

Social Network Analysis

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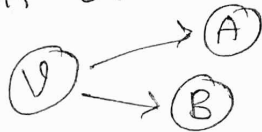
Chapter 3. Cascading properties of Networks.

* Modeling diffusion through a network.

- Here we are going to study the mathematical model for the diffusion through a network.
- "Networked co-ordination game" is the mathematical model

* Networked co-ordination game.

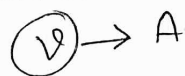
- It is having v and w players
- A and B are strategies.
- a and b are values.
- In this game the node is trying to adapt behaviour A or behaviour B .

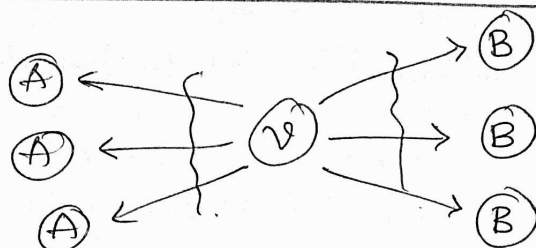


- If v and w adopt A , payoff $a > 0$
- If v and w adopt B , payoff $b > 0$
- If opposite behaviours, payoff $= 0$.
- In terms of payoff matrix it is represented as.

	$A(w)$	$B(w)$
$A(v)$	a, a	$0, 0$
$B(v)$	$0, 0$	b, b

- To maximize v adaption towards A by using decision rule that is modelling





Here d is
no. of neighbours.

- This side v is trying to adopt A behaviour.
- Tendency towards A is defined by p fraction of d neighbours they are trying to adopt behaviour A .
- pda neighbours use behaviour A .

This side v is trying to adopt B behaviour.

- Tendency towards B is defined by $(1-p)$ fraction of d neighbours they are trying to adopt behaviour B .

- $(1-p)db$ neighbours use behaviour B .

* If v chooses A , it gets a payoff of pda

* If v chooses B , it gets a payoff of $(1-p)db$.

\therefore Thus, A is better choice if
for v , $pda \geq (1-p)db$

$$pda \geq db - pdb$$

$$pa \geq b - pb$$

$$p(a+b) \geq b$$

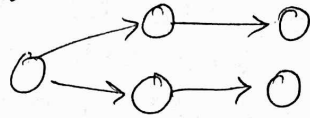
$$p \geq \frac{b}{a+b}$$

$\frac{b}{a+b}$ is assigned by q value where q is threshold value for adaption v .

- if q is small A holds good.
- if q is large B hold good.

* Information or influence diffusion in network

- information spreading from one person to another is called cascading.



- Always the individual choices depend on what the other people do.
- It is analysed at 2 different levels of resolution
 1. Amorphous population with aggregate effect (Global decision)
 2. Fine structure level which have been influenced by network neighbours (local decision)
- Most of the examples are of local interaction
- Information diffusion in network has been studied as 2 types of effects.
 1. Informational effects. or indirect-benefit effect
 2. Direct-benefit effects.

* Diffusion of innovation.

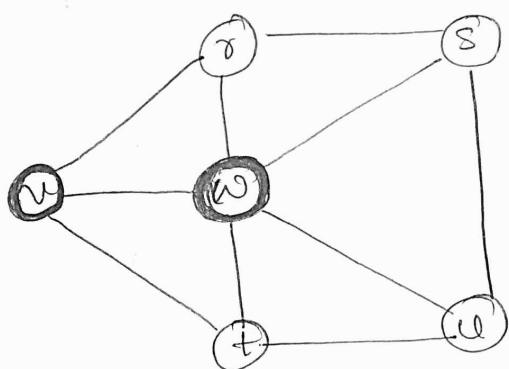
Example case study are.

1. Adoption of hybrid seed corn among farmers.
 - It was invented by researcher and spread among by third person (Salesman) so it is indirect-benefit effect.
2. Adoption of tetracycline medicine by physicians.
 - Here physician is the third person hence it is example of indirect-benefit effect

3. Research communication technologies.
Such as telephone, fax, e-mail.

- These technologies are experienced by people then spreaded. Hence it is the example for direct benefit effect.
- Success of innovation depends on the
 - ↳ complexity: difficult to understand & implement
 - ↳ observability: Not aware of what others are doing
 - ↳ triability: gradually and incrementally
 - ↳ compatibility:
- Cascading properties is done in homophily (people with same mind set)
- Adaption is difficult in tightly-knit society

* Example for maximizing the payoff using decision rule.



$$p \geq \frac{b}{a+b}$$

assume $a=3$ $b=2$.

- initial adopters are v and w representing behaviour A
- And remaining nodes are representing behaviour B.

Step 1: r and t are occupied by A.

$$\frac{2}{3} \geq \frac{2}{3+2}$$

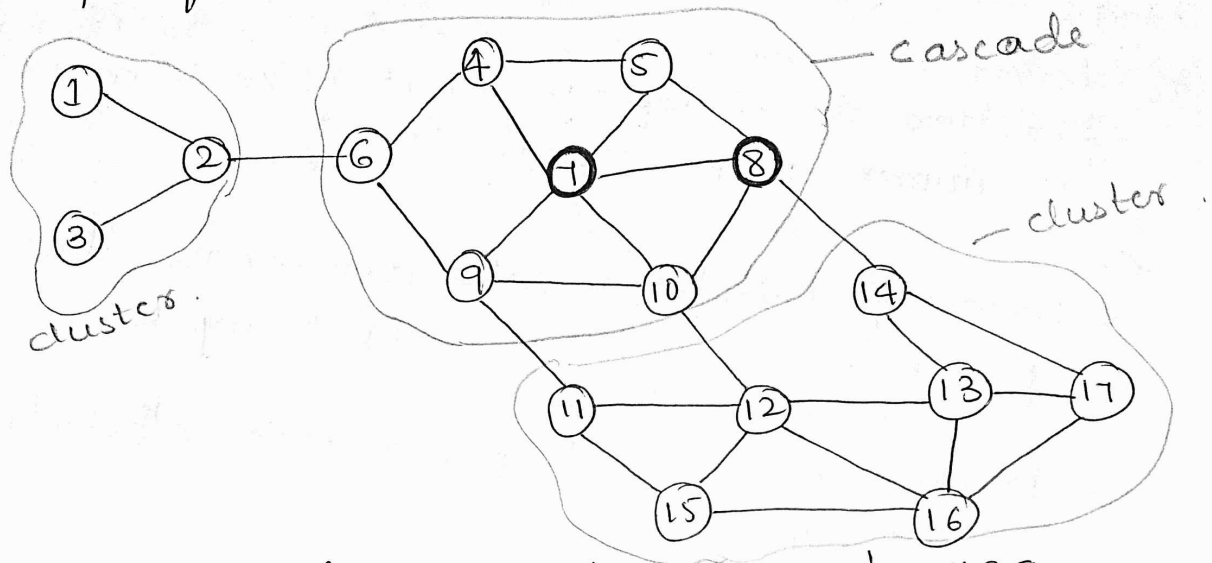
$$\frac{2}{3} \geq \frac{2}{5}$$

Step 2: s and u are occupied by A.

$$\frac{2}{3} \geq \frac{2}{5}$$

Hence here all the nodes are occupied by A it is example of complete cascading.

Example for cascade and clusters.



- Initially only 7 and 8 are having behaviour A
- Remaining nodes are having behaviour B.
- Hence we can conclude that clusters are obstacles to cascades.

* Power laws.

- popularity as a network phenomenon
- immediate social circles
- wider visibility
- Global name recognition.
- popularity is measured by centrality, prestige
- Popularity is represented by normal distribution
- The normal distribution is restricted to the power law.

Books are popular } commands an audience
 movies are popular } (power)

Barack Obama } web page. - popularity is measured based on no. of inlink
 Bill Gates }

link) fraction of webpage in link

- Large the value of K greater the popularity
- To derive the power law consider web history
- fraction of webpage that have K in links is approx. proportional to $\frac{1}{K^2}$

Ex:

- Incoming telephone calls are measured as $\frac{1}{K^2}$
- fraction of books bought by K people $\frac{1}{K^3}$
- fraction of research papers receive citation are $\frac{1}{K^3}$
- If the value of K is larger then it leads to extreme imbalance.
- So in the law value is fixed that is $\frac{1}{K^c}$ where c is constant.

$$f(K) \propto \frac{1}{K^c}$$

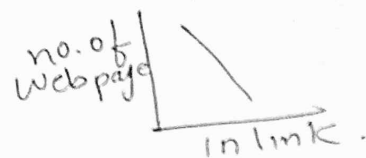
$$= \frac{a}{K^c} = aK^{-c}$$

logarithm on both sides

$$\log f(K) = \log a - c \log K$$

By using power law we can represent it in $y = mx + c$.

$\log a$ is slope.
 c is y -intercept.



* Rich-Get-Richer Models.

- preferential attachment model.

Ex: city population, DNA mutation, urn process

Algorithm.

1. Pages are created in order and named $1, 2, 3, \dots, N$.

2. When page j is created, it produces a link to an earlier web page according to the following probabilistic rule:

(a) With probability p , page j chooses a page i uniformly at random from among all earlier pages and creates a link to this page i .

(b) With probability $(1-p)$, page j instead chooses a page i uniformly at random from among all earlier pages, and creates a link to page that i points to.

(c) Creation of a single link from page j , can repeat this process to create multiple, independently generated links from page j .