INTRODUCTION TO SOCIAL NETWORK ANALYSIS

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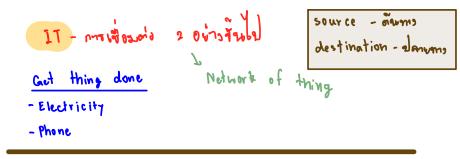
LEARNING OBJECTIVES

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- Be able to define "social network"
- Understand the meaning of social network analysis (SNA)
- Be able to visualise a simple social network

WHAT WILL BE COVERED?

- Part 1 What is a social network?
- Part 2 What is social network analysis?
- Part 3 Getting a sense of a real-life social network
- Part 4 Introduction to Gephi



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Travel - Network of roads.

PART 1 – WHAT IS A SOCIAL NETWORK?

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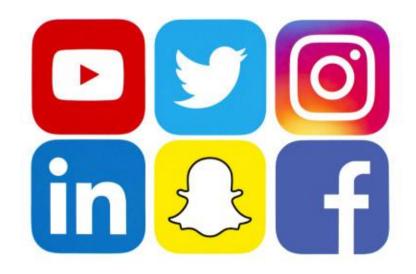
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social Network - Network of people

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WHAT IS A SOCIAL NETWORK?

A social network is a platform where individuals meet (online) to communicate or share information by making posts, sending messages or leaving comments.



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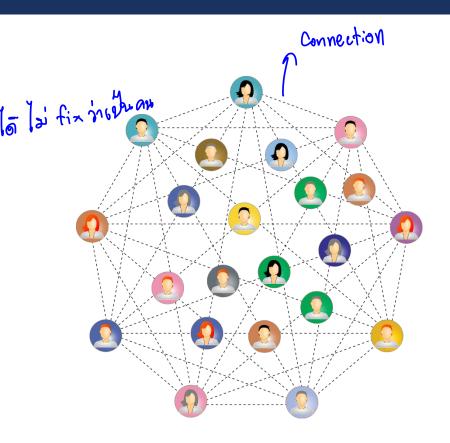
A social network is a social structure made up of a set of social actors

(people or organisations) that are

connected by one of more specific ties

such as friendship, family, common

interest, financial exchange, dislike etc.



TYPES OF SOCIAL NETWORKS

Classified by platform:

Web-based social network

Mobile şocial network

Hybrid social network



Classified by audience:

General social network

Niche social network

TYPES OF SOCIAL NETWORKS

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- Classified by purpose:
 - Dating social network





Informational social network







Classified by purpose:



- Education social network
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- Commerce social network
- Multimedia sharing social network



Social connection network



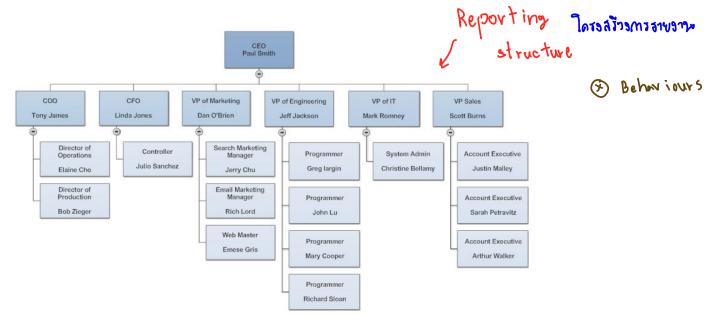
PART 2 – WHAT IS SOCIAL NETWORK ANALYSIS?

SOCIAL NETWORK ANALYSIS

- Applications and interests have increased over the past 20 years.
- Reasons:
 - Business 2.0 Magazine SNA on a terrorist network (2001)
 - Important tool for online businesses
 - Sells data
 - Who works with whom, who consults whom and who has the most influence

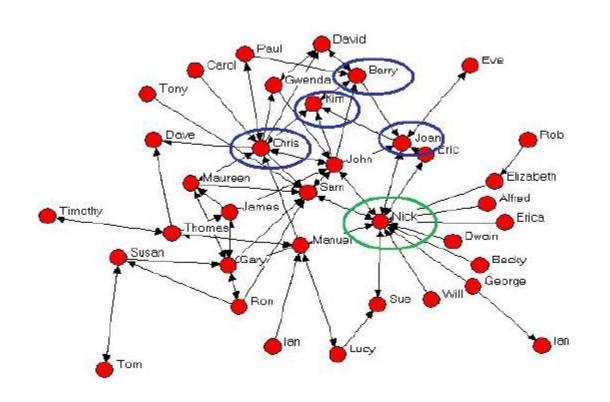
SOCIAL NETWORK ANALYSIS MOTIVATION

- A network within an organisation
- What can we observe?

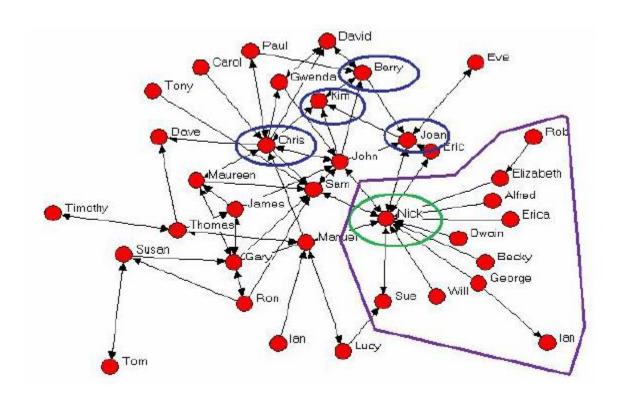


https://www.smartdraw.com/organizational-chart/

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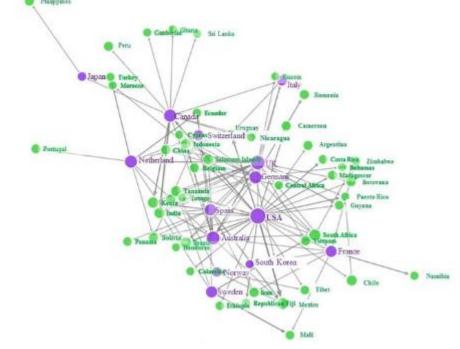
SOCIAL NETWORK ANALYSIS MOTIVATION



WHAT IS SOCIAL NETWORK ANALYSIS?

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- A process of investigating properties and social structures through the use of
 - networks and graph theory.
 - Analysis of characteristics วุณกัมชื่อ
 - Analysis of relationships กามสื้นสินธ์
 - Analysis of behaviours ลกุลิกฐาน



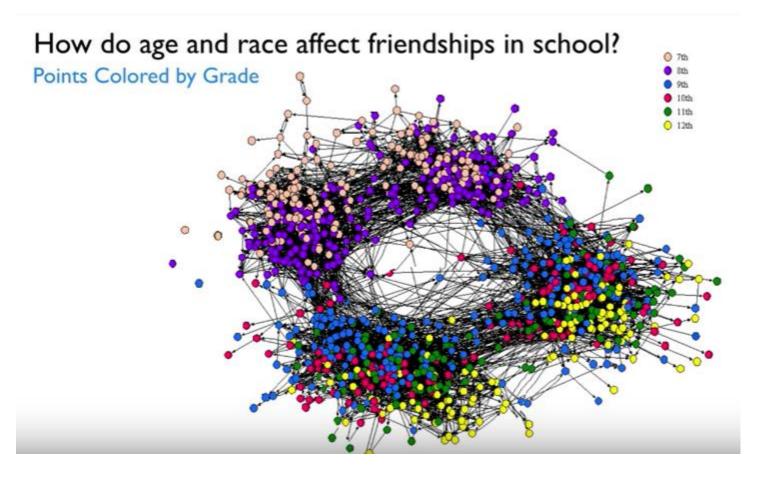
WHY DO WE USE SOCIAL NETWORK ANALYSIS?

- Enables us to segment data based on user behaviours
- Understand how a group is formed:
 - Interests, workplace, characteristics, ...

X (Twitter) or Facebook Group

Understand and identify who the important people are

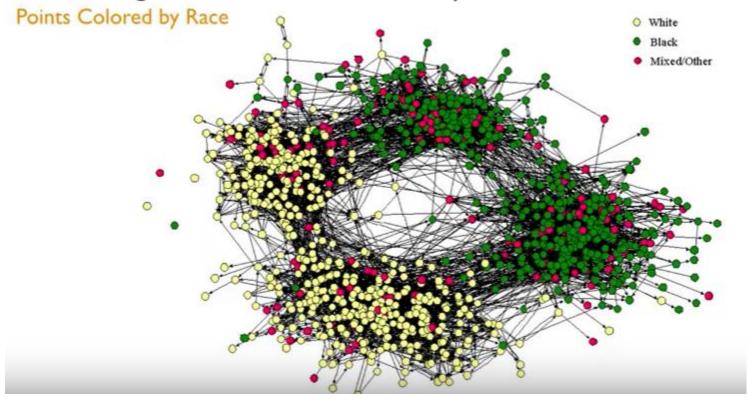
SOCIAL NETWORK IN SCHOOL



Source: Mod-U

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How do age and race affect friendships in school?



Source: Mod-U

ANALYSING SOCIAL NETWORKS

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- Data collection
 - Surveys
 - Interviews
 - Observations
 - □ Web scraping



- Analysis
 - Graph theory
 - Graph metrics

SOCIAL NETWORK ANALYSIS IS NOT

- SNA is not social networking
- It is not X (Twitter) or Facebook
 - How are they different?
 - How are they similar?



SUMMARY

- SNA is the analysis of relationships
- SNA can help visualise social structure