



# Optimizing Impression Counts for Outdoor Advertising

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Impression Counts for Outdoor Advertising

Input:

Trajectory Billboards Budget (1) Billboard database *U*; (2) Trajectory database *T*; (3) Budget constraint *B*; (4) Influence Measurement *I(S)* Output:

Subset  $S \subseteq U$  that maximizes the overall influence of S such that the total cost of S does not exceed B.

 $\underset{cost(S) \leq B}{\operatorname{argmax}} I(S)$ 



#### 2. Influence Measurement

 $\underset{cost(S) \leq B}{\operatorname{argmax}} I(S)$ 

$$I(S) = \sum_{t_j \in T} I(S, t_j) \quad (Ping \ et \ al., \ SIGKDD \ 2018 \ [1])$$

Is It enough for impressing a person only one time?

One-time impression is not enough (Gershon et al., 1985[2]; William et al., 2003 [3])









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#### Influence Measurement



## 1. Influence Measurement is not submodular

- No approximation ratio for a greedy-based algorithm

Upper-bound Estimation (submodular)

2. NP-hard to approximate within any constant factor Branch-and-Bound Framework

Challenges













Strategy 1

#### Branch-and-Bound Framework



# Optimization

	Approximation Ratio	Effectiveness	Efficiency
BBS: Branch–and–Bound Framework	$\frac{1}{2}(1-\frac{1}{e})$	1X	1X
PBBS: Branch-and-Bound Framework with Progressive Bound-Estimation	$\frac{\theta}{2}(1-\frac{1}{e}-\epsilon)$	0.92X	50X

#### Experiment - Statistics of datasets

	$ \mathcal{T} ^{1}$	$ \mathcal{U} ^2$	AvgDistance	AvgTravelTime	AvgPoint
NYC	600k	1500	2.9km	569s	159
LA	250k	2500	2.7km	511s	138





<sup>1</sup> TLC; <sup>2</sup> Lamar

## Experiment - Algorithms

- Greedy: Maximum ratio of marginal influence gain to cost
- Top-k: Maximum number of trajectories
- **BBS**: Branch-and-bound framework
- PBBS: Branch-and-bound framework with progressive Bound Estimation
- LazyProbe: The best-performing method in [1]







## Scalability test in NYC



Comparison with LazyProbe

## Conclusion

- Real Problem
  - Meet more than one billboard in each travel (Impression Count)
  - Non-uniform cost of billboards
  - Budget
- Real Solution
  - While having the approximation guarantee
- Real-world Trajectory Dataset and Billboard Dataset

#### Takeaways

- Personal driving trajectories
- Personal identification of trajectories
- Digital Billboards

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Varying  $\epsilon$  in NYC



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# Varying $\lambda$ in NYC



#### Test on different cost setting strategies



#### Varying the budget *B*



#### Varying the number of trajectories |T|





