

# Beyond Triangles: A Distributed Framework for Estimating 3-profiles of Large Graphs

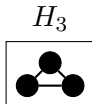
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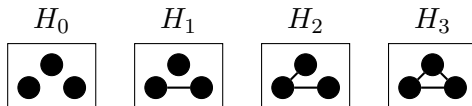
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- Perform analytics on large graphs
  - World Wide Web, social networks, bioinformatics
- More descriptive than triangle count, clustering coefficient
- Scalable, distributed algorithms

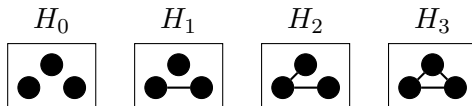
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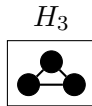
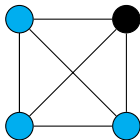


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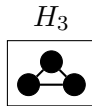
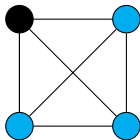
Let  $n_i$  be the number of  $H_i$ 's in a graph  $G$ . The vector  $\mathbf{n}(G) = [n_0, n_1, n_2, n_3]$  is called the **3-profile** of  $G$ .

- Always sums to  $\binom{|V|}{3}$ , the total number of 3-subgraphs

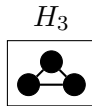
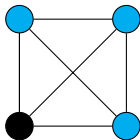
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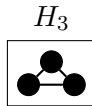
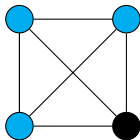


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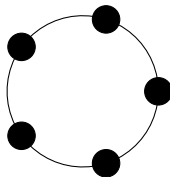




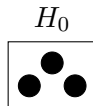
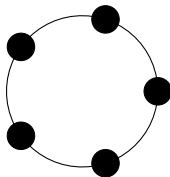
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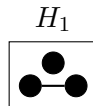
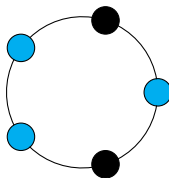
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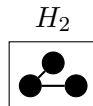
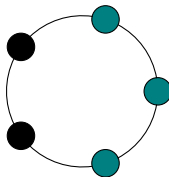
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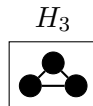
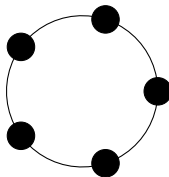
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The **ego 3-profile** is the 3-profile of ego graph  $N(v)$ .

- Graph induced by set of neighbors  $\Gamma(v)$



- Global 3-profile concisely describes local connectivity
  - Molecule classification
- Local and ego 3-profiles are feature vectors for each vertex
  - Spam detection
  - Generative models

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- **Approach:** Edge sub-sampling and distributed implementation

- ① Derive a 3-profile *sparsifier* with provable guarantees
- ② Design distributed, graph engine algorithms to calculate local and ego 3-profiles
- ③ Evaluate performance on real-world datasets

Well studied across several communities:

- Graph sub-sampling  
[Kim, Vu '00] [Tsourakakis, et al. '08 -'11] [Ahmed, et al. '14]
- Large-scale triangle counting  
[Satish, et al. '14] [Shank '07] [Suri, Vassilvitskii '11]
- Subgraph counting  
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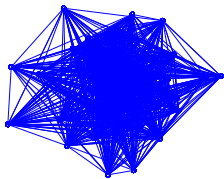
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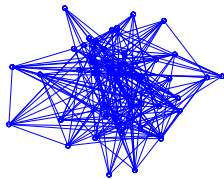
- Sub-sample each edge in the graph independently with probability  $p$
- Relate the original and sub-sampled graphs via a 1-step Markov chain

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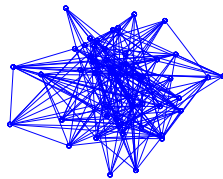
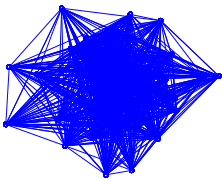




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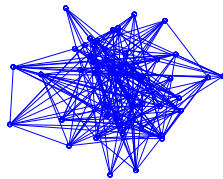
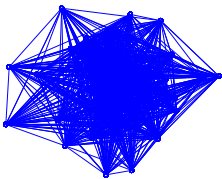
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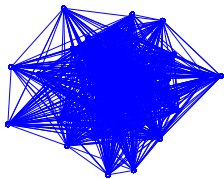


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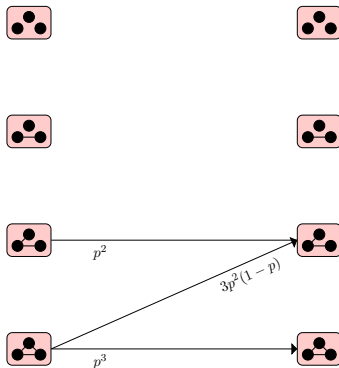
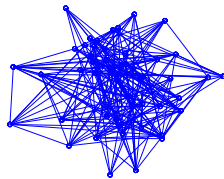


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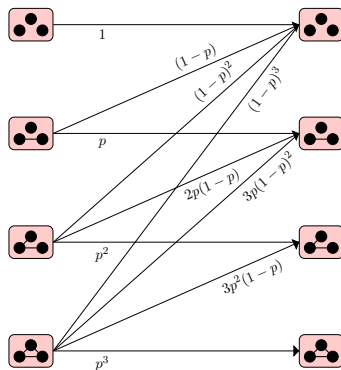
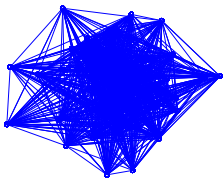


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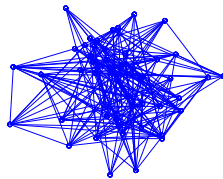


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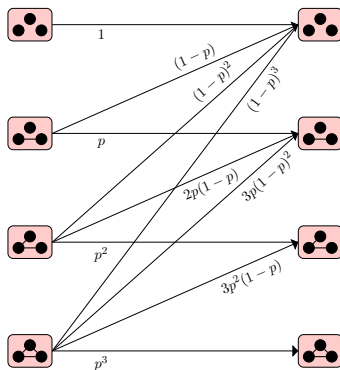
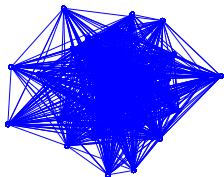


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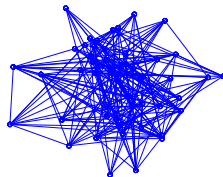


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$$\begin{bmatrix} \text{Estimator} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1-p & (1-p)^2 & (1-p)^3 \\ 0 & p & 2p(1-p) & 3p(1-p)^2 \\ 0 & 0 & p^2 & 3p^2(1-p) \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & p^3 \end{bmatrix}^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} \text{Sub-sampled} \end{bmatrix}$$

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*Proof Sketch:*

- Apply multivariate polynomial concentration inequalities [Kim, Vu '00] to each estimator

$$f(G, p) = e_1 e_2 e_4 + e_4 e_5 e_6 + \dots$$



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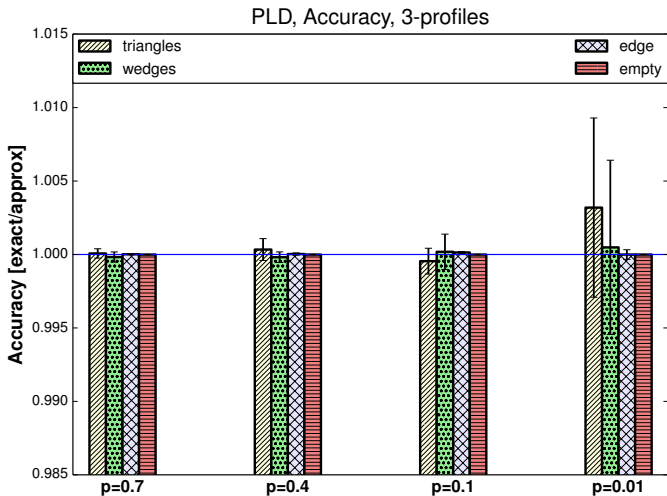
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Name	Vertices	Edges (undirected)
Twitter	41,652,230	1,202,513,046
PLD	39,497,204	582,567,291
LiveJournal	4,846,609	42,851,237
Wikipedia	3,515,067	42,375,912
DBLP	317,080	1,049,866

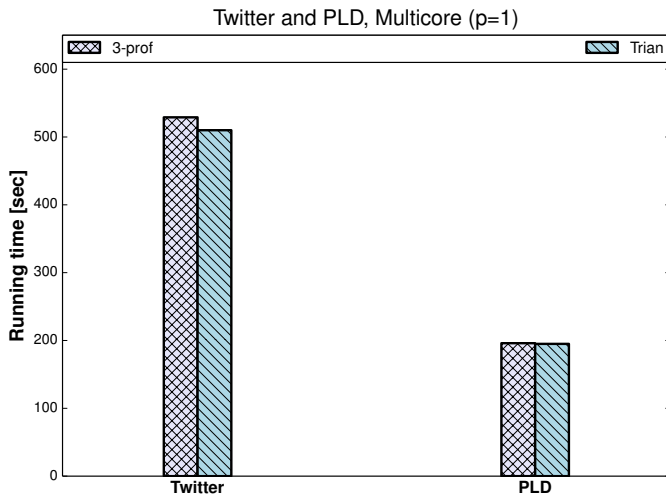


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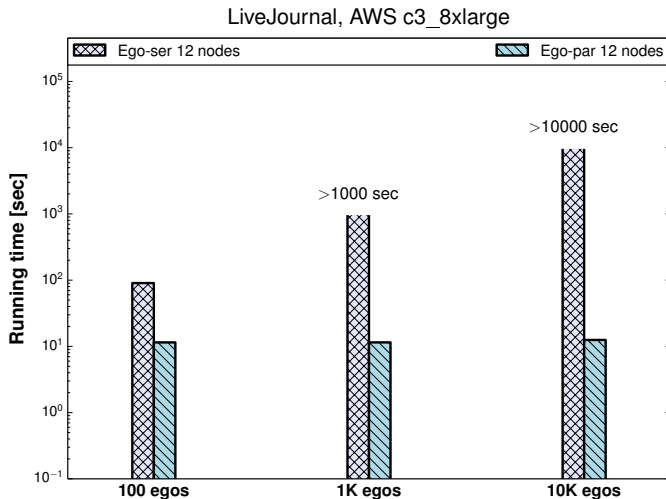
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Compare *3-PROF* to GraphLab's default triangle count

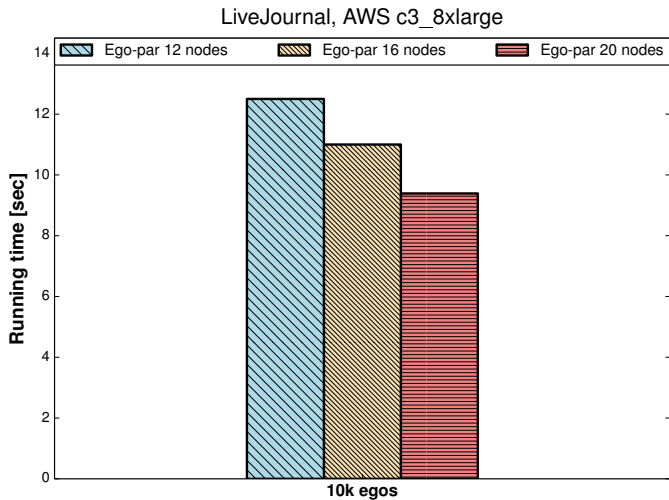


# Results: AWS, 5 runs

Compare *EGO-PAR* to naive, serial algorithm (*EGO-SER*)



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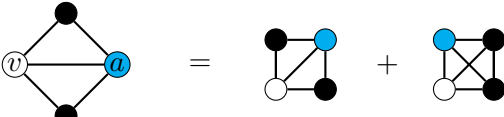


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- ① Edge sub-sampling produces fast, accurate 3-profile estimates
- ② 3-profile counting consumes roughly the same resources as triangle counting
- ③ Distributed algorithms scale well over large data and large computing clusters

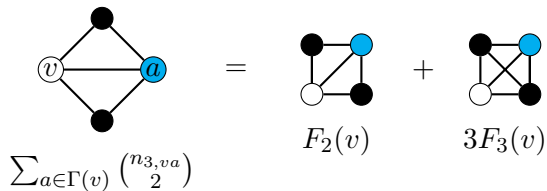
`github.com/eelenberg/3-profiles`

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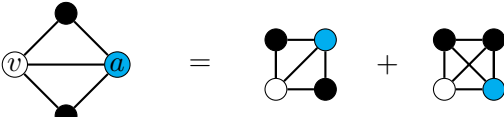


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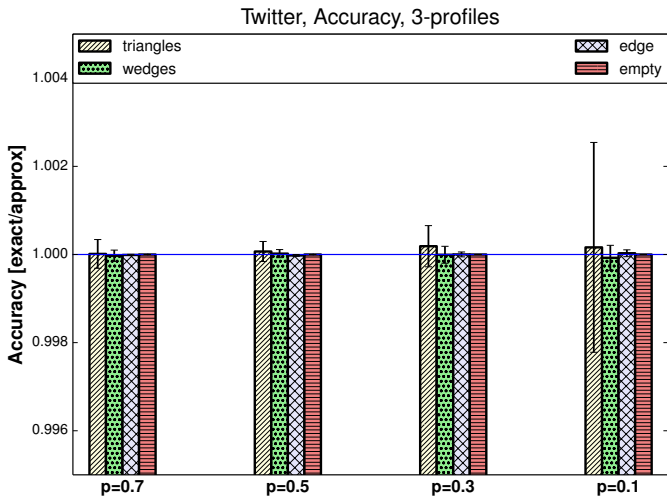


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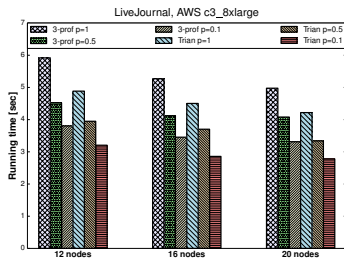
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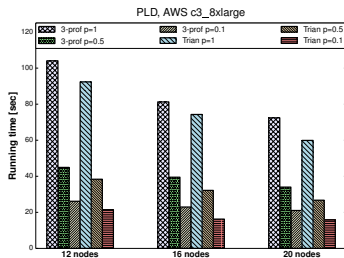
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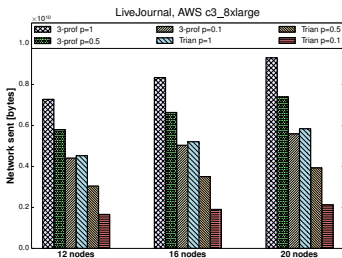


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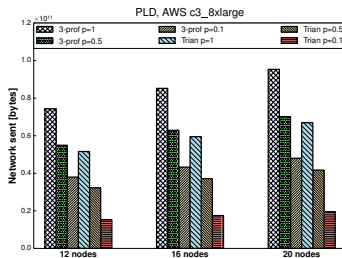


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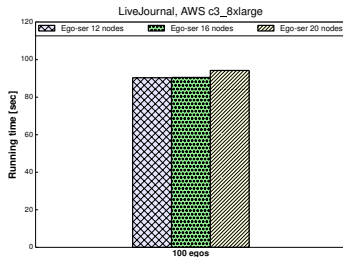


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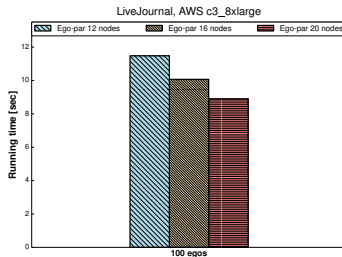


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