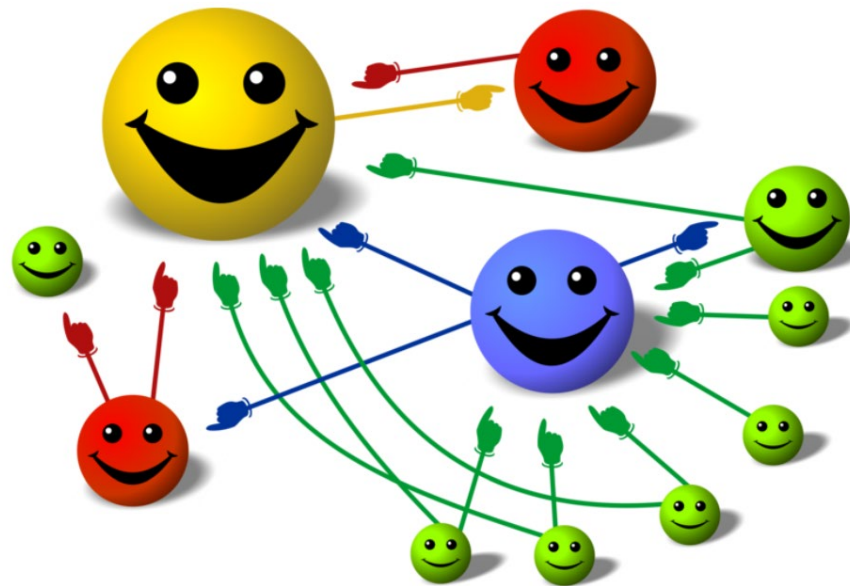
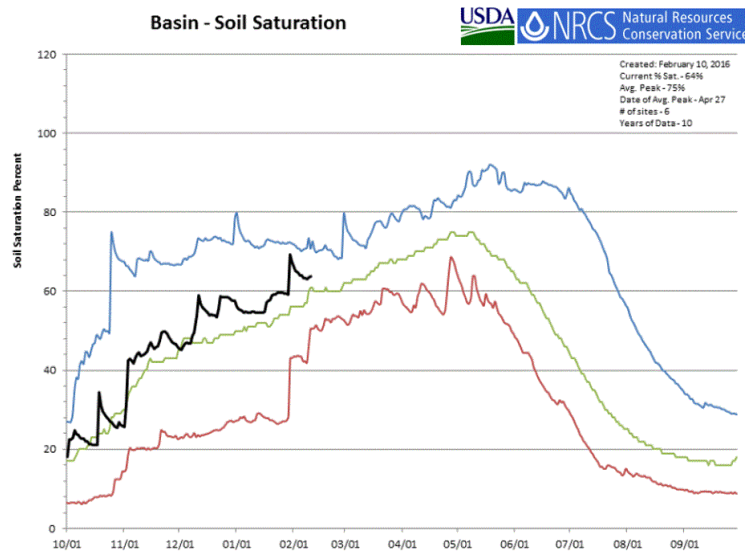
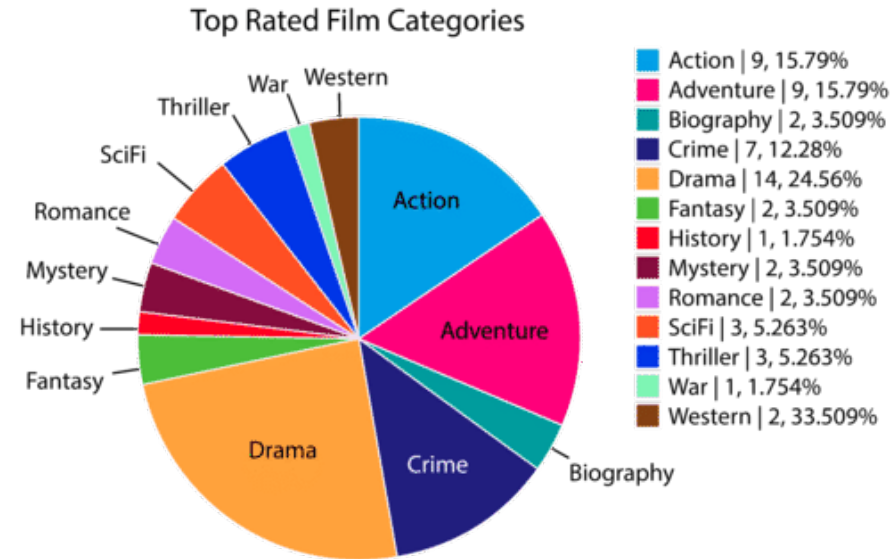
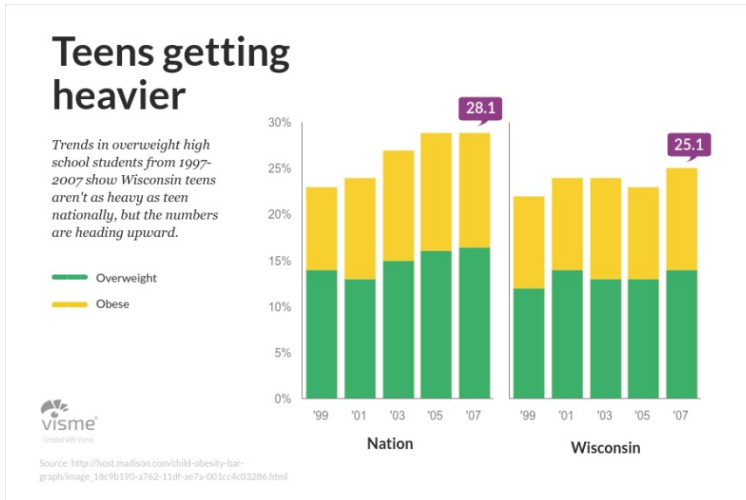


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Analyzing Large Graphs



What is a Graph?

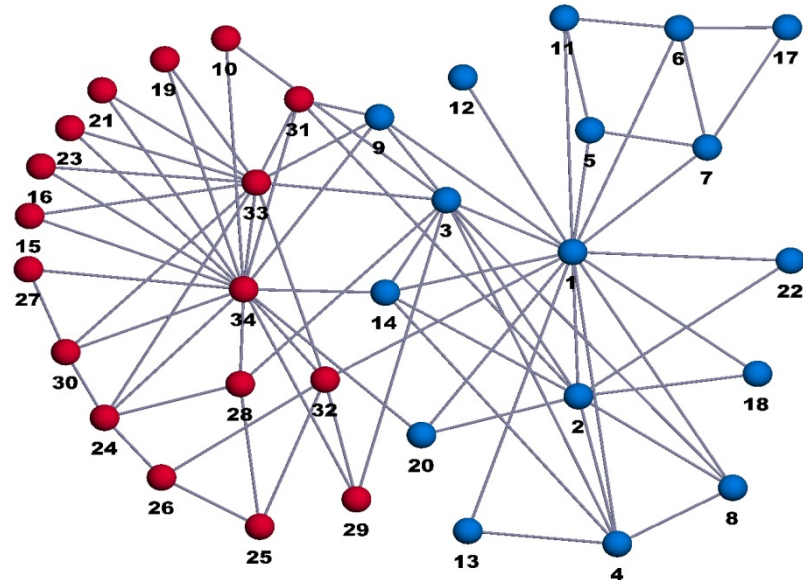


These are charts,
NOT graphs!

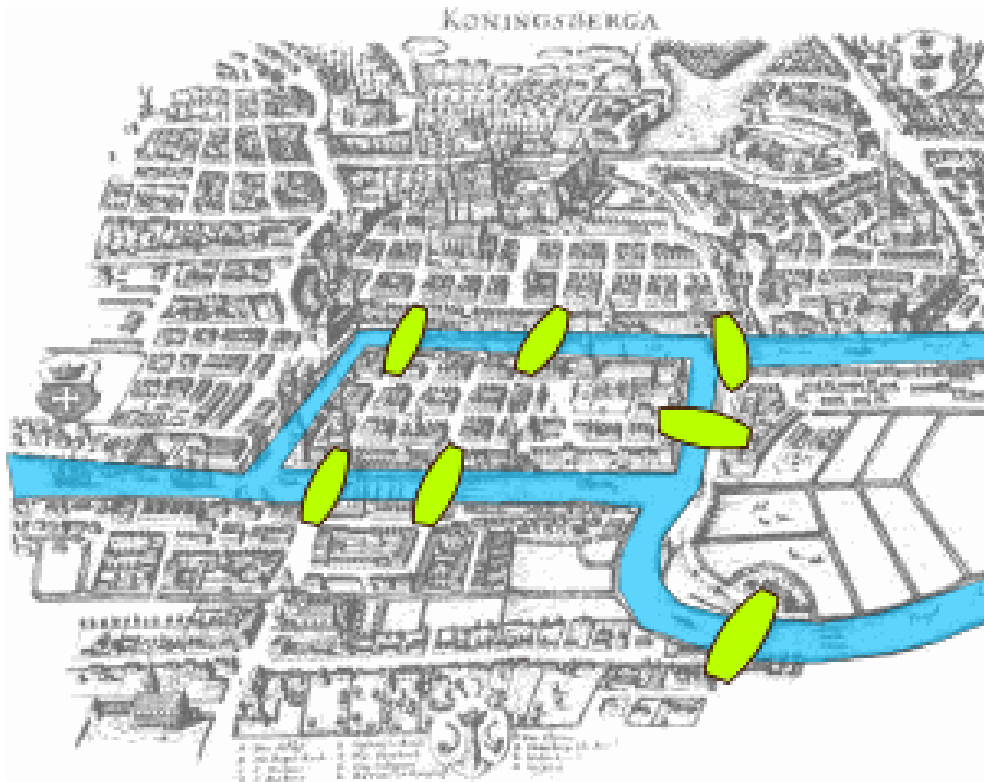
What is a Graph?

- Objects (nodes): $\{1, 2, 3, \dots\}$
- Relationships (edges): $\{\{1,2\}, \{2,3\}, \dots\}$
- Graph analytics aim to understand and visualize **relationships that exist between objects**, to uncover **insights about the structures and patterns of objects relationships**

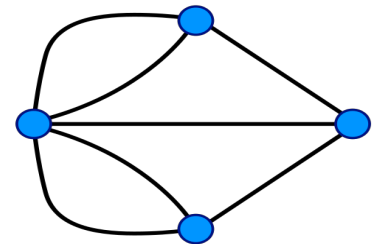
Community structure in the social network of Zachery Karate Club



Example: Technological Networks

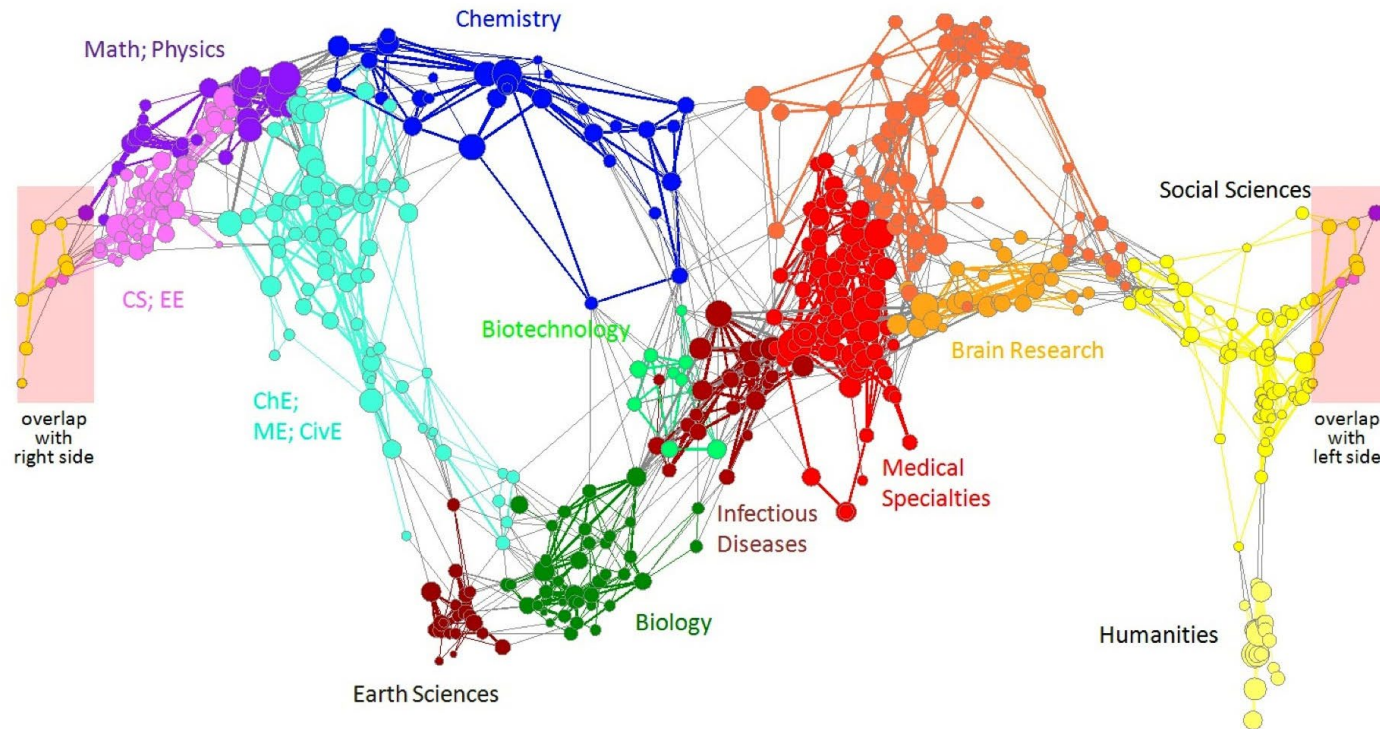


Seven Bridges of Königsberg
[Euler, 1735]



- Return to the starting point by traveling each link of the graph once and only once.

Example: Information Nets



Citation Networks and Maps of Science

[Borner et. al, 2012]

- Links denote citations between papers in journal
- Visualize how different disciplines relate to each other

Example: Social Networks



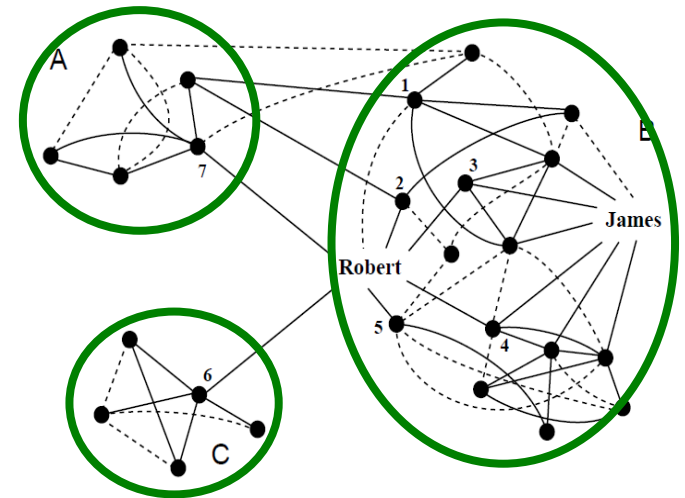
Facebook Social Graph

4-degrees of separation [Backstrom-Boldi-Rosa-Ugander-Vigna, 2011]

- Links denote social interactions e.g. friendship
- Identify groups (communities) and group interactions
- Find key influencers in community
- Extract topic interests

Community Detection

- Partition the network into groups such that the inter-group edges are sparse while the intra-group edges are dense.
- Example with 3 communities
- Non-randomness (locality)
 - Relationship tend to cluster
 - If entity P is related to both Q and R, then there is a higher probability than average that Q and R are related



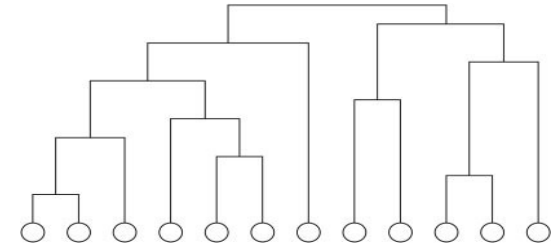
Hierarchical Clustering Approach

- **Define notion of similarity/affinity between nodes**
 - $\text{sim}(x,y) = \#$ node-disjoint paths between x and y
 - $\text{sim}(x,y) = \#$ edge-disjoint paths between x and y
 - $\text{sim}(x,y) =$ weighted sum of all paths, with longer paths weighted down e.g. Katz

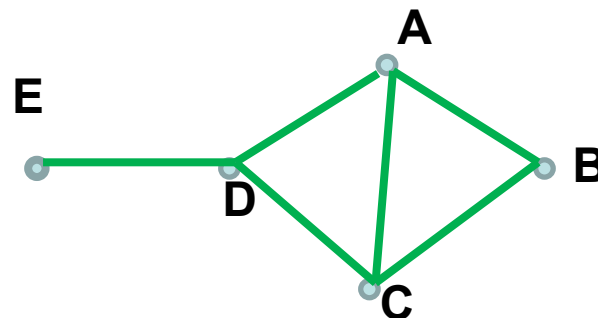
$$\text{Katz}(x,y) = \sum_{k \geq 0} \alpha^k \# \text{Paths}_k(x,y) \quad \text{where } 0 < \alpha < 1$$

- **How to compute the node similarities quickly?**

Hierarchical Clustering

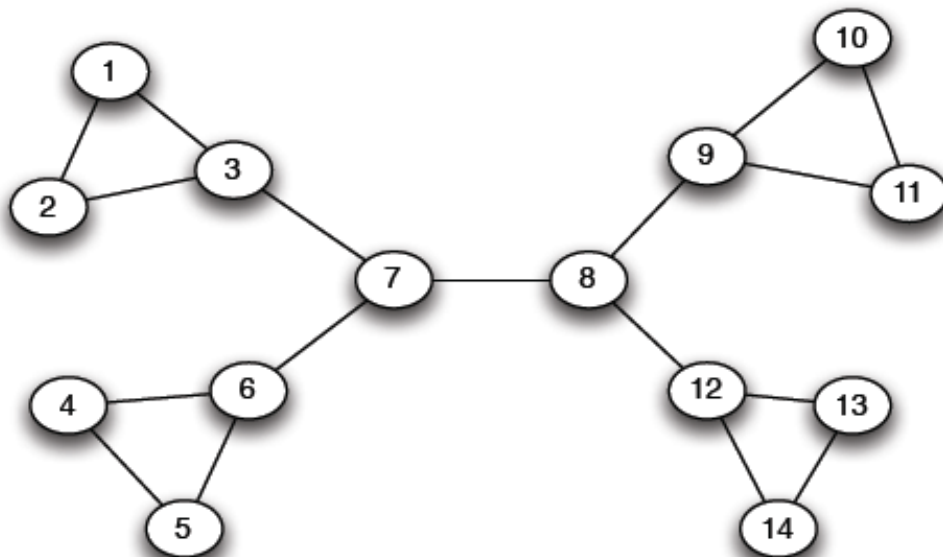


- Compute all pairwise node similarities for every edge
- Repeatedly add edges with largest similarity, leads to a tree or dendrogram
- A slice through the dendrogram represents a clustering or community structure
- Problem: “Misplaces” nodes in the periphery
 - Which community should node E belong to?



Girvan-Newman Algorithm

- **Hierarchical divisive method**
 - Start with the whole graph
 - Find edges whose removal “partitions” the graph
 - Repeat with each subgraph until single vertices



Which edge to remove?

Edge Importance

- Need a measure of how important an edge is in keeping the graph connected
- Edge betweenness: Number of shortest paths that pass through the edge
- Betweenness of an edge (a,b) $B(a,b)$
 - For each pair of nodes (x, y), compute number of shortest paths that include (a,b)
 - May have multiple shortest paths between (x,y) $SP(x,y)$
 - Compute the fraction of those that pass through (a,b)

$$B(a, b) = \sum_{x,y \in V} \frac{|SP(x, y) \text{ that include } (a, b)|}{|SP(x, y)|}$$

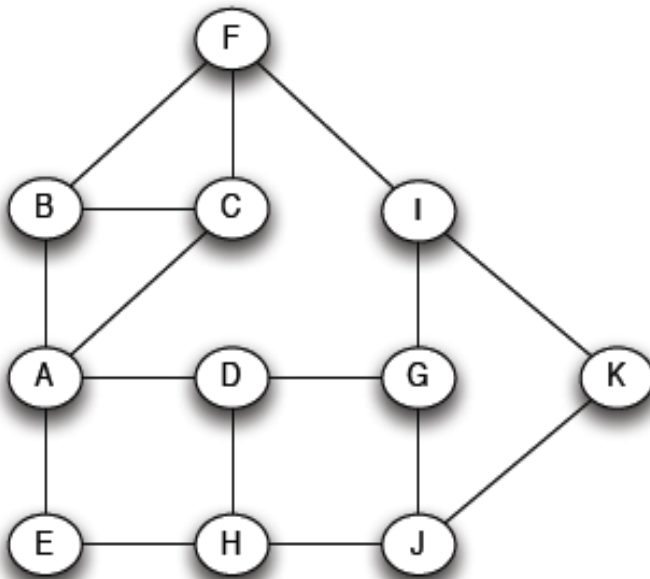
Edge Betweenness

- An inter-community edge has a higher betweenness compared to an intra-community edge, i.e., more paths between node pairs pass through it.
- Basic algorithm
 - Start with graph G .
 - Repeatedly remove edge with highest betweenness until <some stopping criterion>
 - Communities = resulting components

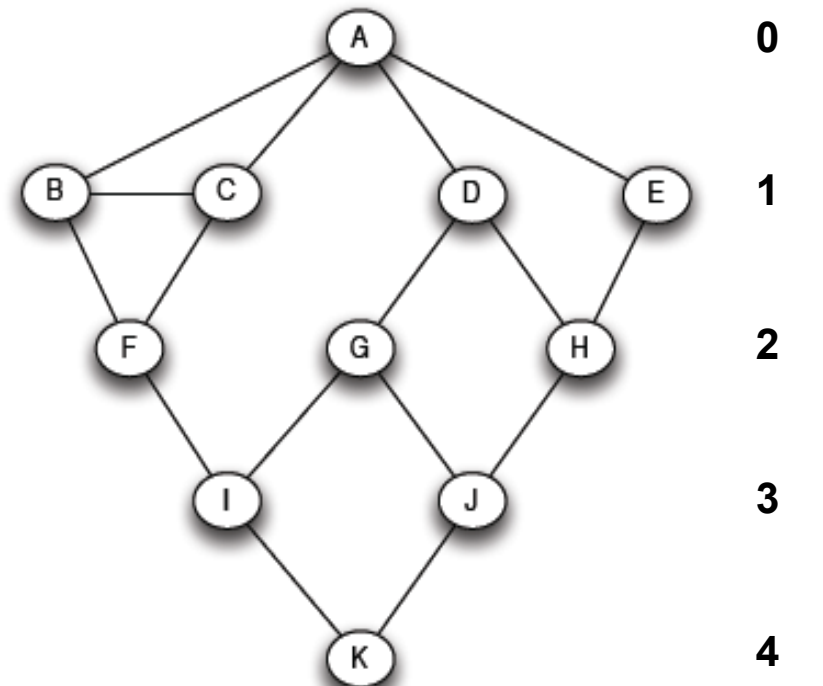
How to Compute Edge Betweenness?

visit the nodes level by level

- Want to compute betweenness of paths starting at node A

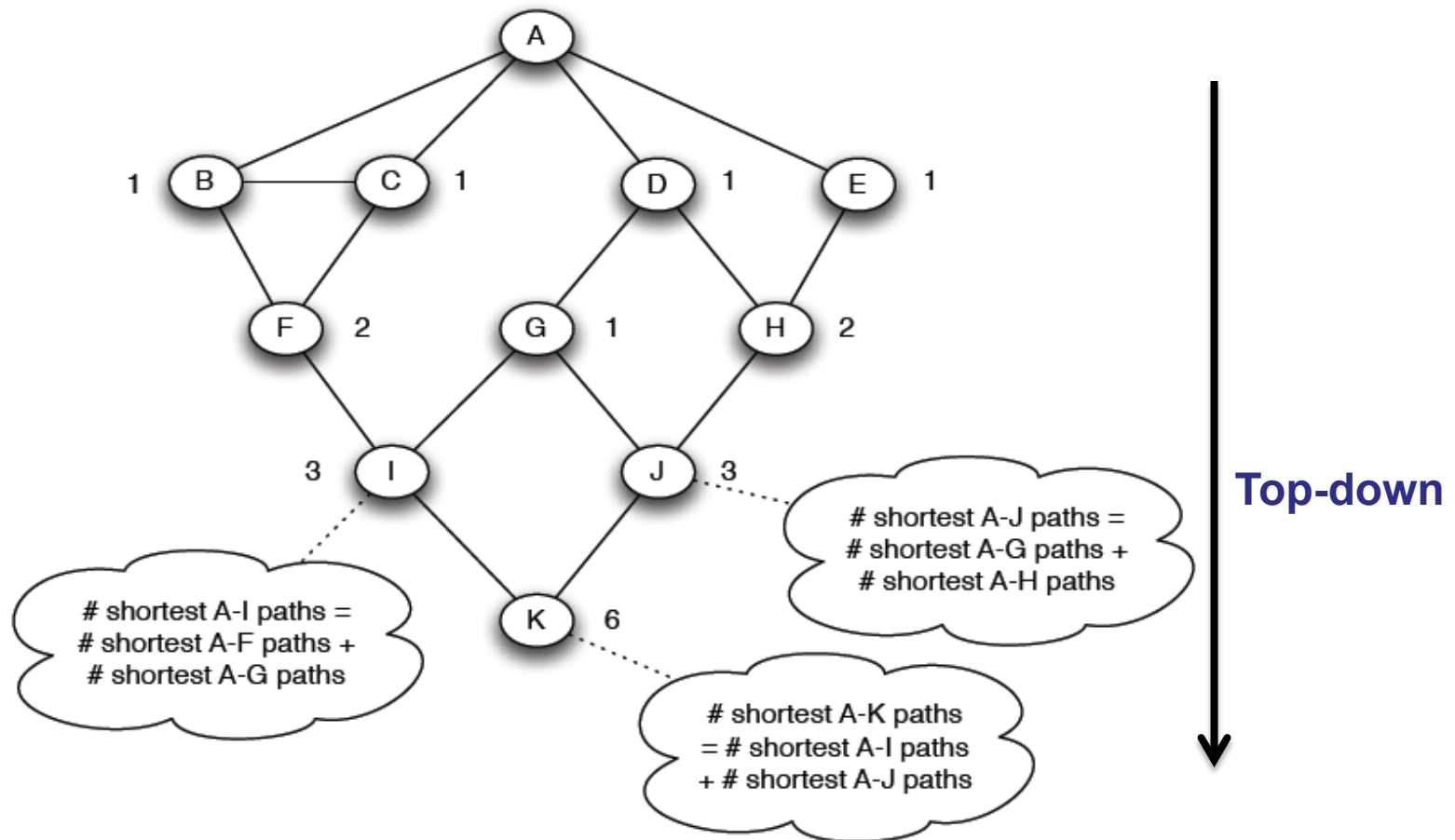


- Breadth first search starting from A
- Level gives the length of shortest path from A



How to Compute Edge Betweenness?

- Determine the number of shortest paths from A to all other nodes of the network

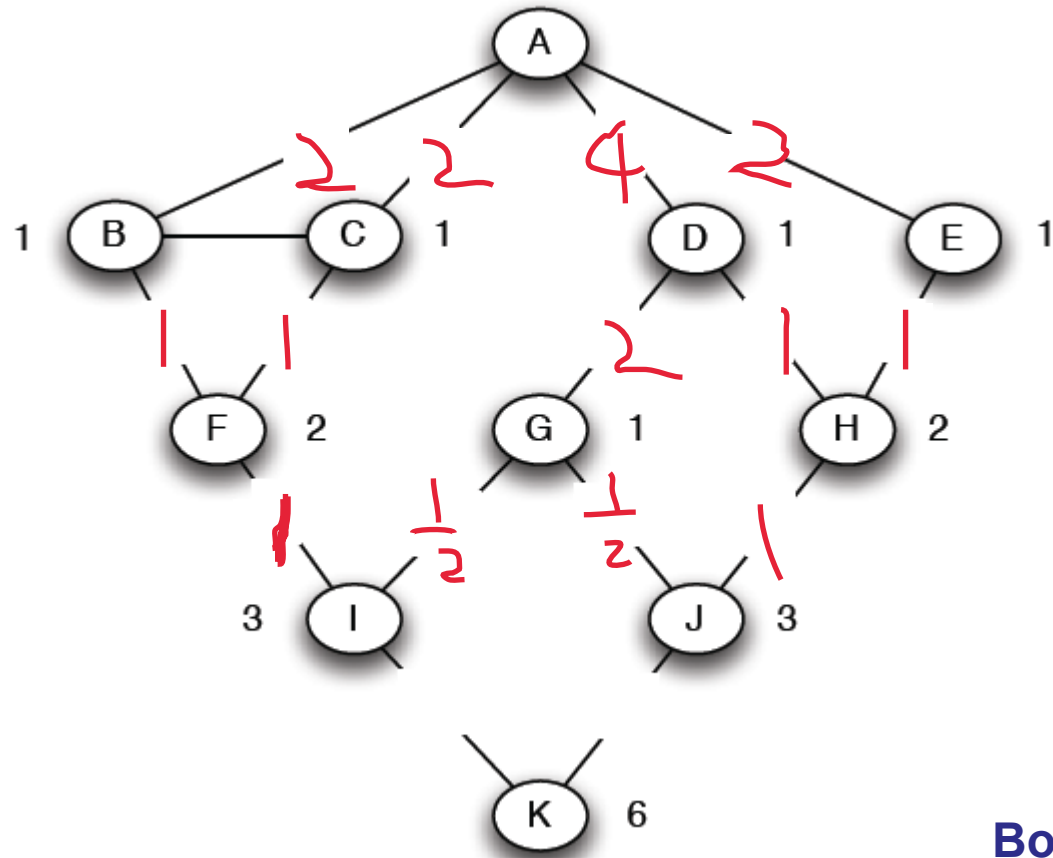


How to Compute Edge Betweenness?

- Compute edge flows by working up the tree
- For every node there is a unit of flow to that node that is divided fractionally to the edges that reach that node

There is a unit of flow to K that reaches K through edges (I,K) and (J,K) and (J,K)

Since there are 3 paths from I to K and 3 paths from J, each edge gets $\frac{1}{2}$ of the flow

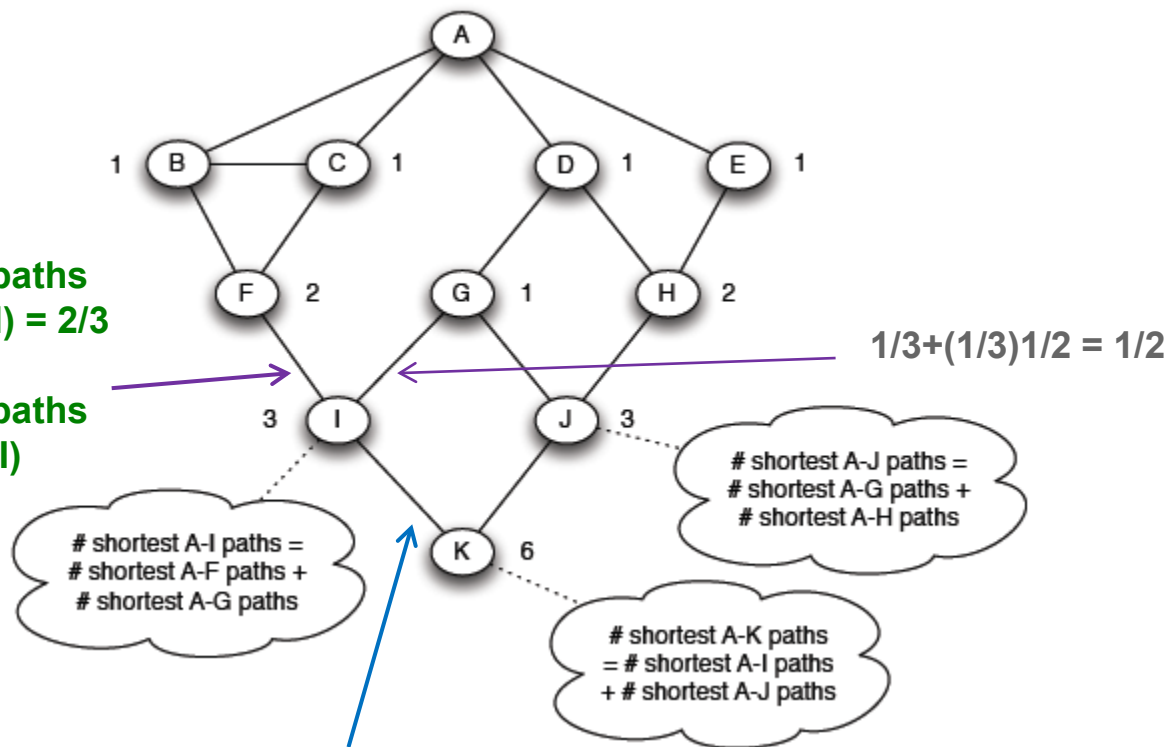


Bottom-up

How to Compute Edge Betweenness?

- Count the flow through each edge

Portion of the shortest paths
to I that go through (F, I) = $2/3$
+
Portion of the shortest paths
to K that go through (F, I)
 $(1/2)(2/3) = 1/3$
= 1



Portion of the shortest
paths to K that go
through (I, K) = $3/6 = 1/2$

Bottom-up

How to Compute Edge Betweenness?

- Repeat the process for all nodes
- Edge betweenness is given by the sum of the flows computed for each edge

$$B(a, b) = \sum_{x, y \in V} \frac{|SP(x, y) \text{ that include } (a, b)|}{|SP(x, y)|}$$

Scalability Issues

- m edges and n nodes
- For each target node X , BFS gives the betweenness of every edge w.r.t X in $O(m)$ time
- Final betweenness score for every edge is computed in time $O(mn)$
- Recalculation takes $O(m^2n)$, not feasible for large networks

Repeat

- *Calculate betweenness of all edges;*
- *Remove edge with highest betweenness, break ties arbitrarily;*

Until <some stopping criterion>

Scaling up CD Algorithm

- Determine which edges need their betweenness recalculated, when an edge is removed.
 - When e is removed, $\text{betweenness}(e')$ needs to be recalculated only if e' is in the same connected component as e .
 - Not much pruning if a component is large
- Perhaps it's only important to determine the edge with the next highest betweenness
- Can we maintain enough “state” so that when e is removed, we can recalculate $\text{betweenness}(e')$ incrementally?

Web as a Graph

- **Nodes: Webpages**
- **Edges: Hyperlinks**

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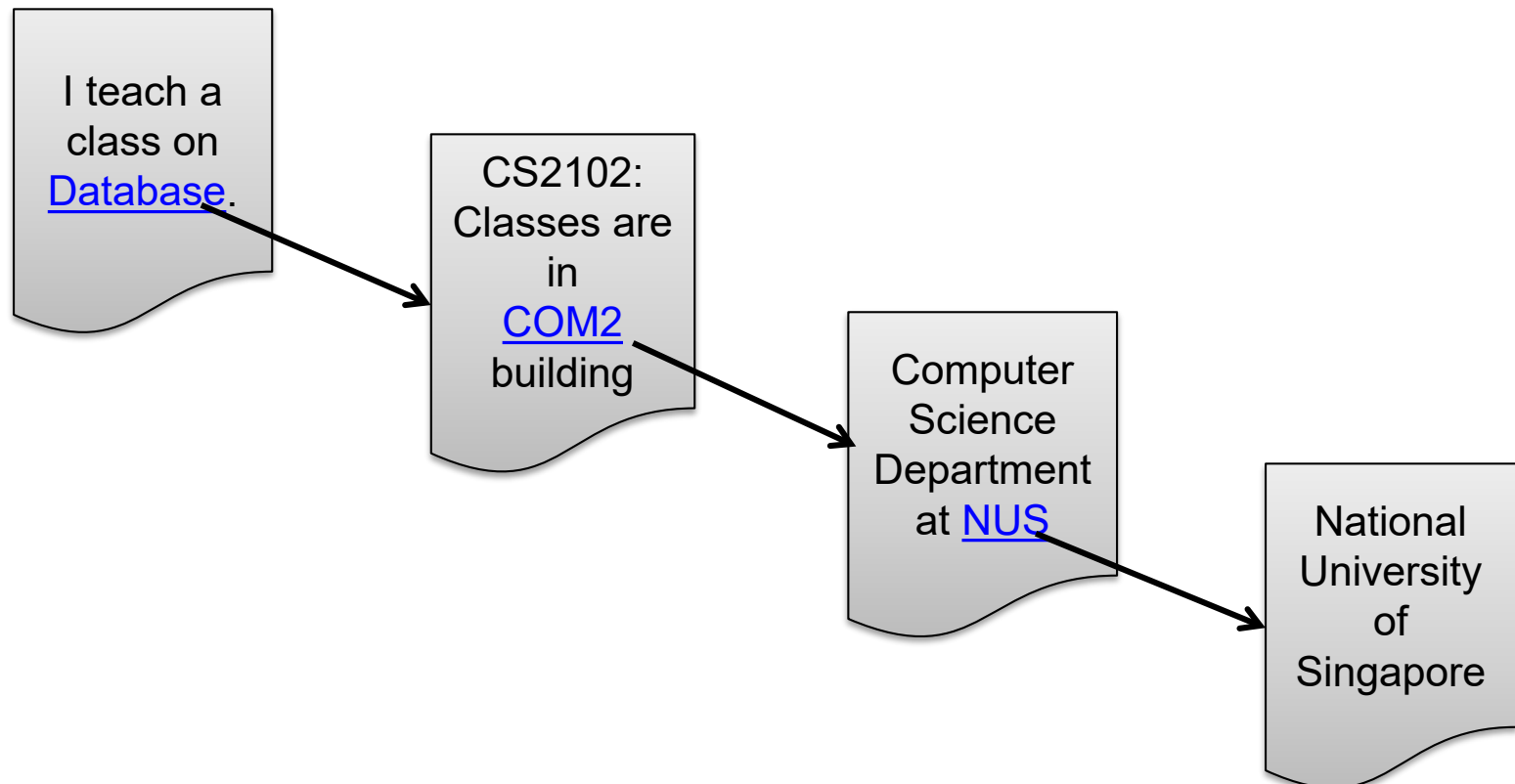
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Web as a Graph

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Web Search

The screenshot shows a Google search interface. The search bar contains the text "link analysis". Below the search bar, the results are displayed. The first result is "Link analysis - Wikipedia, the free encyclopedia". A red circle highlights the search bar, and a red arrow points from it to the first result. Another red arrow points from the search bar to the second result, "Link Analysis - The Stanford University InfoLab".

Google link analysis

Web Images Videos News Maps More Search tools

About 1,200,000,000 results (0.14 seconds)

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In network theory, **link analysis** is a data-analysis technique used to evaluate relationships (connections) between nodes. Relationships may be identified ...
Knowledge discovery - History - Applications - Issues with link analysis

Link Analysis - The Stanford University InfoLab
infolab.stanford.edu/~ullman/mmds/ch5.pdf -
Chapter 5. **Link Analysis**. One of the biggest changes in our lives in the decade following the turn of the century was the availability of efficient and accurate Web ...

Images for link analysis - Report images

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by D Cai - 2004 - Cited by 188 - Related articles
Link Analysis has shown great potential in improving the performance of web ...
Based on block-level **link analysis**, we proposed two new algorithms, Block ...

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- How does the search engine decide which page should be ranked higher?

Web Search - Challenges

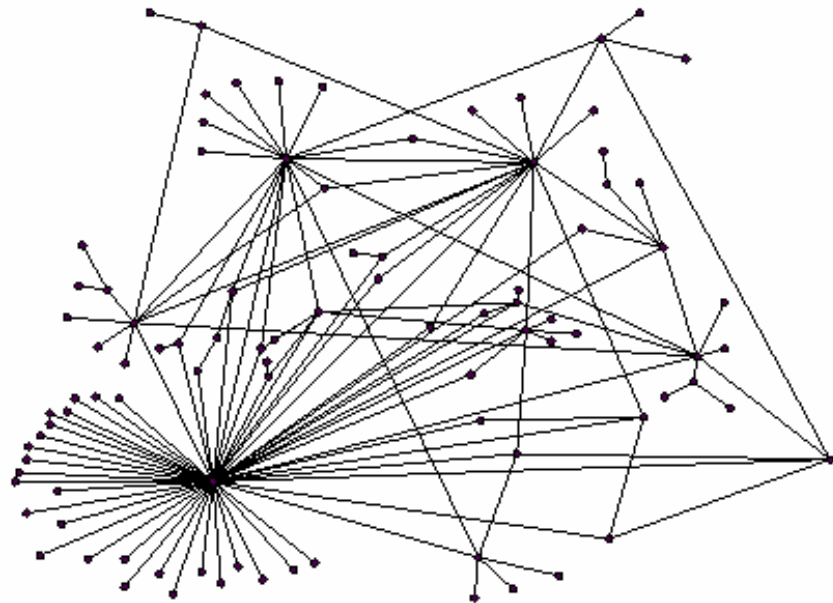
- Web contains many sources of information.
 - Who to “trust”?
- What is the “best” answer to query “newspaper”?
 - No single right answer

Link Analysis

- The Web is **not** just a collection of documents
 - The hyperlinks are important
- A link from page *A* to page *B* may indicate
 - *A* is related to *B*, or
 - *A* is recommending, citing, voting for, or endorsing *B*
- Types of links:
 - Referential – *click here and get back home*
 - Informational – *click here to get more detail*
- Links influence the ranking of web pages and thus have commercial value

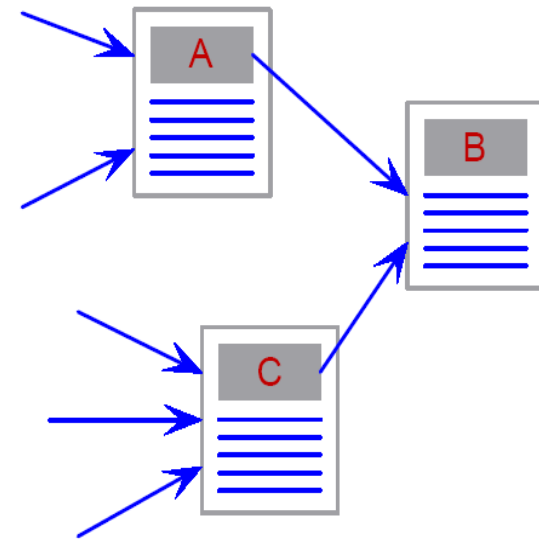
Importance of Web Pages

- Not all web pages are equally important
- A page is important if it is pointed to by other important pages (recursion)



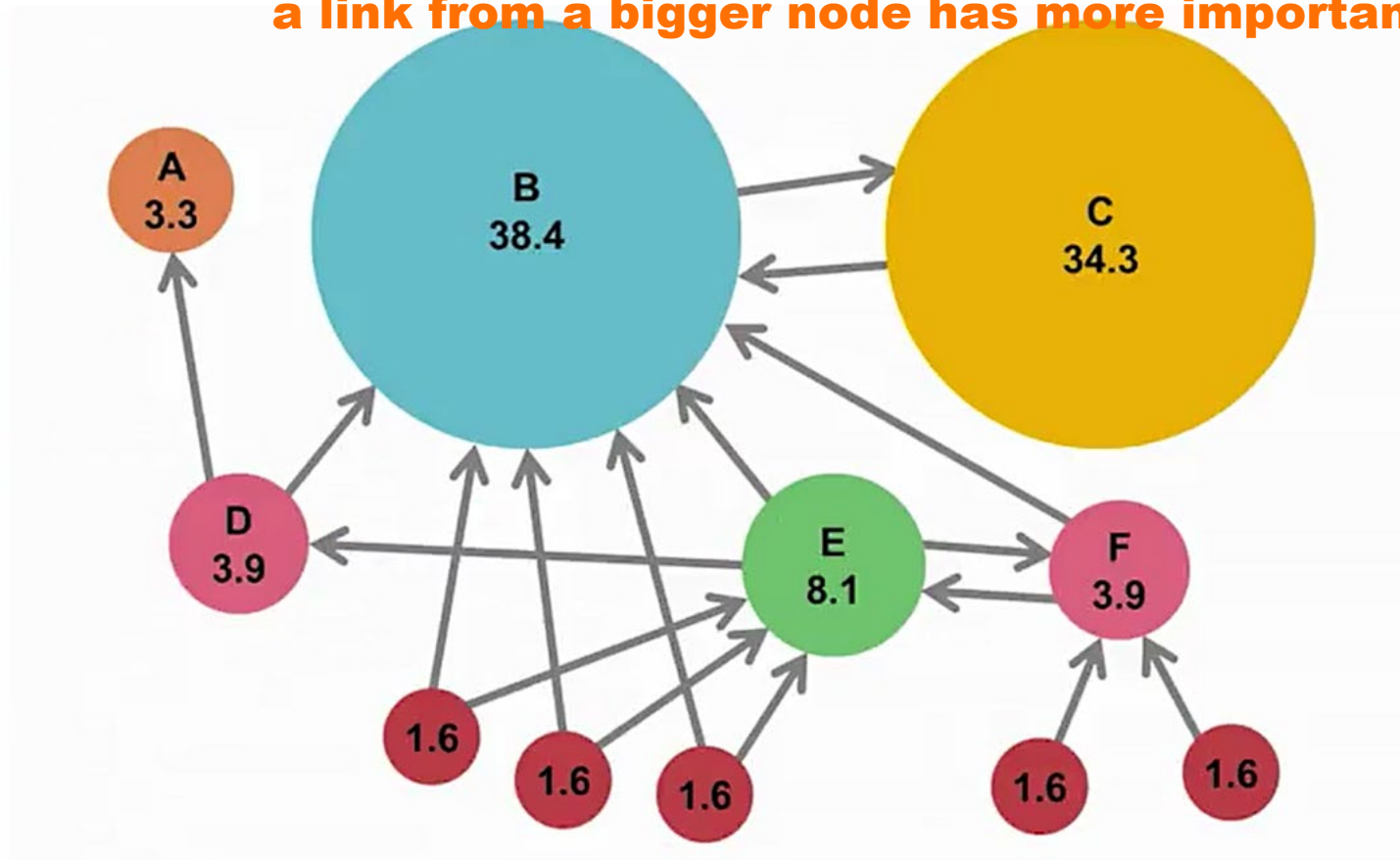
PageRank

- **Idea: Links as votes**
 - A page is more important if it has more links
- **Incoming links to a page is a measure of importance and authority of the page**
 - www.stanford.edu has 23,400 in-links
 - www.joe-schmoe.com has 1 in-link
- **Are all incoming links equal?**
 - Links from important pages count more



Example PageRank Scores

a link from a bigger node has more importance



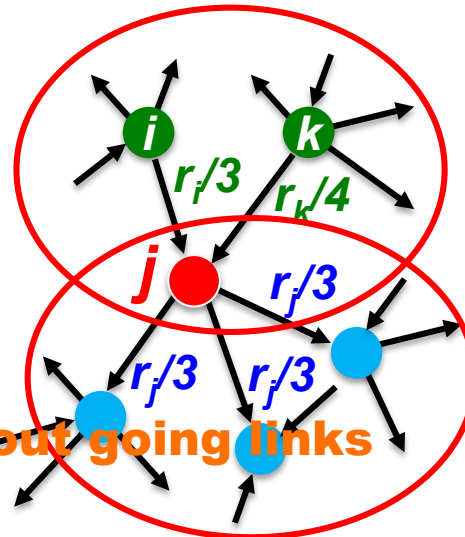
- A “vote” from an important page is worth more
- A page is important if it is pointed to by other important pages

Recursive Formulation

- A link's vote is proportional to the importance of its source page
- If page j with importance r_j has n out-links, each link gets r_j / n votes
- Page j 's own importance is the sum of the votes on its in-links

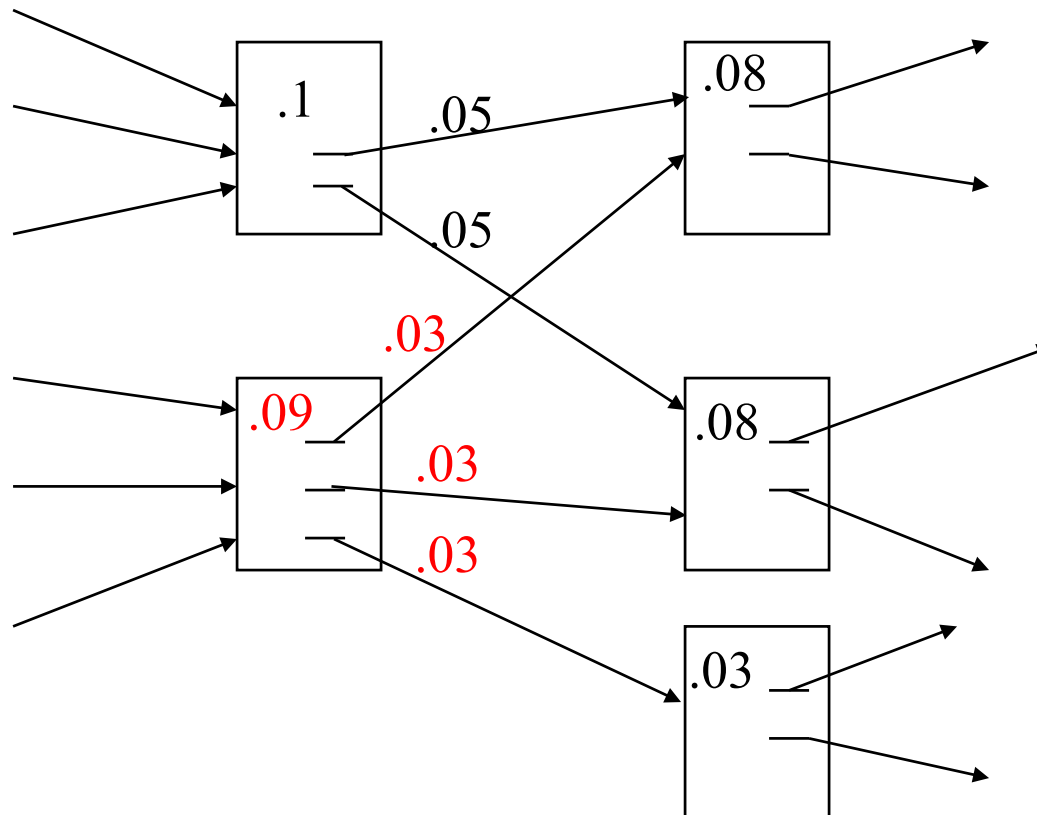
$$r_j = r_i/3 + r_k/4$$

how many out going links



Flow Model

- Can view it as a process of PageRank “flowing” from pages to the pages they point to



Flow Model

- Define a rank r_j for page j

$$r_j = \sum_{i \rightarrow j} \frac{r_i}{d_i}$$

d_i is the out-degree of node i

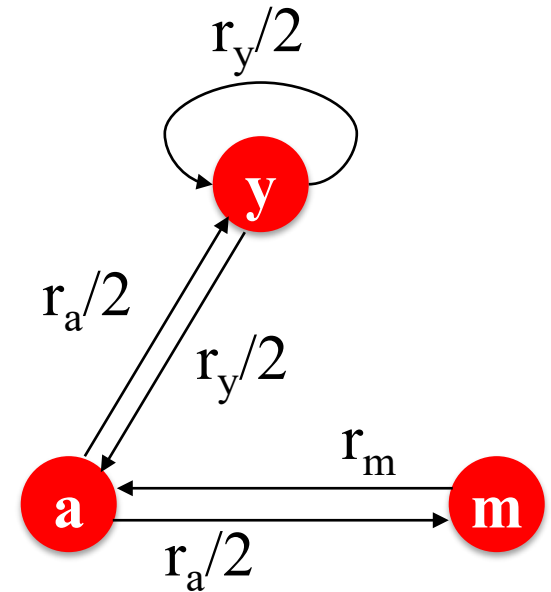
- Flow Equations

$$r_y = r_y/2 + r_a/2$$

$$r_a = r_y/2 + r_m$$

$$r_m = r_a/2$$

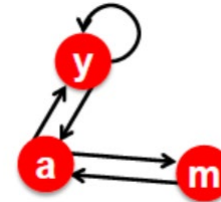
the incoming edges



Matrix Formulation

- **Stochastic adjacency matrix M**

- Let page i has d_i outlinks
- If $i \rightarrow j$, then $M_{ji} = 1/d_i$ else $M_{ji} = 0$
- M is a column stochastic matrix
 - Columns sum to 1



	y	a	m
y	1/2	1/2	0
a	1/2	0	1
m	0	1/2	0

- **Rank vector r**

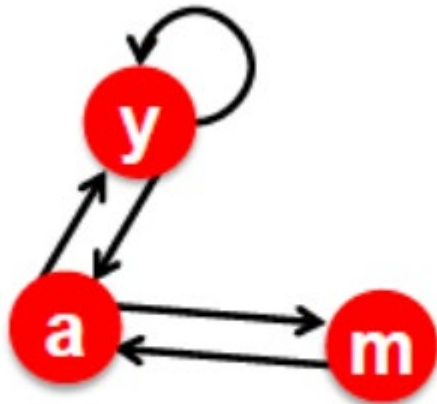
- Vector with one entry per page
- r_i is the importance score of page i

$$\sum_i r_i = 1$$

- **Flow equations can be written in matrix form $r = M \cdot r$**

$$r_j = \sum_{i \rightarrow j} \frac{r_i}{d_i}$$

Example Flow Equations and M



	y	a	m
y	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	0
a	$\frac{1}{2}$	0	1
m	0	$\frac{1}{2}$	0

$$\begin{aligned}
 r_y &= r_y/2 + r_a/2 \\
 r_a &= r_y/2 + r_m \\
 r_m &= r_a/2
 \end{aligned}$$

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$$\begin{bmatrix} y \\ a \\ m \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} & 0 \\ \frac{1}{2} & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & \frac{1}{2} & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} y \\ a \\ m \end{bmatrix}$$

Power Iteration Method

- Given a web graph with n nodes, where the nodes are pages and edges are hyperlinks
- Power iteration – simple iterative scheme

- Suppose there are N web pages

- Initialize $\mathbf{r}^{(0)} = [1/N, \dots, 1/N]^T$

- Iterate: $\mathbf{r}^{(t+1)} = \mathbf{M} \cdot \mathbf{r}^{(t)}$

$$r_j^{(t+1)} = \sum_{i \rightarrow j} \frac{r_i^{(t)}}{d_i}$$

d_i out-degree of node i

- Stop when $|\mathbf{r}^{(t+1)} - \mathbf{r}^{(t)}|_1 < \varepsilon$

- $|\mathbf{x}|_1 = \sum_{i \in [1, N]} |x_i|$ is the L_1 norm

- Can use any other vector norm e.g., Euclidean

Example

- Power Iteration:**

Set $r_j = 1/N$

1: $r'_j = \sum_{i \rightarrow j} \frac{r_i}{d_i}$

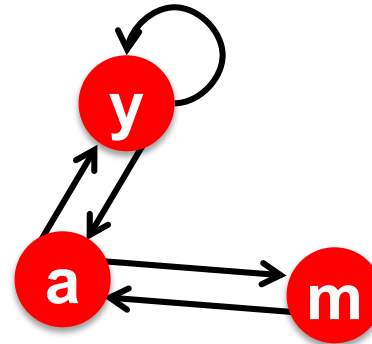
2: $r = r'$

Goto 1

- Example:**

$$\begin{bmatrix} r_y \\ r_a \\ r_m \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1/3 & 1/3 & 5/12 & 9/24 & 6/15 \\ 1/3 & & & & \\ 1/3 & & & & \end{bmatrix}$$

Iteration 0, 1, 2, ...



	y	a	m
y	1/2	1/2	0
a	1/2	0	1
m	0	1/2	0

$$r_y = r_y/2 + r_a/2$$

$$r_a = r_y/2 + r_m$$

$$r_m = r_a/2$$

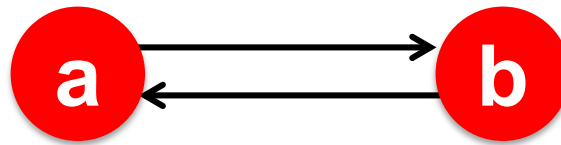
PageRank

$$r_j^{(t+1)} = \sum_{i \rightarrow j} \frac{r_i^{(t)}}{d_i} \quad \text{or equivalently} \quad \mathbf{r} = \mathbf{M}\mathbf{r}$$

- **Questions:**

1. Does this converge?
2. Does it converge to what we want?

Does this converge?

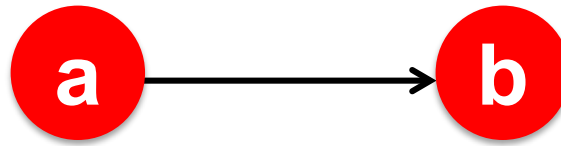


$$r_j^{(t+1)} = \sum_{i \rightarrow j} \frac{r_i^{(t)}}{d_i}$$

$$\begin{matrix} r_a \\ r_b \end{matrix} = \begin{matrix} 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \end{matrix}$$

Iteration 0, 1, 2, ...

Does it converge to what we want?



$$r_j^{(t+1)} = \sum_{i \rightarrow j} \frac{r_i^{(t)}}{d_i}$$

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Iteration 0, 1, 2, ...

Problems on Real Web

- **Imagine a random web surfer**

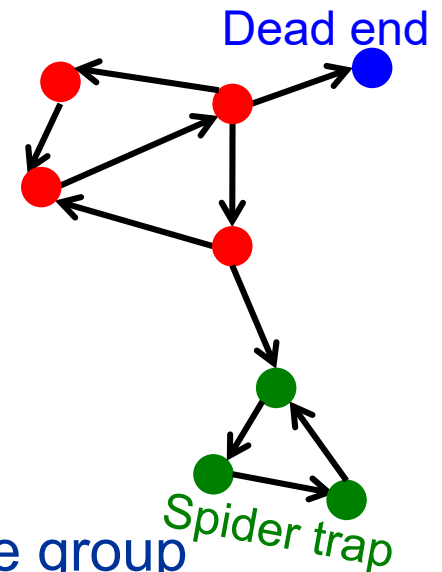
- At any time t , surfer is on some page i
- At time $t+1$, surfer follows an out-link from i uniformly at random
- Ends up on some page j linked from i

- **Dead ends**

- A page has no out-links
- Random walk has “nowhere” to go to
- Such pages cause importance to “leak out”

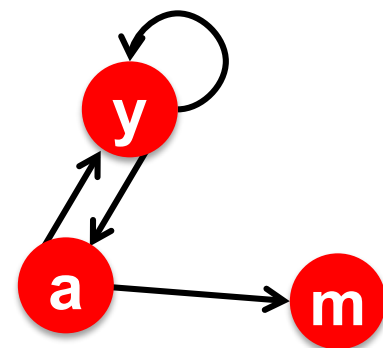
- **Spider traps**

- A group of pages have no out-links out of the group
- Random walk gets “stuck” in a trap
- Eventually spider traps absorb all importance



Problem: Dead Ends

- A page with no out-links
- Random walk has “nowhere” to go to
- All importance “leaks out of” the Web!
- Matrix is not stochastic so initial assumptions are not met



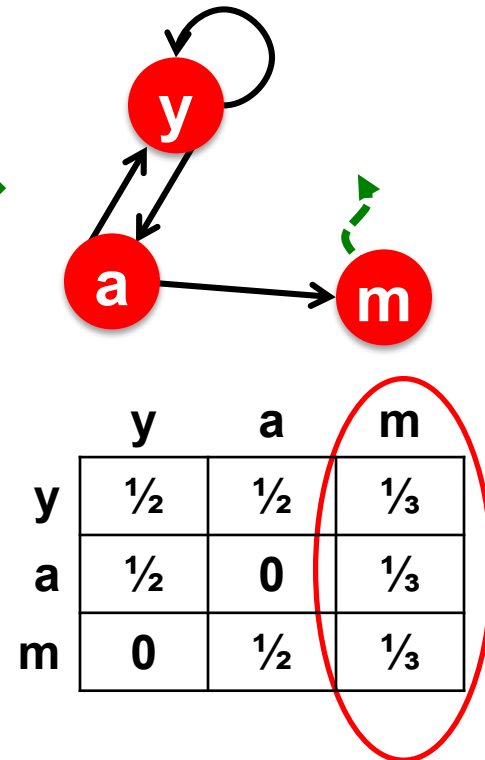
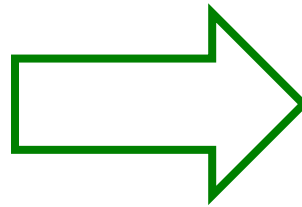
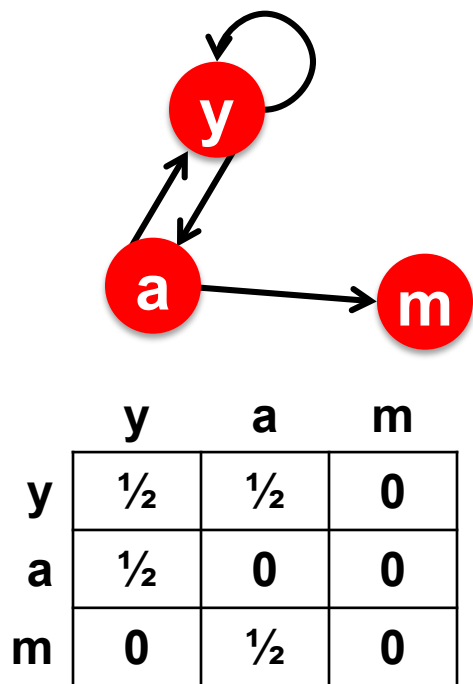
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Iteration 0, 1, 2, ...

Solution: Teleport

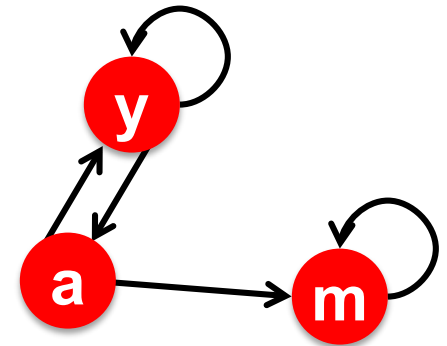
- Adjust the matrix to allow a surfer to jump to some random page from dead ends



Problem: Spider Traps

- A group of pages with no links out of the group
- Random walk gets “stuck” in a trap
- Accumulate all the importance of the Web

All the PageRank score gets “trapped” in node m

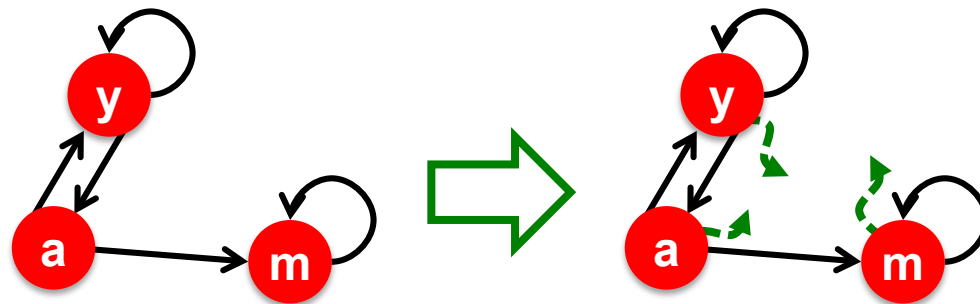


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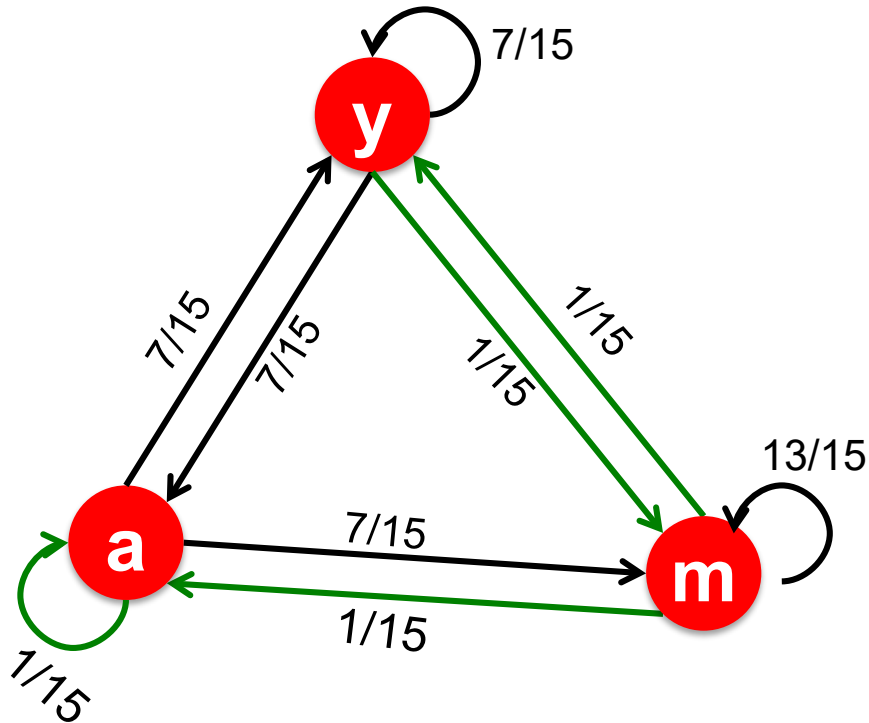
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Solution: Teleport

- **At each time step, a random surfer has two options**
 - With probability β , follow a link at random
 - With probability $1-\beta$, jump to some random page
 - Common values for β are in the range 0.8 to 0.9
- **Surfer will teleport out of spider trap within a few time steps**



Random Teleports ($\beta = 0.8$)



$$0.8 \begin{bmatrix} 1/2 & 1/2 & 0 \\ 1/2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1/2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} + 0.2 \begin{bmatrix} 1/3 & 1/3 & 1/3 \\ 1/3 & 1/3 & 1/3 \\ 1/3 & 1/3 & 1/3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{matrix} y \\ a \\ m \end{matrix} \begin{bmatrix} 7/15 & 7/15 & 1/15 \\ 7/15 & 1/15 & 1/15 \\ 1/15 & 7/15 & 13/15 \end{bmatrix}$$

A

$$\begin{matrix} \mathbf{r}_y \\ \mathbf{r}_a \\ \mathbf{r}_m \end{matrix} = \begin{matrix} 1/3 & 0.33 & 0.24 & 0.26 & & 7/33 \\ 1/3 & 0.20 & 0.20 & 0.18 & \dots & 5/33 \\ 1/3 & 0.46 & 0.52 & 0.56 & & 21/33 \end{matrix}$$

Limitations of PageRank

- **Measures generic popularity of a page**
 - Ignore or miss topic-specific authorities
 - **Solution:** Topic-specific PageRank
- **Uses a single measure of importance**
 - Other models of importance
 - **Solution:** Hubs-and-Authorities
- **Susceptible to link spam**
 - Artificial link topologies created in order to boost page rank
 - **Solution:** TrustRank

Topic-Specific PageRank

- Instead of generic popularity, can we measure popularity within a topic?
- **Goal:** Evaluate Web pages not just according to their popularity, but by how close they are to a particular topic, e.g. “sports” or “history”
- Allows search queries to be answered based on interests of the user
 - **Example:** Is “Jaguar” an animal, the automobile, or a version of MAC OS?

Topic-Specific PageRank

- Recall random walker has a small probability of teleporting at any step
 - Standard PageRank: Any page with equal probability
 - Topic Specific PageRank: Teleport set is restricted to a topic-specific set of “relevant” pages
- **Idea: Bias the random walk**
 - When random walker teleports, pick a page from a set \mathbf{S} of web pages
 - \mathbf{S} contains only pages that are relevant to the topic
 - Get a different rank vector $\mathbf{r}_{\mathbf{S}}$ for each teleport set \mathbf{S}

Topic-Specific PageRank

- **Decide on topics to create PageRank vectors**
 - Open Directory (DMOZ) (www.dmoz.org)
 - The 16 DMOZ top-level categories: arts, business, sports, ...
- **Pick a teleport set for each of these topics, and compute the topic-sensitive PageRank vector for that topic**
- **Determine the topic that is most relevant for a query**
 - User picks from a menu
 - Query context e.g., query from a web page on a known topic
 - User context e.g., user's bookmarks
- **Use the PageRank vectors for that topic to order results to the search query**

TrustRank – Combating Web Spam

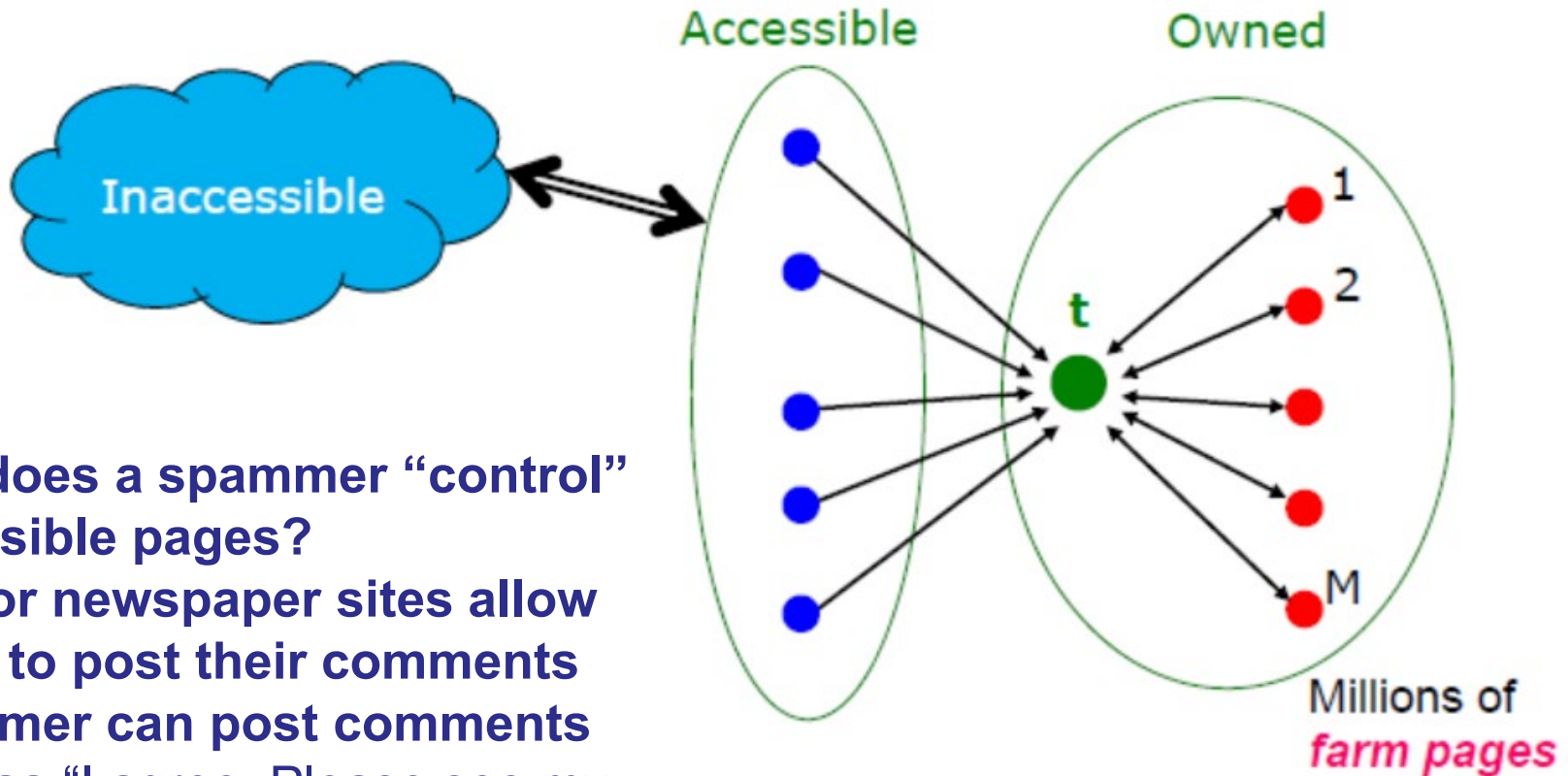
- **Spamming**

- Any deliberate action to boost a web page's position in search engine results, incommensurate with page's real value
- Approximately **10-15%** of web pages are spam

- **Link Spam**

- Create link structures that boost the PageRank of a particular page

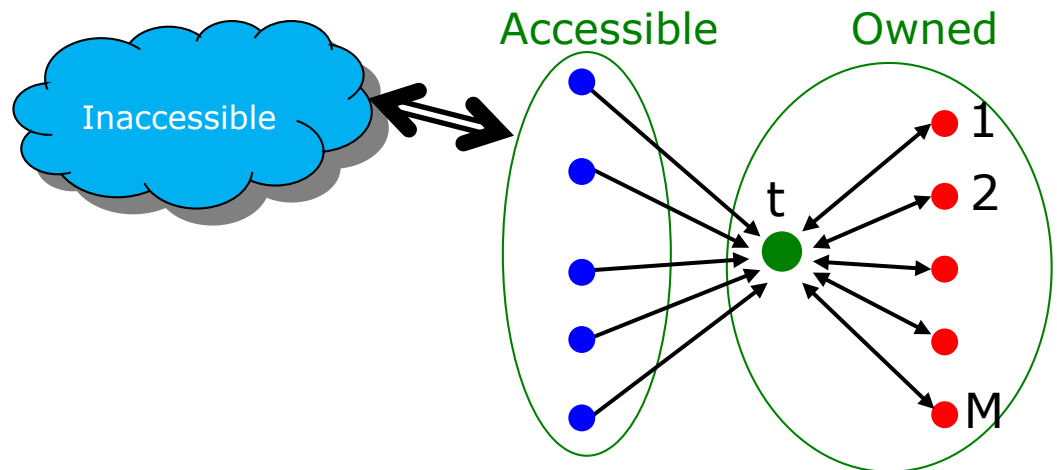
Spammer's View of the Web



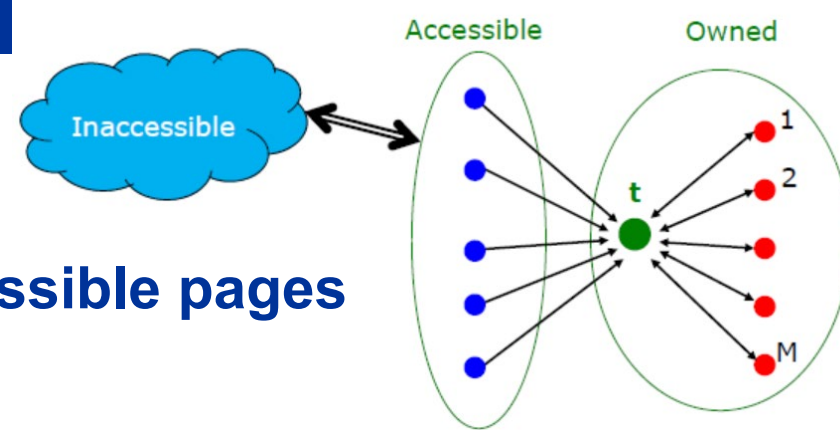
- How does a spammer “control” accessible pages?
- Blog or newspaper sites allow users to post their comments
- Spammer can post comments such as “I agree. Please see my article at www.mySpamFarm.com”

Link Farms

- Spammer's goal is to maximize the PageRank of target page t
- Get as many links from accessible pages as possible to target page t
- Construct “link farm” to get PageRank multiplier effect



Analysis



x: PageRank contributed by accessible pages

y: PageRank of target page t

N: Total number of web pages

Rank of each “farm” page $= \frac{\beta y}{M} + \frac{1-\beta}{N}$

$$y = x + \beta M \left[\frac{\beta y}{M} + \frac{1-\beta}{N} \right] + \frac{1-\beta}{N}$$

$$y = \frac{x}{1-\beta^2} + c \frac{M}{N} \quad \text{where } c = \frac{\beta}{1+\beta}$$

Let $\beta = 0.85$. Then $1/(1 - \beta^2) = 3.6$, and $c = 0.46$

- External PageRank (**x**) increased by 360%!
- Obtain additional amount of PageRank that is 46% of the fraction of the Web, M/N , that is in the spam farm
- By making M large, we can make y as large as we want

How to Combat Link Spam?

- **Detect and blacklist structures that look like spam farms**
 - One page links to a very large number of pages, each of which links back to it
 - Leads to more sophisticated way of hiding spam farms, and detecting them...
- **TrustRank: Topic-specific PageRank with a teleport set of **trusted** pages**
 - e.g, **.edu** domains, **.gov** domains, etc
 - Lower the score of spam pages

TrustRank

- **Basic principle: Approximate isolation**
 - It is rare for a “good” (trustworthy) page to point to a “bad” (spam) page
- **Sample a set of seed pages from the web**
- **An oracle (human) identifies the good pages and the spam pages in the seed set**
 - Expensive task, so keep seed set small
 - Subset of pages in the seed set that are identified as good are called the **trusted pages**

Trust Propagation

- **Perform a topic-sensitive PageRank with the trusted pages as the teleport set**
- **Propagate trust through links**
 - Each page gets a trust value between 0 and 1
- **Use a threshold value and mark all pages below the trust threshold as spam**

Trust Propagation (Simple Model)

- **Set trust of each trusted page to 1**
- **Suppose trust of page p is t_p**
 - p has a set of out-links o_p
- **For each $q \in o_p$, p confers the trust to q**
 - $\beta t_p / |o_p|$ for $0 < \beta < 1$
- **Trust is additive**
 - Trust of p is the sum of the trust conferred on p by all its in-linked pages
- **Trust attenuation**
 - Degree of trust conferred by a trusted page decreases with the distance in the graph
- **Trust splitting**
 - The larger the number of out-links, the less scrutiny the page author gives each out-link; trust is split across out-links

Picking the Seed Set

- **Two conflicting considerations:**
 - Human has to inspect each seed page → seed set must be small
 - Must ensure every **good page** gets adequate trust rank → need to make all good pages reachable from seed set by short paths

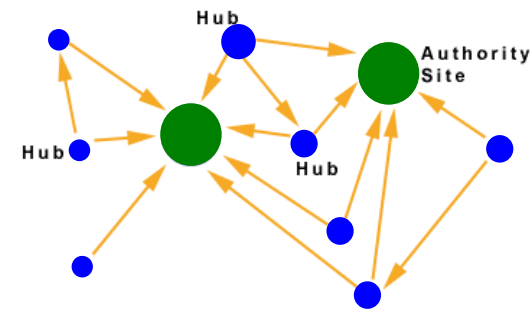
1. Use PageRank to pick the top-k pages

- Theory is a bad page cannot have very high rank

2. Use trusted domains with controlled membership

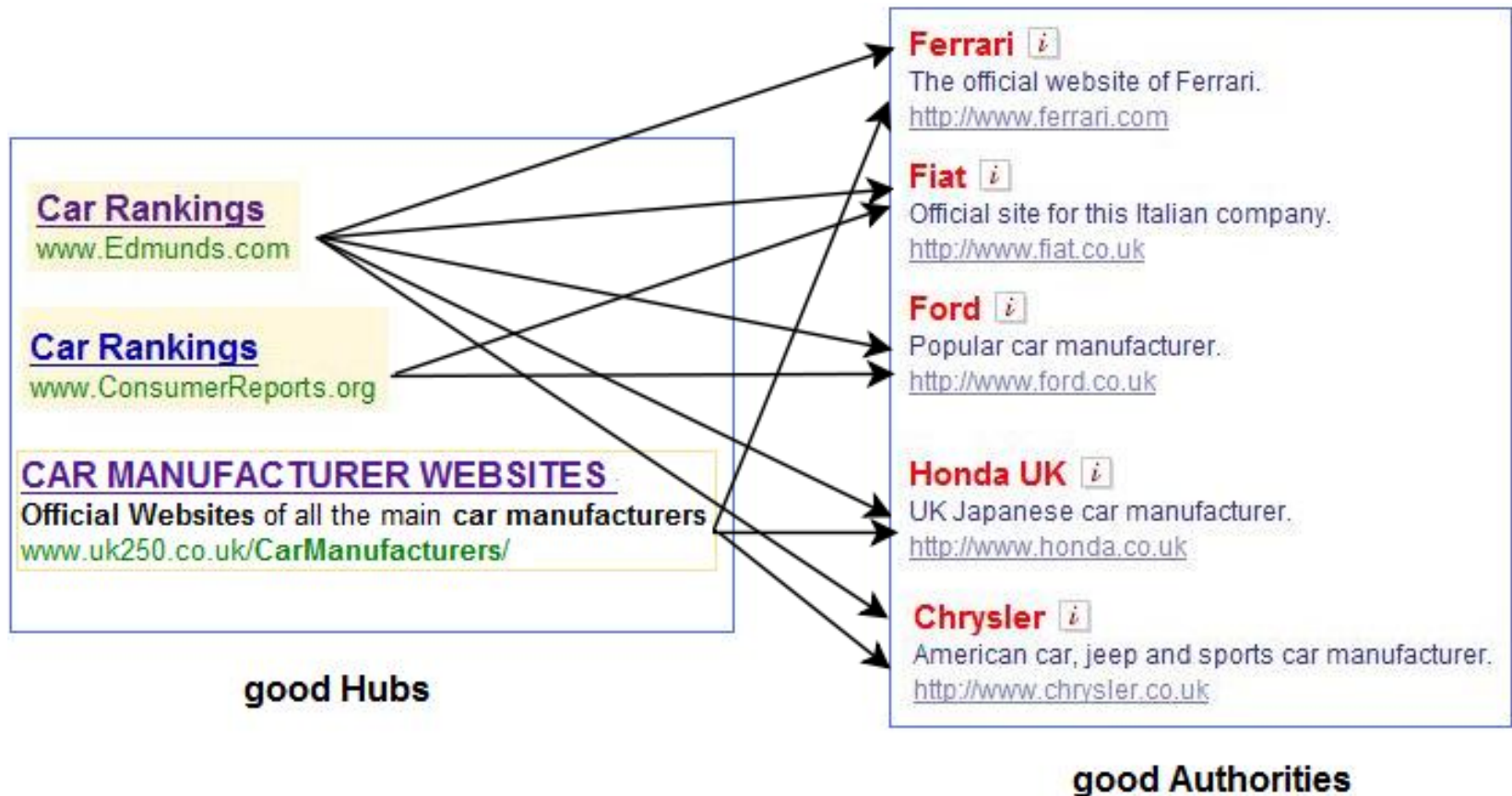
- E.g. university pages (.edu)
or government pages (.gov)

Hubs and Authorities



- **HITS (Hypertext-Induced Topic Selection)**
 - Originally developed to rank answer pages to a query, same logic can be applied to rank Web pages
 - A measure of importance of pages (similar to PageRank)
- **Goal: Don't just find pages with relevant content, find pages that link to these relevant content**
 - E.g., don't just find trusted news, find also “experts” that point you to the quality news
- **Idea: Links are votes; A page is more important if it has more links**
 - In-coming links? Out-going links?

Hubs and Authorities



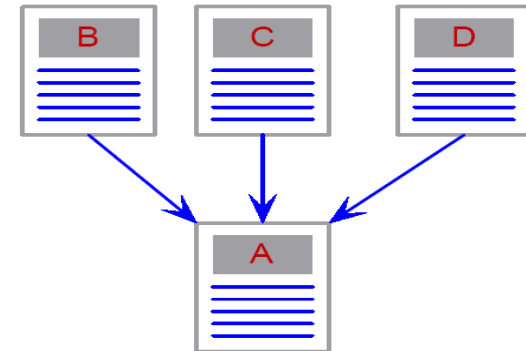
Query: **Top automobile makers**

Hub and Authorities

- Each page has 2 roles, hence 2 scores

(1) Authority

- Pages that contain useful information (quality in providing content) e.g., course home pages
- Voted or linked by “experts” (hubs)
- A good authority is linked from many good hubs

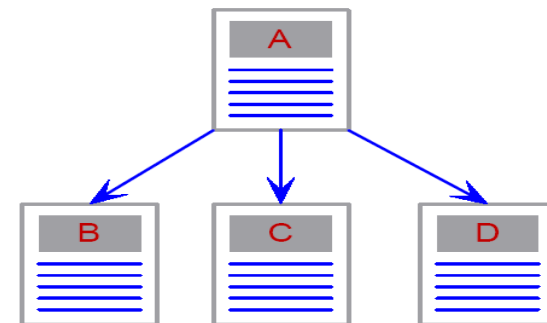


A is an authority

(2) Hub

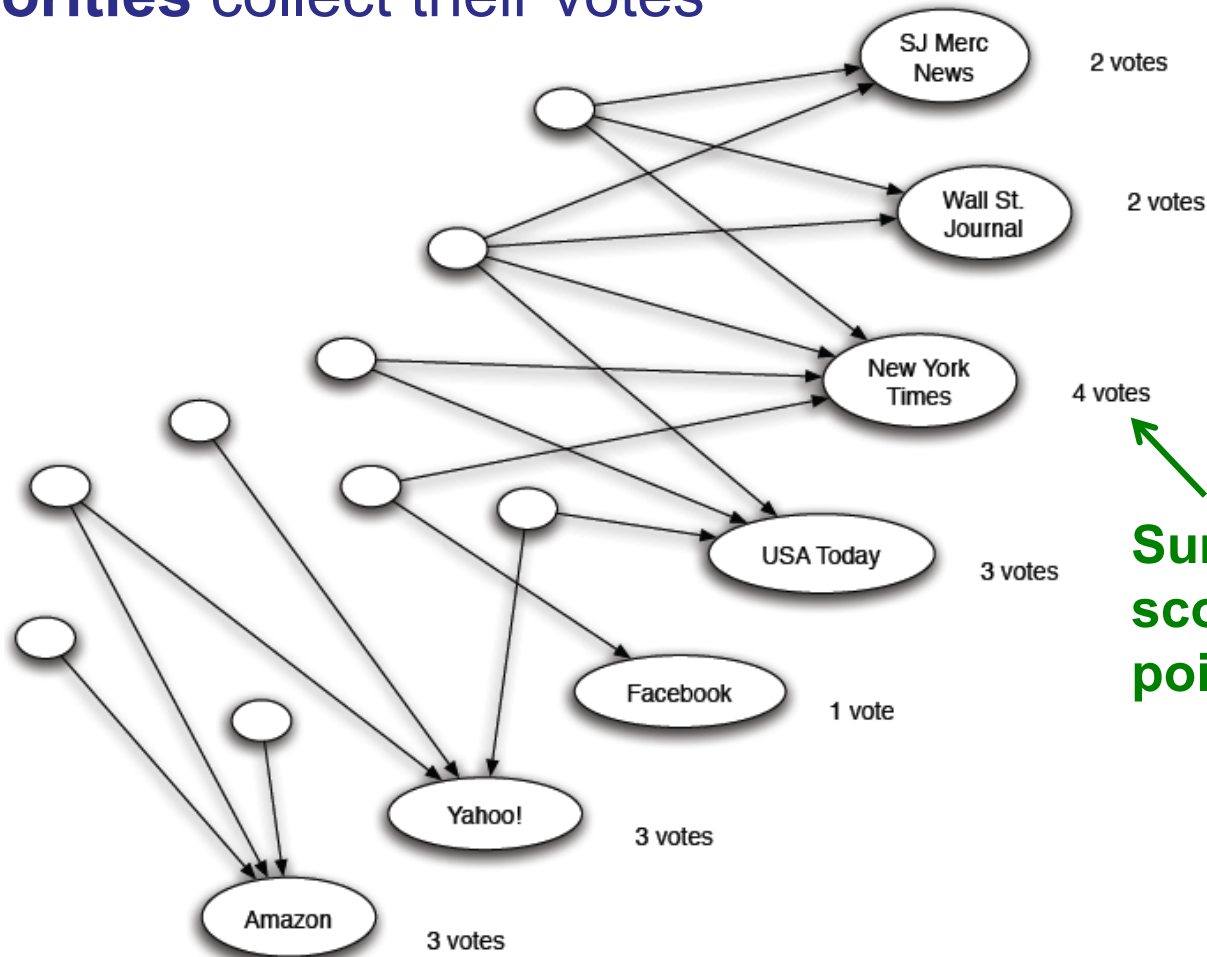
- Pages that link to authorities (quality as an expert) e.g., list of course home pages
- Votes of authorities pointed to
- A good hub links to many authorities

A is a hub



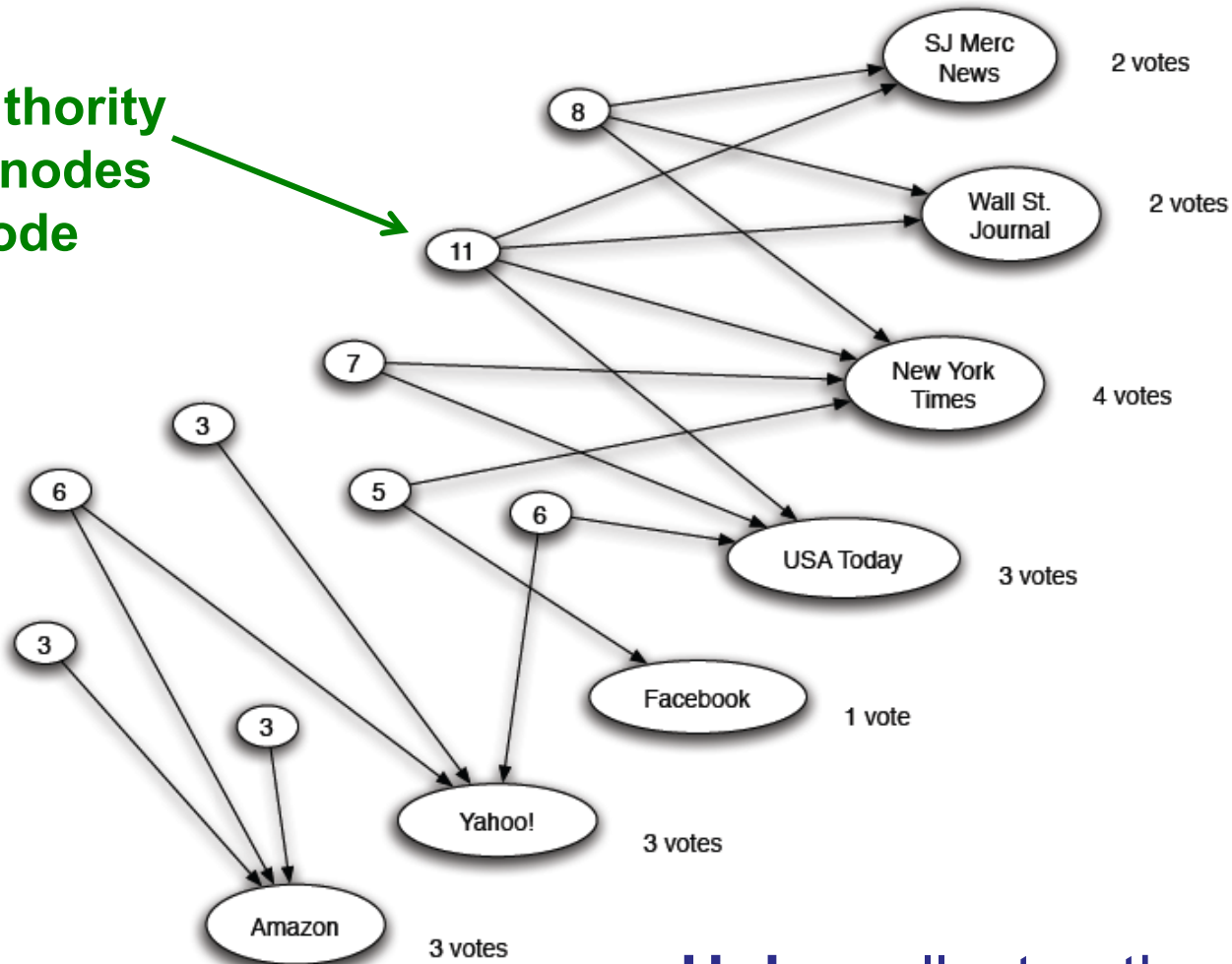
Counting in-links: Authority

- Each page starts with **hub** score 1
- **Authorities** collect their votes



Expert Quality: Hub

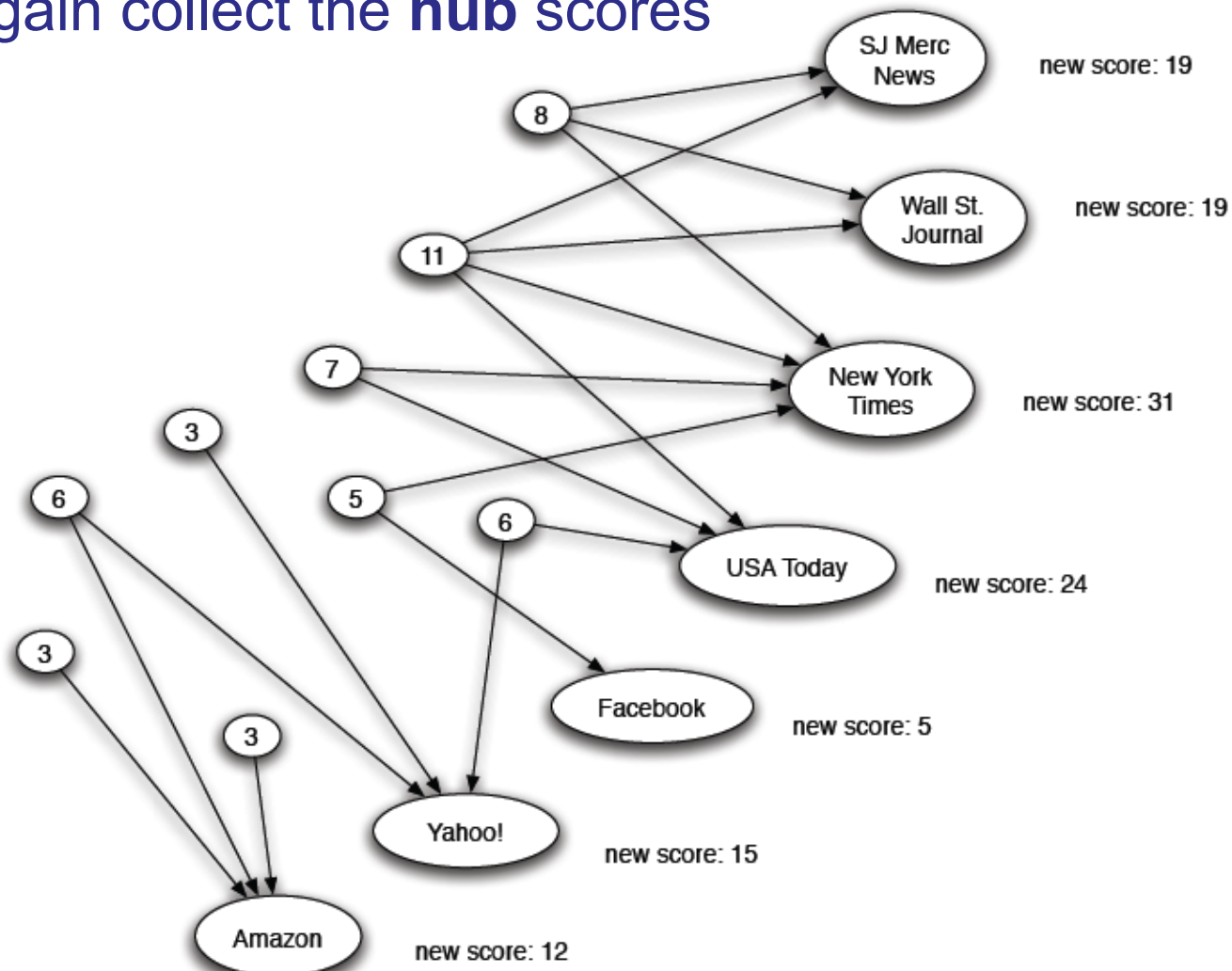
Sum of authority scores of nodes that the node points to.



- **Hubs** collect authority scores

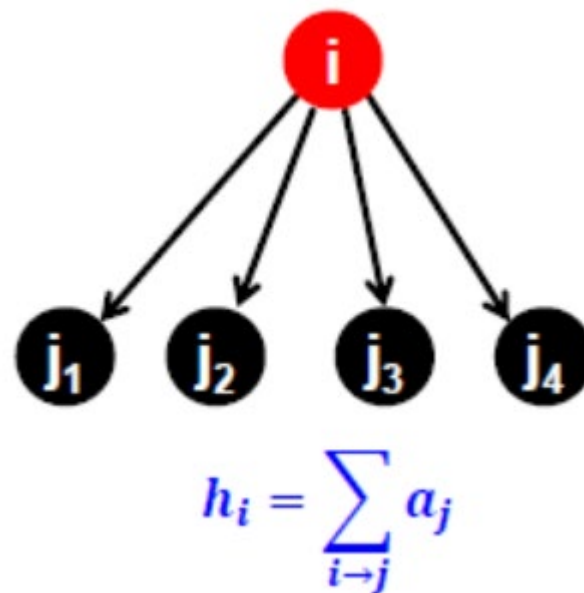
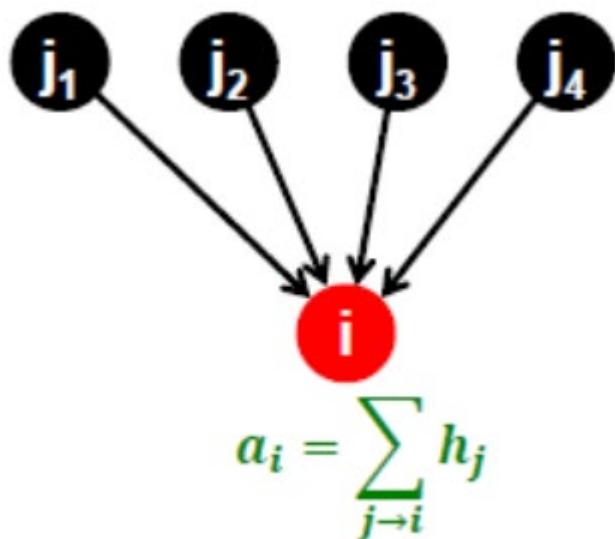
Mutual (recursive) Reinforcement

- **Authorities** again collect the **hub** scores



Computing Hubs and Authorities

- Each page i has 2 scores
 - Authority score: a_i
 - Hub score: h_i



Computing Hubs and Authorities

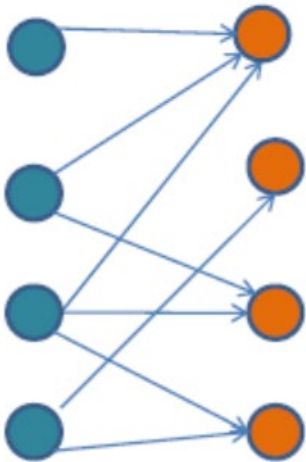
- **HITS is iterative**
 - Keep iterating until convergence
 - Mutual reinforcing relationship

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \forall i: \text{Authority: } a_i^{(t+1)} = \sum_{j \rightarrow i} h_j^{(t)} \\ \forall i: \text{Hub: } h_i^{(t+1)} = \sum_{i \rightarrow j} a_j^{(t)} \end{array} \right.$$

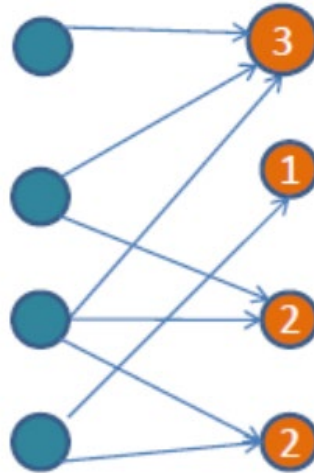
Example

What's the problem?

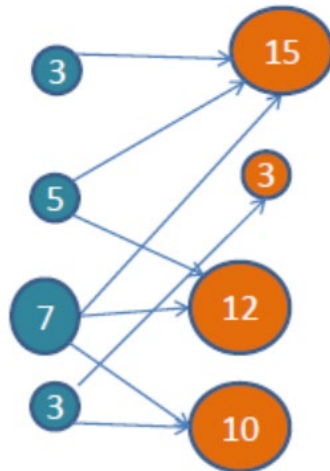
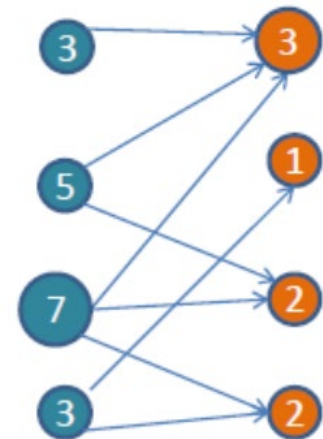
Initial graph



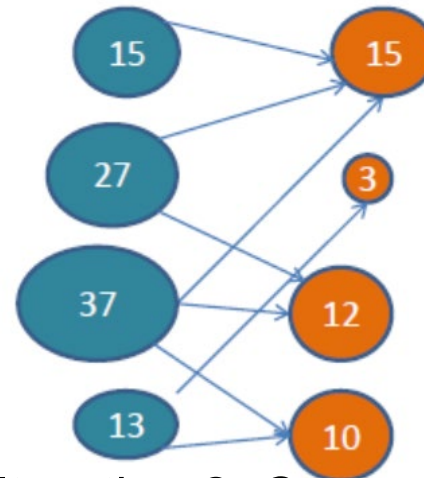
Iteration 1: Compute a



Iteration 1: Compute h



Iteration 2: Compute a



Iteration 2: Compute h

Need to Normalize Scores!

Initialize: $a_j^{(0)} = 1/\sqrt{N}$, $h_j^{(0)} = 1/\sqrt{N}$

Iterate till convergence

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \forall \mathbf{i} \text{ compute } \mathbf{a} \text{ and } \mathbf{h} \\ \forall \mathbf{i}: \text{ Normalize:} \\ \sum_i \left(a_i^{(t+1)} \right)^2 = 1, \sum_j \left(h_j^{(t+1)} \right)^2 = 1 \end{array} \right.$$

Does HITS converge?

- HITS converges to a single stable point

- Notations:

Vector $\mathbf{a} = (a_1 \dots, a_n)$, $\mathbf{h} = (h_1 \dots, h_n)$

Adjacency matrix \mathbf{A} ($N \times N$): $A_{ij} = 1$ if $i \rightarrow j$, 0 otherwise

- $\mathbf{h}_i = \sum_{i \rightarrow j} \mathbf{a}_j$ can be rewritten as $\mathbf{h}_i = \sum_j A_{ij} \cdot \mathbf{a}_j$

- We have $\mathbf{h} = \mathbf{A} \cdot \mathbf{a}$

- $\mathbf{a}_i = \sum_{j \rightarrow i} \mathbf{h}_j$ can be rewritten as
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- We have $\mathbf{a} = \mathbf{A}^T \cdot \mathbf{h}$

Hubs and Authorities

- HITS algorithm in vector notation

$$\text{Set: } \mathbf{a}_i = \mathbf{h}_i = \frac{\mathbf{1}}{\sqrt{n}}$$

- Repeat until convergence

$$\mathbf{h} = \mathbf{A} \cdot \mathbf{a}$$

$$\mathbf{a} = \mathbf{A}^T \cdot \mathbf{h}$$

Normalize \mathbf{a} and \mathbf{h}

- Now
$$\mathbf{a} = \mathbf{A}^T \cdot \underbrace{(\underbrace{\mathbf{A} \cdot \mathbf{a}}_{\text{new } \mathbf{h}})}_{\text{new } \mathbf{a}}$$

Convergence criterion:

$$\sum_i \left(h_i^{(t)} - h_i^{(t-1)} \right)^2 < \varepsilon$$

$$\sum_i \left(a_i^{(t)} - a_i^{(t-1)} \right)^2 < \varepsilon$$

\mathbf{a} is updated (in 2 steps):

$$\mathbf{a} = \mathbf{A}^T (\mathbf{A} \mathbf{a}) = (\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{A}) \mathbf{a}$$

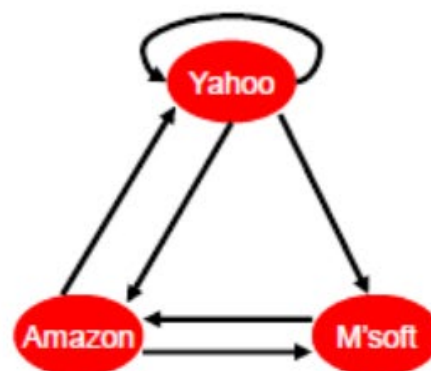
\mathbf{h} is updated (in 2 steps):

$$\mathbf{h} = \mathbf{A} (\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{h}) = (\mathbf{A} \mathbf{A}^T) \mathbf{h}$$

Example of HITS

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

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



$$h(\text{yahoo}) = .58$$

$$h(\text{amazon}) = .58$$

$$h(\text{m'soft}) = .58$$

$$a(\text{yahoo}) = .58$$

$$a(\text{amazon}) = .58$$

$$a(\text{m'soft}) = .58$$

PageRank vs HITS

- **PageRank and HITS are two solutions to same problem**
 - Make use of link structure to rank pages
- **Which one is more suitable for large dataset?**
 - PageRank computed for all web pages and stored prior to query
 - HITS operates on a (query dependent) small subgraph from web graph
- **What is the value of an in-link from u to v ?**
 - In the PageRank model, the value of the link depends on the **links into u**
 - In the HITS model, it depends on the value of the other **links out of u** (vulnerable to spam)

Summary

- **Link analysis in social network graphs to find communities**
- **Girvan-Newman algorithm use edge betweenness measure to separate nodes into communities**
- **Content of web pages and hyperlinks are important in web search**
- **Page Rank algorithm determine importance of web pages**
- **Trust Rank algorithm to overcome link spams**