

Network Science  
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Problem Class 3 Exercises

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1. In Lecture 5, it is stated that:

$$\langle k_i \rangle = \sum_{G \in \Omega_N} P(G) k_i(G),$$

and

$$\langle k_i \rangle = \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} P(k_i = k) k.$$

Show that these two expressions are equivalent.

2. Show that if we let  $p(N) = N^{-z}$  with  $z > 3/2$  then  $G \in G_{N,p}$  w.h.p. has no two edges with a common vertex (or equivalently the degree at each node is at most one). In an exercise from the last problem sheet, the assumption was that  $z > 2$ . A different type of argument will be needed here. Hint: consider the random variable  $Y_{ijk}$  which assigns to a graph  $G \in G_{N,p}$  the value 1 if between the three nodes  $i, j, k$  there are two or more edges and 0 if there is at most one such edge.