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VIPs of the network:

People with highest Eigenvector and betweenness centrality:

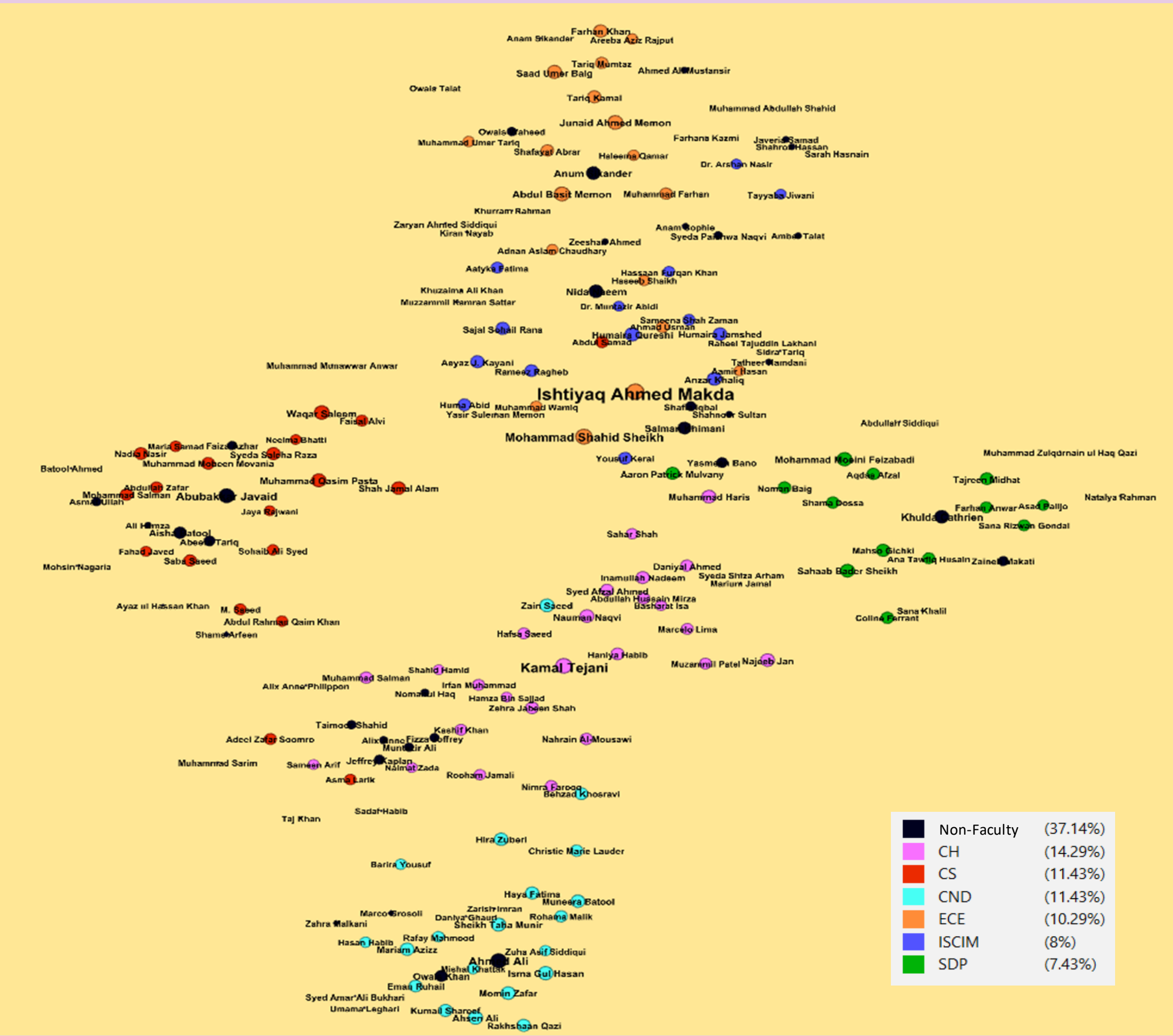
1. Ishtiyaq Makda (1.00)
2. Shahid Shaikh (0.77)
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VIPs of the network (2):

People with highest in-degree

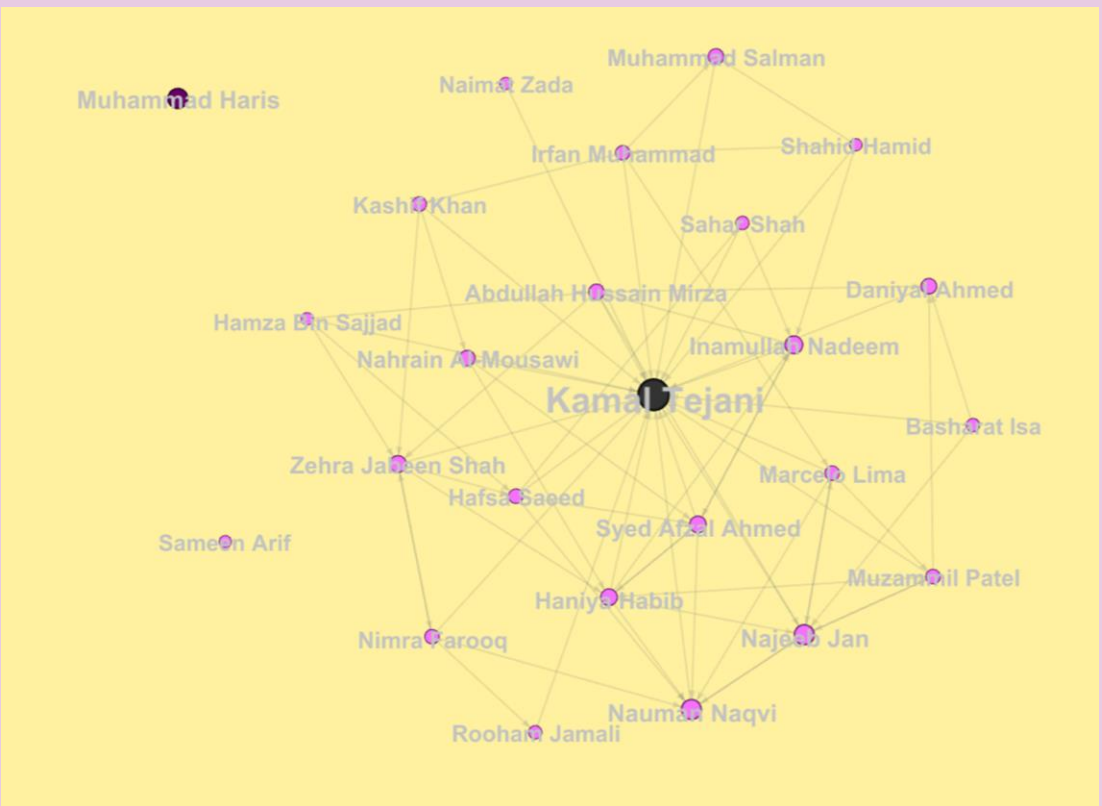
1. Ishtiyaq Makda (27)
2. Kamal Tejani (23)
3. Shahid Shaikh (19)
4. Ahmed Ali (18)
5. Abubakkar Javaid (17)

- A faculty member is usually 3 people away from each other
- Diameter = 7
- Average Degree / node = 3.737
- Number of communities detected = 6-8

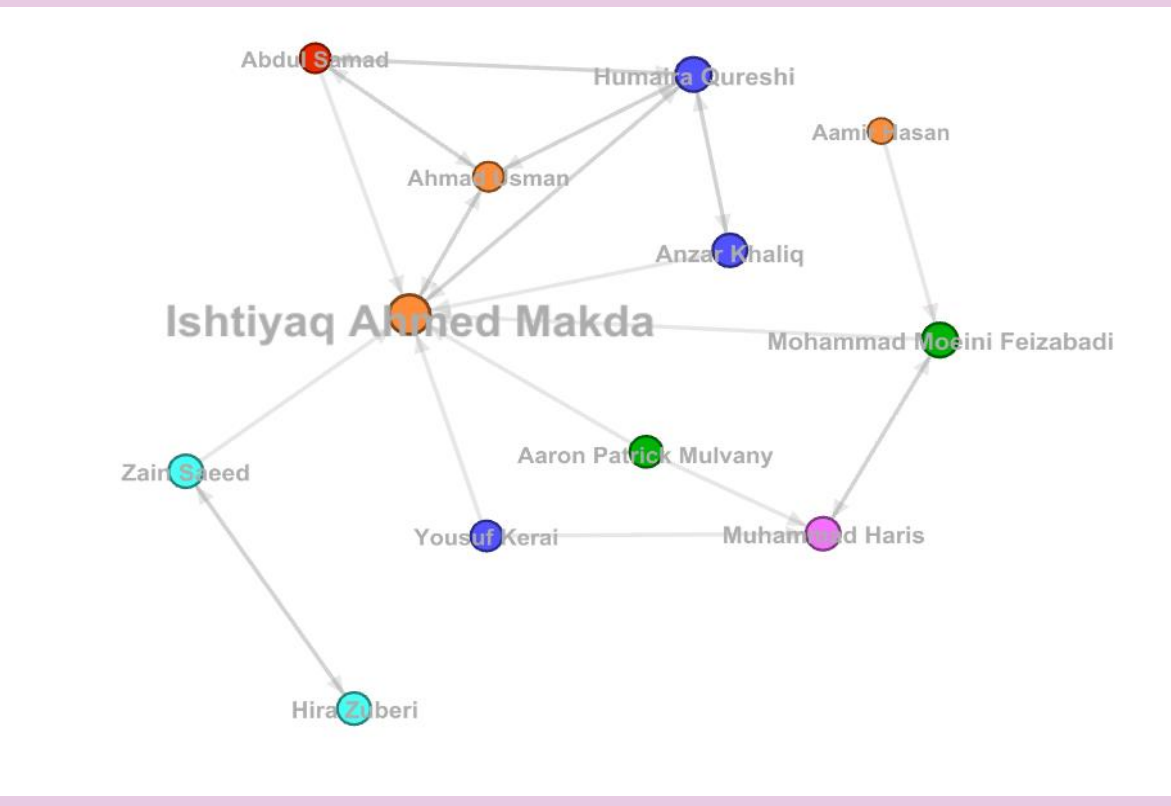


Communities in the Graph:

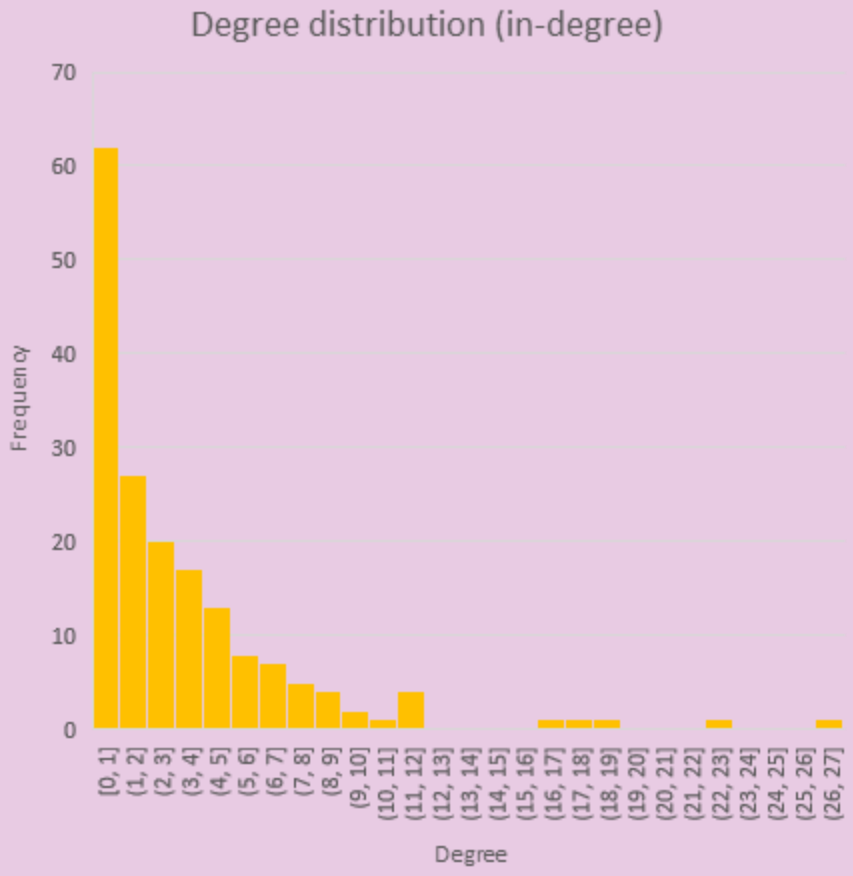
Visualizing for hubs, we see how the graph is clustered around in communities based on majors. Usually the hubs in these communities are the Program Coordinators. Running community detection algorithms also corresponded with this same pattern. Some identified Ishtiyaq Makda (Dean, Academic Systems and RO) as the centre for another community of administrative staff members. It is notable that the RO staff (Dr. Shahid Sheikh and Ishtiyaq Makda) are the central hubs bridging each of these communities.



For almost all majors, the Program Director was disconnected from their own faculty members. Being more connected with other leadership staff instead



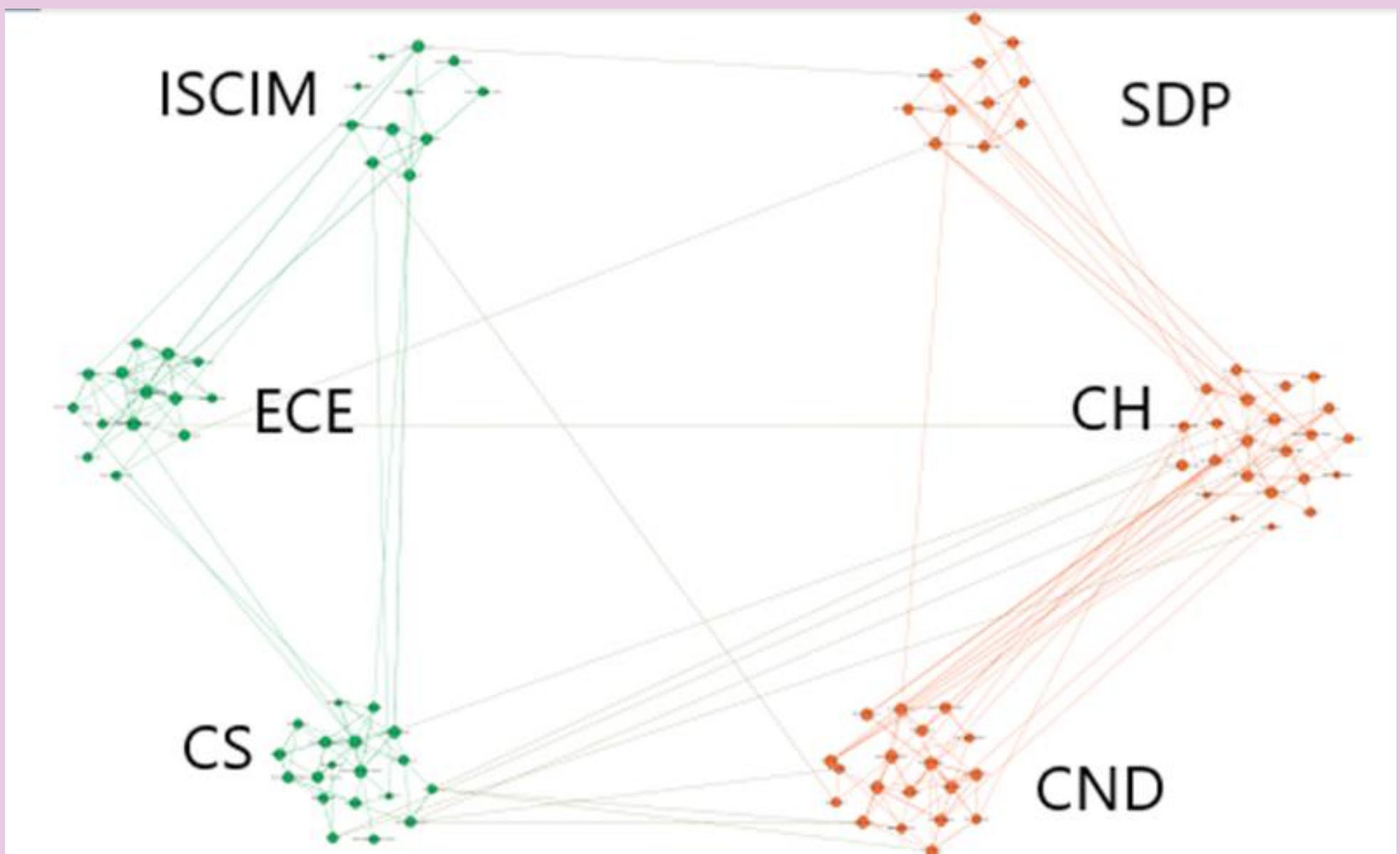
The leadership from each major does demonstrate interconnectivity between majors, even though regular faculty-faculty relationships do not.



The degree distribution demonstrates a pareto distribution, with most nodes having few connections, and some being hubs.

	Clustering Coefficient	Total Triangles	Total Nodes
Major			
ISCIM	0.637	8	14
ECE	0.593	42	18
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While inter-major connectivity is not high, there is a fair bit of intra-major clustering.



This graph visualizes interconnectivity between majors. DSSE: Green, AHSS: Orange. We see some interaction between CH, CS and CND faculty Members, but very little otherwise. This might indicate low faculty-faculty interaction on work basis using Office services. Some of these connections also existed because of organizational strucutres (e.g. adjunct faculty connected to adjunct faculty on cold start).

CONCLUSION

Overall, we were able to identify communities major wise. But communities don't exist Faculty type wise I.e. Adjunct, Dean's Fellow or Professor etc. However, one community exists of people in faculty leadership. It does answer our research questions and also portrays a concern that there is very little inter school communication. Interestingly, Program Directors have no links with faculty of their own major except in case of faculty Leadership.



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interconnectivity?

Graphs for each major



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Graph pool

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Leadership centrality

Graph showing connectivity between schools

Graphs for each major

Adjunct

Full-time

Dean's fellow

Staff

