

From **Diversity**-based Prediction to Better Ontology & Schema Matching

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Schema Matching

- Given two schemata $S = \{a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n\}$ and $S' = \{b_1, b_2, \dots, b_m\}$, identify corresponding $\sigma_{i,j} = (a_i, b_j)$ attribute pairs
- Schema Matching is usually a two-stepped process
 - **First line matching**: determines the similarity $M_{i,j}$ between any pair (a_i, b_j)
 - **Second line matching**: selects pairs to be included in a match σ

$S_1 \rightarrow$ $\downarrow S_2$	cardNum	city	arrival Day	checkIn Time
clientNum	0.84	0.32	0.32	0.30
city	0.29	1.00	0.33	0.30
checkInDate	0.34	0.33	0.35	0.64

$S_1 \rightarrow$ $\downarrow S_2$	cardNum	city	arrival Day	checkIn Time
clientNum	1	0	0	0
city	0	1	0	0
checkInDate	0	0	0	1

$$\sigma = \{ (\text{clientNum}, \text{cardNum}), (\text{city}, \text{city}), (\text{checkInDate}, \text{checkIn Time}) \}$$

Schema Matching Performance Prediction

- **Prediction Task:** Given a pair (M, σ) of 1LM similarity matrix and a 2LM match determine how good the attribute correspondences $\sigma_{i,j}$ are?
- A good match is one with both high Precision and high Recall
- Prediction is made in two main levels (Sagi and Gal)
 - **Matrix-level prediction**
 - Given (M, σ) , a good predictor should provide a prediction that correlates as much as possible with the actual match quality.
 - E.g.,: MAX/STDEV predictors have high correlation to Recall, while AVG/Dominants predictors have high correlation to Precision
 - **Entry-level prediction**
 - Given entry $\sigma_{i,j}$, a good predictor should assign higher confidence to $\sigma_{i,j}$ whenever this is a true match (and low otherwise).
 - This work propose a new diversity-based schema matching predictor

Match Diversity: Motivation

- Using MWBM as 2LM:

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- Yet, pair (2,2) may be a risky selection!
 - It has a relatively low confidence
 - Its “competitor” pairs also have low confidence
- Pair (2,2) should be considered as a **false-positive**
 - Higher chance for improving Precision than hurting Recall
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Match Competitor Deviation (MCD)

- Single entry deviation:

$$\Delta_{i,j} = (M_{i,j} - \mu_{i,j})^2$$

$$\mu_{i,j} = \frac{1}{n+m-1} \left(\sum_{l=1}^n M_{l,j} + \sum_{l=1}^m M_{i,l} - M_{i,j} \right)$$

- Match deviation:

$$Q_{\text{MCD}}(\sigma, M) = \sqrt{\frac{1}{|\sigma|} \sum_{(i,j) \in \sigma} \Delta_{i,j}}$$

- An optimal MCD match is suggested
- Main idea: find a match with both high confidence (MWBM) and high selection diversity (MCD)

MWBM vs. MCD Optimality Tradeoff

- **Bad news:** the optimality of MWBM may violate the optimality of MCD (and via versa)

- **Moreover, we show that:**

– For any possible match σ : $Q_{\text{MWBM}}(\sigma, M) \geq Q_{\text{MCD}}(\sigma, M)$

– If σ' is MWBM optimal match and σ'' is MCD optimal match, then:

$$\begin{aligned}
 Q_{\text{MWBM}}(\sigma', M) &\geq Q_{\text{MWBM}}(\sigma'', M) \quad (\text{MWBM optimality}) \\
 &\geq Q_{\text{MCD}}(\sigma'', M) \quad (\text{Proposition 1}) \\
 &\geq Q_{\text{MCD}}(\sigma', M) \quad (\text{MCD optimality})
 \end{aligned}$$

– MWBM optimality ratio: $\alpha = \frac{Q_{\text{MWBM}}(\sigma'', M)}{Q_{\text{MWBM}}(\sigma', M)}$

- Worst ratio:

$$\alpha \leq \frac{1}{\min(n, m)}$$

MCD-based Match Regularization

- Main idea: find a match with both high confidence (MWBM) and high selection diversity (MCD)

– Essentially it is a [bi-objective optimization](#) problem:

$$\max_{\sigma \in \Sigma} \{ Q_{\text{MWBM}}(\sigma, M), Q_{\text{MCD}}(\sigma, M) \}$$

– For any given β in $[0,1]$ this is equivalent to maximizing the weighted product mean:

$$Q(\sigma, M) = Q_{\text{MCD}}(\sigma, M)^\beta Q_{\text{MWBM}}(\sigma, M)^{1-\beta}$$

– Therefore, the effect of MCD on the optimization (and as a result, on the decisions made by MWBM) can be controlled.

- Higher β will result in a more diverse match (with an expected increase in Precision)

– Unfortunately, the maximization problem is NP-Hard

Match Quality Optimization as a Rare-Event Estimation Problem

- Original deterministic optimization problem:

$$\gamma^* = Q(\sigma^*, M) = \max_{\sigma \in \Sigma} Q(\sigma, M)$$

- Associated stochastic problem:

$$l(\gamma) = \mathbb{P}_v(Q(\Sigma, M) \geq \gamma) = \mathbb{E}_v(\delta_{[Q(\Sigma, M) \geq \gamma]}).$$

- Yet, since the problem is NP-Hard, the estimation given γ^* becomes a **rare event estimation problem**
- Solution: Cross Entropy (CE) method

Cross Entropy Matcher (CEM)

Algorithm 2 Cross Entropy Matcher

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1: input: similarity matrix  $M, N, \rho, \lambda$ 
2: initialize:
3: for  $i = 1, \dots, m; j = 1, \dots, n$  do
4:    $v_{i,j}^0 = \frac{1}{2}$ 
5: end for
6:  $t = 1$ 
7: loop
8:   Randomly draw  $N$  matches  $\sigma \in \Sigma$  using  $v^{t-1}$ 
9:    $\Sigma_l = \text{sort}_{l=1, \dots, N}(\mathcal{Q}(\sigma_l, M))$ 
10:   $\gamma_t = \text{quantile}_{1-\rho}(\vec{\Sigma}_l)$ 
11:  for  $i = 1, \dots, n; j = 1, \dots, m$  do
12:     $v_{i,j}^t := \frac{\sum_{l=1}^N \delta[\mathcal{Q}(\sigma_l, M) \geq \gamma_t] \delta[(i,j) \in \sigma_l]}{\sum_{l=1}^N \delta[\mathcal{Q}(\sigma_l, M) \geq \gamma_t]}$ 
13:     $v_{i,j}^t := \lambda v_{i,j}^{t-1} + (1-\lambda)v_{i,j}^t$ 
14:  end for
15:  if  $\gamma_t$  converged then
16:    stop and return random match  $\sigma^*$  sampled from  $f(v^t)$ 
17:  else
18:     $t := t + 1$ 
19:  end if
20: end loop

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$$l(\gamma) = \mathbb{P}_{v_\gamma}(\mathcal{Q}(\Sigma, M) \geq \gamma) \geq \rho$$

Using importance sampling, on each iteration, we learn the next reference parameter that is based on an estimation of a less-rare event which advances our target towards the optimal match

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14:  end
15:  if  $\gamma_t$ 
16:    st
17:  else
18:    t
19:  end
20: end lo

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Reinforce those pairs that belong to “elite” samples that guarantee at least some minimum required level of match quality

$$v_{i,j}^t := \frac{\sum_{l=1}^N \delta[\mathcal{Q}(\sigma_l, M) \geq \gamma_t] \delta[(i,j) \in \sigma_l]}{\sum_{l=1}^N \delta[\mathcal{Q}(\sigma_l, M) \geq \gamma_t]}$$

Datasets & Setup

■ Datasets:

Dataset	#Schemas	#Attr	#Pairs
Web-forms	147	10-30	247
Thalia	44	6-17	18
OAEI	101	80-100	100
Purchase Order	10	50-400	44
University Applications	16	50-150	182

■ 1LMs:

Matcher	System	Type
Term	Ontobuilder [24]	Syntactic
Token Path	AMC [25]	Syntactic
WordNet [29, 16, 28]	ORE	Semantic

■ 2LMs:

MWBM, Stable Marriage (SM), Dominants (Harmony),
 Threshold(v), Max-Delta(δ)

■ CEM

- $N=10,000$, $\rho=0.01$, $\lambda=0.3$ (default)
- $\beta=\{0.1, 0.2, \dots, 0.9\}$

MCD as Matrix-level Predictor

- Prediction over 960 matrices generated by running all 1LMs on 90 different schema pairs sampled from the three datasets.
- 2LMs: Max-Delta(0.1), Threshold(0.5), MWBM and SM.
- Quality of prediction measured by **Pearson's r correlation** to actual match quality measures
- MCD has the best correlation to Precision
- **The MWBM/MCD bi-objective is expected to yield good quality results** (while MAX is highly correlated with Recall, MCD is highly correlated with Precision)

Predictor	P Correlation	R Correlation
BMM	.379**	.206**
LMM	.246**	.338**
Max	.180**	.506**
STDEV	.124**	.630**
Avg	.565**	.077**
Dominants	.429**	.039
LC	.425**	.048
MCD	.568**	-.002

$$\text{Max}(M) = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \max_i$$

MCD as Entry-level Predictor

- Based on sample obtained from two randomly selected schema pairs from the Web-forms dataset, matched using all 1LMs.
- Overall 5869 entries were obtained.
- Quality of prediction is measured by **Goodman-Kruskal Gamma correlation**
- MCD exhibits significantly better correlation
- **Using MCD would allow to reduce the number of false-positively matched pairs**

	MCD		CRV		CNV		Val	
	Γ	sig.	Γ	sig.	Γ	sig.	Γ	sig.
Term	0.98	0.018	0.91	0	0.95	0	0.96	0
Token Path	0.93	0.002	0.67	0	0.67	0	0.34	0.042
WordNet	0.93	0	0.51	0.01	0.59	0	0.67	0

CEM Match Quality

- CEM compared with all other 2LMs (Threshold and Max-Delta parameters were further tuned so as to maximize F1)

	Threshold			Max-Delta			Dominants			SM			MWBM			CEM		
	P	R	F1	P	R	F1	P	R	F1	P	R	F1	P	R	F1	P	R	F1
Token Path	.02	.03	.02	.20	.67	.30	.48	.45	.45	.27	.62	.36	.32	.58	.41	.29	.60	.38
Term	.51	.43	.41	.27	.78	.38	.09	.67	.15	.28	.64	.37	.41	.63	.48	.53**	.60	.55**
WordNet	.36	.52	.38	.15	.67	.24	.20	.62	.29	.20	.45	.27	.26	.46	.32	.40**	.47	.42**

(a) Web-forms

	Threshold			Max-Delta			Dominants			SM			MWBM			CEM		
	P	R	F1	P	R	F1	P	R	F1	P	R	F1	P	R	F1	P	R	F1
Token Path	.00	.00	.00	.25	.53	.33	.46	.46	.45	.31	.56	.40	.33	.54	.41	.42	.54	.45
Term	.53	.48	.48	.25	.55	.33	.44	.53	.47	.32	.58	.40	.30	.52	.37	.59**	.46	.50**
WordNet	.57	.51	.51	.34	.72	.45	.50	.63	.53	.39	.71	.50	.43	.66	.51	.67**	.52	.56**

(b) Thalia

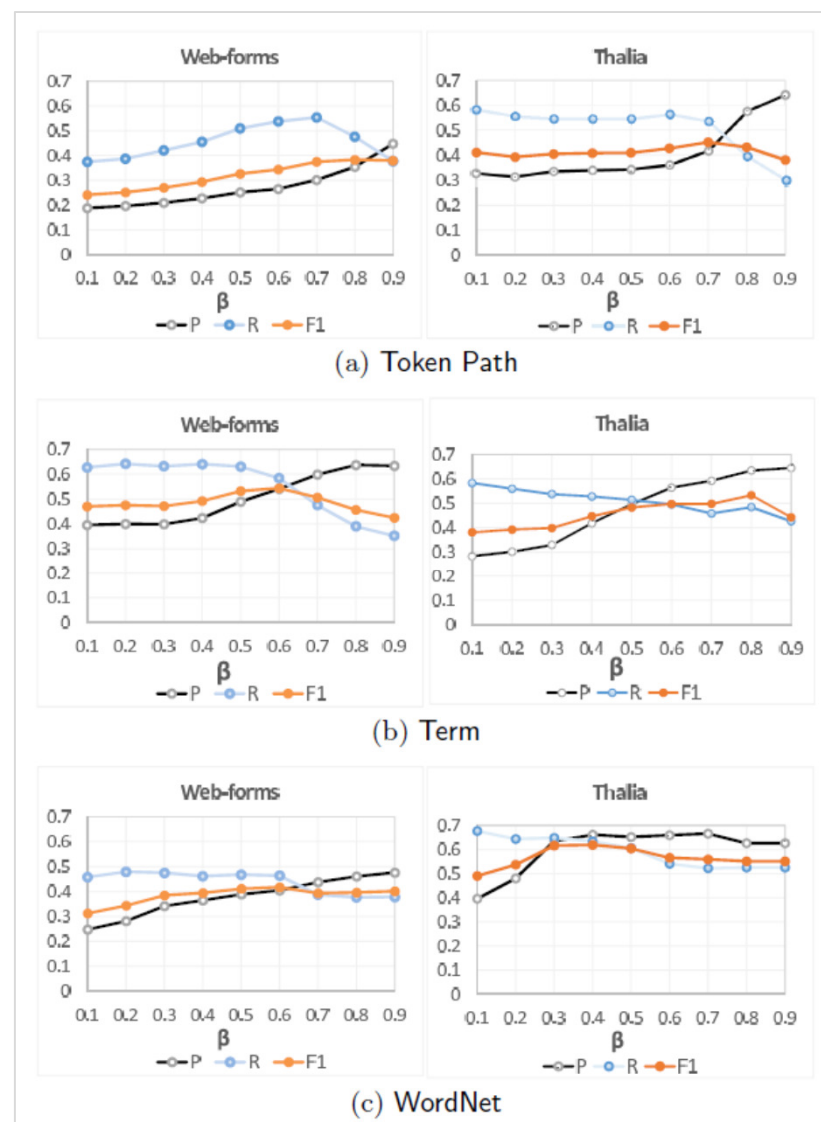
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	P	R	F1	P	R	F1	P	R	F1	P	R	F1	P	R	F1	P	R	F1
Token Path	.43	.28	.22	.10	.69	.17	.61	.52	.55	.39	.47	.43	.50	.50	.50	.29	.27	.27
Term	.10	.61	.17	.07	.66	.13	.31	.61	.38	.37	.45	.40	.46	.45	.45	.48	.44	.46
WordNet	.13	.27	.16	.15	.54	.23	.22	.46	.29	.28	.34	.31	.39	.35	.36	.53**	.41	.45**

(c) OAEI

- Up to **25% improvement in F1** (compared to second-best 2LM)
- Specifically, **up to 35% and 55% improvement in F1 and Precision** compared to MWBM

MCD and the Precision vs. Recall Tradeoff

- For all 1LMs, higher β gives more emphasis to the MCD objective yielding increased Precision at the expense of Recall.
- Trend is most notable for the Term 1LM (with $R^2 = 0.93$ and $R^2 = 0.97$ for the Web-forms and Thalia datasets, respectively) compared to the two other 1LM (with an average of $R^2 = 0.92$ and $R^2 = 0.60$).



Conclusions & Future Work

- We presented a new schema and ontology matching predictor, MCD, discussed its properties, and used it to enhance the performance of an existing state-of-the-art matcher.
- Our empirical evaluation shows MCD to be more predictive than any known matching predictor in the literature so far. We also demonstrated empirically its usefulness for matching.
- **Future work:**
 - Evaluate the impact of MCD predictor on additional matchers
 - Explore additional match diversification methods
 - Develop new baseline 1LMs whose decisions include diversification considerations

Thanks

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Backup slides

MCD Optimization

Algorithm 1 MCD

```
1: input:  $M(n, m)$ 
2: for  $(i, j) \in M$  do
3:    $\Delta_{i,j} := (M_{i,j} - \mu_{i,j})^2$ 
4: end for
5:  $k := \min(n, m)$ 
6:  $\sigma^* := \emptyset$ 
7: for  $p = 1, \dots, k$  do
8:    $\sigma := \text{MWBM}(\Delta, p)$ 
9:   if  $Q_{\text{MCD}}(\sigma, M) > Q_{\text{MCD}}(\sigma^*, M)$  then
10:     $\sigma^* := \sigma$ 
11:   end if
12: end for
13: return  $\sigma^*$ 
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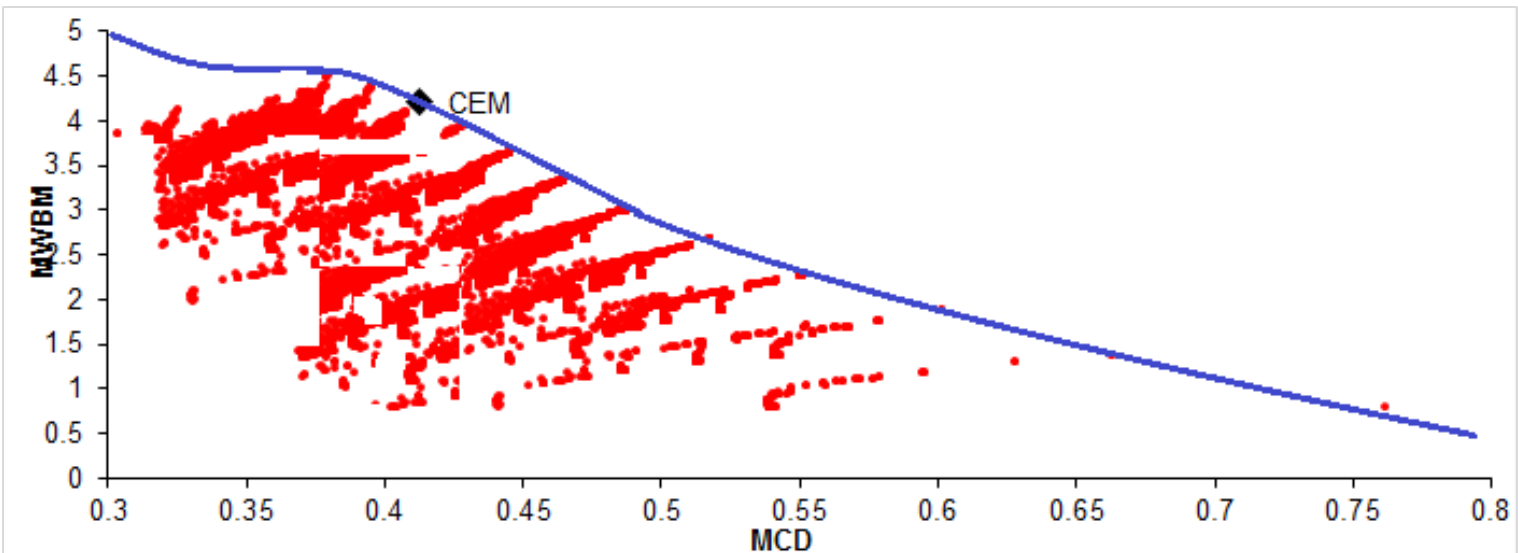
Pareto Optimality

DEFINITION 2 (PARETO OPTIMAL MATCH). *Given a similarity matrix M , match $\sigma \in \Sigma$ is a Pareto optimal solution to the bi-objective optimization problem (Eq. 5) if for any other match $\sigma' \in \Sigma$ one of the following holds:*

$$Q_{\text{MWBM}}(\sigma, M) \leq Q_{\text{MWBM}}(\sigma', M) \Rightarrow Q_{\text{MCD}}(\sigma, M) > Q_{\text{MCD}}(\sigma', M),$$

or

$$Q_{\text{MCD}}(\sigma, M) \leq Q_{\text{MCD}}(\sigma', M) \Rightarrow Q_{\text{MWBM}}(\sigma, M) > Q_{\text{MWBM}}(\sigma', M).$$



Random Match Sampling

- Odds for selecting a single edge:

$$\mathbb{P}_{v_{i,j}}(\delta_{i,j}) = v_{i,j}^{\delta_{i,j}} (1 - v_{i,j})^{1-\delta_{i,j}}$$

- Odds for selecting a sub-set of E:

$$f(E'; v) = \prod_{(i,j) \in E'} v_{i,j}^{\delta_{i,j}} (1 - v_{i,j})^{1-\delta_{i,j}}$$

- Adjustment for correct 1:1 match:

$$Q'(E', M) = \begin{cases} Q(E', M), & E' \in \Sigma \\ -\infty & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Algorithm 3 Random Match Sampling

```

1: input:  $M, v$ 
2:  $E := \{(i, j); i = 1, \dots, n; j = 1, \dots, m\}$ 
3:  $\sigma := \emptyset$ 
4: while  $E \neq \emptyset$  do
5:   select next edge  $(i, j) \in E$  to consider at random
6:   draw  $u \sim U[0, 1]$ 
7:   if  $v_{i,j} \geq u$  then
8:      $\sigma := \sigma \cup \{(i, j)\}$ 
9:      $E := E \setminus \{(i, j)\}$ 
10:  end if
11:  for  $(i', j') \in S$  do
12:    if  $i' = i \vee j' = j$  then
13:       $E := E \setminus \{(i', j')\}$ 
14:    end if
15:  end for
16: end while
17: return  $\sigma$ 

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Reference Parameter Derivation

$$l(\gamma_t) = \mathbb{P}_{v^{t-1}}(\delta_{[\mathcal{Q}(\Sigma, M) \geq \gamma_t]}) = \mathbb{E}_{v^{t-1}}(\delta_{[\mathcal{Q}(\Sigma, M) \geq \gamma_t]})$$

$$\mathbb{E}_{v^{t-1}}(\delta_{[\mathcal{Q}(\Sigma, M) \geq \gamma_t]}) \frac{f(\Sigma; v^t)}{f(\Sigma; v^t)} = \int_{\Sigma} \delta_{[\mathcal{Q}(\Sigma, M) \geq \gamma_t]} f(\Sigma; v^{t-1}) \frac{f(\Sigma; v^t)}{f(\Sigma; v^t)} d\sigma$$

$$l_{LR}(\gamma_t) = \mathbb{E}_{v^t}(\delta_{[\mathcal{Q}(\Sigma, M) \geq \gamma_t]}) \frac{f(\Sigma; v^{t-1})}{f(\Sigma; v^t)}$$

$$\hat{l}_{LR}(\gamma_t) = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{k=1}^N \delta_{[\mathcal{Q}(\sigma_k, M) \geq \gamma_t]} \frac{f(\sigma_k; v^{t-1})}{f(\sigma_k; v^t)}$$

$$\sigma_k \sim f(\cdot; v^t); k = 1, \dots, N.$$

$$f^*(\Sigma) = \frac{\delta_{[\mathcal{Q}(\Sigma, M) \geq \gamma_t]} f(\Sigma, v^{t-1})}{l(\gamma_t)}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{D}_{KL}(f^*(\Sigma), f(\Sigma; v^t)) &= \mathbb{E}_{f^*} \ln \frac{f^*(\Sigma)}{f(\Sigma; v^t)} \\ &= \int_{\Sigma} f^*(\Sigma) \ln f^*(\Sigma) d\sigma - \int_{\Sigma} f^*(\Sigma) \ln f(\Sigma; v^t) d\sigma \end{aligned}$$

Reference Parameter Derivation

$$\max_{v^t} \int_{\Sigma} \frac{\delta_{[\mathcal{Q}(\Sigma, M) \geq \gamma_t]} f(\Sigma, v^{t-1})}{l(\gamma_t)} \ln f(\Sigma, v^t) d\sigma$$

$$\max_{v^t} \mathbb{E}_{v^{t-1}} (\delta_{[\mathcal{Q}(\Sigma, M) \geq \gamma_t]}) \ln f(\Sigma, v^t)$$

$$\max_{v^t} \frac{1}{N} \sum_{k=1}^N \delta_{[\mathcal{Q}(\sigma_k, M) \geq \gamma_t]} \ln f(\sigma_k, v^t)$$

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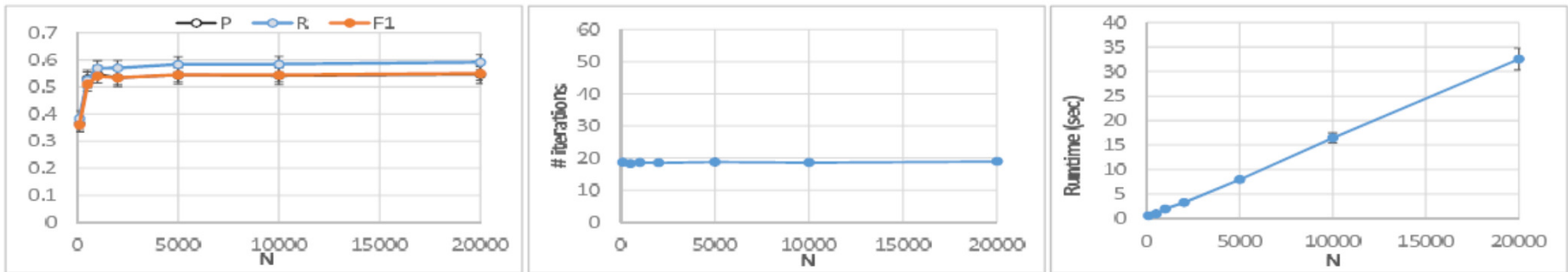
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$$\frac{\partial}{\partial v_{i,j}^t} \left(\frac{1}{N} \sum_{k=1}^N \delta_{[\mathcal{Q}'(\sigma_k, M) \geq \gamma_t]} \ln f(\sigma_k, v^t) \right) = 0$$

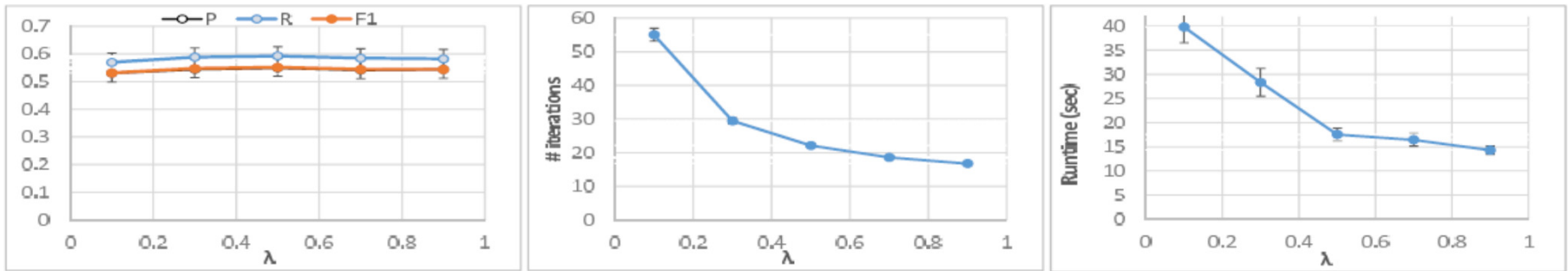
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CEM Sensitivity Analysis



(a) Sample Size (N)



(b) Model Smoothing (λ)

