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For Introduction of idea of use of encl. coding for prob. eval:

In optimum coding of messages, for communication, any regularities in P_n ~~message~~ seq. of symbols is utilized to reduce P_n no. of bits needed to code P_n message. We use a priori information about P_n relative probability of various possible sequences of symbols, to reduce P_n no. of bits needed for coding.

In the system proposed, we invert this procedure and try various methods of coding a given sequence of symbols. That coding method that is most compact, ^{no. of bits of the} is then used as an index of P_n a priori probability of the ^{sequence} coded. [actually, we sum P_n a priors of all ways of coding P_n seq. - only P_n most compact descn) & signif., hvr. (mention convergence probs)]

A few of the Q's that ~~must be~~ should be answered by a satisfactory Theory of ind. inf.

1) In any circumstance for any previous history, give a probty for any possl. continuation.

2) Give the freq. ratio for ^{the rel. probty, for} large samples.

3) Explain why theories devised before emp. data is known, and verified by that data, are gn. more credence than those devised after data is known, and agree with that data.

We may say that post hoc theory may be ad-hock - a priori theory is less likely to be ad-hock. But we feel that whether a theory is ad-hock or not should be determined by examining the theory itself, and not its history of the theory - otherwise we clearly do not understand "operationally" what ~~is~~ characterizes an "ad-hock^e theory". Also, ~~it is likely~~ it is likely that a theory should have degrees of ad-hockness - not ~~that~~ have ad-hockness be a yes-no property, depending whether the theory was made up before or after the expts. were performed. (give R. Einstein-Milne example)

4) ~~is~~ The problem of "Geometric Probability" - its relation to ~~an~~ evaluation of a priors. How Geom. probty is a ~~rather~~ special case of diffy in using "Pr. principal of indifference".

5) When can "The principal of indifference" be used? (see 4).

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6) Th. B.G. (or Max. Coin) problem: What to do, when
2 different freq. counts ~~can~~ give different probab.
estimates for the same event. (2)

7) In (Vol II I think) Polya, there ^{is a list of} ~~are~~ some desiderata of
inductive inference systems.

8) Th. principle of parsimony should hold - i.e. greater approp
to "simpler" hypotheses.

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THE USE OF FORMAL LANGUAGES FOR MECHANIZED INDUCTIVE INFERENCE

For many years, standard algebraic curves have been used to smooth, interpolate and extrapolate quantitative empirical data. It will be shown how formal languages may take an analogous role in smoothing and extrapolating qualitative data. Some examples of this kind of extrapolation are the discovery of the general grammar rules of a language, from a finite sample of acceptable sentences in that language. Other examples of induction of this sort in linguistics and mathematics will be given.

A particular type of language, called the "weak phrase structure language", has been investigated at some length, and some of its applications will be shown in inductive inference for multidimensional, as well as linear patterns.

Th. talk itself:

This will start out with some detailed analogy betw. curve fitting and grammar fitting. Give some actual results of this ~~work~~ "novel" way of looking at curve fitting - e.g. that for n data points, one may have a ~~2~~ $2n$ or $3n$ parameter curve be the "best fit".

After this, which is to motivate interest in "grammar fitting", for extrapolation, - go into lugs in more detail - in particular Th. general non-dim. PST. and its various applications. Just mention, but do not demonstrate, Th.

use of a TM_2 for multiplic.

Much of Th. material will be Th. same as for Th. RCA talk.

Perhaps some info on use of stock lugs. for

① MT

② IR

③ optimum learning of an operator T.M. (recent learning).

Letter to Gorn: ① Mention "Tree lugs".

② how lugs will talk be?

③ Give him more details on talk, as

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Talk ^{actually} / gn. at U of Penn Seminar: 4 P.M.

①

1. Defn. of "Lang."

a) Alphabet.

b) sub-set of order seqs of Alphabet symls.

c) ~~Lang.~~ Examples: ① English (with letters or words as "Alphabet").

② All strng express whose values = 0

③ All legal thms. that follow from

a gn. set of postulates.

2. Probs. in Lang.

a) Gn

2. Def. of "Grammar"

$a^m k_0 b^m k_2 c^n$

a) Constructive

b) Decision Procedure.

3. Probs in Lang.

a) Construct \rightarrow Decis. proc. form (e.g. in math.)

b) Dec. Proc. \rightarrow Constr.

"simplest."

c) Induction: Gn. set of ass - to find Grammar.

① If one can ask Q's.

② " " can't " " "

4. Examples of simple langs:

a) FSL

Gen. by FS Machine.

b) PSL

$$11\Lambda + 111\Lambda = 1111\Lambda$$

$$1^m\Lambda + 1^n\Lambda = 1^{m+n}\Lambda$$

A
A
B
P
S

- S
- A \rightarrow Λ
- A \rightarrow $1A1$
- B \rightarrow $\Lambda + A$
- B \rightarrow $1B1$
- S \rightarrow $B\Lambda$

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5.

PSL's

More genl. than simple concat. strings.

(2)

a) Chem. Compounds.

b) MT Give defn.

c) Use for Multiple. - Hyper Order langs.

~~Learning, Induction.~~
~~with~~
~~Wi~~

Quasars Briefly

Linguist ind. int.

Talk lasted ~ 55 min. - wasn't very well organized

Things to discuss with Chomsky:

1. Has he shown that Eng. is not expressible by type 2 langs? (or ^{Non-CDS?} ~~other~~ than my counter examples)
2. " " " " " " " " " " type 1 " ? ^{CDS?}
3. The importance of MT studies, rather ~~than~~ than grammatical studies to determine "true" structure. e.g. MT of $L_1 \rightarrow$ "Meaning"
 ⓐ How str. for MT may not = ~~str.~~ str. needed to construct L_1 .
 ⓑ How parsing grammar may not \equiv construction grammar.
4. ~~Paradox of generalized Putnam's theorem for all decidable, finite grammars.~~
5. ^{non-dim.} PSP's - are they weaker or stronger than ~~the~~ type 1 langs?
6. Stochastic Langs - ~~the~~ a soln. to the ind. inf. prob.
7. Get reprints:
 ⓐ ~~Review of Skinner's book ("Verbal Behavior")~~
 ⓑ " " " Greenberg's essays in ~~the~~ Linguistics
 ⓓ ~~"Formal props. of Grammars"~~
8. The subclass of SPSL's used by the U of Penna Group for parsing English
 ⓐ Can it do $AB \rightarrow BA$?
9. Quick way to tell if 2 PSG's are identical?
 ⓐ W PSG
 ⓑ SPSG.
 ⓒ How equiv. PSG's may form a PSL.
10. How "Dimensionality" may help with 9.) \uparrow see PSL-discy 46728 for direct "dimensionality"

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Prob. of Art. Intell.

Gr. at Nat. Bu. standards.

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lasted $1\frac{1}{2}$ hrs.
- rather well given.
 $\sim \frac{1}{2}$ hr. on new ind. inf. idea
I don't think they got much out
of that, hr. - too high %
linguists in audience.

~~Neural Nets / Random / Non-addict~~

① Art. intell. : ~~unorganized~~ ind. inf. ~~very poor~~

2Dim. Patt. discy :

② Idea that solu. to ~~stat.~~ stat. inf. prob. is known
that prob. is to make ~~work~~ practical // computer
using neural nets.

③ That ind. inf. prob. is not solved:

e.g. ① T. S. That ~~is~~ seems to change statistics.
Stock market.

② // lines of inference.

Blue eyes — die at 60, Prob P_1 .
red hair — " " " " P_2 .

③

Ask Q's if particularly interested in any
topic mentioned.

$$A \cap B = n(\sim A \cup \sim B)$$

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Idea of talk:

Just what langs are:

- A. ~~Deter~~ Ord. langs
- B. Stoch langs. (
 - FSL
 - W.PSL
 - More Genl. langs.
 - Most Genl. langs. (In terms. of TMachines)
 - (i.e. Fixed string, followed by arb. string)

1) What langs. are: Some Examples

my study theory?

2) Applics. of "langs." a) M.T.
 b) Extrapolation (≡ concept formation, Gestalten) - E.G. "Curve fitting", Char. Recogn., Discovery of "characters", Discy of "invariants"; Scientific Laws, weather Prediction,

3) Examples of langs. recog. by finite Automata.

a) FSL ① Deterministic
 ② Stoch (≡ Markov).

b) WPSL ① Determin: example.

S	∴	$2^n b^n$ ($n \geq 1$)
S → ab		
S → aSb		

Subs. rules: ① Always ↑ length. of strings.
 ② No CDS.

S → NP · VP
 NP → ~~Art~~ · N
 VP → V · NP
 V → saw
 V → was
 N → Boy,
 Man
 Dog
 Art →

Multi-dim. ~~PSL's~~ PSL's.
 How MT may, be a PSL for some lang. pairs.
 e.g. Ord. alg. to "Polish" notation
~~Organic~~
 Organic Chemicals.

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$$11\Lambda + 111\Lambda = 1111\Lambda$$

$$A \rightarrow \Lambda =$$

$$A \rightarrow |A|$$

$$B \rightarrow \Lambda + A$$

$$B \rightarrow |B|$$

$$S \rightarrow B\Lambda$$

$$1^n \Lambda + 1^m \Lambda = 1^{m+n} \Lambda$$

$$1^n \Lambda + 1^m \Lambda = 1^m 1^n \Lambda$$

Arith. Multiplic

$$k_0 a^n k_1 b^m k_2 c^m k_3 d^n k_4$$

4) Problem of Induction :

simplest. lang.

Easy if Q's can be asked.

Deferm. lang.

Info rat.

MT

can be learned
at present, under
unreal conds.

~~Very difficult~~

Much difficulty if error is made.

5) Prob of ~~Arith~~ Induction :

~~Stock. Lang.~~

Stock PSL'S.

S

S \rightarrow ab

S \rightarrow aSb

Genl. soln.

- Several ways to parse a gen. S.
- Several "parsing" routines.

(Stock Gram; S) \rightarrow proby.

(Corpus, Stock gram) \rightarrow ~~prob.~~ proby.

(Corpus, stock gram, ~~aprip~~ aprip(Gramm)) \rightarrow ~~apsip~~ apsip.

To ~~maximize~~ choose stock gram \rightarrow apsip is max.

or more genl. ~~soln~~ exact soln.

- Is hill climbing problem

Idea is to find types of "proximity xfunns".

SOS talk:

May 22-24, 1962 Chicago

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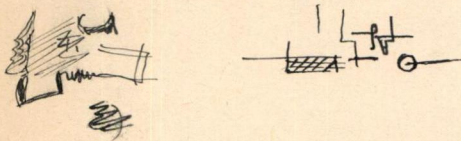
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- 1) Give backgd., of old work,
- ERE pap.
 - V. evaln. (~~some~~ unsatisfactory soln.)
 - Gen. Ind. Inf. Theo.

- 2) Present approach is to solv. improving Machine. (with resp. to some criterion)
- Genl. program improving machine with resp. to
 - Such a machine is gen. probs like itself, to start out
 - Machine is gen. itself.
 - Most probs. of int. can be expressed as H.C. probs. on p.p.m.s.
- 3) first step is simple ind inf. machine.

- desc. in ^{a little} ~~more~~ detail.
- How differs from
 - OK approach
 - ~~some~~ Kilburn, Sumner, Grim's date
 - Newall, Simon.



conds. under with "opt" approach is reasonable
27 48
78 27
fig. takes much time or exp. data
Randomness, non opt. search.
Opt. search speed also gives opt. ext. eval.
Uniformly best (except for "work").
Need for new theory with criterion of solvability with resp. to gen. machine size and time of soln.
Analogy to opt. coding in noise, using various code lengths.

- 4) a) Next step is improvement of hours
- systematization of hours.
 - Evalu. of marginal U of hours
" " U of set of hours



- 5) Various (improvement) work on / p.p.m. imp. prob. - (how differs from Aris' evaln, say)
- Hours are similar
 - work on hour improv. prob.

6) Most probs of int

7) Some details of "rules", hours, etc.

$$\left. \begin{aligned} A+B &\rightarrow M+AB \\ A-B &\rightarrow M-AB \\ (A) &\rightarrow A \end{aligned} \right\}$$

b) $3 + 4 \times 5 = 23$

c)

$$\begin{aligned} &\cancel{A+B} \\ 3 + 5 - (5+2) \\ 3 + 5 - (7) \\ 2 \times 8 - (2) \\ 8 - 7 \\ &\downarrow \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &\cancel{3 + 4(5+2)} \\ 3 + 4(7) \\ &\cancel{3 +} \end{aligned}$$

SOS conf talk:

- 1) Prob. - Machine to (a) solve ~~diff~~ non-trivial probs. (adequate vocab. to solve anything)
- (b) Self-improving - can work on prob. of improving self.

(c) A machine built to ~~optimize~~ find paths. that are opt. with resp. to ^{exp} certain gen. criterion.

- (d) Give machine prob. of improving itself
- (e)

2) First step is simple ind. int. machine, - critic. learning.

(a) Like $3 + 7 = 10$

(b) Rules are like $A + B \Rightarrow M + A B$

(c) Randomly constructed from basic Alph. of symbols.

(d) How differs from my work of ~~1950~~ ~ 5 yrs ago

① U of abs. not worked out at that time.

② Now I have ~~worked~~ apparently workable Genl. ind. int. theory.

(e) How differs from Kilburn, Sumner, Grimsdale ~~1950~~, ~ 1959

① They tried to make a machine that would look like thinking, prob. solving human.

② ~~Can~~ con con with randomness "for originality".

(c) Discussion on P, \sqrt{P} , "optimum" search.

~~\sqrt{P}~~ \sqrt{P} ~~is~~ faster than P, but "poorer" ans. .

opt. faster than ~~any~~ any, also "better" but

not always realistically faster.

(b) ~~Criteria~~ Criteria for success are simplified by reasonable constraints. e.g. search time $\sim n$ for n possy, $\rightarrow \infty$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$, but we can cut off trials at some "reasonable" n .

usually irrat. { ~~computability, unsolvability~~ unsolvability by finite machine } ~~V.S.~~ V.S. solvable in time T_n by machine with mem. of N .
 "trivially" solvable

? (Analogy to opt. coding in noise.)

③ Improve ~~many~~ solu. methods,
" " methods of finding \rightarrow new solns.

④ Systematization of ~~many~~ solu. methods into compact notation / so that possy. of creating these rules thro a random generation system is max.
I.e. find ~~max~~ ^{good} stock program

④ Then work on form optzn.
⑤ Hours seem n or identical /

⑤ Rules, hours, etc.

⑥ $3+4=7$ $A+B \rightarrow M+AB$
 $A-B \rightarrow M-AB$ } O.K. for probs
 $(A) \rightarrow A$ } with +, -, (,)

⑥ ~~3+4x5~~ $3+4x5$
teach Mult. ^{div.} first, then +, -

⑥ +, - rule are ~~not~~ context dependent.

e.g. $(A-B) \rightarrow (M-AB)$
↑ ↑
~ 50 cont-dep. rules.

⑥ ~~⑥~~ ^⑥ implemented \uparrow in a prep with grouping of CDS rules : e.g.

$\alpha A + B \beta \Rightarrow \alpha A + B \beta$
 $\alpha = (,), +$
 $\beta = (, -, +,)$

⑥ some trial numbers.

for ~~AB~~ $A \times B \rightarrow M \times AB$
10¹⁰ for simple, initial Mex search
50 better for later " "
20 " " opt. search,

~~Much~~ 10⁻¹⁴ for row $(A-B) \rightarrow (M-AB)$

n 1000 better for opt, + experience
log factor for factorization.

(+) Genl. method to compute λ in a pair due to
grouping.

Lecture on. To Musky's class March 24, 1960
 Essentially all of this material was covered in 55 min.
 Before lecture, 3 blackboards filled with diagrams.

Motivation.

1. Goals: Ind. Inf. Pattern extrapolation. Examples: (a) Pattern disccy
 (e.g. R. letter class "A")
 more examples: (b) M. T. by example
 (c) Classification of docs for IR, by example.
 (d) Operator extrapolation. Gn. set of "good" $I \rightarrow O$ pairs.

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 computer?)

2. Concept of Langs.: (a) Alphabet, subset of strings.

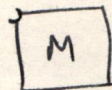
Examples: English; binary + ; multiple probs; correct alg. exps.

theorems folp. from gn. set of axioms;

- (b) Types (1) FSL
 (2) PSL.

- kinds of Grammars: (1) Constructive
 (2) ~~Task~~ Task method

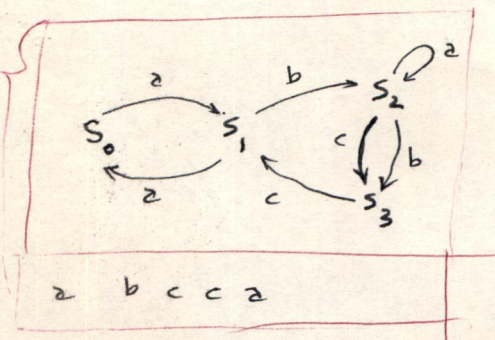
3. FSL'S.



M in S_3 at t_2

Then M emits symbol a, and goes to state S_2 at time $t+1$.

leave



- (1) Can be recognized by FS Machine. (2) Constructable from "state diagrams".

Use in psych. testing by Chomsky Miller.

Exists / ^{simple} disccy procedure for Gram., if Q's are askable.

4. ~~FLA~~ PSL

example of essentially non-FSL: $a^n b^n$.

PSG: $S \rightarrow ab$
 $S \rightarrow a s b$.

cannot be recog. by FSMachine —
 e.g. human. — non. recog = \emptyset .

~~English~~ Simple English Grammar is not FSG — but Grammar of Eng. in Q — innov. by Yipve.

Eng. as PSL:

$S \rightarrow NP \cdot VP$

$NP \rightarrow Art \cdot N$

$VP \rightarrow V \cdot NP$

$V \rightarrow \text{Saw}$

$V \rightarrow \text{was}$

$N \rightarrow \text{Boy}$

$N \rightarrow \text{Man}$

$N \rightarrow \text{Dog}$

$Art \rightarrow \text{The}$

~~Construction~~ Construction always \uparrow length of string (or remains same), finite alph.

\therefore lang. decidable.

\exists several simple decision procedures.

e.g. ① Bar-Hillel (not very practical)

② Two of mine.

Another form of PSL:

$S \rightarrow a b$

$S \rightarrow a s b$

$a x s x b \in S$

$a x b \in S$

$S \rightarrow A b$

$S \rightarrow B D$

$A \rightarrow D S b$

$A \rightarrow a$

$D \rightarrow s s$

$D \rightarrow b A$

$D \rightarrow d$

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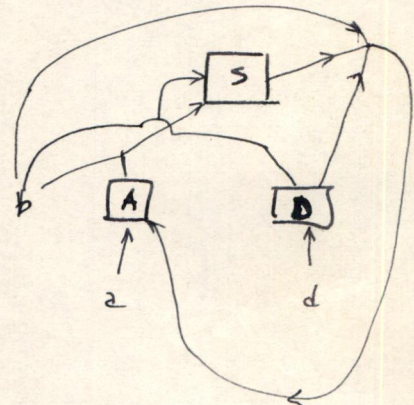
$A x b \in S$

$b x D \in S$

$D x s x b \in S$

$a \in A$

etc.



These x's may be

any operations

A, b, etc may be classes of any kinds.

Gives Great Generality.

"Basic Loop" form of FSL's, PSL's. ??

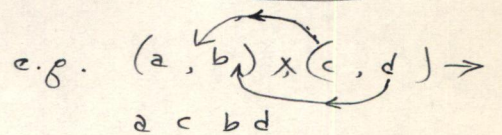
ordinary PSL

~~...~~

$a^n b^m c^m d^n e^n$

$a^n b^m c^m d^n e^m$ imposs.

Is poss. with more genl. PSL's like



Examples of ~~...~~ PSL's:

$|| \Lambda + ||| \Lambda = |||| \Lambda$

$1^n \Lambda + 1^m \Lambda = 1^{m+n} \Lambda$

$S \rightarrow B \Lambda$
 $B \rightarrow \Lambda B \Lambda$
 $B \rightarrow \Lambda + \Lambda$
 $A \rightarrow \Lambda A$
 $A \rightarrow \Lambda =$

Also subtraction

for multip^{of 2 nos.} we don't have PSL, but Grammar is a PSL.

" of 3 nos, Gram of Gram of Gram is PSL, etc.

MT
first explain
"Polish"
notation

Q-Q → a
→ a
→ b
→ b
→ c
→ c

N-N → -
→ S
→ +
→ A
→ I
→ M

→ (Q N Q)
I N Q Q I

example:

a I (b + c)
M a I A b c I

Note: Do "+" substit.
befor "M". Practice this
before lecture.

State of induction problem:

PSG discy with Q's, can be done. So MT could be done

- but ① large no. of Q's.
- ② No errors give trouble.

PSG discy w.o. Q much harder — much progress —

A teleological solut obtained. — (≡ Hill (firm big prob.) —

Several hours obtained — adequacy unknown —

Gaul. soln. Ind. inf. prob.

Stack loops were mentioned in only a very cursory way,

Fri May 20, 1960

This was the 2nd part of the lecture of Mar 24, 60

Talk to Marv's Class:

Trust: 1) Stock PSL's

2) Genl. ind. inf. by coding - how connected to

3) 1956 Ind. inf. Machine

- how to compute utilities - actual examples

4) How to compute U's for Pandemonium and GPS.

5) Use of for curve fitting,

Where combs. of abs. occur and

Method: ①

Go thru Pandemonium, showing where epis. probs arise - how U eval is needed

②

Go thru Arden learning

showing where U eval is needed.

③

Present Genl. Theo. of ind. inf. Give simple example of

Markoff chain using "R" coding.

④

Show how curve fitting is done: ① Normally - what diff's are

② How done by coding

How RMS error is used by special notation for Gauss distribu.

2 extreme kinds of Grammar - how avoided.

Show how PSL's are coded: Show how +woc/ can

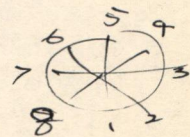
be done with

FSL

1 2

(=, 1)

(=, 101)



1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | = 0, = 1

= 0 | 0 | also 0 | 1 | = 1

Bu (M)

+ 1100 | 1 |
0101 | 0 |
1101 | 1 |

+ 1 | 1 |
1 | 1 |

Fri May 20: 1960 for Marvin's class.

Actually Gn!

① Pandemonium: Combs of ops.

(a) Use of $ngm \cdot ktu$ probies.

(b) " " ngm . probies, with. defs, and Utility

$$U_{child} = f(U_{parent}, \text{Emp. Usefulness})$$

② Dart T.M.

(a) = use of $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$

(b) \sim " " = $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$, $\sim \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$, etc.

(c) use of $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$, etc.

(d) " " $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \times (=, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix})$

$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \times (=, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}) \approx$ etc.

$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \times m,$

(A) \oplus

$$\begin{array}{r} 1001 \\ 1010 \\ \hline 1011 \end{array}$$

and \otimes

$$\begin{array}{r} 1001 \\ 1011 \\ \hline 1001 \end{array}$$

use of $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ only

" " $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$

1

use of

$\otimes \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \times (\otimes, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix})$

etc.

③ Coding method of ind. inf. | Not too much detail
some discn. of n.b. PSG discy,

④ Some applic of ③ to U eval for Pand. and to ^{penl.} hill climbing.

The delivery of talk was good. Topics ③ and ④ not explained very well.

Talk to Marv's class Wed May 16, 62.

On the Coding Method of Ind. Inf. How is it "solved" now, and how well?

Discuss
Pitt.
Disy
Kadran
proving.

1. What is problem? Give examples: weather, horse racing, Sc. laws, stock market, trial steps in Math proofs, curve extrapoln
2. Why is it worth solving? we'd like to do it better, than we do now, perhaps with machine aid - perhaps learn to combine grasses of human experts.
3. a) What's wrong with the obvious solutions?
b) " " " other proposed solns?
4. What is my solution? How does it differ from others? How does it overcome diffys ~~at~~ other theories have trouble with?

Perhaps try to combine 3) and 4).

My soln.: 1) That all induction probs. can be ~~re~~ x fnd to induction on very long symbol string containing all info. that is used in th. induction. (Perhaps give examples).

2) ~~I~~ I use Bayes Theorem: Give ^{simple} example of how used:

$$\begin{array}{l}
 - a b a c c a a b a \\
 - a b a c c a a b b \\
 - a b a c c d d b c
 \end{array}
 \left. \begin{array}{l}
 P_1 = 3 \times 10^{-5} \\
 P_2 = 3 \times 10^{-5} \\
 P_3 = 2 \times 10^{-5}
 \end{array} \right\}$$

$P(a) : P(b) : P(c) = 1 : 3 : 2$

Mention
1 Occam's
2 Princ. of
indiff.
3 Huffman
coding
4 Shannon's
code

3) I can compute a priors. (this has ~~been~~ always been diffy of using Bayes). - I do this by concept of "simplicity" of a decn. (is ~ to Occam's Razor).

4) How $|||||$ seems simpler than $|||||0$ - and has a simpler decn in English. Also $abcabcabc$ ← has simpler decn ("3 - abc's.") vs. $abcabcabz$

5) A more rigorous formulation:

$M(\bar{T}) = \sum T$ (\bar{T} is string, T its decn. with resp. to M).

↑ Universal Machine (not necly a Turing)

a prior of $T \approx 2^{-N(\bar{T})}$

6) Better include other decns. of some \bar{T} .

so $\sum_i 2^{-N(\bar{T}_i)}$

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6) (cont) This wouldn't converge in its own simple ~~APP~~ alone self. We can ~~conv~~ patch it up to make it converge, but instead of making it better — ~~APP~~ consider alternate formulation!

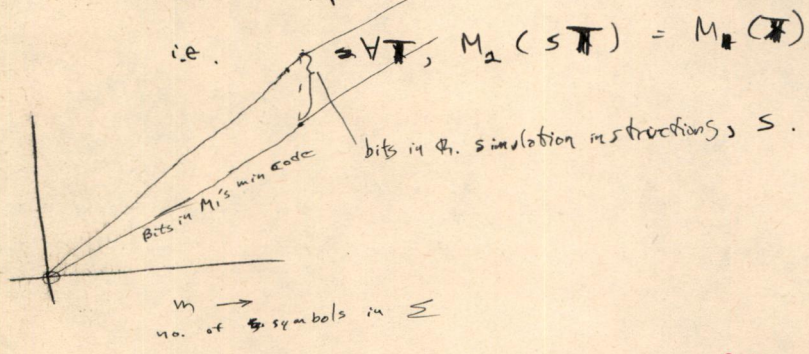
7) Th. Fixed code length method. $R \gg N(\epsilon_{min})$.

$$\frac{N(R)}{N} \quad \frac{N(R, \epsilon)}{N(R)_{conv.}} \quad \left| \quad \lim_{R \rightarrow \infty} \frac{N(R, \epsilon A)}{N(R, \epsilon B)} = \frac{P(A)}{P(B)}$$

Show why $\epsilon_{min} \sim$ same as ϵ .

8) Why 6) is machine indep. First explain about "simulation instructions" i.e.

pp 16, 17 of ICP



9) Th. "All PEMS Method"

pp 27-31 of ICP

$$M_1(D_i \Delta T) = P_i(T)$$

↑
punct.

(Define Normed PEM?)

$$\frac{P_i(T)}{P_i(T)} = \text{probly, if } P_i \text{ is "normed"}$$

$$\leq f(Q_i) P_i(T)$$

~~f(Q_i)~~ f_i = fraction of strings of length R ($R \rightarrow \infty$) that are "Decrs of Q_i ".

10) Some applicas: ~~DATA~~ Bernoulli Seq.
 (b) Codes using deltas (give approx. formulae)
 (c) Arith learning

11) Manton Random Redundant Machine Method.

11)

A Method for Ind. Inf.

1. Some induction probs:

- a) Weather
- b) Horse Racing
- c) Sc "laws"
- d) Trial steps ^{trial sub-goals} in Math proofs
- e) Curve extrapolation.
- f) Chess, checkers (Five areas of induction - finding good persons to optz, etc.)
- h) Info retrieval: Devising new categories, for ~~the~~ already indexed docs.
- i) Stock market

2. Relation to arb. intell. probs.

- a) ~~Human language~~ Patt. Recognition: Letters, ~~grammar~~ speech
- b) Theorem proving: When successive xfms: Set of observational results: what to do next:
 - a) what xfm to use.
 - b) what new xfms or observations to devise.
- c) Simulation of entire human:
 - Model of human: small set of wtd. "goals" ^{plus built in constraints.} Uses entire ~~life string~~ (life strings) of observations to determine P_i results of a contemplated action.
 - (Also uses "built in" info). Mention ^{ancestral data - acquired thru evolution, as alternatively treatable by} \textcircled{a} long corpus (less eff. way)
 - \textcircled{b} short corpus but modified machines

3. Classical Bayesian probability:

- a) We will use probty model in which we extrapolate ^{long strings, containing} all of the info. that we ~~will use~~ will use in induction.
 - In the case of man, this would include evolutionary data in some form.
 - Mention Analogy, Dip. conversion for R.O.W.

$$b) P(a_i|h) = \frac{P(h \hat{a}_i)}{\sum_{j \neq i} P(h \hat{a}_j)}$$

$P(h \hat{a}_j)$ is th. a priori.

give example:

abdbba	$\cdot 2 \times 10^{-5}$	a
abdbbb	$\cdot 1 \times 10^{-5}$	b
abdbbc	$\cdot 3 \times 10^{-5}$	c

Show how its done etc. in .10, 12

4. How to get a priors: \textcircled{a} Simple things more likely (Occam's R.)

\textcircled{b} More numerous causes make more likely (Bayes)

5. How to get a priori's:

a) My method: Use of "Turmac"

Mention \geq tape Turmac, with input ^{code} ~~with~~ tape
 (Fixed string length, R) output " Memory " -

$$b) \textcircled{3} P^*(a, T, M_1) = \lim_{R \rightarrow \infty} \frac{N_{T_2}^R}{N_T^R}$$

$\textcircled{2} N_T^R$

is with resp. to M_1

" th. no. of input strings of length R, that are decms of T.

$\textcircled{1}$

If $M_1(s)$ begins with T, then "s" is a decm of T with resp. to M_1 .

- c) P_{ij} is implementation of
 - ① "Prince of indit"
 - ② Bayes
 - ③ Occam's R. (show that

"short" (crns are more numerous.)

Mention that 2^{-N} shortest is one poss. approx. (imp. for later analysis)

- 6) 2 other ~~similar~~ similar models : a) Sum of all P_{ij} 's
- A ^{normed.} P_{ij} is an ~~op.~~ op. that assigns probs to strings.

$$P'(z, T, M_i) = \sum_j P(P_{ij}, M_i) \cdot P_j(z, T)$$

It can be ~~that~~ that for a certain "goodness" criterion, this model is at least as good as the ~~best~~ best ^{findable} pradi. method.

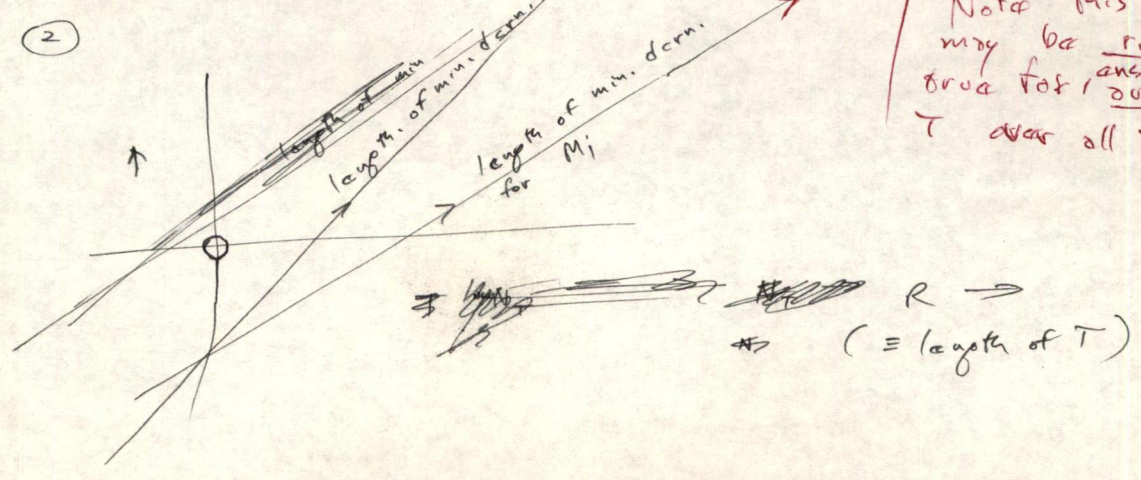
b) 3 tape machine as model of universe. - i.e. To "explain" all things that a man has ever experienced - including his interaction with the ~~world~~ world.

c) The randomly constructed machine for extrapolation. The problem of "is a randomly constructed ^{universal} Turing like"? As a model of an operator (input \rightarrow output)

- 7) Differs with Gau. Theory
- a) Are predictions indep. of what Turmac's are used?

① Idea of "simulation instructions"

$\exists \alpha \forall x, M_1(\alpha \tilde{x}) = M_2(x)$ α is M_1 's "simulation instrns for M_2 ". $\exists \exists \alpha$ for all universal formacs, M_1 , and my machine M_2 .



7) Diffys (cont)

b) ~~Diff~~ Measurefulness of

$$\lim_{R \rightarrow \infty} \frac{N_{T_2}^R}{N_T^R}$$

Ratio May be meaningful - tho. Num. and denom. aren't

It may be possl. e.g. to show lim. exists - i.e.

that $\frac{N_{T_2}^R}{N_T^R}$ is an \uparrow funct. of R , for large enuf ΔR 's. or that the fraction of codes ~~is~~ eventually halting in Time T , $\rightarrow 0$ as $T \rightarrow \infty$ not halting

Difficult philosophical Q. involving meaningfulness even then.

Hvr., approxs. are imp't.

perhaps mention th. epist. "importance Program" corresp. to th. unsolvability of th. "halting prob."

8) Applications: a) Bernoulli seq.

b) Codes using defns.

$$\Delta \text{ arip of string } \approx \underbrace{f_A \cdot f_B}_m \cdot e^{\frac{m f_{AB}}{2} \left(\frac{f_A \cdot f_B}{f_{AB}} - 1 \right)^2}$$

m = no. of syms in original sep. cost of defining $\propto AB$

ref. "savings" in code cost. Note ~~the~~ m factor - so expt. is large, if m is. even if $\left(\frac{f_A \cdot f_B}{f_{AB}} - 1 \right)^2$ is small

This was written as a Fortran computer ppgm. - using a kind of hill-climbing.

c) Grammar discovery for CF PSL. Assignment of arip to grammars. and "Goodness of Fit" to corpus.

How Grammar discovery can be used for MT discy (using special kind of PSL).

Hvr., model is still unsatisfactory, tho it seems to be a bit useful. Model seems reasonable, but doesn't entirely corresp to ordinary CF Grammar. (i.e. corresp. to a "unique pars PSL")

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↓) Active learning. Design of machine that could begin problem
of improving itself.

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Talk: Dec 16, 64 : Marvin's class.
3PM

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Discuss. ind. inf. : Show how it is main problem in various
art. int. probs: E.g. ~~1~~ Learning of any kind; ① Learning char.
recogn. ② Learning to ① Play ~~chess~~ chess ② Play good chess ③ Learning
2 lang. (what this means - is. learning relatn. betw. events in R.W. and
strings of symbols.

Discn. of Bayes' Theorem. - how ^{use} depends on
A priori distribn. of all possl. universes

Discn. of various forms of emul

Discn of th. random operator method - R. problem of
"Randomly constructed" ~~times~~ Times (define random in this case)
Relevance to "random nets".

Applications to stoch. Grammars

Look at some old Notes for this "same" lecture.

New Developments : Work out R. Goul. task

Solving problem ② By Stage.
③ "myself".



6 Recv
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Gu in Marvin's class My 12, 66 : 4-270
at MIT. 4 PM

I. What is inductive inf.? examples:

~~(a) weather coin flipping (how much wt. to use on a priori hypoth?)~~
~~(b) irregular polyhedron. n. nos. on sides~~

- (a) Weather
- (b) Horse racing
- (c) stock Mkt.

(d) ~~symm~~ loaded die
 (e) "symm" die.

$a \leftarrow$ trials w. faces a up
 $b \leftarrow$ trials
 $\frac{a + X a}{b + X b} = a \text{ pri}$

→ g Sci. Laws [my main introdn. - "Sci. Method" - How to get new hypoths. that fit past data, and are likely to extrapolate well.

Charles Fort.] example of hypo that fits all data, but doesn't extrapolate.

→ f **first.** Curve extrapolation. 10 pt fit w. 10 params. ? Just how many

params to use? (compromise betw. ~~not~~ good fit and few pts.

Q. of "how many params" is rigorously meaningless.

$$\sigma_{\text{true}}^2 \approx \frac{\sigma_{\text{observed}}^2}{N - M} = \infty \text{ for } M = N.$$

no. of params.

h) ~~Old~~ Theorem proving:

- 1) what x fun. to try next (small set)
- 2) what subgoals to work toward.
- 3) Genl. problem of tree search.

i) Chess, checkers: takes large tree search to learn.

- 1) best move within (no. constraints)
- 2) " " within constraints.

~~Question 3~~ Break-down of prob. : Play out, then evaluate.

- (A) How to evaluate - (invention of new chars, by combn. of old. wts. to various chars. - optzn. of these wts.)
- (B) which move trees to try (genl. search prob.).

J. Patt. recogn.

1) Examples of letters A, B, C. , then new shape: to categorize.

analogy to curve fitting. Perceptron: typ. till 100% correct

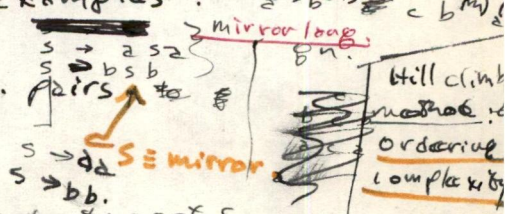
Then what is expected future accuracy: we have express. it

Curve fitting, but none for more genl. patt. recogn.

K: Gu. set of as's to find grammar. (examples: $(n)_b(m)$ $c b(m)$)

Ref's. 1. M.I.T.

- i) Gu. bunch of xitu. pairs to
- (a) to form xitu. rules
- (b) " " grammar rules.
- (c) pr. new source s., to find to opt S.



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- A. ~~U~~ of Texas approach: Make gram. to fit old examples
- B. Russian approach. make simplest mach to xitu. known S's.
- C. Faulk approach via "Distance"

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D. my approach: Grammatical extrapoln. - like corrections.
Use of ~~problem~~ "genlzd. logs" - in which ~~are~~ pairs of ~~an~~ xi/bn. pairs

II Genl. solns.

a) ~~all~~ all induction probs are expressible as series extrapoln.

b) Bayes' idea : a prii.

. . . a b a	a	.01	}
. . . c b a	b	.02	
. . . c b a	c	.03	
		prob of c =	
		.03	
		.01 + .02 + .03 .	

~~c) Take all the strings w. all info one wants to~~
things relevant (use more than needed).

c) Univ. machines: Turing:
Computer w. inf. expandable memory.

input, output, Universality.

$$M_i(x) = M_0(D_i \Delta x)$$

p_s

$\sum_{i=1}^N 2^{-N_i}$

$N = \text{shortest decm.}$

d) ~~is~~ ~~is~~ $\approx \infty$

$$\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} 2^{-N_i}$$

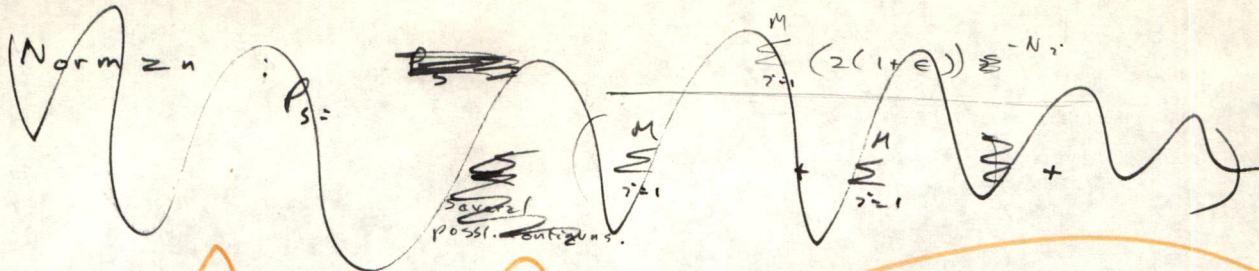
$N_i = \text{length of } i^{\text{th}} \text{ decm. of } s$

$$\alpha = \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} ((1+\epsilon)2)^{-N_i}$$

Also take future continuations into account.

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SN : woops! (eq. 1) user $\frac{1-\epsilon}{n}$ not $\frac{1-\epsilon}{2}$!

e) All probby methods:

① $\sum w_i p_i$

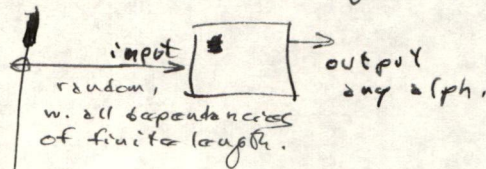
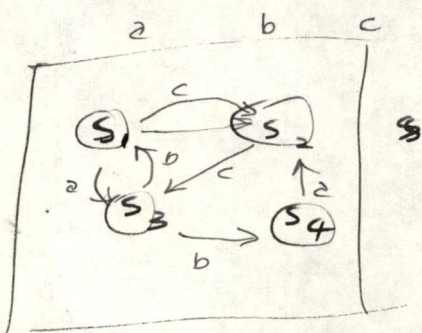
② $w_i = p_i \cdot \phi_i^p$

NO! : Binary input alphabet.

$\phi_i^p = \frac{1}{n} p_i(2^n)$

③ is at least as "good" as any other method.

f) Model of universe: E.G. finite state "model" of statistical strings,



g) Fixed string method, to get a prep of S.

put in all strings of length 100

take out all strings ($< 10^6$) = N

M strings start w. S.

probby = $\frac{M}{N}$

h) All + very probby equiv.

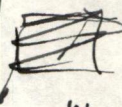
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h) Does probty vary w. nature of Univ. Machine?

SN

Use = probable string model (of universe),
to see if ~~my~~ how my model treats it —
since this model clearly has a diffrat "physics"
than my model.

SN₂



Perhaps use "all pairs" model ~~to~~ to deal
w. "indip. of format" problem.

Idea of Unifausality:

M_1, M_2

~~PP~~ P_1^i from M_1, P_2^i from M_2 .

~~idea of "structured method"~~

$$2^{N_1 + N} = 2^{N_1} \cdot 2^N$$

I took $\sim \frac{1}{2}$ hr. for PP 2, 3, 4: Complaint was that
I didn't show just how my own work was useful in solving the
probs. of Paper 1.

T. utility of a general ind. inf. theory: Simon Newell, tried for
4 yrs. to get a device to learn new hours for GPS, by dividing
a suitable lang., etc. with Cmi, I think I would know
how to go about this much more effectively.