

Ranking with PageRank algorithm

Problem

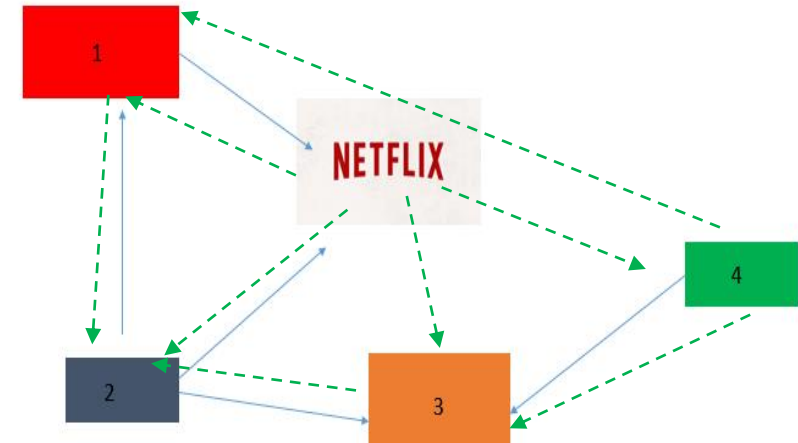
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In the case where we don't have a "nice" graph (not irreducible)
We can view the importance of a page as the probability that a surfer visits this page by clicking randomly on hyperlinks.
 We have to introduce a dumping factor in order to keep on navigating in the graph. So we introduce a matrix T (teleportation)
If we consider at first that the pages have the same probability to be taken as starting point so $x = [1/4 \ 1/4 \ 1/4 \ 1/4]$
 $Q = d \cdot A + (1-d) \cdot T$
The probability that the page 1 will be visited after one step is Ax and k steps $A^k x$. If A is irreducible (there is a path from every edges i to j)
 $\lambda Q = \lambda x$

That we can solve by a power method algorithm.
We have an eigen-value problem

$$\pi A = \pi$$



$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 & \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{1}{3} & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \frac{1}{3} & \frac{1}{2} & 0 & \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{1}{3} & \frac{1}{2} & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

What to do next?

-We need to find the graph of a data and try different weighted functions that can fit: we can approach it by ranking page methods in sports: create a link between from A to B if the teams A beats the team B and weights by the difference of goals.