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Decision Rule Approach to Multiple Criteria Decision Aiding/Making

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Plan

- The challenge of Decision Aiding
- Syntax of decision rules
- Rough Set concept and Dominance-based Rough Set Approach (DRSA)
- Decision rule approach to multiple criteria classification
- Attractiveness measures of decision rules
- Variable-consistency and stochastic DRSA
- Decision rule approach to multiple criteria choice and ranking
- Decision rule approach to decision under risk & uncertainty
- Decision rule approach to interactive multiobjective optimization
- Decision rule approach to evolutionary multiobjective optimization
- Application of monotonic rules to non-ordinal classification
- Examples of applications of DRSA
- Conclusions & software demo
- Additional material:
 - Algebra and topology for DRSA
 - DRSA as a way of handling Fuzzy-Rough Hybridization

The challenge of Decision Aiding

- Decision Aiding aims at giving the Decision Maker (DM) a **recommendation** concerning a set of *objects* A evaluated on multiple *dimensions*
 - *objects* = alternatives, options, actions, solutions,...
 - *dimensions* = voters, criteria, probabilistic gains/losses, attributes,...
- **The only objective information** stemming from the statement of a decision problem is the **dominance relation** in set A (partial weak order)
- **The challenge:** aggregation of evaluations on multiple dimensions

Enriching dominance relation – preference modeling

- One can „enrich“ the dominance relation, using **preference information** elicited by the DM
- Preference information is an input to **learn/build a preference model** that **aggregates the vector evaluations** of objects
- The preference model induces a **preference relation** in set A , **richer than the dominance relation**
- A proper **exploitation** of the preference relation in A leads to a recommendation in terms of:
 - **Ordinal classification** (or sorting, to pre-defined & ordered classes)
 - **Ranking** (ordering of alternatives from the best to the worst)
 - **Choice** (or multiobjective optimization; search of the best solution)

Indirect elicitation of preference information by the DM

- Examples of decisions concern some objects relatively well known to the DM, i.e. reference objects :
 - DATA {
 - pairwise comparisons of objects
 - assignment of objects to classes
 - comparisons of pairs of objects wrt intensity of preference
- Indirect elicitation is concordant with:
 - „Posterior rationality” principle by John March (1978): emphasizes the discovery of intentions as an interpretation of actions, rather than as *a priori* position
 - AI and Machine Learning : „Learning from examples”
 - OR : „Analytics - the scientific process of transforming data into insight for making better decisions”

Aggregation of multiple criteria evaluations

- Three families of **preference modelling (aggregation) methods**:
 - **Multiple Attribute Utility Theory (MAUT)** using a value function,
e.g. $U(a) = \sum_{i=1}^n k_i g_i(a)$, $U(a) = \sum_{i=1}^n u_i[g_i(a)]$, Choquet/Sugeno integral
 - **Outranking methods** using an outranking relation S
 $a S b =$ “ a is at least as good as b ”
 - **Decision rule approach** using a set of „*if...*, *then...*” decision rules
- Decision rule model is the most general of all three

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Syntax of decision rules

ordinal classification

- if $x_{q1} \succeq_{q1} r_{q1}$ and $x_{q2} \succeq_{q2} r_{q2}$ and ... $x_{qp} \succeq_{qp} r_{qp}$, then $x \rightarrow$ class t or better
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choice ranking cardinal criteria

- if $(x \succ_{q1}^{\geq h(q1)} y)$ and $(x \succ_{q2}^{\geq h(q2)} y)$ and ... $(x \succ_{qp}^{\geq h(qp)} y)$, then xSy
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choice ranking ordinal criteria

- if $x_{g1} \succeq_{g1} r_{q1}$ & $y_{g1} \preceq_{g1} r'_{q1}$ & ... $x_{gp} \succeq_{gp} r_{gp}$ & $y_{gp} \preceq_{gp} r'_{gp}$, then xSy
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pair of objects x, y evaluated on criterion g_1

Indirect preference information – example of technical diagnostics

- 176 buses (objects)
- 8 symptoms (attributes)
- Decision = technical state:
 - 3** – good state (in use)
 - 2** – minor repair
 - 1** – major repair (out of use)
- Aggregation = finding relationships between symptoms & technical state
- The model explains expert's decisions and supports diagnosis of new buses

Examples:

	MaxSpeed	ComprPressure	Blacking	Torque	SummerCons	WinterCons	OilCons	HorsePower	State
1.	90	2	38	481	21	26	0	145	3
2.	76	2	70	420	22	25	2	110	1
3.	63	1	82	400	22	24	3	101	1
4.	90	2	49	477	21	25	1	138	3
5.	85	2	52	460	21	25	1	130	2
6.	72	2	73	425	23	27	2	112	1
7.	88	2	50	480	21	24	1	140	3
8.	87	2	56	465	22	27	1	135	3
9.	90	2	16	486	26	27	0	150	3
10.	60	1	95	400	23	24	4	96	1
11.	80	2	60	451	21	26	1	125	1
12.	78	2	63	448	21	26	1	120	2
13.	90	2	26	482	22	24	0	148	3
14.	62	1	93	400	22	28	3	100	1
15.	82	2	54	461	22	26	1	132	2
16.	65	2	67	402	22	23	2	103	1
17.	90	2	51	468	22	26	1	138	3
18.	90	2	15	488	20	23	0	150	3
19.	76	2	65	428	27	33	2	116	1
20.	85	2	50	454	21	26	1	129	2
21.	85	2	58	450	22	25	1	126	2
22.	88	2	48	458	22	25	1	130	3
23.	60	1	90	400	24	28	4	95	1
24.	64	2	71	420	23	25	2	105	1
25.	75	2	64	432	22	25	1	114	2
26.	74	2	64	420	21	25	1	110	2
27.	68	2	70	400	22	26	2	100	1

Attributes: 9 of 10

Examples: 76

Decision: State

Missing Values: No

Indirect preference information – „Thierry’s choice”

(data from [Bouyssou et al. 2006])

- reference actions ranked by the DM: $11 \succ 3 \succ 13 \succ 9 \succ 14$

Pairwise
Comparison
Table (PCT):

	obj1	obj2	diff_price	diff_accel	diff_pick_up	diff_brakes	diff_road_h	relation
1.	11	11	0	0	0	0	0	S
2.	11	3	564	-0,7	-0,1	-0,33	0,25	S
3.	11	13	318	-1,9	-2,1	0,67	1,5	S
4.	11	9	-2263	-1,1	0,1	0,33	1	S
5.	11	14	-3797	-0,6	-1,9	0,33	0,5	S
6.	3	11	-564	0,7	0,1	0,33	-0,25	Sc
7.	3	3	0	0	0	0	0	S
8.	3	13	-246	-1,2	-2	1	1,25	S
9.	3	9	-2827	-0,4	0,2	0,66	0,75	S
10.	3	14	-4361	0,1	-1,8	0,66	0,25	S
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13.	13	13	0	0	0	0	0	S
14.	13	9	-2581	0,8	2,2	-0,34	-0,5	S
15.	13	14	-4115	1,3	0,2	-0,34	-1	S
16.	9	11	2263	1,1	-0,1	-0,33	-1	Sc
17.	9	3	2827	0,4	-0,2	-0,66	-0,75	Sc
18.	9	13	2581	-0,8	-2,2	0,34	0,5	Sc
19.	9	9	0	0	0	0	0	S
20.	9	14	-1534	0,5	-2	0	-0,5	S
21.	14	11	3797	0,6	1,9	-0,33	-0,5	Sc
22.	14	3	4361	-0,1	1,8	-0,66	-0,25	Sc
23.	14	13	4115	-1,3	-0,2	0,34	1	Sc
24.	14	9	1534	-0,5	2	0	0,5	Sc
25.	14	14	0	0	0	0	0	S

$S = \succ$
 $Sc = \text{not } \succ$

The model
explains DM’s
preferences
& supports
comparison
of new cars

Representation of preferences

- Scoring function: $U(a) = \sum_{i=1}^n k_i g_i(a)$ or $U(a) = \sum_{i=1}^n u_i [g_i(a)]$

like in *MAUT*, *Discriminant Analysis*, *Logistic Regression* or *Perceptron*,

e.g. $U(a) = 0.21 \times g_{\text{Speed}}(a) + 0.03 \times g_{\text{Compr}}(a) + \dots + 0.18 \times g_{\text{Power}}(a) = 0.45$

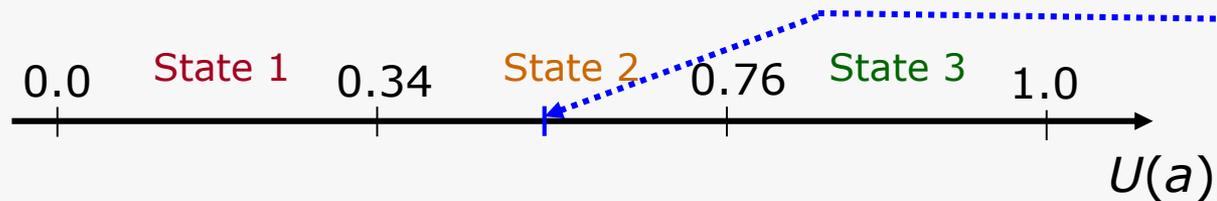


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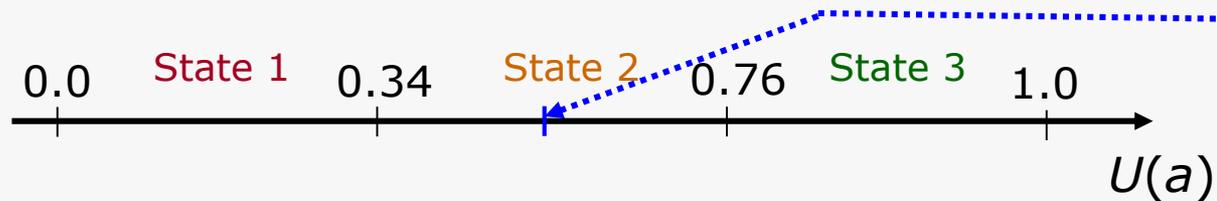


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- Decision rules or trees,

like in *Artificial Intelligence*, *Data Mining* or *Learning from Examples*,

e.g. *if* OilCons ≤ 1 & WinterGasCons ≤ 25 , *then* State $\succeq 2$

if MaxSpeed ≤ 85 & WinterGasCons ≥ 25 , *then* State $\preceq 2$

- Natural interpretability and great ability of representation

Dataset with decision examples concerning ordinal classification

Student	Mathematics	Physics	Literature	Philosophy	Overall_Eval.
S1	good	medium	bad	medium	bad
S2	medium	medium	bad	bad	medium
S3	medium	medium	medium	bad	medium
S4	good	good	medium	medium	medium
S5	good	good	medium	medium	good
S6	good	medium	good	good	good
S7	good	good	good	medium	good
S8	bad	bad	bad	bad	bad
S9	bad	bad	medium	bad	bad
S10	good	medium	medium	bad	medium

Inconsistent decision examples concerning ordinal classification

Student	Mathematics	Physics	Literature	Philosophy	Overall_Eval.
S1	good ↓	medium ↔	bad ↔	medium ↓	bad ↑
S2	medium ↓	medium ↔	bad ↔	bad ↓	medium ↑
S3	medium	medium	medium	bad	medium
S4	good ↔	good ↔	medium ↔	medium ↔	medium ↑
S5	good ↔	good ↔	medium ↔	medium ↔	good ↑
S6	good	medium	good	good	good
S7	good	good	good	medium	good
S8	bad	bad	bad	bad	bad
S9	bad	bad	medium	bad	bad
S10	good	medium	medium	bad	medium



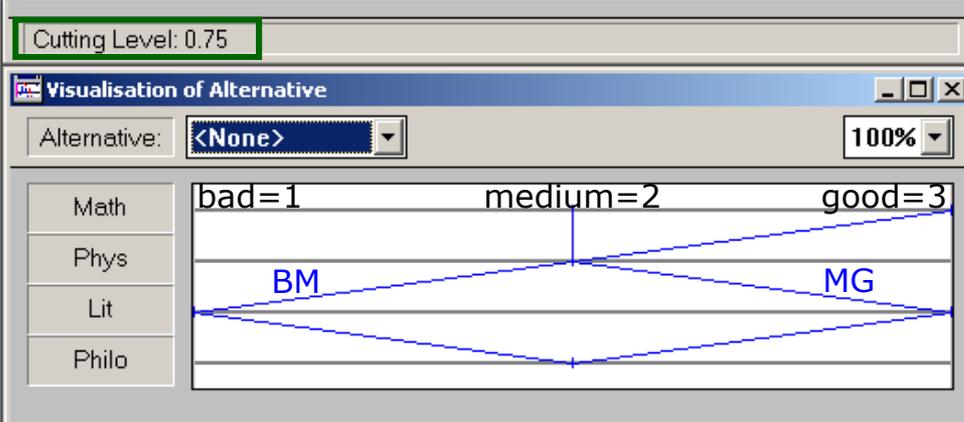
outranking relation

	BM	MG
S1	1.000 0.650	0.000 1.000
S2	0.800 1.000	0.000 1.000
S3	0.800 0.850	0.300 1.000
S4	1.000 0.200	0.850 0.700
S5	1.000 0.200	0.850 0.700
S6	1.000 0.000	1.000 0.800
S7	1.000 0.000	1.000 0.700
S8	0.150 1.000	0.000 1.000
S9	0.150 0.850	0.000 1.000
S10	0.800 0.500	0.650 1.000

Alternative Name	Pessimistic Assignment	Optimistic Assignment
S1	medium	medium
S2	medium	medium
S3	medium	medium
S4	good	good
S5	good	good
S6	good	good
S7	good	good
S8	bad	bad
S9	bad	bad
S10	medium	medium

Class „good” = {S4, S5, S6, S7}
 Class „medium” = {S1, S2, S3, S10}
 Class „bad” = {S8, S9}

	BM	MG
S1	>	<
S2	I	<
S3	I	<
S4	>	>
S5	>	>
S6	>	I
S7	>	>
S8	<	<
S9	<	<
S10	>	<



Weights:

Math=0.35
 Phys=0.3
 Lit=0.15
 Philo=0.25

Profiles:

Bad-Medium

BM:
 Math=medium
 Phys=medium
 Lit=bad
 Philo=medium

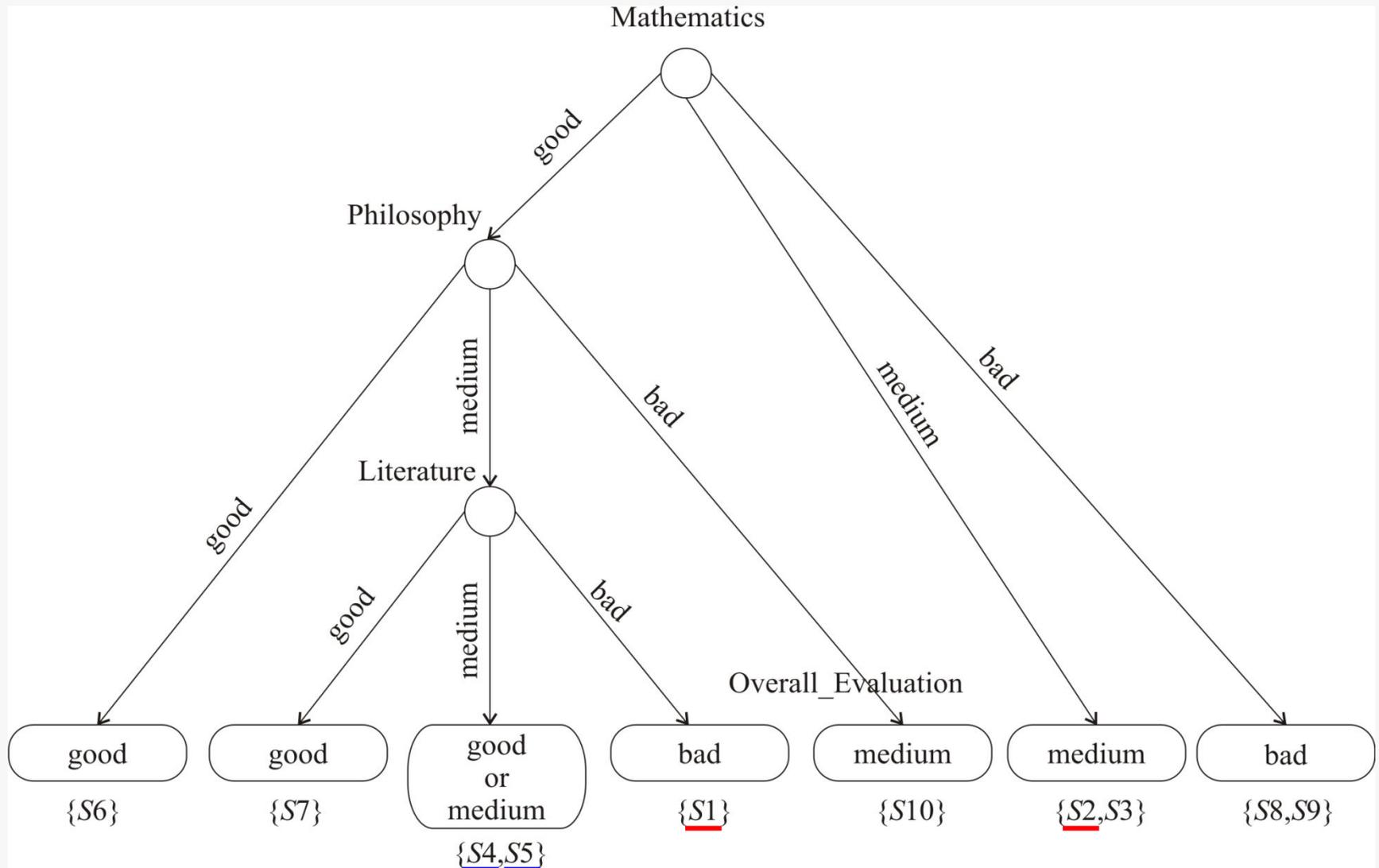
Medium-Good

MG:
 Math=good
 Phys=medium
 Lit=good
 Philo=medium

Thresholds:

Indifference=0
 Preference=1
 Veto=2

Decision tree (C4.5)



Decision rules (dominance relation in premise and conclusion)

- If Lit \succeq good, then student \succeq good {S6,S7}
- If Phys \succeq medium & Lit \succeq medium, then student \succeq medium {S3,S4,S5,S6,S7,S10}
- If Phys \succeq good & Lit \preceq medium, then student is medium or good {S4,S5}
- If Math \succeq medium & Lit \preceq bad, then student is bad or medium {S1,S2}
- If Lit \preceq bad, then student \preceq medium {S1,S2,S8}
- If Philo \preceq bad, then student \preceq medium {S2,S3,S8,S9,S10}
- If Phys \preceq bad, then student \preceq bad {S8,S9}

- „People make decisions by searching for **rules** that provide good justification of their choices” (Slovic, 1975)

Why should we seek for rules rather than for a real-valued function ?

- Description of complex phenomena by recursive estimation techniques applied on historical data (*Int. J. Environment and Pollution*, vol.12, no.2/3, 1999)
- The dependence of **the size of the mouth of a river** in month k , represented by the relative tidal energy (RTE_k), from RTE_{k-1} , the river flow (F_{k-1}), the onshore wind (W_{k-1}) and the crude monthly count of storm events (S_k) (Elford et al. 1999; Murray Mouth, Australia):

$$RTE_k = A_1 RTE_{k-1} + A_2 \frac{(F_{k-1} - 200)^{2.4}}{8RTE_{k-1} + 1} + A_3 \frac{W_{k-1}}{8RTE_{k-1} + 1} + A_4 S_k + \varepsilon_k$$

where **the exponent 2.4** was tuned by „trial and error“, **coefficients A_1, A_2, A_3, A_4** were computed using a recursive least squares (RLS), and ε_k is the model error

Why should we seek for rules rather than for a real-valued function ?

- Description of complex phenomena by recursive estimation techniques applied on historical data (*Int. J. Environment and Pollution*, vol.12, no.2/3, 1999)
- The **impact of urban stormwater on the quality of the receiving water** (Rossi, Słowiński, Susmaga 1999; Lausanne and Genève).
- Example of rule induced from empirical observation of some sites:

If *the site is of type 2 (residential)*, **and** *total rainfall is up to 8 mm*,
and *max intensity of rain is between 2.7 and 11.2 mm/h*,
then *total mass of suspended solids is < 2.2 kg/ha*

- The rule is more **expressive** and involves **heterogeneous data**:
nominal, qualitative and quantitative

Rough set concept

Inconsistencies in data – Rough Set Theory



- Zdzisław Pawlak (1926–2006)

Student	Mathematics	Physics	Literature	Overall class
S1	good	medium	bad	bad
S2	medium	medium	bad	medium
S3	medium	good	medium	medium
S4	medium	good	medium	good
S5	good	medium	good	good
S6	good	good	good	good
S7	bad	bad	medium	bad
S8	bad	bad	medium	bad

Inconsistencies in data – Rough Set Theory

- The **granules** of indiscernible objects are used to **approximate classes**

Student	Mathematics (M)	Physics (Ph)	Literature (L)	Overall class
S1	good	medium	bad	bad
S2	medium	medium	bad	medium
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S6	good	good	good	good
S7	bad	bad	medium	bad
S8	bad	bad	medium	bad

Inconsistencies in data – Rough Set Theory

- Lower approximation of class „good”

Student	Mathematics (M)	Physics (Ph)	Literature (L)	Overall class
S1	good	medium	bad	bad
S2	medium	medium	bad	medium
S3	medium	good	medium	medium
S4	medium	good	medium	good
S5	good	medium	good	good
S6	good	good	good	good
S7	bad	bad	medium	bad
S8	bad	bad	medium	bad

Lower Approximation

Inconsistencies in data – Rough Set Theory

- Lower and upper approximation of class „good”

Student	Mathematics (M)	Physics (Ph)	Literature (L)	Overall class
S1	good	medium	bad	bad
S2	medium	medium	bad	medium
S3	medium	good	medium	medium
S4	medium	good	medium	good
S5	good	medium	good	good
S6	good	good	good	good
S7	bad	bad	medium	bad
S8	bad	bad	medium	bad

Upper Approximation

Lower Approximation

IRSA – rules induced from rough approximations

- Certain decision rule supported by objects from lower approximation of class „good” (discriminant rule)

If Lit=good, then Student is certainly good
{S5,S6}

- Possible decision rule supported by objects from upper approximation of class „good” (partly discriminant rule)

If Phys=good, then Student is possibly good
{S3,S4,S6}

- Approximate decision rule supported by objects from the boundary of class „medium” or „good”

If Phys=good & Lit=medium, then Student is medium or good
{S3,S4}

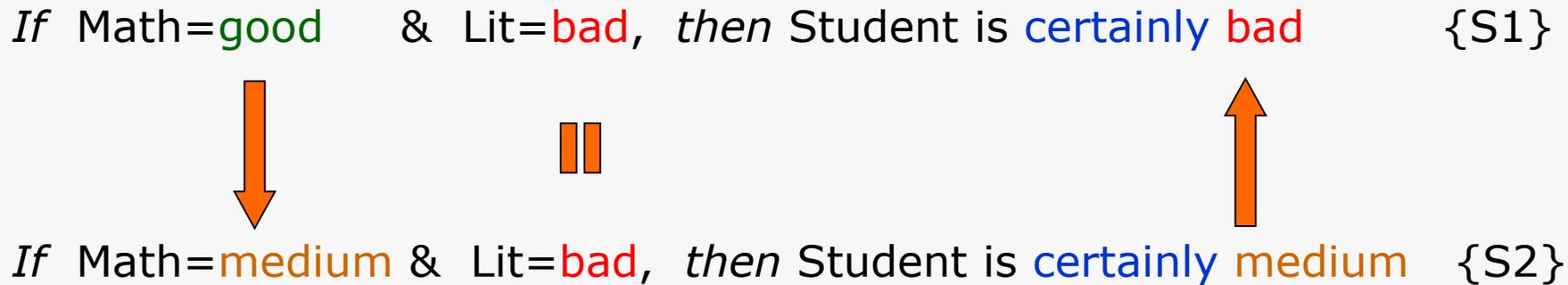
What is missing to Indiscernibility-based Rough Set Approach?

- **Classical rough set approach** does not detect inconsistency w.r.t. **dominance** (Pareto principle) – a basic principle in decision making

Student	Mathematics (M)	Physics (Ph)	Literature (L)	Overall class
S1	good	medium	bad	bad
S2	medium	medium	bad	medium
S3	medium	good	medium	medium
S4	medium	good	medium	good
S5	good	medium	good	good
S6	good	good	good	good
S7	bad	bad	bad	bad
S8	bad	bad	medium	bad

Rules induced from indiscernibility-based rough approximations

- Certain decision rules based on indiscernibility are inconsistent with respect to the **dominance principle** (monotonicity constraints):



Dominance-based Rough Set Approach: DRSA

Classical Rough Set Theory vs. Dominance-based Rough Set Theory

Classical Rough Set Theory



Indiscernibility principle

If x and y are **indiscernible** with respect to all relevant **attributes**,
then x should **classified to the same class** as y

Dominance-based Rough Set Theory



Dominance principle (monotonicity constraints)

If x is **at least as good** as y with respect to all relevant **criteria**,
then x should be **classified at least as good** as y

S.Greco, B.Matarazzo, R.Słowiński: Rough sets theory for multicriteria decision analysis.
European J. of Operational Research, 129 (2001) no.1, 1-47

Dominance principle as monotonicity constraint principle

- **Dominance-based Rough Set Approach (DRSA)** permits representation and analysis of all phenomena involving monotonicity relationship between specific measures or perceptions, e.g.

*„the more a **tomato is red**, and the more **it is soft**, the more it is **ripe**”*

*„the **older** the car, the more likely its **breakdown**” **

or

*„the more **similar** are the **causes**,
the more **similar** are the **effects** one can expect”***

*S.Greco, M.Inuiguchi, R.Słowiński: Fuzzy rough sets and multiple-premise gradual decision rules. *International Journal of Approximate Reasoning*, 41 (2005) 179-211

**S.Greco, B.Matarazzo, R.Słowiński: Case-based reasoning using gradual rules induced from dominance-based rough approximations. [In]: G.Wang et al. (eds.), *Rough Sets and Knowledge Technology (RSKT 2008)*. LNCS 5009, Springer, Berlin, 2008, pp. 268-275.

Monotonicity and induction

- *„The procedure of induction consists in accepting as true the simplest law that can be reconciled with our experiences”*
(L. Wittgenstein, Tractatus Logico-Philosophicus, 6.363)
- This simplest law is just monotonicity and, therefore, inductive discovery of rules can be seen as a specific way of dealing with monotonicity
- Dominance-based Rough Set concept permits data structuring wrt possible violation of dominance (lower appx, upper appx, boundary) prior to rule induction

R. Słowiński, S. Greco, B. Matarazzo: *Rough Sets in Decision Making*. [In]: R.A. Meyer (ed.): *Encyclopedia of Complexity and Systems Science*, Springer, NY, 2009, pp. 7753-7786.

Decision rule approach to multiple criteria classification

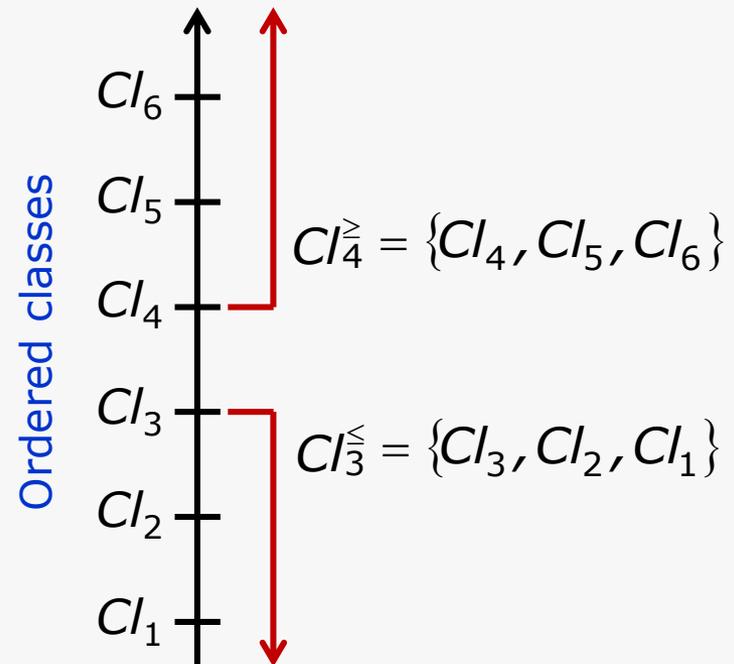
Dominance-based Rough Set Approach (DRSA)

- In order to handle **monotonic dependency** between conditions and decision (class assignment):

$Cl_t^{\geq} = \bigcup_{s \geq t} Cl_s$ – **upward union** of classes, $t=2, \dots, m$ („at least” class Cl_t)

$Cl_t^{\leq} = \bigcup_{s \leq t} Cl_s$ – **downward union** of classes, $t=1, \dots, m-1$ („at most” class Cl_t)

- Cl_t^{\geq} and Cl_t^{\leq} are positive and negative **dominance cones** in decision space reduced to single dimension



Dominance-based Rough Set Approach (DRSA)

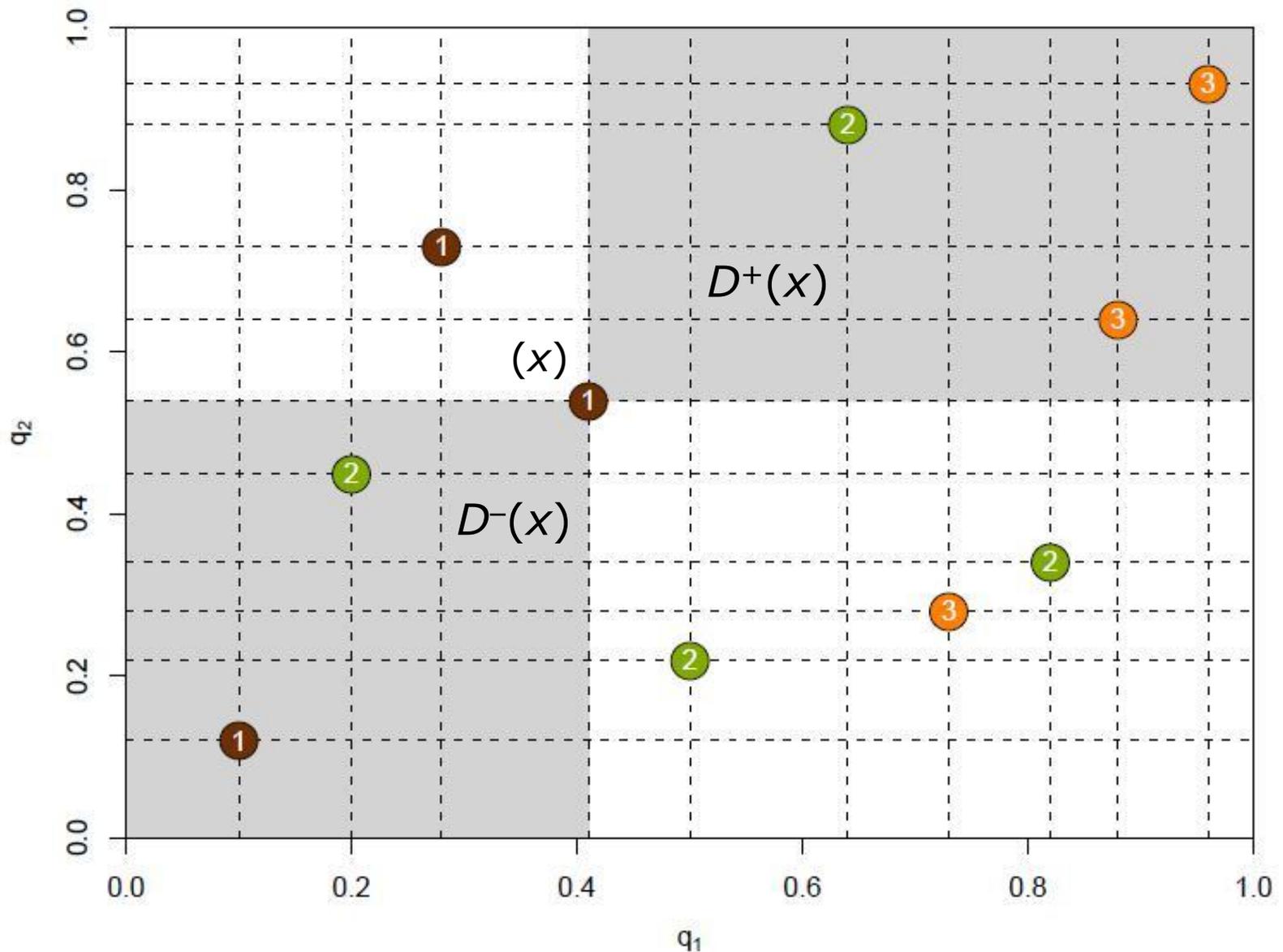
- D_p – **dominance relation** (partial preorder) in condition space, $P \subseteq C$
- **Granules of knowledge are dominance cones** in condition space

$$D_p^+(x) = \{y \in U : y D_p x\} : \textit{P-dominating set (positive cone)}$$

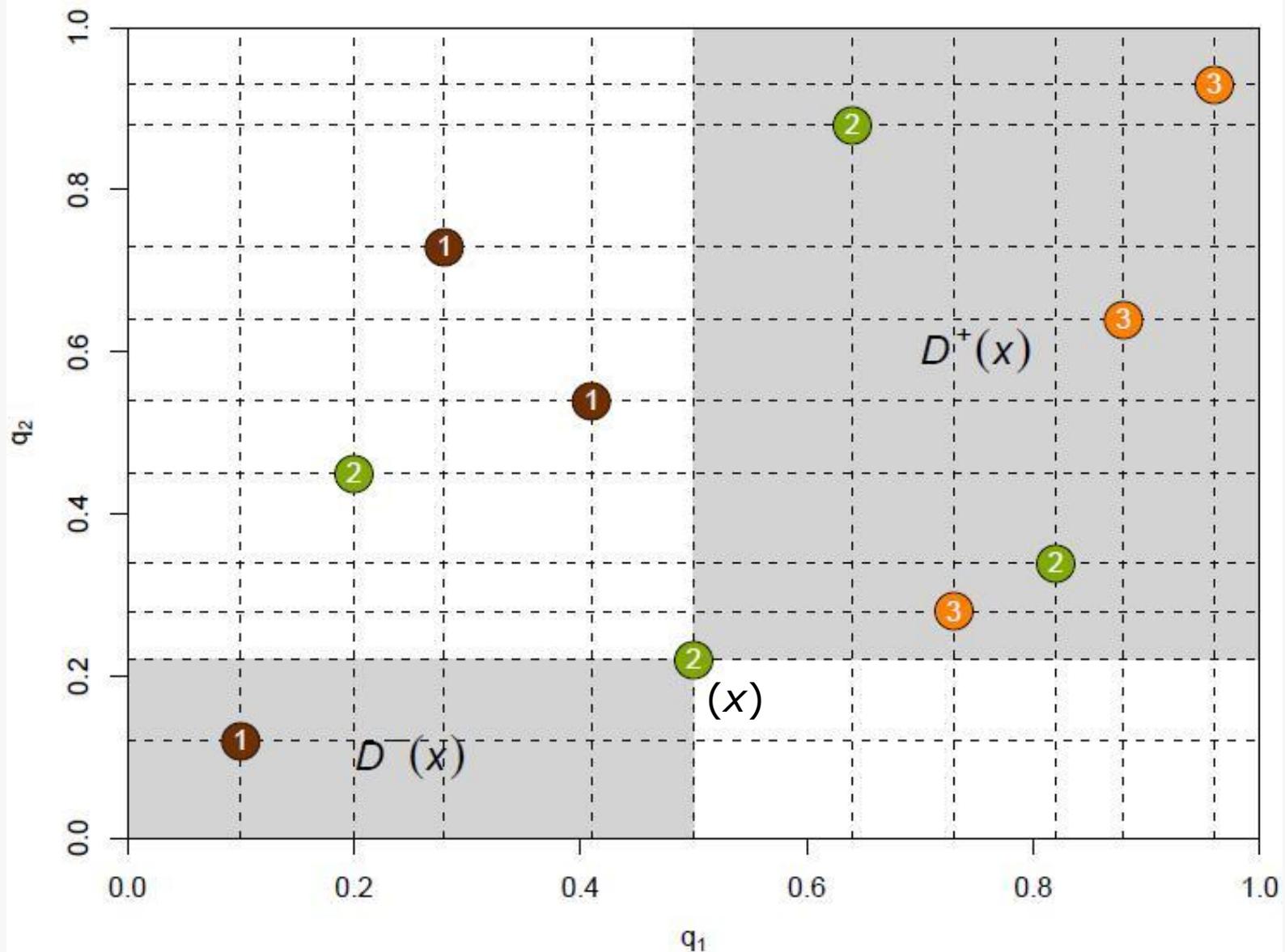
$$D_p^-(x) = \{y \in U : x D_p y\} : \textit{P-dominated set (negative cone)}$$

- Classification patterns to be discovered are functions representing granules Cl_t^{\geq}, Cl_t^{\leq} , by granules $D_p^+(x), D_p^-(x)$

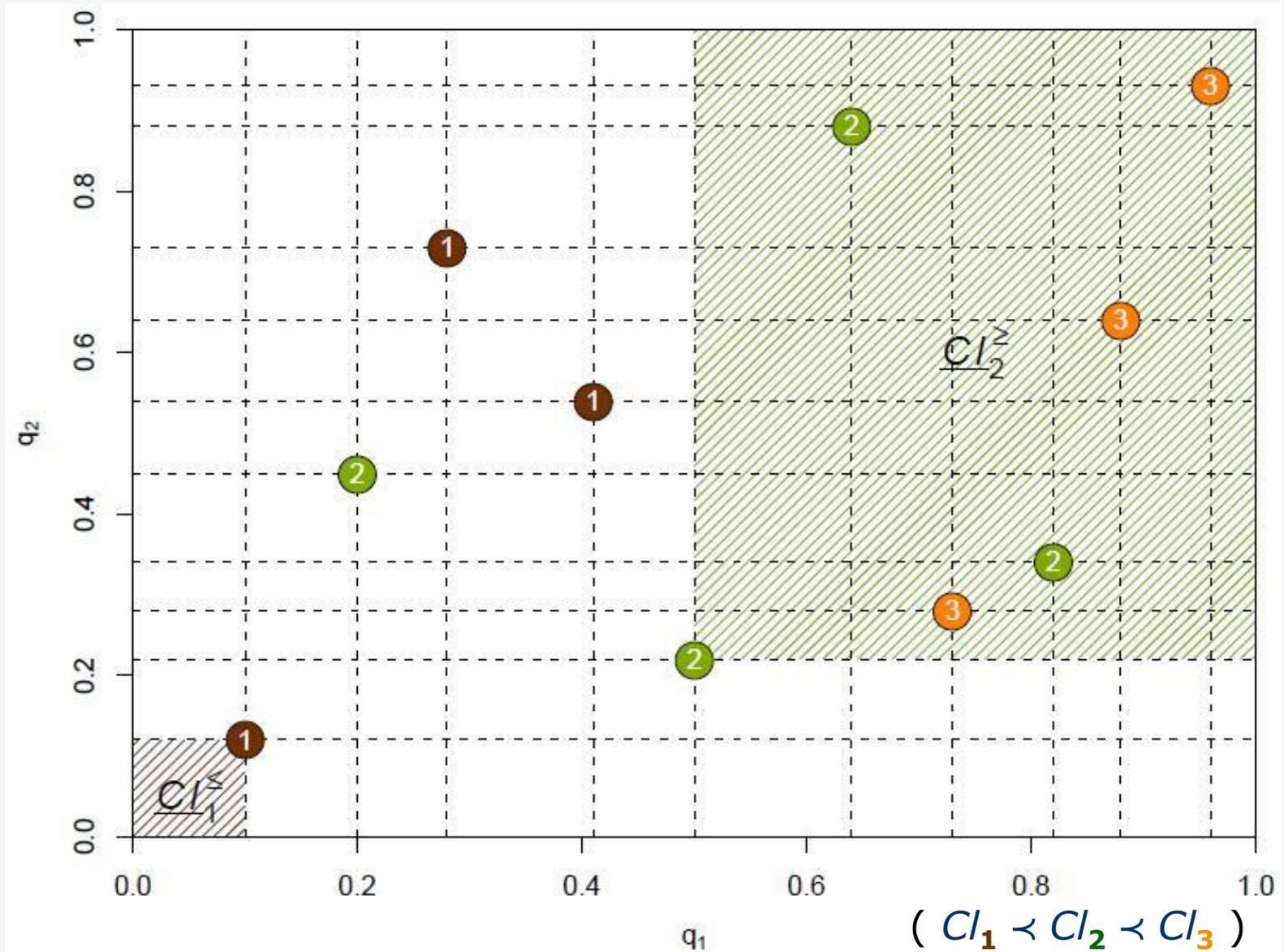
Dominance cones wrt object x – example ($Cl_1 \prec Cl_2 \prec Cl_3$)



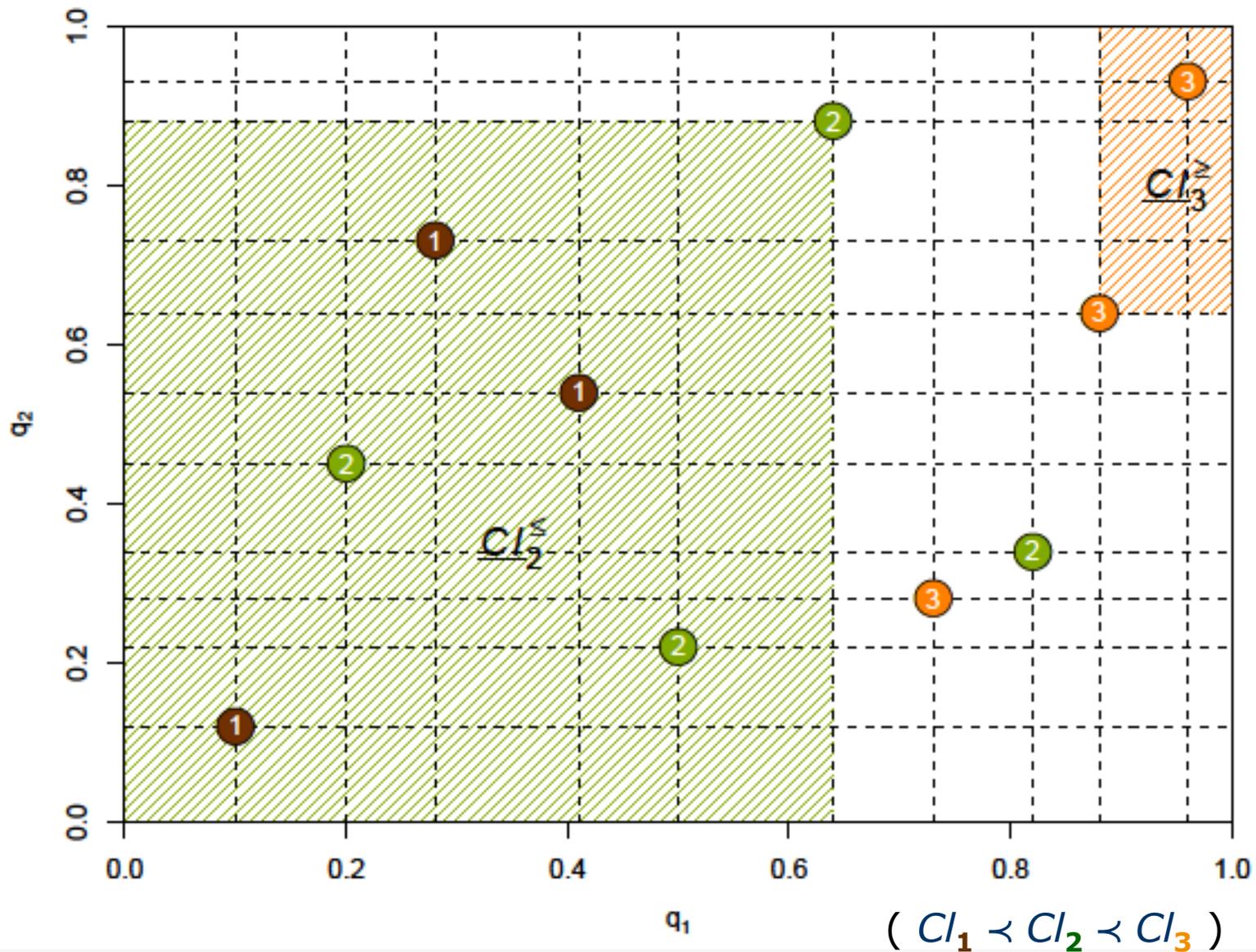
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Lower approximations of „at most Cl_1 ” and „at least Cl_2 ”



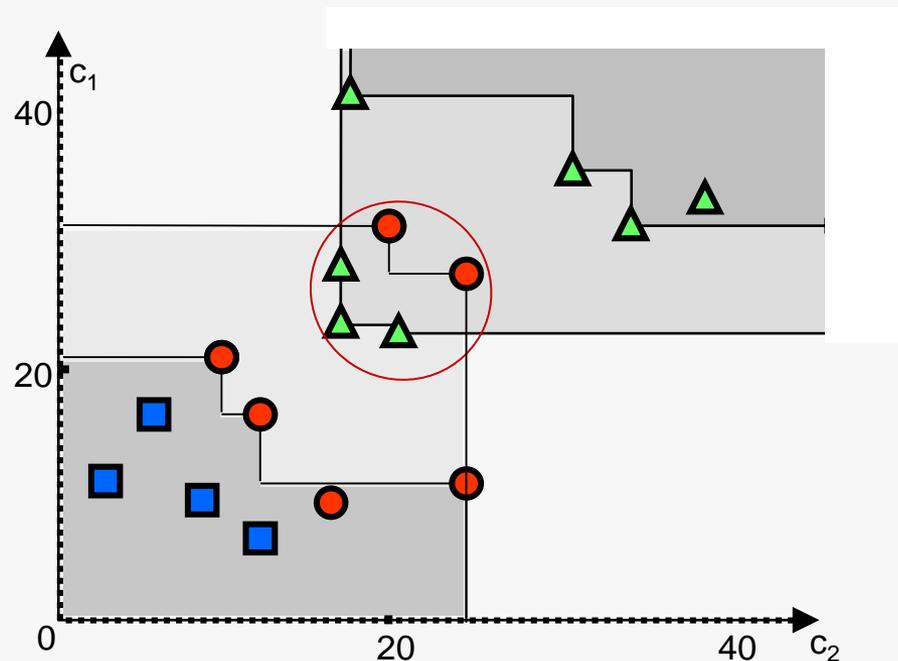
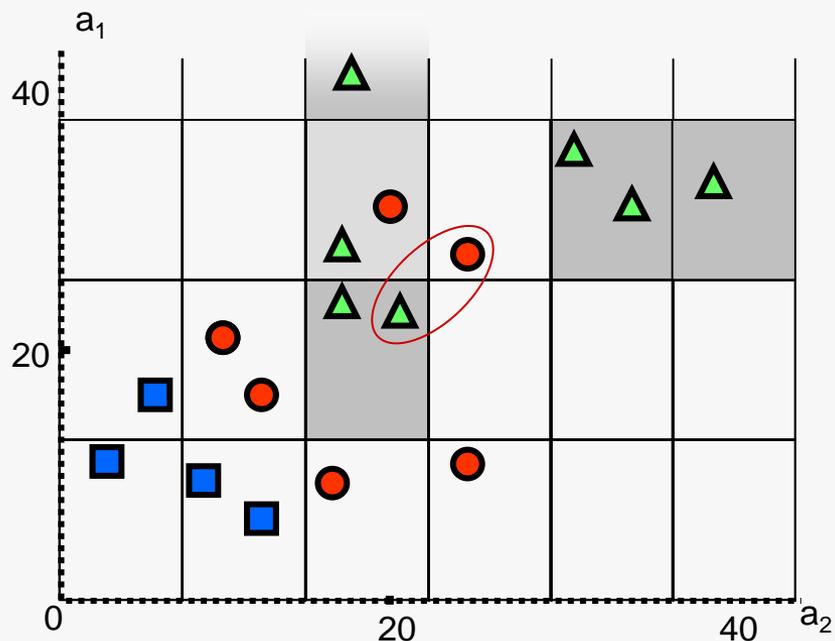
Lower approximations of „at most Cl_2 ” and „at least Cl_3 ”



Dominance-based Rough Set Approach vs. Classical RSA

Comparison of CRSA and DRSA

Classes: \blacktriangle \succ \bullet \succ \blacksquare



$$\underline{P}(X) = \{x \in U : I_p(x) \subseteq X\}$$

$$\overline{P}(X) = \bigcup_{x \in X} I_p(x)$$

$$\underline{P}(CI_t^{\geq}) = \{x \in U : D_P^+(x) \subseteq CI_t^{\geq}\}$$

$$\overline{P}(CI_t^{\geq}) = \bigcup_{x \in CI_t^{\geq}} D_P^+(x)$$

DRSA for multiple criteria classification

- Example of preference information about students:

Student	Mathematics (M)	Physics (Ph)	Literature (L)	Overall class
S1	good	medium	bad	bad
S2	medium	medium	bad	medium
S3	medium	medium	medium	medium
S4	good	good	medium	good
S5	good	medium	good	good
S6	good	good	good	good
S7	bad	bad	bad	bad
S8	bad	bad	medium	bad

- Examples of classification of **S1** and **S2** are inconsistent
Quality of approximation by $\{\mathbf{M}, \mathbf{Ph}, \mathbf{L}\} = 6/8 = 0.75$

DRSA for multiple criteria classification

- If we eliminate **Literature**, then more inconsistencies appear:

Student	Mathematics (M)	Physics (Ph)	Literature (L)	Overall class
S1	good	medium	bad	bad
S2	medium	medium	bad	medium
S3	medium	medium	medium	medium
S4	good	good	medium	good
S5	good	medium	good	good
S6	good	good	good	good
S7	bad	bad	bad	bad
S8	bad	bad	medium	bad

- Examples of classification of **S1**, **S2**, **S3** and **S5** are inconsistent

DRSA for multiple criteria classification

- Elimination of **Mathematics** does not increase inconsistencies:

Student	Mathematics (M)	Physics (Ph)	Literature (L)	Overall class
S1	good	medium	bad	bad
S2	medium	medium	bad	medium
S3	medium	medium	medium	medium
S4	good	good	medium	good
S5	good	medium	good	good
S6	good	good	good	good
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- Subset of criteria $\{\text{Ph}, \text{L}\}$ is a **reduct** of $\{\text{M}, \text{Ph}, \text{L}\}$

DRSA for multiple criteria classification

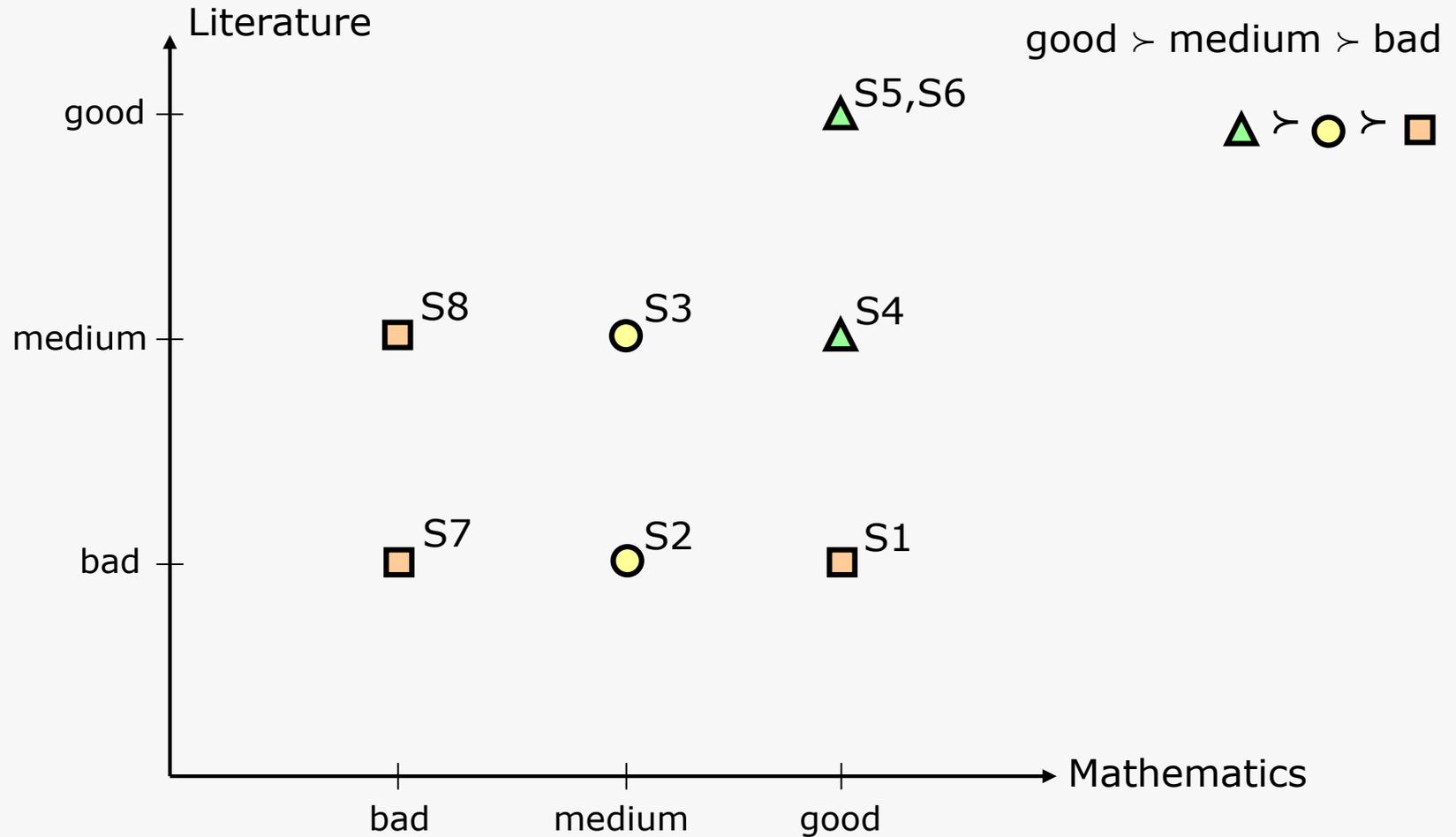
- Elimination of **Physics** also does not increase inconsistencies:

Student	Mathematics (M)	Physics (Ph)	Literature (L)	Overall class
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S2	medium	medium	bad	medium
S3	medium	medium	medium	medium
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S5	good	medium	good	good
S6	good	good	good	good
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- Subset of criteria $\{M,L\}$ is a **reduct** of $\{M,Ph,L\}$
- Intersection of reducts $\{M,L\}$ and $\{Ph,L\}$ gives the **core** $\{L\}$

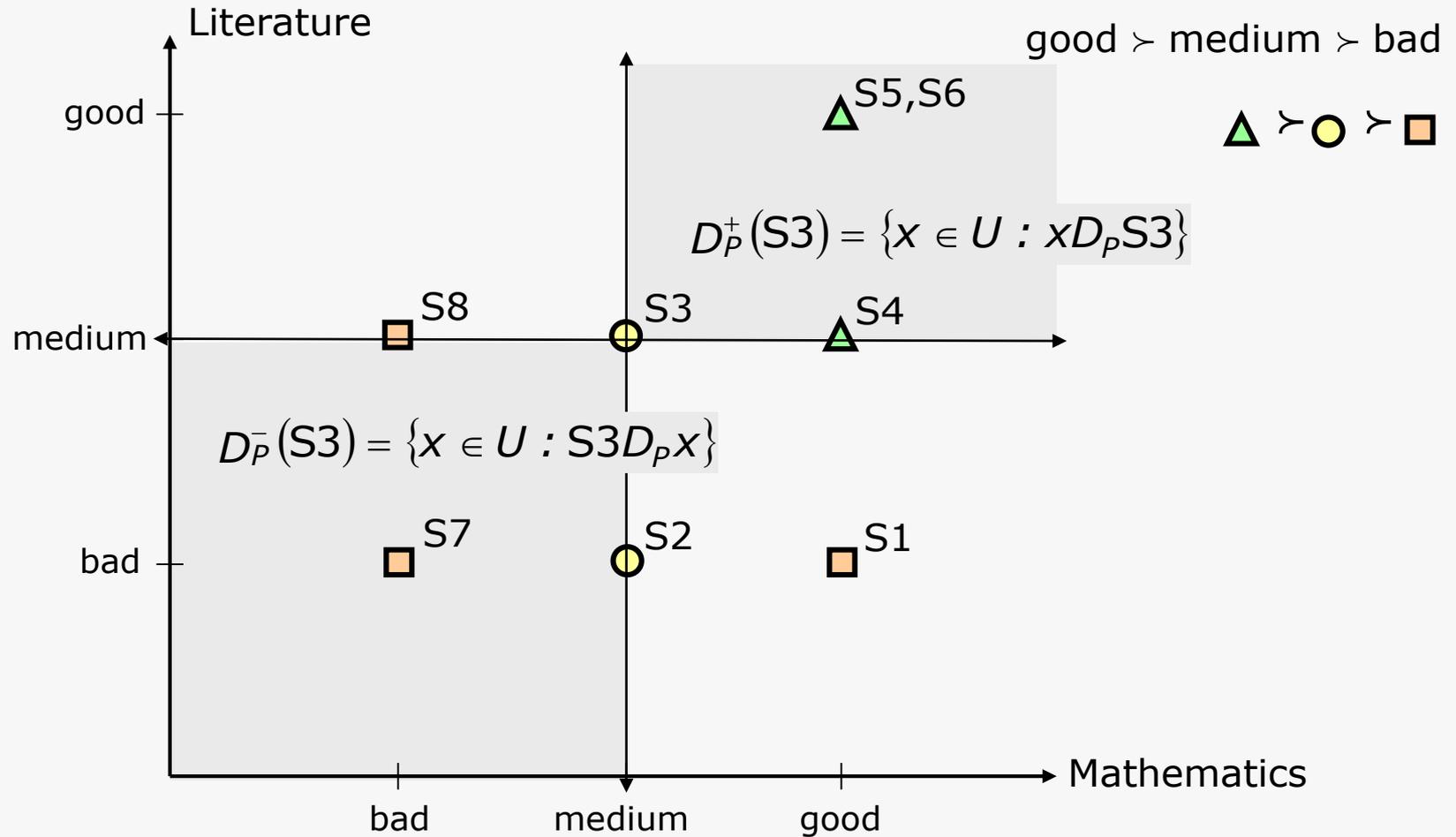
DRSA for multiple criteria classification

- Let us represent the **students** in condition space $\{M,L\}$:



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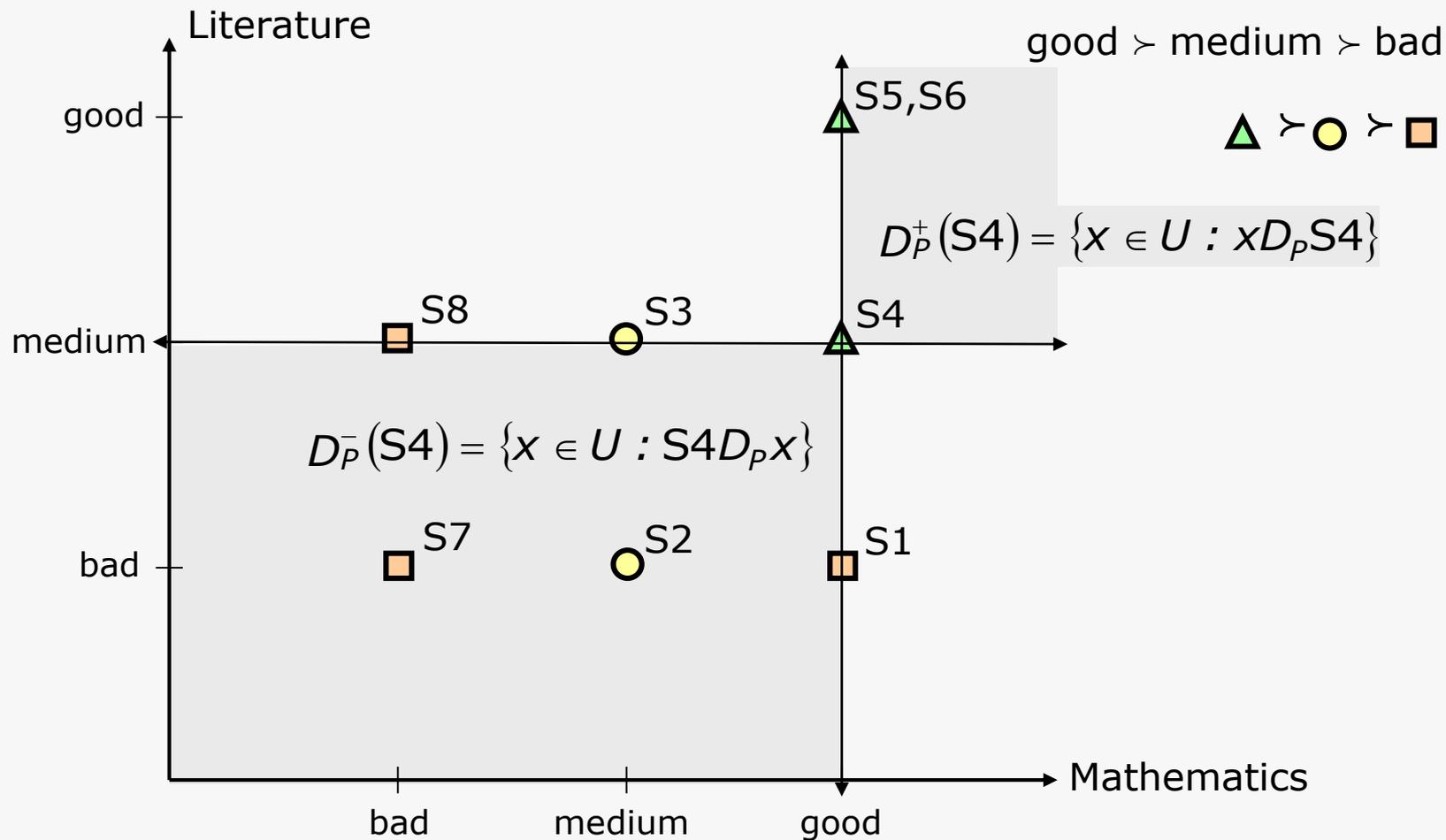
- Dominance cones in condition space $\{M,L\}$:



- $P = \{M, L\}$

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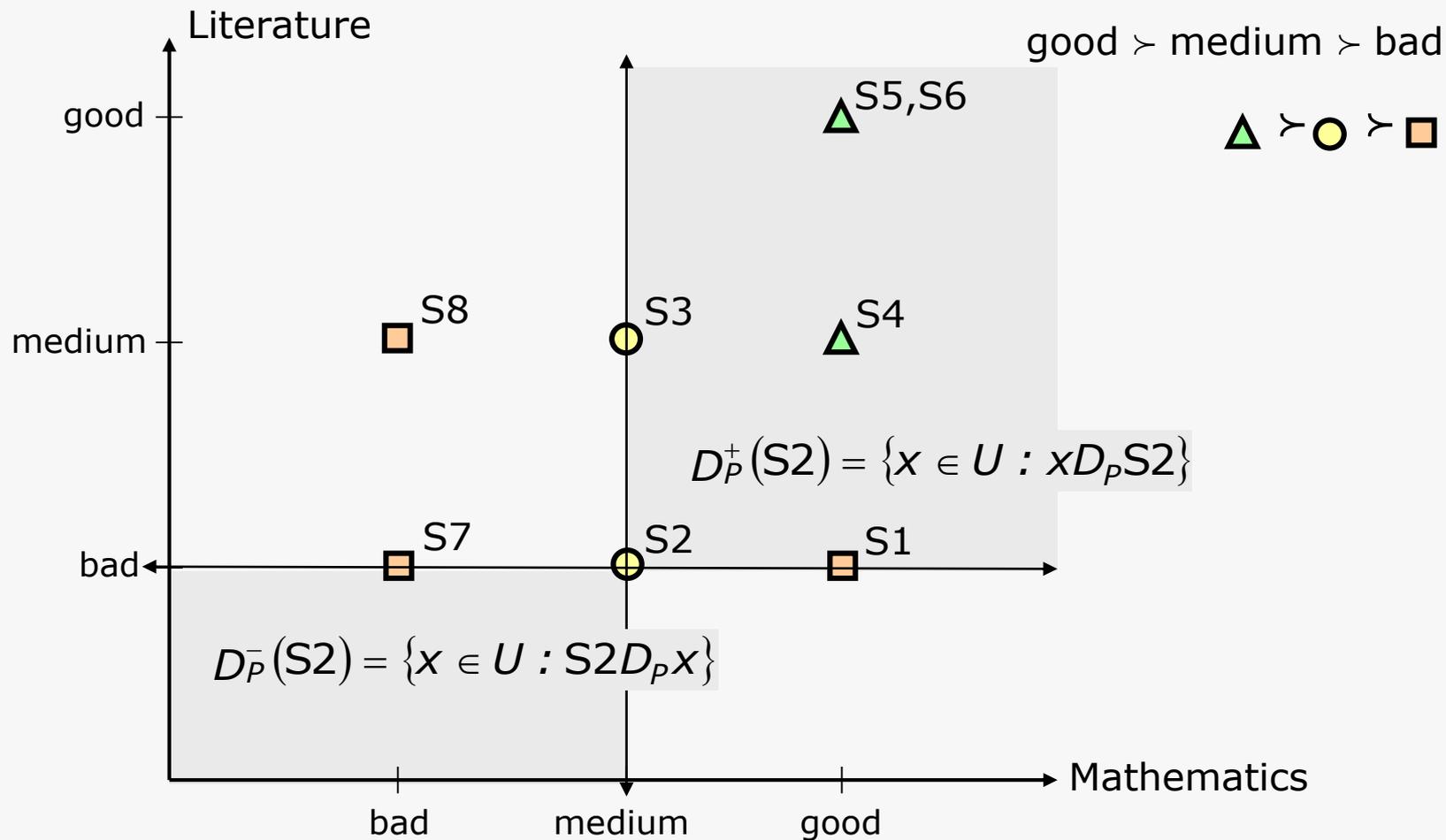
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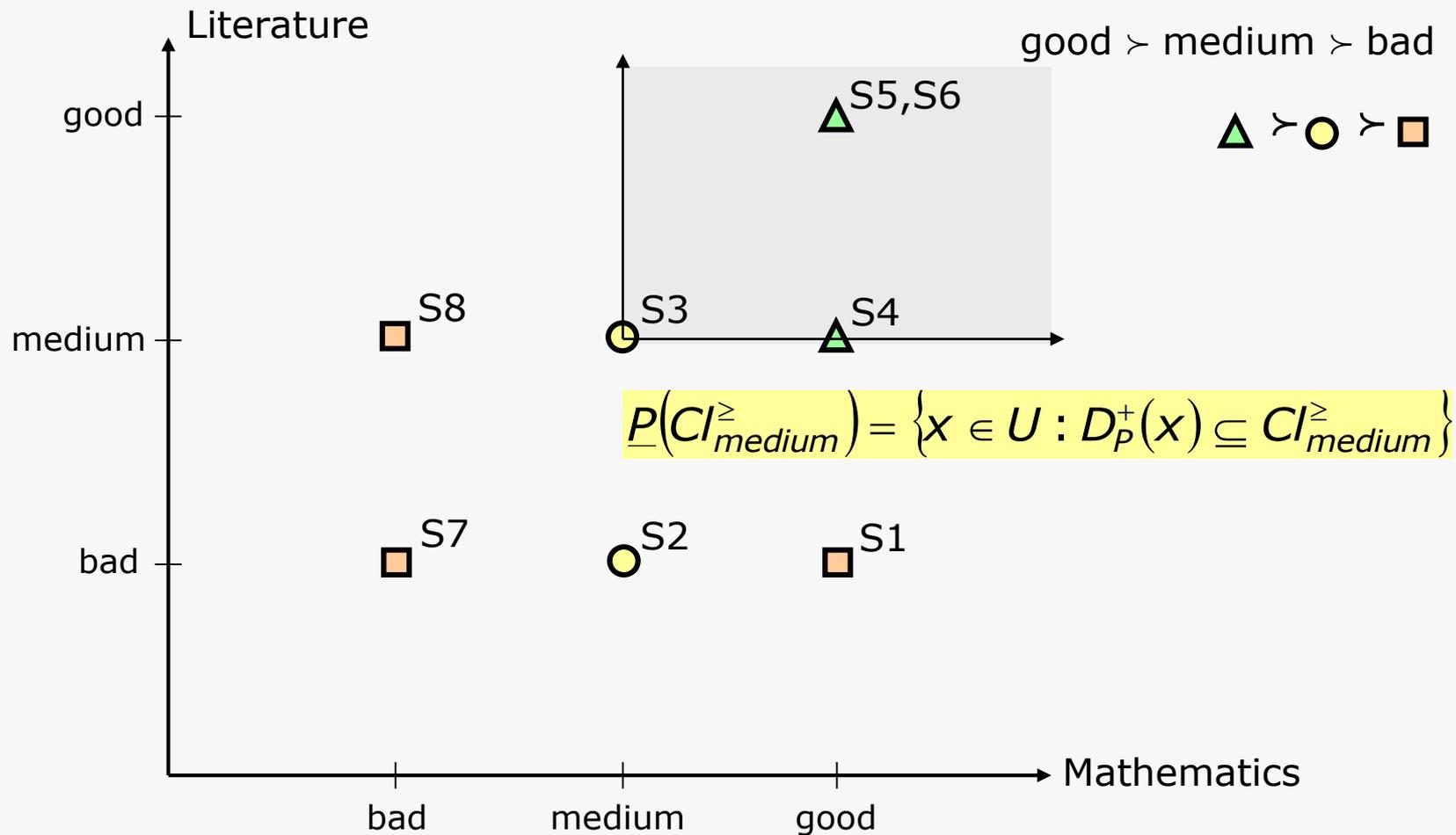
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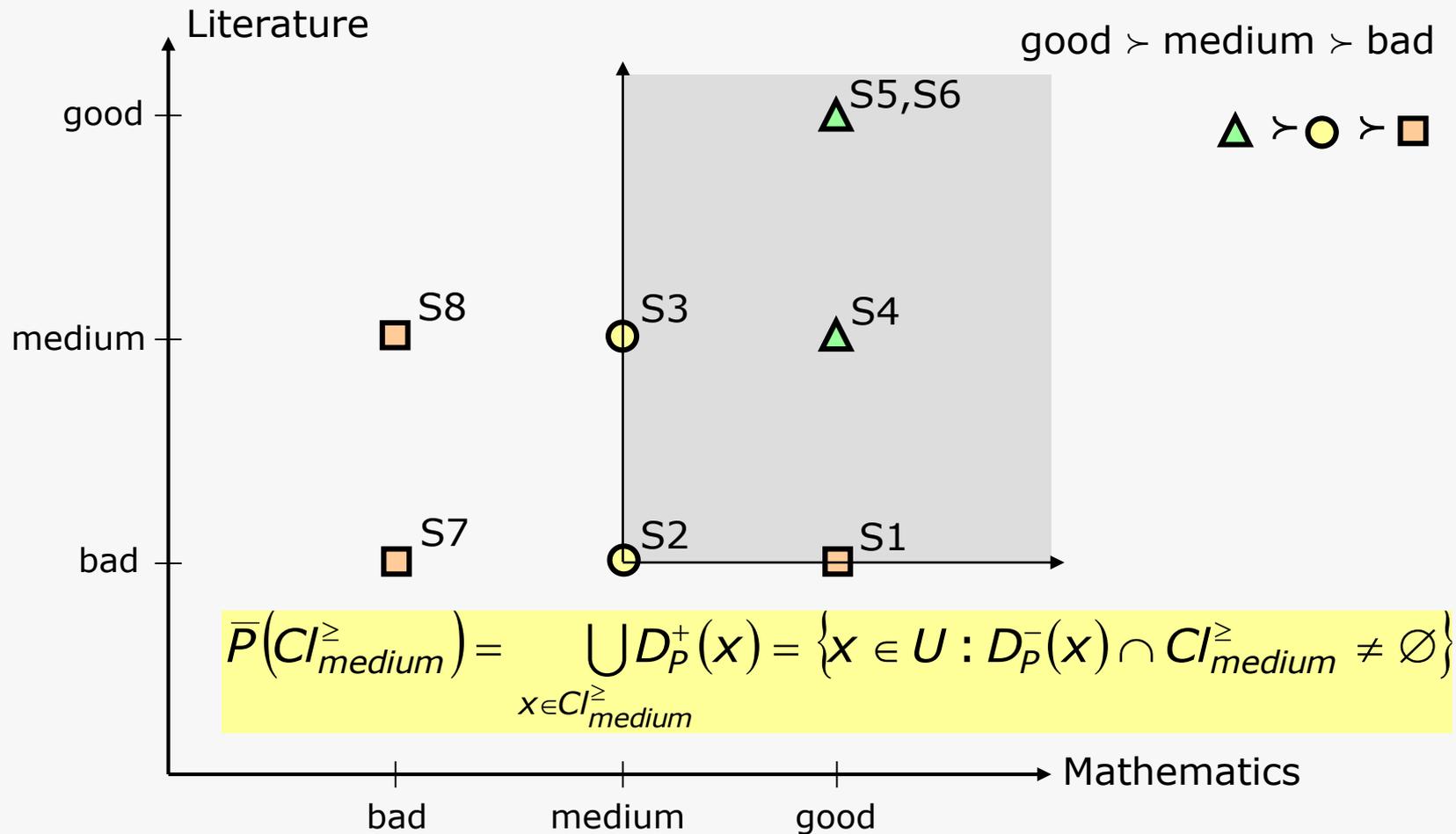
- Lower approximation of at least medium students:



- $P = \{M, L\}$

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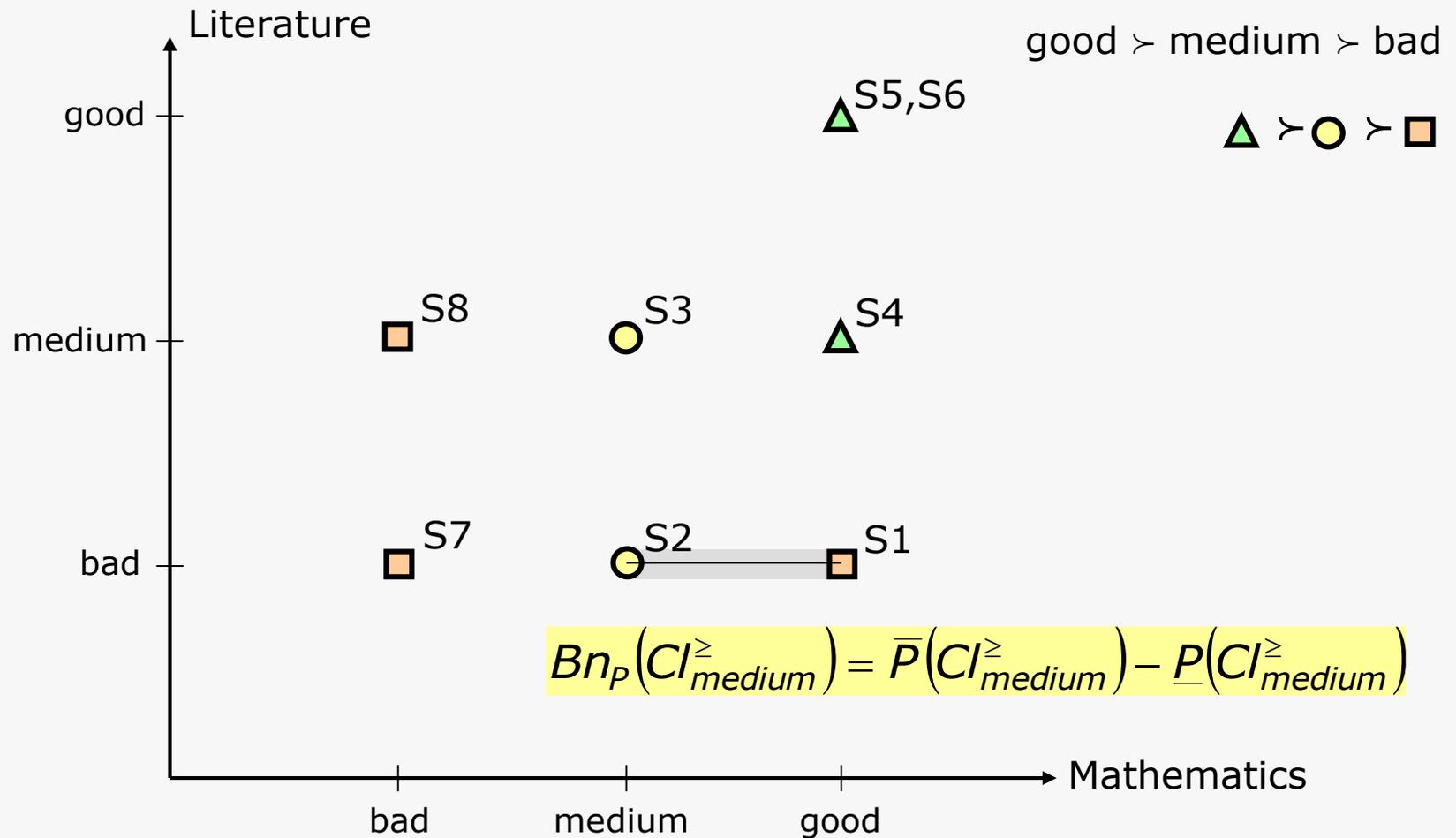
- Upper approximation of at least medium students:



- $P = \{M, L\}$

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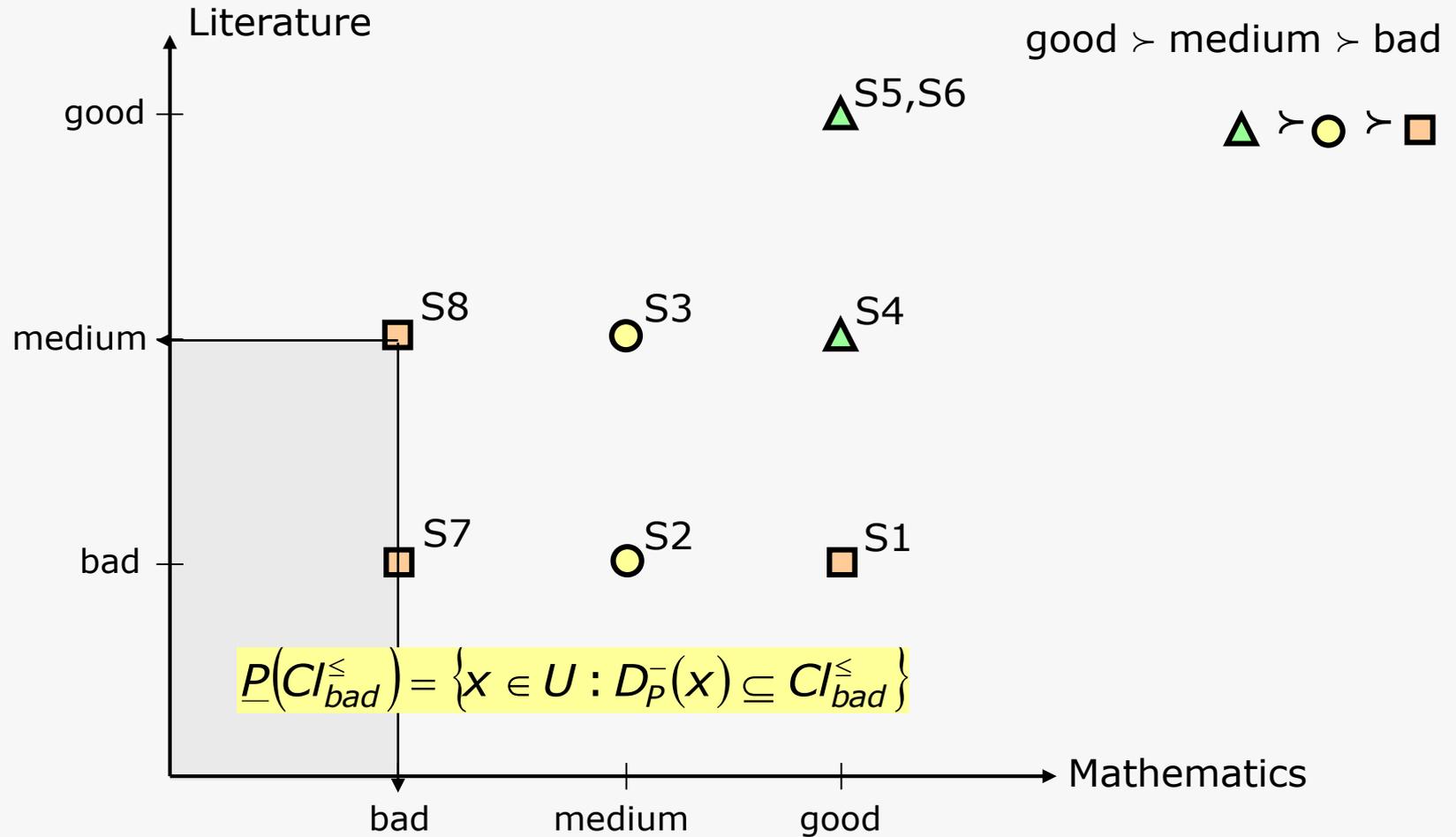
- Boundary region of at least medium students:



- $P = \{M, L\}$

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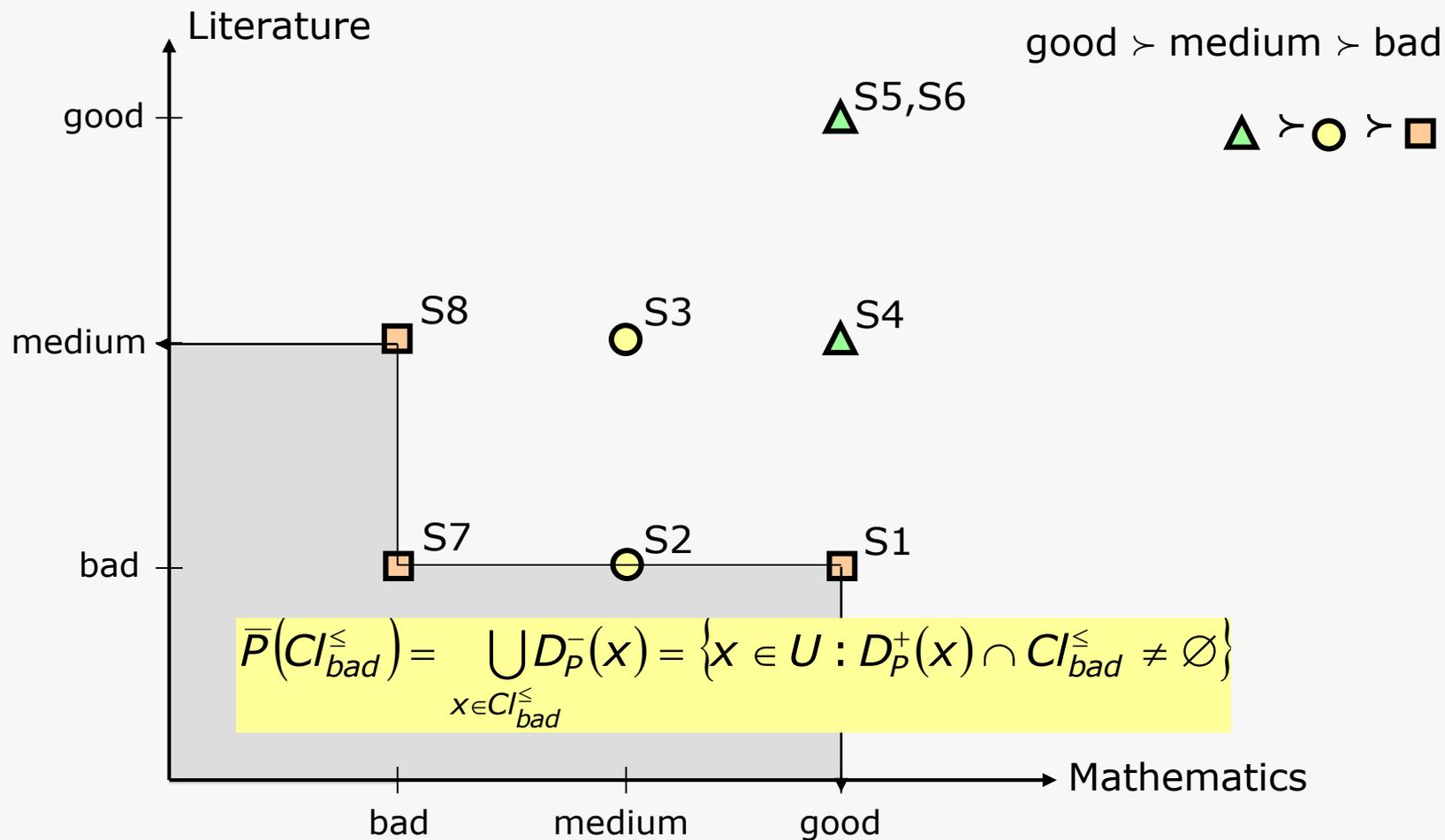
- Lower approximation of at most bad students:



- $P = \{M, L\}$

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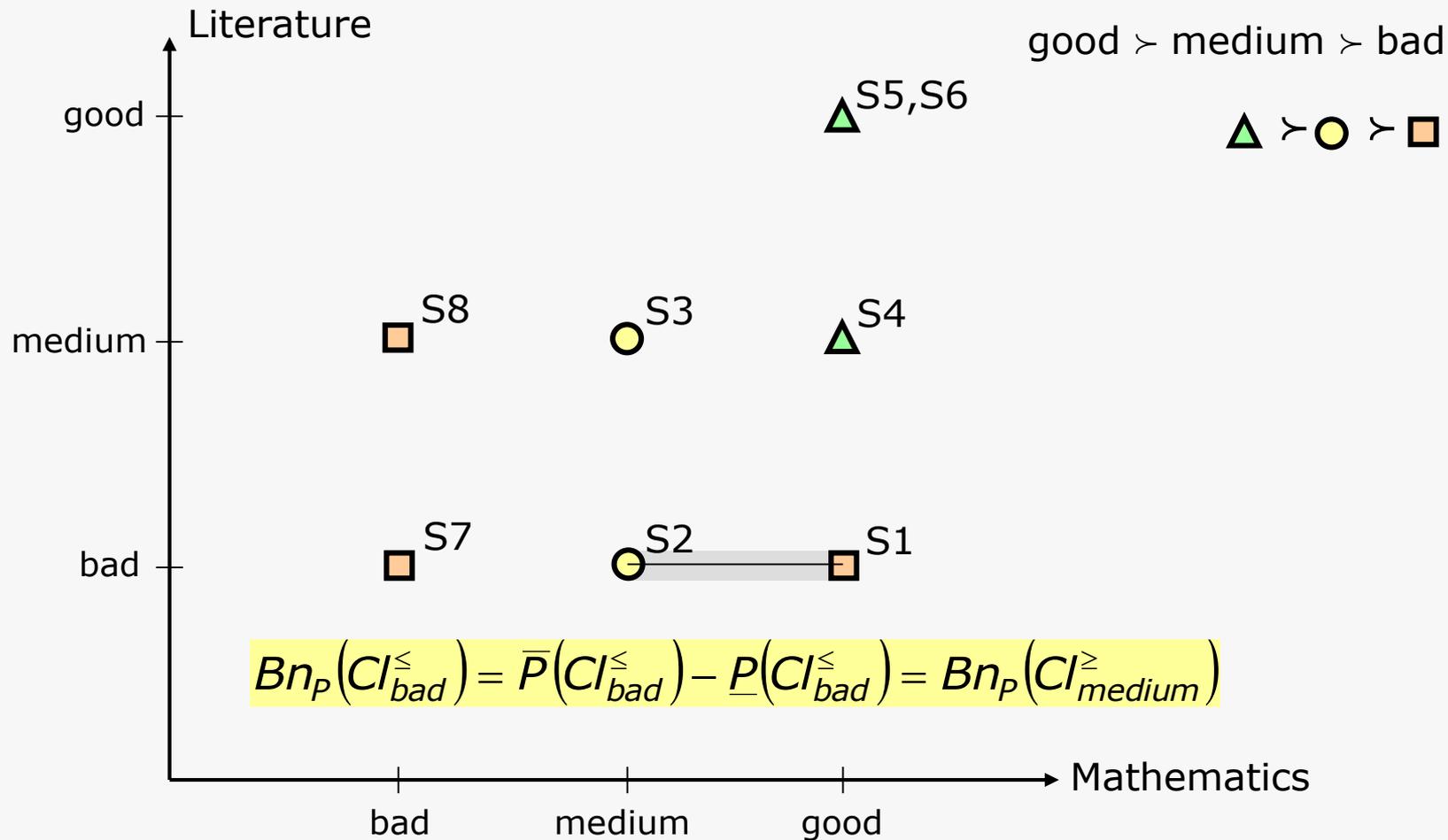
- Upper approximation of at most **bad** students:



- $P = \{M, L\}$

DRSA for multiple criteria classification

- Boundary region of at most bad students:



- $P = \{M, L\}$

DRSA – properties

- Basic properties of rough approximations

$$\underline{P}(CI_t^{\geq}) \subseteq CI_t^{\geq} \subseteq \overline{P}(CI_t^{\geq}) \quad \underline{P}(CI_t^{\leq}) \subseteq CI_t^{\leq} \subseteq \overline{P}(CI_t^{\leq})$$

$$\underline{P}(CI_t^{\geq}) = U - \overline{P}(CI_{t-1}^{\leq}), \text{ for } t=2, \dots, m$$

- Identity of boundaries $Bn_P(CI_t^{\geq}) = Bn_P(CI_{t-1}^{\leq})$, for $t=2, \dots, m$

- Quality of approximation of classification $\mathbf{CI} = \{CI_t, t=1, \dots, m\}$ by set $P \subseteq C$

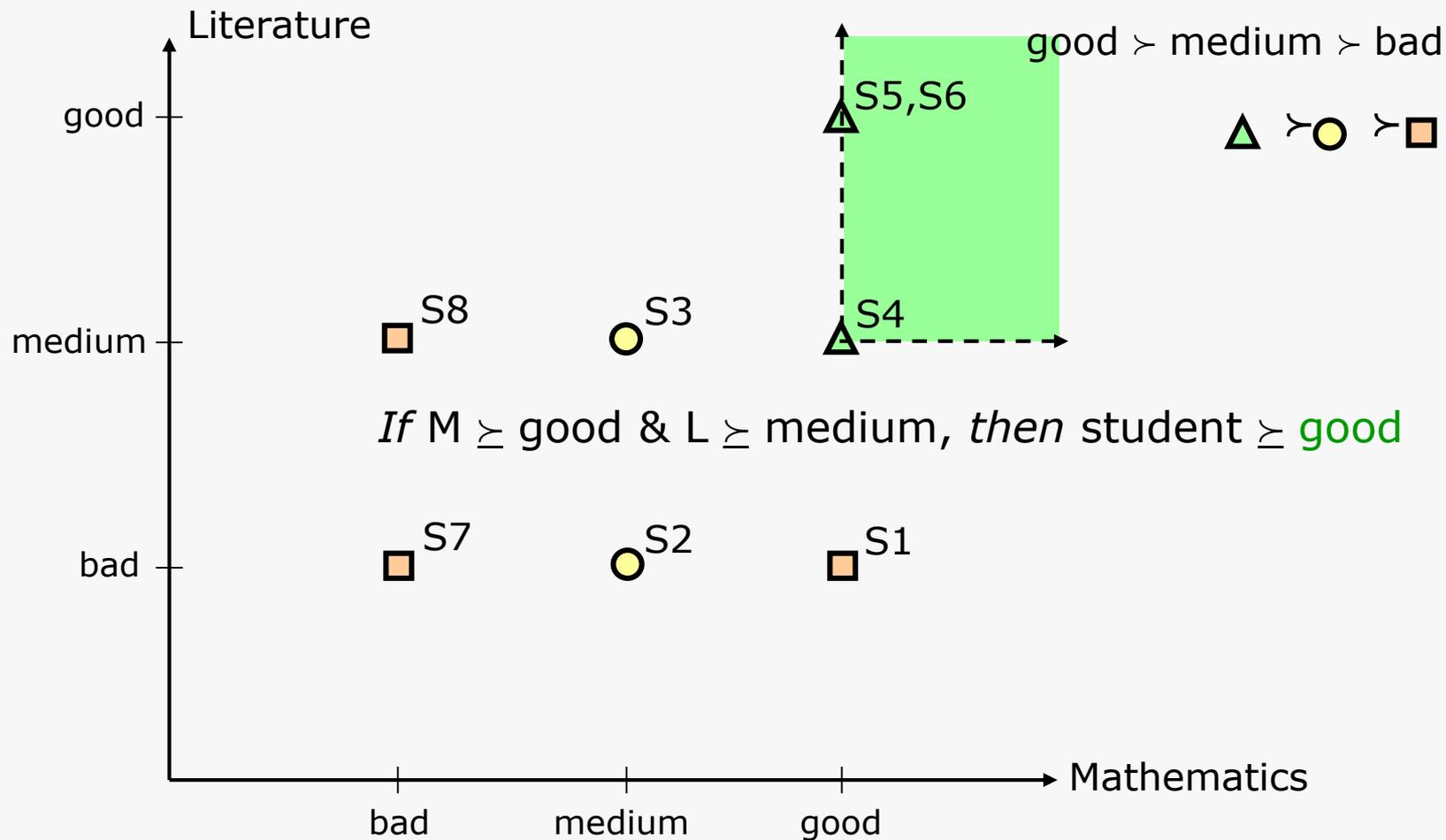
$$\gamma_P(\mathbf{CI}) = \frac{|U - \bigcup_{t \in \{2, \dots, m\}} Bn_P(CI_t^{\geq})|}{|U|}$$

- \mathbf{CI} -reducts and \mathbf{CI} -core of $P \subseteq C$

$$CORE_{\mathbf{CI}}(P) = \bigcap RED_{\mathbf{CI}}(P)$$

DRSA for multiple criteria classification

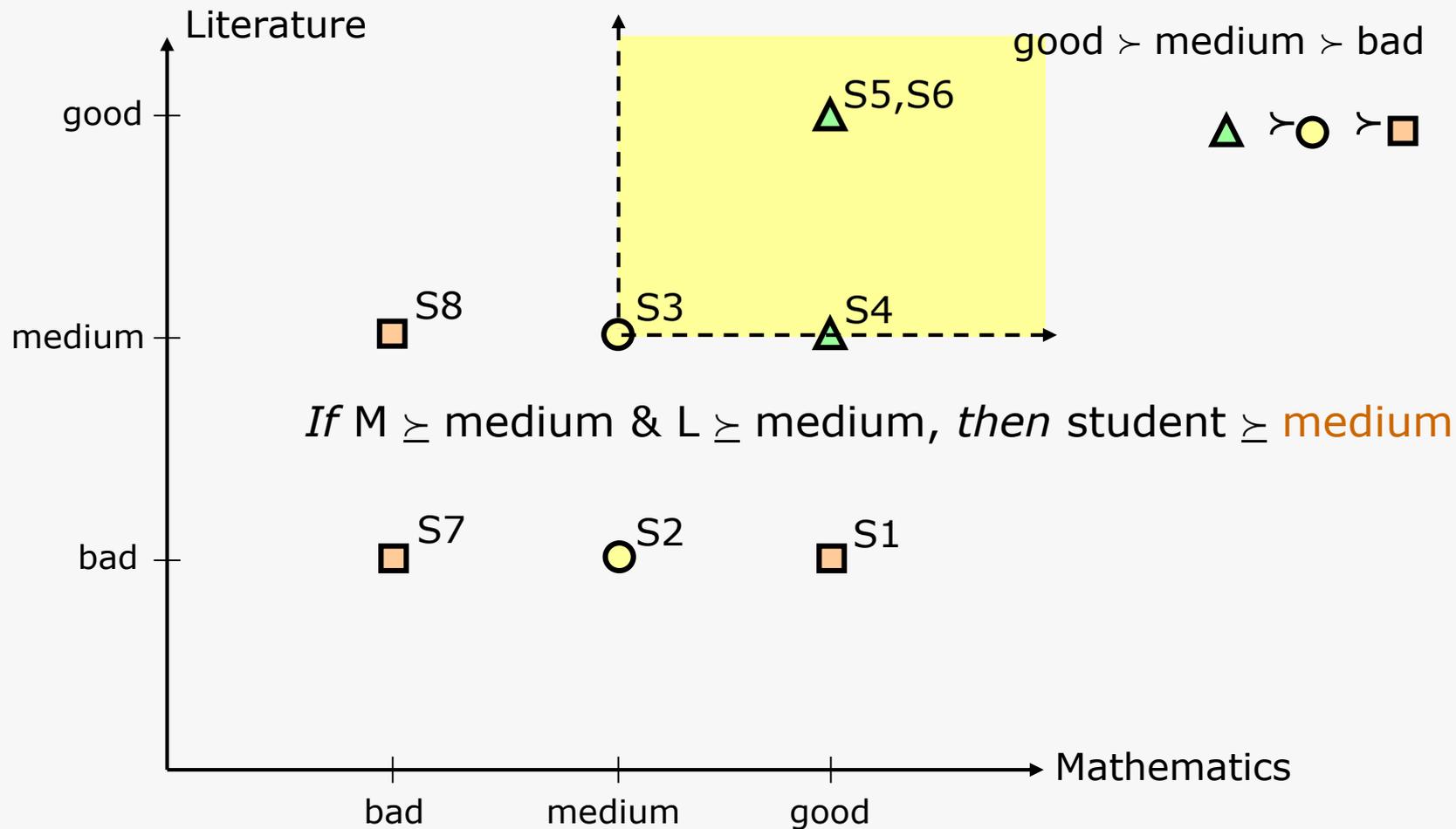
- Decision rules in terms of $\{M,L\}$:



- D_{\succeq} - certain rule

DRSA for multiple criteria classification

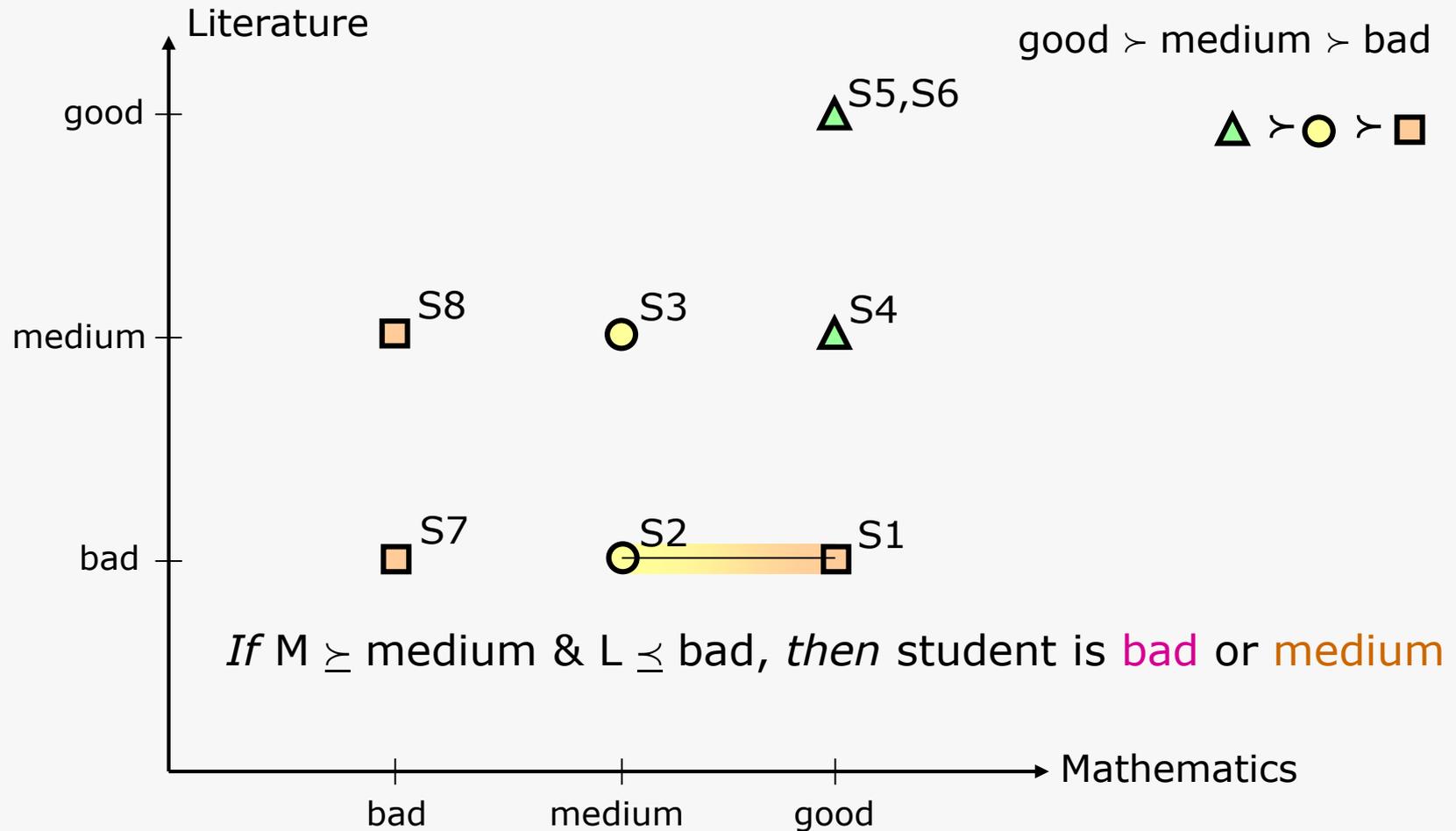
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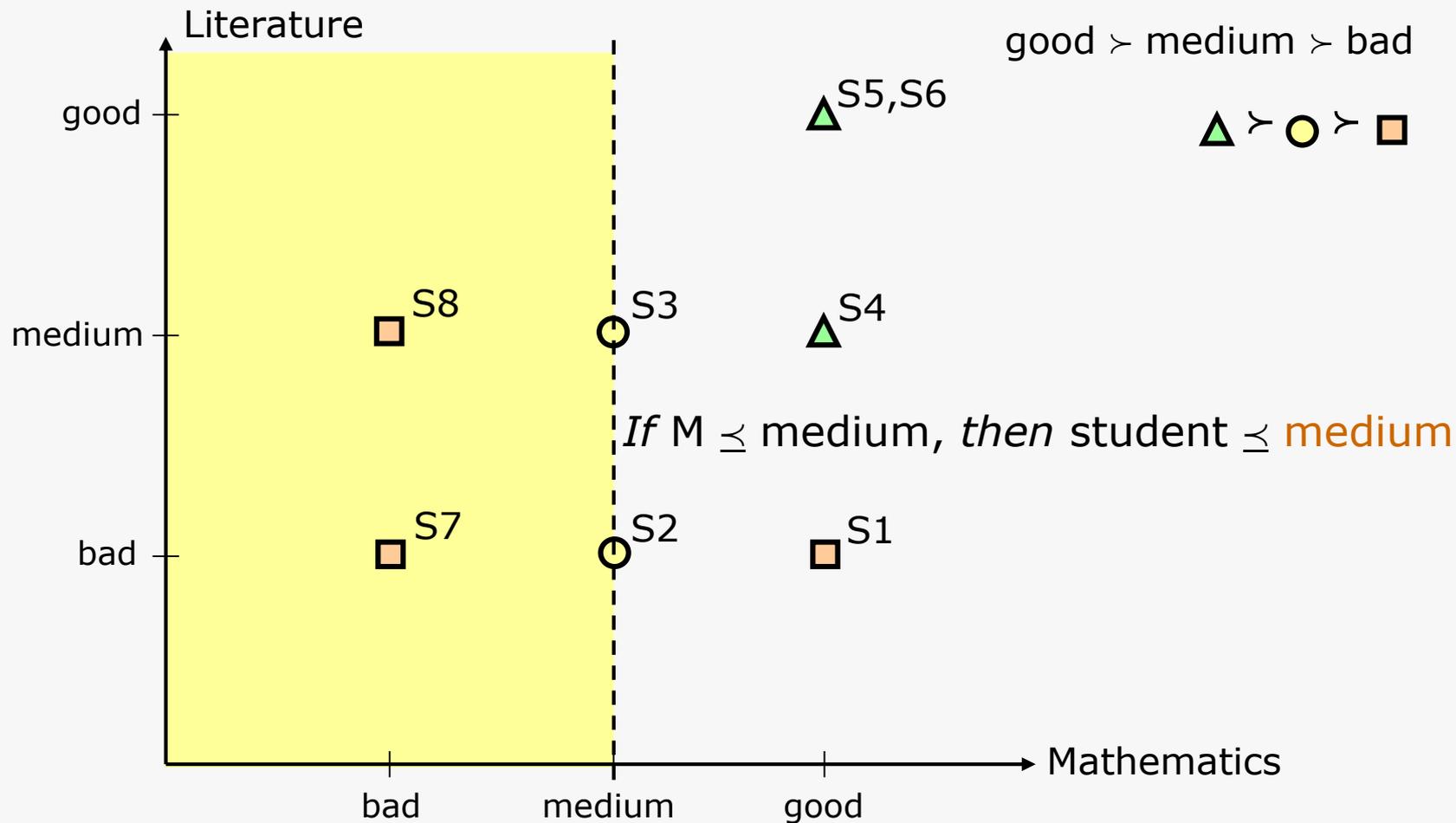
- Decision rules in terms of $\{M, L\}$:



- D_{\succeq} - approximate rule

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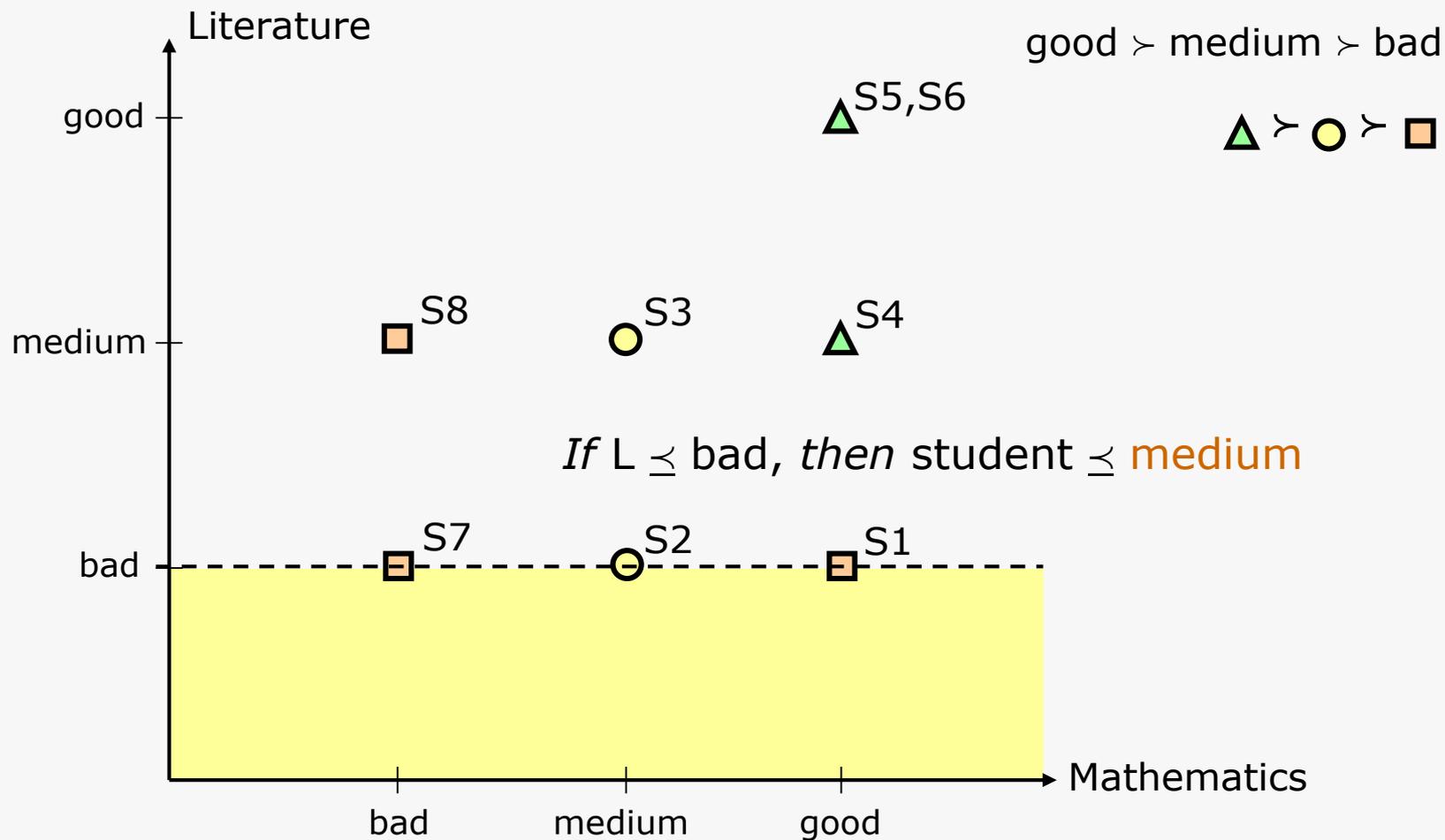
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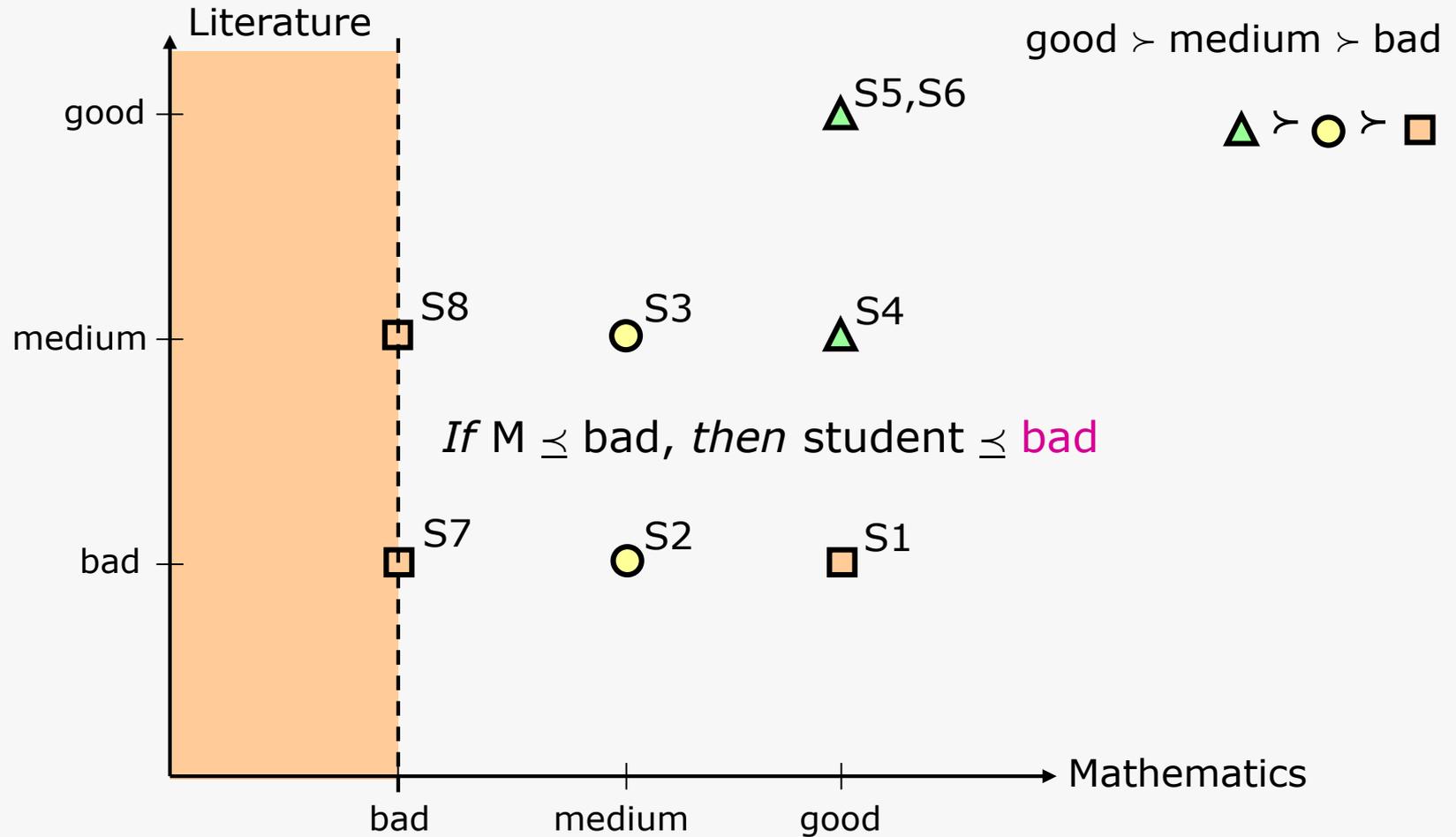
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DRSA for multiple criteria classification

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DRSA for multiple criteria classification

- Set of decision rules in terms of $\{M, L\}$ representing preferences:

If $M \succeq \text{good}$ & $L \succeq \text{medium}$, then student $\succeq \text{good}$ $\{S4, S5, S6\}$

If $M \succeq \text{medium}$ & $L \succeq \text{medium}$, then student $\succeq \text{medium}$ $\{S3, S4, S5, S6\}$

If $M \succeq \text{medium}$ & $L \preceq \text{bad}$, then student is **bad** or **medium** $\{S1, S2\}$

If $M \preceq \text{medium}$, then student $\preceq \text{medium}$ $\{S2, S3, S7, S8\}$

If $L \preceq \text{bad}$, then student $\preceq \text{medium}$ $\{S1, S2, S7\}$

If $M \preceq \text{bad}$, then student $\preceq \text{bad}$ $\{S7, S8\}$

DRSA for multiple criteria classification

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If $M \succeq$ medium & $L \preceq$ bad, then student is bad or medium {S1,S2}

If $Ph \preceq$ medium & $L \preceq$ medium then student \preceq medium {S1,S2,S3,S7,S8}

If $M \preceq$ bad, then student \preceq bad {S7,S8}

- The preference model involving all three criteria is more concise

Using DRSA rules as a decision model

- New student to be evaluated

Student	Mathematics	Physics	Literature
S9	medium	medium	good

- Set of activated decision rules:

If $M \succeq \text{medium}$ & $L \succeq \text{medium}$, then student $\succeq \text{medium}$ {S3,S4,S5,S6}

If $M \preceq \text{medium}$, then student $\preceq \text{medium}$ {S2,S3,S7,S8}

- Set of non-activated decision rules:

If $M \succeq \text{good}$ & $L \succeq \text{medium}$, then student $\succeq \text{good}$ {S4,S5,S6}

If $M \succeq \text{medium}$ & $L \preceq \text{bad}$, then student is bad or medium {S1,S2}

If $M \preceq \text{bad}$, then student $\preceq \text{bad}$ {S7,S8}

DRSA for multiple criteria classification

- Importance and interaction among criteria
- Quality of approximation of classification $\gamma_P(\mathbf{CI})$ ($P \subseteq C$) is a fuzzy measure with the property of Choquet capacity
 $(\gamma_{\emptyset}(\mathbf{CI})=0, \gamma_C(\mathbf{CI})=r$ and $\gamma_R(\mathbf{CI}) \leq \gamma_P(\mathbf{CI}) \leq r$ for any $R \subseteq P \subseteq C$)
- Such measure can be used to calculate Shapley value or Benzhaf index, i.e., an average „contribution“ of criterion q in all coalitions of criteria, $q \in \{1, \dots, n\}$
- Fuzzy measure theory permits, moreover, to calculate interaction indices for pairs (or larger subsets) of criteria (Murofushi & Soneda, Grabisch or Roubens), i.e., an average „added value“ resulting from putting together q and q' in all coalitions of criteria, $q, q' \in \{1, \dots, n\}$

DRSA for multiple criteria classification

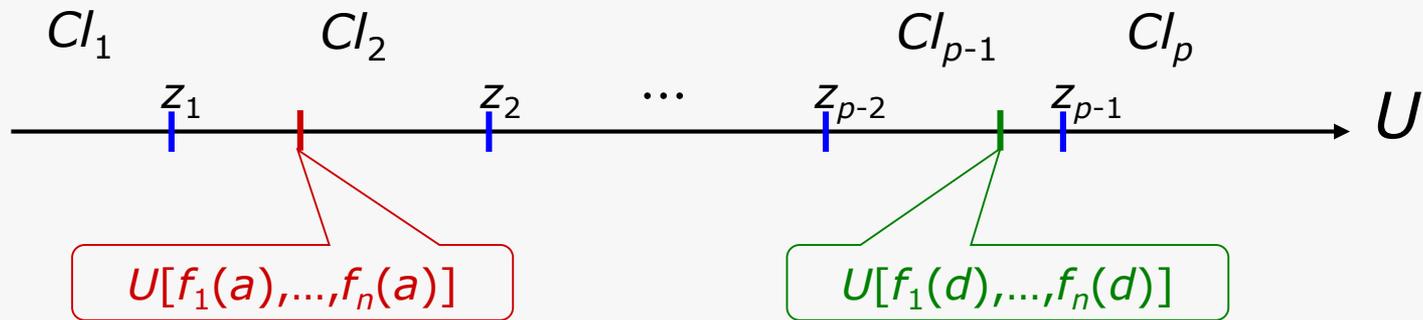
- Quality of approximation of classification of students

$$\gamma_C(\mathbf{CI}) = [8 - |\{S1, S2\}|] / 8 = 0.75$$

Set of criteria P	Ambiguous objects	Non-ambiguous objects	Quality of classification	Shapley value
{Mathematics}	S1,S2,S3,S4,S5,S6	S7,S8	0.25	0.167
{Physics}	S1,S2,S3,S5	S4,S6,S7,S8	0.5	0.292
{Literature}	S1,S2,S3,S4,S7,S8	S5,S6	0.25	0.292
{Mathematics, Physics}	S1,S2,S3,S5	S4,S6,S7,S8	0.5	-0.375
{Mathematics, Literature}	S1,S2	S3,S4,S5,S6,S7,S8	0.75	0.125
{Physics, Literature}	S1,S2	S3,S4,S5,S6,S7,S8	0.75	-0.125
{Mathematics, Physics, Literature}	S1,S2	S3,S4,S5,S6,S7,S8	0.75	-0.125

Comparison of decision rule preference model and utility function

- Value-driven methods
- The preference model is a utility function U and a set of thresholds z_t , $t=1, \dots, p-1$, on U , separating the decision classes Cl_t , $t=0, 1, \dots, p$

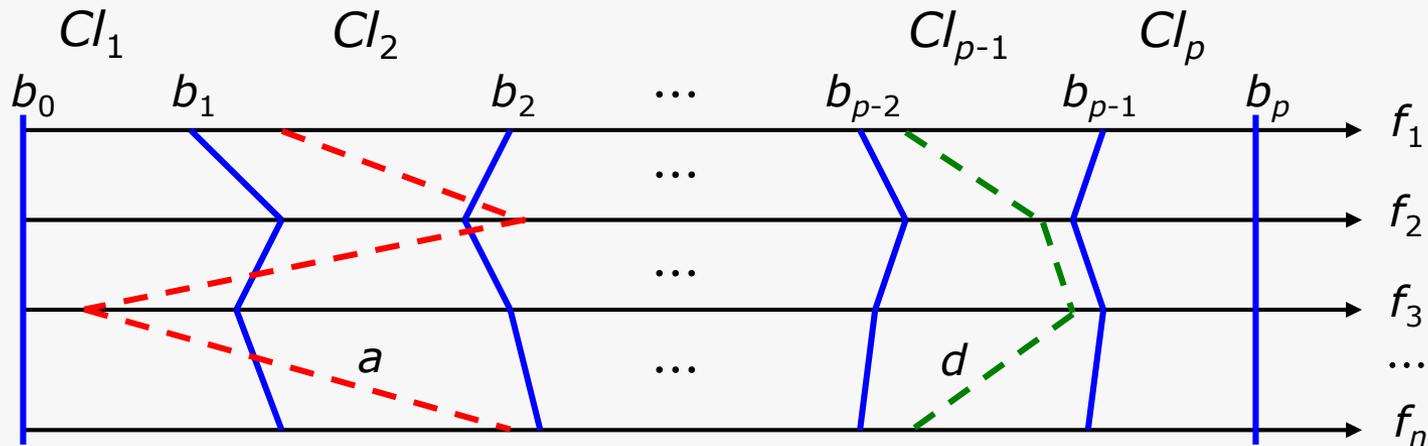


- A value of utility function U is calculated for each action $a \in A$
- e.g. $a \rightarrow Cl_2$, $d \rightarrow Cl_{p-1}$

Comparison of decision rule preference model and outranking relation

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- Decision classes Cl_t are characterized by limit profiles b_t , $t=0,1,\dots,p$

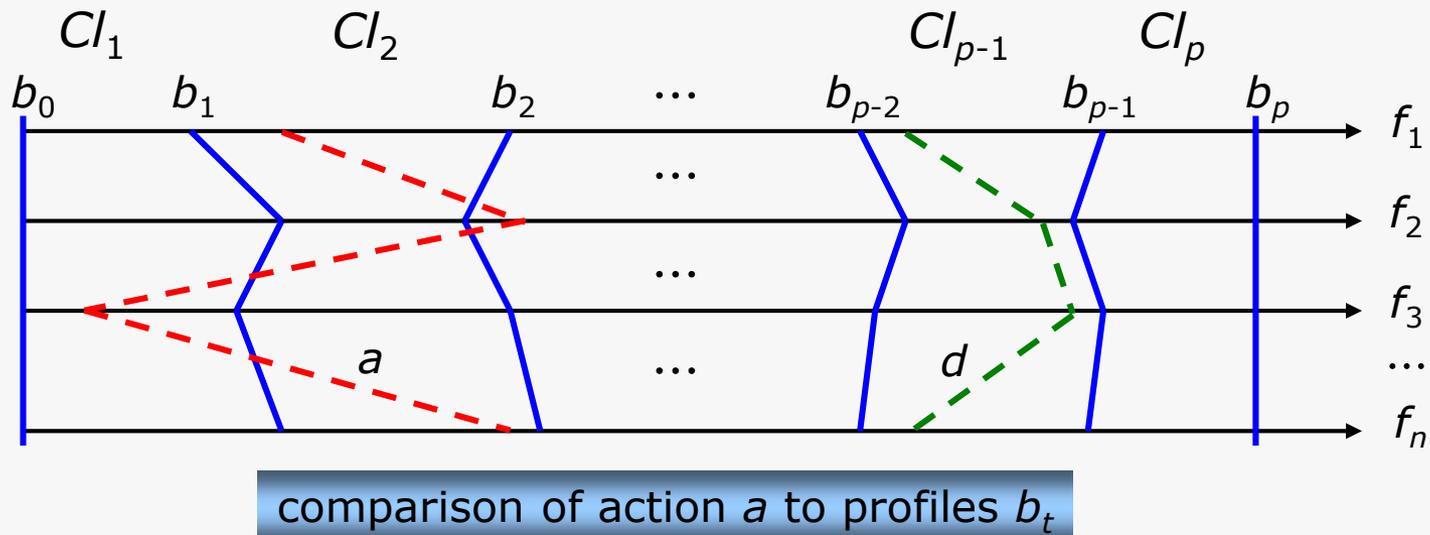


- The preference model, i.e. outranking relation S , is constructed for each couple (a, b_t) , for every $a \in A$ and b_t , $t=0,1,\dots,p$

Comparison of decision rule preference model and outranking relation

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- Decision classes Cl_t are characterized by limit profiles b_t , $t=0,1,\dots,p$

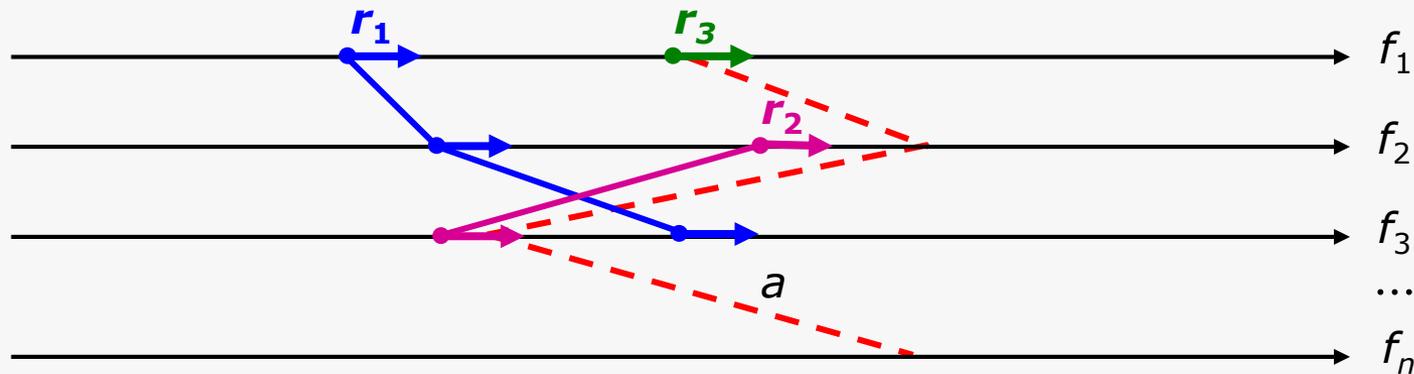


- Compare action a successively to each profile b_t , $t=p-1, \dots, 1, 0$; if b_t is the first profile such that aSb_t , then $a \rightarrow Cl_{t+1}$
- e.g. $a \rightarrow Cl_1$, $d \rightarrow Cl_{p-1}$

Comparison of decision rule preference model and outranking relation

- Rule-based classification
- The preference model is a set of decision rules for unions Cl_t^{\geq} , $t=2, \dots, p$

e.g. for Cl_2^{\geq}



- A decision rule compares an action profile to a partial profile using a dominance relation
- e.g. $a \rightarrow Cl_2^{\geq}$, because profile of a dominates partial profiles of r_2 and r_3

Important feature of DRSA

- DRSA exploits **ordinal information only**, and decision rules **do not convert ordinal information into numeric one**
- *„Si l'ordre apparaît quelque part dans la qualité, pourquoi chercherions-nous à passer par l'intermédiaire du nombre?“*
(G.Bachelard 1934)
(„If an order appears somewhere in quality, why should we like to interpret this order through numerical values?“)
- Pareto-dominance can be replaced by **Lorenz-dominance**, making decision rules **more equitable** and **risk-averse**

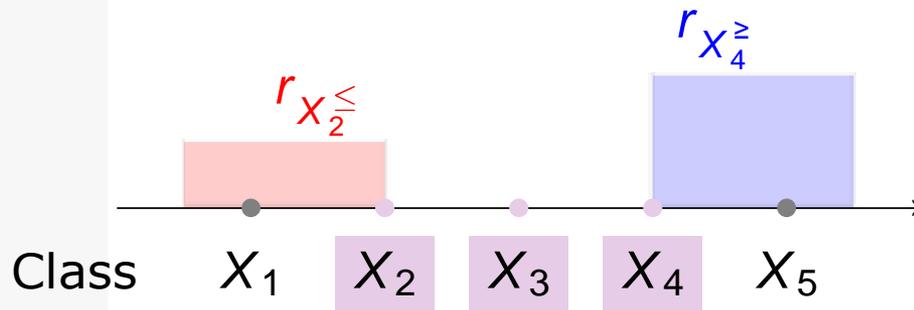
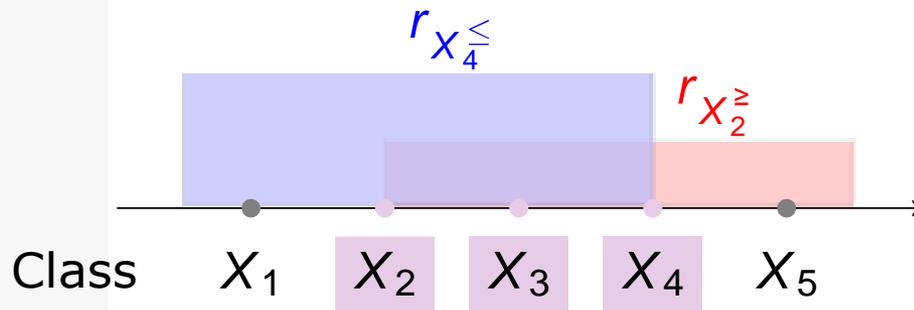
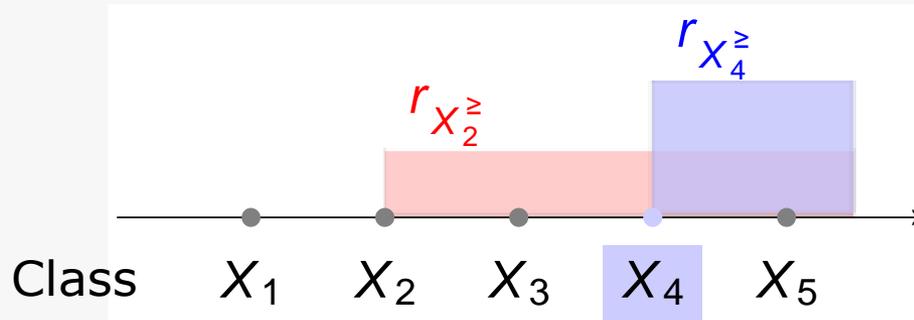
Preference modelling by dominance-based decision rules

- Dominance-based „if..., then...” decision rules are the only aggregation operators that:
 - give account of most complex interactions among criteria,
 - are non-compensatory,
 - accept ordinal evaluation scales and do not convert ordinal evaluations into cardinal ones,
- Rules identify values that drive DM's decisions – each rule is a scenario of a causal relationship between evaluations on a subset of criteria and a comprehensive judgment

R.Słowiński, S.Greco, B.Matarazzo: Axiomatization of utility, outranking and decision-rule preference models for multiple-criteria classification problems under partial inconsistency with the dominance principle, *Control and Cybernetics*, 31 (2002) no.4, 1005-1035

Classification with monotonic decision rules

Application of decision rules to multiple criteria classification



Only „at least“
or „at most“ rules

Overlapping „at least“
and „at most“ rules

Disjoint „at least“
and „at most“ rules

Application of decision rules to multiple criteria classification

- Let $\varphi_1 \rightarrow \psi_1, \dots, \varphi_k \rightarrow \psi_k$, be the rules matching object x

$$(\psi_j = Cl_s^{\geq} \text{ or } \psi_j = Cl_q^{\leq}, s, q \in \{1, \dots, m\}, j = 1, \dots, k)$$

- $R_t(x) = \{j: Cl_t \in \psi_j, j=1, \dots, k\}$, $R_{\neg t}(x) = \{j: Cl_t \notin \psi_j, j=1, \dots, k\}$

$\|\varphi_j\|, \|\psi_j\|$ are sets of objects with property φ_j, ψ_j , respectively, $j=1, \dots, k$

- For classified object x , the **score** is calculated for each candidate class $Cl_t, t=1, \dots, m$

$$score(Cl_t, x) = score^+(Cl_t, x) - score^-(Cl_t, x)$$

$$score^+(Cl_t, x) = \frac{\left| \bigcup_{j \in R_t(x)} (\|\varphi_j\| \cap Cl_t) \right|^2}{\left| \bigcup_{j \in R_t(x)} \|\varphi_j\| \right| \times |Cl_t|}$$

$$score^-(Cl_t, x) = \frac{\left| \bigcup_{j \in \neg R_t(x)} (\|\varphi_j\| \cap \|\psi_j\|) \right|^2}{\left| \bigcup_{j \in \neg R_t(x)} \|\varphi_j\| \right| \times \left| \bigcup_{j \in \neg R_t(x)} \|\psi_j\| \right|}$$

Application of decision rules to multiple criteria classification

- $score^+(Cl_t, x)$ can be interpreted as **confidence** \times **coverage**

$$score^+(Cl_t, x) = Pr(\{\varphi_j: j \in R_t(x)\} | Cl_t) \times Pr(Cl_t | \{\varphi_j: j \in R_t(x)\})$$
- $score^-(Cl_t, x)$ can be interpreted as

$$score^-(Cl_t, x) = Pr(\{\varphi_j: j \in R_{-t}(x)\} | \neg Cl_t) \times Pr(\neg Cl_t | \{\varphi_j: j \in R_{-t}(x)\})$$

Recommendation: $x \rightarrow Cl_t$

where $Cl_t = \underset{t \in \{1, \dots, m\}}{arg\ max} (score(Cl_t, x))$

J. Błaszczyski, S. Greco, R. Słowiński: Multi-criteria classification – a new scheme for application of dominance-based decision rules. *European J. Operational Research*, 181 (2007) 1030-1044

J. Błaszczyski, R. Słowiński, M. Szelağ: Sequential covering rule induction algorithm for variable consistency rough set approaches. *Information Sciences*, 181 (2011) 987-1002

Computational experiment – data sets

Id	Data set	# Objects	# Attributes	# Classes
1	balance	625	4	3
2	breast-c	286	7	2
3	breast-w	699	9	2
4	car	1296	6	4
5	cpu	209	6	4
6	bank-g	1411	16	2
7	fame	1328	10	5
8	denbosch	119	8	2
9	ERA	1000	4	9
10	ESL	488	4	9
11	housing	506	13	4
12	LEV	1000	4	5
13	SWD	1000	10	4
14	windsor	546	10	4

The directions of ordering in the domains of the attributes are known.

Predictive accuracy is measured on the basis of averaged stratified 10-fold cross validation estimates.

Classification accuracy results: ϵ -VC-DomLEM gets minimal MAE

Averaged stratified 10-fold cross validation estimates

data set	ϵ -VC-DomLEM	μ -VC-DomLEM	Naive Bayes	SMO	Ripper	J48	OLM	OSDL
balance	0.1621 (2) ±0.001996	0.1659 (3) ±0.002719	0.1104 (1) ±0.002613	0.1723 (4) ±0.003017	0.2917 (5) ±0.01088	0.3088 (6) ±0.02174	0.6384 (7) ±0.01713	0.7003 (8) ±0.004588
breast-cancer	0.2331 (1) ±0.003297	0.2436 (3) ±0.007185	0.2564 (4) ±0.005943	0.3217 (7) ±0.01244	0.2960 (5) ±0.01154	0.2424 (2) ±0.003297	0.324 (8) ±0.01835	0.3065 (6) ±0.001648
breast-w	0.03720 (2) ±0.002023	0.04578 (6) ±0.003504	0.03958 (3) ±0.0006744	0.03243 (1) ±0.0006744	0.04483 (5) ±0.004721	0.05532 (7) ±0.00751	0.1764 (8) ±0.00552	0.04149 (4) ±0.001168
car	0.03421 (1) ±0.0007275	0.03524 (2) ±0.0009624	0.1757 (7) ±0.002025	0.08668 (4) ±0.002025	0.2029 (8) ±0.01302	0.1168 (6) ±0.003108	0.09156 (5) ±0.005358	0.04141 (3) ±0.0009624
cpu	0.08293 (1) ±0.01479	0.0925 (2) ±0.01579	0.1707 (5) ±0.009832	0.4386 (8) ±0.01579	0.1611 (4) ±0.01372	0.1196 (3) ±0.01790	0.3461 (7) ±0.02744	0.3158 (6) ±0.01034
bank-g	0.04536 (1) ±0.001531	0.04867 (2) ±0.000884	0.1146 (6) ±0.01371	0.1280 (7) ±0.001205	0.0489 (3) ±0.00352	0.0515 (4) ±0.005251	0.05528 (5) ±0.001736	0.1545 (8) ±0
fame	0.3406 (1.5) ±0.001878	0.3469 (3) ±0.004	0.4829 (6) ±0.002906	0.3406 (1.5) ±0.001775	0.3991 (5) ±0.003195	0.3863 (4) ±0.005253	1.577 (7) ±0.03791	1.592 (8) ±0.007555
denbosch	0.1232 (1) ±0.01048	0.1289 (2.5) ±0.01428	0.1289 (2.5) ±0.01428	0.2129 (7) ±0.003961	0.1737 (6) ±0.02598	0.1653 (5) ±0.01048	0.2633 (8) ±0.02206	0.1541 (4) ±0.003961
ERA	1.307 (2) ±0.002055	1.364 (7) ±0.006018	1.325 (5) ±0.003771	1.318 (3) ±0.007257	1.681 (8) ±0.01558	1.326 (6) ±0.006018	1.321 (4) ±0.01027	1.280 (1) ±0.00704
ESL	0.3702 (3) ±0.01352	0.4146 (5) ±0.005112	0.3456 (2) ±0.003864	0.4262 (6) ±0.01004	0.4296 (7) ±0.01608	0.3736 (4) ±0.01089	0.474 (8) ±0.01114	0.3422 (1) ±0.005019
housing	0.3235 (2) ±0.01133	0.3083 (1) ±0.00559	0.5033 (7) ±0.006521	0.3551 (3) ±0.005187	0.3676 (4) ±0.007395	0.3676 (5) ±0.01556	0.3867 (6) ±0.01050	1.078 (8) ±0.00796
LEV	0.4813 (6) ±0.004028	0.5187 (7) ±0.002867	0.475 (5) ±0.004320	0.4457 (4) ±0.003399	0.4277 (3) ±0.00838	0.426 (2) ±0.01476	0.615 (8) ±0.0099	0.4033 (1) ±0.003091
SWD	0.454 (4) ±0.004320	0.4857 (7) ±0.005249	0.475 (6) ±0.004320	0.4503 (2) ±0.002867	0.452 (3) ±0.006481	0.4603 (5) ±0.004497	0.5707 (8) ±0.007717	0.433 (1) ±0.002160
windsor	0.5024 (1) ±0.006226	0.5201 (3) ±0.003956	0.5488 (4) ±0.005662	0.5891 (6) ±0.02101	0.6825 (8) ±0.03332	0.652 (7) ±0.03721	0.5757 (5) ±0.006044	0.5153 (2) ±0.006044
average rank	2.04	3.82	4.54	4.54	5.29	4.71	6.71	4.36

rank

- SMO** - Sequential Minimal Optimization – implementation of SVM in Java (WEKA)
Ripper - Repeated Incremental Pruning to Produce Error Reduction - version of IREP
J48 - implementation of C4.5 in Java (WEKA), **OLM** - Ordinal Learning Method
OSDL - Ordinal Stochastic Dominance Learner

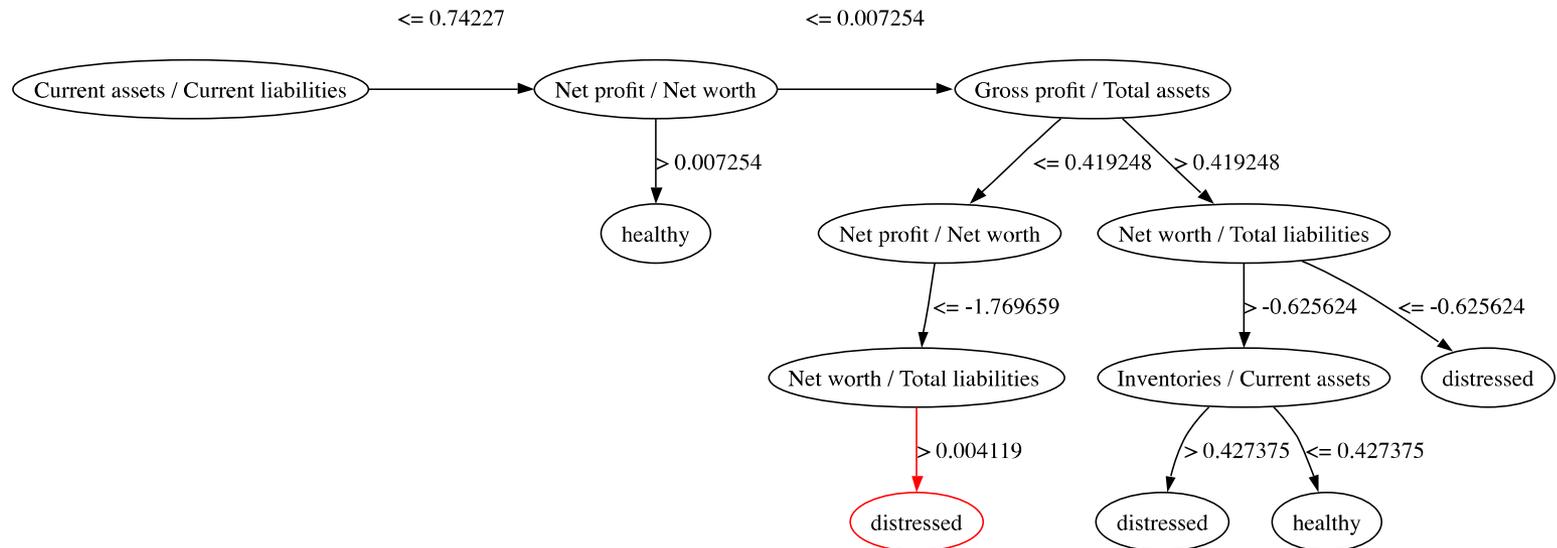
Expressiveness of models – „black-box“

Black-box Classifiers

Classifiers that only give suggestion:
Naïve Bayes, SVM, OLM, OSDL, ...

Decision Trees

Model can be counterintuitive (orders of preference are neglected).



Expressiveness of models – „glass-box“

Object to classify

Quick ratio	Solvency ratio	Interest cover	EBIT margin	EBITDA margin
1.74	59.72	10.4	43.59	64.7

The matching rules

if (*Solvency ratio* ≥ 33.0) and (*EBITDA margin* ≥ 48.07) then
(*STATUS* \leq *Secure*) with ϵ -consistency 0.99

...

Objects supporting the matching rules

Quick ratio	Solvency ratio	Interest cover	EBIT margin	EBITDA margin	STATUS
0.61	33.0	14.69	29.98	48.07	Secure
0.52	35.3	13.21	33.33	49.01	Secure
0.55	34.2	14.03	25.14	50.25	Secure
0.67	33.3	15.21	30.13	51.00	Secure

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Illustrative examples

Example – Prime d'Excellence Scientifique (PES) *with jMAF*

- Multiple criteria classification of candidates for PES award:
 1. Comprehensive assessment (Global)
 2. Publications (Avis 1)
 3. Supervision of PhD students (Avis 2)
 4. Influence (Avis 3)
 5. Administrative responsibility (Avis 4)

Example – Prime d'Excellence Scientifique (PES) with *jMAF*

Attributes: 5 Examples: 118

No	[1 2] Global (+)	[1 2] Avis_1 (+)	[1 2] Avis_2 (+)	[1 2] Avis_3 (+)	[1 2] Avis_4 (+)	[1 2] PRIME (+)
37	B	A	B	C	B	0
38	B	A	B	B	B	1
39	B	A	A	B	B	1
40	B	A	B	C	B	0
41	B	A	B	B	B	1
42	B	B	B	B	B	0
43	B	A	B	C	B	0
44	B	A	B	B	C	0
45	B	B	B	B	C	0
46	B	A	A	C	B	1
47	B	B	A	B	B	0
48	B	A	A	B	A	1
49	B	B	B	B	B	0
50	B	B	C	C	C	0
51	B	A	B	A	B	1
52	B	A	C	B	C	0

Example – Prime d’Excellence Scientifique (PES) with jMAF

Quality of approximation: 0.975

Union name	Accuracy	Cardina...
▲ At most 0	0.962	79
> Lower		77
> Upper		80
▲ Boundary		3
Example_23		
Example_31		
Example_47		
▲ At least 1	0.927	39
> Lower		38
> Upper		41
> Boundary		3

Name	Cardinality	Content
Core	4	Avis_1, Avis_2, Avis_3, Avis_4
▲ Reducts	1	
Reduct 1	4	Avis_1, Avis_2, Avis_3, Avis_4

Example – Prime d'Excellence Scientifique (PES) with jMAF

Number of rules: 7

ID	DECISION PART 1	<=	CONDITION 1	&	CONDITION 2	&	CONDITION 3
1	(PRIME >= 1)	<=	(Avis_2 >= B)	&	(Avis_4 >= A)		
2	(PRIME >= 1)	<=	(Avis_1 >= A)	&	(Avis_2 >= A)		
3	(PRIME >= 1)	<=	(Avis_1 >= A)	&	(Avis_3 >= B)	&	(Avis_4 >= B)
4	(PRIME <= 0)	<=	(Global <= B)	&	(Avis_4 <= C)		
5	(PRIME <= 0)	<=	(Avis_1 <= B)	&	(Avis_3 <= C)		
6	(PRIME <= 0)	<=	(Avis_2 <= B)	&	(Avis_3 <= C)	&	(Avis_4 <= B)
7	(PRIME <= 0)	<=	(Avis_1 <= B)	&	(Avis_2 <= B)	&	(Avis_4 <= B)

Console
 Reducts of PES_RS_var5.isf
 Monotonic Unions
 Statistics of PES_RS_var5.rules

Rule type: **CERTAIN** Usage type: **AT LEAST** Characteristic class: 1

Support: 28
SupportingExamples: 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 20, 22, 26, 30, 38, 39, 41, 48, 51, 65
Strength: 0.237
Confidence: 1
CoverageFactor: 0.718
Coverage: 28
CoveredExamples: 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 20, 22, 26, 30, 38, 39, 41, 48, 51, 65
NegativeCoverage: 0
InconsistencyMeasure: 0
f-ConfirmationMeasure: 1
A-ConfirmationMeasure: 0.63
Z-ConfirmationMeasure: 1

Example – Prime d'Excellence Scientifique (PES) with jMAF

ID	DECISION PART 1	<=	CONDITION 1		CONDITION 2		CONDITION 3
8	(PRIME >= 1)	<=	(Avis_2 >= B)	&	(Avis_4 >= A)		
9	(PRIME >= 1)	<=	(Avis_2 >= A)	&	(Avis_3 >= B)		
10	(PRIME >= 1)	<=	(Avis_1 >= A)	&	(Avis_2 >= A)		
11	(PRIME >= 1)	<=	(Avis_1 >= A)	&	(Avis_3 >= B)	&	(Avis_4 >= B)
12	(PRIME <= 0)	<=	(Global <= B)	&	(Avis_4 <= C)		
13	(PRIME <= 0)	<=	(Global <= C)	&	(Avis_3 <= C)		
14	(PRIME <= 0)	<=	(Avis_1 <= B)	&	(Avis_4 <= B)		
15	(PRIME <= 0)	<=	(Avis_2 <= B)	&	(Avis_3 <= C)	&	(Avis_4 <= B)

Console
 Reducts of PES_RS_var5.isf
 Monotonic Unions
 Statistics of PES_RS_var5.rules

Rule type: **POSSIBLE** Usage type: **AT LEAST** Characteristic class: 1

Support: 24
SupportingExamples: 1, 3, 4, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 23, 28, 30, 33, 39, 48, 81
Strength: 0.203
Confidence: 0.923
CoverageFactor: 0.615
Coverage: 26
CoveredExamples: 1, 3, 4, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 23, 28, 30, 31, 33, 39, 47, 48, 81
NegativeCoverage: 2
NegativeCoveredExamples: 31, 47
InconsistencyMeasure: 0.025
f-ConfirmationMeasure: 0.921
A-ConfirmationMeasure: 0.507
Z-ConfirmationMeasure: 0.885

Illustrative example – Thierry's choice [Bouyssou et al. 2006]

- **Objects:** 14 cars; **Criteria:** Crit_1,...,Crit_5

Car	↓ Cost	↓ Accel	↓ Pick-up	↑ Brakes	↑ Road-h
1. Fiat Tipo	18 342	30.7	37.2	2.33	3.00
2. Alfa 33	15 335	30.2	41.6	2.00	2.50
3. Nissan Sunny	16 973	29.0	34.9	2.66	2.50
4. Mazda 323	15 460	30.4	35.8	1.66	1.50
5. Mitsubishi Colt	15 131	29.7	35.6	1.66	1.75
6. Toyota Corolla	13 841	30.8	36.5	1.33	2.00
7. Honda Civic	18 971	28.0	35.6	2.33	2.00
8. Opel Astra	18 319	28.9	35.5	1.66	2.00
9. Ford Escort	19 800	29.4	34.7	2.00	1.75
10. Renault 19	16 966	30.0	37.7	2.33	23.25
11. Peugeot 309 16V	17 537	28.3	34.8	2.33	2.75
12. Peugeot 309	15 980	29.6	35.3	2.33	2.75
13. Mitsubishi Galant	17 219	30.2	36.9	1.66	1.25
14. Renault 21	21 334	28.9	36.7	2.00	2.25

Illustrative example – Thierry's choice by DRSA (inductive learning of rules)

- 8 reference objects assigned by the DM to ordered classes: Good \succ Bad

No	$\{2,3\}$ name	$\{2,3\}$ price...	$\{2,3\}$ accel...	$\{2,3\}$ pick_up...	$\{2,3\}$ brakes...	$\{2,3\}$ road_h...	$\{1,2\}$ class ...
1	2	15335.000	30.200	41.600	2.000	2.500	Bad
2	7	18971.000	28.000	35.600	2.330	2.000	Good
3	9	19800.000	29.400	34.700	2.000	1.750	Bad
4	10	16966.000	30.000	37.700	2.330	3.250	Good
5	11	17537.000	28.300	34.800	2.330	2.750	Good
6	12	15980.000	29.600	35.300	2.330	2.750	Good
7	13	17219.000	30.200	36.900	1.660	1.250	Bad
8	14	21334.000	28.900	36.700	2.000	2.250	Bad

Console Reducts of ThierrysChoice_8bin.isf

Name	Cardinality	Content
Core	0	
Reducts	5	
Reduct 1	2	pick_up, road_h
Reduct 2	2	price, pick_up
Reduct 3	1	brakes
Reduct 4	2	accel, road_h
Reduct 5	2	price, accel

Illustrative example – Thierry's choice by DRSA (inductive learning of rules)

- All rules induced from binary classification of 8 reference objects

Number	Condition	Decision	Stren...	Relative Strength
1.	(price >= 19800)	class at most Bad	2	50,00 %
2.	(accel >= 30,2)	class at most Bad	2	50,00 %
3.	(pick_up >= 41,6)	class at most Bad	1	25,00 %
4.	(brakes <= 2)	class at most Bad	4	100,00 %

Minimal set of rules covering all examples:

{4, 10}

10.	(brakes >= 2,33)	class at least Good	4	100,00 %
11.	(road_h >= 2,75)	class at least Good	3	75,00 %
12.	(price <= 16966) & (accel <= 30)	class at least Good	2	50,00 %
13.	(price <= 18971) & (pick_up <= 35,6)	class at least Good	3	75,00 %
14.	(price <= 16966) & (pick_up <= 37,7)	class at least Good	2	50,00 %
15.	(pick_up <= 35,6) & (road_h >= 2)	class at least Good	3	75,00 %

Supporting Examples:

	name	price	accel	pick_up	brakes	road_h	class
1.	2	15335	30,2	41,6	2	2,5	Bad
3.	9	19800	29,4	34,7	2	1,75	Bad
7.	13	17219	30,2	36,9	1,66	1,25	Bad
8.	14	21334	28,9	36,7	2	2,25	Bad

Illustrative example – Thierry's choice by DRSA (inductive learning of rules)

- **Reclassification of 8 reference objects by rules with relative strength $\geq 75\%$**

	Orig. Decision	Dec. Type	Decision	Used Rules	name	price	accel	pick_up	brakes	road_h
1.	Bad	OK	Bad	1	2	15335	30,2	41,6	2	2,5
2.	Good	OK	Good	3	7	18971	28	35,6	2,33	2
3.	Bad	OK	Bad	2	9	19800	29,4	34,7	2	1,75
4.	Good	OK	Good	2	10	16966	30	37,7	2,33	3,25
5.	Good	OK	Good	4	11	17537	28,3	34,8	2,33	2,75
6.	Good	OK	Good	4	12	15980	29,6	35,3	2,33	2,75
7.	Bad	OK	Bad	2	13	17219	30,2	36,9	1,66	1,25
8.	Bad	OK	Bad	2	14	21334	28,9	36,7	2	2,25

Used Rules:

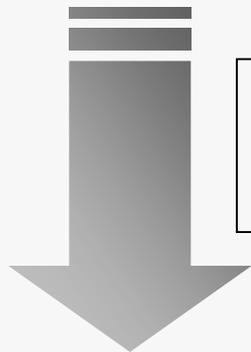
Number	Condition	Decision	Support	Relative Strength
10.	(brakes $\geq 2,33$)	class at least Good	4	1,0000
13.	(price ≤ 18971) & (pick_up $\leq 35,6$)	class at least Good	3	0,7500
15.	(pick_up $\leq 35,6$) & (road_h ≥ 2)	class at least Good	3	0,7500

Attractiveness measures
of monotonic decision rules

Why the rule attractiveness measures are important?

The **number of rules**

induced from datasets is usually quite large



- overwhelming for human comprehension
- many rules are irrelevant, weak or obvious (low practical value)

rule evaluation – **attractiveness (interestingness) measures**
(e.g. support, confidence, measures of Bayesian confirmation)

- each measure was proposed to capture different characteristics of rules
- the number of proposed measures is very large
- to make a proper choice of an **attractiveness measure** one has to know its **properties**

Rule induction

- Discovering rules from data is the domain of **inductive reasoning** (IR)
- **IR** uses data about a **sample** of larger reality to start inference
- $S = \langle U, A \rangle$ – **data table**, where U and A are finite, non-empty sets
 U – universe; A – set of attributes
- $S = \langle U, C, D \rangle$ – **decision table**, where C – set of **condition attributes**,
 D – set of **decision attributes**, $C \cap D = \emptyset$
- **Rule** induced from S is a **consequence relation**:

$E \rightarrow H$ read as **if E , then H**

where E is condition (evidence or premise)

and H is conclusion (hypothesis or decision)

formula built from attribute-value pairs (q, v)

Decision rules

- $\|E\|_S$ is the set of all objects from U , having property E in S
- $\|H\|_S$ is the set of all objects from U , having property H in S
- In the *Rough Set approach*, $\|H\|_S$ is:
 - C-lower approximation, or
 - C-upper approximation, or
 - C-boundary of a union of classes H in S ,giving thus a *certain*, or *possible*, or *approximate* rule $E \rightarrow H$, resp.
- Basic quantitative characteristics of rules

Measures characterizing decision rules in system $S = \langle U, C, D \rangle$

- *Support* of decision rule $E \rightarrow H$ in S :

$$\text{sup}_S(E, H) = \text{card}(\|E \wedge H\|_S)$$

- *Strength* of decision rule $E \rightarrow H$ in S :

$$\text{str}_S(E, H) = \frac{\text{card}(\|E \wedge H\|_S)}{\text{card}(U)}$$

- *Confidence factor* for decision rule $E \rightarrow H$ in S (Łukasiewicz, 1913):
(called also *certainty*)

$$\text{cer}_S(E, H) = \frac{\text{card}(\|E \wedge H\|_S)}{\text{card}(\|E\|_S)}$$

- *Coverage factor* for decision rule $E \rightarrow H$ in S :

$$\text{cov}_S(E, H) = \frac{\text{card}(\|E \wedge H\|_S)}{\text{card}(\|H\|_S)}$$

Measures characterizing decision rules in system $S = \langle U, C, D \rangle$

- Certainty and coverage factors refer to *Bayes' theorem*

$$cer_S(E, H) = Pr(H|E) = \frac{Pr(H \wedge E)}{Pr(E)}, \quad cov_S(E, H) = Pr(E|H) = \frac{Pr(E \wedge H)}{Pr(H)}$$

- Given a decision table S , the probability (*frequency*) is calculated as:

$$Pr(E) = \frac{card(\|E\|_S)}{card(U)}, \quad Pr(H) = \frac{card(\|H\|_S)}{card(U)}, \quad Pr(E \wedge H) = \frac{card(\|E \wedge H\|_S)}{card(U)}$$

- In fact, *without referring to prior and posterior probability*:

$$cer_S(E, H) \times card(\|E\|_S) = cov_S(E, H) \times card(\|H\|_S)$$

- What is the certainty factor for $E \rightarrow H$ is the coverage factor for $H \rightarrow E$
- This underlines a *directional character* of the statement *if E, then H* (e.g. „if x is a square, then x is a rectangle”)

Notation

- Notation corresponding to a 2x2 contingency table of rule's premise (E) and conclusion (H)

$a = \text{sup}(H, E)$ is the number of objects in U satisfying both the premise E and the conclusion H of a rule $\mathbf{E} \rightarrow \mathbf{H}$,

$$b = \text{sup}(H, \neg E),$$

$$c = \text{sup}(\neg H, E),$$

$$d = \text{sup}(\neg H, \neg E),$$

$$a + c = \text{sup}(E),$$

$$a + b = \text{sup}(H), \dots$$

	H	$\neg H$	Σ
E	a	c	$a + c$
$\neg E$	b	d	$b + d$
Σ	$a + b$	$c + d$	$a + b + c + d = n$

- a , b , c and d can also be regarded as **frequencies** that can be used to **estimate probabilities**, e.g. :

$$\text{Pr}(E) = (a + c)/n, \quad \text{Pr}(H) = (a + b)/n, \quad \text{Pr}(H|E) = a/(a + c), \quad \text{Pr}(E|H) = a/(a + b)$$

Property of confirmation

- Generally, measures possessing the property of confirmation (confirmation measures) are expected to obtain:
 - values > 0 when the premise of a rule confirms the conclusion
 - values $= 0$ when the rule's premise and conclusion are neutral to each other
 - values < 0 when the premise disconfirms the conclusion
- What does „premise confirms conclusion“ mean?
- How to quantify such confirmation?

Property of confirmation

- Four definitions are possible:
 - Bayesian confirmation: $Pr(H|E) > Pr(H)$
 - strong Bayesian confirmation: $Pr(H|E) > Pr(H|\neg E)$
 - likelihoodist confirmation: $Pr(E|H) > Pr(E)$
 - strong likelihoodist confirmation: $Pr(E|H) > Pr(E|\neg H)$
- An attractiveness measure $c(H, E)$, has the **property of Bayesian confirmation** if it satisfies the following condition:

$$c(H, E) \begin{cases} > 0 & \text{if } Pr(H|E) > Pr(H) \\ = 0 & \text{if } Pr(H|E) = Pr(H) \\ < 0 & \text{if } Pr(H|E) < Pr(H) \end{cases}$$

Property of confirmation

- **Bayesian approach** is related to the idea that E confirms H , if H is more frequent with E rather than with $\neg E$ (**perspective of rule's conclusion**)
- Bayesian confirmation: $Pr(H|E) > Pr(H)$
 - H is satisfied more often when E is satisfied [then, this frequency is $Pr(H|E)$], rather than generically [$Pr(H)$]
Assumption: $Pr(E) \neq 0$
- strong Bayesian confirmation: $Pr(H|E) > Pr(H|\neg E)$
 - H is satisfied more often, when E is satisfied, rather than when $\neg E$ is satisfied
Assumption: $Pr(E) \neq 0, Pr(\neg E) \neq 0$

Property of confirmation

- **Likelihoodist approach** is based on the idea that E confirms H , if E is more frequent with H rather than with $\neg H$ (**perspective of rule's premise**)
 - likelihoodist confirmation: $Pr(E|H) > Pr(E)$
 - strong likelihoodist confirmation: $Pr(E|H) > Pr(E|\neg H)$

Logical equivalence of four definitions of confirmation

- Bayesian confirmation: $a/(a+c) > (a+b)/n$
- strong Bayesian confirmation: $a/(a+c) > b/(b+d)$
- likelihoodist confirmation: $a/(a+b) > (a+c)/n$
- strong likelihoodist confirmation: $a/(a+b) > c/(c+d)$
- Obviously, the above definitions differ
 - What is the relationship between them?
 - Do they „switch“ (between +, zero and –) at the same time?
- All four definitions boil down to one general, always-defined formulation:

$$c(H, E) \begin{cases} > 0 & \text{if } ad-bc > 0 \\ = 0 & \text{if } ad-bc = 0 \\ < 0 & \text{if } ad-bc < 0 \end{cases}$$

Advantage: $ad-bc$ is never undefined, no denominator

Popular measures of Bayesian confirmation

There are many alternative, non-equivalent measures of Bayesian confirmation

$$D(H, E) = \frac{a}{a+c} - \frac{a+b}{a+b+c+d} \quad (\text{Carnap 1950/1962})$$

$$S(H, E) = \frac{a}{a+c} - \frac{b}{b+d} \quad (\text{Christensen 1999})$$

$$M(H, E) = \frac{a}{a+b} - \frac{a+c}{a+b+c+d} \quad (\text{Mortimer 1988})$$

$$N(H, E) = \frac{a}{a+b} - \frac{c}{c+d} \quad (\text{Nozick 1981})$$

$$C(H, E) = \frac{a}{a+b+c+d} - \frac{(a+c)(a+b)}{(a+b+c+d)^2} \quad (\text{Carnap 1950/1962})$$

$$R(H, E) = \frac{a(a+b+c+d)}{(a+c)(a+b)} - 1 \quad (\text{Finch 1960})$$

$$G(H, E) = 1 - \frac{c(a+b+c+d)}{(a+c)(c+d)} \quad (\text{Rips 2001})$$

$$F(H, E) = \frac{ad - bc}{ad + bc + 2ac} \quad (\text{Kemeny and Oppenheim 1952})$$

Popular measures of Bayesian confirmation

- To avoid that some measures are **undefined**, e.g., for

$$D(H, E) = Pr(H | E) - Pr(H) = \frac{a}{a+c} - \frac{a+b}{n} = \frac{ad-bc}{n(a+c)}$$

when $a+c=0$, we impose that **all measures take value 0 for $ad-bc = 0$**

Monotonicity property of the confirmation measures

- Desirable property of $c(E,H) = f(a,b,c,d)$: monotonicity (M)*

f should be non-decreasing with respect to a and d and non-increasing with respect to b and c

$$a = \sup_S(E,H), \quad b = \sup_S(\neg E,H), \quad c = \sup_S(E,\neg H), \quad d = \sup_S(\neg E,\neg H)$$

- Interpretation of (M): ($E \rightarrow H \equiv$ if x is a raven, then x is black)
 - a) the more black ravens we observe, the more credible becomes $E \rightarrow H$
 - b) the more black non-ravens we observe, the less credible becomes $E \rightarrow H$
 - c) the more non-black ravens we observe, the less credible becomes $E \rightarrow H$
 - d) the more non-black non-ravens we observe, the more credible becomes $E \rightarrow H$
- Example of $c(E,H)$ with property (M) (Kemeny & Oppenheim 1952, Good 1984, Heckerman 1988, Pearl 1988, Fitelson 2001)

$$F(H,E) = \frac{ad - bc}{ad + bc + 2ac}$$

*S.Greco, Z.Pawlak, R.Słowiński: Can Bayesian confirmation measures be useful for rough set decision rules? *Engineering Applications of Artificial Intelligence*, 17 (2004) no.4, 345-361

Confidence vs. confirmation F

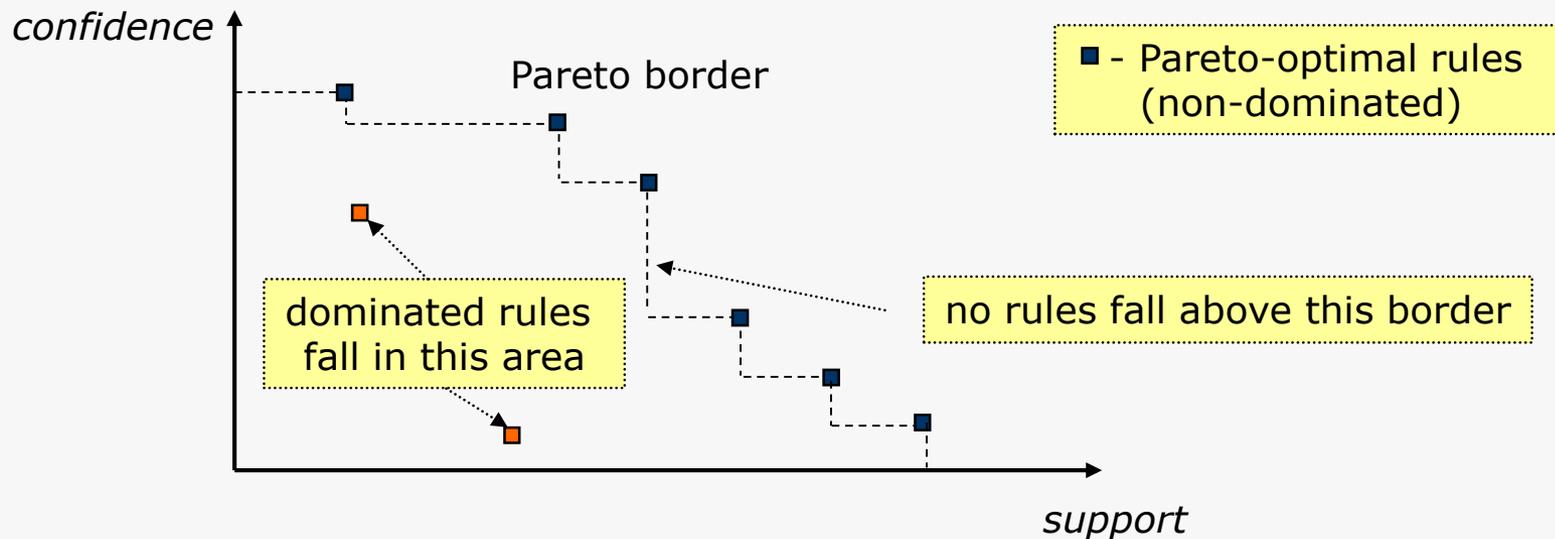
- Consider the possible result of rolling a die: 1,2,3,4,5,6, and let the conclusion H ="the result is 6"
 - E_1 ="the result is divisible by 3" $conf(H, E_1)=1/2, F(H, E_1)=2/3$
 - E_2 ="the result is divisible by 2" $conf(H, E_2)=1/3, F(H, E_2)=3/7$
 - E_3 ="the result is divisible by 1" $conf(H, E_3)=1/6, F(H, E_3)=0$
- The value of F has a more meaningful interpretation than $conf$
- In particular, in case of $E_3 \rightarrow H \equiv$ „in any case, the result is 6“, the „any case“ does not add any information which could confirm that the result is 6, thus $F(H, E_3)=0$

Confidence vs. confirmation F

- Consider the possible result of rolling a die: 1,2,3,4,5,6, and let the premise be kept fixed at E ="the result is divisible by 2"
 - H_1 ="the result is 6" $conf(H_1, E)=1/3$, $F(H_1, E)=3/7$
 - H_2 ="the result is *not* 6" $conf(H_2, E)=2/3$, $F(H_2, E)=-3/7$
- $E \rightarrow H_2$ has greater confidence than $E \rightarrow H_1$
- However, $E \rightarrow H_2$ is less interesting than $E \rightarrow H_1$ because E reduces the probability of conclusion H_2 from $5/6 = sup(H_2)$ to $2/3 = conf(H_2, E)$, while it augments the probability of conclusion H_1 from $1/6 = sup(H_1)$ to $1/3 = conf(H_1, E)$
- In consequence, premise E disconfirms conclusion H_2 , which is expressed by a negative value of $F(H_2, E)=-3/7$, and it confirms conclusion H_1 , which is expressed by a positive value of $F(H_1, E)=3/7$

Support-confidence Pareto border

- **Support-confidence Pareto border** is the set of **non-dominated**, Pareto-optimal rules with respect to both *rule support* and *confidence*

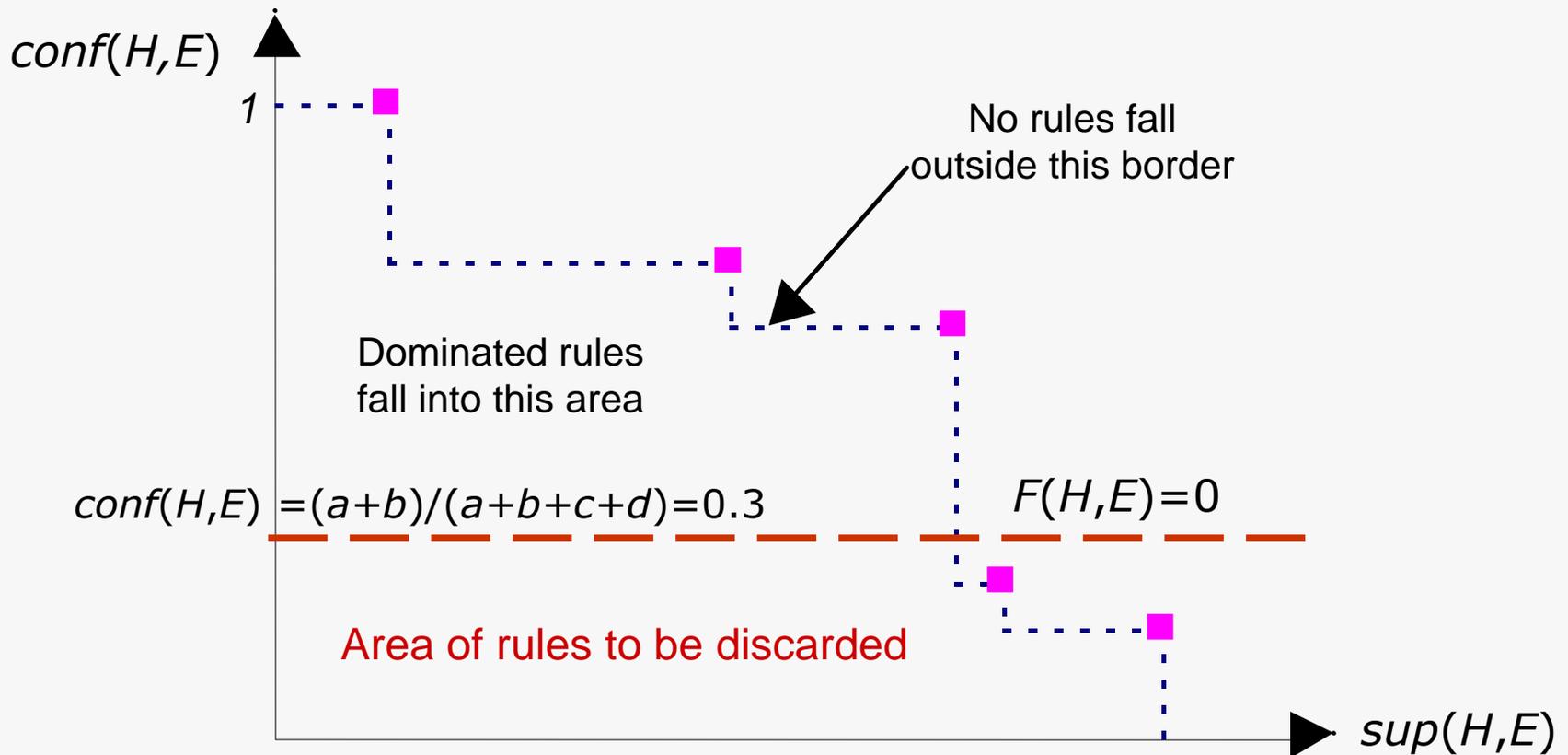


- Mining **the border** identifies rules optimal with respect to measures such as: *lift*, *gain*, *conviction*, *piatetsky-shapiro*,...

(Bayardo and Agrawal 1999)

Support-confidence vs. support-confirmation Pareto border

The set of rules located on the **support-confidence** Pareto border is exactly the same as on the **support- F** Pareto border (Greco, Brzezińska, Słowiński 2007)



The **support- F** Pareto border **is more meaningful** than the support-confidence Pareto border

Computational experiment: general info about the dataset

- Dataset "**CENSUS**" by B. Becker & R. Kohavi 1996
- **32 561 instances**
- 9 nominal attributes
 - workclass: Private, Local-gov, etc.;
 - education: Bachelors, Some-college, etc.;
 - marital-status: Married, Divorced, Never-married, et.;
 - occupation: Tech-support, Craft-repair, etc.;
 - relationship: Wife, Own-child, Husband, etc.;
 - race: White, Asian-Pac-Islander, etc.;
 - sex: Female, Male;
 - native-country: United-States, Cambodia, England, etc.;
 - salary: >50K, <=50K
- throughout the experiment, $sup(E \rightarrow H)$ denotes relative rule support [0,1]

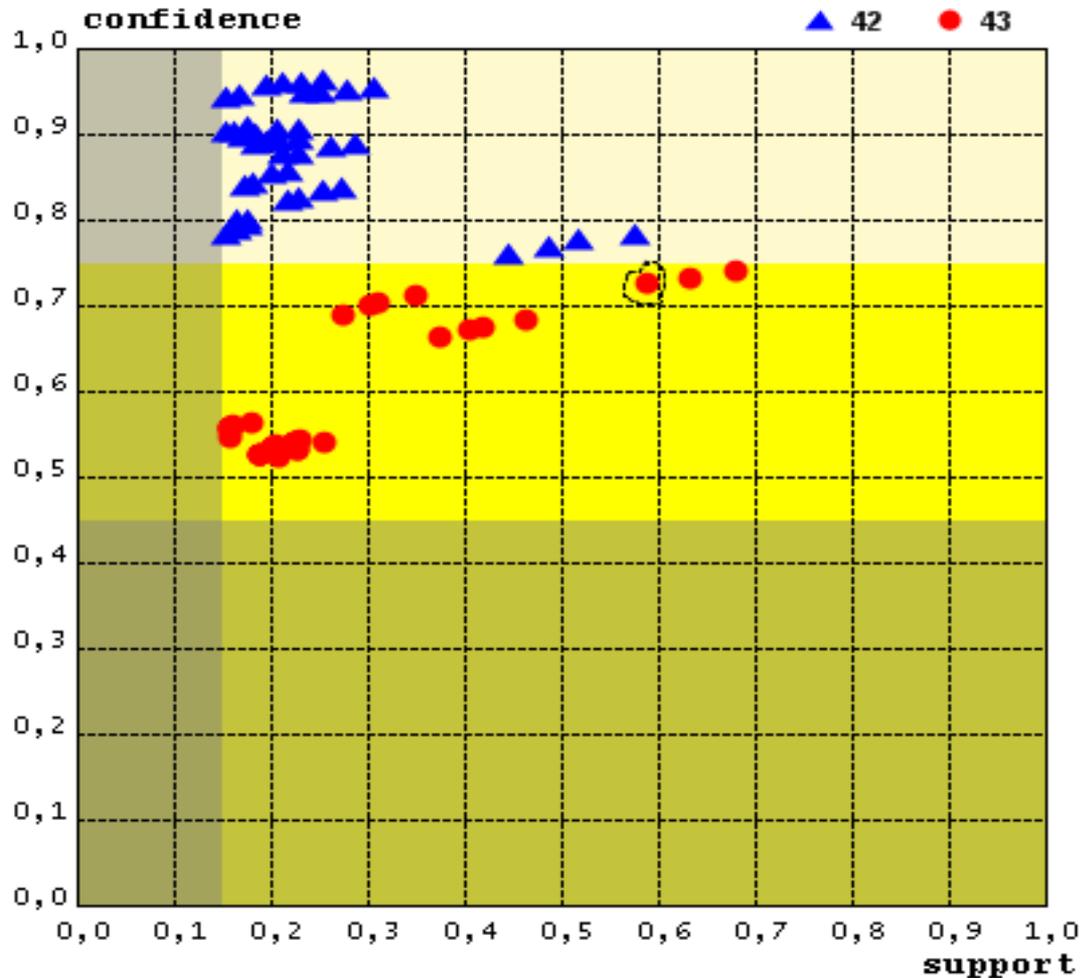
Support-confidence vs. support-confirmation Pareto border

- Example of „CENSUS“ dataset:
 - 9 attributes
 - 32.561 instances (objects)

Association rules

premise	conclusion	support	confid.	confirmation s	confirmation f
race is White	native-country is United-States	0,80	0,93	0,16	0,15
native-country is United-States	race is White	0,80	0,88	0,24	0,09
class is <=50K	native-country is United-States	0,68	0,91	-0,03	-0,04
native-country is United-States	class is <=50K	0,68	0,75	-0,06	-0,01
native-country is United-States	workclass is Private	0,67	0,73	-0,08	-0,02
workclass is Private	native-country is United-States	0,67	0,90	-0,03	-0,05
race is White	workclass is Private	0,63	0,74	-0,01	0,00
workclass is Private	race is White	0,63	0,86	0,00	0,00
race is White	class is <=50K	0,63	0,74	-0,11	-0,04
class is <=50K	race is White	0,63	0,84	-0,07	-0,07
native-country is United-States	sex is Male	0,62	0,68	0,00	0,00
sex is Male	native-country is United-States	0,62	0,91	0,00	0,00
race is White	sex is Male	0,60	0,70	0,14	0,05
sex is Male	race is White	0,60	0,89	0,08	0,11
workclass is Private	native-country is United-States and race is White	0,59	0,80	-0,03	-0,02
native-country is United-States and workclass is Private	race is White	0,59	0,88	0,06	0,09
race is White and workclass is Private	native-country is United-States	0,59	0,93	0,04	0,10

Support-confidence vs. support-confirmation Pareto border

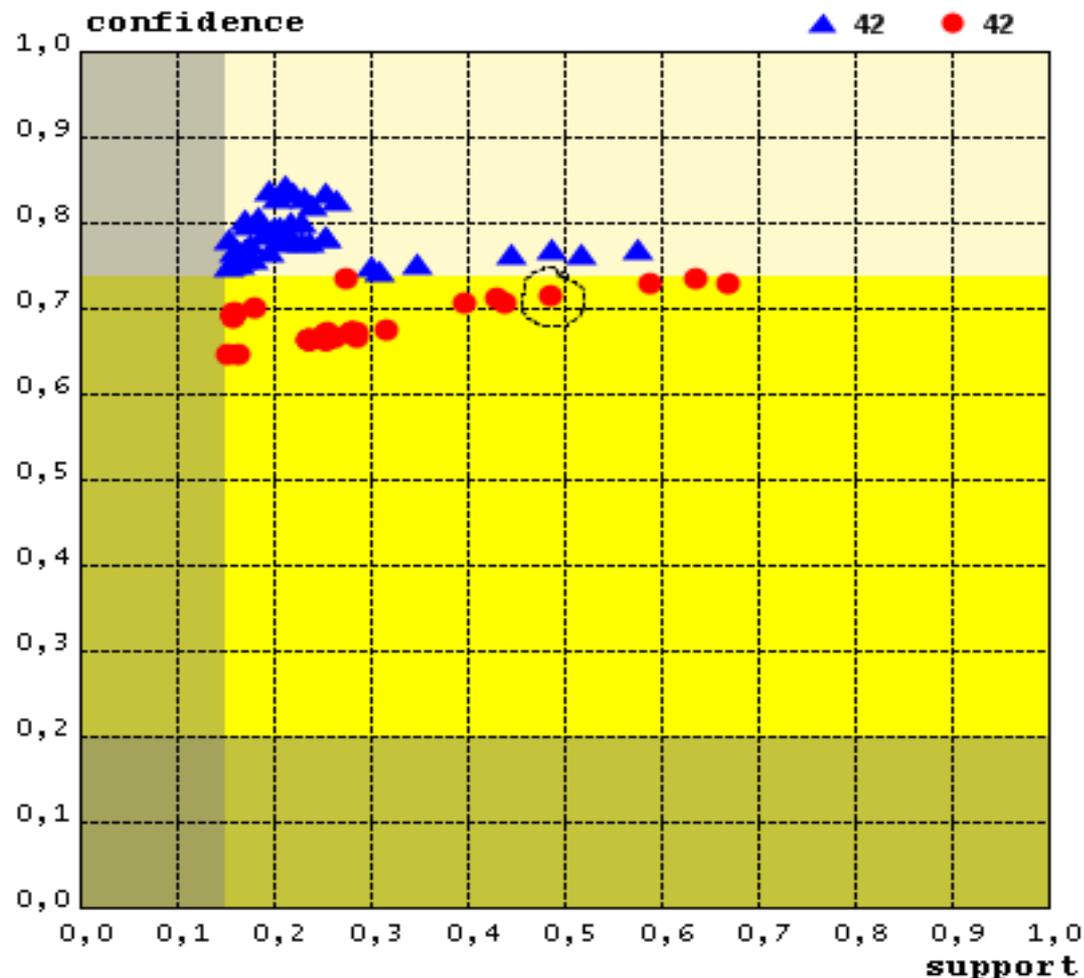


„CENSUS“ dataset
association rules
supp \geq 15%
conf \geq 45%

● confirmation \leq 0

premise	conclusion	supp	conf ▲	s	f
native-country is United-States and race is White	class is \leq 50K	0,59	0,73	-0,11	-0,05

Support-confidence vs. support-confirmation Pareto border

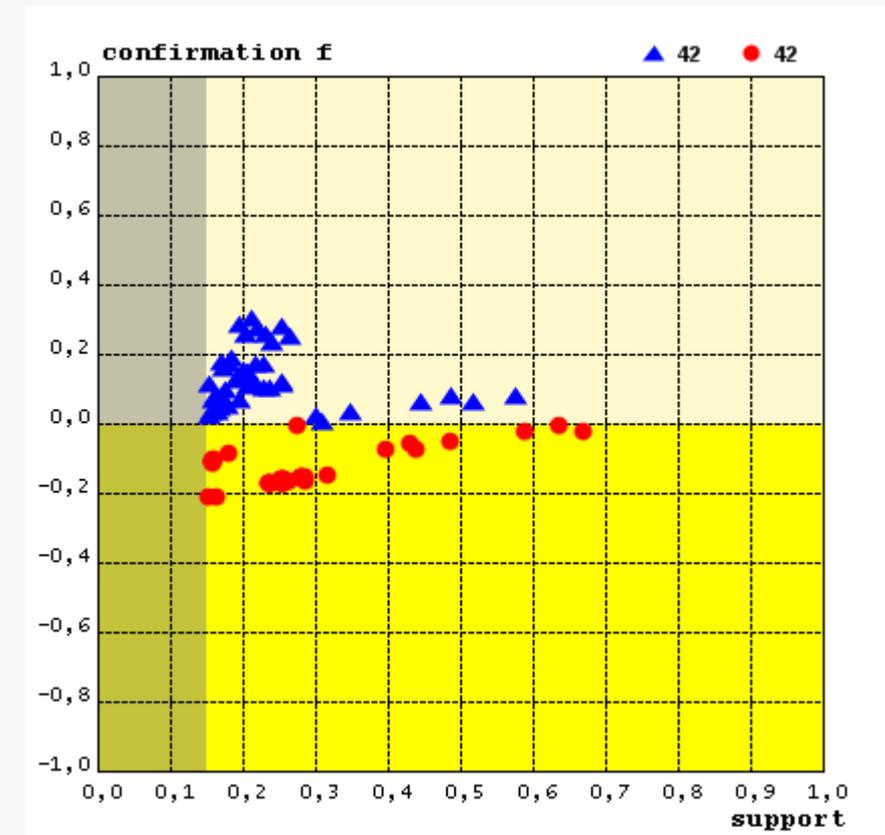
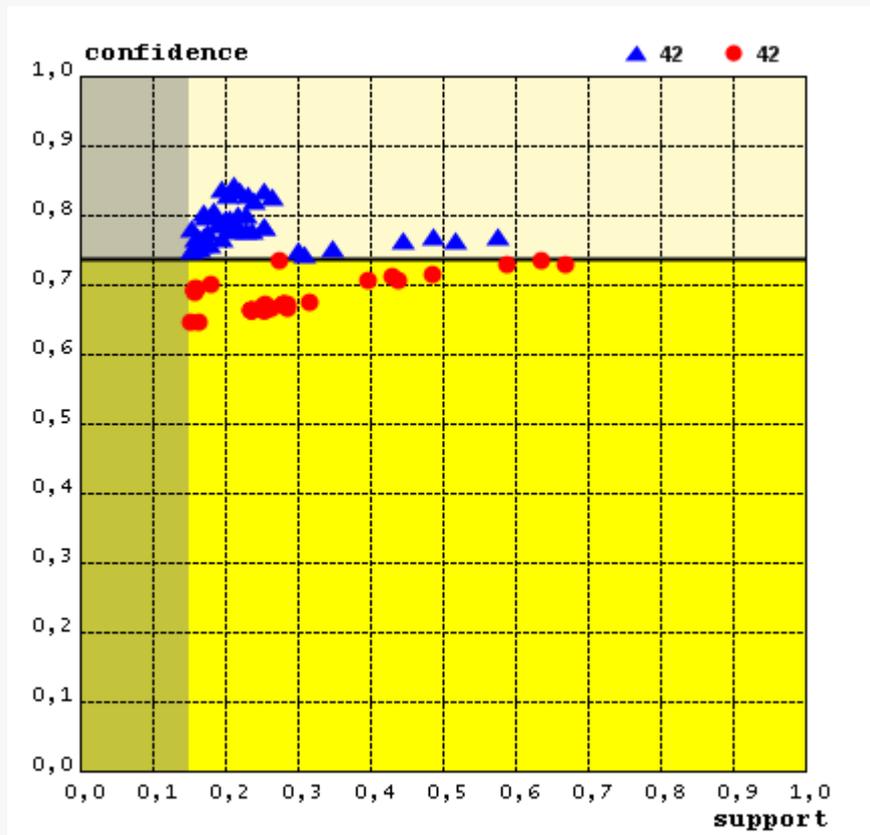


„CENSUS“ dataset
 association rules
 $\text{supp} \geq 15\%$
 $\text{conf} \geq 20\%$

● **confirmation ≤ 0**

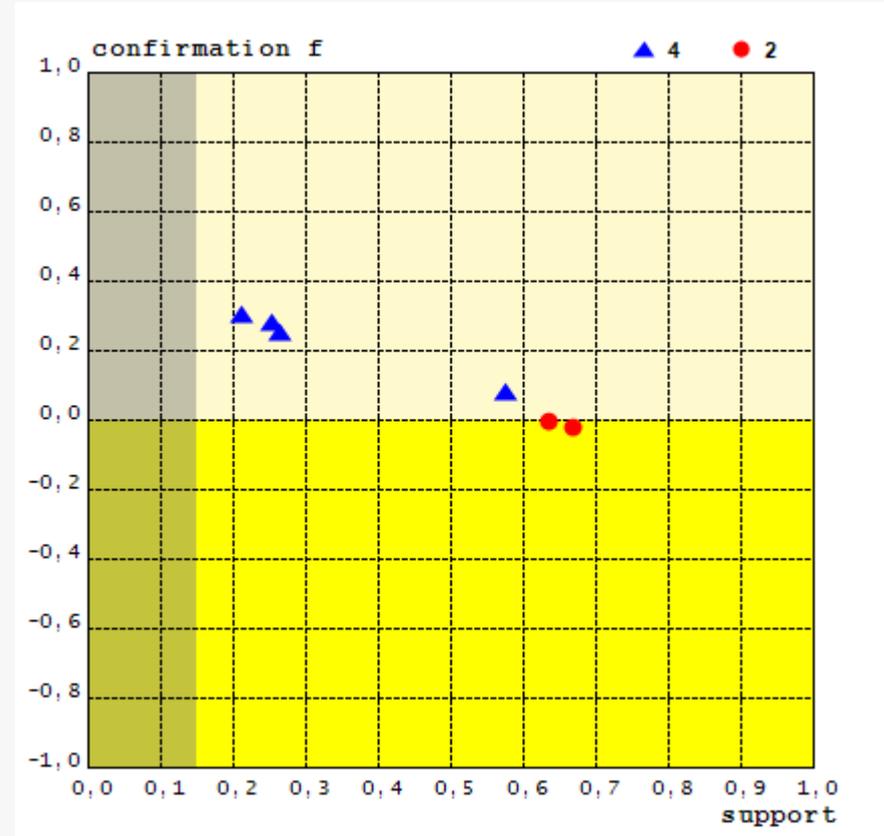
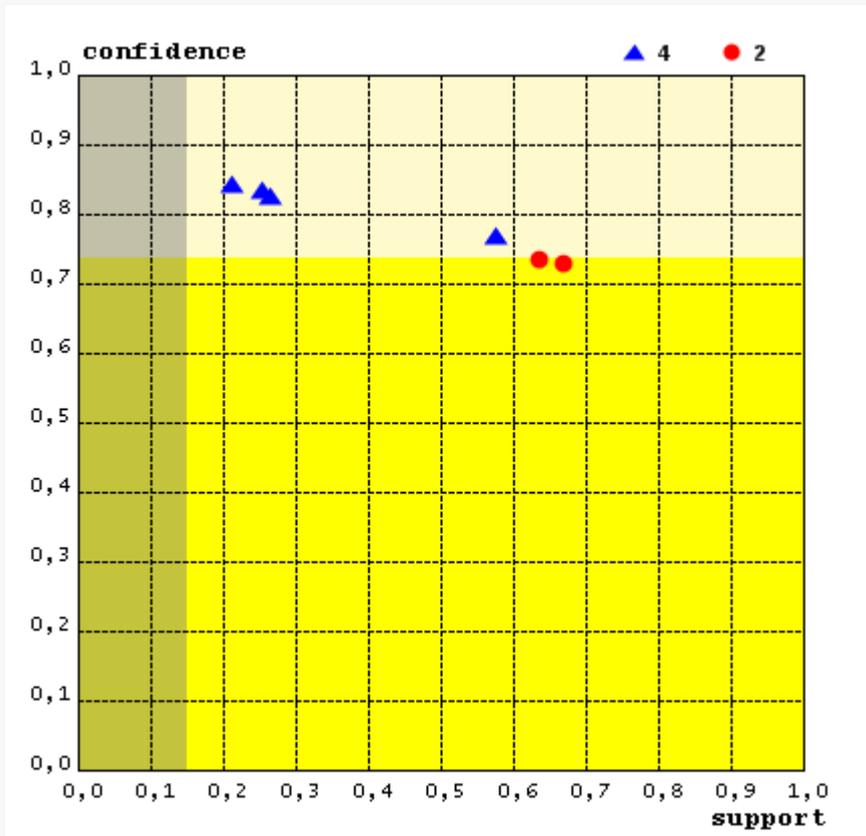
premise	conclusion	supp	conf	s	f
sex is Male	workclass is Private	0,49	0,72	-0,06	-0,05

Support-confidence vs. support-confirmation Pareto border



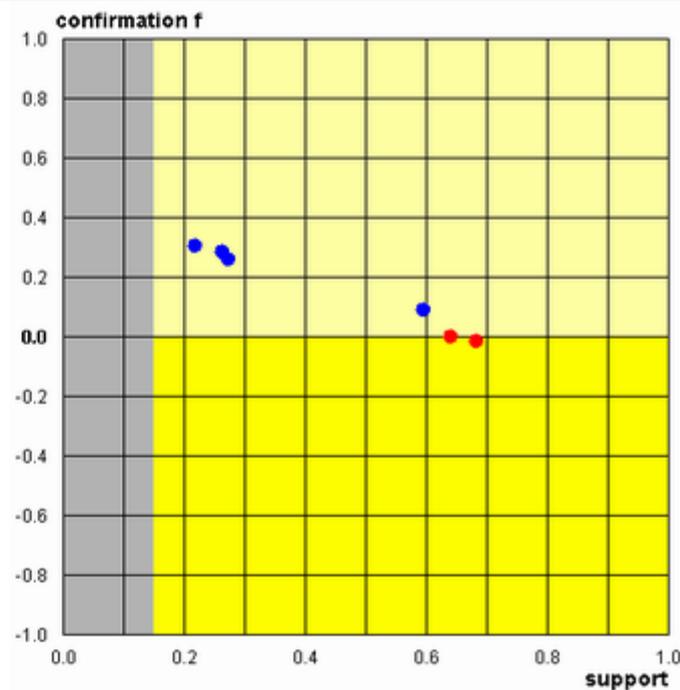
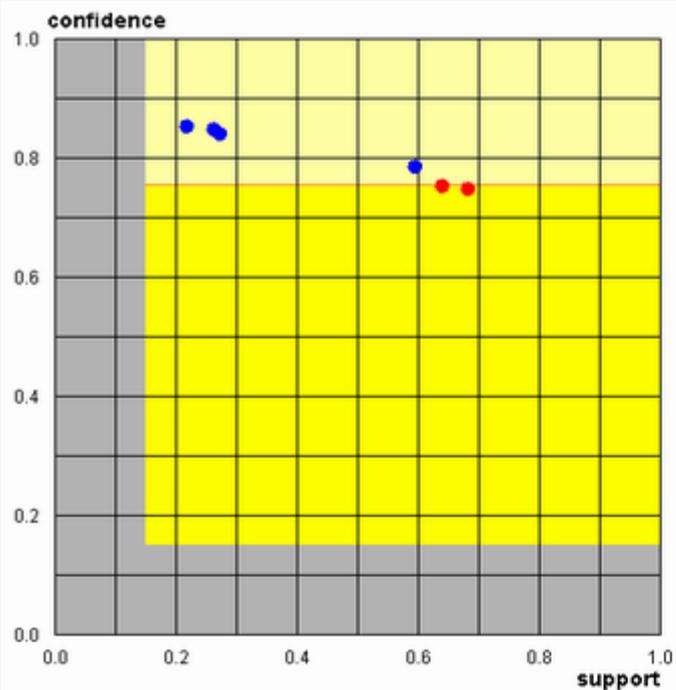
- indicates rules with negative confirmation
- the decision class constitutes over 70% of the whole dataset
- rules with high confidence can be disconfirming
- even some rules from the Pareto border need to be discarded

Support-confidence vs. support-confirmation Pareto border



- ● indicates rules with negative confirmation
- both Pareto borders contain the same rules

Support-confidence vs. support-confirmation Pareto border



premise	conclusion	supp	conf	s	f	a-supp
marital-status is Never-married and race is White and class is =50K	workclass is Private	0.22	0.85	0.13	0.30	0.04
marital-status is Never-married and class is =50K	workclass is Private	0.26	0.85	0.13	0.28	0.05
marital-status is Never-married	workclass is Private	0.27	0.84	0.13	0.26	0.05
race is White	workclass is Private	0.64	0.75	-0.01	-0.00	0.21
native-country is United-States	workclass is Private	0.68	0.75	-0.07	-0.02	0.23
class is =50K	workclass is Private	0.60	0.78	0.13	0.09	0.16

Z-measure

- It can be observed that:

$$D_{\text{norm}} = S_{\text{norm}} = M_{\text{norm}} = N_{\text{norm}} = C_{\text{norm}} = R_{\text{norm}} = G_{\text{norm}}$$

- Crupi et al. (2007) have therefore proposed to call them all by one name: **Z-measure**

$$Z(H, E) = \begin{cases} \frac{ad - bc}{(a + c)(c + d)} = G, & \text{in case of confirmation} \\ \frac{ad - bc}{(a + c)(a + b)} = R, & \text{in case of disconfirmation} \end{cases}$$

A-measure

- In particular, we propose the **likelihoodist** counterpart of the approach of Crupi et al. that transforms all of the considered measures into measure A :

$$A(H, E) = \begin{cases} \frac{ad - bc}{(a + b)(b + d)} & \text{in case of confirmation} \\ \frac{ad - bc}{(b + d)(c + d)} & \text{in case of disconfirmation} \end{cases}$$

S.Greco, R.Słowiński, I.Szczęch: Properties of rule interestingness measures and alternative approaches to normalization of measures. *Information Sciences*, 216 (2012) 1-16

Complementarity of measures Z and A

- Measures Z and A can be regarded as complementary since:
 - measure Z comes from Bayesian inspiration, while measure A comes from likelihoodist inspiration
 - measure Z can be expressed in terms of $Pr(H|E)$ and $Pr(H)$, while measure A in terms of $Pr(H|\neg E)$ and $Pr(H)$

Support – Anti-support Pareto border

- **Theorem:**

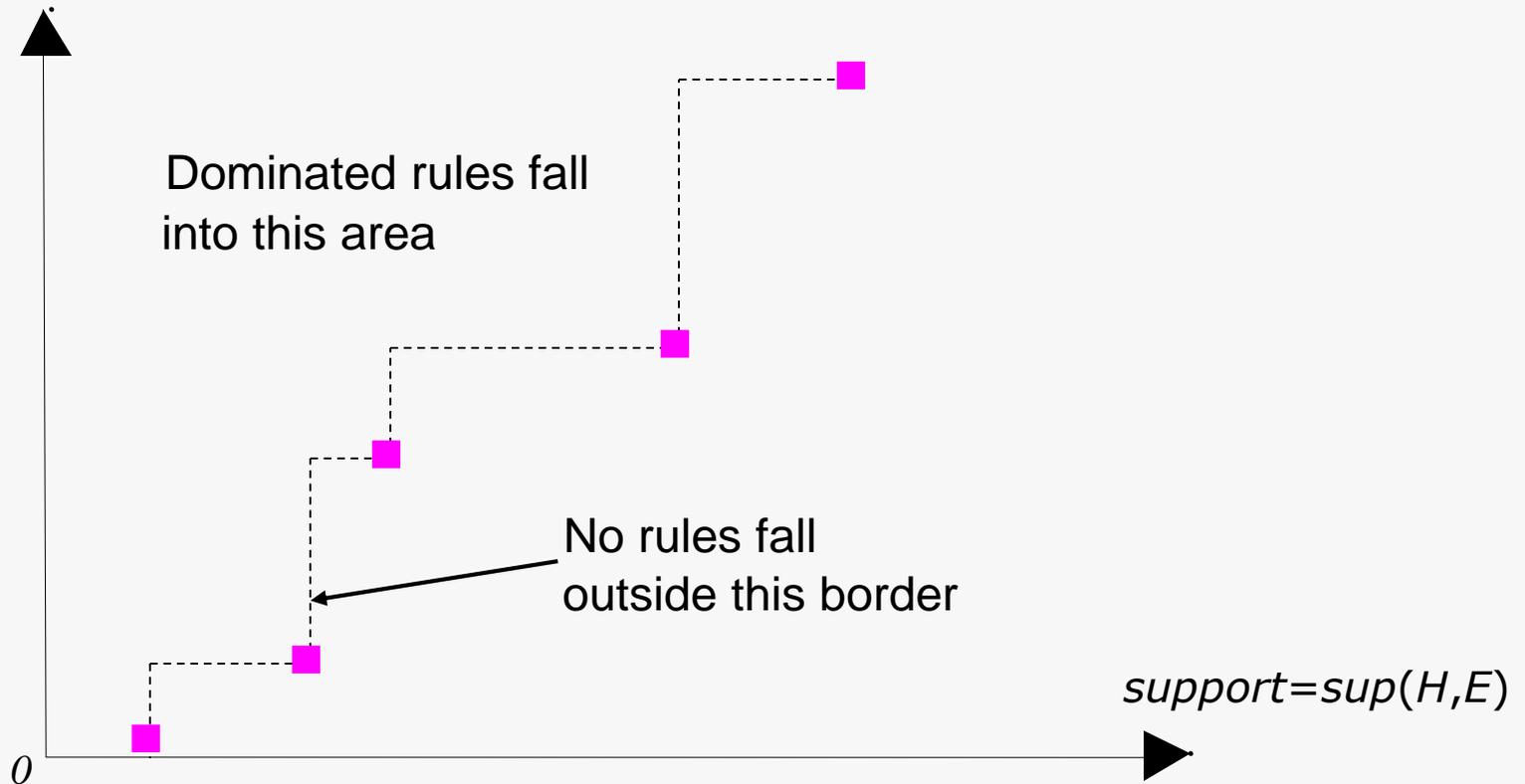
For a set of rules with the same conclusion H ,
due to (anti) monotonic dependencies between
measures of *support* and *anti-support* on one hand,
and any attractiveness measure with property **M** on the other hand,
**the best rules according to any measure with the property M
must reside on the *support – anti-support Pareto optimal border***

- The support – anti-support **Pareto border** is a **set of non-dominated** rules with respect to *support* and *anti-support*

S.Greco, R.Słowiński, I.Szczęch: Measures of rule interestingness in four perspectives of confirmation. *Information Sciences*, 346–347 (2016) 216–235.

Support – Anti-support Pareto border

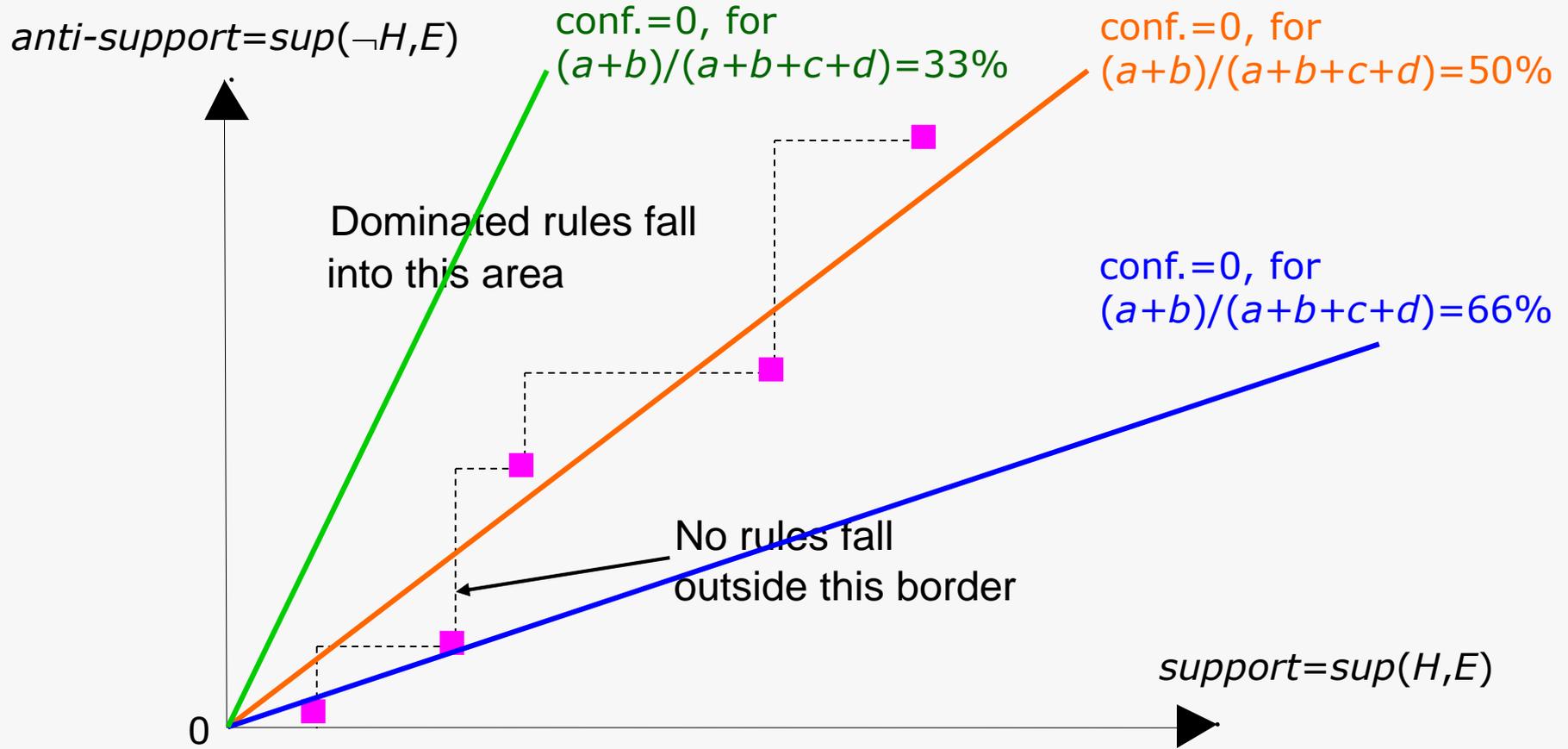
$$\text{anti-support} = \sup(\neg H, E)$$



The best rules according to any measure with the property M must reside on the *support – anti-support* Pareto border

Measures Z , A and c_{1-4} all satisfy property M

Support – Anti-support Pareto border

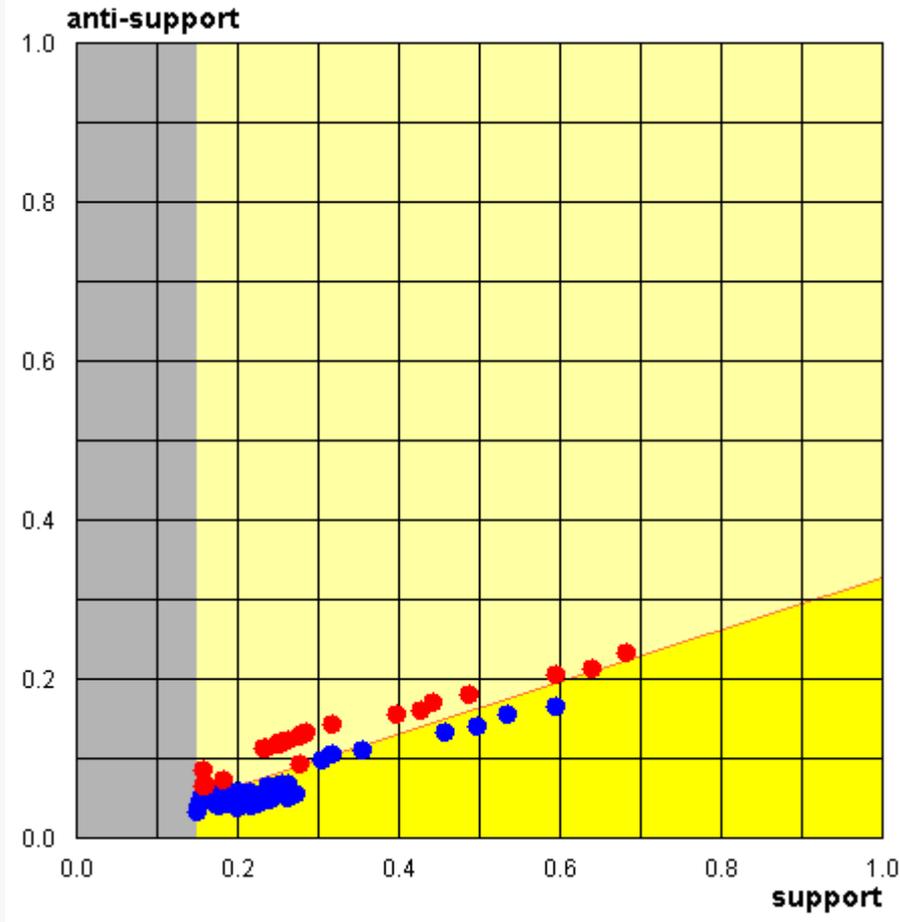


Rules lying above a linear function (line of $\text{conf.}=0$):

$$\text{sup}(\neg H, E) = \text{sup}(H, E) \left[\frac{a+b+c+d}{a+b} - 1 \right]$$

have a negative value of any confirmation measure

Support – anti-support (workclass=Private)

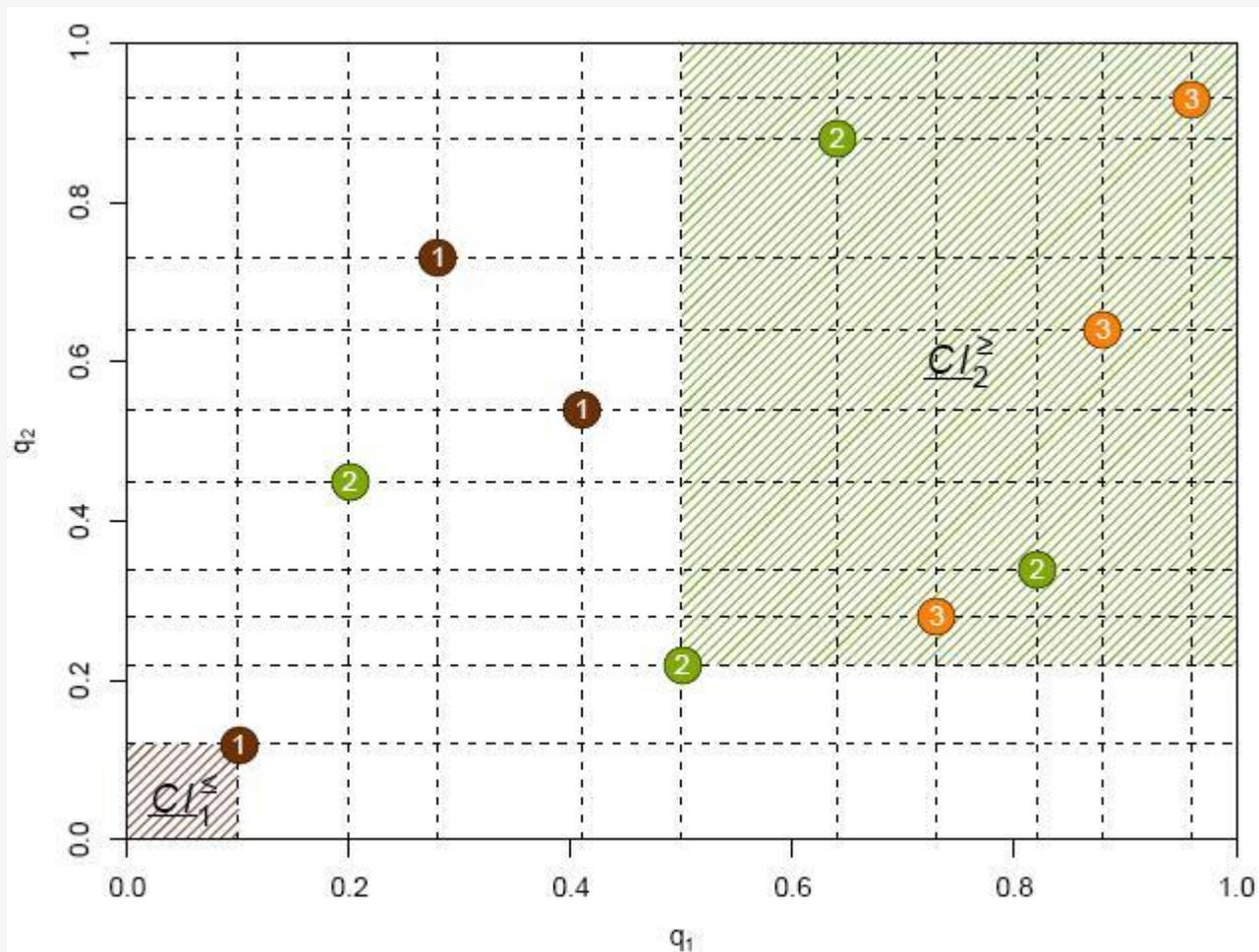


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Variable-consistency DRSA

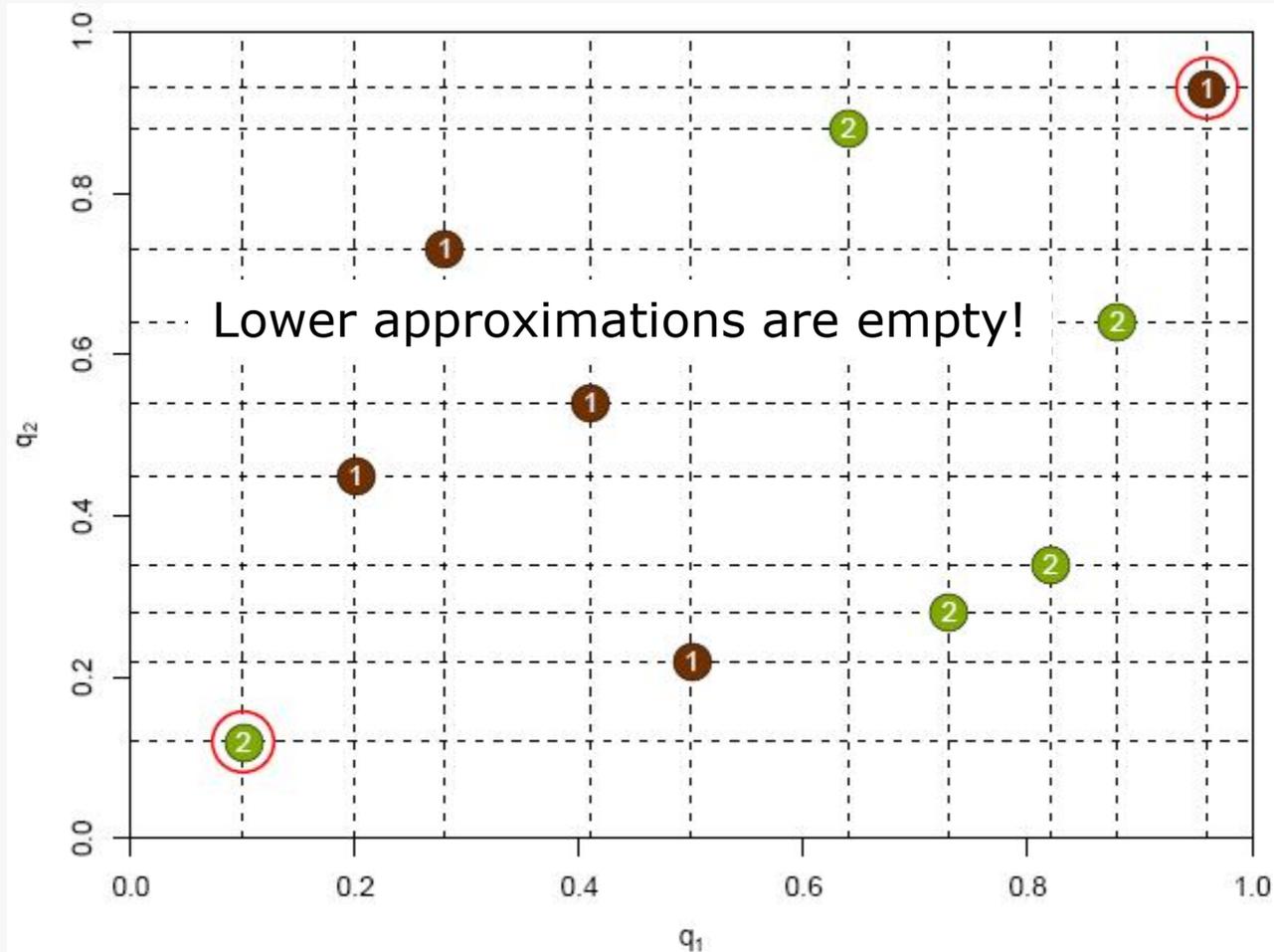
How to deal with „malicious” inconsistency in data?

- „Orthodox” lower approximations:



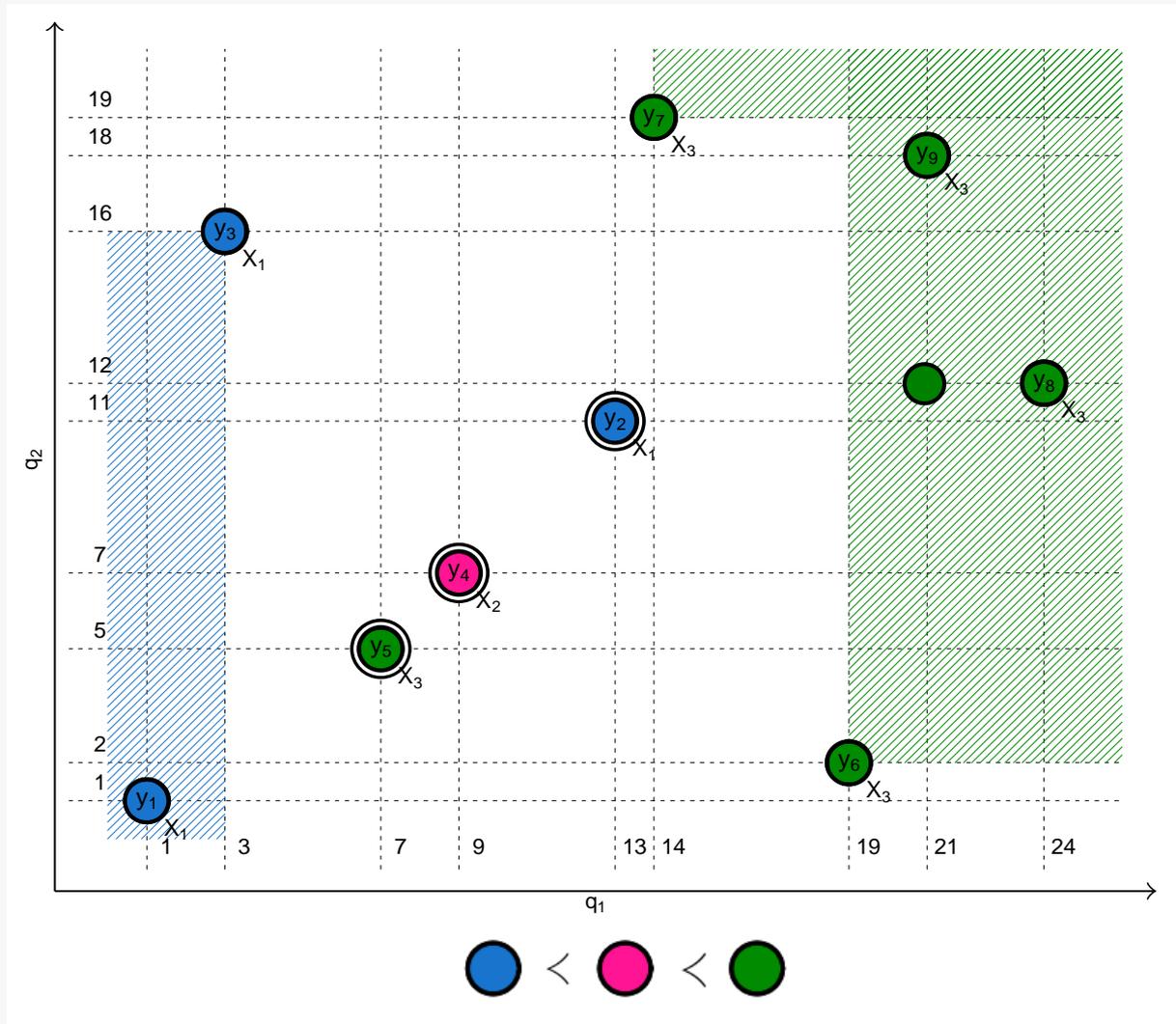
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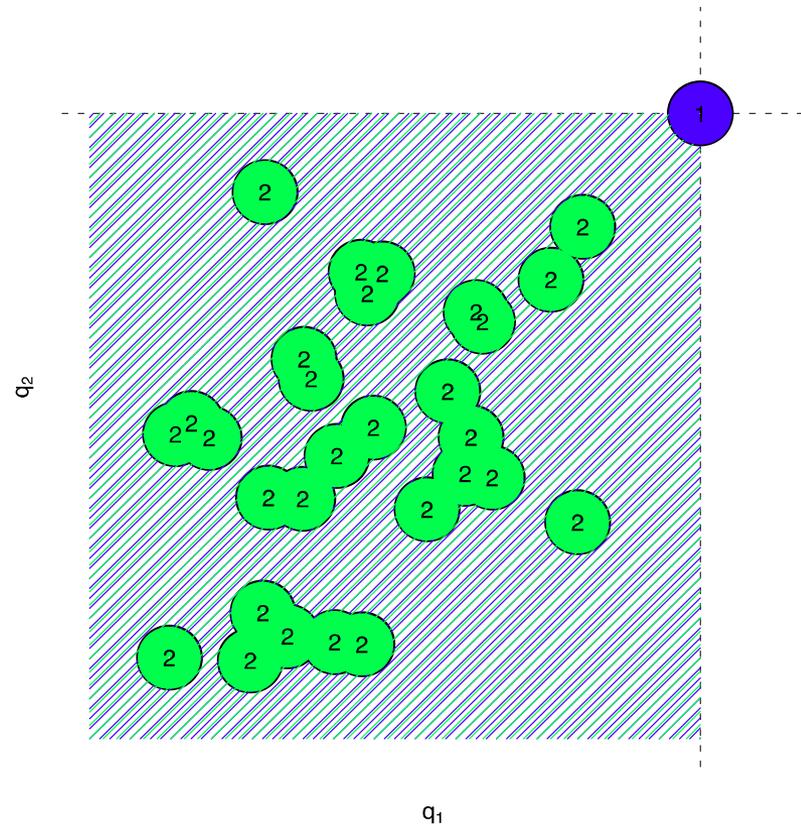
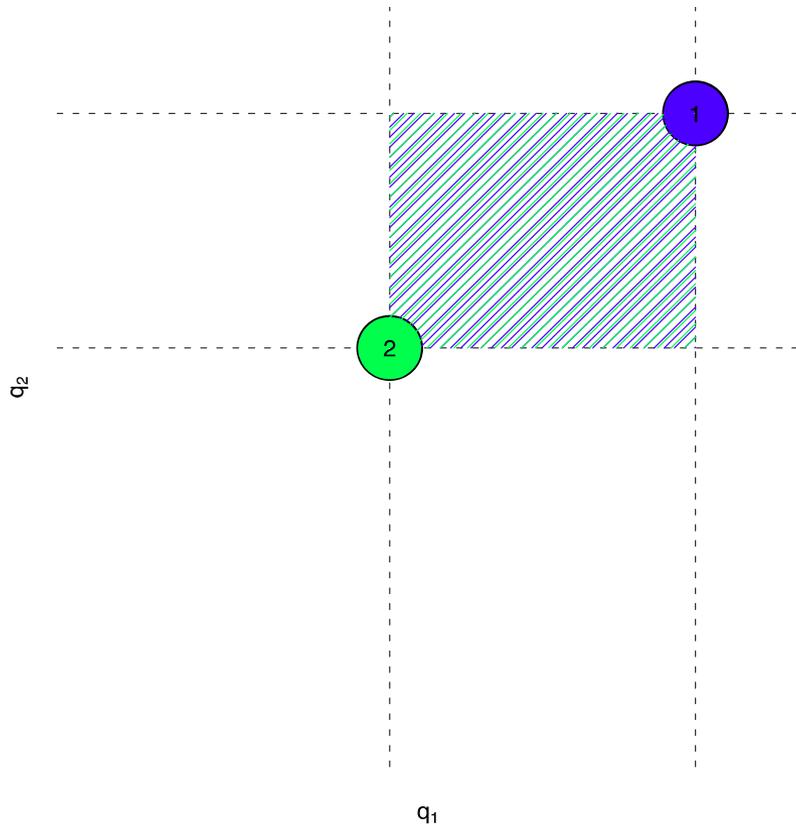


- One „malicious” object is enough to empty the lower approximation

Another example of inconsistent data



How to quantify inconsistency?



Consistency measures in VC-DRSA

- **Consistency measures** $f(x)$ and $g(x)$ are used to control consistency of object x included in the extended P -lower approximation

- **gain-type** consistency measures:

$$\underline{P}^{\alpha_{Cl_t^{\geq}}} (Cl_t^{\geq}) = \left\{ x \in Cl_t^{\geq} : f_{Cl_t^{\geq}}^P (x) \geq \alpha_{Cl_t^{\geq}} \right\}$$

$$\underline{P}^{\alpha_{Cl_t^{\leq}}} (Cl_t^{\leq}) = \left\{ x \in Cl_t^{\leq} : f_{Cl_t^{\leq}}^P (x) \geq \alpha_{Cl_t^{\leq}} \right\}$$

- **cost-type** consistency measures:

$$\underline{P}^{\beta_{Cl_t^{\geq}}} (Cl_t^{\geq}) = \left\{ x \in Cl_t^{\geq} : g_{Cl_t^{\geq}}^P (x) \leq \beta_{Cl_t^{\geq}} \right\}$$

$$\underline{P}^{\beta_{Cl_t^{\leq}}} (Cl_t^{\leq}) = \left\{ x \in Cl_t^{\leq} : g_{Cl_t^{\leq}}^P (x) \leq \beta_{Cl_t^{\leq}} \right\}$$

- Consistency measures are also used to control the consistency of induced decision rules.

Monotonicity properties of consistency measures

- Consistency measure $f(x)$ (or $g(x)$) is monotonic iff it does not decrease (or does not increase) when:
 - (m1) the set of attributes is growing,
 - (m2) the set of objects is growing,
 - (m3) the union of ordered classes is growing,
 - (m4) x improves its evaluation, so that it dominates more objects.

J. Błaszczyszki, S. Greco, R. Słowiński, M. Szeląg: Monotonic variable consistency rough set approaches. *Int. J. of Approximate Reasoning*, 50 (2009) no.7, 979–999

S. Greco, B. Matarazzo, R. Słowiński: Parameterized rough set model using rough membership and Bayesian confirmation measures. *Int. J. of Approximate Reasoning*, 49 (2008) 285–300

Consistency measures

- Gain-type consistency measure:
rough membership, μ -consistency measure

$$\mu_{Cl_t^{\geq}}^P(x) = \frac{|D_P^+(x) \cap Cl_t^{\geq}|}{|D_P^+(x)|}$$

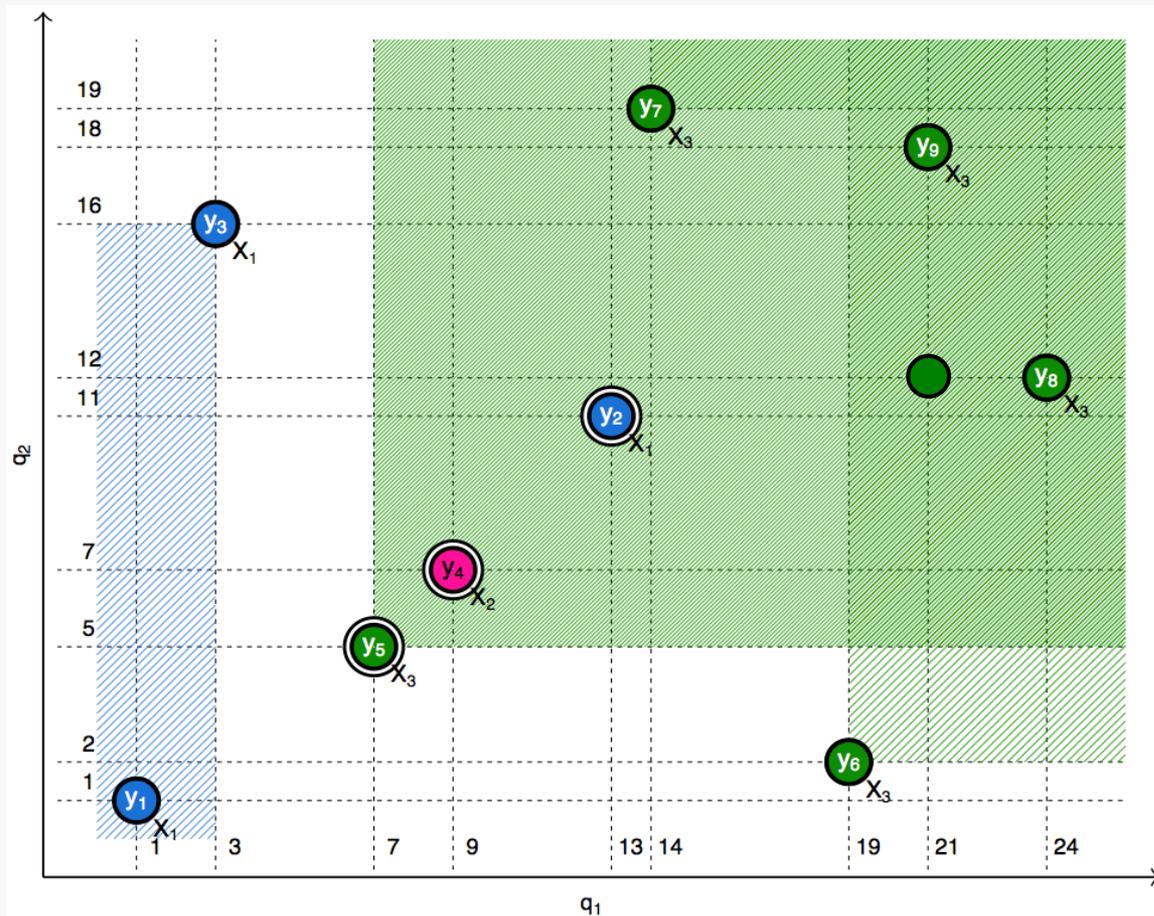
$$\mu_{Cl_t^{\leq}}^P(x) = \frac{|D_P^-(x) \cap Cl_t^{\leq}|}{|D_P^-(x)|}$$

- It can be interpreted as an estimate of conditional probability:

$$Pr(y \in Cl_t^{\geq} \mid y \in D_P^+(x))$$

$$Pr(y \in Cl_t^{\leq} \mid y \in D_P^-(x))$$

Coming back to our example...



$$\mu_{X_3 \geq}^P(y_5) = \frac{5}{7}$$

Consistency measures

- Cost-type consistency measure:
 ε -consistency measure

$$\varepsilon_{Cl_t^{\geq}}^P(x) = \frac{|D_p^+(x) \cap \neg Cl_t^{\geq}|}{|\neg Cl_t^{\geq}|}$$

$$\varepsilon_{Cl_t^{\leq}}^P(x) = \frac{|D_p^-(x) \cap \neg Cl_t^{\leq}|}{|\neg Cl_t^{\leq}|}$$

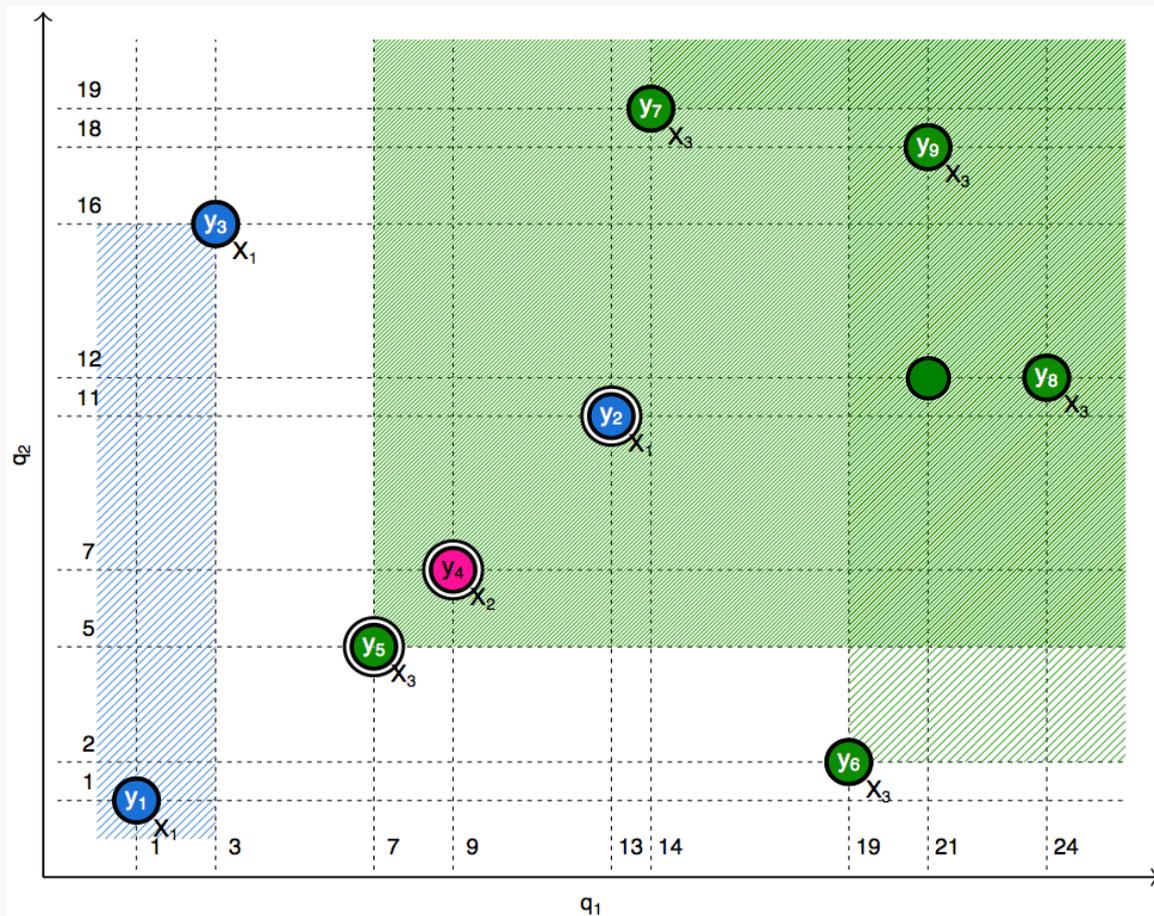
- It can be interpreted as an estimate of conditional probability:

$$Pr(y \in D_p^+(x) | y \in \neg Cl_t^{\geq})$$

$$Pr(y \in D_p^-(x) | y \in \neg Cl_t^{\leq})$$

- The intuition behind ε -consistency measure : it says how far the implications $y \in D_p^+(x) \Rightarrow y \in Cl_t^{\geq}$, $y \in D_p^-(x) \Rightarrow y \in Cl_t^{\leq}$ are **not** supported by the data

Coming back to our example...



$$\varepsilon_{X_3 \geq}^P(y_5) = \frac{2}{4}$$

Monotonicity properties of consistency measures

consistency measure	(m1)	(m2)	(m3)	(m4)
μ (rough)	no	yes	yes	no
μ'	no	yes	yes	yes
B (Bayesian)	no	no	no	no
β	no	yes	yes	yes
ε	yes	yes	no	yes
ε^*	yes	yes	yes	yes
ε'	yes	yes	yes	yes
$\bar{\mu}$	yes	yes	yes	yes

Induction of monotonic decision rules

- Rules are induced by **VC-DomLEM** algorithm
 - VC-DomLEM is a **sequential covering algorithm** that induces strong rules characterised by **required level of consistency**
 - Selection of the elementary conditions is based on two factors:
 - **consistency** of the constructed rule
 - **support** of the constructed rule
 - The result is a **minimal set of rules** that covers all objects from the P -lower approximations
 - Computational complexity of VC-DomLEM: $O(n^2m^2)$
where n =number of objects; m =number of attributes

J. Błaszczyszński, R. Słowiński, M. Szelać: Sequential covering rule induction algorithm for variable consistency rough set approaches. *Information Sciences*, 181 (2011) 987-1002

Stochastic DRSA

Probabilistic model for DRSA

- To each object $x_i \in U$, we assign a **probability that x_i belongs to „class“ at least t** :

$$\Pr(y_i \geq t | x_i)$$

where y_i is classification decision for x_i , $t=1, \dots, m$

- All axioms of probability are supposed to be satisfied, e.g.:

$$\Pr(y_i \geq 1 | x_i) = 1$$

$$\Pr(y_i \leq t | x_i) = 1 - \Pr(y_i \geq t + 1 | x_i)$$

$$\Pr(y_i \geq t | x_i) \leq \Pr(y_i \geq t' | x_i) \quad \text{for } t \geq t'$$

- These **probabilities are unknown**, but can be estimated from data

Probabilistic model for DRSA

- For each class $t=2,\dots,m$, we have a binary problem of estimating the conditional probabilities $\Pr(y_i \geq t | x_i)$ and $\Pr(y_i < t | x_i)$
- It is solved by **isotonic regression**
 - let $y_{it}=1$ if $y_i \geq t$, otherwise $y_{it}=0$
 - let p_{it} be the estimate of probability $\Pr(y_i \geq t | x_i)$
- Choose estimates p_{it}^* which minimize the squared distance to class assignment y_{it} , subject to the monotonicity constraints:

$$\text{Min: } \sum_{i=1}^{|U|} (y_{it} - p_{it})^2$$

$$\text{s.t. } x_i \succeq x_j \rightarrow p_{it} \geq p_{jt} \quad \text{for all } x_i, x_j \in U$$

Probabilistic model for DRSA

- Estimates obtained from isotonic regression **satisfy all axioms of probability**
- Although estimates of $\Pr(y_i \geq t | x_i)$ and $\Pr(y_i < t | x_i)$, respectively p^*_{it} and $1 - p^*_{it}$, are obtained in m separate problems ($t=2, \dots, m$), they are **consistent with respect to t** :

$$p^*_{it} \leq p^*_{it'} \quad \text{for } t \geq t'$$

(in analogy to $\Pr(y_i \geq t | x_i) \leq \Pr(y_i \geq t' | x_i)$ for $t \geq t'$)

- Solving isotonic regression requires $O(|U|^4)$ time, but a good heuristic needs only $O(|U|^2)$

Probabilistic model for DRSA

- Stochastic α -lower approximations for classes „at least t “, „at most $t-1$ “:

$$\underline{P}(CI_t^{\geq}) = \{x_i \in U: \Pr(y_i \geq t | x_i) \geq \alpha\}$$

$$\underline{P}(CI_{t-1}^{\leq}) = \{x_i \in U: \Pr(y_i < t | x_i) \geq \alpha\}$$

- We replace the unknown probabilities $\Pr(y_i \geq t | x_i)$ and $\Pr(y_i < t | x_i)$ by their estimates p_{it}^* obtained from isotonic regression:

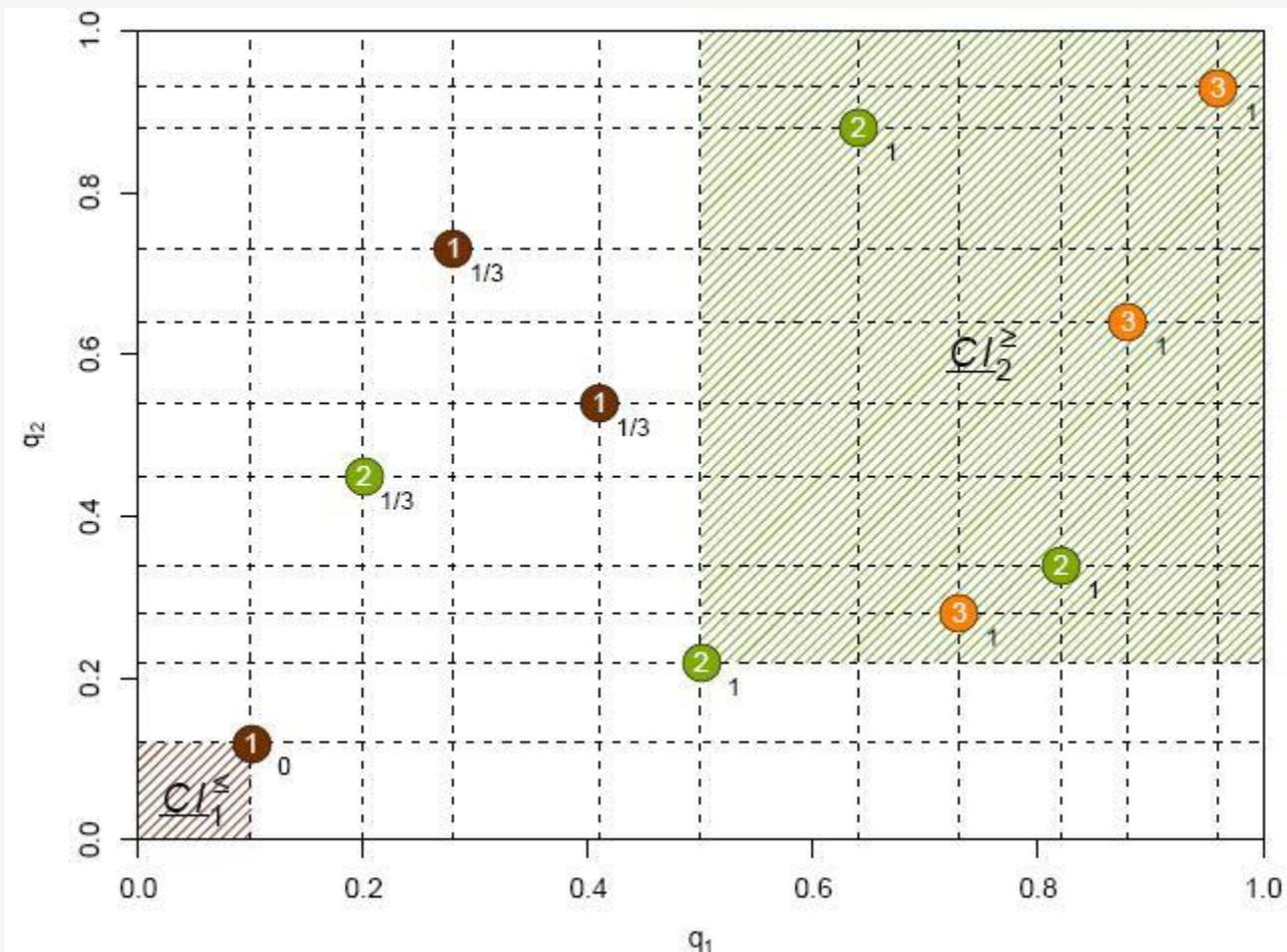
$$\underline{P}(CI_t^{\geq}) = \{x_i \in U: p_{it}^* \geq \alpha\}$$

$$\underline{P}(CI_{t-1}^{\leq}) = \{x_i \in U: p_{it}^* \geq 1 - \alpha\}$$

- Parameter $\alpha \in [0.5, 1]$ controls the allowed amount of inconsistency
- For $\alpha = 1$, stochastic lower approximations boil down to the classical lower approximations

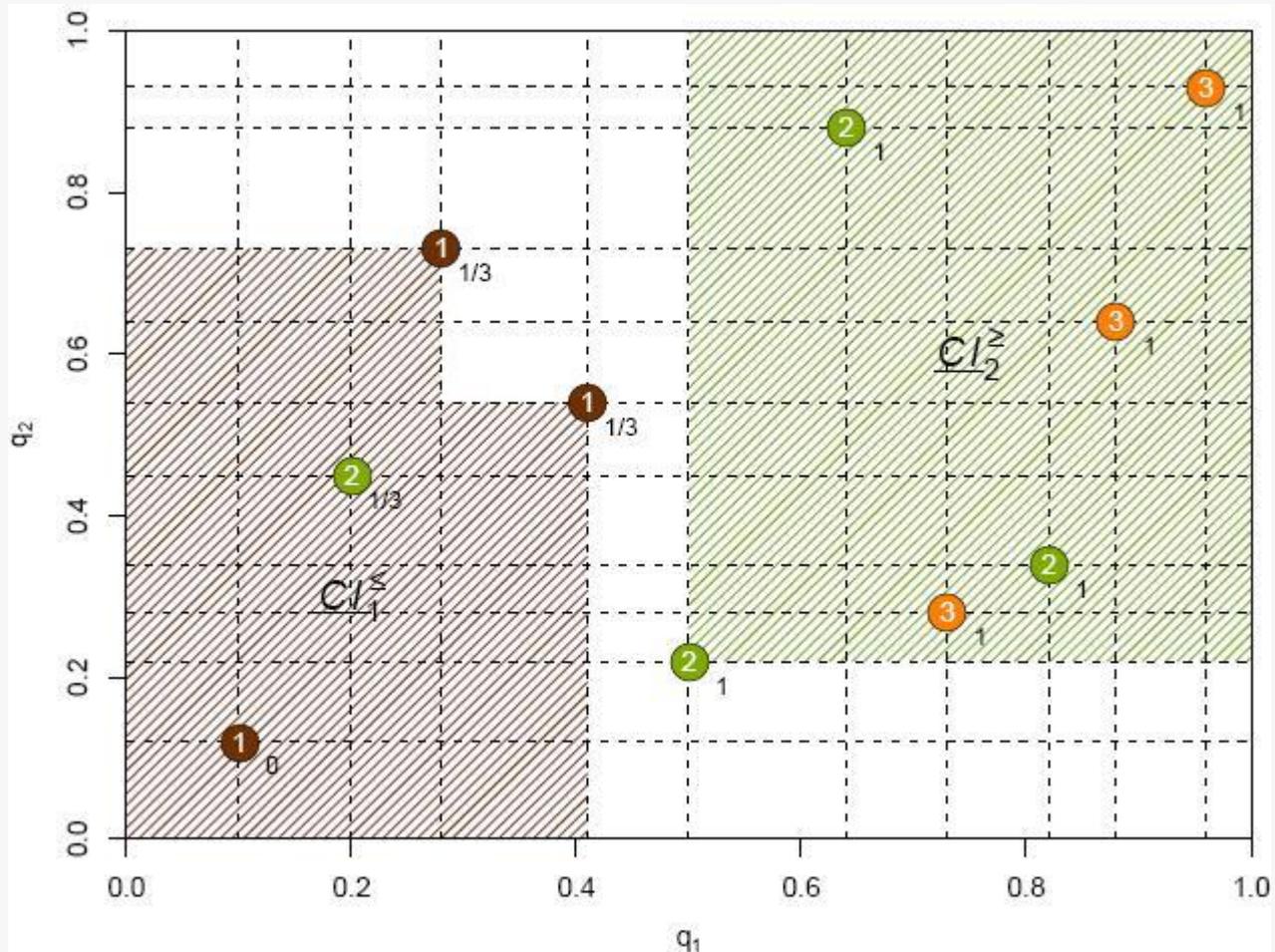
Probabilistic model for DRSA

$\alpha=1$



Probabilistic model for DRSA

$\alpha=0.6$



Probabilistic model for DRSA

- Do we really need to know the probability estimates to obtain stochastic lower approximations ?

$$\underline{P}(CI_t^{\geq}) = \{x_i \in U: p_{it}^* \geq \alpha\}$$

$$\underline{P}(CI_{t-1}^{\leq}) = \{x_i \in U: p_{it}^* \geq 1 - \alpha\}$$

- In fact, we only need to know for which object x_i , $p_{it}^* \geq \alpha$ and for which x_i , $p_{it}^* \leq 1 - \alpha$
- This can be found via linear programming (reassignment problem)

W.Kotłowski, K.Dembczyński, S.Greco, R.Słowiński: Stochastic dominance-based rough set model for ordinal classification. *Information Sciences*, 178 (2008) 4019-4037

Probabilistic model for DRSA

- Reassignment problem
 - let $y_{it}=1$ if $y_i \geq t$, otherwise $y_{it}=0$
 - let d_{it} be the decision variable (new class assignment)
- Reassign objects from „class“ y_{it} to „class“ d_{it}^* , such that new class assignments are consistent w.r.t. dominance principle:

$$\text{Min: } \sum_{i=1}^{|U|} w_{y_{it}} |y_{it} - d_{it}|$$

$$\text{s.t. } x_i \succeq x_j \rightarrow d_{it} \geq d_{jt} \text{ for all } x_i, x_j \in U$$

- Due to unimodularity of the constraint matrix, the optimal solution of this LP problem is always integer $d_{it}^* \in \{0, 1\}$
- For all objects consistent w.r.t. dominance principle, $d_{it}^* = y_{it}$

Probabilistic model for DRSA

- Reassignment problem

$$\text{Min: } \sum_{i=1}^{|U|} w_{y_{it}} |y_{it} - d_{it}|$$

$$\text{s.t. } x_i \succeq x_j \rightarrow d_{it} \geq d_{jt} \text{ for all } x_i, x_j \in U$$

- If we set $w_0 = \alpha$ and $w_1 = 1 - \alpha$, then the optimal solution satisfies:

$$d_{it}^* = 1 \Leftrightarrow p_{it}^* \geq \alpha$$

- If we set $w_0 = 1 - \alpha$ and $w_1 = \alpha$, then the optimal solution satisfies:

$$d_{it}^* = 0 \Leftrightarrow p_{it}^* \leq 1 - \alpha$$

- For each class $t=2, \dots, m$, solving the reassignment problem twice, we obtain $\underline{P}(Cl_t^{\geq})$, $\underline{P}(Cl_{t-1}^{\leq})$ without knowing the probability estimates!

Results of computational experiments with Stoch-DRSA

- 8 data sets, for which it is known from a domain knowledge that monotonicity constraints are present

Data set	#attributes	#objects	#classes
ESL	4	488	8
SWD	10	1000	4
LEV	4	1000	5
Housing	8	506	4
Wisconsin	9	699	2
Ljubljana	8	286	2
Car	6	1728	4
CPU	6	209	4

- Stoch-DRSA compared with 3 standard „of-the-shelf“ classifiers: C4.5 (decision trees), Naïve Bayes, Support Vector Machines (SVM)
- α set to 0.5 makes the class assignments univocal

Results of computational experiments with Stoch-DRSA

- Mean absolute error \pm standard deviation from 10-fold cross-validation repeated 10 times to improve the replicability of the experiment

Dataset	Stoch-DRSA	J48	SVM	Naïve Bayes
ESL	0.328 \pm 0.023	0.369 \pm 0.022	0.355 \pm 0.023	0.333 \pm 0.024
SWD	0.442 \pm 0.018	0.442 \pm 0.016	0.435 \pm 0.016	0.457 \pm 0.016
LEV	0.398 \pm 0.017	0.415 \pm 0.018	0.444 \pm 0.016	0.441 \pm 0.017
Housing	0.286 \pm 0.02	0.332 \pm 0.023	0.314 \pm 0.025	0.506 \pm 0.033
CPU	0.099 \pm 0.02	0.1 \pm 0.019	0.371 \pm 0.03	0.18 \pm 0.033
Ljubljana	0.241 \pm 0.024	0.259 \pm 0.021	0.299 \pm 0.023	0.252 \pm 0.025
Wisconsin	0.03 \pm 0.007	0.046 \pm 0.009	0.03 \pm 0.007	0.037 \pm 0.007
Car	0.045 \pm 0.006	0.09 \pm 0.008	0.078 \pm 0.007	0.177 \pm 0.008

(results within one standard deviation from the best marked in **bold**)

- **Stoch-DRSA** which exploits solely the dominance relation outperforms standard classifiers in most of the cases!

Decision rule approach
to multiple criteria choice and ranking

Rough approximation of binary relations: DRSA for multiple criteria choice & ranking

- Preference information of the DM in form of pairwise comparisons of reference objects is put in a **pairwise comparison table** (PCT)
- Comparing objects $a, b \in A^R$ on
 - a cardinal criterion, one puts in PCT the value $\Delta_i(a, b) = g_i(a) - g_i(b)$
 - an ordinal criterion, one puts in PCT the ordered pair $(g_i(a), g_i(b))$

$B \subseteq A^R \times A^R$

Pairwise Comparison Table (PCT)

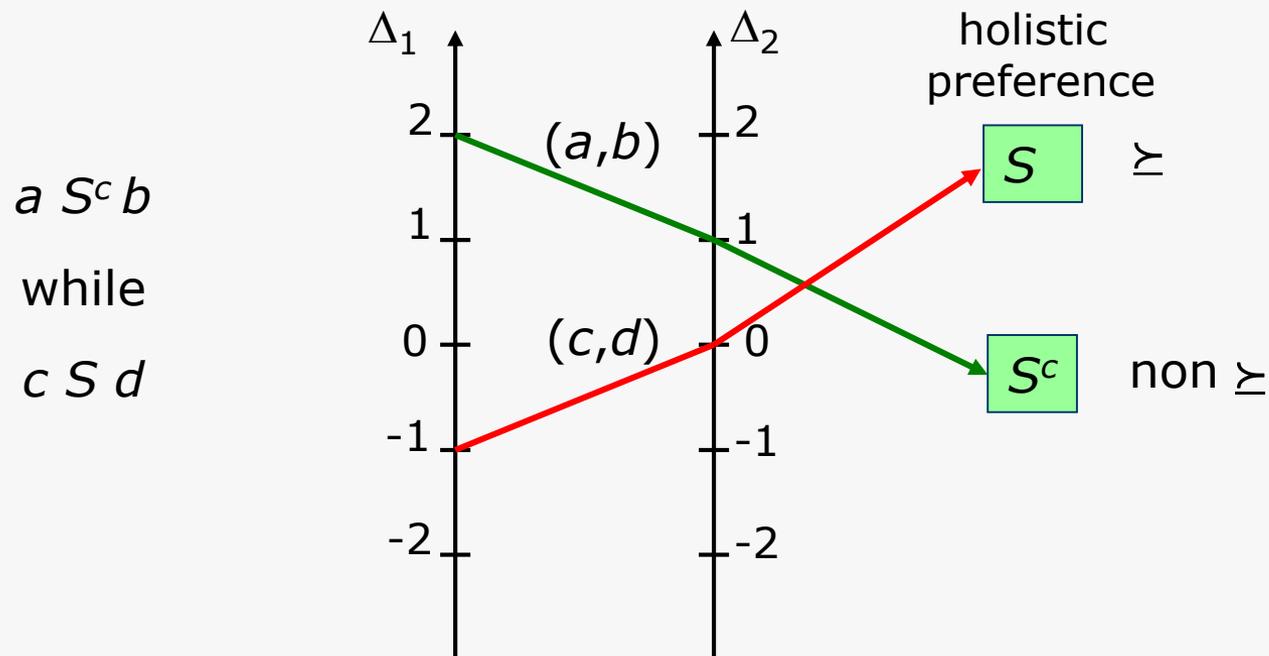
Pair of reference objects	Evaluations on criteria			Preference information
	g_1	...	g_n	
(a, b)	$\Delta_1(a, b)$	...	$(g_n(a), g_n(b))$	aSb
(b, a)	$\Delta_1(b, a)$	...	$(g_n(b), g_n(a))$	$bS^c a$
(b, c)	$\Delta_1(b, c)$	...	$(g_n(b), g_n(c))$	bSc
...
(d, e)	$\Delta_1(d, e)$	...	$(g_n(d), g_n(e))$	$dS^c e$

S – **outranking**
 S^c – **non-outranking**

$G = \{g_1, \dots, g_n\}$
 g_1 -cardinal; g_n -ordinal

DRSA for multiple criteria choice & ranking – inconsistency

- Problem → **inconsistencies** in the preference information, due to:
 - **uncertainty** of information – hesitation, unstable preferences,
 - **incompleteness** of the set of criteria,
 - **granularity** of information.
- Inconsistency w.r.t. dominance principle:



Syntax of decision rules

choice ranking **cardinal** criteria

if $(x \succ_{q_1}^{\geq h(q_1)} y)$ and $(x \succ_{q_2}^{\geq h(q_2)} y)$ and ... $(x \succ_{q_p}^{\geq h(q_p)} y)$, then xS^y

if $(x \succ_{q_1}^{\leq h(q_1)} y)$ and $(x \succ_{q_2}^{\leq h(q_2)} y)$ and ... $(x \succ_{q_p}^{\leq h(q_p)} y)$, then $xS^c y$

choice ranking **ordinal** criteria

if $x_{g_1} \succeq_{g_1} r_{q_1} \ \& \ y_{g_1} \preceq_{g_1} r'_{q_1} \ \& \ \dots \ x_{g_p} \succeq_{g_p} r_{g_p} \ \& \ y_{g_p} \preceq_{g_p} r'_{g_p}$, then xS^y

if $x_{g_1} \preceq_{g_1} r_{q_1} \ \& \ y_{g_1} \succeq_{g_1} r'_{q_1} \ \& \ \dots \ x_{g_p} \preceq_{g_p} r_{g_p} \ \& \ y_{g_p} \succeq_{g_p} r'_{g_p}$, then $xS^c y$

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pair of objects x, y evaluated on criterion g_1

S.Greco, B.Matarazzo, R.Słowiński: Decision rule approach. Chapter 13 in: J.Figueira et al. (eds.), *Multiple Criteria Decision Analysis: State of the Art Surveys*, Springer, New York, 2005, pp. 507-562

DRSA for multiple criteria choice & ranking – dominance

- **Marginal dominance relation** D_2^i for pairs of objects $(a,b), (c,d) \in A \times A$:

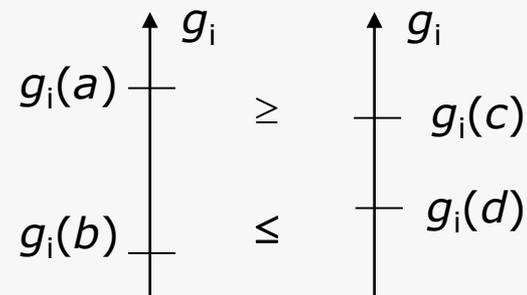
For **cardinal criterion** $g_i \in G$:

$$(a,b) D_2^i(c,d) \text{ if}$$

$$\Delta_i(a,b) \geq \Delta_i(c,d)$$

For **ordinal criterion** $g_i \in G$:

$$(a,b) D_2^i(c,d) \text{ if}$$



- **Dominance relation** D_2 for pairs of objects $(a,b), (c,d) \in A \times A$:

$$(a,b) D_2(c,d) \text{ if } (a,b) D_2^i(c,d) \text{ for all } g_i \in G, \text{ i.e.,}$$

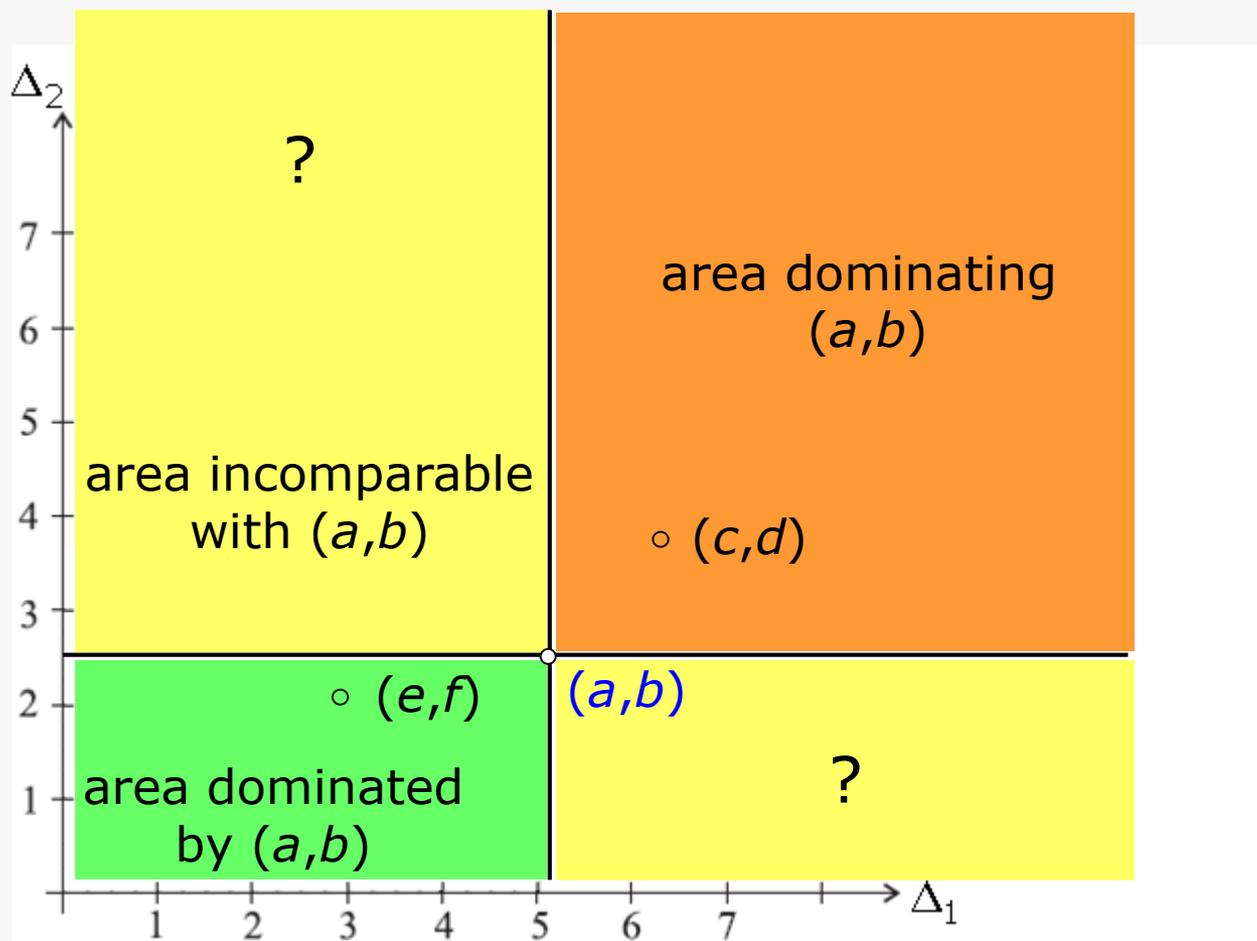
if a is preferred to b **at least as much as** c is preferred to d for all $g_i \in G$

- D_2^i is **reflexive, transitive, but not necessarily complete** (partial preorder)
- $D_2 = \bigcap_{g_i \in G} D_2^i$ is a **partial preorder** on $A \times A$

DRSA – positive and negative dominance cones w.r.t. (a,b)

positive dominance cone: $D_2^+(a,b) = \{(c,d) \in A \times A : (c,d)D_2(a,b)\}$

negative dominance cone: $D_2^-(a,b) = \{(e,f) \in A \times A : (a,b)D_2(e,f)\}$



DRSA for multiple criteria choice & ranking – rough approximations

- lower and upper approximations of outranking relation S :

$$\underline{S} = \{ (a, b) \in B : D_2^+(a, b) \subseteq S \}$$
$$\overline{S} = \{ (a, b) \in B : D_2^-(a, b) \cap S \neq \emptyset \} = \bigcup_{(a,b) \in S} D_2^+(a, b)$$

- lower and upper approximations of non-outranking relation S^c :

$$\underline{S^c} = \{ (a, b) \in B : D_2^-(a, b) \subseteq S^c \}$$
$$\overline{S^c} = \{ (a, b) \in B : D_2^+(a, b) \cap S^c \neq \emptyset \} = \bigcup_{(a,b) \in S^c} D_2^-(a, b)$$

- boundaries of S and S^c :

$$Bn(S) = \overline{S} - \underline{S}, \quad Bn(S^c) = \overline{S^c} - \underline{S^c}$$
$$Bn(S) = Bn(S^c)$$

DRSA for multiple criteria choice & ranking – properties

- Basic properties:

$$\underline{S} \subseteq S \subseteq \overline{S}, \quad \underline{S^c} \subseteq S^c \subseteq \overline{S^c}$$

$$\underline{S} = B - \overline{S^c}, \quad \overline{S} = B - \underline{S^c}$$

$$\underline{S^c} = B - \overline{S}, \quad \overline{S^c} = B - \underline{S}$$

- Quality of approximation of S and S^c :

$$\gamma = \frac{\text{card}(\underline{S} \cup \underline{S^c})}{\text{card}(B)}$$

- (S, S^c) -reduct and (S, S^c) -core

DRSA for multiple criteria choice & ranking – VC-DRSA

- **Variable Consistency DRSA (VC-DRSA)** is relaxing the strict definitions of lower approximations of S and S^c as

$$\underline{S} = \{ (a, b) \in S : \varepsilon_S(a, b) \leq \theta_S \}, \quad \overline{S} = B - \underline{S^c}$$
$$\underline{S^c} = \{ (a, b) \in S^c : \varepsilon_{S^c}(a, b) \leq \theta_{S^c} \}, \quad \overline{S^c} = B - \underline{S}$$

where **cost-type consistency measures** $\varepsilon_S, \varepsilon_{S^c} : B \rightarrow [0,1]$ are defined as

$$\varepsilon_S(a, b) = \frac{\text{card}(D_2^+(a, b) \cap S^c)}{\text{card}(S^c)}$$
$$\varepsilon_{S^c}(a, b) = \frac{\text{card}(D_2^-(a, b) \cap S)}{\text{card}(S)}$$

and thresholds $\theta_S, \theta_{S^c} \in [0,1)$ (if $\theta_S = \theta_{S^c} = 0$, then VC-DRSA = DRSA)

Induction of decision rules from rough approximations of S and S^c

- Decision rules

- S -decision rules (induced from \underline{S})

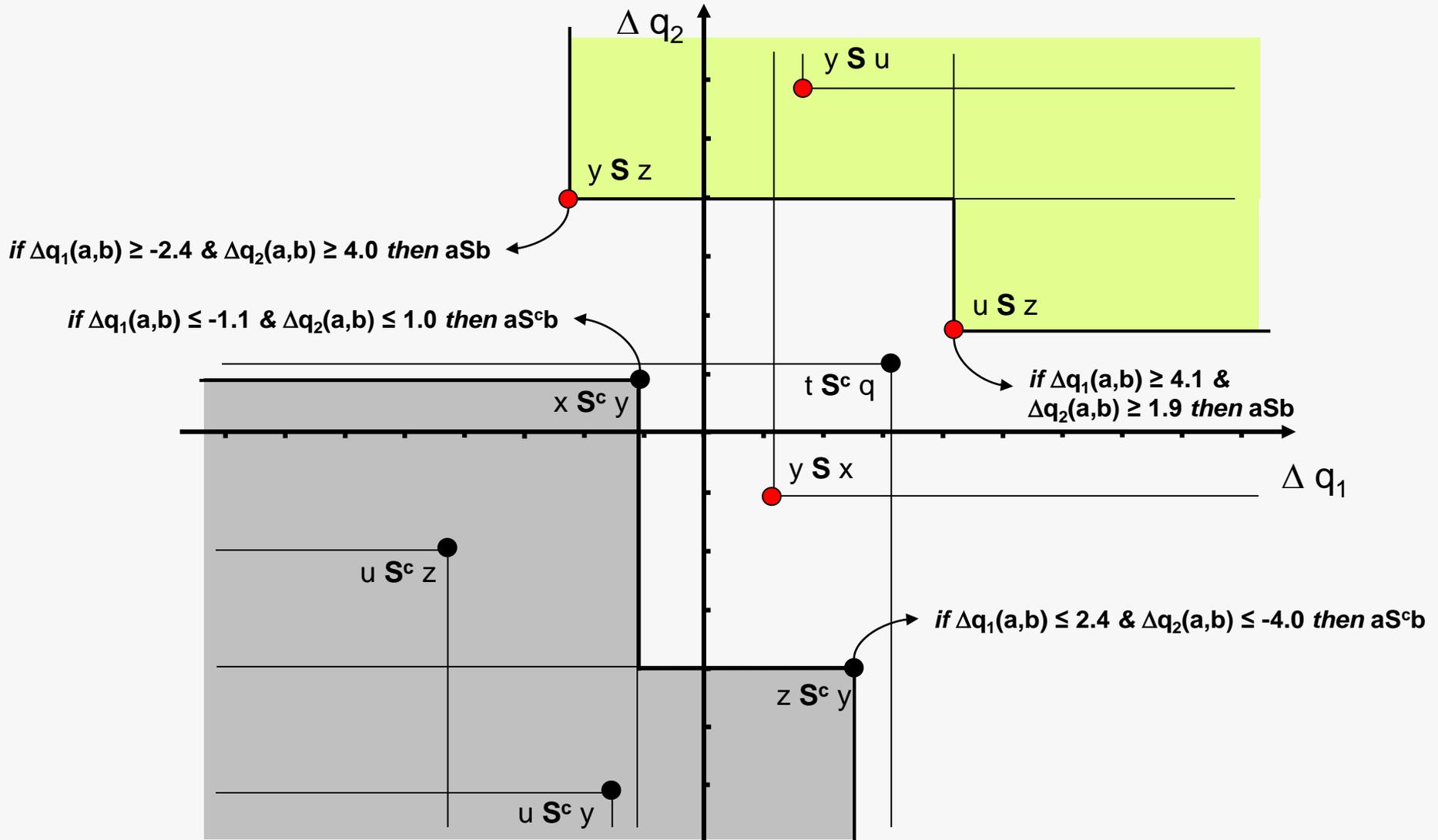
*if $(\Delta_{i_1}(a,b) \geq \delta_{i_1})$ and ... and $(\Delta_{i_p}(a,b) \geq \delta_{i_p})$ and
 $(g_{i(p+1)}(a) \geq r_{i(p+1)})$ and $(g_{i(p+1)}(b) \leq s_{i(p+1)})$ and ... and
 $(g_{i_z}(a) \geq r_{i_z})$ and $(g_{i_z}(b) \leq s_{i_z})$, then aSb*

- S^c -decision rules (induced from $\underline{S^c}$)

*if $(\Delta_{i_1}(a,b) \leq \delta_{i_1})$ and ... and $(\Delta_{i_p}(a,b) \leq \delta_{i_p})$ and
 $(g_{i(p+1)}(a) \leq r_{i(p+1)})$ and $(g_{i(p+1)}(b) \geq s_{i(p+1)})$ and ... and
 $(g_{i_z}(a) \leq r_{i_z})$ and $(g_{i_z}(b) \geq s_{i_z})$, then $aS^c b$*

e.g., if **car a has max speed at least 25 km/h greater than car b** (cardinal criterion) and **car a has comfort at least 3** while **car b has comfort at most 2** (ordinal criterion), then car a **outranks** car b (aSb)

Induction of decision rules from rough approximations of S and S^c



DRSA for multiple criteria choice & ranking – decision rules

- Induction of rules using **VC-DomLEM** sequential covering algorithm, which generates a **minimal set of decision rules**
- Each generated rule is **minimal** and **sufficiently consistent**.
Rule consistency is measured by **cost-type rule consistency measure**

$\hat{\varepsilon}_T : R_T \rightarrow [0,1]$ defined as:

$$\hat{\varepsilon}_T(r_T) = \frac{\text{card}(\|r_T\| \cap \neg T)}{\text{card}(\neg T)}$$

where: $T \in \{S, S^c\}$,

R_T = set of rules suggesting assignment to relation T ,

$r_T \in R_T$,

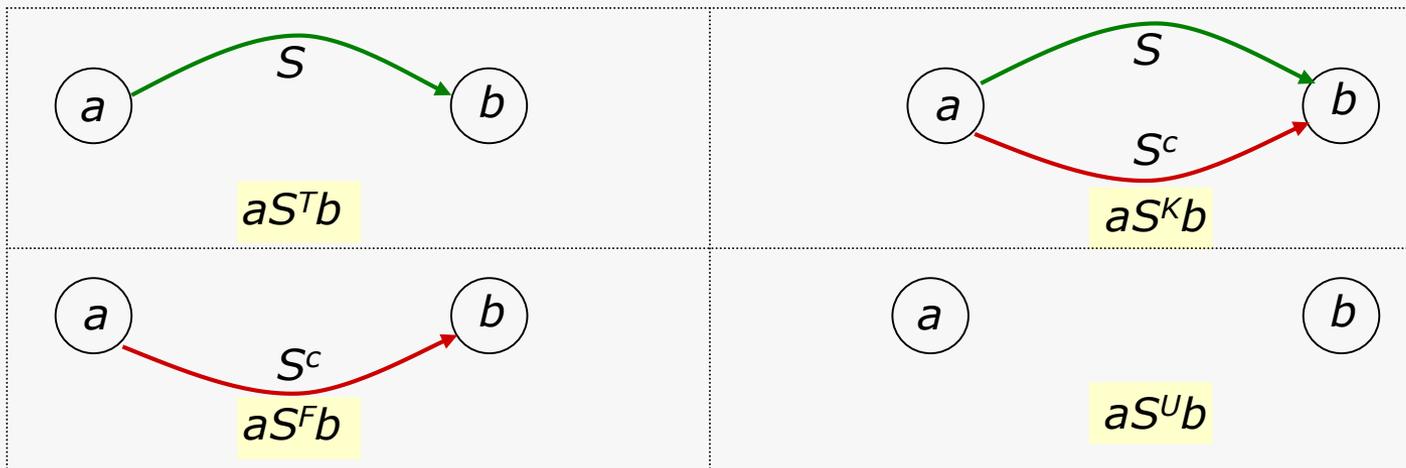
$\|r_T\|$ = set of pairs of objects covered by r_T ,

$\neg T = B - T$.

For each $r_T \in R_T$, we require that $\hat{\varepsilon}_T(r_T) \leq \theta_T$

Application of decision rules to multiple criteria choice & ranking

- Application of decision rules on the whole set A induces a specific preference structure on A (represented by directed multigraph)
- Any pair of objects $(a,b) \in A \times A$ can match the decision rules in one of four ways:
 - aSb and *not* $aS^c b$, that is *true* outranking ($aS^T b$)
 - $aS^c b$ and *not* aSb , that is *false* outranking ($aS^F b$)
 - aSb and $aS^c b$, that is *contradictory* outranking ($aS^K b$)
 - *not* aSb and *not* $aS^c b$, that is *unknown* outranking ($aS^U b$)



The 4-valued outranking underlines the presence and the absence of positive and negative reasons of outranking.

Application of decision rules to multiple criteria choice & ranking

- The 4-valued outranking relation can be faithfully represented by three-valued fuzzy relation R_{3v} :

$$R_{3v}(a, b) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } aS^F b \\ 1/2 & \text{if } aS^U b \text{ or } aS^K b \\ 1 & \text{if } aS^T b \end{cases}$$

Greco S., Matarazzo B., Słowiński R., Tsoukias A.: Exploitation of a rough approximation of the outranking relation in multicriteria choice and ranking. [In]: LNE&MS 465, Springer, Berlin, 1998, pp.45–60.

- or, more directly, as:

$$R_{3v}(a, b) = \frac{[aSb] + (1 - [aS^c b])}{2}$$

where $[]$ denotes indicator function (0-1)

DRSA for multiple criteria choice & ranking – ranking methods

- In order to obtain final recommendation, relation R_{3V} is exploited using a **ranking method**. We consider the following ranking methods:
 - **Net Flow Rule (NFR)** – yields **weak order** using scoring function $SD : A \rightarrow \Re$ defined as: $SD(a) = \sum_{b \in A \setminus \{a\}} R_{3V}(a, b) - R_{3V}(b, a)$.
 - **Iterative Net Flow Rule (It.NFR)** – yields **weak order** by iterative application of scoring function SD .
 - **Min in Favor (MiF)** – yields **weak order** using scoring function mF defined as: $mF(a) = \min_{b \in A \setminus \{a\}} R_{3V}(a, b)$.
 - **Iterative Min in Favor (It.MiF)** – yields **weak order** by iterative application of scoring function mF .
 - **Leaving and Entering Flows (L/E)** – yields a **partial preorder** being the intersection of two weak orders obtained using scoring functions SF and $-SA$, defined as:

$$SF(a) = \sum_{b \in A \setminus \{a\}} R_{3V}(a, b) \quad -SA(a) = - \sum_{b \in A \setminus \{a\}} R_{3V}(b, a)$$

Desirable properties of ranking methods

- We consider the following 10 **desirable properties** of ranking methods (in order of importance):
 - **neutrality** (property N),
 - **monotonicity** (property M),
 - **covering compatibility** (property CC),
 - **discrimination** (property D),
 - **faithfulness** (property F),
 - **data-preservation** (property DP),
 - **independence of non-discriminating objects** (property $INDO$),
 - **independence of circuits** (property IC),
 - **ordinality** (property O),
 - **greatest faithfulness** (property GF).

Szeląg M, Greco S, Słowiński R, Rule-based approach to multicriteria ranking. Chapter 6 in: M.Doumpos, E.Grigoroudis (eds.), *Multicriteria Decision Aid and Artificial Intelligence: Links, Theory and Applications*, Wiley-Blackwell, London, 2013, pp. 127-160.

Desirable properties of ranking methods

Property / RM	<i>NFR</i>	<i>It.NFR</i>	<i>MiF</i>	<i>It.MiF</i>	<i>L/E</i>
<i>N</i>	T	T	T	T	T
<i>M</i>	T	F	T	F	T
<i>CC</i>	T	T	T	T	T
<i>D</i>	T	T	F	T	T
<i>F</i>	T	T	F	T	T
<i>DP</i>	T	T	T	T	T
<i>INDO</i>	T	T	F	F	T
<i>IC</i>	T	F	F	F	F
<i>O</i>	F	F	T	T	F
<i>GF</i>	F	F	T	T	T

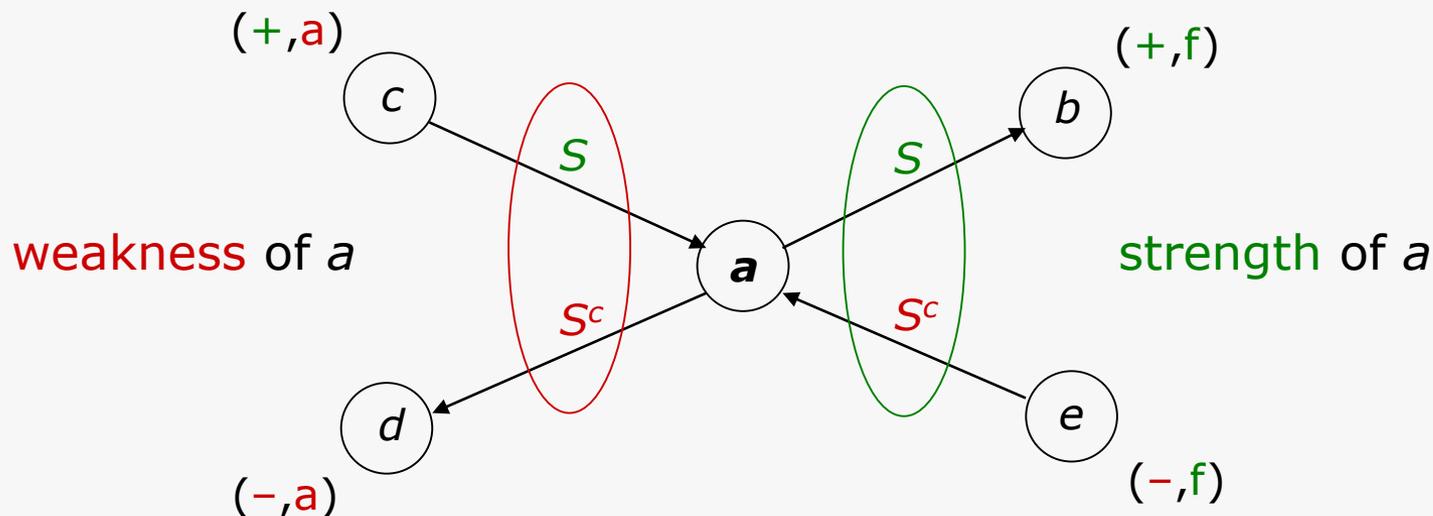
where: **T/F** – proof in the literature, **T/F** – proven by the authors

The **best ranking method** w.r.t. the considered properties is ***NFR***

DRSA for multiple criteria choice & ranking – *Net Flow Score*

aSb – positive (+) argument in favor of a but against b

$aS^c b$ – negative (-) argument against a but in favor of b



$$NFS(a) = \text{strength}(a) - \text{weakness}(a)$$

$$NFS(a) = \sum_{b \in A \setminus \{a\}} [aSb] - [bSa] - [aS^c b] + [bS^c a]$$

where $a \in A$ and $[\]$ denotes indicator function

DRSA for multiple criteria choice & ranking – final recommendation

- Final recommendation:

ranking: weak order over A determined by NFS

best choice: object(s) $a^* \in A$ such that $NFS(a^*) = \max_{a \in A} \{NFS(a)\}$

Fortemps Ph, Greco S, Słowiński R, Multicriteria decision support using rules that represent rough-graded preference relations, *European J. Operational Research*, 188 (2008) 206-223.

DRSA for multiple criteria choice & ranking – illustrative example

- Mrs Brown is a scientist and wants to buy a **notebook** for personal use
- She would like to spend no more than 1700 EUR
- She is going to use it for: writing scientific papers, programming, performing computational experiments, and watching movies
- She considers **22 high-end notebooks** (set **A**) that have Intel Core i7 processor with four cores, at least 4 MB of RAM (DDR3, 1333MHz), and monitor at least 15 inch with Full HD resolution (1920 x 1080 pixels)
- She evaluates the notebooks by **three cardinal criteria**:
 - **price** in EUR (g_1 , to be minimized),
 - **diagonal** of a monitor in inches (g_2 , to be maximized),
 - **weight** in kilograms (g_3 , to be minimized).
- In the past, she tested **6 notebooks** $n_1, n_4, n_{10}, n_{12}, n_{14}, n_{18}$ (**reference objects**), and she ranks them as follows: $n_4 \succ n_1 \succ n_{12} \succ n_{14} \succ n_{10} \succ n_{18}$

DRSA for multicriteria choice & ranking – illustrative example

Multicriteria evaluation of 6 reference notebooks (objects)

id	model	price $g_1 \downarrow$	diagonal $g_2 \uparrow$	weight $g_3 \downarrow$
n_1	Asus N75SF-V2G-TZ025V	865	17.3	3.4
...
n_4	DELL XPS L502X	1031	15.6	2.7
...
n_{10}	Samsung NP700G7A-S02PL	1656	17.3	3.81
...
n_{12}	Asus G53SX-IX059V	1372	15.6	3.92
...
n_{14}	Asus G73SW-91037V	1538	17.3	3.9
...
n_{18}	Lenovo ThinkPad T520	1467	15.6	2.5
...

DRSA for multicriteria choice & ranking – illustrative example

- The ranking of reference objects by the DM is a **source of preference information**: $n_4 \succ n_1 \succ n_{12} \succ n_{14} \succ n_{10} \succ n_{18}$
 - aSb whenever notebook a is ranked not lower than notebook b ,
 - $aS^c b$ whenever notebook a is ranked lower than notebook b .
- In this way we get $B=A^R \times A^R$
- Given the **preference information**, the following calculations are performed using **jRank***

*<http://www.cs.put.poznan.pl/mszelag/Software/jRank/jrank.pdf>

DRSA for multicriteria choice & ranking – illustrative example

- The preference information in the form of pairwise comparisons of six reference objects yields a PCT composed of 36 pairs of objects

(a,b)	$\Delta_1 \downarrow$	$\Delta_2 \uparrow$	$\Delta_3 \downarrow$	relation
(n_4, n_4)	0	0	0	S
(n_4, n_1)	166	-1.7	-0.7	S
...
(n_1, n_4)	-166	1.7	0.7	S^c
...
(n_{12}, n_{14})	-166	-1.7	0.02	S
...
(n_{12}, n_{18})	-95	0.0	1.42	S
...
(n_{18}, n_{10})	-189	-1.7	-1.31	S^c
...

PCT contains in total
10 inconsistent pairs
of objects

card(S)=21

card(S^c)=15

DRSA for multicriteria choice & ranking – illustrative example

- Inconsistent pairs of objects in the PCT

dominating pair $\in S^c$

	(n_1, n_4)	(n_{14}, n_{12})	(n_{18}, n_{12})	(n_{18}, n_{14})	(n_{18}, n_{10})
(n_4, n_1)			*	*	*
(n_{12}, n_{14})					*
(n_{12}, n_{18})	*				
(n_{14}, n_{18})	*				
(n_{10}, n_{18})	*	*			

dominated pair $\in S$

- We apply VC-DRSA, setting thresholds $\theta_S = \theta_{S^c} = 0.1$. In this way:
 - a pair of objects $(a, b) \in S$ is included in \underline{S} if it is dominated by at most 1 out of 15 pairs of objects belonging to S^c
 - a pair of objects $(a, b) \in S^c$ is included in \underline{S}^c if it dominates at most 2 out of 21 pairs of objects belonging to S

DRSA for multicriteria choice & ranking – illustrative example

- Decision rules induced by VCDomLEM from \underline{S} and \underline{S}^c :

Decision rule r_T	supp	$\hat{\varepsilon}_T(r_T)$
<i>if $\Delta_1(a,b) \leq -284$, then aSb</i>	9	0
<i>if $\Delta_1(a,b) \leq -166$ and $\Delta_3(a,b) \leq 0.02$, then aSb</i>	7	0.067
<i>if $\Delta_1(a,b) \leq -71$ and $\Delta_2(a,b) \geq 0$, then aSb</i>	15	0.067
<i>if $\Delta_1(a,b) \geq 95$, then $aS^c b$</i>	12	0.095
<i>if $\Delta_1(a,b) \geq -189$ and $\Delta_2(a,b) \leq -1.7$, then $aS^c b$</i>	4	0.095

where *supp* denotes the number of pairs of objects supporting rule r_T

- E.g., the 1st rule is read as: „*if the difference of price for notebook a and notebook b is at most -284, then a is weakly preferred to b* ”
- The induced rules are relatively short and the number of rules is small w.r.t. the size of the PCT

Ranking of all 22 notebooks by the *Net Flow Score* procedure

Rank	notebook(s)	score
1	n_1	39
2	n_2	38
3	n_6	37
4	n_3	30
5	n_4, n_5	24
...
12	n_7, n_{12}	-8
13	n_{14}	-14
14	n_{20}	-16
15	n_{22}	-20
16	n_{18}	-27
17	n_{17}, n_{19}	-32
18	n_9, n_{10}	-35

Reference ranking

n_4

n_1

n_{12}

n_{14}

n_{10}

n_{18}

Kendal's $\tau = 0.733$

„Inverted“ pairs:
 (n_4, n_1) , (n_{10}, n_{18})
 were **inconsistent**
 in the PCT

Indirect preference information – „Thierry’s choice”

(data from [Bouyssou et al. 2006])

- **Objects:** 14 cars; **Criteria:** Crit_1,...,Crit_5

Car	↓ Cost	↓ Accel	↓ Pick-up	↑ Brakes	↑ Road-h
1. Fiat Tipo	18 342	30.7	37.2	2.33	3.00
2. Alfa 33	15 335	30.2	41.6	2.00	2.50
3. Nissan Sunny	16 973	29.0	34.9	2.66	2.50
4. Mazda 323	15 460	30.4	35.8	1.66	1.50
5. Mitsubishi Colt	15 131	29.7	35.6	1.66	1.75
6. Toyota Corolla	13 841	30.8	36.5	1.33	2.00
7. Honda Civic	18 971	28.0	35.6	2.33	2.00
8. Opel Astra	18 319	28.9	35.5	1.66	2.00
9. Ford Escort	19 800	29.4	34.7	2.00	1.75
10. Renault 19	16 966	30.0	37.7	2.33	3.25
11. Peugeot 309 16V	17 537	28.3	34.8	2.33	2.75
12. Peugeot 309	15 980	29.6	35.3	2.33	2.75
13. Mitsubishi Galant	17 219	30.2	36.9	1.66	1.25
14. Renault 21	21 334	28.9	36.7	2.00	2.25

Indirect preference information – „Thierry’s choice”

(data from [Bouyssou et al. 2006])

- 5 reference objects ranked by the DM: $11 \succ 3 \succ 13 \succ 9 \succ 14$

	obj1	obj2	diff_price	diff_accel	diff_pick_up	diff_brakes	diff_road_h	relation
1.	11	11	0	0	0	0	0	S
2.	11	3	564	-0,7	-0,1	-0,33	0,25	S
3.	11	13	318	-1,9	-2,1	0,67	1,5	S
4.	11	9	-2263	-1,1	0,1	0,33	1	S
5.	11	14	-3797	-0,6	-1,9	0,33	0,5	S
6.	3	11	-564	0,7	0,1	0,33	-0,25	Sc
7.	3	3	0	0	0	0	0	S
8.	3	13	-246	-1,2	-2	1	1,25	S
9.	3	9	-2827	-0,4	0,2	0,66	0,75	S
10.	3	14	-4361	0,1	-1,8	0,66	0,25	S
11.	13	11	-318	1,9	2,1	-0,67	-1,5	Sc
12.	13	3	246	1,2	2	-1	-1,25	Sc
13.	13	13	0	0	0	0	0	S
14.	13	9	-2581	0,8	2,2	-0,34	-0,5	S
15.	13	14	-4115	1,3	0,2	-0,34	-1	S
16.	9	11	2263	1,1	-0,1	-0,33	-1	Sc
17.	9	3	2827	0,4	-0,2	-0,66	-0,75	Sc
18.	9	13	2581	-0,8	-2,2	0,34	0,5	Sc
19.	9	9	0	0	0	0	0	S
20.	9	14	-1534	0,5	-2	0	-0,5	S
21.	14	11	3797	0,6	1,9	-0,33	-0,5	Sc
22.	14	3	4361	-0,1	1,8	-0,66	-0,25	Sc
23.	14	13	4115	-1,3	-0,2	0,34	1	Sc
24.	14	9	1534	-0,5	2	0	0,5	Sc
25.	14	14	0	0	0	0	0	S

Pairwise Comparison Table (PCT)

S = outranking

Sc = non-outranking

Illustrative example – Thierry's choice by DRSA (inductive learning of rules)

- All minimal rules (based on pairs of objects) induced from PCT

Number	Condition	Decision	Strength	Relative Strength
1.	(diff_price >= 1534)	relation at most Sc	7	70,00 %
2.	(diff_accel >= 1,9)	relation at most Sc	1	10,00 %
3.	(diff_brakes <= -0,66)	relation at most Sc	4	40,00 %
4.	(diff_road_h <= -1,25)	relation at most Sc	2	20,00 %
5.	(diff_price >= -564) & (diff_accel >= 0,7)	relation at most Sc	4	40,00 %
6.	(diff_price >= -564) & (diff_pick_up >= 0,1)	relation at most Sc	6	60,00 %
7.	(diff_price >= -564) & (diff_road_h <= -0,25)	relation at most Sc	7	70,00 %
8.	(diff_accel >= 1,2) & (diff_pick_up >= 2)	relation at most Sc	2	20,00 %
9.	(diff_price <= -1534)	relation at least S	7	46,67 %

Minimal set of rules covering all actions:

{1, 7, 9, 17, 18}

16.	(diff_price <= 564) & (diff_pick_up <= -0,1)	relation at least S	6	40,00 %
17.	(diff_price <= 0) & (diff_road_h >= 0)	relation at least S	10	66,67 %
18.	(diff_price <= 564) & (diff_road_h >= 0,25)	relation at least S	7	46,67 %
19.	(diff_accel <= -1,2) & (diff_pick_up <= -2)	relation at least S	2	13,33 %

Supporting Examples:

	obj1	obj2	diff_price	diff_accel	diff_pick_up	diff_brakes	diff_road_h	relation
16.	9	11	2263	1,1	-0,1	-0,33	-1	Sc
17.	9	3	2827	0,4	-0,2	-0,66	-0,75	Sc
18.	9	13	2581	-0,8	-2,2	0,34	0,5	Sc
21.	14	11	3797	0,6	1,9	-0,33	-0,5	Sc
22.	14	3	4361	-0,1	1,8	-0,66	-0,25	Sc
23.	14	13	4115	-1,3	-0,2	0,34	1	Sc
24.	14	9	1534	-0,5	2	0	0,5	Sc

Illustrative example – Thierry's choice by DRSA (inductive learning of rules)

- Ranking of all 14 objects by *Net Flow Score* exploitation procedure

rank	object	score
1	6	24
2	2	22
3	5, 12	
5	10	
6	4	
7	11	0
8	3	-2
9	1	-4
10	13	-10
11	8	-13
12	7	-17
13	9	-22
14	14	-26

Reference ranking:

11 \succ 3 \succ 13 \succ 9 \succ 14

Decision rule approach
to decision under risk & uncertainty

DRSA for decision under risk and uncertainty

- $\mathbf{ST} = \{st_1, st_2, st_3, \dots\}$ – set of elementary states of the world
- Pr – a priori probability distribution over \mathbf{ST}
e.g.: $pr_1=0.25, pr_2=0.30, pr_3=0.35, \dots$
- $\mathbf{A} = \{A_1, A_2, A_3, A_4, A_5, A_6, \dots\}$ – set of acts
- $\mathbf{X} = \{0, 10, 15, 20, 30, \dots\}$ – set of possible outcomes (gains)
- $\mathbf{Cl} = \{Cl_1, Cl_2, Cl_3, \dots\}$ – set of quality classes of the acts,
e.g.: Cl_1 =bad acts, Cl_2 =medium acts, Cl_3 =good acts
- $\rho(A_i, \pi) = x$ means that by act A_i one can gain at least x with at least probability $\pi = Pr(\mathbf{W})$, where $\mathbf{W} \subseteq \mathbf{ST}$ is an event
- There is a partial preorder on probabilities π of events
- Act A_i **stochastically dominates** A_j iff $\rho(A_i, \pi) \geq \rho(A_j, \pi)$ for each probability π

DRSA for decision under risk and uncertainty

- Preference information given by a Decision Maker:

assignment of some acts to quality classes

- Example:

π/Act	A_1	A_2	A_3	A_4	A_5	A_6
.25	30	20	20	20	20	20
.35	10	20	20	20	20	20
.40	10	20	20	20	20	20
.60	10	20	15	15	20	20
.65	10	20	15	15	20	20
.75	10	20	0	15	10	20
1	10	0	0	0	10	10
<i>Class</i>	good	medium	medium	bad	medium	good

DRSA for decision under risk and uncertainty

- Decision rules induced from rough approximations of quality classes

$$\text{if } \rho(A_i, 0.75) \geq 20 \text{ and } \rho(A_i, 1) \geq 10, \text{ then } A_i \in CI_3^{\geq} \quad (A_6)$$

"if the probability of gaining at least 20 is ≥ 0.75 , and the probability of gaining at least 10 is 1, then act A_i is *at least good*"

$$\text{if } \rho'(A_i, 0.25) \leq 20 \text{ and } \rho'(A_i, 0.75) \leq 15, \text{ then } A_i \in CI_2^{\leq} \quad (A_3, A_4, A_5)$$

"if the probability of gaining at most 20 is ≥ 0.25 , and the probability of gaining at most 15 is ≥ 0.75 , then act A_i is *at most medium*"

- Generalization:

DRSA for decision under risk with outcomes distributed over time
(decision under uncertainty and time preference)

DRSA-PCT to decision under risk and uncertainty

- **Decision rules** induced from rough approximations of binary preference relations on **pairs of acts** A_i, A_j :

*„if the probability of gaining at least 20\$ more is ≥ 0.75 ,
and the probability of gaining at least 10\$ more is 1,
then act A_i is **better than** act A_j “*

*„if the probability of gaining at least 10\$ less is ≥ 0.5 ,
and the probability of gaining at least 5\$ less is ≥ 0.8 ,
then act A_i is **worse than** act A_j “*

What other monotonic relationships can be handled by DRSA?

- DRSA – dominance relation:

„The more, the better“

- DRSA for decision under uncertainty – stochastic dominance relation:

„The more and the more probable, the better“

- DRSA for time preferences – time dominance relation:

„The more and the earlier, the better“

- DRSA for time preference & uncertainty – time stochastic dominance:

„The more, the more probable and the earlier, the better“

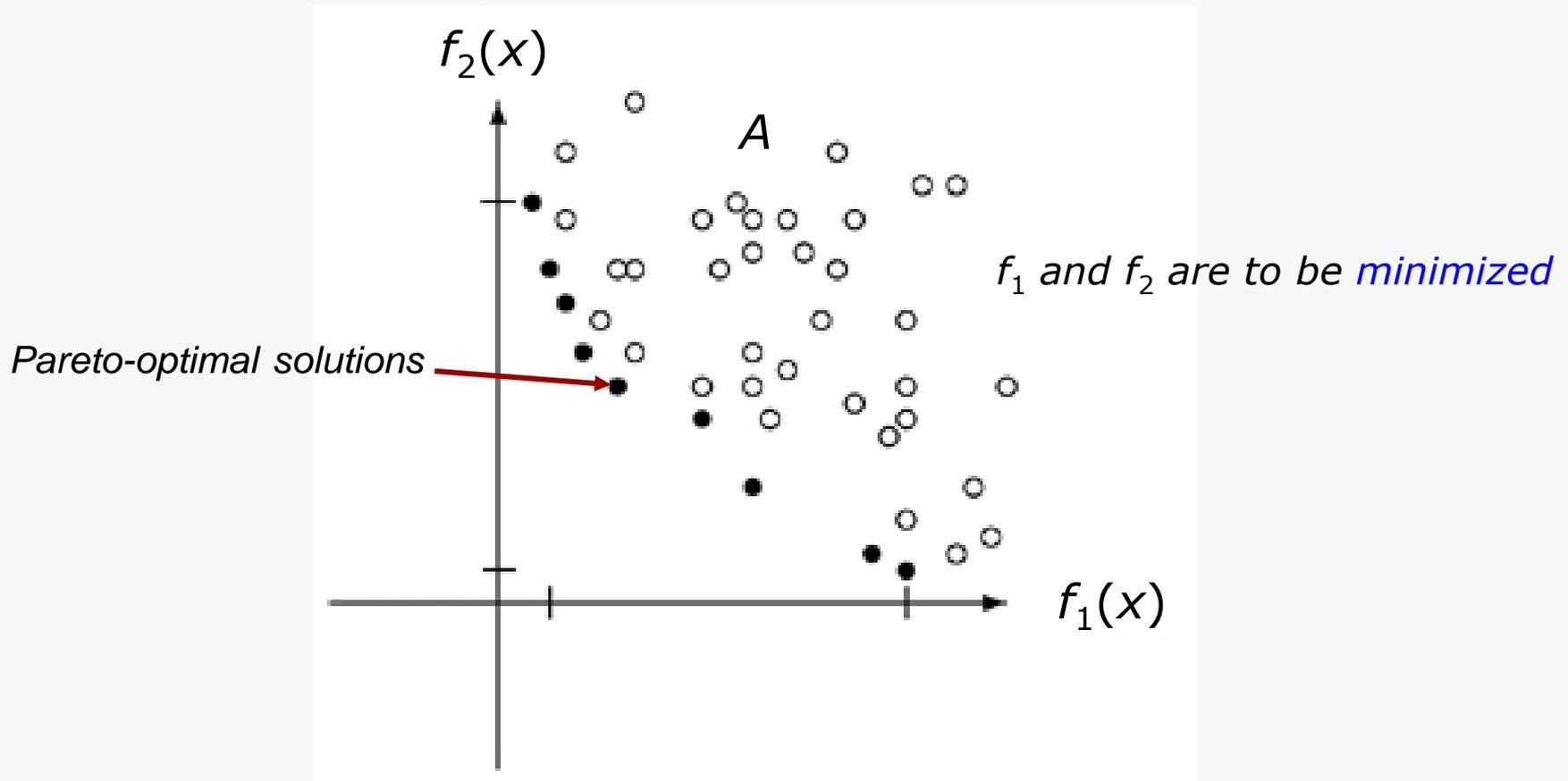
- DRSA can be applied to a large collection of **operational research problems**, such as portfolio selection, scheduling under uncertainty, inventory management, interactive (robust) multiobjective optimization,

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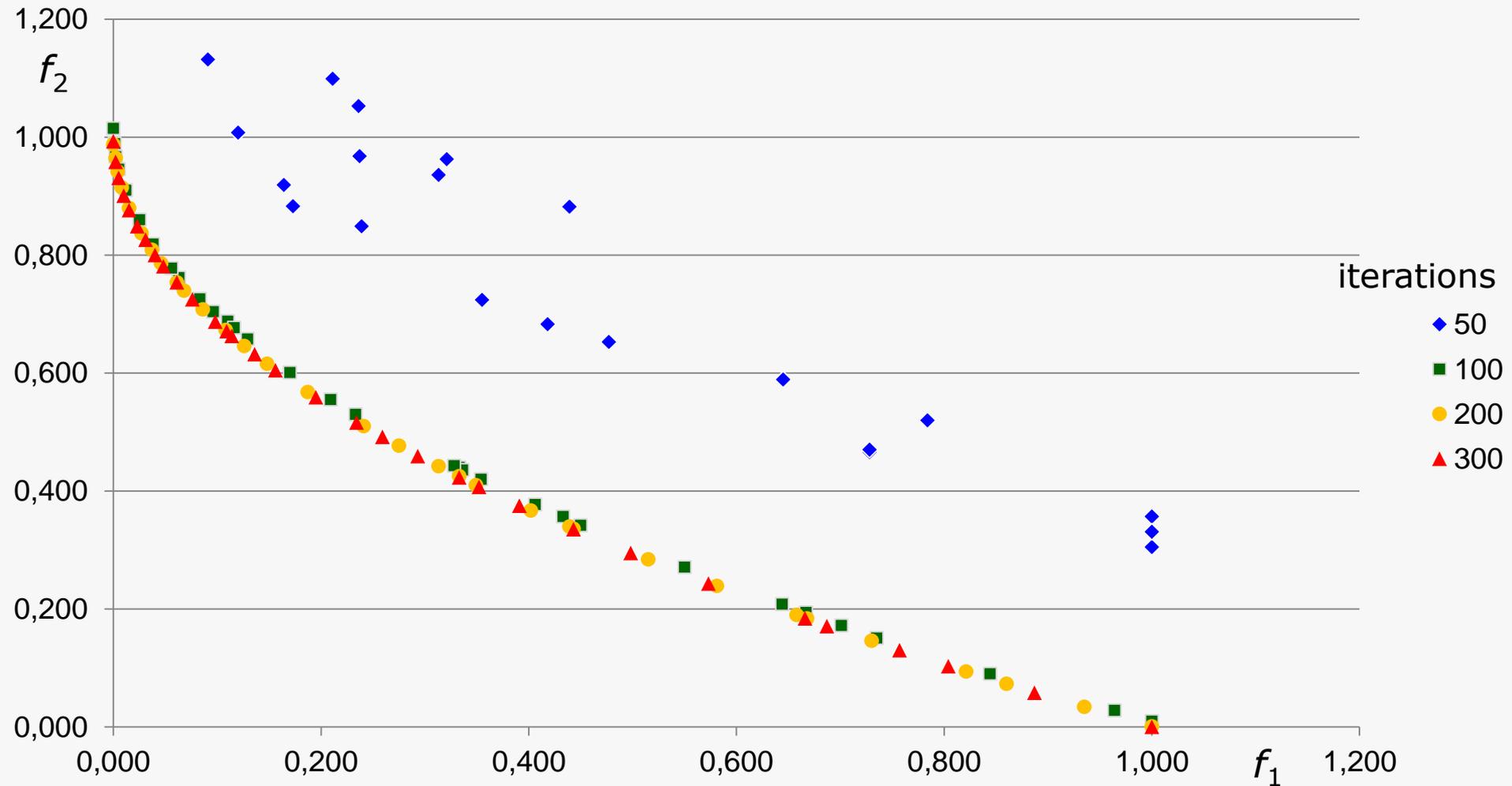
Decision rule approach
to interactive multiobjective optimization

Multiobjective Optimization – dominance relation

- Solution $a \in A$ is **Pareto-optimal** (non-dominated) if and only if there is no other solution $b \in A$ such that $f_i(b) \leq f_i(a)$, $i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$, and on at least one objective $j \in \{1, \dots, n\}$, $f_j(b) < f_j(a)$



Evolutionary Multiobjective Optimization (EMO)



Dominance-based association rules describing the Pareto optimal set

- Relationships between attainable values of different objective functions (criteria) in the set of Pareto-optimal solutions
- Formal syntax (in case of maximization of objectives):

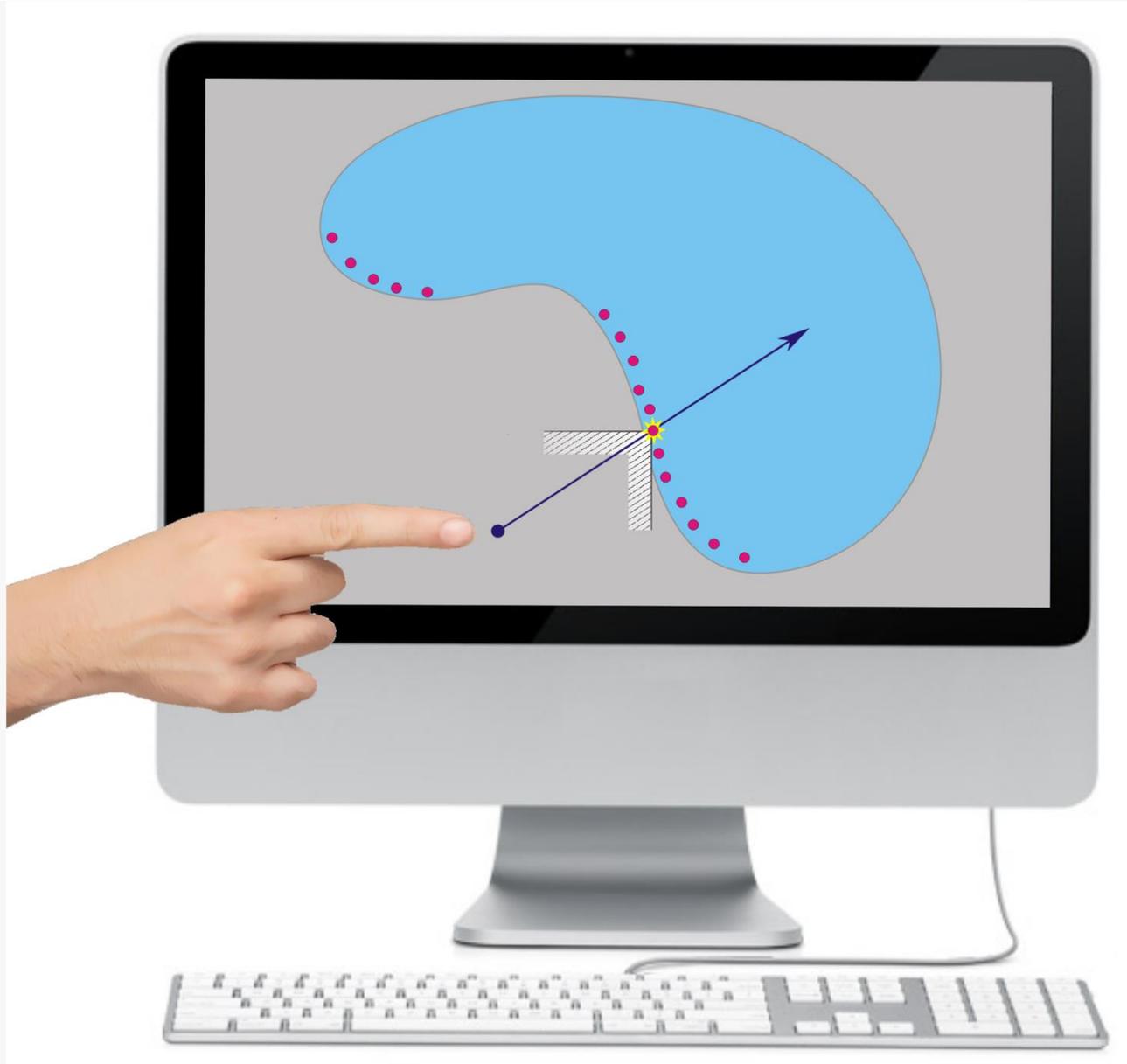
If $f_{i1}(x) \geq r_{i1}$ and $f_{i2}(x) \geq r_{i2}$ and ... $f_{ip}(x) \geq r_{ip}$,

then $f_{ip+1}(x) \leq r_{ip+1}$ and $f_{ip+2}(x) \leq r_{ip+2}$ and ... $f_{iq}(x) \leq r_{iq}$

- Example from product-mix problem:
 - „*if* profit ≥ 148 & time_machine ≤ 150 ,
 - then* amount_product_x_B ≤ 2 ”

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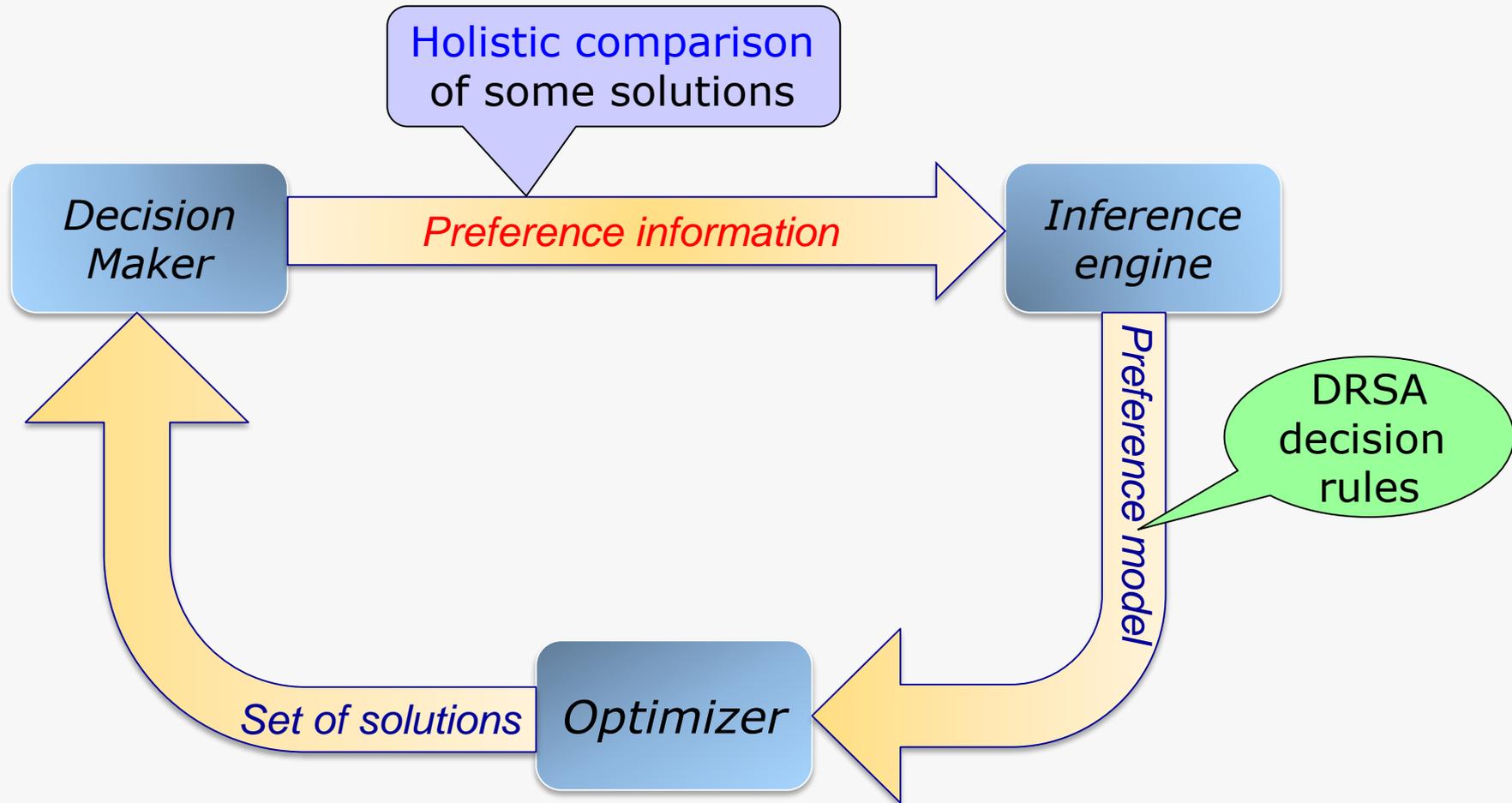
Multiobjective Optimization – interactive procedures



What preference information and preference model should be used ?

- The traditional interactive methods appear to be **too demanding of the cognitive effort** of their users
- We advocate for „**easy**“ preference information = **natural** and **partial**
- The most natural is a **holistic comparison** of some solutions
- The preference model should be **intelligible** and **comprehensible**
- We advocate for **decision rules**

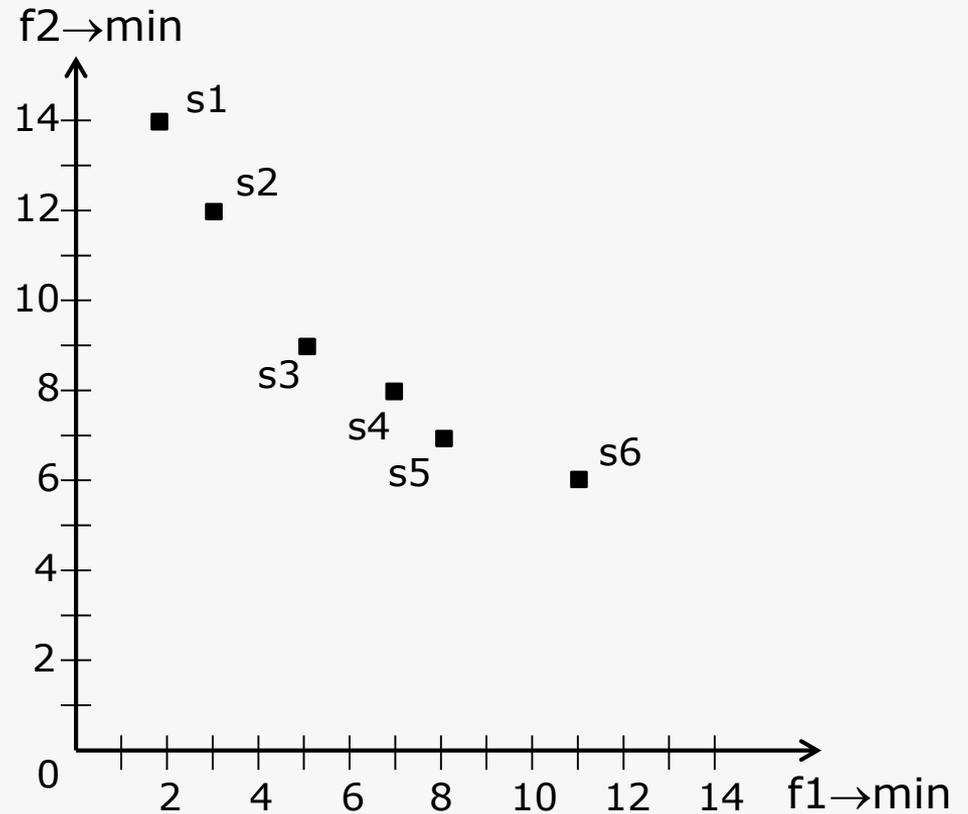
Interactive cycle with elicitation of preferences



Example

Sample of 6 non-dominated solutions submitted to evaluation of the DM

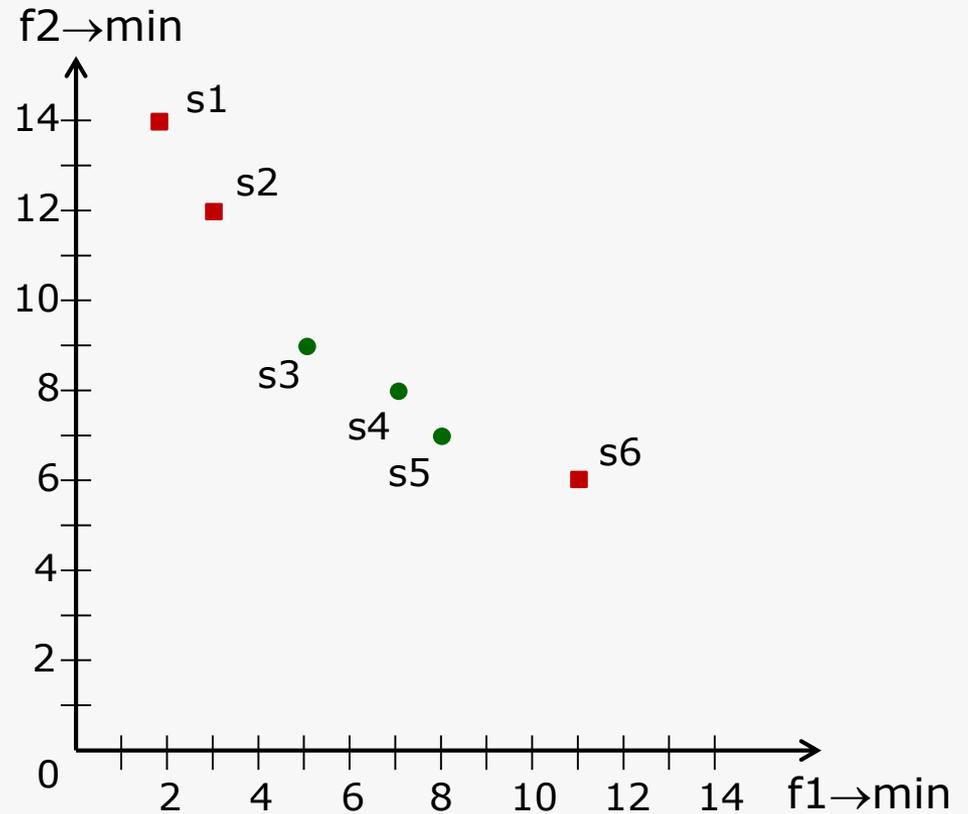
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s1	2	14	
s2	3	12	
s3	5	9	
s4	7	8	
s5	8	7	
s6	11	6	



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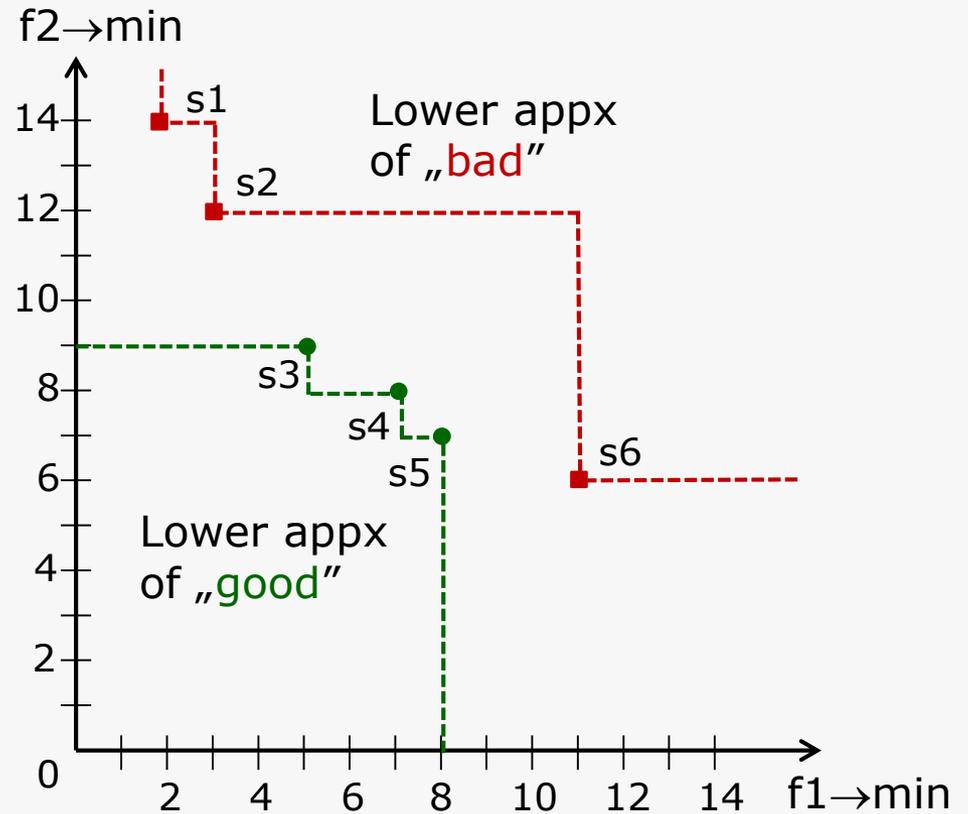
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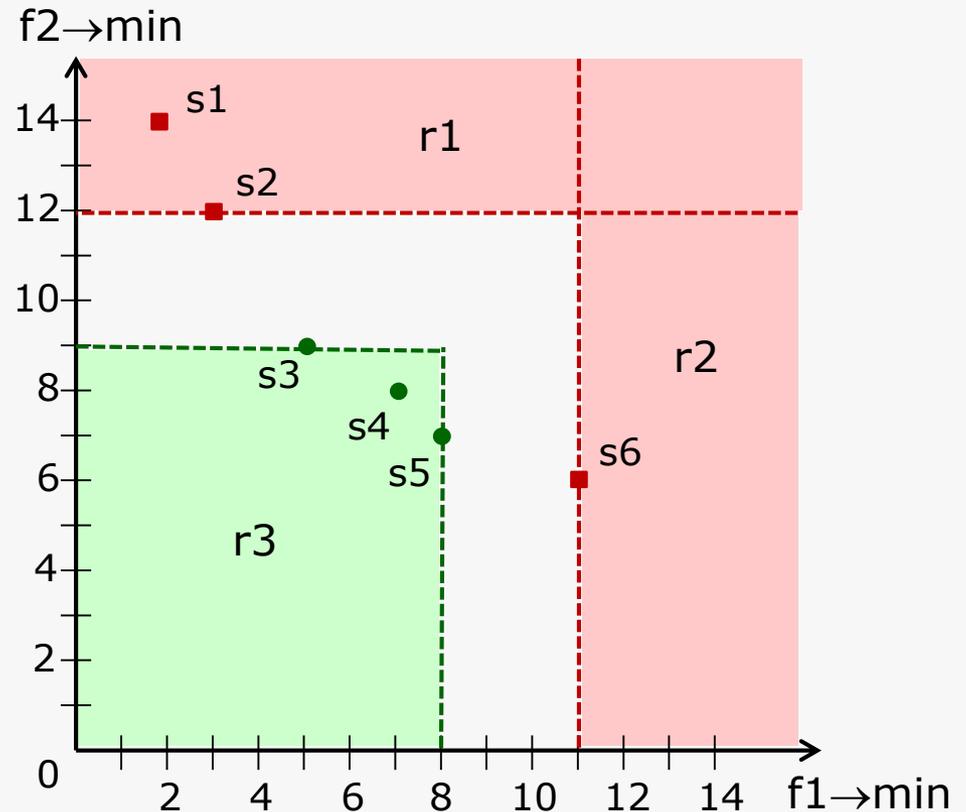
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s5	8	7	good
s6	11	6	bad



r1: if $f2(s) \geq 12$, then s is **bad**

r2: if $f1(s) \geq 11$, then s is **bad**

r3: if $f1(s) \leq 8$ & $f2(s) \leq 9$, then s is **good**

supported by {s1,s2}

supported by {s6}

supported by {s3,s4,s5}

DRSA to Interactive Multiobjective Optimization – DRSA-IMO

- 1) Present to DM a **representative** set of **efficient (Pareto-optimal)** solutions
- 2) Present **association rules** showing relationships **between the attainable values of the objective functions** and relationships **between decision variables and objective functions** in the Pareto-optimal set
- 3) If **DM finds a satisfactory solution**, then **stop**, otherwise go to step 4)
- 4) DM **selects** efficient solutions judged as (relatively) **good** and **bad**
- 5) DRSA „*if...,then...*” **decision rules** are induced from info got in step 4)
- 6) The most interesting **decision rules are presented to DM**
- 7) The **DM selects one or more decision rules** being the most adequate to his/her preferences
- 8) **Constraints** relative to these decision rules are included in the set of constraints
- 9) Go back to step 1)

Example of Production Mix Problem: data

- Three products: A, B, C
- Produced quantity (**decision variables**): x_A, x_B, x_C
- Price: $p_A=20, p_B=30, p_C=25$
- Time machine 1: $t^1_A=5, t^1_B=8, t^1_C=10$
- Time machine 2: $t^2_A=8, t^2_B=6, t^2_C=2$
- Raw material 1: $r^1_A=1, r^1_B=2, r^1_C=0.75$; unit cost: 6
- Raw material 2: $r^2_A=0.5, r^2_B=1, r^2_C=0.5$; unit cost: 8
- Market limit: $x_A^* = 10, x_B^* = 20, x_C^* = 10$

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Example of Production Mix Problem: mathematical formulation

- Max → Profit
- Min → Total time (machine 1 + machine 2)
- Max → Produced quantity of A
- Max → Produced quantity of B
- Max → Produced quantity of C
- Max → Sales

Example of Production Mix Problem: objectives and constraints

- **Max** $\rightarrow 20x_A + 30x_B + 25x_C - (1x_A + 2x_B + 0.75x_C)6 +$
 $- (0.5x_A + x_B + 0.5x_C)8$ [Profit]
- **Min** $\rightarrow 5x_A + 8x_B + 10x_C + 8x_A + 6x_B + 2x_C$
[Total time machine 1 + machine 2]
- **Max** $\rightarrow x_A$ [Produced quantity of A]
- **Max** $\rightarrow x_B$ [Produced quantity of B]
- **Max** $\rightarrow x_C$ [Produced quantity of C]
- **Max** $\rightarrow 20x_A + 30x_B + 25x_C$ [Sales]
- $x_A \leq 10, x_B \leq 20, x_C \leq 10$ [Market Limits]
- $x_A \geq 0, x_B \geq 0, x_C \geq 0$ [Non-negativity]

Set of representative efficient solutions of a production mix problem

Efficient solutions	Profit	Total time	Prod. X_A	Prod. X_B	Prod. X_C	Sales
S1	165	120	0	0	10	250
S2	172.692	130	0.769	0	10	265.385
S3	180.385	140	1.538	0	10	280.769
S4	141.125	140	3	3	4.917	272.916
S5	148.375	150	5	2	4.75	278.75
S6	139.125	150	5	3	3.583	279.583
S7	188.077	150	2.308	0	10	296.154
S8	159	150	6	0	6	270
S9	140.5	150	6	2	3.667	271.667
S10	209.25	200	6	2	7.833	375.833
S11	189.375	200	5	5	5.417	385.417
S12	127.375	130	3	3	4.083	252.083
S13	113.625	120	3	3	3.25	231.25

Sorting of representative efficient solutions

Efficient solutions	Profit	Total time	Prod. X_A	Prod. X_B	Prod. X_C	Sales	Class
S1	165	120	0	0	10	250	*
S2	172.692	130	0.769	0	10	265.385	*
S3	180.385	140	1.538	0	10	280.769	Good
S4	141.125	140	3	3	4.917	272.916	Good
S5	148.375	150	5	2	4.75	278.75	Good
S6	139.125	150	5	3	3.583	279.583	*
S7	188.077	150	2.308	0	10	296.154	*
S8	159	150	6	0	6	270	*
S9	140.5	150	6	2	3.667	271.667	Good
S10	209.25	200	6	2	7.833	375.833	*
S11	189.375	200	5	5	5.417	385.417	*
S12	127.375	130	3	3	4.083	252.083	*
S13	113.625	120	3	3	3.25	231.25	*

The most interesting DRSA decision rules

- If $\text{profit} \geq 140.5$ and $\text{time} \leq 150$ and $x_B \geq 2$,
then product mix is good (s4,s5,s9)
- If $\text{time} \leq 140$ and $x_A \geq 1.538$ and $x_C \geq 10$,
then product mix is good (s3)
- If $\text{time} \leq 150$ and $x_B \geq 2$ and $x_C \geq 4.75$,
then product mix is good (s4,s5)
- If $\text{time} \leq 140$ and $\text{sales} \geq 272.917$,
then product mix is good (s3,s4)
- If $\text{time} \leq 150$ and $x_B \geq 2$ and $x_C \geq 3.667$ and $\text{sales} \geq 271.667$,
then product mix is good (s4,s5,s9)

Selected decision rules

- DM selected **two** rules as the most adequate to preferences:

r1: If profit ≥ 140.5 and time ≤ 150 and $x_B \geq 2$,
then product mix is good (s4,s5,s9)

r2: If time ≤ 140 and sales ≥ 272.917 ,
then product mix is good (s3,s4)

Added constraints for decision rule r1

- First selected decision rule r1:

If profit ≥ 140.5 and time ≤ 150 and $x_B \geq 2$,

then product mix is good

(s4,s5,s9)

- Added constraints to the production mix problem:

- $20x_A + 30x_B + 25x_C - (1x_A + 2x_B + 0.75x_C)6 +$
 $- (0.5x_A + x_B + 0.5x_C)8 + (1-\delta_1)M \geq 140.5$ [profit ≥ 140.5]

- $5x_A + 8x_B + 10x_C + 8x_A + 6x_B + 2x_C - (1-\delta_1)M \leq 150$
[time ≤ 150]

- $x_B + (1-\delta_1)M \geq 2$ [produced quantity of B ≥ 2]

where $\delta_1 \in \{0,1\}$, M big number (10^6); if $\delta_1=1$, then r1 is satisfied;
if $\delta_1=0$, then r1 is **not** satisfied because each above constraint
is satisfied whatever value of decision variables

Added constraints for decision rule r2

- Second selected decision rule r2:

If time ≤ 140 and sales ≥ 272.917 ,

then product mix is good (s3,s4)

- Added constraints to the production mix problem:

- $5x_A + 8x_B + 10x_C + 8x_A + 6x_B + 2x_C - (1-\delta_2)M \leq 140.5$
[time ≤ 140]

- $20x_A + 30x_B + 25x_C + (1-\delta_2)M \geq 272.917$ [sales ≥ 272.9167]

where $\delta_2 \in \{0,1\}$, M big number (10^6); if $\delta_2=1$, then r2 is satisfied

Condition for filtering good solutions

- A solution is good if it satisfies at least one of decision rules r_1 & r_2 :

$$\delta_1 + \delta_2 \geq 1$$

Set of representative efficient solutions (second iteration)

Efficient solution	Profit	Total time	Prod. x_A	Prod. x_B	Prod. x_C	Sales	δ_1	δ_2
S1'	210.7143	150	0	2.142857	10	314.2857	1	0
S2'	140.5	150	0	9.469565	1.452174	320.3913	1	0
S3'	140.5	103.5676	0	2	6.297297	217.4324	1	0
S4'	140.5	150	5.097923	2	4.643917	278.0564	1	0
S5'	120	140	0	10	0	300	0	1
S6'	191.875	134.8959	1.145835	0	10	272.9167	0	1
S7'	150	109.7297	0	2	6.810811	230.2703	1	0
S8'	150	127.9459	2	2	6.162162	254.0541	1	0
S9'	150	135	2	3.134783	5.426087	269.6957	1	0
S10'	160.875	135	2	2	6,75	268.75	1	0
S11'	192.7143	135	1	0.142857	10	274.2857	0	1
S12'	184.5	135	1	1	9	275	0	1

Association rules describing relationships between objectives

- If $\text{profit} \geq 140.5$, then $x_B \leq 9.4696$ and $\text{sales} \leq 320.3913$
($s1', s2', s3', s4', s6', s7', s8', s9', s10', s11', s12'$)
- If $\text{time} \leq 140$, then $x_B \leq 10$ and $\text{sales} \leq 300$
($s3', s5', s6', s7', s8', s9', s10', s11', s12'$)
- If $\text{time} \leq 135$, then $\text{sales} \leq 275$
($s3', s6', s7', s8', s9', s10', s11', s12'$)
- If $x_C \leq 1.4522$, then $x_B \leq 9.4696$ and $\text{sales} \leq 320.391$
($s1', s2', s3', s4', s6', s7', s8', s9', s10', s11', s12'$)
- If $\text{time} \leq 135$, then $\text{profit} \leq 192.7143$
($s3', s6', s7', s8', s9', s10', s11', s12'$)
- If $\text{profit} \geq 150$, then $x_A \leq 2$ and $x_C \leq 3.1348$
($s1', s2', s3', s4', s6', s7', s8', s9', s10', s11', s12'$)

Association rules describing relationships between objectives

- If $\text{time} \leq 135$, then $x_A \leq 2$ and $x_B \leq 3.1348$
(s3',s6', s7',s8',s9',s10',s11',s12')
- If $\text{profit} \geq 150$, then $\text{time} \geq 109.7297$
(s1', s6',s7',s8',s9',s10',s11',s12')
- If $x_C \geq 5.4261$, then $x_A \leq 2$ and $x_B \leq 3.1348$
(s1',s3',s6', s7',s8',s9',s10',s11',s12')
- If $\text{sales} \geq 272.9167$, then $\text{time} \geq 134.8959$
(s1',s2', s4',s5',s6',s11',s12')
- If $\text{profit} \geq 150$ and $\text{sales} \geq 254.0541$, then $\text{time} \geq 127.9459$ and $x_A \leq 2$
(s1', s6',s8',s9',s10',s11',s12')
- If $\text{sales} \geq 230.2703$, then $\text{time} \geq 109.7297$
(s1',s2',s4',s5',s6',s7',s8', s9',s10',s11',s12')

Association rules describing relationships between objectives

- If $\text{sales} \geq 230.2703$, then $\text{time} \geq 109.7297$
($s1', s2', s4', s5', s6', s7', s8', s9', s10', s11', s12'$)
- If $\text{sales} \geq 254.0541$, then $\text{time} \geq 127.9459$
($s1', s2', s4', s5', s6', s8', s9', s10', s11', s12'$)

Association rules describing relationships between decision variables

- Describe the Pareto-optimal set in terms of decision variables:
- If $x_A \geq 2$, then $x_B \leq 3.1348$
(s4',s8',s9',s10')
- If $x_C \geq 5.4261$, then $x_A \leq 3$ and $x_B \leq 4$
(s1',s3',s6',s7',s8',s9',s10',s11',s12')

Association rules describing relationships between decision variables and objectives

- If $x_C \leq 6.16$, then $x_B \geq 2$ and sales ≥ 254.05
(s2',s4',s5',s8',s9')
- If $x_C \leq 6.81$, then $x_B \geq 2$
(s2',s3',s4',s5',s7',s8',s9',s10')
- If $x_A \geq 2$, then $x_B \geq 2$ and sales ≥ 254.05
(s4',s8',s9',s10')
- If $x_C \geq 6.81$, then profit ≥ 150 and sales ≥ 230.27
(s1',s6',s7',s11',s12')
- If $x_B \geq 2$ and $x_C \geq 6.75$, then time ≤ 135
(s6',s7',s10',s11',s12')
- If $x_B \geq 3.15$, then sales ≥ 269.7
(s2',s5',s9')

Association rules describing relationships between decision variables and objectives

- If $x_C \geq 10$, then profit ≥ 191.875 and sales ≥ 279.92
(s1',s6',s11')
- If $x_A \geq 1$ and $x_C \geq 9$, then profit ≥ 184.5 and time ≤ 135
(s6',s11',s12')
- If $x_A \geq 2$ and $x_C \geq 5.43$, then profit ≥ 150 and time ≤ 135
(s8',s9',s10')
- If $x_A \leq 1$ and $x_C \geq 9$, then profit ≥ 184.5
(s1',s11',s12')

Sorting of representative efficient solutions (second iteration)

Efficient solution	Profit	Total time	Prod. x_A	Prod. x_B	Prod. x_C	Sales	Class
S1'	210.7143	150	0	2.142857	10	314.2857	*
S2'	140.5	150	0	9.469565	1.452174	320.3913	Bad
S3'	140.5	103.5676	0	2	6.297297	217.4324	Bad
S4'	140.5	150	5.097923	2	4.643917	278.0564	*
S5'	120	140	0	10	0	300	Bad
S6'	191.875	134.8959	1.145835	0	10	272.9167	*
S7'	150	109.7297	0	2	6.810811	230.2703	*
S8'	150	127.9459	2	2	6.162162	254.0541	*
S9'	150	135	2	3.134783	5.426087	269.6957	*
S10'	160.875	135	2	2	6.75	268.75	Good
S11'	192,7143	135	1	0.142857	10	274.2857	*
S12'	184.5	135	1	1	9	275	Good

DRSA decision rules describing «good» solutions

- If $\text{profit} \geq 160.875$ and $x_A \geq 2$,
then product mix is good (s10')
- If $\text{profit} \geq 160.875$ and $x_B \geq 2$,
then product mix is good (s10')
- If $\text{profit} \geq 184.5$ and $\text{time} \leq 135$ and $x_B \geq 1$,
then product mix is good (s12')
- If $\text{profit} \geq 184.5$ and $x_A \geq 1$ and $x_B \geq 1$,
then product mix is good (s12')
- If $x_A \geq 2$ and $x_C \geq 5.75$,
then product mix is good (s10')
- If $\text{time} \leq 135$ and $x_B \geq 1$ and $x_C \geq 9$,
then product mix is good (s12')

DRSA decision rules describing «good» solutions

- If $x_A \geq 1$ and $x_B \geq 1$ and $x_C \geq 9$,
then product mix is good (s12')
- If $\text{time} \leq 135$ and $\text{sales} \geq 275$,
then product mix is good (s12')
- If $\text{profit} \geq 184.5$ and $x_A \geq 1$ and $\text{sales} \geq 275$,
then product mix is good (s12')
- If $x_A \geq 1$ and $x_C \geq 9$ and $\text{sales} \geq 275$,
then product mix is good (s12')
- If $\text{time} \leq 135$ and $x_B \geq 2$ and $x_C \geq 6.75$ and $\text{sales} \geq 275$,
then product mix is good (s10')

DRSA decision rules describing «bad» solutions

- If $\text{profit} \leq 120$,
then product mix is **bad** (s5')
- If $\text{profit} \leq 140.5$ and $x_A \leq 0$,
then product mix is **bad** (s2',s3',s5')
- If $x_C \leq 1.452174$,
then product mix is **bad** (s2',s5')
- If $x_A \leq 0$ and $x_C \leq 6.297$,
then product mix is **bad** (s2',s3',s5')
- If $\text{sales} \leq 217.43245$,
then product mix is **bad** (s3')
- If $\text{time} \geq 140$ and $x_A \leq 0$ and $\text{sales} \leq 300$,
then product mix is **bad** (s5')

Selected decision rules

- DM selected **four** rules as the most adequate to preferences:

r3: If profit ≥ 184.5 and time ≤ 135 and $x_B \geq 1$,
then product mix is good (s12')

r4: If time ≤ 135 and $x_B \geq 2$ and $x_C \geq 6.75$ and sales ≥ 275 ,
then product mix is good (s10')

r5: If profit ≤ 140.5 and $x_A \leq 0$,
then product mix is bad (s2',s3',s5')

r6: If time ≥ 140 and $x_A \leq 0$ and sales ≤ 300 ,
then product mix is bad (s5')

Added constraints for decision rule r3

- Decision rule r3:

If profit ≥ 184.5 and time ≤ 135 and $x_B \geq 1$,
then product mix is good (s12')

- Added constraints to the production mix problem:

- $20x_A + 30x_B + 25x_C - (1x_A + 2x_B + 0.75x_C)6 +$
 $- (0.5x_A + x_B + 0.5x_C)8 + (1-\delta_3)M \geq 184.5$ [profit ≥ 184.5]

- $5x_A + 8x_B + 10x_C + 8x_A + 6x_B + 2x_C - (1-\delta_3)M \leq 135$
[time ≤ 135]

- $x_B + (1-\delta_3)M \geq 1$ [produced quantity of B ≥ 1]

where $\delta_3 \in \{0,1\}$, M big number (10^6); if $\delta_3=1$, then r3 is satisfied

Added constraints for decision rule r4

- Decision rule r4:

If $\text{time} \leq 135$ and $x_B \geq 2$ and $x_C \geq 6.75$ and $\text{sales} \geq 275$,
then product mix is good (s10')

- Added constraints to the production mix problem:

- $5x_A + 8x_B + 10x_C + 8x_A + 6x_B + 2x_C - (1-\delta_4)M \leq 135$ [time ≤ 135]

- $x_B + (1-\delta_4)M \geq 2$ [produced quantity of B ≥ 2]

- $x_C + (1-\delta_4)M \geq 6.75$ [produced quantity of C ≥ 6.75]

- $20x_A + 30x_B + 25x_C + (1-\delta_4)M \geq 275$ [sales ≥ 275]

where $\delta_4 \in \{0,1\}$, M big number (10^6); if $\delta_4=1$, then r4 is satisfied

Condition for filtering good solutions

- A solution is good if it satisfies at least one of decision rules r3 & r4:

$$\delta_3 + \delta_4 \geq 1$$

Added constraints for decision rule r5

- Decision rule r5:

If profit ≤ 140.5 and $x_A \leq 0$,
then product mix is **bad** (s2',s3',s5')

- Added constraints to the production mix problem:

- $20x_A + 30x_B + 25x_C - (1x_A + 2x_B + 0.75x_C)6 +$
 $- (0.5x_A + x_B + 0.5x_C)8 + (1-\delta_{51})M \geq 140.5 + \epsilon$ [profit > 140.5]

- $x_A + (1-\delta_{51})M \geq \epsilon$ [produced quantity of A > 0]

- $\delta_{51} + \delta_{52} \geq 1$

where $\delta_{51}, \delta_{52} \in \{0, 1\}$, M big number (10^6), ϵ small positive (10^{-3})

- A solution is **not bad** if **at least one condition** of r5 **does not hold**

Added constraints for decision rule r6

- Decision rule r6:

If time ≥ 140 and $x_A \leq 0$ and sales ≤ 300 ,
then product mix is **bad** (s5')

- Added constraints to the production mix problem:

- $5x_A + 8x_B + 10x_C + 8x_A + 6x_B + 2x_C - (1-\delta_{61})M \leq 140 - \varepsilon$ [time < 140]
- $x_A + (1-\delta_{62})M \geq \varepsilon$ [produced quantity of A > 0]
- $20x_A + 30x_B + 25x_C + (1-\delta_{63})M \geq 300 + \varepsilon$ [sales > 300]
- $\delta_{61} + \delta_{62} + \delta_{63} \geq 1$

where $\delta_{61}, \delta_{62}, \delta_{63} \in \{0, 1\}$, M big number (10^6), ε small positive (10^{-3})

- A solution is not bad if at least one condition of r6 does not hold

Set of representative efficient solutions (third iteration)

Efficient solution	Profit	Total time	Prod. x_A	Prod. x_B	Prod. x_C	Sales	δ_1	δ_2	δ_3	δ_4
s1''	197.86	135.00	0.00	1.07	10.00	282.14	0	1	1	0
s2''	167.38	130.58	0.00	3.54	6.75	275.00	1	0	0	1
s3''	171.16	135.00	0.00	3.86	6.75	284.46	0	1	0	1
s4''	164.97	135.00	1.20	2.74	6.75	275.00	1	0	0	1
s5''	171.16	135.00	0.00	3.86	6.75	284.46	0	1	0	1
s6''	197.46	135.00	0.08	1.00	10.00	281.54	0	1	1	0
s7''	184.50	135.00	1.00	1.00	9.00	275.00	0	1	1	0
s8''	174.92	135.00	1.00	2.00	7.83	275.83	1	0	0	1
s9''	170.00	135.00	1.00	2.51	7.23	276.26	1	0	0	1
s10''	170.00	134.43	1.00	2.42	7.29	275.00	1	0	0	1

Selected solution (third iteration)

Efficient solution	Profit	Total time	Prod. x_A	Prod. x_B	Prod. x_C	Sales	Class
s1''	197.86	135.00	0.00	1.07	10.00	282.14	*
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s6''	197.46	135.00	0.08	1.00	10.00	281.54	*
s7''	184.50	135.00	1.00	1.00	9.00	275.00	selected
s8''	174.92	135.00	1.00	2.00	7.83	275.83	*
s9''	170.00	135.00	1.00	2.51	7.23	276.26	*
s10''	170.00	134.43	1.00	2.42	7.29	275.00	*

Decision rules explaining the choice

- r7: If profit ≥ 184.5 and $x_A \geq 1$,
then product mix is selected (s7'')
- r8: If $x_A \geq 1$ and $x_C \geq 9$,
then product mix is selected (s7'')

Summing up ...

Efficient solution	Profit	Total time	Prod. x_A	Prod. x_B	Prod. x_C	Sales	δ_1 Rule r1	δ_2 Rule r2	δ_3 Rule r3	δ_4 Rule r4
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s3''	171.16	135.00	0.00	3.86	6.75	284.46	0	1	0	1
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s6''	197.46	135.00	0.08	1.00	10.00	281.54	0	1	1	0
s7''	184.50	135.00	1.00	1.00	9.00	275.00	0	1	1	0
s8''	174.92	135.00	1.00	2.00	7.83	275.83	1	0	0	1
s9''	170.00	135.00	1.00	2.51	7.23	276.26	1	0	0	1
s10''	170.00	134.43	1.00	2.42	7.29	275.00	1	0	0	1

Reasons for choosing solution s7''

Efficient solution	Profit	Total time	Prod. x_A	Prod. x_B	Prod. x_C	Sales
s7''	184.50	135.00	1.00	1.00	9.00	275.00

- S7'' is good because profit ≥ 140.5 & time ≤ 150 & $x_B \geq 2$ (decision rule r2)
- S7'' is good because profit ≥ 184.5 & time ≤ 135 & $x_B \geq 1$ (decision rule r3)
- S7'' is not bad because profit > 140.5 (decision rule r5)
- S7'' is not bad because $x_A > 0$ (decision rules r5 & r6)
- S7'' is not bad because time < 140 (decision rule r6)
- S7'' is good because profit ≥ 184.5 & $x_A \geq 1$ (decision rule r7)
- S7'' is good because $x_A \geq 1$ & $x_C \geq 9$ (decision rule r8)

Main features of the DRSA-IMO interactive method

- The method is based on **ordinal properties** of values of objective functions (**the weakest possible**)
- At each step, the method **does not aggregate** the objective functions **into a single value** (**no scalarization** is involved)
- DM learns from **association rules** about the **shape of Pareto-optimal set**
- DM gives **preference information** by answering **easy questions** in terms of sorting into **good** and **bad**, **without using any technical parameters**, such as weights, tradeoffs, thresholds,...
- Both **association** and **decision rules** are easily **understandable** and **intelligible** for DM („glass box”) – DM can **identify solutions** supporting each rule & see **relationships between decision variables & objectives**
- They enable **argumentation**, **explanation** and **justification** of the final decision as a conclusion of a **decision process**

Decision rule approach
to interactive multiobjective optimization
under risk and uncertainty

DRSA to IMO under uncertainty – portfolio selection

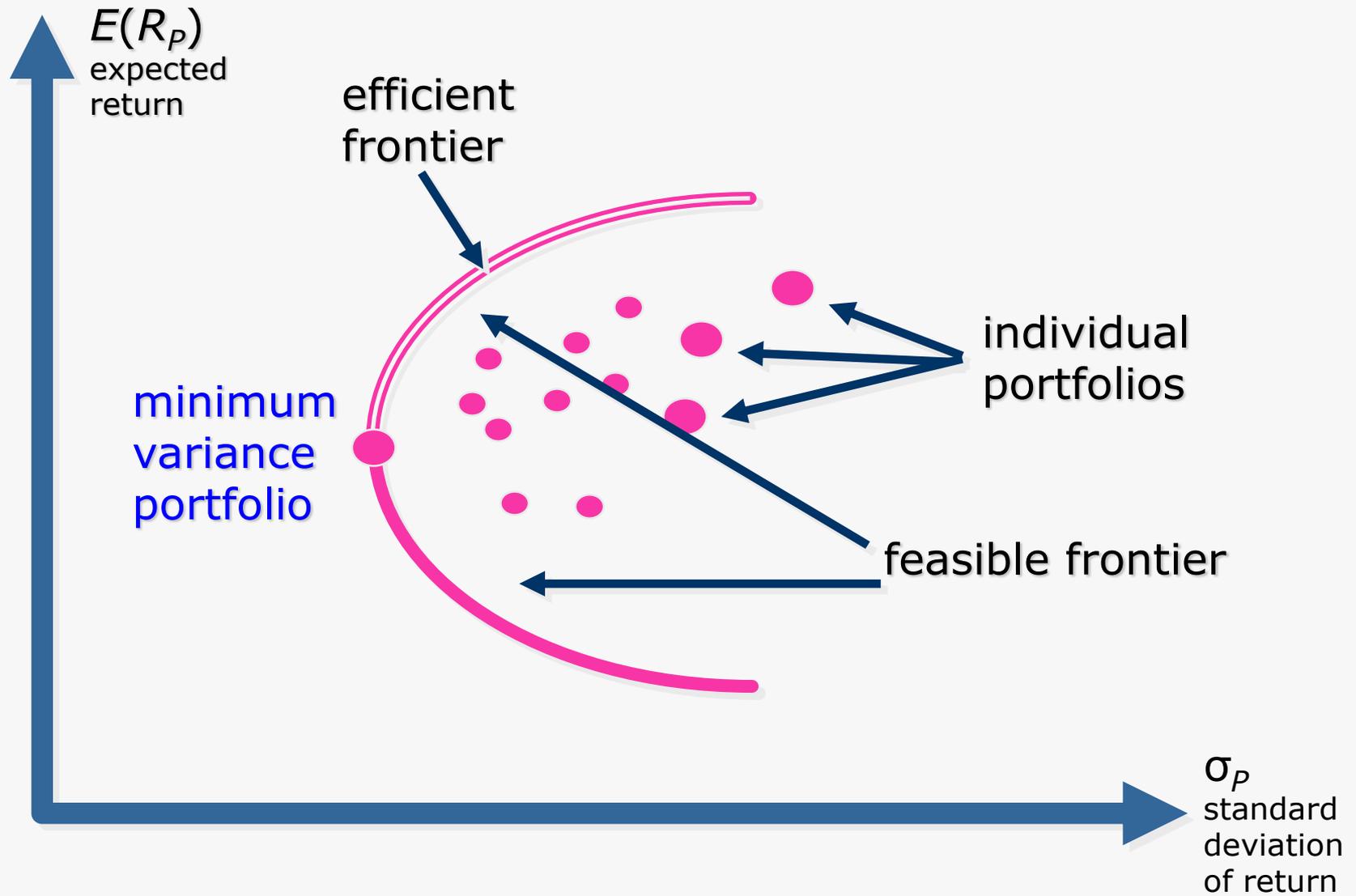
- Three securities: S_1, S_2, S_3 , with probability distributions on returns
- Expected returns of the securities:

$$R_1=12\%, R_2=14\%, R_3=16\%$$

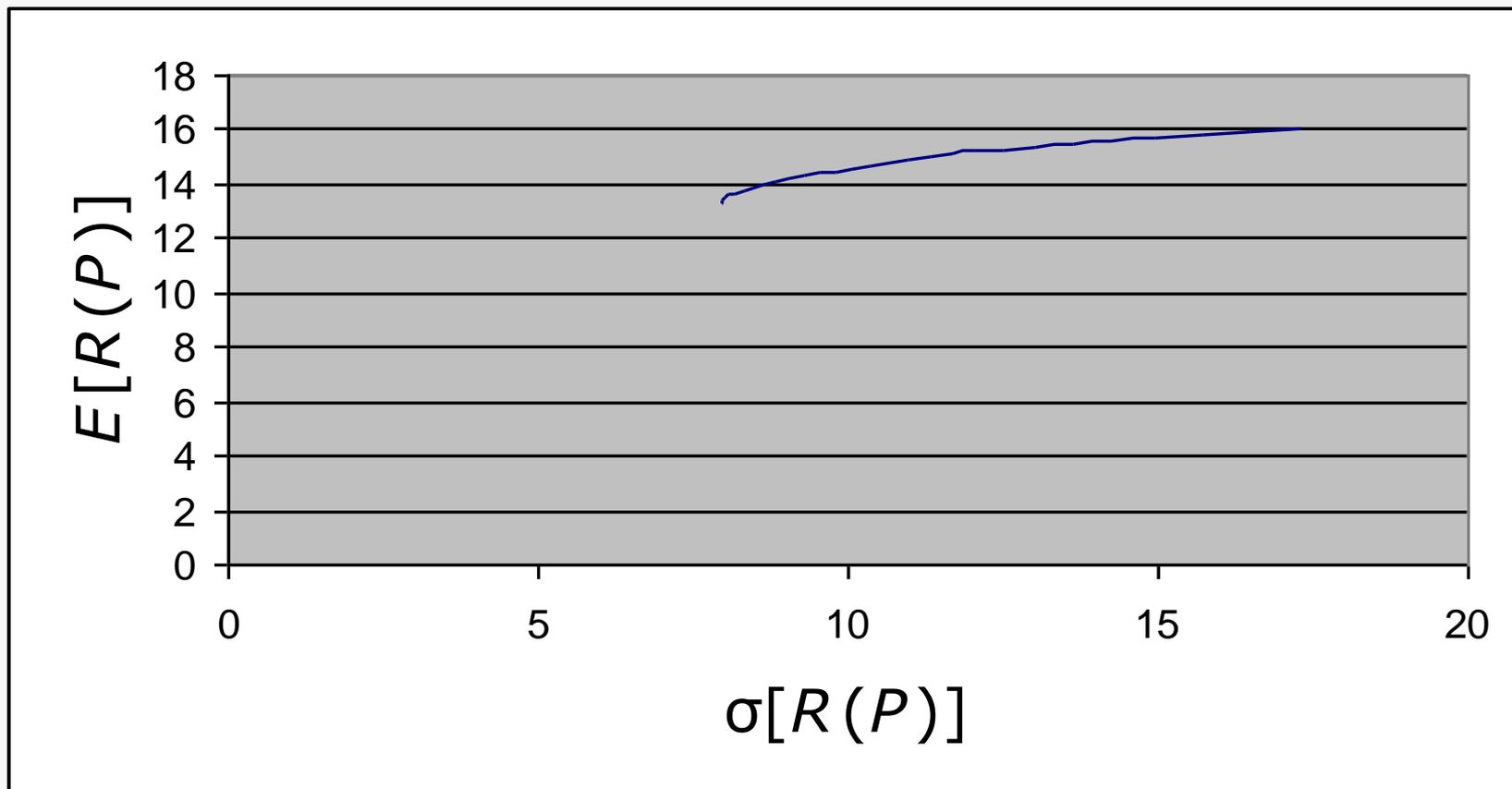
- Matrix of Variance-Covariance of return
(yellow=variance; blue=covariance)

securities	S_1	S_2	S_3
S_1	100	50	-20
S_2	50	200	10
S_3	-20	10	300

The efficient frontier of risky portfolios



Efficient frontier of risky portfolios



The trap of standard deviation as a risk measure

- Consider the coin tossing (heads or tails) game

	heads	tails	mean	std dev
lottery 1	100 €	100 €	100 €	0
lottery 2	200 €	100 €	150 €	50

- If the utility function used for evaluating the lotteries:

$U(\text{lottery}) = \text{mean} - \lambda \times \text{std dev}$, and, e.g., $\lambda=2$, then

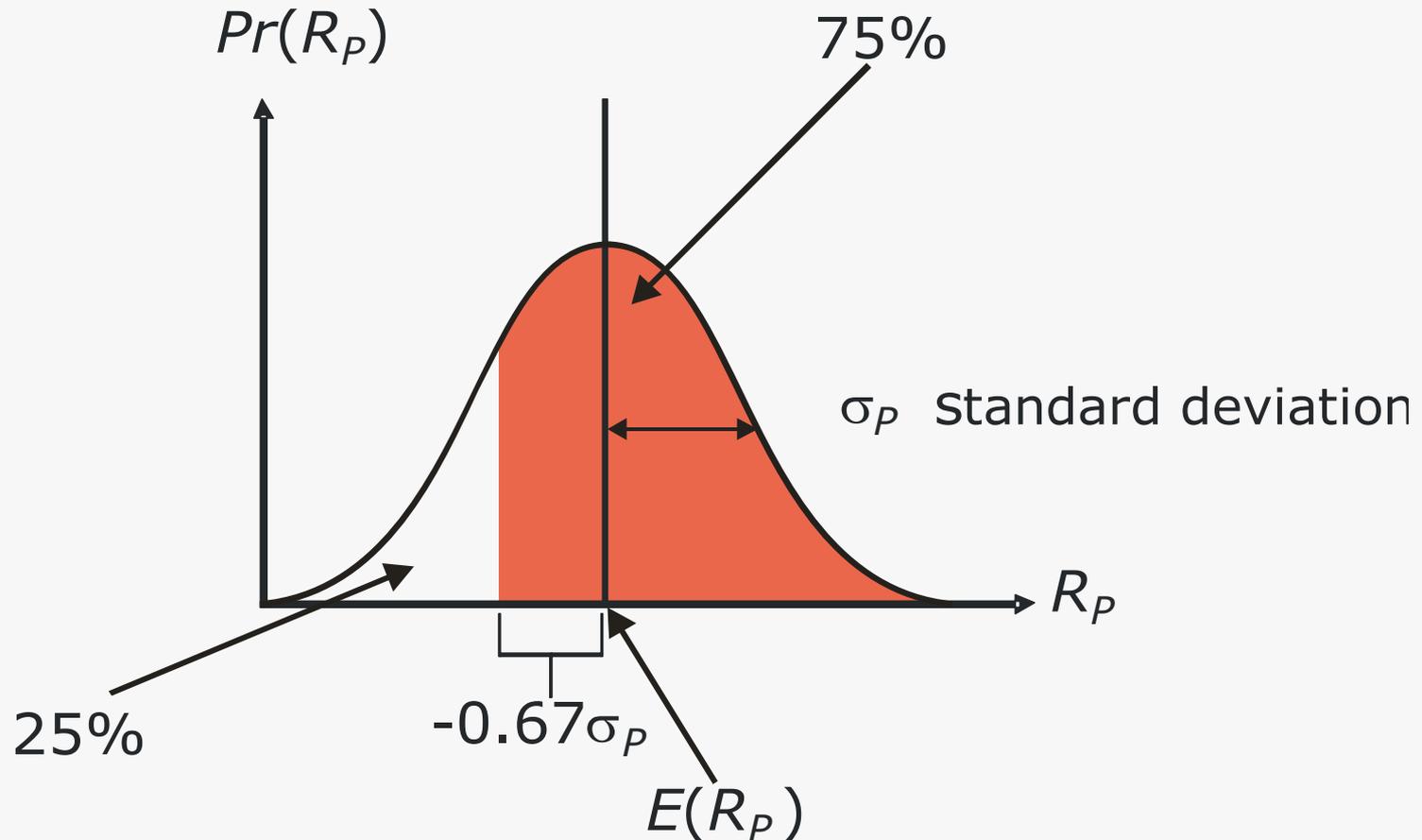
$U(\text{lottery 1}) = 100 - 0 = 100$, $U(\text{lottery 2}) = 150 - 100 = 50$, thus

paradoxically, lottery 1 \succ lottery 2

Distribution of return for portfolio P

$$R_{\pi}(P) = E[R(P)] + \lambda_{\pi} \times \sigma[R(P)], \text{ e.g., } \pi = 75\%$$

$R_{75\%}(P)$ quantile



In 75% of best cases, portfolio P will give return **at least** $E(R_p) - 0.67\sigma_p$
or in 25% of worst cases, portfolio P will give return **at most** $E(R_p) - 0.67\sigma_p$

Set of representative efficient solutions (first iteration)

Portfolio	w_1	w_2	w_3	$E[R(P)]$	$\sigma[R(P)]$	$R_{1\%}(P)$	$R_{25\%}(P)$	$R_{50\%}(P)$	$R_{75\%}(P)$	$R_{99\%}(P)$	Class
P1	0.39	0.29	0.32	13.86	8.43	33.50	19.51	13.86	8.21	-5.78	*
P2	0.21	0.22	0.57	14.71	10.64	39.49	21.84	14.71	7.58	-10.07	*
P3	0.01	0.48	0.51	15.01	11.39	41.55	22.64	15.01	7.37	-11.54	*
P4	0.61	0.04	0.35	13.50	8.30	32.82	19.05	13.50	7.94	-5.83	*
P5	0.43	0.39	0.18	13.52	8.58	33.51	19.27	13.52	7.77	-6.48	Good
P6	0.51	0.46	0.03	13.04	9.58	35.37	19.46	13.04	6.62	-9.29	*
P7	0.52	0.20	0.29	13.54	8.03	32.24	18.92	13.54	8.16	-5.16	Good
P8	0.54	0.04	0.42	13.75	8.70	34.03	19.58	13.75	7.92	-6.53	Good
P9	0.34	0.21	0.45	14.22	9.16	35.57	20.36	14.22	8.08	-7.13	*
P10	0.54	0.22	0.23	13.38	7.99	32.01	18.74	13.38	8.03	-5.24	Good
P11	0.60	0.15	0.25	13.28	7.94	31.78	18.60	13.28	7.97	-5.21	*
P12	0.53	0.19	0.28	13.5	8.00	32.14	18.86	13.5	8.14	-5.14	Good
P13	0.37	0.26	0.37	14	8.62	34.09	19.78	14	8.224	-6.09	Good
P14	0.21	0.34	0.46	14.5	9.79	37.30	21.06	14.5	7.94	-8.30	Good
P15	0.04	0.41	0.54	15	11.33	41.39	22.59	15	7.41	-11.39	*
P16	0	0.25	0.75	15.5	13.60	47.19	24.61	15.5	6.39	-16.19	*
P17	0	0	1	16	17.32	56.36	27.60	16	4.40	-24.36	Good

Induction of DRSA decision rules wrt stochastic dominance

- 19 rules were induced with the following frequency of the presence of objectives in the premise:
- $R_{1\%}(P)$: 6/19
- $R_{25\%}(P)$: 5/19
- $R_{50\%}(P)$: 5/19
- $R_{75\%}(P)$: 5/19
- $R_{99\%}(P)$: 12/19

The most interesting DRSA decision rules

- If $R_{1\%}(P) \geq 32.01\%$ and $R_{99\%}(P) \geq -5.24\%$,
then portfolio is good (P7, P10, P12)
- If $R_{25\%}(P) \geq 18.74\%$ and $R_{99\%}(P) \geq -5.24\%$,
then portfolio is good (P7, P10, P12)
- If $R_{50\%}(P) \geq 13.38\%$ and $R_{99\%}(P) \geq -5.24\%$,
then portfolio is good (P7, P10, P12)
- If $R_{75\%}(P) \geq 8.03\%$ and $R_{99\%}(P) \geq -5.24\%$,
then portfolio is good (P7, P10, P12)
- If $R_{1\%}(P) \geq 33.51\%$ and $R_{99\%}(P) \geq -6.48\%$,
then portfolio is good (P5, P13)
- If $R_{1\%}(P) \geq 34.03\%$ and $R_{99\%}(P) \geq -6.53\%$,
then portfolio is good (P8, P13)
- If $R_{50\%}(P) \geq 16\%$, then portfolio is good (P17)
- If $R_{50\%}(P) \geq 14.5\%$ and $R_{99\%}(P) \geq -8.3\%$,
then portfolio is good (P14)

Selected decision rule and corresponding added constraints

- The DM selected the following rule as the most adequate to his preferences:

If $R_{75\%}(P) \geq 8.03\%$ and $R_{99\%}(P) \geq -5.24\%$,
then portfolio is good (P7, P10, P12)

- Added constraints to the portfolio selection problem:
 - $R_{75\%}(P) = E[R(P)] - 0.67 \times \sigma [R(P)] \geq 8.03\%$
 - $R_{99\%}(P) = E[R(P)] - 2.33 \times \sigma [R(P)] \geq -5.24\%$

Set of representative efficient solutions (second iteration)

Portfolio	w_1	w_2	w_3	$E[R(P)]$	$\sigma[R(P)]$	$R_{1\%}(P)$	$R_{25\%}(P)$	$R_{50\%}(P)$	$R_{75\%}(P)$	$R_{99\%}(P)$	Class
P1'	0.52	0.20	0.29	13.86	8.03	32.24	18.92	13.54	8.16	-5.16	*
P2'	0.54	0.19	0.27	14.71	7.98	32.04	18.80	13.45	8.11	-5.13	Good
P3'	0.54	0.20	0.26	15.01	7.98	32.05	18.80	13.45	8.10	-5.15	*
P4'	0.50	0.23	0.27	13.50	8.05	32.29	18.93	13.53	8.14	-5.22	Good
P5'	0.53	0.18	0.29	13.52	8.02	32.20	18.89	13.52	8.15	-5.16	Good
P6'	0.57	0.16	0.27	13.04	7.96	31.93	18.72	13.39	8.06	-5.14	Good
P7'	0.54	0.16	0.30	13.54	8.02	32.20	18.89	13.51	8.14	-5.18	*
P8'	0.52	0.21	0.27	13.75	8.01	32.14	18.85	13.49	8.12	-5.17	*
P9'	0.59	0.12	0.29	14.22	7.99	32.00	18.74	13.39	8.04	-5.22	*
P10'	0.59	0.12	0.30	13.38	8.00	32.06	18.78	13.42	8.05	-5.23	*
P11'	0.58	0.16	0.26	13.35	7.94	31.86	18.67	13.35	8.03	-5.16	*
P12'	0.49	0.20	0.30	13.62	8.10	32.49	19.05	13.62	8.20	-5.24	Good
P13'	0.57	0.17	0.27	13.40	7.96	31.94	18.73	13.4	8.07	-5.14	*
P14'	0.55	0.18	0.27	13.45	7.97	32.03	18.79	13.45	8.11	-5.13	Good
P15'	0.53	0.18	0.28	13.50	8.00	32.14	18.86	13.5	8.14	-5.14	*
P16'	0.50	0.20	0.30	13.60	8.07	32.41	19.01	13.6	8.19	-5.21	Good

Induction of DRSA decision rules wrt stochastic dominance

- **5 rules** were induced with the following frequency of the presence of objectives in the premise:
- $R_{1\%}(P): 1/5$
- $R_{25\%}(P): 1/5$
- $R_{50\%}(P): 1/5$
- $R_{75\%}(P): 1/5$
- $R_{99\%}(P): 1/5$

The most interesting DRSA decision rules

- If $R_{1\%}(P) \geq 32.29\%$,
then portfolio is good (P4', P12', P16')
- If $R_{25\%}(P) \geq 18.93\%$,
then portfolio is good (P4', P12', P16')
- If $R_{50\%}(P) \geq 13.6\%$,
then portfolio is good (P12', P16')
- If $R_{75\%}(P) \geq 8.19\%$,
then portfolio is good (P12', P16')
- If $R_{99\%}(P) \geq -5.13\%$,
then portfolio is good (P2', P14')

Selected decision rule and corresponding added constraints

- The DM selected the following rule as the most adequate to his preferences:

If $R_{25\%}(P) \geq 18.93\%$,

then portfolio is good

(P4', P12', P16')

- Added constraint to the portfolio selection problem:
 - $R_{25\%}(P) = E[R(P)] + 0.67 \times \sigma [R(P)] \geq 18.93\%$

Set of representative efficient solutions (third iteration)

Portfolio	w_1	w_2	w_3	$E[R(P)]$	$\sigma[R(P)]$	$R_{1\%}(P)$	$R_{25\%}(P)$	$R_{50\%}(P)$	$R_{75\%}(P)$	$R_{99\%}(P)$	Class
P1''	0.50	0.20	0.30	13.59	8.07	32.38	18.99	13.59	8.18	-5.20	*
P2''	0.49	0.20	0.30	13.62	8.09	32.48	19.04	13.62	8.20	-5.24	*
P3''	0.50	0.19	0.31	13.62	8.09	32.47	19.04	13.62	8.20	-5.23	*
P4''	0.51	0.20	0.29	13.55	8.03	32.27	18.93	13.55	8.17	-5.17	*
P5''	0.50	0.22	0.28	13.55	8.05	32.31	18.95	13.55	8.16	-5.20	*
P6''	0.50	0.21	0.28	13.55	8.04	32.29	18.94	13.55	8.16	-5.19	*
P7''	0.52	0.17	0.30	13.56	8.04	32.30	18.95	13.56	8.17	-5.19	*
P8''	0.50	0.21	0.29	13.59	8.07	32.38	18.99	13.59	8.18	-5.21	*
P9''	0.49	0.23	0.28	13.58	8.07	32.39	18.99	13.58	8.17	-5.23	*
P10'	0.50	0.20	0.30	13.56	8.05	32.33	18.96	13.56	8.16	-5.21	*
P11''	0.52	0.19	0.29	13.55	8.03	32.26	18.93	13.55	8.17	-5.17	*
P12''	0.49	0.20	0.30	13.62	8.10	32.49	19.05	13.62	8.20	-5.24	Best
P13''	0.51	0.20	0.29	13.57	8.05	32.33	18.96	13.57	8.18	-5.19	*
P14''	0.5	0.2	0.3	13.60	8.07	32.41	19.01	13.60	8.19	-5.21	*

Application of monotonic rules
to non-ordinal classification

DRSA for classification with unknown monotonicity constraints

■ Attributes with unknown monotonic relationship w.r.t. decision

1. **Ordinal** (number-coded) attributes

- qualitative (small (1), medium (2), ..., large (k): e.g., **size**)
- quantitative (numerical: e.g., **temperature**)

Each ordinal attribute a_i is replaced by 2 criteria:

gain-type criterion q'_i and **cost**-type criterion q''_i

2. **Nominal** (not ordered) attributes (blue, red, ..., white: e.g., **color**)

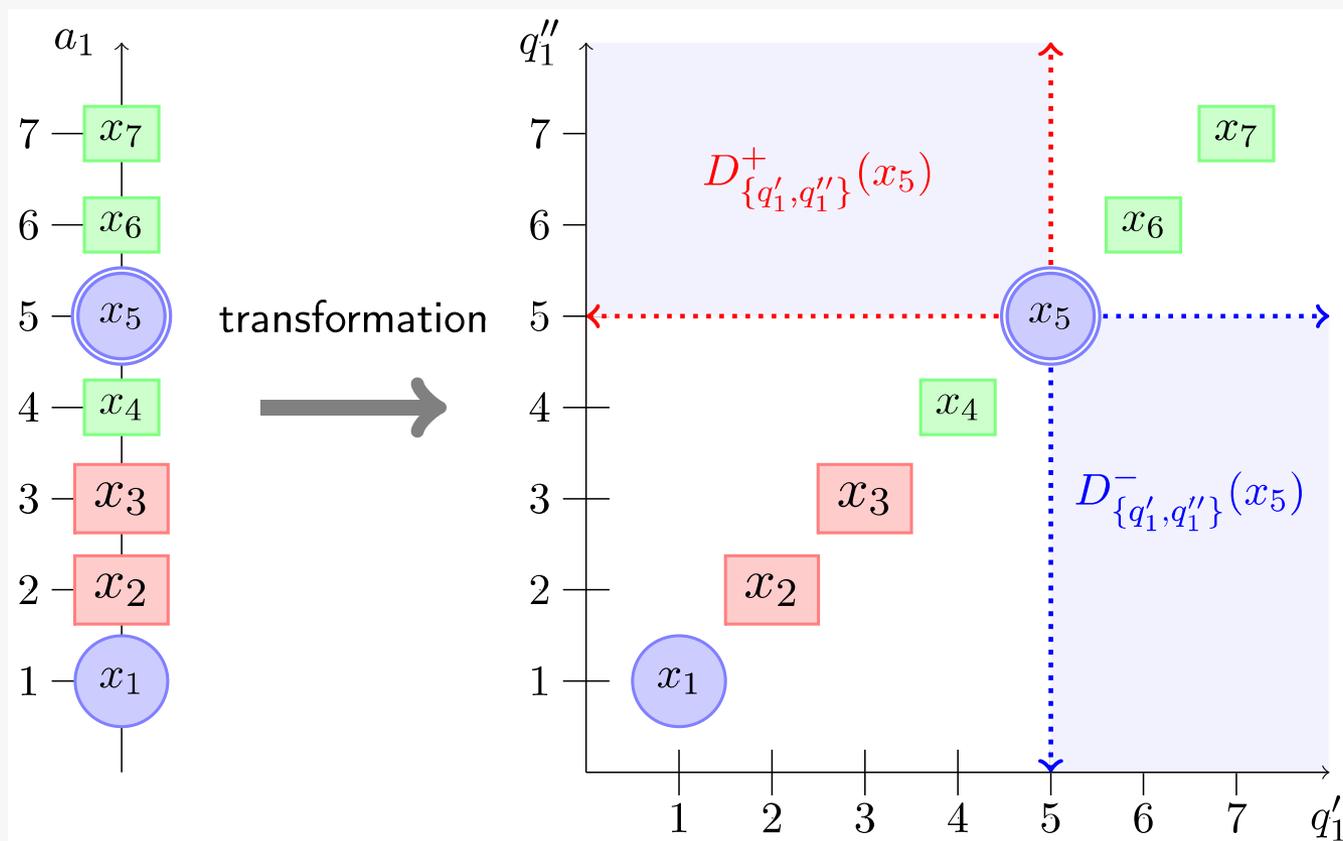
Each nominal attribute a_i (taking 1 of k values, $k > 2$)

is replaced by $2 \times k$ binary criteria: for each $h \in \{1, \dots, k\}$,

gain-type 0-1 criterion $q'_i(h)$ and **cost**-type 0-1 criterion $q''_i(h)$

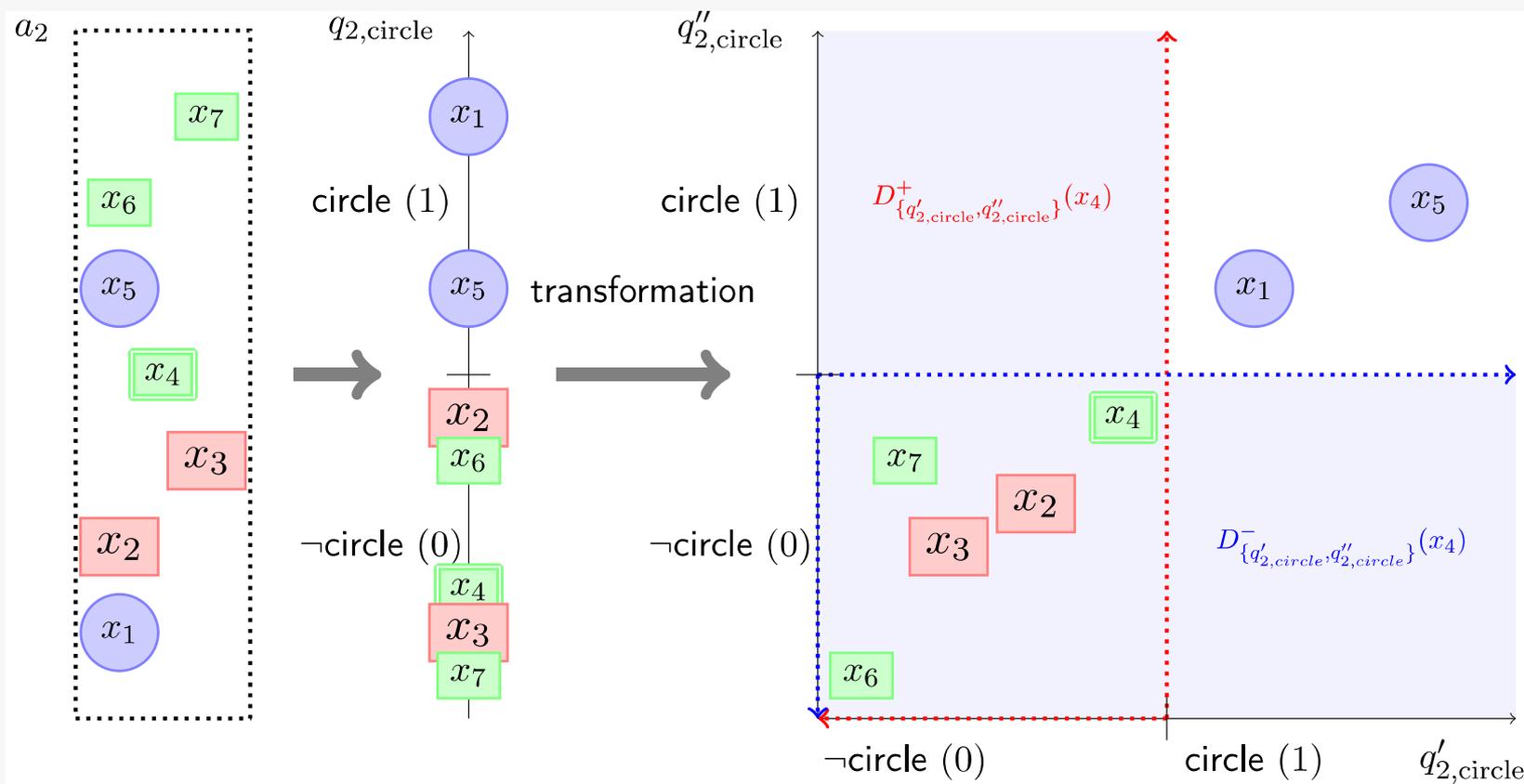
DRSA for classification with unknown monotonicity constraints

- Each **ordinal** (number-coded) attribute a_i is replaced by **gain-type** criterion q'_i and **cost-type** criterion q''_i
- Indiscernibility granules wrt $a_1 \Rightarrow$ dominance cones wrt $\{q'_1, q''_1\}$:



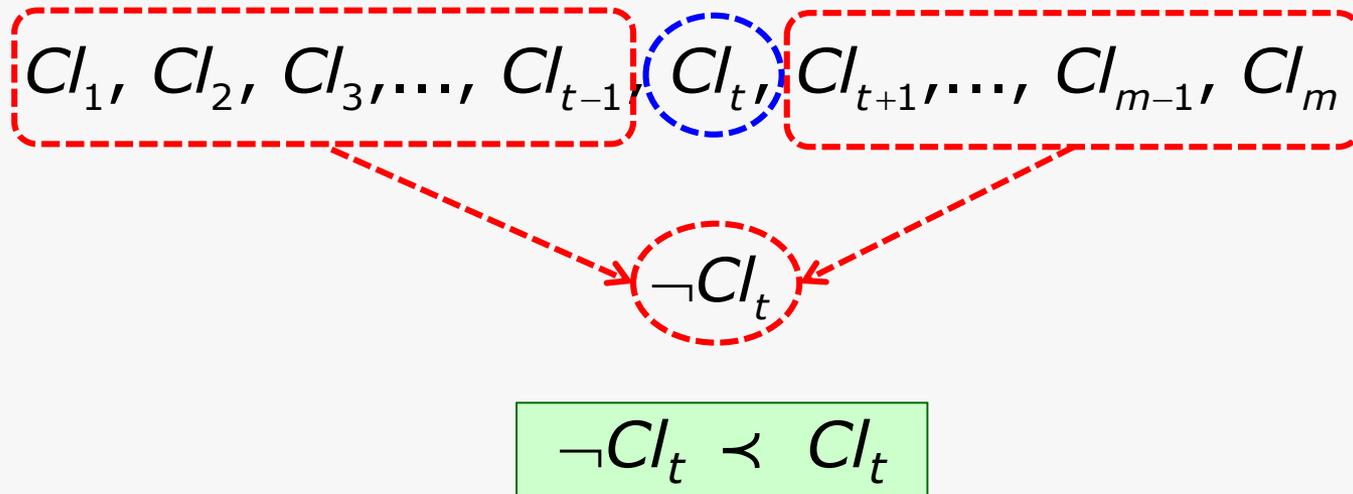
DRSA for classification with unknown monotonicity constraints

- Each one of $k > 2$ values of a **nominal** attribute a_i is replaced by 0-1 **gain**-type criterion q'_i and 0-1 **cost**-type criterion q''_i
- Indiscernibility granules wrt $a_1 \Rightarrow$ **dominance cones** wrt $\{q'_1, q''_1\}$:



DRSA for classification with unknown monotonicity constraints

- Decision attribute d makes partition of U into a finite number of non-ordered decision classes $\mathbf{CI} = \{Cl_t, t=1, \dots, m\}$
- Using DRSA, one approximates:
 - in case of $m=2$ (binary classification): Cl_1 and $\neg Cl_1 = Cl_2$
 - in case of $m>2$: Cl_t and $\neg Cl_t$, for each $t \in \{1, \dots, k\}$, i.e.



Induction of monotonic decision rules for non-ordinal classification

- Induction of monotonic decision rules from rough approximations:

- *positive decision rules*, supported by objects $\in \underline{P}^{\varepsilon_{Cl_t}}(Cl_t)$

if $x_{q'1} \succeq_{q'1} r_{q'1}$ and $x_{q''1} \preceq_{q''1} r_{q''1}$ and $x_{q'2} \succeq_{q'2} r_{q'2}$ and $x_{q''2} \preceq_{q''2} r_{q''2}$ and ...
 $x_{q'p} \succeq_{q'p} r_{q'p}$ and $x_{q''p} \preceq_{q''p} r_{q''p}$, then $x \in Cl_t$

- *negative decision rules*, supported by objects $\in \underline{P}^{\varepsilon_{\neg Cl_t}}(\neg Cl_t)$

if $x_{q'1} \preceq_{q'1} r_{q'1}$ and $x_{q''1} \succeq_{q''1} r_{q''1}$ and $x_{q'2} \preceq_{q'2} r_{q'2}$ and $x_{q''2} \succeq_{q''2} r_{q''2}$ and ...
 $x_{q'p} \preceq_{q'p} r_{q'p}$ and $x_{q''p} \succeq_{q''p} r_{q''p}$, then $x \in \neg Cl_t$

- Consistency of induced monotonic decision rules is controlled by consistency measure ε

Example of application of DRSA to non-ordinal data

Set of patients after radical prostatectomy.

Id	Age	Gleason	PSA	Volume	Recurrence
1	60	10	2.0	large	other
2	20	7	1.2	large	local
3	40	4	0.1	medium	local
4	45	2	0.8	medium	no
5	50	3	0.3	small	local
6	50	3	0.3	small	no
7	40	7	0.5	small	no
8	25	5	0.4	small	no
9	25	2	0.5	small	no
10	40	4	0.5	small	no

Example of application of DRSA to non-ordinal data

Transformed set of patients after radical prostatectomy—binary classification into “no” and “¬ no”.

Id	Age'	Age''	Gleason'	Gleason''	PSA'	PSA''	V-s'	V-s''	V-m'	V-m''	V-l'	V-l''	R-no
	↑	↓	↑	↓	↑	↓	↑	↓	↑	↓	↑	↓	↑
1	60	60	10	10	2.0	2.0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0
2	20	20	7	7	1.2	1.2	0	0	0	0	1	1	0
3	40	40	4	4	0.2	0.2	0	0	1	1	0	0	0
4	45	45	2	2	0.8	0.8	0	0	1	1	0	0	1
5	50	50	3	3	0.3	0.3	1	1	0	0	0	0	0
6	50	50	3	3	0.3	0.3	1	1	0	0	0	0	1
7	40	40	7	7	0.6	0.6	1	1	0	0	0	0	1
8	25	25	5	5	0.4	0.4	1	1	0	0	0	0	1
9	25	25	2	2	0.5	0.5	1	1	0	0	0	0	1
10	40	40	4	4	0.5	0.5	1	1	0	0	0	0	1

Example of application of DRSA to non-ordinal data

- Two decision rules are sufficient to cover all consistent objects from the table with binary classification „no” and „¬no” for recurrence

1 : *if Gleason'' ≥ 4 and V-s' ≤ 0 , then R-no ≤ 0 ,*

2 : *if PSA' ≥ 0.4 and PSA'' ≤ 0.8 , then R-no ≥ 1 .*

- Elementary condition $V-s' \leq 0$ from the rule 1) is be read as: „Volume is not small”. After returning to original scales:

1 : *if Gleason ≥ 4 and Volume $\in \{\text{medium, large}\}$,
then Recurrence is ¬no,*

2 : *if PSA $\in [0.4,0.8]$, then Recurrence is no.*

Example of application of DRSA to non-ordinal data

- Two decision rules are sufficient to cover all consistent objects from the table with binary classification „local” and „¬local” for recurrence

3 : *if Age ≥ 25 and PSA ≥ 0.4 , then Recurrence is ¬local,*

4 : *if Age ≤ 40 and Volume $\in \{\text{medium, large}\}$, then Recurrence is local.*

- Other two rules are sufficient to cover all consistent objects from the table with binary classification „other” and „¬other” for recurrence

5 : *if PSA ≤ 1.2 , then Recurrence is ¬other,*

6 : *if PSA ≥ 2 , then Recurrence is other.*

Application of monotonic decision rules to non-ordinal classification

- Recommendation is based on a **score** coefficient that involves **confidence** and **coverage** of rules matching object x
- Let $\varphi_1 \rightarrow Cl_t, \dots, \varphi_k \rightarrow Cl_t$, be the rules matching x ,
 $||\varphi_j||$ is a set of objects with property φ_j , $j=1, \dots, k$
- For classified object x , the **score** is calculated for each Cl_t , $t=1, \dots, m$

$$\text{score}(Cl_t, x) = \boxed{Pr(\varphi_1 \vee \dots \vee \varphi_k \mid Cl_t)} \times \boxed{Pr(Cl_t \mid \varphi_1 \vee \dots \vee \varphi_k)}$$

$$\boxed{Pr(\varphi_1 \vee \dots \vee \varphi_k \mid Cl_t) = \frac{|(\|\varphi_1\| \cap Cl_t) \cup \dots \cup (\|\varphi_k\| \cap Cl_t)|}{|Cl_t|} = \text{conf}(\varphi_1 \vee \dots \vee \varphi_k \rightarrow Cl_t)}$$

$$\boxed{Pr(Cl_t \mid \varphi_1 \vee \dots \vee \varphi_k) = \frac{|(\|\varphi_1\| \cap Cl_t) \cup \dots \cup (\|\varphi_k\| \cap Cl_t)|}{|\|\varphi_1\| \cup \dots \cup \|\varphi_k\||} = \text{cov}(\varphi_1 \vee \dots \vee \varphi_k \rightarrow Cl_t)}$$

Application of monotonic decision rules to non-ordinal classification

- $score(Cl_t) = -score(\neg Cl_t)$

Recommendation: $x \rightarrow Cl_t$

where $Cl_t = \underset{t \in \{1, \dots, m\}}{arg \max} (score(Cl_t, x))$

J. Błaszczyszński, S. Greco, R. Słowiński: Multi-criteria classification – a new scheme for application of dominance-based decision rules. *European J. Operational Research*, 181 (2007) 1030-1044

Example of application of DRSA to non-ordinal data

■ Classification of patient (x_{11}) using the six rules

Id	Age' ↑	Age'' ↓	Gleason' ↑	Gleason'' ↓	PSA' ↑	PSA'' ↓	V-s' ↑	V-s'' ↓	V-m' ↑	V-m'' ↓	V-l' ↑	V-l'' ↓
11	30	30	2	2	0.6	0.6	1	1	0	0	0	0

■ The patient is covered by the following rules:

- rule 2, suggesting assignment to class “no”,
- rule 3, dissuading assignment to class “local” (i.e. suggesting assignment to “ \neg local”),
- rule 5, dissuading assignment to class “other” (i.e. suggesting assignment to “ \neg other”).

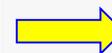
■ The result of classification is as follows:

$$score_{r_{no}}(no, x_{11}) = \frac{5^2}{5 \times 5} = 1,$$

$$score_{r_{\neg local}}(\neg local, x_{11}) = \frac{6^2}{6 \times 6} = 1,$$

$$score_{r_{\neg other}}(\neg other, x_{11}) = \frac{9^2}{9 \times 9} = 1,$$

$$\begin{aligned} score(no, x_{11}) &= 1, \\ score(local, x_{11}) &= -1, \\ score(other, x_{11}) &= -1. \end{aligned}$$



No recurrence
for x_{11}

Examples of Applications of DRSA

Intervention based on „at least” and „at most” rules

- The „at least” rules

if $x_{q_1} \succeq_{q_1} r_{q_1}$ and $x_{q_2} \succeq_{q_2} r_{q_2}$ and ... $x_{q_p} \succeq_{q_p} r_{q_p}$, then $x \in \text{Class}_t^{\geq}$

indicate **opportunities for improving** the assignment of object x to Class_t or better, if it was not assigned as high, and its score on q_1, \dots, q_p would grow to r_{q_1, \dots, q_p}

- The „at most” rules

if $x_{q_1} \preceq_{q_1} r_{q_1}$ and $x_{q_2} \preceq_{q_2} r_{q_2}$ and ... $x_{q_p} \preceq_{q_p} r_{q_p}$, then $x \in \text{Class}_t^{\leq}$

indicate **threats for deteriorating** the assignment of object x to Class_t or worse, if it was not assigned as low, and its score on q_1, \dots, q_p would drop to r_{q_1, \dots, q_p}

$$\text{incr}_{SS'}(\Psi) = \sum_{\emptyset \subset P \subseteq N} \left[\text{cer}_S(\Phi, \Psi) \times \text{cer}_{S'} \left(\neg \Psi, \bigwedge_{i \in P} \neg \Phi_i \wedge \bigwedge_{j \notin P} \Phi_j \right) \right] \times \frac{\|\neg \Psi\|_{S'}}{|U'|}$$

Intervention based on „at least” and „at most” rules - example

- Example: customer satisfaction analysis by a *Company*
- 44 questions and 3 classes of overall satisfaction: *High*, *Medium*, *Low*

Threats of deterioration of satisfaction

Deterioration from **High** or **Medium** to **Low** satisfaction

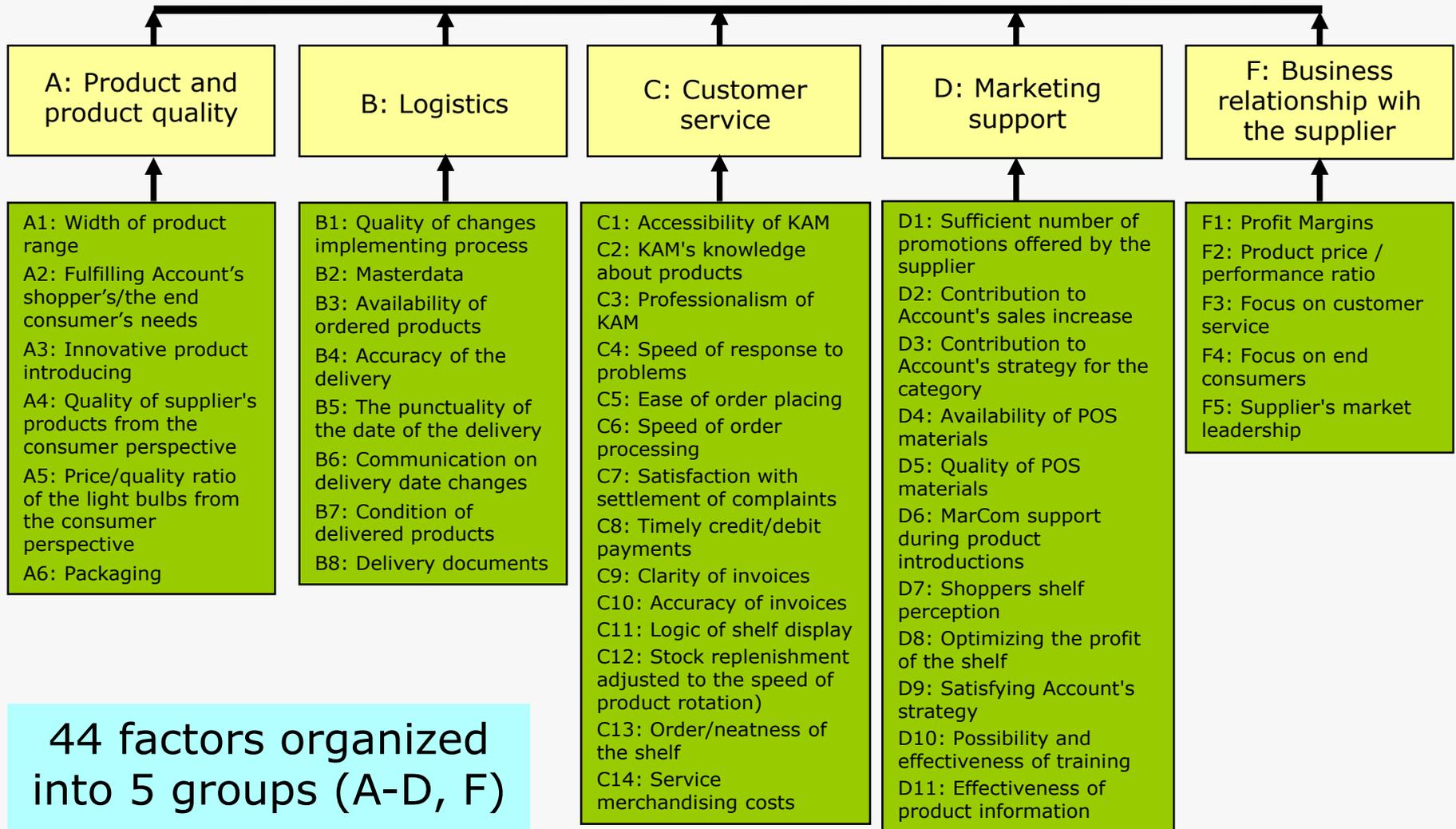
Deterioration from **High** to **Medium** or **Low** satisfaction

Opportunities for improvement of satisfaction

Improvement from **Low** to **Medium** or **High** satisfaction

Improvement from **Low** or **Medium** to **High** satisfaction

Factors for Consumer Channel



44 factors organized into 5 groups (A-D, F)

Decision rules induced from customer data structured by DRSA

Certain **at least** rules

- If (F1 \succeq 5) \Rightarrow (SATISFACTION \succeq HIGH)
- If (A1 \succeq 4) & (E2 \succeq 5) \Rightarrow (SATISFACTION \succeq HIGH)
- If (A3 \succeq 5) & (C3 \succeq 5) \Rightarrow (SATISFACTION \succeq HIGH)
- If (A1 \succeq 5) & (C4 \succeq 5) \Rightarrow (SATISFACTION \succeq HIGH)
- If (F1 \succeq 4) \Rightarrow (SATISFACTION \succeq MEDIUM)
- If (A1 \succeq 4) & (C3 \succeq 3) \Rightarrow (SATISFACTION \succeq MEDIUM)

Certain **at most** rules

- If (C4 \preceq 2) \Rightarrow (SATISFACTION \preceq LOW)
- If (F1 \preceq 2) \Rightarrow (SATISFACTION \preceq LOW)
- If (A1 \preceq 2) \Rightarrow (SATISFACTION \preceq MEDIUM)
- If (C1 \preceq 2) \Rightarrow (SATISFACTION \preceq MEDIUM)
- If (B2 \preceq 2) \Rightarrow (SATISFACTION \preceq MEDIUM)
- If (E3 \preceq 3) \Rightarrow (SATISFACTION \preceq MEDIUM)
- If (A3 \preceq 4) & (A4 \preceq 4) \Rightarrow (SATISFACTION \preceq MEDIUM)
- If (A3 \preceq 4) & (C3 \preceq 4) \Rightarrow (SATISFACTION \preceq MEDIUM)

Intervention based on monotonic rules - example

At least rule:

If (A3 \geq 4) & (C3 \geq 3), then Satisfaction \succeq *Medium*

$$incr_{SS'}(Medium) = 77\%$$

Opportunity: if

- **A3 \geq 4**, and
- **C3 \geq 3**, then

satisfaction of 77% of customers with Satisfaction = *Low* will improve to *Medium* or *High*

Intervention based on monotonic rules - example

At most rule:

If (A2 ≤ 3) & (E4 ≤ 4) , then Satisfaction ≤ Low

$$incr_{SS'}(Low) = 89\%$$

Threat: if

- **A2 ≤ 3**, and
- **E4 ≤ 4**, then

satisfaction of 89% of customers with Satisfaction = *High* or *Medium* will **deteriorate** to **Low**

Intervention based on monotonic rules

- In practice, the choice of rules used for intervention can be supported by **additional measures**, like:
 - **length of the rule** – the shorter the better,
 - **cost of intervention** on attributes present in the rule,
 - **priority of intervention** on some types of attributes, like: short-term before long-term actions

Mobile Emergency Triage System - MET System

- MET – Mobile Emergency Triage
 - Facilitates triage disposition for presentations of acute pain (abdominal and scrotal pain, hip pain)
 - Supports triage decision with or without complete clinical information
 - Provides mobile support through handheld devices
 - <http://www.mobiledss.uottawa.ca>

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Trial Location



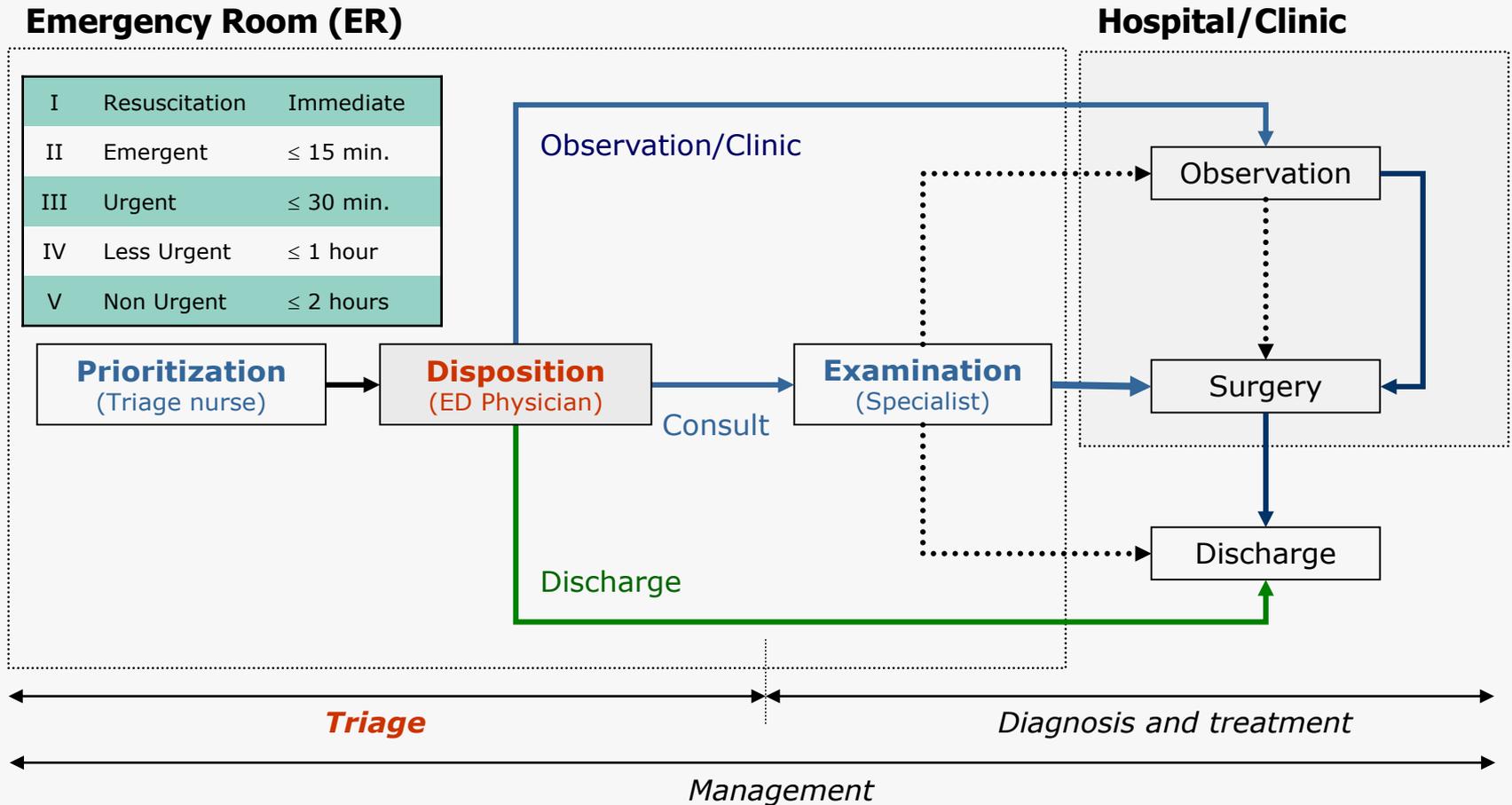
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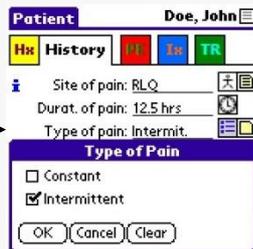
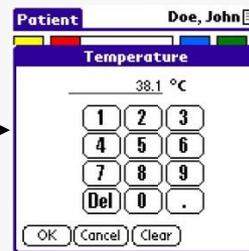
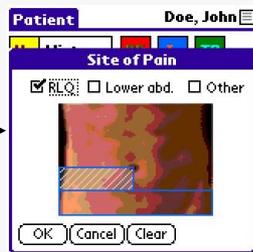
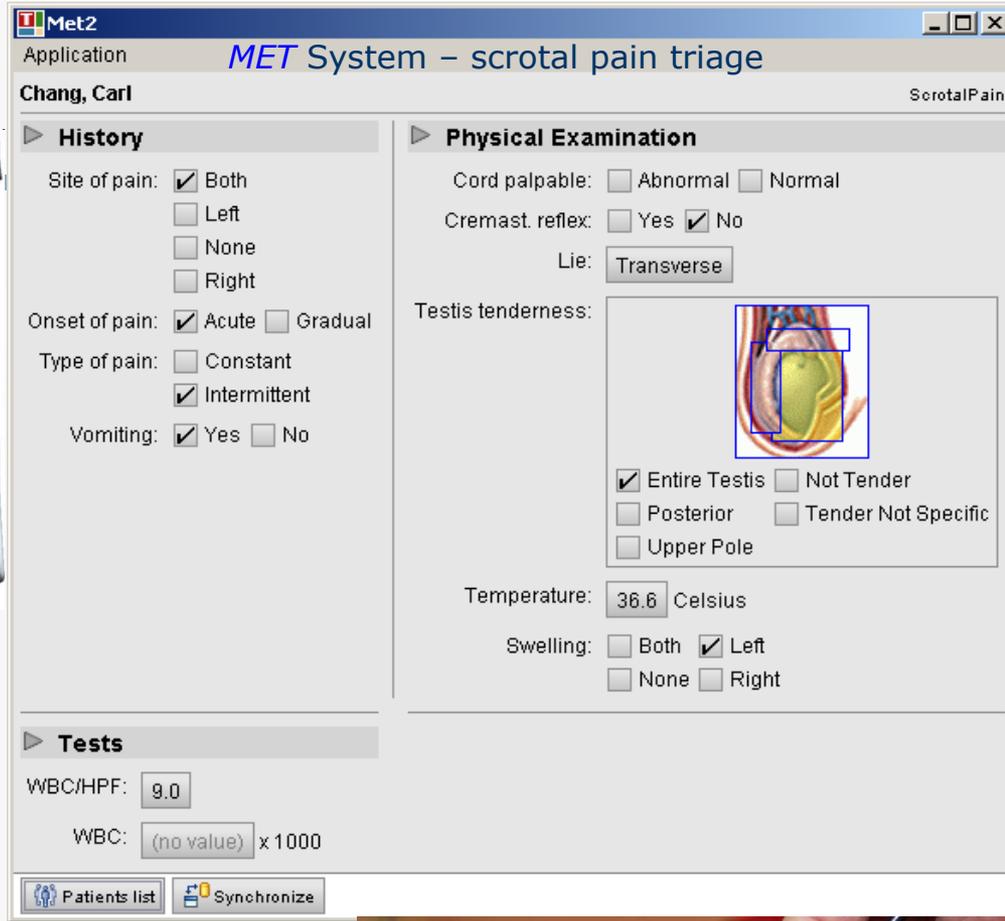
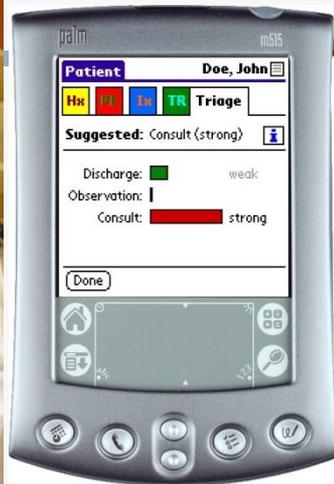


- Total pediatric population >400,000
- 55,000 patient visits in the ER per year
- 3 pediatric general surgeons (supported by emergency physicians and residents)



Triage Process





Decision Rules (examples)

- **if** (Age < 5 years) **and** (PainSite = lower_abdomen) **and** (RebTend = yes) **and** (4 < WBC < 12) **then** (Triage = discharge)
- **if** (PainDur > 7 days) **and** (PainSite = lower_abdomen) **and** (37 ≤ Tempr ≤ 39) **and** (TendSite = lower_abdomen) **then** (Triage = observation)
- **if** (Sex = male) **and** (PainSite = lower_abdomen) **and** (PainType = constant) **and** (RebTend = yes) **and** (WBCC ≥ 12) **then** (Triage = consult)

System MET-AP



palms m515

Patient Doe, John

Hx **History** **PE** **ix** **TR**

Site of pain: **RLQ**

Durat. of pain: 12.5 hrs

Type of pain: Intermittent

Shifting of pain: Yes

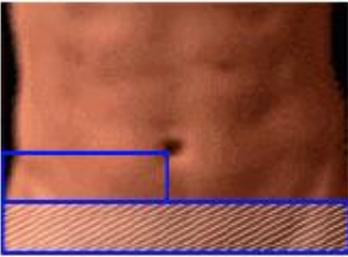
Previous visit: No

Vomiting: Yes

MET 21:39

Site of Pain

RLQ Lower abd. Other



OK **Cancel** **Clear**

palms m515

Patient Doe, John

Hx **History** **PE** **ix** **TR**

Site of pain: **RLQ**

Durat. of pain: 12.5 hrs

Type of pain: Intermittent

Type of Pain

Constant

Intermittent

MET 21:41

Hillio, Jane **Report**

Hx **PE** **ix** **TR** **Triage**

Suggested: **Discharge (medium)**

Evaluate

Discharge: **medium**

Observation: **weak**

Consult: **weak**

Disposition completed

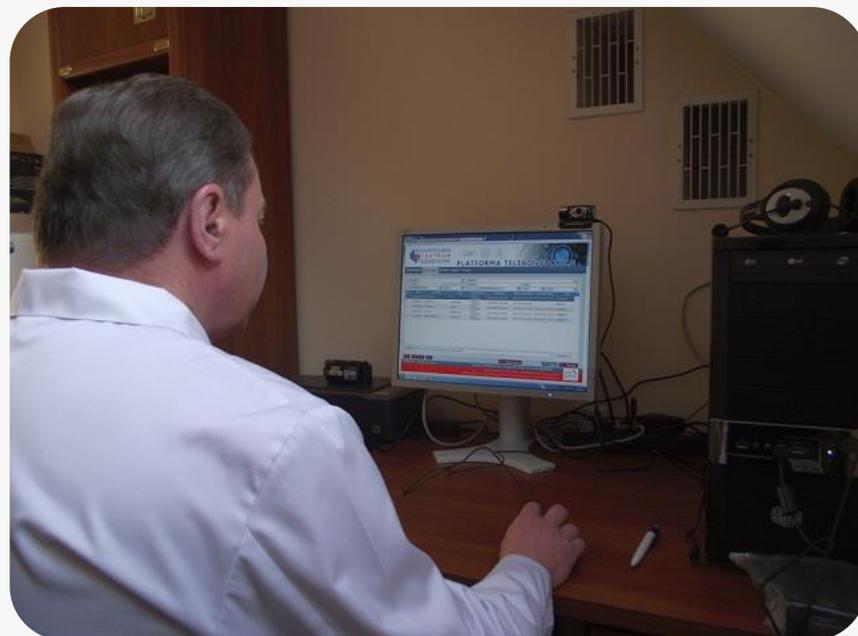
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Wielkopolska Center of Telemedicine - WCT

- Platforma (organizacyjna i techniczna) oferująca systemy i usługi z zakresu **telekonsultacji**, **teleedukacji** i **wspomagania decyzji**
- Obecnie ograniczona do chirurgii urazowej
- Przeznaczona do obsługi przypadków stabilnych
- Obejmuje 5 szpitali uniwersyteckich z klinikami oraz 21 szpitali partnerskich
- Współpracujące ośrodki
 - Klinika Chirurgii Urazowej, Leczenia Oparzeń i Chirurgii Plastycznej
 - Poznańskie Centrum Superkomputerowo-Sieciowe
 - Politechnika Poznańska

WCT – goals of the project

- Standardization and increase of efficiency of communication between regional hospitals and reference clinics
- Increase of security of trauma patients with multiple injuries
- Efficient use of scarce human resources (specialists-consultants)
- Increase of competence in regional hospitals of Wielkopolska
- Contribution to education of medical students



Database of trauma patients

REJESTR PRZYPADKÓW CHIRURGII URAZOWEJ

Opublikowane

sortuj wg daty aktualizacji rosnąco malejąco

2503 verified cases

strony: 1 z 501 | pierwsza | poprzednia | następna | ostatnia | wszystkich pozycji: 2503, wyświetlane pozycje 1 - 5

Przypadek nr 2605, kobieta, lat 86 aktualizacja: 2012-05-22 13:07

Przypadek nr 1873, mężczyzna, lat 41 aktualizacja: 2012-05-09 15:08
ZESPÓŁ ZAKŁADÓW OPIEKI ZDROWOTNEJ, CZARNKÓW

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WOJEWÓDZKI SZPITAL ZESPOLONY, KONIN

Przypadek nr 573, mężczyzna, lat 61 aktualizacja: 2012-05-01 11:08
WOJEWÓDZKI SZPITAL ZESPOLONY, LESZNO

Podstawowe badania

Badanie podmiotowe

- Opis zdarzenia:** Upadek bezpośrednio na łokieć 1 tydzień temu. Zaopatrzony w longetę gipsową w SOR i skierowany do poradni ortopedycznej.
- Główne dolegliwości pacjenta:** Ból, obrzęk stawu łokciowego lewego.
- Choroby przebyte i leczone obecnie:** nie podaje
- Przebyte operacje:** nie podaje
- Zażywane leki:** nie podaje
- Uczulenia na leki:** nie podaje

Obrażenia

KOŃCZYNA GÓRNA

 Zamknięte złamanie bliższego końca kości przedramienia - strona lewa



BADANIA PRZEDMIOTOWE

- **Głowa i szyja:** Głowa kształtna, symetryczna, przy palpacji i opukiwaniu niebolesna. Gałki oczne osadzone prawidłowo. Żrenice równe okrągłe, prawidłowo reagujące na światło. Szyja niebolesna o ruchomości prawidłowej.
- **Klatka piersiowa:** Klatka piersiowa symetryczna, wysklepiona prawidłowo.
- **Brzuch:** Brzuch wysklepiony na poziomie klatki piersiowej, miękki, niebolesny.
- **Miednica:** Bez odchyień od stanu prawidłowego.
- **Kończyny górne:** Bez odchyień od stanu prawidłowego.
- **Kończyny dolne:** Lewy staw skokowy-rozległe rany pooperacyjne nad oboma kostkami, niezagojone, brzegi ran martwiczo zmienione. Zmiany martwicze skóry w okolicy kostki bocznej, duży krwiak w okolicy kostki bocznej. Prawa kończyna dolna prawidłowa.

BADANIA OBRAZOWE

- zdjęcie rentgenowskie:



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BADANIA LABORATORYJNE

GRUPA KRWI

- Grupa krwi: A
- Rh: +

ELEKTROLITY

Wyniki

Sód (Na): 136 mmol/l
Potas (K): 4,6 mmol/l

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Obrażenia

KOŃCZYNA DOLNA

ZAMKNIĘTE ZŁAMANIE KOSTEK GOLENI - STRONA

LEWA

- **Złamania na wysokości więzozrostu:** z uszkodzeniem strony przyśrodkowej (kostka lub więzadło)



Rozpoznanie i leczenie

ROZPOZNIANIE

ICD- Opis
10

S82.3 Stan po operacyjnym leczeniu złamania podudzia lewego z przemieszczeniem.

ZASTOSOWANE LECZENIE OPERACYJNE

ICD-9 Opis
78.62 Usunięcie 2 drutów Kirschnera.

PRZEŻYWALNOŚĆ

- **Klasyfikacja przeżywalności:** pacjent przeżył

WYPIS

- **Pacjent:** wypisany do domu
- **Liczba dni hospitalizacji:** 7
- **Dalsza kontrola w poradni:** chirurgii urazowej
- **Liczba dni do najbliższej kontroli:** 2

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Induction and application of *decision rules*

- Decision rules („*if...*, *then...*”) describe strong relationships and patterns discovered in verified database of trauma patients
- The rules are concise representation of knowledge discovered from data (important for education)
- Types of rules:
 - **Diagnostic** – expected severity of injury on ISS scale (*Injury Severity Score*)
 - **Therapeutic** – suggested treatment of bone fractures (conservative treatment or surgery)

Induction and application of *decision rules*

Rule matching to patient #63

Zalecane postępowanie:

operacyjne (7)

zachowawcze (0)

Opis reguły

Jeżeli	Krwinki czerwone	=	$\geq 3, \leq 5$ mln/mm ³
oraz	Liczba obrażeń w lokalizacji: 6.1.1	\geq	1.0
oraz	Ciśnienie skurczowe	=	$\geq 100, \leq 190$ mmHg
to	Leczenie	=	operacyjne

Miary oceny reguły

Antywsparcie 0.85%
Wsparcie 13.00%
Wiarygodność 93.84%

Hip
fracture

Przypadki poprawnie dopasowane (274)

Przypadki błędnie dopasowane (18)

Matching rules

Patients matching surgery

Jeżeli	Krwinki czerwone
oraz	Liczba obrażeń w lokal
oraz	Ciśnienie skurczowe
to	Leczenie

Miary oceny reguły

Przypadki poprawnie dopasowa

7, 15, 19, 55, 58, 63, 66, 80, 81,
204, 218, 269, 324, 344, 353, 37
518, 524, 528, 531, 543, 546, 54
651, 686, 696, 699, 712, 748, 76
854, 855, 857, 858, 894, 900, 91
1040, 1044, 1046, 1047, 1080, 1
1196, 1202, 1203, 1216, 1251, 1
1397, 1401, 1415, 1420, 1423, 1
1529, 1530, 1540, 1542, 1547, 1
1604, 1606, 1636, 1683, 1684, 1
1750, 1752, 1754, 1765, 1778, 1
1896, 1899, 1902, 1912, 1924, 1
2039, 2042, 2054, 2061, 2070, 2
2186, 2202, 2213, 2225, 2239, 2
2317, 2320, 2322, 2330, 2342, 2
2412, 2430, 2444, 2445, 2454, 2
2543, 2564, 2582, 2586, 2592, 2
2658, 2703, 2705, 2739, 2741, 2

Przypadki błędnie dopasowane (

PRZYPADEK NR 196

KLINIKA CHIRURGII URAZOWEJ, LECZENIA OPARZEŃ I CHIRURGII PŁASTYCZNEJ
(UNIWERSYTET MEDYCZNY IM. KAROLA MARCINKOWSKIEGO W POZNANIU)

EkSPORTUJ UMIĘŚĆ

Podsumowanie Podstawowe badania Obrazienia Rozpoznanie i leczenie

Dane podstawowe

Wiek 68 PŁEĆ kobieta

Podstawowe badania

BADANIE PODMIOTOWE

- Opis zdarzenia: Upadek na ulicy. Przywieziona przez ambulans.
- Główne dolegliwości pacjenta: Ból biodra lewego.
- Choroby przebyte i leczone obecnie: Nie podaje.
- Przebyte operacje: Strumektomia. Cholecysektomia.
- Zażywane leki: Aspirin Protect.
- Uczulenia na leki: Nie podaje.

OCENA CIĘŻKOŚCI OBRAZEŃ CIAŁA

- Kończyny: amputacja poniżej łokcia; zwichnięcie barku; złamanie kości ramiennej bez przemieszczenia; złamanie obu kości przedramienia; amputacja stopy; zwichnięcie kolana; złamanie k. udowej bez przemieszczenia; złamanie kości podudzia

OCENA STANU PRZYTOMNOŚCI

- Oczy: samoistne otwieranie oczu
- Najlepsza reakcja ruchowa: spełnianie poleceń
- Najlepsza odpowiedź słowna: świadoma rozmowa

PARAMETRY ŻYCIOWE

	Wyniki	
Ciśnienie skurczowe:	180	mmHg
Ciśnienie rozkurczowe:	98	mmHg
Tętno:	115	/min

Obrazienia

KOŃCZYNA DOLNA

ZAMKNIĘTE ZŁAMANIE SZYJKI KOŚCI UDOWEJ - STRONA LEWA

- Klasyfikacja złamań szyjki kości udowej wg **Gardena**: III (złamanie z przemieszczeniem, ale odłamki kostne stykają się)

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Rozpoznanie i leczenie

ROZPOZNIANIE

ICD-10 Opis
S72.0 Złamanie szyjki kości udowej

ZASTOSOWANE LECZENIE OPERACYJNE

ICD-9 Opis
00.781 Operacje stawu biodrowego - oba elementy mocowane bezcementowo
81.521 Częściowa pierwotna wymiana stawu biodrowego - endoproteza bipolarna

ZASTOSOWANE LECZENIE NIEOPERACYJNE

ICD-9 Opis

Matching

Patients m conservativ

Informacja! Poniższa lista zawiera

Zalecane postępowanie: [oper](#)

Jeżeli	Krwinki czerwone
oraz	Liczba obrażeń w lok
oraz	Ciśnienie skurczowe
to	Leczenie

[Miary oceny reguły](#)

[Przypadki poprawnie dopasow](#)

[Przypadki błędnie dopasowane](#)

44, 435, 443, 743, 758, 781, 7
2364, 2686



PRZYPADEK NR 1132
WOJEWÓDZKI SZPITAL ZESPOŁONY, KONIN

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Dane podstawowe

WIEK 93 PŁEĆ kobieta

Podstawowe badania

BADANIE PODMIOTOWE

- **Opis zdarzenia:** 3-4 dni wcześniej uraz biodra, upadek na pozimie 0. wywiad niemożliwy do przeprowadzenia
- **Główne dolegliwości pacjenta:** ból biodra prawego
- **Choroby przebyte i leczone obecnie:** Niewydolność serca NYCHA III, Stan po zawale m sercowego, Nadciśnienie tetnicze, zylaki odbytu, Uchyłkowatość jelit
- **Zażywane leki:** tritace vivacor

OCENA STANU PRZYTOMNOŚCI

- **Oczy:** samoistne otwieranie oczu
- **Najlepsza reakcja ruchowa:** zginanie-wycofywanie kończyny na bodziec bólowy
- **Najlepsza odpowiedź słowna:** niezrozumiałe dźwięki

PARAMETRY ŻYCIOWE

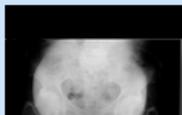
Wyniki
Ciśnienie skurczowe: 120 mmHg
Ciśnienie rozkurczowe: 70 mmHg
Tętno: 82 /min

BADANIA PRZEDMIOTOWE

- **Głowa i szyja:** Kontakt niemożliwy. Stan ogólny zły
- **Kończyny dolne:** ból biodra ze skróceniem i rotacją zew,

BADANIA OBRAZOWE

- **zdjęcie rentgenowskie:**



Obrażenia

KOŃCZYNA DOLNA

ZAMKNIĘTE KRĘTARZOWE ZŁAMANIE KOŚCI UDOWEJ - STRONA PRAWA

- **Klasyfikacja złamań krętarzowych kości udowej wg Boyda i Griffina:** II (Złamanie wieloodłamowe. Główna linia złamania przebiega wzdłuż linii międzykrętarzowej, ale ze znacznym uszkodzeniem bliższego odcinka. Krętarze większy i mniejszy mogą być złamane.)



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Rozpoznanie i leczenie

ROZPOZNIANIE

- | ICD-10 | Opis |
|-----------------------|--|
| I11.0 | Choroba nadciśnieniowa z zajęciem serca - Choroba nadciśnieniowa z zajęciem serca, z (zastoinową) niewydolnością serca |
| I25.9 | Przewlekła choroba niedokrwienności serca - Przewlekła choroba niedokrwienności serca, nie określona |
| I50.1 | Niewydolność serca - Niewydolność serca lewokomorowa |
| K57.3 | Choroba uchyłkowa jelita grubego bez przedziurawienia lub ropnia |
| S72.1 | Złamanie przekrętarzowe |

ZASTOSOWANE LECZENIE NIEOPERACYJNE

- | ICD-9 | Opis |
|-----------------------|------------------------|
| 93.44 | Wyciąg układu kostnego |

Violinmakers competition

Jury's assessment



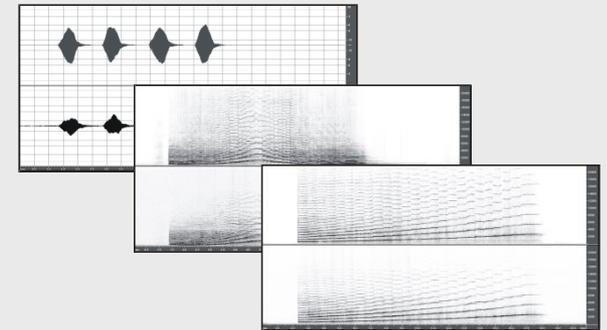
Sound recording

Criteria:

- volume of sound (X),
- timbre of sound (Y),
- ease of sound emission,
- equal sound volume of strings (Z),
- accuracy of assembly,
- individual qualities

The violin's acoustic data:

- individual sounds played on open strings, G,D,A,E,
- successive sounds of chromatic scale,



Ranking of violins based on the criterion X

Ranking of violins based on the criterion Y

Ranking of violins based on the criterion Z



Acoustic features:

- power spectrum of chromatic scale sounds,
- wavelets,
- harmonic based spectral parameters (tristimuli, brightness, odd/even harmonics content...),
- psychoacoustic features
- cepstral coefficients.

Dominance-based Rough Set Approach

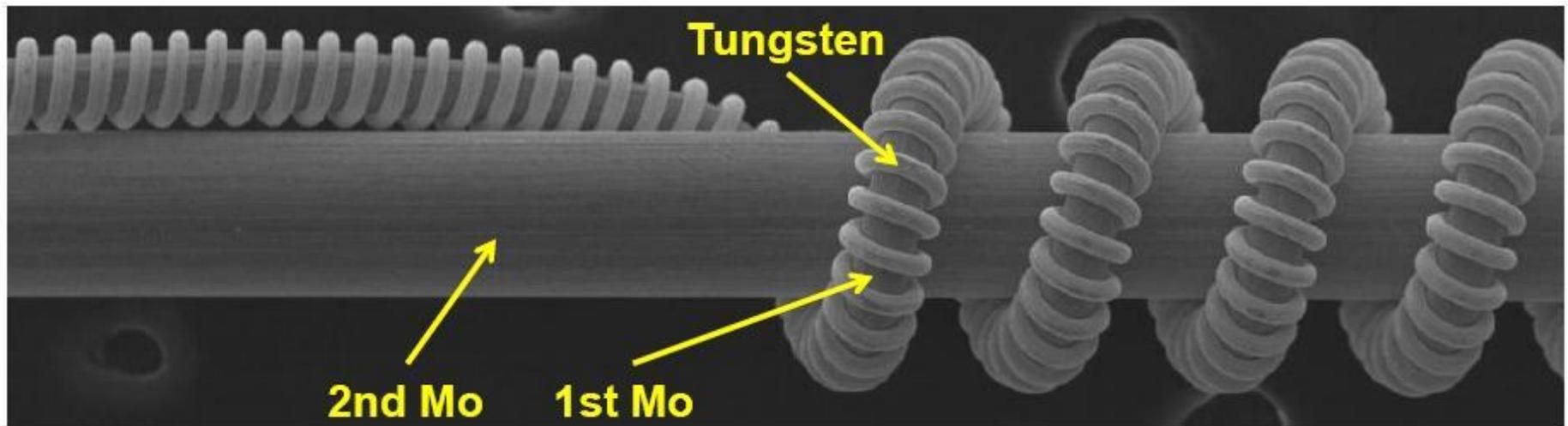
Violinmakers competition – DRSA results

- Reconstructing the expert's rankings of a set of 23 violins
- Three rankings: volume, timbre and inter-string equality
- Feature space - cepstral coefficients

Ranking according to	Best subset of acoustic features	Number of rules	Ranking fit
volume	A14, E13, D12, G16	62	87%
timbre	E13, D15, G4, G17, D5	99	92%
inter-string equality	D20, D15, A24, D10	64	79%

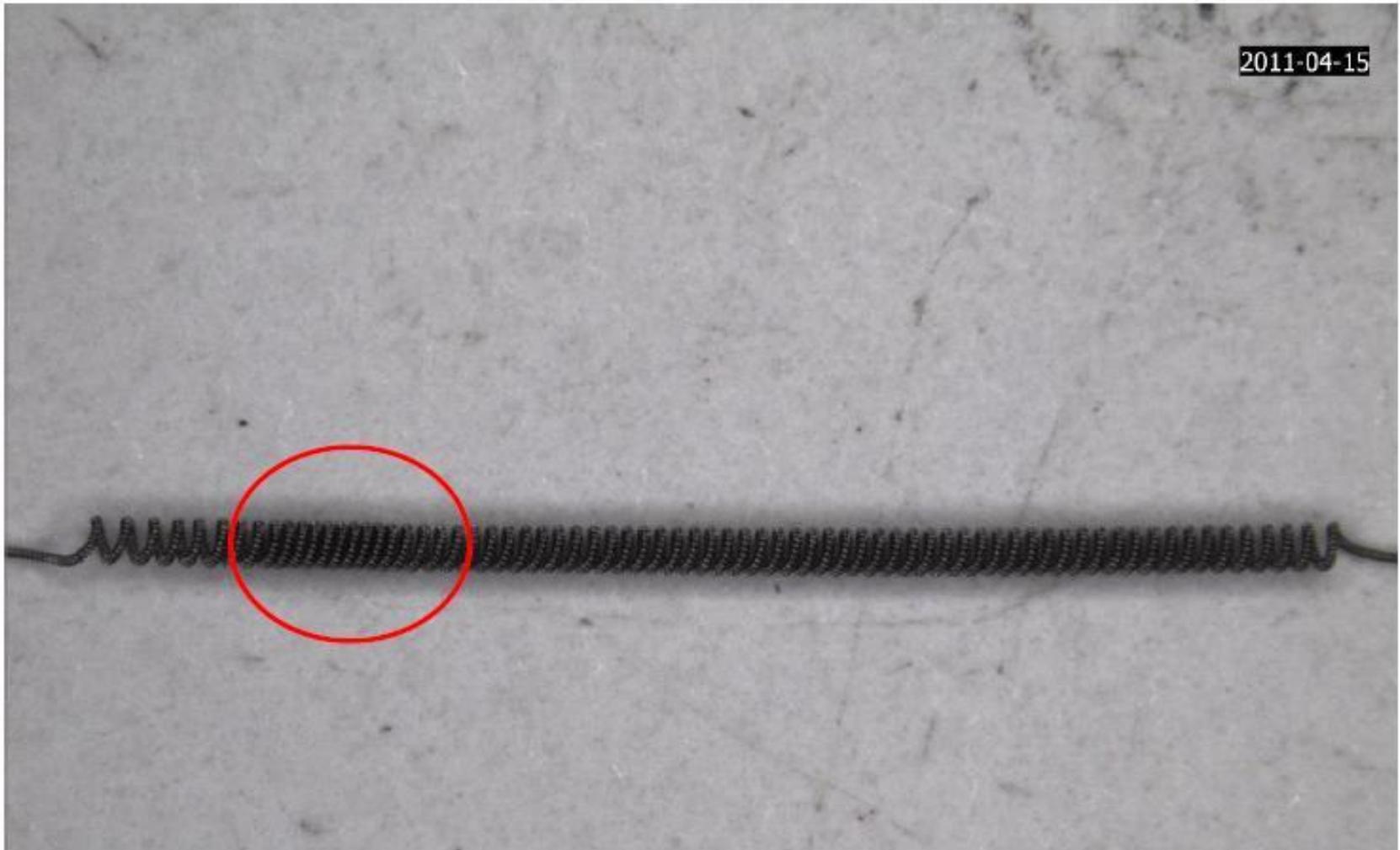
Technical diagnostics – problem of short circuits in coil body

- An element of a light-bulb



Technical diagnostics – problem of short circuits in coil body

- Problem– coil geometry failure – short circuits in coil body



Technical diagnostics – problem of short circuits in coil body

- Production process steps



Technical diagnostics – problem of short circuits in coil body

- Issues:
 - Wire diameter ($W \sim 20\mu\text{m}$; $Mo \sim 175\mu\text{m}$)
 - Batch throughput time (avg. 10 days)
 - Many factors suspected for failure, including interactions
 - Materials
 - Subprocesses
 - People
 - Such coil geometry failure occurred first time in history
 - Defects are hardly visible on machines

Technical diagnostics – problem of short circuits in coil body

- Data table – 550 lots described by 10 attributes

	B	G	I	J	L	N	P	V	W	X
	Month & day of the month	ID of wolfram lot	ID of 1st coiling machine	No. of breaks	ID of 2nd coiling machine	ID of annealing furnace	ID of cutting machine	Day of the week	Number of days in production	Failure
1										
2	11_08	M296	26/3	42	75/3	5	6	Mo	15	NO
3	11_02	M297	7/2	37	6/1	5	3	Fr	34	YES
4	10_15	M288	7/4	13	7/1	5	6	Tu	21	NO
5	11_09	M296	48/6	0	6/1	5	1	Mo	32	NO
6	11_21	M286	26/6	14	7/4	5	1	We	33	NO
7	11_37	M293	26/4	12	75/3	5	1	Tu	21	NO
8	11_04	M292	7/1	10	75/3	5	1	Fr	21	YES
9	11_43	M296	7/2	16	75/4	5	1	Th	13	NO
10	11_20	M296	48/3	0	34/4	12	3	Mo	35	YES
11	11_10	M286	7/3	0	70/2	5	3	We	35	NO
12	11_17	M298	7/4	18	4/1	12	3	Tu	43	YES
13	11_07	M296	7/3	0	73/4	5	3	Fr	30	YES
14	11_34	M293	23/1	0	6/3	5	1	Th	20	NO
15	10_44	M288	48/5	0	70/1	5	1	We	29	NO
16	11_01	M288	7/3	28	3/4	1	3	Tu	0	NO
17	11_12	M296	7/2	14	73/1	12	1	Mo	67	YES
18	11_20	M300	48/6	0	33/3	9	6	Tu	33	NO
19	10_22	M287	48/4	0	71/4	6	6	We	26	YES
20	11_18	M299	7/4	17	36/4	2	6	Th	33	NO
21	11_44	M296	48/1	0	6/4	9	1	Fr	14	YES
22	11_01	M292	7/5	0	6/2	4	0	Mo	05	NO

Technical diagnostics – problem of short circuits in coil body

- Results of the DRSA analysis:
- Quality of approximation of the classification into Yes/No failure: 100%
- Reducts: 61 with 8 to 5 attributes
- Adopted reduct (5 attributes):
 - I – ID of the 1st coiling machine
 - L – ID of the 2nd coiling machine
 - N – ID of the annealing furnace
 - B – lot ID: day of the month
 - V – lot ready: day of the week

Technical diagnostics – problem of short circuits in coil body

■ Rules:

If 1st coiling machine = 13, then **YES** failure support = 8%

If 1st coiling machine = 48 & Furnace = 12 & Cutting machine = 3,
then **YES** failure support = 12%

If Furnace = 12 & Cutting machine = 3 & Day = Friday, then **YES** failure
support = 9%

If Furnace = 5 & Cutting machine = 6, then **NO** failure
support = 14.67%

If Furnace = 5 & Month of the lot = 12, then **NO** failure
support = 20.22%

Other applications of DRSA

- Prediction of antimicrobial activity of quaternary chlorides by analysis of structure-activity-relationships (SAR)
- Complications after open-heart operations
- Colon cancer surgery
- Pediatric hip surgery, asthma treatment
- Prostate cancer treatment
- Breast cancer treatment
- HSV treatment of duodenal ulcer
- Extracorporeal shockwave lithotripsy (ESWL)
- Prediction of antifungal activity of gemini-imidazolium compounds
- Green chemistry classification of silver nanoparticles synthesis
- Comparative analysis of targeted metabolomics
- Triggerfish and cardiovascular data analysis of glaucoma patients
- ...

DRSA for group decision

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- **Example:** students described by scores (1–20) in mathematics (**M**), physics (**Ph**) and literature (**L**) are classified by 3 professors (**P1**, **P2**, **P3**) to preference ordered classes: **Bad**, **Medium**, **Good**
- Decisions of **P1**, **P2**, **P3** have to be **aggregated**, so as to select **students which will be finally accepted** for a graduate program
- The aggregate decision represents a **consensus** between professors
- **Possible consensus:**
 - 2 professors classify as „at least Medium“ + 1 professor classifies as „Good“
[Medium, Medium, Good], [Medium, Good, Medium], [Good, Medium, Medium]
- **Resulting rules**, e.g.:
 - if student x gained **at least 15 in M**, and **at least 18 in L**, then x is **accepted***
 - if student x gained **at most 10 in M**, and **at most 13 in Ph**, then x is **not accepted***

Interpretation of recommendation provided by
an MCDA method in terms of decision rules

Illustrative example – ranking of students

Student	Mathematics	Physics	Literature
S1	medium	medium	good
S2	good	good	medium
S3	medium	good	medium
S4	medium	medium	medium
S5	good	good	bad
S6	medium	bad	good

Preference information given by the DM

- **Pairwise comparisons of some students**

- $S2 \succ S1$

- $S4 \succ S5$

- $S5 \succ S6$

- **Overall intensity of preference**

- $(S5, S6) \succ^* (S2, S1)$

- **Intensity of preference relative to a single criterion**

- $(\text{good, medium}) \succ_{\textit{Mathematis}}^* (\text{medium, bad})$

GRIP results

Dominance relation

	Necessary Ranking Graph			Representative Ranking		Marginal Utilities
	Dominance Relation	Possible Preference Relation		Necessary Preference Relation		
	S1	S2	S3	S4	S5	S6
S1	False	False	False	True	False	True
S2	False	False	True	True	True	False
S3	False	False	False	True	False	False
S4	False	False	False	False	False	False
S5	False	False	False	False	False	False
S6	False	False	False	False	False	False

Necessary preference

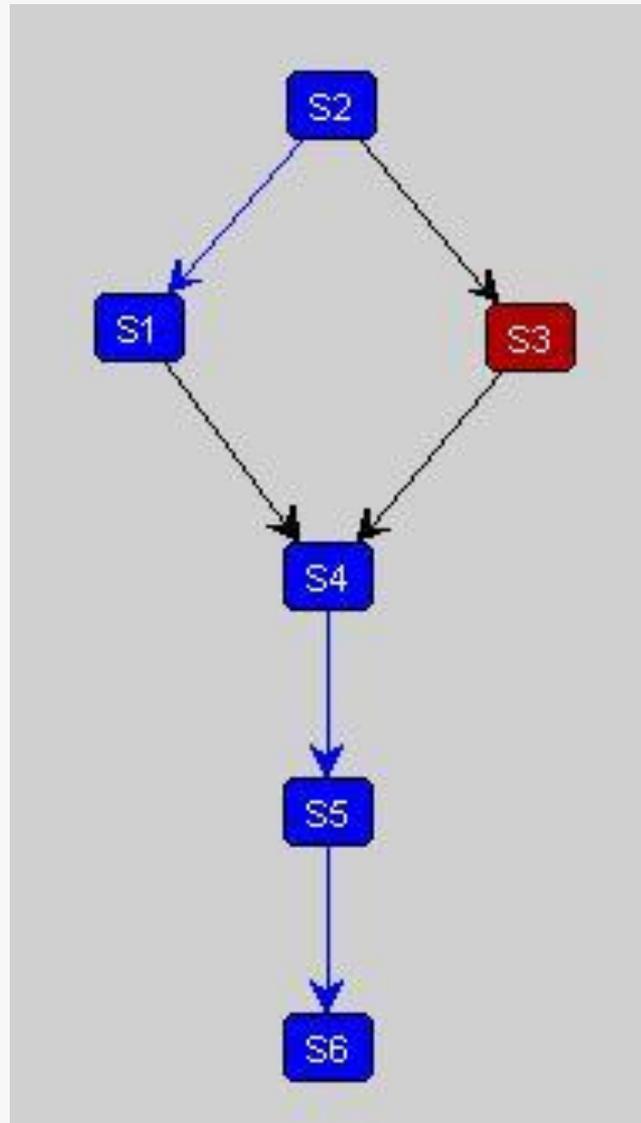
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	S1	S2	S3	S4	S5	S6
S1	True	False	False	True	True	True
S2	True	True	True	True	True	True
S3	False	False	True	True	True	True
S4	False	False	False	True	True	True
S5	False	False	False	False	True	True
S6	False	False	False	False	False	True

Possible preference

	Necessary Ranking Graph			Representative Ranking		Marginal Utilities
	Dominance Relation	Possible Preference Relation		Necessary Preference Relation		
	S1	S2	S3	S4	S5	S6
S1	True	False	True	True	True	True
S2	True	True	True	True	True	True
S3	True	False	True	True	True	True
S4	False	False	False	True	True	True
S5	False	False	False	False	True	True
S6	False	False	False	False	False	True

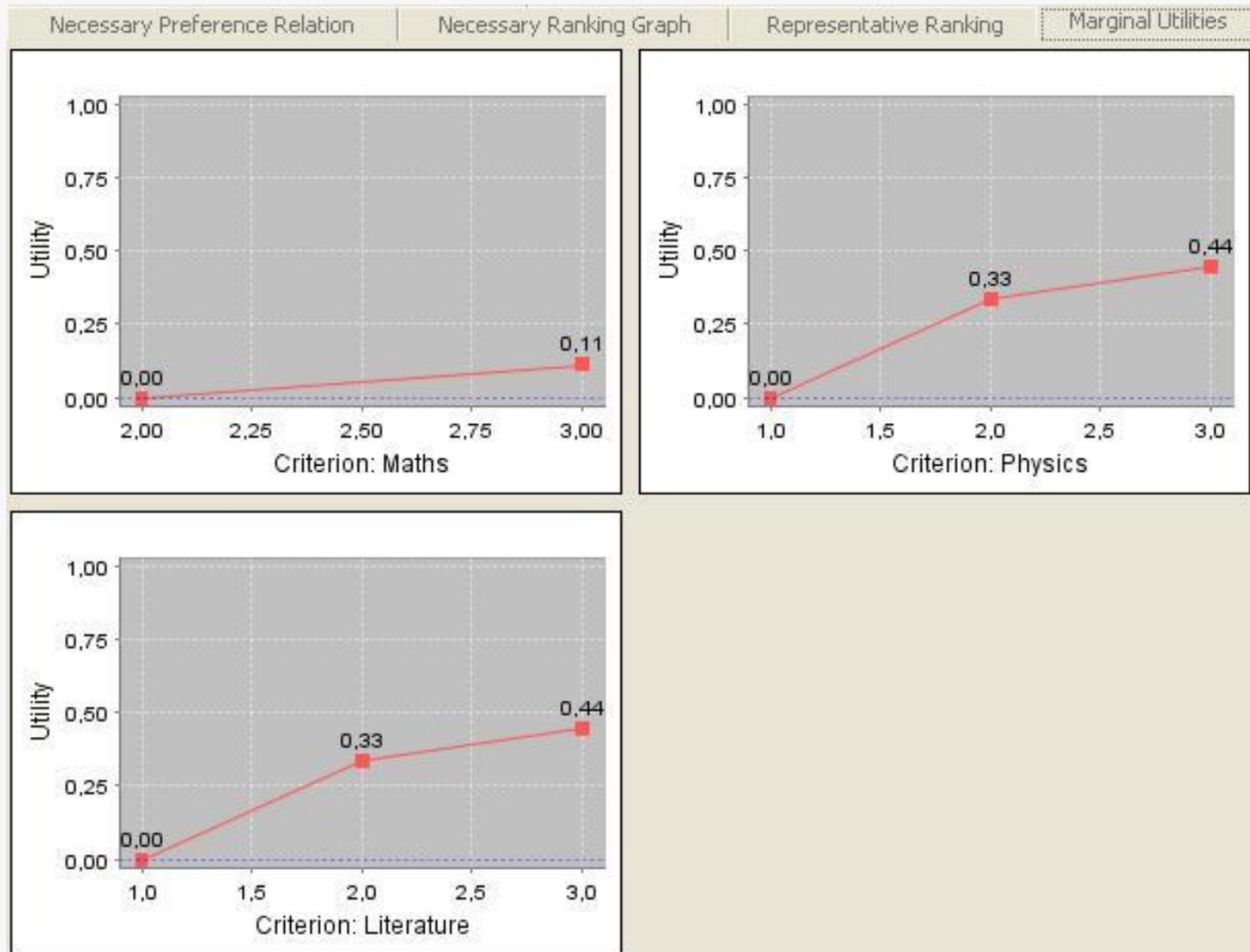
GRIP results

Necessary ranking



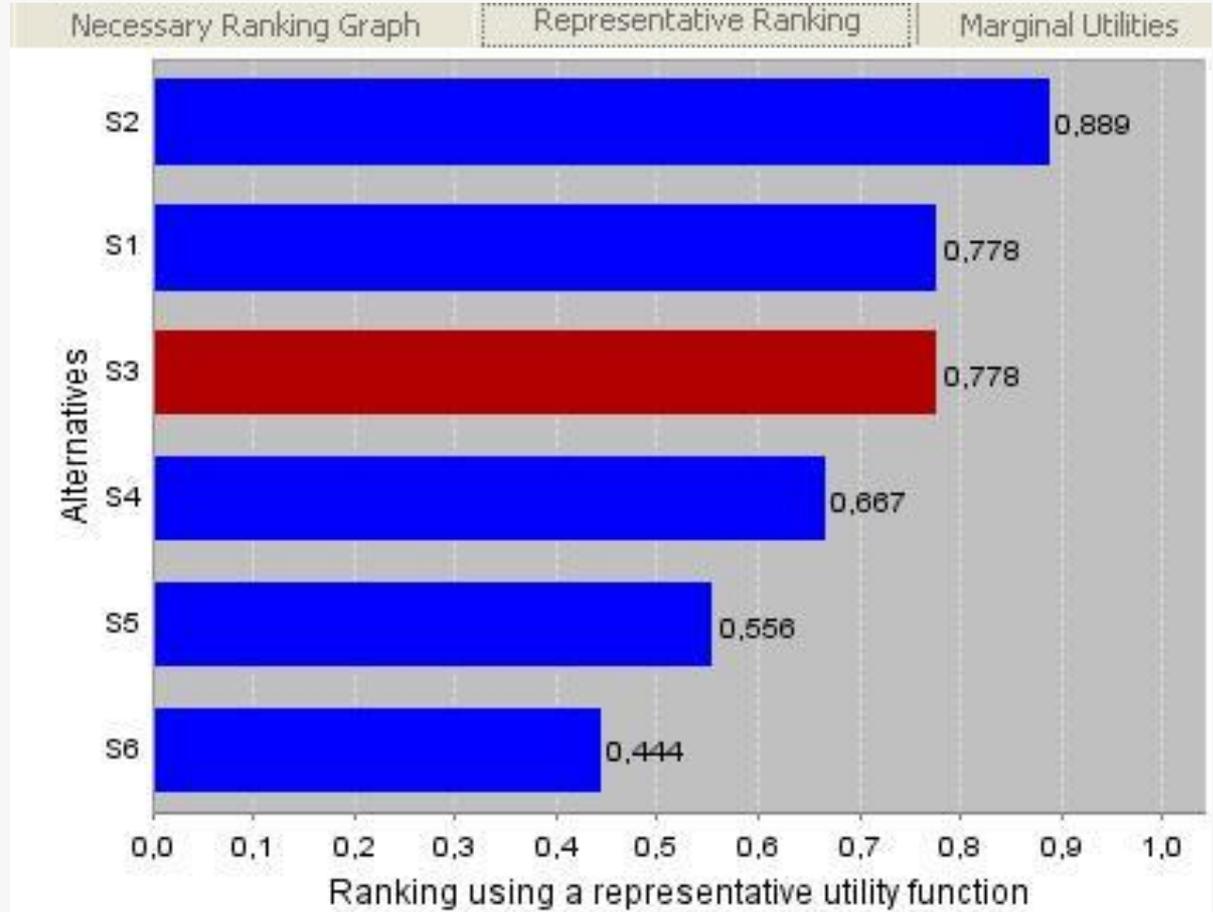
GRIP results

Representative
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GRIP results

Representative ranking



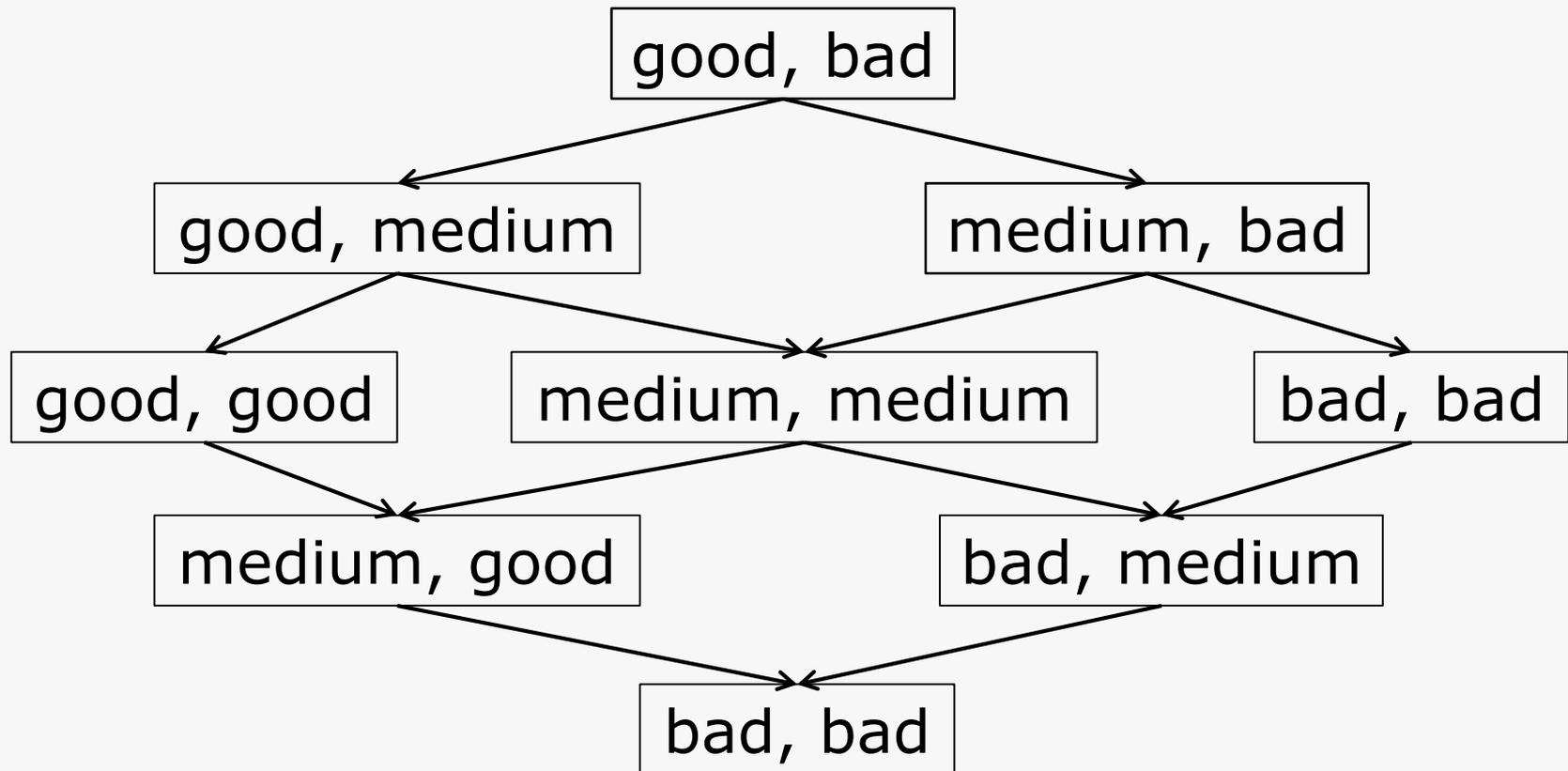
Illustrative example – ranking of students

Pairwise comparison table (PCT) and the **necessary preference relation** resulting from **GRIP** – input data for DRSA

Pair (S_i, S_j)	Maths S_i	Maths S_j	Physics S_i	Physics S_j	Literature S_i	Literature S_j	Nec. Pref. N
(S_1, S_1)	medium	medium	medium	medium	good	good	γ^N
(S_1, S_2)	medium	good	medium	good	good	medium	γ^N
(S_1, S_3)	medium	medium	medium	good	good	medium	γ^N
...
(S_6, S_4)	medium	medium	bad	medium	good	bad	γ^N
(S_6, S_5)	medium	good	bad	good	good	good	γ^N
(S_6, S_6)	medium	medium	bad	bad	good	good	γ^N

Preference on single criteria for pairs of evaluations

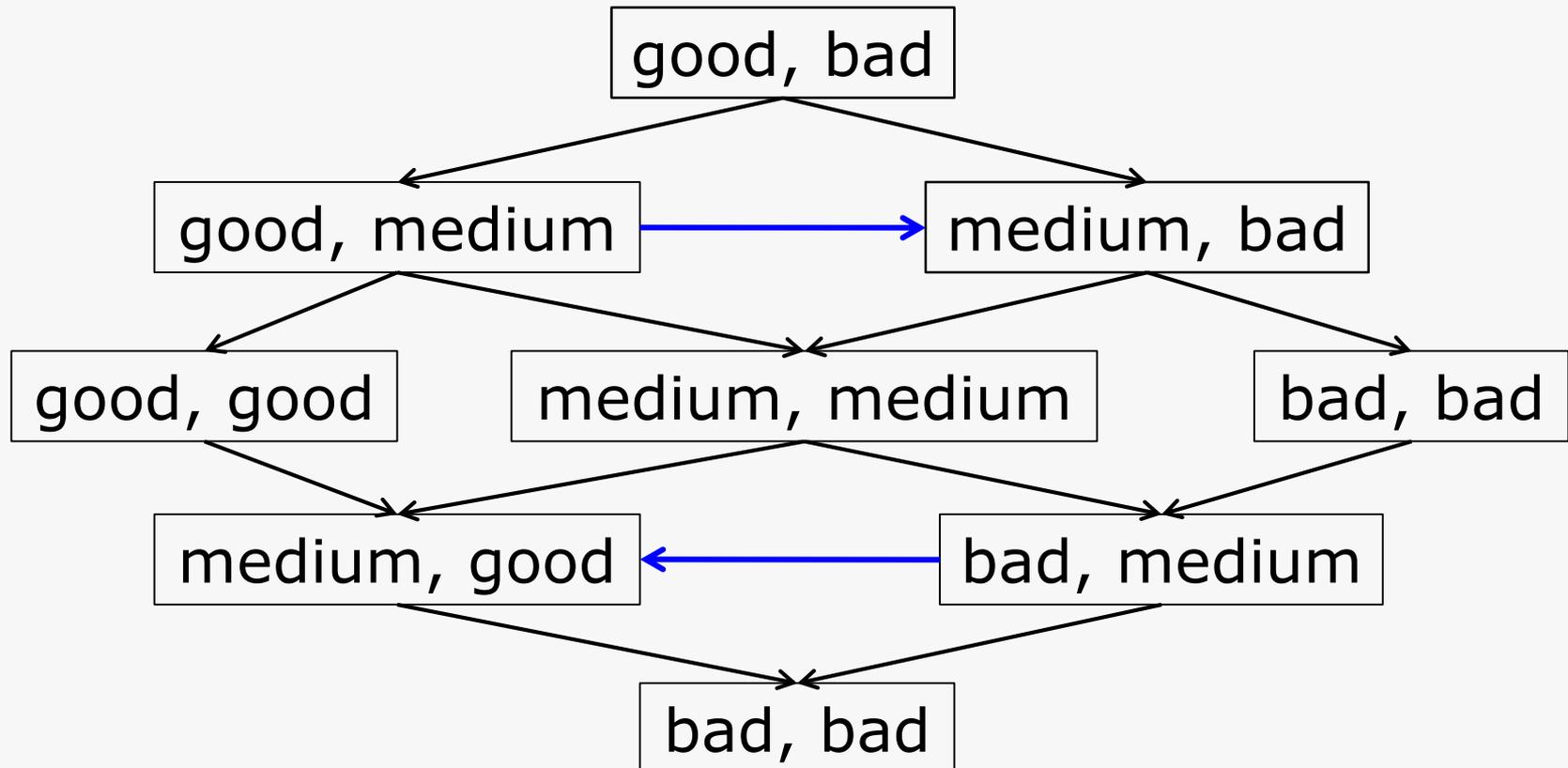
- In case of no information about the **intensity** of preference:
Physics, Literature



Preference on single criteria for pairs of evaluations

- Use of preference information about **intensity** of preference on a single criterion – the case of **Mathematics**:

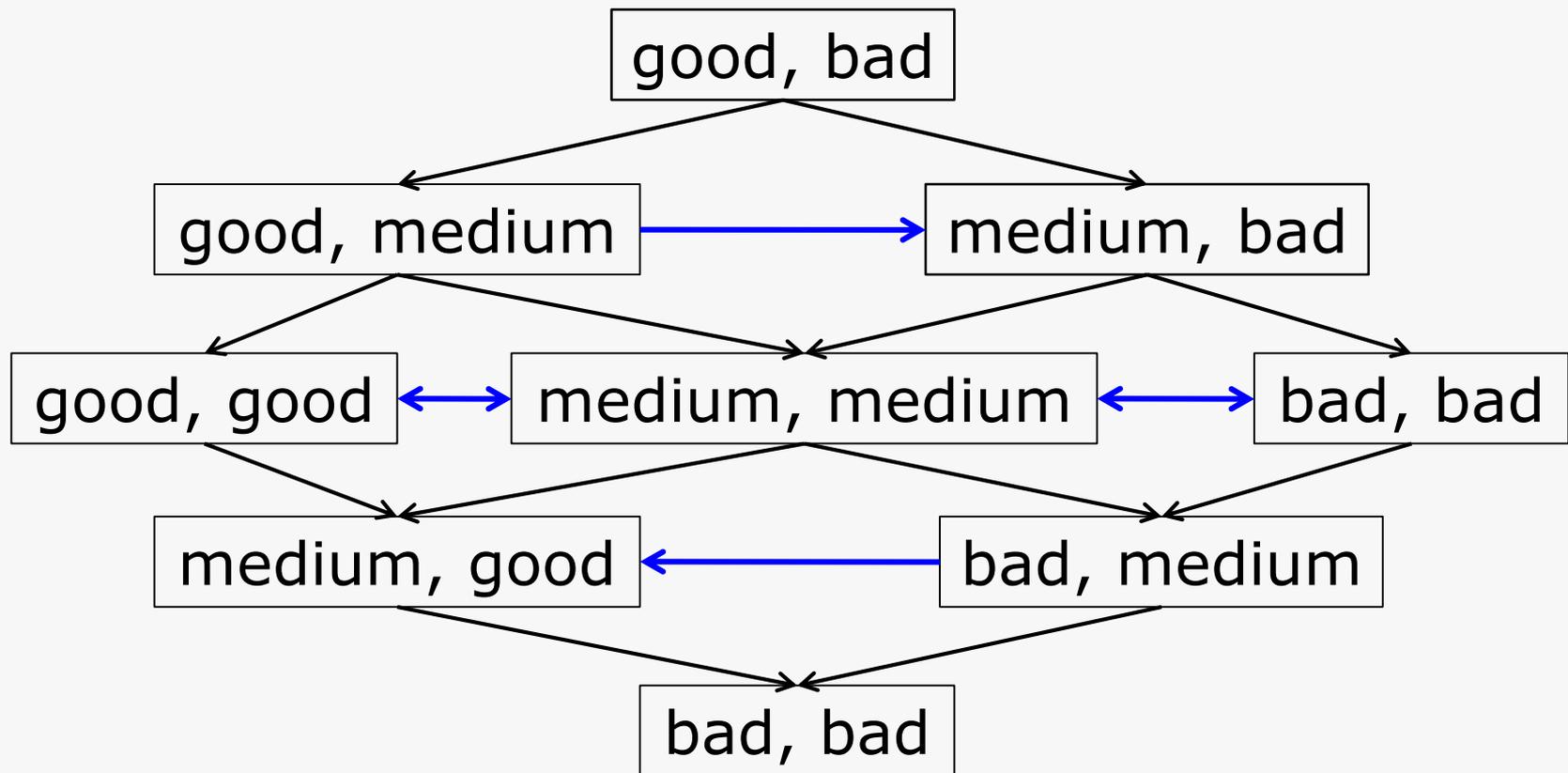
$(\text{good, medium}) \succ_{\text{Mathematics}}^* (\text{medium, bad})$



Preference on single criteria for pairs of evaluations

$(\text{good}, \text{good}) \sim^*_{\text{Mathematics}} (\text{medium}, \text{medium}) \sim^*_{\text{Mathematics}} (\text{bad}, \text{bad})$

$(\text{good}, \text{medium}) \succ^*_{\text{Mathematics}} (\text{medium}, \text{bad})$



Preference on single criteria for pairs of evaluations

- **Intensity** of preference wrt differences of evaluations on **Mathematics**

$x_{Math} = \text{good}$ & $y_{Math} = \text{bad}$: x is **much better** than y

$x_{Math} = \text{good}$ & $y_{Math} = \text{medium}$: x is **better** than y

$x_{Math} = \text{medium}$ & $y_{Math} = \text{bad}$: x is **weakly better** than y

$x_{Math} = y_{Math}$: x and y are **indifferent**

All rules representing the necessary preference relation

- #1: if $y_{Phys} \leq \text{bad}$, then $x \succeq^N y$
(S1,S6),(S2,S6),(S3,S6),(S4,S6),(S5,S6),(S6,S6)
- #2: if x_{Math} is **better** than y_{Math} & $x_{Lit} \geq \text{medium}$, then $x \succeq^N y$,
(S2,S1),(S2,S3),(S2,S4),(S2,S6)
- #3: if $x_{Phys} \geq \text{medium}$ & $y_{Phys} \leq \text{medium}$ & $x_{Lit} \geq \text{good}$, then $x \succeq^N y$
(S1,S1),(S1,S4),(S1,S6)
- #4: if $x_{Phys} \geq \text{medium}$ & $y_{Lit} \leq \text{bad}$, then $x \succeq^N y$,
(S1,S5),(S2,S5),(S3,S5),(S4,S5),(S5,S5)
- #5: if x_{Math} is **weakly better** than y_{Math} & $x_{Phys} \geq \text{good}$ &
 $x_{Lit} \geq \text{medium}$ & $y_{Lit} \leq \text{medium}$, then $x \succeq^N y$
(S2,S2),(S2,S3),(S2,S4),(S2,S5),(S3,S3),(S3,S4)
- #6: if $x_{Phys} \geq \text{medium}$ & $y_{Phys} \leq \text{medium}$ & $x_{Lit} \geq \text{medium}$ & $y_{Lit} \leq \text{medium}$,
then $x \succeq^N y$ (S1,S4),(S2,S4),(S3,S4),(S4,S4)
- #7: if x_{Math} is **weakly better** than y_{Math} & $y_{Lit} \leq \text{bad}$, then $x \succeq^N y$
(S2,S5),(S5,S5)

Minimal cover rules representing necessary preference relation

- #1: if $y_{Phys} \leq \text{bad}$, then $x \succeq^N y$
(S1,S6),(S2,S6),(S3,S6),(S4,S6),(S5,S6),(S6,S6)
- #2: if x_{Math} is **better** than y_{Math} & $x_{Lit} \geq \text{medium}$, then $x \succeq^N y$,
(S2,S1),(S2,S3),(S2,S4),(S2,S6)
- #3: if $x_{Phys} \geq \text{medium}$ & $y_{Phys} \leq \text{medium}$ & $x_{Lit} \geq \text{good}$, then $x \succeq^N y$
(S1,S1),(S1,S4),(S1,S6)
- #4: if $x_{Phys} \geq \text{medium}$ & $y_{Lit} \leq \text{bad}$, then $x \succeq^N y$,
(S1,S5),(S2,S5),(S3,S5),(S4,S5),(S5,S5)
- #5: if x_{Math} is **weakly better** than y_{Math} & $x_{Phys} \geq \text{good}$ &
 $x_{Lit} \geq \text{medium}$ & $y_{Lit} \leq \text{medium}$, then $x \succeq^N y$
(S2,S2),(S2,S3),(S2,S4),(S2,S5),(S3,S3),(S3,S4)
- #6: if $x_{Phys} \geq \text{medium}$ & $y_{Phys} \leq \text{medium}$ & $x_{Lit} \geq \text{medium}$ & $y_{Lit} \leq \text{medium}$,
then $x \succeq^N y$ (S1,S4),(S2,S4),(S3,S4),(S4,S4)

Observation of **new rules** after addition of preference information

- The DM adds **new preference information**:
 - $S1 \succ S3$
- New rule appears to cover the new necessary preference relation:

#8: if x_{Math} is **weakly better** than y_{Math} & $x_{Phys} \geq \text{medium}$ & $x_{Lit} \geq \text{good}$,
then $x \succeq^N y$

$(S1,S1), (S1,S3), (S1,S4), (S1,S6)$

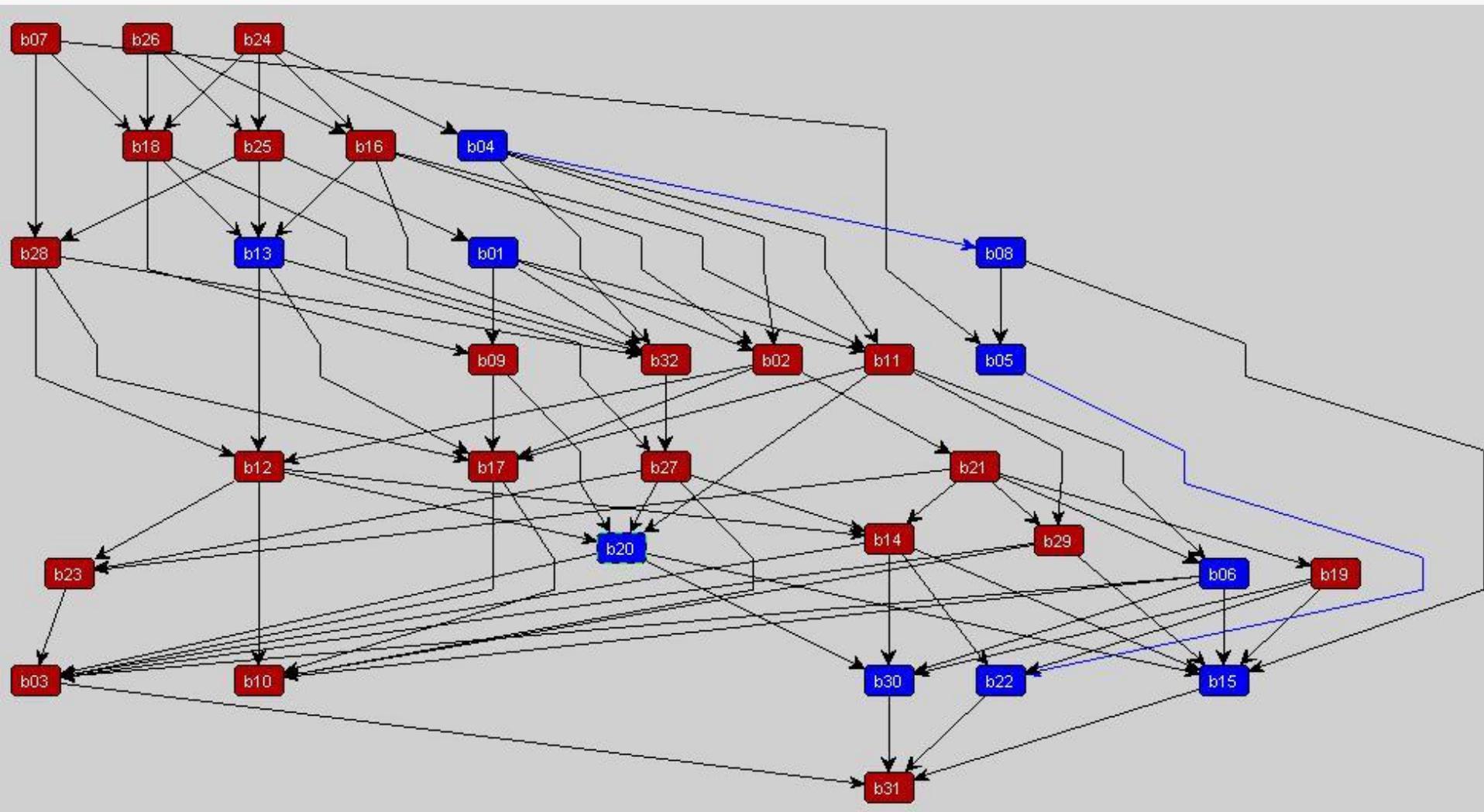
Illustrative example – technical ranking of buses

Bus Id	MaxSpeed	ComprPressure	Blacking	Torque	SummerCons	WinterCons	OilCons	HorsePower
b01	90	2	49	477	21	25	1	138
b02	85	2	52	460	21	25	1	130
b03	72	2	73	425	23	27	2	112
b04	88	2	50	480	21	24	1	140
b05	60	1	95	400	23	24	4	96
b06	78	2	63	448	21	26	1	120
b07	90	2	26	482	22	24	0	148
b08	65	2	67	402	22	23	2	103
b09	90	2	51	468	22	26	1	138
b10	76	2	65	428	27	33	2	116
b11	85	2	50	454	21	26	1	129
b12	85	2	58	450	22	25	1	126
b13	88	2	48	458	22	25	1	130
b14	75	2	64	432	22	25	1	114
b15	68	2	70	400	22	26	2	100
b16	88	2	44	478	21	25	0	138
b17	85	2	55	445	23	26	1	120
b18	90	2	40	480	22	25	0	139
b19	72	2	64	428	21	25	2	111
b20	75	2	60	440	22	26	1	120
b21	85	2	61	458	21	25	1	126
b22	68	2	88	422	22	25	3	108
b23	82	2	65	430	23	25	2	115
b24	90	2	38	482	20	24	0	146
b25	90	2	45	479	21	25	1	145
b26	90	2	34	486	21	25	0	148
b27	86	2	60	444	22	25	1	122
b28	88	2	50	475	22	25	1	142
b29	85	2	63	440	21	26	2	120
b30	72	2	85	420	22	25	3	110
b31	65	2	94	400	24	27	4	98
b32	87	2	60	460	22	25	1	131

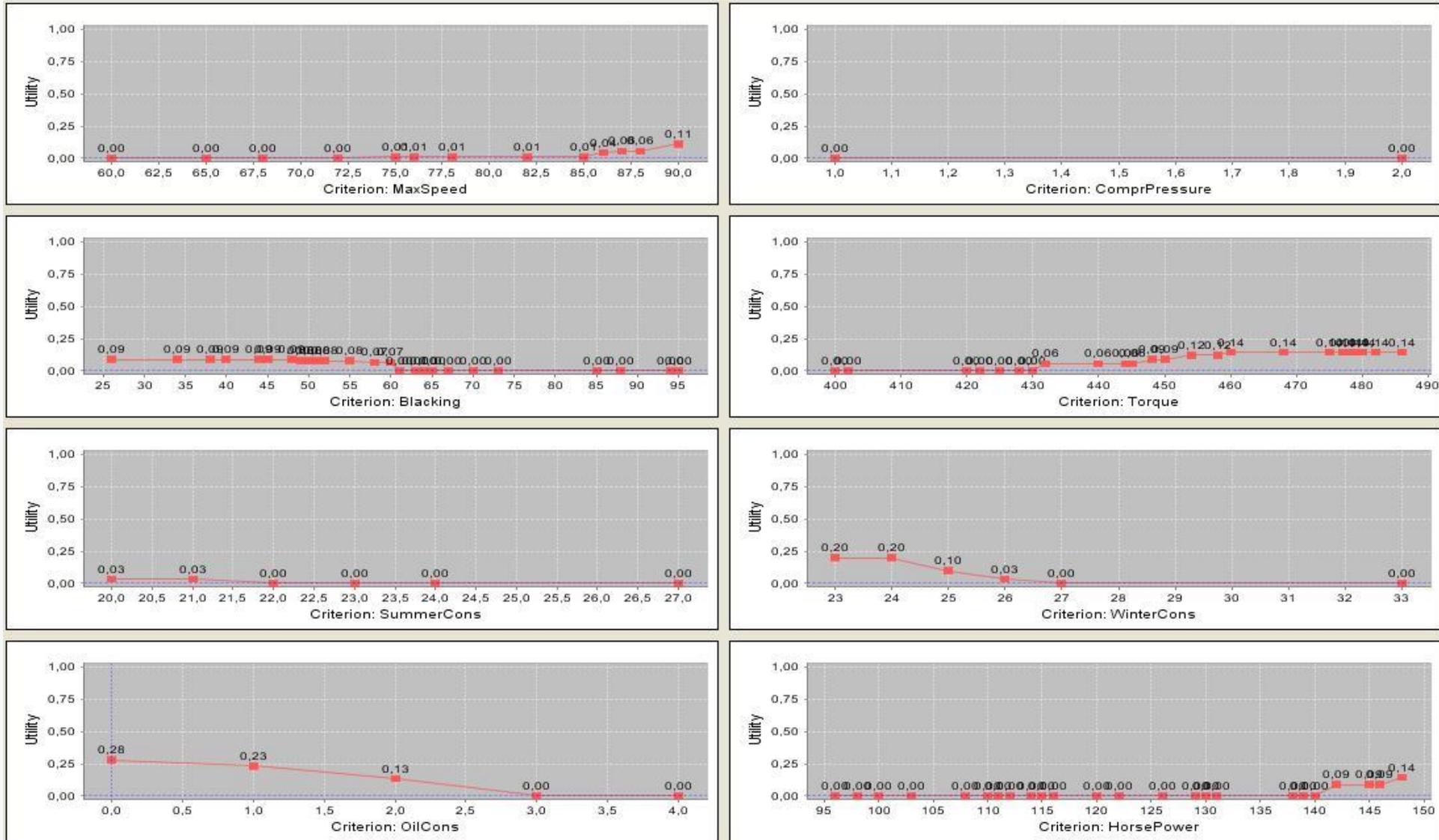
Preference information given by the DM – 1st iteration

- **Pairwise comparisons of some buses**
 - $b04 \succ b08$
 - $b05 \succ b22$
- **Overall intensity of preference**
 - $(b01, b06) \sim (b20, b30)$
- **Intensity of preference on criterion *MaxSpeed***
 - $(b01, b04) \succ_{MaxSpeed} (b13, b15)$
i.e. $(90, 88) \succ_{MaxSpeed} (88, 68)$

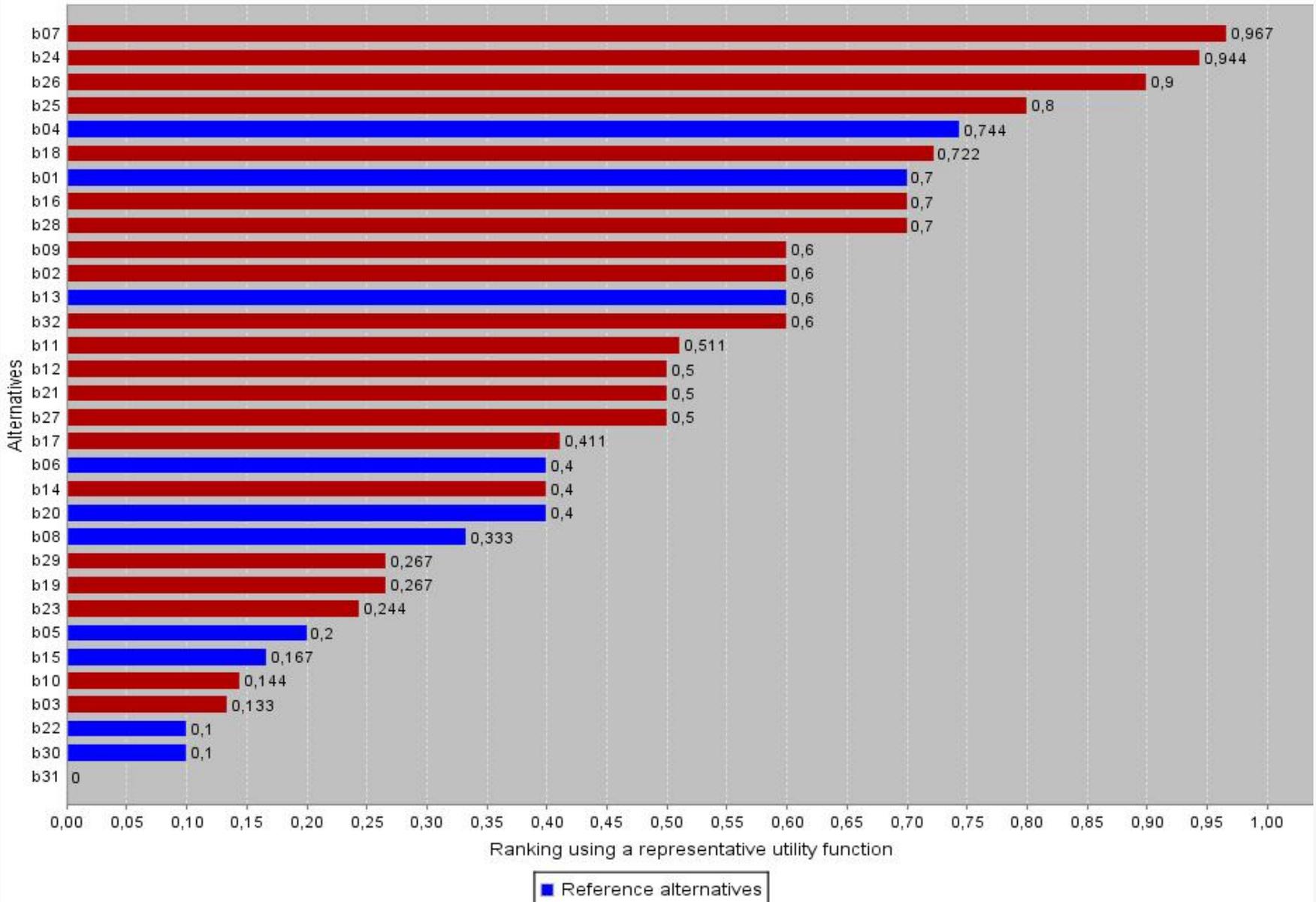
Necessary ranking graph – 1st iteration



Representative value function – 1st iteration



Representative ranking – 1st iteration



Rules induced from PCT representing necessary preference relation

All rules: 313

Minimal cover rules: 11

- 1** (SummerCons_x \leq 20) & (HorsePower_y \leq 146) \Rightarrow (Rel = NEC)
- 2** (Torque_x \geq 486) & (WinterCons_y \geq 25) \Rightarrow (Rel = NEC)
- 3** (SummerCons_y \geq 24) & (HorsePower_y \leq 115) & (WinterCons_x \leq 27) \Rightarrow (Rel = NEC)
- 4** (WinterCons_y \geq 27) & (Torque_x \geq 444) \Rightarrow (Rel = NEC)
- 5** (Torque_x \geq 468) & (MaxSpeed_y \leq 87) & (SummerCons_x \leq 21) & (WinterCons_y \geq 25) \Rightarrow (Rel = NEC)
- 6** (WinterCons_x \leq 24) & (HorsePower_y \leq 98) \Rightarrow (Rel = NEC)
- 7** (WinterCons_x \leq 23) & (HorsePower_y \leq 108) \Rightarrow (Rel = NEC)
- 8** (WinterCons_y \geq 33) & (HorsePower_x \geq 116) & (MaxSpeed_x \geq 76) \Rightarrow (Rel = NEC)
- 9** (Blacking_x \leq 26) & (SummerCons_y \geq 22) & (WinterCons_y \geq 24) \Rightarrow (Rel = NEC)
- 10** (MaxSpeed_x \geq 90) & (WinterCons_y \geq 26) & (SummerCons_y \geq 22) \Rightarrow (Rel = NEC)
- 11** (SummerCons_y \geq 23) & (Blacking_x \leq 55) & (WinterCons_y \geq 26) \Rightarrow (Rel = NEC)

Rules induced from PCT representing possible preference relation

All rules: 930

Minimal cover rules: 9

1(HorsePower_x \geq 146) \Rightarrow (Rel = POSSIBLE)

2(WinterCons_x \leq 24) & (WinterCons_y \geq 25) \Rightarrow (Rel = POSSIBLE)

3(HorsePower_y \leq 110) & (HorsePower_x \geq 110) \Rightarrow (Rel = POSSIBLE)

4(WinterCons_y \geq 33) \Rightarrow (Rel = POSSIBLE)

5(SummerCons_x \leq 21) & (SummerCons_y \geq 22) \Rightarrow (Rel = POSSIBLE)

6(HorsePower_y \leq 100) & (WinterCons_x \leq 24) \Rightarrow (Rel = POSSIBLE)

7(WinterCons_x \leq 23) & (SummerCons_y \geq 22) \Rightarrow (Rel = POSSIBLE)

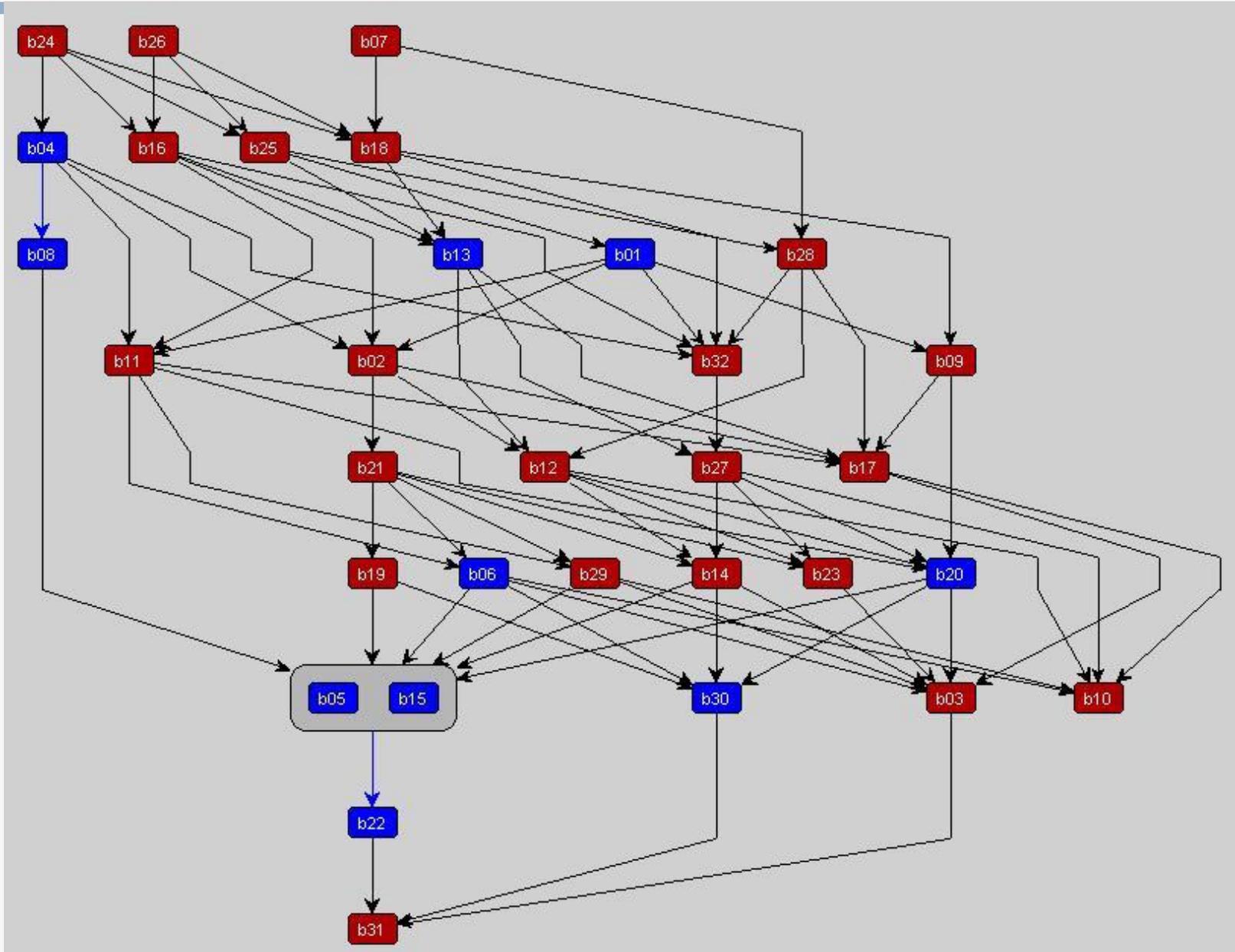
8(MaxSpeed_y \leq 76) & (HorsePower_x \geq 114) \Rightarrow (Rel = POSSIBLE)

9(Blacking_y \geq 61) & (Blacking_x \leq 61) \Rightarrow (Rel = POSSIBLE)

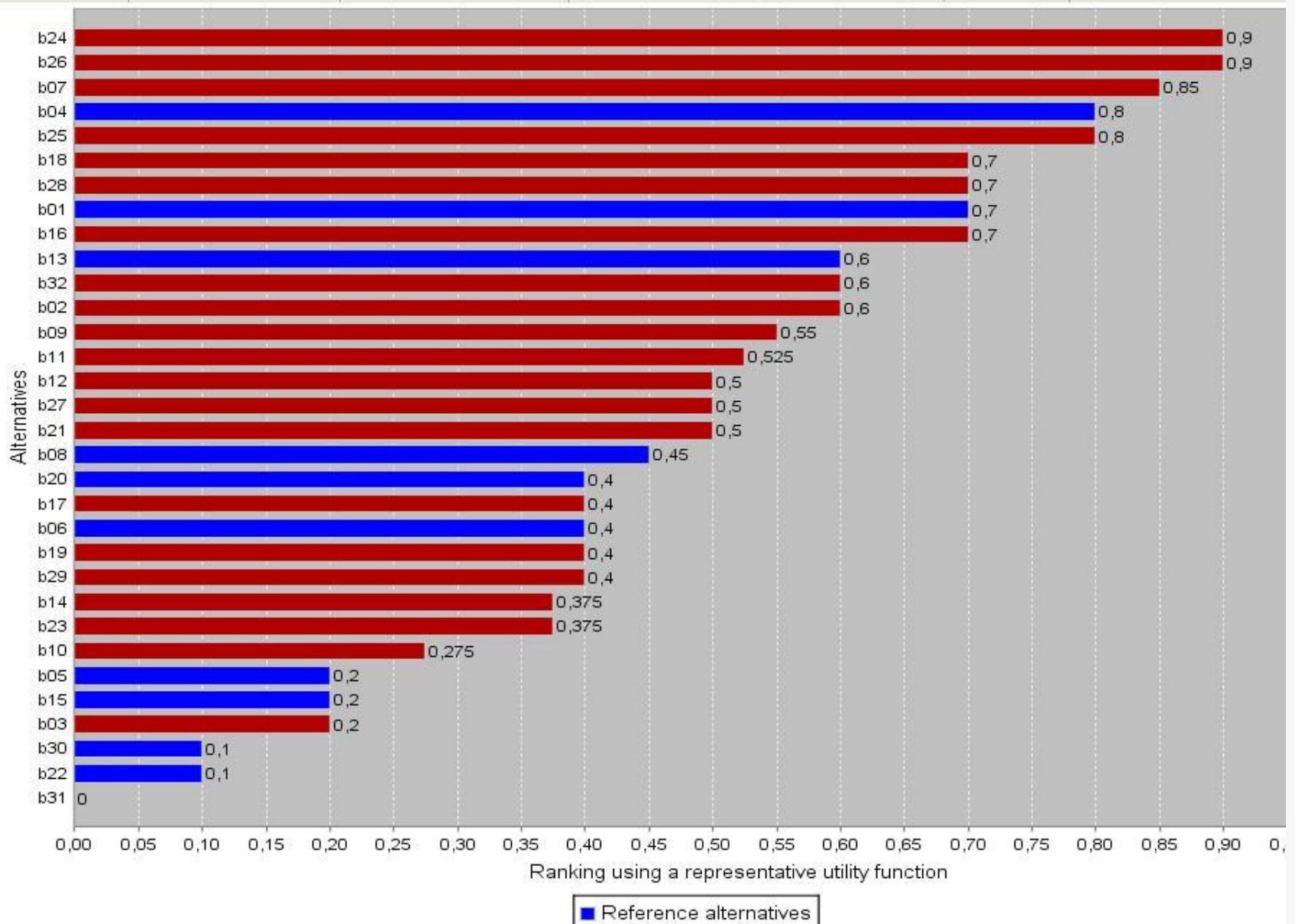
Preference information given by the DM – 2nd iteration

- The DM adds new preference information:
 - b05 ~ b15

Necessary ranking graph – 2nd iteration



Representative ranking – 2nd iteration



Rules induced from PCT representing necessary preference relation

All rules: 426 (313) Minimal cover rules: 11 (4,5,6,8,9,10 are new)

1(SummerCons_x ≤ 20) & (HorsePower_y ≤ 146) => (Rel = NEC)

2(Torque_x ≥ 486) & (WinterCons_y ≥ 25) => (Rel = NEC)

3(HorsePower_y ≤ 108) & (WinterCons_x ≤ 23) => (Rel = NEC)

4(WinterCons_y ≥ 27) & (Blacking_x ≤ 58) => (Rel = NEC)

5(HorsePower_y ≤ 100) & (Blacking_x ≤ 73) & (SummerCons_x ≤ 22) => (Rel = NEC)

6(Torque_x ≥ 468) & (SummerCons_x ≤ 21) & WinterCons_y ≥ 24) & (MaxSpeed_y ≤ 87) => (Rel = NEC)

7(WinterCons_y ≥ 33) & (HorsePower_x ≥ 116) & (MaxSpeed_x ≥ 76) => (Rel = NEC)

8(WinterCons_x ≤ 24) & (HorsePower_y ≤ 100) => (Rel = NEC)

9(OilCons_y ≥ 3) & (WinterCons_x ≤ 24) & (HorsePower_y ≤ 108) => (Rel = NEC)

10(Blacking_x ≤ 26) & (SummerCons_y ≥ 22) & (WinterCons_y ≥ 24) => (Rel = NEC)

11(SummerCons_y ≥ 22) & (WinterCons_y ≥ 26) & (MaxSpeed_x ≥ 90) => (Rel = NEC)

Rules induced from PCT representing possible preference relation

All rules: 904 (930)

Minimal cover rules: 9 (2,4,6,8 are new)

1 (HorsePower_x \geq 146) \Rightarrow (Rel = POSSIBLE)

2 (SummerCons_y \geq 24) \Rightarrow (Rel = POSSIBLE)

3 (HorsePower_x \geq 110) & (HorsePower_y \leq 110) \Rightarrow (Rel = POSSIBLE)

4 (HorsePower_y \leq 100) & (OilCons_x \leq 2) \Rightarrow (Rel = POSSIBLE)

5 (SummerCons_x \leq 21) & (SummerCons_y \geq 22) \Rightarrow (Rel = POSSIBLE)

6 (WinterCons_x \leq 24) & (SummerCons_y \geq 23) \Rightarrow (Rel = POSSIBLE)

7 (WinterCons_x \leq 23) & (SummerCons_y \geq 22) \Rightarrow (Rel = POSSIBLE)

8 (WinterCons_x \leq 24) & (SummerCons_x \leq 22) & (WinterCons_y \geq 25) \Rightarrow (Rel = POS)

9 (Blacking_x \leq 61) & (Blacking_y \geq 61) \Rightarrow (Rel = POSSIBLE)

Rules changing from possible to necessary in new iteration

- Observe the pair: (b11, b05)
- In the 1st iteration: b11 \succeq^P b05 (covered by 459 possible rules)
- In the 2nd iteration: b11 \succeq^N b05 (covered by 97 necessary rules)

Strength	Minimal cover rules supported by (b11, b05)
266	(Blacking_x ≤ 61) & (Blacking_y ≥ 61) => (Rel = POSSIBLE)
264	(MaxSpeed_y ≤ 76) & (HorsePower_x ≥ 114) => (Rel = POSSIBLE)
240	(SummerCons_x ≤ 21) & (SummerCons_y ≥ 22) => (Rel = POSSIBLE)
162	(HorsePower_x ≥ 110) & (HorsePower_y ≤ 110) => (Rel = POSSIBLE)
72	(Blacking_x≤73)&(SummerCons_x≤22)&(HorsePower_y≤100)=> (Rel = NEC)

Analysing the strongest rules covering the pair (b11, b05)

■ 1st iteration

Strength	Possible rules
345	(Blacking_x ≤ 64) & (HorsePower_y ≤ 120) => (Rel = POSSIBLE)
345	(Torque_x ≥ 430) & (HorsePower_y ≤ 120) => (Rel = POSSIBLE)
323	(Torque_x ≥ 444) & (Torque_y ≤ 450) => (Rel = POSSIBLE)
323	(MaxSpeed_x ≥ 85) & (Torque_y ≤ 450) => (Rel = POSSIBLE)
315	(MaxSpeed_x ≥ 78) & (HorsePower_y ≤ 120) => (Rel = POSSIBLE)
304	(MaxSpeed_x ≥ 85) & (HorsePower_y ≤ 122) => (Rel = POSSIBLE)
304	(Torque_x ≥ 444) & (HorsePower_y ≤ 122) => (Rel = POSSIBLE)

■ 2nd iteration

Strength	Necessary rules
120	(SummerCons_x ≤ 22) & (OilCons_x ≤ 1) & (Blacking_y ≥ 70) => (Rel = NECESSARY)
108	(Blacking_x ≤ 61) & (SummerCons_x ≤ 22) & (Blacking_y ≥ 70) => (Rel = NECESSARY)
108	(Torque_x ≥ 444) & (SummerCons_x ≤ 22) & (Blacking_y ≥ 70) => (Rel = NECESSARY)
102	(Torque_x ≥ 448) & (Blacking_y ≥ 70) => (Rel = NECESSARY)
102	(HorsePower_x ≥ 122) & (Blacking_y ≥ 70) => (Rel = NECESSARY)
102	(Torque_x ≥ 448) & (Blacking_y ≥ 67) & (WinterCons_y ≥ 24) => (Rel = NECESSARY)
102	(Torque_x ≥ 448) & (Torque_y ≤ 425) & (WinterCons_y ≥ 24) => (Rel = NECESSARY)
102	(HorsePower_x ≥ 122) & (Blacking_y ≥ 67) & (WinterCons_y ≥ 24) => (Rel = NECESSARY)
102	(HorsePower_x ≥ 122) & (Torque_y ≤ 425) & (WinterCons_y ≥ 24) => (Rel = NECESSARY)

Other methodological extensions of DRSA

- DRSA for Choice and Ranking with multi-graded preference relations
- DRSA as a Way of Handling Fuzzy-Rough Hybridization
- DRSA for Case-Based Reasoning
- DRSA for Decision Under Uncertainty and Time Preference
- DRSA for Ordinal Classification with Imprecise or Missing Evaluations and Assignments
- DRSA for Hierarchical Structure of Attributes and Criteria
- DRSA for Financial Portfolio Decision
- DRSA for Customer Satisfaction Analysis
- Robustness analysis for multiple criteria ranking and choice
- Robustness analysis for decision under uncertainty and group decision

Conclusions

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- Monotonic "*if..., then...*" **decision rules** give account of **most complex interactions** among attributes, require **weaker axioms** than other preference models, and can represent **inconsistent preferences**
- Heterogeneous information (**attributes, criteria**) and attribute scales (**ordinal, cardinal**) can be handled by DRSA.
- DRSA exploits **ordinal information** only, and decision rules **do not convert ordinal information** into **numeric one**.
- DRSA supplies **useful elements of knowledge** about decision situation:
 - **certain and doubtful knowledge** distinguished by lower and upper appx.
 - **relevance** of particular attributes and information about their **interaction**,
 - **reducts** & **core** of attributes conveying important knowledge contained in data,
 - **decision rules** can be used for **explanation** of past decisions, for **decision support** and for **strategic interventions**.
- DRSA has sound theoretical foundations (**bipolar algebra, bitopology, Bayesian confirmation theory**)

Software available on the web

ROSE

ROugh Set data Explorer

<http://idss.cs.put.poznan.pl/site/rose.html>

jMAF & jRank

Decision Support Tools for Rule-based Analysis and Solving
of Multi-Attribute and Multi-Criteria Decision Problems

<http://www.cs.put.poznan.pl/jblaszczyński/Site/jRS.html>

<http://www.cs.put.poznan.pl/mszelag/Software/jRank/jRank.html>

THANK YOU!

<http://idss.cs.put.poznan.pl/site/software.html>

An impressionistic oil painting of a riverbank. The scene is dominated by a wide river with dark, swirling blue and green water. On the right bank, there is a dense thicket of trees and bushes, rendered with thick, textured brushstrokes in shades of brown, grey, and white. The background shows a hazy, light-colored sky and distant trees. The overall style is expressive and atmospheric, with visible brushwork throughout.

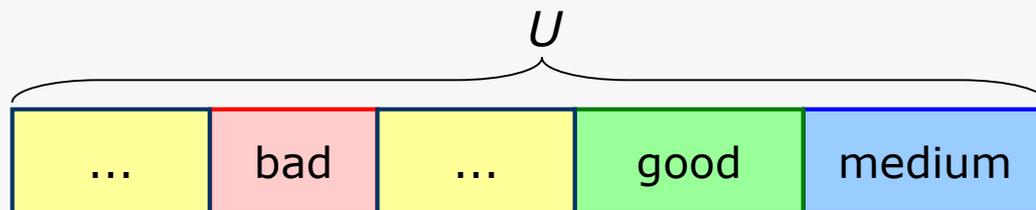
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Algebra for DRSA

Algebraic models for DRSA: bipolarity

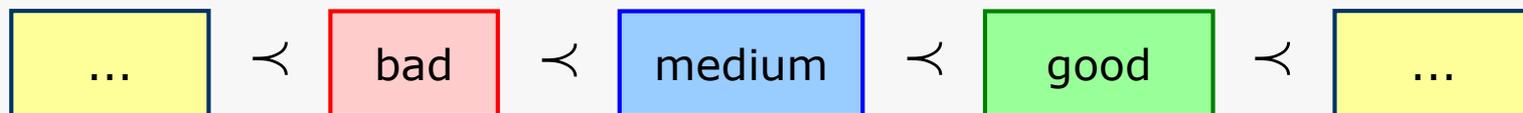
- In **Classical Rough Set Theory**, one approximates **subsets of U** , e.g.:

- bad objects,
- medium objects,
- good objects.



- In **Dominance-based Rough Set Theory**, one approximates **unions of ordered subsets of U** – **downward unions**, e.g.:

- at most bad objects (i.e., bad or worse objects)
- at most medium objects (i.e., medium or worse objects)

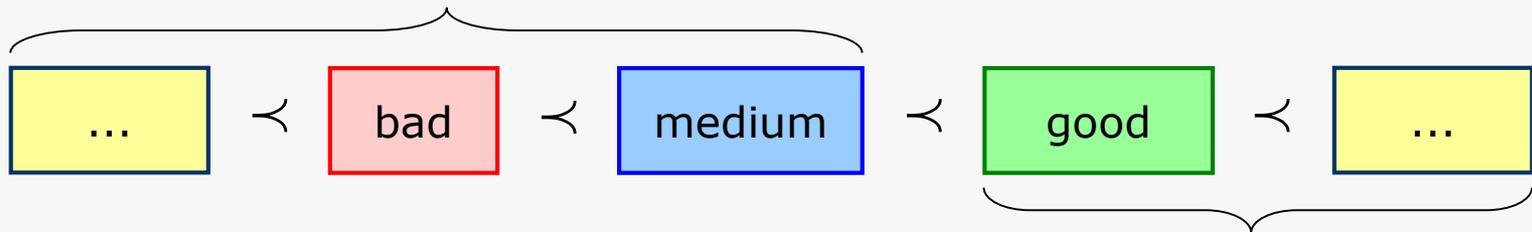


- and **upward unions**, e.g.:

- at least medium objects (i.e. medium or better objects)
- at least good objects (i.e. good or better objects)

Algebraic models for DRSA: bipolarity

- Important remarks
 - Lower & upper approximations for downward unions are different operators from lower & upper approximations for upward unions
 - The complement of a downward union is an upward union, and vice versa, e.g.:



Bipolar disjoint representation using DRSA

- In general, given a finite set of objects (**universe**) U , we consider a **partial preorder relation** R on U (i.e., R is reflexive and transitive)
- R can be a **dominance relation** w.r.t. a subset of properties
- For any object $y \in U$, the elementary sets (**granules**) used for building rough approximations are:

$$R^+(y) = \{x \in U: xRy\} \quad \text{and} \quad R^-(y) = \{x \in U: yRx\}$$

(e.g., positive and negative **dominance cones**)

Bipolar disjoint representation using DRSA

- For every set $X \subseteq U$, we define its **upward** lower approximation and its **upward** upper approximation :

$$\underline{R}^{(>)}(X) = \{x \in U: R^+(x) \subseteq X\}$$
$$\overline{R}^{(>)}(X) = \{x \in U: R^-(x) \cap X \neq \emptyset\}$$

- Analogously, we define **downward** lower approximation and **downward** upper approximation of set $X \subseteq U$:

$$\underline{R}^{(<)}(X) = \{x \in U: R^-(x) \subseteq X\}$$
$$\overline{R}^{(<)}(X) = \{x \in U: R^+(x) \cap X \neq \emptyset\}$$

Bipolar disjoint representation using DRSA

- According to Rough Set philosophy, each **concept** X is represented by the pair (I, E) , where
 - I (**the interior**) is the lower approximation of set $X \subseteq U$
 - E (**the exterior**) is the complement in U of the upper approx. of X

I is the set of objects that **certainly belong** to the concept

E is the set of objects that **certainly do not belong** to the concept

Bipolar disjoint representation using DRSA

- The **algebraic structures** for DRSA are based on representation of the approximations of X in terms of pairs (I^+, E^+) and (I^-, E^-) , called **bipolar disjoint representation (BDR)**:

positive interior and exterior of concept X :

$$I^+(X) = \underline{R}^{(>)}(X), \quad E^+(X) = U - \overline{R}^{(>)}(X)$$

negative interior and exterior of concept X :

$$I^-(X) = \underline{R}^{(<)}(X), \quad E^-(X) = U - \overline{R}^{(<)}(X)$$

Bipolar disjoint representation using DRSA

- In the context of BDR, **union** and **intersection** of sets is represented by the operation of **join** \vee and **meet** \wedge

$$(I(X), E(X)) \vee (I(Y), E(Y)) = (I(X) \cup I(Y), E(X) \cap E(Y))$$

$$(I(X), E(X)) \wedge (I(Y), E(Y)) = (I(X) \cap I(Y), E(X) \cup E(Y))$$

- The same formula holds for pairs (I^+, E^+) and (I^-, E^-)

Bipolar disjoint representation using DRSA

- Moreover, one can use different bipolar **negations**, e.g.:

- **Kleene complementations** $'^+ : \Sigma^+ \rightarrow \Sigma^-$ and $'^- : \Sigma^- \rightarrow \Sigma^+$

$$(I^+(X), E^+(X))'^+ = (E^+(X), I^+(X))$$

$$(I^-(X), E^+(X))'^- = (E^-(X), I^-(X))$$

- **Brouwer complementations** $\sim^+ : \Sigma^+ \rightarrow \Sigma^-$ and $\sim^- : \Sigma^- \rightarrow \Sigma^+$

$$(I^+(X), E^+(X))^{\sim^+} = (E^+(X), U - E^+(X))$$

$$(I^-(X), E^+(X))^{\sim^-} = (E^-(X), U - E^-(X))$$

Algebraic models for DRSA: bipolarity

- A typical algebra for Classical Rough Set Theory:
 - System $\langle \Sigma, \wedge, \vee, ', \sim, 0, 1 \rangle$
is a **Brouwer-Zadeh distributive lattice**
if the following properties (required by rough approximations) hold ...
- A typical algebra for Dominance-based Rough Set Theory:
 - System $\langle \Sigma, \Sigma^+, \Sigma^-, \wedge, \vee, ' ^+, ' ^-, \sim^+, \sim^-, 0, 1 \rangle$
is a **bipolar Brouwer-Zadeh distributive lattice**
if the following properties (required by DRSA approximations) hold...

Algebraic models for DRSA: bipolarity

- One can generalize all algebra models proposed for Classical Rough Sets to Dominance-based Rough Sets:
 - Nelson algebra → **Bipolar** Nelson algebra
 - Heyting algebra → **Bipolar** Heyting algebra
 - Wajsberg algebra → **Bipolar** Wajsberg algebra
 - Stone algebra → **Bipolar** Stone algebra
 - Łukasiewicz algebra → **Bipolar** Łukasiewicz algebra
 - Brouwer-Zadeh algebra → **Bipolar** Brouwer-Zadeh algebra
 - ...
- These algebra models give elegant representations of basic properties of Dominance-based Rough Sets

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Bipolar de Morgan Brouwer-Zadeh lattice as a model for DRSA

- A proper algebraic structure for ordinal classification with monotonicity constraints is a **bipolar de Morgan Brouwer-Zadeh lattice**

$$\langle \Sigma, \Sigma^+, \Sigma^-, \wedge, \vee, ' +, ' -, \sim^+, \sim^-, 0, 1 \rangle$$

where

$\Sigma = \{(I, E) : I, E \subseteq U \text{ and } I \cap E = \emptyset\}$ - set of concepts

$\Sigma^+ = \{(I, E) : \exists X \in U \text{ such that } I = I^+(X), E = E^+(X)\}$ - positive concepts

$\Sigma^- = \{(I, E) : \exists Y \in U \text{ such that } I = I^-(Y), E = E^-(Y)\}$ - negative concepts

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Bipolar quasi Brouwer-Zadeh Distributive Lattices (1)

- A system $\langle \Sigma, \Sigma^+, \Sigma^-, \wedge, \vee, ' ^+, ' ^-, \sim^+, \sim^-, 0, 1 \rangle$ is a **bipolar quasi Brouwer-Zadeh distributive lattice** if the following properties hold:
 - $\langle \Sigma, \wedge, \vee, 0, 1 \rangle$ is a distributive lattice
 - $\langle \Sigma^+, \wedge, \vee, 0, 1 \rangle, \langle \Sigma^-, \wedge, \vee, 0, 1 \rangle$ are distributive lattices with $\Sigma^+, \Sigma^- \subseteq \Sigma$
 - $' ^+: \Sigma^+ \rightarrow \Sigma^-$ and $' ^-: \Sigma^- \rightarrow \Sigma^+$ are **bipolar Kleene complementations**, that is for all $a, b \in \Sigma^+$ and $c, d \in \Sigma^-$
 - (K1b) $a' ^+ ' ^- = a, c' ^- ' ^+ = c$
 - (K2b) $(a \vee b)' ^+ = a' ^+ \wedge b' ^+, (c \vee d)' ^- = c' ^- \wedge d' ^-$
 - (K3b) $a \wedge a' ^+ \leq b \vee b' ^+, c \wedge c' ^- \leq d \vee d'$

Bipolar Quasi Brouwer-Zadeh Distributive Lattices (2)

- $\sim^+ : \Sigma^+ \rightarrow \Sigma^-$ and $\sim^- : \Sigma^- \rightarrow \Sigma^+$ are bipolar **Brouwer complementations**, that is for all $a, b \in \Sigma^+$ and $c, d \in \Sigma^-$:
 - (B1b) $a \wedge a^{\sim^+ \sim^-} = a, c \wedge c^{\sim^- \sim^+} = c$
 - (B2b) $(a \vee b)^{\sim^+} = a^{\sim^+} \wedge b^{\sim^+}, (c \vee d)^{\sim^-} = c^{\sim^-} \wedge d^{\sim^-}$
 - (B3b) $a \wedge a^{\sim^+} = 0, c \wedge c^{\sim^-} = 0$
- (win-b) for all $a \in \Sigma^+$ and $b \in \Sigma^-$, $a^{\sim^+} \leq a'^+$ and $b^{\sim^-} \leq b'^-$
- A bipolar **quasi** Brouwer-Zadeh lattice is a bipolar Brouwer-Zadeh lattice if stronger interconnection rule is satisfied:
- (in-b) for all $a \in \Sigma^+$ and $b \in \Sigma^-$, $a^{\sim^+ \sim^-} = a^{\sim^+ '^-}$ and $b^{\sim^- \sim^+} = b^{\sim^- ' ^+}$

Bipolar Brouwer-Zadeh Distributive De Morgan Lattices

- A bipolar Brouwer-Zadeh lattice is a bipolar **de Morgan** Brouwer-Zadeh lattice if it satisfies the \wedge -de Morgan property:
- (B2a-b) for all $a, b \in \Sigma^+$ and $c, d \in \Sigma^-$
- $(a \wedge b)^{\sim^+} = a^{\sim^+} \vee b^{\sim^+}$, $(c \wedge d)^{\sim^-} = c^{\sim^-} \vee d^{\sim^-}$

Topology for DRSA

Bitopological spaces

- A **bitopological space** is a triple (X, τ_1, τ_2) where X is a set and τ_1 and τ_2 are two topologies (Kelly1963).
- Using τ_1 and τ_2 , one can define two **interior operators** I_1 and I_2
- Then, the bitopological space can be represented by the triple (X, I_1, I_2)
- From interior operators I_1 and I_2 one can be define **closure operators** C_1 and C_2 in the usual way: for all $A \subseteq X$

$$C_1(A) = X - I_2(X - A), \quad C_2(A) = X - I_1(X - A)$$

- A bitopological space satisfies the **biclopen sets property** if for all $A \subseteq X$

$$C_1(I_1(A)) = I_1(A), \quad C_2(I_2(A)) = I_2(A), \quad I_1(C_1(A)) = C_1(A), \quad I_2(C_2(A)) = C_2(A)$$

Bitopological spaces and DRSA

- **Theorem** (Bezhanishvili et al. 2010) If (X, I_1, I_2) is a bitopological space having biclopen sets property, then there exists a partial preorder \succeq in X such that there exist two bases for τ_1 and τ_2 , resp.,

$$\{\{y \in X: y \succeq x\}: x \in X\} \cup \{\emptyset\}, \quad \{\{y \in X: x \succeq y\}: x \in X\} \cup \{\emptyset\}.$$

- **DRSA**: (U, R^+, R^-) is a bitopological space and the two bases for R^+, R^- :

$$\{\{R^+(x): x \in U\} \cup \{\emptyset\}\}, \quad \{\{R^-(x): x \in U\} \cup \{\emptyset\}\}.$$

- Lower & upper appx of DRSA are interior & closure operators of (U, R^+, R^-)

- (U, τ, R) with R the partial preorder (dominance) relation of DRSA and

$$\tau = \{R^+(x): x \in U\} \cup \{R^-(x): x \in U\} \cup \{\emptyset\}$$

can also be seen as a Priestley topological space (Priestley 1971)

DRSA as a way of handling
Fuzzy-Rough Hybridization

DRSA as a proper way of handling graduality in Rough Set Theory

- Rough set concept refers to some ideas of [Gottlob Frege](#) (vague concepts), [Gottfried Leibniz](#) (indiscernibility), [George Boole](#) (reasoning methods), [Jan Łukasiewicz](#) (multi-valued logic), and [Thomas Bayes](#) (inductive reasoning)

- [Gottfried Leibniz](#) (Leibniz's law)

„identity of indiscernibles” is a principle of analytic ontology :

if x and y are indiscernible, then x has the same properties as y (i.e. $x=y$)

the converse principle is called „indiscernibility of identicals”:

if x has the same properties as y (i.e. $x=y$), then x and y are indiscernible

- Rough set theory by [Zdzisław Pawlak](#) uses a weaker Leibniz's law to classify objects falling under the same concept – weakened „identity of indiscernibles”:

*if x and y are indiscernible, then x and y **belong** to the same class*

„Indiscernibility of identicals” cannot be reformulated analogously, because it is not true that *if x and y belong to the same class, then x and y are indiscernible*

DRSA as a proper way of handling graduality in Rough Set Theory

- From the viewpoint of granular computing, „class” is a synonym of „granule” :

*„if x and y are indiscernible,
then x and y **belong** to the same classification granule”*

- The relaxation in the consequence of the „identity of indiscernibles” implicitly implies a relaxation in the antecedent :

*„if x and y are indiscernible **taking into account a given set of properties**,
then x and y **belong** to the same classification granule”*

- This weakening in the antecedent means also that **the objects indiscernible with respect to a given set of properties can be seen as a granule**:

*„if x and y **belong to the same granule wrt a given set of properties**,
then x and y **belong** to the same classification granule”*

- Rough set theory needs a still **weaker** form of „identity of indiscernibles”

DRSA as a proper way of handling graduality in Rough Set Theory

- According to **Gottlob Frege**:

„A concept must have a sharp boundary.

To the (**vague**) concept without a sharp boundary there would correspond an area that had not a sharp boundary-line all around”

- Following this intuition, one can further reformulate the „**identity of indiscernibles**”:

*„if **x** and **y** are indiscernible, then **x** and **y** **should belong** to the same class”*

This formulation implies that there is an **inconsistency** if **x** and **y** are indiscernible and they belong to different classes

- In terms of granular computing:

*„if **x** and **y** **belong to the same granule wrt a given set of properties**, then **x** and **y** **should belong** to the same classification granule”*

- This corresponds exactly to the **rough set concept** proposed by Pawlak

DRSA as a proper way of handling graduality in Rough Set Theory

- The Pawlak's rough set should be completed, however, by referring to another idea, given by **George Boole**, and concerning **presence** (truth) or **absence** (falsity) of a property for an object.
- **Jan Łukasiewicz** has enriched the 0-1 truth values by considering **gradual truth** in many-valued logic – thus, the property can be **true to some degree**
- The Łukasiewicz's idea of graduality has been reconsidered and fully exploited by **Lotfi Zadeh** within **fuzzy set** theory, where graduality concerns **membership to a set**

DRSA as a proper way of handling graduality in Rough Set Theory

- Any proposal of **putting rough sets and fuzzy sets together** can be seen as a reconstruction of the rough set concept, where the Boole's binary logic is substituted by Łukasiewicz's multi-valued logic, such that the Leibniz's identity of indiscernibles and the Frege's intuition about vagueness are combined through the idea that a **property is true to some degree**:

*„if the **degree of each property** for **x** is **at least as high as** the degree for **y**, then **x should belong** to the considered class **in degree at least as high as y**”*

- This formulation is perfectly concordant with the **Dominance-based Rough Set Approach** – it handles the monotonic relationship in exactly the same way

DRSA as a proper way of handling graduality in Rough Set Theory

- In terms of **granular computing**, the hybridized concept of rough-fuzzy set, which is concordant with DRSA, can be summarized as:

„if x belongs to the granule defined by considered properties not less than y , then x should belong to the classification granule in degree at least as high as y ”

Remarks on fuzzy set extensions of rough sets (before DRSA)

- Nakamura & Gao 1991; Dubois & Prade 1992; Lin 1992; Słowiński 1995; Pal 1996; Słowiński & Stefanowski 1996; Yao 1997; Cattaneo 1998; Morsi & Yakout 1998; Greco, Matarazzo & Słowiński 1999, 2000; Thiele 2000; Inuiguchi & Tanino 2002; Polkowski 2002, Greco, Inuiguchi & Słowiński 2002, Radzikowska & Kerre 2003; Wu, Mi & Zhang 2003; ...
- The fuzzy extensions of Pawlak's definition of lower and upper approximations use **fuzzy connectives** (t-norm, t-conorm, fuzzy implication)
- In general, **fuzzy connectives depend on cardinal properties** of membership degrees, i.e. the result is sensitive to order preserving transformation of membership degrees

An example of a fuzzy logic operator: the t-conorm

- Within fuzzy logic t-conorm corresponds to „or“ operator in classical logic.
- A t-conorm is a function $T^*: [0,1] \times [0,1] \rightarrow [0,1]$ such that if
 - credibility of proposition p is $\alpha \in [0,1]$, and
 - credibility of proposition q is $\beta \in [0,1]$then
 - credibility of proposition $p \vee q$ is $T^*(\alpha, \beta)$.
- E.g., using the **t-conorm of Łukasiewicz** credibility of proposition $p \vee q$ is
$$T^*(\alpha, \beta) = \min\{\alpha + \beta, 1\}.$$
- Formally a t-conorm is a function $T^*: [0,1] \times [0,1] \rightarrow [0,1]$ being non decreasing in its two arguments, associative, commutative and such that for all $\alpha \in [0,1]$, $T^*(\alpha, 1) = \alpha$.

Remarks on fuzzy extensions of rough sets

- Consider the **t-conorm of Łukasiewicz**: $T^*(\alpha, \beta) = \min\{\alpha + \beta, 1\}$, the following values of arguments:

$$\alpha=0.5, \beta=0.3, \gamma=0.2, \delta=0.1$$

and their order preserving transformation:

$$\alpha'=0.4, \beta'=0.3, \gamma'=0.2, \delta'=0.05.$$

The values of the t-conorm are:

$$T^*(\alpha, \delta) = 0.6 \quad > \quad T^*(\beta, \gamma) = 0.5$$

$$T^*(\alpha', \delta') = 0.45 \quad < \quad T^*(\beta', \gamma') = 0.5$$

- The **order of the results has changed** after the order preserving transformation of the arguments.
- This means that the Łukasiewicz t-conorm **takes into account not only the ordinal properties of the membership degrees, but also their cardinal properties.**

Which t-conorm to choose? Is there some „right” one?

- Max: $T^*(\alpha, \beta) = \max\{\alpha, \beta\}$?
- t-conorm of Łukasiewicz: $T^*(\alpha, \beta) = \min\{\alpha + \beta, 1\}$?
- Probabilistic sum: $T^*(\alpha, \beta) = \alpha + \beta - \alpha\beta$?
- Drastic t-conorm: $T^*(\alpha, \beta) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } \alpha = 0 \text{ or } \beta = 0 \\ 1 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$?
- Nilpotent maximum: $T^*(\alpha, \beta) = \begin{cases} \max(\alpha, \beta) & \text{if } \alpha + \beta < 1 \\ 1 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$?
- Frank t-conorm: $T^*(\alpha, \beta) = 1 - \log_{\lambda} \left(1 + \frac{(\lambda^{1-\alpha} - 1)(\lambda^{1-\beta} - 1)}{\lambda - 1} \right)$?
- ...

Remarks on fuzzy extensions of rough sets

- **A natural question arises:** is it reasonable to expect from membership degree a **cardinal meaning instead of ordinal only**?
- In other words, is it realistic to think that a human is able to express in a meaningful way not only that

„object x belongs to fuzzy set X more likely than object y ”

but even something like

„object x belongs to fuzzy set X two times more likely than object y ”?

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Dominance-based (monotonic) Rough Approximation of a Fuzzy Set

- The dominance-based rough approximation of a fuzzy set avoids arbitrary choice of fuzzy connectives and not meaningful operations on membership degrees
- Approximation of knowledge about Y using knowledge about X is based on positive or negative relationships between premises and conclusions, called *gradual rules*, i.e.:
 - i) „the more x is X , the more it is Y ” (positive relationship)
 - ii) „the more x is X , the less it is Y ” (negative relationship)
- Example:
 - „the larger the market share of a company, the larger its profit”
 - „the larger the debt of a company, the smaller its profit”

Dominance-based (monotonic) Rough Approximation of a Fuzzy Set

- These monotonic relationships have the form of *gradual decision rules*:
 - „if a car is **speedy** with credibility **at least 0.8**
and it has **high fuel consumption** with credibility **at most 0.7**,
then it is a **good car** with a credibility **at least 0.9**”
 - „if a car is **speedy** with credibility **at most 0.5**
and it has **high fuel consumption** with credibility **at least 0.8**,
then it is a **good car** with a credibility **at most 0.6**”
- The syntax of gradual decision rules is based on **monotonic relationships between degrees of credibility**, as in monotonic decision rules induced from preference-ordered data.
- This explains why one can build a **fuzzy-rough approximation using DRSA**

DRSA as an approach to computing with words

- Classical fuzzy set approach to **computing with words**:
 - i) **qualitative inputs**, such as „very bad“, „bad“, „medium“, „good“, „very good“
 - ii) **numerical codification** of the inputs (**fuzzification**): e.g.
„very bad“=0, „bad“=0.25, „medium“=0.5, „good“=0.75, „very good“=1
 - iii) **algebraic operations** on numerical codes : e.g.
„comprehensive evaluation of a student good in mathematics and medium in physics“= $(0.75+0.5)/2=0.625$
 - iv) **recodification in qualitative terms** of the calculation result (**defuzzification**):
e.g., 0.625=between medium and good
- Dominance-based Rough Set Approach **does not need fuzzification and defuzzification**: e.g.
„*if* the student is at least medium in Mathematics *and*
at least medium in Literature, *then* the student is at least medium“