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CS 422 Data Mining

Lecture 11

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- ❑ This presentation is based on the book “Mining of Massive Datasets” by Anand Rajaraman and Jeff Ullman and the presentations by Jure Leskovec

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## □ PageRank

## ❑ Page Ranks

- ❑ Mining Massive Datasets Jure Leskovec, Stanford UnivCS246: Mining Massive Datasets Jure Leskovec, Stanford University  
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# Social Network Graphs

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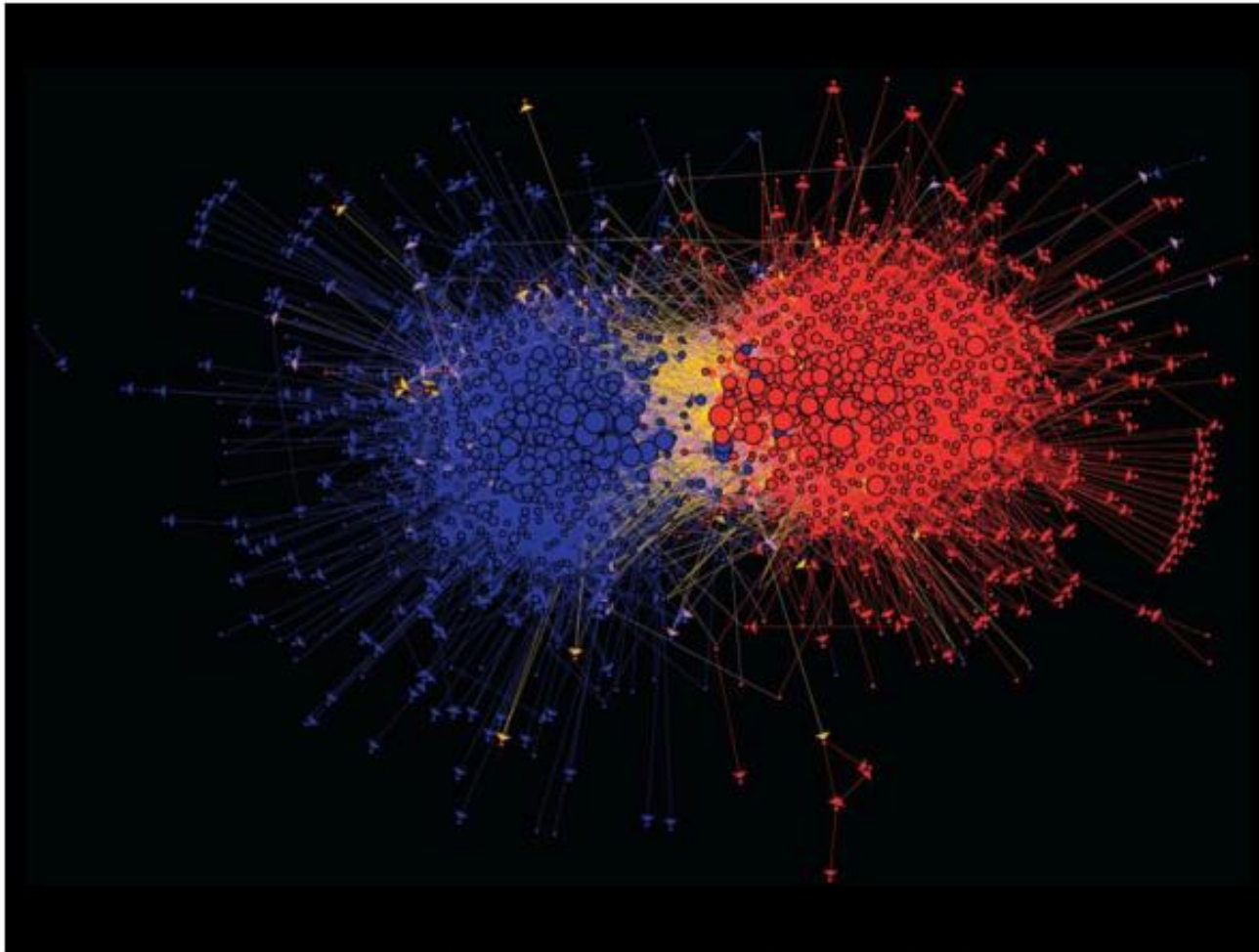


**Facebook social graph**

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

# Media Graph

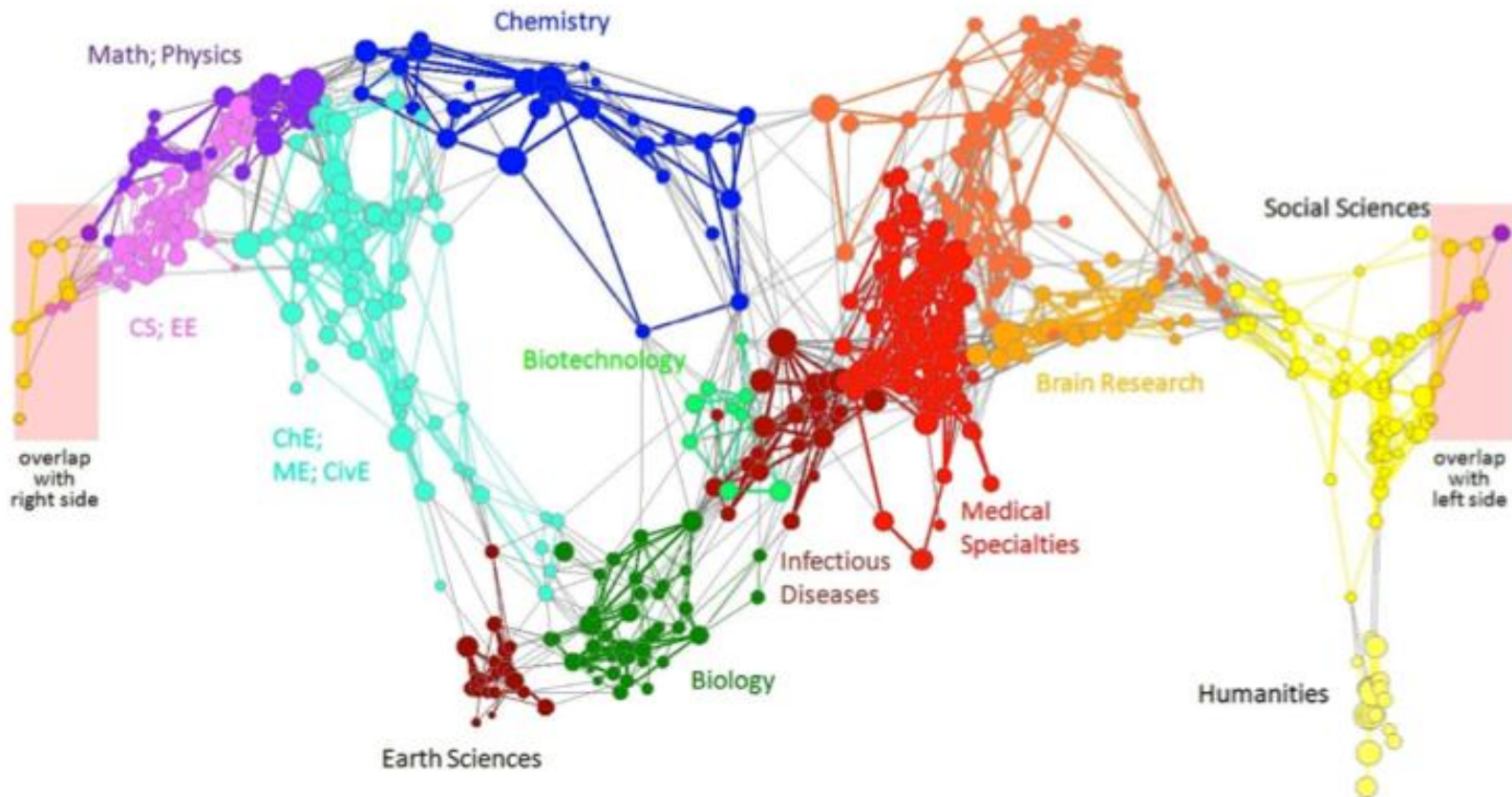
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**Connections between political blogs**  
Polarization of the network [Adamic-Glance, 2005]



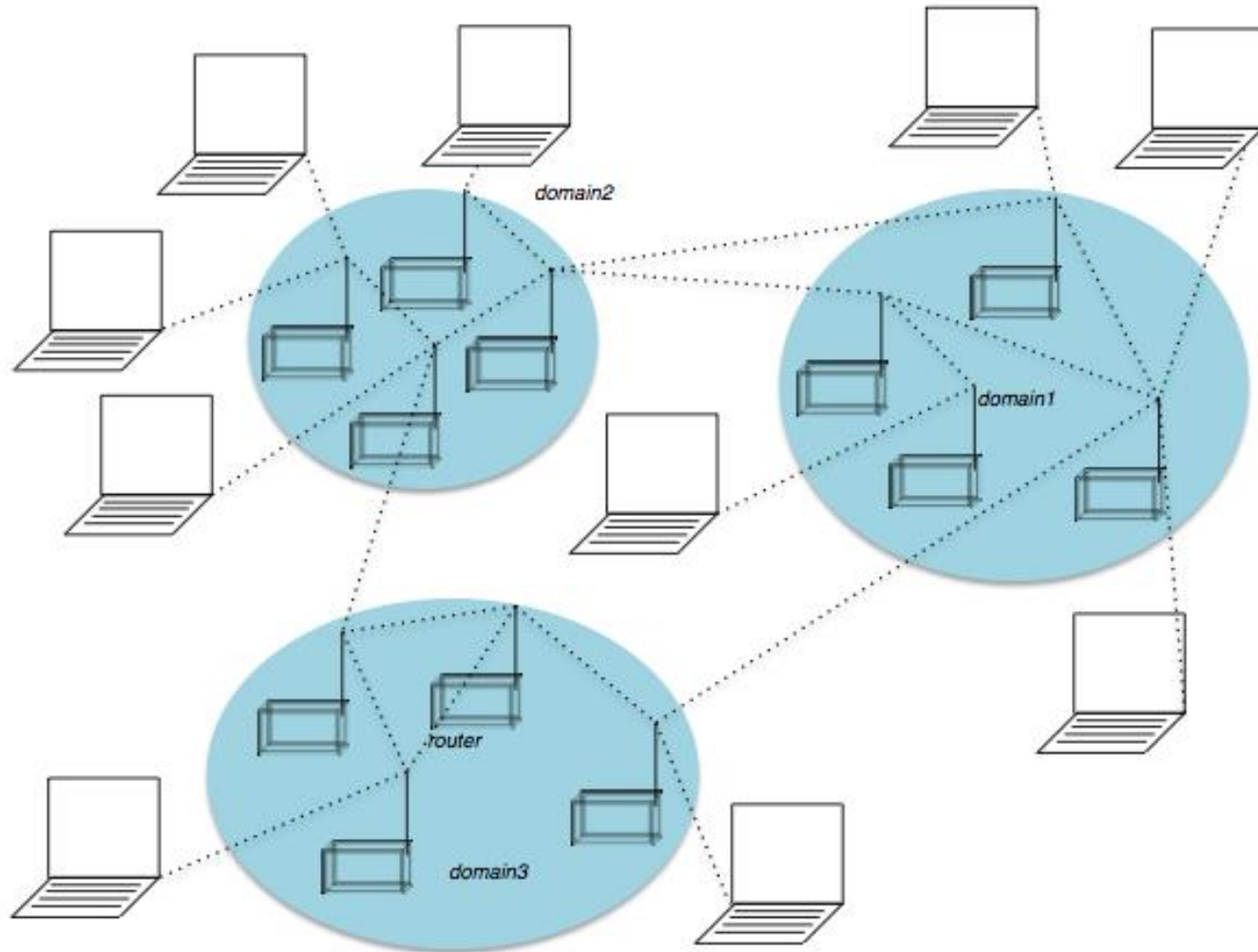
# Citation Network Sciences



**Citation networks and Maps of science**  
[Börner et al., 2012]

# Communication Network

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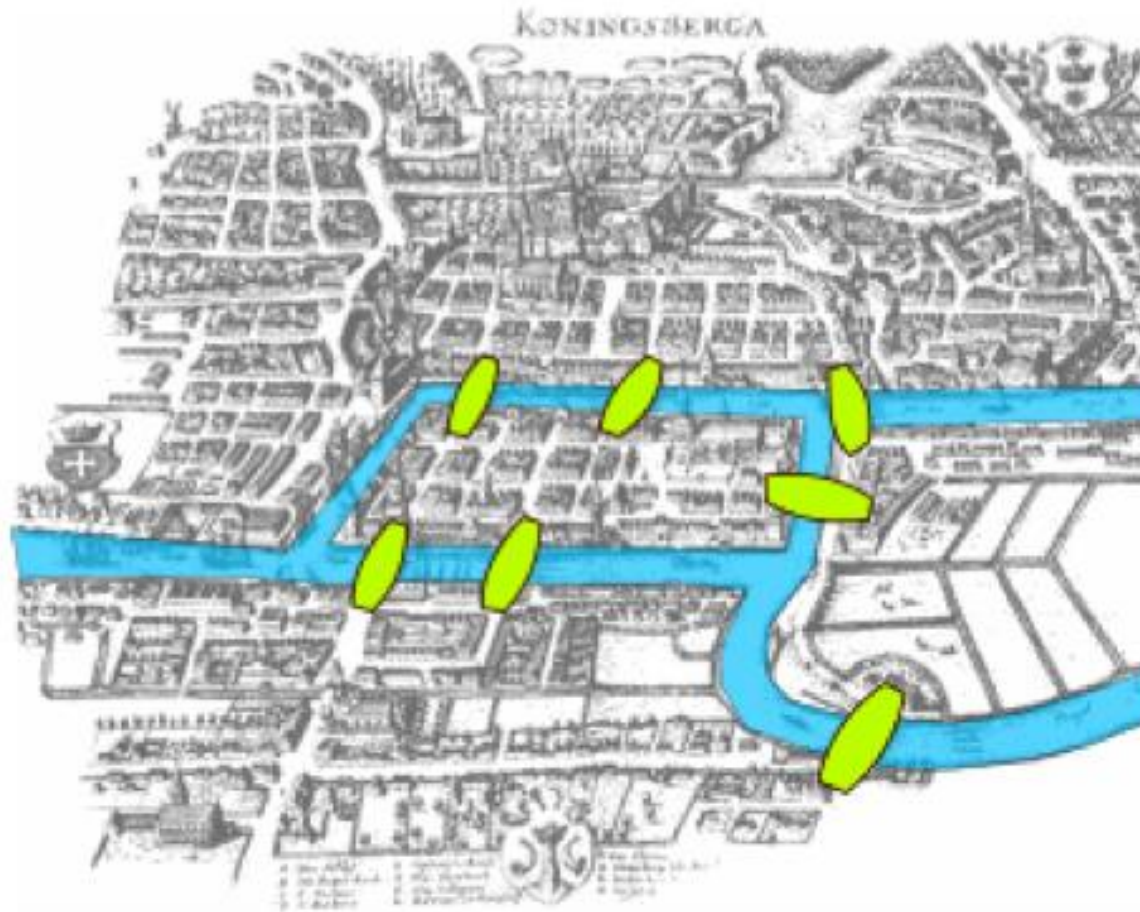


**Internet**



# Technological Networks

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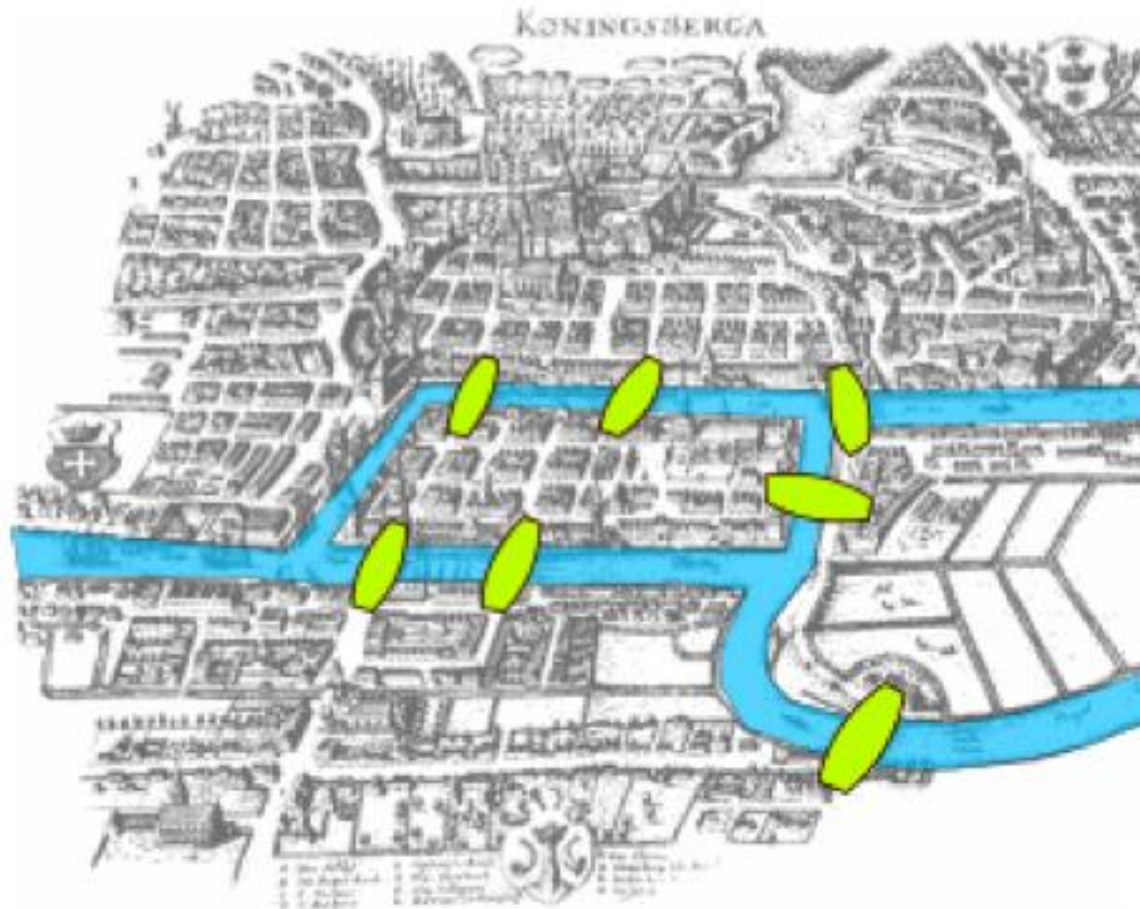


## Seven Bridges of Königsberg

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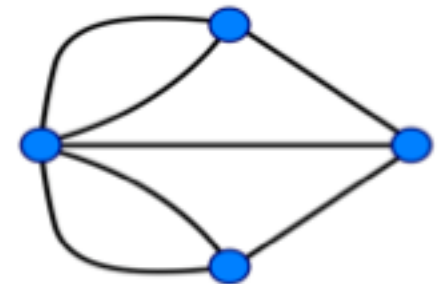
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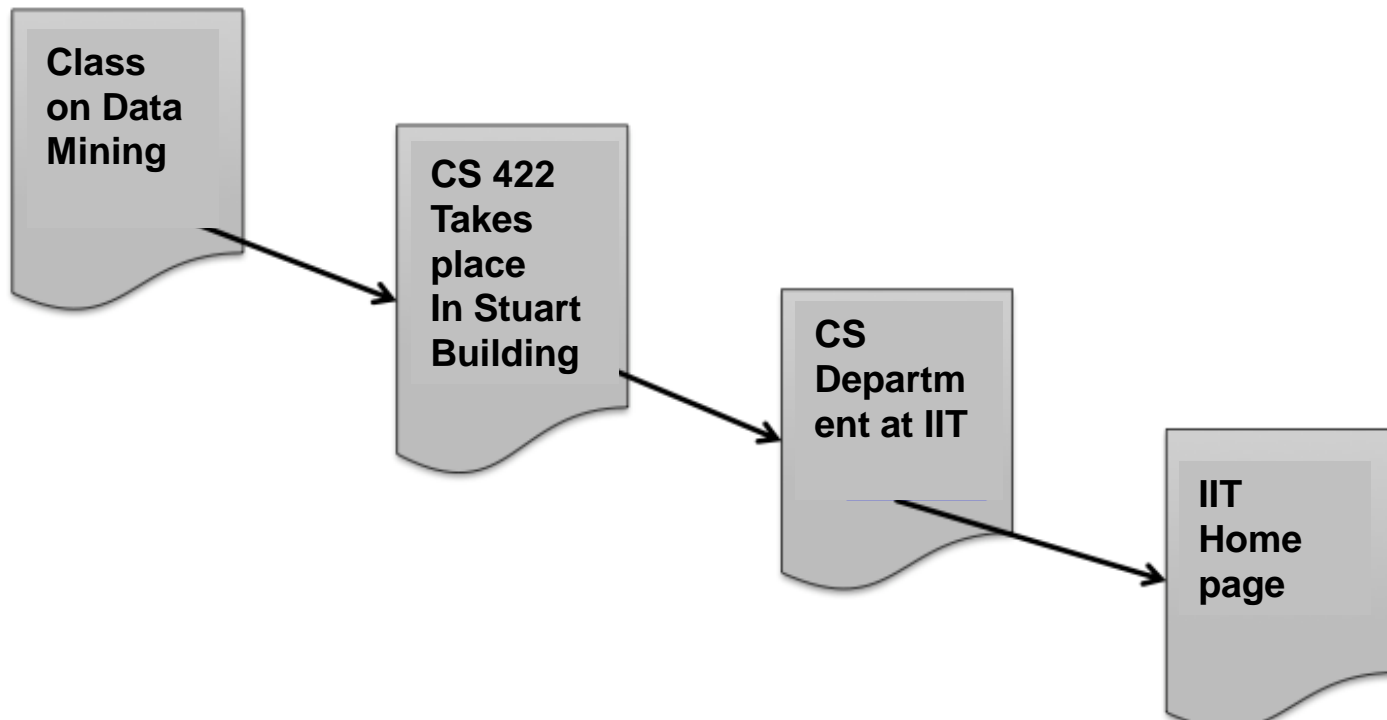
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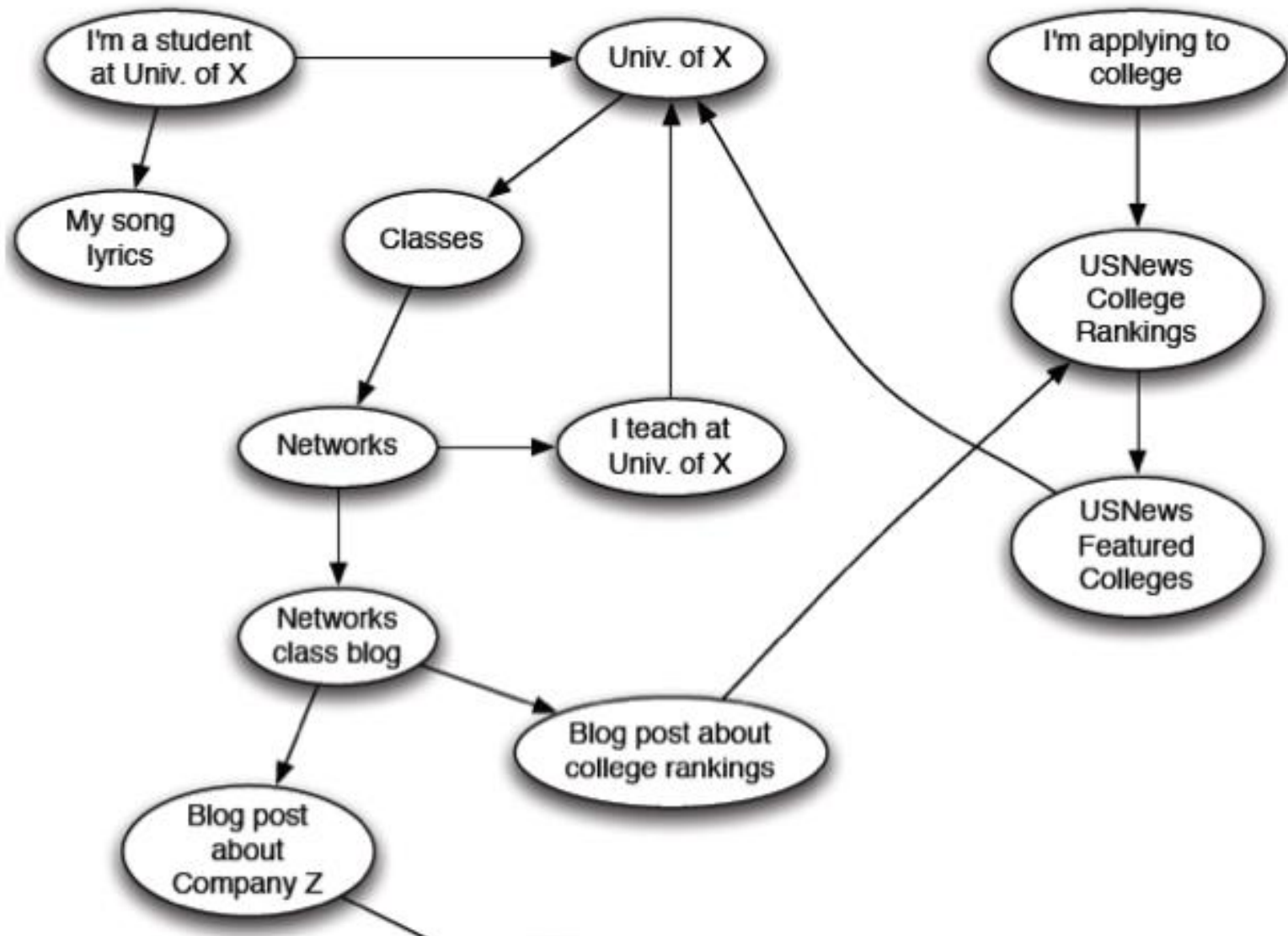
- **Web as a directed graph:**

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



# Web as a Directed Graph

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# How to Organize the Web?

- **How to organize the Web?**
- **First try: Human curated Web directories**
  - Yahoo, DMOZ, LookSmart
- **Second try: Web Search**
  - **Information Retrieval** investigates:  
Find relevant docs in a small and trusted set
    - Newspaper articles, Patents, etc.
  - **But:** Web is **huge**, full of untrusted documents, random things, web spam, etc.



## 2 challenges of web search:

- (1) Web contains many sources of information  
Who to “trust”?
  - **Trick:** Trustworthy pages may point to each other!
- (2) What is the “best” answer to query “newspaper”?
  - No single right answer
  - **Trick:** Pages that actually know about newspapers might all be pointing to many newspapers

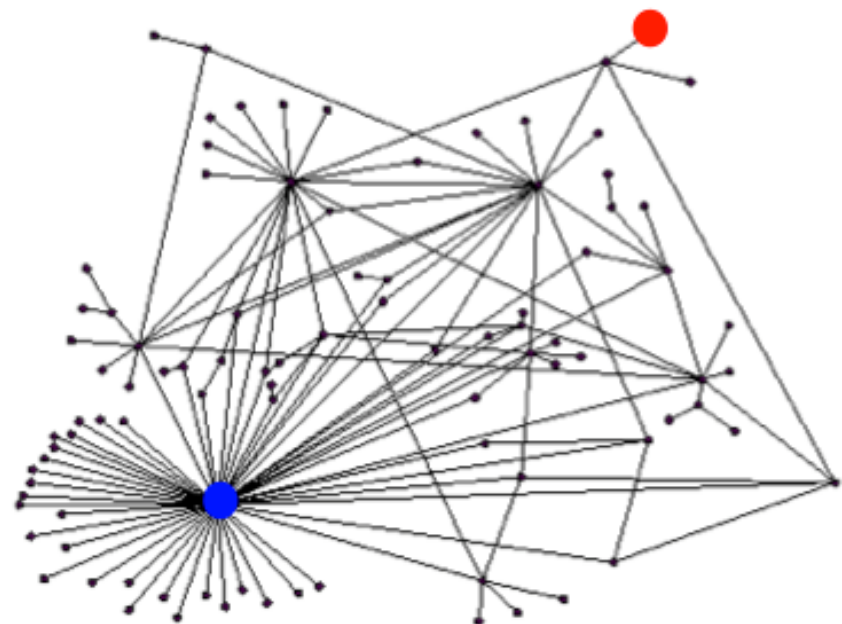
# Ranking Web Pages

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- All web pages are not equally “important”

[www.joe-schmoe.com](http://www.joe-schmoe.com) vs. [www.stanford.edu](http://www.stanford.edu)

- There is large diversity in the web-graph node connectivity.  
**Let's rank the pages by the link structure!**

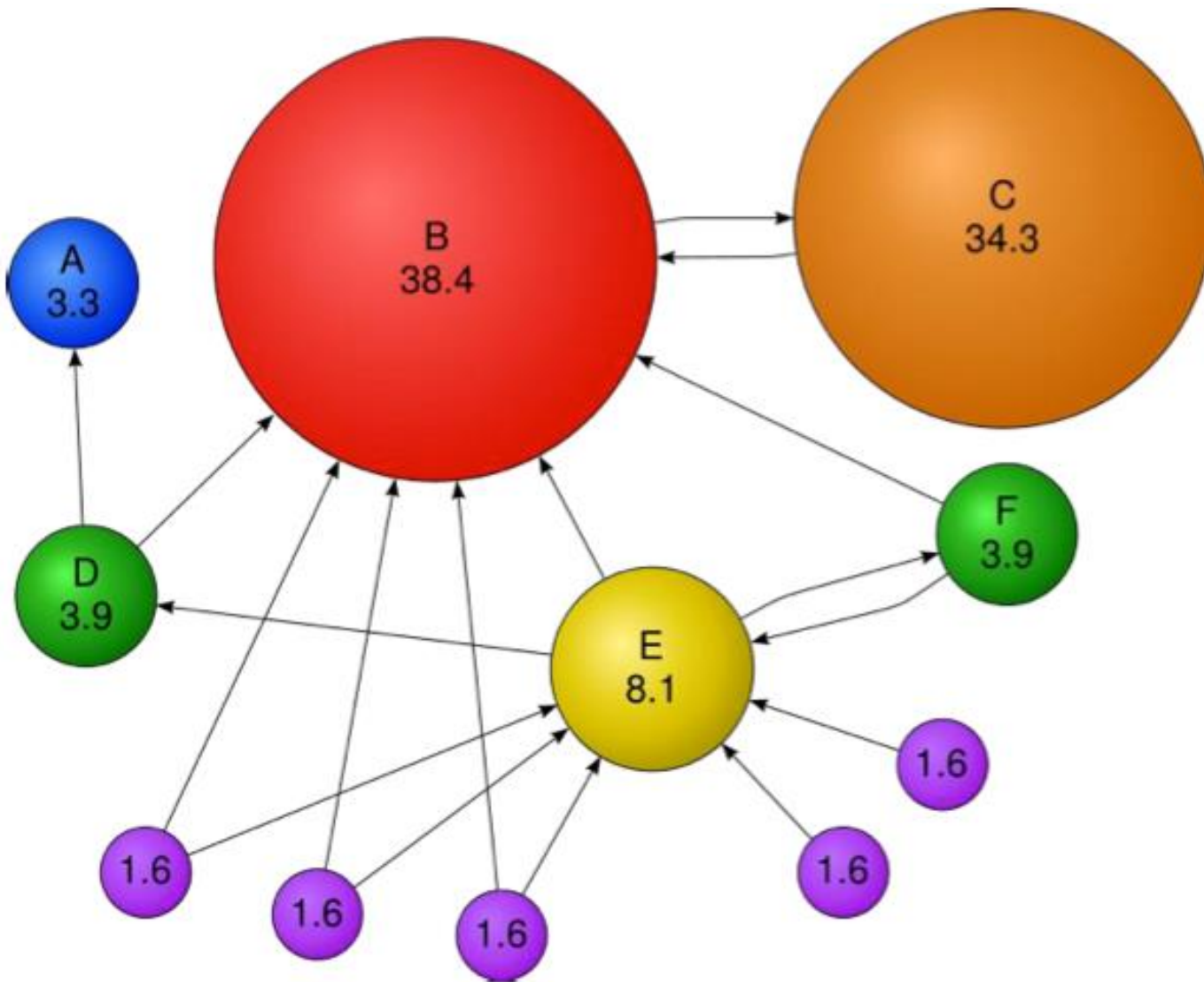




- **Idea: Links as votes**
  - **Page is more important if it has more links**
    - In-coming links? Out-going links?
- **Think of in-links as votes:**
  - [www.stanford.edu](http://www.stanford.edu) has 23,400 in-links
  - [www.joe-schmoe.com](http://www.joe-schmoe.com) has 1 in-link
- **Are all in-links are equal?**
  - Links from important pages count more
  - Recursive question!

# Example of Page Rank Scores

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# What are we looking for

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- ❑ Rank nodes for a particular query
  - ❑ Top k matches for “Random Walks” from Citeseer
  - ❑ Who are the most likely co-authors of “Manuel Blum”.
  - ❑ Top k book recommendations for Purna from Amazon
  - ❑ Top k websites matching “Sound of Music”
  - ❑ Top k friend recommendations for Purna when she joins “Facebook”

## ❑ Basic definitions

- ❑ Random walks
- ❑ Stationary distributions

## ❑ Properties

- ❑ Perron frobenius theorem

## ❑ Applications

- ❑ Pagerank
  - ❑ Power iteration
  - ❑ Convergence
- ❑ Personalized pagerank
- ❑ Rank stability

## □ nxn Adjacency matrix A.

- $A(i,j)$  = weight on edge from  $i$  to  $j$
- If the graph is undirected  $A(i,j)=A(j,i)$ , i.e.  $A$  is symmetric

## □ nxn Transition matrix P.

- $P$  is row stochastic
- $P(i,j)$  = probability of stepping on node  $j$  from node  $i$
- $P(i,j) = A(i,j) / \sum_i A(i,j)$

## □ nxn Laplacian Matrix L.

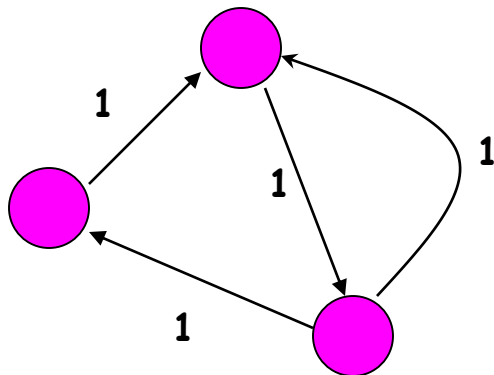
- $L(i,j) = \sum_i A(i,j) - A(i,j)$
- Symmetric positive semi-definite for undirected graphs
- Singular

# Definitions

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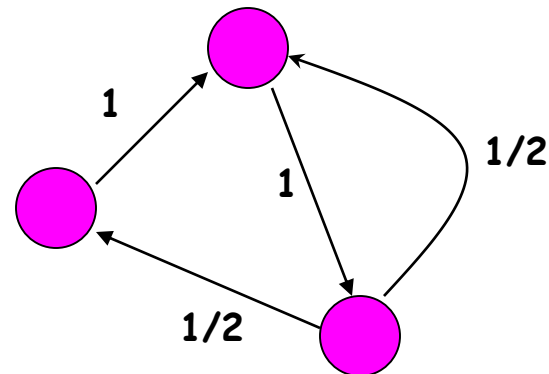
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Adjacency matrix  $A$



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1/2	1/2	0

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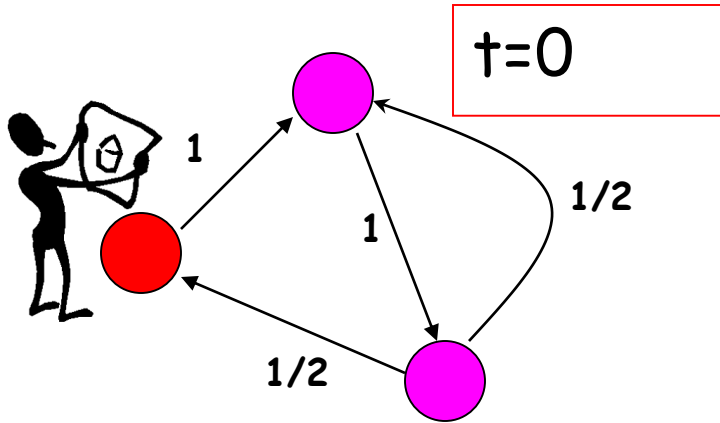
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## □ Random Walk

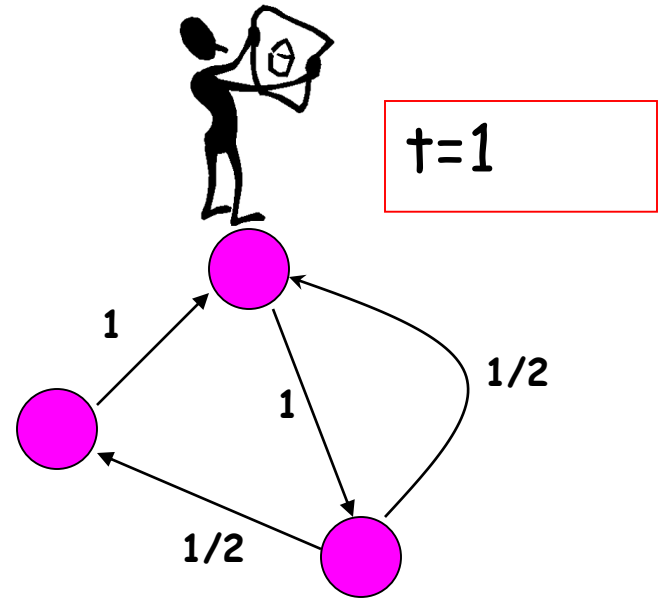
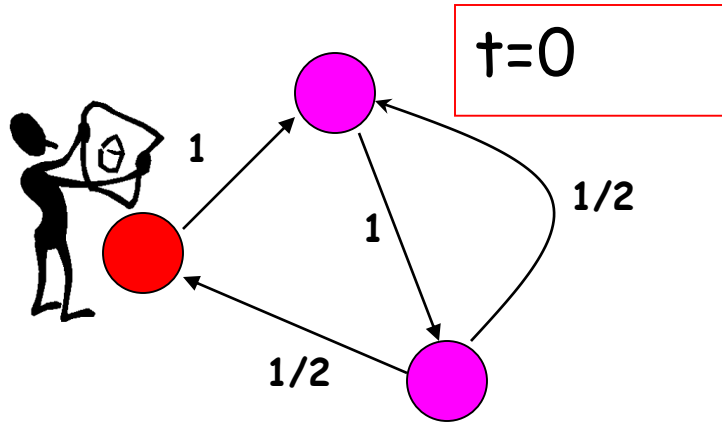


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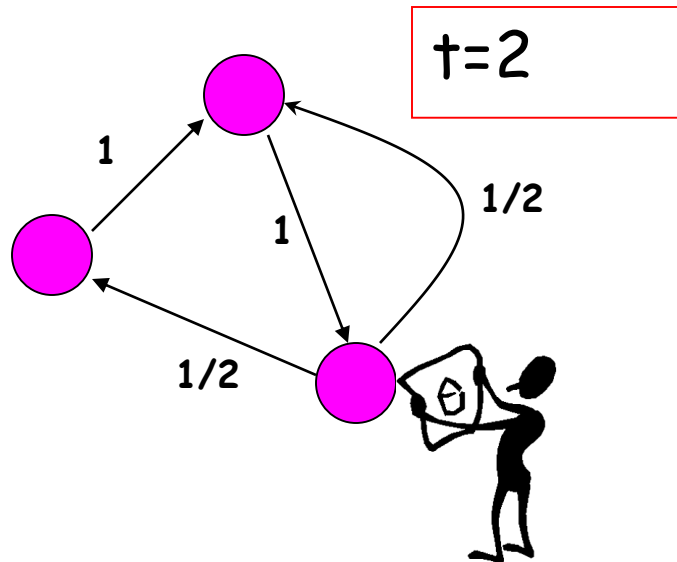
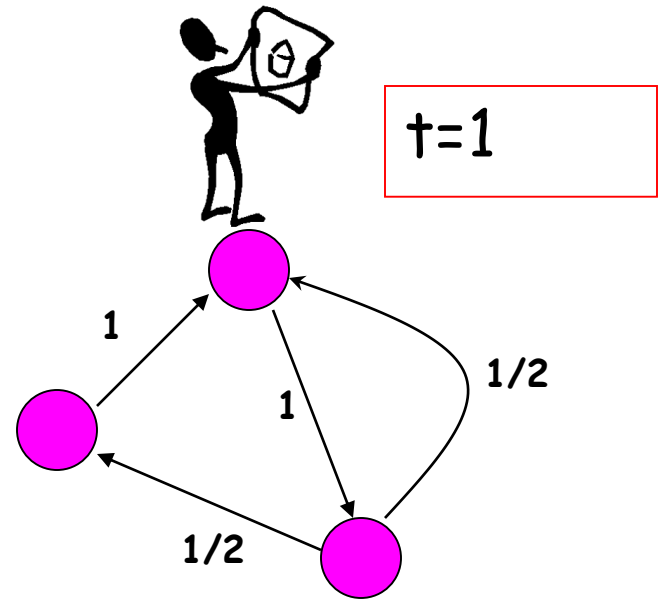
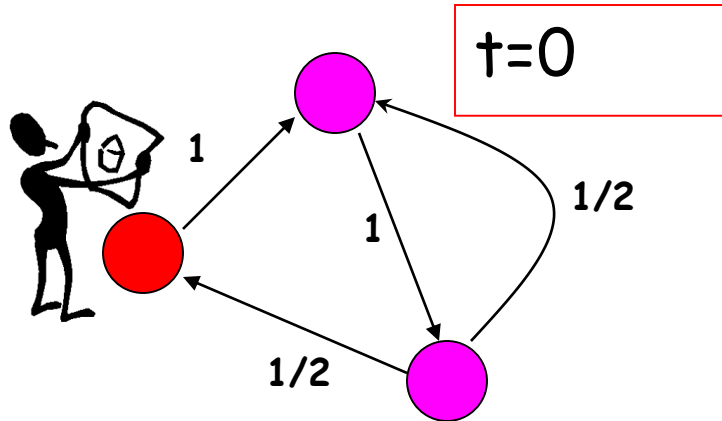
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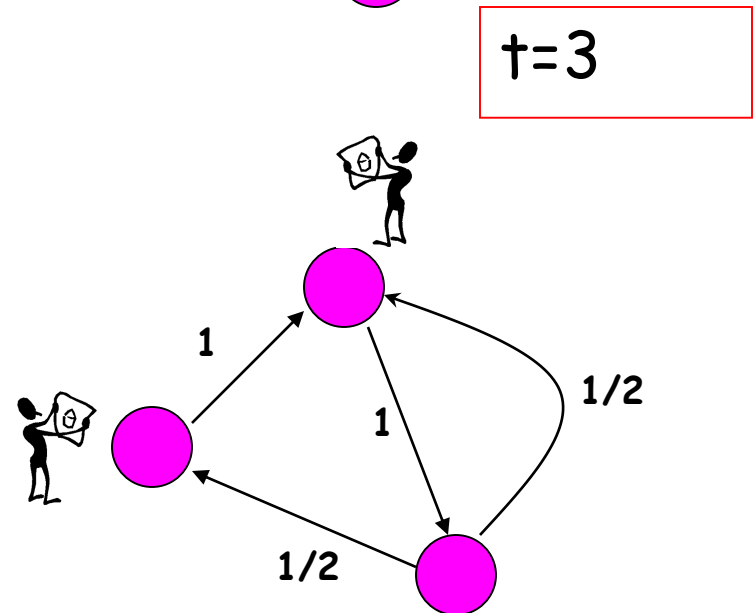
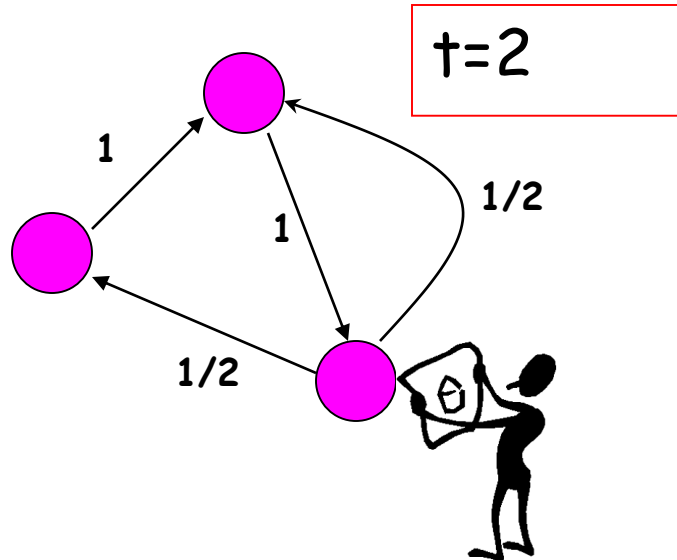
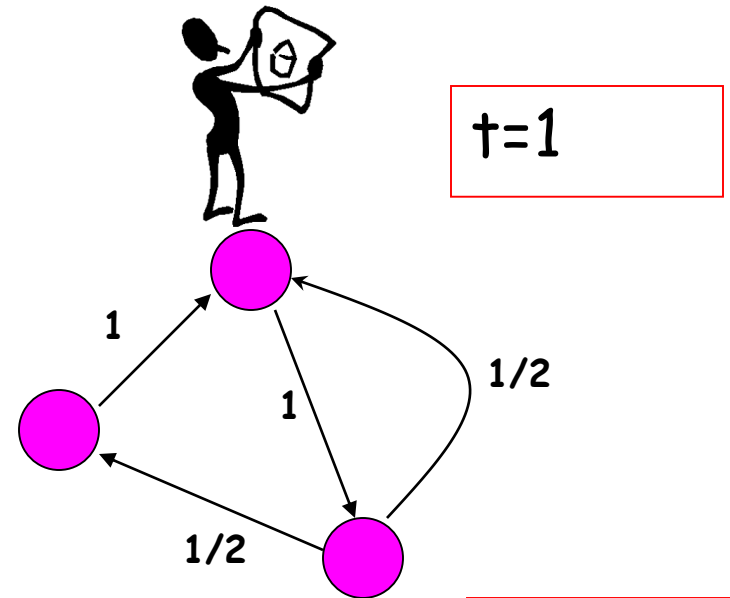
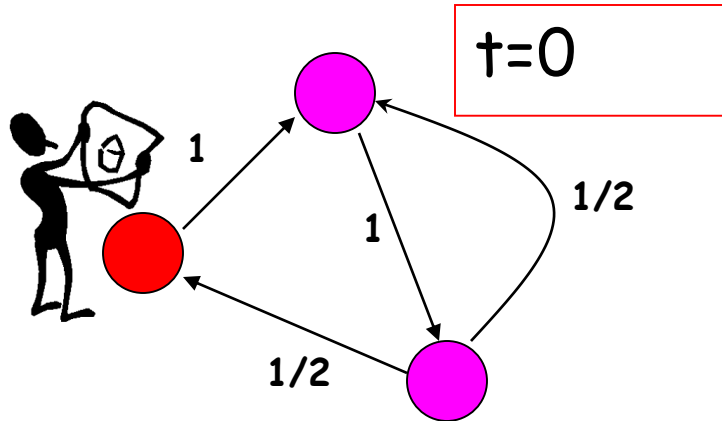
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- ❑  $x_{t(i)}$  = probability that the surfer is at node  $i$  at time  $t$
- ❑  $x_{t+1}(i) = \sum_j (\text{Probability of being at node } j) * \text{Pr}(j \rightarrow i)$   
 $= \sum_j x_{t(j)} * P(j, i)$
- ❑  $x_{t+1} = x_t * P = x_{t-1} * P * P = x_{t-2} * P * P * P = \dots = x_0 P^t$
- ❑ What happens when the surfer keeps walking for a long time?

# Stationary Distribution

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- ❑ When the surfer keeps walking for a long time
- ❑ When the distribution does not change anymore
  - ❑ i.e.  $x_{T+1} = x_T$
- ❑ For “well-behaved” graphs this does not depend on the start distribution!!

# Stationary Distribution

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- ❑ What is a stationary distribution?  
Intuitively and Mathematically



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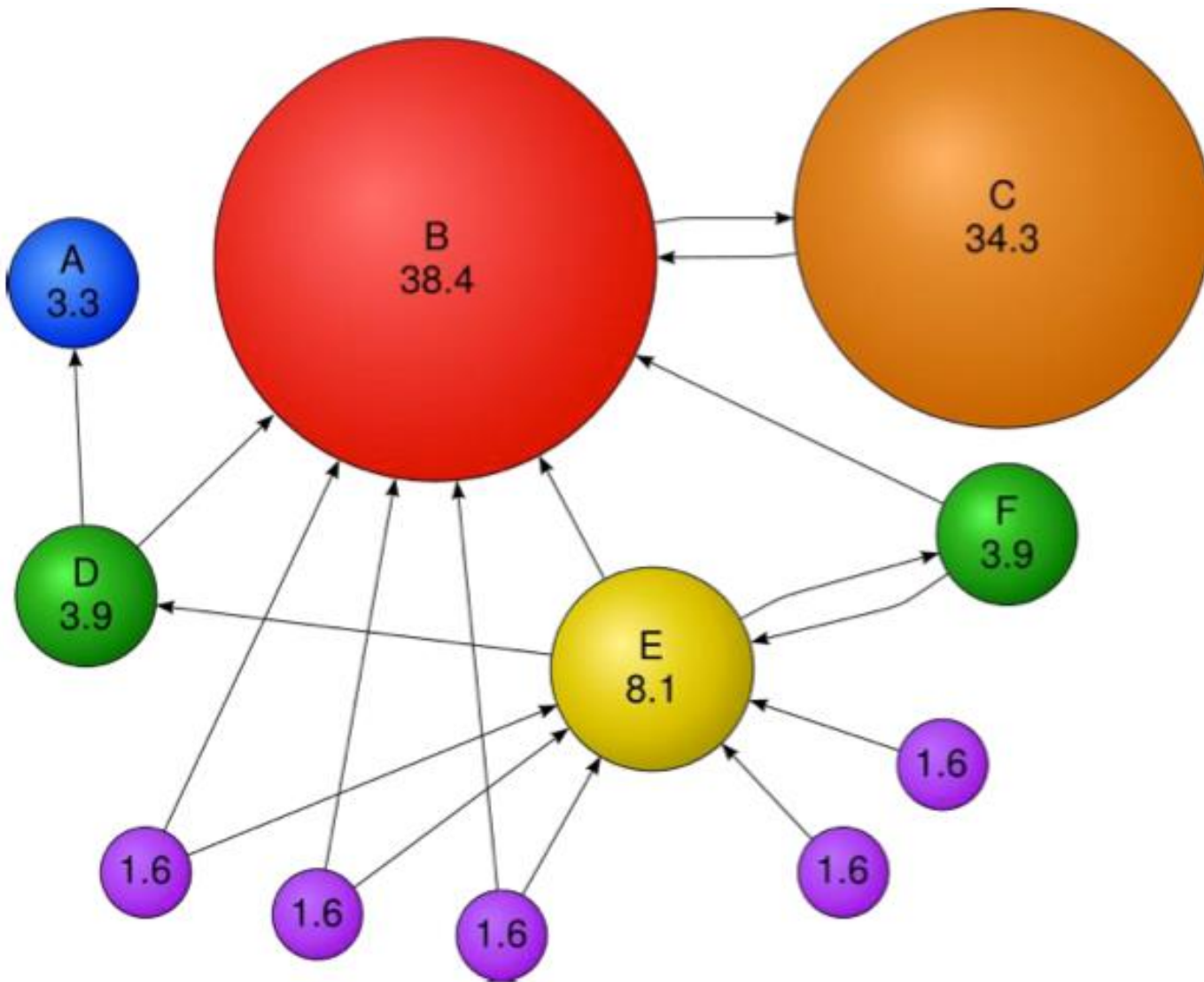
- ❑ Whoa! that's just the left eigenvector of the transition matrix !

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❑ Back to PageRank

# Example of Page Rank Scores

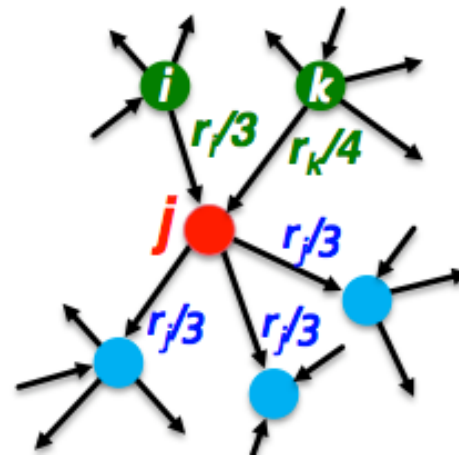
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# Simple Recursive Algorithm

- Each 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

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

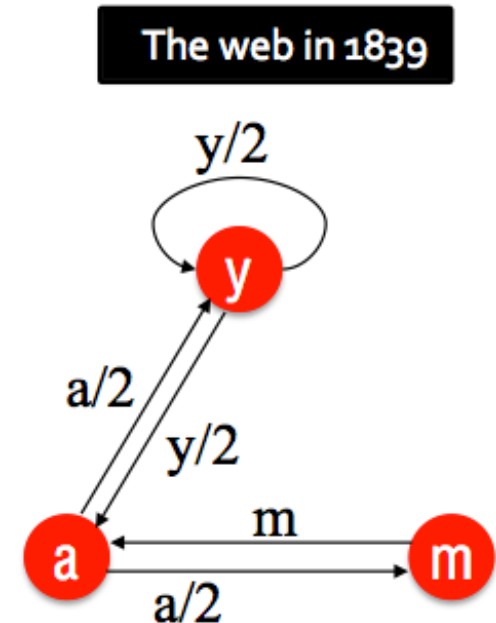




- A “vote” from an important page is worth more
- A page is important if it is pointed to by other important pages
- Define a “rank”  $r_j$  for page  $j$

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

$d_i$  ... out-degree of node  $i$



“Flow” equations:

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

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$$r_m = r_a/2$$

# Solve the Flow Equation

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- **3 equations, 3 unknowns, no constants**

Flow equations:

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$$r_m = r_a/2$$

- No unique solution
- All solutions equivalent modulo the scale factor
- **Additional constraint forces uniqueness:**
  - $r_y + r_a + r_m = 1$
  - **Solution:**  $r_y = \frac{2}{5}, r_a = \frac{2}{5}, r_m = \frac{1}{5}$
- **Gaussian elimination method works for small examples, but we need a better method for large web-size graphs**
- **We need a new formulation!**

# PageRank: Matrix Formulation

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## ■ Stochastic adjacency matrix $M$

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

## ■ Rank vector $r$ : vector with an entry per page

- $r_i$  is the importance score of page  $i$
- $\sum_i r_i = 1$

## ■ The flow equations can be written

$$r = M \cdot r$$

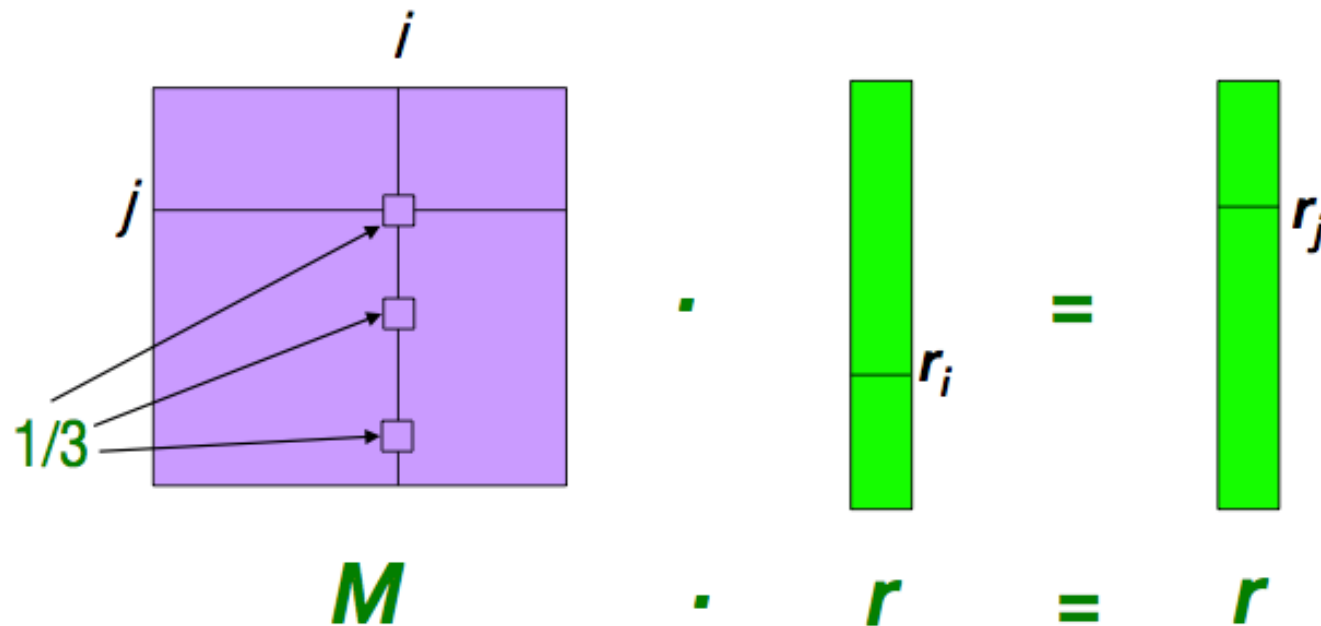
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# Matrix Formulation

- Remember the flow equation:  $r_j = \sum_{i \rightarrow j} \frac{r_i}{d_i}$
- Flow equation in the matrix form

$$M \cdot r = r$$

- Suppose page  $i$  links to 3 pages, including  $j$



# Eigenvalue Formulation

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- The flow equations can be written

$$\mathbf{r} = \mathbf{M} \cdot \mathbf{r}$$

- So the **rank vector**  $\mathbf{r}$  is an **eigenvector** of the stochastic web matrix  $\mathbf{M}$

- In fact, its first or principal eigenvector, with corresponding eigenvalue **1**

- Largest eigenvalue of  $\mathbf{M}$  is **1** since  $\mathbf{M}$  is column stochastic

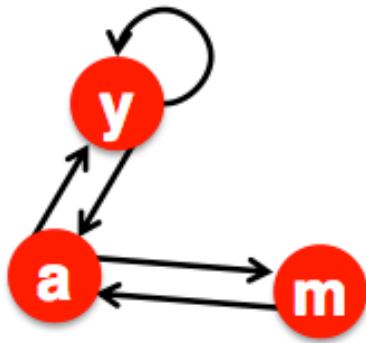
- *We know  $\mathbf{r}$  is unit length and each column of  $\mathbf{M}$  sums to one, so  $\mathbf{M}\mathbf{r} \leq 1$*

**NOTE:**  $\mathbf{x}$  is an eigenvector with the corresponding eigenvalue  $\lambda$  if:

$$\mathbf{A}\mathbf{x} = \lambda\mathbf{x}$$

- **We can now efficiently solve for  $\mathbf{r}$ !**  
The method is called Power iteration

# Example



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

$$r_a = r_y/2 + r_m$$

$$r_m = r_a/2$$

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

$$r = M \cdot r$$

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

# Power Iteration Method

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- Given a web graph with  $n$  nodes, where the nodes are pages and edges are hyperlinks
- **Power iteration:** a simple iterative scheme
  - Suppose there are  $N$  web pages
  - Initialize:  $\mathbf{r}^{(0)} = [1/N, \dots, 1/N]^T$
  - Iterate:  $\mathbf{r}^{(t+1)} = \mathbf{M} \cdot \mathbf{r}^{(t)}$
  - Stop when  $\|\mathbf{r}^{(t+1)} - \mathbf{r}^{(t)}\|_1 < \varepsilon$ 
    - $\|\mathbf{x}\|_1 = \sum_{1 \leq i \leq N} |x_i|$  is the  $L_1$  norm

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

$d_i$  .... out-degree of node  $i$

# Solving PageRank

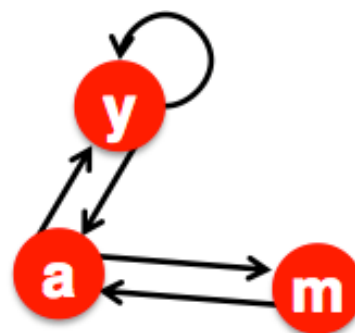
## ■ Power Iteration:

- Set  $r_j = 1/N$
- **1:**  $r'_j = \sum_{i \rightarrow j} \frac{r_i}{d_i}$
- **2:**  $r = r'$
- Goto **1**

## ■ Example:

$$\begin{bmatrix} r_y \\ r_a \\ r_m \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1/3 \\ 1/3 \\ 1/3 \end{bmatrix}$$

Iteration 0, 1, 2, ...



	y	a	m
y	1/2	1/2	0
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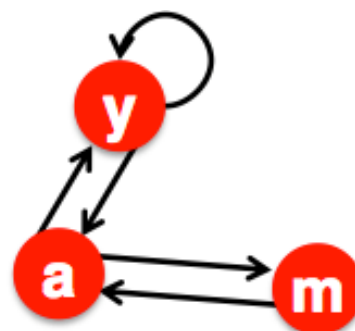
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$$r_y = r_y/2 + r_a/2$$

$$r_a = r_y/2 + r_m$$

$$r_m = r_a/2$$

## Example:

$$\begin{bmatrix} r_y \\ r_a \\ r_m \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1/3 & 1/3 & 5/12 & 9/24 & & 6/15 \\ 1/3 & 3/6 & 1/3 & 11/24 & \dots & 6/15 \\ 1/3 & 1/6 & 3/12 & 1/6 & & 3/15 \end{bmatrix}$$

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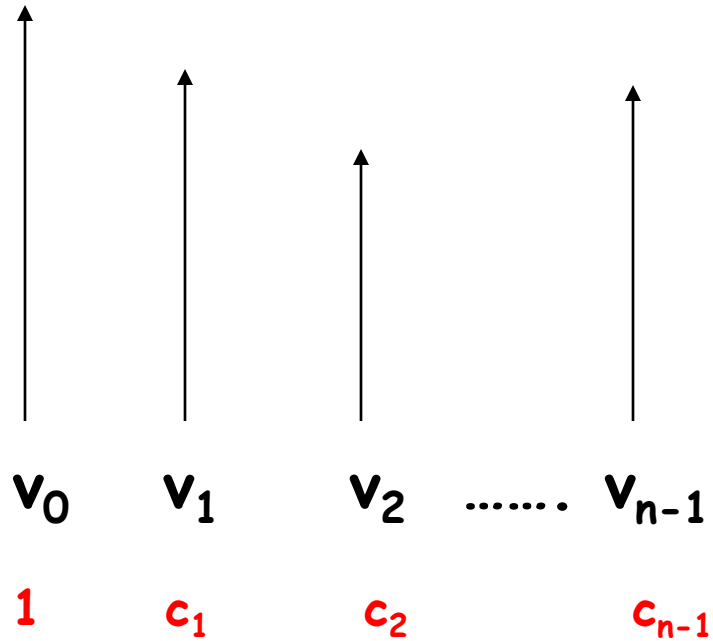
- ❑ Why should this work?
- ❑ Write  $x_0$  as a linear combination of the left eigenvectors  $\{v_0, v_1, \dots, v_{n-1}\}$  of  $P$
- ❑ Remember that  $v_0$  is the stationary distribution.
- ❑  $x_0 = c_0 v_0 + c_1 v_1 + c_2 v_2 + \dots + c_{n-1} v_{n-1}$

$$c_0 = 1 .$$

# Power iteration

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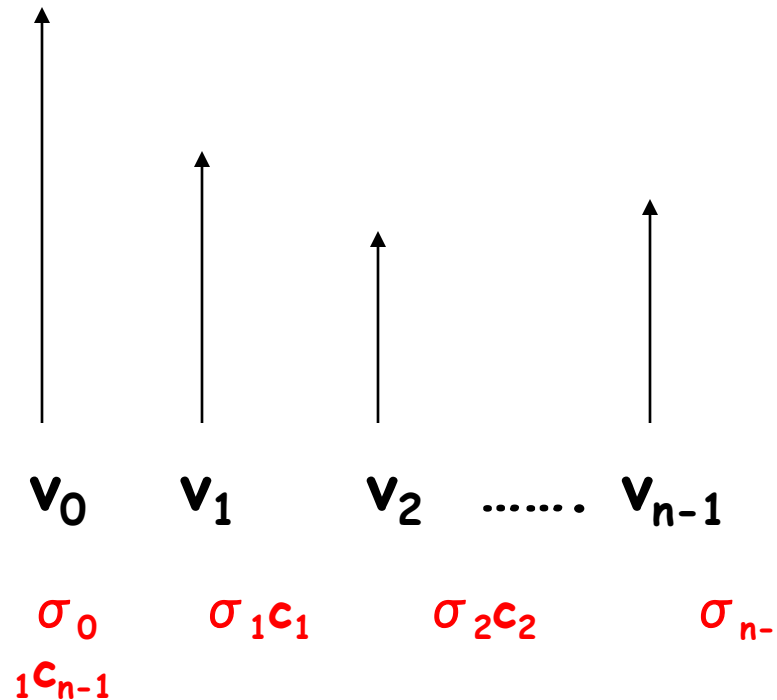
$x_0$



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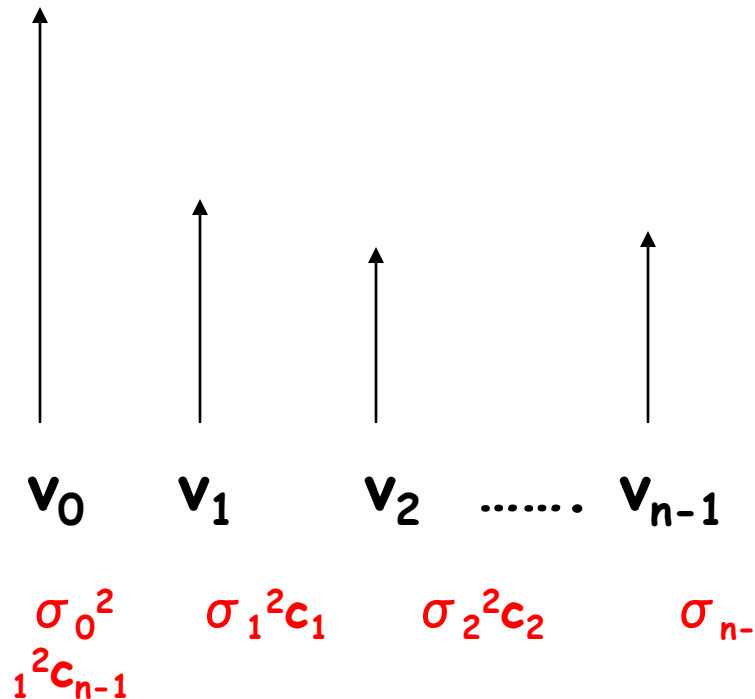
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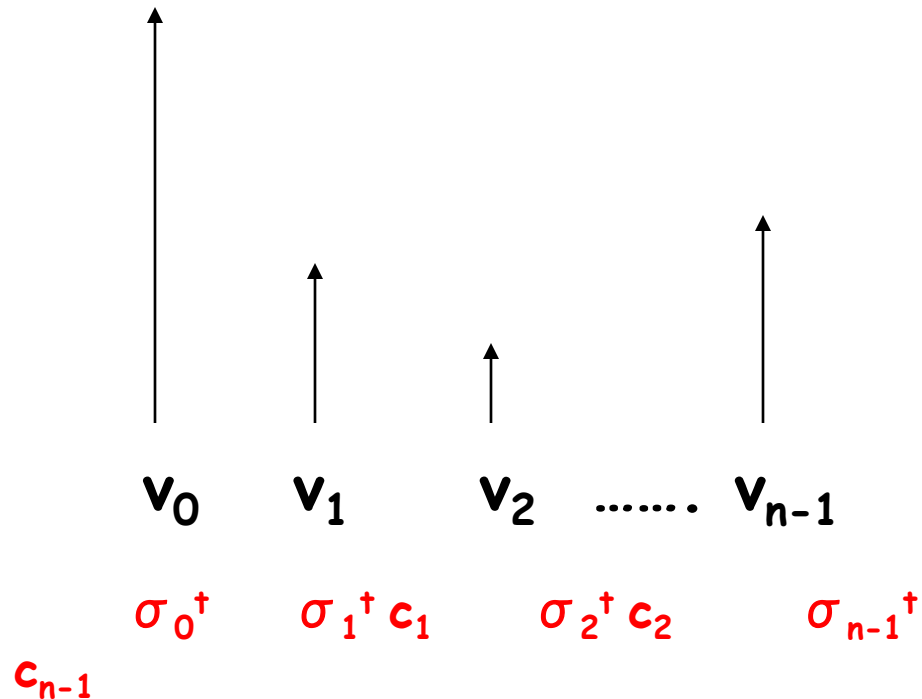
$$\mathbf{x}_2 = \mathbf{x}_1 \tilde{\mathbf{P}} = \mathbf{x}_0 \tilde{\mathbf{P}}^2$$



# Power iteration

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$$\mathbf{x}_t = \mathbf{x}_0 \tilde{\mathbf{P}}^t$$

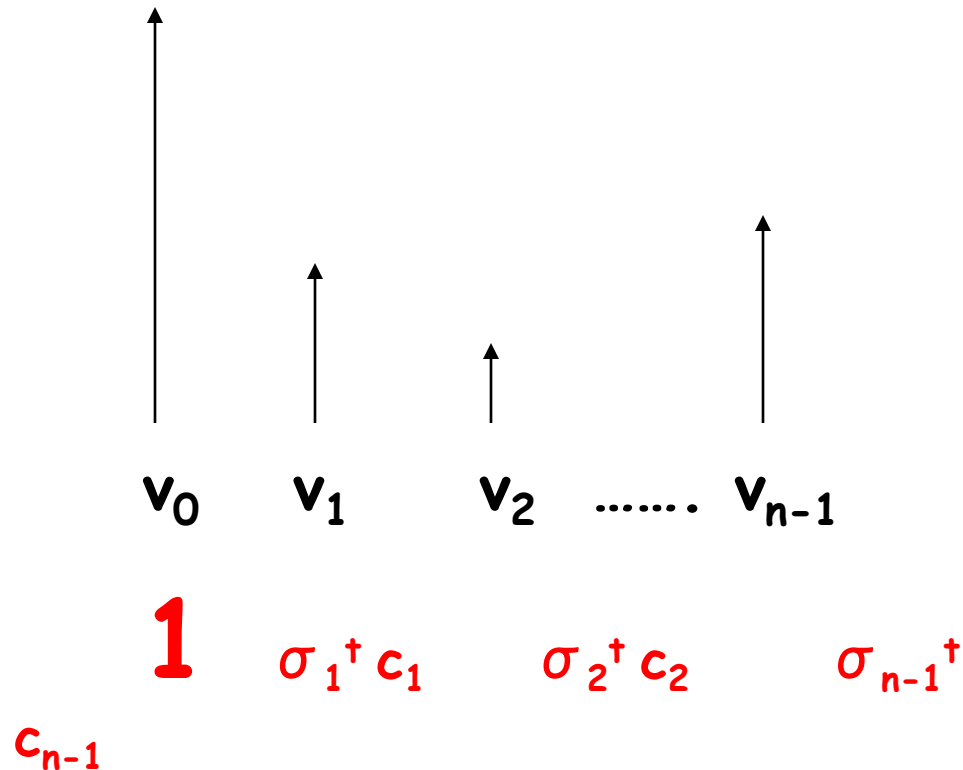


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$$\mathbf{x}_t = \mathbf{x}_0 \mathbf{P}^{\sim t}$$

$$\sigma_0 = 1 > \sigma_1 \geq \dots \geq \sigma_n$$

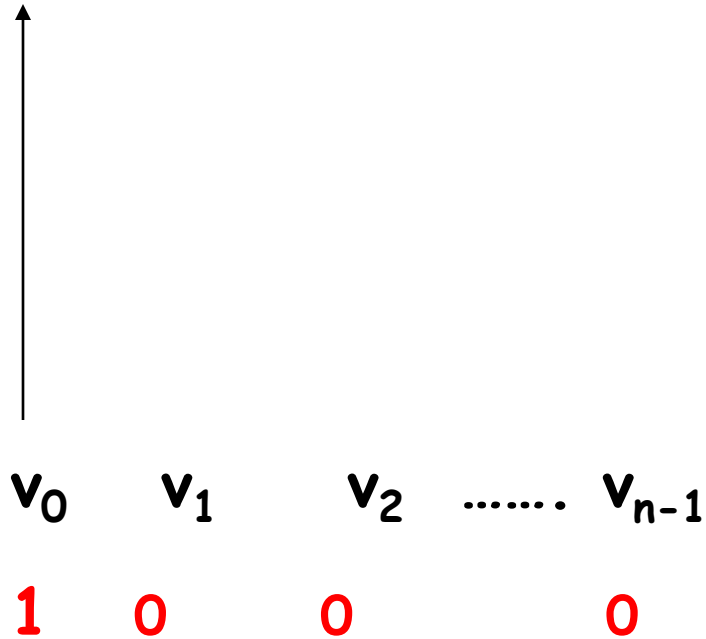


# Power iteration

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$\mathbf{x}_{\infty}$

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# Convergence Issues

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- ❑ Formally  $\|x_0 P^t - v_0\| \leq |\lambda|^t$ 
  - ❑  $\lambda$  is the eigenvalue with second largest magnitude
- ❑ The smaller the second largest eigenvalue (in magnitude), the faster the mixing.
- ❑ For  $|\lambda| < 1$  there exists a unique stationary distribution, namely the first left eigenvector of the transition matrix.

## ■ Power iteration:

A method for finding dominant eigenvector (the vector corresponding to the largest eigenvalue)

- $\mathbf{r}^{(1)} = \mathbf{M} \cdot \mathbf{r}^{(0)}$
- $\mathbf{r}^{(2)} = \mathbf{M} \cdot \mathbf{r}^{(1)} = \mathbf{M}(\mathbf{M}\mathbf{r}^{(1)}) = \mathbf{M}^2 \cdot \mathbf{r}^{(0)}$
- $\mathbf{r}^{(3)} = \mathbf{M} \cdot \mathbf{r}^{(2)} = \mathbf{M}(\mathbf{M}^2\mathbf{r}^{(0)}) = \mathbf{M}^3 \cdot \mathbf{r}^{(0)}$

## ■ Claim:

Sequence  $\mathbf{M} \cdot \mathbf{r}^{(0)}, \mathbf{M}^2 \cdot \mathbf{r}^{(0)}, \dots \mathbf{M}^k \cdot \mathbf{r}^{(0)}, \dots$   
approaches the dominant eigenvector of  $\mathbf{M}$

# Random Walk Interpretation

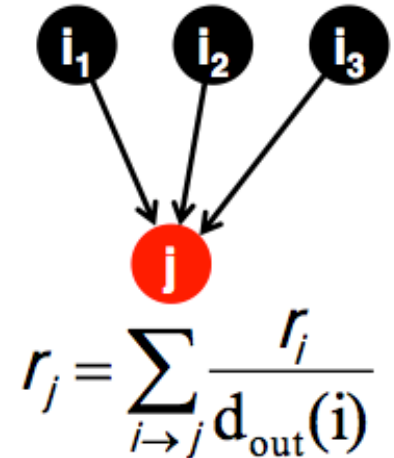
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- **Imagine a random web surfer:**

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

- **Let:**

- $\mathbf{p}(t)$  ... vector whose  $i^{\text{th}}$  coordinate is the prob. that the surfer is at page  $i$  at time  $t$
- So,  $\mathbf{p}(t)$  is a probability distribution over pages



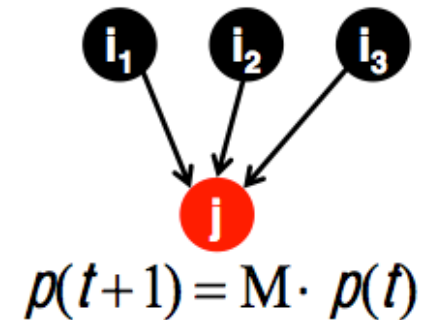
# Stationary Distribution

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- **Where is the surfer at time  $t+1$ ?**

- Follows a link uniformly at random

$$p(t+1) = M \cdot p(t)$$



- Suppose the random walk reaches a state

$$p(t+1) = M \cdot p(t) = p(t)$$

then  $p(t)$  is **stationary distribution** of a random walk

- **Our original rank vector  $r$  satisfies  $r = M \cdot r$**

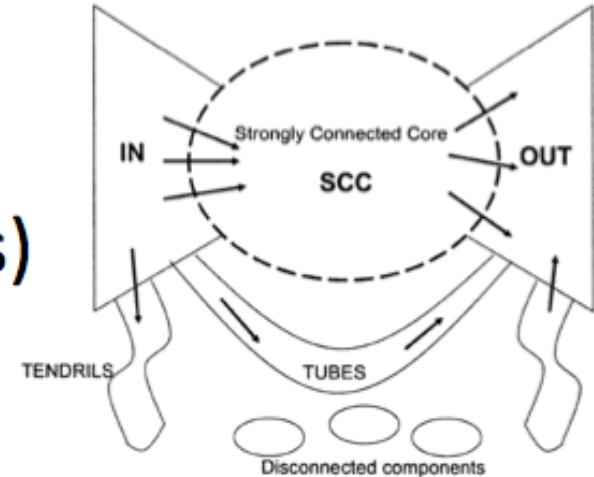
- **So,  $r$  is a stationary distribution for the random walk**

# Problems with PageRank

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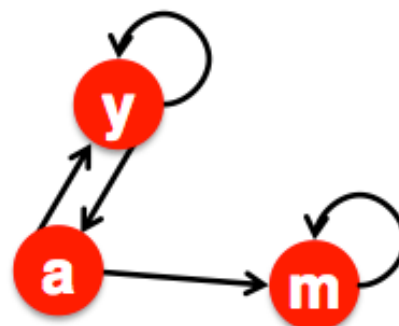
## 2 problems:

- **(1)** Some pages are **dead ends** (have no out-links)
  - Such pages cause importance to “leak out”
- **(2) Spider traps**  
(all out-links are within the group)
  - Eventually spider traps absorb all importance



## ■ Power Iteration:

- Set  $r_j = 1$
- $r_j = \sum_{i \rightarrow j} \frac{r_i}{d_i}$ 
  - And iterate



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

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

$$r_a = r_y/2$$

$$r_m = r_a/2 + r_m$$

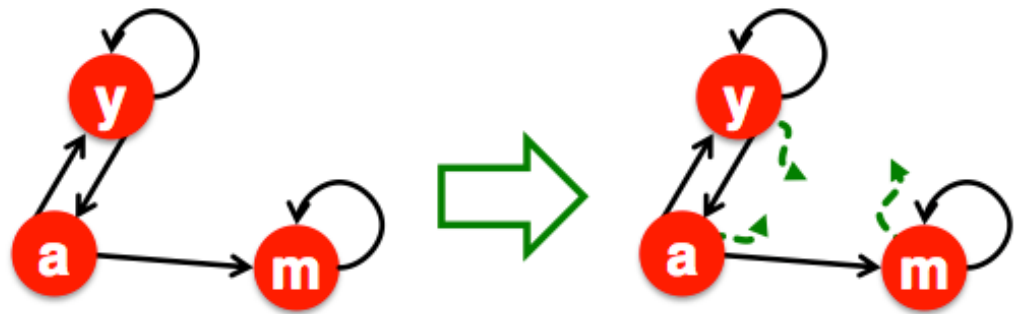
## ■ Example:

$$\begin{bmatrix} r_y \\ r_a \\ r_m \end{bmatrix} = \begin{array}{cccccc} 1/3 & 2/6 & 3/12 & 5/24 & & 0 \\ 1/3 & 1/6 & 2/12 & 3/24 & \dots & 0 \\ 1/3 & 3/6 & 7/12 & 16/24 & & 1 \end{array}$$

Iteration 0, 1, 2, ...

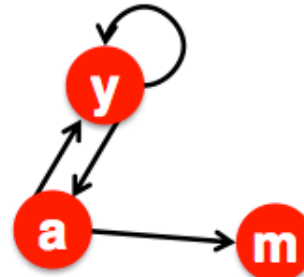
# Teleports Solution

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



## ■ Power Iteration:

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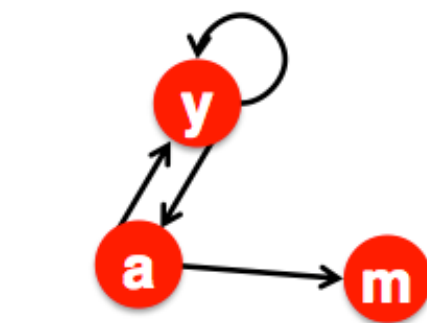
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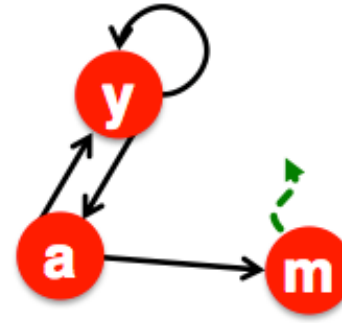


# Teleports Solution

- **Teleports:** Follow random teleport links with probability 1.0 from dead-ends
  - Adjust matrix accordingly



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



	y	a	m
y	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{3}$
a	$\frac{1}{2}$	0	$\frac{1}{3}$
m	0	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{3}$

$$r^{(t+1)} = Mr^{(t)}$$

## Markov chains

- Set of states  $\mathbf{X}$
- Transition matrix  $\mathbf{P}$  where  $P_{ij} = P(X_t=i \mid X_{t-1}=j)$
- $\pi$  specifying the stationary probability of being at each state  $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbf{X}$
- Goal is to find  $\pi$  such that  $\pi = \mathbf{P} \pi$

# Markov Chain Analogy

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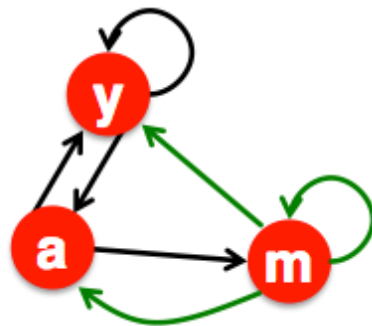
- **Theory of Markov chains**
- **Fact:** For any start vector, the power method applied to a Markov transition matrix  $P$  will converge to a unique positive stationary vector as long as  $P$  is stochastic, irreducible and aperiodic.

# Stochastic Matrix

- **Stochastic:** Every column sums to 1
- **A possible solution:** Add green links

$$A = M + a^T \left( \frac{1}{n} e \right)$$

- $a_i \dots = 1$  if node  $i$  has out deg 0, =0 else
- $e \dots$  vector of all 1s



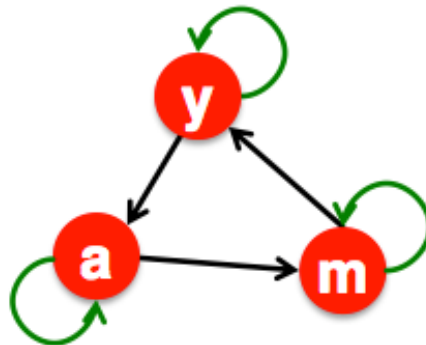
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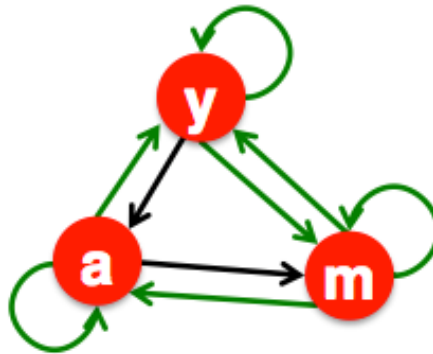
- A chain is **periodic** if there exists  $k > 1$  such that the interval between two visits to some state  $s$  is always a multiple of  $k$ .
- **A possible solution:** Add **green** links



# Irreducible Matrix

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- From any state, there is a non-zero probability of going from any one state to any another
- **A possible solution:** Add green links



# Random Jumps Solution

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- **Google's solution that does it all:**
  - Makes  **$M$**  **stochastic, aperiodic, irreducible**
- **At each step, random surfer has two options:**
  - With probability  $\beta$ , follow a link at random
  - With probability  $1-\beta$ , jump to some random page
- **PageRank equation** [Brin-Page, 98]

$$r_j = \sum_{i \rightarrow j} \beta \frac{r_i}{d_i} + (1 - \beta) \frac{1}{n}$$

$d_i$  ... out-degree of node  $i$

This formulation assumes that  **$M$**  has no dead ends. We can either preprocess matrix  **$M$**  to remove all dead ends or explicitly follow random teleport links with probability 1.0 from dead-ends.

- **PageRank equation** [Brin-Page, 98]

$$r_j = \sum_{i \rightarrow j} \beta \frac{r_i}{d_i} + (1 - \beta) \frac{1}{n}$$

- **The Google Matrix A:**

$$A = \beta M + (1 - \beta) \frac{1}{n} \mathbf{e} \cdot \mathbf{e}^T$$

e...vector of all 1s

- **A is stochastic, aperiodic and irreducible, so**

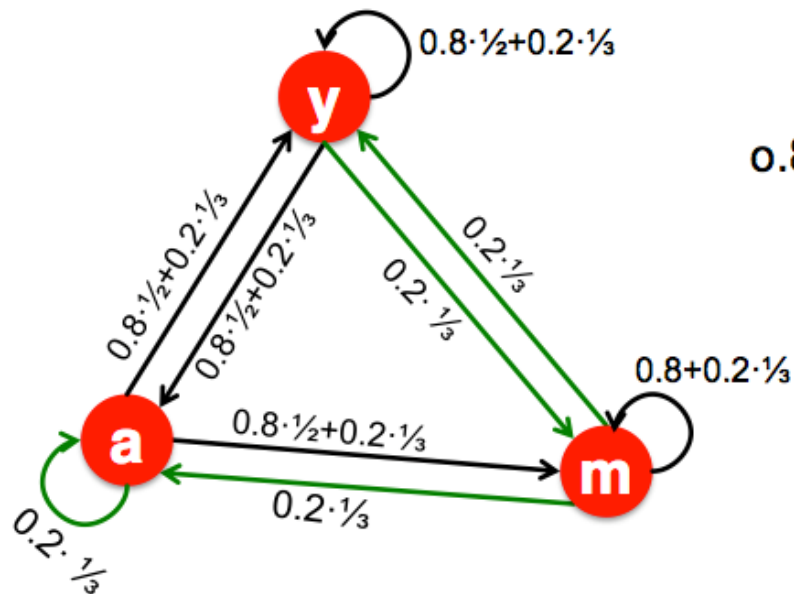
$$\mathbf{r}^{(t+1)} = \mathbf{A} \cdot \mathbf{r}^{(t)}$$

- **What is  $\beta$  ?**

- In practice  $\beta = 0.8, 0.9$  (make 5 steps and jump)



# Teleports



$$\begin{array}{c}
 \mathbf{M} \\
 \begin{array}{|c|} \hline 0.8 \\ \hline \end{array}
 \begin{array}{|c|} \hline \begin{array}{ccc} 1/2 & 1/2 & 0 \\ 1/2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1/2 & 1 \end{array} \\ \hline \end{array}
 + 0.2
 \begin{array}{|c|} \hline \begin{array}{ccc} 1/n & 1 & 1^T \\ 1/3 & 1/3 & 1/3 \\ 1/3 & 1/3 & 1/3 \end{array} \\ \hline \end{array} \\
 \mathbf{A} \\
 \begin{array}{|c|} \hline \begin{array}{ccc} y & 7/15 & 7/15 & 1/15 \\ a & 7/15 & 1/15 & 1/15 \\ m & 1/15 & 7/15 & 13/15 \end{array} \\ \hline \end{array}
 \end{array}$$

y	=	1/3	0.33	0.24	0.26	7/33
a		1/3	0.20	0.20	0.18	5/33
m		1/3	0.46	0.52	0.56	21/33

# PageRank Computation

- **Key step is matrix-vector multiplication**

- $r^{\text{new}} = \mathbf{A} \cdot r^{\text{old}}$

- Easy if we have enough main memory to hold  $\mathbf{A}$ ,  $r^{\text{old}}$ ,  $r^{\text{new}}$

- **Say  $N = 1$  billion pages**

- We need 4 bytes for each entry (say)

- 2 billion entries for vectors, approx 8GB

- **Matrix  $\mathbf{A}$  has  $N^2$  entries**

- $10^{18}$  is a large number!

$$\mathbf{A} = \beta \cdot \mathbf{M} + (1-\beta) [\mathbf{1}/N]_{N \times N}$$

$$\mathbf{A} = 0.8 \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} & 0 \\ \frac{1}{2} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{1}{2} & 1 \end{bmatrix} + 0.2 \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{3} & \frac{1}{3} & \frac{1}{3} \\ \frac{1}{3} & \frac{1}{3} & \frac{1}{3} \\ \frac{1}{3} & \frac{1}{3} & \frac{1}{3} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} \frac{7}{15} & \frac{7}{15} & \frac{1}{15} \\ \frac{7}{15} & \frac{1}{15} & \frac{1}{15} \\ \frac{1}{15} & \frac{7}{15} & \frac{13}{15} \end{bmatrix}$$

# PageRank Computation

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- Suppose there are  $N$  pages
- Consider page  $j$ , with  $d_j$  out-links
- We have  $M_{ij} = 1/d_j$  when  $j \rightarrow i$   
and  $M_{ij} = 0$  otherwise
- **The random teleport is equivalent to:**
  - Adding a **teleport link** from  $j$  to every other page and setting transition probability to  $(1-\beta)/N$
  - Reducing the probability of following each out-link from  $1/d_j$  to  $\beta/d_j$
  - **Equivalent:** Tax each page a fraction  $(1-\beta)$  of its score and redistribute evenly

- $\mathbf{r} = \mathbf{A} \cdot \mathbf{r}$ , where  $A_{ij} = \beta M_{ij} + \frac{1-\beta}{N}$
- $r_i = \sum_{j=1}^N A_{ij} \cdot r_j$
- $r_i = \sum_{j=1}^N \left[ \beta M_{ij} + \frac{1-\beta}{N} \right] \cdot r_j$   
 $= \sum_{j=1}^N \beta M_{ij} \cdot r_j + \frac{1-\beta}{N} \sum_{j=1}^N r_j$   
 $= \sum_{j=1}^N \beta M_{ij} \cdot r_j + \frac{1-\beta}{N}$  since  $\sum r_j = 1$
- So we get:  $\mathbf{r} = \beta \mathbf{M} \cdot \mathbf{r} + \left[ \frac{1-\beta}{N} \right]_N$

- We just rearranged the **PageRank equation**

$$\mathbf{r} = \beta \mathbf{M} \cdot \mathbf{r} + \left[ \frac{1 - \beta}{N} \right]_N$$

- where  $[(1-\beta)/N]_N$  is a vector with all  $N$  entries  $(1-\beta)/N$
- $\mathbf{M}$  is a **sparse matrix!** (with no dead-ends)
  - 10 links per node, approx  $10N$  entries
- So in each iteration, we need to:
  - Compute  $\mathbf{r}^{\text{new}} = \beta \mathbf{M} \cdot \mathbf{r}^{\text{old}}$
  - Add a constant value  $(1-\beta)/N$  to each entry in  $\mathbf{r}^{\text{new}}$ 
    - **Note if  $\mathbf{M}$  contains dead-ends then  $\sum_i r_i^{\text{new}} < 1$  and we also have to renormalize  $\mathbf{r}^{\text{new}}$  so that it sums to 1**

- **Input: Graph  $G$  and parameter  $\beta$**

- Directed graph  $G$  with **spider traps** and dead ends
- Parameter  $\beta$

- **Output: PageRank vector  $r$**

- **Set:**  $r_j^{(0)} = \frac{1}{N}, \quad t = 1$
- **do:**
  - $\forall j: r'_j^{(t)} = \sum_{i \rightarrow j} \beta \frac{r_i^{(t-1)}}{d_i}$   
 $r'_j^{(t)} = 0$  if in-deg. of  $j$  is 0
  - **Now re-insert the leaked PageRank:**  
 $\forall j: r_j^{(t)} = r'_j^{(t)} + \frac{1-S}{N}$  **where:**  $S = \sum_j r'_j^{(t)}$
  - $t = t + 1$
- **while**  $\sum_j |r_j^{(t)} - r_j^{(t-1)}| > \varepsilon$

# Problems with PageRank

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- **Measures generic popularity of a page**
  - Biased against topic-specific authorities
  - **Solution:** Topic-Specific PageRank
- **Uses a single measure of importance**
  - Other models e.g., hubs-and-authorities
  - **Solution:** Hubs-and-Authorities
- **Susceptible to Link spam**
  - Artificial link topographies created in order to boost page rank
  - **Solution:** TrustRank

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## ❑ Hubs and Authorities



- **HITS (Hypertext-Induced Topic Selection)**
  - Is a measure of importance of pages or documents, similar to PageRank
  - Proposed at around same time as PageRank ('98)
- **Goal:** Say we want to find good newspapers
  - Don't just find newspapers. Find "experts" – people who link in a coordinated way to good newspapers
- **Idea: Links as votes**
  - Page is more important if it has more links
    - In-coming links? Out-going links?

## ■ Hubs and Authorities

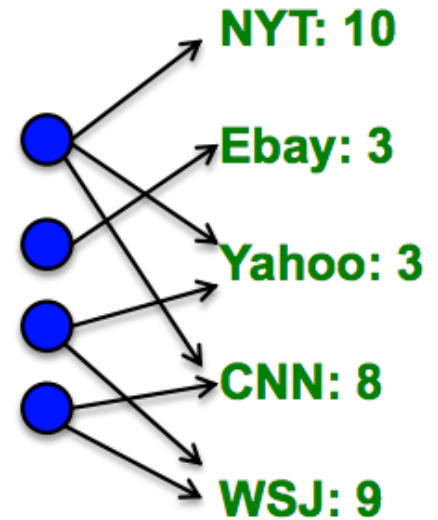
Each page has 2 scores:

### ■ Quality as an expert (**hub**):

- Total sum of votes of authorities pointed to

### ■ Quality as a content (**authority**):

- Total sum of votes coming from experts



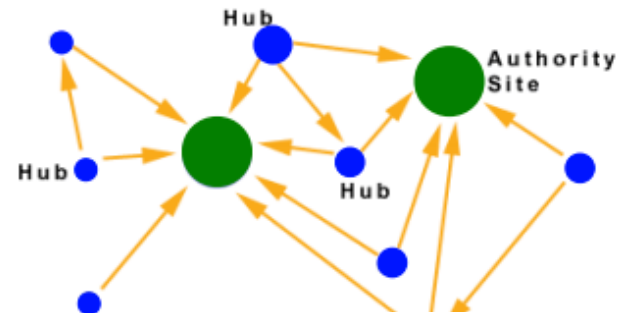
## ■ Principle of repeated improvement

# Hubs and Authorities

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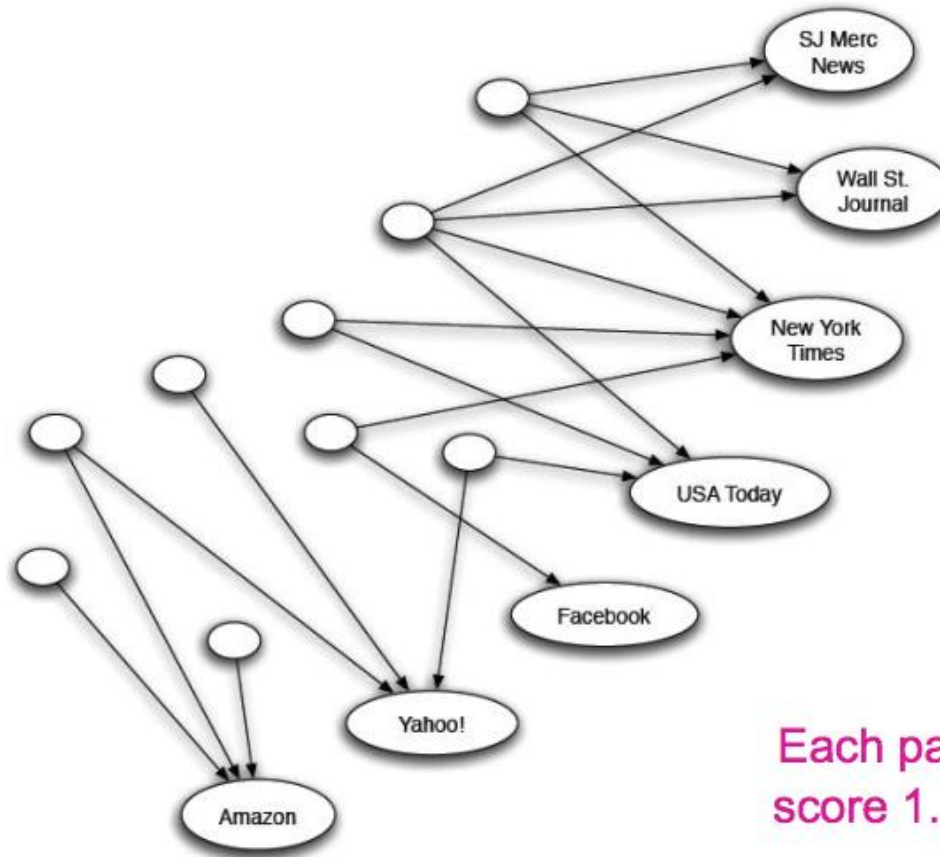
Interesting pages fall into two classes:

1. **Authorities** are pages containing useful information
  - Newspaper home pages
  - Course home pages
  - Home pages of auto manufacturers
2. **Hubs** are pages that link to authorities
  - List of newspapers
  - Course bulletin
  - List of US auto manufacturers



# In-links: Authority

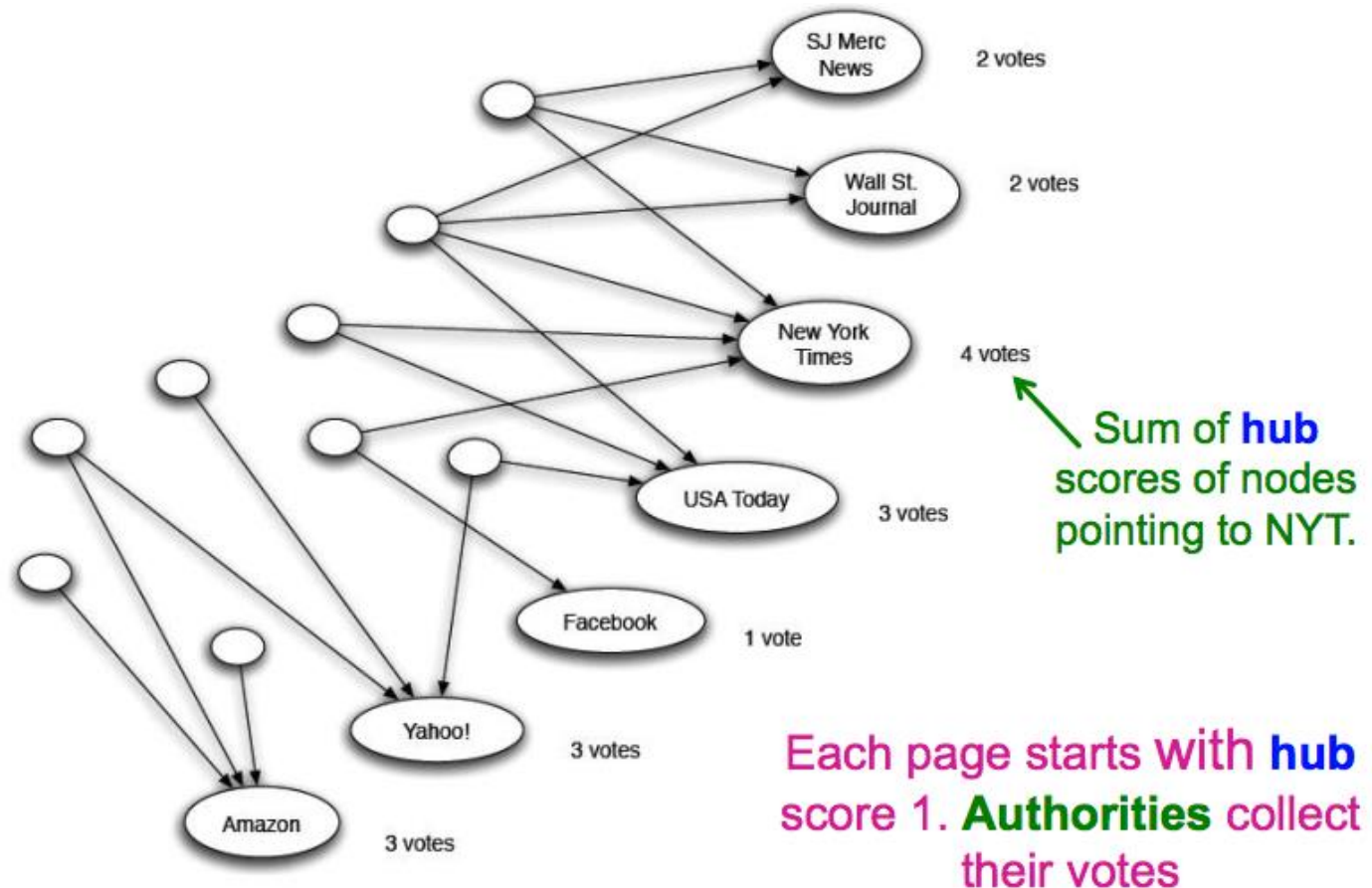
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Each page starts with **hub** score 1. **Authorities** collect their votes

(Note this is idealized example. In reality graph is not bipartite and each page has both the hub and authority score)

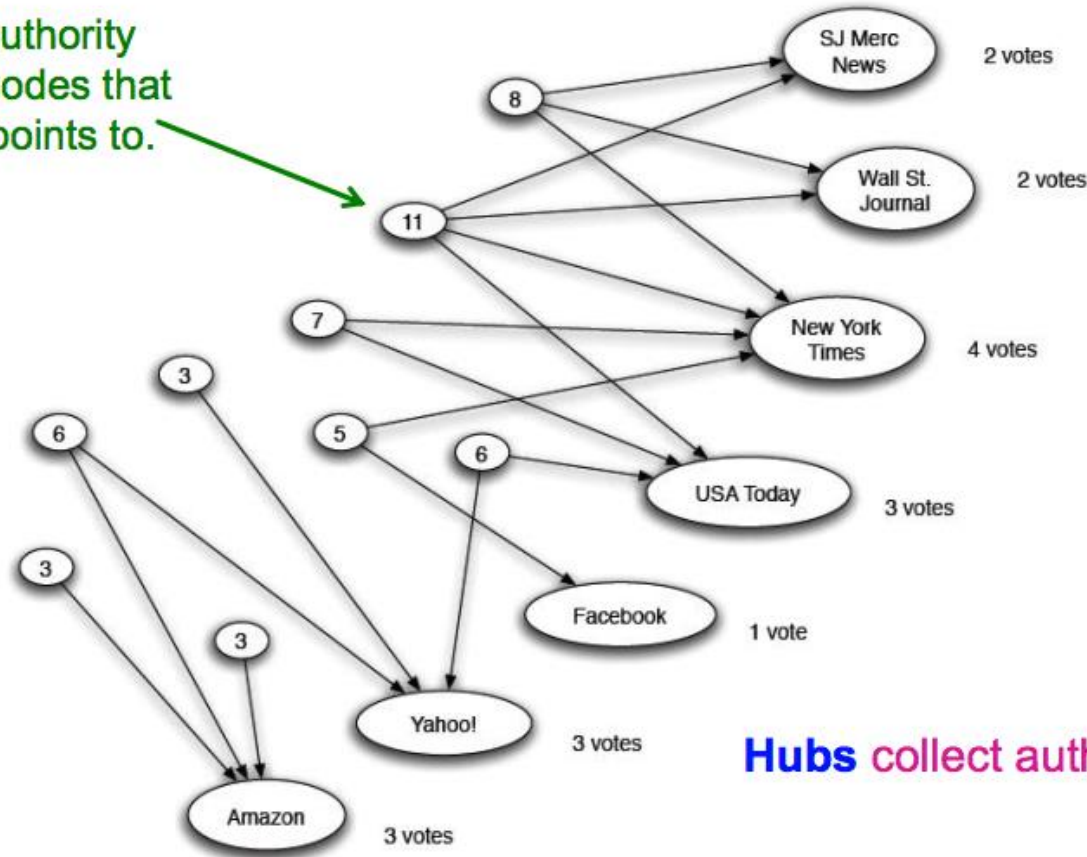
# In-links: Authority



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# Experts Quality: Hub

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

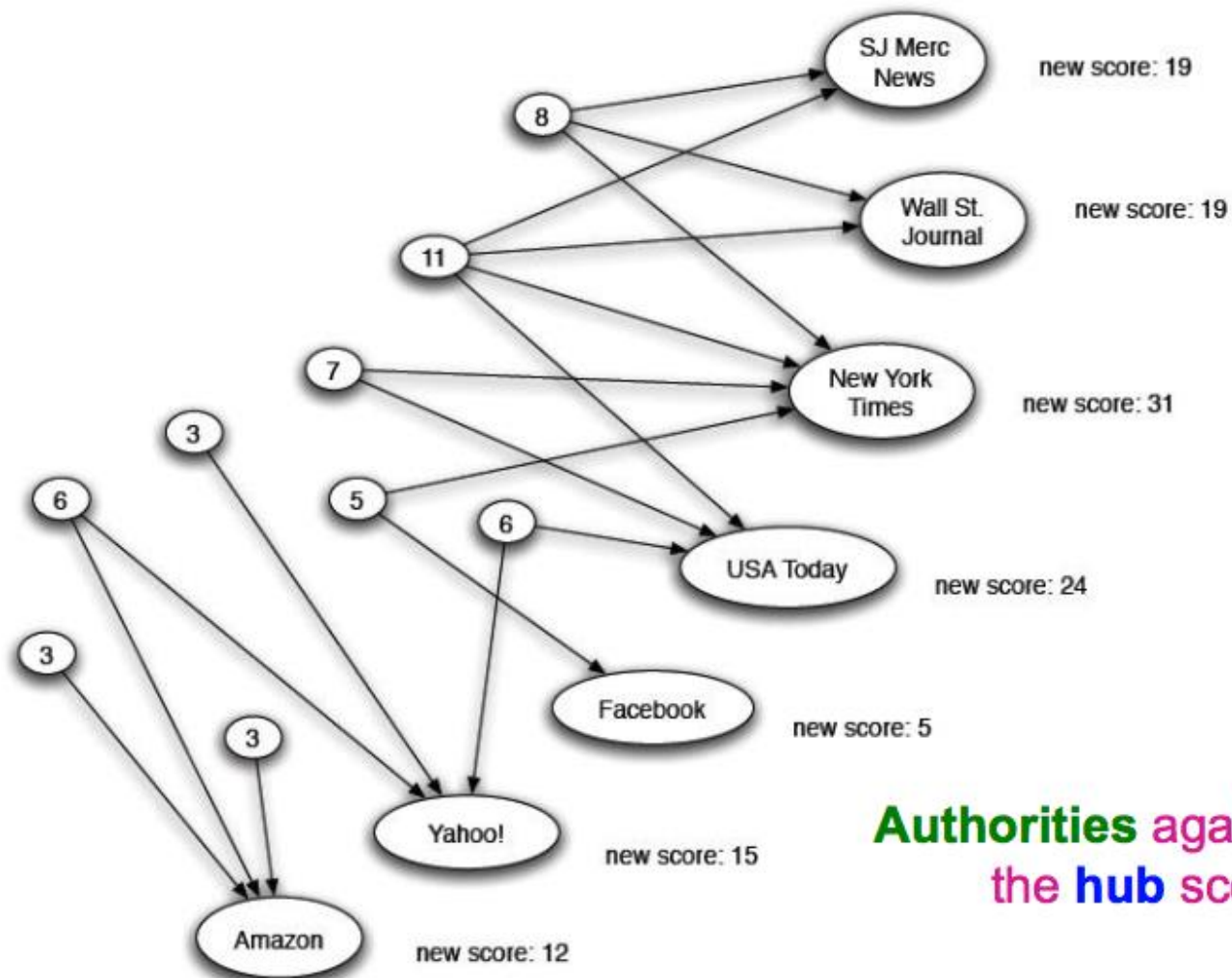


**Hubs** collect authority scores

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# Reweighting



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

(Note this is idealized example. In reality graph is not bipartite  
each page has both the hub and authority score)

- A good hub links to many good authorities
- A good authority is linked from many good hubs
- Model using two scores for each node:
  - Hub score and Authority score
  - Represented as vectors  $h$  and  $a$



# Hubs and Authorities

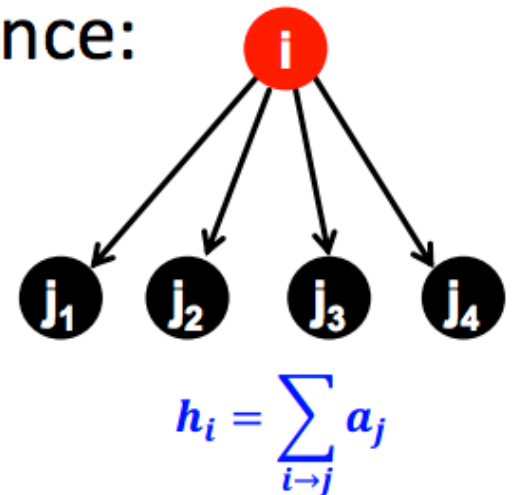
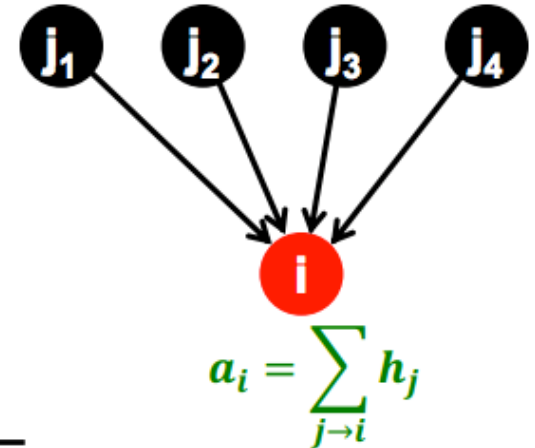
- Each page  $i$  has 2 scores:

- Authority score:  $a_i$
- Hub score:  $h_i$

## HITS algorithm:

- Initialize:  $a_i = 1/\sqrt{n}$ ,  $h_i = 1/\sqrt{n}$
- Then keep iterating until convergence:

- $\forall i$ : **Authority**:  $a_i = \sum_{j \rightarrow i} h_j$
- $\forall i$ : **Hub**:  $h_i = \sum_{i \rightarrow j} a_j$
- $\forall i$ : **Normalize**  $a$ ,  $h$  such that:  
 $\sum_i a_i^2 = 1$ ,  $\sum_i h_i^2 = 1$



- **HITS converges to a single stable point**

- **Notation:**

- 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  $i \rightarrow j$

- **Then**  $h_i = \sum_{i \rightarrow j} a_j$

**can be rewritten as**  $h_i = \sum_j A_{ij} \cdot a_j$

**So:**  $\mathbf{h} = \mathbf{A} \cdot \mathbf{a}$

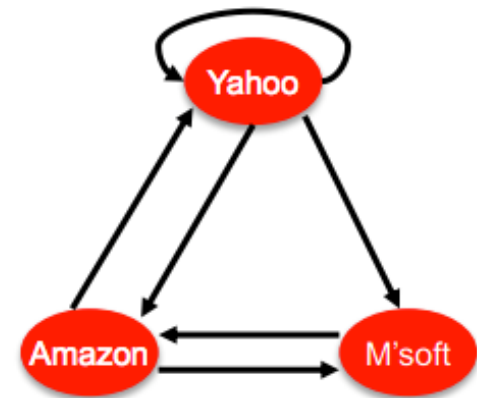
- **Similarly,**  $a_i = \sum_{j \rightarrow i} h_j$

**can be rewritten as**  $a_i = \sum_j A_{ji} \cdot h_j = \mathbf{A}^T \cdot \mathbf{h}$

# Example

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

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



$a(\text{yahoo})$	$=$	.58	.80	.80	.79	...	.788
$a(\text{amazon})$	$=$	.58	.53	.53	.57	...	.577
$a(\text{m'soft})$	$=$	.58	.27	.27	.23	...	.211

$h(\text{yahoo})$	$=$	.58	.58	.62	.62	...	.628
$h(\text{amazon})$	$=$	.58	.58	.49	.49	...	.459
$h(\text{m'soft})$	$=$	.58	.58	.62	.62	...	.628

# Hubs and Authorities

## ■ HITS algorithm in vector notation:

- Set:  $a_i = h_i = \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}}$

Repeat until convergence:

- $h = A \cdot a$

- $a = A^T \cdot h$

- Normalize  $a$  and  $h$

- **Then:**  $a = A^T \cdot \underbrace{(A \cdot a)}_{\text{new } h}$   
new  $a$

- **Thus, in  $2k$  steps:**

$$a = (A^T \cdot A)^k \cdot a$$

$$h = (A \cdot A^T)^k \cdot h$$

**Convergence criterion:**

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

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

**$a$  is updated (in 2 steps):**

$$a = A^T (A a) = (A^T A) a$$

**$h$  is updated (in 2 steps):**

$$h = A (A^T h) = (A A^T) h$$

**Repeated matrix powering**

# Hubs and Authorities

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- $\mathbf{h} = \lambda \mathbf{A} \mathbf{a}$
  - $\mathbf{a} = \mu \mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{h}$
  - $\mathbf{h} = \lambda \mu \mathbf{A} \mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{h}$
  - $\mathbf{a} = \lambda \mu \mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{A} \mathbf{a}$
- $\lambda = 1/\sum h_i$   
 $\mu = 1/\sum a_i$
- Under reasonable assumptions about  $\mathbf{A}$ , HITS **converges to vectors  $\mathbf{h}^*$  and  $\mathbf{a}^*$** :
    - $\mathbf{h}^*$  is the **principal eigenvector** of matrix  $\mathbf{A} \mathbf{A}^T$
    - $\mathbf{a}^*$  is the **principal eigenvector** of matrix  $\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{A}$

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