

# INDUCTIVE LOGIC PROGRAMMING

COMP3411/9814 Artificial Intelligence

# Shape of Discriminator

- Machine Learning algorithms can be characterised by the way they divide up the attribute space.
- What is the shape of the surface that separates classes?

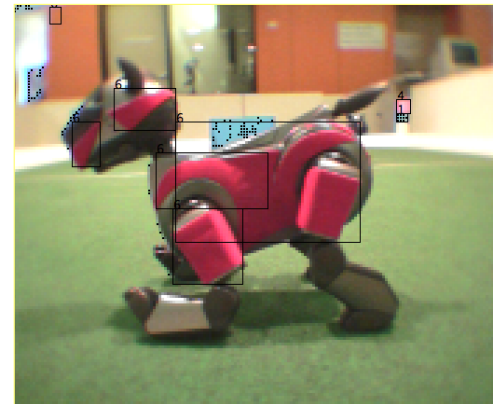
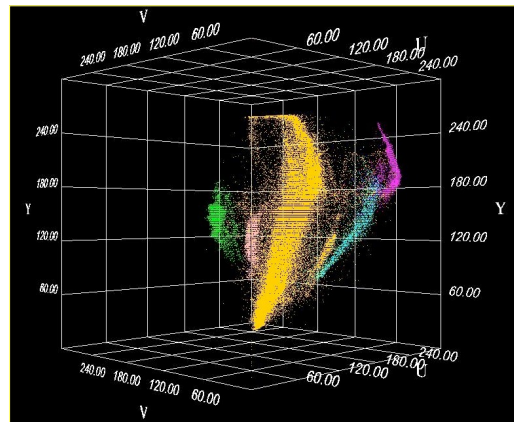
# Learning in Perception

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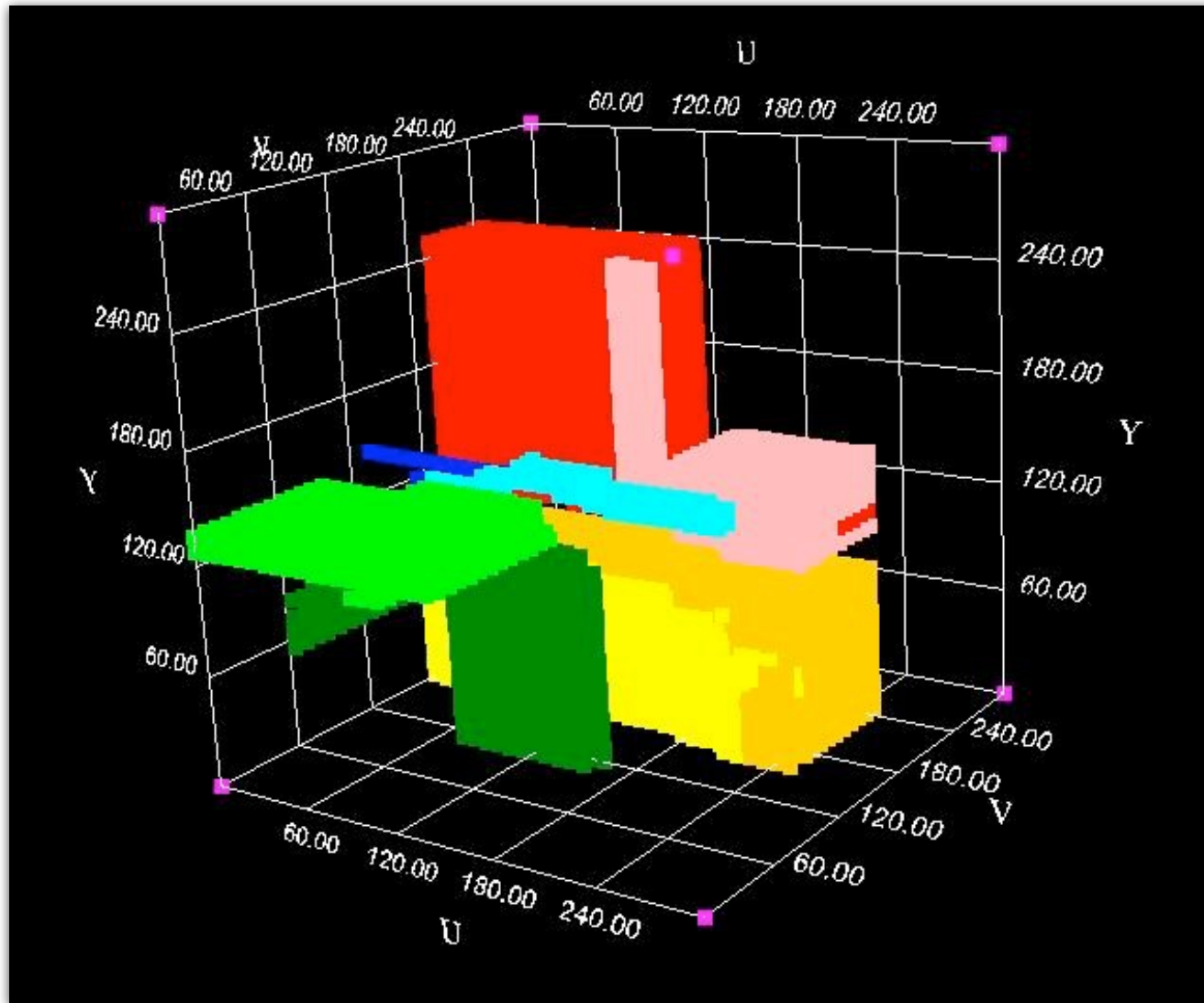
C4.5

Warning: In practice data sets and decision trees are much larger than this example!

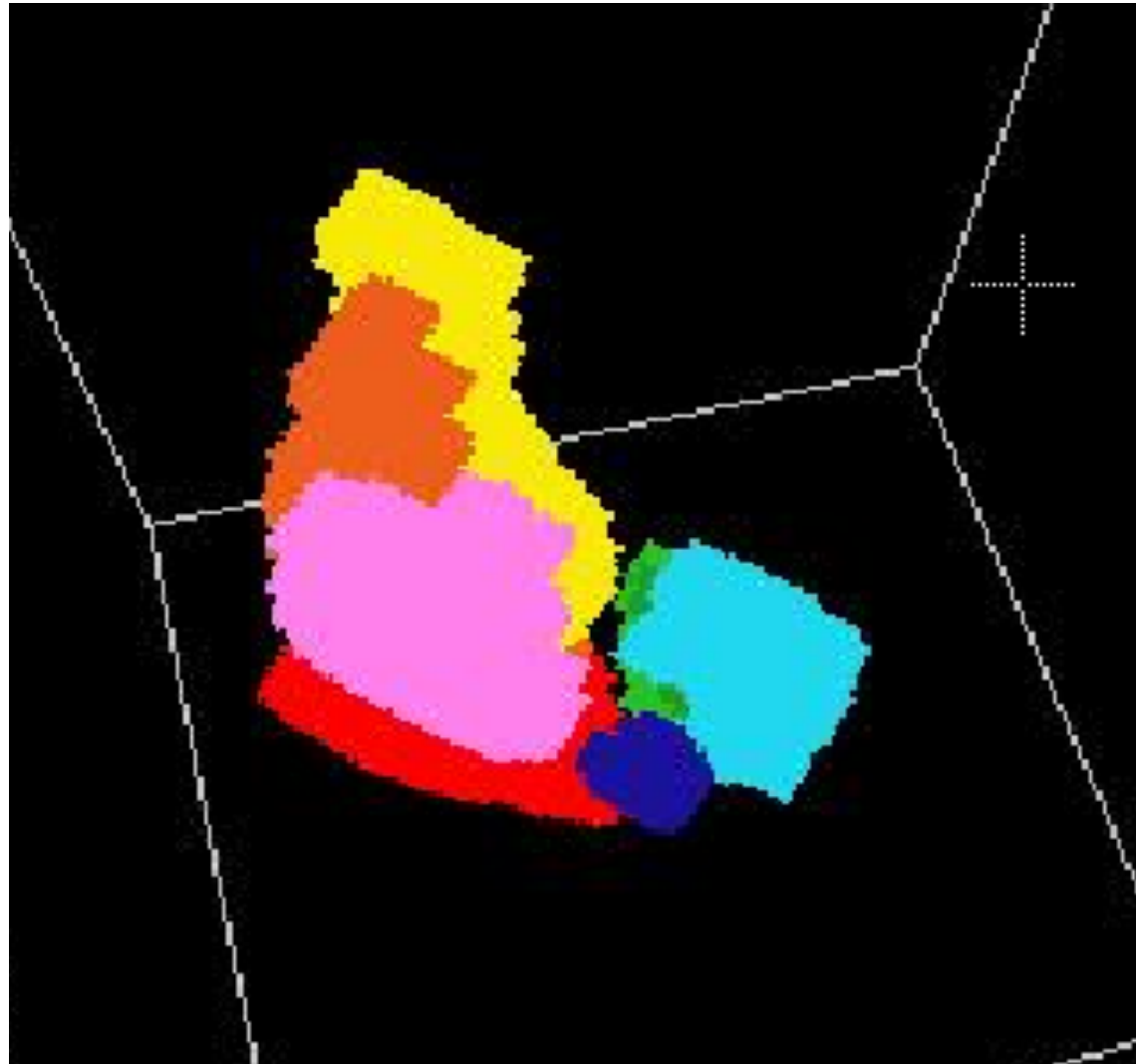
```
if (u <= 107)
  yellow;
else
  if (v <= 100)
    orange;
  else
    if (y <= 136)
      orange;
    else
      yellow;
```



# Colour Classes using C4.5



# Nearest Neighbour



# Description Language

- A concept can also be represented by sentences in a description language.
- May be if-then-else, or rules, like Horn clauses (Prolog):

The colour decision tree can be written as:

```
yellow :- u =< 107.  
yellow :- h > 107, v =< 100, y > 136.  
orange :- u > 107, v =< 100, y =< 136.
```

# Generalisation Ordering

- If we can define a generalisation ordering on a language, learning can be done by syntactic transformations.
- E.g

$$class \leftarrow size = large \quad (1)$$

is a generalisation of

$$class \leftarrow size = large \wedge colour = red \quad (2)$$

because (2) describes a more constrained set

# Subsumption

A clause  $C_1$  *subsumes*, or is more general than, another clause  $C_2$  if there is a substitution  $\sigma$  such that  $C_2 \supseteq C_1 \sigma$ .

The least general generalisation of

$class \leftarrow size = large$
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$class \leftarrow size = large \wedge colour = red$
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$p(g(a), a)$  (3)

and  $p(g(b), b)$  (4)

is  $p(g(X), X)$ . (5)

Under the substitution  $\{a / X\}$  (5) is equivalent to (3).

Under the substitution  $\{b / X\}$  (5) is equivalent to (4).



# Inverse Substitution

The least general generalisation of

$$p(g(a), a)$$

and  $p(g(b), b)$

is  $p(g(X), X)$ .

and results in the inverse substitution  $\{X / \{a, b\}\}$

# Least General Generalisation

E.g.

The result of heating this bit of iron to 419°C was that it melted.

The result of heating that bit of iron to 419°C was that it melted.

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The result of heating any bit of iron to 419°C was that it melted.

We can formalise this as:

`melted(bit1) :- bit_of_iron(bit1), heated(bit1, 419).`

`melted(bit2) :- bit_of_iron(bit2), heated(bit2, 419).`

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`melted(X) :- bit_of_iron(X), heated(X, 419).`

# Least General Generalisation

- Find a substitution so that there is no other clause that is more general

# LGG of Clauses

$q(g(a)) :- \underline{p(q(a), h(b))}, \underline{r(h(b), c)}, \underline{r(h(b), e)}.$

$q(x) :- \underline{p(x, y)}, \underline{r(y, z)}, \underline{r(h(w), z)}, \underline{s(a, b)}.$

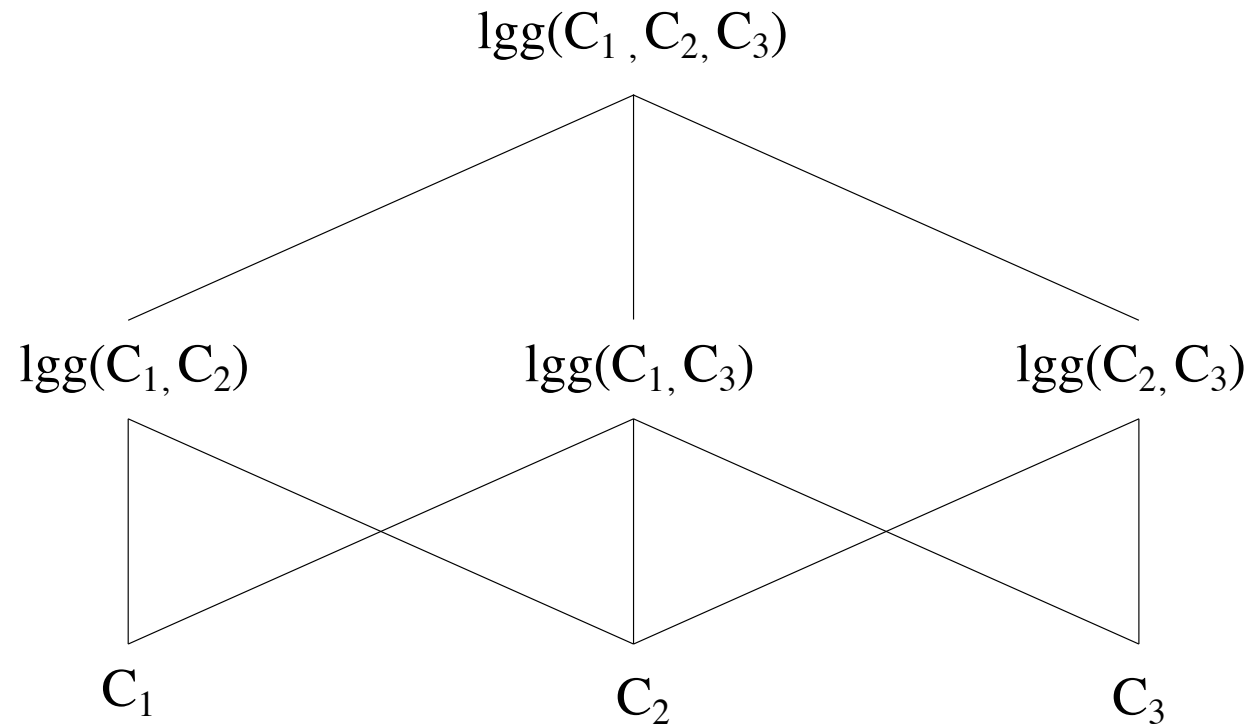
results in an LGG:

$q(X) :- p(X, Y) , r(Y, Z) , r(h(U), Z) , r(Y, V) , r(h(U), V)$

with inverse substitutions:

$\{\underline{X/(g(a), x)}, \underline{Y/(h(b), y)}, \underline{Z/(c, z)}, \underline{U/(b, w)}, \underline{V/(e, z)}\}$

# LGG of sets of clauses



# Background Knowledge

- Background knowledge can assist learning
- It must be possible to interpret a concept description as a recognition procedure.
- If the description of chair has been learned, then it should be possible to refer to chair in other concept descriptions.
- E.g. the chair “program” will recognise the chairs in an office scene.

# Saturation

Given a set of clauses, the body of one of which is completely contained in the bodies of the others, such as:

$$X \leftarrow A \wedge B \wedge C \wedge D \wedge E$$

$$Y \leftarrow A \wedge B \wedge C$$

we can *saturate* the first clause:

$$X \leftarrow A \wedge B \wedge C \wedge D \wedge E \wedge Y$$

# Saturation Example

Suppose we are given two instances of a concept `cuddly_pet`,

$$\text{cuddly\_pet}(X) \leftarrow \text{fluffy}(X) \wedge \text{dog}(X)$$
$$\text{cuddly\_pet}(X) \leftarrow \text{fluffy}(X) \wedge \text{cat}(X)$$

and:

$$\text{pet}(X) \leftarrow \text{dog}(X)$$
$$\text{pet}(X) \leftarrow \text{cat}(X)$$

Saturated clauses are:

$$\text{cuddly\_pet}(X) \leftarrow \text{fluffy}(X) \wedge \text{dog}(X) \wedge \text{pet}(X)$$
$$\text{cuddly\_pet}(X) \leftarrow \text{fluffy}(X) \wedge \text{cat}(X) \wedge \text{pet}(X)$$

LGG is

$$\text{cuddly\_pet}(X) \leftarrow \text{fluffy}(X) \wedge \text{pet}(X)$$



# Relative Least General Generalisation (RLGG)

- Apply background knowledge to *saturate* example clauses.
- Find LGG of saturated clauses

```
heavier(A, B) :- denser(A, B), larger(A, B).
```

```
fall_together(hammer, feather) :-  
  same_height(hammer, feather),  
  denser(hammer, feather),  
  larger(hammer, feather).
```

```
fall_together(hammer, feather) :-  
  same_height(hammer, feather),  
  denser(hammer, feather),  
  larger(hammer, feather),  
  heavier(hammer, feather).
```

# GOLEM

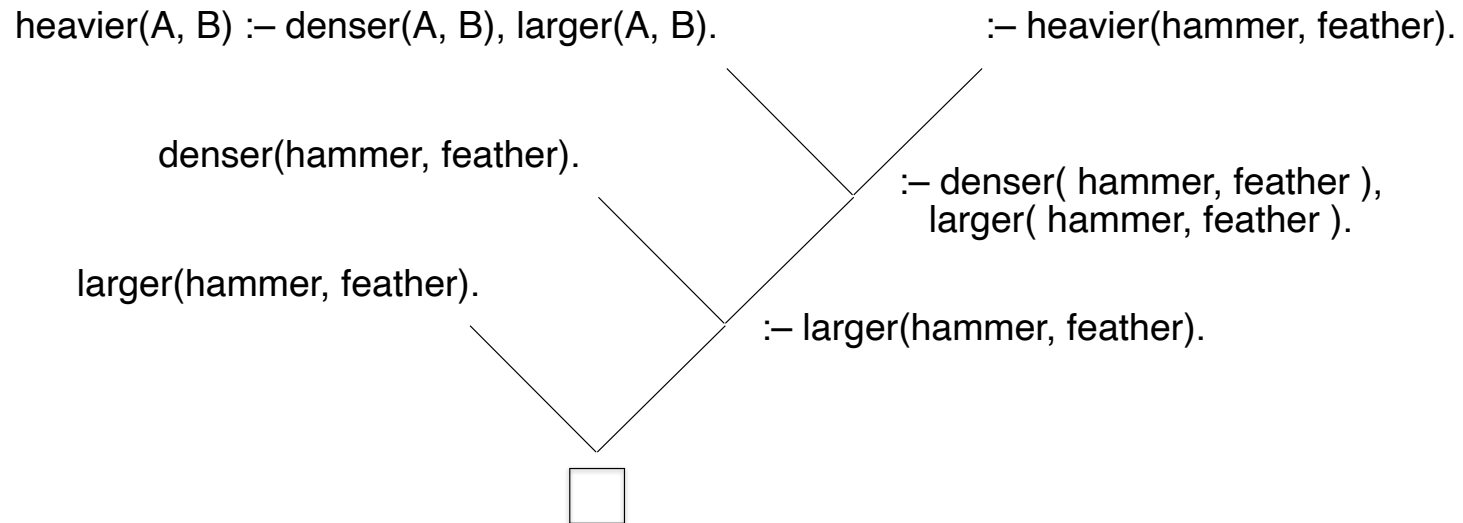
- LGG is very inefficient for large numbers of examples
- GOLEM uses a *hill-climbing* as an approximation
  - Randomly select pairs of examples
  - Find LGG's and pick the one that covers most positive examples and excludes all negative examples, call it **S**.
    - Randomly select another set of examples
    - Find all LGG's with S
    - Pick best one
    - Repeat as long as cover of positive examples increases.

# Inverting Resolution

- Resolution provides an efficient means of deriving a solution to a problem, given a set of axioms which define the task environment.
- Resolution takes two terms and resolves them into a most general unifier.
- Anti-unification finds the *least general generalisation* of two terms.

# Resolution Proofs

larger(hammer, feather).  
denser(hammer, feather).  
heavier(A, B) :- denser(A, B), larger(A, B).  
heavier(hammer, feather)?



# Absorption

Given a set of clauses, the body of one of which is completely contained in the bodies of the others, such as:

$$X \leftarrow A \wedge B \wedge C \wedge D \wedge E$$

$$Y \leftarrow A \wedge B \wedge C$$

we can hypothesise:

$$X \leftarrow Y \wedge D \wedge E$$

$$Y \leftarrow A \wedge B \wedge C$$

# Intra-construction

This is the distributive law of Boolean equations. Intra-construction takes a group of rules all having the same head, such as:

$$X \leftarrow B \wedge C \wedge D \wedge E$$

$$X \leftarrow A \wedge B \wedge D \wedge F$$

and replaces them with:

$$X \leftarrow B \wedge D \wedge Z$$

$$Z \leftarrow C \wedge E$$

$$Z \leftarrow A \wedge F$$

Intra-construction automatically creates a new term in its attempt to simplify descriptions.

# Automatic Programming

```
member(blue, [blue]).  
member(eye, [eye, nose, throat]).
```

**Is** member(A, [A|B]) **always true?** y

**Is** member(A, [B|C]) **always true?** n

```
member(2, [1,2,3,4,5,6]).
```

**Is** member(A, [B,A|C]) **always true?** y

**Is** member(A, [B|C]) :- member(A,C) **always true?** y

**Generalisation:**

```
member(A, [A|B]).  
member(A, [B|C]) :- member(A, C).
```

# Problems with Incremental Learning

- Experiments can never validate a world model.
- Experiments usually involve noisy data, they can cause damage to the environment, they may cause misleading side-effects.
- A robot may have an incomplete theory and incorrect model.
- Need to be able to handle exceptions.
- Need to be able to repair knowledge base.
- If concepts are represented by Horn clauses, we can use a program debugger (declarative diagnosis).



# Repairing Theories

Set the theory  $T$  to  $\{ \}$

repeat

Examine the next example

repeat

while the theory  $T$  is too general (covers -ve example) do

Specialise  $T$

while the theory is too specific (doesn't cover +ve example) do

Generalise  $T$

until the conjecture  $T$  is neither too general nor too

specific with respect to the known facts





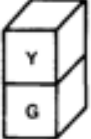
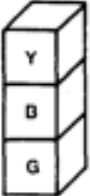
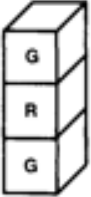
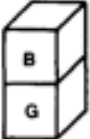
Output  $T$

forever

# Exceptions

## Multi-level Counterfactuals

- Form a cover for +ve examples
- If -ve examples are also covered, for a new cover of -ve examples and add it as an exception
- If +ve examples are excluded now, reverse process

POSITIVE INSTANCES		NEGATIVE INSTANCES	
<p>(ON T1 T2) (SPHERE T1) (GREEN T1) (CUBE T2) (GREEN T2)</p>		<p>(ON T10 T11) (SPHERE T10) (BLUE T10) (CUBE T11) (GREEN T11)</p>	
$P_1$		$V_1$	
<p>(ON T3 T4) (PYRAMID T3) (BLUE T3) (CUBE T4) (GREEN T4)</p>		<p>(ON T12 T13) (SPHERE T12) (GREEN T12) (CUBE T13) (BLUE T13)</p>	
$P_2$		$V_2$	
<p>(ON T5 T6) (CUBE T5) (YELLOW T5) (CUBE T6) (GREEN T6)</p>		<p>(ON T14 T15) (ON T15 T16) (CUBE T14) (YELLOW T14) (CUBE T15) (BLUE T15) (CUBE T16) (GREEN T16)</p>	
$P_3$		$V_3$	
<p>(ON T7 T8) (ON T8 T9) (CUBE T7) (GREEN T7) (CUBE T8) (RED T8) (CUBE T9) (GREEN T9)</p>		<p>(ON T17 T18) (CUBE T17) (BLUE T17) (CUBE T18) (GREEN T18)</p>	
$P_4$		$V_4$	

1. (ON .X .Y)(GREEN .Y)(CUBE .Y)
2. (ON .X .Y)(GREEN .Y)(CUBE .Y)~((BLUE .X) ~(PYRAMID .X))

# Exceptions or Noise?

- If there is noise, then exceptions will start to track noise, causing, "over-fitting".
- Must have a stopping criterion that prevents clause from growing too much.
- Some -ve examples may still be covered and some +ve examples may not.
- Use Minimum Description Length heuristic.

# Minimum Description Length

- Devise an encoding that maps a theory (set of clauses) into a bit string.
- Also need an encoding for examples.
- Number of bits required to encode theory should not exceed number of bits to encode +ve examples.

# Compaction

- Use a measure of compaction to guide search.
- More than one compaction operator applicable at any time.
- A measure is applied to each rule to determine which one will result in the greatest compaction.
- The measure of compaction is the reduction in the number of symbols in the set of clauses after applying an operator.
- Each operator has an associated formula for computing this reduction.
- Best-first search.

# Summary

- If a concept can be represented by sentences in a description language, concepts can be learned by generalising sentences in language
- Machine Learning as search through the space of possible sentences for the most compact that best covers +ve examples and excludes –ve examples
  - Least general generalisation
  - Inverse resolution
  - Automatic Programming

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