

Question 1.2:

Erdos

84 trials resulted in epidemics

Mean proportion infected with condition : 94.756405

Mean proportion infected without conditioning : 85.281902

Preferential

77 trials resulted in epidemics

Mean proportion infected with condition : 87.767474

Mean proportion infected without conditioning : 78.991864

Actor

57 trials resulted in epidemics

Mean proportion infected with condition : 60.598130

Mean proportion infected without conditioning : 36.467543

Erdos vs Preferential

(0.84688346883468835, 0.35743548696217842, 1, array([[82., 18.],
[82., 18.])))

Preferential vs Actor

(2.7673482276003343, 0.096205419014361318, 1, array([[74.09411765, 19.90588235],
[59.90588235, 16.09411765]]))

Erdos vs Actor

(20.023809523809526, 7.6483890770273901e-06, 1, array([[70., 30.],
[70., 30.])))

According to the output, the Erdos-Renyi graph appear to be more susceptible to epidemics than the Preferential Attachment graph. This is because Erdos-Renyi graph appears to have higher final percentage infected. Overall, Erdos-Renyi graph is more susceptible to spread of disease. In the Preferential Attachment graph, a random node would not have a high degree causing higher infection rate. A random node in Erdos-Renyi graph will have higher degree than that of the Preferential Attachment. According to the Chi-Squared test, the Preferential Attachment graph vs the Erdos-Renyi graph does not have any significant differences.

Question 1.3:

Erdos

75 trials resulted in epidemics

Mean proportion infected with condition : 94.775369

Mean proportion infected without conditioning : 71.082949

Preferential

95 trials resulted in epidemics

Mean proportion infected with condition : 87.897162

Mean proportion infected without conditioning : 83.502589

Actor

90 trials resulted in epidemics

Mean proportion infected with condition : 61.410429

Mean proportion infected without conditioning : 55.269955

On average, the highest degree node in the Preferential Attachment graph will have higher degree than the ones in the Erdos-Renyi graph. This will cause higher infection in the Preferential Attachment graph in comparison to the Erdos-Renyi graph.

Question 1.4:

It is much harder for an epidemic to spread quickly in a structured community. It is however a lot easier to infect 1 distinct cluster. It is also easier for the infection to die out in that single distinct cluster too.

Erdos

100 trials resulted in epidemics

Mean proportion infected with condition : 94.768163

Mean proportion infected without conditioning : 94.768163

Preferential

100 trials resulted in epidemics

Mean proportion infected with condition : 87.925698

Mean proportion infected without conditioning : 87.925698

Actor

100 trials resulted in epidemics

Mean proportion infected with condition : 63.135347

Mean proportion infected without conditioning : 63.135347

There is no relative impact of targeting high-degree nodes increased by increasing number of nodes infected at the beginning. This is because 10 nodes make all trials go to 100 trials (completion) regardless. This is because higher infected node count means more infection and once the threshold is reached, it is simply impossible for the whole graph to not be infected.