

Problem 7-1 Degree Correlations and Assortativity

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1 Lecture: Complex Network Analysis

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1.1 Assignment 7 - Assortativity and Robustness

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2 1. Build graph

```
[12]: import pandas as pd
import networkx as nx
import numpy as np
import seaborn as sns
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
import scipy
import pickle
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[2]: df_blogs = pd.read_csv('assortativity_networks/blogs.txt', sep="\t", header=None)
df_javax = pd.read_csv('assortativity_networks/javax.txt',
    →delim_whitespace=True, header=None)
df_network_science = pd.read_csv('assortativity_networks/network-science.txt',
    →sep="\t", header=None)
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[3]: df_blogs
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|-------|-----|-----|
| | 0 | 1 |
| 0 | 1 | 2 |
| 1 | 1 | 3 |
| 2 | 1 | 4 |
| 3 | 1 | 5 |
| 4 | 1 | 6 |
| ... | ... | ... |
| 33425 | 975 | 664 |
| 33426 | 975 | 67 |

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33427    975   1004
33428    975   1224
33429   1028    791
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[33430 rows x 2 columns]
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[4]: # since it is an undirected graph, no parallel edges are added
G_blogs = nx.Graph()
G_blogs.add_edges_from(df_blogs.itertuples(index=False))

G_javax = nx.Graph()
G_javax.add_edges_from(df_javax.itertuples(index=False))

G_network_science = nx.Graph()
G_network_science.add_edges_from(df_network_science.itertuples(index=False))

# remove self-loops
G_blogs.remove_edges_from(nx.selfloop_edges(G_blogs))
G_javax.remove_edges_from(nx.selfloop_edges(G_javax))
G_network_science.remove_edges_from(nx.selfloop_edges(G_network_science))
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[5]: print(f"Number of nodes in blogs is {G_blogs.number_of_nodes()}.")
      print(f"Number of edges in blogs is {G_blogs.number_of_edges()}.")
      print()
      print(f"Number of nodes in javax is {G_javax.number_of_nodes()}.")
      print(f"Number of edges in javax is {G_javax.number_of_edges()}.")
      print()
      print(f"Number of nodes in network-science is {G_network_science.
        ↳number_of_nodes()}.")
      print(f"Number of edges in network-science is {G_network_science.
        ↳number_of_edges()}.")
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Number of nodes in blogs is 1224.
Number of edges in blogs is 16715.
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Number of nodes in javax is 6120.
Number of edges in javax is 50290.
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Number of nodes in network-science is 1461.
Number of edges in network-science is 2742.
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3 2. Degree correlation matrix

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[6]: def calculate_degree_correlation_matrix(G):
      max_degree = max(deg for n, deg in G.degree)
      # create a dict to save the number of degree combinations
      degrees = []
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for i in range(max_degree+1):
    for j in range(max_degree+1):
        degrees.append((i,j))

deg_1 = []
deg_2 = []
for i in degrees:
    deg_1.append(i[0])
    deg_2.append(i[1])
d = {'deg_1': deg_1, 'deg_2': deg_2, 'count': 0}
degree_correlation_df = pd.DataFrame(data=d)

for u,v,weight in G.edges(data=True):
    degree_correlation_df.loc[degree_correlation_df.eval(f'deg_1 == {G.
→degree(u)} & deg_2 == {G.degree(v)}'), 'count'] += 1

deg_corr_mat = np.zeros((max_degree+1, max_degree+1))
for index, row in degree_correlation_df.iterrows():
    deg_corr_mat[row['deg_1'], row['deg_2']] = row['count']

deg_corr_mat = deg_corr_mat + deg_corr_mat.T
deg_corr_mat_prob = deg_corr_mat / np.sum(deg_corr_mat)

deg_corr_mat_absolute = deg_corr_mat

return deg_corr_mat_absolute, deg_corr_mat_prob

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[7]: deg_corr_mat_blogs_absolute, deg_corr_mat_blogs = _
→calculate_degree_correlation_matrix(G_blogs)

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[8]: deg_corr_mat_network_science_absolute, deg_corr_mat_network_science = _
→calculate_degree_correlation_matrix(G_network_science)

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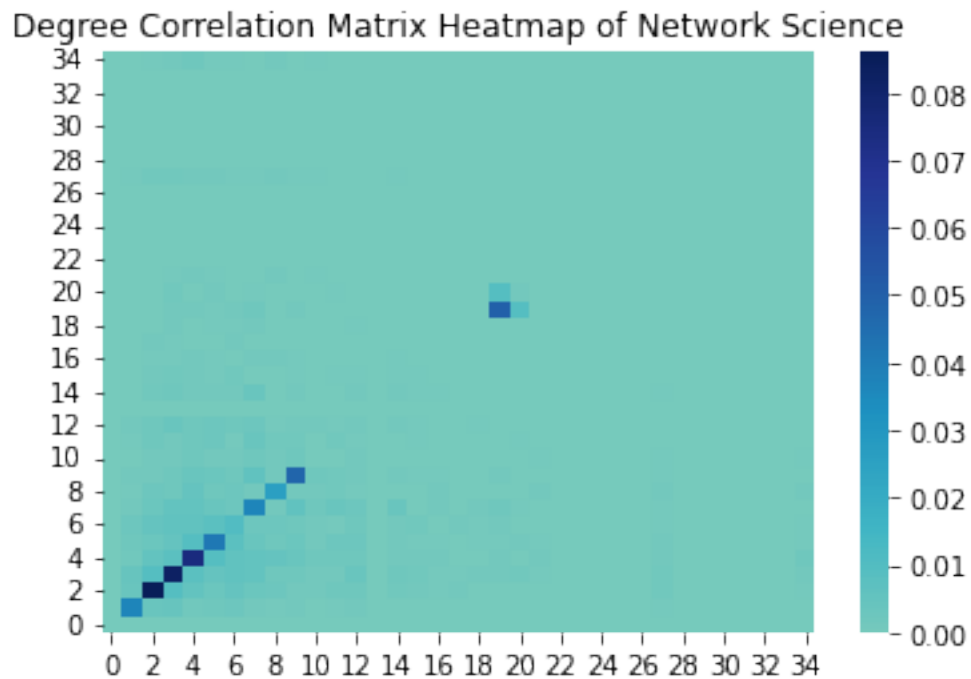
[13]: # deg_corr_mat_javax_absolute, deg_corr_mat_javax = _
→calculate_degree_correlation_matrix(G_javax)
with open(r"deg_corr_mat_javax_absolute.pkl", "rb") as input_file:
    deg_corr_mat_javax_absolute = pickle.load(input_file)

with open(r"deg_corr_mat_javax.pkl", "rb") as input_file:
    deg_corr_mat_javax = pickle.load(input_file)

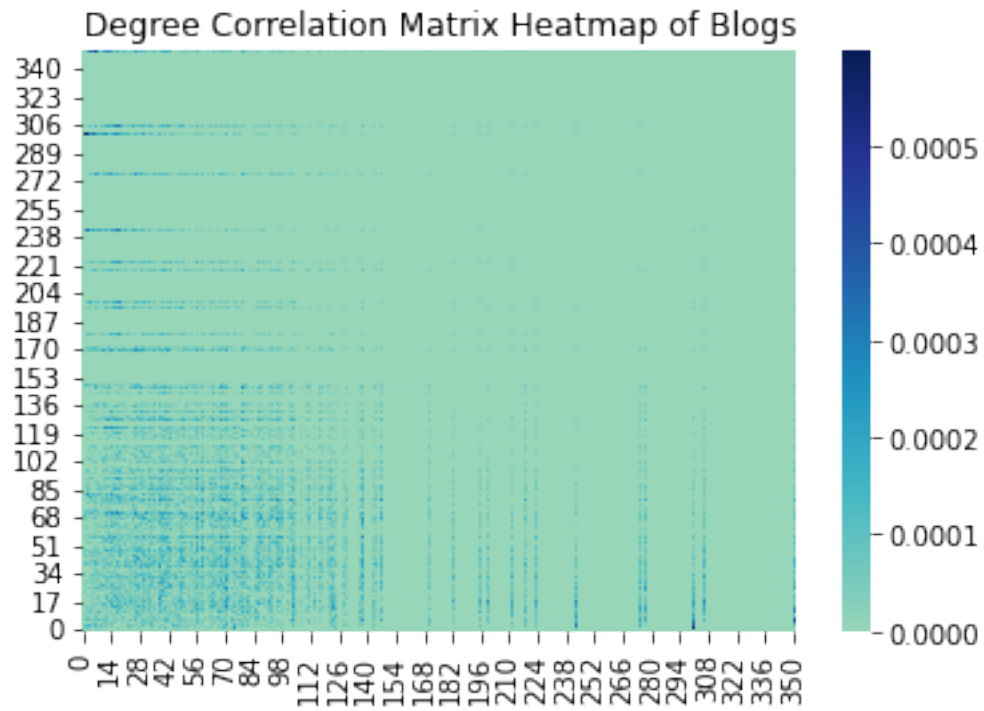
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4 3. Heatmap

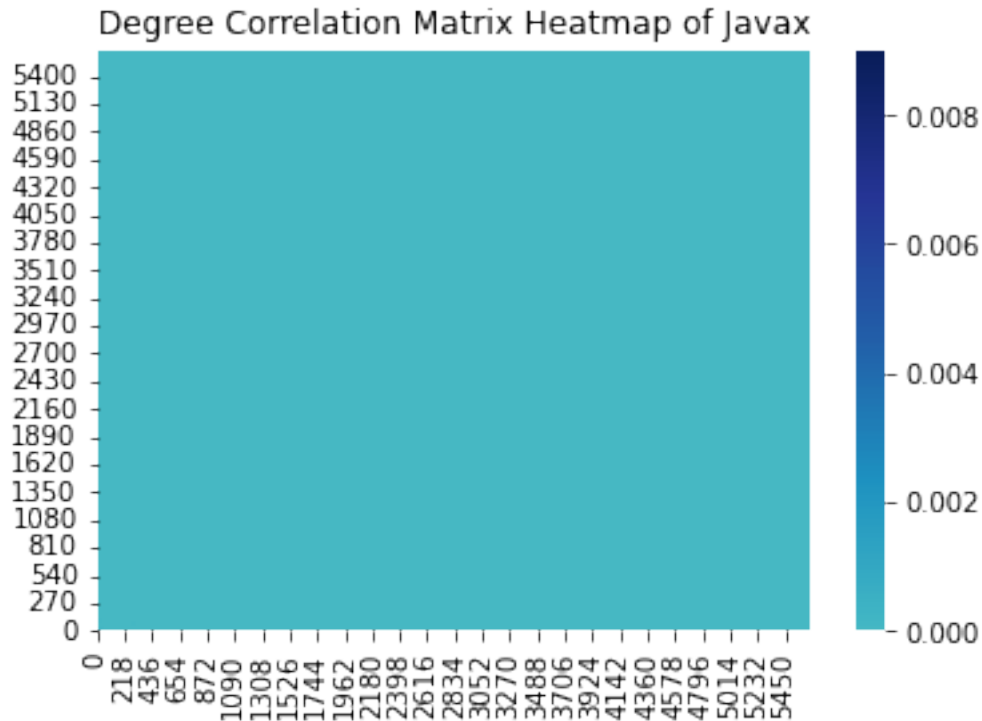
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[17]: ax = sns.heatmap(deg_corr_mat_network_science, cmap="YlGnBu", center=0.015)
ax.invert_yaxis()
plt.title("Degree Correlation Matrix Heatmap of Network Science")
plt.show()
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[18]: ax = sns.heatmap(deg_corr_mat_blogs, cmap="YlGnBu", center=0.00015)
ax.invert_yaxis()
plt.title("Degree Correlation Matrix Heatmap of Blogs")
plt.show()
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[19]: ax = sns.heatmap(deg_corr_mat_javax, cmap="YlGnBu", center=0.00015)
      ax.invert_yaxis()
      plt.title("Degree Correlation Matrix Heatmap of Javax")
      plt.show()
```



The degree correlation matrix makes most sense for analysis when used on networks with smaller maximum degree (or lower number of different degrees) like Network Science. The bins of Javax are so small that no real information can be obtained. For Network Science the heat map indicates that it is an assortative network. For Blogs it is hard to determine assortativity of the network, since the degree correlation does not follow the known scheme from the lecture. Lower degree nodes seem to be connected mostly to lower degree nodes, but high degree nodes seem mostly also connected to low degree nodes.

5 4. Nearest neighbor degree

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[12]: # calculates nearest neighbor degree for single nodes
def calculate_k_nn_single_node(G, node):
    neighbors = list(G.neighbors(node))
    return np.sum([G.degree(neighbor) for neighbor in neighbors]) / G.
    ↪degree(node)
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[13]: # get k_i
degrees_network_science = [G_network_science.degree(node) for node in
    ↪G_network_science.nodes]
k_i_network_science = []
for node in list(G_network_science.nodes):
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    k_i_network_science.append(calculate_k_nn_single_node(G_network_science,
→node))

degrees_blogs = [G_blogs.degree(node) for node in G_blogs.nodes]
k_i_blogs = []
for node in list(G_blogs.nodes):
    k_i_blogs.append(calculate_k_nn_single_node(G_blogs, node))

k_i_javax = []
degrees_javax = [G_javax.degree(node) for node in G_javax.nodes]
for node in list(G_javax.nodes):
    k_i_javax.append(calculate_k_nn_single_node(G_javax, node))

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[14]: # calculates nearest neighbor degree for all nodes of degree k
def calculate_k_nn(k, deg_corr_mat_absolute):
    neighbors = deg_corr_mat_absolute[k]
    num_neighbors = np.sum(neighbors)

    return np.sum([k_prime * neighbors[k_prime] / num_neighbors for k_prime in
→range(len(neighbors))])

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[15]: # get k_nn
k_nn_network_science = []
for k in range(len(deg_corr_mat_network_science_absolute[0])):
    k_nn_network_science.append(calculate_k_nn(k,
→deg_corr_mat_network_science_absolute))

k_nn_blogs = []
for k in range(len(deg_corr_mat_blogs_absolute[0])):
    k_nn_blogs.append(calculate_k_nn(k, deg_corr_mat_blogs_absolute))

k_nn_javax = []
for k in range(len(deg_corr_mat_javax_absolute[0])):
    k_nn_javax.append(calculate_k_nn(k, deg_corr_mat_javax_absolute))

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/opt/anaconda3/envs/complexnetworkanalysis/lib/python3.7/site-
packages/ipykernel_launcher.py:6: RuntimeWarning: invalid value encountered in
double_scalars

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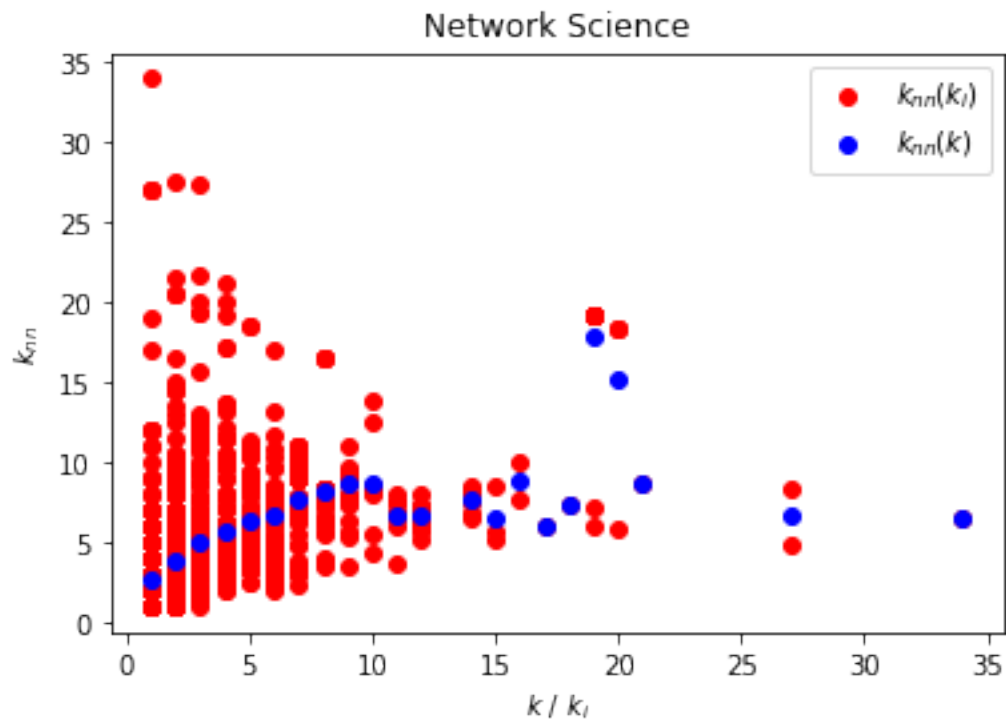
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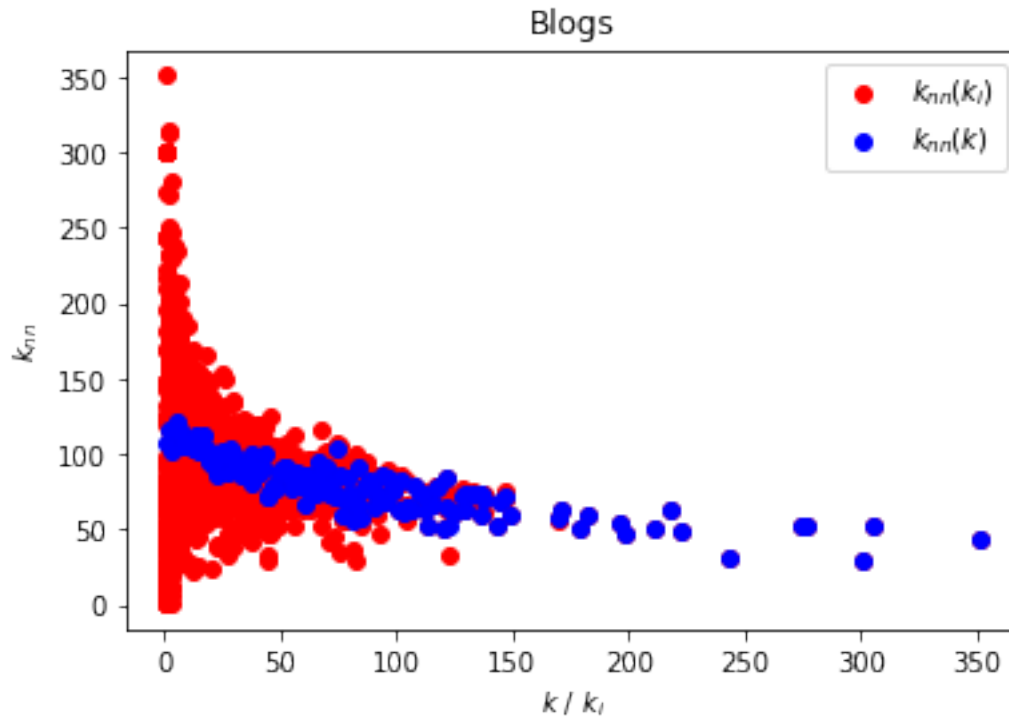
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6 Scatter plot

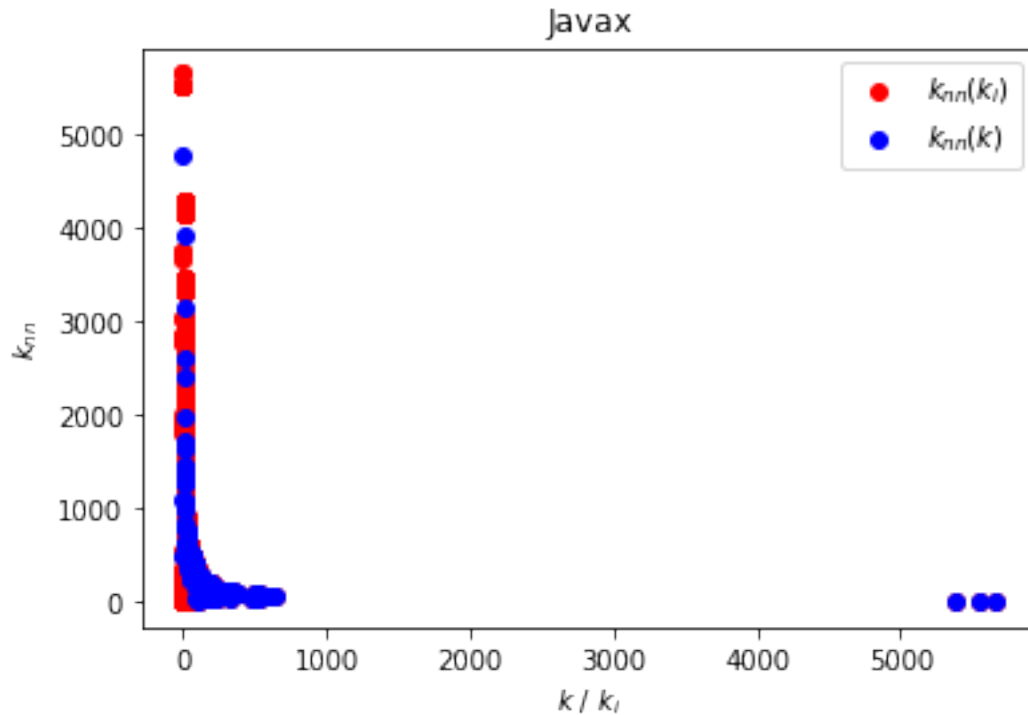
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[16]: plt.scatter(degrees_network_science, k_i_network_science, c='red',
    →label='$k_{nn}(k_i)$')
plt.scatter(range(len(deg_corr_mat_network_science_absolute[0])),
    →k_nn_network_science, c='blue', label='$k_{nn}(k)$')
plt.title("Network Science")
plt.xlabel('$k$ / $k_i$')
plt.ylabel('$k_{nn}$')
plt.legend()
plt.show()
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[17]: plt.scatter(degrees_blogs, k_i_blogs, c='red', label='$k_{nn}(k_i)$')
plt.scatter(range(len(deg_corr_mat_blogs_absolute[0])), k_nn_blogs, c='blue',
    →label='$k_{nn}(k)$')
plt.title("Blogs")
plt.xlabel('$k$ / $k_i$')
plt.ylabel('$k_{nn}$')
plt.legend()
plt.show()
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[18]: plt.scatter(degrees_javax, k_i_javax, c='red', label='$k_{nn}(k_i)$')
plt.scatter(range(len(deg_corr_mat_javax_absolute[0])), k_nn_javax, c='blue',
            →label='$k_{nn}(k)$')
plt.title("Javax")
plt.xlabel('$k$ / $k_i$')
plt.ylabel('$k_{nn}$')
plt.legend()
plt.show()
```



In Network Science, nodes with lower degree tend to have neighbors with low average degree, and higher degree nodes tend to have neighbors with high average degree. This supports the idea that Network Science is assortative. The opposite is true for Blogs, which seems to be a disassortative network. Javax seems also to be disassortative and has the interesting property, that it has few really high degree nodes. The neighbors of these hubs only have a low average degree.

7 Degree correlation coefficient

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[19]: def compute_degree_correlation_coefficient(G, deg_corr_mat):
    max_degree = max(deg for n, deg in G.degree)

    avg_degree = sum(deg for n, deg in G.degree)/len(G.degree)

    q_k = {}
    for deg in range(max_degree + 1):
        p_k = [deg for n, deg in G.degree].count(deg)/len(G.degree)
        q_k[deg] = (deg * p_k)/avg_degree

    sigma_squared = sum([(k**2) * q_k[k] for k in q_k]) - sum([k * q_k[k] for k_
    ↪in q_k])**2
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r = []

for j, row in enumerate(deg_corr_mat):
    for k, e_jk in enumerate(row):
        qk = q_k[k]
        qj = q_k[j]
        r.append((j*k*(e_jk-qj*qk))/sigma_squared)

r = sum(r)

return r

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[20]: print(f"The degree correlation coefficient with our computation for Network_
      ↪Science is r={compute_degree_correlation_coefficient(G_network_science,
      ↪deg_corr_mat_network_science)}")
      # to check our computation, we also use the inbuild function of networkx
      print(f"The degree correlation coefficient with the inbuild networkx function_
      ↪for Network Science is r={nx.algorithms.assortativity.
      ↪degree_assortativity_coefficient(G_network_science)}")

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The degree correlation coefficient with our computation for Network Science is
r=0.4616224667525837

The degree correlation coefficient with the inbuild networkx function for
Network Science is r=0.4616224667525835

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[21]: print(f"The degree correlation coefficient with our computation for Blogs is_
      ↪r={compute_degree_correlation_coefficient(G_blogs, deg_corr_mat_blogs)}")
      # to check our computation, we also use the inbuild function of networkx
      print(f"The degree correlation coefficient with the inbuild networkx function_
      ↪for Blogs is r={nx.algorithms.assortativity.
      ↪degree_assortativity_coefficient(G_blogs)}")

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The degree correlation coefficient with our computation for Blogs is
r=-0.2212328638045546

The degree correlation coefficient with the inbuild networkx function for Blogs
is r=-0.22123286380455423

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[26]: print(f"The degree correlation coefficient with our computation for Javax is_
      ↪r={compute_degree_correlation_coefficient(G_javax, deg_corr_mat_javax)}")
      # to check our computation, we also use the inbuild function of networkx
      print(f"The degree correlation coefficient with the inbuild networkx function_
      ↪for Javax is r={nx.algorithms.assortativity.
      ↪degree_assortativity_coefficient(G_javax)}")

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The degree correlation coefficient with our computation for Javax is
r=-0.2327051928360141

The degree correlation coefficient with the inbuild networkx function for Javax
is r=-0.23270519283601443

From analysing the degree correlation coefficients, based on the rules on slide 7-16 we can say:
Network Science is assortative.

Blogs is disassortative.

Javax is disassortative.

8 because it took forever: pickle stuff

```
with open('deg_corr_mat_javax_absolute.pkl','wb') as f: pickle.dump(deg_corr_mat_javax_absolute, f)
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with open('deg_corr_mat_javax.pkl','wb') as f: pickle.dump(deg_corr_mat_javax, f)
```

9 Discuss the advantages and disadvantages of each method

As already discussed, the heatmap plot of the degree correlation matrix can give a indication of assortativity for some network. this is the case if the distribution of degree correlations is somewhat clear. Also it is only useful on networks with not to high degrees (or a low number of unique degrees). If this is not the case, the probabilities of each combination (bins) are getting to low to get meaningful insights, or the shape of the heatmap does not give clear indications. The plot of the nearest neighbor degrees gives clearer inside and more meaningful results. From this, the assortativity of the networks was clearly visible. Also, it gives insights on the overall distribution of the average degrees. The degree correlation coefficient gave the clearest result for assortativity, having clear thresholds. On the downside, being only a number, detailed information about the overall distribution of degrees gets lost.

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