

# A FUZZY LOGIC APPROACH FOR DISTRIBUTED COMPUTATION OF PROBABILISTIC TOP-K QUERIES IN WIRELESS SENSOR NETWORKS

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**Abstract**—For distributed computation of probabilistic top-k queries in wireless sensor networks we are introducing the term of enough set, limited set and required set. These two notations have very wide usability which can be applicable in localized data pruning in cluster based wireless sensor networks. By keeping these terms, we develop a suite of algorithms, namely, enough set-based (ESB), required set-based (RSB), and limited-based (LB), for intercluster query processing with bounded rounds of communications. The selection of tuples is based on confidence values in probabilistic database. But in this paper we are ranking the tuples according to their fuzzy values associated with each tuple. The fuzzy values can be determined by the minimum and maximum of ranges of attributes.

**Keywords**—Fuzzy logic, Top-k queries, distributed data management, probabilistic databases, wireless sensor networks, distributed query processing, data pruning.

## I. INTRODUCTION

WIRELESS sensor networks are redesigning the processes to collect and use data and information from the physical world. This advanced technology has proved significant impacts on a wide range of applications in various fields, including military, science, industry, commerce, transportation, and health-care. Ranking and aggregation queries used in data exploration, data analysis and decision making scenarios. While most of the currently proposed ranking and aggregation techniques focus on deterministic data, several emerging applications involve data that is unclear and uncertain. Further more uncertainty imposes probability as a new ranking dimension that does not exist in the traditional settings. In wireless sensor networks, sensor nodes play an important role in terms of collection of real world data in to processed output. But the quality of sensors depends upon their sensing precision, accuracy, tolerance to hardware/external noise, and so on. For example, studies show that the distribution of noise varies widely in different photovoltaic sensors, precision and accuracy of readings usually vary significantly in humidity sensors, and the errors in GPS devices can be up to several meters. Thus, sensor readings are inherently uncertain. In many current applications, data involves uncertainty and impression. The impression of real world data entails different semantics for top k query and top k aggregate queries. It also motivates the

need for new query formulation and efficient processing techniques and motivates the need for new query formulations and efficient processing techniques to address ranking and aggregation from a probabilistic perspective. Managing uncertain data via probabilistic database (PDBS) has evolved as an established field of research in recent years with plethora of application ranging from scientific data management, sensor networks, and data integration to knowledge management systems. The basic idea is to perform data pruning and aggregation at cluster heads such that only the data tuples required for final processing are transferred to the base station. Recently top k queries on uncertain data draws sharp attentions in research fields. In uncertain database each data is associated with a scoring function, according to that scoring functions it will top k query will give the answer for each query. There are a lot of semantics of top-k queries which are being employed in different applications. Among them top-k query semantics and solutions proposed recently, including U-Topk and Uk Ranks in, PT-Topk, expected rank. The process through which all top k queries are processed is that each query is being associated with scoring attribute and are being processed until satisfies the condition.

## II. RELATED WORK

### A. Fuzzy logic with engineering applications.

Author: Timothy J. Ross

It introduces the basic concepts of fuzziness and distinguishes fuzzy uncertainty from others of uncertainty. It also gives the fundamental ideas of set membership; thereby giving the details of all materials that follows and presents membership function as the format used for expressing set membership. It reviews the ideas for classical set theory and develops the basic ideas of fuzzy sets. Operations and properties of fuzzy sets are introduced by way of comparison with same entities for classical sets.

### B. Collaborative Approach to in-Place Sensor Calibration

Author: V. Bychkovskiy, S. Megerian

There are lots of factors which contribute to errors in sensor measurements. In order to be fruitful, any sensor device must be designed to adjust its accuracy against the expected measurement scale. Calibration will be an exceptionally

difficult task in large scale sensor networks, since sensor nodes are often not easily accessible. And manual device-by-device calibration is intractable. In this paper, we present a two-phase post-deployment calibration technique for large-scale, dense sensor deployments. In its initial phase, the algorithm derives relative calibration relationships between pairs of co-located sensors, while in the further phase; it maximizes the consistency of the pair-wise calibration functions among groups of sensor nodes. The key idea in the initial phase is to use temporal correlation of signals received at neighboring sensors when the signals are highly correlated (i.e. sensors are observing the same phenomenon) to derive the function relating their bias in amplitude. We formulate the second phase as an optimization problem and present an algorithm suitable for localized implementation. We evaluate the performance of the initial phase of the algorithm using empirical and simulated data.

#### C. Poster Abstract: Online Data Cleaning in Wireless Sensor Networks

Author: E. Elnahrawy and B. Nath

In this paper we are giving ideas about our ongoing work on data quality problems in sensor networks. Specifically, we deal with the problems of outliers, missing information, and noise. Here we explain an approach for modeling and online learning of spatial-temporal correlations in sensor networks. We utilize the learned correlations to discover outliers and recover missing information. We also propose a Bayesian approach for reducing the effect of noise on sensor data online.

#### D. Evaluating Probabilistic Queries over Imprecise Data

Author: R. Cheng, D.V. Kalashnikov

In many applications we are employing sensors for monitoring entities such as temperature and wind speed. A centralized database tracks these entities to enable query processing. Due to continuous changes in these values and limited resources (e.g., network bandwidth and battery power), it is often infeasible to store the exact values at all times. A similar situation exists for moving object environments that track the constantly changing locations of objects. In this environment, it is possible for database queries to produce incorrect or invalid results based upon old data. However, if the degree of error (or uncertainty) between the actual value and the database value is controlled; we can place more confidence in the answers to queries. More generally, query answers can be augmented with probabilistic estimates of the validity of the answers.

In this chapter we study probabilistic query evaluation based upon uncertain data. A classification of queries is made based upon the nature of the result set. For each class, we develop algorithms for computing probabilistic answers. We address the important issue of ensuring the quality of the answers to these queries, and provide algorithms for efficiently pulling data from relevant sensors or moving objects in order to improve the quality of the executing

queries. A wide range of experiments are performed to examine the effectiveness of several data update policies.

#### E. On the Representation and Querying of Sets of Possible Worlds

Author: S. Abiteboul, P. Kanellakis

We represent a set of possible worlds using a k-anonymity privacy protection model. We introduce kpro-anonymity model, a space-efficient and complete representation system for finite sets of worlds. We study the problem of efficiently evaluating queries on sets of possible worlds represented by kpro-anonymity model.

#### F. Efficient Query Evaluation on Probabilistic Databases

Author: N. Dalvi and D. Suciu

Here we describe a system that supports arbitrarily complex SQL queries on probabilistic databases. The query semantics is based on a probabilistic model and the results are ranked, much like in information retrieval. Our main focus is efficient query evaluation, a problem that has not received attention in the past. We describe an optimization algorithm that can compute efficiently most queries. We show, however, that the data complexity of some queries is  $P$ -complete, which implies that these queries do not admit any efficient evaluation methods. For these queries we describe both an approximation algorithm and a Monte-Carlo simulation algorithm.

### III. PROPOSED SYSTEM

There are three proposed algorithms to minimize the transmission cost. We show the applicability of enough set and required set to wireless sensor networks. There are several top-k query semantics and solutions proposed recently, including U-Topk and UkRanks in PT-Topk in PK-Topk in expected rank in and so on. A common way to process probabilistic top-k queries by fuzzy approach is to first sort all tuples based on the fuzzy values, which can be determined by the minimum and maximum of ranges of attributes. After then process tuples in the sorted order to compute the final answer set.

But when we are aiming for optimizing the transmission bandwidth, then it require a number of iterations of computation and communication, that will leads to a large amount of communication overhead and resulting in long latency. As argued this is not desirable for many distributed applications, e.g., network monitoring, that require the queries to be answered in a good response time, with minimized energy consumption. In this paper, we aim at developing energy efficient algorithms optimized for fixed rounds of communications. In this paper, we explore the problem of processing probabilistic top-k queries in distributes wireless sensor network.

Here, we first use an environmental monitoring application of wireless sensor network to introduce some basics of probabilistic databases. Due to sensing impression and environment interfaces, the sensor readings are usually

noisy. An extensive performance evaluation is conducted to compare the proposed algorithms along with two baseline approaches. Experimental result validates our ideas and shows that the proposed algorithms reduce data transmissions significantly without taking excessive rounds of communications.

#### IV. ILLUSTRATION OF FEEDBACK SESSIONS

##### A. PT-Topk Query Processing

The PT-Topk queries in a centralized uncertain database, which provides a good background for the targeted distributed processing problem. The query answer can be obtained by examining the tuples in descending ranking order from the sorted table (which is still denoted as T for simplicity). We can easily determine that the highest ranked k tuples are definitely in the answer set as long as their confidences are greater than p since their qualifications as PT-Topk answers are not dependent on the existence of any other tuples.

##### B. Sensor Networks

The extensive number of research work in this area has appeared in the literature. Due to the limited energy budget available at sensor nodes, the primary issue is how to develop energy-efficient techniques to reduce communication and energy costs in the networks. Approximate-based data aggregation techniques have also been proposed. The idea is to tradeoff some data quality for improved energy efficiency. Silberstein et al. Develop a sampling-based approach to evaluate approximate top-k queries in wireless sensor networks. Based on statistical modeling techniques, a model-driven approach was proposed in to balance the confidence of the query answer against the communication cost in the network. Moreover, continuous top-k queries for sensor networks have been studied in and. In addition, a distributed threshold join algorithm has been developed for top-k queries. These studies, considering no uncertain data, have a different focus from our study.

##### C. Data pruning

The cluster heads are responsible for generating uncertain data tuples from the collected raw sensor readings within their clusters. To answer a query, it's natural for the cluster heads to prune redundant uncertain data tuples before delivery to the base station in order to reduce communication and energy cost. The key issue here is how to derive a compact set of tuples essential for the base station to answer the probabilistic top-k queries. The data tuples which are excluded from the enough set, required set, limited set in local clusters will never appear in subsequent result set.

##### D. Tree structured network topology

To perform in-network query processing, a routing tree is often formed among sensor nodes and the base station. A query is issued at the root of the routing tree and propagated along the tree to all sensor nodes. Although the concepts of

sufficient set and necessary set introduced earlier are based on two-tier hierarchical sensor networks, they are applicable to tree-structured sensor network. This work is based on two tier architecture and in further it can be applicable in the tree structured architecture. This provides a wide platform of adoptability in different type of topology network.

##### E. Data transmission

The total amount of data transmission as the performance metrics. Notice that, response time is another important metrics to evaluate query processing algorithms in wireless sensor networks. All of those three algorithms, i.e., RSB, LSB, and LB, perform at most two rounds of message exchange there is not much difference among ESB, RSB, and LB in terms of query response time, thus we focus on the data transmission costing the evaluation. Finally, we also conduct experiments to evaluate algorithms, ESB-T, RSB-T, and LB-T-Opt under the tree-structured network topology.

##### F. Performance evaluation

The performance evaluation on the distributed algorithms for processing PT-top k queries in cluster based wireless sensor monitoring system. As discussed, limited energy budget is a critical issue for wireless sensor network and radio transmission is the most dominate source of energy consumption. Thus, we measure the total amount of data transmission as the performance metrics. Notice that, response time is another important metrics to evaluate query processing algorithms in wireless sensor networks which is an important point to be remembered. Based on that remembered. An extensive performance evaluation is conducted to compare the proposed algorithms along with two baseline approaches. Experimental result validates our ideas and shows that the proposed algorithms reduce data transmissions significantly without incurring excessive rounds of communications. We will apply limited set and required set to sensor networks with tree topology, to further improve query processing performance by facilitating sophisticated in-network filtering at the intermediate nodes along the routing path to the root.

#### V. ASSOCIATED WORK

In recent years, many works have been done. Here we review representative work in the areas of 1) top-k Query processing in wireless sensor networks, and 2) top-k query processing on uncertain data. Top-k query processing in sensor networks. An extensive number of research works in this area has appeared in the literature [21], [24], [25], [26]. Due to the limited energy budget available at sensor nodes, the primary issue is how to develop energy-efficient techniques to reduce communication and energy costs in the networks. TAG [21] is one of the first studies in this area. By exploring the semantics of aggregate operators (e.g., sum, avg, and top-k), in-network processing approach is adopted to suppress redundant data transmissions in wireless sensor networks. Approximate-based data aggregation techniques have also been proposed [27], [25]. The idea is to tradeoff some data quality for improved energy efficiency. Silberstein

et al. develop a sampling-based approach to evaluate approximate on statistical modeling techniques, a model-driven approach was proposed in [5] to balance the confidence of the query answer against the communication cost in the network. Moreover, continuous top-k queries for sensor networks have been studied in [28] and [29]. In addition, a distributed threshold join algorithm has been developed for top-k queries [24]. These studies, considering no uncertain data, have a different focus from our study. Top-k query processing on uncertain data. While research works on conventional top-k queries are mostly based on some deterministic fuzzy scoring functions, the new factor of fuzzy membership probability in uncertain databases makes evaluation of probabilistic top-k queries very complicated since the top-k answer set depends not only on the ranking scores of candidate tuples but also their probabilities [8]. For uncertain databases, two interesting top-k definitions (i.e., U-Topk and U-kRanks) and like algorithms are proposed [17]. U-Topk returns a list of k tuples that has the highest probability to be in the top-k list over all possible worlds. U-kRanks returns a list of k tuples such that the ith record has the highest probability to be the ith best record in all possible worlds. In [13], PT-Topk query, which returns the set of tuples with a probability of at least p to be in the top-k lists in the possible worlds, is studied. Inspired by the concept of dominate set in the top-k query, an algorithm which avoids unfolding all possible worlds is given. Besides, a sampling method is developed to quickly compute an approximation with quality guarantee to the answer set by drawing a small sample of the uncertain data. In [19], the expected rank of each tuple across all possible worlds serves as the ranking function for finding the final answer. In [30], U-Topk and U-kRank queries are improved by exploiting their stop conditions. In [31], all existing top-k semantics have been unified by using generating functions. Recently, a study on processing top-k queries over a distributed uncertain database is reported in [14] and [23]. Li et al. [14] only support top-k queries with the expected ranking semantic. On the contrary, our proposal is a general approach which is applicable to probabilistic top-k queries with any semantic. Furthermore, instead of repeatedly requesting data which may last for several rounds, our protocols are guaranteed to be completed within no more than two rounds. These differences uniquely differentiate our effort from [14]. Our previous work [23] as the initial attempt only includes the concept of sufficient set. In this paper, besides of sufficient set, we propose another important concept of necessary set. With the aid of these two concepts, we further develop a suite of algorithms, which show much better performance than the one in [23]. Probabilistic ranked queries based on uncertainty at the attribute level are studied in [32], [33], and [19]. A unique study that ranks tuples by their probabilities satisfying the query is presented in [12]. Finally, uncertain top-k query is studied under the setting of streaming databases where a compact data set is exploited to support efficient slide window top-k queries [18]. We will apply require set and enough set to sensor networks with tree topology, to further improve query processing performance by facilitating

sophisticated in-network filtering at the intermediate nodes along the routing path to the root.

## VI. EXPERIMENTAL SETUP AND RESULT

The calculation for determining the selection of tuples to be transmitted base station is done by taking confidence values [1]. In this paper instead of these confidence values, we associated with fuzzy values which can be determined by the minimum and maximum of ranges of attributes. Here, we first conduct a simulation-based performance evaluation on the distributed algorithms for processing PT-topk queries in two-tier hierarchical structured cluster based wireless sensor monitoring system. As discussed, Limited energy budget is a critical issue for wireless sensor network and radio transmission is the most dominate source of energy consumption. Thus, we measure the total amount of data transmission as the performance metrics. Notice that, response time is another important metrics to evaluate query processing algorithms in wireless sensor networks. All of those three algorithms, i.e., ESB, RSB, and IB, perform at most two rounds of message exchange, thus clearly outperform an iterative approach (developed based on the processing strategy in [14]), which usually needs hundreds of iterations. To perform the necessity test we have to take a system, which should be having the features for hardware part Processor Pentium –IV Speed will be 1.1 GHz RAM 256 MB (min) Hard Disk must be 20 GB Key Board Standard Windows Keyboard Two or Three Button Mouse Monitor SVGA need. The software configuration should be. Operating System on which simulation is going to be performed is the Windows XP Programming Language we are using is JAVA Version JDK 1.6 & above. Database, MySQL, tool is Net beans IDE 7.0 to perform the desire experiment first we have to collect local data from the environment through local sensors. After receiving the necessity data these are processed to the cluster head. There it's having probabilistic data base. Which functions to store all the processed data in the networks, sensor nodes are grouped into clusters, where cluster heads are responsible for local processing and to report aggregated results to the base station? Each tuple records a possible wind speed corresponding to a location. The data base is consisting of most probable of four columns and the number of rows is depending on the number of local sensors. Columns are named as location, speed of the wind and fuzzy values associated with each tuple. Fuzzy value associated with a tuple indicates the existence probability of that particular wind speed. For example, there are two data tuples generated for Location A. The wind speeds in these Two tuples are both valid (i.e., with measured fuzzy values) But their presence is exclusive. In probabilistic databases, the exclusive presence of tuple instances in an x-tuple  $\_$  is dictated by the x-relation rule, denoted in the form of  $\_ \rightarrow \{t_1, t_2, \dots, t_n\}$ . In our running environment. Each Location is associated with an x-relation rule. For instance, Corresponding to location A,  $\_A \rightarrow \{t_1, t_3\}$ , i.e.,  $\_A$  is an xtuple for A and t1 and t3 are alternative tuple instances (or simply called alternatives) of  $\_A$ . That the overall confidence

of an x-tuple is the sum of its alternatives. A number of experiments are conducted to validate the proposed algorithms for a two-tier network in the following aspects: 1) overall performance, 2) sensitivity tests, 3) adaptiveness. Additionally, overall performance under the tree topology is evaluated. We first validate the effectiveness of our proposed methods in reducing the transmission cost against two baseline Approaches, including 1) a naive approach, which simply transmits the entire data set to the base station for query processing; 2) an iterative approach devised based on the Parameter Settings processing strategy explored. The iterative approach runs as follows: in each round, each cluster head delivers a single data tuple with the highest score in its local data set and the information of current local highest score (after removing the delivered data) to the base station. In response, the base station derives necessary set upon the data collected so far. If the score of enough boundaries is higher than the current local highest score of all cluster heads, the base station can determine the final result based on the available data and thus terminate the algorithm; otherwise, the algorithm goes for the next round. The experiments use both the synthetic data and real traces. Here we randomize all parameter settings within their ranges to show the general performance. Both results on synthetic and real data indicate that all the algorithms proposed in this paper significantly reduce data transmissions against the two baseline approaches by achieving about 70 percent of saving against the Iterative approach in synthetic data sets and 80 percent of saving against the Iterative approach in real traces. One important reason that our approaches outperform the Iterative approach is due to the small and constant query processing rounds in our approaches. In our experiment, our algorithms complete within two rounds; while the iterative approach incurs about 60-200 rounds. Note that the experiments on adaptive algorithm are conducted on a setting that exhibits dynamic changes with certain temporal locality. Since the algorithm dynamically adapts to the changes by switching to appropriate methods, it provides an additional saving over the other algorithms. Next, we examine the impact of a variety of query and system parameters on the performance of the proposed algorithms. In the plots, we do not show the result of baseline approaches for clarity of presentation. We also omit the plots of experiments on real traces due to space limitation. Here we first show the impact of query parameters, i.e., kind  $p$ , on performance. Figure shows the trend of transmission cost by varying  $k$  from 2 to 10. As shown, the transmission cost increases for all algorithms because the number of tuples needed for query processing is increased. Among the ESB, RSB, and LB algorithms, LB does not perform as well as others when  $k$  is small but it becomes a good choice when  $k$  becomes larger. It shows the trend of transmission cost by varying query threshold  $p$  from 0.2 to 0.7. Performance of all algorithms improves as the threshold  $p$  increases because a high threshold in general reduces the size of the result set and hence the amount of data transmitted to the base station. Among the algorithms, ESB performs the best when  $p$  is small but becomes significantly worse than the others when  $p$

becomes large. This is because ESB and LB are able to use the tighter threshold to filter out more unqualified tuples and reach a tighter necessary boundary. On the other hand, the sufficient boundary does not benefit as much. Finally, we observe that the adaptive algorithm matches very well with ESB. Next; we present results of our sensitivity tests on a number of system Parameters and data distribution.

Sensitivity test on system parameters.

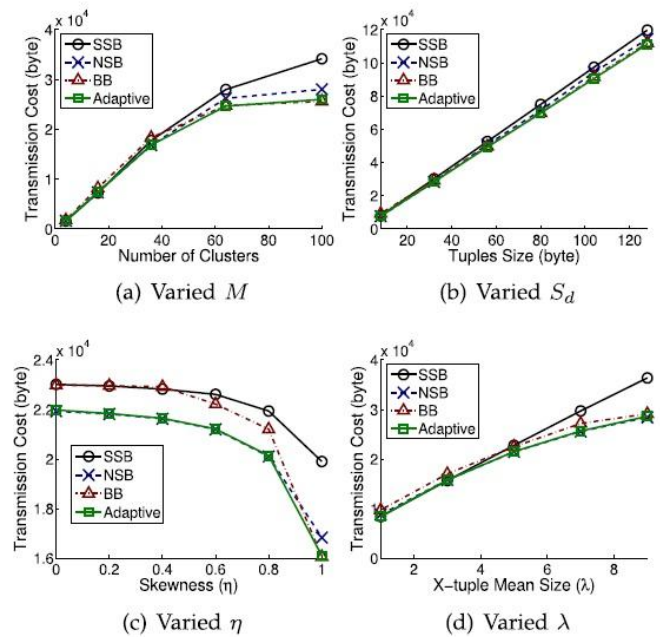


Fig. 1. Shows sensitivity rest on system parameter

We examine how the algorithms scale up by increasing the number of clusters in the system from 4, 16, 36, 64, to 100. The result, shows scales up better than ESB and RSB. As the number of clusters increases, the total amount of data transmission rises accordingly. Realizing intracluster and intercluster pruning before data transmission is an important factor for LB to outperform others in this examination. The same observation can also be made in the sensitivity test on the size of data tuples. As the primary cost in the network is tuple transmission, ESB exhibits a linear increase of transmission cost at a higher rate than ESB and LB. Again, the result shows that LB is the best choice when the tuple. The experimental result aligns with conclusion from experiments on synthetic data. Size is large. Overall, the adaptive algorithm matches up the best algorithm under all circumstances. The impact of data skewness on transmission cost. In the experiments, when the skewness is high the difference among readings in different zones is increased. As shown, the data skewness helps intracluster data pruning as the performance of every algorithm improves when the data distribution becomes more skewed. Additionally, ESB and LB take advantage of the skewed necessary sets and Necessary boundaries among local clusters to obtain their global boundaries, respectively, which are very effective for

intercluster pruning. Particularly, when  $\alpha = 1/4$ , LB shows the best performance in terms of transmission cost. Thus, adaptive algorithm approaches LB under this scenario. ESB shows a good Performance because the probability of highly ranked tuples in an x-tuple is higher. Thus adaptive algorithm chooses ESB as the best candidate. As  $\alpha$  grows, there are more tuples in an x-tuple. Thus, the size of sufficient set is linearly increased as more tuples need to be considered to set the sufficient boundary. On the other hand, although the size of necessary set also increases, it does not increase linearly since many low-probability tuples are filtered out by the probability threshold. By utilizing both sufficient and necessary boundaries, the performance of LB also gets worsen but in a slower pace due to the smaller necessary set. However, due to the overhead for exchanging boundary information, LB may not perform as well as ESB, particularly with light data skewness. Based on the above results, we find that ESB and BB generally exhibit better performance than RSA does. However, there are no clear winners for ESB and LB. As we discussed above, with larger network scale (M), larger tuple size (Sd), or extreme skewed data distribution, LB usually outperforms ESB. However, in other cases, ESB Shows better performance over LB. The adaptive algorithm reaches our expectation by achieving the least transmission Cost under all circumstances. In this section, we further test its addictiveness to dynamic sensor network environments. One important factor that has an impact on the adaptive algorithm is the size of tuning window. To figure out the optimal setting of tuning window size, we conduct an experiment by varying the window size from 1; 10; 20; . . . , to 90. To mock the dynamics of readings, we change  $\alpha$  setting among f0; 0.5; 1:0g every 50 round. As shown in Fig. 10a, there exists an optimal window size for adapting to the dynamic readings. If the window size is too small, the adaptation will be too sensitive and thus fail to get the optimal performance. On the other hand, if the window size is too large, the adaptation may lag behind the change of readings.

Tests on Adaptiveness

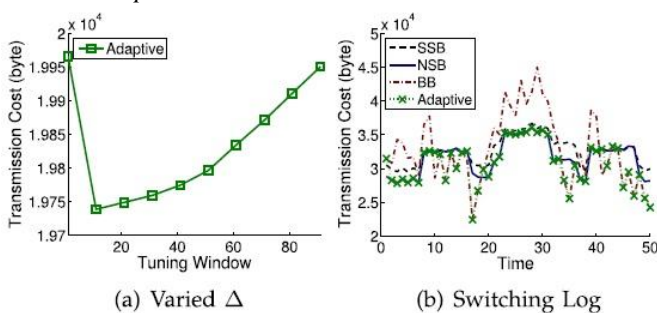


Fig. 2. Shows test on adaptiveness

Additionally, we conduct an experiment to show the behaviors of algorithms under a dynamic environment we simulate. Fig. 10b shows that the adaptive algorithm switches timely to match the best algorithms. As shown in the figure,

adaptive algorithm switches from the ESB algorithm to the LB algorithm at about time 10, then returns back to ESB at about time 20, and finally switches to the LB algorithm again at about time 30. While the different algorithms may outperform each other at different time, the adaptive algorithm adapts to the dynamic changes to achieve the least transmission cost.

Overall performance in tree topology.

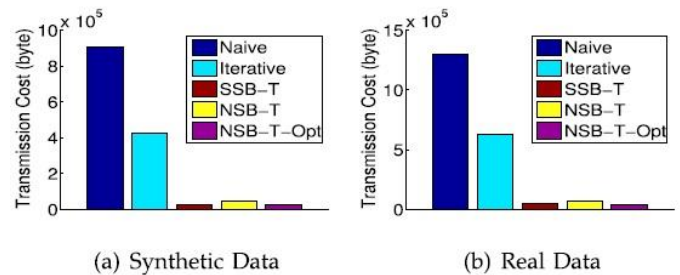


Fig. 3. Shows overall performance in tree topology

On the other hand, ESB-T-Opt address this issue through in-network suppressing of unnecessary supplementary data Transmission. From the experiment, we observe that the query for the supplementary data never reaches the leaf nodes, i.e., requests for supplementary data are fulfilled by some intermediate nodes along the routing paths. In this way, ESB T-Opt indeed optimizes the performance of ESB-T and shows excellent performance.

VII. CONCLUSION

Our experimental study shows the efficiency of our techniques under different data distributions with orders of magnitude improvement over native methods. By implementing the concept of enough set, required set and limited set for efficient in-network pruning of distributed uncertain data in probabilistic top-k query processing. Based on the proposed problematic statement, design a cost model based on communication of three proposed algorithms and propose a cost based adaptive algorithm that automatically adjust to the application dynamics. In this work we are using two-tier hierarchical structured network, the concepts of enough set and required set are universal and can easily implement in tree topology. The performance evaluation satisfies our ideas and proved that the proposed algorithm decrease data transmissions significantly.

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