Web Mining ed Analisi delle Reti Sociali

Introduzione all'Analisi delle Reti Sociali

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Materiale didattico

- Slides by Jiawei Han, Univ. of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign
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- Chapter 9.2 of the book: Jiawei Han and Micheline Kamber. *Data Mining: Concepts and Techniques*, 2nd ed. Morgan Kaufmann Publishers, 2006.
- Consultazione: Duncan J. Watts. Six Degrees: The Science of a Connected Age. (Norton, New York, 2003), Mining: Concepts and Techniques

Social Network Analysis

- Social Network Introduction
- Statistics and Probability Theory
- Models of Social Network Generation
- Networks in Biological System
- Mining on Social Network
- Summary

Society

Nodes: individuals

Links: social relationship (family/work/friendship/etc.)



S. Milgram (1967) John Guare Six Degre

Six Degrees of Separation

Social networks: Many <u>individuals</u> with <u>diverse</u> social interactions between them.

Social networks: Actor Connectivity



Social networks: Sex-Web



Nodes: people (Females; Males) **Links:** sexual relationships



4781 Swedes; 18-74; 59% response rate. Liljeros et al. Nature 2001

Information networks: Science Citation Index



* citation total may be skewed because of multiple authors with the same name

Information network: Science Coauthorship

Nodes: scientist (authors) Links: write paper together



Communication networks



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Tech. networks: Internet Backbone

Nodes: computers, routers Links: physical lines



(Faloutsos, Faloutsos and Faloutsos, 1999)





Biological networks: Food Web



Nodes: trophic species Links: trophic interactions



R.J. Williams, N.D. Martinez Nature (2000)

Data Mining: Concepts and Techniques

"Natural" Networks and Universality

- Consider many kinds of networks:
 - social, technological, business, economic, content,...
- These networks tend to share certain *informal* properties:
 - Iarge scale; continual growth
 - distributed, organic growth: vertices "decide" who to link to
 - interaction restricted to links
 - mixture of local and long-distance connections
 - abstract notions of distance: geographical, content, social,...
- Do natural networks share more *quantitative* universals?
- What would these "universals" be?
- How can we make them precise and measure them?
- How can we explain their universality?
- This is the domain of *social network theory*
- Sometimes also referred to as *link analysis*