15-415 Database Applications Recitation 8

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Project 2

- CMUQFlix!
- A Movie Recommendation System

Project 2 Objectives

- Set up a front-end website with PostgreSQL as the back-end
- Allow users to **login**, "**like**" movies, and get **personalized movies recommendations**

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Cookies

- **Small (text) files** stored on your computer
- They help remember **information about a user** (keeping a **session** active)

Cookies: How do they Work?

- When a web browser **requests a page from the server**, the "**cookies**" for that page **are sent as part of the request**

- On the server (*your JAVA code*!), you will look for cookies in the request.

Cookies: Case 1

- You will be **creating a cookie** when a user **logs in**:

```
doGet (HttpServletRequest request, HttpServletResponse response) {
…
        String username = request.getParameter("username");;
        Cookie unameCookie = new Cookie("username", username);
        unameCookie.setMaxAge(3600); /* one hour in s */
        response.addCookie(unameCookie);
…
}
```

- This stores the cookie on your computer

Cookies: Case 2

- You will be **checking for a cookie** when a user **accesses some page** (e.g. index.html):

```
doGet (HttpServletRequest request, HttpServletResponse response) {
…
            Cookie unameCookie = null;
            Cookie allCookies[] = request.getCookies();
            if (allCookies != null)
                 for (Cookie c : allCookies)
                       if(c.getName().equals("username"))
                            unameCookie = c; // username = c.getValue();
            if (unameCookie != null) { \\ show index.html content }
            else { \\ show login.html or some login/register form}
…
}
```

Cookies: Case 3

- You will be **removing a cookie** when a user **logs out**:

```
doGet (HttpServletRequest request, HttpServletResponse response) {
…
        Cookie unameCookie = null;
        unameCookie = new Cookie("username", null)
        unameCookie.setMaxAge(   );
        reponse.addCookie(unameCookie);
…
}
```

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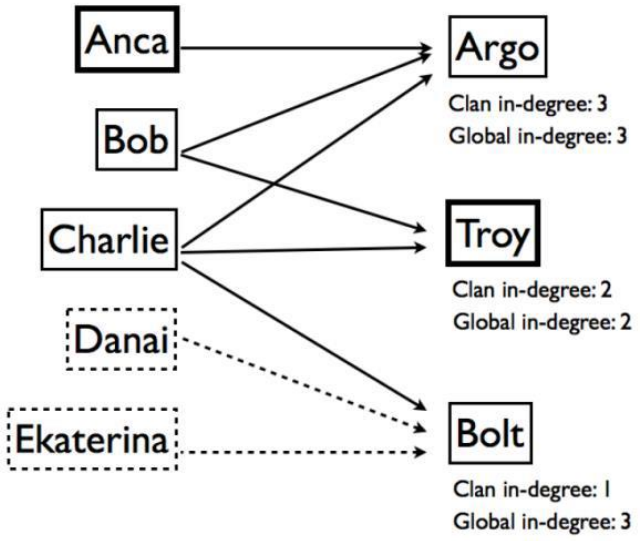
- Recommendation system in Project 2

Recommendation System: Case 1

- If a user *u* has **not yet** "liked" any movies:
  - Display the top 5 "liked" movies in the database

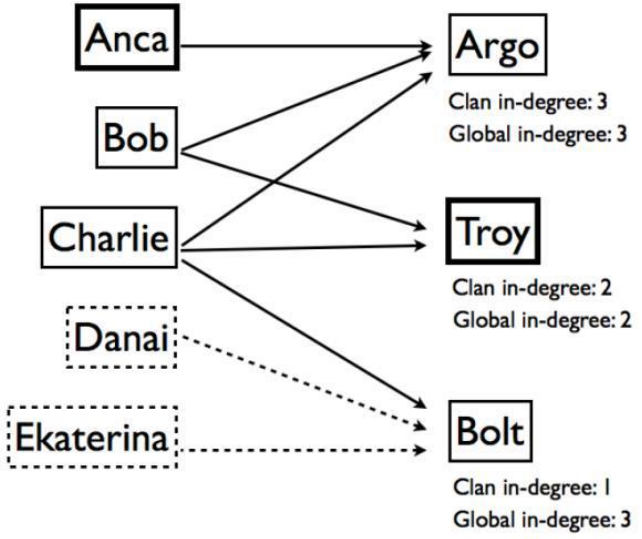
Recommendation System: Case 2

- If a user *u* has "liked" **at least one** movie:
  1. Find out what is the user *u*'s "**movie clan**" is
     - The user's **movie clan** is the ***group of all users of have liked at least one movie u is liked***
     - In the figure, *Anca's* **movie clan** would be:
       - *Bob*
       - *Charlie*



Recommendation System: Case 2

- If a user *u* has "liked" **at least one** movie:
  2. Retrieve all the movies that have been liked by user *u*'s movie clan:
     - In the figure, for *Anca*, these movies are:
       - *Argo*
       - *Troy*
       - *Bolt*



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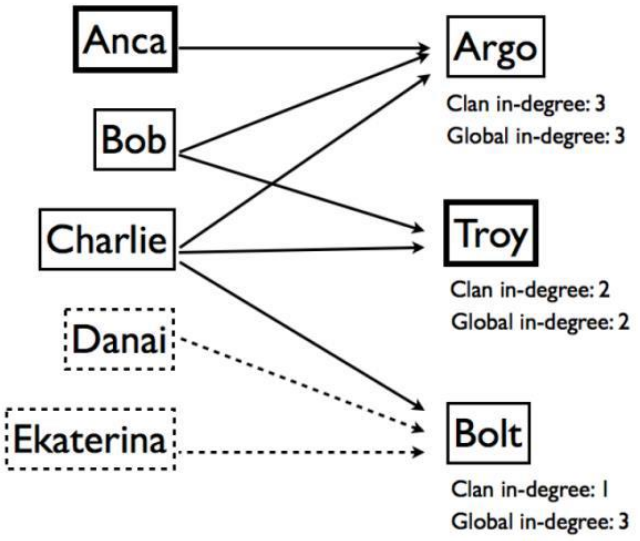
     - In the figure, for *Anca*, these movies are:
       - *Argo* (***clan in-degree = 3***)
       - *Troy* (***clan in-degree = 2***)
       - *Bolt* (***clan in-degree = 1***)



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     - In the figure, for *Anca*, these movies are:

Anca has already liked this movie!

- ~~*Argo (**clan in-degree = 3**)*~~
- *Troy (**clan in-degree = 2**)*
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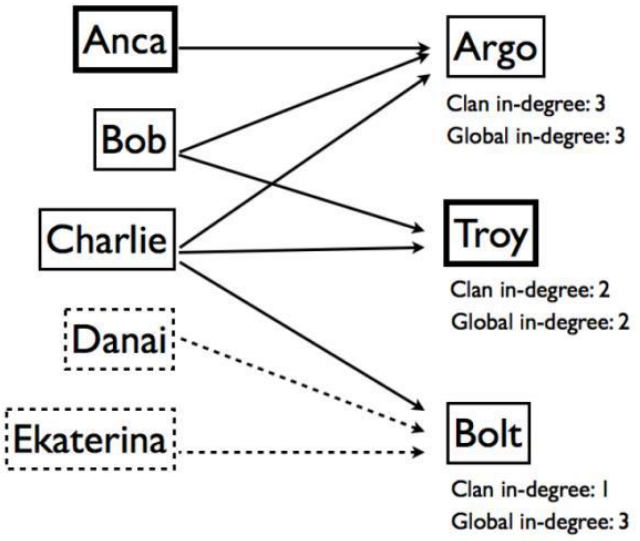

Recommendation System: Case 2

- If a user *u* has "liked" **at least one** movie:
  2. Retrieve all the movies that have been liked by user *u*'s movie clan:
     - The final list of recommendations for Anca:
       - *Troy (clan in-degree = 2)*
       - *Bolt (clan in-degree = 1)*
     - *Top 5 with the largest clan in-degree*