Wrapping up

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Two important reliable effects in education psychology

Spaced learning is better than massed learning



Cepeda et al. (2006)

Testing helps you learn



Roediger & Karpicke (2006)



The vocabulary spurt as a null hypothesis



McMurray (2007)



The key experiment in Rescorla & Wagner (1972)



Associative learning can explain some interesting phenomena



cue competition - associative and dissociative learning

no cue competition - conditional probability learning



Ramscar et al. (2010)



TEST OBJECTS

Shape

Red Wire Mesh



Texture
Color

Image: Description of the second of the second



Smith (2000)

An artificial neuron



Input neuron



Logistic regression as an iris classifier



	estimate 🔶	std.error 🔶	statistic 🔷	p.value
t)	-42.638	25.707	-1.659	.097
ngth	-2.465	2.394	-1.030	.303
dth	-6.681	4.480	-1.491	.136
gth	9.429	4.737	1.991	.047
lth	18.286	9.743	1.877	.061

How would a network solve xor?



Updating one weight

Terms:

- Squared Prediction error E
- x_5
- The activation of $x_5 = \frac{1}{1 e^{x_5}} = \sigma(x_5)$ a_{x_5}



By the chain rule



Learning semantic relations through backpropagation







Simple Recurrent Networks (Elman Networks - Elman, 1990)



CONTEXT UNITS

INPUT UNITS

A set of **context units** that are an exact copy of the hidden layer at t - 1

The hidden layer at time *t* gets input from both the **input units** and the **context units**





Syntactic structure through prediction error

Hierarchically clustering the hidden layer activations for words reveals structure!

The network learns **syntactic** and **semantic** roles

Why?



Strengths of connectionism

- 1. Each unit of the network is a simple computer, but the network as a whole can give rise to complex phenomena.
- 2. The framework is general—you don't need a separate model for every domain (sort of).
- 3. Blurs the hardware/software distinction

But what about rules? And other problems

Exp.	Mean listening time (s) (SE)		
	Consistent sentences	Inconsistent sentences	Repeated measures analysis of variance
1	6.3 (0.65)	9.0 (0.54)	F(14) = 25.7, P < 0.001
2	5.6 (0.47)	7.35 (0.68)	F(14) = 25.6, P < 0.005
3	6.4 (0.38)	8.5 (0.5)	F(14) = 40.3, P < 0.001

Marcus (1999)

For most problems where deep learning has enabled transformationally better solutions (vision, speech), we've entered diminishing returns territory in 2016-2017.

François Chollet, Google, author of Keras neural network library December 18, 2017

'Science progresses one funeral at a time.' The future depends on some graduate student who is deeply suspicious of everything I have said.

Geoff Hinton, grandfather of deep learning September 15, 2017

Marcus (2018)

But how should you form your beliefs?

In practice, we don't want to say you can have any old belief. We want to talk about the belief that a rational agent should have after observing some data

Likelihood

(What the data say)

Bayes rule: P(H|D)

Posterior probability (What you should believe)

Prior probability (What you used to believe)



An unknown computer program that generates from 1 to 100. You get some random examples from this program.



What other numbers will this program generate? 51? 58? 20?

60 80 10 30

The size principle!



Models at different levels



Colunga & Smith (2005)

Kemp et al. (2007)



For a given computational problem, there is an *optimal solution*. Whatever it is, we have evolved to approximate it.

Figure out the optimal solution, and you'll know a lot about what people do.

"The predictions flow from the statistical structure of the environment and **not** the assumed structure of the mind." (Anderson, 1991)

Evaluating peoples' predictions





The contract

Contract: King Markov must visit each island in proportion to its population size







The Metropolis Archipelago

Averaging two guess from the same person is better than their best guess



Why is asking after a longer delay better?



Bayesian associative learning

P(cause|data) ~ P(data|cause)P(cause)



Gershman & Niv(2012); Gershman (2015)



Inference (Bayes' rule)

Too much flexibility leads to overfitting (Pitt & Myung, 2002)



Machines that learn like people





Lake et al. (2017)



People should choose examples near the edges



What makes a good teacher?



Gweon et al. (2017)



Ho et al. (2017)

Pragmatic inference (Goodman & Frank, 2016)

Suppose you heard me say: "My friend has glasses"



Which one of these people is my friend?

Indirectly learning from language



Kidd et al. (2011)





People learn the meaning of gavagai from other people

Heller Heller

$P\left(H_{i+1} \mid D_{i}\right) \propto P\left(D_{i} \mid H_{i}\right) P\left(H_{i}\right)$





The world's kinship systems are near optimal!





Community effects on learning from others



partial pooling complete pooling

Centolla & Baroncelli (2015)



Hawkins et al. (2020)

Comparing LSA and Topic Models



Topic Model



Normalized cooccurrence matrix







Word2Vec geometry is surprisingly meaningful!



Mikolov et al. (2013)



Why training data matter



Caliskan & Lewis (under review)



Angwin et al. (2016)

5 Decile Score 7 8 9 10

1 2 3 4