

Random Surfing on Multipartite Graphs

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Introduction & Motivation

PageRank Model

$\mathbf{G} = \alpha \mathbf{H} + (1 - \alpha) \mathbf{E}$

Primitivity Adjustment of the Row-Normalized Adjacency Matrix H:

- Damping Factor α
 - Has received much attention (Generalized Damping Functions (Functional Rankings) [1], Multidamping [5], ...)
- Teleportation matrix E
 - Little have been done towards its generalization [8].

Revisiting the Random Surfer Model II

Problems With Traditional Teleportation

- Treats nodes in a "leveling way"
 - Restrictive or even counter-intuitive (eg. structured graphs)
- Blind to the spectral characteristics of the underlying graph

Overview of Our Approach

- We focus on Multipartite Graphs
- We modify the traditional teleportation model
 - Different Teleportation behavior per partite set.



Block Teleportation Model: Definition, Algorithm and Theoretical Analysis

$\mathbf{S} = \eta \mathbf{H} + \mu \mathbf{M}$

 $\mathbf{H} \triangleq \operatorname{diag}(\mathbf{A}_{\mathcal{G}}\mathbf{1})^{-1}\mathbf{A}_{\mathcal{G}},$

Each partite set is a Teleportation Block!

$$[\mathbf{M}]_{ij} \triangleq \begin{cases} \frac{1}{|\mathcal{M}_i|}, & \text{if } v_j \in \mathcal{M}_i, \\ 0, & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases}$$

where \mathcal{M}_i the origin partite set of v_i .

$$\mathbf{M} =$$



Sparse and Low-Rank Factors

Random Surfing Interpretation

The Random Surfer:

- With probability η follows the edges of the graph
- With probability μ ≜ 1 − η he jumps to a node belonging to the same partite set he is currently in.

Decomposability and Time-Scale Dissociation

Theorem (Decomposability)

When the value of the teleportation parameter μ is small enough, the Markov chain corresponding to matrix S is NCD with respect to the partition of the nodes of the initial graph, into different connected components.

$$\mathbf{S} = \tilde{\mathbf{S}} + \varepsilon \mathbf{C}, \qquad \tilde{\mathbf{S}} \triangleq \operatorname{diag} \{ \mathbf{S}(\mathcal{G}_1), \dots, \mathbf{S}(\mathcal{G}_L) \}$$





- Short-term Dynamics.
- Short-term Equilibrium.
- Long-term Dynamics.
- Long-term Equilibrium.

Computational Implications... in brush strokes!

Study each Connected Component in Isolation, and then combine the results.

BT-Rank Algorithm and Computational Analysis

Block-Teleportation Rank

Input: $\mathbf{H}, \mathbf{M} \in \mathfrak{R}^{n \times n}$, ϵ , scalars $\eta, \mu > 0$ such that $\eta + \mu = 1$.

 $\eta, \mu > 0$ such that

Output: π^{\intercal}

- 1: Let the initial approximation be $\pi_{(0)}^{\mathsf{T}}$. Set k = 0.
- 2: Compute

$$\begin{aligned} \boldsymbol{\pi}_{(k+1)}^{\mathsf{T}} & \leftarrow & \boldsymbol{\pi}_{(k)}^{\mathsf{T}} \mathbf{H} \\ \boldsymbol{\phi}^{\mathsf{T}} & \leftarrow & \boldsymbol{\pi}_{(k)}^{\mathsf{T}} \mathbf{M} \\ \boldsymbol{\pi}_{(k+1)}^{\mathsf{T}} & \leftarrow & \eta \boldsymbol{\pi}_{(k+1)}^{\mathsf{T}} + \mu \boldsymbol{\phi}^{\mathsf{T}} \end{aligned}$$

- 3: Normalize $\boldsymbol{\pi}_{(k+1)}^{\mathsf{T}}$ and compute $r = \|\boldsymbol{\pi}_{(k+1)}^{\mathsf{T}} \boldsymbol{\pi}_{(k)}^{\mathsf{T}}\|_{1}$.
- 4: If $r < \epsilon$, quit with $\pi_{(k+1)}^{\mathsf{T}}$, otherwise $k \leftarrow k+1$ and go to step 2.

 $\mathsf{General\ Cost:}\ \underbrace{\Theta(\mathrm{nnz}(\mathbf{H}))}_{\mathrm{per\ iteration}} \frac{\log \epsilon}{\log |\lambda_2(\mathbf{S})|}$

If $\chi(\mathcal{G}) = 2$ we can dig a little deeper!

Theorem (Eigenvalue Property)

Assuming \mathcal{G} is a connected graph for which $\chi(\mathcal{G}) = 2$ holds, the spectrum of the stochastic matrix \mathbf{S} is such that $-\eta + \mu \in \lambda(\mathbf{S})$.

Theorem (Lumpability)

The BT-Rank Markov chain that corresponds to a 2-chromatic graph, is **lumpable** wrt $\mathcal{A} = \{\mathcal{A}_1, \mathcal{A}_2\}$.

Theorem (Perron Vector)

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When the BT-Rank Markov chain is lumpable wrt to partition A, for the left Perron eigenvector of matrix S it holds

$$\mathbf{r}_1^{\mathsf{T}} \mathbf{1}_{\mathcal{A}_1} = \mathbf{\pi}_2^{\mathsf{T}} \mathbf{1}_{\mathcal{A}_2}$$

Experimental Evaluation

Computational Experiments



Our Approach

• We model the recommender as a tripartite graph

- Personalization through matrix $\mathbf{M} \triangleq \operatorname{diag}\left(\mathbf{1}e_{i}^{\mathsf{T}},\mathbf{1}\omega_{i}^{\mathsf{T}},\mathbf{1}\varpi_{i}^{\mathsf{T}}\right)$
 - ω_i: the normalized vector of the users' ratings over the set of movies.
 - $\boldsymbol{\varpi}_i$: the normalized vector of his mean ratings per genre.

Qualitative Experiments: Ranking-Based Recommendation II

Methodology

- Randomly sample 1.4% of the ratings \Rightarrow probe set $\mathcal P$
- Use each item $v_j,$ rated with 5 stars by user u_i in \mathcal{P} \Rightarrow test set \mathcal{T}
- Randomly select another 1000 unrated items of the same user for each item in $\ensuremath{\mathcal{T}}$
- Form ranked lists by ordering all the 1001 items MovieLens1M



Metrics

- Recall@N
- Normalized Discounted Cumulative Gain (NDCG@N)
- Mean Reciprocal Rank



BT-Rank Katz FP MFA Lt C

Conclusions & Future Work

Synopsis

We proposed a simple alternative teleportation component for Random Surfing on Multipartite Graphs.

- Can be handled efficiently
- Entails nice theoretical properties
- Allows for richer modeling

Future Directions

- Propose a Systematic Framework for the definition of teleportation models that match better the underlying graphs
 - For the Web-Graph: NCDawareRank (WSDM'13)

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Questions?

Appendix: Eigenvalue Theorem

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Theorem (Eigenvalue Property)

Assuming \mathcal{G} is a connected graph for which $\chi(\mathcal{G}) = 2$ holds, the spectrum of the stochastic matrix \mathbf{S} is such that $-\eta + \mu \in \lambda(\mathbf{S})$.

Proof Sketch.



- We show that $(-1, \mathbf{v})$ is an eigenpair of matrix \mathbf{H} , and $(1, \mathbf{v})$ is an eigenpair of matrix \mathbf{M} .
- Then, using any nonsingular matrix, $\mathbf{Q}\triangleq\begin{pmatrix}1&\mathbf{v}&\mathbf{X}\end{pmatrix}$, allows us to perform a similarity transformation

$$\mathbf{Q}^{-1}\mathbf{S}\mathbf{Q} = \mathbf{Q}^{-1} (\eta \mathbf{H} + \mu \mathbf{M}) \mathbf{Q} = \cdots =$$

=
$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & \eta \mathbf{y}_1^{\mathsf{T}}\mathbf{H}\mathbf{X} + \mu \mathbf{y}_1^{\mathsf{T}}\mathbf{M}\mathbf{X} \\ 0 & -\eta + \mu & \eta \mathbf{y}_2^{\mathsf{T}}\mathbf{H}\mathbf{X} + \mu \mathbf{y}_2^{\mathsf{T}}\mathbf{M}\mathbf{X} \\ \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{0} & \eta \mathbf{Y}^{\mathsf{T}}\mathbf{H}\mathbf{X} + \mu \mathbf{Y}^{\mathsf{T}}\mathbf{M}\mathbf{X} \end{pmatrix}$$
(1)

that reveals the desired eigenvalue.

Appendix: Lumpability Theorem

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Theorem (Lumpability of the BT-Rank Chain)

The BT-Rank Markov chain that corresponds to a 2-chromatic graph, is lumpable.

Proof Sketch. $\mathbf{S} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\mu}{3} & \frac{\mu}{3} & \frac{\mu}{3} & & & & \eta & \\ \frac{\mu}{3} & \frac{\mu}{3} & \frac{\mu}{3} & & & & \eta & \\ \frac{\mu}{3} & \frac{\mu}{3} & \frac{\mu}{3} & & & & \eta & \\ \frac{\mu}{3} & \frac{\mu}{3} & \frac{\mu}{3} & & & & \eta & \\ \frac{\mu}{3} & \frac{\mu}{3} & \frac{\mu}{3} & & & & \eta & \\ \frac{\mu}{3} & \frac{\mu}{3} & \frac{\mu}{3} & & & & \eta & \\ \frac{\mu}{3} & \frac{\mu}{3} & \frac{\mu}{3} & & & & \eta & \\ \frac{\mu}{3} & \frac{\mu}{3} & \frac{\mu}{3} & & & & \eta & \\ \frac{\mu}{3} & \frac{\mu}{3} & \frac{\mu}{3} & & & & & \eta & \\ \frac{\mu}{3} & \frac{\mu}{3} & \frac{\mu}{3} & & & & & \eta & \\ \frac{\mu}{3} & \frac{\mu}{3} & \frac{\mu}{3} & & & & & & \eta & \\ \frac{\mu}{3} & \frac{\mu}{3} & \frac{\mu}{3} & \frac{\mu}{3} & & & & & & \\ \frac{\mu}{3} & \\ \frac{\mu}{3} & \frac{\mu}{3} & \frac{\mu}{3} & \frac{\mu}{3} & \frac{\mu}{3} & \frac{\mu}{3} & \\ \frac{\mu}{3} & \\ \frac{\mu}{3} & \\ \frac{\mu}{3} & \\ \frac{\mu}{3} & \\ \frac{\mu}{3} & \frac{\mu}{3$

We have

- $\Pr\{i \to A_2\} = \sum_{j \in A_2} S_{ij} = \eta$ for all $i \in A_1$.
- $\Pr\{i \to A_1\} = \sum_{j \in A_1} S_{ij} = \eta$ for all $i \in A_2$.

Appendix: Perron Vector Theorem

Theorem (Eigenvector Property)

When the BT-Rank Markov chain is lumpable with respect to partition $\mathcal{A} = \{\mathcal{A}_1, \mathcal{A}_2\}$, for the left Perron-Frobenius eigenvector of matrix \mathbf{S} it holds

$$\boldsymbol{\pi}_1^{\mathsf{T}} \mathbf{1}_{\mathcal{A}_1} = \boldsymbol{\pi}_2^{\mathsf{T}} \mathbf{1}_{\mathcal{A}_2}$$

Proof Sketch.

$$\begin{aligned} \pi^{\mathsf{T}} \mathbf{S} \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{1}_{\mathcal{A}_{1}} & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{1}_{\mathcal{A}_{2}} \end{pmatrix} &= \pi^{\mathsf{T}} \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{1}_{\mathcal{A}_{1}} & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{1}_{\mathcal{A}_{2}} \end{pmatrix} \\ \pi^{\mathsf{T}} \begin{pmatrix} \mu \mathbf{M}_{11} \mathbf{1}_{\mathcal{A}_{1}} & \eta \mathbf{H}_{12} \mathbf{1}_{\mathcal{A}_{2}} \\ \eta \mathbf{H}_{21} \mathbf{1}_{\mathcal{A}_{1}} & \mu \mathbf{M}_{22} \mathbf{1}_{\mathcal{A}_{2}} \end{pmatrix} &= (\pi_{1}^{\mathsf{T}} \mathbf{1}_{\mathcal{A}_{1}} & \pi_{2}^{\mathsf{T}} \mathbf{1}_{\mathcal{A}_{2}}) \\ (\pi_{1}^{\mathsf{T}} & \pi_{2}^{\mathsf{T}}) \begin{pmatrix} \mu \mathbf{1}_{\mathcal{A}_{1}} & \eta \mathbf{1}_{\mathcal{A}_{1}} \\ \eta \mathbf{1}_{\mathcal{A}_{2}} & \mu \mathbf{1}_{\mathcal{A}_{2}} \end{pmatrix} &= (\pi_{1}^{\mathsf{T}} \mathbf{1}_{\mathcal{A}_{1}} & \pi_{2}^{\mathsf{T}} \mathbf{1}_{\mathcal{A}_{2}}) \end{aligned}$$

and the result follows from the solution of the system.

Appendix: Near Complete Decomposability

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Herbert A. Simon

Sparsity \longleftrightarrow Hierarchy \longleftrightarrow Decomposability [10].

Nearly Completely Decomposable Systems

Interactions: Strong Within Blocks - Weak Between Blocks

- Successful Applications in Diverse Disciplines
 - Economics, Cognitive Theory, Management, Biology, Ecology, etc.
- Computer Science and Engineering:
 - Performance Analysis (Courtois [2])
 - Web Search (NG13 [8])
 - Recommendation and Data Mining (NG14 [7])

