Maps of Computer Science

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Creating Maps from Paper Titles

- Graph vertices ("cities"): terms representing research topics
- Graph edges ("roads"): term similarity, co-occurrence
- Vertex clusters ("countries"): generally reflect research areas



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Main problems:

- large dataset (448,374 different words; 2,089,736 phrases)
- short text (only titles, with 10 words on average)

The MoCS System





Term Extraction

Multi-word phrases ("collocations")

- Specificity: "wireless sensor networks" as a type of "network"
- Context: "travelling salesman problem", not "salesman"
- POS tagging and filtering Justeson and Katz, 1995
 POS NNS IN JJ NN NN
 word applications of wireless sensor networks
- Extract noun and adjective subsequences
- Multi-word, or break up into single words







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- Best results: C-Value Frantzi et al, 2000
 - Term frequency: +
 - 2 Length of the term: +
 - Occurrences nested in other terms: -
 - Oumber of these other terms: +

Term Similarity: LSA and Cosine

- Term-document matrix A
- Latent Semantic Analysis (LSA) decompose A
- Cosine distance compare angles

$$Dist(T_i, T_j) = \frac{T_i \cdot T_j}{||T_i|| ||T_j||}$$

- Small angle (large cosine): similar terms
- Large angle (small cosine): dissimilar terms

D3

D2 🕊

- Idea: terms are similar if they are used together in titles
- Treat as set similarity: S_i is the set of documents with term i
- Jaccard coefficient:

$$Jacc(S_i, S_j) = rac{|S_i \cap S_j|}{|S_i \cup S_j|}$$

- Extra difficult due to multi-word terms
- Partial match Jaccard: count co-occurrence if terms overlap

Filtering and Distance Scaling

- $\bullet~\mbox{LSA}$ and Jaccard return similarity values between 0 and 1
- Convert to distances for graph drawing
- Inverse logarithmic spacing
- Top Terms: only plot N highest-ranked terms
- Pull Lesser Terms: plot K most similar terms for each term t



Making a Map with GMap

- Input: vertex-weighted, edge-weighted graph G = (V, E)
- Output: map, with clusters as countries and vertices as cities
- GMap: a framework for embedding + clustering + mapping
 - different algorithms: embedding, clustering, mapping
 - different overlays: journal profile, author profile, paper profile



GMap Overview

- Embedding
 - scalable force-directed method
 - iterative improvement
 - minimal energy \Rightarrow good layout
- Clustering
 - modularity clustering
 - group vertices such that:
 - high edge density within groups
 - low edge density between groups
- Mapping
 - modified Voronoi Diagram
 - add bounding box
 - add dummy points to get nice borders





























Heatmap Profiles

- Visualize an author, conference, journal, or timeframe
- Want to see intensity of term usage and spread over the map
- Extract terms in same way as basemap
- Count frequencies of term intersection

$$\hat{l}(t) = rac{\log(tf(t)+eta)}{\max_{\hat{t}}\log(tf(\hat{t})+eta)}$$

tf(t): frequency of term t in heatmap query β : small constant

Symposium on Theory of Computing



Robert E. Tarjan



Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition



Thomas S. Huang



International Conference on Web Services



Wolfgang Nejdl



Trans. on Visualization and Computer Graphics (TVCG)



- Separate queries for basemaps and heatmaps
- DBLP metadata allows query variation
 - by venue: 1,324 journals; 6,904 conferences
 - by author: 1,237,445 authors
 - by date: 1950 present
- Visualize authors in the context of their venues
- Visualize change in a venue's research focus over time

Author Heatmaps: Kwan-Liu Ma over TVCG



Author Heatmaps: Michael I. Jordan over NIPS



Temporal Heatmaps: JACM 1954-1963



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Temporal Heatmaps: JACM 1964-1973



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Temporal Heatmaps: JACM 1994-2003



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- Can vary basemap and heatmap queries independently
- Runtime varies: a few seconds for an author, about a minute for 60,000 doc sample of all papers
- Open source, modular, extensible add your own term similarity, ranking, etc. functions: github.com/dpfried/mocs
- Interactive web interface: mocs.cs.arizona.edu

- Dealing with sparsity: using abstracts and full papers
- Reducing map fragmentation with contiguous country maps
- Try on paper corpora from other domains
 - PubMed
 - arXiv
- Map validation: consistency and recall (expert evaluation)

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Thanks!