

Complex (not only neural) networks

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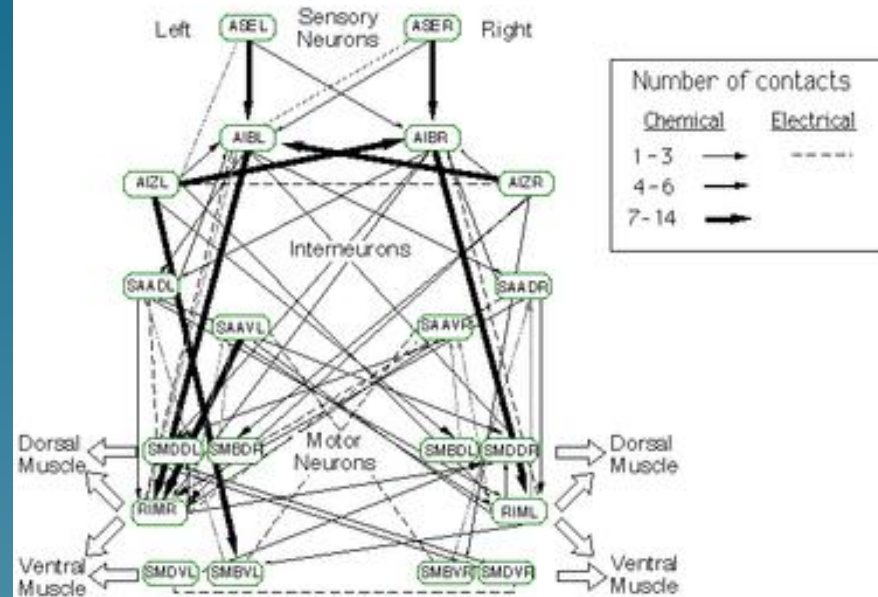
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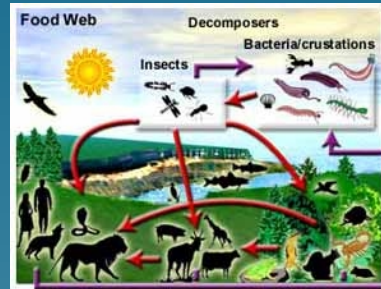
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Network

Biological network



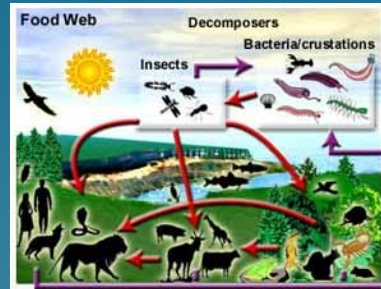
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Food Web

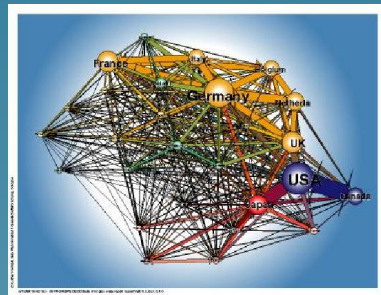
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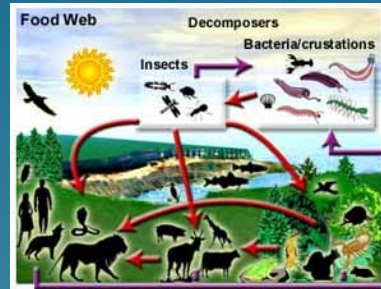
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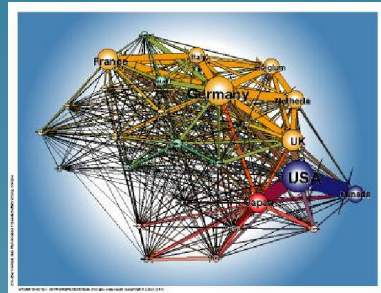
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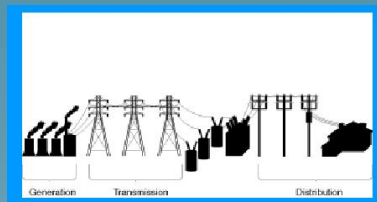
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Electric Power Network

nodes: generators, transformers

edges: transformation lines

Social Networks

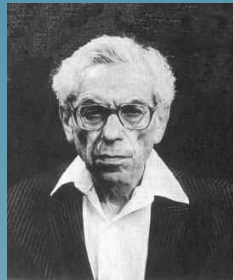
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Paul Erdős

(1913-1996)

Social Networks

Erdős Number

The Erdős Number Project

<http://www.oakland.edu/grossman/erdosnp.html>

E. n. 0	1	person
E. n. 1	502	people
E. n. 2	5713	people
E. n. 3	26422	people
E. n. 4	62136	people
E. n. 5	66158	people
E. n. 6	32280	people
E. n. 7	10431	people
E. n. 8	3214	people
E. n. 9	953	people
E. n.10	262	people
E. n.11	94	people
E. n.12	23	people
E. n.13	42	people
E. n.14	7	people
E. n.15	1	people
E. n.16	0	people

Average Erdős Number: 4.69

Social Networks

Hollywood Graph

429065 actors, 170479 films
Bacon numbers and their distributions

0	1
1	1465
2	109974
3	256183
4	56936
5	3932
6	477
7	69
8	27
9	1

average: 2.89

912 actors have smaller than average



Kevin Bacon

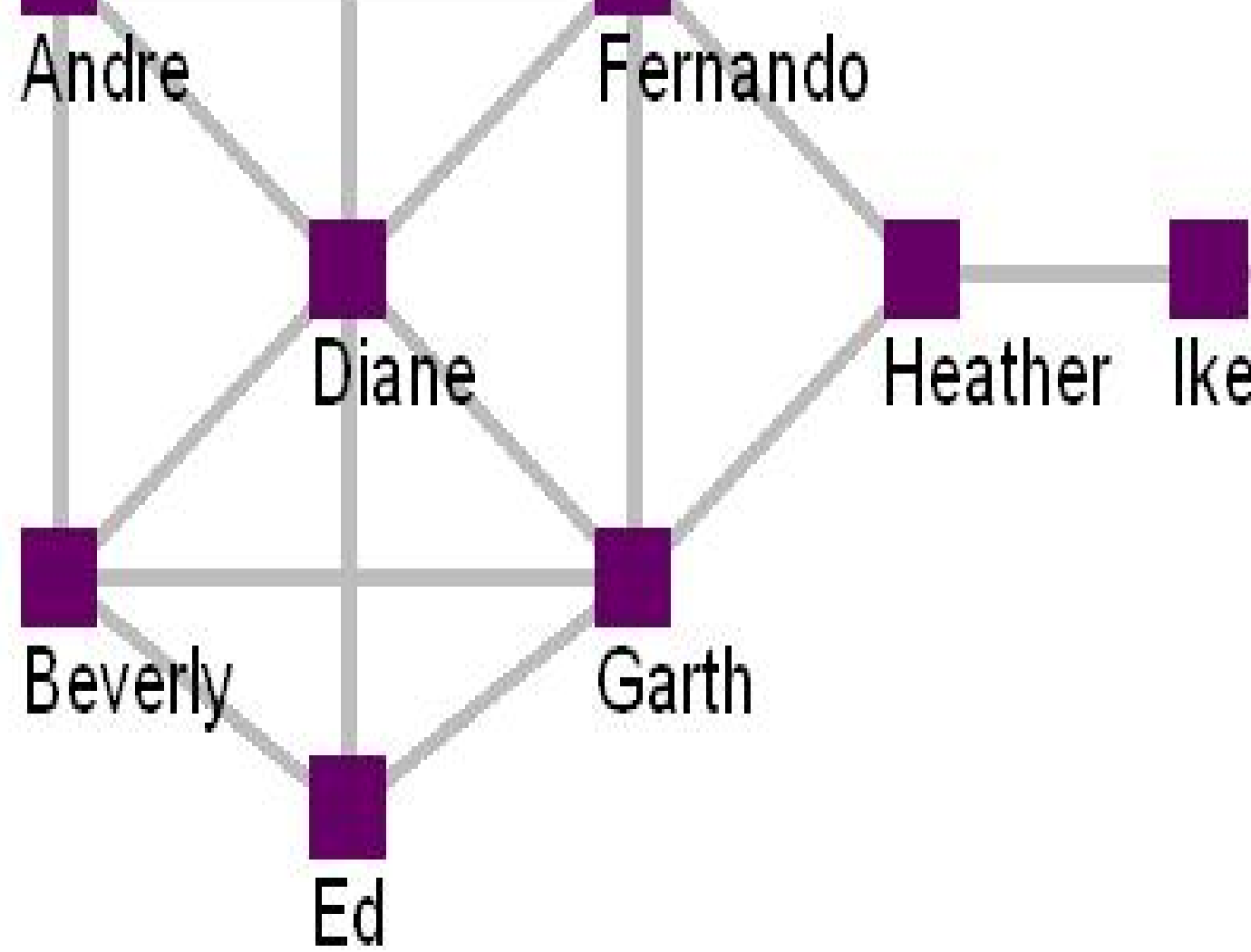
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Social Network Analysis

Degree: the number of direct connections a node has. In the network above, Diane has the most direct connections in the network. She is a 'connector' or 'hub' in this network.

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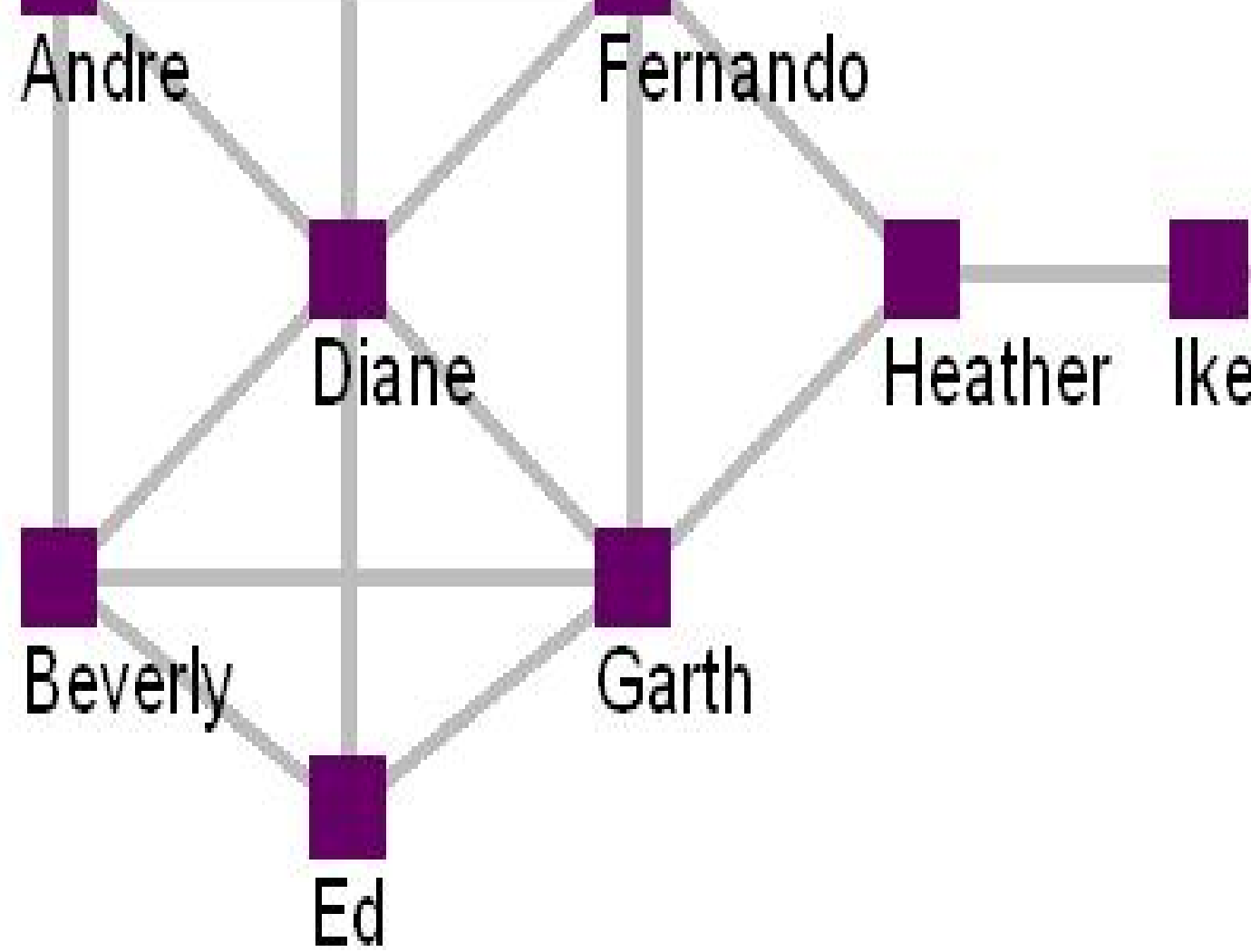
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Betweenness: While Diane has many direct ties, Heather has few direct connections – fewer than the average in the network. Yet, in many ways, she has one of the best locations in the network – she is between two important constituencies. She plays a 'broker' role in the network.

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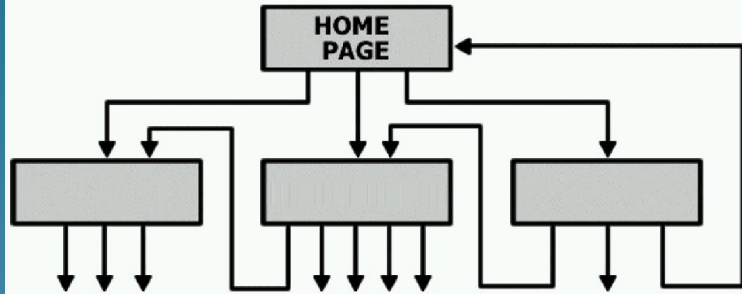
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Closeness: Fernando and Garth have fewer connections than Diane, yet the pattern of their direct and indirect ties allow them to access all the nodes in the network more quickly than anyone else. They have the shortest paths to all others – they are close to everyone else.

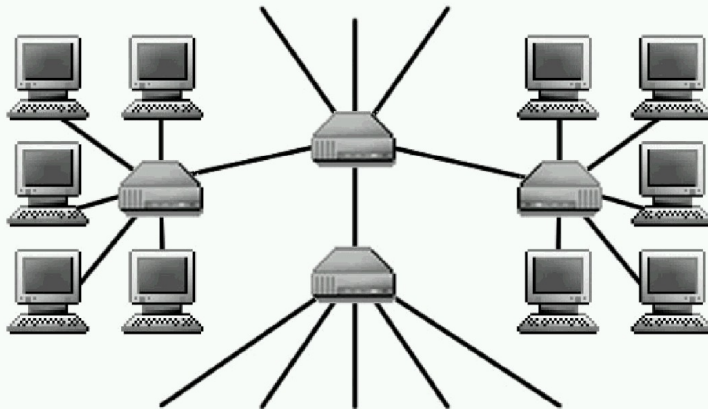
World Wide Web and the Internet

WORLD-WIDE WEB



nodes: web documents
edges: directed hyperlinks

INTERNET



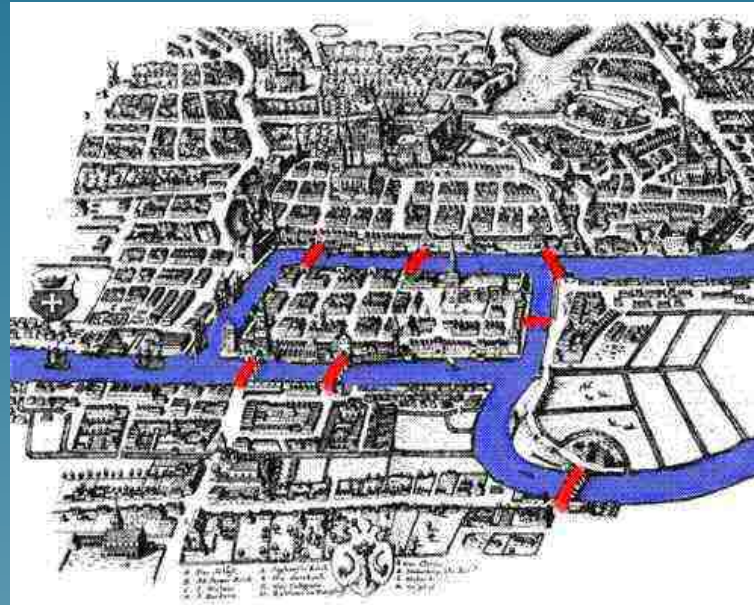
nodes: routers and computers
edges: wires and cables

2. STATISTICAL ANALYSIS of LARGE GRAPHS

Graphs

<nodes or vertices, edges>

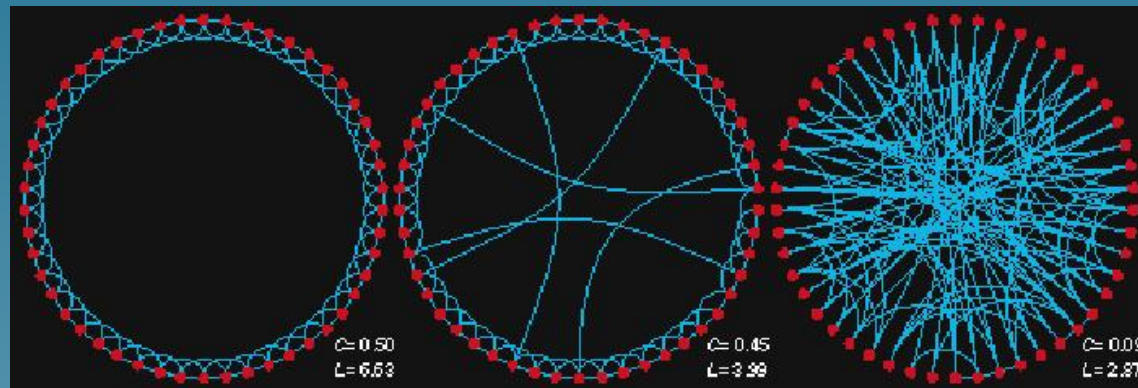
Euler and the bridges of Königsberg (Kalinyingrad)



Statistical analysis of large graphs
Brain Hayes: Graph Theory in Practice I, II
American Scientist 88(1), 88(2) 2000

Graphs

Regular, Random and Real World Graphs



lattice like
(several
neighbours)

regular +
random
effects

random

Graphs

Graph Characteristics

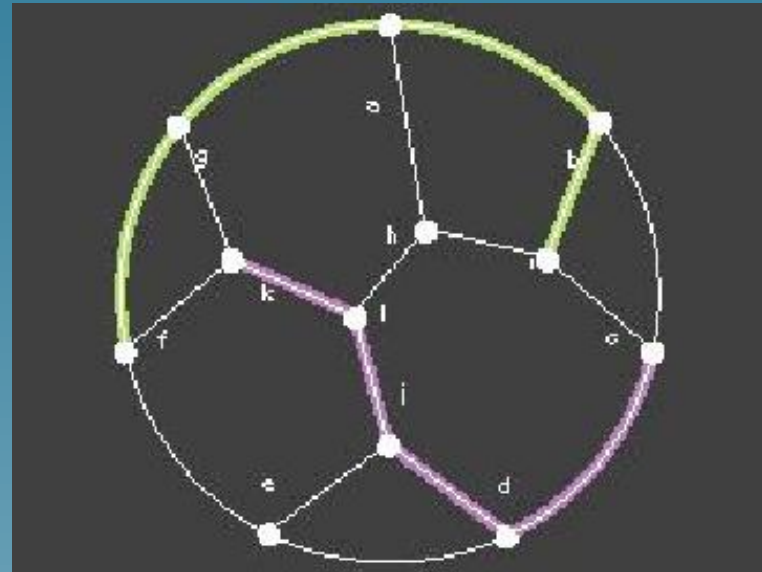
Diameter:

maximal minimal path

Characteristic path length:

minimal path lengths averaged for all pairs of vertices

(complete graph, clique)
many edges are necessary

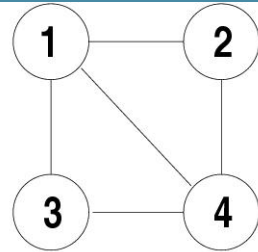


Graphs

Measure of Clustering (C)

(are my friends also friends of each other?)

List all the neighbours of a vertex, count the edges that link those neighbours, and divide by the maximum number of edges that could possibly be drawn among the neighbours; then repeat these operations for all the vertices, and take the average.



Node	1.	2.	3.	4.	
Neighbors	2, 3, 4	1, 4	1, 4	1, 2, 3	
Number of edges connecting the neighbor nodes	2	1	1	2	
Maximal number of edges connecting the neighbor nodes	3	1	1	3	
Ratio	2/3	1	1	2/3	5/6

Elements of Random Graph Theory

Illustration of the Erdős – Rényi Theorem

n nodes, no edges; p is the probability that we drag an edge to a pair of nodes, for each pair.

$p = 0 \rightarrow$ no edge; $p = 1 \rightarrow$ clique

generally the number of edges $pn(n - 1)/2$; randomly and independently

for large graphs ($n \rightarrow \infty, e \rightarrow \infty, n/e = \text{const}$):
 $e > n/2 \rightarrow$ there exists a 'giant component' i.e. a connected piece of the graph spanning most of the vertices,

the distance between two arbitrarily chosen points is 'rather small'

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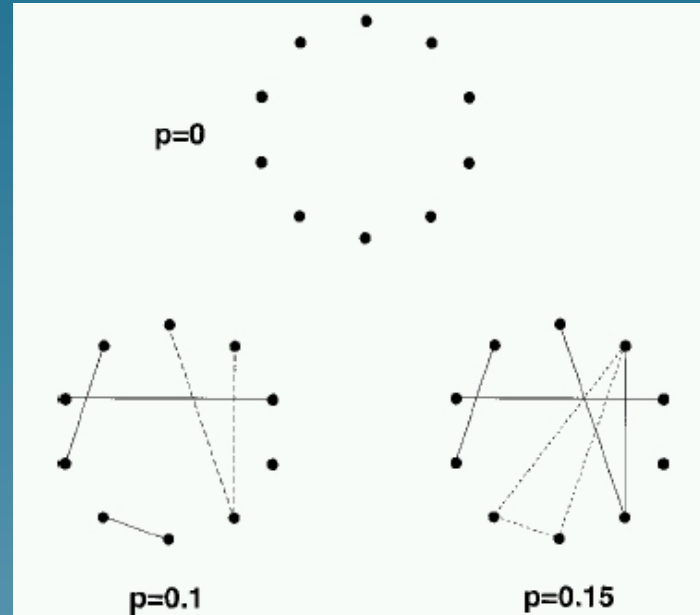
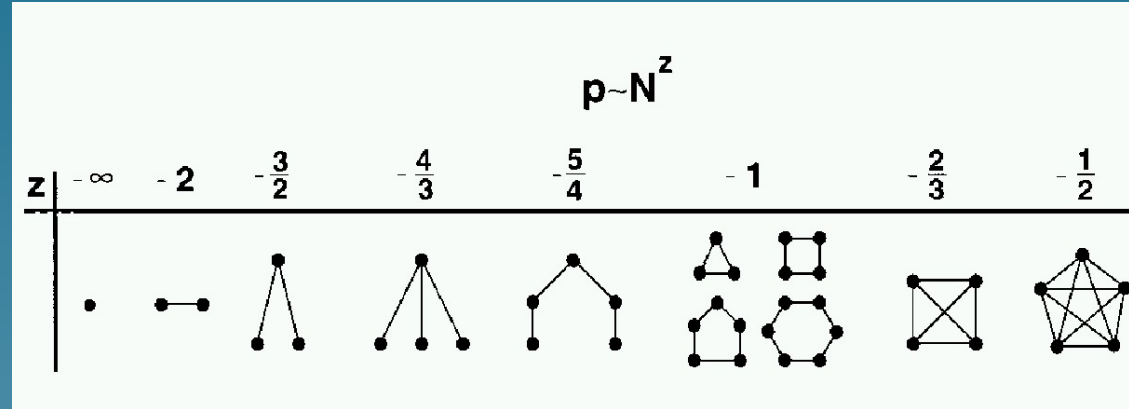


Illustration of the graph evolution process for the Erdős-Rényi model. We start with $N = 10$ isolated nodes, then connect every pair of nodes with probability p . The lower panel of the figure shows two different stages in the graph's development, corresponding to $p = 0.1$ and $p = 0.15$. We can notice the emergence of trees (a tree of order 3, drawn with long-dashed lines) and cycles (a cycle of order 3, drawn with short-dashed lines) in the graph, and a connected cluster that unites half of the nodes at $p = 0.15 = 1.5/N$.

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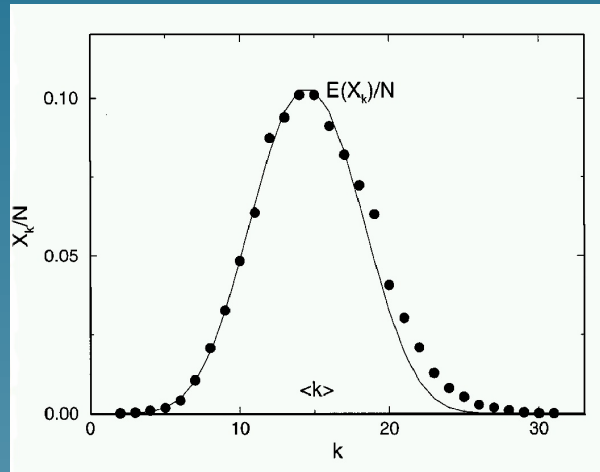


The threshold probabilities at which different subgraphs appear in a random graph. For $pN^{3/2} \rightarrow 0$ the graph consists of isolated nodes and edges. For $p \sim N^{-3/2}$ trees of order 3 appear, while for $p \sim N^{-4/3}$ trees of order 4 appear. At $p \sim N^{-1}$ trees of all orders are present, and at the same time cycles of all orders appear. The probability $p \sim N^{-2/3}$ marks the appearance of complete subgraphs of order 4 and $p \sim N^{-1/2}$ corresponds to complete subgraphs of order 5. As z approaches 0, the graph contains complete subgraphs of increasing order.

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The Edge Distribution:



Comparison of the degree distribution (X_k/N) of a network of $N = 10000$ nodes and $p = 0.0015$ with the expectation value of the Poisson distribution below, $E(X_k)/N = P(k_i = k)$.

$$E(X_k) = NP(k_i = k) = \lambda_k$$

$$\lambda_k = NC_{N-1}^k p^k (1-p)^{N-1-k}$$

$$P(X_k = r) = e^{-\lambda_k} \frac{\lambda_k^r}{r!}$$

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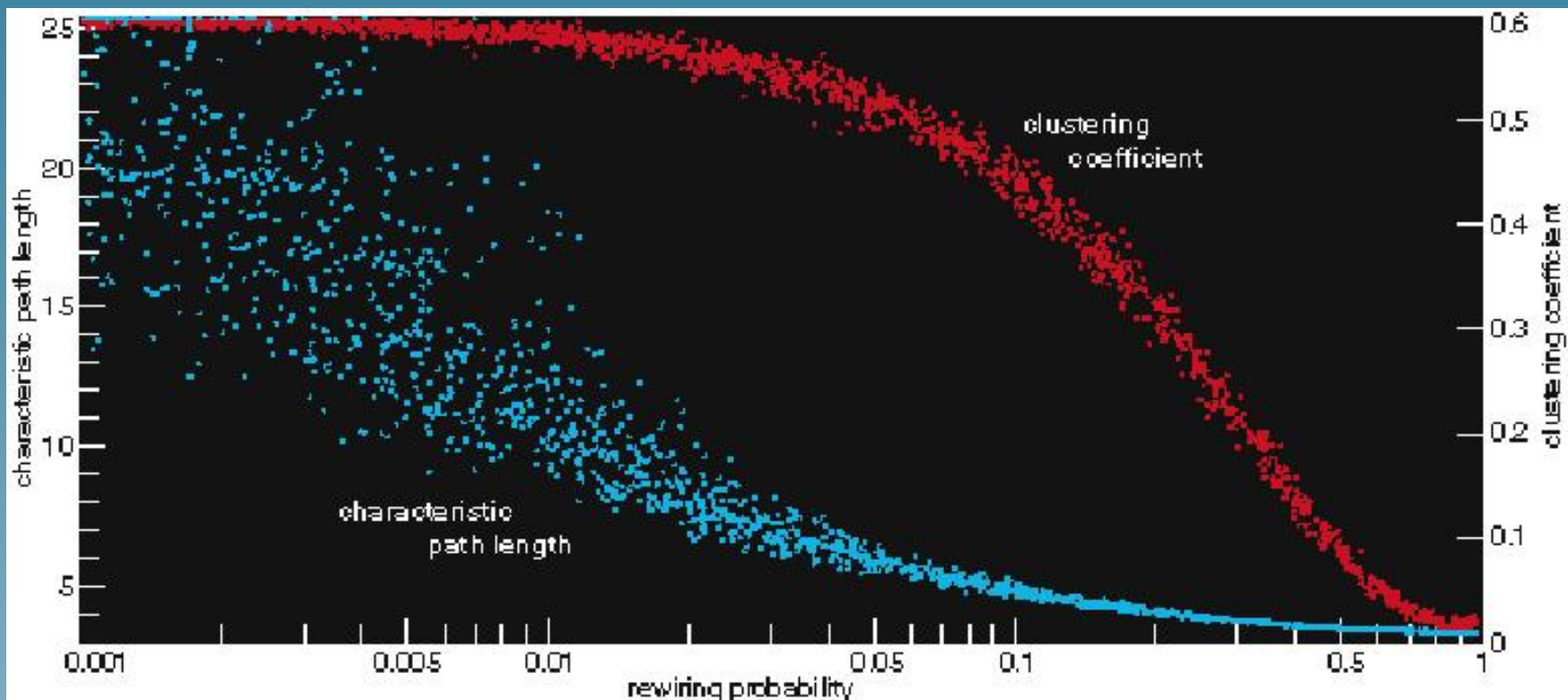
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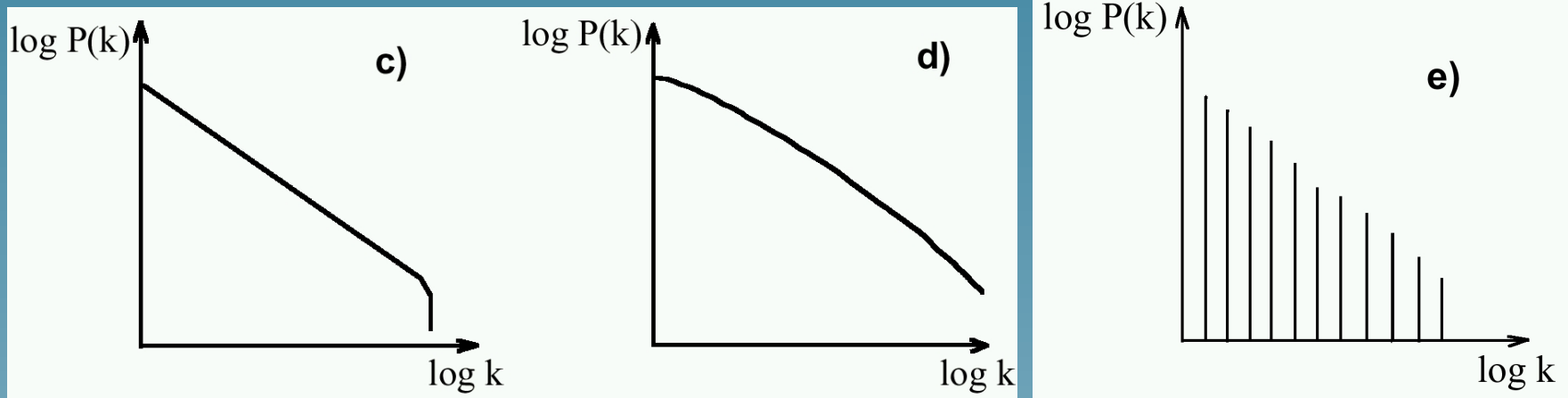
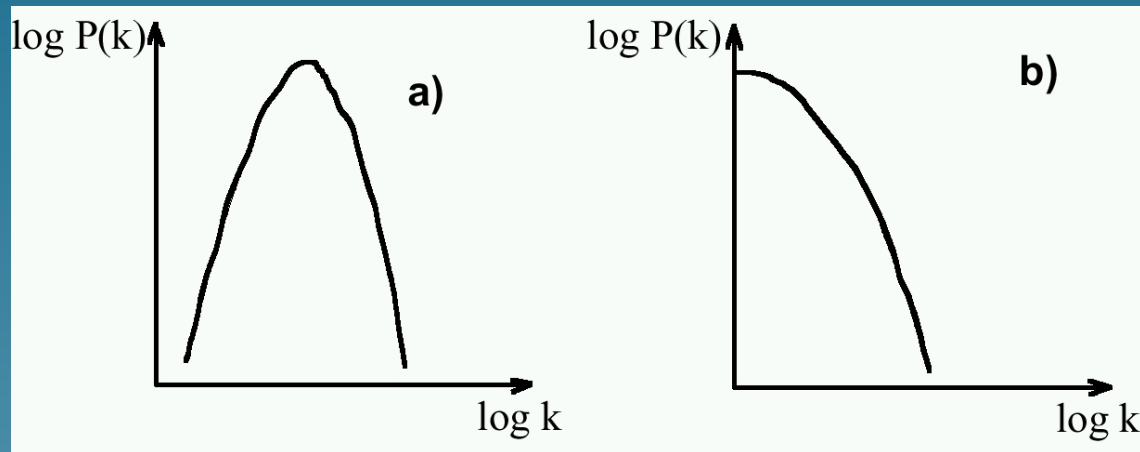
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- Generation of the Watts-Strogatz “Small World Graph”:
 1. initial configuration is a regular lattice
 2. each edge is examined, and is redirected with p probability to an other target node (chosen also randomly)



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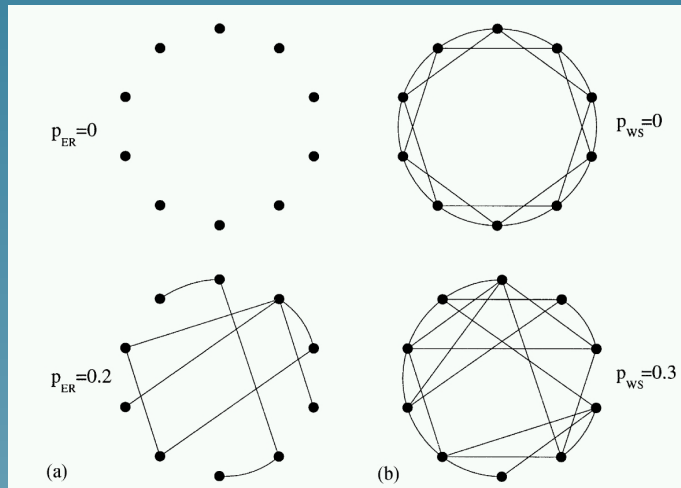


“Zoology” of degree distributions in networks. Main types of a degree distribution in log-log plots. Poisson (a), exponential (b), power-law (c), multifractal (d), and discrete (e) distributions.

3. DEVELOPMENT of NETWORKS

Formation of Scale-free Networks

Random Growth vs. Preferential Attachment



The **Erdős-Rényi** (ER) (a) and the **Watts-Strogatz** (WS) (b) models. A random network described by the ER model has N vertices connected with probability p_{ER} , the total number of edges in the system being $n = p_{ER}N(N - 1)/2$. The example presents a network of $N = 10$ vertices for $p_{ER} = 0$ and $p_{ER} = 0.2$. The WS model starts with a regular one-dimensional lattice with edges between the nearest and next-nearest neighbors. Then a fraction p_{WS} of the edges is rewired randomly (their endpoint is changed to a randomly selected vertex). The example presents a network of $N = 10$ vertices. For $p_{WS} = 0$ the system is a regular lattice with $2N = 20$ edges. For $p_{WS} = 0.3$, $2p_{WS}N = 6$ edges have been rewired to randomly selected vertices.

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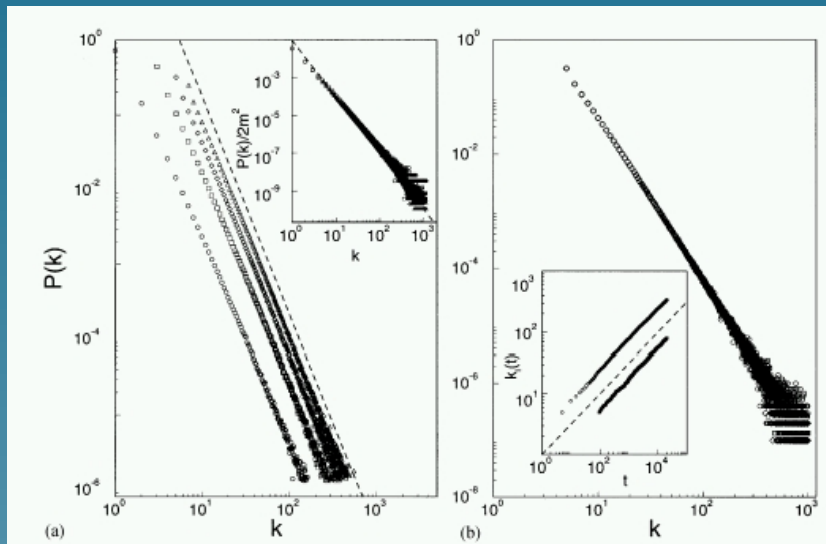
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(2) The ER and WS models assume that the probability that two nodes are connected (or their connection is rewired) is independent of the nodes degree, i.e., new edges are placed randomly. Most real networks however, exhibit preferential attachment, such that the likelihood of connecting to a node depends on the node's degree. The probability Π that a new node will be connected to node i depends on the degree k_i of node i , such that

$$\Pi(k_i) = \frac{k_i}{\sum_j k_j}$$

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The Barabási-Albert Model



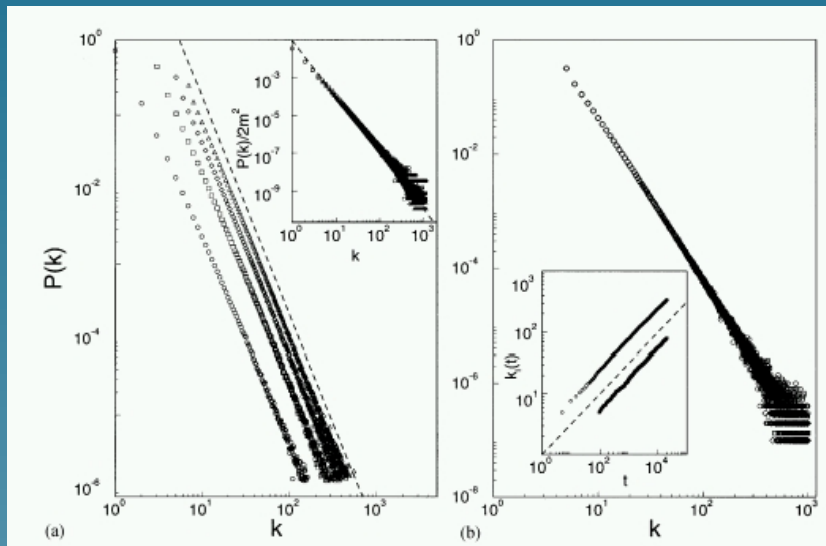
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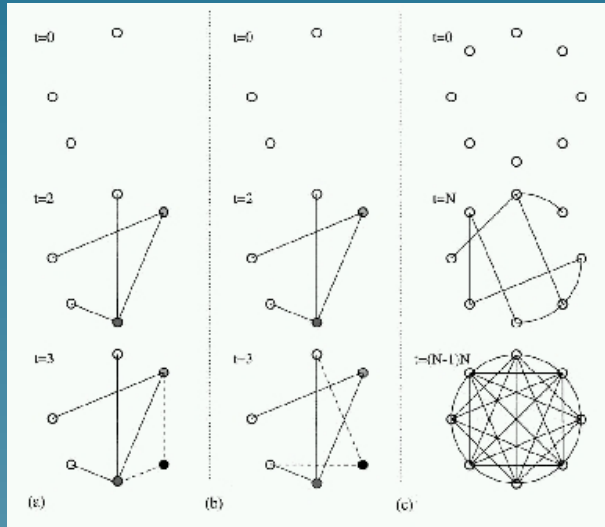
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Probability density for $P(k)$ can be obtained:

$$P(k) = \frac{\partial P(k_i(t) < k)}{\partial k}$$

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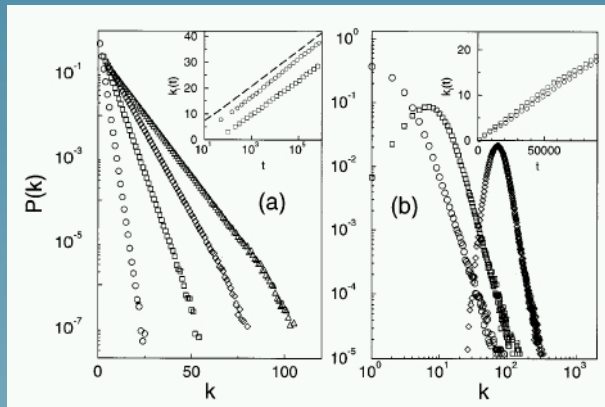
Limited cases of the BA model:

Model A: growth without preferential attachment

For $t \rightarrow \infty$ the degree distribution decays exponentially, $P(k) = \frac{e}{m} \exp\left(-\frac{k}{m}\right)$. The absence of preferential attachment eliminates the scale-free character.

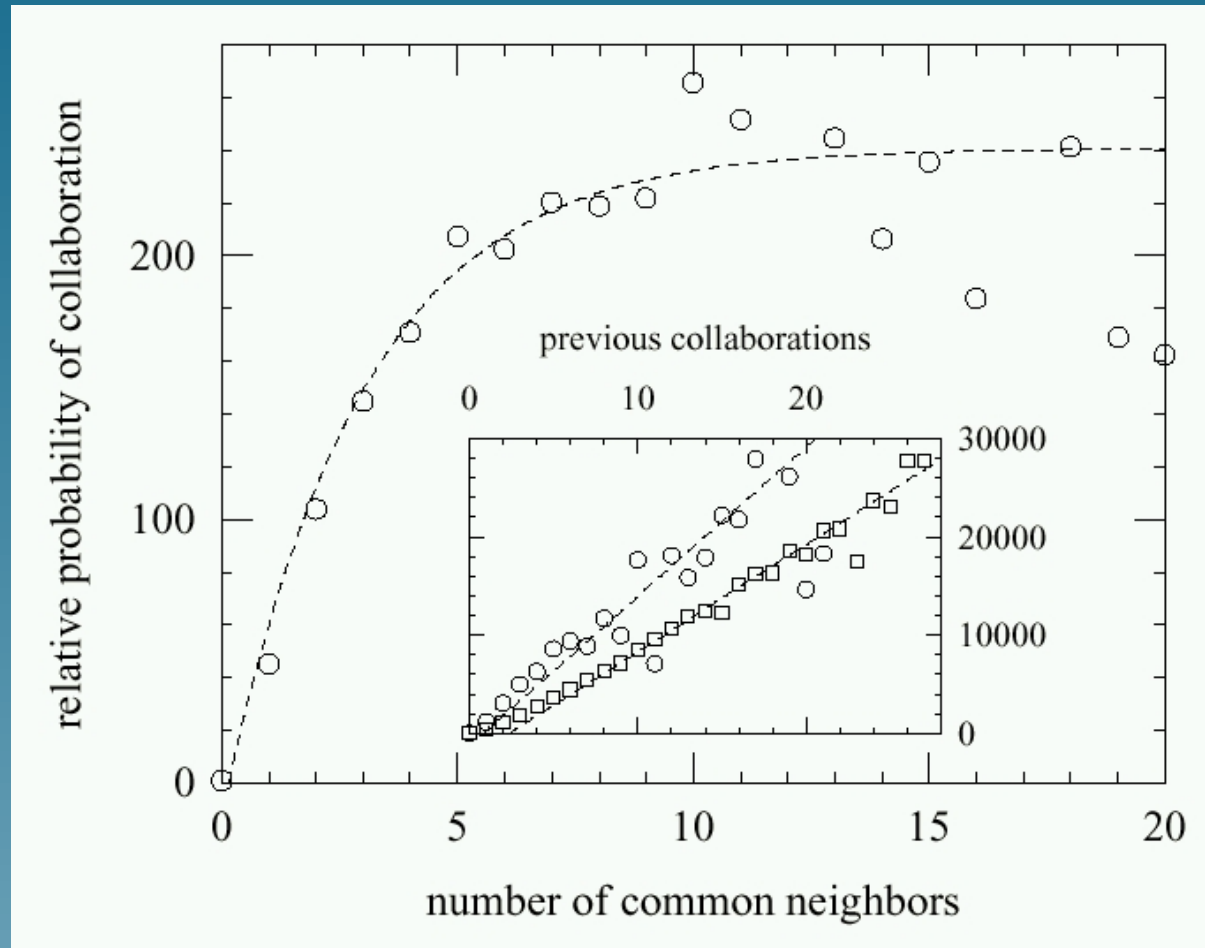
Model B: preferential attachment without growing

After an initial transient when $P(k)$ follows a power-law scaling the degree distribution becomes a Gaussian.



Figures: upper panel show time evolution of (a) the BA model, (b) Model A and (c) Model B. Lower panel shows degree distributions for (a) Model A and (b) Model B.

Community Structures



Probability of collaboration between scientists in the Los Alamos Archive as a function of their number of mutual previous collaborators. Inset: the relative probability of collaboration as a function of number of previous collaborations of the same scientists, for the Los Alamos Archive (circles) and Medline (squares). The dotted lines are the best straight-line fits to the data. The data for Medline have been divided by a factor of 50 vertically to improve the clarity of the figure.

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Open problem: how to combine local and global, and passive and active rules, respectively.

The Small-world Network of the Human Language

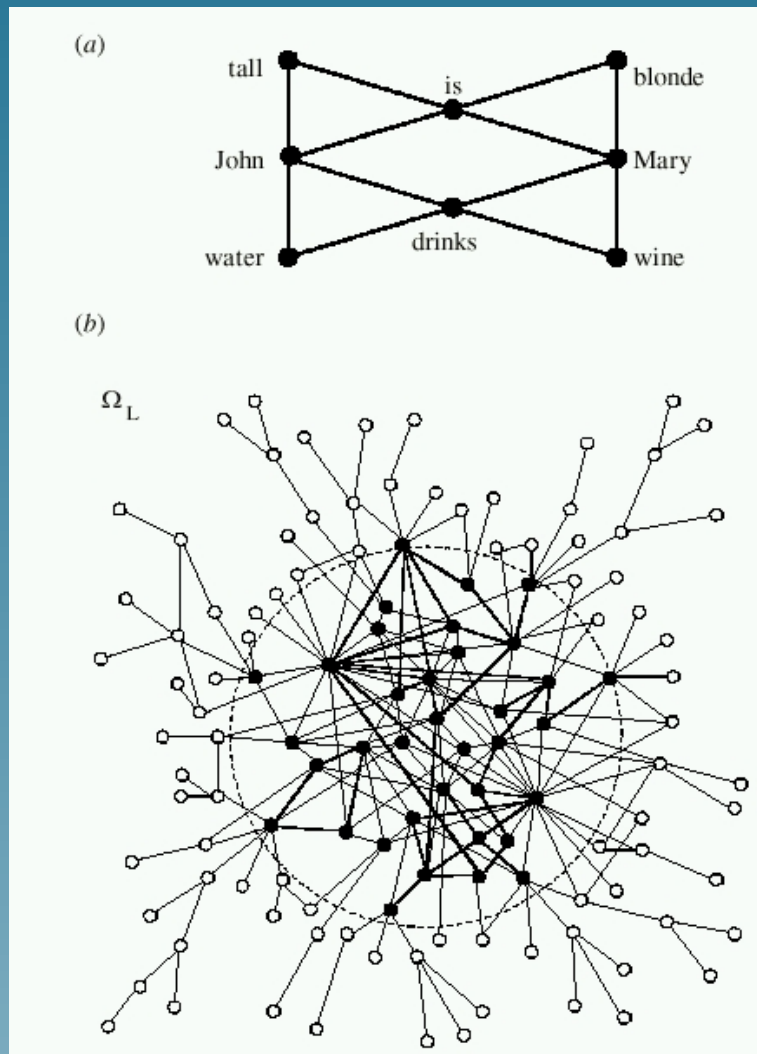
- sentence generation is rapid
- $1/f$ distribution in linguistics (Zipf's law)
- lexicons in human brain: $10^4 - 10^5$ words
- communication: kernel lexicon
- basic words and specialized words

$\Omega_L = (W_L, E_L)$, words: $W_L = \{w_i\}$, $i = 1, \dots, N_L$, connections: $E_L = \{\{w_i, w_j\}\}$

connection between words: first- and second neighbours

[BUT: Chomsky: surface and dep structure \rightarrow distant neighbours]

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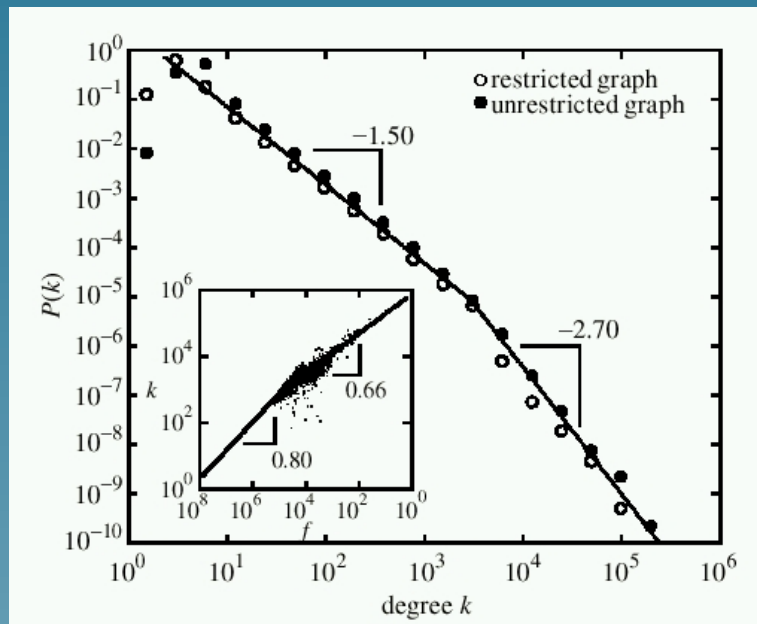


The figure shows an example of word networks. (a) A toy network constructed with four sentences: 'John is tall', 'John drinks water', 'Mary is blonde', 'Mary drinks wine'. (b) A possible pattern of wiring in Ω_L . Black nodes are common words and white nodes are rare words. Two words are linked if they co-occur significantly.

Assumption: from a sufficiently large text macroscopic properties of the network should emerge

Improvement: $p_{ij} > p_i p_j$: the presence of correlations beyond that expected from a random ordering of words (RWN: restricted word networks) UWN: else

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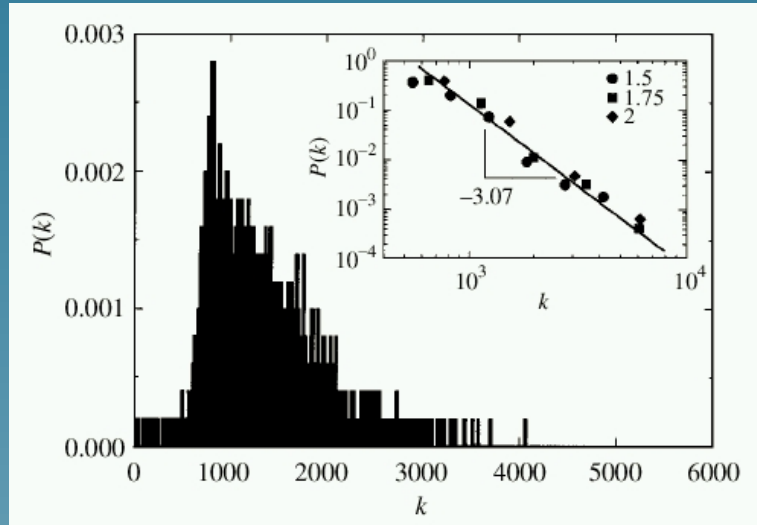


Degree distribution for the unrestricted word network (filled circles) and the restricted word network (open circles). The distribution function is obtained after processing about three-quarters of the 10^7 words of the British National Corpus (<http://info.ox.ac.uk/bnc/>). The obvious limitations of our methods are overcome by the use of a large amount of points. Points are grouped by powers of two. Inset: average degree as a function of frequency. Degree increases as a function with frequency, with exponent 0.80 for the first domain and 0.66 for the second one.

$$\gamma_1 = -1.5, \gamma_2 = -2.7$$

the network also has small world properties:
average minimum distance: ~ 2.6 ,
clustering coefficient: ~ 0.5

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Connectivity distribution for the **kernel word network** (KWN), formed by the 5000 most connected vertices in RWN. Inset: power-law tail for $k > \bar{k}$ calculated by grouping in powers of 1.5, 1.75 and 2. The exponent of the power tail is $\gamma_{KWN} \approx -3$, indicating that preferential attachment is happening.

Every word on average is connected to 24% of the rest of the kernel words.

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- The distance of two arbitrarily chosen cortical neurons is 5 (John Szentágothai)

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Specificity Versus (Quasi-) Randomness in Cortical Connectivity

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Neural Networks: Many Cells, Several Cell Types

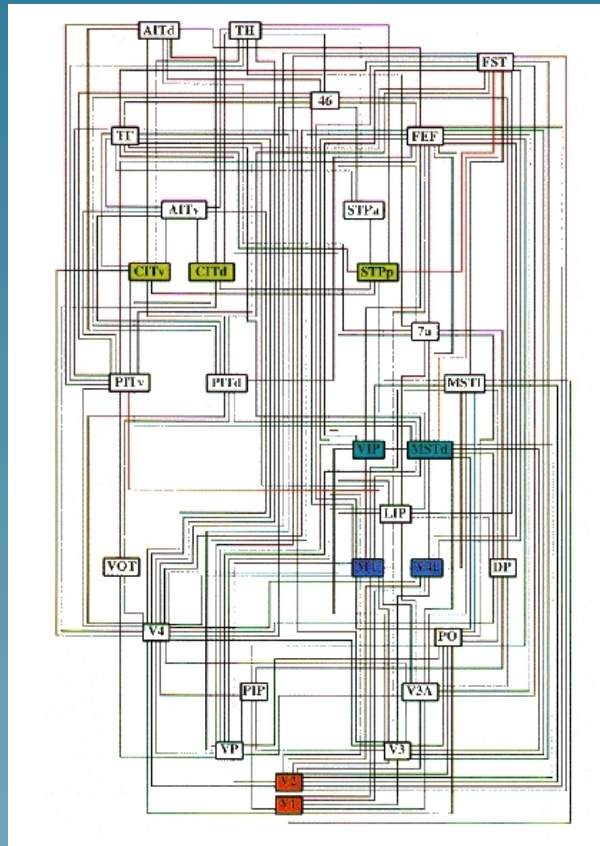


Cell types of the hippocampus

T. Freund and colleagues

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Hierarchy of Subsystems



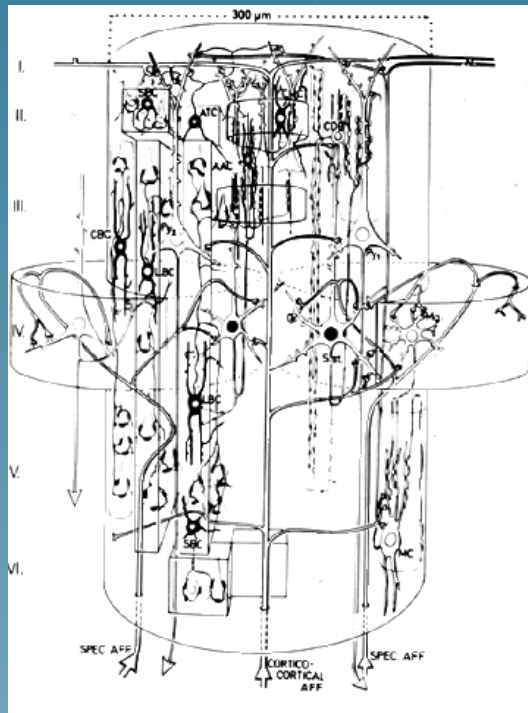
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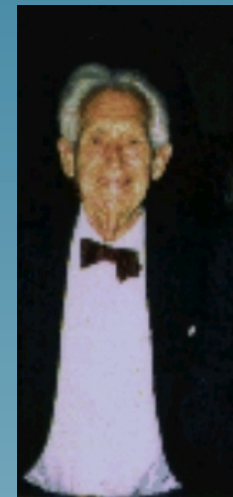
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Cortical Modules

- Wiring optimization in the brain - wiring economy principle?
- Limitations on the brain size require keeping the connection length as short as possible?
- Cortical modules: structural and functional units of information processing.



Cortical column as first visualized by J. Szentágothai



János Szentágothai (1912 – 1994)

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Connectivity Databases & Neuroinformatics

- <http://www.psychology.ncl.ac.uk/neuroinformatics.html> (M. P. Young)
- The complexity of the brain, and the quantity and complexity of the data derived from it in the neuroscience, represents very substantial problems for brain science.
- Neuroinformatics: computer-based collation, management and analysis to neuroscience data, with the aims of making the complex data tractable, and of bringing mathematical and computational rigour to those areas that have not previously benefitted from it.
- Cat cortico-cortical connectivity
- Parcellation of the cat thalamus
- Rat connectivity
- Connectivity data on the Macaque monkey

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