TRACS: Center for Theoretical Research and its Applications in Computer Science (An Overview)

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1. Possible Problems: General View

- Intelligent human activity:
 - find the state of the world science
 - make decisions based on this analysis business
 - design new things, new objects, new configurations engineering
- Common problems:
 - uncertainty
 - complexity





2. Our Expertise

- Find the state of the world:
 - data processing: $y = f(x_1, \ldots, x_n)$;
 - measurement uncertainty: $\Delta x_i \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \widetilde{x}_i x_i \neq 0$;
 - problem: how Δx_i affects $\Delta y = \widetilde{y} y$;
 - tools: traditional statistics, interval computations, etc.
 - who: Kreinovich, Ceberio
- Make decisions based on this analysis:
 - traditional approach: $M_p(a) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \sum p_i \cdot u_i(a) \to \max;$
 - uncertainty: in p_i , in $u_i(a)$
 - example: worst-case analysis $M_P(a) = \max_{p \in P} M_p(a)$
 - general case: non-linear ("fuzzy") measures $M_P(a)$
 - who: Modave
- Design new things, new objects, new configurations:
 - general case: find $x = (x_1, ..., x_n)$ that satisfies several constraints $f_i(x) \ge 0, f_i(x) = 0$
 - problem: constraints are "soft"
 - who: Ceberio
- Complexity: Longpré

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3. Application Areas

- Current Application Areas with examples:
 - Geoinformatics:
 - * eliminating duplicates and outliers in gravity databases
 - Structural Integrity of Aerospace Structures:
 - * detecting and locating faults
 - Security and Privacy:
 - * maintaining privacy in a statistical database
- Developing Application Areas:
 - Bioinformatics
 - Transportation
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