# Lecture Notes in Computer Science: Authors' Instructions for the Preparation of Camera-Ready Contributions to LNCS/LNAI/LNBI Proceedings

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Metagenomics is a direct sequencing of DNA from all organisms in an environment without culturing. It is a culture-independent tool for studying environmental microorganisms. In addition to the information about taxonomic diversity (who is there), metagenomics gives insight into the physiology of the organisms present in the environment (what are they doing), through studying their genes. Two main goals to be achieved with metagenomics are finding new genes with desired biological activity (bioprospecting) and studying environmental microbes without the need to culture them.

Metagenomic data are considerably more complex. The assembly of metagenomic data is complicated due to several reasons. Few of them are: (i) widely different levels of representation for different organisms in a community; (ii) genomic variation between closely related organisms; (iii) conserved genomic regions shared by distantly related organisms; and (iv) repetitive sequences within individual genomes. Genomic repeats are the major challenge when assembling

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isolated genomes and their effect is prominently seen in metagenomic datasets. It has been show in (cite kingsford) that the number of reconstructions grow exponentially with the number of repeats. Therefore it is impossible find one correct solution for assembly. There are several approaches such as (cite bambus2) to find repeats in metagenomic data. The main drawback of these methods is that they do not scale well as number of nodes in assembly graph increase and prove very inefficient as number of nodes reaches to about a million. To tackle this problem, we explore some of the work in social network analysis, particularly in the area of node centrality. We make use of betweenness centrality to find out repeats in assembly graph.

## 2 Related Work

In graph theory and network analysis, indicators of centrality identify the most important vertices within a graph. Several metrics to measure centrality have been proposed. We make use of betweenness centrality. For a particular node, betweenness centrality is equal to the number of shortest paths from all vertices to all others that pass through that node. Formally, for a node v, it is defined by following expression:

$$g(v) = \sum_{s \neq t \neq v} \frac{\sigma_{st}(v)}{\sigma_{st}}$$

where  $\sigma_{st}$  is the total number of shortest paths from node s to node t and  $\sigma_{st}(v)$  is the number of those paths passing through v.

Brandes(cite brandes) gives an exact algorithm for computing betweenness centrality of all the nodes that is based on solving a single source shortest path problem for each node. This algorithm takes time  $\Theta(mn)$  for unit edge weight graphs and  $\Theta(mn+n^2log(n))$  for weighted graphs. This algorithm does not scale well with large networks with millions of nodes and edges.

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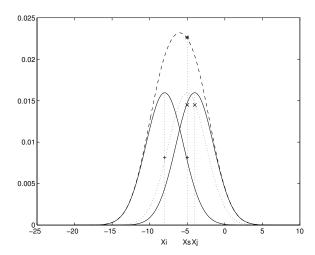
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program Inflation (Output)
  {Assuming annual inflation rates of 7%, 8%, and 10%,...
  years};
   const
     MaxYears = 10;
     Year: 0..MaxYears:
    Factor1, Factor2, Factor3: Real;
   begin
     Year := 0;
    Factor1 := 1.0; Factor2 := 1.0; Factor3 := 1.0;
     WriteLn('Year 7% 8% 10%'); WriteLn;
       Year := Year + 1;
       Factor1 := Factor1 * 1.07;
       Factor2 := Factor2 * 1.08;
       Factor3 := Factor3 * 1.10;
       WriteLn(Year:5,Factor1:7:3,Factor2:7:3,Factor3:7:3)
     until Year = MaxYears
end.
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(Example from Jensen K., Wirth N. (1991) Pascal user manual and report. Springer, New York)

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