



Spectra and dynamics for assortative and disassortative networks

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Effects of Topology on Networks

Can we have some general ideas on *how Topology affects the Dynamics* of the networks?

To this purpose we considered two different simple dynamical processes

- Epidemics
- Diffusion

Final Goal

Spotting systemic risks with few informations, very important for *Critical Infrastructures*



We focus on the role of assortativity on the dynamics.

Assortative Coefficient

r is the degree-degree Pearson correlation coefficient of two vertices connected by an edge

$$r(G) = \frac{\langle kq \rangle_e - \langle (k+q)/2 \rangle_e^2}{\langle (k^2 + q^2)/2 \rangle_e - \langle (k+q)/2 \rangle_e^2}$$

where k, q are the degrees of the nodes at the vertices of the same edge and $\langle \bullet \rangle_e$ is the average over edges



Monte Carlo sampling

Gibbs measure $\mu[G] \propto \exp(-H_J[G])$ with coupling J

$$H_J[G] = -J \sum_{ij} A_{ij} k_i k_j$$

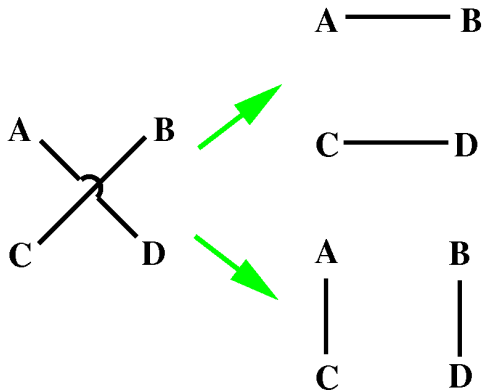
Assortativity is an increasing function of the coupling

Compare $H_J[G]$ with the assortativity dependent term of the assortativity coefficient r

$$\langle kq \rangle_e = \frac{1}{N_e} \sum_{ij} A_{ij} k_i k_j$$



Link Swapping



Such swapping moves
leave the degree
distribution invariant

$$P(G \rightarrow G') = \min [1, \exp(-\Delta H_J)]$$



Adjacency Matrix & Branching



SIS Model

Infected nodes can either infect their neighbors or recover. The epidemic threshold tells us if an epidemics spreads system-wide.

Adjacency Matrix

The epidemic threshold in networks scales as the inverse Λ_1^{-1} of the biggest eigenvalue of the adjacency matrix.

SIS can capture also failure propagation



MF equations

$$\partial_t l_i = -l_i + (1 - l_i) \tau \sum_j A_{ij} l_j$$

for $\tau < \tau_C$ stable solution $\vec{l} = 0$

Small perturbation

$$\vec{l} \sim \epsilon$$

$$\partial_t \vec{l} = \tau A \vec{l} + \mathcal{O}(\epsilon)$$

$\vec{l} = 0$ solution is stable if

$$\|A\| \tau < 1$$

i.e.

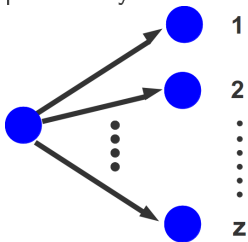
$$\tau_C = 1/\Lambda_1$$



Branching Processes

Branching processes are useful to describe percolation-like processes on trees (random networks are trees with few loops)

z branching number, p branching probability



zp average number of descendants

$(zp)^n$ at the n^{th} generation

$zp_c = 1$ critical probability

Percolation on a network

$z_i = \sum_j A_{ij}$ branching number

$\sum_j p A_{ij}$ descendants

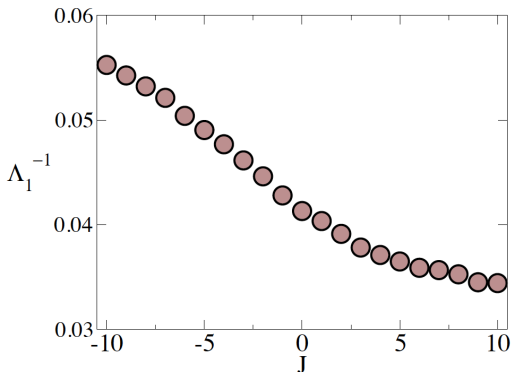
$\sum_j p^n (A^n)_{ij}$ at the n^{th}

generation

$p_c \|A\| \sim 1$ critical probability



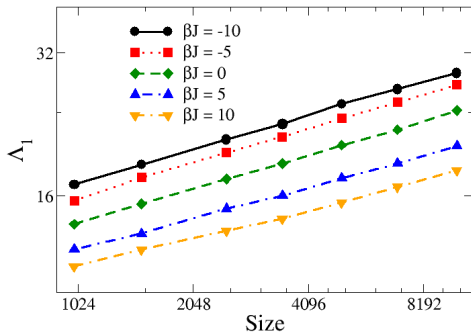
Numerical Results



Data averaged on 10^2
networks of 10^4 nodes.

Result

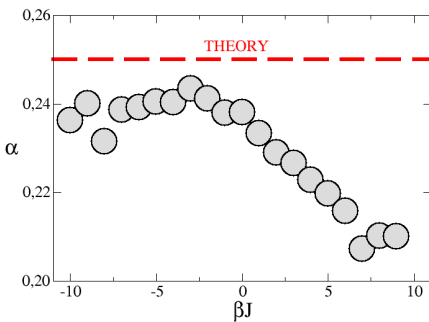
Assortative networks are more prone to epidemic spreading.



Data averaged on 10^2 networks for each size.

Result

Assortative networks have bigger scaling amplitudes.

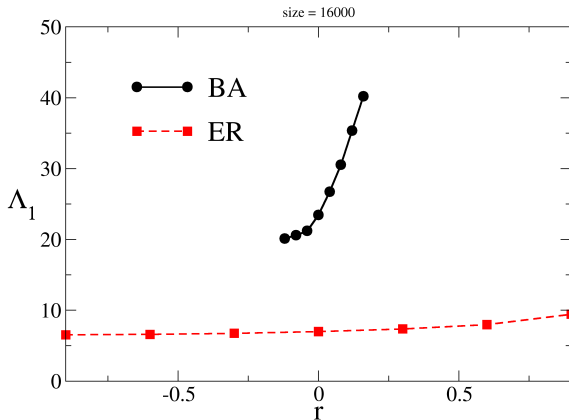


Result

Scaling deviations at “small” sizes (THEORY is exact for $N \rightarrow \infty$)



Power Law vs Poisson





Laplacian Matrix & Diffusion



A adjacency matrix

sparse matrix with $A_{ij} = 1$ iff nodes i and j are linked

K degree matrix

diagonal matrix with $K_{ii} = \sum_j A_{ij}$ degree k_i of node i

\mathcal{L} Laplacian matrix

$$\mathcal{L} = K - A$$



- Diffusion in the network is dictated by the Laplacian matrix

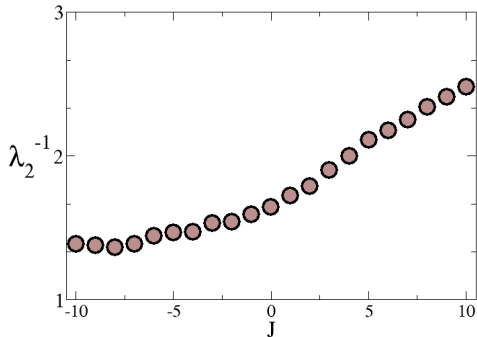
$$\partial_t \rho = -\mathcal{L}\rho$$

- The eigenvalues of \mathcal{L} are $\lambda_1 = 0 \leq \lambda_2 \leq \dots \leq \lambda_N$

The first non-zero eigenvalue λ_2 is the inverse timescale of slowest mode of diffusion (the most extended mode). In general, we can think of λ_2^{-1} as the timescale after which a perturbation (like the infection of a site) that spreads diffusively will settle a new state (like an epidemics) *in the whole network*.



Numerical Results



- Data are averaged on 10^2 networks of 10^4 nodes.
- No relevant size dependence

Result

Assortative networks allow for a longer intervention time.



- Network vibrations are dictated by the Laplacian matrix

$$\partial_t^2 \rho = -\mathcal{L}\rho$$

- Synchronizability is linked to the spectrum of \mathcal{L}
- Controllability is linked to the spectrum of \mathcal{L}



Minimal Cut

A partition of the nodes into two sets can be represented by a vector \vec{x} with $x_i \in \{-1, 1\}$

- Ω_+ sites with $x_i > 0$
- Σ_+ links between nodes in Ω_+
- $\partial\Omega$ sites at the border of the partitions
- $\partial\Sigma$ links among Ω_+ and Ω_-

Min-Cut

find $\min \mathcal{H}[\vec{x}]$ s.t. $x_i \in \{-1, 1\}$

$$\mathcal{H}[\vec{x}] = \sum_{ij}^{n.n.} \left(\frac{x_i - x_j}{2} \right)^2 = \frac{\vec{x} \mathcal{L} \vec{x}}{4}$$



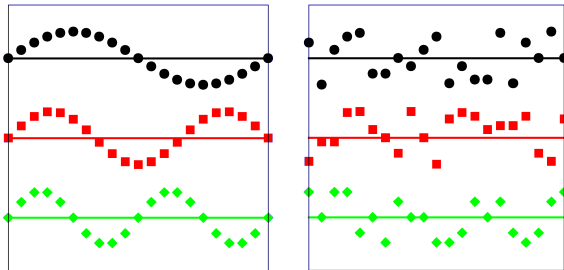
Relax the *min - cut* conditions and let $\vec{x} \in \mathbb{R}^N$ s.t $\|\vec{x}\| = 1$. ; then I can look at the *eigenvectors* \vec{u}_α of \mathcal{L} by expressing $\vec{x} = \sum_{\alpha} a_{\alpha} \vec{u}_{\alpha}$ we get the relation

$$\vec{x} \mathcal{L} \vec{x} = \sum_{\alpha} a_{\alpha}^2 \lambda_i \geq \lambda_2 \|\vec{x}\|^2 = \lambda_2$$

therefore the minimal solution is \vec{u}_2



Eigenvectors & Partitions

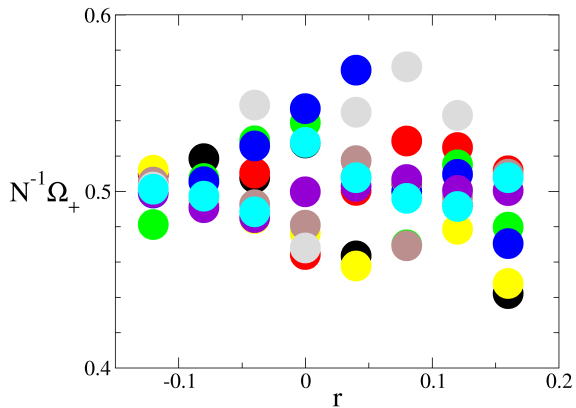


Partitions can be identified by a sequence $(1, -1, \dots)$



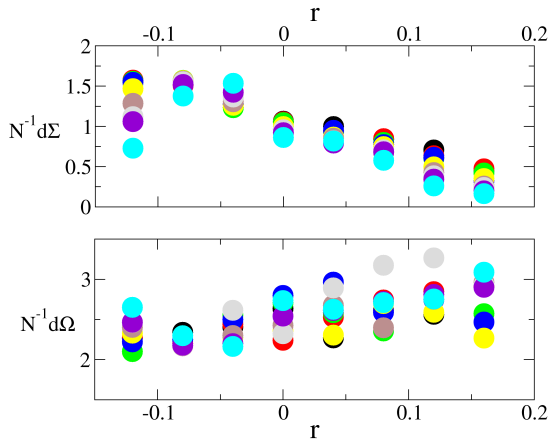


Scaling of the Min-Cut





Scaling of the Min-Cut Boundaries

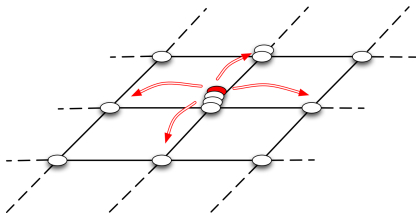




Sandpiles & Finance



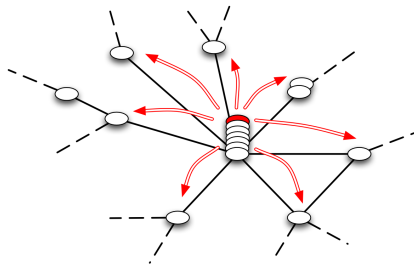
Sandpile model has been the prototype of Self-Organised Criticality



- Defined on a lattice
- Sand accumulates on vertices
- Until threshold
- Then topples
- Until reaches lattice boundaries



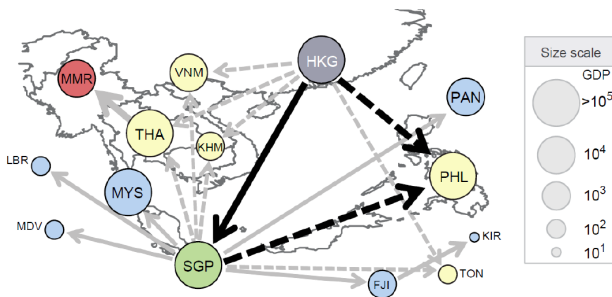
Substitute sand with distress/energy/stress/...



- Defined on a Network
- Threshold is the degree
- Boundaries ?



Avalanches can be seen as propagation of distress



K.-M. Lee, J.-S. Yang, G. Kim, J. Lee, K.-I. Goh, I.-M. Kim, PLOS1 6, e18443 (2011)



Pinning of Sandpiles

A bank “*too big to fail*” is a site that does not topple.
Pinning Bailing out in the language of sandpile corresponds to pinning. I.e. stopping topples on sites.

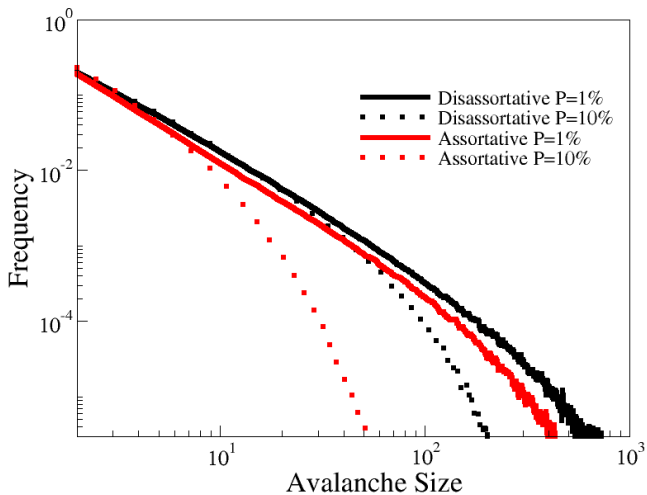
- You can pin randomly (standard sandpile)
- You can pin the hubs (too connected to fail)

The pinned sites are the boundary ∂G of the sandpile



Results of Pinning

On assortative networks domino-effect have a larger cut-off.





The toppling of a site is described by

$$s_i(t+1) = s_i(t) + T_{ij}$$

Toppling Matrix

$$T_{ij} = \begin{cases} k_i & \text{if } i=j \\ -1 & \text{if } i \text{ n.n. } j \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Toppling & Laplacian

$$T_{ij} = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } i \in \partial G \vee j \in \partial G \\ -\mathcal{L}_{ij} & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$



Spectra

Adjacency Matrix dictates irreversible propagation

Laplacian Matrix dictates diffusive propagation

Toppling dynamics are linked to Diffusive dynamics

Eigenvectors

Min-Cut

Community Finding

To Do

Signed Graphs

Directed Graphs



- Assortativity *vs* Size: do non-neutral configurations disappear or is assortativity ill defined?
- MC Sampling with a non-extensive Hamiltonian
- Fixed Assortativity simulations introduce bias in the assortativity structure



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