Explosive percolation in random graphs



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Networks are ubiquitous:

Networks:



Transportation Networks/ Power grid

collection networks)



Biological networks

- protein interaction
- genetic regulation
- drug design

Computer networks



(distribution/

Social networks

- Immunology
- Information
- Commerce

A collection of interacting networks

Modeling networks as random graphs

- Erdős and Rényi random graphs (1959, 1960). Phase transition.
- Configuration models (Bollobas 1980, Molloy and Reed *RSA* 1995). Enumerating over all networks with specified $\{p_i\}$.



- Preferential attachment (de Sola Price 1976, Barbási-Albert Science 1999, etc). Equilibrium model.
- Growth by copying (Kumar, Raghavan, Rajagopalan, Sivakumar, Tomkins, Upfal FOCS 2000), including duplication/mutation (Vazquez, Flammini, Maritan, Vespignani, ComPlexUs 2003)
- Many more . . .

Building a random instance of a network

- P. Erdős and A. Rényi, "On random graphs", Publ. Math. Debrecen. 1959.
- P. Erdős and A. Rényi, "On the evolution of random graphs", *Publ. Math. Inst. Hungar. Acad. Sci.* 1960.
- E. N. Gilbert, "Random graphs", Annals of Mathematical Statistics, 1959.

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- \bullet Start with N isolated vertices.
- Add random edges one-at-a-time. E = N(N-1)/2 total edges possible.
- After \mathcal{E} edges, probability p of any edge is $p = \mathcal{E}/E = 2\mathcal{E}/N(N-1)$

What does the resulting graph look like?

(Typical member of the ensemble)

N=300



$$p = 1/400 = 0.0025$$



p = 1/200 = 0.005

Emergence of a "giant component"



Branching process (Galton-Watson); "tree"-like at $t_c = 1$.

Phase transitions

Abrupt change in fundamental property of a system in response to slight change in controlling variable



- $T < T_c$, **discontinuous jump** in thermodynamic quantity (*e.g.*, Volume, V)
- $T = T_c$, continuous change in V, but derivatives $\left(e.g., \frac{\partial V}{\partial P}\right)$ diverge.
- (For $T > T_c$, "supercritical fluid" state)

Universality classes I

Discontinuous – "first order"

- Phase coexistence / Latent heat
- Finite length scales



Universality classes II: Continuous – "second order" Scaling behaviors

- Diverging correlation lengths and response functions.
- Heat capacity: $C_v = \frac{\partial E}{\partial T}\Big|_v \sim |T T_c|^{-\alpha}$
- Isothermal compressibility: $\kappa_T = -\frac{1}{V} \frac{\partial V}{\partial P} \Big|_T \sim |T T_c|^{-\gamma}$
- Magnetic susceptibility: $\chi = \frac{\partial m}{\partial h} \sim |T T_c|^{-\gamma}$

"Mean field" Ising and van der Waals gas $\rightarrow \gamma = 1$.

(Thermodynamic properties depend only on a small number of features – dimensionality, symmetry – insensitive to underlying microscopic properties)

Erdős-Rényi – second order phase transition

- t < 1, $C_{\max} \sim O(\ln n)$
- t = 1, $C_{\max} = n^{2/3}$
- t > 1, $C_{\max} \sim An$, with A > 1
- The critical window Bollobás, Trans. Amer. Math. Soc., 286 (1984).
 Luczak, Random Structures and Algorithms, 1 (1990).



• Mean field critical exponents e.g., Grimmett, *Percolation*. 2nd Edition. Springer-Verlag. 1999.

$$\chi \sim (t_c - t)^{-\gamma}$$
, with $\gamma = 1$.

where χ is the expected size of the component to which an arbitrarily chosen vertex belongs.



Erdős Rényi random graph: A continuous phase transition



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 $(\epsilon = 0.0005)$

Connectivity – good or bad?

• Communications, Transportation, Synchronization, ...

versus

• Spread of human or computer viruses



Can any limited perturbation change the phase transition?

[Bohman, Frieze, *RSA* **19**, 2001] [Achlioptas, D'Souza, Spencer, 2009]

- Possible to Enhance or Delay the onset?
- The "Product Rule"
 - Choose two edges at random each step.
 - Add only the desirable edge and discard the other.



• The Power of Two Choices

Azar; Broder; Mitzenmacher; Upfal; Karlin;

ProdRule: Explicit example



- **Prod** $e_1 = (7) \times (2) = 14$
- **Prod** $e_2 = (4) \times (4) = 16$
- To enhance choose e_2 . To delay choose e_1 .

Product Rule



Delayed Product Rule: Discontinuous change

 $\epsilon = 0.0005$



The window Δ from $n^{1/2}$ to 0.5n

- Let e_0 denote the last edge added for which $C_{max} < n^{1/2}$. (Recall ER has $n^{2/3}$ at p_c .)
- Let e_1 denote the first edge added for which $C_{max} > 0.5n$.





PR From $n^{1/2}$ to 0.5n in number of edges that is sublinear in n.

Bounding t_c , where t = e/n(Note, for ER, $t_c = 1/2$)

- For $t < t_c$, $C_{\max} < n^{1/2}$.
- For $t > t_c, C_{\max} > 0.5n$.



Jumps "instantaneously" from $C_{\text{max}} = n^{1/2}$ to 0.5n.

"Explosive Percolation in Random Networks"

From n^{γ} to greater than 0.6n "instantaneously"

 C_{\max} jumps from sublinear n^{γ} to $\geq 0.5n$ in n^{β} edges, with $\beta,\gamma<1$.



Nontrivial Scaling behaviors $\gamma + 1.2\beta = 1.3$ for $A \in [0.1, 0.6]$



Achlioptas, D'Souza, Spencer, Science, 323 (5920), 2009

A Hybrid Transition! Diverging correlation length, I

The second largest component, C_2

$$C_2 \sim (t_c - t)^{-\gamma}$$
, with $\gamma \approx 1.15$

(No simple corrections to scaling yield mean field $\gamma = 1$)



Product Rule: Diverging correlation length, II

 "Susceptibility", the expected size of the component to which an arbitrarily chosen vertex belongs,

$$\chi = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{v \in V(G)} |C(v)| = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{components} |C_i|^2.$$

 $\chi \sim (t_c - t)^{-\gamma}$, with $\gamma \approx 1.17$



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Explosive percolation now observed in ...

• R. Ziff, *Phys. Rev. Lett.* 103, 045701 (2009).

"Explosive Growth in Biased Dynamic Percolation on Two-Dimensional Regular Lattice Networks"

- Y. S. Cho, J. S. Kim, J. Park, B. Kahng, D. Kim, *Phys. Rev. Lett.* 103, 135702 (2009). "Percolation Transitions in Scale-Free Networks under the Achlioptas Process" (Chung-Lu weighted node power law growth model)
 - $p_c > 0$ for $\gamma > 2.3$ or 2.4 and discontinuous.
- F. Radicchi, S. Fortunato *Phys. Rev. Lett.* 103, 168701 (2009). "Explosive percolation in scale-free networks" (Configuration model power law)
 - $p_c > 0$ for $\gamma > 2.2$, discontinuous for $\gamma > 3$.
- E. J. Friedman, A. S. Landsberg *Phys. Rev. Let.* 103, 255701 (2009). "Construction and Analysis of Random Networks with Explosive Percolation"
- Y.S. Cho, B. Kahng, D. Kim; *Phys. Rev. E* (R), 2010. "Cluster aggregation model for discontinuous percolation transition"
- Rozenfeld, Gallos, Makse; arxiv:0911.4082
 "Explosive Percolation in the Human Protein Homology Network"

Beyond "Product Rule"

- "Sum rule" also works, but delay is smaller.
- In general any rule that keeps components similar in size in subcritical regime should be explosive:
 - "Powder Keg" of Friedman and Landsberg PRL (2009).
 - Starting ER from proper initial state; Cho, Khang, Kim PRE (2010).





Rank

Rigorous techniques only for bounded size (thus far)

- Bounded size rules (treat all components of size $\geq K$ as the same)
- Assume cluster aggregation models (two distinct clusters merged with each edge addition).
- "Birth Control for Giants",
 - J. Spencer, N. Wormald, *Combinatorica* **27**(5), 2007 :
 - Differential equation for evolution
 (rigorous proof that error term is small in subcritical regime)
 - Conjecture that all bounded size rules have continuous PT's

Local Cluster Aggregation Models with Explosive Percolation

(R.D. and M. Mitzenmacher, Phys. Rev. Lett., in press.)



• "Adjacent Edge (AE)" – 2 candidate edges share a common vertex.

• "Triangle Rule" (TR) – choose 3 vertices at random, 3 candidate edges.

Locality: more physical and simplifies analytic treatment

Adjacent Edge Rule (3 components)



VS

Product Rule (4 components)



(TR also depends only on 3 components)

Evolution equations for the bounded size AE rule:

• Let x_i denote fraction of nodes in components of size i, for $1 \le i \le K$.

• Let
$$S_i = \sum_{j=i}^{\infty} x_j$$

(the weight in the tail starting at size i
 $(S_{K+1} = 1 - \sum_{j=1}^{K} x_j$ is useful)



- Probability first node is in component of size i is x_i .
- Probability the smaller of the two additional components has size j is $S_j^2 S_{j+1}^2$.
- Expected evolution of x_i 's:

$$\frac{dx_i}{dt} = -ix_i - i(S_i^2 - S_{i+1}^2) + i\sum_{j+k=i} x_j(S_k^2 - S_{k+1}^2)$$

"Susceptibility": $W = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} i x_i = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} i^2 n_i$

(Expected size of component to which arbitrary vertex belongs)

The evolution of W:

$$\frac{dW}{dt} = \sum_{j=1}^{K} \sum_{k=1}^{K} 2jkx_j(s_k^2 - s_{k+1}^2) + \sum_{j=1}^{K} 2jW^*x_js_{K+1} + \sum_{k=1}^{K} 2kW^*(s_k^2 - s_{k+1}^2) + 2(W^*)^2s_{K+1}.$$

- Where $W^* = W \sum_{i=1}^{K} ix_i$ (contributions from comps of size greater than *K*).
- $W \rightarrow \infty$ at the phase transition. Simple Euler's method numerics yields $t_c = 0.796$ (with K = 600).

Direct simulation of the AE graph evolution process



AE with γ =0.5, A=0.2

• Find agreement to three digits, $t_c = 0.796$.

• Δ sublinear in n, where t_0 is last time $C_1 \leq n^{\gamma}$, and t_1 first time $C_1 \geq An$. (Denote this by $\Delta(\gamma, A)$)

(For AE $\Delta(0.5, 0.2)$ sublinear. For PR $\Delta(0.5, 0.6)$ sublinear.)

AE, PR, TR are Hybrid Transitions! (Discontinuous change, but scaling behavior)

- Component density $n_i \sim i^{-\tau}$
- $W \sim |t t_c|^{-\alpha}$
- $C_2 \sim |t t_c|^{-\mu}$



	PR	AE	TR
t_c	0.888	0.796	0.848
τ	2.1	2.1	2.1
α	1.17	1.13	1.13
$\mid \mu \mid$	1.17	1.13	1.13

Other Hybrid Transitions

- **k-sat** (constraint satisfaction) for $k \ge 3$, Infinite dimensional (Monasson, Zecchina, Kirkpatrick, Selman, Troyansky, *Nature*, 1999)
- Jamming in models of granular materials
 Finite dimensional / spatial constraints

(OHern, Langer, Liu, Nagel, *Phys. Rev. Lett.* 2002) (Henkes, Chakraborty, *Phys. Rev. Lett.* 2005) (Toninelli, Biroli, Fisher, *Phys. Rev. Lett.* 2006) (Schwarz, Liu, Chayes, *Europhys. Lett.* 2006)



 Spin glasses glassy systems, slow relaxation time (D. Gross and M. Mezard. *Nucl. Phys. B*, 1984) (Kirkpatrick and Thirumalai, *Phys. Rev. Lett.* 1987)

Mixed transitions: geometry, disorder, computation

• Critical slowing down and computational complexity?

• *Nature* 1999: 2-sat <u>continuous</u> \in P, 3-sat <u>discontinuous</u> \in NP

- Hard instances, applications to Cryptography?
- Aspen Center for Physics: "Complexity, Disorder, and Algorithms" Organizers: S. Coppersmith, A. Middleton, J. Machta, C. Moore May 25 - June 22, 2008.
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 Organizers: Y. Peres, A. Sinclair, D. Aldous,
 C. Kenyon, H. Kesten, J. Kleinberg, F. Martinelli,
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Modular Erdős-Rényi

• Divide nodes initially into two groups (A and B):



- Add internal a-a edges with rate λ .
- Add internal *b*-*b* edges with rate λ/r_1 , with $r_1 > 1$.
- Add intra-group a-b edges with rate λ/r_2 , with $r_2 > 1$, $r_2 \neq r_1$.

What happens? (Anything different?)

Percolation on interacting networks, using random graph models

(E. Leicht and R. D'Souza, arXiv:0907.0894)





System of two networks

Connectivity for an individual node

- Probability distribution nodes in network *a*: $p_{k_ak_b}^a$
- For the the system: $\{p^a_{k_ak_b}, p^b_{k_ak_b}\}$
- Build generating function formalism for interacting networks.

Generating Functions – Distribution of component sizes:

(Extending Newman, Strogatz, Watts PRE 64, (2001))

Three step process:



- 1. G.F. for connectivity of a node connected to a random edge, $G_{ab}(x_a, x_b)$.
- 2. G.F. for the size of the component to which that node belongs, $H_{ab}(x_a, x_b)$.
- 3. G.F. for the size of the component to which an arbitrary node belongs, $H_a(x_a, x_b)$.

Moments of GFs provide information, e.g., the expected number of *a*-nodes in the component of an arbitrary *a*-node:

$$\langle s_a \rangle_a = \frac{\partial}{\partial x_a} H_a(x_a, x_b) \Big|_{x_a = x_b = 1}$$

Distributions for modular Erdős-Rényi

- $p^a_{k_ak_b} = p^a_{k_a}p^a_{k_b}$ (uncorrelated)
- Independent Poisson distributions with related means:



 $\overline{k}_{bb} = \frac{1}{r_1} \overline{k}_{aa},$ $\overline{k}_{ab} = \overline{k}_{ba} = \frac{1}{2r_2} \overline{k}_{aa}.$ $p_{k_a k_b}^a = \frac{\overline{k}_{aa} \frac{k_a}{k_a} e^{-\overline{k}_{aa}}}{k_a!} \cdot \frac{\overline{k}_{ab} \frac{k_b}{k_b} e^{-\overline{k}_{ab}}}{k_b!}$ $p_{k_a k_b}^b = \frac{\overline{k}_{bb} \frac{k_b}{k_b} e^{-\overline{k}_{bb}}}{k_b!} \cdot \frac{\overline{k}_{ba} \frac{k_a}{k_a} e^{-\overline{k}_{ba}}}{k_a!}$

$$\langle s_a \rangle_a = 1 + \frac{\overline{k}_{aa} - \overline{k}_{aa} \overline{k}_{bb} + \overline{k}_{ab} \overline{k}_{ba}}{(1 - \overline{k}_{aa})(1 - \overline{k}_{bb}) - \overline{k}_{ab} \overline{k}_{ba}}$$

(Bollobas, Janson, Riordan *RSA*, 2007 Ostilli, Mendes *J Stat Mech* 2009)

Wiring which respects group structures percolates earlier!





aa rate λ

bb rate λ/r_1 , w/ $r_1 = 2$

ab rate λ/r_2 , w/ $r_2 = 6$

Other distributions



- Approximates two loosely coupled human contact networks.
- Giant component is larger for *L*2.

Other distributions, cont.



- Approximates critical infrastructure:
 - power grid nodes having narrow degree distribution.
 - Internet routers have broad degree distribution.

Statistical signatures of interacting networks: (How and when do they differ from random or each-other?)

• Socio-technical congruence (e.g., Open Source Software)





• Searching for biomarkers of disease:



GENOME

protein-gene interactions

PROTEOME

protein-protein interactions

METABOLISM

Bio-chemical reactions

Explosive percolation in random graphs – Conclusions

- Controlling phase transitions with choice
 - Delay or enhance
 - Changing speed of onset
 - Changing universality classes
 - Including locality
- Network interactions
 - Can change the onset of phase transitions
 - Modular treatments can percolate sooner

(or later, depending on specifics of degree distributions involved)

- Random graphs and real-world networks
 - Can the differences serve as diagnostic tools?

