# Stochastic Approximation of Network Reliability

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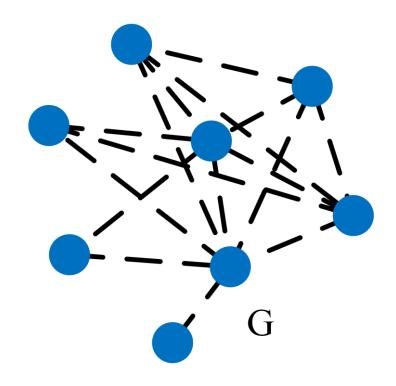
Undirected graph G(N, L)

Each link independently operational with

probability p

Nodes always operational

Network Reliability = Pr[G is connected]



Always operational

— Operational with p



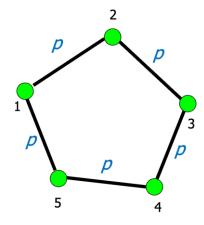


## Network Reliability Polynomial $Rel_G(p)$

$$Rel_G(p) = \sum_{i=0}^{L-N+1} F_i(1-p)^i p^{L-i}$$

*F<sub>i</sub>*: # of sets of i links, whose removal leave G connected

#### **NP-hard**



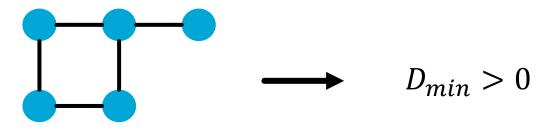
$$F_0 = 1$$
  
 $F_1 = 5$ 

$$Rel_G(p) = p^5 + 5p^4(1-p)$$



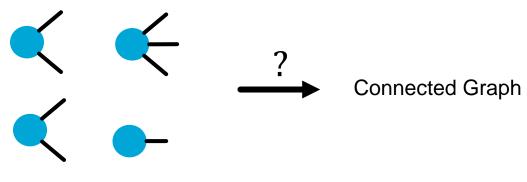


 $\{G_{p_l}(N) \text{ is connected }\} \Longrightarrow \{D_{min} \ge 1\}$ : always true



**Connected Graph** 

Main assumption:  $\{D_{min} \ge 1\} \Longrightarrow \{G_{p_l}(N) \text{ is connected } \}$  for large N and  $p_l$ 





$$D_{min} > 0$$

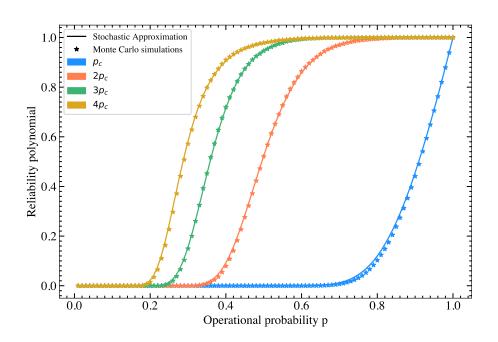
$$Pr[G \text{ is connected}] = Pr[D_{min} \ge 1] + o(1)$$

Stochastic approximation: 
$$Rel_G(p) \approx \overline{Rel}_G(p) = (1 - \varphi_D(1 - p))^N$$

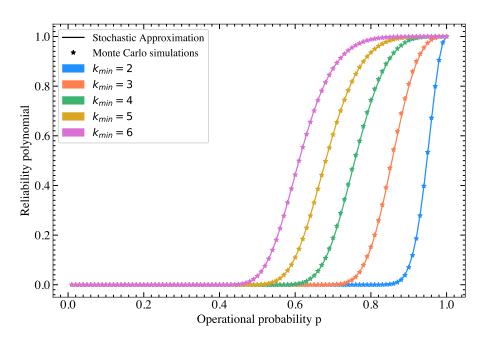
Where 
$$\varphi_D(z) = E[z^D] = \sum_{j=0}^{N-1} \Pr[D=j]z^j$$







ER graphs with N=200, different link density

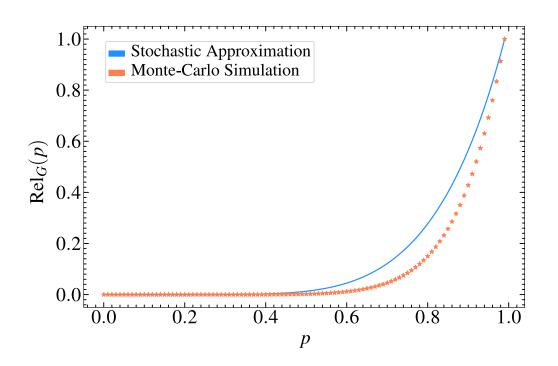


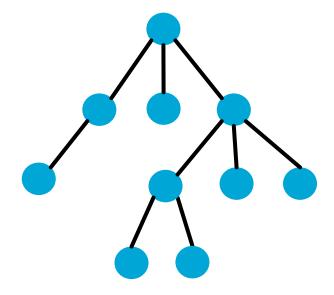
BA model with N=500, different numbers of edges per new node  $k_{min}$ 

Accurate and based solely on degree distribution









Tree graph with N = 10 nodes and L=9 links

Work bad for small N and  $p_l$ 





## Node reliability polynomial $nRel_G(p)$

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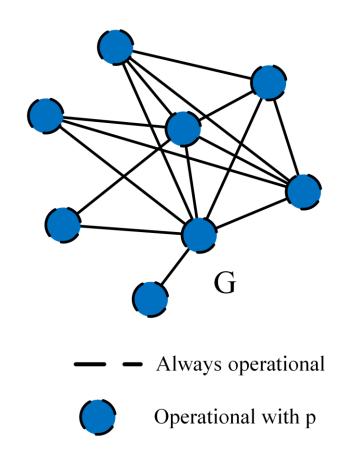
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#### Node reliability polynomial $nRel_G(p)$

$$nRel_G(p) = \sum_{k=0}^{N} S_k (1-p)^{N-k} p^N$$

 $S_k$ : # of sets of connected subgraph of G with k nodes

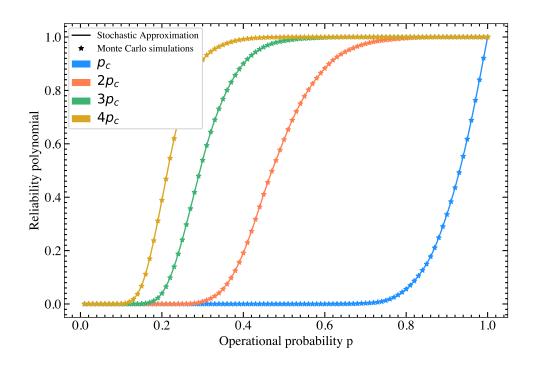
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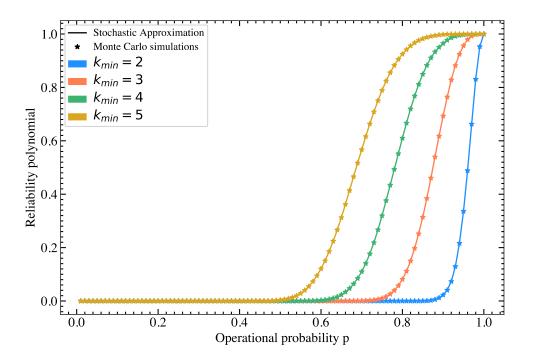
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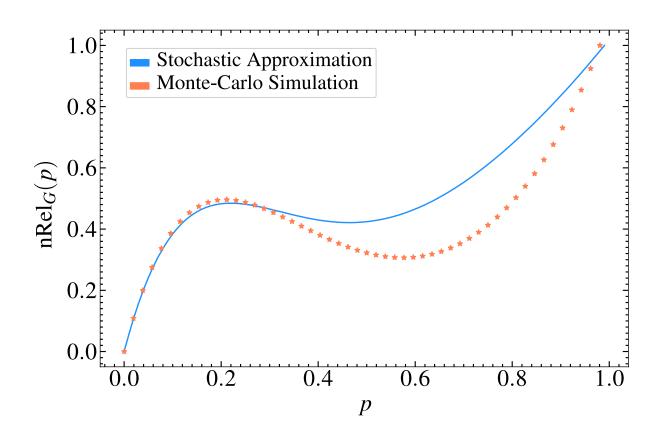
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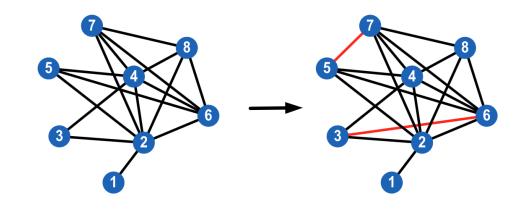
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## Enhancing Network Reliability by Adding *l* Edges

Adding l links to maximize the network reliability  $Rel_G(p)$  or node reliability  $nRel_G(p)$ 



**NP-hard** 





#### Reliability based k-GRIP problem

$$Rel_{G}(p) \approx (1 - \varphi(1 - p))^{N}$$
 
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Depend on  $1 - \varphi(1 - p)$ 

$$1 - \varphi(1 - p) = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^{N} (1 - (1 - p)^{d_i})$$

#### **Objective:**

$$\max_{A} 1 - \varphi_{D+A}(1-p)$$

$$= \max_{A=[a_1, a_2, ..., a_N]} \sum_{i=1}^{N} \left(1 - (1-p)^{d_i + a_i}\right)$$

#### **Subject to:**

$$s.t. \sum_{i=1}^{N} a_i = 2k, a_i \ge 0, a_i \in \mathbb{Z}$$

Greedily add links between nodes with the lowest degrees





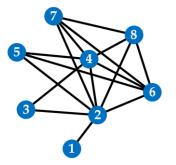
#### **Greedy Algorithm**

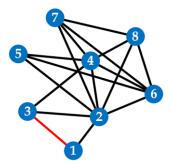
**Algorithm 1** Greedy Lowest-Degree Pairing Edge Addition Algorithm

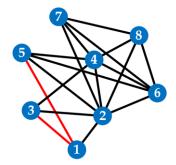
**Input:** a graph G, number of links to add k

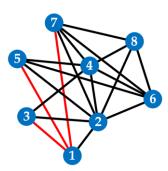
**Output:** a new graph  $G^*$ 

- 1: Generate the degree vector  $\mathbf{d}$  for graph G
- 2: **for** t = 1 to k **do**
- 3: Sort nodes by their degree in ascending order
- 4: Find node i with the smallest degree
- 5: Find node j with the smallest degree that is not connected to i
- 6: Add link between nodes i and j in the graph
- 7: Update the graph G and the degree vector  $\mathbf{d}$  after adding the new link
- 8: end for
- 9: Return the new graph  $G^*$





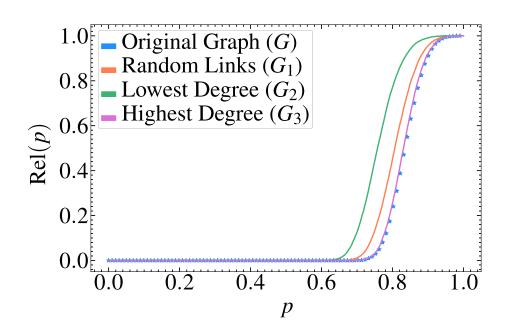


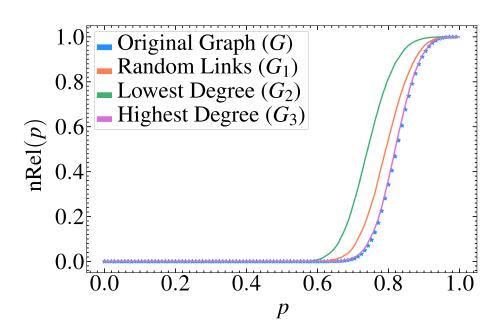






#### **Greedy Algorithm**





N = 1365 nodes, L = 5263 links, 500 links are added



#### **Thank You**



Paper: Node Reliability: Approximation, Upper Bounds, and Applications to Network Robustness

