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Analysis of Large Graphs: Link Analysis, PageRank

Mining of Massive Datasets

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New Topic: Graph Data!

High dim.
data

Locality
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hashing

Clustering

Dimensional
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reduction

Graph
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PageRank,
SimRank

Community
Detection

Spam
Detection

Infinite
data

Filtering
data
streams

Web
advertising

Queries on
streams

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SVM

Decision
Trees

Perceptron,
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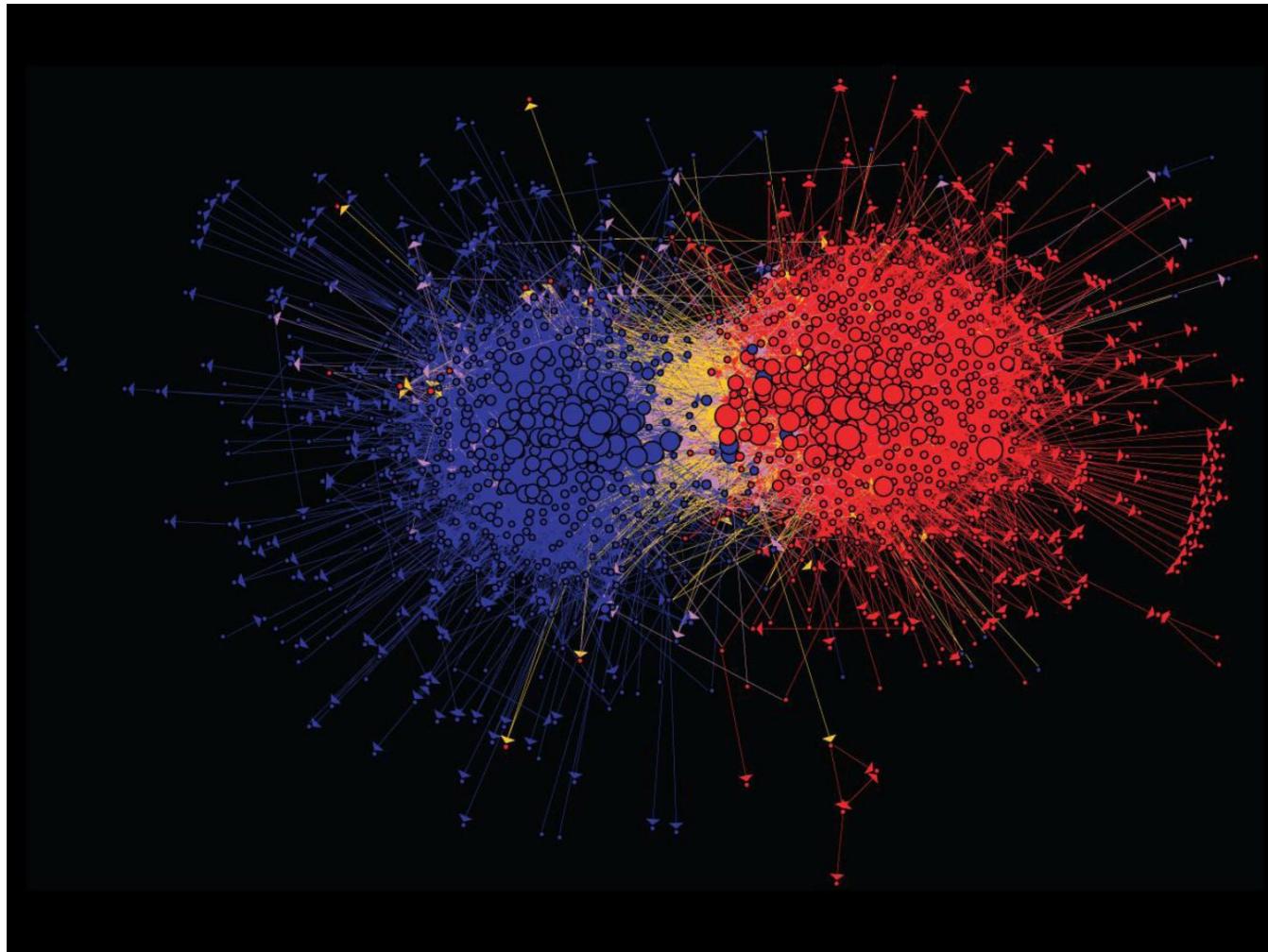
Graph Data: Social Networks



Facebook social graph

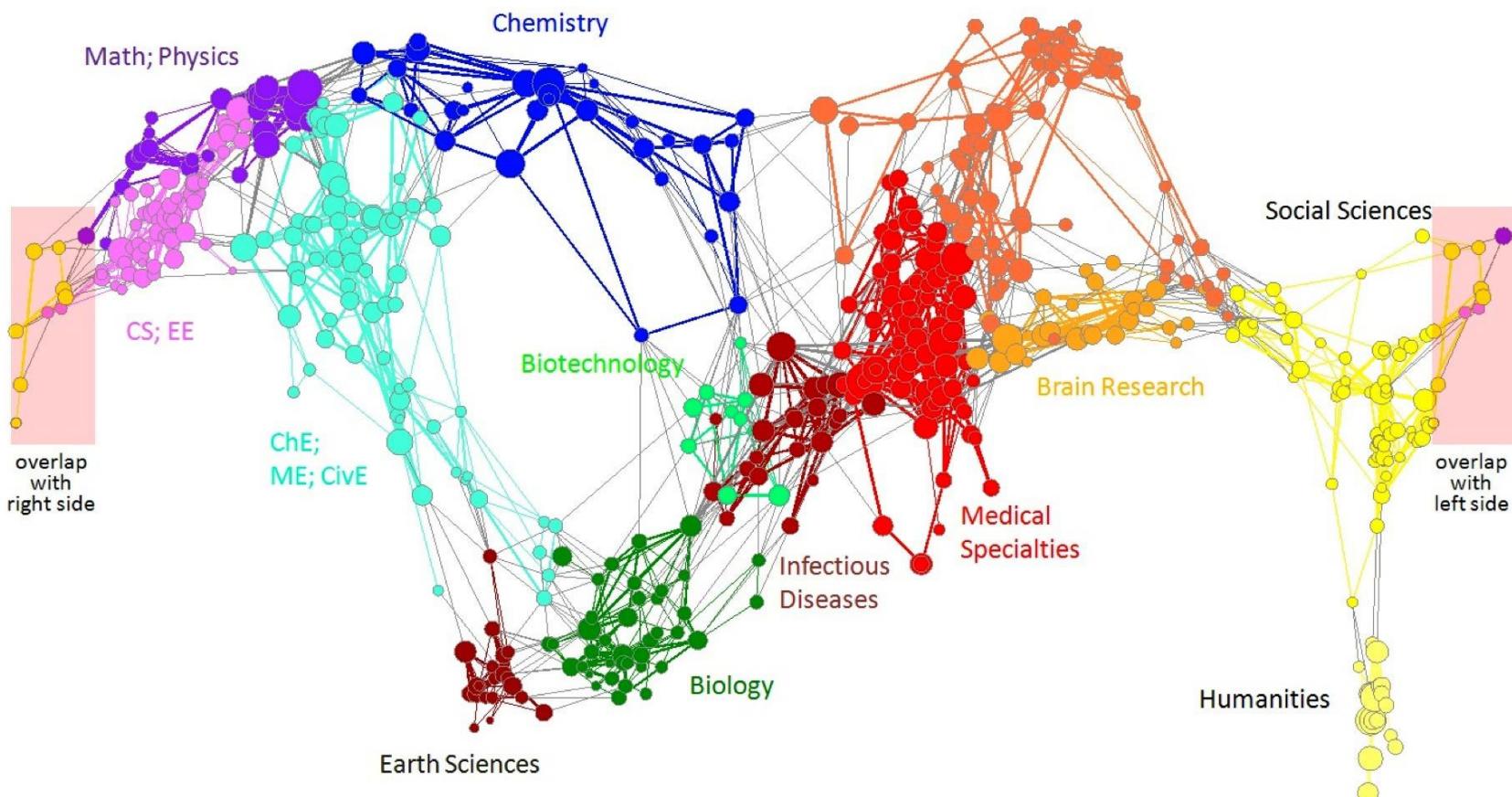
4-degrees of separation [Backstrom-Boldi-Rosa-Ugander-Vigna, 2011]

Graph Data: Media Networks



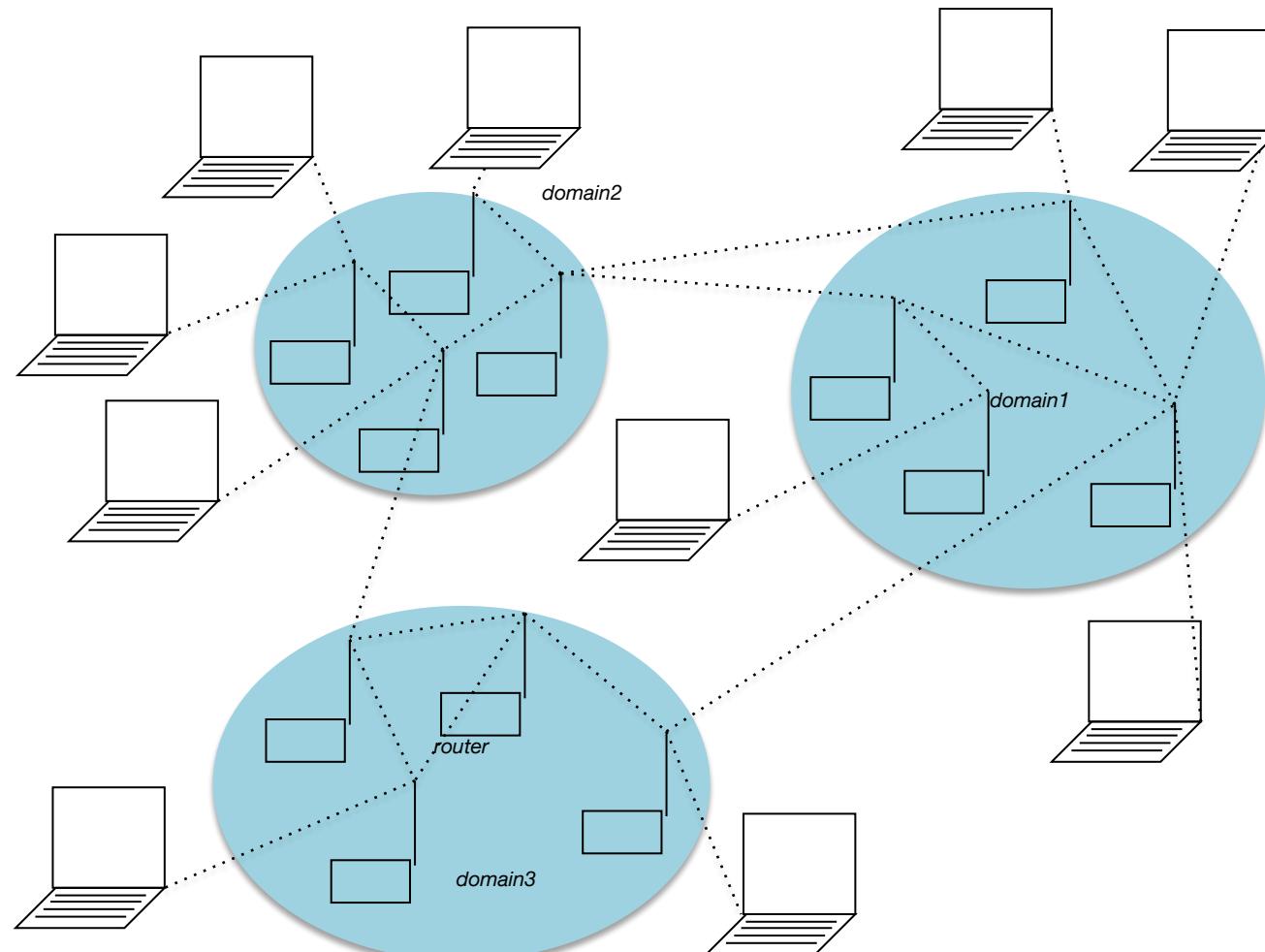
Connections between political blogs
Polarization of the network [Adamic-Glance, 2005]

Graph Data: Information Nets



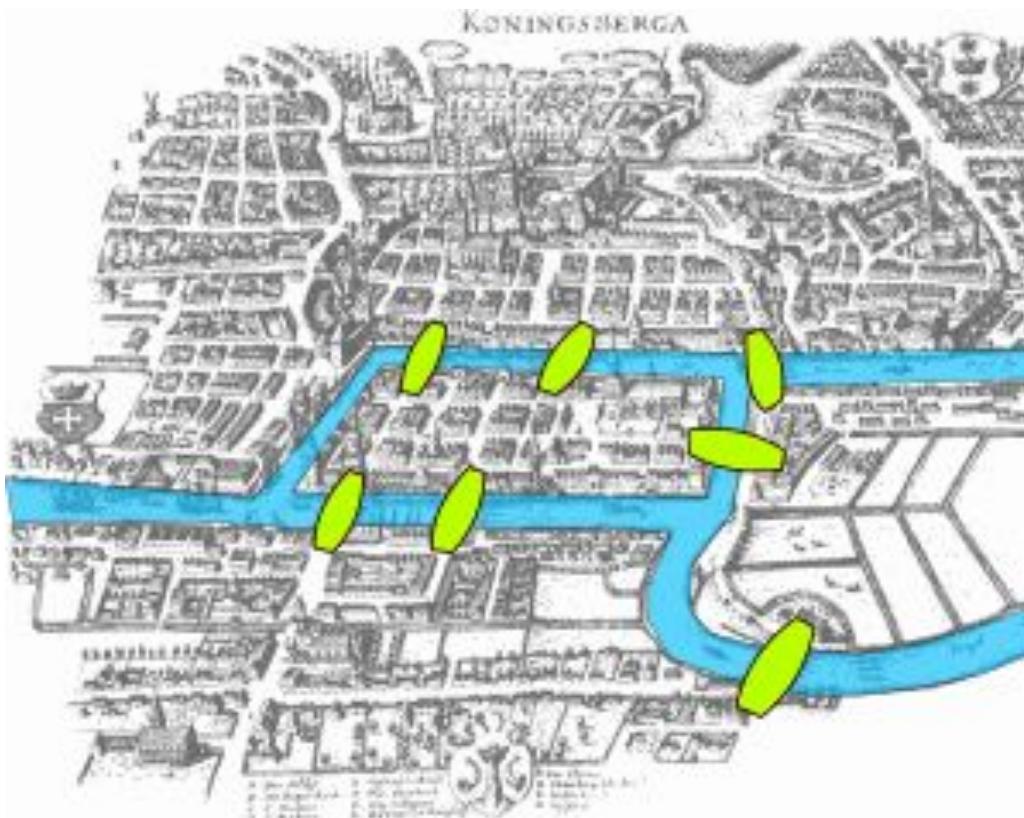
Citation networks and Maps of science
[Börner et al., 2012]

Graph Data: Communication Nets



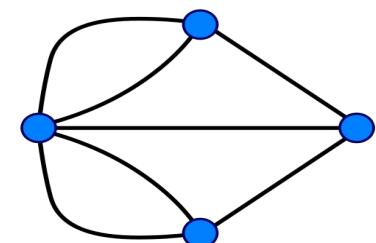
Internet

Graph Data: Technological Networks



Seven Bridges of Königsberg
[Euler, 1735]

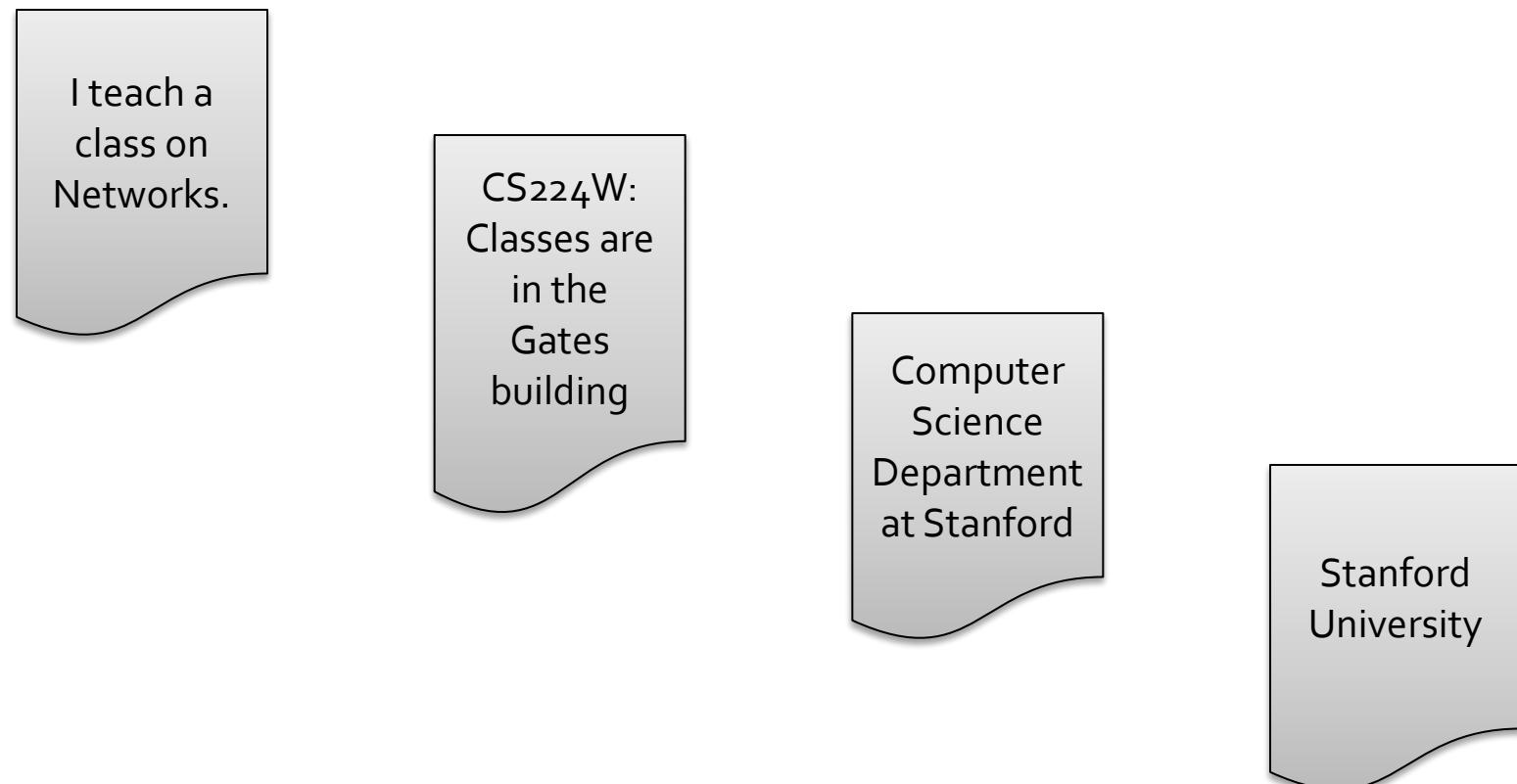
Return to the starting point by traveling each link of the graph once and only once.



Web as a Graph

■ Web as a directed graph:

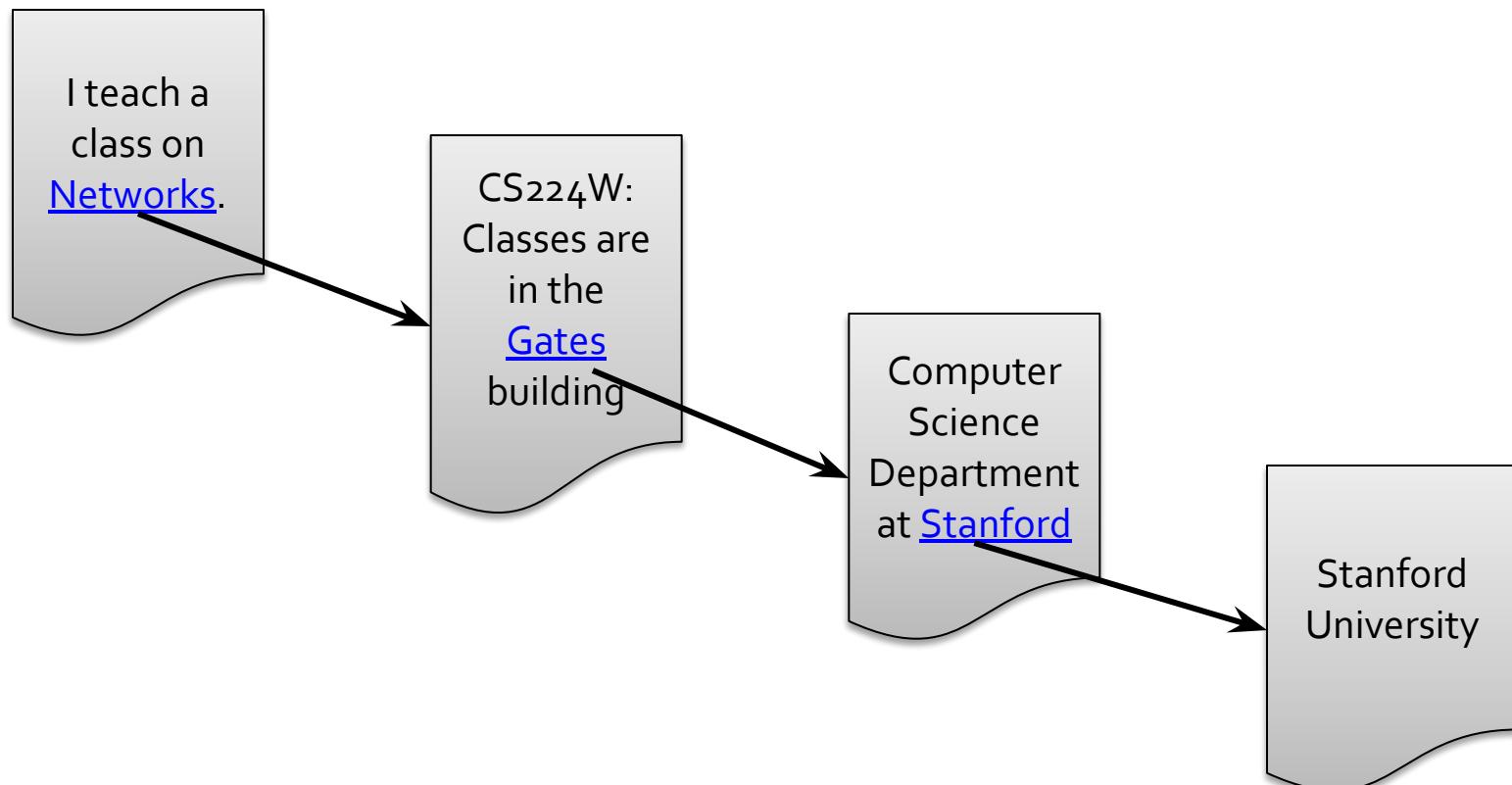
- Nodes: Webpages
- Edges: Hyperlinks



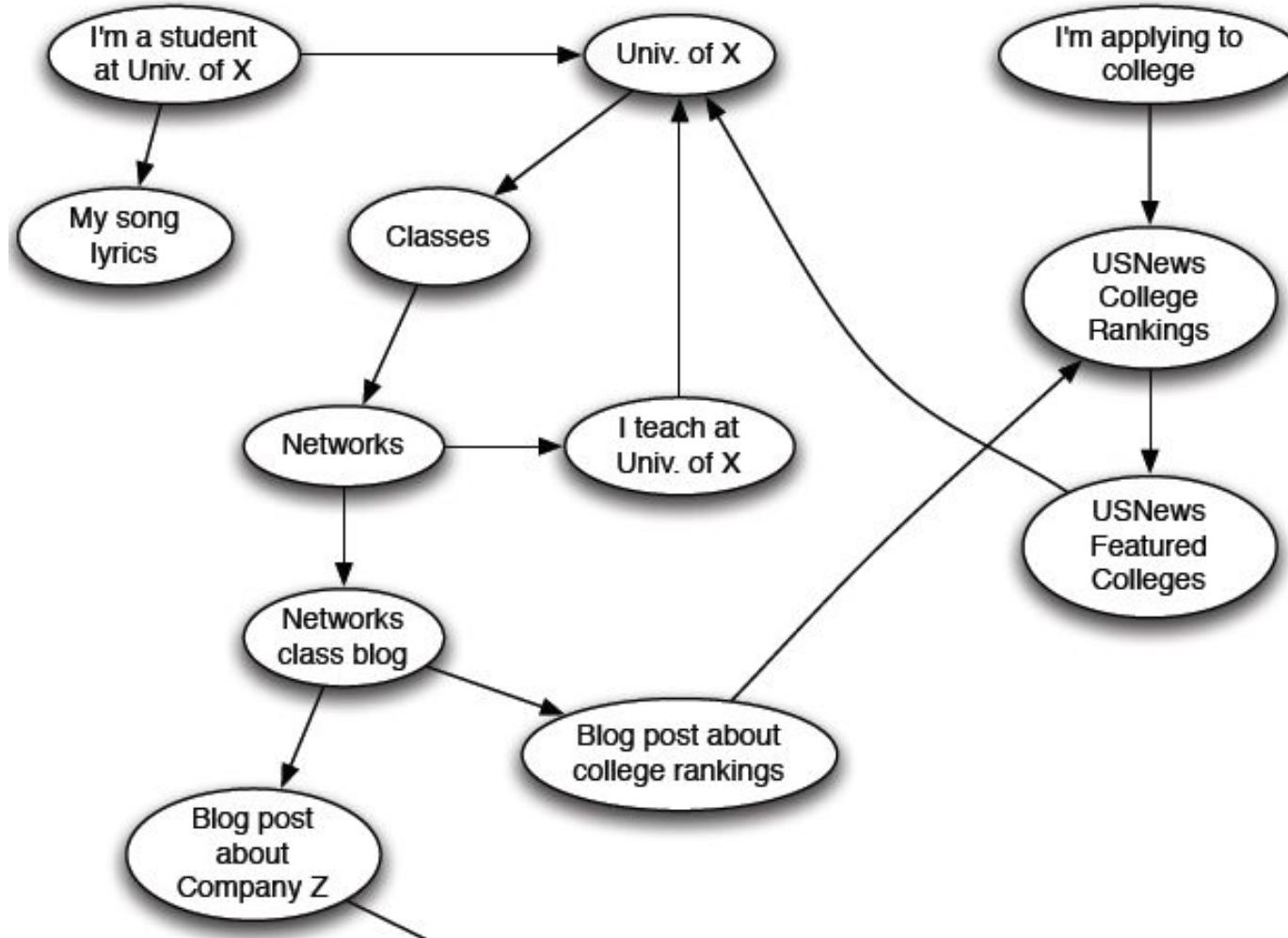
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Web as a Directed Graph



Broad Question

■ How to organize the Web?

■ First try: Human curated Web directories

- Yahoo, DMOZ, LookSmart

■ Second try: Web Search

- **Information Retrieval** investigates:

Find relevant docs in a small
and trusted set

- Newspaper articles, Patents, etc.
- **But:** Web is **huge**, full of untrusted documents,
random things, web spam, etc.



Web Search: 2 Challenges

2 challenges of web search:

- (1) Web contains many sources of information
Who to “trust”?
 - Trick: Trustworthy pages may point to each other!
- (2) What is the “best” answer to query “newspaper”?
 - No single right answer
 - Trick: Pages that actually know about newspapers might all be pointing to many newspapers

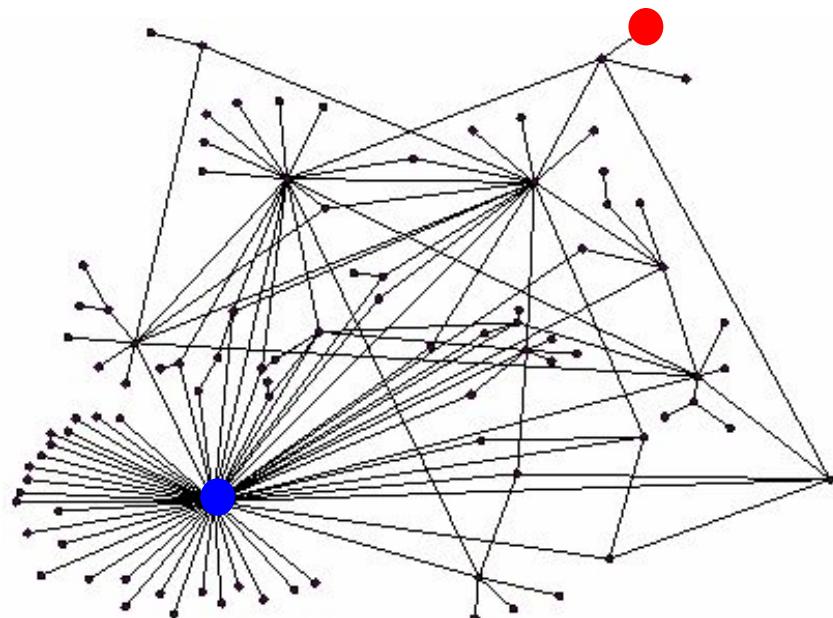
Ranking Nodes on the Graph

- All web pages are not equally “important”

www.joe-schmoe.com vs. www.stanford.edu

- There is large diversity in the web-graph node connectivity.

Let's rank the pages by the link structure!



Link Analysis Algorithms

- We will cover the following **Link Analysis approaches** for computing **importances** of nodes in a graph:
 - Page Rank
 - Topic-Specific (Personalized) Page Rank
 - Web Spam Detection Algorithms

PageRank: The “Flow” Formulation

Links as Votes

■ Idea: Links as votes

- Page is more important if it has more links
 - In-coming links? Out-going links?

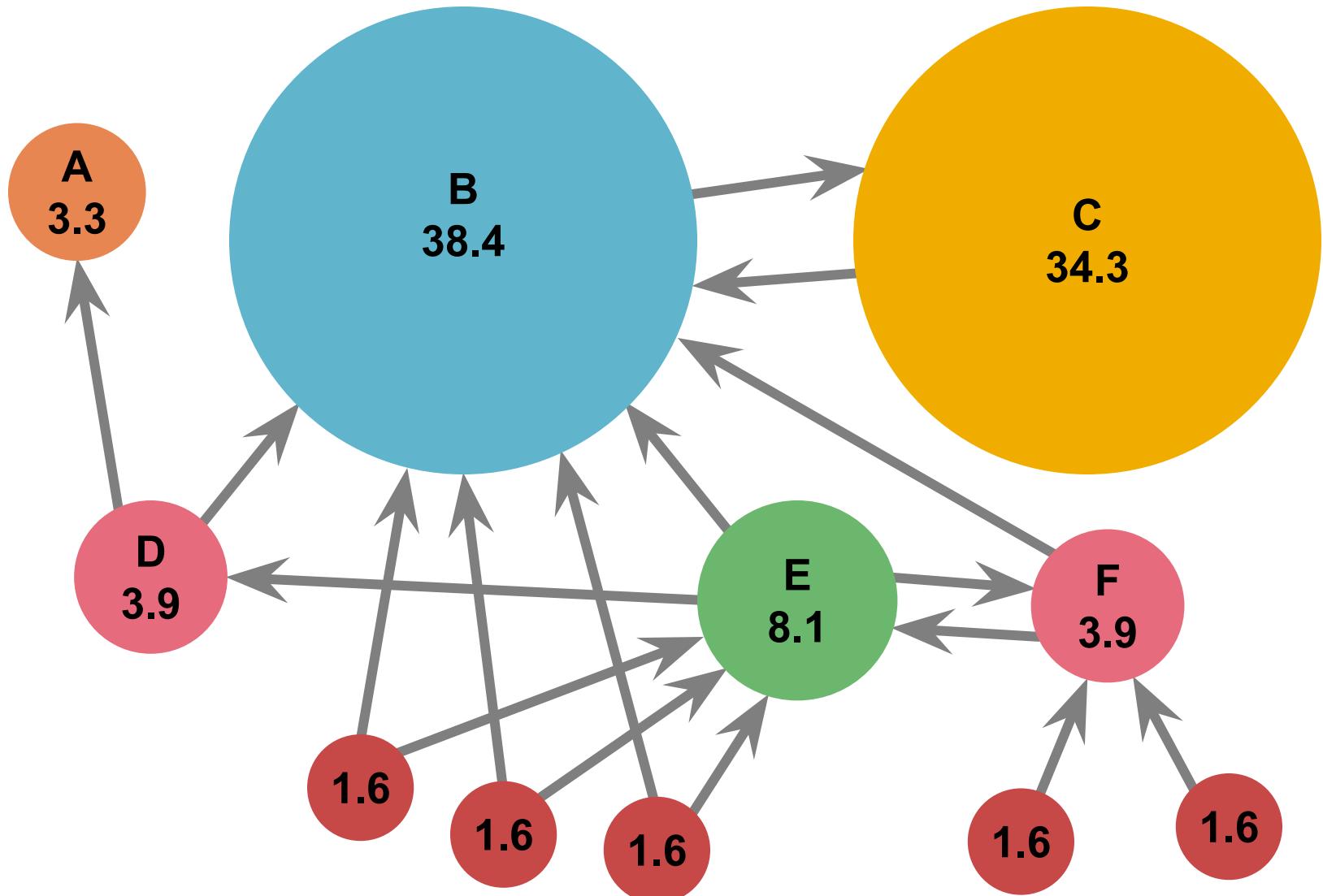
■ Think of in-links as votes:

- www.stanford.edu has 23,400 in-links
- www.joe-schmoe.com has 1 in-link

■ Are all in-links are equal?

- Links from important pages count more
- Recursive question!

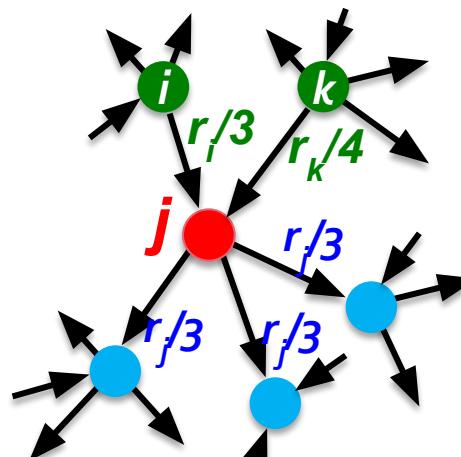
Example: PageRank Scores



Simple Recursive Formulation

- Each link's vote is proportional to the **importance** of its source page
- If page j with importance r_j has n out-links, each link gets r_j/n votes
- Page j 's own importance is the sum of the votes on its in-links

$$r_j = r_i/3 + r_k/4$$



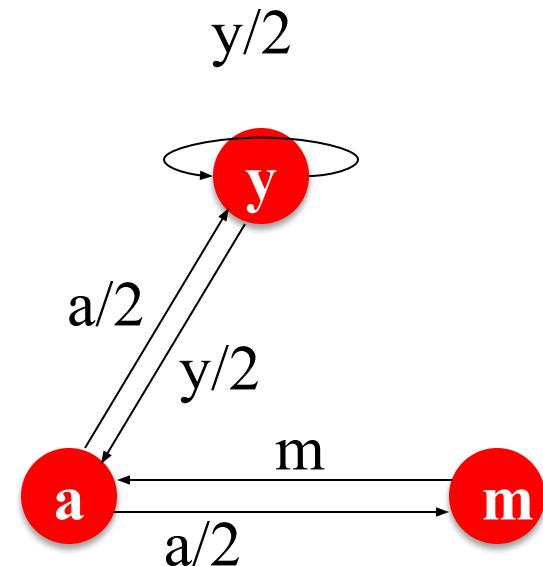
PageRank: The “Flow” Model

- A “vote” from an important page is worth more
- A page is important if it is pointed to by other important pages
- Define a “rank” r_j for page j

$$r_j = \sum_{i \rightarrow j} \frac{r_i}{d_i}$$

d_i ... out-degree of node i

The web in 1839



“Flow” equations:

$$r_y = r_y/2 + r_a/2$$

$$r_a = r_y/2 + r_m/2$$

$$r_m = r_a/2$$

Solving the Flow Equations

- **3 equations, 3 unknowns, no constants**

- No unique solution
- All solutions equivalent modulo the scale factor

- **Additional constraint forces uniqueness:**

- $r_y + r_a + r_m = 1$
- **Solution:** $r_y = \frac{2}{5}$, $r_a = \frac{2}{5}$, $r_m = \frac{1}{5}$
- **Gaussian elimination method works for small examples, but we need a better method for large web-size graphs**
- **We need a new formulation!**

Flow equations:

$$r_y = r_y/2 + r_a/2$$

$$r_a = r_y/2 + r_m$$

$$r_m = r_a/2$$

PageRank: Matrix Formulation

■ Stochastic adjacency matrix M

- Let page i has d_i out-links
- If $i \rightarrow j$, then $M_{ji} = \frac{1}{d_i}$ else $M_{ji} = 0$
 - M is a **column stochastic matrix**
 - Columns sum to 1

■ Rank vector r : vector with an entry per page

- r_i is the importance score of page i
 - $\sum_i r_i = 1$
- ## ■ The flow equations can be written

$$\mathbf{r} = M \cdot \mathbf{r}$$

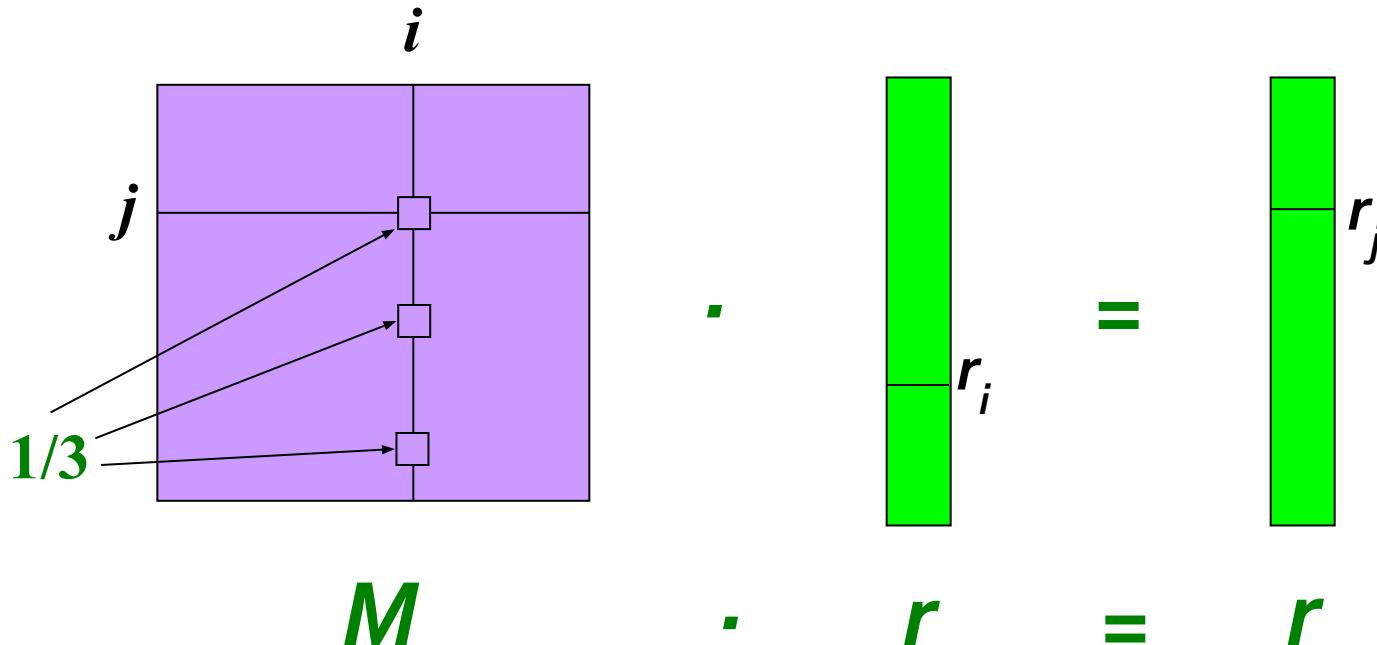
$$r_j = \sum_{i \rightarrow j} \frac{r_i}{d_i}$$

Example

- Remember the flow equation: $r_j = \sum_{i \rightarrow j} \frac{r_i}{d_i}$
- Flow equation in the matrix form

$$M \cdot r = r$$

- Suppose page i links to 3 pages, including j



Eigenvector Formulation

- The flow equations can be written

$$\mathbf{r} = \mathbf{M} \cdot \mathbf{r}$$

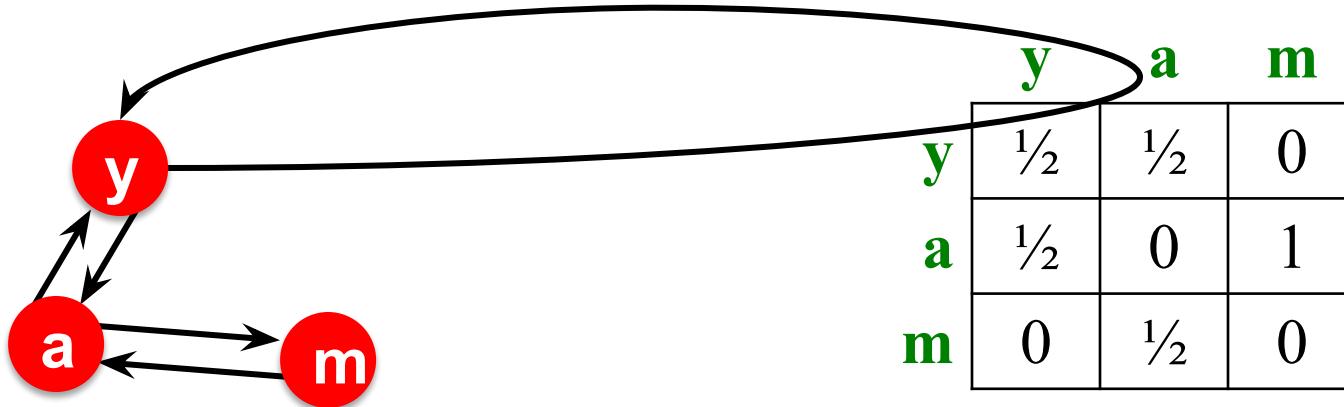
- So the rank vector \mathbf{r} is an eigenvector of the stochastic web matrix \mathbf{M}
 - In fact, its first or principal eigenvector, with corresponding eigenvalue $\mathbf{1}$
 - Largest eigenvalue of \mathbf{M} is $\mathbf{1}$ since \mathbf{M} is column stochastic (with non-negative entries)
 - We know \mathbf{r} is unit length and each column of \mathbf{M} sums to one, so $\mathbf{M}\mathbf{r} \leq \mathbf{1}$

NOTE: \mathbf{x} is an eigenvector with the corresponding eigenvalue λ if:

$$\mathbf{A}\mathbf{x} = \lambda\mathbf{x}$$

- We can now efficiently solve for \mathbf{r} !
The method is called Power iteration

Example: Flow Equations & M



$$\mathbf{r} = \mathbf{M} \cdot \mathbf{r}$$

$$\mathbf{r}_y = \mathbf{r}_y/2 + \mathbf{r}_a/2$$

$$\mathbf{r}_a = \mathbf{r}_y/2 + \mathbf{r}_m$$

$$\mathbf{r}_m = \mathbf{r}_a/2$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} y \\ a \\ m \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} & 0 \\ \frac{1}{2} & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & \frac{1}{2} & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} y \\ a \\ m \end{bmatrix}$$

Power Iteration Method

- Given a web graph with n nodes, where the nodes are pages and edges are hyperlinks
- Power iteration: a simple iterative scheme

- Suppose there are N web pages

- Initialize: $\mathbf{r}^{(0)} = [1/N, \dots, 1/N]^T$

- Iterate: $\mathbf{r}^{(t+1)} = \mathbf{M} \cdot \mathbf{r}^{(t)}$

- Stop when $|\mathbf{r}^{(t+1)} - \mathbf{r}^{(t)}|_1 < \varepsilon$

$|\mathbf{x}|_1 = \sum_{1 \leq i \leq N} |x_i|$ is the L_1 norm

Can use any other vector norm, e.g., Euclidean

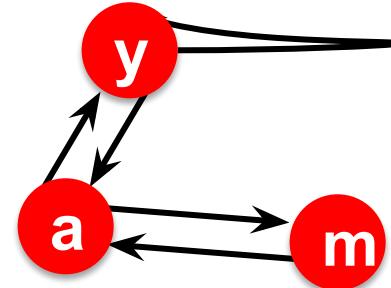
$$r_j^{(t+1)} = \sum_{i \rightarrow j} \frac{r_i^{(t)}}{d_i}$$

d_i out-degree of node i

PageRank: How to solve?

■ Power Iteration:

- Set $r_j = 1/N$
- 1: $r'_j = \sum_{i \rightarrow j} \frac{r_i}{d_i}$
- 2: $r = r'$
- Goto 1



	y	a	m
y	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	0
a	$\frac{1}{2}$	0	1
m	0	$\frac{1}{2}$	0

$$r_y = r_y/2 + r_a/2$$

$$r_a = r_y/2 + r_m/2$$

$$r_m = r_a/2$$

■ Example:

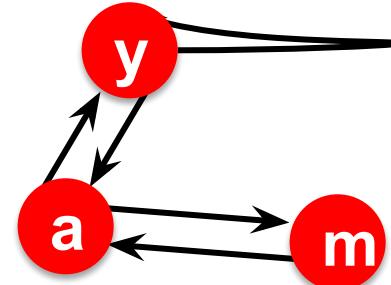
$$\begin{bmatrix} r_y \\ r_a \\ r_m \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1/3 \\ 1/3 \\ 1/3 \end{bmatrix}$$

Iteration 0, 1, 2, ...

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	y	a	m
y	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	0
a	$\frac{1}{2}$	0	1
m	0	$\frac{1}{2}$	0

$$r_y = r_y/2 + r_a/2$$

$$r_a = r_y/2 + r_m/2$$

$$r_m = r_a/2$$

■ Example:

$$\begin{bmatrix} r_y \\ r_a \\ r_m \end{bmatrix} = \begin{matrix} 1/3 & 1/3 & 5/12 & 9/24 & 6/15 \\ 1/3 & 3/6 & 1/3 & 11/24 & \dots & 6/15 \\ 1/3 & 1/6 & 3/12 & 1/6 & 3/15 \end{matrix}$$

Iteration 0, 1, 2, ...

Why Power Iteration works? (1)

■ Power iteration:

A method for finding dominant eigenvector (the vector corresponding to the largest eigenvalue)

- $\mathbf{r}^{(1)} = \mathbf{M} \cdot \mathbf{r}^{(0)}$
- $\mathbf{r}^{(2)} = \mathbf{M} \cdot \mathbf{r}^{(1)} = \mathbf{M}(\mathbf{M}\mathbf{r}^{(1)}) = \mathbf{M}^2 \cdot \mathbf{r}^{(0)}$
- $\mathbf{r}^{(3)} = \mathbf{M} \cdot \mathbf{r}^{(2)} = \mathbf{M}(\mathbf{M}^2\mathbf{r}^{(0)}) = \mathbf{M}^3 \cdot \mathbf{r}^{(0)}$

■ Claim:

Sequence $\mathbf{M} \cdot \mathbf{r}^{(0)}, \mathbf{M}^2 \cdot \mathbf{r}^{(0)}, \dots, \mathbf{M}^k \cdot \mathbf{r}^{(0)}, \dots$
approaches the dominant eigenvector of \mathbf{M}

Why Power Iteration works? (2)

- **Claim:** Sequence $\mathbf{M} \cdot \mathbf{r}^{(0)}, \mathbf{M}^2 \cdot \mathbf{r}^{(0)}, \dots, \mathbf{M}^k \cdot \mathbf{r}^{(0)}, \dots$ approaches the dominant eigenvector of \mathbf{M}
- **Proof:**

- Assume \mathbf{M} has n linearly independent eigenvectors, x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n with corresponding eigenvalues $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_n$, where $\lambda_1 > \lambda_2 > \dots > \lambda_n$
- Vectors x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n form a basis and thus we can write:

$$\mathbf{r}^{(0)} = c_1 x_1 + c_2 x_2 + \dots + c_n x_n$$
- $$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{M}\mathbf{r}^{(0)} &= \mathbf{M}(c_1 x_1 + c_2 x_2 + \dots + c_n x_n) \\ &= c_1(Mx_1) + c_2(Mx_2) + \dots + c_n(Mx_n) \\ &= c_1(\lambda_1 x_1) + c_2(\lambda_2 x_2) + \dots + c_n(\lambda_n x_n) \end{aligned}$$
- **Repeated multiplication on both sides produces**

$$\mathbf{M}^k \mathbf{r}^{(0)} = c_1(\lambda_1^k x_1) + c_2(\lambda_2^k x_2) + \dots + c_n(\lambda_n^k x_n)$$

Why Power Iteration works? (3)

- **Claim:** Sequence $\mathbf{M} \cdot \mathbf{r}^{(0)}, \mathbf{M}^2 \cdot \mathbf{r}^{(0)}, \dots, \mathbf{M}^k \cdot \mathbf{r}^{(0)}, \dots$ approaches the dominant eigenvector of \mathbf{M}
- **Proof (continued):**

■ Repeated multiplication on both sides produces

$$\mathbf{M}^k \mathbf{r}^{(0)} = c_1(\lambda_1^k x_1) + c_2(\lambda_2^k x_2) + \dots + c_n(\lambda_n^k x_n)$$

$$\blacksquare \quad \mathbf{M}^k \mathbf{r}^{(0)} = \lambda_1^k \left[c_1 x_1 + c_2 \left(\frac{\lambda_2}{\lambda_1} \right)^k x_2 + \dots + c_n \left(\frac{\lambda_2}{\lambda_1} \right)^k x_n \right]$$

■ Since $\lambda_1 > \lambda_2$ then fractions $\frac{\lambda_2}{\lambda_1}, \frac{\lambda_3}{\lambda_1} \dots < 1$

and so $\left(\frac{\lambda_i}{\lambda_1} \right)^k = 0$ as $k \rightarrow \infty$ (for all $i = 2 \dots n$).

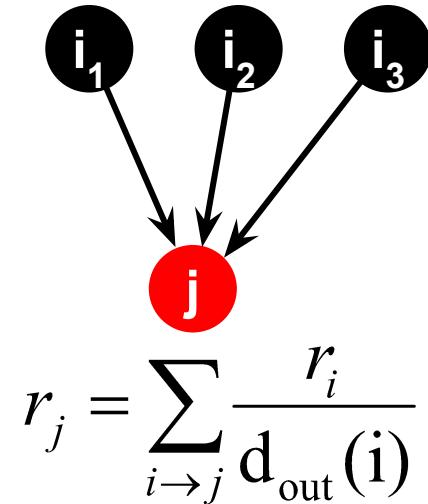
■ **Thus:** $\mathbf{M}^k \mathbf{r}^{(0)} \approx c_1(\lambda_1^k x_1)$

■ Note if $c_1 = 0$ then the method won't converge

Random Walk Interpretation

Imagine a random web surfer:

- At any time t , surfer is on some page i
- At time $t + 1$, the surfer follows an out-link from i uniformly at random
- Ends up on some page j linked from i
- Process repeats indefinitely



Let:

- $p(t)$... vector whose i^{th} coordinate is the prob. that the surfer is at page i at time t
- So, $p(t)$ is a probability distribution over pages

The Stationary Distribution

■ Where is the surfer at time $t+1$?

- Follows a link uniformly at random

$$p(t+1) = M \cdot p(t)$$

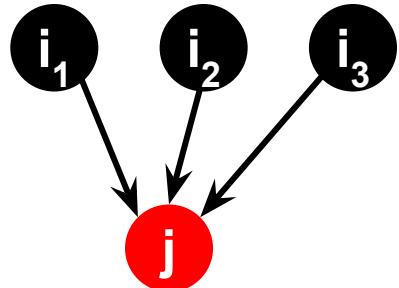
- Suppose the random walk reaches a state

$$p(t+1) = M \cdot p(t) = p(t)$$

then $p(t)$ is **stationary distribution** of a random walk

- Our original rank vector r satisfies $r = M \cdot r$**

- So, r is a stationary distribution for the random walk**



$$p(t+1) = M \cdot p(t)$$

Existence and Uniqueness

- A central result from the theory of random walks (a.k.a. Markov processes):

For graphs that satisfy **certain conditions**,
the **stationary distribution is unique** and
eventually will be reached no matter what the
initial probability distribution at time $t = 0$

PageRank: The Google Formulation

PageRank: Three Questions

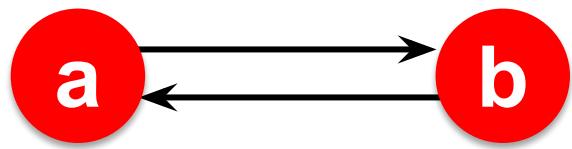
$$r_j^{(t+1)} = \sum_{i \rightarrow j} \frac{r_i^{(t)}}{d_i}$$

or
equivalently

$$r = Mr$$

- Does this converge?
- Does it converge to what we want?
- Are results reasonable?

Does this converge?



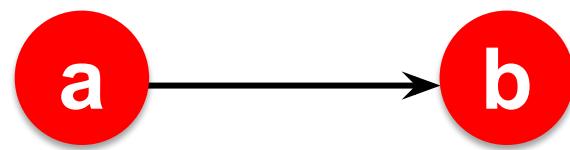
$$r_j^{(t+1)} = \sum_{i \rightarrow j} \frac{r_i^{(t)}}{d_i}$$

■ Example:

$$\begin{matrix} r_a \\ r_b \end{matrix} = \begin{matrix} 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \end{matrix}$$

Iteration 0, 1, 2, ...

Does it converge to what we want?



$$r_j^{(t+1)} = \sum_{i \rightarrow j} \frac{r_i^{(t)}}{d_i}$$

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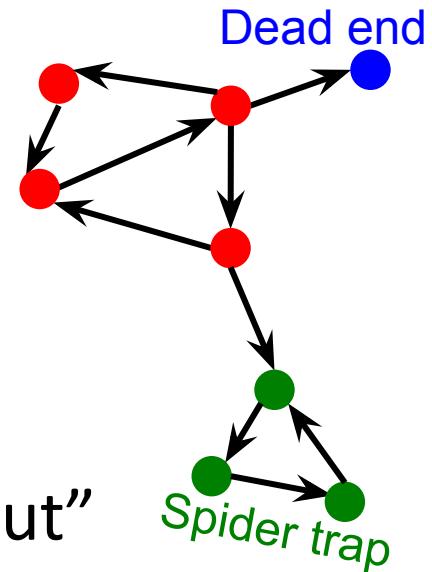
Iteration 0, 1, 2, ...

PageRank: Problems

2 problems:

- (1) Some pages are **dead ends** (have no out-links)
 - Random walk has “nowhere” to go to
 - Such pages cause importance to “leak out”

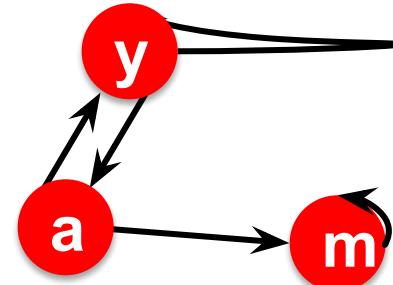
- (2) **Spider traps:**
(all out-links are within the group)
 - Random walked gets “stuck” in a trap
 - And eventually spider traps absorb all importance



Problem: Spider Traps

■ Power Iteration:

- Set $r_j = 1$
- $r_j = \sum_{i \rightarrow j} \frac{r_i}{d_i}$
- And iterate



m is a spider trap

	y	a	m
y	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	0
a	$\frac{1}{2}$	0	0
m	0	$\frac{1}{2}$	1

$$r_y = r_y/2 + r_a/2$$

$$r_a = r_y/2$$

$$r_m = r_a/2 + r_m$$

■ Example:

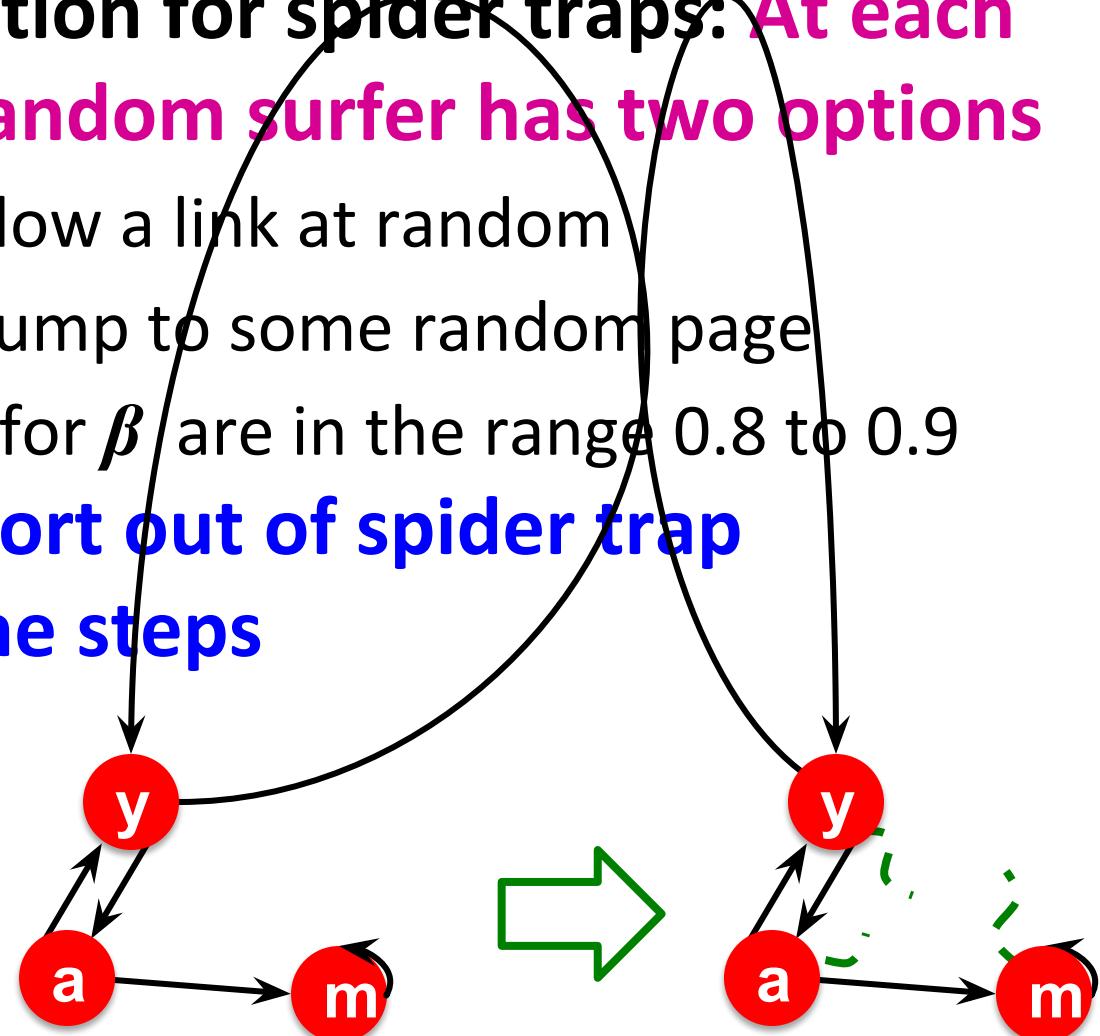
$$\begin{bmatrix} r_y \\ r_a \\ r_m \end{bmatrix} = \begin{matrix} 1/3 & 2/6 & 3/12 & 5/24 & 0 \\ 1/3 & 1/6 & 2/12 & 3/24 & \dots & 0 \\ 1/3 & 3/6 & 7/12 & 16/24 & & 1 \end{matrix}$$

Iteration 0, 1, 2, ...

All the PageRank score gets “trapped” in node m.

Solution: Teleports!

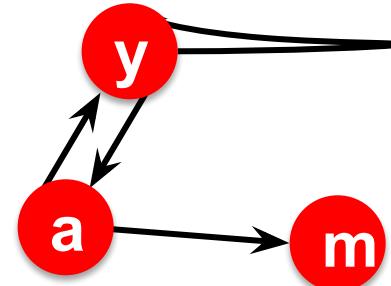
- The Google solution for spider traps: At each time step, the random surfer has two options
 - With prob. β , follow a link at random
 - With prob. $1-\beta$, jump to some random page
 - Common values for β are in the range 0.8 to 0.9
- Surfer will teleport out of spider trap within a few time steps



Problem: Dead Ends

■ Power Iteration:

- Set $r_j = 1$
- $r_j = \sum_{i \rightarrow j} \frac{r_i}{d_i}$
- And iterate



	y	a	m
y	1/2	1/2	0
a	1/2	0	0
m	0	1/2	0

$$r_y = r_y/2 + r_a/2$$

$$r_a = r_y/2$$

$$r_m = r_a/2$$

■ Example:

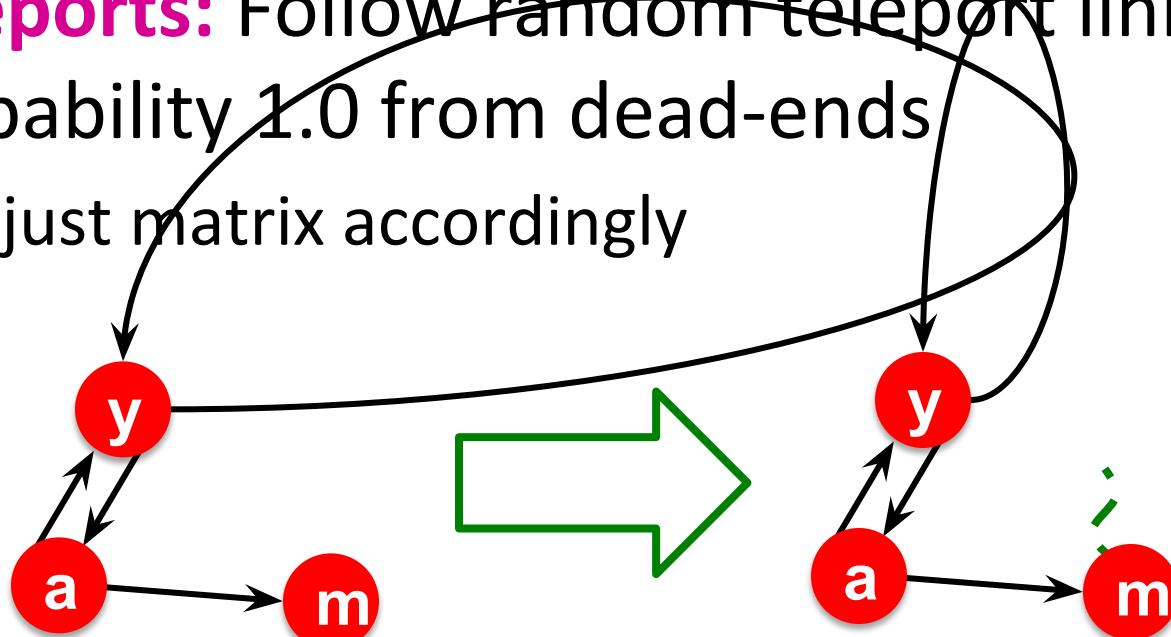
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Iteration 0, 1, 2, ...

Here the PageRank “leaks” out since the matrix is not stochastic.

Solution: Always Teleport!

- **Teleports:** Follow random teleport links with probability 1.0 from dead-ends
 - Adjust matrix accordingly



	y	a	m
y	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	0
a	$\frac{1}{2}$	0	0
m	0	$\frac{1}{2}$	0

	y	a	m
y	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{3}$
a	$\frac{1}{2}$	0	$\frac{1}{3}$
m	0	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{3}$

Why Teleports Solve the Problem?

Why are dead-ends and spider traps a problem and why do teleports solve the problem?

- **Spider-traps** are not a problem, but with traps PageRank scores are **not** what we want
 - **Solution:** Never get stuck in a spider trap by teleporting out of it in a finite number of steps
- **Dead-ends** are a problem
 - The matrix is not column stochastic so our initial assumptions are not met
 - **Solution:** Make matrix column stochastic by always teleporting when there is nowhere else to go

Solution: Random Teleports

■ Google's solution that does it all:

At each step, random surfer has two options:

- With probability β , follow a link at random
- With probability $1-\beta$, jump to some random page

■ PageRank equation [Brin-Page, 98]

$$r_j = \sum_{i \rightarrow j} \beta \frac{r_i}{d_i} + (1 - \beta) \frac{1}{N}$$

d_i ... out-degree
of node i

This formulation assumes that M has no dead ends. We can either preprocess matrix M to remove all dead ends or explicitly follow random teleport links with probability 1.0 from dead-ends.

The Google Matrix

- **PageRank equation** [Brin-Page, '98]

$$r_j = \sum_{i \rightarrow j} \beta \frac{r_i}{d_i} + (1 - \beta) \frac{1}{N}$$

- **The Google Matrix A:**

$[1/N]_{N \times N}$...N by N matrix
where all entries are 1/N

$$A = \beta M + (1 - \beta) \left[\frac{1}{N} \right]_{N \times N}$$

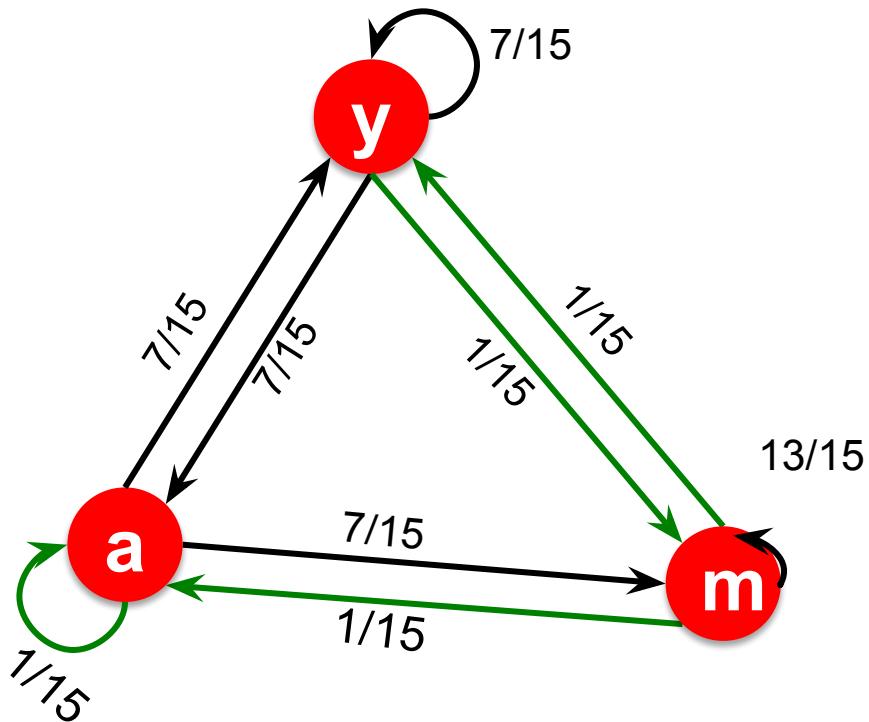
- **We have a recursive problem:** $r = A \cdot r$

And the Power method still works!

- **What is β ?**

- In practice $\beta = 0.8, 0.9$ (make 5 steps on avg., jump)

Random Teleports ($\beta = 0.8$)



$$\begin{array}{c}
 M \\
 \begin{matrix} 0.8 & \boxed{\begin{matrix} 1/2 & 1/2 & 0 \\ 1/2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1/2 & 1 \end{matrix}} & + 0.2 & \boxed{\begin{matrix} 1/3 & 1/3 & 1/3 \\ 1/3 & 1/3 & 1/3 \\ 1/3 & 1/3 & 1/3 \end{matrix}} \\
 \text{[1/N]_{NxN}} \\
 A \\
 \begin{matrix} y & \boxed{\begin{matrix} 7/15 & 7/15 & 1/15 \\ 7/15 & 1/15 & 1/15 \\ 1/15 & 7/15 & 13/15 \end{matrix}} \\
 a & \\
 m & \end{matrix}
 \end{array}$$

y	1/3	0.33	0.24	0.26		7/33
a	=	1/3	0.20	0.20	0.18	...
m		1/3	0.46	0.52	0.56	21/33

**How do we actually compute
the PageRank?**

Computing Page Rank

■ Key step is matrix-vector multiplication

$$\blacksquare \quad r^{\text{new}} = A \cdot r^{\text{old}}$$

■ Easy if we have enough main memory to hold A , r^{old} , r^{new}

■ Say $N = 1$ billion pages

- We need 4 bytes for each entry (say)

- 2 billion entries for vectors, approx 8GB

- Matrix A has N^2 entries
 - 10^{18} is a large number!

$$A = \beta \cdot M + (1-\beta) [1/N]_{N \times N}$$

$$A = 0.8 \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} & 0 \\ \frac{1}{2} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{1}{2} & 1 \end{bmatrix} + 0.2 \begin{bmatrix} 1/3 & 1/3 & 1/3 \\ 1/3 & 1/3 & 1/3 \\ 1/3 & 1/3 & 1/3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 7/15 & 7/15 & 1/15 \\ 7/15 & 1/15 & 1/15 \\ 1/15 & 7/15 & 13/15 \end{bmatrix}$$

Matrix Formulation

- Suppose there are N pages
- Consider page i , with d_i out-links
- We have $M_{ji} = 1/|d_i|$ when $i \rightarrow j$
and $M_{ji} = 0$ otherwise
- **The random teleport is equivalent to:**
 - Adding a **teleport link** from i to every other page and setting transition probability to $(1-\beta)/N$
 - Reducing the probability of following each out-link from $1/|d_i|$ to $\beta/|d_i|$
 - **Equivalent:** Tax each page a fraction $(1-\beta)$ of its score and redistribute evenly

Rearranging the Equation

- $\mathbf{r} = \mathbf{A} \cdot \mathbf{r}$, where $A_{ji} = \beta M_{ji} + \frac{1-\beta}{N}$
- $r_j = \sum_{i=1}^N A_{ji} \cdot r_i$
- $$\begin{aligned} r_j &= \sum_{i=1}^N \left[\beta M_{ji} + \frac{1-\beta}{N} \right] \cdot r_i \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^N \beta M_{ji} \cdot r_i + \frac{1-\beta}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N r_i \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^N \beta M_{ji} \cdot r_i + \frac{1-\beta}{N} \end{aligned}$$
 since $\sum r_i = 1$
- So we get: $\mathbf{r} = \beta \mathbf{M} \cdot \mathbf{r} + \left[\frac{1-\beta}{N} \right]_N$

Note: Here we assumed \mathbf{M} has no dead-ends

$[x]_N$... a vector of length N with all entries x

Sparse Matrix Formulation

- We just rearranged the **PageRank equation**

$$\mathbf{r} = \beta \mathbf{M} \cdot \mathbf{r} + \left[\frac{1 - \beta}{N} \right]_N$$

- where $\left[(1-\beta)/N \right]_N$ is a vector with all N entries $(1-\beta)/N$
- \mathbf{M} is a **sparse matrix!** (with no dead-ends)
 - 10 links per node, approx $10N$ entries
- So in each iteration, we need to:
 - Compute $\mathbf{r}^{\text{new}} = \beta \mathbf{M} \cdot \mathbf{r}^{\text{old}}$
 - Add a constant value $(1-\beta)/N$ to each entry in \mathbf{r}^{new}
 - Note if \mathbf{M} contains dead-ends then $\sum_j r_j^{\text{new}} < 1$ and we also have to renormalize \mathbf{r}^{new} so that it sums to 1**

PageRank: The Complete Algorithm

■ Input: Graph G and parameter β

- Directed graph G (can have **spider traps** and **dead ends**)
- Parameter β

■ Output: PageRank vector r^{new}

- **Set:** $r_j^{old} = \frac{1}{N}$
- **repeat until convergence:** $\sum_j |r_j^{new} - r_j^{old}| > \varepsilon$
 - $\forall j: r_j'^{new} = \sum_{i \rightarrow j} \beta \frac{r_i^{old}}{d_i}$
 $r_j'^{new} = \mathbf{0}$ if in-degree of j is 0
 - **Now re-insert the leaked PageRank:**
 $\forall j: r_j^{new} = r_j'^{new} + \frac{1-\beta}{N}$ **where:** $S = \sum_j r_j'^{new}$
 - $r^{old} = r^{new}$

If the graph has no dead-ends then the amount of leaked PageRank is $1-\beta$. But since we have dead-ends the amount of leaked PageRank may be larger. We have to explicitly account for it by computing S .

Sparse Matrix Encoding

■ Encode sparse matrix using only nonzero entries

- Space proportional roughly to number of links
- Say $10N$, or $4*10^9$ billion = 40GB
- **Still won't fit in memory, but will fit on disk**

source node	degree	destination nodes
0	3	1, 5, 7
1	5	17, 64, 113, 117, 245
2	2	13, 23

Basic Algorithm: Update Step

- Assume enough RAM to fit r^{new} into memory
 - Store r^{old} and matrix \mathbf{M} on disk
- 1 step of power-iteration is:

Initialize all entries of $r^{new} = (1-\beta) / N$

For each page i (of out-degree d_i):

Read into memory: $i, d_i, \text{dest}_1, \dots, \text{dest}_{d_i}, r^{old}(i)$

For $j = 1 \dots d_i$

$r^{new}(\text{dest}_j) += \beta r^{old}(i) / d_i$

0	
1	
2	
3	
4	
5	
6	

r^{new}

	source	degree	destination
0	0	3	1, 5, 6
1	1	4	17, 64, 113, 117
2	2	2	13, 23

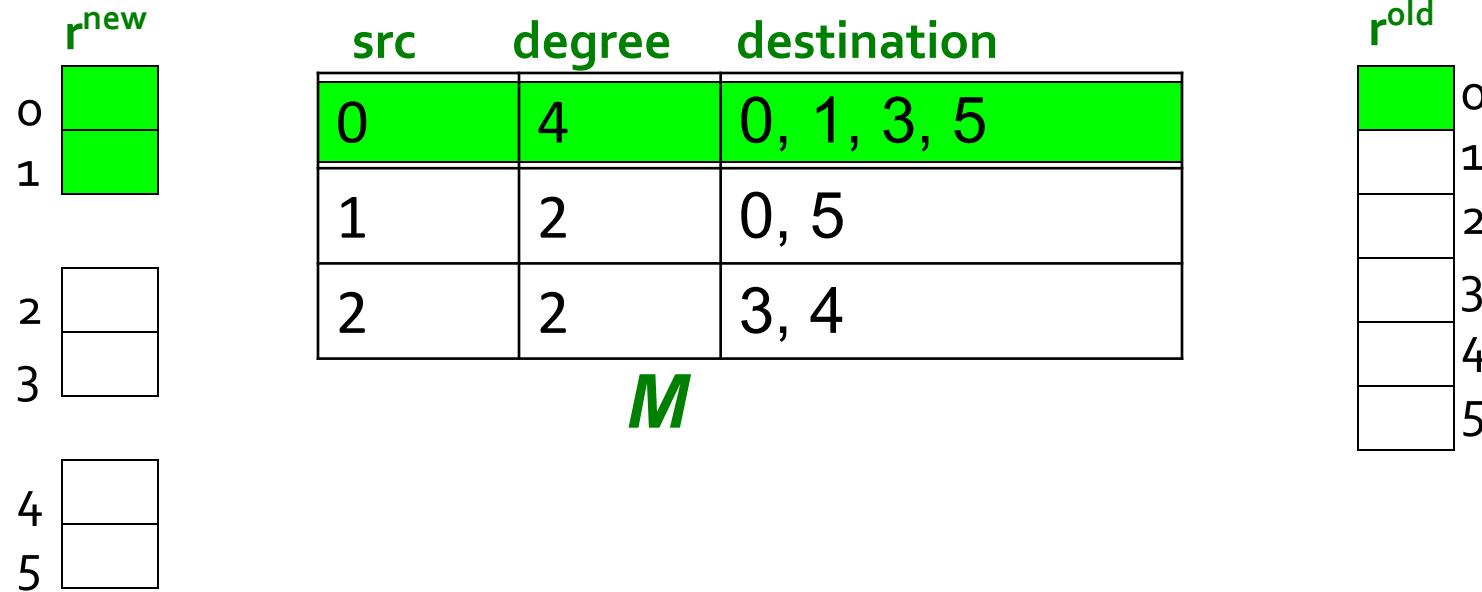
r^{old}

0
1
2
3
4
5
6

Analysis

- Assume enough RAM to fit r^{new} into memory
 - Store r^{old} and matrix M on disk
- In each iteration, we have to:
 - Read r^{old} and M
 - Write r^{new} back to disk
 - Cost per iteration of Power method:
$$= 2|r| + |M|$$
- Question:
 - What if we could not even fit r^{new} in memory?

Block-based Update Algorithm



- Break r^{new} into k blocks that fit in memory
- Scan M and r^{old} once for each block

Analysis of Block Update

■ Similar to nested-loop join in databases

- Break r^{new} into k blocks that fit in memory
- Scan M and r^{old} once for each block

■ Total cost:

- k scans of M and r^{old}
- Cost per iteration of Power method:
$$k(|M| + |r|) + |r| = k|M| + (k+1)|r|$$

■ Can we do better?

- Hint: M is much bigger than r (approx 10-20x), so we must avoid reading it k times per iteration

Block-Stripe Update Algorithm

	src	degree	destination
r^{new} 0 1	0	4	0, 1
	1	3	0
	2	2	1

2 3	0	4	3
	2	2	3

4 5	0	4	5
	1	3	5
	2	2	4

Break M into stripes! Each stripe contains only destination nodes in the corresponding block of r^{new}

Block-Stripe Analysis

- Break M into stripes
 - Each stripe contains only destination nodes in the corresponding block of r^{new}
- Some additional overhead per stripe
 - But it is usually worth it
- Cost per iteration of Power method:
 $= |M|(1+\varepsilon) + (k+1)|r|$

Some Problems with Page Rank

- **Measures generic popularity of a page**
 - Biased against topic-specific authorities
 - **Solution:** Topic-Specific PageRank (**next**)
- **Uses a single measure of importance**
 - Other models of importance
 - **Solution:** Hubs-and-Authorities
- **Susceptible to Link spam**
 - Artificial link topographies created in order to boost page rank
 - **Solution:** TrustRank