

**Appendix of the KDD 2020 paper “Local Community Detection in Multiple Networks”**

**APPENDIX**

**The proof of Theorem 1**

In Theorem 1, we discuss the weak-convergence of the modified transition matrix  $\mathcal{P}_i^{(t)}$  in general multiple networks. Because after each iteration,  $\mathcal{P}_i^{(t)}$  needs to be column-normalized to keep the stochastic property, we let  $\hat{\mathcal{P}}_i^{(t)}$  represent the column-normalized one. Then Theorem 1 is for the residual  $\Delta(t+1) = \|\hat{\mathcal{P}}_i^{(t+1)} - \hat{\mathcal{P}}_i^{(t)}\|_\infty$ . In the proof, we will utilize some results in the proof of Theorem 2.

PROOF.

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta(t+1) &= \|\hat{\mathcal{P}}_i^{(t+1)} - \hat{\mathcal{P}}_i^{(t)}\|_\infty \\ &= \max\{|\hat{\mathcal{P}}_i^{(t+1)}(x, y) - \hat{\mathcal{P}}_i^{(t)}(x, y)|\} \\ &= \max\left\{\left|\frac{\mathcal{P}_i^{(t+1)}(x, y)}{\sum_z \mathcal{P}_i^{(t+1)}(z, y)} - \frac{\mathcal{P}_i^{(t)}(x, y)}{\sum_z \mathcal{P}_i^{(t)}(z, y)}\right|\right\} \end{aligned}$$

Based on Eq. (2), we have for all  $t$ ,  $\frac{1}{K} \leq \sum_z \mathcal{P}_i^{(t)}(z, y) \leq 1$ .

We denote  $\min\{\mathcal{P}_i^{(t+1)}(x, y), \mathcal{P}_i^{(t)}(x, y)\}$  as  $p$  and  $\min\{\sum_z \mathcal{P}_i^{(t+1)}(z, y), \sum_z \mathcal{P}_i^{(t)}(z, y)\}$  as  $m$ . From the proof of Theorem 2, we know that

$$|\mathcal{P}_i^{(t+1)}(x, y) - \mathcal{P}_i^{(t)}(x, y)| \leq \lambda^t K$$

and

$$\left| \sum_z \mathcal{P}_i^{(t+1)}(z, y) - \sum_z \mathcal{P}_i^{(t)}(z, y) \right| \leq \lambda^t K |V_i|$$

Then, we have

$$\begin{aligned} &\left| \frac{\mathcal{P}_i^{(t+1)}(x, y)}{\sum_z \mathcal{P}_i^{(t+1)}(z, y)} - \frac{\mathcal{P}_i^{(t)}(x, y)}{\sum_z \mathcal{P}_i^{(t)}(z, y)} \right| \\ &\leq \frac{p + \lambda^t K}{m} - \frac{p}{m + \lambda^t K |V_i|} \\ &\leq \frac{m\lambda^t K + |V_i|(\lambda^t K)^2 + pK|V_i|\lambda^t}{m^2} \\ &= \lambda^t \frac{mK + K^2|V_i|\lambda^t + pK|V_i|}{m^2} \end{aligned}$$

When  $t > \lceil -\log_\lambda(K^2|V_i|) \rceil$ , we have  $\lambda^t K^2|V_i| \leq 1$ . Thus,

$$\Delta(t+1) \leq \lambda^t \frac{mK + K^2|V_i|\lambda^t + pK|V_i|}{m^2} \leq \lambda^t K^2(|V_i| + 2)$$

Then, it's derived that  $\Delta(t+1) \leq \epsilon$  when  $t > \lceil \log_\lambda \frac{\epsilon}{K^2(|V_i|+2)} \rceil$ .  $\square$

**The proof of Theorem 2**

Theorem 2 discusses the weak-convergence of the modified transition matrix  $\mathcal{P}_i^{(t)}$  in the special multiplex networks which have the same node set in all networks. In the multiplex networks, cross-transition matrices are just I, so the stochastic property of  $\mathcal{P}_i^{(t)}$  can be naturally guaranteed without the column-normalization of  $\mathcal{P}_i^{(t)}$ . We then define  $\Delta(t+1) = \|\mathcal{P}_i^{(t+1)} - \mathcal{P}_i^{(t)}\|_\infty$ .

PROOF. Based on Eq. (3) and Eq. (2), we have

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta(t+1) &= \|\mathcal{P}_i^{(t+1)} - \mathcal{P}_i^{(t)}\|_\infty \\ &= \left\| \sum_{j=0}^K [\hat{\mathbf{W}}^{(t+1)}(i, j) - \hat{\mathbf{W}}^{(t)}(i, j)] \mathbf{P}_j \right\|_\infty \\ &= \left\| \sum_{j \in L_i} [\hat{\mathbf{W}}^{(t+1)}(i, j) - \hat{\mathbf{W}}^{(t)}(i, j)] \mathbf{P}_j \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \sum_{j \in \bar{L}_i} [\hat{\mathbf{W}}^{(t+1)}(i, j) - \hat{\mathbf{W}}^{(t)}(i, j)] \mathbf{P}_j \right\|_\infty \end{aligned}$$

where  $L_i = \{j | \hat{\mathbf{W}}^{(t+1)}(i, j) \geq \hat{\mathbf{W}}^{(t)}(i, j)\}$ , and  $\bar{L}_i = \{1, 2, \dots, K\} - L_i$ . Since all entries in  $\mathbf{P}_j$  are non-negative, for all  $j$ , all entries in the first part is non-negative and all entries in the second part is non-positive. Thus, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta(t+1) &= \max\left\{ \left\| \sum_{j \in L_i} [\hat{\mathbf{W}}^{(t+1)}(i, j) - \hat{\mathbf{W}}^{(t)}(i, j)] \mathbf{P}_j \right\|_\infty, \right. \\ &\quad \left. \left\| \sum_{j \in \bar{L}_i} [\hat{\mathbf{W}}^{(t+1)}(i, j) - \hat{\mathbf{W}}^{(t)}(i, j)] \mathbf{P}_j \right\|_\infty \right\} \end{aligned}$$

Since for all  $i$ , score vector  $\mathbf{x}_i^{(t)}$  is non-negative, we have  $\cos(\mathbf{x}_i^{(t)}, \mathbf{x}_k^{(t)}) \geq 0$ . Thus,  $\sum_k \mathbf{W}^{(t+1)}(i, k) \geq \sum_k \mathbf{W}^{(t)}(i, k)$ . For the first part, we have

$$\begin{aligned} &\left\| \sum_{j \in L_i} [\hat{\mathbf{W}}^{(t+1)}(i, j) - \hat{\mathbf{W}}^{(t)}(i, j)] \mathbf{P}_j \right\|_\infty \\ &= \left\| \sum_{j \in L_i} \left[ \frac{\mathbf{W}^{(t+1)}(i, j)}{\sum_k \mathbf{W}^{(t+1)}(i, k)} - \frac{\mathbf{W}^{(t)}(i, j)}{\sum_k \mathbf{W}^{(t)}(i, k)} \right] \mathbf{P}_j \right\|_\infty \\ &\leq \left\| \sum_{j \in L_i} \left[ \frac{\mathbf{W}^{(t)}(i, j) + \lambda^t}{\sum_k \mathbf{W}^{(t)}(i, k)} - \frac{\mathbf{W}^{(t)}(i, j)}{\sum_k \mathbf{W}^{(t)}(i, k)} \right] \mathbf{P}_j \right\|_\infty \\ &\leq \left\| \sum_{j \in L_i} \frac{\lambda^t}{\sum_k \mathbf{W}^{(t)}(i, k)} \mathbf{P}_j \right\|_\infty \\ &\leq \left\| \sum_{j \in L_i} \lambda^t \mathbf{P}_j \right\|_\infty \\ &\leq \lambda^t K \end{aligned}$$

Similarly, we can prove the second part has the same bound.

$$\begin{aligned} &\left\| \sum_{j \in \bar{L}_i} [\hat{\mathbf{W}}^{(t+1)}(i, j) - \hat{\mathbf{W}}^{(t)}(i, j)] \mathbf{P}_j \right\|_\infty \\ &= \left\| \sum_{j \in \bar{L}_i} \left[ \frac{\mathbf{W}^{(t)}(i, j)}{\sum_k \mathbf{W}^{(t)}(i, k)} - \frac{\mathbf{W}^{(t+1)}(i, j)}{\sum_k \mathbf{W}^{(t+1)}(i, k)} \right] \mathbf{P}_j \right\|_\infty \\ &= \left\| \sum_{j \in \bar{L}_i} \left[ \frac{\mathbf{W}^{(t)}(i, j)}{\sum_k \mathbf{W}^{(t)}(i, k)} \right. \right. \\ &\quad \left. \left. - \frac{\mathbf{W}^{(t)}(i, j) + \lambda^{(t+1)} \cos(\mathbf{x}_i^{(t+1)}, \mathbf{x}_j^{(t+1)})}{\sum_k \mathbf{W}^{(t)}(i, k) + \lambda^{(t+1)} \cos(\mathbf{x}_i^{(t+1)}, \mathbf{x}_k^{(t+1)})} \right] \mathbf{P}_j \right\|_\infty \\ &\leq \lambda^t \left| \frac{\sum_k \cos(\mathbf{x}_i^{(t+1)}, \mathbf{x}_k^{(t+1)}) - \sum_{j \in \bar{L}_i} \cos(\mathbf{x}_i^{(t+1)}, \mathbf{x}_j^{(t+1)})}{\sum_k \mathbf{W}^{(t)}(i, k)} \right| \\ &\leq \lambda^t K \end{aligned}$$

Thus, we have

$$\Delta(t+1) \leq \lambda^t K$$

Then, we know  $\Delta(t+1) \leq \epsilon$  when  $t > \lceil \log_\lambda \frac{\epsilon}{K} \rceil$ .  $\square$

### The proof of Theorem 4

PROOF. According to the proof of Theorem 1, when  $T_e > \lceil -\log_\lambda(K^2|V_i|) \rceil$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \| \mathcal{P}_i^{(\infty)} - \mathcal{P}_i^{(T_e)} \|_\infty \\ & \leq \| \sum_{t=T_e}^{\infty} \mathcal{P}_i^{(t+1)} - \mathcal{P}_i^{(t)} \|_\infty \\ & \leq \sum_{t=T_e}^{\infty} \lambda^t K^2 (|V_i| + 2) \\ & = \frac{\lambda^{T_e} K^2 (|V_i| + 2)}{1 - \lambda} \end{aligned}$$

So we can select  $T_e = \lceil \log_\lambda \frac{\epsilon(1-\lambda)}{K^2(|V_i|+2)} \rceil$  such that when  $t > T_e$ ,  $\| \mathcal{P}_i^{(\infty)} - \mathcal{P}_i^{(t)} \|_\infty < \epsilon$ .

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