

# Math 168 Homework 3

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## **Exercise 1**

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## Exercise 2

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### Exercise 3

- (a) The degree centrality of node 1 is  $\boxed{0}$ , and the degree centrality of every other node is  $\boxed{1}$ .  
 (b) The adjacency matrix looks like this:

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

This is triangular, so we see that the only eigenvalue is 0.

The eigenvector associated with  $\lambda = 0$  is  $[0 \quad \dots \quad 0 \quad 1]^t$

Thus the eigenvalue centrality of every node except node  $n$  is  $\boxed{0}$ , and the eigenvalue centrality of node  $n$  is  $\boxed{1}$ .

- (c)

$$\begin{aligned} (I - \alpha A)x &= \vec{1} \\ \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -\alpha & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -\alpha & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -\alpha & 1 \end{bmatrix} x &= \vec{1} \\ \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ -\alpha x_1 + x_2 \\ -\alpha x_2 + x_3 \\ -\alpha x_4 + x_4 \end{bmatrix} &= \vec{1} \\ \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \\ x_4 \end{bmatrix} &= \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 + \alpha \\ 1 + \alpha + \alpha^2 \\ 1 + \alpha + \alpha^2 + \alpha^3 \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

(we must choose  $\alpha < 1$  for convergence)

The Katz centrality of node  $i$  is

$$\boxed{\frac{1 - \alpha^i}{1 - \alpha}}$$

#### Exercise 4

$$\begin{aligned} C &= \frac{n}{\sum_j d_{ij}} \\ &= \frac{n}{2 \cdot (1 + 2 + \cdots + ((n-1)/2 - 1)) + (n-1)/2} \\ &= \frac{n}{((n-1)/2)((n-1)/2 - 1) + (n-1)/2} \\ &= \frac{n}{((n-1)/2)((n-1)/2)} \\ &= \boxed{\frac{4n}{(n-1)^2}} \end{aligned}$$

## Exercise 5

Central node

$$\begin{aligned}x_1 &= \sum_{st} n_{st}^1 \\&= \sum_{st} \begin{cases} 1, & s \neq t \vee s = t = 1 \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \\&= \boxed{n^2 - n + 1}\end{aligned}$$

Other nodes

$$\begin{aligned}x_i &= \sum_{st} n_{st}^i \\&= \sum_{st} \begin{cases} 1, & s = i \vee t = i \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \\&= \boxed{2n - 1}\end{aligned}$$

### Exercise 6

For each node  $j$  in the left half, the shortest path to node 2 is  $d_{2j} = d_{1j} + 1$  since it must pass through the edge  $(1, 2)$ . Likewise, for each node  $k$  in the right half, the shortest path to node 1 is  $d_{1k} = d_{2k} + 1$ .

$$\begin{aligned}
 C_1 &= \frac{n}{\sum_j d_{1j} + \sum_k d_{1k}} \\
 &= \frac{n}{\sum_j d_{1j} + \sum_k (d_{2k} + 1)} \\
 &= \frac{n}{\sum_j d_{1j} + \sum_k d_{2k} + n_2} \\
 C_2 &= \frac{n}{\sum_j d_{2j} + \sum_k d_{2k}} \\
 &= \frac{n}{\sum_j (d_{1j} + 1) + \sum_k d_{2k}} \\
 &= \frac{n}{\sum_j d_{1j} + n_1 + \sum_k d_{2k}}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \frac{1}{C_1} + \frac{n_1}{n} &= \frac{\sum_j d_{1j} + \sum_k d_{2k} + n_2}{n} + \frac{n_1}{n} \\
 &= \frac{\sum_j d_{1j} + \sum_k d_{2k} + n_1}{n} + \frac{n_2}{n} \\
 &= \frac{1}{C_2} + \frac{n_2}{n}
 \end{aligned}$$

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## Exercise 7

- (a)  $(A^3)_{ii}$  is the number of paths of length 3 from node  $i$  to itself. A path of length 3 would be a triangle starting and ending at node  $i$ . However, we overcount the number of triangles by a factor of 6, because for the same triangle we could count 6 different paths: for each of the 3 vertices, we can count 2 paths in different directions.

- (b) Number of 2-paths:

$$\sum_{ij} (A^2)_{ij} - \sum_i (A^2)_{ii}$$

- (c)

$$\begin{aligned} C &= \frac{\sum_i (A^3)_{ii}}{\sum_{ij} (A^2)_{ij} - \sum_i (A^2)_{ii}} \\ &= \boxed{0.6666666666666666} \end{aligned}$$

## Exercise 8

Legend:

x-axis	$n$
y-axis	$C$
Blue square	$p = 0.05$
Red triangle	$p = 0.1$
Black circle	$p = 0.2$

