



Window Management using AI

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The Idea

- ▶ Better window management using machine learning techniques.
- ▶ More efficient window switching
- ▶ Automatic grouping of windows

Possible Methods

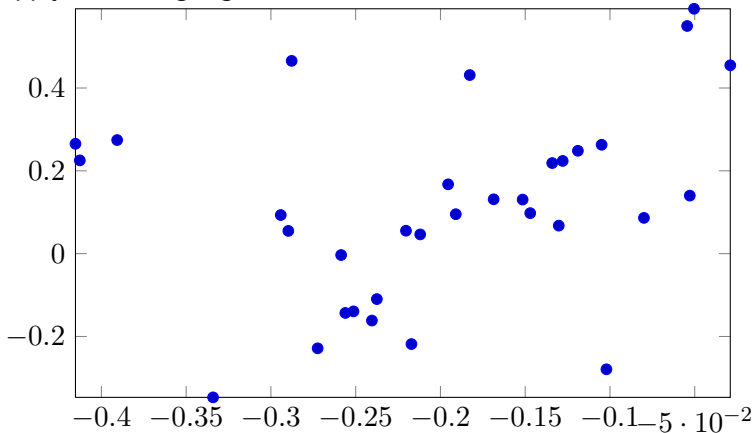
- ▶ Use clustering to detect window groups
- ▶ Predict window switching through feature extraction.

Data collection

- ▶ We wrote a logger that kept track of all open windows
- ▶ collected data:
 - ▶ Window creation, switching and closing
 - ▶ Window title
 - ▶ Application names
 - ▶ Window position and size
 - ▶ Workspaces
- ▶ 7000 window switches in 30+ sessions on 2 machines.

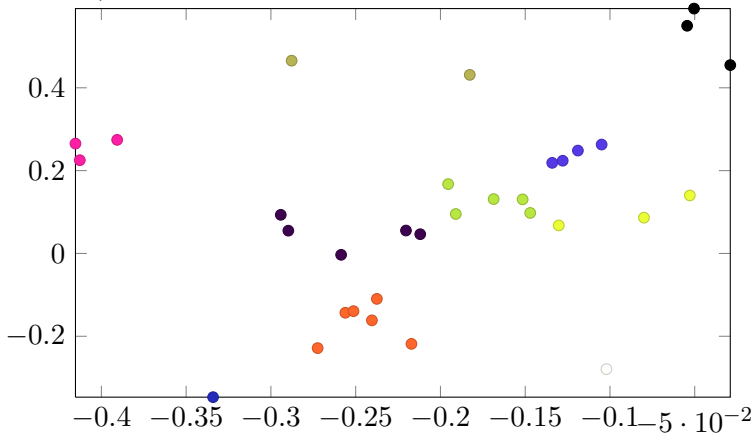
Clustering

- ▶ Embed all windows in an n -dimensional graph
- ▶ Apply clustering algorithm like k -means



Standard clustering methods

- ▶ We tried standard clustering methods like
- ▶ *k*-means, DBSCAN



Rule-based Clustering

- ▶ Rules to cope with low amounts of data.
- ▶ Works in our case, but not (necessarily) in general
- ▶ In our case: strong pairs
 - ▶ editor + terminal
- ▶ Use bigram count:

$$S(w_i|w_j) = C(w_i|w_j) + C(w_j|w_i)$$

Rule-based Clustering

It works quite well (in one case!):

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URxvt: % ~/LTH/mcore/cell
Gvim: dataflow.c (~/.LTH/mcore/cell/spu) ((1) of 2) - GVIM1
URxvt: % ~/LTH/algimp/proj
URxvt: [power] ~/mcoretest
Gvim: twosys_fm.c (~/.LTH/algimp/proj) - GVIM2
URxvt: # ~bjorn/LTH/mcore
URxvt: # /home/bjorn
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URxvt: % ~/LTH/intsys
Gvim: model.py (~/.LTH/intsys) - GVIM
Chromium: New Tab - Chromium
URxvt: # /home/bjorn/.local/wmlogs
Chromium: fileadmin.cs.lth.se/cs/Education/EDAF15/labs/lab4/index.html - Chromium
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Gvim: pres.tex (~/.LTH/intsys/pres) - GVIM5
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Evince: pgfplots.pdf - Package PGFPLOTS manual
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Feature switching

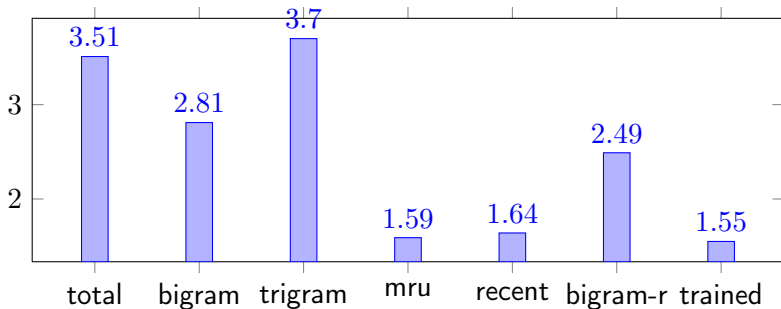
- ▶ Ranking by linear combination of features:

$$P(w_i) = \sum_j q_j r_j f_j(w_i)$$

- ▶ Features:
 - ▶ Bigram probabilities:
 $P(w_i|w_j)$
 - ▶ Total number of switches $N(w_i)$
 - ▶ Time-variant versions of the above
"recent" and "bigram-recent"
 - ▶ Most-recently used
- ▶ Weight adjusted by "relevancy factor" r_j (amount of data)

Evaluation: Feature switching

- ▶ We trained the system on the logs:



- ▶ no significant improvement over MRU
- ▶ Bigram model not good (not enough data)

Conclusion and Future possibilities

- ▶ Hard to predict switching better than MRU
- ▶ General clustering algorithms require more data
- ▶ Collect more data (from separate users)
- ▶ Investigate clustering methods more rigorously