Assortativity and Mixing

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- Notation reconciliation for undirected networks:

$$r = \frac{\sum_{j\,k} j\,k(e_{jk} - R_j R_k)}{\sigma_R^2}$$

where, as before, R_k is the probability that a randomly chosen edge leads to a node of degree $k+1$, and

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Measurements of degree-degree correlations

	Group	Network	Type	Size n	Assortativity r	Error σ_r
Social	a	Physics coauthorship	undirected	52 909	0.363	0.002
	a	Biology coauthorship	undirected	1 520 251	0.127	0.0004
	b	Mathematics coauthorship	undirected	253 339	0.120	0.002
	c	Film actor collaborations	undirected	449 913	0.208	0.0002
	d	Company directors	undirected	7 673	0.276	0.004
	e	Student relationships	undirected	573	−0.029	0.037
	f	Email address books	directed	16 881	0.092	0.004
Technological	g	Power grid	undirected	4 941	−0.003	0.013
	h	Internet	undirected	10 697	−0.189	0.002
	i	World Wide Web	directed	269 504	−0.067	0.0002
	j	Software dependencies	directed	3 162	−0.016	0.020
Biological	k	Protein interactions	undirected	2 115	−0.156	0.010
	l	Metabolic network	undirected	765	−0.240	0.007
	m	Neural network	directed	307	−0.226	0.016
	n	Marine food web	directed	134	−0.263	0.037
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- Social networks tend to be assortative (homophily)
- Technological and biological networks tend to be disassortative

Hot lava

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- Rearranging and introducing a sneaky δ_{jk}:

$$\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \left(\delta_{jk} R_k - k B_{k+1,1} e_{jk}\right) F_k'(1;\vec{B}_1) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} e_{jk} B_{k+1,1}.$$

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- In matrix form, we have

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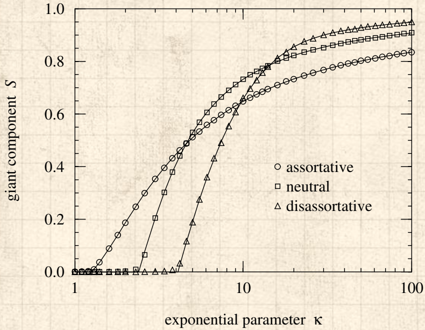
Insert assignment question

How the giant component changes with assortativity:



from Newman, 2002 [5]

- More assortative networks percolate for lower average degrees
- But disassortative networks end up with higher extents of spreading.

Toy guns don't pretend blow up things ...

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