Case-Based Reasoning and Analogy: a Turbulent Love Story

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CBR and analogy: an RCC8 view



Overview

Preliminaries:

- Some definitions about CBR
- Some definitions about analogy
- A subjective chronological viewpoint
- CBR examined from the viewpoint of proportional analogies
- Using analogical proportions for reasoning with cases
- Adaptation knowledge learning and analogy
- Is there a way to conclude this talk?

Preliminaries

Warning:

- ► To the CBR-ians: the first part is boring for you.
- ► To the analogists: the second part is boring for you.
- ► To all: please wake up after the preliminaries!



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- There are some technological studies on CBR.

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 Depending on the analogical proportion, an analogical equation may have
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Other postulates of proportional analogies considered from a CBR viewpoint

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For k = 1: Correcting image segmentation

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lazy AKL with this D ↔ *analogical extrapolation* on Bⁿ
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