

# Comparison of network complexity measures

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# 1 Introduction

In modern world, there are many fields where a network can be investigated and study. For example, electric cables in a city would form a large network.[1] Also, analysing social networks and use their unique properties to drop promotion precisely.[2] In addition, food webs can be considered as networks and they have been studied for many years.[3] There are many aspects of a network, but it is vital to ask: what is the complexity of a network? How a network to be designed as complex/simple? The goal of this project is to summarise and compare different complexity measures, including measure implementation and application on different real networks.

In this project, we want to be specific on transport networks. A transport network transfer either passengers or goods with the flow, from initial location to their destination. To apply complexity of transport networks, the designers of the network have to think about this: how do I modify the complexity of the network and what change will it bring to the network? Transport networks is different to common networks in real world, but before investigate the uniqueness of transport network, it is vital to study network science as a whole.



Figure 1: Key routes in central London.[4]

## 1.1 Graph theory

Firstly, what does network scientists study? A definition to network science is:

”we view network science as the study of the collection, management, analysis, interpretation, and presentation of relational data” [5]

### 1.1.1 Graph

**Theorem 1.1** (*Graph/network*) A graph or network  $G$  can be represented by three sets. A node set  $V : \{V_1, V_2, V_3 \dots V_n\}$  and an edge set  $E : \{E_1, E_2, E_3 \dots E_m\}$  and a function set  $\iota$  such that  $E \rightarrow V_\alpha \times V_\beta$  implies edge  $E$  represents a link starting from  $V_\alpha$  and ending at  $V_\beta$ .

In non-mathematical words, a network or a graph is a collection of nodes and edges, each node can connect to other nodes via edges. The border between the term network and graph is very ambiguous, and network scientists use them interchangeably. There are many different type of graphs. A path graph contains  $n$  nodes and all nodes are connected in a consequence, or a clique which all nodes are connected to others. Since a clique connects all its nodes, leads to a number of  $n(n - 1)/2$  edges in total.

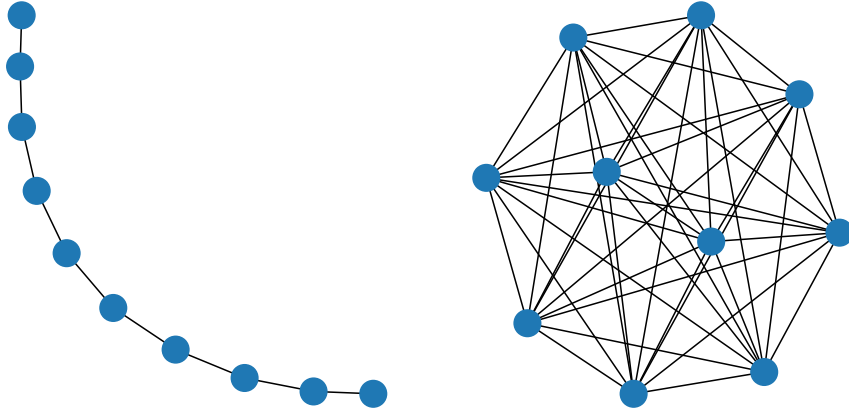


Figure 2: From left to right: A path with 10 nodes( $n = 10$ ) and 9 edges( $m = 9$ ); a clique with 10 nodes and 45 edges( $m = 45$ ).

**Theorem 1.2** (*Subgraph*) A subgraph  $G'$  is a slice of a graph  $G$ , such that  $V' \in V$ ,  $E' \in E$  and  $\iota'$  matches two nodes belongs to  $V'$ , i.e.  $E' \rightarrow V'_\alpha \times V'_\beta$ . All the edges must have their starting and ending points within the subgraph.

**Theorem 1.3** (Distance) Distance  $d_{i,j}$  in a undirected, unweighted graph is the minimum number of edges required to connect node  $i$  and  $j$ . Average distance  $\langle d \rangle$  is defined as  $\langle d \rangle = \frac{2}{n(n-1)} \sum_{i,j} d_{i,j}$ .

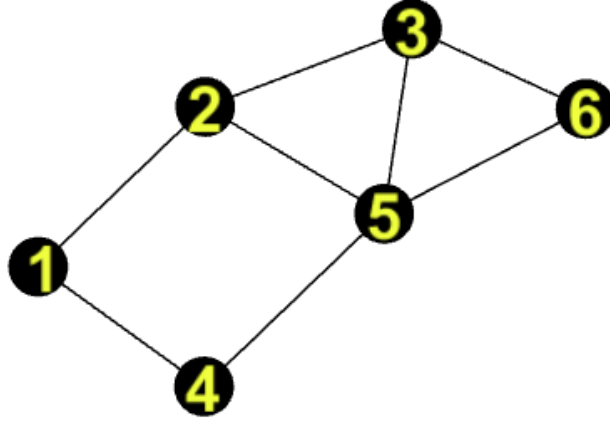


Figure 3: A simple network with 6 nodes and 8 edges.

Refereing to figure 3, distance between node 1 and 6 is 3, denoted by  $d_{1,6} = d_{6,1} = 3$ . Since all edges are undirected and unweighted, thus distance between node  $i$  and node  $j$  is equal to node  $j$  to node  $i$ :  $d_{i,j} = d_{j,i}$ . The average distance of the network is 1.53.

#### 1.1.2 Degree

A node  $i$  has degree  $k_i$  if it has  $k$  edges connected to other nodes. For figure 3, we have  $k_1 = 2, k_2 = 3, k_3 = 3, k_4 = 2, k_5 = 4, k_6 = 2$ . Thus, the total number of edges  $L$  in a network can be calculated:

$$L = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=0}^i k_i \quad (1)$$

Using equation 1, we can calculate the total number of links for figure 3 is equal to:

$$L = \frac{1}{2}(2 + 3 + 3 + 2 + 4 + 2) = 8 \quad (2)$$

An important parameter of a network is generated using degrees, which is average degree of a network:

$$\bar{k} = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=0}^i k_i \quad (3)$$

or, simply:

$$\bar{k} = \frac{2L}{N} \quad (4)$$

Applying formula 3 to figure 3, the average degree is:

$$\bar{k} = \frac{1}{6}(2 + 3 + 3 + 2 + 4 + 2) = \frac{8}{3} \quad (5)$$

or equivalently, using formula 4:

$$\bar{k} = \frac{1}{6}(8 * 2) = \frac{8}{3} \quad (6)$$

- Undirected. No edge has direction. If the graph is originally directed, it will be turned into a undirected graph.
- Unweighted. All the edges are fairly recognized and no weights are assigned.
- No multi-edges. There will be at most one edge between two nodes.
- No self-links. Nodes are not allowed to connect to themselves.

In order to evaluate different complexity measures, we need to introduce some graph models that are commonly used to model real world problems.

## 1.2 Random graphs

We have many real networks in the actual world, but defining or observing all of them is not feasible. For simulations and comparisons, network scientists introduced the idea of random networks. They are also known as Erdős-Rényi network in honour of two mathematicians: Paul Erdős and Alfréd Rényi. They have important contributions to understand the properties of a random network[6].

There are two definitions of a random network:

- $G(n, p)$  network. A network with  $n$  nodes will be initialised, there will be at most  $(n)(n - 1)/2$  edges. Each edge will be instantiated with probability  $p$ . This approach brings a randomness property to the graph; number of edges  $m$ . The expectation of  $m$  is equal to  $p(n)(n - 1)/2$ .
- $G(n, m)$  or  $G(n, L)$  network. A network with  $n$  nodes will be initialised,  $m$  or  $L$  edges will be connected from a random node to another random node. Due to the non-randomness of  $G(n, m)$  networks, they are used to simulate the behaviour of a random network in this thesis. They will be also referred to random network/random graph in this report unless stated otherwise.

In the literature review[litreview], we introduced the idea of clustering coefficient and average distance. For a given random graph, the clustering coefficient and average distance can be calculated using formulas.[7] The average clustering coefficient of a random graph is  $p$ , or  $2m/((n)(n-1))$ (number of instantiated edges divided by total number of possible edges). Clustering coefficient is used to illustrate the ratio between connected links and possible links between a node's neighbours. If there are  $k$  neighbours of a node, there can be at most  $k(k-1)/2$  edges between the neighbours. In these  $k(k-1)/2$  edges, only  $p$  of them will be instantiated. Thus, the ratio of connected edges and possible edges becomes  $\frac{pk(k-1)/2}{k(k-1)/2} = p$ . Additionally, average distance of a random graph  $L_r \approx \frac{\ln(n)}{\ln(k)} \approx \frac{\ln(n)}{\ln(2m/n)}$ . To be noticed, both parameters are expectation/approximated.

### 1.3 Rewiring

Except random graphs, network scientists desire more techniques to allow them to add or modify properties and variables of a network. Network scientists would use a technique called rewiring to change the properties and parameters of a network, and monitor the change of parameters respect to the rate of rewiring.[8] In this report, we are going to introduce two simple rewiring techniques: single link rewiring and pairwise rewiring.

- Starting with an edge  $(u, v)$ ; with starting node  $u$  and ending node  $v$ . Single link rewiring will look for a node  $w$  that hasn't yet been connected to node  $u$ . Once  $w$  is found, edge  $(u, v)$  will be removed and a new edge  $(u, w)$  will be added to the network.
- Starting with two edges  $(u, v)$  and  $(x, y)$ . Pairwise rewiring will remove both edges, and two new edges will be added:  $(u, y)$  and  $(x, v)$ .

Single link rewiring tends to give higher randomness to the network, and pairwise rewiring preserves the degree distribution. Both rewiring techniques require a parameter  $p$ , which is the probability of rewiring for each edge. If  $p = 1$ , using single link rewiring will cause the network to become a random network. However, since pairwise rewiring preserves the degree distribution,  $p = 1$  will not cause the network to become completely random.

### 1.4 Small-world

About 50 years ago, a famous study was carried out by Stanley Milgram[9] in the interest of this question: how many intermediates are needed to pass a message between two irrelevant or distanced person? This is known as the small-world problem. As counterintuitive as it may seem, the medium number of intermediates needed is only 5(an average of 6). This is not a fair and undoubtable experiment but it is almost

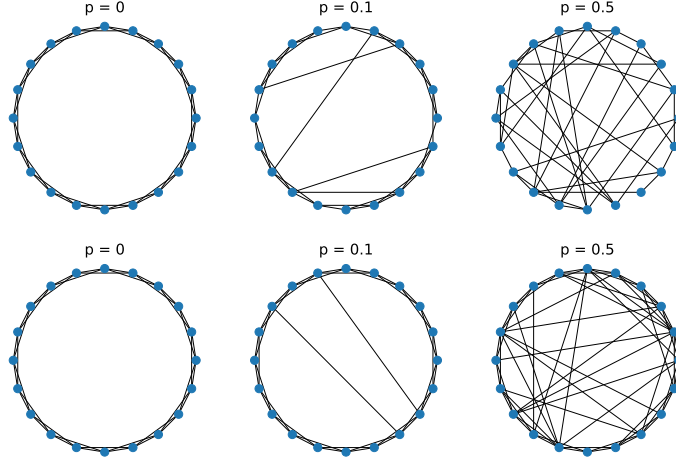


Figure 4: A demonstration of WS model(top) and NW model(bottom). The parameters are:  $n = 20$ ,  $k = 4$ ,  $p = 0, 0.1, 0.5$ .

impossible to determine the actual number of messenger needed in modern world. Nevertheless, this number would be smaller than most peoples' expectation. Mathematically, the small world problem is the study of graphs with small average distance, since network scientists believe that in real world networks, the average distance is small. Previously, we introduced the formula to calculate the average distance  $L_r$  of a random graph. Thus, if a graph has  $L/L_r < 1$ , this graph has less average distance than random graphs. If the ratio  $L/L_r$  is relatively small, we can classify it as a small-world network.

A small-world network can be generated using a Watts-Strogatz(WS) model[10] or a Newman-Watts(NW) model(a variant of the WS model)[11]. Both models require three parameters: number of nodes  $n$ , number of connected closest neighbours  $k$  and rewiring probability  $p$ . The key of both model is rewiring(single link rewiring). The graph starts with  $n$  nodes, each node is connected to  $k(k-1$  if  $k$  is odd) nearest neighbours;  $nk/2$  edges will be created. For each edge, there is a probability  $p$  that this edge will be rewired to another ending node(single link rewiring). While rewiring, the WS model removes the edge  $(u, v)$  and add a new edge  $(u, w)$ . Thus, the number of edges stays the same. However, the NW model maintains the edge  $(u, v)$  and adding the new edge  $(u, w)$ , causing the expectation of number of edges after rewiring to be  $nk/2 + pnk/2$ . Rewiring will add short paths to the networks, and cause the average distance to be exceptionally smaller. Suggested by Barabási[7], to obtain both high clustering and low average distance(properties of a small-world network),  $p$  should be between 0.001 and 0.1.



## 1.5 Scale-free network

A controversial topic of network science is whether real networks are usually scale-free[12]. To understand what is a scale-free network, we need to scope into the degree distribution of graphs.

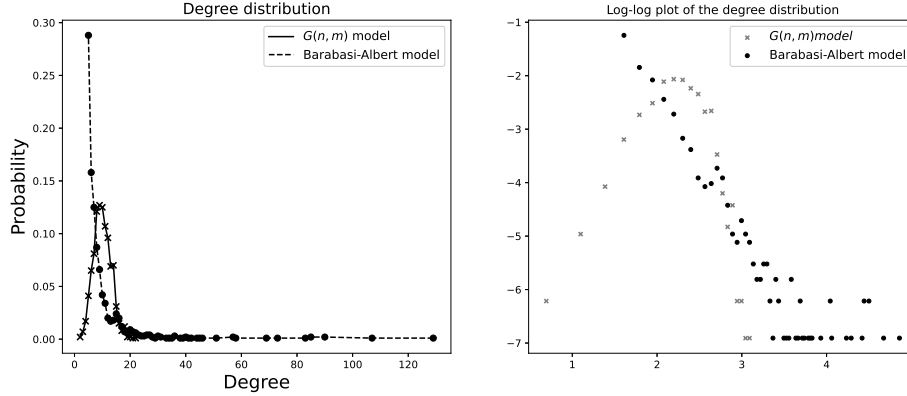


Figure 5: Degree distribution of a  $G(n, m)$  graph with  $n = 1000, m = 5000$  and a graph generated using Barabási-Albert model with  $n = 1000, m = 5$ .

Suggested by Barabási[7], the degree distribution of a random network is expected to follow a binomial distribution. However, it might not be the actual distribution of real networks. A controversial idea that hasn't yet been proven in network science community is: are real networks' degree distribution follows a power-law distribution? A power-law distribution follows:  $P(k) \sim k^{-\gamma}$ , the parameter  $\gamma$  is typically in the range  $2 < \gamma < 3$ . If the degree distribution of a network follows a power-law distribution, the network is said to be a scale-free network. Even though there are counter-examples[13], many network scientists still believe that real networks are scale-free[14]. In order to further simulate the behaviour of real networks, Barabási introduced the Barabási-Albert(BA) model to create scale-free networks.[7].

The BA model requires two parameters:  $n$  and  $m$ . Initially, only one node is created and  $n - 1$  nodes will be added to the network one by one. Whenever a node is added into the network, it will connect to  $m$  nodes. The logic of connection is the key of this model. Nodes are more likely to connect to nodes with more edges than nodes with less edges. For instance, a node has been added to the network, it is more likely to connect to a node with degree  $k=7$  than a node with degree  $k=3$ . This logic of connection is called preferential attachment. Essentially, like in real world, nodes are more likely to connect to nodes that have more impact on the network.[15] The BA model ensures most of the nodes have low degree, whereas only a few nodes have exceptionally high degree, as shown in figure 5. An ideal way to fit the power-law distribution is using a linear regression to fit the data in log-log scale.

## 1.6 Generating graphs

All graph models are utilized as below(unless specified):

- $G(n, m)$  random graphs/networks or random graphs/networks. With given  $n$ ,  $m$  will be randomly selected between  $n - 1$  to  $n(n - 1)/2$  to create various networks with different number of  $m$ .
- For WS and NW graphs, three parameters are required. Given parameter  $n$ ,  $k$  will be randomly selected between 1 and  $(n - 1)$  to give a larger range of  $m$ .  $p$  is also randomize, within the range 0.01 and 0.1 to simulate small-world network as mentioned in section 1.4. By randomize two parameters, more diversity samples will be generated.
- Two parameters are needed for BA graphs, given  $n$ ,  $m$  will be randomize between 1 and  $(n - 1)$ , so we can generate samples with different number of edges.

## 2 Methods

### 2.1 Implemeted methods

In the literature review[litreview], 9 methods were introduced, 7 methods were successfully implemented with a new method  $MA_{RI}$  based on the idea of  $MA_g$ . The implemented methods are:

- Subgraph measures:
  - $C_{1e,st}$
  - $C_{1e,spec}$
  - $C_{2e,spec}$
- Product measures:
  - $MA_g$
  - $MA_{RI}$
  - $Cr$
  - $Ce$
- $OdC$  (Entropy measure)

## 2.2 $MA_{RI}$

$MAg$  measure is a product measure, which assigns higher complexity to graphs with medium number of edges and lower complexity at both extremes (path and clique). Using the product of redundancy  $R$  and mutual information  $I$ , with normalisation,  $MAg$  is defined as [16]:

$$\begin{aligned} R &= \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i,j>i} \ln(d_i d_j) \\ I &= \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i,j>i} \ln\left(\frac{2m}{d_i d_j}\right) \end{aligned} \quad (7)$$

$$\begin{aligned} MA_R &= 4\left(\frac{R - R_{path}}{R_{clique} - R_{path}}\right)\left(1 - \frac{R - R_{path}}{R_{clique} - R_{path}}\right) \\ MA_I &= 4\left(\frac{I - I_{clique}}{I_{path} - I_{clique}}\right)\left(1 - \frac{I - I_{clique}}{I_{path} - I_{clique}}\right) \\ MA_g &= MA_R * MA_I \end{aligned} \quad (8)$$

$I$  can be written as:

$$\begin{aligned} I &= \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i,j>i} \ln\left(\frac{2m}{d_i d_j}\right) \\ I &= \frac{1}{m} \left( \sum_{i,j>i} \ln(2m) - \sum_{i,j>i} \ln(d_i d_j) \right) \\ I &= \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i,j>i} \ln(2m) - \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i,j>i} \ln(d_i d_j) \end{aligned} \quad (9)$$

$$I = \ln(2m) - R \quad (10)$$

$R_{path}$ ,  $R_{clique}$ ,  $I_{path}$  and  $I_{clique}$  represent the lowest redundancy, highest redundancy, highest mutual information and lowest mutual information of graphs with fixed  $n$  respectively. The equations can be found in appendix A. Kim and Wilhelm suggested that network scientists may use  $C = (R - R_{path})(I - I_{clique})$  as a complexity measure, however, the upper bound cannot be found to normalise the complexity [16]. From our study, an upper bound of  $C$  can be calculated analytically.

Assuming the upper bound  $C_{max}$  can be found,  $0 < C/C_{max} < 1$ . As suggested in equation 10,  $I = \ln(2m) - R$ , we can rewrite the complexity equation:

$$C = (R - R_{path})(\ln(2m) - R - I_{clique}) \quad (11)$$

$$C = -R^2 + (\ln(2m) - I_{clique} + R_{path})R + (-R_{path}\ln(2m) + R_{path}I_{clique}) \quad (12)$$

By observing equation 12, the complexity function is a quadratic function with only variable  $R$ , which means, there is one and only one extreme. Considering the nature of

product measure, it is safe to assume that the extreme is a maxima. To find the maxima, differentiates the function respect to  $R(R_{max})$  where the function's slope is 0:

$$\frac{dC}{dR} = -2R_{max} + \ln(2m) - I_{clique} + R_{path} = 0 \quad (13)$$

$$R_{max} = \frac{\ln(2m) - I_{clique} + R_{path}}{2} \quad (14)$$

Even without assumption,  $d^2C/dR^2 = -2$  implies the extreme is a maxima. As  $C_{max}$  is found, substitutes equation 14 into equation 11:

$$\begin{aligned} C_{max} &= (R_{max} - R_{path})(\ln(2m) - R_{max} - I_{clique}) \\ C_{max} &= \left(\frac{\ln(2m) - I_{clique} + R_{path}}{2} - R_{path}\right)(\ln(2m) - \frac{\ln(2m) - I_{clique} + R_{path}}{2} - I_{clique}) \\ C_{max} &= \left(\frac{\ln(2m) - I_{clique} - R_{path}}{2}\right)\left(\frac{\ln(2m) - R_{path} - I_{clique}}{2}\right) \end{aligned} \quad (15)$$

$$C_{max} = \frac{(\ln(2m) - I_{clique} - R_{path})^2}{4} \quad (16)$$

Thus, using equation 16, a new normalized measure  $MA_{RI}$  can be defined using  $C/C_{max}$ :

$$MA_{RI} = \frac{4(R - R_{path})(I - I_{clique})}{(\ln(2m) - I_{clique} - R_{path})^2} \quad (17)$$

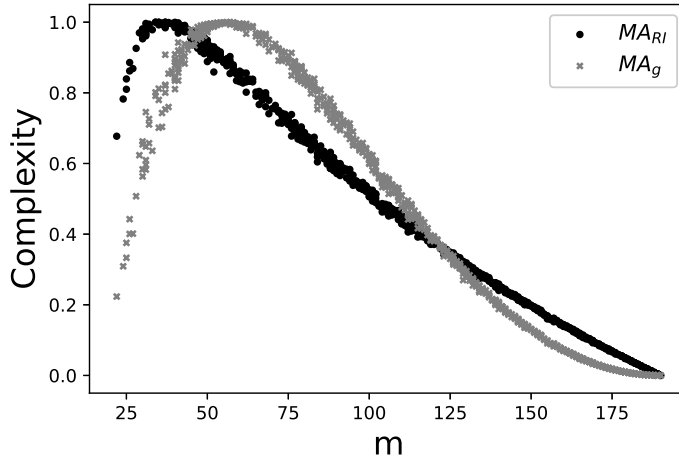


Figure 6:  $MA_g$  and  $MA_{RI}$  complexity of  $G(n, m)$  networks, all networks have 20 nodes and 1000 samples with random  $m$  have been generated.

As shown in figure 6,  $MA_{RI}$  gives higher complexity to sparser graphs but less complexity when approaching to medium number of links. Additionally, it decreases more linear and smoothly compare to  $MA_g$ .

### 2.3 Potential problems and solutions of different subgraph measures

During the implementation of different subgraph measures, several problems were found, possible solutions are also given for future implementation.

Different subgraph measures are principally simple, but they are complex to compute, within at least  $O(n^2)$  time[16]. This is not the only problem. An upper bound of the complexity  $m_{cu} = n^{1.68} - 10$  was assumed by Kim and Wilhelm[16] to normalise the complexity. However, from the simulation, we found that this may not be the actual upper-bound of the different subgraph measures.

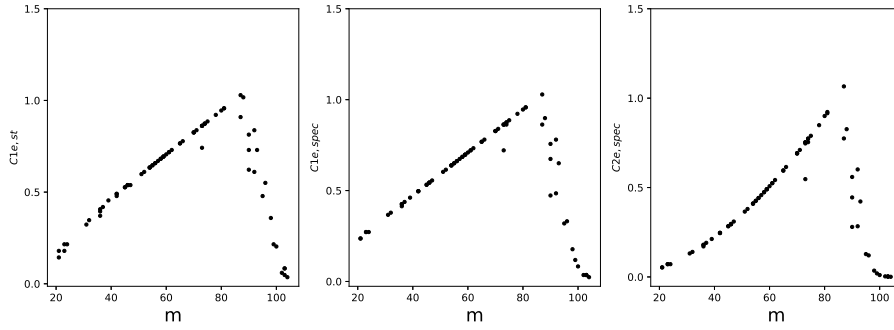


Figure 7: Different subgraph measure of 1000  $G(n, m)$  random graphs, with  $n = 15$ .

The complexity is abnormal for graphs with around 90 edges and 15 nodes as shown in figure 7. This could imply that the upper bound assumption  $m_{cu}$  is not correct, but there is another possible reason, which is the problem of floating point arithmetic.

On most machines today, numbers are represented in binary system[17]. For example, 0.2 is recorded as 0.00110011001100110011... in a binary system. This series is infinite, represented by  $1*2^{-3} + 1*2^{-4} + 1*2^{-7} + 1*2^{-8} + \dots$ . For obvious reasons, computer scientists don't want to work with infinite series, therefore, the series is approximated. On a modern computer, the series is usually approximated to 63 digits with 1 digit represents the sign of the number. After approximation, the error could cause the equal operation to fail. A well known example is that for modern programming language or machine that operates this numbering system,  $0.2+0.1$  does not equal to  $0.15+0.15$ . As a result, the inaccurate comparison may cause more number of different subgraphs than actual.

The core of different subgraph measure is to compare the cofactor( $C_{1e,st}$ ) or spectrum( $C_{1e,spec}$  and  $C_{2e,spec}$ ) of a subgraph. Given the fact that the probability of a decimal number to appear in the spectrums is high and the cofactor will also be very large for a large graph. The comparisons will be inaccurate with a high probability. There are three possible solutions:

- As suggested, errors will be made when approximated by the machine. An error

threshold can be used when comparing spectrums and cofactors. For example, two numbers with relative error less than 1% can also be considered as equal numbers. One disadvantage is the increase of complexity, taking more time and effort to compare the spectrums/number of spanning trees.

- Similarly, numbers can be rounded before comparison to avoid error. This is used in the implementation of different subgraph measures, all cofactors and spectrums are rounded to first 10 significant figures. This solution requires less computation time than first solution and reduce the number of misclassification. The drawback is that similar graphs can be considered as isomorphic graphs, this also applies to the first provided solution, but with higher accuracy for large graphs. This may still gives complexities larger than 1, but it is the best solution considering the effort spent. Thus, this solution iwll be used in this project.
- Instead of using  $m_{cu}$  as a normalisation parameter,  $m$  or  $n(n-1)/2$  can be used for one-edge-deleted subgraph complexity and  $\binom{m}{2}$  for two-edges-deleted subgraph complexity. This gurantees the normalisation and avoid the mistake that caused by the first two solutions, but on the other hand, causing the complexity to be different.

A unique problem with  $C_{2e,spec}$  is the value is not properly scaled for small graphs.

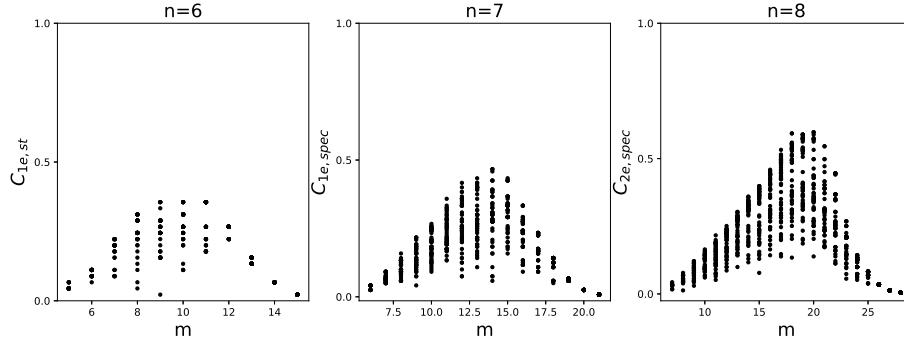


Figure 8:  $C_{2e,spec}$  complexities of  $G(n, m)$  random graphs for  $n = 6, 7, 8$  respectively. For each  $m$ , 50 samples are generated

The upper-bound of  $C_{2e,spec}$  is 0.5 while  $n \leq 7$ . To have an upper-bound at 1, the complexity values have to be scaled by 2. However, scale by 2 will cause the complexity to exceed 1 for larger graphs. Thus, we stuck to the original normalisation and scaling,  $C_{2e,spec}$  will have an upperbound at 0.5 for  $n = 7$ , and less for smaller  $ns$ .

### 3 Result

#### 3.1 Complexity measures on small random graphs

To validate implemented measures, all measures are applied on  $G(n, m)$  random graphs, with  $n = 7$  and 50 samples are generated for each  $m$ . As shown in figure 9, we reproduced results as Kim and Wilhelm did in [16]. Except  $C_{2e, spec}$ , as mentioned in section 2.3, there is a scaling problem. Most of the methods reaches its maximum with medium number of links. Low complexity are given to highly connected graphs and sparse graphs as expected.

Different subgraph measures perform similarly when the graph is neither sparse or strongly connected, there is a big difference between the maximum and minimum with same  $m$ . Thus, it is very difficult to predict the complexity of a graph with given  $m$  and  $n$ . The highest complexity is reached at  $m = 15$  for  $C_{1e,st}$  and  $C_{1e,spec}$  and  $m = 14$  for  $C_{2e,spec}$ . There is a miss in the plot:  $C_{1e,spec}$  and  $C_{2e,spec}$  plot does not contain a data point at (6,0). There is a very small probability for  $G(n, m)$  model to generate a star graph ( $n-1$  nodes are connected to 1 node, in total of  $n-1$  edges), which will result in 0 complexity using  $C_{1e,spec}$  and  $C_{2e,spec}$  measure. Uses different subgraph measures for small graphs is optimal as it is relatively independent of  $m$ , but not for large graphs due to its complexity.

$OdC$  is based on the node-node link correlation matrix of a graph.[18] Thus, it spreads across the space and has little relationship with  $m$ .  $OdC$  assigns a lot of graphs with 6 edges high complexity than desired.  $OdC$  is "hierarchy sensitive", it may not create big difference between graphs when the graphs are considerably small.

All 4 product measures are similar, gives higher complexity value at medium number of edges and less at both extremes. There is a very small difference between graphs with same number of edges.  $Ce$  and  $Cr$  tends to give highest complexity to graphs with exactly  $n(n-1)/4$  edges, and  $MA_{RI}$  and  $MA_g$  reach their maximum before medium number of edges as expected. Product measure are highly depending on  $m$ , such that complexity of a graph can be approximated solely based on  $m$  and  $n$ . Network scientists may use machine learning techniques to approximate complexity of a graph using  $m$  and  $n$  in a small amount of time. On the other hand, product measure may not be optimal because a complexity measure should not solely based on  $m$  and  $n$ , but the overall structure of a network.

### 3.2 BA,WS and NW model

As informed in section 2.3, different subgraph measures have normalisation problem and the complexity would exceed 1.

Surprisingly, different subgraph measures and product measures are struggling to separate random graphs, WS graphs and NW graphs. Only  $OdC$  separates random graphs and WS, NW model by giving random graphs higher complexity than WS and NW model with fixed  $m$ . This is because  $OdC$  awards graphs with complicated degree correlation.

BA graphs give more interesting results. Different subgraph measures assign lower complexity to BA graphs compare to random graphs. This can be caused by the preferential attachment. Preferential attachment ensures most nodes have low degree and builds hubs (nodes with high degree) in the graph. After cutting an edge/two edges between hubs and nodes with small degree, there is a high chance an isomorphic subgraph can be found, thus lower the complexity of the graph. In another word, subgraphs resulted by cutting the edge between hubs and node with small degree are very similar



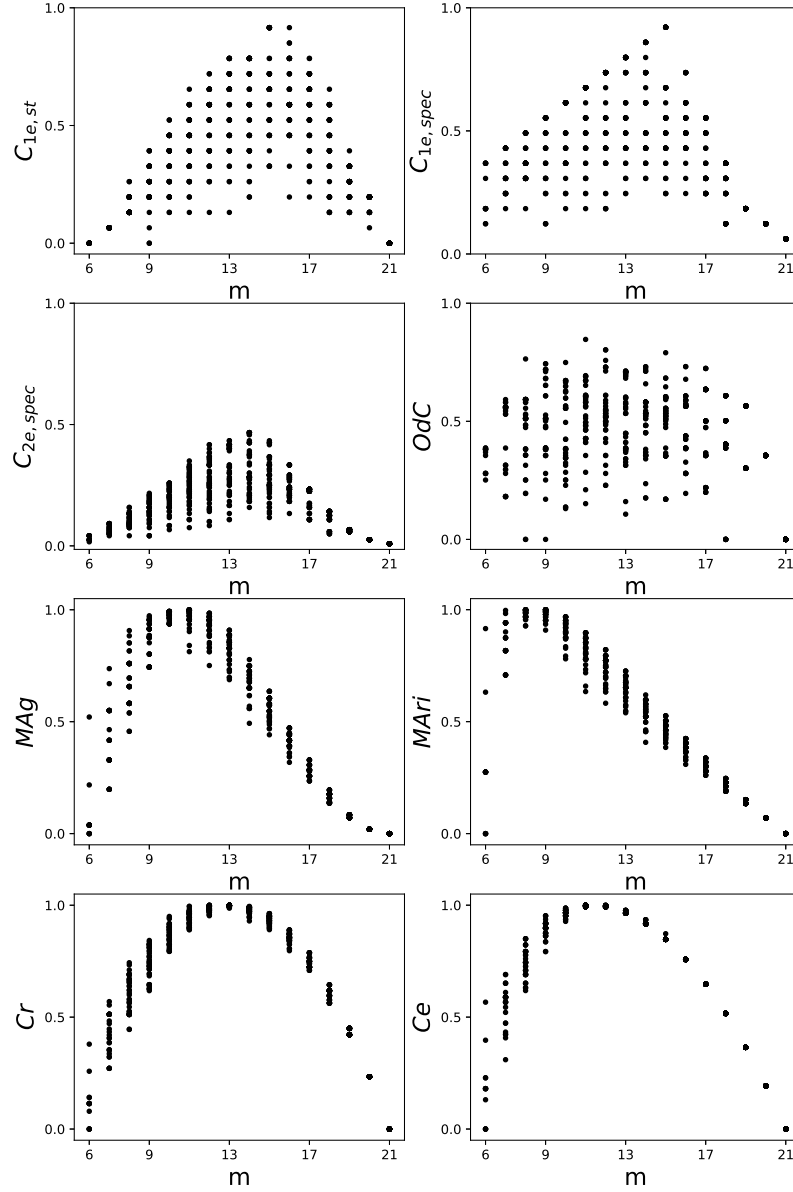


Figure 9: Complexity of graphs generated using  $G(7, m)$  model, 50 samples are generated for each  $m$ . Methods from top-left to bottom-right are:  $C_{1e,st}$ ,  $C_{1e,spec}$ ,  $C_{2e,spec}$ ,  $OdC$ ,  $MAg$ ,  $Cr$ ,  $Cr$  and  $MAri$ .

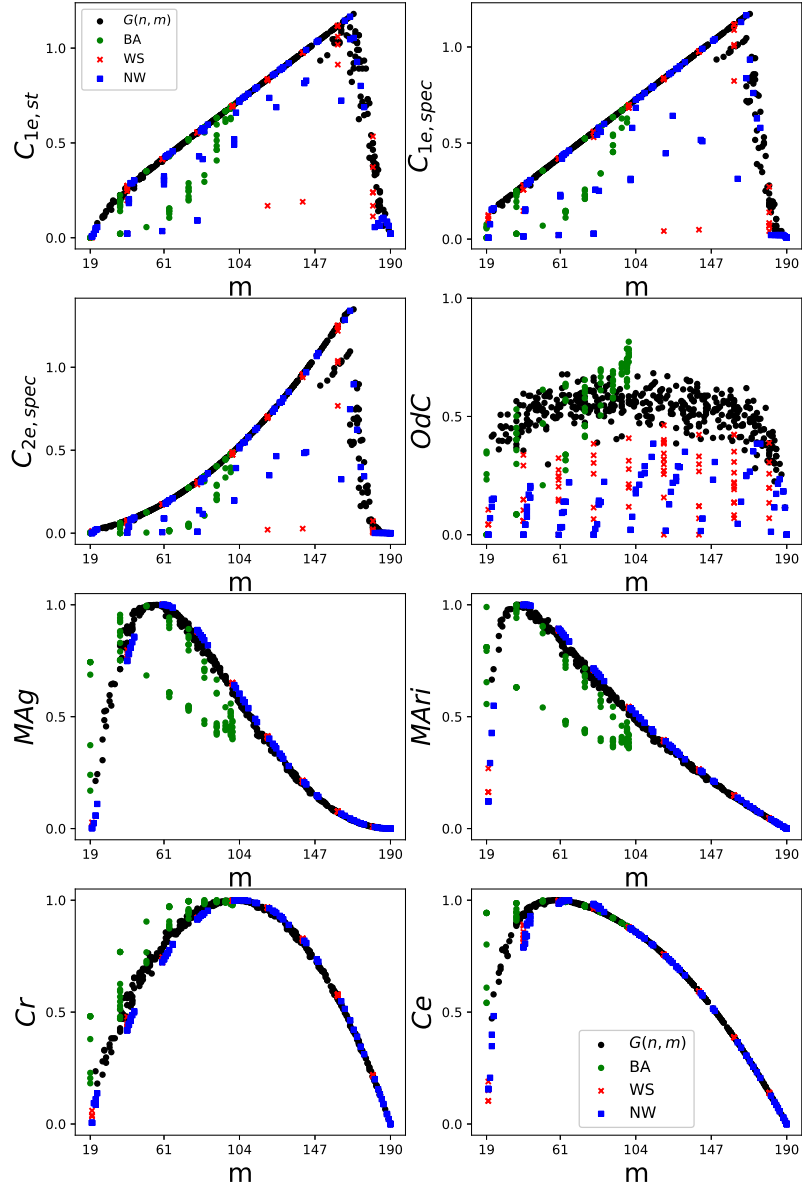


Figure 10: Complexity of 500  $G(n, m)$  graphs, 100 BA graphs, 100 WS graphs and 100 NW graphs, with  $n = 20$ . Graphs are generated according to section 1.6.

and occasionally isomorphic.

$MA_g$  and  $MA_{RI}$  perform similarly by assigning BA graphs lower value towards medium number of links. Both measures are depending on the variable  $\sum_{i,j>i} d_i d_j$ . BA graphs usually have less  $\sum_{i,j>i} d_i d_j$  because they are highly structure, causing less sum than a random graph. Contrarily,  $Ce$  and  $Cr$  cannot distinguish BA graphs and random graphs.  $Ce$  is based on the efficiency of a graph, a highly complex graph should have small average distance with not too much edges simultaneously. BA graph does not perform different than random graphs in  $Ce$  measure.

### 3.2.1 Configuration model

As introduced in section 1.4, a network is said to be scale-free if its degree distribution follows a power law distribution with  $2 < \gamma < 3$ . To observe how the change of  $\gamma$  would affect the complexity of a network, we need a model that can generate the graph with given  $\gamma$ . A configuration model [19] is able to turn a given degree distribution into a graph, which has the exact degree distribution as the given degree series.  $OdC$

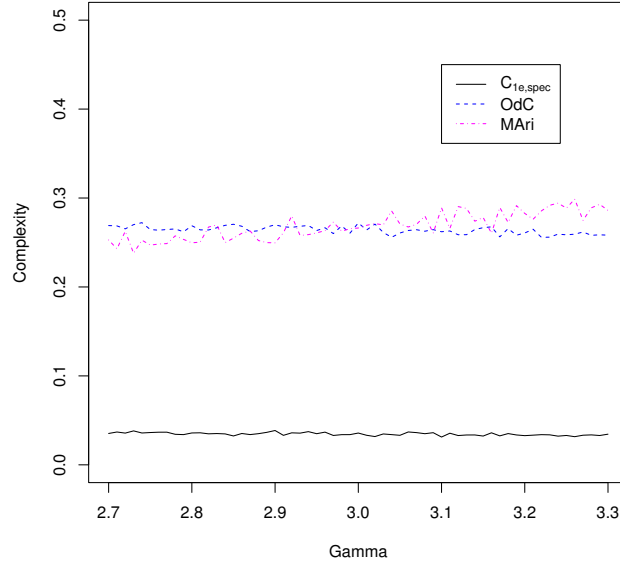


Figure 11: Complexities of graphs generated using configuration model,  $n = 50$ . Results are average of 50 simulations.

and  $C_{1e,spec}$  didn't change much by varying  $\gamma$ .  $MA_{RI}$  increases slightly as it is very sensitive to the change of degrees of nodes. Overall, varying  $\gamma$  does not impact the complexity by a lot. Due to limitation of our implementation, we can only generate a degree distribution within the range  $2.7 < \gamma < 3.3$ , by varying  $n$  and  $\gamma$  in a larger range, and adding a new variable  $n$  in the model, it can be more suggestful.

### 3.3 Complexity correlation

Different type of measures focus on different properties/parameters of a network, monitor the correlation between measures enable further understanding of the properties/parameters each measure is highlighting on. Additionally, network scientists may use more than one complexity measure on a network to determine whether they are truly "complex" or not. Combining complexity measures on networks will allow network scientists to comment on the network complexity from different aspect. For these reasons, we choosed three measures( $C_{1e,st}$ ,  $OdC$  and  $MA_{RI}$ ) and monitored their behaviours on random and BA graphs. The reason BA graphs are added is to investigate whether distinguish BA graphs and random graphs is possible or not.

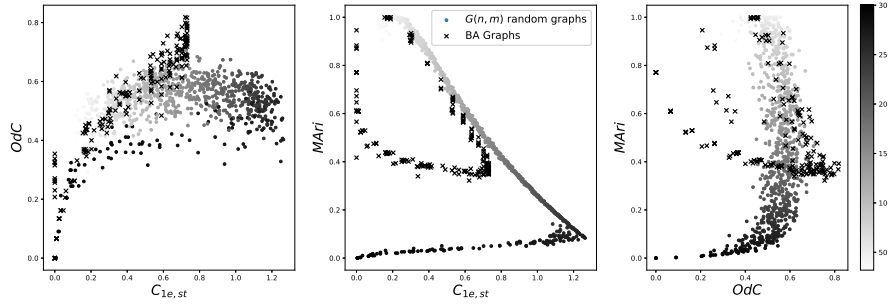


Figure 12: Correlation of complexity measures on 1000 random graphs and 200 BA graphs with  $n = 25$ . Generated according to the rules stated in section 1.6.

Colorbar represents change of  $m$ : higher the  $m$ , darker the datapoints.

As figure 12 suggests, the correlation between complexity measures are difficult to observe, since they are trying to address different things. As  $C_{1e,st}$  value increases,  $OdC$  also increases. We indicated in section 3.1,  $m$  is not an important factor for  $OdC$ . On the other hand,  $C_{1e,st}$  is highly based on  $m$ , the complexity increases linearly with  $m$ , and then complexity drops quickly after reaching the maximum. By constructing a correlation between  $C_{1e,st}$  and  $OdC$ , separate BA graphs and random graphs is not possible.

Since both complexity measure are heavily depend on  $m$ , thus we can observe a linear decreasing trend. We can detect a very unique distribution of the BA graphs' complexity: a shape between ellipse and half-moon. This is because both  $MA_{RI}$  and  $C_{1e,st}$  assign lower complexity values to some of the BA graphs, compare to other BA graphs with same number of edges. Therefore, distinguish BA graphs and random graphs is difficult.

The correlation between  $OdC$  and  $MA_{RI}$  of random graph seems simple: as  $m$  decrease,  $MA_{RI}$  decrease speedly but  $OdC$  change unnoticeably until the graph is highly connected. On the other hand, the correlation between  $OdC$  and  $MA_{RI}$  on BA graphs perform slightly different. As suggested,  $MA_{RI}$  distributes lower complexity to some

BA graphs, and  $OdC$  is very consistent. In section 3.2.1, we did not observe a big change of complexity by varying  $\gamma$ . To observe a better result, using larger graph is optimal(for instance  $n = 1000$ ), but due to technical issues(time complexity), they are not used here.

### 3.4 Complement graphs

Definition of a complement graph is fairly simple: the complement graph contains all the edges that are not in the original graph. To ensure complexity measures can be successfully applied, graphs that will cause the complement graphs to be disconnected will be removed. Thus, in theory, the original graphs and the complement graphs are not extreme graphs. Analysing the complexity correlation between the original graph and the complement graph give us more inspirations of the measure. We have choose three different measures with different types:  $OdC$ ,  $MA_{RI}$  and  $C_{1e,spec}$ .  $OdC$  seems to be

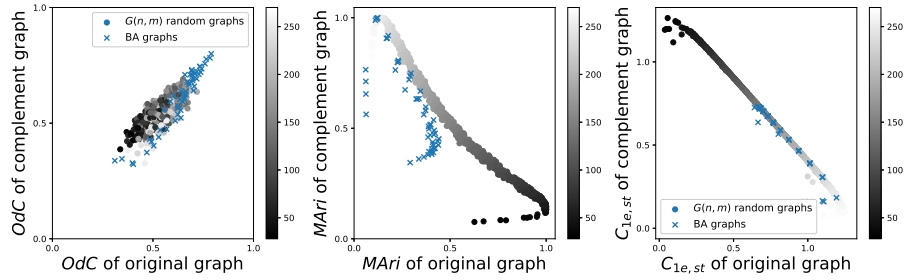


Figure 13: Complexities of the original graphs and complement graphs with  $n = 20$ . There are two types of graphs are generated: 500  $G(n, m)$  random graphs and 100 BA graphs.

very symmetric with respect to  $m$ . Since taking the complement graph is reversing the degree distribution, the consistency of node-node link relation is preserved. Causing the complexity value for original graph equal to the complement graph. As mentioned  $MA_{RI}$  is highly based on the number of edges, so observing a linear function is not a surprise. This also applies to BA graphs. Similar to  $MA_{RI}$ ,  $C_{1e,st}$  is more keen to  $m$ , causing another negative correlation between the original graph and the complement graph.

### 3.5 Applying $MA_{RI}$ on real networks

To test the new measure  $MA_{RI}$ , 6 real networks are collected. To ensure comprehensive evaluation, various types of networks are used. To be applicable, bus networks in 6 cities are collected and converted to networks from raw. Bus networks are different to other real networks. Bus networks contain extraordinary amount of nodes with degree

2. For simplification and general interest, bus networks are modified. In modified bus networks, all nodes with  $k = 2$  are removed, whereas the edges are preserved. For instance, node  $b$  is only connected to  $a$  and  $c$ . Node  $b$  will be removed from the network and a new edge  $(a, c)$  will be added to the network. The modification will be iterated multiple times until bus networks are free from node with degree  $k = 2$ . Modification will significantly decrease the distance of bus networks. Moreover, generated graphs are also added to be evaluated and compared.

To be mentioned, we will refer these non-bus networks as real networks, for convenience.

Label	Name	Type	n	m	L	$L_r$	$MA_{RI}$	$OdC$
Real networks								
1	Dolphins[20]	Animal interaction	62	159	3.357	2.524	0.999	0.517
2	PDZBase [21]	Protein interaction	161	209	5.326	5.326	0.824	0.310
3	Hamsterster[22]	Online social network	874	4003	3.217	3.058	0.963	0.532
4	Roget's Thesaurus [23]	Synonym network	994	3640	4.075	3.466	0.960	0.392
5	Flight[24]	Flight network	3397	19230	4.103	3.350	0.948	0.525
6	UK train [25]	UK train network	2490	4377	10.384	6.220	0.664	0.233
Bus networks								
7	London[25]		8653	12285	32.338	8.687	0.38	0.127
8	Paris[26]		10644	12309	47.631	11.059	0.173	0.065
9	Berlin[26]		4316	5869	33.284	8.366	0.358	0.134
10	Sydney[26]		22659	26720	36.131	11.688	0.173	0.064
11	Detroit[26]		5683	5946	70.513	11.708	0.062	0.020
12	Beijing[27]		9249	14058	27.891	8.214	0.441	0.167
Modified Bus								
13	London		3417	6018	18.308	6.462	0.553	0.128
14	Paris		2762	4301	15.386	6.975	0.468	0.106
15	Berlin		1662	2941	18.36	5.867	0.586	0.149
16	Sydney		4834	8358	17.665	6.838	0.49	0.089
17	Detroit		295	483	6.341	4.794	0.643	0.117
18	Beijing		4072	8325	14.864	5.902	0.64	0.195
Generated networks								
19	G(n,m) random network( $n = 875, m = 4000$ )		875	4000	3.313	3.061	0.970	0.330
20	WS network( $n = 875, k = 10, p = 0.05$ )		875	4375	5.000	2.942	0.974	0.123
21	NW network( $n = 875, k = 10, p = 0.05$ )		875	4587	5.075	2.883	0.980	0.089
22	BA random network( $n = 875, m = 5$ )		875	4350	2.922	2.950	0.999	0.358

Table 1: Label,description and parameters of used networks

After careful consideration, average distance ratio  $L/L_r$  is chosen to be the variable shown on x-axis in figure 14. Average distance is a more important parameter to consider about because it can identify how "small-world" the network is. As suggested,

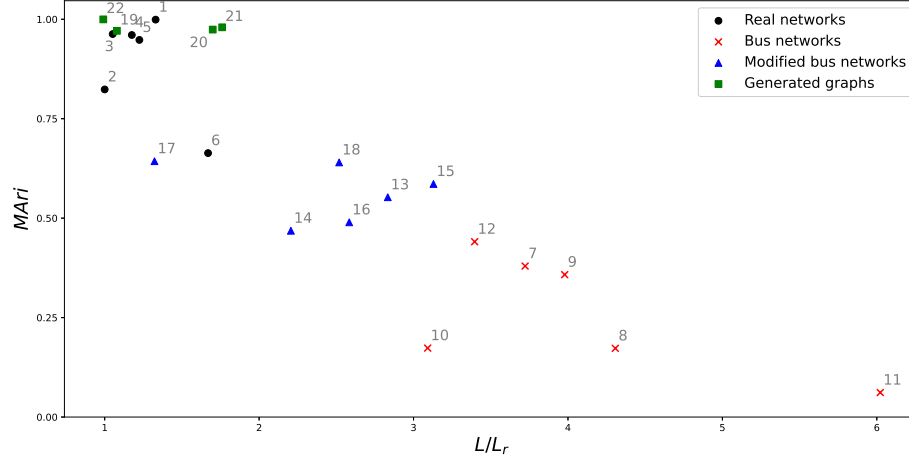


Figure 14:  $MA_{RI}$  complexity of real networks, bus networks, modified bus networks and graphs generated by graph models, labelling and description can be found in table 1.

all the bus networks have significantly higher average distance ratio than real networks. Even after modified, the average distance ratios are still relatively high. But higher average distance ratio brings less  $MA_{RI}$  complexity. We can suggest a negative correlation between the average distance ratio and the  $MA_{RI}$  complexity. There is an exception of real networks, which is the UK train network. Considering the similarity between bus networks and train networks, it is not surprising. Generated graphs also behaves similar to standard real networks; low average distance ratio with high complexity, as they are intended to simulate the behaviour of standard real networks. In theory, "Flight" is also a public transport, so it should behave similar to bus networks or the train network. However, the "Flight" network performs unlike transport networks. Flight networks are designed to be robust[28] to be functional under severe whether/accident. Unlike trains or buses, flight are less limited by physical path in the sky.

To discuss the cause of increase of  $MA_{RI}$  complexity after modified, we need to consider about the parameter  $MA_{RI}$  focusing on.  $\sum_{i,j>i} d_i d_j$  is the only variable that affects the complexity of a graph. The essence of the measure is calculating the average  $d_i d_j$ . By removing nodes with degree 2, average  $d_i d_j$  will be increased, and leads to an increase of the  $MA_{RI}$  complexity.

### 3.6 Rewiring on real networks

As recommened in section 1.3, rewiring is an important technique to monitor the behaviour of a network. Hence, we rewired real networks and modified bus networks to record their behaviour. Both single link rewiring and pairwise rewiring will be used.

The reason we are going to use  $OdC$  instead of  $MA_{RI}$  is that pairwise rewiring will keep the degree relationship, and  $MA_{RI}$  will stay unchanged.

How we rewire graphs:

- The rewiring is done gradually. Initially, graph  $G$  will be rewired with probability  $p = 0.05$ . After recording the results, we rewire it with probability  $p = 0.05$  again. This step will be repeated 20 times.
- Both rewiring have been simulated on all graphs more than 10 times("dolphins" and "PDZBase" have been rewired more than 100 times, as they are relatively small), to generate more consistent results.

From figure 15, we can conclude that most real networks behave similar using rewiring. As mentioned in section 1.3, single link rewiring results in higher randomness, because it destroys the degree distribution. In theory, when  $p = 1$ , the graph becomes a random network.  $OdC$  decreases significantly with the increase of rewiring probability for real networks, whereas the change of complexity is not large for pairwise rewiring. This is because  $OdC$  is highly sensitive to degree relationship, but pairwise rewiring does not change the degree relationship. Also, the error bar for "dolphins" and "PDZBase" is large. This is simply because they are small networks, rewiring will make larger impact than larger graphs.

There is an exception in real networks; the UK train network performs similar to bus networks rather than real networks. As public transportation networks, single link rewiring will cause the complexity to increase. Generally, the increase of complexity becomes small after  $p = 0.4$ ; almost half of the links have been rewired. As shown in table 1,  $OdC$  complexities are very low for all the bus networks. As introduced by Clausen[18],  $OdC$  assign high complexity to graphs that have no preference for the degree of their neighbours. After destroying the degree correlation using single link rewiring, the  $OdC$  complexity will increase.

In contrast, pairwise rewiring will cause the complexity to decrease briefly like real networks, with similar reason.



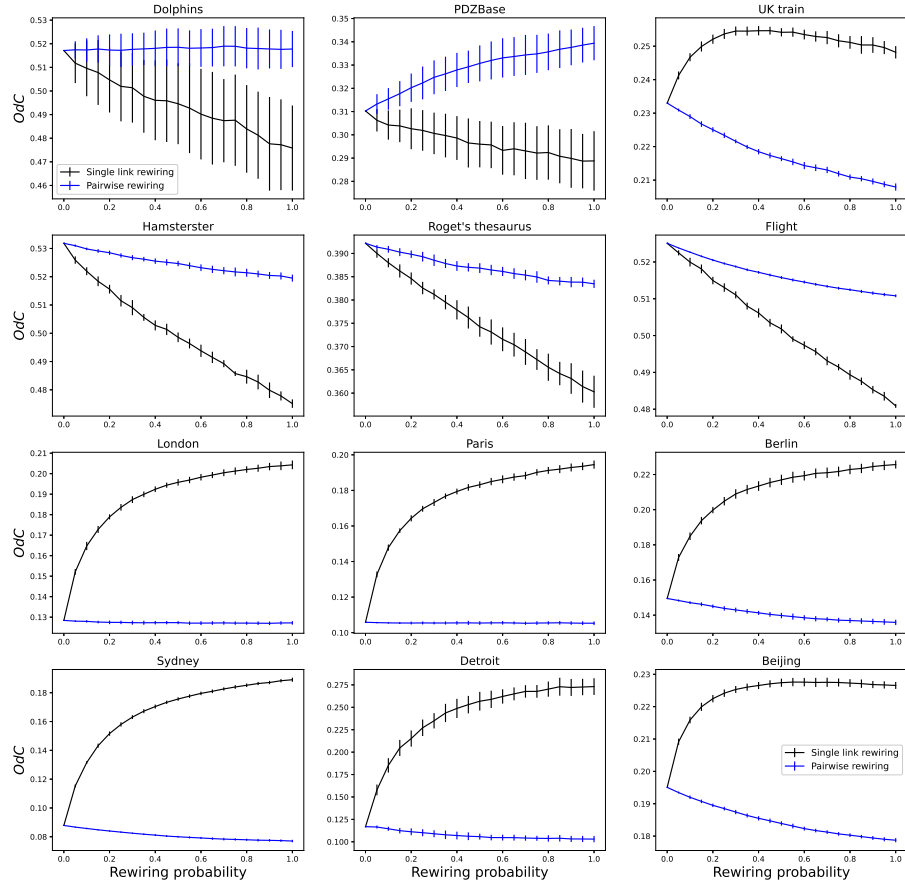


Figure 15: Change of  $OdC$  complexities respect to change of rewiring probability with an error bar(one standard deviation).

## 4 Conclusion and further study

In this thesis, we investigated and compared difference of complexity measures. Different complexity measure focuses on different properties and parameters of a graph. For example, different subgraph measures focusing on the general structure of subgraphs, leads to high complexity and not feasible to apply difference subgraph measures on large networks. In addition, the floating point arithmetic is imperfect when dealing with large numbers and decimals. On the other hand, product measures are fairly simple in terms of calculation time. Especially  $Cr$ , the easiest complexity measure, which can be calculated in  $O(n)$  time[16]. A drawback of product measures is that they are highly based on  $m$ , creating smaller difference than other complexity measures with fix  $m$  and  $n$ .  $OdC$  measure can distinguish random graphs and graphs generated using BA, WS and NW model, and within relatively small amount of time. However, the complexity value are spreaded. We suggest to use the measure that is most suitable, depending on which specific parameters or properties are most important in the problem.

Additionally, we constructed a new measure  $MA_{RI}$  based on the idea of  $MA_g$ .  $MA_{RI}$  assigns higher complexity to sparser graph than  $MA_g$ . To be noticed, to calculate  $MA_{RI}$ ,  $R_{clique}$  and  $I_{path}$  are not required, but  $m$  is involved in the calculation.

We also compare the difference between real networks and bus networks, and we investigated the unique property of bus networks: high average distance with low complexity, which is the opposite of a small-world network. This causes averagely lower complexities than other real networks.

There are more complexity measures [29][30] for further studies and researches. We encourage study and application of the measures on different type of graphs and monitor the behaviour of different complexity measures. Further studies on complexity measures could help the network science community to build a comprehensive, robust and applicable complexity measure which everyone can agree on.

An unexpected fact was observed: degree based measures( $OdC, MA_g, MA_{RI}$ ) generally assign relatively high complexity to very sparse graphs, except  $C_e$ . We are not sure whether this is a coincidence or not, but this can be a topic to further investigate.

Overall, we hope our result can stimulate more studies on network complexity measure. The definition of complexity is already difficult to be determined. A good complexity measure should be able to distinguish: random networks, small-world networks, scale-free networks and real networks. In addition, highest complexity to graphs with number of edges slightly less than the medium. Our work provides useful aspect and observation to build a optimal complexity measure in the future.

## A Redundancy and mutual information[16]

- Highest redundancy:  $R_{clique} = 2\ln(n-1)$
- Lowest redundancy:  $R_{path} = 2\left(\frac{n-2}{n-1}\right)\ln(2)$

- Highest mutual information:  $I_{path} = \ln(n-1) - (\frac{n-3}{n-1})\ln 2$
- Lowest mutual information:  $I_{clique} = \ln(\frac{n}{n-1})$

## B utilities.py

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import networkx as nx
import random
from random import randint
import pandas as pd
import numpy as np
import collections
from scipy.stats import pearsonr
from itertools import combinations_with_replacement
import math
from math import log
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt

#   Generates a list of graphs and their corresponding
#   parameter.
#   Notice the function will only return connected graphs
#   , disconnected graphs
#   will not be returned. Thus the actual number of
#   graphs returned will be less
#   than expected.
#   Parameters:
#   n: number of nodes
#   use_all_m: if this is true , then the function will
#   generates samples using all
#   the edge numbers * sample_number
#   sample_number: number of samples for each edge if
#   use_all_m = True
#   Otherwise the sample_number defines how many graphs
#   will be returned in total
def random_networks(n=7,use_all_m = True ,sample_number =
50):
    #   Create a list to record all the graphs
    graph_list = []
    #   Max number of edges.
    m = (n*(n-1))/2
    m = int(m)

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# Create a df to store relevant information
column_names = ["Number_of_edges", "Average_degree",
                "Average_distance",
                "Average_clustering"]

# Filling the df with zeros
if use_all_m == True:
    zero_list = [float(0)]*(sample_number*(m+1))
    df = pd.DataFrame(columns = column_names)
    for item in column_names:
        df[item] = zero_list
else:
    zero_list = [float(0)]*(sample_number)
    df = pd.DataFrame(columns = column_names)
    for item in column_names:
        df[item] = zero_list

# Creating graphs using different parameters
# count record the actual number of graphs
# generated by the function
count = 0
if use_all_m == True:
    for i in range(m+1):
        for j in range(sample_number):
            temp_graph = nx.gnm_random_graph(n, i)
            if nx.is_connected(temp_graph):
                graph_list.append(temp_graph)
                df["Number_of_edges"][count] = i
                df["Average_degree"][count] = (2*i)/
                    n
                df["Average_clustering"][count] = nx.
                    average_clustering(temp_graph)
                df["Average_distance"][count] = nx.
                    average_shortest_path_length(
                        temp_graph)
                count +=1
else:
    for i in range(sample_number):
        edge_number = randint(0,m)
        temp_graph=nx.gnm_random_graph(n, edge_number)
        if nx.is_connected(temp_graph):
            graph_list.append(temp_graph)
            df["Number_of_edges"][count] =

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        edge_number
    df["Average_degree"][count] = (2*
        edge_number)/n
    df["Average_clustering"][count] = nx.
        average_clustering(temp_graph)
    df["Average_distance"][count] = nx.
        average_shortest_path_length(
            temp_graph)
    count +=1
return graph_list,df

# Return a list of subgraphs of the graph G by taking
an edge off the graph

def subgraph_one_edge_deletion(G):
    subgraphs = []
    for edge in list(G.edges):
        temp_graph = G.copy()
        temp_graph.remove_edge(edge[0],edge[1])
        subgraphs.append(temp_graph)
    return subgraphs

# Return the number of spanning trees of a graph.
# This calculation is based on the Kirchhoffs theorem,
which is:
# number of ST = det(reduced Laplacian matrix)
# A reduced Laplacian matrix is the Laplacian matrix
with
# a random row i and column i to be removed
def number_of_ST(G):
    L = nx.laplacian_matrix(G)
    L = L.todense()
    remove_i = randint(0,L.shape[0]-1)
    L = np.delete(L,remove_i,0)
    L = np.delete(L,remove_i,1)
    sign ,det = np.linalg.slogdet(L)
    det = sign * math.exp(det)
    det = int(det)
    return det

# Return number of isomorphic subgraphs of a graph

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# After taking all the one-edge-deletion subgraphs,
# investigates the number of different ST will remove
isomorphic subgraphs
def isomorphic_graphs(G):
    subgraphs = subgraph_one_edge_deletion(G)
    ST_result = []
    for graph in subgraphs:
        ST_result.append(number_of_ST(graph))
    unique_ST = []
    unique_subgraphs = []
    ST_result = [str(item)[:10] for item in ST_result]
    for i in range(len(subgraphs)):
        if ST_result[i] not in unique_ST:
            unique_subgraphs.append(subgraphs[i])
            unique_ST.append(ST_result[i])
    return unique_ST

# Generates a list of BA random graphs
# Parameters:
# n = number of nodes
# sample_number = Number of samples
def BA_random_graphs(n, sample_number):
    graphs = []
    for i in range(sample_number):
        m=randint(1,n-1)
        temp_graph = nx.barabasi_albert_graph(n,m)
        if nx.is_connected(temp_graph):
            graphs.append(temp_graph)
    return graphs

# Generates a list of WS random graphs
# Parameters:
# n = number of nodes
# sample_number = Number of samples
def WS_random_graphs(n, sample_number):
    graphs = []
    for i in range(sample_number):
        p= random.uniform(0.001,0.1)
        k= random.randint(2,n)
        graphs.append(nx.watts_strogatz_graph(n,k,p))
    return graphs

# Generates a list of NS random graphs

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# Parameters:
# n = number of nodes
# sample_number = Number of samples
def NW_random_graphs(n, sample_number):
    graphs = []
    for i in range(sample_number):
        p= random.uniform(0.001,0.1)
        k= random.randint(2,n)
        graphs.append(nx.newman_watts_strogatz_graph(n,k,
            p))
    return graphs

# Return a list of subgraphs by taking two edges off
# from the graph
def subgraph_two_edge_deletion(G):
    subgraphs = []
    remove_edges = np.linspace(0, len(G.edges)-1, len(G.
        edges))
    remove_edge_product = combinations_with_replacement(
        remove_edges,2)
    remove_edge_tuple = []
    for x in remove_edge_product:
        remove_edge_tuple.append(x)
    remove_edge_final = []
    for i in range(len(remove_edge_tuple)):
        if remove_edge_tuple[i][0]!= remove_edge_tuple[i
            ][1]:
            remove_edge_final.append(remove_edge_tuple[i
                ])

    subgraphs = []
    edge_list = list(G.edges)
    for i in range(len(remove_edge_final)):
        temp_graph = nx.Graph(G)
        edge1 = remove_edge_final[i][0]
        edge1 = int(edge1)
        edge2 = remove_edge_final[i][1]
        edge2 = int(edge2)
        edge1_loc = edge_list[edge1]
        edge2_loc = edge_list[edge2]
        temp_graph.remove_edge(edge1_loc[0], edge1_loc[1])
        temp_graph.remove_edge(edge2_loc[0], edge2_loc[1])
        subgraphs.append(temp_graph)

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    return subgraphs

# Check whether a network is empty(no edges)
def empty_check(G):
    if len(G.nodes()) == 0 or len(G.edges())==0:
        return True
    else:
        return False

# Convert a dataframe to a network
def df_to_network(df):
    source = [row[0] for index ,row in df.iterrows()]
    target = [row[1] for index ,row in df.iterrows()]
    G = nx.Graph()
    [G.add_edge(item1 ,item2) for item1 ,item2 in zip(
        source ,target)]
    return G

# Finding the giant component of a network
def gcc(G):
    Gcc = sorted(nx.connected_components(G) , key=len ,
        reverse=True)
    G0 = G.subgraph(Gcc[0])
    return G0

# Plotting the degree distribution of a graph
def plot_deg_dist(G):
    degree_sequence = sorted([d for n, d in G.degree()],
        reverse = True)
    degreeCount = collections.Counter(degree_sequence)
    deg, cnt = zip(*degreeCount.items())
    deg = list(deg)
    cnt = list(cnt)
    plt.bar(deg,cnt)
    return 0

# Convert a NetworkX graph object to a dataframe
def network_to_df(G):
    edges = list(G.edges())
    source = [item[0] for item in edges]
    target = [item[1] for item in edges]
    df = pd.DataFrame(data = {"source":source ,"target":
        target})

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    return df

# Rewire the network G with given probability prob,
# using pairwise rewiring
def pairwise_rewiring(G, prob):
    rewire_number = int(prob*len(G.edges))
    G1 = G.copy()
    c = 0
    while c != rewire_number:
        edges = list(G1.edges())
        rewire_edges = random.sample(edges, 2)
        source1 = rewire_edges[0][0]
        source2 = rewire_edges[1][0]
        target1 = rewire_edges[0][1]
        target2 = rewire_edges[1][1]
        if len(set([source1, source2, target1, target2]))
            ==4:
            if not G1.has_edge(source1, target2) and not
                G1.has_edge(source2, target1):
                G1.remove_edge(source1, target1)
                G1.remove_edge(source2, target2)
                G1.add_edge(source1, target2)
                G1.add_edge(source2, target1)
                if nx.is_connected(G1):
                    c = c+1
            else:
                G1.add_edge(source1, target1)
                G1.add_edge(source2, target2)
                G1.remove_edge(source1, target2)
                G1.remove_edge(source2, target1)
    return G1

# Rewire the network G with given probability prob,
# using single link rewiring
def single_link_rewiring(G, prob):
    G1 = G.copy()
    rewire_number = int(prob * len(G1.edges))
    for i in range(rewire_number):
        flag = 0
        while flag ==0:
            source = random.choice(list(G1.nodes()))
            neighbors = list(G1.neighbors(source))
            remove_neighbor = random.choice(neighbors)

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        G1.remove_edge(source, remove_neighbor)
        if not nx.is_connected(G1):
            G1.add_edge(source, remove_neighbor)
        else:
            options = set(list(G1.nodes)) - set(list(
                G1.neighbors(source))) - set([source,
                remove_neighbor])
            rewire_to = random.choice(list(options))
            G1.add_edge(source, rewire_to)
            flag = 1
    return G1

# Calculates the mutual information of a graph
def mutual_info(G):
    edges = list(G.edges)
    m = len(edges)
    I = 0
    for item in edges:
        d0 = len(list(G.neighbors(item[0])))
        d1 = len(list(G.neighbors(item[1])))
        I = I + log(2*m/(d0*d1))
    return I/m

# Calculates the redundancy of a graph
def redundancy(G):
    edges = list(G.edges)
    m = len(edges)
    R = 0
    for item in edges:
        d0 = len(list(G.neighbors(item[0])))
        d1 = len(list(G.neighbors(item[1])))
        R = R + log((d0*d1))
    return R/m

# Return the complement of a graph
def complement_graph(G):
    edges = list(G.edges)
    nodes = list(G.nodes)
    product_list=[]
    for i in range(len(nodes)):
        for j in range(i+1, len(nodes)):
            product_list.append((nodes[i], nodes[j]))
    complement = list(set(product_list)-set(edges))

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new_G = nx.Graph()
for item in complement:
    new_G.add_edge(item[0], item[1])
if len(G.nodes) == len(new_G.nodes):
    if nx.is_connected(new_G):
        return new_G
return None

# Calculate the L_r of a graph (average distance of a
# random graph with given m and n)
def lr(G):
    n = len(G.nodes)
    k = 2 * len(G.edges) / n
    return log(n) / log(k)

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## C Complexity.py

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import numpy as np
import networkx as nx
from math import cos, pi, log
import utilities as ut
from scipy.linalg import eig
import math

# All complexity measure have an optional parameter-
# normalisation
# If normalisation = True (true by default), the
# normalised value will be returned
# Otherwise, the unnormalized form will be returned

# Calculates OdC Complexity of a graph
def OdC(G, normalisation = True):
    if ut.empty_check(G) == True:
        return 0
    else:
        # Create a degree correlation matrix, using the
        # max degree
        degree_sequence = sorted([d for n, d in G.degree
            ()], reverse=True)
        max_degree = max(degree_sequence)
        degree_correlation = np.zeros((max_degree,

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max_degree))

#Building the correlation matrix
for node in list(G.nodes):
    #An array to store all the neighbors degrees
    neighbors_degree = []
    #Getting the degree of the current node
    node_degree = G.degree(node)
    #Stating all neighbors and finding their degrees
    neighbors = list(G.neighbors(node))
    neighbors_degrees_tuple=G.degree(neighbors)
    for item in neighbors_degrees_tuple:
        neighbors_degree.append(item[1])
    #For every occurence, adding one to the matrix
    for item in neighbors_degree:
        if node_degree<=item:
            degree_correlation[node_degree-1,item-1] +=1

#Calculating a_k
a_k=[]
for i in range(max_degree):
    a_k.append(sum(degree_correlation[i]))
A = sum(a_k)
if A !=0:
    for i in range(len(a_k)):
        a_k[i]=a_k[i]/A

#Calculating the complexity
complexity = 0
for item in a_k:
    complexity -= item*ln(item)

#Normalisation
if normalisation == True:
    complexity = complexity/(ln(len(G.nodes)-1))
return complexity

# Calculates ln(x), if x=0, return 0
def ln(x):
    if x == 0:

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        return 0
    else:
        return np.log(x)

# Calculates Cr complexity of a graph
def Cr(G, normalisation = True):
    if ut.empty_check(G) == True:
        return 0
    else:
        if not nx.is_connected(G):
            return 0
        adj_matrix = nx.adjacency_matrix(G)
        adj_matrix = adj_matrix.todense()
        eigenvalues, eigenvectors = np.linalg.eig(
            adj_matrix)
        r = max(eigenvalues)
        r = r.real
        if normalisation == True:
            n = len(G.nodes)
            c_r_numerator = r-2 * cos(pi/(n+1))
            c_r_denominator = n-1-2*cos(pi/(n+1))
            c_r = c_r_numerator/c_r_denominator
            Cr_complexity = 4*c_r*(1-c_r)
            return Cr_complexity
        else:
            return r

# Calculates Ce complexity of a graph
def Ce(G, normalisation = True):
    if not nx.is_connected(G):
        return 0
    if ut.empty_check(G):
        return -1
    else:
        E = 0
        nodes = list(G.nodes())
        n=len(nodes)
        for i in range(n):
            for j in range(i+1, n):
                E = E + 1/nx.shortest_path_length(G, nodes
                    [i], nodes[j])
        E = 2* E /((n)*(n-1))
        if normalisation ==True:

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        E_path = 0
        for i in range(1,n):
            E_path = E_path + (n-i)/i
            E_path = E_path * 2/((n)*(n-1))
            Ce = 4*(E-E_path)/(1-E_path)*(1- (E-E_path)
                /(1-E_path))
            return Ce
    else:
        return E

# Calculates  $C_{\{le, st\}}$  complexity of a graph
def Cllest(G,normalisation = True):
    n = len(G.nodes)
    mcu = n**1.68-10
    subgraphs = ut.subgraph_one_edge_deletion(G)
    st = []
    for item in subgraphs:
        L = nx.laplacian_matrix(item).toarray()
        L = np.delete(L,0,axis=0)
        L = np.delete(L,0,axis=1)
        _,logdet = np.linalg.slogdet(L)
        det = math.exp(logdet)
        det = int(det)
        det = round(det,10)
        if det not in st:
            st.append(det)
    Nlest = len(st)
    if normalisation == False:
        return Nlest
    else:
        return (Nlest-1)/(mcu-1)

# Calculates  $C_{\{le, spec\}}$  complexity of a graph
def Clespec(G,normalisation =True):
    subgraphs = ut.subgraph_one_edge_deletion(G)
    spectra = []; spectra_s = []
    mcu = len(G.nodes())**1.68-10
    for i in range(len(subgraphs)):
        L = nx.laplacian_matrix(subgraphs[i]).todense()
        A = nx.adjacency_matrix(subgraphs[i]).todense()

        eig_values, _ = eig(L)
        eig_values = eig_values.real

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    eig_values = sorted(eig_values)
    eig_values = [round(item,10) for item in
                  eig_values]

    L = L + A + A
    eig_values_s, _ = eig(L)
    eig_values_s = eig_values_s.real
    eig_values_s = sorted(eig_values_s)
    eig_values_s = [round(item,10) for item in
                    eig_values_s]

    if eig_values not in spectra and eig_values_s not
        in spectra_s:
        spectra.append(eig_values)
        spectra_s.append(eig_values_s)

    Nlespec = len(spectra)
    if normalisation == False:
        return Nlespec
    else:
        return (Nlespec-1)/(mcu-1)

# Calculates  $C_{\{2e, spec\}}$  complexity of a graph
def C2espec(G, normalisation=True):
    n = len(G.nodes)
    remove_edges = []
    for i in range(n):
        neighbours = list(G.neighbors(i))
        for item in neighbours:
            if item < i:
                remove_edges.append([i, item])

    products = []
    for i in range(len(remove_edges)):
        for j in range(i+1, len(remove_edges)):
            products.append([remove_edges[i], remove_edges
                             [j]])

    subgraphs = []
    for item in products:
        temp_G = G.copy()
        temp_G.remove_edge(item[0][0], item[0][1])

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temp_G.remove_edge(item[1][0], item[1][1])
subgraphs.append(temp_G)

spectra = []; spectra_s = []
mcu = len(G.nodes())**1.68-10
for i in range(len(subgraphs)):
    L = nx.laplacian_matrix(subgraphs[i]).todense()
    A = nx.adjacency_matrix(subgraphs[i]).todense()

    eig_values, _ = eig(L)
    eig_values = eig_values.real
    eig_values = sorted(eig_values)
    eig_values = [round(item,10) for item in
                  eig_values]

    L = L + A + A
    eig_values_s, _ = eig(L)
    eig_values_s = eig_values_s.real
    eig_values_s = sorted(eig_values_s)
    eig_values_s = [round(item,10) for item in
                   eig_values_s]

    if eig_values not in spectra and eig_values_s not
       in spectra_s:
        spectra.append(eig_values)
        spectra_s.append(eig_values_s)

N2espec = len(spectra)
if normalisation == False:
    return N2espec
else:
    C2espec = (N2espec - 1)/(math.comb(int(mcu),2))
    return C2espec

# Calculates  $MA_{\{g\}}$  of a graph
# Using function mutual_info and redundancy from
# utilities to calculate I and R
def MAg(G, normalisation = True):
    n = len(G.nodes)
    R = ut.redundancy(G)
    I = ut.mutual_info(G)
    R_p = 2*(n-2)/(n-1)*log(2)
    R_c = 2*log(n-1)

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I_p = log(n-1)-((n-3)/(n-1))*log(2)
I_c = log((n)/(n-1))
MAr = 4*((R-R_p)/(R_c - R_p))*(1 - (R-R_p)/(R_c-R_p))
MAi = 4*((I-I_c)/(I_p-I_c))*(1-(I-I_c)/(I_p-I_c))
if normalisation == True:
    return MAr * MAi
else:
    return R*I
MAr = 4*((R-R_p)/(R_c - R_p))*(1 - (R-R_p)/(R_c-R_p))
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if normalisation == True:
    return MAr * MAi
else:
    return R*I
#   Calcualtes MA_{RI} complexity of a graph
#   Using function mutual_info and redundancy from
#   utilities to calcualte I and R
def MAri(G, normalisation=True):
    n = len(G.nodes)
    R = ut.redundancy(G)
    I = ut.mutual_info(G)
    R_p = 2*log(2)*(n-2)/(n-1)
    R_c = 2*log(n-1)
    I_p = log(n-1)-log(2)*(n-3)/(n-1)
    I_c = log(n/(n-1))
    m=len(G.edges)
    numerator_1 = (R-R_p)
    numerator_2 = (I-I_c)
    denominator = 0.25*(log(2*m)-R_p-I_c)**2
    if normalisation == True:
        return numerator_1*numerator_2/denominator
    else:
        return R*I

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D figure\_generator.py

# Following codes generate figure 9:

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import networkx as nx
import utilities as ut
import Complexity as cx
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt

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import utilities as ut
import numpy as np
import matplotlib as mpl
from math import log
import pandas as pd
import collections

# Following codes generate figure 7:

n=15
graphs, df = ut.random_networks(n, False, 1000)
c1est = [cx.C1est(g) for g in graphs]
c1espec = [cx.C1espec(g) for g in graphs]
c2espec = [cx.C2espec(g) for g in graphs]
fig, axes = plt.subplots(1, 3, figsize = ([15, 5]))
axes[0].scatter(df["Number_of_edges"], c1est, s=10, color =
    "black")
axes[1].scatter(df["Number_of_edges"], c1espec, s=10, color
    = "black")
axes[2].scatter(df["Number_of_edges"], c2espec, s=10, color
    = "black")
for item in axes:
    item.set_yticks([0, 0.5, 1, 1.5])
    item.set_xlabel("m", fontsize = 18)
axes[0].set_ylabel("$C1e, st$", fontsize= 18)
axes[1].set_ylabel("$C1e, spec$", fontsize= 18)
axes[2].set_ylabel("$C2e, spec$", fontsize= 18)
fig.savefig("figures/subgraph_measures.eps", format="eps")

# Following codes generate figure 8:

n = [6, 7, 8]
c2graphs= []; dfs= []
for item in n:
    g, d = ut.random_networks(item, True, 50)
    c2graphs.append(g); dfs.append(d)
c2especs = []
for item in c2graphs:
    temp_result = [cx.C2espec(g) for g in item]
    c2especs.append(temp_result)
fig, axes = plt.subplots(1, 3, figsize = (15, 5))
for i in range(len(n)):
    axes[i].scatter(dfs[i]["Number_of_edges"], c2especs[i
        ], s=10, color = "black")

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        axes[i].set_yticks([0,0.5,1])
        axes[i].set_title("n="+str(n[i]), fontsize= 18)
        axes[i].set_xlabel("m", fontsize= 18)
axes[0].set_ylabel("$C_{1e,st}$", fontsize= 18)
axes[1].set_ylabel("$C_{1e,spec}$", fontsize= 18)
axes[2].set_ylabel("$C_{2e,spec}$", fontsize= 18)
fig.savefig("figures/c2espec.eps", format="eps")

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# Following codes generate figure 4:

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plt.figure(figsize=(15,10))
plt.subplot(2,3,1)
nx.draw_circular(nx.watts_strogatz_graph(20,4,0),
    node_size=100)
plt.title("p=0", fontsize= 18)
plt.subplot(2,3,2)
nx.draw_circular(nx.watts_strogatz_graph(20,4,0.1),
    node_size=100)
plt.title("p=0.1", fontsize= 18)
plt.subplot(2,3,3)
nx.draw_circular(nx.watts_strogatz_graph(20,4,0.5),
    node_size=100)
plt.title("p=0.5", fontsize= 18)

plt.subplot(2,3,4)
nx.draw_circular(nx.newman_watts_strogatz_graph(20,4,0),
    node_size=100)
plt.title("p=0", fontsize= 18)
plt.subplot(2,3,5)
nx.draw_circular(nx.newman_watts_strogatz_graph(20,4,0.1),
    node_size=100)
plt.title("p=0.1", fontsize= 18)
plt.subplot(2,3,6)
nx.draw_circular(nx.newman_watts_strogatz_graph(20,4,0.5),
    node_size=100)
plt.title("p=0.5", fontsize= 18)
plt.savefig("figures/small_world_network_model.eps",
    format = "eps")

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# Following codes generate figure 5:

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def degree_distribution(G):
    degree_sequence = sorted([d for n, d in G.degree()],
        reverse = True)

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    degreeCount = collections.Counter(degree_sequence)
    deg, cnt = zip(*degreeCount.items())
    deg = list(deg)
    cnt = list(cnt)
    return deg, cnt
plt.figure(figsize=(15,6))
plt.subplot(1,2,1)
G = nx.gnm_random_graph(1000,5000)
deg,cnt = degree_distribution(G)
cnt = [item/1000 for item in cnt]
plt.plot(deg,cnt,color="black",label="$G(n,m)$-model")

G = nx.barabasi_albert_graph(1000,5)
deg1,cnt1 = degree_distribution(G,)
cnt1 = [item/1000 for item in cnt1]
plt.plot(deg1,cnt1,'--',color="black",label="Barabasi
-Albert-model")
plt.legend(fontsize=12)
plt.scatter(deg,cnt,color="black",marker="x")
plt.scatter(deg1,cnt1,color="black")
plt.xlabel("Degree",fontsize=18)
plt.ylabel("Probability",fontsize=18)
plt.title("Degree-distribution",fontsize=15)

plt.subplot(1,2,2)
log_deg = [log(item) for item in deg]; log_cnt = [log(item)
for item in cnt]
log_deg1 = [log(item) for item in deg1]; log_cnt1 = [log(
item) for item in cnt1]
plt.scatter(log_deg,log_cnt,marker="x",color="grey",s
=15,label="$G(n,m)$-model")
plt.scatter(log_deg1,log_cnt1,marker="o",color="black",s=15,
label="Barabasi-Albert-model")
plt.legend(fontsize=12)
plt.title("Log-log-plot-of-the-degree-distribution")
plt.savefig("figures/degree_distribution.eps",format="
eps")

# Following codes generate figure 6:
n = 20
graphs, df = ut.random_networks(n, False, 1000)
mari = [cx.MAri(g) for g in graphs]

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mag = [cx.MAg(g) for g in graphs]
plt.figure()
plt.scatter(df["Number_of_edges"], mari, label = "$MA_{RI}$",
            color = "black", marker = "o", s=10)
plt.scatter(df["Number_of_edges"], mag, label = "$MA_{g}$",
            color = "grey", marker = "x", s=10)
plt.legend(fontsize=12)
plt.xlabel("m", fontsize= 18)
plt.ylabel("Complexity", fontsize= 18)
plt.savefig("figures/mariandmag.eps", format="eps")

methods = ["C1est", "C1espec", "C2espec", "OdC", "MAg", "MAri",
            "Cr", "Ce"]
#Generates random graphs and data
n=7
graphs, df = ut.random_networks(n=n, use_all_m = True,
                                sample_number = 50)
#Find the complexities of the graphs
results = []
for item in methods:
    method = getattr(cx, item)
    temp_result = [method(g) for g in graphs]
    results.append(temp_result)
c=0
fig, axes = plt.subplots(4, 2, figsize = (10, 16))
xticks = np.linspace(n-1, n*(n-1)/2, 5)
xticks = [int(item) for item in xticks]
for i in range(4):
    for j in range(2):
        axes[i][j].scatter(df["Number_of_edges"], results[
            c], s=10, color = "black")
        axes[i][j].set_yticks([0, 0.5, 1])
        axes[i][j].set_xticks(xticks)
        axes[i][j].set_xlabel("m", fontsize = 18)
        axes[i][j].set_ylabel("$"+methods[c]+"$", fontsize
                               = 18)
        c+=1
axes[0][0].set_ylabel("$C_{1e, st}$", fontsize= 18)
axes[0][1].set_ylabel("$C_{1e, spec}$", fontsize= 18)
axes[1][0].set_ylabel("$C_{2e, spec}$", fontsize= 18)
plt.savefig("figures/complexities.eps", format="eps")
plt.show()

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# Following codes generate figure 12:

```
n=25
corr_use_graphs ,df = ut.random_networks(n,False,1000)
corr_results = []
corr_results.append([cx.Clest(g) for g in corr_use_graphs
])
corr_results.append([cx.OdC(g) for g in corr_use_graphs])
corr_results.append([cx.MAri(g) for g in corr_use_graphs
])

corr_use_BA = ut.BA_random_graphs(n,200)
corr_results_BA = []
corr_results_BA.append([cx.Clest(g) for g in corr_use_BA
])
corr_results_BA.append([cx.OdC(g) for g in corr_use_BA])
corr_results_BA.append([cx.MAri(g) for g in corr_use_BA])

plt.figure(figsize=(22,7))
plt.subplot(1,3,1)
plt.scatter(corr_results[0],
            corr_results[1],
            s=15,c = df["Number_of_edges"],cmap = "
            binary",label = "$G(n,m)$-random-
            graphs")
plt.scatter(corr_results_BA[0],corr_results_BA[1],color="
            black",marker = "x",label = "BA_Graphs")
plt.xlabel("$C_{le,st}$",fontsize = 20);plt.ylabel("$OdC$
            ",fontsize = 20);

plt.subplot(1,3,2)
plt.scatter(corr_results[0],
            corr_results[2],
            s=15,c = df["Number_of_edges"],cmap = "
            binary",label = "$G(n,m)$-random-
            graphs")
plt.scatter(corr_results_BA[0],corr_results_BA[2],color="
            black",marker = "x",label = "BA_Graphs")
plt.xlabel("$C_{le,st}$",fontsize = 20);plt.ylabel("
            $MAri$",fontsize = 20);
plt.legend(fontsize = 15)
plt.subplot(1,3,3)
plt.scatter(corr_results[1],
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        corr_results[2],
        s=15,c = df["Number_of_edges"],cmap = "
        binary",label = "$G(n,m)$-random-
        graphs")
plt.colorbar()
plt.scatter(corr_results_BA[1],corr_results_BA[2],color="
        black",marker = "x",label = "BA-Graphs")
plt.xlabel("$OdC$",fontsize = 20);plt.ylabel("$MAri$",
        fontsize = 20);

plt.savefig("figures/complexity_correlation.eps",format =
        "eps")

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# Following codes generate figure 10:

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#Generates special random graphs
n = 20
randoms ,random_df = ut.random_networks(n,False,500)
BA_graphs = ut.BA_random_graphs(n=n,sample_number = 100)
WS_graphs = ut.WS_random_graphs(n=n,sample_number = 100)
NW_graphs = ut.NW_random_graphs(n=n,sample_number = 100)
#Calculates the complexity of special random graphs
rd_result = []
for item in methods:
    method = getattr(cx,item)
    temp_result = [method(g) for g in randoms]
    rd_result.append(temp_result)
BA_result = []
for item in methods:
    method = getattr(cx,item)
    temp_result = [method(g) for g in BA_graphs]
    BA_result.append(temp_result)

WS_result = []
for item in methods:
    method = getattr(cx,item)
    temp_result = [method(g) for g in WS_graphs]
    WS_result.append(temp_result)

NW_result = []
for item in methods:
    method = getattr(cx,item)
    temp_result = [method(g) for g in NW_graphs]

```

```

        NW_result.append(temp_result)
# Calculates the complexities of special graphs
n=20
c=0
fig, axes = plt.subplots(4,2,figsize = (10,16))
xticks = np.linspace(n-1,n*(n-1)/2,5)
xticks = [int(item) for item in xticks]
for i in range(4):
    for j in range(2):
        axes[i][j].scatter([len(g.edges) for g in randoms
            ],rd_result[c],s=15,color = "black",alpha =
            0.7,label = "$G(n,m)$")
        axes[i][j].scatter([len(g.edges) for g in
            BA_graphs],BA_result[c],s=15,color = "green",
            label = "BA")
        axes[i][j].scatter([len(g.edges) for g in
            WS_graphs],WS_result[c],marker = "x",s=15,
            color = "red",label = "WS")
        axes[i][j].scatter([len(g.edges) for g in
            NW_graphs],NW_result[c],marker = "s",s=15,
            color = "blue",label = "NW")
        axes[i][j].set_yticks([0,0.5,1])
        axes[i][j].set_ylabel("$"+methods[c]+"$",fontsize
            = 20)
        axes[i][j].set_xlabel("m",fontsize = 20)
        axes[i][j].set_xticks(xticks)
        c+=1
axes[0][0].set_ylabel("$C_{1e,st}$")
axes[0][1].set_ylabel("$C_{1e,spec}$")
axes[1][0].set_ylabel("$C_{2e,spec}$")
axes[0][0].legend()
plt.legend(fontsize = 12)
plt.savefig("figures/complexities_sp.eps",format="eps")
plt.show()

```

# Following codes generate figure 13:

```

#Analyse Complement graphs complexity
graphs, df = ut.random_networks(25,False,1000)
BA_graphs = ut.BA_random_graphs(25, 100)
complement_graphs = [ut.complement_graph(g) for g in
    graphs]
c = []

```



```

g = []
edges = []
for i in range(len(complement_graphs)):
    if complement_graphs[i] !=None:
        c.append(complement_graphs[i])
        g.append(graphs[i])
        edges.append(df["Number_of_edges"][i])

BA_comp = [ut.complement_graph(g) for g in BA_graphs]
ba_c = []
ba_g = []
for i in range(len(BA_comp)):
    if BA_comp[i] !=None:
        ba_c.append(BA_comp[i])
        ba_g.append(BA_graphs[i])
results1 = [cx.OdC(item) for item in g]
results_c = [cx.OdC(g) for g in c]
ba_result = [cx.OdC(g) for g in ba_c]
ba_result_c = [cx.OdC(g) for g in ba_g]

results2 = [cx.MAri(item) for item in g]
results_c_1 = [cx.MAri(g) for g in c]
ba_result_1 = [cx.MAri(g) for g in ba_c]
ba_result_c_1 = [cx.MAri(g) for g in ba_g]

results3 = [cx.Clest(item) for item in g]
results_c_2 = [cx.Clest(g) for g in c]
ba_result_2 = [cx.Clest(g) for g in ba_c]
ba_result_c_2 = [cx.Clest(g) for g in ba_g]

plt.figure(figsize = (18,5))
plt.subplot(1,3,1)
plt.scatter(results1 ,results_c ,c = edges ,cmap="gray",
            label = "$G(n,m)$ random graphs")
plt.colorbar()
plt.scatter(ba_result ,ba_result_c ,marker = "x",label = "
            BA_graphs")
plt.xlabel("$OdC$ of original graph",fontsize = 20)
plt.ylabel("$OdC$ of complement graph",fontsize = 20)
plt.xticks([0,0.5,1])
plt.yticks([0,0.5,1])
plt.legend(fontsize = 12)

```

```

plt.subplot(1,3,2)
plt.scatter(results2 , results_c_1 , c = edges , cmap="gray" ,
    label = "$G(n,m)$ random graphs")
plt.colorbar()
plt.scatter(ba_result_1 , ba_result_c_1 , marker = "x" , label
    = "BA graphs")
plt.xlabel("$M_{Ari}$ of original graph", fontsize = 20)
plt.ylabel("$M_{Ari}$ of complement graph", fontsize = 20)
plt.xticks([0,0.5,1])
plt.yticks([0,0.5,1])

plt.subplot(1,3,3)
plt.scatter(results3 , results_c_2 , c = edges , cmap="gray" ,
    label = "$G(n,m)$ random graphs")
plt.colorbar()
plt.scatter(ba_result_2 , ba_result_c_2 , marker = "x" , label
    = "BA graphs")
plt.xlabel("$C_{le,st}$ of original graph", fontsize = 20)
plt.ylabel("$C_{le,st}$ of complement graph", fontsize =
    20)
plt.xticks([0,0.5,1])
plt.yticks([0,0.5,1])
plt.legend(fontsize = 12)
plt.savefig("figures/complement.eps", format="eps")

```

# Following codes generate figure 14. Used graphs' descriptions can be found in table 1:

```

index = ["dolphins", "pdzbase", "hamsterster", "Roget", "
    flight", "GBPT_train"]
index_bus = ["london", "paris", "berlin", "sydney", "detroit",
    "beijing"]
load_path = ["real_networks/processed/"+item+".csv" for
    item in index]
load_path_bus = ["bus/processed/"+item+".csv" for item in
    index_bus]
load_path_bus_m = ["bus/modified/m_"+item+".csv" for item
    in index_bus]
graphs = [ut.df_to_network(pd.read_csv(item)) for item in
    load_path]
bus = [ut.df_to_network(pd.read_csv(item)) for item in
    load_path_bus]
bus_m = [ut.df_to_network(pd.read_csv(item)) for item in

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```

load_path_bus_m]
l = [nx.average_shortest_path_length(g) for g in graphs]
l_bus = [nx.average_shortest_path_length(g) for g in bus]
l_bus_m = [nx.average_shortest_path_length(g) for g in
bus_m]
lr = [ut.lr(g) for g in graphs]
lr_bus = [ut.lr(g) for g in bus]
lr_bus_m = [ut.lr(g) for g in bus_m]
result_g = [cx.MAri(g) for g in graphs]
result_bus = [cx.MAri(g) for g in bus]
result_bus_m = [cx.MAri(g) for g in bus_m]
generated_graphs = [
    nx.gnm_random_graph(875,4000) ,
    nx.watts_strogatz_graph(875,10,0.05) ,
    nx.newman_watts_strogatz_graph(875,9,0.05) ,
    nx.barabasi_albert_graph(1000,4)
]
l_gg_ratio =[]
for i in range(len(generated_graphs)):
    l_gg_ratio.append(nx.average_shortest_path_length(
        generated_graphs[i])/ut.lr(generated_graphs[i]))
gg_result = [cx.MAri(item) for item in generated_graphs]
plt.figure(figsize=(16,8))
l_ratio = [item0/item1 for item0,item1 in zip(l,lr)]
l_ratio_bus = [item0/item1 for item0,item1 in zip(l_bus ,
lr_bus)]
l_ratio_bus_m = [item0/item1 for item0,item1 in zip(
l_bus_m ,lr_bus_m)]
plt.scatter(l_ratio ,result_g ,color = "black",s=50,label =
"Real_networks")
plt.scatter(l_ratio_bus ,result_bus ,color = "red",s=50,
marker = "x",label ="Bus_networks")
plt.scatter(l_ratio_bus_m ,result_bus_m ,color = "blue",
marker = "^",s=50,label = "Modified_bus_networks")
plt.scatter(l_gg_ratio ,gg_result ,color = "green",marker =
"s",s=50,label = "Generated_graphs")
plt.legend(fontsize = 15)
plt.xlabel("$L/L_r$",fontsize = 20)
plt.ylabel("$MAri$",fontsize = 20)
plt.yticks([0,0.25,0.5,0.75,1])

for i in range(len(index)):
    if i !=1:

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```

        plt.annotate(str(i+1),(l_ratio[i]+0.02,result_g[i]
            +0.02),fontsize= 15,color = "grey")
for i in range(len(index)):
    plt.annotate(str(i+7),(l_ratio_bus[i]+0.02,result_bus
        [i]+0.02),fontsize= 15,color = "grey")
for i in range(len(index)):
    plt.annotate(str(i+13),(l_ratio_bus_m[i]+0.02,
        result_bus_m[i]+0.02),fontsize= 15,color = "grey")
for i in range(len(generated_graphs)):
    plt.annotate(str(i+19),(l_gg_ratio[i]+0.02,gg_result[
        i]+0.02),fontsize= 15,color = "grey")
plt.annotate("2",(1,0.275),fontsize=15,color="grey")
plt.savefig("figures/real_networks.eps",format = "eps")

```

## E rewiring\_simulation.py

This file is used to simulate both rewiring introduced in section 1.3, and generate figure 15:

```

import utilities as ut
import Complexity as cx
import pandas as pd
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
import numpy as np
class rewiring():
    def __init__(self,name,bus=False,step_prob = 0.05):
        self.name = name
        self.bus = bus
        self.load_network()
        self.step_prob = step_prob
        self.rewired_G = self.G.copy()
        self.result = []
        self.s_n=0
        self.p_n=0
        self.load_result("S")
        self.load_result("P")

    #Load all the networks
    def load_network(self):
        if self.bus == False:
            load_path = "real_networks/processed/"+self.
                name+".csv"

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        else :
            load_path = "bus/modified/m_"+self.name+".csv"
            df = pd.read_csv(load_path)
            self.G = ut.df_to_network(df)

#Carry out one step of single link rewiring
    def single_link_rewiring(self):
        self.rewired_G = ut.single_link_rewiring(self,
            rewired_G, self.step_prob)
#Carry out one step of pairwise rewiring
    def pairwise_rewiring(self):
        self.rewired_G = ut.pairwise_rewiring(self,
            rewired_G, self.step_prob)
#Reinstantiate the rewired graph
    def clear_rewiring(self):
        self.rewired_G = self.G.copy()
        if cx.OdC(self.rewired_G) != cx.OdC(self.G):
            Exception("Clearing failed")
#Carry out a sample number of rewiring
    def continuous_rewiring(self, method):
        self.result = [cx.OdC(self.G)]
        if method == "S":
            niter = int(1/self.step_prob)
            for i in range(niter):
                self.single_link_rewiring()
                self.result.append(cx.OdC(self.rewired_G))
            self.s_n += 1
        elif method == "P":
            niter = int(1/self.step_prob)
            for i in range(niter):
                self.pairwise_rewiring()
                self.result.append(cx.OdC(self.rewired_G))
            self.p_n += 1
        else:
            raise ValueError('Insufficient_method')
#Load the calculated result from the data folder
    def load_result(self, method):
        if method == "S":
            try:

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        self.s_result = pd.read_csv("result/
            single_link/"+self.name+".csv")
        self.s_n = len(self.s_result.columns)
    except FileNotFoundError:
        self.s_result = pd.DataFrame(data = {"1"
            :[]})
        self.s_n = 0
    if method == "P":
        try:
            self.p_result = pd.read_csv("result/
                pairwise/"+self.name+".csv")
            self.p_n = len(self.p_result.columns)
        except FileNotFoundError:
            self.p_result = pd.DataFrame(data = {"1"
                :[]})
            self.p_n = 0
#Store the result in the class variable result
    def record_result(self, method):
        if method == "S":
            self.s_result[str(self.s_n)] = self.result
        elif method == "P":
            self.p_result[str(self.p_n)] = self.result
        else:
            raise ValueError('Insufficient_method')
#Save the current result table as a csv file
    def write_result(self, method):
        if method == "S" and self.s_n == 0:
            raise Exception("There_is_no_recorded_result")
        if method == "P" and self.p_n == 0:
            raise Exception("There_is_no_recorded_result")
        if (method == "S+P" or method == "P+S") and (self
            .s_n == 0 or self.p_n==0):
            raise Exception("There_is_no_recorded_result_
                for_one/both_of_the_methods.")

    if method == "S":
        self.s_result.to_csv("result/single_link/"+
            self.name+".csv",index = False)
    elif method == "P":
        self.p_result.to_csv("result/pairwise/"+self.
            name+".csv",index = False)

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```

elif method == "S+P" or method == "P+S":
    self.s_result.to_csv("result/single_link/"+
        self.name+".csv",index = False)
    self.p_result.to_csv("result/pairwise/"+self.
        name+".csv",index = False)
else:
    raise ValueError('Insufficient_method')
#Carry multiple number of rewiring according to the
given parameter
def experiment(self ,method ,sample_number):
    if type(sample_number) != type(int(1)):
        ValueError("Insufficient_number_of_samples ,
            please_input_an_integer.")
    for i in range(sample_number):
        self.clear_rewiring()
        self.continuous_rewiring(method)
        self.record_result(method)
#Plot the results
def plot_result(self ,method):
    if method == "S":
        if self.s_n != 0:
            prob_list = np.linspace(0,1,int(1/(self.
                step_prob)+1))
            mean = [np.mean(row) for index , row in
                self.s_result.iterrows()]
            std = [0.5*np.std(row) for index , row in
                self.s_result.iterrows()]
            plt.errorbar(prob_list ,mean,yerr = std ,
                color = "black")
        else:
            raise Exception("There_is_no_recorded_
                result")
    elif method == "P":
        if self.p_n != 0:
            prob_list = np.linspace(0,1,int(1/(self.
                step_prob)+1))
            mean = [np.mean(row) for index , row in
                self.p_result.iterrows()]
            std = [0.5*np.std(row) for index , row in
                self.p_result.iterrows()]
            plt.errorbar(prob_list ,mean,yerr = std ,
                color = "black")
        else:

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```

        raise Exception("There is no recorded
                           result")
    elif method == "P+S" or method == "S+P":
        if self.s_n != 0 and self.p_n != 0:
            prob_list = np.linspace(0,1,int(1/(self.
                step_prob)+1))
            mean = [np.mean(row) for index, row in
                    self.s_result.iterrows()]
            std = [0.5*np.std(row) for index, row in
                   self.s_result.iterrows()]
            plt.errorbar(prob_list,mean,yerr = std,
                        color = "black",label = "Single_link_
                        rewiring")

            mean = [np.mean(row) for index, row in
                    self.p_result.iterrows()]
            std = [0.5*np.std(row) for index, row in
                   self.p_result.iterrows()]
            plt.errorbar(prob_list,mean,yerr = std,
                        color = "blue",label = "Pairwise_
                        rewiring")
            plt.legend()
            plt.xlabel("Rewiring_Probability")
            plt.ylabel("OdC_Complexity")
            plt.title("Change_of_complexity_after_
                       rewiring")
        else:
            raise Exception("There is no recorded
                           result for one/both of the methods.")
    else:
        raise ValueError('Insufficient_method')
#Carry out a given number of rewiring, saving the
    result and plotting at the same time.
    def one_stop(self,method,sample_number):
        self.experiment(method,sample_number)
        self.write_result(method)
        self.plot_result(method)
index = ["dolphins","pdzbase","GBPT_train",
        "hamsterster","Roget","flight"]
index_bus = ["london","paris","berlin","sydney","detroit",
            ,"beijing"]
real_networks = [rewiring(item) for item in index]

```



```

bus_networks = [rewiring(item, bus = True) for item in
    index_bus]
for niter in range(10):
    for item in real_networks:
        item.experiment("P",1)
        item.write_result("P")
        item.experiment("S",1)
        item.write_result("S")
    for item in bus_networks:
        item.experiment("P",1)
        item.write_result("P")
        item.experiment("S",1)
        item.write_result("S")
plt.figure(figsize=(20,20))
step_prob = 0.05
prob_list = np.linspace(0,1,int(1/(step_prob)+1))
for i in range(len(real_networks)):
    plt.subplot(4,3,i+1)
    mean = [np.mean(row) for index, row in real_networks[
        i].s_result.iterrows()]
    std = [np.std(row) for index, row in real_networks[
        i].s_result.iterrows()]
    plt.errorbar(prob_list, mean, yerr = std, color = "black",
        label = "Single_link_rewiring")
    mean = [np.mean(row) for index, row in real_networks[
        i].p_result.iterrows()]
    std = [np.std(row) for index, row in real_networks[
        i].p_result.iterrows()]
    plt.errorbar(prob_list, mean, yerr = std, color = "blue",
        label = "Pairwise_rewiring")
    plt.title(index[i].capitalize(), fontsize=15)
for i in range(len(real_networks)):
    plt.subplot(4,3,6+i+1)
    mean = [np.mean(row) for index, row in bus_networks[
        i].s_result.iterrows()]
    std = [np.std(row) for index, row in bus_networks[
        i].s_result.iterrows()]
    plt.errorbar(prob_list, mean, yerr = std, color = "black",
        label = "Single_link_rewiring")
    mean = [np.mean(row) for index, row in bus_networks[
        i].p_result.iterrows()]
    std = [np.std(row) for index, row in bus_networks[
        i].p_result.iterrows()]

```

```

plt.errorbar(prob_list, mean, yerr = std, color = "blue"
             , label = "Pairwise rewiring")
plt.title(index_bus[i].capitalize(), fontsize=15)
plt.subplot(4,3,1); plt.ylabel("$OdC$", fontsize=18); plt.
    legend(fontsize = 12); plt.title("Dolphins", fontsize
    =15)
plt.subplot(4,3,2); plt.title("PDZBase", fontsize=15)
plt.subplot(4,3,3); plt.title("UK_train", fontsize=15)
plt.subplot(4,3,4); plt.ylabel("$OdC$", fontsize=18);
plt.subplot(4,3,5); plt.title("Roget's_thesaurus", fontsize
    =15)
plt.subplot(4,3,7); plt.ylabel("$OdC$", fontsize=18)
plt.subplot(4,3,10); plt.xlabel("Rewiring_probability",
    fontsize=18); plt.ylabel("$OdC$", fontsize=18)
plt.subplot(4,3,11); plt.xlabel("Rewiring_probability",
    fontsize=18)
plt.subplot(4,3,12); plt.xlabel("Rewiring_probability",
    fontsize=18); plt.legend(fontsize = 12)
plt.savefig("figures/rewiring.eps", format = "eps")

```

## F configuration\_model.r and R\_functions.py

Since there is no package that can implement a connected configuration model in Python, R is used to implement configuration model and simulate the behaviour to produce figure ??.

configuration\_model.r:

```

#include necessary libraries , and setting up the
environment
library("reticulate")
library("igraph")
library("plotly")
use_python("/user/python3")
#function1 return the edges list to build the network in
networkx
#function2 return the graph itself for tespecing in the R
environment
configuration_model <- function(series){
  g <- sample_degseq(series , method="vl")
  return(as_edgelist(g))
}
return_graph<- function(series){

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    g <- sample_degseq(series , method="vl")
    return(g)
}
#python functions
source_python("R_functions.py")
#Building the network in python
n = 50
gamma = 3
gamma_list = seq(gamma-0.3,gamma+0.3,0.01)
mari_results = integer(length(gamma_list))
OdC_results = integer(length(gamma_list))
Clespec_results = integer(length(gamma_list))
graphs = list()
for(niter in 1:50){
  for(i in 1:length(gamma_list)){
    series = power_law_series(n,gamma_list[i])
    if(sum(series)%2 !=0){
      series[1]=series[1]+1
    }
    edge_list = configuration_model(series)
    g = construct_network(edge_list)
    graphs = append(graphs,g)
    mari_results[i] = mari_results[i]+MAri(g)
    OdC_results[i] = OdC_results[i]+OdC(g)
    Clespec_results[i] = Clespec_results[i]+Clespec(g)
  }
}
mari_results = mari_results/niter
OdC_results = OdC_results/niter
Clespec_results = Clespec_results/niter
dev.new(3,5)
plot(gamma_list , Clespec_results , col="black",pch="*",lty=1"
     , lty=1, ylim=c(0,0.5), ylab="Complexity",xlab="Gamma"
     )
lines(gamma_list , OdC_results , col="blue",lty=2)
lines(gamma_list , mari_results , col="red", lty=3)
legend(3.1,0.45,legend=c(expression(paste('C'["le,spec"])),
    "OdC","MAri"),col=c("black","blue","red"),lty=c
    (1,2,3), ncol=1)

```

R\_functions.py:

*#Complexity measure of  $C_{\{le,spec\}}$ ,  $OdC$  and  $MA_{\{RI\}}$  can*

*be found in Complexity.py, please copy and paste them here.*

```
def ln(x):  
    if x == 0:  
        return 0  
    else :  
        return np.log(x)  
def power_law_series(n,gamma):  
    n = int(n)  
    sequence = nx.random_powerlaw_tree_sequence(n, gamma,  
        tries=100000)  
    return sequence  
  
def construct_network(edge_list):  
    G=nx.Graph()  
    for item in edge_list:  
        G.add_edge(item[0],item[1])  
    return G
```

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