

GENERATING SCORES WITH DEEP LEARNING AND ITEM RESPONSE THEORY

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INTRODUCTION

Our goal is to generate scores that can accurately predict a child's developmental group

PAPERS SUMMARIES

- Item Response Theory
- Bayesian Knowledge Tracing
- Deep Knowledge Tracing
- Dynamic Key Value Memory Networks for Knowledge Tracing
- Deep IRT

ITEM RESPONSE THEORY (IRT)

- IRT: A framework for modeling the probability of a specific response to an item based on the latent ability of a respondent.
- Latent Trait: Represents the unobserved (hidden) knowledge or ability of a student.
- IRT Parameters:
 - Difficulty: How challenging an item is.
 - Discrimination: How well an item distinguishes between those with and without the skill.
 - Guessing: The chance of answering correctly by guessing.
 - Slipping: The chance of answering incorrectly despite knowing the answer.

ITEM RESPONSE THEORY (IRT)

1 Parameter Logistic Model (1PLM) or Rasch Model

$$P(U_i = 1|\theta) = \frac{1}{1 + e^{-(\theta - b_i)}}$$

• Only the difficulty parameter b_i is considered in this model.

2 Parameter logistic model (2PLM)

$$P(U_i = 1|\theta) = \frac{1}{1 + e^{-a_i(\theta - b_i)}}$$

• This model excludes the guessing parameter c_i .

3 Parameter Logistic Model (3PLM) $P(U_i = 1|\theta) = c_i + \frac{(1 - c_i)}{1 + e^{-a_i(\theta - b_i)}}$ Where, U_i = Response to item *i* (1 for correct, 0 for incorrect).

- $\bullet \ \theta = \text{Latent ability or trait of the respondent.}$
- ✤ a_i = Discrimination parameter for item *i*.
- ↔ b_i = Difficulty parameter for item *i*.
- ↔ c_i = Guessing parameter for item *i*.

KNOWLEDGE TRACING (KT)

Knowledge Tracing (KT): A process of tracking and predicting a learner's knowledge over time, often in intelligent tutoring systems.

Connection to IRT:

- ✤ IRT gives a statistical framework that can enhance the precision of KT.
- Provides a probabilistic understanding of student's response patterns.
- Bayesian Knowledge Tracing (BKT) and Deep Knowledge Tracing (DKT) model student's knowledge in concept specific or summarized manner.

Challenges:

- Requires large datasets for calibration.
- Assumes unidimensionality (single latent trait being measured).
- Complex computational models.

BAYESIAN KNOWLEDGE TRACING (BKT)

- Bayesian Knowledge Tracing (BKT) is a specific method within KT.
- Analyses student's knowledge state into different concept states.
- Assumes concept state as binary: known or unknown.
- Uses Hidden Markov model for updating posterior distribution.

Challenges:

- Cannot capture relationships between different concepts.
- Uses discrete variables and simple transition models.
- Can output mastery level of predefined concepts.
- Cannot model complex concept state transitions or extract undefined concepts.

BAYESIAN KNOWLEDGE TRACING (BKT)

- ♦ $P(K_t)$ = Probability the skill is known at time t.
- ♦ $P(L_0)$ = Initial probability the skill is known.
- ♦ P(T) = Probability of transitioning from unknown to known state.
- ♦ P(G)= Guess probability.
- ♦ P(S) = Slip probability.

 \bullet If the student answers correctly at time *t*:

$$P(K_t | \text{Correct}) = \frac{\left(P(K_t) \times (1 - P(S))\right)}{P(K_t) \times (1 - P(S)) + (1 - P(K_t)) \times P(G)}$$

 \bullet If the student answers incorrectly at time t:

$$P(K_t | \text{Incorrect}) = \frac{P(K_t) \times P(S)}{P(K_t) \times P(S) + (1 - P(K_t)) \times (1 - P(G))}$$

DEEP KNOWLEDGE TRACING (DKT)



Data Representation



Challenges

- Assumes high dimensional and continuous representation of knowledge state.
- Summarizes all concepts in one hidden state.
- Difficult to trace mastery level of specific concepts or pinpoint student's proficiency.

Vanilla RNN

• Uses hidden states (h_1, \ldots, h_T) to encode past observations.

Long Short Term Memory (LSTM):

 \clubsuit A complex variant of RNNs.

Retains unit values until 'forget gate' acts.

DYNAMIC KEY VALUE MEMORY NETWORKS FOR KNOWLEDGE TRACING (DKVMN)

- Exploiting relationship between concepts.
- Can learn correlation between exercises and underlying concepts.
- Maintains a concept state for each concept.
- Updates only related concept states at each timestamp.
- ✤ Uses:
 - Static matrix (key) for storing concept representations.
 - Dynamic matrix (value) for storing and updating student's understanding of each concept.

DYNAMIC KEY VALUE MEMORY NETWORKS FOR KNOWLEDGE TRACING (DKVMN)



DEEP IRT

- Infers student ability & KCs' difficulty.
- Explainable compared to DKVMN, DKT
- Retains predictive power of deep learning
- Alternative to traditional testing uses entire learning trajectory
- Augments students ability and difficulty network to DKVMN
- ♦ $heta_{tj}$; Student ability on KC j at time t
- ↔ β_j ; Difficulty of knowledge component j





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