Jelena Tešić: Research Impact and Plan

The arching quest of my research work is how to provide efficient, effective, intuitive, and responsible access to and interaction with unstructured data collections for summarizing, mining, querying, analyzing, and recommendation tasks. In the process, the proposed work is addressing the challenges associated with analyzing such unstructured data, which encompasses diverse data types and formats, including multimedia data, health data records, surveys, experimental readings, sensor data, social platform content data, genomics data, and purchase reviews. In this document, I highlight the contributions of my research work at Texas State as well as planned research going forward along the main approach for representing unstructured data (i) deep and multimodal features (ii) noisy tabular data (iii) signed graphs; and (iv) multimodal data representation combining (i) - (iii).

Indexing and Summarizing Descriptor Databases

Deep descriptors, genomics descriptors, clustering, indexing, search, summarizing, Published: [12, 15] [?] Under review: [16]

High Variability Video Collections Tasks

Domain adaptation for Object classification [4] (under review); [3, 2] Small object classification [26] and [9] Activity recognition [23] and [22] Multimodality ... [10]

Predictive Modeling of Noisy Tabular and Survey Data

Under review: survey teacher loss [27] and COVID learning loss [14]

Published: Covid data ... [7]

Signed Graph Analysis of Relations in Unstructured Data

Traditional graph analysis techniques are not suitable for unstructured data due to inherent ambiguity and lack of clear underlying structures. By formalizing the sign and weight of relationships in a graph representation for unstructured data, my research provides a solution to this challenge. We have developed a scalable and assumption-free algorithm to effectively compute the fundamental cycle basis in large, unstructured graphs without requiring training data or relying on spectral computation assumptions. This enables the discovery of key patterns, communities, and recommendations, contributing to more accurate and reliable analysis in various domains. The research also emphasizes the importance of mapping unstructured data relations to edge signs and weights, providing valuable insights into the assumptions and limitations of graph analysis.

Published: [17] [25] [1] [24] [19]

Under review: [21], [20]

The challenge is an NP-hard problem; there is no current baseline to evaluate stateof-the-art signed graphs derived from real networks. In this paper, we propose a scalable state-of-the-art approach for the maximum balanced sub-graph detection in the network of any size although it is still bounded by computational capability. The proposed approach builds on the graph characteristics and a scalable fundamental cycle discovery method to minimize the number of nodes discarded. We evaluate the proposed approach against state-of-the-art and demonstrate over two times higher graph size regarding the number of nodes selected of the discovered subset on an extensive signed network with millions of nodes and edges over the state-of-art in the same time frame.

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