Mathematical Models of the WWW and related networks

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The WWW is an example of a large real-world network.

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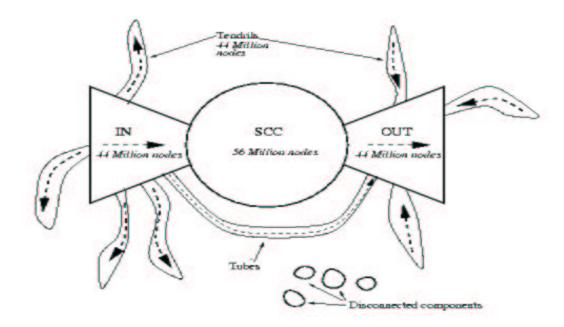
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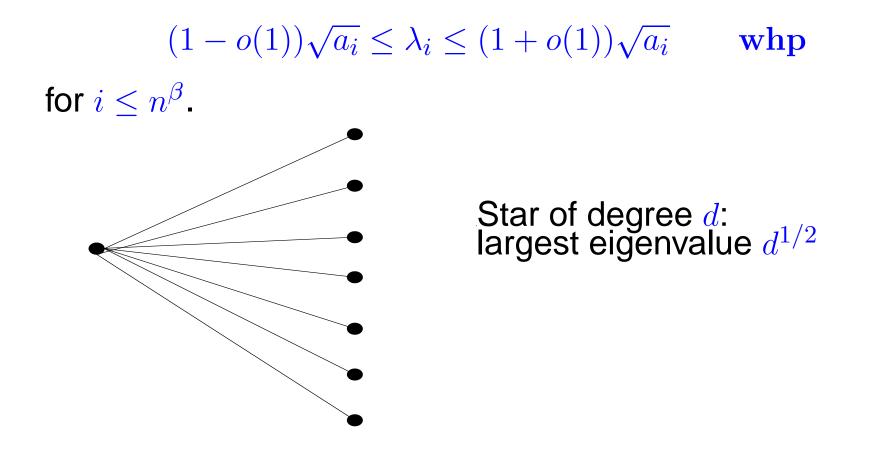
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where $\omega \to \infty$ slowly.

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$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{Pr}(\exists Path \ length \ k, t \to t-1) &\leq \sum_{t_0=t,\dots,t_k=t-1} \prod_{i=1}^k \frac{\omega}{\sqrt{t_{i-1}t_i}} \\ &\leq \omega^k \frac{1}{t(t-1)} \left(\sum_{i=1}^k \frac{1}{i}\right)^k \\ &= o(1). \end{aligned}$$

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This contrasts with PAM which has O(1) in expectation.

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What about deletions during the growing phase?

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D Probability $\alpha - \alpha_1$: Add *m* random edges with endpoints chosen independently as in (-3).

We skip over details of what to do if there are no vertices to delete or what to do with multiple edges etc.

 $\frac{D_k(t)}{D_k(t)}$ is the number of vertices of degree k in G_t and $\overline{D}_k(t) = \mathbf{E}(D_k(t))$.

$$\beta = \frac{2(\alpha - \alpha_0)}{3\alpha - 1 - \alpha_1 - \alpha_0}$$

Theorem

Under natural restrictions on the parameters, there exists a constant $C = C(m, \alpha, \alpha_0, \alpha_1)$ such that for $k \ge 1$,

$$\left|\frac{\overline{D}_k(t)}{t} - Ck^{-1-\beta}\right| = O\left(t^{-\epsilon}\right) + O\left(k^{-2-\beta}\right)$$

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$$(2\alpha - \alpha_{1})m\mathbb{E}\left(-\frac{kD_{k}(t)}{2e_{t}} + \frac{(k-1)D_{k-1}(t)}{2e_{t}} \mid e_{t} > 0\right)\mathbb{Pr}(e_{t} > 0)$$

$$+ (1-\alpha)(k+1)\mathbb{E}\left(\frac{D_{k+1}(t) - D_{k}(t)}{v_{t}} \mid e_{t} > 0\right)\mathbb{Pr}(e_{t} > 0)$$

 $+ \alpha_1 \mathbf{1}_{k=m} + \text{ error terms.}$

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We used Chebychef to handle e_t . Chung and Lu modify Azuma's inequality, avoids constraint on edge deletion prob.

As a consequence we can write

$$\overline{D}_{k}(t+1) = \overline{D}_{k}(t) + (A_{2}(k+1) + B_{2})\frac{D_{k+1}(t)}{t} + (A_{1}k+B_{1}+1)\frac{\overline{D}_{k}(t)}{t} + (A_{0}(k-1)+B_{0})\frac{\overline{D}_{k-1}(t)}{t} + \alpha_{1}1_{k=m} + O(t^{-\epsilon}).$$

$$A_{2} = \frac{1 - \alpha - \alpha_{0}}{\nu} + \frac{m\alpha_{0}}{\eta} \qquad \qquad B_{2} = 0$$

$$A_{1} = -\frac{(2\alpha - \alpha_{1} + 2\alpha_{0})m}{2\eta} - \frac{1 - \alpha - \alpha_{0}}{\nu} \qquad B_{1} = -1 - \frac{1 - \alpha - \alpha_{0}}{\nu}$$

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for a, b, v(t) to be determined.

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The differential equation is homogeneous and can be integrated to give,

$$v(t) = C_0(t-1)^{\beta} (t-A)^{-\beta}$$

where A > 1 and $C_0 \neq 0$.

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Substituting we get the following solution to the homogeneous equation: valid for $k \ge 1$,

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where

 $\gamma < 1.$

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assuming k is large, using Stirling for $\Gamma(k+j)$, $\Gamma(k+j+\beta+1)$, we get $= (1+O(k^{-1}))\beta \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \gamma^j \frac{\Gamma(j+\beta)}{\Gamma(j+1)} (k+\beta+j)^{-\beta-1}$ $= (1+O(k^{-1}))C_1 k^{-1-\beta}$

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$$X_t$$
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where

$$|Y_i - X_t| \le r = n^{\epsilon - 1/2}$$

and the Y_i 's are chosen via preferential attachment.

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In either model, if m is sufficiently large then,

$$\nu_{\ell,m}(t) \sim \mathbf{E} \sum_{s=1}^{t} \prod_{\tau=s}^{t} \left(1 - \frac{d(s,\tau)}{2m\tau} \right)^{\ell}$$

where $d(s, \tau)$ denotes the degree of s in $G(\tau)$. Error in expression of order m^{-1} omitted. Let

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In particular, $\eta_1 = 0.59 \cdots$ and $\eta_\ell \sim 2/\ell$ as $\ell \to \infty$.

Further work

- Try other models of a random web-graph.
- Try non-uniform random walks.
- Prove concentration of the number of vertices visited.

The proof technique is robust enough to handle other models and walks, once one has established rapid mixing. The calculations for various non-uniform walks can get tedious.

It should be possible to estimate the variance of the number of unvisited vertices and apply Chebychef. Stronger concentration seems more challenging.

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Supposed to model surfer who obtains links from first N given by search engine.

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(a) For $i \leq N$ there exists constant $\alpha_i > 0$ such that $\mathbf{E} [\deg_n(x_i)] = \alpha_i n + O(n^{1/2})$

(b) There is an absolute constant A_1 such that for every

$$k \ge m, \overline{d}_k(n) = (1 + o(1)) \frac{A_1 n}{k^{1+2/(1-p)}}.$$

where $\overline{d}_k(n)$ is the expected number of vertices of degree k outside the N largest vertices.