# Multi-Approximate-Keyword Routing Query

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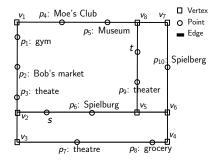
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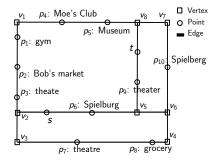
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- Our work: Multi-Approximate-Keyword Routing (MAKR) query.
  - A combination of shortest path search and approximate keyword search
  - Given a source and destination pair (s, t) and a query keyword set  $\psi$  on a road network, the goal is to find the shortest path that passes through at least one matching object per keyword.

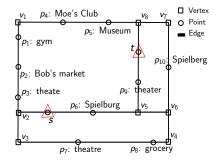


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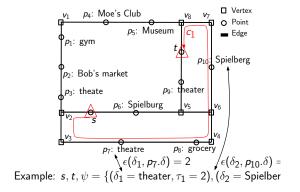
Approximate string similarity: edit distance  $\epsilon(\delta_1, \delta_2) = \tau$ .

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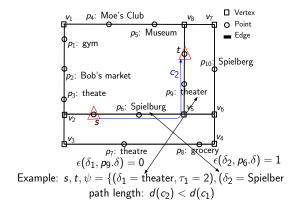


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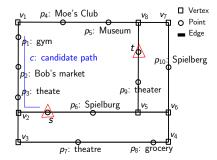
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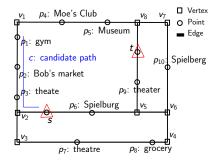
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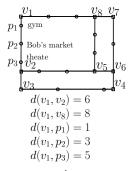
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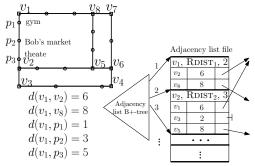
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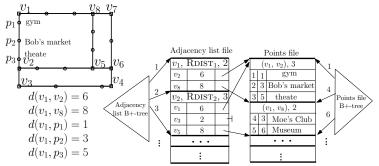
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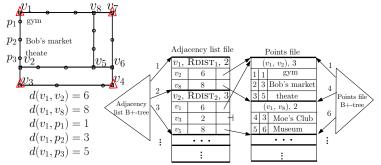


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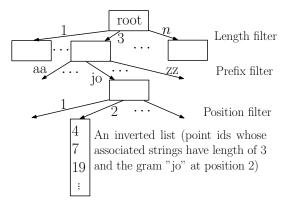
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# Data structure: FilterTree for Approximate Keywords-Matching



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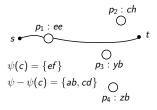
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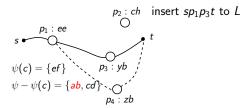


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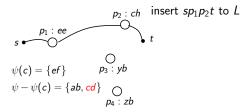


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## Exact solution overview

#### Improvement.

- use Landmarks to estimate distances when finding points;
- modify and then combine with FilterTree to find p ∈ P(w) incrementally;
- refine d(c) when c becomes a qualified path.
  - two methods to refine d(c): PER-full and PER-partial

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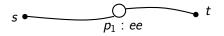


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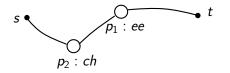
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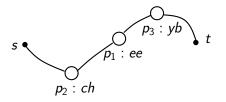
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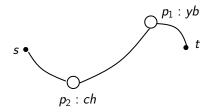
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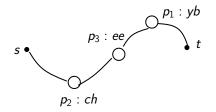
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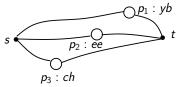
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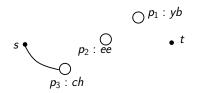
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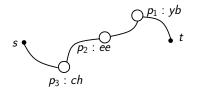
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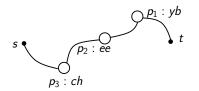
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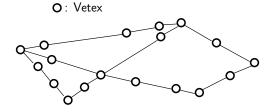
• Theorem 2: The  $A_{GMP}$  algorithm gives a  $\kappa$ -approximate path. This bound is tight.

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- Challenges in all approximate methods:
  - how to find p ∈ P(w) incrementally for each type of objective function (instead of finding P(w) all at once and iterate through points in P(w) one by one)?
  - how to avoid exact distance computation as much as possible?

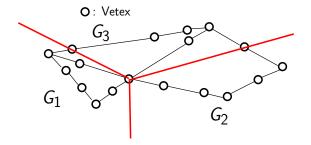
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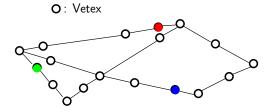
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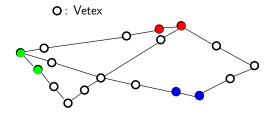
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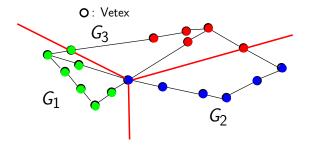
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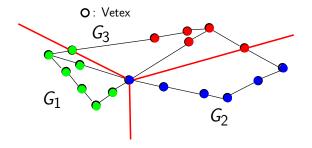
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$$d^-(s,G_i)+d^-(G_i,t)\leq d^-(s,p)+d^-(p,t), orall p\in G_i.$$

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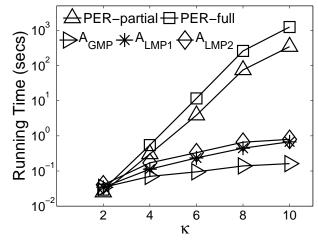
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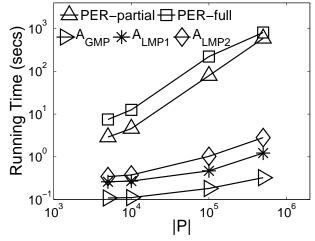
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$\kappa$	number of query strings	6
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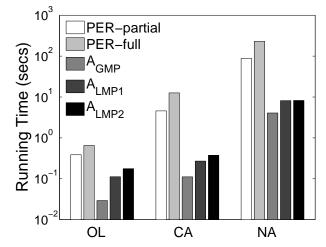
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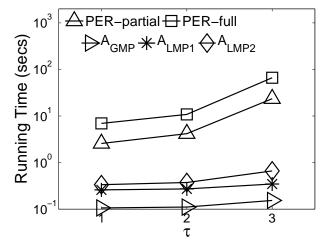
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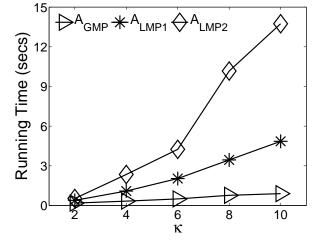
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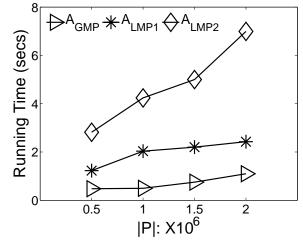
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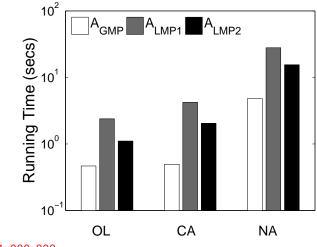
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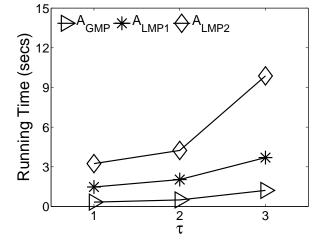
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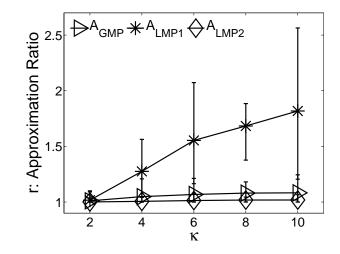
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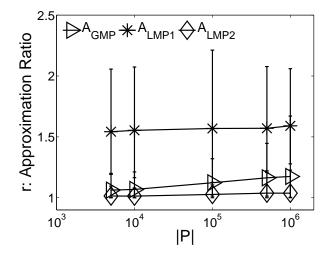


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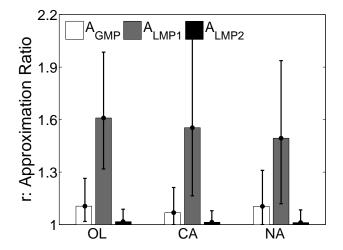


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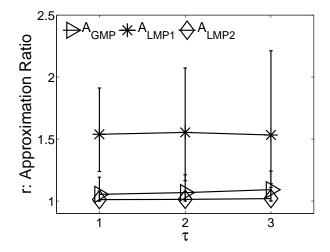
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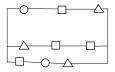
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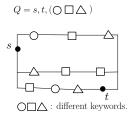
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