

# Random Models Of Complex Networks

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# Topics

## *Models*

- Mean Field Model –  $G_{n,p}$
- Fixed degree sequence and the Configuration Model
- Forbidden Substructure
- Stochastic Processes:
  - Preferential Attachment & Triangle-free Graph Process
- Brief Nod to Real World Networks

## *Structures*

- Clustering: Components, Conductance, Modularity, Cliques, Stable Sets, (Colouring)

## *Techniques*

- Concentration Inequalities
- Differential Equation Method
- Regularity Lemma
- Switching Arguments

# Connectivity & Component Size in $G_{n,p}$

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# Simple Observations

Letting  $Y$  be the (random) number of components of  $G$  whose size is between 1 and  $n/2$ .  $G$  is connected if and only if  $Y=0$ .

Letting  $Y_s$  be the number of components of size  $s$ ,  $Y = \sum_{s=1}^{\lfloor n/2 \rfloor} Y_s$

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**Observation:** For  $p = \frac{\log n}{n}$ ,  $\mathbf{E}(Y_1) = \Phi(1)$ ,  $\mathbf{E}(Y_2) = \Theta\left(\frac{\log n}{n}\right)$ , and

$$\mathbf{E}(Y_k) = o\left(\frac{1}{n}\right) \text{ for } 3 < k \leq \frac{n}{2}.$$

$$p = \frac{\log n}{n} + \frac{f(n)}{n}, f \rightarrow \infty, f(n) < \log n \Rightarrow \mathbf{E}(Y) = o(1). \text{ So } P(G_{n,p} \text{ connected}) = 1 - o(1)$$



# Expectation and Concentration of The Number of Isolated Vertices

$$Y_1 = |\{v \text{ s.t. } d(v)=0\}|$$

$$\mathbf{E}(Y_1) = n(1-p)^{n-1} \approx e^{pn - \log n}$$

This is  $\omega(1)$  when  $p = \frac{\log n - \omega(1)}{n}$

$$\mathbf{E}(Y_1^2) = n(1-p)^{n-1} + n(n-1)(1-p)^{2n-3}$$

$$\leq \mathbf{E}(Y_1) + (1-p)^{-1} \mathbf{E}(Y_1)^2$$

So for  $p = \frac{\log n - \omega(1)}{n}$

$$\mathbf{E}(Y_1^2) - \mathbf{E}(Y_1)^2 = o(\mathbf{E}(Y_1)^2) \text{ and}$$

$$\mathbf{P}(Y_1=0) \leq \mathbf{P}(|Y_1 - \mathbf{E}(Y_1)| \geq \mathbf{E}(Y_1)) = o(1)$$

Component Size in  $G_{n,p}$

The Components of  $G_{n,p}$  Are Usually  
**VERY BIG** or very small

# Expected Number of Components of Size $s$ in $G_{n,p}$

$\forall \varepsilon > 0 \exists A_\varepsilon, b_\varepsilon > 0$  s.t. (i) if  $p < (1-\varepsilon)/n$  or  $p > (1+\varepsilon)/n$  then a.s. no components of  $G_{n,p}$  have size between  $A_\varepsilon \log n$  and  $b_\varepsilon n$ .

When does  $G_{n,p}$  Have A  
LARGE COMPONENT?

$|\frac{p}{n}-1| > \varepsilon$  for some positive  $\varepsilon$ .

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Setting  $\epsilon' = \min(\frac{1}{4}, \epsilon)$ ,  $t' = \frac{\epsilon' n}{4}$  &  $n'' = (1 - \frac{\epsilon'}{2})nt'$ ,

and terminating if  $|O_i| > \frac{\epsilon' n}{4}$

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# Random Graphs on a Fixed Degree Sequence & The Configuration Model

# Configuration Model on $\mathcal{D}=\{d_1,\dots,d_n\}$

$$C_i = \{v_i^1, v_i^2, \dots, v_i^{d_i}\}$$

Take a random matching  $M_{\mathcal{D}}$  on  $\bigcup_{i=1}^n C_i$

Create  $H(\mathcal{D})$ : The number of edges between  $v_i$  and  $v_j$  is the number of edges of  $M_{\mathcal{D}}$  between  $C_i$  and  $C_j$ .

The number of loops on  $v_i$  is the number of edges of  $M_{\mathcal{D}}$  within  $C_i$ .

If each  $d_i > 0$  and  $\sum_{i=1}^n d_i^2 \leq Bn$  then the expected number of loops and multiple edges in  $H(\mathcal{D})$  is at most  $B^2+B$

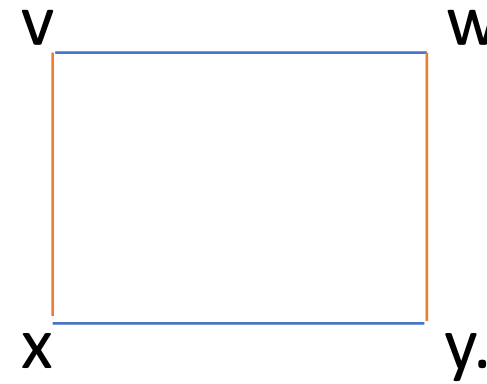
So the probability there are more than  $2B^2+2B$  loops and multiple edges is at most  $\frac{1}{2}$ .

# A Switching Argument

**Lemma:** If  $\mathcal{A}$  and  $\mathcal{B}$  are families of (multi)graphs such that there are at least  $\delta$  switches from each graph in  $\mathcal{A}$  which result in a graph in  $\mathcal{B}$  and at most  $\Delta$  switches from each graph in  $\mathcal{B}$  resulting in a graph in  $\mathcal{A}$  then

$$\frac{\delta}{\Delta} |\mathcal{A}| \leq |\mathcal{B}|$$

**Switch** Delete  $\{vw, xy\}$  add  $\{vx, wy\}$ .



# Lower Bounding

## The Probability A Random $d$ -Regular Multigraph Is Loopless

Let  $\mathcal{D}=\{d,d,d...,d\}$

Let  $A_i$  be the set of matchings  $M$   
s.t. if  $\mathcal{M}_{\mathcal{D}} = M$  then  $\mathcal{H}_{\mathcal{D}}$  has  $i$  loops

$$\sum_{i=0}^{2d} \mathbf{P}(H_{\mathcal{D}} \text{ in } A_i) > \frac{1}{2}.$$

By our switching argument:

$$|A_{i-1}| \geq \frac{i(dn-d^2)}{\binom{d}{2}_n} |A_i|$$

Hence, for large  $n$ ,

$\forall j$  with  $1 \leq j \leq 2d$ :

$$|A_0| > \frac{|A_j|}{d^j}$$

So

$$\mathbf{P}(H_{\mathcal{D}} \text{ has 0 loops}) > \frac{\mathbf{P}(H_{\mathcal{D}} \text{ has } j \text{ loops})}{d^{2d}}$$

$$\text{So, } \mathbf{P}(H_{\mathcal{D}} \text{ has 0 loops}) > \frac{1}{2(2d+1)d^{2d}}$$

# Bounding The Probability A Uniformly Random 2-factor has a cycle of length $> \varepsilon n$

$A_i$  2-factors with  $i$  cycles of length between  $\frac{\varepsilon n}{3}$  and  $\varepsilon n$  and at least one cycle of length exceeding  $\varepsilon n$ .

$B_i$  number of 2-factors with  $i$  cycles of length between  $\frac{\varepsilon n}{3}$  and  $\varepsilon n$  and no cycle of length exceeding  $\varepsilon n$ .

By a switching argument:

$$|A_i| \leq \frac{n^2}{\varepsilon^2 n^2 / 8} (|A_{i+1}| + |B_{i+1}|)$$

Since  $|A_i| = 0$  for  $i > \frac{\varepsilon}{3}$  This gives an upper bound on  $\mathbf{P}(\bigcup_i A_i)$

Expected number of cycles of length exceeding  $\varepsilon n$  =

$$\sum_{i=\lceil \varepsilon n \rceil}^n \frac{n!}{2^i ((n-i)!) } \left( \frac{2^{i-1}}{\prod_{j=1}^i (2n-2j+1)} \right)$$

Which exceeds  $\sum_{i=\lceil \varepsilon n \rceil}^n \frac{1}{4^i} \approx \ln(1/\varepsilon)/4$

Gives lower bound of  $\varepsilon \ln(1/\varepsilon)/4$