## Analisi delle Reti Sociali

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Grafi e Proprietà delle reti

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#### Web Mining ed Analisi delle Reti Sociali

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#### "Natural" Networks and Universality

- Consider many kinds of networks:
  - social, technological, business, economic, content,...
- These networks tend to share certain *informal* properties:
  - Iarge scale; continual growth
  - distributed, organic growth: vertices "decide" who to link to
  - interaction restricted to links
  - mixture of local and long-distance connections
  - abstract notions of distance: geographical, content, social,...
- Do natural networks share more *quantitative* universals?
- What would these "universals" be?
- How can we make them precise and measure them?
- How can we explain their universality?
- This is the domain of *social network theory*
- Sometimes also referred to as *link analysis*



## **Choosing the proper representation**

- •The choice of the proper network representation determines our ability to use network theory successfully.
  - In some cases there is a unique, unambiguous representation.
  - •In other cases, the representation is by no means unique.

•For example, for a group of individuals, the way you assign the links will determine the nature of the question you can study.

#### **CHOOSING A PROPER REPRESENTATION**



## The structure of adolescent romantic and sexual networks

If you connect those that have a sexual relationship, you will be exploring the sexual networks.

Bearman PS, Moody J, Stovel K. Institute for Social and Economic Research and Policy - Columbia University http://researchnews.osu.edu/archive/chainspix.htm

If you connect individuals based on their first name (*all Peters connected to each other*), you will be exploring what?

It is a network, nevertheless.

#### The key basic quantities

- Degree distribution: about connectivity
  - what is the typical degree in the network?
  - what is the overall distribution?
- Network diameter: about social distance
  - maximum (worst-case) or average?
  - exclude infinite distances? (disconnected components)
  - the small-world phenomenon
- Clustering : about social transitivity
  - to what extent that links tend to cluster "locally"?
  - what is the balance between local and long-distance connections?
  - what roles do the two types of links play?
- Connected components: about social partitioning
  - how many, and how large?

GRAPHOLOGY 1



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#### **GRAPHOLOGY** 2



protein-protein interactions, www

Analisi di reti soci Gall-GAaphi, metabolic networks



#### **Complete Graph**

(undirected)



$$A_{ij} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A_{ii} = 0$$
  $A_{i \neq j} = 1$   
 $L = L_{\max} = \frac{N(N-1)}{2}$   $< k >= N-1$ 

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## **Degree distribution**

- The degree of a vertex in a network is the number of edges incident on (i.e., connected to) that vertex.
- **p**<sub>k</sub> = the fraction of vertices in the network that have degree k.
- Equivalently, p<sub>k</sub> = the probability that a vertex chosen uniformly at random has degree k.
- A plot of p<sub>k</sub> for any given network can be formed by a histogram of the degrees of vertices.
- This histogram is the **degree distribution** for the network



## **Degree distribution**

## **Degree distribution** P(k): probability that a randomly chosen vertex has degree k

 $N_k = # nodes with degree k$  $P(k) = N_k / N \rightarrow plot$ 





Size of Cities

There is an equivalent number of people living in cities of all sizes!

#### After Bill enters the arena the average income of the public



#### **Degree distributions for six networks**



## Actor Connectivity (power law)



Days of Thunder (1990) Far and Away (1992) Eyes Wide Shut (1999)



Nodes: actors Links: cast jointly



 $N = 212,250 \text{ actors} \\ \langle \mathbf{k} \rangle = 28.78$ 

**P(k)** ~**k**<sup>-</sup>γ

 $\gamma = 2.3$ 



### **Science Citation Index (power law)**



\* citation total may be skewed because of multiple authors with the same name

## Sex-Web (power law)



**Nodes:** people (Females; Males) **Links:** sexual relationships



4781 Swedes; 18-74; 59% response rate. Liljeros et al. Nature 2001

A path is a sequence of nodes in which each node is adjacent to the next one

 $P_{i0,in}$  of length *n* between nodes  $i_0$  and  $i_n$  is an ordered collection of *n*+1 nodes and *n* links

$$P_n = \{i_0, i_1, i_2, \dots, i_n\} \qquad P_n = \{(i_0, i_1), (i_1, i_2), (i_2, i_3), \dots, (i_{n-1}, i_n)\}$$

•A path can intersect itself and pass through the same link repeatedly. Each time a link is crossed, it is counted separately

•A legitimate path on the graph on the right: **ABCBCADEEBA** 

• In a directed network, the path can follow only the direction of an arrow.



## Distance Between A and B?



#### **DISTANCE IN A GRAPH**



The *distance (shortest path, geodesic path)* between two nodes is defined as the number of edges along the shortest path connecting them.

\*If the two nodes are disconnected, the distance is infinity.

In directed graphs each path needs to follow the direction of the arrows.

Thus in a digraph the distance from node A to B (on an AB path) is generally different from the distance from node B to A (on a BCA path).



**Diameter:** the maximum distance between any pair of nodes in the graph.

**Average path length/distance** for a direct connected graph (component) or a strongly connected (component of a) digraph.

where  $I_{ii}$  is the distance from node *i* to node j

$$\langle l \rangle = \frac{1}{2L_{\max}} \sum_{i,j \neq i} l_{ij}$$

In an undirected (symmetrical) graph  $I_{ij} = I_{ji}$ , we only need to count them once

$$\left|l\right\rangle \equiv \frac{1}{L_{\max}} \sum_{i,j>i} l_{ij}$$
  $L_{\max} = \binom{N}{2} = \frac{N(N-1)}{2}$ 

## IT IS A SMALL WORLD



# Stanley Milgram found that the average length of the chain connecting the sender and receiver was of length 5.5.

But only a few chains were ever completed!

#### **CLUSTERING COEFFICIENT**

#### Clustering coefficient:

what portion of your neighbors are connected?

Node i with degree ki

\* C<sub>i</sub> in [0,1]





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*i=8:*  $k_8=2$ ,  $e_8=1$ ,  $TOT=2*1/2=1 \rightarrow C_8=1/1=1$ 

#### **CLUSTERING COEFFICIENT**

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Node i with degree k<sub>i</sub>



*i=4:*  $k_4=4$ ,  $e_4=2$ , TOTAL=4\*3/2=6  $\rightarrow C_4=2/6=1/3$ 

Degree distribution: P(k)

Path length:

**Clustering coefficient:** 



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## **Transitivity – the clustering coefficient**

An alternative definition of the clustering coefficient, also widely used, has been given by Watts and Strogatz [416], who proposed defining a local value

$$C_i = \frac{\text{number of triangles connected to vertex }i}{\text{number of triples centered on vertex }i}.$$
 (5)

For vertices with degree 0 or 1, for which both numerator and denominator are zero, we put  $C_i = 0$ . Then the clustering coefficient for the whole network is the average

$$C = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i} C_i. \tag{6}$$

#### **Basic statisics for some published networks**

	network	type	n	m	z	l	α	$C^{(1)}$	$C^{(2)}$	r	Ref(s).
social	film actors	undirected	449913	25516482	113.43	3.48	2.3	0.20	0.78	0.208	20, 416
	company directors	undirected	7673	55392	14.44	4.60	_	0.59	0.88	0.276	105, 323
	math coauthorship	undirected	253339	496489	3.92	7.57	_	0.15	0.34	0.120	107, 182
	physics coauthorship	undirected	52909	245300	9.27	6.19	_	0.45	0.56	0.363	311, 313
	biology coauthorship	undirected	1520251	11803064	15.53	4.92	_	0.088	0.60	0.127	311, 313
	telephone call graph	undirected	47000000	80 000 000	3.16		2.1				8, 9
	email messages	directed	59912	86300	1.44	4.95	1.5/2.0		0.16		136
	email address books	directed	16881	57029	3.38	5.22	_	0.17	0.13	0.092	321
	student relationships	undirected	573	477	1.66	16.01	_	0.005	0.001	-0.029	45
	sexual contacts	undirected	2810				3.2				265, 266
information	WWW nd.edu	directed	269504	1497135	5.55	11.27	2.1/2.4	0.11	0.29	-0.067	14, 34
	WWW Altavista	directed	203549046	2130000000	10.46	16.18	2.1/2.7				74
	citation network	directed	783339	6716198	8.57		3.0/-				351
	Roget's Thesaurus	directed	1022	5103	4.99	4.87	_	0.13	0.15	0.157	244
	word co-occurrence	undirected	460902	17000000	70.13		2.7		0.44		119, 157
technological	Internet	undirected	10697	31992	5.98	3.31	2.5	0.035	0.39	-0.189	86, 148
	power grid	undirected	4941	6594	2.67	18.99	_	0.10	0.080	-0.003	416
	train routes	undirected	587	19603	66.79	2.16	_		0.69	-0.033	366
	software packages	directed	1439	1 723	1.20	2.42	1.6/1.4	0.070	0.082	-0.016	318
	software classes	directed	1377	2213	1.61	1.51	_	0.033	0.012	-0.119	395
	electronic circuits	undirected	24097	53248	4.34	11.05	3.0	0.010	0.030	-0.154	155
	peer-to-peer network	undirected	880	1296	1.47	4.28	2.1	0.012	0.011	-0.366	6, 354
biological	metabolic network	undirected	765	3 686	9.64	2.56	2.2	0.090	0.67	-0.240	214
	protein interactions	undirected	2115	2240	2.12	6.80	2.4	0.072	0.071	-0.156	212
	marine food web	directed	135	598	4.43	2.05	_	0.16	0.23	-0.263	204
	freshwater food web	directed	92	997	10.84	1.90	-	0.20	0.087	-0.326	272
	neural network	directed	307	2359	7.68	3.97	_	0.18	0.28	-0.226	416, 421

### The giant connected component



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#### A "Canonical" Natural Network has...

- *Few* connected components:
  - often only 1 or a small number, indep. of network size
- Small diameter:
  - often a constant independent of network size (like 6)
  - or perhaps growing only logarithmically with network size or even shrink?
  - typically exclude infinite distances
- A *high* degree of clustering:
  - considerably more so than for a random network
  - in tension with small diameter
- A *heavy-tailed* degree distribution:
  - a small but reliable number of high-degree vertices
  - often of *power law* form