Research Methods in computer science

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Lecture 24

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Agenda

Conference updates
Idea generation
HW

Generating Research Ideas

"Standing on the shoulders of giants"

Most ideas may not be new

New may be subjective

Adding a layer to an existing deep learning architecture

When is it new?

When is it not new?

Idea Generator Heuristics

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From the same discipline

(e.g., ....)

From a different discipline

(e.g., ....)

Address Gap/limitation (Incremental?)

Handle some cases that were not handled

Improve some (partial) aspects of dimension
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Apply different datasets / settings / contexts

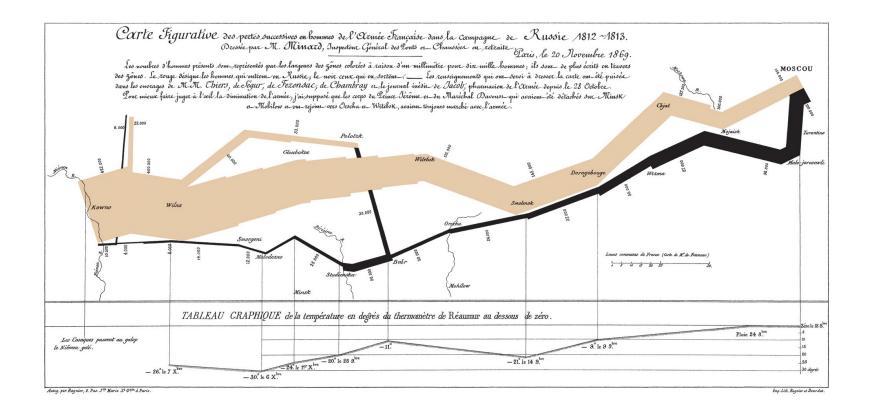
In-class group activity

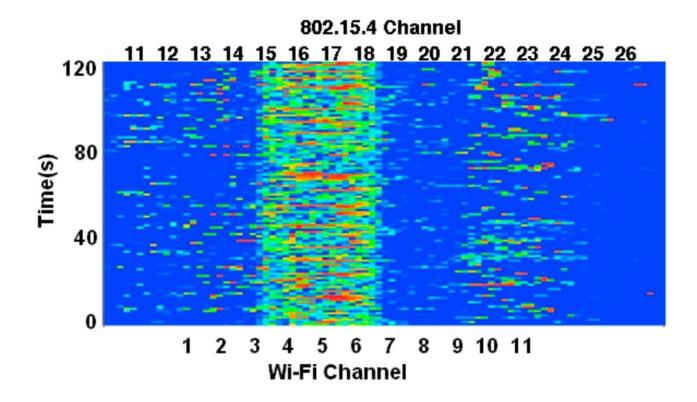
Pick a paper

Generate at least two derivative ideas

Present: original and derivative ideas

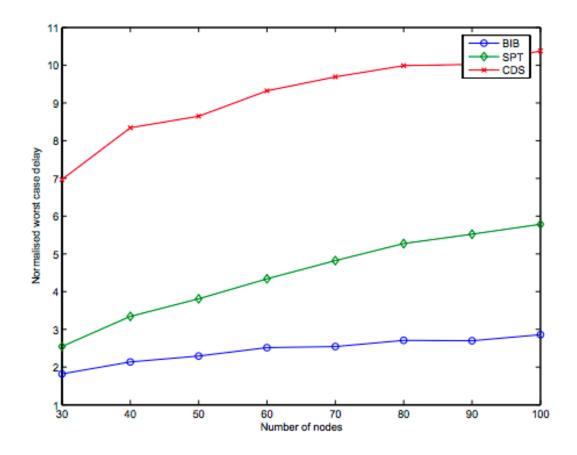
Graphs



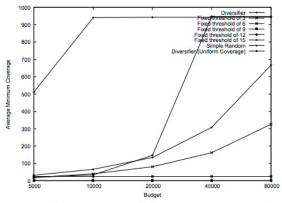


Example of a heatmap (red – high, blue – low)

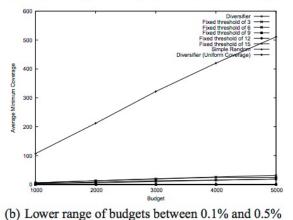
Annotations



Overlapping legend Legend order different from line order

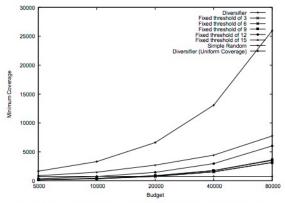


(a) Higher range of budgets between 0.5% and 8%



(b) Lower range of budgets between 0.176 and 0.576

Figure 2: The average minimum coverage achieved by various algorithms over 100 real world data sets of 1M items each.



(a) Minimum coverage with varying budgets

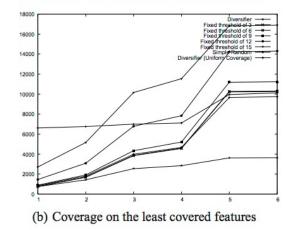
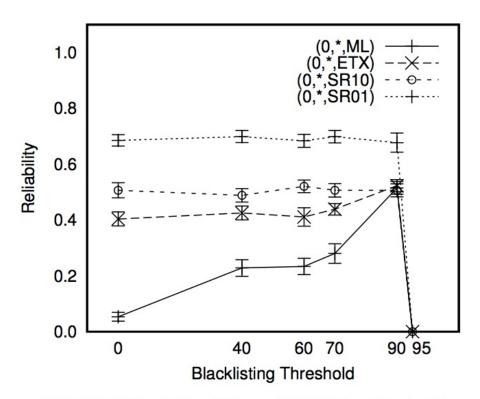
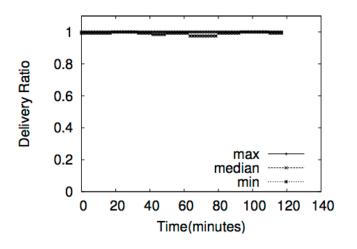


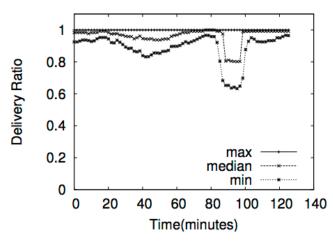
Figure 4: Experimental results for the Independent data set

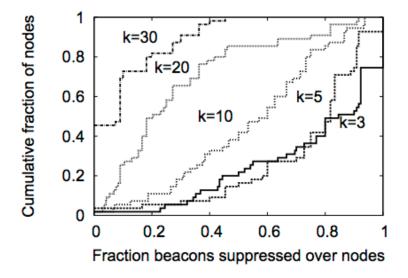
Legend overlapping data

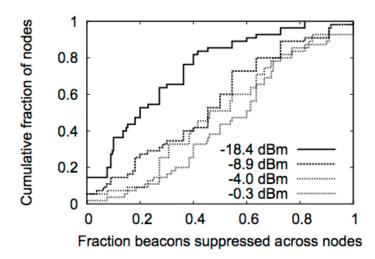


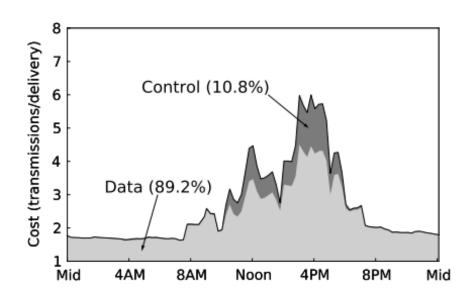
(c) Reliability with different blacklisting thresholds











We saw two common styles

Arrows and text Legends

Tools

matplotlib

Gnuplot

Excel

Inkspace

Powerpoint

Learn about: Vector format, high resolution graphics

Screen captured images

Zoom in before capture Start with a large image

Ideally start with a vector image

Font size

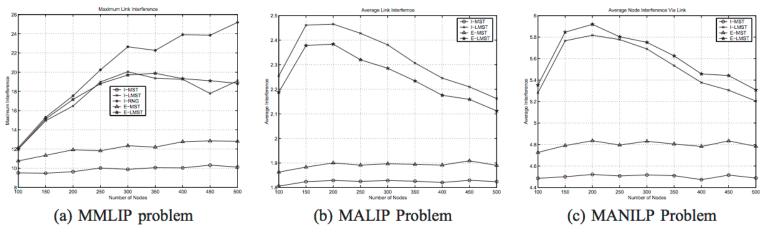


Fig. 4. Performances of various structures for a number of link-interference related problems.

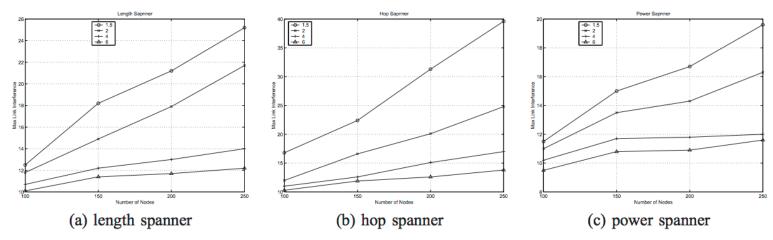
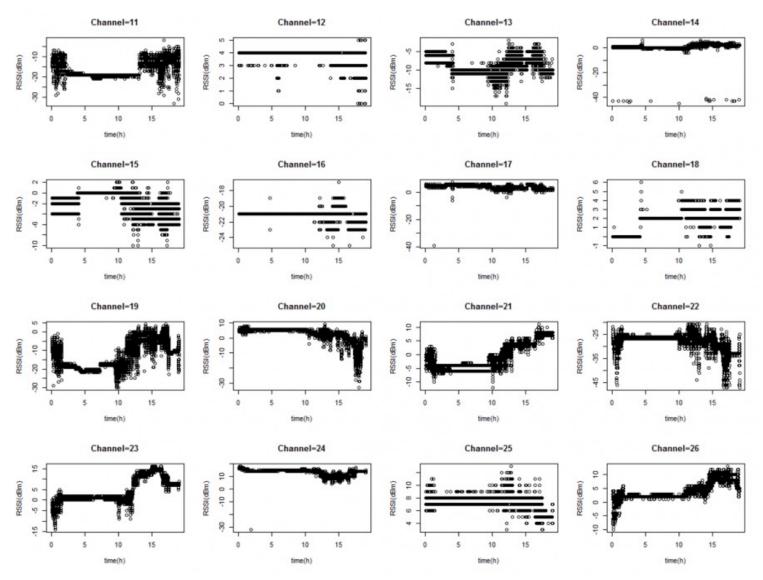


Fig. 5. Minimize the maximum link interference with different spanning ratio requirements.

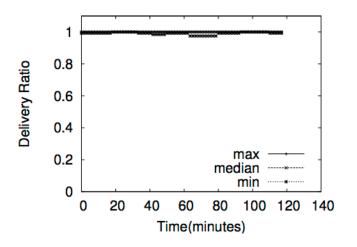
Just one idea to improve all your graphs

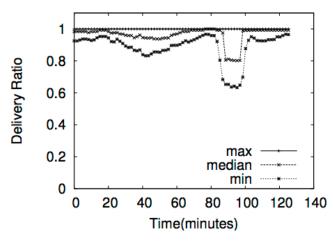
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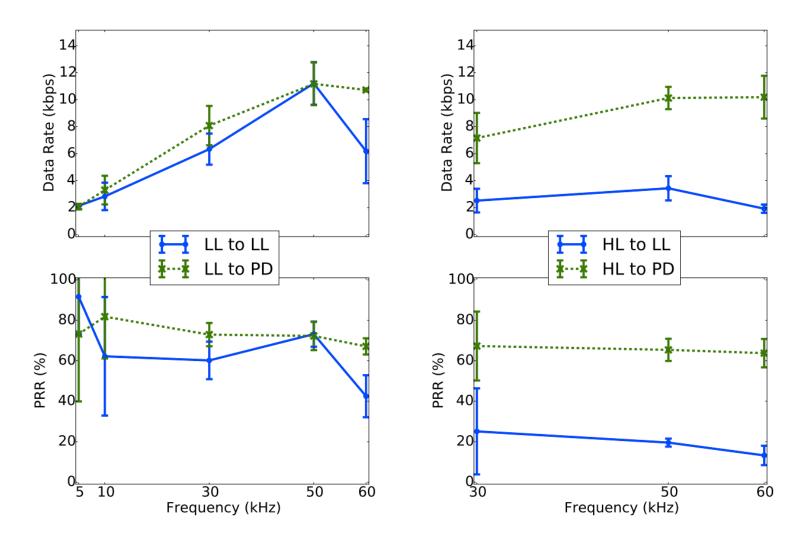
Range



These graphs do not use consistent y-axis range so hard to compare across graphs







Idea #1 Range of the metric
Idea #2 Range of the observed values

Caption

Should be mostly self-contained Don't just describe the lines

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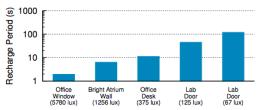


Figure 6: Recharge rate in varying lighting conditions. We measure the time the solar cell based energy-harvester takes to recharge in opportunistic trigger mode under different lighting conditions. As expected, the brighter the room the faster the recharge rate. Rooms with natural light (atrium and office) can support relatively fast recharge rates (in the 10s of seconds). Rooms with only artificial light (lab) cause the sensor to recharge more slowly, but can still support a sample every two minutes.

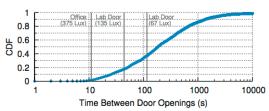


Figure 7: CDF of the interval between door open events. Plotted on a log scale x-axis is the CDF of time intervals between subsequent door opening events of a door over a month period. Also shown are the recharge times for the solar based energy-harvesting power supply in different lighting conditions. Sensors in rooms with natural light would be able to detect most door open events, and even in moderately lit rooms at least 65% of door open events would be detected.

HW

Full paper submission

Reviews