

London Tube

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Introduction

The "London Underground Network" refers to the metro system of London, UK, encompassing its stations and the connections between them. The network consists of 309 vertices (representing stations), and 370 edges (representing the metro line connections between stations). Notably, multiple metro lines can connect to the same station, resulting in multiple edges. As an undirected network, each edge signifies a bidirectional connection, meaning travel is possible in both directions between stations.

Data loading and cleaning

We begin by loading the Network and enriching the nodes with usage data from a separate dataset.

```
In [1]: # Load Libraries
import pandas as pd
import networkx as nx
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
import numpy as np
import contextily as ctx
```

We begin by loading the Network and extracting the labels of the Stations for later Use.

```
In [2]: #Read the Network
G = nx.read_graphml('data/london_tube/tubeDLR.graphml')

# Extract labels from node data
labels = nx.get_node_attributes(G, 'label')

# get node position separately
pos_geo = {node: (float(data['longitude']), float(data['latitude']))}
```

We remove node attributes that were delivered with the network.

```
In [3]: # List of attributes to remove
attributes_to_remove = [
    'Betweenness Centrality', 'Closeness Centrality', 'Clustering Coefficient',
    'Degree', 'Eccentricity', 'Eigenvector Centrality', 'In-Degree',
    'Number of triangles', 'Out-Degree', 'PageRank', 'b', 'g',
    'latitude_copy', 'longitude_copy', 'r', 'size', 'x', 'y', 'display'
]

# Remove the attributes from each node
for node, data in G.nodes(data=True):
    for attr in attributes_to_remove:
        data.pop(attr, None)
```

To further enrich our Network, we take a separate Dataset that contains average entry and exit values from most of the stations in our Network and add these to our nodes. To do so, we first remove all stations for which no numbers are available, which as it turns out all correspond to the Docklands Light Railway (DLR) and thus can be knowingly discarded.

```
In [4]: ### Add Usage Data

usage_data = pd.read_csv('data/london_tube/2017_Entry_Exit.csv')

# Feature Engineering
usage_data['Avg_Exit_Weekend'] = usage_data[['Exit_Saturday', 'Exit_Sunday']].mean(1)
usage_data['Avg_Entry_Weekend'] = usage_data[['Entry_Saturday', 'Entry_Sunday']].mean(1)

usage_data.drop(columns=['Entry_Saturday', 'Entry_Sunday', 'Exit_Saturday', 'Exit_Sunday'], axis=1, inplace=True)

# Define mapping from non-standard to standard names
station_name_corrections = {
    'Edgware Road (Cir)': 'Edgware Road',
    'Kew Gardens': 'Kew Gardens (London)',
    "Shepherd's Bush (H&C)": "Shepherd's Bush Market",
    "Shepherd's Bush (Cen)": "Shepherd's Bush",
    'Hammersmith (Dis)': 'Hammersmith (Piccadilly and District line)',
    'Hammersmith (H&C)': 'Hammersmith (Hammersmith & City and Circle line)',
    "St. John's Wood": "St John's Wood",
    'Bank & Monument': 'Bank-Monument',
    'Totteridge & Whetstone': 'Totteridge and Whetstone',
    'Paddington': 'London Paddington',
    'Richmond': 'Richmond (London)',
    'Heathrow Terminals 123': 'Heathrow Terminals 1, 2, 3',
    'Edgware Road (Bak)': 'Edgware Road (Bakerloo line)',
    'Victoria': 'London Victoria'
}

# Apply corrections to df.Stations
usage_data['Station'] = usage_data['Station'].replace(station_name_corrections)

# Filter nodes in the graph that are available in usage_data
stations_in_usage_data = set(usage_data['Station'])
nodes_to_keep = [node for node, data in G.nodes(data=True) if data['Station'] in stations_in_usage_data]
```

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# Identify stations to be dropped
stations_to_drop = [labels[node] for node, data in G.nodes(data=True) if data['label'] == 'DROPPED']

# Create a subgraph with only the nodes to keep
G = G.subgraph(stations_to_keep).copy()

# Add Entry_Week, Exit_Week, Avg_Exits_Weekend, Avg_Entry_Weekend to each node
for node, data in G.nodes(data=True):
    station_label = data.get('label')
    if station_label in stations_in_usage_data:
        station_data = usage_data[usage_data['Station'] == station_label]
        data['Entry_Week'] = station_data['Entry_Week']
        data['Exit_Week'] = station_data['Exit_Week']
        data['Avg_Exits_Weekend'] = station_data['Avg_Exits_Weekend']
        data['Avg_Entry_Weekend'] = station_data['Avg_Entry_Weekend']

    # Remove edges connected to nodes that are not in the filtered subgraph
    G.remove_edges_from([(u, v) for u, v in G.edges() if u not in stations_to_keep or v not in stations_to_keep])

# Add "dist" attribute to each edge based on the euclidean distance
for u, v, data in G.edges(data=True):
    lon1, lat1 = pos_geo[u]
    lon2, lat2 = pos_geo[v]
    distance = np.sqrt((lon2 - lon1)**2 + (lat2 - lat1)**2) * 111
    data['dist'] = distance
```

Then is added the Euclidean Distance between Nodes as a attribute of the arcs using longitude/latitude of the nodes.

```
In [5]: # Add "dist" attribute to each edge based on the euclidean distance
for u, v, data in G.edges(data=True):
    lon1, lat1 = pos_geo[u]
    lon2, lat2 = pos_geo[v]
    distance = np.sqrt((lon2 - lon1)**2 + (lat2 - lat1)**2) * 111
    data['dist'] = distance
```

This yields us the Network with the following attributes of nodes and edges.

```
In [6]: # Attributes

# Nodes
unique_keys = set().union(*(data.keys() for _, data in G.nodes(data=True)))
print("Unique Node Attributes:")
for key in sorted(unique_keys):
    print(f" - {key}")

# Edges
unique_edge_keys = set().union(*(data.keys() for _, _, data in G.edges(data=True)))
print("\nUnique Edge Attributes:")
for key in sorted(unique_edge_keys):
    print(f" - {key}")
```

Unique Node Attributes:

- Avg_Entry_Weekend
- Avg_Exit_Weekend
- Entry_Week
- Exit_Week
- displayName
- label
- latitude
- longitude
- stationReference

Unique Edge Attributes:

- Neo4j Relationship Type
- dist
- line
- weight

Utils functions

```
In [7]: def plot_shortest_path(G, start_id, stop_id):  
  
    # Calculate the shortest path  
    try:  
        shortest_path = nx.dijkstra_path(G, source=start_id, target=stop_id)  
    except nx.NetworkXNoPath:  
        print(f"No path exists between {start_id} and {stop_id}.")  
        return  
  
    # Extract the edges in the shortest path  
    path_edges = list(zip(shortest_path[:-1], shortest_path[1:]))  
  
    # Create a plot  
    fig, ax = plt.subplots(figsize=(25, 25)) # More balanced size  
  
    # Set the extent to match London's approximate geographical coordinates  
    ax.set_xlim(-0.68, 0.29)  
    ax.set_ylim(51.39, 51.73)  
  
    # Ensure the correct aspect ratio  
    ax.set_aspect(1 / np.cos(np.radians((51.4 + 51.73) / 2))) # Adhere to spherical geometry  
  
    # Add a basemap  
    ctx.add_basemap(ax, crs="EPSG:4326", source=ctx.providers.CartoDB.Positron)  
  
    # Overlay the London Tube Network  
    nx.draw(G, pos=pos_geo, with_labels=False, node_size=50, node_color='lightblue', edge_color='lightgray', ax=ax)  
  
    # Highlight the shortest path  
    nx.draw_networkx_edges(G, pos=pos_geo, edgelist=path_edges, edge_color='red', ax=ax)  
    nx.draw_networkx_nodes(G, pos=pos_geo, nodelist=shortest_path, node_color='red', ax=ax)  
  
    # Add labels for the start and stop stations  
    nx.draw_networkx_labels(G, pos=pos_geo, labels={start_id: 'Start', stop_id: 'Stop'}, font_size=16)
```

```
# Display the plot
plt.title(f"Shortest Path from {labels[start_id]} to {labels[st
plt.show()
```

Network properties

We beginn by analysing basic properties of the network to get a general idea of the characteristics of our network. We start by plotting the network with the node position corresponding to the longitude and latitude values onto a map of the City of London to get a general feel for the geography underlying the network. We see how the Network consist out of arms corresponding to the metro lines that meet in the city center at hub stations where changes between lines are possible.

```
In [8]: import contextily as ctx
# Create a plot
fig, ax = plt.subplots(figsize=(25, 25)) # More balanced size

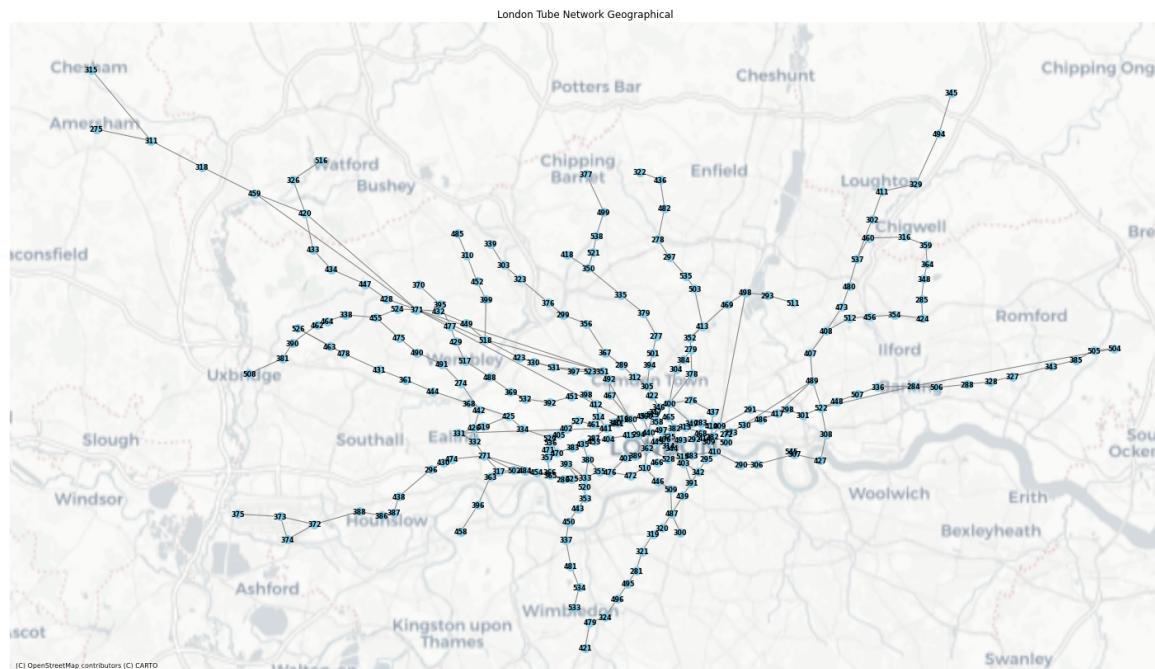
# Set the extent to match London's approximate geographical coordinates
ax.set_xlim(-0.68, 0.29)
ax.set_ylim(51.39, 51.73)

# Ensure the correct aspect ratio
ax.set_aspect(1 / np.cos(np.radians((51.4 + 51.73) / 2))) # Adjust

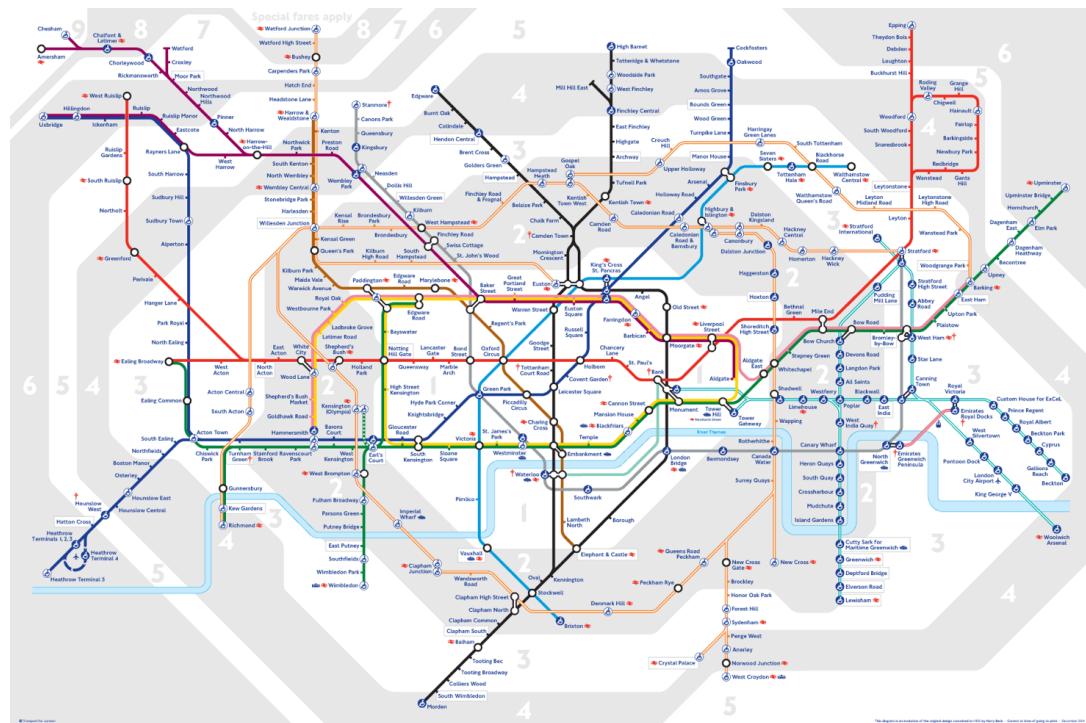
# Add a basemap
ctx.add_basemap(ax, crs="EPSG:4326", source=ctx.providers.CartoDB.Po

# Overlay the London Tube Network
nx.draw(G, pos=pos_geo, with_labels=True, node_size=100, node_color='w
font_size=8, font_weight='bold', edge_color='gray', ax=ax)

# Display the plot
plt.title("London Tube Network Geographical")
plt.show()
```



We can compare our Network to an official map of the City of London Transportation System and recognize the same tree structure with nodes that connect the trees (lines).



The London Underground metro system, after data cleaning, can be represented as an undirected network with 269 nodes (stations) and 324 edges (connections between stations).

```
In [9]: # Check if the graph is directed
if isinstance(G, nx.DiGraph):
    print("The graph is directed.")
else:
    print("The graph is undirected.")
```

```
#Count nodes
print("Number of Nodes (Order):", G.number_of_nodes())

#Count edges
print("Number of Edges:", len(G.edges(data=True)))
```

The graph is undirected.

Number of Nodes (Order): 269

Number of Edges: 324

Then, it is checked if there are any isolated vertices (stations) in the network. It is found the isolated vertex '545' in the London Underground network, which refers to a station that has no connections to any other stations, making it unreachable within the system. In this case, the isolated station is produced as a error of the initial enrichment of with usage data which left the node isolated. We thus delete the node to correct for that error.

```
In [10]: # Find isolated vertices
print("Isolated Vertices: ", list(nx.isolates(G)))

print(labels["545"])

# Remove node '545' from labels and the graph
labels.pop("545", None)
G.remove_node("545")

print("Isolated Vertices: ", list(nx.isolates(G)))
```

Isolated Vertices: ['545']

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Isolated Vertices: []

In network analysis, specifically in the context of the London Underground metro system, it's important to identify adjacent vertices (stations) and edges (metro lines). This helps to understand the connections between stations and the metro lines serving them. The following code allows us to find these adjacent vertices, revealing the connections between different metro lines at a given station. Additionally, the adjacent edges provide information about possible line changes that a station can offer, indicating where passengers can switch between different metro lines.

```
In [11]: # Get the adjacent vertices
chosen_vertex = '487'

adjacent_vertices = list(G.neighbors(chosen_vertex))
print(f"Adjacent vertices of vertex {chosen_vertex}: {adjacent_ver}

# Print the labels of the adjacent vertices
adjacent_labels = [labels[vertex] for vertex in adjacent_vertices]
print(f"Adjacent vertices of vertex {labels[chosen_vertex]}: {adjacent_
```

```
Adjacent vertices of vertex 487: ['300', '320', '439', '509']
Adjacent vertices of vertex Stockwell: ['Brixton', 'Clapham North',
'Oval', 'Vauxhall']
```

In [12]:

```
# Get the adjacent edges (edges that involve the chosen vertex)
adjacent_edges = G.edges(chosen_vertex)
print(f"Adjacent edges of vertex {chosen_vertex}: {adjacent_edges}")

# Print the details of the adjacent edges, including the metro line
for edge in adjacent_edges:
    # Assuming the edge attribute 'line' stores the metro line's name
    line_name = G[edge[0]][edge[1]].get('line', 'Unknown Line') # Line name
    print(f"Edge: {edge} (Connecting {labels[edge[0]]} and {labels[edge[1]]}) - Metro Line: {line_name}")
```

```
Adjacent edges of vertex 487: [('487', '300'), ('487', '320'), ('487', '439'), ('487', '509')]
Edge: ('487', '300') (Connecting Stockwell and Brixton) - Metro Line: Victoria_line
Edge: ('487', '320') (Connecting Stockwell and Clapham North) - Metro Line: Northern_line
Edge: ('487', '439') (Connecting Stockwell and Oval) - Metro Line: Northern_line
Edge: ('487', '509') (Connecting Stockwell and Vauxhall) - Metro Line: Victoria_line
```

The presence of self-loops in the network was examined, and it was determined that the system does not contain any self-loops. This finding is consistent with the design of most metro systems, where a station typically does not have a direct connection to itself via a metro line. Self-loops are generally avoided in urban transit networks for practical reasons, as they would not contribute to effective transportation or improve connectivity.

In [13]:

```
# Check for self-loops by iterating through the edges
self_loops = [edge for edge in G.edges() if edge[0] == edge[1]]

# If there are any self-loops, print them
if self_loops:
    print(f"The graph has {len(self_loops)} self-loop(s):")
    for loop in self_loops:
        print(loop)
else:
    print("The graph does not have any self-loops.")
```

The graph does not have any self-loops.

Similarly, it was determined that the network does not contain any multi-edges, which means there are no multiple metro lines connecting the same pair of stations. This is consistent with the design principles of the metro system, where each pair of stations typically has a unique connection served by a single metro line. Having multiple lines between the same two stations is not a common practice, as it can lead to inefficiencies in the network design and complicate operations.

```
In [14]: # Check if the graph allows multi-edges (MultiGraph or MultiDiGraph)
if isinstance(G, nx.MultiGraph) or isinstance(G, nx.MultiDiGraph):
    # Iterate over the edges and check for multi-edges
    multi_edges = [edge for edge in G.edges()]

    if multi_edges:
        print(f"The graph has multi-edges between the following nodes")
        for edge in multi_edges:
            print(edge)
    else:
        print("The graph does not have any multi-edges.")
else:
    print("The graph is not a MultiGraph or MultiDiGraph, so multi-edges are not allowed.")
```

The graph is not a MultiGraph or MultiDiGraph, so multi-edges are not allowed.

Subnetworks

With the basic properties of the network defined, we continue with looking at subnetworks and components that can be found in the network. From the official transportation map shown above, we can further derive some of the main subnetworks corresponding to individual metro, light rail or regional train lines.

We can identify the following components 11 Tube Lines + other Lines in our Network:

- **Bakerloo**: 25 stations
- **Central**: 49 stations
- **Circle**: 35 stations
- **District**: 60 stations
- **Hammersmith & City**: 29 stations
- **Jubilee**: 27 stations
- **Metropolitan**: 34 stations
- **Northern**: 52 stations
- **Piccadilly**: 53 stations
- **Victoria**: 16 stations
- **Waterloo & City**: 2 stations
- +Light Rail, Regional Lines etc

The average order of these lines thus corresponds to 41.62 stations, but this mean has a great variance due to significant outliers as like the Waterloo & City line as can be seen in the barplot below.

```
In [15]: import matplotlib.pyplot as plt

# Data: London Underground lines and their respective number of stations
lines = [
    "Waterloo & City", "Victoria", "Jubilee", "Bakerloo", "Hammersm...
```

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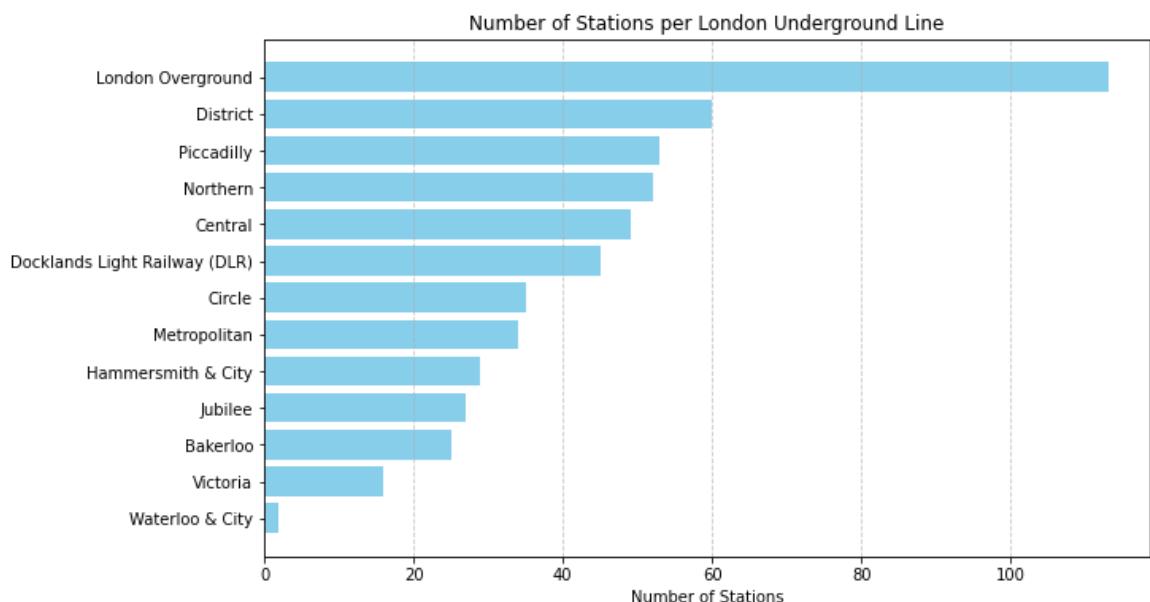
    "Metropolitan", "Circle", "Northern", "Piccadilly", "Central",
    "Docklands Light Railway (DLR)", "London Overground"
]
stations = [2, 16, 27, 25, 29, 34, 35, 52, 53, 49, 60, 45, 113]

# Combine lines and stations into a list of tuples and sort by number
lines_stations = sorted(zip(stations, lines))

# Unzip the sorted tuples
stations_sorted, lines_sorted = zip(*lines_stations)

# Create the bar plot
plt.figure(figsize=(10, 6))
plt.barh(lines_sorted, stations_sorted, color='skyblue')
plt.xlabel('Number of Stations')
plt.title('Number of Stations per London Underground Line')
plt.grid(axis='x', linestyle='--', alpha=0.7)
plt.show()

```



One of the most central subgraphs that also corresponds to a circle, is the Circle Line, which can be isolated in our Network as shown below.

```
In [16]: # Define the Circle Line stations
circle_line_stations = [
    "Hammersmith (Hammersmith & City and Circle lines)", "Goldhawk Road",
    "Shepherd's Bush Market", "Wood Lane", "Latimer Road", "Ladbroke Grove",
    "Westbourne Park", "Royal Oak", "London Paddington", "Edgware Road",
    "Baker Street", "Great Portland Street", "Euston Square",
    "King's Cross St. Pancras", "Farringdon", "Barbican", "Moorgate",
    "Liverpool Street", "Aldgate", "Tower Hill", "Bank-Monument",
    "Cannon Street", "Mansion House", "Blackfriars", "Temple", "Embankment",
    "Westminster", "St. James's Park", "London Victoria", "Sloane Square",
    "South Kensington", "Gloucester Road", "High Street Kensington",
    "Notting Hill Gate", "Bayswater"
]

# Get station IDs and edges for the Circle Line
circle_line_station_ids = [node for node, name in labels.items() if

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circle_line_edges = [(u, v) for u, v in G.edges() if u in circle_line_nodes]
circle_line_edges = [edge for edge in circle_line_edges if edge not in circle_line_stations]
circle_line_nodes = set(circle_line_stations)

# Create a 1x2 subplot layout
fig, axes = plt.subplots(1, 2, figsize=(20, 10))

# Plot the entire network with the Circle Line highlighted
nx.draw(
    G,
    pos=pos_geo,
    with_labels=False,
    node_size=10,
    node_color='lightgray',
    edge_color='lightgray',
    ax=axes[0]
)
nx.draw_networkx_edges(
    G,
    pos=pos_geo,
    edgelist=circle_line_edges,
    edge_color='gold',
    width=2,
    ax=axes[0]
)
nx.draw_networkx_nodes(
    G,
    pos=pos_geo,
    nodelist=circle_line_nodes,
    node_color='orange',
    node_size=50,
    ax=axes[0]
)

axes[0].set_title("London Tube Network with Circle Line Highlighted")

# Extract the subgraph of the Circle Line
circle_line_subgraph = G.subgraph(circle_line_nodes)

# Plot the Circle Line subgraph
nx.draw(
    circle_line_subgraph,
    pos=pos_geo,
    with_labels=True,
    labels={node: labels[node] for node in circle_line_nodes},
    edgelist=circle_line_edges,
    node_size=100,
    node_color='orange',
    font_size=8,
    font_weight='bold',
    edge_color='gold',
    width=2,
    ax=axes[1]
)
axes[1].set_title("London Circle Line Subgraph")
```

```
# Calculate the order (number of nodes) and size (number of edges)
circle_line_order = len(circle_line_nodes)
circle_line_size = len(circle_line_edges)

print(f"Order of the Circle Line (number of stations): {circle_line_order}")

# Adjust layout
plt.tight_layout()
plt.show()
```

Order of the Circle Line (number of stations): 35

London Tube Network with Circle Line Highlighted

London Circle Line Subgraph



Degree distribution

without weights

The average degree is calculated to be 2.42, which aligns with expectations. As most stations in the metro network are typically connected by a single line, with each station having two adjacent connections: one to the previous station and one to the next. Such a structure is common in metro systems, where the majority of stations are part of a linear sequence of stops

```
In [17]: # Calculate the average degree of the graph
average_degree = sum(dict(G.degree()).values()) / len(G.nodes())

print(f"Average degree of the network: {average_degree:.2f}")
```

Average degree of the network: 2.42

In general, we observe that that stations have a degree of two, being a pass through station on one of the lines. Then, there is a few nodes having degree 1 corresponding to end stops of lines and other stations with degree 3+ connecting two or more lines.

The top 5 nodes with the highest degrees in the network are Harrow-on-the-Hill, Baker Street, Bank-Monument, King's Cross St. Pancras, and Earl's court.

Harrow-on-the-Hill stands out with the highest degree of 8, indicating it has the most connections in the network. The other two stations—Baker Street and King's Cross St. Pancras have a degree of 7, showing they are all well-connected with a similar number of edges. Following the other two reamingn stations Bank-monument and Earl's Court have a degree of 6, in general, these stations are central hubs in the network, with varying but significant levels of connectivity. These stations are all above the average degree of the network, which is 2.42. Their higher degrees suggest they are significantly more connected than the average station, reflecting their importance in facilitating movement and providing multiple transport links. Some initial assumptions about their locations and roles in London transportation help provide context, a more detailed analysis would involve evaluating commuter traffic, station facilities, and transport links to further understand their importance within the network.

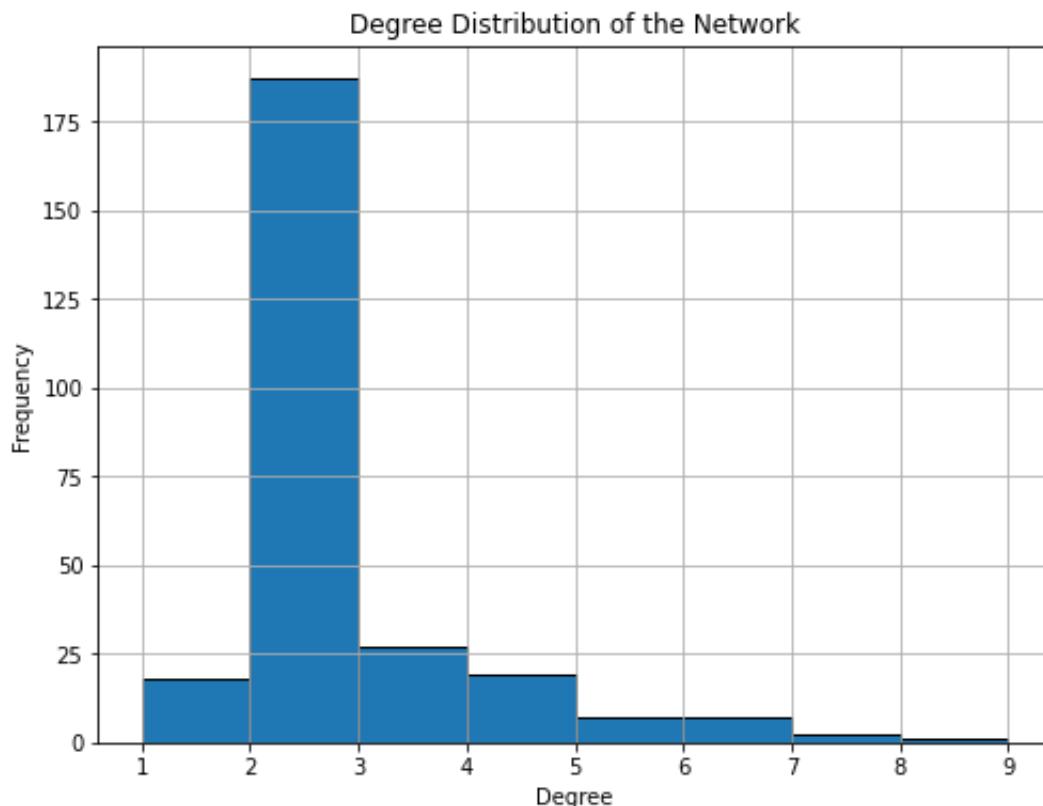
```
In [18]: # Degree of each node in the graph
degrees = dict(G.degree()) # {node: degree}

# Degree distribution (histogram)
degree_sequence = [degree for node, degree in degrees.items()]

# Plot the degree distribution
plt.figure(figsize=(8, 6))
plt.hist(degree_sequence, bins=range(min(degree_sequence), max(degree_sequence)+1))
plt.title('Degree Distribution of the Network')
plt.xlabel('Degree')
plt.ylabel('Frequency')
plt.grid(True)
plt.show()

# Find the top 5 nodes with the highest degrees
sorted_nodes_by_degree = sorted(degrees.items(), key=lambda x: x[1], reverse=True)

# Print the top 5 nodes with their degrees and labels
print("\nTop 5 nodes with the highest degrees:")
for node, degree in sorted_nodes_by_degree[:5]:
    label = G.nodes[node].get('label', 'No Label')
    print(f"Node: {node}, Label: {label}, Degree: {degree}")
```



Top 5 nodes with the highest degrees:

Node: 371, Label: Harrow-on-the-Hill, Degree: 8
 Node: 280, Label: Baker Street, Degree: 7
 Node: 400, Label: King's Cross St. Pancras, Degree: 7
 Node: 282, Label: Bank-Monument, Degree: 6
 Node: 333, Label: Earl's Court, Degree: 6

with weights

The network's degree distribution reveals an average weighted degree of 1.77, indicating that, on average, each station has a relatively modest number of strong connections when considering the inverse of the distance as the weight. The arcs weighted by their inverse distance can in this case be interpreted as the geographical closeness of the station to other stations in the network, as the inverse of a small distance yields a large weight. The large sum of these weights thus shows that a station has either a few stations that are very close to it or many stations connected to it but that might be a bit further away.

Notably, the top 5 stations with the highest weighted degrees, which are Bank-Monument (7.79), Leicester Square (7.18), Embankment (6.36), Charing Cross (5.92), and Waterloo (5.77), are all located in central and highly trafficked areas of the metro system. These stations exhibit significantly higher connectivity strength, suggesting they serve as major hubs where multiple metro lines converge. Their elevated weighted degrees reflect their crucial roles in the network, as they facilitate efficient transfers and high passenger flow. In the metro system, it is expected that the central stations are designed to handle high volumes of passengers and connections across

various lines.

```
In [19]: # Step 1: Calculate the weighted degree for each node (using inverse distance)
def weighted_degree(graph, labels):
    weighted_degrees = {}
    for node in graph.nodes:
        weighted_degree = 0
        for neighbor in graph.neighbors(node):
            # Get the distance (weight) of the edge (inverse of distance)
            weight = graph[node][neighbor].get('dist', 1) # Default value
            weighted_degree += 1 / weight # Inverse of the distance
        weighted_degrees[node] = weighted_degree
    return weighted_degrees

# Calculate the weighted degree of each station
weighted_degrees = weighted_degree(G, labels)

# Step 2: Calculate the average degree
average_degree = sum(weighted_degrees.values()) / len(weighted_degrees)
print(f"Average weighted degree: {average_degree:.2f}")

# Step 3: Identify the top 5 stations based on the weighted degree
top_5_stations = sorted(weighted_degrees.items(), key=lambda x: x[1], reverse=True)

# Display the top 5 stations and their weighted degrees along with their names
print("Top 5 stations with highest weighted degrees:")
for node, degree in top_5_stations:
    station_name = labels.get(node, "Unknown Station") # Get the station name
    print(f"Station: {station_name} (ID: {node}), Weighted Degree: {degree:.2f}")

# Plotting the degree distribution (using the inverse distance)
# Get all weighted degrees for plotting
all_degrees = list(weighted_degrees.values())

# Plot the degree distribution
plt.hist(all_degrees, bins=30, edgecolor='black')
plt.title("Degree Distribution (Inverse Distance)")
plt.xlabel("Weighted Degree")
plt.ylabel("Frequency")
plt.show()
```

Average weighted degree: 1.77

Top 5 stations with highest weighted degrees:

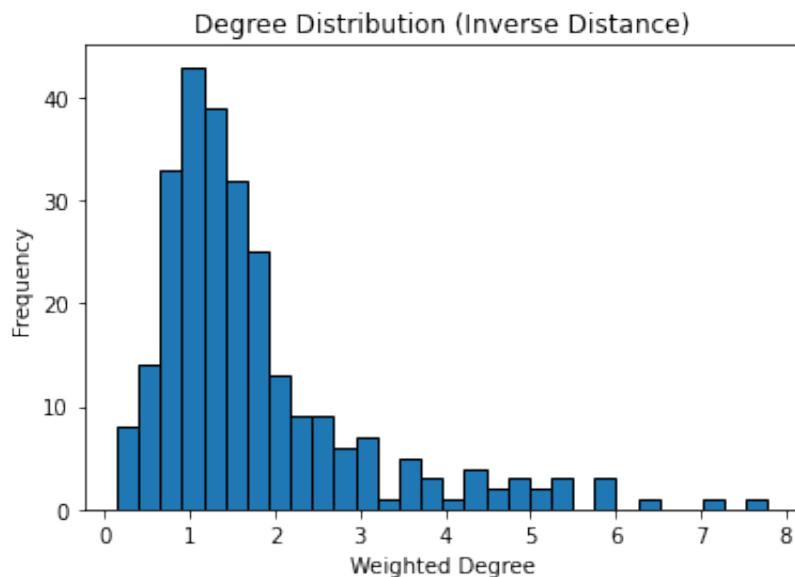
Station: Bank–Monument (ID: 282), Weighted Degree: 7.79

Station: Leicester Square (ID: 406), Weighted Degree: 7.18

Station: Embankment (ID: 344), Weighted Degree: 6.36

Station: Charing Cross (ID: 314), Weighted Degree: 5.92

Station: Waterloo (ID: 515), Weighted Degree: 5.77



Number of components of the network

As mentioned before, the network is undirected, therefore the number of components in the London Underground metro system network reveals that there is only one connected component, indicating that all stations are part of a single, cohesive network. This suggests that the metro system is designed to ensure complete connectivity, with no isolated or disconnected stations. This is ensuring that every station can be reached from any other station, either directly or via transfer.

The fact that there is a single connected component also reflects the network's design efficiency, and confirms that the network is a weakly connected graph, you can travel between any two vertices by following some set of edges. This means that commuters can travel seamlessly between any two points within the system without encountering unreachable stations. This network helps in the flexibility of route planning, including multiple transfer points in more central lines to be able to reach any part of the city that has a metro line.

Additionally, it will emphasize the importance of central lines that can have more traffic, and can serve as critical nodes in maintaining overall network cohesion.

```
In [20]: #Find the connected components
connected_components = list(nx.connected_components(G))

#Calculate the number of connected components
num_components = len(connected_components)

print(f"Number of connected components: {num_components}")
```

Number of connected components: 1

Diameter

without weights

The longest shortest path between any two stations in the London Underground network spans 35 vertices (stations). It will indicate, the furthest distance between any two stations, based on the shortest possible route, requires traveling through 35 stations across the city.

```
In [21]: if nx.is_connected(G):
    diameter = nx.diameter(G)
    print(f"The diameter of the connected graph is: {diameter}")
else:
    print("The graph is disconnected.")

# Find the pair of nodes that defines the diameter
if nx.is_connected(G):
    diameter_path = nx.diameter(G)
    longest_shortest_path = nx.periphery(G)
    # Get the two nodes that define the diameter
    diameter_nodes = longest_shortest_path[:2]
    print(f"The diameter lies between stations: {diameter_nodes[0]} to {diameter_nodes[1]}")
```

The diameter of the connected graph is: 35
 The diameter lies between stations: 345 and 370

The following code provides both the sequence of station names along the shortest route and the total distance of travel between the two specified stations, making it useful for analyzing travel routes in the London Underground metro system network.

The code calculates the total distance (sum of the weights) of the shortest path using Dijkstra's algorithm, which reflects the total travel distance between the two stations. If no path exists between the nodes or if a node is not found in the graph, appropriate error messages are displayed.

```
In [22]: def find_shortest_path(graph, initial_vertex, final_vertex):

    # Find the shortest path
    path = nx.dijkstra_path(graph, source=initial_vertex, target=final_vertex)
    path_station_names = [graph.nodes[node].get('label', 'No Label') for node in path]
    path_length = len(path) - 1
    path_distance = nx.dijkstra_path_length(graph, source=initial_vertex, target=final_vertex)

    print("Shortest Path (Node IDs):", path)
    print("Shortest Path (Station Names):", path_station_names)
    print("Number of Stations in Path:", path_length)
    print("Total Distance (km):", path_distance)

find_shortest_path(G, '345', '370')
```

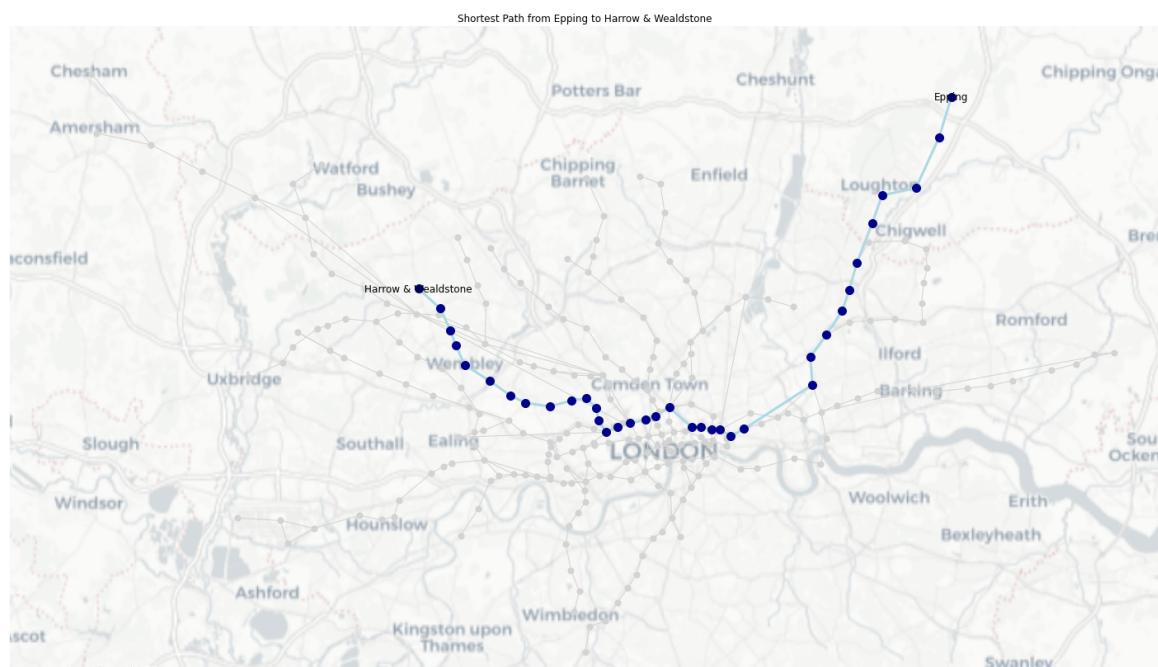
```
Shortest Path (Node IDs): ['345', '494', '329', '411', '302', '537', '480', '473', '408', '407', '489', '530', '273', '409', '419', '283', '349', '400', '347', '360', '280', '341', '441', '514', '412', '398', '451', '392', '532', '369', '488', '517', '429', '477', '395', '370']
```

```
Shortest Path (Station Names): ['Epping', 'Theydon Bois', 'Debden', 'Loughton', 'Buckhurst Hill', 'Woodford', 'South Woodford', 'Snaresbrook', 'Leytonstone', 'Leyton', 'Stratford', 'Whitechapel', 'Aldgate East', 'Liverpool Street', 'Moorgate', 'Barbican', 'Farringdon', "King's Cross St. Pancras", 'Euston Square', 'Great Portland Street', 'Baker Street', 'Edgware Road', 'London Paddington', 'Warwick Avenue', 'Maida Vale', 'Kilburn Park', "Queen's Park", 'Kensal Green', 'Willesden Junction', 'Harlesden', 'Stonebridge Park', 'Wembley Central', 'North Wembley', 'South Kenton', 'Kenton', 'Harrow & Wealdstone']
```

Number of Stations in Path: 35

Total Distance (km): 64.2756406417444

In [23]: `plot_shortest_path(G, '345', '370')`



with weights

we can also calculate the weighted diameter which corresponds to the longest shortest path distance wise.

In [24]: `# Calculate the shortest path lengths using inverse distance as weight
shortest_path_lengths = dict(nx.all_pairs_dijkstra_path_length(G, weight='inverse'))

Find the diameter (maximum shortest path length)
weighted_diameter = max(max(lengths.values()) for lengths in shortest_path_lengths.values())

print(f"The diameter of the graph with weights (inverse distance) is {weighted_diameter}.")

Find the pair of stations corresponding to the weighted diameter
for source, lengths in shortest_path_lengths.items():
 for target, length in lengths.items():`

```

if length == weighted_diameter:
    print(f"The two stations corresponding to the weighted diameter are: {station1} and {station2}")
    break

```

The diameter of the graph with weights (inverse distance) is: 23.681
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The two stations corresponding to the weighted diameter are: 421 and 366

In [25]: `find_shortest_path(G, '421', '366')`

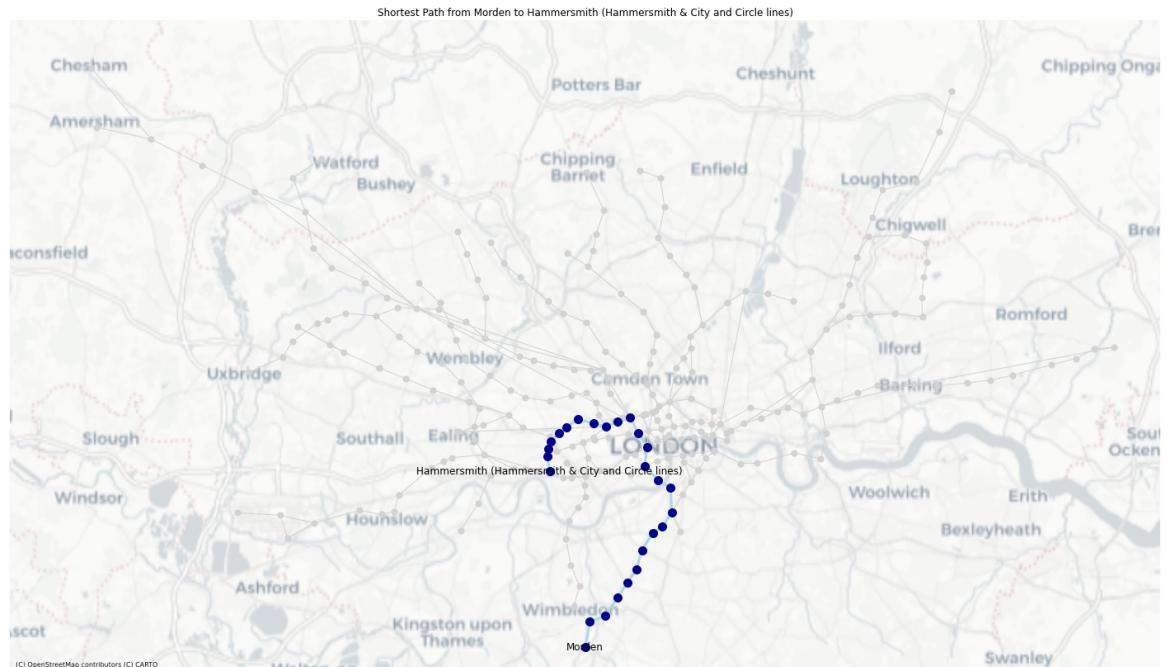
Shortest Path (Node IDs): ['421', '479', '324', '496', '495', '281', '321', '319', '320', '487', '509', '446', '510', '362', '294', '280', '341', '441', '461', '527', '402', '405', '536', '471', '357', '366']

Shortest Path (Station Names): ['Morden', 'South Wimbledon', 'Collie rs Wood', 'Tooting Broadway', 'Tooting Bec', 'Balham', 'Clapham Sout h', 'Clapham Common', 'Clapham North', 'Stockwell', 'Vauxhall', 'Pimlico', 'London Victoria', 'Green Park', 'Bond Street', 'Baker Stree t', 'Edgware Road', 'London Paddington', 'Royal Oak', 'Westbourne Pa rk', 'Ladbroke Grove', 'Latimer Road', 'Wood Lane', "Shepherd's Bush Market", 'Goldhawk Road', 'Hammersmith (Hammersmith & City and Circle lines)']

Number of Stations in Path: 25

Total Distance (km): 29.120318862949997

In [26]: `plot_shortest_path(G, '421', '366')`



Adjacency Matrix

Using the Adjacency Matrix, we can calculate the mean giving us an average 0.009 Arcs per nodes², showing that overall there is very low connectivity in the network.

In [27]: `import scipy.io`

```
# Generate the adjacency matrix
adj_matrix = nx.adjacency_matrix(G)
adj_matrix_dense = adj_matrix.todense()

# Calculate the mean
mean_adj_matrix = np.mean(adj_matrix_dense)
print(f"Mean of the adjacency matrix: {mean_adj_matrix}")
```

Mean of the adjacency matrix: 0.009022053909556694

Attribute Analysis

With the main characteristics of the Network analyzed, we additionally do a brief Exploratory Data Analysis into the Attributes of the Network. This knowledge might be useful in later interpretations of properties of the Network.

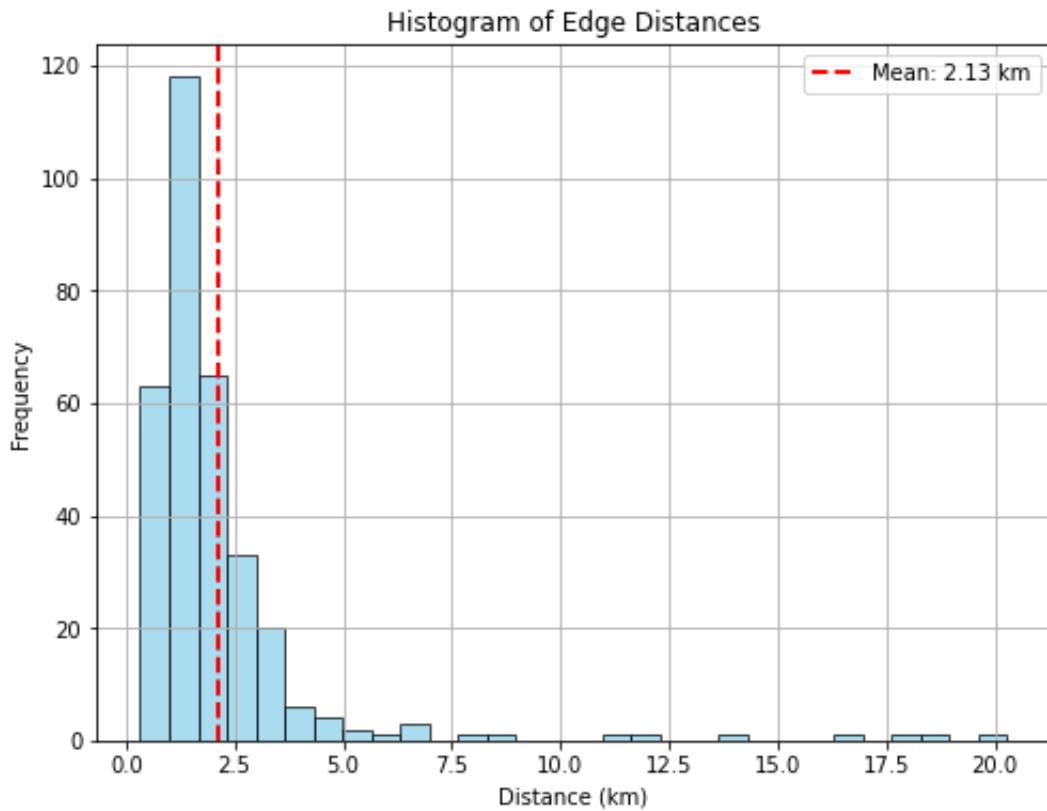
Edges

A histogram can be plotted to show the distribution of the distances and the mean distance (km) between stations. It has to be remembered as the distance is a linear approximation (e.g. euclidean distance) and the effective distances that are traveled between stations are slightly higher.

In [28]:

```
# Plot the histogram
distances = [data['dist'] for _, _, data in G.edges(data=True) if 'dist' in data]
mean_distance = np.mean(distances)

plt.figure(figsize=(8, 6))
plt.hist(distances, bins=30, edgecolor='black', color='skyblue', alpha=0.8)
plt.axvline(mean_distance, color='red', linestyle='dashed', linewidth=2)
plt.title('Histogram of Edge Distances')
plt.xlabel('Distance (km)')
plt.ylabel('Frequency')
plt.legend()
plt.grid(True)
plt.show()
```



Nodes

The main attributes of the nodes correspond to the average entries and exits of the stations on weekdays and weekends. We can begin the analysis by plotting a colormapped network plot with the color corresponding to the entires/exits.

```
In [29]: # Define the categories to visualize and their corresponding titles
categories = ['Entry_Week', 'Exit_Week', 'Avg_Entry_Weekend', 'Avg_Exit_Weekend']
titles = ['Entry Week', 'Exit Week', 'Average Entry Weekend', 'Average Exit Weekend']

# Create a 2x2 subplot
fig, axes = plt.subplots(2, 2, figsize=(18, 12))

# Iterate over the categories and plot each one
for i, (category, title) in enumerate(zip(categories, titles)):
    # Extract values for the current category
    values = [data[category] for _, data in G.nodes(data=True) if category in data]

    # Normalize the values for the colormap
    norm = plt.Normalize(min(values), max(values))
    cmap = plt.cm.viridis

    # Create a color map for the nodes
    node_colors = [cmap(norm(data[category]))) if category in data else None for _, data in G.nodes(data=True)]

    # Plot the network on the corresponding subplot
    ax = axes[i // 2, i % 2]
    nx.draw(
        G,
        pos,
        node_color=node_colors,
        edge_color='black',
        edge_width=1,
        font_size=10,
        font_weight='bold',
        node_size=1000,
        with_labels=False,
        ax=ax
    )
    ax.set_title(title, loc='center', pad=10)
```

```

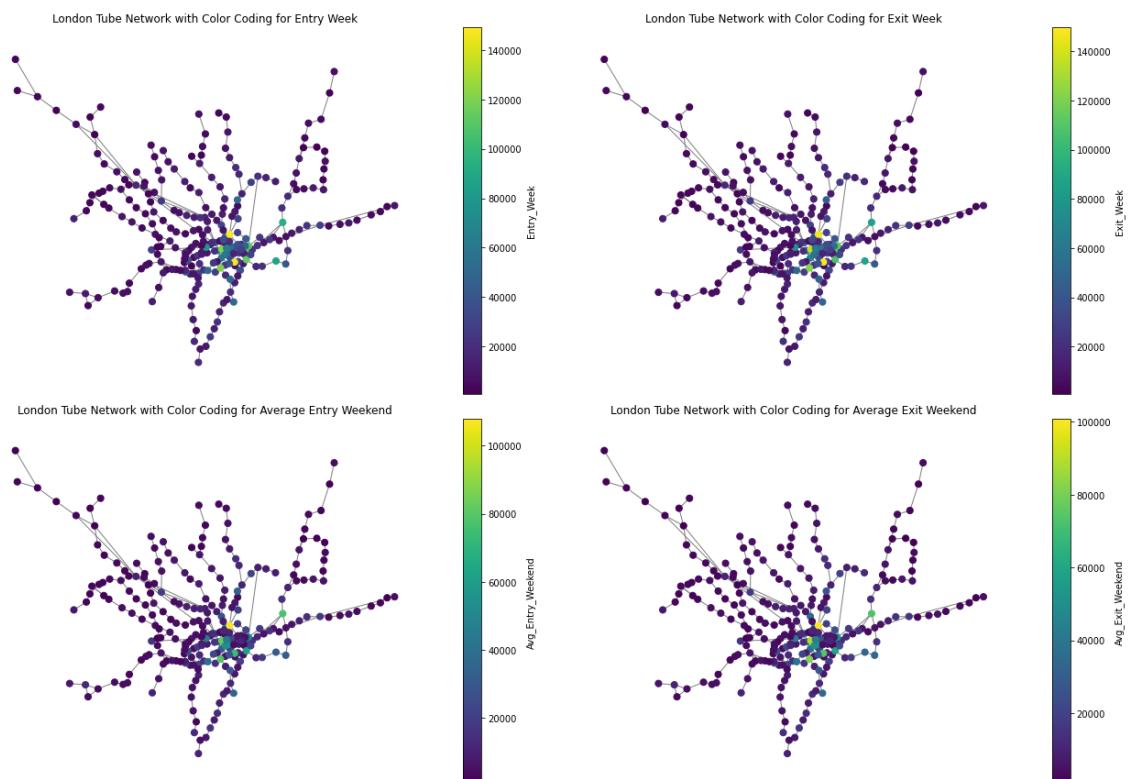
    pos=pos_geo,
    with_labels=False,
    node_size=50,
    node_color=node_colors,
    edge_color='gray',
    ax=ax
)

# Add a colorbar
sm = plt.cm.ScalarMappable(cmap=cmap, norm=norm)
sm.set_array([])
cbar = plt.colorbar(sm, ax=ax)
cbar.set_label(category)

# Set the title for the subplot
ax.set_title(f"London Tube Network with Color Coding for {title}")

# Adjust layout
plt.tight_layout()
plt.show()

```



Furthermore, histograms for the exits and entires on weekdays and weekends of the stations can be plotted, showing a similar distribution to that of the degrees.

```

In [30]: # Extract data for histograms directly from the graph
entry_week = [data['Entry_Week'] for _, data in G.nodes(data=True) if
exit_week = [data['Exit_Week'] for _, data in G.nodes(data=True) if
avg_entry_weekend = [data['Avg_Entry_Weekend'] for _, data in G.nodes(data=True) if
avg_exit_weekend = [data['Avg_Exit_Weekend'] for _, data in G.nodes(data=True) if

# Calculate means
mean_entry_week = np.mean(entry_week)

```

```
mean_exit_week = np.mean(exit_week)
mean_avg_entry_weekend = np.mean(avg_entry_weekend)
mean_avg_exit_weekend = np.mean(avg_exit_weekend)

# Create a 4x4 subplot
fig, axes = plt.subplots(2, 2, figsize=(12, 10))

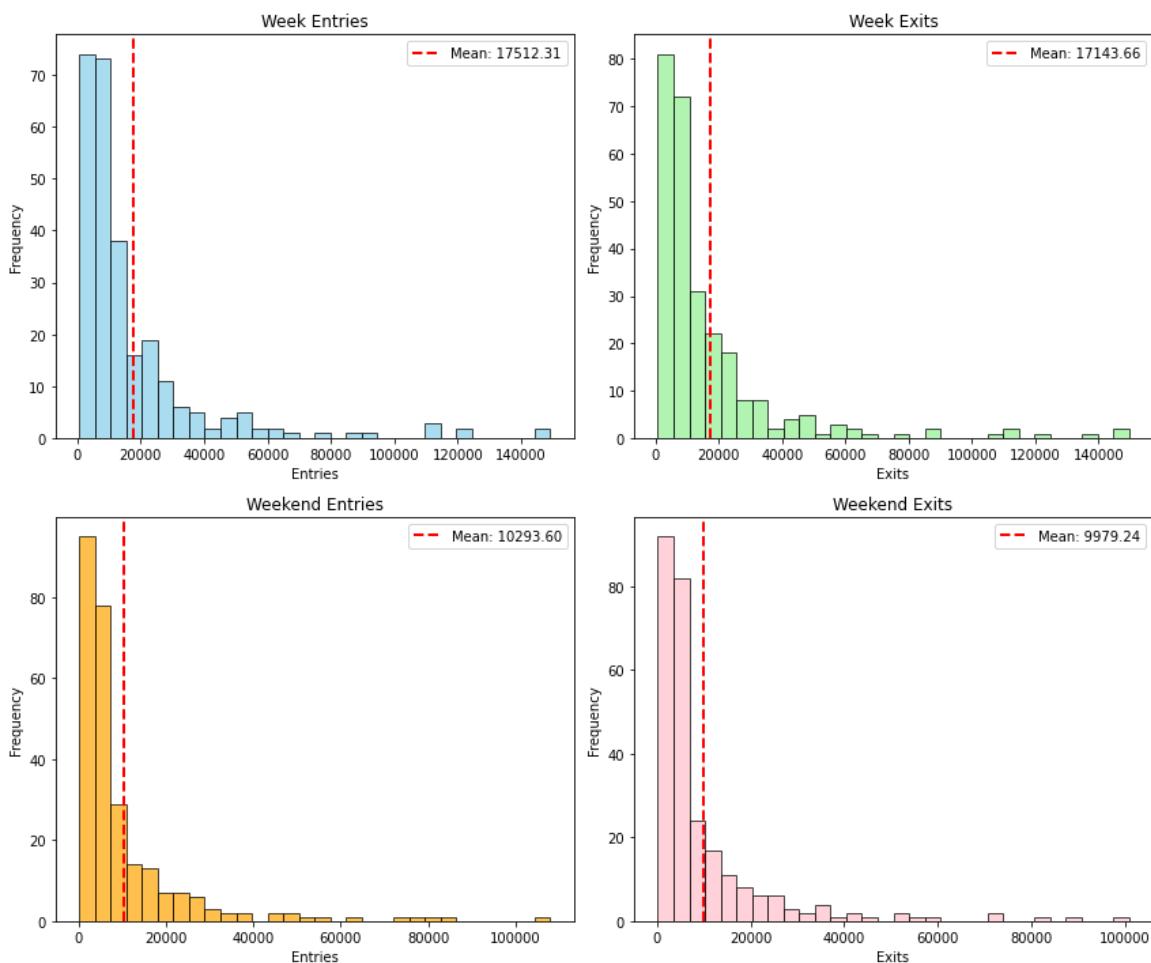
# Plot histograms with mean lines
axes[0, 0].hist(entry_week, bins=30, color='skyblue', edgecolor='black')
axes[0, 0].axvline(mean_entry_week, color='red', linestyle='dashed')
axes[0, 0].set_title('Week Entries')
axes[0, 0].set_xlabel('Entries')
axes[0, 0].set_ylabel('Frequency')
axes[0, 0].legend()

axes[0, 1].hist(exit_week, bins=30, color='lightgreen', edgecolor='black')
axes[0, 1].axvline(mean_exit_week, color='red', linestyle='dashed')
axes[0, 1].set_title('Week Exits')
axes[0, 1].set_xlabel('Exits')
axes[0, 1].set_ylabel('Frequency')
axes[0, 1].legend()

axes[1, 0].hist(avg_entry_weekend, bins=30, color='orange', edgecolor='black')
axes[1, 0].axvline(mean_avg_entry_weekend, color='red', linestyle='dashed')
axes[1, 0].set_title('Weekend Entries')
axes[1, 0].set_xlabel('Entries')
axes[1, 0].set_ylabel('Frequency')
axes[1, 0].legend()

axes[1, 1].hist(avg_exit_weekend, bins=30, color='pink', edgecolor='black')
axes[1, 1].axvline(mean_avg_exit_weekend, color='red', linestyle='dashed')
axes[1, 1].set_title('Weekend Exits')
axes[1, 1].set_xlabel('Exits')
axes[1, 1].set_ylabel('Frequency')
axes[1, 1].legend()

# Adjust layout
plt.tight_layout()
plt.show()
```



We can also plot barplots of the top exitede/entered stations, showing that those do not correspond well to the stations with the highest degrees in the network (only Kings Cross Coincides). We thus conclude that the Stations with high degrees are more used to change between lines than as start or end of journeys. The two most used stations on weekdays are the two major train stations Kings Cross and Waterloo, which probably corresponds to people coming to the city for work, while Waterlpoos significance reduces on weekends.

```
In [31]: # Define the categories to analyze and their corresponding colors
categories = ['Entry_Week', 'Exit_Week', 'Avg_Entry_Weekend', 'Avg_Exits_Weekend']
colors = ['skyblue', 'lightgreen', 'orange', 'pink']

# Create a 2x2 subplot
fig, axes = plt.subplots(2, 2, figsize=(16, 12))

# Plot bar diagrams for the top 5 most used stations in each category
for i, category in enumerate(categories):
    row, col = divmod(i, 2)
    top_stations = usage_data.nlargest(5, category)[['Station', category]]
    top_stations.set_index('Station', inplace=True)

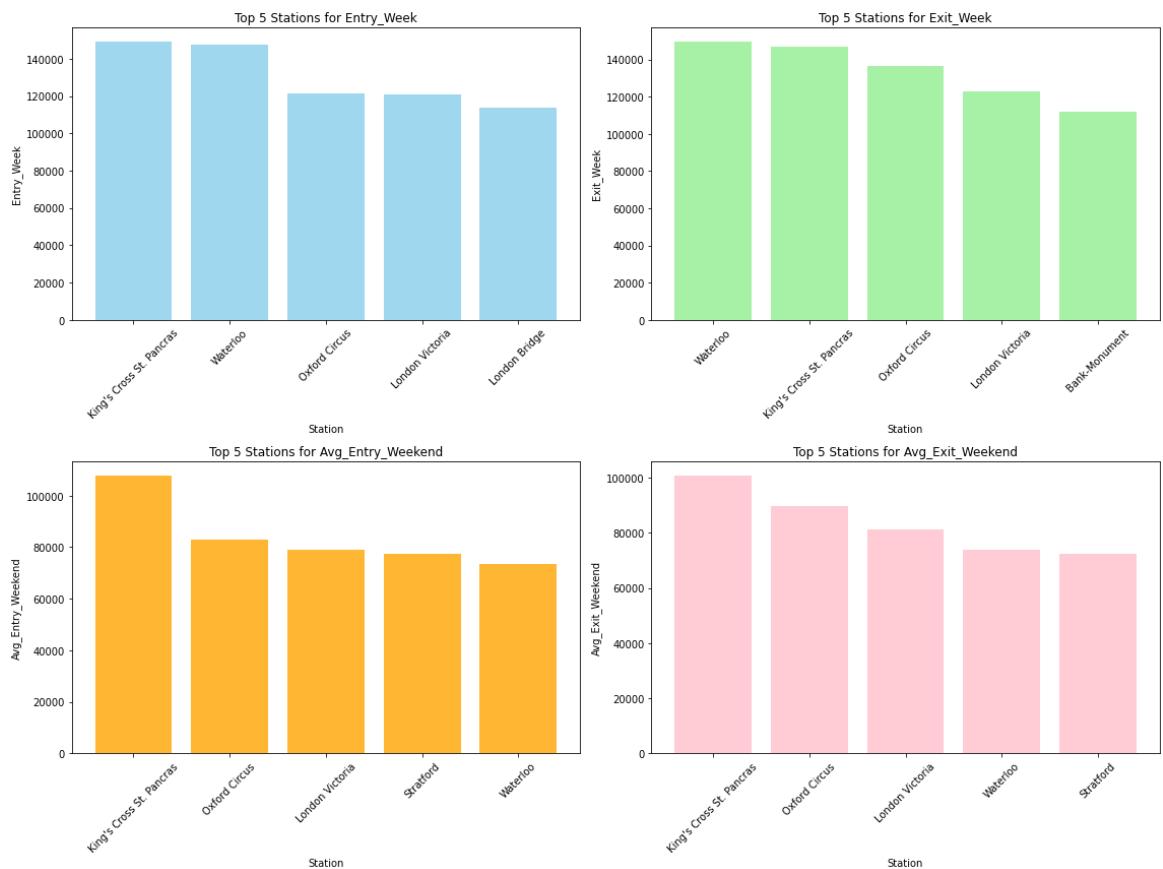
    # Create a bar plot in the corresponding subplot
    axes[row, col].bar(top_stations['Station'], top_stations[category])
    axes[row, col].set_title(f"Top 5 Stations for {category}")
    axes[row, col].set_xlabel("Station")
    axes[row, col].set_ylabel(category)
```

```

    axes[row, col].tick_params(axis='x', rotation=45)

# Adjust layout
plt.tight_layout()
plt.show()

```



These top 5 Stations marked on the map however still appear to be very much in the city center, as could be expected.

```

In [32]: # Identify the top 5 most exited and most entered stations
top_5_exited = usage_data.nlargest(5, 'Exit_Week')[['Station', 'Exit_Week']]
top_5_entered = usage_data.nlargest(5, 'Entry_Week')[['Station', 'Entry_Week']]

# Combine the top 5 exited and entered stations into a single set
top_5_combined_stations = set(top_5_exited['Station']).union(set(top_5_entered['Station']))

# Get the node IDs for these stations
top_5_combined_nodes = [node for node, label in labels.items() if label in top_5_combined_stations]

# Plot the network
plt.figure(figsize=(12, 12))

# Draw the entire network
nx.draw(G, pos=pos_geo, with_labels=False, node_size=10, node_color='lightgray')

# Highlight the combined top 5 stations
nx.draw_networkx_nodes(G, pos=pos_geo, nodelist=top_5_combined_nodes, node_size=100, node_color='red')

# Add labels for the highlighted stations
nx.draw_networkx_labels(G, pos=pos_geo, labels={node: labels[node] for node in top_5_combined_nodes}, font_size=10)

```

```
# Add legend  
plt.legend(scatterpoints=1, loc='upper left', fontsize=10)  
plt.title("London Tube Network with Top 5 Stations (Entered orExited)  
plt.show()
```

