

# Community detection

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## Network Science



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# Community detection

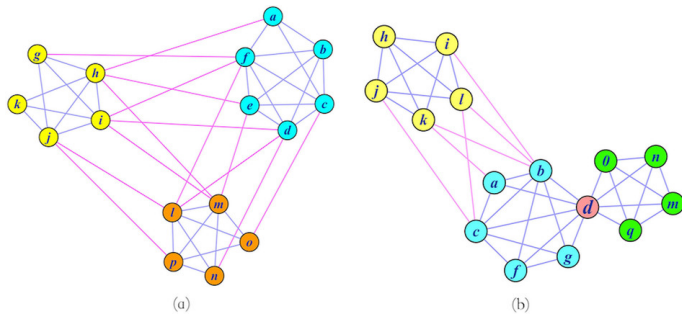
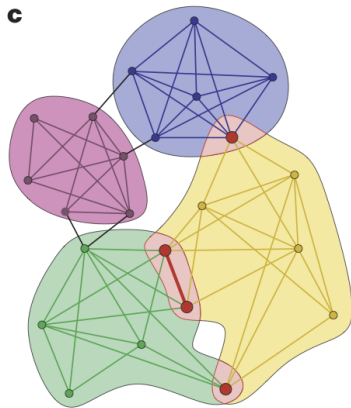


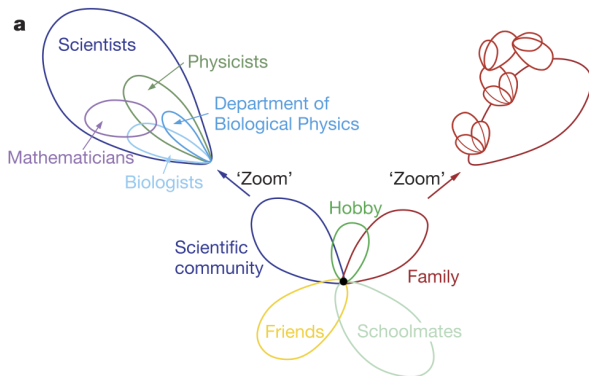
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# Overlapping communities



Palla, 2005

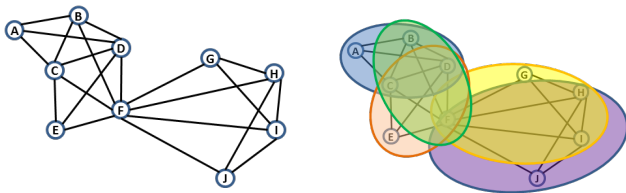
# Overlapping communities



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# $k$ -clique community

- $k$ -clique is a clique (complete subgraph) with  $k$  nodes
- $k$ -clique community a union of all  $k$ -cliques that can be reached from each other through a series of adjacent  $k$ -cliques
- two  $k$ -cliques are said to be adjacent if they share  $k - 1$  nodes.



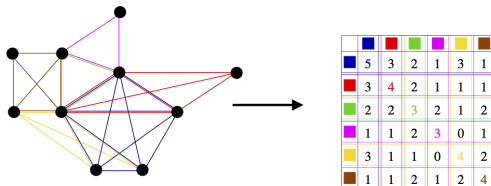
Adjacent 4-cliques

# k-clique percolation

- Find all maximal cliques
- Create clique overlap matrix
- Threshold matrix at value  $k - 1$
- Communities = connected components

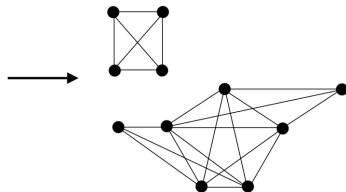
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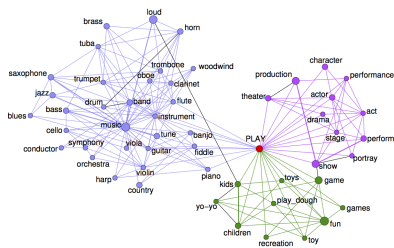
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Blue	1	1	0	0	1	0
Red	1	1	0	0	0	0
Green	0	0	0	0	0	0
Magenta	0	0	0	0	0	0
Yellow	1	0	0	0	1	0
Brown	0	0	0	0	0	1





# k-clique percolation



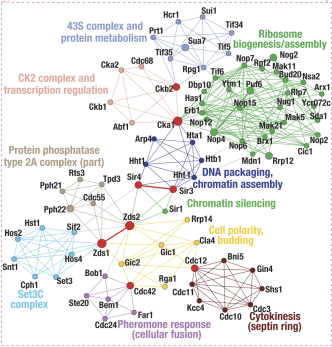
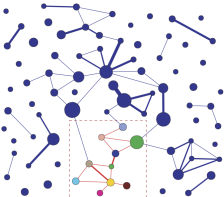
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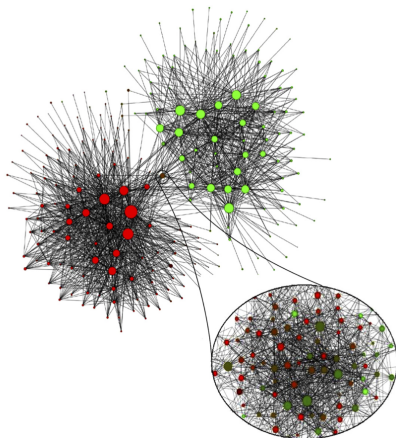
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# k-clique percolation



# Fast community unfolding

Multi-resolution scalable method



2 mln mobile phone network

V. Blondel et.al., 2008

## "The Louvain method"

- Heuristic method for greedy modularity optimization
- Find partitions with high modularity
- Multi-level (multi-resolution) hierarchical scheme
- Scalable

Modularity:

$$Q = \frac{1}{2m} \sum_{i,j} \left( A_{ij} - \frac{k_i k_j}{2m} \right) \delta(c_i, c_j)$$

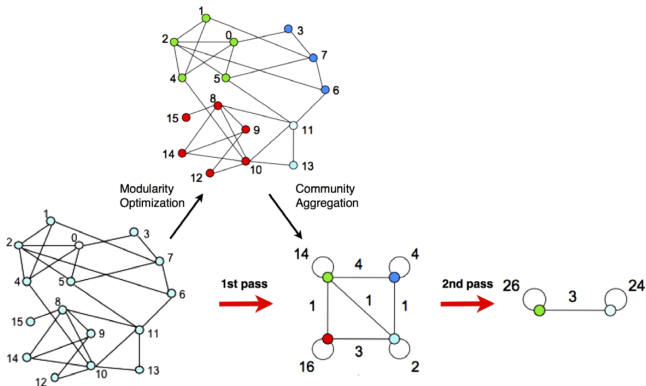
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## Algorithm

- Assign every node to its own community
- Phase I
  - For every node evaluate modularity gain from removing node from its community and placing it in the community of its neighbor
  - Place node in the community maximizing modularity gain
  - repeat until no more improvement (local max of modularity)
- Phase II
  - Nodes from communities merged into "super nodes"
  - Weight on the links added up
- Repeat until no more changes (max modularity)

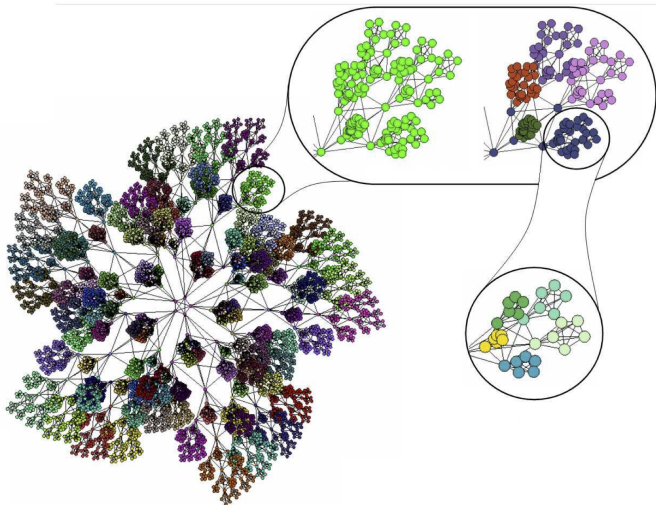
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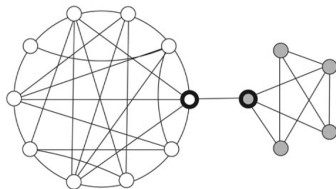
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# Communities and random walks



- Random walks on a graph tend to get trapped into densely connected parts corresponding to communities.



## Walktrap

- Consider random walk on graph
- At each time step walk moves to NN uniformly at random  $P_{ij} = \frac{A_{ij}}{d(i)}$ ,  
 $P = D^{-1}A$ ,  $D_{ii} = \text{diag}(d(i))$
- $P_{ij}^t$  - probability to get from  $i$  to  $j$  in  $t$  steps,  $t \ll t_{\text{mixing}}$
- Assumptions: for two  $i$  and  $j$  in the same community  $P_{ij}^t$  is high
- if  $i$  and  $j$  are in the same community, then  $\forall k$ ,  $P_{ik}^t \approx P_{jk}^t$
- Distance between nodes:

$$r_{ij}(t) = \sqrt{\sum_{k=1}^n \frac{(P_{ik}^t - P_{jk}^t)^2}{d(k)}} = \|D^{-1/2}P_i^t - D^{-1/2}P_j^t\|$$

P. Pons and M. Latapy, 2006

Computing node distance  $r_{ij}$

- Direct (exact) computation:  $P_{ij}^t = (P^t)_{ij}$  or  $P_i^t = P^t p_i^0$ ,  $p_i^0(k) = \delta_{ik}$
- Approximate computation (simulation):
  - Compute  $K$  random walks of length  $t$  starting from node  $i$
  - Approximate  $P_{ik}^t \approx \frac{N_{ik}}{K}$ , number of walks end up on  $k$

Distance between communities:

$$P_{Cj}^t = \frac{1}{|C|} \sum_{i \in C} P_{ij}^t$$

$$r_{C_1 C_2}(t) = \sqrt{\sum_{k=1}^n \frac{(P_{C_1 k}^t - P_{C_2 k}^t)^2}{d(k)}} = \|D^{-1/2} P_{C_1}^t - D^{-1/2} P_{C_2}^t\|$$

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## Algorithm (hierarchical clustering)

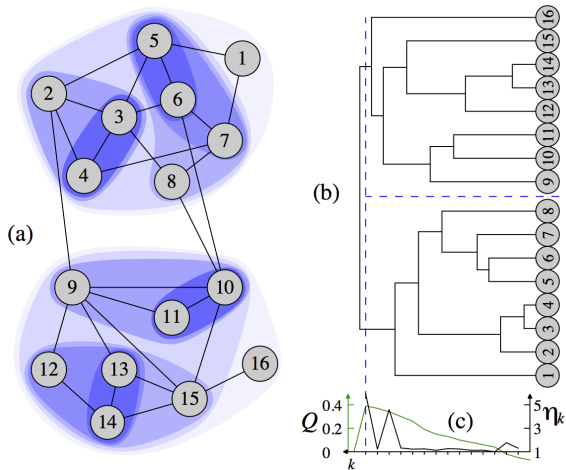
- Assign each vertex to its own community  $S_1 = \{\{v\}, v \in V\}$
- Compute distance between all adjacent communities  $r_{C_i C_j}$
- Choose two "closest" communities that minimizes (Ward's methods):

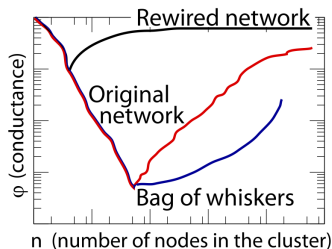
$$\Delta\sigma(C_1, C_2) = \frac{1}{n} \left( \sum_{i \in C_3} r_{iC_3}^2 - \sum_{i \in C_1} r_{iC_1}^2 - \sum_{i \in C_2} r_{iC_2}^2 \right)$$

and merge them  $S_{k+1} = (S_k \setminus \{C_1, C_2\}) \cup C_3$ ,  $C_3 = C_1 \cup C_2$

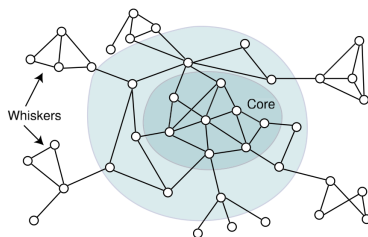
- update distance between communities

After  $n - 1$  steps finish with one community  $S_n = \{V\}$





(a) Typical NCP plot



(b) Caricature of network structure

Best conductance of a vertex set  $S$  of size  $k$ :

$$\Phi(k) = \min_{S \in V, |S|=k} \phi(S), \quad \phi(S) = \frac{\text{cut}(S, V \setminus S)}{\min(\text{vol}(S), \text{vol}(S \setminus V))}$$

where  $\text{vol}(S) = \sum_{i \in S} k_i$  - sum of all node degrees in the set

# Community detection algorithms

Author	Ref.	Label	Order
Eckmann & Moses	(Eckmann and Moses, 2002)	EM	$O(m(k^2))$
Zhou & Lipowsky	(Zhou and Lipowsky, 2004)	ZL	$O(n^3)$
Latapy & Pons	(Latapy and Pons, 2005)	LP	$O(n^3)$
Clauset et al.	(Clauset <i>et al.</i> , 2004)	NF	$O(n \log^2 n)$
Newman & Girvan	(Newman and Girvan, 2004)	NG	$O(nm^2)$
Girvan & Newman	(Girvan and Newman, 2002)	GN	$O(n^2m)$
Guimerà et al.	(Guimerà and Amaral, 2005; Guimerà <i>et al.</i> , 2004)	SA	parameter dependent
Duch & Arenas	(Duch and Arenas, 2005)	DA	$O(n^2 \log n)$
Fortunato et al.	(Fortunato <i>et al.</i> , 2004)	FLM	$O(m^3n)$
Radicchi et al.	(Radicchi <i>et al.</i> , 2004)	RCCLP	$O(m^4/n^2)$
Donetti & Muñoz	(Donetti and Muñoz, 2004, 2005)	DM/DMN	$O(n^3)$
Bagrow & Bolt	(Bagrow and Bolt, 2005)	BB	$O(n^3)$
Capocci et al.	(Capocci <i>et al.</i> , 2005)	CSCC	$O(n^2)$
Wu & Huberman	(Wu and Huberman, 2004)	WH	$O(n + m)$
Palla et al.	(Palla <i>et al.</i> , 2005)	PK	$O(\exp(n))$
Reichardt & Bornholdt	(Reichardt and Bornholdt, 2004)	RB	parameter dependent

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Girvan & Newman	(Girvan and Newman, 2002; Newman and Girvan, 2004)	GN	$O(nm^2)$
Clauset et al.	(Clauset <i>et al.</i> , 2004)	Clauset et al.	$O(n \log^2 n)$
Blondel et al.	(Blondel <i>et al.</i> , 2008)	Blondel et al.	$O(m)$
Guimerà et al.	(Guimerà and Amaral, 2005; Guimerà <i>et al.</i> , 2004)	Sim. Ann.	parameter dependent
Radicchi et al.	(Radicchi <i>et al.</i> , 2004)	Radicchi et al.	$O(m^4/n^2)$
Palla et al.	(Palla <i>et al.</i> , 2005)	Cfinder	$O(\exp(n))$
Van Dongen	(Dongen, 2000a)	MCL	$O(nk^2)$ , $k < n$ parameter
Rosvall & Bergstrom	(Rosvall and Bergstrom, 2007)	Infomod	parameter dependent
Rosvall & Bergstrom	(Rosvall and Bergstrom, 2008)	Infomap	$O(m)$
Donetti & Muñoz	(Donetti and Muñoz, 2004, 2005)	DM	$O(n^3)$
Newman & Leicht	(Newman and Leicht, 2007)	EM	parameter dependent
Ronhovde & Nussinov	(Ronhovde and Nussinov, 2009)	RN	$O(m^\beta \log n)$ , $\beta \sim 1.3$

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## Lectures 1-10

- Network characteristics:
  - Power law node degree distribution
  - Small diameter
  - High clustering coefficient (transitivity)
- Network models:
  - Random graphs
  - Preferential attachment
  - Small world
- Centrality measures:
  - Degree centrality
  - Closeness centrality
  - Betweenness centrality
- Link analysis:
  - Page rank
  - HITS

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- Structural equivalence
  - Vertex equivalence
  - Vertex similarity
- Assortative mixing
  - Assortative and disassortative networks
  - Mixing by node degree
  - Modularity
- Network structures:
  - Cliques
  - k-cores
- Network communities:
  - Graph partitioning
  - Overlapping communities
  - Heuristic methods
  - Random walk based methods