Graph Algorithms for Visualizing High Dimensional Data

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Project Research Group

- ► This project is carried out within the LARCA research group at UPC .
- Researchers within LARCA have in the last two years began collaborations with hospital and health agencies for the analysis of electronic healthcare records [EHR].
- ► In previous work within the group, they proposed to organize the information in EHR in the form of graphs and hyper- graphs, which can then be navigated by experts and mined with graph and network theoretic tools.





Goal of the Project

- To survey a few algorithms that aim in community finding keeping in mind that the input is from the medical domain.
- To choose an algorithms that benefit the purpose of organizing graphs from medical domain and for the purpose of visualization.
- To implement the algorithms and test the efficiency of the algorithm using variety of graphs.
- To build a Graphic User Interface (GUI) which enables visualization of the raw input on a web browser by drawing graphs.





Planning and Budget

- Planning:
 - Required knowledge acquisition
 - Paper Analysis
 - Design and Implementation
 - Testing I
 - Testing II
 - Report Writing
- Economic budget: Hardware budget, Software Budget, Human Resource Budget
- Sustainability: Economically sustainable, Socially sustainable, Environmentally sustainable





What is Community?

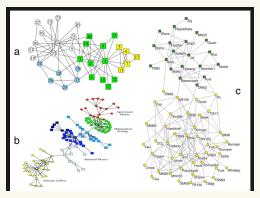


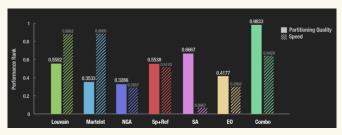
Image Source: Fortunato, Santo and Barthelemy, Marc 2007





State-of-the-art in Community Detection

- Communities are a part of the graph that have fewer ties with the rest of the system.
- A community should be densely connected, well separated from the rest of the network and the members of the network should be more similar among themselves than with the rest.



Exploring state of the art: [3]



Louvain Algorithm [2]

Louvain algorithms is the state of the art community detection Algorithm. Louvain algorithm attempts to maximize modularity.

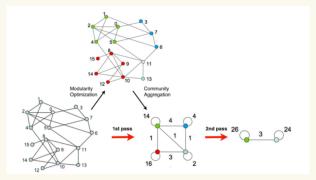


Image Source: "Fast unfolding of communities in large networks" [1]





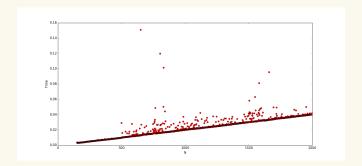
Mode of implementation

- The implementation of the Algorithm is in Python. pyLouvain is code that is freely available although considering the task performed by the project it is tough to use pyLouvain directly. Hence modifications were made to pyLouvain and some part of the code was reused.
- The input data structure was altered. The Input file is stored in a matrix and its transpose is used to get the node set. This is used to for a edge dictionary.
- The first phase of pyLouvain is used as it is in the project and the second phase has been modified in the manner that relabelling is done.





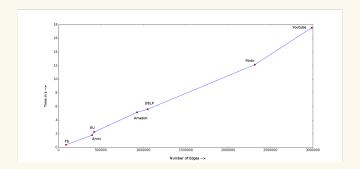
N until 2000 and Q=0.4, Scale-Free degree distribution Experiments



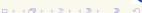




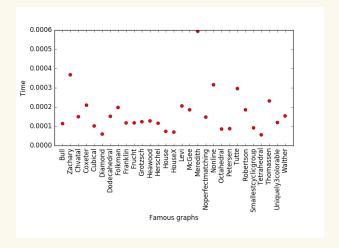
Experiments on Real World Graph







Famous Graphs Experiments







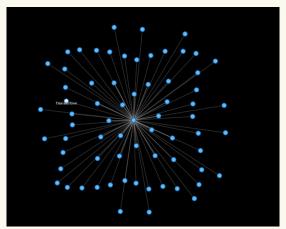
Visualization Libraries

	Protovis.js	D3.js	Alchemy.js	Gephi
JavaScript	✓	~	✓	
JSON Object	✓	✓	✓	
Robust		/		✓
Less Overhead			✓	

Table: Comparing Visualization methods

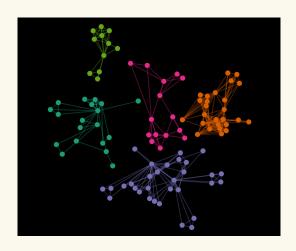


- Alchemy needs three main units to form as an application namely: alchemy.css, alchemy.js and data.
- Five simple steps to connect the JSON object to draw the graph.
- Tests:

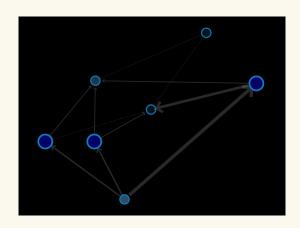




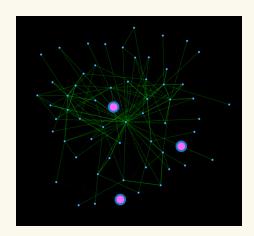




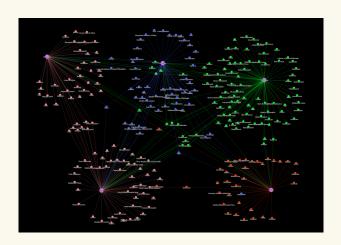




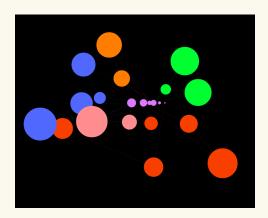












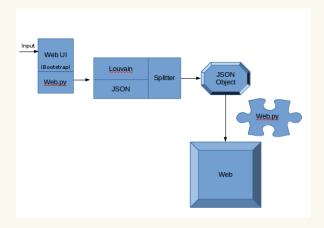


Web framework and Front-end

- Angular.js was recommended by the main project, but too complex for our requirement.
- Django, Grok and Web.py were considered. Web.py was finally chosen.
- Bootstrap was used as the front-end framework. It was used for the front-end contrasting with web.py which was used behind.

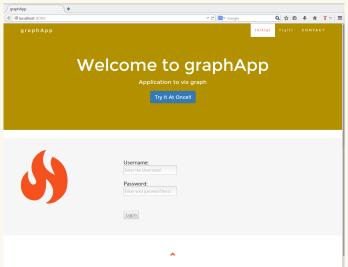






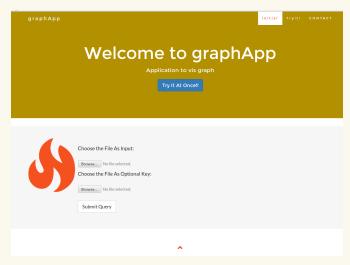






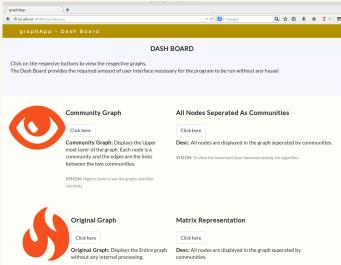






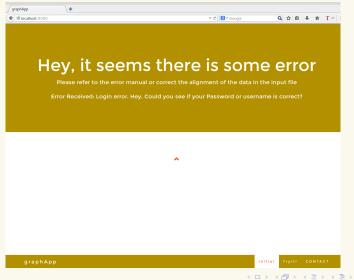
















Conclusion

- In the project we have surveyed a few algorithms that aim in community finding keeping in mind that the input is taken from health care domain.
- ② Louvain Community detection algorithm was chosen for community detection and for visualization. Alchemy.js were selected after considering the input and a few state of the art algorithms.
- The algorithms and frameworks thus found were implemented and tests were conducted for finding the efficiency of the algorithms.
- 4 A GUI implementing Web.py and Bootstrap was created combining the visualization and the computation.





Challenges

There were quite a few challenges in the project. I was from a pure theoretical background, so I had to learn all the following from scratch:

- Python
- ② JavaScript
- WebFrame works Django, web.py
- Learning Alchemy.js and web.py
- I had some experience in Linux, git and github





Personal Learning

- Exploring and trying many softwares.
- Data visualization and Algorithms
- Building a web application
- Python and JavaScript in Depth





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