## Social Network Analysis

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## Content

- Introduction to Core Social Network Concepts
- Overview of the field and the tools
- Mathematical foundations
- SNA Data \& Survey Design
- Centrality
- Social Capital
- Cohesion
- Subgroups
- Equivalence (Role \& Position)
- Hypotheses testing
- Introduction to network analysis in UCINET


## History



Previous instructors: Steve Borgatti (Kentucky) \& Rich DeJordy (Fresno State)

## Structure

- Monday : Introduction, Fundamentals \& Software
- Algebra
- Graph theory
- Network data
- Intro to UCINET
- Tuesday : Centrality, Centralization, Cohesion
- Wednesday : Local Neighbourhood \& Ego-networks
- Thursday : Communities \& subgroups
- Friday : Testing Hypotheses, Stochastic Models \& Optional Topic


## Objectives

- Build intuition
- Expose key concepts
- Highlight big questions
- provide abstract examples
- Some pointers to other studies
- NOT a substitute for technical work


## Introduction

- Name
- Affiliation
- Discipline
- SNA Experience/Knowledge
- Phenomena of interest


## What Defines SNA?

- Phenomenon studied
- distinctive type of data
- Perspective taken
- Perhaps one perspective, but multiple theories
- Methodological toolkit
- new concepts, new tools


## Reasoning about Networks

-What can achieve from studying networks?

- Patterns and statistical properties of network data;
- Design principles and models;
- Understand the organisation of networks;
- How can we reason about networks?
- Empirical : study data; measure and quantify;
- Mathematical Models: graph theory \& stats, distinguish surprising from expected phenomena
- Algorithms : for hard computational challenges


## how mathematicians reason about networks

- Mathematicians are concerned with the abstract structure of a graph
- Mathematicians define operations to analyze and manipulate graphs. Moreover, they develop theorems based upon structural axioms.



## how physicists reason about networks

- Physicists are concerned with modeling real-world structures with networks.
- Physicists define algorithms that compress the information in a network to more simple values (e.g. statistical analysis).



## what are networks?

- an approach
- a mathematical representation
- provide structure to complexity
- structure above individuals / components
- structure below
system / population


## system / population



## History of SNA

- 1736- Euler
- 1930s- Sociometry
- 1940s Psychologists
- 1950s \& 60s Anthropologists
- 1970s Rise of Sociologists
- Small Worlds, Strength of weak ties
- 1980s IBM computation
- Computer programs developed
- 1990s Ideas spread
- UCINET released, spread of network analyis to multiple fields, social capital, embedded ties
- 2000s Physicists jump on the bandwagon


## Graph Theory Beginnings: Leonard Euler



- Swiss mathematician and logician (1707-1783)
- Network analysis begins with solution to the "Bridges of Königsberg" question in 1735


## The Seven Bridges of Königsberg



## Big Question: Can one walk across all seven bridges and never cross the same one twice?

Definition: an Euler path walks through a graph without revisiting edges; an Euler circuit is an Euler path that starts and stops at the same vertex.

Euler theorem: if a graph has an Euler circuit, then every vertex has even degree.


What is a network?

## Network

- Set of nodes
- Set of ties among them
- Ties interlink through common nodes
- Resulting in paths
- In social network analysis, ties typically represent a social relation
- E.g., kinship, family



## Adjacency matrix

- Can represent a network as a node-by-node matrix
- Typically $1 s$ and $0 s$, could be strengths of tie


|  | a | b | c | d | e | f |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| a |  | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| b | 1 |  | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| c | 0 | 1 |  | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| d | 0 | 1 | 1 |  | 1 | 0 |
| e | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 |  | 1 |
| f | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 |  |

## Marriage ties between families



Padgett \& Ansell (1991). Marriage ties among Florentine families during the Renaissance

## Business ties between families



## Dyadic variables

- A given type of relation, such as marriage, can be seen as a dyadic variable that describes the relationship between every pair of nodes
- A dyadic variable assigns a value to each pair of nodes

| Dyad | Married | Business |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| ACCIAIUOLI-GUADAGNI | 0 | 0 |
| GUADAGNI-STROZZI | 0 | 0 |
| PUCCI-STROZZI | 0 | 0 |
| BISCHERI-SALVIATI | 0 | 0 |
| ACCIAIUOLI-GINORI | 0 | 0 |
| GUADAGNI-RIDOLFI | 0 | 0 |
| MEDICI-TORNABUONI | 1 | 1 |
| CASTELLANI-SALVIATI | 0 | 0 |
| BARBADORI-GUADAGNI | 0 | 0 |
| CASTELLANI-LAMBERTESCHI | 0 | 1 |
| ACCIAIUOLI-ALBIZZI | 0 | 0 |
| GUADAGNI-PUCCI | 0 | 0 |
| LAMBERTESCHI-STROZZI | 0 | 0 |
| MEDICI-PUCCI | 0 | 0 |

Acquaintance network


## Is this a network?



Diagram courtesy of Valdis Krebs www.orgnet.com

Internet Marketing Cluster

## Comparing airlines' route structures

Major Carrier


Note:
Route maps defined around one specific hub only
Source: Industry data, BCG analysis
"Discount" Airline



## Entailed interactions

- Friendship carries with it certain norms about how the friends will behave toward each other
- Rights and obligations
- Expectations
- Kinship ties have these too
- Professor / student
- So this means that a given "base relation" entails a variety of interactions
- And base relations also have a variety of different functions, e.g., material aid, emotional support, advice, etc.


## Multiplexity

- A given dyad (pair of persons) can be connected by more than one kind of base relation at the same time
- E.g., both kin and co-worker
- I wouldn't classify being friends and talking often as multiplex
- Because the base relation entails the talking

Multiplex
relationship

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| GUADAGNI-RIDOLFI | 0 | 0 |
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| CASTELLANI-SALVIATI | 0 | 0 |
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| LAMBERTESCHI-STROZZI | 0 | 0 |
| MEDICI-PUCCI | 0 | 0 |

## Directed and undirected


undirected

directed

The 3 people you interacted with the most over the last week


## Organization chart

Who reports to whom

- Drawn without arrows, but is a directed relation


Krackhardt, D. 1992 "The Strength of Strong Ties: The Importance of Philos in Organizations." In N. Nohria \& R. Eccles (eds.), Networks and Organizations: Structure, Form, and Action: 216-239. Boston, MA: Harvard Business School Press.

## 2-mode data: who attended what event

| Nates or Partuctinats of Group I |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 6/27 | (2) | (3) 4 | (4)3 | $2(x) 25$ | (6) | (7) | ${ }_{9 / 16}{ }^{\text {(8) }}$ | 4/8) | 6/10 | (11) | (12) |  | (14) |
| 1. Mrs. Evelyn Jefferson. | X | X | x | X | $\times$ | $\times$ |  | $\times$ | X |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2. Miss Laura Mandeville. | $\times$ | $\times$ | $\times$ |  | $\times$ | $\times$ | $\times$ | $\times$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 3. Miss Theresa Anderson. |  | $\times$ | $\times$ | $\times$ | $\times$ | $\times$ | $\times$ | $\times$ | $\times$ |  |  |  |  |  |
| 4. Miss Brenda Rogers.. | $\times$ |  | $\times$ | $\times$ | $\times$ | $\times$ | $\times$ | $\times$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 5. Miss Charlotte McDowd. |  |  | $\times$ | $\times$ | $\times$ |  | $\times$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 6. Miss Frances Anderson. |  |  | X | ... | $\times$ | $\times$ |  | $\times$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 7. Miss Eleanor Nye.... |  |  |  |  | $\times$ | $\times$ | $\times$ | $\times$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 8. Miss Peard Oglethorpe. |  |  |  |  |  | $\times$ |  | $\times$ | $\times$ |  |  |  |  |  |
| 9. Miss Ruth DeSand. |  |  |  |  | $\times$ |  | $\times$ | $\times$ | $\times$ |  |  |  |  |  |
| 10. Miss Verne Sanderson. |  |  |  |  |  |  | $\times$ | $\times$ | $\times$ |  |  | $\times$ |  |  |
| 11. Miss Myra Liddell. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | $\times$ | $\times$ | $\times$ |  | $\times$ |  |  |
| 12. 2 aiss Katherine Rogers. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | $\times$ | $\times$ | $\times$ |  | $\times$ | $\times$ | $\times$ |
| 13. Mrs. Sylvia Avondale. . |  |  |  |  |  |  | $\times$ | $\times$ | $\times$ | $\times$ |  | $x$ |  |  |
| 14. Mr3. Nora Fayette. |  |  |  |  |  | $\times$ | $\times$ | $\ldots$ | $\times$ | $\times$ | $\times$ | $\times$ |  | $\times$ |
| 15. Mrs. Helen Lloyd. . |  |  |  |  |  |  | $\times$ | $\times$ |  | $\times$ | $\times$ | $\times$ |  |  |
| 16. Mrs. Dorothy Murchison. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | $\times$ | $\times$ |  |  |  |  |  |
| 17. Mrs. Olivia Carleton.. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 18. Mrs. Flora Price. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | X |  | $\times$ |  |  |  |

Figure 1. Davis, Gardner and Gardner (1941) Deep South women-by-events matrix.

## Co-participation data



## Valued adjacency matrix

|  | EVE | LAU | THE | BRE | CHA | FRA | ELE | PEA | RUT | VER | MYR | KAT | SYL | NOR | HEL | DOR | OLI | FLO |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| EVELYN | 8 | 6 | 7 | 6 | 3 | 4 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 1 |
| LAURA | 6 | 7 | 6 | 6 | 3 | 4 | 4 | 2 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| THERESA | 7 | 6 | 8 | 6 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 3 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 2 | 3 | 3 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 1 |
| BRENDA | 6 | 6 | 6 | 7 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 2 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| CHARLOTTE | 3 | 3 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| FRANCES | 4 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 2 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| ELEANOR | 3 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 2 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| PEARL | 3 | 2 | 3 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 2 | 3 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 1 |
| RUTH | 3 | 3 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 2 | 3 | 2 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 2 | 3 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 1 |
| VERNE | 2 | 2 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 3 | 3 | 4 | 3 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 1 |
| MYRNA | 2 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 3 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 1 |
| KATHERINE | 2 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 6 | 6 | 5 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 1 |
| SYLVIA | 2 | 2 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 4 | 6 | 7 | 6 | 4 | 2 | 1 | 1 |
| NORA | 2 | 2 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 3 | 3 | 5 | 6 | 8 | 4 | 1 | 2 | 2 |
| HELEN | 1 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 4 | 4 | 5 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| DOROTHY | 2 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 1 |
| OLIVIA | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 2 |
| FLORA | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 2 |

1-mode co-attendance matrix

## Co-participation in events



## Project collaboration network



## Bank Wiring Room

- Hawthorne Studies
- Western Electric Plant
- 1920s \& 1930s

Roethlisberger, FJ, and WJ Dickson. 1939.
Management and the Worker (Cambridge: Harvard University Press.


Diagram of Observation Room Showing Wiremen's Positions (A \& B)

Game Playing Relations

Roethlisberger, FJ, and WJ Dickson. 1939.
Management and the Worker. Harvard University Press.


Networks: why do we care?

## Networks are everywhere

## So maybe we should try to understand them?

- A molecule is a network of atoms

- A brain is a network of neurons
- A body contains many networks, including the circulatory system
- Genes form regulatory networks that turn other genes on and off
- Firms are networks of individuals, passing along information, orders and coordinating efforts
- Buildings contain many networks, including heating/cooling, plumbing, electrical
- Economies are networks of firms and other agents buying and selling
- Societies are networks
- Countries contain many networks, e.g., transportation systems, phone systems
- The internet is a network
- Ecosystems are networks of species eating each other, creating environments for each other, etc.


## But ...

- Networks are also a lens
- We see networks everywhere because we like to think that way
- A network is created any time a researcher says
- I'm interested in this set of people,
- And, I define a tie as .... [having the same color hair] [having met before] [etc]
- Don't want to over-reify networks
- And yet ...

Network mechanisms

## Consider the case of AIDS

- 1981 CDC aware of increasing number of cases of opportunistic illnesses like Kaposi's sarcoma
- Virtually all cases were gay men
- Syndrome initially named Gay-Related Immune Deficiency (GRID)
- Logistic regression of opportunistic illness on being gay
- Proposed mechanism
- Stigmatized identity causes stress, leading to weakened immune system

| Subject <br> ID | Age | Gay | Rare <br> Cancer |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 | 33 | 0 | 0 |
| 2 | 27 | 0 | 0 |
| 3 | 89 | 1 | 1 |
| 4 | 34 | 0 | 0 |
| 5 | 56 | 1 | 0 |
| 6 | 23 | 0 | 0 |
| 7 | 54 | 0 | 0 |
| 8 | 12 | 1 | 1 |
| 9 | 45 | 0 | 0 |
| 10 | 67 | 0 | 0 |
| 11 | 43 | 1 | 1 |
| 12 | 21 | 1 | 0 |

## Contagion | diffusion | influence mechanisms



| Subject <br> ID | Age | Gay | Rare <br> Cancer |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 | 33 | 0 | 0 |
| 2 | 27 | 0 | 0 |
| 3 | 89 | 0 | 0 |
| 4 | 34 | 0 | 0 |
| 5 | 56 | 1 | 0 |
| 6 | 23 | 0 | 0 |
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| 8 | 12 | 1 | 1 |
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## Network structure provides backcloth that enables and constrains flows



## Network models of style

- Why do people ...?
- Wear the clothes they do
- Speak the way they do
- Believe the things they do
- Do things the way they do
- Etc.

- Partly individual reasons (maximize utility function), but partly contagion/influence from people they know
- Contagion, diffusion, adoption of innovation, common fate



## Modeling achievement

- Why some individuals/organizations are more successful than others
- Standard answer is human capital
- Motivation, education, intelligence, etc
- Network answer is social capital
- Position in the network
- Bridging/Brokering positions
- Access to non-redundant info
- Freedom of action
- Combine knowledge from one group to that of another



## What are the consequences of networks?

## Diffusion \& influence

- Networks provide a system of pipes through which things can flow
- Information
- Goods
- Money
- Infections
- Interpersonal influence processes
- I adopt vaping, you adopt vaping, your other friend adopts...
- Eating patterns - e.g., so-called obesity contagion


## Coordination \& access to resources

- Like common culture, social networks bind people together so they can accomplish more than individuals working alone
- Can literally link arms
- More figuratively can agree/ally with each other, vote together
- Dependencies, kinship ties lead to help
- Ties bind people together to create superordinate entities, like bureaucracies
- Entrepreneur can use friends'
- Money
- Computer expertise
- Time
- Access to city council


## Network theory provides explanations for ...

- Style
- Why people have the particular beliefs, behaviors, and belongings they do
- Generic research question: explain hetero/homogeneity
- Generic network explanation: contagion, diffusion, interpersonal influence processes
- Contagion of obesity, happiness, etc
- Diffusion of innovations
- Spread of disease
- Fads and fashion
- Social conformity
- Success
- Achievement and reward
- Why some people are more successful than others
- Generic research question: explain differential success
- Generic network explanation: social capital
- Ties provide access to resources
- Certain positions in social structures are advantageous
- Coordination \& collaboration
- Innovation knowledge creation


## Levels of analysis -- organized by most to least number of units

- Dyad level - O( $\mathrm{n}^{2}$ )
- Units are pairs of persons
- Variables are things like presence of absence of a certain kind of tie between each pair of persons in network
- Node level - O(n)
- Units are persons
- Variables are things like the number of friends each person has
- Group/network level - O(1)
- Units are whole networks (e.g., teams, firms or countries)
- Variables are things like the density of trust ties, or the average number of degrees of separation between members of the group



## Dyad level

- Raw network data are dyadic
- for each pair of persons we measure
- whether they have a tie or not (are they friends?)
- How strong the relationship is (how close are they?)
- Other aspects of the tie
- How long have they been friends?
- How often do they talk?
- Measurement can undirected or directed
- Undirected: are they co-workers? If $A$ is coworker of $B$, then $B$ is coworker of $A$
- Directed: advice. Does $A$ give advice to $B$ ? If so, maybe $B$ does not give advice to $A$


## Dyad level : antecedents and consequences

## - Consequences

- If A has tie to $B$, and $A$ knows something, they may tell $B$, and now both know it
- So, a consequence of the tie is similarity/homogeneity
- I have same info as you
- I adopt same shoes as you
- Antecedents
- What determines which pair are friends are which are not?
- Often look to attributes of the individuals
- So, an antecedent of the tie is similarity


## Node level: antecedents and consequents

## - Consequences

- Employees with more friends in the higher levels of the organization get promoted earlier and have better raises
- In management the canonical hypothesis is that managers with more structural holes perform better and get rewarded better
- Antecedents
- Individuals with more outgoing personalities tend to be more central in the organizational network


Structural hole

- People with ability to interact productively with diverse kinds of people are more likely to ties to people who are not tied to each other


## Group level

- Consequences
- Teams with more centralized communication networks solve problems more quickly
- Antecedents
- Teams with greater demographic homogeneity more likely to have core/periphery network structures rather than clumpy structures



## Antecedents and consequences

## Antecedents

- Socio/cultural/psychological processes that give rise to social ties, interactions, exchanges
- What determines who is connected to whom?
- Why do some people have more ties than others?
- Why does the network have the structure it does?
- Theory of networks

Consequences

- Mechanisms that translate ties, positions, structure into outcomes
- How does the tie between two actors affect what happens between them?
- How does centrality translate into power?
- How does network structure determine diffusion speed?
- Network theory


## Types of studies

|  | Dyad Level | Node Level | Group Level |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Theory of Networks <br> (Antecedents) | Understanding who <br> becomes friends with <br> whom | Explaining why some <br> people are more liked <br> than others | Explaining why some <br> groups have more <br> centralized network <br> structures |
| Network Theory <br> (Consequences) | Predicting similarity of <br> opinion as a function of <br> friendship | Explaining why some <br> employees rise through <br> the ranks faster than <br> others as a function of <br> social ties | Predicting team <br> performance as a <br> function of structure of <br> trust network within <br> team |

Characteristics of network thinking

## Structure matters

- This is a fragile structure easily broken up



## Which networks are good for what?

- Consequences of these structures for the organization and for nodes



## Position matters: the emergence of Moscow

- Pitts (1979) study of $12^{\text {th }}$ century Russia and the later emergence of Moscow
- Why did Moscow come to dominate?
- Great man theory
- Resource richness



## Position matters

- Rivers enable trade between citystates
- System of rivers creates network of who can trade directly and indirectly with whom
- What happens in the network is a function of global paths and position
- Moscow very high in betweenness centrality


## SNA as open systems perspective

- Importance of an individual's environment
- To explain individual outcomes, must take into account the node's social environment in addition to internal characteristics
- In SNA, the environment is conceptualized as network
- An emphasis on structure relative to agency
- Consistent with an open systems perspective
- The contrast is with an essentialist/dispositional perspective
- Predict individual's outcomes using other characteristics of the individual
- Employee's success a function of ability and motivation


We are all embedded in a thick web of relations

## Environment as location in network

- Many fields have concept of environment affecting the individual
- Turbulent/differentiated environments in organizational theory
- In networks, the environment is conceptualized as other agents
- And these agents are connected to each other and to ego in a particular pattern/structure



## Traits versus environment

- Traditionally, social science has focus on attributes of individuals to predict individual outcomes
- Income as a function of education
- Essentialist, dispositional, closed system perspective
- SNA looks not only at your own attributes, but also the attribs of the people in your life


Research designs

## Whole network / sociocentric design

- Start with a set of people (typically a "natural" group such as a gang or a department)
- Collect data on the presence/absence (or strength) of ties of various kinds among all pairs of members of the set
- Who doesn't like whom; How frequently each pair of persons have a conversation
- Typically collected via survey: respondent presented with roster of people to select/rate
- Issues
- The set of persons needs to be some kind of census - can't randomly pick sample of 100 persons from the population of all Americans
- The set can't be too big
- Problems with inferential validity - how to generalize results?


## Personal network / egocentric design

- Select random sample of respondents/subjects
- Call them egos
- For each subject, identify the set of persons in that subject's life
- Call them alters
- For each alter, determine their individual characteristics
- E.g., ask ego how old the alter is, whether they use drugs, etc.
- For each alter, determine the nature of the relationship with ego
- E.g., ask ego how often they talk to alter, whether alter is a neighbor, etc.

- For pairs alters, determine their relationships to each other
- E.g., ask ego whether alter 1 is friends with alter 2 , etc.


## Issues with personal network design

- Can use random samples, enabling generalizability of findings
- Can study very large populations
- Can't say anything about network structure, or position of nodes within the structure
- Typically collected via survey, so all of the information about alters is obtained from ego's perceptions
- May be inaccurate
- But maybe it is ego's perception that matters ...


## Cognitive social structures (CSS) design

- A blend of whole network and personal network designs
- Start with natural group of persons as in whole network design
- Ask each person to indicate not only their own relationship with each other person, but also their perception of the relationships among all pairs of persons
- Result is a perceived network from each member of the network
- Issues
- Tedious for the respondent - can only be used with small groups
- Extremely rich data. Can calculate accuracy of each person's perceptions. Study effects of social perceptions
"Who would this person consider to be a personal friend? Please place a check next to all the names of those people who that person would consider to be a friend of theirs"


## Friendship network -- ilas


"Who would this person consider to be a personal friend? Please place a check next to all the names of those people who that person would consider to be a friend of theirs"

Chris's perception of the friendship network

"Who would this person consider to be a personal friend? Please place a check next to all the names of those people who that person would consider to be a friend of theirs"

## Ev's perception of the friendship network



Chris

## Fundamentals of Network Analysis

- Data structure
- Matrix Algebra
- Set and graph theory


## Defining \& Describing a network

- In social network analysis, we draw on two major areas of mathematics regularly:
- Matrix Algebra
- Tables of numbers
- Operations on matrices enable us to draw conclusions we couldn't just intuit
- Graph Theory
- Branch of discrete math that deals with collections of ties among nodes and gives us concepts like paths


## Network vs. Case Perspective

- One of the biggest differences between the SNA perspective and more traditional social science perspectives is the nature of the data
- Instead of individual cases, where we collect the same information for a bunch of people
- Here, we collect information about the interaction of pairs of people


## Mainstream Logical Data Structure

- 2-mode rectangular matrix in which rows (cases) are entities or objects and columns (variables) are attributes of the cases
- Analysis consists of correlating columns
- Emphasis on explaining one variable

ID Age Education Salary

## Network Logical Data Structures

Friendship
Jim Jill Jen Joe

| Jim | - | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Jill | 1 | - | 1 | 0 |
| Jen | 0 | 1 | - | 1 |
| Joe | 1 | 0 | 1 | - |

Proximity

|  | Jim Jill Jen Joe |  |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Jim | - | 3 | 9 | 2 |
| Jill | 3 | - | 1 | 15 |
|  |  | 1 |  |  |
| Jen |  | 1 | - | 3 |
|  | Joe | 15 | 3 | - |
|  |  |  |  |  |



- Multiple relations recorded for the same set of actors
- Each relation is a variable
- variables can also be defined at more aggregate levels
- Values are assigned to pairs of actors
- Hypotheses can be phrased in terms of correlations between relations
- Dyadic-level hypotheses

Network Representation

## Kinds of Network Data



## 1-mode Complete Network



## 2-mode Complete Network

 Gardner

## Complete Network Data vs. Complete Graph

- The term "Complete Network Data" refers to collecting data for/from all actors (vertices) on the graph
- The opposite if Ego-Network or Ego-Centric Network data, in which data is collected only from the perspective an individual (the ego)
- The term "Complete Graph" refers to a graph where every edge that could exist in the graph, does:
- For all $i, j(j>i), v(i, j)=1$


## Complete <br> Network

 Data
## Complete Graph



## Ego Network Analysis



- Combine the perspective of network analysis with the data of mainstream social science


## 1-mode Ego Network

## Carter Administration meetings



Year 1

Data courtesy of Michael
Link


## 2-mode Ego Network



## representing networks - simple undirected


adjacency matrix

| $A$ | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| 2 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| 3 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| 4 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 5 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 6 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |

adjacency list

$$
\begin{aligned}
& A \\
& \hline 1 \rightarrow\{2,5\} \\
& 2 \rightarrow\{1,3,4\} \\
& 3 \rightarrow\{2,4,5,6\} \\
& 4 \rightarrow\{2,3\} \\
& 5 \rightarrow\{1,3\} \\
& 6 \rightarrow\{3\}
\end{aligned}
$$

## representing networks - complex



## representing networks - directed networks

$$
A_{i j} \neq A_{j i}
$$


directed acyclic graph

directed graph

```
WWW
friendship?
flows of goods, information
economic exchange
dominance
neuronal
transcription
time travelers
```


## representing networks - bipartite networks



## representing networks - link types



## representing networks - network modes


representing networks - directed networks

representing networks - symmetric networks

representing networks - affiliation networks


|  | A | B | C | D | E |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| A | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| B | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| C | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 |
| D | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| E | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 |

Network Data

## storing network data

1. Adjacency matrix
2. Edgelist
3. Adjacency/node list

## 1. Adjacency Matrix

- Representing edges (who is adjacent to whom) as a matrix
- $\mathrm{A}_{\mathrm{ij}}=1$ if node $i$ has an edge to node $j$
$=0$ if node $i$ does not have an edge to $j$
- $A_{i i}=0$ unless the network has self-loops
- $A_{i j}=A_{\mathrm{ij}}$ if the network is undirected, or if $i$ and $j$ share a reciprocated edge


## 1. Adjacency Matrix



$$
A=\left(\begin{array}{lllll}
0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\
0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\
0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\
1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0
\end{array}\right)
$$

Issues:

1. Your dataset will likely contain network data in a non-matrix format;
2. Large, sparse networks take way too much space if kept in a matrix format

## 1. Adjacency Matrix

Which adjacency matrix represents this network?
A) $\left[\begin{array}{lll}0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0\end{array}\right]$
B) $\left[\begin{array}{lll}0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0\end{array}\right]$

C) $\left[\begin{array}{lll}0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0\end{array}\right]$
2. Edge list

- Edge list
- 2, 3
- 2, 4
- 3, 2
- 3, 4
-4, 5

- 5, 2
- 5, 1


## 2. Edge List (with weights)



Source Destination Weight
B A 1
B $\quad$ E 1
C A 1
C $\quad$ E 1
C D 1
Note: Weights are optional.

## 3. Adjacency list | Node list

- Adjacency list
- is easier to work with if network is
- large
- sparse
- quickly retrieve all neighbors for a node

- 1:
- 2: 34
- 3: 24
- $4: 5$
- 5: 12

Matrix Algebra

## Matrix Algebra

- Matrix Concepts, Notation \& Terminologies
- Adjacency Matrices
- Transposes
- Matrix Operations


## Matrices

- Symbolized by a capital letter, like A
- Each cell in the matrix identified by row and column subscripts: a ij
- First subscript is row, second is column

```
ID Age Gender Income
Mary a_11
Bill
John a_32
Larry
```


## Vectors

- Each row and each column in a matrix is a vector
-     - Vertical vectors are column vectors, horizontal are row vectors
- Denoted by lowercase bold letter: y
- Each cell in the vector identified by subscript $x_{i}$


## Ways and Modes

- Ways are the dimensions of a matrix.
- Modes are the sets of entities indexed by the ways of a matrix

Event Event Event Event

|  | 1 | 2 | 3 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| EVELYN | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 |  |  |  |  |  |
| LAURA | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 |  |  |  |  |  |
| THERESA | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 |  | Mary | Bill | John | Larry |
| BRENDA | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 | Mar | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| CHARLO | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | y | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| FRANCES | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | Bill | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| ELEANOR | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | John | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| PEARL RUTH | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | Larry | 2-way, 1-mode |  |  |  |
| VERNE | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |  |  |  |  |  |
| MYRNA | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2-way, 2-mode |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

## Proximity Matrices

- Proximity Matrices record "degree of proximity".
- Proximities are usually among a single set of actor (hence, they are 1-mode), but they are not limited to 1 s and $0 s$ in the data.
- What constitutes the proximity is user-defined.
- Driving distances are one form of proximities, other forms might be number of friends in common, time spent together, number of emails exchanged, or a measure of similarity in cognitive structures.


## Proximity Matrices

- Proximity matrices can contain either similarity or distance (or dissimilarity ) data.
- Similarity data, such as number of friends in common or correlations, means a larger number represents more similarity or greater proximity
- Distance (or dissimilarity data) such as physical distance means a larger number represents more dissimilarity or less proximity


## Transposes

- The transpose $M^{\prime}$ of a matrix $M$ is the matrix flipped on its side.
- The rows become columns and the columns become rows
- So the transpose of an $m$ by $n$ matrix is an $n$ by $m$ matrix.


## Transpose Example

| M | Tennis | Football | Rugby | Golf |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Mike | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| Ron | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 |
| Pat | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| Bill | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| Joe | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Rich | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| Peg | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 |


| $\mathbf{M T}^{\mathbf{T}}$ | Mike | Ron | Pat | Bill | Joe | Rich | Peg |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Tennis | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| Football | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 |
| Rugby | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| Golf | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 |

## Dichotomizing

- X is a valued matrix, say 1 to 10 rating of strength of tie
- Construct a matrix $Y$ of ones and zeros s.t. $y_{i j}=1$ if $x_{i j}>5$, and $y_{i j}=0$ otherwise


## EVE LAU THE BRE CHA

| EVELYN | 8 | 6 | 7 | 6 | 3 |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| LAURA | 6 | 7 | 6 | 6 | 3 |
| THERESA | 7 | 6 | 8 | 6 | 4 |
| BRENDA | 6 | 6 | 6 | 7 | 4 |
| CHARLOTTE 3 | 3 | 4 | 4 | 4 |  |
| EVE LAU THE BRE CHA |  |  |  |  |  |
| EVELYN | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 |
| LAURA | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 |
| THERESA | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 |
| BRENDA | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 |
| CHARLOTTE 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |  |

## Symmetrizing

- When matrix is not symmetric, i.e., $x_{i j} \neq x_{j i}$
- Symmetrize various ways. Set $y_{i j}$ and $y_{j i}$ to:
- Maximum(x_ij, x_ji): union rule;
- Minimum(x_ij, x_ji): intersection rule;
- Average (x_ij+x_ji)/2
- Lowerhalf: choose $x_{i j}$ when $i>j$ and $x_{j i}$ otherwise


## Symmetrizing Example

What rule are we using here?

ROM BON AMB BER PET LOU

| ROMUL_10 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 3 | 0 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| BONAVEN_5 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 3 | 2 |
| AMBROSE_9 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| BERTH_6 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 3 | 0 |
| PETER_4 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 2 |
| LOUIS_11 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |

ROM BON AMB BER PET LOU

| ROMUL_10 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 3 | 0 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| BONAVEN_5 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 3 | 2 |
| AMBROSE_9 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 |
| BERTH_6 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 3 | 0 |
| PETER_4 | 3 | 3 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 2 |
| LOUIS_11 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 |

## Matrix Multiplication

- Matrix products are not generally commutative (i.e., $A B$ does not usually equal $B A$ )
- Notation: $C=A B$
- only possible when the number of columns in A equals number of rows in B; these are said to be comformable. It is calculated as:

$$
c_{i j}=\sum a_{i k} * b_{k j} \quad \forall k
$$

## Matrix multiplication example i



$$
\left[\begin{array}{ccc}
1 & 0 & 2 \\
-1 & 3 & 1
\end{array}\right] \cdot\left[\begin{array}{ll}
3 & 1 \\
2 & 1 \\
1 & 0
\end{array}\right]=\left[\begin{array}{cc}
1 \times 3+0 \times 2+2 \times 1 & 1 \times 1+0 \times 1+2 \times 0 \\
-1 \times 3+3 \times 2+1 \times 1 & -1 \times 1+3 \times 1+1 \times 0
\end{array}\right]=\left[\begin{array}{ll}
5 & 1 \\
4 & 2
\end{array}\right]
$$

## Matrix multiplication example ii

| Skills | Math | Verbal | Analytic |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Kev | 1.00 | .75 | .80 |
| Jeff | .80 | .80 | .90 |
| Lisa | .75 | .60 | .75 |
| Kim | .80 | 1.00 | .85 |


| Items | Q1 | Q2 | Q3 | Q4 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Math | .50 | .75 | 0 | .1 |
| Verbal | .10 | 0 | .9 | .1 |
| Analytic | .40 | .25 | .1 | .8 |

- Given a Skills and Items matrix calculate the "affinity" that each person has for each question
- Kev for Question 1 is:

$$
\begin{aligned}
& =1.00 * .5+.75^{*} .1+.80^{*} \\
& .40 \\
& =.5+.075+.32=0.895
\end{aligned}
$$

- Lisa for Question 3 is:

$$
\begin{aligned}
& =.75^{*} .0+.60^{*} .90+.75^{*} .1 \\
& =.0+.54+.075=0.615
\end{aligned}
$$

| Affin | Q1 | Q2 | Q3 | Q4 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Kev | 0.895 | 0.95 | 0.755 | 0.815 |
| Jeff | 0.840 | 0.825 | 0.810 | 0.880 |
| Lisa | 0.735 | 0.75 | 0.615 | 0.735 |
| Kim | 0.840 | 0.813 | 0.985 | 0.860 |

## Assessing node's environment

|  | X |  |  |  |  |  | A |  |  |  | XA |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | a | b | c | d | e | $f$ |  | hrs | \$ | lib |  | hrs | \$ | lib |
| a | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | a | 3 | 50 | 1 | a | 22 | 65 | 15 |
| b | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | b | 9 | 10 | 4 | b | 3 | 5 | 3 |
| c | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | c | 3 | 5 | 3 | c | 19 | 90 | 10 |
| d | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 | d | 7 | 30 | 5 | d | 18 | 40 | 13 |
| e | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |  | e | 1 | 20 | 2 | e | 3 | 50 | 1 |
| $f$ | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | $f$ | 5 | 5 | 4 | f | 13 | 80 | 7 |

- Hrs and $\$$ columns of XA give social access to resources
- Lib column gives how liberal the person's social environment is


## Boolean matrix multiplication

- Values can be 0 or 1 for all matrices
- Products are dichotomized

Would have been a 2 in
regular matrix multiplication

|  | Mary Bill John Larry |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Mary | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| Bill | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| John | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| Larry | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
|  |  |  |  |  |

A

|  | Mary Bill John Larry |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Mary | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 |
| Bill | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| John | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| Larry | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
|  |  |  |  |  |

B

|  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Mary Bill John Larry |  |  |  |  |
| Mary | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 |
| Bill | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| John | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Larry | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |

$A B$

## Composition of relations

- We represent each social relation (e.g., $F=$ friend of, $B=$ boss of) as a matrix
- To create the compound relation friend of the boss of (FB), we just multiply the two matrices

|  | F |  |  |  |  | B |  |  |  |  |  |  | FB |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | a | b | C | d | x | a | a | a b c d |  |  | = | a | a | b | c d |  |
| a | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 |  |  | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 |  |  | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| b | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 |  | b | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |  | b | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| c | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 |  | c | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 |  | c | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 |
| d | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 |  | d | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |  | d | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 |

## Composition of relations

F

|  | a | b | c | d |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| a | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| b | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| C | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| d | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 |

B


Everyone is friends with their boss

- $F B(c, a)=1$ (or $c F B a)$ means that person $c$ is friend of someone (namely b) who is the boss of a. i.e., c is friends with a's boss
- $\mathrm{FB}(\mathrm{a}, \mathrm{a})=1$ (or aFBa) means person $a$ is friends with someone ( $b$ again) who is a's boss. i.e., $a$ is friends with her boss
- $F B(b, d)=1$, so person $b$ is friends with someone $(a)$ who is the boss of $d$


## Converse of a relation

- In relational terms, the converse of a relation is the reciprocal role
- Converse of "boss of" is "subordinate of"
- In graph terms, we are just reversing the direction of arrows
- In matrix terms, we are transposing matrix
- Construct B' (reports to) from B (is the boss of)

"reports to"

|  | B |  |  |  |  | B' |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | a | b | C | d | a | a | b | C | d |
| a | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 |  | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| b | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | b | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| C | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | C | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| d | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | d | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Boss of |  |  |  |  | Reports to |  |  |  |  |

To transpose a matrix, write each row as a column

## Composition of relations - with converse

- To create the compound relation friend of the subordinate of (FB'), we just post-multiply $F$ by the transpose of $B$
- $F B^{\prime}(c, a)=1$ (or cFB'a) means that person $c$ is friend of someone (namely $d$ ) who is a subordinate of $a$. i.e., $c$ is friends with $a^{\prime}$ s subordinate
- $F B^{\prime}(a, a)=1$ (or aFB'a) means person $a$ is friends with someone $(d)$ who is her subordinate. i.e., $a$ is friends with one of her direct reports.

|  | F |  |  |  |  |  | B' |  |  |  |  |  | FB' |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | a | b | c | d |  |  | a | b | C | d |  |  | a | b | C | d |
| a | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 |  | a | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 |  | a | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| b | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | X | b | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | $=$ | b | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| C | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 |  | C | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |  | C | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 |
| d | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 |  | d | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |  | d | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 |

Everybody likes
a's subordinates

## Transitivity

- L = "likes someone", uLLv means u likes someone who likes v

L

|  | a | b | c | d |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| a | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| b | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| C | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| d | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 |

L

|  | a | b | c | d |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| a | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| b | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| C | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| d | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 |

LL

|  | a | b | c | d |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| a | 1 | 0 | 2 | 0 |
| b | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| C | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| d | 0 | 2 | 0 | 1 |

Note diagonal of LL is all 1 s , so everyone is lucky enough to like someone who likes them
$L L(d, b)=2$ indicates $d$ likes 2 people who like $b$

- If $a$ likes $b$ and $b$ likes $c$, does that mean $a$ likes $c$ ?
- If matrix $L=$ matrix $L L$, then $L$ is a transitive relation, in keeping with balance theory


## Products of matrices \& their transposes

- $\mathrm{XX} X^{\prime}=$ product of matrix X by its transpose

$$
\left(X X^{\prime}\right)_{i j}=\sum_{k} x_{i k} x_{j k}
$$

- Computes sums of products of each pair of rows (cross-products)
- Similarities among rows

|  | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Mary | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| Bill | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| John | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| Larry | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Tina | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 |



|  | Mary |  |  |  | Bill |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| John | Larry | Tina |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Mary | 3 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Bill | 1 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 1 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| John | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Larry | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Tina | 2 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 2 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| XX' |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

## Multiplying a matrix by its transpose

|  |  | 1 E |  | E3 | E4 | E5 | E6 | E7 | 7 | E8 | E9 | E10 | E11 | E12 | E13 | E14 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| EVELYN | 1 |  | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 |  | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| LAURA | 1 |  | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 |  | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| THERESA | 0 |  | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 |  | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| BRENDA |  |  | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 |  | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Charlotte |  | - | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 |  | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| FRANCES |  | , | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 |  | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| ELEANOR |  | - | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 |  | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| PEARL |  | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 |  | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| RUTH |  | - | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 |  | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| VERNE |  | - | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 |  | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| MYRNA |  |  | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |  | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| KATHERINE | 0 |  | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |  | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| SYLVIA |  |  | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 |  | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| NORA |  |  | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 |  | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| HELEN |  |  | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 |  | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| DOROTHY | 0 |  | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |  | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| OLIVIA | 0 |  | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |  | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| FLORA | 0 |  | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |  | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |


|  | EV | LA | TH | BR | CH | FR | EL | PE | RU | VE | MY | KA | SY | NO | HE | DO | OL | FL |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| E1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| E2 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| E3 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| E4 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| E5 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| E6 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| E7 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| E8 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| E9 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| E10 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| E111 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 |
| E12 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| E13 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| E14 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |


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| EVELYN | 8 | 6 | 7 | 6 | 3 | 4 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 1 |
| LAURA | 6 | 7 | 6 | 6 | 3 | 4 | 4 | 2 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
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| PEARL | 3 | 2 | 3 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 2 | 3 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 1 |
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| SYLVIA | 2 | 2 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 4 | 6 | 7 | 6 | 4 | 2 | 1 | 1 |
| NORA | 2 | 2 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 3 | 3 | 5 | 6 | 8 | 4 | 1 | 2 | 2 |
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| OLIVIA | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 2 |
| FLORA | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 2 |

## squaring an adjacency matrix




Graph Theoretic Concepts

## Intro to graph terminology

- Nodes
- Aka vertices or points in more mathematical work
- Actors, agents, egos, alters, contacts in more sociological work
- Nodes can individuals or collective actors, such as countries
- In social network analysis, nodes typically have agency
- Ties
- Aka edges, arcs or lines in more technical work

- Links, bonds, direct connections etc in more sociological work
- Ties are typically binary: they link exactly two nodes


## A graph

- $G(V, E)$ is ...
- A set of vertices V , together with ...
- A set of edges $E$
- The edges are binary, meaning they have exactly two endpoints
- They are 2-tuples
- If the edges are k-tuples (where $k>2$ ), they comprise a hyper-graph


## Directed and undirected graphs

- Graphs can be directed or undirected*
- Undirected
- In an undirected graph, the ties don't have direction - two nodes $u$ and $v$ are connected by a tie, but it doesn't matter whether you say $u$ has tie to $v$ or $v$ has tie to $u$.
- E.g., married, taking same class, siblings
- The ties are called edges

- Directed
- Ties (which are called arcs) have direction. If $u$ has a tie to $v$, it may or may not be true that $v$ has a tie to $u$
- Gives advice to; sends an email to; thinks well of
- Directed graphs often called digraphs
- An undirected graph is like a directed graph in which all arcs are reciprocated, but technically there is a difference
- In an undirected graph, non-reciprocity is impossible/insensible



## Marriage ties between families



## Business ties between families



## Directed networks

- In directed graphs, ties have direction, and need not be reciprocated
- Adjacency matrix is not symmetric


|  | a | b | c | d | e | $f$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| a | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| b | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| c | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| d | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| e | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| $f$ | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 |

> Consider "likes" and "seeks advice from"

## Transpose Adjacency matrix

- In directed graphs, interchanging rows/columns of adjacency matrix effectively reverses the direction \& meaning of ties

|  | Mary Bill John Larry |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Mary | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| Bill | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| John | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Larry | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| Gives money to |  |  |  |  |


|  | Mary Bill John Larry |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Mary | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 |  |
| Bill | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 |  |
| John | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 |  |
| Larry | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 |  |
|  | Gets money from |  |  |  |  |



How meaningful are arrows?

## The 3 people you interacted with the most over the last week

Discuss reversing direction

- Converse of the graph

- Drawn without arrows, but is a directed relation
ase drawn from:
Krackhardt, D. 1992 "The Strength of Strong Ties: The Importance of Philos in Organizations." In N. Nohria \& R. Eccles (eds.), Networks and Organizations: Structure, Form, and Action: 216-239. Boston, MA: Harvard Business School Press.


## Valued networks

- We can attach values to ties, representing quantitative properties of the relationship
- $G(V, E, F)$, where $F$ is a function delivering real values
- Strength of relationship
- Information capacity of tie
- Rates of flow or traffic across tie
- Distances between nodes

- Probabilities of passing on information
- Frequency of interaction



## Valued Adjacency Matrix

Dichotomized

|  | Jim Jill Jen |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Jim | - | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| Jill | 1 | - | 1 | 0 |
|  | 0 | 1 | - | 1 |
|  | 0 | 1 |  |  |
|  | 1 | 0 | 1 | - |
|  |  |  |  |  |

Distances btw offices

|  | Jim Jill |  | ill Jen | Joe |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Jim | - | 3 | 9 | 2 |
| Jill | 3 | - | 1 | 15 |
| Jen | 9 | 1 | - | 3 |
| Joe | 2 | 15 | 3 |  |

- The diagram below uses solid lines to represent the adjacency matrix, while the numbers along the solid line (and dotted lines where necessary) represent the proximity matrix.
- In this particular case, one can derive the adjacency matrix by dichotomizing the proximity matrix on a condition of $\mathrm{p}_{\mathrm{ij}}<=3$.



## Reflexive graphs

- A reflexive tie is a tie from a node to itself
- Self-loops
- Reflexive graphs are ones in which ties from a node to itself is allowed
- Normally only used when nodes represent collective agents such as cities
- Number of phone calls between US cities


## Some well-known graphs

- Line/path
- Circle/cycle

- Clique
- Star



## Expressing the presence of a tie

- Suppose you have an undirected graph G(V,E)
- To express that $u$ and $v$ have a tie in this graph we can write ( $u, v$ ) $\in E$ or, if there multiple graphs under discussion, $(u, v) \in E(G)$
- It is irrelevant whether we write $(u, v) \in E$ or $(v, u) \in E$
- If $\mathrm{G}(\mathrm{V}, \mathrm{E})$ is directed, then
- $(u, v) \in E$ means $u$ has a tie to $v$.
- If it also true that $(v, u) \in E$, we say the $u--v$ tie is reciprocated


## Mathematical relations

- A graph can also be viewed as a mathematical relation

- Wikipedia:
- In mathematics, a binary relation over two sets $A$ and $B$ is a set of ordered pairs $(a, b)$, consisting of elements $a$ of $A$ and elements $b$ of $B$. That is, it is a subset of the Cartesian product $A \times B$. It encodes the information of relation: an element $a$ is related to an element $b$, if and only if the pair $(a, b)$ belongs to the set. Binary relation is the most studied form of relations among all $n$-ary relations.
- A graph is a special case where $A$ and $B$ are the same set
- Just a set of pairs of things. To say that $u$ and $v$ are tied by a given relation we can write, as before
- $(u, v) \in E(G)$
- But is also convenient to write $u E v$, which says $u$ has the relation with $v$


## Relational terminology

- Suppose B is the relation "is the brother of" and F is the relation "is the father of"
- uBv means $u$ is the brother of $v$
- yFx means $y$ is the father of $x$
- We can define a compound relation BF as "is the brother of someone who is the father of"
- $u B F x$ means $u$ is the brother of the father of $x$
- So BF is the uncle relation
- $\mathrm{U}=\mathrm{BF}$
- $z U x$ means $z$ is the uncle of $x$


## Relational terminology - cont.

- The relation FF is the father of the father of
- uFFv means that $u$ is the grandfather of $v$
- We use $F^{\prime}$ to indicate the converse of a relation $F$
- If $F$ means is the father of, then $F^{\prime}$ means is the child of
- uFv if and only if $v F^{\prime} U$
- The compound relation F'F means 'the child of the father of'
- uF'Fv means that $u$ is the child of someone who is the father of $v$.
- Who are $u$ and $v$ to each other? They are siblings
- The relation $\mathrm{FF}^{\prime}$ is the father of the child of
- uFF'v means that $u$ is the father of someone who is the son of $v$
- In other words $u$ and $v$ are co-parents to each other - they have the same children


## Node-related concepts

- Degree

- The number of ties incident upon a node
- In a digraph, we have indegree (number of arcs to a node) and outdegree (number of arcs from a node)
- Pendant
- A node connected to a component through only one edge or arc
- A node with degree 1
- Example:John
- Isolate
- A node which is a component on its own
- E.g., Evander


## How do things move?

|  | Paths | Trails | Walks |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Move | Snail mail | Used paperback | Dollar bill |
| Copy | Virus | Gossip | Emotion |

- Path - can't revisit a node or a line
- Trail - can't revisit a line
- Walk - unrestricted
- Every path is a trail, every trail is a walk



## Graph traversals

- Walk
- Any unrestricted traversing of vertices across edges (Russ-Steve-Bert-Lee-Steve)
- Trail
- A walk restricted by not repeating an edge or arc, although vertices can be revisited (Steve-Bert-Lee-Steve-Russ)
- Path
- A trail restricted by not revisiting any vertex (Steve-Lee-Bert-Russ)
- Geodesic Path
- The shortest path(s) between two vertices (Steve-Russ-John is shortest path from Steve to John)
- Cycle
- A cycle is in all ways just like a path except that it ends where it begins
- Aside from endpoints, cycles do not repeat nodes
- E.g. Brazey-Lee-Bert-Steve-Brazey



## Path

- A path is of sequence of incident lines (together with the nodes they connect) in which no node occurs more than once
- Can't revisit a node
-3-4-1-6 is a path
-3-4-1-6-4 is not
- Length of a path is defined as the number of lines in it
- Path 2-3-4-1 is length 3
- The shortest path from $u$ to $v$ is called a geodesic



## Trail

- Trail is a sequence of incident lines such that no line occurs more than once
- Nodes can be revisited, but lines can't
- 3-4-1-6-4-5-6 is a trail
- 3-4-1-6-4-5-6-4 is not



## Walks

- Walks are unrestricted sequences of incident edges.
- Can revisit any node or line
- 2-3-2-6 is a walk
- 2-3-4-6 is not (must obey direction)
- Every path is a trail, every trail is a walk, every path is a walk
- All of these are ways that things can traverse a graph, can flow
 through the graph


## Length \& Distance

- Length of a path (or any walk) is the number of links it has
- The Geodesic Distance (aka graph-theoretic distance) between two nodes is the length of the shortest path
- Distance from 5 to 8 is 2 , because the shortest path (5-1-8) has two links



## Geodesic Distance Matrix



## Path lengths

- We can think of $L L$ as $L^{2}$. If $L^{2}(a, c)>0$, it means there exists a path (technically, a walk) from a to c that is exactly 2 links long
- If we compute LLL or $L^{3}$, then $L^{3}(a, c)>0$ means there exists at least one walk from a to $c$ that is exactly 3 links long
- More generally if $L^{k}(i, j)>0$, it means there is at least one walk from $i$ to $j$ that is exactly $k$ links long
- $L^{\mathrm{k}}(\mathrm{i}, \mathrm{j})=7$ means there are 7 different walks from $i$ to $j$ that are of length $k$



## Matrix powers example

Note that shortest path from 1 to 5 is three links, so $x_{1,5}=0$ until we get to $X^{3}$



|  | 1 |  |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
|  | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 |  |
| 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 2 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 |
| 3 | 1 | 0 | 3 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| 4 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 1 |
| 5 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 3 | 0 |
| 6 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| $X^{2}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |


|  | 1 |  |  |  |  |  |  | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2 | 2 | 0 | 4 | 1 | 1 | 1 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 3 | 0 | 4 | 2 | 4 | 5 | 1 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 4 | 1 | 1 | 4 | 2 | 4 | 1 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 5 | 1 | 1 | 5 | 4 | 2 | 3 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 6 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 3 | 0 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| $X^{3}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |


|  |  | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 | 2 | 0 | 4 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| 2 | 0 | 6 | 2 | 5 | 6 | 1 |
|  | 4 | 2 | 13 | 7 | 7 | 5 |
|  | 1 | 5 | 7 | 8 | 7 | 4 |
| 5 | 1 | 6 | 7 | 7 | 12 | 2 |
|  | 1 | 1 | 5 | 4 | 2 | 3 |

## Subgraphs

- Set of nodes
- Is just a set of nodes
- A subgraph
- Is set of nodes together with ties among them

- An induced subgraph
- Subgraph defined by a set of nodes
- Like pulling the nodes and ties out of the original graph


Subgraph induced by considering the set $\{a, b, c, f, e\}$

## Connected vs disconnected graphs

- A graph is connected if you can reach any node from any other - i.e., there exists a path from one to the other
- Directed graphs are often disconnected


Disconnected

## Component

- Maximal sets of nodes in which every node can reach every other by some path (no matter how long)
- Coherent fragments of a graph
- A graph with a single component is called a connected graph
- Weak vs strong components
- A weak component is where we


Removing F-E tie would create a network with 2 components

It is relations (types of tie) that define different networks, not components. A network that has two components remains one (disconnected) network.

## Components in Directed Graphs

- Strong component
- There is a directed path from each member of the component to every other
- Weak component
- There is an undirected path (a weak path) from every member of the component to every other
- Is like ignoring the direction of ties - driving the wrong way if you have to


## A network with 4 weak components

Who you go to so that you can say 'I ran it by $\qquad$ , and she says ...'
Recent acquisition
Older acquisitions
Original company

## 1 weak component, 4 strong components



## Cutpoints and Bridges

- Cutpoint
- A node which, if deleted, would increase the number of components
- Bridge
- A tie that, if removed, would increase the number of

components


## Cutpoints

- Nodes which, if deleted, would increase the number of components in the network
- Removing Biff would disconnect the network (create 2 components)


## Bridge

- An edge which, if removed, would increase the number of components in the network



## Local Bridge of Degree K

- An edge that connects nodes that would otherwise be a minimum of $k$ steps apart
- The A-B tie is local bridge of degree 5
- Loss of relationship between $A$ and $B$ would effectively, though not actually, disconnect $A$ from $B$



## Local bridges of degree $k$



## Getting the Data in UCINET

- Four options:
- DL Files
- Text files of various formats that can be created easily by geeks and nerds
- Excel Files/Grid format
- UCINET has a spreadsheet tool that easily interacts with Excel or can allow manual entry if network is not too large
- VNA Files
- Text files that allow for a single-file that contains both dyadic and nodal attribute data
- Import Text Via Spreadsheet tool
- A new tool in UCINET that lets you do DL file formats in a spreadsheet tool


## DL Files

- These are the most versatile
- There are multiple formats:
- Full Matrix
- Nodelist
- Edgelist
- Each has its advantages


## DL Data Formats

| Dl $\mathrm{n}=5$ | Dl $\mathrm{n}=5$ | Dl $\mathrm{n}=5$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Format = edgelist | Format = nodelist | Format = edgelist2 |
| Labels embedded | Labels embedded | Labels embedded |
| Data: | Data: | Data: |
| billy john 6 | billy john | billy Essex 4 |
| john billy 1 | john billy jill | john Cambridge 2 |
| john jill 2 | jill mary | jill Oxford 3 |
| jill mary | mary billy jil | mary Leeds 6 |
| mary billy 5 |  | This is the same as the |
| mary jill |  | edgelist format, except |
| mary jill |  | the nominating node (the |
| Best for data coming from a relational databases or if you have valued data. | This method is best for BINARY data | first column) is of a different MODE than the |
| Values are added if repeated | NOTE: This is a dichotomized version | nominated node (the second column). |
| and default to 1 | of the others | There is also nodelist2 |

## VNA Files

- These CAN combine in one file both:
- Nodal (attribute) data and
- e.g., Age, gender, Education Level
- Network/Relational/Dyadic data
- E.g., Communicates with, Trusts
- Can have textual data
- NetDraw will preserve the labels
- UCINET will transform them to numbers


## Sample VNA File

```
*Node data
"ID", "Gender", "Role"
"HOLLY" "FEMALE" "STUDENT"
"STEVE" "MALE" "TEACHER"
"CAROL" "FEMALE" "STUDENT"
...
*Tie data
FROM TO "campnet"
"HOLLY" "PAM" 1
"HOLLY" "PAT" 1
"BRAZEY" "STEVE" }
"BRAZEY" "BERT" 1
"CAROL" "PAM" }
"PAM" "ANN" }
"PAT" "HOLLY" }
```


## Excel/Data Grid

- Excel is the "Universal Translator"
- UCINET has a Data Grid tool that
- Looks like excel
- Reads excel files
- Works really well with Excel Cut\&Paste
- As long as you click in the right place for pasting your data


## Some tricks

- If the network is small (not too many people)
- I use excel
- Create a comma-separated full-matrix-style file and cut and paste into the data grid
- Manually create attribute file in UCINET (\#s only)
- If the network is larger
- I create an edgelist DL file for the network only
- And a VNA file just with node data (attributes)
- Then I:
- Import the DL file into UCINET (creating \#\#h \& \#\#d files)
- Open the vna file as an attribute file
- If I want to do attribute-based analyses in UCINET, I export the Attributes as a UCINET dataset (will translate text to numbers automatically for me- but I can't control them)


## Where to find the importing

- In UCINET
- Data | import | DL
- Data | Import | VNA
- Data | Spreadsheets | Matrix (Ctrl-S)
- Data | Import via Spreasheet | DL
- In NetDraw
- File | Open | Ucinet DL Text file
- File | Open | VNA text file
- NetDraw can work with the text files (no UCINET dataset). UCINET does not.


## If you forget the format

- Just Export one of the Sample files
- For DL files
- From UCINET go to

Data | Export | DL

- For VNA files
- From NetDraw, load the data and go to File | Save Data as | VNA | Complete


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## NetDraw



■c Size:


Save As New Relation
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# Big 4 or 5 centrality measures 

Degree
Closeness
Betweenness
Eigenvector / beta centrality

## networks are complex

Can we understand them better without a "ridiculogram"?


## describing networks

what networks look like
questions:

- how are the edges organized?
- how do vertices differ?
- does network location matter?
- are there underlying patterns?
what we want to know
- what processes shape these networks?
- how can we tell?



## describing networks

a first step : describe its features

$$
f: G \rightarrow\left\{x_{1}, \ldots, x_{k}\right\}
$$

- degree distributions
- short-loop density (triangles, etc.)
- shortest paths (diameter, etc.)
- vertex positions
- correlations between these


## describing networks

a first step : describe its features

$$
f: \text { object } \rightarrow\left\{x_{1}, \ldots, x_{k}\right\}
$$

- physical dimensions
- material density, composition
- radius of gyration
- correlations between these
helpful for exploration, but not what we want...



## describing networks

what we want : understand its structure

$$
f: \text { object } \rightarrow\left\{\theta_{1}, \ldots, \theta_{k}\right\}
$$

- what are the fundamental parts?
- how are these parts organized?
- where are the degrees of freedom $\vec{\theta}$ ?
- how can we define an abstract class?
- structure - dynamics - function?
what does local-level structure look like? what does large-scale structure look like? how does structure constrain function?



## What is centrality?

- An aspect of a node's position in a network
- Structural prominence
- Contribution to network structure
- Structural reflection of importance
- Direction of a causality in any context is often unclear
- Does central position come from, node attribute (e.g., achievement), or does the node attribute (e.g., disease) come from central position?
- Measures or constructs?



## describing networks



# position = centrality: measure of positional "importance" 



## Degree centrality

- Barely a centrality measure, as you don't need to know the structure of the network to calculate it
- Number of ties a node has

- In most cases, this is also number of distinct nodes the node is adjacent to
- Interpreted as exposure and capacity to influence
- Depending on the tie
- E.g., negative ties work differently



## describing networks



## describing networks


degree sequence $\{1,2,2,2,3,4\}$
degree distribution $\operatorname{Pr}(k)=\left[\left(1, \frac{1}{6}\right),\left(2, \frac{3}{6}\right),\left(3, \frac{1}{6}\right),\left(4, \frac{1}{6}\right)\right]$

## describing networks



Zachary karate club*


## Centrality in social context

- Social capital
- The more ties I have, the more potential help I can get for some problem
- Also the greater the likelihood that some node close to me has a needed skill/resource
- Power - influencing others
- Imagine mutual trust ties
- The more ties, the more people you can influence directly
- Adoption - being influenced by others
- If you have many trust ties, lots of people have influence on you.
- What if your alters disagree with each other?
- Role strain/cognitive dissonance
- Reflection of status/visibility in another context

"That's an excellent suggestion, Miss Triggs. Perhaps one of the men here would like to suggest it." (Punch, 8 January, 1988)


## Independent Variable: Task Interdependence Networks

## DV

H1a: The higher the number of contacts that an actor depends on to develop his/her own work, the more likely he/she is to experience high cynicism and low professional efficacy

H1b: The higher the number of contacts that depend on an actor to develop their own work, the more likely he/she is to experience emotional exhaustion.


- Cynicism
- Professional Efficacy

Degree as row/col sums or averages

|  | a | b | c | d | e | f | Sum | Avg |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| a | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | . 2 |
| b | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 3 | . 6 |
| c | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 2 | . 4 |
| d | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 3 | . 6 |
| e | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 2 | . 4 |
| f | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 2 |



## Directed degree - cont.

- Outdegree and indegree correspond to the row and column sums of the adjacency matrix
- Outdegree = row sums
- Indegree = column sums

|  | A | B | C | D | E | F | Total |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| A | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 |
| B | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 2 |
| C | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 3 |
| D | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 2 |
| E | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 2 |
| F | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 2 |
| Total | 2 | 1 | 1 | 3 | 1 | 4 | 12 |



## Indegree and outdegree

- Here, indegree is useful but outdegree is not
- In a survey setting we tend to value indegree more

|  |  | braze | caro |  |  | Jenn | Pauli |  | MICH |  |  |  |  | HARR |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | HOLLY | Y | L | PAM | PAT | E | NE | ANN | aEL | BILL | LEE | DON | OnN | Y | GERY | STEVE | Bert | RUS | OUTDEG |
| HoLly | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 |
| brazey | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 3 |
| CAROL | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 |
| PAM | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 |
| PAT | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 |
| Jennie | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 |
| PAULINE | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 |
| ANN | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 |
| MICHAEL | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 |
| BILL | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 |
| LEE | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 3 |
| DON | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 |
| JOHN | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 3 |
| HARRY | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 |
| GERY | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 3 |
| Steve | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 3 |
| bert | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 3 |
| RUSS | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 3 |
| INDEG | 4 | 1 | 2 | 5 | 4 | 3 | 4 | 2 | 4 | 0 | 3 | 4 | 0 | 3 | 2 | 5 | 4 | 4 | 54 |

## Plot indegree vs outdegree

- Suppose the type of tie is "seeks advice from"
- Outdegree = how many people you seek help from
- Indegree = how many people seek advice from you
- Note that flow of information runs backwards: if $A$ seeks advice from $B$, then $B$ sends info to $A$


indegree

outdegree

Best measure if importance means:
$\longrightarrow$ how popular you are
$\longrightarrow$ how many people you know

## It is a local measure!

## Degree Centrality with Valued Data

|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| MT6 | MT6 | MT71 | MT72 | MT83 | MT93 | MT210 | MT215 | MT272 |  |
| MT71 | 0 | 100 | 500 | 1600 | 1100 | 300 | 2450 | 1500 | 7550 |
| MT72 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| MT83 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| MT93 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| MT210 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| MT215 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| MT272 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| INDEGREE | 0 | 100 | 500 | 1600 | 1100 | 300 | 2450 | 1500 | 0 |

NOTE: some software may binarize networks before calculating degree with valued data.

## formula for degree (normalized)

$$
C^{D}(i)=\frac{k_{i}}{N-1}
$$



## describing networks

## spreading processes on networks

biological (diseases)

- SIS and SIR models
social (information)
susceptible-infected-susceptible

- SIS, SIR models
- threshold models

threshold


susceptible-infected-recovered


## describing networks


$R_{0}$ is the basic reproduction number: the number of infected people an infected person can reproduce.

## cascade <br> epidemic <br> branching process <br> spreading process

$R_{0}=$ net reproductive rate $=$ average degree $\langle k\rangle$

## caveat:

ignores network structure, dynamics, etc.

## describing networks



## describing networks



## describing networks

how could we halt the spread?

- break network into disconnected pieces



## describing networks

## what promotes spreading?

- high-degree vertices*
- centrally-located vertices
homogeneous in degree

heterogeneous in degree



## Who's Important in this network?



DEGREE: When dealing with binary data, degree centrality is the number of nodes adjacent to a given node


## Turbo-charging degree

- Degree is a count of the number of nodes you are connected to
- Treats all nodes equally
- What if you wanted to weight the nodes by how many nodes they were connected to?

$$
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$$

- But why stop there? Can keep iterating ...

|  | $\mathbf{a}$ | $\mathbf{b}$ | $\mathbf{c}$ | $\mathbf{d}$ | $\mathbf{e}$ | $\mathbf{f}$ | deg | deg |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\mathbf{a}$ | $\mathbf{0}$ | $\mathbf{1}$ | $\mathbf{0}$ | $\mathbf{0}$ | $\mathbf{0}$ | $\mathbf{0}$ | 1 | 3 |
| $\mathbf{b}$ | $\mathbf{1}$ | $\mathbf{0}$ | $\mathbf{1}$ | $\mathbf{1}$ | $\mathbf{0}$ | $\mathbf{0}$ | 3 | 6 |
| $\mathbf{c}$ | $\mathbf{0}$ | $\mathbf{1}$ | $\mathbf{0}$ | $\mathbf{1}$ | $\mathbf{0}$ | $\mathbf{0}$ | 2 | 6 |
| $\mathbf{d}$ | $\mathbf{0}$ | $\mathbf{1}$ | $\mathbf{1}$ | $\mathbf{0}$ | $\mathbf{1}$ | $\mathbf{0}$ | 3 | 7 |
| $\mathbf{e}$ | $\mathbf{0}$ | $\mathbf{0}$ | $\mathbf{0}$ | $\mathbf{1}$ | $\mathbf{0}$ | $\mathbf{1}$ | 2 | 4 |
| $\mathbf{f}$ | $\mathbf{0}$ | $\mathbf{0}$ | $\mathbf{0}$ | $\mathbf{0}$ | $\mathbf{1}$ | $\mathbf{0}$ | 1 | 2 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

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## Iterated Degree



## eigenvector centrality

## position = centrality:

PageRank, Katz, eigenvector centrality
importance $=$ sum of importances* of nodes that point at you

$$
I_{i}=\sum_{j \rightarrow i} \frac{I_{j}}{k_{j}}
$$

or, the left eigenvector of

$$
\mathbf{A x}=\lambda \mathbf{x}
$$

## Eigenvector

- Principal eigenvector of network adjacency matrix A

$$
\mathrm{A} \mathbf{v}=\lambda \mathbf{v} \quad v_{i}=\frac{1}{\lambda} \sum_{j} a_{i j} v_{j}
$$

$\mathbf{v}$ is the eigenvector, $\lambda$ is the associated eigenvalue (a proportionality constant)

- A node has high eigenvector score to the extent it is connected to many nodes who themselves have high scores
- Often interpreted as popularity or status - have ties not just to many others but many well-connected others
- A kind of turbo-charged degree centrality


## Eigenvector

- Node $\boldsymbol{d}$ has the highest eigenvector centrality in the land


Eigenvector can (usually) be computed as iterated degree*

|  | a | b | c | d | e | f | D1 | D2 | D3 | D4 | D5 | D6 | D7 | D8 | D9 | D10 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| a | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 3 | 6 | 16 | 35 | 86 | 195 | 465 | 1071 | 2524 |
| b | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 6 | 16 | 35 | 86 | 195 | 465 | 1071 | 2524 | 5854 |
| c | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 6 | 13 | 32 | 73 | 173 | 401 | 940 | 2190 | 5117 |
| d | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 3 | 7 | 16 | 38 | 87 | 206 | 475 | 1119 | 2593 | 6086 |
| e | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 4 | 9 | 20 | 47 | 107 | 253 | 582 | 1372 | 3175 |
| f | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 4 | 9 | 20 | 47 | 107 | 253 | 582 | 1372 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 12 | 28 | 64 | 150 | 348 | 814 | 1896 | 4430 | 10332 | 24128 |



|  | D1 | D2 | D3 | D4 | D5 | D6 | D7 | D8 | D9 | D10 |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| A | 8.3 | 10.7 | 9.4 | 10.7 | 10.1 | 10.6 | 10.3 | 10.5 | 10.4 | 10.5 |
| B | 25.0 | 21.4 | 25.0 | 23.3 | 24.7 | 24.0 | 24.5 | 24.2 | 24.4 | 24.3 |
| C | 16.7 | 21.4 | 20.3 | 21.3 | 21.0 | 21.3 | 21.1 | 21.2 | 21.2 | 21.2 |
| D | 25.0 | 25.0 | 25.0 | 25.3 | 25.0 | 25.3 | 25.1 | 25.3 | 25.1 | 25.2 |
| E | 16.7 | 14.3 | 14.1 | 13.3 | 13.5 | 13.1 | 13.3 | 13.1 | 13.3 | 13.2 |
| F | 8.3 | 7.1 | 6.3 | 6.0 | 5.7 | 5.8 | 5.6 | 5.7 | 5.6 | 5.7 |


| Node | D10 | Eigen |
| :---: | ---: | ---: |
| a | 10.5 | 0.234 |
| b | 24.3 | 0.545 |
| c | 21.2 | 0.475 |
| d | 25.2 | 0.564 |
| e | 13.2 | 0.296 |
| f | 5.7 | 0.127 |
|  |  |  |

$$
r=0.999992
$$

*This is called the power method (Hotelling, 1930). Requires matrix to have unique dominant eigenvalue to converge.

## Applications

- Playground status
- You may have many friends, but if they are themselves outcasts, it will not improve your status

- You could have just one friend, but if this is the most popular kid in the school, your status will be good
- Being connected to those in the know - could be valuable
- In principle, a better measure of exposure to what is flowing (cf $r$ and $s$ )
- Feeling well-grounded or anchored by circle of friends
- A measure of being in an in-crowd, a core, or dominant coalition


## Issues with eigenvector

- Can't use with disconnected networks
- In clumpy networks, it favors the nodes in the larger cliques
- It can fail as a measure of risk/exposure because it doesn't take into account the fact that an alter's high degree might be because of ties with nodes that ego is already connected to
- So shouldn't give that alter any weight, because they are not adding to exposure
- Many issues with directed data


## Directed Eigenvector

$$
l_{j}=\frac{1}{\lambda} \sum_{i} a_{i j} r_{i}
$$

- In principle, similar to degree:
- Out-eigenvector (known as right eigenvector) gives a high score to those who send to many people who themselves send to many people who ...
- If the relation is influences, then high score means you influence the influencers
- In-eigenvector (left eigenvector) gives high score to those who receive from people who receive from many people who receive from ...
- For the respects relation, a high score indicates you are respected by the well respected
- In practice, is often not calculable or gives wacky answers


$$
r_{i}=\frac{1}{\lambda} \sum_{j} a_{i j} r_{j}
$$

$$
l_{j}=\frac{1}{\lambda} \sum_{i} a_{i j} l_{i}
$$

## Beta centrality (aka Bonacich power, Bonacich 1987)

- Defined as: $\boldsymbol{p}=(I-\beta R)^{-1} R 1$

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \mathrm{R} 1=\text { rowSums (degree) } \\
& (\mathrm{I}-\mathrm{BR})^{-1} \text { rewritten as } \mathrm{R}^{+} \\
& \text {iff condition met. }
\end{aligned}
$$

- R is the adjacency matrix; $(I-\beta R)^{-1}$ is a new matrix derived from R
- $\beta$ is a parameter chosen by the user
- When $-1 / \lambda<\beta<1 / \lambda$, where $\lambda$ is largest eigenvalue of $R, p$ can be seen as the row sums of this sum of matrices:

$$
\begin{aligned}
& R^{+}=b^{0} R^{1}+b^{1} R^{2}+b^{2} R^{3}+b^{3} R^{4}+\ldots \\
& P=R^{+} 1 \quad\left(\text { (rowSums of } \mathrm{R}^{+}\right)
\end{aligned}
$$

$R^{+}$is no. of walks, wtd inversely by length, btw each pair of nodes
$R^{+} 1$ is a column vector giving the
sum of each row of $\mathrm{R}^{+}$

- R2 gives the number of walks of exactly 2 steps between every pair of nodes
- R3 gives the number of walks length 3 between all pairs of nodes, etc.
- Beta centrality measures \# of walks of all lengths, weighted inversely by length, that emanate from a node


## The $\beta$ parameter in beta centrality

$$
R^{+}=b^{0} R^{1}+b^{1} R^{2}+b^{2} R^{3}+b^{3} R^{4}+\ldots
$$

- When $\beta$ is 0 , beta centrality equals degree $\quad P=R^{+} 1$
- Only paths of length 1 (direct connections) matter
- As $\beta$ increases from 0 , longer paths are given increasing weight
- When $\beta$ is as close to $1 / \lambda$ as possible, beta centrality equals eigenvector centrality
- When $\beta$ gets larger than $1 / \lambda$, beta centrality becomes uninterpretable

| Degree | $\beta$ centrality |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| $\beta=0$ | Eigenvector |  |
| $\beta \approx 1 / \lambda$ |  |  |

## Issues with beta centrality

- Often highly related to degree
- How to choose beta?
- But ... it works great with directed graphs


## Directed beta centrality

- Beta centrality is the solution to the directed eigenvector problem.
- When it is possible to compute eigenvector centrality, running beta centrality with $\beta$ $\approx$ 1/lambda gives same result
- When it is not possible to compute eigenvector centrality, beta centrality is fine (except for disconnected graphs)
- Out-beta centrality
- Score measures number of walks of all lengths emanating from a node, weighted inversely by length
- Also indicates extent to which that the node sends to many nodes who themselves send to many nodes ...
- In-beta centrality
- Measures \# of walks of all lengths that arrive at a node, weighted inversely by length
- Also indicates extent to which node receives from nodes who themselves are targets


## Beta centrality on difficult graphs

- For network I, with beta $=0.8$, node 5 has the most power
- In net III (with beta $=0.8$ ), node a has most power followed by b, c, d and e in order.



## Bonacich Power Centrality: examples

$$
\beta=.25
$$


$\beta=-.25$


Why does the middle node have lower centrality than its neighbors when $\beta$ is negative?

Eigenvector: The extent to which a given node is connected to other well-connected nodes

## Closeness

- Sum of distances from node to all others
- Inverse measure of centrality
- Often interpreted as index of time-until-arrival of stuff flowing through network
- In gossip network, persons strong in closeness centrality hear things early



## describing networks

## position = centrality:



## harmonic, closeness

 centralityimportance $=$ being in "center" of the network

$$
\text { harmonic } \quad c_{i}=\frac{1}{n-1} \sum_{j \neq i} \frac{1}{d_{i j}}
$$



## closeness centrality formula

$$
\tilde{C}^{C}(i)=\left[\sum_{j=1}^{N} d(i, j)\right]^{-1}
$$

Normalized

$$
C^{C}(i)=\frac{\tilde{C}^{C}(i)}{N-1}
$$

All other nodes in the network

What happens to isolates?

## Closeness as marginals of distance matrix

| ID | a | b | c | d | e | f | g | h | i | j | k | l | m | n | o | p | q | r | s | sum |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| a | 0 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 4 | 5 | 4 | 6 | 3 | 7 | 62 |
| b | 1 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 4 | 5 | 4 | 6 | 3 | 7 | 61 |
| c | 2 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 3 | 4 | 3 | 5 | 2 | 6 | 52 |
| d | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 4 | 5 | 4 | 6 | 3 | 7 | 59 |
| e | 2 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 4 | 5 | 4 | 6 | 3 | 7 | 62 |
| f | 1 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 3 | 4 | 3 | 5 | 2 | 6 | 50 |
| g | 2 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 3 | 4 | 3 | 5 | 2 | 6 | 49 |
| h | 2 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 2 | 3 | 2 | 4 | 1 | 5 | 40 |
| i | 3 | 3 | 2 | 3 | 3 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 3 | 2 | 4 | 39 |
| j | 4 | 4 | 3 | 4 | 4 | 3 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 3 | 42 |
| k | 5 | 5 | 4 | 5 | 5 | 4 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 3 | 4 | 4 | 57 |
| l | 5 | 5 | 4 | 5 | 5 | 4 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 4 | 3 | 55 |
| m | 5 | 5 | 4 | 5 | 5 | 4 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 4 | 2 | 54 |
| n | 4 | 4 | 3 | 4 | 4 | 3 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 3 | 4 | 48 |
| o | 5 | 5 | 4 | 5 | 5 | 4 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 4 | 58 |
| p | 4 | 4 | 3 | 4 | 4 | 3 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 3 | 3 | 4 | 48 |
| q | 6 | 6 | 5 | 6 | 6 | 5 | 5 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 0 | 5 | 1 | 69 |
| r | 3 | 3 | 2 | 3 | 3 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 3 | 4 | 3 | 5 | 0 | 6 | 57 |
| s | 7 | 7 | 6 | 7 | 7 | 6 | 6 | 5 | 4 | 3 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 1 | 6 | 0 | 86 |
| sum | 62 | 61 | 52 | 59 | 62 | 50 | 49 | 40 | 39 | 42 | 57 | 55 | 54 | 48 | 58 | 48 | 69 | 57 | 86 | 1048 |



Average distance would be more interpretable

## Reciprocal Distance

```
    abc defghi j a b c d e f g h i j
a 0 1 1 1 2 3 4 5 4 5
b 10012123434
c 1 1 0 1 2 3 4 5 4 5
d 1 2 1 0 1 2 3 4 3 4
e 2 1 2 1 0 1 2 3 2 3
f 3 2 3 2 1 0 1 2 1 2
g4 3 4 3 2 1 0 1 2 1
h 5454 3 2 1 0 1 1
i 4 3 4 3 2 1 2 1 0 1
j 5454321110
\begin{tabular}{ccccccccccc} 
& a & b & c & d & e & f & g & h & i & j \\
a & 0.00 & 1.00 & 1.00 & 1.00 & 0.50 & 0.33 & 0.25 & 0.20 & 0.25 & 0.20 \\
b & 1.00 & 0.00 & 1.00 & 0.50 & 1.00 & 0.50 & 0.33 & 0.25 & 0.33 & 0.25 \\
c & 1.00 & 1.00 & 0.00 & 1.00 & 0.50 & 0.33 & 0.25 & 0.20 & 0.25 & 0.20 \\
d & 1.00 & 0.50 & 1.00 & 0.00 & 1.00 & 0.50 & 0.33 & 0.25 & 0.33 & 0.25 \\
e & 0.50 & 1.00 & 0.50 & 1.00 & 0.00 & 1.00 & 0.50 & 0.33 & 0.50 & 0.33 \\
f & 0.33 & 0.50 & 0.33 & 0.50 & 1.00 & 0.00 & 1.00 & 0.50 & 1.00 & 0.50 \\
g & 0.25 & 0.33 & 0.25 & 0.33 & 0.50 & 1.00 & 0.00 & 1.00 & 0.50 & 1.00 \\
h & 0.20 & 0.25 & 0.20 & 0.25 & 0.33 & 0.50 & 1.00 & 0.00 & 1.00 & 1.00 \\
i & 0.25 & 0.33 & 0.25 & 0.33 & 0.50 & 1.00 & 0.50 & 1.00 & 0.00 & 1.00 \\
j & 0.20 & 0.25 & 0.20 & 0.25 & 0.33 & 0.50 & 1.00 & 1.00 & 1.00 & 0.00
\end{tabular}
```

For undefined distances, we can define the reciprocal distance to be 0

## closeness centrality example

$$
\begin{gathered}
\mathrm{A} \\
C_{c}^{\prime}(A)=\left[\frac{\sum_{j=1}^{N} d(A, j)}{N-1}\right]^{-1}=\left[\frac{1+2+3+4}{4}\right]^{-1}=\left[\frac{10}{4}\right]^{-1}=0.4
\end{gathered}
$$

## Closeness in directed networks

- choose a direction
- in-closeness (e.g. prestige in citation networks)
- out-closeness
- usually consider only vertices from which the node $i$ in question can be reached



## Applications

- Any situation where the value of information (or the cost of infection) is a function of time
- Getting a disease before there is any treatment available
- Getting gossip before most people have already heard it
- Getting market information before other investors have heard it
- Nodes with the best closeness scores are often the ones to tap to learn what the network knows
- Picking a snitch/key informant/potential spy


## Closeness

## Closeness:

The extent to which a node is close from all other nodes

## Issues \& variants of closeness

- Only looks at shortest paths
- When graphs are disconnected, distances between some nodes are undefined
- What to do?
- One approach is average reciprocal distance (ARD)
- Replace entries dij of distance matrix with $1 / \mathrm{dij}$, and set 1 /dij to zero when dij is undefined
- Take the average across all other nodes $\operatorname{ARD}(i)=j \sum \frac{1}{d_{i j}}$
- Another approach is $k$-reach: the proportion of other a node can reach within $k$ steps


## Geodesic distance matrix

- How to get row or col sums when you have undefined distances?

Do the reciprocal $(1 /$ infinity $=0)$ or add large value.

| HOLLY | HOLLY BRAZEY CAROL PAM PAT JENNIE PAULINE ANN MICHAEL BILL LEE DON JOHN HARRY GERY STEVE BERT RUSS |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 0 |  | 2 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 |  |  | 1 |  | 2 |  |  |  |  |
| BRAZEY | 5 | 0 | 7 | 6 | 6 | 7 | 7 | 7 | 4 |  | 1 | 5 |  | 5 | 3 | 1 | 1 | 2 |
| CAROL | 2 |  | 0 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 4 |  |  | 3 |  | 4 |  |  |  |  |
| PAM | 3 |  | 2 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 5 |  |  | 4 |  | 5 |  |  |  |  |
| PAT | 1 |  | 1 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 3 |  |  | 2 |  | 3 |  |  |  |  |
| JENNIE | 2 |  | 2 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 4 |  |  | 3 |  | 4 |  |  |  |  |
| PAULINE | 2 |  | 1 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 4 |  |  | 3 |  | 4 |  |  |  |  |
| ANN | 3 |  | 2 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 5 |  |  | 4 |  | 5 |  |  |  |  |
| MICHAEL | 1 |  | 3 | 2 | 2 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 0 |  |  | 1 |  | 1 |  |  |  |  |
| BILL | 2 |  | 4 | 3 | 3 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 1 | 0 |  | 1 |  | 1 |  |  |  |  |
| LEE | 5 | 1 | 7 | 6 | 6 | 7 | 7 | 7 | 4 |  | 0 | 5 |  | 5 | 3 | 1 | 1 | 2 |
| DON | 1 |  | 3 | 2 | 2 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 1 |  |  | 0 |  | 1 |  |  |  |  |
| JOHN | 3 | 4 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 3 | 1 | 3 | 2 |  | 3 | 3 | 0 | 3 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 1 |
| HARRY | 1 |  | 3 | 2 | 2 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 1 |  |  | 1 |  | 0 |  |  |  |  |
| GERY | 2 | 3 | 4 | 3 | 3 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 1 |  | 2 | 2 |  | 2 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 1 |
| STEVE | 4 | 2 | 6 | 5 | 5 | 6 | 6 | 6 | 3 |  | 1 | 4 |  | 4 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 1 |
| BERT | 4 | 2 | 6 | 5 | 5 | 6 | 6 | 6 | 3 |  | 1 | 4 |  | 4 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| RUSS | 3 | 3 | 5 | 4 | 4 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 2 |  | 2 | 3 |  | 3 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 |



|  | 11 | 13 | W1 | W2 | W3 | W4 | W5 | W6 | W7 | W8 | W9 | S1 | S2 | S4 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 11 |  | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0.5 | 0.25 | 0.33 | 0.25 | 0.25 | 0.5 | 0 | 0.25 |
| 13 | 0 |  | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| W1 | 1 | 0 |  | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0.33 | 0.5 | 0.33 | 0.33 | 1 | 0 | 0.33 |
| W2 | 1 | 0 | 1 |  | 1 | 1 | 0.5 | 0.25 | 0.33 | 0.25 | 0.25 | 1 | 0 | 0.25 |
| W3 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 |  | 1 | 1 | 0.33 | 0.5 | 0.33 | 0.33 | 1 | 0 | 0.33 |
| W4 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 |  | 1 | 0.33 | 0.5 | 0.33 | 0.33 | 1 | 0 | 0.33 |
| W5 | 0.5 | 0 | 1 | 0.5 | 1 | 1 |  | 0.5 | 1 | 0.5 | 0.5 | 1 | 0 | 0.5 |
| W6 | 0.25 | 0 | 0.33 | 0.25 | 0.33 | 0.33 | 0.5 |  | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0.33 | 0 | 0.5 |
| W7 | 0.33 | 0 | 0.5 | 0.33 | 0.5 | 0.5 | 1 | 1 |  | 1 | 1 | 0.5 | 0 | 1 |
| W8 | 0.25 | 0 | 0.33 | 0.25 | 0.33 | 0.33 | 0.5 | 1 | 1 |  | 1 | 0.33 | 0 | 1 |
| W9 | 0.25 | 0 | 0.33 | 0.25 | 0.33 | 0.33 | 0.5 | 1 | 1 | 1 |  | 0.33 | 0 | 1 |
| S1 | 0.5 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0.33 | 0.5 | 0.33 | 0.33 |  | 0 | 0.33 |
| S2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |  | 0 |
| S4 | 0.25 | 0 | 0.33 | 0.25 | 0.33 | 0.33 | 0.5 | 0.5 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0.33 | 0 |  |

## K-Reach centrality

- Proportion of others that ego can reach by a path of $k$ or less
- 1-reach is just normalized degree centrality
- Highly interpretable. Holly can reach 65\% of the network in 2 steps, so she is a good influencer

|  | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 |
| ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
|  | $d 1$ | $d 2$ | $d 3$ | $d 4$ | $d 5$ | $d 6$ |
| HOLLY | 0.29 | 0.65 | 0.82 | 1.00 | 1.00 | 1.00 |
| BRAZEY | 0.18 | 0.29 | 0.41 | 0.71 | 0.94 | 1.00 |
| CAROL | 0.18 | 0.41 | 0.71 | 0.88 | 1.00 | 1.00 |
| PAM | 0.29 | 0.59 | 0.76 | 0.88 | 1.00 | 1.00 |
| PAT | 0.24 | 0.59 | 0.76 | 0.88 | 1.00 | 1.00 |
| JENNIE | 0.18 | 0.35 | 0.59 | 0.76 | 0.88 | 1.00 |
| PAULINE | 0.29 | 0.53 | 0.82 | 1.00 | 1.00 | 1.00 |
| ANN | 0.18 | 0.41 | 0.71 | 0.88 | 1.00 | 1.00 |
| MICHAEL | 0.29 | 0.59 | 1.00 | 1.00 | 1.00 | 1.00 |
| BILL | 0.18 | 0.29 | 0.59 | 1.00 | 1.00 | 1.00 |
| LEE | 0.18 | 0.29 | 0.41 | 0.71 | 0.94 | 1.00 |
| DON | 0.24 | 0.41 | 0.82 | 1.00 | 1.00 | 1.00 |
| JOHN | 0.18 | 0.59 | 1.00 | 1.00 | 1.00 | 1.00 |
| HARRY | 0.24 | 0.41 | 0.82 | 1.00 | 1.00 | 1.00 |
| GERY | 0.24 | 0.71 | 0.94 | 1.00 | 1.00 | 1.00 |
| STEVE | 0.29 | 0.41 | 0.71 | 0.94 | 1.00 | 1.00 |
| BERT | 0.24 | 0.35 | 0.47 | 0.94 | 1.00 | 1.00 |
| RUSS | 0.24 | 0.47 | 0.94 | 1.00 | 1.00 | 1.00 |

->tcamp = symmet(campnet)
Network|Centrality|Reach ~tcamp

## Betweenness

- Loosely, the extent to which a node is along the shortest paths of between all pairs of nodes

$$
b_{k}=\sum_{i, j} \frac{g_{i k j}}{g_{i j}}
$$

gij is number of geodesic paths from $i$ to $j$ gikj is number of geodesics from $i$ to $j$ that pass through $k$

- More correctly, bk is the share of geodesics between pairs of
 nodes that pass through $k$
- Often interpreted as control over flows (gatekeeping), correlated with power
- Also seen as index of frequency something reaches node


## formula

$$
\tilde{C}^{B}(i)=\sum_{j<k} \frac{d_{j k}(i)}{d_{j k}}
$$

$$
\begin{aligned}
& d_{j k} \text { \# of shortest paths between } j \text { and } k \\
& d_{j k}(i) \text { \# of shortest paths between } j \text { and } k \text { that go } \\
& \text { through } i
\end{aligned}
$$

## Normalized



Number of pairs of vertices excluding $i$

For directed graphs: when normalizing, we have ( $\mathrm{N}-1$ )*( $\mathrm{N}-2$ ) instead of ( $\mathrm{N}-1)^{*}(\mathrm{~N}-2) / 2$, because we have twice as many ordered pairs as unordered pairs.

## Betweenness

- Node $h$ has the highest betweenness



## Betweenness - cont.

- Often discussed in terms of identifying liaisons, gatekeepers, "secretary power"
- Global network cohesion is highly dependent on high betweenness nodes.
- (But) networks that contain high betweenness nodes are brittle
- Nodes with high betweenness and low degree are often overlooked by network members themselves
- Degree is highly visible, betweenness may not be



## Betweenness

- With betweenness, there is no need for separate in and out versions
- A node is between two others if it is along a directed path from one to the other
$F$ gets no points for being between E and $B$, because there is no directed path from E to B
- $B$ has only outgoing arrows, so no way to get to $B$


Betweenness in directed networks


## Betweenness in directed networks

- For example: for node 2 , the $(n-1)(n-2) / 2=5(5-1) / 2=10$ terms in the summation in the order of $13,14,15,16,34,35,36,45$, 46, 56 are

$$
\frac{1}{1}+\frac{0}{1}+\frac{0}{1}+\frac{0}{1}+\frac{0}{1}+\frac{1}{2}+\frac{0}{1}+\frac{0}{1}+\frac{0}{1}+\frac{0}{1}=1.5 .
$$

- Here the denominators are the number of shortest paths between pair of edges in the above order and the numerators are the number of shortest paths passing through edge 2 between pair of edges in the above order.


## Applications

- Often associated with power (Brass, 1984)

- High betweenness nodes (if they know they are in that position) can extract rents for passing things along or introducing people
- Betweenness works best with hard-to-form ties, like roads or trust ties
- Otherwise nodes can bypass the high betweenness node by connecting directly with others
- At a crossroads in the network. Paths may not be short, but flows are fairly certain to pass through the node

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## Duality of closeness \& betweenness

- Dependency matrix D , where $\mathrm{dij}=$ number of times* that i needs to go through $j$ to reach someone via a shortest path
- Column totals of $D$ equal betweenness times 2
- Row totals of $D$ equal closeness minus n-1

| 36.000 | 0.000 |
| ---: | ---: |
| 36.000 | 0.000 |
| 27.000 | 17.000 |
| 22.000 | 21.833 |
| 23.000 | 6.000 |
| 22.000 | 13.667 |
| 25.000 | 17.833 |
| 21.000 | 15.167 |
| 24.000 | 5.500 |
| 34.000 | 0.000 |
| 34.000 | 0.000 |


|  | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | Clo |
| ---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | 0.00 | 9.00 | 7.00 | 1.50 | 2.00 | 2.00 | 3.50 | 1.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 26.00 |
| 2 | 0.00 |  | 9.00 | 7.00 | 1.50 | 2.00 | 2.00 | 3.50 | 1.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 26.00 |
| 3 | 0.00 | 0.00 |  | 7.00 | 1.50 | 2.00 | 2.00 | 3.50 | 1.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 17.00 |
| 4 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 2.00 |  | 1.50 | 2.00 | 2.00 | 3.50 | 1.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 12.00 |
| 5 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 2.00 | 3.83 |  | 4.17 | 2.33 | 0.67 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 13.00 |
| 6 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 2.00 | 3.00 | 2.00 |  | 2.50 | 2.50 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 12.00 |
| 7 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 2.00 | 3.00 | 1.33 | 4.17 |  | 2.67 | 1.83 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 15.00 |
| 8 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 2.00 | 3.50 | 0.00 | 2.00 | 2.00 |  | 1.50 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 11.00 |
| 9 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 2.00 | 3.33 | 0.00 | 0.67 | 2.83 | 5.17 |  | 0.00 | 0.00 | 14.00 |
| 10 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 2.00 | 3.00 | 1.33 | 4.17 | 9.00 | 2.67 | 1.83 | 0.00 | 24.00 |  |
| 11 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 2.00 | 3.00 | 1.33 | 4.17 | 9.00 | 2.67 | 1.83 | 0.00 | 24.00 |  |

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## Betweenness of edges



Centrality indices are answers to the question "What characterizes an important node?"
The word "importance" has a wide number of meanings, leading to many different definitions of centrality.


A Betweenness


C Eigenvector


Closeness


D Degree

## Measures and type of network

| Graph | Degree | Eigenvector | Beta Centrality | Closeness | Betweenness |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Undirected | Ok | Ok | Ok | Ok | Ok |
| Directed | Ok | Very problematic | Ok | Problematic $^{\text {a }}$ | Ok |
| Valued | Ok | Ok | Ok | No $^{\text {b }}$ | No $^{\text {c }}$ |
| Disconnected | Ok | No | No | No | Ok |

${ }^{\text {a }}$ only a problem because directed graphs are often disconnected -- have unreachable nodes
${ }^{\mathrm{b}}$ there are ways to do it in ucinet, but not commonly accepted
${ }^{\text {c }}$ not possible in Ucinet, but in principle can be done easily with values that represent costs or distances

## check your understanding

- generally different centrality metrics will be positively correlated
- when they are not, there is likely something interesting about the network
- suggest possible topologies and node positions to fit each square

|  | Low <br> Degree | Low <br> Closeness | Low <br> Betweenness |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| High Degree |  |  |  |
| High Closeness |  |  |  |
| High <br> Betweenness |  |  |  |

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|  | Low <br> Degree | Low <br> Closeness | Low <br> Betweenness |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| High Degree |  | Embedded in cluster <br> that is far from the <br> rest of the network | Ego's connections <br> are redundant - <br> communication <br> bypasses him/her |
| High Closeness | Key player tied to <br> important/active <br> players | Probably multiple <br> paths in the <br> network, ego is near <br> many people, but so <br> are many others |  |
| High |  |  |  |
| Betweenness | Ego's few ties are <br> crucial for network <br> flow | Very rare cell. <br> Would mean that <br> ego monopolizes <br> the ties from a small <br> number of people to <br> many others. |  |

"model in which opinion flows only from the media to influentials, and then only from influentials to the larger populace is deprecated"

## Influentials, Networks, and Public Opinion Formation

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- classic information marketing
- message saturation
- degree is most important
broadcast influence
"large cascades of influence are driven not by influentials, but by a critical mass of easily influenced individuals."


## Influentials, Networks, and Public Opinion Formation

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- "network" (decentralized) marketing
- high-degree $=$ "opinion leader"
- high-degree alone = irrelevant
- a cascade requires a legion of susceptibles (a system-level property)
"influence is not really about the influencer as much about the susceptibles"




[^0]:    e.g., Mehra, A., Kilduff, M. and Brass, D.J., 2001. The social networks of high and low self-monitors: Implications for workplace performance. Administrative science quarterly, 46(1), pp.121-146.

