

Pajek

Software tool for SNA

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Intro

- software for network analysis
- authors:
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- free for non-commercial use
- works on Windows
- on Linux: with Wine emulator

Interface



- decomposition of networks
- visualization
- algorithms for analysis (shortest paths, flows, ...)
- find, extract, analyze and show subgraphs
- ...

Pajek data types

- 6 data types:
 - **network:** graph
 - **partition:** nominal properties of vertices
 - **vector:** numerical properties of vertices
 - **cluster:** subset of vertices
 - **permutation:** reordering of vertices
 - **hierarchy:** tree structure on vertices
- transformation between data structures
- stack history of all data



Pajek menus: how to

- commands that need only a network:
 - menu Net
- commands that need two networks:
 - menu Nets
- commands that need two objects:
 - menu Operations
- commands that need only a partition/vector/..
 - menu Partition / Vector / Permutation /...

Loading data

- many graph data types:
 - GEDCOM, UCINET, MDL MOL, ...
 - native format: **.net**
- **.vec**, **.clu**, **.per** files for other data
- **project file** which stores everything
- does not support Unix text files
 - all lines must end with CR LF (Windows style)

Input files

| inter.net | inter.net | sex.clu | age.vec | rank.per |
|--------------|-----------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| *Vertices 20 | | *vertices 20 | *vertices 20 | *vertices 20 |
| 1 "m01" | 1 6 5 | 1 | 15 | 1 |
| 2 "m02" | 1 7 9 | 1 | 10 | 2 |
| 3 "m03" | 1 8 7 | 1 | 10 | 3 |
| 4 "m04" | 1 9 4 | 1 | 8 | 4 |
| 5 "m05" | 1 10 3 | 1 | 7 | 5 |
| 6 "f06" | 1 11 3 | 2 | 15 | 10 |
| 7 "f07" | 1 12 7 | 2 | 5 | 11 |
| 8 "f08" | 1 13 3 | 2 | 11 | 6 |
| 9 "f09" | 1 14 2 | 2 | 8 | 12 |
| 10 "f10" | 1 15 5 | 2 | 9 | 9 |
| 11 "f11" | 1 16 1 | 2 | 16 | 7 |
| 12 "f12" | 1 17 4 | 2 | 10 | 8 |
| 13 "f13" | 1 18 1 | 2 | 14 | 18 |
| 14 "f14" | 2 3 5 | 2 | 5 | 19 |
| 15 "f15" | 2 4 1 | 2 | 7 | 20 |
| 16 "f16" | 2 5 3 | 2 | 11 | 13 |
| 17 "f17" | 2 6 1 | 2 | 7 | 14 |
| 18 "f18" | 2 7 4 | 2 | 5 | 15 |
| 19 "f19" | 2 8 2 | 2 | 15 | 16 |
| 20 "f20" | 2 9 6 | 2 | 4 | 17 |
| *Edges | 2 10 2 | | | |
| 1 2 2 | 2 11 5 | | | |
| 1 3 10 | 2 12 4 | | | |
| 1 4 4 | 2 13 3 | | | |
| ... | 2 14 2 | | | |
| | ... | | | |

Input files

- .net files: three blocks:
 - *Vertices
 - *Arcs or *Arclist
 - *Edges or *Edgeslist
- various parameters:
 - name, color, weight, shape, position,...
- more info: Pajek manual
 - <http://vlado.fmf.uni-lj.si/pub/networks/pajek/doc/pajekman.pdf>

Loading and drawing graphs

- data: as1.net (relations in a class)
 - who would you invite to a party ?
- load:
 - File – Network – Read
- draw:
 - Draw – Draw
 - Layout – Energy – Kamada-Kawai – Free
- zoom:
 - click and drag right mouse button

Visual properties

- draw window:
 - button GraphOnly: hide all but graph
- meni Options:
 - label
 - color
 - size
 - width
- previous / next graph on the stack

Partitions

- load partition as1.clu (male / female):
 - File – Partition – Read
 - another possibility: partitions from shapes:
 - Net – Partitions – Vertex shapes
- draw partitions:
 - Draw – Draw partition
 - each partition can be moved separately
- extract both subnetworks, defined by partitions:
 - Operations – Extract from network – Partition
 - enter number 1 (female), repeat with 2 (male)

Partitions and reduction: world trade data

- load project file SaK_trade.paj:
 - File – Pajek project file – Read
 - Info – Partition
- shrink all partitions:
 - Operations – Shrink network – Partition
 - first value: 1 (default)
 - second value: 0 (shrink all)
- now shrink all except South America
 - second value = 4
- remove lines inside South America:
 - Operations – Transform – Remove lines – Inside clusters

Shortest paths

- load dic28.net (english dictionary):
 - relation: one changed character
- find shortest path between two words:
 - e.g. “black” and “white”
 - Net – Paths between 2 vertices – One shortest
 - Draw
- repeat, now find all shortest paths:
 - Net – Paths between 2 vertices – All shortest
 - Draw

Weak and strong components

- load as10.net:
 - whom would you select to inform you about important news in school ?
- find strong components:
 - Net – Components – Strong components
- Draw – Draw partition
- comment strong componets (male / female population)
- how many weak components ?
- Shrink:
 - Operation - Shrink network - Partition

Degree centrality

- load as10.net
- input degree partitions:
 - Net – Partitions – Degree – Input
- Draw - Draw partition
- we also have a vector:
 - multiply by 15.0:
 - Vector – Transform – Multiply by
 - Draw – Draw vector
- which vertex is the most popular ?
 - Info - Partition

Extracting important parts

- load USAir94.net:
 - flight connections between US airports
- this graph has weighted lines:
 - remove all lines with weight ≤ 0.15
 - Net – Transform – Remove – Lines with value – Lower than
- now there are isolated vertices:
 - compute degree partition: Net – Partitions – Degree
 - Info – Partition
 - Operations – Extract from network – Partition
 - Draw
 - Options – Lines – Grayscale

Betweenness and closeness centrality

- load USAir94.net:
 - flight connections between US airports
- compute betweenness centrality:
 - Net – Vector – Centrality – Betweenness
 - multiply vector by 15.0
- Draw – Draw vector
- which airports are the most important?
- repeat the procedure for closeness centrality

Neighbourhood

- load USAir94.net:
- compute k-neighbourhood of an important airport (e.g. 118 - Chicago O'Hare)
 - Net – k-Neighbours
- inspect results:
 - Info – Partition
- explain results:
 - how many can be reached in 2 flights ?
 - which is the farthest ?

Cores

- load as1.net
- find core hierarchy:
 - Net – Partition – Core – Input
 - Draw – Draw Partition
 - Info - Partition
- extract the strongest and weakest core:
 - Operations – Extract from network – Partition
 - Draw – Draw partition
- what can you say about weakest / strongest core?
- explain core hierarchy

Islands

- load eatRS.net:
 - Edinburgh associative thesaurus
- lines are weighted: we can find line islands:
 - Net – Partitions – Islands – Line weights
 - min=5, max=15
- extract partition (island) number 187
 - Operations – Extract from network – Partition
- draw this island

Two mode networks: cores

- load TheyRuleR.net
 - network of companies and directors
- get 2-mode partitions:
 - Net – Partitions – 2-mode
- draw window:
 - Layers – In y direction
- get border (p,q) core values:
 - Net – Partitions – Core – 2-Mode border

Two mode networks: cores

- inspect report and find core (1, 52)
 - Net – Partition – Core -2-Mode
 - $p=1$, $q=52$
- extract partition 1:
 - Operations – Extract from network – Partition
- get 2-mode partitions:
 - Net – Partitions – 2-mode
- Draw – Draw partition
- Spin – Normal: 0 0 0
- Spin – Spin around: 90 degrees

Two mode networks

- explain (1, 52) core
- repeat the process for the (8,1) core
- convert the network into 1-mode:
 - values on lines or multiple lines
 - loop or no loops
 - row or columns (first or second set)
 - Net – Transform – 2-Mode to 1-Mode
- now standard methods can be used

Hierarchical clustering

- load as1.net
- first, create one cluster with all vertices:
 - Cluster – Create complete cluster
- then compute dissimilarity matrix:
 - Operations – Dissimilarity – Network based – Corrected Euclidean
 - save dendrogram into a file (.eps)
- inspect created dendrogram:
 - how many clusters seem appropriate?

Hierarchical clustering

- open hierarchy window:



- expand the tree until it seems ok to you
- close each terminal branch:
 - click on brach
 - press Ctrl-T until (Close) appears
- create partition from hierarchy:
 - Hierarchy – Make Partition
- draw partitions
- shrink partitions and draw (Operations – Shrink – Partition)