

Large-Scale Data Management and Analysis for Astronomical Research

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Introduction

Motivation

- Major source of abundant data
 - Business: e-commerce, transaction, stock, ...
 - Science: bioinformatics, simulation
 - Daily life: news, digital camera, etc
- Pressing need for data mining
 - Statistics, Classification , ...
- Scale of data
 - Terabytes or Petabytes of data

We need better analytical tools!

Distributed Computing

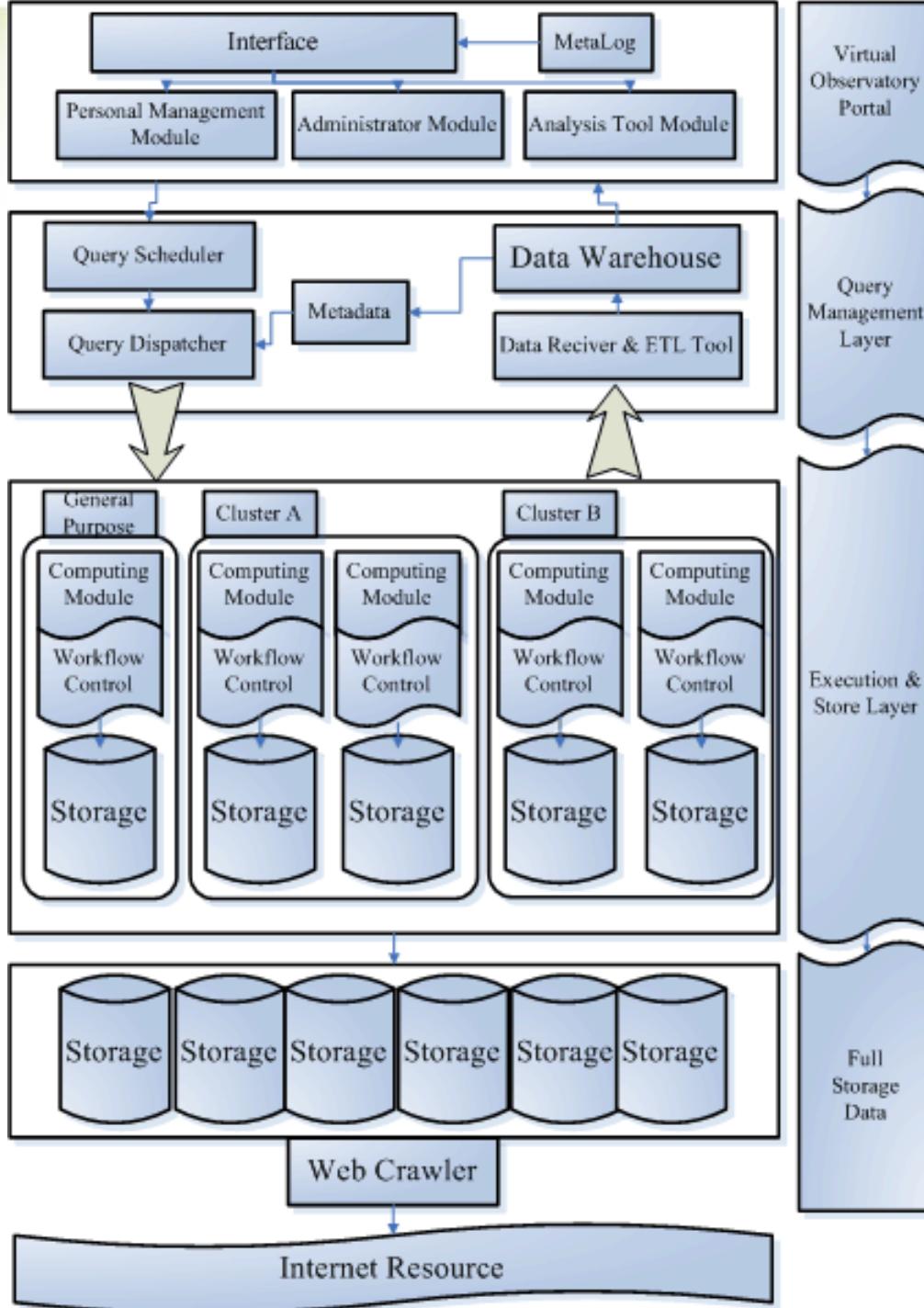
- The “New” Moore’s Law
 - Computers no longer faster, just wider
- Limits of single CPU computing
 - Small memory size
 - Long execution time

We can use parallel computing to accelerate big data analysis!

Objectives

- Applying parallel computing to astronomical research
- Refining existing algorithms for a better performance
- Providing an application template
- Developing management system to maintain large-scale data

Architecture



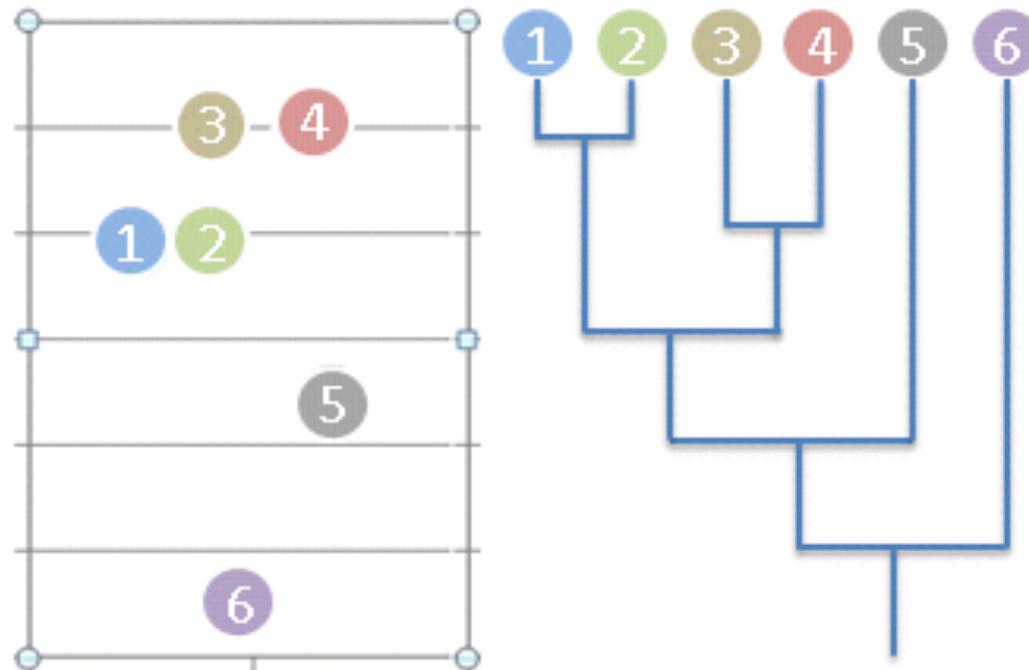
Systems

- PARallel Hierarchical Agglomerative Clustering System (PARHACS)
 - A system with distributed message-passing algorithm to calculate a hierarchical cluster
- SIMilarity Classification System (SIMCS)
 - A decentralized Multiple Classifier System (MCS) framework to support a complex classification procedure using multiple classifiers.
- ASTROnomical Information Management System (ASTROIMS)
 - An integrated interface with multidimensional data-warehouse design for fast data retrieval and management.

Parallel Hierarchical Agglomerative Clustering System

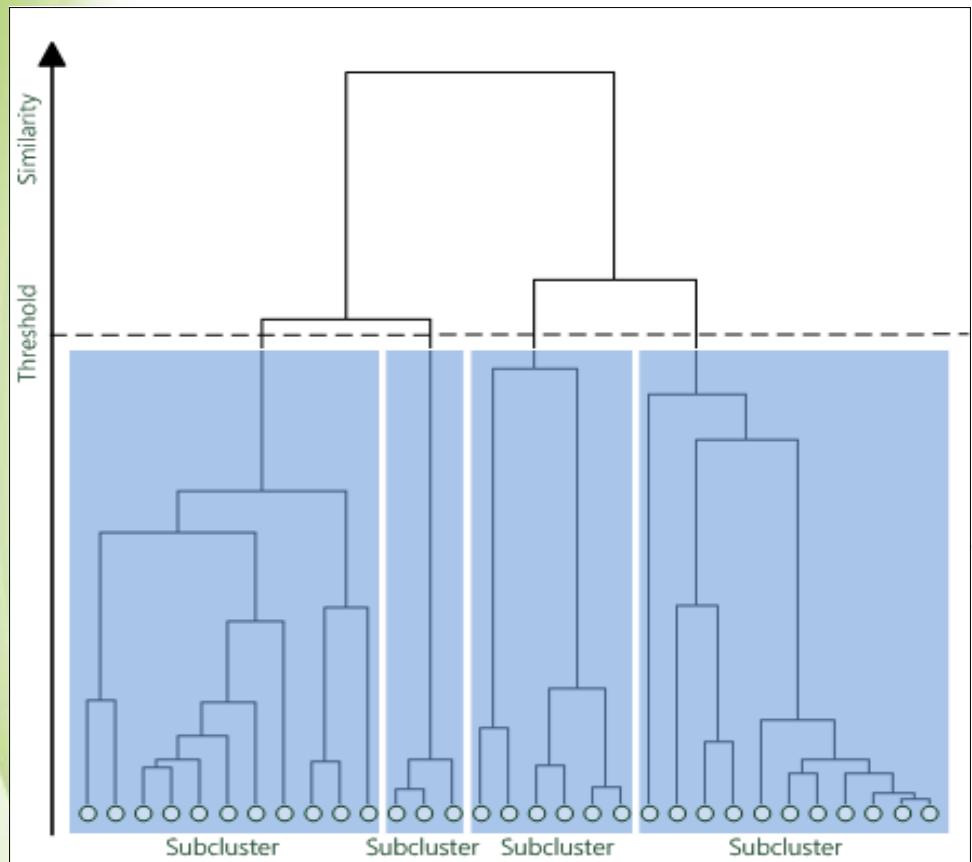
Clustering Algorithms

- Hierarchical clustering
 - Divisive way
 - Agglomerative way



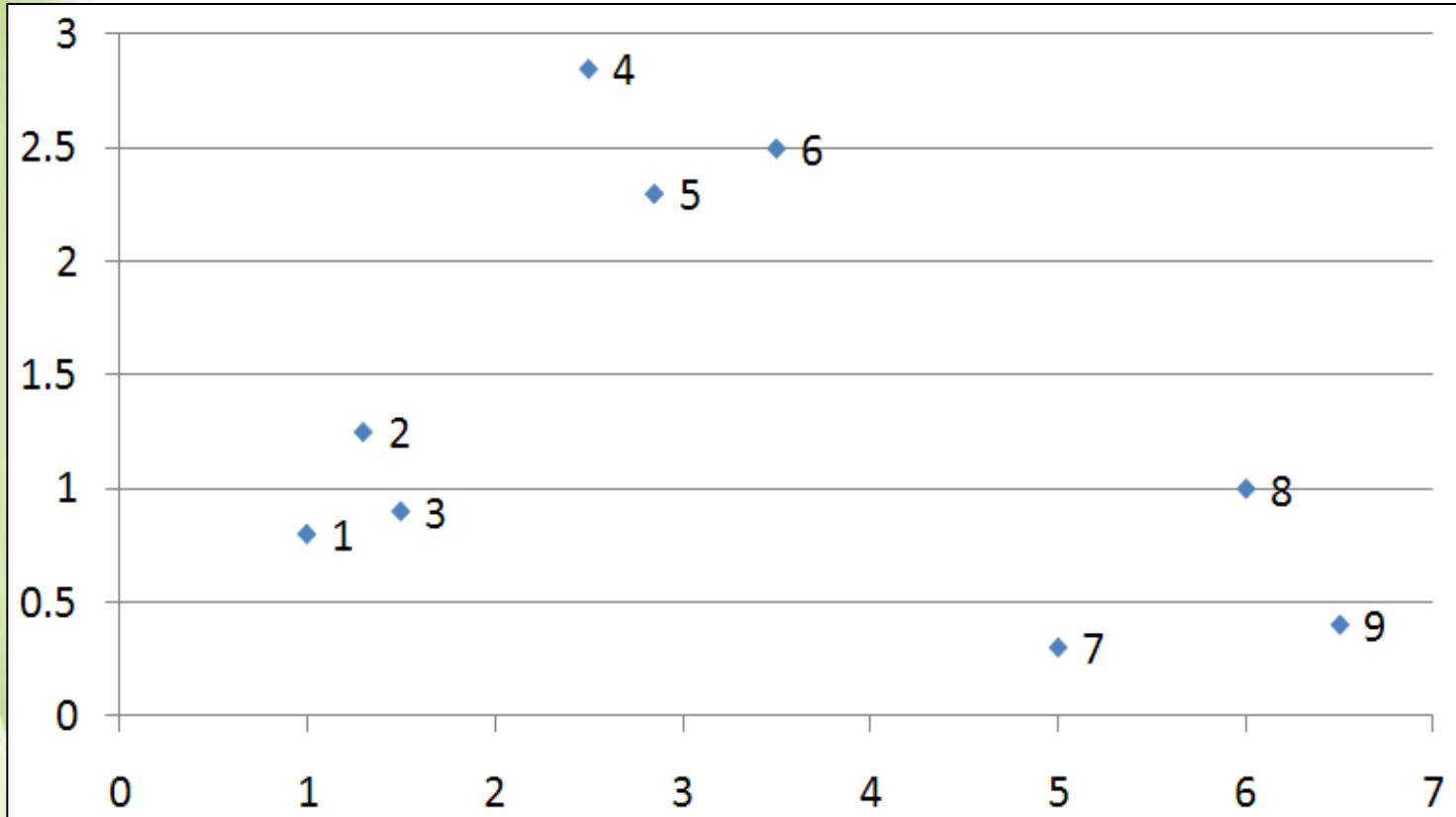
Applying Divide-and-Conquer

- Use **a similarity threshold** to parallelize the clustering phase and then merge to a single hierarchical tree



Example

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
X	1	1.3	1.5	2.5	2.85	3.5	5	6	6.5
Y	0.8	1.25	0.9	2.85	2.3	2.5	0.3	1	0.4



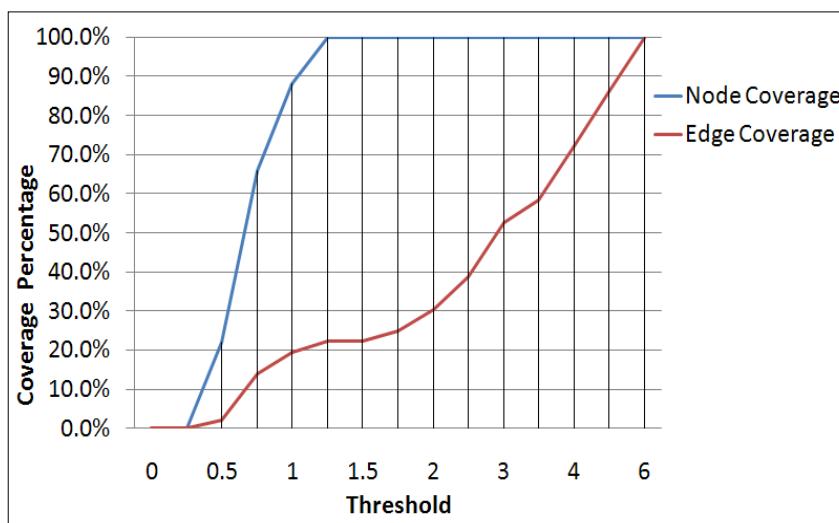
Stage 1

- Parallelism strategy of Computing similarity matrix in parallel
 - Row-based

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Stage 1 (cont)

- Data coverage
 - Node coverage
 - the ratio of data items the threshold can cover.
 - Edge coverage (Set coverage)
 - the ratio of cells in the similarity matrix the threshold can cover.



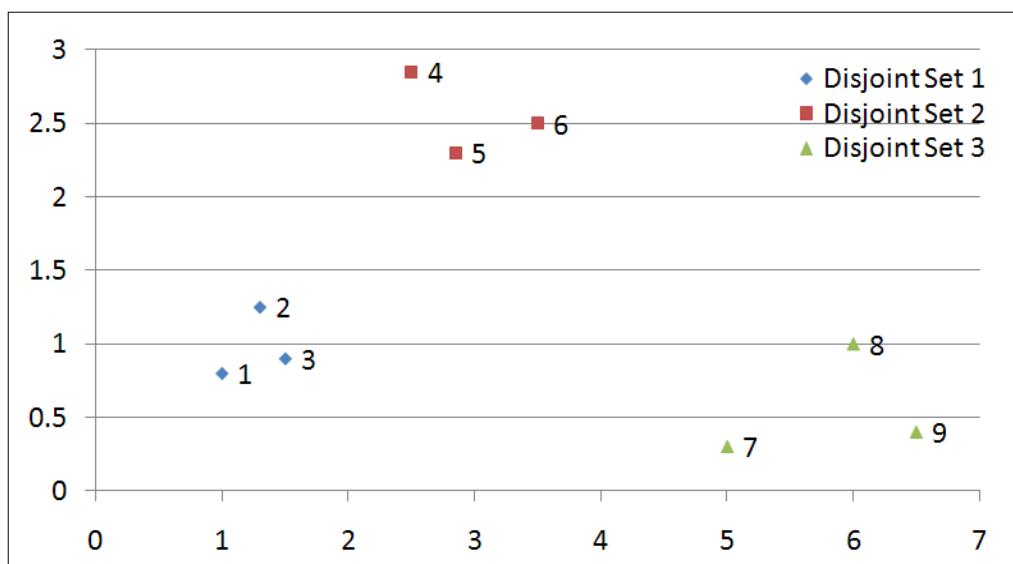
Stage 1 (cont)

- Reduce space cost
 - Assume the threshold is 1.25

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Stage 2

- Using disjoint set algorithm



Stage3

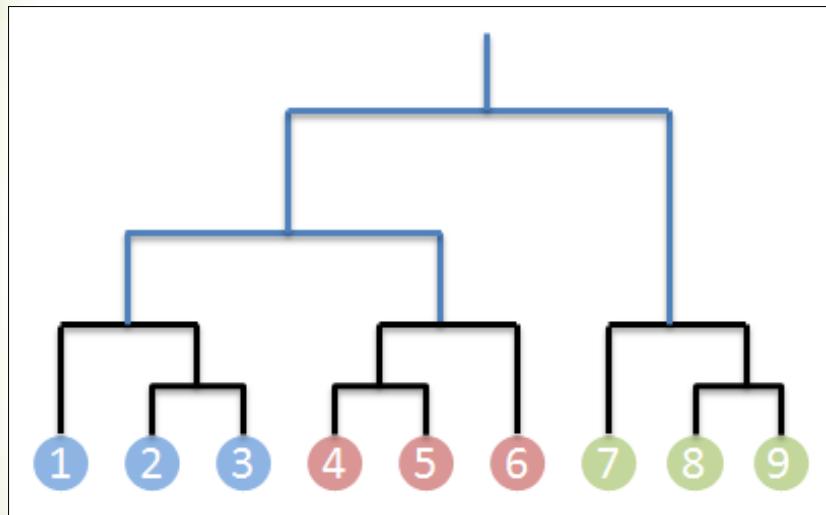
- Similarity of disjoint sets

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- Parallelism strategy
 - Set-based

Stage4

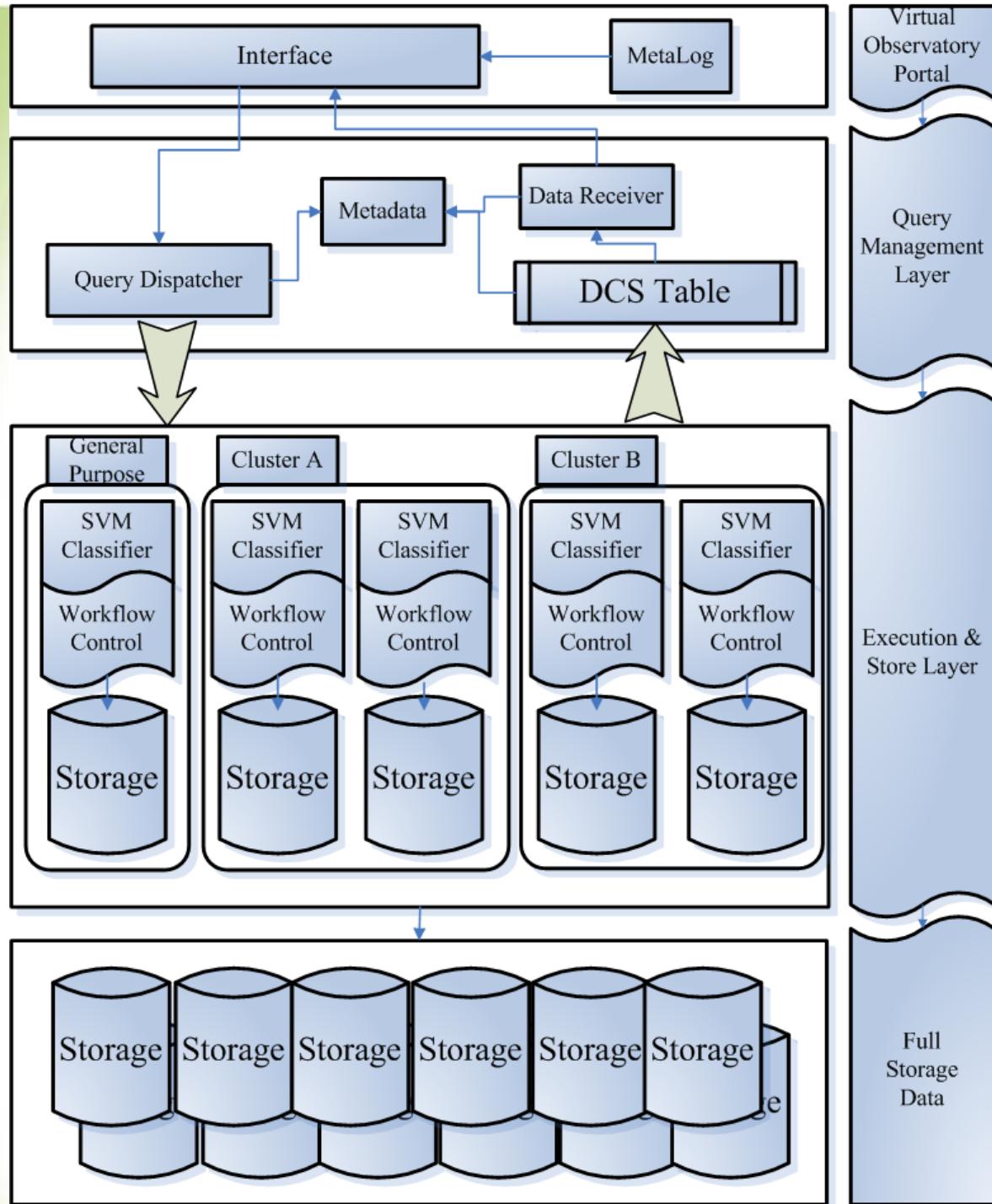
- Clustering of disjoint sets
 - Using the result of stage1 and 2 to clustering lower structure
 - Using the result of stage3 to clustering upper structure



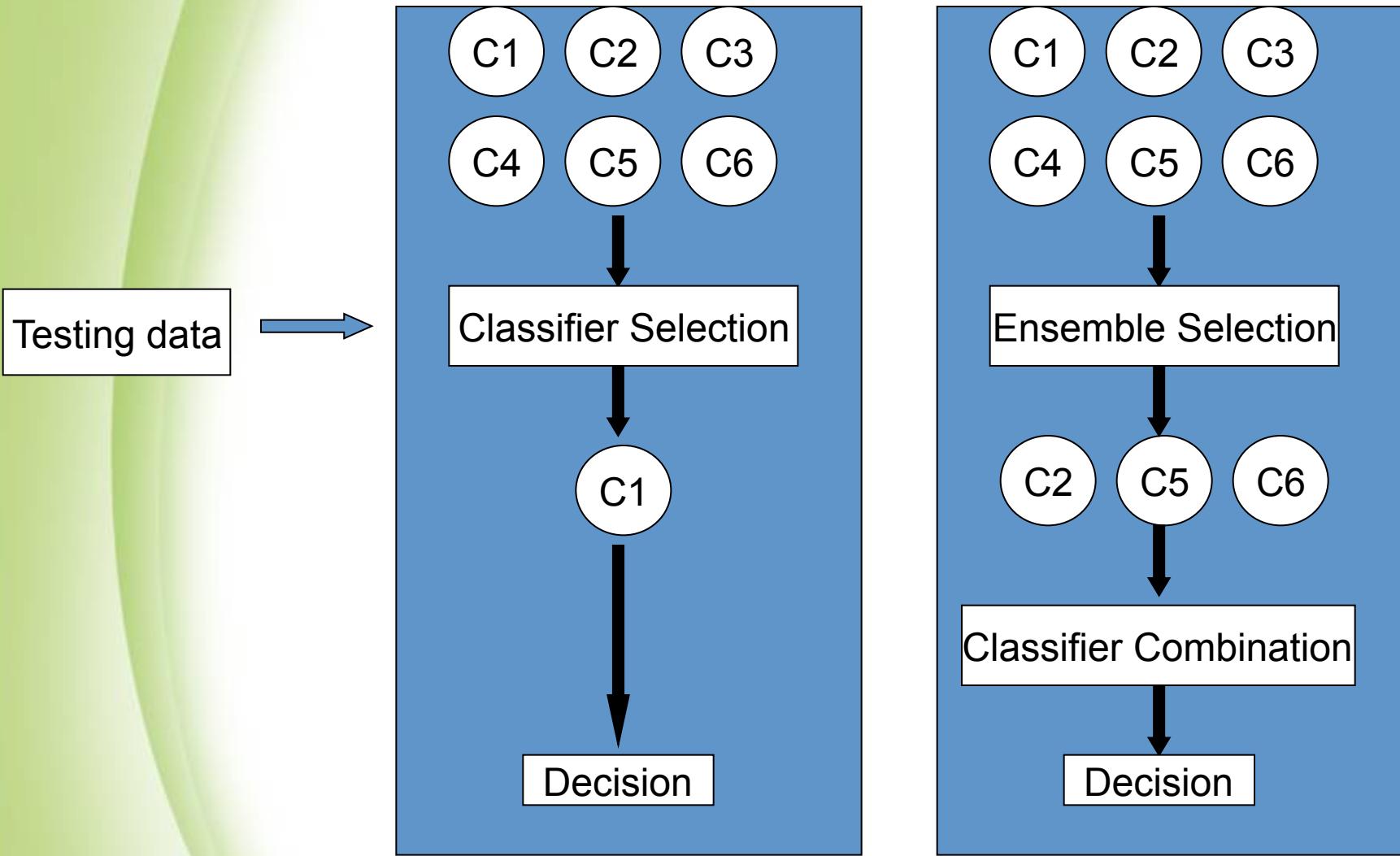
Similarity Classification System

Similarity Classification System

- A decentralized multiple classifier system (MCS) base on SVM and machine learning
- Why SVM
 - Competitive with existing classification methods and relatively easy to use
 - “Predict” which group the new coming data belong to base on the old classified data
 - You don’t need to know the conditions when you are doing classification



Classifier Selection/Combination



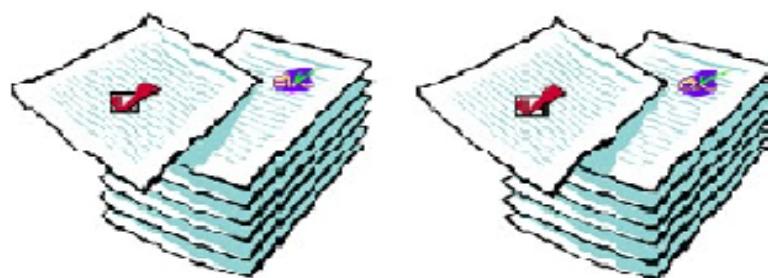
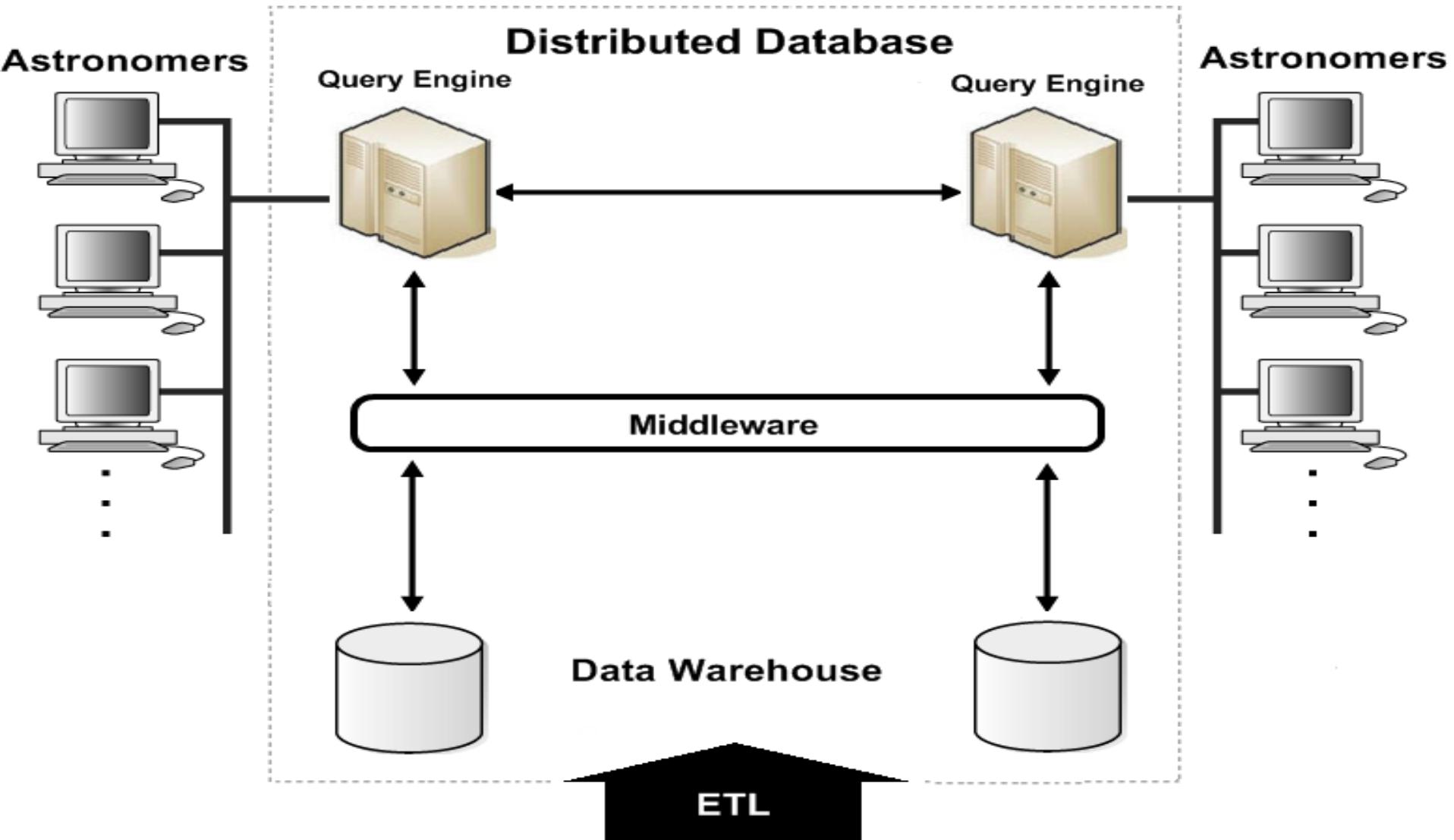
Why Multiple Classifier System

- Multiple Classifier System
 - Divide data into small chunks, and classify the chunks in parallel with multiple similar tools
 - Can deal with large-scale data
 - Can enhance the correctness
 - Can process in parallel

Astronomical Information Management System

Astronomical Information Management System

- Improving data analysis
 - Data Warehouse design
 - New schema for analysis of large amount of astronomical data
- Managing data in grid environments
 - Distributive and algebraic functions
 - Distributed data storage base on data warehouse



Interface Example

TAOS-DB

Area **Observation** **Mask** **Graph**

Ra : : : deg hrs

Dec : : :

Area :

MagR2 ≤

Field Center : RA(deg) Dec(deg)

Star : RA(deg) Dec(deg)

USNO_ID MagR2<=15 MagR2<=10 MagB1 MagR1 MagB2
 MagR2 MagN Plate_1 Plate_2 ArcSec

搜尋

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	一	二	三	四	五	六
1	2	3	4	5	6	
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30				

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Create New Account

Account

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Please use 5 to 12 characters and start with a lowercase. You may use letters, numbers, underscores.

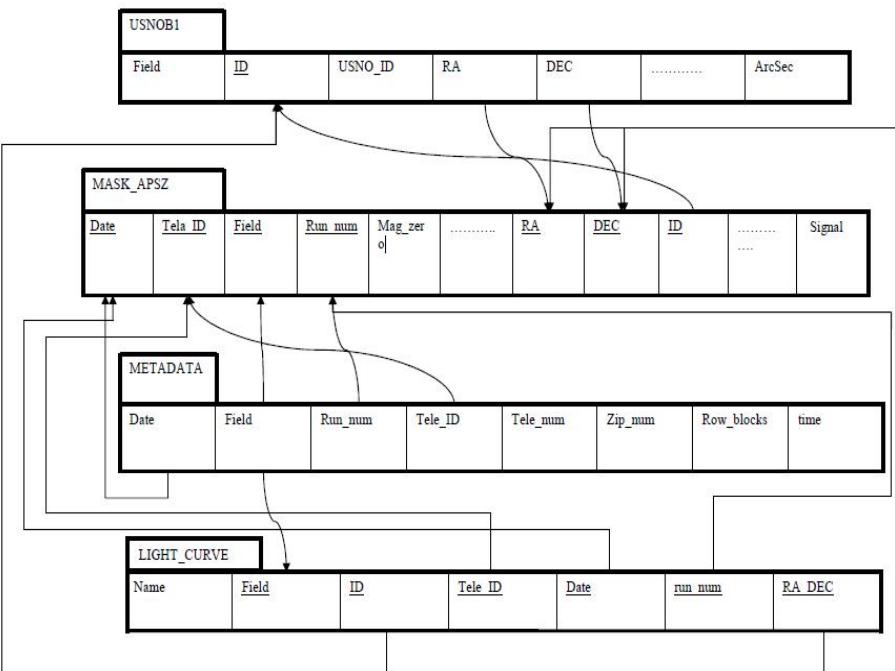
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Confirm Password :
Re-type your password

* means the field is required

submit reset back

Subject Oriented Schema Example



Query

Metadata

ID	X-RA	Opt-Ra	X-DEC	Opt-DEC	Reference

Metadata2

ID	X-ray name	Optical name	Reference

Condition

Optical Info

ID	Trigger Time	T90	Red shift	telescope	Data name

X-ray Info

ID	GRB name	telescope	XT	OT	RT	Red shift	Data name

Data

Optical data

ID	Time	filter	mag	err	...

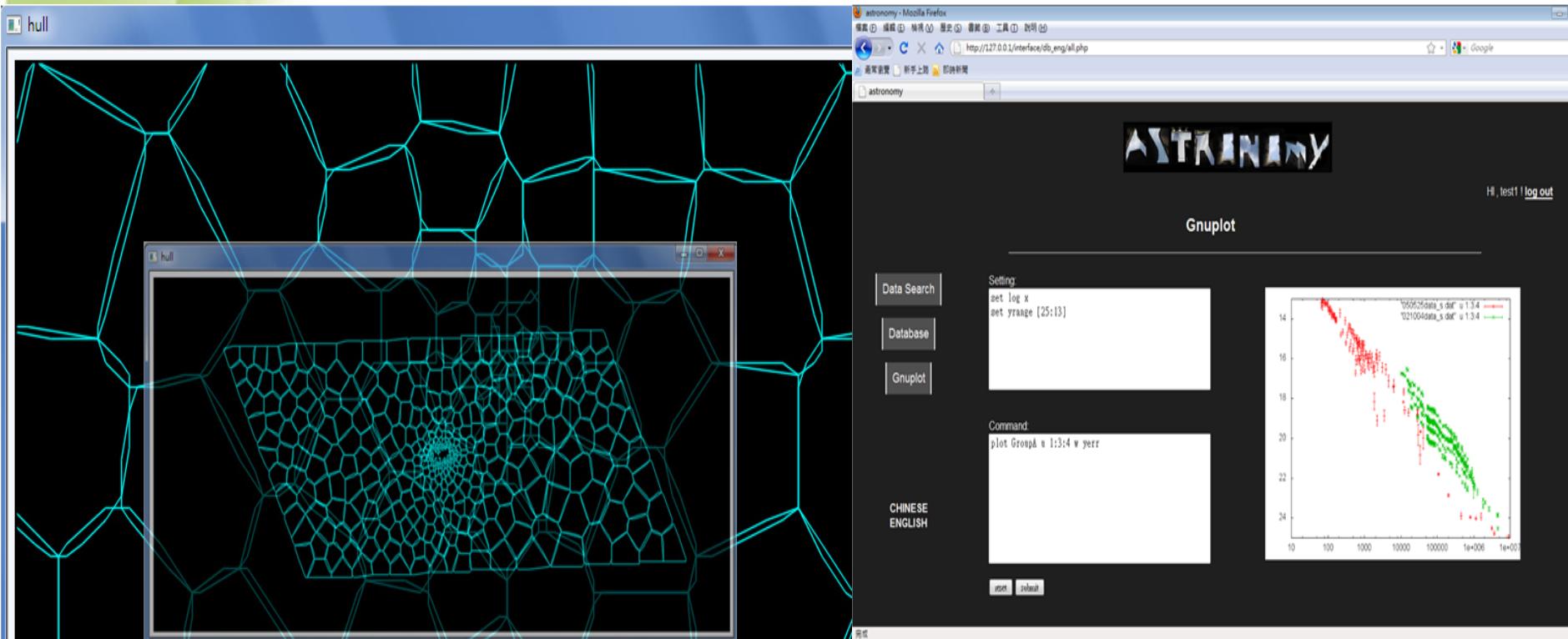
X-ray data

ID	Time	flux	err

Reference

ID	reference

Analysis Tool Module Example



Conclusions

Conclusions

- Apply parallel computing to astronomical research
 - Develop a apply program to parallel computing
- Refine the process of existing algorithms
 - Speed-up execution
 - Save lots of storage space
- Provide a program template
 - Users can rewrite their similarity functions to fit their needs
- Develop information management system
 - We have a concise, integrated, and scalable platform for fast data retrieval and management

Q & A

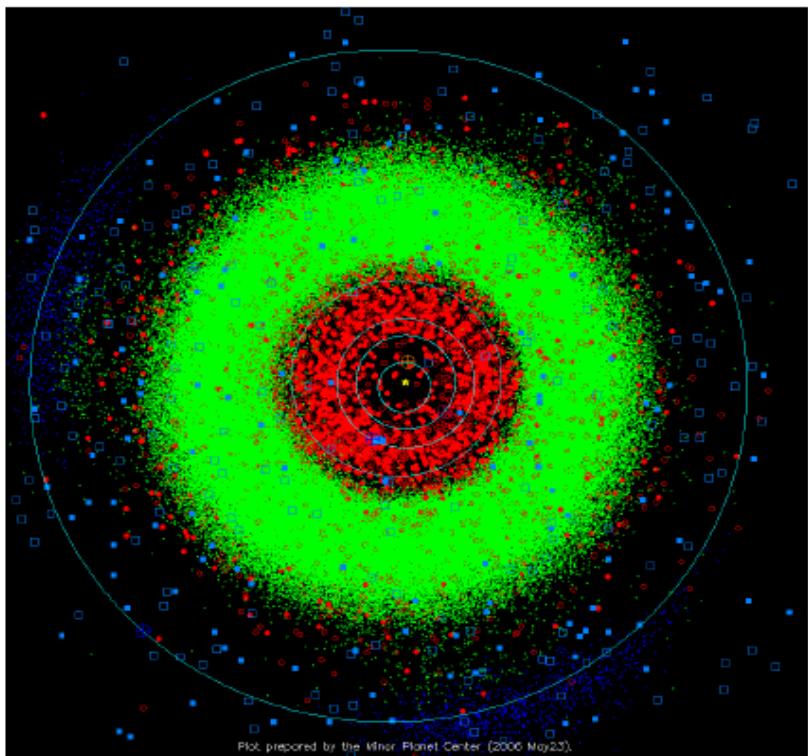
Experimental Results

Experimental Data Set

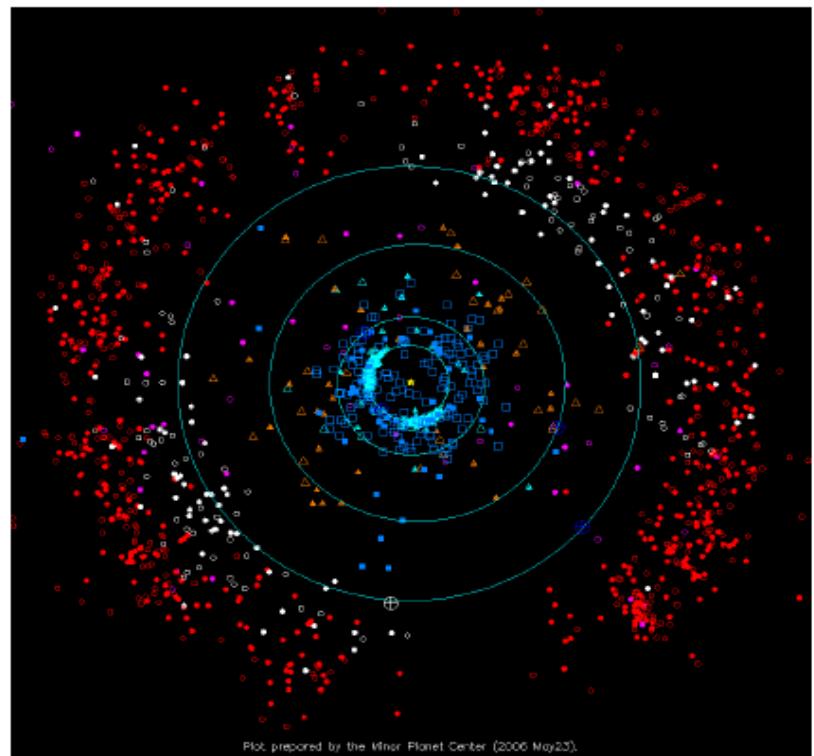
- Asteroid hierarchical clustering
- The MPC Orbit (MPCORB) database
 - Contains 6 orbital elements of minor planets
 - Release date : 2008/12
 - About 370k orbital records
 - Similarity Matrix: 1583.35G
- Similarity function d :

$$\left(\frac{d}{na}\right)^2 = k_a \left(\frac{\delta a}{a}\right)^2 + k_e (\delta e)^2 + k_i (\delta \sin i)^2 + k_\Omega (\delta \Omega)^2 + k_{\bar{\omega}} (\delta \bar{\omega})^2$$

Asteroids in the Solar System



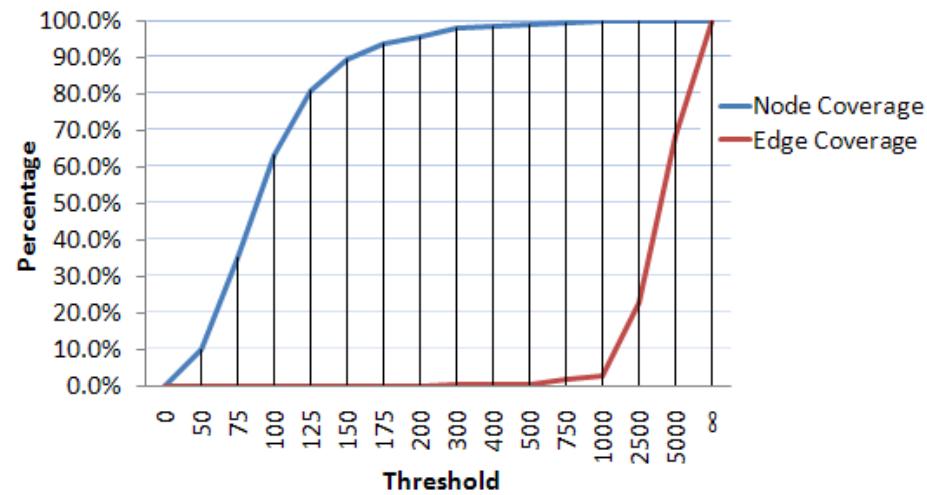
Inner Solar System



Outer Solar System

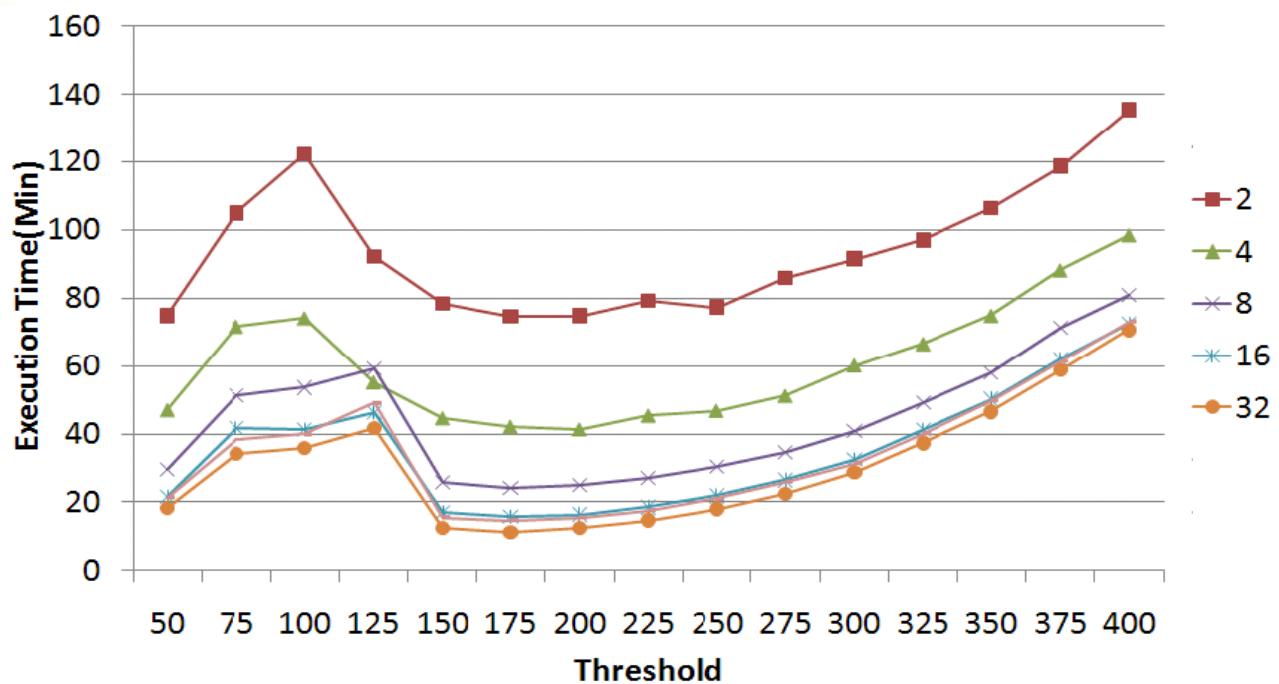
Experimental Design

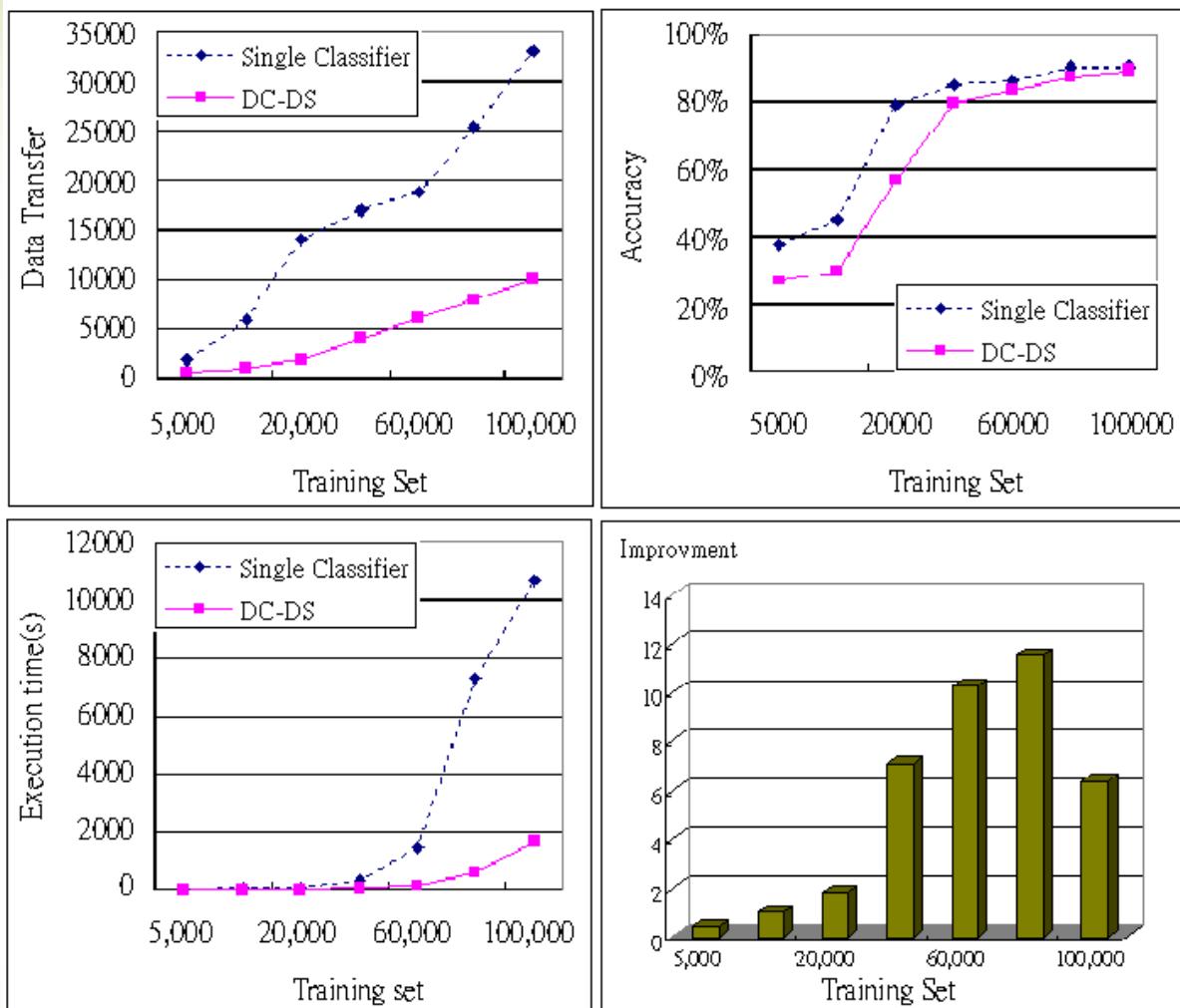
- Observation of the relationship between
 - Threshold
 - Process number
 - Execution time
 - Number of disjoint set
- We use
 - 50,75,100,125,...400 as our observation target



Overall experimental results (cont.)

- Overall execution time vs. threshold using different numbers of processes

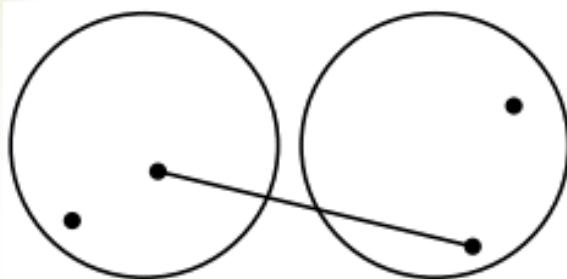




Computing similarity of clusters

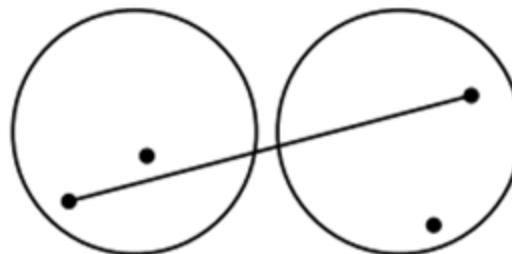
- Single-link

$$S(C_i, C_j) = \min_{a, b} S(a, b)$$



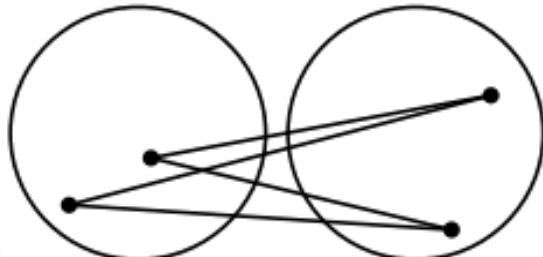
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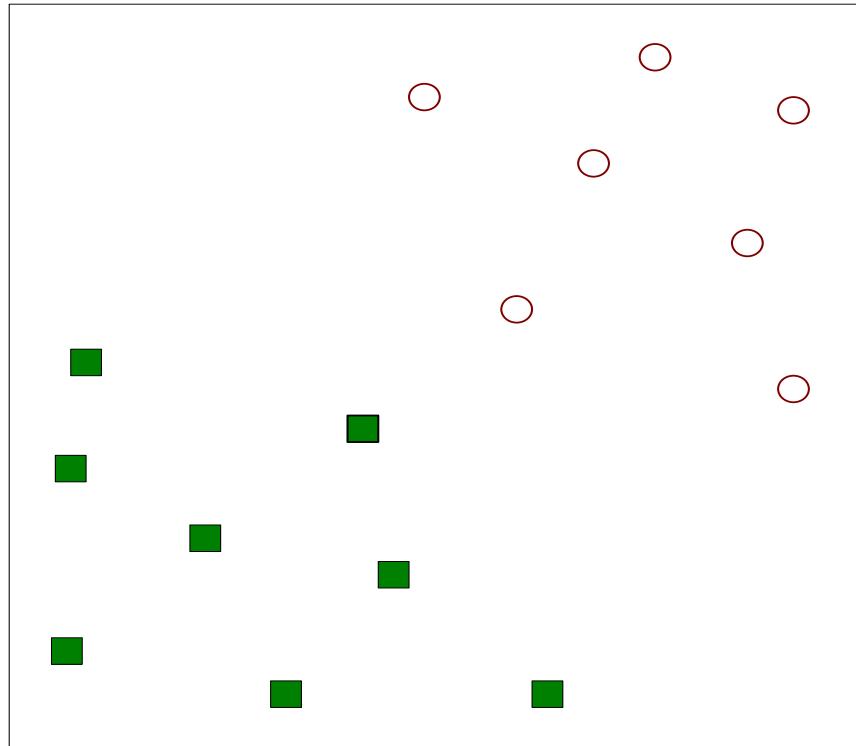


- Average-link

$$S(C_i, C_j) = \sum_{a, b} S(a, b) / (|C_i| |C_j|)$$

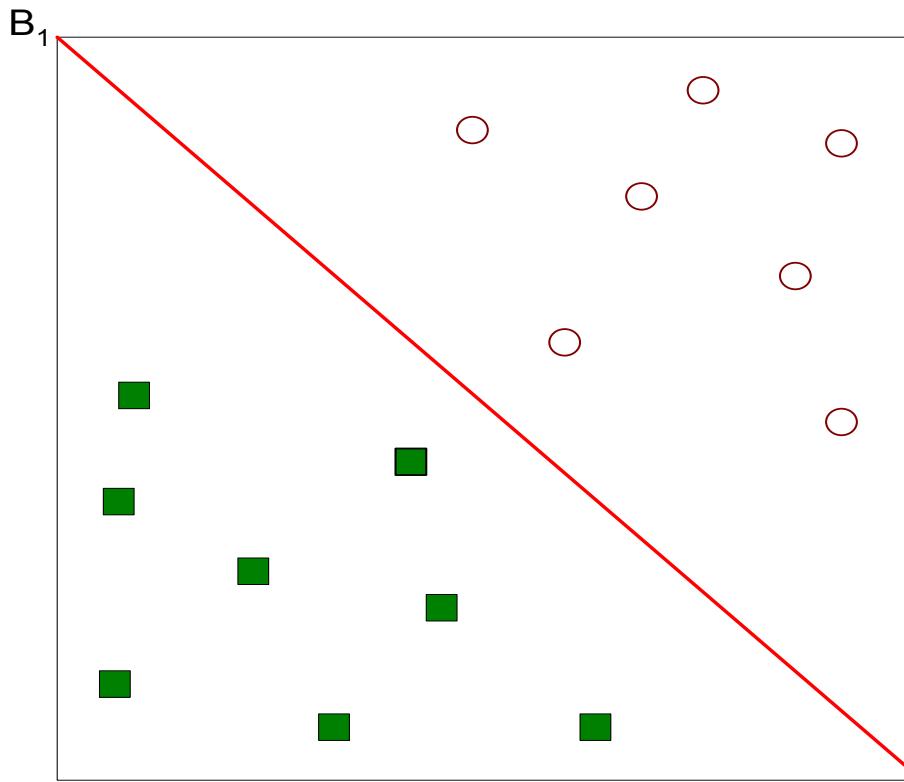


Support Vector Machines



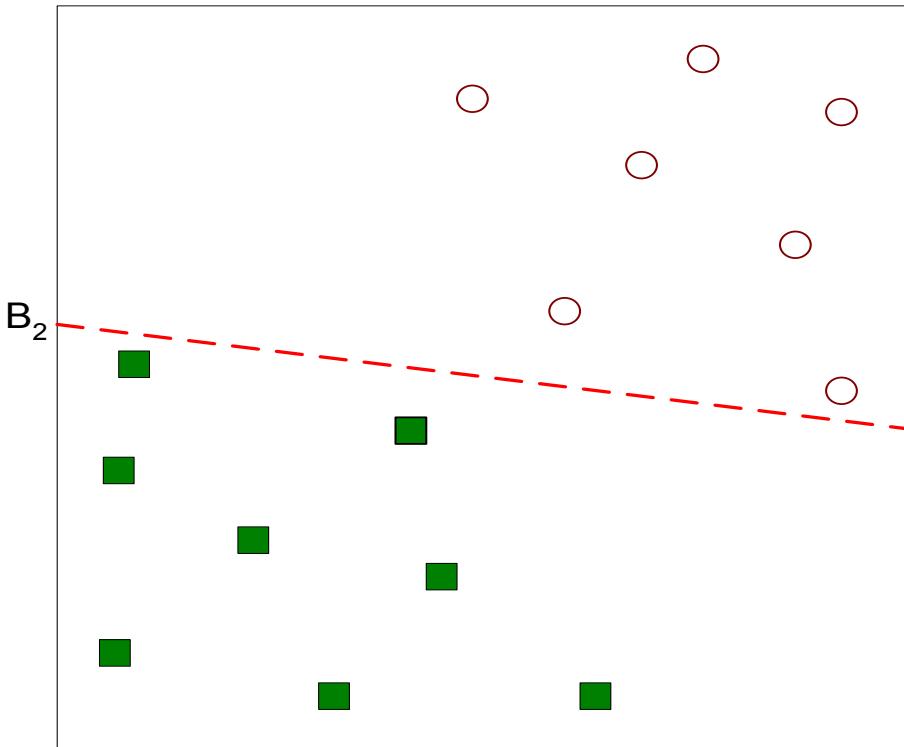
- Find a linear hyperplane (decision boundary) that will separate the data

Support Vector Machines



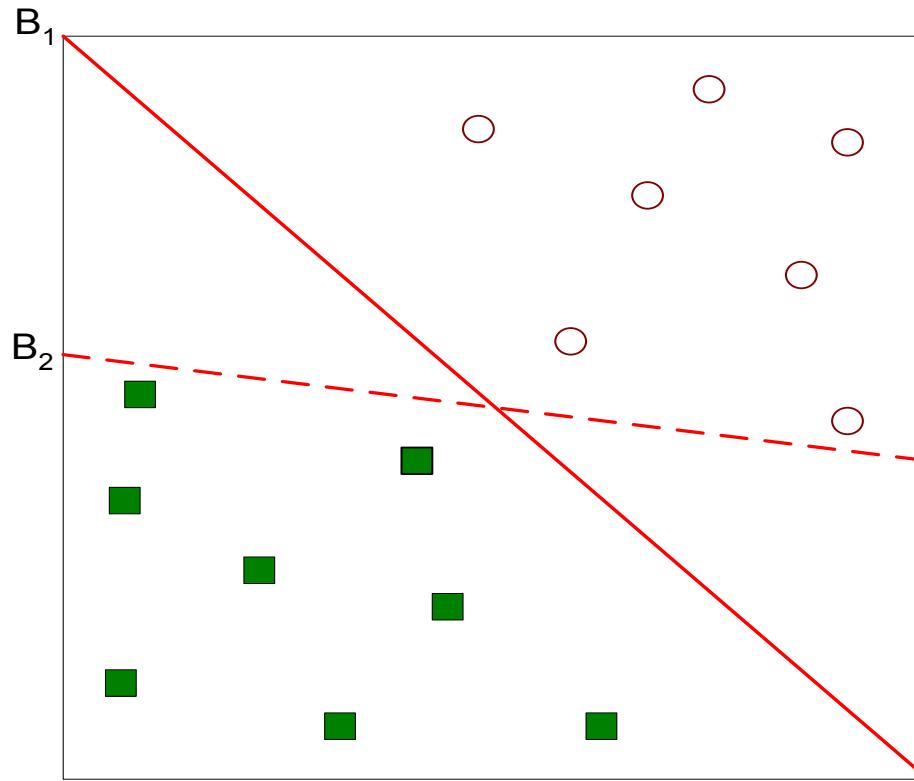
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Support Vector Machines



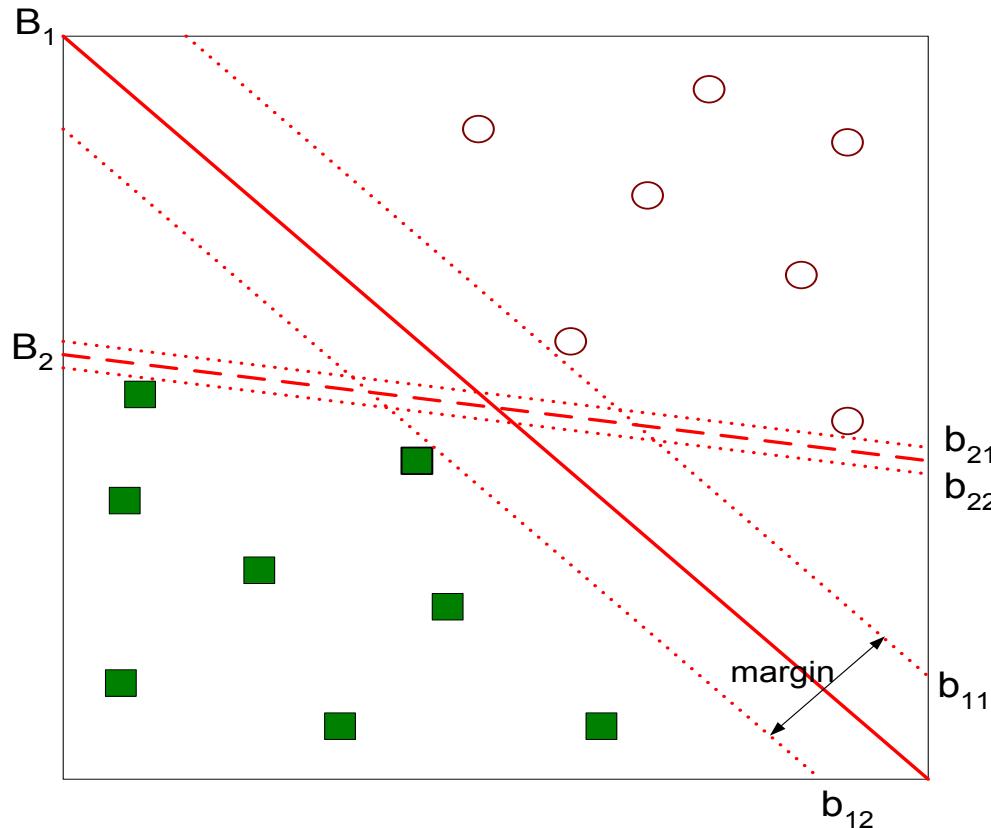
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Support Vector Machines



- Which one is better? B_1 or B_2 ?
- How do you define better?

Support Vector Machines



- Find hyperplane **maximizes** the margin => B1 is better than B2

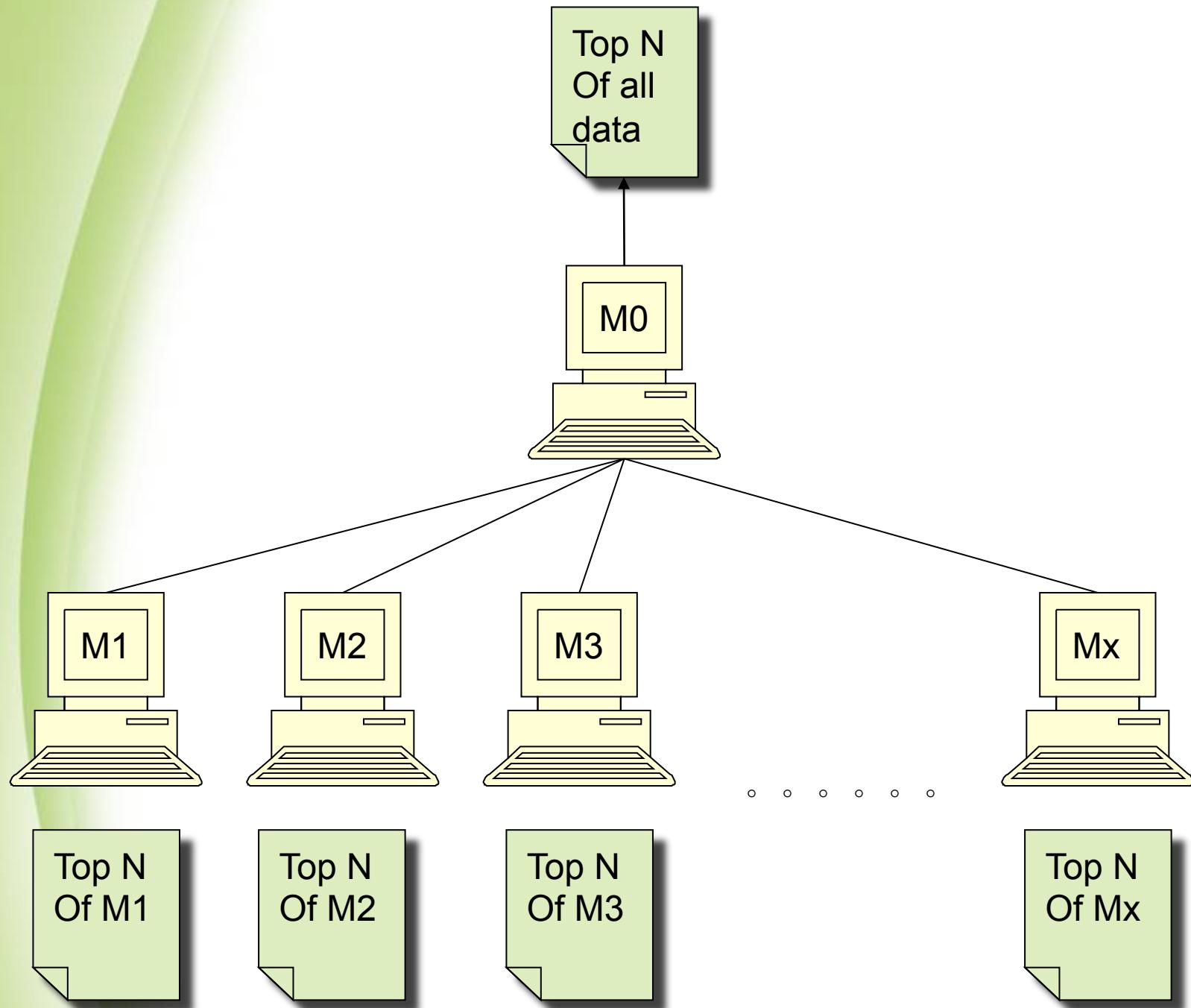
Method for Top-N Query

- Compute the pair distance and store the data base on:
 - threshold
 - Top “N”
- Merge the result

Computing of Similarity Matrix

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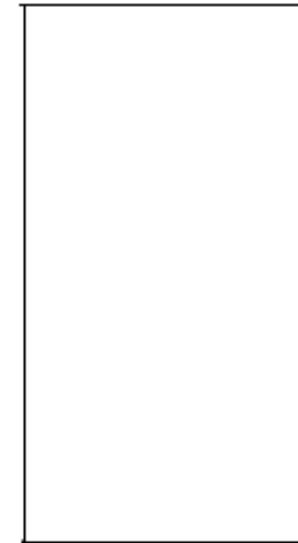
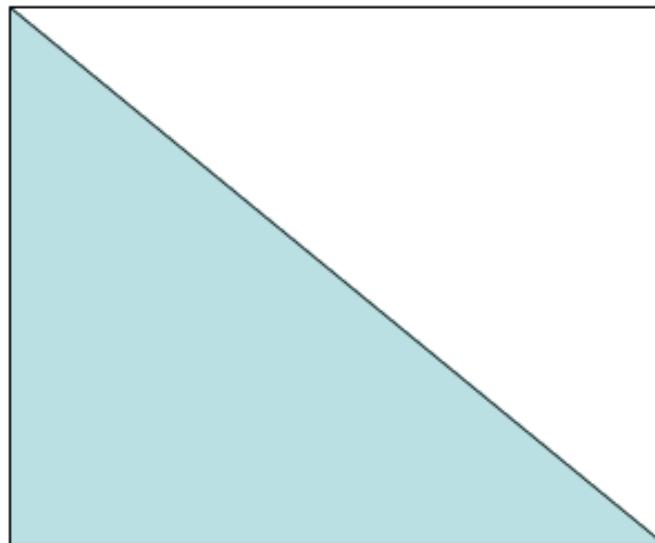
Compute the Distance of New Data

Enhanced
Similarity Matrix

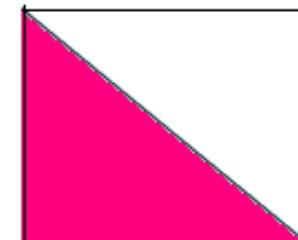
Old data

New data

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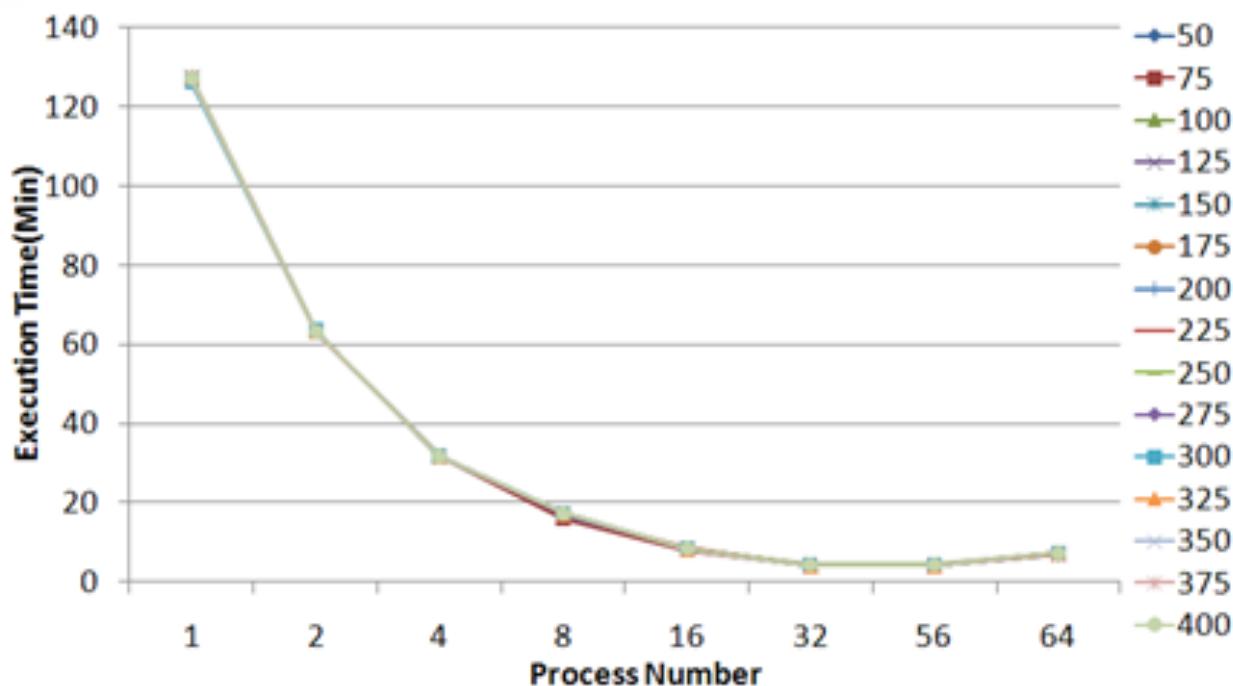


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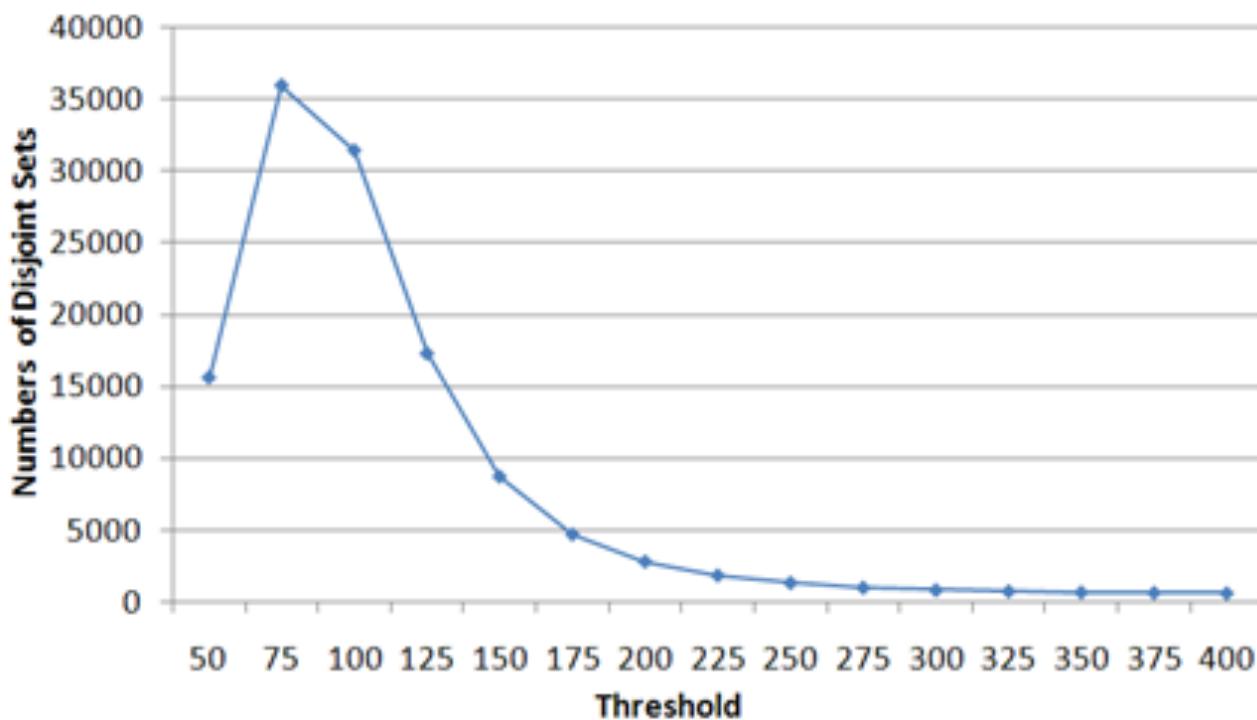
Experiments for stage 1

- Execution time of computing the similarity matrix vs. number of processes



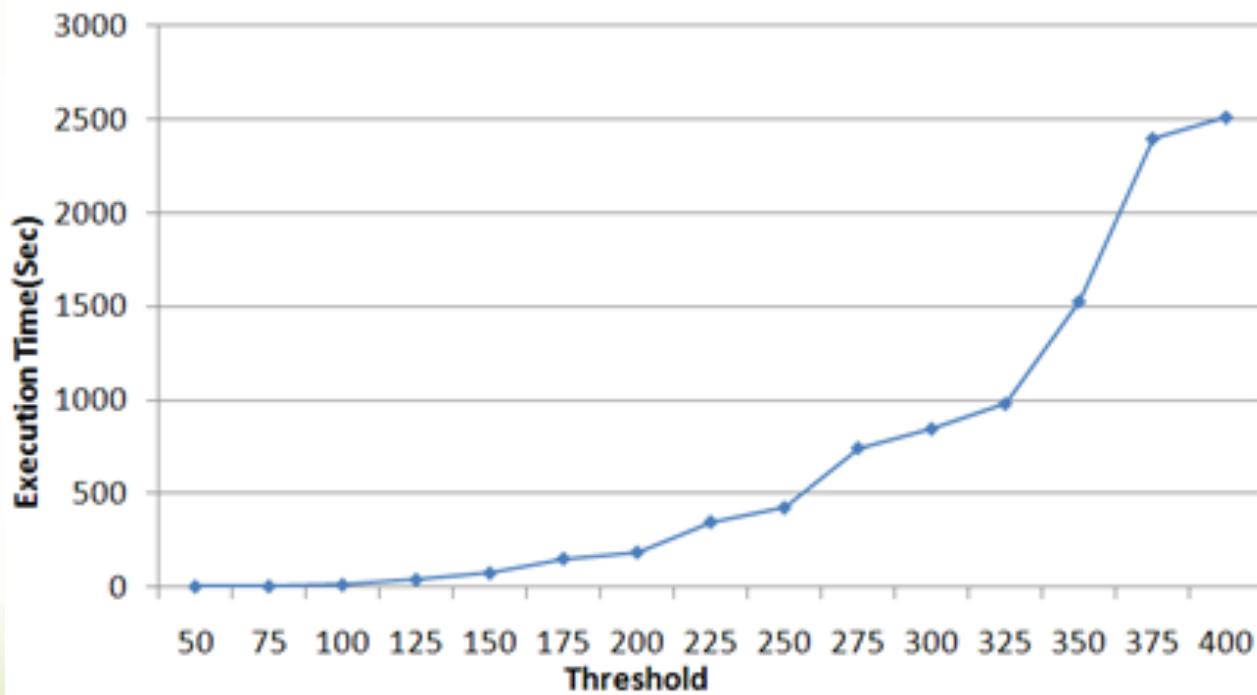
Experiments for stage 2

- Threshold vs. number of disjoint sets using a single processor



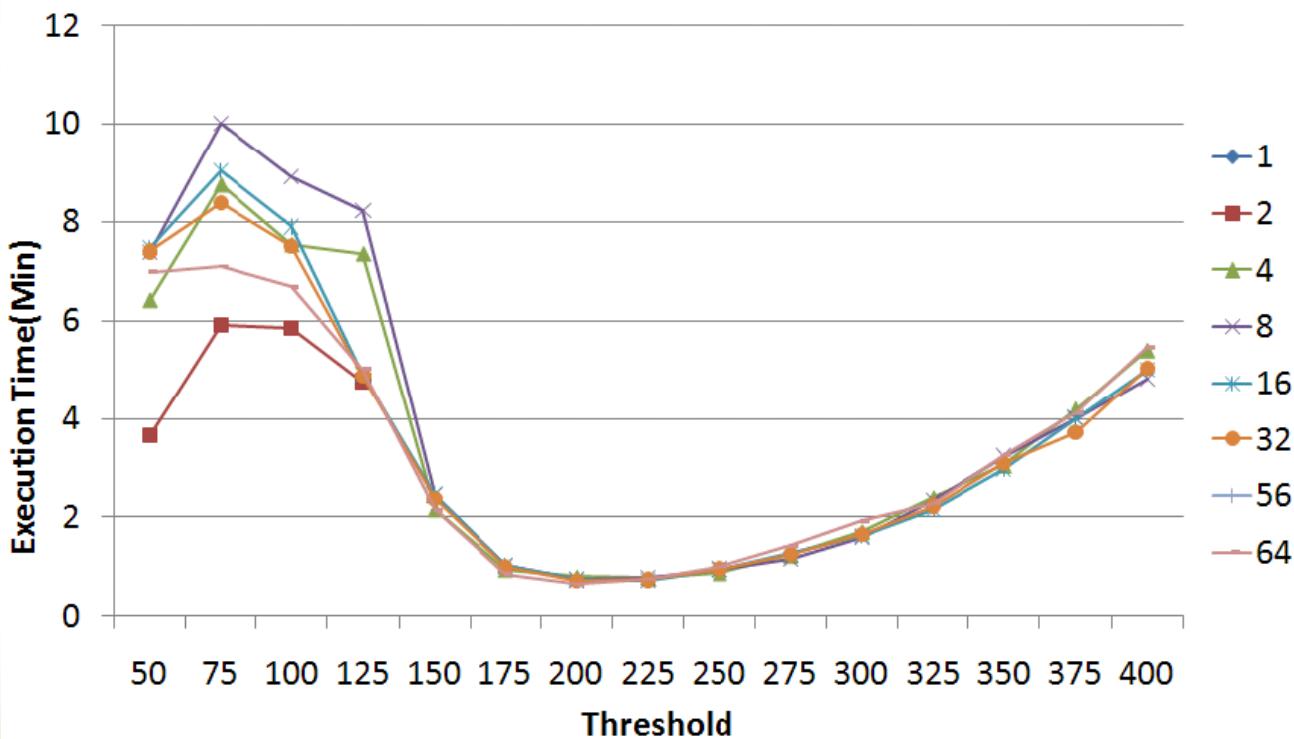
Experiments for stage 2 (cont)

- Threshold vs. execution time while identifying the disjoint sets using a single processor



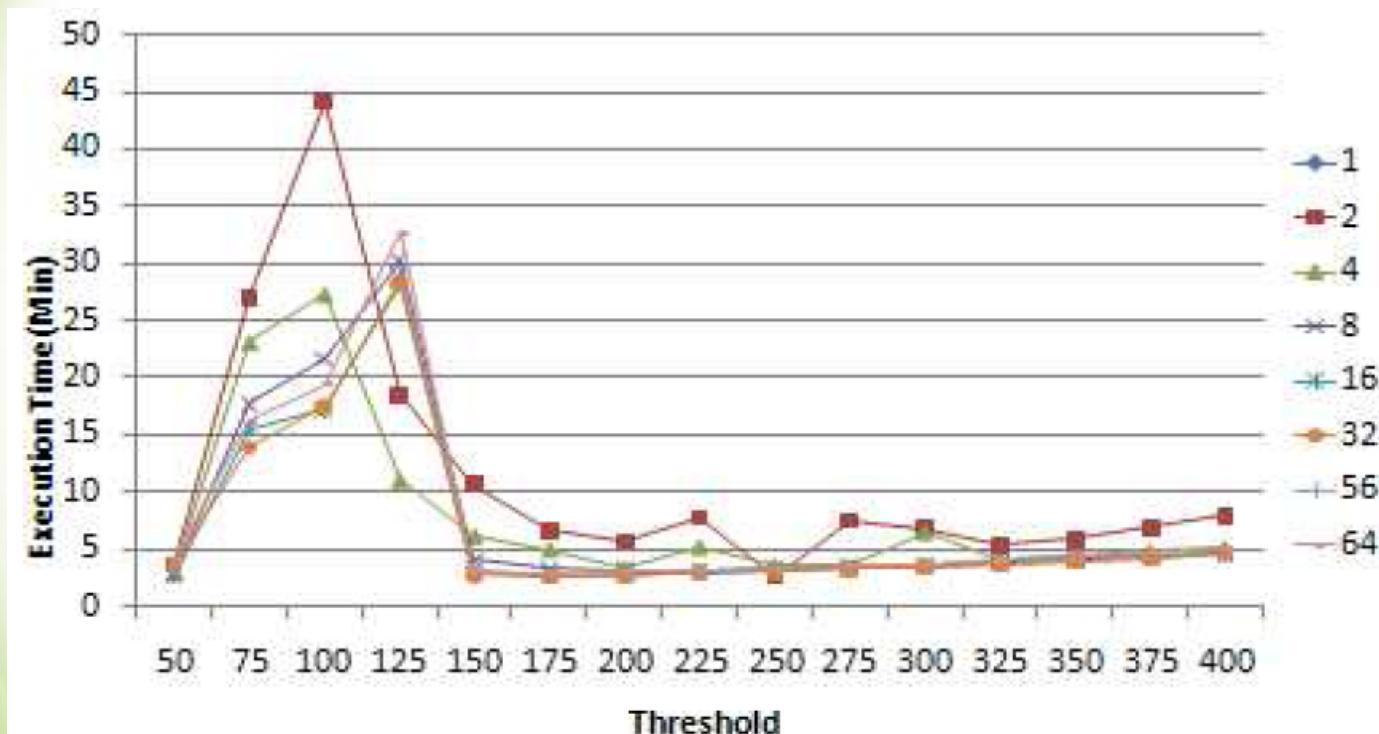
Experiments for stage 4 (cont)

- Threshold vs. execution time using different numbers of processes while clustering the disjoint sets



Experiments for stage 3

- Execution time vs. number of processes while computing the similarity matrix of the disjoint sets



Clustering Algorithms (cont)

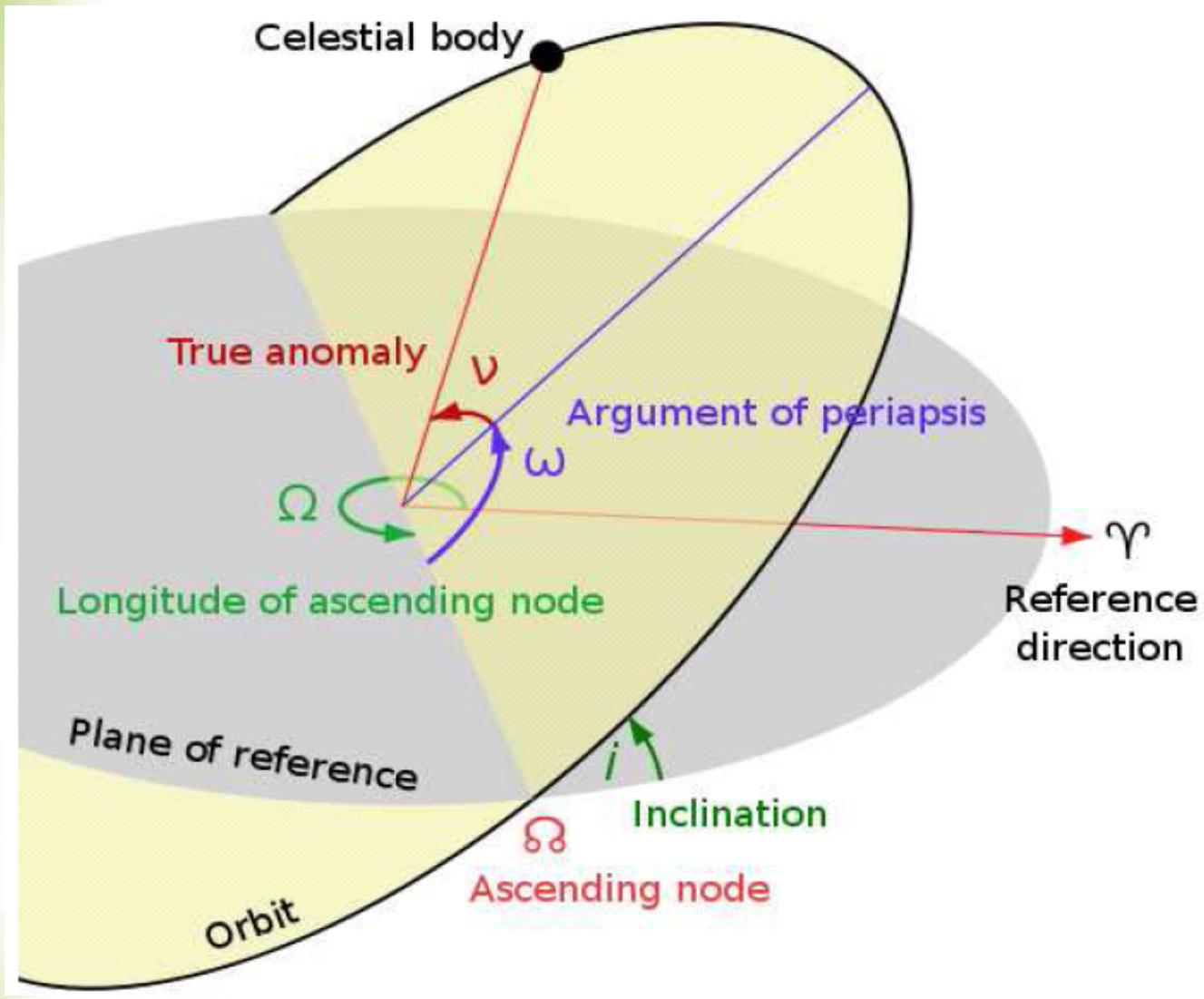
- Partition based clustering
 - K-Means

	Partition-Based Clustering	Hierarchical Clustering
Need to assign number of cluster	Yes	No
Easy to parallelize	Yes	No
unique	No	Yes
Structure Output	No	Yes

MOPS Project

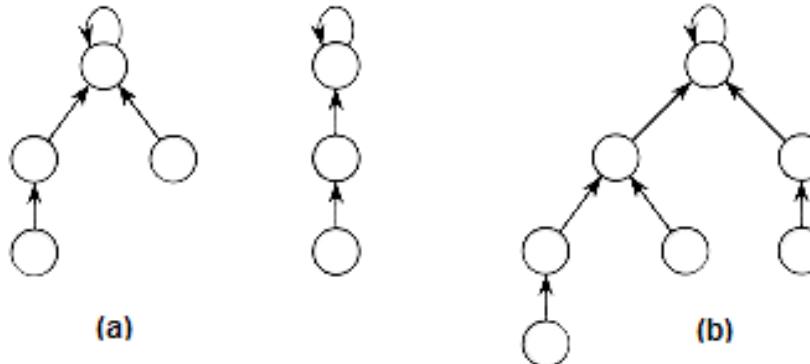
- MOPS:
 - Moving Objects Processing System
 - A sub-system in Pan-STARRS project
 - Identify/determine orbits of Near-Earth Objects
 - Over 800k objects have been marked now

Orbital Elements



Disjoint Set Operations

- Example



- Optimization

- Union by rank
- Path compress
- Time Complexity
 - $\theta(m \alpha(n))$, $\alpha(n)=4$
 - m is the operation counts of union, find root and link

