"Logically" Explainable Deep Networks and an application in drug discovery

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### Data (observations)



#### How we represent them



#### How do we explain these machines

If input is...

the explanation can be...

for the prediction ...



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Samek et al.: Explainable deep learning: concepts, methods, and new developments. Academic Press, 2023.



# ML with Domain-Knowledge



#### **m1:** CC1=CC=C(C=C1)C2=NN=C(S2)NC3=CC=C(C=C3)F



m2: CC(C)CC1=CC=CC=C1



Tofacitinib:

contains aromatic and heterocyclic rings with functional groups (amine, thiol, fluorine) and a higher degree of molecular complexity, potentially allowing interaction with JAK2.

#### Isobutylbenzene:

Contains only a benzene ring and an alkyl chain, simple structure, less likely to engage in specific interactions with JAK2.

# ML with Domain-Knowledge

- A deep model's decision should be explained in a manner that domain-experts can understand.
- Constructing deep models using data and domain-knowledge can help us achieve that.

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- 1. Data and background knowledge are uniformly represented in a relational representation (e.g. Prolog).
- 2. Using some language restrictions, a set of simple features are constructed. (a "template library of features")
- 3. These simple features can be composed to produce "complex" features. We propose two  $\rho$ -operations ( $\rho_1$  and  $\rho_2$ ).
- 4. A *d*-depth composition results in a composition graph.

Simple features:

p(X) :- q(X,Y), r(Y).
p(X) :- q(X,Y), r(Y), s(Y).
p(X) :- q(X,Y), r(X,Z), s(Y), t(Z).

The last feature is not a simple feature.

We read p() := q(), r() as "if q and r then p." Or, if q is TRUE and r is TRUE then p is TRUE. p() := q() is also denoted as  $p() \leftarrow q()$ .



 $f_1(t_1) = 1$ . Train T1 contains a short car. Clause  $C_1$  evaluates to TRUE.  $f_2(t_2) = 0$ . Train T2 contains a short car, but it is not closed. Clause  $C_2$  evaluates to FALSE. ...

 $\rho$ -derivation of feature-clauses (Composition):

Example 1:



Example 2:



 $C1: p(X) \leftarrow has\_car(X, Y), short(Y) \qquad C2: p(X) \leftarrow has\_car(X, U), has\_car(X, V), smaller(U, V)$ 

d-depth composition results in a template for a DNN structure.



*Maximum* in-degree is 2.  $\rightarrow$  A CRM is a compressed network.



For each data instance, we can now ground this structure template.

### Relational instance 1:





#### Relational instance 2:



#### Computation in a CRM:



Inspired from: Alan Turing's idea of B-type networks and unorganised machines (1948)

For a mini-batch of data instances:

- 1. Perform forward pass to compute the class-conditional probabilities,  $p(Y = y_i | X)$
- 2. Compute loss (e.g. cross-entropy for classification)
- 3. Perform gradient descent to update model parameters  $(w_{ij}s)$

### Model Explanation:

For any data instance, X:

- 1. Compute the prediction,  $\hat{y} = m^*(X)$
- 2. Perform Layerwise Relevance Propagation (Bach et al., PloS one, 2015.)

CRM's explanation is a structured tree.



### **Evaluation**

#### (A) Synthetic datasets: Target theory (model) is known.



Train  $t_1$ 

(With the substitution  $\{X/t1\}$ )

ard (d, 7, e, 1, e, 6) (With the substitution  $\{A/d, B/7, \dots, F/6\}$ )

<u>Target theory:</u> Train X has a car Y and Y is short and closed.

<u>Target theory:</u> White Rook and Black King are on the same file (column).

### Evaluation

(B) <u>Real datasets (NCI GI-50)</u>: Activity of chemical compounds in cancer cell-line experiments; a database of (



Target theory is not known.

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Code: https://github.com/tirtharajdash/CRM

### Appendix

# $p(\Theta|D, B) \propto p(\Theta|B) \times p(D|\Theta, B)$

If data D is limited, the prior becomes very important.