

Disinformation Techniques for Entity Resolution

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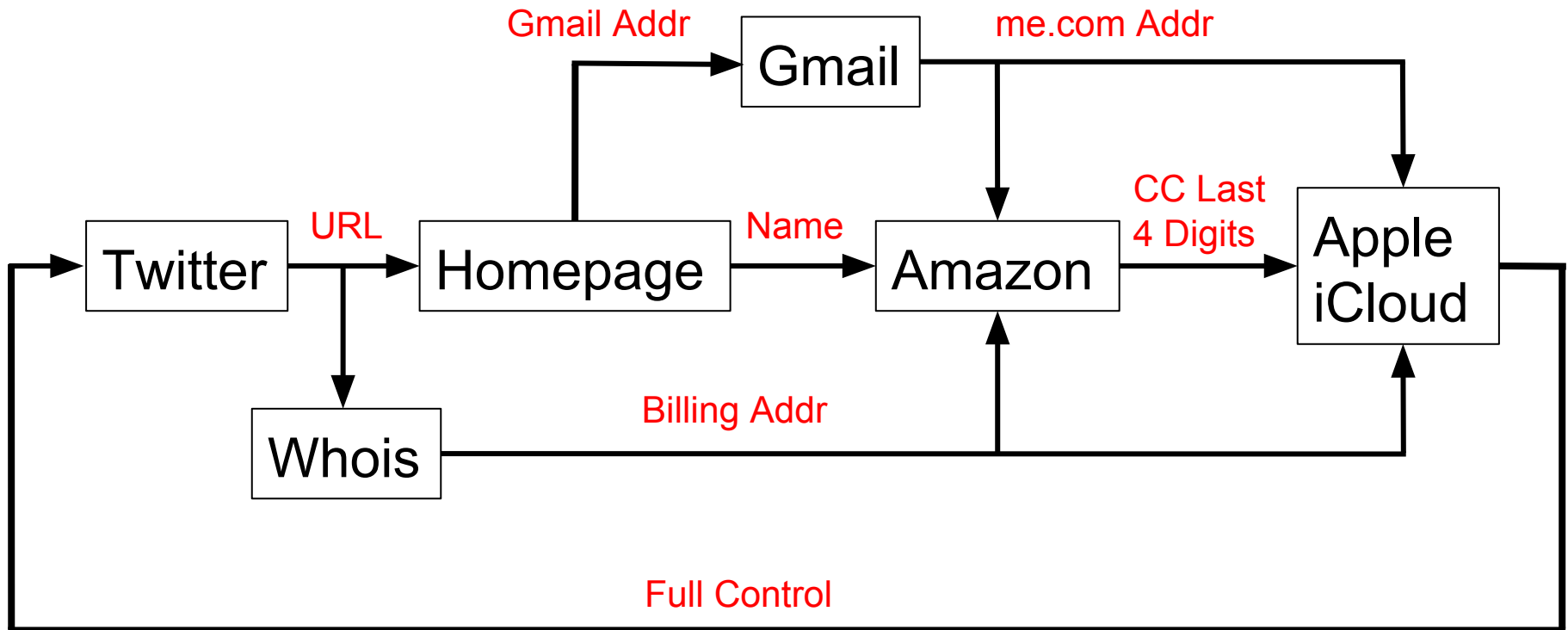
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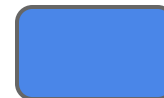
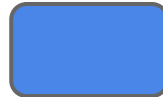
Hacker Connecting the Dots



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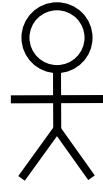
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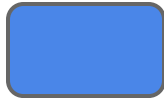
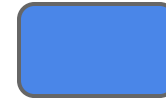


- Deleting information is very hard
- ⇒ We add *disinformation* to reduce leakage

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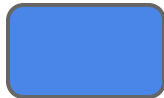
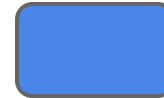
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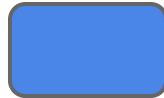
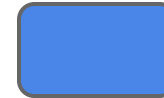
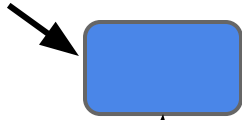
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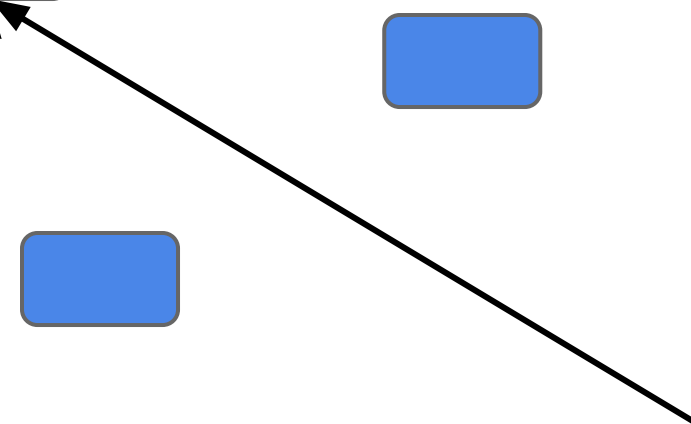
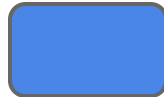
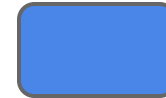
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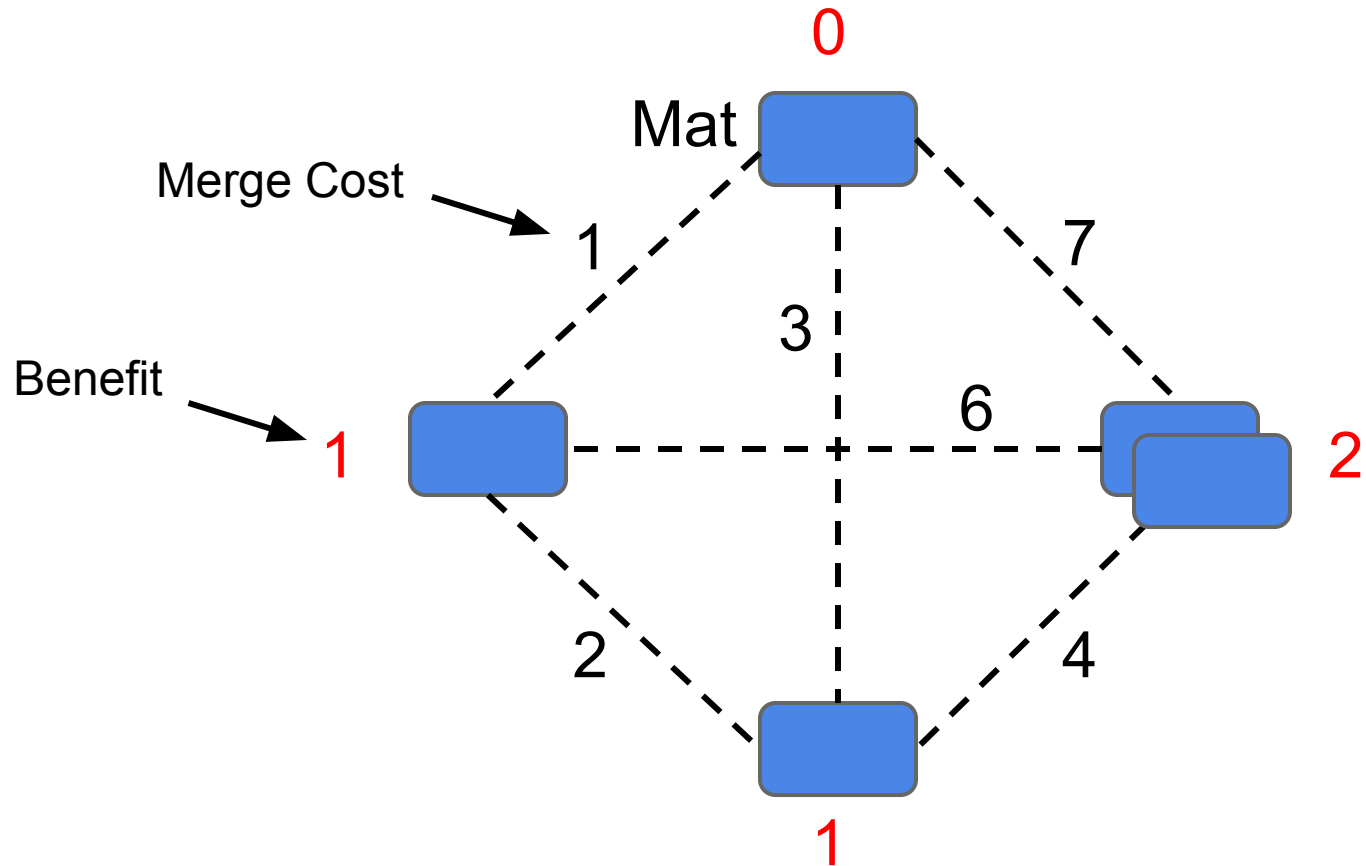
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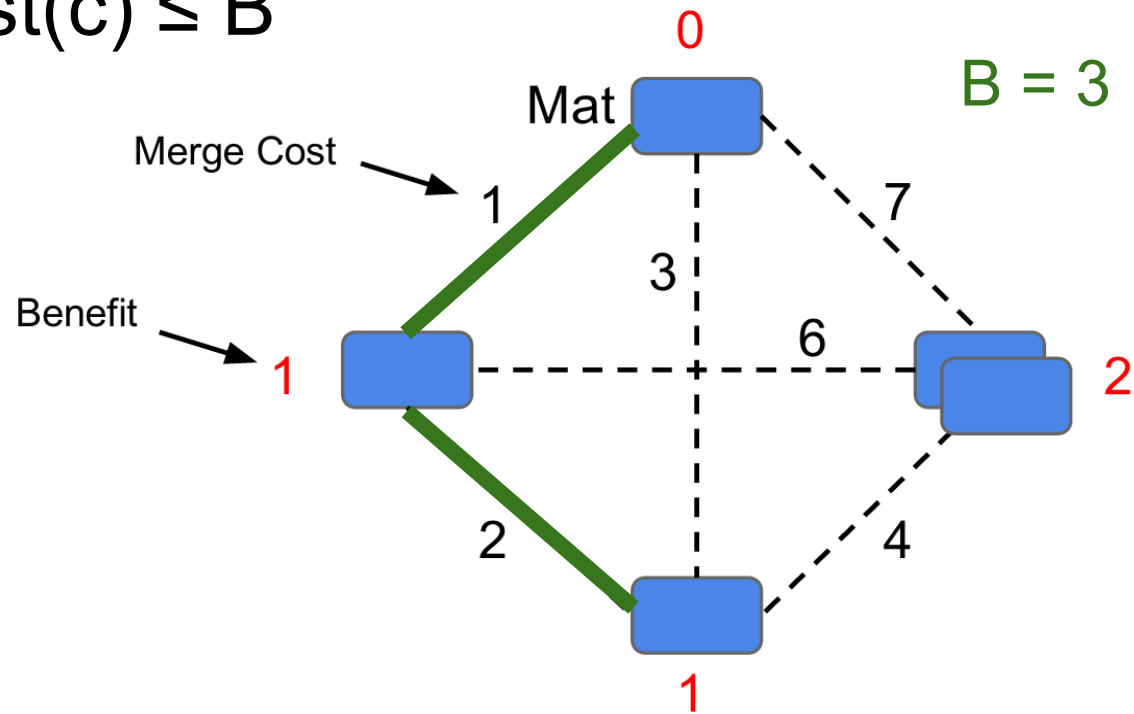
Linkage Disinformation Model



Disinformation Plan

- Maximize $\sum_{c \in \text{Plan}} \text{Benefit}(c)$

s.t. $\sum_{c \in \text{Plan}} \text{Cost}(c) \leq B$



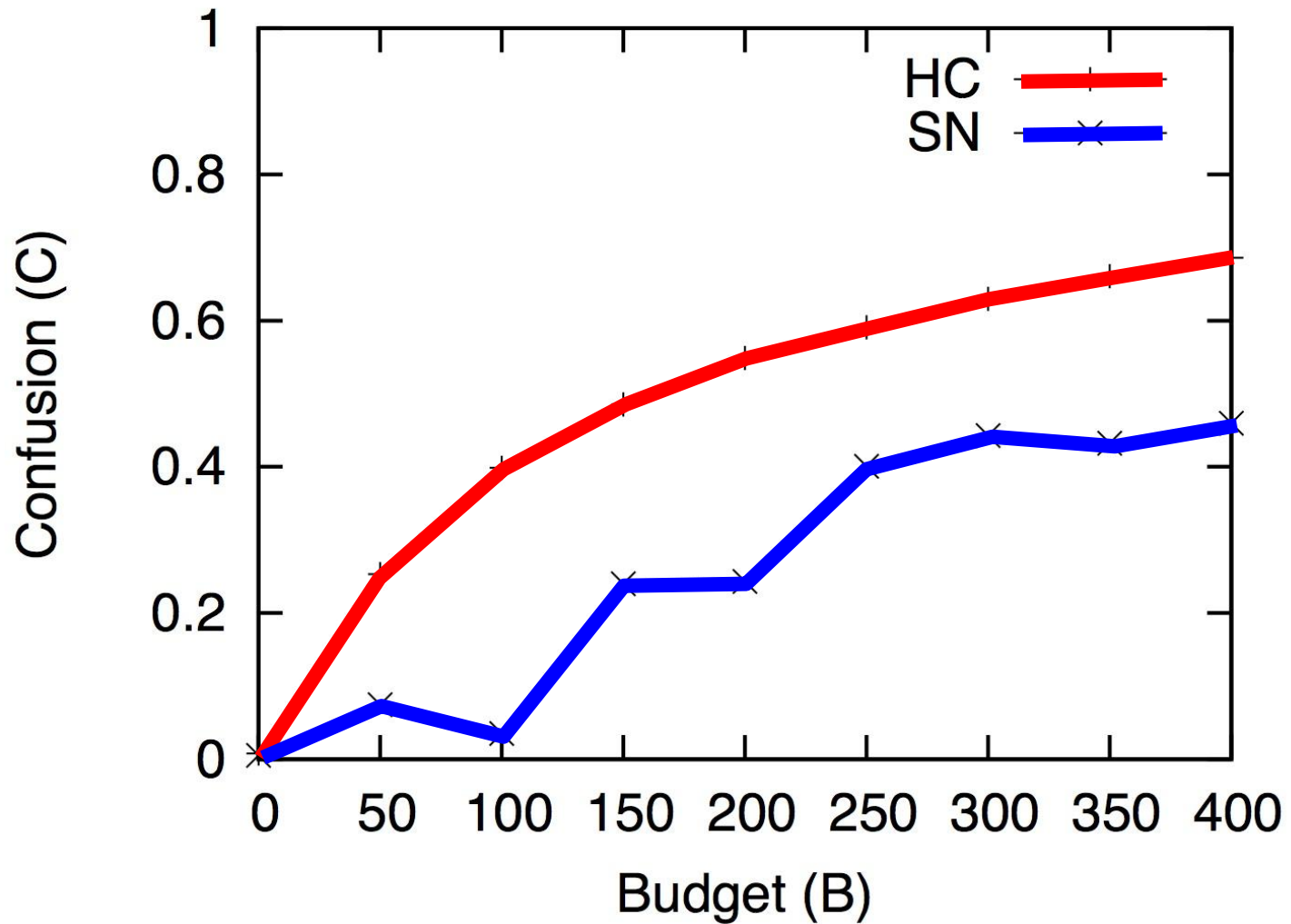
Complexity

- Height of Plan > 1
 - Strongly NP-hard
 - Heuristics
- Height of Plan = 1
 - Weakly NP-hard
 - Exact Pseudo-Polynomial Algorithm: $O(|V| B)$
 - 2-Approximate Algorithm: $O(|V| \log(|V|))$

Creating Disinformation

- Euclidean Space
- Non-Euclidean Space

Sample Result



Conclusion

- Privacy model
 - Adversary “connects the dots” using Entity Resolution
 - Privacy is NOT all or nothing, but continuous
 - Hard to delete information
- Disinformation reduces information leakage
 - Proposed exact and approximate algorithms
 - Can also evaluate robustness of ER algorithms

Thanks!