

## CS4423 - Networks

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### 2. Centrality Measures

## Lecture 8: Closeness and Betweenness Centrality

... continuing from last time. First, load the libraries.

```
In [1]: import networkx as nx
import pandas as pd
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
```

Next, recover the graph  $G$  of marital ties between Florentine families, together with the node attributes we have already determined.

```
In [2]: G = nx.read_yaml("florentine.yaml")
print(G.number_of_nodes())
G.nodes['Medici']
```

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```
Out[2]: {'$C_i^D$': 0.4, 'degree': 6, 'priorates': 53, 'wealth': 103}
```

```
In [3]: G.number_of_nodes()
```

```
Out[3]: 16
```

```
In [4]: cc = list(nx.connected_components(G))[0]
GG = G.subgraph(cc)
```

### Eigenvectors and Centrality (cont'd.)

Recall that

$$\begin{pmatrix} 3 & 1 \\ 2 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix} = 4 \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix},$$

making the vector  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$  an **eigenvector** for the **eigenvalue**  $\lambda = 4$  of the matrix  $A$ .

In this example

- all entries  $a_{ij}$  of the matrix  $A = (a_{ij})$  are positive;
- the eigenvalue 4 is strictly larger than the magnitude  $|\lambda'|$  of all the other (complex or real) eigenvalues of  $A$  (here,  $\lambda' = -1$ );
- and the eigenvalue  $\lambda = 4$  has an eigenvector with all its entries positive.

The theoretical foundation for eigenvector centrality is provided by the following Linear Algebra [theorem](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Perron%E2%80%93Frobenius_theorem) ([https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Perron%E2%80%93Frobenius\\_theorem](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Perron%E2%80%93Frobenius_theorem)) from 1907/1912, which basically states that the above observations are no coincidence.

**Theorem.** (Perron-Frobenius for irreducible matrices.) Suppose that  $A$  is a square, nonnegative, irreducible matrix. Then:

- $A$  has a real eigenvalue  $\lambda > 0$  with  $\lambda \geq |\lambda'|$  for all eigenvalues  $\lambda'$  of  $A$ ;
- $\lambda$  is a simple root of the characteristic polynomial of  $A$ ;
- there is a  $\lambda$ -eigenvector  $v$  with  $v > 0$ .

Here, a matrix  $A$  is called **reducible** if, for some simultaneous permutation of its rows and columns, it has the block form

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} A_{11} & A_{12} \\ 0 & A_{21} \end{pmatrix}.$$

And  $A$  is **irreducible** if it is not reducible.

The incidence matrix of a simple graph  $G$  is irreducible if and only if  $G$  is connected.

**Definition (Eigenvector centrality).** In a simple, connected graph  $G$ , the **eigenvector centrality**  $c_i^E$  of node  $i$  is defined as

$$c_i^E = u_i,$$

where  $u = (u_1, \dots, u_n)$  is the (unique) normalized eigenvector of the adjacency matrix  $A$  of  $G$  with eigenvalue  $\lambda$ , and where  $\lambda > |\lambda'|$  for all eigenvalues  $\lambda'$  of  $A$ .

The **normalised eigenvector centrality** of node  $i$  is defined as

$$C_i^E = \frac{c_i^E}{C^E},$$

where  $C^E = \sum_j c_j^E$ .

Let's attach the eigenvector centralities as node attributes and display the resulting table.

```
In [5]: eigen_cen = nx.eigenvector_centrality(GG)
        nx.set_node_attributes(G, eigen_cen, '$c_i^E$')
```

In [6]: `pd.DataFrame.from_dict(dict(GG.nodes(data=True)), orient='index').sort_values('`

Out[6]:

	$C_i^D$	degree	priorates	wealth	$c_i^E$
Medici	0.400000	6	53	103	0.430315
Guadagni	0.266667	4	21	8	0.289117
Strozzi	0.266667	4	74	146	0.355973
Albizzi	0.200000	3	65	36	0.243961
Bischeri	0.200000	3	12	44	0.282794
Castellani	0.200000	3	22	20	0.259020
Peruzzi	0.200000	3	42	49	0.275722
Ridolfi	0.200000	3	38	27	0.341554
Tornabuoni	0.200000	3	n/a	48	0.325847
Barbadori	0.133333	2	n/a	55	0.211706
Salviati	0.133333	2	35	10	0.145921
Acciaiuoli	0.066667	1	53	10	0.132157
Ginori	0.066667	1	n/a	32	0.074925
Lamberteschi	0.066667	1	0	42	0.088793
Pazzi	0.066667	1	n/a	48	0.044815

## Closeness centrality

A node  $x$  in a network can be regarded as being central, if it is **close** to (many) other nodes, as it can then quickly interact with them. A simple way to measure closeness in this sense is based on the sum of all the distances to the other nodes, as follows.

**Definition (Closeness Centrality).** In a simple, connected graph  $G$ , the **closeness centrality**  $c_i^C$  of node  $i$  is defined as

$$c_i^C = \left( \sum_j d_{ij} \right)^{-1}.$$

The **normalized closeness centrality** of node  $i$ , defined as

$$C_i^C = (n-1)c_i^C$$

takes values in the interval  $[0, 1]$ .

Why is  $0 \leq C_i^D \leq 1$ ? When is  $C_i^D = 1$ ?

**BFS again.** This time as a python function, which takes a graph  $G = (X, E)$  and a vertex  $x \in X$  as its arguments. It returns a **dictionary**, which for each node as key has the distance to  $x$  as its value.

```
In [7]: from queue import Queue

def dists(graph, node):

    # 1. init: set up the dictionary and queue
    dists = { x : None for x in graph.nodes() }
    dists[node] = 0
    q = Queue()
    q.put(node)

    # 2. loop
    while not q.empty():
        x = q.get()
        for y in G.neighbors(x):
            if dists[y] == None:
                dists[y] = dists[x] + 1
                q.put(y)

    # 3. stop here
    return dists
```

```
In [8]: d = dists(G, 'Medici')
```

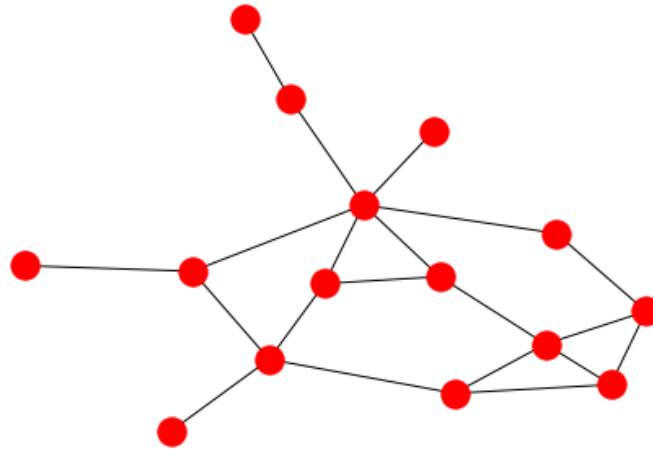
```
In [9]: d
```

```
Out[9]: {'Acciaiuoli': 1,
        'Albizzi': 1,
        'Barbadori': 1,
        'Bischeri': 3,
        'Castellani': 2,
        'Ginori': 2,
        'Guadagni': 2,
        'Lamberteschi': 3,
        'Medici': 0,
        'Pazzi': 2,
        'Peruzzi': 3,
        'Pucci': None,
        'Ridolfi': 1,
        'Salviati': 1,
        'Strozzi': 2,
        'Tornabuoni': 1}
```

```
In [10]: cc = list(nx.connected_components(G))[0]
         GG = G.subgraph(cc)
```

```
In [11]: nx.draw(GG)
```

```
/home/goetz/anaconda3/lib/python3.7/site-packages/networkx/drawing/nx_pylab.py
:611: MatplotlibDeprecationWarning: isinstance(..., numbers.Number)
      if cb.is_numlike(alpha):
```



```
In [12]: d = dists(GG, 'Medici')
```

```
In [13]: sum(d.values())
```

```
Out[13]: 25
```

```
In [14]: n = GG.number_of_nodes()
close_cen = { x : (n-1)/sum(dists(GG, x).values()) for x in GG.nodes() }
```

```
In [15]: close_cen
```

```
Out[15]: {'Acciaiuoli': 0.3684210526315789,
          'Albizzi': 0.4827586206896552,
          'Barbadori': 0.4375,
          'Bischeri': 0.4,
          'Castellani': 0.3888888888888889,
          'Ginori': 0.3333333333333333,
          'Guadagni': 0.4666666666666667,
          'Lamberteschi': 0.32558139534883723,
          'Medici': 0.56,
          'Pazzi': 0.2857142857142857,
          'Peruzzi': 0.3684210526315789,
          'Ridolfi': 0.5,
          'Salviati': 0.3888888888888889,
          'Strozzi': 0.4375,
          'Tornabuoni': 0.4827586206896552}
```

```
In [16]: nx.closeness_centrality(G)
```

```
Out[16]: {'Acciaiuoli': 0.3684210526315789,
          'Albizzi': 0.4827586206896552,
          'Barbadori': 0.4375,
          'Bischeri': 0.4,
          'Castellani': 0.3888888888888889,
          'Ginori': 0.3333333333333333,
          'Guadagni': 0.4666666666666667,
          'Lamberteschi': 0.32558139534883723,
          'Medici': 0.56,
          'Pazzi': 0.2857142857142857,
          'Peruzzi': 0.3684210526315789,
          'Ridolfi': 0.5,
          'Salviati': 0.3888888888888889,
          'Strozzi': 0.4375,
          'Tornabuoni': 0.4827586206896552}
```

```
In [17]: nx.set_node_attributes(G, close_cen, '$C_i^C$')
```

```
In [18]: pd.DataFrame.from_dict(dict(G.nodes(data=True)), orient='index').sort_values('C_i^C')
```

```
Out[18]:
```

	$C_i^D$	degree	priorates	wealth	$c_i^E$	$C_i^C$
Medici	0.400000	6	53	103	0.430315	0.560000
Guadagni	0.266667	4	21	8	0.289117	0.466667
Strozzi	0.266667	4	74	146	0.355973	0.437500
Albizzi	0.200000	3	65	36	0.243961	0.482759
Bischeri	0.200000	3	12	44	0.282794	0.400000
Castellani	0.200000	3	22	20	0.259020	0.388889
Peruzzi	0.200000	3	42	49	0.275722	0.368421
Ridolfi	0.200000	3	38	27	0.341554	0.500000
Tornabuoni	0.200000	3	n/a	48	0.325847	0.482759
Barbadori	0.133333	2	n/a	55	0.211706	0.437500
Salviati	0.133333	2	35	10	0.145921	0.388889
Acciaiuoli	0.066667	1	53	10	0.132157	0.368421
Ginori	0.066667	1	n/a	32	0.074925	0.333333
Lamberteschi	0.066667	1	0	42	0.088793	0.325581
Pazzi	0.066667	1	n/a	48	0.044815	0.285714
Pucci	0.000000	0	0	3	NaN	NaN

## Betweenness Centrality

**BFS once more.** This time as a python function, which returns a **dictionaries**, which contains, for each node  $y$ , a list of **immediate predecessors** of  $y$  in a shortest path from  $x$  to  $y$ . Yes, that's another piece of information, BFS can determine on the fly. From this, recursively, one can reconstruct **all shortest paths** from  $x$  to  $y$ . We still need to compute the shortest path lengths as part of the algorithm.

```
In [19]: from queue import Queue

def preds(graph, node):

    # 1. init: set up the two dictionaries and queue
    dists = { x : None for x in graph.nodes() }
    preds = { x : [] for x in graph.nodes() }
    dists[node] = 0
    q = Queue()
    q.put(node)

    # 2. loop
    while not q.empty():
        x = q.get()
        for y in G.neighbors(x):
            if dists[y] == None:
                dists[y] = dists[x] + 1
                q.put(y)
                preds[y].append(x)
            elif dists[y] == dists[x] + 1:
                preds[y].append(x)

    # 3. stop here
    return preds
```

```
In [20]: p = preds(GG, 'Medici')
n
```

```
Out[20]: {'Acciaiuoli': ['Medici'],
'Albizzi': ['Medici'],
'Barbadori': ['Medici'],
'Bischeri': ['Guadagni', 'Strozzi'],
'Castellani': ['Barbadori'],
'Ginori': ['Albizzi'],
'Guadagni': ['Albizzi', 'Tornabuoni'],
'Lamberteschi': ['Guadagni'],
'Medici': [],
'Pazzi': ['Salviati'],
'Peruzzi': ['Castellani', 'Strozzi'],
'Ridolfi': ['Medici'],
'Salviati': ['Medici'],
'Strozzi': ['Ridolfi'],
'Tornabuoni': ['Medici']}
```

When interactions between non-adjacent agents in a network depend on middle men (on shortest paths between these agents, power comes to those in the middle. Betweenness centrality measures centrality in terms of the number of shortest paths a node lies on.

**Defintion (Betweenness Centrality).** In a simple, connected graph  $G$ , the **betweenness centrality**  $c_i^B$  of node  $i$  is defined as

$$c_i^B = \sum_{j \neq i} \sum_{k \neq i} \frac{n_{jk}(i)}{n_{jk}},$$

where  $n_{jk}$  denotes the **number** of shortest paths from node  $i$  to node  $j$ , and where  $n_{jk}(i)$  denotes the number of those shortest paths **passing through** node  $i$ .

The **normalized betweenness centrality** of node  $i$ , defined as

$$C_i^B = \frac{c_i^B}{(n-1)(n-2)}$$

takes values in the interval  $[0, 1]$ .

Using the predecessor lists, shortest paths can be enumerated recursively: the shortest path from  $x$  to itself is the empty path starting and ending at  $x$ . Else, if  $y \neq x$  then each shortest path from  $y$  to  $x$  travels through exactly one of  $y$ 's predecessors ... and ends in  $y$ .

```
In [21]: def shortest_paths(x, y, pre):
         if x == y:
             return [[x]]
         else:
             paths = []
             for p in pre[y]:
                 for path in shortest_paths(x, p, pre):
                     paths.append(path + [y])

             return paths
```

```
In [22]: shortest_paths('Medici', 'Pazzi', n)
```

```
Out[22]: [['Medici', 'Salviati', 'Pazzi']]
```

```
In [23]: between = { x : 0 for x in GG.nodes() }
```

```
In [24]: n = GG.number_of_nodes()
         for x in GG.nodes():
             pre = preds(GG, x)
             for y in GG.nodes():
                 paths = shortest_paths(x, y, pre)
                 njk = len(paths)*(n-1)*(n-2)
                 for p in shortest_paths(x, y, pre):
                     for z in p[1:-1]: # exclude endpoints
                         between[z] += 1/njk
```

```
In [25]: between
```

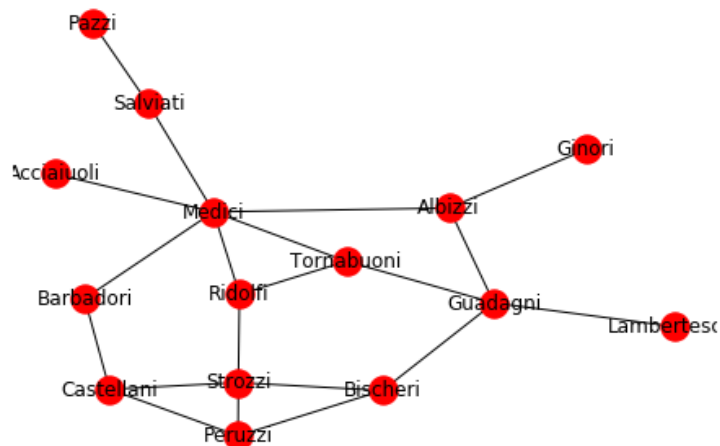
```
Out[25]: {'Acciaiuoli': 0,
          'Albizzi': 0.2124542124542123,
          'Barbadori': 0.09340659340659344,
          'Bischeri': 0.10439560439560439,
          'Castellani': 0.05494505494505494,
          'Ginori': 0,
          'Guadagni': 0.25457875457875445,
          'Lamberteschi': 0,
          'Medici': 0.521978021978021,
          'Pazzi': 0,
          'Peruzzi': 0.02197802197802198,
          'Ridolfi': 0.11355311355311352,
          'Salviati': 0.14285714285714285,
          'Strozzi': 0.10256410256410255,
          'Tornabuoni': 0.09157509157509156}
```



```
In [26]: nx.betweenness_centrality(GG)
```

```
Out[26]: {'Acciaiuoli': 0.0,
'Albizzi': 0.21245421245421245,
'Barbadori': 0.09340659340659341,
'Bischeri': 0.1043956043956044,
'Castellani': 0.05494505494505495,
'Ginori': 0.0,
'Guadagni': 0.25457875457875456,
'Lamberteschi': 0.0,
'Medici': 0.521978021978022,
'Pazzi': 0.0,
'Peruzzi': 0.02197802197802198,
'Ridolfi': 0.11355311355311355,
'Salviati': 0.14285714285714288,
'Strozzi': 0.10256410256410257,
'Tornabuoni': 0.09157509157509158}
```

```
In [27]: nx.draw(GG, with_labels=True)
```



Finally, let's add the normalized betweenness centralities as attributes to the nodes of the graph, and display the resulting table.

```
In [28]: nx.set_node_attributes(G, between, '%C i^B$')
```

In [29]: `pd.DataFrame.from_dict(dict(G.nodes(data=True)), orient='index').sort_values('c`

Out[29]:

	$C_i^D$	degree	priorates	wealth	$c_i^E$	$C_i^C$	$C_i^B$
<b>Medici</b>	0.400000	6	53	103	0.430315	0.560000	0.521978
<b>Guadagni</b>	0.266667	4	21	8	0.289117	0.466667	0.254579
<b>Strozzi</b>	0.266667	4	74	146	0.355973	0.437500	0.102564
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<b>Bischeri</b>	0.200000	3	12	44	0.282794	0.400000	0.104396
<b>Castellani</b>	0.200000	3	22	20	0.259020	0.388889	0.054945
<b>Peruzzi</b>	0.200000	3	42	49	0.275722	0.368421	0.021978
<b>Ridolfi</b>	0.200000	3	38	27	0.341554	0.500000	0.113553
<b>Tornabuoni</b>	0.200000	3	n/a	48	0.325847	0.482759	0.091575
<b>Barbadori</b>	0.133333	2	n/a	55	0.211706	0.437500	0.093407
<b>Salviati</b>	0.133333	2	35	10	0.145921	0.388889	0.142857
<b>Acciaiuoli</b>	0.066667	1	53	10	0.132157	0.368421	0.000000
<b>Ginori</b>	0.066667	1	n/a	32	0.074925	0.333333	0.000000
<b>Lamberteschi</b>	0.066667	1	0	42	0.088793	0.325581	0.000000
<b>Pazzi</b>	0.066667	1	n/a	48	0.044815	0.285714	0.000000
<b>Pucci</b>	0.000000	0	0	3	NaN	NaN	NaN

In [ ]: