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## Thesis Committee Meeting

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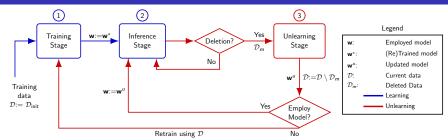
### Overview

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## **Published Articles**

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## Machine Unlearning



### Unlearning

Task of updating a ML model after partial deletion of training data

Qualities of an approximate unlearning method:

- **Certifiability**: How similar are **w**<sup>u</sup> and **w**\*?
- Effectiveness: How well does w<sup>u</sup> perform?
- Efficiency: How much time to produce w<sup>u</sup>?

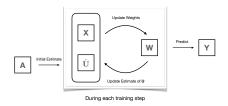
# Experimental Setup

Item	Values		
Parameters	Noise $(\sigma)$ & Efficiency $( au)$		
Metrics	AccDis, AccErr & Speedup( $ imes$ )		
Methods	Influence, Fisher & DeltaGrad		
	Metric	Quality	
	AccDis $\uparrow$	Certifiability↓	
	$\mathtt{AccErr} \uparrow$	Effectiveness	
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Parameter	Effect		
$ au\uparrow$	Efficiency↑ Certifiability↓ Effectiveness↓		
$\sigma \!\! \uparrow$	Certifiability↑ Effectiveness↓		

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# Scaling Node Classification [4]



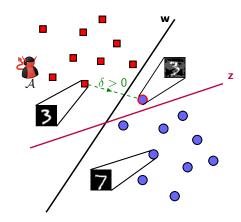
- Improves running time of node classification method JANE [5]
- Developed mini-batching training algorithm to improve GPU utilization
- Scaled experiments to graphs with more than a million nodes

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# Robustness of Sketched Linear Classifiers [1]

- w: Linear Classifier
- z: WM-SKETCH Classifier [7]
- A: Adversary
- δ: FGSM perturbation



# Robustness of Sketched Linear Classifiers [1]

 $\ensuremath{\mathcal{A}}$  crafts a perturbation based on its Knowledge and Observability of the target.

- Knowledge: Is the target a WM-SKETCH?
- Observability: Does A have access to count sketch R?

$\overline{\mathcal{A}}$	Knowledge	Observability
White-Box	✓	✓
Grey-Box	✓	X
Black-Box	X	X

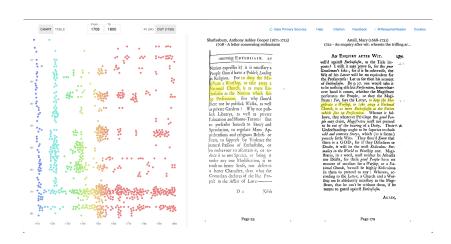
### Research Question

How does the performance of a given  $WM\mbox{-}S\kappa\mbox{E}\tau\mbox{C}\mbox{H}$  worsen in the presence of these adversaries?

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## Reception Reader Interface



### Historical Text Reuse

- 250k scanned English documents from 18th century
- Fuzzy string matching using BLAST to find reuses
- De-fragmenting and clustering of reuse pairs
- Front-end for navigation

## In Progress

- Ost-Aware Retraining for Machine Learning
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  - Submitted pre-print to Arxiv [2]
  - Re-submitted to Knowledge-Based Systems Journal
- Data Science Pipeline for Historical Text Reuse
  Manuscript under preparation
  Planned submission to VLDB 2024 Scalable Data Science track
- Scalable Constraint-Based Diversity Sampling
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  Plan to develop approximate distributed sampling algorithm

# Cost-Aware Retraining for ML

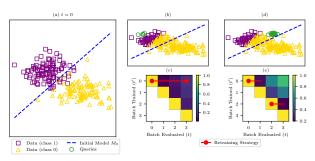
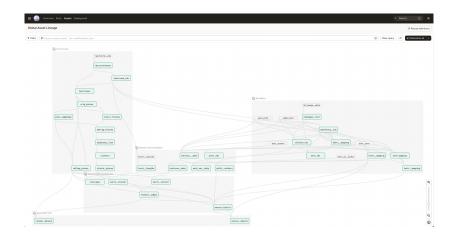


Figure: Example 'scenario. (a) Initial data and model  $M_0$ . (b) Queries are far from misclassification. (d) Queries are closer to misclassifications. (c) and (e): Cost matrix and Oracle retraining strategies with retraining cost fixed to  $\kappa=1$  for (b) and (d) respectively.

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# Dagster ETL pipeline



## **Experiments**

- Benchmarking query performance on
  - Spark
  - MariaDB Aria
  - MariaDB Columnstore
- Evaluating different metrics
  - Query Latency
  - Storage size
  - Cost in CSC BU
- Different levels of normalisation

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# Scaling up Fair-MMD

### Completed

- Reimplementation of FMMD-S algorithm from [8]
- Parallelizes sections of code and efficient memory management
- 100× speedup on largest experiment from [8]
- Scaled up to 4M points dataset and 3000 samples with edge-case constraints

### Next Steps

- Distributed algorithm with gurantees
- Approximate distance measures
- Heuristic based ILP solver

# Discipline Specific Credits

### Completed Credits

29/30 credits completed excluding PhD Seminar (3-5 credits)

#### Completed Courses:

- Network Analysis 5cr
- Security and Privacy in ML 5cr
- Advanced Latex Course 5cr
- Probabilistic Graphical Models 5cr
- Advanced Course in Machine Learning 5cr
- Transaction Management and Query Optimization 5cr
- Research Ethics 2 cr

### Transferrable Skills

#### Completed Courses 3cr:

- Scientific Writing 2cr
- Principles of Peer Review 1cr

#### Planned Credits 7cr:

- Conference Presentation 2cr
- Poster Presentation and Data Visualization 2cr
- International Conference participation 2cr
- Grant Writing 1cr

### Conferences

- VLDB 2022: Participation
- CIKM 2022: Presentation (virtual)
- MLSys 2023: Participation
- Al Day 2022: Poster Presentation
- Meaning of Meaning Workshop 2023: Presentation

# Teaching and Supervision

- TA: Netowork Analysis 2023
- Master Thesis Instruction: Anniina R Sainio (Completed)
- Master Thesis Instruction: Andreas Maniatas (Ongoing)

## Plans for 2023-2024

- Research
  - Present Nov 2023: Submit "Data Science Pipeline for Historical Text Reuse" to VLDB
  - Jan Mar 2024: Complete scalable sampling project
- Studies
  - Complete remaining transferrable course credits
  - Finalize all credits with Pirio
- Thesis
  - Mar 2024 May 2024: Thesis Writing
  - June 2024: Pre-examination

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