

Efficient Anti-community Detection in Complex Networks

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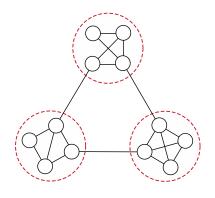
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Community Structure

Many networks contain community structures.

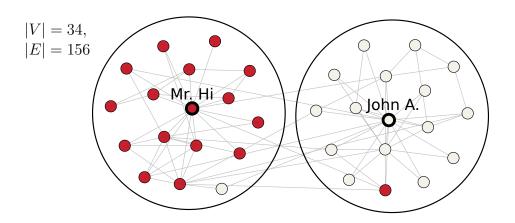
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Applications in sociology, computer science, physics, biology, . . . [For10]

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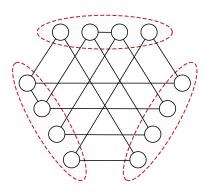


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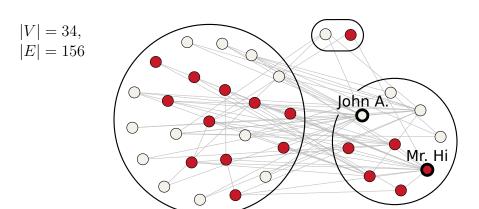
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Challenges and Objectives

▶ Definition

How to define anti-communities?

► Models and Algorithms

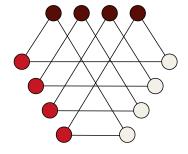
Which algorithms can be used?

Exploratory Analysis

Are anti-communities also present in other networks?

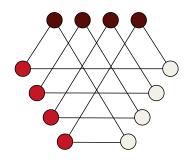
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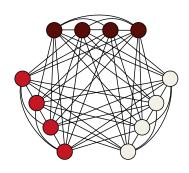
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Conclusions:

- ► Not really unique (many definitions for communities)
- Many existing algorithms and methods can be reused

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Clustering problem

Modularity Measure

Intuition: Number of internal edges in $\mathcal{G} = (V, E)$ minus number of edges in a random graph with same degree-distribution.

Modularity of a graph

$$M := \frac{1}{2m} \sum_{ij} \left[a_{ij} - \frac{d_i d_j}{2m} \right] \delta(g_i, g_j)$$

m: Total number of edges

 $\mathbf{A} = [a_{ij}]$: Adjacency matrix of \mathcal{G}

 $d = [d_i]$: Vertex degrees

 $\delta(g_i, g_j)$: 1 iff v_i and v_j are both in same group

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3. **Repeat**

If more than one group is left, go to step 2. Otherwise, return groups with best (Anti-)Modularity.

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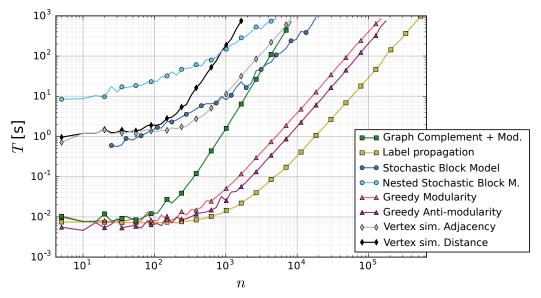
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2. Clustering

Compute clustering of feature vectors (*k-Means*, . . .)

Runtime Evaluation

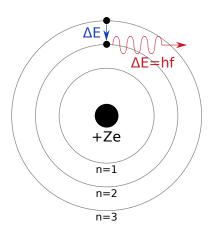


Evaluation with Erdős-Rényi random graphs (sparse)

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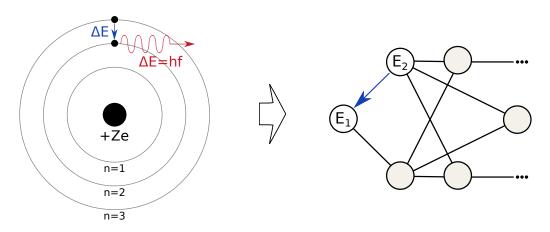
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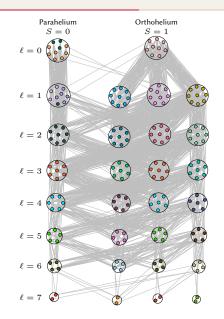
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Spectral line network network of Helium [KRRN15] with |V| = 183, |E| = 2282.

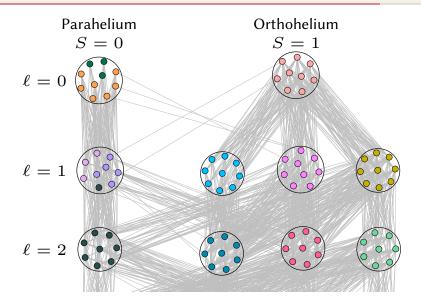
Colors show the anti-communities obtained with a vertex similarity method.

Circles show the ground-truth partition

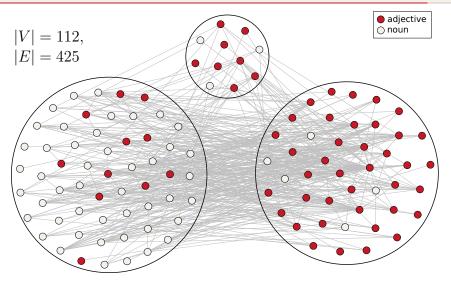
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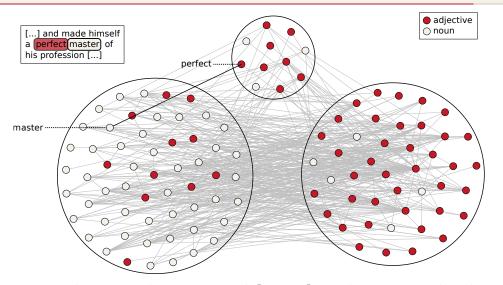


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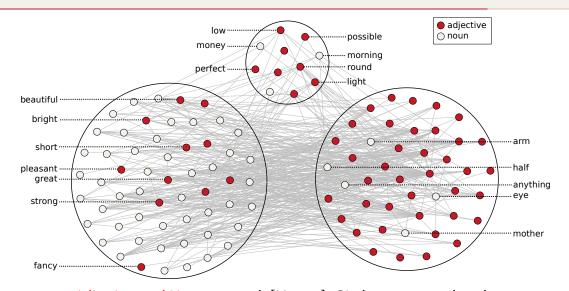
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- Anti-community structures are present in many networks, including
 - networks of spectral line transitions
 - Zachary's karate club network
 - ... and many more
- Many concepts of traditional community detection can be reused by computing the graph complement
- Specialized algorithms and measures are required if performance is important

Further Reading

Evaluation measures:

Adaption of the adjusted Rand index and normalized mutual information measures for anti-communities.

► Random graphs:

Algorithms to generate Erdős-Rényi and Barabási-Albert random graph model for graphs with (anti-)community structure.

▶ Performance evaluation:

Quality comparison for graphs with known community structure.

Resources

Implementations and datasets available at:

http://dbs.ifi.uni-heidelberg.de/
 resources/anticommunity



Thank you!

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Backup Slides

Baseline Methods

► Graph complement + X

Allows to reuse existing methods, but high memory usage / slow.

- ► Label propagation algorithm for anti-communities [CYC14] Fast, but poor quality
- **▶** Generic methods

e.g., Stochastic block models [Pei14; Pei17]

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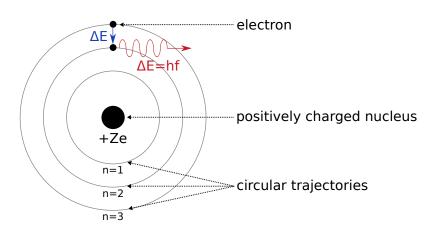
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Result can also be used to improve community detection!

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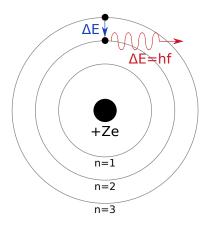
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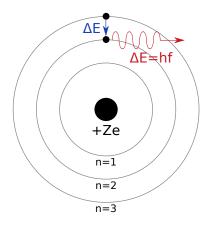
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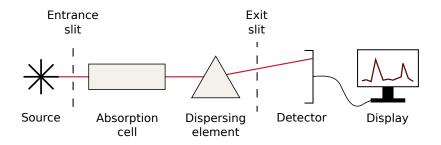
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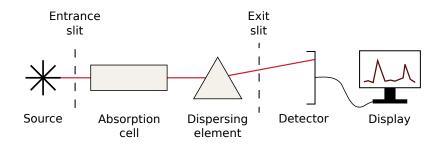
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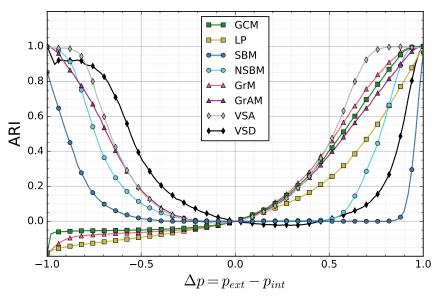
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