Supervised Learning Approach for Distance Based Record Linkage as Disclosure Risk Evaluation

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Record Linkage (RL) for Disclosure Risk evaluation



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Distance-based Record Linkage (DBRL)



Per-attribute distance *d_i*:



Aggregation of distances

Record distance

$$d(a,b)^2 = \mathbb{C}(d_1(a,b)^2,\ldots,d_n(a,b)^2).$$

\mathbb{C}	Variable weighting
Arithmetic Mean (d^2AM)	None
Weighted Mean (d ² WM)	Uniform
Choquet Integral (d^2CI)	Fuzzy measure
Mahalanobis Distance (d ² MD)	Covariance-like matrix

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Results

- Determine weights by supervised learning.
- Improves the re-identification percentage: best results for sets where attributes have different protection degrees.

	d²AM	d²WM	d²CI	d²MD
M5-38	0.3975	0.905	0.9125	0.9225
M6-385	0.78	0.9925	0.9975	0.9975

- Learning process determines key attributes (more weighted).
- Computation time has to be considered.