

Models and Algorithms for Complex Networks

“with network parametrization, typically characteristic profiles”

“with categorical attributes”

[C. Faloutsos MMDS08]

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Flexible (further parametrized) Models

1. Structural/Syntactic Flexible Models

2. Semantic Flexible Models

Models & Algorithms Connection : Kleinberg's Model(s) for Navigation

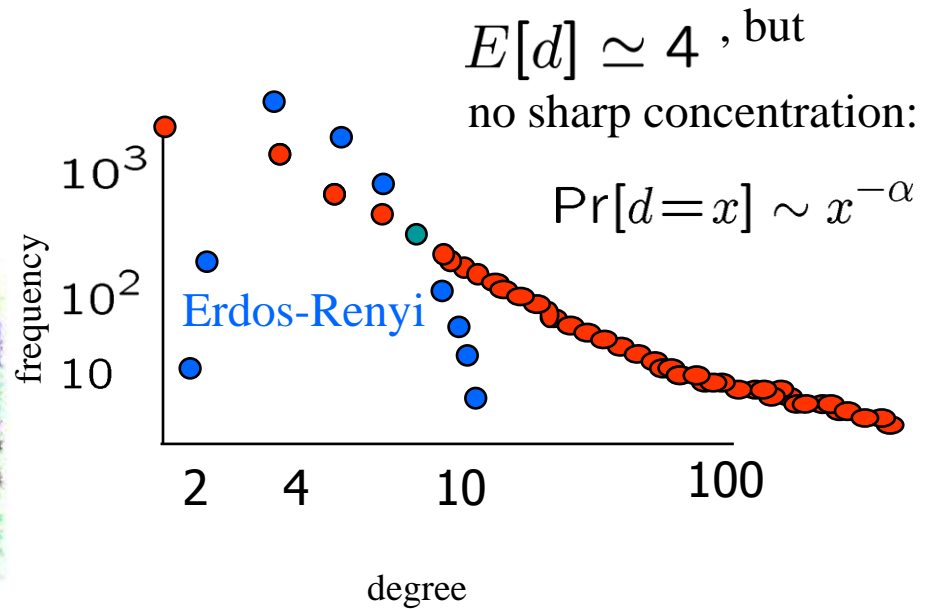
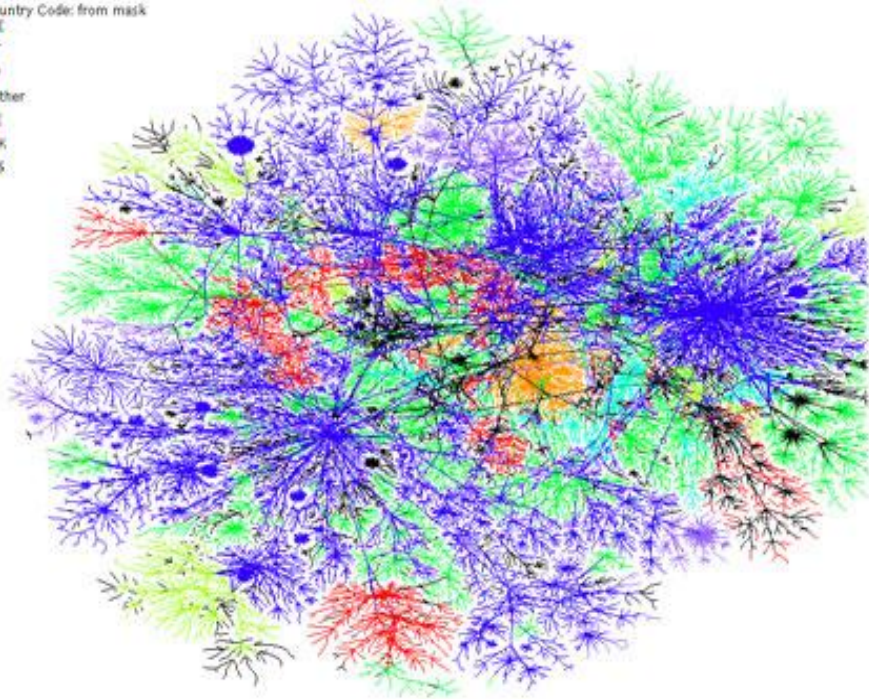
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**Conclusion : Web N.0 Model & Algorithm characteristics:
further parametrization, typically local,
locality of info in algorithms & dynamics.
Dynamics become especially important.**

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- Sparse graphs with large degree-variance. “Power-law” degree distributions.
- Small-world, i.e. small diameter, high clustering coefficients.



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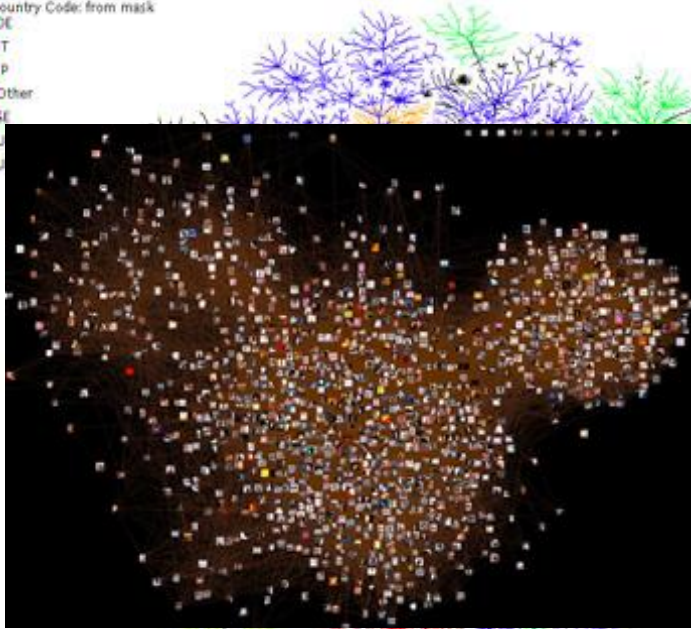


Web N.0

The Internet is constantly growing and evolving giving rise to new models and algorithmic questions.

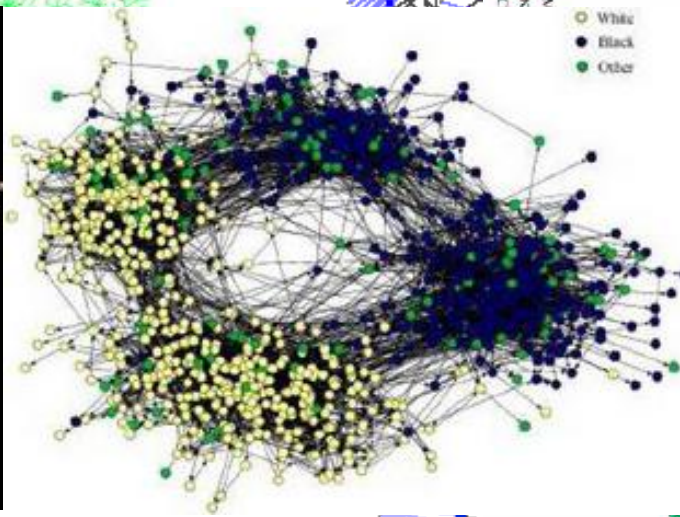
However, in practice, there are discrepancies ...

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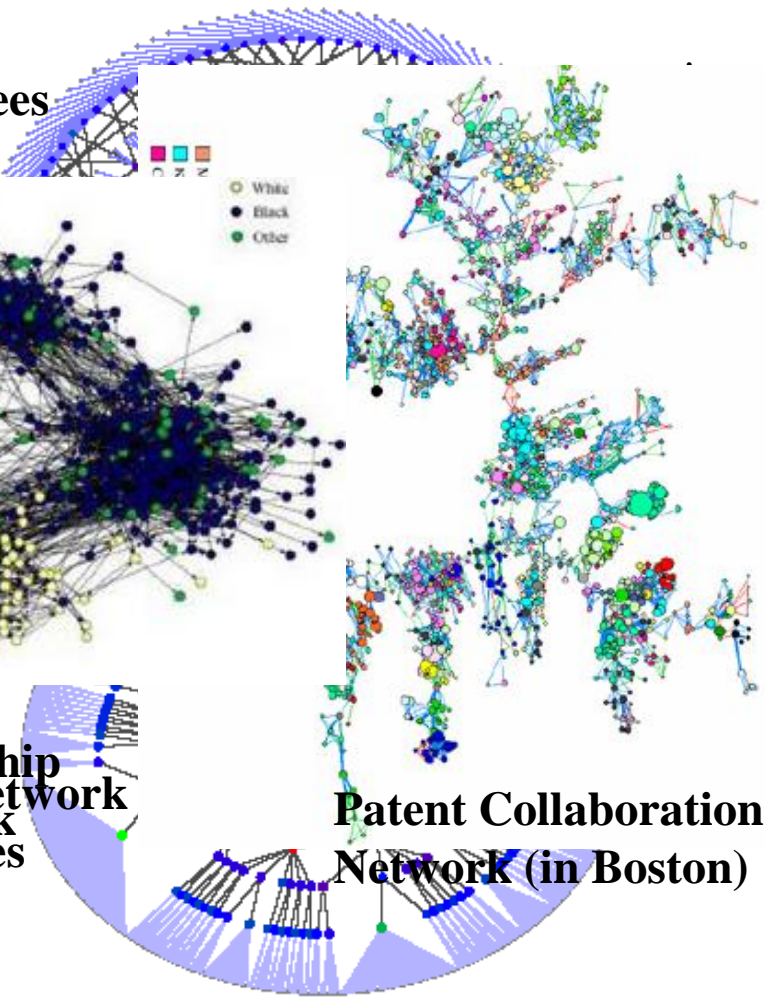


Global Flicking Network
 (Autonomous Systems)

Random Graph
 with same degrees
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Local Routing Network
 with same Degrees



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A rich theory of **power-law random graphs**
 has been developed [Evolutionary, Configurational Models, &
 e.g. see **Rick Durrett's '07 book**].

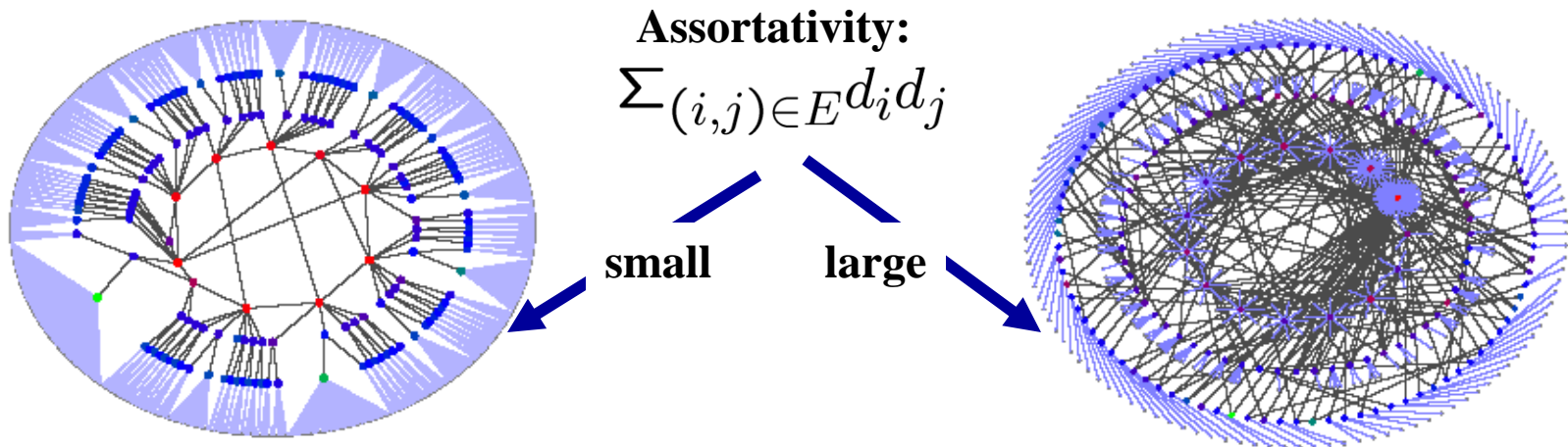
“Flexible” models for complex networks:

exhibit a “large” increase in the
properties of generated graphs

by introducing a “small” extension in the
parameters of the generating model.

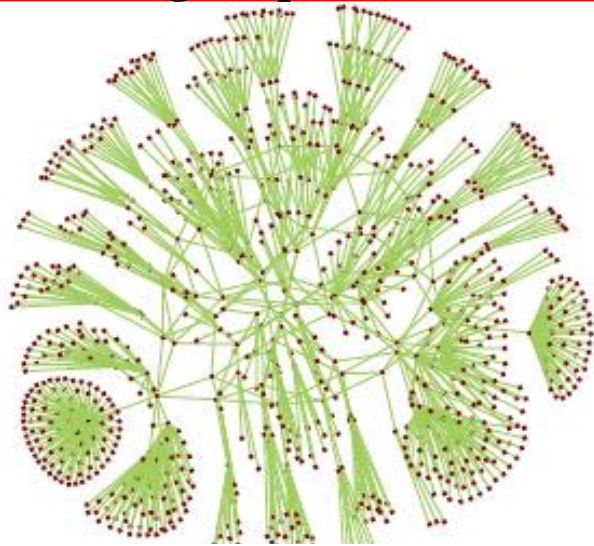
Case 1: Structural/Syntactic Flexible Model

- Models with power law and arbitrary degree sequences
Modifications and Generalizations
of Erdos-Gallai / Havel-Hakimi with additional constraints,
such as specified joint degree distributions
(from random graphs, to graphs with very low entropy).

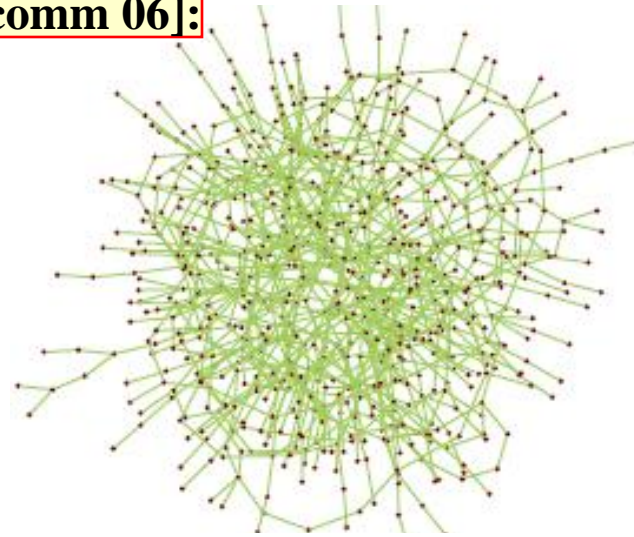


The networking community proposed that [Sigcomm 04, CCR 06 and Sigcomm 06],
beyond the degree sequence $d_1 \geq d_2 \geq \dots \geq d_n$,
models for networks of routers should capture
how many nodes of degree d_i are connected to nodes of degree d_j .

Networking Proposition [CCR 06, Sigcomm 06]:



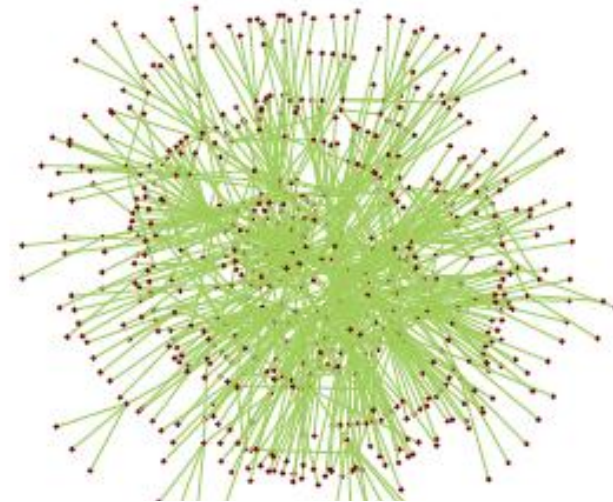
A real highly optimized network G.



A random graph with same average degree as G.



A graph with same number of links between nodes of degree d_i and d_j as G.



A random graph with same degree sequence as G.

The Joint-Degree Matrix Realization Problem is:

Given $\langle V, d, D \rangle$, is there/construct simple graph:
all vertices in V_i have degree $d(V_i)$, and
there are d_{ij} edges between V_i and V_j
(resp. d_{ii} edges inside V_i).

connected,
mincost,
random

Definitions

Let $V = [n]$.

Let $\mathbf{V} = \{V_1, \dots, V_k\}$ denote a partition of V
to classes of vertices of the same degree.

Let $d : \mathbf{V} \rightarrow \mathbf{N}$

denote the degrees of each class V_i .

Let $D = (d_{ij})$ be a $k \times k$ matrix, where

d_{ij} is the number of edges between V_i and V_j ,
and d_{ii} is the number of edges entirely in V_i .

The (well studied) Degree Sequence Realization Problem is:

Let $V = [n]$. Let $d_1 \geq d_2 \geq \dots \geq d_n$.

Is there/construct a simple graph on n vertices
with degrees: $d_1 \geq d_2 \geq \dots \geq d_n$.

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The Joint-Degree Matrix Realization Problem is:

Given $\langle V, d, D \rangle$, is there a simple graph where:
all vertices in V_i have degree $d(V_i)$, and
there are d_{ij} edges between V_i and V_j
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Theorem [Amanatidis, Green, M '08]:

The natural **necessary** conditions for an instance $\langle V, d, D \rangle$
to have a **realization** are also **sufficient** (and have a short description).

The natural **necessary** conditions for an instance $\langle V, d, D \rangle$
to have a **connected realization** are also **sufficient** (no known short
description).

There are polynomial time algorithms to construct
a **realization** and a **connected realization** of $\langle V, d, D \rangle$,
or produce a certificate that such a realization does not exist.

Advantages of Flexibility Realization Problem:

Given arbitrary $\{d_i\}_{i=1}^n$, d_n

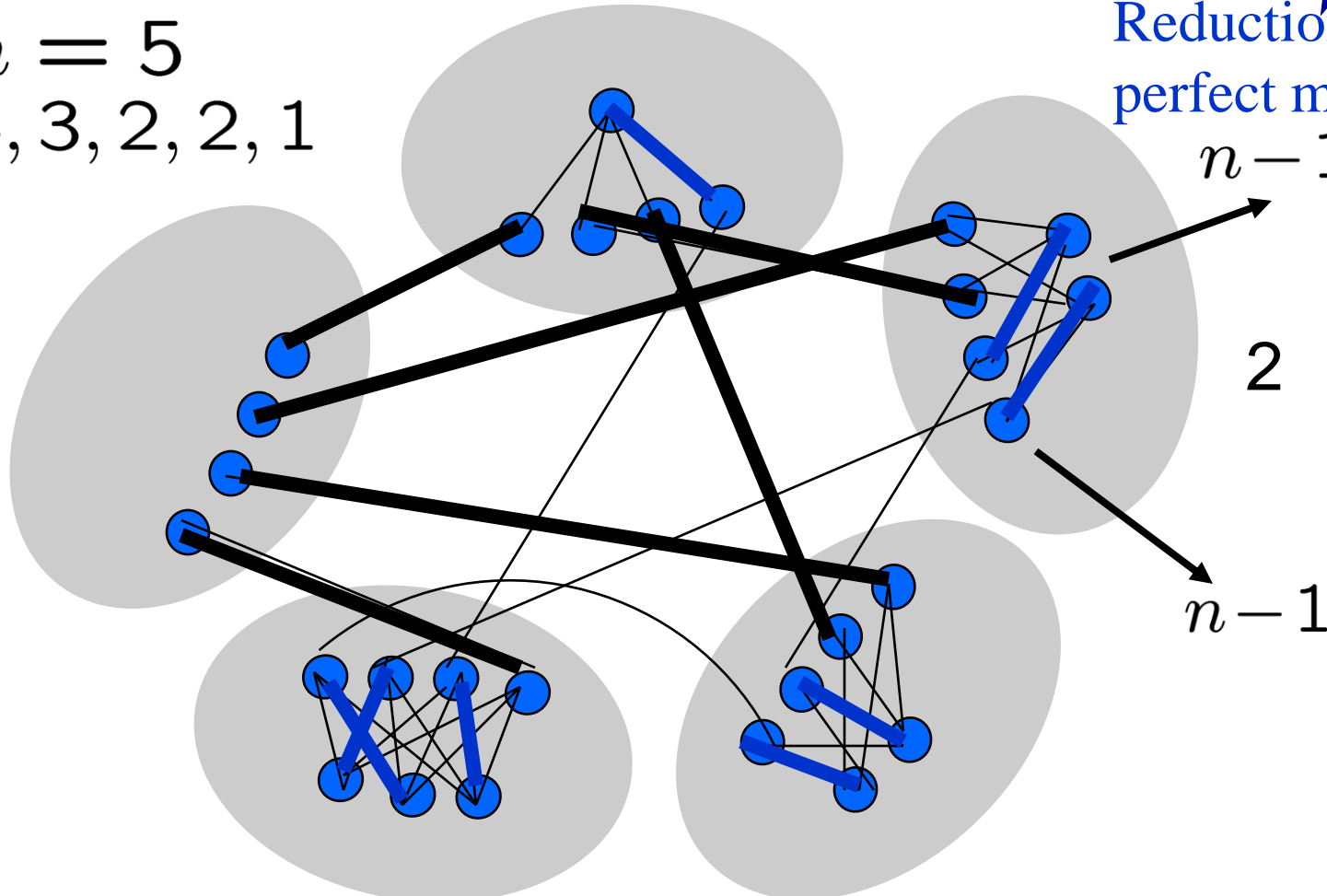
enforcing or precluding certain edges, adding costs on edges and finding mincost realizations.

Is this degree sequence realizable? close to matching \rightarrow close to sampling/random generation.

If so, construct a realization.



$n = 5$
4, 3, 2, 2, 1



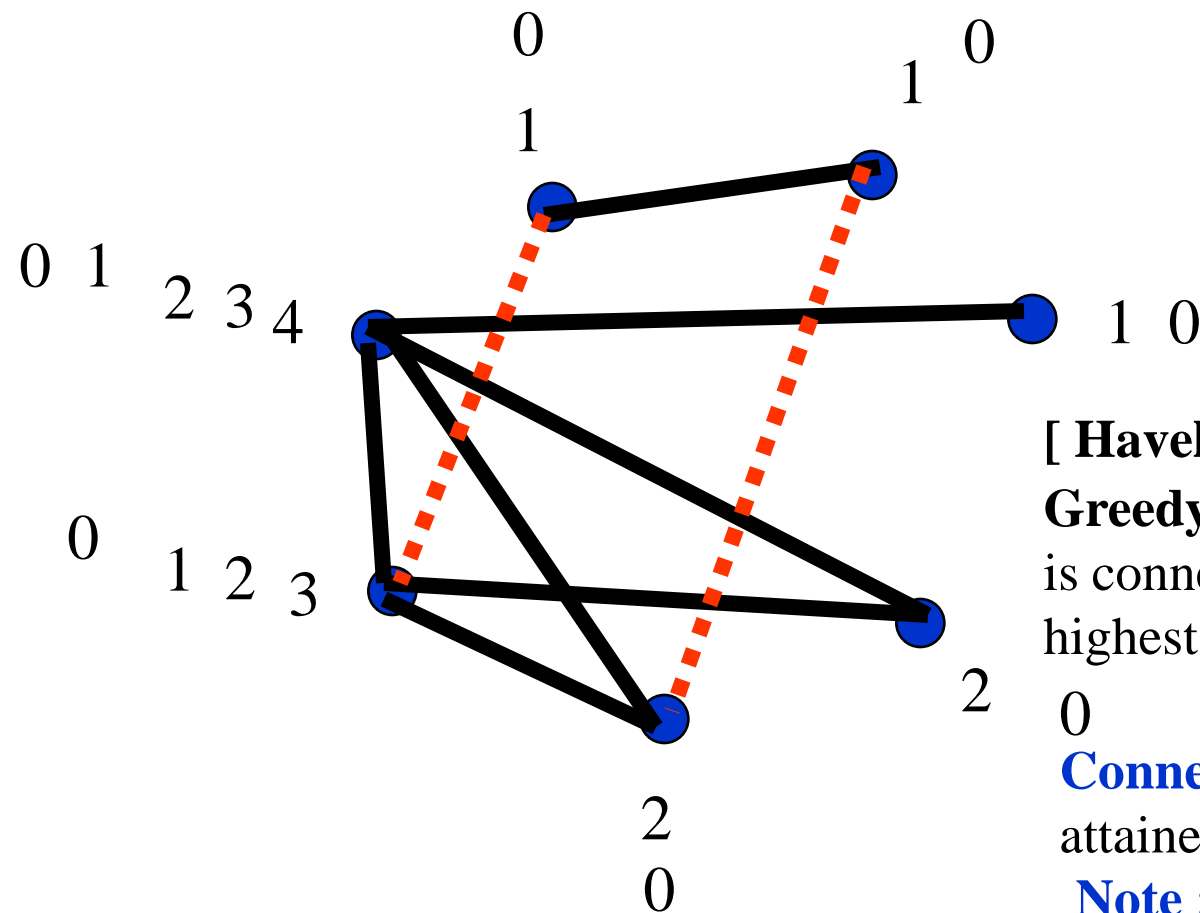
Theorem [Erdos-Gallai]:

A degree sequence $d_1 \geq d_2 \geq \dots \geq d_n$ is **realizable**

iff the natural **necessary condition** holds: $\sum_{i=1}^k d_i \leq k(k-1) + \sum_{i=k+1}^n \min\{k, d_i\}$

moreover, there is a **connected** realization $\sum_{i=1}^n d_i \geq 2(n-1)$

iff the natural **necessary condition** holds:



[Havel-Hakimi] Construction:

Greedy: any unsatisfied vertex is connected with the vertices of highest remaining degree requirements.

Connectivity, if possible, attained with **2-switches**.

Note :all 2-switches are legal .

Theorem, Joint Degree Matrix Realization [Amanatidis, Green, M '08]:

Let $V = [n]$. Then $\langle \mathbf{V}, \mathbf{d}, D \rangle$

has a graphic realization if and only if:

(i) Degree Feasibility holds :

$$2d_{ii} + \sum_{j \in [k], j \neq i} d_{ij} = |V_i| \cdot \mathbf{d}(V_i), \forall 1 \leq i \leq k.$$

(ii) Matrix Feasibility holds: D is symmetric

with nonnegative integral entries,

$$\text{and } d_{ij} \leq |V_i| \cdot |V_j|, \forall 1 \leq i < j \leq k,$$

$$\text{while } d_{ii} \leq |V_i| \cdot (|V_i| - 1)/2, \forall 1 \leq i \leq k.$$

Moreover, when $\langle \mathbf{V}, \mathbf{d}, D \rangle$ is realizable, there is a polynomial (in n) time algorithm that produces a graphic realization of $\langle \mathbf{V}, \mathbf{d}, D \rangle$.

Proof [sketch]:

Necessity is obvious.

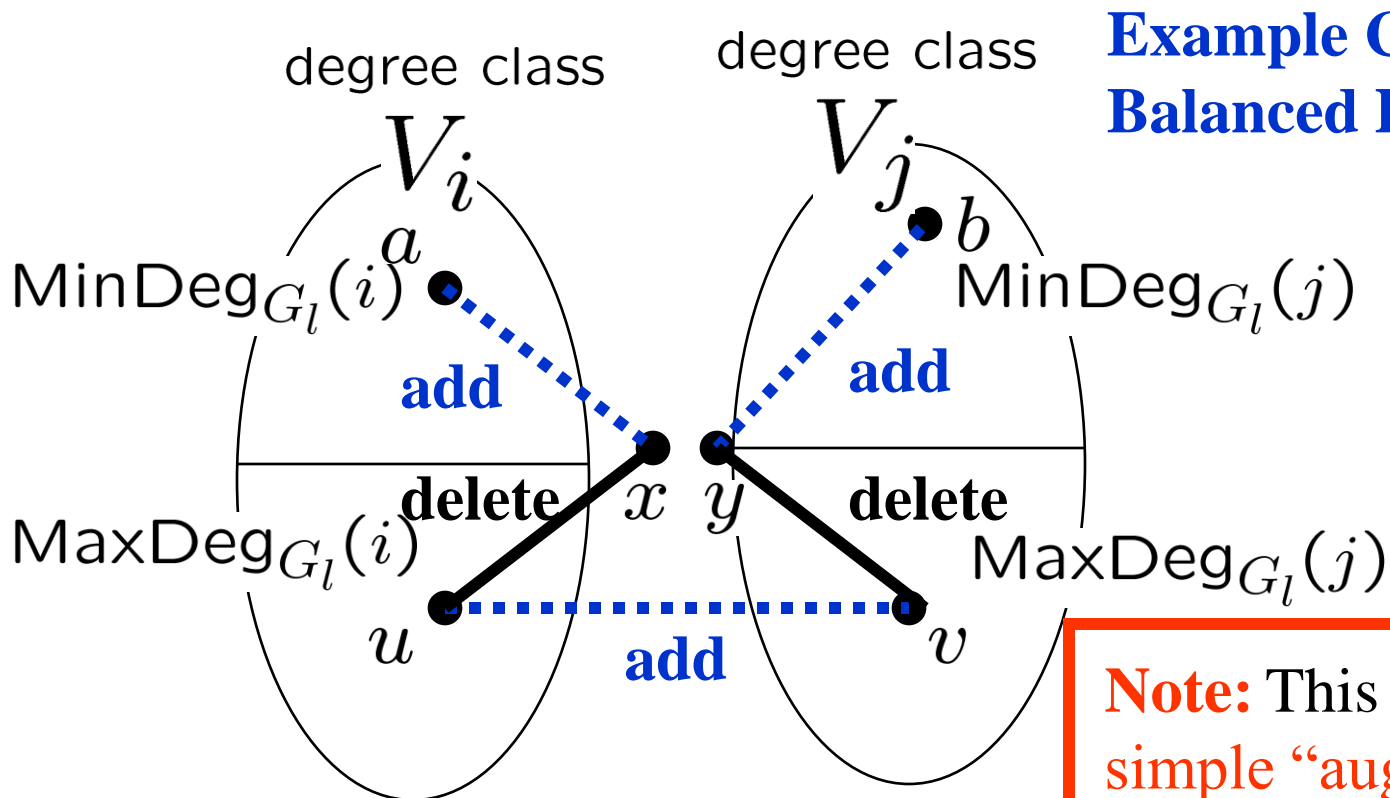
Sufficiency follows from the greedy polynomial time construction algorithm outlined next.

Balanced Degree Invariant:

The key idea of the algorithm is to maintain balanced degrees within each degree class.

In particular, where G_l is the graph after the l -th iteration, the algorithm maintains:

$$\max_{v \in V_i} \deg_{G_l}(v) - \min_{v \in V_i} \deg_{G_l}(v) \leq 1, \quad \forall 1 \leq i \leq k.$$



**Example Case Maintaining
Balanced Degree Invariant:**

Note: This may **NOT** be a simple “augmenting” path.

Theorem, Joint Degree Matrix Connected Realization

[Amanatidis, Green, M '08]:

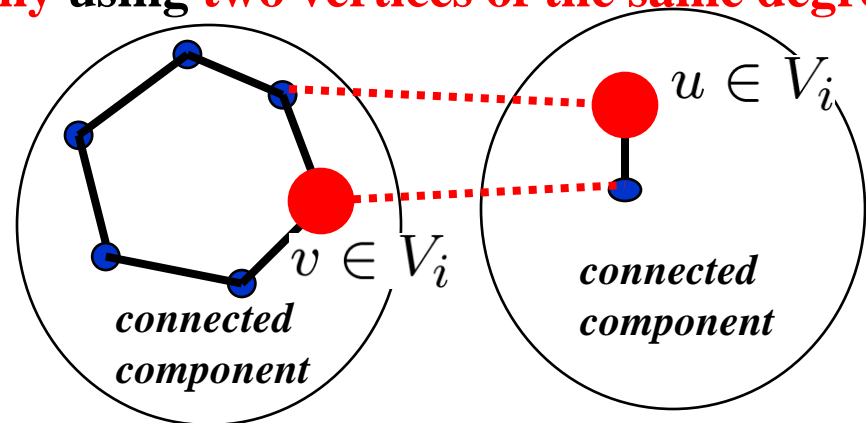
Let $V = [n]$. Let $\langle V, d, D \rangle$ be a realizable instance of the degree matrix realization problem. Then, there is a polynomial (in n) time algorithm that, either outputs a connected graphic realization of $\langle V, d, D \rangle$, or outputs a certificate that a connected graphic realization of $\langle V, d, D \rangle$ does not exist.

Proof [remarks]:

We do not know of a polynomially short description of necessary and sufficient conditions.

The algorithm explores vertices of the same degree in different components, in a **recursive manner**.

Main Difficulty: Two connected components are amenable to **wiring by 2-switches**, only using **two vertices of the same degree**.



Open Problems for Joint Degree Matrix Realization

- Construct **mincost** and/or **random** realization, or connected realization.
- Satisfy **constraints** between **arbitrary subsets of vertices**.
- Is there a **reduction to matchings** or flow or some other well understood combinatorial problem?
- Is there evidence of **hardness** ?
- Is there a simple **generative model** for graphs with **low assortativity** ? (explanatory or other ...)

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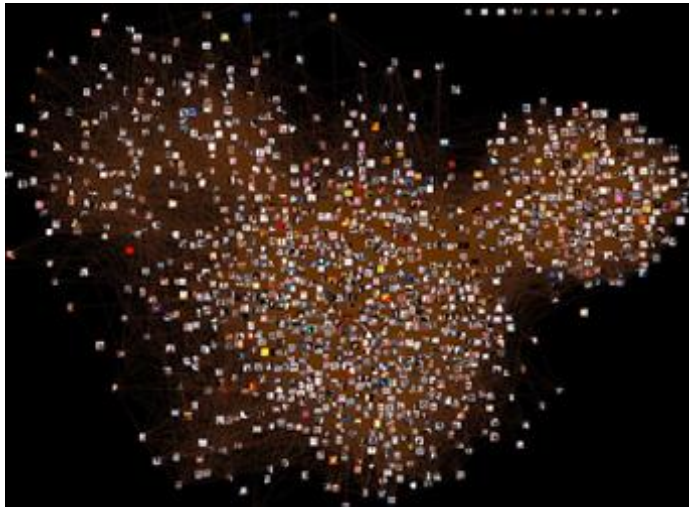
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Case 2: Semantic Flexible Model(s)

Generalizations of Erdos-Renyi random graphs



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- Models with semantics on nodes, and links among nodes with semantic proximity generated by very general probability distributions.
- Varying structural characteristics

■ **RANDOM DOT PRODUCT GRAPHS**
■ **KRONECKER GRAPHS**

Also densification, shrinking diameter, ... C. Faloutsos, MMDS08

RANDOM DOT PRODUCT GRAPHS

The Model $G_g^{\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle}(\mathbf{X}, n)$

Kratzl, Nickel, Scheinerman 05

Young, Scheinerman 07

Young, M 08

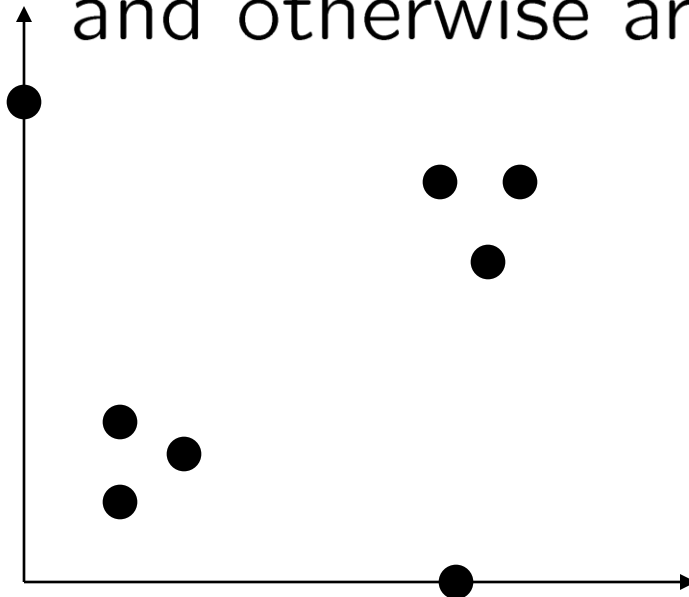
n vertices each generated according to \mathbf{X}

each vertex is a vector in d -dim space
one coordinate for each attribute

d is fixed

\mathbf{X} is a probability distribution in \mathbf{R}^d

\mathbf{X} is in the positive orthant $[0, 1/\sqrt{d}]$
and otherwise arbitrary



$d = 2$

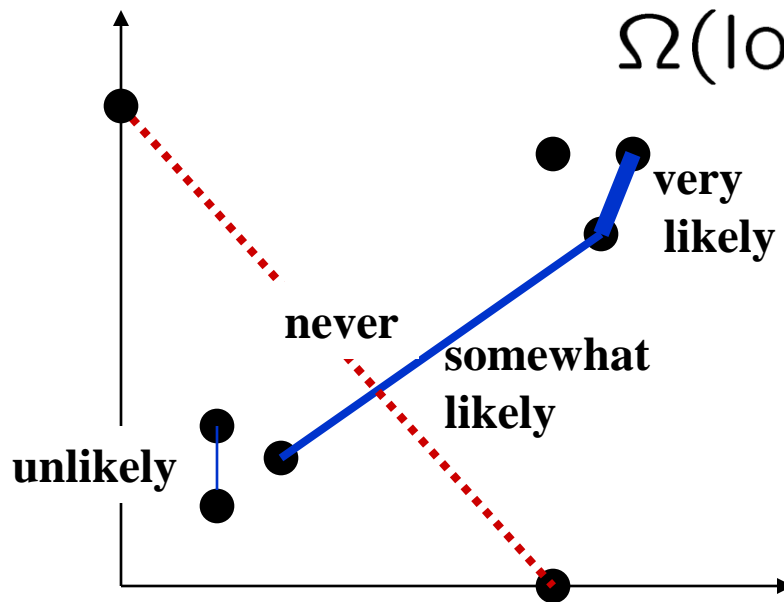
$n =$ very large
scales

The Model $G_g^{\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle}(\mathbf{X}, n)$

edges are added between two vertices
with probabilities proportional
to their inner product, denoting similarity,
and inversely proportional
to a non-decreasing "sparsification" function

$$g = g(n)$$

$$\Omega(\log n) \leq g(n) \leq O(n)$$



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SUMMARY OF RESULTS

- A semi-closed formula for degree distribution

Model can generate graphs with a wide variety of densities

average degrees $\Omega(\log n)$ up to $O(n)$.

and wide varieties of degree distributions, including power-laws.

- Diameter characterization :

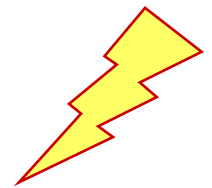
Determined by Erdos-Renyi for similar average density,

if all coordinates of \mathbf{X} are in $(0, 1/\sqrt{d})$ (will say more about this).

- Positive clustering coefficient,
depending on the “distance” of the generating distribution
from the uniform distribution.

Remark: Power-laws and the small world phenomenon
are the hallmark of complex networks.

A Semi-closed Formula for Degree Distribution



Let $\omega \in [0, 1]$ be a random variable distributed as $\left\langle \frac{\mathbb{E}[\mathbf{X}]}{\|\mathbb{E}[\mathbf{X}]\|}, \mathbf{X} \right\rangle$

Theorem [Young, M '08] For any valid \mathbf{X} on \mathbb{R}^d , $d \geq 1$, let v be a vertex in $G = G_g^{(\cdot, \cdot)}(\mathbf{X}, n)$, Let $0 < \delta, \epsilon < 1$ be such that $(1 + \delta)(1 - \epsilon) > 1$. Then,

$$\mathbb{P}(|\deg(v) - k| \leq \delta k) \leq \min \left\{ ((1 - \epsilon)e^\epsilon)^{(1-\delta)k} + ((1 + \epsilon)e^{-\epsilon})^{(1+\delta)k}, \frac{2(1 + \delta^2)n}{(g(n)\epsilon(1 - \delta^2)k)^2} \right\} + \int_{(1-\epsilon)(1-\delta)t_n^k}^{(1+\epsilon)(1+\delta)t_n^k} d\omega$$

$$\mathbb{P}(|\deg(v) - k| \leq \delta k) \geq \left(1 - \min \left\{ (2(1 + \epsilon)e^{-\epsilon})^{(1-\delta)k}, \frac{2n}{(g(n)\epsilon(1 - \delta)k)^2} \right\} \right) \int_{(1+\epsilon)(1-\delta)t_n^k}^{(1-\epsilon)(1+\delta)t_n^k} d\omega$$

$$t_n^k = \frac{g(n)k}{\|\mathbb{E}[\mathbf{X}]\|(n-1)}$$

Theorem (removing error terms) [Young, M '08]

$$\mathbb{P}(|\deg(v) - k| \leq \delta k) \simeq \int_{(1-\delta) \frac{g(n)k}{\|\mathbb{E}[\mathbf{X}]\|n}}^{(1+\delta) \frac{g(n)k}{\|\mathbb{E}[\mathbf{X}]\|n}} d\omega$$

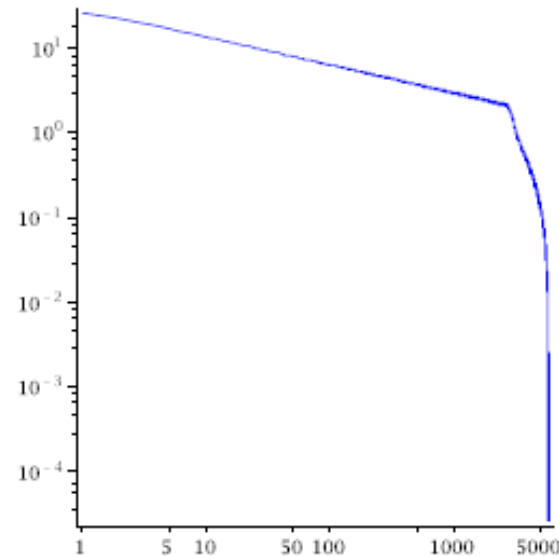
Example:

Consider the one dimensional random dot product graph
with distribution $\Pr(x \leq r) \leq r^{1/\alpha}$ $\alpha \geq 1$
and various densification functions.

for $\sqrt{\frac{n}{g(n)}} \leq k \leq \frac{(1+\alpha)(n-1)}{g(n)(1+\delta)}$: (a wide range of degrees,
except for very large degrees)

$$\mathbb{P}(|\deg(v) - k| \geq \delta k) \geq c_{n,\alpha} \left((1 + \delta)^{\frac{1}{\alpha}} - (1 - \delta)^{\frac{1}{\alpha}} \right) k^{\frac{1}{\alpha}-1}.$$

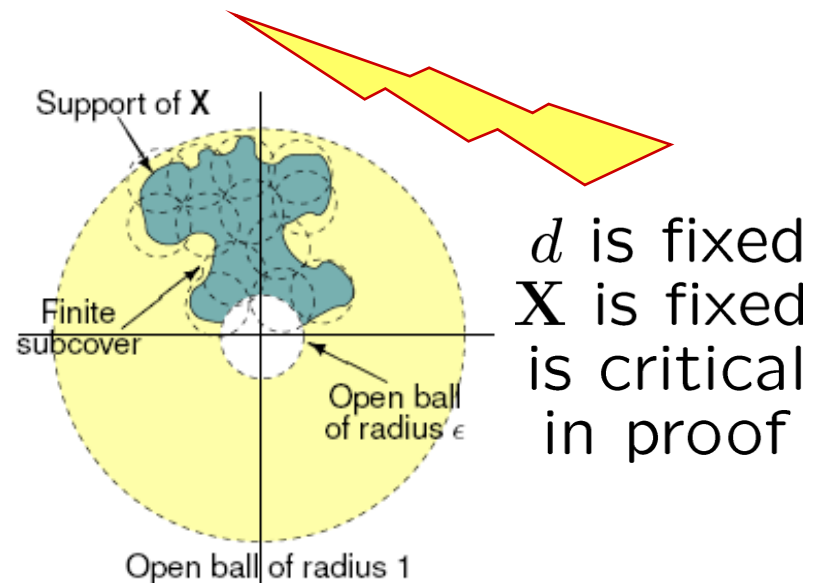
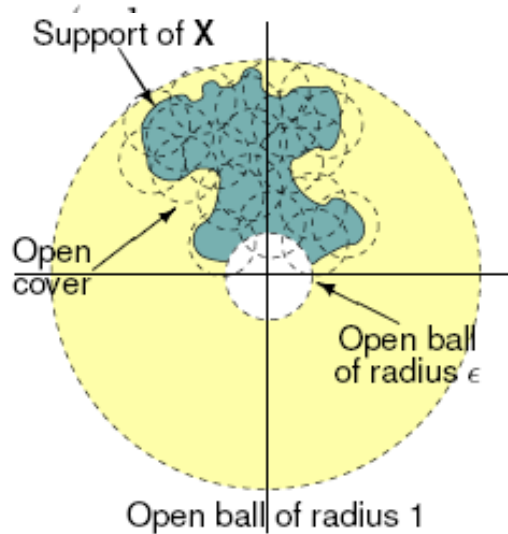
$$\Pr(\deg(v) \simeq k) \simeq k^{\frac{1}{\alpha}-2}$$



This is in agreement with real data.

Diameter Characterization

We have obtained a method of lifting results about the diameter of the Erdős-Rényí model to $G_g^{(\cdot, \cdot)}(\mathbf{X}, n)$. Specifically, using the boundedness of the support of \mathbf{X} , we can prove that if Erdős-Rényí model $\mathcal{G}\left(\Theta\left(\frac{1}{g(n)}\right), n\right)$ has low diameter, then the diameter of $G_g^{(\cdot, \cdot)}(\mathbf{X}, n)$ is not much bigger. For this result only, we assume that $\|\mathbf{X}\| \in (0, 1/\sqrt{d})$



d is fixed
 \mathbf{X} is fixed
 is critical
 in proof

Remark: If $\|\mathbf{X}\| \in [0, 1/\sqrt{d}]$ the graph can become disconnected

It is important to obtain **characterizations of connectivity** as

$\|\mathbf{X}\|$ approaches $[0, 1/\sqrt{d}]$. This would enhance model **flexibility**

Clustering Characterization

Theorem [Young, M '08] For vertices, u, v , and w in $G_g^{(\cdot, \cdot)}(\mathbf{X}, n)$,
 $\mathbb{P}(u \sim w \mid u \sim v, v \sim w) \geq \mathbb{P}(u \sim w)$, with equality holding if and only if
 $\mu_{\mathbf{X}}(\mathbb{E}[\mathbf{X}]) = 1$, that is \mathbf{X} is almost surely constant.

Remarks on the proof

Clustering depends on
the distance of $G_g^{(\cdot, \cdot)}(\mathbf{X}, n)$ from a standard Erdős-Rényi model.

Clustering depends on "size" of $\text{cov}(\mathbf{X})$.

$$\text{cov}(\mathbf{X}) = \mathbb{E}[\mathbf{X}\mathbf{X}^T] - \mathbb{E}[\mathbf{X}]\mathbb{E}[\mathbf{X}]^T$$

is symmetric positive semidefinite
may assume coordinates have covariance 0.



Open Problems for Random Dot Product Graphs

- Fit real data, and isolate “benchmark” distributions \mathbf{X} .
- Characterize connectivity (diameter and conductance) as \mathbf{X} approaches $[0, 1/\sqrt{d}]$.
- Do/which further properties of \mathbf{X} characterize further properties of $G_g^{(\cdot, \cdot)}(\mathbf{X}, n)$?
- Evolution: \mathbf{X} as a function of n ?
(including: two connected vertices with small similarity, either disconnect, or increase their similarity).
- Should/can $d = \log n$?
- Similarity functions beyond inner product (e.g. Kernel functions).
- Algorithms: navigability, information/virus propagation, etc.

KRONECKER GRAPHS [Faloutsos, Kleinberg, Leskovec 06]

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| 0 | 1 |
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1-bit
vertex
character-
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3-bit
vertex
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log n -bit vertex characterization

Another “semantic” “flexible” model, introducing parametrization.

STOCHASTIC KRONECKER GRAPHS

[Faloutsos, Kleinberg, Leskovec 06]

| | |
|---|---|
| a | b |
| b | c |

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|----|----|----|----|
| aa | ab | ba | bb |
| ab | ac | bb | bc |
| ba | bb | ca | cb |
| bb | bc | cd | cc |

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|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| aaa | aab | aba | abb | baa | bab | bba | bbb |
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| bbb | bbc | bcd | bcc | cbb | cbc | ccd | ccc |

$$0 \leq a, b, c \leq 1$$

Several properties characterized (e.g. multinomial degree distributions, densification, shrinking diameter, self-similarity).

Large scale data set have been fit efficiently !

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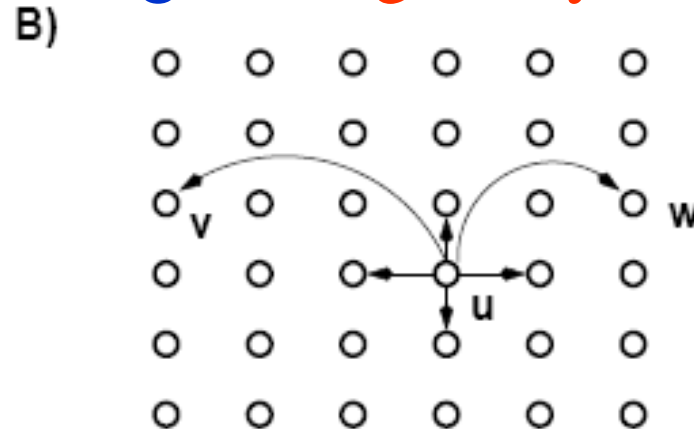
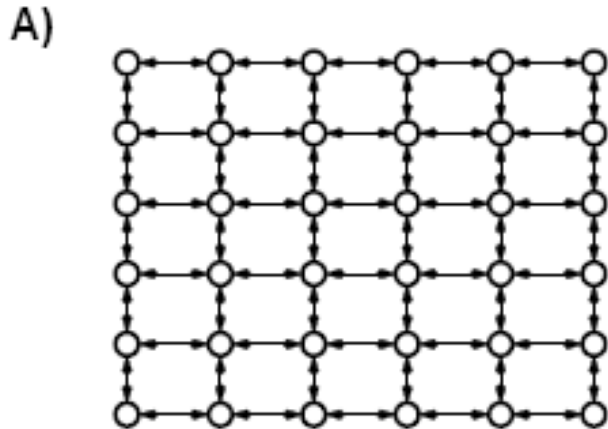
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Where it all started: Kleinberg's navigability model

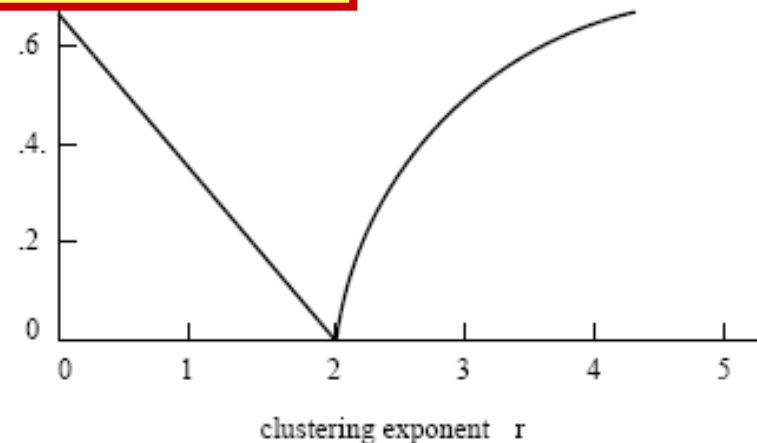


$$\Pr[\{u, v\}] \simeq \text{dist}(u, v)^{-r}$$

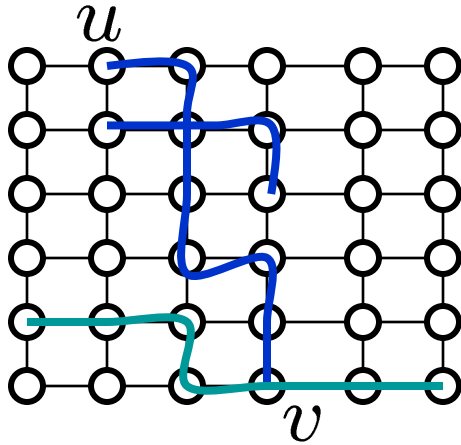
Moral: Parametrization is essential
in the study of complex networks

Theorem [Kleinberg]:
The **only value** for which
the network is **navigable**
is $r = 2$.

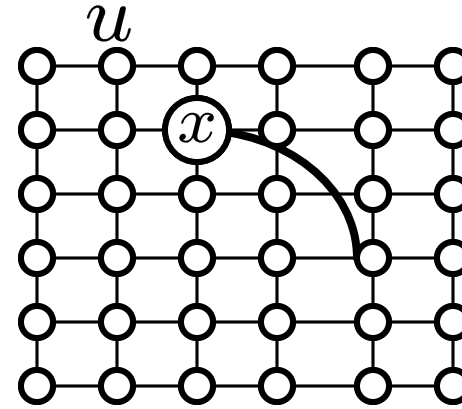
lower bound T
on delivery time
(given as $\log_n T$)



Strategic Network Formation Process [Sandberg 05]:



all pairs of vertices u and v
choose a random u - v shortest path



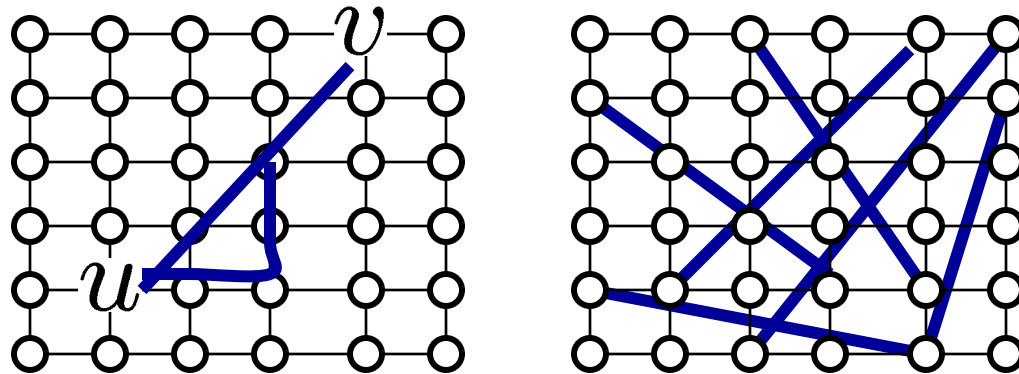
each node x computes :
for each node $u \neq x$
 $P(u)$ = paths through x
with endpoint u

each node x adds link to node u
with probability $\simeq P(u)$

Experimentally, the resulting network has structure and navigability similar to Kleinberg's small world network.

Strategic Network Formation Process [Green & M '08]

simplification of [Clauset & Moore 03]:



repeat

simeoultaneously

- ▶ each node u is presented a uniformly random node v
- ▶ u starts navigating to v
- ▶ if the navigation steps exceed L then u adds a link to v until no links are added

Experimentally, the resulting network becomes navigable after $\text{poly log } n$ steps but does not have structure similar to Kleinberg's small world network.

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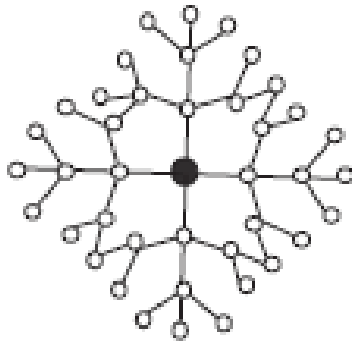
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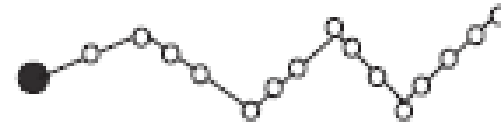
1. On the Power of Local Replication

How do networks **search** (propagate information) :

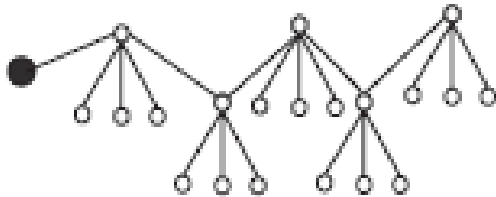
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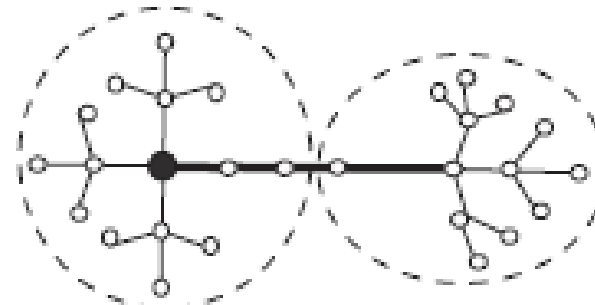
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B. Long random walk



D. Short random walk with local flooding



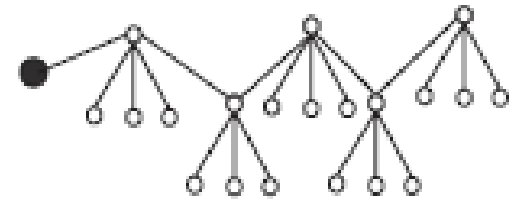
C. General search scheme (e.g. flooding with direction)

Cost = queried nodes / found information

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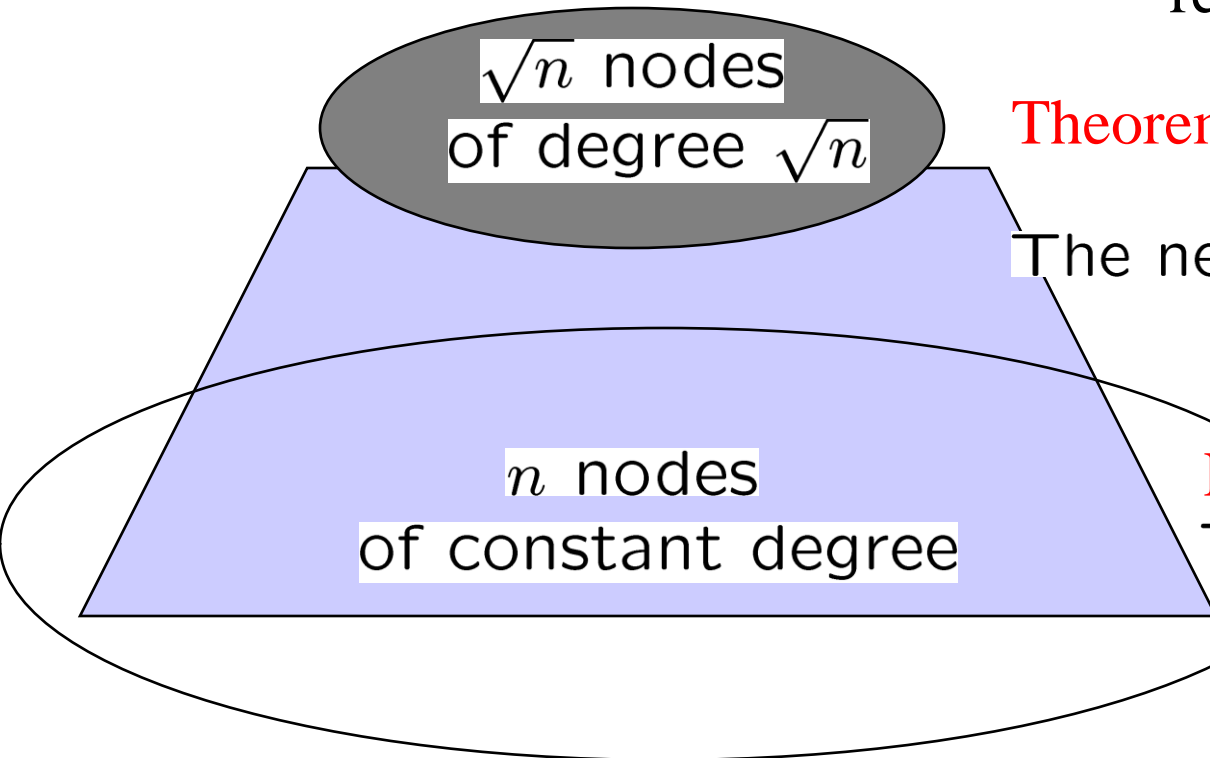
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[M, Saberi , Tetali '05]



D. Short random walk with local flooding

network= random graph Equivalent to one-step local replication of information.



Theorem (extends to power-law random graphs):

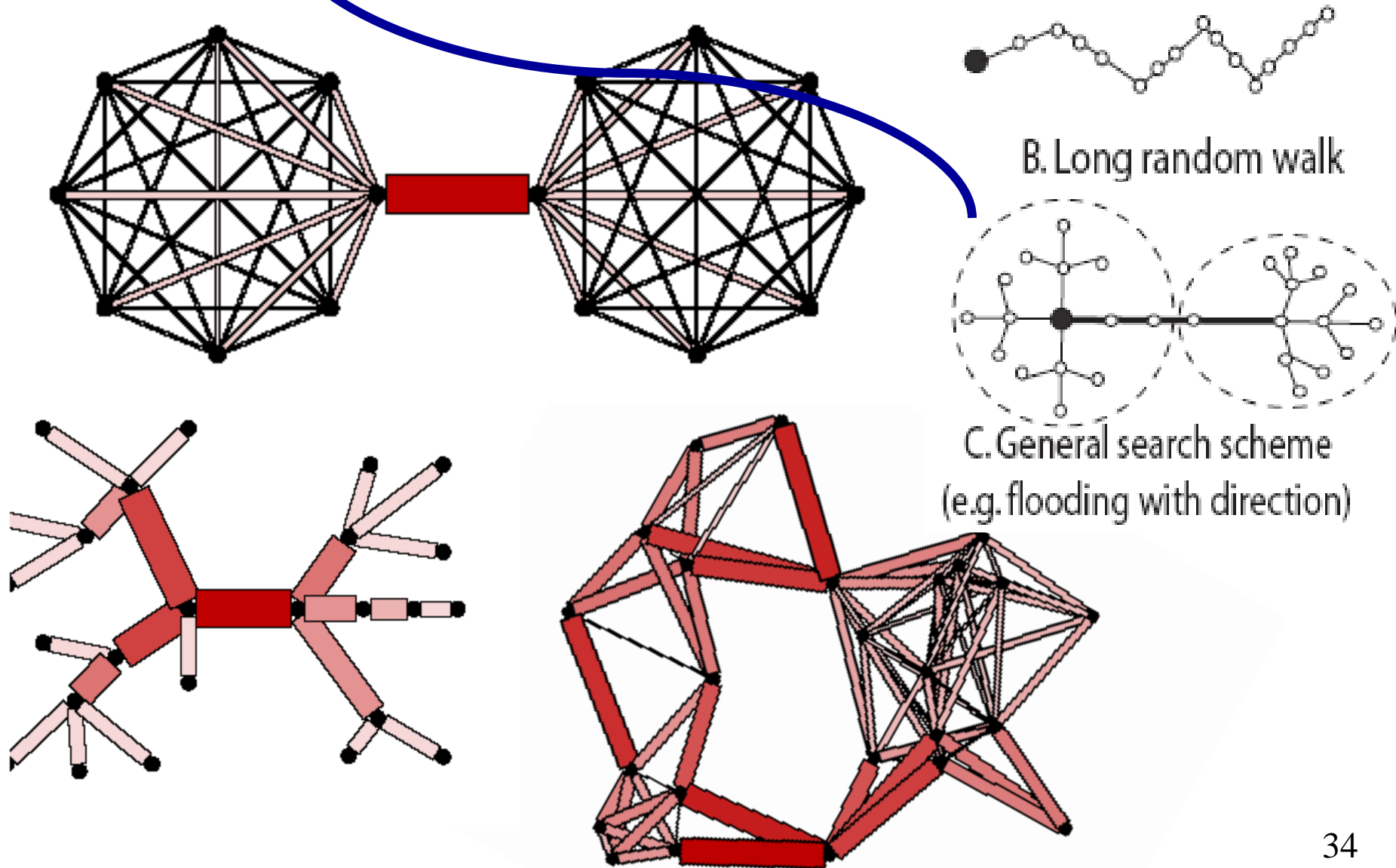
The network can be searched by RANDOM WALK in $\tilde{O}(\sqrt{n})$ steps.

Proof :

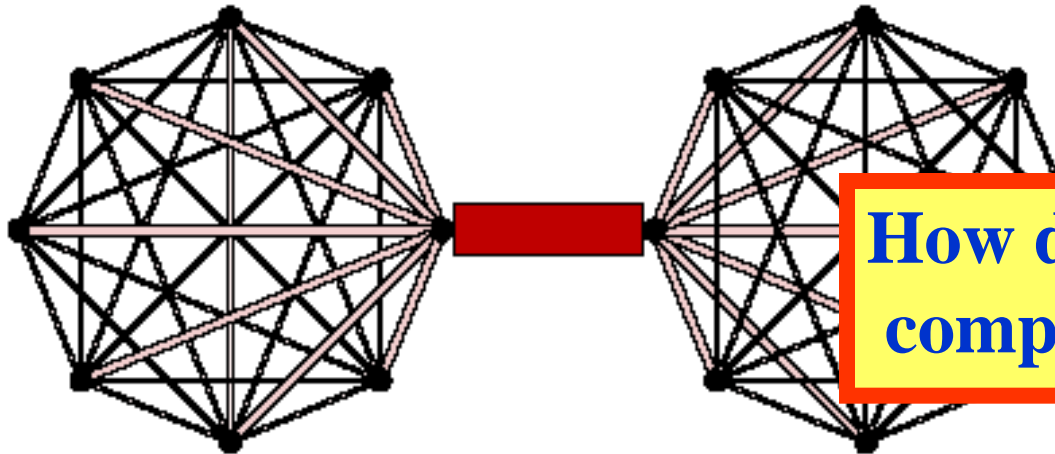
The cover time of a random graph on \sqrt{n} nodes.

notice: $O(n)$ nodes, $O(n)$ links

2. On the Power of Topology Awareness via **Link Criticality**



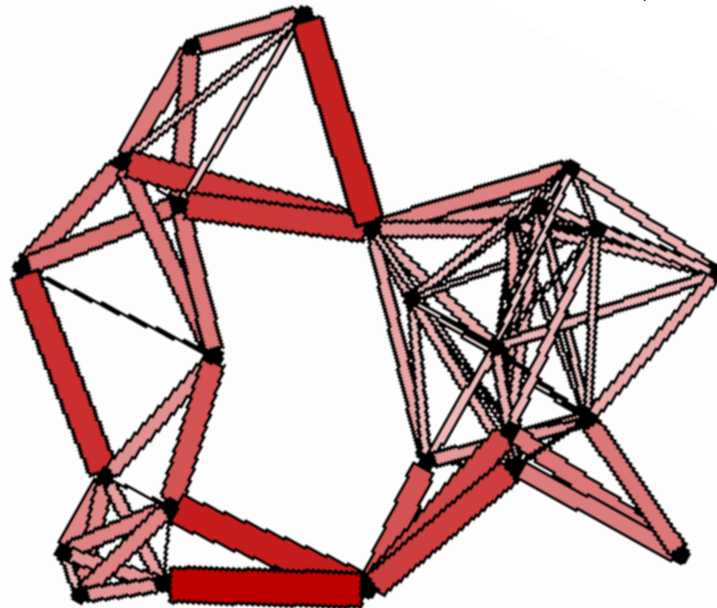
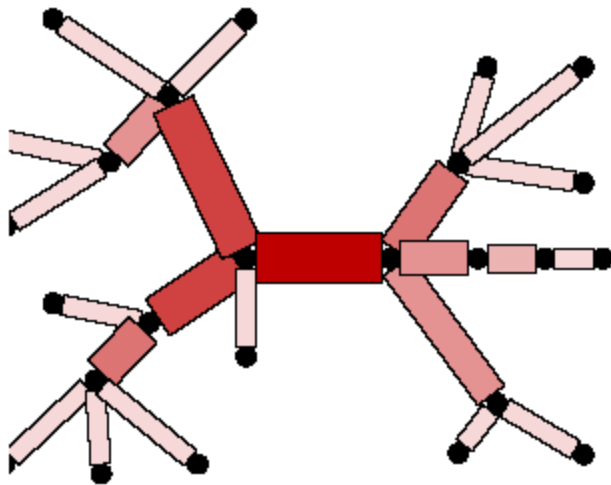
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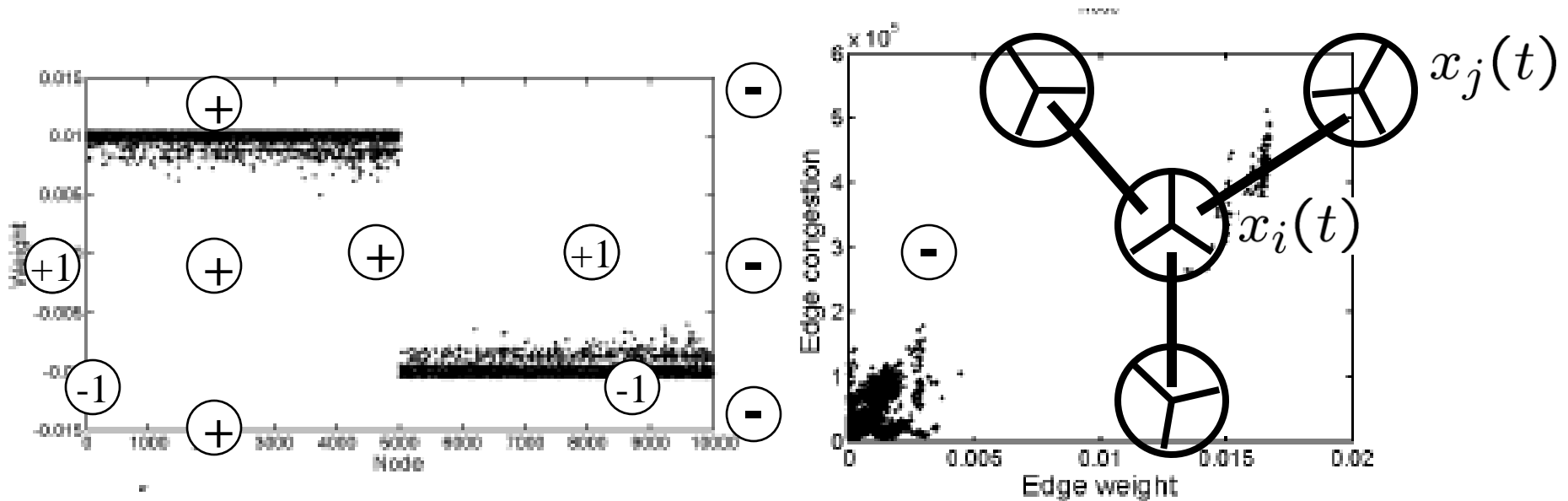
Via Semidefinite Programming
“Fastest Mixing Markov Chain”

**How do social networks
compute link criticality ?**

Chen, Frieze, and Karlin 00 (8)
Distributed, Asynchronous
Gkantsidis, Goel, Mihail, Saberi 07



Link Criticality via Distributed Asynchronous Computation of Principal Eigenvector(s) [Gkantsidis, Goel, M, Saberi 07]



Start with $(x_1, \dots, x_n) \perp (1, \dots, 1)$

Step: For all nodes asynchronously

$$x_i(t+1) = \frac{x_i(t) + \sum_{(i,j) \in \underline{L}} x_j(t)}{2d}$$

Hardest part: Numerical Stability.

Flexible (further parametrized) Models

1. Structural/Syntactic Flexible Models

2. Semantic Flexible Models

Models & Algorithms Connection : Kleinberg's Model(s) for Navigation

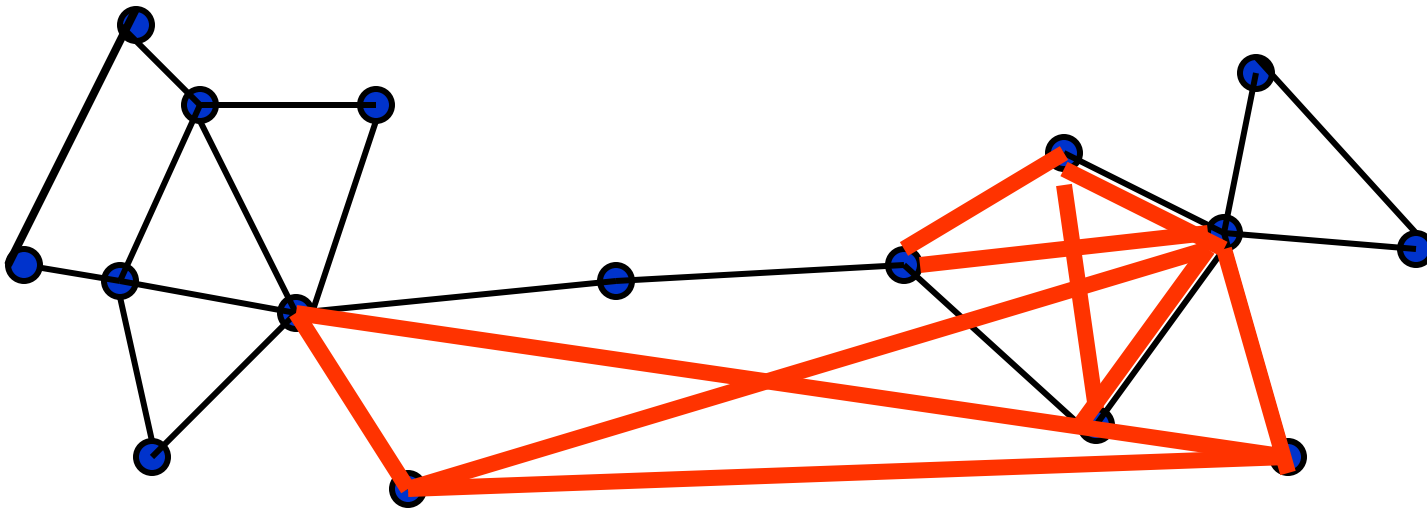
Distributed Searching Algorithms with Additional Local Info/Dynamics

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**Conclusion : Web N.0 Model & Algorithm characteristics:
further parametrization, typically local,
locality of info in algorithms & dynamics.
Dynamics become especially important.**

Topology Maintenance = Connectivity & Good Conductance



Theorem [Feder, Guetz, M, Saberi 06]: The Markov chain corresponding to a **local 2-link switch** is rapidly mixing if the degree sequence enforces diameter at least 3, and for some $d \leq n/2$, $\frac{d+1}{n-d}d \leq d_i \leq d$.