
QUERY AWARE DATABASE TUNING SYSTEM WITH DEEP REINFORCEMENT LEARNING

KNOB TUNING

- **Knobs are parameters of database configuration**
- **Knob tuning aims to achieve optimal configuration for performance**
 - **High throughput and low latency**
 - **Hybrid transaction/analytical processing(HTAP)**

BACKGROUND

- **Knob tuning is NP-hard, database usually have hundreds of knobs:**
 - **MySQL: 215**
 - **PostgreSQL: 247**
 - **MongoDB: 132**
- **Existing methods have limitations**

PRIOR WORKS

➤ **BestConfig**

➤ **OtterTune**

➤ **CDBTune**

BESTCONFIG

- **Basic Idea: Use a heuristic method to search for the optimal configuration from the history**
 - **But: may NOT find good knob values if there is no similar configuration in the history**
 - **Can't guarantee a systematically optimal configuration**
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OTTERTUNE

- **Basic Idea: Find optimal configuration by learning DBA's experience from historical data through Machine Learning**
 - **But: A large number of high-quality training data(DBA experience data), which is hard to obtain, is necessary for a well-performing model**
 - **Hard to realize**
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CDBTUNE

- **Basic Idea: Use deep reinforcement learning (DRL) to tune the database by using a try-and-error strategy**
 - **But:**
 - **Time-Consuming: Run a SQL query workload multiple times for evaluation**
 - **Coarse-grained only: e.g. read-only/write-only/read-write workload**
 - **Pretrained-model: Based on reconfiguring actions**
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STATE OF ART

- **Three granularities: query-level/workload-level/cluster-level**
- **Easy to realize: evaluated under PostgreSQL/MySQL/MongoDB**
- **High performance: outperform state-of-art tuning methods before**

QTune: A Query-Aware Database Tuning System with Deep Reinforcement Learning

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DATASET FEATURIZATION

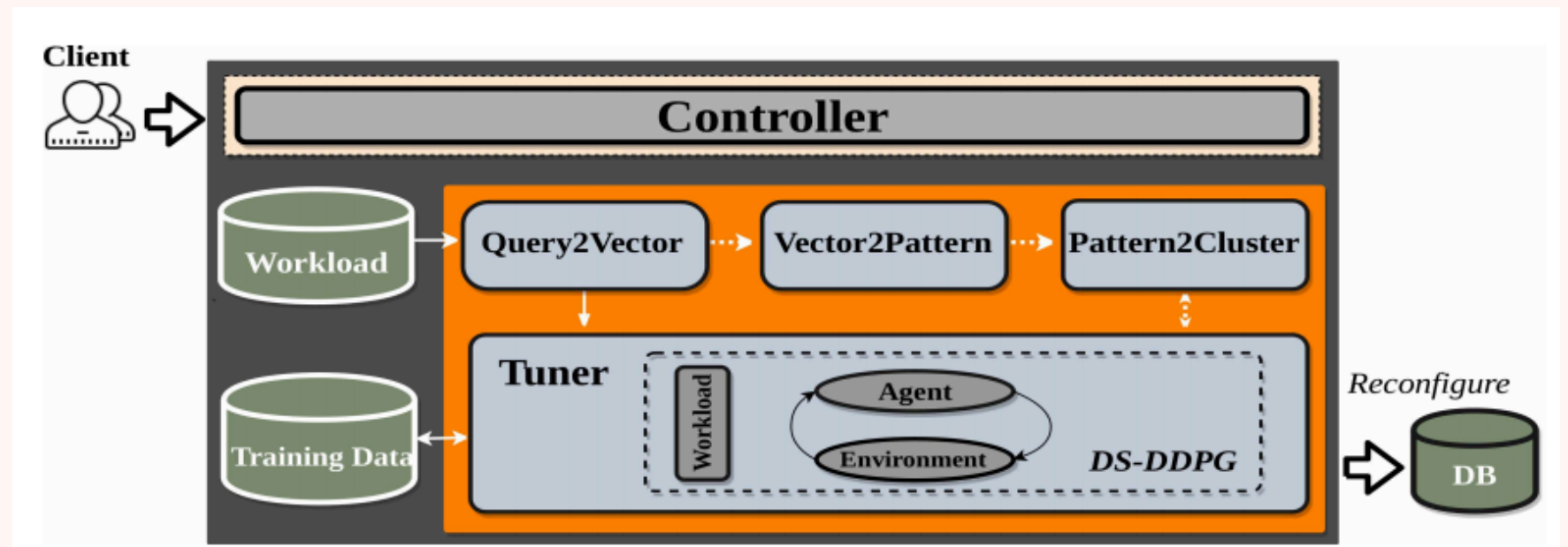
- **Featurize SQL queries**
 - **Considering rich query features:**
 - **Query type**
 - **Tables**
 - **Query cost**
 - **Output a vector**
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MODEL

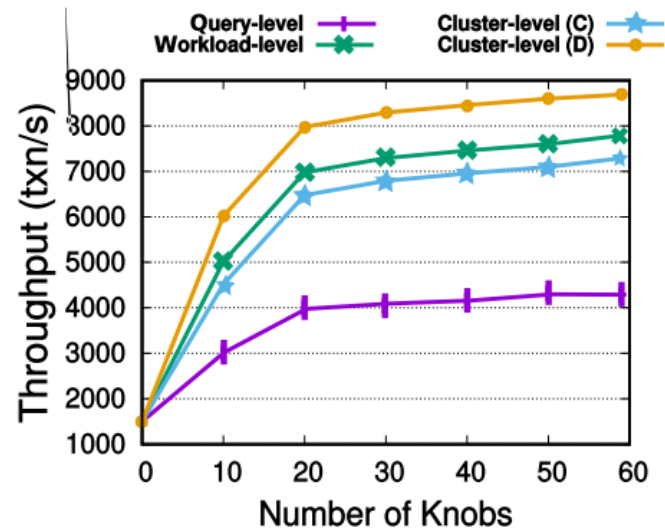
- **A Double-State Deep Deterministic Policy Gradient(DS-DDPG) Model**
 - **Using actor-critic networks**
 - **A DS-DDPG Model embeds the query features and utilizes the actor-critic algorithm to learn the relations among queries, database state and configurations to tune database configurations**
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OVERVIEW

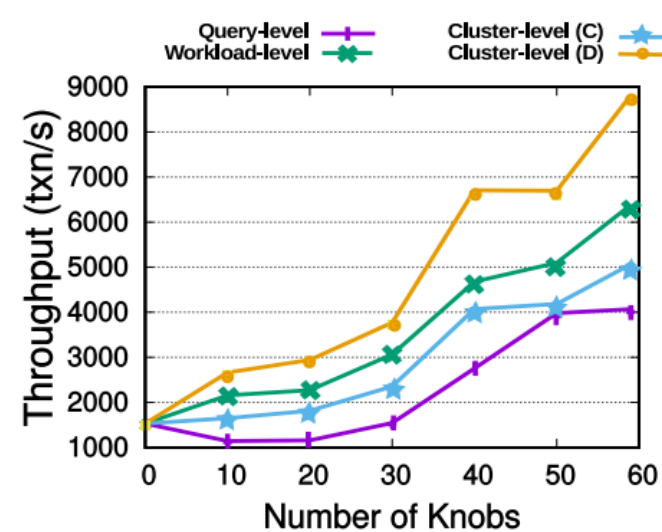
- Query2Vector
- Vector2Pattern
- Pattern2Cluster
- Tuner



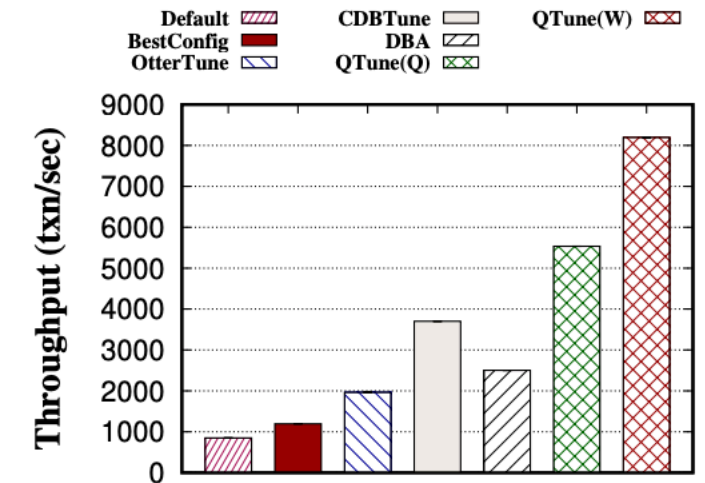
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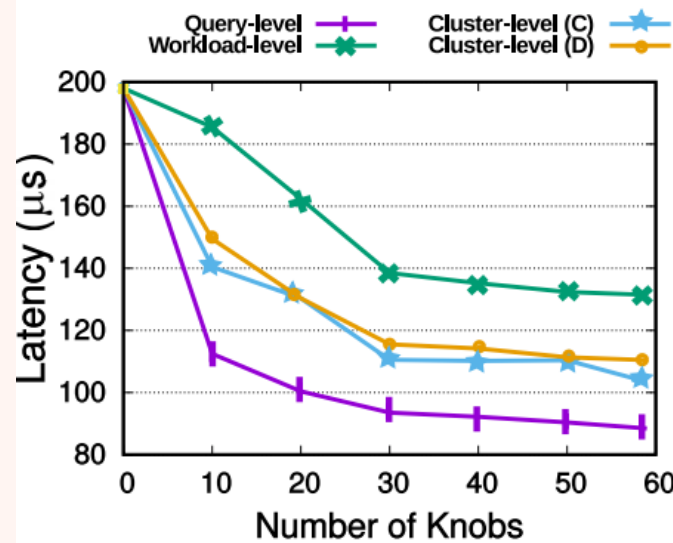
(a) IF-Throughput



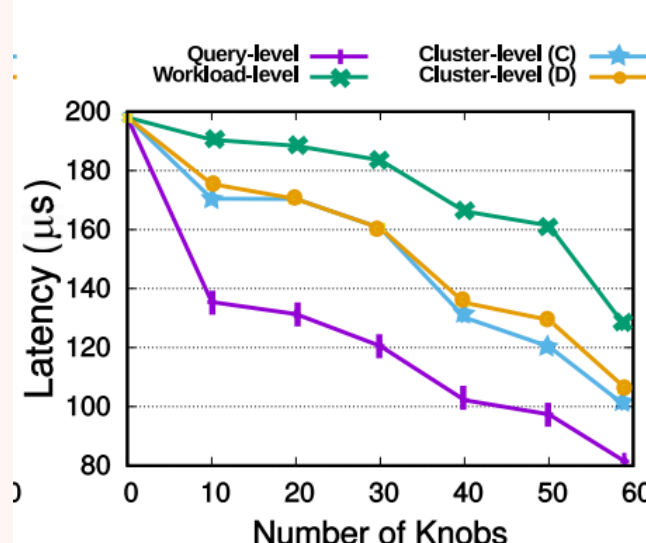
(b) RC-Throughput



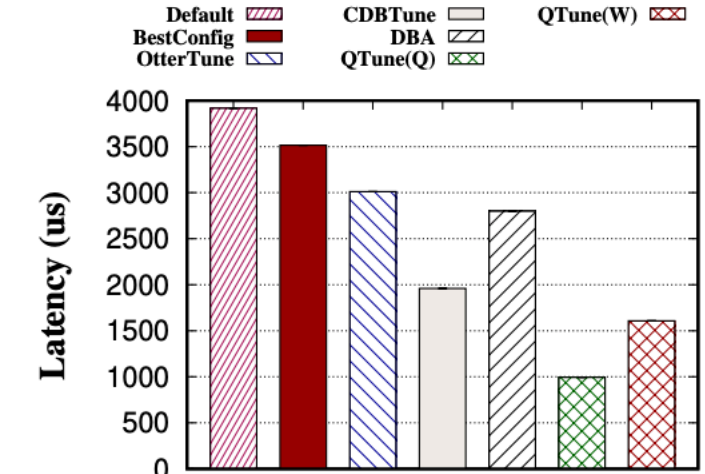
(a) Sysbench (RW)



(c) IF-Latency



(d) RC-Latency



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THANK YOU
