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## *Mathematical Modeling of Mutual Relationship and Countable Extension of Connected Nodes in Social Networking*

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**Abstract:** *Srivastav et al already published a paper where they have established a graph theoretical model to describe social networks. They have shown that it is possible to describe any social networks using simple nodes and edges. In the present work the authors have made further study on mathematical modeling of Social area networks in which it is shown how nodes are connected with other nodes and also explain the role of mutual relationship. The authors have correlated the 'AND' GATE LOGIC to explain the connectivity of two nodes. In this paper authors have tried to explore the method of connectivity between the nodes in different situation.*

**Keywords:** *mutual; social; gate; connectivity; nodes; edges.*

### I. INTRODUCTION

The beauty of a social networking system is to connect the nodes and enlarge (extend) the relationship between two nodes. The relationships between two nodes are either public or private as the case may be. The existence of connection between two nodes can be extended to more nodes with the members of a social network. The relationship of a single node can be spanned with another node through mutual relationship process. One of the definitions of Mutual is defined as: "of or pertaining to each of two or more; held in common; shared." So a mutual relationship would be a relationship in which the people in it have common interests/goals of the relationship. Mutual means that both people feel the same way. For example if suppose "node X wants to friend of node Y" and node Y also feels similar and says "The feeling is mutual", that means Y is friend of X. The aim of this type of connection is to prepare the relationship between maximum nodes in the optimal time, optimal cost and optimal number of edges that is required to connect.

### II. MATHEMATICAL DESCRIPTION OF CONNECTIVITY OF NODES IN SOCIAL NETWORK

#### 1. Social network<sup>[1,2]</sup>

A social network is a social structure made up of individuals (or organizations) called "nodes", which are tied (connected) by one or more specific types of interdependency, such as friendship, kinship, common interest, financial exchange, likings or disliking, or relationships of beliefs, knowledge or prestige. Social network analysis views social relationships in terms of network theory consisting of nodes and ties (also called edges, links, or connections). Nodes are the individual actors within the networks, and ties are the relationships between the actors.

Hence, mathematically, social networking can be defined as the collection of socially connected elements/objects. i.e, set

$$S = \{ \text{social elements} : \text{social elements are connected} \}$$

In a social network S, consider two nodes (i)node1 represented by  $N_1$  and(ii)node2 represented by  $N_2$  and consider a function f defined between node  $N_1$  and node  $N_2$

$$\text{i.e., } f: N_1 \rightarrow N_2$$

such that message send by node  $N_1$  is received by node  $N_2$

i.e, if  $m_1, m_2, m_3, \dots, m_n$  be the message send by the node  $N_1$  to  $N_2$ , then  $f(m_1), f(m_2), f(m_3), \dots, f(m_n)$  will be message received by  $N_2$ .

$$\text{i.e., } \{m_1, m_2, m_3, \dots, m_n\} \rightarrow \{f(m_1), f(m_2), f(m_3), \dots, f(m_n)\}$$

i.e, set of send message by node  $N_1 \rightarrow$  set of received message by node  $N_2$ .

### Definition 1<sup>[3]</sup>

A social network is modeled as a graph  $G(V, E)$ , where  $V$  represents a set of users embedded in a social context, and the edge set  $E = \{(x, y) | x, y \in V\}$  represents friendship among users. An edge  $e = (x, y)$  is added to  $E$  when a friend request from  $x$  to  $y$  or from  $y$  to  $x$  is accepted. In SNSs (social networking sites), such as Facebook and LinkedIn, edges are usually undirected. For each user  $u$  ( $u \in V$ ), the set  $F(u) = \{x | x \in V, (x, u) \in E\}$  represents the friend list of  $u$ . Note, for each edge  $e = (x, y)$ ,  $x \in F(y)$  and  $y \in F(x)$ .

The mutual friends between two users can be defined as follows:

### Definition 2<sup>[3]</sup>

Given two users  $x$  and  $y$  ( $x, y \in V$ ), we define the set of the mutual friends,  $MF(x, y)$ , between them as  $MF(x, y) = F(x) \cap F(y)$ . Here,  $MF(x, y)$  stands for mutual friendship between  $x$  and  $y$ .

Intuitively, the definition of the mutual friend has two properties:

- » Given  $x, y, z \in V$ ,  $y \in MF(x, z) \Leftrightarrow y \in F(x)$  or  $y \in F(z)$ .
- » Given  $x, z$ ,  $MF(x, z) = MF(z, x)$ ; i.e., mutual friendship is irreflexive and symmetric.

## 2.2 To understand the basic method of connectivity between two nodes of social network

Let us consider the two set of nodes  $S_1$  and  $S_2$

$$S_1 = \{n_1, n_2, n_3, n_4, n_5\} \text{ and } S_2 = \{m_1, m_2, m_3, m_4, m_5, m_6, m_7, m_8\} \text{ of a social network.}$$

Suppose, nodes  $n_1$  wants to connect with maximum number of members of  $\{m_1, m_2, m_3, m_4, m_5, m_6, m_7, m_8\}$ . So, node  $n_1$  can send friend request to any member of set  $S_2$ .

**Step 1** : Start the connectivity between nodes.

**Step 2** : Let, node  $n_1$  send first friend request to node  $m_1$ . Node  $m_1$  has option to accept the friend request or can reject the friend request.

(i) If  $m_1$  reject the connection of  $n_1$  then  $n_1$  has to option to make connection with  $\{m_2, m_3, m_4, m_5, m_6, m_7, m_8\}$  as stated in step 1.

(ii) If  $m_1$  accept friends request then there exist a connectivity (connected edge) between  $n_1$  and  $m_1$

$$n_1 \text{ --- } m_1$$

Figure: 1

**Step 3**: When a node  $n_1$  of Social network is being connected to another node  $m_1$  of social network then  $m_1$  will acts as a parent node (root node) and all other related node will acts as branch node i.e., there is some member from this set  $\{m_2, m_3, m_4, m_5, m_6, m_7, m_8\}$  will acts branch member. A parent node have either no branch node or greater than or equal to one branch node. Suppose  $m_2, m_3$  are branch nodes of nodes  $m_1$ .

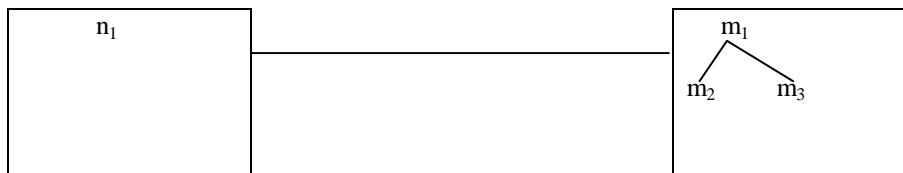


Figure: 2

**Step4:** node  $m_2$  or  $m_3$  may be publically or privately connected with nodes with nodes  $m_1$ .The only public nodes are seen by the nodes  $n_1$  and so  $n_1$  has option to make connection with the public nodes  $m_1$ .

**Step 4.1 Let, nodes  $m_2$  is public with nodes  $m_1$  :**

In this case all public related nodes of  $m_2$  will be seen by the nodes  $n_1$  and  $m_2$  will acts as root nodes. Hence  $n_1$  has an option to make connection between the publically related nodes of  $m_2$ . Here, a mutual relationship may be established between the nodes  $n_1$  and  $m_2$  if both of them like to establish the relation to each other.

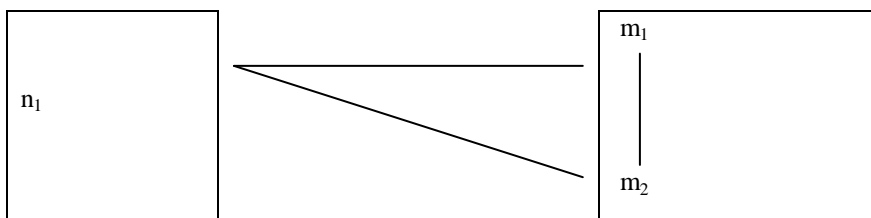


Figure : 3

Hence,  $\{n_1, m_1, m_2\}$  are mutually connected nodes in social network.

**Step 4.2 Let, nodes  $m_3$  is private with the nodes  $m_1$ :**

In this case all  $m_3$  and its related nodes of  $m_3$  will not be seen by the nodes  $n_1$ .Hence  $n_1$  can not make the relationship with  $m_3$  and its branch nodes  $m_3$ .

Hence, overall situation look like this after this step as:

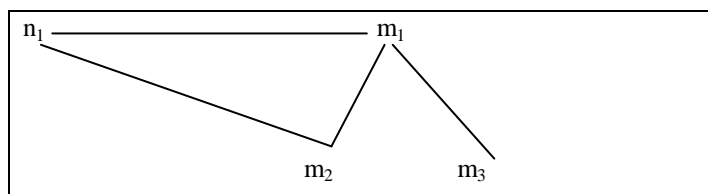


Figure:4

**Step5 :** Repeat the process of step1 to step4 as per requirement.

(i)suppose,  $\{m_4, m_5, m_6\}$  are branch nodes of  $m_2$ .i.e,

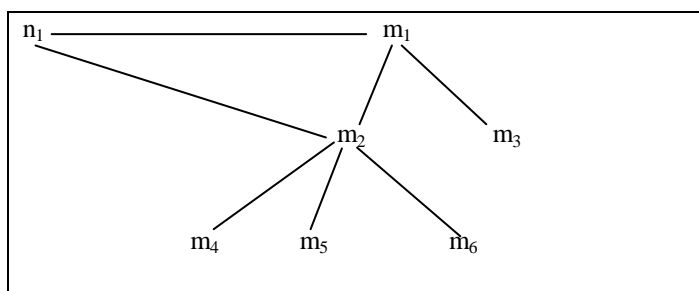


Figure:5

then it is required to check the step 4, step 4.1 and step 4.2.

(ii) suppose  $\{m_7, m_8\}$  are branch nodes of  $m_3$  then there is not an option for  $n_1$  to make connection with nodes  $\{m_6, m_7, m_8\}$  at a time being since  $m_3$  is privately related with  $m_1$

**Step 6:** Stop the process of connection after all the nodes are checked and make connection with likely (possible) nodes.

**Redundancy of relationship**

Redundancy means the state of being not or no longer needed or useful. In redundancy there is a provision or existence of more than one means or resources to perform an activity or function. Redundancy of relationship may consist of repeated number of nodes, edges etc. When one set of nodes want to make connection or relation with another set of node in the social networking there may be chances of repeated nodes and edges because social networking follows the rules of mutual relationship.

**III. AND GATE AND ITS CO-RELATION WITH ‘RELATIONSHIP OF NODES’ IN SOCIAL NETWORK**

The relationship for the connectivity between the two follows the same theory of AND gate of Logic gate

**(i) AND gate**

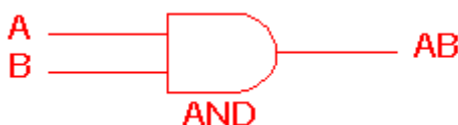


Figure:6

2 Input AND gate		
A	B	A.B
0	0	0
0	1	0
1	0	0
1	1	1

Figure:7

The AND gate is an electronic circuit that gives a **high** output (1) only if **all** its inputs are high. A dot (.) is used to show the AND operation i.e. A.B. Bear in mind that this dot is sometimes omitted i.e. AB

**(ii) Social network relationship with respect to nodes in sense of logic AND gate**

Suppose two nodes want to make connection between two nodes then the following cases may be occur:

Connectivity between two nodes		
Node N <sub>1</sub>	Node N <sub>2</sub>	Result/Remark
Node N <sub>1</sub> do not like to make connection with N <sub>2</sub>	Node N <sub>2</sub> do not like to make connection with N <sub>1</sub>	There does not exist connection between the two nodes N <sub>1</sub> and N <sub>2</sub>
Node N <sub>1</sub> do not like to make connection with node N <sub>2</sub>	Node N <sub>2</sub> like to make connection with node N <sub>1</sub>	There does not exist connection between the two nodes N <sub>1</sub> and N <sub>2</sub>
Node N <sub>1</sub> like to make connection with node N <sub>2</sub>	Node N <sub>2</sub> do not like to make connection with node N <sub>1</sub>	There does not exist connection between the two nodes N <sub>1</sub> and N <sub>2</sub>
Node N <sub>1</sub> like to make connection with node N <sub>2</sub>	Node N <sub>2</sub> like to make connection with node N <sub>1</sub>	Exist connection between the two nodes N <sub>1</sub> and N <sub>2</sub>

Table:1

(iii) To understand connection between node  $N_1$ , node  $N_2$ , branch node  $N_3$  of  $N_2$

When a node  $N_1$  of Social network is being connected to another node  $N_2$  of social network then  $N_2$  will acts as a parent node (root node) and all other related node will acts as branch node. Here  $N_3$  is working as branch node.

Node $N_1$	Node $N_2$ (Note: Node $N_2$ is taken as root node of social network $S_2$ )	Relationship between node $N_1$ and $N_2$	Node $N_3$ (Note: Node $N_3$ is taken as branch node of node $N_2$ )	Relationship between node $N_1$ and $N_3$		
Node $N_1$ do not like to make connection with node $N_2$	Node $N_2$ do not like to make connection with node $N_1$	There does not exist connection between the two nodes $N_1$ and $N_2$	Since root node $N_2$ do not like to make connection with node $N_1$ . So, at the time being node $N_3$ can not make the connection with $N_1$ via. the path of node $N_2$ .	There does not exist connection between the two nodes $N_1$ and $N_3$ .		
Node $N_1$ do not like to make connection with node $N_2$	Node $N_2$ like to make connection with node $N_1$	There does not exist connection between the two nodes $N_1$ and $N_2$	Since root node $N_1$ do not like to make connection with node $N_2$ . So, at the time being node $N_3$ cannot make the connection with $N_1$ via. the path of $N_2$	There does not exist connection between the two nodes $N_1$ and $N_3$		
Node $N_1$ like to make connection with node $N_2$	Node $N_1$ do not like to make connection with $N_1$	There does not exist connection between the two nodes	Since root node $N_2$ do not like to make connection with node $N_1$ . So, at the time being $N_3$ cannot make the connection with $N_1$ via. The path of node $N_2$ .	There does not exist connection between the two nodes $N_1$ and $N_3$		
Node $N_1$ like to make connection with node $N_2$	Node $N_2$ like to make connection with $N_1$	Exist connection between the two nodes	Node $N_3$ can be either public or private with Node $N_1$ .	There does not exist connection between the two nodes $N_1$ and $N_3$		
			<b>CASE1: WHEN NODE <math>N_3</math> IS PUBLIC WITH NODE <math>N_2</math></b>			
			Node $N_1$		Node $N_3$	
			Node $N_1$ do not like to make connection with $N_3$		Node $N_3$ do not like to make connection with $N_1$	
			Node $N_1$ do not like to make connection with $N_3$		Node $N_3$ like to make connection with $N_1$	There does not exist connection between the two nodes $N_1$ and $N_3$
			Node $N_1$ like to make connection with node $N_3$		Node $N_3$ do not like to make connection with $N_1$	There does not exist connection between the two nodes $N_1$ and $N_3$
			Node $N_1$ like to make connection with $N_3$		Node $N_3$ like to make connection with $N_1$	There does not exist connection between the two nodes $N_1$ and $N_3$
			<b>CASE2: WHEN NODE <math>N_3</math> IS PRIVATE WITH NODE <math>N_2</math>.</b>	There does not exist connection between the two nodes $N_1$ and $N_3$ at the time being.		

Table:2

## IV. COUNTABLE NODES IN SOCIAL NETWORKING

**Definition:(Countable Set)**

A set  $A$  is said to be finite, if  $A$  is empty or there is  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , set of Natural Number, and there is a bijection  $f : \{1, \dots, n\} \rightarrow A$ . Otherwise the set  $A$  is called infinite. Two sets  $A$  and  $B$  are called equinumerous, written  $A \sim B$ , if there is a bijection  $f : X \rightarrow Y$ . A set  $A$  is called countably infinite if  $A \sim \mathbb{N}$ . We say that  $A$  is countable if  $A \sim \mathbb{N}$  or  $A$  is finite.

In general, the unknown nodes in the social network are connected by searching the name, place or using different characteristics of nodes. In this method it is helpful for a node to extend its connectivity with more nodes by using mutual friendship relation. The number of connected nodes and number of connected edge are making one to one correspondence with set of Natural number. Hence, number of connected nodes and number of connected edge are either finite or countable infinite.

## V. CONCLUSION AND FUTURE SCOPE

This method is also helpful for the mathematical problem to prepare optimal path to make the relation/connection between two or more nodes in optimal time and optimal cost. There is an scope to reduce the redundancy of relationship in social networking.

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