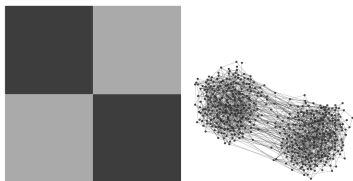


*core-periphery* structure

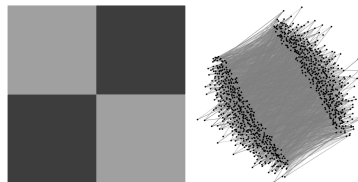
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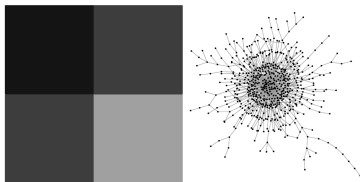
# core-periphery *block model*



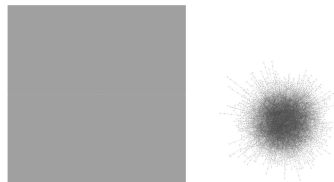
*community block model* [GN02]



*disassortative (bipartite) block model* [NL07]



*core-periphery block model* [Sei83]



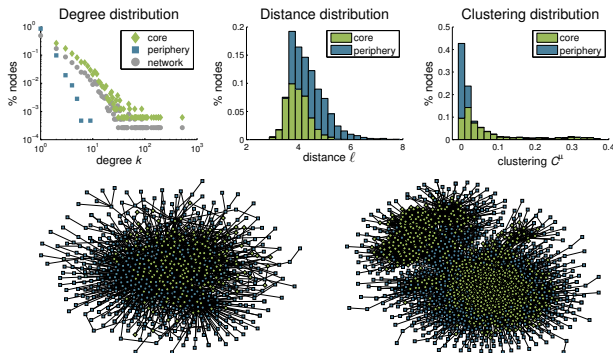
*random block model* [ER59]

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\* origin of core-periphery structure in international relations

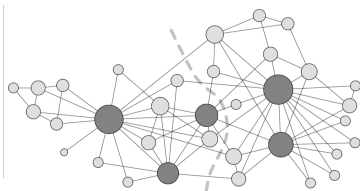
# core-periphery *structure*

- *core/periphery nodes* have *higher/lower degrees*  $k$
- *core/periphery nodes* are on *shorter/longer distances*  $\ell$
- *core/periphery nodes* have *higher/lower clustering*  $C^u$

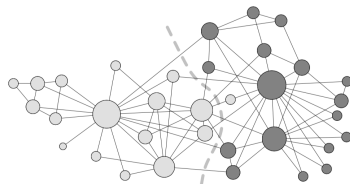


## core-periphery *stochastic*

- $G(\{C_1, C_2\}, \{p_{11}, p_{12}, p_{22}\})$  *stochastic block model* [HLL83]
  - $n_i$  is *size* of *cluster*  $C_i$  &  $p_{ij}$  is *link density* between  $C_i$  and  $C_j$
- *density-based core-periphery* structure when  $p_{11} \gg p_{12} \gg p_{22}$
- *lookalike core-periph.* when  $n_1 p_{11} \gg 1, n_1 p_{12} \ll 1, n_2 p_{22} \approx 1$



*non-corrected block model*  $p_{11} > p_{12} > p_{22}$



*degree-corrected block model*  $p_{11} \approx p_{22} > p_{12}$

## core-periphery *discrete/continuous*

— *discrete core-periphery division*  $\delta \in \{0, 1\}$  [BE00]

- $\delta_i = 1$  for *core nodes*  $i$  &  $\delta_i = 0$  for *peripheral nodes*  $i$

$$\rho_{\{0,1\}} = \sum_{ij} A_{ij} \Delta_{ij}^{\alpha} \quad \Delta_{ij} = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } \delta_i = \delta_j = 1 \\ 0 & \text{if } \delta_i = \delta_j = 0 \\ \alpha \in [0, 1] & \text{if } \delta_i - \delta_j \neq 0 \end{cases}$$

— *continuous core-periphery centrality*  $\delta \in [0, 1]$

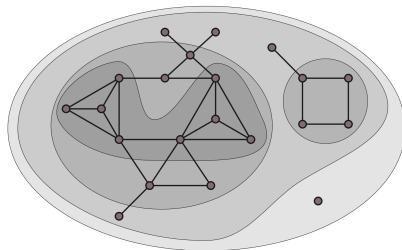
- $\delta_i \approx 1$  for *core nodes*  $i$  &  $\delta_i \approx 0$  for *peripheral nodes*  $i$

$$\rho_{[0,1]} = \sum_{ij} A_{ij} \delta_i \delta_j$$

$$\Delta^1 = \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ \hline 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right] \quad \Delta^{\alpha} = \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 0 & 1 & 1 & \alpha & \alpha & \alpha \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & \alpha & \alpha & \alpha \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & \alpha & \alpha & \alpha \\ \hline \alpha & \alpha & \alpha & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \alpha & \alpha & \alpha & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \alpha & \alpha & \alpha & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right] \quad \delta = \left[ \begin{array}{c} 1 \\ 0.8 \\ 0.7 \\ \hline 0.4 \\ 0.2 \\ 0.1 \end{array} \right]$$

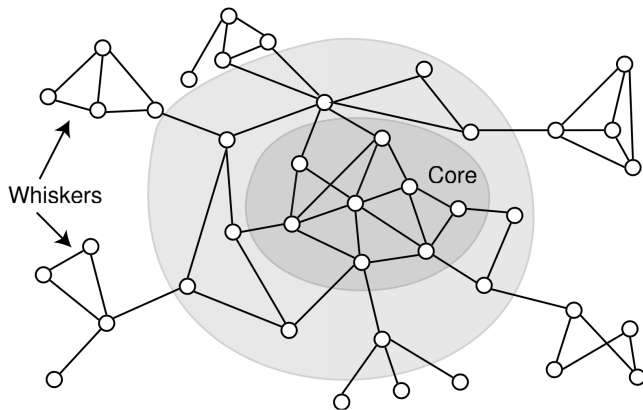
# core-periphery *k*-cores

- *k*-cores are *subgraphs of nodes* with  $\geq k$  neighbors [Sei83]  
remove nodes with degree  $< k$  until no such node remains [BZ11]
- *k*-shells are *nodes of k-cores* that are *not in k + 1-cores*
- *k*-cores are *nested* while *k-shells* form *decomposition*



1-cores are connected components w/o isolates & *k*-cores can be disconnected

## core-periphery *nestedness*



*nested cores & whiskers communities* [LLDM09, YL13]

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