

GOLDRUSH: RULE SHARING SYSTEM FOR FRAUD DETECTION

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Motivation

- Writing rules to capture precisely fraudulent transactions is a challenging task where domain experts spend significant effort and time.
- Typically, such experts work as **"lone rangers"**.
- In fact, there is a lot of commonality in what experts are trying to achieve.

Example

Expert A (USA) Transactions:

Time	Amount	Type	Country	Label
15:58	107K	Stock Trade	Dinotopia	L
16:01	104K	Stock Trade	Dinotopia	F
16:02	111K	Stock Trade	Jamonia	F
16:04	102K	Stock Trade	Dinotopia	F
16:15	96K	Stock Trade	Dinotopia	L
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$$\varphi^A : \text{Type} = \text{"Stock Trade"} \wedge \text{Amount} \geq 100K \wedge \text{Time} \geq 16:00 \wedge \text{Country} \in \{\text{Dinotopia}, \text{Jamonia}\}$$

Expert B (France) Transactions:

Time	Amount	Type	Country	Label
19:53	140K	Stock Trade	Orsinia	L
20:02	97K	Stock Trade	Orsinia	F
20:03	230K	Stock Trade	Orsinia	F
20:05	92K	Stock Trade	Orsinia	L
20:07	206K	Stock Trade	Orsinia	F
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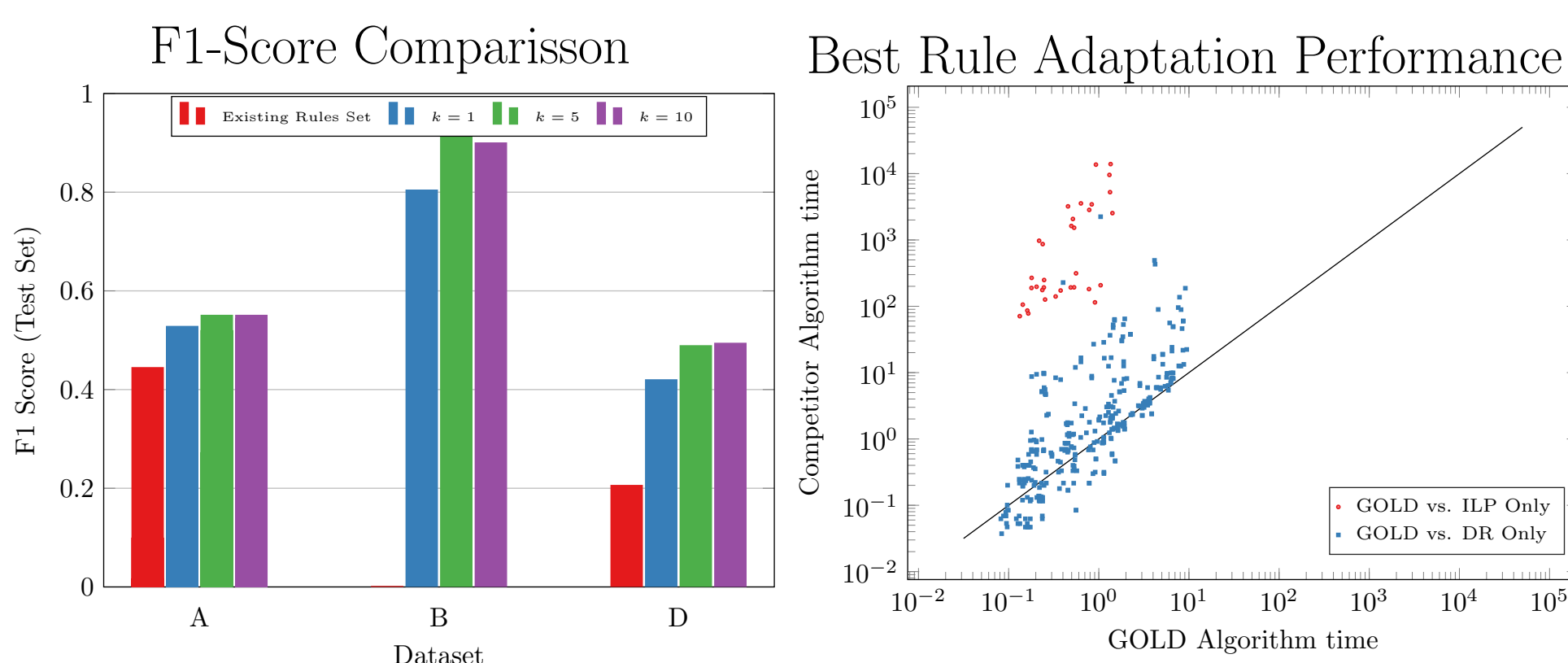
Mapping of $\{\text{Amount} \geq 100K\}$ from context A to B:

Semantics	Abstraction	Concretization
Identity	100K	100K
Currency Conversion	97K (CHF)	95K
Ammounts Distribution	upper 5%	200K
Local Regulation Limits	after hours	120K

Example of resulting rule adaptation for expert B:

$$\varphi^B : \text{Type} = \text{"Stock Trade"} \wedge \text{Amount} \geq 95K \wedge \text{Time} \geq 20:00 \wedge \text{Country} \in \{\text{Orsinia}\}$$

Experimental Evaluation



Finding the Best Rule Adaptation

Given a specific rule φ :

- Compute for each attribute its set of semantic mapping candidates: V_1, \dots, V_m
- Compute the set of candidate rule adaptations:

$$\Psi(\varphi) = \{\varphi[v'_1/v_1, \dots, v'_m/v_m] \mid v'_1 \in V_1, \dots, v'_m \in V_m\}$$

- Find the rule $\varphi' \in \Psi$ which best improves the current expert's rules set using a linear cost and benefit model:

$$w(\varphi') = (\alpha \cdot |\varphi'(F_C)| + \beta \cdot |\varphi'(F_U)|) - (\gamma \cdot |\varphi'(L_C)| + \delta \cdot |\varphi'(L_U)|)$$

- Evaluation is exponential on the number of attributes (NP-Hard!)
- We build an ILP model of the problem and solve using an ILP Solver

Data Reduction

- The ILP model size is linear on the number of transactions.
- In order to turn it practically efficient even for millions of transactions we developed a Data Reduction technique.

- For example, assume that:

$$\begin{aligned} - V_{\text{Amount}} &= \{95K, 100K, 120K, 200K\} \\ - V_{\text{Time}} &= \{16:00, 20:00\} \end{aligned}$$

- Then the third and the fifth tuples of Expert B will be **"indistinguishable"** no matter which rule will be chosen, and so we can cluster them into a single tuple with a counter:

Time	Amount	Type	Country	Label	Count
20:00	200K	Stock Trade	Orsinia	F	2

- By this way, we can cluster all the "indistinguishable" tuples in the transactions relation, storing a counter for each label:

Time	Amount	Type	Country	F_C	F_U	L_C	L_U
16:00	120K	Stock Trade	Orsinia	0	0	0	1
20:00	\perp	Stock Trade	Orsinia	0	0	0	1
20:00	95K	Stock Trade	Orsinia	0	1	0	0
20:00	200K	Stock Trade	Orsinia	0	2	0	0

- Finally, we can solve an adapted ILP model with a smaller transaction relation and with the counters inside the target function.

k-Rules Adaptation

- Generalization of the Best Rule Adaptation Problem for recommending k rule adaptations
- The goal: improve the expert's rule set Fraud Detection accuracy
- Our algorithm uses a pruning technique which, in practice, cuts 66% to 75% of the Best Rule Adaptation algorithm executions.