Network Graph

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1 Cell Phone Records

The goal is to study a social network dataset (CellPhoneCallRecords.csv) that was released in part by the U.S. government. It consists of 400 unique cell phone identifications over a ten day period. Altogether, there are 9834 phone records with the following fields:

- Calling phone identifier
- Receiving phone identifier
- Date
- Time of day
- Call duration
- Cell tower closest to the call origin

The goal is to characterize the social structure over time for a **controversial sociopolitical movement**.

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In [1]: import pandas as pd
        records = pd.read_csv('./CellPhoneCallRecords.csv')
        records = records.set_index(records.columns[0])
        records[:5]
Out[1]:
                    From
                                    DateTime Duration.seconds.
                                                                 Cell.Tower
        Unnamed: 0
        1
                     349
                           23
                              6/1/2006 0:08
                                                           1634
                                                                          1
        2
                     379 364 6/1/2006 0:11
                                                            640
                                                                         24
                           27 6/1/2006 0:12
                                                                         29
        3
                     392
                                                           1182
                     17 339
                              6/1/2006 0:14
                                                            578
                                                                         23
                     272 251 6/1/2006 0:15
        5
                                                            887
                                                                         29
```

2 Quick Data Summaries

- Who are the nodes that call the most?
- And what is their average call duration?
- How does this compare to the average number of calls and duration overall?

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In [2]: # Group by the caller ID and aggregate the number of calls
        high_callers = records.groupby('From').count()['To'].sort_values(ascending=False)[:10]
        high_caller_records = records[records['From'].isin(list(high_callers.keys()))]
        duration = high_caller_records.groupby('From').mean()['Duration.seconds.']
        high_callers_table = pd.concat([high_callers, duration], axis=1)
        high_callers_table.columns = ['Number of Calls', 'Average Duration']
        calls_per_person = records.groupby('From').count()['To']
        mean_calls = str(calls_per_person.mean())
        median_calls = str(calls_per_person.median())
        mean_duration = str(records.mean()['Duration.seconds.'])
        median_duration = str(records.median()['Duration.seconds.'])
        print("For comparison, \n")
        print("
                   number of calls:\n
                                            mean - " + mean_calls + "; median - " + median_cal
        print("")
        print("
                   the average duration of calls:\n mean - " + mean_duration + "; median
        high_callers_table
For comparison,
    number of calls:
        mean - 24.585; median - 25.0
    the average duration of calls:
         mean - 1065.25096604; median - 1064.5
Out[2]:
              Number of Calls Average Duration
        From
        58
                           38
                                    1069.868421
        59
                           36
                                    1091.333333
                           38
                                    1122.026316
        66
        104
                           36
                                    1102.72222
                           37
        118
                                    1079.270270
        176
                           36
                                    1039.222222
        228
                           38
                                    1120.368421
        230
                           38
                                    1040.578947
        259
                           36
                                    1008.888889
        350
                           36
                                    1158.583333
```

3 In vs. Out Degree

Identify, for each node, the number of links into and out of the node. This is often used as a node's degree of influence within their immediate "neighborhood"

It looks like three nodes of special interest can be identified from this plot: 0, 1, and 5

4 Network Analysis and Plotting

We can identify 3 nodes, but should look to see two more... Let's find this by using NetworkX, a graph library in Python. We were told that Node #200 is a node of special interest, so let's construct the network graph and then the ego graph of node 200.

An "Ego" is an individual "focal" node. We can draw the network around it.

For our graph construction * Nodes = Callers * Edges = Every call * Edge Weight = Call Duration

4.1 Betweenness Centrality

Betweenness Centrality is a measure of centrality, where the higher a node's "Betweenness Centrality", the more communication passes through that node. Therefore, the higher the Betweenness

Centrality, the higher the node's control over the network.

In our graph, we will use this as the node radius so we can easily identify the most central nodes.

4.2 Community Partitions

Are there separate communities in our graph? The best way to visualize this is to use the louvain method of community detection. We choose node colors based on their community

```
In [5]: from networkx.drawing.nx_agraph import graphviz_layout
    import community

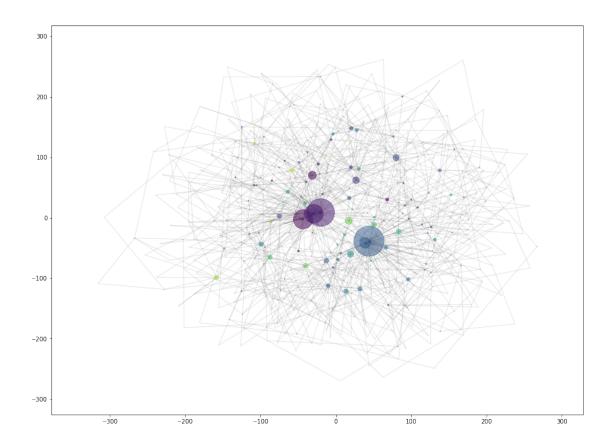
    %matplotlib inline
    import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
    fig=plt.figure(figsize=(16, 12))

    pos = graphviz_layout(G)
    bt = nx.betweenness_centrality_source(G, normalized=True, weight='weight', sources=nodes
    parts = community.best_partition(G)

    node_sizes = [ 50000*x*x for x in list(bt.values())]
    community_colors = list(parts.values())

    nx.draw_networkx_nodes(G, pos, node_size=node_sizes, node_color=community_colors, alpha=
    nx.draw_networkx_edges(G, pos, alpha=0.1, style='solid')

Out[5]: <matplotlib.collections.LineCollection at Ox7f3ed1a9f908>
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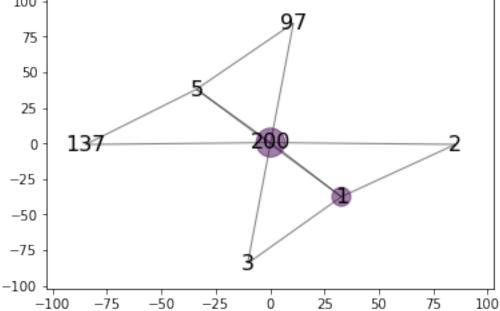
We've learned a couple things from our plotting: * There isn't a very strong segmentation in this network. Communities are sprinkled here and there. * Our strongest influencers are nodes: 5, 1, 0, 309, 306 * It is clear that the network revolves around a few central nodes

But Node 200 hasn't shown up. So why is it important?

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In [10]: ego = nx.ego_graph(G,200)

pos = graphviz_layout(ego)
bt2 = nx.betweenness_centrality_source(ego, normalized=True, weight='weight', sources=eparts2 = community.best_partition(ego)

node_sizes = [ 1000*x for x in list(bt2.values())]
community_colors = list(parts2.values())
```



Aha! Node 200 is actually a bridge node between the two most powerful nodes in our data: 1 and 5.

Given the results above, we should consider what are the leader nodes for each community and possibly who connects them.

In [8]: # For each community, what's the highest centrality?

 overall = { node: {
 'betweenness': bt[node],
 'community': parts[node]
 }
 for node in nodes}

 communities = list(set(parts.values()))

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node_df = pd.DataFrame.from_dict(overall, orient="index").reset_index()
node_df.sort_values(['betweenness'],ascending=False).groupby('community').first()
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Out[8]:		index	betweenness
	community		
	0	0	0.144507
	1	1	0.207617
	2	3	0.050088
	3	23	0.046234
	4	5	0.226527
	5	7	0.031719
	6	113	0.034219
	7	13	0.047122
	8	14	0.024893
	9	30	0.035736
	10	21	0.036341
	11	19	0.052386
	12	158	0.033280
	13	80	0.026939
	14	85	0.011033

5 Are there any behavior changes over time?

I have been provided the following prompt: > You have not-so-reliable intelligence that the leaders of the sociopolitical movement suspected the US of successfully spying on their calls. Can you spot any evidence that the key individuals changed their behavior at some point in time?

To identify any changes in behavior, let's aggregate at the date and node level: * Number of outbound calls * Number of inbound calls * Call Duration

With 10 days of information, we can probably calculate the mean and standard deviation, making note of any outliers. We also look at outbound calls instead of inbound because those are more controllable by user behavior. So we can see if there is a meaningful difference between the first 5 and last 5 days per node.

Using a t-statistic of 2.82 for an alpha of 0.005 (99% confidence).

def get_t_statistic(obs):

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In [59]: import datetime

    def string_to_date(date_string):
        day = date_string.split(' ')[0].split('/')[1]
        return int(day)

    records['date'] = records['DateTime'].apply(string_to_date)
    outbound_records = records.pivot_table(values='To', index='date', columns='From', aggfustart = outbound_records[:5]
    end = outbound_records[6:]
In [73]: from math import sqrt
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mean_diff = obs['start_mean'] - obs['end_mean']
    variance_start = (obs['start_std']**2)/len(obs)
    variance_end = (obs['end_std']**2)/len(obs)
    total_variance = sqrt(variance_start + variance_end)
    return abs(mean_diff/total_variance)
summary = pd.DataFrame.from_dict({
   a: dict(
       start_mean = start.mean()[a],
        end_mean = end.mean()[a],
        start_std = start.std()[a],
        end_std = end.std()[a],
        start_med = start.median()[a],
        end med = end.median()[a]
    ) for a in outbound_records
}, orient='index')
summary['t'] = summary.apply(lambda x: get_t_statistic(x), axis=1)
changers = summary[summary['t'] > 2.82].sort_values('t', ascending = False)
```

Using the difference between starting mean and ending mean, we have been able to find people who changed caller behavior from the beginning

