

Lab 8

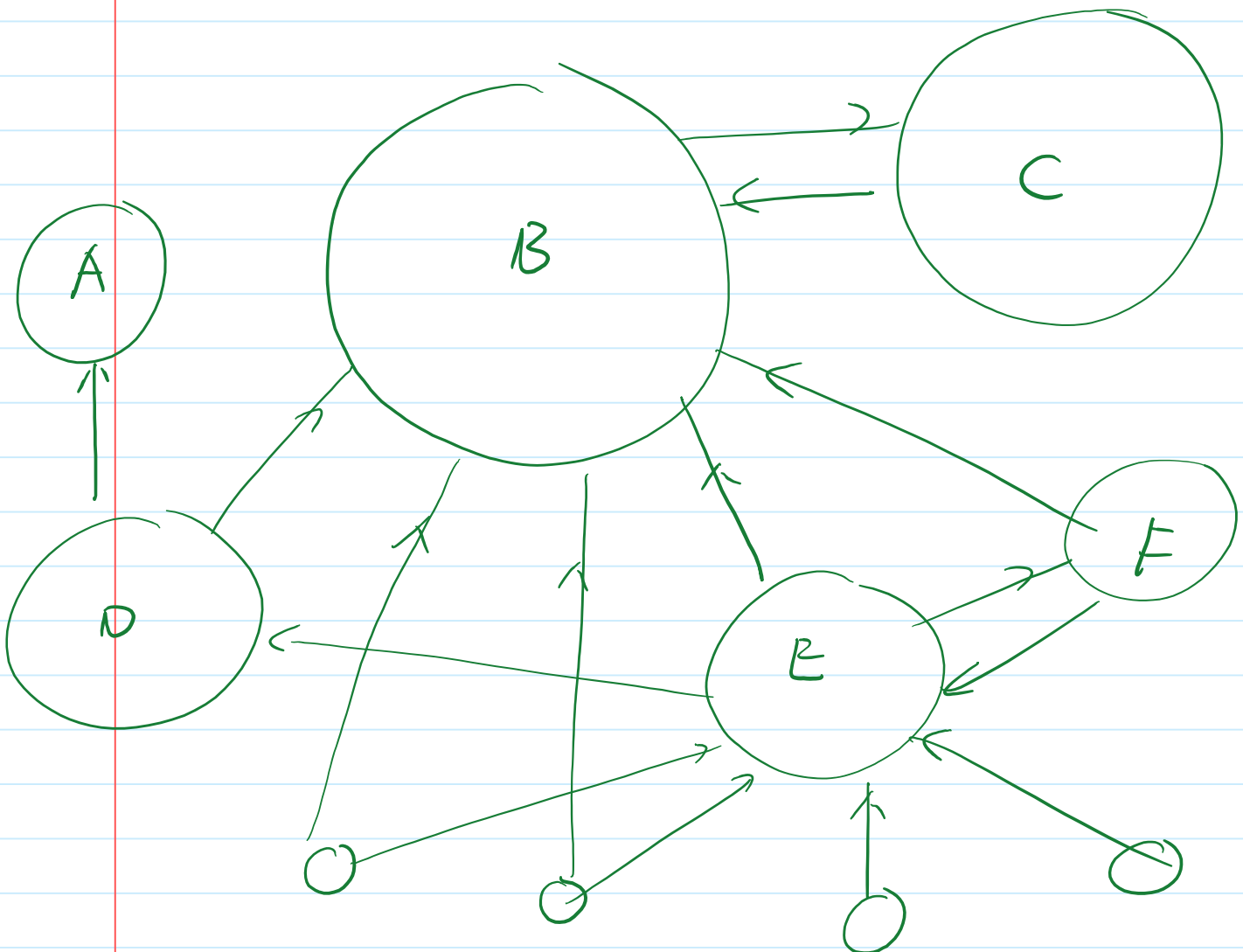
In this Lab: applications of Markov chains
and graphs

- The PageRank algo
- Statistical inference (with a Markov model)
- Cache replacement.

Page Rank

(review Markov chain)

Purpose : given a graph of websites and hyperlinks, produce a ranking of the websites that reflects the importance/popularity /relevance of the websites.



- state space : set of websites (total # = n)
- transition probability:

$$p_{ij} = d \cdot \frac{A_{ij}}{\text{out_degree}(j)} + (1-d) \cdot \frac{1}{n}.$$

$$A_{ij} = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } i \rightarrow j \\ 0 & \text{else} \end{cases}$$

- find the equilibrium distribution
(can find it by a reasonably large
of iterations)

Estimate the transition prob. matrix for a
Markov chain

$$S = \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$$

Sample path:

1 3 1 2 4 4 1 1 2 4 3 2 1 3 2 1 4

$$\hat{p}_{13} = \frac{2}{6}$$

Cache Replacement Policy

n : # of elements in memory

k : size of cache

Question: what elements should I keep in the cache?

Goal: maximize the hit probability.

E.g. Least Recently Used (LRU)

element sequence: $A \rightarrow B \rightarrow C \rightarrow D \rightarrow C \rightarrow D \rightarrow F$

$k = 4$

Most Recently Used

Least Recently Used
