Lecture 12: Graphs/Trees Information Visualization CPSC 533C, Fall 2009

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Proposal Writeup Expectations

- project title (not just "533 Proposal")
- names of all people on team
- description of the domain, task, and dataset
- personal expertise/background in area
- proposed infovis solution
- scenario of use
- mockup/illustration of proposed interface
- implementation ideas
- milestones and timeline
- previous work

 $http://www.cs.ubc.ca/{\sim}tmm/courses/533/projectdesc.html$

Readings Covered

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IPSep-CoLa: An Incremental Procedure for Separation Constraint Layout of Graphs. Tim Dwyer, Kim Marriott, and Yehuda Koren. Proc. InfoVis 2006, published as IEEE TVCG 12(5), Sep 2006, p 821-828. http://www.research.att.com/~yehuda/pubs/dwyer.pdf

Further Readings

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Animated Exploration of Graphs with Radial Layout. Ka-Ping Yee, Danyel Fisher, Rachna Dhamija, and Marti Hearst, Proc InfoVis 2001. http://bailando.sims.berkeley.edu/papers/infovis01.htm

Interactive Information Visualization of a Million Items Jean-Daniel Fekete and Catherine Plaisant, Proc InfoVis 2002. [http://www.cs.umd.edu/local-cgi-bin/hcil/rr.pl?number=2002-01]

Cushion Treemaps. Jack J. van Wijk and Huub van de Wetering, Proc InfoVis 1999, pp 73-78. http://www.win.tue.nl/~vanwijk/ctm.pdf

Hermann survey

true survey, won't try to summarize here

- nice abstraction work by authors
 - Strahler skeletonization
 - ghosting, hiding, grouping





Dynamic Graph Layout

static radial layouts: known algorithm

- dynamic: recent progress
 - minimize visual changes
 - stay true to current dataset structure
- video
 - Online Dynamic Graph Drawing: Frishman and Tal, EuroVis 2007

Animated Radial Layouts

video



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Animation

polar interpolation

maintain neighbor order (note prefuse bug!)



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Treemaps

containment not connection

emphasize node attributes, not topological structure

E1

F2

СЗ



Node and	link	diagram
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Treemap

J1

L1 M1

H4

N1 01

K1



Cushion Treemaps

show structure with shading

scale parameter controls global vs. local



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Scaling Up Treemaps: MillionVis

shading not outline to visually distinguish with less pixelsmore GPU tricks, animation for transitions



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HiVE

treemaps as spacefilling rectangular layouts

- each rectangle is conditioned subset of data
- nested graphical summaries
 - size, shape, color used to show subset properties
 - ordered by conditioning variable

dimensional stacking:

discretization and recursive embedding of dimensions

video



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HiVE Guidelines

- reconfigure conditioning hierarchies to explore data space
- use appropriate layouts to reveal structure in data
- preserve salient 1D or 2D ordering
- fix rectangle size at hier levels for consistent small-multiple layouts
- scale color to data-ranges to different parts of hierarchy to explore global and local patterns
- condition datasets by attribs of diff granularities at adjacent hier levels
- condition by diff aggregations of time and space
 - effect of modifiable units on visual patterns
- reaggregate spatial data to equally-sized grid cells and fix rectangle size
- use dynamic techniques to relate these states

Critique

Critique

- very thoughtful analysis!
- prescriptive guidelines
- references backing up arguments

Small-World Networks

high clustering, small path length

- vs. random uniform distribution
- examples
 - social networks
 - movie actors
 - Web
 - software reverse engineering
- multiscale small-world networks
 - exploit these properties for better layout

Strength Metric

strength: contribution to neighborhood cohesion

- calculate for each edge based on
 - edge's POV partition of graph: one, other, both



Strength via Cycles

■ 3-cycles through (u,v) + 4-cycles through (u,v)



- 3-cycles through u/v
- blue + 2 red edges == yellow nodes in both



3-cycles through u/v

- blue + 2 red edges == yellow nodes in both
- all other 3-cycles don't contain blue u/v edge
 - magenta edges impossible
 - black, red/green, red/black, etc





4-cycles through u/v

- $\blacksquare \ \mathsf{blue} + 2 \ \mathsf{red} + 1 \ \mathsf{green}$
- $\blacksquare \ \mathsf{blue} + 2 \ \mathsf{red} + 1 \ \mathsf{cyan}$
- s(A, B) = existing edges between sets all possible edges between sets



Strength

4-cycles [green edges]

- one-both, other-both, one-other
- s(M(u),W(u,v))+s(M(v),W(u,v))+s(M(u),M(v))
- 4-cycles [cyan edges]
 - both-both
 - s(W(u,v))

3-cycles [yellow nodes in both]

|W(u,v)|/(|M(u)|+|M(v)|+|W(u,v)|)



Hierarchical Decomposition

- remove low-strength edges
- maximal disconnected subgraphs
- quotient graph: subgraph = higher-level node



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Nested Quotient Graphs



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Clustering Quality Metric

automatically determine how many clusters



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Critique

pros

- exploit structure of data
- hierarchical structure shown visually
- automatically determine number of clusters
- nifty math
- cons
 - information density could be better
 - what if mental model doesn't match clustering metric?

Topological Fisheye Views

- input is laid-out graph
- preprocess: construct multilevel hierarchy by coarsening graphs
- user interactively controls focus point
- show hybrids made from several levels



Topological Fisheye Views



Coarsening Strategy

must preserve graph-theoretic properties

- topological distance (hops away), cycles
- cannot just use geometric proximity alone
- cannot just contract nodes/edges
- exploit geometric information with proximity graph



Coarsening Requirements

- uniform cluster/metanode size
- match coarse and fine layout geometries
- scalable



Hybrid Graph

find active nodes



Distort For Uniform Density



(b) default layout of hybrid graph (c) distorted layout of hybrid graph

Critique

- topologically sophisticated, not just geometric distortion
- rigorous approach

IPSep-Cola

using Dwyer's own talk slides for the useful animations