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# Hierarchical Classification F Directed Graph Nodes and Application to Protein networks



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#### Abstract

Algorithm of hierarchical classification for nodes of directed graph is constructed and is applied to sub network of secondary metabolism in Arabidopsis protein network

#### Main Algorithm

In [1,2] an algorithm of directed graph nodes dividing into cyclically equivalent classes (clusters) is constructed. A cyclical equivalence of two nodes is an existence of a cycle containing these nodes in the directed graph. A partial order on a set of all clusters is defined and a sequential algorithm of zero-one matrix characterizing this partial order is suggested. However, this algorithm does not allow to analyze detailed a structure of single cluster which may be sufficiently complicated. Such analysis is important in some problems of the bioengineering. For example in the Arabidopsis protein network sub networks of secondary metabolism, light, hormonal, and signal sub networks are defined in [3]. Another approach is a hierarchical classification of undirected weighed graph  ${\it G}$ .

This approach [4] is based on a choice of some critical value aand on a transformation of the weighed graph G into unweighed graph  $G_a$  using a following rule. If a weight of some edge  $s \in G$ is smaller than critical value a then the edge s remains in the graph  $G_a$  else it does not remain in  $G_a$ . After this transformation, it is possible to find connectivity components of the un weighed and undirected graph  $G_a$ . These components create clusters in the nodes set of the graph G To find connectivity components in the graph  $G_a$  it is convenient to use following algorithm. Assume that at step 1 we have information about node 1. Then at this step there is single cluster {1} Suppose that at step t we have clusters  $K_1,...,K_n$  and there are edges which connect directly new node (t+1) with some nodes in clusters  $K_1,...,K_a$ ,  $0 \le q_t \le p_t$  (if  $q_t=0$ then node (t+1) is not connected directly with nodes of clusters  $K_1,...,K_n$ ). As a result at step t+1 we obtain new set of clusters:  $\{K_1 \bigcup K_2 \bigcup ... \bigcup K_{q_i} \bigcup (t+1)\}, \quad , \quad K_{q_i+1}, K_{q_i+2}, ..., K_{p_i}.$ 

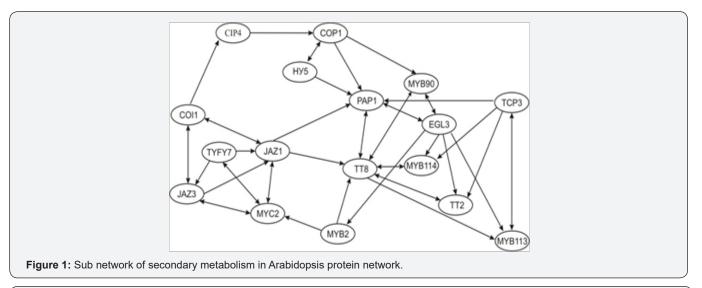
Successfully decreasing critical value, a we divide earlier obtained clusters into sub clusters and so on. This algorithm allows constructing the classification of undirected weighed graph  $\,G\,$  nodes. In this paper, an algorithm of the hierarchical classification of nodes in the cluster G is based on a concept of cycles with minimal length. Each pair of nodes in the graph is connected by some cycle. So it is possible to define minimal length of cycles connected this pair of nodes. Minimal length of cycle connecting nodes 1,2 equals a sum of minimal path length from node 1to node 2and minimal path length from node 2 to node1. Well-known Deikstra or Floid algorithms [5] may calculate minimal path lengths. As a result, directed graph G is transformed into complete undirected and weighed graph. Then it is possible to apply procedure of its nodes hierarchical classification. This algorithm allows constructing the classification of undirected weighed graph S nodes. This algorithm was applied to make a hierarchical classification of plants depending on a presence or on an absence of some organic matters in them [6].

#### **Numerical Experiment and Its Interpretation**

Consider the sub network of secondary metabolism in the protein Arabidopsis network [3] (Figure 1). Direct test shows that this sub network is a directed graph with cyclically equivalent nodes. Using suggested algorithm calculate constants defining hierarchical classification on steps 1, 2, 3:  $a^1 = 4$ ,  $a^2 = 6$ ,  $a^3 = 8$ . On the step 3, this procedure ends. In Figure 2, we may see how considered sub network of the secondary metabolism is divided into classes of circles mainly with the length four. It is worthy to say that the proteins JAZ1 is an inhibitor and the protein TT8

is an activator, which effects on the proteins MYB113, MYB114 that make the secondary metabolism products. Therefore, the inhibitor JAZ1 decelerates a work of the activator TT8 and

consequently decreases an amount of the secondary metabolism products.



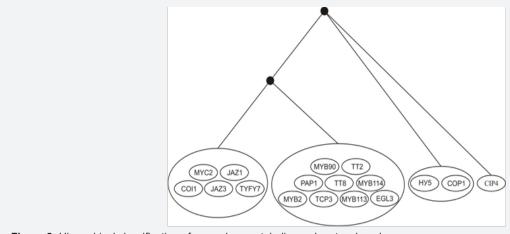
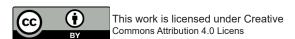


Figure 2: Hierarchical classification of secondary metabolism sub network nodes.

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