End-to-end Graph Analytics

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Research



what is a network or a graph?

Network Components



Network (or Graph) G(N,E)
 Objects: nodes (vertices) N
 Relationships: links (edges) E

Built on the mathematics of graph theory

networks are ubiquitous

Networks: Social



Facebook social graph

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

Networks: Communication

Graph of the Internet (Autonomous Systems)

Power-law degrees [Faloutsos-Faloutsos-Faloutsos, 1999] Robustness [Doyle-Willinger, 2005]

Networks: Knowledge Graph





Understand how humans navigate Wikipedia

Get an idea of how people connect concepts

[West-Leskovec, 2012]

Networks: Biology





Protein-Protein Interaction Networks:

Nodes: Proteins Edges: 'physical' interactions

Metabolic networks:

Nodes: Metabolites and enzymes Edges: Chemical reactions

Networks: Brain



Human brain has between 10-100 billion neurons [Sporns, 2011]

why should we care about networks?

Networks: Common Language



network analysis helps to reveal the underlying dynamics of these systems, not easily observable before

what do we study in networks?

Networks: Structure & Process

Structure and evolution

- What is the structure of a network?
- Why and how did it become to have such structure?

Processes and dynamics

 Networks provide "skeleton" for spreading of information, behavior, diseases





how do we reason about networks?

Reasoning About Networks

Empirical studies/properties

Study network data to find organizational principles

Mathematical models

Probabilistic, graph theory

Algorithms

Methods for analyzing graphs, solving graph-related problems

Properties

Six degrees of separ.



Power-law degrees



Strength of weak ties



Densif. power law, Shrinking diameter





Models

Erdös-Renyi model



Small-world model



Community model



Cascade model



Algorithms

Decentralized search Link prediction



Link analysis





Community detection



Map of Superpowers



CS224W: Social and Information Network Analysis, http://cs224w.stanford.edu

Applying Our Superpowers

Social media analytics



Viral marketing



Applying Our Superpowers

Predicting epidemics: Ebola

Drug design





Our Research

Current Research Focus





C. Streaming & Dynamic Graphs



E. City Science / Urban Informatics / IoT



B. Network Representation Learning



D. Social Media Mining & Analysis



F. Natural Language Processing

Trajectory Data Mining

Problem 1: Trajectory Network Mining
Problem 2: Group Pattern Discovery of Pedestrian Trajectories

Trajectory Network Mining

Node Importance



Given a **network** which node is **more important**?

Node Importance



Various notions of node importance (or node centrality)

- Degree centrality (= degree of u)
- Betweenness centrality (= #shortest paths passing through u)
- Closeness centrality (= avg. length of shortest paths from u to all other nodes of the network)
- Eigenvector centrality (= like PageRank)

Trajectories of Moving Objects



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Proximity Network at time t



proximity threshold $\vdash \theta$

connect all nodes **x**, **y** where **distance(x, y) < θ**

Trajectory Networks





Trajectories

Trajectory Networks

Given a trajectory network which node is more important?

what we care about?

Node Importance in TNs

Node Importance in Trajectory Networks

- Node degrees over time (+ durations)
- Triangles over time (+ durations)
- Connected components over time (+ durations)

Applications

- Rich dynamic network analytics
- Disease spreading (influenza)
- Security (in Vehicle-to-Vehicle communications)

how to solve the problem?

Group Pattern Discovery of Pedestrian Trajectories

Pedestrian Trajectories



what is a group?

many definitions, many algorithms

e.g., *flock*, *convoy*, *evolving-clusters*, *gathering-pattern*, ... [see ACM TIST Tutorial 2015]

Finding Pedestrian Groups

Local Grouping

Intuitive method Spatial-only





key idea

find **pairs** of pedestrians **x**, **y** where **distance(x, y) < θ** expend **pairs** to discover **groups**

Local Grouping



Challenge: Projection into Ground Plane

High perspective distortion - pedestrians closer to the camera appear larger than the ones farther away









expand the key idea to include the time dimension

Global Grouping vs. Time-window Grouping



Global Grouping Time-window Grouping



Trajectolizer: System Overview



Trajectolizer: Interactive Demo





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Back to Our Long-term Goal

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Working with Us

What We are Looking For?



(solid) Math & Stat (solid) Programming

(interest in) Data Mining & ML

Thanks!

Questions?

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