Report of Network Science Assignment

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Abstract

This assignment focus on analyzing the data set with the technique such as **Page Rank**, **Find Eigenvector Centrality** and **Find In and Out degree**. I try to combine the above methods to work out the top 10 rank of a data set which is called **Top Four Cities**.)) This data set seems very confusing initially. However, by using the above techniques, we gradually can find the top 10 nodes which has the highest rank in all the data set.

Data Set Source:

/Dataset/topfourcites.txt

Introduce the PageRank Algorithm

1.1 Flowchart

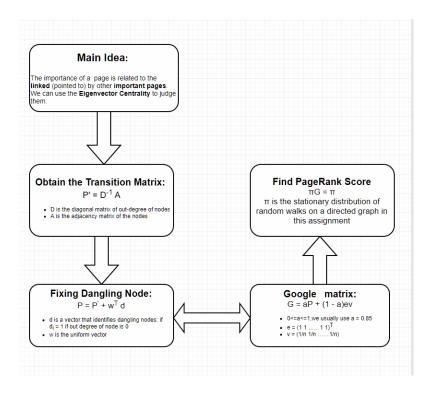


Figure: Flowchart

The flowchart cover each page rank step. It also cover the parameters and how I use select them.

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return π

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Algorithm 1 Calculate pagerank
Require: v = (1/n, 1/n...1/n), e = (1, 1, 1, 1....1), W = (1/n, 1/n...1/n)
  d[i] is the out degree of node i
  y \Leftarrow 1
  if out degree of node = 0 then
     d[i] \Leftarrow 1
  else
     d[i] \Leftarrow 0
  end if
  D' is the diagonal matrix of out – degree of nodes
  P' \Leftarrow D' \times A
  P \Leftarrow P' + W^T \times d
  G \Leftarrow \alpha \times P + 1 - \alpha \times ev
  \pi(0) = (1/n, 1/n....1/n)
  while True do
     p(i+1) \Leftarrow p(i) \times G
     if abs(\pi(i+1) - \pi(i)) < error then
        break
     end if
  end while
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Visualization

In this chapter, I visualize a tables combine with a graphs of the top ten node in each algorithm

Top ten in degree of node		
Node	value	
Meyer DS 2004	8.03124821796318	
Earl J 2004	6.382854503328885	
Kalev A 2006	5.146559217353166	
Cress DM 2000	3.498165502718872	
Sampson RJ 2005	3.498165502718872	
Charles CZ 2003	3.0860670740602987	
King BG 2007	3.0860670740602987	
Mcadam D 2001	2.880017859731012	
Benford RD 2000	2.6739686454017257	
Logan JR 2004	2.467919431072439	

Table: Top ten in degree of node

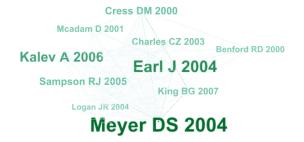


Figure In degree of top ten node

As the above graph shown, Meyer DS 2004 has the highest in-degree which is the same as the table shown 8.03124821796318. The in-degree rank of other nodes is also show on the graph order by the size of nodes.

Top ten out degree of node		
Node	value	
Mccarthy JD 1977	8.012879874411901	
Mcadam Douglas 1982	6.008786197075345	
Tilly C 1978	5.700464092869721	
Wilson W J 1987	5.083819884458474	
Denton Nancy A 1993	4.7754977802528495	
Dimaggio PJ 1983	4.158853571841602	
Meyer JW 1977	4.00469251973879	
Granovetms 1973	3.850531467635978	
Mccarthy JD 1996	3.2338872592247303	
Gamson W 1990	3.0797262071219182	

Table: Top ten out degree of node



Figure Out degree of top ten node

As the above graph shown, Mccarthy JD 1977 has the highest out-degree which is the same as the table shown 8.012879874411901. The out-degree rank of other nodes is also show on the graph order by the size of nodes.

Top ten Eigenvector centrality of node		
Node	value	
Meyer DS 2004	0.2714494	
Mccarthy JD 1977	0.27114936	
Cress DM 2000	0.24436234	
Earl J 2004	0.23883461	
Tilly C 1978	0.23256826	
Mccarthy JD 1996	0.222541	
Mcadam Douglas 1982	0.2130869	
Gamson W 1990	0.20264384	
Tarrow S 1998	0.1793854	
Mcadam D 2001	0.15747336	

Table: Top ten Eigenvector centrality of node



Figure Eigenvector centrality of top ten node

I try the iteration equals 100 and 200 and find the same result, which means that in at most 100 iterations the eigenvector centrality will come to converge. Similarly, we can also find the rank value of the node is shown as the graph rank by size. **e.g**, **Meyer DS** 2004 is the largest Node with the value equals 0.2714494 rank first

Top ten Page Rank of node	
Node	value
Meyer DS 2004	0.78125451
Earl J 2004	0.31142786
Andrews KT 2004	0.17355846
King BG 2007	0.1697048
Mcadam D 2001	0.16243874
Cress DM 2000	0.15626345
Davis GF 2005	0.14311321
Mccammon HJ 2001	0.12880348
King BG 2005	0.11845306
Sampson RJ 2002	0.11700992

Table: Top ten Page Rank of node



Figure Page Rank of top ten node

I try the iteration equals 100 and 200 and find the same result, which means that in at most 100 iterations the eigenvector centrality will come to converge. Similarly, we can also find the rank value of the node is shown as the graph rank by size. The result exists difference compare with the figure, it might cause by different page rank algorithm. Like Node: King BG rank forrth in the table but with the largest size in the figure

Conclusion

3.1 Abstract of In Degree, Out Degree and Eigenvector Centrality

As we learn, in degree means how many a node be pointed by other nodes. Out degree means how many a node pointing to other nodes. Eigenvector centrality means the importance of a node depends on the importance of its neighbors.

3.2 Comparison of In Degree, Out Degree and Eigenvector Centrality

As the table show above, we can find that top ten out degree node have numeral same nodes compare with eigenvector centrality. Thus, we can make an assumption that the higher out degree of a node is, the higher eigenvector centrality it might be. In the same way we can find that top ten out degree of nodes also similar with top ten eigenvector centrality. However the in degree and out degree rank result has few same nodes.

Finally, we can make a conclusion that the importance of a node is judge by both in degree and out degree rather than just one of them.

Epilogue

Due to the limitation of the time, my result may not the same as the result called by library.

However, I cover all the requirements! Also, I try my best to approximate my result to the standard result. Fortunately, I found my result is similar to the standard one.

If it is possible, I am looking forward to be your students in the future.

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Code & Related Files:

https://github.com/Voldet/NS_project