Orientation – Graph Mining

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1. About This Course

Goal

- This lecture provides understandings of concepts and methodologies of graph mining.
- Students will learn fundamental concepts and properties of the networked data.
- Based on the concepts, the students will learn metrics and analysis methods for structural properties of graphs.
- The students will obtain capabilities for analyzing unstructured big data with graphs.

Contents

- Fundamental concepts of network science
- Power laws and scale-free networks
- Structure, nodes, and links analysis
- Network communities
- Node classification and link prediction
- Diffusion of information
- Influence propagation





2. Reference Book

- Students do not need to buy textbooks
- Most of the lecture materials will be provided in digital format (e.g., PDF files)

Textbooks

- William L. Hamilton, "Graph Representation Learning Book," Morgan and Claypool, 2020
- David Easley and Jon Kleinberg, "Networks, Crowds, and Markets: Reasoning About a Highly Connected World," Cambridge University Press, 2010
- Albert-László Barabási, "Network science," Cambridge University Press, 2017



Week 1: Introduction to Graph Mining

- Overview of graph mining
- Types of graphs and their applications
- Basic graph concepts (nodes, edges, degree, etc.)

• Week 2: Graph Representation and Storage

- Adjacency matrix and list
- Sparse matrix representations
- Graph databases and storage systems

Week 3: Centrality Measures

- Degree centrality
- Betweenness centrality
- Closeness centrality
- Eigenvector centrality
- PageRank and its application in web search



Week 4: Graph Visualization

- Visualization techniques (spring-embedded, circular, etc.)
- Tools for graph exploration and visualization (Gephi, Cytoscape, etc.)

• Week 5: Community Detection

- Definition of communities and their properties
- Clustering techniques (k-means, hierarchical, etc.)
- Modularity and its variants
- Tools for community detection (Louvain, Infomap, etc.)

Week 6: Link Prediction

- Types of links (positive, negative, neutral)
- Commonly used link prediction methods (common neighbors, Jaccard coefficient, etc.)
- Tools for link prediction

Week 7: Subgraph Mining

- Frequent subgraph mining (FSM)
- FSM algorithms (gSpan, FSG, etc.)
- Tools for frequent subgraph mining (Traceminer, etc.)

Week 8: Mid-term Exam

Week 9: Graph Kernels

- Overview of graph kernels
- WL relabeling process
- Applications of graph kernels

Week 10: Node Classification

- Overview of node classification
- Feature extraction methods
- Classification algorithms (SVM, Random Forest, etc.)
- Evaluation metrics





Week 11: Graph Applications in Social networks

- Overview of graph applications in social networks
- Social network analysis
- Community detection and link prediction in social networks

Week 12: Graph Applications in Bioinformatics

- Overview of graph applications in biological networks
- Graph pattern mining
- Graph classification task in Bioinformatics

Week 13: Graph Applications in web graph

- Overview of graph applications in web graph
- Web graph crawling
- Web graph analysis

- Week 14: Additional Topics and Wrap-up
 - Graph neural networks
 - Graph Transformers
 - Summary of key concepts
 - Future directions in graph
- Week 16: Final Exam

4. Assessment Criteria and Grading Scale

Assessment

Midterm exam: 30%

• Final exam: 30%

• Homework: 30%

• Attendance: 10%

All test questions are made up within lecture slides and assignments

Tentative Grading Scale

• A: 80~100

• B: 60~80

• C: ~60

F: Absence from exams

5. Assignments

Weekly Programming Practice

• Performing practical programming in one class every week

6. Instructor Information

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