

CS 5001 – Applied Social Network Analysis

Spring 2021

HW #3

25 points

Submit to Canvas by 11:59 p.m. on Monday, Feb. 22, 2021

RATE AND REVIEW



What did you think of the movie? (optional)

What to Do:

For this assignment you are to write a **Python** program that will **analyze a social network of people who have rated movies**. The network is represented as an undirected graph. There are nodes for people and nodes for movies. Each edge is between a person and a movie; such an edge denotes that the person has seen the movie, and has given it a rating (which should be an attribute of the edge). Yes, this is a bipartite graph.

Posted on Canvas is a text file¹ (**userRatedMovie.csv**) that contains data for this network; there are 17 nodes (7 people and 10 movies) and 23 edges. Each line in the file contains a user's name (name), the title of a movie (title), and the integer rating the user gave to the movie (userRating). Python provides functions to read csv files and create graphs; for example, you could read the csv file into a Pandas dataframe and then build a graph from the dataframe (see `Networkx.from_pandas_edgelist`).

Here's what you are to do to analyze this network:

- (1) Partition the nodes into 2 sets: the people and the movies. **Display the graph** with the nodes for the people in **red** and the nodes for the movies in **blue** (if you're color blind, you can pick different colors than red and blue, as long as the colors for each group of nodes is different; we don't want the nodes all the same color!).
- (2) **List the "most important" person and the "most important" movie based on each of the following types of centrality: degree, closeness, and betweenness.** If there is a tie for a score, choose one of the nodes in the tie using any method that you want. You must write code to determine the winners in each of the centrality categories; you will lose points if you just look at the centrality results and (manually) pick the highest-valued nodes!

¹ This file was created on a Windows machine. If you're using it on a Unix/Linux machine, you may want to run `dos2unix` on it first to remove any weird characters like `'\r'`

- (3) **List movies that were seen by at least 3 people.** Hint: Consider computing an event-by-actor matrix.
- (4) **Create a social network of the people.** There should only be “people” nodes (no “movie” nodes) in this graph. There should be an (undirected) edge between 2 people nodes if the 2 people have seen at least one movie in common; there should not be any self-loops (e.g., Joe should not have an edge to himself). Each edge should have an attribute representing the number of movies in common the 2 people have seen; this represents the “strength” of their social tie. **Display this graph including the edge weights.** Hint: Consider computing an actor-by-actor matrix.
- (5) **List pairs of movies that were seen by 2 or more people** (e.g., if “What Did Jack Do?” and “Rabbits” were seen by 4 different people, then output that pair of movies). Don’t include duplicate results in your output. Hint: Consider computing an **event-by-event matrix**.

What to Turn In:

You need to submit (via Canvas) the following (all as a single pdf file):

- A listing of **your source code**. COMMENT YOUR CODE so that the grader can follow what you are doing!!!
- The specified **output** for tasks (1)-(5).

Grading:

Here’s how many points each task is worth:

Task	Points Possible
Create graph from csv file (with edge weights)	1
Bipartite graph display	3
Most important movie and user by degree centrality	2
Most important movie and user by closeness centrality	2
Most important movie and user by betweenness centrality	2
Movies seen by at least 3 people	4
Social network of the people	6
Pairs of movies seen by 2 or more people	5
Total	25