

Indices de pouvoir et d'interaction en théorie des jeux coopératifs : une approche par moindres carrés

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Cooperative games and pseudo-Boolean functions

Cooperative games

Set of players : $N = \{1, \dots, n\}$. Game : $f : 2^N \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$. For a coalition S of players $f(S)$ is the *worth* of S (usually $f(\emptyset) = 0$, not additive).

Pseudo-Boolean functions

These are functions $f : \{0, 1\}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$.

Identifying $S \subseteq N$ and $\mathbf{1}_S \in \{0, 1\}^n$, games are pseudo-Boolean functions. A pseudo-Boolean function can be written

$$f(\mathbf{x}) = \sum_{S \subseteq N} v(S) \prod_{i \in S} x_i \prod_{i \in N \setminus S} (1 - x_i) = \sum_{S \subseteq N} a(S) \prod_{i \in S} x_i.$$

Multilinear extensions (Owen,1972)

$$\bar{f} : [0, 1]^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R} : \mathbf{x} \mapsto \sum_{S \subseteq N} a(S) \prod_{i \in S} x_i.$$

Two problems : to share the benefits of the game or to measure the importance/influence of a player on the outcome of the game.

The Shapley power index (L.S. Shapley 1953):

$$\begin{aligned}\phi_{\text{Sh}}(f, i) &= \sum_{T \not\ni i} \frac{(n-t-1)!t!}{n!} (f(T \cup i) - f(T)) \\ &= \sum_{T \not\ni i} \frac{(n-t-1)!t!}{n!} \Delta^i f(T),\end{aligned}$$

The discrete derivative : $\Delta^i f(T) = f(T \cup i) - f(T \setminus i)$

The Banzhaf power index (J. Banzhaf 1965):

$$\phi_{\text{B}}(f, i) = \frac{1}{2^{n-1}} \sum_{T \not\ni i} (f(T \cup i) - f(T)) = \frac{1}{2^{n-1}} \sum_{T \not\ni i} \Delta^i f(T)$$

Interaction indexes I

To measure the interaction among players i and j :

The Banzhaf interaction index (Owen (1972), Murofushi-Soneda (1993))

$$I_B(f, \{i, j\}) = \frac{1}{2^{n-2}} \sum_{T \subseteq N \setminus \{i, j\}} (f(T \cup ij) - f(T \cup i) - f(T \cup j) + f(T)).$$

Note that, for $T \subseteq N \setminus \{i, j\}$,

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta^{ij} f(T) &= f(T \cup ij) - f(T \cup i) - f(T \cup j) + f(T) \\ &= (f(T \cup ij) - f(T)) - (f(T \cup i) - f(T)) - (f(T \cup j) - f(T)) \\ &= (f(T \cup ij) - f(T \cup j)) - (f(T \cup i) - f(T)). \end{aligned}$$

For $f(\mathbf{x}) = \sum_{T \subseteq N} a(T) \prod_{i \in T} x_i$ and $S \subseteq N$,

$$\Delta^S f(\mathbf{x}) = \sum_{T \supseteq S} a(T) \prod_{i \in T \setminus S} x_i$$

Interaction indexes II

To measure the interaction among players in coalition S :

The Banzhaf interaction index of S (Roubens (1996))

$$I_B(f, S) = \frac{1}{2^{n-s}} \sum_{T \subset N \setminus S} \Delta^S f(T).$$

The Shapley interaction index of S (Grabisch (1997))

$$I_{Sh}(f, S) = \sum_{T \subset N \setminus S} \frac{(n-t-s)!t!}{(n-s+1)!} \Delta^S f(T).$$

Probabilistic interaction index of S (Grabisch, Roubens, see also Fujimoto, Kojadinovic, Marichal (2006))

$$I(f, S) = \sum_{T \subset N \setminus S} p_T^S \Delta^S f(T),$$

with $p_T^S \geq 0$ and $\sum_T p_T^S = 1$.

Alternative expressions of interactions

Expressions in terms of the Möbius transform

$$I_B(f, S) = \sum_{T \supseteq S} \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{t-s} a(T),$$

$$I_{Sh}(f, S) = \sum_{T \supseteq S} \frac{1}{t-s+1} a(T).$$

In terms of the derivatives of \bar{f}

$$I_B(f, S) = (D^S \bar{f})\left(\frac{\mathbf{1}}{2}\right) = \int_{[0,1]^n} D^S \bar{f}(\mathbf{x}) d\mathbf{x},$$

$$I_{Sh}(f, S) = \int_{[0,1]} D^S \bar{f}(x, \dots, x) dx.$$

Main properties

Alternative representations

The map $f \mapsto (I_B(f, S) : S \subseteq N)$ is a linear bijection :

$$\bar{f}(\mathbf{x}) = \sum_{S \subseteq N} I_B(f, S) \prod_{i \in S} (x_i - \frac{1}{2}).$$

Symmetry-anonymity

If $\pi \in S_n$ and $\pi(f)(x_1, \dots, x_n) = f(x_{\pi(1)}, \dots, x_{\pi(n)})$, then

$$I(\pi(f), \pi(S)) = I(f, S).$$

Dummy players

A player i is dummy in f if $f(T \cup i) = f(T) + f(i) - f(\emptyset)$ for $T \subseteq N \setminus i$.
If i is dummy, then

$$I(f, i) = f(i) \quad \text{and} \quad I(f, S) = 0 \quad \forall S \ni i.$$

Some axiomatic characterizations use these properties.

Banzhaf power index and linear model

Given a pseudo-Boolean f , consider a linear model for f :

$$f_1(\mathbf{x}) = a_{\emptyset} + a_1x_1 + \cdots + a_nx_n$$

The power of i in f is given by a_i .

Randomization : all the coalitions are equally likely to form.

Least squares method : find f_1 that minimizes

$$\sum_{x \in \{0,1\}^n} (f(x) - g(x))^2$$

among all linear models g .

Theorem (Hammer-Holzman (1992))

In the solution of the least squares problem, $a_i = I_B(f, i)$.

Banzhaf interaction index and multi-linear model

V_k : space of pseudo-Boolean functions of degree k at most

$$V_k = \{g : g(\mathbf{x}) = \sum_{S \subseteq N, s \leq k} c(S) \prod_{i \in S} x_i\}$$

For each f , find $f_k = \sum_{s \leq k} a_k(S) \prod_{i \in S} x_i \in V_k$ that minimizes

$$\sum_{x \in \{0,1\}^n} (f(x) - g(x))^2$$

among all $g \in V_k$.

Theorem (Grabisch-Marichal-Roubens (2000))

$$a_k(S) = a(S) + (-1)^{k-s} \sum_{T \supseteq S, t > k} \binom{t-s-1}{k-s} \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{t-s} a(T).$$

$$a_s(S) = I_B(f, S) (!).$$

Weighted least squares

$w(S)$: the probability that coalition S forms : $w(S) = \Pr(C = S)$

Under independence

$p_i = \Pr(C \ni i) = \sum_{S \ni i} w(S) \in (0, 1)$ and

$$w(S) = \prod_{i \in S} p_i \prod_{i \in N \setminus S} (1 - p_i)$$

Associated weighted least squares problem

Find the unique $f_k \in V_k$ that minimizes the (squared) distance

$$\sum_{\mathbf{x} \in \{0,1\}^n} w(\mathbf{x})(f(\mathbf{x}) - g(\mathbf{x}))^2 = \sum_{S \subseteq N} w(S)(f(S) - g(S))^2$$

among all functions $g \in V_k$.

Rmk : The distance is associated to the inner product

$\langle f, g \rangle = \sum_{\mathbf{x} \in \{0,1\}^n} w(\mathbf{x})f(\mathbf{x})g(\mathbf{x})$, and w is defined by $\mathbf{p} = (p_1, \dots, p_n)$.

First solution of the least squares problem

The use of independence Guoli Ding et al (2010)

$B_k = \{v_S : S \subseteq N, s \leq k\}$, where $v_S: \{0, 1\}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is given by

$$v_S(\mathbf{x}) = \prod_{i \in S} \frac{x_i - p_i}{\sqrt{p_i(1-p_i)}} = \sum_{T \subseteq S} \frac{\prod_{i \in S \setminus T} (-p_i)}{\prod_{i \in S} \sqrt{p_i(1-p_i)}} \prod_{i \in T} x_i$$

forms an orthonormal basis for V_k .

The projection

$$f_k = \sum_{\substack{T \subseteq N \\ t \leq k}} \langle f, v_T \rangle v_T.$$

The index

$$I_{B,p}(f, S) = \frac{\langle f, v_S \rangle}{\prod_{i \in S} \sqrt{p_i(1-p_i)}}$$

First properties

The index characterizes the projection :

$f_k \in V_k$ is the best k th approximation of f iff

$$I_{B,p}(f, S) = I_{B,p}(f_k, S) \quad \forall S : s \leq k.$$

(Hint : this is equivalent to $\langle f, v_S \rangle = \langle f_k, v_S \rangle$.)

The map $f \mapsto I_{B,p}(f, S)$ is linear.

The map $f \mapsto (I_{B,p}(f, S) : S \subseteq N)$ is a bijection

$$f_k(\mathbf{x}) = \sum_{T \subseteq N, t \leq k} I_{B,p}(f, T) \prod_{i \in T} (x_i - p_i), \quad k = n \quad (!)$$

The index and the multilinear extension of f :

$$I_{B,p}(f, S) = (D^S \bar{f})(\mathbf{p})$$

Explicit formulas

From $f(\mathbf{x}) = \sum_{T \subseteq N} a(T) \prod_{i \in T} x_i$

Explicit expression of the index

$$I_{B,p}(f, S) = \sum_{T \supseteq S} a(T) \prod_{i \in T \setminus S} p_i$$

Proof : Just compute the derivatives of \bar{f} .

Explicit expression of the approximation

$f_k(\mathbf{x}) = \sum_{S \subseteq N, s \leq k} a_k(S) \prod_{i \in S} x_i$

$$a_k(S) = a(S) + (-1)^{k-s} \sum_{T \supseteq S, t > k} \binom{t-s-1}{k-t} \left(\prod_{i \in T \setminus S} p_i \right) a(T)$$

Proof : Use expression of f_k and $I_{B,p}(f, S)$, expand and do some algebra.

The index as an expected value

An expected value of the discrete derivative

$$I_{B,p}(f, S) = E(\Delta^S f) = \sum_{\mathbf{x} \in \{0,1\}^n} w(\mathbf{x}) \Delta^S f(\mathbf{x}).$$

Proof : Use $\Delta^S f(\mathbf{x}) = \sum_{T \supseteq S} a(T) \prod_{i \in T \setminus S} x_i$, independence and explicit formula for $I_{B,p}(f, S)$.

An average (As a probabilistic interaction index)

$$I_{B,p}(f, S) = \sum_{T \subseteq N \setminus S} p_T^S (\Delta^S f)(T),$$

where $p_T^S = \Pr(T \subseteq C \subseteq S \cup T) = \prod_{i \in T} p_i \prod_{i \in (N \setminus (S \cup T))} (1 - p_i)$.

Proof : Use $(\Delta^S f)(T) = (\Delta^S f)(T \setminus S)$.

Interpretation : $p_T^S = \Pr(C = S \cup T \mid C \supseteq S) = \Pr(C = T \mid C \subseteq N \setminus S)$

Further properties

Null players

A player i is *null* for f if $f(T \cup i) = f(T)$ for all $T \subseteq N \setminus i$.
If S contains a null player then $I_{B,p}(f, S) = 0$.

Dummy coalitions

$D \subseteq N$ is *dummy* for f if $f(T) = f(T \cap D) + f(T \cap (N \setminus D)) - f(\emptyset)$ for every $T \subseteq N$.
If D is dummy for f , if $K \cap D \neq \emptyset$ and $K \setminus D \neq \emptyset$: $I_{B,p}(f, K) = 0$.

Symmetry of the index

An index I is symmetric if $I(\pi(f), \pi(S)) = I(f, S)$ for all permutations π .
 $I_{B,p}$ is symmetric if and only if w or is symmetric i.e. $p_1 = \dots = p_n$.

Back to Banzhaf and Shapley

A link with the Banzhaf index

$$I_{B,\mathbf{p}'}(f, S) = \sum_{T \supseteq S} I_{B,\mathbf{p}}(f, T) \prod_{i \in T \setminus S} (p'_i - p_i), \quad \text{set } p_i \text{ or } p'_i \text{ to } \frac{1}{2} \quad (!)$$

Another link with the Banzhaf index

$$I_B(f, S) = \int_{[0,1]^n} I_{B,\mathbf{p}}(f, S) d\mathbf{p}$$

Proof : Just use explicit expressions and integrate.

Interpretation : take an average over \mathbf{p} if it is not known.

A link with the Shapley index

$$I_{Sh}(f, S) = \int_0^1 I_{B,(p,\dots,p)}(f, S) dp.$$

Interpretation : average if the players behave in the same (unknown) way

Part II :

Interactions among variables of
functions over $[0, 1]^n$.

Problem I: Influence of variables

The problem

Consider $f: [0, 1]^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$.

How to measure the influence of variable x_k over $f(x_1, \dots, x_k, \dots, x_n)$?

Applications

x_i : partial score of an alternative with respect to criterion i .

$f(x_1, \dots, x_n)$: global score.

A simple example

$$f(x_1, \dots, x_n) = \sum_{i=1}^n c_i x_i + c_0.$$

A simple answer

$$I(f, k) = c_k.$$

More examples

- The geometric mean $f(x_1, \dots, x_n) = \left(\prod_{i=1}^n x_i\right)^{\frac{1}{n}}$;
- Weighted geometric means $f(x_1, \dots, x_n) = \prod_{i=1}^n x_i^{c_i}$;
- Weighted maxima $f(x_1, \dots, x_n) = \max_{i \in N} \min(c_i, x_i)$;
- Lovasz extensions $f(x_1, \dots, x_n) = \sum_{T \subseteq N} a_T \min_{i \in T} x_i$
- ...

A solution to problem I

Step I

Given a function f , approximate f by a linear model of the form $f_1 = c_0 + c_1x_1 + \dots + c_nx_n$. Restriction: $f \in L^2([0, 1]^n)$.

Step II

Define $I(f, k) = c_k$.

Explicit expression

$$I(f, k) = 12 \int_{[0,1]^n} f(\mathbf{x}) \left(x_k - \frac{1}{2}\right) d\mathbf{x}.$$

Alternative definition

Consider a linear model of the form $f_{\{k\}} = c_0 + c_kx_k$.

The “worth to improve” index

The concept of influence of subsets of variables was defined by M. Grabisch and C. Labreuche. Axioms :

- $I(\cdot, k)$ is linear on $L^2([0, 1]^n)$;
- $I(\cdot, k)$ is continuous on $L^2([0, 1]^n)$;
- Step evaluation : value of the index on particular threshold functions;
- Normalization: value of the index for weighted means.

The result

The influence index (worth to improve) criterion k :

$$W_k = 6 \int_{[0,1]^n} f(\mathbf{x})(2x_k - 1) d\mathbf{x}.$$

In general for $S \subseteq \{1, \dots, n\}$,

$$W_S = 3 \times 2^{|S|} \int_{[0,1]^n} f(\mathbf{x}) \left(\prod_{i \in S} x_i - \prod_{i \in S} (1 - x_i) \right) d\mathbf{x}.$$

Problem II : Interactions among variables

The problem

Consider $f: [0, 1]^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$.

How to measure the interactions among $\{x_i : i \in S\}$ in $f(x_1, \dots, x_k, \dots, x_n)$?

A simple example

Consider a multilinear function

$$f: [0, 1]^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}: (x_1, x_2) \mapsto c_0 + c_1x_1 + c_2x_2 + c_{12}x_1x_2.$$

A simple answer

The interaction between x_1 and x_2 within f is defined by c_{12} .

Least squares approximations

The approximation problems

Denote by M_s the space of multilinear functions $g: [0, 1]^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ of degree less than or equal to s , i.e. of the form

$$g(\mathbf{x}) = \sum_{T \subseteq N, |T| \leq s} c(T) \prod_{i \in T} x_i.$$

The standard L^2 distance of functions $f, h \in L^2([0, 1]^n)$ is

$$d(f, h)^2 = \int_{[0, 1]^n} (f(\mathbf{x}) - h(\mathbf{x}))^2 d\mathbf{x}.$$

For $f \in L^2([0, 1]^n)$, find $f_s \in M_s$ that minimizes $d(f, g)$ for g in M_s .

Alternative problem : Define M_S as the space of multilinear functions

$$g(\mathbf{x}) = \sum_{T \subseteq S} c(T) \prod_{i \in T} x_i.$$

For every $f \in L^2([0, 1]^n)$, compute f_S .

Interaction indexes

First index

For $f \in L^2([0, 1]^n)$ and $s \leq n$ write

$$f_s(\mathbf{x}) = \sum_{T \subseteq N, |T| \leq s} a_s(T) \prod_{i \in T} x_i.$$

Define

$$\mathcal{I}_1(f, S) = a_s(S) \quad \text{for } S \subseteq N, \quad s = |S|.$$

Second index

For $f \in L^2([0, 1]^n)$ and $S \subseteq N$ write

$$f_S(\mathbf{x}) = \sum_{T \subseteq S} a_s(T) \prod_{i \in T} x_i.$$

Define

$$\mathcal{I}_2(f, S) = a_s(S) \quad \text{for } S \subseteq N.$$

The result

For every $f \in L^2([0, 1]^n)$ and $S \subseteq N$ we have

$$\mathcal{I}_1(f, S) = \mathcal{I}_2(f, S) := \mathcal{I}(f, S) = 12^{|S|} \int_{[0,1]^n} f(\mathbf{x}) \prod_{i \in S} \left(x_i - \frac{1}{2}\right) d\mathbf{x}.$$

Proof

The space $L^2([0, 1]^n)$ is an inner product space w.r.t.

$$\langle f, g \rangle = \int_{[0,1]^n} f(\mathbf{x})g(\mathbf{x})d\mathbf{x}.$$

$$\text{Define } v_T(\mathbf{x}) = 12^{|T|/2} \prod_{i \in T} \left(x_i - \frac{1}{2}\right), \quad T \subseteq N.$$

$$\text{Then } f_s = \sum_{|T| \leq s} \langle f, v_T \rangle v_T \quad \text{and} \quad f_S = \sum_{T \subseteq S} \langle f, v_T \rangle v_T.$$

Examples

$$f(\mathbf{x}) = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i.$$

- $\mathcal{I}(f, k) = \frac{1}{n}$;
- $\mathcal{I}(f, S) = 0$ if $|S| \geq 2$.

$$f(\mathbf{x}) = \left(\prod_{i=1}^n x_i \right)^{\frac{1}{n}}$$

- $\mathcal{I}(f, k) = \left(\frac{1}{n+1} \right)^n \frac{6}{2n+1}$;
- $\mathcal{I}(f, S) = \left(\frac{1}{n+1} \right)^n \left(\frac{6}{2n+1} \right)^{|S|}$.

$$f(\mathbf{x}) = \prod_{i=1}^n x_i^{c_i}$$

$$\mathcal{I}(f, S) = \prod_{i \in N} \frac{1}{c_i + 1} \prod_{i \in S} \frac{6c_i}{c_i + 2}.$$

Interpretations as average of derivatives

For $\mathbf{x} \in [0, 1]^n$,

- $D_k f(\mathbf{x}) =$ local influence of x_k to f at \mathbf{x} ;
- $D_k D_j f(\mathbf{x}) =$ local interaction of x_j and x_k within f at \mathbf{x} ;

Theorem

If $f \in L^2([0, 1]^n)$ is smooth enough, then

$$\mathcal{I}(f, S) = \int_{[0,1]^n} q_S(\mathbf{x}) D^S f(\mathbf{x}) d\mathbf{x},$$

where $q_S(\mathbf{x}) = 6^{|S|} \prod_{i \in S} x_i (1 - x_i)$ is a p.d.f. on $[0, 1]^n$.

Proof : Integration by parts.

Interpretations as average of difference quotients

Define the discrete derivative $\Delta_{\mathbf{h}}^S f(\mathbf{x})$ of f at $\mathbf{x} \in [0, 1]^n$ by

$$\Delta_{\mathbf{h}}^{\{i\}} f(\mathbf{x}) = f(\mathbf{x} + h_i \mathbf{e}_i) - f(\mathbf{x}).$$

+ induction. The difference quotient is then

$$Q_{\mathbf{h}}^S f(\mathbf{x}) = \frac{\Delta_{\mathbf{h}}^S f(\mathbf{x})}{\prod_{i \in S} h_i}$$

Theorem

For every $S \subseteq N$, we have

$$\mathcal{I}(f, S) = \int_{\mathbf{x} \in [0, 1]^n} \int_{\mathbf{y}_S \in [\mathbf{x}_S, 1]} p_S(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}_S) Q_{\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{x}}^S f(\mathbf{x}) d\mathbf{y}_S d\mathbf{x},$$

where $p_S(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}_S) = 6^{|S|} \prod_{i \in S} (y_i - x_i)$ is a p.d.f on the integration domain.

The index is linear and continuous.

Link with the Banzhaf index

If $g : \{0, 1\}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is pseudo-Boolean and $f = \bar{g}$ is the multilinear extension, then

$$\mathcal{I}(f, S) = I_B(g, S).$$

Symmetry

The index \mathcal{I} is symmetric: we have $\mathcal{I}(\pi(f), \pi(S)) = \mathcal{I}(f, S)$.

Ineffective variables

If x_i is ineffective for f , then $\mathcal{I}(f, S) = 0$ whenever $i \in S$.

Dummy subsets of variables

$D \subseteq N$ is *dummy* for $f : [0, 1]^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ if

$$f(\mathbf{x}) = f(\mathbf{0}_D \mathbf{x}_{N \setminus D}) + f(\mathbf{0}_{N \setminus D} \mathbf{x}_D) - f(\mathbf{0}).$$

Then if $S \cap D \neq \emptyset$ and $S \setminus D \neq \emptyset$, $\mathcal{I}(f, S) = 0$.

S -Increasing functions

If f is S -increasing for some $S \subseteq N$ ($\Delta_{\mathbf{y}-\mathbf{x}}^S f(\mathbf{x}) \geq 0$ for $\mathbf{y} \geq \mathbf{x}$), then $\mathcal{I}(f, S) \geq 0$.

More examples

Multiplicative functions

If f is multiplicative : $f(\mathbf{x}) = \prod_{i \in N} f_i(x_i)$ then

$$\frac{\mathcal{I}(f, S)}{\mathcal{I}(f, \emptyset)} = \prod_{i \in S} \frac{\mathcal{I}(f_i, i)}{\mathcal{I}(f_i, \emptyset)}.$$

Discrete Choquet integrals

If $f(\mathbf{x}) = \sum_{T \subseteq N} a(T) \min_{i \in T} x_i$, then

$$\mathcal{I}(f, S) = 6^{|S|} \sum_{T \supseteq S} a(T) B(|S| + 1, |T| + 1),$$

where

$$B(p, q) = \int_0^1 t^{p-1} (1-t)^{q-1} dt = \frac{(p-1)!(q-1)!}{(p+q-1)!}.$$

Normalized index

Goal : to compare indexes for different functions.

Problem : we need to normalize the index.

Observation : the index is defined (for $S \neq \emptyset$) as a covariance :

$$\mathcal{I}(f, S) = \langle f - E(f), 12^{|S|/2}(v_T - E(v_T)) \rangle$$

We define the normalized index as the Pearson coefficient:

$$r(f, S) = \frac{\mathcal{I}(f, S)}{12^{|S|/2} \sigma(f)}.$$

- $r(AM, i) = 1/\sqrt{n}$;
- $r(\min_N x_k, i) = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{\sqrt{n(n+2)}}$;
- $r(GM, \{i\}) = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2n+1} \left(\left(\frac{(n+1)^2}{n(n+2)} \right)^n - 1 \right)^{-1/2}$.

Thanks for your attention

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