

Continuous Monitoring of Pareto Frontiers over Partially Ordered Attributes for Many Users

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Motivation

Recommendation based on users' preferences

Preferences with multiple attributes

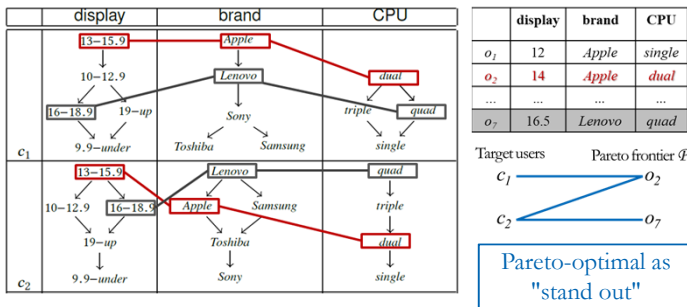
Objects that "stand out"



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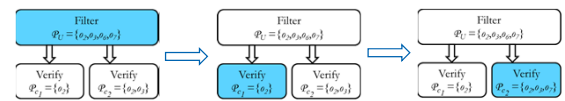
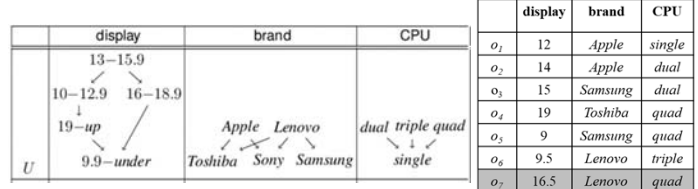
An Example



Algorithm FilterThenVerify

For each cluster in C

- Filter: if U approve o in Pareto-optimality, stores o in \mathcal{P}_U
- Verify: for each c , determines whether o belongs to \mathcal{P}_c



Similarity Functions

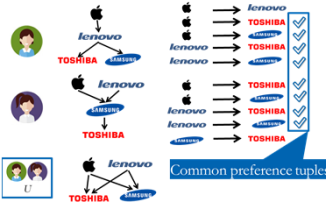
- Jaccard similarity
 - Common preference tuples $| \cap |$ / All preference tuples $| \cup |$
- Weighted Jaccard similarity
 - Values near top have more impact
 - Maximal values: no other value is preferred over
 - Weighted preference tuples

Problem Formulation

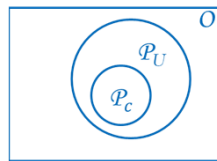


Challenges & Ideas

- Exhaustive comparisons
 - For every user
 - With every Pareto-optimal object
- A number of users
- Objects streaming
- Efficient dissemination
- Sharing computation across users

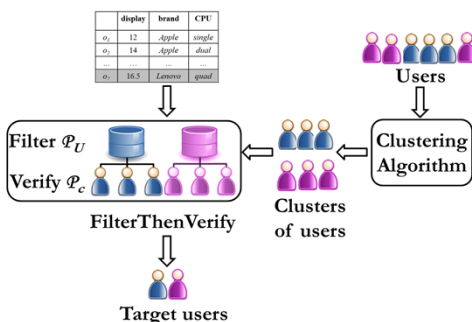


- Theorem 1: $\mathcal{P}_U \supseteq \mathcal{P}_c$
- Lemma 1: \mathcal{P}_c w.r.t. $O = \mathcal{P}_c$ w.r.t. \mathcal{P}_U
- Recall & precision: 100%



- Which users share preferences?
 - Cluster users based on preferences
- No prior study on clustering for partial orders
 - Define similarity functions w.r.t. partial orders

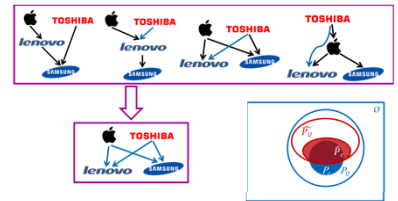
System Architecture



Approx. Common Preference Tuples

Preferences can be diverse

- Tiny clusters

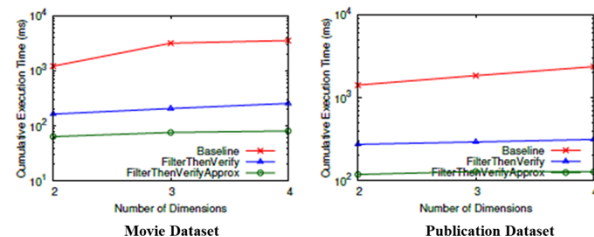
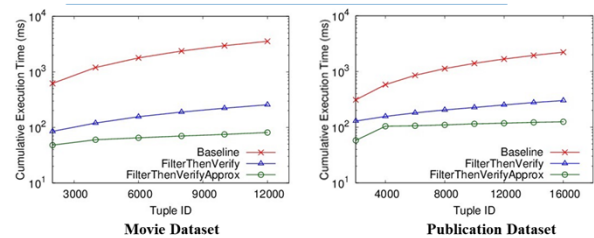


Relax idea of common preference tuple

- Preference polling

Experimental Evaluation

- Movie Dataset: 12,749 movies: joined Netflix dataset with data from IMDB
- Publication Dataset: 17,598 publications: ACM Digital Library



Dataset	$h = 0.70$			$h = 0.55$		
	Precision	Recall	F-measure	Precision	Recall	F-measure
Movie	100	95.43	97.67	99.99	90.46	94.99
Publication	100	96.59	98.27	100	95.13	97.51

