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Biomedical decision support

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Overview

- Decision support
 - Markov blanket
 - Utility
 - Optimal decision
 - Sequential decision
 - Optimal stopping
 - Value of information
 - Examples for optimal decision
 - Risk models and their characterization

Bayesian networks

Directed acyclic graph (DAG)

- nodes – random variables/domain entities
- edges – direct probabilistic dependencies
(edges- causal relations)

Local models - $P(X_i | Pa(X_i))$

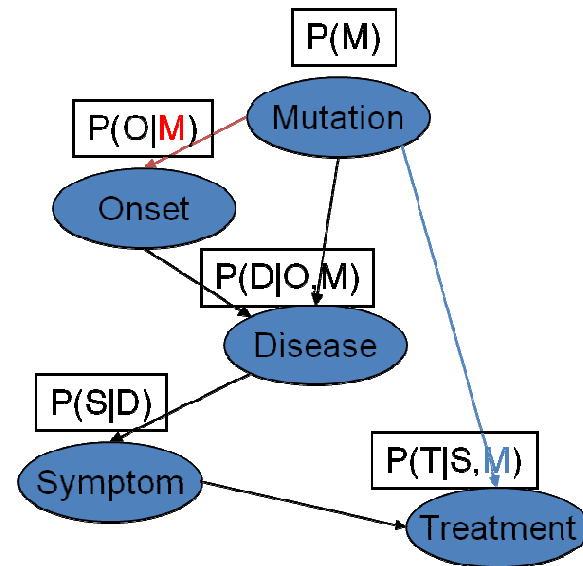
Three interpretations:

3. Concise representation of joint distributions

$$P(M, O, D, S, T) = P(M)P(O|M)P(D|O,M)P(S|D)P(T|S,M)$$

$$M_P = \{I_{P,1}(X_1; Y_1 | Z_1), \dots\}$$

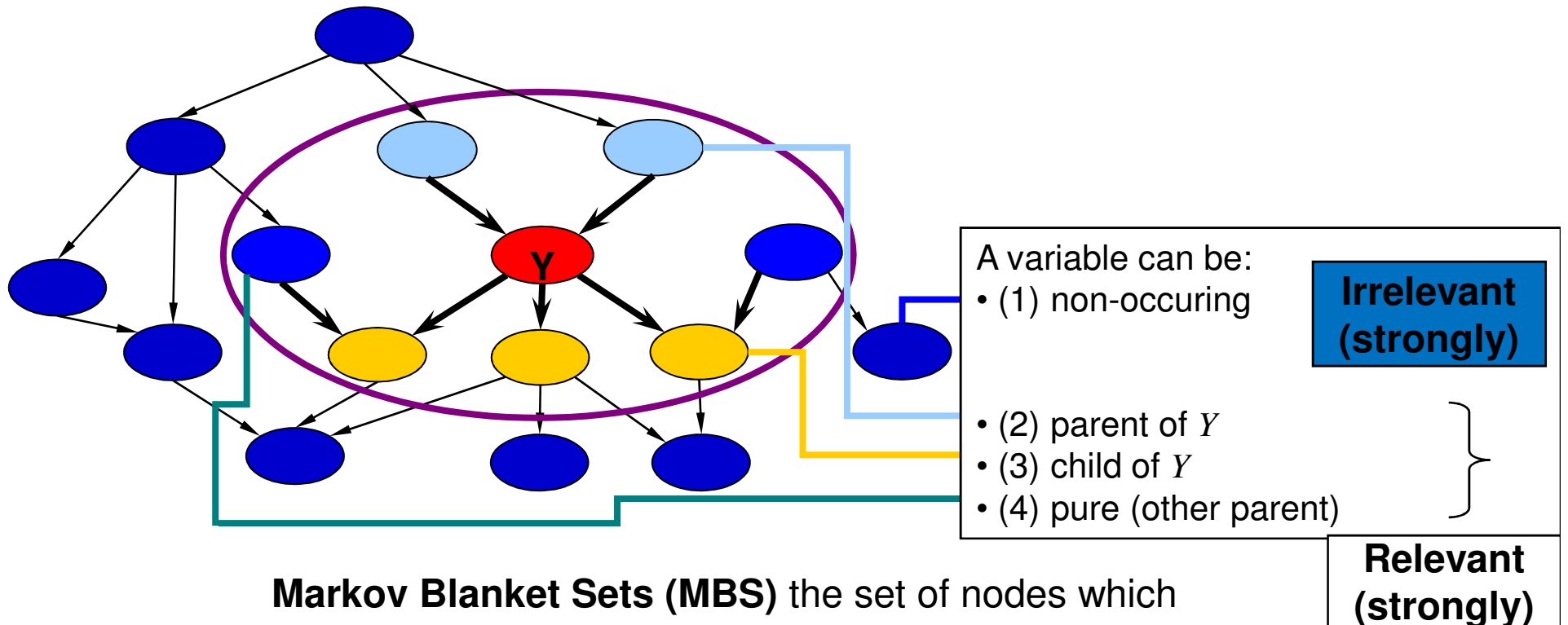
2. Graphical representation of (in)dependencies



1. Causal model

The Markov Blanket

A minimal sufficient set for prediction/diagnosis.

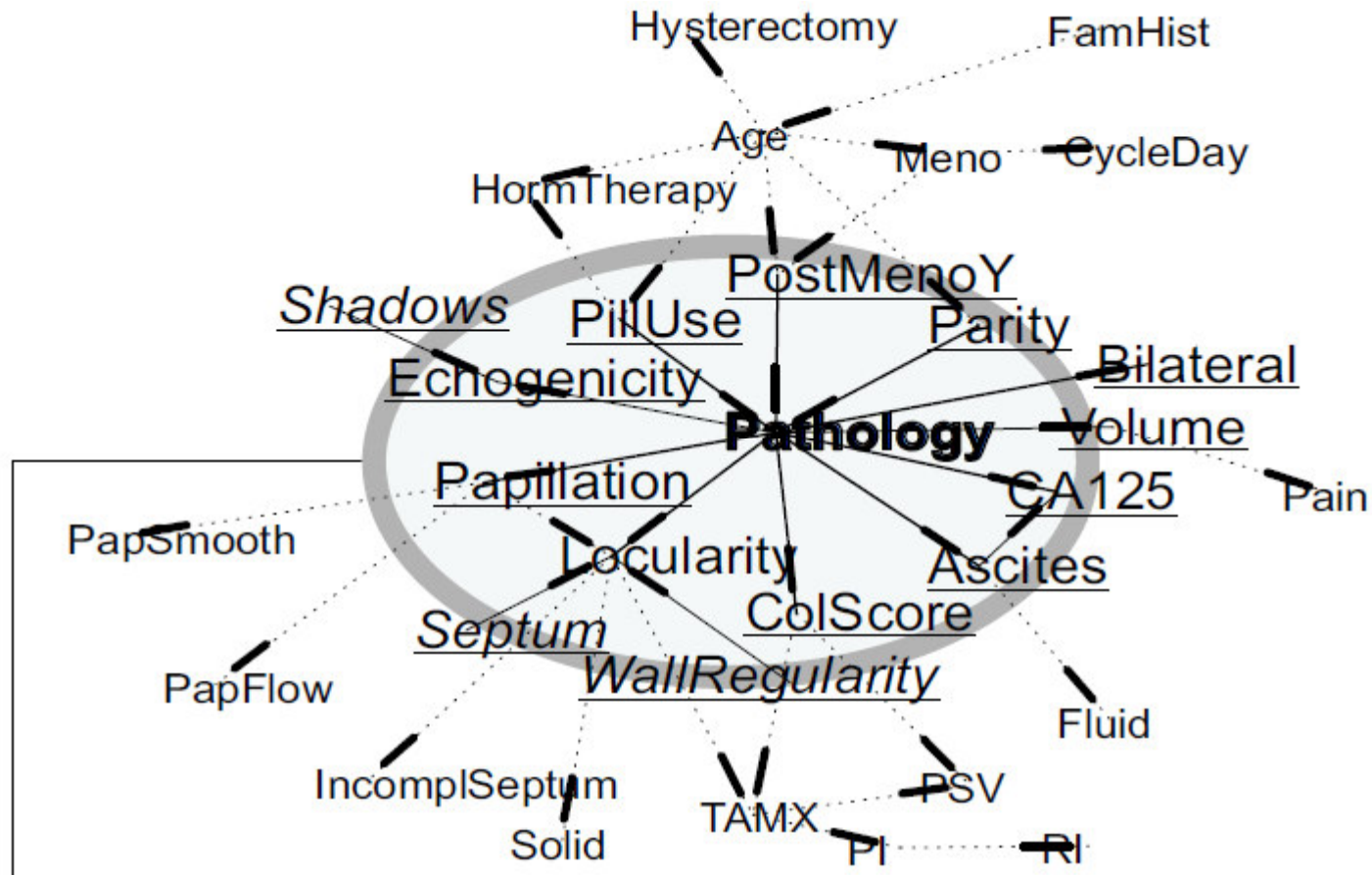


Markov Blanket Sets (MBS) the set of nodes which probabilistically isolate the target from the rest of the model

Markov Blanket Membership (MBM)

(symmetric) pairwise relationship induced by MBS

The Markov Blanket in preoperative diagnosis of Ovarian cancer



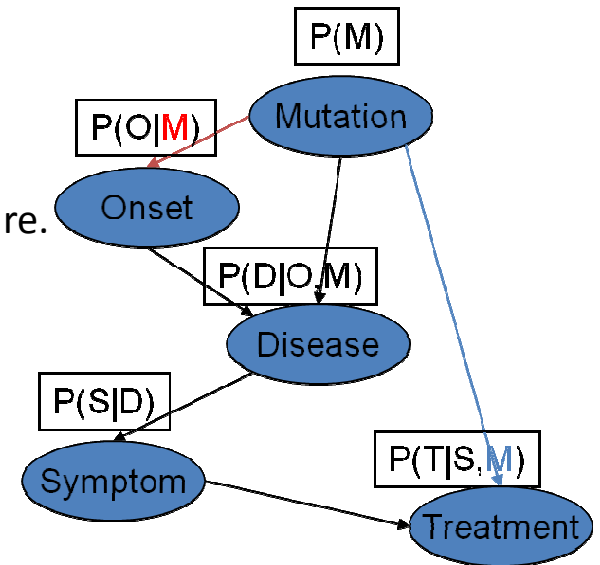
A minimal, but sufficient set for prediction/diagnosis

Inference in Bayesian networks

- (Passive, observational) inference
 - $P(\text{Query} | \text{Observations})$
- Interventionist inference
 - $P(\text{Query} | \text{Observations}, \text{Interventions})$
- Counterfactual inference
 - $P(\text{Query} | \text{Observations}, \text{Counterfactual conditionals})$
- Biomedical applications
 - Prevention
 - Screening
 - Diagnosis
 - Therapy selection
 - Therapy modification

Bayesian network homework

- Using BayesEye
- Select a domain, select candidate variables (3-5), and sketch a structure.
- Finalize your variables, enter them (save/version the model).
- Specify a structure.
- Quantify it with probabilities.
- Test with global inference queries.
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- Do not use variables with more value than 5 (binary variables should be enough).
- Do not use more the 3 parents (tables will be too large).
- Do not use aggregate, semantic variables (causal and not semantic relations are better).
- Prefer causal ordering (easier estimation of conditionals).
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- Send me the model and a 2-3 page documentation about the domain, variables, and the evaluation.



Bayes-omics

- **Thomas Bayes (c. 1702 – 1761)**

- Bayesian probability

- Bayes' rule

$$p(\text{Cause} | \text{Effect}) \propto p(\text{Effect} | \text{Cause}) \times p(\text{Cause})$$

- Bayesian statistics

$$p(\text{Model} | \text{Data}) \propto p(\text{Data} | \text{Model}) p(\text{Model})$$

- **Bayesian decision**

$$a^* = \arg \max_i \sum_j U(o_j) p(o_j | a_i)$$

- Bayesian model averaging

$$p(\text{prediction} | \text{data}) =$$

$$= \sum_i p(\text{pred.} | \text{Model}_i) p(\text{Model}_i | \text{data})$$

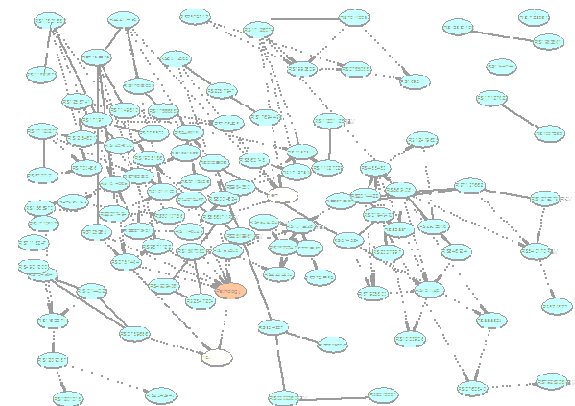
- Bayesian networks

- Bayes factor

- Bayes error

- Bayesian „communication”

- ...



Decision theory

probability theory+utility theory

- Decision situation:

- Actions
- Outcomes
- Probabilities of outcomes
- Utilities/losses of outcomes
 - QALY, micromort
- Maximum Expected Utility Principle (MEU)
 - Best action is the one with maximum expected utility

$$a_i$$

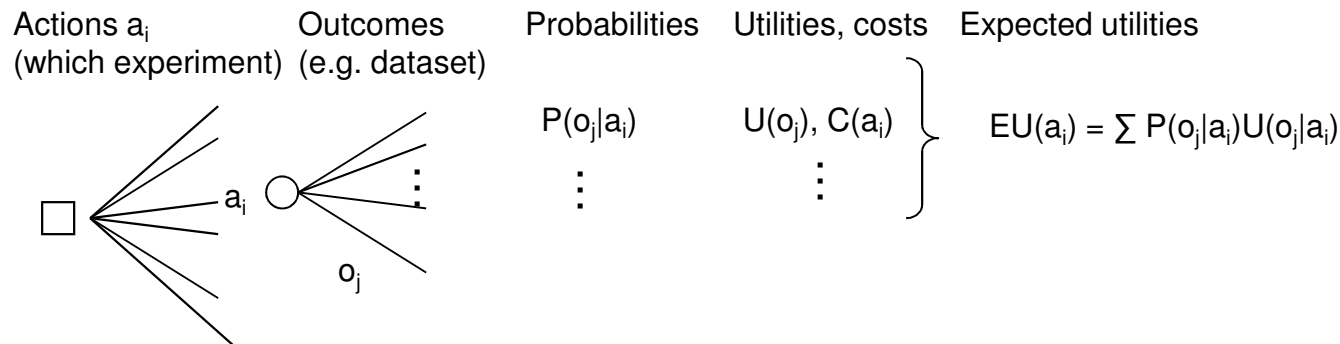
$$o_j$$

$$p(o_j | a_i)$$

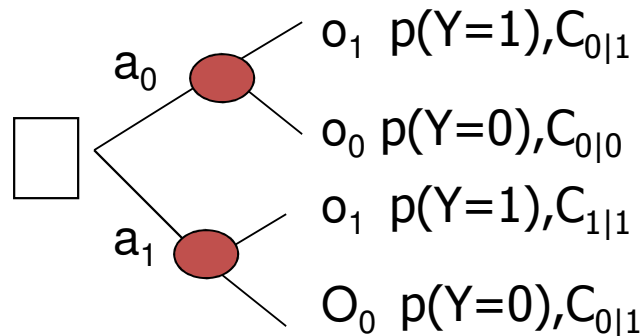
$$U(o_j | a_i)$$

$$EU(a_i) = \sum_j U(o_j | a_i) p(o_j | a_i)$$

$$a^* = \arg \max_i EU(a_i)$$



Optimal binary decision in reporting



reported	Ref.:0	Ref.1
0	$C_{0 0}$	$C_{0 1}$
1	$C_{1 0}$	$C_{1 1}$

Assuming that the reporting action does NOT influence outcome, i.e. $p(\text{Outcome}|\text{Action}) = p(\text{Outcome})$.

If the outcome y and the prediction \hat{y} are binary, the loss is defined by a binary cost matrix $C_{\hat{y}|y}$. The minimal loss decision is defined by

$$\arg \min_{\hat{y}} C_{\hat{y}|0} P(Y = 0|\mathbf{x}) + C_{\hat{y}|1} P(Y = 1|\mathbf{x}), \quad (8)$$

In case of $C_{0|0} = C_{1|1} = 0$, the prediction $\hat{y} = 1$ is optimal if

$$\tau = \frac{C_{1|0}}{C_{1|0} + C_{0|1}} \leq P(Y = 1|\mathbf{x}) \quad (9)$$

where $\tau \in [0, 1]$ is the optimal decision threshold.

Frequentist vs Bayesian decision theory

- Bayesian decision theory:
 - Probabilities of outcomes
 - Utilities of outcomes
 - Expected Utility Principle
- Classical decision theory:
 - Neyman-Pearson
 - „Hippocratic Oath”(?)

reported	Ref.:0	Ref.1
0	$C_{0 0}$	$C_{0 1}$
1	$C_{1 0}$	$C_{1 1}$

reported	Ref.:0	Ref.1
0	TN	FN
1	FP	TP

reported	Ref.0/null	Ref.:1
0		Type II
1	Type I („false rejection”)	

Utilities

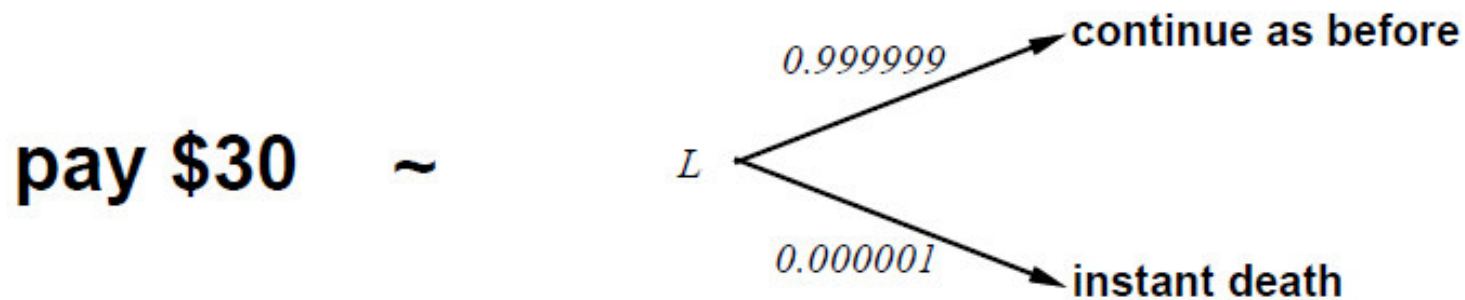
Utilities map states to real numbers. Which numbers?

Standard approach to assessment of human utilities:

compare a given state A to a standard lottery L_p that has
“best possible prize” u_{\top} with probability p

“worst possible catastrophe” u_{\perp} with probability $(1 - p)$

adjust lottery probability p until $A \sim L_p$



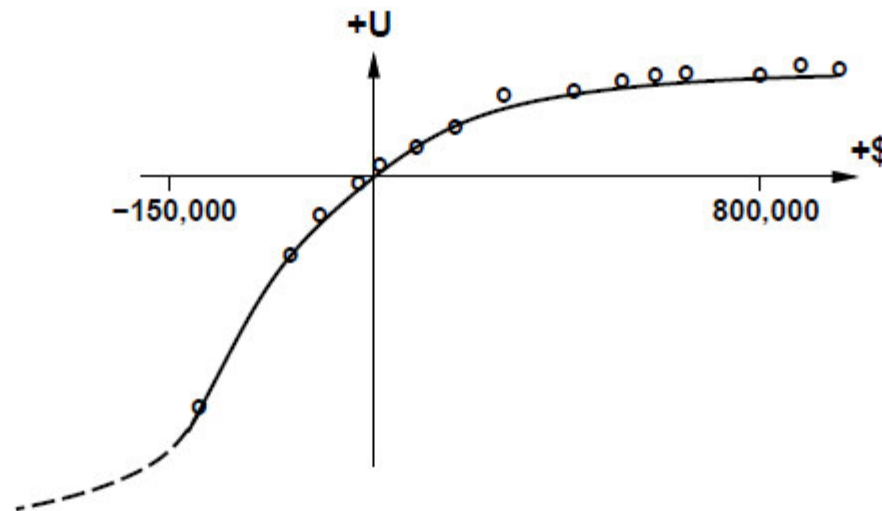
Utility of money

Money does **not** behave as a utility function

Given a lottery L with expected monetary value $EMV(L)$, usually $U(L) < U(EMV(L))$, i.e., people are risk-averse

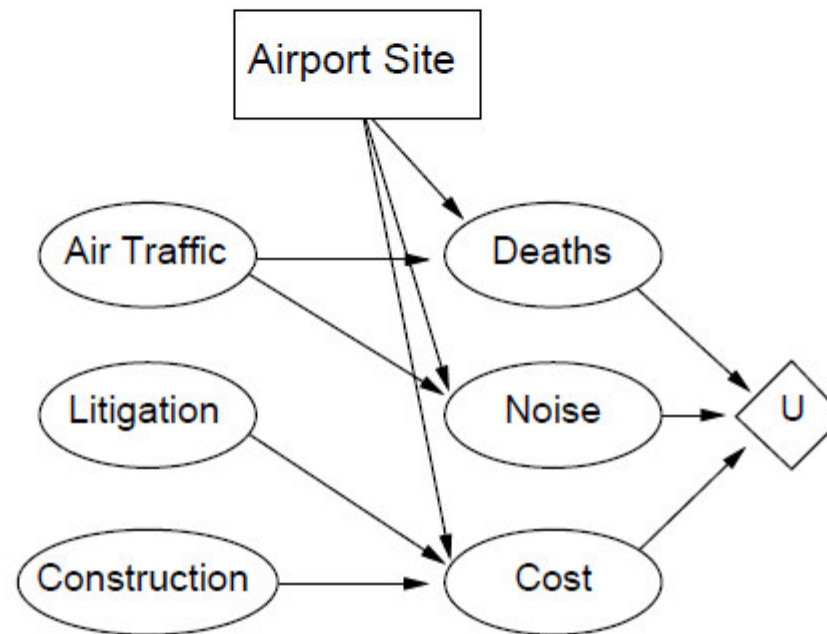
Utility curve: for what probability p am I indifferent between a prize x and a lottery $[p, \$M; (1 - p), \$0]$ for large M ?

Typical empirical data, extrapolated with risk-prone behavior:



Decision networks

Add **action nodes** and **utility nodes** to belief networks to enable rational decision making



Algorithm:

- For each value of action node

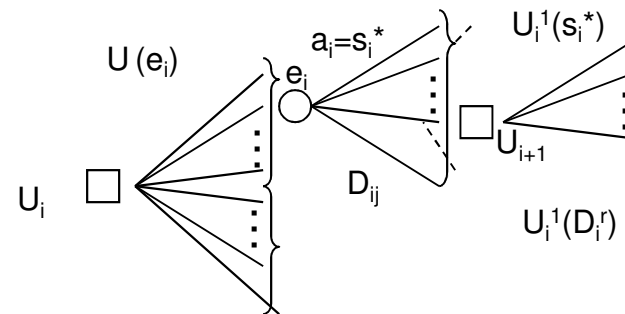
 - compute expected value of utility node given action, evidence

- Return MEU action

Russel&Norvig: Artificial intelligence, ch.16

Extensions

- Bayesian learning
 - Predictive inference
 - Parametric inference
- Value of further information
- Sequential decisions
 - Optimal stopping (secretary problem)
 - Multiarmed bandit problem
 - Markov decision problem
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Sensitivity of the inference

Variables:

Fixed

Meno	Post[3.;	Fix
ColScore	moderate	
Volume	50-400[5	

Free

Ascites		Free
PapSmooth		
PillUse		
Bilateral		

Analyzed

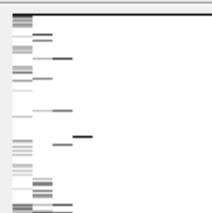
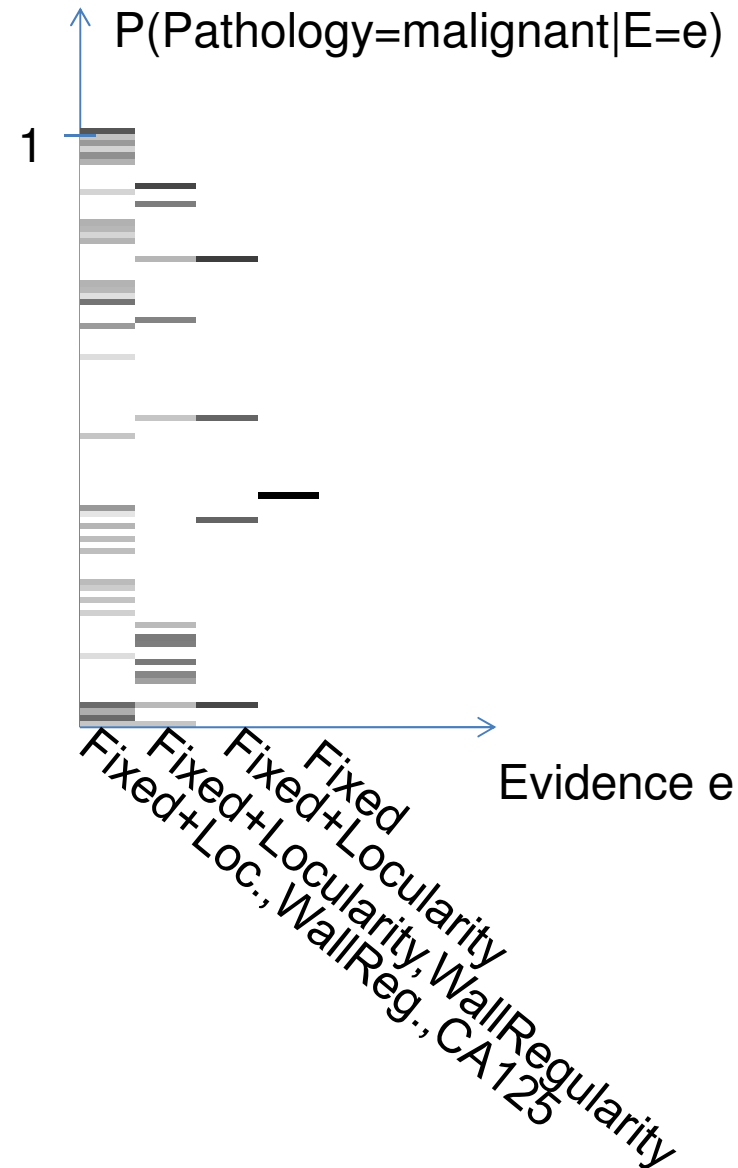
Locularity	-	Analyzed
WallRegularity	-	^Order^
CA125	-	NoValue

Target

Pathology	Malignan	Target
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Values:

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35-65[35.;65.)
65<=[65.;1.e+006)

Value of (perfect) information: Vo(P)I

Current evidence E , current best action α

Possible action outcomes S_i , potential new evidence E_j

$$EU(\alpha|E) = \max_a \sum_i U(S_i) P(S_i|E, a)$$

Suppose we knew $E_j = e_{jk}$, then we would choose $\alpha_{e_{jk}}$ s.t.

$$EU(\alpha_{e_{jk}}|E, E_j = e_{jk}) = \max_a \sum_i U(S_i) P(S_i|E, a, E_j = e_{jk})$$

E_j is a random variable whose value is *currently* unknown

\Rightarrow must compute expected gain over all possible values:

$$VPI_E(E_j) = \left(\sum_k P(E_j = e_{jk}|E) EU(\alpha_{e_{jk}}|E, E_j = e_{jk}) \right) - EU(\alpha|E)$$

(VPI = value of perfect information)

Properties of VoPI

Nonnegative—in **expectation**, not **post hoc**

$$\forall j, E \quad VPI_E(E_j) \geq 0$$

Nonadditive—consider, e.g., obtaining E_j twice

$$VPI_E(E_j, E_k) \neq VPI_E(E_j) + VPI_E(E_k)$$

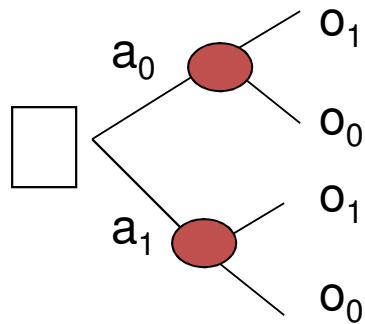
Order-independent

$$VPI_E(E_j, E_k) = VPI_E(E_j) + VPI_{E, E_j}(E_k) = VPI_E(E_k) + VPI_{E, E_k}(E_j)$$

Note: when more than one piece of evidence can be gathered, maximizing VPI for each to select one is not always optimal

⇒ evidence-gathering becomes a **sequential** decision problem

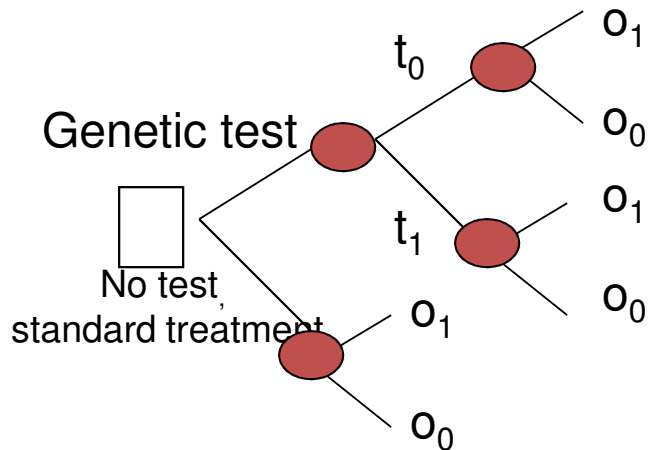
Example: preoperative diagnosis (evidence-based medicine)



reported	Ref.:0	Ref.1
0	$C_{0 0}$	$C_{0 1}$
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- Assume
 - Correct decision has no penalty: $C_{0|0}=C_{1|1}=0$
 - FalsePositive decision causes a modest loss: $C_{1|0}=10000\$$
 - FalseNegative decision causes a heavy loss: $C_{0|1}=90000\$$
- If our belief is $p(Y=1 | X=x)=p$, then
 - Expected loss of decision 0 is $pC_{0|1}$
 - Expected loss of decision 1 is $(1-p) C_{1|0}$
 - ➔ Decision 1 is optimal if its loss is smaller: $pC_{0|1} > (1-p) C_{1|0}$
then $p > C_{1|0}/(C_{0|1}+C_{1|0})$, i.e. if $p > 0.1$

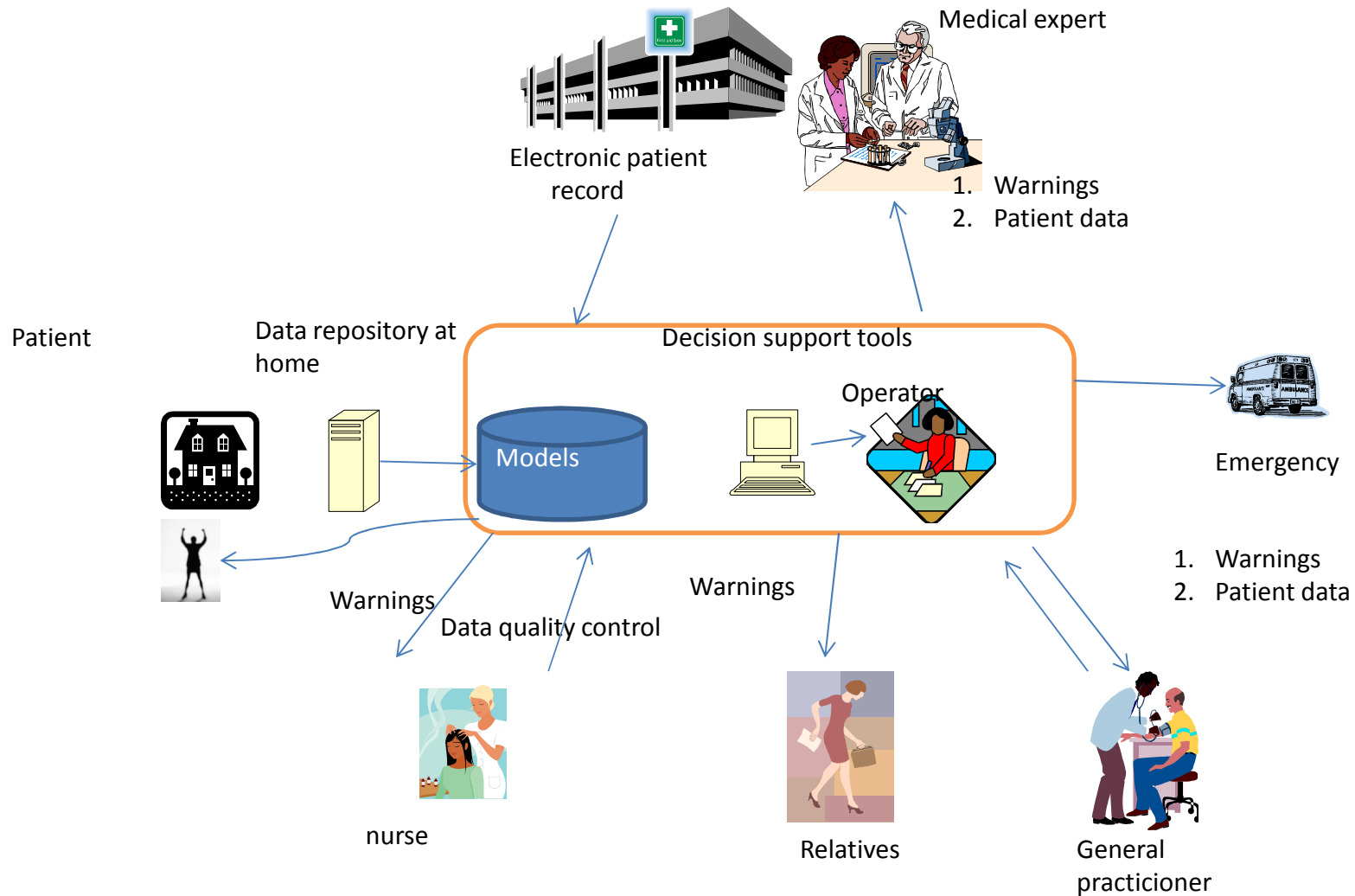
Example: personalized treatment



reported	Ref.:0	Ref.1
0	0	$C_{0 1}$
1	$C_{1 0}$	0

- Assume that genetic test t
 - has cost C_t
 - two outcomes t_0, t_1 with probability $p(t_1)=q$
 - can be used in treatment selection $p(Y=1 | X=x, t_i)=p_i$
 - The value of the test is: $EL - ((1-q)EL_0 + qEL_1)$
 - Expected loss without the test is: $EL = \min(pC_{0|1}, (1-p)C_{1|0})$
 - Expected loss with the test is $(1-q)EL_0 + qEL_1$
 - $t_0: EL_0 = \min(p_0C_{0|1}, (1-p_0)C_{1|0})$
 - $t_1: EL_1 = \min(p_1C_{0|1}, (1-p_1)C_{1|0})$
- If $EL_0 \approx EL$, then $(1-q)EL_0 + qEL_1 - EL \approx q(EL_1 - EL)$, e.g. $q(p-p_1)C_{0|1}$

Example: home-care



Risk models

- Multivariate methods

- Linear models $Y = \sum_{i=0}^n \beta_i I_j x_i$

- Logistic regression, decision trees, kernel methods, ..

Logistic regression (LR): $P(y|\underline{x}) = \sigma[\sum_{i=0}^n (\beta_i x_i + \sum_{j=1}^n (\beta_{i,j} x_i x_j + \dots))]$,

Multilayer perceptron (MLPs): $f(\underline{x}, \underline{\omega}) = \sigma[\sum_{i=1}^L (\omega_i \tanh[\sum_{j=1}^{|\underline{X}|} (\omega_{ij} x_j + \omega_{i0})])]$,

Naive Bayesian networks (N-BNs): $p(y, x_1, \dots, x_n | \underline{\theta}) = p(y) \prod_{i=1}^n p(x_i | y)$,

Bayesian networks (BNs): $p(x_1, \dots, x_n | \underline{\theta}, G) = \prod_{i=1}^n p(x_i | \text{pa}(X_i, G))$.

Logistic regression

Recall: NaiveBN!

Assume binary outcomes y, \bar{y} and predictors x_i, \bar{x}_i . Logistic regression without interactions can be defined by the odds ratios for the predictors $x_i, i = 1, \dots, n$ and the bias Ψ_0 ($x_0 \triangleq 1$):

$$\Psi_i = \frac{P(y|x_i)P(\bar{y}|\bar{x}_i)}{P(\bar{y}|x_i)P(y|\bar{x}_i)} \triangleq \exp^{\beta_i}, \Psi_0 = \prod_{i=0}^n \frac{P(y|\bar{x}_i)}{P(\bar{y}|\bar{x}_i)} \triangleq \exp^{\beta_0}.$$

The odds $P(y|\mathbf{x})/P(\bar{y}|\mathbf{x})$ for a given \mathbf{x} is defined as

$$P(y|\mathbf{x})/P(\bar{y}|\mathbf{x}) = \prod_{i=0}^n \Psi_i^{x_i} \quad (18)$$

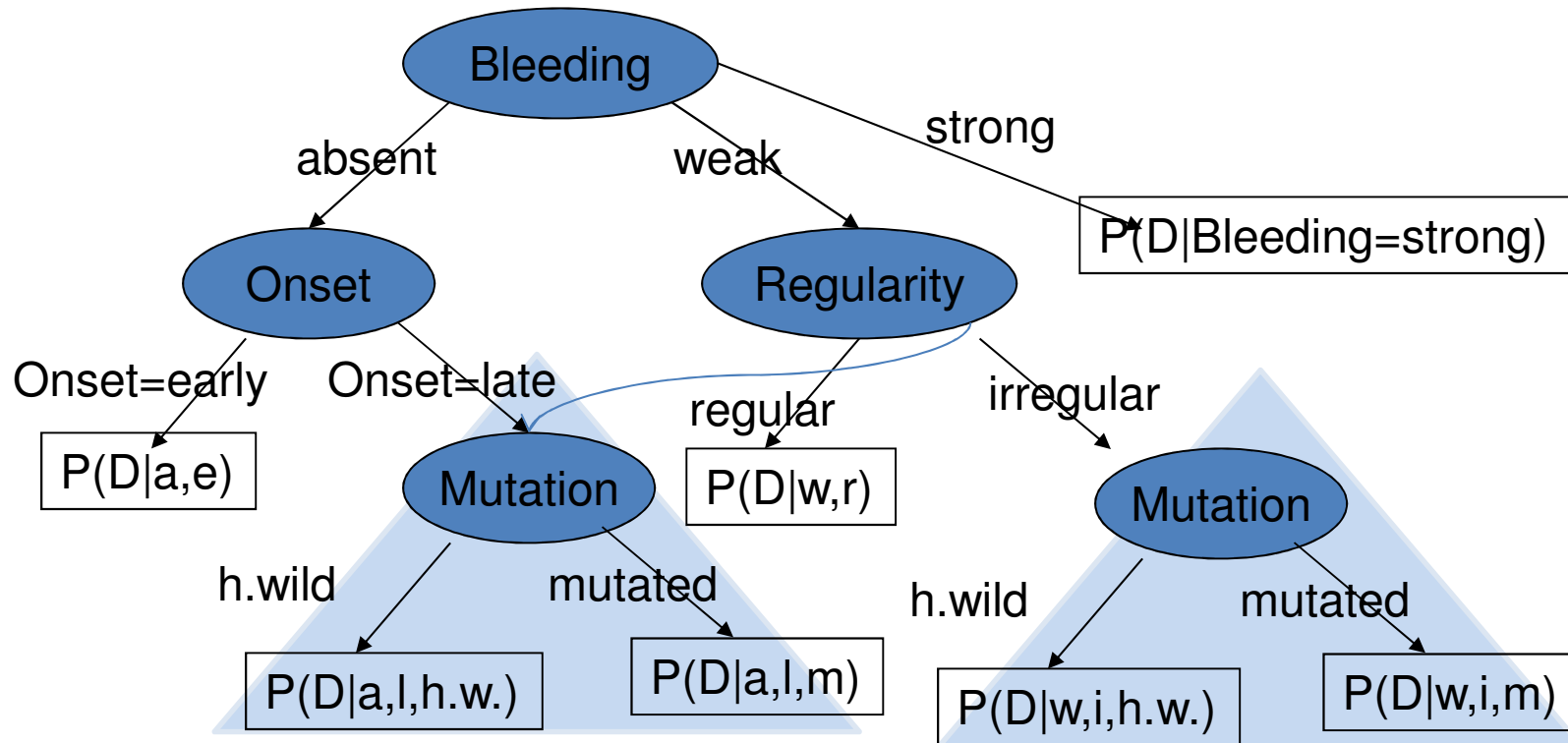
$$\log(P(y|\mathbf{x})/P(\bar{y}|\mathbf{x})) = \sum_{i=0}^n \beta_i x_i \quad (19)$$

$$P(y|\mathbf{x}) = \sigma\left(\sum_{i=0}^n \beta_i x_i\right), \quad (20)$$

where $\sigma(\cdot)$ is the logistic sigmoid function $\sigma(x) = 1/(1 + e^{-x})$.

$$P(y|\mathbf{x}) = \sigma\left[\sum_{i=0}^n (\beta_i x_i + \sum_{j=1}^n (\beta_{i,j} x_i x_j + \sum_{k=1}^n (\beta_{i,j,k} x_i x_j x_k + \dots)))\right],$$

Decision trees, decision graphs



Decision tree: Each internal node represent a (univariate) test, the leafs contains the conditional probabilities given the values along the path.

Decision graph: If conditions are equivalent, then subtrees can be merged.

E.g. If (Bleeding=absent,Onset=late) ~ (Bleeding=weak,Regularity=irreg)

Characterizing a decision function

Goal: selection of a decision function $g : R^d \rightarrow \{0, 1\}$.

Sensitivity: $p(\text{Prediction}=\text{TRUE}|\text{Ref}=\text{TRUE})$

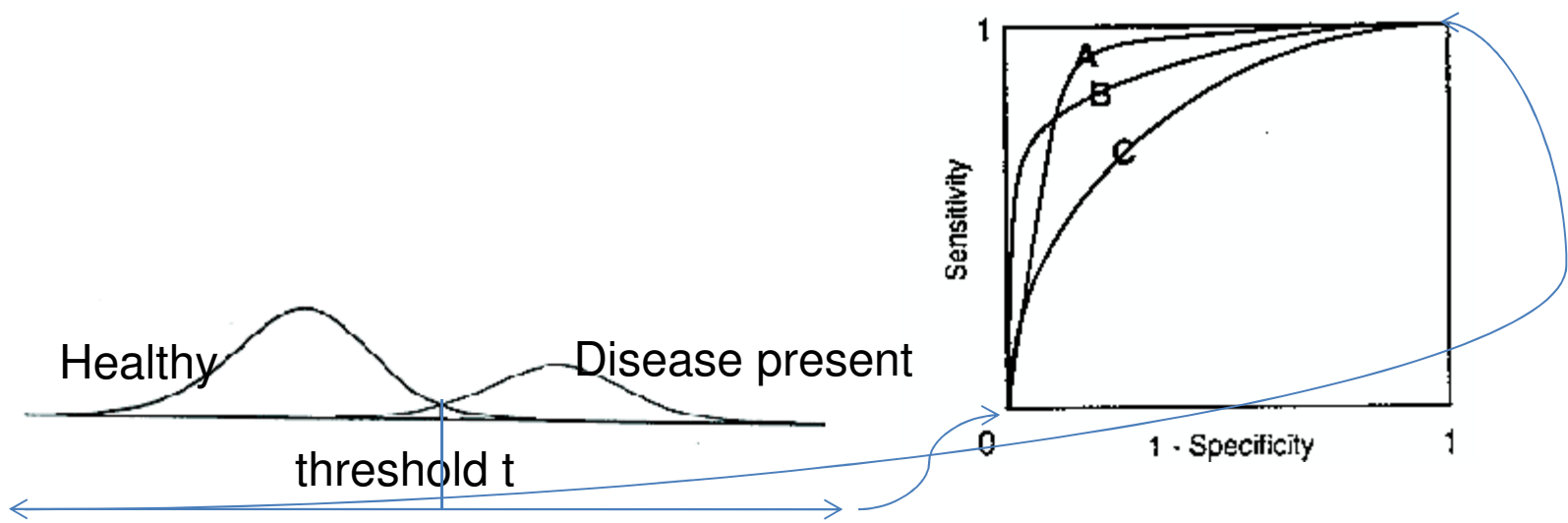
Specificity: $p(\text{Prediction}=\text{FALSE}|\text{Ref}=\text{FALSE})$

PPV: $p(\text{Ref}=\text{TRUE}|\text{Prediction}=\text{TRUE})$

NPV: $p(\text{Ref}=\text{FALSE}|\text{Prediction}=\text{FALSE})$

} independent from $p(\text{Ref})$,
e.g. from disease prevalence!

If decision function g is defined by a scalar function $f(x) : R^d \rightarrow R$ and threshold t that $f(x) : 0$, if $g(x) < t$, 1 otherwise, then we can compute the Area Under the Receiver Operating Characteristics Curve (ROC,AUC). AUC is the probability that two random samples from class 0 and 1 is correctly classified.



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 - Measuring the quality of a decision function