



# Приложение марковских цепей: алгоритм PageRank



Google Search

I'm Feeling Lucky

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# Sergey Brin and Lawrence Page:

## The Anatomy of a Large-Scale Hypertextual Web Search Engine (1998)



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## Recent News

- There are some news about that PageRank will be canceled by Google.
- There are large numbers of Search Engine Optimization (SEO).
- SEO use different trick methods to make a web page more important under the rating of PageRank.

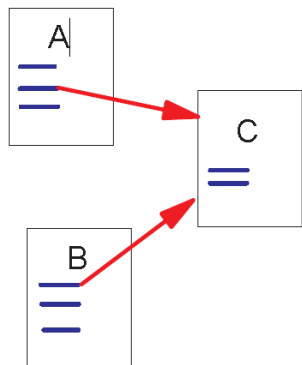


# PageRank algorithm

- Given webpages numbered  $1, \dots, n$ . The PageRank of webpage  $i$  is based on its linking webpages (webpages  $j$  that link to  $i$ ), but we don't just count the number of linking webpages, i.e., don't want to treat all linking webpages equally
- Instead, we weight the links from different webpages:
  - Webpages that link to  $i$ , and have high PageRank scores themselves, should be given more weight
  - Webpages that link to  $i$ , but link to a lot of other webpages in general, should be given less weight

# Link Structure of the Web

- 150 million web pages → 1.7 billion links



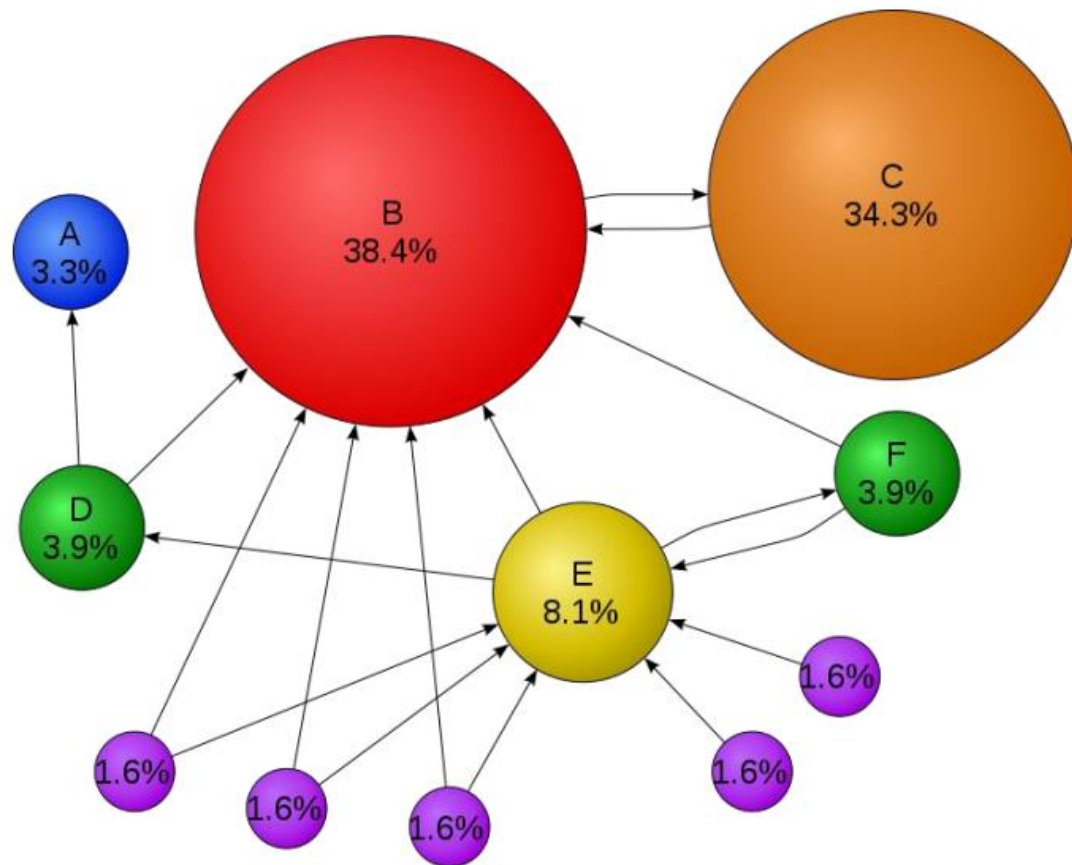
Backlinks and Forward links:

- A and B are C's backlinks
- C is A and B's forward link

Intuitively, a webpage is important if it has a lot of backlinks.

What if a webpage has only one link off [www.yahoo.com](http://www.yahoo.com)?

## PageRanks for a simple network



# BrokenRank (almost PageRank) definition

Let  $L_{ij} = 1$  if webpage  $j$  links to webpage  $i$  (written  $j \rightarrow i$ ),  
and  $L_{ij} = 0$  otherwise

Also let  $m_j = \sum_{k=1}^n L_{kj}$ , the total number of webpages that  $j$  links to

First we define something that's almost PageRank, but not quite, because it's broken. The BrokenRank  $p_i$  of webpage  $i$  is

$$p_i = \sum_{j \rightarrow i} \frac{p_j}{m_j} = \sum_{j=1}^n L_{ij} \frac{p_j}{m_j},$$

Does this match our ideas from the last slide? Yes: for  $j \rightarrow i$ , the weight is

$\frac{p_j}{m_j}$  — this increases with  $p_j$ , but decreases with  $m_j$



## BrokenRank in matrix notation

$$p = \begin{pmatrix} p_1 \\ p_2 \\ \vdots \\ p_n \end{pmatrix}, \quad L = \begin{pmatrix} L_{11} & L_{12} & \dots & L_{1n} \\ L_{21} & L_{22} & \dots & L_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ L_{n1} & L_{n2} & \dots & L_{nn} \end{pmatrix},$$

$$M = \begin{pmatrix} m_1 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & m_2 & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & m_n \end{pmatrix}$$

Now re-express definition on the previous page: the **BrokenRank vector**  $p$  is defined as  $p = LM^{-1}p$

## BrokenRank as a Markov chain

Think of a **Markov Chain** as a random process that moves between states numbered  $1, \dots, n$  (each step of the process is one move). Recall that for a Markov chain to have an  $n \times n$  transition matrix  $P$ , this means  $P(\text{go from } i \text{ to } j) = P_{ij}$

Suppose  $p^{(0)}$  is an  $n$ -dimensional vector giving initial probabilities. After one step,  $p^{(1)} = P^T p^{(0)}$  gives probabilities of being in each state (why?)

Now consider a Markov chain, with the states as webpages, and with **transition matrix**  $A^T$ . Note that  $(A^T)_{ij} = A_{ji} = L_{ji}/m_i$ , so we can describe the chain as

$$P(\text{go from } i \text{ to } j) = \begin{cases} 1/m_i & \text{if } i \rightarrow j \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

## Stationary distribution

A **stationary distribution** of our Markov chain is a probability vector  $p$  (i.e., its entries are  $\geq 0$  and sum to 1) with  $p = Ap$

If the Markov chain is **strongly connected**, meaning that any state can be reached from any other state, then stationary distribution  $p$  exists and is **unique**. Furthermore, we can think of the stationary distribution as the of proportions of visits the chain pays to each state after a very long time (the ergodic theorem):

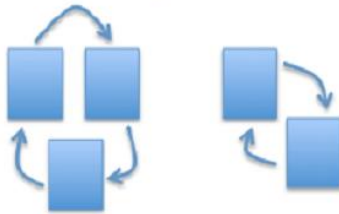
$$p_i = \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\# \text{ of visits to state } i \text{ in } t \text{ steps}}{t}$$

**Our interpretation:** the BrokenRank of  $p_i$  is the proportion of time our random surfer spends on webpage  $i$  if we let him go forever

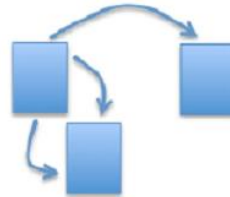
## Why is BrokenRank broken?

There's a **problem** here. Our Markov chain—a random surfer on the web graph—is not strongly connected, in **three** cases (at least):

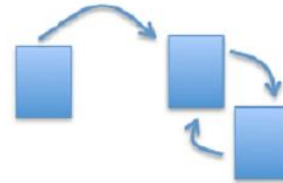
Disconnected components



Dangling links

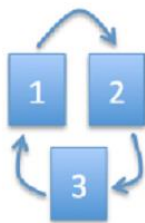


Loops



Actually, even for Markov chains that are not strongly connected, a stationary distribution always exists, but may **nonunique**

## BrokenRank example



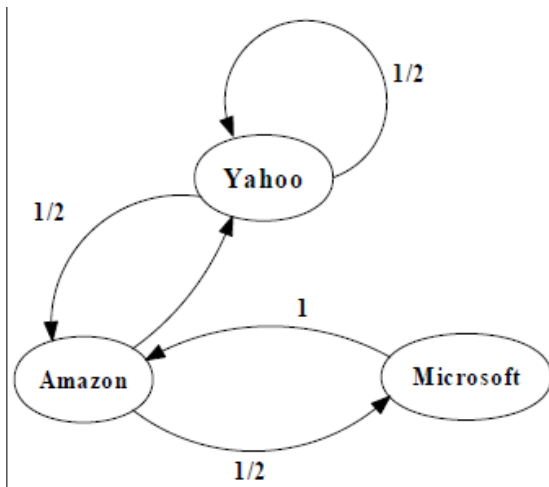
Here  $A = LM^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$

Here there are two eigenvectors of  $A$  with eigenvalue 1:

$$p = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{3} \\ \frac{1}{3} \\ \frac{1}{3} \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad p = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{1}{2} \end{pmatrix}$$

These are totally **opposite rankings!**

# An example of Simplified PageRank



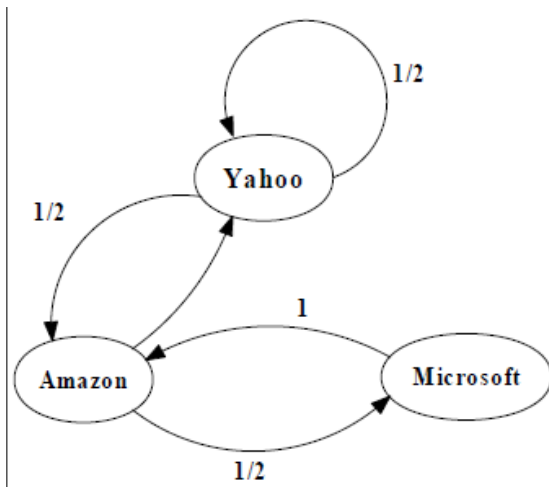
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$$\begin{bmatrix} 1/3 \\ 1/2 \\ 1/6 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1/2 & 1/2 & 0 \\ 1/2 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1/2 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1/3 \\ 1/3 \\ 1/3 \end{bmatrix}$$

PageRank Calculation: first iteration

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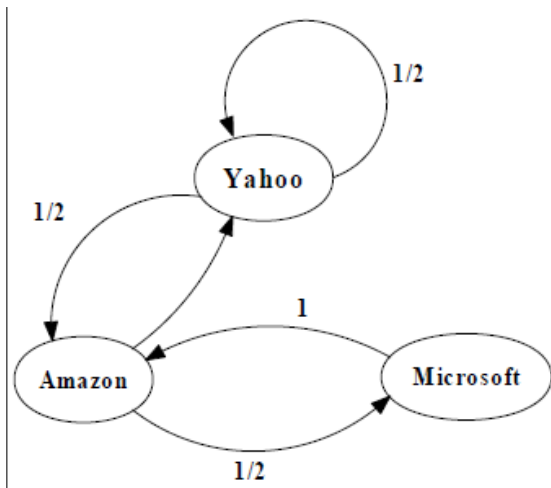
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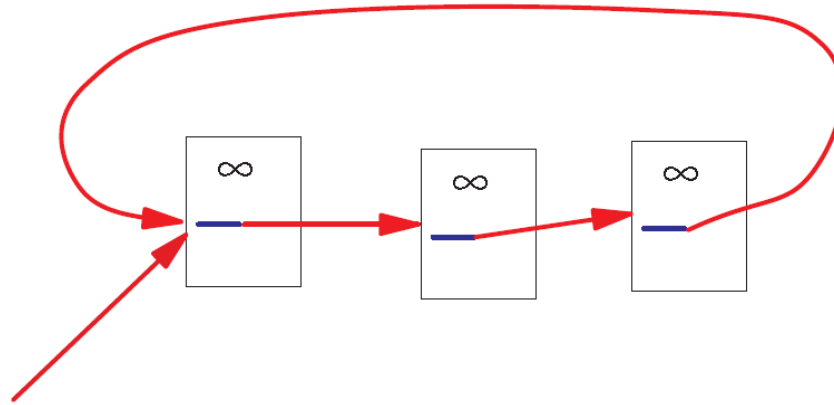
$$\begin{bmatrix} 3/8 \\ 11/24 \\ 1/6 \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{bmatrix} 5/12 \\ 17/48 \\ 11/48 \end{bmatrix} \quad \dots \quad \begin{bmatrix} 2/5 \\ 2/5 \\ 1/5 \end{bmatrix}$$

Convergence after some iterations



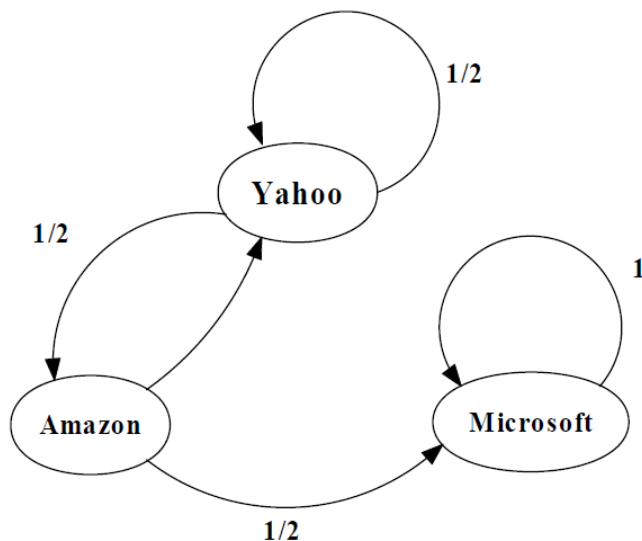
# A Problem with Simplified PageRank

A loop:



During each iteration, the loop accumulates rank but never distributes rank to other pages!

# An example of the Problem

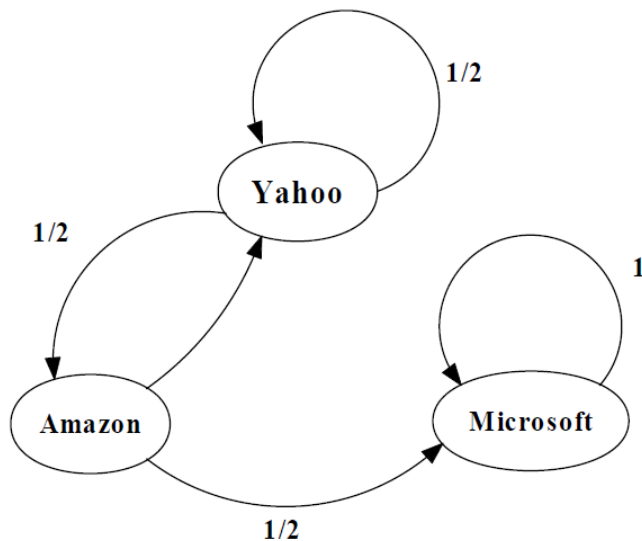


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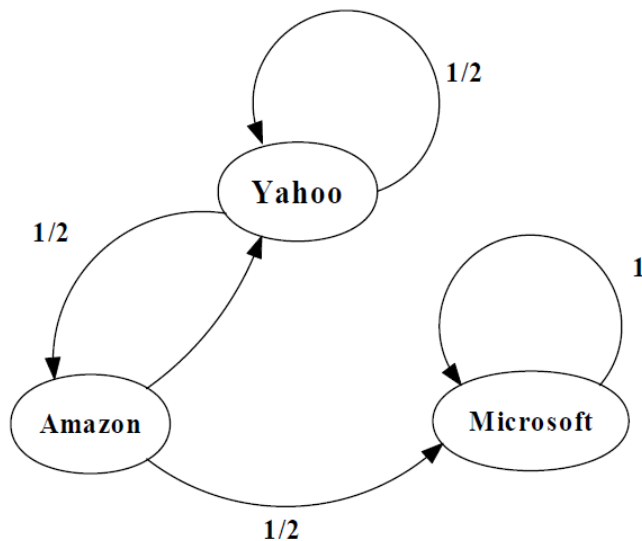


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$$\begin{bmatrix} 5/24 \\ 1/8 \\ 2/3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1/6 \\ 5/48 \\ 35/48 \end{bmatrix} \dots \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$



# Random Walks in Graphs

- The Random Surfer Model
  - The simplified model: the standing probability distribution of a random walk on the graph of the web. simply keeps clicking successive links at random
- The Modified Model
  - The modified model: the “random surfer” simply keeps clicking successive links at random, but periodically “gets bored” and jumps to a random page based on the distribution of  $E$



# Modified Version of PageRank

$$R'(u) = c_1 \sum_{v \in B_u} \frac{R'(v)}{N_v} + c_2 E(u)$$

$E(u)$ : a distribution of ranks of web pages that “users” jump to when they “gets bored” after successive links at random.

## PageRank definition

PageRank is given by a small modification of BrokenRank:

$$p_i = \frac{1-d}{n} + d \sum_{j=1}^n \frac{L_{ij}}{m_j} p_j,$$

where  $0 < d < 1$  is a constant (apparently Google uses  $d = 0.85$ )

In matrix notation, this is

$$p = \left( \frac{1-d}{n} E + d L M^{-1} \right) p,$$

where  $E$  is the  $n \times n$  matrix of 1s, subject to the constraint  $\sum_{i=1}^n p_i = 1$

## PageRank as a Markov chain

Let  $A = \frac{1-d}{n}E + dLM^{-1}$ , and consider as before a Markov chain with **transition matrix**  $A^T$

Well  $(A^T)_{ij} = A_{ji} = (1-d)/n + dL_{ji}/m_i$ , so the chain can be described as

$$P(\text{go from } i \text{ to } j) = \begin{cases} (1-d)/n + d/m_i & \text{if } i \rightarrow j \\ (1-d)/n & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Hence this is like a **random surfer** with **random jumps**. Fortunately, the random jumps get rid of our problems: our Markov chain is now strongly connected. Therefore the stationary distribution (i.e., PageRank vector)  $p$  is **unique**



## PageRank example

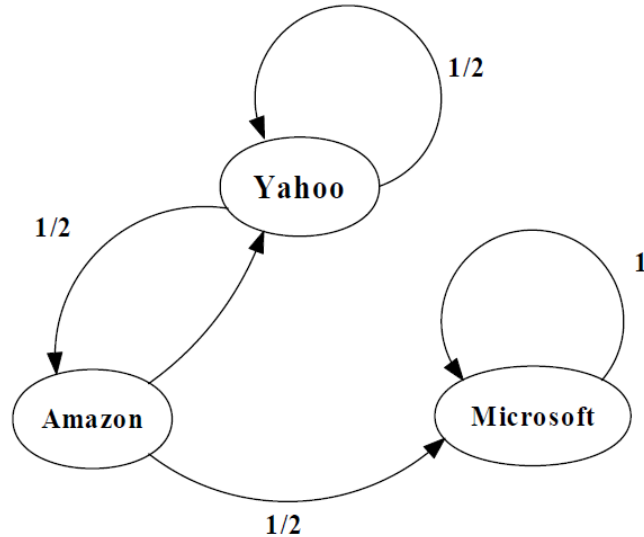


With  $d = 0.85$ ,  $A = \frac{1-d}{n}E + dLM^{-1}$

$$= \frac{0.15}{5} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} + 0.85 \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0.03 & 0.03 & 0.88 & 0.03 & 0.03 \\ 0.88 & 0.03 & 0.03 & 0.03 & 0.03 \\ 0.03 & 0.88 & 0.03 & 0.03 & 0.03 \\ 0.03 & 0.03 & 0.03 & 0.03 & 0.88 \\ 0.03 & 0.03 & 0.03 & 0.88 & 0.03 \end{pmatrix}$$

Now **only one** eigenvector of  $A$  with eigenvalue 1:  $p = \begin{pmatrix} 0.2 \\ 0.2 \\ 0.2 \\ 0.2 \\ 0.2 \end{pmatrix}$

# An example of Modified PageRank



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$$C_1 = 0.8 \quad C_2 = 0.2$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0.333 \\ 0.333 \\ 0.333 \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{bmatrix} 0.333 \\ 0.200 \\ 0.467 \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{bmatrix} 0.280 \\ 0.200 \\ 0.520 \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{bmatrix} 0.259 \\ 0.179 \\ 0.563 \end{bmatrix} \quad \dots \quad \begin{bmatrix} 7/33 \\ 5/33 \\ 21/33 \end{bmatrix}$$

## Computing the PageRank vector

Computing the PageRank vector  $p$  via traditional methods, i.e., an eigendecomposition, takes roughly  $n^3$  operations. When  $n = 10^{10}$ ,  $n^3 = 10^{30}$ .

Fortunately, **much faster** way to compute the eigenvector of  $A$  with eigenvalue 1: begin with **any initial distribution**  $p^{(0)}$ , and compute

$$p^{(1)} = Ap^{(0)}$$

$$p^{(2)} = Ap^{(1)}$$

$$\vdots$$

$$p^{(t)} = Ap^{(t-1)},$$

## Computing the PageRank vector

Then  $p^{(t)} \rightarrow p$  as  $t \rightarrow \infty$ . In practice, we just repeatedly multiply by  $A$  until there isn't much change between iterations

E.g., after 100 iterations, operation count:  $100n^2 \ll n^3$  for large  $n$

There are still important questions remaining about computing the PageRank vector  $p$

1. How can we perform each iteration quickly (multiply by  $A$  quickly)?
2. How many iterations does it take (generally) to get a reasonable answer?

## Computing the PageRank vector

Broadly, the answers are:

1. Use the **sparsity of web graph** (how?)
2. Not very many if  $A$  large **spectral gap** (difference between its first and second largest absolute eigenvalues); the largest is 1, the second largest is  $\leq d$

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## Link Analysis

### PageRank

PageRank analysis of graph structure.

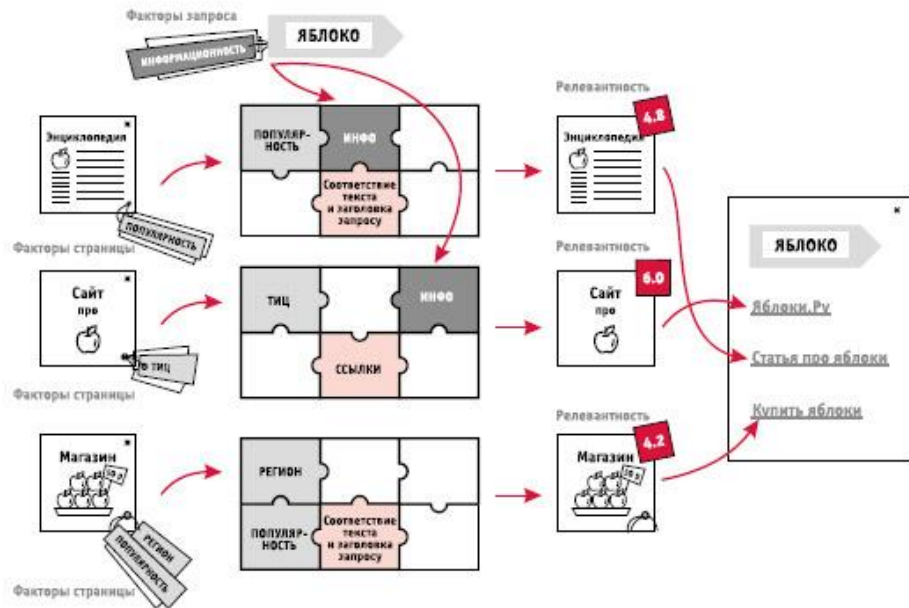
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<code>pagerank_scipy</code> ( <code>G</code> , <code>alpha</code> , <code>personalization</code> , ...)	Return the PageRank of the nodes in the graph.
<code>google_matrix</code> ( <code>G</code> , <code>alpha</code> , <code>personalization</code> , ...)	Return the Google matrix of the graph.



# Searching with PageRank

- Two search engines:
  - Title-based search engine
  - Full text search engine
- **Title-based** search engine
  - Searches only the “Titles”
  - Finds all the web pages whose titles contain all the query words
  - Sorts the results by PageRank
  - Very simple and cheap to implement
  - Title match ensures high precision, and PageRank ensures high quality
- **Full text** search engine
  - Called Google
  - Examines all the words in every stored document and also performs PageRank (Rank Merging)
  - More precise but more complicated

# Matrixnet: алгоритм Яндекс





# Задача обучения классификатора

$X$  — множество объектов;

$Y$  — множество ответов;

$y: X \rightarrow Y$  — неизвестная зависимость (target function).

**Дано:**

$\{x_1, \dots, x_\ell\} \subset X$  — обучающая выборка (training sample);

$y_i = y(x_i)$ ,  $i = 1, \dots, \ell$  — известные ответы.

**Найти:**

$a: X \rightarrow Y$  — алгоритм, решающую функцию (decision function), приближающую  $y$  на всём множестве  $X$ .

Весь курс машинного обучения — это конкретизация:

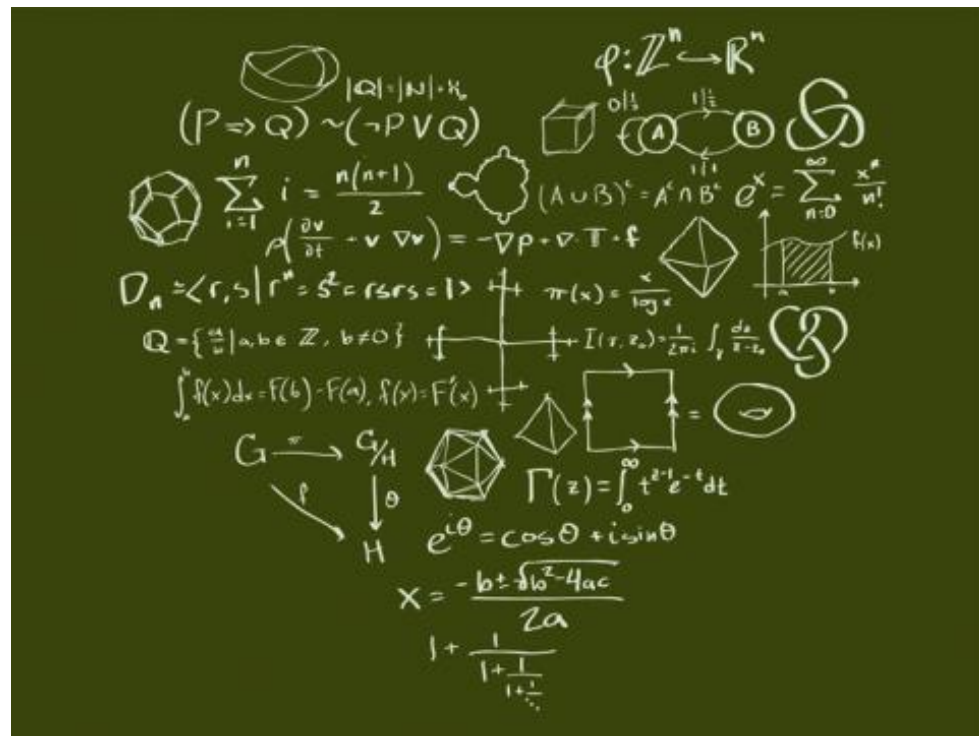
- как задаются объекты и какими могут быть ответы;
- в каком смысле « $a$  приближает  $y$ »;
- как строить функцию  $a$ .



# Обучение PageRank

$f(q,d)$  – вектор признаков, зависящий от запроса  $q$  и страницы  $d$ ;  
ответы – это ранги страниц  $d$  относительно запросов  $q$ .

Математика поможет:



Спасибо за терпение!