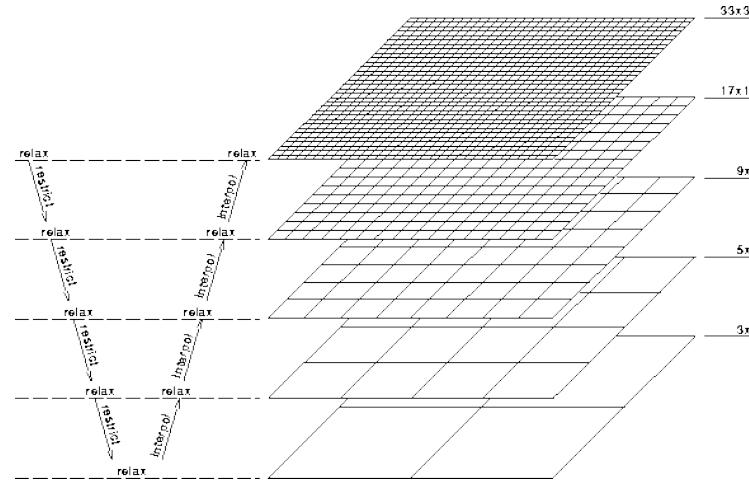
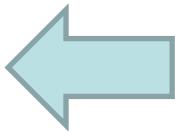


Performance-Influence Models

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Which is the Optimal Configuration for a given Hardware Platform?



How to Identify Optimal Configurations?

320 optimal binary options lead to more configurations than the expected number of atoms in the universe

Numeric options make things much worse



Optimal configuration for



Optimal configuration for





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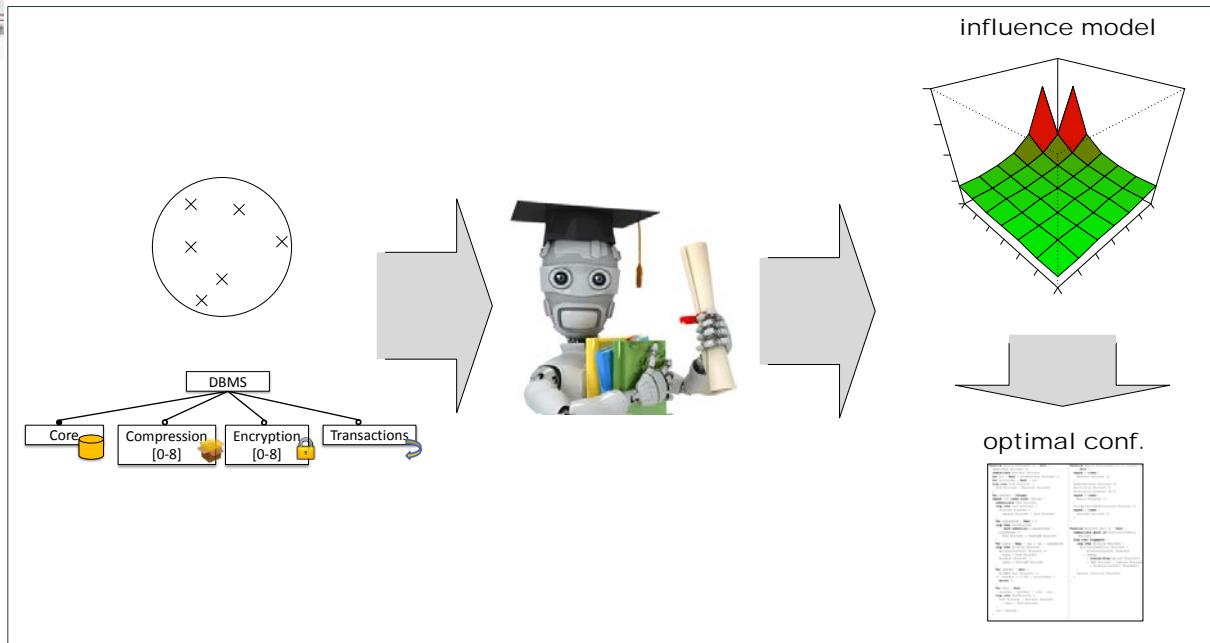
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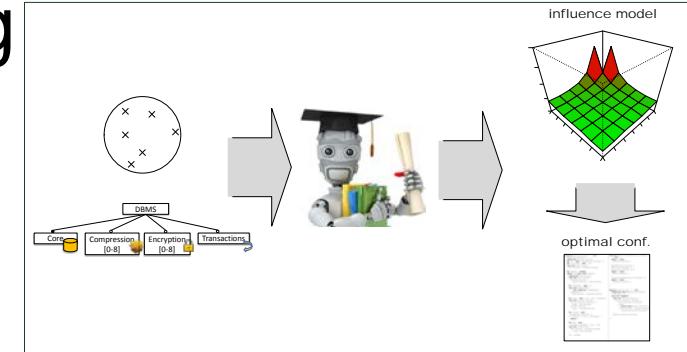
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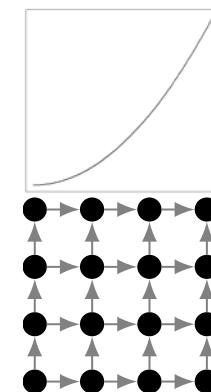
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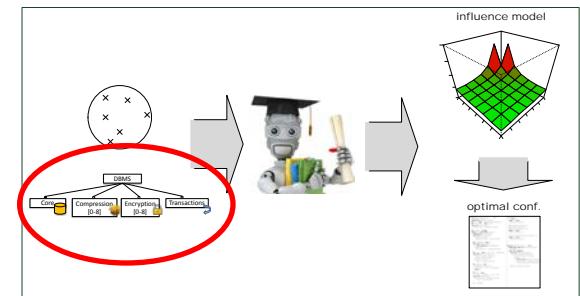
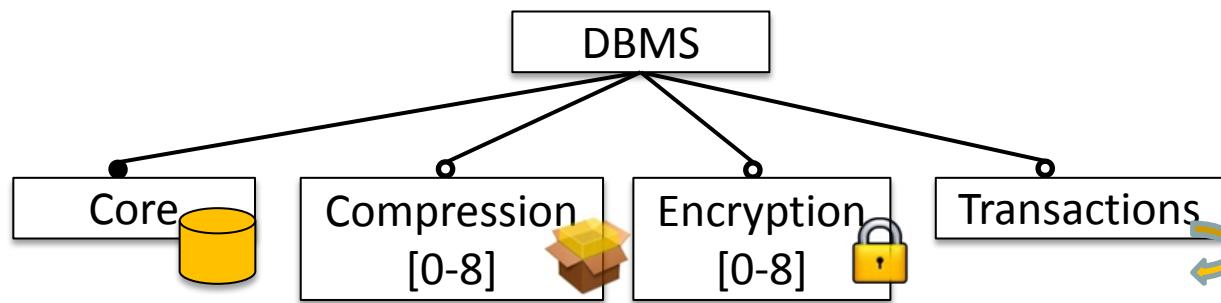
■ Use Domain Knowledge

- Pros:
 - Knowledge about asymptotic behavior
 - No measurement overhead
- Cons:
 - Expensive, hard to incorporate
 - Sometimes misleading



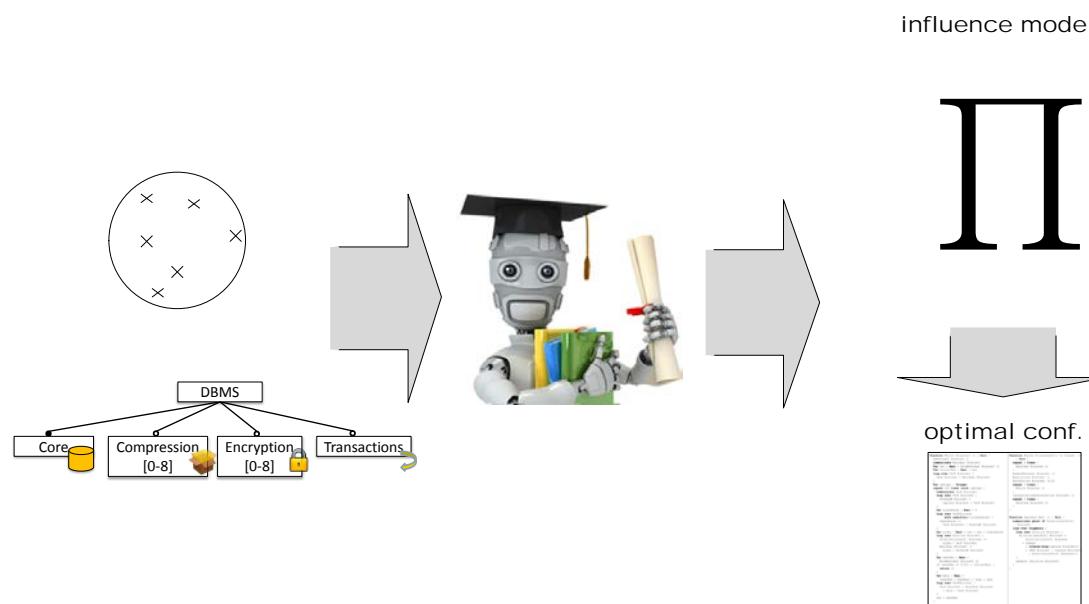


Variability Model



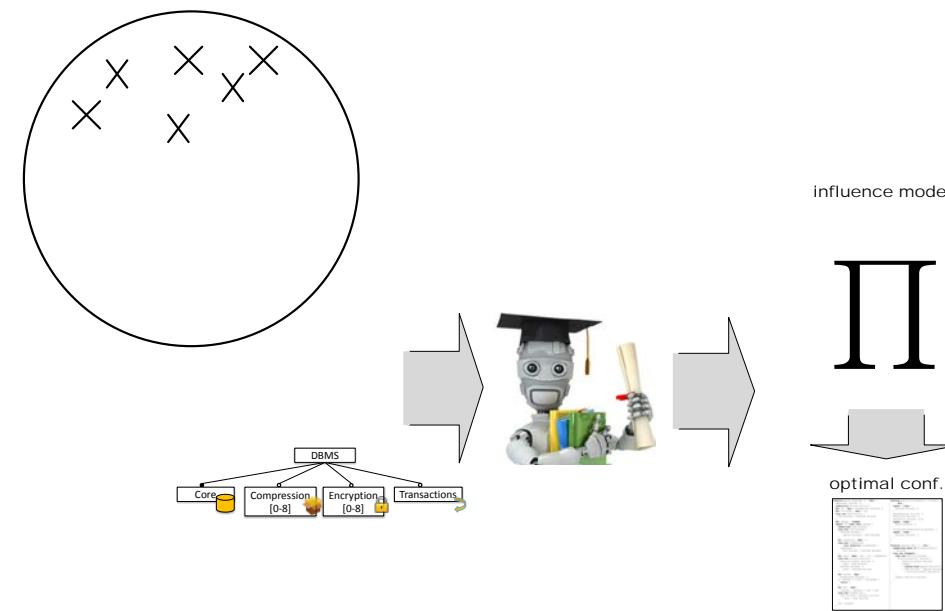


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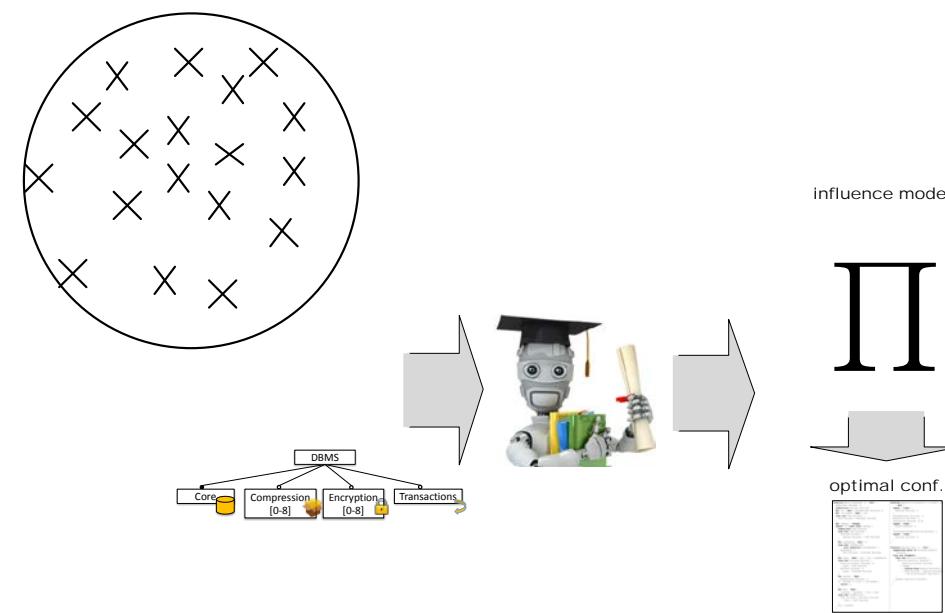


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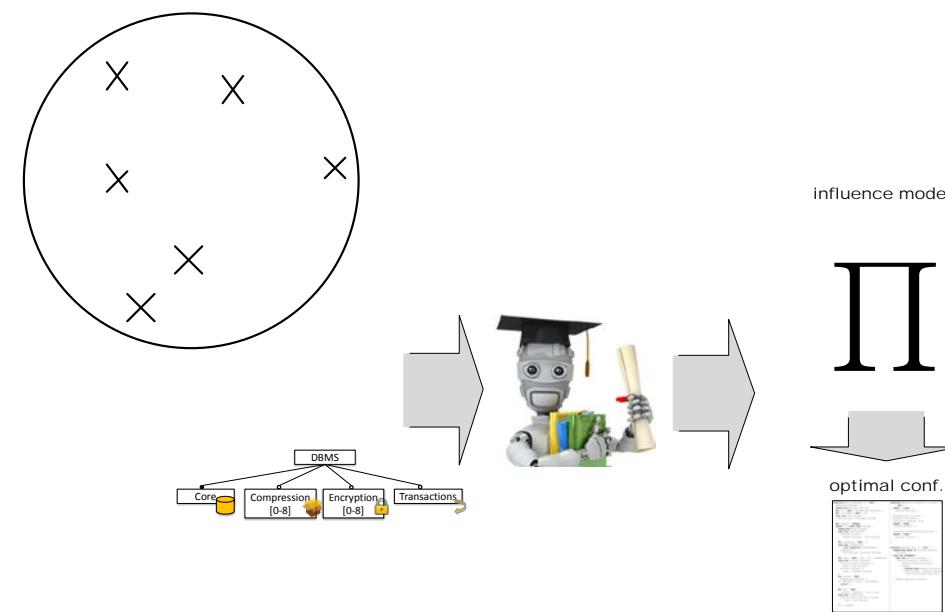


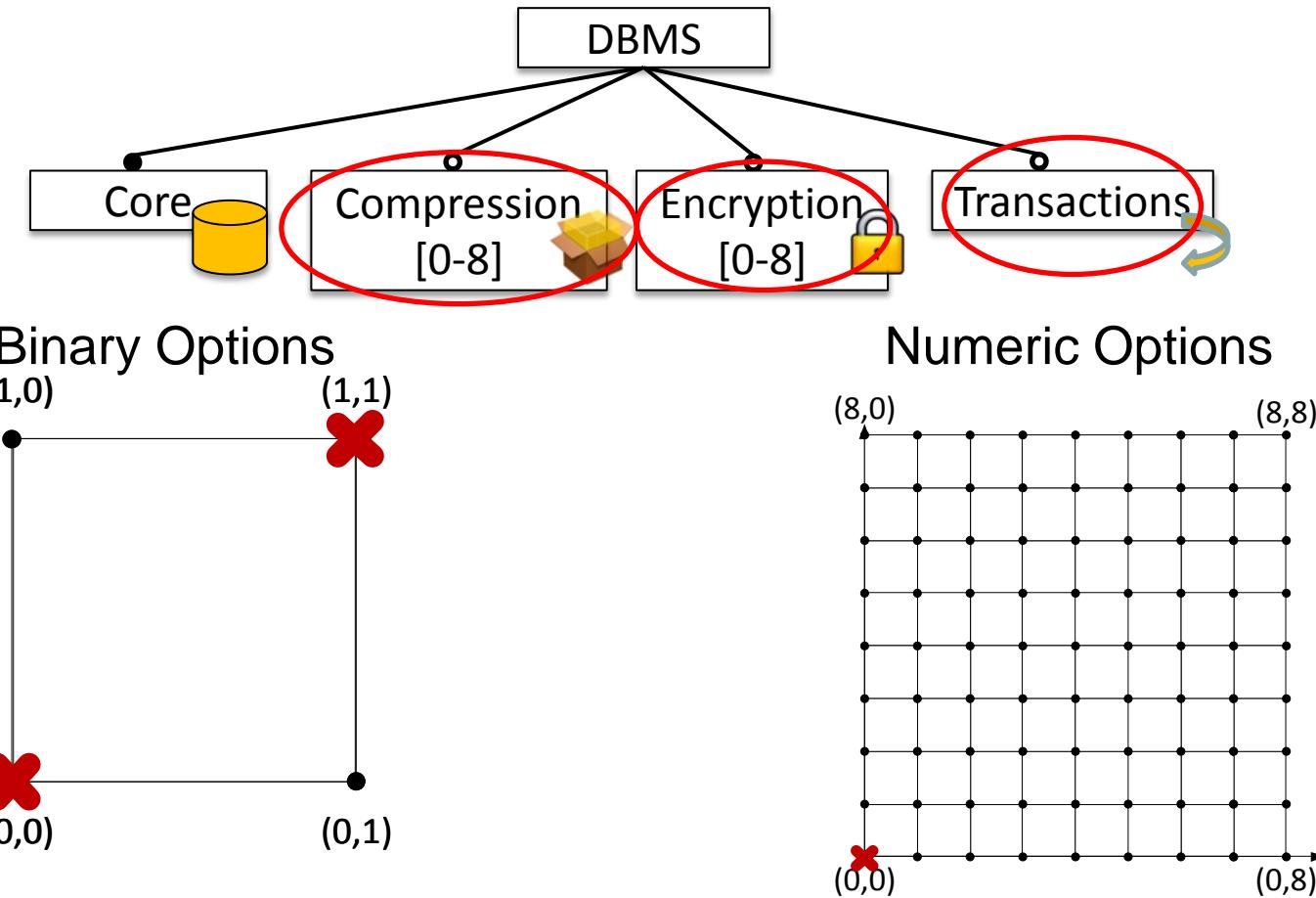
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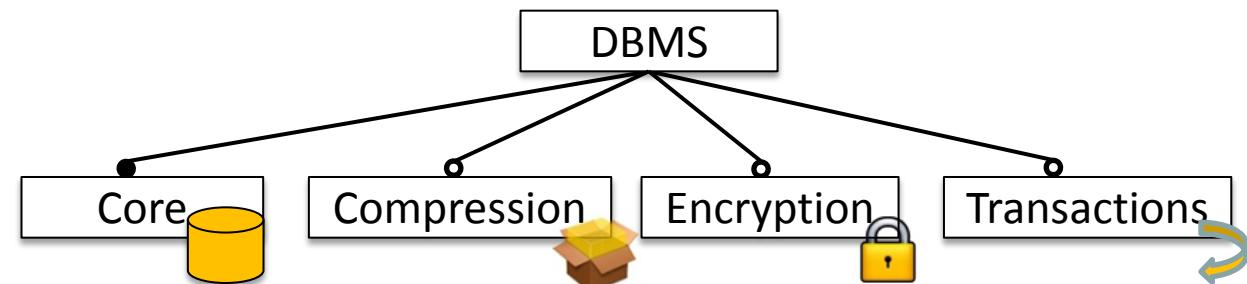
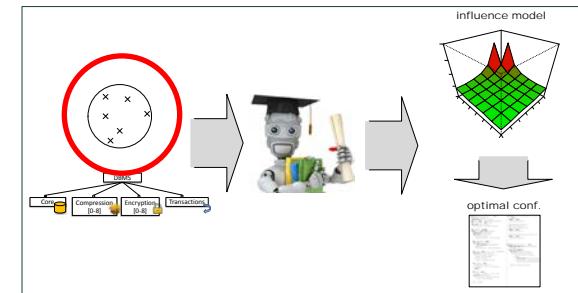




Structured sampling approaches for the different kinds of options



- Random?
 - Unlikely to select a valid configuration
 - Only locally clustered solutions using SAT



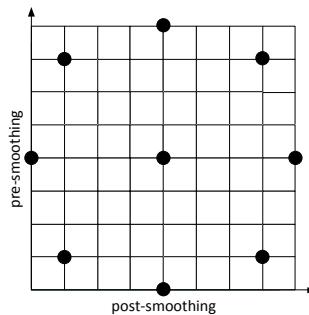
- Heuristics
 - Option-Wise (OW) {  ,  ,  ,  ,  , 

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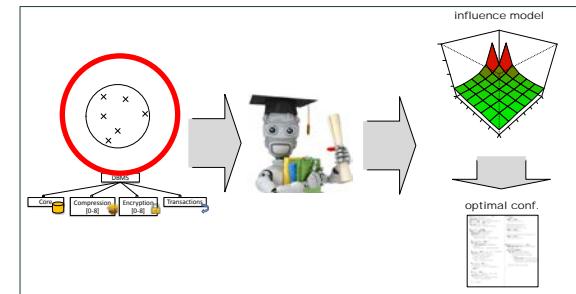
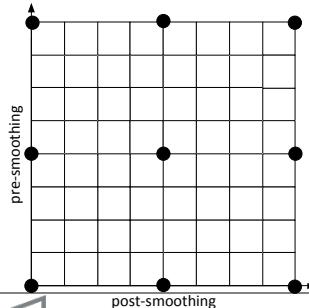


Heuristics for Numeric Options (Design of Experiments)

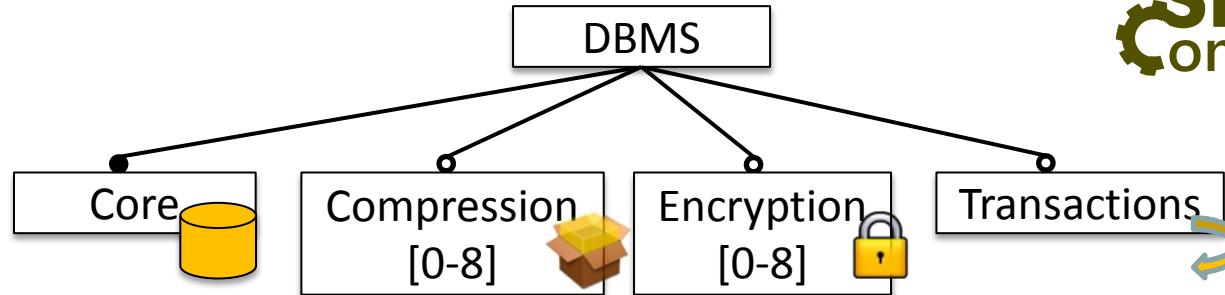
- Response surface models
 - Identify the influence of independent variables on a parameter
 - Scale to multiple numeric options
- Central Composite Design (CCD)



- Plackett-Burman Design (PBD)



(Siegmund et al., FSE'15)



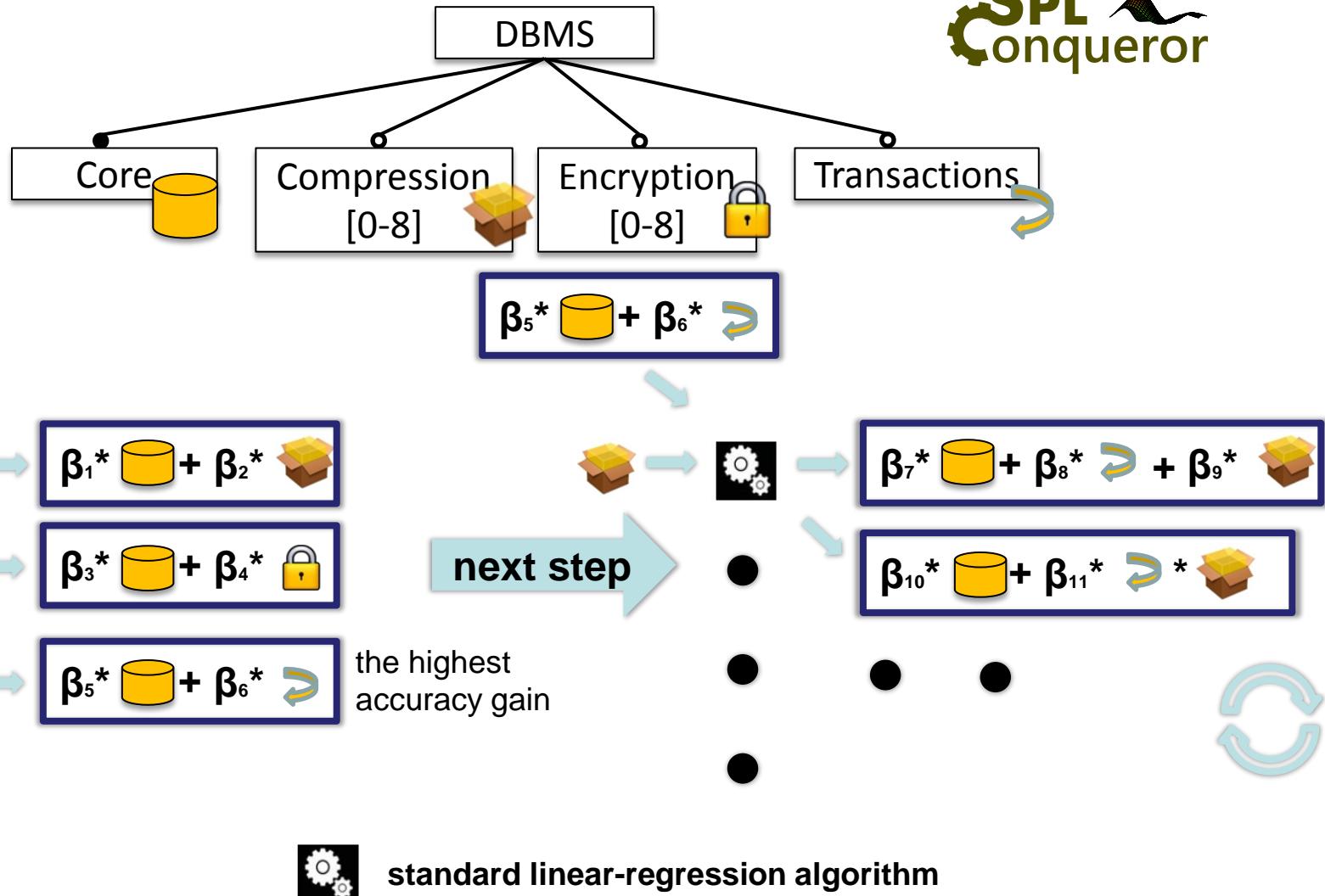
Performance-Influence Model (Π)

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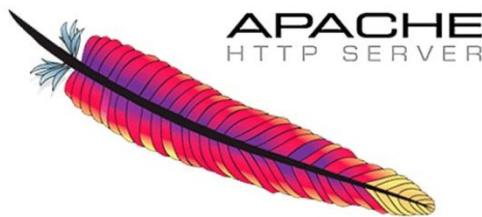
$$\Pi(c) = 100 * \text{Cylinder} + 20 * \text{Box} + 30 * \text{Padlock} + 10 * \text{Circular Arrow} - 10 * \text{Box} * \text{Padlock} + \dots$$

Performance-Influence Model

(Siegmund et al., FSE'15)



DUNE MGS



APACHE
HTTP SERVER



AJStats



Irzip



HIPAcc

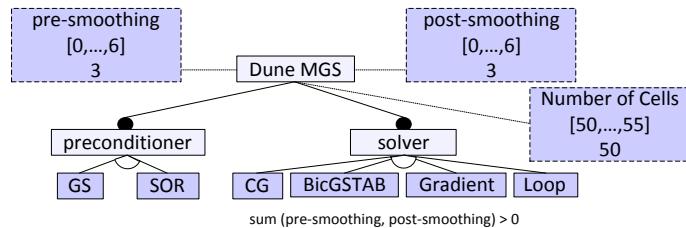
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HSMGP

Experiments: Subject Systems

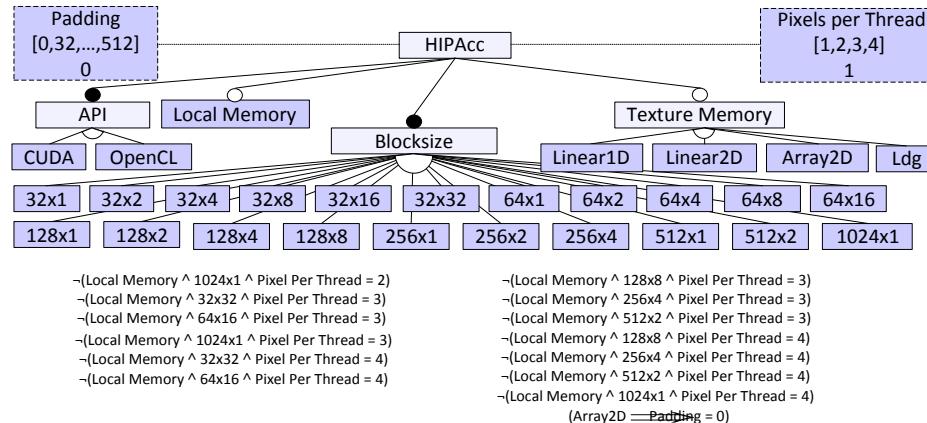
DUNE MGS



- 2 304 configurations
- Intel i5-4570 Quad Code and 32 GB RAM



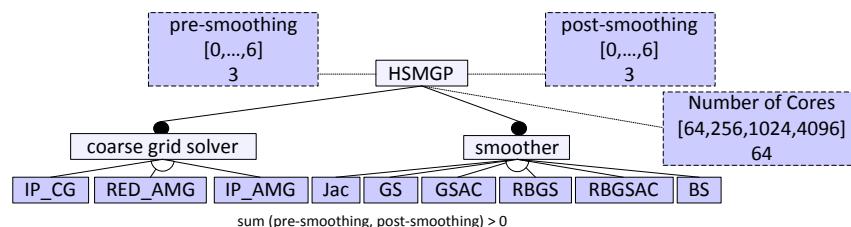
HIPAcc



- 13 485 configurations
- nVidia Tesla K20 with 5GB RAM and 2495 cores



HSMGP



- 3 456 configurations
- JuQueen at Jülich



Experimental Results

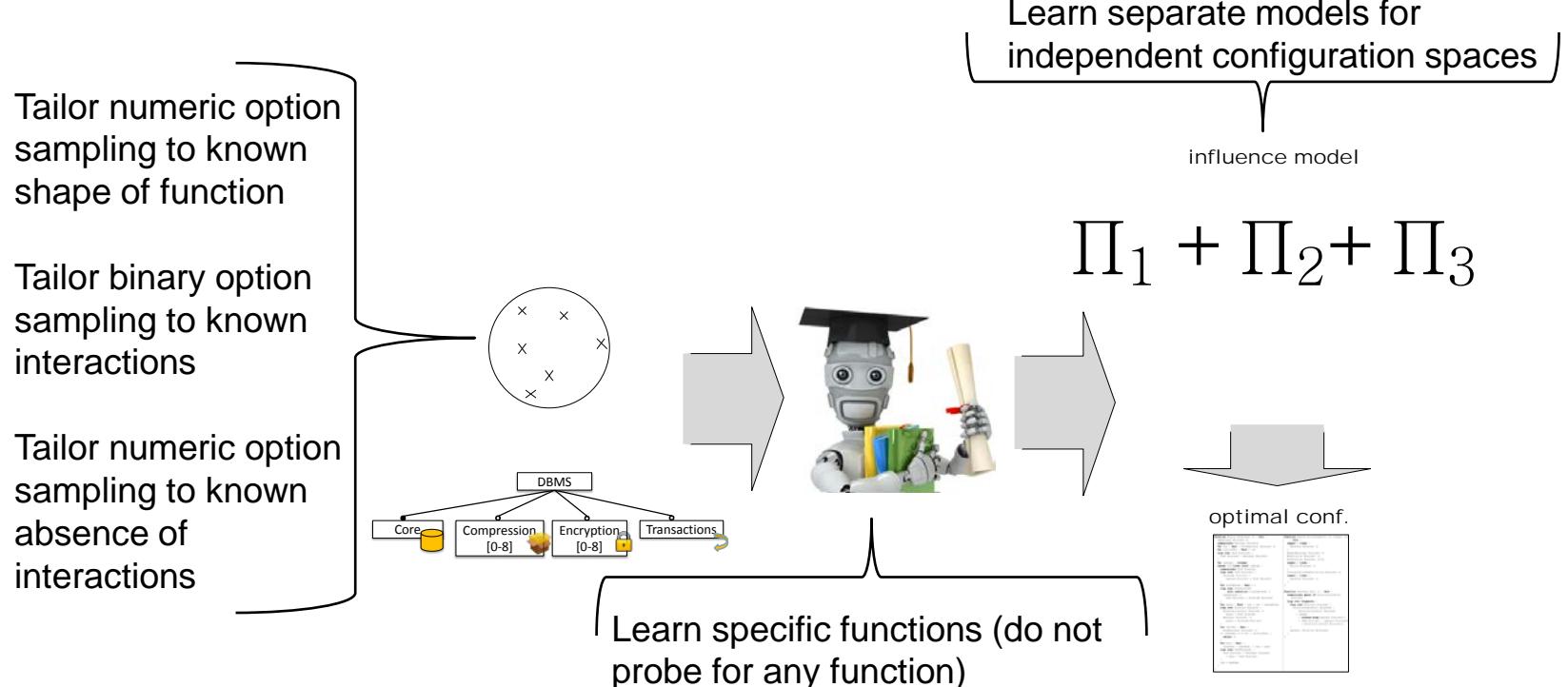
	Option-Wise $\bar{e}/ C $	Pair-Wise $\bar{e}/ C $	Negative Option-Wise $\bar{e}/ C $
Dune MGS			
PBD(9,3)	14.1%/45	14.9%/72	15.8%/45
PBD(49,7)	11.4%/245	11.9%/392	11.6%/245
CCD	11.1%/75	11.9%/120	10.8%/75
HIPAcc			
PBD(9,3)	14.7%/240	13.8%/1221	49.3%/85
PBD(49,7)	13.9%/736	11.1%/3645	41.4%/161
CCD	14.2%/242	10.5%/1247	48.2%/102
HSMGP			
PBD(9,3)	2%/72	2.4%/162	3.3%/72
PBD(49,7)	2.1%/392	1.5%/882	2.4%/392
CCD	3.2%/120	2.7%/270	3.7%/120

\bar{e} : average prediction error, $|C|$: number of measurements

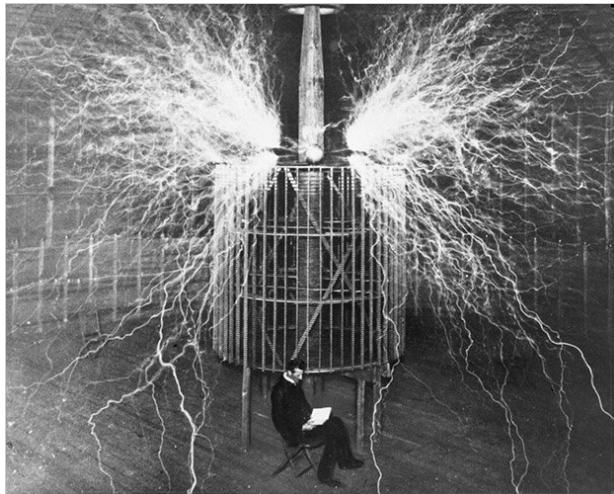
PBD: Plackett-Burman Design, CCD: Central Composite Design

- *Option-Wise* is the best trade-off between prediction accuracy and measurement overhead
- *Option-Wise* combined with *PBD(49,7)* has best accuracy (~avg. error of 9.1%) compared to measurement overhead

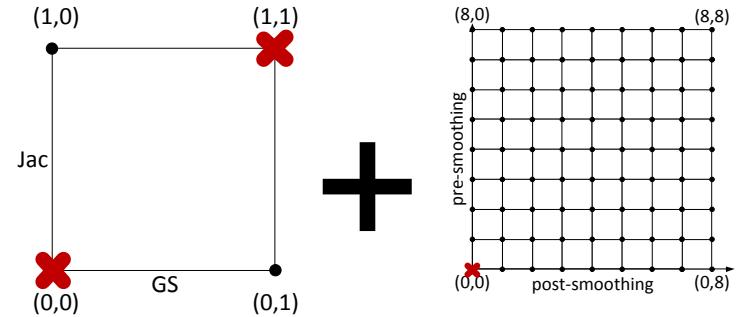
What about Domain Knowledge?



Energy efficiency

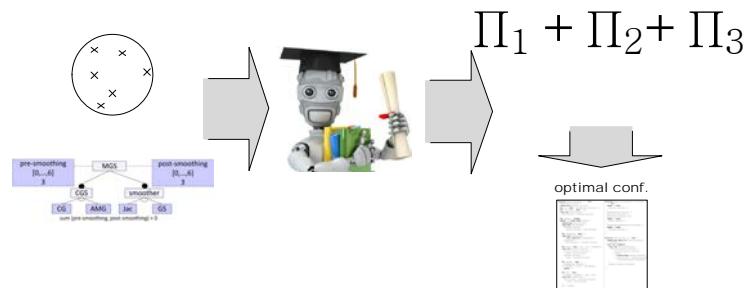


Combined sampling of binary and numeric options



Domain-knowledge integration and validation

influence model



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