

Modules

Analysis of complex interconnected data

Slides mostly based on newman's book



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Quick Recap of Centrality Measures

- Degree Centrality
 - count the number of neighbours, ignores their importance
- Eigenvalue Centrality
 - consider importance but gives zero to nodes not in scc or its out component, in extreme case of an acyclic networks, e.g. citation networks, all nodes get zero score
- Katz Centrality
 - avoid zeros by giving everyone a basic importance
- PageRank
 - divide importance on how many connections it is passed over to
- HITS
 - \circ ~ consider two types of importance, hubs and authorities
- Closeness centrality
 - average how close you are to the rest
- Betweenness centrality
 - count what fraction of shortest paths pass through you

$$x_i = \sum_{j \in N(i)} 1$$

$$x_i = \alpha \sum_{j \in N(i)} x_j$$
, $\alpha = \frac{1}{\lambda^*(A)}$, $\lambda^*(A)$: largest eigenvalue of A

$$x_i = \alpha \sum_{j \in N(i)} x_j + 1 \;, \; \alpha < \frac{1}{\lambda^*(A)}$$

$$x_i = \alpha \sum_{j \in N(i)} \frac{x_j}{d_j} + 1 , \, \alpha < \frac{1}{\lambda^*(A)}$$

$$x_i = \alpha \sum_{j \in N(i)} y_j , y_i = \beta \sum_{j \in N(i)} x_j , \alpha \beta = \frac{1}{\lambda^* (A A^\top)}$$

$$x_i = \frac{1}{n-1} \sum_j \frac{1}{s_{ij}}$$
, s_{ij} : length of shortest path from *i* to j

$$x_i = \frac{1}{n^2} \sum_{jk} \frac{|i \in s_{jk}^i|}{|s_{jk}|} , s_{ij} \text{: set of shortest path from } i \text{ to } j$$

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Example Applications

Module identification in biological networks

- Protein complexes and functional modules in PPI networks (Spirin & Mirny, PNAS 2003)
 - protein complexes: proteins that interact to carry out a task as a single complex unit, e.g., RNA splicing
 - functional units: proteins that bind at different time to participate in a cellular process, e.g., communicating a signal from the surface of the cell to the nucleus

• Representation of the metabolic networks (R Guimerà & Amaral, Nature 2005)

> ultra-peripheral metabolites (that have all their connections inside their modules) have the highest evolutionary loss rate, whereas connector hubs (that connect to most of the other modules) are the most conserved across the species





Modules as Coarse Representation

Modules give a coarse-grained representation of the structure

Also referred to as meso-scale, cluster, communities, etc.





Clustering a.k.a Community Detection

Given a graph, how to cluster the nodes into modules?



Common formulations:

• vector or a function:

 $C \in [1...k]^n$ $C_i \in [1..k] \text{ gives cluster}$ index of node *i*

> • Set of disjoint sets: $C = \{C_1, C_2...C_k\}$

> > C_i gives set of nodes belonging to cluster i

 $C_i \cap C_j = \emptyset \,\forall i \neq j$ $\cup_1^k C_i = V : \text{set of all nodes}$

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Spectral clustering: Laplacian Matrix

Uses the relation between connectivity & Laplacian matrix

Recall:

Laplacian Matrix: L = D - A

A: adjacency matrix D: diagonal matrix of degrees

[[3 -1 -1 -1 0]		[[30000]	$[[0\ 1\ 1\ 1\ 0]$
[-1 3 -1 0 -1]		[03000]	$[1\ 0\ 1\ 0\ 1]$
[-1 -1 4 -1 -1]		$[0\ 0\ 4\ 0\ 0]$	$[1\ 1\ 0\ 1\ 1]$
[-1 0 -1 2 0]		$[0\ 0\ 0\ 2\ 0]$	$[1\ 0\ 1\ 0\ 0]$
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L	example	D	A

L is symmetric & positive-semidefinite

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Spectral clustering: Laplacian Spectrum

Uses the relation between connectivity & Laplacian matrix

- $Lu = \lambda u$: Eigenvalues of Laplacian Matrix
- We have n eigenvalues which we call **Laplacian Spectrum**:

 $0 = \lambda_0 \le \lambda_1 \le \lambda_2 \le \ldots \le \lambda_n$

- λ_0 is always zero since we have L(1,1...1) = 0: why?
- $0 = \lambda_0 = \lambda_1 = \lambda_2 = ... = \lambda_k \Rightarrow k$ is number of connected components
- Largest is bounded by twice the maximum degree in G
- $E = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i} d_{i} = \frac{1}{2} Tr(L) = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i} \lambda_{i}$
- Spectral gap: smallest nonzero eigenvalue
- Fiedler vector: eigenvector corresponding to the spectral gap
- Spectral ordering: Fiedler vector sorted
- Laplacian Spectrum relates to graph connectivity & clustering

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Spectral clustering: Laplacian Matrix & Smoothness

For any function on a graph we have

$$x \in \mathbb{R}^n \Rightarrow x^{\mathsf{T}}Lx = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{ij} A_{ij} (x_i - x_j)^2$$

Measures how much the value of f is smooth over edges, i.e. the difference of values for connecting nodes

How to find modules?

Find *x* that give smoothest results, i.e, minimizes this

Consider function $x : i \mapsto \mathbb{R}$ that maps vertices to a value X_4 x_3 x_2 x_1 x_8 x_{10} x_0 х x_{12} $x = [x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n]$

$$x^{\mathsf{T}}Lx = x^{\mathsf{T}}Dx - x^{\mathsf{T}}Ax = \sum_{i} d_{i}x_{i}^{2} - \sum_{ij} x_{i}x_{j}A_{ij} = \frac{1}{2} [\sum_{i} d_{i}x_{i}^{2} - 2\sum_{ij} x_{i}x_{j}A_{ij} + \sum_{i} d_{i}x_{i}^{2}] = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{ij} A_{ij}(x_{i} - x_{j})^{2}$$

See this for more details.



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Spectral clustering: Graph Cut

Minimize:
$$x^{\top}Lx = \frac{1}{2}\sum_{ij}A_{ij}(x_i - x_j)^2$$

• Cut edges
$$=\frac{1}{4}x^{\mathsf{T}}Lx$$
, why?

How to enforce balanced clusters?

Minimize given $x_i \in \{+1, -1\}, \sum x_i = 0$

That is having the same number of nodes in each cluster



See this for more details.

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Spectral clustering: Graph Ratio Cut

Minimize:
$$x^{\mathsf{T}}Lx = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{ij} A_{ij}(x_i - x_j)^2$$

Given $x_i \in \{+1, -1\}, \sum_{i} x_i = 0$
Relax $\Rightarrow x_i \in \mathbb{R}, \sum_{i} x_i^2 \stackrel{i}{=} n$, then
 $Min \frac{1}{4} x^{\mathsf{T}}Lx = \frac{1}{4} nv_1^{\mathsf{T}}Lv_1 = \frac{1}{4} n\lambda_1$

- Second smallest eigenvalue
 ⇒ sparsest ratio cut
- Signs of corresponding **eigenvector**



See <u>this</u> for more details.

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Spectral clustering: Normalized Cut



Further reading? See this

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Knn: the first four eigenvalues are 0, and the corresponding eigenvectors are cluster indicator vectors since clusters form disconnected parts in the k-nearest neighbor graph

fully connected graph: wighted by similarity, the first eigenvector is the constant vector. The following eigenvectors carry the information about the clusters.



Further reading? See this

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Objectives for quality of a community

We can define the community detection either **globally** or **locally** and have global or local algorithms. Local algorithms are the choice when really with graphs that do not fit in memory.



Globally-defined quality function to partition the whole network

Gives sets of sets, set of all clusters, usually disjoint and covering the full data



Locally defined quality function for one subset of nodes in a network

Gives one set of nodes belonging to the same cluster



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Globally-defined quality function to partition the whole network

• **Q-modularity** (Newman 2003)

$$Q = \frac{1}{2m} \sum_{ij} \left(A_{ij} - \frac{d_i d_j}{2m} \right) \delta(C_i, C_j)$$

Most common representatives

m= total edges in the graph $d_i: \text{ degree of nodes i}$ $C_i: \text{ cluster index that node i belongs to}$ $\delta(x, y) = 1 \iff i = j$



S: a set of nodes in one cluster

Locally defined quality function for one subset of nodes in a network

• **Conductance** (Sinclair & Jerrum 1989) $f(S) = \frac{c_S}{2m_S + c_S}$

$$= 3/(2*7+3)$$

In the example

$$(S) = \frac{c_S}{2m_S + c_S} + \frac{c_S}{2(m - m_S) - c_S}$$

= 3/(2*7+3)+ 3/(2*(12)+3)

 C_S = cut size: number of edges going out of module m_S = module size: number of edges inside module $2m_S + c_S = \text{vol}(S) = \text{sum of degrees for nodes in S}$

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Locally defined objectives



Defining and evaluating network communities based on ground-truth (Yang, J., Leskovec, J., Knowledge and Information Systems, 2015)

- Community detection from a seed node
 - Measure proximity of nodes from seed using random walk
 - Expand from the closest node $\left(\frac{r_i}{d_i}\right)$, and compute the objective for every first k nodes
 - Local optima of objective (e.g. conductance) correspond to detected communities



Defining the **Global** Modular Structure of Networks

- Number of links between them is more than chance
 - $\circ \quad Modularity \ Q \ (\text{Newman \& Grivan, Phys Rev E, 2004})$
 - FastModularity (Clauset, Phys Rev E 2005); Louvain (Blondel et al., J Stat Mech Theory Exp, 2008)
- Within them a random walk is more likely to trap
 - Walktrap (Pons & Latapy, ISCIS 2005)
- Coding gives efficient compression of any random walk
 - Infomap (Rosvall & Bergstrom, PNAS 2008; PloS One 2010)
- Follow their closest leader
 - TopLeader



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TopLeaders: K-medoid for graphs

- Iteratively assigns nodes to leaders, selects leaders
 - Leader: central member in community
 - Community: set of followers surrounding a leader
 - Assigning followers to closest leader based on neighbourhoods
- Initialization requires k (central nodes with few neighbours in common)



- Also identifies outliers and hubs in the network
- Closeness measure based on diffusion of innovation

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First community detection algorithm

A divisive hierarchical clustering

(Girvan and Newman, PNAS 2002)

- Calculate the betweenness for all edges in the network 1.
- 2. Remove the edge with the highest betweenness
- 3. Recalculate betweennesses for all edges affected by the removal
- Repeat from step 2 until no edges remain 4.
- 5. When to stop? Where to cut the dendrogram?







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the infamous Karate club dataset https://networkkarate.tumblr.com/



A divisive hierarchical clustering



Recursively remove **bridges**, edges with high edge-betweenness

In the resulted dendrogram, evaluate M for flat modules obtained at different levels

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How to define M?

Q-modularity: goodness of a global partition

Originally proposed to know where to cut the dendrogram, but we optimize this directly in practice

Measure the difference between the fraction of edges that are within the clusters and the expected such fraction if the edges were randomly distributed when degrees are fixed, i.e. using the configuration model as the null model



m= total edges in the graph $d_i: \text{ degree of nodes I}$ $C_i: \text{ cluster index that node i belongs to}$ $\delta(x, y) = 1 \iff i = j \text{ {Kronecker delta}}$

 $Q \leq 1$ Rule of thumb: Q > 0.3indicates strong communities

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$$Q = \frac{1}{2m} \sum_{ij} \left(A_{ij} - \frac{d_i d_j}{2m} \right) \delta(C_i, C_j) \qquad \stackrel{m_{d_i}}{\underset{C_i}{\overset{C_i}{C_i}{\overset{C_i}{}{\overset{C_i}{\overset{C_i}{\overset{C_i}{\overset{C_i}{\overset{C_i}{\overset{C_i}{\overset{C_i}{\overset{C_i}{\overset{C_i}{\overset{C_i}{\overset{C_i}{\overset{C_i}{\overset{C_i}{\overset{C_i}{\overset{C_i}{\overset{C_i}{}}$$

Expected fraction of

edges within clusters

configuration model

by chance, i.e. in

m= total edges in the graph d_i : degree of nodes i C_i : cluster index that node i belongs to $\delta(x, y) = 1 \iff i = j$ {Kronecker delta}

fraction of edges between cluster k and l

$$E_{kl} = \sum_{i \in c_k, \ j \in c_l} \frac{A_{ij}}{2m}$$

Fraction of

clusters

edges within

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Modularity optimization: a an agglomerative hierarchical clustering (Newman, Phys. Rev. E 2004)

- 1. Start from every node a cluster
- 2. Initialize *E* as the adjacency matrix
- 3. Merge two cluster that give the highest gain in Q:

$$\Delta Q = 2(E_{ij} - E_i E_j)$$

- 1. Update the *E* by merging together the rows and columns corresponding to the joined communities
- 2. Go to step 3 until no increase in Q



Modularity optimization

- Divisive hierarchical clustering (Girvan and Newman, PNAS 2002)
 - Removes the edge with highest betweenness
 - All pairs shortest paths: expensive to compute
 - can be approximated but still not scalable
- Agglomerative hierarchical clustering (Newman, Phys. Rev. E 2006)
 - Start from every node a cluster, and merge
 - $\mathcal{O}(n(m+n))$: n, m: number of nodes and edges
 - With heap based data structure $\Rightarrow \mathcal{O}(m \log n)$ (Clauset et al., 2004)

⇒ FastModularity

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Louvain, another agglomerative method



Agglomerative method tends to produce super-communities => go Louvain

$$Q = \sum_{k} \sum_{ij \in C_{k}} \frac{A_{ij}}{2m} - \frac{d_{i}}{2m} \frac{d_{j}}{2m} \implies Q = \sum_{k} \sum_{ij \in C_{k}} W_{ij} - W_{i.} W_{j.} \text{ where } W = \frac{1}{2m} A$$

W_{ij} : normalized weight of the edge from node *i* to node j

Each node its own cluster

Move nodes to neighbouring cluster (through the links) with maximum gain Aggregate clusters as nodes Gain of adding $\Delta O = 2 \sum W_{ii} - W_i$

Repeat

Gain of adding node *i* to community k is
$$\Delta Q = 2 \sum_{j \in k} W_{ij} - W_{i.}W_{j.}$$

 $\mathcal{O}(n \log n)$: very fast and can be used for large graphs

(Blondel et al. Journal of Statistical Mechanics, 2008)

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Modularity optimization: limitations

very different divisions of the network can have the same Q modularity

Resolution limit, the inability to see communities in a network if they are too small, relative to the size of the network as a whole

$$\Delta Q = \frac{1}{2m} - E_i E_j > 0 \iff E_i E_j > 2m$$

modularity maximization will fail to distinguish these groups as separate communities if the product of the sums of their degrees is less than twice the number of edges in the entire network



E.g. 5000 edges, can not detect degree sum less than 100

Overlap, hierarchy, periphery





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Link Clustering

Find overlapping clusters naturally by clustering edges instead of nodes



The similarity of a link pair is determined by the neighbourhood of the nodes connected by them.

Ahn YY, Bagrow JP, Lehmann S. Link communities reveal multiscale complexity in networks. nature. 2010 Aug;466(7307):761-4.

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Evaluating the Modular Structure of Networks

Given different algorithms which one to choose?



We can do external and/or internal/relative evaluation

- External Evaluation: Compare performances on benchmark datasets with known true clusters
 - useful for designing algorithms
- Internal Evaluation: use a quality index to pick an algorithm for datasets, e.g. Q-modularity
 - useful when applied to real world graph with unknown clusters
 - see <u>here</u> for comparison of Q with some alternatives

External Evaluation of Community Detection: a common practice



For this comparison we need an agreement measure that gets two clusterings and quantifies how much they agree.

Clusterings Agreement Measures

A measure of agreement for clusterings quantifies how much they agree.



There are 3 main families:

- Set matching
- Information theoretic
- Pair counting

Clusterings Agreement Measures: Set Matching family

Based on a one-2-one matching between clusters in the two partitioning



example:



Which one of U_1 and U_2 better agrees with *V*:

 $A(U_1, V) > A(U_2, V)$

"problem of matching" since it only compares the best matched clusters

Read more <u>here</u>

Clusterings Agreement Measures: Information theoretic family Examples: Variation of Information (VI), Normalized Mutual Information (NMI)

Consider all the **pairwise overlaps** between clusters as a joint distribution then define joint entropy and mutual information.

 n_{ij} : overlap size between cluster *i* and *j*

 $H(U,V) = -\sum_{k}\sum_{r}\frac{n_{ij}}{n}\log\frac{n_{ij}}{n}$

$$H(U) = -\sum_{k} \frac{n_{i.}}{n} \log \frac{n_{i.}}{n}$$

$$NMI = \frac{I(U, V)}{\frac{1}{2}[H(U) + H(V)]}$$
$$NMI = \frac{H(U, V) - H(U) - H(V)}{\frac{1}{2}[H(U) + H(V)]}$$



Clusterings Agreement Measures: Pair counting family

Examples: Jaccard, Rand Index, F-measure, Adjusted Rand Index (ARI)



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Consider the number of **pairs of datapoints** which are in the **same or different clusters** in the two clusterings then compute F-measure

We can derive these also from the all the pairwise overlaps between clusters [which is used by information theoretic measures]





For example we can compute TP as:

$$\mathbf{P} = \begin{pmatrix} 12 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 6 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 11 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$$
$$ARI = \frac{\sum_{ij} \binom{n_{ij}}{2} - \sum_{i} \binom{n_{i}}{2} \sum_{j} \binom{n_{.j}}{2} / n^{2}}{1/2 [\sum_{i} \binom{n_{.i}}{2} + \sum_{j} \binom{n_{.j}}{2}] - \sum_{i} \binom{n_{.j}}{2} \sum_{j} \binom{n_{.j}}{2} / n^{2}}$$

Read more here

Generalization: Linking the two families

Both pair counting and information theoretic measures are quantifying dispersion in the confusion/contingency table

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$$\begin{array}{c}
\mathbf{B} \quad \mathbf{G} \quad \mathbf{R} \quad \mathbf{Y} \quad \Sigma \\
\mathbf{B} \quad \mathbf{12} \quad 6 \quad 0 \quad 0 \quad \mathbf{18} \\
\mathbf{R} \quad 0 \quad 0 \quad \mathbf{11} \quad 0 \quad \mathbf{11} \\
\mathbf{Y} \quad 0 \quad 0 \quad 0 \quad 5 \quad 5 \\
\Sigma \quad \mathbf{12} \quad 6 \quad \mathbf{11} \quad 5 \quad \mathbf{34}
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\Sigma \quad \mathbf{12} \quad 6 \quad \mathbf{11} \quad 5 \quad \mathbf{34}
\end{array} \quad \mathbf{A} = \frac{\varphi(\mathbf{18}) - \varphi(\mathbf{12}) - \varphi(\mathbf{6})}{\varphi(\frac{\mathbf{18}}{\mathbf{34}} \times \frac{\mathbf{12}}{\mathbf{34}}) + \varphi(\frac{\mathbf{18}}{\mathbf{34}} \times \frac{\mathbf{6}}{\mathbf{34}}) + \varphi(\frac{\mathbf{18}}{\mathbf{34}} \times \frac{\mathbf{11}}{\mathbf{34}}) + \dots \\
\text{Subsumes pair counting} \quad \Phi(x) = \begin{pmatrix} x \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow \quad \hat{A} = \mathbf{ARI} \quad \mathbf{Adjusted Rand Index} \\
\text{Subsumes information theoretic} \quad \Phi(x) = x \log(x) \Rightarrow \quad \hat{A} = \mathbf{NMI} \quad \begin{array}{c} \text{Normalized Mutual} \\ \text{Information} \end{array} \quad \text{ArI is more robust} \\
\text{or changes in number of clusters} \\
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Read more <u>here</u> & <u>here</u>

External Evaluation

Which agreement measure to choose?

either ARI and NMI, both are quantifying dispersion in the contingency table

- ARI is more robust to changes in number of clusters and is a better choice when number of cluster varies too much
- NMI tends to increase with number of clusters even when clusters are random

Read more <u>here</u>

Rand - NMI - VI - Jaccard - AMI -

Which benchmarks to use?

There are few small **real world benchmarks** with known clustering, as well as large ones with attributes closely related to known clustering that we use as a proxy for ground-truth (e.g. venues papers are published in for citation graph). But we often mostly evaluate algorithms in a controlled setting with **synthetic graph generators that have builtin ground-truth**, e.g. <u>SBM</u>, LFR or FARZ where we can control how well separated the clusters are [difficulty of the task]



Matrix Formulation of Clusters for Overlapping Clusters

• Vector or a function:

 $C \in [1...k]^n$ $C_i \in [1..k] \text{ gives cluster}$ index of node *i*

• Set of disjoint sets: $C = \{C_1, C_2...C_k\}$

 C_i gives set of nodes belonging to cluster i

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Membership Matrix:
 C ∈ ℝ^{n×k}
 C_{ik} gives the degree to which node *i* belonging to cluster k

 $(UU^{\mathsf{T}})_{ij}$: how many clusters node i and j appeared together $(U^{\mathsf{T}}U)_{ij}$: how many nodes clusters i and j have in common

