

# Analysis of weighted networks

## 3. Multiplication of networks

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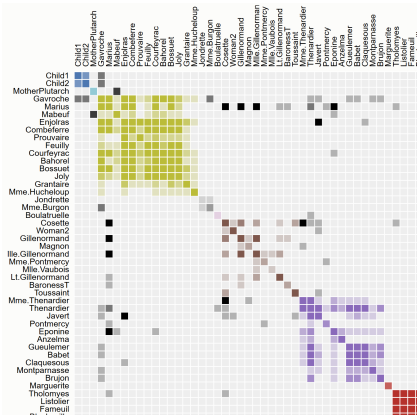
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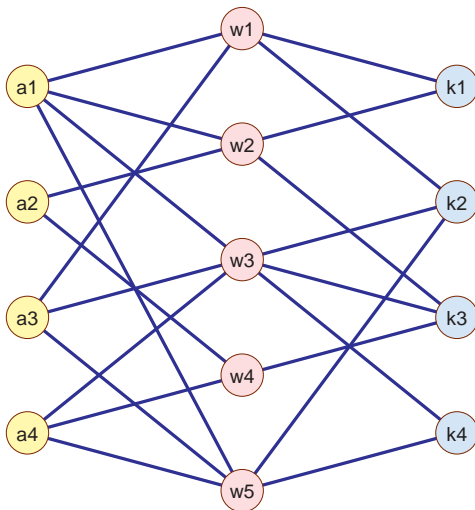
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```
> library(jsonlite); library(httr)
> # AW <- read_graph("AW.net",format="pajek")
> AW <- read_graph(paste0(nWdir,"/data/AW.net"),format="pajek")
> AW
> V(AW)[[]]
> E(AW)[[]]
> is_bipartite(AW)
> AW <- delete_vertex_attr(AW,"type")
> AW
> is_bipartite(AW)
> V(AW)$type <- bipartite_mapping(AW)$type
> is_bipartite(AW)
> AW$name <- "Authors-Works"
> AW$date <- date()
> AW$twomode <- TRUE
> AW
> plot(AW,main=AW$name)

> WK <- read_graph(WKfile,format="pajek")
> WK <- read_graph(paste0(nWdir,"/data/WK.net"),format="pajek")
> WK
```



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```
> davis <- read.csv(file.choose(), header=FALSE)
> D <- graph_from_data_frame(davis, directed=FALSE)
> V(D)$type <- bipartite_mapping(D)$type
> V(D)$name[19:32] <- paste("event-", 1:14, sep="")
> is_bipartite(D)
> D$name <- "Davis"; D$twomode <- TRUE
```



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```
> saveRDS(AW,file="AW.rds")
> AW1 <- readRDS(file="AW.rds")
> AW1
> write_graph_netsJSON(AW,file="AW.json")
> AW2 <- netsJSON_to_graph(fromJSON("AW.json"),directed=TRUE)
> AW2
> AW3 <- netsJSON_to_graph(fromJSON("AW.json"),directed=FALSE)
> AW3
> V(AW3) [[ ]]
> E(AW3) [[ ]]
> graph_attr(AW3)
```





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## Matrix – sparse matrices

```
as_sparse_matrix <- function(N,weight="weight"){  
  if(is_bipartite(N)) return(as_biadjacency_matrix(N,  
    attr=weight,sparse=TRUE))  
  return(as_adjacency_matrix(N,attr=weight,sparse=TRUE))  
}
```



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## Matrix – sparse matrices

# Multiplication of networks

To a simple (no parallel arcs) two-mode *network*  $\mathcal{N} = (\mathcal{I}, \mathcal{J}, \mathcal{A}, w)$ ; where  $\mathcal{I}$  and  $\mathcal{J}$  are sets of *nodes*,  $\mathcal{A}$  is a set of *arcs* linking  $\mathcal{I}$  and  $\mathcal{J}$ , and  $w : \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  (or some other semiring) is a *weight*; we can assign a *network matrix*  $\mathbf{W} = [w_{i,j}]$  with elements:  $w_{i,j} = w(i,j)$  for  $(i,j) \in \mathcal{A}$  and  $w_{i,j} = 0$  otherwise.

Given a pair of compatible networks  $\mathcal{N}_A = (\mathcal{I}, \mathcal{K}, \mathcal{A}_A, w_A)$  and  $\mathcal{N}_B = (\mathcal{K}, \mathcal{J}, \mathcal{A}_B, w_B)$  with corresponding matrices  $\mathbf{A}_{\mathcal{I} \times \mathcal{K}}$  and  $\mathbf{B}_{\mathcal{K} \times \mathcal{J}}$  we call a *product of networks*  $\mathcal{N}_A$  and  $\mathcal{N}_B$  a network  $\mathcal{N}_C = (\mathcal{I}, \mathcal{J}, \mathcal{A}_C, w_C)$ , where  $\mathcal{A}_C = \{(i,j) : i \in \mathcal{I}, j \in \mathcal{J}, c_{i,j} \neq 0\}$  and  $w_C(i,j) = c_{i,j}$  for  $(i,j) \in \mathcal{A}_C$ . The product matrix  $\mathbf{C} = [c_{i,j}]_{\mathcal{I} \times \mathcal{J}} = \mathbf{A} * \mathbf{B}$  is defined in the standard way

$$c_{i,j} = \sum_{k \in \mathcal{K}} a_{i,k} \cdot b_{k,j}$$

In the case when  $\mathcal{I} = \mathcal{K} = \mathcal{J}$  we are dealing with ordinary one-mode networks (with square matrices).

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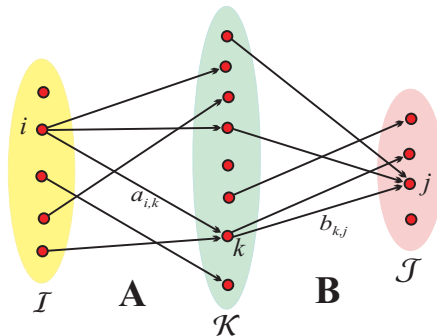
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$$c_{i,j} = \sum_{k \in N_A(i) \cap N_B^-(j)} a_{i,k} \cdot b_{k,j}$$

If all weights in networks  $\mathcal{N}_A$  and  $\mathcal{N}_B$  are equal to 1 the value of  $c_{i,j}$  counts the number of ways we can go from  $i \in \mathcal{I}$  to  $j \in \mathcal{J}$  passing through  $\mathcal{K}$ ,  $c_{i,j} = |N_A(i) \cap N_B^-(j)|$ .



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The standard matrix multiplication has the complexity  $O(|\mathcal{I}| \cdot |\mathcal{K}| \cdot |\mathcal{J}|)$  – it is too slow to be used for large networks. For sparse large networks we can multiply much faster considering only nonzero elements.

```
for  $k$  in  $\mathcal{K}$  do  
  for  $(i,j)$  in  $N_A^-(k) \times N_B(k)$  do  
    if  $\exists c_{i,j}$  then  $c_{i,j} := c_{i,j} + a_{i,k} \cdot b_{k,j}$   
    else new  $c_{i,j} := a_{i,k} \cdot b_{k,j}$ 
```

## Networks/Multiply Networks

In general the multiplication of large sparse networks is a 'dangerous' operation since the result can 'explode' – it is not sparse.

From the network multiplication algorithm we see that each intermediate node  $k \in \mathcal{K}$  adds to a product network a complete two-mode subgraph  $K_{N_A^-(k), N_B(k)}$  (or, in the case  $\mathcal{I} = \mathcal{J}$ , a complete subgraph  $K_{N(k)}$ ). If both degrees  $\deg_A(k) = |N_A^-(k)|$  and  $\deg_B(k) = |N_B(k)|$  are large then already the computation of this complete subgraph has a quadratic (time and space) complexity – the result 'explodes'.

If at least one of the sparse networks  $\mathcal{N}_A$  and  $\mathcal{N}_B$  has small maximal degree on  $\mathcal{K}$  then also the resulting product network  $\mathcal{N}_C$  is sparse.

If for the sparse networks  $\mathcal{N}_A$  and  $\mathcal{N}_B$  there are in  $\mathcal{K}$  only few nodes with large degree and no one among them with large degree in both networks then also the resulting product network  $\mathcal{N}_C$  is sparse.

Often we transform a two-mode network  $\mathcal{N} = (\mathcal{U}, \mathcal{V}, \mathcal{E}, w)$  into an ordinary (one-mode) network  $\mathcal{N}_1 = (\mathcal{U}, \mathcal{E}_1, w_1)$  or/and  $\mathcal{N}_2 = (\mathcal{V}, \mathcal{E}_2, w_2)$ , where  $\mathcal{E}_1$  and  $w_1$  are determined by the matrix  $\mathbf{W}^{(1)} = \mathbf{W}\mathbf{W}^T$ ,

$$w_{uv}^{(1)} = \sum_{z \in \mathcal{V}} w_{uz} \cdot w_{zv}^T = \sum_{z \in \mathcal{V}} w_{uz} \cdot w_{vz}.$$

Evidently  $w_{uv}^{(1)} = w_{vu}^{(1)}$ . There is an edge  $(u : v) \in \mathcal{E}_1$  in  $\mathcal{N}_1$  iff  $N(u) \cap N(v) \neq \emptyset$ . Its weight is  $w_1(u, v) = w_{uv}^{(1)}$ .

The network  $\mathcal{N}_2$  is determined in a similar way by the matrix  $\mathbf{W}^{(2)} = \mathbf{W}^T \mathbf{W}$ .

The networks  $\mathcal{N}_1$  and  $\mathcal{N}_2$  are analyzed using standard methods.

Network/2-Mode Network/2-Mode to 1-Mode/Rows

**WA** – works  $\times$  authors – authorship network

**WK** – works  $\times$  keywords

**Ci** – works  $\times$  works – citation network

**AK** = **WA**<sup>T</sup> \* **WK** – authors  $\times$  keywords

**Co** = **WA**<sup>T</sup> \* **WA** – coauthorship

**ACi** = **WA**<sup>T</sup> \* **Ci** \* **WA** – citations between authors

$co_{ij}$  = the number of works that authors  $i$  and  $j$  wrote together

It holds:  $co_{ij} = co_{ji}$ . Using the weights  $co_{ij}$  we can determine the Salton's cosine similarity or Ochiai coefficient between authors  $i$  and  $j$  as

$$S(i, j) = \cos(i, j) = \frac{co_{ij}}{\sqrt{co_{ii}co_{jj}}}$$



The Salton index has the following properties

- 1  $S(i, j) \in [-1, 1]$
- 2  $S(i, j) = S(j, i)$
- 3  $S(i, i) = 1$
- 4  $wa_{pi} \in \mathbb{R}_0^+ \Rightarrow S(u, t) \in [0, 1]$
- 5  $S(\alpha i, \beta j) = S(i, j), \quad \alpha, \beta > 0$
- 6  $S(\alpha i, i) = 1, \quad \alpha > 0$

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$$\mathbf{W}\mathbf{A}^T \cdot \mathbf{W}\mathbf{K}$$

For vectors  $x = [x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n]$  and  $y = [y_1, y_2, \dots, y_m]$  their *outer product*  $x \circ y$  is defined as a matrix

$$x \circ y = [x_i \cdot y_j]_{n \times m}$$

then we can express the previous observation about the structure of product network as the *outer product decomposition*

$$\mathbf{C} = \mathbf{A} \cdot \mathbf{B} = \sum_k \mathbf{H}_k \quad \text{where} \quad \mathbf{H}_k = \mathbf{A}[k, \cdot] \circ \mathbf{B}[k, \cdot]$$

For binary (weights) networks we have  $\mathbf{H}_k = K_{N_A^-(k), N_B(k)}$ .

# Example A

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As an example let us take the binary network matrices **WA** and **WK**:

$$\mathbf{WA} = \begin{matrix} & a_1 & a_2 & a_3 & a_4 \\ \begin{matrix} w_1 \\ w_2 \\ w_3 \\ w_4 \\ w_5 \end{matrix} & \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \end{matrix}, \quad \mathbf{WK} = \begin{matrix} & k_1 & k_2 & k_3 & k_4 \\ \begin{matrix} w_1 \\ w_2 \\ w_3 \\ w_4 \\ w_5 \end{matrix} & \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \end{matrix}$$

and compute the product  $\mathbf{H} = \mathbf{WA}^T \cdot \mathbf{WK}$ . We get a network matrix **H** which can be decomposed as

$$\begin{array}{c} \mathbf{H} \end{array} \begin{array}{c} k_1 \quad k_2 \quad k_3 \quad k_4 \\ \begin{bmatrix} a_1 & 2 & 3 & 2 & 2 \\ a_2 & 1 & 0 & 2 & 0 \\ a_3 & 1 & 3 & 1 & 2 \\ a_4 & 0 & 2 & 2 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \end{array} = \begin{array}{c} \mathbf{H}_1 \end{array} \begin{array}{c} k_1 \quad k_2 \quad k_3 \quad k_4 \\ \begin{bmatrix} a_1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ a_2 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ a_3 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ a_4 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \end{array} + \begin{array}{c} \mathbf{H}_2 \end{array} \begin{array}{c} k_1 \quad k_2 \quad k_3 \quad k_4 \\ \begin{bmatrix} a_1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ a_2 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ a_3 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ a_4 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{c} \mathbf{H}_3 \end{array} \begin{array}{c} k_1 \quad k_2 \quad k_3 \quad k_4 \\ \begin{bmatrix} a_1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ a_2 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ a_3 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ a_4 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \end{array} + \begin{array}{c} \mathbf{H}_4 \end{array} \begin{array}{c} k_1 \quad k_2 \quad k_3 \quad k_4 \\ \begin{bmatrix} a_1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ a_2 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ a_3 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ a_4 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \end{array} + \begin{array}{c} \mathbf{H}_5 \end{array} \begin{array}{c} k_1 \quad k_2 \quad k_3 \quad k_4 \\ \begin{bmatrix} a_1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ a_2 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ a_3 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ a_4 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \end{array}$$

We can use the multiplication to obtain new networks from existing *compatible* two-mode networks. For example, from basic bibliographic networks  $\mathbf{VA}$  and  $\mathbf{WK}$  we get

$$\mathbf{AK} = \mathbf{VA}^T \cdot \mathbf{WK}$$

a network relating authors to keywords used in their works, and

$$\mathbf{Ca} = \mathbf{VA}^T \cdot \mathbf{Ci} \cdot \mathbf{VA}$$

is a network of citations between authors.

Networks obtained from existing networks using some operations are called *derived* networks. They are very important in analysis of collections of *linked* networks.

What is the meaning of the product network? In general we could consider weights, addition and multiplication over a selected semiring [?]. In this paper we will limit our attention to the traditional addition and multiplication of real numbers.

The weight  $\mathbf{AK}[a, k]$  is equal to the number of times the author  $a$  used the keyword  $k$  in his/her works.

Using network multiplication we can also transform a given two-mode network, for example  $\mathbf{WA}$ , into corresponding ordinary one-mode networks (*projections*)

$$\mathbf{WW} = \mathbf{WA} \cdot \mathbf{WA}^T \quad \text{and} \quad \mathbf{AA} = \mathbf{WA}^T \cdot \mathbf{WA}$$

The obtained projections can be analyzed using standard network analysis methods. This is a traditional recipe how to analyze two-mode networks. Often the weights are not considered in the analysis; and when they are considered we have to be very careful about their meaning.

The weight  $\mathbf{WW}[p, q]$  is equal to the number of common authors of works  $p$  and  $q$ .

The weight  $\mathbf{AA}[a, b]$  is equal to the number of works that author  $a$  and  $b$  coauthored. In a special case when  $a = b$  it is equal to the number of works that the author  $a$  wrote. The network  $\mathbf{AA}$  is describing the *coauthorship* (collaboration) between authors and is also denoted as  $\mathbf{Co}$  – the “first” coauthorship network.

In the paper [?] it was shown that there can be problems with the network **Co** when we try to use it for identifying the most collaborative authors. By the outer product decomposition the coauthorship network **Co** is composed of complete subgraphs on the set of work's coauthors. Works with many authors produce large complete subgraphs, thus blurring the collaboration structure, and are over-represented by its total weight. To see this, let  $S_x = \sum_i x_i$  and  $S_y = \sum_j y_j$  then the *contribution* of the outer product  $x \circ y$  is equal

$$T = \sum_{i,j} (x \circ y)_{ij} = \sum_i \sum_j x_i \cdot y_j = \sum_i x_i \cdot \sum_j y_j = S_x \cdot S_y$$

In general each term  $\mathbf{H}_w$  in the outer product decomposition of the product **C** has different total weight  $T(\mathbf{H}_w) = \sum_{a,k} (\mathbf{H}_w)_{ak}$  leading to over-representation of works with large values. In the case of coauthorship network **Co** we have  $S(\mathbf{WA}[w, .]) = \text{outdeg}_{\mathbf{WA}}(w)$  and therefore  $T(\mathbf{H}_w) = \text{outdeg}_{\mathbf{WA}}(w)^2$ . To resolve the problem we apply the fractional approach.

To make the contributions of all works equal we can apply the *fractional* approach by normalizing the weights: setting  $x' = x/S_x$  and  $y' = y/S_y$  we get  $S_{x'} = S_{y'} = 1$  and therefore  $T(\mathbf{H}'_w) = 1$  for all works  $w$ .

In the case of two-mode networks  $\mathbf{WA}$  and  $\mathbf{WK}$  we denote

$$S_w^{\mathbf{WA}} = \begin{cases} \sum_a \mathbf{WA}[w, a] & \text{outdeg}_{\mathbf{WA}}(w) > 0 \\ 1 & \text{outdeg}_{\mathbf{WA}}(w) = 0 \end{cases}$$

(and similarly  $S_w^{\mathbf{WK}}$ ) and define the *normalized* matrices

$$\mathbf{WAN} = \text{diag}\left(\frac{1}{S_w^{\mathbf{WA}}}\right) \cdot \mathbf{WA}, \quad \mathbf{WKN} = \text{diag}\left(\frac{1}{S_w^{\mathbf{WK}}}\right) \cdot \mathbf{WK}$$

In real life networks  $\mathbf{WA}$  (or  $\mathbf{WK}$ ) it can happen that some work has no author. In such a case  $S_w^{\mathbf{WA}} = \sum_a \mathbf{WA}[w, a] = 0$  which makes problems in the definition of the normalized network  $\mathbf{WAN}$ . We can bypass the problem by setting  $S_w^{\mathbf{WA}} = 1$ , as we did in the above definition.



Then the *normalized product* matrix is  $\mathbf{AKt} = \mathbf{WAn}^T \cdot \mathbf{WKn}$ .

Denoting  $\mathbf{F}_w = \frac{1}{s_w^{\mathbf{WA}} s_w^{\mathbf{WK}}} \mathbf{H}_w$  the outer product decomposition gets form

$$\mathbf{AKt} = \sum_w \mathbf{F}_w$$

Since

$$T(\mathbf{F}_w) = \begin{cases} 1 & (\text{outdeg}_{\mathbf{WA}}(w) > 0) \wedge (\text{outdeg}_{\mathbf{WK}}(w) > 0) \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

we have further

$$\sum_{a,k} \mathbf{F}[a, k] = \sum_{a,k} \sum_w \mathbf{F}_w[a, k] = \sum_w T(\mathbf{F}_w) = |W^+|$$

where  $W^+ = \{w \in W : (\text{outdeg}_{\mathbf{WA}}(w) > 0) \wedge (\text{outdeg}_{\mathbf{WK}}(w) > 0)\}$ .

In the network  $\mathbf{AKt}$ , the contribution of each work to the bibliography is 1. These contributions are redistributed to arcs from authors to keywords.



# Normalizations

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```
normalize_matrix_Markov <- function(M)
normalize_matrix_Newman <- function(M)
normalize_matrix_Balassa <- function(M)
normalize_matrix_activity <- function(M)
```

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For matrices from Example A we get the corresponding diagonal normalization matrices

$$\text{diag}\left(\frac{1}{S_w^{\mathbf{WA}}}\right) = \begin{matrix} & w_1 & w_2 & w_3 & w_4 & w_5 \\ \begin{matrix} w_1 \\ w_2 \\ w_3 \\ w_4 \\ w_5 \end{matrix} & \begin{bmatrix} 1/2 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1/2 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1/3 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1/2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1/3 \end{bmatrix} \end{matrix}$$

$$\text{diag}\left(\frac{1}{S_w^{\mathbf{WK}}}\right) = \begin{matrix} & w_1 & w_2 & w_3 & w_4 & w_5 \\ \begin{matrix} w_1 \\ w_2 \\ w_3 \\ w_4 \\ w_5 \end{matrix} & \begin{bmatrix} 1/2 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1/2 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1/3 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1/2 \end{bmatrix} \end{matrix}$$

compute the normalized matrices

$a_1$

$a_2$

$a_3$

$a_4$

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$k_1$

$k_2$

$k_3$

outer products such as

$$\mathbf{F}_1 = \begin{matrix} & \begin{matrix} k_1 & k_2 & k_3 & k_4 \end{matrix} \\ \begin{matrix} a_1 \\ a_2 \\ a_3 \\ a_4 \end{matrix} & \begin{bmatrix} 1/4 & 1/4 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1/4 & 1/4 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \end{matrix}$$

$$\mathbf{F}_5 = \begin{matrix} & \begin{matrix} k_1 & k_2 & k_3 & k_4 \end{matrix} \\ \begin{matrix} a_1 \\ a_2 \\ a_3 \\ a_4 \end{matrix} & \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1/6 & 0 & 1/6 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1/6 & 0 & 1/6 \\ 0 & 1/6 & 0 & 1/6 \end{bmatrix} \end{matrix}$$

and finally the product matrix  $\mathbf{AKt} = \mathbf{WAN}^T \cdot \mathbf{WKn} =$

$$\sum_{w=1}^5 \mathbf{F}_w = \begin{matrix} & \begin{matrix} k_1 & k_2 & k_3 & k_4 \end{matrix} \\ \begin{matrix} a_1 \\ a_2 \\ a_3 \\ a_4 \end{matrix} & \begin{bmatrix} 0.50000 & 0.52778 & 0.36111 & 0.27778 \\ 0.25000 & 0.00000 & 0.75000 & 0.00000 \\ 0.25000 & 0.52778 & 0.11111 & 0.27778 \\ 0.00000 & 0.27778 & 0.61111 & 0.27778 \end{bmatrix} \end{matrix}$$



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Let  $\mathbf{N}$  be the normalized version  $\forall p \in W : \sum_{i \in A} n_{pi} \in \{0, 1\}$  obtained from  $\mathbf{WA}$  by  $n_{pi} = wa_{pi} / \max(1, \text{outdeg}_{WA}(p))$ , or by some other rule determining the author's contribution – the *fractional* approach. Then the *normalized co-authorship network* is

$$\mathbf{Cn} = \mathbf{N}^T \cdot \mathbf{N}$$

$cn_{ij}$  = the total contribution of 'collaboration' of authors  $i$  and  $j$  to works.

It holds  $cn_{ij} = cn_{ji}$  and  $\sum_{i \in A} \sum_{j \in A} n_{pi} n_{pj} = 1$ .

The total contribution of a complete subgraph corresponding to the authors of a work  $p$  is 1.

$$\sum_{i \in A} \sum_{j \in A} cn_{ij} = |W|$$

Newman defined a *strict normalization*  $\mathbf{N}'$  obtained from  $\mathbf{WA}$  by  $n'_{pi} = wa_{pi} / \max(1, \text{outdeg}_{\mathbf{WA}}(p) - 1)$ . Then the *normalized strict co-authorship network* is

$$\mathbf{Cn}' = \mathbf{N}^T \cdot \mathbf{N}'$$

The diagonal (loops) of the so-obtained network  $\mathbf{Cn}'$  is set to 0.

The network  $\mathbf{Cn}'$  doesn't consider the contribution of single-author works.



### OpenAlex, client-libraries, OpenAlex2Pajek

```
> setwd(wdir <- "C:/Users/vlado/docs/papers/2025/AS/AMC")
> library(httr); library(jsonlite)
> source("https://raw.githubusercontent.com/bavla/Rnet/master/R/Pajek.R")
> source("https://raw.githubusercontent.com/bavla/OpenAlex/main/code/OpenAlex2Pajek.R")
> sID <- "S61442588"
> R <- OpenAlexSources(sID,step=250)
OpenAlex2Pajek / Sources Mon May 26 05:59:58 2025
...
865 source S61442588 works collected Mon May 26 06:00:00 2025
...
5231 citing works collected Mon May 26 06:05:46 2025
...
12530 cited works collected Mon May 26 06:05:54 2025
12758 different works Mon May 26 06:05:54 2025
> csv <- file("worksAMC.csv","w",encoding="UTF-8")
> write(R,sep="\n",file=csv)
> close(csv)
```





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```
> OpenAlex2PajekAll(NULL,name="AMC",listF="worksAMC.csv")
OpenAlex2Pajek / All - Start Mon May 26 06:10:05 2025
*** OpenAlex2Pajek / All - Process Mon May 26 06:10:05 2025
Mon May 26 06:13:38 2025  n = 500
Mon May 26 06:16:25 2025  n = 1000
...
Mon May 26 07:19:31 2025  n = 12500
*** OpenAlex2Pajek / All - Data Collected Mon May 26 07:20:44 2025
hits: 12758 works: 137751 authors: 10849 anon: 185 sources: 1192
>>> Citation Cite
>>> publication year
>>> type of publication
>>> language of publication
>>> cited by count
>>> countries distinct count
>>> referenced works
>>> Authorship WA
>>> Sources WJ
>>> Countries WC
>>> Keywords WK
*** OpenAlex2Pajek / All - Stop Mon May 26 07:21:54 2025
```



# Analysis

works published by the journal

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We first clean the networks **Ci**, **WA**, **WJ**, ..., removing multiple links and loops.

The product  $\mathbf{u} = \mathbf{A} \cdot \mathbf{v}$  of the network **A** with the vector **v** is defined as

$$u_i = \sum_{j:(i,j) \in L} A_{ij} \cdot v_j$$

We need the index  $j$  of the node `source = "S61442588"` representing AMC in the set of journals **J**. We can get it from **WJ**: `is <- which(V(WJ)$name==source)` and  $j = is - nW = 15$ .

We start with the set  $W_j$  of all works published by the journal  $j$ .

$$W_j = \{w : WJ[w, j] > 0\}$$

Let  $\mathbf{w}_j$  be its characteristic vector. Then  $\mathbf{w}_j = \mathbf{WJ} \cdot [j]$  where  $[j]$  is a vector over  $J$  having 1 at the  $j$ th place. We create the vector  $[j]$



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```
> library(httr); library(jsonlite); library(pryr)
> OAdir <- "https://raw.githubusercontent.com/bavla/OpenAlex/"
> OAdata <- paste0(OAdir,"refs/heads/main/data/")
> OACode <- paste0(OAdir,"main/code/")
> source(paste0(OACode,"OpenAlex2Pajek.R"))

> WA <- read_graph(paste0(OAdata,"AMC/WA.net"),format="pajek")
> (nW <- sum(!V(WA)$type))
> (nA <- sum(V(WA)$type))

> (x <- exp(1))    # space needed
> bytes(x)
[1] "40 05 BF 0A 8B 14 57 69"
> as.integer(object.size(WA))/nW/nA/8
[1] 0.001895938

> WJ <- read_graph(paste0(OAdata,"AMC/WJ.net"),format="pajek")
> (nJ <- sum(V(WJ)$type))
> Ci <- read_graph(paste0(OAdata,"AMC/Ci.net"),format="pajek")

> source <- "S61442588" # OA id of ACM
> (is <- which(V(WJ)$name==source))
[1] 137766
> s <- rep(0,nJ); s[is-nW] <- 1
> MWJ <- as_sparse_matrix(WJ)
> Wj <- MWJ %*% s
> sum(Wj)
[1] 865
```



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## works citing

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Next, for the set  $W_j$ , we determine the set  $W_I$  of citing works and the set  $W_O$  of cited works.

$$W_I = \{w : \exists z \in W_j : Ci[w, z] > 0\} \quad \text{and} \quad W_O = \{w : \exists z \in W_j : Ci[z, w] > 0\}$$

The vectors  $\mathbf{d}_I = \mathbf{C}\mathbf{i} \cdot \mathbf{w}_j$  and  $\mathbf{d}_O = \mathbf{C}\mathbf{i}^T \cdot \mathbf{w}_j$

$$d_I(i) = \sum_k Ci[i, k] \cdot w_j(k), \quad d_O(i) = \sum_k Ci^T[i, k] \cdot w_j(k) = \sum_k Ci[k, i] \cdot w_j(k)$$

count:  $d_I(i)$  - how many works from  $W_j$  are cited by the work  $i$ ; and  $d_O(i)$  - how many works from  $W_j$  are citing the work  $i$ .

Inspect the vector  $d_I$ . We list the largest 20 nodes. We will collect from OpenAlex the additional information about the selected works. It turns out that the authors' names are not directly accessible as a data field - they are contained inside the field "authorships". To extract them, we use the function `authors` embedded in the function `unitsInfo`.



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## adding information

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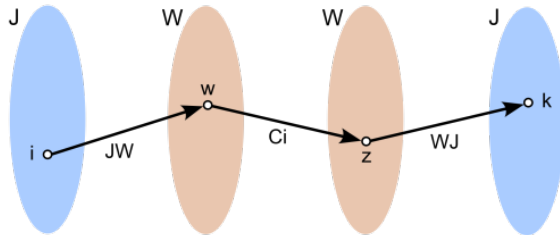
Now we are ready to get the information about the selected works. Some data ("authors" and "title") can be very long. To get a readable report we truncate them.

```
> MCi <- as_sparse_matrix(Ci); namCi <- rownames(MCi)
> dI <- MCi %*% Wj
> p <- order(dI,decreasing=TRUE)
> selI <- p[1:20]
> (topI <- cbind(selI,namCi[selI],dI[selI]))
> selW <- paste0("id,language,countries_distinct_count,cited_by_count,",
+ "relevance_score,publication_year,title,authorships")
> IWi <- unitsInfo(IDs=namCi[selI],units="works",select=selW,order="input")
> rep <- data.frame(id=IWi$id,cdc=IWi$countries_distinct_count,
+ cby=IWi$cited_by_count,dI=dI[selI],year=IWi$publication_year,
+ authors=substr(authors(IWi),1,35),title=substr(IWi$title,1,45))
> rep
```

Some improvements: add source; in names, use only the last name, or initials + last name; ...

We can check selected works - for example **W1846554597**.

Using the same approach as for **d<sub>I</sub>**, we get also results for **d<sub>O</sub>**.



$$JJ = WJ^T \cdot Ci \cdot WJ$$

$JJ[i, k] = \#$  of citations of a work from journal  $i$  to a work from journal  $k \equiv \#$  of times journal  $i$  cites journal  $k$ .

$n_{JJ} = 1192$ ,  $m_{JJ}^A = 20011$ , and 234 loops.

Inspecting the weights, we select the threshold  $t = 100$ . We make a link cut at level  $t$ .

There is a problem – "unitsInfo" doesn't like the source "Sunknown". We replace it with resource 1 (duplicated). Now it works.



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```
> MJJ <- crossprod(MWJ,MCi) %*% MWJ
> nJJ <- nrow(MJJ); mJJ <- sum(MJJ>0); kJJ <- sum(diag(MJJ)>0)
> JJ <- graph_from_adjacency_matrix(MJJ,mode="directed",weighted=TRUE)
> JJ$project <- "Ars Mathematica Contemporanea"
> JJ$name <- "journal citation network"
> JJ$date <- date()
> JJ$by <- "Vladimir Batagelj"
> saveRDS(JJ,file="AMC_JJ.rds")

> w <- E(simplify(JJ))$weight
> r <- order(w,decreasing=TRUE)
> w[r[1:100]]
> LC <- link_cut(simplify(JJ),atn="weight",100)
> (S <- V(LC)$name)
> un <- 3; S[un] <- S[1] # unknown
> selS <- "id,issn_l,country_code,type,is_oa,cited_by_count,
+   works_count,display_name"
> IS <- unitsInfo(IDs=S,units="sources",select=selS,order="input")
> IS$display_name[un] <- IS$id[un] <- "Sunknown"; IS$issn_l[un] <- NA
> rep <- data.frame(id=IS$id,issn_l=IS$issn_l,journal=IS$display_name)
> rep
> V(LC)$source <- IS$display_name
> lo <- layout_with_dh(LC)
> plot(LC,layout=lo,edge.width=log(w),vertex.color="pink",
+   vertex.size=12,vertex.label=V(LC)$source,vertex.label.cex=0.7)
```

Shorten the journal titles: Mathematics, Mathematical, Mathematische, Mathematicae  $\rightarrow$  M; Combinatorics, Combinatorial  $\rightarrow$  Comb; Computation, Computational  $\rightarrow$  Comp; Computer Science  $\rightarrow$  CS; Proceedings of the  $\rightarrow$  P; Transactions of the  $\rightarrow$  T; Bulletin of the  $\rightarrow$  B; Journal of  $\rightarrow$  J; Mathematical Society  $\rightarrow$  MS; Discrete  $\rightarrow$  Disc, etc.

There are other options to produce an "interesting" subnetwork

- Extract the node cut for weighted degree at selected level.
- Determine the set of "interesting" nodes as a weighted degree core (Ps-core).





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$$\mathbf{ACiA} = \mathbf{WA}^T \cdot \mathbf{Ci} \cdot \mathbf{WA}$$

$ACiA[a, b]$  = # of citations of a work of author  $a$  to a work of author  $b$   
 $b \equiv$  # of times author  $a$  cites author  $b$ .

$n_{ACiA} = 10849$ ,  $m_{ACiA}^A = 248183$ , and 2251 loops.

Inspecting the weights we select the threshold  $t = 100$ . We make a link cut at level  $t$ .

To get a more readable network visualization, we have to replace IDs with the corresponding author names. The procedure is as in the case of journals.

### AMC authors

$$\mathbf{a}_j = \mathbf{WA}^T \cdot \mathbf{w}_j$$

$a_j(a)$  = # of works in the journal  $j$  co-authored by the author  $a$ .  
Again we need to replace IDs in the report by author names.



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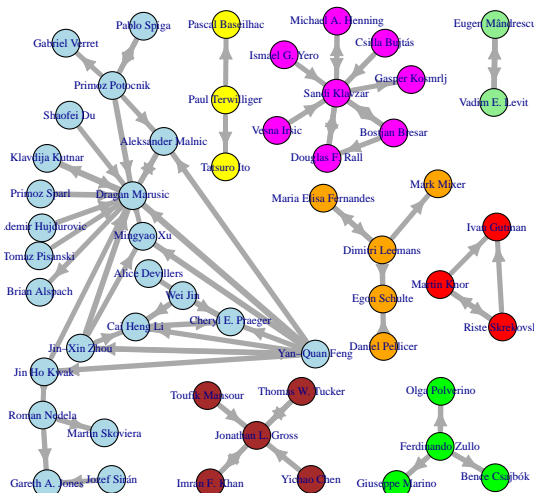
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- 1 Why is Spain the most attractive country?
- 2 How can the blue between less and high developed countries be reduced?
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- 4 Temporal version of the network.

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