

Complex Networks

tools for analyzing networks (Gephi)

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tools for analyzing networks

- (static) visualization
 - graphvis
 - LGL (Large Graph Layout)
- domain-specific tools
 - Pajek, UCInet: social network analysis
 - Cytoscape: bioinformatics
- interactive visualization
 - JUNG, Netminer, igraph, SONIVIS, Commetrix, NetworkWorkbench, visone, CFinder,...

For more information:

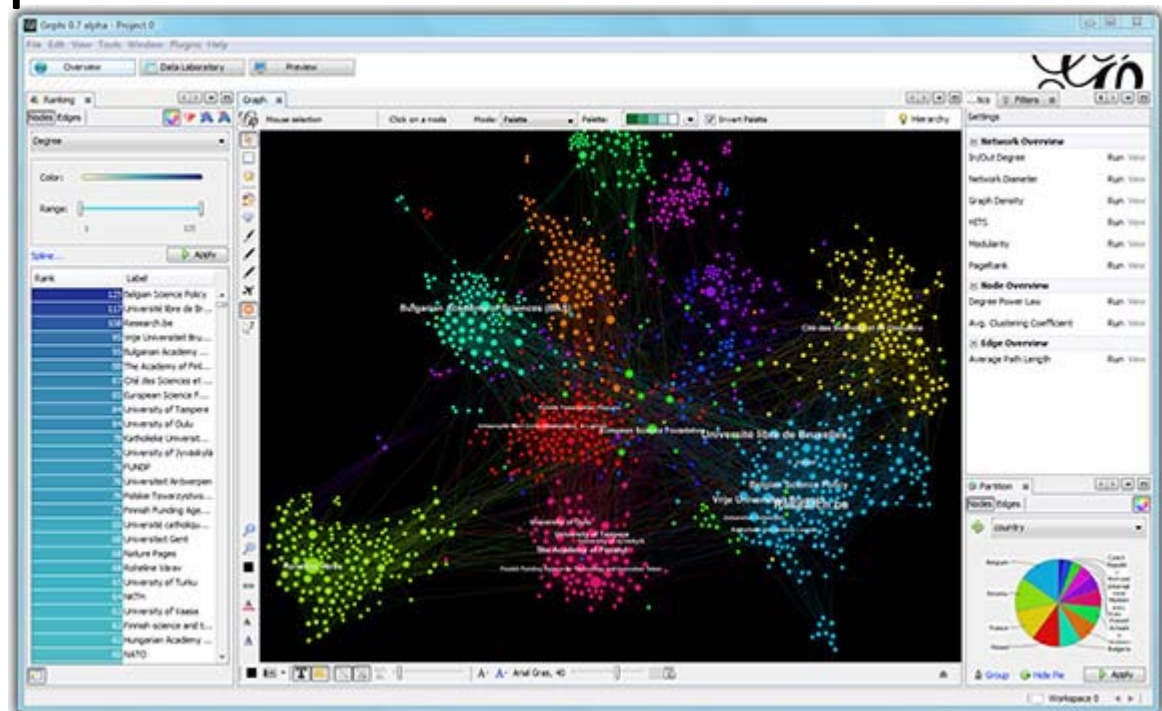
“Recent Large Graph Visualization Tools : A Review”

Sorn JARUKASEMRATANA, Tsuyoshi MURATA, Computer Software Vol. 30, No. 2 pp.159-175, 2013.

https://www.jstage.jst.go.jp/article/jssst/30/2/30_2_159/_article

Gephi <http://gephi.org/>

- Gephi is an interactive visualization and exploration platform for all kinds of networks and complex systems, dynamic and hierarchical graphs.



tutorial of Gephi

- online tutorials
 - <http://gephi.org/users/> (English)
 - <http://oss.infoscience.co.jp/gephi/gephi.org/index.html> (Japanese)



- using wheel mouse is strongly recommended



Input/output

- input

- CSV
- Pajek NET
- Guess GDF
- GEXF
- GraphML
- Graphviz DOT
- UCInet DL
- NetdrawVNA
- Tulip TLP
- Excel Spreadsheetater

- output

- CSV
- Pajek NET
- Guess GDF
- GEXF
- GraphML
- Excel Spreadsheet
- SVG
- PDF
- PNG

demo for analyzing network

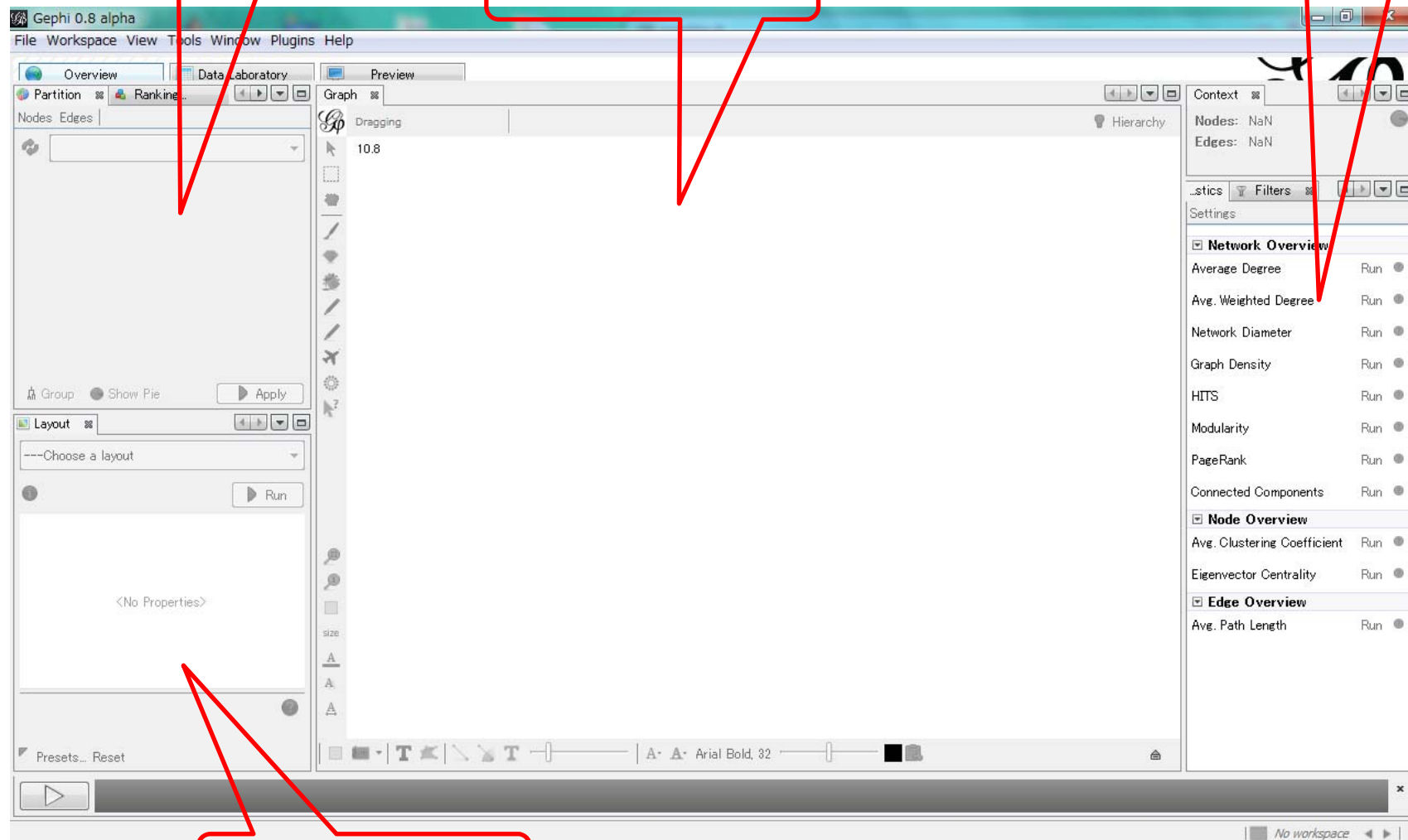
1. import file LesMiserables.gexf
(<http://gephi.org/datasets/LesMiserables.gexf>)
2. layout the network
3. ranking
4. metrics
5. community detection
6. export

0. starting Gephi

ranking/partition

main

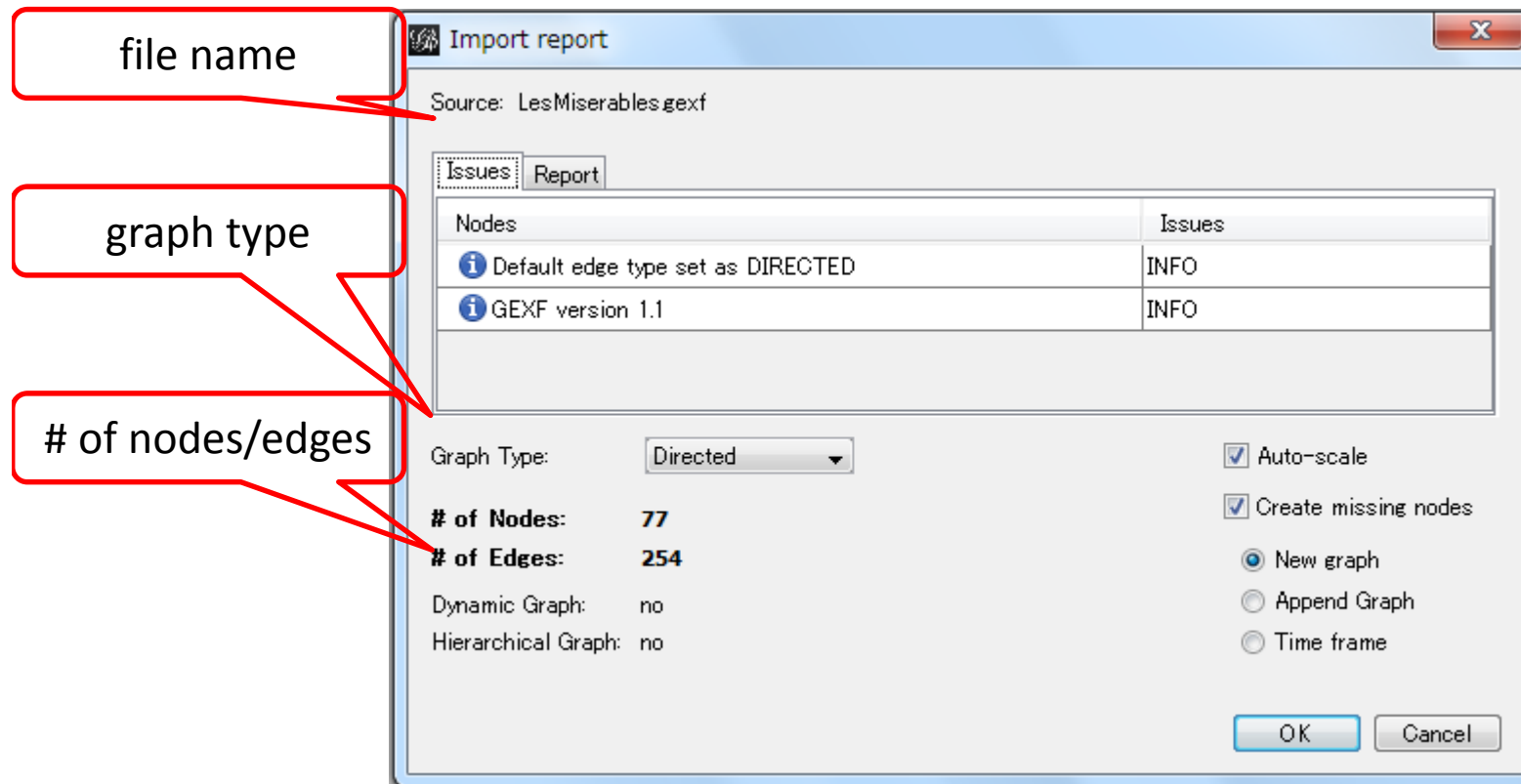
metrics



layout

1. import

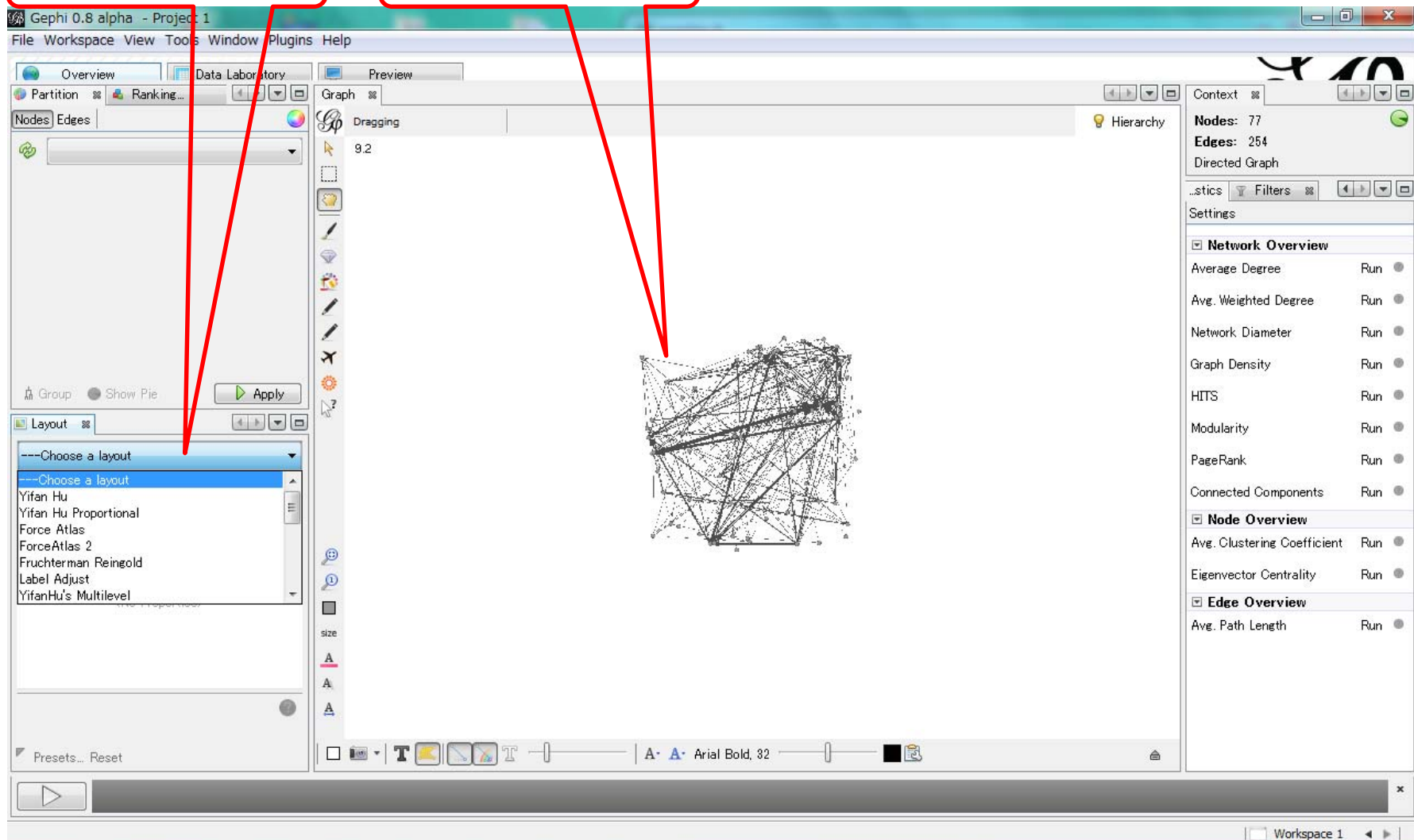
- In the menu bar, go to File Menu and Open
- import report (summary) appears



2. layout (1)

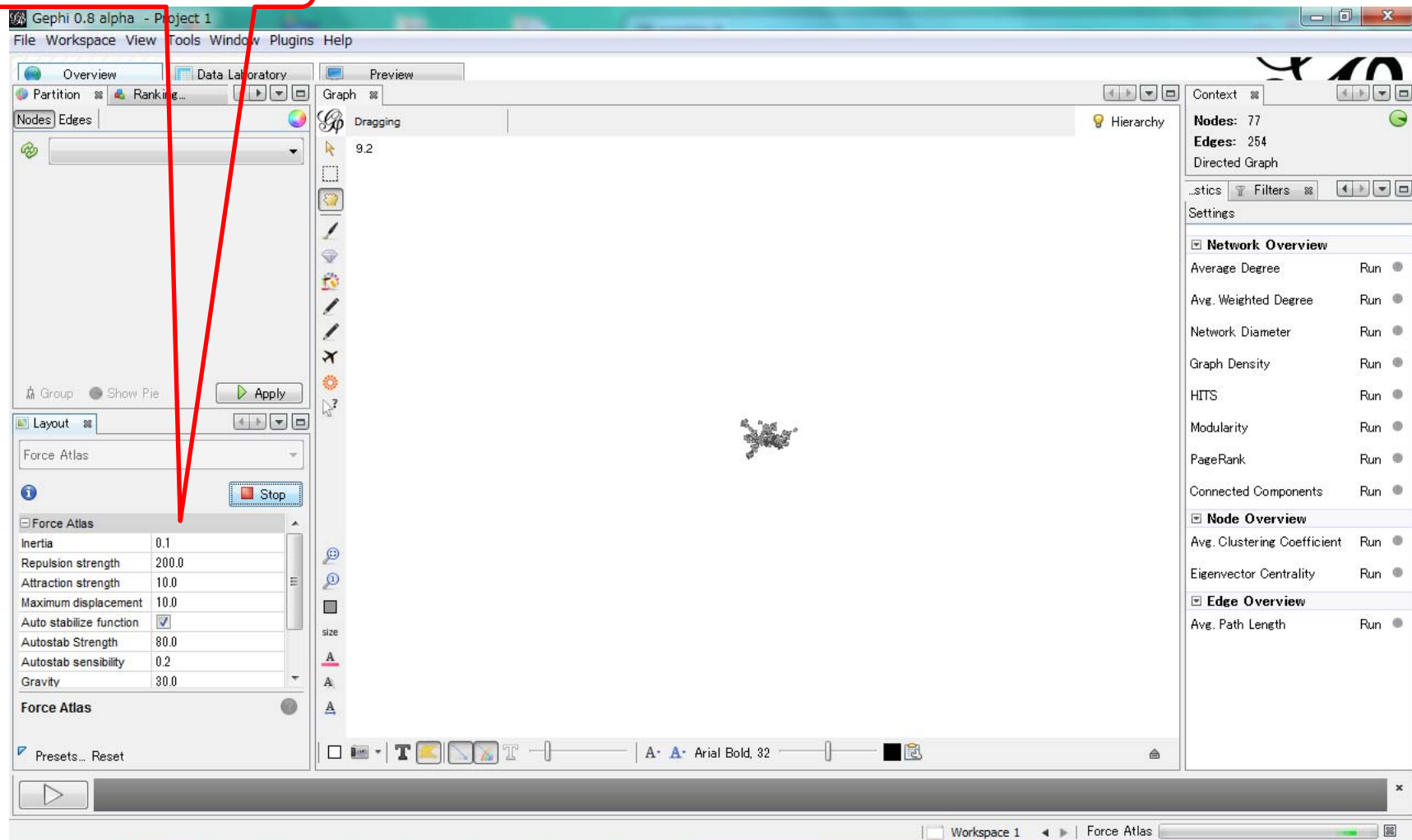
layout algorithms

network



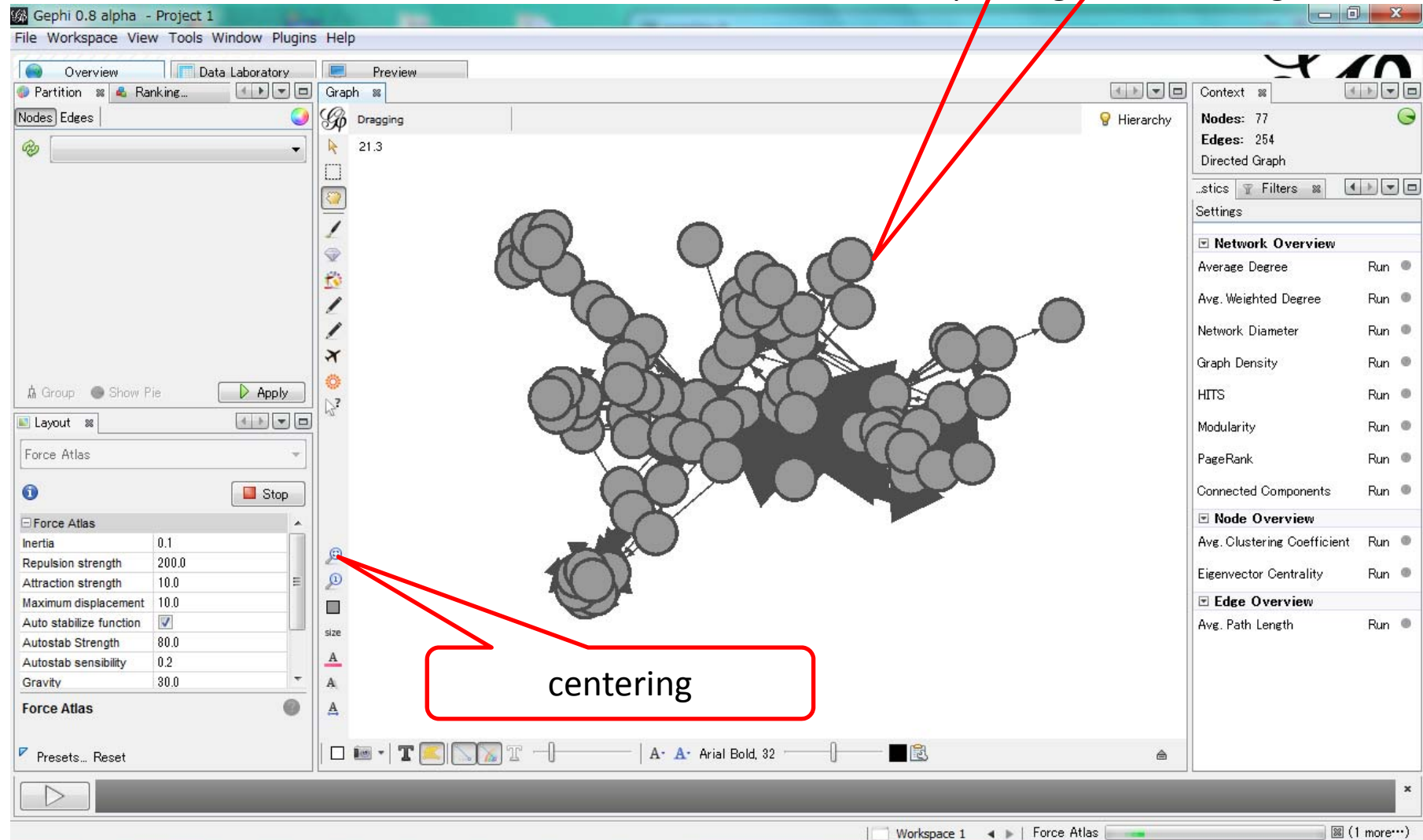
2. layout (2)

adjust parameters



zoom & pan

zoom: mouse wheel
pan: right click & drag



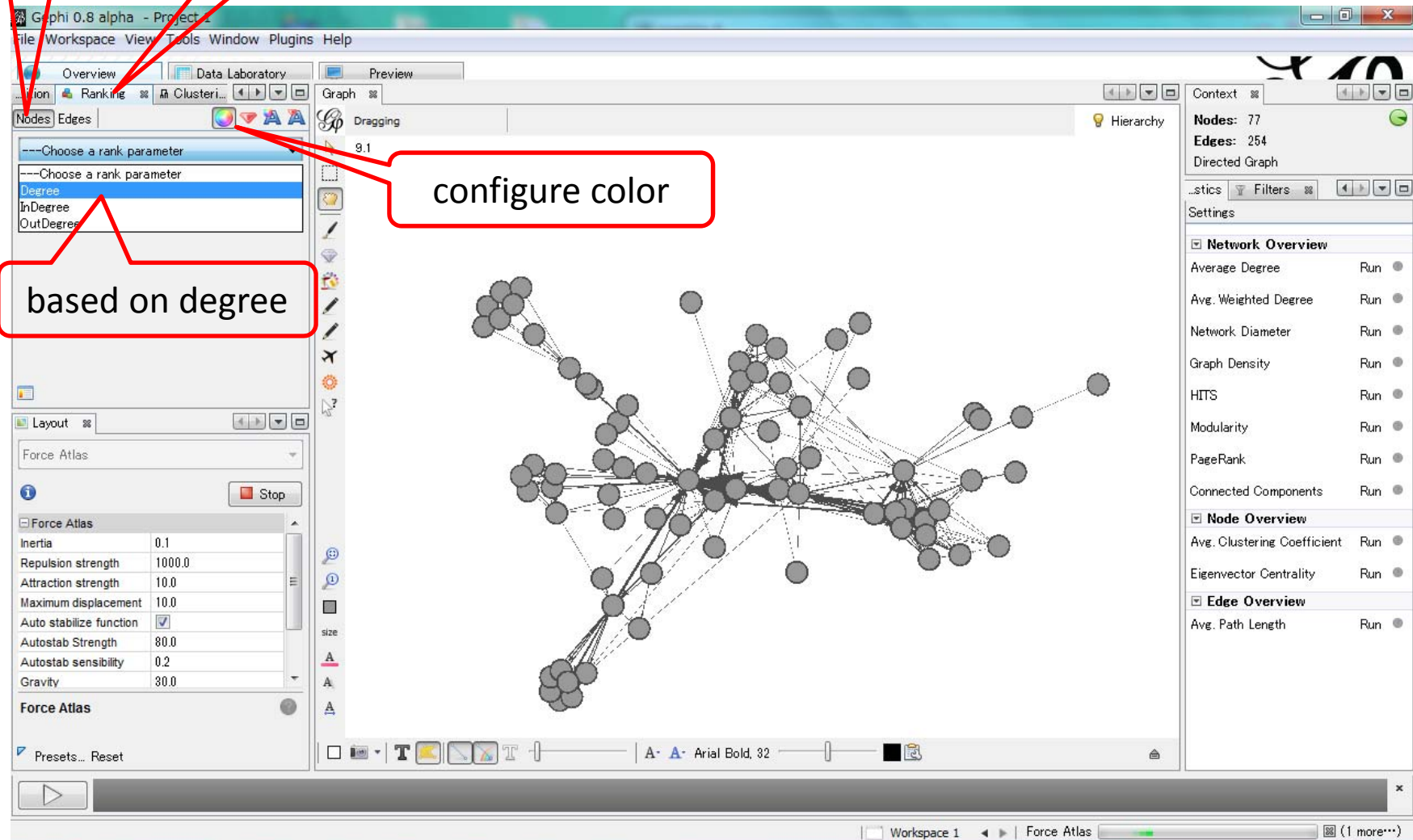
3. ranking (1)

nodes

ranking

configure color

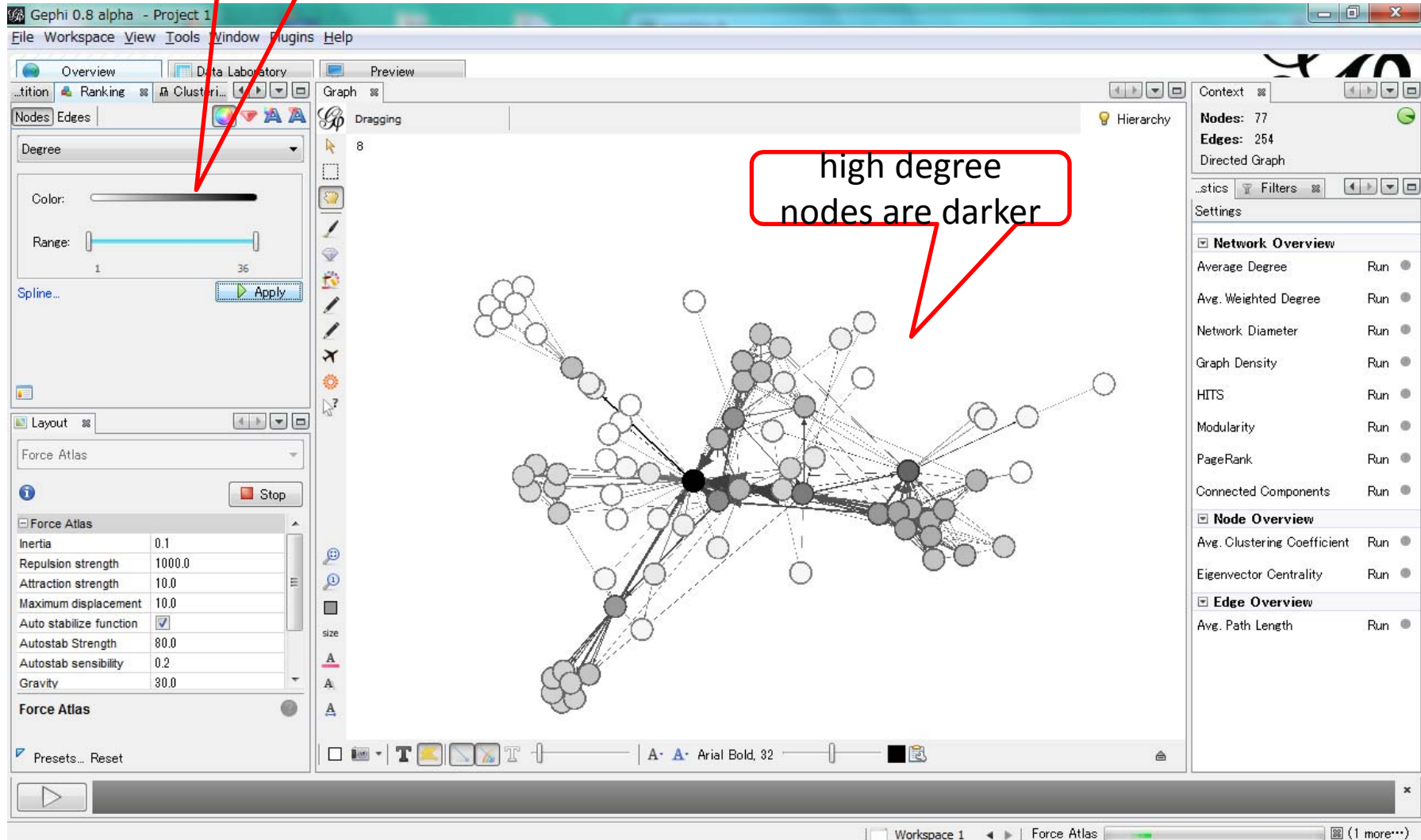
based on degree



3. ranking (2)

set color

high degree
nodes are darker



labeling nodes

The screenshot displays the Gephi 0.8 alpha software interface. The central workspace shows a network graph with nodes and edges. The left sidebar contains several panels: 'Overview' (with 'Nodes' and 'Edges' tabs), 'Data Laboratory', 'Preview', 'Graph' (with 'Dragging' and 'Hierarchy' options), 'Nodes' (with 'Degree' and 'Color' settings), 'Edges' (with 'Range' and 'Spline' options), 'Layout' (with 'Force Atlas' and 'Stop' buttons), and 'Force Atlas' (with various parameters like Inertia, Repulsion strength, Attraction strength, Maximum displacement, Auto stabilize function, Autostab Strength, Autostab sensibility, and Gravity). The right sidebar contains 'Context' (with 'Nodes: 77' and 'Edges: 254') and 'Settings' (with 'Network Overview', 'Node Overview', and 'Edge Overview' sections). The bottom status bar shows 'Workspace 1' and 'Force Atlas'.

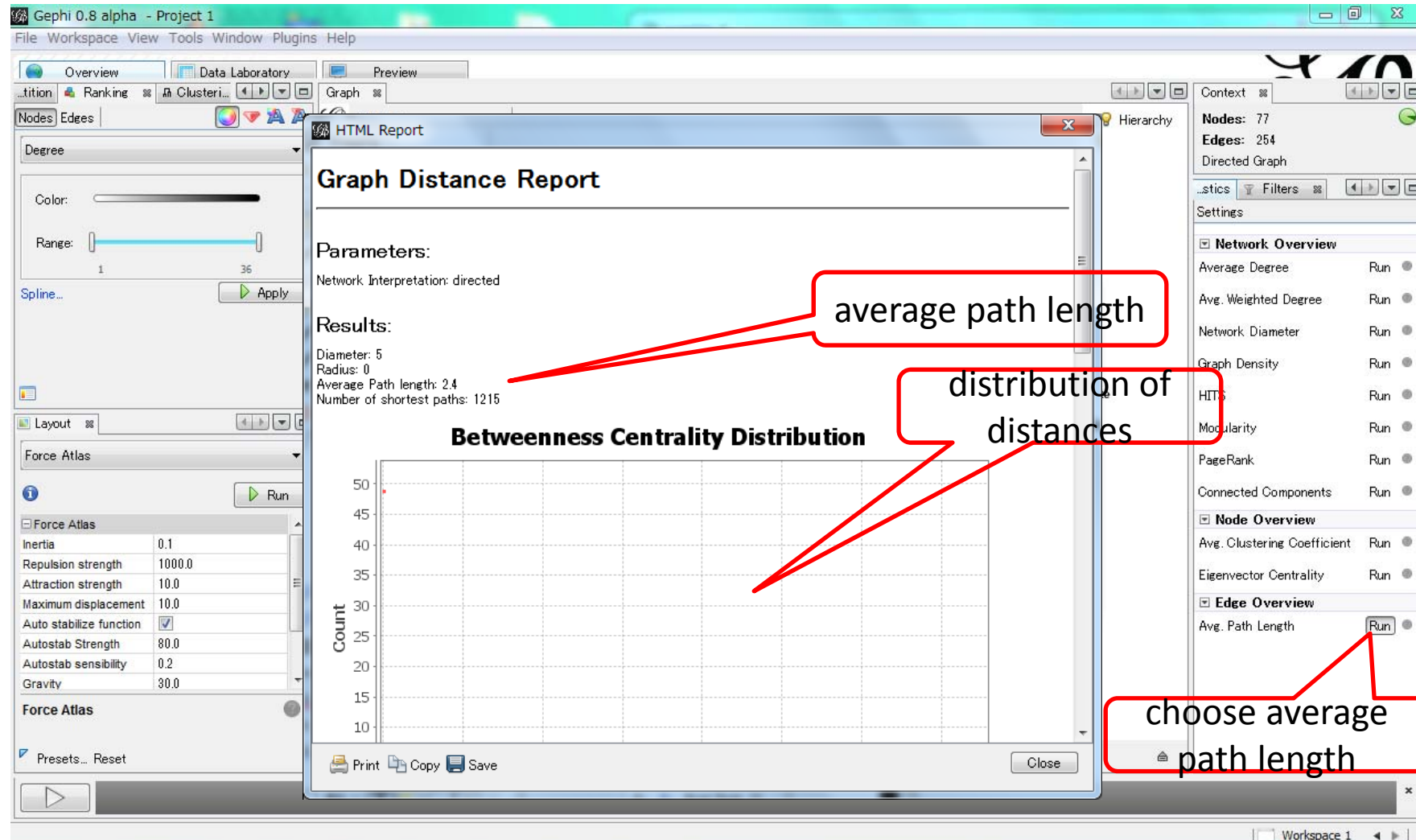
Annotations with red boxes and arrows point to specific features:

- change edge thickness**: Points to the 'Edges' tab in the left sidebar.
- show labels**: Points to the 'Nodes' tab in the left sidebar.
- change label size**: Points to the 'Nodes' tab in the left sidebar.
- misc settings**: Points to the 'Settings' panel on the right sidebar.

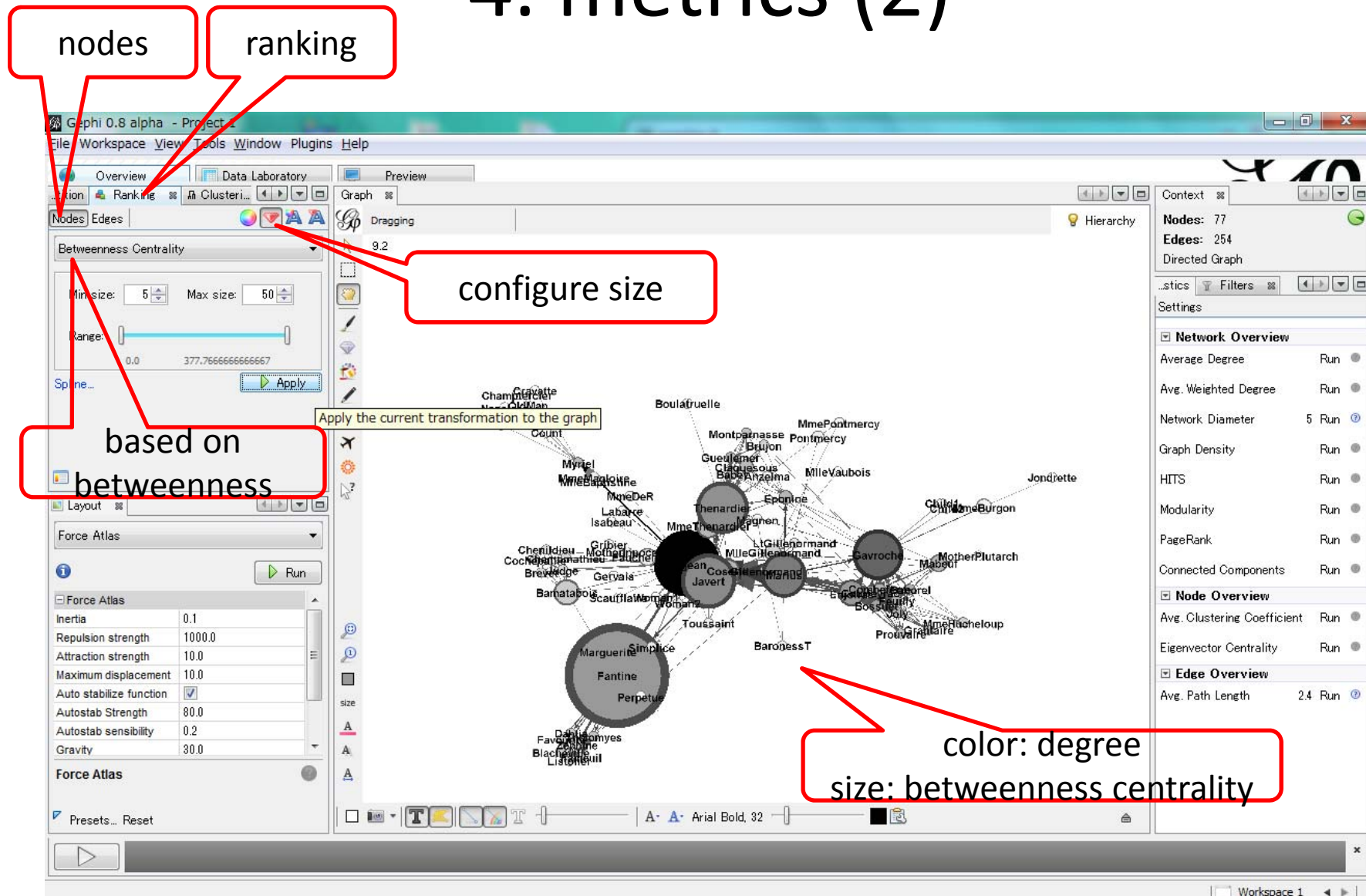
4. metrics

- for networks
 - diameter
 - density
 - average path length
 - clustering coefficient
 - modularity (community detection)
 - ...
- for nodes
 - PageRank
 - HITS
 - betweenness centrality
 - closeness centrality
 - ...

4. metrics (1)

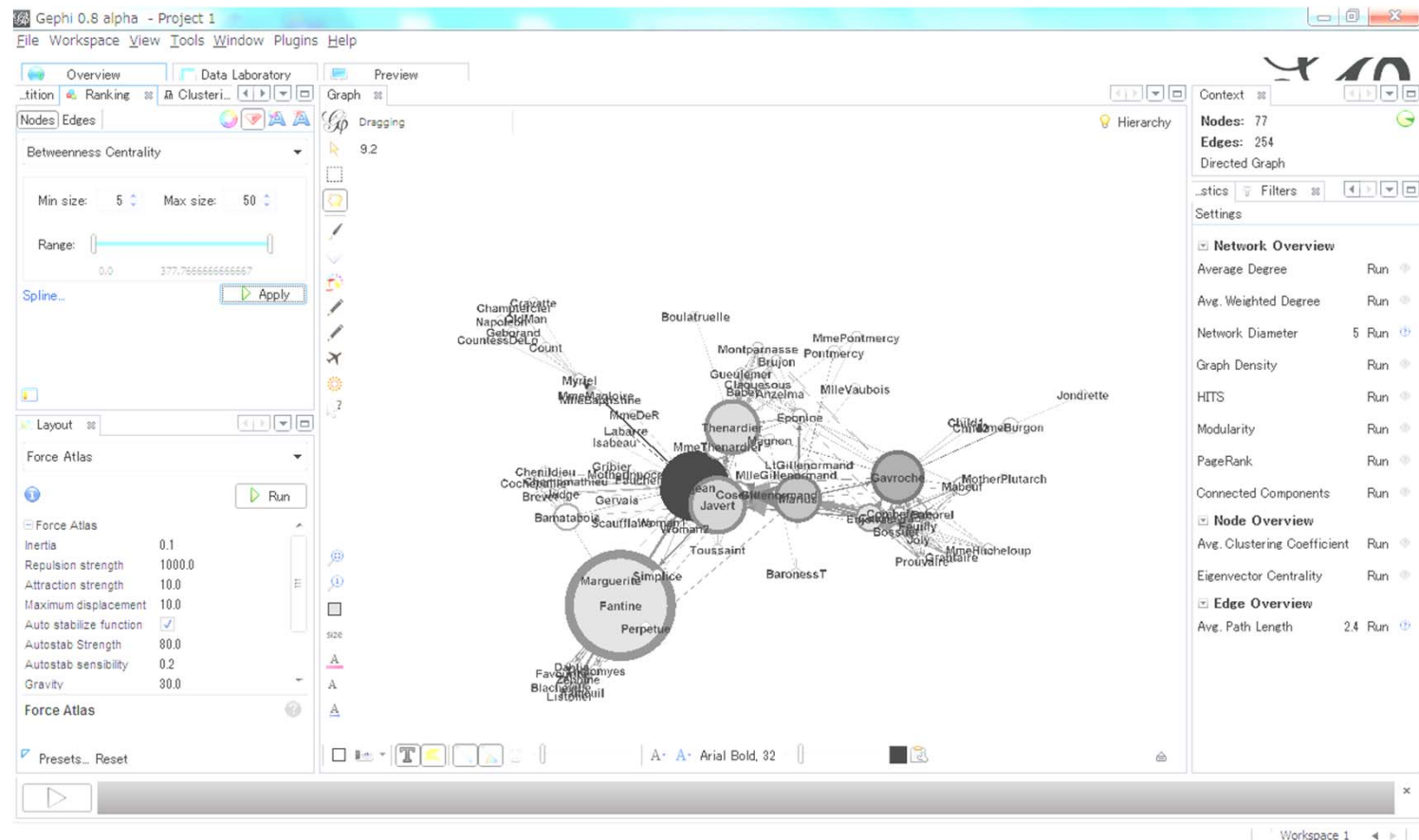


4. metrics (2)



two metrics

- dark (degree): many connections
- large: mediator of two groups



5. community detection (1)

choose modularity

The screenshot displays the Gephi 0.8 alpha software interface. The main window is titled 'Gephi 0.8 alpha - Project 1'. The 'Overview' tab is selected, showing a network graph. The 'Betweenness Centrality' layout is applied, with 'Min size' set to 5 and 'Max size' set to 50. The 'Force Atlas' layout is also visible, with various parameters like 'Inertia' (0.1), 'Repulsion strength' (1000.0), and 'Attraction strength' (10.0) listed. A 'Modularity Report' window is open in the center, displaying the following information:

Modularity Report

Parameters:
Randomize: On

Results:
Modularity: 0.557
Number of Communities: 6

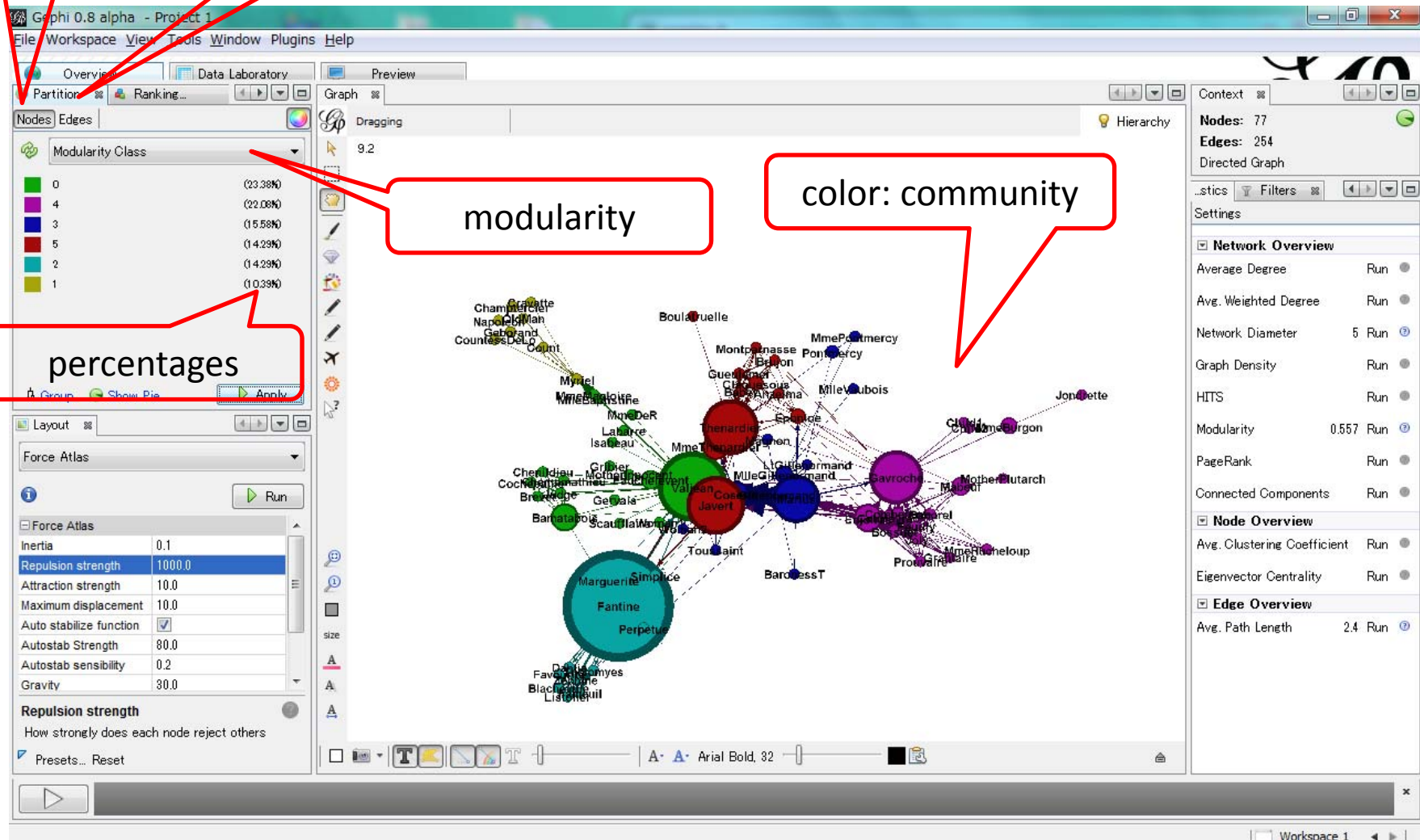
Algorithm:
Vincent D Blondel, Jean-Loup Guillaume, Renaud Lambiotte, Etienne Lefebvre, *Fast unfolding of communities in large networks*, in Journal of Statistical Mechanics: Theory and Experiment 2008 (10), P1000

Red arrows point from the text 'choose modularity' to the 'Modularity' value (0.557) in the report and from the text '# of communities' to the 'Number of Communities' value (6). The right sidebar shows the 'Context' tab with 'Nodes: 77' and 'Edges: 254'. The 'Network Overview' section lists various metrics like 'Average Degree', 'Avg. Weighted Degree', 'Network Diameter', 'Graph Density', 'HITS', 'Modularity' (0.557), 'PageRank', and 'Connected Components'. The 'Node Overview' section lists 'Avg. Clustering Coefficient' and 'Eigenvector Centrality'. The 'Edge Overview' section lists 'Avg. Path Length' (2.4).

5. community detection (2)

nodes

partition

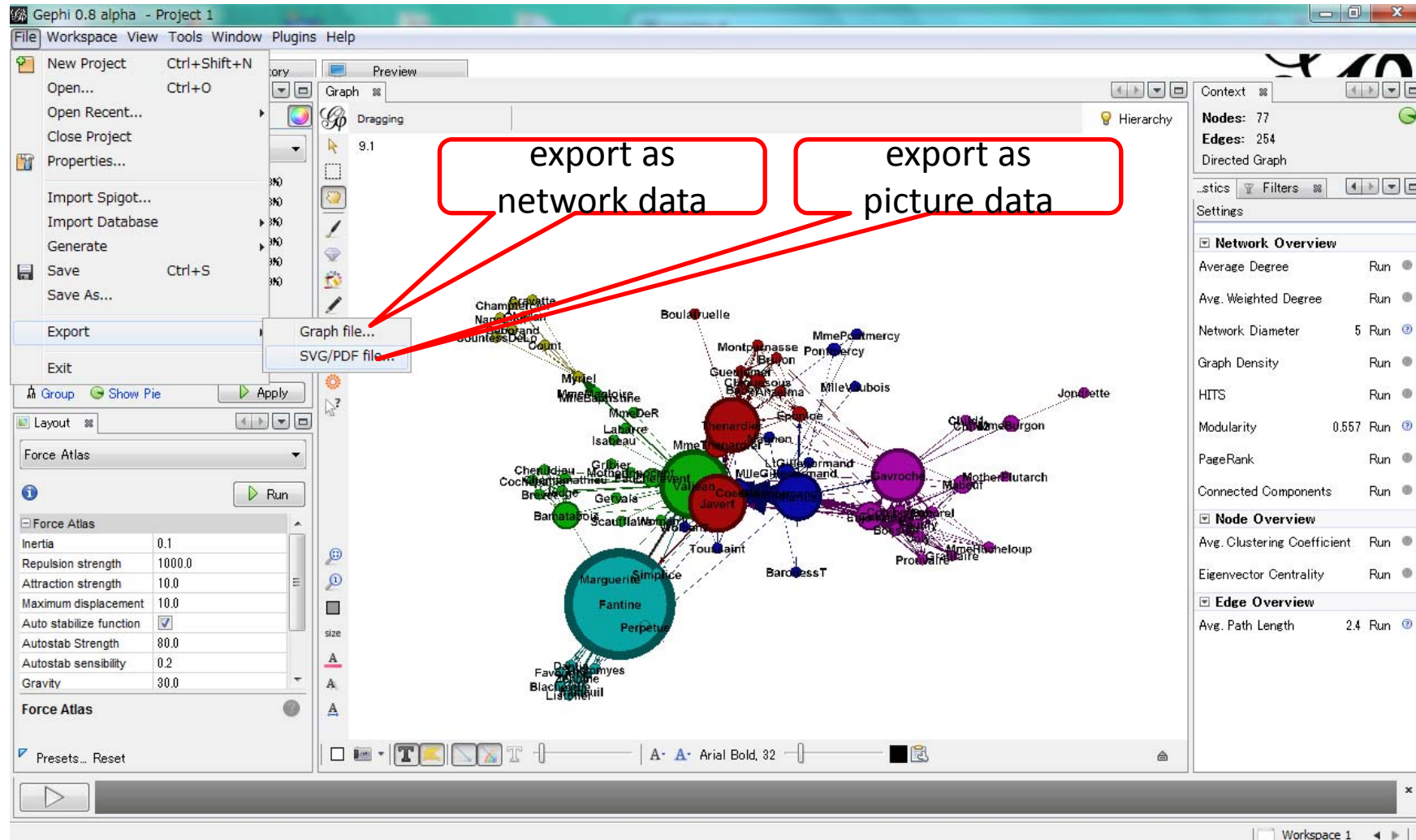


modularity

color: community

percentages

6. export



for more information

- see “Gephi Tutorial Quick Start”
 - <http://gephi.org/users/>