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This paper focuses on the presence of witnesses in Demotic contracts from Ptolemaic Thebes. It investigates the interpersonal links between the three main actor groups of these contracts. The scribes and parties have always received a lot of attention from papyrologists, but the witnesses have more or less been neglected so far. We will try to provide an answer to the crucial question of how these witnesses were chosen with the help of social network analysis.
