End to end optimization for data science in the wild

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Summary. Our work focuses on minimizing the cost of developing machine learning solutions (Exploratory (**EML**) or Automated (**AutoML**) Machine Learning). We can minimize cost by 1) optimizing the execution plan 2) select which solutions are the most promising. Our results show that by leveraging reuse, equivalence, and pipeline selection techniques to achieve up to 10× more cost-effective ML development

Minimizing Cost

We can formulate the previous goals as optimization problems:

1. (**optimal plan**) Given a set of pipelines minimize their execution cost by exploiting reuse and equivalence

   Sub-problem: (**Materialization**) after each execution of a pipeline select which results to store

2. (**Pipeline Selection**) Given a set of pipelines find the set of pipelines that maximize quality and minimize cost

   Sub-problem: (**Quality-Cost Estimation**) given a set of pipeline use Historical knowledge to estimate their expected quality and cost

A Novel Pipeline Representation

```
t0 data = load('filename')
t1 train, test = sk.model_selection.split(data)
t2 train_s = sk.Scaler.fit_transform(train)
t3 test_s = sk.Scaler.transform(test)
t4 sk.RandomForest.fit(train_s)
t5 yhat_train = sk.RandomForest.predict(train_s)
t6 yhat_test = sk.RandomForest.predict(test_s)
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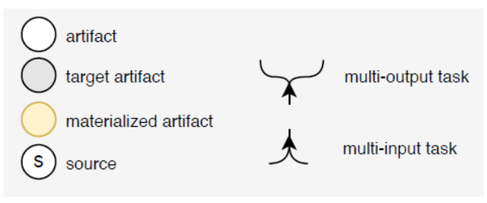
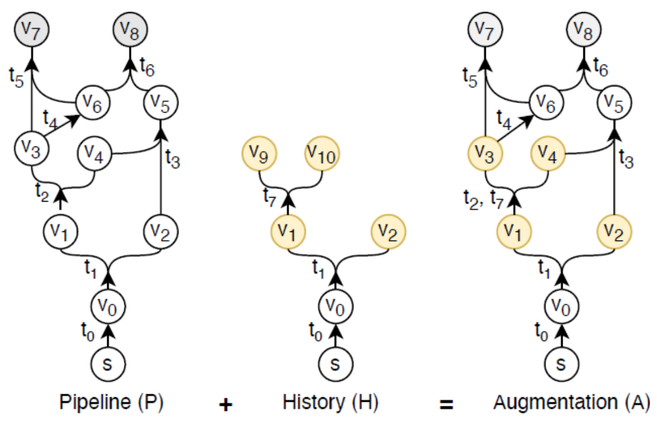
(a) ML pipeline code





(b) Pipeline, history, and augmentation, represented as hypergraphs

Our Approach

Given a set of pipelines, CAPS:

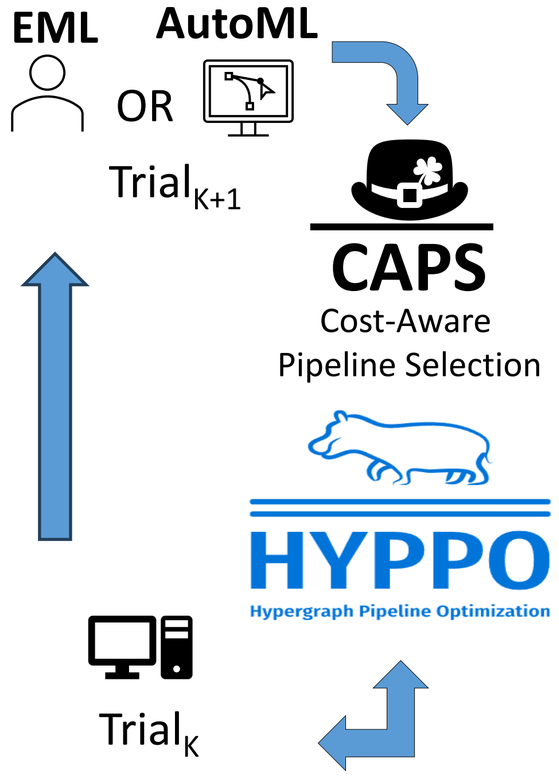
(a) **estimates** the **cost** and **performance** of unseen pipelines

(b) selects a set of pipelines with the best **trade-off** between quality and cost

Given a pipeline code, HYPPO:

(a) searches for an **optimized execution plan**

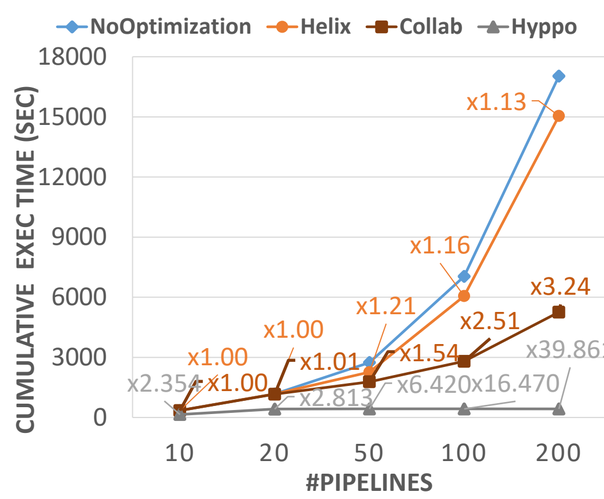
(b) decides what artifacts to **materialize**



Evaluation (Optimal Plan)

Method	None	Sharing	Reuse	Materialization	Equivalence
NoOptimization	○				
Sharing		○			
Helix [VLDB'18]		○	○	◗	
Collab [SIGMOD'20]		○	◗	○	
HYPPO[ICDE'24]		○	○	○	○

HIGGS



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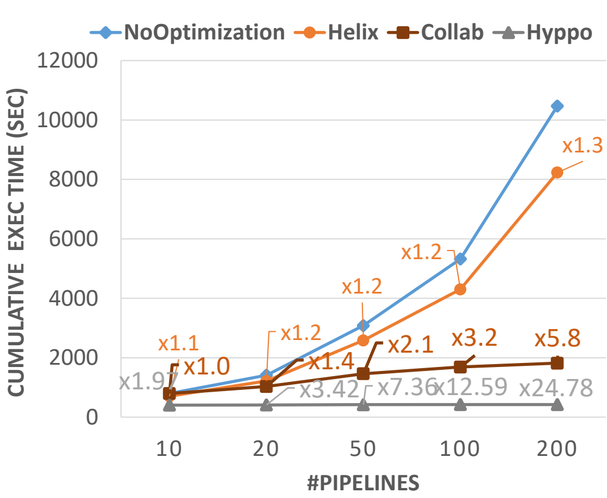
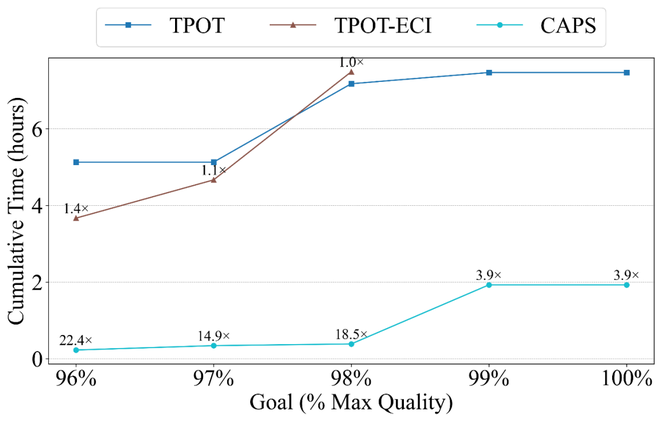


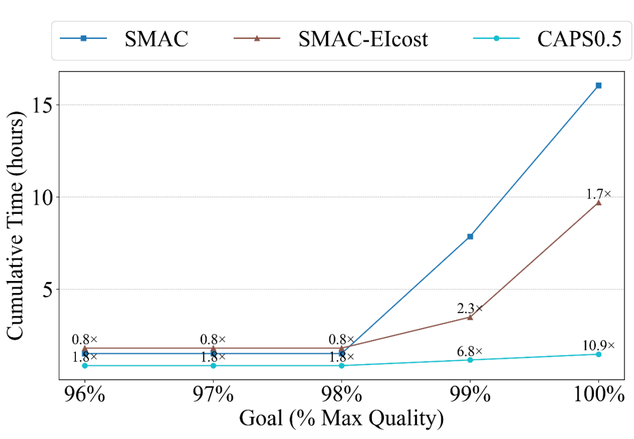
Evaluation (Pipeline Selection)

Method	Search Strategy	Quality Estimation	Cost Estimation
TPOT	Genetic	None	None
SMAC	Bayesian	EI (Model)	None
TPOT_ECI [MLsys'21]	Genetic	History	History
SMAC_EIperSec [NIPS'12]	Bayesian	EI (Model)	Model
Our Approach (CAPS)	Genetic or Bayesian	Model or History	History or Meta learning

Genetic search



Bayesian Search



Contributions

[ICDE'24] HYPPO: Using Equivalences to Optimize Pipelines in Exploratory Machine Learning

A novel representation for ML pipelines

An optimization and materialization algorithm

[EDBT'25] HYPPO: Efficient Discovery and Execution of Data Science Pipelines in Collaborative Environments

An API for retrieving and optimizing pipelines

[TBS] CAPS: Cost-Awareness ML Pipeline Selection

A pipeline selection algorithm

A novel cost estimator for ML pipelines

HYPPO: https://github.com/akontaxakis/HYPPO

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