

Threshold Estimation in Self-Destructing Scheme Using Regression Analysis

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- As users increasingly use and store personal information in cloud storage, **research on privacy protection models** is becoming more important.
- A **Self-Destructing Scheme** has been proposed to **prevent the decryption of encrypted user data** after a certain period of time using a DHT network.
- However, the existing privacy protection model does not mention the method of setting the threshold value considering the availability and security of the data.
- Therefore, in this paper, we propose an **optimal threshold finding method** considering both data availability and security of privacy protection model by applying regression analysis.

• Vanish System

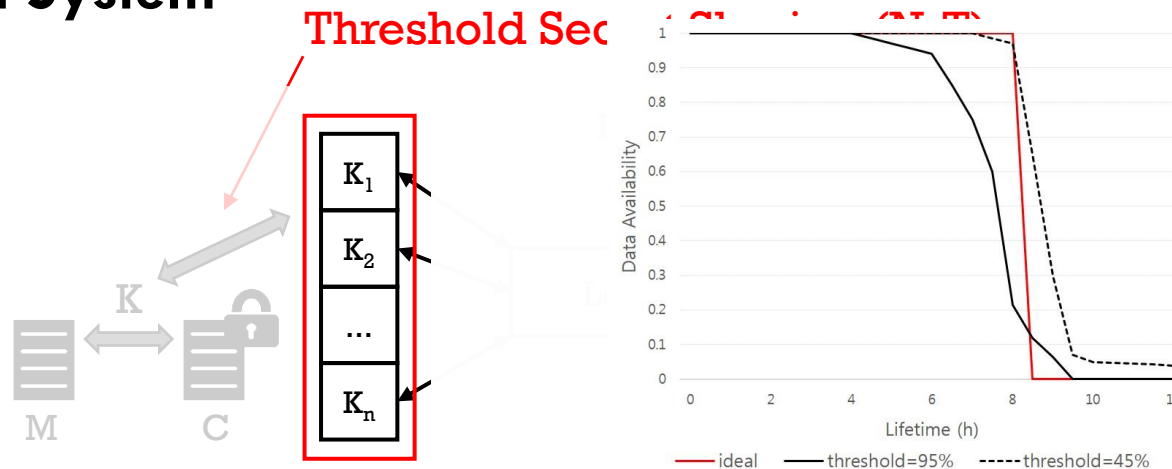


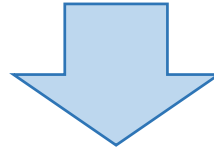
Fig. 1. Vanish: Self-Destructing Scheme

$$\text{Threshold Ratio} = \frac{\text{Num.of subkeys to create the key } K}{\text{Total num.of subkeys}}$$

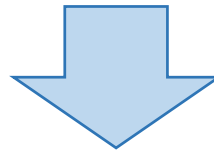
How can we determine the Optimal Threshold Ratio?

Roxana Geambasu, Tadayoshi Kohno, Amit A. Levy and Henry M. Levy, "Vanish: Increasing data privacy with self-destructing data," USENIX Security Symposium, June 2009, pp.299-316.

**Optimal Threshold Ratio prediction considering
User-specified Time, Key Size, Availability and Security**



**Inference of results based on the relationship
between Independent Variables**



Suggest a solution using Regression Analysis

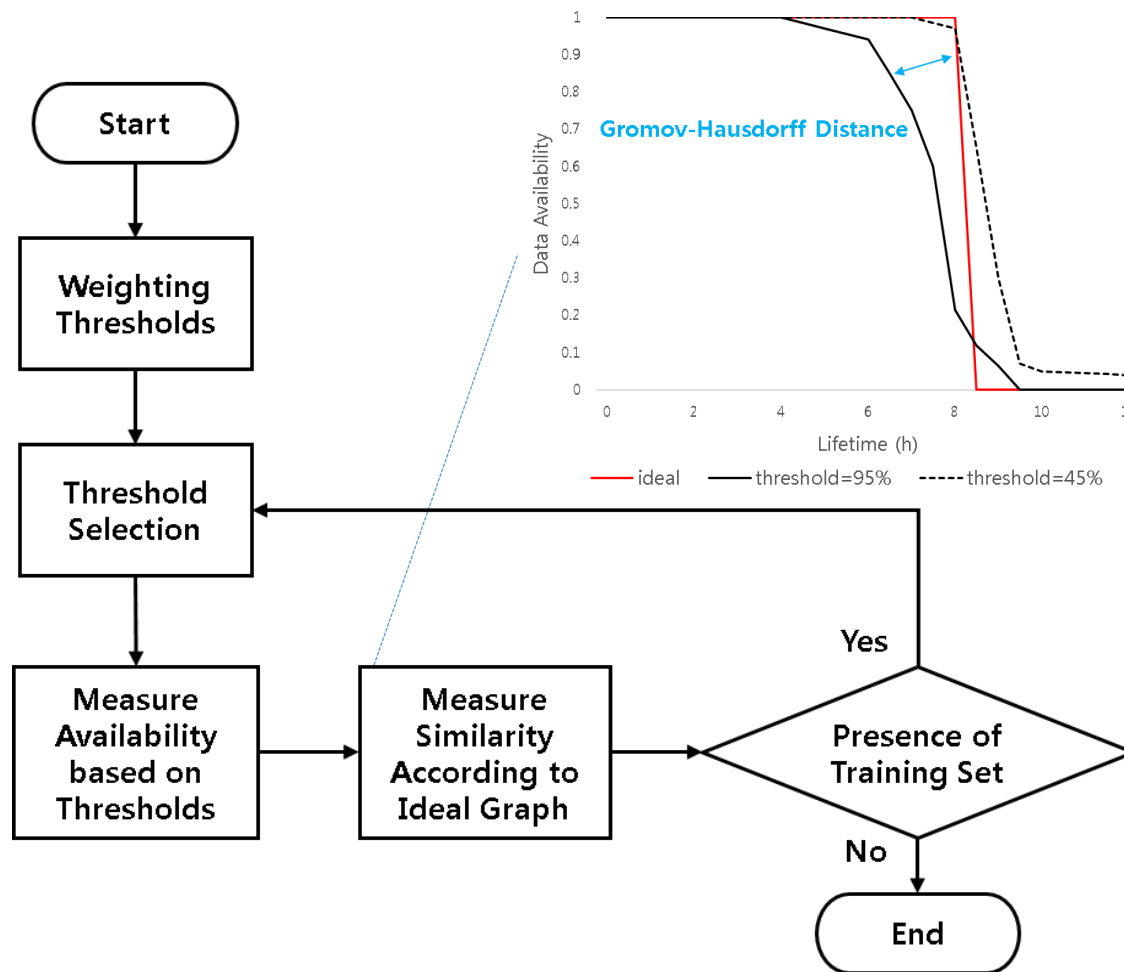


Fig. 3. Flowchart of Process for Regression Analysis

- We classify prediction process into training and testing to improve the accuracy.
(Training Set : Testing Set = 7 : 3)

Algorithm 1 Training Phase

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1: if there is training set then
2:   extract data information from training set
3:   N = total number of key shares
4:   T = threshold ratio
5:   set current time
6:   measure data availability graph
7:   if the user-specified time is expires then
8:     F = similarity of availability graph with ideal
9:     save the result of training set
10:  else
11:    wait until the user-specified time is expires
12:  end if
13: else
14:   calculate nonlinear regression equation
15: end if
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<Training Phase>

Algorithm 2 Testing Phase

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1: if there is training set then
2:   extract data information from testing set
3:   N = total number of key shares
4:   T = threshold ratio
5:   NE = closet N from training set
6:   TE = estimated threshold ratio
7:   set current time
8:   measure data availability graph
9:   if the user-specified time is expires then
10:     F = similarity of availability graph with ideal
11:     FE = similarity of estimated availability graph
12:     save the result of testing set
13:   else
14:     wait until the user-specified time is expires
15:   end if
16: else
17:   update nonlinear regression equation
18: end if
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<Testing Phase>



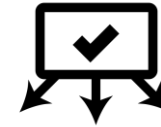
Total Num. of Key Shares
&
Threshold Ratio



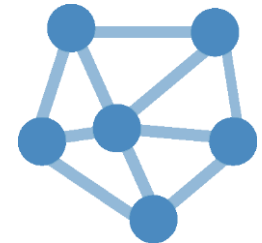
Graph Similarity Analysis



Regression Analysis Modeling



Distribute Key Shares



User-specified Time



- Simple command line tool using Levenberg-Marquardt algorithm for regression modeling (<https://github.com/claudejrogers/curvefit>)

Table 1: Experiment Environment

DHT Network Type	Vuze(Azureus)
Num. of Training Set	1000
Num. of Key Shares for each Training Set	100

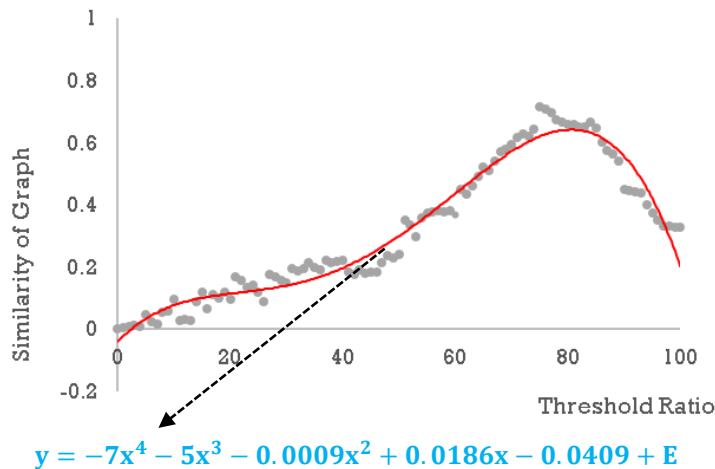


Fig. 4. Regression Analysis According to Similarity Graph

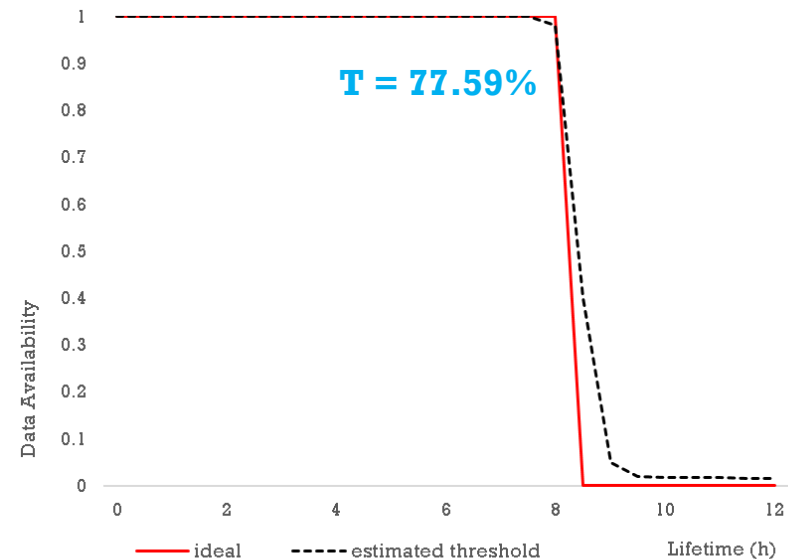


Fig. 5. Availability Graph According to Estimated Threshold

- In this paper, we propose **a method to find optimal threshold in Self-Destructing Scheme** considering both availability and security of data by applying regression analysis.
- In addition, the availability of the data with the estimated threshold value by the regression analysis and the result are sufficiently reliable.
- However, there is a limitation that the threshold estimation method proposed in this paper **takes much time in the predicting process**.
- Therefore, in the future, we will study methods to **minimize the time required for the predicting process** by using approaches such as clustering or parallel computation.

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