Project 5

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```
# knitr::opts_chunk$set(echo = TRUE)
library('igraph')
##
## Attaching package: 'igraph'
## The following objects are masked from 'package:stats':
##
##
       decompose, spectrum
## The following object is masked from 'package:base':
##
       union
library(poweRlaw)
library(dplyr)
##
## Attaching package: 'dplyr'
## The following objects are masked from 'package:igraph':
##
       as_data_frame, groups, union
##
## The following objects are masked from 'package:stats':
##
##
       filter, lag
## The following objects are masked from 'package:base':
##
       intersect, setdiff, setequal, union
##
url1 <- "https://raw.githubusercontent.com/JeffreyAlanSmith/Integrated_Network_Science/master/data/affi
url2 <- "https://raw.githubusercontent.com/JeffreyAlanSmith/Integrated_Network_Science/master/data/affi
affiliations96 <- read.delim(file = url1, check.names = FALSE)
affiliations97 <- read.delim(file = url2, check.names = FALSE)
dim(affiliations96)
```

[1] 1295 91

1 - 1996 Dataset

a - Which student clubs serve to integrate the school and which are more peripheral?

The most core clubs are the Spanish Club, the Pep Club and NHS. The Choir barbershop quartet (4 men), the Cross Country girls 8th grade team and the boys Swim & Dive Team are the most peripheral clubs.

```
G96 <- graph_from_incidence_matrix(as.matrix(affiliations96))
## Warning: `graph_from_incidence_matrix()` was deprecated in igraph 1.6.0.
## i Please use `graph_from_biadjacency_matrix()` instead.
## This warning is displayed once every 8 hours.
## Call `lifecycle::last_lifecycle_warnings()` to see where this warning was
## generated.
# Split nodes into types by rows versus columns
# V(G96)$type # TRUE = club, FALSE = student,
clubs \leftarrow V(G96)[V(G96)\$type == TRUE]
club_degrees <- degree(G96, v = clubs)</pre>
# Identify top & bottom
cat("top clubs\n")
## top clubs
head(sort(club_degrees, decreasing = TRUE), 3)
## Spanish Club
                    Pep Club
                                       NHS
##
            199
                                       124
                          157
cat("Peripheral clubs\n")
## Peripheral clubs
head(sort(club_degrees, decreasing = FALSE), 3)
## Choir, barbershop quartet (4 men)
                                               Cross Country, girls 8th
##
              Swim & Dive Team, boys
##
##
```

b - Which student clubs tend to share members at high rates?

The following pairs of clubs share the most amount of members:

- Pep Club & Spanish Club
- Debate club & Forensics (National Forensics League)
- Forensics club & Forensics (National Forensics League)
 - "Forensics club" and "Forensics (National Forensics League)" are listed as separate clubs in the dataset, despite having similar names

```
projections <- bipartite_projection(G96)
club_graph <- projections$proj2 # This is the club-club graph

# Weight = number of shared members
E(club_graph)$weight</pre>
```

[1] 9 2 6 6 4 4 1 2 5 4 5 1 1 5 2 1 2 4 2 10 4 4 2 1

```
## [1321] 1 3 1 1 4 1
                            1 1 1 1 2 1 1 2 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 2 2 6
## [1345] 2 1 1 2 1 4
                            4
                               2 1 7
                                        1
                                          1
                                             1
# Top pairs with highest shared members
top_pairs <- get.data.frame(club_graph, what = "edges")</pre>
## Warning: `get.data.frame()` was deprecated in igraph 2.0.0.
## i Please use `as_data_frame()` instead.
## This warning is displayed once every 8 hours.
## Call `lifecycle::last_lifecycle_warnings()` to see where this warning was
## generated.
top_pairs <- top_pairs[order(-top_pairs$weight), ]</pre>
head(top pairs, 3)
##
            from
                                                    to weight
## 1226 Pep Club
                                          Spanish Club
                                                           47
          Debate Forensics (National Forensics League)
## 680
                                                           46
      Forensics Forensics (National Forensics League)
                                                           42
```

c - What is the shared feature, or theme, that brings these clubs together in a cluster?

When analyzing the clusters based off the walktrap algorithm, the majority of the clubs in the clusters share the following common traits:

- Cluster 1
 - Girls 8th grade sports teams
- Cluster 2
 - High school boys sports teams
- Cluster 3
 - Boys 8th grade sports teams
- Cluster 4
 - Majority female academic clubs and girls sports
- Cluster 5
 - Academic organizations and girls sports
- Cluster 6
 - 9th grade girls sports
- Cluster 7
 - Music clubs

I tried several different clustering methods and the walktrap algorithm gave the most coherent clusters.

```
# club_comm <- cluster_louvain(club_graph)
# club_comm <- cluster_edge_betweenness(club_graph)
club_comm <- cluster_walktrap(club_graph)

club_membership <- membership(club_comm)
club_names <- names(club_membership)

# Combine club names and cluster numbers
club_clusters <- data.frame(
    Club = club_names,
    Cluster = club_membership
)

# View the clubs in each cluster</pre>
```

```
split(club_clusters$Club, club_clusters$Cluster)
## $`1`
## [1] "Basketball, girls 8th"
                                  "Cross Country, girls 8th"
## [3] "Track, girls 8th"
                                  "Volleyball, 8th"
## $`2`
## [1] "Band, Jazz"
                                     "Band, Marching (Symphonic)"
## [3] "Baseball, JV (10th)"
                                     "Baseball, V"
                                     "Basketball, boys JV"
   [5] "Basketball, boys 9th"
## [7] "Basketball, boys V"
                                     "Cross Country, boys V"
## [9] "Football, 9th"
                                     "Football, V"
## [11] "Golf, boys V"
                                     "Hispanic Club"
## [13] "Orchestra, Symphonic"
                                     "Soccer, V"
## [15] "Swim & Dive Team, boys"
                                     "Tennis, boys V"
## [17] "Track, boys V"
                                     "Wrestling, V"
##
## $`3`
## [1] "Band, 8th"
                                 "Basketball, boys 8th"
## [3] "Cross Country, boys 8th" "Football, 8th"
## [5] "Track, boys 8th"
                                 "Wrestling, 8th"
##
## $`4`
   [1] "Academic decathalon"
   [2] "Art Club"
##
## [3] "Cheerleaders, JV"
## [4] "Cheerleaders, Spirit Squad"
## [5] "Cheerleaders, V"
   [6] "Choir, women's ensemble"
##
## [7] "Debate"
## [8] "Drill Team"
## [9] "Drunk Driving"
## [10] "Forensics"
## [11] "Forensics (National Forensics League)"
## [12] "German Club"
## [13] "Key Club"
## [14] "Latin Club"
## [15] "PEER"
## [16] "Pep Club"
## [17] "Pep Club Officers"
## [18] "Softball, JV (10th)"
## [19] "Softball, V"
## [20] "STUCO"
## [21] "Teachers of Tomorrow"
## [22] "Tennis girls V"
## [23] "Track, girls V"
```

[24] "Volleyball, JV"

[1] "Asian Club"

\$`5`

[25] "Yearbook Contributors"

[3] "Basketball, girls V"

[7] "Choir, chamber singers"

[5] "Choir, a capella"

```
"Basketball, girls JV"
"Chess Club"
"Choir, barbershop quartet (4 men)"
"Choir, vocal ensemble (4 women)"
```

```
## [9] "Close-up"
                                             "Cross Country, girls V"
## [11] "Drunk Driving Officers"
                                             "French Club (high)"
## [13] "French NHS"
                                             "Full IB Diploma Students (12th)"
## [15] "German NHS"
                                             "Internships"
## [17] "Junior Class Board"
                                             "Newspaper Staff"
## [19] "NHS"
                                             "Quiz-Bowl (all)"
## [21] "Science Olympiad"
                                             "Spanish Club (high)"
## [23] "Spanish NHS"
                                             "Theatre Productions"
## [25] "Thespian Society (ITS)"
                                             "Volleyball, V"
## [27] "Yearbook Editors"
##
## $`6`
## [1] "Basketball, girls 9th"
                                 "Cheerleaders, 9th"
## [3] "Choir, concert"
                                 "French Club (low)"
## [5] "Orchestra, Full Concert" "Spanish Club"
## [7] "Swim & Dive Team, girls" "Volleyball, 9th"
##
## $`7`
## [1] "Cheerleaders, 8th" "Choir, treble"
                                               "Orchestra, 8th"
```

2 - 1997 Dataset

a - What is the order, size, and density of G?

```
G <- graph_from_incidence_matrix(as.matrix(affiliations97))

order_G <- gorder(G)
size_G <- gsize(G)
density_G <- edge_density(G)

cat("Order (number of vertices):", order_G, "\n")

## Order (number of vertices): 1386

cat("Size (number of edges):", size_G, "\n")

## Size (number of edges): 2641

cat("Density:", density_G, "\n")

## Density: 0.002751601</pre>
```

b - Is the network G connected? If not, what fraction of vertices belong to the largest connected component? If the network is not connected, consider only the largest component H for the remaining questions.

```
is_connected(G)
## [1] FALSE
cat("The graph is NOT connected\n\n")
## The graph is NOT connected
comp <- components(G)</pre>
```

```
# Size of largest component
largest_comp_size <- max(comp$csize)
fraction_largest <- largest_comp_size / gorder(G)

# Create subgraph H
H <- induced_subgraph(G, which(comp$membership == which.max(comp$csize)))
cat("Percent of vertices belonging to largest component: ", fraction_largest, "\n")</pre>
```

Percent of vertices belonging to largest component: 0.6789322

c - What is the average path length of H?

```
average_path_length_H <- average.path.length(H, directed = FALSE)

## Warning: `average.path.length()` was deprecated in igraph 2.0.0.

## i Please use `mean_distance()` instead.

## This warning is displayed once every 8 hours.

## Call `lifecycle::last_lifecycle_warnings()` to see where this warning was

## generated.

cat("Average path length: ", average_path_length_H)</pre>
```

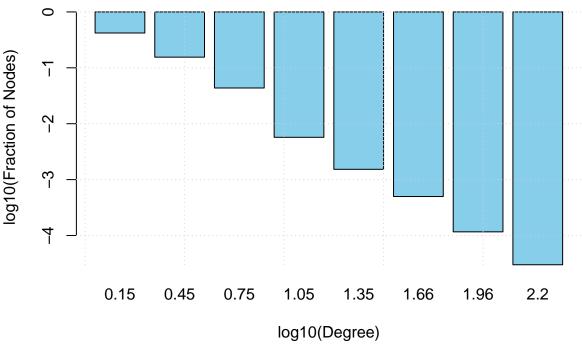
Average path length: 3.738472

d - Is H scale-free? Provide statistical evidence (e.g., by examining the degree distribution and fitting a power-law distribution)

Yes, the subgraph H appears to be scale-free because the degree distribution follows a power-law for degrees >= 4. The scaling exponent is 2.46, and the high bootstrap p-value of 0.53 suggests a good fit to the power-law model.

```
degrees_H <- degree(H)</pre>
## Logarithmic binning and log-log plot
log_bins <- function(degrees, alpha = 2) {</pre>
  min deg <- min(degrees[degrees > 0])
  max_deg <- max(degrees)</pre>
  bin edges <- c()</pre>
  current_edge <- min_deg</pre>
  while (current_edge < max_deg) {</pre>
    bin_edges <- c(bin_edges, current_edge)</pre>
    current_edge <- current_edge * alpha</pre>
  bin_edges <- c(bin_edges, max_deg)</pre>
  return(bin_edges)
}
# Generate log bins and bin the degrees
bin_edges <- log_bins(degrees_H, alpha = 2)</pre>
binned_degrees <- cut(degrees_H, breaks = bin_edges, include.lowest = TRUE)</pre>
binned_counts <- table(binned_degrees)</pre>
bin_widths <- diff(bin_edges)</pre>
normalized counts <- as.numeric(binned counts) / bin widths
bin_centers <- sqrt(bin_edges[-length(bin_edges)] * bin_edges[-1])</pre>
```

Log-Log Degree Distribution (H)



```
## Power-law fitting using poweRlaw
m_pl <- displ$new(degrees_H)
est_xmin <- estimate_xmin(m_pl)
m_pl$setXmin(est_xmin)
est_pars <- estimate_pars(m_pl)
m_pl$setPars(est_pars)

# Extract alpha (scaling exponent) and k_min
alpha <- m_pl$pars
k_min <- m_pl$xmin
cat("Estimated scaling exponent (alpha):", alpha, "\n")</pre>
```

Estimated scaling exponent (alpha): 2.458653

```
cat("Estimated minimum degree (k_min):", k_min, "\n")
## Estimated minimum degree (k_min): 4
## Goodness-of-fit via bootstrapping
set.seed(123) # for reproducibility
bs <- bootstrap(m pl, no of sims = 100)
## Expected total run time for 100 sims, using 1 threads is 5.53 seconds.
gof obs <- bs$gof
# Extract GOF values from bootstrapped samples
gof_bootstrap <- bs$bootstraps$gof</pre>
# Calculate p-value: fraction of bootstrap GOFs > observed GOF
p_val <- mean(gof_bootstrap > gof_obs)
# Display
cat("Bootstrap p-value:", p_val, "\n")
## Bootstrap p-value: 0.56
if (p_val > 0.1) {
  cat("The power-law distribution is a good fit (p > 0.1)\n")
  cat("The power-law distribution is NOT a good fit (p <= 0.1)\n")</pre>
```

e - What is the fraction of edges that are attached to the top 10% of high-degree vertices?

Fraction of edges attached to the top 10% high-degree vertices: 0.9613783

The power-law distribution is a good fit (p > 0.1)

```
deg_H <- degree(H)
top_10_percent_count <- ceiling(0.10 * length(deg_H))

top_vertices <- names(sort(deg_H, decreasing = TRUE))[1:top_10_percent_count]

# Count total number of edges in H
total_edges <- gsize(H)

top_edges <- unique(unlist(incident_edges(H, top_vertices)))
fraction_top_edges <- length(top_edges) / total_edges

cat("Fraction of edges attached to the top 10% high-degree vertices:", fraction_top_edges, "\n")</pre>
```

Fraction of edges attached to the top 10% high-degree vertices: 0.9613783

f - What distributions do the following centrality measures follow:

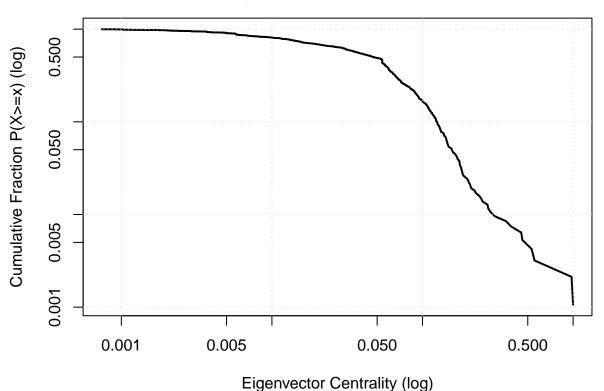
Eigenvector and Betweenness

When analyzed on a log-log scale, both measure show a similar pattern of gradually curving downwards and then decreasing at a somewhat similar rate. This type of trend is indicative of a powerlaw distribution.

Closeness

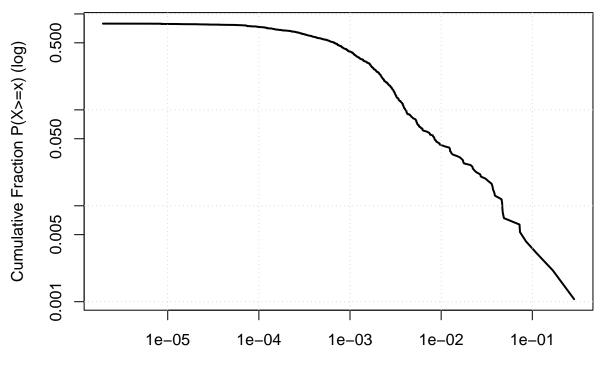
The closeness measure does not have a long tail in its distribution and it is not monotonically decreasing. Therfore, this centrality measure does not show a power-law distribution.

Eigenvector Centrality (H)



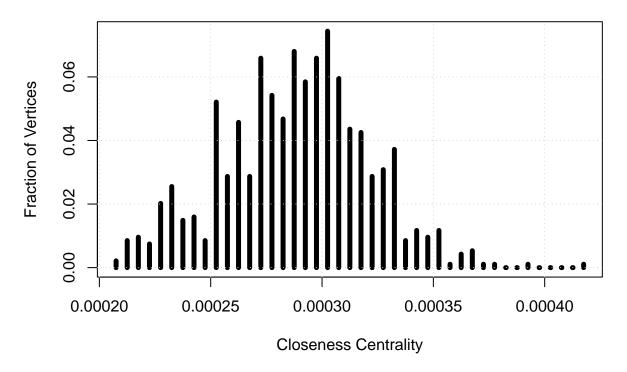
---- 2. Betweenness Centrality ----
sorted_betweenness <- sort(betweenness_H, decreasing = TRUE)
valid_betweenness_indices <- which(sorted_betweenness > 0)
sorted_betweenness_nonzero <- sorted_betweenness[valid_betweenness_indices]
cumulative_betweenness_frac_nonzero <- valid_betweenness_indices / length(betweenness_H)</pre>

Betweenness Centrality (H)



Betweenness Centrality (log)

Closeness Centrality (H)

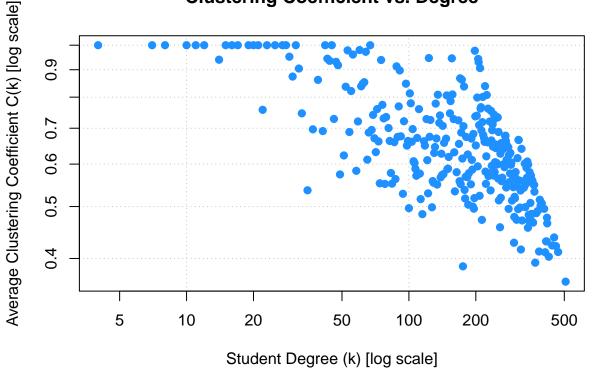


g - How does the clustering coefficient of vertices change with vertex degrees?

The vertices with low degrees have high clustering coefficients. This makes sense as some clubs are very tight knit. We would expect that every student in the barbershop quartet should know each other. Similarly for extremely large clubs, it is unlikely that all the students know each other.

```
V(H) type <- V(G) type [match(V(H) name, V(G) name)] # Assign type from original G
projections_H <- bipartite_projection(H)</pre>
student_graph_H <- projections_H$proj1 # Graph where nodes are students (type FALSE)
# Calculate degrees for vertices in the student network
deg_student_H <- degree(student_graph_H)</pre>
local_cc_student_H <- transitivity(student_graph_H, type = "local")</pre>
df_student_cc <- data.frame(</pre>
 vertex id = V(student graph H)$name,
  degree = deg_student_H,
  local_cc = local_cc_student_H
df_student_cc_valid <- df_student_cc[!is.na(df_student_cc$local_cc), ]</pre>
avg_cc_by_degree_student <- df_student_cc_valid %>%
  group_by(degree) %>%
  summarise(
    avg_cc = mean(local_cc, na.rm = TRUE), # Should not be needed if NAs are filtered
    .groups = 'drop'
  filter(degree > 0) # Ensure degree is positive
```

Clustering Coefficient vs. Degree



h - Does H exhibit assortative mixing in terms of vertex degrees? Provide the assortativity coefficient and interpret its value.

H does not exhibit assortative mixing. The negative coefficient (-0.3829303) indicates that nodes tend to connect to nodes with dissimilar degrees

```
assortativity_coeff_H_student <- assortativity_degree(H, directed = FALSE)
cat("Assortativity coefficient (degree) for H:", assortativity_coeff_H_student, "\n")</pre>
```

Assortativity coefficient (degree) for H: -0.3829303