

COT 6936: Topics in Algorithms

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Lecture slides are based on

- 1 Lecture slides by Ryan Tibshirani, CMU, See:
<http://www.stat.cmu.edu/~ryantibs/datamining/lectures/03-pr-marked.pdf>; <http://www.stat.cmu.edu/~ryantibs/datamining/lectures/03-pr.pdf>
- 2 Original paper by Brin and Page from: <http://ilpubs.stanford.edu:8090/422/1/1999-66.pdf>

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- **PageRank** is an answer to this problem

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- 1 Links to X from **important** webpages should be considered important
- 2 Links to X from **unimportant** webpages, i.e., pages with links to a lot of other pages should not have high importance

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$$\text{Rank}_i = \sum_{j \rightarrow i} \frac{p_j}{m_j} = \sum_{j=1}^n \frac{p_j}{m_j} L_{ij}$$

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Therefore, it matches our ideas from last slide.

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And, $\mathbf{p} = LM^{-1}\mathbf{p}$. What does this remind you of?

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then set $A = LM^{-1}$, and we get $\mathbf{p} = A\mathbf{p}$.

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Stationary Distribution: $\mathbf{p} = A\mathbf{p}$.

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- Original model of Page and Brin: surfer did a random walk ignoring contents.
- Corrected model: With probability $(1 - d)$, **jumps** to a random page.



$$\mathbf{p} = (1 - d)\mathbf{e} + d \cdot \mathbf{LM}^{-1}\mathbf{p}$$

- Even if web graph is disconnected, there is a probability that the random jump will take you to a different component.

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$$L = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

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Then: $p' = (1.49, 0.78, 1.58, 0.15)$

Second Example

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$$L = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

Second Example – Cont'd

With $d = 0.85$, and $A = \frac{1-d}{n}E + dLM^{-1}$,

$$A = \frac{0.15}{5} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} + 0.85 \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$
$$= \begin{pmatrix} 0.03 & 0.03 & 0.88 & 0.03 & 0.03 \\ 0.88 & 0.03 & 0.03 & 0.03 & 0.03 \\ 0.03 & 0.88 & 0.03 & 0.03 & 0.03 \\ 0.03 & 0.03 & 0.03 & 0.03 & 0.88 \\ 0.03 & 0.03 & 0.03 & 0.88 & 0.03 \end{pmatrix}$$

Then the stationary distribution is $(0.2, 0.2, 0.2, 0.2, 0.2)$.

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$$p^{(1)} = Ap^{(0)}$$

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Finally $p^{(t)} \rightarrow p$ as $t \rightarrow \infty$

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