

LECTURE #4

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Google Signaling Game.

1) Uninformative Sender:

$$D = \{s_0\}; M = A = V$$

2) Markovian Recommender:

$$G = (V, E) \quad \leftarrow \boxed{\text{Directed graph.}}$$

If action at time $t = v_i$

then recommend $\{v_j \mid (v_i, v_j) \in E\} = V_i$

$\begin{cases} \text{Irreflexive} \\ \text{Asymmetric} \\ \text{Non-transitive} \end{cases}$

If $V_i \neq \emptyset$ choose message = action at time $t+1$
an element of V_i selected at random.

If $V_i = \emptyset$ choose an element of V at random.

$$\Pr[\text{action}_{t+1} = v_j \mid \text{action}_t = v_i, \text{action}_{t-1} = v'_{t-1}, \dots]$$

$$= \Pr[\text{action}_{t+1} = v_j \mid \text{action}_t = v_i] = \frac{a_{ij}}{\deg(v_i)}$$

$$= p_{ij} \quad \left\{ P = D^{-1}A \right.$$

3) Oblivious Verifier:

With probability $\alpha \geq 0$, ignore the recommendation
That is treat $V_i = \emptyset$.

4) $U_S = U_R = \text{const.}$

Random Surfer with Teleportation:

G = Recommendation Graph = Hyper-link graph of the web.

Imagine a web surfer bouncing along randomly following the graph $G = (V, E)$

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- o When the surfer arrives at a node he chooses at random hyper-links (directed edges) to a new node.
- o Asymptotically, the proportion of time the random surfer spends on a given node/page is a measure of RELEVANCE (RELATIVE IMPORTANCE) of that node.

- o Stochastic Teleportation:

Otherwise,

{ SINKS (DANGLING NODES)
or PERIODICITY IN THE GRAPH
may get the surfer trapped in a limit state
or limit cycle.

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## Chapter 5 (Hopcroft & Kannan)

### Random Walks and Markov Chains:

WALK: A sequence of adjacent vertices

$$v_0, v_1, \dots, v_n \text{ s.t } (v_i, v_{i+1}) \in E, 0 \leq i < n$$

A walk can also be described by a sequence of incident edges.

PATH: A walk in which no vertex occurs more than once is called a (simple) path.

CYCLE: A closed path (i.e.  $v_0 = v_n$ ) in which  $n \geq 3$ .

TRAIL: A walk in which no edge occurs more than once is called a (simple) trail.

PATH  $\subseteq$  TRAIL  $\subseteq$  WALK.

(33a) A subgraph of a graph  $G$  is a graph whose vertices and edges are contained in  $G$ .  
 $G_1 \subseteq G$  iff  $V_1 \subseteq V$   
 $E_1 \subseteq E$ .

### CONNECTED COMPONENT:

A connected component of a graph is defined as a maximal subgraph in which path exists from every node to every other.

### STRONGLY CONNECTED COMPONENT

A strongly connected component of a graph is defined as a maximal subgraph in which cycle exist connecting every node to every other node.

Assumptions.

- 1) The graph is directed and strongly connected  
(A vertex in a strongly connected component with no in-edge from the remainder of the graph can not be reached unless the component contains the start vertex.)
- 2) The graph is aperiodic (GCD, greatest common divisor, of all cycle lengths is one.)  
E.g., the graph is not bipartite.

At time  $t=0$ ,  $p^{(0)}$  = row vector representing the probability distribution for the random surfer occupying vertices  $V$  at time 0.

$$p^{(0)} = (p_{v_1}, p_{v_2}, \dots, p_{v_n}) \quad \begin{aligned} p_{v_i} &\geq 0 \\ \sum p_{v_i} &= 1. \end{aligned}$$

If the start vertex is  $v_i$

$$p^{(0)} = (0, 0, \dots, 0, \underset{i}{1}, 0, \dots, 0)$$

$p^{(t)}$  = Row vector representing the probability mass at time t.

$$\begin{aligned} p_{v_i}^{(t+1)} &= p_{v_1}^{(t)} p_{1i} + p_{v_2}^{(t)} p_{2i} + \dots + p_{v_n}^{(t)} p_{ni} \\ &= \langle p^{(t)}, P_{\cdot i} \rangle \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \langle a, b \rangle = \text{Dot product} \\ \text{ith column of } P = D^{-1}A. \end{array} \right. \end{aligned}$$

probability of being at vertex  $v_i$  at time  $t+1$

= sum over each adjacent vertex  $v_k$  of being at  $v_k$  at time t and taking the transition from  $v_k$  to  $v_i$ .

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$$p^{(t+1)} = p^{(t)}P$$

Define: Long-term probability distribution  $a^{(t)}$  by

$$a^{(t)} = \frac{1}{t} (p^{(0)} + p^{(1)} + \dots + p^{(t-1)})$$

Assume that  $P$  is Stochastic and Primitive  $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \sum_j p_{ij} = \sum_j P_{ij|i} \\ = 1 \quad (\text{i.e. } \forall i \neq \phi) \\ \text{Aperiodic} \\ \text{Irreducible} \\ (\text{i.e. Strongly} \\ \text{Connected}) \end{array} \right.$

Then the long term probability distribution converges to a limit probability vector, denoted  $\pi$ .

"Fundamental Theorem of Markov Chains"  
For a connected Markov Chain.

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} a^{(t)} = \pi$$

$$\pi = \pi' P$$

$$\pi(I - P) = 0$$

$$\pi A = \pi D^{-1}(P - A) = \pi D^{-1}B^T B = 0$$

$$\langle \pi D^{-1}B^T B, \pi D^{-1} \rangle = 0$$

$$(\pi D^{-1}B^T)^2 = \pi D^{-1}B^T(\pi D^{-1}B^T)^T \pi D^{-1}$$

$$\pi D^{-1} = (\pi_1, \dots, \pi_n) \begin{pmatrix} 1/d_1 & & & \\ & 1/d_2 & & \\ & & \ddots & \\ & 0 & \cdots & 1/d_n \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \pi_1/d_1 & 0 & & \\ \vdots & \ddots & 0 & \\ 0 & \cdots & 0 & \pi_n/d_n \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow \sum_{i=1}^n \left( \frac{\pi_i}{d_i} - \frac{\pi_i}{d_n} \right)^2 = 0$$

Fundamental Theorem of Markov Chain  
(Thm 5.2).

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If the Markov Chain is connected, there is a unique probability vector  $\pi$  satisfying

$$\pi = \pi P$$

Moreover, for any starting distribution  $a^{(0)}$   $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} a^{(t)}$  exists and equals  $\pi$ .

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$$\begin{aligned} b^{(t)} &= a^{(t)} - a^{(t)} P \\ &= \frac{1}{t} [p^{(0)} + p^{(1)} + \dots + p^{(t-1)}] - \frac{1}{t} [p^{(0)} P + p^{(1)} P + \dots + p^{(t-1)} P] \\ &= \frac{1}{t} [p^{(0)} - p^{(t)}] \\ \Rightarrow |b^{(t)}| &= \frac{1}{t} |p^{(0)} - p^{(t)}| \leq \frac{2}{t}. \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} b^{(t)} \rightarrow \vec{0}.$$

~~$a^{(t)} \left[ (I-P) \right]$~~  Let  $\left[ (I-P), \mathbf{1} \right] = A$

Let  $B$  = Square submatrix of  $A$   
obtained by dropping the  $t^{\text{th}}$  col.

~~$\pi A = (\vec{0}, 1)$~~

Claim. If the underlying  $n+1$  graph is strongly-connected then the  $n \times (n+1)$  matrix  $A = \left[ (I-P), \mathbf{1} \right]$  has rank  $n$ .

$\Rightarrow B$  = Full-rank

~~$\pi B = (\vec{0}, 1)$~~

$$\pi = (\vec{0}, 1) B^{-1}. \quad \square.$$

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Proof of Claim 1:  $A = [(I-P), \mathbf{1}]$

$$A \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{1} \\ \mathbf{0} \end{pmatrix} = \mathbf{0}$$

Suppose  $\text{rank } A < n$ . Then there is nonzero vector  $w$ ,  $w \perp \mathbf{1}$  and a scalar  $\alpha > 0$

$$(I-P)w + \alpha \mathbf{1} = \mathbf{0}$$

$$w = Pw - \alpha \mathbf{1}$$

$$w_i = \sum_j P_{ij} w_j - \alpha$$

convex combination  
of  $w_j$ 's

Let  $S \subset [1 \dots n]$ , such that  $w_i$  has minimal value.

Since  $\sum w_j = 0$ ,  $\bar{S} \neq \emptyset$ .

Since  $G$  = strongly connected

$\exists k \in S, l \in \bar{S} \quad p_{kl} > 0$ .

This contradicts  $w_k < w_l \dots \& \alpha > 0$ .

Similar argument holds for  $\alpha < 0$ .

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The Web as a Markov Chain (§ 5.5)

Trying to establish the importance of pages on the Web.

A common approach:

- 1) Take a random walk on the web viewed as a directed graph with an edge corresponding to each hypertext link.
- 2) Rank pages according to their stationary probability.

Modification to the standard random walk.

- { 1) Teleportation, with a restart probability α ($= 0.15$)
 - [2) Self loop at each node. Lazy-walk: Increases the page-rank of the page visited.
- Aperiodic & Strongly-connected.

$$\mathcal{P} = \mathcal{D}^{-1} \mathbf{A}$$

\mathbf{A} : Adjacency Matrix

If \mathcal{P} has dangling nodes then fix that by modifying

$$\mathcal{P}' = \mathcal{P} + \alpha \left(\frac{\mathbf{1}^T}{n} \right)$$

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Dangling Node Vector Rank-1 matrix.

$a_i = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } i \text{ is a} \\ & \text{dangling node} \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$

~~Not~~ Google Matrix

$$G = \alpha \frac{\mathbf{1} \mathbf{1}^T}{n} + (1-\alpha) \frac{I + P'}{2} \quad W = \frac{I + P'}{2}$$

$$\begin{aligned} p^{(t+1)} &= p^{(t)} G \\ &= \alpha \frac{\mathbf{1}^T}{n} + (1-\alpha) p^{(t)} W \end{aligned}$$

Limit Probability Distribution

$$\pi = \alpha \frac{\mathbf{1}^T}{n} + (1-\alpha) \pi W = \alpha \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (1-\alpha)^k \frac{\mathbf{1}^T}{n} W^k$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \pi(I - (1-\alpha)W) &= \alpha \frac{\mathbf{1}^T}{n} (I - (1-\alpha)W) \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (1-\alpha)^k W^k \\
 &= \alpha \frac{\mathbf{1}^T}{n} [I - (1-\alpha)W + (1-\alpha)W - (1-\alpha)^2 W^2 + (1-\alpha)^2 W^2 \dots] \\
 &= \alpha \frac{\mathbf{1}^T}{n}
 \end{aligned}$$

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$$\pi \left[I - (1-\alpha) \frac{I+P'}{2} \right] = \alpha \frac{\mathbf{1}^T}{n}$$

$$\pi \left[2I - I - P' + \alpha (I+P') \right] = 2\alpha \frac{\mathbf{1}^T}{n}$$

$$\pi \left[2\alpha I + (1-\alpha)(I-P') \right] = 2\alpha \frac{\mathbf{1}^T}{n}$$

$$\pi(\beta I + \Delta) = \beta \frac{\mathbf{1}^T}{n} \quad \beta = \frac{2\alpha}{1-\alpha}$$

$$\pi(\beta I + \mathcal{L}) = \beta \frac{\mathbf{1}^T}{n} \quad \mathcal{L} = D^{1/2} \Delta D^{-1/2} = \text{Laplacian.}$$

$\pi = \beta \frac{\mathbf{1}^T}{n} G_\beta$ Discrete Green's Function
Which can be computed iteratively

$$(1+\beta) G_\beta = I + G_\beta P'$$

Note the Google Matrix has the following form

$$G = (1-\alpha) \underbrace{\frac{I+P}{2}}_{\text{Sparse}} + (1-\alpha) \underbrace{\frac{\alpha \mathbf{1}^T}{n}}_{\text{Dense but Rank-1 Teleportation Matrix.}} + \alpha \frac{\mathbf{1}^T}{n}$$

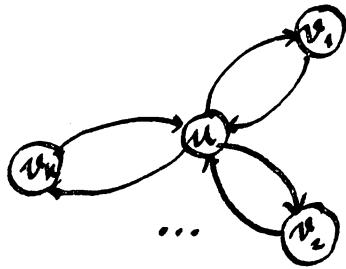
Sparse

Dense but
Rank-1 Teleportation
Matrix.

The page rank can be computed efficiently and iteratively using MAP-REDUCE.

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Any time a random walk reaches u or v_1, \dots, v_k it will be captured by this (strongly) connected component.
One can increase u 's page-rank arbitrarily...

Solution: a) Increase d ... (teleportation parameter)
b) personalized page-rank.

Instead of restart-probability distribution being
 $\frac{1}{n}^T$
use a seed vector s .
e.g. $(1, 0, \dots, 0)$
↓ Restart from u_0 .

$$G = \alpha \mathbb{1} s + (1-\alpha) \left(\frac{I+P'}{2} \right)$$

$$= \alpha \mathbb{1} s + (1-\alpha) W$$

$$\begin{aligned} p^{(t+1)} &= p^{(t)} G \\ &= \alpha s + (1-\alpha) p^{(t)} W \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow \pi(\beta I + L) = \beta s$$

$$\pi = \beta s G_\beta$$

Eigenvalues and Eigenvectors (§ 11.6 Hopcroft and Kannan)

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$A = n \times n$ real matrix.

λ = Eigenvalue of A if there exists a nonzero vector x satisfying

$$Ax = \lambda x \Rightarrow (A - \lambda I)x = 0$$

x = Eigenvector of A associated with λ .

$\det(A - \lambda I) = 0 \Rightarrow Ax - \lambda x = 0$ has a non-trivial solution.

$$\begin{aligned} \det(A - \lambda I) &= (-1)^n (\lambda - \lambda_1)(\lambda - \lambda_2) \dots (\lambda - \lambda_n) \\ &= \underbrace{\lambda_1 \lambda_2 \dots \lambda_n}_{\det A} - \lambda \left(\sum_{\lambda_i} \lambda_1 \dots \lambda_{i-1} \lambda_{i+1} \dots \lambda_n \right) \dots \\ &\quad + (-1)^{n-1} \lambda^{n-1} (\lambda_1 + \lambda_2 + \dots + \lambda_n) \\ &\quad + (-1)^n \lambda^n \end{aligned}$$

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Matrices  $A$  and  $B$  are similar if there is an invertible matrix  $P$  such that

$$A = P^{-1}BP$$

Similar matrices represent same linear transformation  
(expressed in different basis.)

$$\begin{aligned} \det(A - \lambda I) = 0 &\Leftrightarrow Ax = \lambda x \Leftrightarrow (P^{-1}BP)x = \lambda x \\ &\Leftrightarrow B(Px) = \lambda P(x) \Leftrightarrow \lambda(Px) \\ &\Leftrightarrow (B - \lambda I)Px = 0 \\ &\Leftrightarrow \det(B - \lambda I) = 0 \end{aligned}$$

Two similar matrices have the same eigenvalues.

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A is diagonalizable iff A is similar to a diagonal matrix
iff A has n linearly independent eigenvectors.

$$A = \Phi \Lambda \Phi^{-1} \quad \Phi^{-1} A \Phi = \Lambda$$

A is orthogonally diagonalizable if there exists an orthogonal matrix Φ (i.e. Φ is invertible and $\Phi^{-1} = \Phi^T$) such that

$$A = \Phi^{-1} A \Phi = \Phi^T A \Phi$$

$$\Lambda = \Phi^{-1} A \Phi = \Phi^T A \Phi$$

$$A = \Phi \Lambda \Phi^T$$

Columns of Φ are the eigenvectors of A
Diagonal elements of Λ are the corresponding eigenvectors.

$$A \Phi_i = \Phi \Lambda \Phi^T \Phi_i$$

ith column of Φ

$$= \Phi \Lambda \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \text{ *ith element*} = \lambda_i \Phi_i$$

Thm. A is diagonalizable iff it has n linearly independent eigenvectors.

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Theorem (Real Spectral Theorem)

Let A be a real symmetric matrix. Then

1. All eigenvalues are real

$$\lambda_1 \leq \lambda_2 \leq \dots \leq \lambda_n$$

2. If λ is an eigenvalue with multiplicity k , then λ has k linearly independent eigenvectors.
3. A is orthogonally diagonalizable.

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$$\Delta = D^{-1}(D - A) = I - P$$

$$(I - P)\mathbf{1} = \mathbf{0}$$

$$0 = \lambda_0 \leq \lambda_1 \leq \dots \leq \lambda_{n-1}$$

$$L = D^{1/2} \Delta D^{-1/2} = \text{Laplacian} \quad (L \text{ is similar to } \Delta.)$$

$L = D\phi\phi^T$ has same eigenvalues as Δ

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= \lambda_0 \leq \lambda_1 \leq \dots \leq \lambda_{n-1} \\ &= \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} \lambda_i \phi_i^T \phi_i = \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \lambda_i \phi_i^T \phi_i \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \beta I + L &= \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} (\lambda_i + \beta) \phi_i^T \phi_i \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \left(\lambda_i + \frac{2\alpha}{1-\alpha} \right) \phi_i^T \phi_i \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \frac{\lambda_i + (2-\lambda_i)\alpha}{1-\alpha} \phi_i^T \phi_i \end{aligned}$$

G_β = Discrete Green's Function

$$G_\beta = \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \frac{1-\alpha}{\lambda_i + (2-\lambda_i)\alpha} \phi_i^T \phi_i$$

$$\pi(\alpha, s) = \beta s G_\beta = \frac{2\alpha}{1-\alpha} s \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \frac{1-\alpha}{\lambda_i + (2-\lambda_i)\alpha} \phi_i^T \phi_i$$

$$= s \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \frac{2\alpha}{\lambda_i + (2-\lambda_i)\alpha} \phi_i^T \phi_i$$

□