# A glimpse of Network Science Structure and Dynamic

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# Networks/Graphs



### Networked data

Biological networks Ecological networks (Epidemic) Contact networks

Social networks Urban networks Financial network







# Random graph theory to network theory

Random graph theory, extensive study on Erdös-Renyi graph

- ER network: G(N, p) or G(N, m)
- Poisson degree distribution,  $\langle k \rangle = \sigma^2$
- Robustness

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**Real network?** 

- Very robust (WWW)
- Huge fluctuation of degrees (scalefree)
- Power-law degree distribution  $(2 < \gamma < 3)$

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### Network structure

How to characterise the network structure?

Size: number of nodes/links

Degree: Max, min, average, distribution etc

Diameter: small world?

Centrality: How important is a node? Many measures Correlation: Preference of connection (High degree-low degree or high degree-high degree?) Modularity: are there communities that are more densely connected?

Higher-order interaction: Co-authorship as an example Multilayer structure: Transport network between cities Pre-requisite of functioning of the network: macroscopic connectivity

Dynamical processes taking place on the network

Diffusion (transportation) Spreading of virus (Epidemiology) Synchronisation (brain network, power system)

Social processes (political opinion, innovation)







### Network structure and network function

The interplay between network structure and network function?

What type of network is more risky in a pandemic?
Which node (individual) is more risky in a epidemic spreading process?
How long it takes to diffuse?
The robustness of a network under random/targeted attack?
What is the character of an epidemic outbreak on a network? Gradual/Abrupt?

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### Network robustness

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Imagine a network is experiencing random failure on nodes/links

Internet: servers are failed/connection between servers breaks down Transport network: Road is blocked/Airport is closed

Can this network remain functioning?

A network is more robust if it remains functioning at a higher level of random failure

A network is functioning if it is "largely" connected. The size of largest connected part is comparable to the entire network.

### Percolation on (sparse) networks

Percolation theory: evaluate the robustness of a network against random failure



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### Percolation (on lattices)



- 2-dimensional lattice
- Links are occupied (connected) with probability *p*

### Percolation on networks

#### Mathematically,

- Nodes/Links are removed with probability q = 1 p
- *R*: fraction of nodes in the giant component  $R = \lim_{N \to \infty} \frac{N_{GC}}{N}$

#### Non-percolating phase



- Phase transition: Percolating phase and non-percolating phase
- Nodes in the giant components are regarded functioning

# Percolation and Epidemic spreading

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### Link percolation on Poisson network

$$S = \sum_{k} \frac{kP(k)}{\langle k \rangle} \left[ 1 - (1 - pS)^{k-1} \right] = 1 - G_1(1 - pS)$$

$$R = \sum_{k} P(k) \left[ 1 - \left( 1 - pS \right)^{k} \right] = 1 - G_{0}(1 - pS)$$

**Poisson network:**  $P(k) = \frac{\lambda^k e^{-\lambda}}{k!}$   $S = 1 - G_1(1 - pS) = 1 - e^{-\lambda pS}$ **Critical condition** 

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}S} S \Big|_{S=0} = \frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}S} (1 - e^{-\lambda p_c S}) \Big|_{S=0}$$
$$p_c = 1/\lambda = 1/\langle k \rangle$$



• The phase transition is continuous

### Characterisation of the phase transition

**Critical point**  $p = p_c$ 

**Critical exponent** 

Order parameter *R* 

$$R - R_c \sim (p - p_c)^{\beta}$$

Average (finite) cluster size  $\langle s \rangle$ 

$$\langle s \rangle \sim p - p_c^{-\gamma}$$

Correlation length  $\xi$  (mean distance between nodes in the same cluster)

$$\langle \xi \rangle \sim p - p_c^{-\nu}$$

Size distribution

$$n_s \sim s^{-\tau} e^{-s/s^*}$$



 $\beta = 1/2$  Discontinuous hybrid transition

$$\beta = \frac{1}{3 - \alpha}$$
 Power-law degree distribution  $2 < \alpha < 3$   
$$\beta = \frac{1}{\alpha - 3}$$
 Power-law degree distribution  $3 < \alpha < 4$ 

### Current research on percolation

The research of percolation today?

**Percolation on Multilayer networks** 

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**Percolation on Higher-order networks** 

K-core percolation Explosive percolation Weak percolation Homological percolation Dorogovtsev et al, PRL, 2006 Achlioptas et al, Science, 2009 Baxter et al, PRE, 2014 Bobrowski et al, PRE, 2020

### Multilayer Networks



- General multilayer network
- Multiplex network
- Multi-slice network
- Network of network





Aggregation of multi Layered Graph of public Transport



### Percolation on multilayer networks



- Multiplex networks: replica nodes
- Interdependent (node) percolation: A node is active if it is in the giant component in all layers
- Cascading failure: failure of a node in one layer will cause the failure in other layers
- Discontinuous phase transition

#### **Beyond pairwise interactions**







Hypergraphs

Simplicial complexes

Network with triadic interactions

# Percolation on higher-order networks



- Discontinuous hybrid transitions
- Multiple transitions
- Bi-stability (epidemic spreading)
- Orbit diagram
- Unusual critical component (on networks with hierarchical structures)

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