# Introduction to the Analysis and Visualisation of Complex Networks

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(this part includes some slides heavily based on material from Jure Leskovec @ Stanford University)



# Network Construction

# Raw Data are often <u>not</u> networks













# Feature matrices, relationship tables, time series, document corpora, image datasets, etc.

# **How to Construct Networks?**



# **Bi-partite and K-partite Networks**

- Most of the time, when we create a network, all nodes represent objects of the same type:
  - People in social nets, bus stops in route nets, genes in gene nets
- Multi-partite networks have multiple types of nodes, where edges exclusively go from one type to the other:
  - 2-partite student net: Students <-> Research projects
  - 3-partite movie net: Actors <-> Movies <-> Movie Companies



Network on the left is a social bipartite network. Blue squares stand for people and red circles represent organizations

# **One-Mode Projections: Example**

- Example: Bipartite student-project network:
  - Edge: Student i works on research project k

Students



**Research projects** 

- Two network projections of student-project network:
  - Student network: Students are linked if they work together in one or more projects
  - Project network: Research projects are linked if one or more students work on both projects
- In general: K-partite network has K one-mode network projections

# **One-Mode Projections: Example**

Example: Projection of bipartite student-project network onto the student mode:



- Consider students 3, 4, and 5 connected in a triangle:
  - Triangle can be a result of:
    - Scenario #1: Each pair of students work on a different project
    - Scenario #2: Three students work on the same project
  - One-mode network projections discard some information:
    - Cannot distinguish between #1 and #2 just by looking at the projection

### **Constructing One Mode Projections**

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- Two <u>example similarity measures</u>:
  - Common neighbors: #(shared neighbors of nodes)
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- Ratio of shared neighbors in the complete set of neighbors for 2 nodes
- Many possible variations, such as:
  - Weight representing strength of similarity

## **Example: Human Disease Network**











Kwang-Il Goh et al., The human disease network. PNAS, 104:21, 2007.

# Sets of Objects as a Network

- Even in a dataset with no explicit graph structure, we can use similarity measures to produce a network:
  - K-nearest neighbor graph (K-NNG) for a set of objects V is a directed graph with vertex set V:
    - Edges from each v ∈ V to its K most similar objects in V under a given similarity measure:
      - e.g., Cosine similarity for text
      - e.g., l<sub>2</sub> distance of CNN-derived features for images



### Time series analysis via network science: Concepts and algorithms

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• Ex: Visibility Graphs



Figure 4: On the left side, we present the plot of a toy time series and, on the right side, the network generated by the natural visibility algorithm. The purple lines in the time series plot represent the lines of visibility (and hence the edges of the graph) between data points.

• Ex: Quantile Graphs



Figure 8: Illustrative example of the quantile graph algorithm for Q = 4. On the left panel we present the plot of a toy time series and on the right panel the network generated by the quantile graph algorithm. The different colors in the time series plot represent the regions corresponding to the different quantiles. In the network, edges with larger weights represented by thicker lines correspond to the repeated transitions between quantiles.

• Ex: Correlation Networks



Figure 10: Illustrative example of the correlation network algorithm. On the left side we present the plot of a toy multivariate time series and on the right side the network generated by the correlation algorithm (using contemporaneous cross-correlation). The different colors represent the time series. Higher correlation values result in edges in the network with larger weights represented by thicker lines.

# **Example Application**

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# Novel features for time series analysis: a complex networks approach

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# **Example Application**



Fig. 1 Schematic diagram of the network based features approach to time series mining tasks

# Network Analysis (programming) Toolkits

# igraph

Igraph - https://igraph.org/ <sup>3</sup>/<sub>20</sub> igraph



- Open source and free, can be programmed in R, Python and C/C++
- Runs on Windows, Linux and MacOS
- Relies on other libraries for visualization



# igraph Documentation

- Official documentation:
  - R: https://igraph.org/r/doc/
  - Python: https://igraph.org/python/doc
  - C: https://igraph.org/c/doc/

- Tutorials:
  - R: https://kateto.net/netscix2016
  - Python: https://igraph.org/python/versions/latest/tutorial.html https://igraph.org/python/versions/latest/gallery.html
  - C: https://igraph.org/c/doc/igraph-Tutorial.html

# igraph demo

 Tutorial from NetSciX 2016 (Katherine Ognyanova) https://kateto.net/netscix2016

#### Network Analysis and Visualization with R and igraph

Katherine Ognyanova, www.kateto.net NetSciX 2016 School of Code Workshop, Wroclaw, Poland





Note: You can download all workshop materials here, or visit kateto.net/netscix2016.

This tutorial covers basics of network analysis and visualization with the R package igraph (maintained by Gabor Csardi and Tamas Nepusz). The igraph library provides versatile options for descriptive network analysis and visualization in R, Python, and C/C++. This workshop will focus on the R implementation. You will need an R installation, and RStudio. You should also install the latest version of igraph for R:

install.packages("igraph")

# NetworkX

NetworkX - https://networkx.org/



- Python library, relies on other libraries for visualization
- Runs on Windows, Linux and MacOS
- Can handle "large" networks
- Supports the main file formats for networks
- Supports all kinds of networks and complex systems, dynamic and hierarchical graphs



# **NetworkX** Documentation

- NetworkX Setwork Analysis in Python
  - https://networkx.org/documentation/stable/
    - Includes tutorial, reference and gallery



## NetworkX

• Tutorial from NetSci class (Pedro Ribeiro)

https://www.dcc.fc.up.pt/~pribeiro/clad2022/networkx.html

G = nx.karate\_club\_graph()
nx.draw(G, with\_labels=True)







# **Scientific Websites**

#### Authenticus: https://www.authenticus.pt/



# **Scientific Websites**

Connected Papers: https://www.connectedpapers.com/





Science mapping software tools: Review, analysis, and cooperative study among tools (Cobo, 2011)



DeepFruits: A Fruit Detection System Using Deep Neural Networks (Sa, 2016)

### Network Comparison and Network Dynamics

#### War Story - A paper on Network Dynamics and Patterns

David Aparicio, Pedro Ribeiro and Fernando Silva. **Graphlet-orbit Transitions (GoT): A fingerprint for temporal network comparison.** In *PloS One*, Vol. 13(10), e0205497, October, 2018.

#### RESEARCH ARTICLE

Graphlet-orbit Transitions (GoT): A fingerprint for temporal network comparison

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#### Abstract

Given a set of temporal networks, from different domains and with different sizes, how can we compare them? Can we identify evolutionary patterns that are both (i) characteristic and (ii) meaningful? We address these challenges by introducing a novel temporal and topological network fingerprint named Graphlet-orbit Transitions (GoT). We demonstrate that GoT provides very rich and interpretable network characterizations. Our work puts forward an extension of graphlets and uses the notion of orbits to encapsulate the roles of nodes in each subgraph. We build a transition matrix that keeps track of the temporal trajectory of nodes in terms of their orbits, therefore describing their evolution. We also introduce a metric (OTA) to compare two networks when considering these matrices. Our experiments show that networks representing similar systems have characteristic orbit transitions. GoT correctly groups synthetic networks pertaining to well-known graph models more accurately than competing static and dynamic state-of-the-art approaches by over 30%. Furthermore, our tests on real-world networks show that GoT produces highly interpretable results, which we use to provide insight into characteristic orbit transitions.

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Fig 2. GDV(v) obtained by enumerating all undirected graphlet-orbits of sizes 2 and 3 (A, B and C) touching v, and resulting  $Fr_G$  and  $GDD_G$  matrices for the complete subgraph census (GDV(v) is highlighted in gray in  $Fr_G$ ).

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Possible Graphlet-Orbit Transitions of node



**Fig 3.** All possible orbit transitions of 3-node undirected graphlets and corresponding orbit-transition matrix. Node *x* is the node being currently considered and black nodes are nodes in the same orbit as *x*.

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**Fig 4. Graphlet-orbit transitions of node** *x***.** Note that transitions to (and from) disconnected graphlets are not considered.

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Fig 10. Similarity matrices according to (a) motif-fingerprints' Euclidean distance (*ED*), (b) graphlet-degreeagreement (*GDA*) and (c) orbit-transition-agreement (*OTA*). Clustering is performed using hierarchical clustering with complete linkage.

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Fig 11. Orbit-transition matrices of (a) a collaboration network and a (b) physical interaction network for all 4-node orbits.

### Link Prediction

#### War Story A paper on Link Prediction

Miguel Araújo, Pedro Ribeiro and Christos Faloutsos **TensorCast: Forecasting with Context using Coupled Tensors** (*Best Paper Award*) *IEEE International Conference on Data Mining (ICDM*), pp. 71-80, IEEE, New Orleans, USA, November, 2017.

#### TensorCast: Forecasting with Context using Coupled Tensors

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Abstract—Given an heterogeneous social network, can we forecast its future? Can we predict who will start using a given hashtag on twitter? Can we leverage side information, such as who retweets or follows whom, to improve our membership forecasts? We present TENSORCAST, a novel method that forecasts time-evolving networks more accurately than current state of the art methods by incorporating multiple data sources in coupled tensors. TENSORCAST is (a) scalable, being linearithmic on the number of connections; (b) effective, achieving over 20% improved precision on top-1000 forecasts of community members; (c) general, being applicable to data sources with different structure. We run our method on multiple real-world networks, including DBLP and a Twitter temporal network with over 310 million non-zeros, where we predict the evolution of the activity of the use of political hashtags.

#### I. INTRODUCTION

If a group has been discussing the #elections on Twitter, with interest steadily increasing as election day comes, can we predict who is going to join the discussion next week? Intuitively, our forecast should take into account other hashtags (#) that have been used, but also user-user interactions such as followers and retweets.

Similarly, can we predict who is going to publish on a given conference next year? We should be able to make use of, not only the data about where each author previously published, but also co-authorship data and keywords that might indicate a chiff in interacts and research forum. Find interactions likely to occur in the future efficiently.

Using a *naive* approach, one would have to individually forecast every pair of users and entities - a prohibitively big number that quadratically explodes. How can one avoid quadratic explosion during forecasting? How can we obtain the K likely interactions without iterating through them all?

As a summary of our results, Figure 1a shows that TENSOR-CAST is able to achieve 20% more precision than competing methods on the task of predicting who is going to publish on which venue in 2015 using DBLP data. Figure 1b shows TENSORCAST scaling to hundreds of millions of non-zeros on TWITTER data.

We underline our main contributions:

- 1) **Effectiveness**: TensorCast achieves over 20% higher precision in top-1000 queries and double the precision when finding new relations than comparable alternatives.
- 2) Scalability : TENSORCAST scales well  $(E + N \log N)$  with the input size and is tested in datasets with over 300M interactions.
- 3) **Context-awareness:** we show how different data sources can be included in a principled way.
- Tensor Top-K: we show how to quickly find the K biggest elements of sums of three-way vector outer products under realistic assumptions.





Fig. 4. Overview of TENSORCAST.

# (Free) Book Sugestions

http://networksciencebook.com/



https://www.cs.cornell.edu/home/kleinber/networks-book/



# Intersections with many areas

#### For instance, "deep learning meets network science"

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# **Networks are everywhere!**





### Networks!