





SSRM: Structural Social Role Mining for Dynamic Social Networks

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Motivation

- Role: an important concept
 - Used for studying many social issues
- Defining the concept of role in network science.
- Define roles?
- Detect roles?
- What we get by roles in SNs.
 - Changes?
 - Effects?
- Many attempts to study:
 - Influential people
 - Influence/belief propagators
 - Trustworthy individuals
 - expert

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Problem Definition

Society \rightarrow Graph \rightarrow Social Network





- Structural Social Role Mining (SSRM) Framework
 - General Framework
 - Study roles and their effects
 - define roles
 - methods to identify roles

Background

- Definitions of Role
 - "A node role is a subjective characterization of the part it plays in a network structure." (Scripps, Tan, Esfahanian 2007)
 - "Rights and duties attached to a given status." (Goffman 1959)
 - Social Role: set of factors in an individual's behaviours (Golder and Donath 2004)
 - Skills
 - Privileges
 - Responsibilities
 - The mixture of allowances and constraints, combined with the choices the individual as part of a social structure (Golder and Donath 2004)

Background

- Role Theory (Biddle 1968)
 - Integrate works of role
 - Role theory:
 - Functional role theory
 - Structural role theory
 - A mathematical model
 - Task: set of jobs toward a goal
 - Position: title in the social structure
 - Person: set of attributes
 - Organizational role theory
 - Cognitive role theory



Related Work

- Explicit vs. non-explicit roles (Forestier, Stavrianou, Velcin, Zighed 2012)
 - Non-explicit
 - Explicit e.g. expert
- Identify expert in Java forums (Zhang, Ackerman, Adamic, WWW 2007)
 - # replies posted (# answers)
 - *#* people replied to (*#* indegree)
- Identify influentials in blogs (Agarwal, Liu, Tang, Yu, WSDM 2008)

Related Work

- Roles in online discussion forums (Golder and Donath 2004)
 - Celebrity
 - Newbie
 - Lurker
 - Flamer, troll, ranter
- Community-based roles (Scripps, Tan, Esfahanian, SNA-KDD 2007)
 - Community-metric
 - Based on cliques
 - \circ roles
 - Ambassador
 - Big fish
 - Loner
 - Bridges

Contributions

- Defining a set of roles
 - Context dependent
 - Based on social facts
- Studying patterns of role changes
- Show the mutual relation
 - Role change
 - Community events
- Define new measure
 - LBC
 - CBC
- Compare BC, CBC, and LBC

SSRM Framework

• Structural Social Role Mining

- Structural: structural properties of the network
- Social Role: roles of individuals in social networks
- Mining: defining and extracting

- Two fundamental assumptions:
 - 1. Role-taking behaviour
 - 2. Existence of *communities*







SSRM Roles Definition

- Set of fundamental roles
 - Based on real sociological observations
- [definition2.] Leader important individual in a community
- [definition3.] Outermost least significant individual in a community
- [definition4.] Outsider does not belong to any community
- [definition5.] Mediator

important individual in connecting multiple communities.

- Inclusive mediator
- Exclusive mediator (also outsider)



SSRM Role Identification

- Outlier
 - Not affiliated with a community.

- Leader & Outermost
 - Choose a metric (M), i.e. a centrality measure
 - Compute node scores
 - Rank nodes
 - Extract leaders and outermosts



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SSRM Role Identification

- Mediator
 - Connects multiple communities
 - How to measure?
 - MedExtractor
- Betweenness Centrality (BC)?
 - Define new measure:
 - Leader Betweenness Centrality (LBC)
 - Community betweenness Centrality (CBC)



SSRM Role Identification (mediator)



LBC(A) = 1 $LBC(B, v_1, v_2, v_3, u_1, u_2, u_3) = 0$

CBC(A) = 7 CBC(B) = 27 $CBC(v_1, v_2, v_3, u_1, u_2, u_3) = 3$ $CBC(l_1, l_2) = 3.$

SSRM Role Identification (mediator)

Community • Discussion on CBC Community CBC(R) = 11**Community 4** CBC(S) = 9

SSRM Role Identification (mediator)

• Normalized CBC



$$NCBC(R) = \frac{11}{12}$$
$$NCBC(S) = \frac{9}{3}$$

SSRM Role Identification (measures)

- variety of communities connected through a node:
 - Diversity Score
 - DS_count(v)
 - DS_pair(v)



Case Study: DataSet intro.

- Enron Email Dataset
 - Real email dataset
 - From Enron Corp.
 - Released by FERC in 2002
 - Investigations on Enron
 Scandal

- Enron Communication Network
 - Emails in 2001 in each month
 - 12 timeframes
 - Total 285 nodes, 23559 edges
 - At least one email in each month: an edge
 - Unweighted, undirected
 - Communities found by Local
 Community Mining Alg. (Chen,
 Zaiane, and Goebel 2009)

Case Study: Enron

- Identifying Leaders and Outermosts
 - Candidate metrics:
 - degree centrality
 - closeness centrality





- $M(v) > \mu + 2\sigma \rightarrow$ leader
 - $M(v) < \mu 2\sigma \rightarrow \text{ outermost}$

Case Study: Enron

- Identifying Mediators
 - MediatorScore(v) = NCBC(v) * DS(v)
 - More like power law
 - Use **MedExtractor** Algorithm
 - Use distribution properties
 - Gaps
 - 80-20 rule











Leader → Important Position

email	position
tana.jones@enron.com	Senior Legal Specialist
jeff.dasovich@enron.com	Executive/Director for State Government Affairs
james.steffes@enron.com	Vice President
richard.shapiro@enron.com	VP regulatory affairs (Enron'stop lobbyist)
dsteffes@enron.com	James Steffes
marie.heard@enron.com	Lawyer
louise.kitchen@enron.com	President of Enron Online
susan.mara@enron.com	California director of Regulatory Affairs
mary.hain@enron.com	In house Lawyer
janel.guerrero@enron.com	An employee in government affairs department
john.lavorato@enron.com	CEO, Enron America
alan.comnes@enron.com	Director Government and Regulatory Affairs
billy.lemmons@enron.com	Vice President
steven.kean@enron.com	VP and Chief of staff
lynn.blair@enron.com	Manager
ehaedicke@enron.com	Managing director, Legal
kate.symes@enron.com	Trader
audrey.robertson@enron.com	Transwestern Pipeline Company

Table1. Leaders found in the Enron communication network and their position in the organization.

Mediator \rightarrow Critical position

email	position
jeff.dasovich@enron.com	Executive/Director for State Government Affairs
cheryl.johnson@enron.com	Minority Counsel
rhonda.denton@enron.com	Lawyer
ldenton@enron.com	Lawyer
tim.belden@enron.com	Head of Enron's West Coast Trading Desk in Portland Oregon
shelley.corman@enron.com	VP, regulatory affairs
susan.scott@enron.com	Assistant trader
kam.keiser@enron.com	Employee
L.nicolay@enron.com	Senior Director Regulatory Affairs
kenneth.lay@enron.com	CEO, Chairman
dsteffes@enron.com	Vice President
veronica.espinoza@enron.com	Staff of credit risk management
janel.guerrero@enron.com	An employee in government affairs department
outlook.team@enron.com	mailing list
scott.neal@enron.com	VP, Trader
kallen@enron.com	Managing director
bob.ambrocik@enron.co	Manager - Enterprise Storage and Backup Team

Table2. Mediators found in the Enron communication network and their position in the organization.

Case Study: Enron Results [Role Change]

- Important Roles in SSRM
 - Leader
 - \circ Mediator

- Interesting role changes
 - \circ Outsider/outermost \rightarrow leader/mediator
 - \circ Leader/mediator \rightarrow outsider/outermost

Case Study: Results [Role Change]

- # of times being a leader
- Constant leader
- Leader in first timeframes
- Leader when present
- Degree of leadership

jeff.dasovich@enron.com tana.jones@enron.com james.steffes@enron.com richard.shapiro@enron.com d..steffes@enron.com marie.heard@enron.com becky.spencer@enron.com louise.kitchen@enron.com ginger.dernehl@enron.com susan.mara@enron.com kathryn.sheppard@enron.com alan.comnes@enron.com mary.hain@enron.com janel.guerrero@enron.com



Table3. Leader role change in the Enron communication network.

Case Study: Enron Results [Role Change]

- Freq. of being mediator
- Degree of mediator-ship
- # of mediators in timeframes
- When mediators are stronger?

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eff.dasovich@enron.com	0.043	0.069	0	0.218	0.252	0.264	0.791	0	0	0.114	0	0	7
denton@enron.com							0.547	0	0.083	0.144	0.139	0	- 4
alan.comnes@enron.com	0								0.095	0	0	0.114	2
rhonda.denton@enron.com	0	0.113	0.634	0	0	0							2
anet.butler@enron.com	0				0.588	0.272	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
shelley.corman@enron.com	0					0.236	0	0	0	0	0.097	0	2
cheryl.johnson@enron.com	0						0.335	0	0	0	0	0	1
susan.scott@enron.com	0			0.285	0	0	0	0	0				1
kam.keiser@enron.com	0							0.486	0	0	0	0	1
nicolay@enron.com	0								0.046	0	0	0	1
stanley.horton@enron.com	0				0.144	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
mark_frevert@enron.com	0		0.135	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
kenneth.lay@enron.com	0							1	0	0	0	0	1
tim.belden@enron.com	0											0.126	1
mary.hain@enron.com	0		0.512	0	0								1
dsteffes@enron.com	0										0.091	0	1
anel.guerrero@enron.com	0											0.095	1
deshonda.hamilton@enron.com	0		0.463	0	0								1
outlook.team@enron.com	0			0.197	0	0	0	0					1
stephanie.miller@enron.com	0						0.16	0	0	0	0	0	1
kallen@enron.com	0						0.424	0	0	0	0	0	1
bob.ambrocik@enron.com										0.073			1
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Table4. Mediator role change in the Enron communication network.

Case Study: Enron Results [Role Change]

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jeff.dasovich@enron.com	9	19	10	19	19	19	19	10	10	9			10	8	7
tana.jones@enron.com	10	10	10	10	10				10	10			7	7	0
james.steffes@enron.com	10	10	10	10	10	10					2		6	6	0
richard.shapiro@enron.com							10	10	10	10	10	10	6		
marie.heard@enron.com							10		10	10	10	10	5	4	0
dsteffes@enron.com								10	10	10	19	10	5	- 4	1
L.denton@enron.com						_	11	10	11	9	11		5		
alan.comnes@enron.com			10			10			19			9	- 4	3	2
louise.kitchen@enron.com									10	10	10	10	- 4	3	0
ginger.dernehl@enron.com	10	2	2		10			10				10	- 4	3	0
susan.mara@enron.com						10	10	10	10	2			- 4	- 4	0
kathryn.sheppard@enron.com		2				2			10	10	10	10	- 4	3	0
becky.spencer@enron.com				10		10	10	10					- 4	- 4	0
mary.hain@enron.com	10	10	19		2								3	3	1
janel.guerrero@enron.com				10						10		19	3	2	1
john.lavorato@enron.com			2	10	10						10		3		
janet.butler@enron.com		2		2	9	9							2	0	2
stephanie.panus@enron.com						_					10	10	2	1	0
ehaedicke@enron.com							10	10					2	2	0
shelley.corman@enron.com						11					9		2	0	1
lynn.blair@enron.com						10						10	2	1	0
rhonda.denton@enron.com		11	11	2		2							2	0	0
billy.lemmons@enron.com				2		10		10					2	2	0
simone.rose@enron.com			10	10									2	2	0
steven.kean@enron.com	10						10						2		0
mark.taylor@enron.com	10	10		_			2						2		

Table5. All role change in the Enron communication network.



- Interesting role-change patterns
- Timeframe when role-change happens

Case Study: Community Events

- An example of events in a social network
 - Community events (Takaffoli, Sangi, Fagnan, Zaiane 2011)
 - Survive
 - Split
 - Merge
 - Dissolve

Case Study: Role-Event Relation

t	source(t-1)	result(t)	event	email	$role_{t-2}$	$role_{t-1}$	$role_t$	com_{t-2}	com_{t-1}	com_t
1	C710	CI7TI	split	tamara.black@enron.com	null		leader	null	C7T0	C17T1
2	C710	C710	split	mark.taylor@enron.com	leader	leader		C7T0	C7I0	C7T0
3	C7T0	C7T0	survive	tana.jones@enron.com	leader	leader	leader	C7T0	C7T0	C7T0
4	C7T0	C7T0	split	becky.spencer@enron.com	-	leader	-	C7T0	C7T0	C7T0
5	C7T0	C7T0	survive	janette.elbertson@enron.com	outsider	outsider	leader	-1	-1	C7T0
6	C7T0	C7T0	merge	ehaedicke@enron.com	null	-	leader	null	C7T0	C7T0
6	C7T0	C7T0	merge	becky.spencer@enron.com	-	leader	leader	C7T0	C7T0	C7T0
6	C7T0	C7T0	merge	janette.elbertson@enron.com	outsider	leader			C7T0	C7T0
6	C7T0	C11T6	split	marie.heard@enron.com	-		leader	C7T0	C7T0	C11T6
6	C7T0	C11T6	split	cheryl.johnson@enron.com	-	-	mediator	C7T0	C7T0	C11T6
6	C7T0	C7T0	split	becky.spencer@enron.com	-	leader	leader	C7T0	C7T0	C7T0
6	C7T0	C7T0	split	janette.elbertson@enron.com	outsider	leader	-		C7T0	C7T0
6	C7T0	C7T0	survive	janette.elbertson@enron.com	outsider	leader	1.1	-	C7T0	C7T0
7	C7T0	C7T0	merge	ehaedicke@enron.com	-	leader	leader	C7T0	C7T0	C7T0
7	C7T0	C7T0	merge	deb.korkmas@enron.com	-	leader	1.1	C7T0	C7T0	C7T0

Table6. role change – community events in the Enron communication network.

• Karate Club Network



BC	CBC	LBC
sally.beck@enron.com	1denton@enron.com	jeff.dasovich@enron.com
jeff.dasovich@enron.com	jeff.dasovich@enron.com	tim.belden@enron.com
ldenton@enron.com	tim.belden@enron.com	1denton@enron.com
lnicolay@enron.com	alan.comnes@enron.com	sbradford@enron.com
dsteffes@enron.com	1nicolay@enron.com	mike.grigsby@enron.com
louise.kitchen@enron.com	bob.ambrocik@enron.com	john.lavorato@enron.com
bob.ambrocik@enron.com	louise.kitchen@enron.com	bsanders@enron.com
richard.shapiro@enron.com	nancy.bagot@enron.com	1nicolay@enron.com
jkean@enron.com	dsteffes@enron.com	danny.mccarty@enron.com
tim.belden@enron.com	shelley.corman@enron.com	stanley.horton@enron.com
fraisy.george@enron.com	bsanders@enron.com	alan.comnes@enron.com
joannie.williamson@enron.com	susan.lindberg@enron.com	fran.chang@enron.com
sbradford@enron.com	sally.beck@enron.com	drew.fossum@enron.com
nancy.bagot@enron.com	bill.williams@enron.com	brian.redmond@enron.com
bsanders@enron.com	john.lavorato@enron.com	janette.elbertson@enron.com
veronica.espinoza@enron.com	john.buchanan@enron.com	edward.sacks@enron.com
janel.guerrero@enron.com	janet.butler@enron.com	robert.badeer@enron.com
ehaedicke@enron.com	sarah.novosel@enron.com	jeff.richter@enron.com
shelley.corman@enron.com	jkean@enron.com	louise.kitchen@enron.com
alan.comnes@enron.com	drew.fossum@enron.com	dave.perrino@enron.com

Table7. Top-20 nodes in the Enron communication network in Oct 2001.

	BC, CBC	BC, LBC	CBC, LBC
Karate Club	0.94	0.58	0.62
Enron	0.90	0.63	0.72

Table8. Spearman correlation between BC, CBC, and LBC.



	t_{BC}	t_{CBC}	t_{LBC}	t_{BC}/t_{CBC}
karate club (34 nodes)	64_{ms}	118_{ms}	57_{ms}	0.54
Enron Oct. 2001 (228 nodes)	1012_{ms}	762_{ms}	152_{ms}	1.33

Table9. Average running time for computing BC, CBC, and LBC.

Conclusion

1. Proposed a framework for defining and tracking structural roles

2. Investigated these roles over time in real dataset showing the correlation of their changes with the changes in the community structure of the network

 proposed new metrics based on the community structure for detecting structural roles

Future work

• Dynamic Roles (temporal)

• Methodologies to study changes of roles.

• Methodologies to study effect of roles on the structure of the underlying network.

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Thank You





SSRM Framework: Mediator Identification

 $LPath = \{l | l \in ShortestPath(a, b) \land a \in leaderSet(c_i) \land b \in leaderSet(c_j)\}$

LBetweenness Centrality

$$LBC(v) = \sum_{p \in LPath} I_l(p, v)$$

$$I_l(p,v) = \left\{ egin{array}{c} 1:v \ resides \ on \ p \\ 0:o.w. \end{array}
ight.$$

SSRM Framework: Mediator Identification

CBetweenness Centrality

$$CBC(v) = rac{1}{2} \sum_{c_i} \sum_{c_j
eq c_i} I_c(p_{c_i,c_j},v): \ \sum_{c_i} \sum_{c_j
eq c_i} I_c(p_{c_i,c_j},v):$$

for undirected networks,

for directed networks.

$$I_c(p_{c_i,c_j},v) = \left\{ egin{array}{cl} 1:v \ resides \ on \ p_{c_i,c_j} \ 0:o.w. \end{array}
ight.$$

 $p_{c_i,c_j} = \{p | p \in AllShortestPath \land start(p) \in c_i \land end(p) \in c_j\}$

SSRM Framework: Mediator Identification

• Normalized-CBC (NCBC)



SSRM Framework: MedExtractor

Algorithm 1 MedExtractor: Find Mediators from SortedList based on their Mediacy Score

- 1: procedure ExtractMediators(Graph G, OrderedList L)
- 2: $\triangleright G$ is the graph associated with a network
- $\triangleright L$ is descending OrderedList containing nodes of the network sorted based on their 3: mediacy score.
- $mediatorSet = \{\}$ > set of selected nodes as mediators 4:
- 5: $connectedComs = \{\}$ > set of communities connected to eachother by nodes in mediatorSet
- while connectedComs.size < G.CommunityCount do 6:

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7:
               n \leftarrow L.top()
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- for all Community $c \in n.incedentCommunities()$ do 8:
 - if $c \notin \text{connectedComs}$ then
- Add n to mediatorSet 10: 11:
 - Add c to connectedComs
- end if 12:
- end for 13:

9:

- 14: Lremove(n)
- 15: end while
- 16: end procedure

Outline

Introduction

Experiment

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Conclusion

MODEC Framework (CASON 2011)

• Critical events are used to characterize the evolution of communities.



L-metric Community Mining

Based on regions D,C,B,S



• L-metric

 \circ $L = \frac{\text{community internal relation}}{\text{community external relation}} = \frac{\text{average internal degree of nodes in D}}{\text{average external degree of nodes in B}}$

- Start from one node
- Add neighbours if L-metric increases

Experiment

- Enron Email Dataset
 - Year 2001 with 285 nodes , 23559 edges, and monthly snapshots
- Dynamic community mining
 - Incremental L-metric
 - Independent L-metric (CASoN 2011)
 - FacetNet (NIPS 2005)
- Incorporate Topic Extraction for the Discovered Communities
 - Apply KEA to produce a list of the keywords discussed within each community
 - Consider the 10 most frequent keywords of each community as its topic