

Bipartite graphs and affiliation networks

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Outline

Affiliation networks and bipartite graphs

Duality

What UCINET can do

Exponential random bipartite graph models

Extension to k -partite data structures

Civic mobilisation and the 1992 presidential impeachment in Brazil

Lattice representations for bipartite graphs

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The notion of duality

duality refers to the mutually constitutive relationship between elements of two distinct sets

persons and groups in *affiliation networks*

Individuals come together within groups, which are collectivities based on the shared interests, personal affinities, or ascribed status of members who participate regularly in collective activities. At the same time, the particular patterning of an individual's affiliations (or the "intersection" of groups within the person) defines his points of reference and (at least partially) determines his individuality (Breiger, 1974)

cultural symbols and practice

"neither the material world (the world of action) nor the cultural world (the world of symbols) can exist (or be coherently structured) independently. Rather each is built up through its immediate association with the other." (Mohr & Duquenne)

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Exploring structural dualities

Breiger:

duality can be explored *empirically* through the structure of the relation between two sets of elements (in a similar way to network relations)

Mohr and Duquenne:

structural dualities are generalised social phenomena and can be represented formally using Galois lattices

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A famous affiliation network: the Southern women

participation of 18 women in 14 social events

		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	0	1	2	3	4
	E	E	E	E	E	E	E	E	E	E	E	E	E	E	E
	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
1	EVELYN	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0
2	LAURA	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
3	THERESA	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0
4	BRENDA	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
5	CHARLOTTE	0	0	1	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
6	FRANCES	0	0	1	0	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
7	ELEANOR	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
8	PEARL	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0
9	RUTH	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0
10	VERNE	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	1	0	0
11	MYRNA	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	0	1	0	0
12	KATHERINE	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	0	1	1	1
13	SYLVIA	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1
14	NORA	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1
15	HELEN	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	1	1	1	0	0
16	DOROTHY	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0
17	OLIVIA	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0
18	FLORA	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0

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UCINET options

2-mode scaling

Display of row and column entities in a common space using for example correspondence analysis (Faust, 2005)

2-mode factions

A *pair* of divisions of row and column categories so that concentration in diagonal blocks is maximised (uses a genetic algorithm)

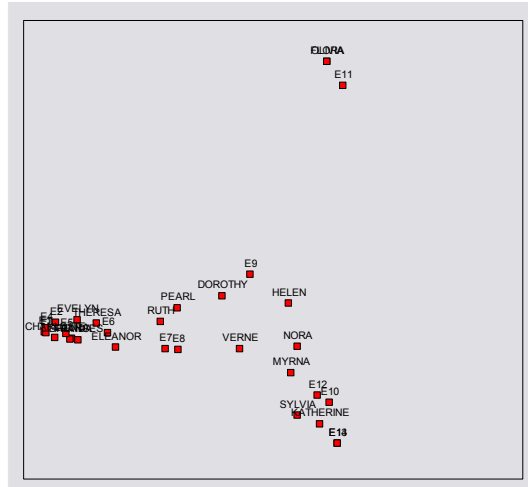
Presumably, one can repeat on each faction identified

Core/periphery analysis

A pair of divisions of row and column categories so that a core-periphery structure (ie lack of ties among pairs of entities in 'peripheral' categories) is emphasised (uses a genetic algorithm)

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Correspondence analysis for Southern Women



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2-MODE FACTION

Blocked Adjacency Matrix

		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	0	1	2	3	4
	E	E	E	E	E	E	E	E	E	E	E	E	E	E	E
1	EVELYN		1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1					
2	LAURA		1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1					
3	THERESA		1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1					
4	BRENDA		1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1					
5	CHARLOTTE		1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1					
6	FRANCES		1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1					
7	ELEANOR		1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1					
8	PEARL		1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1					
9	RUTH		1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1					
10	VERNE											1	1	1	1
11	MYRNA											1	1	1	1
12	KATHERINE											1	1	1	1
13	SYLVIA											1	1	1	1
14	NORA											1	1	1	1
15	HELEN											1	1	1	1
16	DOROTHY											1	1	1	1
17	OLIVIA											1	1	1	1
18	FLORA											1	1	1	1

Density matrix

	1	2
1	0.578	0.057
2	0.153	0.531

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2-MODE CATEGORICAL CORE/PERIPHERY MODEL

		8	9	7	3	5	6	4	1	2	0	1	2	3	4
		1 1 1 1 1													
		E E E E E E E E E E E E E E E E													
1	EVELYN		1	1		1	1	1	1	1	1	1			
2	LAURA		1	1		1	1	1	1	1	1	1			
3	THERESA		1	1	1		1	1	1	1	1	1			
4	BRENDA		1	1		1	1	1	1	1	1	1			
5	CHARLOTTE		1		1	1	1	1	1						
6	FRANCES		1			1	1	1	1						
7	ELEANOR		1	1		1	1	1	1						
12	KATHERINE		1	1					1	1	1	1			
9	RUTH		1	1	1		1								
10	VERNE		1	1	1				1						
15	HELEN		1	1					1	1	1				
14	NORA		1	1	1		1		1	1	1	1	1		
13	SYLVIA		1	1	1				1	1	1	1			

Density matrix

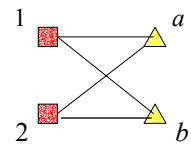
		1	2
1		0.703	0.293
2		0.500	0.093

Building exponential random bipartite graph models

1. Regard ties as variable: X_{ij} random variable signifying the relation between woman i and event j
2. Neighbourhood structure: attendances are conditionally dependent if:
 - They share a woman
 - They share an event
 - They are linked by a 4-cycle

e.g.

		Events	
		a	b
woman 1		1	1
woman 2		1	0



3. Distinguish women from events in homogeneity assumptions


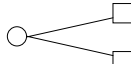

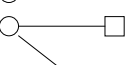
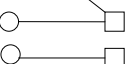
The Southern Women: (Davis, Davis & Gardner, 1941; see also Skvoretz & Faust, 1999)

<i>Model</i>	<i>no. of parameters</i>	<i>-2LPL</i>	<i>MAR</i>
Bernoulli	1	327.3	.457
p_1 for two-mode relational data	31	256.2	.338
Markov (edges, 2-stars)	3	304.8	.416
Markov (edges, 2-stars, 3-stars)	5	302.6	.411
clustering (edges, 2-stars, 3-paths, $K_{2,2}$)	5	228.6	.293

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The clustering model

(Key: ○ woman □ event)

<i>neighbourhood</i>	<i>parameter estimate</i>
	-2.65 (.60)
	1.42 (.25)
	1.06 (.17)
	-0.17 (.02)
	0.33 (.05)

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Southern women: fit of clustering model

woman	events
1	11111101100000
2	11101111100000
3	0 1111111100000
4	1 0 111111100000
5	00111 0 1000000
6	001011 0 100000
7	000 0 1111100000
8	0000010110000
9	0000101110000
10	0000001110010
11	000000011 1 010
12	0000000111 0 111
13	0000001111 0 111
14	00000 1 10111111
15	00000011 0 1110
16	0000000110000
17	0000000 0 10100
18	0000000 0 10100

bold values associated with absolute residuals $\geq .6$

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The convergence of the 1992 Brazilian impeachment movement (Mische)

Entities:

Groups (22 key organisations)

Projects (25 distinct projects)

Events (27 key events, divided into three main periods:

articulation, denunciation, mobilisation)

Relational data:

adoption of projects by groups

each represented

formal presence of groups at events

by a binary array

formal expression of projects at events

or bipartite graph

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K-partite relations: the Brazilian political arena

Organisations

Youth organizations

- | | |
|-----------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| a. National Student Union (UNE) | b. Law Students association (CAXI) |
| c. Catholic Youth Pastoral (PJMP) | d. Union of Socialist Youth (UJS) |
| e. Agronomy Students group (FEAB) | f. Black Students group (CONUN) |
| g. Junior Enterprises (FEJESP) | h. Business/NGOs (AIESEC) |

Political parties

- | | |
|-----------------------------------|---------------------------|
| i. Communist Party (PCdB) | j. Workers' Party (PT) |
| k. Social-democratic Party (PSDB) | l. Right-wing Party (PDS) |

Civic organizations

- | | |
|--------------------------|--------------------------------|
| m. Bar Association (OAB) | n. Bishops' Conference (CNBB) |
| o. Research NGO (IBASE) | p. Unified Labor Central (CUT) |

Business associations

- | | |
|-----------------------------------|---|
| q. Federation of Industry (FIESP) | r. "Modern" Business Association (PNBE) |
|-----------------------------------|---|

Mainstream media

- | | |
|----------------------------|--------------------------|
| s. Mediate magnate (GLOBO) | t. Liberal press (VEJA.) |
|----------------------------|--------------------------|

State actors

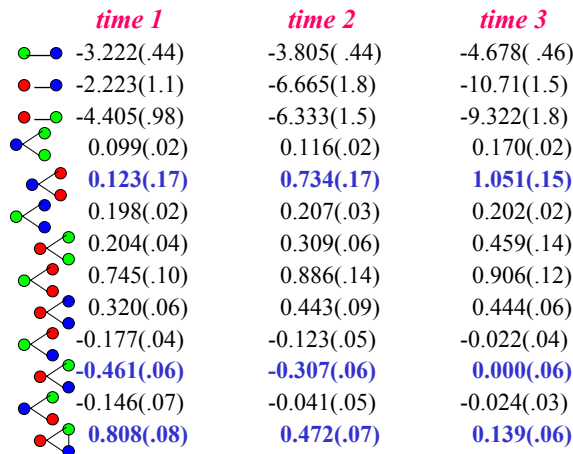
- | | |
|---|-------------------------|
| u. State Government of São Paulo (GESP) | v. Military Police (PM) |
|---|-------------------------|

Projects

- | | |
|---|---------------------------------------|
| 1. reforming university system | 2. improving professional training |
| 3. democratizing student movement | 4. recruiting new participants |
| 5. controlling student organizations | 6. detonating revolutionary activity |
| 7. constructing socialist society | 8. empowering community organization |
| 9. defeating neo-liberal project | 10. increasing social programs |
| 11. protecting human rights | 12. defending workers' rights |
| 13. ending social discrimination | 14. winning local/national elections |
| 15. strengthening democratic institutions | 16. expanding civic participation |
| 17. reconstituting civic organizations | 18. stabilizing economy |
| 19. deregulating economy | 20. privatizing state industries |
| 21. expanding public ratings | 22. consolidating institutional power |
| 23. maintaining public order | 24. fighting public corruption |
| 25. defending national sovereignty | 26. protecting the environment |
| 27. conducting land reform | 28. developing science and technology |
| 29. improving education | |

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Brazil



Key : organisation ● project ● event ●

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What does this suggest?

Articulation phase

particularistic projects expressed in partially segmented student, labour and professional sub-contexts

Denunciation phase

Organisational diversification combined with projective suppression; the broader civic projects gained salience over more particularistic projects in complex public settings

Mobilisation phase

Organisational convergence; particularistic projects held in suspension in order to unite diverse organisations at events

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Lattice representations

Affiliation network data: membership of 5 actors in 4 groups

actor	group			
	<i>a</i>	<i>b</i>	<i>c</i>	<i>d</i>
1	1	1	1	1
2	1	1	1	0
3	0	1	1	1
4	0	1	1	0
5	0	0	0	1

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Elementary comparisons

We can compare membership *profiles* across actors

e.g.	group
	<i>a b c d</i>
<i>actor 2</i>	1 1 1 0
<i>actor 3</i>	0 1 1 1

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Overlaps and orderings

We can ask what groups two actors have in common:

e.g.	group
	<i>a b c d</i>
<i>actor 2</i>	1 1 1 0
<i>actor 3</i>	0 1 1 1

The **overlap** (or intersection) is:

0 1 1 0 *common group memberships*

For the profiles:

1 1 1 0 (*actor 2*)
0 1 1 0 (*actor 4*)

the overlap is

0 1 1 0 *same as actor 4*

Here we can say that the two profiles are **ordered**: actor 4 profile < actor 2 profile

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Representing overlaps and ordering

In general: if the overlap of profile x and profile y is equal to profile y , then profile $y \leq$ profile x

Identifying orderings and overlaps

1. Begin with the set of observed profiles
2. Compute all possible distinct overlaps between subsets of profiles
3. Add the profile that comprises all features: 1 1 1 1 ... 1

The line diagram

1. Each distinct observed or overlap profile becomes a “node” in the line diagram
2. The line diagram is drawn so that profile x is connected to profile y by an ascending path of lines if and only if profile $x <$ profile y

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Building the line diagram

Data

groups

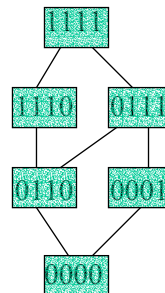
abcd

1	1111	1110 and 1111 = 1110
2	1110	1110 and 0111 = 0110
3	0111	1110 and 0110 = 0110
4	0110	1110 and 0001 = 0000
5	0001	<i>etc. etc.</i>

overlap profiles

0 0 0 0

Partial order diagram



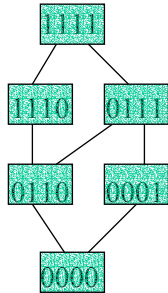
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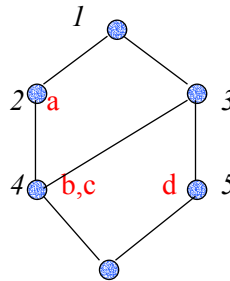
The line diagram

Data
abcd
 1 1111
 2 1110
 3 0111
 4 0110
 5 0001

Partial order diagram



Line diagram



Each person is at or above the groups to which they belong

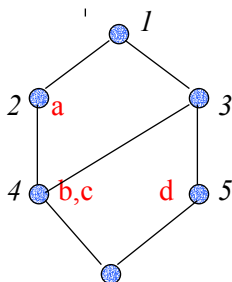
Each group is at or below the people who are members

The line diagram is in 1-1 correspondence with the data

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Reading the line diagram

Line diagram



The line diagram displays:

- groups in relation to actors
- actors in relation to groups
- orderings/overlaps/clusters for actors
- orderings/overlaps/cluster for groups
- the raw data

Each actor is at or above the groups to which they belong

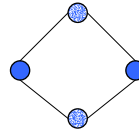
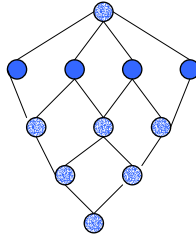
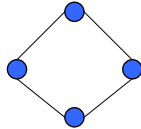
Each group is at or below the actors who are members

Note: the *duality* of the representation

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Some simple structural forms

ordering	partial	unfolding	clustering
1111	1111	111000	1100
1110	1110	011100	1100
1100	0111	001110	0011
1000	0110	000111	0011



Note: *filled nodes indicate item locations*

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The concept (Galois) lattice (Wille, 1984; Ganter & Wille, 1999)

Let

A set of n people

B set of p problems

X $n \times p$ data matrix, with

$X_{ij} = 1$ if person i solves problem j ,

0 otherwise

For $P \subseteq A$ and $Q \subseteq B$, define

$P' = \{j \in B \mid X_{ij} = 1 \text{ for all } i \in P\}$ and $Q' = \{i \in A \mid X_{ij} = 1 \text{ for all } j \in Q\}$

The mappings $P \rightarrow P'$ and $Q \rightarrow Q'$ form a *Galois connection* between the power sets of A and B

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The concept lattice and the line diagram

A *concept* is a pair (P, Q) such that $P' = Q$ and $Q' = P$

Partial ordering of concepts: $(P_1, Q_1) \leq (P_2, Q_2)$ iff $P_1 \subseteq P_2$ iff $Q_2 \subseteq Q_1$

The set of all concepts under this partial ordering form a *lattice*

The *line diagram* represents the lattice:

Each node corresponds to a concept

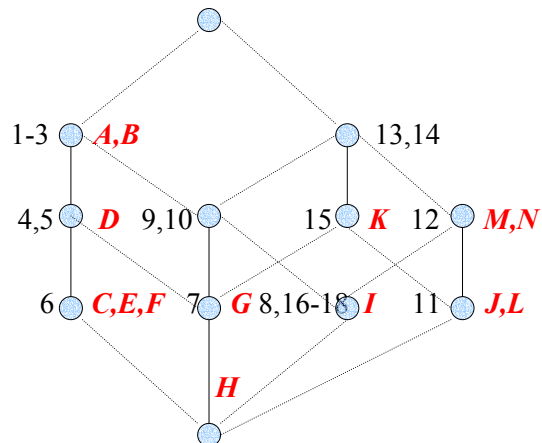
$(P_1, Q_1) \leq (P_2, Q_2)$ iff there is an ascending path from (P_1, Q_1) to (P_2, Q_2)

The label i is attached to the concept $(\{i\}'', \{i\}')$

The label j is attached to the concept $(\{j\}', \{j\}''')$

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Southern women: rank 4 approximation



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TOSCANA (Wille and others)

A serious lattice visualisation tool for bipartite graphs

Worth a look!

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Finally

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Stay connected!

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