

# Networks Structure and Dynamics: 12. Graph dynamics

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## Context

### Data

- Social Media;
- Motion;
- Infrastructure.

### Important Entities

- Influencers;
- Super-spreaders;
- Critical points.

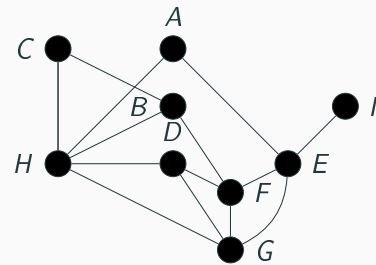


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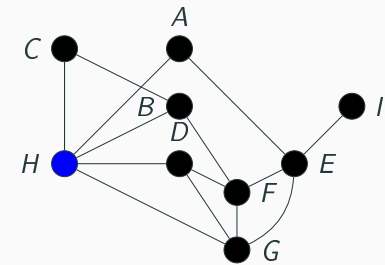
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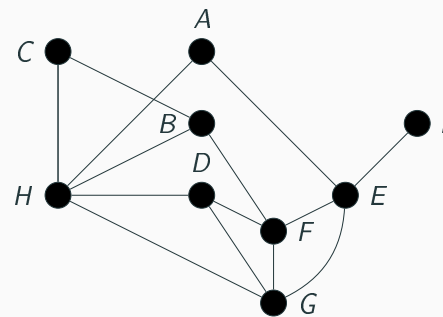
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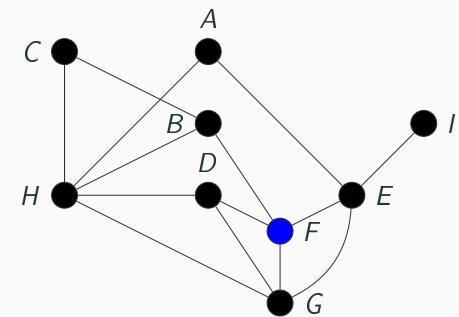
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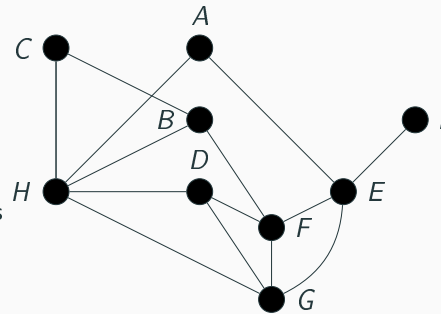
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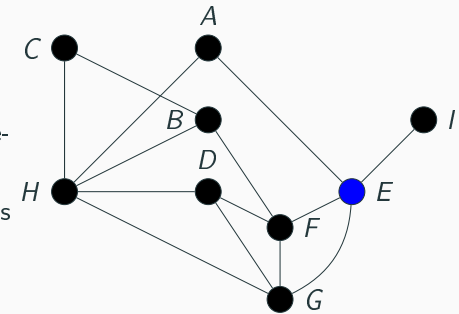
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But networks evolve ?

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What happens if we just ignore the dynamics ?

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## Example: Degree centrality



### Questions

What is the degree of B ?

Is this meaningful ?

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Is this meaningful ? Yes

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## Disadvantage

Omitting the dynamics of the graph:

- How long last nodes/links;
- **Evolution**;
- **Temporal Paths**;
- ...

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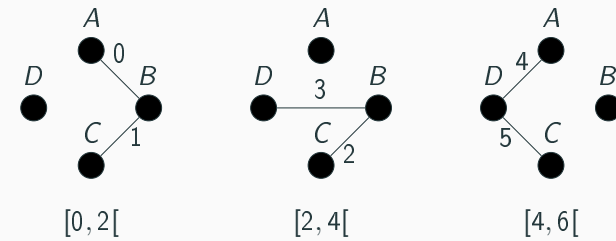
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## Snapshot

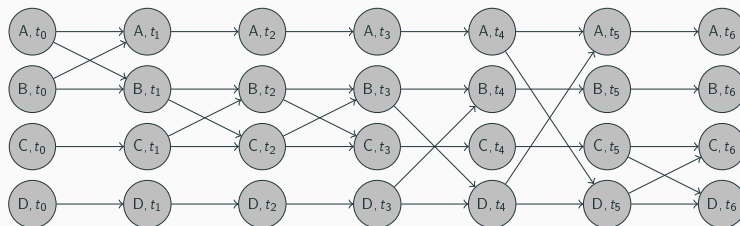


- Evolution is represented;
- Not all paths are represented;
- Some paths are wrong.

Uddin et al.14 - in *Social Computing (SocialCom)*, 2013

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## Direct Acyclic graph



- Links of difference nature;
- Coverage Centrality:  
→ fraction of shortest path that pass through the node.

Takaguchi et al.16 - in *The European Physical Journal B*

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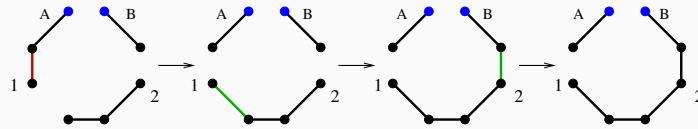
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## Temporal paths



Path from A to B.

No path from B to A.

Strong difference with the static version of distance.

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## Temporal path – definition

### Définition intuitive

Succession of nodes  $u_1, \dots, u_k$  such that:

- there exists a link  $(u_1, u_2)$  at time  $t_1$ ,  
 $(u_2, u_3)$  at time  $t_2, \dots$ ;
- $t_1 < t_2 < \dots$ ;

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## Variants

Several variants according to different authors:

- The use of a link is immediate  
(nb of links one can use at a given time is then infinite);
- One needs  $\delta$  to go through a link  
(given as a parameter);

More or less realistic according to the context.

More or less easy to compute.

Several definitions rely on paths, such as ...?

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## Distance

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## Distance

At least 3 natural definitions:

- the least number of hops;
- **shortest in time to reach the target node;**
- Fastest when transfer begins.

All the notions are useful depending on the context.

We will focus on the **shortest in time to reach the target node.**

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## Distance – definition

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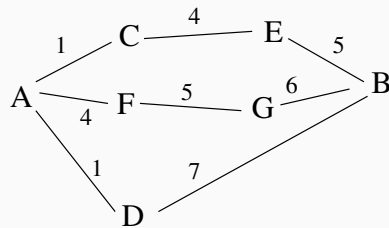
Let  $i, j$  be nodes,  $t$  a starting time.

Let  $t_a$  be the smallest time one needs to send a message from  $i$  to  $j$  (if possible).

Then the *temporal* distance from  $i$  to  $j$  at time  $t$  is:  $t_a - t$ .

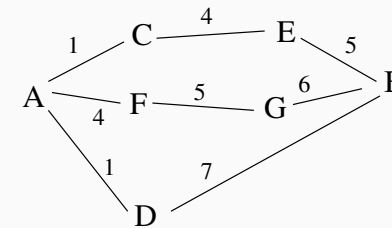
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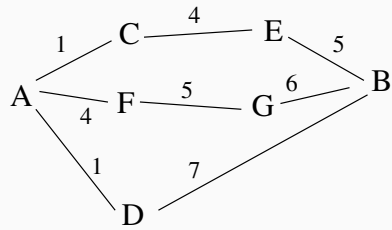
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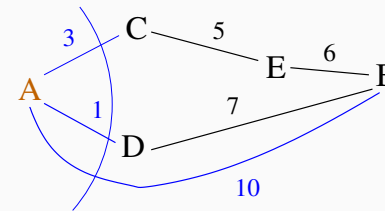
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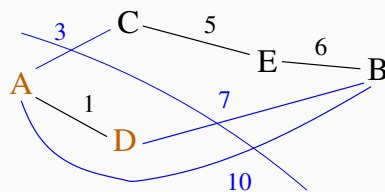
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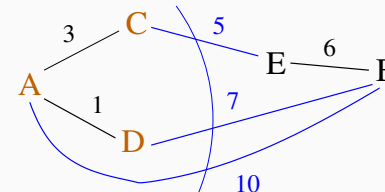
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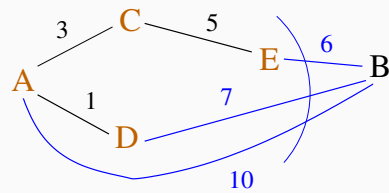


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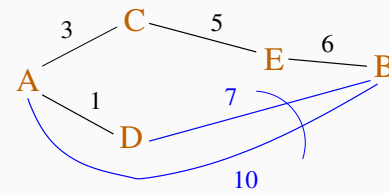
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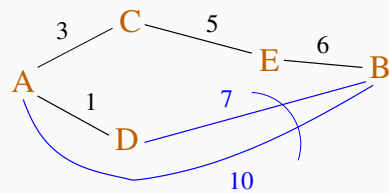
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## Betweenness centralities

Let  $G$  be a graph and  $v$ ,  $s$  and  $t$  be nodes of  $G$ .

We call *betweenness centralities* the value:

$$BC(v) = \sum_{s \neq t \neq v} \frac{\sigma_{st}(v)}{\sigma_{st}}$$

with:

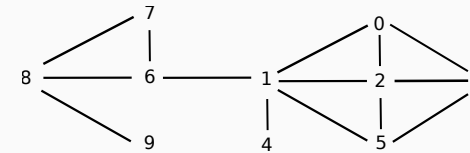
- $\sigma_{st}$  : nb of shortest paths between  $s$  and  $t$ ;
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## Meaning

Captures the importance of a node  $v$  in a graph as a **relay** for diffusing information:

- propagation of signals/messages/virus;
- connectivity of the network.



Exercise : compute  $BC(0)$ ,  $BC(1)$  and  $BC(4)$ .

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  - Compute a spanning DAG (Directed Acyclic Graph) ;
  - Rely on the computation of the distances;
  - Use the depth of a node (distance to the root) in order to decide if a node is already part of the DAG or not.

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Exercise :

- Propose an algorithm computing the DAG of all shortest paths, given a graph  $G$  and a node  $s$ ;
- Given a DAG of shortest paths, propose a formula allowing to compute, for every node  $v$ , the couple  $(dn, up)$  where:
  - $dn$  : nb of downward paths of  $v$ ;
  - $up$  : nb of upward paths of  $v$ .
- Deduce the number of shortest paths starting from  $s$  and going through  $v$ ;
- Apply the algorithm to the DAG starting from 3 in the previous graph;
- Propose the final algorithm enabling to compute the betweenness centrality of a given node.

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## Betweenness centrality

Which **dynamic** version for centrality?

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## Dynamic centrality – several propositions

### Evolution of the standard centrality

Compute the Betweenness centrality for each time intervals

- depends on the size of the window;
- do not take into account realistic communications in most of the cases.

### Direct acyclic representation

Compute the Betweenness centrality for each node

- Expensive.

### Extension to temporal paths

For a node  $i$ , compute the fraction of shortest temporal paths going through  $i$ .

- Temporal paths depends strongly on starting time.

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## Temporal Betweenness Centrality

Nicosia et al. - *in Temporal Networks, 2013*

Take into account the waiting time on the nodes:

If one has a unique shortest time from  $i$  to  $j$  :

$i \rightarrow k \rightarrow j$

the importance of  $k$  depends on the time the message "spends" on  $k$

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## Temporal Betweenness Centrality – definition

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$$C_i(t_m) = \frac{1}{(n-1)(n-2)} \sum_{j \neq i} \sum_{k \neq i,j} \frac{U(i, t_m, j, k)}{\sigma_{jk}}$$

- $U(i, t_m, j, k)$  : nb of shortest temporal paths from  $j$  to  $k$  such that one uses  $i$  at a time  $\leq t_m$ ;
- $\sigma_{jk}$  : nb of shortest temporal paths from  $j$  to  $k$ .

Average centrality: average over all time instants

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## Temporal Betweenness Centrality – drawbacks

- All paths start at the initial time!
- Only the average value is studied.

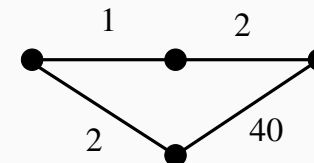
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## Mediation

Tang et al. - *in Temporal Networks, 2013*

### Idea

If  $k$  is on a shortest temporal path between  $i$  and  $j$   
its importance depends on the second shortest temporal path.



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## Mediation – in practice

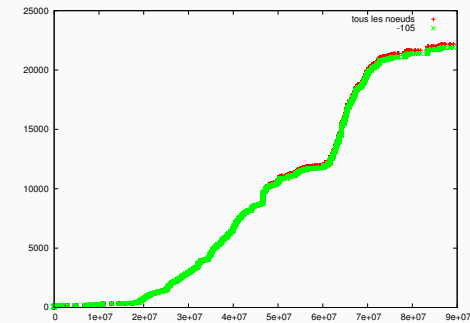
### Principe

- Compute all distances between all pairs of nodes;
- Suppress the node  $i$ ;
- Compute again all distances  
Difference : importance of node  $i$ .

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## Mediation - example

### Cumulative distribution of distances



Need to take into account paths that start at all instants

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## Importance of a node – other propositions

### Alternatives exist

- **Closeness** centralities and extensions  
Time Evolution of the Importance of Nodes in dynamic Networks, Magnien & Tarissan - in *Asonam*, 2015
- **Coverage** centrality  
Coverage centralities for temporal networks, Takaguchi *et. al* - in *The European Physical Journal B*, 2015
- ...

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## Conclusion

Properties defined for static networks are insufficient to describe dynamic networks

In this course:

- Properties related to **temporal paths**

### Other properties

- Temporal patterns;
- Duration of nodes/links;
- Resilience of links;
- Dynamic communities;
- ...

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