

Two-Step Optimal Advertisement Strategy on Social Network System

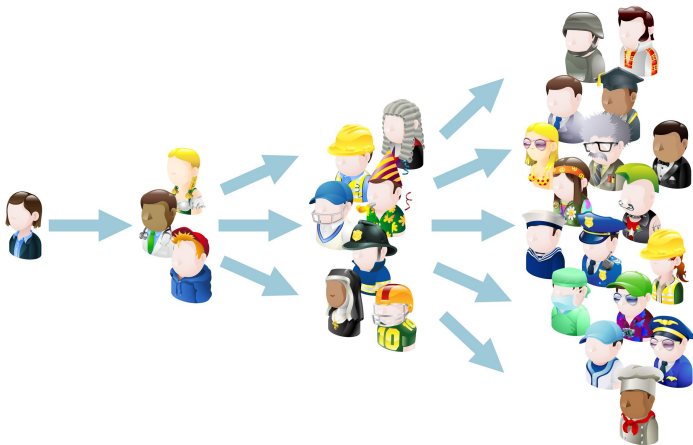
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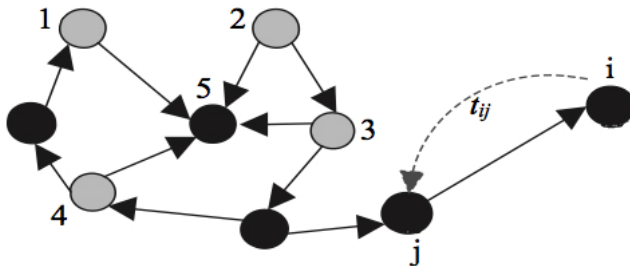
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Advertisement Network



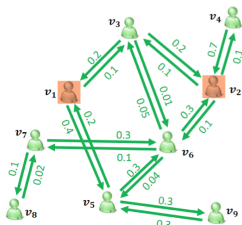
Problem Formulation

- $G = (V, \mathbf{E}, \mathbf{T})$
- $\mathbf{T} = [t_{ij}]_{n \times n}$ transmission matrix for influence propagation

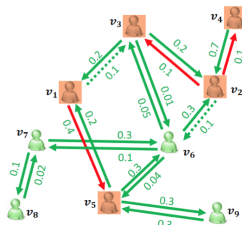


Literature Review

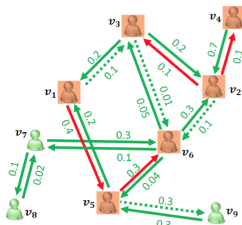
- Independent Cascade Model (ICM) (Goldenberg, 2001)



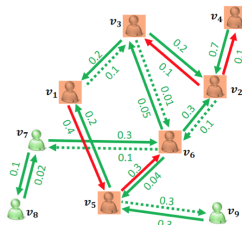
(a) $t = 0$



(b) $t = 1$



(c) $t = 2$



(d) $t = 3$

- Influence Maximization (IM)

$$S = \arg \max_{S \subset V, |S| \leq K} \mathbb{E}[\sigma(S)]$$

- Denote the influence from i to j by $f_{i \rightarrow j}$.

$$f_{i \rightarrow i} = \alpha_i, \alpha_i > 0$$
$$f_{i \rightarrow j} = \frac{1}{1 + \lambda_j} \sum_{k \in N_j} t_{kj} f_{i \rightarrow k}, \text{ for } j \neq i$$

- Constrained optimization problem

$$S = \arg \max_{S \subset V, |S| \leq K} \sum_{i \in S} f_{i \rightarrow V}$$

My Work — Two-step algorithm

- First step — Screening

- ① Objective Function

$$g(U) = \lambda \sum_{u \in U} r(u) + (1 - \lambda) H_0(U)$$

- ② Relevance— $r(u)$: Jaccard coefficient

$$r(u) = \frac{|I_u \cap I_a|}{|I_u \cup I_a|}$$

- ③ Diversity— $H_0(U)$: normalized entropy of the U

- ④ Greedy Algorithm: Submodularity of $g(U)$

- Second Step — L_1 relaxation

- ① Spread coverage matrix \mathbf{R}

- ② Constrained Optimization Problem

$$\begin{aligned}\vec{p} &= \arg \max_{\vec{p} \in \{0,1\}^{\tilde{n}}} \|\mathbf{R}\vec{p}\|_0 \\ \text{s.t. } \mathbf{1}^T \vec{p} &= K \leq \tilde{n}\end{aligned}$$

- ③ L_1 relaxation

- ④ Discrete constraints relaxation

- ⑤ Linear programming

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