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Extracting Software Modules as Communities

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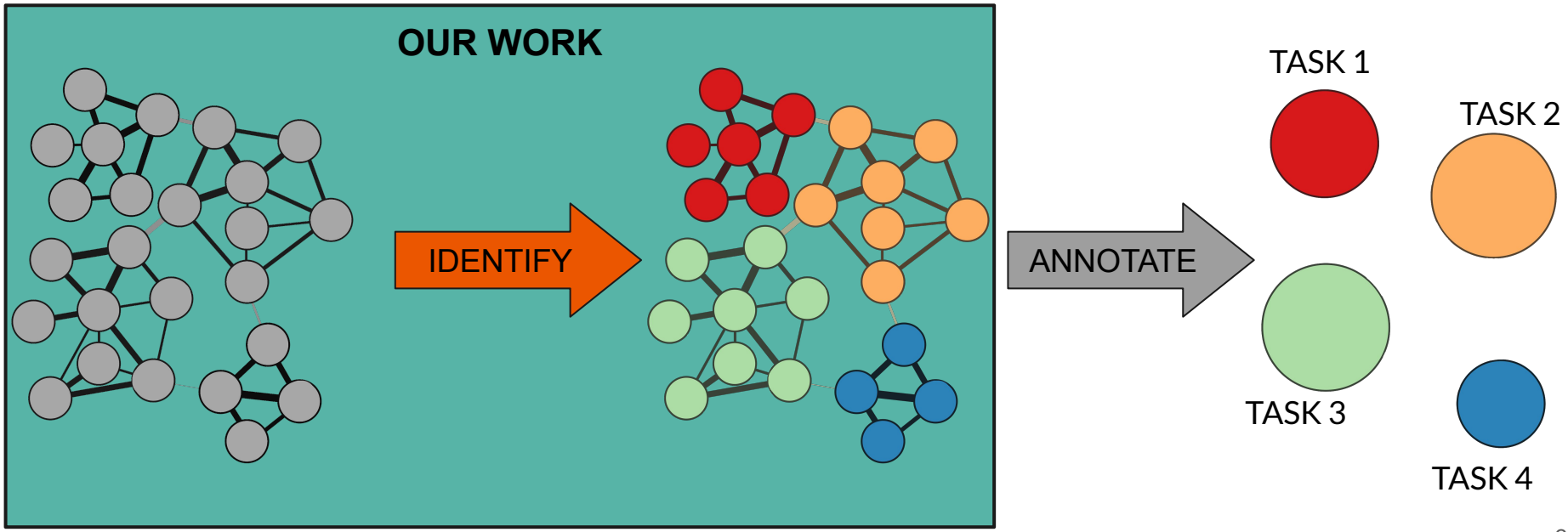
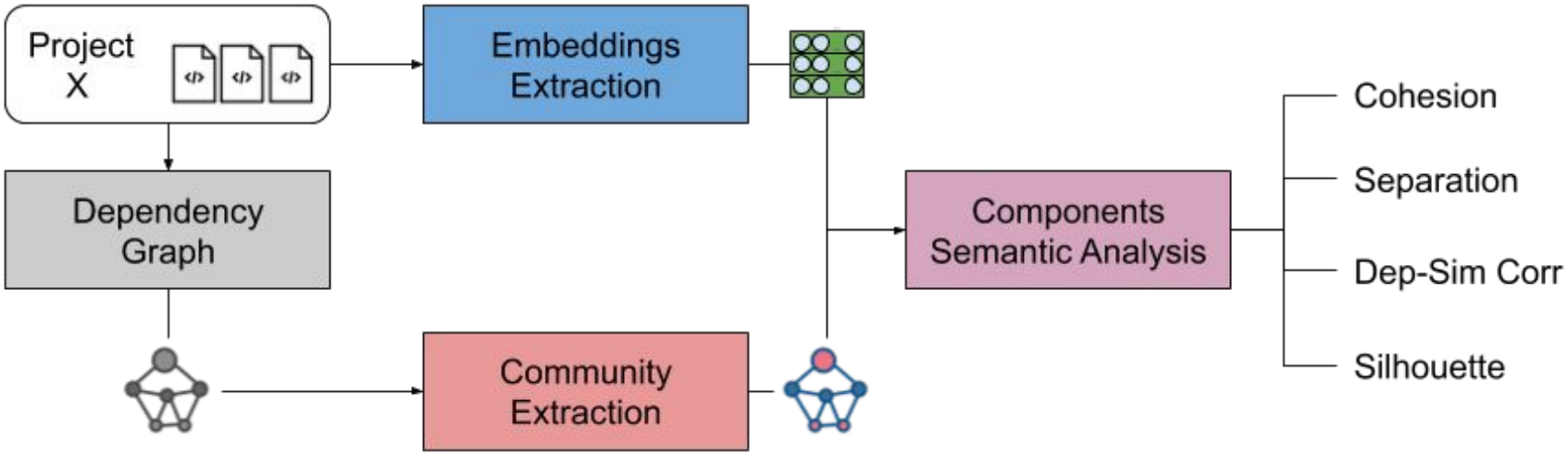
Goal



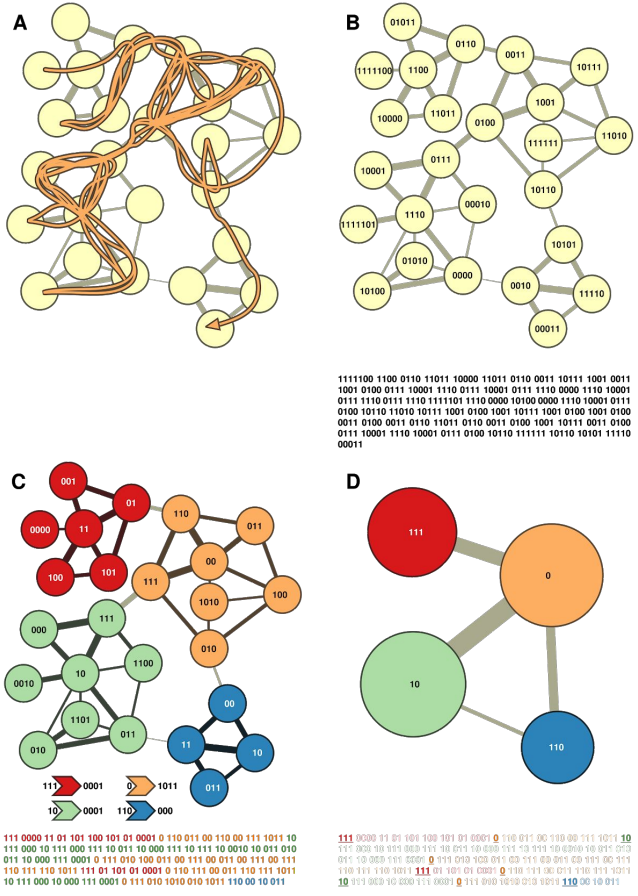
Pipeline


Project X
Embeddings Extraction
Dependency Graph
Components Semantic Analysis
Community Extraction
Cohesion
Separation
Dep-Sim Corr
Silhouette

Infomap

Optimizes **Information Flow**

1. Create random walk
2. Encodes it using Huffman coding
3. Optimize the encoding by using two level codebooks



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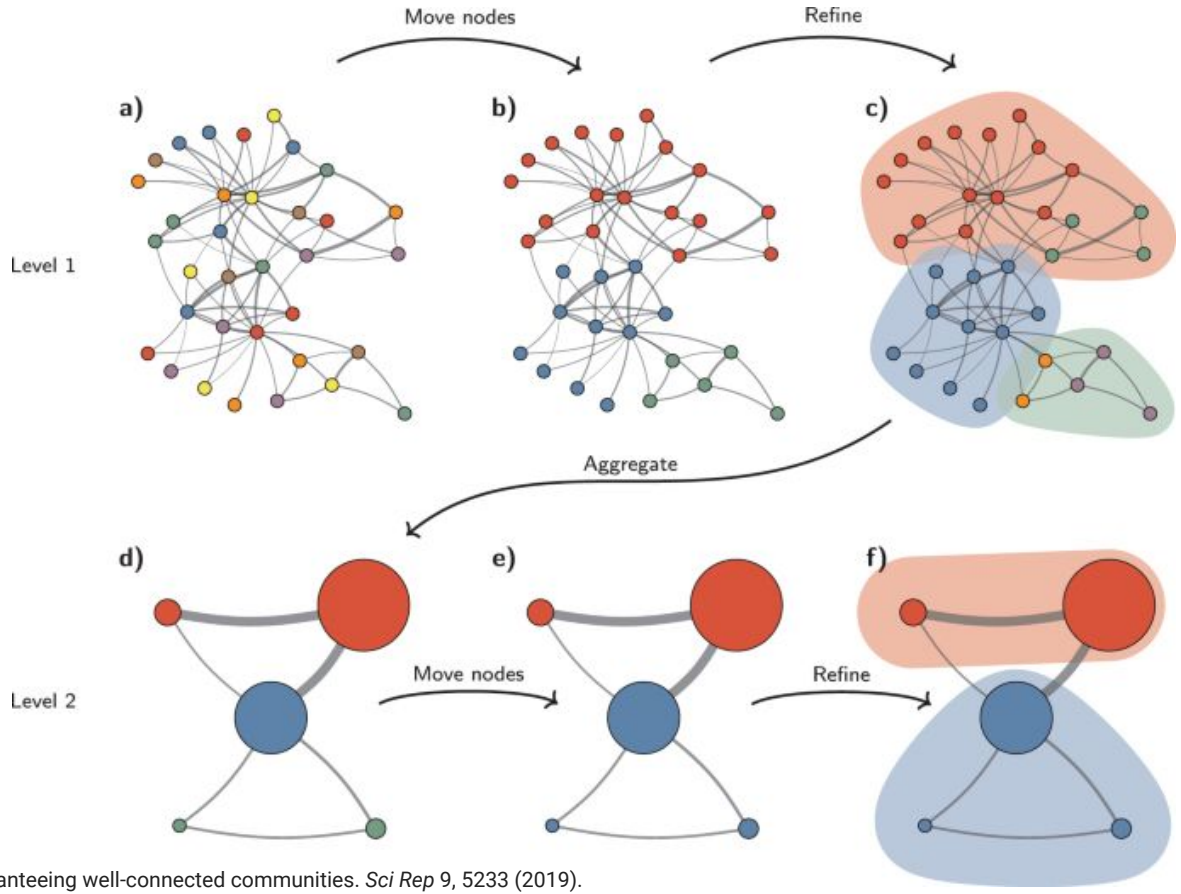
Leiden

Optimizes **Modularity**

1. Move nodes between communities to create partitions
2. Refine partitions
3. Aggregate
4. Repeat



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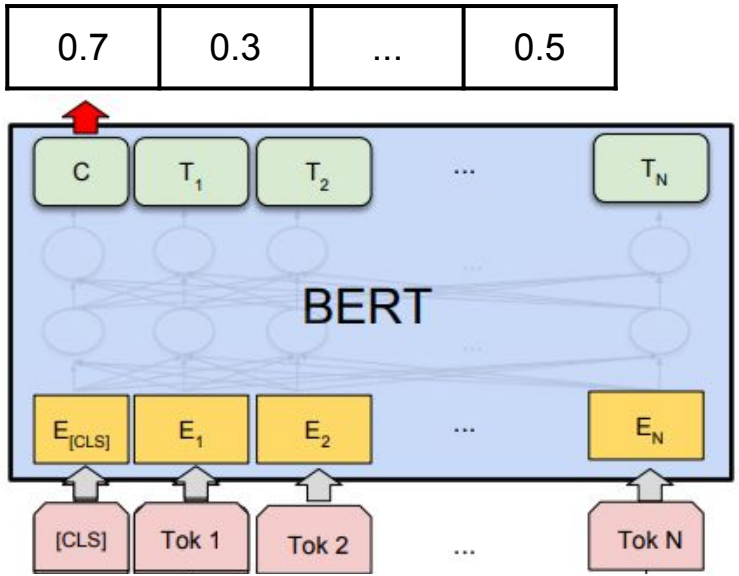
TFIDF

$$tfidf(t, d, D) = tf(t, d) \times idf(t, D)$$

	Term 1	Term 2	Term ...	Term N
Doc 1	0	0.23	...	0
Doc 2	0.40	0.15	...	0
Doc 3	0.1	0	...	0.1

BERT



Document Representation

- TF-IDF
  - of identifiers
- BERT embeddings
  - of identifiers
  - of package + class name

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// Input Source Code
import java.util.Scanner;

class SquareArea {
   public static void main (String[] args) {
     System.out.println("Enter Side of Square:");
     Scanner scanner = new Scanner(System.in);
     double side = scanner.nextDouble();
     double area = side * side;
     System.out.println("Area of Square is: " + area);
   }
}

// Output Identifiers
['area', 'side', 'next', 'demo', 'square', 'system']
```

Data

Project Size

	antlr4	avro	openj9
# Nodes	384	292	910
# Edges	2,386	1,175	3,865

Extracted Communities

	antlr4	avro	openj9
Leiden	7	12	26
Infomap	3	6	16

Evaluation 1/2

TABLE III: Average cohesion of components

Project	BERT				TF-IDF	
	Package		Document			
	Leiden	Infomap	Leiden	Infomap	Leiden	Infomap
antlr4	0.8672	0.8804	0.8932	0.9055	0.3096	0.3661
avro	0.8171	0.8487	0.9197	0.9256	0.4617	0.4491
openj9	0.8767	0.8645	0.9097	0.9043	0.4466	0.4371

TABLE IV: Average similarity between components

Project	BERT				TF-IDF	
	Package		Document			
	Leiden	Infomap	Leiden	Infomap	Leiden	Infomap
antlr4	0.9384	0.9448	0.9705	0.9729	0.4679	0.5649
avro	0.8677	0.8741	0.9329	0.9545	0.3336	0.4740
openj9	0.8523	0.8421	0.9425	0.9401	0.2256	0.2315

Evaluation 2/2

TABLE V: Silhouette scores for the extracted communities

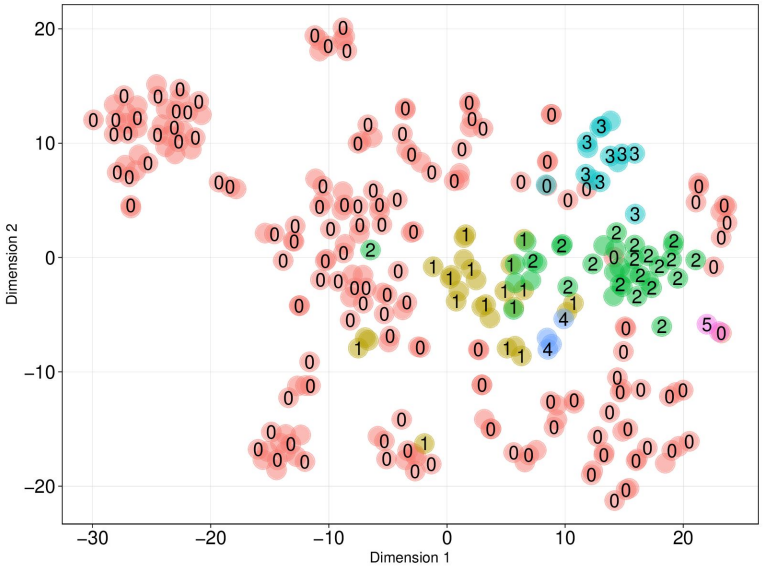
Project	BERT				TF-IDF	
	Package		Document			
	Leiden	Infomap	Leiden	Infomap	Leiden	Infomap
antlr4	+0.0707	+0.0750	+0.0152	+0.0084	+0.1028	+0.0783
avro	+0.0292	−0.0420	−0.0069	−0.1385	+0.1263	+0.0470
openj9	+0.0497	−0.0104	−0.0502	−0.0882	+0.1184	+0.0585

TABLE VI: Pearson's r for the number of dependencies between components and the semantic similarity.

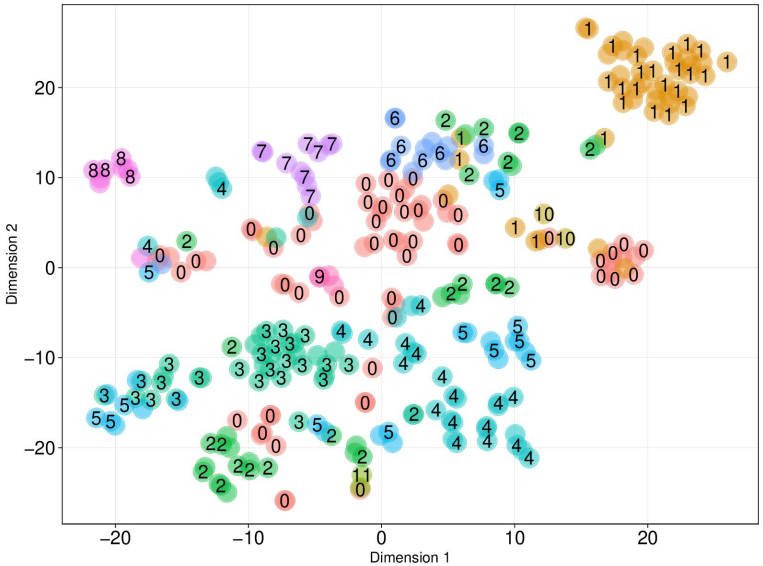
Project	BERT				TF-IDF	
	Package		Document			
	Leiden	Infomap	Leiden	Infomap	Leiden	Infomap
antlr4	0.1188	0.0049	0.2299	0.2681	−0.0150	−0.1108
avro	0.2762	0.1145	0.2065	0.2361	0.0705	−0.0405
openj9	0.1614	0.1766	0.1249	0.1472	0.1263	0.1813

Visualization - TSNE of Avro's TFIDF

Infomap



Leiden



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Conclusions

- **Leiden**:
  - Less cohesive
  - Better separated
  - Better clustered components
  - Lower dependency on similar components
- **Infomap**:
  - More cohesive
  - Slightly overlapping clusters
  - Higher dependency on similar components

Future Work

- Increase the Sample
- Qualitative Evaluation
- Components Classification