

# Bitcoin Network Project

## Comparing the Bitcoin Network activity from a day when the bitcoin price exploded with a day when the bitcoin price evolves normally

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The goal of this study is to analyse the activity on the Blockchain with respect to the transactions involving Bitcoin on a day on which a huge growth of the Bitcoin price was witnessed compared to the activity on a day on which the price evolution is more usual. We will therefore firstly identify the dates which we'll be using from an analysis of the Bitcoin stock price. We then carry out an analysis on these two days to identify the differences in the Networks while paying particular attention to the nodes with highest centrality and to the communities existence.

```
In [312]: #import librairies
import random
import networkx as nx
from statistics import mean
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
from matplotlib.pyplot import figure
import pandas as pd
import pandas_datareader as pdr
import numpy as np
import os
import pyarrow
from datetime import datetime
!pip install cdlib
import networkx.algorithms.community as nxcom
from cdlib import algorithms, viz, NodeClustering, evaluation
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## Selection of dates

```
In [314]: #Function to import BTC stock price from yahoo finance
def import_data(variables, name, start, end):
    # fetch a list of series
    indexlist = variables
    indexnames = name
    # define a start and end date
    starti = start
    endi = end
    dates = pd.date_range(starti, endi, freq='D')
    dfindex = pd.DataFrame(index=dates)
    for symboli in indexlist:
        stocki = pdr.get_data_yahoo(symboli, start=starti, end=endi)
        stocki = pd.DataFrame(stocki['Adj Close']) # take the close price
        stocki.columns = [symboli]
        dfindex = dfindex.join(stocki)
    dfindex.columns = name
    return dfindex
```

```
In [316]: #Importation of BTC stock price from yahoo finance from 28/04/2013
#And calculation of daily returns
btc=import_data(['BTC-USD'], ['BTC'], datetime(2013, 4, 28), datetime(2021, 1, 25))
btc['Return']=btc['BTC']-btc['BTC'].shift(1)
btc = btc.dropna(how='any')
btc=btc.astype(float)
btc
```

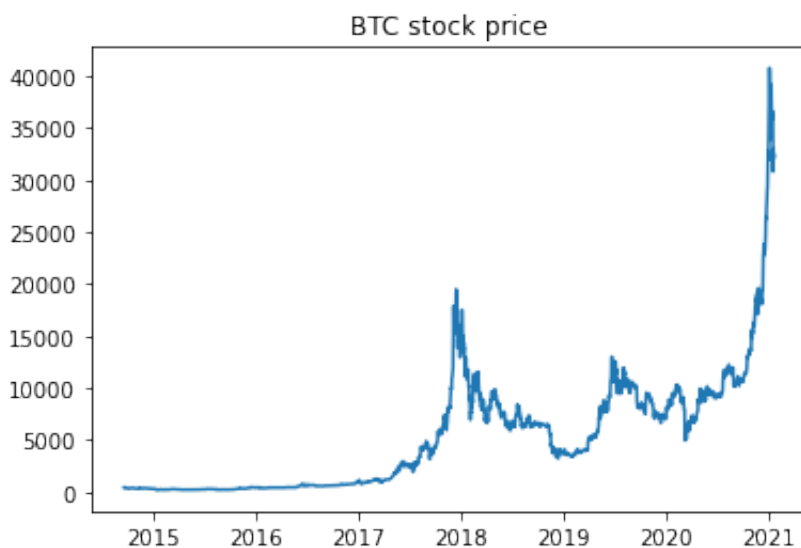
Out[316]:

	BTC	Return
2014-09-17	424.440002	-32.894012
2014-09-18	394.795990	-29.644012
2014-09-19	408.903992	14.108002
2014-09-20	398.821014	-10.082977
2014-09-21	402.152008	3.330994
...	...	...
2021-01-21	30825.699219	-4722.050781
2021-01-22	33005.761719	2180.062500
2021-01-23	32067.642578	-938.119141
2021-01-24	32289.378906	221.736328
2021-01-25	32366.392578	77.013672

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```
In [317]: plt.title('BTC stock price')
plt.plot(btc.index, btc.BTC)
```

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Out[317]: [<matplotlib.lines.Line2D at 0x39b180ec2e0>]
```



```
In [318]: #Sorting wrt daily return
btc.sort_values('Return', ascending=False)
```

```
Out[318]:
```

	BTC	Return
2017-12-07	17899.699219	3608.199219
2021-01-13	37316.359375	3393.398438
2021-01-06	36824.363281	2831.933594
2021-01-02	32127.267578	2753.115234
2021-01-07	39371.042969	2546.679688
...	...	...
2018-01-16	11490.500000	-2329.299805
2021-01-15	36825.367188	-2361.960938
2021-01-11	35566.656250	-2789.785156
2020-03-12	4970.788086	-2940.642090
2021-01-21	30825.699219	-4722.050781

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```
In [52]: max(btc['Return'])
```

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Out[52]: 3608.19921875
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```
In [53]: btc['Return'].idxmax()
```

```
Out[53]: Timestamp('2017-12-07 00:00:00')
```

The highest BTC stock price increase during the considered time period was observed from the 6th December 2020 to the 7th December 2020. We will therefore be studying the transactions occurring the the 6th which led to such an important increase.

```
In [56]: #We now identify a date close to the above selection(from 01/11/201
#on which the BTC price evolution is the closest to the mean daily
start_date = "2017-11-1"

end_date = "2017-12-31"

after_start_date = btc.index >= start_date

before_end_date = btc.index <= end_date

between_two_dates = after_start_date & before_end_date
btc1= btc.loc[between_two_dates]
btc1["selection"]=btc1["Return"]-mean(btc["Return"])
print(btc1.to_string())
```

	BTC	Return	selection
2017-11-01	6767.310059	298.910156	285.140789
2017-11-02	7078.500000	311.189941	297.420574
2017-11-03	7207.759766	129.259766	115.490399
2017-11-04	7379.950195	172.190430	158.421063
2017-11-05	7407.410156	27.459961	13.690594
2017-11-06	7022.759766	-384.650391	-398.419758
2017-11-07	7144.379883	121.620117	107.850750
2017-11-08	7459.689941	315.310059	301.540692
2017-11-09	7143.580078	-316.109863	-329.879230
2017-11-10	6618.140137	-525.439941	-539.209308
2017-11-11	6357.600098	-260.540039	-274.309406
2017-11-12	5950.069824	-407.530273	-421.299640
2017-11-13	6559.490234	609.420410	595.651043
2017-11-14	6635.750000	76.259766	62.490399
2017-11-15	7315.540039	679.790039	666.020672
2017-11-16	7871.689941	556.149902	542.380535
2017-11-17	7708.990234	-162.699707	-176.469074
2017-11-18	7790.149902	81.159668	67.390301
2017-11-19	8036.490234	246.340332	232.570965
2017-11-20	8200.639648	164.149414	150.380047
2017-11-21	8071.259766	-129.379883	-143.149250
2017-11-22	8253.549805	182.290039	168.520672
2017-11-23	8038.770020	-214.779785	-228.549152
2017-11-24	8253.690430	214.920410	201.151043
2017-11-25	8790.919922	537.229492	523.460125
2017-11-26	9330.549805	539.629883	525.860516
2017-11-27	9818.349609	487.799805	474.030438
2017-11-28	10058.799805	240.450195	226.680828
2017-11-29	9888.610352	-170.189453	-183.958820
2017-11-30	10233.599609	344.989258	331.219891
2017-12-01	10975.599609	742.000000	728.230633
2017-12-02	11074.599609	99.000000	85.230633
2017-12-03	11323.200195	248.600586	234.831219
2017-12-04	11657.200195	334.000000	320.230633

2017-12-05	11916.700195	259.500000	245.730633
2017-12-06	14291.500000	2374.799805	2361.030438
2017-12-07	17899.699219	3608.199219	3594.429852
2017-12-08	16569.400391	-1330.298828	-1344.068195
2017-12-09	15178.200195	-1391.200195	-1404.969562
2017-12-10	15455.400391	277.200195	263.430828
2017-12-11	16936.800781	1481.400391	1467.631024
2017-12-12	17415.400391	478.599609	464.830242
2017-12-13	16408.199219	-1007.201172	-1020.970539
2017-12-14	16564.000000	155.800781	142.031414
2017-12-15	17706.900391	1142.900391	1129.131024
2017-12-16	19497.400391	1790.500000	1776.730633
2017-12-17	19140.800781	-356.599609	-370.368976
2017-12-18	19114.199219	-26.601562	-40.370929
2017-12-19	17776.699219	-1337.500000	-1351.269367
2017-12-20	16624.599609	-1152.099609	-1165.868976
2017-12-21	15802.900391	-821.699219	-835.468586
2017-12-22	13831.799805	-1971.100586	-1984.869953
2017-12-23	14699.200195	867.400391	853.631024
2017-12-24	13925.799805	-773.400391	-787.169758
2017-12-25	14026.599609	100.799805	87.030438
2017-12-26	16099.799805	2073.200195	2059.430828
2017-12-27	15838.500000	-261.299805	-275.069172
2017-12-28	14606.500000	-1232.000000	-1245.769367
2017-12-29	14656.200195	49.700195	35.930828
2017-12-30	12952.200195	-1704.000000	-1717.769367
2017-12-31	14156.400391	1204.200195	1190.430828

<ipython-input-56-9f45d4c634a7>:12: SettingWithCopyWarning:  
A value is trying to be set on a copy of a slice from a DataFrame.  
Try using `.loc[row_indexer,col_indexer] = value` instead

See the caveats in the documentation: [https://pandas.pydata.org/pandas-docs/stable/user\\_guide/indexing.html#returning-a-view-versus-a-copy](https://pandas.pydata.org/pandas-docs/stable/user_guide/indexing.html#returning-a-view-versus-a-copy) ([https://pandas.pydata.org/pandas-docs/stable/user\\_guide/indexing.html#returning-a-view-versus-a-copy](https://pandas.pydata.org/pandas-docs/stable/user_guide/indexing.html#returning-a-view-versus-a-copy))  
`btc1["selection"]=btc1["Return"]-mean(btc["Return"])`

In [40]: `mean(btc.Return)`

Out[40]: 19.990898994606454

In [59]: `abs(btc1['selection']).idxmin()`

Out[59]: Timestamp('2017-11-05 00:00:00')

The BTC price increase which is closest to the average daily growth of 19.99 USD is observed from the 4th of November 2017 to the 5th November. We will therefore be studying the transactions occurring on the 4th of November.

## Bitcoin Network Analysis

```
In [328]: #Import data
df1=pd.read_parquet('C:/Users/niksb/Desktop/Bitcoin Network project
df2=pd.read_parquet('C:/Users/niksb/Desktop/Bitcoin Network project
```

```
In [329]: df1['time'] = pd.to_datetime(df1['time'], unit='s')
df2['time'] = pd.to_datetime(df2['time'], unit='s')
```

## Type of senders and destinators

```
In [330]: #Filter out the self_spending users
def filter_out_self_spending(df):
    return df[df["src_identity"]!=df["dst_identity"]]
df1=filter_out_self_spending(df1)
df2=filter_out_self_spending(df2)
```

```
In [331]: #Identifying the different type of users between : Ukwn_btc_add,"Ukwn_wallet"
conditions = [(df1["src_identity"].str.len()>33),(df1["src_identity"]
values = ["Ukwn_btc_add", "Ukwn_wallet"]
df1['sender_status'] = np.select(conditions, values)
df1['sender_status']=df1['sender_status'].replace("0","kwn_wallet")

conditions = [(df2["src_identity"].str.len()>33),(df2["src_identity"]
df2['sender_status'] = np.select(conditions, values)
df2['sender_status']=df2['sender_status'].replace("0","kwn_wallet")

conditions = [
    (df1["dst_identity"].str.len()>33),
    (df1["dst_identity"].astype(str).str.isnumeric())]
values = ["Ukwn_btc_add", "Ukwn_wallet"]
df1['dest_status'] = np.select(conditions, values)
df1['dest_status']=df1['dest_status'].replace("0","kwn_wallet")

conditions = [
    (df2["dst_identity"].str.len()>33),
    (df2["dst_identity"].astype(str).str.isnumeric())]
values = ["Ukwn_btc_add", "Ukwn_wallet"]
df2['dest_status'] = np.select(conditions, values)
df2['dest_status']=df2['dest_status'].replace("0","kwn_wallet")
```

Firstly, since we are interested in the transactions between different users, we filter out the self-spending users. Secondly, we identify the different types of senders and destinators amongst:

- (i)A bitcoin address(if the user is unknown)-Ukwn\_btc\_add
- (ii)An unknown wallet represented as an integer-Ukwn\_wallet
- (iii)A wallet corresponding to a known actor from walletexplorer.com-kwn\_wallet



In [332]: df1

Out[332]:

	value	time	src_identity		
0	176039	2017-11-04 12:33:16	17kzqdHjt3zKvZVDwxsh6WFPdg9vuu1MLh		
24	705855944	2017-11-04 15:57:56		68272571	
39	2328424	2017-11-04 11:44:41	1G6kncksk2CsTynQbWJX8QExfHL7LwYbLVy		
40	5185249	2017-11-04 01:47:15	1AA5gAknu9ePx3DCgtMQzCpjCz6Vb5Hbek		
41	2817172	2017-11-04 09:43:16	19YP1uNDphq3ymCwAG3G3jVzYxixEiDPJG		
...	...	...		...	
738769	0	2017-11-04 16:40:41		252	nonstandardcfcb1eae:
738770	0	2017-11-04 21:24:55		8452317	nonstandarde115ad0c
738771	0	2017-11-04 21:24:55		8452317	nonstandarde77e0a986
738772	0	2017-11-04 21:24:55		8452317	nonstandarde99d366C
738773	0	2017-11-04 06:14:07	1NmiU6rTBhTojDjoMhUKshG2Dp4LF94e31		nonstandardf0f569d5i

662789 rows × 7 columns

In [333]: df2

Out[333]:

	value	time	src_identity
0	253473	2017-12-06 03:42:49	1DWSL1jynT3TzXHTcaJaAmbp8YzQQpzvg9
1	10871222	2017-12-06 16:49:19	16241514
2	985000	2017-12-06 12:49:45	17YZiyEqZqFDjE2JfCUWYykiNHrbPFekC
3	52351723	2017-12-06 22:13:42	Poloniex.com
8	12285504	2017-12-06 06:38:52	41538099
...	...	...	...
1188925	0	2017-12-06 07:41:44	1DLBb5aPvmnrUGTF52yWQHDvqYu3sTnWJ nonstandardefa3c367
1188926	0	2017-12-06 12:39:49	8452317 nonstandardf74fad4:
1188927	0	2017-12-06 12:39:49	8452317 nonstandardf7609f31
1188928	0	2017-12-06 08:45:52	8452317 nonstandardfdb34f1
1188929	0	2017-12-06 12:39:49	8452317 nonstandardfee22bk

1074306 rows x 7 columns

```
In [334]: print("4 Nov destinator destription:\n" +str(df1["dest_status"].val
print()
print("6 Dec destinator destription:\n" +str(df2["dest_status"].val
```

```
4 Nov destinator destription:
Ukwn_wallet      422509
Ukwn_btc_add     181087
kwn_wallet       59193
Name: dest_status, dtype: int64
```

```
6 Dec destinator destription:
Ukwn_wallet      649639
Ukwn_btc_add     310027
kwn_wallet       114640
Name: dest_status, dtype: int64
```

```
In [335]: print("4 Nov sender destription:\n" +str(df1["sender_status"].value)
print()
print("6 Dec sender destription:\n" +str(df2["sender_status"].value)
```

```
4 Nov sender destription:
Ukwn_btc_add      367308
Ukwn_wallet      247433
kwn_wallet        48048
Name: sender_status, dtype: int64
```

```
6 Dec sender destription:
Ukwn_btc_add      610715
Ukwn_wallet      362625
kwn_wallet        100966
Name: sender_status, dtype: int64
```

We can observe that there are more actors from all 3 fields on the 6th of December but this seems to be solely due to the increased amount of transactions. The proportion of different type of actors remain very similar.

## Distribution of BTC amounts involved in transactions

```
In [336]: #Calculating bitcoin value of transactions
bitcoinquantity1 = df1['value']*0.00000001
df1['bitcoinquantity'] = bitcoinquantity1

bitcoinquantity2 = df2['value']*0.00000001
df2['bitcoinquantity'] = bitcoinquantity2
```

In [337]: df1

Out[337]:

	value	time	src_identity		
0	176039	2017-11-04 12:33:16	17kzqdHjt3zKvZVDwxsh6WFPdg9vuu1MLh		
24	705855944	2017-11-04 15:57:56		68272571	
39	2328424	2017-11-04 11:44:41	1G6kncksk2CsTynQbWJX8QExfHL7LwYbLVy		
40	5185249	2017-11-04 01:47:15	1AA5gAknu9ePx3DCgtMQzCpjCz6Vb5Hbek		
41	2817172	2017-11-04 09:43:16	19YP1uNDphq3ymCwAG3G3jVzYxixEiDPJG		
...	...	...		...	
738769	0	2017-11-04 16:40:41		252	nonstandardcfcb1eae:
738770	0	2017-11-04 21:24:55		8452317	nonstandarde115ad0c
738771	0	2017-11-04 21:24:55		8452317	nonstandarde77e0a986
738772	0	2017-11-04 21:24:55		8452317	nonstandarde99d366C
738773	0	2017-11-04 06:14:07	1NmiU6rTBhTojDjoMhUKshG2Dp4LF94e31		nonstandardf0f569d5i

662789 rows × 8 columns

In [338]: df2

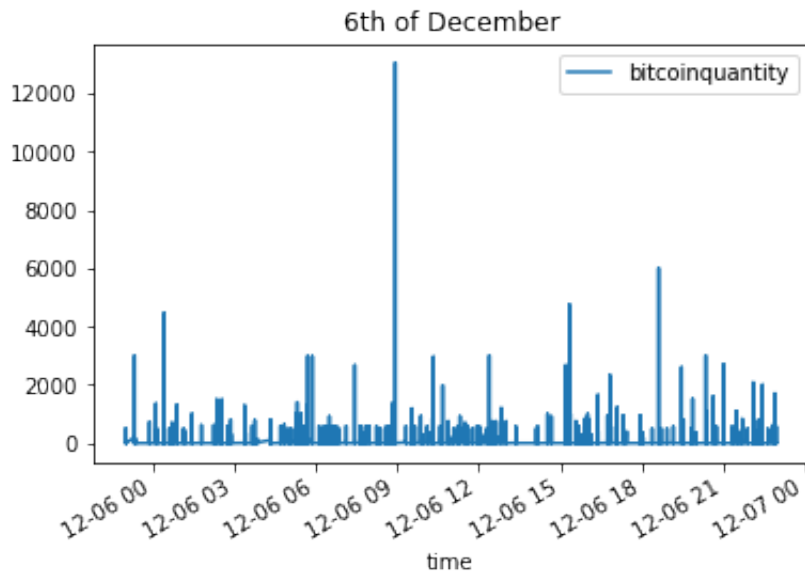
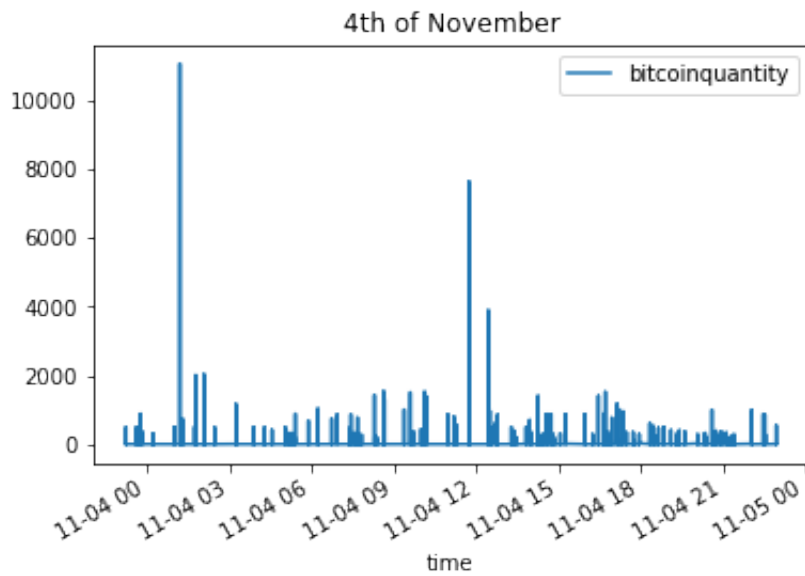
Out[338]:

	value	time	src_identity
0	253473	2017-12-06 03:42:49	1DWSL1jynT3TzXHTcaJaAmbp8YzQQpzvg9
1	10871222	2017-12-06 16:49:19	16241514
2	985000	2017-12-06 12:49:45	17YZiyEqZqFDjE2JfCUWYykiNHrbPFekC
3	52351723	2017-12-06 22:13:42	Poloniex.com
8	12285504	2017-12-06 06:38:52	41538099
...	...	...	...
1188925	0	2017-12-06 07:41:44	1DLBb5aPvmnrUGTF52yWQHDvqYu3sTnWJ nonstandardefa3c367
1188926	0	2017-12-06 12:39:49	8452317 nonstandardf74fad4;
1188927	0	2017-12-06 12:39:49	8452317 nonstandardf7609f31
1188928	0	2017-12-06 08:45:52	8452317 nonstandardfdb34f1
1188929	0	2017-12-06 12:39:49	8452317 nonstandardfee22bk

1074306 rows × 8 columns

```
In [343]: df1.plot(x="time", y = "bitcoinquantity",title='4th of November')
df2.plot(x="time", y = "bitcoinquantity",title='6th of December')
```

```
Out[343]: <matplotlib.axes._subplots.AxesSubplot at 0x39b160eb280>
```



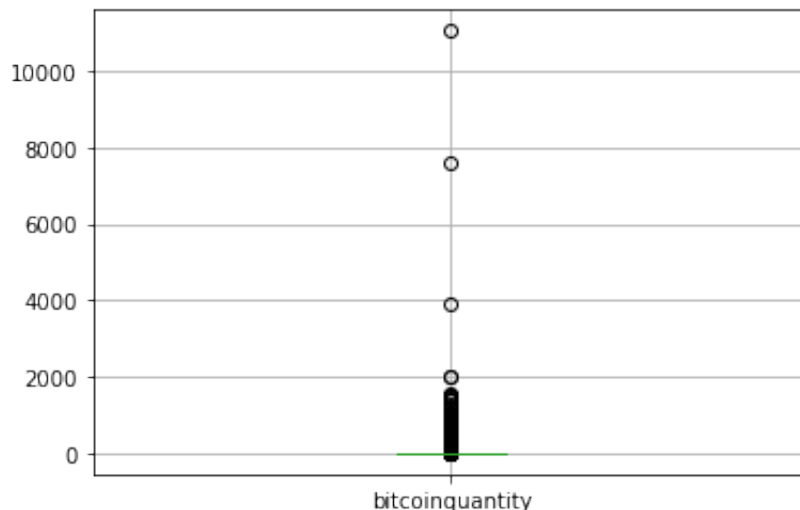
We can observe that on the 4th of November there are peaks in the amount of Bitcoins transferred at times close to midnight and noon while on the 6th of December, the 2 main peaks occur at 9 am and 6 pm.

```
In [344]: df1["bitcoinquantity"].describe()
```

```
Out[344]: count      662789.000000
mean          1.608640
std           25.305746
min            0.000000
25%            0.002674
50%            0.013600
75%            0.092560
max           11049.827067
Name: bitcoinquantity, dtype: float64
```

```
In [347]: df1.boxplot(column="bitcoinquantity")
```

```
Out[347]: <matplotlib.axes._subplots.AxesSubplot at 0x28df80a93d0>
```

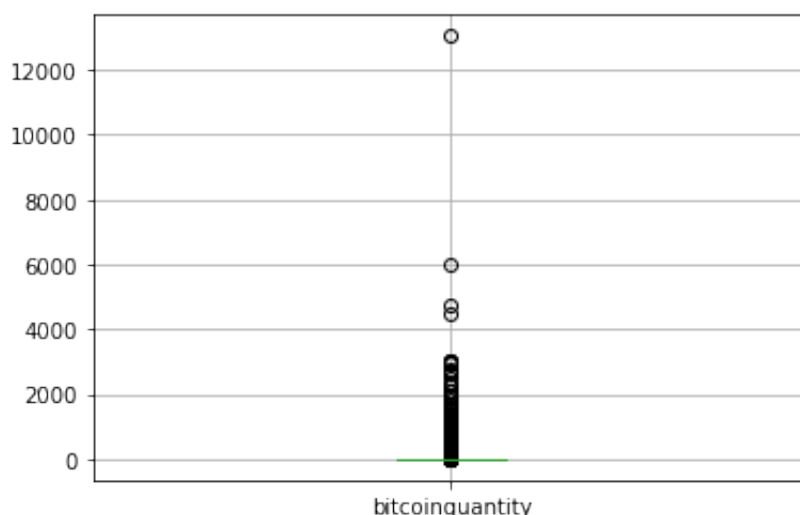


```
In [242]: df2["bitcoinquantity"].describe()
```

```
Out[242]: count      1.074306e+06  
mean        2.394909e+00  
std         2.845245e+01  
min         0.000000e+00  
25%         3.416800e-03  
50%         1.650000e-02  
75%         1.249998e-01  
max         1.304177e+04  
Name: bitcoinquantity, dtype: float64
```

```
In [348]: df2.boxplot(column="bitcoinquantity")
```

```
Out[348]: <matplotlib.axes._subplots.AxesSubplot at 0x39b160ea520>
```



From the above boxplots and statistics, we can observe that the big majority of the transactions are lower than 1 BTC with the third quartile for both days being lower than 1 BTC. The mean of the BTC transactions on the 6th of December(2.39 BTC) is though significantly higher than the one for the 4th of November(1.61 BTC). So is the case for the median, 3rd quartile and maximum BTC transaction value. We can therefore safely say that the amount of BTC involved in the transactions on the 6th of December were generally higher than that on the 4th of November.

```
In [349]: dg1=df1[['src_identity','dst_identity']]
          dg2=df2[['src_identity','dst_identity']]
```

```
In [350]: #Directed and undirected graphs for the 2 dates
          g10 = nx.from_pandas_edgelist(dg1, 'src_identity', 'dst_identity', c
          g11 = nx.from_pandas_edgelist(dg1, 'src_identity', 'dst_identity', c
          g20 = nx.from_pandas_edgelist(dg2, 'src_identity', 'dst_identity', c
          g21 = nx.from_pandas_edgelist(dg2, 'src_identity', 'dst_identity', c
```

## Network Statistics

```
In [351]: print ("number of nodes for the 4th November 2017: "+str(len(g10.no
          print ("number of edges for the 4th November 2017: "+str(len(g10.ed
          print ("density for the 4th November 2017: "+str(nx.density(g10)))
          print ("avg degree for the 4th November 2017: "+str(mean([n for n in
          print ("clustering coefficient for the 4th November 2017: "+str(nx.
```

```
number of nodes for the 4th November 2017: 380061
number of edges for the 4th November 2017: 546729
density for the 4th November 2017: 3.785006589639088e-06
avg degree for the 4th November 2017: 2.8770592089164633
clustering coefficient for the 4th November 2017: 0.00252745199613
81078
```

```
In [352]: print ("number of nodes for the 6th December 2017: "+str(len(g20.no
          print ("number of edges for the 6th December 2017: "+str(len(g20.ed
          print ("density for the 6th December 2017: "+str(nx.density(g20)))
          print ("avg degree for the 6th December 2017: "+str(mean([n for n in
          print ("clustering coefficient for the 6th December 2017: "+str(nx.
```

```
number of nodes for the 6th December 2017: 568451
number of edges for the 6th December 2017: 852206
density for the 6th December 2017: 2.6372984644654896e-06
avg degree for the 6th December 2017: 2.998344624250815
clustering coefficient for the 6th December 2017: 0.00145582359242
00323
```



From the above statistics, we can observe that there is a much higher number transactions(edges) on the 6th of December compared to the 4th of November(852 206 VS 546 729) and so is the case for the number of actors(nodes) involved in these transactions(568 451 VS 380 061). The average degree for the 6th of December is higher than that of 4 Nov which is usually synonymous with greater network size. The density is higher for 4 Nov and hence, these results are consistent with the findings of Leskovec(2006) since he observed that when a graph increases in size, then the average degree increases while density decreases. The higher global clustering coefficient for the 4th of November can also be explained by the higher density of this Network.

## Identifying Nodes of Highest Centrality

```
In [357]: leaderboard = {}
for x in g10.nodes:
    leaderboard[x] = len(g10[x])

s = pd.Series(leaderboard, name='edges')
dc1 = s.to_frame().sort_values('edges', ascending=False)
dc1
```

Out [357]:

	edges
	0
4400	
<b>Bittrex.com</b>	4191
<b>Poloniex.com</b>	2652
<b>8452317</b>	2270
<b>20</b>	2057
...	...
<b>19joXisRSGEA7au6KVQFtuPRBbJ3cdz1d1</b>	0
<b>13MTiLZQapJprUGVEgPN3CAXcKbGfufBf</b>	0
<b>66895027</b>	0
<b>13N78oVQeTV8sVHhG6A3MbCzFWuRE4jT5h</b>	0
<b>nonstandardf0f569d5d62d680a6e245f4376d5723ccec6e9b9</b>	0

380061 rows × 1 columns

```
In [360]: #Since it is a directed network
print("nodes of highest degree 4th November 2017:")
sorted(nx.degree(g10), key=lambda x: x[1], reverse=True)[:10]
```

nodes of highest degree 4th November 2017:

```
Out[360]: [('0', 18714),
('Bittrex.com', 13216),
('141', 6538),
('66', 6346),
('Poloniex.com', 5201),
('4', 4678),
('CoinPayments.net', 4024),
('20', 3323),
('ePay.info', 3270),
('39', 3202)]
```

```
In [361]: leaderboard = {}
for x in g20.nodes:
    leaderboard[x] = len(g20[x])

s = pd.Series(leaderboard, name='edges')
dc2 = s.to_frame().sort_values('edges', ascending=False)
dc2
```

```
Out[361]:
```

	edges
<b>Bittrex.com</b>	8952
<b>8452317</b>	8219
<b>0</b>	5118
<b>Poloniex.com</b>	5036
<b>Bitstamp.net</b>	4387
...	...
<b>16tBu3gpVi9LrnckfLdYtU2mgr3nWbAJVf</b>	0
<b>23333431</b>	0
<b>16uh9vDVmyXYXgJ41DbKXwM83eXk46QeR7</b>	0
<b>16vAS7v6kHsdW4L77wbjT5rPuEmTArZHfU</b>	0
<b>nonstandardfee22bb1686fe7bd4cbeed3f4df4b6a9d610f165</b>	0

568451 rows × 1 columns

```
In [362]: print("nodes of highest degree 6th December 2017:")
sorted(nx.degree(g20), key=lambda x: x[1], reverse=True)[:10]
```

nodes of highest degree 6th December 2017:

```
Out[362]: [('Bittrex.com', 36898),
('39', 31497),
('0', 24113),
('8', 23126),
('Poloniex.com', 10453),
('296', 9676),
('8452317', 8219),
('198', 7728),
('Bitstamp.net', 6459),
('66', 5773)]
```

We can observe that there are a number of main actors which appear on both dates. These include: Bittrex, Poloniex and unknown wallets 0 and 8452317. The number of transactions Bittrex participated in significantly increased from 4191 to 8952. It is also generally observed for the other main actors that the number of transactions they were involved in on the 6 Dec is much higher than for the 4 Nov.

## Focus on the 1000 nodes with highest degree

```
In [363]: #Keeping the 1000 nodes with highest degree
smallestDegree1=[x[0] for x in sorted(g10.degree, key=lambda x: x[1])
g10.remove_nodes_from(smallestDegree1)
smallestDegree2=[x[0] for x in sorted(g11.degree, key=lambda x: x[1])
g11.remove_nodes_from(smallestDegree2)
smallestDegree3=[x[0] for x in sorted(g20.degree, key=lambda x: x[1])
g20.remove_nodes_from(smallestDegree3)
smallestDegree4=[x[0] for x in sorted(g21.degree, key=lambda x: x[1])
g21.remove_nodes_from(smallestDegree4)
```

```
In [311]: #Exporting to gephi
#nx.write_gexf(g10, 'nikhi10.gexf')
#nx.write_gexf(g20, 'nikhi20.gexf')
```

```
In [364]: #Directed network 4 Nov
print ("number of nodes for the 4th November 2017: "+str(len(g10.nodes)))
print ("number of edges for the 4th November 2017: "+str(len(g10.edges)))
print ("density for the 4th November 2017: "+str(nx.density(g10)))
print ("avg degree for the 4th November 2017: "+str(mean([n for n in g10.degree])))
print ("clustering coefficient for the 4th November 2017: "+str(nx.average_clustering(g10)))
```

number of nodes for the 4th November 2017: 1000  
number of edges for the 4th November 2017: 14137  
density for the 4th November 2017: 0.014151151151151151  
avg degree for the 4th November 2017: 28.274  
clustering coefficient for the 4th November 2017: 0.136983119721126

```
In [372]: #Undirected network 4 Nov
print ("number of nodes for the 4th November 2017: "+str(len(g11.nodes)))
print ("number of edges for the 4th November 2017: "+str(len(g11.edges)))
print ("density for the 4th November 2017: "+str(nx.density(g11)))
print ("avg degree for the 4th November 2017: "+str(mean([n for n in g11.nodes()]))
print ("clustering coefficient for the 4th November 2017: "+str(nx.average_clustering(g11)))

number of nodes for the 4th November 2017: 1000
number of edges for the 4th November 2017: 13230
density for the 4th November 2017: 0.026486486486486487
avg degree for the 4th November 2017: 26.46
clustering coefficient for the 4th November 2017: 0.16110333551340747
```

```
In [365]: #Directed network 6 Dec
print ("number of nodes for the 6th December 2017: "+str(len(g20.nodes)))
print ("number of edges for the 6th December 2017: "+str(len(g20.edges)))
print ("density for the 6th December 2017: "+str(nx.density(g20)))
print ("avg degree for the 6th December 2017: "+str(mean([n for n in g20.nodes()]))
print ("clustering coefficient for the 6th December 2017: "+str(nx.average_clustering(g20)))

number of nodes for the 6th December 2017: 1000
number of edges for the 6th December 2017: 19725
density for the 6th December 2017: 0.019744744744744743
avg degree for the 6th December 2017: 39.45
clustering coefficient for the 6th December 2017: 0.16143702060423773
```

```
In [373]: #Undirected Network 6 Dec
print ("number of nodes for the 6th December 2017: "+str(len(g21.nodes)))
print ("number of edges for the 6th December 2017: "+str(len(g21.edges)))
print ("density for the 6th December 2017: "+str(nx.density(g21)))
print ("avg degree for the 6th December 2017: "+str(mean([n for n in g21.nodes()]))
print ("clustering coefficient for the 6th December 2017: "+str(nx.average_clustering(g21)))

number of nodes for the 6th December 2017: 1000
number of edges for the 6th December 2017: 18661
density for the 6th December 2017: 0.037359359359359356
avg degree for the 6th December 2017: 37.322
clustering coefficient for the 6th December 2017: 0.17632517122398023
```

When focusing on the 1000 nodes of highest degree for the directed networks, we can see that the density as well as the global clustering coefficient for the 6 Dec is higher than that for the 4 Nov while this was not the case when we considered the complete networks. This indicates that for the 6 Dec, there is a higher concentration of connections between the main actors than it is the case for the 4 Nov.

If we compare the directed and undirected networks of the respective dates, we observe that the density and global clustering coefficient for the undirected graphs are higher than those of the directed networks.

```
In [366]: cc1 = g11.subgraph(sorted(nx.connected_components(g11), key=len, reverse=True))
print("average shortest path 4th November 2017: "+str(nx.average_shortest_path_length(cc1)))

cc2 = g21.subgraph(sorted(nx.connected_components(g21), key=len, reverse=True))
print("average shortest path 6th December 2017: "+str(nx.average_shortest_path_length(cc2)))

average shortest path 4th November 2017: 2.2654700245339594
average shortest path 6th December 2017: 2.1569291281421794
```

```
In [367]: #Defining the user types so as to include graph colouring
cara10=pd.DataFrame({ 'id':g10.nodes})
conditions = [(cara10["id"].str.len(>33),(cara10["id"].astype(str).str[0:33].str.isalpha())&&
values = [1,2]
cara10['node_status'] = np.select(conditions, values)
cara10['node_status']=cara10['node_status'].replace("0",3)
cara10= cara10.set_index('id')

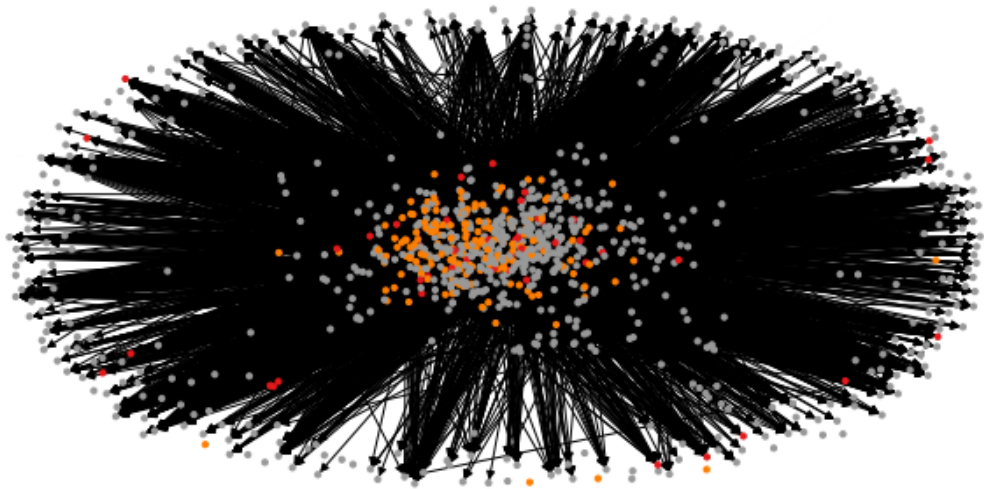
cara11=pd.DataFrame({ 'id':g11.nodes})
conditions = [(cara11["id"].str.len(>33),(cara11["id"].astype(str).str[0:33].str.isalpha())&&
values = [1,2]
cara11['node_status'] = np.select(conditions, values)
cara11['node_status']=cara11['node_status'].replace("0",3)
cara11= cara11.set_index('id')

cara20=pd.DataFrame({ 'id':g20.nodes})
conditions = [(cara20["id"].str.len(>33),(cara20["id"].astype(str).str[0:33].str.isalpha())&&
values = [1,2]
cara20['node_status'] = np.select(conditions, values)
cara20['node_status']=cara20['node_status'].replace("0",3)
cara20= cara20.set_index('id')

cara21=pd.DataFrame({ 'id':g21.nodes})
conditions = [(cara21["id"].str.len(>33),(cara21["id"].astype(str).str[0:33].str.isalpha())&&
values = [1,2]
cara21['node_status'] = np.select(conditions, values)
cara21['node_status']=cara21['node_status'].replace("0",3)
cara21= cara21.set_index('id')
```

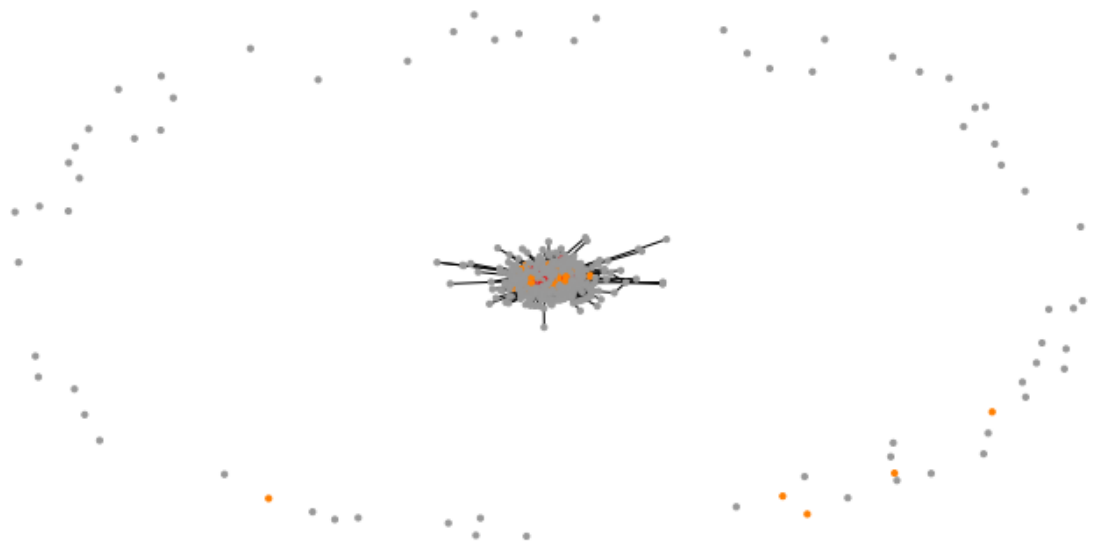
```
In [374]: plt.figure(1,figsize=(12,6))
plt.title('4th Nov Directed Network')
nx.draw(g10, with_labels=False, node_color=cara10['node_status'], c
#Color code kwn_wallet : Red, Ukwn_wallet : Grey, Ukwn_btc_add: Ora
```

4th Nov Directed Network



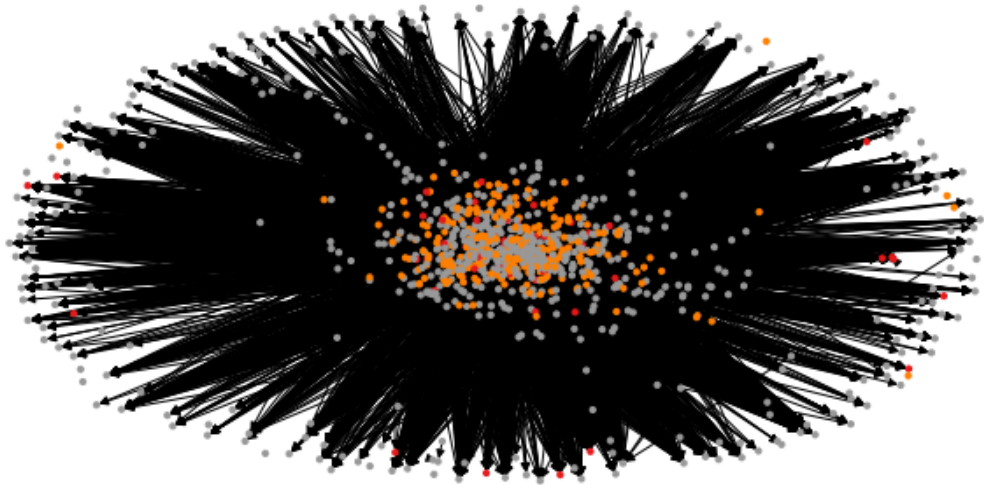
```
In [375]: plt.figure(1,figsize=(12,6))
plt.title('4th Nov Undirected Network')
nx.draw(g11, with_labels=False, node_color=cara11['node_status'], c
```

4th Nov Undirected Network



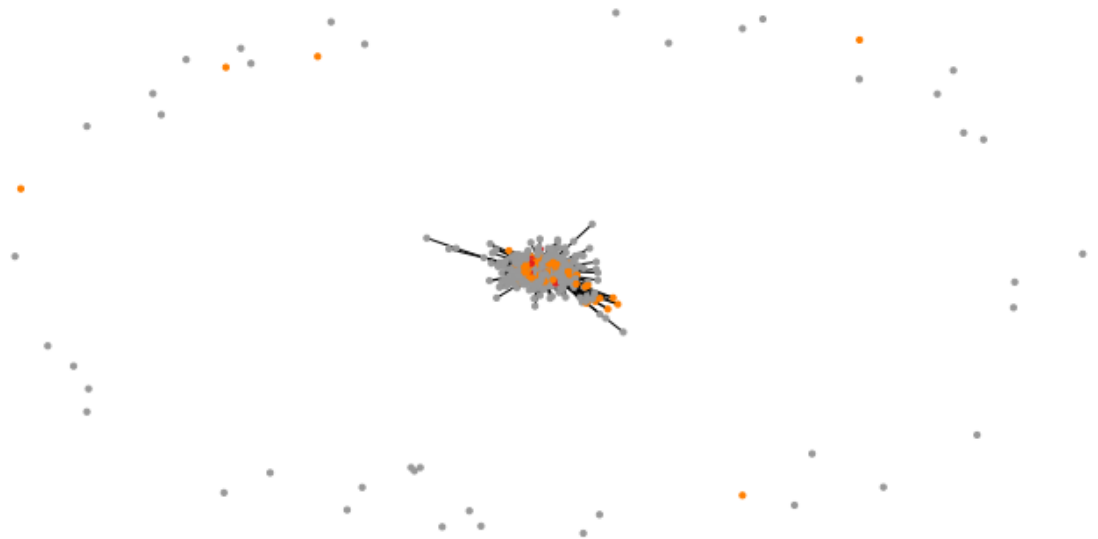
```
In [376]: plt.figure(1,figsize=(12,6))
plt.title('6th Dec Directed Network')
nx.draw(g20, with_labels=False, node_color=cara20['node_status'], ci
```

6th Dec Directed Network



```
In [377]: plt.figure(1,figsize=(12,6))
plt.title('6th Dec Undirected Network')
nx.draw(g21, with_labels=False, node_color=cara21['node_status'], ci
```

6th Dec Undirected Network



From the directed networks graphs, we can visually detect the higher concentration of main actors for the 6th of December. We can also observe a more frequent presence of the orange nodes which correspond to the unknown actors referred by BTC addresses for the 6 Dec than for 4 Nov.

For both dates, as we detected before, we can now easily observe that the undirected networks are indeed much more dense and clustered than their respective directed networks.

## Community Detection from undirected networks

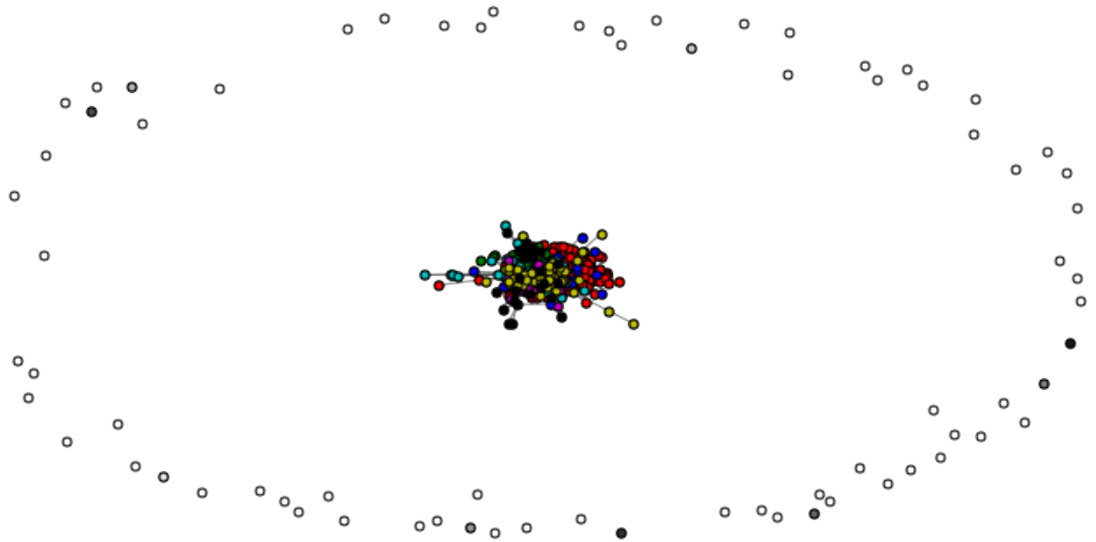
```
In [378]: communities1 = algorithms.louvain(g11)
          communities2 = algorithms.louvain(g21)
```

```
In [379]: com1 = sorted(nxcom.greedy_modularity_communities(g11), key=len, reverse=True)
          com2 = sorted(nxcom.greedy_modularity_communities(g21), key=len, reverse=True)
          print(f"On the 4th November the network has {len(com1)} communities")
          print(f"On the 6th December the network has {len(com2)} communities")
```

```
On the 4th November the network has 82 communities.
On the 6th December the network has 49 communities.
```

```
In [382]: viz.plot_network_clusters(g11, partition=communities1, figsize=(12,6))
```

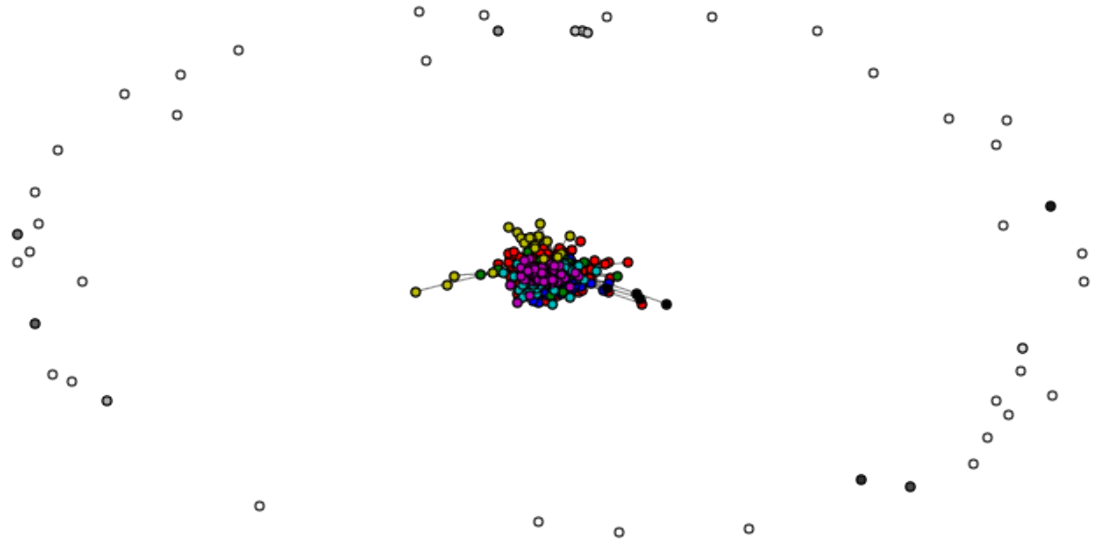
```
Out[382]: <matplotlib.collections.PathCollection at 0x39b1d6b4730>
```





```
In [383]: viz.plot_network_clusters(g21,partition=communities2,figsize=(12,6))
```

```
Out[383]: <matplotlib.collections.PathCollection at 0x180e20b3460>
```



We are able to detect the presence of 33 more communities for 4 Nov than for 6 Dec. However, the density and global clustering coefficient for 6 Dec were both higher. Therefore, these results may suggest that there is the presence of larger communities i.e with more nodes on the 6 Dec.

## Focus on the main actors

```
In [384]: #Keeping the 25 nodes with highest degree  
smallestDegree1=[x[0] for x in sorted(g10.degree, key=lambda x: x[1]  
g10.remove_nodes_from(smallestDegree1)  
smallestDegree2=[x[0] for x in sorted(g11.degree, key=lambda x: x[1]  
g11.remove_nodes_from(smallestDegree1)  
smallestDegree3=[x[0] for x in sorted(g20.degree, key=lambda x: x[1]  
g20.remove_nodes_from(smallestDegree3)  
smallestDegree4=[x[0] for x in sorted(g21.degree, key=lambda x: x[1]  
g21.remove_nodes_from(smallestDegree4)
```

```
In [385]: print("nodes of highest degree 4th November 2017:")
sorted(nx.degree(g10), key=lambda x: x[1], reverse=True)[:25]
```

nodes of highest degree 4th November 2017:

```
Out[385]: [('Bittrex.com', 44),
('CoinPayments.net', 44),
('Poloniex.com', 44),
('32', 44),
('354', 43),
('39', 43),
('25', 43),
('65', 43),
('0', 43),
('35', 43),
('Xapo.com', 42),
('Bitstamp.net', 42),
('189', 42),
('ePay.info', 41),
('94', 40),
('4', 40),
('62', 38),
('20', 37),
('Cryptonator.com', 37),
('107', 34),
('204', 32),
('1211379', 23),
('Luno.com', 23),
('30', 22),
('66', 21)]
```

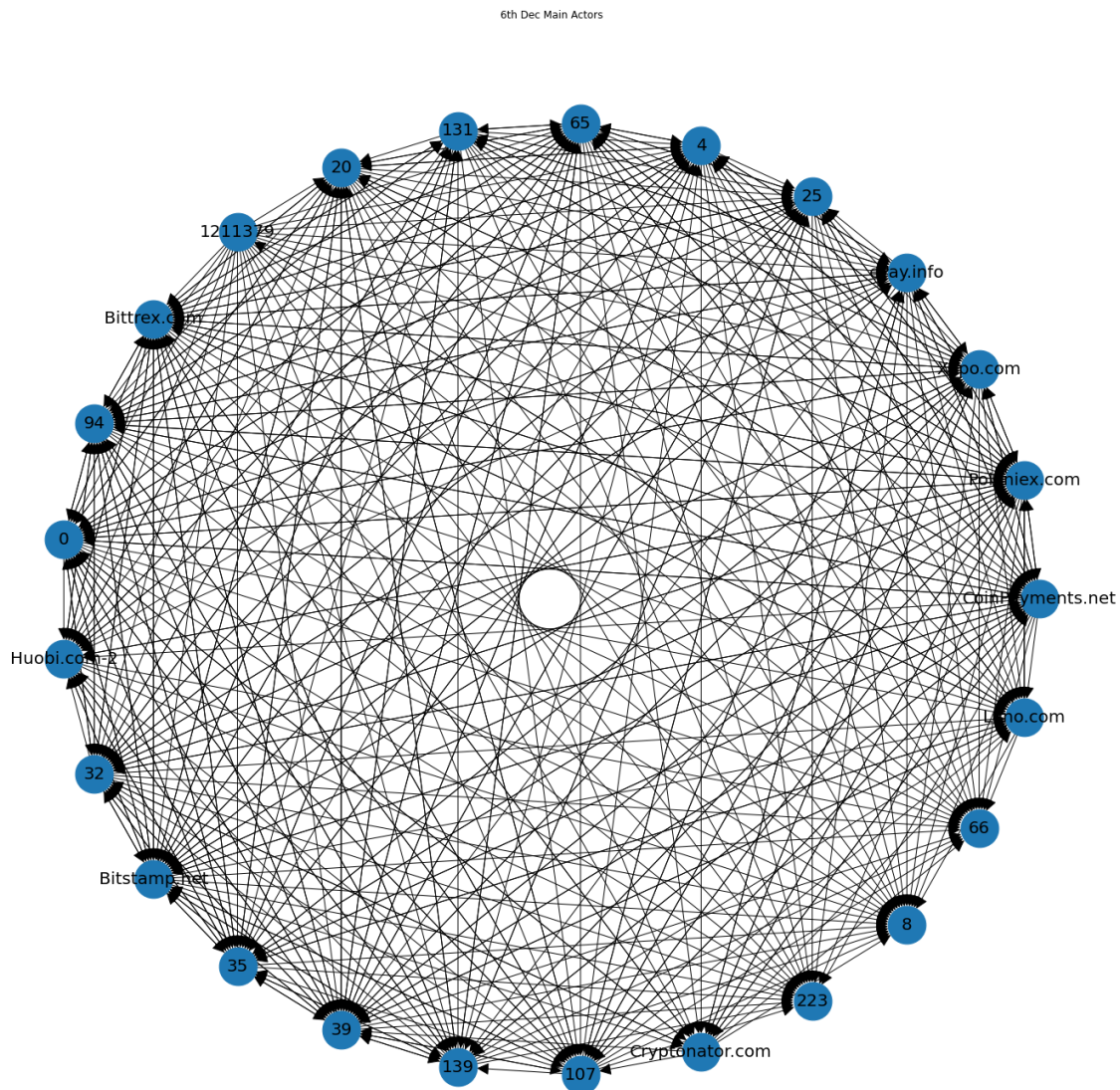
```
In [386]: print("nodes of highest degree 6th December 2017:")
sorted(nx.degree(g20), key=lambda x: x[1], reverse=True)[:25]
```

nodes of highest degree 6th December 2017:

```
Out[386]: [('Poloniex.com', 44),
('Bittrex.com', 44),
('Bitstamp.net', 42),
('39', 42),
('CoinPayments.net', 41),
('65', 41),
('94', 40),
('0', 40),
('32', 39),
('Xapo.com', 37),
('4', 37),
('20', 36),
('35', 36),
('25', 35),
('107', 35),
('ePay.info', 34),
('139', 33),
('131', 30),
('Huobi.com-2', 30),
('Luno.com', 28),
('1211379', 24),
('Cryptonator.com', 24),
('8', 22),
('66', 21),
('223', 19)]
```



```
In [401]: figure(figsize=(25, 25*))
plt.title('6th Dec Main Actors')
nx.draw_shell(g20,node_size=2000 ,with_labels=True,arrows=True,arrow
```



From these two graphs, we can confirm that there's a heavy concentration of transactions originating from the major actors and that there is bilateral connections between most of the nodes studied for both of the considered dates. Most of the major actors are also common to both the dates.