# Towards the Use of Decision Models (Hierarchy of Choquet Integrals) in Machine Learning and Image Processing

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# Multi-Criteria Decision problem

### Multi-Criteria Decision Aiding (MCDA)

- $N = \{1, ..., n\}$ : index set of attributes/features.
- $X_i$ : set of values representing attribute/feature *i* (for  $i \in N$ ).
- $X = X_1 \times \cdots \times X_n$ : set of alternatives/instances.

$$\mathbf{x} = (x_1, \dots, x_n) \in X$$
 with  $x_i \in X_i$ .

- Problem to solve, given a set of alternatives in *X*:
  - choose the most preferred one
  - rank the alternatives from best to worse
  - sort the alternatives into preferential categories
- U : X → ℝ: utility representing preferences of decision maker over X
  - $U(\mathbf{y}) > U(\mathbf{x})$ : **y** is preferred to **x**

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# From a typical MCDA context ....



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# From a typical MCDA context ....

#### Design of Tracking System for Air Traffic Management CDR RCH131 = A320 Aim: Use MCDA to select the best tracking system. **Real trajectory** 360 cfl Tracking quality attributes: **Estimated trajectory** ٠ Position Error (PE) Heading Error (HE) ۲ Completeness (C) Attributes are measured for each type of aircraft: ۲ Commercial Airplanes (CA) AUJ18791 = A320 360 ۲ Recreational Airplanes (RA) Overal Performance And the state of t CTN654 = A320 160 \* HE-CA C-CA PE-RA HE-RA PE-CA

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# ... towards the use of MCDA within Machine Learning (ML)

## **Object Detection in Images**

Aim: Locate bounding boxes around objects of interest and classify them.





## What we'd like to have ...

- Incorporate MCDA
  - within ML to improve

its interpretability

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# General model

## Decomposable preference model [Krantz et al'1971]

 $U(\mathbf{x}) = A(u_1(x_1), \ldots, u_n(x_n))$ 

where

- $u_i : X_i \rightarrow [0, 1]$ : marginal utility function
- $A: [0, 1]^n \rightarrow [0, 1]$ : aggregation function

Scale [0, 1] is typically a *satisfaction degree*. Properties:

Monotonicity

$$u_i(x_i) \ge u_i(x'_i) : x_i$$
 at least as good as  $x'_i$   
 $v_1 \ge v'_1, \dots, v_n \ge v'_n \Rightarrow A(\mathbf{v}) \ge A(\mathbf{v}')$ 

Idempotency:

$$A(\alpha,\ldots,\alpha)=\alpha\quad\forall\alpha\in[0,1]$$



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# Simplest aggregation model

## Weighted sum

$$WS_{\mathbf{w}}(\mathbf{v}) = \sum_{i \in N} w_i v_i,$$

where  $\mathbf{w} = (w_1, \ldots, w_n)$  are the criteria weights with

$$w_i \ge 0$$
 (monotonicity)  
 $\sum_{i \in N} w_i = 1$  (idempotency)

Interest of the WS:

- Very simple to understand
- Criteria weights make sense to people (⇒ Feature Attribution in ML)



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# Generalization of the Weighted Sum

## **Piecewise Affine function**

#### Model $PA(\mathbf{v})$

- $\mathcal{D}$ : (finite) partition of  $[0, 1]^n$
- PA is a (monotone and idempotent) WS in each domain of  ${\cal D}$
- PA is continuous

#### Interest of the PA:

- Universal approximator
   (⇒ see ReLU-based Neural Networks in ML)
- Might be doable to understand it (⇒ <u>SP-LIME</u> in ML [Singh et al'2016])



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# A Particular Piecewise Affine model

## Choquet integral

Idea:

- Idempotency: it makes sense to compare  $v_i$  with  $v_i$
- Piecewise Affine function in domains of the form  $v_3 \ge v_1 \ge v_2 \ge \cdots$

$$C_m(\mathbf{v}) = \sum_{S \subseteq N} m(S) \cdot \bigwedge_{i \in S} v_i \qquad (\bigwedge \equiv \min)$$

- m: Möbius coefficients
  - Monotonicity:  $\forall i \in N \ \forall S \subseteq N \setminus \{i\}$   $\sum_{T \subseteq S} m(T \cup \{i\}) \ge 0$
  - Normalization:  $\sum_{S \subseteq N} m(S) = 1$
- Very versatile model:
  - Complementarity among criteria  $(m(S) > 0) \cdots$  veto
  - Redundancy among criteria (m(S) < 0) · · · favor



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# A Particular Piecewise Affine model

## Complexity of the Choquet integral

The Choquet integral contains 2<sup>*n*</sup> parameters:

$$m: 2^N \rightarrow \mathbb{R}.$$

Submodels of the Choquet integral

$$C_m(\mathbf{v}) = \sum_{S \in S} m(S) \cdot \min_{i \in S} v_i$$

where  $S \subseteq 2^N$ . Example:

k-additive:

$$\mathcal{S} = \big\{ \mathcal{S} \subseteq \mathcal{N} : |\mathcal{S}| \le k \big\}.$$

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# Choquet integral

## 2-additive Choquet integral

$$C_{w}(\mathbf{v}) = \sum_{i=1}^{n} w_{i} v_{i} + \sum_{i=1}^{n} \sum_{j=i+1}^{n} w_{i,j}^{\wedge} (v_{i} \wedge v_{j}) + \sum_{i=1}^{n} \sum_{j=i+1}^{n} w_{i,j}^{\vee} (v_{i} \vee v_{j}) \qquad [\wedge \equiv \min, \vee \equiv \max]$$

• Monotonicity: 
$$\forall i, j \in N \quad w_i \geq 0, w_{i,j}^{\wedge} \geq 0, w_{i,j}^{\vee} \geq 0$$

• Normalization: 
$$\sum_{i=1}^{n} w_i + \sum_{i=1}^{n} \sum_{j=i+1}^{n} w_{i,j}^{\wedge} + \sum_{i=1}^{n} \sum_{j=i+1}^{n} w_{i,j}^{\vee} = 1$$



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# Choquet integral

## Interpretation

## Importance of criteria:

$$\phi_i = \mathbf{w}_i + \sum_{j \neq i} \frac{\mathbf{w}_{i,j}^{\wedge} + \mathbf{w}_{i,j}^{\vee}}{2}$$

## Interaction between criteria:

$$I_{i,j} = \left\{ egin{array}{l} w^{\wedge}_{i,j} ext{ if } w^{\wedge}_{i,j} 
eq 0 \ -w^{\vee}_{i,j} ext{ else} \end{array} 
ight.$$



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# Interconnected Choquet Integrals

## Theorem [Ovchinnikov'2002]

Any continuous piecewise affine function can be represented by a network of interconnected Choquet integrals.



- Layer a<sub>i</sub>: inputs
- Layer s<sub>j</sub>: weighted sums of the inputs (1 per affine part)
- Layer U: MinMax function that triggers the correct affine function



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# Interconnected Choquet Integrals

## Discussion

Drawback of previous architecture

- The middle layer  $(s_j)$  might be extremely large;
- Fully connected layers are hard to understand and explain.

Modification:

- Consider a tree rather than a fully connected network: more understandable;
- The same approximation quality might be achieved with less nodes but deeper graphs.

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# **Hierarchical models**

## Limitation of a flat model



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# Identifiability

## Identifiability

Identifiability of a model class: injectivity of its parameterization.

- $C = \{F_{\theta}, \theta \in \Theta\}$  a family of functions defined on X
- ⊖ the parameter space
- $\mathcal{F}_{ heta} \in \mathcal{C}$  parameterized by heta

Then C is identifiable if and only if:  $\forall \mathbf{x} \in X, \mathcal{F}_{\theta}(\mathbf{x}) = \mathcal{F}_{\theta'}(\mathbf{x}) \Rightarrow \theta = \theta'$ .

## Illustration

 $\begin{array}{l} \Theta = \mathbb{R}^2, \ X = \mathbb{R}.\\ \mathcal{C}_1 = \{\mathcal{F}_{a,b} : x \mapsto abx, \ (a,b) \in \Theta\} \text{ is not identifiable, as } \mathcal{F}_{3,4} = \mathcal{F}_{6,2}\\ \mathcal{C}_2 = \{\mathcal{F}_{a,b} : x \mapsto ax + b, \ (a,b) \in \Theta\} \text{ is identifiable} \end{array}$ 

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# Identifiability

Interest of Identifiability

- It is easier to learn
- The model is interpretable

## Our ambition

Identifiability of the UHCI parameters but also the hierarchy.

## Not a foregone conclusion ... wrong for graphs



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# Separation frontiers of an HCI model

## HCI model A: piecewise affine function

- Partition  $\mathcal{D} = \{\mathcal{D}_1, \dots, \mathcal{D}_p\}$  of  $[0, 1]^n$
- Set of affine functions  $\mathcal{L} = \{L_1, \ldots, L_p\}$
- For all  $j \in \{1, \dots, p\}$  and  $\mathbf{v} \in \mathcal{D}_j$ ,  $A(\mathbf{v}) = L_j(\mathbf{v})$



## Separation frontiers of an HCI model

As A is continuous, the separation frontiers between the affine parts are hyperplanes.

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# Separation frontiers of an HCI model



Model:



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## Linear parts:

•  $v_1, v_2 \mapsto v_4$  has 2 linear parts:

$$v_1$$
 and  $\frac{v_1 + v_2}{2}$   
Separation frontiers . . .

• ... of 
$$v_3, v_4 \mapsto v_5$$
:

 $V_3 = V_4$ 

• ... hence of 
$$v_1, v_2, v_3 \mapsto v_5$$
:

$$v_1 = v_2$$
,  $v_1 = v_3$  and  $\frac{v_1 + v_2}{2} = v_3$ 



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# Separation frontiers of an UHCI model

## Assumption

Marginal utility functions are piecewise  $C^1$  functions

$$u_1(x_1) = \begin{cases} f_1(x_1) \text{ if } x_1 \leq \alpha \\ f'_1(x_1) \text{ else} \end{cases}$$



## UHCI model U: piecewise $C^1$ model

- Partition  $\mathcal{D} = \{\mathcal{D}_1, \dots, \mathcal{D}_p\}$  of X
- Set of  $C^1$  functions  $C = \{C_1, \ldots, C_p\}$
- For all  $j \in \{1, \dots, p\}$  and  $\mathbf{x} \in \mathcal{D}_j$ ,  $U(\mathbf{x}) = C_j(\mathbf{x})$



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# Separation frontiers of an UHCI model

## Illustration



Separation of $v_1, v_2, v_3 \mapsto v_5$	Separation of $x_1, x_2, x_3 \mapsto v_5$
$v_1 = v_2$	$f_1(x_1) = f_2(x_2)$
$v_1 = v_3$	$f_1(x_1) = f_3(x_3)$ , $f_1(x_1) = f'_3(x_3)$
$\frac{v_1+v_2}{2}=V_3$	$\frac{f_1(x_1)+f_2(x_2)}{2} = f_3(x_3)$ , $\frac{f_1(x_1)+f_2(x_2)}{2} = f'_3(x_3)$
	$X_3 = \alpha$

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# Can we deduce the hierarchy from the separations?

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# Can we deduce the hierarchy from the separations?

## Theorem [Bresson et al, KR'2021]

The separation frontiers are of the form

•  $x_i = \alpha$  for a leaf node  $i \in N$ ;

• 
$$\sum_{\ell \in K^+} w_\ell \ u_\ell(x_\ell) = \sum_{\ell \in K^-} w_\ell \ u_\ell(x_\ell)$$
 such that

•  $w_{\ell} > 0$  for all  $\ell \in K^+ \cup K^-$ 

• 
$$\exists k \in V \text{ and } k^+, k^- \in \text{Children}(k) \text{ s.t.}$$

$$K^+ \subseteq \text{Leaf}(k^+)$$
 and  $K^- \subseteq \text{Leaf}(k^-)$ 



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# Assumptions

## Fact

From the previous construction, the hierarchy cannot always be uniquely determined.

## Counter-example #1

For a weighted sum, the hierarchy cannot be recovered from the expression of the model. Example  $v_5 = \frac{v_6 + v_7}{2}$ ,  $v_6 = \frac{v_1 + v_2}{2}$  and  $v_7 = \frac{v_3 + v_4}{2}$ .



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# Assumptions

## Notation

Let  $k \in V$ . For a given CI, we write  $S_k$  the set of subsets of Children(k) having a non-zero Möbius coefficient.

## Assumption H1

At every aggregation node  $k \in V$ , Children(k) is the only connected component of graph

 $\langle \text{Children}(k), \{(i,j), i \neq j \text{ s.t. } \exists S \in S_k : \{i,j\} \subseteq S \} \rangle$ 

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# Illustration of H1

## Illustration

H1 forbids to have a model  $C_{m_k}$  that is (even only partly) additive.

• 
$$v_5 = C_{m_k}(v_1, v_2, v_3, v_4) = \frac{1}{2}v_1 \wedge v_2 + \frac{1}{2}v_3 \wedge v_4$$

• violates H1: {1,2} and {3,4} are disconnected

• 
$$v_6 = v_1 \land v_2$$
,  $v_7 = v_3 \land v_4$  and  $v_8 = \frac{v_6 + v_7}{2}$  is equivalent



•  $C_{m_k}(v_1, v_2, v_3, v_4) = \frac{1}{3}v_1 \wedge v_2 + \frac{1}{3}v_2 \wedge v_3 + \frac{1}{3}v_3 \wedge v_4$  satisfies H1

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# Assumptions

## Counter-example #2





## Assumption H2

For all nodes  $k \in V$ :

$$|\mathcal{S}_k| \geq 2.$$

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## Illustration of H2

H2 (combined with H1) forbids from having a simple min between two variables.

• 
$$v_4 = v_1 \wedge v_2$$
 (violating H2) and  $v_5 = \frac{v_3}{2} + \frac{v_3 \wedge v_4}{2}$ 

• We can rewrite 
$$v_5 = \frac{v_3}{2} + \frac{v_1 \wedge v_2 \wedge v_3}{2}$$



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# Identifiability result

## Identifiability of UHCI and its hierarchy [Bresson et al, KR'2021]

Let  $\mathcal{F}$  and  $\mathcal{F}'$  be two UHCI with potentially different hierarchies, fuzzy measures and marginal utility functions. Assume that both models fulfill H1, H2. Assume,  $\forall x \in X, \ \mathcal{F}(x) = \mathcal{F}'(x)$ .

Then, both models have the same hierarchy, fuzzy measures and marginal utilities.

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# **Neuronal Representation**

## Monotonic Marginal Utility

#### Conditions on *u<sub>i</sub>*:

- u<sub>i</sub> is non-decreasing on X<sub>i</sub>
- $\lim_{x_i\to -\infty} u_i(x_i) = 0$
- $\lim_{x_i \to +\infty} u_i(x_i) = 1$

Convex sum of sigmoids:

$$u_i(x_i) = \sum_{k=0}^p \frac{r_i^k}{1 + e^{-\left(\eta_i^k x_i - \beta_i^k\right)}},$$



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where

• 
$$\sum_{k=1}^{p} r_i^k = 1$$
 and  $\forall k, r_i^k \ge 0$   
•  $\forall k, \eta_i^k \ge 0$ 



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# **Neuronal Representation**

## Choquet Modules



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# Composition of the different parts

Composition of aggregation and Marginal Utility patterns [Bresson et al, IJCAI'2020]





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# Composition of the different parts

## Ensuring Monotonicity and Normalization conditions

	Monotonicity	Normalization
Utility function	clipping:	4
	$r_i^k \leftarrow max(r_i^k, 0)$	$r_i^{\kappa} \leftarrow \frac{r_i^{\kappa}}{\sum_j r_j^j}$
Aggregation	$\mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+$ $z_i \mapsto w_i = \operatorname{softmax}(z_i)$	$w_i \leftarrow \frac{w_i}{\sum_j w_j}$
		$Z_i \leftarrow \text{softmax}^{-1}(w_i)$

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## Experimental Results - Performance

Dataset	MLP	Logistic Reg.	CUR	NCI	NCI+U	NHCI	NHCI+U
CPU	$0.015 \pm 0.021$	$0.091 \pm 0.051$	$0.024 \pm 0.025$	$0.045 \pm 0.039$	$0.023 \pm 0.024$	$0.030 \pm 0.027$	$0.023 \pm 0.026$
CEV	$0.004 \pm 0.004$	$0.110 \pm 0.023$	$0.084 \pm 0.067$	$0.059 \pm 0.012$	$0.051 \pm 0.023$	$0.035 \pm 0.009$	$0.019 \pm 0.017$
LEV	$0.135 \pm 0.021$	$0.161 \pm 0.022$	$0.143 \pm 0.0213$	$0.136 \pm 0.022$	$0.135 \pm 0.019$	N/A	N/A
MPG	$0.113 \pm 0.036$	$0.090 \pm 0.030$	$0.112 \pm 0.099$	$0.086 \pm 0.027$	$0.079 \pm 0.027$	$0.085 \pm 0.029$	$0.082 \pm 0.027$
DB	$0.143 \pm 0.069$	$0.164 \pm 0.071$	$0.235 \pm 0.017$	$0.139 \pm 0.067$	$0.132 \pm 0.068$	$0.141 \pm 0.068$	$0.132 \pm 0.066$
MG	$0.179 \pm 0.028$	$0.196 \pm 0.027$	$0.166 \pm 0.022$	$0.195 \pm 0.027$	$0.166 \pm 0.026$	$0.201 \pm 0.030$	$0.181 \pm 0.028$
Journal	$0.180 \pm 0.063$	$0.250 \pm 0.070$	$0.218 \pm 0.086$	$0.207 \pm 0.065$	$0.197 \pm 0.060$	$0.219 \pm 0.065$	$0.216 \pm 0.062$
Boston	$0.124 \pm 0.030$	$0.145 \pm 0.033$	$0.1360 \pm 0.085$	$0.127 \pm 0.031$	$0.129 \pm 0.032$	$0.121 {\pm} 0.032$	$0.129 \pm 0.031$
Titanic	$0.182 \pm 0.025$	$0.202 \pm 0.027$	$0.185 \pm 0.041$	$0.192 \pm 0.0264$	$0.193 \pm 0.027$	$0.203 \pm 0.027$	$0.194 \pm 0.027$

Table 1 NEUR-HCI, Classification setting: Classification error (average and variance over 1,000 runs).

Dataset	MLP	Linear Reg.	NCI	NCI+U	NHCI	NHCI+U
CPU	$0.0005 \pm 0.0016$	$0.0022 \pm 0.0019$	$0.0023 \pm 0.0032$	$0.0009 \pm 0.0013$	$0.0026 \pm 0.0023$	$0.0009 \pm 0.0011$
CEV	$0.0094 \pm 0.003$	$0.0434 \pm 0.0442$	$0.0437 \pm 0.0037$	$0.0264 \pm 0.0027$	$0.0197 \pm 0.0017$	$0.0176 \pm 0.0017$
LEV	$0.0312 \pm 0.0254$	$0.0252 \pm 0.0029$	$0.0252 {\pm} 0.0031$	$0.0252 {\pm} 0.0029$	N/A	N/A
MPG	$0.0047 \pm 0.0008$	$0.0089 \pm 0.0019$	$0.0084 \pm 0.0018$	$0.0056 \pm 0.0013$	$0.0091 \pm 0.0018$	$0.0057 \pm 0.0012$
Journal	$0.0410 \pm 0.010$	$0.0524 \pm 0.0128$	$0.0631 \pm 0.0127$	$0.0385 {\pm} 0.0112$	$0.0629 \pm 0.0127$	$0.0391 \pm 0.0117$
Boston	$0.0079 \pm 0.0030$	$0.0174 \pm 0.0038$	$0.0157 \pm 0.0037$	$0.0072 {\pm} 0.0023$	$0.0151 \pm 0.0033$	$0.0077 \pm 0.0023$

 Table 2
 NEUR-HCI, Regression setting: Mean square error (average and variance over 1,000 runs)

Dataset	MLP	Linear Reg.	NCI	NCI+U	NHCI	NHCI+U
CPU	$0.0005 \pm 0.002$	$0.0006 \pm 0.003$	$0.0007 \pm 0.003$	$0.0006 \pm 0.003$	$0.0009 \pm 0.003$	$0.0010 \pm 0.004$
CEV	$0.0174 \pm 0.012$	$0.0642 \pm 0.011$	$0.0243 \pm 0.005$	$0.0099 \pm 0.002$	$0.0165 \pm 0.004$	$0.0088 \pm 0.003$
LEV	$0.0178 \pm 0.025$	$0.0179 \pm 0.023$	$0.0178 \pm 0.024$	$0.0177 {\pm} 0.023$	N/A	N/A
MPG	$0.0613 \pm 0.012$	$0.0642 \pm 0.011$	$0.0610 {\pm} 0.011$	$0.0612 \pm 0.011$	$0.0633 \pm 0.012$	$0.0621 \pm 0.011$
DB	$0.1355 \pm 0.0796$	$0.1257 \pm 0.079$	$0.1216 \pm 0.081$	$0.0942 \pm 0.069$	$0.1231 \pm 0.092$	$0.0962 \pm 0.081$
MG	$0.2601 \pm 0.046$	$0.2661 \pm 0.047$	$0.2668 \pm 0.045$	$0.2381 {\pm} 0.037$	$0.2701 \pm 0.052$	$0.2446 \pm 0.036$
Journal	$0.1801 \pm 0.064$	$0.1802 \pm 0.065$	$0.1761 \pm 0.063$	$0.1838 \pm 0.066$	$0.1711 \pm 0.063$	$0.1889 \pm 0.065$
Boston	$0.0659 \pm 0.016$	$0.0790 \pm 0.014$	$0.0790 \pm 0.015$	$0.0669 {\pm} 0.012$	$0.0752 \pm 0.014$	$0.0681 \pm 0.014$
Titanic	$0.1521 \pm 0.027$	$0.1651 \pm 0.029$	$0.1632 \pm 0.028$	$0.1533 \pm 0.028$	$0.166 \pm 0.028$	$0.1542 \pm 0.029$
Arguments 1	$0.0157 \pm 0.015$	$0.0195 \pm 0.016$	$0.0145 \pm 0.012$	$0.0141 \pm 0.012$	$0.0141 \pm 0.012$	$0.0140 \pm 0.012$
Arguments 2	$0.0588 \pm 0.028$	$0.0653 \pm 0.031$	$0.0644 \pm 0.028$	$0.0581 \pm 0.027$	$0.0572 {\pm} 0.027$	$0.0572 {\pm} 0.028$
Arguments 3	$0.0740 \pm 0.039$	$0.0941 \pm 0.042$	$0.0783 \pm 0.040$	$0.0784 \pm 0.040$	$0.0761 {\pm} 0.039$	$0.0771 \pm 0.041$

Table 3 NEUR-HCI, Ranking setting: percentage of mis-ordered pairs (average and variance

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# Main approaches of XAI for Image Processing

Feature Attribution				
Test Image	3A			
Explanation for class « Siberian Husky »	-			
Explanation for class « Transverse Flute »	<b>S</b>			

\* Checkermallo, 2016

# t Kim at al. Quantitative

**Explicit Concepts** 

\* *Kim et al.* Quantitative testing with concept activation vectors (TCAV). 2018



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Christophe Labreuche Hierarchy of Choquet Integrals in ML

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# CB2: Cut The Back-Box

## Choice of a set C of concepts

- Provided by domain expert
- Domain Ontology, Concept-Net ontology
- Most frequent words in dictionary



## **Conceptual Representation**

- VLM (Visual Language Model) with pivotal representation
  - $\phi_{\mathbf{v}}$  : images  $\rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$
  - $\phi_t : \text{text} \to \mathbb{R}^m$

• Degree of relevance of concept *c* in image  $\mathbf{x}$ :  $\hat{x}_c =$ 

$$\langle \phi_{m{v}}({f x}), \phi_t({f c}) 
angle$$



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# CB2: Cut The Back-Box

## Alignment

- $f: z \mapsto \hat{z}$  and  $g: \hat{z} \mapsto z$
- Alignment loss:

$$\mathcal{L}_{ ext{Align}}(\mathcal{H}) = \sum_{(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) \in \mathcal{D}} \left[ \left\| \hat{\mathbf{z}}(\hat{\mathbf{x}}) - f(\mathbf{z}(\mathbf{x})) \right\|^2 + \left\| \mathbf{z}(\mathbf{x}) - g(\hat{\mathbf{z}}(\hat{\mathbf{x}})) \right\|^2 
ight]$$



## Distillation

Distillation loss

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{Dist}}(H) = \sum_{j=1}^{L} \sum_{(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) \in \mathcal{D}} \left[ H_j(\hat{\mathbf{x}}) \log(y_j(x)) + (1 - H_j(\hat{\mathbf{x}})) \log(1 - y_j(x)) \right]$$



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## Take-away messages

## UHCI model is a good model

- can be learnt from data
  - very versatile Neural Network architecture
- is interpretable
  - hierarchy is uniquely determined
  - explained through pie charts, importance/interaction coefficients
- can be used for image processing
  - as a surrogate model of DL
  - taking as inputs relevant concepts

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## Some Extensions

- Other models from Decision Theory
  - Generalized Additive Independence
  - MR-Sort
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- Learn the hierarchy
- Other types of explanations
  - Counterfactuals / Anchors
  - Causality: actual causes

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