

Human-in-the-loop Optimization

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Overview

- Human, AI and FoW
- Crowdcut Demonstration
- Team-Planner Demonstration
- BDaL virtual tour

Human-in-the-loop (HIL) Systems

Human workers are treated as mere agents used to pursue the broader AI Goals.

Bring Humans Back to the **Center** of HIL AI Systems



Imagine all the People and AI in the future of work (FoW)

Intellectual challenges of FoW

- Challenge 1: Capturing human capabilities
- Challenge 2: Stakeholder Requirement Specification
- Challenge 3: Social Processes
- Challenge 4: Platform Ecosystems and Computation Capabilities
- Challenge 5: Benchmark and Metrics
- Challenge 6: Ethics

Externally Funded Active Projects



- **Streamlining Task Deployment on Crowdsourcing Platforms (NSF CAREER, 2020-2025)**

- A middle layer that sits between multiple stakeholders in a crowdsourcing ecosystem to aid requesters in deploying crowdsourcing tasks (**Challenge 2, Challenge 4**)



- **A Humans-in-the-loop Optimization Framework for Designing Derived Attributes in Data Science (NSF CISE Core 2020-2023)**

- An iterative framework to guide amateur human workers even with limited domain expertise to suggest new attributes for data exploration and predictive modeling (**Challenge 3, Challenge 4**)



- **An Optimized Human-Machine Intelligence Framework for Classification (NSF Core 2018-2021)**

- An iterative and hybrid human machine intelligence framework for single and multi-label classification that optimizes both human factors and machine computation. (**challenge 1, challenge 4**)



- **Human AI Agile Symbiosis (ONR : 2018-2022)**

- A framework to enable proactive, context-dependent decision support with enhanced operational capability under uncertainty, time pressure and resource constraints. (**Challenge 4, Challenge 5, Challenge 6**)

The Future of AI in the FoW will be **less supervised**

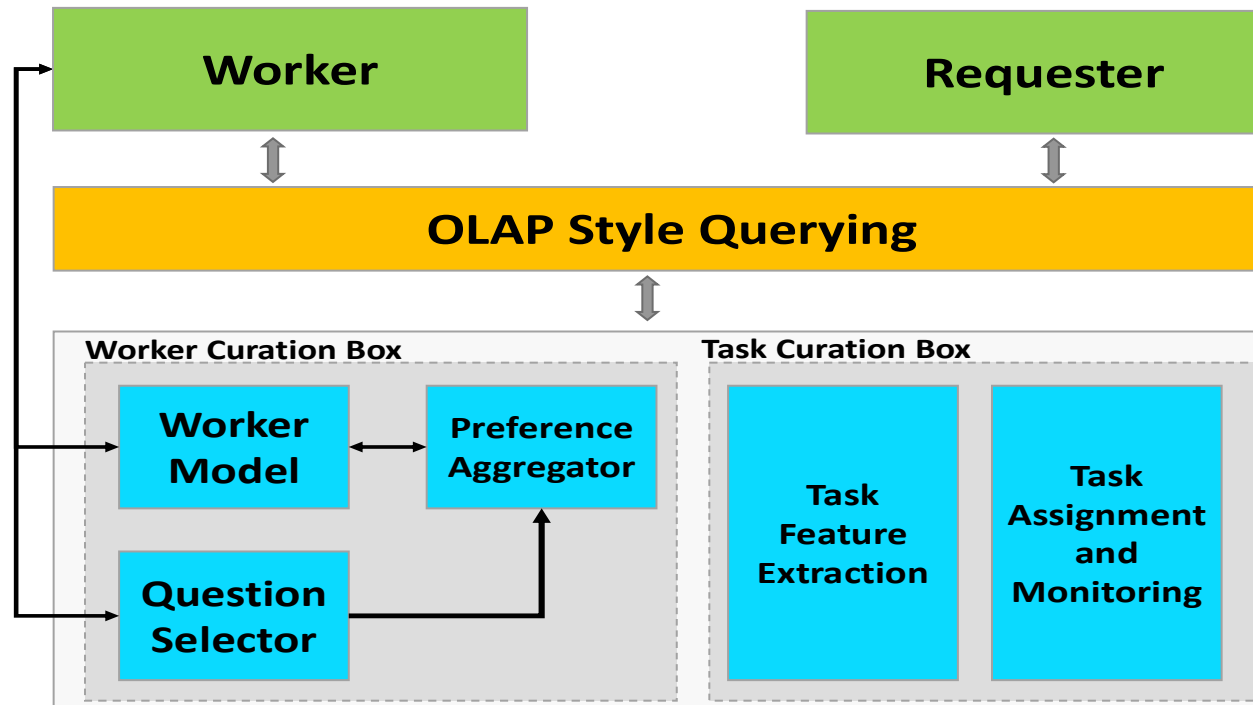


CrowdCur: A Web-based Plug-in on Micro-gig Platforms (Semi-supervised learning + Data Mining)

ACM Special Interest Group of Management of Data : SIGMOD 18

Involved students : Mohammadreza Esfandiari (PhD, Graduated Summer 2020), Kaval Patel (MS, Graduated Fall 2018)

CrowdCur



Demonstration

A screenshot of a web browser displaying the CrowdCur application. The browser's address bar shows the URL 127.0.0.1:8000. The application's header is dark blue with the CrowdCur logo on the left, 'PROFILE' and 'LOGOUT' links on the right, and a 'D:DT' badge in the top right corner. The main content area has a yellow background and features the CrowdCur logo, a welcome message, and a 'GO TO WORK!' button.

Welcome to CrowdCur! CrowdCur is designed by developing principled data analytics algorithms to optimize workers' performance, which is of paramount importance to improve many key processes in a crowdsourcing platform.

CrowdCur promotes a worker-centric environment that allows the workers to observe and monitor their own performance over time, select tasks, elicit their explicit preferences, run and obtain interesting statistics on the fellow workers.

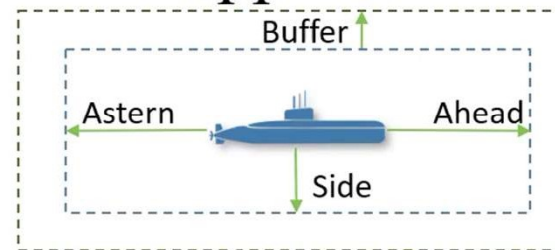
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Team-Planner: Tool for human operator (Reinforcement Learning)

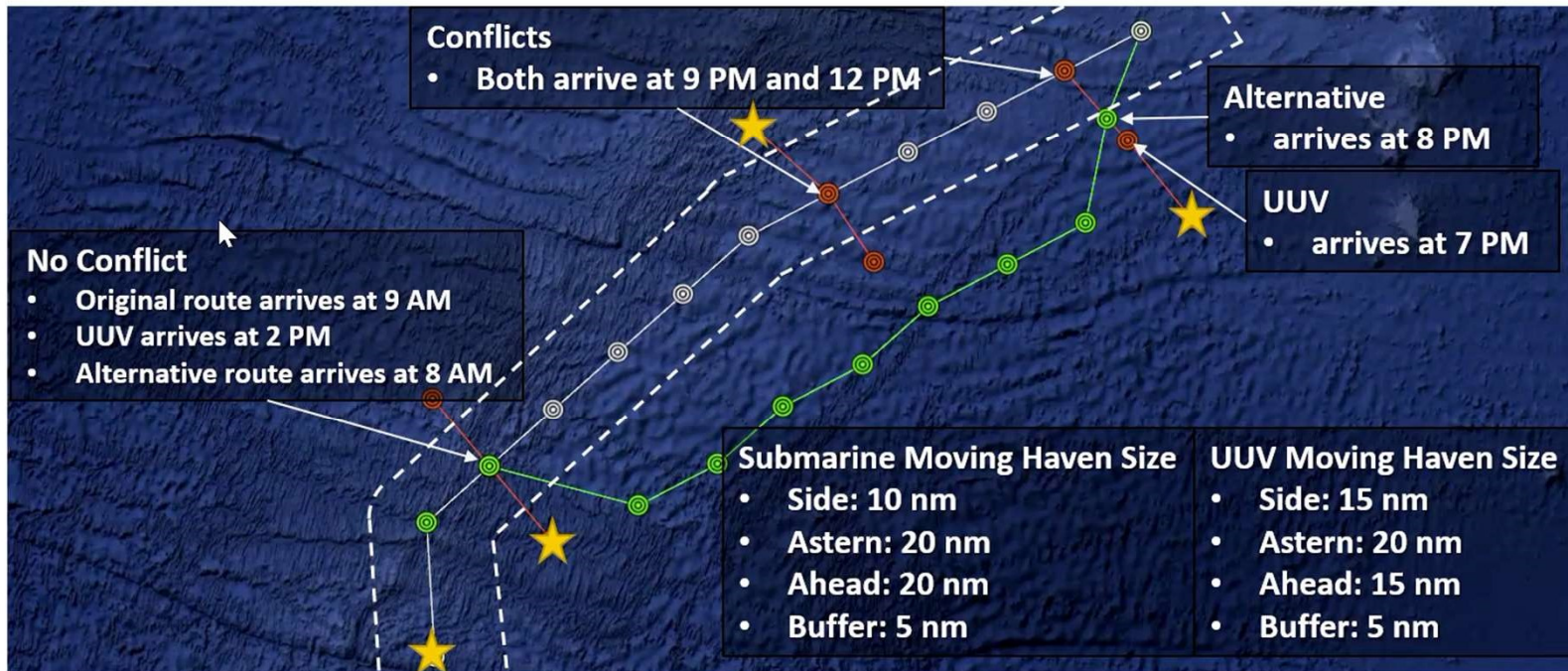
Human-AI Agile Symbiosis Team Decision Making in Naval Applications

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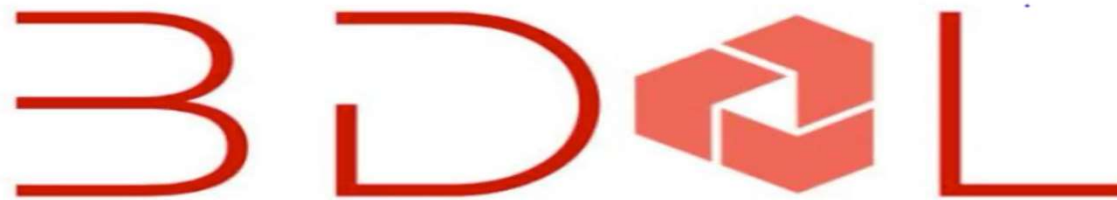
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Welcome



Big Data Analytics Lab

The Big Data Analytics Lab (BDaL), is an interdisciplinary research laboratory, that focuses on large-scale data analytics problems that arise in different application domains and disciplines. One of the primary focus of our lab is to investigate an alternative computational paradigm that involves "humans-in-the-loop" for large-scale analytics problems. These problems arise at different stages in a traditional data science pipeline (e.g., data cleaning, query answering, ad-hoc data exploration, or predictive modeling), as well as from emerging applications.

We study optimization opportunities that come across because of this unique man-machine collaboration and address data management and computational challenges to enable large-scale analytics with humans-in-the-loop. Our focus domains are social networks, healthcare, climate science, retail and business, and spatial data. The research projects at BDaL are funded by the National Science Foundation, Office of Naval Research, National Institute of Health, and Microsoft Research.





Thank You!

