Temporal density of complex networks and ego-community dynamics

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- 2. Our method
- 3. Illustrations of our method

School contacts network

Twitter temporal network

Snapshots based detection/visualisation.



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This visualisation is not suitable for large graphs or large number snapshots

Another method of visualisation

Lines corresponds to nodes, colors to different communities.



A visualisation from **Intrinsically Dynamic Network Communities** by Mitra, Tabourier, Roth 2011₃

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Usually, real networks changes more smoothly...

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Detect communities in dynamic networks and visualise their evolution!

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It is not so easy to detect communities in dynamic networks and visualise their evolution

In this talk



Instead we consider ego-community evolution.

Node *u* is a centre of the ego-community.

Function $p_u: V \rightarrow [0, 1]$ assigns a probability for a node v be in the community of node u.

Red color means large probability, blue means small.



Many algorithms can provide such community structure

- 1 Eigenvector centrality
- 2 Personalised pagerank
- 3 Shi–Malik's normalised relaxed mincut
- 4 Pons–Latapy's Walktrap
- 5 Danisch–Guillaume–Le Grand's Carryover opinion
- 6 Heat propagation based methods
- 7 Kleinberg's HITS
- 8 ...

Complex networks from real world



Personalised pagerank can find good communities (even if they overlap) in real-world networks (DBLP, Youtube, Amazon)

Community membership identification from small seed sets Kloumann et Kleinberg, SIGKDD, 2014

Overlapping Community Detection Using Neighborhood-Inflated Seed Expansion

Whang, Gleich, Dhillon, 2015

Personalised pagerank

A, D : adjacency matrix, degree matrix $M = (D^{-1}A)^T$: transition matrix x_0 : initial probability distribution over nodes (seed selection) α : teleportation parameter $\Upsilon = x_0 \mathbf{1}^T$: teleportation matrix $\widehat{M} = \alpha M + (1 - \alpha)\Upsilon$: google matrix



Personalised pagerank is a vector r satisfies $r = \widehat{M}r$ The anatomy of a large-scale hypertextual Web search engine Brin and Page, 1998 By pagerank we find instantaneous ego-communities

(or ego-communities in static networks)

What about the dynamics?

Discrete dynamic graph models

Dynamic graphs

- Snapshots [Hopcroft et al., 2004, Leskovec et al., 2005],
- Time-varying graphs [Casteigts et al., 2012, Wehmuth et al., 2013]
- Link Streams [Viard, Latapy, and Magnien, 2016] illustrated below



Changes in these models are discrete.

1 Smooth the discrete input data (link stream)

- 2 Cut smoothed data into timeslices
- **3** Perform pagerank for all timeslices
- 4 Visualise

Typical dynamic dataset: stream of links

A node interacts with another node at time *t*.

а	Ь	t_1
С	b	t_2
d	С	t_3
а	b	t_4
d	b	t_5

...

Link stream between *a* and *b*



Time-density between *a* and *b*



Time-density between *a* and *b*



Time-density between *c* and *b*



Time-density between *a* and *b*



Time-density between c and b



Time-density between *a* and *c*



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Cut & pagerank























- 1. Cut the smoothed data into timeslices
- 2. For every timeslice perform a personalised pagerank using smoothed values as link weights.

Visualisation of ego-community dynamics

 $p_{u,v}(t)$: "probability" that a node v is in the ego-community of node u at time t.

 $p_{u,v}(t) = \mathbf{I}$

Proposition

Adjacency matrix A(t) is smooth $\Rightarrow p_{u,v}(t)$ is smooth.

Schema of the proof

Pagerank : $A(t) \mapsto \widehat{M}(t) \mapsto p_{u,v}(t)$ \widehat{M} is necessarily irreducible and aperiodic. Use Theorem 3.2 from **A Note on Perturbations of Stochastic Matrices** by Huppert et Willems, 2000

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DATASET: Primary school temporal network data

Release data: Sep 30, 2015

This data set contains the temporal network of contacts between the children and teachers used in the study published in BMC Infectious Diseases 2014, 14:695. The file contains a tab-separated list representing the active contacts during 20-second intervals of the data collection. Each line has the form "t i j Ci Cj", where i and j are the anonymous IDs of the persons in contact, Ci and Cj are their classes, and the interval during which this contact was active is [t - 20s, t]. If multiple contacts are active in a given interval, you will see multiple lines starting with the same value of t. Time is measured in seconds.

Terms and conditions

The data are distributed to the public under a Creative Commons Attribution-NonCommercial-ShareAlike license. When this data is used in published research or for visualization purposes, please cite the following papers:

242 nodes, 125 773 links

u is a fixed student from class "4A", the centre of ego-community*v* and *w* are others students

$$p_{u,v}(t) =$$

$$p_{u,w}(t) =$$

$$\dots \dots \dots$$

We sort these lines by values at the timestamp of interest.

Community dynamics visualisation

Lines correspond to students.

Columns are instantaneous ego-centred community structures $p_{u,t}(v)$ Sort by values at first timestamp.





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Towards a Twitter Observatory: A multi-paradigm framework for collecting, storing and analysing tweets Ian Basaille, Kirgizov, Éric Leclercq, Marinette Savonnet, and Nadine Cullot RCIS 2016

Dynamic community structure around **#telleurope** Sort by values at this timestamp.



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Temporal density approach for

- Visualisation/study of community evolution
- Event detection and description

Future

- 🕈 On-line data processing
- Better sorting (MDS, correlation based, etc)

Many thanks for your attention!

https://github.com/kerzol/ego-evolution

http://kirgizov.link http://eric-leclercq.fr . . .

Bonus slides!

Complexity

- k : number of timeslices
- *n* : number of nodes
- m : total number of links
- μ : maximal number of links between two nodes

Complexity

- Apply kernel method to smooth all link-presence functions (Binned FFT), make k timeslices $O(m(\mu + k \log k))$
- **2** Perform pagerank for all timeslices $\approx k \cdot O(m \log m)$

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in total... \approx O(km\log(km) + m\mu)
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Fast computation of kernel estimators

Raykar, Duraiswami, et Zhao, 2010

Using pagerank to locally partition a graph Andersen, Chung, Lang, 2007

Snapshot-based community dynamics



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Mapping change in large networks Rosvall, Bergstrom, 2010





Time 1

Better sorting ?





Sort by timestamp of maxima of every line

Sort by sum



α , teleportation parameter of pagerank



Small α means fast return to origins.

Visualisation





smoothing 600, $\alpha = 0.2$



smoothing 1200, $\alpha = 0.2$



smoothing 1200, $\alpha = 0.8$

smoothing 600, $\alpha = 0.8$