Data and Algorithms of the Web

Link Analysis Algorithms Page Rank

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- ☐ Page Rank
- Hubs and Authorities
- ☐ Topic-Specific Page Rank
- Spam Detection Algorithms
- Other interesting topics we won't cover
 - Detecting duplicates and mirrors
 - Mining for communities

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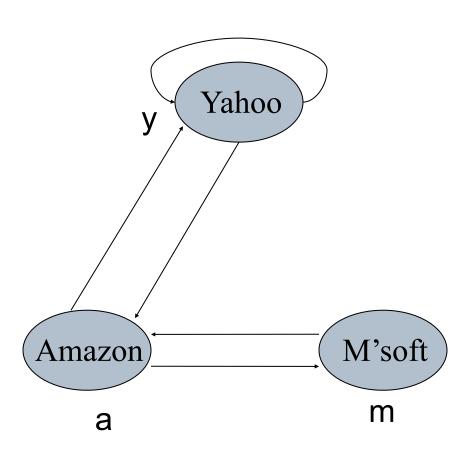
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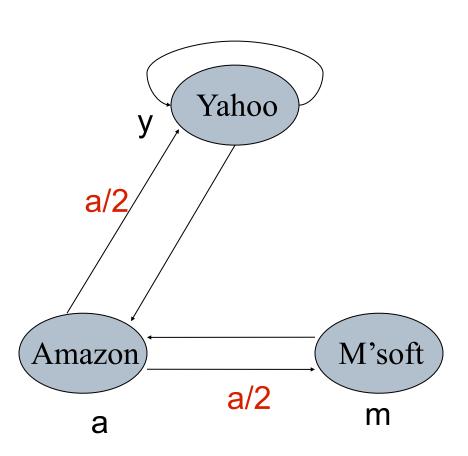
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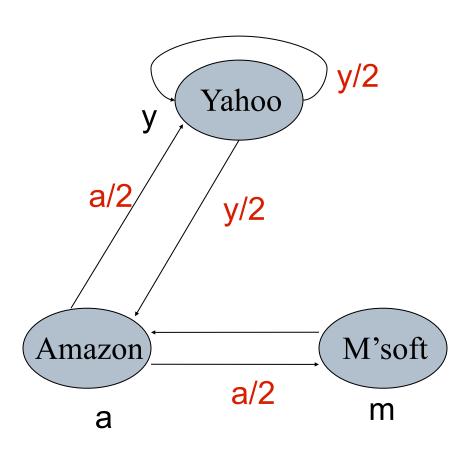
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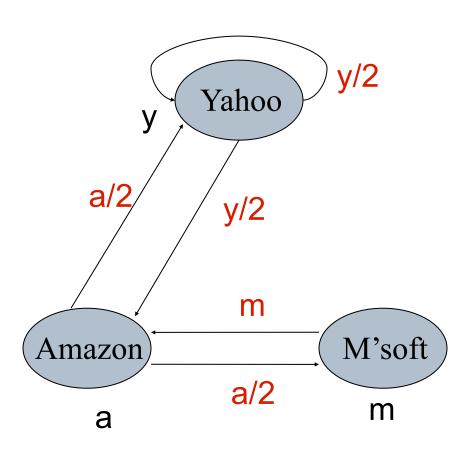
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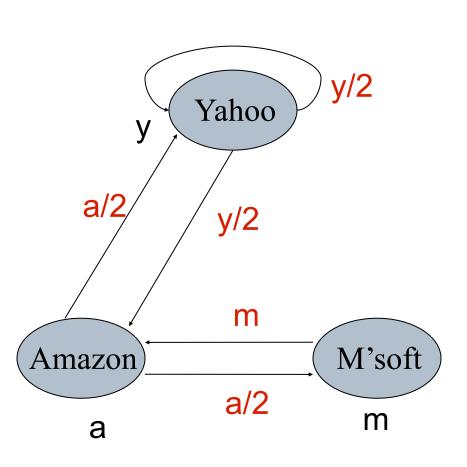
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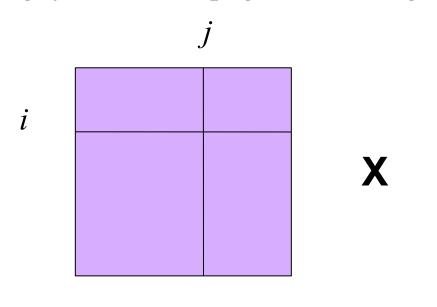
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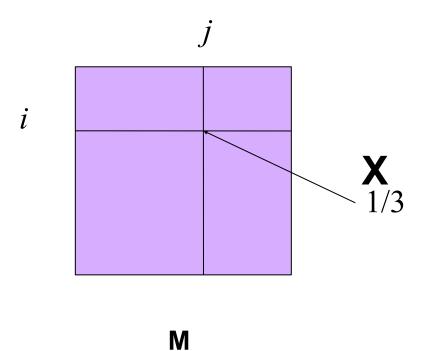
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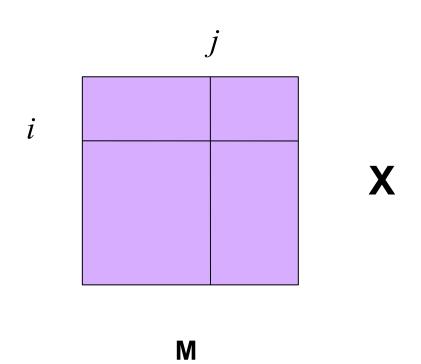
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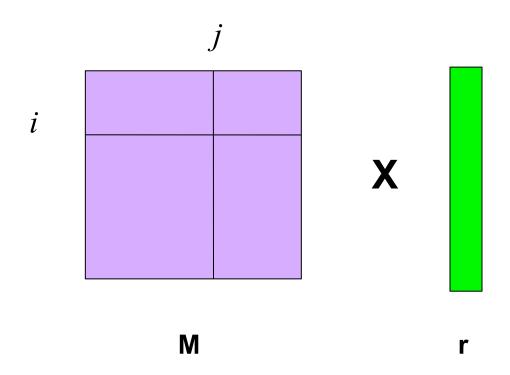


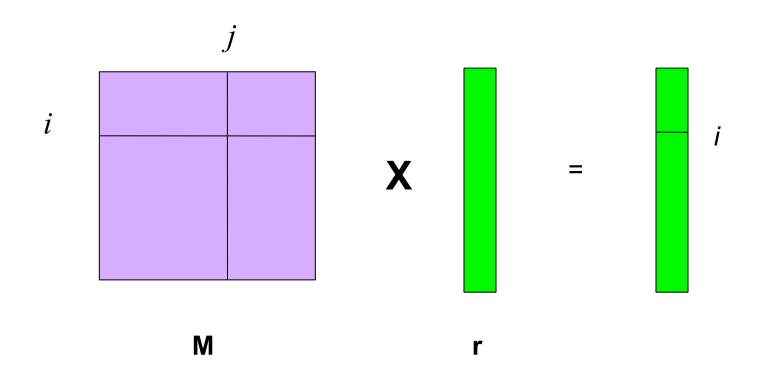
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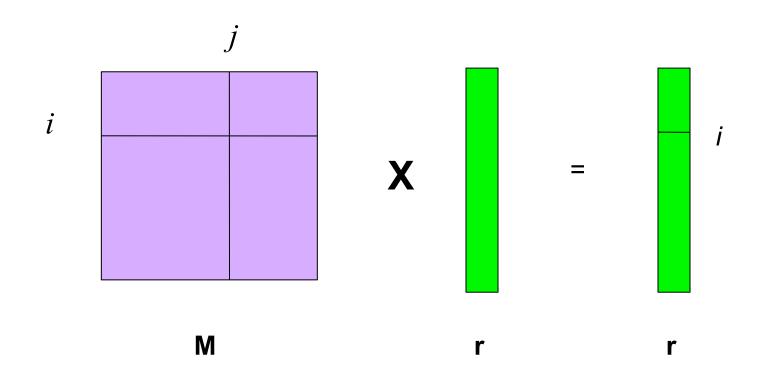
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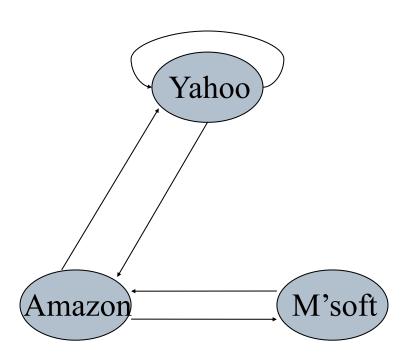


Eigenvector formulation

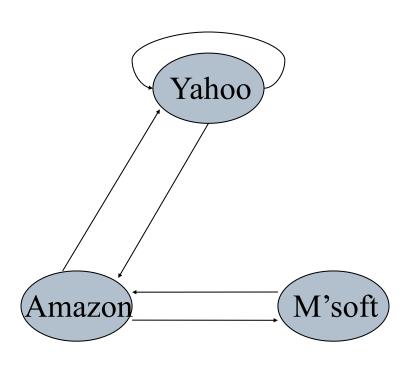
□ The system of linear eq. can be written $\mathbf{r} = \mathbf{Mr}$

- So the rank vector is an eigenvector of the stochastic web matrix
 - In fact, its first or principal eigenvector, with corresponding eigenvalue...

Definition. The vector \mathbf{x} is an eigenvector of the matrix A with eigenvalue λ (lambda) if the following equation holds: $A\mathbf{x} = \lambda \mathbf{x}$.

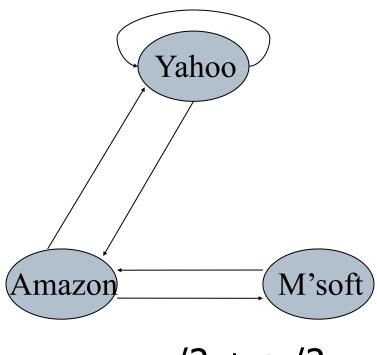


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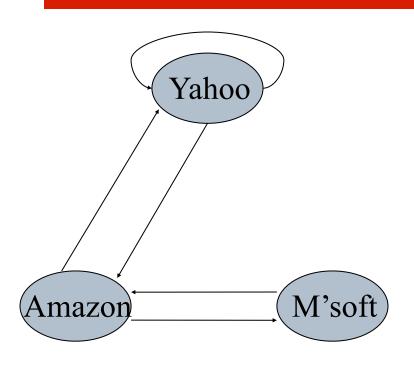
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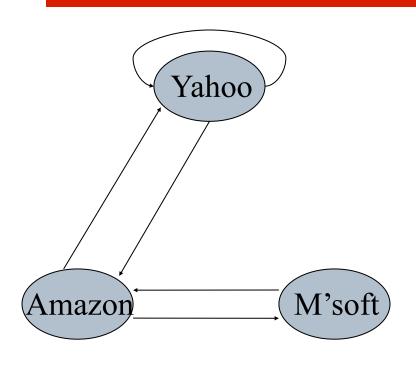
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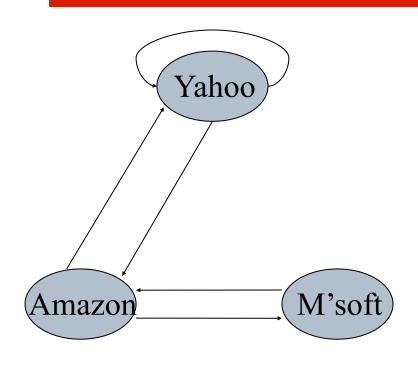
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- □ Stop when $|\mathbf{r}^{k+1} \mathbf{r}^k|_1 < \varepsilon$
 - $\|\mathbf{x}\|_1 = \sum_{1 \le i \le N} |x_i|$ is the L₁ norm
 - Can use any other vector norm e.g., Euclidean

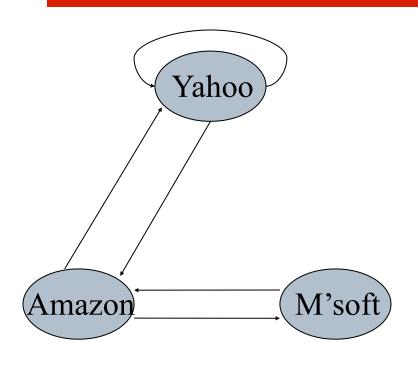


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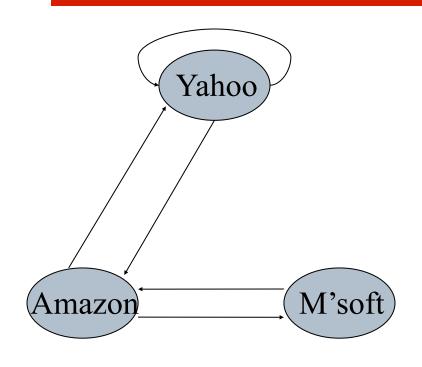




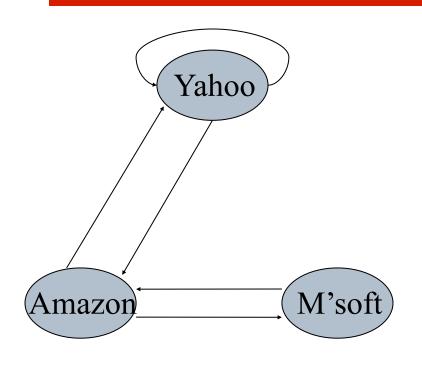
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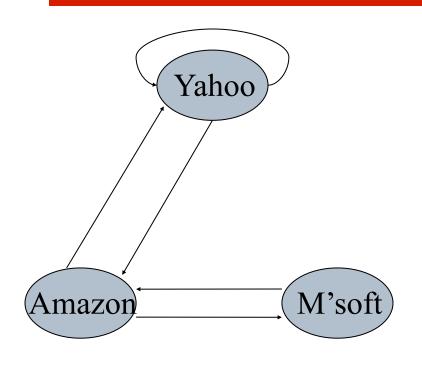
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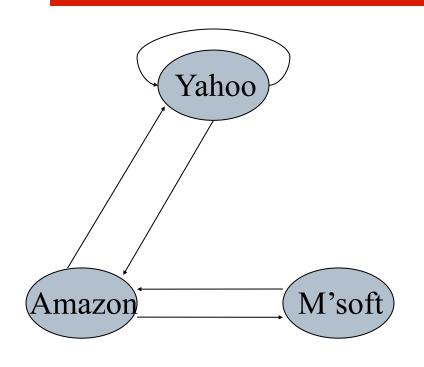
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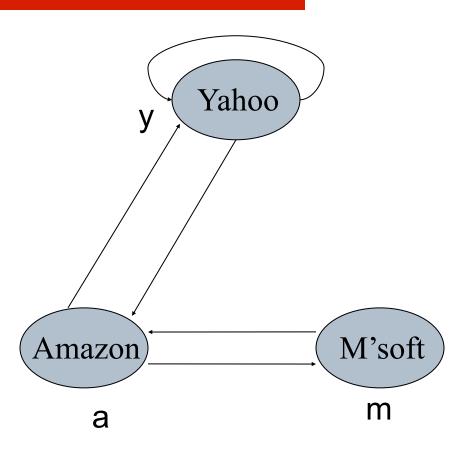
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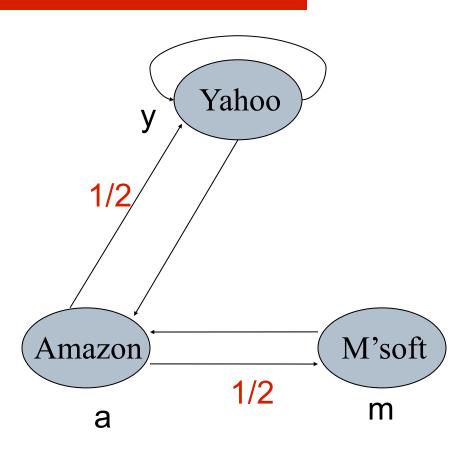
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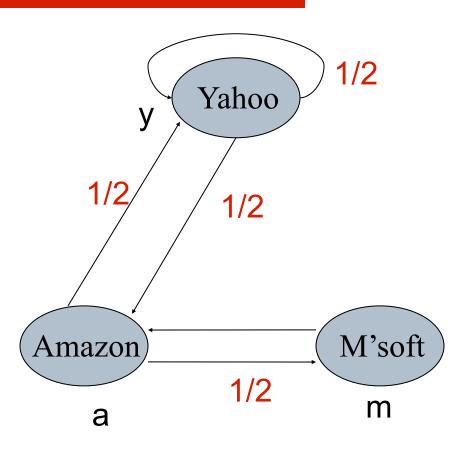
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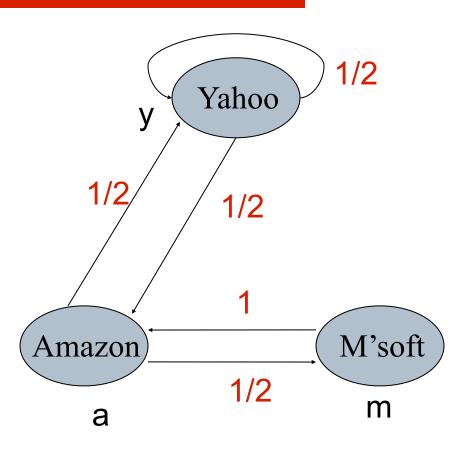
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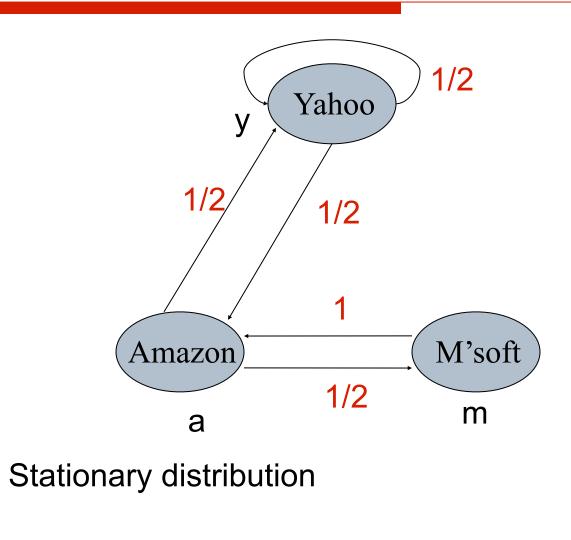
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Existence and Uniqueness

A central result from the theory of random walks (aka 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.

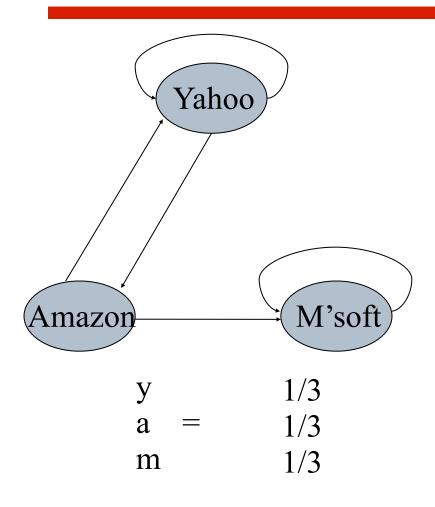
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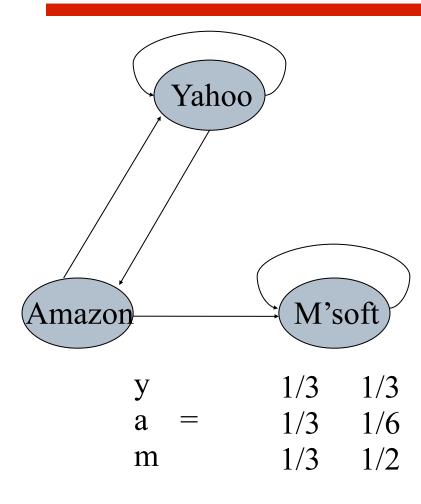
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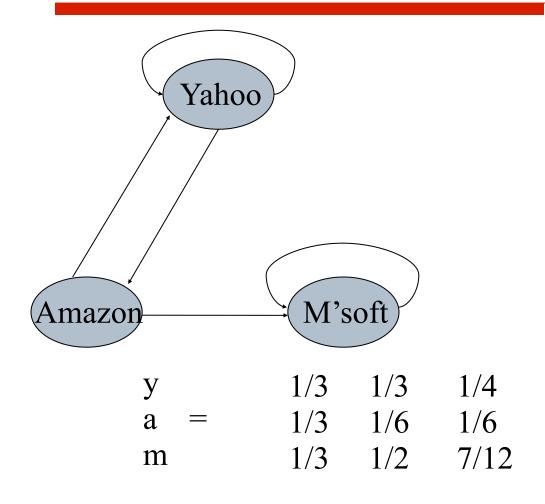
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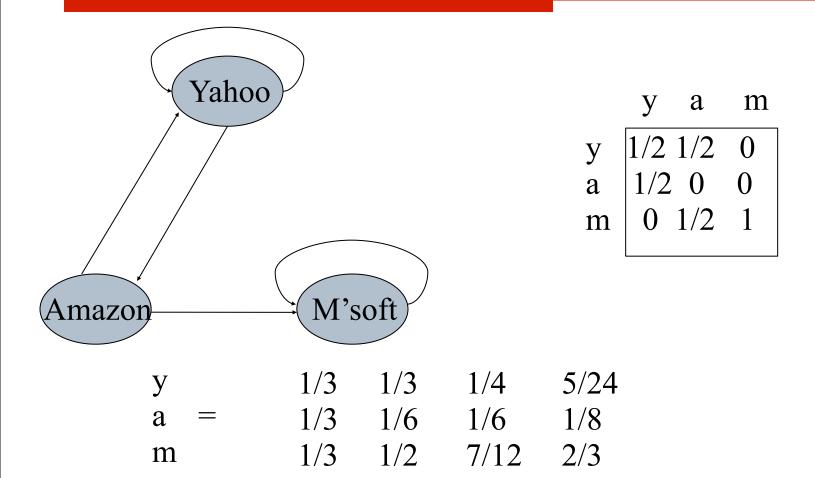


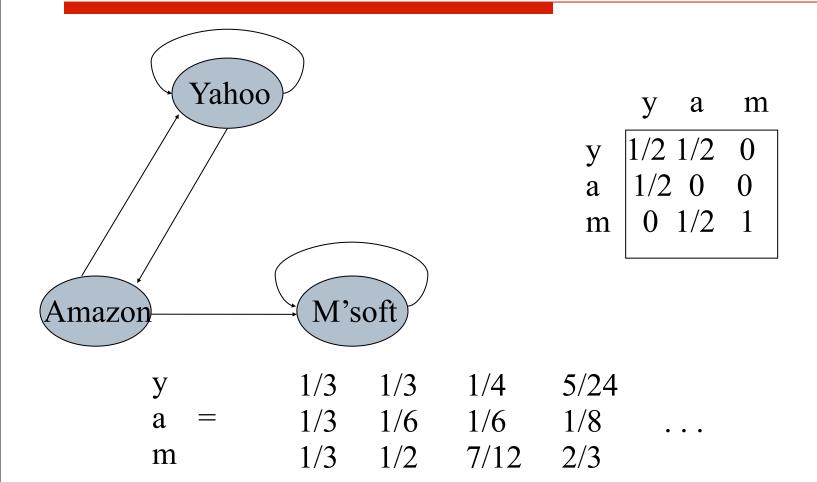


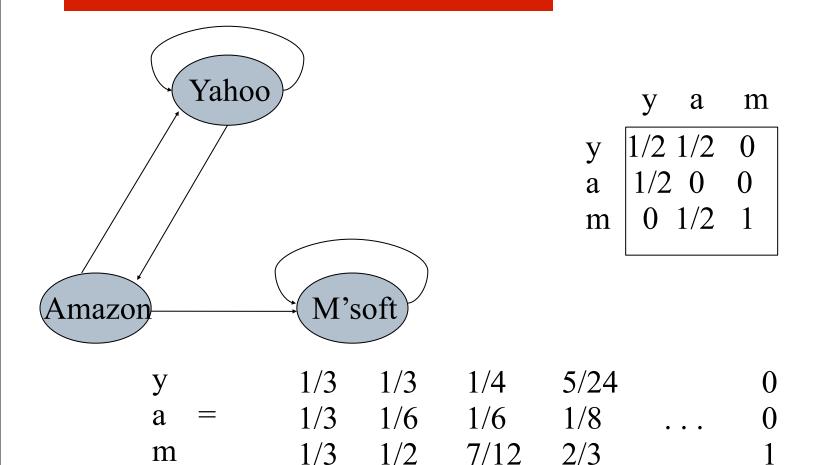
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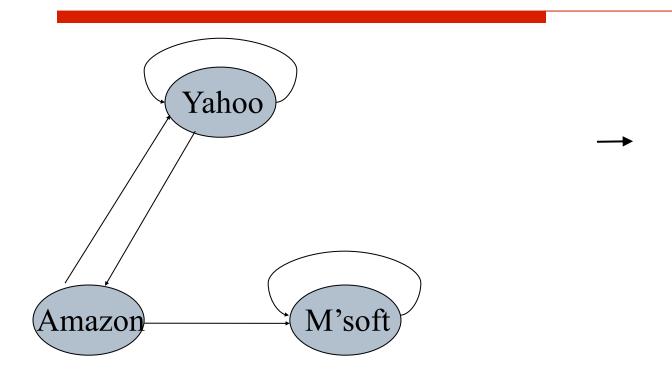
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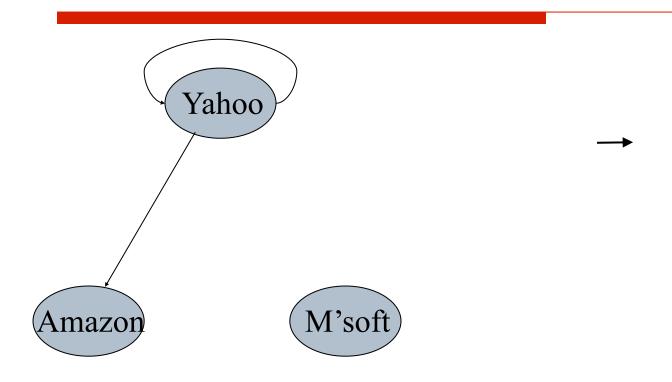
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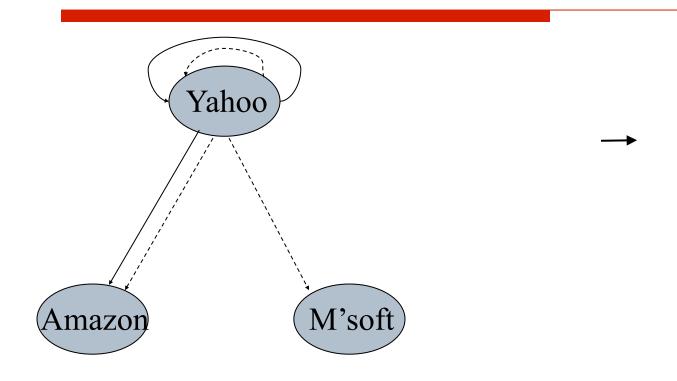
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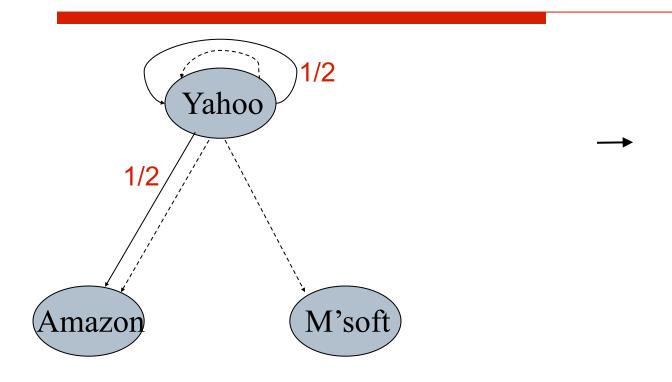
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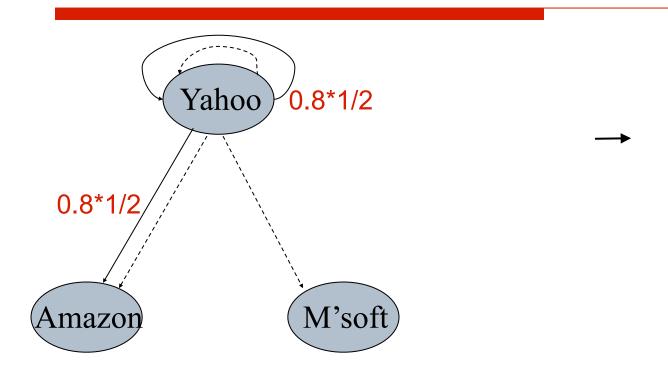
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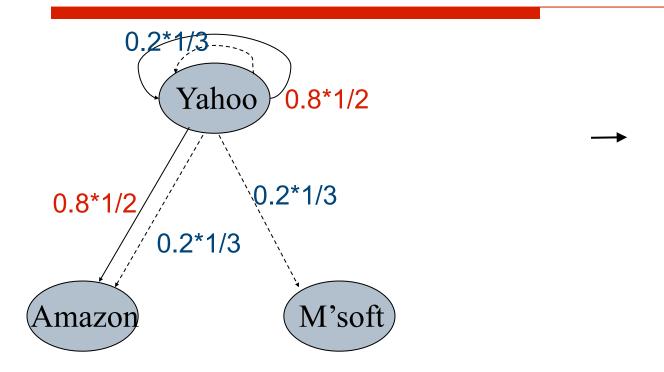


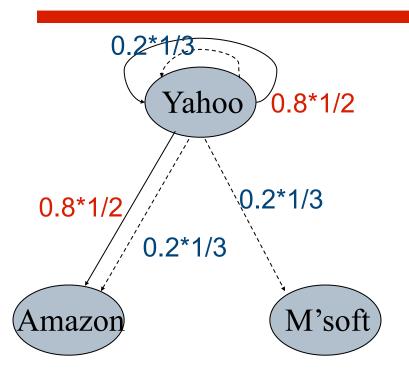


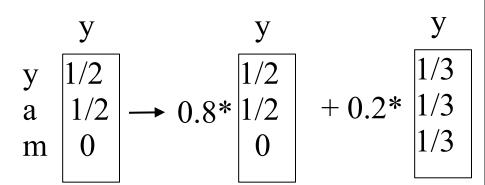


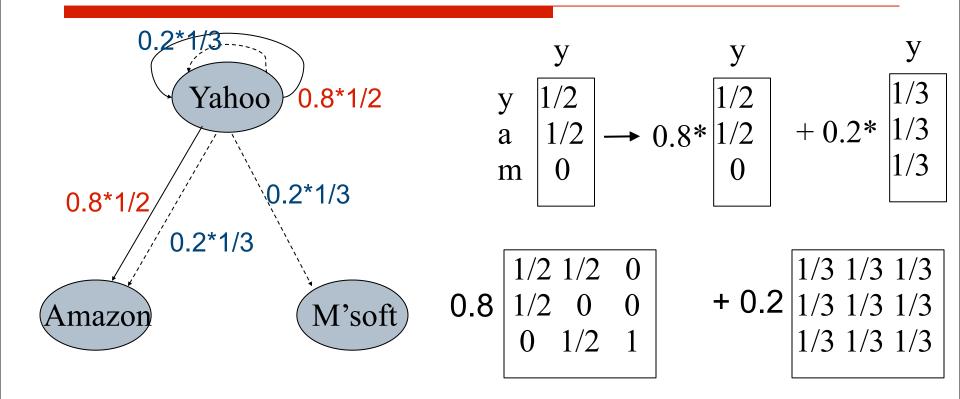


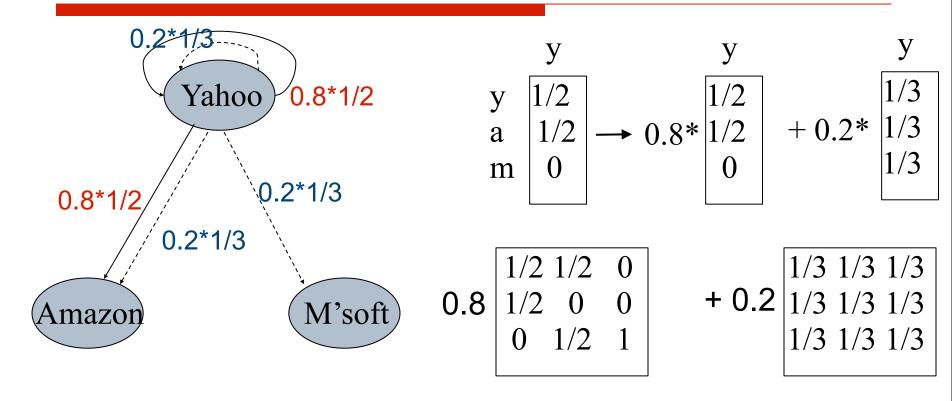




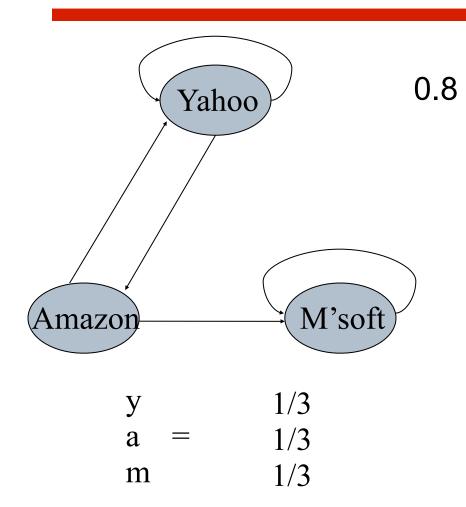




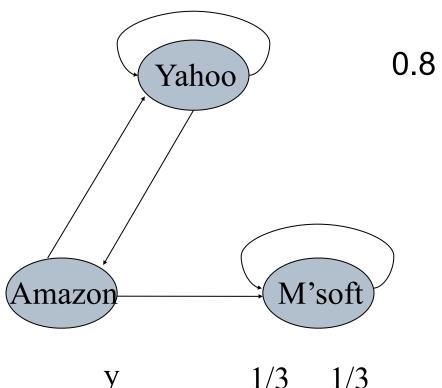




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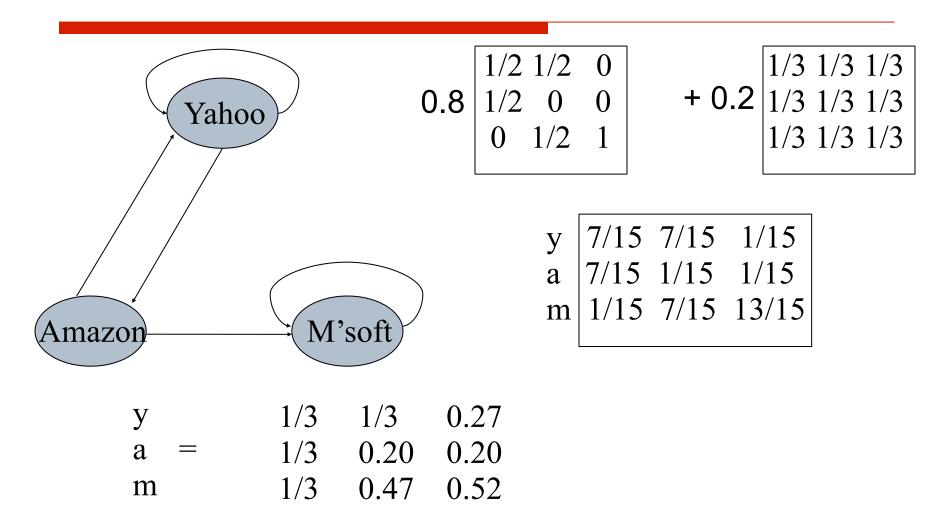
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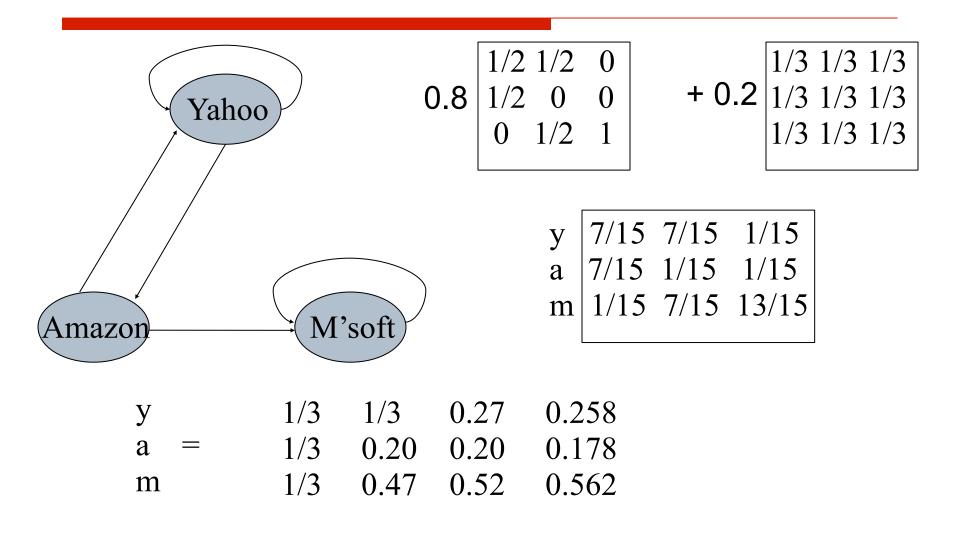


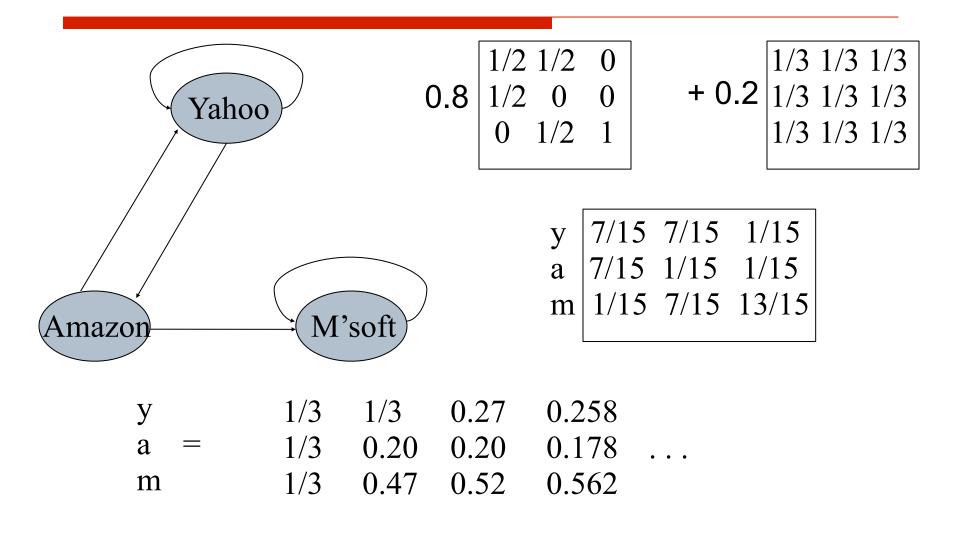
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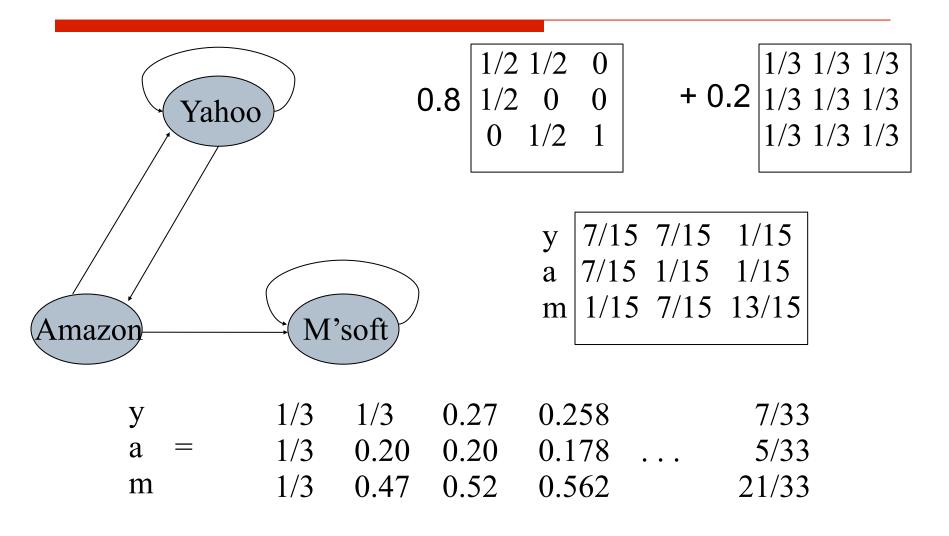
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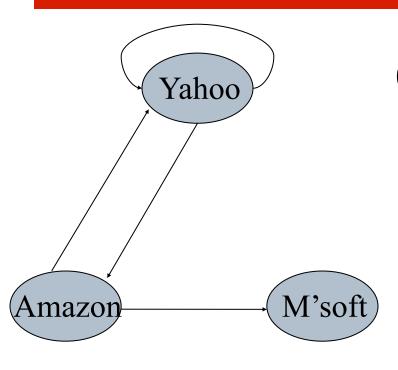
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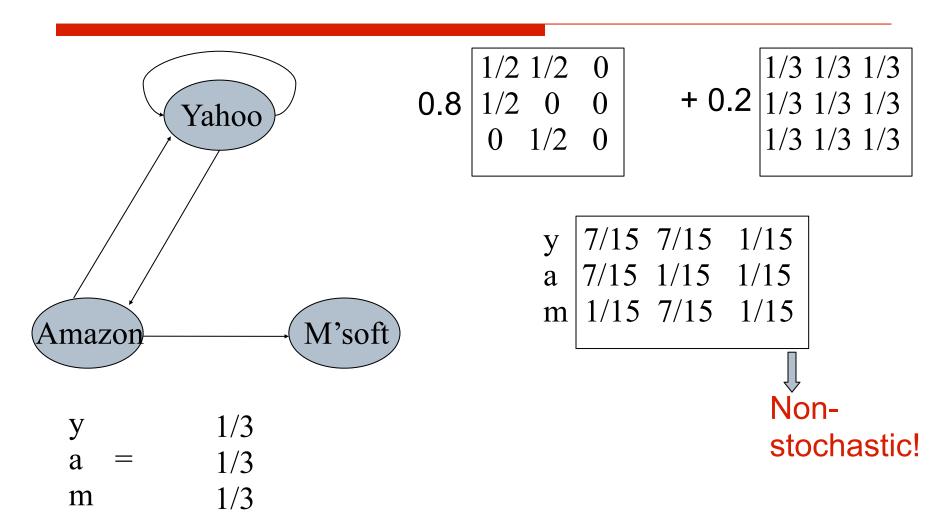
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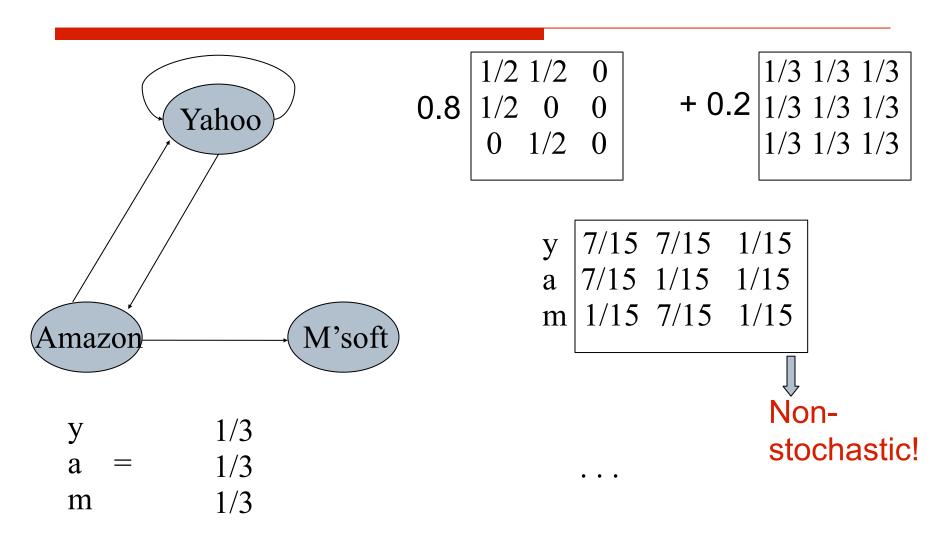
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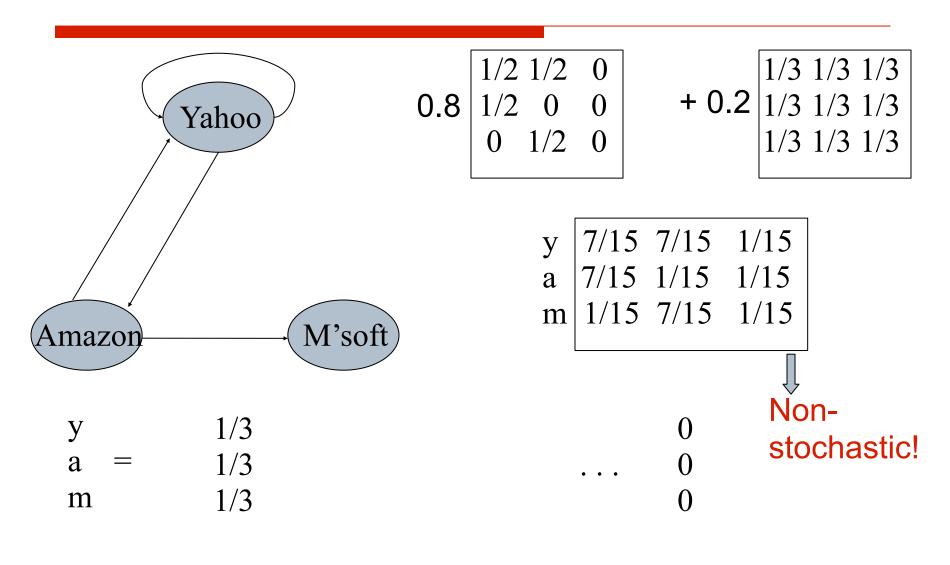
- The description of the PageRank algorithm is essentially complete. Minor problem with "dead ends".
- □ Pages with no outlinks are "dead ends" for the random surfer -> Nowhere to go in the next step.
- □ Our algorithm so far is not well-defined when the number of successors k=0 (we would have 1/0!).



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- More efficient: prune and propagate
 - Preprocess the graph to eliminate dead-ends
 - Might require multiple passes
 - Compute page rank on reduced graph
 - Approximate values for deadends by propagating values from reduced graph

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- \square Say N = 1 billion pages
 - Matrix A has N² entries
 - \square 10¹⁸ is a large number!

Rearranging the equation

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- ☐ So in each iteration, we need to:
 - Compute $\mathbf{r}^{\text{new}} = \beta \mathbf{M} \mathbf{r}^{\text{old}}$
 - Add a constant value $(1-\beta)/N$ to each entry in \mathbf{r}^{new}

Sparse matrix encoding

- Encode sparse matrix using only nonzero entries
 - Space proportional roughly to number of links
 - \blacksquare say 10N, or 4*10*1 billion = 40GB
 - still won't fit in memory, but will fit on disk

source node	dest. node	probability
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0	1	1/4
0	5	1/4
2	17	1/12

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