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**Abstract**—This research proposes an advanced approach that improves the efficiency of skyline query processing by significantly reducing the computational cost on object comparisons, i.e., dominance tests between objects.

## I. INTRODUCTION

Given a set of objects in a  $d$ -dimensional space, the skyline query returns objects that are not dominated by any other objects in the object set [1].

Skyline queries have been used as convenient means for multi-criteria decision-making since their introduction to database community. An example of a skyline query over hotels in a 2-dimensional space is illustrated in Fig. 1. In the example, the query takes the price and the distance from hotel to beach into account, and returns hotels {a, e, h, i, j} as skyline objects because there does not exist any hotel that is either cheaper (with the same distance), closer to the beach (with the same price), or better in both dimensions.

## II. MBR-ORIENTED APPROACH

### A. Framework Overview

Skyline queries are evaluated in three steps in our solutions.

## III. CARDINALITY ESTIMATION

We provide an estimation of the cardinality of skyline query and dependent group of MBRs in this section.

### A. Cardinality of Skyline Query over MBRs

1) *Discrete Data Space*: Given a discrete data space  $\mathbb{R}^d = [0, n^i)^d$ , where  $n^i$  indicates the upper bound of the data space in the  $i^{th}$  dimension. The attribute values of objects under a uniform data distribution are evenly distributed across the data space in each dimension.

## IV. EXPERIMENTAL VALIDATION

In this section, we evaluate the performance of the proposed skyline solutions over both synthetic and real-world datasets.

## V. RELATED WORK

### A. Skyline Query

The skyline query, also known as maximal vector computation [2], was first introduced in database management system by [1].

## VI. CONCLUSION

We propose two advanced skyline solutions utilizing novel concepts of skyline query and dependent groups over MBRs for minimizing the cost of dominance test.

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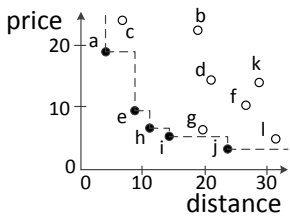


Fig. 1. A skyline query over hotels.

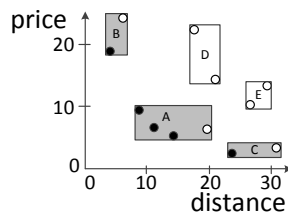


Fig. 2. A skyline query over MBRs. A, B, C, D, and E indicate five MBRs.