Homework Assignment Four

Complex Networks College of the Atlantic Fall 2008

Due Friday November 21, 2008.

Note: If you consult any books or web pages as you do these problems, that's fine, but please cite your sources.

- 1. **Modularity.** Consider the network shown in the Figure.
 - (a) Write down the Google Matrix G. Be sure to briefly explain the definition of G.
 - (b) Optional: Determine the page rank importance scores for all nodes. To do so you'll need to write a simple program or use Maple.

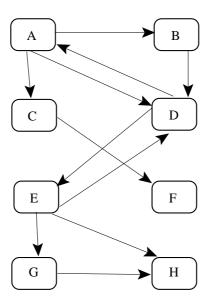


Figure 1: A simplified version of the www.

- 2. It is week ten and you are delirious and staggering around in your room. Imagine that you move from position to position shown on Fig. 2. If you are at location B or C, you move left or right with equal probability. However, if you are at position A you move right half of the time, and the other half of the time you bang your head against the wall and stay at location A. A similar story holds for position D.
 - (a) Write down the transitions among the lettered locations. Express this as a network and as a matrix.
 - (b) Optional: If you stagger around your room for a very long time, what fraction of the time will you spend at each of the locations? Does it matter where you start?

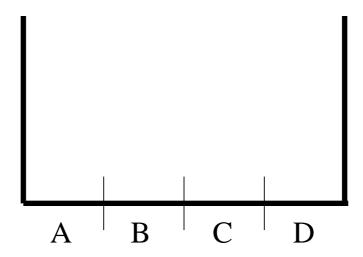


Figure 2: A simplified version of a room in which you wander and hit your head against the wall.