



# AIRWeb'07

Third International Workshop on  
Adversarial Information Retrieval on the Web

## Web Spam Challenge Track I

<http://webspam.lip6.fr/>

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# There is more than one winner

- Fraction of hosts for which humans do not give a clear label (normal or spam) has significant effects
- There are several teams tied in the first place

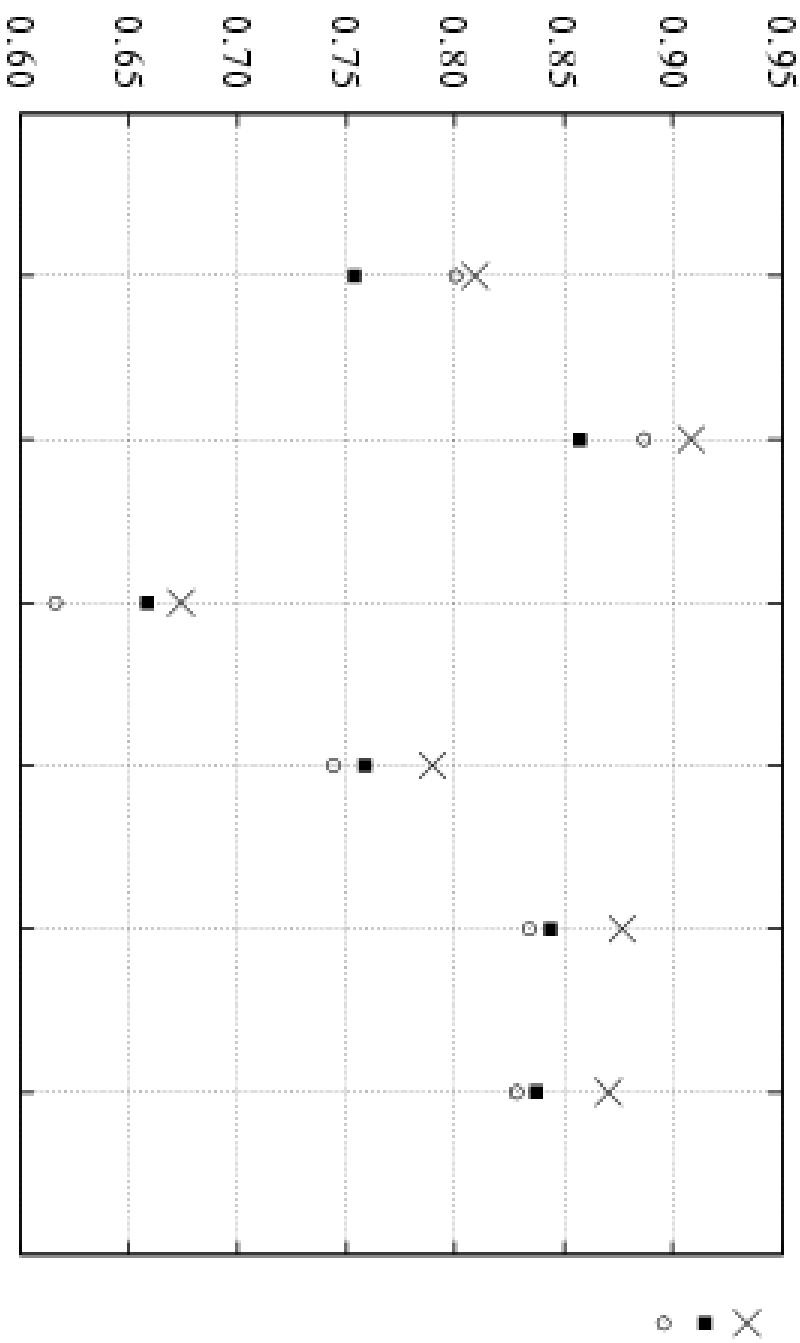
# Evaluation by F-Measure

Handling of undecided hosts

Discard	Normal	Spam
Benczúr et al.	0.91	0.86
Filoche et al.	0.88	0.84
Geng et al.	0.87	0.84
Abou et al.	0.81	0.73
Fetterly et al.	0.79	0.76
Cormack	0.67	0.66
		0.62

# F-Measure

F1 Measure of Spam Classification in Test Set

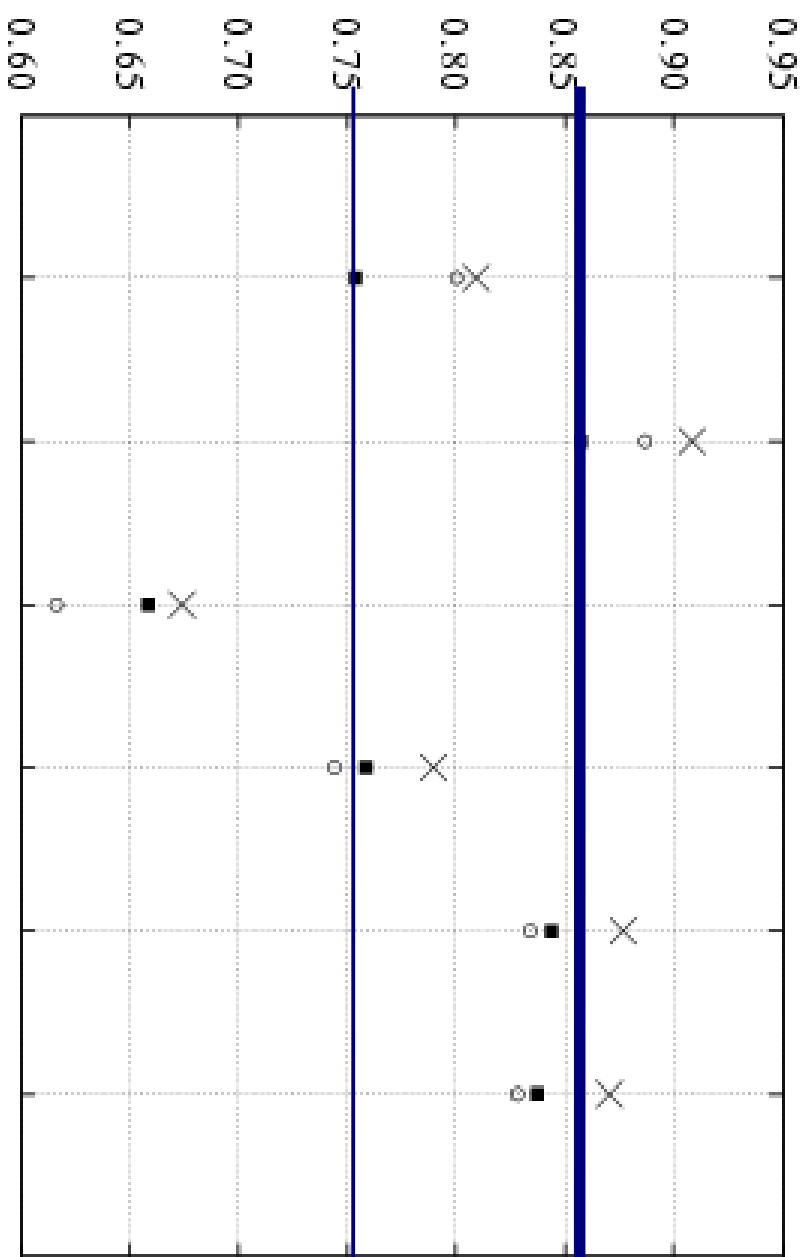


Abou et al. Benczúr et al. Cormack et al. Fetterly et al. Filoche et al. Geng et al. 1 Geng et al. 2

# F-Measure

F1 Measure of Spam Classification in Test Set

1<sup>st</sup> place by F1



Abou et al. 1   Benczúr et al.   Cormack et al.   Fetterly et al.   Filoche et al. 1   Geng et al. 2

# Ordering by F-Measure

	F-Measure	
Benczúr et al.	0.91	1 <sup>st</sup>
Filoche et al.	0.88	1 <sup>st</sup>
Geng et al.	0.87	1 <sup>st</sup>
Abou et al.	0.81	2 <sup>nd</sup>
Fetterly et al.	0.79	2 <sup>nd</sup>
Cormack	0.67	3 <sup>rd</sup>

## Interpretation:

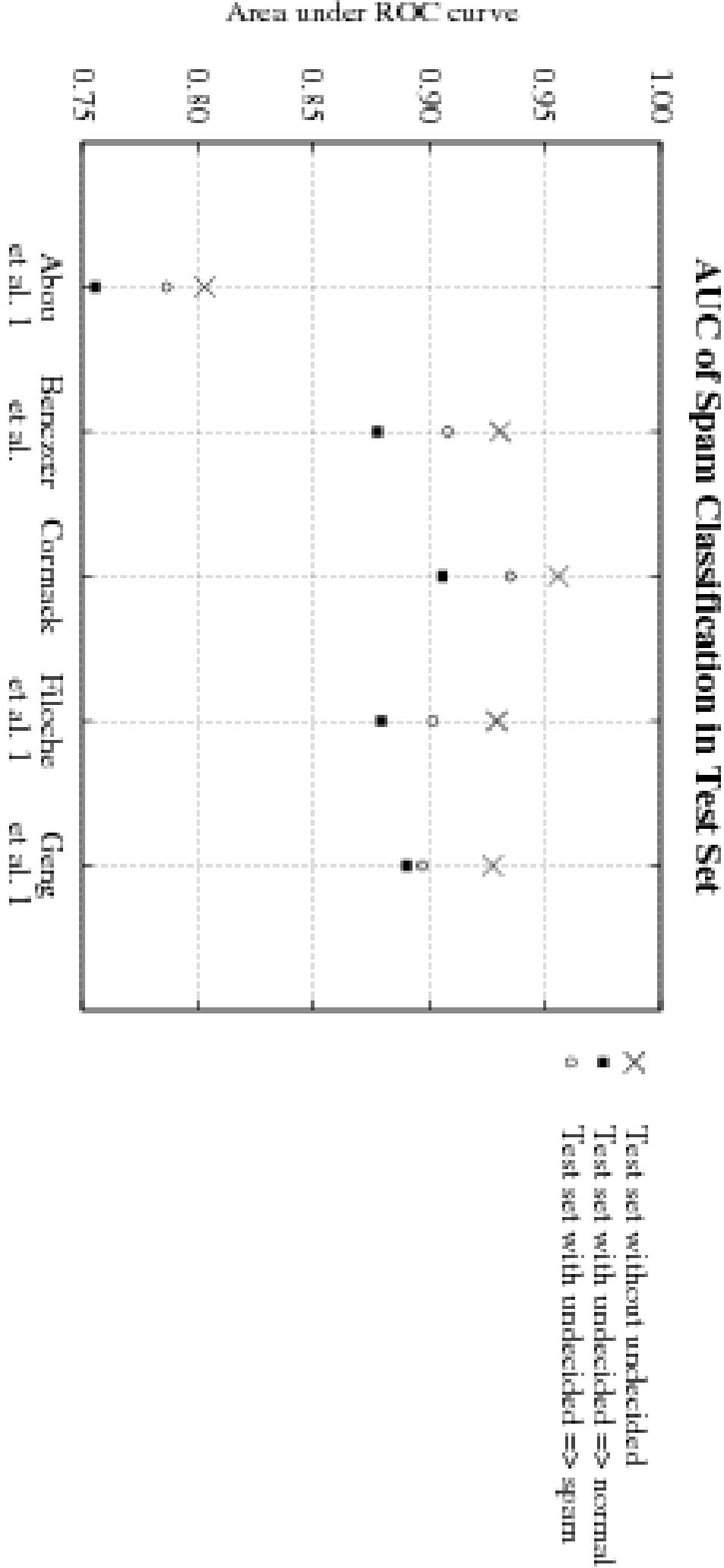
- F1=0.91 here is about 89.6% of spam hosts detected, with 7.8% of false positives
- F1=0.87 here is about 91.4% of spam hosts detected with 11.8% false positives

# Evaluation by AUC

Handling of undecided hosts

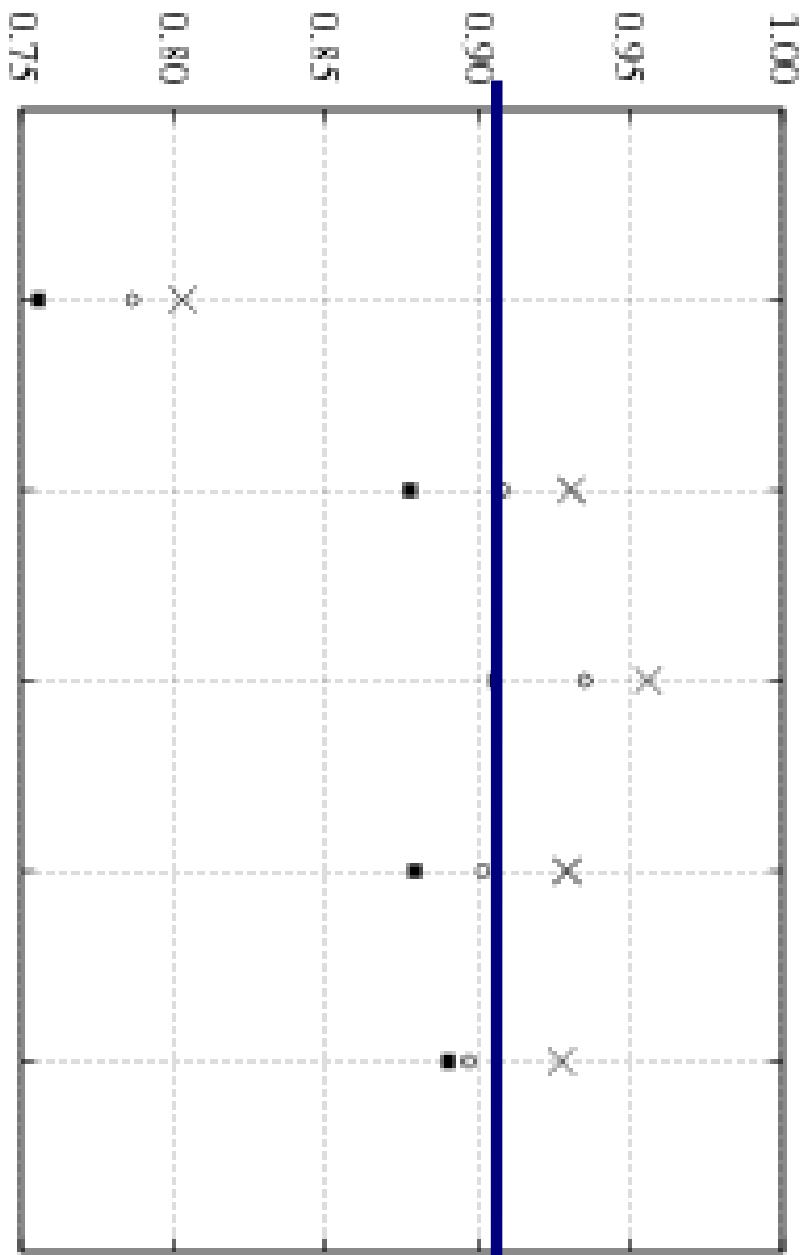
	Discard	Normal	Spam
Cormack	0.96	0.91	0.94
Benczúr et al.	0.93	0.88	0.91
Filoche et al. 1	0.93	0.88	0.90
Geng et al. 1	0.93	0.89	0.90
Abou et al. 1	0.80	0.76	0.79

# Area under ROC curve



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AUC of Spam Classification in Test Set



1<sup>st</sup> place by AUC

Abou et al.  
Benzert et al.  
Cormack et al.  
Filoche et al.  
Geng et al.

# Ordering by AUC

	AUC	
Cormack	0.956	1 <sup>st</sup>
Benczúr et al.	0.931	1 <sup>st</sup>
Filoche et al.	0.929	1 <sup>st</sup>
Geng et al.	0.927	1 <sup>st</sup>
Abou et al.	0.803	2 <sup>nd</sup>

# Summary

	F1	AUC
Abou et al.	0.81	0.80
Benczúr et al.	<b>0.91</b>	<b>0.93</b>
Cormack	0.67	<b>0.96</b>
Fetterly et al.	0.79	
Filoche et al.	<b>0.88</b>	<b>0.93</b>
Geng et al.	<b>0.87</b>	<b>0.93</b>

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## Web Spam Challenge Track II

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- Also supported by the EU Pascal Network of Excellence Challenge Program
- Jointly organized with the ECML/PKDD Workshop on Graph Labeling 2007
- A single set of features, with all the labeling done before the competition
- Feedback from Track I is welcome
- See <http://graphlab.lip6.fr/>