Reproducibility Report for ACM SIGMOD 2023 Paper: “InfiniFilter: Expanding Filters to Infinity and Beyond”

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The paper introduces and evaluates InfiniFilter, a novel technique for filter expansion. The experiments included in the paper are reproducible. Our reproduced figures showcase similar trends and relationships between the alternatives compared and support the major findings of the evaluation. We noted variations in the raw latency measurements of some experiments, which can be attributed to hardware differences.

1 INTRODUCTION

This report presents the findings of the reproducibility review conducted for the paper entitled “InfiniFilter: Expanding Filters to Infinity and Beyond” [1] written by Niv Dayan, Ioana Bercea, Pedro Reviriego, and Rasmus Pagh. The authors are affiliated with the University of Toronto, BARC, IT University of Copenhagen, and Universidad Politécnica de Madrid. The work proposes InfiniFilter, a filter-expanding technique that addresses the major drawbacks of current methods. The key figures of the original paper were reproduced successfully.

2 SUBMISSION

The authors provided a link to a publicly available repository (github.com/nivdayan/FilterLibrary). The submission contained the following:

- the source code.
- a detailed README file describing the compilation of the Java project, instructions to run the experiments, and instructions to install the dependencies.
- one Shell script to run all the experiments and to produce the plots (run_exps.sh).

The instructions to set up the code are simple and easy to follow. The script run_exps.sh executes all the experiments shown in Figures 13 through 16 in the paper. It produces both the plots and six directories, named exp1 to exp6, which contain the raw data measurements. All the dependencies required are clearly stated and trivial to install.

3 HARDWARE AND SOFTWARE ENVIRONMENT

Table 1 presents the hardware specification used in the original paper alongside the one used in our reproducibility assessment.

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Table 1. Hardware & Software environment
4 REPRODUCIBILITY EVALUATION

4.1 Process
We followed the instructions included in the repository. We installed the required dependencies and compiled the library accordingly. The script provided by the authors was then used to execute all the experiments and produce the plots. The reproducibility process ran smoothly and was completed in under 6 hours.

4.2 Results
All the experiments presented in the paper were reproduced, as can be noted in Figures 1, 2, 3, and 4. Our results exhibit the same general trends and confirm the findings of the paper, as the relationships between baselines and alternative methods are consistent with the ones reported by the authors. We only note higher absolute values observed for the experiments measuring the
average insert latency for a number of entries lower than $10^5$ (i.e., Figure 13 D and H, and Figure 15 D in the original paper). The differences are attributed to the use of hardware with different specifications.
The second reproducibility review also produced similar results using different hardware, as shown in Figures 5, 6, 7, and 8. Similarly to the original paper, we used a value of 31 for the "power of the maximum number of slots" (PMS). We tested with additional lower values and show the results in the figures included in the Appendix. Changing this parameter still shows similar behavior, with some minor differences.

5 SUMMARY

The reproducibility process produced results consistent with the trends and conclusions presented in the original paper. The authors provided clear instructions, and the reproducibility assessment has been carried out with no issues.

REFERENCES

6 APPENDIX

Fig. 9. Reproduction of Figure 13 (PMS=24).

Fig. 10. Reproduction of Figure 14 (PMS=24).

Fig. 11. Reproduction of Figure 15 (PMS=24).
Fig. 12. Reproduction of Figure 16 (PMS=24).

Fig. 13. Reproduction of Figure 13 (PMS=16).

Fig. 14. Reproduction of Figure 14 (PMS=16).

Fig. 15. Reproduction of Figure 15 (PMS=16).
Fig. 16. Reproduction of Figure 16 (PMS=16).