# Network Visualization using Gephi

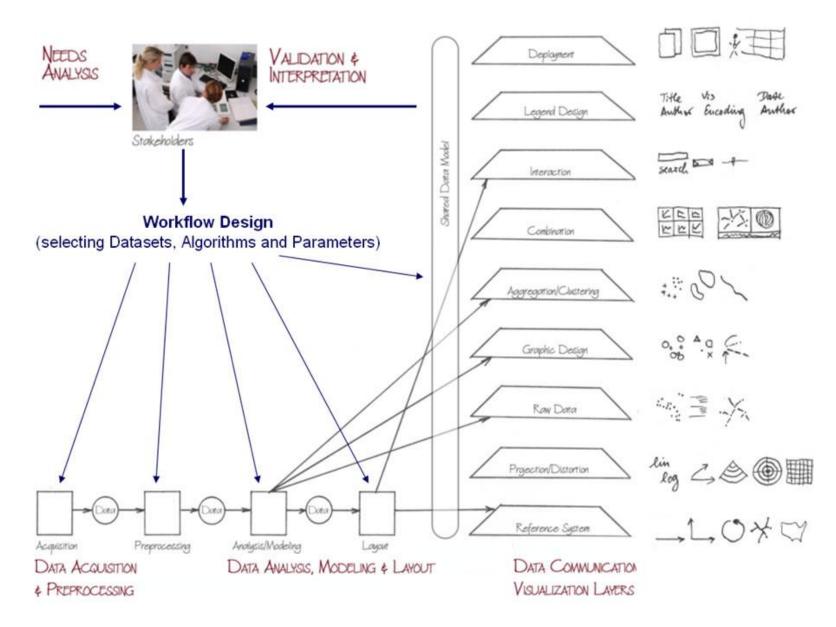


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Please download Gephi at <u>http://gephi.org</u> Please download Sci2 at <u>http://sci2.cns.iu.edu</u> Documentation can be found at <u>http://wiki.gephi.org</u> Also check out <u>https://forum.gephi.org/</u>

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#### **Overview – Workflow Design**





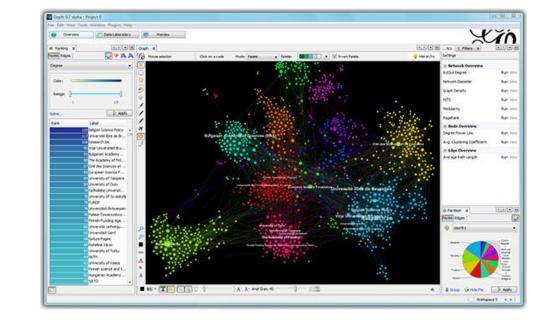
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#### Gephi - Introduction

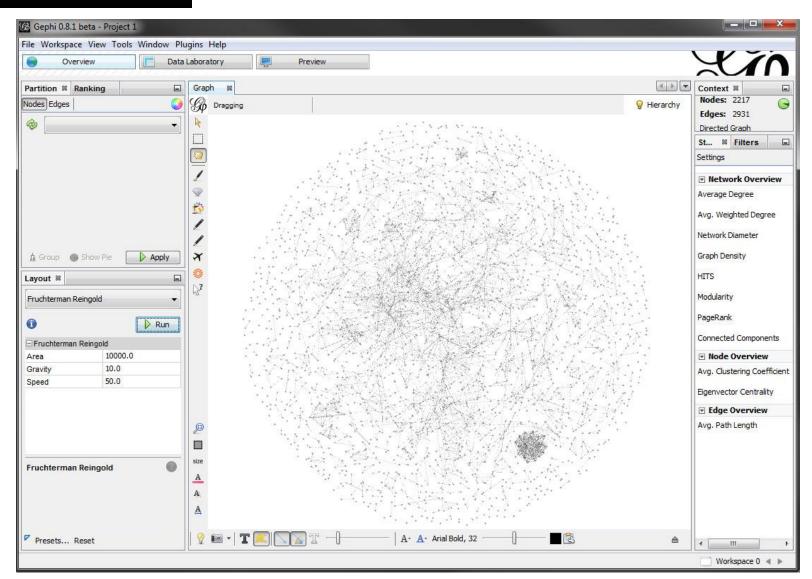
- Gephi is an open source tool designed for the interactive exploration and visualization of networks
- Designed to facilitate the user's exploratory process through real-time analysis and visualization
- Visualization module uses a 3D render engine
- Uses the computer's graphic card, while leaving CPU free for computing
- Highly scalable (can handle over 20,000 nodes)
- Built on multi-task model to take advantage of multi-core processors



Bastian, Mathieu, Sebastien Heymann & Mathieu Jacomy. (2009). *Gephi: an open source software for exploring and manipulating networks*. International AAAI Conference on Weblogs and Social Media. From http://www.aaai.org/ocs/index.php/ICWSM/09/paper/view/154



#### User Interface - Overview



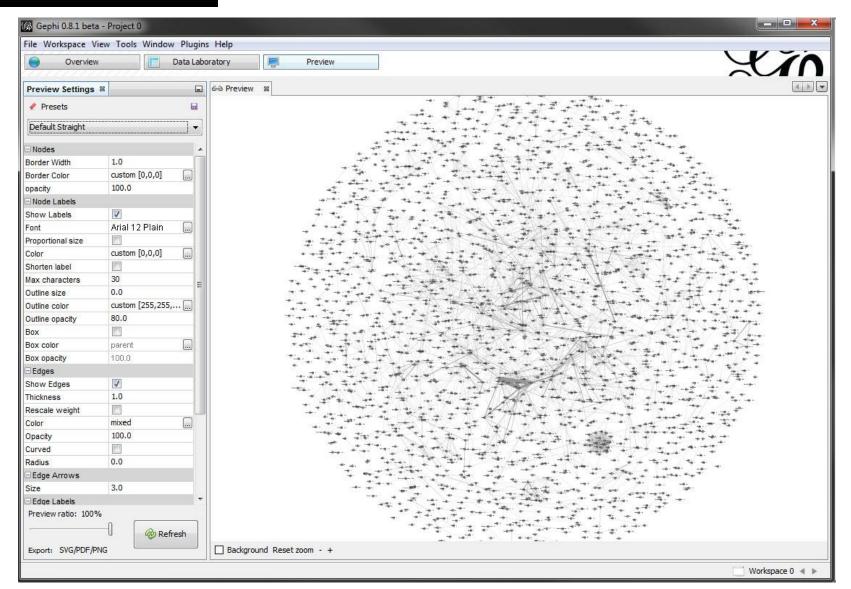


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#### **User Interface – Preview**





#### Loading Data – File Formats Supported by Gephi

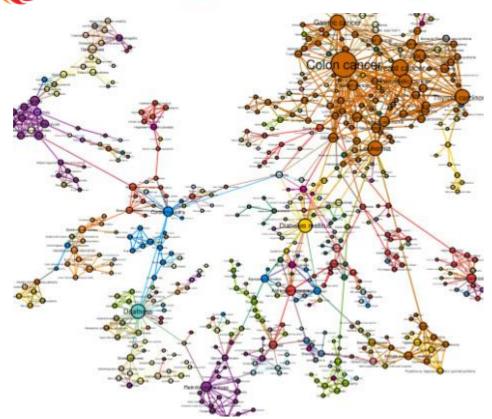
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### Extending Gephi by Adding Plugins

- Gephi offers an extensive plugin library for extending the functionality of the tool
- Seadragon Web Export can be used to export your visualizations for dynamic network exploration on the Web
- Seadragon allows users to zoom-in on particular parts of a network much the way Google Maps allows users to zoom-in and pan across a map.

Seadragon Web Export

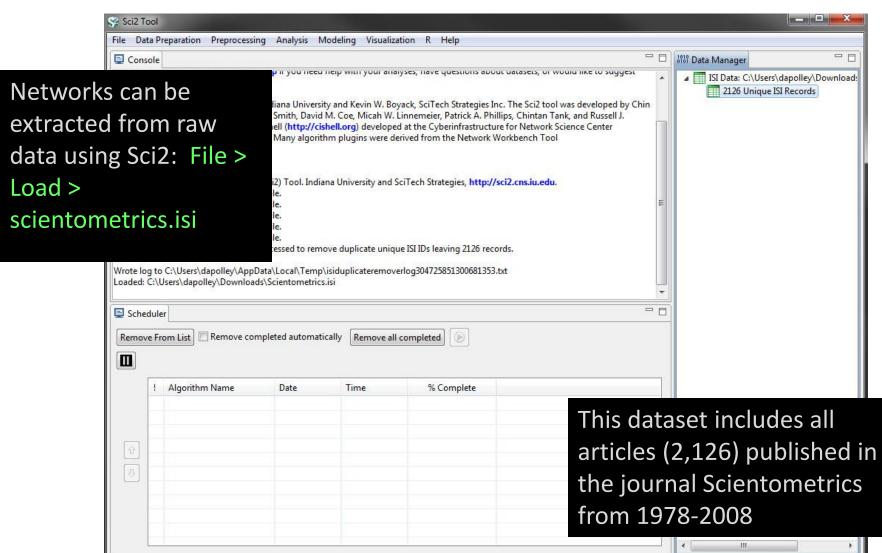




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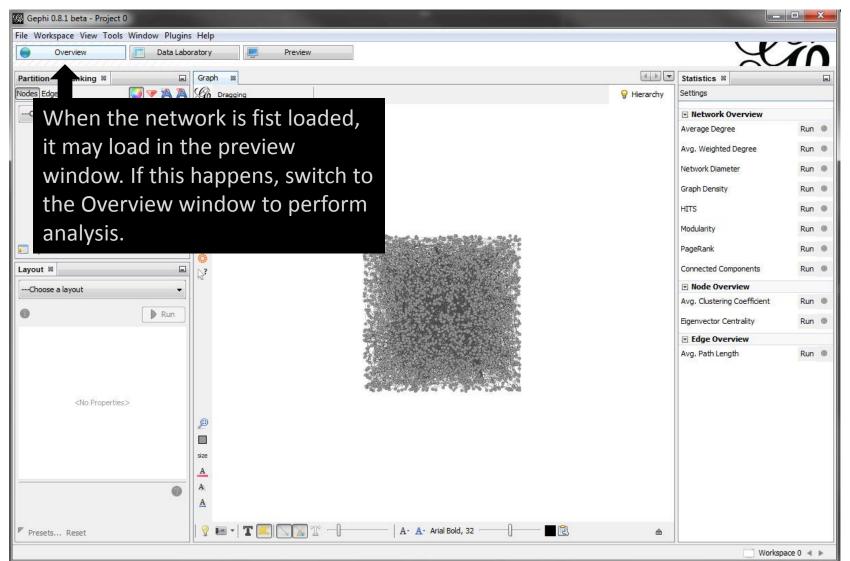
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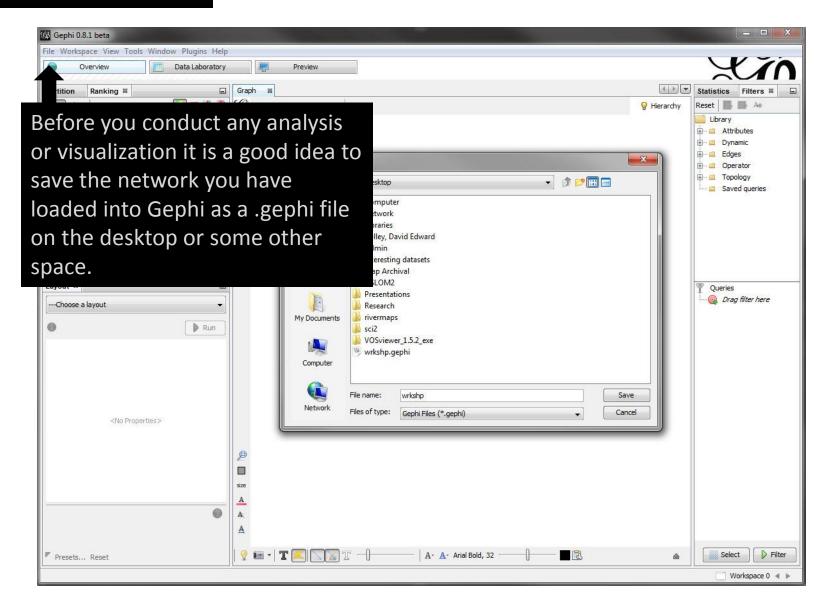


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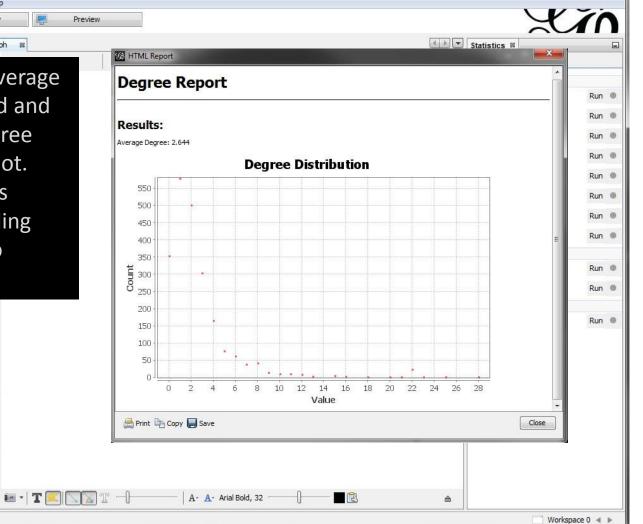
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# Calculating Basic Network Metrics

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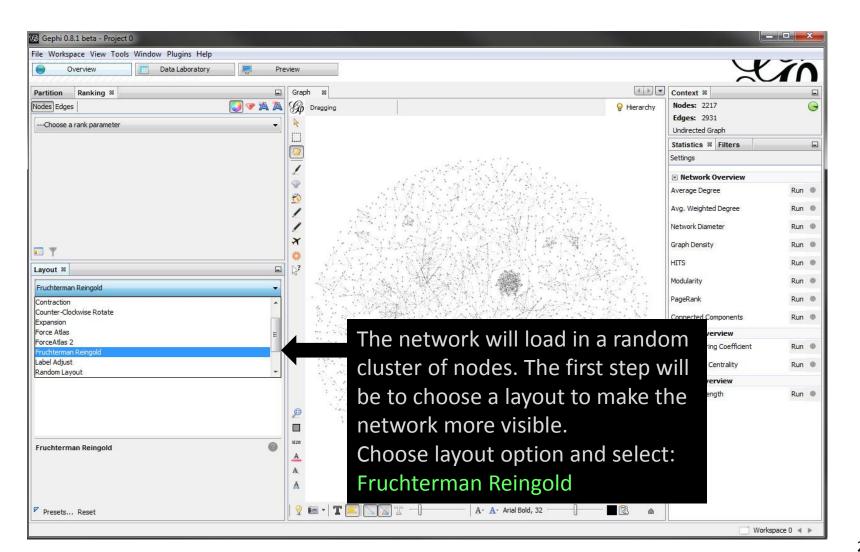
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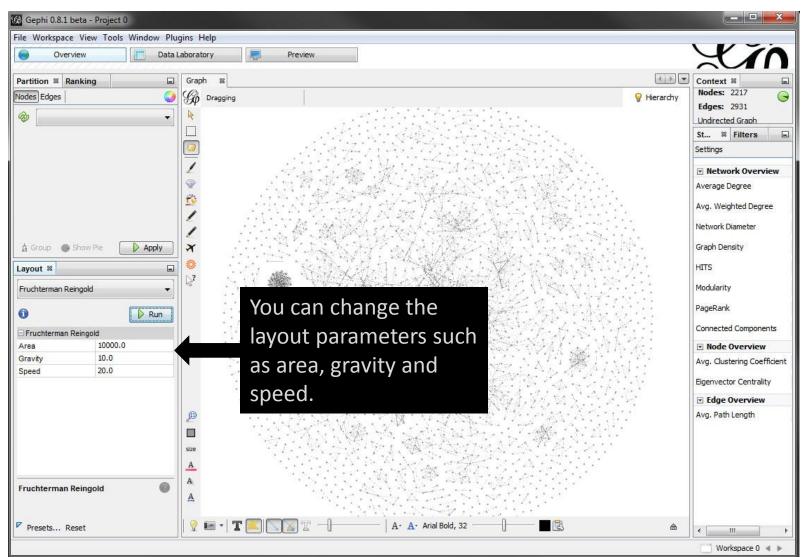


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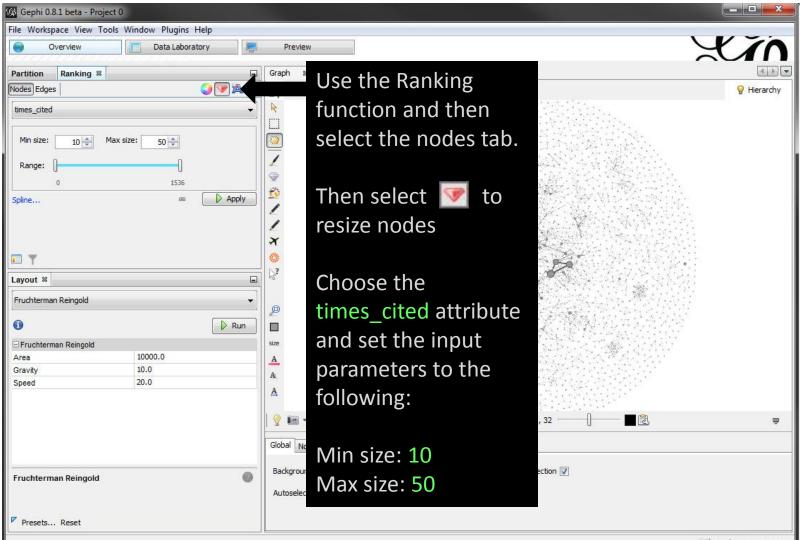


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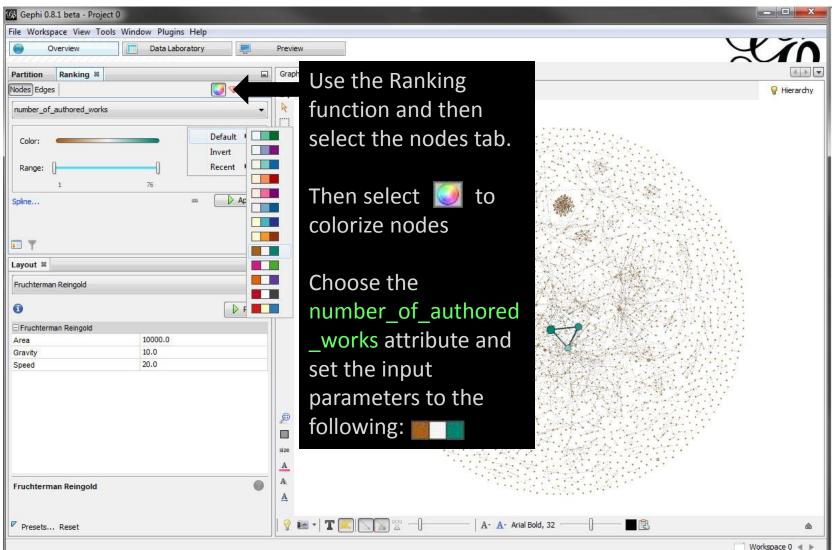
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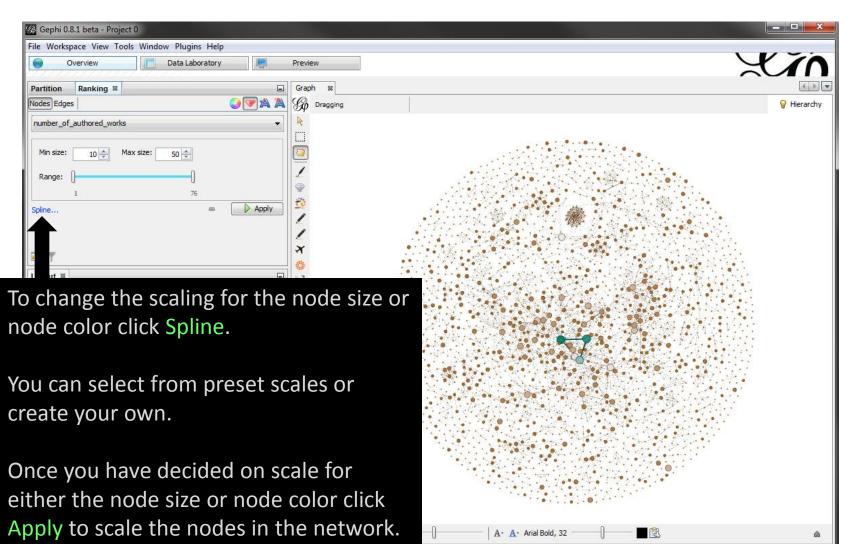
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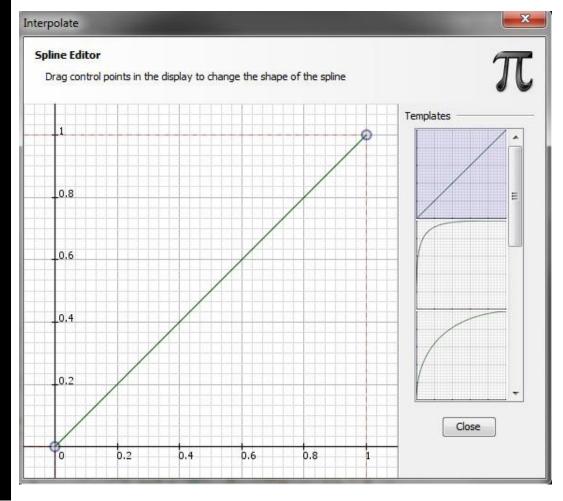
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The default scale is linear. On this graph node size (or color) is plotted on the y-axis and the attribute you have selected to size by is plotted on the x-axis.

The linear scale means that if you had a set of nodes with times\_cited values ranging form 1 to 100 and you wanted to size those nodes from 1 to 50, you assign a times\_cited value of 1 to size 1 and a timces\_cited value of 100 to size 50.

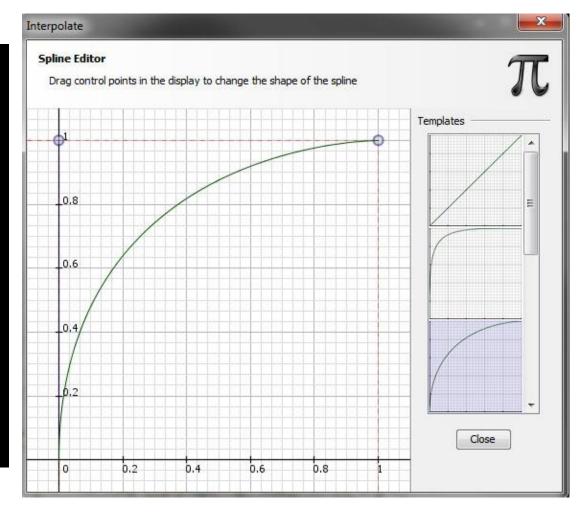
This approach works well if the times\_cited values are normally distributed, but what if they are skewed?





What if your network contains many nodes with a low times\_cited values and only a few with a high times\_cited value. You may want to show the differences between those nodes with a lower times\_cited value more clearly.

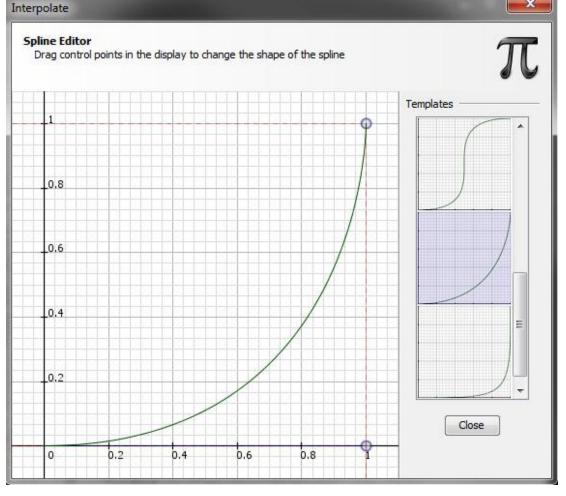
In this case you may want to choose a logarithmic scale. The scale to the right will show differences in nodes with a smaller times\_cited value more clearly, because the size increases more rapidly in relation to the times\_cited value.





Conversely, if you want to convey the differences between the nodes with a higher times\_ctied value more clearly and you are less worried about nodes with smaller times\_cited value, then you may want to choose a layout like the one the right.

This layout changes the size of nodes with a higher timces\_cited value more drastically than nodes with smaller times\_cited.

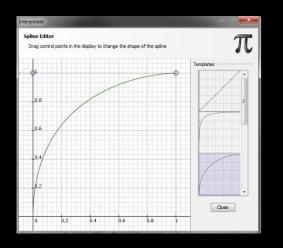


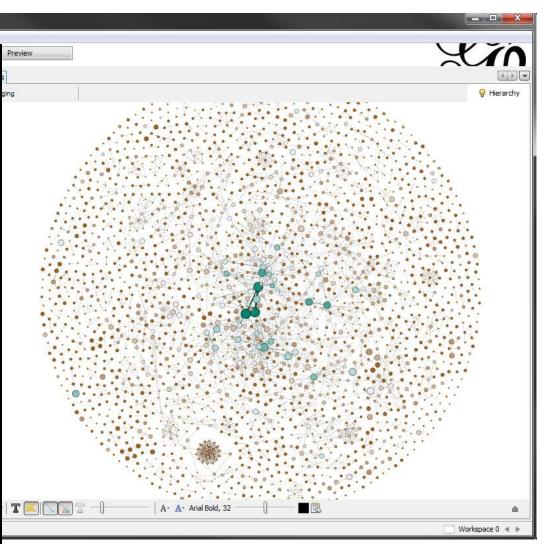


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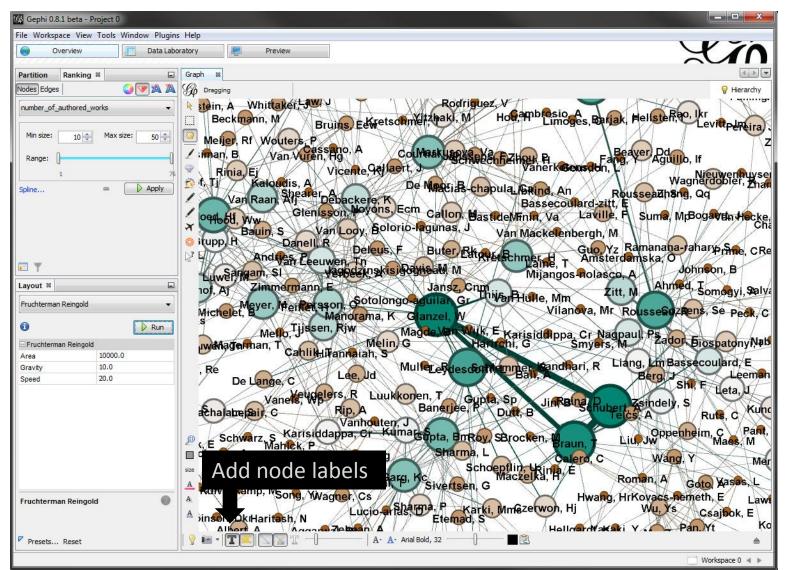
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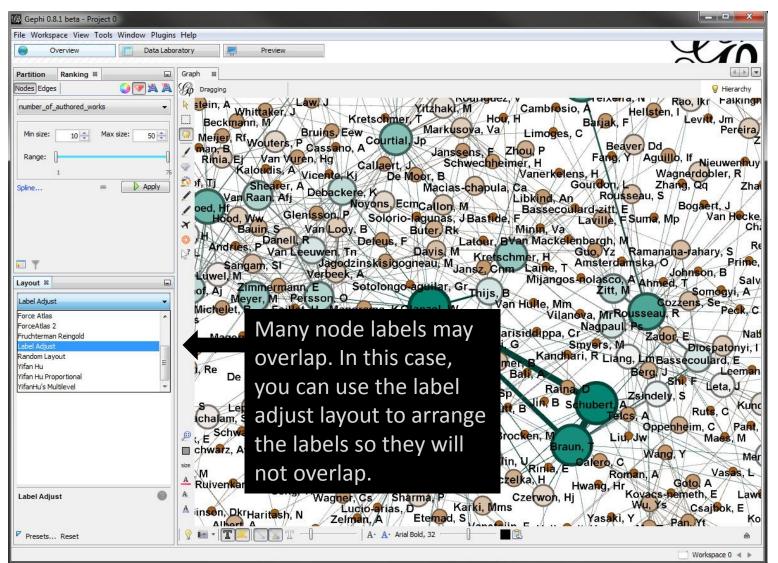


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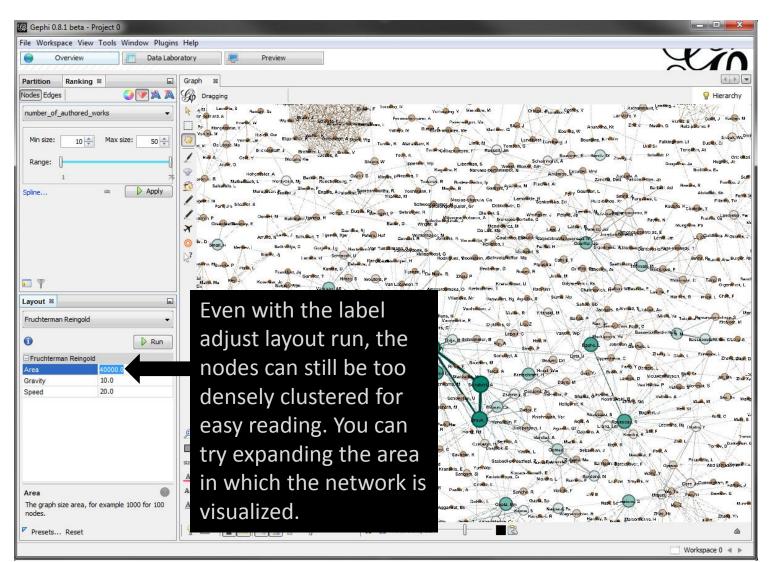


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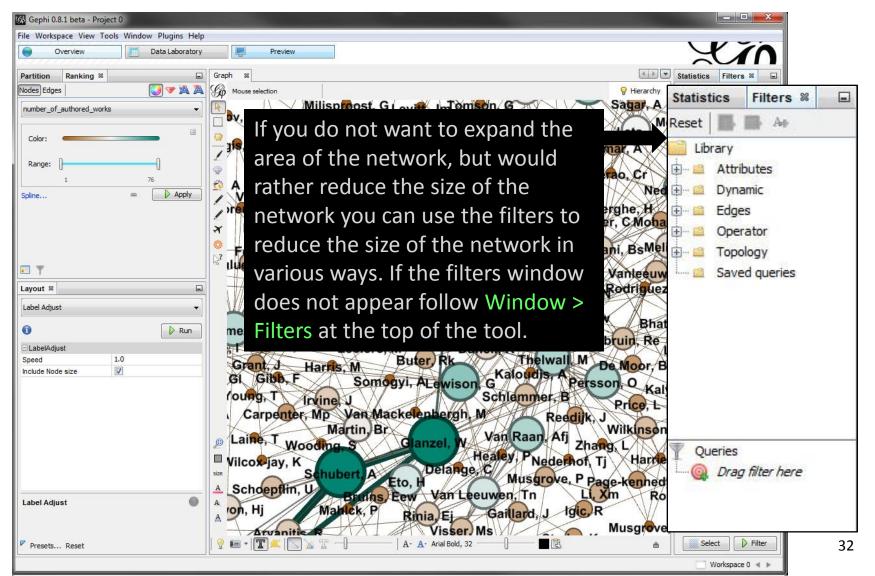


### Enhancing Visualization – Making Network More Visible



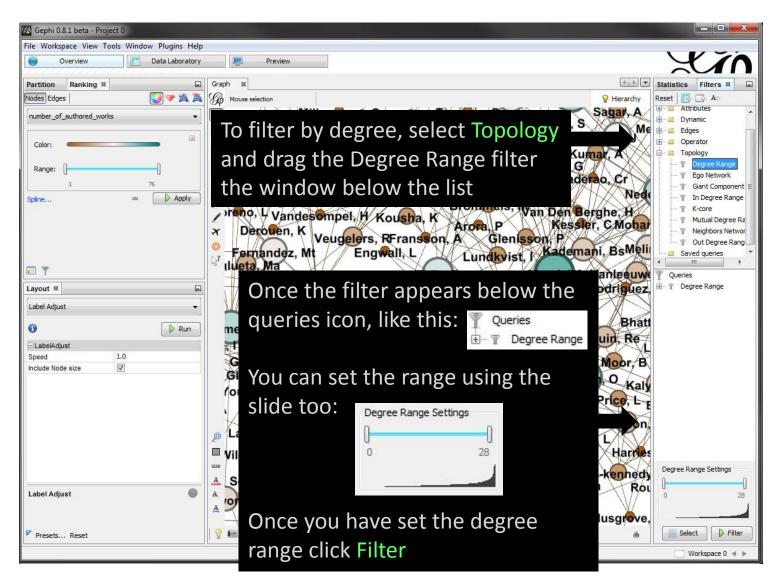


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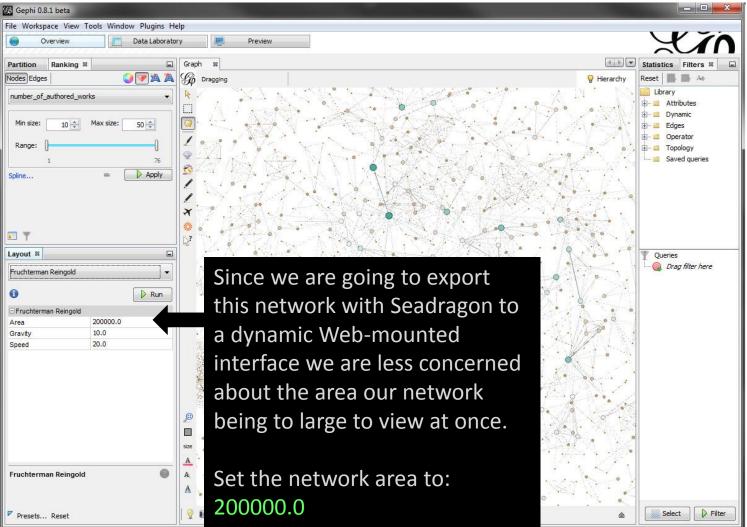


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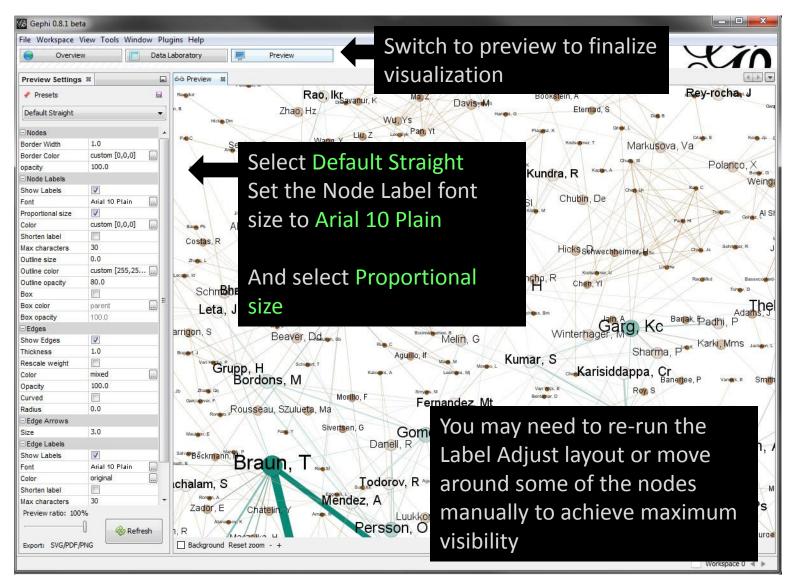
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# Exporting the Final Visualization with Seadragon

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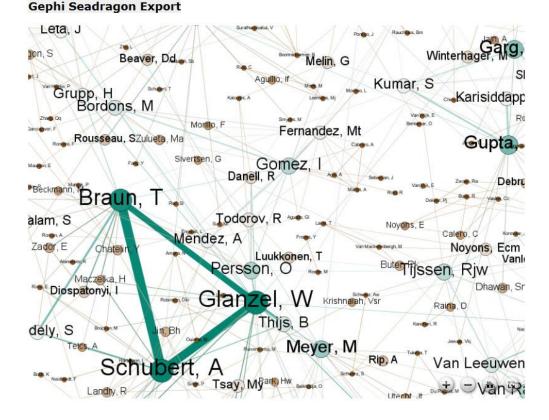
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# Exporting the Final Visualization with Seadragon

Once the export is finished you can view the result in a web browser. Seadragon creates all the files you will need and provides instructions on how to mount the visualization to the Web.

You can include it on your personal web site or blog as part of your own original research!



#### Instructions to put online

- · Copy all files on your server.
- Use this HTML file as an example, copy the script and define a seadragon div in your page.
- · Find help on the Seadragon AJAX website.
- · Note that its not possible to preview Seadragon locally with Chrome browser.



Questions?

 Do you have any questions about the features or capabilities of Gephi?

• Be sure to check out the Gephi forums if you have any further questions <a href="https://forum.gephi.org/">https://forum.gephi.org/</a>

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