SCALABLE PROCESSING OF MOVING FLOCK PATTERNS

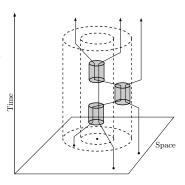
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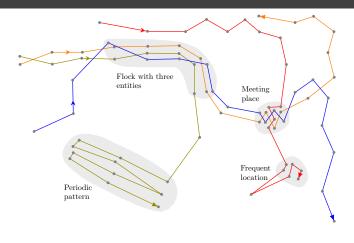
LARGE TRAJECTORY DATABASES

- A spatial trajectory is a trace in time generated by a moving entity in a geographical space.
- \blacksquare i.e. $p_1 \rightarrow p_2 \rightarrow \cdots \rightarrow p_n$
- A trajectory is stored as a time-ordered sequence of points, $p_i = (x, y, t)$ (spatial coordinate + time stamp).



(Shoval, 2017)

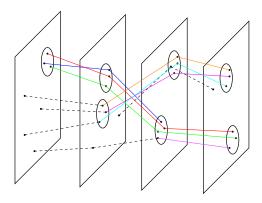
MOVEMENT PATTERNS



(Gudmundsson, et al. 2008)

• i.e. convoys, moving clusters, swarms, gatherings, **flocks**, ...

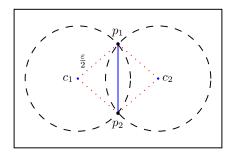
FLOCKS



- ullet arepsilon: Diameter of the circle which contains all the objects.
- \blacksquare μ : Minimum number of objects.
- lacksquare δ : Minimum time interval the objects travel 'together'.

Basic Flock Evaluation algorithm

- Vieira, et al. 2009.
- The first polynomial-time solution for determining disk locations.
- Under fixed time duration it has polynomial time complexity $O(\delta|\tau|^{(2\delta)+1})$



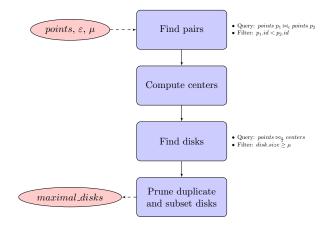
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■ Two main parts:

- In the spatial domain it finds maximal disks at each time instant.
- ► In the temporal domain it joins consecutive times to match set of maximal disks.

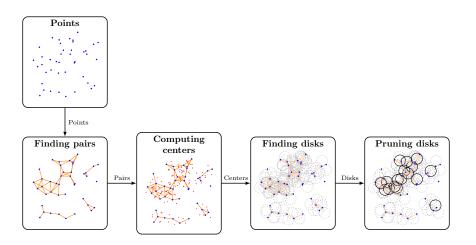
ON THE SPATIAL DOMAIN

■ BFE overview...



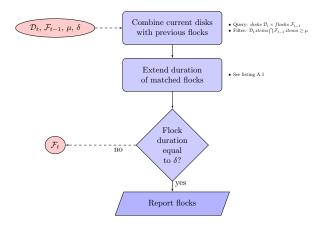
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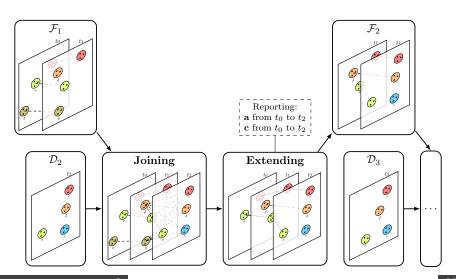
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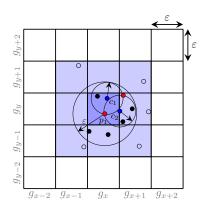


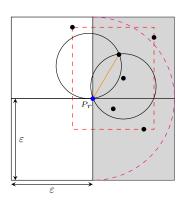
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PSI ALGORITHM





(Vieira, et al. 2009)

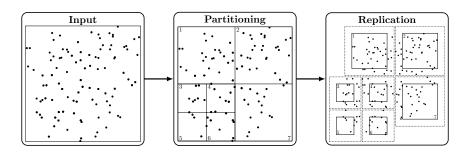
(Tanaka, et al. 2016)

CHALLENGES AND CONTRIBUTIONS

- High complexity limits scalability.
- Large datasets with dense clusters of moving entities per time instant significantly impact performance.
- Specifically,
 - identifying maximal disks is hindered by the extensive number of candidates requiring pruning.
 - when parallelizing, we must address moving flocks that traverse contiguous partitions.
- We propose a parallel and scalable solution for both spatial and temporal domains.

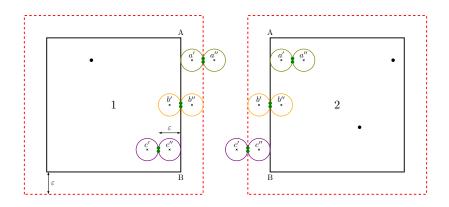
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■ Partitioning strategy...



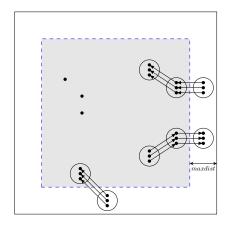
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■ Handling duplication...

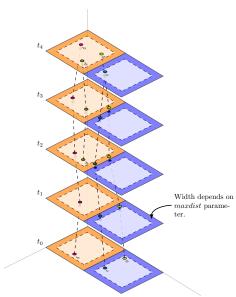


ON THE TEMPORAL DOMAIN

■ We introduce the *maxdist* parameter to define an area were we have to track **crossing partial flocks** (CPFs)...



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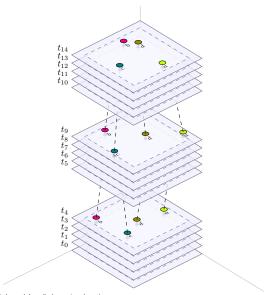


*a,b,c and d are flocks moving along time.

ON THE TEMPORA DOMAIN

- Discovered flocks inside the safe area are ready to be reported.
- CPFs require post-processing. We propose four alternative:
 - ▶ Master
 - ► By-Level
 - ► Least Common Ancestor (LCA)
 - Cube-based

ON THE TEMPORAL DOMAIN



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DATASETS

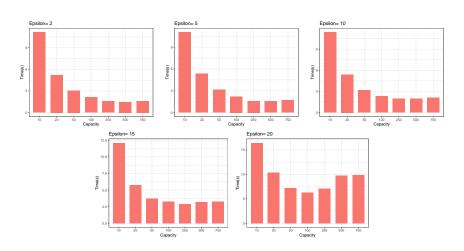
| | Number of | Total number | Maximum |
|-----------|--------------|--------------|----------------|
| Dataset | Trajectories | of points | Duration (min) |
| Berlin10K | 10000 | 97526 | 10 |
| LA25K | 25000 | 1495637 | 30 |
| LA50K | 50000 | 2993517 | 60 |

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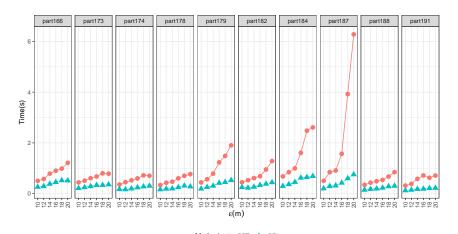
Synthetic datasets [LA50K]



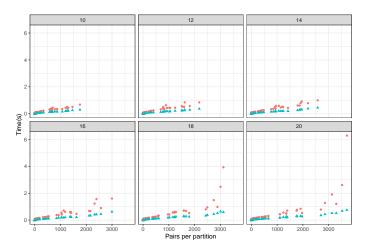
• Optimizing the number of partitions for Phase 1.



- Analyzing most costly partitions.
 - ► Top 10 most costly partitions.

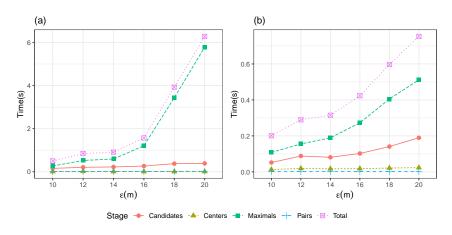


- Analyzing most costly partitions.
 - ► By Pairs density..



Method • BFE A PS

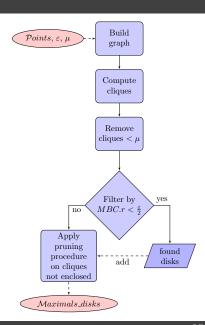
- Analyzing most costly partitions.
 - ▶ By Stages in the most costly partition [(a) BFE (b) PSI].



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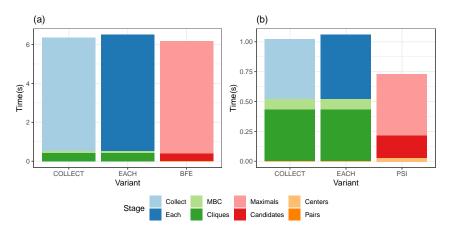
- Maximal clique (MC): Given an undirected graph, a MC is a subset of vertices, each directly connected to every other in the subset, that cannot be expanded by adding additional vertices.
- Minimum Bounding Circle (MBC): Given a set of points in Euclidean space, the MBC is the smallest circle that can enclose all the points.

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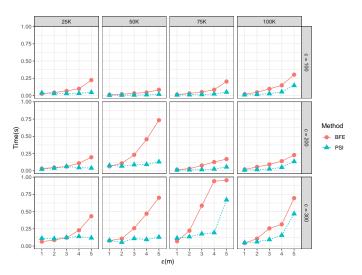


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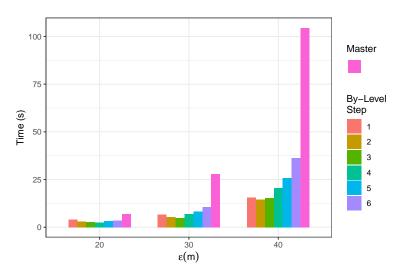
■ Phase 1 variants performance [(a) vs BFE (b) vs PSI].



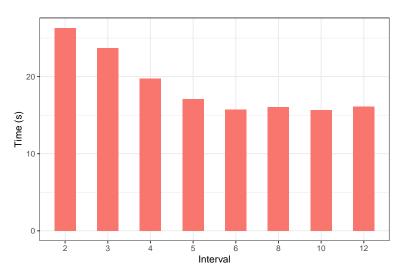
■ Relative performance of Phase 1 using synthetic datasets.



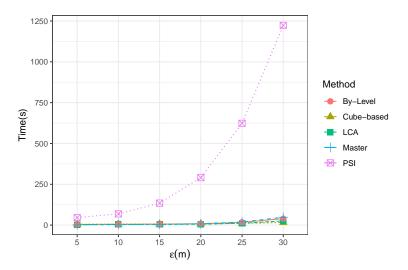
■ Finding best *step* value for By-Level alternative.



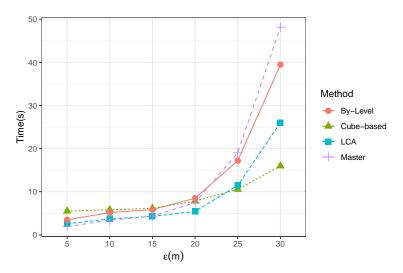
■ Finding best *interval* value for Cube-based alternative.



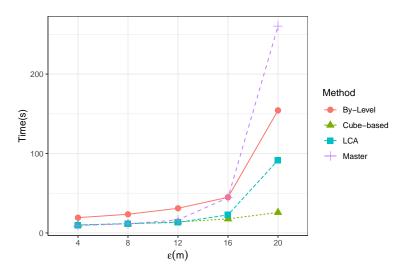
■ Scalable alternatives vs standard PSI.



■ Scalable alternatives in LA25K dataset.



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Thank you!