CSCI5070 Advanced Topics in Social Computing

Assignment 2

Deadline: 15:59:59, November 6 (Tuesday), 2012

1. Ford-Fulkerson Algorithm.

Consider the network flow problem with the following edge capacities, c(u, v) for edge (u, v): c(s, 2) = 2, c(s, 3) = 13, c(2, 5) = 12, c(2, 4) = 10, c(3, 4) = 5, c(3, 7) = 6, c(4, 5) = 1, c(4, 6) = 1, c(6, 5) = 2, c(6, 7) = 3, c(5, t) = 6, c(7, t) = 2.

- (1) Draw the network.
- (2) Run the Ford-Fulkerson algorithm to find the maximum flow. Show each residual graph.
- (3) Show the minimum cut.
 - 2. PageRank and HITS.
 - The the link structure of five web pages is shown in the following figure.



- (1) Suppose d = 0.7, please calculate PageRank score of each state in the first and seconde iterations. The initiate score of each state is 0.2.
- (2) The initialization of hub score and authority score for each node are both 0.2. Please calculate the hub and authority scores of each state in the first and second iterations.

- (3) Please try to find relevant materials to prove the convergence of PageRank algorithm (Hints: PageRank is a special case of Markov Process, where relevant theorems can be found.).
 - 3. Memory-based Collaborative Filtering.

	i_1	i_2	i_3	i_4	i_5	i_6
u_1	0	2	5	3	1	0
u_2	3	3	4	3	0	2
u_3	3	0	0	5	2	2
u_4	5	0	4	4	5	3
u_5	2	3	3	0	2	2

The above table shows the ratings of 5 users on 6 items (The value 0 means the user has not rated the item). Please utilize Pearson Correlation Coefficient (PCC) similarity and Memory-based CF algorithms introduced in the lecture notes to

- (1) find top 2 most similar users of u_3 and estimate u_3 's rating on i_2 using user-based CF.
- (2) find top 2 most similar items of i_5 and estimate u_2 's rating on i_5 using item-based CF.