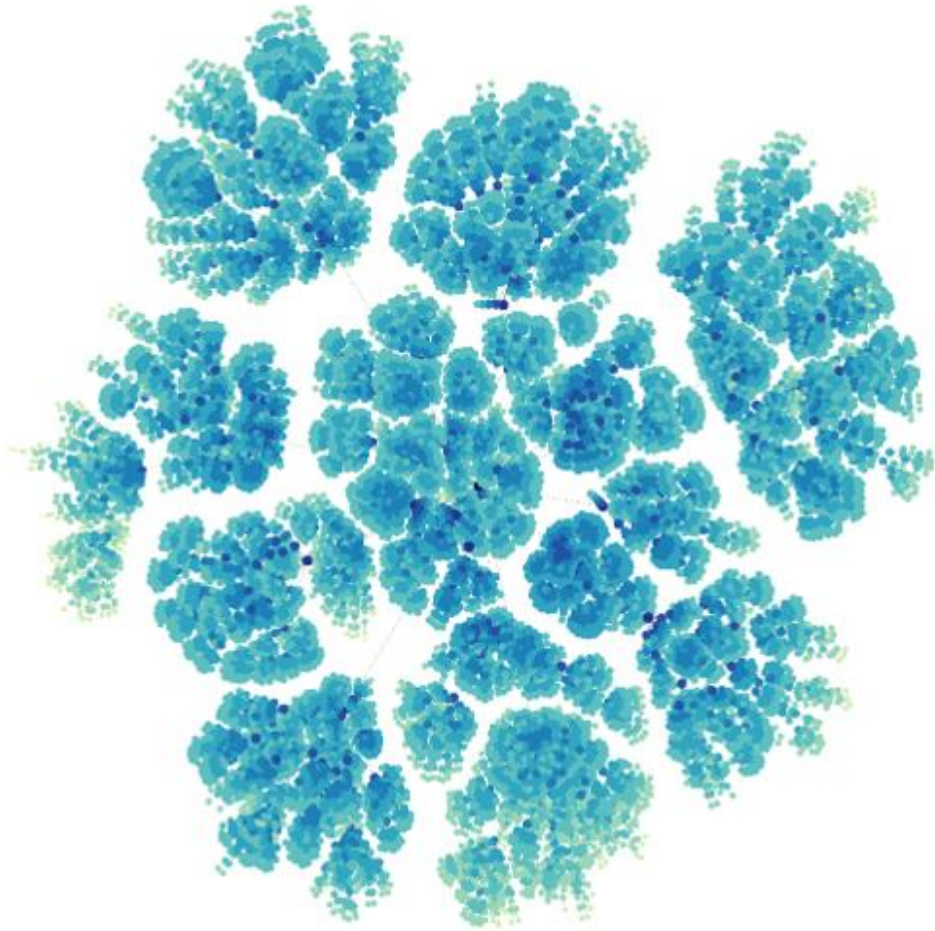


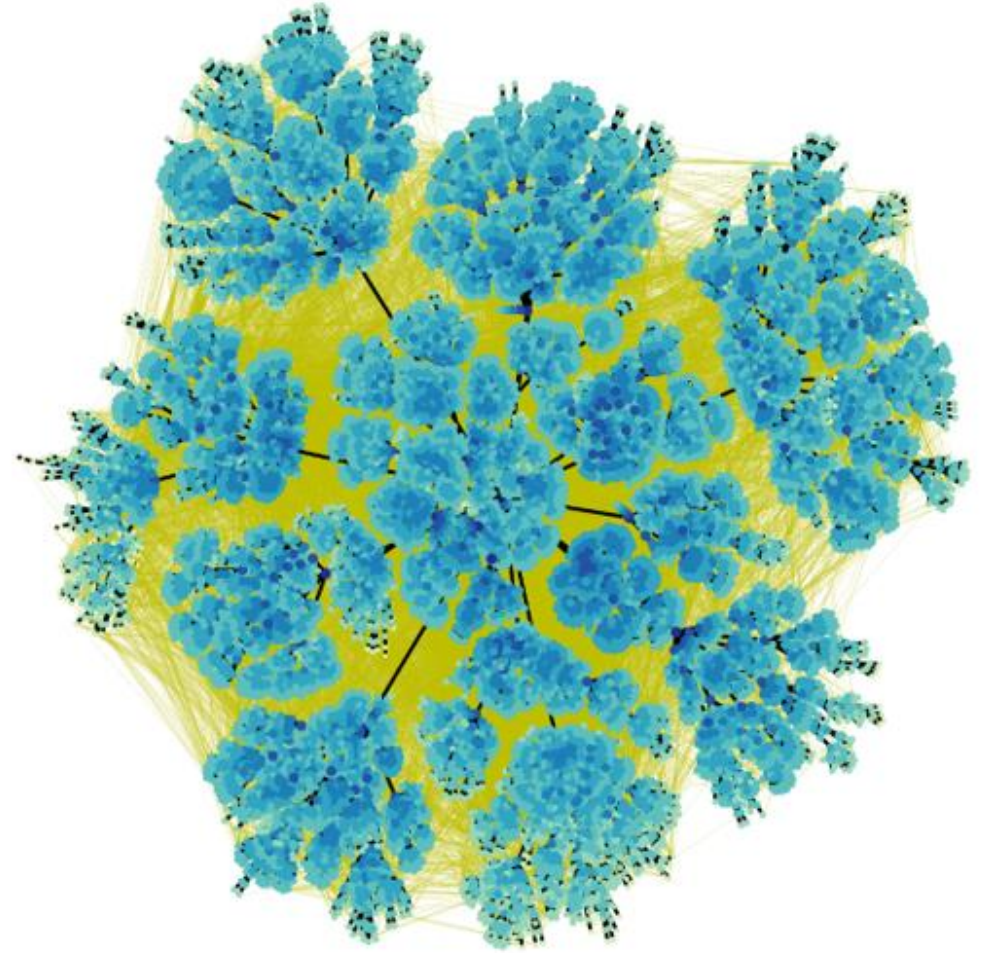
XianFeng Project

Average Shortest Path Distance Minimization
via Shortcut Edge Addition problem

Research Background



Organization Tree



Cooperation Network

Significance of Edge Modification

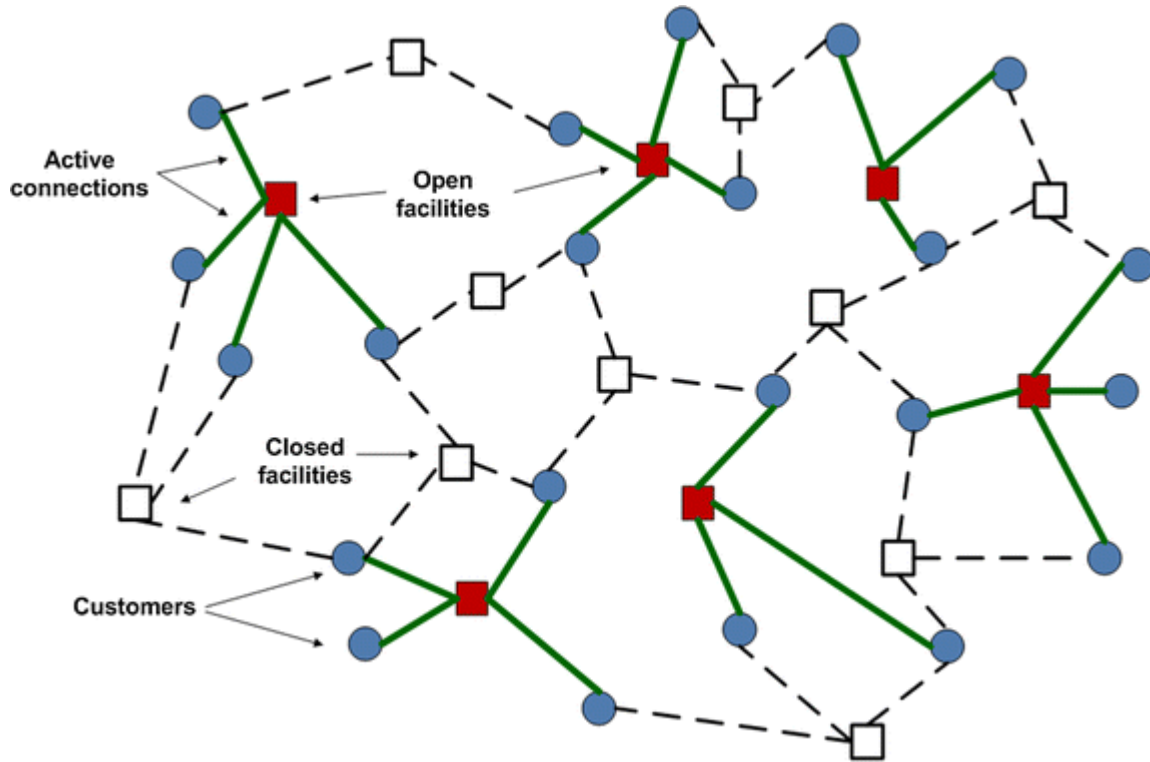
- **Cuts:** removal of existing edges (community partition)
- **Shortcuts:** addition of edges between two nodes
(argumentation of graph)
- **Small changes on the structure of a graph can have a dramatic effect on its connectivity.**

Theoretical perspective :

Facility Location Problem

- Facility Location Problem(选址问题) 是运筹学和计算图论学中的分支。它是一个经典的优化问题，通过选择合适的工厂或仓库地址，在满足客户需要和条件限制的情况下使得成本最少。 (NP-hard)
- The k-median Problem. a variant of the *uncapacitated facility location problem* in graph. (NP-hard)

The k-median Problem



$$\begin{aligned} &\text{minimize} && \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^m c_{ij} x_{ij} \\ &\text{subject to:} && \sum_{j=1}^m x_{ij} = 1 \quad \text{for } i = 1, \dots, n \\ &&& \sum_{j=1}^m y_j = k \\ &&& x_{ij} \leq y_j \quad \text{for } i = 1, \dots, n; j = 1, \dots, m \\ &&& x_{ij} \in \{0, 1\} \quad \text{for } i = 1, \dots, n; j = 1, \dots, m \\ &&& y_j \in \{0, 1\} \quad \text{for } j = 1, \dots, m \\ &&& \sum_{i=1}^n x_{ij} \leq y_j, \text{ for } j = 1, \dots, m. \end{aligned}$$

There exists a **polynomial-time $O(1)$ -approximation algorithm** for k-median Problem with penalties.

Theoretical perspective:

Edge Effectiveness

- Greedy Algorithm
- Heuristic algorithm
- Others : Hierarchical clustering (betweenness)

Experiment

- Path Screening Method (Manos Papagelis. 2015.)
- Better to attach a shortcut on nodes of a shortest path

Input: A Social Graph $G(V, E)$

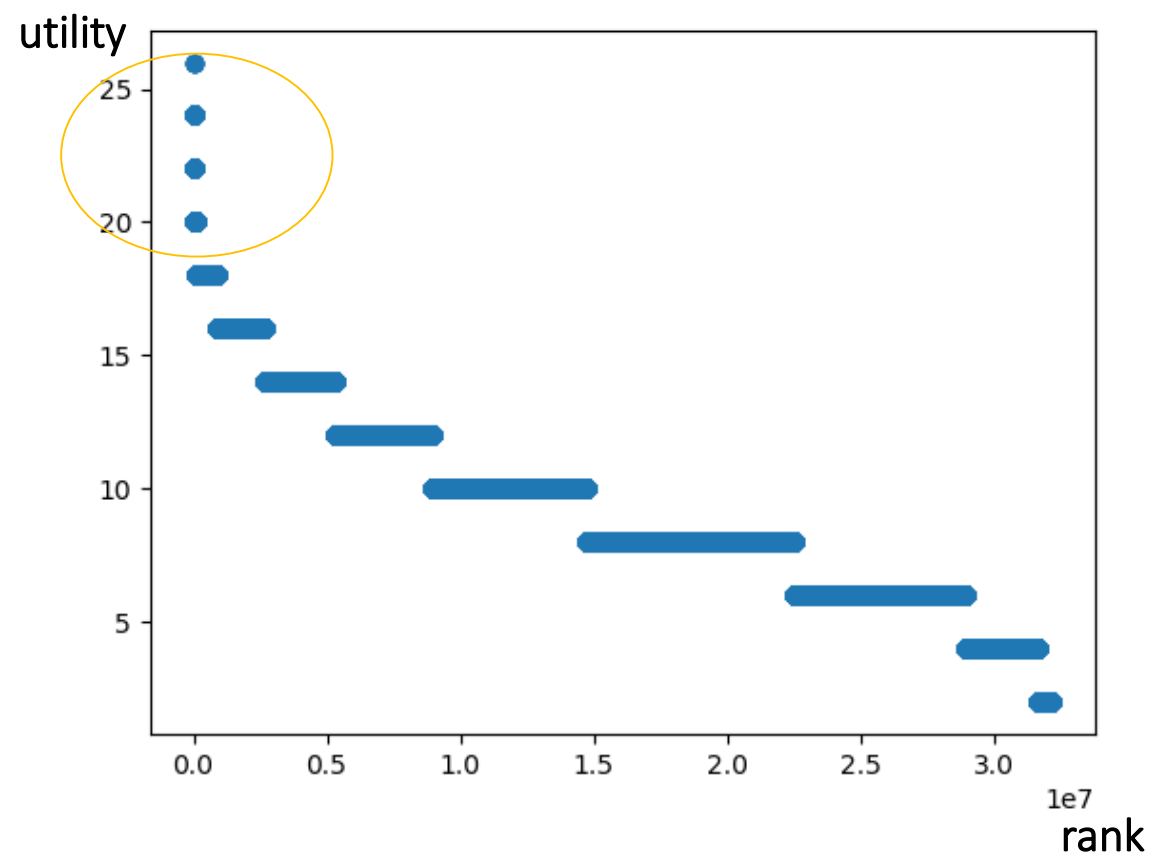
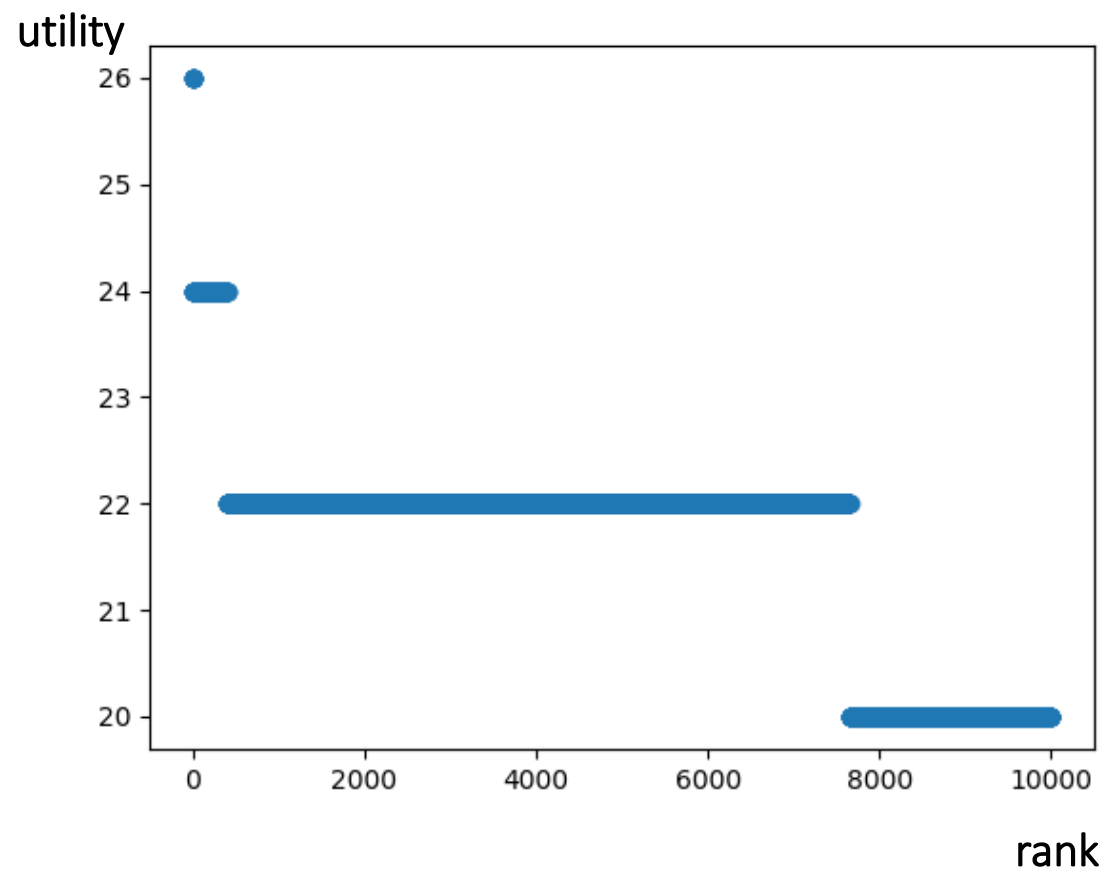
Output: A Map between Candidate Shortcuts and their utility scores

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 $U \leftarrow \emptyset;$ 
 $P = \text{getAllPairsShortestPaths}(G);$ 
forall the  $p \in P$  do
     $l = \text{length}(p);$ 
    // Variable size of window
    for  $\delta = 2$  to  $l$  do
        // Slide a  $\delta$ -size window over nodes of  $p$ 
        for  $i = 0$  to  $l - \delta$  do
             $x = p[i];$ 
             $y = p[i + \delta];$ 
            if  $(x, y) \notin U$  then
                 $u_{xy} = (\delta - 1);$ 
                add  $\langle (x, y), u_{xy} \rangle$  in  $U$ ;
            else
                update  $\langle (x, y), u_{xy} + (\delta - 1) \rangle$  in  $U$ ;
            end
        end
    end
end
return  $U$ 
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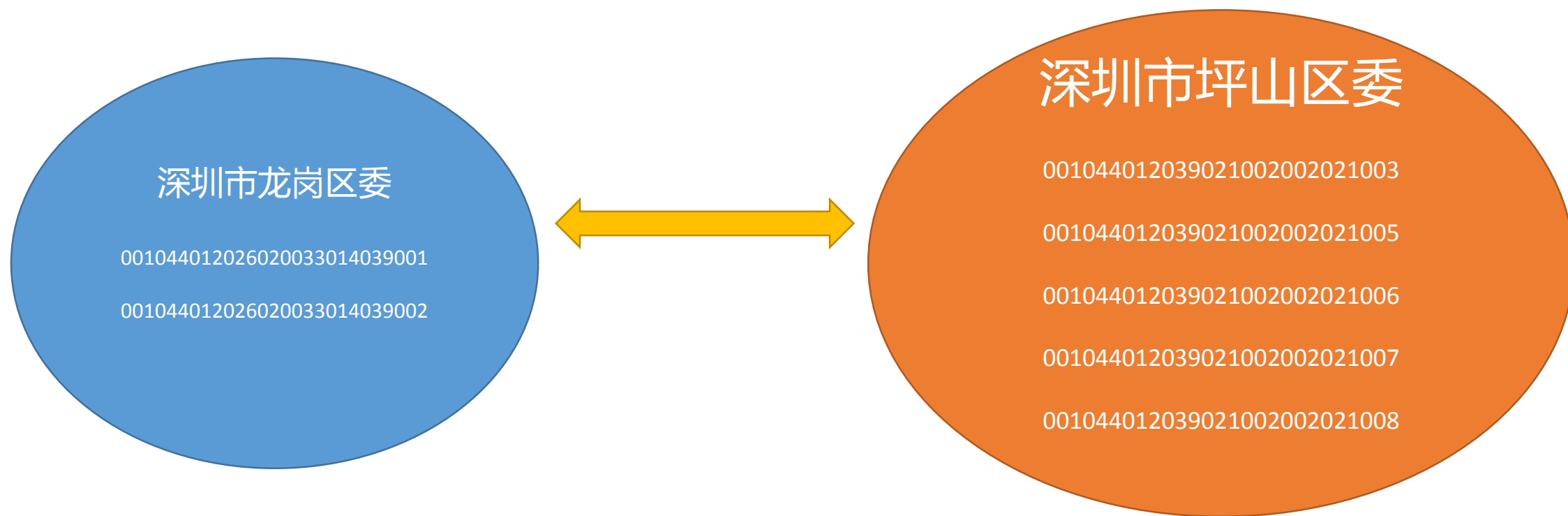
$// i\text{th node of path } p$
 $// (i + \delta)\text{th node of path } p$

$O(n(n \log n + m)) + O(n^2 \bar{L}(G) \bar{L}(G))$

Distribution of utility



Best shortcut





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