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# Community Detection In R

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## 1 Clique percolation

Clique percolation is a community detection method developed by Gergely Palla and his co-workers, see Palla, Gergely, Imre Derényi, Illés Farkas, and Tamás Vicsek. 2005. Uncovering the overlapping community structure of complex networks in nature and society. *Nature* 435(7043):814-8. [Pubmed](#) [Arxiv](#).

This algorithm is not implemented in igraph, but here is a quick (and rather inefficient) version to do it:

```
clique.community <- function(graph, k) {
  clq <- cliques(graph, min=k, max=k)
  edges <- c()
  for (i in seq_along(clq)) {
    for (j in seq_along(clq)) {
      if ( length(unique(c(clq[[i]], clq[[j]]))) == k+1 ) {
        edges <- c(edges, c(i,j)-1)
      }
    }
  }
  clq.graph <- simplify(graph(edges))
  V(clq.graph)$name <- seq_len(vcount(clq.graph))
  comps <- decompose.graph(clq.graph)

  lapply(comps, function(x) {
    unique(unlist(clq[ V(x)$name ]))
  })
}
```

## 2 Label propagation algorithm by Raghavan et al.

Usha Nandini Raghavan, Réka Albert and Soundar Kumara. 2007. Near linear time algorithm to detect community structures in large-scale networks, *Phys. Rev. E* 76, 036106 [Arxiv](#)

A quick implementation by Peter McMahan, he sent this to the igraph-help mailing list.

```
largeScaleCommunity <- function(g,mode="all"){
  V(g)$group <- as.character(V(g))
  thisOrder <- sample(vcount(g),vcount(g))-1
```

```

t <- 0
done <- FALSE
while(!done){
  t <- t+1
  cat("\rtick:",t)
  done <- TRUE ## change to FALSE whenever a node changes group
  for(i in thisOrder){
    ## get the neighbor group frequencies:
    groupFreq <- table(V(g)[neighbors(g,i,mode=mode)])
    ## pick one of the most frequent:
    newGroup <- sample(names(groupFreq) [groupFreq==max(groupFreq)])
    if(done){done <- newGroup==V(g)[i]$group}
    V(g)[i]$group <- newGroup
  }
}
## now fix any distinct groups with same labels:
for(i in unique(V(g)$group)){
  ## only bother for connected groups
  if(!is.connected(subgraph(g,V(g)[group==i]))){
    theseNodes <- V(g)[group==i]
    theseClusters <- clusters(subgraph(g,theseNodes))
    ## iterate through the clusters and append their labels
    for(j in unique(theseClusters$membership)){
      V(g)[theseNodes[theseClusters$membership==j]]$group <- i
    }
  }
}
return(g)
}

```

### 3 How to use the community detection algorithms?

#### 3.1 Code

Gábor wrote this [in the mailing-list](#).

```

memberships <- list()

### edge.betweenness.community
ebc <- edge.betweenness.community(G)
mods <- sapply(0:ecount(G), function(i) {
  g2 <- delete.edges(G, ebc$removed.edges[seq(length=i)])
  cl <- clusters(g2)$membership
  modularity(G, cl)
})

g2 <- delete.edges(G, ebc$removed.edges[1:(which.max(mods))])
memberships$`Edge betweenness` <- clusters(g2)$membership

### fastgreedy.community
fc <- fastgreedy.community(G)
memb <- community.to.membership(G, fc$merges,
                               steps=which.max(fc$modularity))
memberships$`Fast greedy` <- memb$membership

### leading.eigenvector.community
lec <- leading.eigenvector.community(G)
memberships$`Leading eigenvector` <- lec$membership

### spinglass.community
sc <- spinglass.community(G, spins=10)
memberships$`Spinglass` <- sc$membership

### walktrap.community
wt <- walktrap.community(G, modularity=TRUE)

```

```

wmemb <- community.to.membership(G, wt$merges,
                                steps=which.max(wt$modu
memberships$`Walktrap` <- wmemb$membership

### label.propagation.community
memberships$`Label propagation` <- label.propagation.co

```

### 3.2 Example

```

G <- graph.disjoint.union(graph.atlas(1000),graph.atlas
G <- add.edges(G,c(2,10,11,15,16,0))
G$layout <- layout.kamada.kawai
V(G)$color <- rainbow(3)[memberships$`Edge betweenness`
plot(G)

```

## 4 Testing the significance of a community

The following code snippet performs a Wilcoxon rank-sum test on the "internal" and "external" degrees of a community in order to quantify its significance. Let us call the edges within a community "internal" and the edges connecting the vertices of a community with the rest of the graph "external". The null hypothesis of the test is that there is no difference between the number of "internal" and "external" edges incident to a vertex of the community. More internal than external edges show that the community is significant; less internal than external edges show that the community is in fact an "anti-community". The p-value of the test performed by this function will be close to zero in both cases; the value of the test statistic tells us whether we have a community or an anti-community.

```

community.significance.test <- function(graph, vs, ...)
  if (is.directed(graph)) stop("This method requires
  subgraph <- induced.subgraph(graph, vs)
  in.degrees <- degree(subgraph)
  out.degrees <- degree(graph, vs) - in.degrees
  wilcox.test(in.degrees, out.degrees, ...)
}

```

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