

# **Introduction to Network Science**

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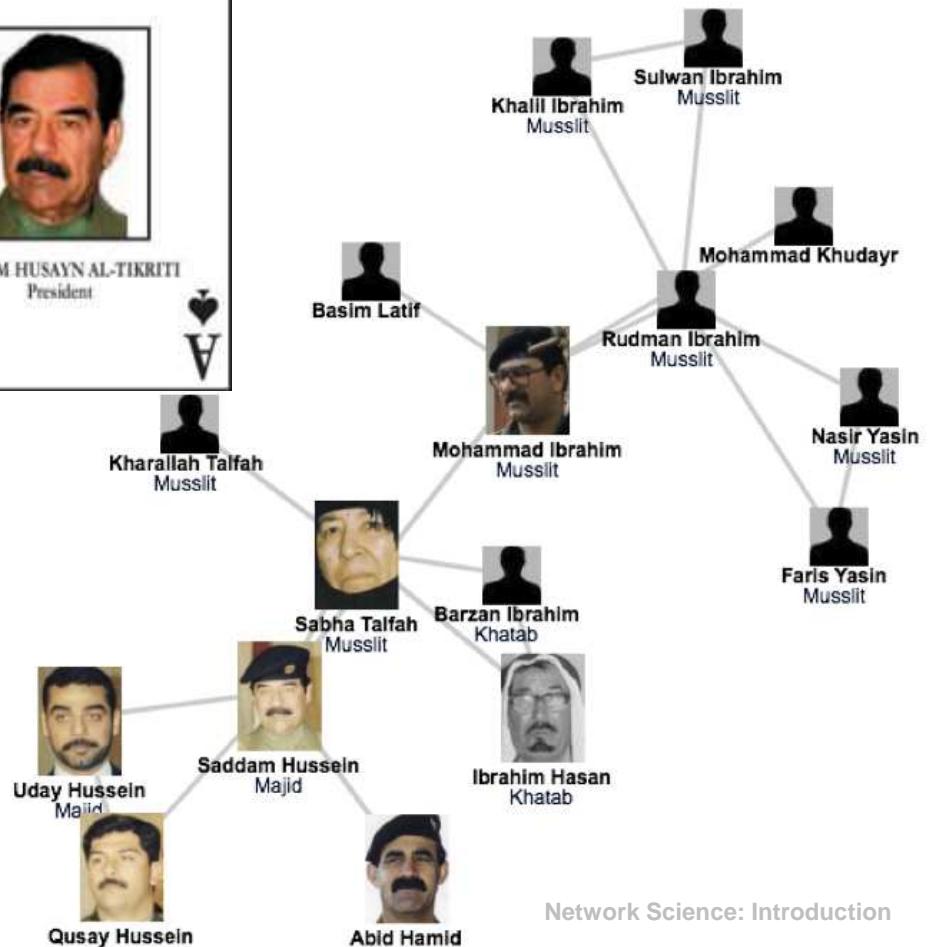
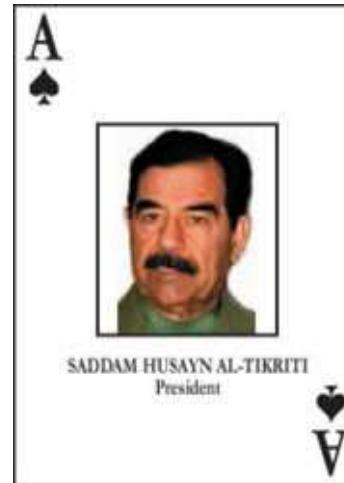
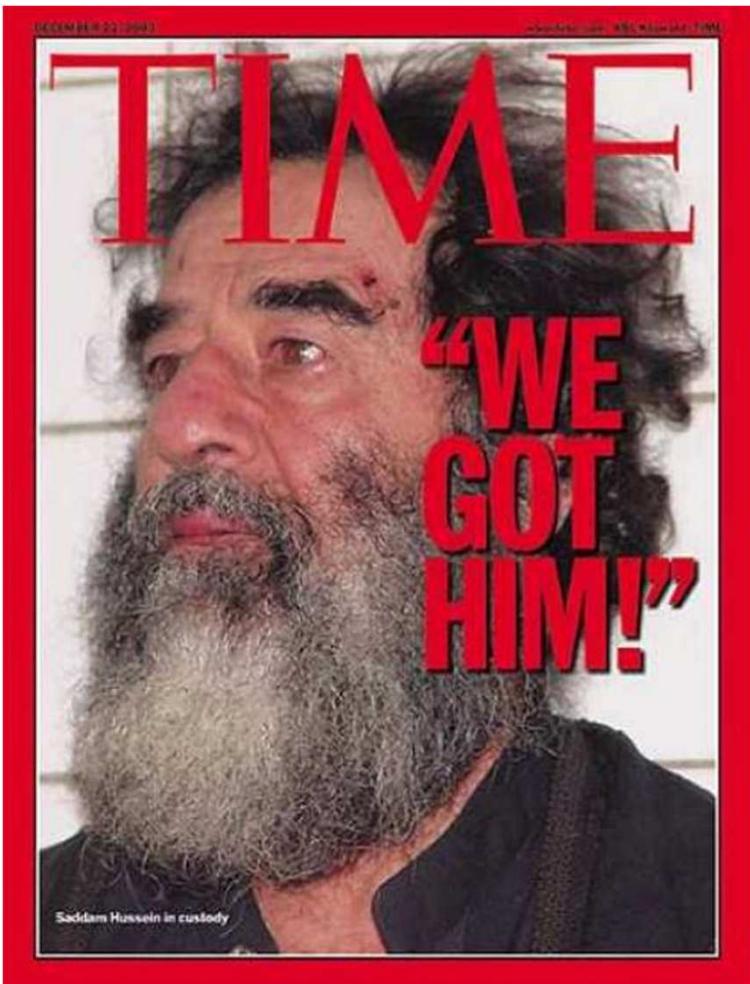
## Section 2:

## FROM SADDAM HUSSEIN TO NETWORK THEORY

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## A SIMPLE STORY (1)

## The fate of Saddam and network science



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The capture of Saddam Hussein:

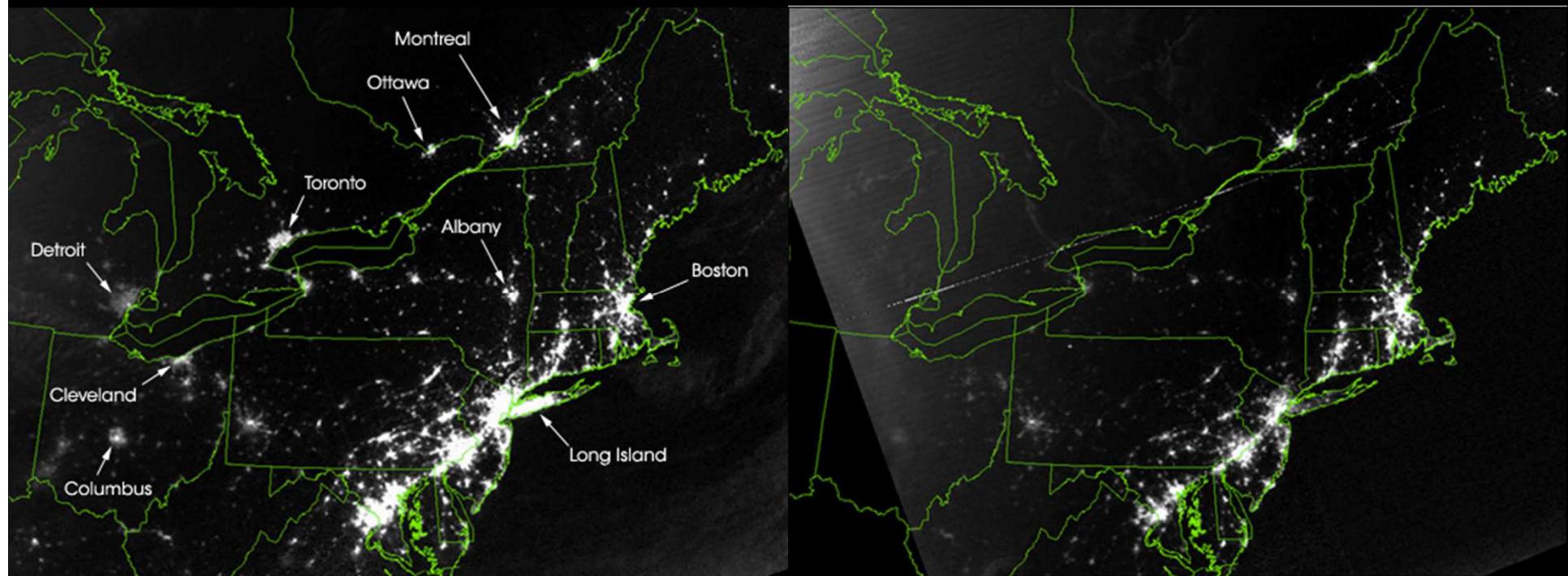
- shows the strong predictive power of networks.
- underlies the need to obtain accurate maps of the networks we aim to study; and the often heroic difficulties we encounter during the mapping process.
- demonstrates the remarkable stability of these networks: The capture of Hussein was not based on fresh intelligence, but rather on his pre-invasion social links, unearthed from old photos stacked in his family album.
- shows that the choice of network we focus on makes a huge difference: the hierarchical tree, that captured the official organization of the Iraqi government, was of no use when it came to Saddam Hussein's whereabouts.

## Section 3

### VULNERABILITY DUE TO INTERCONNECTIVITY

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## A SIMPLE STORY (2): August 15, 2003 blackout.



August 14, 2003: 9:29pm EDT  
20 hours before

August 15, 2003: 9:14pm EDT  
7 hours after

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An important theme of this class:

- we must understand how network structure affects the robustness of a complex system.
- develop quantitative tools to assess the interplay between network structure and the dynamical processes on the networks, and their impact on failures.
- We will learn that failures reality failures follow reproducible laws, that can be quantified and even predicted using the tools of network science.

## Section 4

### NETWORKS AT THE HEART OF COMPLEX SYSTEMS

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# Complex

[adj., v. kuh m-pleks, kom-pleks; n. kom-pleks]

—adjective

1.

composed of many interconnected parts; compound; composite: a complex highway system.

2.

characterized by a very complicated or involved arrangement of parts, units, etc.: complex machinery.

3.

so complicated or intricate as to be hard to understand or deal with: a complex problem.

*Source: Dictionary.com*

Complexity, a **scientific theory** which asserts that some systems display behavioral phenomena that are completely inexplicable by any conventional analysis of the systems' constituent parts. These phenomena, commonly referred to as emergent behaviour, seem to occur in many complex systems involving living organisms, such as a stock market or the human brain.

*Source: John L. Casti, Encyclopædia Britannica*

# Complexity

## THE ROLE OF NETWORKS

Behind each complex system there is a **network**, that defines the interactions between the component.

SOCIETY

Factoid:

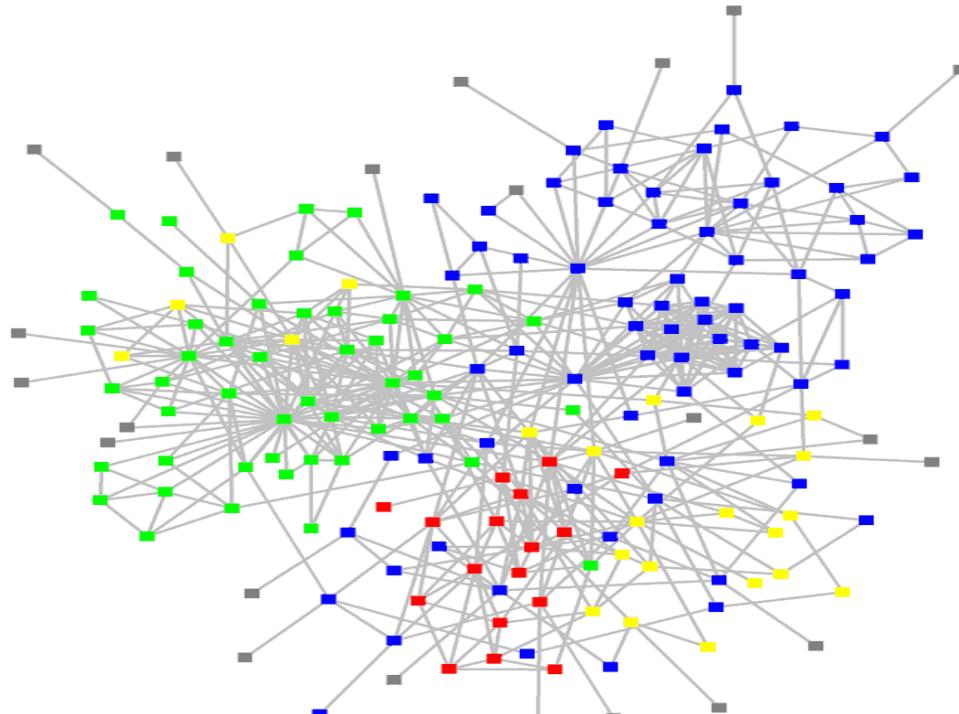


The “Social Graph” behind Facebook

Keith Shepherd's "Sunday Best". <http://baseballart.com/2010/07/shades-of-greatness-a-story-that-needed-to-be-told/>

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# STRUCTURE OF AN ORGANIZATION



■ ■ ■ : departments

■ : consultants

■ : external experts

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BRAIN

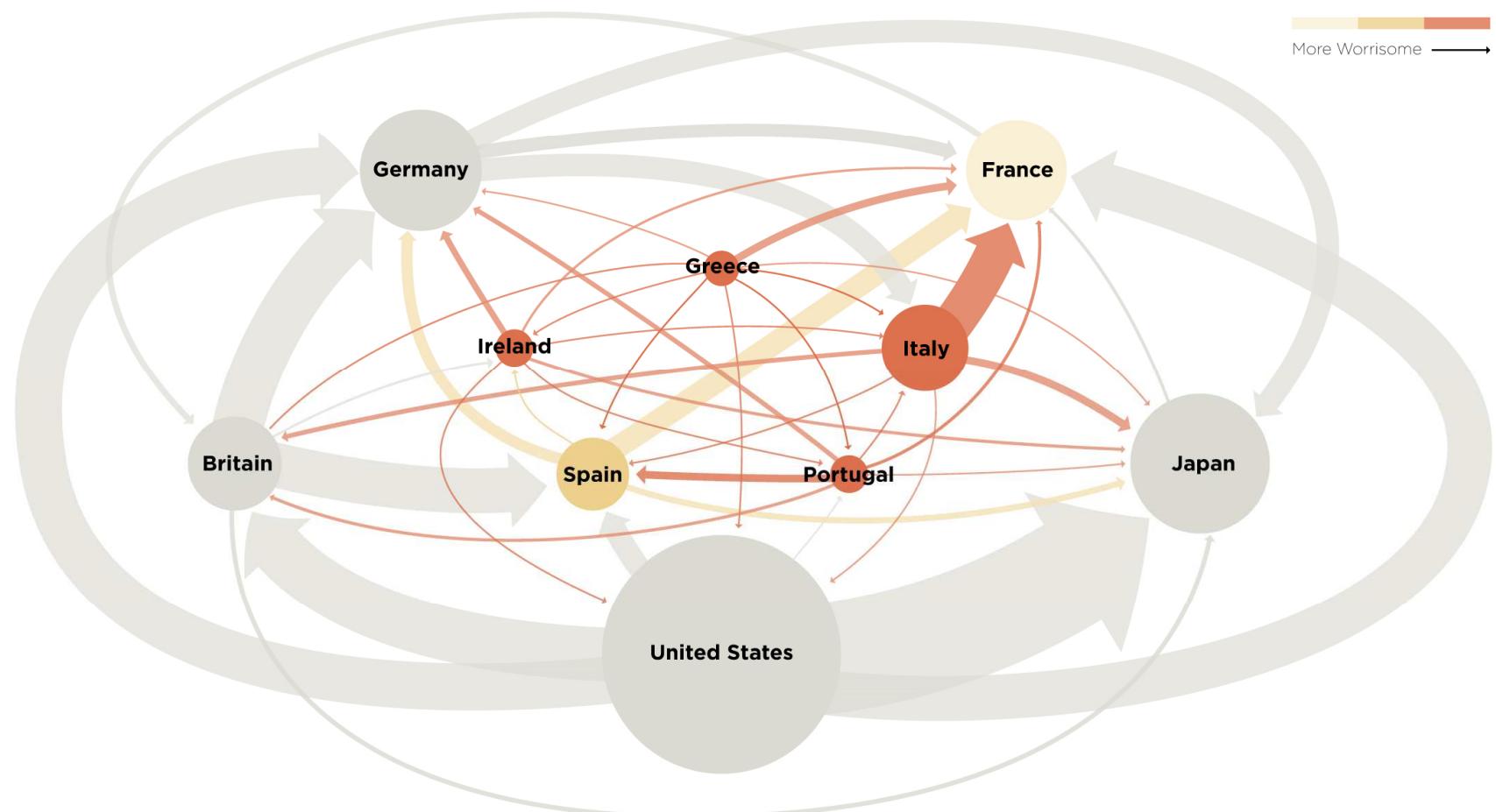
Factoid:

**Human Brain  
has between  
10-100 billion  
neurons.**

## The subtle financial networks



## The not so subtle financial networks: 2011



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# BUSINESS TIES IN US BIOTECH-INDUSTRY

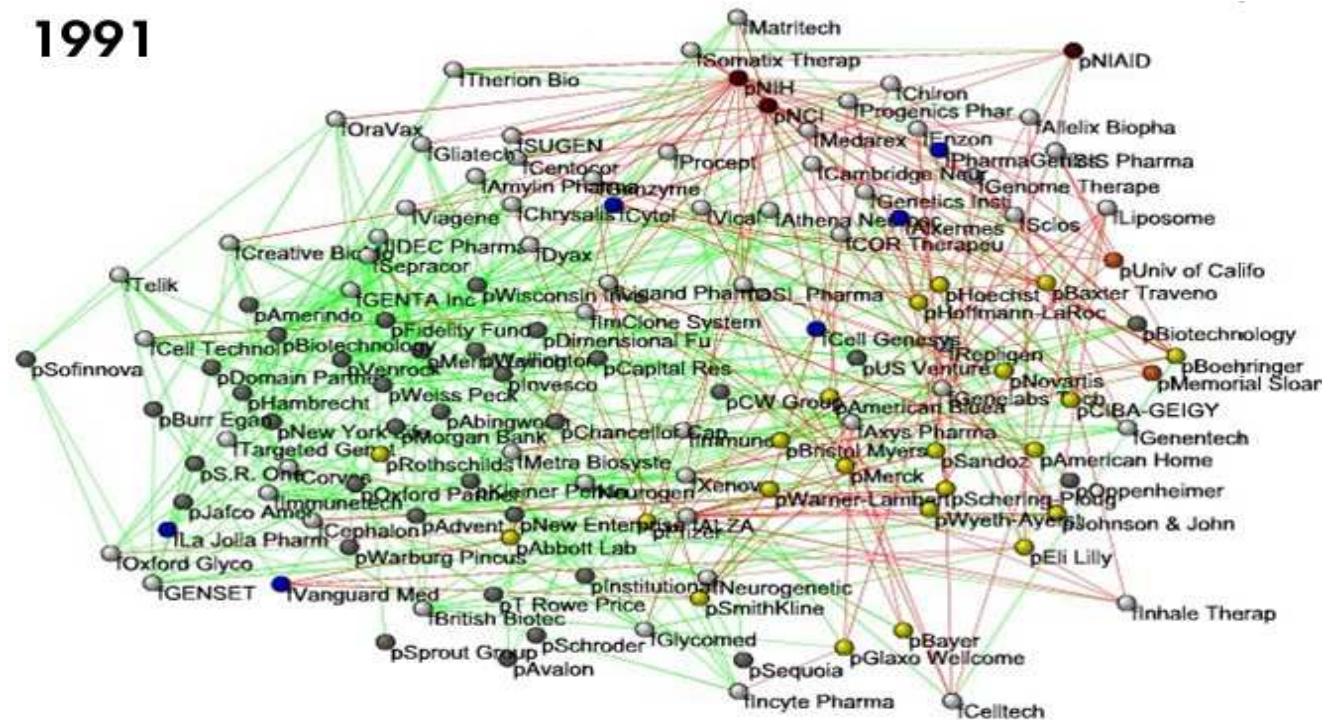
1991

## Nodes:

Companies	<span style="color: green;">█</span>
Investment	<span style="color: lightgray;">█</span>
Pharma	<span style="color: yellow;">█</span>
Research Labs	<span style="color: red;">█</span>
Public	<span style="color: orange;">█</span>
Biotechnology	<span style="color: darkblue;">█</span>

## Links:

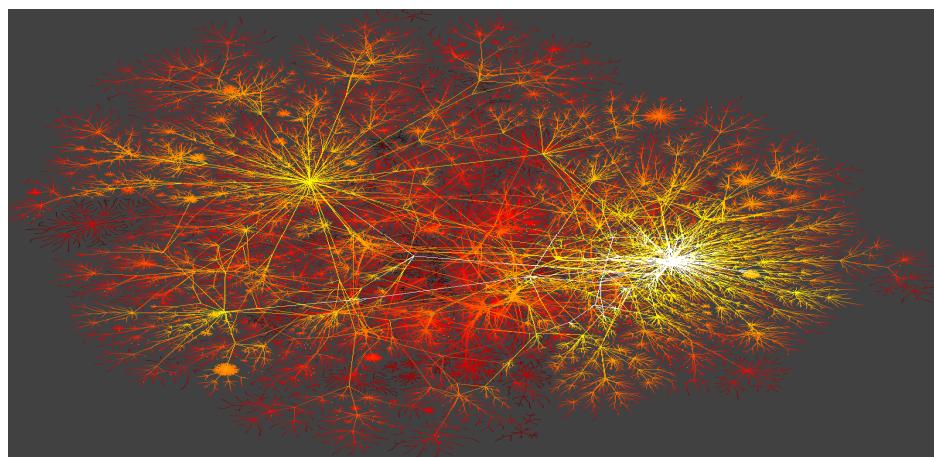
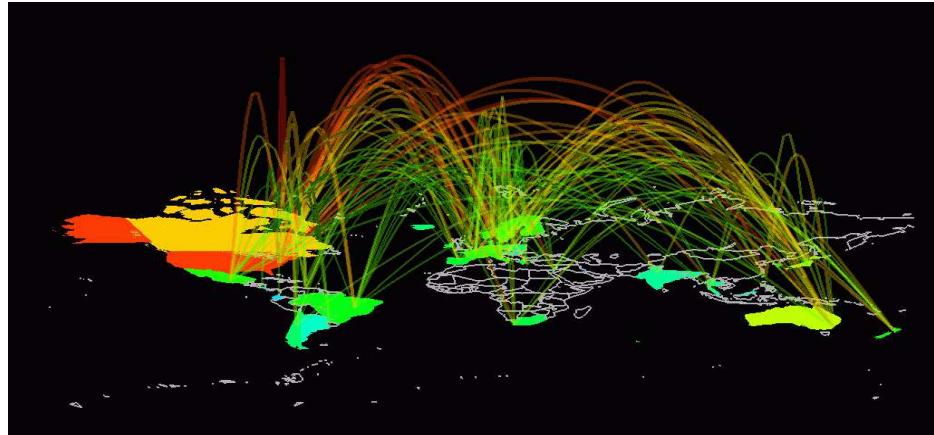
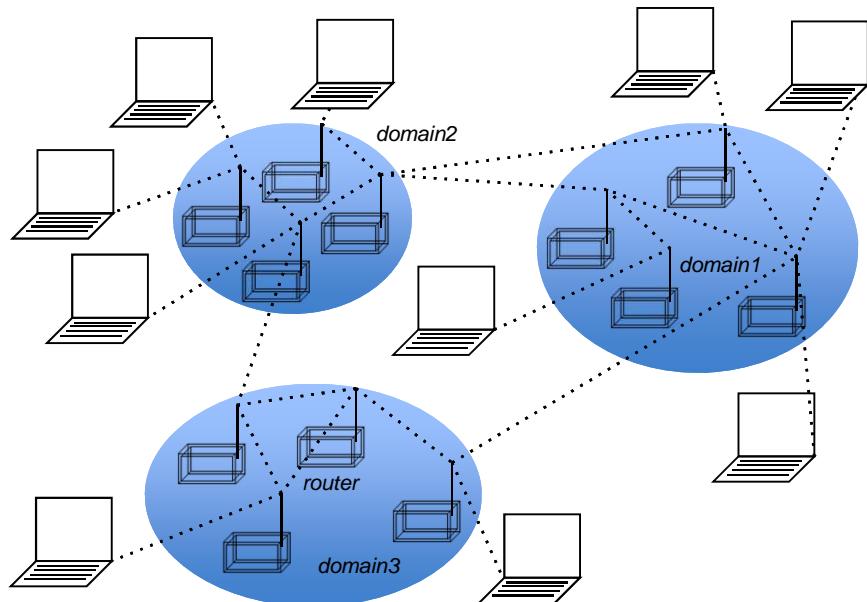
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R&D	<span style="color: red;">█</span>



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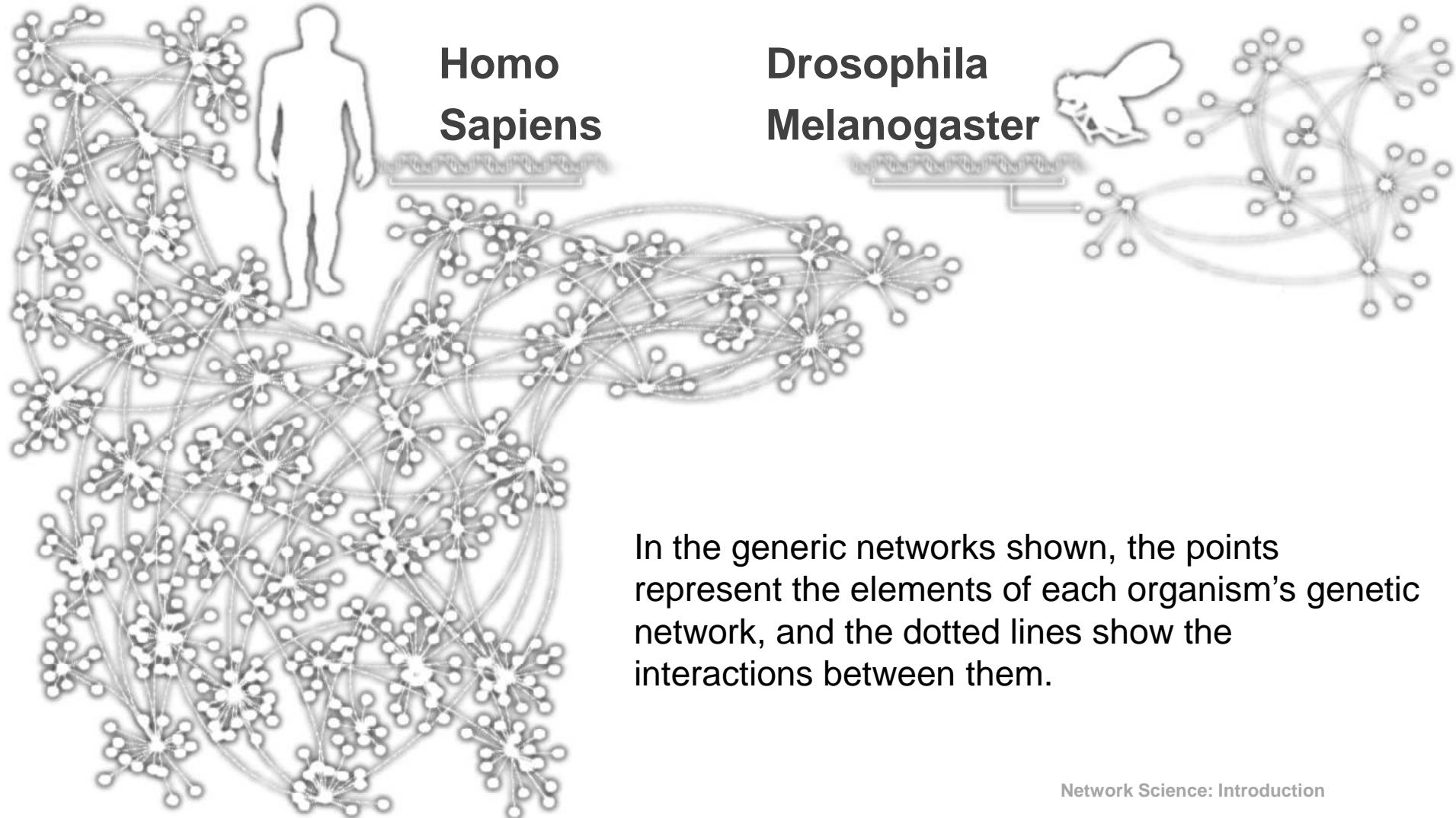
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# INTERNET

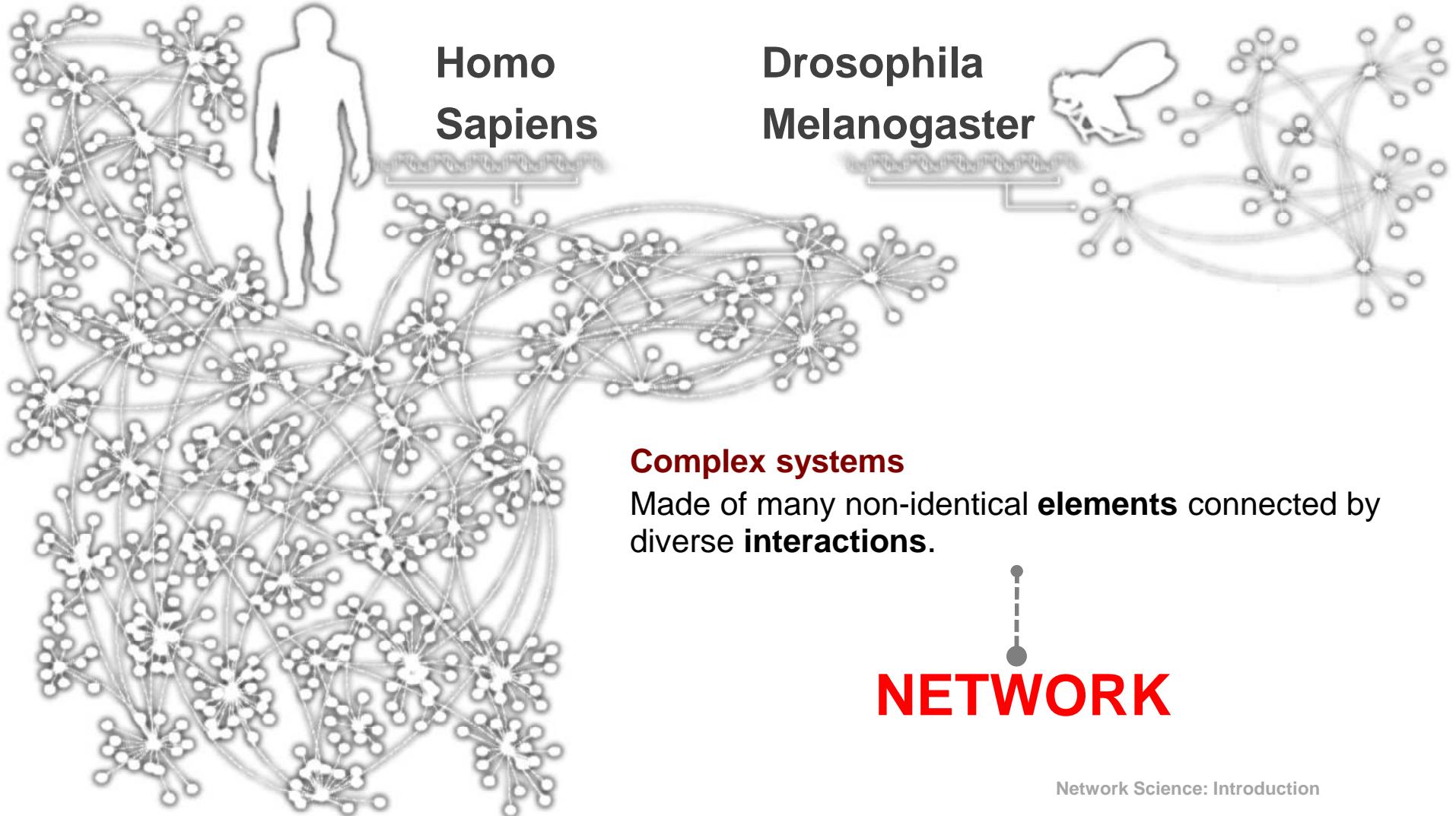


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## HUMANS GENES



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## THE ROLE OF NETWORKS

Behind each system studied in complexity there is an intricate wiring diagram, or a **network**, that defines the interactions between the component.

We will never understand complex system unless we map out and understand the networks behind them.

## Section 5

# TWO FORCES HELPED THE EMERGENCE OF NETWORK SCIENCE

## THE HISTORY OF NETWORK ANALYSIS

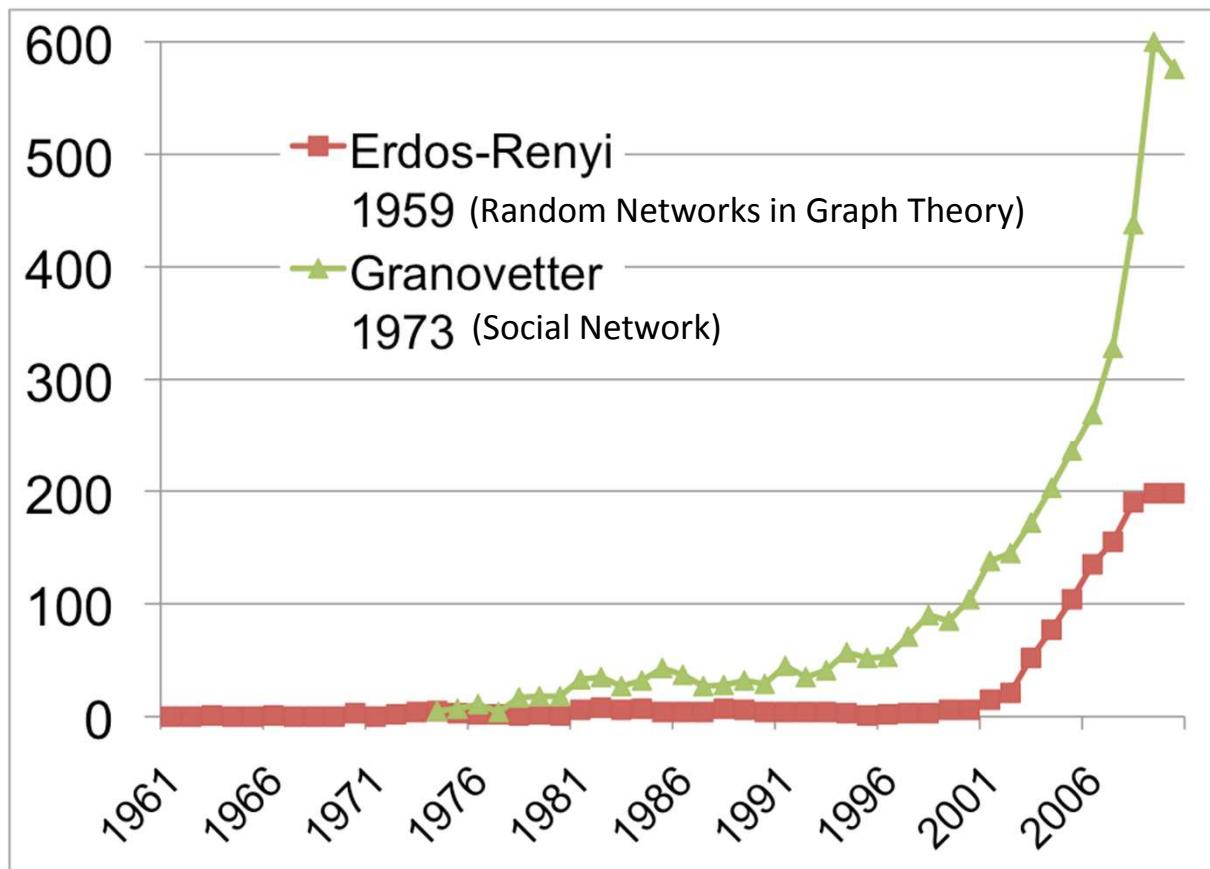
**Graph theory:** 1735, Euler

**Social Network Research:** 1930s, Moreno

**Communication networks/internet:** 1960s

**Ecological Networks:** May, 1979.

# THE HISTORY OF NETWORK ANALYSIS



## THE EMERGENCE OF NETWORK SCIENCE

### The emergence of network maps:

Movie Actor Network, 1998;  
World Wide Web, 1999.  
*C elegans* neural wiring diagram 1990  
Citation Network, 1998  
Metabolic Network, 2000;  
Protein-protein Interaction (PPI) network, 2001

## THE EMERGENCE OF NETWORK SCIENCE

### **The universality of network characteristics:**

The architecture of networks emerging in various domains of science, nature, and technology are more similar to each other than one would have expected.

## Section 6

# THE CHARACTERISTICS OF NETWORK SCIENCE

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*Interdisciplinary*

*Empirical*

*Quantitative and Mathematical*

*Computational*

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*Interdisciplinary*

***Empirical, data driven***

*Quantitative and Mathematical*

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## Section 7

# THE IMPACT OF NETWORK SCIENCE

# ECONOMIC IMPACT



**Google**

Market Cap(2010 Jan 1):  
*\$189 billion*

# Cisco Systems

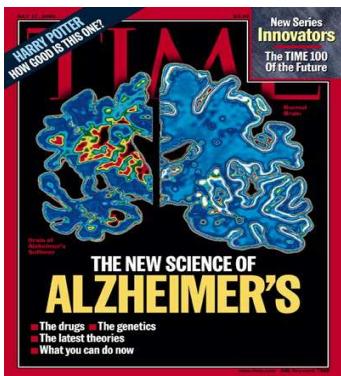
networking gear Market  
cap (Jan 1, 2919):  
*\$112 billion*

**Facebook**  
market cap:  
*\$50 billion*

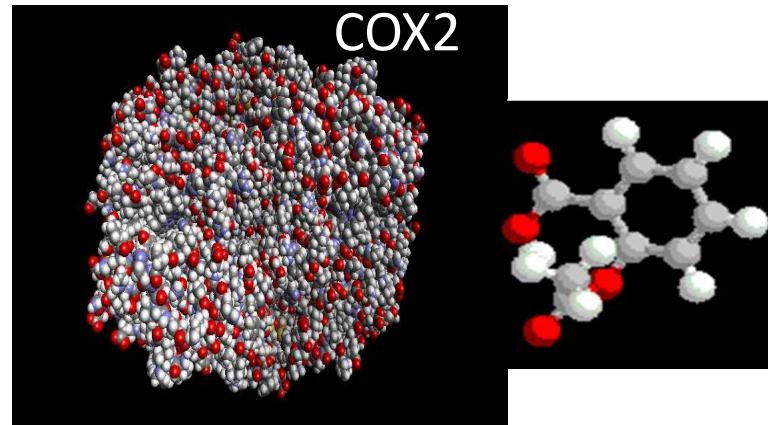
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## DRUG DESIGN, METABOLIC ENGINEERING:

Reduces  
Inflammation  
Fever  
Pain

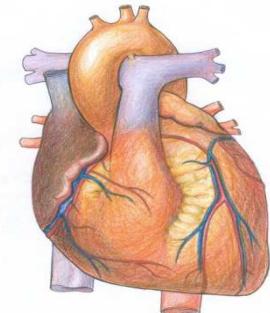


Reduces the risk of  
Alzheimer's Disease



Reduces the risk of  
breast cancer  
ovarian cancers  
colorectal cancer

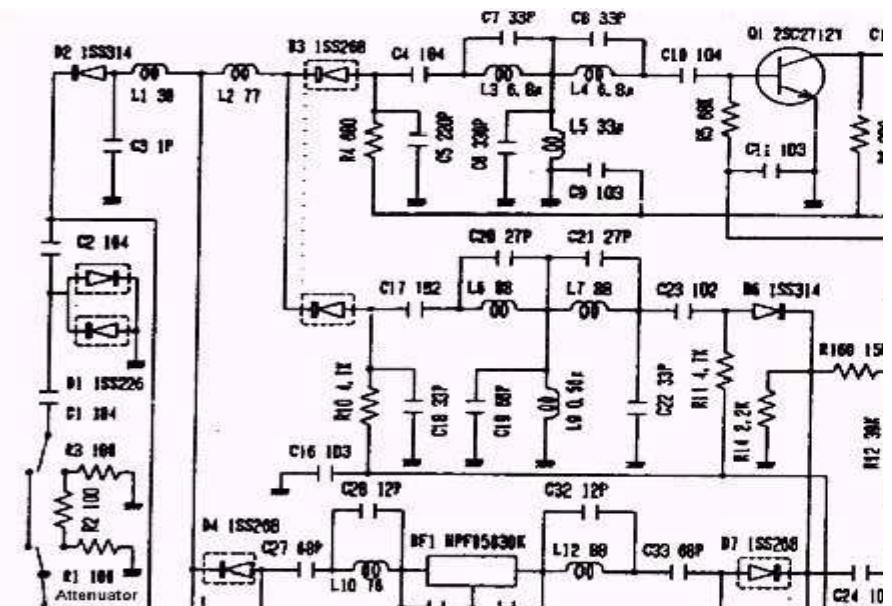
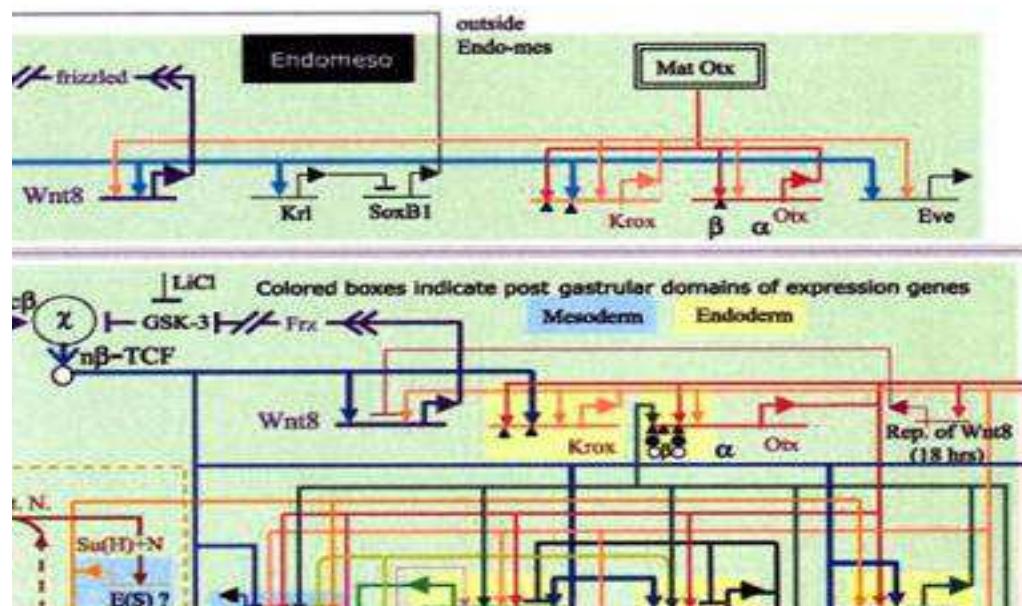
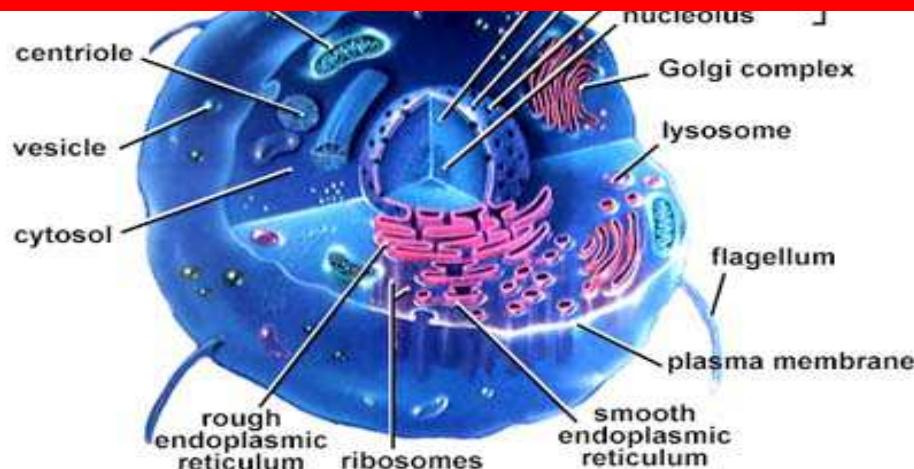
Prevents  
Heart attack  
Stroke



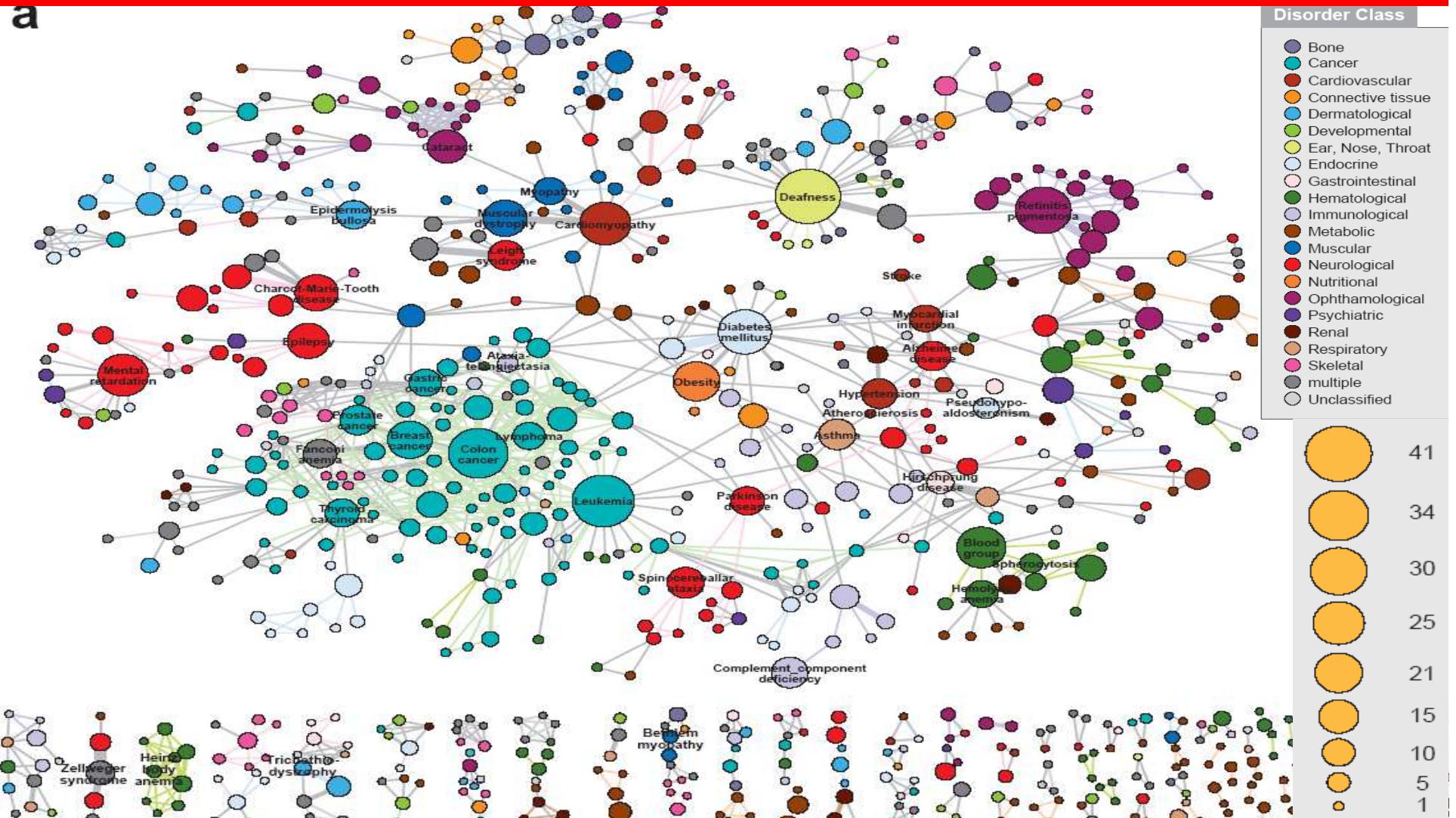
Causes  
Bleeding  
Ulcer

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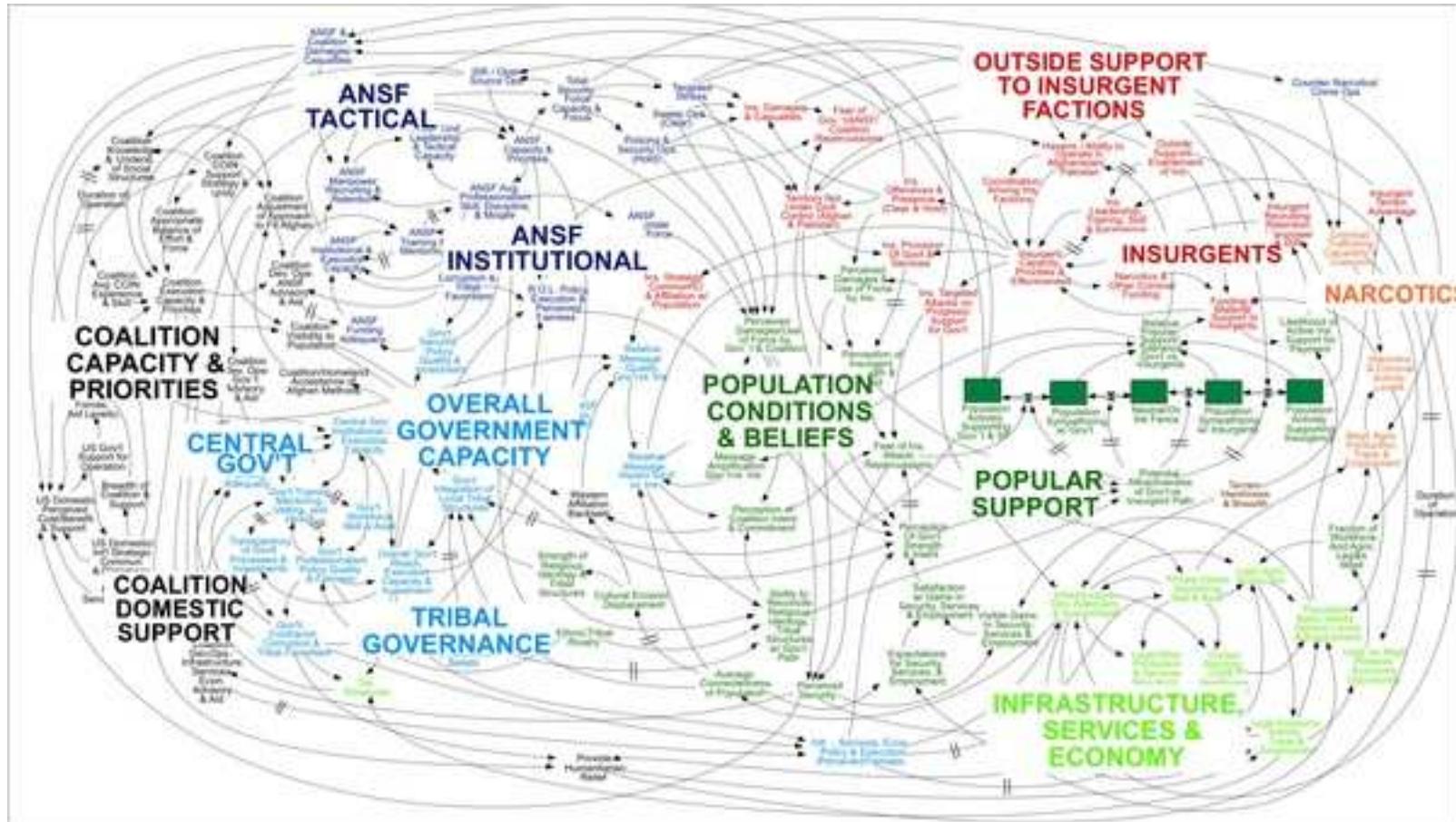
# DRUG DESIGN, METABOLIC ENGINEERING:



# HUMAN DISEASE NETWORK



# The network behind a military engagement



# Predicting the H1N1 pandemic

Feb 18 2009



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New York  
Los Angeles  
Houston  
Toronto  
Vancouver  
Calgary  
Indianapolis

**La Gloria**  
Sao Paulo  
Mexico City  
Rio De Janeiro  
San Juan  
Bogota

Johannesburg  
Cairo  
Cape Town  
Nairobi

Paris  
Frankfurt  
Amsterdam  
Rome  
Milan  
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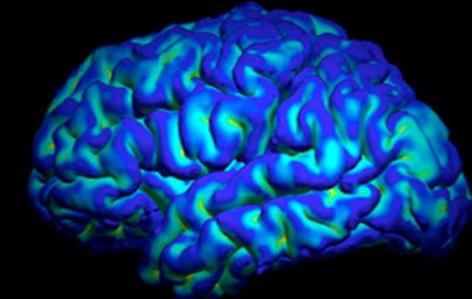
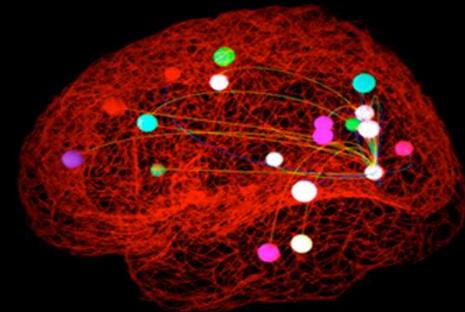
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## BRAIN RESEARCH

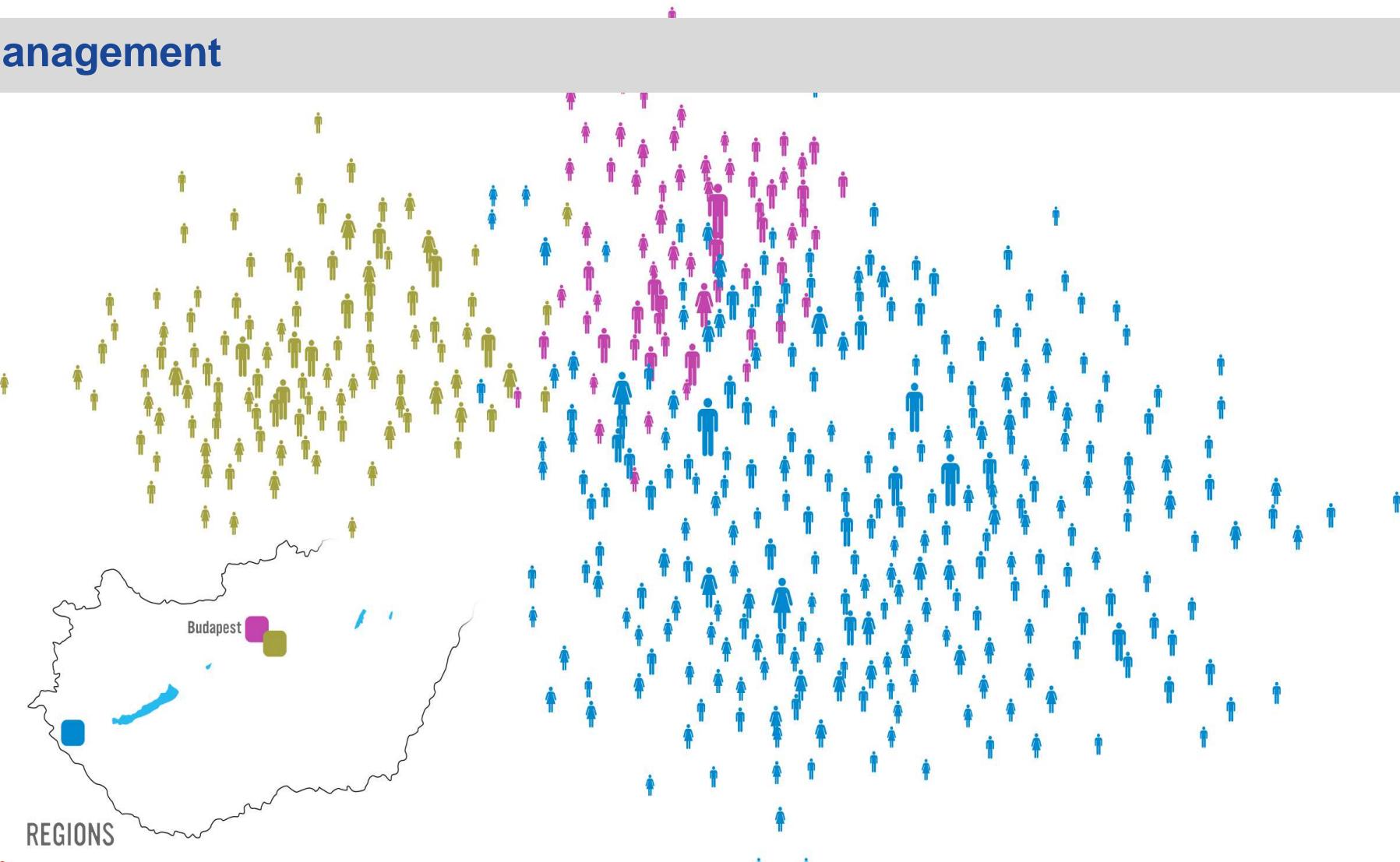
In September 2010 the National Institutes of Health awarded \$40 million to researchers at Harvard, Washington University in St. Louis, the University of Minnesota and UCLA, to develop the technologies that could systematically map out brain circuits.

**The Human Connectome Project (HCP)** with the ambitious goal to construct a map of the complete structural and functional neural connections *in vivo* within and across individuals.

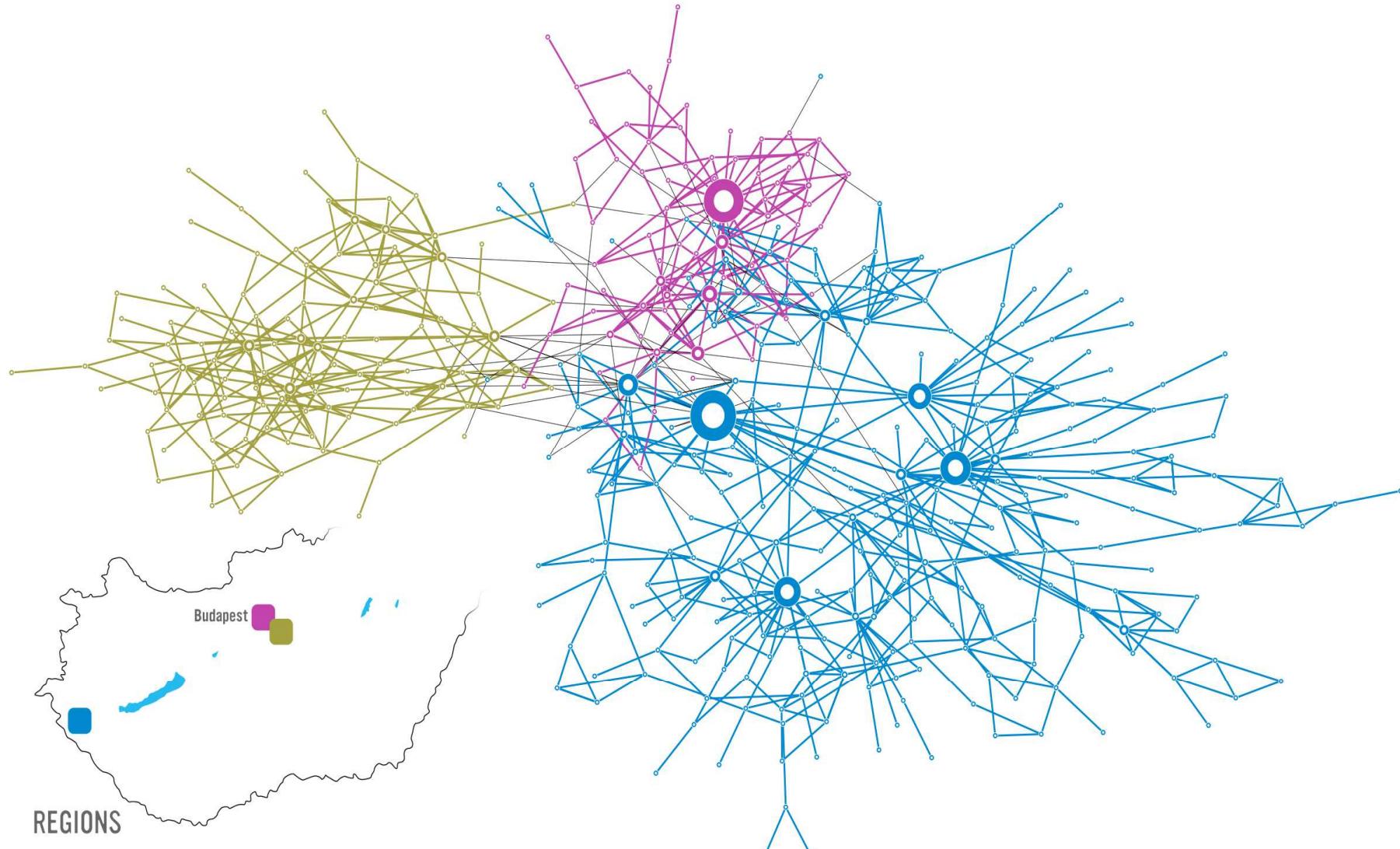
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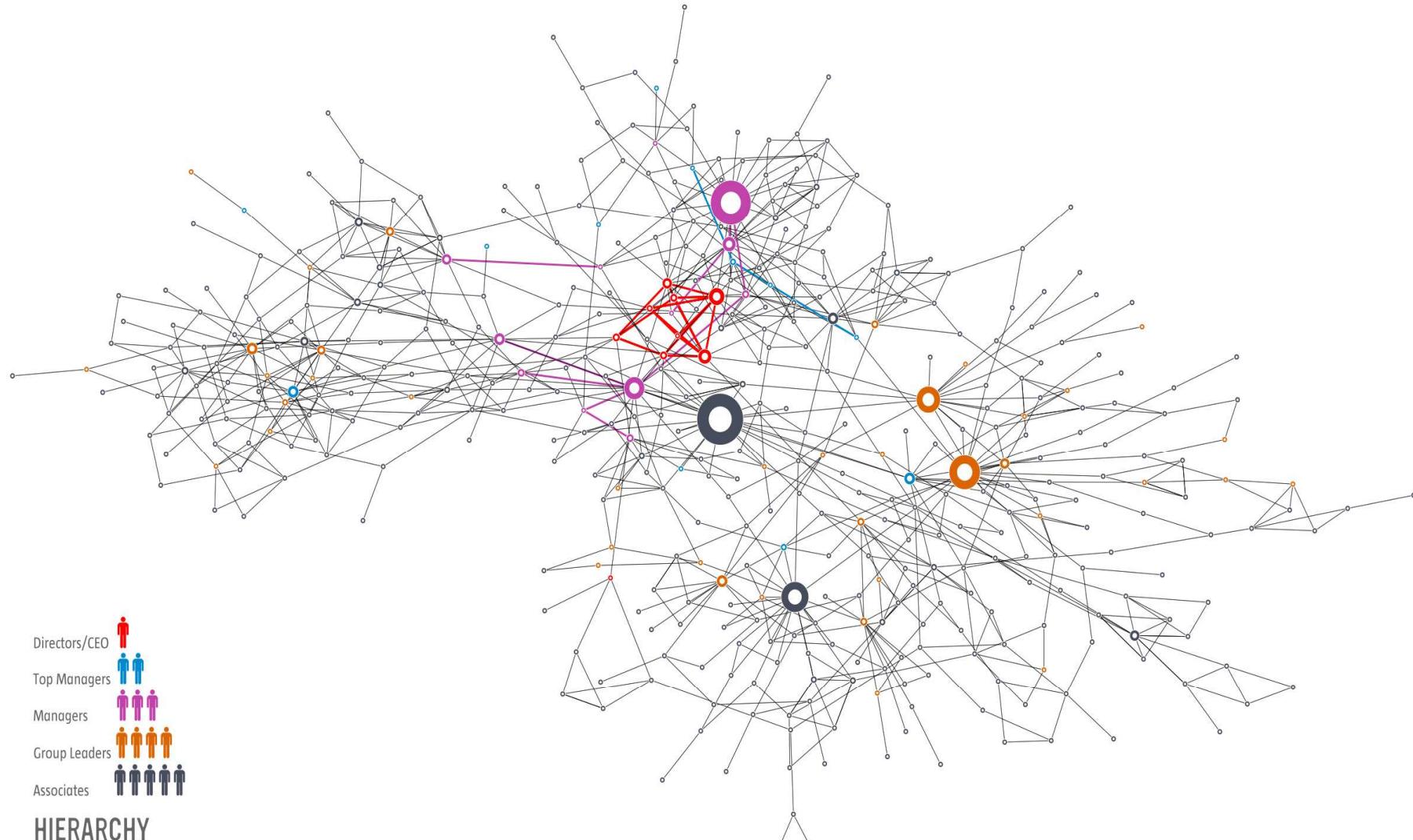


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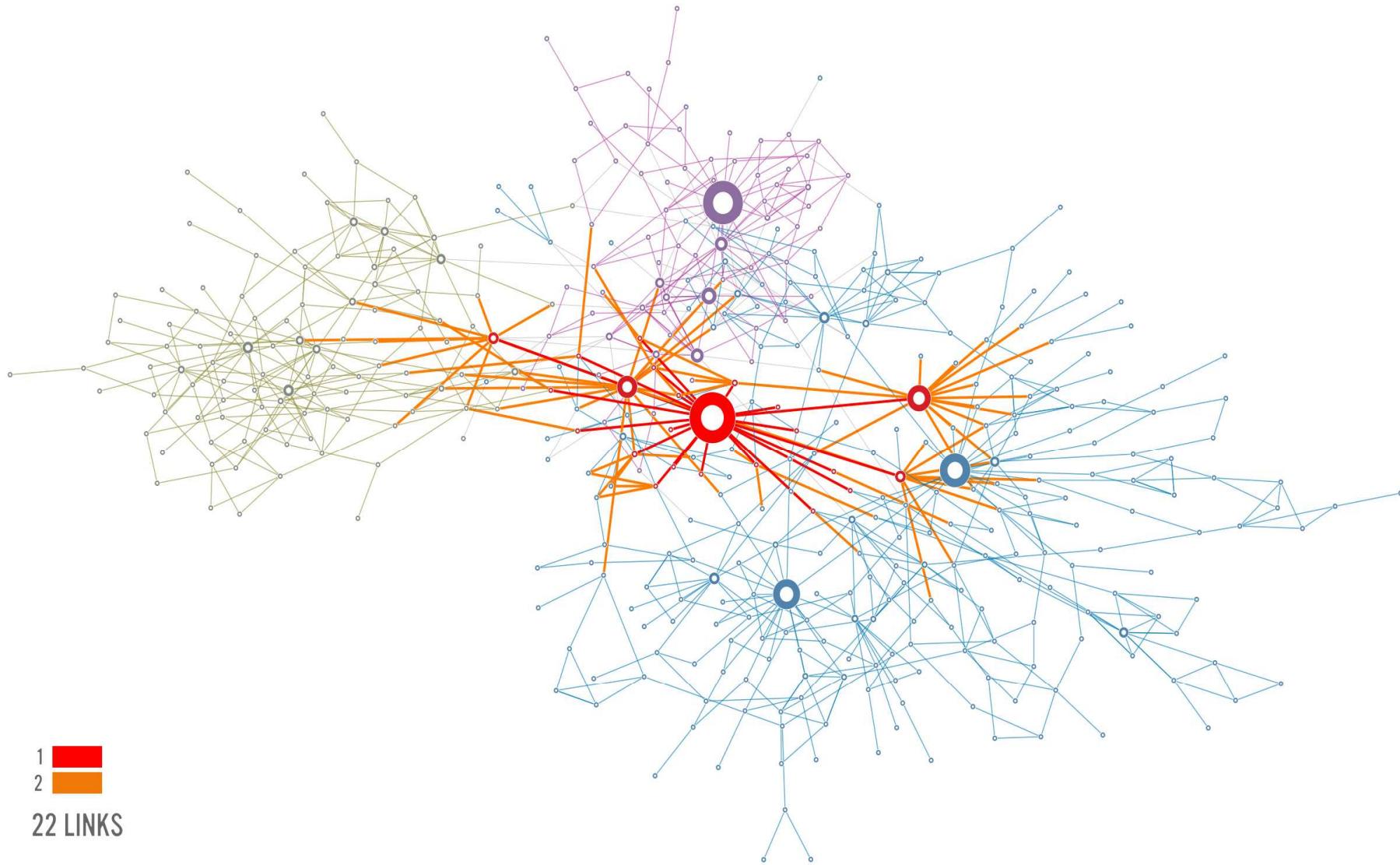
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HIERARCHY

Directors/CEO	
Top Managers	
Managers	
Group Leaders	
Associates	

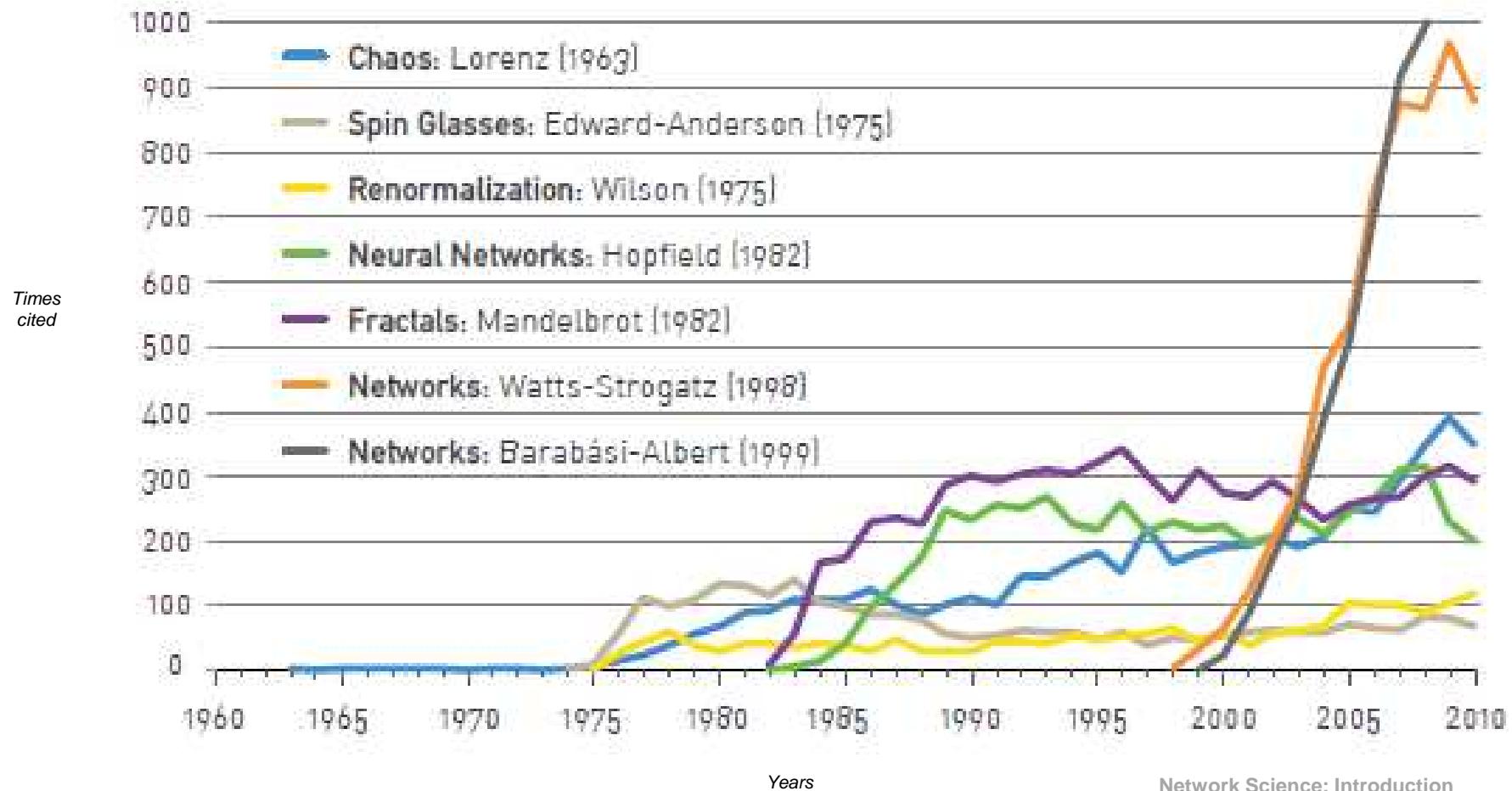


## Section 8

# SCIENTIFIC IMPACT

# NETWORK SCIENCE

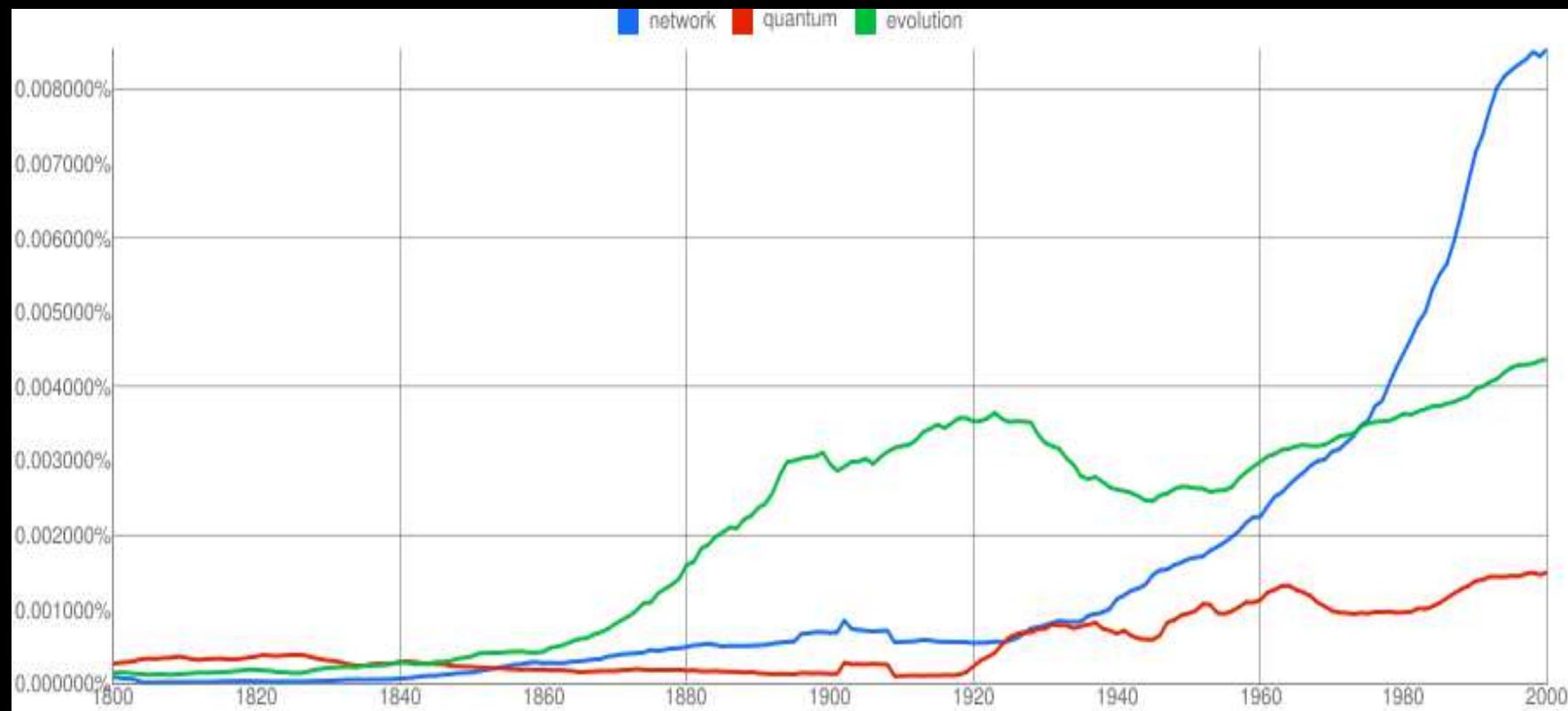
## The science of the 21<sup>st</sup> century



# SUMMARY

NGRAMS

## Networks Awareness



MOST IMPORTANT

Networks Really Matter

If you were to understand the spread of diseases,  
**can you do it without networks?**

If you were to understand the WWW structure,  
searchability, etc, **hopeless without invoking the  
Web's topology.**

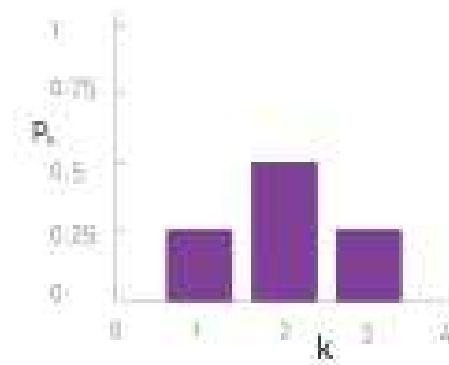
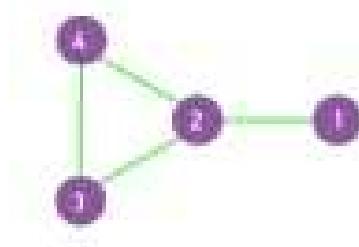
If you want to understand human diseases, **it is  
hopeless without considering the wiring  
diagram of the cell.**

# Some Graph Properties

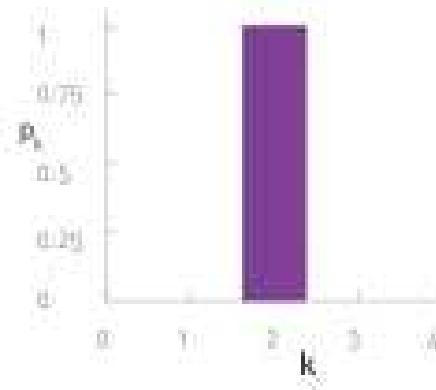
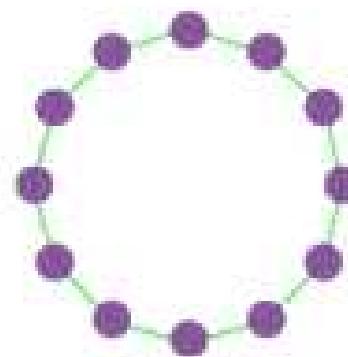
## DEGREE DISTRIBUTION

### Degree distribution

$P(k)$ : probability that a randomly chosen node has degree  $k$



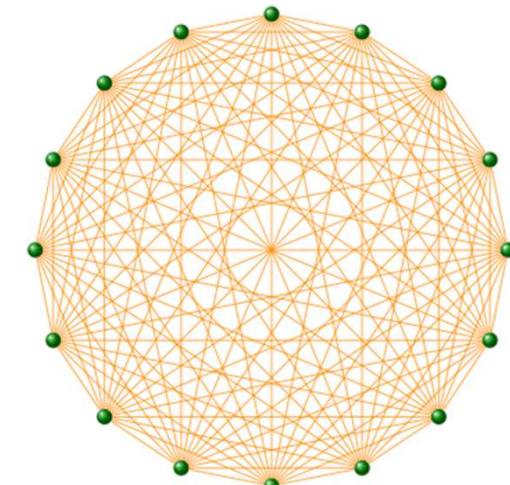
$N_k = \# \text{ nodes with degree } k$



$P(k) = N_k / N$     ❾ plot

## COMPLETE GRAPH

The maximum number of links a network of  $N$  nodes can have is:  $L_{\max} = \binom{N}{2} = \frac{N(N-1)}{2}$



A graph with degree  $L=L_{\max}$  is called a **complete graph**, and its average degree is  $\langle k \rangle = N-1$

## REAL NETWORKS ARE SPARSE

**Most networks observed in real systems are sparse:**

$$L \ll L_{\max}$$

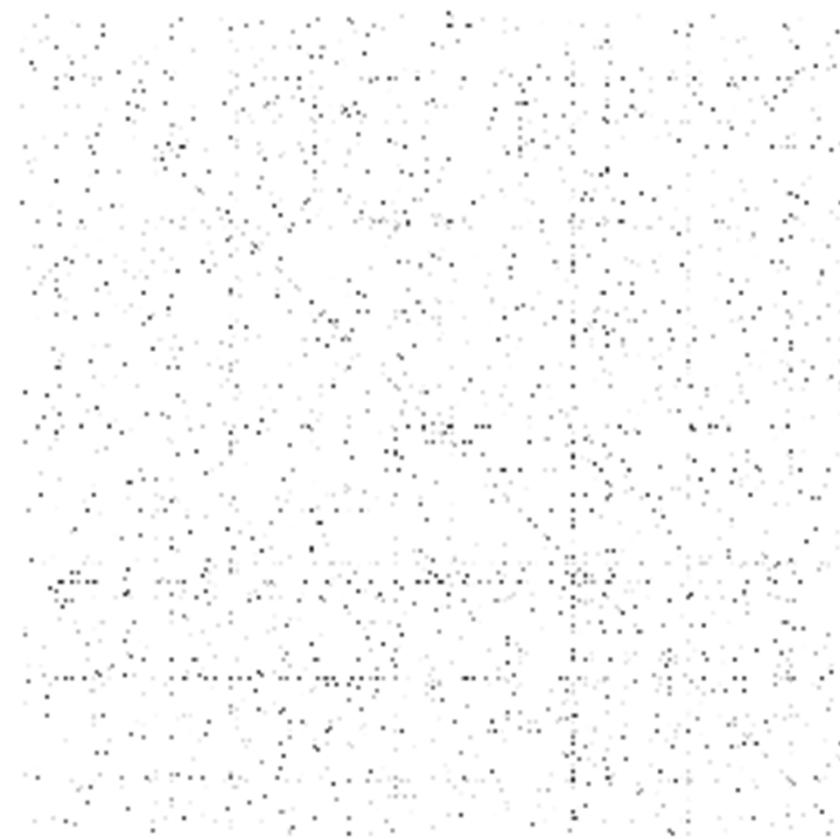
or

$$\langle k \rangle \ll N-1.$$

WWW (ND Sample):	$N=325,729;$	$L=1.4 \cdot 10^6$	$L_{\max}=10^{12}$	$\langle k \rangle=4.51$
Protein ( <i>S. Cerevisiae</i> ):	$N=1,870;$	$L=4,470$	$L_{\max}=10^7$	$\langle k \rangle=2.39$
Coauthorship (Math):	$N=70,975;$	$L=2 \cdot 10^5$	$L_{\max}=3 \cdot 10^{10}$	$\langle k \rangle=3.9$
Movie Actors:	$N=212,250;$	$L=6 \cdot 10^6$	$L_{\max}=1.8 \cdot 10^{13}$	$\langle k \rangle=28.78$

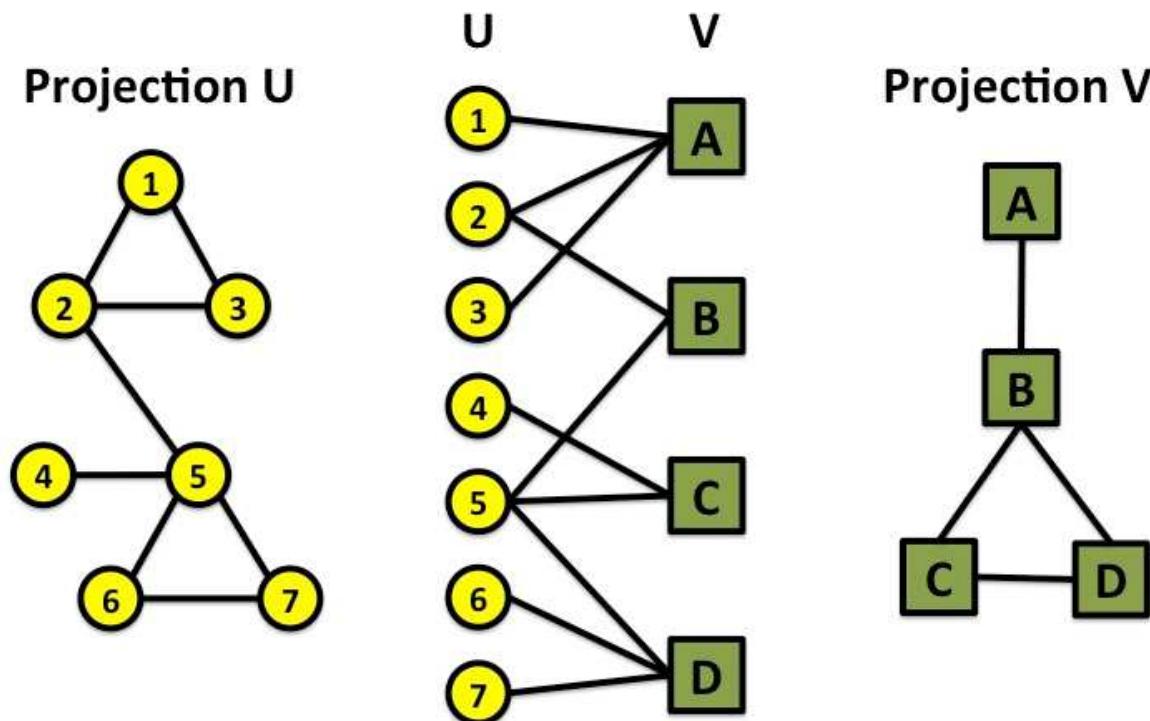
(Source: Albert, Barabasi, RMP2002)

## ADJACENCY MATRICES ARE SPARSE



## BIPARTITE GRAPHS

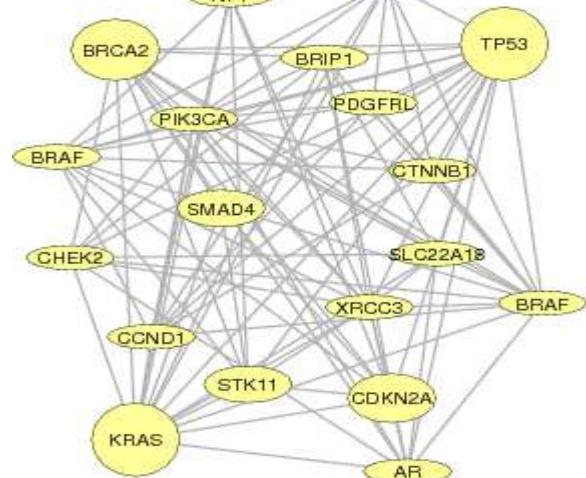
**bipartite graph** (or **bigraph**) is a [graph](#) whose nodes can be divided into two [disjoint sets](#)  $U$  and  $V$  such that every link connects a node in  $U$  to one in  $V$ ; that is,  $U$  and  $V$  are [independent sets](#).



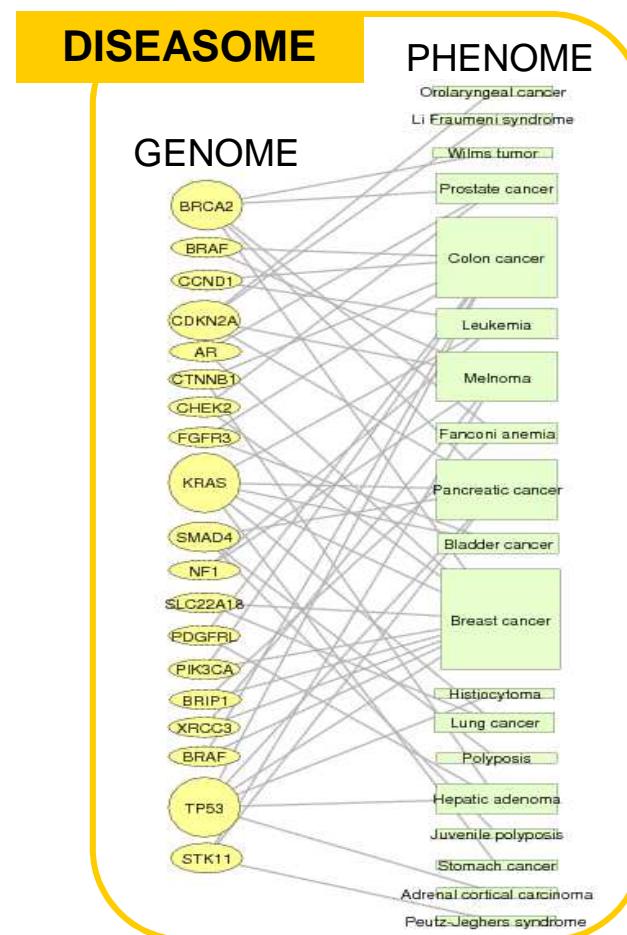
### Examples:

Hollywood actor network  
Collaboration networks  
Disease network (diseasome)

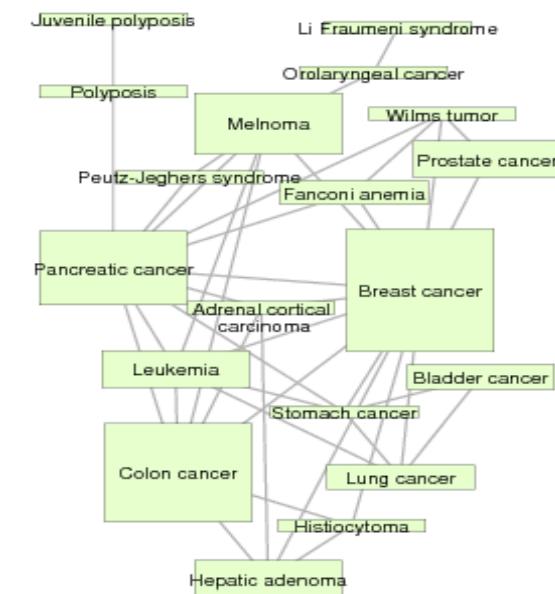
# GENE NETWORK – DISEASE NETWORK



Gene network



Goh, Cusick, Valle, Childs, Vidal & Barabási, PNAS (2007)

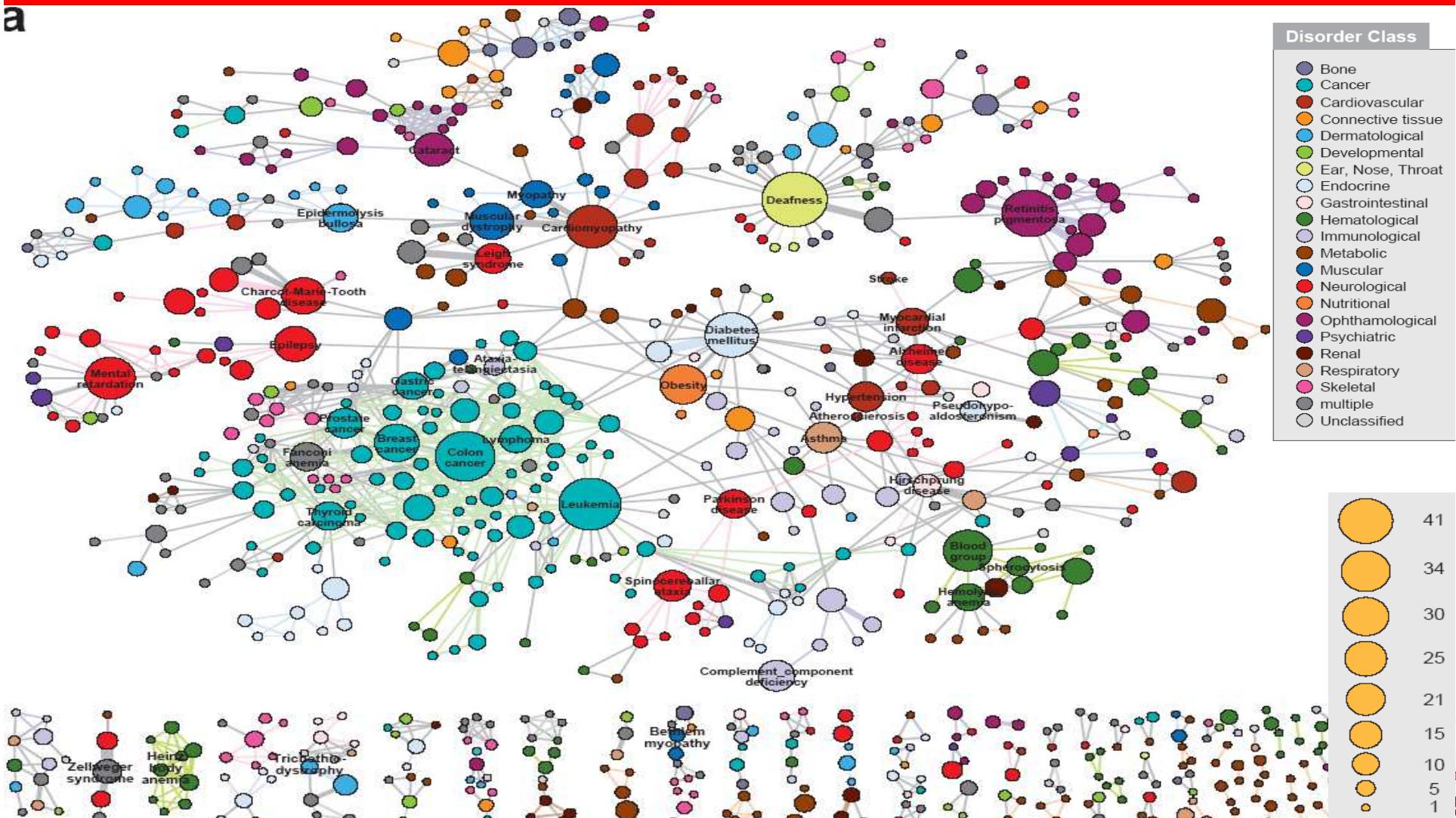


Disease network

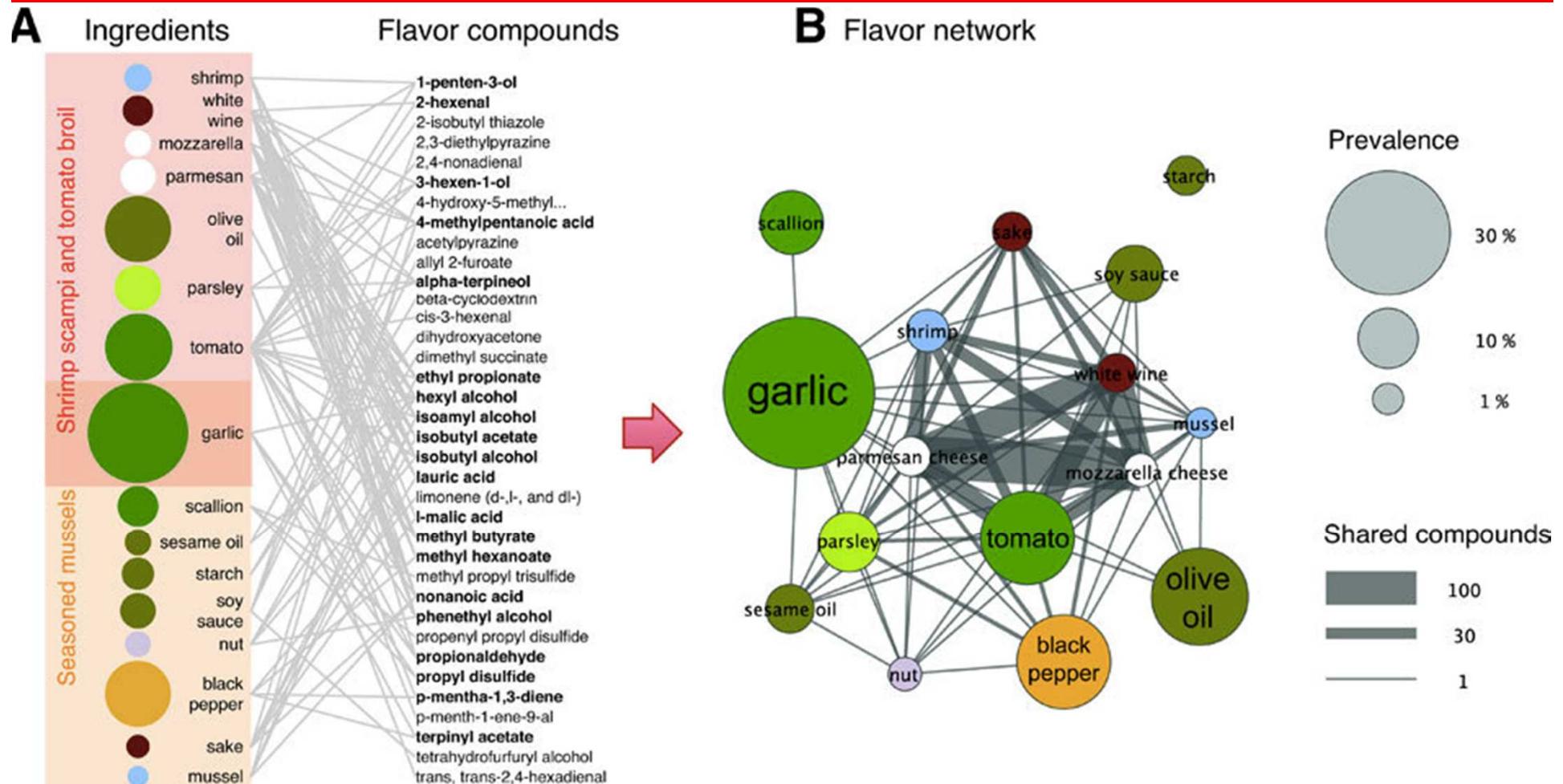
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# HUMAN DISEASE NETWORK

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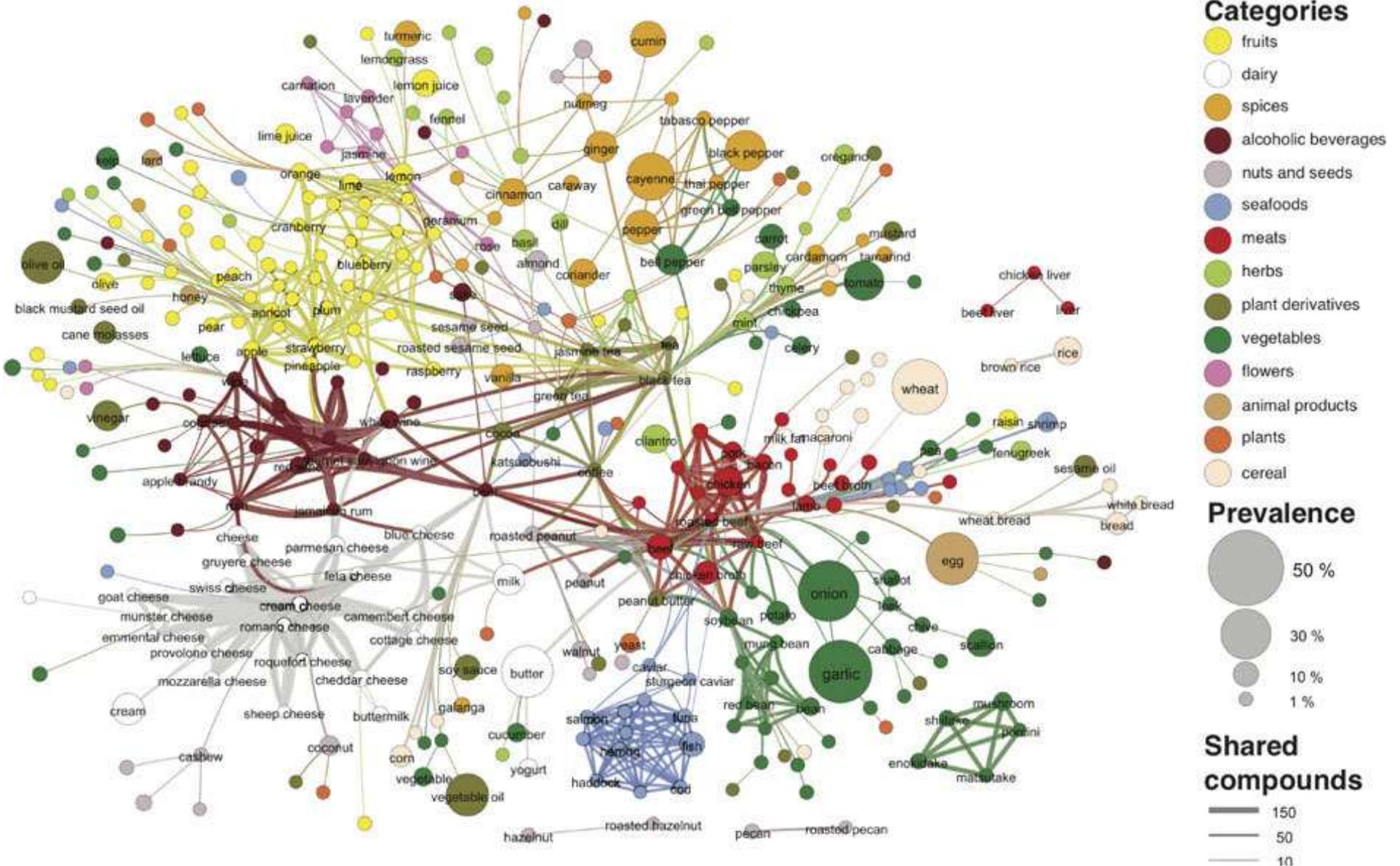


# Ingredient-Flavor Bipartite Network



Y.-Y. Ahn, S. E. Ahnert, J. P. Bagrow, A.-L. Barabási *Flavor network and the principles of food pairing*, *Scientific Reports* 196, (2011).

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# Clustering coefficient

## CLUSTERING COEFFICIENT

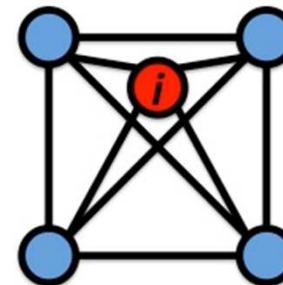
### \* Clustering coefficient:

what fraction of your neighbors are connected?

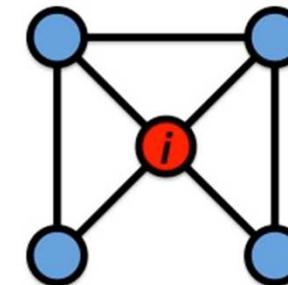
\* Node  $i$  with degree  $k_i$

\*  $C_i$  in  $[0,1]$

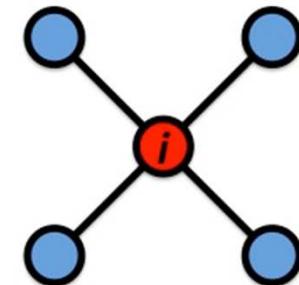
$$C_i = \frac{2e_i}{k_i(k_i - 1)}$$



$$C_i = 1$$



$$C_i = 1/2$$



$$C_i = 0$$

Watts & Strogatz, Nature 1998.

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## CLUSTERING COEFFICIENT

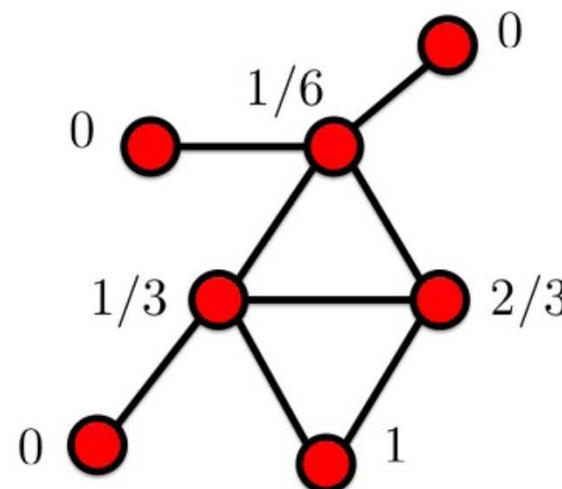
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$$C_i = \frac{2e_i}{k_i(k_i - 1)}$$



$$\langle C \rangle = \frac{13}{42} \approx 0.310$$

$$C = \frac{3}{8} = 0.375$$

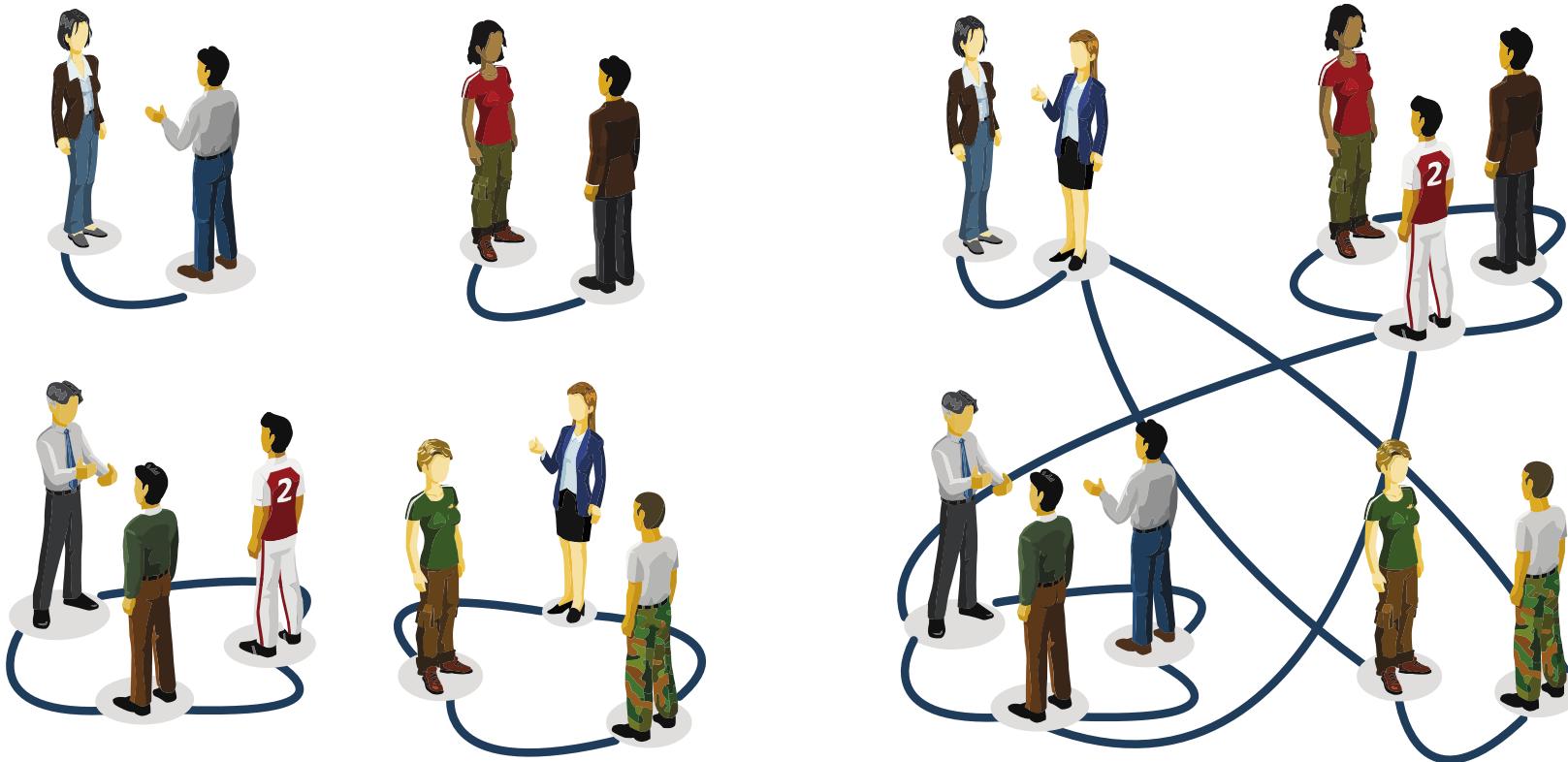
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## Section 12

# Random Networks

## RANDOM NETWORK MODEL

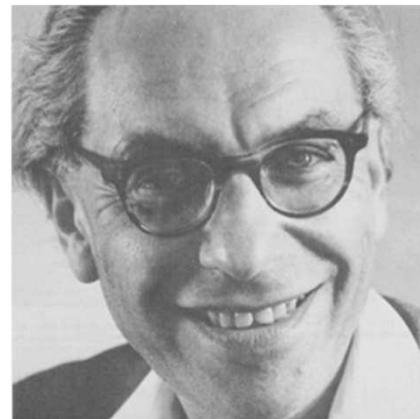


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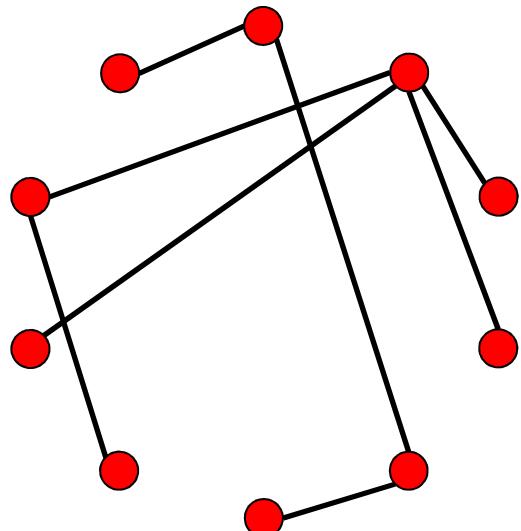
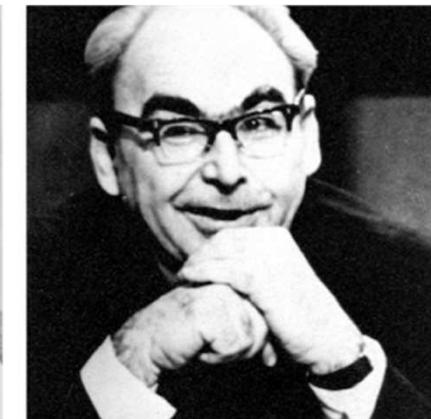
# The random network model

# RANDOM NETWORK MODEL

Pál Erdős  
(1913-1996)



Alfréd Rényi  
(1921-1970)



Erdős-Rényi model (1960)

Connect with probability  $p$

$p=1/6$   $N=10$

$\langle k \rangle \sim 1.5$

# RANDOM NETWORK MODEL

## Definition:

A **random graph** is a graph of  $N$  nodes where each pair of nodes is connected by probability  $p$ .

### $G(N, L)$ Model

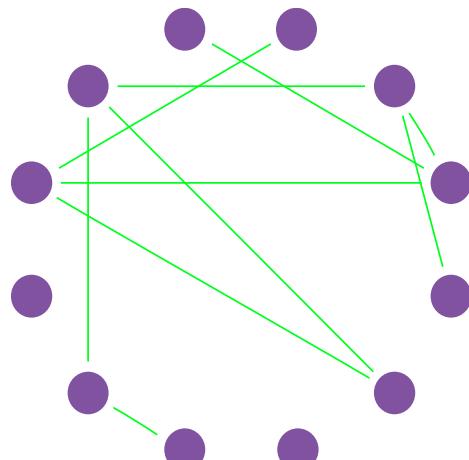
$N$  labeled nodes are connected with  $L$  randomly placed links. Erdős and Rényi used this definition in their string of papers on random networks [2-9].

### $G(N, p)$ Model

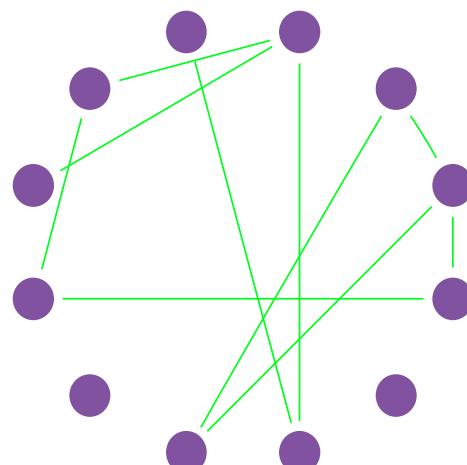
Each pair of  $N$  labeled nodes is connected with probability  $p$ , a model introduced by Gilbert [10].

## RANDOM NETWORK MODEL

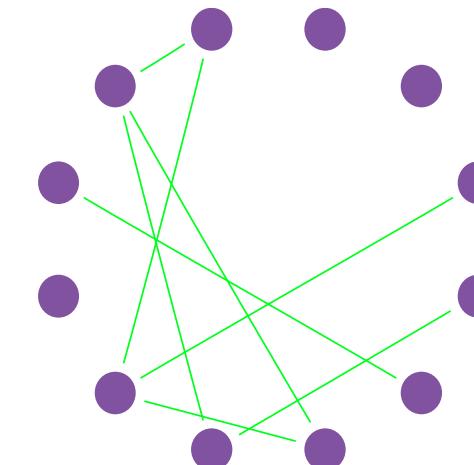
$p=1/6$   
 $N=12$



$L=8$



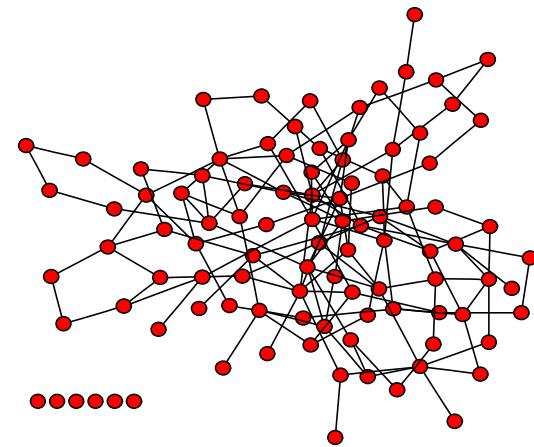
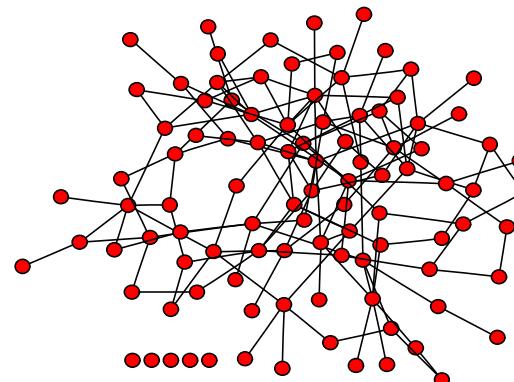
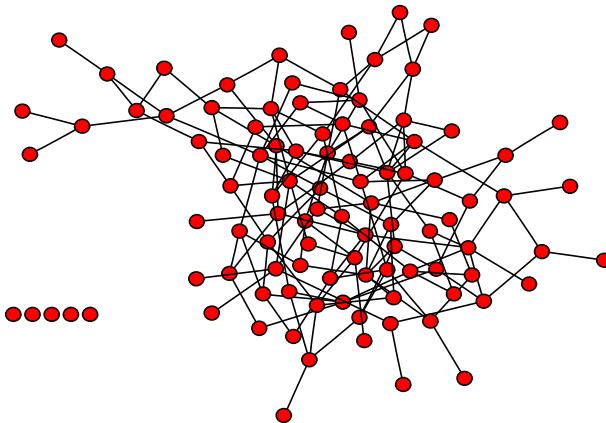
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$L=7$

## RANDOM NETWORK MODEL

$p=0.03$   
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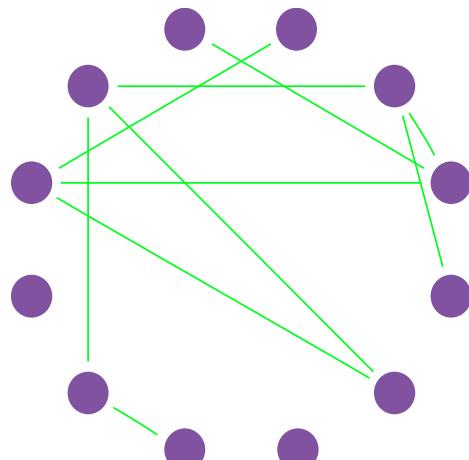


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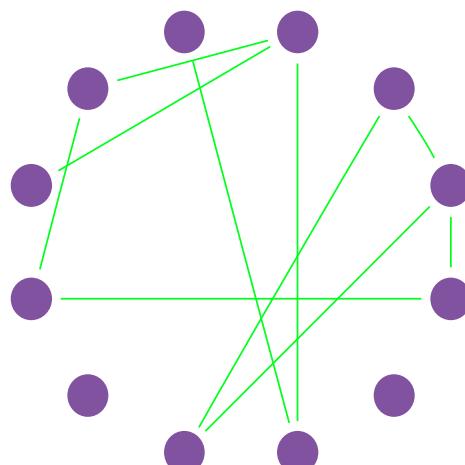
The number of links is variable

## RANDOM NETWORK MODEL

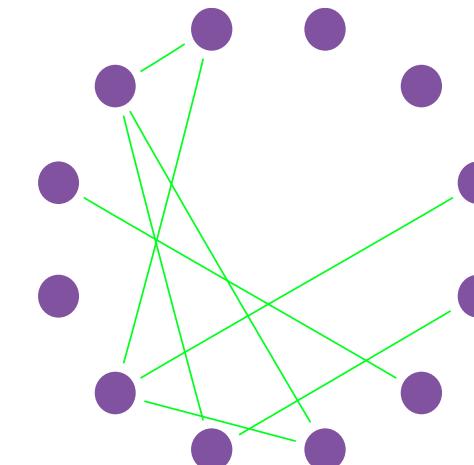
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$L=8$



$L=10$



$L=7$

## Number of links in a random network

$P(L)$ : the probability to have exactly  $L$  links in a network of  $N$  nodes and probability  $p$ :

$$P(L) = \binom{N}{L} p^L (1-p)^{\frac{N(N-1)}{2} - L}$$

The maximum number of links  
in a network of  $N$  nodes.

Binomial distribution...

Number of different ways we can choose  
 $L$  links among all potential links.

## MATH TUTORIAL

## Binomial Distribution: The bottom line

$$P(x) = \binom{N}{x} p^x (1-p)^{N-x}$$

$$\langle x \rangle = Np$$

$$\langle x^2 \rangle = p(1-p)N + p^2 N^2$$

$$\sigma_x = (\langle k^2 \rangle - \langle k \rangle^2)^{1/2} = [p(1-p)N]^{1/2}$$

<http://kerala2008.blogspot.com/2008/10/derivation-of-mean-and-variance-of.html>

Network Science: Random Graphs

## RANDOM NETWORK MODEL

**P(L)**: the probability to have a network of exactly  $L$  links

$$P(L) = \binom{N}{L} p^L (1-p)^{\frac{N(N-1)}{2} - L}$$

- The average number of links  $\langle L \rangle$  in a random graph

$$\langle L \rangle = \sum_{L=0}^{\frac{N(N-1)}{2}} L P(L) = p \frac{N(N-1)}{2}$$

$$\langle k \rangle = 2L/N = p(N-1)$$

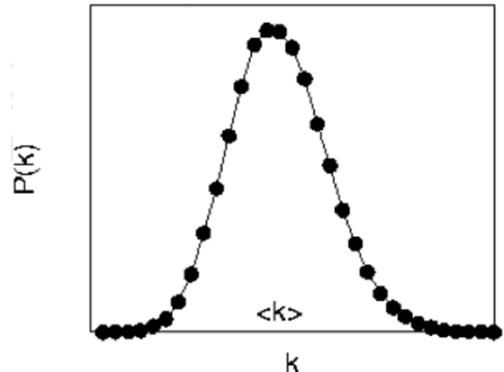
- The standard deviation

$$\sigma^2 = p(1-p) \frac{N(N-1)}{2}$$

## Section 12.3

# Degree distribution

## DEGREE DISTRIBUTION OF A RANDOM GRAPH



$$P(k) = \binom{N-1}{k} p^k (1-p)^{(N-1)-k}$$

Select k nodes from N-1

probability of having  $k$  edges

probability of missing  $N-1-k$  edges

$$\langle k \rangle = p(N-1)$$

$$\sigma_k^2 = p(1-p)(N-1)$$

$$\frac{\sigma_k}{\langle k \rangle} = \left[ \frac{1-p}{p} \frac{1}{(N-1)} \right]^{1/2} \approx \frac{1}{(N-1)^{1/2}}$$

As the network size increases, the distribution becomes increasingly narrow—we are increasingly confident that the degree of a node is in the vicinity of  $\langle k \rangle$ .

## DEGREE DISTRIBUTION OF A RANDOM GRAPH

$$P(k) = \binom{N-1}{k} p^k (1-p)^{(N-1)-k}$$

$$\langle k \rangle = p(N-1)$$

$$p = \frac{\langle k \rangle}{(N-1)}$$

For large  $N$  and small  $k$ , we can use the following approximations:

$$\binom{N-1}{k} = \frac{(N-1)!}{k!(N-1-k)!} = \frac{(N-1)(N-1-1)(N-1-2)\dots(N-1-k+1)(N-1-k)!}{k!(N-1-k)!} = \frac{(N-1)^k}{k!}$$

$$\ln[(1-p)^{(N-1)-k}] = (N-1-k) \ln\left(1 - \frac{\langle k \rangle}{N-1}\right) = -(N-1-k) \frac{\langle k \rangle}{N-1} = -\langle k \rangle \left(1 - \frac{k}{N-1}\right) \approx -\langle k \rangle$$

$$(1-p)^{(N-1)-k} = e^{-\langle k \rangle}$$

$$\ln(1+x) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n+1}}{n} x^n = x - \frac{x^2}{2} + \frac{x^3}{3} - \dots \quad \text{for } |x| \leq 1$$

$$P(k) = \binom{N-1}{k} p^k (1-p)^{(N-1)-k} = \frac{(N-1)^k}{k!} p^k e^{-\langle k \rangle} = \frac{(N-1)^k}{k!} \left(\frac{\langle k \rangle}{N-1}\right)^k e^{-\langle k \rangle} = e^{-\langle k \rangle} \frac{\langle k \rangle^k}{k!}$$

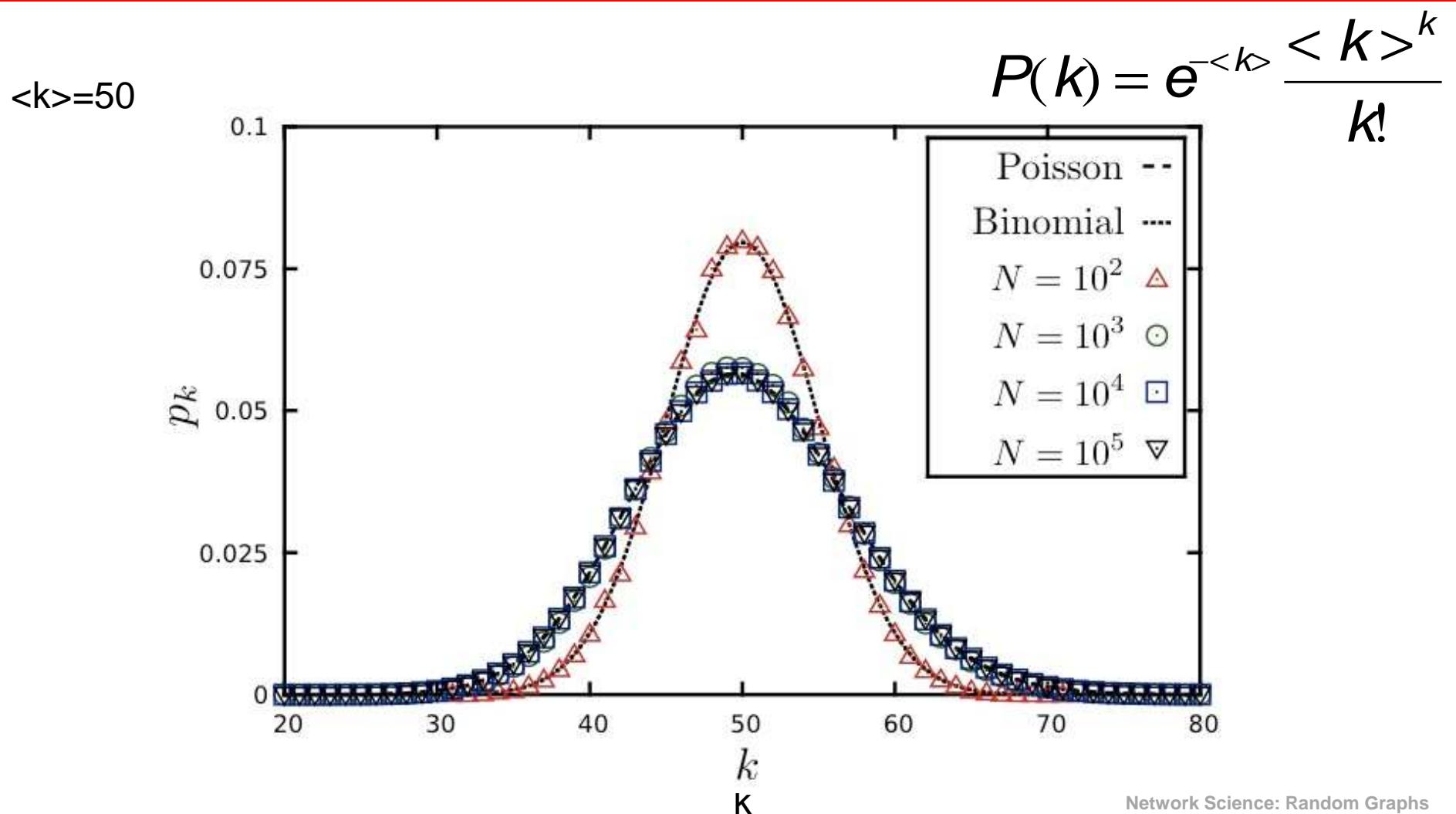
## POISSON DEGREE DISTRIBUTION

$$P(k) = \binom{N-1}{k} p^k (1-p)^{(N-1)-k}$$
$$\langle k \rangle = p(N-1)$$
$$p = \frac{\langle k \rangle}{(N-1)}$$

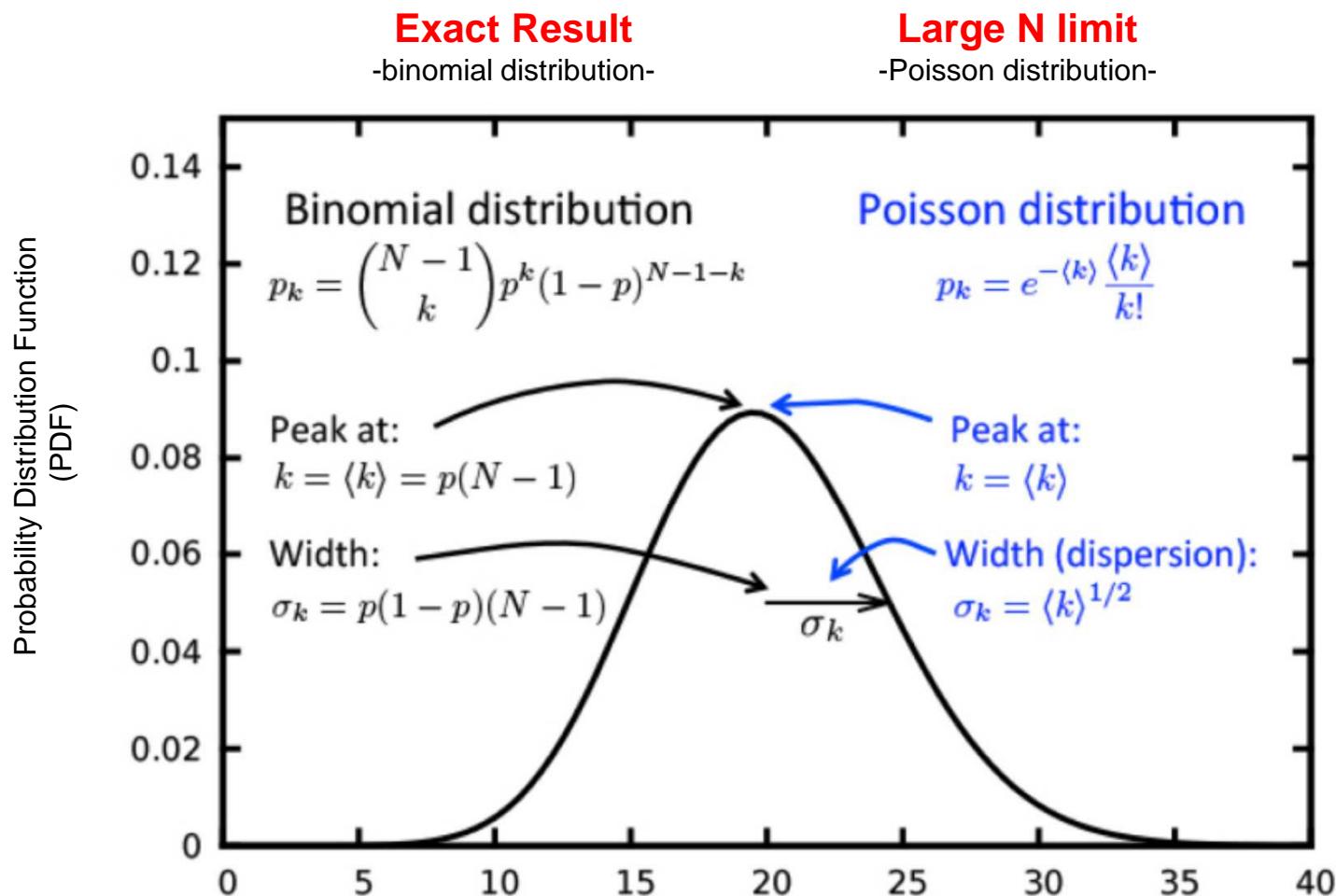
For large  $N$  and small  $k$ , we arrive to the Poisson distribution:

$$P(k) = e^{-\langle k \rangle} \frac{\langle k \rangle^k}{k!}$$

## DEGREE DISTRIBUTION OF A RANDOM GRAPH



## DEGREE DISTRIBUTION OF A RANDOM NETWORK

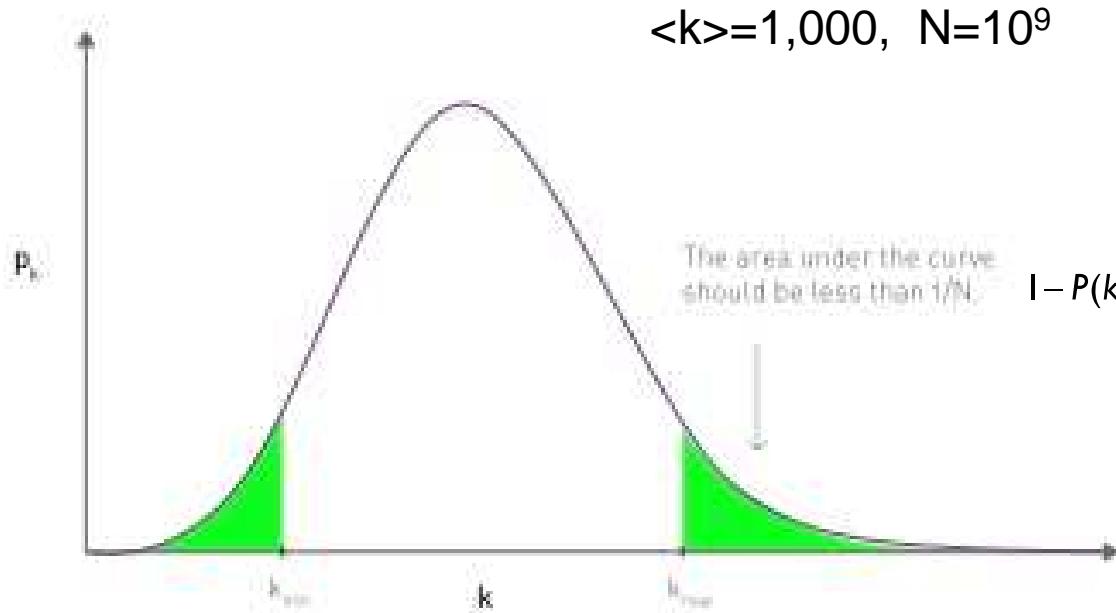


## Section 12.4

# Real Networks are not Poisson

## Section 12.5

## Maximum and minimum degree



$$N[1 - P(k_{max})] \approx 1.$$

$$1 - P(k_{max}) = 1 - e^{-\langle k \rangle} \sum_{k=0}^{k_{max}} \frac{\langle k \rangle^k}{k!} = e^{-\langle k \rangle} \sum_{k=k_{max}+1}^{\infty} \frac{\langle k \rangle^k}{k!} \approx e^{-\langle k \rangle} \frac{\langle k \rangle^{k_{max}+1}}{(k_{max}+1)!},$$

$$\langle k \rangle = 1,000, N = 10^9$$

$$k_{max} = 1,185$$

$$NP(k_{min}) \approx 1.$$

$$P(k_{min}) = e^{-\langle k \rangle} \sum_{k=0}^{k_{min}} \frac{\langle k \rangle^k}{k!}. \quad k_{min} = 816$$

$$\langle k \rangle \pm \sigma_k \quad \sigma_k = \langle k \rangle^{1/2}$$

$$\sigma_k = 31.62.$$

## NO OUTLIERS IN A RANDOM SOCIETY

$$P(k) = e^{-\langle k \rangle} \frac{\langle k \rangle^k}{k!}$$

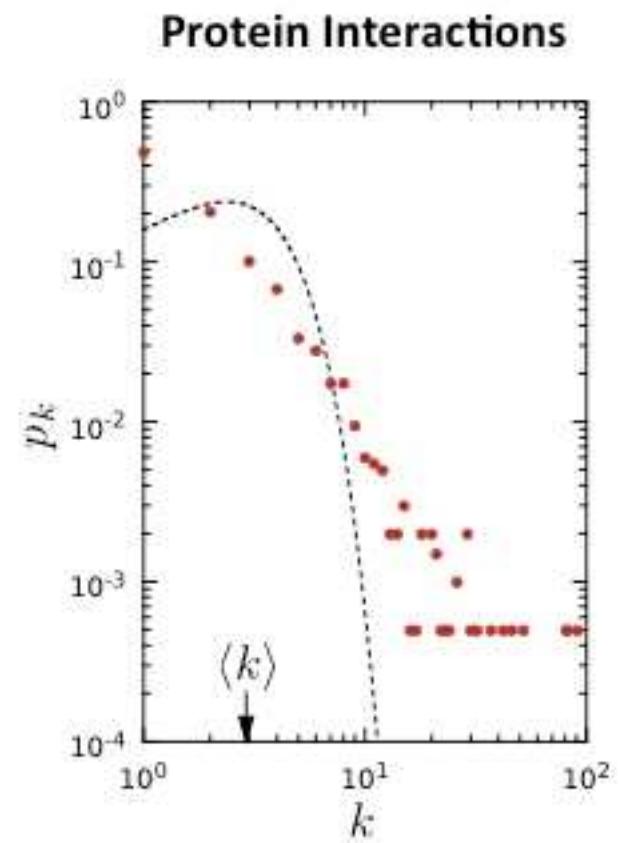
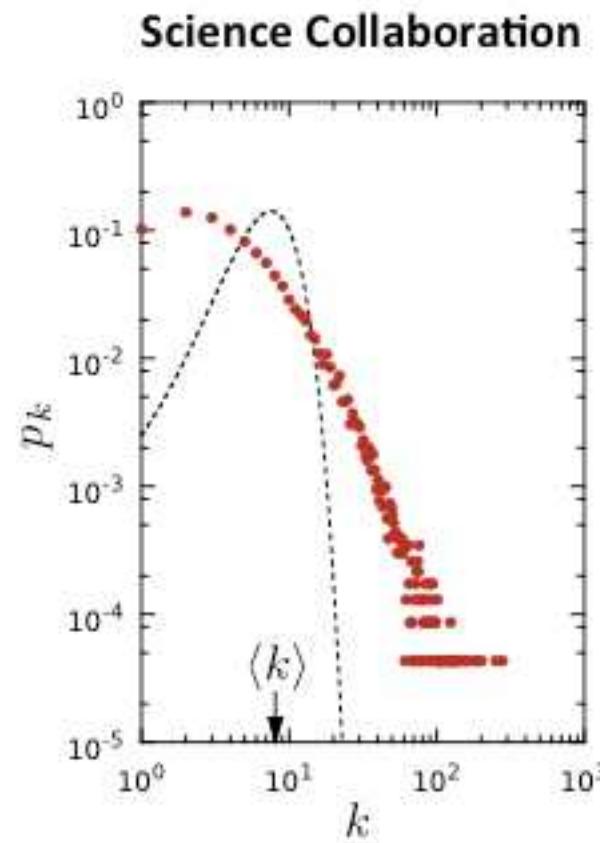
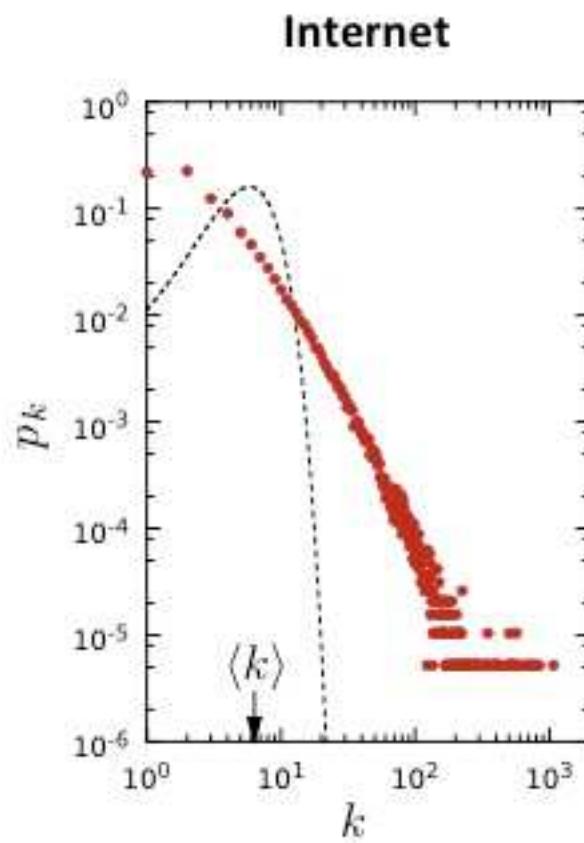
- The most connected individual has degree  $k_{\max} \sim 1,185$
- The least connected individual has degree  $k_{\min} \sim 816$

The probability to find an individual with degree  $k > 2,000$  is  $10^{-27}$ . Hence the chance of finding an individual with 2,000 acquaintances is so tiny that such nodes are virtually nonexistent in a random society.

- a random society would consist of mainly average individuals, with everyone with roughly the same number of friends.
- It would lack outliers, individuals that are either highly popular or reclusive.

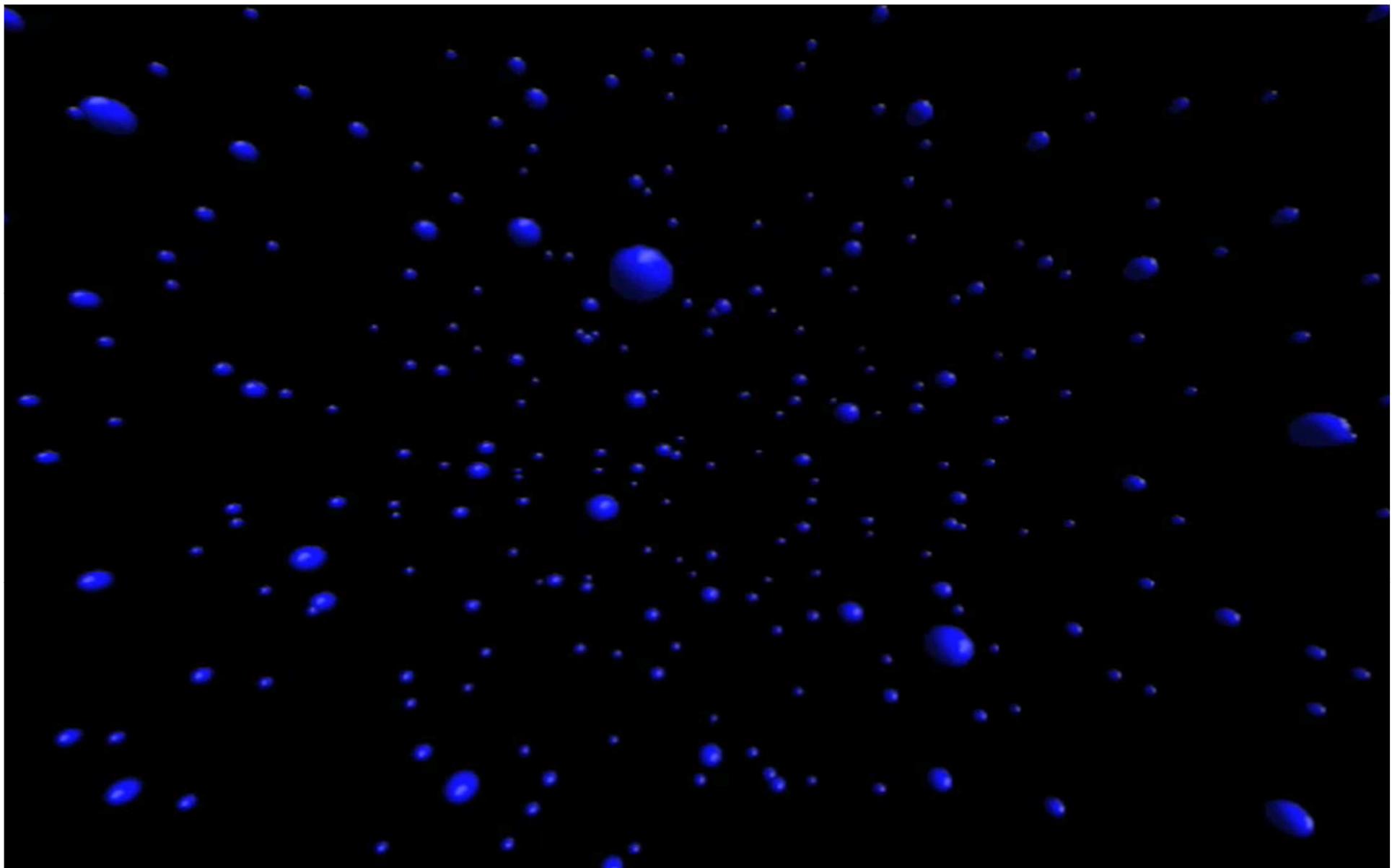
## FACING REALITY: Degree distribution of real networks

$$P(k) = e^{-\langle k \rangle} \frac{\langle k \rangle^k}{k!}$$



## Section 13

# The evolution of a random network

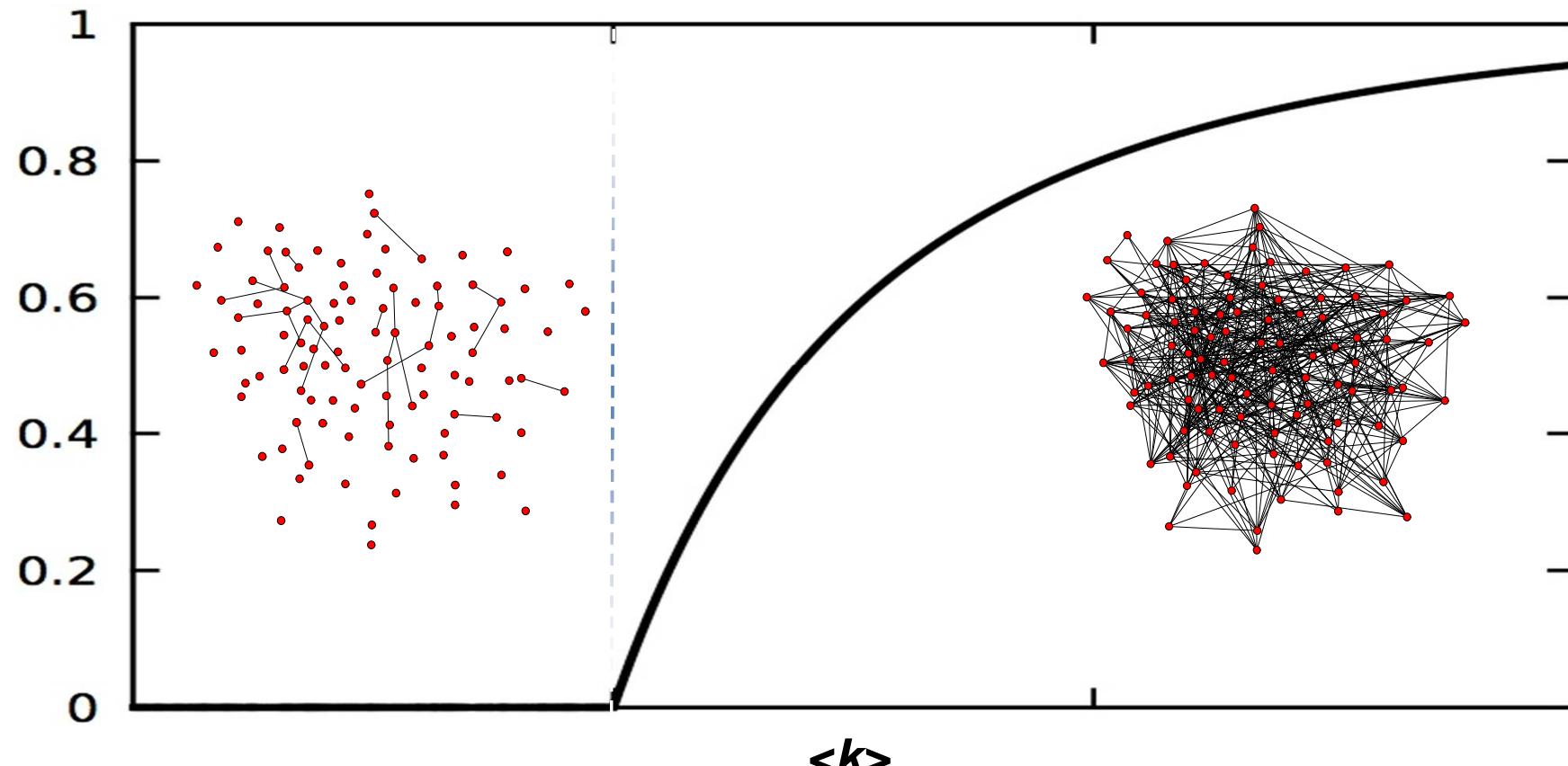


## EVOLUTION OF A RANDOM NETWORK

disconnected nodes



NETWORK.



How does this transition happen?

## EVOLUTION OF A RANDOM NETWORK

disconnected nodes → **NETWORK.**

$\langle k_c \rangle = 1$  (*Erdos and Renyi, 1959*)

The fact that at least one link per node is *necessary* to have a giant component is not unexpected. Indeed, for a giant component to exist, each of its nodes must be linked to at least one other node.

It is somewhat unexpected, however that one link is *sufficient* for the emergence of a giant component.

It is equally interesting that the emergence of the giant cluster is not gradual, but follows what physicists call a second order phase transition at  $\langle k \rangle = 1$ .

## Section 13.1

Let us denote with  $u = 1 - N_c/N$  the fraction of nodes that are not in the giant component ( $GC$ ), whose size we take to be  $N_c$ . If node  $i$  is part of the  $GC$ , it must link to another node  $j$ , which must also be part of the  $GC$ . Hence if  $i$  is *not* part of the  $GC$ , that could happen for two reasons:

- There is no link between  $i$  and  $j$  (probability for this is  $1-p$ ).
- There is a link between  $i$  and  $j$ , but  $j$  is not part of the  $GC$  (probability for this is  $pu$ ).

Therefore the total probability that  $i$  is not part of the  $GC$  via node  $j$  is  $1 - p + pu$ . The probability that  $i$  is not linked to the  $GC$  via any other node is therefore  $(1 - p + pu)^{N-1}$ , as there are  $N - 1$  nodes that could serve as potential links to the  $GC$  for node  $i$ . As  $u$  is the fraction of nodes that do not belong to the  $GC$ , for any  $p$  and  $N$  the solution of the equation

$$S = 1 - e^{-\langle k \rangle S}.$$

$$u = (1 - p + pu)^{N-1} \quad (3.30)$$

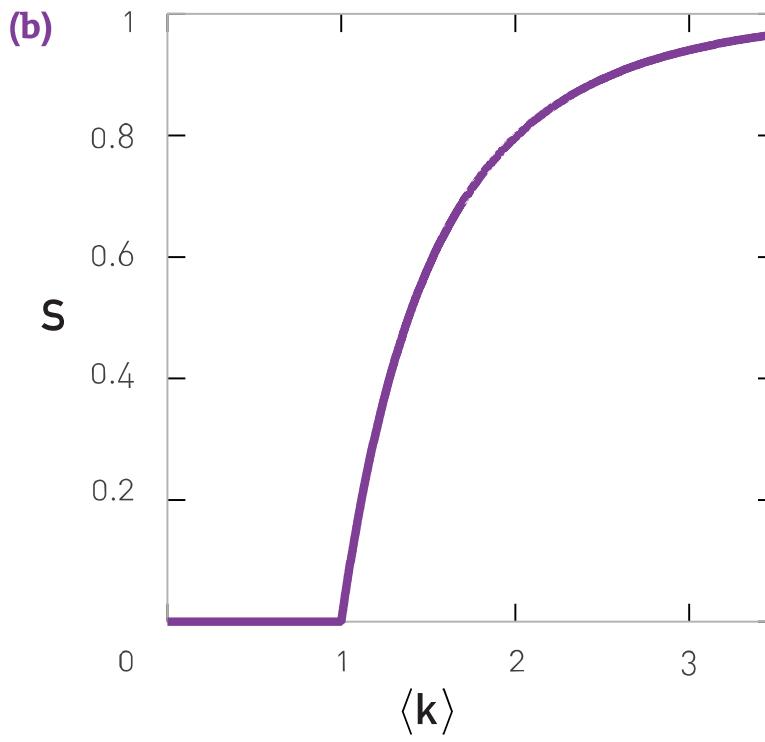
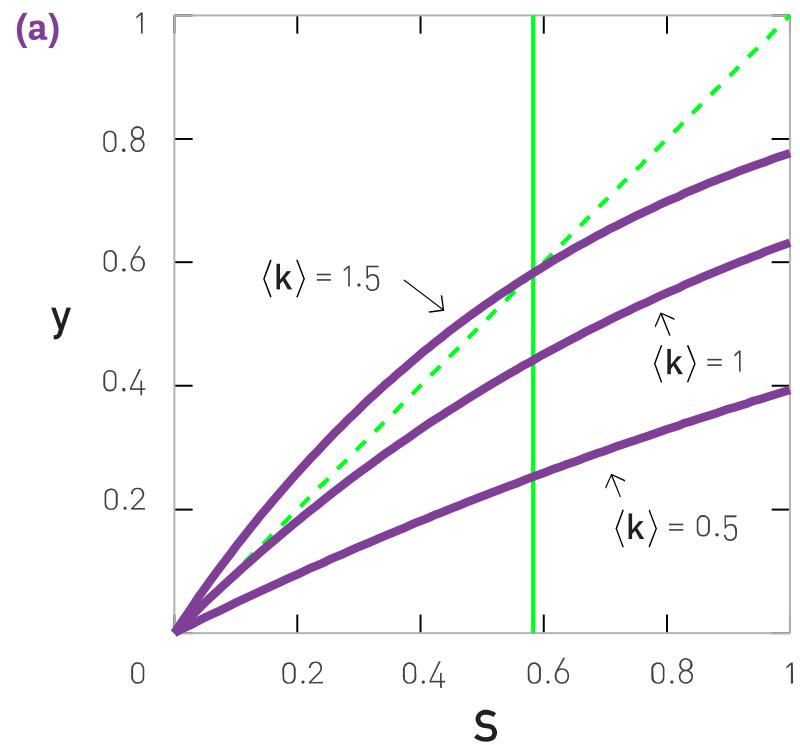
provides the size of the giant component via  $N_c = N(1 - u)$ . Using  $p = \langle k \rangle / (N - 1)$  and taking the log of both sides, for  $\langle k \rangle \ll N$  we obtain

$$\ln u \approx (N - 1) \ln \left[ 1 - \frac{\langle k \rangle}{N - 1} (1 - u) \right]. \quad (3.31)$$

Taking an exponential of both sides leads to  $u = \exp[-\langle k \rangle(1 - u)]$ . If we denote with  $S$  the fraction of nodes in the giant component,  $S = N_c / N$ , then  $S = 1 - u$  and (3.31) results in

## Section 13.1

$$S = 1 - e^{-\langle k \rangle S}. \quad (3.32)$$

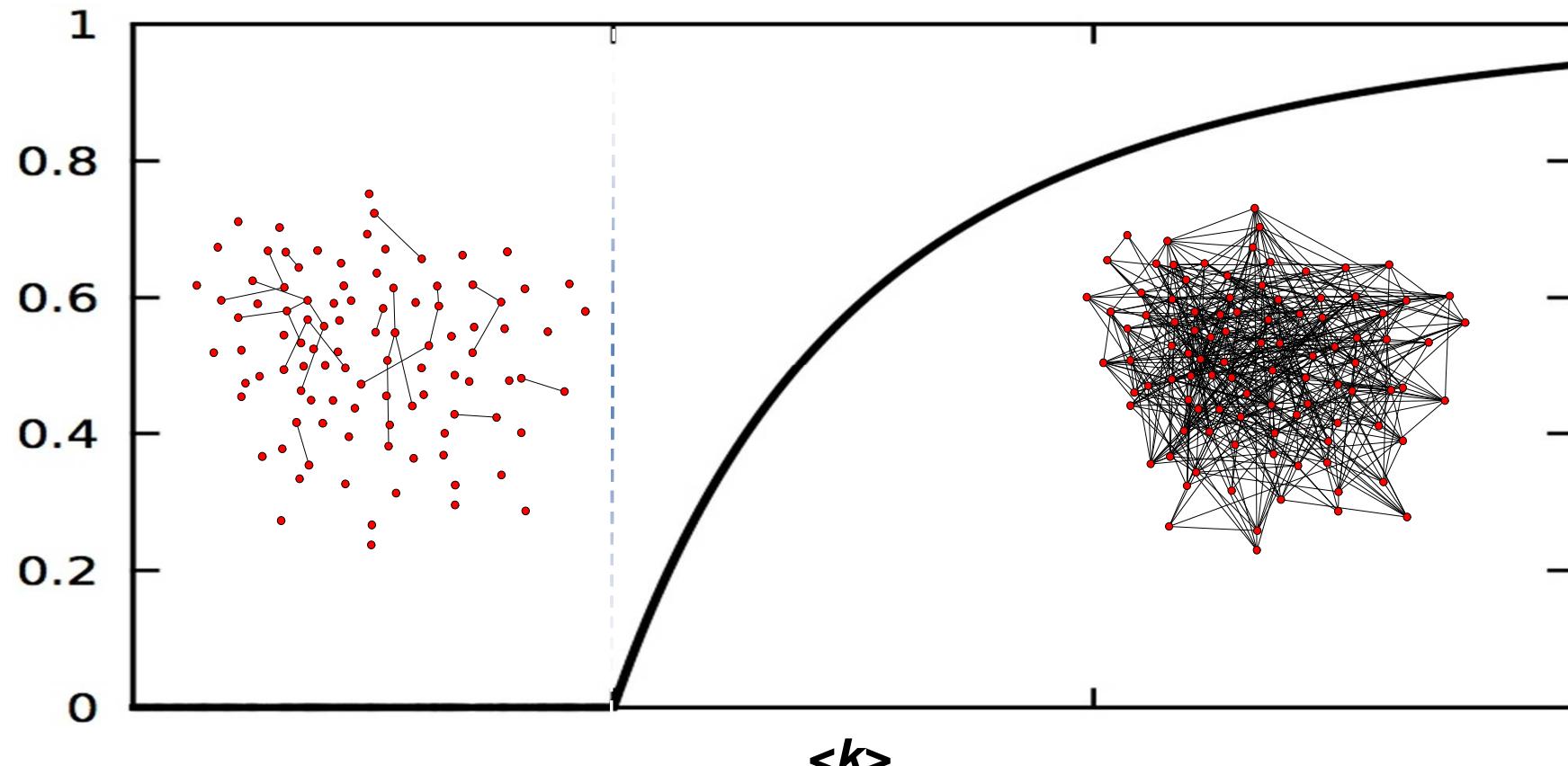


## EVOLUTION OF A RANDOM NETWORK

disconnected nodes

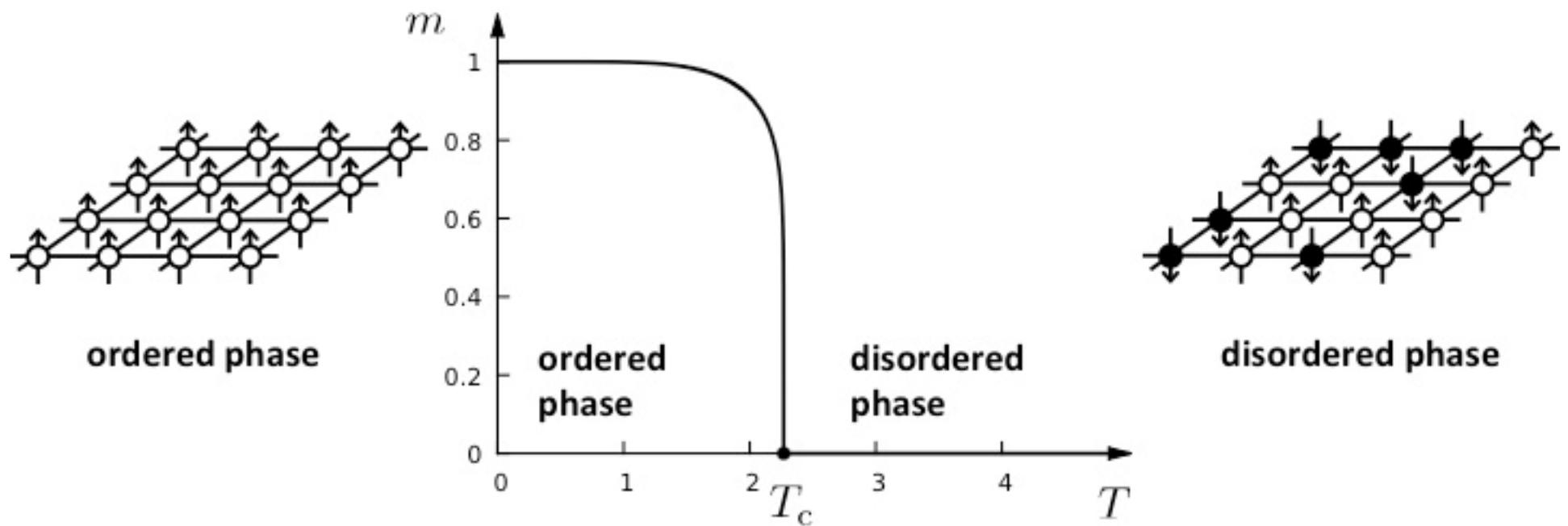


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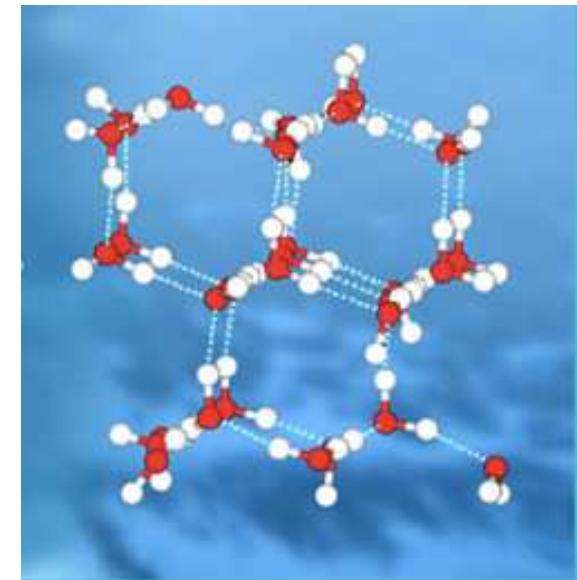
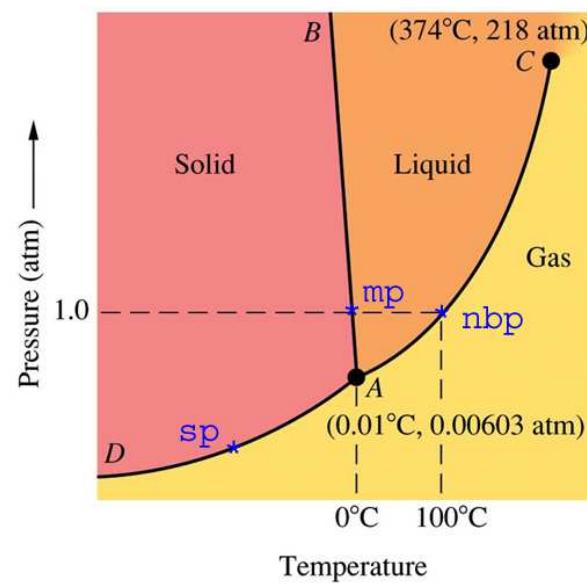
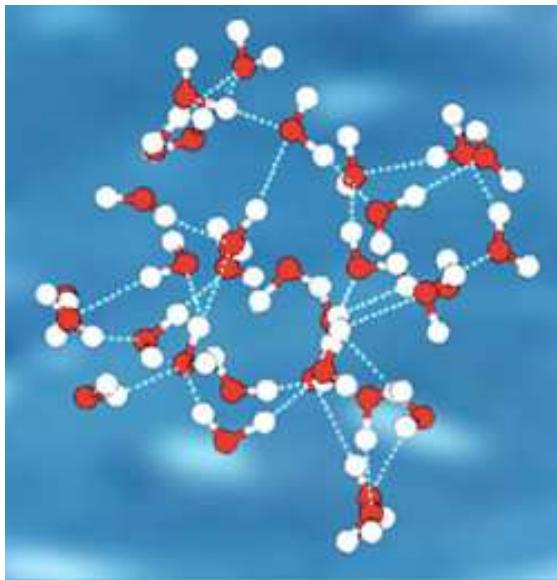


How does this transition happen?

## Phase transitions in complex systems I: Magnetism



# Phase transitions in complex systems I: liquids



Water

Ice

## CLUSTER SIZE DISTRIBUTION

Probability that a randomly selected node belongs to a cluster of size  $s$ :

$$p(s) = \frac{e^{-\langle k \rangle s} (\langle k \rangle s)^{s-1}}{s!}$$

$$\langle k \rangle^{s-1} = \exp[(s-1)\ln\langle k \rangle]$$

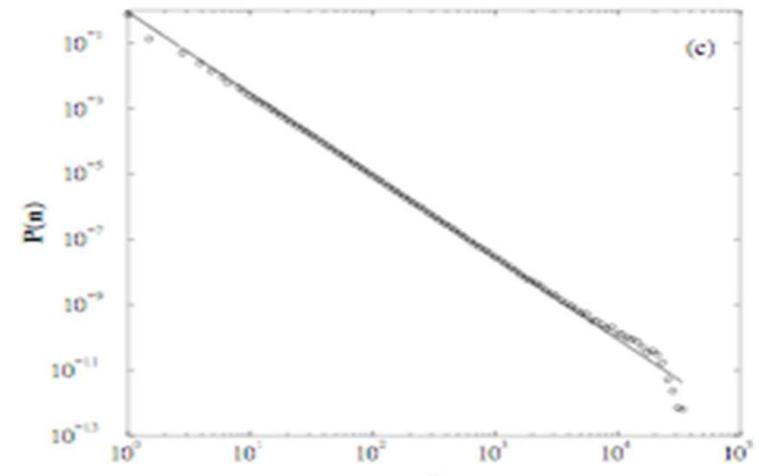
$$p(s) = \frac{s^{s-1}}{s!} e^{-\langle k \rangle s + (s-1)\ln\langle k \rangle}$$

$$s = \sqrt{2\pi s} \left(\frac{s}{e}\right)^s$$

$$p(s) \sim s^{-3/2} e^{-(\langle k \rangle - 1)s + (s-1)\ln\langle k \rangle}$$

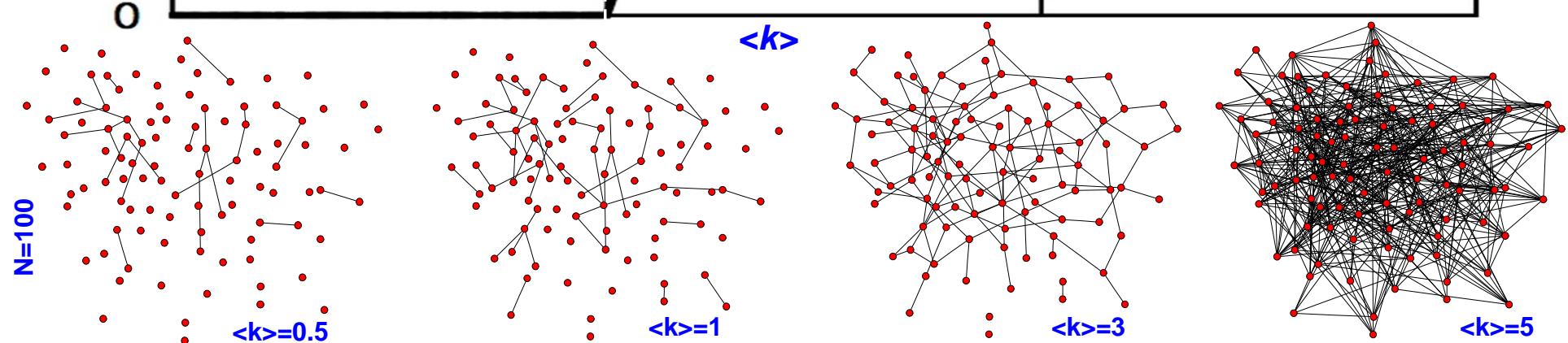
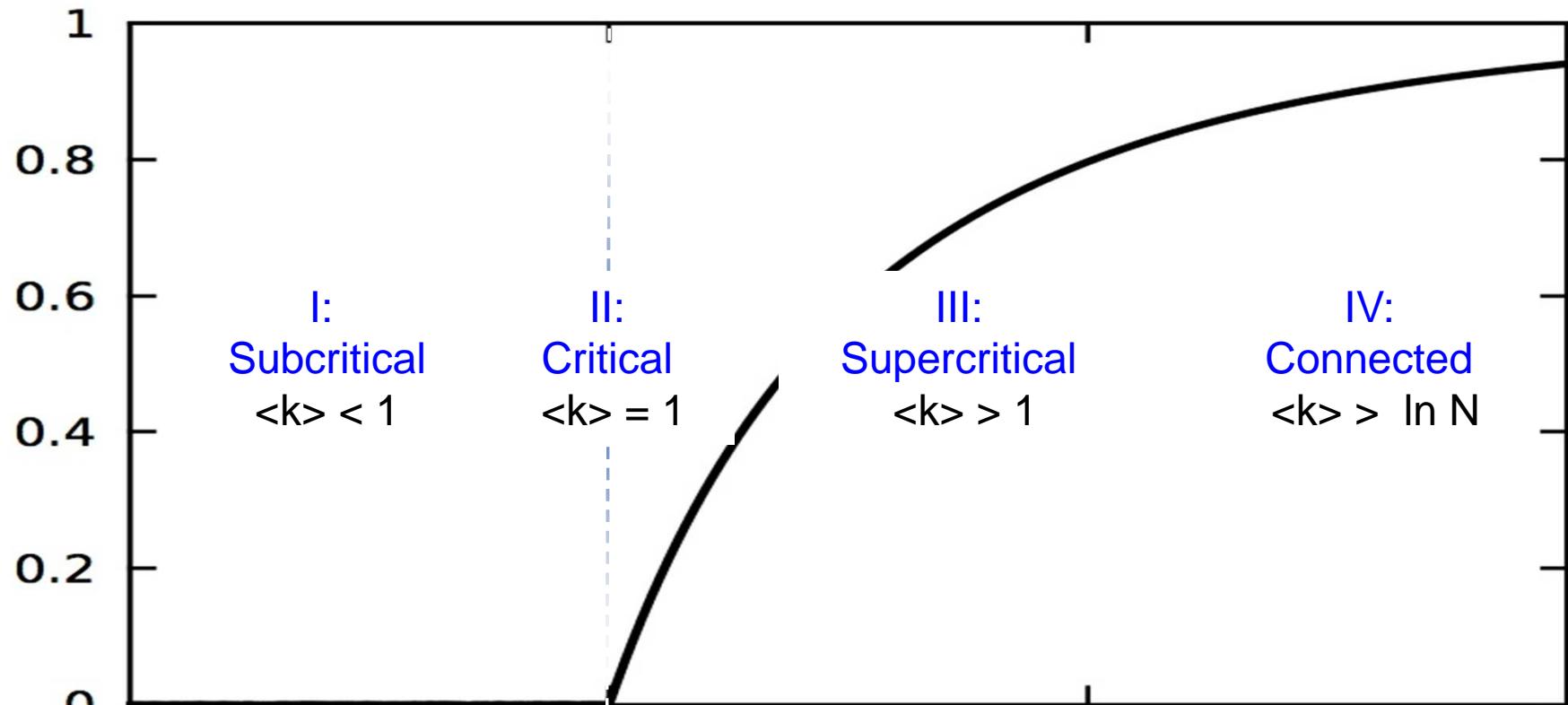
At the critical point  $\langle k \rangle = 1$

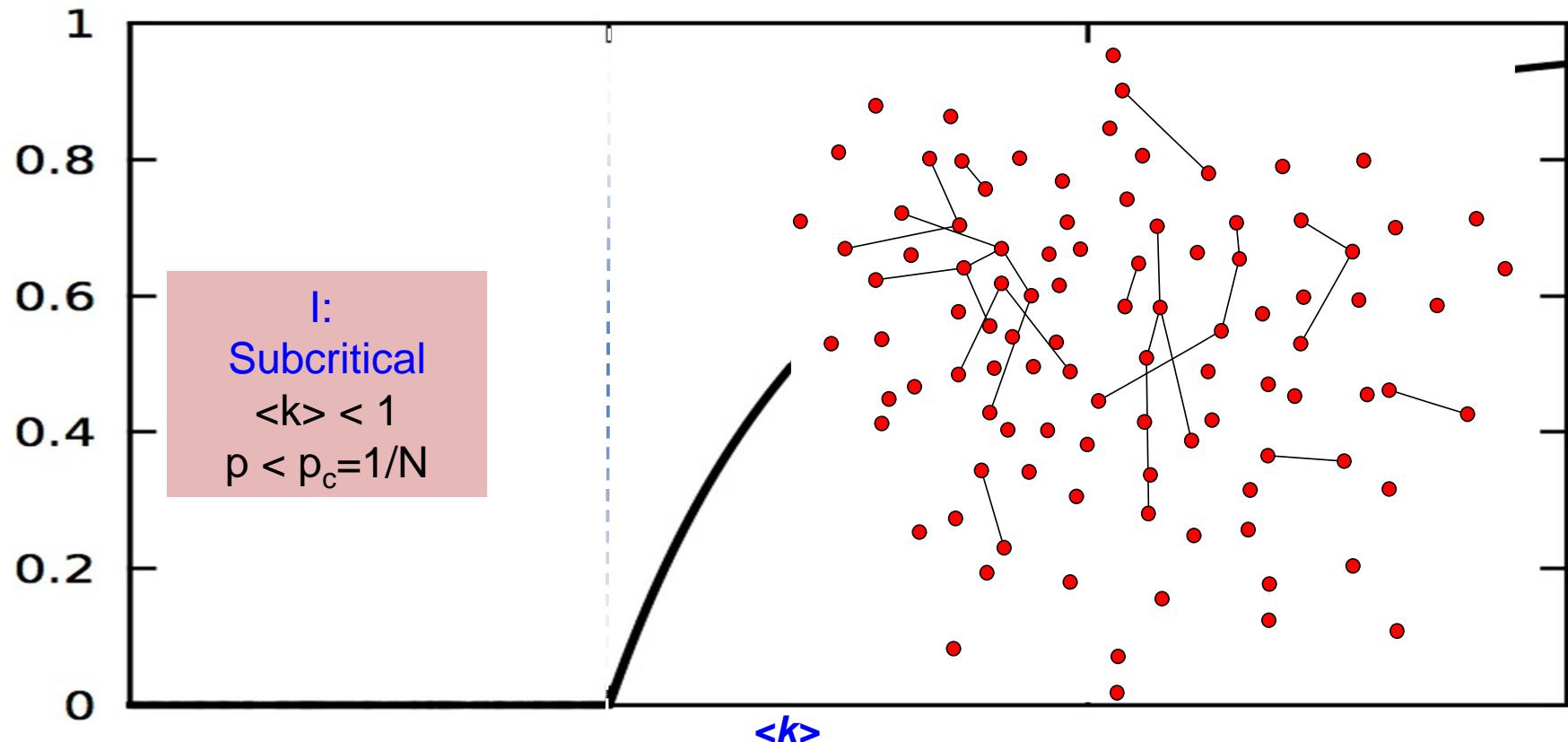
$$p(s) \sim s^{-3/2}$$



The distribution of cluster sizes at the critical point, displayed in a log-log plot. The data represent an average over 1000 systems of sizes. The dashed line has a slope of

$$-\tau_n = -2.5$$

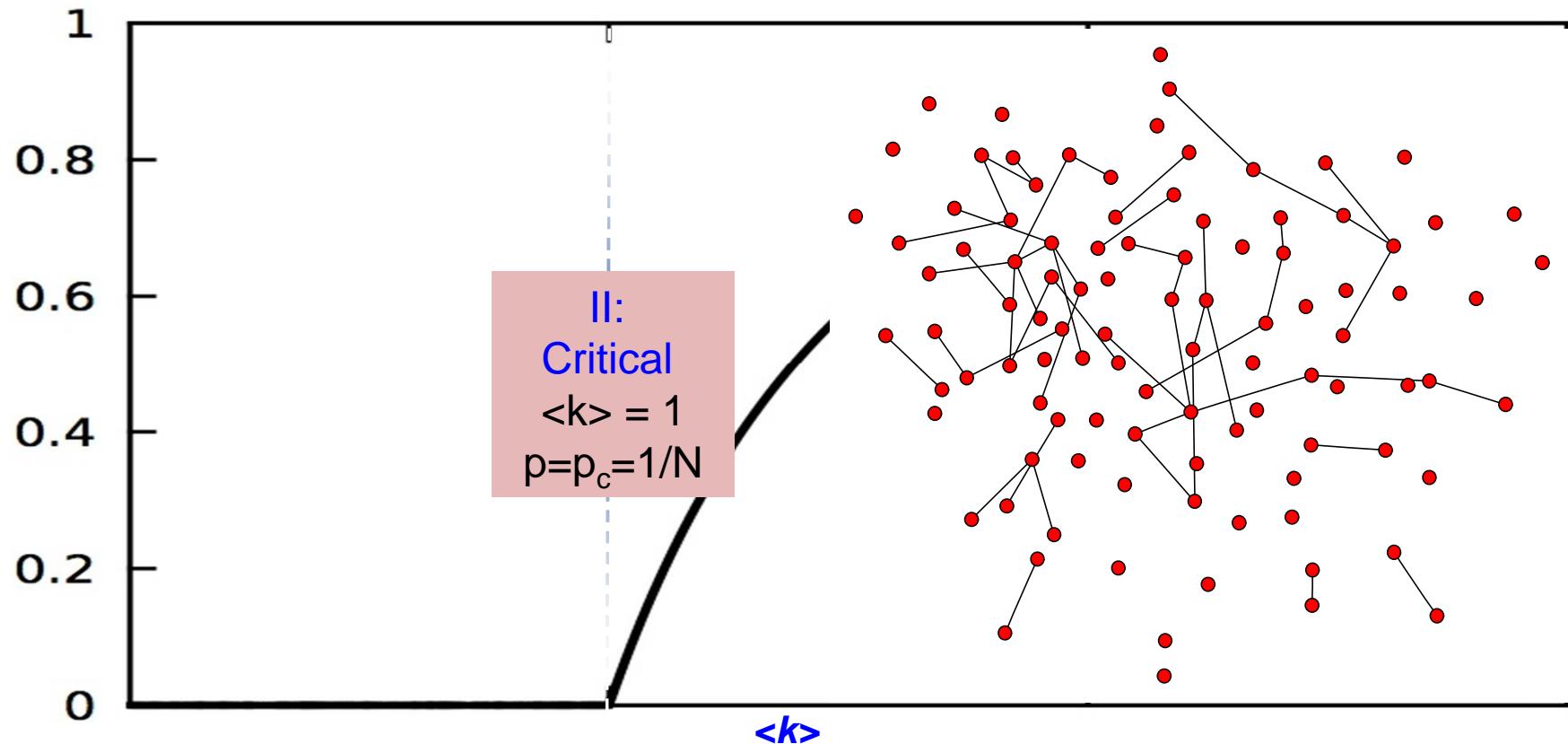




No giant component.

$N-L$  isolated clusters, cluster size distribution is exponential     $\rho(s) \sim s^{-3/2} e^{-(\langle k \rangle - 1)s + (s-1)\ln \langle k \rangle}$

The largest cluster is a tree, its size  $\sim \ln N$



Unique giant component:  $N_G \sim N^{2/3}$

→ contains a vanishing fraction of all nodes,  $N_G/N \sim N^{-1/3}$

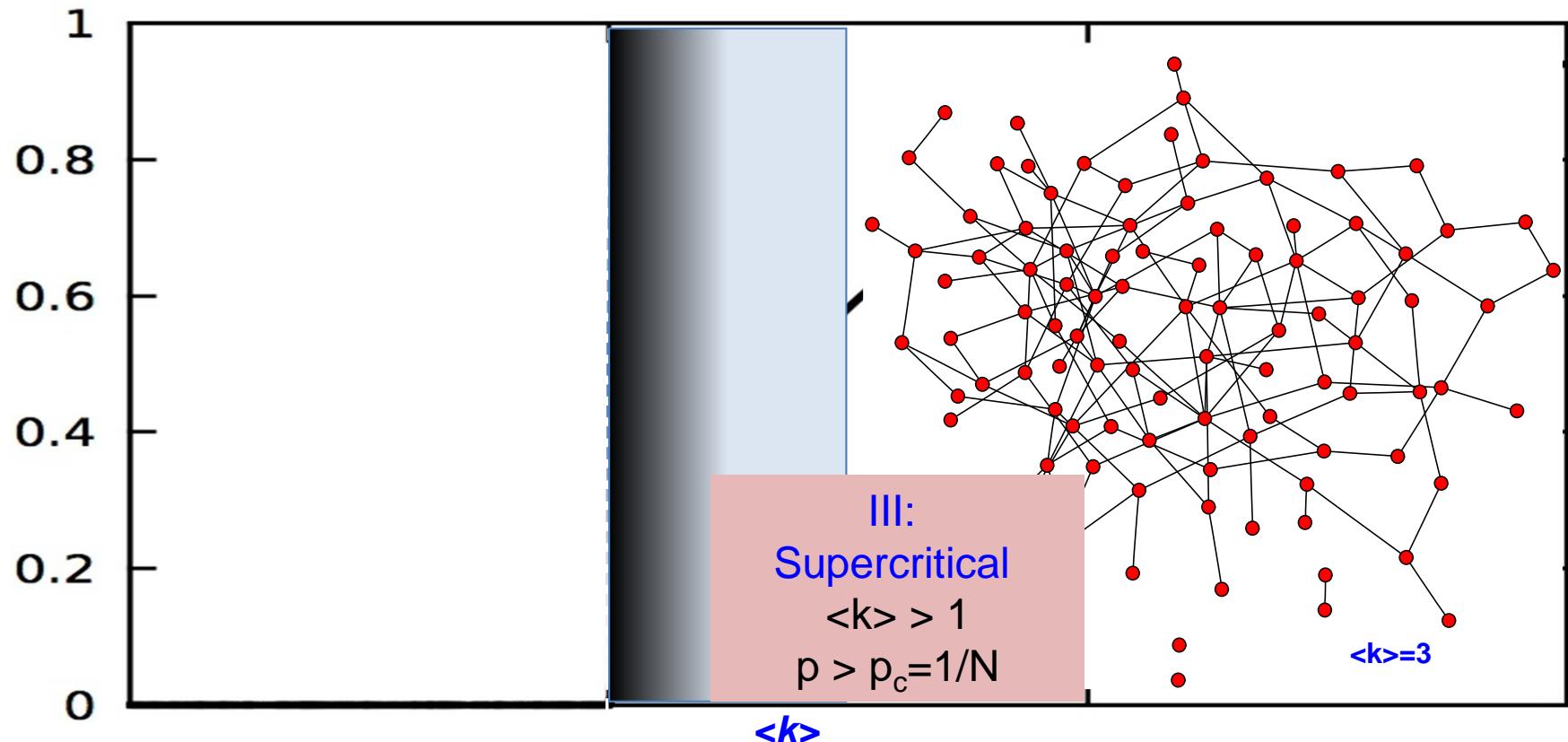
→ Small components are trees, GC has loops.

Cluster size distribution:  $p(s) \sim s^{-3/2}$

A jump in the cluster size:

$N=1,000 \rightarrow \ln N \sim 6.9$ ;  $N^{2/3} \sim 95$

$N=7 \cdot 10^9 \rightarrow \ln N \sim 22$ ;  $N^{2/3} \sim 3,659,250$

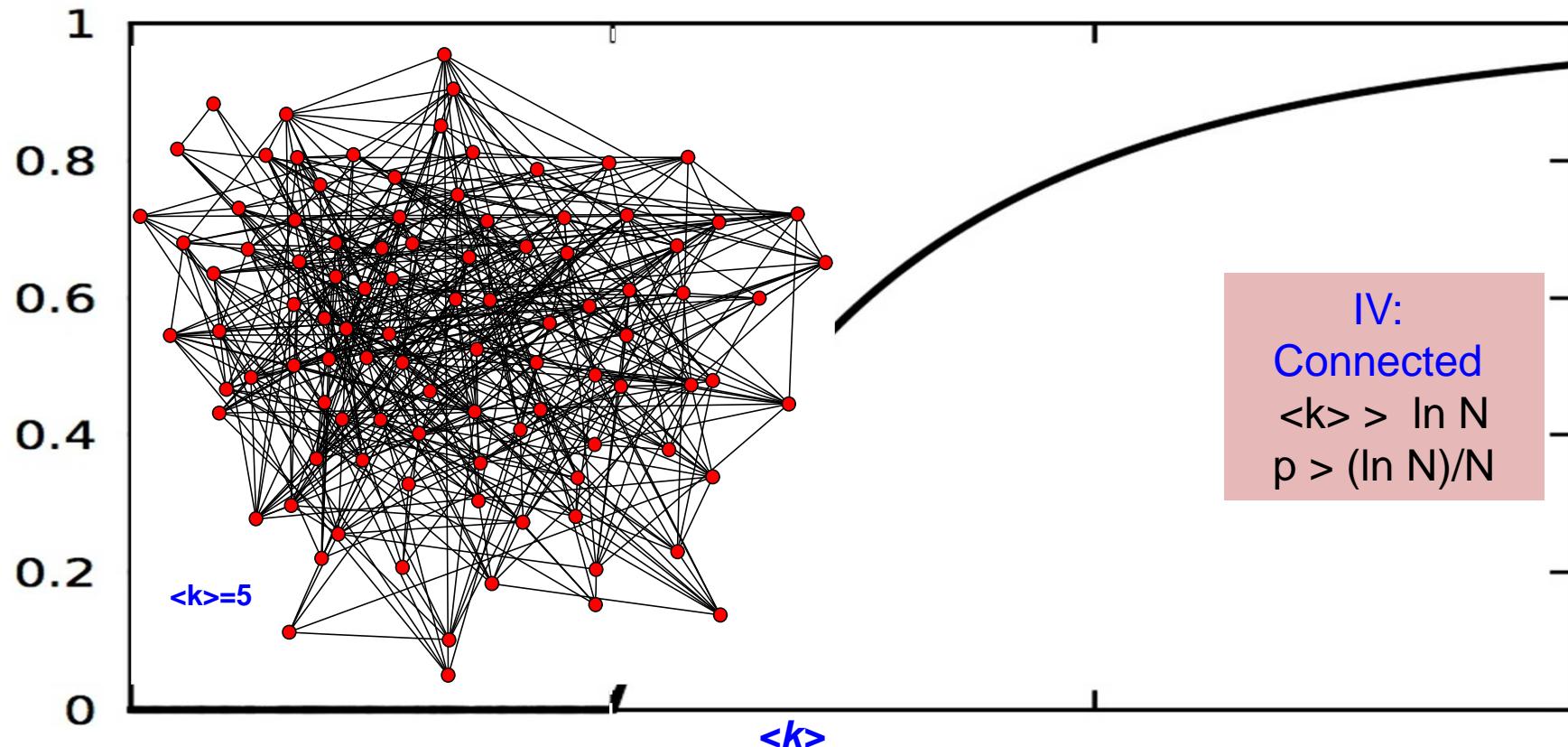


Unique giant component:  $N_G \sim (p - p_c)N$

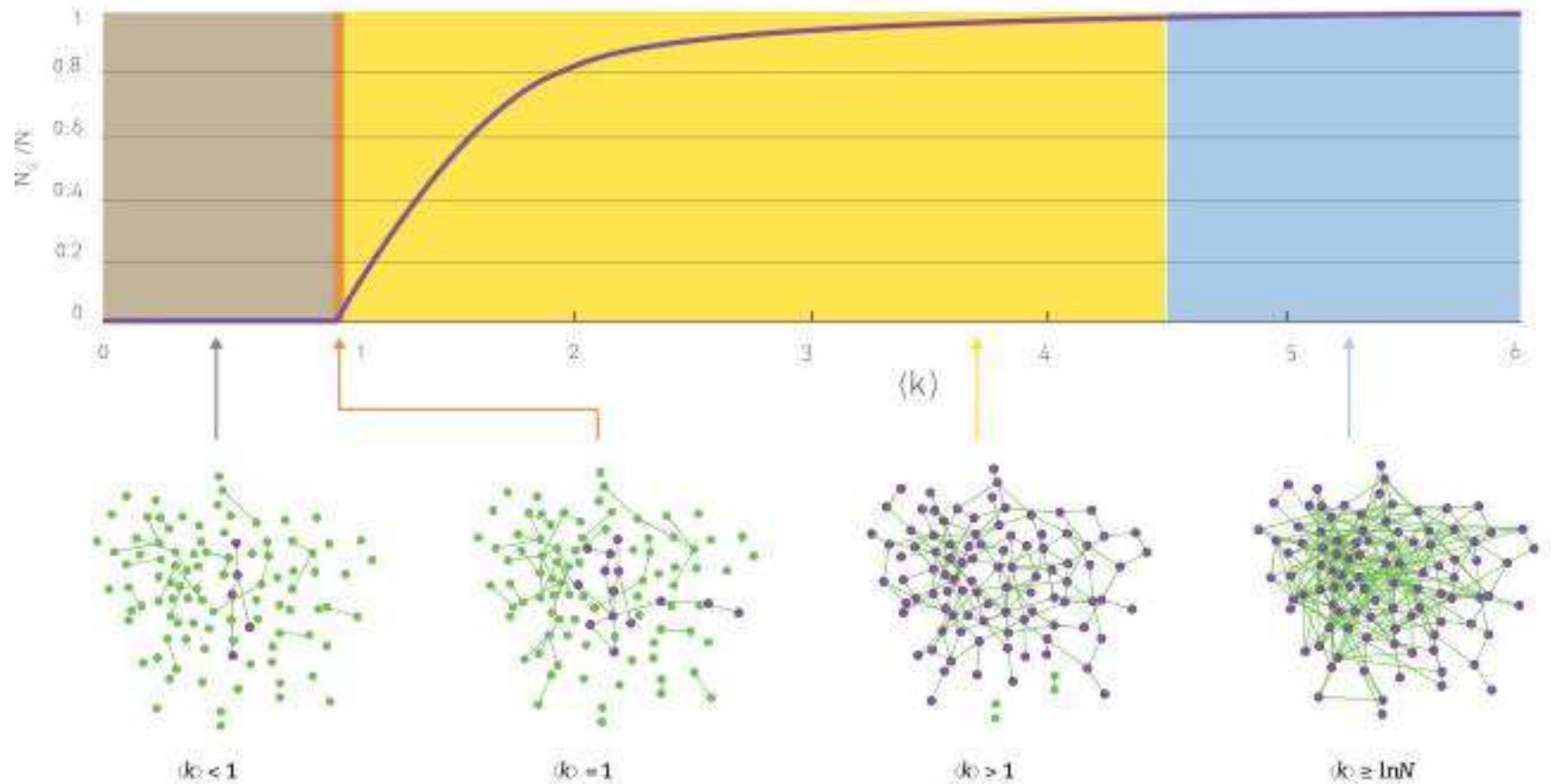
→ GC has loops.

Cluster size distribution: exponential

$$p(s) \sim s^{-3/2} e^{-(\langle k \rangle - 1)s + (s-1)\ln \langle k \rangle}$$



Only one cluster:  $N_G=N$   
→ GC is dense.  
Cluster size distribution: None



#### (b) Sub-critical Regime

- No giant component
- Cluster size distribution:  $p_i \sim e^{-\langle k \rangle} e^{-\langle k \rangle i}$
- Size of the largest cluster:  $N_{\text{g}} \sim \ln N$
- The clusters are trees

#### (c) Critical Point

- No giant component
- Cluster size distribution:  $p_i \sim e^{-\langle k \rangle} e^{-\langle k \rangle i}$
- Size of the largest cluster:  $N_{\text{g}} \sim N^{1/\langle k \rangle}$
- The clusters may contain loops

#### (d) Supercritical Regime

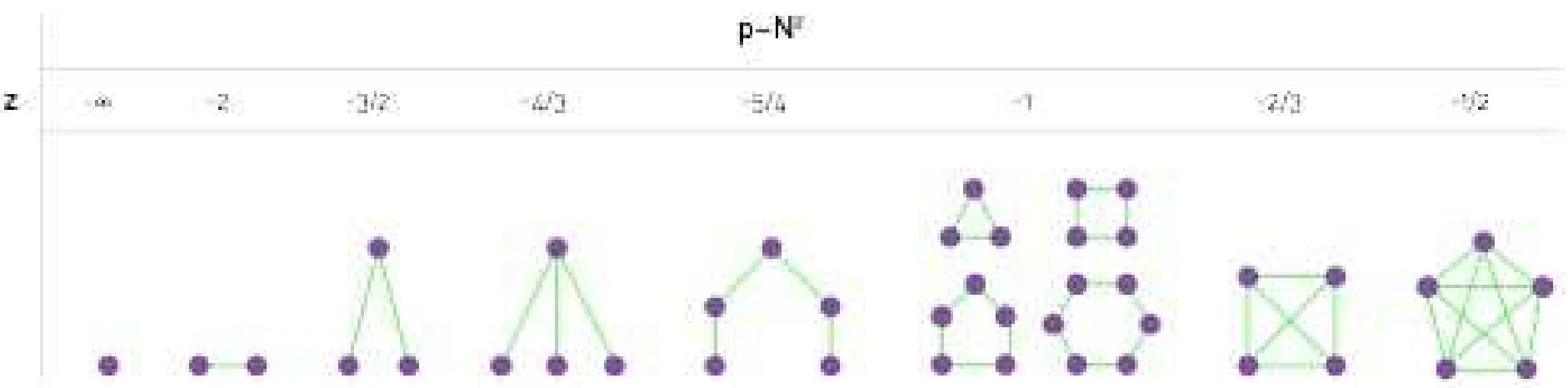
- Single giant component
- Cluster size distribution:  $p_i \sim e^{-\langle k \rangle} e^{-\langle k \rangle i}$
- Size of the giant component:  $N_{\text{g}} = (p - p_c)N$
- The small clusters are trees
- Giant component has loops

#### (e) Connected Regime

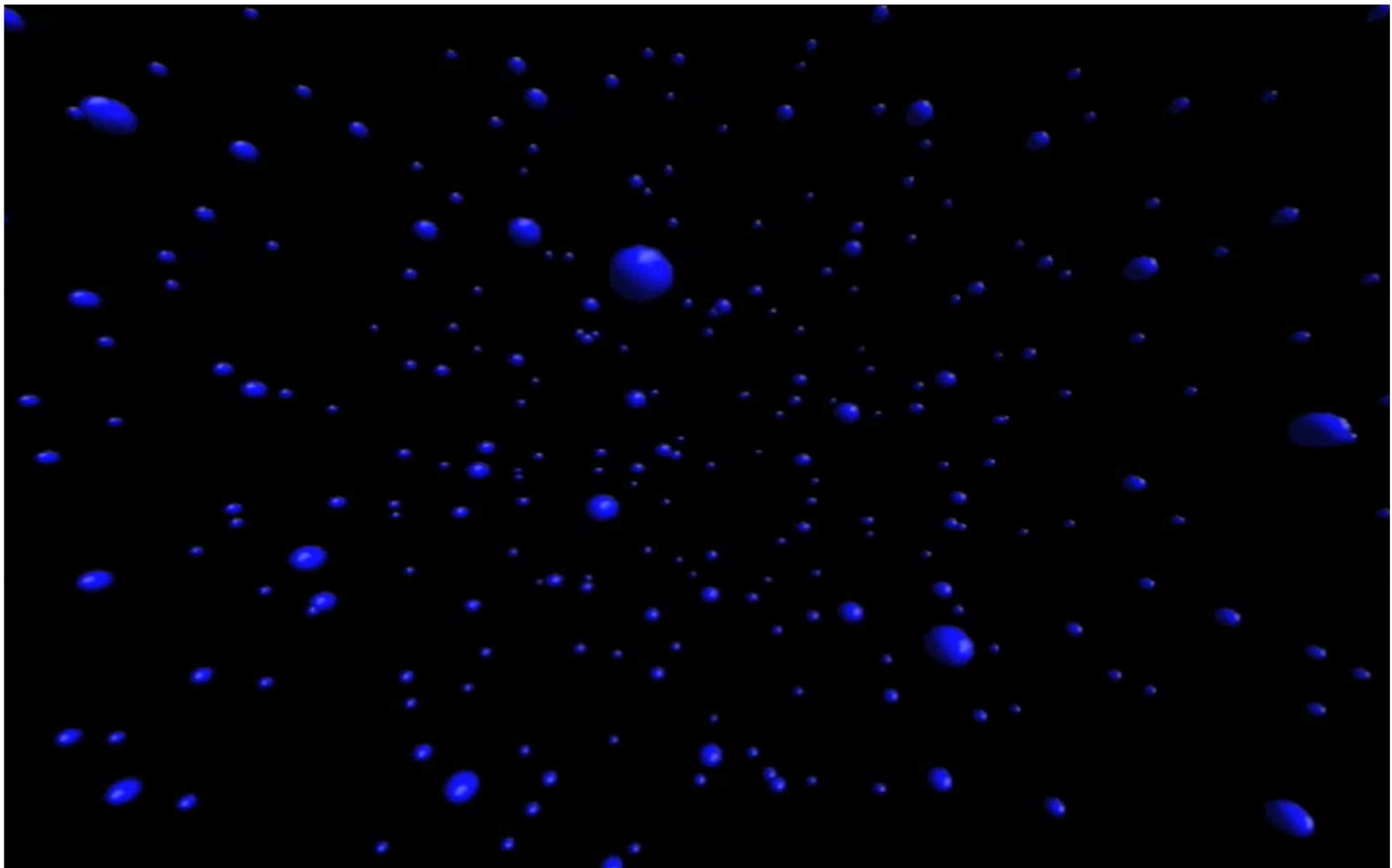
- Single giant component
- No isolated nodes or clusters
- Size of the giant component:  $N_{\text{g}} = N$
- Giant component has loops

## Network evolution in graph theory

A graph has a given property  $Q$  if the probability of having  $Q$  approaches 1 as  $N \rightarrow \infty$ . That is, for a given  $z$  either almost every graph has the property  $Q$  or almost no graph has it. For example, for  $z$  less



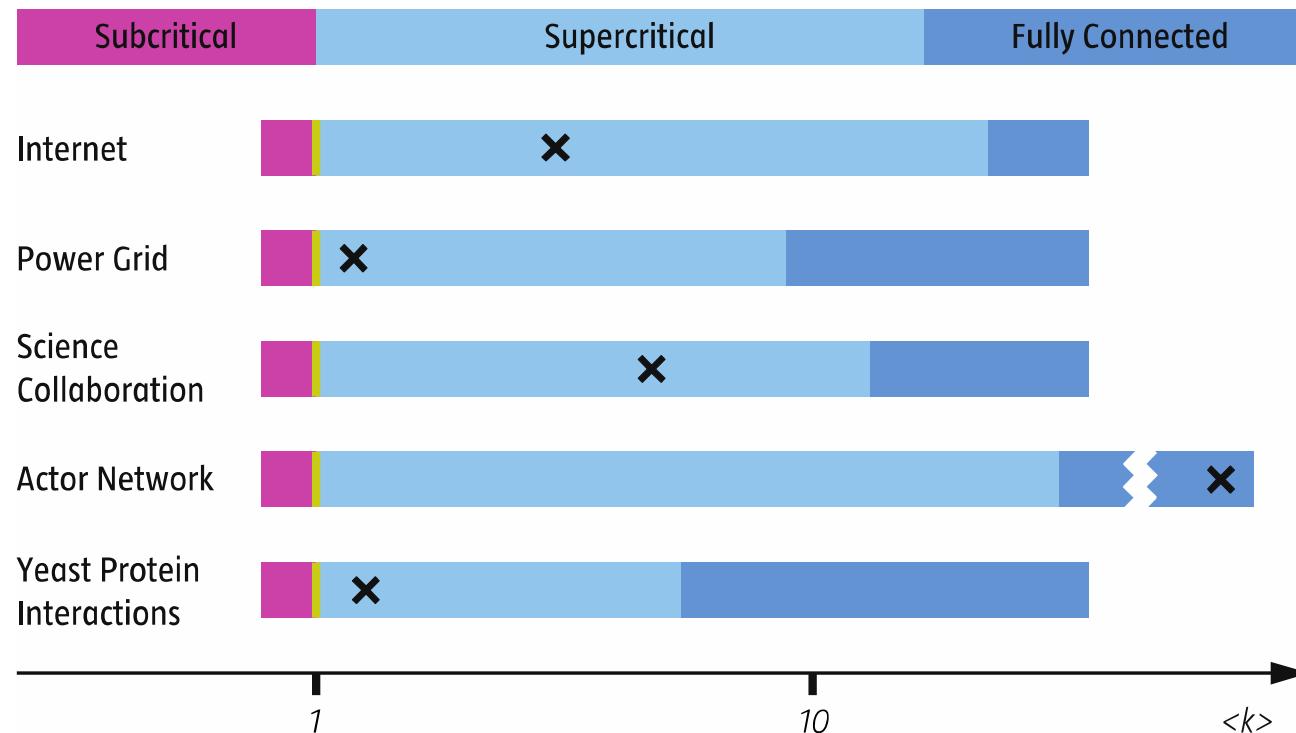
$$p = \langle k \rangle / (N - 1)$$



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Real networks are supercritical

## Section 13.2



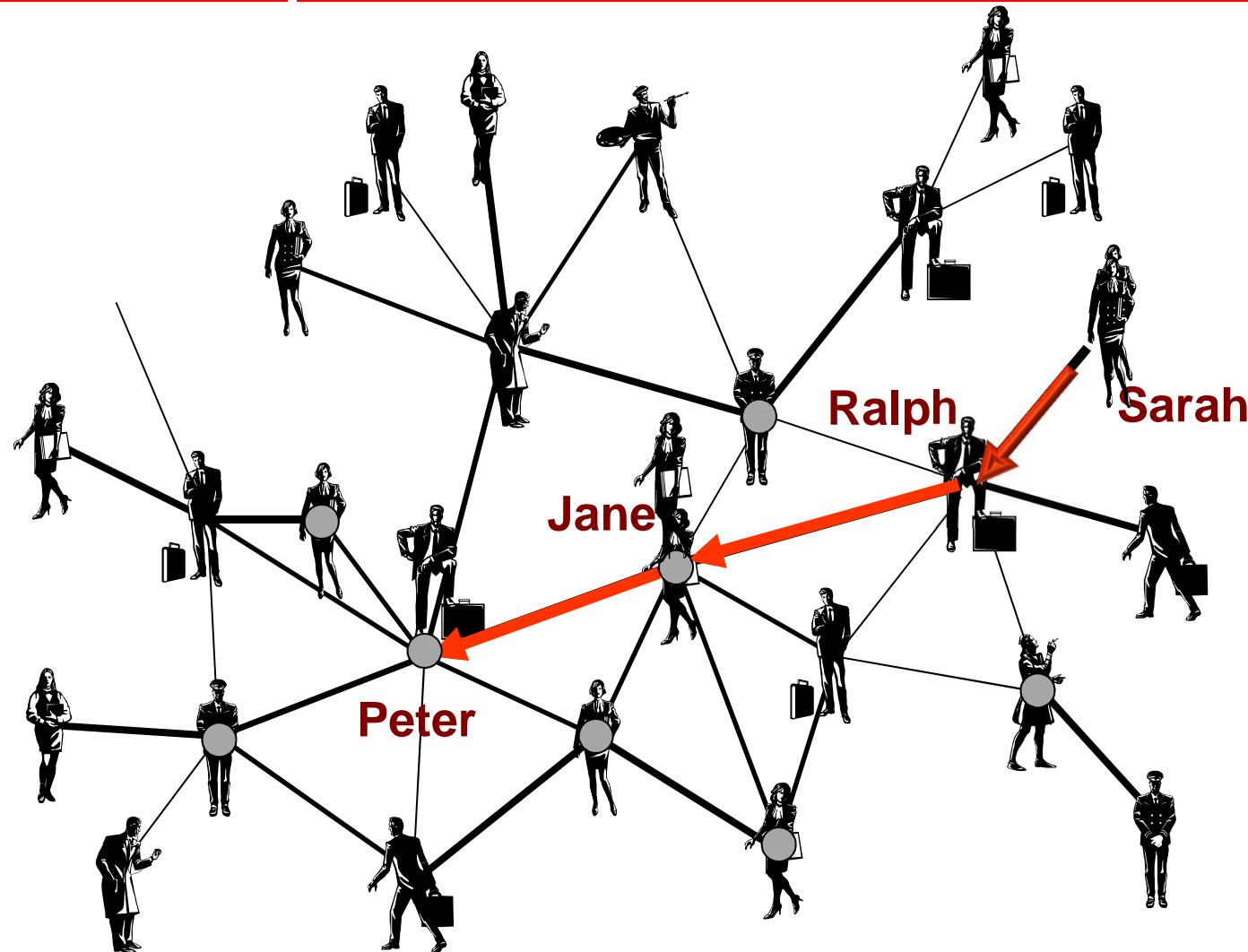
Network	$N$	$L$	$\langle k \rangle$	$\ln N$
Internet	192,244	609,066	6.34	12.17
Power Grid	4,941	6,594	2.67	8.51
Science Collaboration	23,133	186,936	8.08	10.04
Actor Network	212,250	3,054,278	28.78	12.27
Yeast Protein Interactions	2,018	2,930	2.90	7.61

## Section 13.3

# Small worlds

## SIX DEGREES

## small worlds



Frigyes Karinthy, 1929  
Stanley Milgram, 1967

## SIX DEGREES

## 1929: Frigyes Karinthy



Frigyes Karinthy (1887-1938)  
Hungarian Writer

1929: *Minden másképpen van* (Everything is Different)  
*Láncszemek* (Chains)

"Look, Selma Lagerlöf just won the Nobel Prize for Literature, thus she is bound to know King Gustav of Sweden, after all he is the one who handed her the Prize, as required by tradition. King Gustav, to be sure, is a passionate tennis player, who always participates in international tournaments. He is known to have played Mr. Kehrling, whom he must therefore know for sure, and as it happens I myself know Mr. Kehrling quite well."

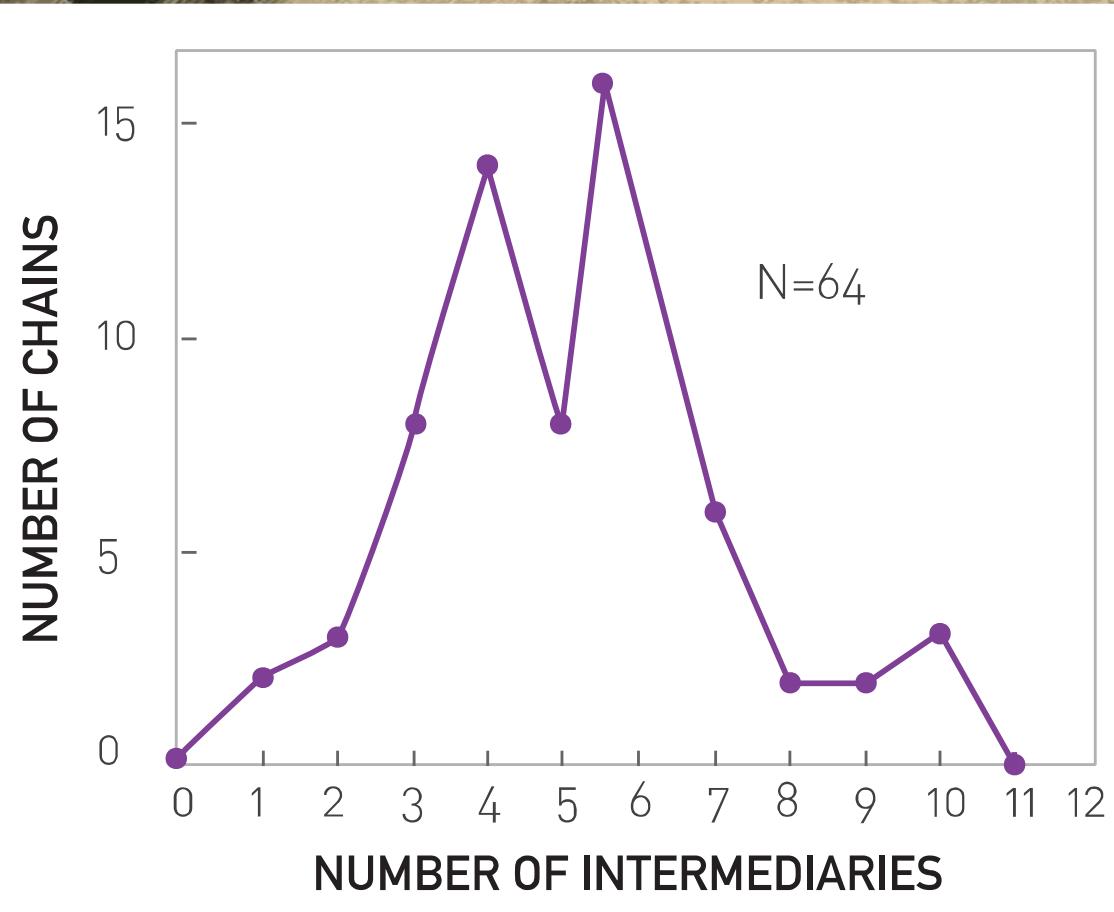
"The worker knows the manager in the shop, who knows Ford; Ford is on friendly terms with the general director of Hearst Publications, who last year became good friends with Arpad Pasztor, someone I not only know, but to the best of my knowledge a good friend of mine. So I could easily ask him to send a telegram via the general director telling Ford that he should talk to the manager and have the worker in the shop quickly hammer together a car for me, as I happen to need one."

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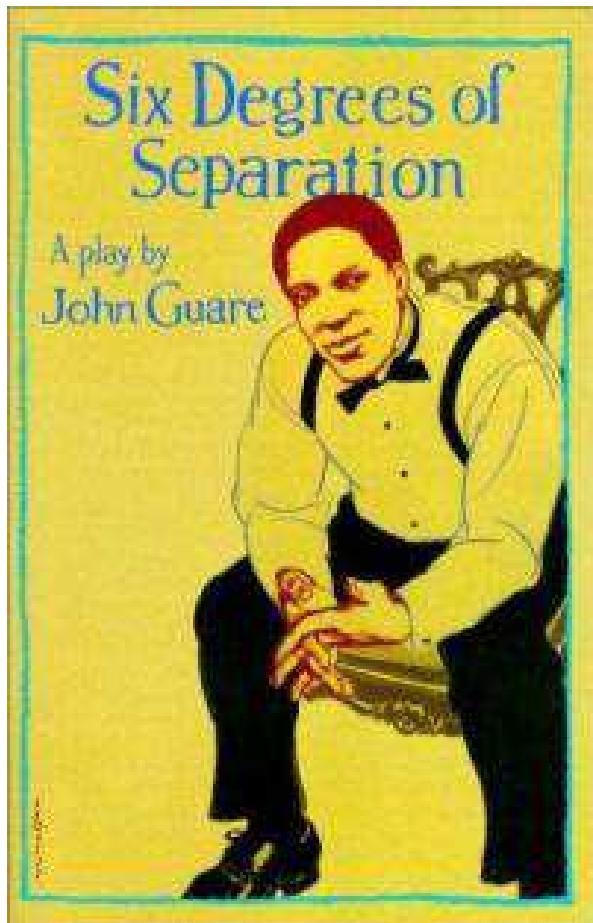
## SIX DEGREES

1967: Stanley Milgram



## SIX DEGREES

1991: John Guare



"Everybody on this planet is separated by only six other people. Six degrees of separation. Between us and everybody else on this planet. The president of the United States. A gondolier in Venice.... It's not just the big names. It's anyone. A native in a rain forest. A Tierra del Fuegan. An Eskimo. I am bound to everyone on this planet by a trail of six people. It's a profound thought. How every person is a new door, opening up into other worlds."

## WWW: 19 DEGREES OF SEPARATION

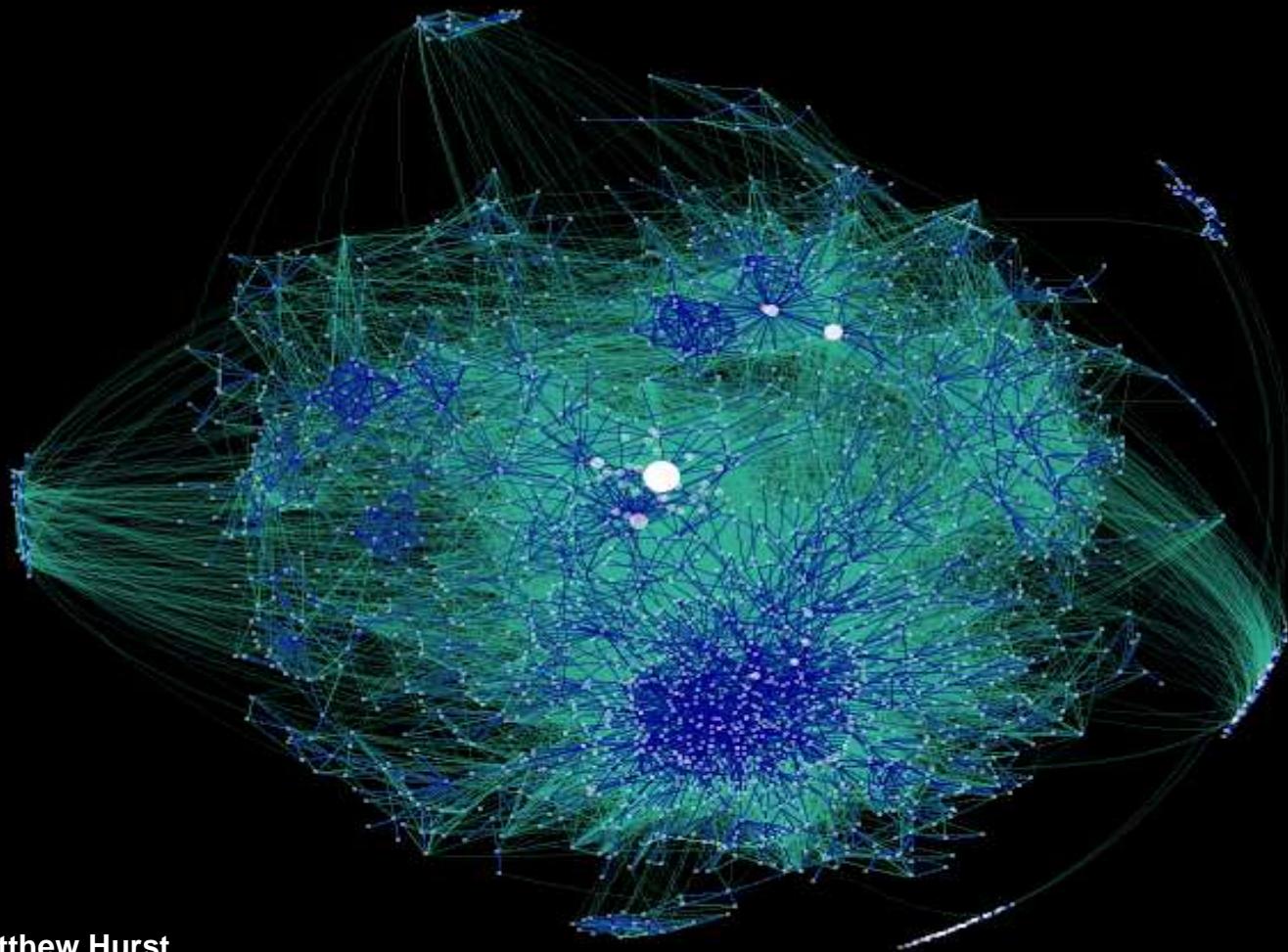
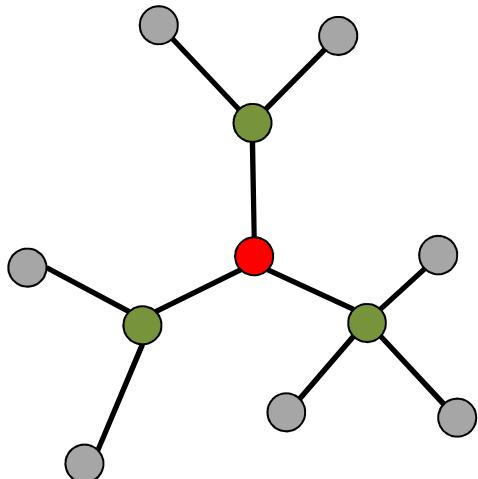


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Network Science: Random Graphs

## DISTANCES IN RANDOM GRAPHS

Random graphs tend to have a tree-like topology with almost constant node degrees.



- $\langle k \rangle$  nodes at distance one ( $d=1$ ).
- $\langle k \rangle^2$  nodes at distance two ( $d=2$ ).
- $\langle k \rangle^3$  nodes at distance three ( $d =3$ ).
- ...
- $\langle k \rangle^d$  nodes at distance  $d$ .

$$N = 1 + \langle k \rangle + \langle k \rangle^2 + \dots + \langle k \rangle^{d_{\max}} = \frac{\langle k \rangle^{d_{\max}+1} - 1}{\langle k \rangle - 1} \approx \langle k \rangle^{d_{\max}} \quad \Rightarrow \quad d_{\max} = \frac{\log N}{\log \langle k \rangle}$$

## DISTANCES IN RANDOM GRAPHS

$$d_{\max} = \frac{\log N}{\log \langle k \rangle}$$

In most networks this offers a better approximation to the average distance between two randomly chosen nodes,  $\langle d \rangle$ , than to  $d_{\max}$ .

$$\langle d \rangle = \frac{\log N}{\log \langle k \rangle}$$

We will call the *small world phenomena* the property that the average path length or the diameter depends logarithmically on the system size.  
Hence, "small" means that  $\langle d \rangle$  is proportional to  $\log N$ , rather than  $N$ .

The  $1/\log \langle k \rangle$  term implies that denser the network, the smaller will be the distance between the nodes.

# Average Degree

NETWORK	NODES	LINKS	DIRECTED UNDIRECTED	N	L	$\langle k \rangle$
Internet	Routers	Internet connections	Undirected	192,244	609,066	6.33
WWW	Webpages	Links	Directed	325,729	1,497,134	4.60
Power Grid	Power plants, transformers	Cables	Undirected	4,941	6,594	2.67
Mobile Phone Calls	Subscribers	Calls	Directed	36,595	91,826	2.51
Email	Email addresses	Emails	Directed	57,194	103,731	1.81
Science Collaboration	Scientists	Co-authorship	Undirected	23,133	93,439	8.08
Actor Network	Actors	Co-acting	Undirected	702,388	29,397,908	83.71
Citation Network	Paper	Citations	Directed	449,673	4,689,479	10.43
E. Coli Metabolism	Metabolites	Chemical reactions	Directed	1,039	5,802	5.58
Protein Interactions	Proteins	Binding interactions	Undirected	2,018	2,930	2.90

## DISTANCES IN RANDOM GRAPHS

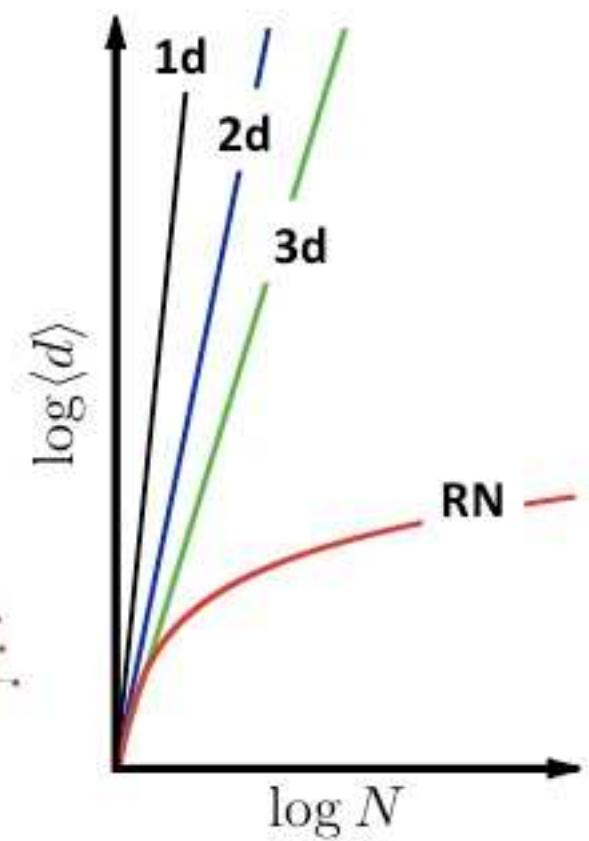
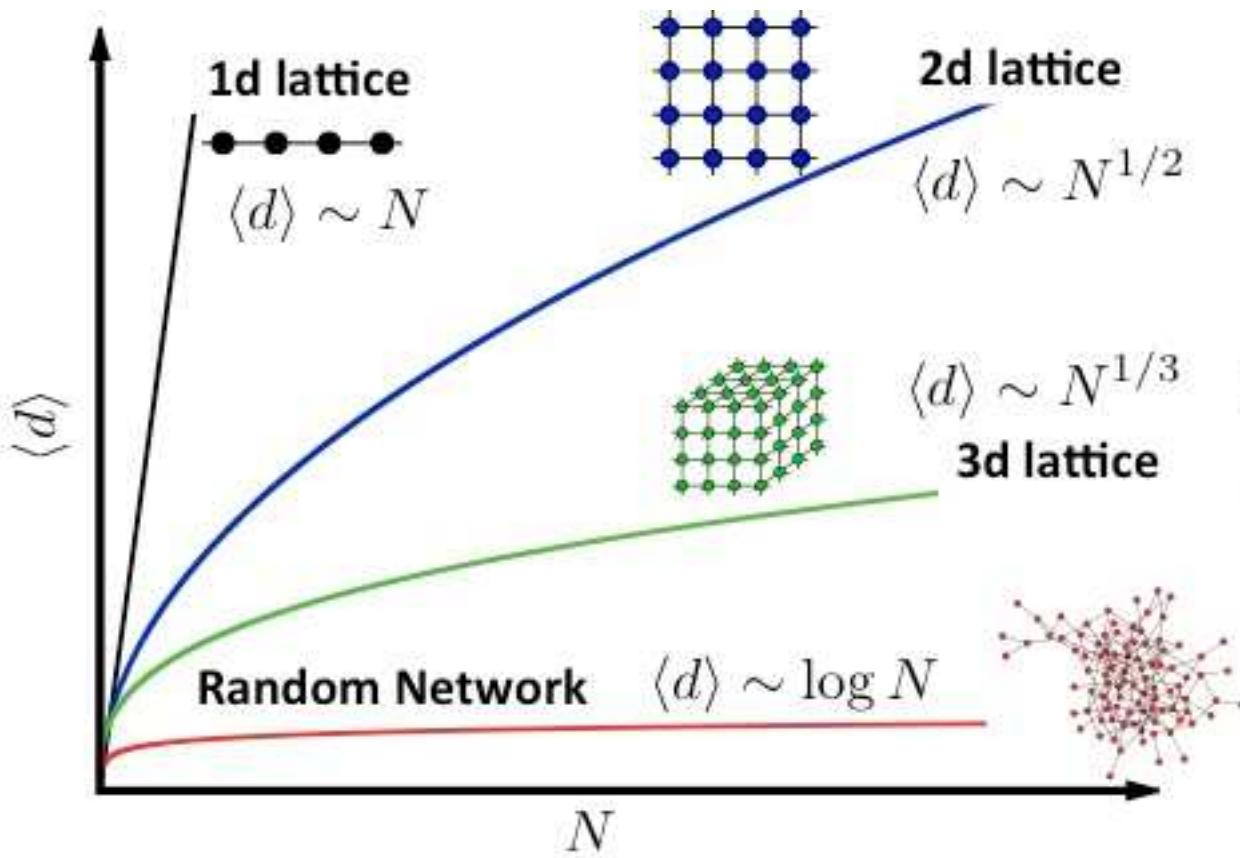
compare with real data

NETWORK	$N$	$L$	$\langle k \rangle$	$\langle d \rangle$	$d_{max}$	$\frac{\ln N}{\ln \langle k \rangle}$
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Given the huge differences in scope, size, and average degree, the agreement is excellent.

Why are small worlds surprising?

Surprising compared to what?



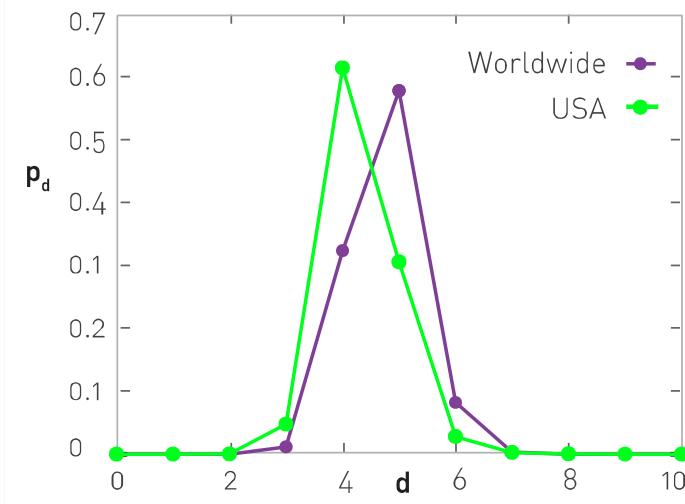
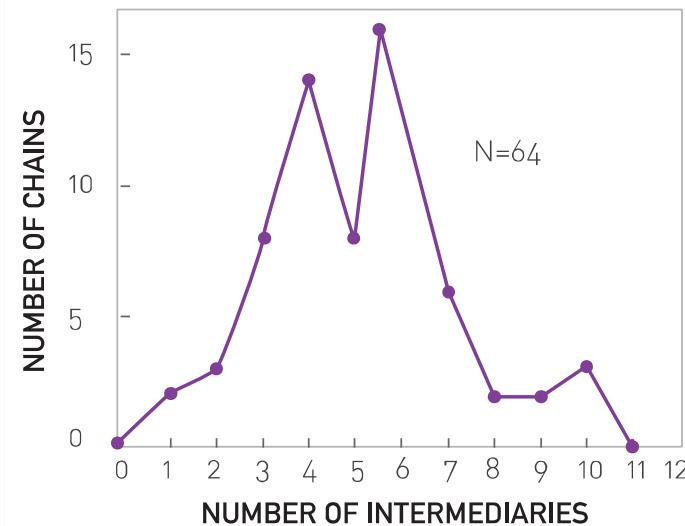
## Three, Four or Six Degrees?

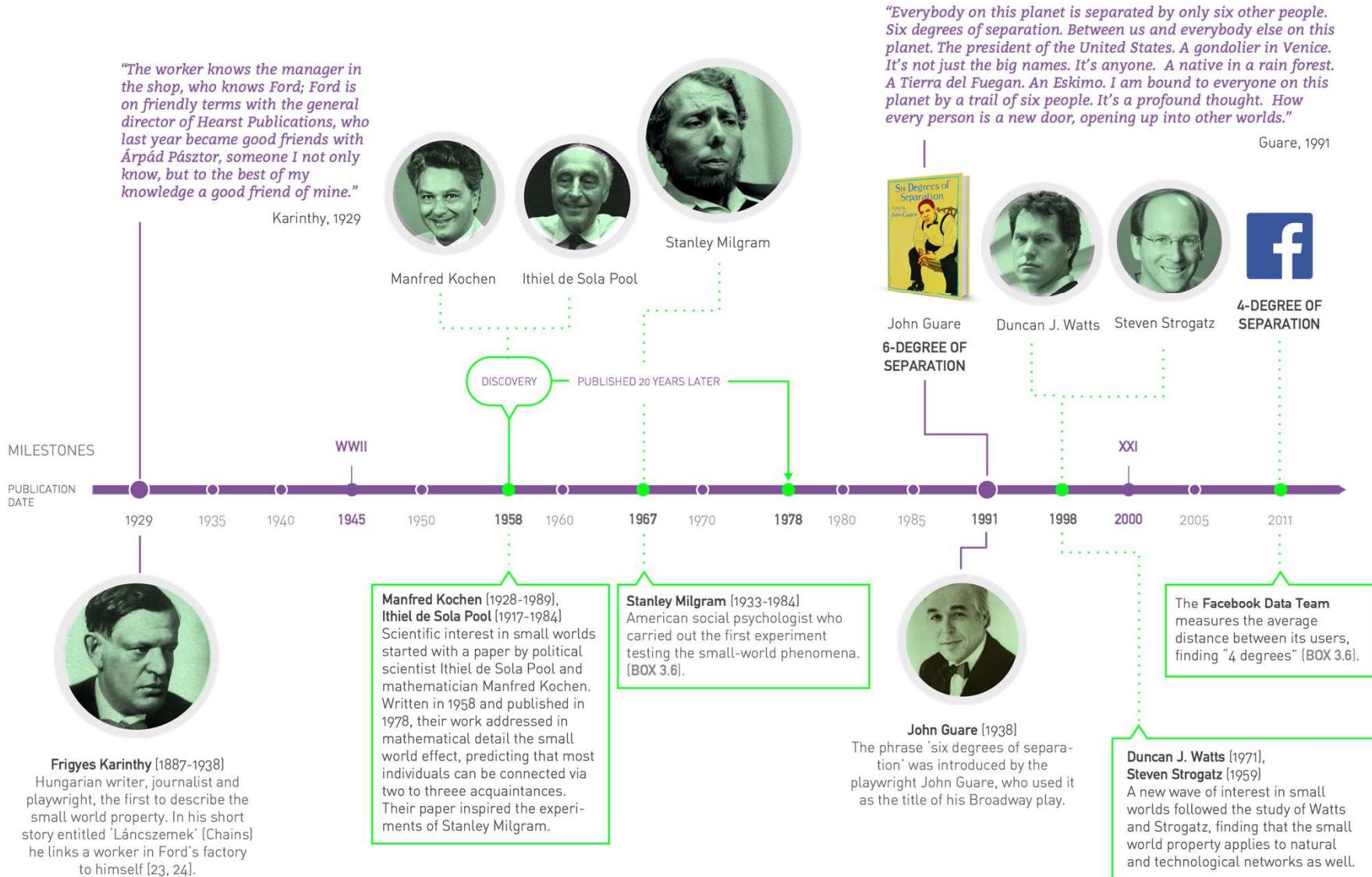
For the globe's social networks:

$$\langle k \rangle \simeq 10^3$$

$N \simeq 7 \times 10^9$  for the world's population.

$$\langle d \rangle = \frac{\ln(N)}{\ln \langle k \rangle} = 3.28$$



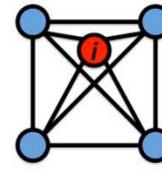


## Section 9

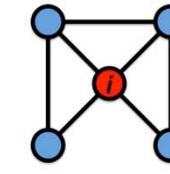
# Clustering coefficient

## CLUSTERING COEFFICIENT

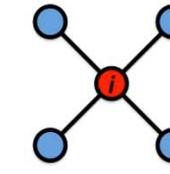
$$C_i \equiv \frac{2 \langle L_i \rangle}{k_i(k_i - 1)}$$



$$C_i = 1$$



$$C_i = 1/2$$



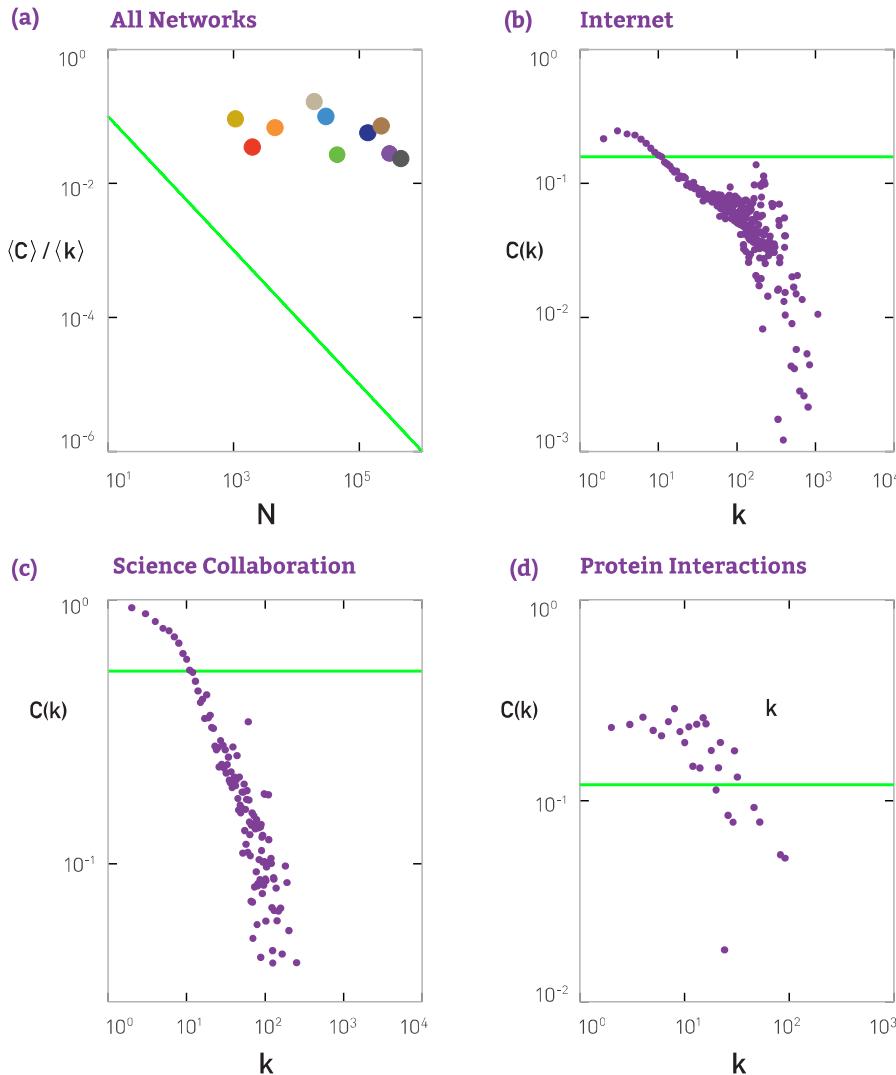
$$C_i = 0$$

Since edges are independent and have the same probability  $p$ ,

$$\langle L_i \rangle \approx p \frac{k_i(k_i - 1)}{2} \quad \Rightarrow \quad C_i = \frac{2\langle L_i \rangle}{k_i(k_i - 1)} = p = \frac{\langle k \rangle}{N}.$$

- The clustering coefficient of random graphs is small.
- For fixed degree  $C$  decreases with the system size  $N$ .
- $C$  is independent of a node's degree  $k$ .

# CLUSTERING COEFFICIENT

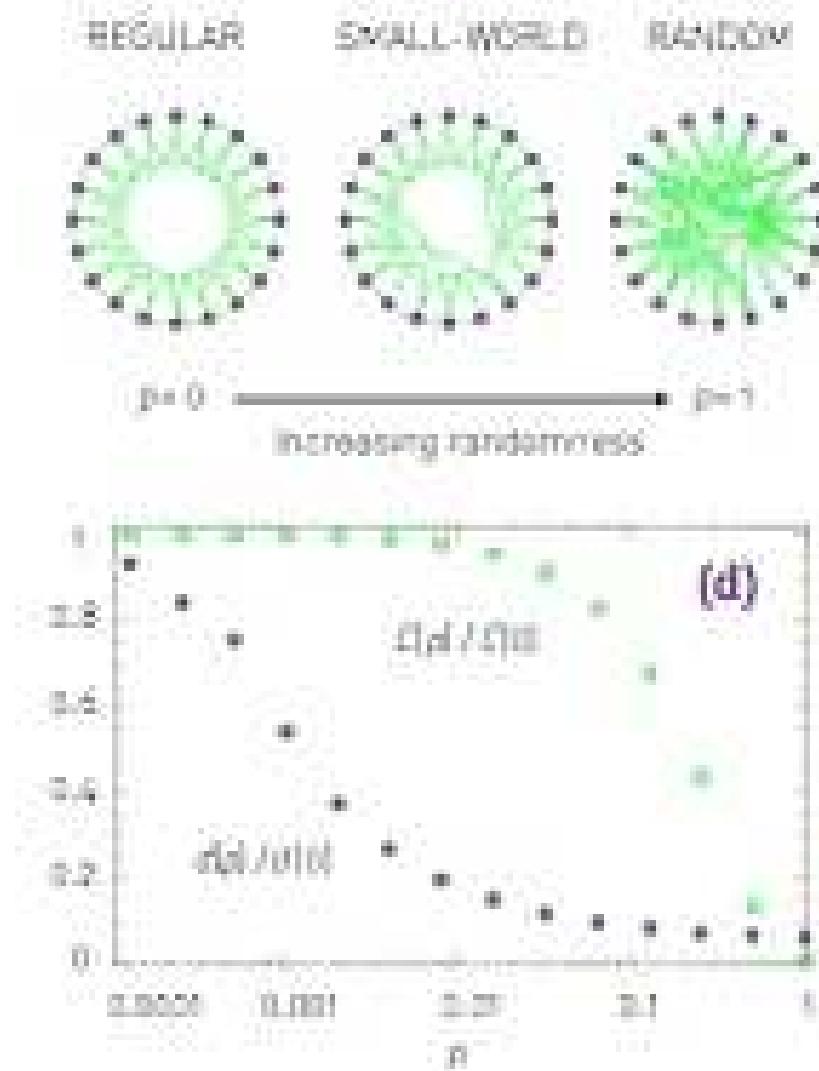


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## Watts-Strogatz Model



## Section 10

Real networks are not random

## ARE REAL NETWORKS LIKE RANDOM GRAPHS?

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Average path length:

$$\langle l_{rand} \rangle \approx \frac{\log N}{\log \langle k \rangle}$$

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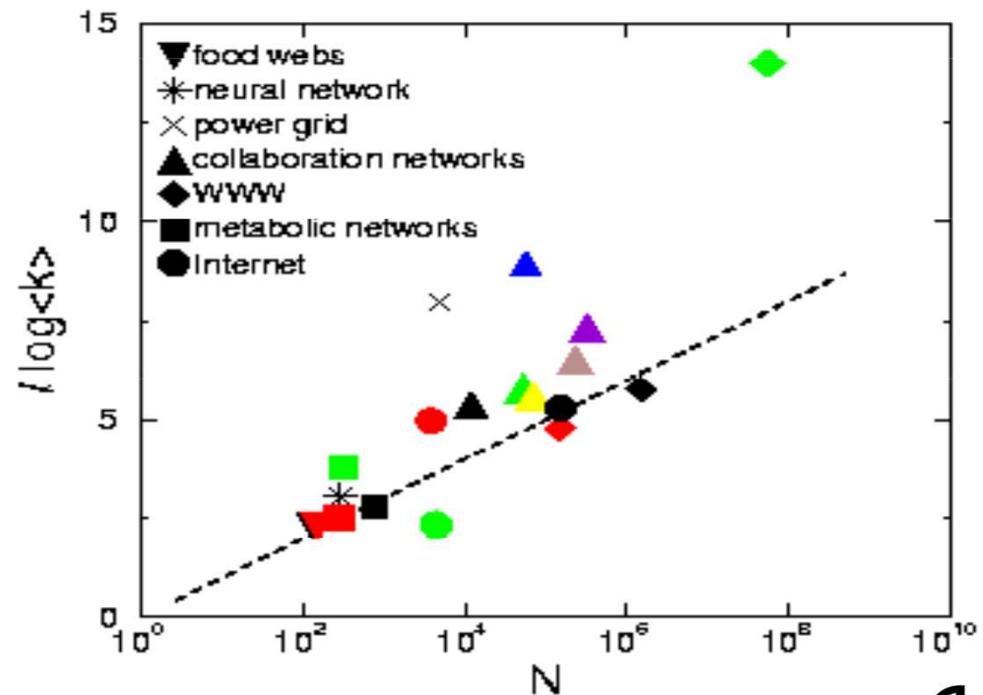
Degree Distribution:

$$P(k) = e^{-\langle k \rangle} \frac{\langle k \rangle^k}{k!}$$

## PATH LENGTHS IN REAL NETWORKS

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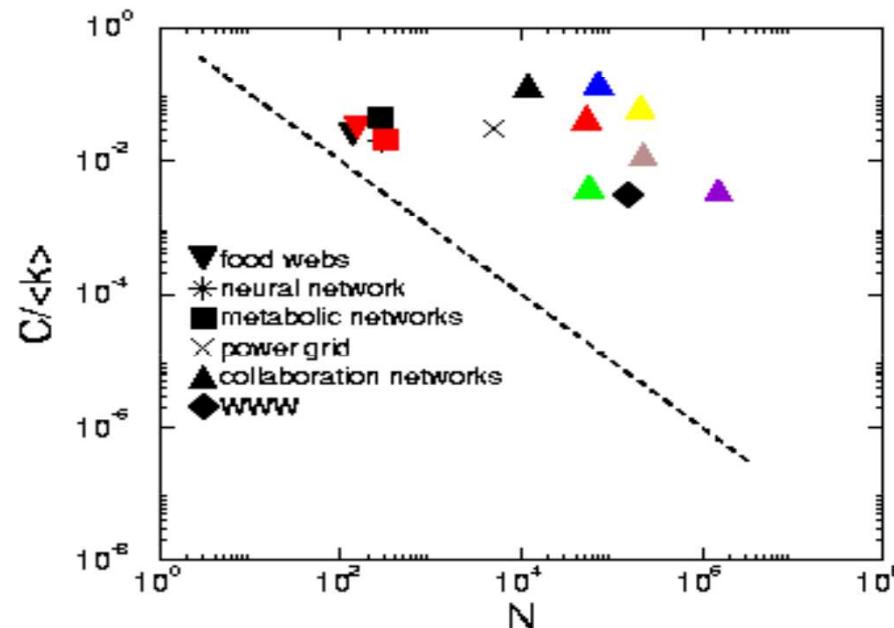
Real networks have short distances  
like random graphs.



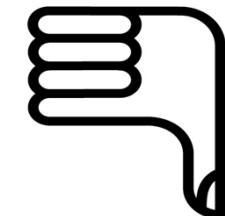
## CLUSTERING COEFFICIENT

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$C_{rand}$  underestimates with orders of magnitudes the clustering coefficient of real networks.



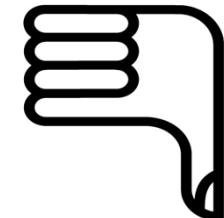
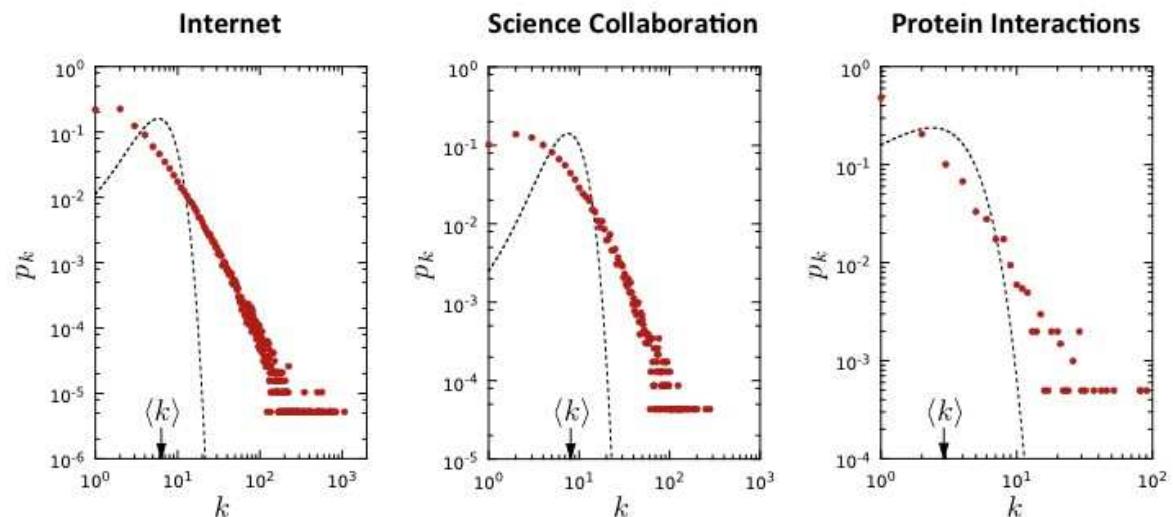
# THE DEGREE DISTRIBUTION

Prediction:

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Data:

$$P(k) \approx k^{-\gamma}$$



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## IS THE RANDOM GRAPH MODEL RELEVANT TO REAL SYSTEMS?

(B) Most important: we need to ask ourselves, are real networks random?

The answer is simply: NO

**There is no network in nature that we know of that would be described by the random network model.**

## **IF IT IS WRONG AND IRRELEVANT, WHY DID WE DEVOT TO IT A FULL CLASS?**

It is the reference model for the rest of the class.

It will help us calculate many quantities, that can then be compared to the real data, understanding to what degree is a particular property the result of some random process.

Patterns in real networks that are shared by a large number of real networks, yet which deviate from the predictions of the random network model.

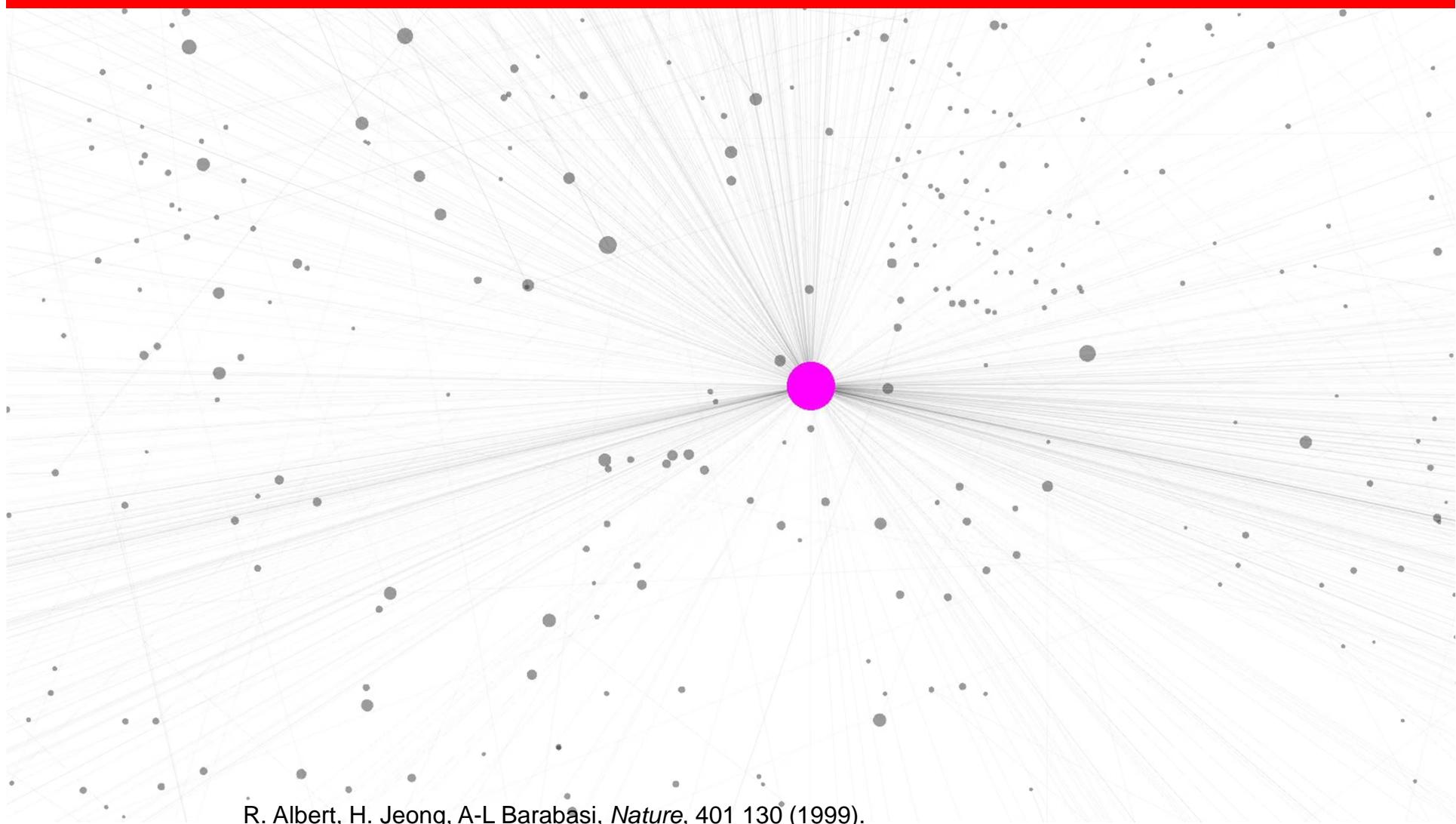
In order to identify these, we need to understand how would a particular property look like if it is driven entirely by random processes.

**While WRONG and IRRELEVANT, it will turn out to be extremly USEFUL!**

## Section 1

# Scale-free property

## WORLD WIDE WEB



## Section 2

# Power laws and scale-free networks

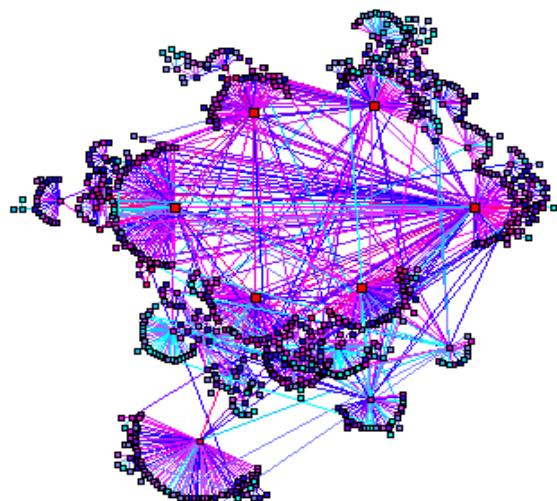
# WORLD WIDE WEB

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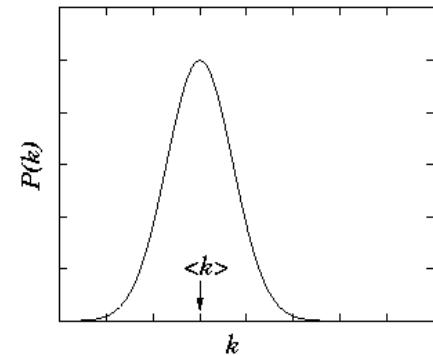
Links: **URL links**

Over 3 billion documents

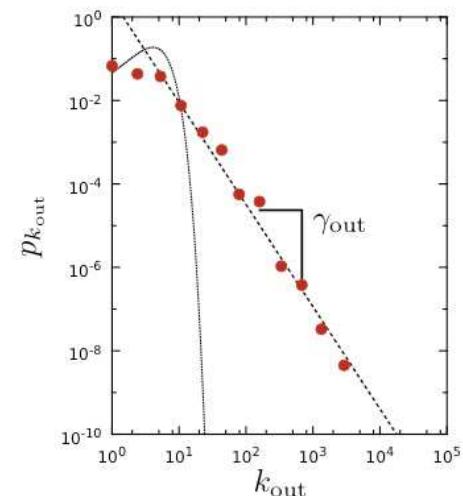
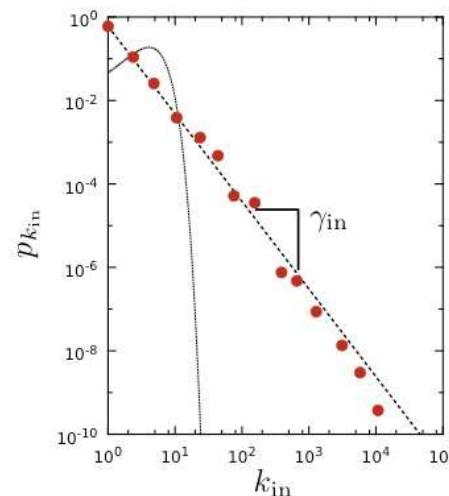
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R. Albert, H. Jeong, A-L Barabasi, *Nature*, 401 130 (1999).



**Expected**



Network Science: Scale-Free Property

## Discrete vs. Continuum formalism

### Discrete Formalism

As node degrees are always positive integers, the discrete formalism captures the probability that a node has exactly  $k$  links:

$$p_k = Ck^{-\gamma}.$$

$$\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} p_k = 1.$$

$$C \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} k^{-\gamma} = 1 \quad C = \frac{1}{\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} k^{-\gamma}} = \frac{1}{\zeta(\gamma)},$$

$$p_k = \frac{k^{-\gamma}}{\zeta(\gamma)}$$

**INTERPRETATION:**

$$p_k$$

### Continuum Formalism

In analytical calculations it is often convenient to assume that the degrees can take up any positive real value:

$$p(k) = Ck^{-\gamma}.$$

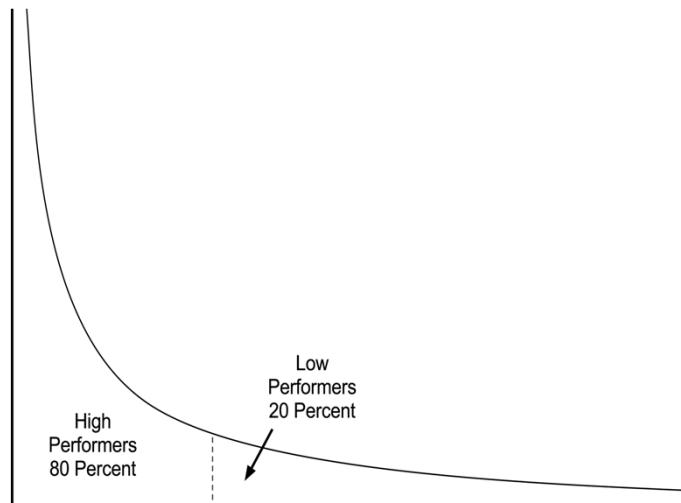
$$\int_{k_{\min}}^{\infty} p(k)dk = 1$$

$$C = \frac{1}{\int_{k_{\min}}^{\infty} k^{-\gamma} dk} = (\gamma - 1)k_{\min}^{\gamma-1}$$

$$p(k) = (\gamma - 1)k_{\min}^{\gamma-1}k^{-\gamma}.$$

$$\int_{k_1}^{k_2} p(k)dk$$

## 80/20 RULE

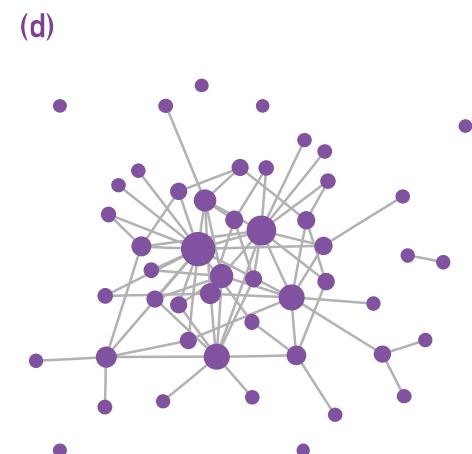
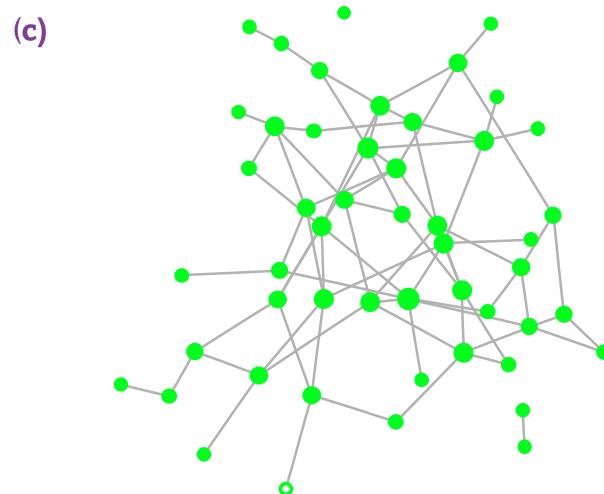
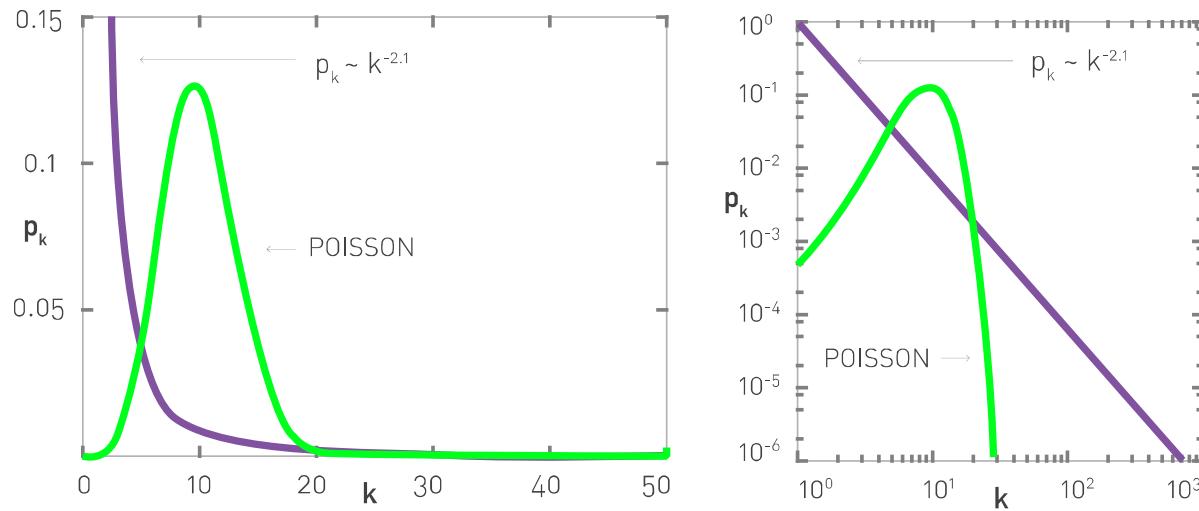


**Vilfredo Federico Damaso Pareto (1848 – 1923)**, Italian economist, political scientist and philosopher, who had important contributions to our understanding of income distribution and to the analysis of individuals choices. A number of fundamental principles are named after him, like Pareto efficiency, Pareto distribution (another name for a power-law distribution), the Pareto principle (or 80/20 law).

## Section 3

# Hubs

## The difference between a power law and an exponential distribution

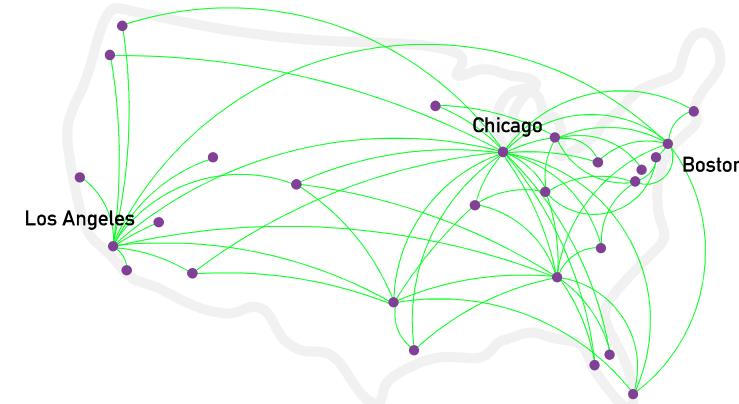
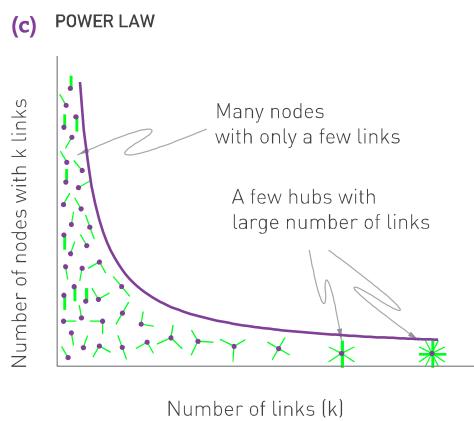
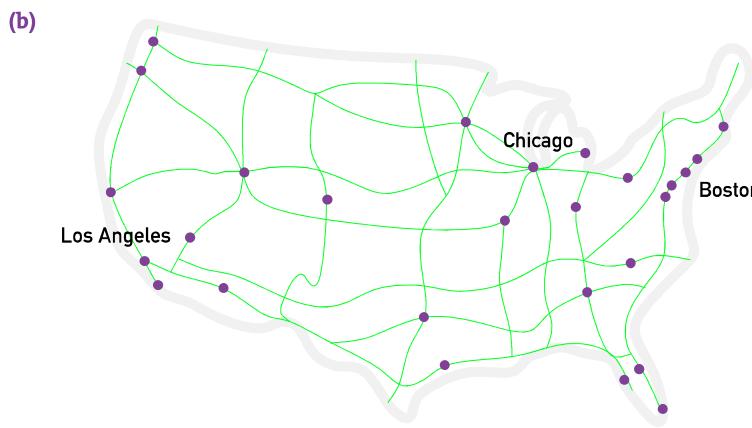
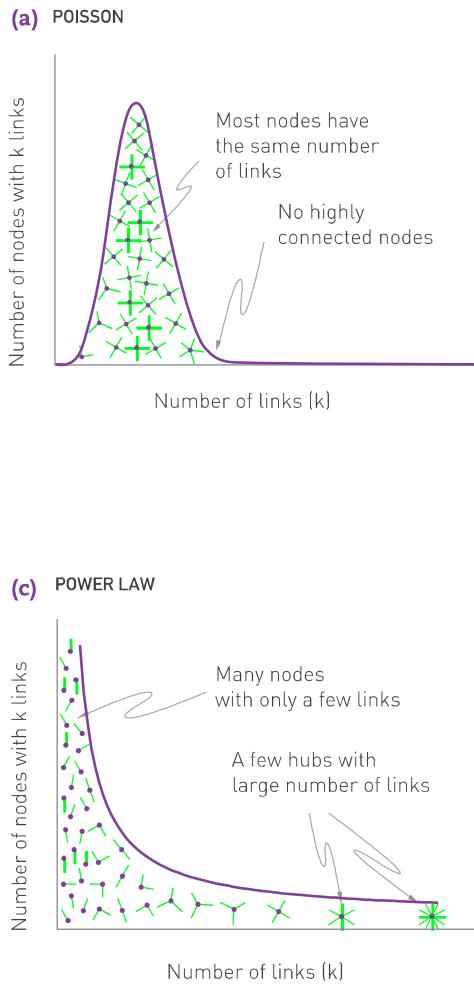


## The difference between a power law and an exponential distribution

Let us use the WWW to illustrate the properties of the high- $k$  regime.

The probability to have a node with  $k \sim 100$  is

- About  $p_{100} \simeq 10^{-30}$  in a Poisson distribution
- About  $p_{100} \simeq 10^{-4}$  if  $p_k$  follows a power law.
- Consequently, if the WWW were to be a random network, according to the Poisson prediction we would expect  $10^{-18}$   $k > 100$  degree nodes, or none.
- For a power law degree distribution, we expect about  $N_{k>100} = k^{0.9} 100$  degree nodes



Network Science: Scale-Free Property

## The size of the biggest hub

All real networks are finite → let us explore its consequences.

→ We have an expected maximum degree,  $k_{\max}$

Estimating  $k_{\max}$

$$\int_{k_{\max}}^{\infty} P(k) dk \approx \frac{1}{N}$$

Why: the probability to have a node larger than  $k_{\max}$  should not exceed the prob. to have one node, i.e.  $1/N$  fraction of all nodes

$$\int_{k_{\max}}^{\infty} P(k) dk = (\gamma - 1) k_{\min}^{\gamma-1} \int_{k_{\max}}^{\infty} k^{-\gamma} dk = \frac{(\gamma - 1)}{(-\gamma + 1)} k_{\min}^{\gamma-1} \left[ k^{-\gamma+1} \right]_{k_{\max}}^{\infty} = \frac{k_{\min}^{\gamma-1}}{k_{\max}^{\gamma-1}} \approx \frac{1}{N}$$

$$k_{\max} = k_{\min} N^{\frac{1}{\gamma-1}}$$

## The size of the biggest hub

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To illustrate the difference in the maximum degree of an exponential and a scale-free network let us return to the WWW sample of [Figure 4.1](#), consisting of  $N \approx 3 \times 10^5$  nodes. As  $k_{\min} = 1$ , if the degree distribution were to follow an exponential, [\(4.17\)](#) predicts that the maximum degree should be  $k_{\max} \approx 13$ . In a scale-free network of similar size and  $\gamma = 2.1$ , [\(4.18\)](#) predicts  $k_{\max} \approx 85,000$ , a remarkable difference. Note that the largest in-degree of the WWW map of [Figure 4.1](#) is 10,721, which is comparable to  $k_{\max}$  predicted by a scale-free network. This reinforces our conclusion that *in a random network hubs are effectively forbidden, while in scale-free networks they are naturally present.*

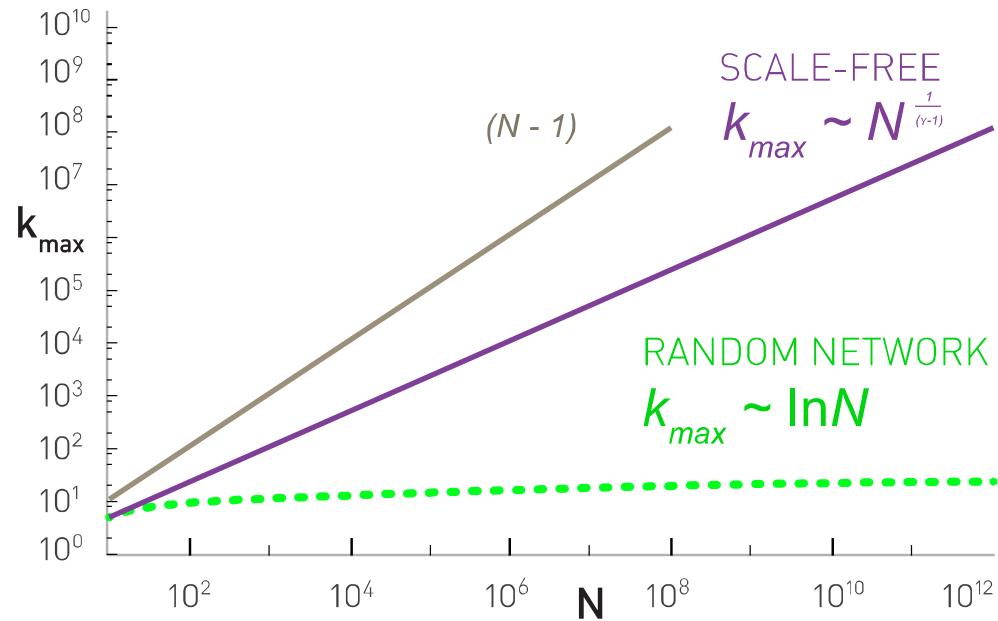
# Finite scale-free networks

Expected maximum degree,  $k_{\max}$

$$k_{\max} = k_{\min} N^{\frac{1}{\gamma-1}}$$

- $k_{\max}$ , increases with the size of the network  
→ the larger a system is, the larger its biggest hub
- For  $\gamma > 2$   $k_{\max}$  increases slower than  $N$   
→ the largest hub will contain a decreasing fraction of links as  $N$  increases.
- For  $\gamma = 2$   $k_{\max} \sim N$ .  
→ The size of the biggest hub is  $O(N)$
- For  $\gamma < 2$   $k_{\max}$  increases faster than  $N$ : condensation phenomena  
→ the largest hub will grab an increasing fraction of links. Anomaly!

## The size of the largest hub



$$k_{\max} = k_{\min} N^{\frac{1}{\gamma-1}}$$

## Section 4

# The meaning of scale-free

## Scale-free networks: Definition

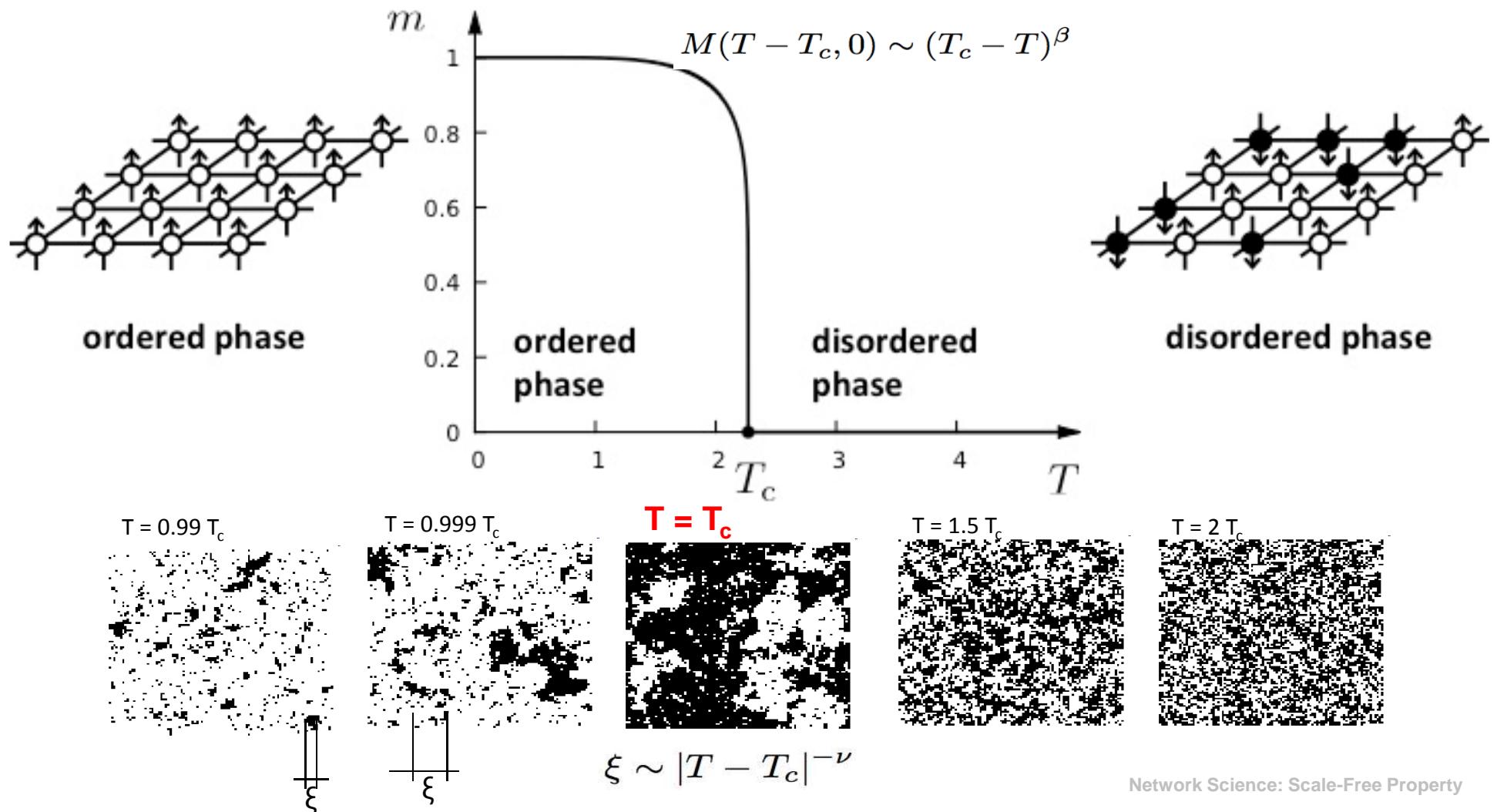
**Definition:**

**Networks with a power law tail in their degree distribution are called ‘scale-free networks’**

Where does the name come from?

**Critical Phenomena and scale-invariance**  
(a detour)

## Phase transitions in complex systems I: Magnetism



## Scale-free behavior in space

$$\xi \sim |T - T_c|^{-\nu}$$

At  $T = T_c$ :  
correlation length  
diverges

Fluctuations emerge at  
all scales:

*scale-free behavior*



# Scale invariance at the critical point

by Douglas Ashton

[www.kineticallyconstrained.com](http://www.kineticallyconstrained.com)

## CRITICAL PHENOMENA

- Correlation length diverges at the critical point: the whole system is correlated!
- **Scale invariance:** there is no characteristic scale for the fluctuation (**scale-free behavior**).
- **Universality:** exponents are independent of the system's details.

## Divergences in scale-free distributions

$$P(k) = Ck^{-\gamma} \quad k = [k_{\min}, \infty)$$
$$\int_{k_{\min}}^{\infty} P(k) dk = 1 \quad C = \frac{1}{\int_{k_{\min}}^{\infty} k^{-\gamma} dk} = (\gamma - 1) k_{\min}^{\gamma-1}$$
$$P(k) = (\gamma - 1) k_{\min}^{\gamma-1} k^{-\gamma}$$

$$\langle k^m \rangle = \int_{k_{\min}}^{\infty} k^m P(k) dk \quad \langle k^m \rangle = (\gamma - 1) k_{\min}^{\gamma-1} \int_{k_{\min}}^{\infty} k^{m-\gamma} dk = \frac{(\gamma - 1)}{(m - \gamma + 1)} k_{\min}^{\gamma-1} \left[ k^{m-\gamma+1} \right]_{k_{\min}}^{\infty}$$

If  $m - \gamma + 1 < 0$ :

$$\langle k^m \rangle = -\frac{(\gamma - 1)}{(m - \gamma + 1)} k_{\min}^m$$

If  $m - \gamma + 1 > 0$ , the integral diverges.

For a fixed  $\gamma$  this means that all moments with  $m > \gamma - 1$  diverge.

## DIVERGENCE OF THE HIGHER MOMENTS

$$\langle k^m \rangle = (\gamma - 1) k_{\min}^{\gamma-1} \int_{k_{\min}}^{\infty} k^{m-\lambda} dk = \frac{(\gamma-1)}{(m-\gamma+1)} k_{\min}^{\gamma-1} [k^{m-\gamma+1}]_{k_{\min}}^{\infty}$$

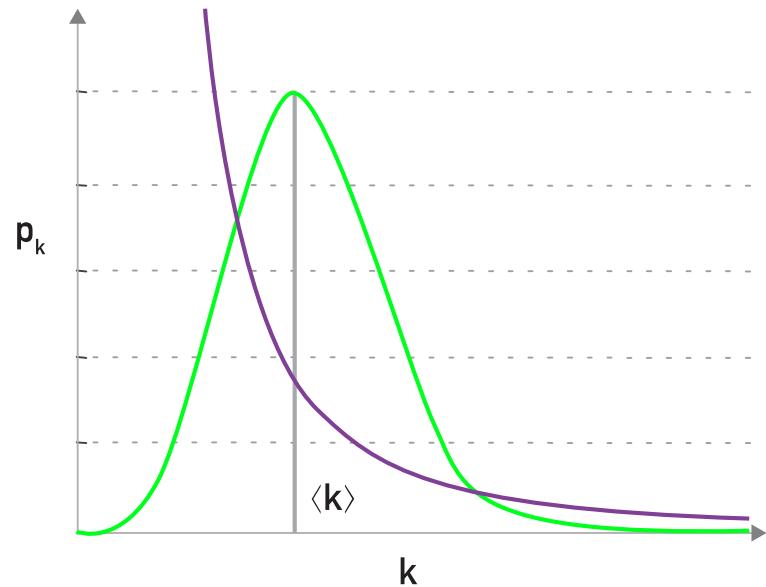
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Network	Size	$\langle k \rangle$	$\kappa$	$\gamma_{out}$	$\gamma_{in}$
WWW	325 729	4.51	900	2.45	2.1
WWW	$4 \times 10^7$	7		2.38	2.1
WWW	$2 \times 10^8$	7.5	4000	2.72	2.1
WWW, site	260 000			1.94	
Internet, domain*	3015–4389	3.42–3.76	30–40	2.1–2.2	2.1–2.2
Internet, router*	3888	2.57	30	2.48	2.48
Internet, router*	150 000	2.66	60	2.4	2.4
Movie actors*	212 250	28.78	900	2.3	2.3
Co-authors, SPIRES*	56 627	173	1100	1.2	1.2
Co-authors, neuro.*	209 293	11.54	400	2.1	2.1
Co-authors, math.*	70 975	3.9	120	2.5	2.5
Sexual contacts*	2810			3.4	3.4
Metabolic, <i>E. coli</i>	778	7.4	110	2.2	2.2
Protein, <i>S. cerev.</i> *	1870	2.39		2.4	2.4
Ythan estuary*	134	8.7	35	1.05	1.05
Silwood Park*	154	4.75	27	1.13	1.13
Citation	783 339	8.57		3	
Phone call	$53 \times 10^6$	3.16		2.1	2.1
Words, co-occurrence*	460 902	70.13		2.7	2.7
Words, synonyms*	22 311	13.48		2.8	2.8

Many degree exponents are smaller than 3

→  $\langle k^2 \rangle$  diverges in the  $N \rightarrow \infty$  limit!!!

## The meaning of scale-free



### Random Network

Randomly chosen node:  $k = \langle k \rangle \pm \langle k \rangle^{1/2}$

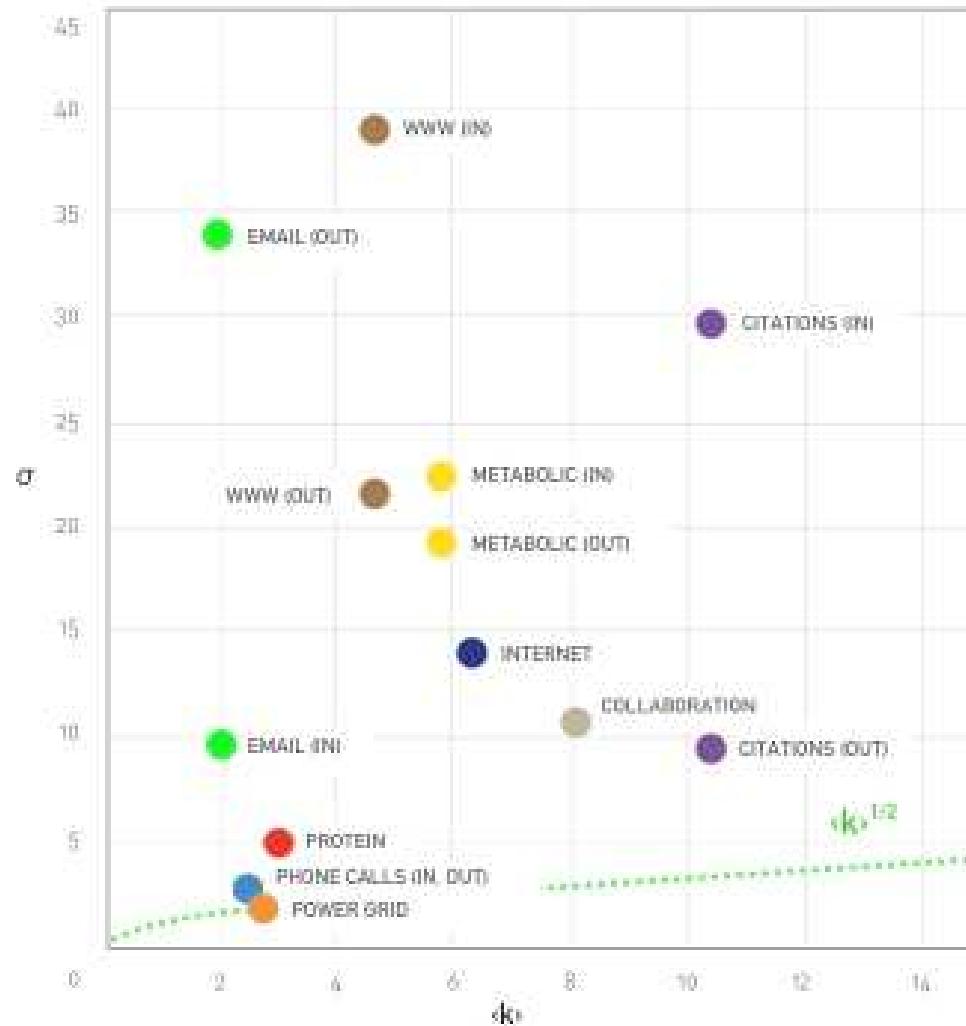
Scale:  $\langle k \rangle$

### Scale-Free Network

Randomly chosen node:  $k = \langle k \rangle \pm \infty$

Scale: none

## The meaning of scale-free



$$k = \langle k \rangle \pm \sigma_k$$

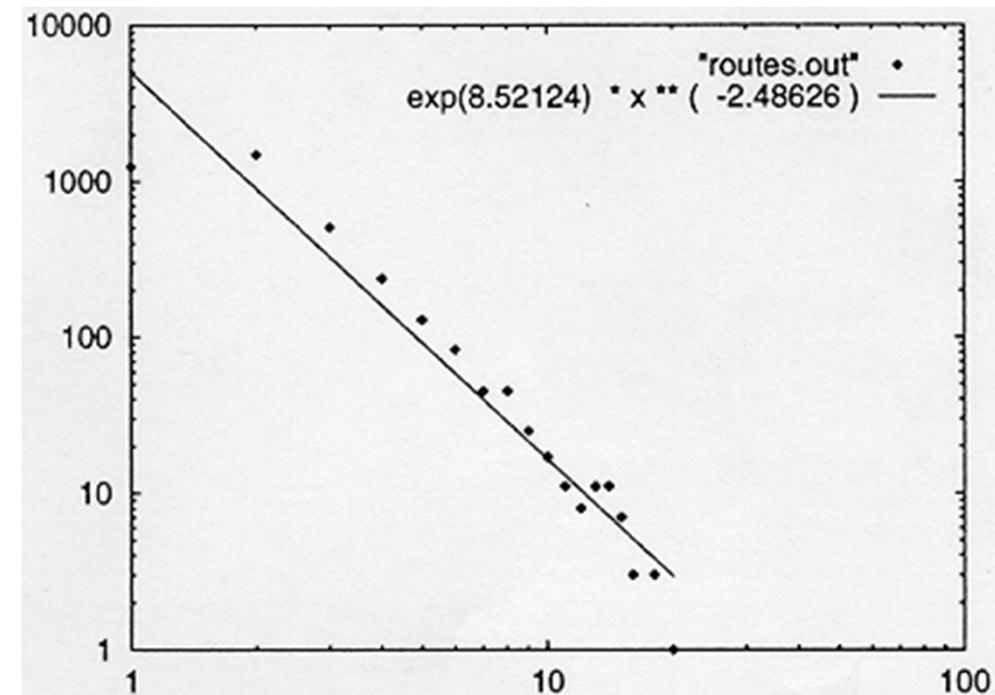
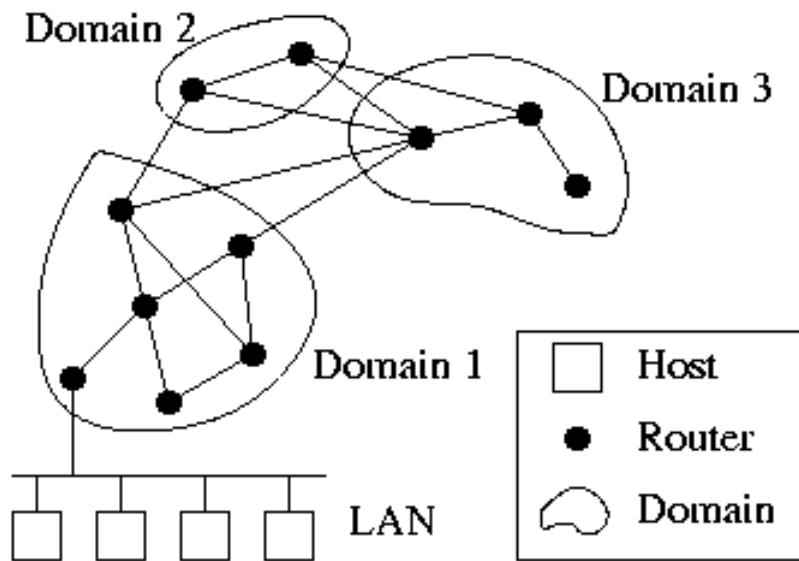
## Section 5

# universality

# INTERNET BACKBONE

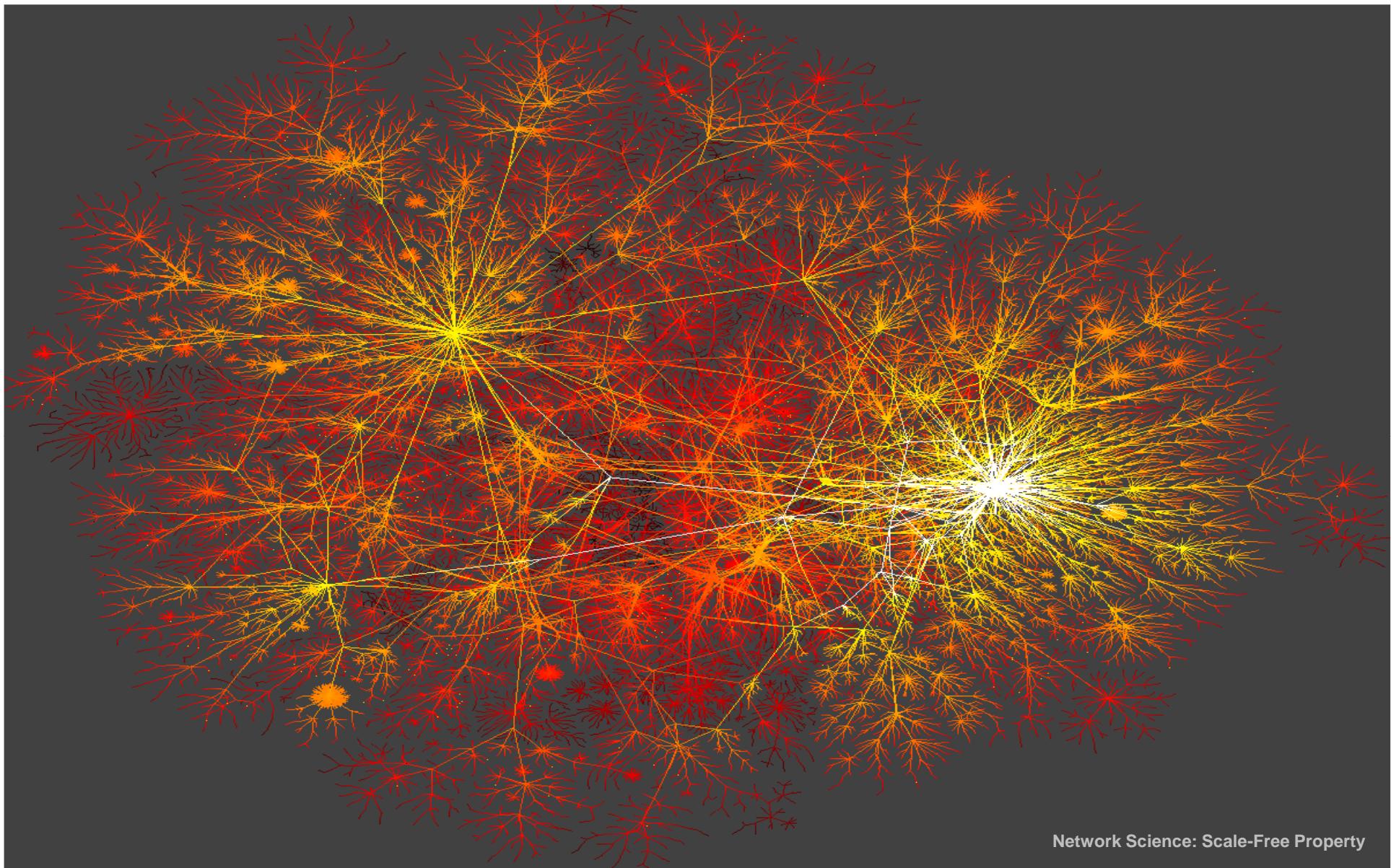
**Nodes**: computers, routers

**Links**: physical lines



(Faloutsos, Faloutsos and Faloutsos, 1999)

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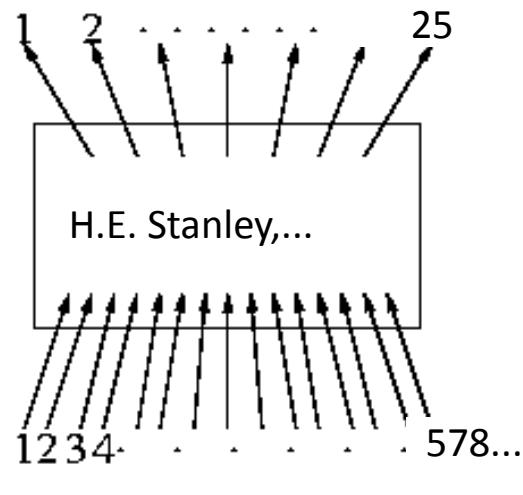
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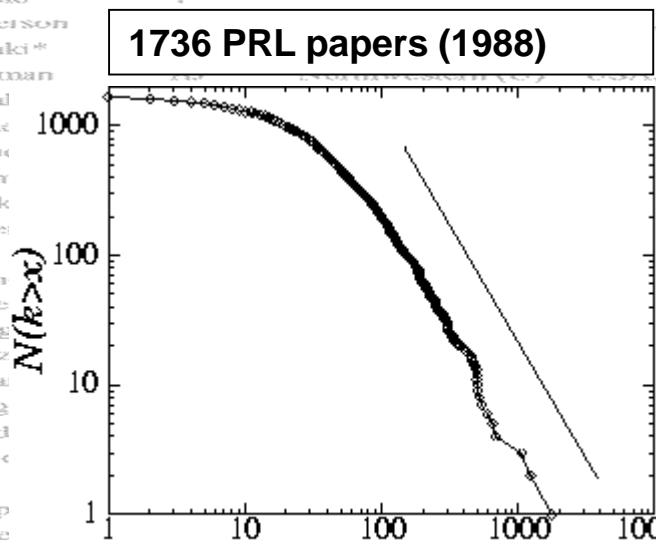
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(S. Redner, 1998)

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$$P(k) \sim k^{-\gamma} \quad (\gamma=3)$$

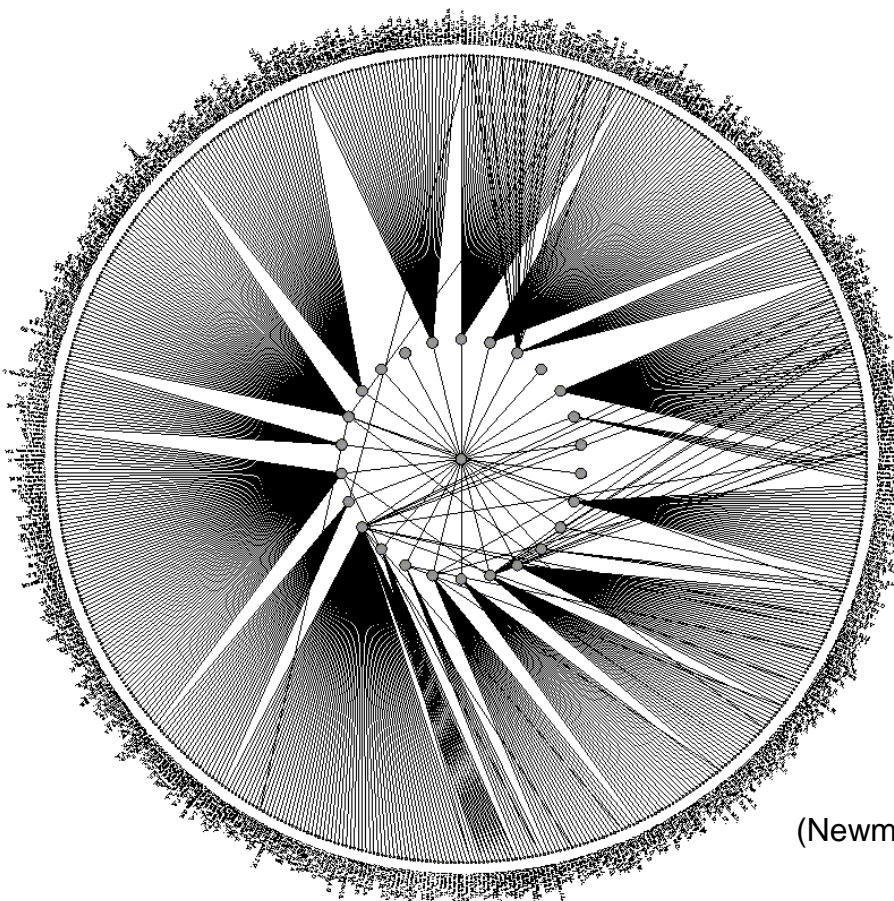


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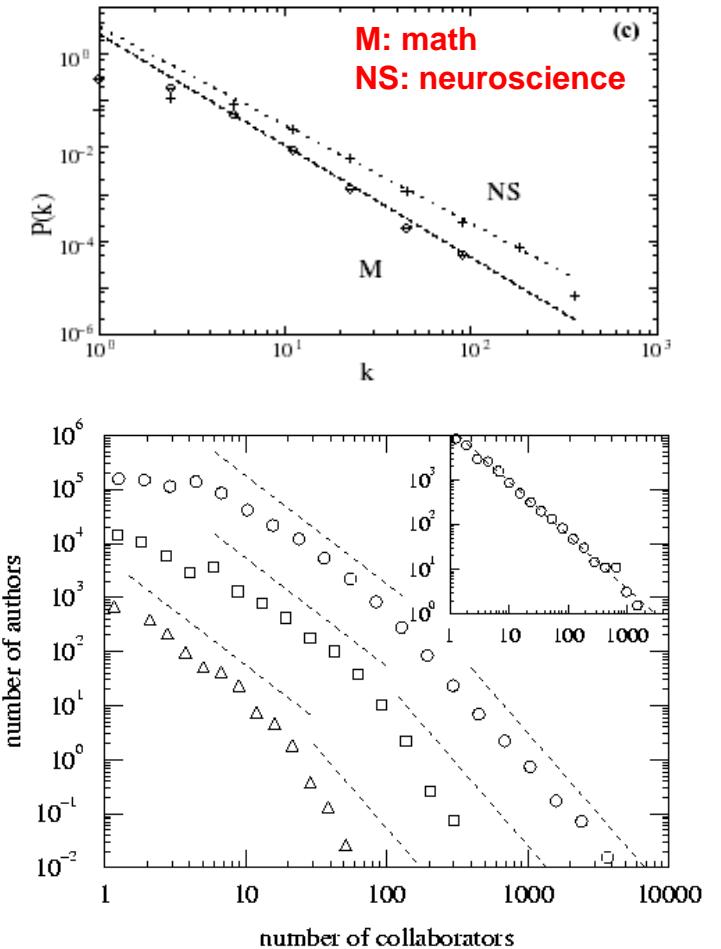
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(Newman, 2000, Barabasi et al 2001)



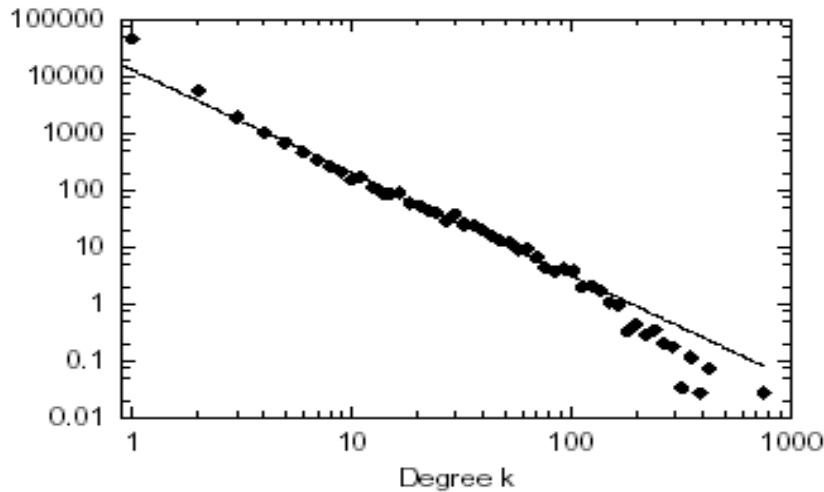
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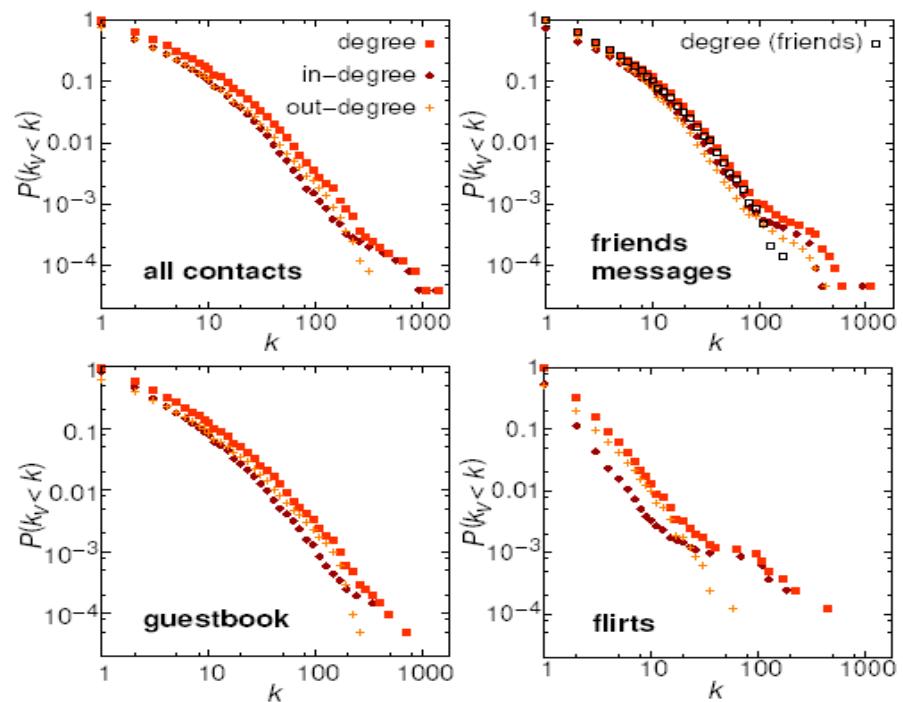
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Kiel University log files  
112 days, N=59,912 nodes



Ebel, Mielsch, Bornholdtz, PRE 2002.

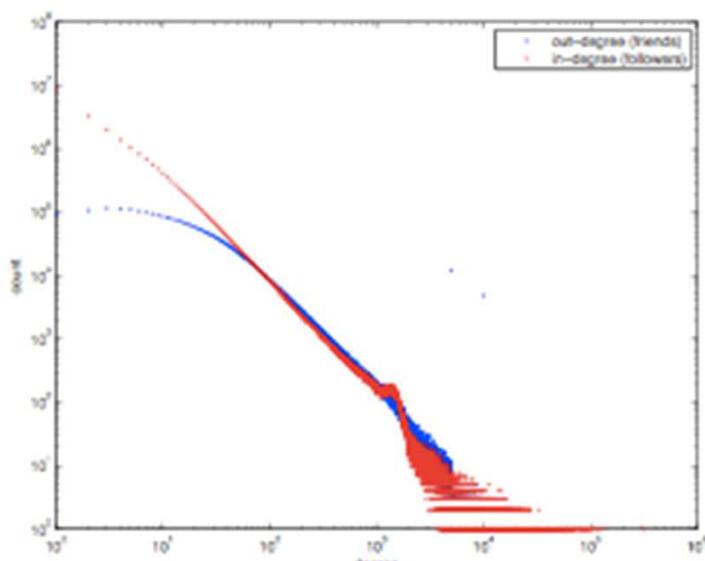
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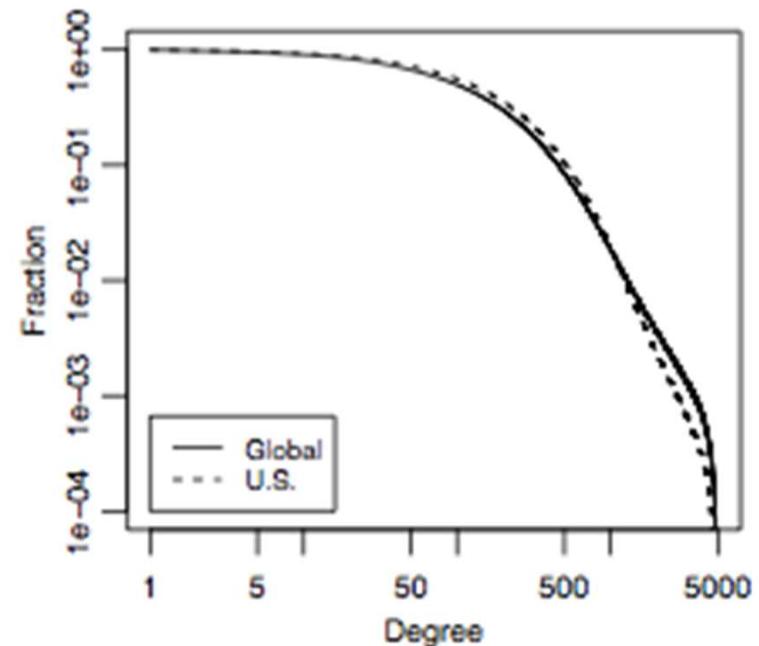
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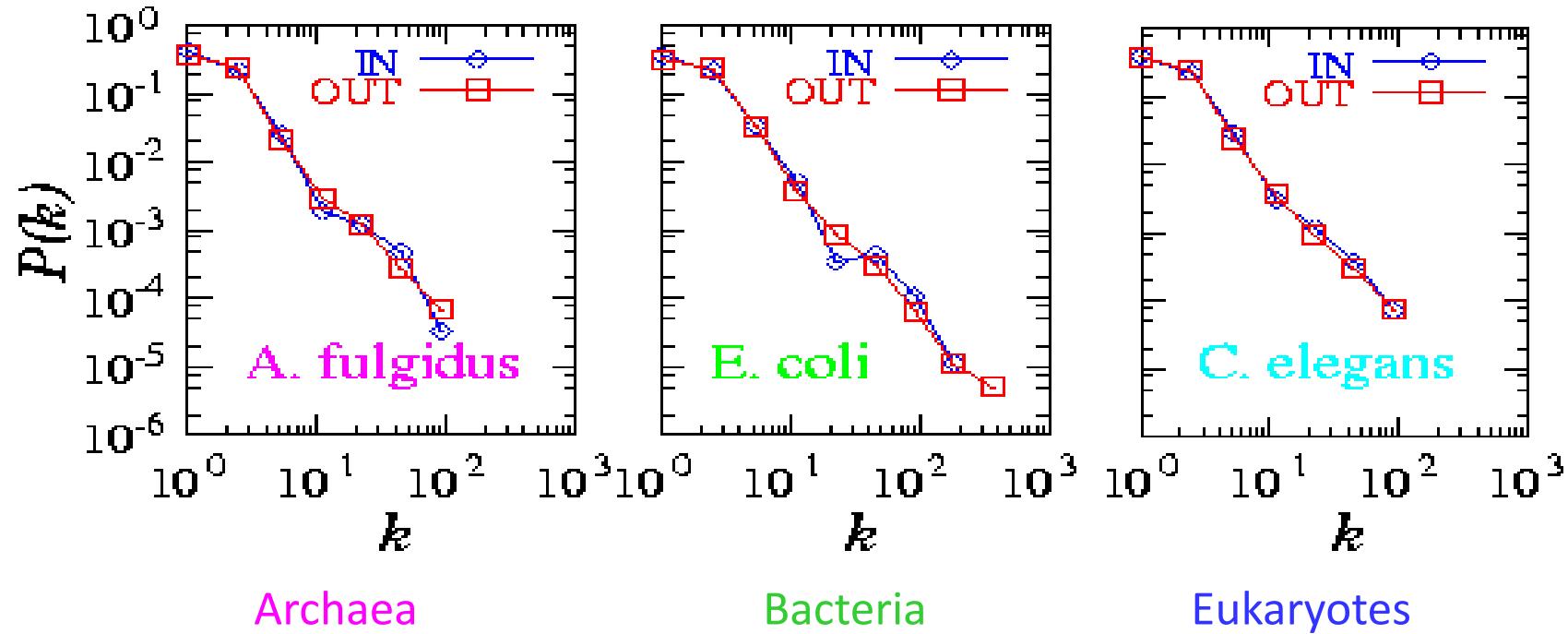


Facebook



Brian Karrer, Lars Backstrom, Cameron Marlowm 2011

## METABOLIC NETWORK



Organisms from all three  
domains of life are **scale-free!**

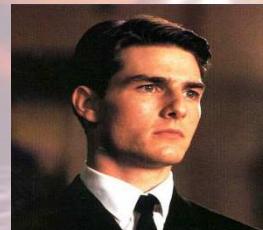
$$P_{in}(k) \approx k^{-2.2}$$

$$P_{out}(k) \approx k^{-2.2}$$

# ACTOR NETWORK

Nodes: actors

Links: cast jointly



*Days of Thunder* (1990)  
*Far and Away* (1992)  
*Eyes Wide Shut* (1999)

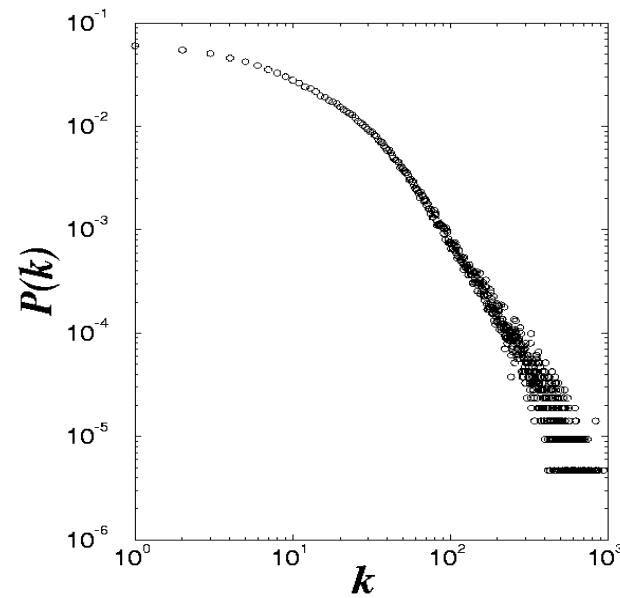


$N = 212,250$  actors  
 $\langle k \rangle = 28.78$

STAR WARS  
EPISODE I  
THE PHANTOM  
Menace

$P(k) \sim k^{-\gamma}$

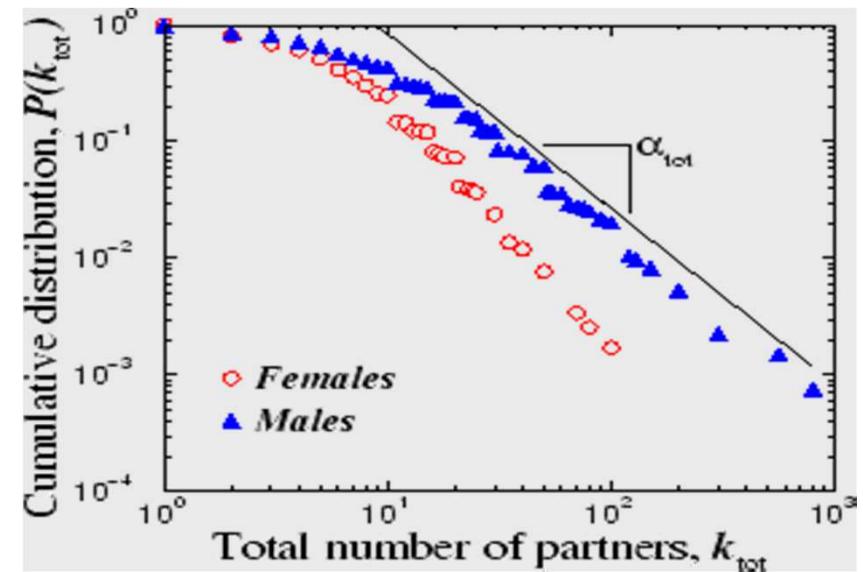
$\gamma=2.3$



## SWEDISH SE-WEB



**Nodes:** people (Females; Males)  
**Links:** sexual relationships

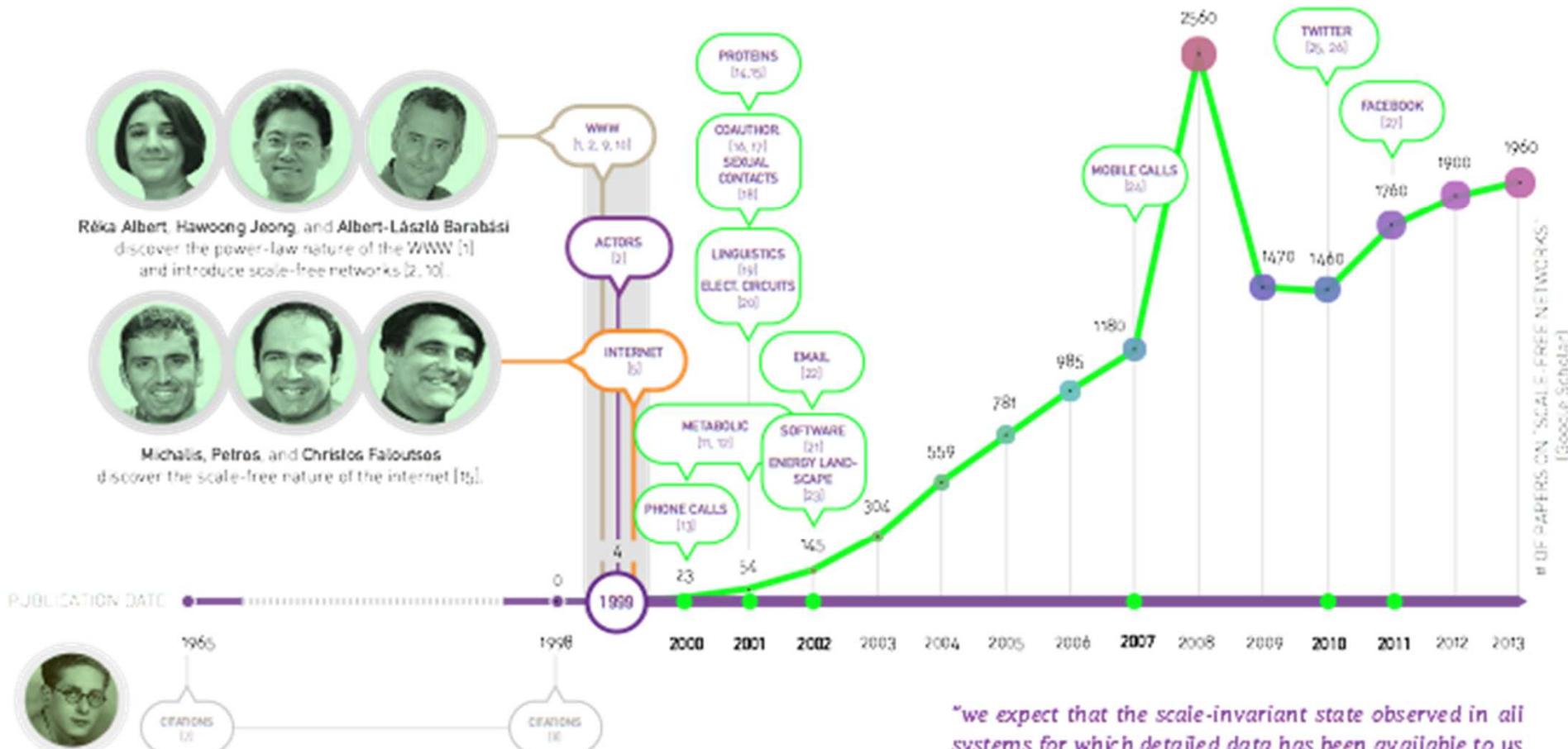


4781 Swedes; 18-74;  
59% response rate.

Liljeros et al. Nature 2001

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## TIMELINE: SCALE-FREE NETWORKS

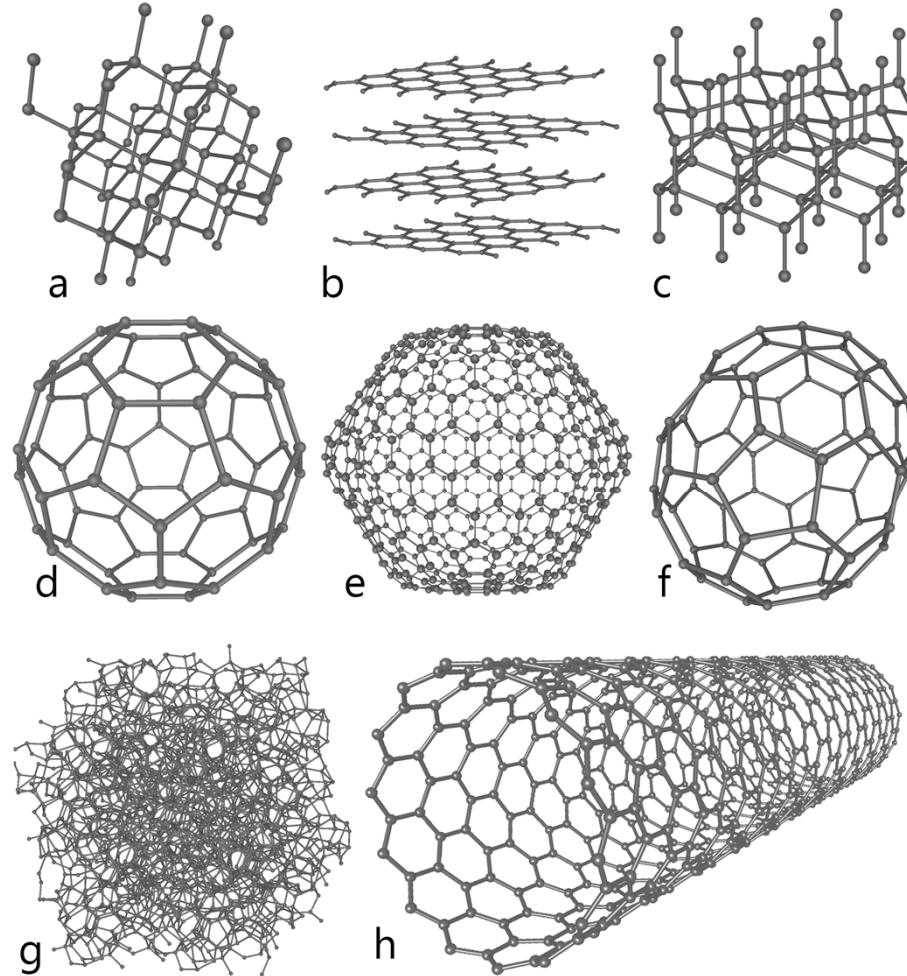


"we expect that the scale-invariant state observed in all systems for which detailed data has been available to us is a generic property of many complex networks, with applicability reaching far beyond the quoted examples."

Barabási and Albert, 1999

## Not all networks are scale-free

- Networks appearing in material science, like the network describing the bonds between the atoms in crystalline or amorphous materials, where each node has exactly the same degree.
- The neural network of the *C.elegans* worm.
- The power grid, consisting of generators and switches connected by transmission lines

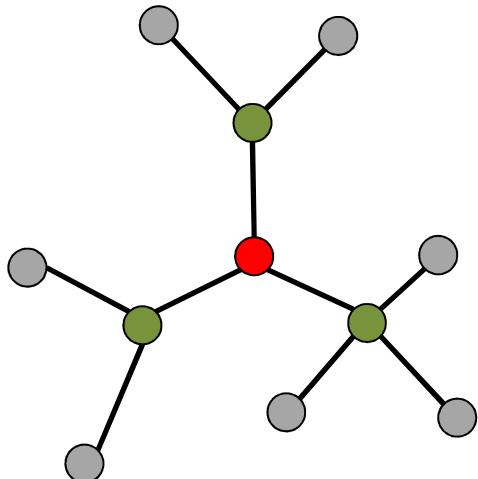


## Section 6

# Ultra-small property

## DISTANCES IN RANDOM GRAPHS

Random graphs tend to have a tree-like topology with almost constant node degrees.



- nr. of first neighbors:
- nr. of second neighbors:
- nr. of neighbours at distance d:
- estimate maximum distance:

$$\begin{aligned}N_1 &\cong \langle k \rangle \\N_2 &\cong \langle k \rangle^2 \\N_d &\cong \langle k \rangle^d\end{aligned}$$

$$1 + \sum_{l=1}^{l_{max}} \langle k \rangle^i = N \Rightarrow l_{max} = \frac{\log N}{\log \langle k \rangle}$$

## SMALL WORLD BEHAVIOR IN SCALE-FREE NETWORKS

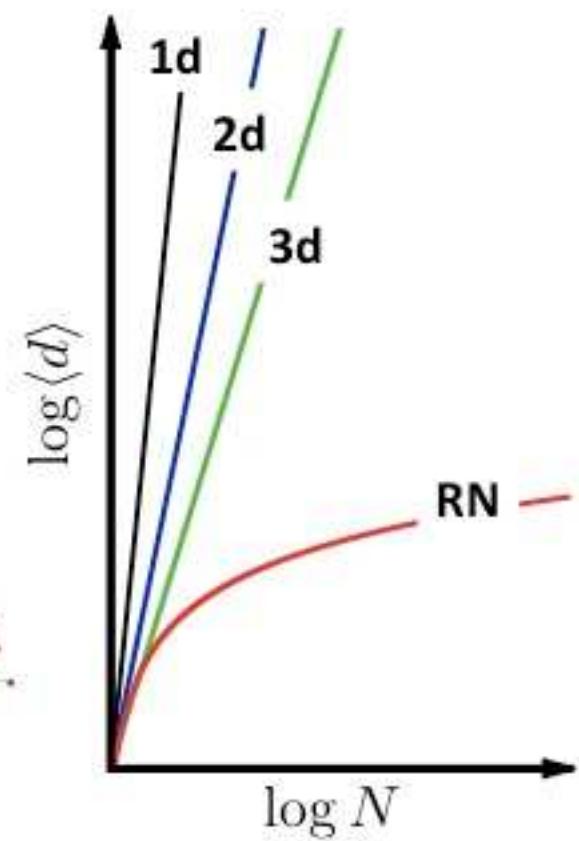
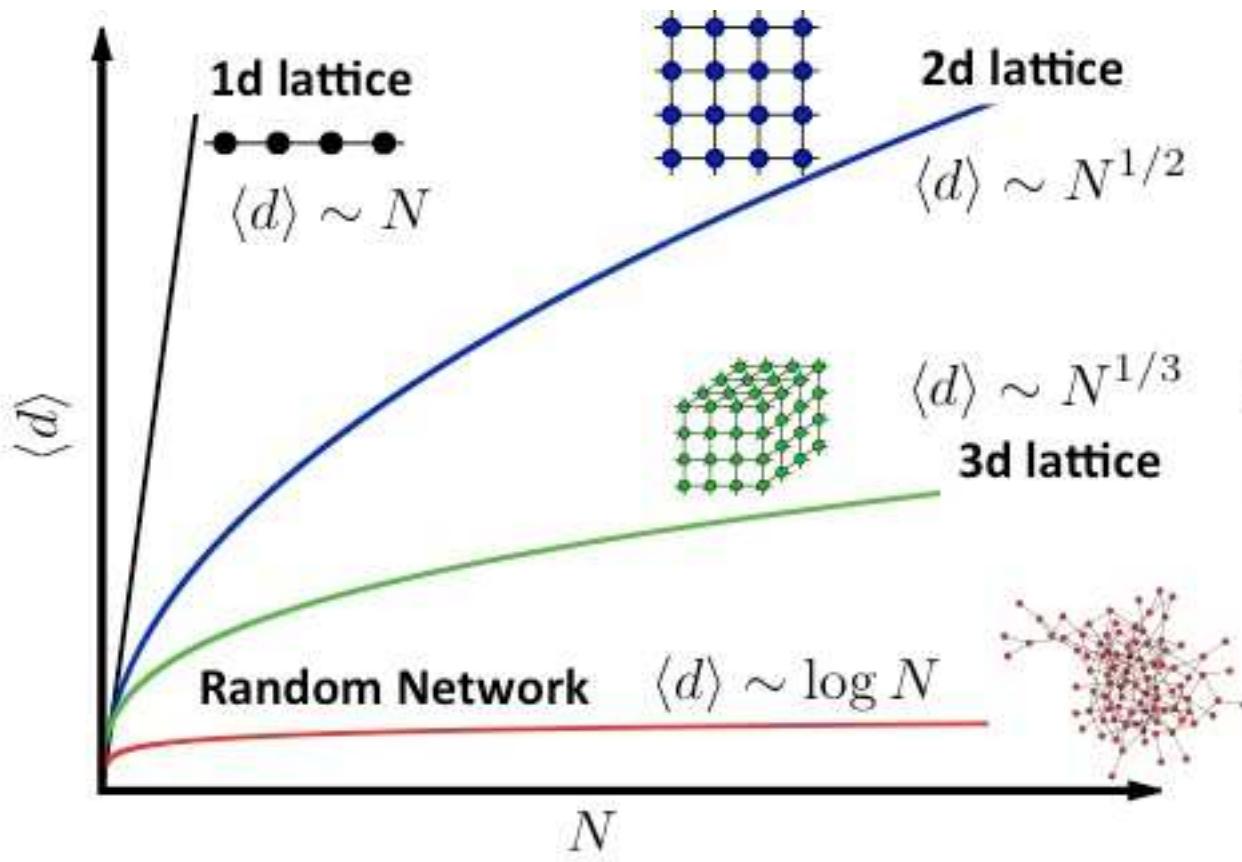
$$k_{\max} = k_{\min} N^{\frac{1}{\gamma-1}}$$

<b>Ultra Small World</b> $\langle l \rangle \sim$	$\begin{cases} \text{const.} & \gamma = 2 \\ \frac{\ln \ln N}{\ln(\gamma - 1)} & 2 < \gamma < 3 \\ \frac{\ln N}{\ln \ln N} & \gamma = 3 \\ \ln N & \gamma > 3 \end{cases}$	<p>Size of the biggest hub is of order <math>O(N)</math>. Most nodes can be connected within two layers of it, thus the average path length will be independent of the system size.</p> <p>The average path length increases slower than logarithmically. In a random network all nodes have comparable degree, thus most paths will have comparable length. In a scale-free network the vast majority of the path go through the few high degree hubs, reducing the distances between nodes.</p> <p>Some key models produce <math>\gamma=3</math>, so the result is of particular importance for them. This was first derived by Bollobas and collaborators for the network diameter in the context of a dynamical model, but it holds for the average path length as well.</p> <p>The second moment of the distribution is finite, thus in many ways the network behaves as a random network. Hence the average path length follows the result that we derived for the random network model earlier.</p>
<b>Small World</b>		

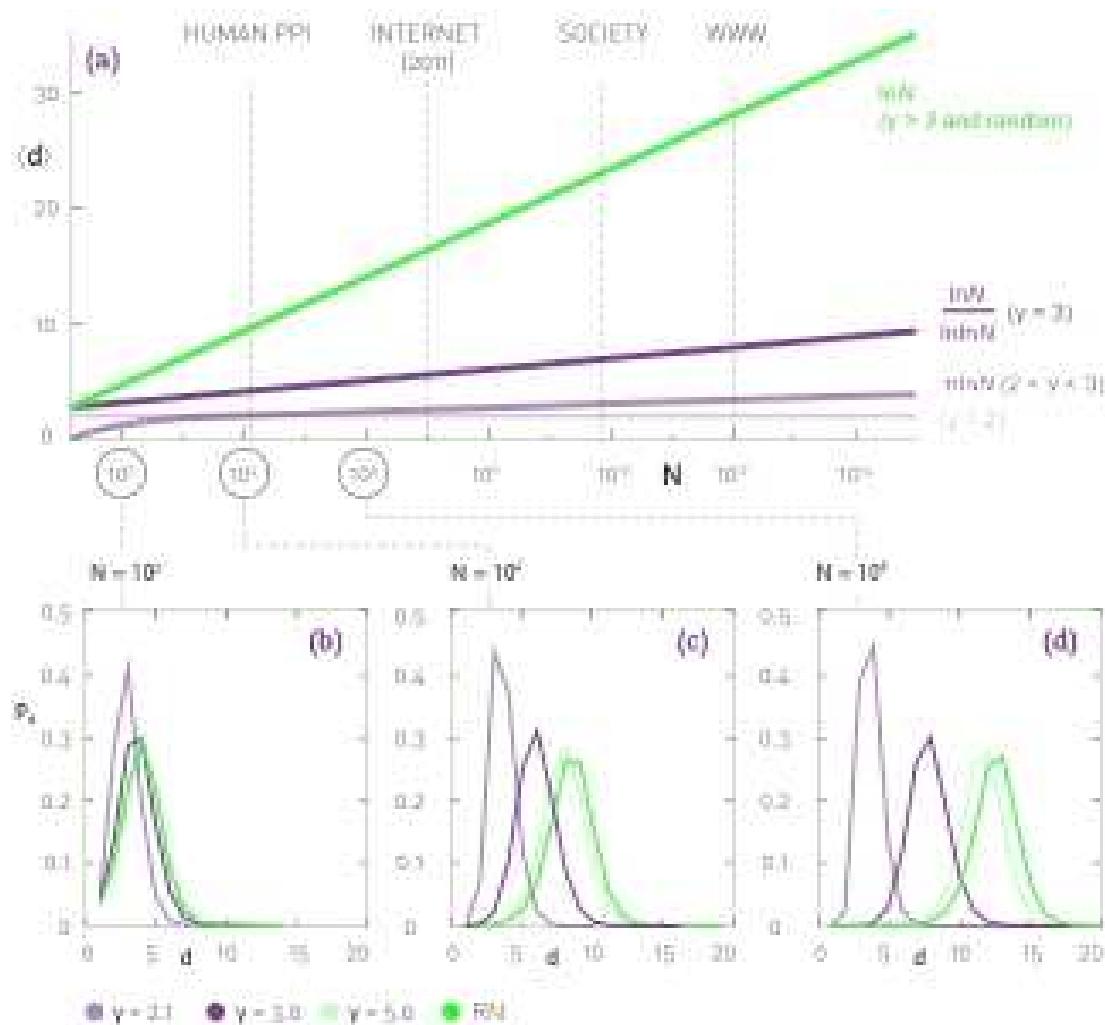
Cohen, Havlin Phys. Rev. Lett. 90, 58701(2003); Cohen, Havlin and ben-Avraham, in Handbook of Graphs and Networks, Eds. Bornholdt and Shuster (Wiley-VCH, NY, 2002) Chap. 4; Confirmed also by: Dorogovtsev et al (2002), Chung and Lu (2002); (Bollobas, Riordan, 2002; Bollobas, 1985; Newman, 2001

Why are small worlds surprising?

Surprising compared to what?



# SMALL WORLD BEHAVIOR IN SCALE-FREE NETWORKS

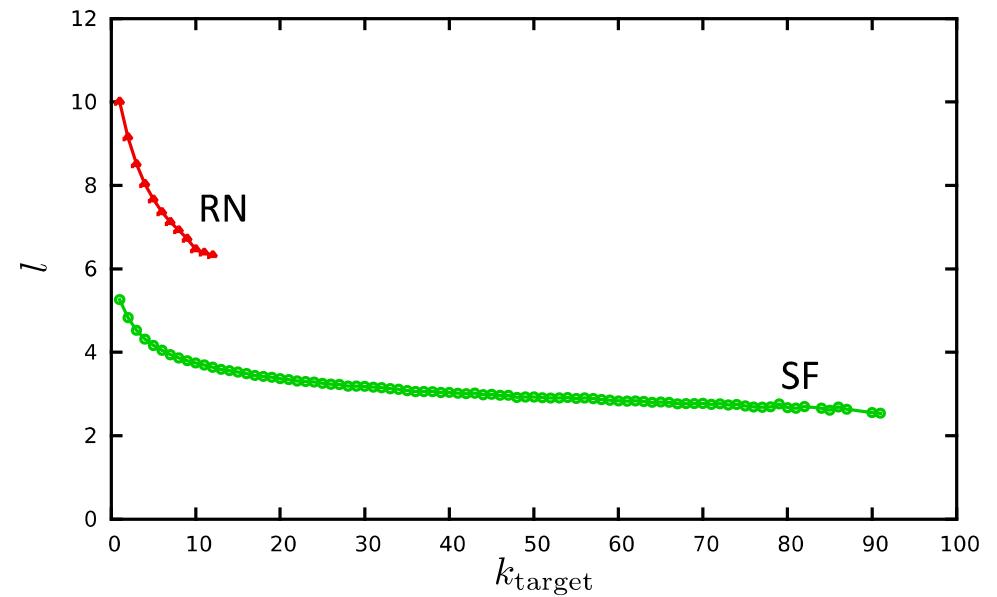


$$\langle d \rangle \sim \begin{cases} \text{const.} & \gamma = 2, \\ \frac{\ln \ln N}{\ln(\gamma - 1)} & 2 < \gamma < 3, \\ \frac{\ln N}{\ln \ln N} & \gamma = 3, \\ \ln N & \gamma > 3. \end{cases}$$

## We are always close to the hubs

" it's always easier to find someone who knows a famous or popular figure than some run-the-mill, insignificant person."

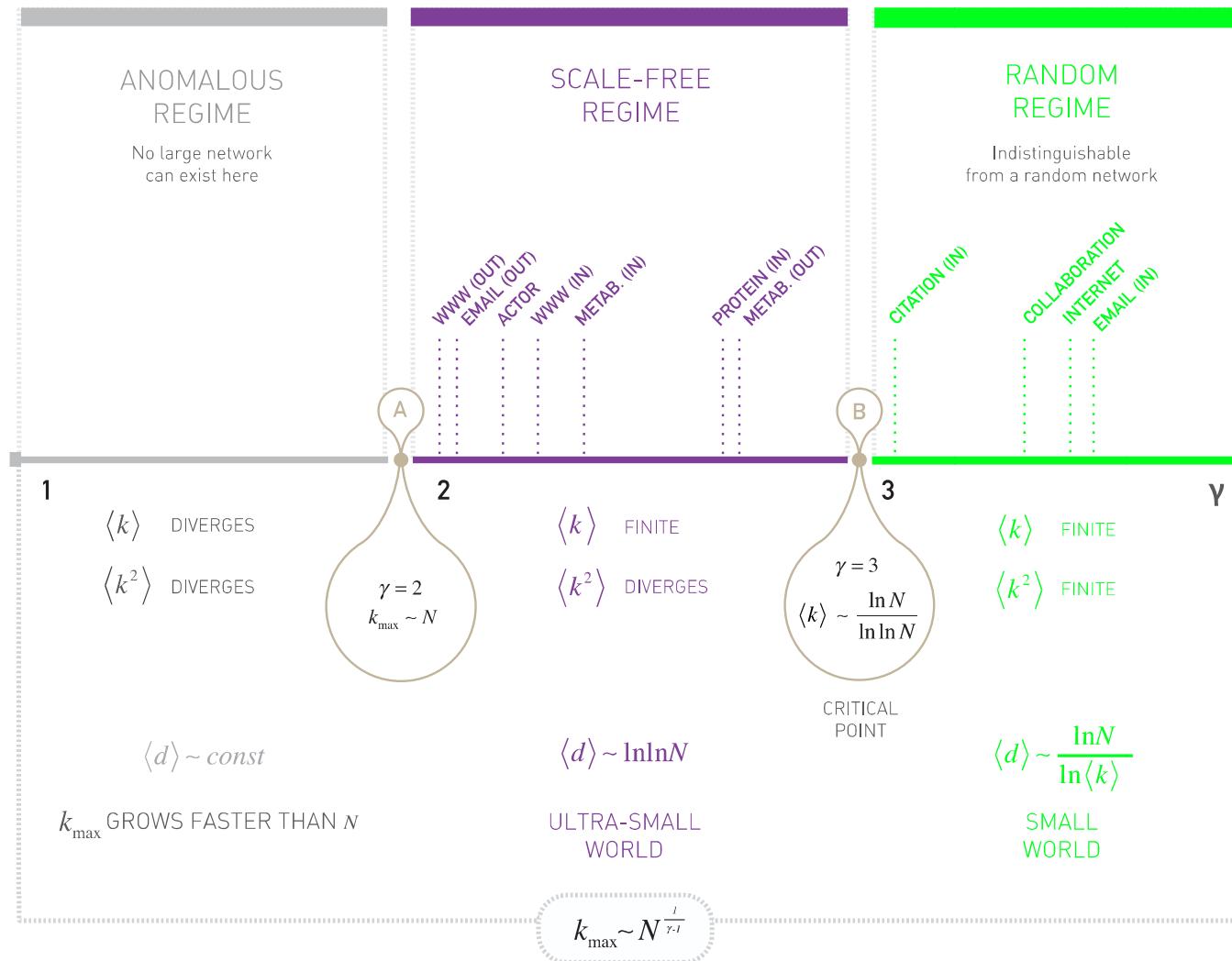
(Frigyes Karinthy, 1929)



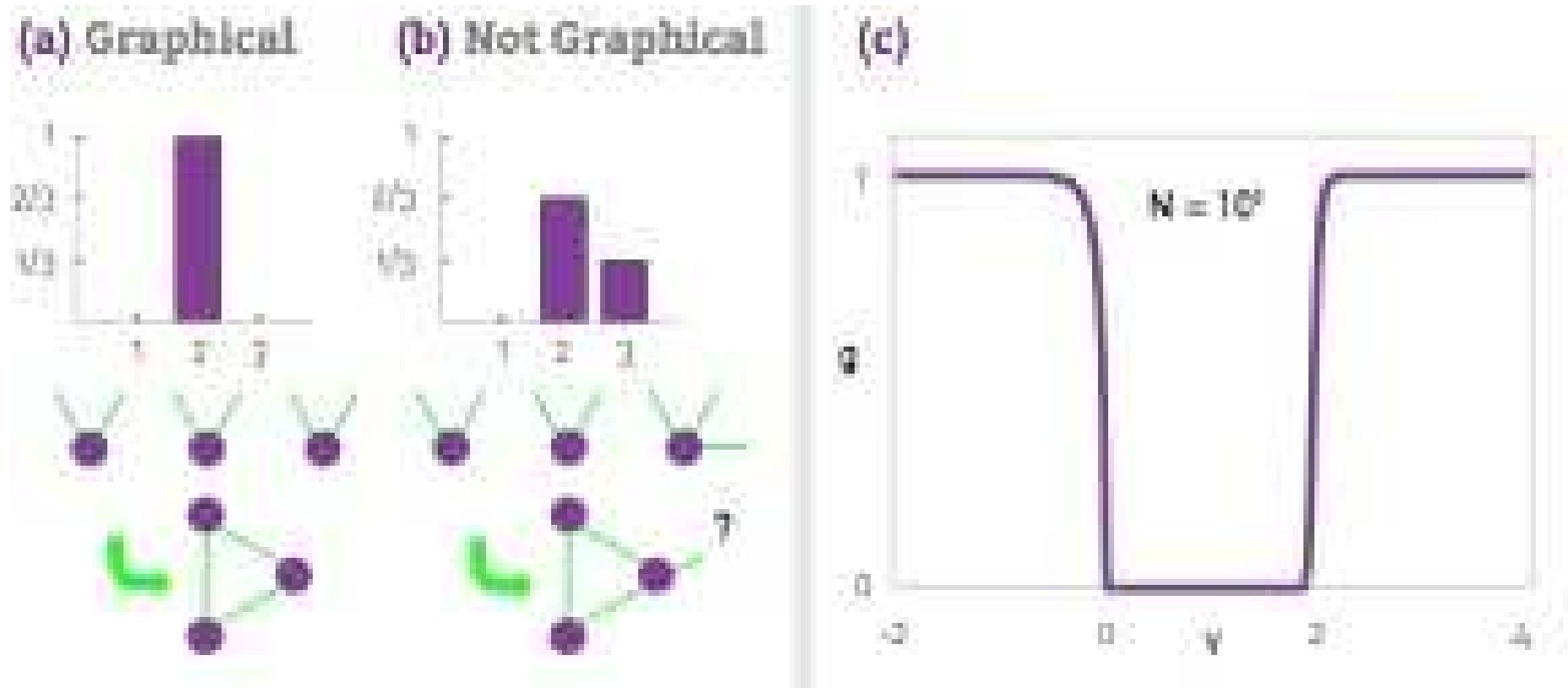
## Section 7

# The role of the degree exponent

# SUMMARY OF THE BEHAVIOR OF SCALE-FREE NETWORKS



## Graphicality: No large networks for $\gamma < 2$



In scale-free networks:

$$k_{\max} = k_{\min} N^{\frac{1}{\gamma-1}}$$

For  $\gamma < 2$ :  $1/(\gamma-2) > 1$

## Why don't we see networks with exponents in the range of $\gamma=4,5,6$ , etc?

In order to document a scale-free networks, we need 2-3 orders of magnitude scaling.  
That is,  $K_{max} \sim 10^3$

However, that constrains on the system size we require to document it.  
For example, to measure an exponent  $\gamma=5$ , we need to maximum degree a system size of the order of

$$K_{max} = K_{min} N^{\frac{1}{\gamma-1}}$$

$$N = \left( \frac{K_{max}}{K_{min}} \right)^{\gamma-1} \approx 10^8$$

Mobile Call Network

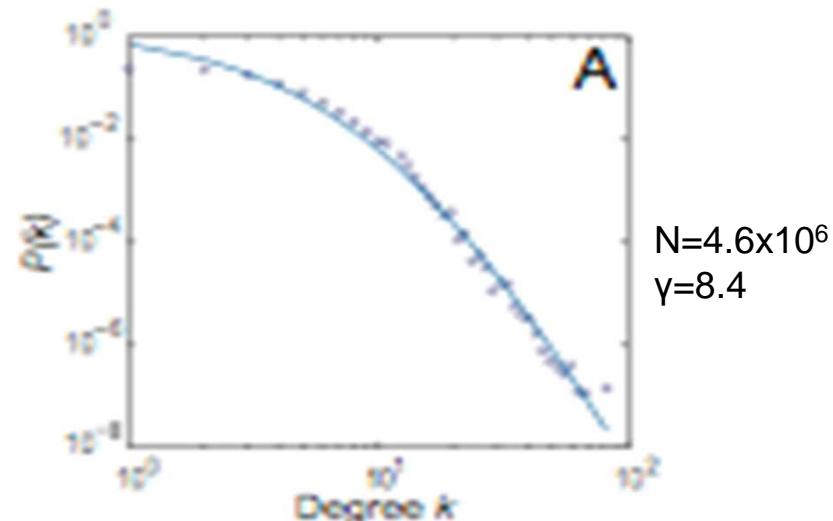


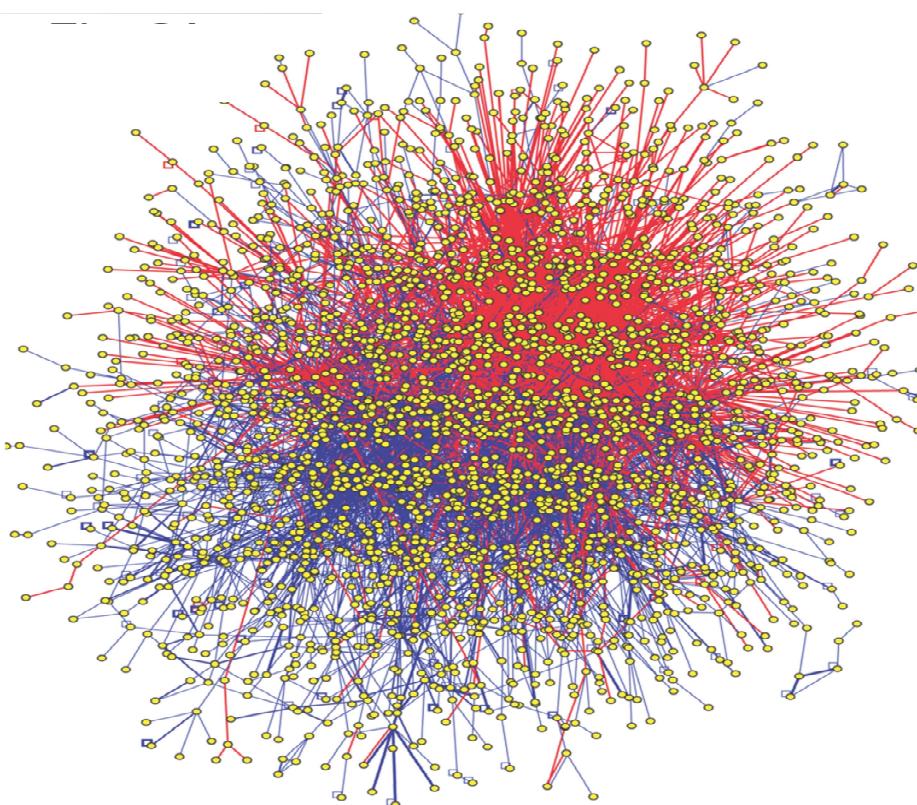
Fig. 1. Characterizing the large-scale structure and the tie strengths of the mobile call graph. (A and B) Vertex degree (A) and tie strength distribution (B). Each distribution was fitted with  $P(x) = a(x + x_0)^{-\gamma} \exp(-wx_c)$ , shown as a blue curve, where  $x$  corresponds to either  $k$  or  $w$ . The parameter values for the fits are  $k_0 = 10.9$ ,  $\gamma_k = 8.4$ ,  $k_c = \infty$  (A, degree), and  $w_0 = 280$ ,  $\gamma_w = 1.9$ ,  $w_c = 3.45 \times$

Onella et al. PNAS 2007

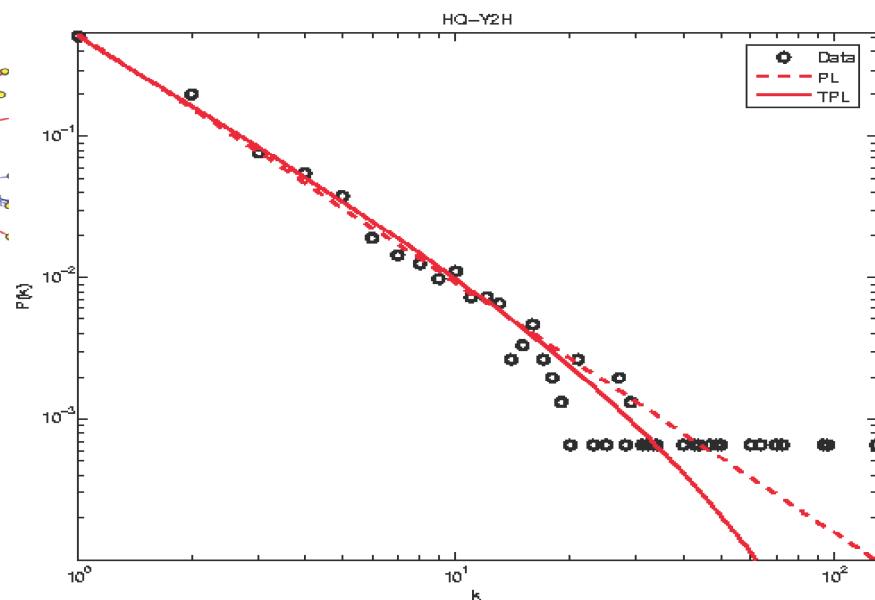
**ADVANCED TOPICS 4.B**

# PLOTTING POWER LAWS

# HUMAN INTERACTION NETWORK

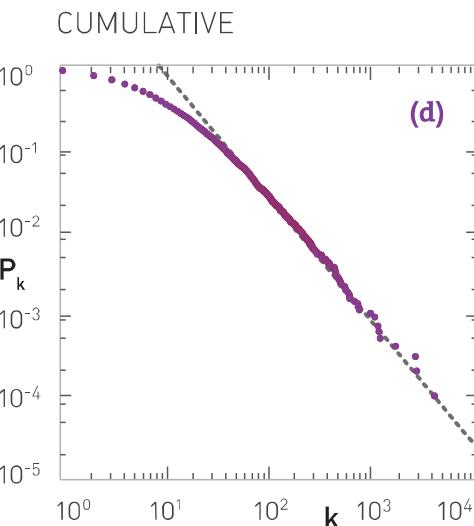
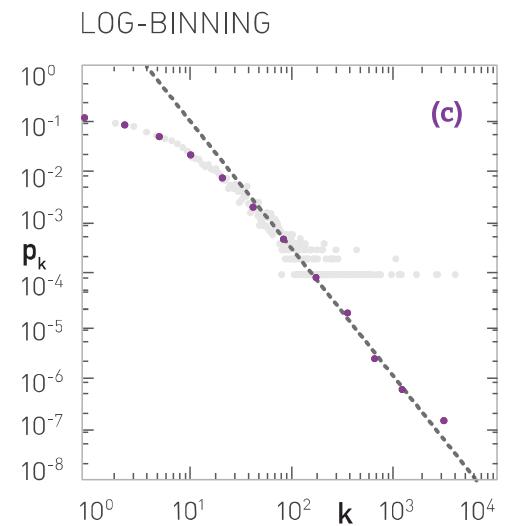
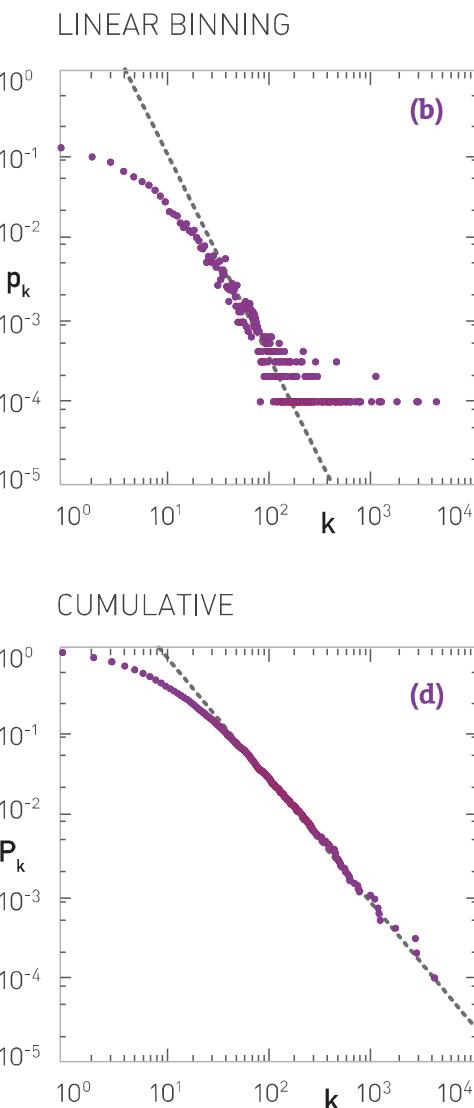
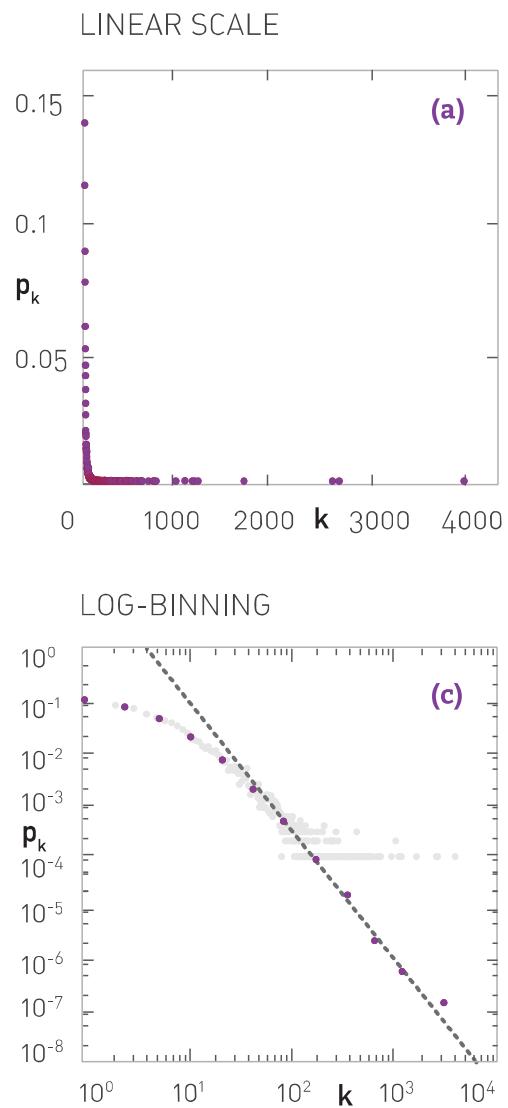


2,800 Y2H interactions  
4,100 binary LC interactions  
(HPRD, MINT, BIND, DIP, MIPS)



Rual et al. Nature 2005; Stelze et al. Cell 2005

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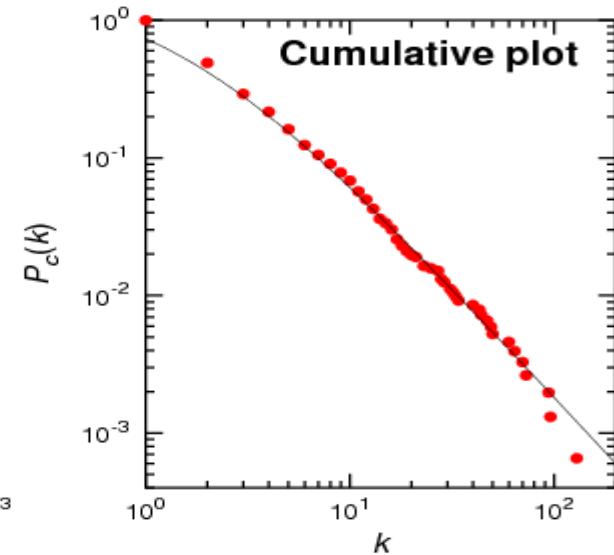
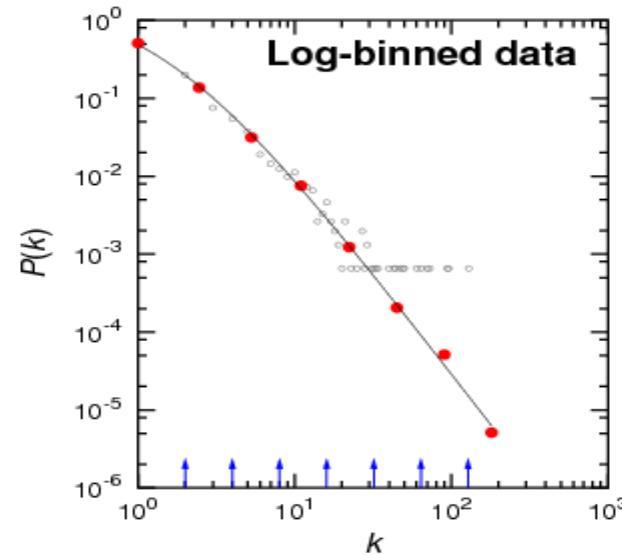
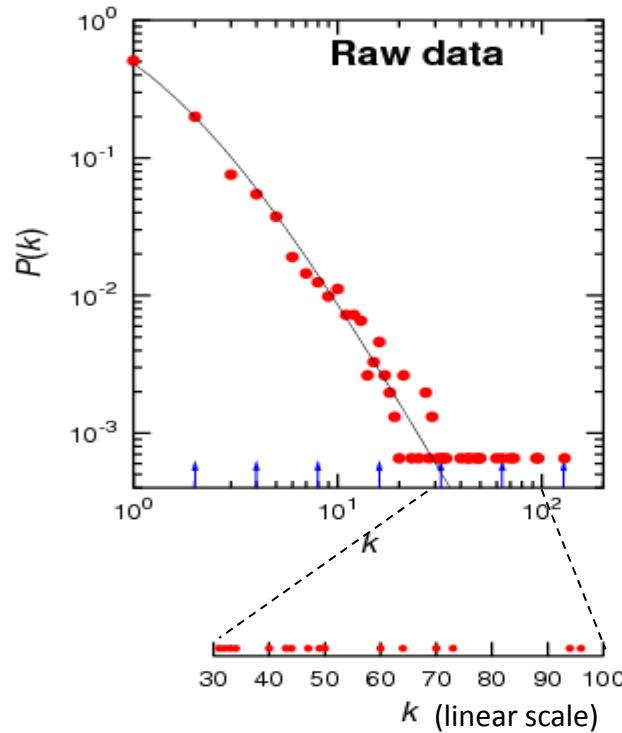
Use a Log-Log Plot

Avoid Linear Binning

Use Logarithmic Binning

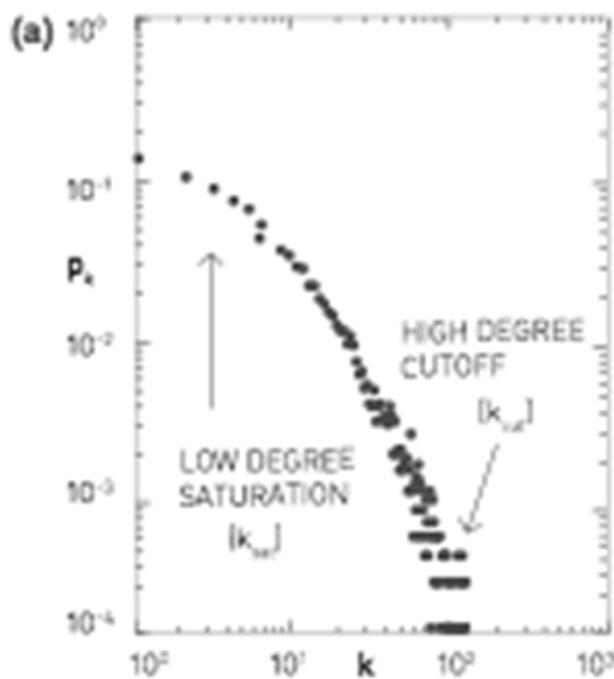
Use Cumulative Distribution

## HUMAN INTERACTION DATA BY RUAL ET AL.



$$P(k) \sim (k+k_0)^{-\gamma}$$
$$k_0 = 1.4, \gamma=2.6.$$

## COMMON MISCONCEPTIONS

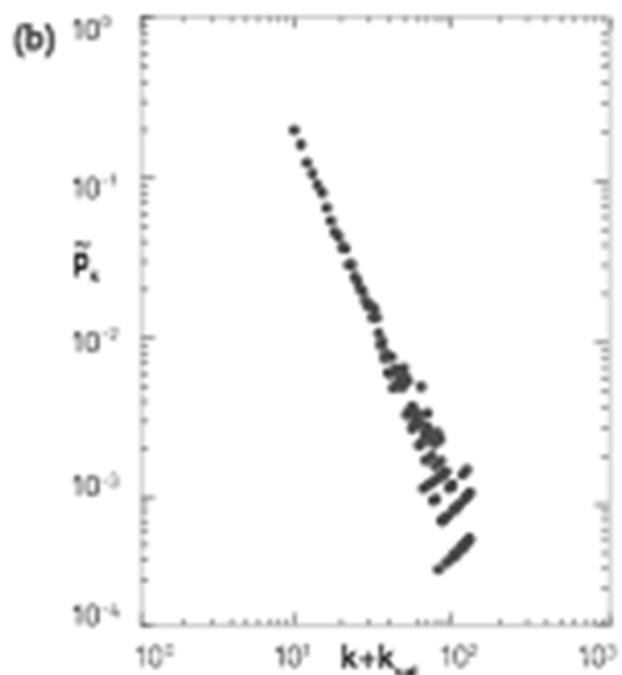


$$p_k = a(k + k_{sat})^{-\gamma} \exp\left(-\frac{k}{k_{cut}}\right),$$

$$\bar{p}_k = p_k \exp\left(\frac{k}{k_{cut}}\right)$$

$$\tilde{k} = k + k_{sat}$$

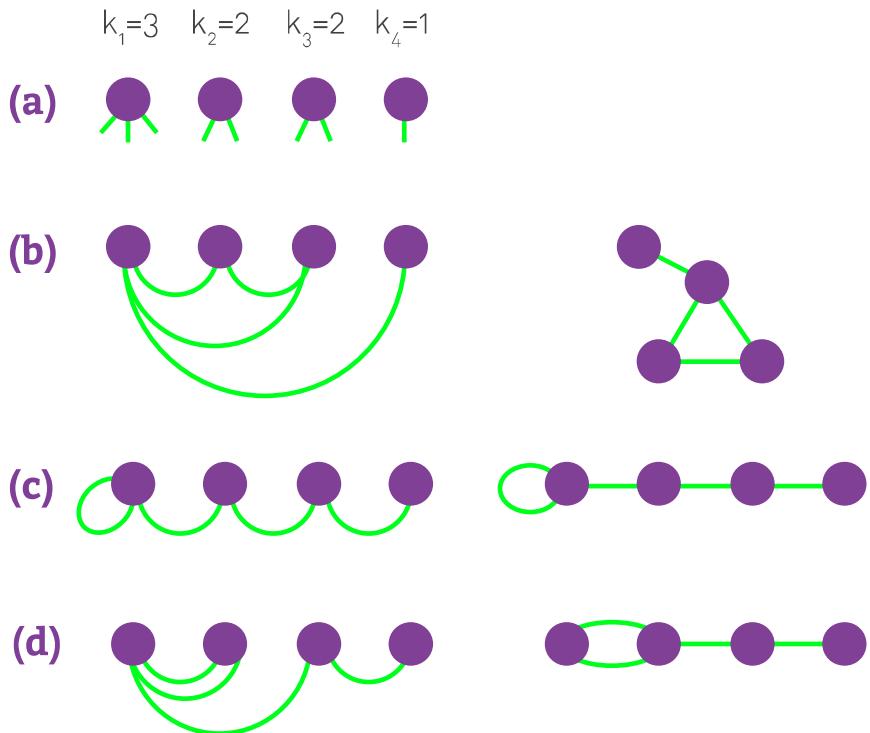
$$\tilde{p} \sim \tilde{k}^{-\gamma},$$



## Section 8

# Generating networks with a pre-defined $p_k$

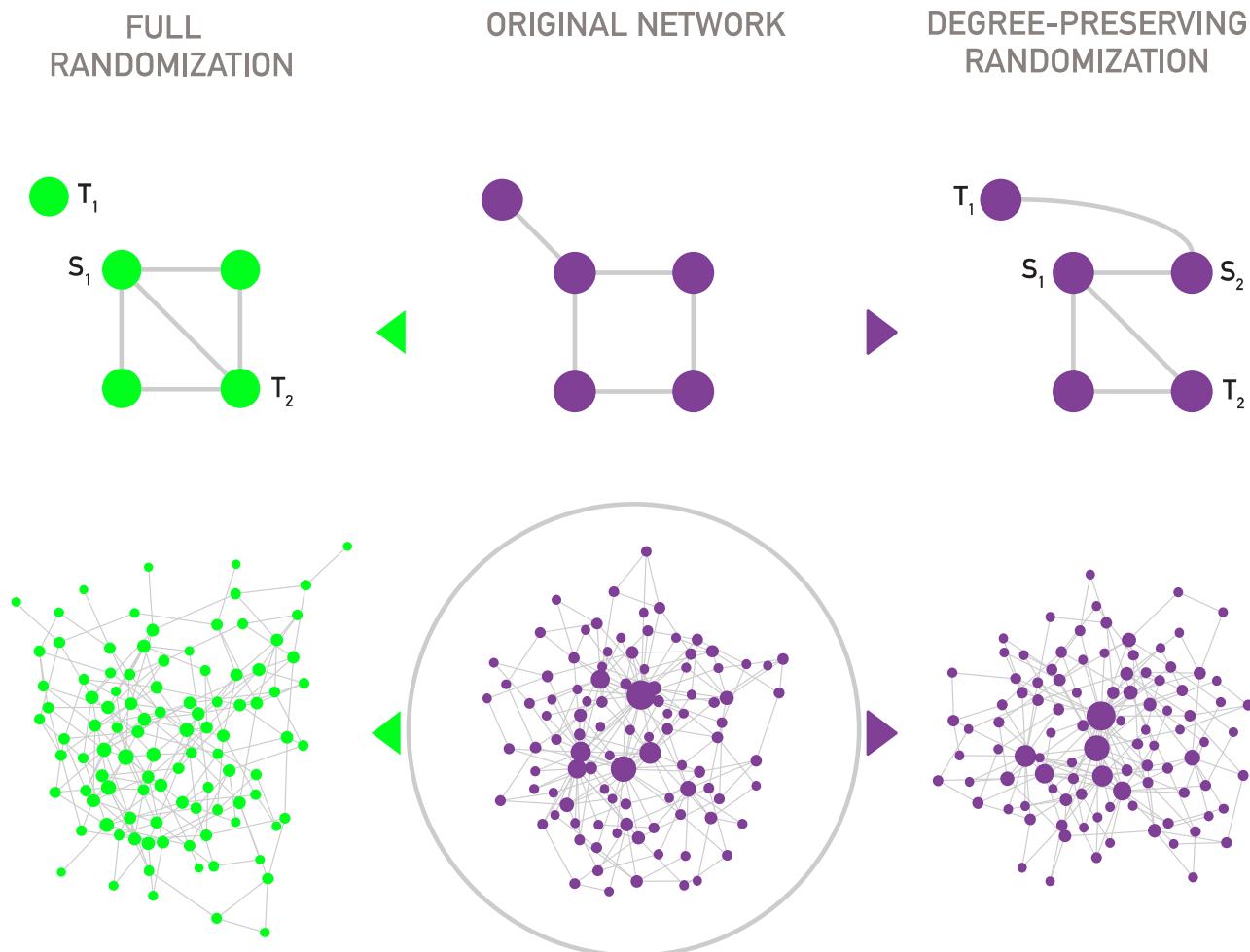
## Configuration model



(1) **Degree sequence:** Assign a degree to each node, represented as stubs or half-links. The degree sequence is either generated analytically from a preselected distribution (Box 4.5), or it is extracted from the adjacency matrix of a real network. We must start from an even number of stubs, otherwise we will be left with unpaired stubs. (2) **Network assembly:** Randomly select a stub pair and connect them. Then randomly choose another pair from the remaining stubs and connect them. This procedure is repeated until all stubs are paired up. Depending on the order in which the stubs were chosen, we obtain different networks. Some networks include cycles (2a), others self-edges (2b) or multi-edges (2c). Yet, the expected number of self- and multi-edges goes to zero in the limit.

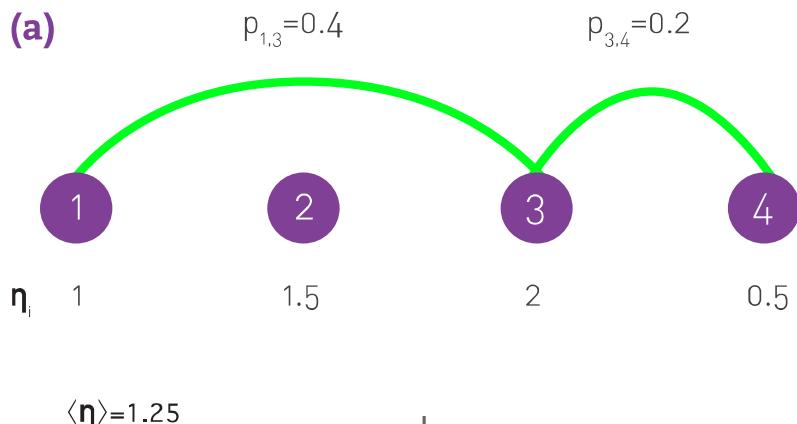
$$p_{ij} = \frac{k_i k_j}{2L - 1}$$

## Degree Preserving randomization



## Hidden parameter model

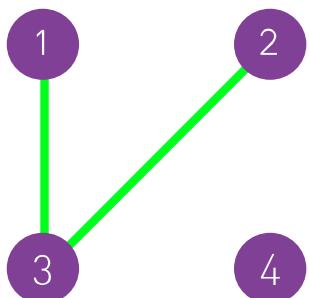
(a)



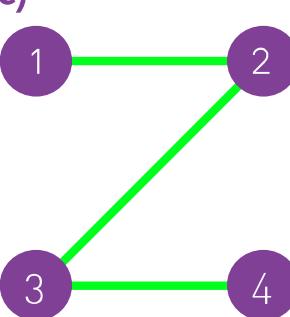
$$p(\eta_i, \eta_j) = \frac{\eta_i \eta_j}{\langle \eta \rangle N}$$

$$p_k = \int \frac{e^{-\eta} \eta^k}{k!} p(\eta) d\eta.$$

(b)



(c)

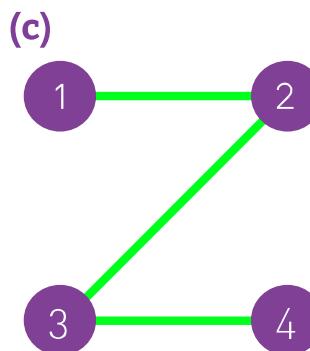
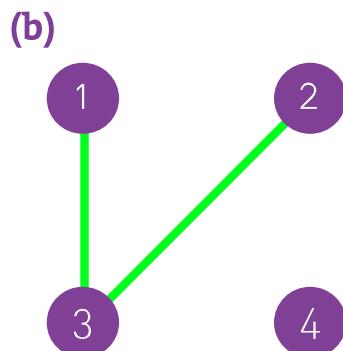
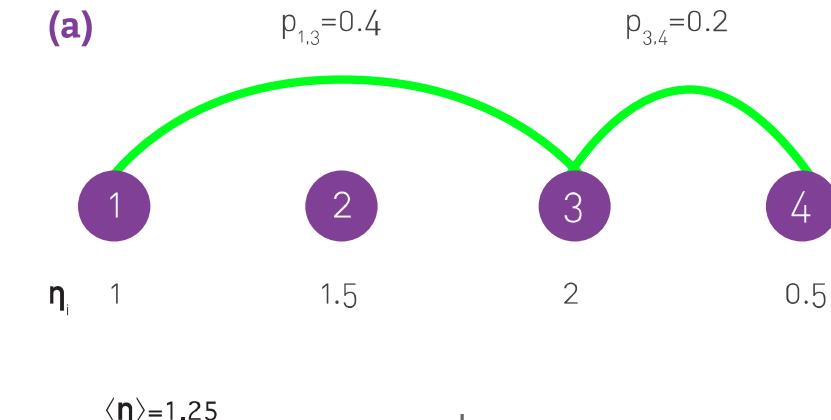


$$\{\eta_1, \eta_2, \dots, \eta_N\}$$

$$p_k = \frac{1}{N} \sum_j \frac{e^{-\eta_j} \eta_j^k}{k!}.$$

$$\eta_j = \frac{c}{i^\alpha}, i = 1, \dots, N \quad p_k \sim k^{-(1+\frac{1}{\alpha})}$$

## Hidden parameter model



$$p_k = \int \frac{e^{-\eta} \eta^k}{k!} p(\eta) d\eta.$$

Start with  $N$  isolated nodes and assign to each node a “hidden parameter”  $\eta$ , which can be randomly selected from a  $p(\eta)$  distribution. We next connect each node pair with probability

$$p(\eta_i, \eta_j) = \frac{\eta_i \eta_j}{\langle \eta \rangle N}$$

For example, the figure shows the probability to connect nodes (1,3) and (3,4). After connecting the nodes, we end up with

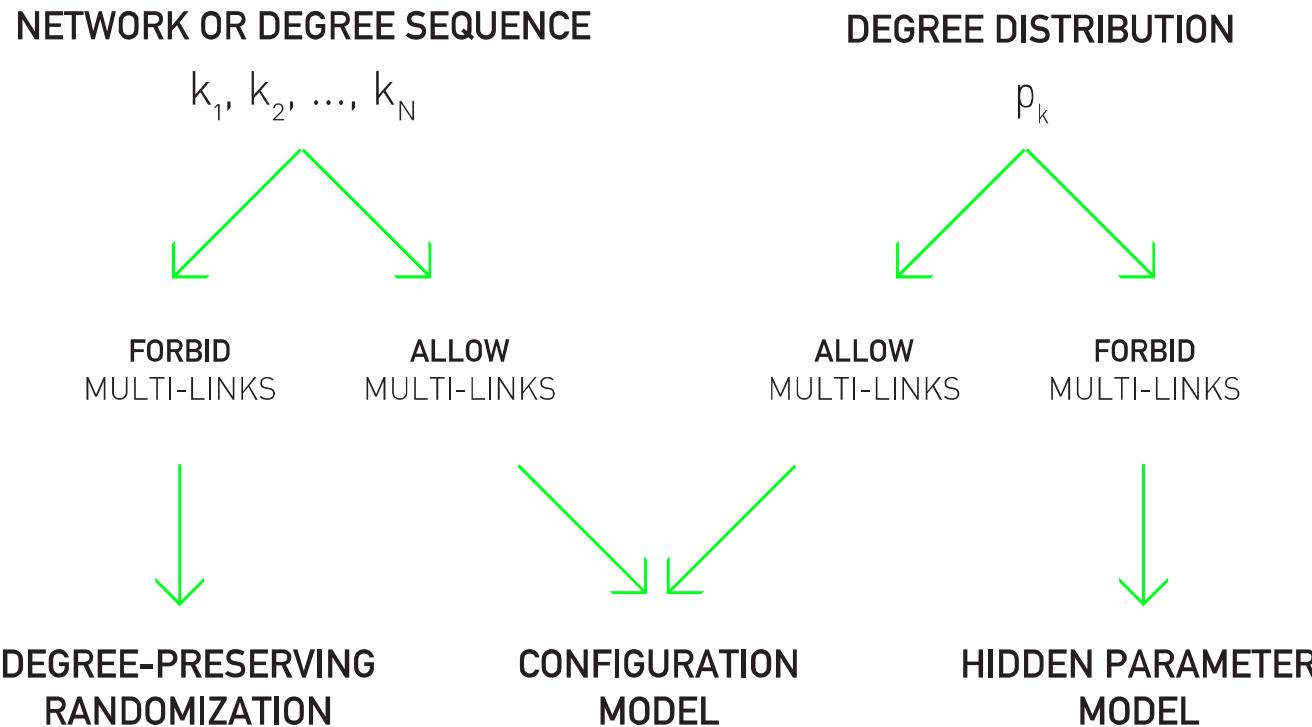
the networks shown in (b) or (c), representing two independent realizations generated by the same hidden parameter sequence (a). The expected number of links in the obtained network is

$$L = \frac{1}{2} \sum_N^{i,j} \frac{\eta_i \eta_j}{\langle \eta \rangle N} = \frac{1}{2} \langle \eta \rangle N$$

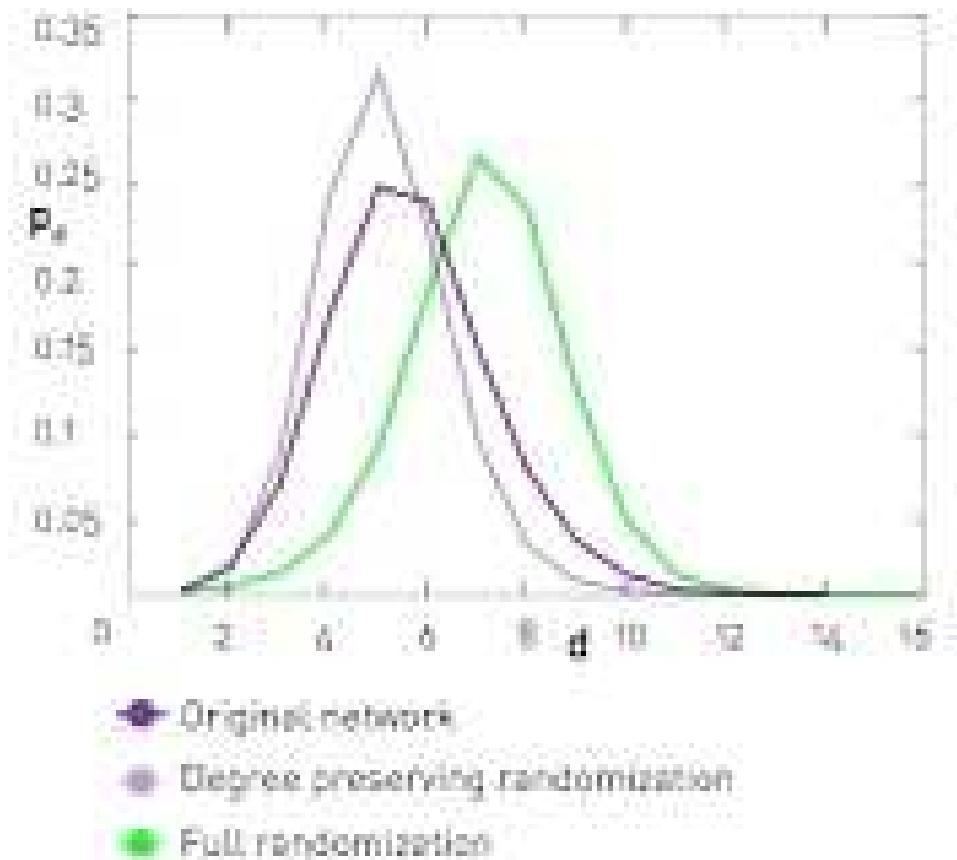
$$\eta_j = \frac{c}{i^\alpha}, i = 1, \dots, N$$

$$\{\eta_1, \eta_2, \dots, \eta_N\} \quad p_k = \frac{1}{N} \sum_j \frac{e^{-\eta_j} \eta_j^k}{k!}. \quad p_k \sim k^{-(1+\frac{1}{\alpha})}$$

## Decision tree

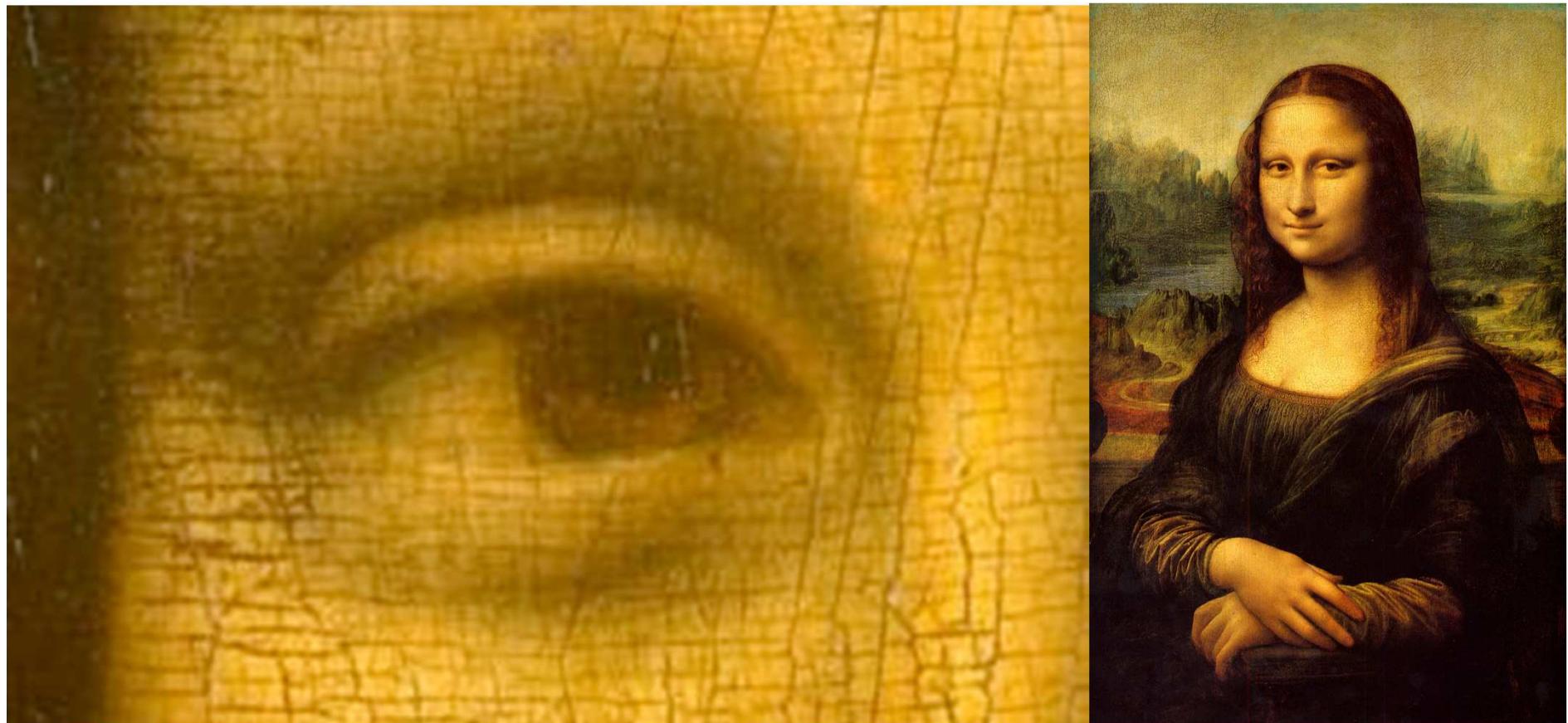


## Case Study: PPI Network



We have:  $\langle d \rangle = 5.61 \pm 1.64$  (original),  $\langle d \rangle = 7.13 \pm 1.62$  (full randomization),  $\langle d \rangle = 5.08 \pm 1.34$  (degree-preserving randomization).

## Something to keep in mind



## Section 9

summary

# Section 9

## DEGREE DISTRIBUTION

Discrete form:

$$p_k = \frac{k^{-\gamma}}{\zeta(\gamma)}$$

Continuous form:

$$p(k) = (\gamma - 1) k_{\min}^{\gamma-1} k^{-\gamma}$$

## SIZE OF THE LARGEST HUB

$$k_{\max} \sim k_{\min} N^{\frac{1}{\gamma-1}}$$

## MOMENTS OF $p_k$ for $N \rightarrow \infty$

$2 < \gamma < 3$ :  $\langle k \rangle$  finite,  $\langle k^2 \rangle$  diverges.

$\gamma > 3$ :  $\langle k \rangle$  and  $\langle k^2 \rangle$  finite.

## DISTANCES

$$\langle d \rangle \sim \begin{cases} \text{const.} & \gamma=2, \\ \frac{\ln \ln N}{\ln(\gamma-1)} & 2 < \gamma < 3, \\ \frac{\ln N}{\ln \ln N} & \gamma=3, \\ \ln N & \gamma > 3. \end{cases}$$

## Bounded Networks

We call a network *bounded* if its degree distribution decrease exponentially or faster for high  $k$ . As a consequence  $\langle k^2 \rangle$  is smaller than  $\langle k \rangle$ , implying that we lack significant degree variations. Examples of  $p_k$  in this class include the Poisson, Gaussian, or the simple exponential distribution (Table 4.2). The Erdős-Rényi and the Watts-Strogatz networks are the best known network models belonging to this class. Bounded networks lack outliers, consequently most nodes have comparable degrees. Real networks in this class include highway networks and the power grid.

## Unbounded Networks

We call a network *unbounded* if its degree distribution has a fat tail in the high- $k$  region. As a consequence  $\langle k^2 \rangle$  is much larger than  $\langle k \rangle$ , resulting in considerable degree variations. Scale-free networks with a power-law degree distribution (4.1) offer the best known example of networks belonging to this class. Outliers, or exceptionally high-degree nodes, are not only allowed but are expected in these networks. Networks in this class include the WWW, the Internet, the protein interaction networks, and most social and online networks.

## Section 1

# Barabàsi-Albert (BA) model

## Section 1

Hubs represent the most striking difference between a random and a scale-free network. Their emergence in many real systems raises several fundamental questions:

- Why does the random network model of Erdős and Rényi fail to reproduce the hubs and the power laws observed in many real networks?
- Why do so different systems as the WWW or the cell converge to a similar scale-free architecture?

## Section 2

# Growth and preferential attachment

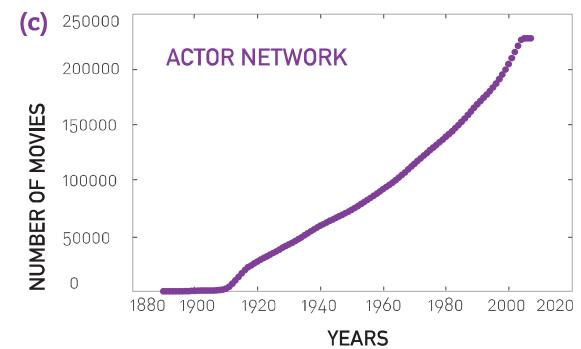
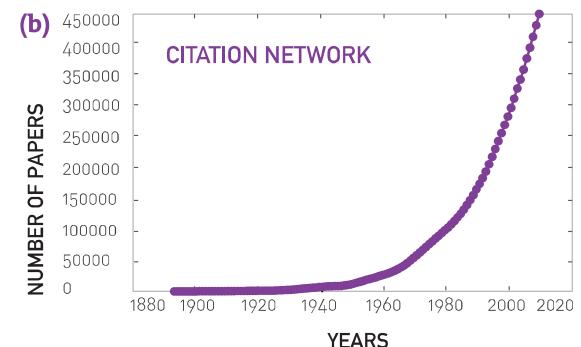
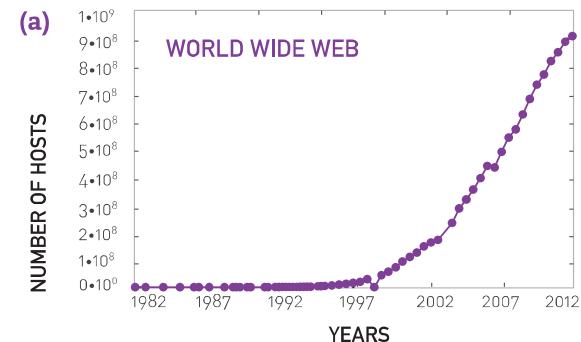
## BA MODEL: Growth

**ER model:**

the number of nodes,  $N$ , is fixed (static models)

**networks expand through the addition  
of new nodes**

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## BA MODEL: Preferential attachment

ER model: links are added randomly to the network

**New nodes prefer to connect to the more connected nodes**

## Section 2: Growth and Preferential Sttachment

The random network model differs from real networks in two important characteristics:

**Growth:** While the random network model assumes that the number of nodes is fixed (time invariant), real networks are the result of a growth process that continuously increases.

**Preferential Attachment:** While nodes in random networks randomly choose their interaction partner, in real networks new nodes prefer to link to the more connected nodes.

## Section 3

# The Barabási-Albert model

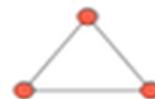
## Origin of SF networks: Growth and preferential attachment

(1) Networks continuously expand by the addition of new nodes

WWW : addition of new documents

(2) New nodes prefer to link to highly connected nodes.

WWW : linking to well known sites



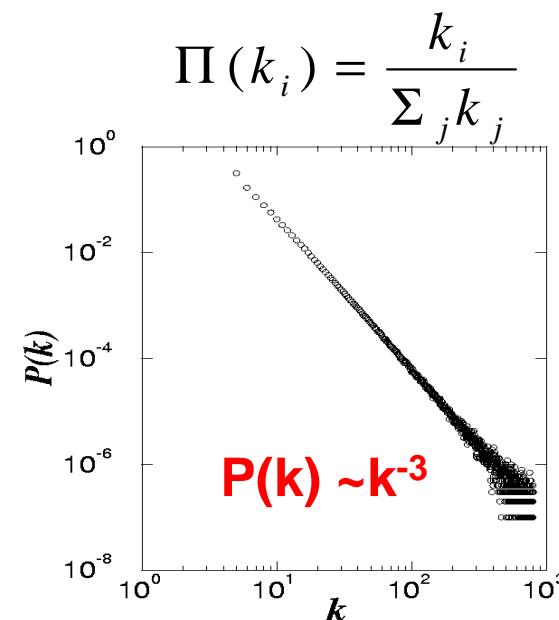
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### GROWTH:

add a new node with  $m$  links

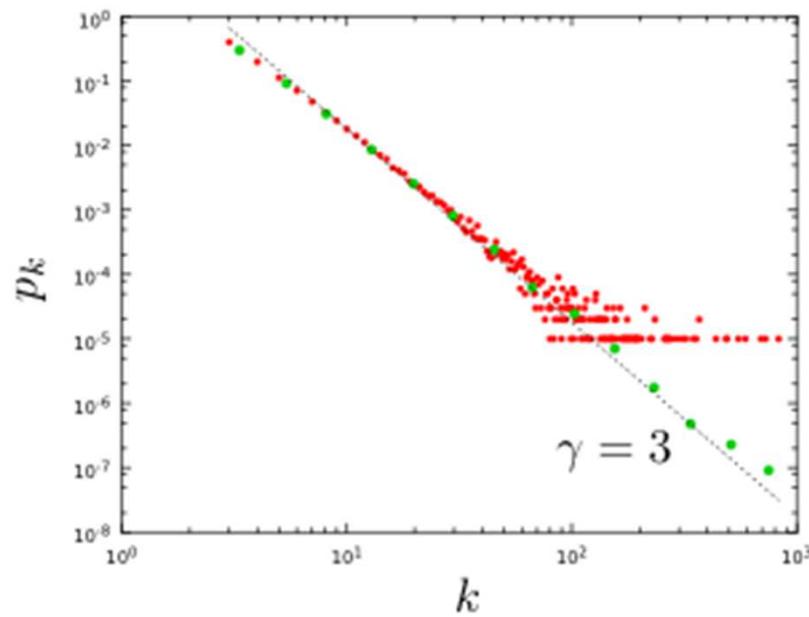
### PREFERENTIAL ATTACHMENT:

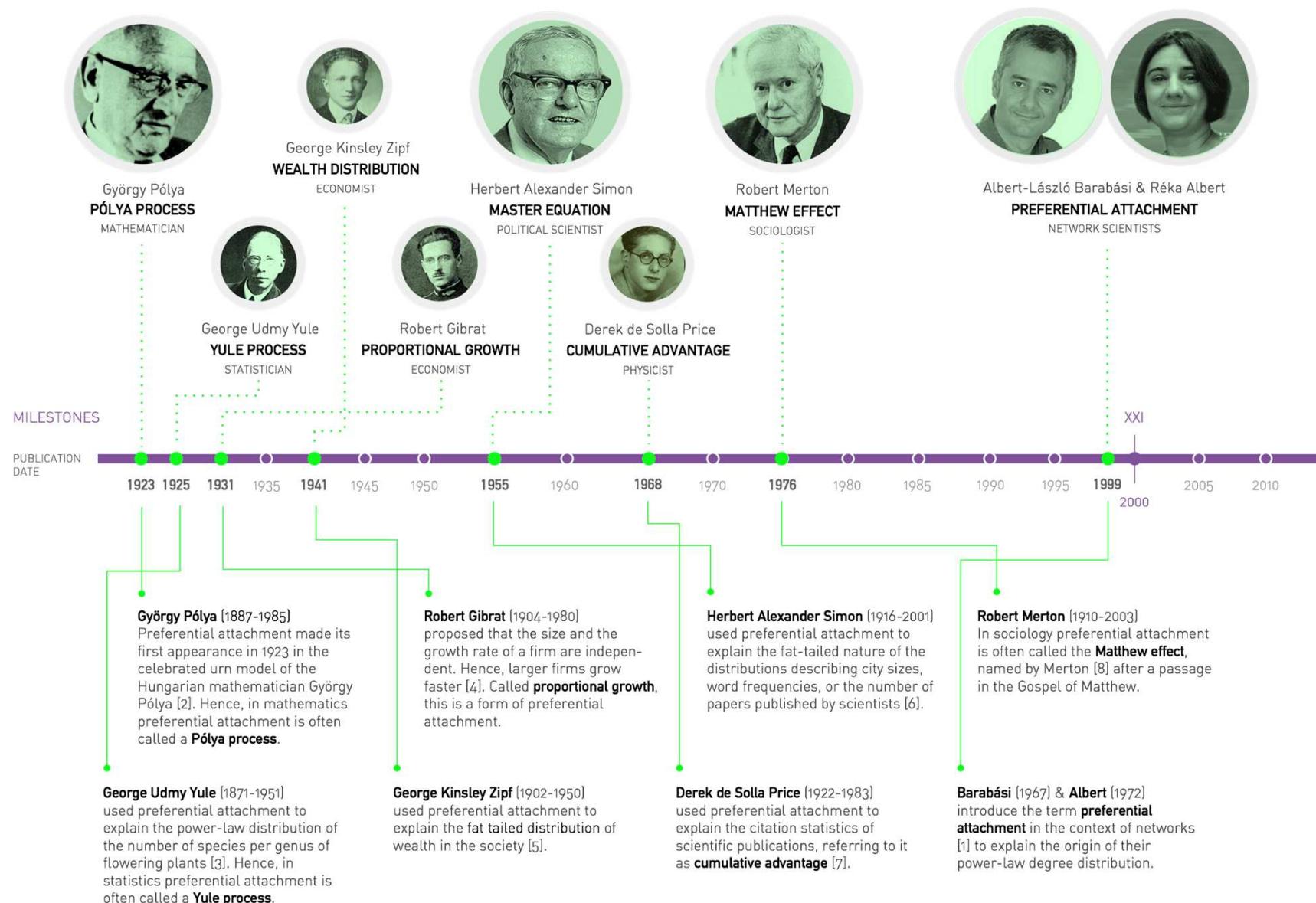
the probability that a node connects to a node with  $k$  links is proportional to  $k$ .



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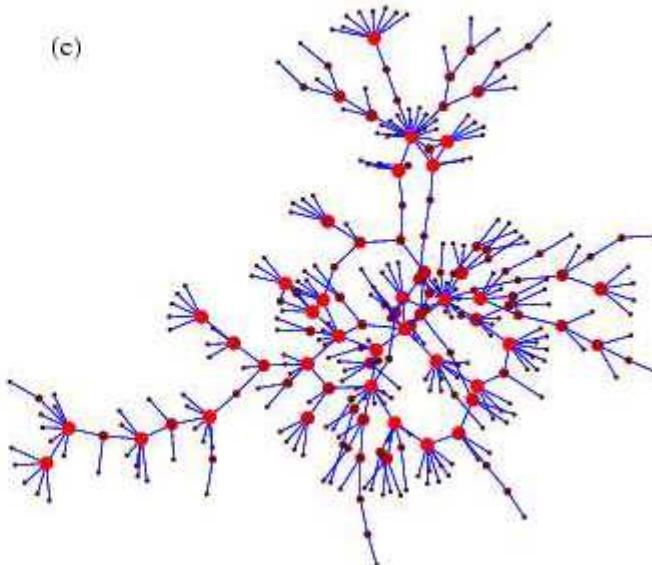
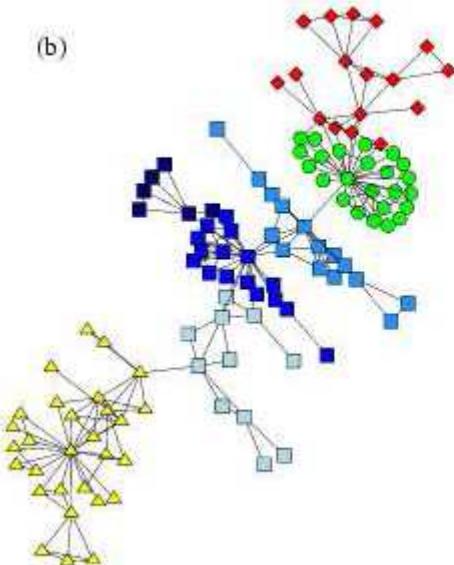
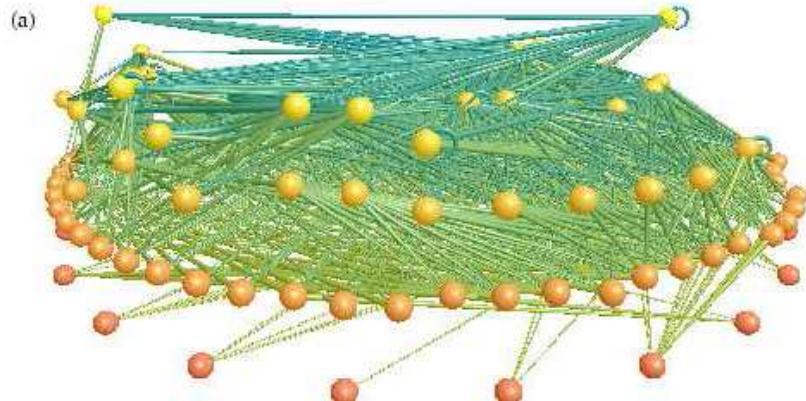




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# The structure and function of complex networks

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(a) A food web of predator-prey interactions between species in a freshwater lake [272]. Picture courtesy of Neo Martinez and Richard Williams.

(b) The network of collaborations between scientists at a private research institution [171].

(c) A network of sexual contacts between individuals in the study by Potterat et al. [342].

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# Degree Correlation

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The probability that nodes with degrees  $k$  and  $k'$  link to each other:

$$p_{k,k'} = \frac{kk'}{2L}.$$



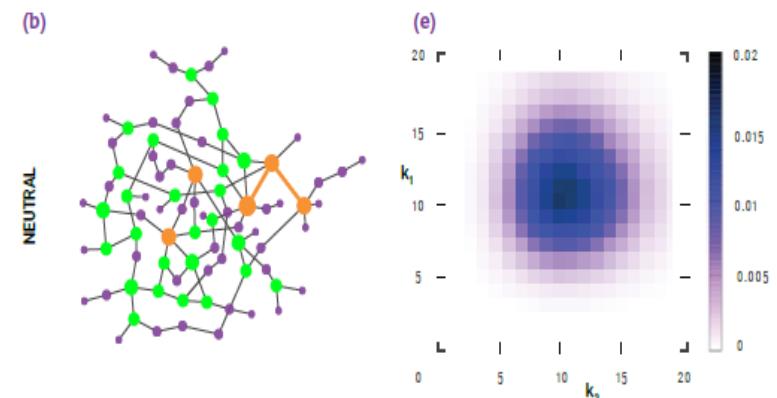
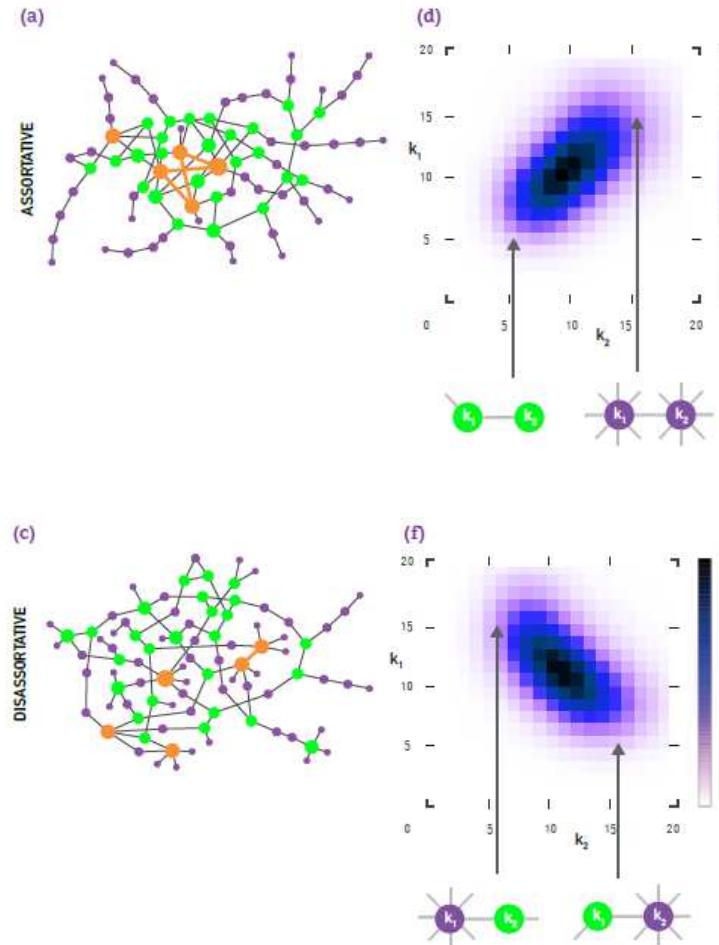
Celebrity Couples  
**Hubs Dating Hubs**



Protein interaction map of yeast  
**Hubs Avoiding hubs**

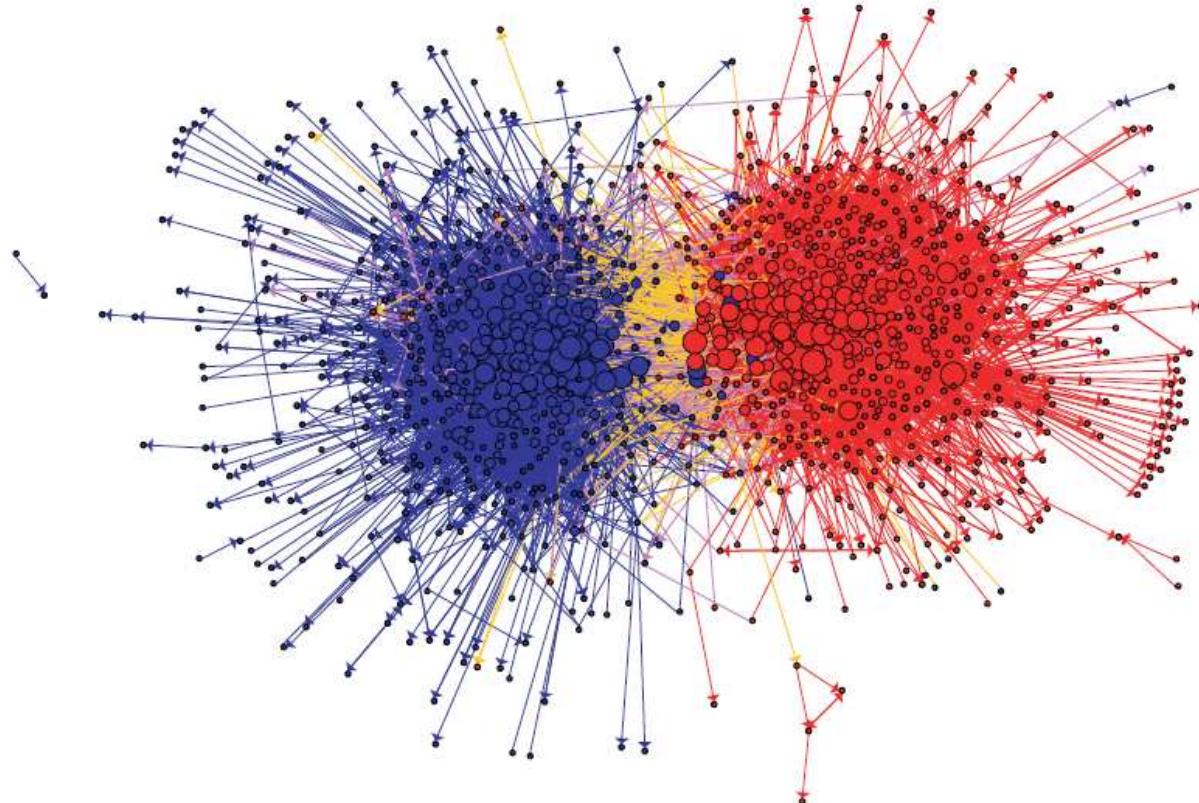
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## Associativity and Dissociativity



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### Politics is Never Neutral

The network behind the US political blogosphere illustrates the presence of associative mixing, as used in sociology, nodes of similar characteristics tend to link to each other.

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# Network Robustness

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“Robust” comes from the latin Quercus Robur, meaning oak, the symbol of strength and longevity in the ancient world.

The tree in the figure stands near the Hungarian village Diosviszlo and is documented at [www.dendromania.hu](http://www.dendromania.hu), a site that catalogs Hungary's oldest and largest trees.

Image courtesy of Gyorgy Posfai.

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NETWORK	RANDOM FAILURES (REAL NETWORK)	RANDOM FAILURES (RANDOMIZED NETWORK)	ATTACK (REAL NETWORK)
Internet	0.92	0.84	0.16
WWW	0.88	0.85	0.12
Power Grid	0.61	0.63	0.20
Mobile-Phone Call	0.78	0.68	0.20
Email	0.92	0.69	0.04
Science Collaboration	0.92	0.88	0.27
Actor Network	0.98	0.99	0.55
Citation Network	0.96	0.95	0.76
E. Coli Metabolism	0.96	0.90	0.49
Yeast Protein Interactions	0.88	0.66	0.06

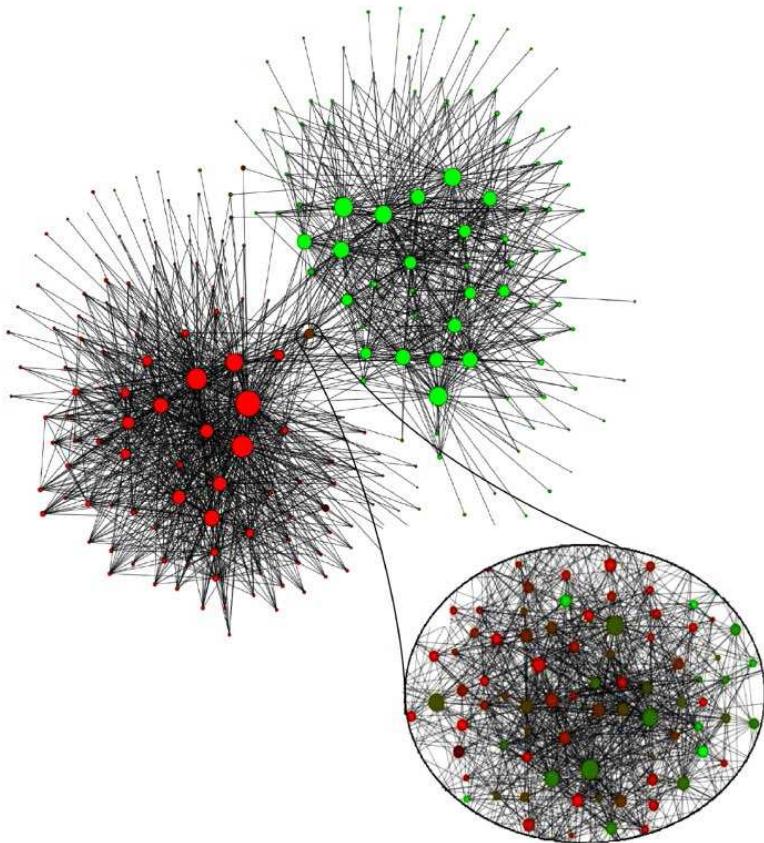
### Breakdown Thresholds Under Random Failures and Attacks

The table shows the estimated  $fc$  for random node failures (second column) and attacks (fourth column) for ten reference networks. The third column (randomized network) offers  $fc$  for a network whose  $N$  and  $L$  coincides with the original network, but whose nodes are connected randomly to each other (randomized network). For most networks  $fc$  for random failures exceeds  $fc$  for the corresponding randomized network, indicating that these networks display enhanced robustness. Three networks lack this property: the power grid, a consequence of the fact that its degree distribution is exponential and the actor and the citation networks, which have a very high  $\langle k \rangle$ , diminishing the role of the high  $\langle k^2 \rangle$ .

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# **Communities**

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### Communities in Belgium

Communities extracted from the call pattern of the consumers of the largest Belgian mobile phone company. The network has about two million mobile phone users. The nodes correspond to communities, the size of each node being proportional to the number of individuals in the corresponding community.

The color of each community on a red–green scale represents the language spoken in the particular community, red for French and green for Dutch. Only communities of more than 100 individuals are shown. The community that connects the two main clusters consists of several smaller communities with less obvious language separation, capturing the culturally mixed Brussels, the country's capital.

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### HIERARCHICAL CLUSTERING

#### AGGLOMERATIVE PROCEDURES: THE RAVASZ ALGORITHM

- Step 1: Define the Similarity Matrix
- Step 2: Decide Group Similarity
- Step 3: Apply Hierarchical Clustering
- Step 4: Dendrogram

#### DIVISIVE PROCEDURES: THE GIRVAN-NEWMAN ALGORITHM

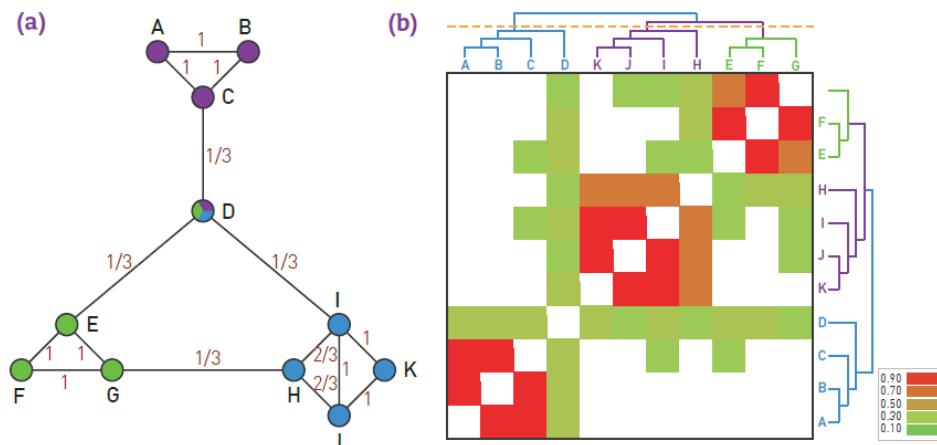
- Step 1: Define Centrality
- Step 2: Hierarchical Clustering

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### Topological Overlap Matrix

$$x_{ij}^o = \frac{J(i, j)}{\min(k_i, k_j) + 1 - \Theta(A_{ij})}$$

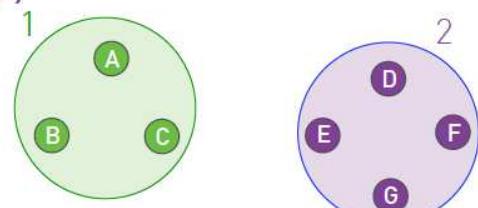
Here  $\Theta(x)$  is the Heaviside step function, which is zero for  $x \leq 0$  and one for  $x > 0$ ;  $J(i, j)$  is the number of common neighbors of node  $i$  and  $j$ , to which we add one (+1) if there is a direct link between  $i$  and  $j$ ;  $\min(k_i, k_j)$  is the smaller of the degrees  $k_i$  and  $k_j$ .



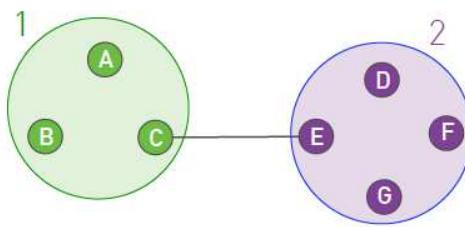
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### Cluster Similarity

(a)



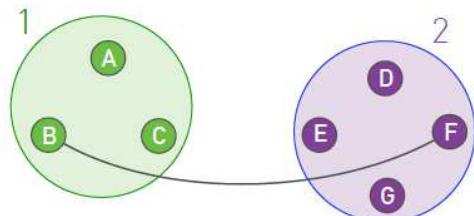
(b)



Single Linkage:  $x_{12} = 1.59$

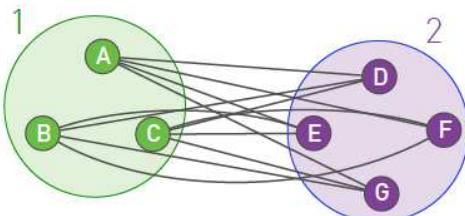
$$x_{ij} = r_{ij} = \begin{array}{c|cccc} & D & E & F & G \\ \hline A & 2.75 & 2.22 & 3.46 & 3.08 \\ B & 3.38 & 2.68 & 3.97 & 3.40 \\ C & 2.31 & 1.59 & 2.88 & 2.34 \end{array}$$

(c)



Complete Linkage:  $x_{12} = 3.97$

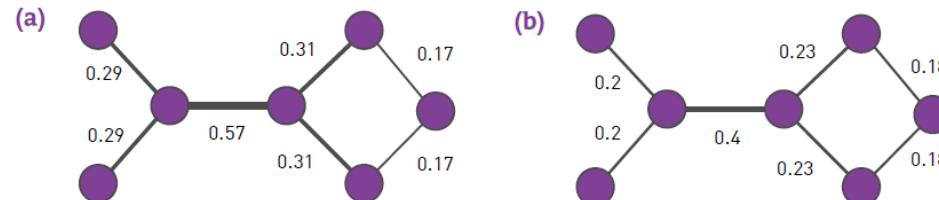
(d)



Average Linkage:  $x_{12} = 2.84$

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### Centrality Measure



#### Centrality Measures

Divisive algorithms require a centrality measure that is high for nodes that belong to different communities and is low for node pairs in the same community. Two frequently used measures can achieve this:

##### (a) Link Betweenness

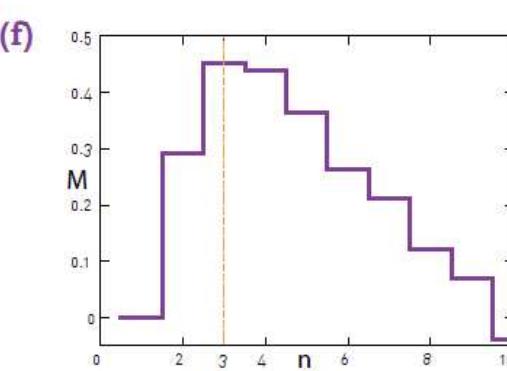
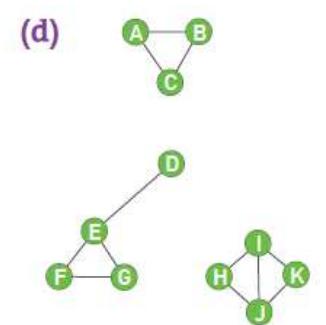
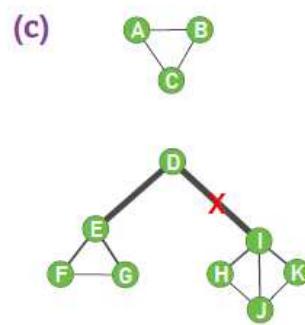
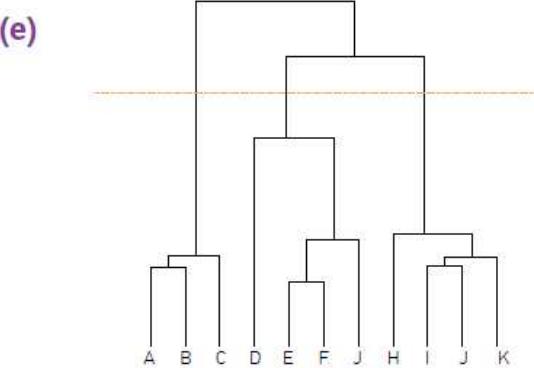
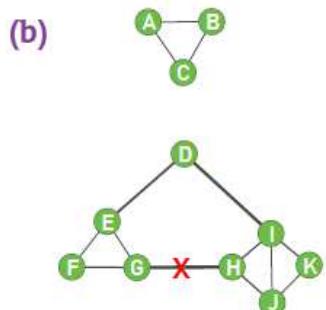
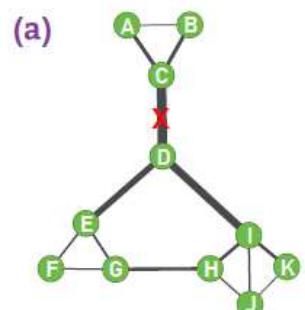
Link betweenness captures the role of each link in information transfer. Hence  $x_{ij}$  is proportional to the number of shortest paths between all node pairs that run along the link  $(i,j)$ . Consequently, inter-community links, like the central link in the figure with  $x_{ij} = 0.57$ , have large betweenness.

##### (b) Random-Walk Betweenness

A pair of nodes  $m$  and  $n$  are chosen at random. A walker starts at  $m$ , following each adjacent link with equal probability until it reaches  $n$ . *Random walk betweenness*  $x_{ij}$  is the probability that the link  $i \rightarrow j$  was crossed by the walker after averaging over all possible choices for the starting nodes  $m$  and  $n$ .

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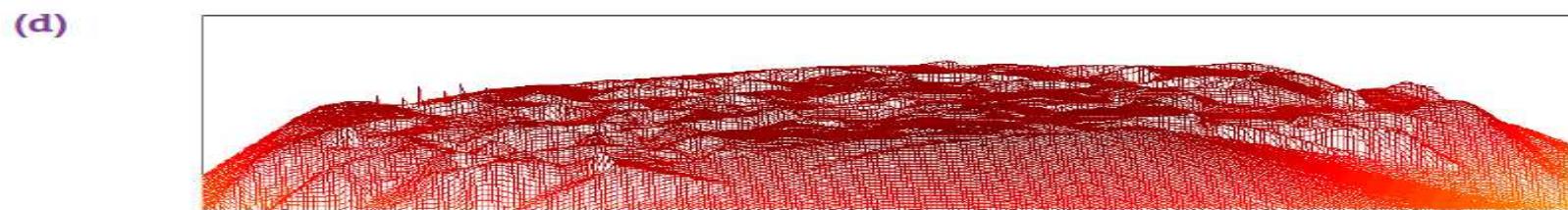
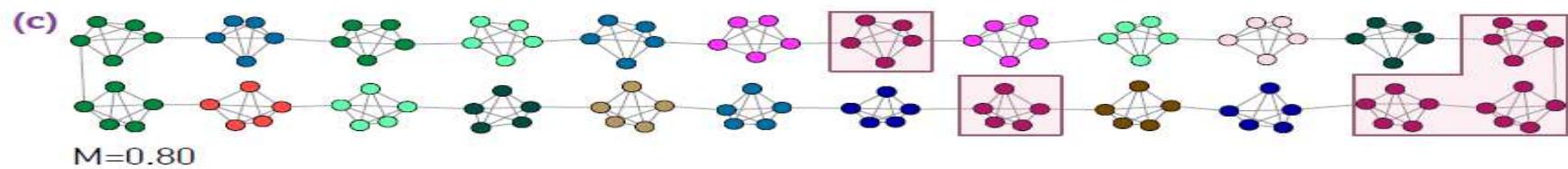
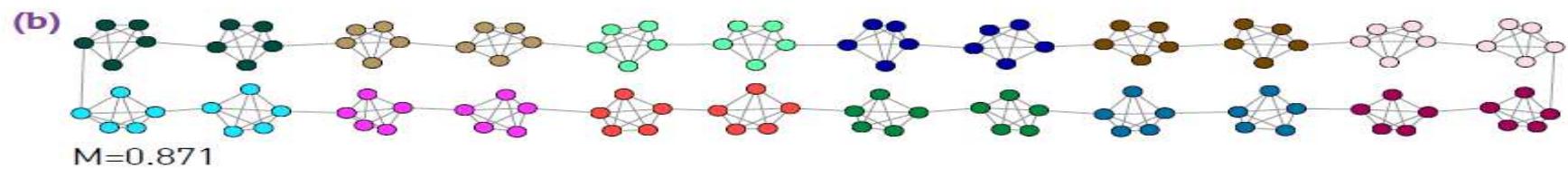
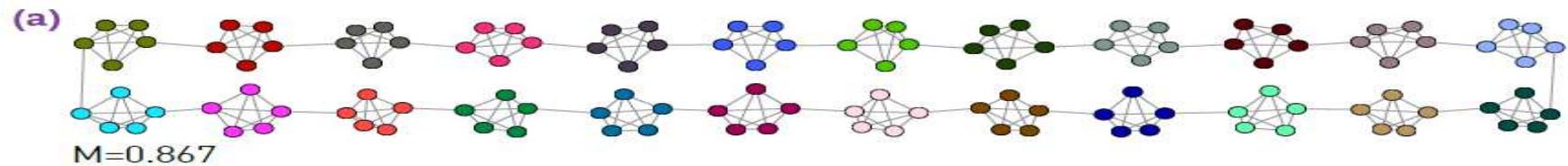
### The Girvan-Newman Algorithm



The **partition's modularity** is obtained by summing over all  $nc$  communities

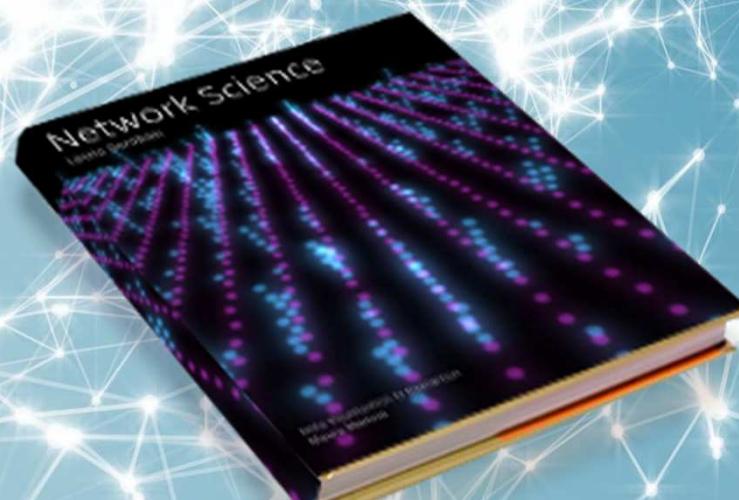
$$M = \sum_{c=1}^{n_c} \left[ \frac{L_c}{L} - \left( \frac{k_c}{2L} \right)^2 \right].$$

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