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for Optimized Learning (from Networks)**

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## 1 Dataset preprocessing

Before proceeding to a discussion of the preprocessing of the datasets, it is necessary to inform readers that changes have been made to the Pennsylvania dataset in the proposal. The dataset from [1] has been used instead. The decision to change the dataset was made to have a directed graph, instead of an undirected one, so to have more uniformity among road networks. The main properties of the new dataset are the following:  $|V| = 1088092$ ,  $|E| = 3083796$ , and Directed.

All of the datasets utilized in this study were subjected to a unification of format through a preprocessing procedure. The datasets were in various file formats and contained different types of information. Initially, all the datasets were manually converted to CSV files. Subsequently, a Python script was implemented to automate the preprocessing of the datasets. To ensure a uniform data structure, all datasets were converted into CSV files comprising three columns: `u`, `v`, and `weight`. The columns `u` and `v` represent the source and target nodes of an edge, respectively. In the case of an undirected dataset, each edge between two vertices, denoted by  $(u, v)$ , is represented by two directed edges, namely  $(u, v)$  and  $(v, u)$ . The column `weight` represents the weight of the edge. In the case of an unweighted dataset, a uniform weight of 1.0 was assigned to all edges. Finally, if the node identifications were not numeric, they were mapped to numeric consecutive IDs starting from 0.

## References

- [1] Jure Leskovec and Andrej Krevl. *SNAP Datasets: Stanford Large Network Dataset Collection*. <http://snap.stanford.edu/data>. June 2014.

## **Contribution of Authors and AI Usage**

The contributions for this project are:

- Datasets preprocessing: Silvia Mondin (implementation, writing);

The following AI tools were used:

- Copilot was used to suggest code and report snippets.
- DeepL was used to correct the grammar and syntax of the text.