

Application of graph matching in Computer Vision

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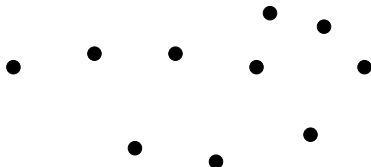
Agenda

- 1 Graph matching
- 2 2LevelGM
- 3 Evaluation

Attributed undirected graph I

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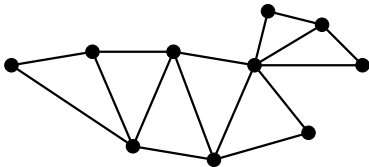
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Attributed undirected graph II

Attributed undirected graph $G = (V, E,$

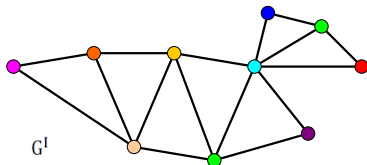
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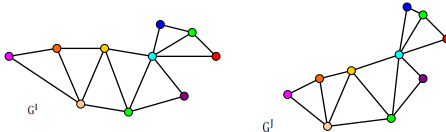
Attributed undirected graph $G = (V, E, D)$

- set of nodes $V = \{v_i\}_{i=1}^n$
- set of edges $E \subseteq \{\{u, v\} | u, v \in V\}$
- node attributes $D = \{d_i\}_{i=1}^n$

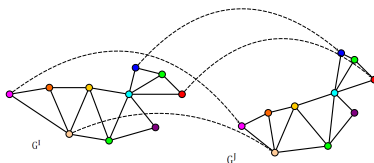


Graph matching

Let us consider two undirected attributed graphs $G^I = (V^I, E^I, D^I)$ and $G^J = (V^J, E^J, D^J)$:



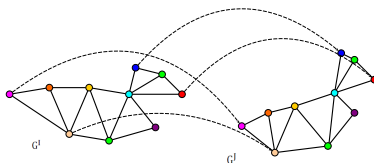
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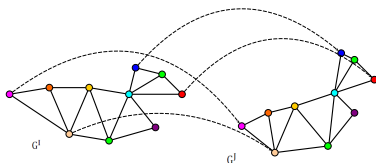


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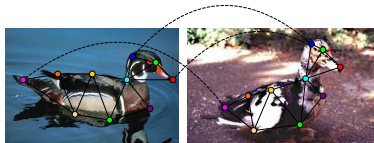
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Define a function $S(G^I, G^J, m)$ to measure the quality of matching m that fulfills some conditions

\Rightarrow **Graph matching problem** between G^I and G^J

$$m = \underset{\hat{m}}{\operatorname{argmax}} S(G^I, G^J, \hat{m})$$

Graph matching in computer vision

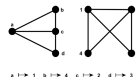


- image matching
- shape matching
- object detection
- object tracking
- ...

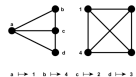
Exact graph matching I

Edge preserving mapping $m: \{v_i, v_{i'}\} \in E^I \Rightarrow \{m(v), m(v_{i'})\} \in E^J$

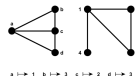
- mapping m is bijective \rightarrow graph isomorphism (GI)



- mapping m is injective \rightarrow graph monomorphism



- mapping m is total \rightarrow graph homomorphism

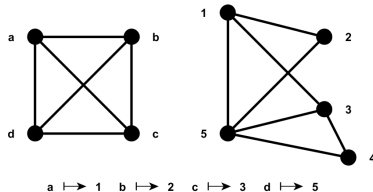


NP complete (except GI) [9]

Exact graph matching II

Exact graph matching:

- too strict
- time/memory consuming
- cannot handle object deformation



Inexact graph matching I

$$m = \operatorname{argmax}_{\hat{m}} S(G^I, G^J, \hat{m})$$

- second-order (edge) similarity $s_E(e_{ii'}, e_{jj'})$, $e_{ii'} \in E^I, e_{jj'} \in E^J$
- first-order (node) similarity $s_V(v_i, v_j)$, $v_i \in V^I, v_j \in V^J$

$$S(G^I, G^J, m) = \sum_{\substack{m(v_i)=v_j \\ m(v'_i)=v'_j}} s_E(e_{ii'}, e_{jj'}) + \sum_{m(v_i)=v_j} s_V(v_i, v_j)$$

- Assignment matrix $x \in \{0, 1\}^{n_1 \times n_2}$, $x_{ij} = 1 \iff m(v_i) = v_j$

Inexact graph matching II

The most common problem formulation:

Quadratic Assignment Problem (NP complete) [3]

$$x^* = \arg \max \sum_{\substack{x_{ij}=1 \\ x_{i'j'}=1}} s_E(e_{ii'}, e_{jj'}) + \sum_{x_{ij}=1} s_V(v_i, v_j)$$

$$s.t. \begin{cases} x \in \{0, 1\}^{n_1 n_2} \\ \sum_{i=1}^{n_1} x_{ij} \leq 1 \\ \sum_{j=1}^{n_2} x_{ij} \leq 1 \end{cases}$$

Using matrix notation : $\arg \max_x x^T S x$, S —similarity (or affinity) matrix

Inexact graph matching III

Solution techniques [8]

- discrete optimization
 - tree search [2, 21, 22, 25]
 - simulated annealing [11]
- continuous optimization
 - constraint relaxation [10, 14, 15, 24, 26]
 - spectral methods [13, 23]
 - probabilistic frameworks [1, 12, 16, 20]
 - clustering [4, 6, 19, 17]

Drawback of the existing algorithms

- most of them were developed for matching relative small graphs (~ 100 nodes)
- scale badly due to the polynomial increase of time and storage demand
- algorithms for the big graphs use another formulation of the graph matching optimization problem

$$P = \operatorname{argmin}_{\hat{P} \in \Pi_n} \|A^I - \hat{P}A^J\hat{P}^T\|^2 + \|D^I - \hat{P}D^J\|_2^2$$

Complexity reduction

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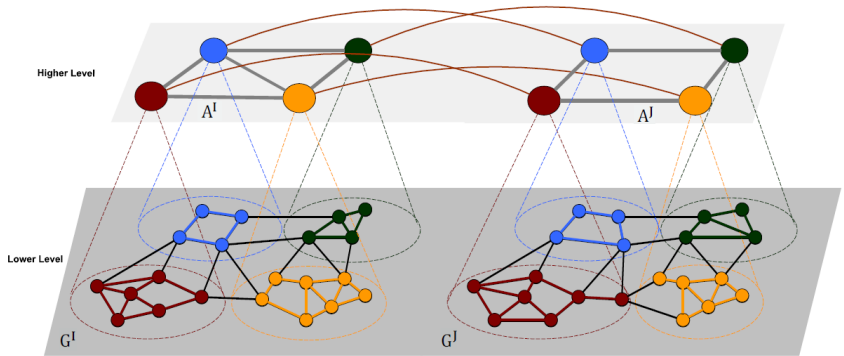
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- Similar works:
- semisupervised case [17]
 - another objective function [4, 19]
 - special kind of subproblem [19, 18]

Two level graph matching framework

Lower level: initial graphs G^I , G^J

Higher level: simplified graphs (anchor graphs A^I , A^J)



Anchor graph construction

Goal: $G^I = (V^I, E^I, D^I) \rightarrow A^I = (V^{Ia}, E^{Ia}, U^{Ia})$

Equivalent: partitioning of $G^I \supset (G_1^I \cup \dots \cup G_{|V^{Ia}|}^I)$

Done by:

- grid with r rows and c columns
- graph coarsening algorithms: Heavy Edge Matching (HEM) and Light Edge Matching (LEM)

Anchor graph and subgraph matching

Find correspondences between two anchor graphs

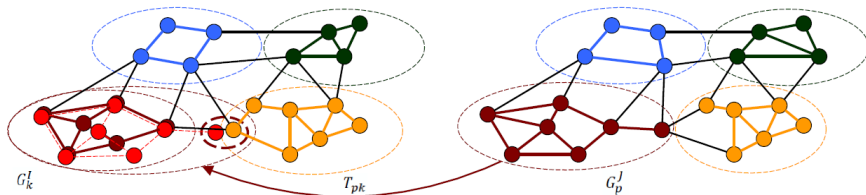
$$A^I = (V^{Ia}, E^{Ia}, U^{Ia}) \text{ and } A^J = (V^{Ja}, E^{Ja}, U^{Ja})$$

- edge similarity: compare length of the edges between anchors
- node similarity:
 - score of the matching of G_k^I and G_p^J
 - define anchor attributes based on the D^I, D^J and/or on the geometry of G^I, G^J

Match anchor graphs and subgraph using some existing algorithm (e.g. RRWM [7])

Graph partition update

- ❶ estimate an affine transformation between matched subgraphs based on the provided local correspondences (point set registration problem)
- ❷ let nodes "vote" to which subgraphs they should belong to



Complexity

- size of the anchor graphs and subgraphs
- number of iterations

The end

Thank you for your attention!



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