A Voting Method Selection Support System for GDSS

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Abstract

There are various cases that we vote for making a decision or combining ideas (i.e. human being's opinions) in group meetings. Group Decision Support System (GDSS) provides us with a number of voting methods for decision making or aggregation of the ideas. It is generally difficult to select a voting method appropriate for given a meeting situation, without any aid of experts or computers having a knowledge on voting. In this paper we propose a supporting system for selecting an appropriate voting method. Since the selected method is recommended to the facilitator of GDSS, a part of time and effort related with the voting would be reduced. The knowledge in the system is represented as rules that are inductively generated from examples of voting. We used UNiK-INDUCE with ID3 algorithm so as to learn, which is a tool of developing expert systems.