

L23: PageRank

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Final Report

At most 4 pages/student. Don't cram in too much!

- ▶ Succinct title (and names) *↔ Same for Posters*
- ▶ Problem definition and motivation.
- ▶ Explain your Data.
- ▶ **key idea**
- ▶ What did you do (which techniques, an implementation, a comparison, an extension)
- ▶ What did you learn? Artifacts (charts, plots, examples, math) and Intuition (in words, did it work?)

Crawlers : program; that walks
around web: (1) read page
update feature vector

(2) follow random
hyperlinks
inverted index ranking

use hyperlink info

< a href "www.pic.com" > pic < /a >

Spammers

build
page
flood pages : link to your
w/ hyperlink tag.

• Indexes : Alternative to Search Engine

Yahoo! and LookSmart

Built an organized, curated
collection of websites

Page Rank | $S(p_j, \text{term}) = f(\text{text}(p_j), \text{links to } p_j, \underline{g^*(j)})$

delegated
balance

- Pages are important if linked to by other important web pages.

random MCMC

- page is important if a "random surfer" were to find it.

Web is a big graph $G = (V, E)$

$V = \{\text{set of all pages}\}$

$E = \{E_{ij} = \text{link } p_i \rightarrow p_j\}$

Define $M \rightarrow g^* \leftarrow$ converged to vector distribution
 $g^*(j)$ says how important page j is.

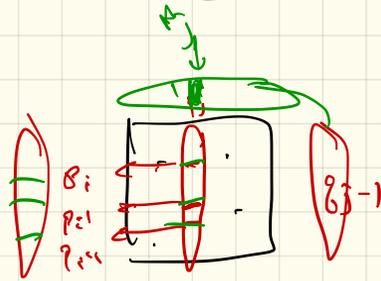
Compute g^* of Webgraph

- Keep track of crawlers: how frequent return.
- Buy big computer: Compute $\text{eig}(P)$
 $\sqsubseteq \text{problem}(G)$

- Precompute $P^* = P \cdot P \cdot P \dots \cdot P$
 \uparrow too big

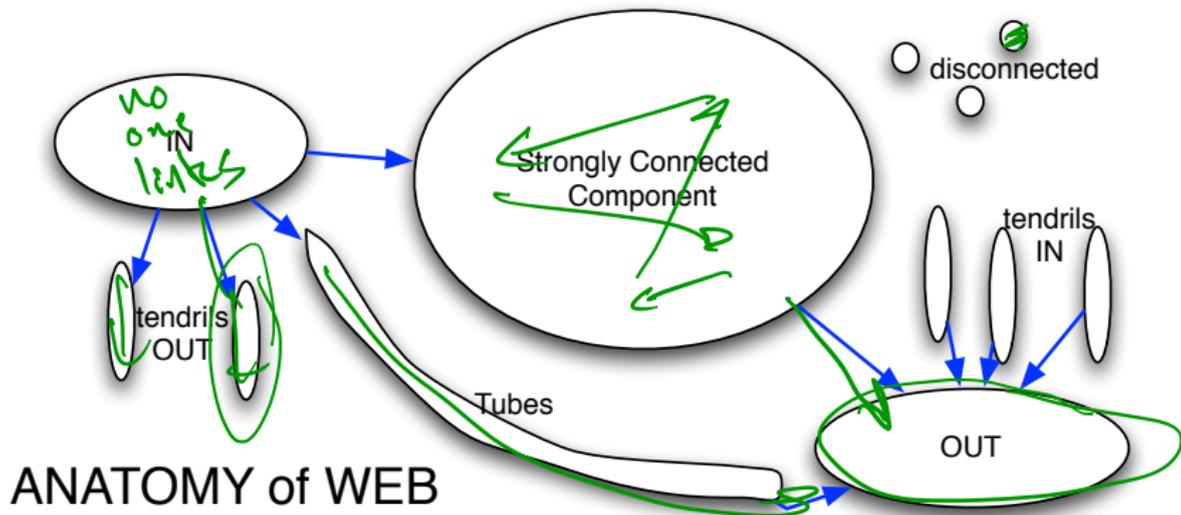
- $g^* = g_0 \leftarrow \text{last visit}$
for $j=1$ to 50
 $g_j = P g_{j-1}$

power method

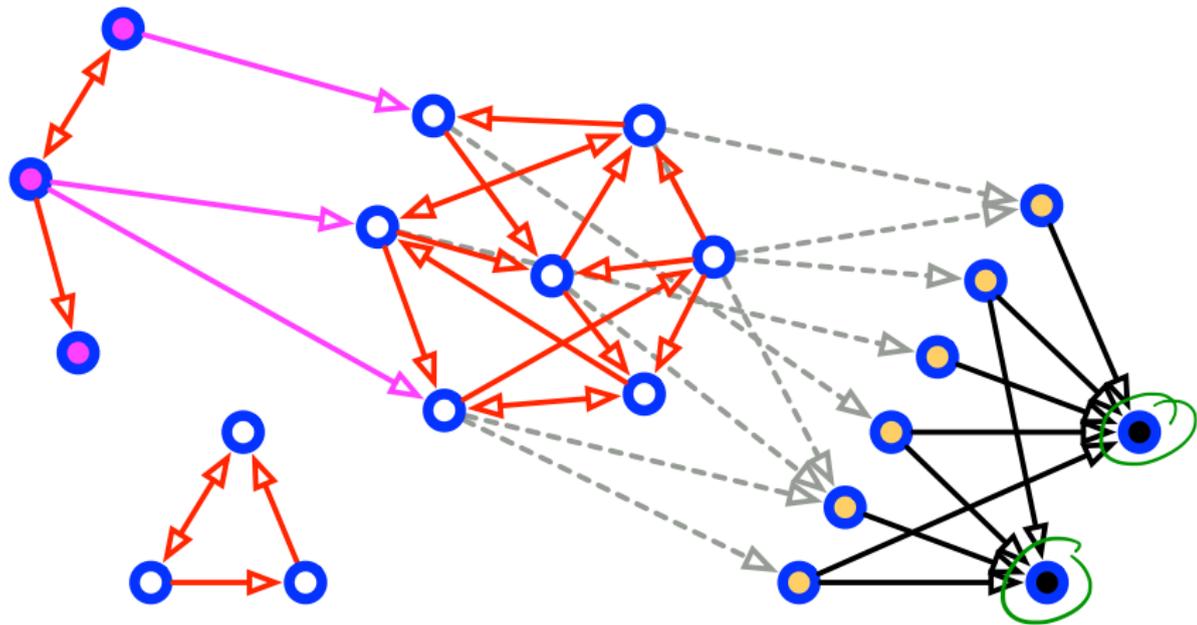


Anatomy of Web

is this G ergodic



Anatomy of Web



Can we make G ergodic?

- Teleportation / taxation

→ about once every τ steps

→ jump to random node.

P probabilities (G)

$$\beta = 0.15$$

$$R = (1-\beta)P + \beta Q$$

↳ dense

$$Q = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{n} & & & \\ & \frac{1}{n} & & \\ & & \frac{1}{n} & \\ & & & \frac{1}{n} \end{bmatrix}_n$$

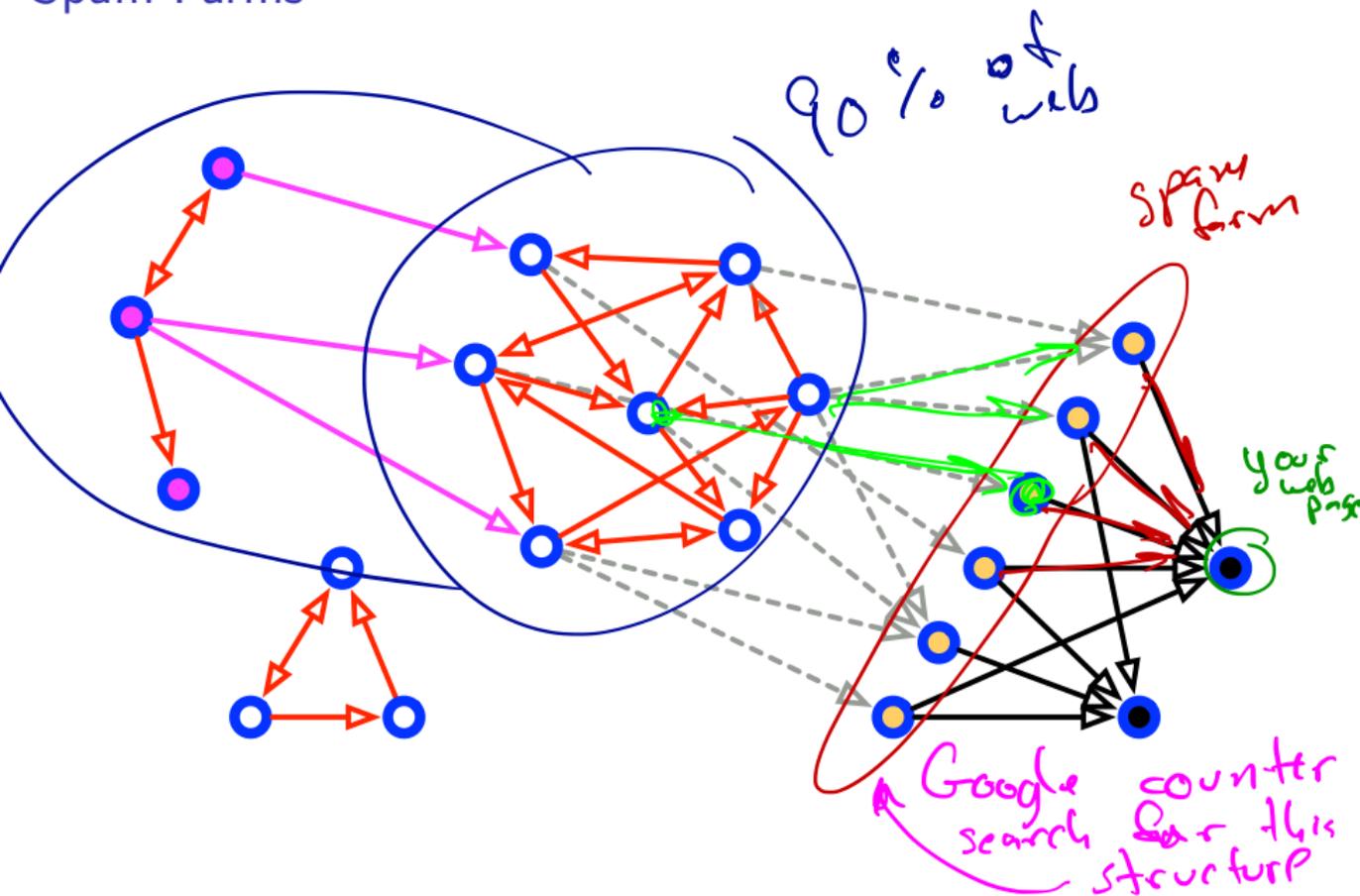
$\frac{1}{n}$ is circled in red, and the entire matrix is enclosed in a red oval.

$$R_{gi} = ((1-\beta)P + \beta Q)_{gi}$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \xrightarrow{(1-\beta)P} \underline{(1-\beta)P}_{gi} \\ & \xrightarrow{\beta Q} \underline{\beta \mathbb{1}/n} \end{aligned}$$

$n \times 1$ vector

Spam Farms



Trust Rank (2015?)

Only teleport to trusted pages.

$r \leftarrow \text{gx page rank}$

$t \leftarrow \text{gx trusted teleport}$

$$\frac{r(j) - t(j)}{r(j)} \quad \text{if large} \rightarrow \text{spam}$$

\hookrightarrow truthfulness of webpage

Word Count

Consider as input all of English Wikipedia stored in DFS. Goal is to count how many times each word is used.

Inverted Index

Consider as input all of English Wikipedia stored in DFS. Goal is to build an index, so each word has a list of pages it is in.

Phrases

Consider as input all of English Wikipedia stored in DFS. Goal is to build an index, on 3-grams (sequence of 3 words) that appears on exactly one page, with link to page.

Label Propagation (Graph)

Consider a large graph $G = (V, E)$ (e.g., a social network), with a subset of nodes $V' \subset V$ with labels (e.g., $\{\text{pos}, \text{neg}\}$). Each node stores its label (if any) and edges.

Assign a vertex a label if (a) unlabeled, (b) has ≥ 5 labeled neighbors, (c) based on majority vote.

Label Propagation (Embedding)

Consider a data set $X \subset \mathbb{R}^d$, with a subset of points $X' \subset X$ with labels (e.g., {pos, neg}). Implicitly defines graph with $V = X$ and E using $k = 20$ nearest neighbors.

Assign a vertex a label if (a) unlabeled, (b) has ≥ 5 labeled neighbors, (c) based on majority vote.

Example PageRank

$$M = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1/2 & 0 & 0 \\ 1/3 & 0 & 1 & 1/2 \\ 1/3 & 0 & 0 & 1/2 \\ 1/3 & 1/2 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

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Stripes:

$$M_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1/3 \\ 1/3 \\ 1/3 \end{bmatrix} \quad M_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1/2 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1/2 \end{bmatrix} \quad M_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad M_4 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1/2 \\ 1/2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

These are stored as $(1 : (1/3, 2), (1/3, 3), (1/3, 4))$,
 $(2 : (1/2, 1)(1/2, 4))$, $(3 : (1, 3))$, and $(4 : (1/3, 1), (1/2, 2))$.

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Blocks:

$$M_{1,1} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1/2 \\ 1/3 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad M_{1,2} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1/2 \end{bmatrix} \quad M_{2,1} = \begin{bmatrix} 1/3 & 0 \\ 1/3 & 1/2 \end{bmatrix} \quad M_{2,2} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1/2 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

These are stored as $(1 : (1/2, 2))$, $(2 : (1/3, 1))$, as $(2 : (1, 3), (1/2, 4))$, as $(3 : (1/3, 1))$, $(4 : (1/3, 1), (1/2, 2))$, and as $(3 : (1/2, 4))$.