Caching Dynamic Skyline Queries

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Intuition (1)

- Traditional SL algorithms need to run anew for each DSL query
- Our idea
 - Exploit results from past queries to reduce processing cost for future DSL queries
 - Cache past queries
 - Decide which queries in cache are useful

Intuition (2)



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- 2 past DSL queries
 - q_a, q_b
- Each query partitions space in 4 quadrants



Intuition (3)

- A new query q arrives
- Consider DSL for q_a
 - p_1 is contained DSL(q_a)
 - p₁ dominates p₂, p₃, p₄
- p₁ lies in upper right quadrant w.r.t. q_a
- q_a lies in upper right quadrant w.r.t. q
- p₁ dominates also p₂, p₃,
 - p₄ w.r.t. to q
 - Exclude p₂, p₃, p₄ from dominance test for DSL(q)



 Shaded area denotes points dominated by p₁

Contribution in brief

- Caching past DSL queries cannot reduce processing cost for future ones
 - We need more information about dominance relationships
- Introduce orthant skylines (OSL) and examine their relationship with DSL
- Extend Bitmap algorithm to compute OSL in parallel with DSL
- Cache OSL to enhance DSL queries evaluation
 - Present 3 cache replacement policies
 - LRU, LFU, LPP
- Experimental evaluation of caching mechanism

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Related work

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Bitmap

- BnL variant
- Suitable for domains with low cardinality and discrete
- In brief
 - Computes a bitmap representation of the points in the dataset
 - Examines each point separately (dominance test)
 - Checks whether it is contained in the skyline or not
 - Exploits fast bitwise operations OR/AND

Bitmap – Dominance test

• For each point p

- Define $A = A^1 \& A^2 \& \dots \& A^d$

- Denotes the points as good as p in all dimensions
- Define $B = B^1 | B^2 | ... | B^d$
 - Denotes the points strictly better than p in at least one dimension
- Dominance test:
 - If C = A & B has all bits set to 0 then p is in SL

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Computing orthant skylines

- Algorithm DBM
 - Extends Bitmap to compute DSL and OSLs at the same time
- Method:
 - Compute bitmap representation
 - Transform each point coordinates w.r.t. to query q
 - Dominance test, point p, orthant o
 - p not in OSL_o and not in DSL
 - p not in DSL, but in OSL_o
 - p in DSL and in $\ensuremath{\mathsf{OSL}}_{o}$

Dynamic skylines Via Caching

- Cache OSLs instead of DSLs
 - Query cache contains (query point q_i, OSLs)
 - OSLs encode by bitmaps
- Algorithm cDBM
 - OSL contains information about dominance test inside orthant
 - Discard points inside orthants from dominance tests
- Method:
 - Compute bitmap representation
 - For each point p consider its position (orthant) w.r.t. to cache queries q_i
 - If p in the same orthant o w.r.t q_j as q_j w.r.t. q and p not in OSL_o (q_j) then exclude it from OSL_o(q), DSL(q)

Cache Replacement Policies

- General idea
 - Limited cache space
 - Identify least useful query point in cache
 - Replace it with new one

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 - Update cache remove:
 - Least Recently Used (LRU) query point
 - Least Frequently Used (LFU) query point



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- Update cache remove
 - Query point with less pruning power (LPP)



Experimental Evaluation

- Synthetic datasets
 - Distribution types
 - Independent, correlated, anti-correlated
 - Number of points N
 - 10k, 20k, 50k, 100k,
 - Dimensionality
 - d = {2,3,4,5,6}
 - Domain size for dimension
 - |D| = {10,20,50}
- Compare
 - Bitmap (NO-CACHE)
 - cDBM with LFU,LRU,LPP cache replacement policies
 - Query cache
 - |Q| = {10,20,30,40,50} past query points
 - Cache size is |Q|*N bits uncompressed

Varying query cache size



- Dataset: N = 50k points, with d = 4 dimensions of |D| = 20 domain size
- LFU,LRU cache queries not representative for future ones
- LPP caches queries with great pruning power

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Effect of distribution parameters



- Relative improvement in running time over NO-CACHE
- Vary number of points N
 - d = 4 dimensions of |D| = 20 domain size
- Vary number of dimensions d

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Conclusions and Future work

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- Introduced orthant skylines (OSLs) and discussed its relationship with DSL
- Extended Bitmap to compute OSLs and DSL at the same time (DBM algorithm)
- Proposed caching mechanism of OSLs to reduce cost for future DSL queries
 - LRU, LFU, LPP cache replacement policies
- Experimentally verified the efficiency of caching mechanism
- Future work
 - Apply caching mechanism to index-based methods
- Further increase pruning power of cached queries SSDBM'08

Questions ?