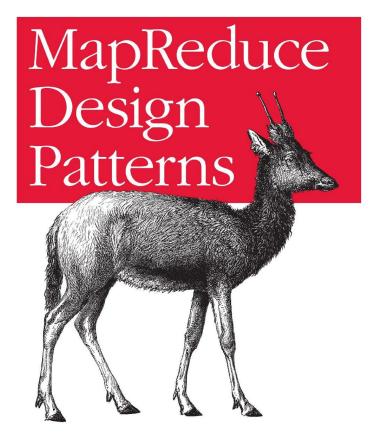
# Yelp progress report

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# Association rules, generally

- Consider two binary variables:  $x_a$  and  $x_b$ .
- If  $x_b = 1$  more often when  $x_a = 1$ , then  $x_a \Rightarrow x_b$  is an association rule.

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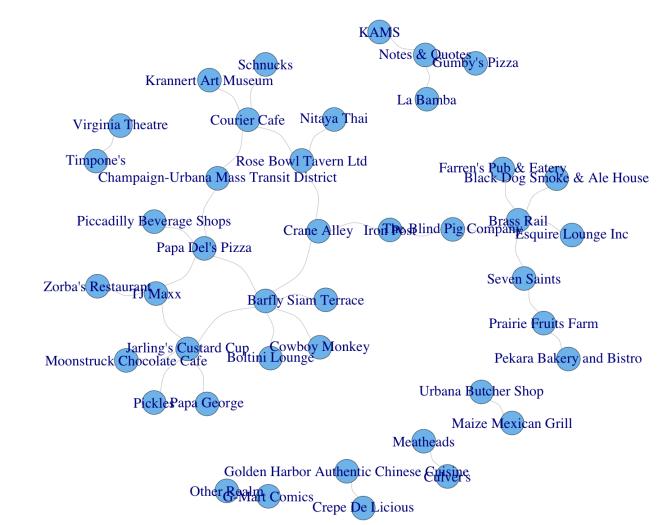
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# Possible Yelp association rules

- People who like Plein Air also like Robust
- People who don't like Zberry do like Red Mango
- People who like Valois in Chicago also like Tastees Diner in Bethesda

# Proof of concept: Champaign-Urbana

 People who go to Culver's are 38 times more likely to go to Meatheads than people who don't go to Culver's.



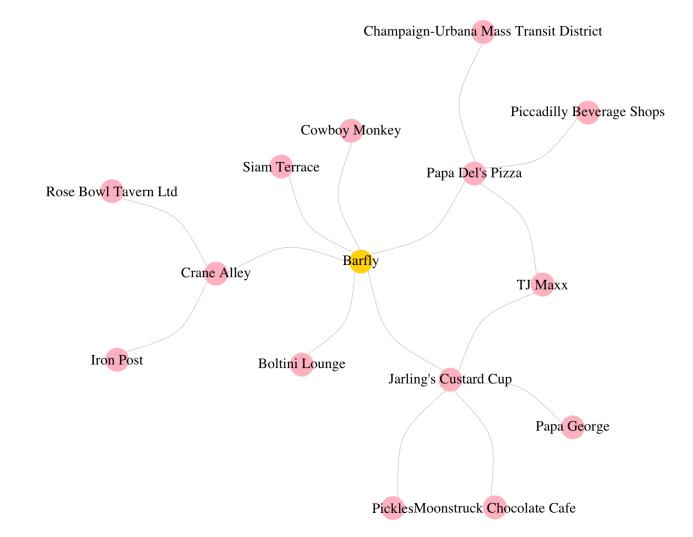
#### Most "connected" businesses

#### Degrees:

- Barfly (6)
- Brass Rail (5)
- Jarling's Custard Cup (5)

#### Betweenness:

- Crane Alley (193)
- Barfly (187)
- Iron Post (152)



# Scaling up: pairs of businesses

- About 3.7 billion possible pairs of businesses
- Not every pair of businesses will have a shared review
- Sample of 2000 reviews yielded 139 businesses and 2300 pairs

# **Association rule steps (Map Reduce)**

- Support: P(x)
  - Map every review keyed with business & return sum
- Confidence: P(x|y)
  - Create user level data through building lists of all reviews
  - Reduce list to pair key value run
  - Map reduce again to sum
- Lift: Confidence/Support = P(x|y)/P(x)
  - Sum through Map Reduce keyed on each business

# Yelp business network analysis

- Node: Business
- Edge: User review
- Use association rules to connect nodes
- Identify most connected businesses
  - degrees number of edges
  - betweenness bridge between two nodes
- What do they have in common?