WRS: Waiting Room Sampling for Accurate Triangle Counting in Real Graph Streams

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1 General Information

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2 Introduction

WRS (Waiting Room Sampling) is a single-pass streaming algorithm for global and local triangle counting in real graph streams. **WRS** exploits a temporal dependency pattern in real dynamic graph streams. **WRS** has the following properties:

- fast and any time: WRS scales linearly with the number of edges in the input graph stream, and gives estimates at any time while the input graph grows
- effective: estimation error in WRS is up to 47% smaller than those in state-of-the-art methods
- theoretically sound: WRS gives unbiased estimates with small variance under the temporal locality.

Detailed information about the method is explained in the following paper

Kijung Shin, "WRS: Waiting Room Sampling for Accurate Triangle Counting in Real Graph Streams",
 IEEE International Conference on Data Mining (ICDM) 2017, New Orleans, USA

3 Installation

- This package requires that java 1.7 or greater be installed in the system and set in PATH.
- For compilation (optional), type ./compile.sh
- For packaging (optional), type ./package.sh
- For demo (optional), type make

4 Input File Format

The input file lists edges in a graph. Each line corresponds to an edge and consists of the source node id and the destination node id, which are integers separated by a tab. Extra information in each line is ignored. Additionally, we assume the followings:

- No duplicate edge. For example, both edge (1,2) and edge (2,1) cannot be in the input file at the same time.
- Edges are ordered in the increasing order of their creation time.

example_graph.txt is an example of the input file.

5 Output Files Format

Two output files are created.

- global_count.out: this file has the estimated number of global triangles.
- Local_counts.out: this file lists the estimated number of local triangles of each node. Each line
 consists of the node id and the number of its local triangle count, separated by a tab.

output directory contains the examples of the output files.

6 Running WRS

6.1 How to Run

./run.sh input_path output_path k alpha

6.2 Parameters

- input_path: path of the input file. See 4 for the detailed format of the input file
- output_path: path of the directory for output files. See 5 for the detailed format of the output files
- k: maximum number of sampled edges (an integer greater than or equal to 2)
- alpha: the relative size of the waiting room (a real number in [0,1))

7 APIs for WRS

7.1 Package: wrs

7.2 Class: WRS

7.3 Methods:

- public WRS (int k, double alpha, int random_seed)
 - create a WRS object
 - *k*: maximum number of sampled edges (an integer greater than or equal to 2)
 - alpha: the relative size of the waiting room (a real number in [0,1))
 - random_seed: an integer
- public void processEdge (int src, int dst)
 - process an edge
 - src: id of the source node
 - dst: id of the destination node
- public double getGlobalTriangle ()
 - return the estimated number of global triangles
- public it.unimi.dsi.fastutil.ints.Int2DoubleMap getLocalTriangle ()
 - return the estimated number of local triangles of each node
 - return: a map whose keys are node ids and values the estimated number of local triangle counts of the corresponding node.
- 7.4 Example Code: see Example.java for an example code using WRS.