

# Resource-constrained Graphical Models for App Usage Mining

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Binary	app <sub>1</sub>	 app <sub>m</sub>
usr <sub>1</sub>	1	0
usr	0	1





Frequent

usr<sub>1</sub>

usr<sub>n</sub>

app<sub>1</sub>

#starts

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 $app_m$ 

#starts(n,m)



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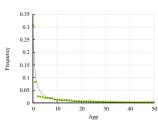
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### **Probability Distributions of Apps**

App usage follows the Zipf or Mandelbrot distribution:

The probability of an app is inverse proportional to its rank: p(n) = 1/n



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com los sex autoridos play home y comb
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- Additional attributes of users can be predicted.





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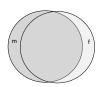
### Predicting Attributes -- Gender

Menthal data from Alexander Markowetz

https://menthal.org

- 42,482 men and 31,700 women were logged.
- Top 99 apps of women and top 99 apps of men overlap by 82 apps.
- We can predict the gender by app usage data using logistic regression and the L1 norm: accuracy 91.2%.

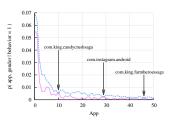
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### Inspecting the Results -- Gender

- Menthal data from Alexander Markowetz https://menthal.org
- 42,482 men and 31,700 women were logged.
- Ranking apps according to their frequency, compare rankings of men and women.
- Largest differences:
  - ClashOfClans men 80, women 219
  - FarmHeroes men 249, women 78
  - GoogleDocs men 52, women 92

Frequent	app <sub>1</sub>	 app <sub>m</sub>
usr <sub>1</sub>	#starts	
usr <sub>n</sub>		#starts(n,m)



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appm

#starts(n, m)

 $app_m$ 

 $app_m$ 

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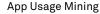
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Usr<sub>n</sub>

Usr:

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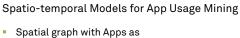
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  - When did user, use app;?
    Discretized time of day: 30 minutes

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- nodes and edges based on covariance matrix. Windows of 30 minutes
- arranged for a day. Likelihood of an app at a particular time of day.
- Data from 8 users, public:

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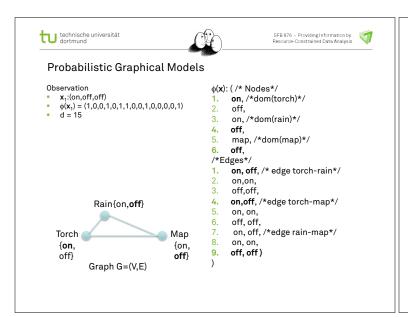


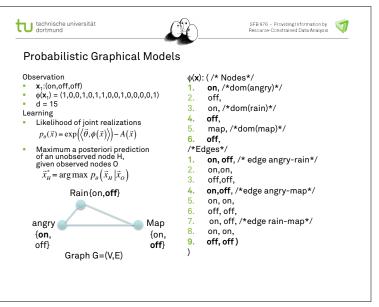


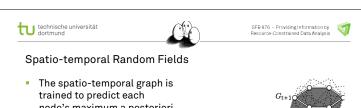




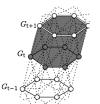








- trained to predict each
  node's maximum a posteriori
  probability with the marginal
  probabilities.
- Generative model predicting all nodes.
   Maximum a posteriori prediction of an unobserved node H, given observed nodes O.
- The learned model answers diverse questions – you only need to choose H.

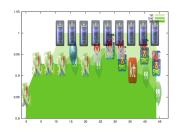


### STRF modeling usage of apps on Android phones

- Probability of an app being switched on
- Ranking according probability

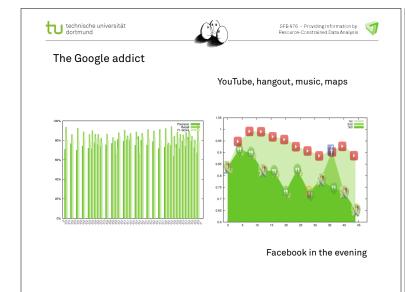
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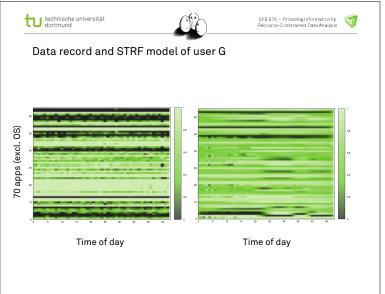
 Show the first three ranks with their probability.



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User G keeps battery on, plays Angry Bird, and looks up the map and communicates using hangout.







these apps,

will be empty.



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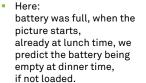
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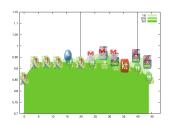


Warn the user based on the prediction

Given the likelihood of apps,

the energy consumption of

Calculate when the battery







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### Graphical models on resource-restricted processors

- Spatio-Temporal Random Fields on the phone. but
- Power consumption is restricted!
- "The most obvious technique to conserve power is to reduce the number of cycles it takes to complete a workload." (Intel 64, IA-32 architectures optimization reference manual, guidelines for extending battery life)
- Restrict the parameter space of the Markov Random Field  $\theta \in \{0,1,...,K\} \subset \mathbb{N}$

	Sandy Bridge		ARM 11	
	Real	Int	Real	Int
+	3	1	8	1
*	5	3	8	4-5
/	14	13-15	19	-
Bit shift	-	3	-	2

Clock cycles for arithmetics on different processors: Real vs. integer.

Graph model tree-structured

Parameter space transformation

Transform the parameter space:

$$\eta_i(\theta) = \theta_i \ln 2$$

$$MRF:$$

$$p(\vec{x}) = \frac{1}{Z(\theta)} \exp\left(\sum_{i} \theta_{i} \phi_{i}(\vec{x})\right)$$

$$= \exp[\langle \theta, \phi(\vec{x}) \rangle - A(\theta)]$$

IntegerMRF:

$$p(\vec{x}) = \exp[\langle \eta(\theta), \phi(\vec{x}) \rangle]$$

$$= 2^{[\langle \theta, \phi(x) \rangle - A(\eta(\theta))]}$$

$$= \frac{2^{\langle \theta, \phi(x) \rangle}}{\sum 2^{\langle \theta, \phi(y) \rangle}}$$





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### Integer belief propagation

- Simply replacing the exp(.) by  $2^{(.)}$  is not sufficient
  - Overflows are normally avoided by normalization.
  - Normalization is impossible in integer division.
- Magnitude of messages corresponds to probability
  - Use the length of each message

$$\begin{split} m_{v \to u}(y) &= \sum_{x \in \mathbf{N}_{v}} \exp\left(\theta_{vu=xy} + \theta_{v=x}\right) \prod_{w \in N_{v} - \{u\}} m_{wu}(x) \\ \tilde{m}_{v \to u}(y) &= \sum_{x \in \mathbf{N}_{v}} 2^{\left(\theta_{vu=xy} + \theta_{v=x}\right)} \prod_{w \in N_{v} - \{u\}} \tilde{m}_{wu}(x) \\ \beta_{v \to u}(y) &= \max_{x \in \mathbf{N}_{v}} \theta_{vu=xy} + \theta_{v=x} + \sum_{w \in N_{v} - \{u\}} \beta_{wu}(x) \end{split}$$

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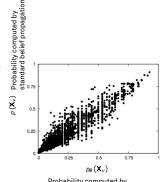


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### Discretized probability space

- Belief propagation is now bitlength propagation, i.e. the MAP and marginals are computed using the bit-length.
- The approximation error depends on the number of neighboring nodes and the space of states.
- Some true probabilities (v axis) cannot be expressed by the integer approximation (x axis).



Probability computed by bit-length approximation





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intMRF





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- Code and local data available at

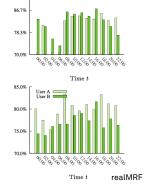
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### Experiments

- User A
  - 2064 vertices (app at time = {on, off})
  - 23368 spatio-temporal edges
  - 38 training instances,
     32 test instances
- User B
  - 2064 vertices
  - 14998 spatio-temporal edges
  - 125 training instances
     119 test instances
- Comparing integer MRF and real MRF
  - Average of 50 trainings
  - Runtime: intMRF 156 (136) s realMRF 466 (419) s
  - Predicting apps at t+1, given apps at t







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