Graph mining

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Outline

- Graph definition revision
- Motivation examples
- Graph mining settings
- Similarity measures
- Frequent subgraph mining
- Basic mining tasks (classification, clustering, ...)

Graphs

- Directed graph $G = (V, E, \mu, \nu)$
 - V set of nodes
 - $E \subseteq V \times V$ set of edges
 - $\mu: V \to L_V$ node labeling function, L_V set of node labels
 - $\nu: E \to L_E$ edge labeling function, L_E set of edge labels
- Undirected graph similarly



Motivation – graphs in real world

- World Wide Web graph
- Social networks
- Chemical compounds (atoms and bonds)
- Biological networks (protein-protein interaction, metabolic pathways, ...)
- XML documents
- Software engineering (UML diagrams work flows, ...)

Graph mining settings

- One (large) graph (single-graph setting) vs. database of graphs (graph-transaction setting)
- Directed vs. undirected graphs
- Dynamic vs. static graphs

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(c)

Graph (b) is isomorphic to (a) and (c) is isomorphic to a subgraph of (a)

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Two graphs (a) and (b) and a maximum common subgraph (c)

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- Graph-edit distance for given costs of operations (node addition/deletion, edge addition/deletion, ...), find the minimum total cost of operations needed to transform one graph into another one.

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- Maximum Common Subgraph NP-hard
- Graph-edit distance
- Kernels
 - Complete kernel (distinguishes nonisomorphic graphs) as hard as isomorphism
 - For example: Walk-based kernels (e.g. Direct Product Kernel)
- Frequent subgraphs (next section)

In-graph similarity (between vertices)

 Shared Nearest Neighbor (SNN) – vertices v_i and v_j from the original graph are neighbors in SNN graph, if they have at least k neighbors in common in the original graph



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 - For example: Neumann Kernel, Laplacian Kernel

Frequent subgraph: A subgraph which *occurs* in at least *n* graphs (or *n* times in one graph) on input for a given minimum support *n*.

Carbonic Acid

O-H present in $\frac{3}{4}$ inputs \rightarrow frequent if support <= 3



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- Possible to use *relative* support (%) for graph-transaction setting
- Applications: characterization of graphs, classifying, clustering, association rules, indexing
 - Specific example: Analyzing web server logs (each user -> one tree of visited pages; mine frequent subgraphs to find a better way of organizing structure of hyperlinks)
- Problem: not possible to use subgraph isomorphism (NP-complete!)

General process:

- Candidate generation: which patterns will be considered
- Candidate pruning: if a candidate is not a viable frequent pattern, can we exploit the pattern to prevent unnecessary work?
 - Subgraphs and subsets exponentiate as size increases!
- *Support counting*: how many of a given pattern exist?
- Apriori principle: if an itemset is frequent, then all of its subsets are also frequent.
 - Example: if itemset {A, B, C, D} is frequent, then {A, B} is frequent

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Rightmost path vertex

When building DFS codes, must expand all back edges first!

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- Uses DFS Code Tree to keep all possible DFS codes

0-edge	
1-edge	
2-edge	

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Subdue

- Approximate FSM algorithm on labeled graphs or a single graph
- Directed or undirected graphs
- Not based on support
- Outputs structures which compress the input graph well

Sleuth

• FSM algorithm on rooted trees – both ordered and unordered

Original

 Mines *induced* (can only contain edges from the original tree) or *embedded* (can have edges between ancestors and descendants) subtrees



Induced

Embedded

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 - all nodes are usually understood to be of the same type, the goal is to associate a relative quantitative assessment with each node
 - Applications: ranking web pages by a search engine (PageRank)

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- Methods based on substructures for example: gBoost, DT-CLGBI (figure)
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- Applications: classifying molecules as toxic or non-toxic

• Within-graph classification – each node in a graph is assigned to a class

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- Applications: classification of web pages

Clustering graphs

- Divides a set of graphs into different clusters
- Applications: grouping of chemical compounds into clusters based on their structural similarity
- Kernels -> kernel k-means clustering
- Regular clustering methods on graphs represented by frequent substructures

Clustering nodes

- Divides the nodes of a graph into clusters
- Applications: clustering of people in social networks; clusters group people with similar interests
- Minimum spanning tree clustering
 - 1. Find minimum spanning tree of a graph
 - 2. Remove k-1 edges with the highest weight -> k clusters



Clustering nodes

- Shared Nearest Neighbor (SNN) Clustering
 - Place a pair of objects into the same cluster, if the number of common neighbors they share is more than some *threshold* τ .

SNN graph of input graph G



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- Maximal Clique Enumeration

Examples of other tasks

Outlier detection

- Searching for outlying nodes or whole graphs
- Methods for measuring similarity and clustering can be used
- Association rules
 - Frequent subgraphs may be used as frequent patterns in classic algorithms
- Link prediction
 - In dynamic graphs; task is to predict new edges that will be probably added to a graph



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