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32 Data souce

We collected individual-level data on 1349 SARS-CoV-2 infections during the 33 major outbreak in Zhejiang province, China, from January 8th to February 34 23rd, 2020 [1, 2]. The data contain comprehensive information of each case, 35 such as their demographical information and epidemiological linkage to others 36 identified through contact tracing efforts. The resulted infector-infectee trans-37 mission pairs thereby inherently contain the nature of a directed transmission 38 network. Precisely, started from each indexed case, edges consecutively direct 39 out to the secondary infections, which ultimately form a cluster or a "compo-40 nent" in the terminology of network science. The infector-infectee transmission 41 pairs form a transmission network combining such clusters. The nodes and 42 edges inside are unlikely to be homogeneous, and the topological character-43 istics of the networks across periods are also distinct. To better understand 44 the patterns and drivers of such heterogeneity, we analyze four fundamental 45 graphical measures introduced below, both statically and dynamically. 46

The personal information for each case includes age, gender, guardians (if 47 applicable), household information, household and occupational location, the 48 severity of infection, potential exposures, travel history to other areas, date of 49 symptom onset, and date of laboratory-confirmation. Potential exposures are 50 recorded in detailed texts where we extracted names and types of exposures. 51 All epidemiological information and laboratory confirmation were collected 52 by specialists in provincial or municipal CDC or hospitals in Zhejiang. Extra 53 efforts were conducted to correct typographical errors (such as names in the 54 same pronunciation) and explore additional information such as family relation 55 that is missed in raw records. 56

57 Methods

⁵⁸ Notation of network and definitions of network ⁵⁹ characteristics

We use a 2-tuple (N, g) to represent a network object, where N is the set of indexes of nodes and the adjacency matrix g is a real-valued $n \times n$ matrix, in which entry g_{ij} represents the relation between i and j. In a transmission network with specified transmission directions, $g_{ij} = 1$ means that i is the source case of j and j is the secondary case of i. The out-degree of a node is the number of edges directed out from it and the in-degree of a node is the number of edges that ends with it. We let d_i^+ and d_i^- denote the out-degree

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and in-degree of the *i*th node, respectively. Thus if $d_i^+ > 0$ and $d_i^- = 0$, the 67 ith node is an indexed case which is the origin of a cluster. On the other 68 hand, if $d_i^+ = 0$ and $d_i^- > 0$, the *i*th node is a terminal case that induces 69 no other secondary case. If both $d_i^+ = 0$ and $d_i^- = 0$, the *i*th node does not 70 belong to any cluster, and it is marked as a singleton in the network. We let S71 denote the set of singletons. The reasons for a node becoming a singleton are 72 twofold. For one thing, it was an imported case and did not infect anybody. 73 For another, the transmission linkage of it was inexplicit, and epidemiologists 74 were not able to identify neither the source case nor secondary cases of it. For 75 example, there was a large outbreak within a prison, but we were unable to 76 identify an explicit transmission chain, and thus, most of the involved cases 77 were considered singletons. In calculating network characteristics, we neglect 78 the existence of singletons inside; i.e., we focus on the sub-network $N \setminus S$. 79

Throughout this article, we mainly consider four basic graphical mea-80 sures of the transmission network: 1) Average out-degree, 2) average shortest 81 path length, 3) diameter of clusters, and 4) sizes of clusters, which would 82 characterize the number of secondary cases, the cohesion of the transmission 83 occurrence, the generations of the epidemic spread and the developed size for 84 one clustered epidemic event, respectively. The average out-degree is the sum 85 of out-degree for non-singleton cases divided by the total number of them, 86 that is $\sum_{j \in N \setminus S} d_j^+ / |N \setminus S|$, where $|\cdot|$ denotes the cardinality of a set. For 87 the average shortest path length (ASPL), we firstly define that path(i, j) = 188 if there exists a directed path beginning from the ith and ending in the jth 89 nodes, otherwise path(i, j) = 0. Among all paths, the distance between the 90 *i*th and the *j*th nodes, dist(i, j) is defined as the length of their shortest path 91 (i.e., geodesic). If path(i, j) = 0, we assume the distance between them is 0. 92 The average shortest path length is defined as [3]93

$$ASPL = \frac{\sum_{i,j \in N, i \neq j} \operatorname{dist}(i,j)}{\sum_{i,j \in N, i \neq j} \operatorname{path}(i,j)}$$
(S1)

Moreover, betweenness centrality of node v is defined as

$$C_B(v) = \sum_{i,j:i \neq j \neq v} \frac{g_{ivj}}{g_{ij}}$$
(S2)

where g_{ij} is the total number of shortest paths from node i to node j95 and g_{ivj} is the total number of shortest paths from node i to node j via 96 node v. Therefore, $C_B(v)$ quantifies the information transportation that passes 97 through node v. Furthermore, information is originated from instead of trans-98 porting through the source node of a tree-shaped network, the betweenness 99 centrality of it is always zero. Similarly, the betweenness centrality of a terminal 100 node inside a tree-shaped network is also zero. Therefore, in a transmis-101 sion network (composed of tree-shaped sub-networks), only the intermediate 102 nodes between the source and terminal nodes contribute to the measure of 103 betweenness. 104

The diameter of a connected transmission network is the maximum distance 105 within it; i.e., the distance from the indexed case to the farthest terminal case. 106 In the context of epidemiology, the diameter of a transmission network is the 107 maximum generation of the virus spread within it. Since the whole transmis-108 sion network can be decomposed into a collection of clusters or components, 109 we calculate the average diameter of clusters by averaging the diameter of each 110 cluster. Lastly, the size of a sub-network is the number of nodes within it. Thus, 111 the average size of clusters is calculated by averaging the sizes of clusters. 112

113 Agent-based transmission network model for simulations

A detailed description of how we build an agent-based transmission network 114 model is presented in the main text. Here we provide supplementary materials 115 on its settings. Key parameters for the outbreak reconstruction are summa-116 rized in Table S1. As described in the main text, we first build a social network 117 considering the household, geographical, and random connections between peo-118 ple. Specifically, we utilize our observational data to give realistic settings for 119 parameters such as household size and family-based age distribution. In addi-120 tion, we construct a social connection network consistent with the age-specific 121 contact rates matrix explored in detail by Zhang et al. [4] and assign weights 122 in different connections. 123

In terms of the transmission processes, we consider both pre-symptomatic 124 infectiousness and post-symptomatic viral shedding. More precisely, patients 125 are able to transmit COVID-19 before showing symptoms [5] (pre-symptomatic 126 infectiousness) and will lose infectiousness afterwards due to insufficient viral 127 loading [5, 6]. Thus, we assume five compartments in our model: suscep-128 tible, exposed, pre-symptomatic infectious, post-symptomatic infectious and 129 removed state. Every node is initially susceptible. After exposure to known 130 infectious cases, a node has a probability $(1 - (1 - \beta)^n)$ in the main-text) to be 131 infected and will then be transferred to the exposed state. In the exposed state, 132 cases are non-infectious. After a period of time (we assume it as a proportion 133 of the incubation period, the duration from being infected to symptom onset), 134 cases will be transferred to the pre-symptomatic infectious state. Afterwards, 135 cases will show symptoms and move to the post-symptomatic infectious state. 136 As long as they develop symptoms, they will be assigned a removal period, 137 the duration between symptom onset and isolation. After a removal period, 138 cases will be quarantined and no longer participate in the transmission pro-139 cesses, i.e., move to the removed state. Note that in very early stage of the 140 outbreak, the speed of case finding is relatively slow. Therefore, the removal 141 period can be longer than the post-symptomatic infectious period as cases 142 could be physically free while already losing their infectiousness capabilities. 143 Settings for those periods as well as age-dependent heterogeneity are in accor-144 dance with some previous studies [5-7]. For the removal of infected cases, 145 we set the removal period based on our observational data (see Fig. S8 (a)). 146 Moreover, we incorporated a dynamic change of contact pattern through the 147 pre-outbreak, lockdown, and resumption phases based on previously reported 148

¹⁴⁹ contact matrices observed during the pre-outbreak and outbreak periods [4] ¹⁵⁰ (see *Construction of daily age-specific contact matrix*, Fig. S2 and Fig. S3).

¹⁵¹ Construction of daily age-specific contact matrix

According to Zhang et al. [4], we can get the age-specific contact matrix for 152 both baseline period and outbreak period, denoted by c_{base} and c_{outbreak} . How-153 ever, neither the intermediate state in between nor the contact pattern in the 154 post-lockdown period was observed. Therefore, we assume that it decrease as a 155 time-dependent function following Tan et al. [8] (Fig. S3). At the beginning, we 156 assume the contact rate declined in a very small scale (ϵ) before January 10th 157 (3 days from January 8th) and started to drop afterwards. Zhejiang provincial 158 government upgraded its infectious disease alert category to the highest level 159 on January 23rd, 2020, we assumed that the social contact frequency dropped 160 to the lowest level afterwards. The provincial government started the reopen-161 ing on February 10th, 33 days from January 8th, after which the social contact 162 frequency increased. Because COVID-19 cases were still being reported spo-163 radically, we assumed the social contact frequency, in the following one month, 164 equal to an average of the contact levels in the baseline period and the outbreak 165 period. Briefly, let $c^{(d)}$ be the contact matrix in the d day. Then $c^{(0)} = c_{\text{base}}$, 166 $c^{(d)} = c_{\text{outbreak}}$ for $16 \le d \le 32$ and $c^{(d)} = (c_{\text{base}} + c_{\text{outbreak}})/2$ for $d \ge 63$. We 167 denote the average contact number of the ith age group to the jth age group 168 at time d as $c_{ij}^{(d)}$. For $1 \le d \le 16$, the monotonic decline function followed a logistic curve given by the following equation: 169 170

$$c_{ij}^{(d)} = c_{ij}^{(0)} \left(\frac{1 - \eta_{ij}}{1 + \exp(\lambda_m (d - t_0 - m/2))} + \eta_{ij} \right)$$
(S3)

Here, if λ_m is chosen as $2\log(\epsilon/(1-\epsilon))/m$ and ϵ is sufficiently small (e.g. $\varepsilon = 0.01$), m could be viewed as the duration of the decreasing process [8] (as illustrated in Fig. S2). $\eta_{ij} = c_{ij}^{(16)}/c_{ij}^{(0)}$ is the percentage of decrease. As discussed above, we set m = 13, $t_0 = 3$. On the other hand, in terms of the resumption process, for $32 \le d \le 62$, we invert the decreasing process by:

$$c_{ij}^{(d)} = c_{ij}^{(63)} \left(\frac{1 - \gamma_{ij}}{1 + \exp(\lambda_m (62 - d - m/2))} + \gamma_{ij} \right)$$
(S4)

where m = 30 with λ_m as defined above and $\gamma_{ij} = c_{ij}^{(32)}/c_{ij}^{(62)}$. In a nutshell, we can get a series of contact matrices for every day $d(c^{(d)})$ presented in Fig. S3.

¹⁷⁸ Exploration and supporting results

Graphical characteristics of the observed transmission data

¹⁸¹ We collected data on 1349 confirmed SARS-CoV-2 infections identified in ¹⁸² Zhejiang Province as well as their baseline information and epidemiological

tracing notes. From information collected through contact tracing, we par-183 tially recovered the infector-infectee transmission chains between cases. If one 184 case had more than one potential source of infection, we sampled only one. 185 Sensitivity results are presented in variation of sampling a source case. There-186 after, a transmission network can be constructed by combining all transmission 187 pairs. We then computed four basic graphical measures to assess the transmis-188 sion network quantitatively: 1) Average out-degree, 2) average shortest path 189 length, 3) diameter of clusters, and 4) sizes of clusters. Among them, there 190 exists heterogeneity related to demographical factors such as age and house-191 hold transmission. Relatively older adult cases accounted for more significant 192 contributions than younger adult and adolescent cases in the transmission pro-193 cesses (top-right corner in Fig. S4 (a)). Notably, the average out-degree (i.e., 194 number of secondary infections) induced by cases aged between 40 and 59 is 195 considerably higher than that induced by cases from other age groups (Fig. S4 196 (b)). Furthermore, those aged between 40 and 59 were more frequently identi-197 fied as the indexed cases in the transmission network, while cases from other 198 age groups were substantially more likely to be positioned as the terminal 199 cases. In terms of household transmission, 54.5% of the terminal transmission 200 occurred within the household, while household transmission only accounted 201 for 39.3% of non-terminal transmission. 202

Dynamic epidemiological and graphical characteristics of the transmission network

Across periods before and during the outbreak (that is period I and period 205 II), there existed a quantity of change both on epidemiological and graphical 206 aspects. First, the average removal period (the duration from symptom onset 207 to isolation, which reflects the speed of case finding) was decreasing over time, 208 starting from nearly 20 days and ending with virtually zero (Fig. S8 (a)). In 209 aggregation, the average removal period in period I was 6.41 days, while in 210 period II, it was 4.18 days. Moreover, the curve of imported cases over time 211 peaked at the declaration of lock-down, with most of them from period I 212 (Fig. S8 (b)). On a graphical aspect, the secondary infection induced by cases 213 of all ages showed a clear distinction between periods (Fig. S6 (b)). Cases 214 aged between 40 and 59, the age groups with the largest average out-degree 215 in period I, encountered a considerable decrease in this quantity in period 216 II. However, for all other ages, the secondary infection increased. Their wax 217 and wane jointly resulted in a relatively homogeneous distribution in average 218 out-degree across age groups in period II. Besides, the heterogeneity of cases' 219 location in the network related to their age also changed by periods (Fig. S6 220 (a)). Except in those below 20, cases belonging to other age groups had an 221 increasing proportion as an indexed case between periods I and II. Conversely, 222 the proportion as a terminal case dropped in nearly all age groups. Household 223 transmission often resulted in terminal transmission during both periods, but 224 that proportion considerably rose from period I to period II. In addition, from 225 period I to II, some graphical measures such as average out-degree, average 226

shorted path length, and the average size of clusters encountered noticeable recession. Both the large-spreading events (each with an out-degree at least 3) and large clusters (with a size of at least 5) became less common in period II. Most of the shortest path length between cases concentrated below 2, also suggesting that clusters became much more cohesive around their indexed cases and less forked.

²³³ Reconstruction of the transmission network

Using the agent-based transmission network model described in the main text as well as *Agent-based transmission network model for simulations* under realistic settings given in Table S1, we reconstructed a transmission network for the outbreak in Zhejiang from January 8th to February 23rd. From Fig. S9, the daily number of the new-onset cases in reconstruction fitted well to the observed one.

Sensitivity analysis on the split-point of time periods

²⁴² January 20th as the split-point

We chose the time before January 20th as the first period and the time after 243 January 21st as the second period and repeat the analysis on the main text. 244 The results show that some network attributes significantly changed across 245 periods. In details, the proportion of singletons significantly increased from 246 32.4% (95% CI: 27.6%, 37.4%) to 58.8% (95% CI: 55.4%, 62.7%) (p < 0.001); 247 average out-degree from 0.77 (95% CI: 0.69, 0.83) to 0.66 (95% CI: 0.62, 0.70) 248 (p = 0.012); average shortest path length from 1.63 (95% CI: 1.25, 1.77) to 1.17 249 $(95\% \text{ CI: } 1.10, 1.21) \ (p = 0.012);$ average diameter of clusters from 1.41 $(95\% \text{ CI: } 1.10, 1.21) \ (p = 0.012);$ 250 CI: 1.23, 1.55) to 1.23 (95% CI: 1.15, 1.30) (p = 0.042); average size of clusters 251 from 4.41 (95% CI: 3.19, 5.84) to 2.97 (95% CI: 2.62, 3.32) (p = 0.0122); the 252 proportion of household transmission from 45.7% (95% CI: 38.6%, 54.0%) to 253 59.4% (95% CI:52.0%, 67.7%) (p = 0.042), average removal period from 10.29 254 days (SE: 0.28) to 4.48 days (SE: 0.11) (p < 0.001); the number of clusters 255 increased from 75 to 119. Only one attribute's change was statistically insignif-256 icant, the proportion of super-spreaders from 7.7% (95% CI: 5.1%, 9.3%) to 257 4.8% (95% CI: 3.0%, 6.4%) (p = 0.065). 258

Compared to the result on the main text using January 23 as the splitpoint, on a significance level of 0.05, there are two statistically different results: the decrease of proportion of super-spreaders became insignificant and the decrease of average diameter of clusters become significant. This is because after re-allocating the time between January 21st and January 23rd into period II, the number of super-spreading events in period II and the average diameter of clusters in period I increased significantly.

²⁶⁶ February 1st as the split-point

We chose the time before February 1st as the first period and the time 267 after February 2nd as the second period and repeat the analysis on the 268 main text. The results show that nearly all network attributes insignificantly 260 changed across periods. In details, the proportion of singletons significantly 270 increased from 45.6% (95% CI: 42.4%, 48.6%) to 85.5% (95% CI: 79.1%, 271 (p < 0.001); the number of clusters largely dropped from 186 to 8. 272 The change of other attributes was statistically insignificant: the proportion of 273 super-spreaders from 6.3% (95% CI: 4.8%, 7.4%) to 0.0% (95% CI: 0.0%, 0.0%) 274 (p = 0.3453); average out-degree from 0.72 (95% CI: 0.67, 0.77) to 0.56 (95%) 275 CI: 0.50, 0.61) (p = 0.158); average shorted path length from 1.47 (95% CI: 276 1.25, 1.65) to 1.00 (95% CI: 1.00, 1.00) (p = 0.137); average betweenness cen-277 trality from 0.52 (95% CI: 0.22, 0.89) to 0.00 (95% CI: 0.00, 0.00) (p = 0.179); 278 average diameter of clusters from 1.32 (95% CI: 1.23, 1.42) to 1.00 (95% CI: 1.23, 1.42)279 1.00, 1.00) (p = 0.137); average size of clusters from 3.59 (95% CI: 3.05, 4.34) 280 to 2.25 (95% CI: 2.00, 2.57) (p = 0.147); the proportion of household trans-281 mission from 52.0% (95% CI: 44.2%, 60.0%) to 60.0% (95% CI: 36.4%, 94.7%) 282 (p = 0.749). Average removal period dropped significantly from 6.63 days (SE: 283 0.13) to 2.06 days (SE: 0.13) (p < 0.001). 284

Compared to the result on the main text using January 23 as the splitpoint, on a significance level of 0.05, nearly all statistically significant results changed to as insignificant. In period II (after February 1st), the total number of cases and clusters both dropped significantly, which could have caused reduced statistical powers.

²⁹⁰ Variation of sampling a source case

We also conduct a sensitivity analysis on assessing the variation of sampling a source case. There are 43 cases with more than one potential source cases. For such cases, we randomly sample one "true" parent among all potential source cases and repeat the analysis on the main text.

Among 100 repetitions, results on comparison across periods in the main text are consistent except the proportion of superspreaders, average shortest path length and average diameter of clusters. 29% of the comparisons on the proportion of superspreaders, 19% on the average shortest path length and 65% on the average diameter of clusters vary from the results in the main text.

Supporting data

³⁰¹ Age distribution in Zhejiang

According to the census data on Zhejiang [9], the age distribution on Zhejiang on the year 2020 is as follows:

³⁰⁴ Distribution of family size

According to the observed data, the distribution of family size is illustrated in Fig. S12.

³⁰⁷ Age distribution by different family size

According to the observed data, the age distribution on a sample of families of different size is presented in Table S2, in which number represents age year.

Process	Type	Description	Value or distribution
	Network size	The number of nodes	20,000
-	Household	The average size of groups	2.94
	Connections ⁻	Weight in household connections	Base: 3.716; Outbreak: 5.041
Social Network	Geographical Connections	Number of geographical connections	If a node is in <i>i</i> th age group, the number of geographical connections of it is $2n_i$, where n_i is the average number of contacts per day of the <i>i</i> th age group, i.e., the sum of <i>i</i> th row in base contact matrix in Shanghai [4]
		Number of geographical connections to people in each group	Multinomial distribution with the total number being $2n_i$ and the probability being the normalized <i>i</i> th row of base contact matrix in Shanghai.
		Weight in geographical connections	0.5
-	Random	The mean number of random connections per person	1
	Connections_	Weight in random connections	0.5
	– Period – m –	Incubation period	Log-normal(4.2, 1.9) (i.e. mean and standard deviations of the logarithms are 4.2 and 1.9 respectively) [5, 10]
		Duration on exposed state: time from being infected to being infectious	Incubation period / Log-normal(0.04, 0.59)
T		Pre-symptomatic infectious period	Incubation period – the duration on exposed state
processes		Post-symptomatic infectious period	Gamma distribution with parameter 5.2 and 8
	_	Removal period	Weibull distribution with mean μ_t on day t and scale $\mu_t/\Gamma(1.2)$ is assigned according to Fig. S8 (a)
-	Infection rate	Infection rate per contact (β)	Peak at 5% [11] (see Table S3)
-	Susceptibility	Susceptibility in each age group	See Fig. S1 [12]
-	Contact number	Daily contact number to each age group	Contact matrix in each day calculated from contact matrix in Shanghai before and during the outbreak, see Fig. S3
		The pattern of decreasing and resuming	See Fig. S3
-	Imported	Total number of imported cases	445
		Import day	See Fig. S8 (b)

 ${\bf Table \ S1}: {\rm Key \ parameters \ for \ the \ network \ simulation}$

 Table S2: Age distribution by different family size

Family size	Age distribution
2	$\begin{array}{l} (13,40),(31,32),(58,63),(26,49),(33,63),(57,61),(42,45),(71,74),(37,63),\\ (55,72),(59,59),(7,36),(26,52),(30,35),(23,57),(45,47),(64,88),(50,53),\\ (60,62),(34,35),(36,49),(36,40),(53,53),(29,58),(54,56),(29,51),(37,40),\\ (62,71),(41,42),(54,55),(47,48),(45,69),(43,68) \end{array}$
3	$\begin{array}{l}(32,37,60),(4,10,33),(31,62,85),(51,59,63),(7,30,31),(29,37,63),(62,64,\\66),(6,36,53),(0,32,56),(1,34,68),(39,41,43),(9,12,62),(36,63,66),(20,\\44,50),(12,45,45),(34,57,62),(51,83,90),(35,56,59),(51,77,79),(20,45,\\46),(38,64,67),(38,40,63),(12,40,43)\end{array}$
4	$\begin{array}{c}(24,\ 34,\ 41,\ 60),\ (10,\ 19,\ 41,\ 44),\ (39,\ 39,\ 66,\ 67),\ (29,\ 48,\ 51,\ 70),\ (29,\ 30,\ 31,\ 32),\\(35,\ 38,\ 67,\ 70),\ (0,\ 29,\ 51,\ 54),\ (18,\ 20,\ 42,\ 67),\ (26,\ 51,\ 80,\ 85),\ (43,\ 47,\ 70,\ 72),\\(10,\ 39,\ 39,\ 66),\ (28,\ 49,\ 51,\ 53),\ (23,\ 40,\ 49,\ 71)\end{array}$
5	$(57,\ 58,\ 62,\ 65,\ 90),\ (11,\ 35,\ 37,\ 67,\ 69),\ (10,\ 37,\ 37,\ 38,\ 64),\ (19,\ 37,\ 44,\ 47,\ 86),\\ (47,\ 48,\ 50,\ 51,\ 70),\ (31,\ 56,\ 57,\ 59,\ 85),\ (37,\ 41,\ 46,\ 47,\ 70),\ (38,\ 61,\ 64,\ 67,\ 69)$
6	(13, 44, 46, 66, 74, 81), (1, 31, 32, 56, 57, 74), (22, 35, 47, 59, 60, 73)
8	(1, 22, 24, 32, 47, 56, 72, 73), (3, 6, 29, 31, 31, 32, 50, 55)
9	(21, 37, 39, 43, 43, 67, 68, 69, 72), (9, 18, 24, 37, 39, 45, 48, 67, 77)
13	(11, 27, 30, 32, 37, 56, 59, 62, 64, 64, 64, 65, 85)

Table S3: Adjusted relative risk by day from symptom onset [2] and the derived transmiss bility with peak at 5%

Transmissbility
0.0496
0.0474
0.0444
0.0414
0.0392
0.0373
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 1 Day from symptom onset. 2 RR: relative risk



Fig. S1: Susceptibility of individuals of each age group



Fig. S2: Contact rates function (S1), where t_0 represents the starting time of the lock-down period, m the duration of the decreasing process, $c_{ij}^{(0)}$ the average number of social contacts between the *i*th and the *j*th age group, η_{ij} the percentage of decrease



Fig. S3: Average contact number by days that is constructed based on the baseline contact matrix in Shanghai [4] and contact rates function in Fig. S2. Shaded area represents the period between January 24th and February 10th when Zhejiang was adopting highest-level response.



Fig. S4: (a) Number of confirmed cases in different age groups; (b) Average out-degree and 95% confidence interval of cases from each age group; (c) Average betweenness centrality and 95% confidence interval of cases from each age group; (d) Heterogeneity of cases' location in the network related to their age. If a case is the origin of a cluster, it is marked as an indexed case; if a case is positioned as the end of a cluster and thus has no further secondary infection, it is marked as a terminal case (analogous to terminal nodes in a tree).



Fig. S5: (a) Proportion of household transmission with respect to whether it resulted in terminal transmission or not; (b) Proportion of household transmission with respect to the generation of transmission. If the infectee is a terminal case, the transmission pointing toward it is marked as a terminal transmission.



Fig. S6: (a) Heterogeneity of cases' location in the network related to their age by periods; (b) Average out-degree of cases from each age group by periods; (c) Proportion of household transmission with respect to whether terminal transmission or not by periods.



Fig. S7: Distribution of network characteristics across periods. (a) distribution of out-degree of non-singletons; (b) distribution of shortest path length; (c) distribution of betweenness centrality of non-singletons; (d) distribution of diameter of clusters; (e) distribution of size of clusters. For each network attribute, we use Pearson χ^2 test to compare the distribution across periods, and use Benjamini-Hochberg to adjust the *p*-values.



Fig. S8: (a) Average removal periods by date (b) Import cases by date



Fig. S9: Daily number of the new-onset for the observed data (line in red) and the real-data-based simulation (line in blue, the median under 200 simulations). The first day is January 8th, 2020. Blue area represents the confidence band under 200 simulations.



Fig. S10: Confidence band for each scenario in Fig. 7, obtained from 200 simulations.



Fig. S11: Confidence band for each scenario in Fig. 8, obtained from 200 simulations.



Fig. S12: The distribution of family size. The average family size is 2.94 (SE: 0.24)



Fig. S13: Age distribution on Zhejiang on the year 2020

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