

# Combining random walks and nonparametric topic model for network community detection

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# Where do the inspirations come from

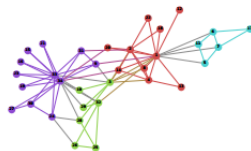
RW-HDP combines **random walks** and **topic model** for community detection.

Conducting random walks is a way of aggregating information. Each random walker is an agent who explores a local part of the network. Combining the information they collected properly, we get a big picture of the network.

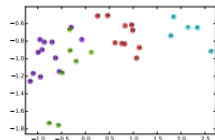
Topic models are generative models that generally used for documents analysis.

# Deepwalk

- 1 Conduct short random walks on the network
- 2 Treat them as sentences
- 3 Deep learning for word (vertex) embedding
- 4 Use embedding for other tasks



(a) Input: Karate Graph



(b) Output: Representation

In this model, each node is associated with a social interaction profile, which only takes a node's immediate and secondary neighbors into consideration. Those social interaction profiles are treated as documents for community detection using Latent Dirichlet Allocation.

- ① Conduct random walks on the network. Treat vertexes as words, communities as topics, and random walks as documents
- ② Use topic model to find the topic structure of each document
- ③ Use Bayes theorem to find the probabilities of a vertex belonging to different topics and classify it to the largest one

# Random walks

Let  $N_d$  be the length of the  $d^{th}$  random walks. The length can either be fixed or is a Poisson random variable.

Randomly sample  $D$  vertexes from the network as starting points of random walks.

Conduct  $D$  random walks and treat them as documents.



# HDP topic model: stick breaking construction

- ① Draw an infinite number of topics,  $\beta_k \sim \text{Dirichlet}(\eta)$ ,  $k = 1, 2, \dots$
- ② Draw corpus breaking proportions,  $v_k \sim \text{Beta}(1, \gamma)$ ,  $k = 1, 2, \dots$
- ③ For each document:
  - ① Draw document-level topic indexes,  $c_{di} \sim \text{Multinomial}(\sigma(v))$ ,  $i = 1, 2, \dots$
  - ② Draw document breaking proportions,  $\pi_{di} \sim \text{Beta}(1, \alpha)$ ,  $i = 1, 2, \dots$
  - ③ For each word:
    - ① Draw topic assignment  $z_{dn} \sim \text{Multinomial}(\sigma(\pi_d))$ .
    - ② Draw word  $w_{dn} \sim \text{Multinomial}(\phi_{c_d, z_{dn}})$ .

# Graph representation

There should be a picture.

# Conditional distributions

Using Markov blanket we get the following conditional distributions

$$p(z_{dn}^i = 1 | \pi_d, \beta_{1:\infty}, w_{dn}, c_d) \propto \exp\{\log \sigma_i(\pi_d) + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} c_{di}^k \log \beta_{k, w_{dn}}\}$$

$$p(c_{di}^k = 1 | \nu, \beta_{1:\infty}, w_d, z_d) \propto \exp\{\log \sigma_k(\nu) + \sum_{n=1}^N \log \beta_{k, w_{dn}}\}$$

$$p(\pi_{di} | z_d) \sim \text{Beta}(1 + \sum_{n=1}^N z_{dn}^i, \alpha + \sum_{n=1}^N \sum_{j>i} z_{dn}^j)$$

$$p(v_k | c) \sim \text{Beta}(1 + \sum_{d=1}^D \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} c_{di}^k, \omega + \sum_{d=1}^D \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \sum_{j>k} c_{di}^j)$$

$$p(\beta_k | z, c, w) \sim \text{Dirichlet}(\eta + \sum_{d=1}^D \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} c_{di}^k \sum_{n=1}^N z_{dn}^i w_{dn}).$$

Notice that all of them are in Exponential families.

# Stochastic variational inference

Based on the conditional distributions, we using the following variational family under the mean field assumption

$$q(\beta, \nu, z, \pi) = \left( \prod_{k=1}^K q(\beta_k | \lambda_k) q(\nu_k | a_k) \right) \times \left( \prod_{d=1}^D \prod_{i=1}^T q(c_{di} | \zeta_{di}) q(\pi_{di} | \gamma_{di}) \prod_{n=1}^N q(z_{dn} | \phi_{dn}) \right)$$

The latent variables  $c_{di}, \pi_{di}, z_{dn}$  depends only on a single document, while the global variables  $\nu_k, \beta_k$  depends on all documents. To efficiently update the proxy, we can use [Stochastic Variational Inference](#) method.

# Bayes theorem for community assignment

$$p(c|v) \propto p(c)p(v|c) = \sigma_c(v)\beta_{zv}$$

- 1 yeast: a yeast protein complex interaction network (Yu *et al* 2008).
- 2 GSE: a breast cancer gene co-expression network (Chen *et al* 2010, Chen and Xu 2005).
- 3 ca-GrQc: Arxiv General Relativity and Quantum Cosmology collaboration network. If an author  $i$  co-authored a paper with author  $j$ , the graph contains an undirected edge between  $i$  and  $j$  (Leskovec *et al* 2007).
- 4 ca-CondMat: Arxiv Condense Matter Physics collaboration network (Leskovec *et al* 2007).
- 5 US powergrid: the high-voltage power grid in the Western States of the United States of America. The nodes are transformers, substations, and generators, and the ties are high-voltage transmission lines (Watts *et al* 1998).

Table: Network Statistics

| statistics | yeast   | GSE     | ca-GrQc       | ca-CondMat    | US powergrid |
|------------|---------|---------|---------------|---------------|--------------|
| type       | biology | biology | co-authorship | co-authorship | engineer     |
| nodes      | 1540    | 9112    | 5242          | 16264         | 4941         |
| edges      | 8703    | 244928  | 14478         | 47594         | 6594         |

- 1 Internal density:  $D = \frac{2m_S}{n_S(n_S-1)}$ . This metric scores the community structure based on its internal connectivity. A larger internal density usually means a better community structure (Radicchi *et al* 2004).
- 2 Cut Ratio:  $CR = \frac{c_S}{n_S(n-n_S)}$ , which quantifies the community structure based on its external connectivity. A smaller cut ratio usually means a better community structure (Fortunato 2010).
- 3 Conductance:  $C = \frac{c_S}{2m_S + c_S}$ , which measures the fraction of edge that points outside the cluster. It combines both internal and external connectivity to give a score. A smaller conductance usually means a better community structure (Shi and Malik 2000).
- 4 Modularity:  $Q = \sum_{i=1}^m (e_{ii} - a_i^2)$ , where  $m$  is the number of communities,  $e_{ij}$  the fraction of edges with one end in community  $i$  and the other in community  $j$ ,  $a_i = \sum_j e_{ij}$ . This index falls in  $[-0.5, 1)$ . A larger modularity means a better community structure (Newman 2006).



# comparison models

- ① SSN-LDA (Zhang *et al* 2007), a topic based community detection model.
- ② Walktrap (Pons and Latapy 2006), a random walk based community detection model. This method does not actually implement random walks on the network, but it defines node-to-node distance and community-to-community distance based on properties of random walks, such as the transition probability between any pair of nodes within  $t$  steps. Later, it merges communities iteratively to get a hierarchical tree of partition. Finally, it cuts the tree to get the best partition.
- ③ BCD (Morup and Schmidt 2012), a nonparametric Bayesian network generative model. The generative process is: first, a cluster assignment is generated using Chinese Restaurant Process (a commonly used metaphor for Dirichlet Process); then, within-cluster and between-cluster link probabilities are generated; finally, links between nodes are generated according to the within- and between-cluster link probabilities.

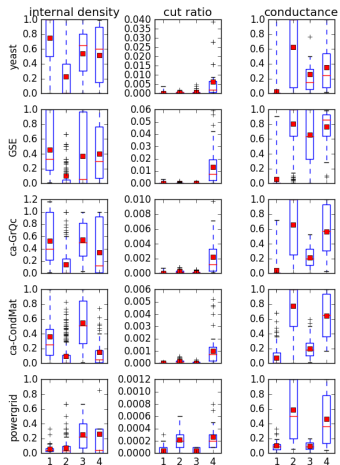


Table: Modularity

| model    | yeast  | GSE    | ca-GrQc | ca-CondMat | US powergrid |
|----------|--------|--------|---------|------------|--------------|
| RW-HDP   | 0.7605 | 0.5967 | 0.7848  | 0.7588     | 0.9087       |
| SIP2-LDA | 0.6995 | 0.5881 | 0.7479  | 0.6615     | 0.7775       |
| Walktrap | 0.6968 | 0.6014 | 0.7430  | 0.7238     | 0.8953       |
| BCD      | 0.6452 | 0.2017 | 0.5378  | 0.5041     | 0.4802       |

Table: Perplexity

| model    | yeast  | GSE     | ca-GrQc | ca-CondMat | US powergrid |
|----------|--------|---------|---------|------------|--------------|
| RW-HDP   | 62.26  | 1124.51 | 504.16  | 1262.18    | 235.46       |
| SIP2-LDA | 279.95 | 1664.80 | 2902.81 | 41920.72   | 7197.49      |

# Pros and Cons

## Pros

- 1 Nonparametric topic model allow community number auto detection
- 2 Soft-clustering
- 3 High accuracy compared to other generative models
- 4 Can be extended to online setting

## Cons

- 1 The inference of probabilistic model is always slow, even SVI is used

# Future works

- 1 Include teleportation to allow single agent to explore a larger area of the network
- 2 Hyperparameters tuning
- 3 Ground truth benchmarks comparison

# References

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# Thank You