

Parallel Implementation of Mining Highly Interacted Attribute Pairs

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Interaction Mining

- For two attribute variables X_1 and X_2 and a class variable Y , when relationship between X_1 and Y depends on X_2 , X_1 and X_2 are said to be *interact*.
- Interactions are outcomes that occur when all the variables are observed together
 - Interaction between two variables exists when the joint effect of both is different from that obtained by additively combining the individual effects.
- Different interactions: independence, synergy, redundancy.

Interaction Mining using Information Theory

- Let ω denote the set of all random variables :

$$\omega = \{ X_1; X_2; \dots; X_i; \dots; X_N \}.$$

X_i : A random variable representing an attribute or class label

- Entropy

$$H(X_i) = - \sum_x p(X_i = x) \log_2(p(X_i = x))$$

- KWII : Amount of information present in a set of variables, which is not present in any subset of the variables.

- For set of variables $S = \{ X_1; X_2; \dots, X_K \}$

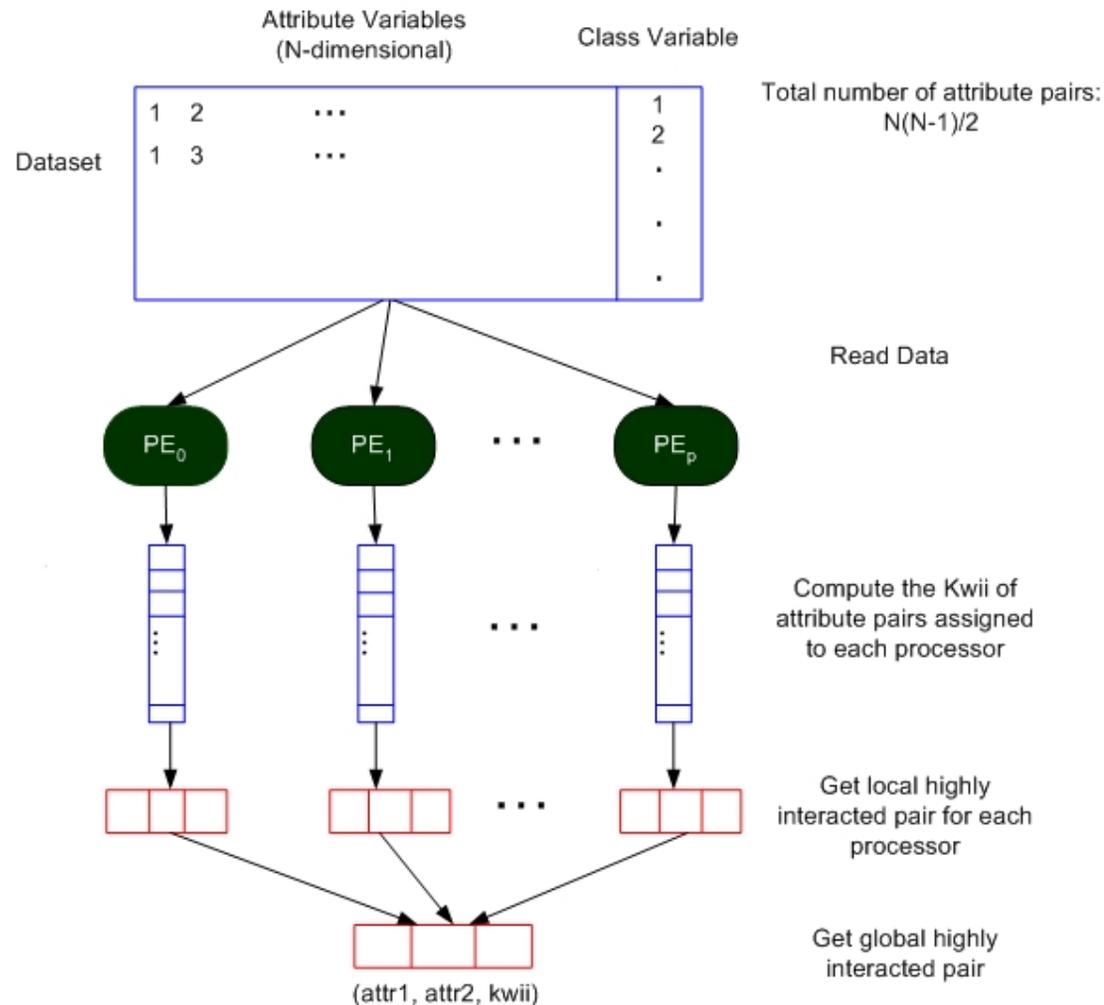
$$KWII(S) \equiv - \sum_{T \subseteq S} (-1)^{|S \setminus T|} H(T)$$

- e.g. $KWII(A;B;C) = - \underbrace{H(A) - H(B) - H(C)}_{-H(ABC)} + \underbrace{H(AB) + H(AC) + H(BC)}$

Experiment Setting

- **Input:** Data set of n attribute variables and class variable, number of sample is m
- **Computation:** Compute the KWII values for all possible attribute pairs
 - for N attributes, # of attribute pairs will be $n*(n-1)/2$
- **Output:** Attribute pairs with highest KWII value, which is the most significant interacted pairs
- **Sequential running time:** $O(n^2m)$
 - Can be very time consuming when n is large
 - Turn to **parallel solution!**

Parallel Implementation



Part of Implementation Detail

- The computation of KWII for all attribute pairs is **evenly** distributed across all the processors

```
int pairs_per_node=(attr_num)*(attr_num-1)/(2*size) +1;
.....
for(int attr1=0;attr1<attr_num;attr1++)
{
    for(int attr2=attr1+1;attr2<attr_num;attr2++)
    {
        count_current=(2*attr_num-attr1)*attr1/2+attr2-attr1;
        //decide whether the KWII computation of current pair is assigned to this node or not
        if( count_current>= (pairs_per_node*rank +1) && count_current<= (pairs_per_node*(rank +1)))
        {
            printf("attr1 is: %d, attr2 is: %d, count_current is: %d, rank is: %d \n",attr1,attr2,count_current,rank);

            kwii.kwii(D,sample_num,v);
            .....
        }
    }
}
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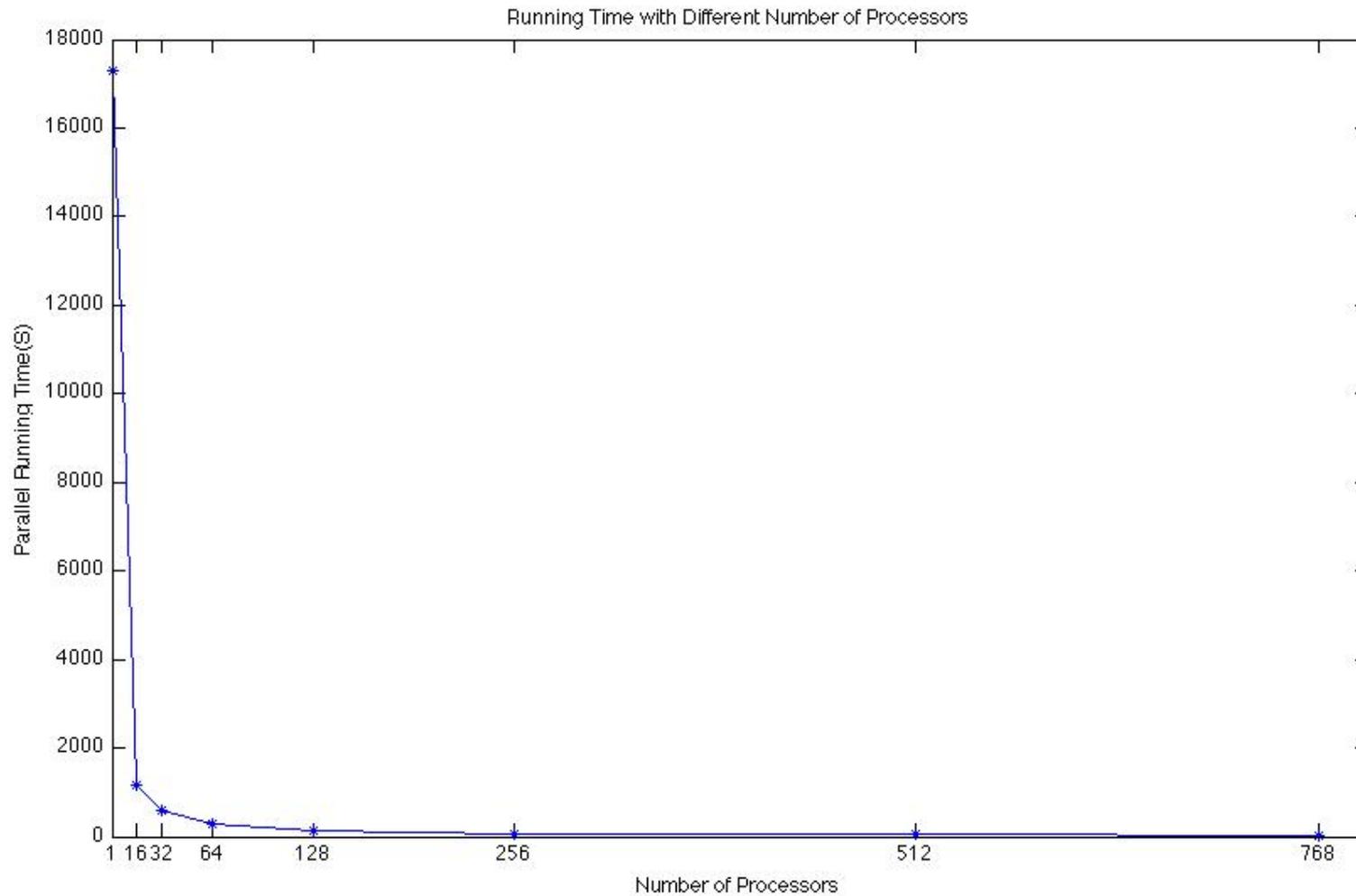
Part of Implementation Detail

- Each processor picks up the attribute pair with the local highest KWII values and send it to P_0
 - Define a derived data types **Result** using triplet of (int, int, double) to store the results of attribute pair and KWII values

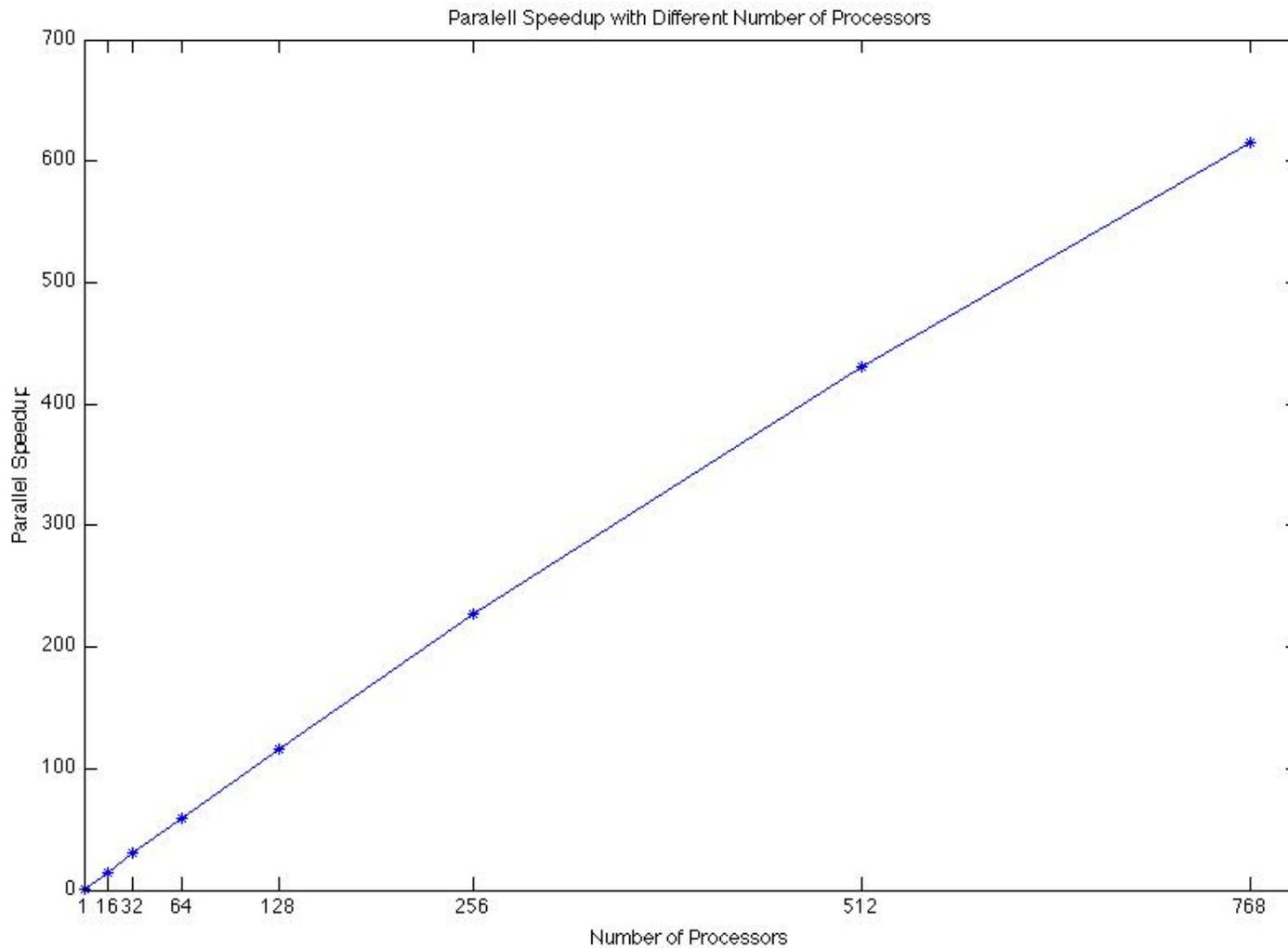
```
MPI_Datatype myresult,old_types[2]={MPI_INT,MPI_DOUBLE};
MPI_Aint indices[2];
int blocklens[2]={2,1};
MPI_Address(&r,&indices[0]);
MPI_Address(&r.kwii,&indices[1]);
indices[1] -= indices[0];indices[0]=0;
MPI_Type_struct(2,blocklens,indices,old_types,&myresult);
MPI_Type_commit(&myresult);
.....
MPI_Type_free(&myresult);
```

- P_0 receives the Result from all other processors and picks up the one with the highest KWII value as the global highly interacted attribute pair

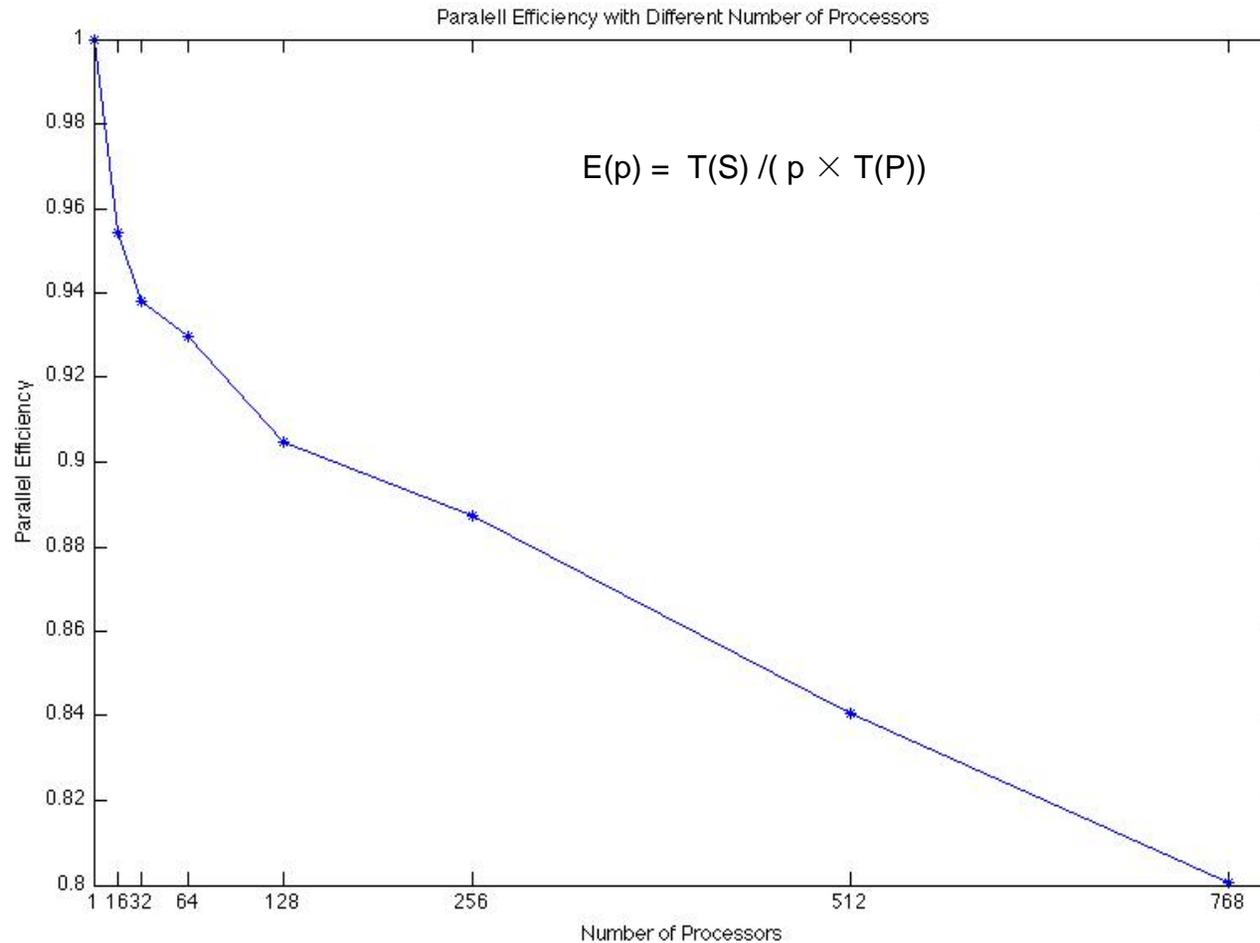
Parallel Running Time



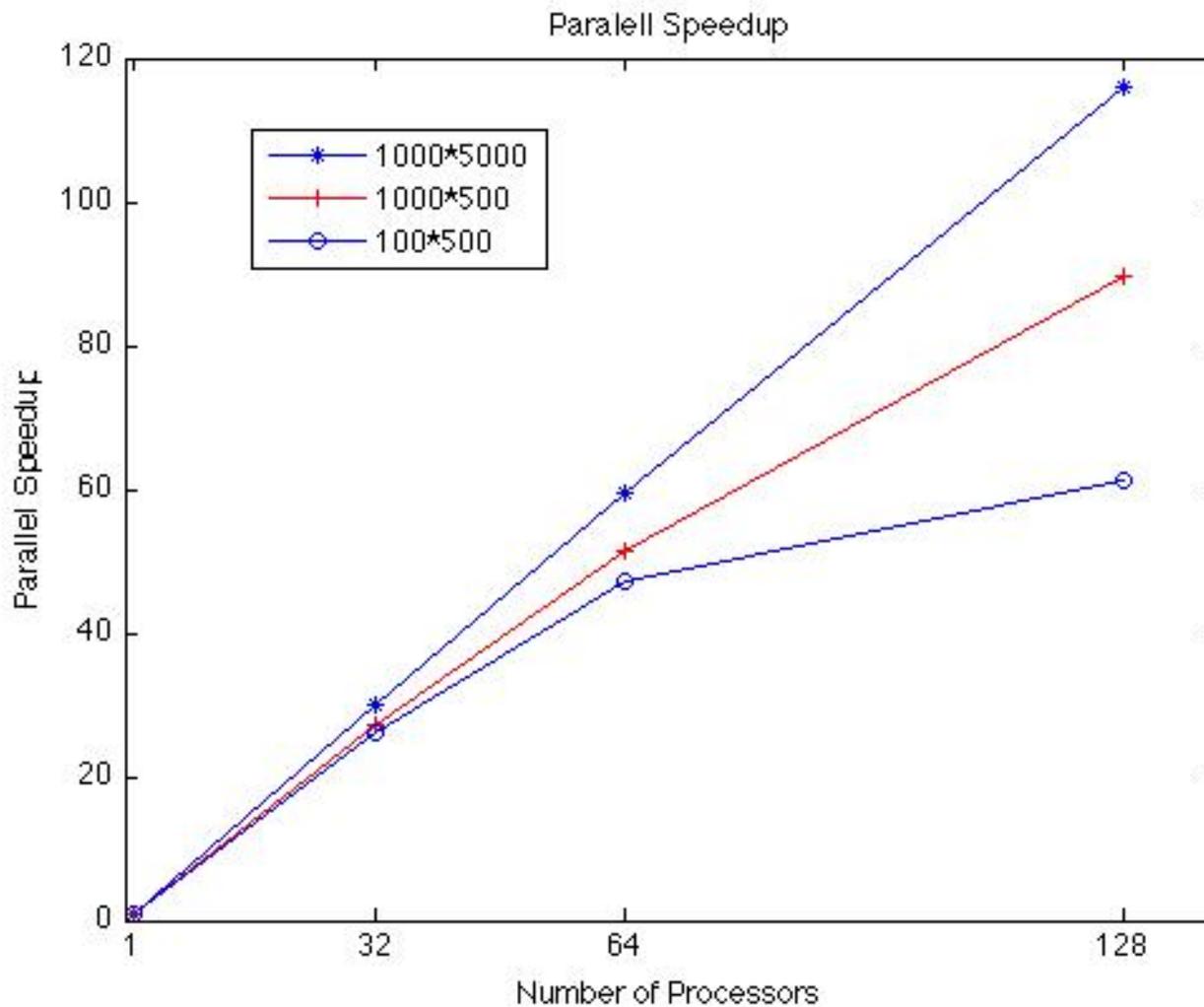
Parallel Speedup



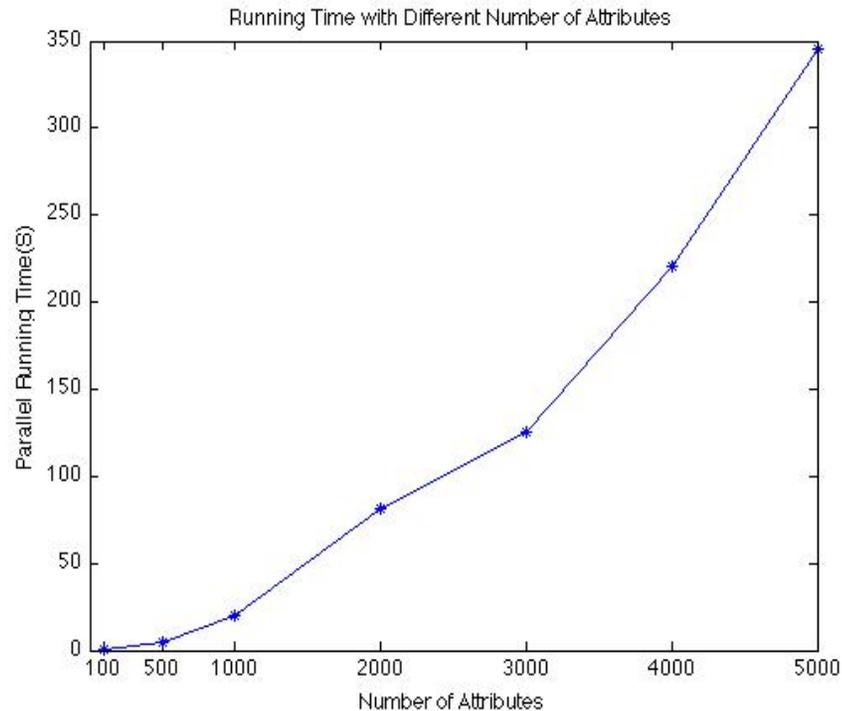
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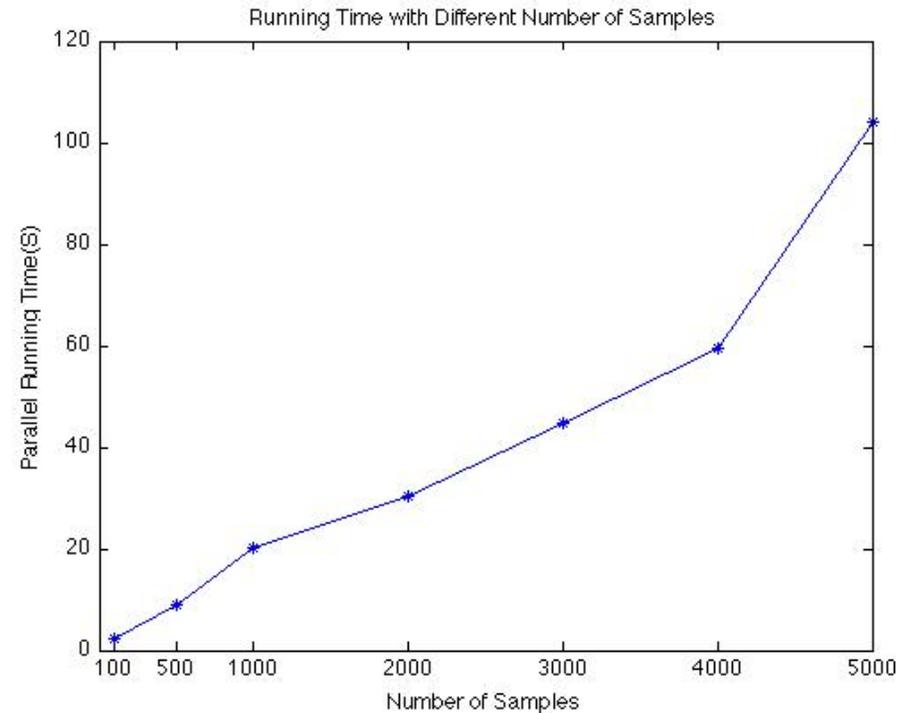
Parallel Speedup VS Dataset Size



Running Time VS Dataset Size



of nodes = 128
of samples = 1000



of nodes = 128
of attributes = 1000

Thank you!