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Lecture 3: Bayesian Meta-Interpretive Learning

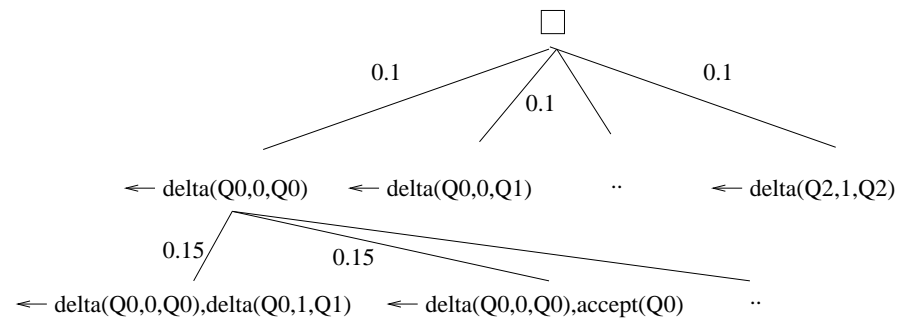
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## Paper for this lecture

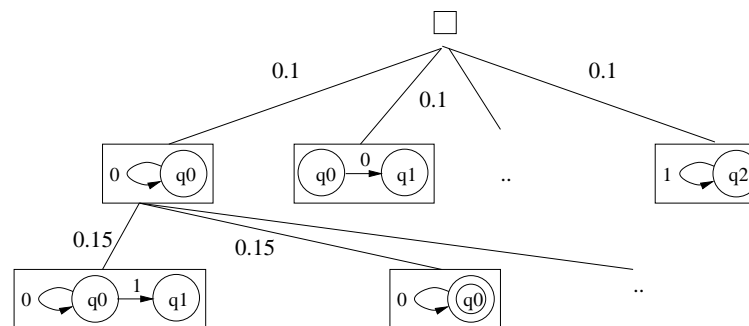
**Paper3:** S.H. Muggleton, D. Lin, J. Chen, and A. Tamaddoni-Nezhad. Metabayes: Bayesian meta-interpretative learning using higher-order stochastic refinement. In Gerson Zaverucha, Vitor Santos Costa, and Aline Marins Paes, editors, Proceedings of the 23rd International Conference on Inductive Logic Programming (ILP 2013), pages 1-17, Berlin, 2014. Springer-Verlag. LNAI 8812.

## Stochastic refinement tree

**Clauses**



**Finite  
State  
Acceptors  
(FSAs)**



## MetaBayes Refinement framework

<b>Setting</b>	$B, \neg E \models \neg H$
<b>Meta-rule</b>	$\exists \mathcal{S} \forall T P(s_1, \dots, s_m) \leftarrow \dots, Q_i(t_1, \dots, t_n), \dots$
<b>Stochastic refinement</b>	$\sigma^*(C) = \{ \langle D_i, p_i \rangle \mid D_i \in \rho^*(C), p_i \in [0, 1] \text{ and } \sum p_i = 1 \text{ for } 1 \leq i \leq  \rho^*(C)  \}.$
<b>Prior</b>	$Pr(H B) = \sum_{\langle H, p \rangle \in \sigma^*(\neg B)} p$ and $Pr(H) = Pr(H \emptyset)$
<b>Likelihood</b>	$Pr(E B, H) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } B, H \models E \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}.$
<b>Posterior</b>	$Pr(H B, E) = \frac{Pr(H B)Pr(E B, H)}{c}$

## Generalised Meta-interpreter

```
prove([],Prog,Prog).
prove([Atom|As],Prog1,Prog2) :-
    metarule(RuleName,HO_Sub,(Atom :- Body),OrderTest),
    OrderTest,
    abduce(metasub(RuleName,HO_Sub),Prog1,Prog3),
    prove(Body,Prog3,Prog4),
    prove(As,Prog4,Prog2).
```

## Meta-rules

FSA

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metarule(acceptor ,[Q],([Q,[],[]] :- []), (nonterm(Q))).  
metarule(delta ,[P,C,Q],([P,[C|X],Y] :- [[Q,X,Y]]),  
    (nonterm(Q),nonterm(P))).
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Dyadic

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metarule(instance ,[P,X,Y],([P,X,Y] :- []),(pred(P))).  
metarule(base ,[P,Q],([P,X,Y] :- [[Q,X,Y]]),  
    (pred_above(P,Q), obj_above(X,Y))).  
metarule(tailrec ,[P,Q],([P,X,Y] :- [[Q,X,Z], [P,Z,Y]]),  
    (pred_above(P,Q), obj_above(X,Z), obj_above(Z,Y))).  
metarule(chain ,[P,Q,R],([P,X,Y] :- [[Q,X,Z], [R,Z,Y]]),  
    (obj_above(X,Z), obj_above(Z,Y))).
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## Implementation

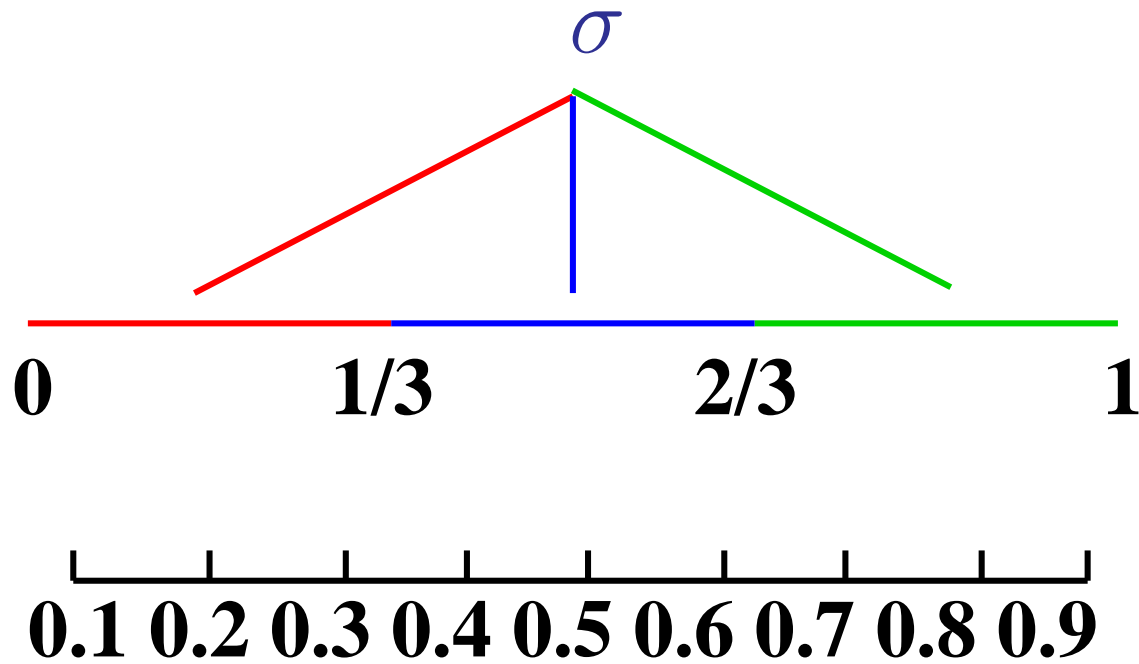
Three variants of generalised meta-interpreter with uniform distribution stochastic refinement of meta-rules.

**MetaBayes**<sub>SR</sub> Model averaging prediction based on sampling hypotheses **with** replacement.

**MetaBayes**<sub>RS</sub> Model averaging prediction based on sampling hypotheses **without** replacement.

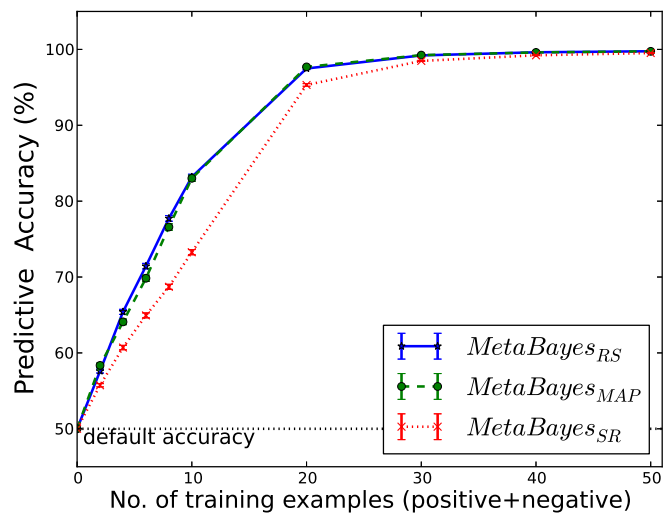
**MetaBayes**<sub>MAP</sub> Prediction based on leftmost maximum posterior hypothesis.

## Without replacement - Cumulative frequencies

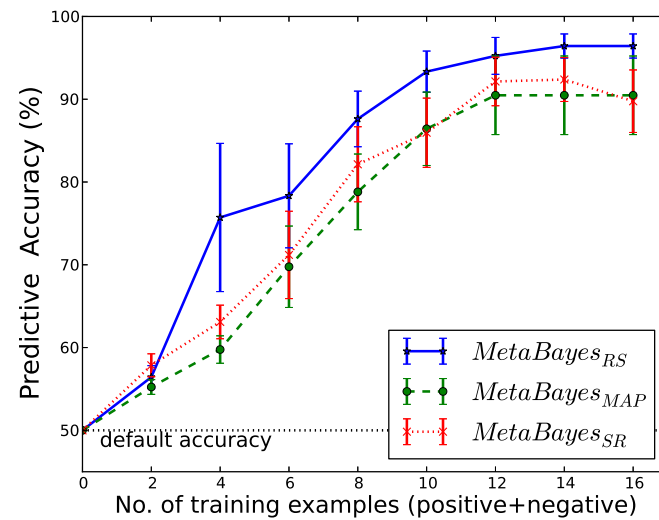




## Experiments



Regular



Family

## Related work

**Bayes's prediction optimal** Bernardo & Smith (1994), Buntine (1990)

**Error bounds** Haussler, Kearns, Shapire (1994)

**Ensemble methods** Freund & Shapire (1997), Zhu and Zou (2009)

**SRL and PILP** Getoor (2005) and De Raedt et al (2008)

## Summary and limitations

- Bayesian prior implemented as meta-interpreter over higher-order SLP
- Sampling allows approximation of Bayes' predictor
- Outperforms MAP
- Speed/accuracy tradeoff
- Noise and active learning further work