Efficient Computation of Relationship Centrality in Large Entity-Relationship Graphs

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Relationship Centrality

Given a large Entity-Relationship graph (such as Wikipedia) and two sets of entities S, T, identify entities that play an important role in the **relationship** between S and T



Ingredients:

- Underlying graph structure: Connectivity of the entities
- Semantic relatedness between individual entities to measure connection strength

Query sets can be specified manually or, when combined with a knowledge base such as YAGO, in the form of SPARQL queries.

Semantic Relatedness between Entities



Rock 0.2 0.3 Rock

Link-Based

Count overlapping links **MW** [Milne & Witten, WIKIAI 2008] **Keyphrase-Based**

Intersect weighted keyphrases **KORE** [Hoffart et al., CIKM 2012]

 $PO(p,q) = \frac{\sum_{w \in p \cap q} \min\{\gamma_e(w), \gamma_f(w)\}}{\sum_{w \in p \cup q} \max\{\gamma_e(w), \gamma_f(w)\}}$

Measure

Centrality of vertex v with respect to the query sets S and T:

$$c_R(v) = \sum_{s \in S} \sum_{t \in T} \frac{1}{\rho(s, v, t,)}$$

Using a connection *penalty* of the form

 $\rho(s, v, t) = (1 + d(s, v))(1 + d(v, t))$

• Distance *d*(*s*,*v*) captures the dissimilarity between the entities and depends on the semantic relatedness measure, for example

$$d(s, v) = 1 - \mathrm{KORE}(s, v)$$

Computation: |S|+|T| rounds of Dijkstra's algorithm
Speedup: Stop expansion after specified distance bound Δ.

Example Results

- Query 1: Events between European politicians and politicians from the United States
- Query 2: *Movies* between US action movie stars and Asian action movie stars



Query 3: Events between countries from Middle East/Central Asia and Western countries

Rank Entity

1 2009 G-20 Pittsburgh sum.

- 2 2010 G-20 Toronto summit
- 3 37th G8 summit
- 4 Iraq War
- 5 35th G8 summit
- 6 2009 G-20 London Summit
- 7 36th G8 summit
- 8 2010 G-20 Seoul summit
- 9 Presidency of G. W. Bush
- 10 2009 Nobel Peace Prize
- Rank Entity1The Expendables (2010 film)2Crouching Tiger, Hidden Dragon
 - The Forbidden Kingdom
 - Rush Hour 2
- 5 Police Story (1985 film)
- 6 Once Upon a Time in China II
- 7 Fist of Fury
 - Romeo Must Die
 - 9 Kung Fu Hustle
 - 10 Fearless (2006 film)
- Rank Entity
 - 1 Iraq War
 - War in Afghanistan
- 3 Gulf War
- Op. Enduring Freedom
- Yom Kippur War
- 6 War on Terror
- Battle of Karameh
- Palestinian diaspora
- Operation Opera
- 10 Suez Crisis

Query	$\Delta = \infty$	$\Delta = 1$		$\Delta = 0.5$	
	Time	Time	au	Time	au
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QI	41,900.40 ms	18,029.80 ms	1.0	4,010.05 ms	0.55
Q2	48,174.80 ms	15,002.70 ms	1.0	5,117.02 ms	0.60
Q3	71,162.50 ms	32,028.50 ms	1.0	7,858.39 ms	0.87

- Execution times over the Wikipedia graph (~37M edges)
- Different choice of distance bound Δ



