

Psych 156A/ Ling 150: Acquisition of Language II

6/7/2012
Final Exam Review

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Final Exam: 6/14/2012
1:30 – 3:30pm

HH178 (this room) OR SBSG G241

We will be holding office hours next week at our normal times

Part of Speech Learning

Two ideas:

Semantic Bootstrapping Hypothesis

PoS matches (roughly) real world semantics

nouns → objects, states

verbs → actions

adjectives → properties

But only roughly...

a kick (verb-like, but a noun)

function words (a, the, of, but...)

Part of Speech Learning

Another idea:

Frequent Frames

the ____ is

you ____ it

a ____ is

they ____ her

that ____ was

can ____ him

Proposed in Mintz (2003), simulated in Wang & Mintz (2008)

Language Structure

Phrases

Grammaticality judgments

Ambiguous/Unambiguous data

Principles & Parameters

Testing Hypotheses

1, 3, 2, 6, 4, 3

Bayesian Learning

D = 1, 3, 2, 6, 4, 3

$$P(A|D) = P(D|A) P(A) / P(D)$$

Bayesian Learning

D = 1, 3, 2, 6, 4, 3

$$\begin{aligned}
 P(D|A) &= P(1|A) * P(3|A) * P(2|A) * P(6|A) * P(4|A) * P(3|A) \\
 &= \frac{1}{4} * \frac{1}{4} * \frac{1}{4} * 0 * \frac{1}{4} * \frac{1}{4} \\
 &= 0
 \end{aligned}$$

Bayesian Learning

D = 1, 3, 2, 6, 4, 3

$$\begin{aligned}
 P(D|B) &= P(1|B) * P(3|B) * P(2|B) * P(6|B) * P(4|B) * P(3|B) \\
 &= 1/6 * 1/6 * 1/6 * 1/6 * 1/6 * 1/6 * 1/6 \\
 &= 1/(6^5) = 1/7776 = .0001286
 \end{aligned}$$

Bayesian Learning

D = 1, 3, 2, 6, 4, 3

$$\begin{aligned}
 P(D|C) &= P(1|C) * P(3|C) * P(2|C) * P(6|C) * P(4|C) * P(3|C) \\
 &= 1/10 * 1/10 * 1/10 * 1/10 * 1/10 * 1/10 * 1/10 \\
 &= 1/(10^5) = 1/100000 = .00001
 \end{aligned}$$

Bayesian Learning

D = 1, 3, 2, 6, 4, 3

$$\begin{aligned}
 P(D|A) &= 0 & P(D|B) &= .0001286 & P(D|C) &= .00001 \\
 P(A) &= 1/3 & P(B) &= 1/3 & P(C) &= 1/3
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 P(D) &= 0 * 1/3 + .0001286 * 1/3 + .00001 * 1/3 \\
 &= .0000462
 \end{aligned}$$

Bayesian Learning

D = 1, 3, 2, 6, 4, 3

$$\begin{aligned}
 P(D|A) &= 0 & P(D|B) &= .0001286 & P(D|C) &= .00001 \\
 P(A) &= 1/3 & P(B) &= 1/3 & P(C) &= 1/3 \\
 P(D) &= .0000462
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 P(A|D) &= 0 * 1/3 / .0000462 = 0
 \end{aligned}$$

Bayesian Learning

D = 1, 3, 2, 6, 4, 3

$P(D|A) = 0$ $P(D|B) = .0001286$ $P(D|C) = .00001$
 $P(A) = 1/3$ $P(B) = 1/3$ $P(C) = 1/3$
 $P(D) = .0000462$

$P(B|D) = .0001286 * 1/3 / .0000462 = .9278$

Bayesian Learning

D = 1, 3, 2, 6, 4, 3

$P(D|A) = 0$ $P(D|B) = .0001286$ $P(D|C) = .00001$
 $P(A) = 1/3$ $P(B) = 1/3$ $P(C) = 1/3$
 $P(D) = .0000462$

$P(B|D) = .0001286 * 1/3 / .0000462 = .9278$
 $P(C|D) = .00001 * 1/3 / .0000462 = .07215$

Bayesian Learning

D = 7
But... you already saw 2

Calculate $P(H|2)$ for each hypothesis
 $P(A|2) = 15/31$ $P(B|2) = 10/31$ $P(C|2) = 6/31$

Use these posteriors as the new prior for the new datapoint

Bayesian Learning

D = 7
But... you already saw 2

$P(A|2) = P(2|A) * P(A) / P(D)$
 $= (1/4 * 1/3) / (31/180) = 15/31$
 $P(B|2) = P(2|B) * P(B) / P(D)$
 $= (1/6 * 1/3) / (31/180) = 10/31$
 $P(C|2) = P(2|C) * P(C) / P(D)$
 $= (1/10 * 1/3) / (31/180) = 6/31$
 $P(D) = (1/4 * 1/3) + (1/6 * 1/3) + (1/10 * 1/3) = 31/180$

Bayesian Learning

D = 7
But... you already saw 2

$P(A|2) = 15/31$ $P(B|2) = 10/31$ $P(C|2) = 6/31$

$P(A|7,2) = P(7|A) * P(A|2) / P(D)$
 $= 0 * 15/31 / P(D)$
 $= 0$

Bayesian Learning

D = 7
But... you already saw 2

$P(A|2) = 15/31$ $P(B|2) = 10/31$ $P(C|2) = 6/31$

$P(B|7,2) = P(7|B) * P(B|2) / P(D)$
 $= 0 * 10/31 / P(D)$
 $= 0$

Bayesian Learning

D = 7
But... you already saw 2

$P(A|2) = 15/31$ $P(B|2) = 10/31$ $P(C|2) = 6/31$

$P(C|7,2) = P(7|C) * P(C|2) / P(D)$
 $= 1/10 * 6/31 / P(D)$
 $= 1/10 * 6/31 / (1/10 * 6/31 + 0 + 0)$
 $= 1$

Parameters

Review Questions: Structure
Question #10:
Suppose we have a parameter Q, we don't know what structures match that parameter though. We think maybe A, B, C & D connect to Q, but aren't sure. Q can only take two values, x1 and x2

a) A, B, and C tend to show x1 while D shows z1, which structures are connected to parameter Q?

Parameters

Review Questions: Structure

Question #10:

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b) If Q really does have value x1 which structures (A,B,C,D) are likely to also have value x1?

Parameters

Review Questions: Structure

Question #10:

Suppose we have a parameter Q, we don't know what structures match that parameter though. We think maybe A, B, C & D connect to Q, but aren't sure. Q can only take two values, x1 and x2

c) Children rarely see structure C, but often see A, B and D. If A & B show x1, and D shows x2, given your answer to (b) what value should the infant suppose for structure C?

Experiments

Dewar & Xu (2010)

Examine overhypotheses (abstract generalizations based on limited data with apparent regularities)

Gerken (2006)

How do children generalize?

Children don't generalize from AAdi stimuli to AAB

Pearl & Mis (2011)

Baker (1978) assumes only unambiguous data is informative

Can learn anaphoric one using all ambiguous data if we include data from other pronouns too!

Experiments

Thompson & Newport (2007)

Adults can learn phrases using transitional probability (TP)

Hudson, Kam & Newport (2005)

Adults match inconsistent input with inconsistent output

Children generalize to the most frequent input type

Hudson, Kam & Newport (2009)

Adults will generalize if one input is dominant

But children in this case generalize one determiner and use it almost always

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Midterm Review

Marr's 3 Levels

Any problem can be decomposed into 3 levels:

Computational level

What's the problem to be solved?

Algorithmic level

What (abstract) set of rules solves the problem?

Implementational level

How are those rules physically implemented?

Computational Level

Abstract Problem:

How do we regulate traffic at an intersection?

Goal:

Direct lanes of traffic to avoid congestion/accidents



Algorithmic Level

What kind of rules can we use?

Let Lane go whenever X cars are waiting?

Let Lane go every X minutes?

Let 1 car at a time go through the intersection?

Make one direction always yield to the other?

Implementational Level

How do we physically implement the rule?

- Set up a stop light
- Set up a blinking stop light
- Put up a stop sign
- Have someone direct traffic
- Put up nothing and have drivers implement the rules themselves!

Transitional Probability

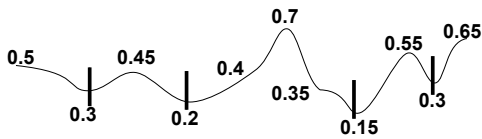
$TP(AB) = P(AB|A) = \# \text{ of times you saw } AB / \# \text{ of times you saw } A$

- ka/ko/si
- ko/li/ja
- ja/ko
- li/je/vo

$TP(ko/si) = \# \text{ of times } ko/si / \# \text{ of times } ko$

$TP(ja/vo) = \# \text{ of times } ja/vo / \# \text{ of times } ja$

TP Minima



TP can be thought of like a tide

Every time the TP is at "low tide" we put a boundary

Precision & Recall

I wonder how well I can segment this sentence today

Iwonder how well Ican seg ment this sen tencetoday

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Precision:

of correct / # guessed

3 correct / 9 guessed

Precision & Recall

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Recall:

of correct / # true words

3 correct / 10 true

Stress-based Segmentation

how **WELL** can a **STRESS** based **LEARNER SEG**ment **THIS**?

If we assume Stress-INITIAL syllables:

How **WELL** can a **STRESS** based **LEARNER SEG**ment **THIS**?

Precision = 3/6

Recall = 3/9

Stress-based Segmentation

how **WELL** can a **STRESS** based **LEARNER SEG**ment **THIS**?

If we assume Stress-FINAL syllables:

How **WELL** can a **STRESS** based **LEARNER SEG**ment **THIS**?

Precision = 0/5

Recall = 0/9

Bayesian Learning

All (statistical) learning is a form of **INFERENCE**

We have data...

But which hypothesis is true?

$P(H|D)$?

$$P(H | D) = P(D | H) * P(H) / P(D)$$

posterior likelihood prior prob. of data

Cross-Situational Learning

Use information across trials to identify a word/meaning mapping

Scene 1: "dugme" "lutka" "prozor"
 Object 1 Object 2 Object 3

Scene 2: "lutka" "zid" "prozor"
 Object 1 Object 3 Object 4

Cross-Situational Learning

Scene 1: "dugme" "lutka" "prozor"
 Object 1 Object 2 Object 3

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 Object 1 Object 3 Object 4

$$P(H|D) = P(D|H) * P(H) / P(D)$$

Posterior = likelihood * prior / prob. of data

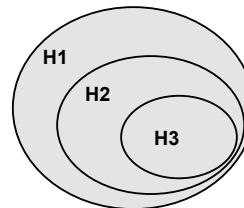
$P(\text{lutka} == 1) = 1/4$ Prior (let's call this H1)

$P(D | H1) = 1$ Likelihood

$$P(D) = P(H1)*P(D|H1) + P(H2)*P(D|H2) + P(H3)*P(D|H3)...$$

$$P(H1 | D) = P(D | H1) * P(H1) / P(D)$$

Suspicious Coincedence



Three hypotheses:
 Superordinate: "mammal"
 Basic: "dog"
 Subordinate: "beagle"

Given a picture of a beagle:

$$P(\text{data}|H3) = 1/\# \text{ of beagles}$$

$$> P(\text{data}|H2) = 1/\# \text{ of dogs}$$

$$> P(\text{data}|H1) = 1/\# \text{ of mammals}$$

Contrastive Sounds

A pair of sounds are contrastive if:
Switching the sounds changes the **MEANING**

In English:
 "food": [f u d] ← Contrastive
 "rude": [r u d]

In German:
 "street": [s t R a s ə] ← Not contrastive
 "street": [s t r a s ə]

Learning Sounds

Maintenance & Loss Theory:
 If you use a distinction in your language
 Keep it
 If you don't use it
 Ignore the distinction

Functional Reorganization:
 Create a filter between acoustics and phonemes
 If you hear a language sound
 Impose filter to ignore non-native distinctions
 If you hear a non-language sound
 Don't impose the filter

