where the similarity is described by a kernel.

Definition: Convolution Kernel

Let O_1, O_2 be two MI-Objects and let $K(x, y)$ be a kernel function in feature space R . Then the convolution kernel is defined as follows:

$$K_{Convolution}(O_1, O_2) = \sum_{o_{1,i} \in O_1, o_{2,j} \in O_2} K(o_{1,i}, o_{2,j})$$

Remarks:

- Basic idea is similar to the average-link distance (average value of pairwise distances)
- Convolution kernels are Mercer kernels and can be used for kernel-based learners like SVMs, Kernel-PCA, etc.

Setting: $DB = 2^F$ where F is a feature space.
training set (O, c) where $O \in DB$ and $c \in C$.

Challenge:

Which instances $\{o_i, \dots, o_j\} \subseteq O$ are responsible for the membership of O in class c ?

classic multi instance learning:

- two classes 1 and 0
- object O belongs to class c if there is at least one instance $o_i \in O$ relevant to 1

general multi instance learning:

- arbitrary amount of classes
- instances can be relevant to multiple classes
- class membership might depend on any subset of O

Problem:

MI objects from the same class need not be completely similar (similar w.r.t to each instance). => Classes can be described in multiple different ways

general approach to multi-instance classifiers:

- classes can be defined by „concepts“ on the instances (football team 1 **goal keeper** and 10 **regular players**)
- each concept describes a „class“ of instance
- concepts might occur in a class or be completely absent
- the cardinality of the concepts in the class might play a role (5 goal keeper and 1 regular player is not a football team)

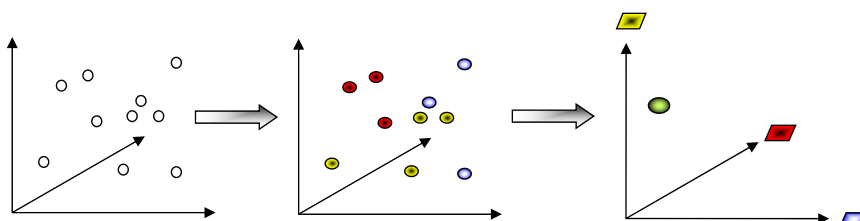
Classification of Multi-Instance objects with given concepts

Input: Let C be a multi-instance class set, let K be a set of instance concepts K and let DB be a set of multi-instance objects DB being labelled with elements from C .

Furthermore, let $CL(O) = c_i \in C$ describe the mapping of object O to the elements of C and let $KL(o_j) = K_l \in K$ describe the mapping of instance o_j to K .

Idea: Two Stage Classification.

- Learn a mapping of instance o_j to concepts K_l
- => Each multi-instance object can be mapped to a distribution over K
- Learn a classifier mapping concept distribution to multi-instance classes C .



Classification of multi-instance objects with unknown concepts

Input: Let C be a multi-instance class set and let DB be a set of multi-instance objects DB being labelled with elements from C .

Furthermore, let $CL(O) = c_i \in C$ describe the mapping of object O to the elements of C .

Problem: The concepts for defining a class are unknown

=> training a classifier to predict instance concepts is not possible

Solution approaches:

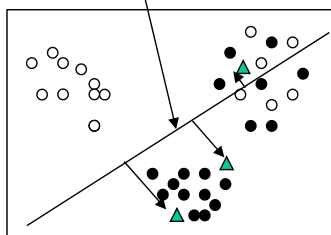
- train an instance classifier predicting the likelihood that instance o_j is element of any multi-instance object O having a class c_j .
- Aggregate the prediction over all instances in O
(assumption: O was generated by drawing n times with replacement)

Remark:

- methods depends on reliability of the confidence values
- method assumes the independency of the instances (multinomial distribution)

Example: 2 classes, 3 „unknown“ concepts

linear instance classifier

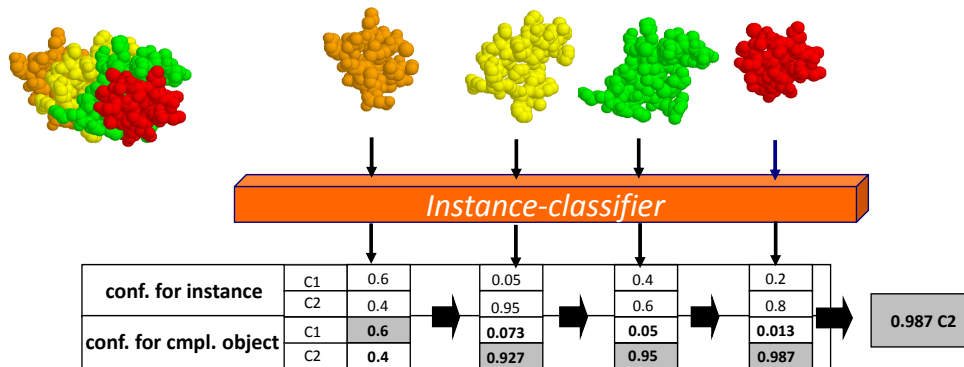


- Trainings set for instance classifier

$$TR_A = \bigcup_{O_i \in DB} \{o_j \in O_i \wedge CL(O_i) = A\}$$

- instances in concepts being typical for a class should be classified with a high confidence
- instances in ambiguous concepts should be classified with smaller confidence values
- the classifier often needs rather complex class borders (small bias but larger likelihood of overfitting)

Example: Combination of the instance predictions



Confidence of O for class C_k :
$$\Pr[C_k | O] = \frac{\Pr[C_k] \cdot P[O | C_k]}{\sum_{i \in C} \Pr[C_i] \cdot P[O | C_i]}$$
 (Bayes theorem)

where
$$\Pr[W | O_k] = \prod_{p_i \in W} \Pr[I_i | C_k]$$

Setting: There is one relevant concept K_{rel} . All objects containing at least one instance $o_i \in O$ with $K(o_i) = K_{rel}$ belong to class „relevant“.

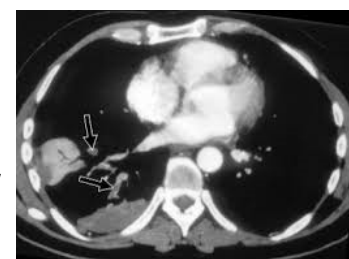
Examples:

1- Does a molecule smell like musk? [Dietterich et al. 1998]

Molecules are described as sets of spatial conformations. If the molecule has a spatial conformation matching the musk receptor, it has a musky smell.

2- Search for lung embolisms

CT scanner generates a set of suspicious areas in the lung. If a least one of them is a lung embolism the patient needs treatment.



<http://medicalpicturesinfo.com/pulmonary-embolism/>

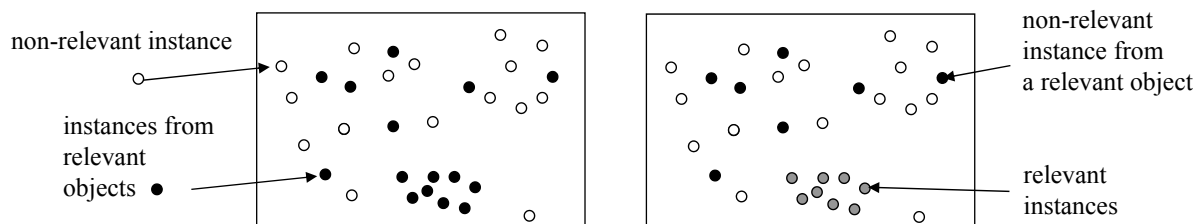
Approach: Classify all single instances

=> if one is relevant, the complete object is relevant as well.

Problem: Labeled instances are only reliable for the non-relevant class.

Remark: Multi-instance learning corresponds to learning a classifier for the relevant concept

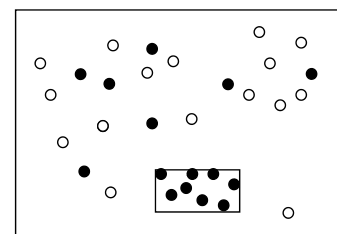
- all instances of objects in the non-relevant class cannot be part of the relevant concept
- instances of objects from the relevant class can belong to both concepts
- at least one instance for each object has to belong to the relevant concept



Approaches to classical multi-instance learning

Find a region in the feature space which contains only relevant instances (no negative samples) and contains at least one instance from each relevant object.

- Solution space is constructed by all sets of instances containing one instance from each objects. (assume: k objects having n instances => n^k solutions)



- Each solution can be used to demark the relevant area of the feature space
- It cannot be guaranteed that there is one area without any non-relevant samples
- Irrelevant features, learning bias etc. also influence the quality

Expectation Maximization Diverse Density classification (EM-DD)

Idea: Describe the relevant concept by an instance h and weights s_d for weighting the influence of the features $D=\{d_1, \dots, d_m\}$.

Predicting the object class is done by the max confidence of any instance in O :

$$Label(O_i | h, \vec{s}) = \max_j \left\{ \exp \left[- \sum_{i=1}^m (s_i (o_{j,i} - h_i))^2 \right] \right\}$$

where $l=0$ codes „relevant“ and $l=1$ codes „irrelevant“

The Quality of the classifier for set DB can be described by the Negativ Logarithmic Diverse Density ($NLDD$):

$$NLDD(h, \vec{s}, DB) = \sum_{i=1}^{|DB|} \left(- \log \left(|l_i - Label(O_i | h, \vec{s})| \right) \right)$$

EM-DD training algorithm:

init h //e.g. centroid of a samples of the relevant instances, $s_i = 0.1$

While($NLDD_{new} < NLDD_{old}$)

FOR ALL O_i in DB mit $CL(O_i) =$ „relevant“ DO

$$o_i^* = \arg \max_{o_{ij} \in O_i} (Label(O_i | h, \vec{s}))$$

$$h' = \arg \max_{h \in H} \prod_{i=1}^n \Pr(l_i | h, \vec{s}, o_i^*) \quad // \text{ optimization of weights}$$

// by gradient descent

$$NLDD_{old} = NLDD_{new}$$

$$NLDD_{new} = NLDD(h', D)$$

$$h = h'$$

return h

Remark: $\Pr(l_i | h, \vec{s}, o_i^*) = \exp \left[- \sum_{i=1}^m (s_i (o_i^* - h_i))^2 \right]$

Conclusions:

general Multi-Instance Classification

- only a view dedicated approaches are published
- most approaches are based on distance measures or kernels

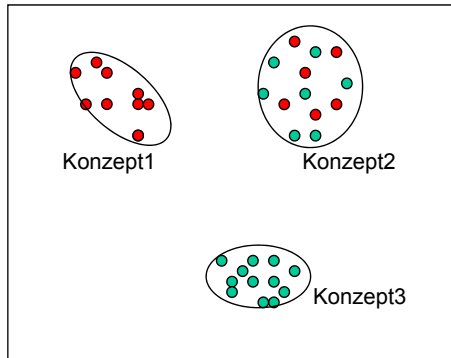
Classical Multi-Instance Learning

- Large effort in the research community
 - Citation-kNN and Bayes-kNN (nearest neighbor-based approaches)
 - Multi-Instance decision trees and rule-based classifiers
 - Neural Networks for multi-instance objects
 - ⇒ EM-DD (showed most promising results without any meta-learning)
- General benchmark is the musk use case !!
More practical results showed good results for general MI-learners

- MI-Objects can be clustered based on distance-based methods such as k-Medoid, DBSCAN, OPTICS, etc.
 - selecting a well-suited distance measure is very important
 - only applicable to purely distance-based methods (cluster model ?)
(e.g., k-Means cannot be used due to the lack of centroids)
- concept-based multi-instance clustering
use the concept model from classification:
 1. instances belong to certain concepts
 2. multi-instance objects can be described by distribution over the concepts and their cardinality

⇒ clusters can be composed by objects having similar concept distributions and size

Idea: Each instance $o_i \in O$ represents a concept.
 Multi-instance (MI-)cluster are distributions over the set of concepts.



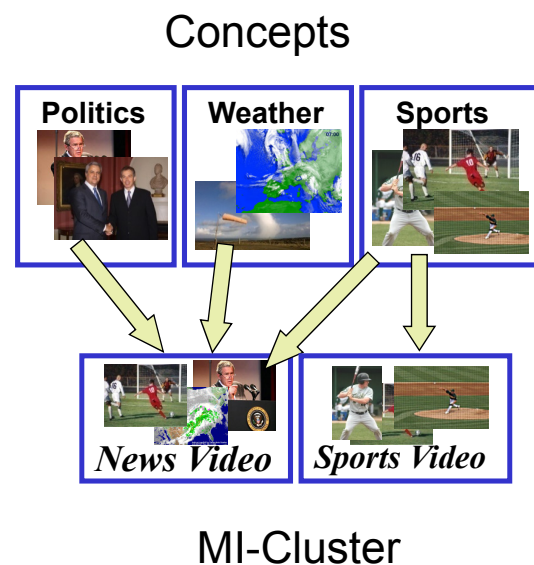
MI-Cluster1 contains instances from concept1 and concept 2.

MI-Cluster2 contains instances from concept2 and concept 3.

Description of a MI-cluster = cluster description of the contributing concepts

Example: Video Data

- Videos are represented as sets of Shots/Scenes
 - Shots belong to a concept (e.g. sports, weather,..)
 - videos are sets of shots (MI objects)
- ⇒ MI-cluster contain video with shots belonging to the same concepts
- ⇒ Sport-videos contain sports shots
- ⇒ News videos contains sports, weather, politics,...-shots



Definition 1: Instance Set

- **DB** a set of MI-objects $o = \{i_1, \dots, i_k\}$

- the instance set I_{DB} of DB:
$$I_{DB} = \bigcup_{DB} o$$

Definition 2: Instance Model

An Instance Model IM for the instance set I_{DB} is defined as follows:

- k distributions describing concepts e.g. Gaussian with mean μ_j and covariance matrix Σ_j .
- a prior distribution on the concepts $\Pr[k_j]$.

Definition 3: Multi-Instance Cluster Model

- a set C of clusters over the instance model IM .
- All MI-Cluster $c \in C$ are described as follows:
 - a priori probability $\Pr[c]$,
 - a cardinality distribution $\Pr[Card(o) | c]$
 - an conditional distribution of concepts $\Pr[i \in k | i \in o \in c]$ (shortly: $\Pr[k | c]$) for each concept k in IM .

The total probability of object o is computed as follows:

$$\Pr[o] = \sum_{c \in C} \Pr[c] \cdot \Pr[Card(o) | c] \cdot \prod_{i \in o} \prod_{k \in IM} \Pr[k | c]^{\Pr[k|i]}$$

the a-posteriori probability of o and cluster c is given as:

$$\Pr[c | o] = \frac{1}{\Pr[o]} \Pr[c] \cdot \Pr[Card(o) | c] \cdot \prod_{i \in o} \prod_{k \in IM} \Pr[k | c]^{\Pr[k|i]}$$

Example: 2 MI-Cluster

Cluster 1: ▲

50 % apriori probability

expected number if instances: 2 3

concept1	concept2	concept3
0.2 1	0.01	0.79 2

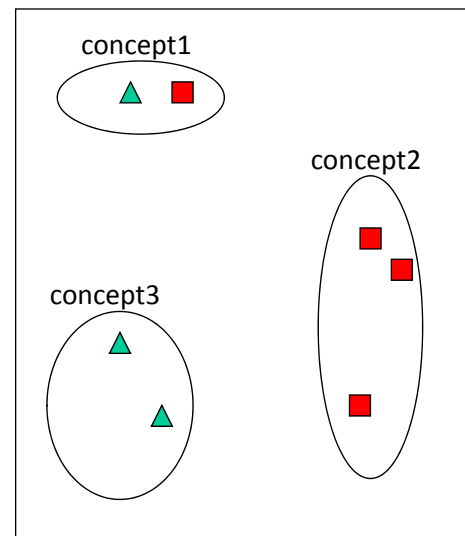
Cluster 2: ■

50 % apriori probability

expected number if instances : 5 4

concept1	concept2	concept3
0.1 1	0.89 3	0.01

Instance Model IM



Overview of the algorithm:

- 1- Compute a mixture model (IM) on the instance set I
(*build concepts by instance clustering using EM*)
- 2- Compute an initial model for clustering MI objects
- 3- Use an EM based on the multinomial distribution to optimize the cluster model

Step(1):

Build I_{DB} and use EM-clustering to derive IM .

Step(2):

- For each MI-object O in DB build a “Confidence Summary Vector” $CSV(o)$.
 - each dimension is a concept
 - the i -th component of $CSV(o)$ is defined as:

$$CSV_j(o) = \sum_{i \in o} \Pr[k_j] \cdot \Pr[i | k_j]$$

- use k-means to group the $CSVs$ to an initial cluster model

Step 3: MI-EM

E-Step: Compute the Log-Likelihood of the current model M .

$$E(M) = \sum_{o \in DB} \log \sum_{c_i \in C} \Pr[c_i | o]$$

M-Step: apply the following updates:

update apriori probability: $W_{c_i} = \Pr[c_i] = \frac{1}{Card(DB)} \sum_{o \in DB} \Pr[c_i | o]$

update cardinality distribution: $l_{c_i} = \frac{\sum_{o \in DB} \Pr[c_i | o] \cdot Card(o)}{Card(DB)} \cdot \frac{1}{MAXLENGTH}$

update concept distribution: $P_{k_j, c_i} = \Pr[k_j, c_i] = \frac{\sum_{o \in DB} \left(\Pr[c_i | o] \cdot \sum_{u \in o} \Pr[u | k_j] \right)}{\sum_{o \in DB} \Pr[c_i | o]}$

Conclusions:

- aggregation is useful for homogeneous sets
- multiple distance and similarity function for MI objects
- distance measures can be plugged into various algorithms
- selecting the right distance measure is essential to the success
- concept-based mining abstracts sets to concepts and applies data mining to the concept distribution
- concept-based rely on a suitable set of concepts and methods to assign instances to this concept

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