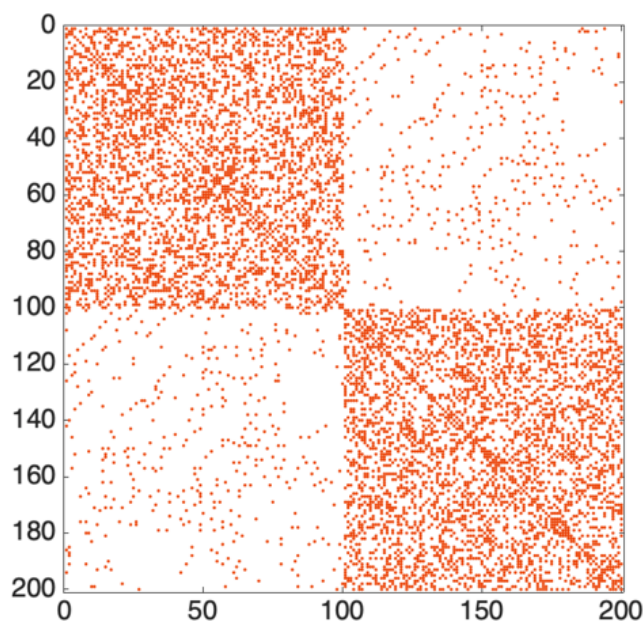


# Selected Topics in Frontiers of Statistics

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Use Maximum Likelihood method to detect the community structure of the network:



from the network, we can observe that the network could be partitioned into two communities. From the requirement of the problems, the average degree inside community is 8, and the average degree between communities is 2.

Thus we can use networkx to construct graph:

First we can create each community:

```
def create_community_graph(n_nodes, avg_degree):
    p = avg_degree / (n_nodes - 1)
    return nx.erdos_renyi_graph(n_nodes, p)
```

Then we can link the community:

```
def connect_communities(G1, G2, avg_inter_degree):
    n1 = len(G1)
    n2 = len(G2)
    n_inter_edges = int(avg_inter_degree * (n1 + n2) / 2)

    G = nx.disjoint_union(G1, G2)

    nodes_community1 = list(G1.nodes)
    nodes_community2 = list(G2.nodes)

    while n_inter_edges > 0:
        node1 = np.random.choice(nodes_community1)
        node2 = np.random.choice(nodes_community2) + n1
        if not G.has_edge(node1, node2):
            G.add_edge(node1, node2)
            n_inter_edges -= 1

    return G
```

Also, from the picture we can know that number of nodes in each community is 100.

Below is the generated network:



```

"""
# Initialize  $\pi$  and  $\theta$  with small random perturbations around the symmetric choice
np.random.seed(42)
pi = np.random.rand(c)
pi = pi / pi.sum()
theta = np.random.rand(c, n)
theta = theta / theta.sum(axis=1, keepdims=True)
# print(pi)

# Compute  $q_{ir}$ 
q = np.zeros((n, c))

for iteration in range(max_iter):
    # print(iteration)
    # Save old values for convergence check
    pi_old = pi.copy()
    theta_old = theta.copy()

    for i in range(n):
        for r in range(c):
            numerator = pi[r] * np.prod(theta[r, :] ** A[i, :])
            denominator = sum(pi[s] * np.prod(theta[s, :] ** A[i, :]) for s in range(c))
            q[i, r] = numerator / denominator

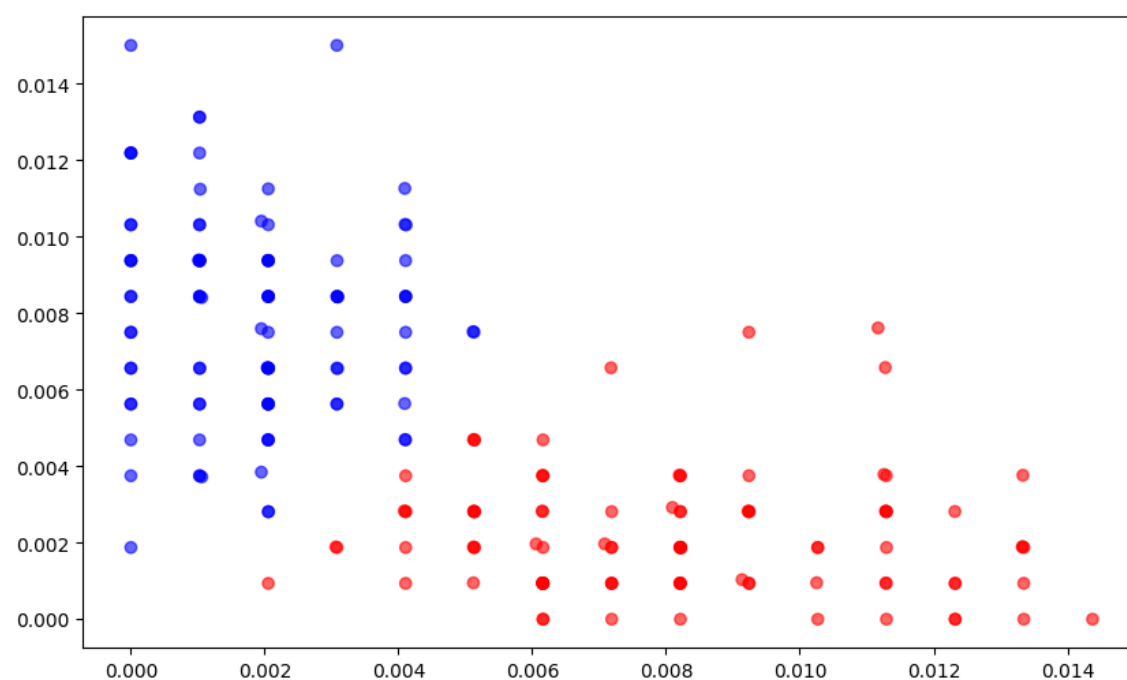
    # Update  $\pi_r$  and  $\theta_{rj}$ 
    pi = np.sum(q, axis=0) / n
    for r in range(c):
        for j in range(n):
            theta[r, j] = np.sum(A[:, j] * q[:, r]) / np.sum(k * q[:, r])

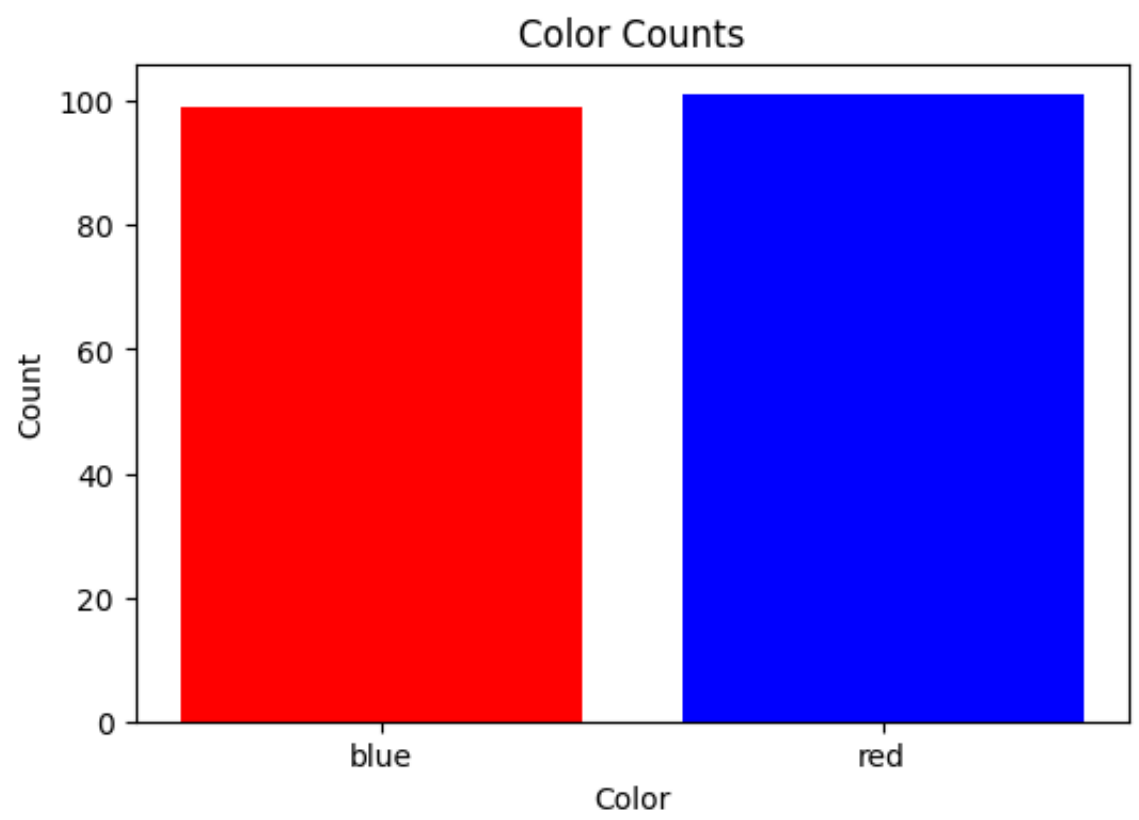
    # Check for convergence
    if np.allclose(pi, pi_old, atol=epsilon) and np.allclose(theta, theta_old, atol=epsilon):
        break

return pi, theta

```

It is worth noticing that the derived  $q_{ir}$  may not be the form of probability. Thus we should take softmax for two class, however, we can still observe the community detection performance by visualization below:





It shows that the community has been detected and two groups of nodes are separated.