# RANKING ROBUSTNESS UNDER SUB-SAMPLING FOR THE SAT COMPETITION 2018

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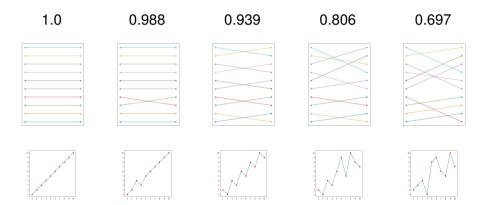
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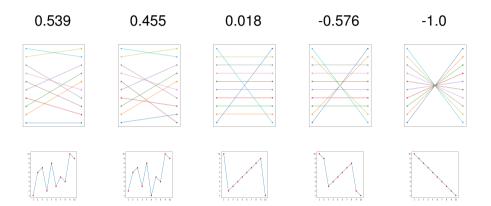
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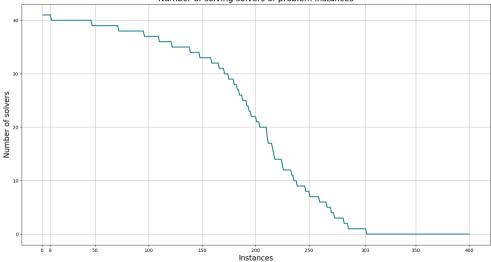


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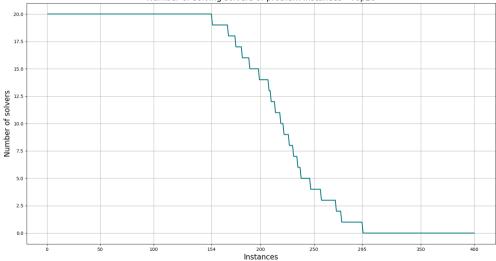


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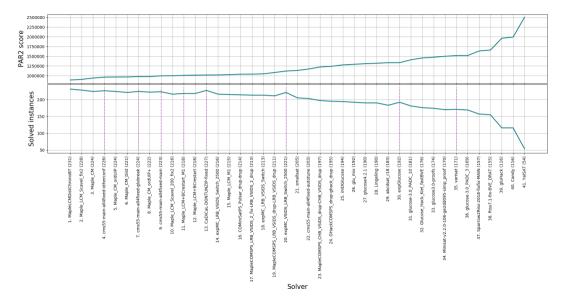
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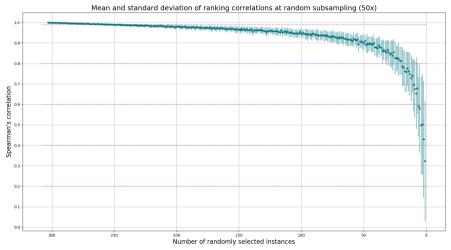
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  - □ 5 instances (on one verification failed)

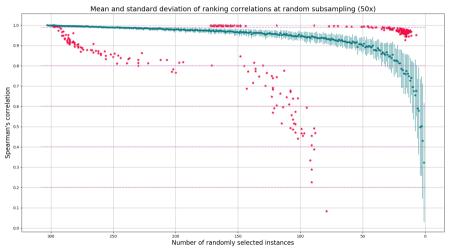


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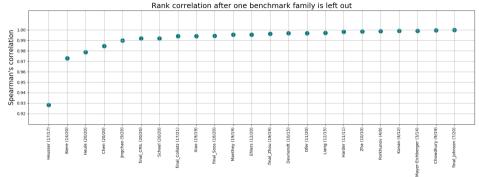
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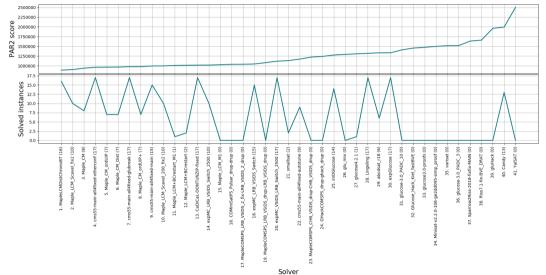


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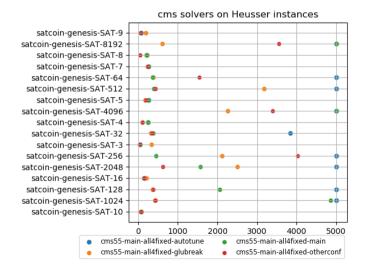


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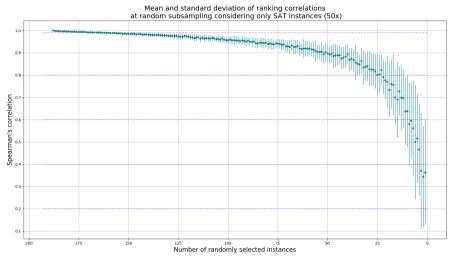
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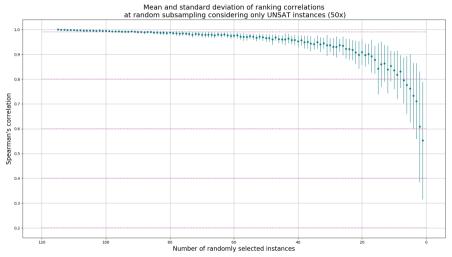
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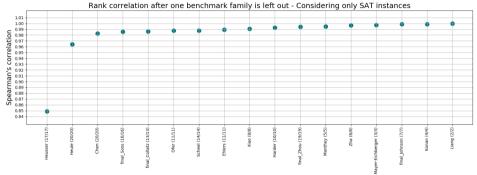
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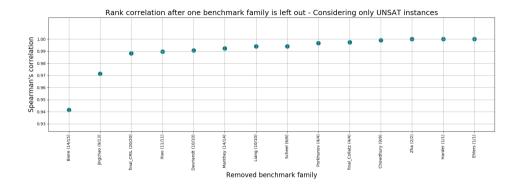


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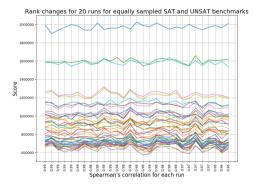


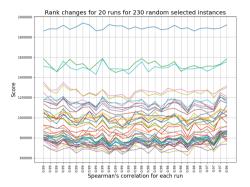
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#### **Ranking Robustness and Satisfiability**





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Is the selection so good or the solvers so robust?

Thank you for your attention!