

Structure and Evolution of Social Networks



Investigation plan

Emergence of Online Social Networks

Infection based multiplex model

Social contagion

Two layer structure

Social influence drives OSN subscriptions and intrinsically leads to multiplex structure.

Multidimensional popularity/similarity model

Individuals optimize popularity and similarity in multiple popularity/similarity spaces.

Papadopoulos, Kitsak, Serrano, Boguñá, Krioukov (Popularity versus similarity in growing networks, 2012)

Temporal networks and navigability

Links can be active or inactive

1 → 4 ✓ 4 → 1 ✗

Generalization of phase diagram and metric

Boguñá et al (Navigability of complex networks, 2008)

Investigate effects of link activity on navigability γ and add temporal dimension to phase diagram.

Non-Markovian dynamics on complex Networks

Markovian dynamics	Non-Markovian dynamics	Non-Markovian probability
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Well studied on complex networks For example epidemic spreading Good approximation for many problems May not be appropriate for dynamics of social interactions 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Barely studied on complex networks Very important for social interactions Interesting: integro-differential equations of the form $\frac{d\rho}{dt} = \int_0^t dt' \psi(t-t') F(\rho, t')$ <p style="text-align: center;">in mean-field approximation</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">τ</p>
<p>Investigation of non-Markovian dynamics is essential to understand social interactions.</p>		<p>Probability depends on time since last event occurred.</p>

Ongoing work

Empiric data

Facebook

Degree distribution, clustering spectrum, and degree correlations for facebook graph. Taken from Ugander, et al, The anatomy of the facebook social graph, 2011.

Analysis of graph of ~720 million nodes.

Degree and clustering of empiric OSNs

High clustering and heavy tailed degree distribution.

Evolution of Poksec (Slovakian OSN)

Evolution of Poksec can be compared with models.

Info Poksec:
 • most popular OSN in Slovakia
 • 1.6 million nodes
 • 30 million edges
 • more than 10 years of data
 • Reciprocal subset 1.2 million nodes

Infection model

S1 - Model

Add weights

$$\omega(i, j) \propto \frac{N(\square)}{N(\square) + N(\square)}$$

$$\omega_{OSN} = f[\omega_{Tra}]$$

Size and mean degree evolution

Size evolution of infection model coincides well with Poksec network.

Multidimensional similarity/popularity model

Multidimensional layout

Two networks created according to similarity/popularity model independently. Then, we make interconnections to label same vertices.

Interconnections

$$q(t_a, t_b) \text{ joint probability for nodes a, b to have } t_a, t_b.$$

Expected degree

$$\bar{k}(t_a, t_b) = C_a \left[\frac{T}{t_a} \right]^{2\alpha} + C_b \left[\frac{T}{t_b} \right]^{2\beta}$$

Collapsed aggregated network

Degree distribution 1D

$$p(k) = \frac{C^{1/2}}{z k!} \Gamma \left[k - \frac{1}{2}, C, CT^z \right] \propto k^{-\gamma}$$

Degree distribution 2D

Assortative interc. Disassortative interc.

$$q(t_a, t_b) = \frac{1}{T} \delta(t_a - t_b) \quad q(t_a, t_b) = \frac{1}{T} \delta(t_a - (T+1-t_b))$$

$$p(k) = \sum_{t=1}^T e^{-k(t,t)} \times \frac{1}{k(t,t)} \frac{1}{k!} \quad p(k) = \sum_{t=1}^T e^{-k(t,T+1-t)} \times \frac{1}{k(t,T+1-t)} \frac{1}{k!}$$

Multiplex approach (outlook)

- Overlap measures topological similarity between different layers
- High overlap implies common multi-dimensional metric space
- Formulate parameter $0 < p < 1$ to characterize metric property

- $p \approx 0$: subspaces are different
- $p \approx 1$: subspaces form common metric space

Outlook: Investigation of multiplex metric properties.