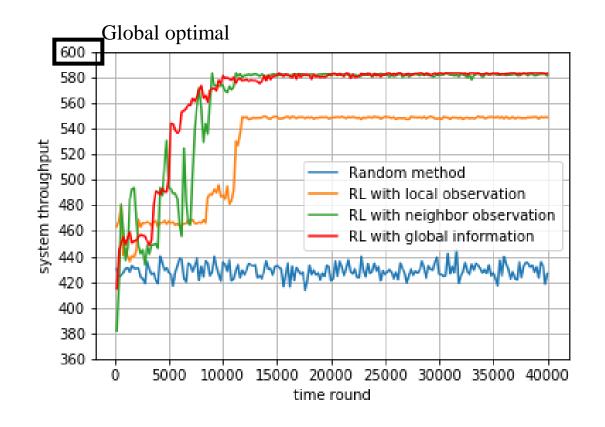
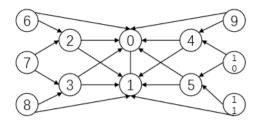
Enlarge Topology with Neighbor Information

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Previous Network with Neighboring Information

• Network with 12 nodes, 21 edges, 10 flows.





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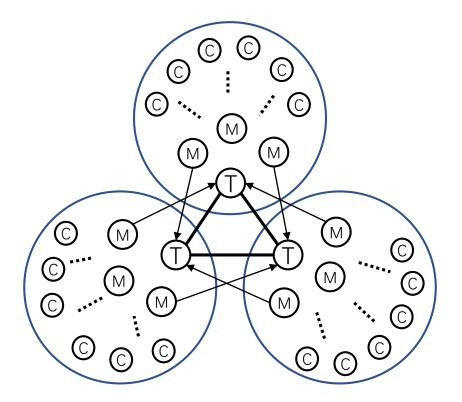
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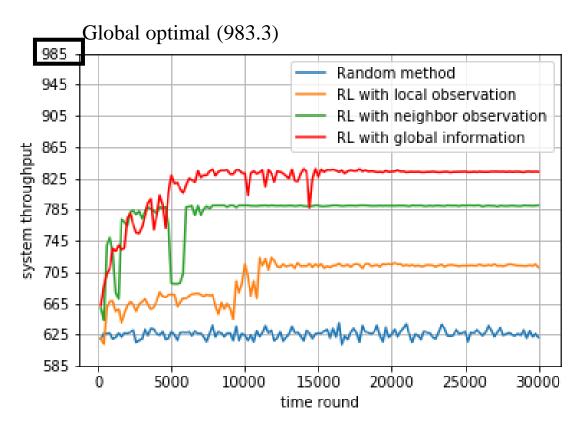
• Simple network environment neighboring information may be enough to show the global situations.

Enlarge Network

- Network with 30 nodes, 51 links (9 peer links, 42 customer-provider links), and 15 flows across three regions.
- Ensure that every node has at least 2 neighbors as potential next hops.



Experiment Results



RL with global information reaches a state with system throughput value 833.3 Improvement 33.3%

RL with neighbor observation reaches a state with system throughput value 790.0 Improvement 26.4%

RL with local observation reaches a state with system throughput value 714.0 Improvement 14.3%

• When network becomes larger and more flows are injected, it becomes harder to

get experiences with high system throughput.

e.g. Only a few joint actions in 50000 rounds using Random can reach system throughput above 900

