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Anomaly Detection in Grid Compute Nodes: A Machine Learning Approach Leveraging HEP Benchmark Suite



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What is Benchmarking?

- **Benchmark Scores:** Compare performance of systems or system components (e.g. smartphones, CPU models)
- Purpose: Identify the best value based on your specific needs and tasks
- In Computing: Measure system performance using specific predefined tests or workloads
- **Outcome:** Determine the most efficient option for your requirements



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HEP Benchmark Suite:

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> Purpose:

• Compare different CPU models (for accounting and financial planning)

> HEPScore23:

 Includes 7 workloads from 5 experiments: ATLAS, CMS, ALICE, Belle II, LHCb

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- The **HEP Benchmark Suite** is submitted as a standard job to the grid
 - Probing the performance of the grid servers in production environment
 - Results, together with metadata such as load, memory usage and power consumption are sent back to us
- The collected data can also be used to detect misconfigured servers
 - Correlation between Load of the server and the HEPScore (performance of the server) can be used to detect those misconfigurations (anomalies)
 - This process is done manually right now
 - The goal of the project is to automate it







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Not All Anomalies Are the Same

> Global Clustered Anomalies

- Exhibit similar characteristics
- Grouped closed together
- Located far from trendline

Global Scattered Anomalies

- Differ significantly from normal data
- Spread far apart

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Located far from trendline

For the purposes of this analysis, we focus only on identifying **global clustered anomalies using machine learning techniques**

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Global clustered

Three Types of Clustered Anomalies on the Grid

"Underperformance" type of anomalies

- Identified by a cluster of points that fall below the general trendline
- Typically, far from the all-sites trendline
- "Overperformance" type of anomalies
 - Identified by a cluster of points that fall above the general trendline
 - Typically, far from the all-sites trendline
- "Other" type of anomalies

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 This type of anomaly can be characterized by a "flat" area of data points (highlighted on the plot) or any other trendline which is "unusual" comparing to the general trend

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Anomaly Detection Machine Learning Models

Types of Anomaly Detection Models:

- Z-Score
- K-Nearest Neighbors (k-NN)
- Local Outlier Factor (LOF)
- DBSCAN
- One-Class SVM

- Isolation Forest
- Isolation Forest with Split-selection Criterion (SCiForest)
- Autoencoders
- Principal Component Analysis (PCA)
- T-Distributed Stochastic Neighbor Embedding (t-SNE)

Isolation Forest:

- Effective at detecting global scattered anomalies
- Uses random splits with hyperplanes in the feature space to isolate anomalies
- Generalizes well
- Preliminary results shown on the next slide



Isolation Forest Preliminary Results

- Effectively detects global scattered anomalies
- Sometimes fails to detect global clustered anomalies
- A lot of False Positives and False Negatives



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Isolation Forest Preliminary Results

- Effectively detects global scattered anomalies
- Sometimes fails to detect global clustered anomalies
- A lot of False Positives and False Negatives
- **SCiForest** should help with this based on the literature review
 - Well-suited for detecting both global scattered and clustered anomalies
 - Utilizes improved split selection with hyperplanes to better separate local distribution peaks



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Next Steps

- Implementation of Isolation Forest with Split-selection Criterion (SCiForest)
- Results validation and different models comparison
- Add labels or anomaly score from the unsupervised learning algorithm to the dataset as "ground truth"
- Apply a semi-supervised learning algorithm, such as XGBoost Outlier Detection (XGBOD), on the entire dataset with all features and "ground truth"
- Generate JSON report file with results and save plots with anomalies

Example JSON:





Thank you for your attention

Questions?



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