Marvel Social Network Analysis

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DATASET:

The Marvel Universal Social Network: https://www.kaggle.com/csanhueza/the-marvel-universe-social-network.

The dataset contains heroes and comics, and the relationship between them. The dataset is divided into three files: node types (hero, comic), edges (which comic the heroes appear) and hero-edge (heroes which appear together in the comics).

PROBLEM DESCRIPTION:

There are hundreds of thousands of heroes in the Marvel Universe and they appear in an extensive list of comics. I'm interested in learning the relationship among heroes and how they appear in comics.

There are several questions that I will analyze this social network to figure out the answers:

- What are the most popular heroes in Marvel comics?
- Which heroes usually appear together?
- How the teams are formed and the connections between members?

GENERAL APPROACH:

I will explore this social network problem by evaluating the network size, density, centralization, reciprocity and hierarchy of different levels of network:

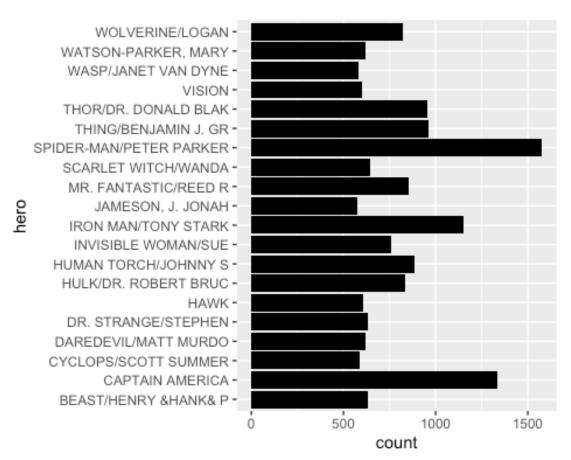
- Node: node level analysis to understand which nodes have higher degree centrality in the network. By determining the betweenness centrality and closeness centrality, I could define the importance or position of each actor in the Marvel universe social network.
- Sub-group level: sub-group level analysis to detect communities in Marvel network by finding dense subgraph because the team expects the graph to be relatively dense with high connectivity.

```
library(ggplot2)
library(readr)
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(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
#### Import data
edges <- read.csv("~/Documents/Network class/Data Marvel/edges.csv")</pre>
hero.network <- read.csv("~/Documents/Network class/Data Marvel/hero-network.
csv", header=FALSE)
nodes <- read.csv("~/Documents/Network class/Data Marvel/nodes.csv")</pre>
```

```
head(edges, 10)
##
                      hero
                              comic
## 1
      24-HOUR MAN/EMMANUEL
                             AA2 35
## 2 3-D MAN/CHARLES CHAN
                              AVF 4
## 3 3-D MAN/CHARLES CHAN
                              AVF 5
## 4 3-D MAN/CHARLES CHAN
                              COC 1
## 5 3-D MAN/CHARLES CHAN
                             H2 251
                             H2 252
## 6 3-D MAN/CHARLES CHAN
## 7 3-D MAN/CHARLES CHAN M/PRM 35
## 8 3-D MAN/CHARLES CHAN M/PRM 36
## 9 3-D MAN/CHARLES CHAN M/PRM 37
## 10 3-D MAN/CHARLES CHAN
                              WI? 9
head(hero.network, 10)
##
                        V1
                                             V2
## 1
                     hero1
                                           hero2
## 2
             LITTLE, ABNER
                                 PRINCESS ZANDA
## 3
             LITTLE, ABNER BLACK PANTHER/T'CHAL
## 4 BLACK PANTHER/T'CHAL
                                 PRINCESS ZANDA
             LITTLE, ABNER
## 5
                                 PRINCESS ZANDA
## 6
             LITTLE, ABNER BLACK PANTHER/T'CHAL
## 7
      BLACK PANTHER/T'CHAL
                                 PRINCESS ZANDA
## 8 STEELE, SIMON/WOLFGA
                               FORTUNE, DOMINIC
## 9 STEELE, SIMON/WOLFGA ERWIN, CLYTEMNESTRA
## 10 STEELE, SIMON/WOLFGA IRON MAN/TONY STARK
head(nodes, 10)
##
                      node type
## 1
                   2001 10 comic
## 2
                    2001 8 comic
## 3
                    2001 9 comic
## 4 24-HOUR MAN/EMMANUEL hero
## 5
     3-D MAN/CHARLES CHAN
                            hero
## 6
          4-D MAN/MERCURIO
                            hero
## 7
                   8-BALL/ hero
## 8
                     A '00 comic
                     A '01 comic
## 9
## 10
                     A 100 comic
```

```
# Get the dimension and see every column in dataframes
dim(edges) #there are 96104 observations of 2 variables
## [1] 96104
                                                      2
glimpse(edges)
## Rows: 96,104
## Columns: 2
## $ hero <chr> "24-HOUR MAN/EMMANUEL", "3-D MAN/CHARLES CHAN", "3-D MAN/CHA
## $ comic <chr> "AA2 35", "AVF 4", "AVF 5", "COC 1", "H2 251", "H2 252", "M/
PRM...
dim(hero.network) #there are 574468 observations of 2 variables
## [1] 574468
                                                            2
glimpse(hero.network)
## Rows: 574,468
## Columns: 2
## $ V1 <chr> "hero1", "LITTLE, ABNER", "LITTLE, ABNER", "BLACK PANTHER/T'CHA
## $ V2 <chr> "hero2", "PRINCESS ZANDA", "BLACK PANTHER/T'CHAL", "PRINCESS ZA
NDA...
dim(nodes) #there are 19090 observations of 2 variables
## [1] 19090
                                                      2
glimpse(nodes)
## Rows: 19,090
## Columns: 2
## $ node <chr> "2001 10", "2001 8", "2001 9", "24-HOUR MAN/EMMANUEL", "3-D M
## $ type <chr> "comic", "comic", "hero", "hero", "hero", "hero", "comic", "comic", "hero", "comic", "hero", "hero", "hero", "comic", "hero", 
omi...
```

```
# Top 5 heroes appear the most in all Marvel comics
edges top<-edges%>%select(hero)%>%group by(hero)%>%summarize(count=n())%>%arr
ange(desc(count))
edges_top<-as.data.frame(edges_top[1:20,])</pre>
head(edges top)
##
                        hero count
## 1 SPIDER-MAN/PETER PARKER 1577
## 2
             CAPTAIN AMERICA 1334
## 3
         IRON MAN/TONY STARK 1150
## 4
        THING/BENJAMIN J. GR
                                963
        THOR/DR. DONALD BLAK
## 5
                                956
        HUMAN TORCH/JOHNNY S
## 6
                                886
# Plot top 20 characters that have highest appearancy in Marvel comics
edges_top_plot<-edges%>%filter(hero%in%edges_top$hero)
g <- ggplot(edges_top_plot, aes(hero))</pre>
g + geom_bar(fill = "#000000")+coord_flip()
```



Create 3 sample graphs from the Marvel Social network

```
# Sample Social Network graph (1)
set.seed(1234)
herodf1 <- head(hero.network,100)
hero_g1<-graph_from_data_frame(herodf1, directed = F)
# Sample Social Network graph (2)
N <- 1600
hero.network2 <- hero.network[-(1:N), , drop = FALSE]
herodf2 <- head(hero.network2,100)
hero_g2<-graph_from_data_frame(herodf2, directed = F)

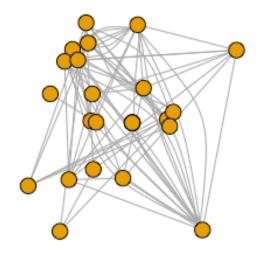
# Sample Social Network graph (3)
herodf3 <- tail(hero.network,100)
hero_g3<-graph_from_data_frame(herodf3, directed = F)</pre>
```

Analyze Social Network graph (1)

NODE ANALYSIS

```
# Check graph edges and vertices
V(hero_g1) #contents in vertices
## + 25/25 vertices, named, from a16951f:
## [1] hero1
                             LITTLE, ABNER
                                                  BLACK PANTHER/T'CHAL
## [4] STEELE, SIMON/WOLFGA RAVEN, SABBATH II/EL IRON MAN IV/JAMES R.
## [7] IRON MAN/TONY STARK ERWIN, CLYTEMNESTRA
                                                  PRINCESS ZANDA
## [10] CARNIVORE/COUNT ANDR GHOST
                                                  ZIMMER, ABE
## [13] FU MANCHU
                             SHANG-CHI
                                                  SMITH, SIR DENIS NAY
## [16] STARSHINE II/BRANDY MAN-THING/THEODORE T TARR, BLACK JACK
## [19] WU, LEIKO
                             JACKSON, STEVE
                                                  RESTON, CLIVE
## [22] ROM, SPACEKNIGHT
                                                  FORTUNE, DOMINIC
                             hero2
## [25] DOCTOR DREDD
```

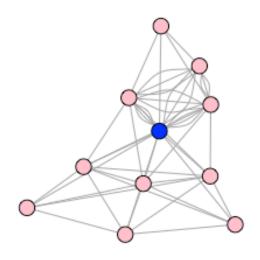
```
gorder(hero g1) # Count number of vertices
## [1] 25
E(hero_g1) #contents in edges
## + 100/100 edges from a16951f (vertex names):
## [1] hero1
                           --hero2
## [2] LITTLE, ABNER
                         --PRINCESS ZANDA
## [3] LITTLE, ABNER
                          --BLACK PANTHER/T'CHAL
## [4] BLACK PANTHER/T'CHAL--PRINCESS ZANDA
## [5] LITTLE, ABNER
                          --PRINCESS ZANDA
## [6] LITTLE, ABNER
                           --BLACK PANTHER/T'CHAL
## [7] BLACK PANTHER/T'CHAL--PRINCESS ZANDA
## [8] STEELE, SIMON/WOLFGA--FORTUNE, DOMINIC
## [9] STEELE, SIMON/WOLFGA--ERWIN, CLYTEMNESTRA
## [10] STEELE, SIMON/WOLFGA--IRON MAN/TONY STARK
## + ... omitted several edges
gsize(hero_g1)# Count number of edges
## [1] 100
# Measure the size of network
diameter(hero g1, directed=FALSE, weights=NA) #the Length of the Longest path
between two nodes is 4
## [1] 2
get_diameter(hero_g1, directed=FALSE, weights=NA) # identify the longest path
## + 3/25 vertices, named, from a16951f:
## [1] STEELE, SIMON/WOLFGA IRON MAN IV/JAMES R. GHOST
# Plot social networks
```



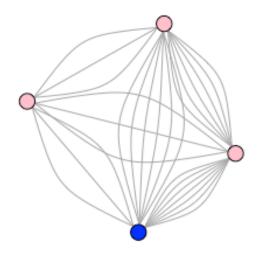
```
# Compute edge_density
edge_density(hero_g1)
## [1] 0.3333333
# Compute mean_distance of graph
mean_distance(hero_g1, directed = FALSE)
## [1] 1.3
# Compute clustering coefficient to find the probability that the adjacent ve
rtices of a vertex are connected
transitivity(hero_g1, type = "average")
## [1] 0.8881643
# Calculate the degree
hero_deg <- degree(hero_g1, mode = c("all"))</pre>
which.max(hero_deg)
## SMITH, SIR DENIS NAY
##
                     15
```

```
# Top 3 most popular
top<-mean(hero deg)+ 1.5*sd(hero deg)</pre>
length(hero_deg[hero_deg>top])
## [1] 3
hero_deg[hero_deg>top]
##
          LITTLE, ABNER BLACK PANTHER/T'CHAL SMITH, SIR DENIS NAY
##
                      16
                                            16
                                                                  18
# Calculate betweenness of each vertex to find the degree of which heroes sta
nd between each other
betw <- betweenness(hero g1, directed = F)</pre>
which.max(betw)
## SMITH, SIR DENIS NAY
##
                      15
# Betweeness of top most popular heroes
top<-mean(betw)+ 0.8*sd(betw)</pre>
length(betw[betw>top])
## [1] 3
betw[betw>top]
## IRON MAN IV/JAMES R. IRON MAN/TONY STARK SMITH, SIR DENIS NAY
##
                4.00000
                                       4.00000
                                                            11.62857
# Identify key nodes using eigenvector centrality to measure the influence of
a node in a network
g.ec <- eigen_centrality(hero_g1)</pre>
which.max(g.ec$vector)
## LITTLE, ABNER
##
                2
```

```
# Measure the influence of top most popular heroes
top<-mean(g.ec$vector)+ 1.8*sd(g.ec$vector)</pre>
length(g.ec$vector[g.ec$vector>top])
## [1] 3
g.ec$vector[g.ec$vector>top]
          LITTLE, ABNER BLACK PANTHER/T'CHAL
                                                     PRINCESS ZANDA
##
##
              1.0000000
                                    1.0000000
                                                          0.9513032
# Sir Denis Nayland Smith is having the most connections and control over the
network.
# Find who is around Sir Denis Nayland Smith?
g_sdennis <- make_ego_graph(hero_g1, diameter(hero_g1), nodes = 'SMITH, SIR D</pre>
ENIS NAY', mode = c("all"))[[1]]
V(g_sdennis)$color <- ifelse(V(g_sdennis)$name=="SMITH, SIR DENIS NAY","blue"</pre>
,"pink")
plot(g_sdennis, vertex.label=NA)
```



```
# Neighbors of Sir Denis Nayland Smith
unique(neighbors(hero g1, v=which(V(hero g1)$name=="SMITH, SIR DENIS NAY")))
## + 10/25 vertices, named, from a16951f:
## [1] FU MANCHU
                                                 STARSHINE II/BRANDY
                            SHANG-CHI
## [4] MAN-THING/THEODORE T TARR, BLACK JACK
                                                 WU, LEIKO
## [7] JACKSON, STEVE
                            RESTON, CLIVE
                                                 ROM, SPACEKNIGHT
## [10] DOCTOR DREDD
# Black Panther is the most influence character
# Find who is around Black Panther?
g blackpanther <- make ego graph(hero g1, diameter(hero g1), nodes = "BLACK P
ANTHER/T'CHAL", mode = c("all"))[[1]]
V(g_blackpanther)$color <- ifelse(V(g_blackpanther)$name=="BLACK PANTHER/T'CH
AL", "blue", "pink")
plot(g_blackpanther, vertex.label=NA)
```



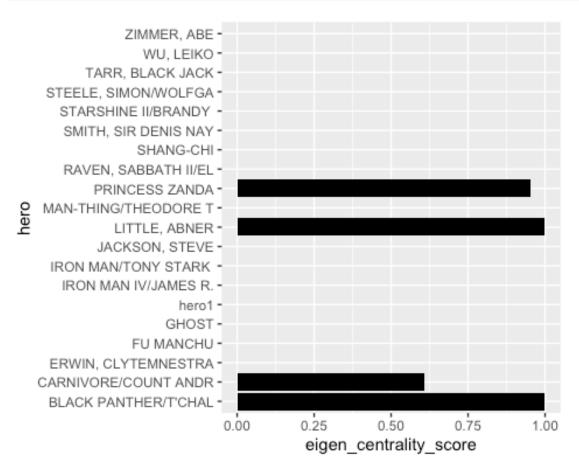
```
# Neighbors of Black Panther
unique(neighbors(hero_g1, v=which(V(hero_g1)$name=="BLACK PANTHER/T'CHAL")))
## + 3/25 vertices, named, from a16951f:
## [1] LITTLE, ABNER PRINCESS ZANDA CARNIVORE/COUNT ANDR
```

```
# Use centrality to summarize which Marvel characteristics have more connections than others

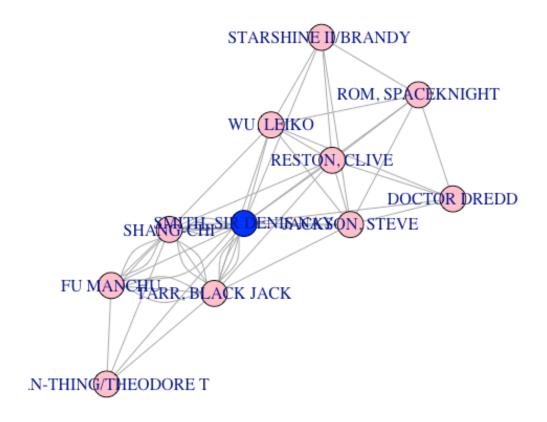
hero_g_eigen_centrality_people=as.data.frame(eigen_centrality(hero_g1)$vector)
hero_g_eigen_centrality_people$hero=rownames(hero_g_eigen_centrality_people)
rownames(hero_g_eigen_centrality_people)<-1:nrow(hero_g_eigen_centrality_people)
colnames(hero_g_eigen_centrality_people)<-c("eigen_centrality_score","hero")

# Identify which Marvel characteristics are more important than others in selected first 20 characters
hero_g_eigen_centrality_people_20<-hero_g_eigen_centrality_people[1:20,]

# According to eigen centrality score, Black Panther and Li'l Abner are the most influence nodes within this network
herro_connection <- ggplot(hero_g_eigen_centrality_people_20, aes(x=hero,y=eigen_centrality_score))
herro_connection + geom_bar(stat="identity", fill = "#000000")+coord_flip()</pre>
```

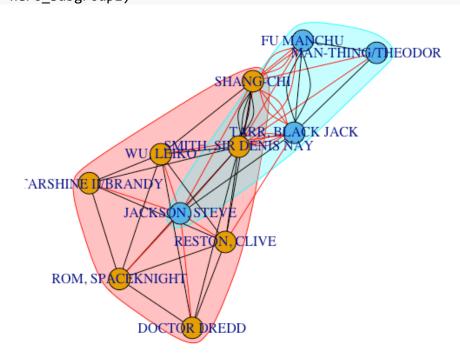


```
# Identify clusters or communities of nodes in hero network
components(hero g1) #this network has 4 components
## $membership
##
                  hero1
                                LITTLE, ABNER BLACK PANTHER/T'CHAL
##
## STEELE, SIMON/WOLFGA RAVEN, SABBATH II/EL IRON MAN IV/JAMES R.
## IRON MAN/TONY STARK
                          ERWIN, CLYTEMNESTRA
                                                     PRINCESS ZANDA
##
## CARNIVORE/COUNT ANDR
                                        GHOST
                                                        ZIMMER, ABE
##
                                            3
##
              FU MANCHU
                                    SHANG-CHI SMITH, SIR DENIS NAY
##
## STARSHINE II/BRANDY
                        MAN-THING/THEODORE T
                                                  TARR, BLACK JACK
##
##
                               JACKSON, STEVE
              WU, LEIKO
                                                      RESTON, CLIVE
##
##
       ROM, SPACEKNIGHT
                                        hero2
                                                  FORTUNE, DOMINIC
##
                                            1
##
           DOCTOR DREDD
##
##
## $csize
## [1] 2 4 8 11
##
## $no
## [1] 4
# We will analyze the component 4 which have the largest size
hero_subgroup1 <- decompose(hero_g1)[[4]]</pre>
par(mar=c(0,0,0,0))
V(hero_subgroup1)$color <- ifelse(V(hero_subgroup1)$name=="SMITH, SIR DENIS N
AY", "blue", "pink")
plot(hero subgroup1,cex=0.5)
```



```
cluster_infomap(hero_subgroup1)
## IGRAPH clustering infomap, groups: 2, mod: -0.045
## + groups:
##
     $`1`
                                 "SMITH, SIR DENIS NAY" "STARSHINE II/BRANDY "
"WU, LEIKO" "JACKSON, STEVE"
     [1] "SHANG-CHI"
##
     [4] "MAN-THING/THEODORE T" "WU, LEIKO"
##
##
    [7] "ROM, SPACEKNIGHT"
                                 "DOCTOR DREDD"
##
     $`2`
##
     [1] "FU MANCHU" "TARR, BLACK JACK" "RESTON, CLIVE"
##
##
# Map the flow of information in hero network, and the different clusters in
which information may get remain for longer periods
comm <- cluster_infomap(hero_subgroup1)</pre>
modularity(comm) # modularity score
## [1] -0.0192
```

Plot the resulting communities par(mar=c(0,0,0,0)) plot(comm, hero subgroup1)

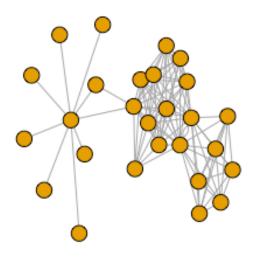


Analyze Social Network graph (2)

NODE ANALYSIS

```
# Check graph edges and vertices
V(hero_g2) #contents in vertices
## + 27/27 vertices, named, from c4b7128:
## [1] LEEDS, BETTY BRANT
                             MAXWELL, MORRIS
                                                  THORSON, DR. WALTER
## [4] SPIDER-MAN/PETER PAR THOMPSON, EUGENE FLA WATSON-PARKER, MARY
## [7] ICEMAN/ROBERT BOBBY OVERRIDE/DR. GREGORY KWAN, TERRY
## [10] URICH, BEN
                                                  THOR/DR. DONALD BLAK
                             DOLMAN
## [13] TOKKOTS
                             MCCORMICK, BARRY
                                                  JAMESON, J. JONAH
## [16] PARKER, MAY
                             FAIRMONT, HANNAH
                                                  ANGEL/WARREN KENNETH
                             GRANT, GLORIA GLORY
## [19] MANSLAUGHTER
                                                  NORRISS, SISTER BARB
## [22] STAR THIEF II
                             GARGOYLE II/ISAAC CH KUBIK
## [25] CLOUD
                             BEAST/HENRY &HANK& P ANDROMEDA/ANDROMEDA
```

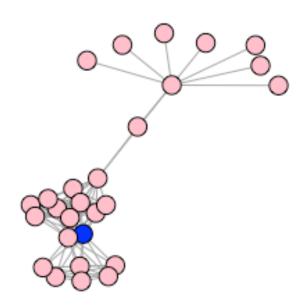
```
gorder(hero g2) # Count number of vertices
## [1] 27
E(hero_g2) #contents in edges
## + 100/100 edges from c4b7128 (vertex names):
## [1] LEEDS, BETTY BRANT --OVERRIDE/DR. GREGORY
## [2] LEEDS, BETTY BRANT --ICEMAN/ROBERT BOBBY
## [3] LEEDS, BETTY BRANT --WATSON-PARKER, MARY
## [4] LEEDS, BETTY BRANT --THOMPSON, EUGENE FLA
## [5] LEEDS, BETTY BRANT --SPIDER-MAN/PETER PAR
## [6] LEEDS, BETTY BRANT --THORSON, DR. WALTER
## [7] LEEDS, BETTY BRANT --MAXWELL, MORRIS
## [8] MAXWELL, MORRIS
                         --JAMESON, J. JONAH
## [9] MAXWELL, MORRIS
                          --DOLMAN
## [10] MAXWELL, MORRIS --URICH, BEN
## + ... omitted several edges
gsize(hero g2)# Count number of edges
## [1] 100
# Measure the size of network
diameter(hero g2, directed=FALSE, weights=NA) #the Length of the Longest path
between two nodes is 4
## [1] 4
get_diameter(hero_g2, directed=FALSE, weights=NA) # identify the Longest path
## + 5/27 vertices, named, from c4b7128:
## [1] THOR/DR. DONALD BLAK SPIDER-MAN/PETER PAR ICEMAN/ROBERT BOBBY
## [4] ANGEL/WARREN KENNETH NORRISS, SISTER BARB
# Plot social networks
plot(hero g2, layout = layout_with_lgl(hero g2), vertex.label=NA)
```



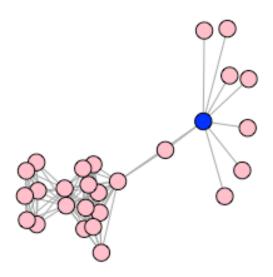
```
# Compute edge_density
edge_density(hero_g2)
## [1] 0.2849003
# Compute mean_distance of graph
mean_distance(hero_g2, directed = FALSE)
## [1] 2.210826
# Compute clustering coefficient to find the probability that the adjacent ve
rtices of a vertex are connected
transitivity(hero_g2, type = "average")
## [1] 0.870511
# Calculate the degree
hero_deg <- degree(hero_g2, mode = c("all"))</pre>
which.max(hero_deg)
## SPIDER-MAN/PETER PAR
            4
```

```
# Top most popular
top<-mean(hero deg)+ 0.8*sd(hero deg)
length(hero_deg[hero_deg>top])
## [1] 3
hero_deg[hero_deg>top]
## SPIDER-MAN/PETER PAR ICEMAN/ROBERT BOBBY
                                                  JAMESON, J. JONAH
##
                      18
                                                                  17
                                            13
# Calculate betweenness of each vertex to find the degree of which heroes sta
nd between each other
betw <- betweenness(hero_g2, directed = F)</pre>
which.max(betw)
## ANGEL/WARREN KENNETH
##
                      18
# Betweeness of top most popular heroes
top<-mean(betw)+ 0.9*sd(betw)</pre>
length(betw[betw>top])
## [1] 3
betw[betw>top]
## SPIDER-MAN/PETER PAR ICEMAN/ROBERT BOBBY ANGEL/WARREN KENNETH
##
               60.67857
                                    153.55357
                                                          154.00000
# Identify key nodes using eigenvector centrality to measure the influence of
a node in a network
g.ec <- eigen_centrality(hero_g2)</pre>
which.max(g.ec$vector)
## SPIDER-MAN/PETER PAR
##
                       4
```

```
# Measure the influence of top most popular heroes
top<-mean(g.ec$vector)+ 1.2*sd(g.ec$vector)</pre>
length(g.ec$vector[g.ec$vector>top])
## [1] 2
g.ec$vector[g.ec$vector>top]
## SPIDER-MAN/PETER PAR
                            JAMESON, J. JONAH
                                    0.9615964
##
              1.0000000
# Spider Man is the most influence character and has most connections in the
network.
# Find who is around Spider Man ?
g_spiderman <- make_ego_graph(hero_g2, diameter(hero_g2), nodes = 'SPIDER-MAN'</pre>
/PETER PAR', mode = c("all"))[[1]]
V(g_spiderman)$color <- ifelse(V(g_spiderman)$name=="SPIDER-MAN/PETER PAR","b</pre>
lue","pink")
plot(g_spiderman, vertex.label=NA)
```



```
# Neighbors of Spider Man
unique(neighbors(hero g2, v=which(V(hero g2)$name=="SPIDER-MAN/PETER PAR")))
## + 17/27 vertices, named, from c4b7128:
## [1] LEEDS, BETTY BRANT
                             MAXWELL, MORRIS
                                                  THORSON, DR. WALTER
## [4] THOMPSON, EUGENE FLA WATSON-PARKER, MARY ICEMAN/ROBERT BOBBY
## [7] OVERRIDE/DR. GREGORY KWAN, TERRY
                                                  URICH, BEN
## [10] DOLMAN
                             THOR/DR. DONALD BLAK TOKKOTS
## [13] MCCORMICK, BARRY
                             JAMESON, J. JONAH
                                                  PARKER, MAY
## [16] FAIRMONT, HANNAH
                             GRANT, GLORIA GLORY
# Warren Kenneth is having the most control over the network
# Find who is around Warren Kenneth ?
g_warren <- make_ego_graph(hero_g2, diameter(hero_g2), nodes = "ANGEL/WARREN")</pre>
KENNETH", mode = c("all"))[[1]]
V(g_warren)$color <- ifelse(V(g_warren)$name=="ANGEL/WARREN KENNETH","blue","</pre>
plot(g_warren, vertex.label=NA)
```

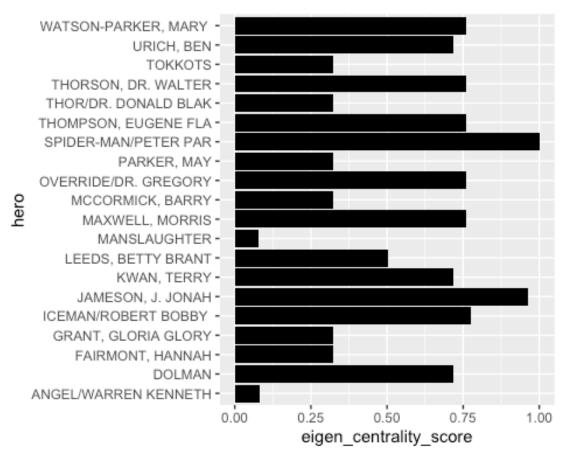


```
# Neighbors of Warren Kenneth
unique(neighbors(hero_g2, v=which(V(hero_g2)$name=="ANGEL/WARREN KENNETH")))
## + 9/27 vertices, named, from c4b7128:
## [1] ICEMAN/ROBERT BOBBY MANSLAUGHTER NORRISS, SISTER BARB
## [4] STAR THIEF II GARGOYLE II/ISAAC CH KUBIK
## [7] CLOUD BEAST/HENRY &HANK& P ANDROMEDA/ANDROMEDA
```

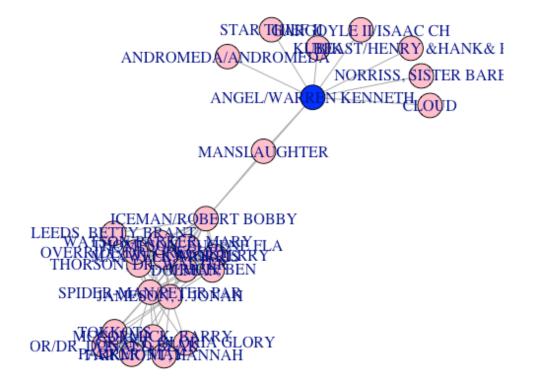
```
# Use centrality to summarize which Marvel characteristics have more connections than others
hero_g_eigen_centrality_people=as.data.frame(eigen_centrality(hero_g2)$vector)
hero_g_eigen_centrality_people$hero=rownames(hero_g_eigen_centrality_people)
rownames(hero_g_eigen_centrality_people)<-1:nrow(hero_g_eigen_centrality_people)
colnames(hero_g_eigen_centrality_people)<-c("eigen_centrality_score","hero")

# Identify which Marvel characteristics are more important than others in selected first 20 characters
hero_g_eigen_centrality_people_20<-hero_g_eigen_centrality_people[1:20,]

# According to eigen centrality score, Spider Man is the most influence node within this network
herro_connection <- ggplot(hero_g_eigen_centrality_people_20, aes(x=hero,y=eigen_centrality_score))
herro_connection + geom_bar(stat="identity", fill = "#000000")+coord_flip()</pre>
```



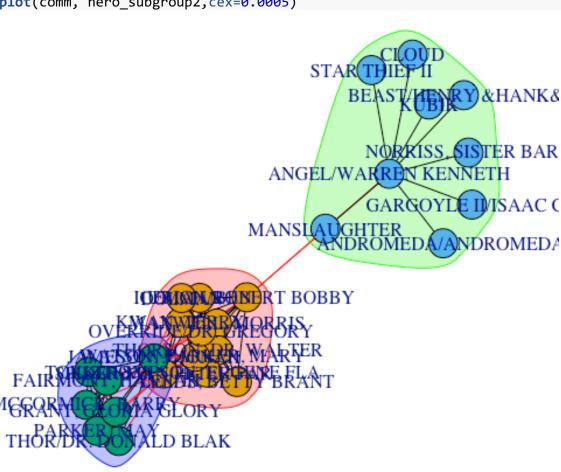
```
# Identify clusters or communities of nodes in hero network
components(hero g2) #this network has 1 components
## $membership
##
     LEEDS, BETTY BRANT
                             MAXWELL, MORRIS THORSON, DR. WALTER
##
## SPIDER-MAN/PETER PAR THOMPSON, EUGENE FLA WATSON-PARKER, MARY
## ICEMAN/ROBERT BOBBY OVERRIDE/DR. GREGORY
                                                       KWAN, TERRY
##
                                       DOLMAN THOR/DR. DONALD BLAK
##
             URICH, BEN
##
##
                TOKKOTS
                            MCCORMICK, BARRY
                                                 JAMESON, J. JONAH
##
                            FAIRMONT, HANNAH ANGEL/WARREN KENNETH
            PARKER, MAY
##
##
                        GRANT, GLORIA GLORY NORRISS, SISTER BARB
##
           MANSLAUGHTER
##
                                                                  1
##
          STAR THIEF II GARGOYLE II/ISAAC CH
                                                             KUBIK
##
                  CLOUD BEAST/HENRY &HANK& P ANDROMEDA/ANDROMEDA
##
##
##
## $csize
## [1] 27
##
## $no
## [1] 1
hero subgroup2 <- decompose(hero g2)[[1]]
par(mar=c(0,0,0,0))
V(hero_subgroup2)$color <- ifelse(V(hero_subgroup2)$name=="ANGEL/WARREN KENNE
TH", "blue", "pink")
plot(hero subgroup2,cex=0.005)
```



```
cluster_infomap(hero_subgroup2)
## IGRAPH clustering infomap, groups: 3, mod: 0.34
## + groups:
##
     $`1`
      [1] "LEEDS, BETTY BRANT"
##
                                 "MAXWELL, MORRIS"
                                                         "THORSON, DR. WALTER"
      [4] "SPIDER-MAN/PETER PAR" "THOMPSON, EUGENE FLA" "WATSON-PARKER, MARY
##
     [7] "ICEMAN/ROBERT BOBBY " "OVERRIDE/DR. GREGORY" "KWAN, TERRY"
##
##
     [10] "URICH, BEN"
                                 "DOLMAN"
##
##
     $`2`
     [1] "ANGEL/WARREN KENNETH" "MANSLAUGHTER"
                                                        "NORRISS, SISTER BARB"
##
                                "GARGOYLE II/ISAAC CH" "KUBIK"
     [4] "STAR THIEF II"
##
     [7] "CLOUD"
                                "BEAST/HENRY &HANK& P" "ANDROMEDA/ANDROMEDA"
##
     + ... omitted several groups/vertices
# Map the flow of information in hero network, and the different clusters in
which information may get remain for longer periods
comm <- cluster_infomap(hero_subgroup2)</pre>
modularity(comm) # modularity score
## [1] 0.33665
```

```
# Plot the resulting communities

par(mar=c(0,0,0,0))
plot(comm, hero_subgroup2,cex=0.0005)
```



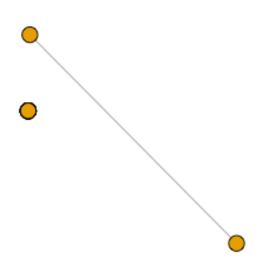
Analyze Social Network graph 3

NODE ANALYSIS

```
# Check graph edges and vertices
V(hero g3) #contents in vertices
## + 17/17 vertices, named, from 05882f2:
## [1] WARLOCK III
                             CAPTAIN AMERICA
                                                  MAGIK/ILLYANA RASPUT
## [4] SCARLET WITCH/WANDA MAGMA/AMARA AQUILLA/ WOLFSBANE/RAHNE SINC
## [7] CANNONBALL II/SAM GU WASP/JANET VAN DYNE
                                                  PHOENIX III/RACHEL S
## [10] PROFESSOR X/CHARLES SELENE
                                                  COLOSSUS II/PETER RA
## [13] CALLISTO
                             CALIBAN/
                                                  HULK/DR. ROBERT BRUC
## [16] ROGUE /
                             MARKS, DR. SHIELA
```

```
gorder(hero g3) # Count number of vertices
## [1] 17
E(hero_g3) #contents in edges
## + 100/100 edges from 05882f2 (vertex names):
## [1] WARLOCK III --PHOENIX III/RACHEL S WARLOCK III --WASP/JANET VAN
DYNE
## [3] WARLOCK III --CANNONBALL II/SAM GU WARLOCK III
                                                           --WOLFSBANE/RAHN
E SINC
## [5] WARLOCK III --MAGMA/AMARA AQUILLA/ WARLOCK III
                                                           --SCARLET WITCH/
WANDA
## [7] WARLOCK III --MAGIK/ILLYANA RASPUT WARLOCK III
                                                           --CAPTAIN AMERIC
## [9] CAPTAIN AMERICA--ROGUE /
                                            CAPTAIN AMERICA--CALIBAN/
## [11] CAPTAIN AMERICA--CALLISTO CAPTAIN AMERICA--COLOSSUS II/PE
TER RA
## [13] CAPTAIN AMERICA--SELENE
                                            CAPTAIN AMERICA--PROFESSOR X/CH
ARLES
## [15] CAPTAIN AMERICA--PHOENIX III/RACHEL S CAPTAIN AMERICA--WASP/JANET VAN
DYNE
## [17] CAPTAIN AMERICA--CANNONBALL II/SAM GU CAPTAIN AMERICA--WOLFSBANE/RAHN
E SINC
## [19] CAPTAIN AMERICA--MAGMA/AMARA AQUILLA/ CAPTAIN AMERICA--SCARLET WITCH/
WANDA
## + ... omitted several edges
gsize(hero g3)# Count number of edges
## [1] 100
# Measure the size of network
diameter(hero g3, directed=FALSE, weights=NA) #the Length of the Longest path
between two nodes is 4
## [1] 2
get diameter(hero g3, directed=FALSE, weights=NA) # identify the longest path
## + 3/17 vertices, named, from 05882f2:
## [1] WARLOCK III
                          CAPTAIN AMERICA
                                               PROFESSOR X/CHARLES
```

```
# Plot social networks
plot(hero_g3, layout = layout_with_lg1(hero_g3), vertex.label=NA)
```



```
# Compute edge_density
edge_density(hero_g3)
## [1] 0.7352941

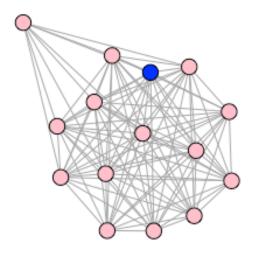
# Compute mean_distance of graph
mean_distance(hero_g3, directed = FALSE)
## [1] 1.056604

# Compute clustering coefficient to find the probability that the adjacent ve
rtices of a vertex are connected.

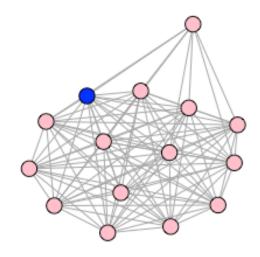
transitivity(hero_g3, type = "average")
## [1] 0.9648352
```

```
# Calculate the degree
hero_deg <- degree(hero_g3, mode = c("all"))</pre>
which.max(hero_deg)
## CAPTAIN AMERICA
##
# Top most popular
top<-mean(hero_deg)+ 0.52*sd(hero_deg)
length(hero_deg[hero_deg>top])
## [1] 8
hero_deg[hero_deg>top]
##
        CAPTAIN AMERICA MAGIK/ILLYANA RASPUT SCARLET WITCH/WANDA
##
                                            14
                      14
## MAGMA/AMARA AQUILLA/ WOLFSBANE/RAHNE SINC CANNONBALL II/SAM GU
                                                                  14
## WASP/JANET VAN DYNE PHOENIX III/RACHEL S
##
                      14
                                            14
# Calculate betweenness of each vertex to find the degree of which heroes sta
nd between each other.
betw <- betweenness(hero_g3, directed = F)</pre>
which.max(betw)
## CAPTAIN AMERICA
##
                 2
# Betweeness of top most popular heroes
top<-mean(betw)+ 0.8*sd(betw)</pre>
length(betw[betw>top])
## [1] 8
```

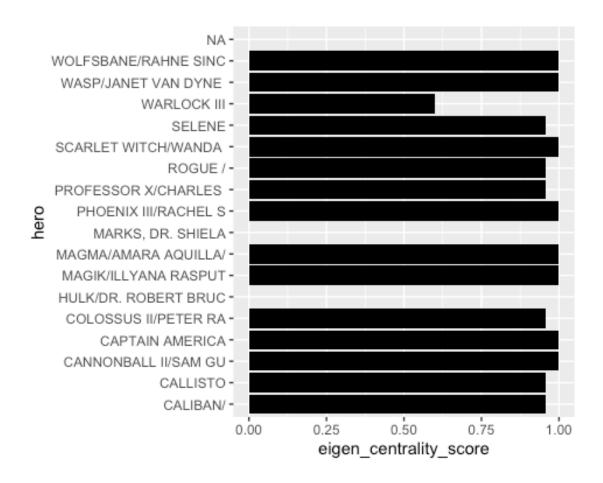
```
betw[betw>top]
##
        CAPTAIN AMERICA MAGIK/ILLYANA RASPUT SCARLET WITCH/WANDA
##
                   0.75
                                         0.75
                                                               0.75
## MAGMA/AMARA AQUILLA/ WOLFSBANE/RAHNE SINC CANNONBALL II/SAM GU
                   0.75
                                         0.75
## WASP/JANET VAN DYNE PHOENIX III/RACHEL S
                                         0.75
                   0.75
# Identify key nodes using eigenvector centrality to measure the influence of
a node in a network.
g.ec <- eigen_centrality(hero_g3)</pre>
which.max(g.ec$vector)
## SCARLET WITCH/WANDA
                      4
##
# Measure the influence of top most popular heroes
top<-mean(g.ec$vector)+ 0.45*sd(g.ec$vector)</pre>
length(g.ec$vector[g.ec$vector>top])
## [1] 8
g.ec$vector[g.ec$vector>top]
        CAPTAIN AMERICA MAGIK/ILLYANA RASPUT SCARLET WITCH/WANDA
##
                                                                  1
## MAGMA/AMARA AQUILLA/ WOLFSBANE/RAHNE SINC CANNONBALL II/SAM GU
## WASP/JANET VAN DYNE PHOENIX III/RACHEL S
##
                      1
# Captain America has most connections and control in the network.
# Find who is around Captain American ?
g_ca <- make_ego_graph(hero_g3, diameter(hero_g3), nodes = 'CAPTAIN AMERICA',</pre>
mode = c("all"))[[1]]
V(g_ca)$color <- ifelse(V(g_ca)$name=="CAPTAIN AMERICA","blue","pink")</pre>
plot(g_ca, vertex.label=NA)
```



```
# Neighbors of Captain America
unique(neighbors(hero g3, v=which(V(hero g3)$name=="CAPTAIN AMERICA")))
## + 14/17 vertices, named, from 05882f2:
## [1] WARLOCK III
                             MAGIK/ILLYANA RASPUT SCARLET WITCH/WANDA
## [4] MAGMA/AMARA AQUILLA/ WOLFSBANE/RAHNE SINC CANNONBALL II/SAM GU
## [7] WASP/JANET VAN DYNE PHOENIX III/RACHEL S PROFESSOR X/CHARLES
                             COLOSSUS II/PETER RA CALLISTO
## [10] SELENE
## [13] CALIBAN/
                             ROGUE /
# Wolfsbane is having the most influence in the network
# Find who is around Wolfsbane?
g_scarlet <- make_ego_graph(hero_g3, diameter(hero_g3), nodes = 'WOLFSBANE/RA</pre>
HNE SINC', mode = c("all"))[[1]]
V(g_scarlet)$color <- ifelse(V(g_scarlet)$name=="WOLFSBANE/RAHNE SINC","blue"</pre>
,"pink")
plot(g_scarlet, vertex.label=NA)
```



```
# Neighbors of Wolfsbane
unique(neighbors(hero g3, v=which(V(hero g3)$name=="WOLFSBANE/RAHNE SINC")))
## + 14/17 vertices, named, from 05882f2:
## [1] WARLOCK III
                                                MAGIK/ILLYANA RASPUT
                             CAPTAIN AMERICA
## [4] SCARLET WITCH/WANDA MAGMA/AMARA AQUILLA/ CANNONBALL II/SAM GU
## [7] WASP/JANET VAN DYNE PHOENIX III/RACHEL S PROFESSOR X/CHARLES
## [10] SELENE
                             COLOSSUS II/PETER RA CALLISTO
## [13] CALIBAN/
                             ROGUE /
# Use centrality to summarize which Marvel characteristics have more connecti
ons than others
hero g eigen centrality people=as.data.frame(eigen centrality(hero g3)$vector
hero g eigen centrality people$hero=rownames(hero g eigen centrality people)
rownames(hero g eigen centrality people)<-1:nrow(hero g eigen centrality peop</pre>
le)
# Identify which Marvel characteristics are more important than others in sel
ected first 20 characters
colnames(hero_g eigen_centrality_people)<-c("eigen_centrality_score", "hero")</pre>
hero g eigen centrality people 20<-hero g eigen centrality people[1:20,]
# According to eigen centrality score, Captain America is one of the most inf
Luence node within this network
herro connection <- ggplot(hero g eigen centrality people 20, aes(x=hero,y=ei
gen centrality score))
herro_connection + geom_bar(stat="identity", fill = "#000000")+coord_flip()
## Warning: Removed 3 rows containing missing values (position_stack).
```



SUBGROUP ANALYSIS

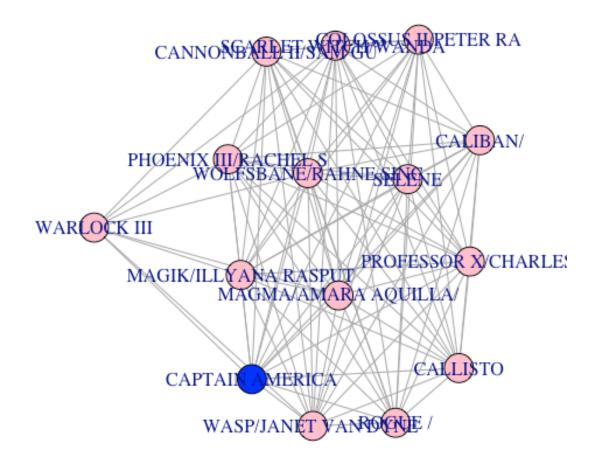
```
# Identify clusters or communities of nodes in hero network
components(hero_g3) #this network has 2 components
## $membership
##
            WARLOCK III
                             CAPTAIN AMERICA MAGIK/ILLYANA RASPUT
##
## SCARLET WITCH/WANDA MAGMA/AMARA AQUILLA/ WOLFSBANE/RAHNE SINC
##
  CANNONBALL II/SAM GU WASP/JANET VAN DYNE PHOENIX III/RACHEL S
##
                                       SELENE COLOSSUS II/PETER RA
## PROFESSOR X/CHARLES
##
               CALLISTO
                                    CALIBAN/ HULK/DR. ROBERT BRUC
##
##
                ROGUE /
                           MARKS, DR. SHIELA
##
##
##
```

```
## $csize
## [1] 15 2
##
## $no
## [1] 2

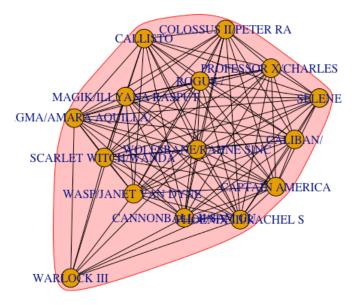
# We will analyze the component 1 which have the largest size
hero_subgroup3 <- decompose(hero_g3)[[1]]

par(mar=c(0,0,0,0))

V(hero_subgroup3)$color <- ifelse(V(hero_subgroup3)$name=="CAPTAIN AMERICA"," blue","pink")
plot(hero_subgroup3,cex=0.05)</pre>
```



```
cluster_infomap(hero_subgroup3)
## IGRAPH clustering infomap, groups: 1, mod: 0
## + groups:
     $`1`
##
      [1] "WARLOCK III"
                                 "CAPTAIN AMERICA"
                                                         "MAGIK/ILLYANA RASPUT
##
      [4] "SCARLET WITCH/WANDA" "MAGMA/AMARA AQUILLA/" "WOLFSBANE/RAHNE SINC
##
##
      [7] "CANNONBALL II/SAM GU" "WASP/JANET VAN DYNE " "PHOENIX III/RACHEL S
     [10] "PROFESSOR X/CHARLES " "SELENE"
                                                         "COLOSSUS II/PETER RA
##
##
     [13] "CALLISTO"
                                 "CALIBAN/"
                                                         "ROGUE /"
##
# Map the flow of information in hero network, and the different clusters in
which information may get remain for longer periods
comm <- cluster_infomap(hero_subgroup3)</pre>
modularity(comm) # modularity score
## [1] 0
# Plot the resulting communities
par(mar=c(0,0,0,0))
plot(comm, hero_subgroup3,cex=0.05)
```



CONCLUSION:

Top 5 most popular characters of this social network are Spider man, Captain America, Iron man, Thing, Thor and Human Torch respectively.

- I selected random 3 subsets of this social network data to analyze the relationship between characters and looking for if there is any pattern between these subset datasets.
- In the Graph (1), Sir Denis Nayland Smith is the character having the most connections and control over the network (1). Black Panther is the most influence character. There are 2 different clusters in this network.
- In the Graph (2), Spider Man is the most influence character and has most connections in the network (2). Warren Kenneth is having the most control over the network. There are 3 different clusters in this network.
- In the Graph (3), Captain America is the character having the most connections and control over the network (3). Wolfsbane is the most influence character. This network only contain 1 community.
- We noticed that in 3 different subsets, we could see the appearances of top popular characters in the network such as Captain America, Spider Man, Iron Man, which means they the more popular of the characters, the more relationship they have with other heroes in the network.