# **Combinational Nonuniform Timeslicing of Dynamic Networks**

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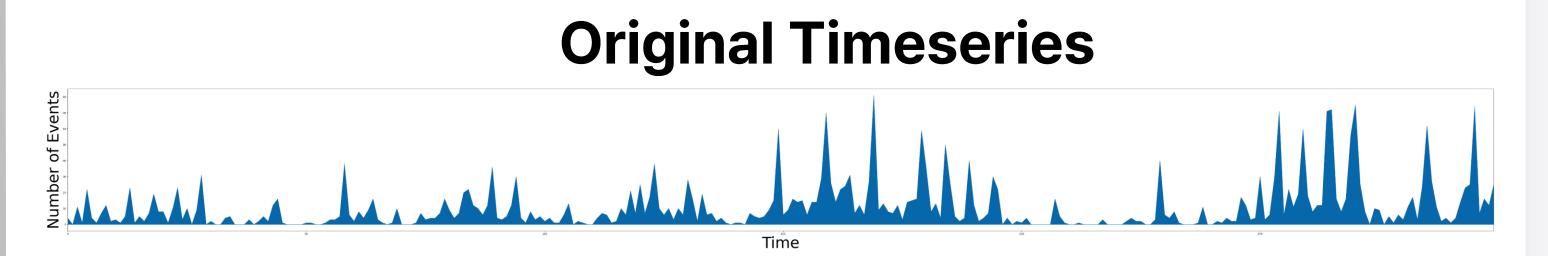
#### Background

- Finding an optimal timeslicing interval is essential for meaningful analysis of dynamic networks[1].
- Nonuniform timeslicing, which adapts to density changes within the network, can be the solution.
- Approaches in Data Mining[3] concentrate in detecting changes in network, but sometimes create too dense and complex timeslices.
- Approaches in Visualization[4] focus on lessening human cognitive load in visual analysis, but lack consideration of highlighting network changes.

#### Research Goals

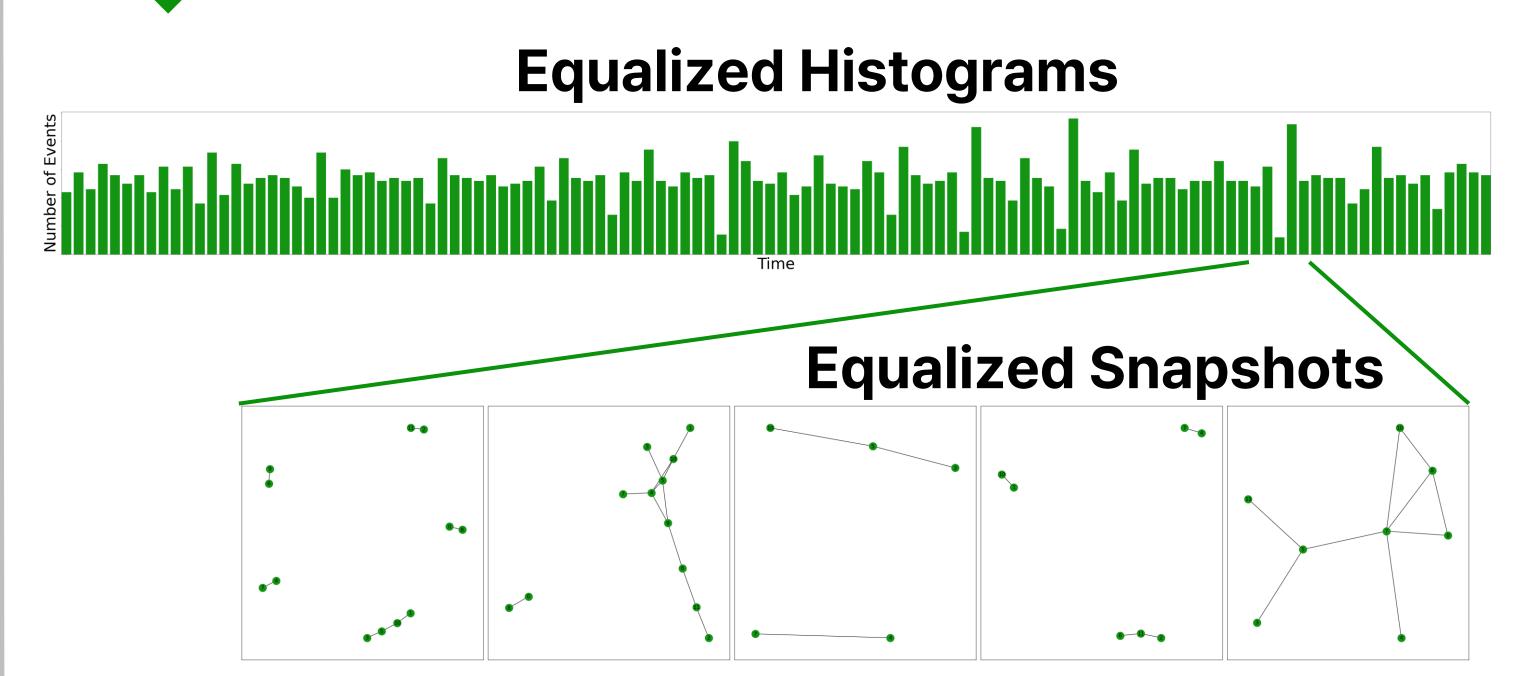
- Propose a **nonuniform timeslicing method** that synthesizes **the strengths of both approaches**.
- Demonstrate efficacy of the proposed method with a real-world data.

#### Method





Create segments with Histogram equalization [4]



Aggregate similar segments [3]

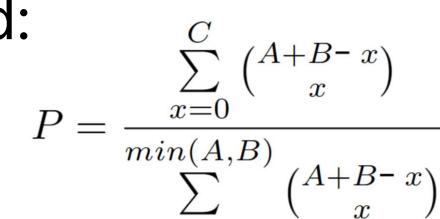


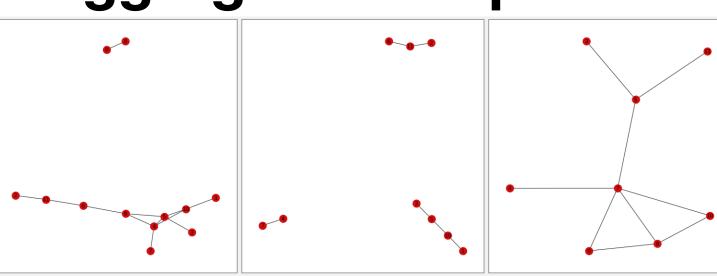
Similarity:

$$J_{link}(t_1, t_i) = \frac{|L_{t_1} \cap L_{t_i}|}{|L_{t_1} \cup L_{t_i}|}$$

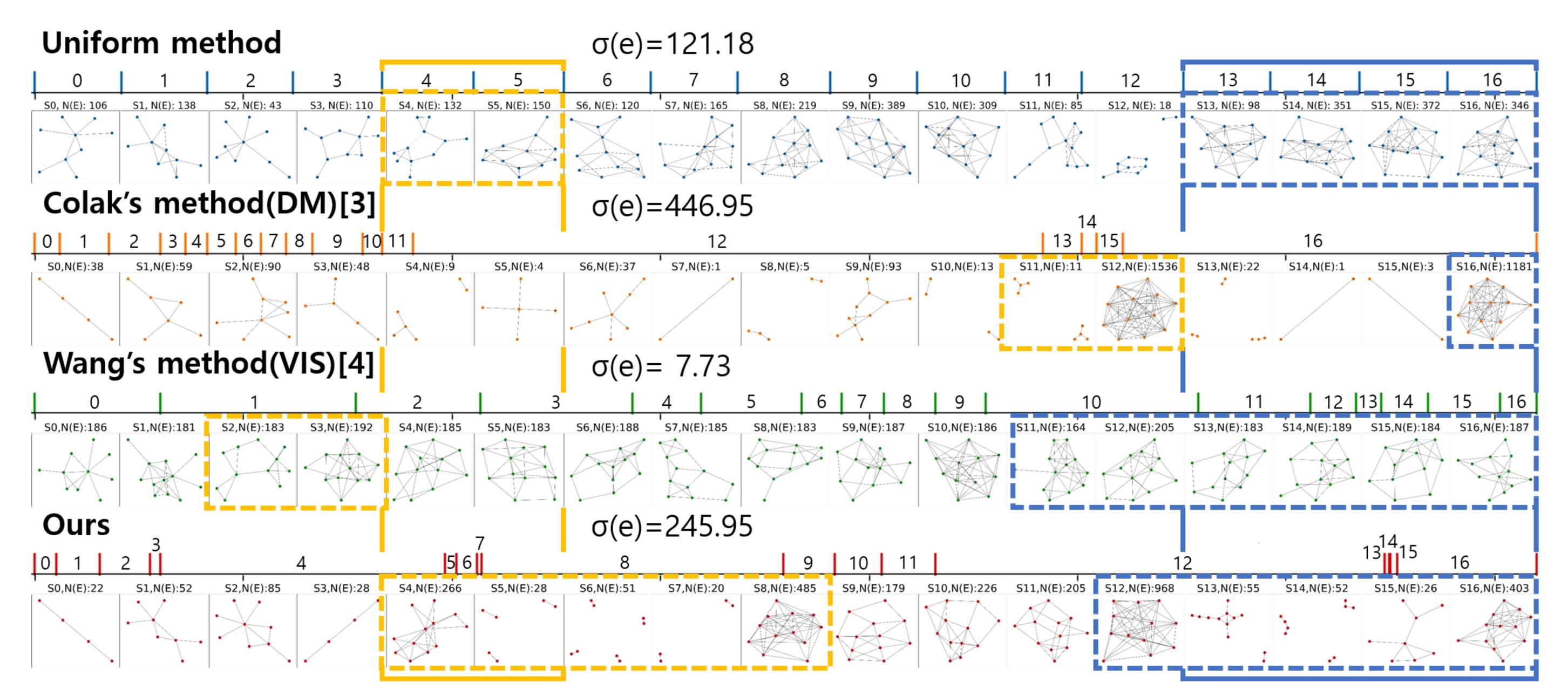
**Aggregated Snapshots** 

Threshold:





## **Experiment with Rugby Dataset [2]**



### Conclusion

- With the experiment, we discovered that **by combining the opposing approaches**, it is possible **to mitigate some of the issues** inherent to each individual method and **discover hidden patterns** from the dataset.
- In future work, we further aim to develop an advanced nonuniform timeslicing technique based on our findings.

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