

# 04-630

# Data Structures and Algorithms for Engineers

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# Lecture 24

## Complex Networks

- The importance of complex networks and network science
- Review of graph theory
  - Euler's theorem: the Bridges of Königsberg
  - Networks vs. graphs
  - Degree, average degree, and degree distribution
  - Bipartite networks
  - Path length, BFS, Connectivity, Components
  - Clustering coefficient

This lecture is based on Chapters 1 and 2 of *Network Science* by A.-L. Barabási  
(see <http://barabasi.com/book/network-science>)



# Lecture 23

## Complex Networks

- Communities
  - Fundamental Hypothesis & Connectedness and Density Hypothesis
  - Strong and weak communities
  - Graph partitioning & Community detection
    - Hierarchical clustering
    - Girvan-Newman Algorithm
    - Modularity
    - Random Hypothesis
    - Maximum Modularity Hypothesis
    - Greedy algorithm for community detection by maximizing modularity
  - Overlapping communities
    - Clique percolation algorithm and CFinder

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# Network Science

by Albert-László Barabási

1. Introduction

2. Graph Theory

3. Random Networks

4. The Scale-Free Property

5. The Barabási-Albert Model

6. Evolving Networks

7. Degree Correlations

8. Network Robustness

9. Communities

10. Spreading Phenomena

Start Reading

# Complex Networks

## Network Science

### Economic Impact: From Web Search to Social Networking

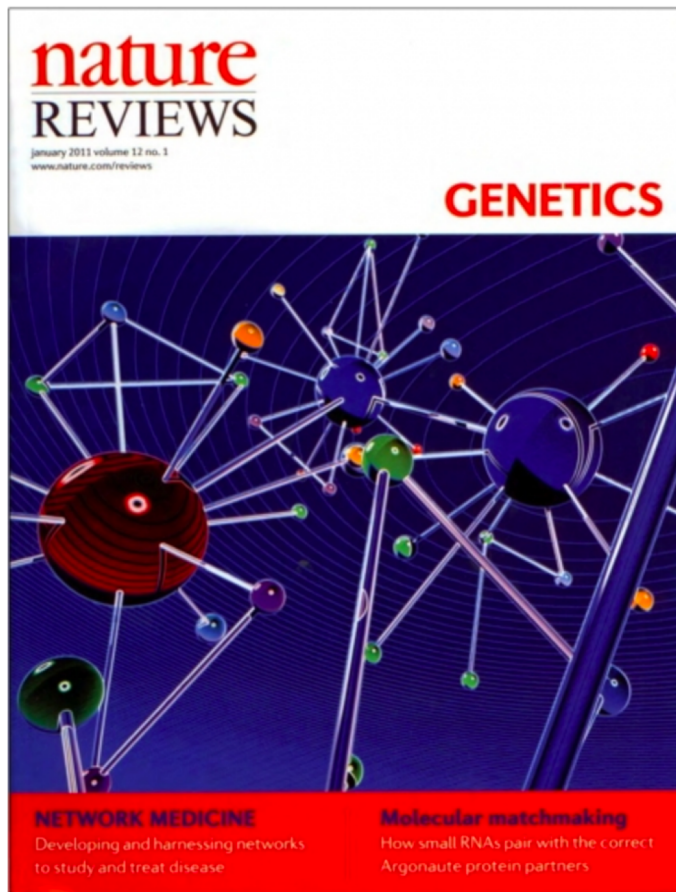
“The most successful companies of the 21st century, from Google to Facebook, Twitter, LinkedIn, Cisco, Apple and Akamai, base their technology and business model on networks”

A.-L. Barabási

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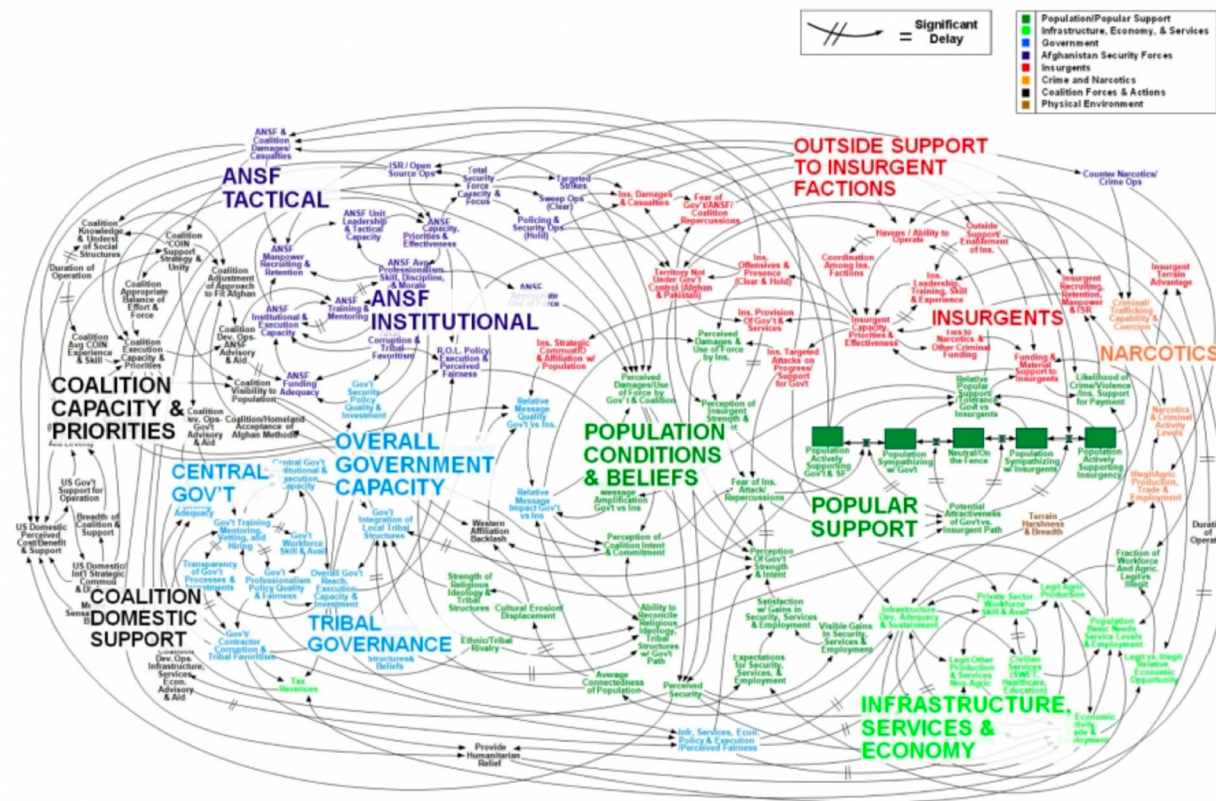
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Health: From Drug Design to Metabolic Engineering



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# Security: Fighting Terrorism



This diagram was designed during the Afghan war in 2012 to portray the American operational plans in Afghanistan



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### Epidemics: from Forecasting to Halting Deadly Viruses

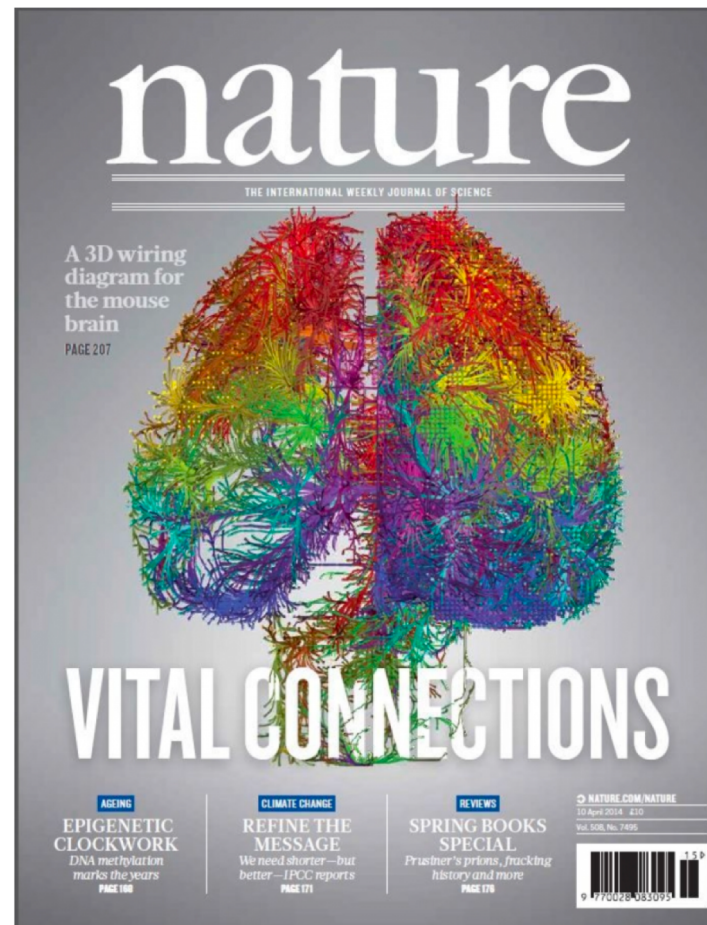


The predicted spread of the H1N1 epidemics during 2009, representing the first successful real-time prediction of a pandemic

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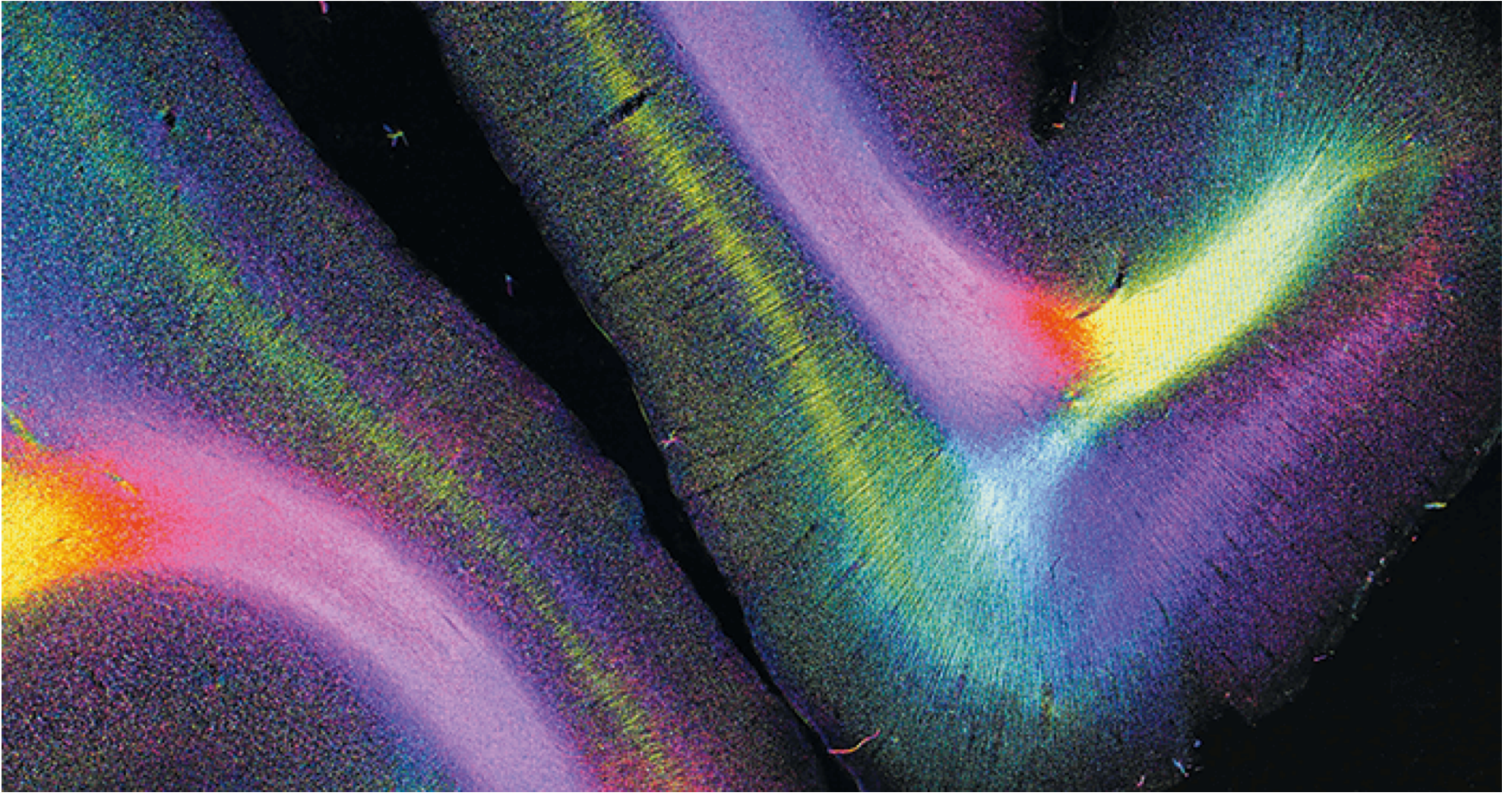
Neuroscience: Mapping the Brain





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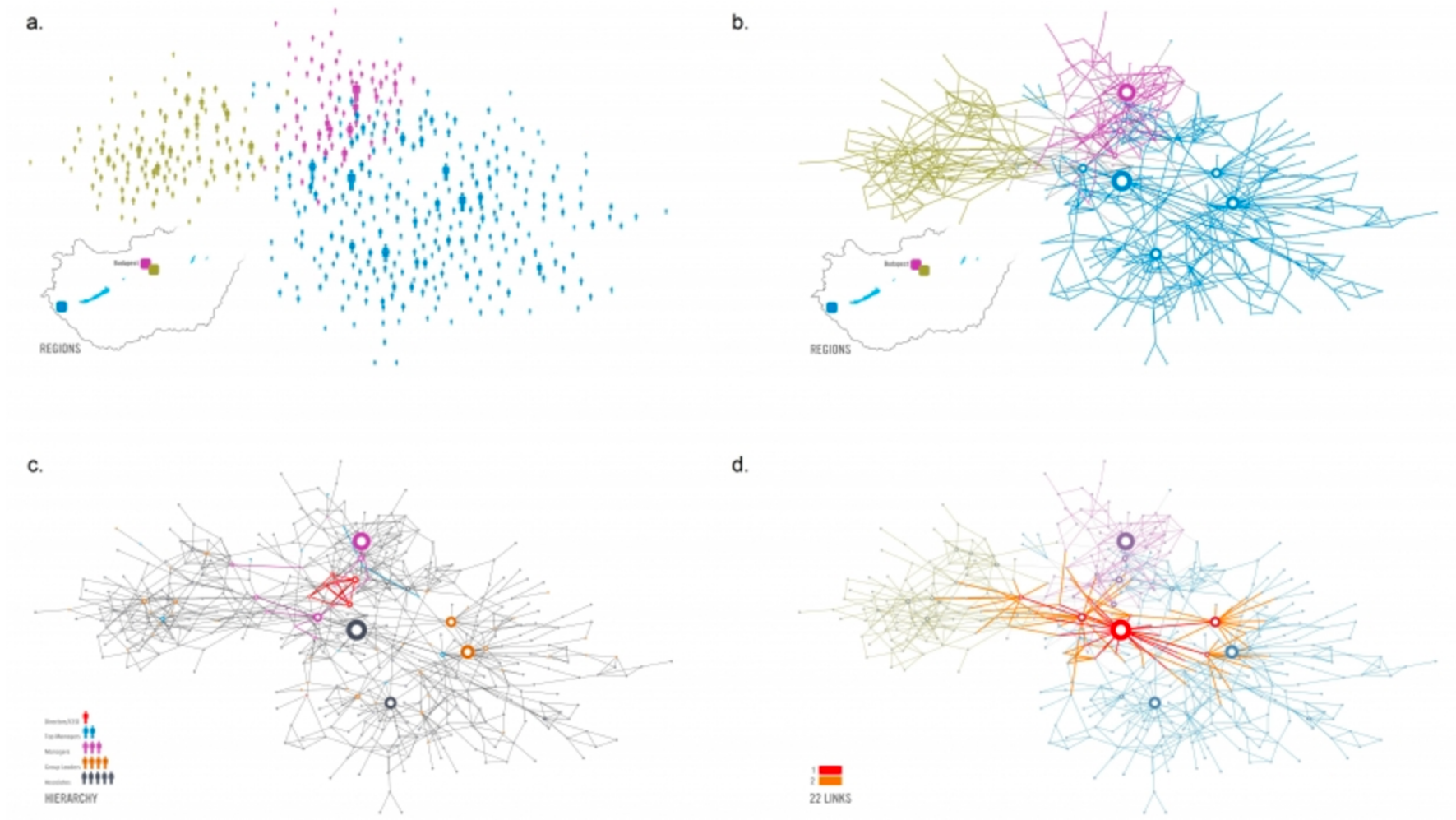




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### Management: Uncovering the Internal Structure of an Organization



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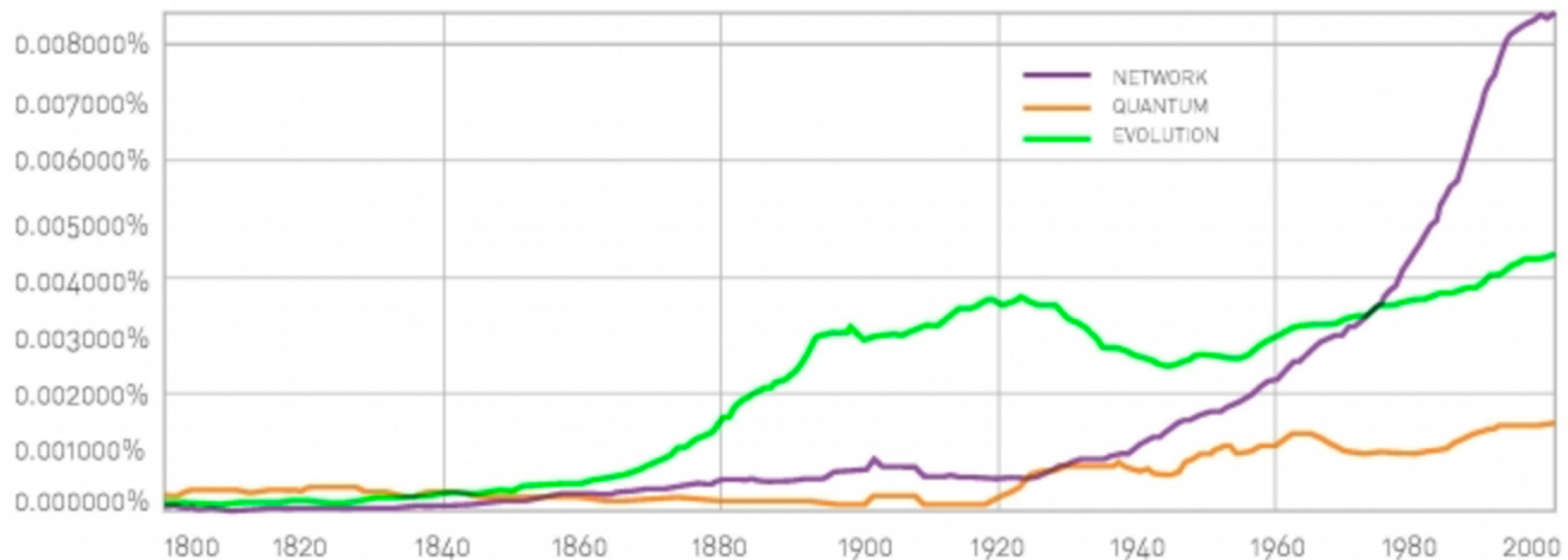


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## Network Science

### The Rise of Networks:

The frequency of use of the words *evolution*, *quantum*, and *network* in books since 1880



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## Network Science

“Network science is an enabling platform, offering novel tools and perspectives for a wide range of scientific problems, from social networking to drug design.”

A.-L. Barabási

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## Network Science

“A key discovery of network science is that **the architecture of networks** emerging in various domains of science, nature, and technology **are similar to each other**,

a consequence of being **governed by the same organizing principles**.

Consequently we can use a **common set of mathematical tools** to explore these systems.”

A.-L. Barabási



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The origin of graph theory: the Bridges of Königsberg

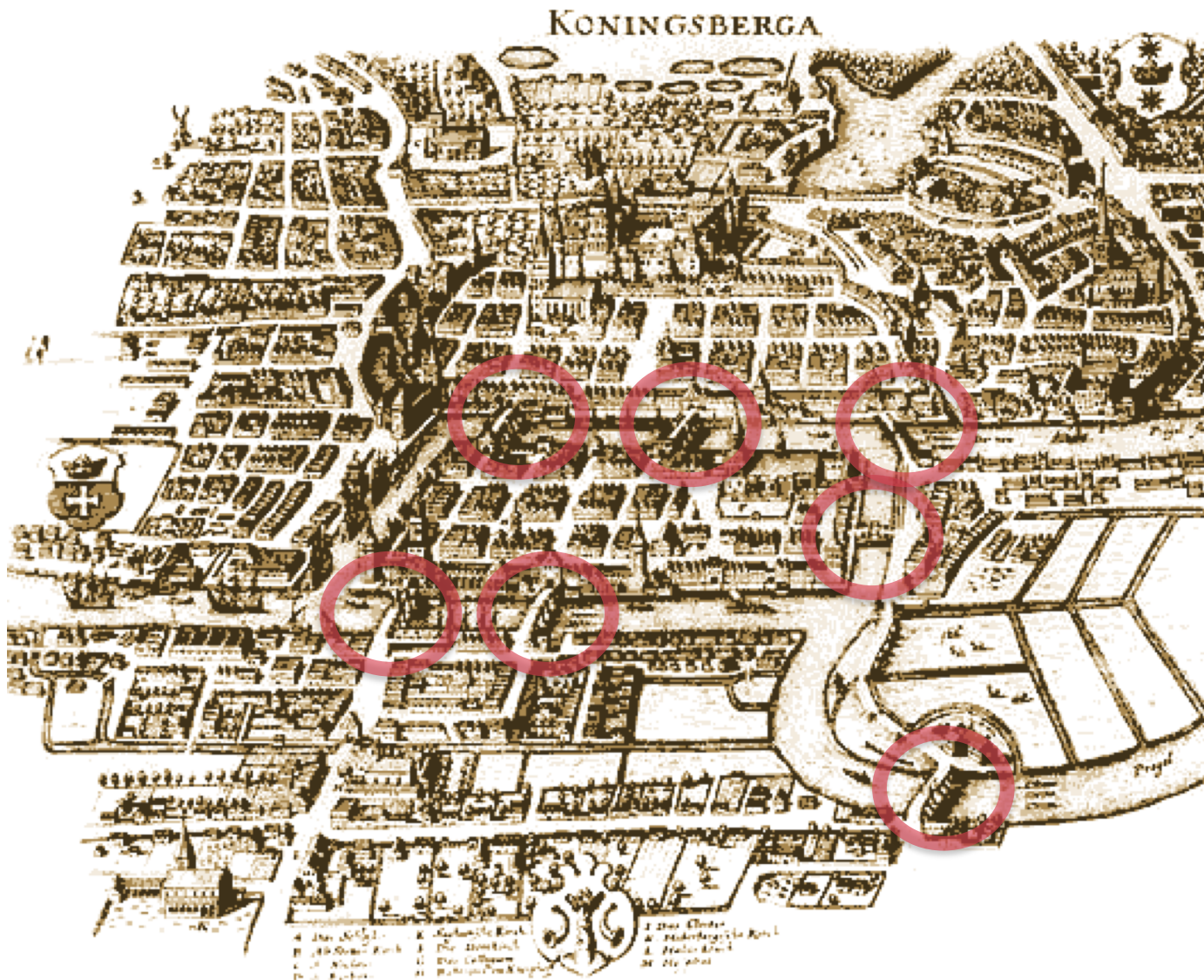
A satellite view of the Earth showing Europe and Africa, with the text "The Seven Bridges of Königsberg" overlaid in white. The image is a high-resolution satellite photograph of the Earth, showing the continents of Europe and Africa. The text "The Seven Bridges of Königsberg" is overlaid in white, centered over the Atlantic Ocean between the two continents.

The Seven Bridges of Königsberg



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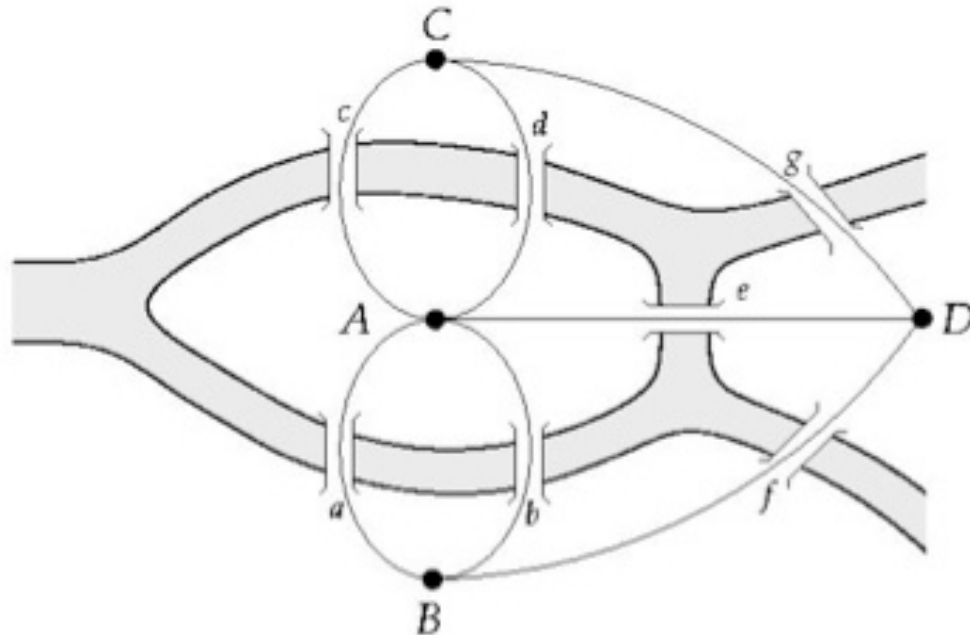
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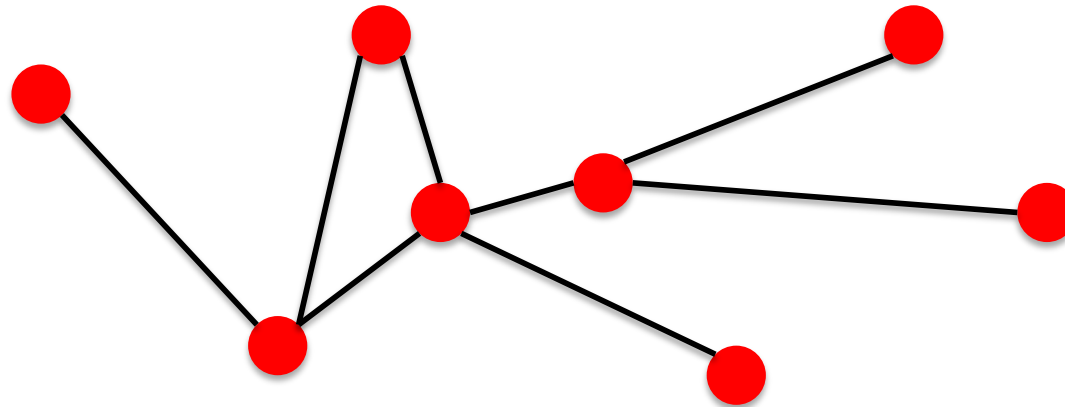
**1735: Euler's theorem:**

- (a) If a graph has more than two nodes of odd degree, there is no path.
- (b) If a graph is connected and has no odd degree nodes, it has at least one path.



# Complex Networks

## Networks and Graphs



- **components:** nodes, vertices  $N$
- **interactions:** links, edges  $L$
- **system:** network, graph  $(N,L)$

Network Science: Graph Theory

# Complex Networks

## Networks and Graphs

### Networks or Graphs?

In the scientific literature the terms *network* and *graph* are used interchangeably:

#### Network Science

Network

Node

Link

#### Graph Theory

Graph

Vertex

Edge

***network*** often refers to real systems

***graph***: mathematical representation of a network

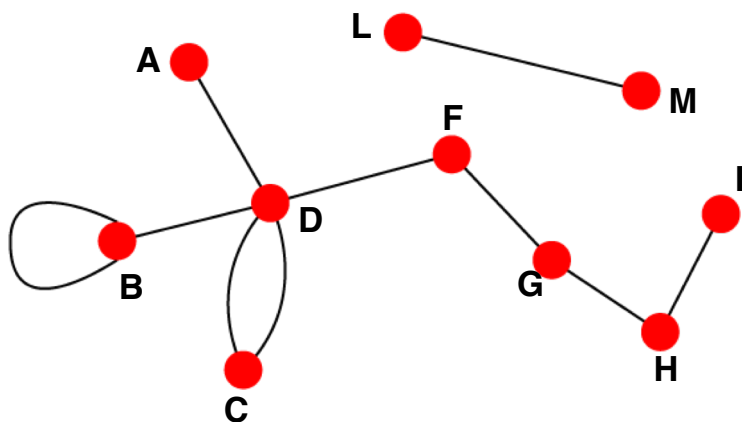
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## Networks and Graphs

### Undirected

Links: undirected (*symmetrical*)

Graph:



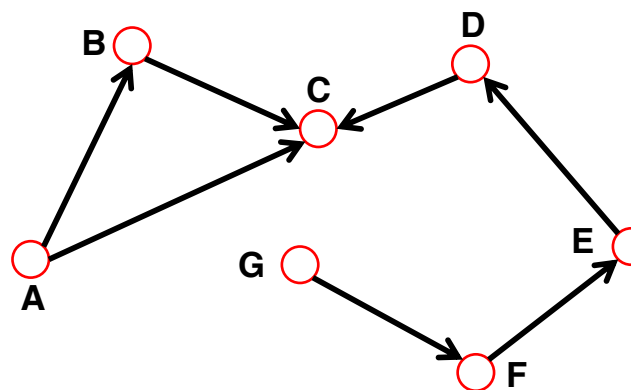
#### Undirected links :

coauthorship links  
Actor network  
protein interactions

### Directed

Links: directed (*arcs*).

Digraph = directed graph:



*An undirected link is the superposition of two opposite directed links.*

#### Directed links :

URLs on the www  
phone calls  
metabolic reactions

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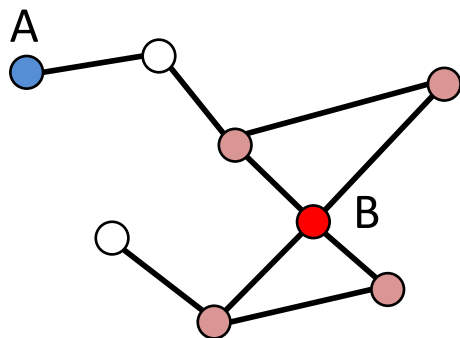
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## Degree, Average Degree, and Degree Distribution

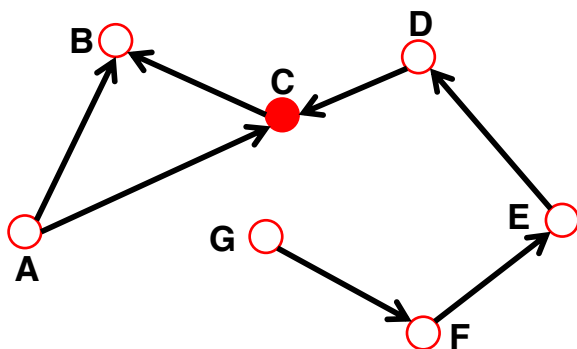
Undirected



Node degree: the number of links connected to the node.

$$k_A = 1 \quad k_B = 4$$

Directed



In *directed networks* we can define an **in-degree** and **out-degree**.

The (total) degree is the sum of in- and out-degree.

$$k_C^{in} = 2 \quad k_C^{out} = 1 \quad k_C = 3$$

**Source**: a node with  $k^{in} = 0$ ; **Sink**: a node with  $k^{out} = 0$ .

# Complex Networks

## Degree, Average Degree, and Degree Distribution

### BRIEF STATISTICS REVIEW

Four key quantities characterize a sample of  $N$  values  $x_1, \dots, x_N$ :

*Average (mean):*

$$\langle x \rangle = \frac{x_1 + x_2 + \dots + x_N}{N} = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N x_i$$

*The  $n^{\text{th}}$  moment:*

$$\langle x^n \rangle = \frac{x_1^n + x_2^n + \dots + x_N^n}{N} = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N x_i^n$$

*Standard deviation:*

$$\sigma_x = \sqrt{\frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N (x_i - \langle x \rangle)^2}$$

*Distribution of  $x$ :*

$$p_x = \frac{1}{N} \sum_i \delta_{x, x_i}$$

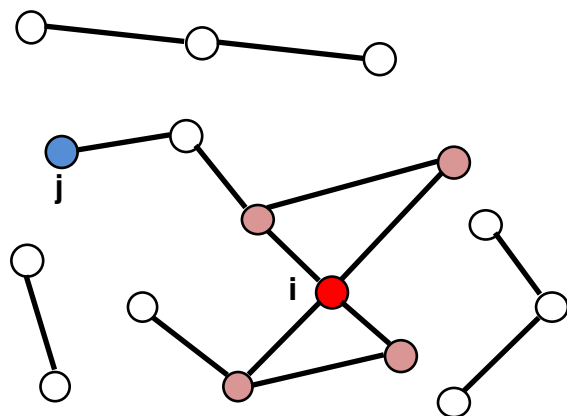
where  $p_x$  follows

$$\sum_i p_x = 1 \quad \left( \int p_x dx = 1 \right)$$

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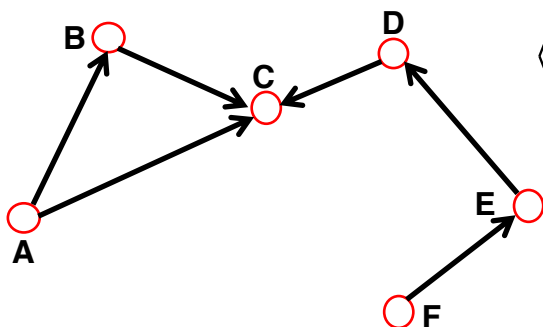
Undirected



$$\langle k \rangle \equiv \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N k_i \quad \langle k \rangle \equiv \frac{2L}{N}$$

N – the number of nodes in the graph

Directed



$$\langle k^{in} \rangle \equiv \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N k_i^{in}, \quad \langle k^{out} \rangle \equiv \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N k_i^{out}, \quad \langle k^{in} \rangle = \langle k^{out} \rangle$$

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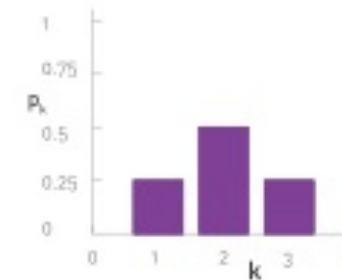
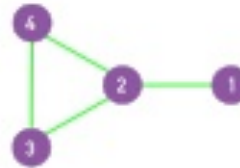


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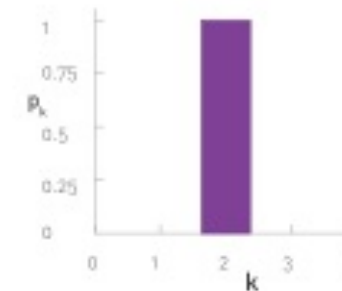
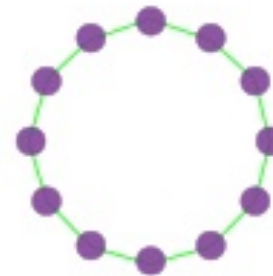
### Degree distribution

$P(k)$ : probability that a randomly chosen node has degree  $k$



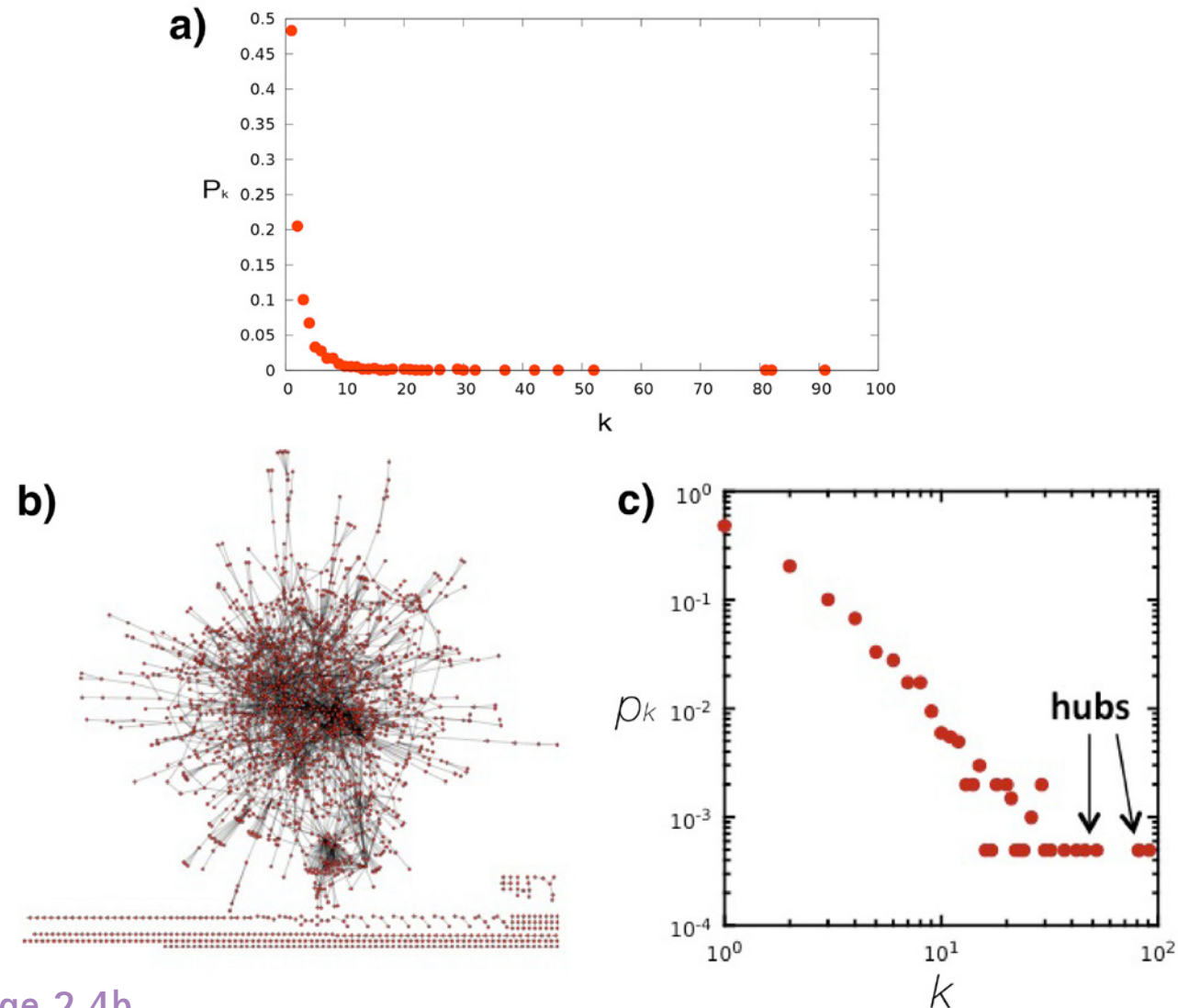
$N_k = \# \text{ nodes with degree } k$

$P(k) = N_k / N \rightarrow \text{plot}$



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## Degree, Average Degree, and Degree Distribution



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**Discrete Representation:**  $p_k$  is the probability that a node has degree  $k$ .

**Continuum Description:**  $p(k)$  is the pdf of the degrees, where

$$\int_{k_1}^{k_2} p(k) dk$$

represents the probability that a node's degree is between  $k_1$  and  $k_2$ .

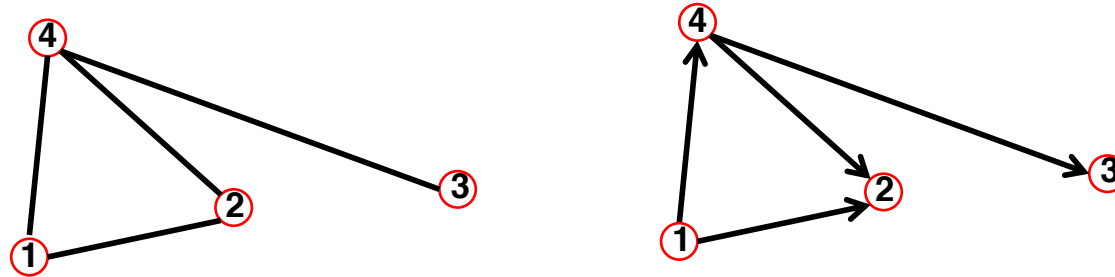
**Normalization condition:**

$$\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} p_k = 1 \qquad \int_{K_{\min}}^{\infty} p(k) dk = 1$$

where  $K_{\min}$  is the minimal degree in the network.

# Complex Networks

## Adjacency Matrix Representation



$A_{ij}=1$  if there is a link between node  $i$  and  $j$

$A_{ij}=0$  if nodes  $i$  and  $j$  are not connected to each other.

$$A_{ij} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad A_{ij} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

Note that for a directed graph (right) the matrix is not symmetric.

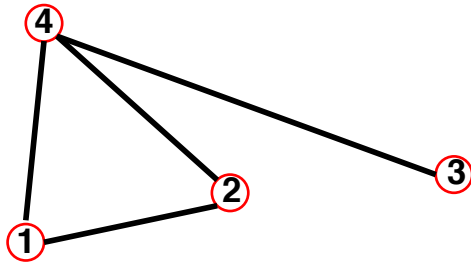
$A_{ij} = 1$  if there is a link pointing from node  $j$  and  $i$

$A_{ij} = 0$  if there is no link pointing from  $j$  to  $i$

# Complex Networks

## Adjacency Matrix Representation

Undirected



$$A_{ij} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$A_{ij} = A_{ji}$$

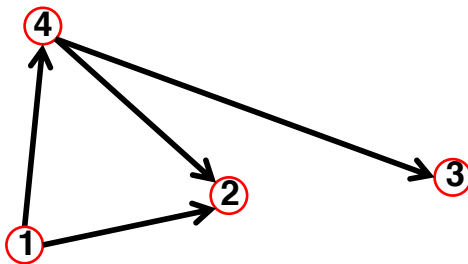
$$A_{ii} = 0$$

$$k_i = \sum_{j=1}^N A_{ij}$$

$$k_j = \sum_{i=1}^N A_{ij}$$

$$L = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^N k_i = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{ij} A_{ij}$$

Directed



$$A_{ij} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$A_{ij} \neq A_{ji}$$

$$A_{ii} = 0$$

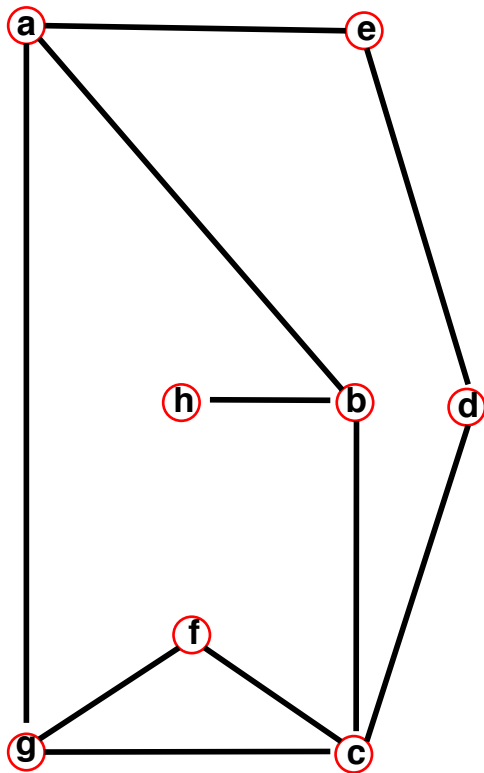
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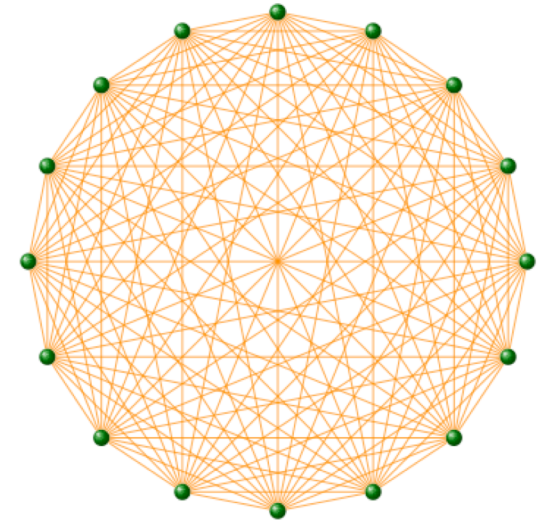


	a	b	c	d	e	f	g	h
a	0	1	0	0	1	0	1	0
b	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
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d	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0
e	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
f	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0
g	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
h	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0

# Complex Networks

**Real Networks are Sparse**

The maximum number of links a network of  $N$  nodes can have is:  $L_{\max} = \binom{N}{2} = \frac{N(N-1)}{2}$



A graph with degree  $L = L_{\max}$  is called a **complete graph**, and its average degree is  $\langle k \rangle = N-1$

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**Real Networks are Sparse**

**Most networks observed in real systems are sparse:**

$$L \ll L_{\max}$$

or

$$\langle k \rangle \ll N-1$$

WWW (ND Sample):	N=325,729;	$L=1.4 \cdot 10^6$	$L_{\max}=10^{12}$	$\langle k \rangle=4.51$
Protein ( <i>S. Cerevisiae</i> ):	N= 1,870;	$L=4,470$	$L_{\max}=10^7$	$\langle k \rangle=2.39$
Coauthorship (Math):	N= 70,975;	$L=2 \cdot 10^5$	$L_{\max}=3 \cdot 10^{10}$	$\langle k \rangle=3.9$
Movie Actors:	N=212,250;	$L=6 \cdot 10^6$	$L_{\max}=1.8 \cdot 10^{13}$	$\langle k \rangle=28.78$

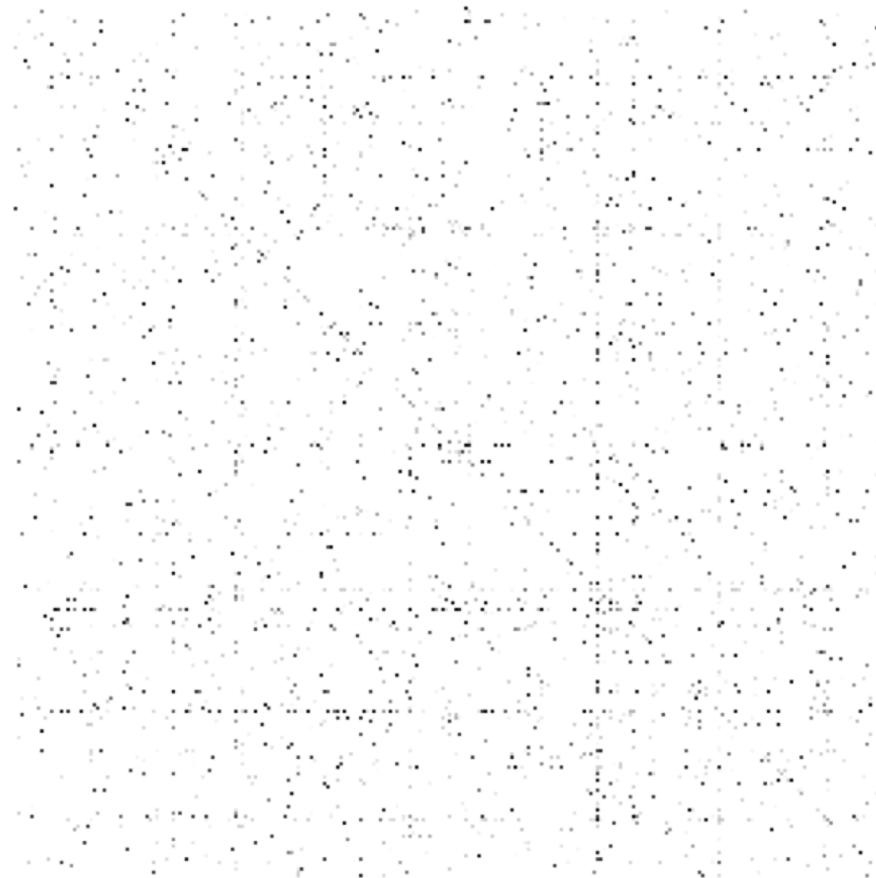
(Source: Albert, Barabasi, RMP2002)

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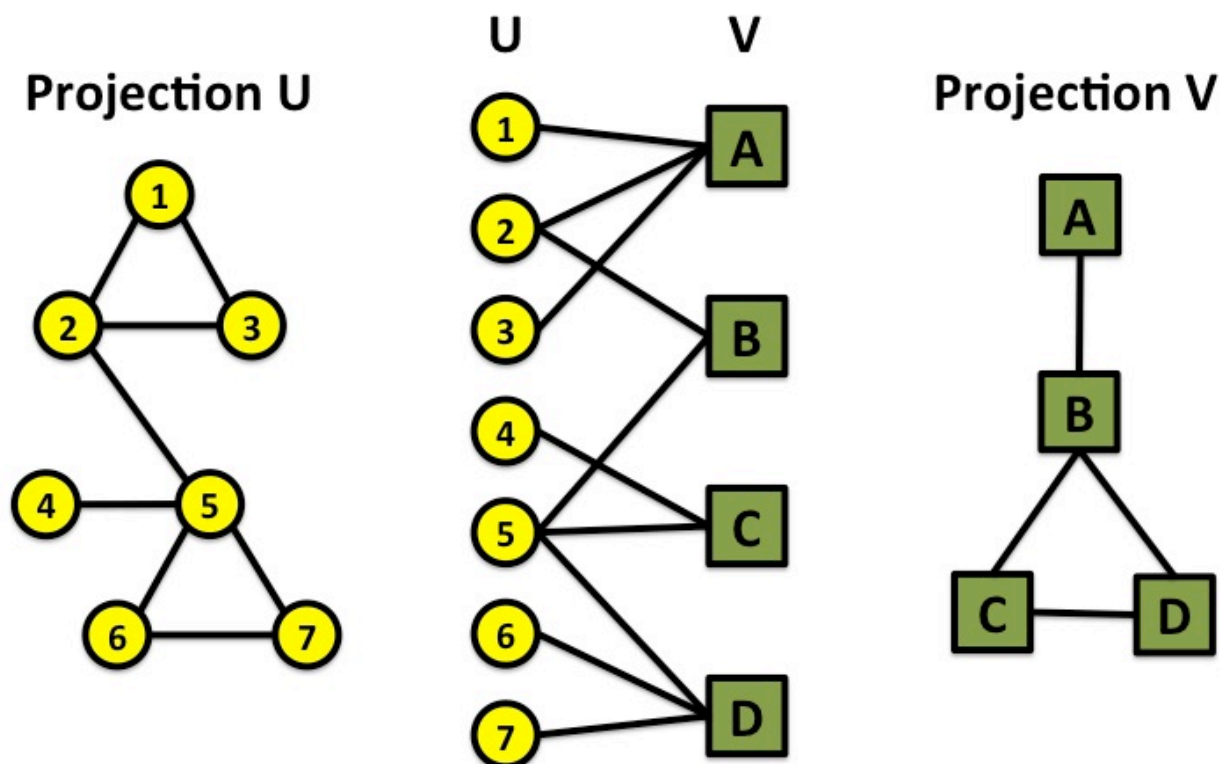
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## Bipartite Networks

A bipartite graph (or bigraph) is a [graph](#) whose nodes can be divided into two [disjoint sets](#)  $U$  and  $V$  such that every link connects a node in  $U$  to one in  $V$ , that is,  $U$  and  $V$  are [independent sets](#).

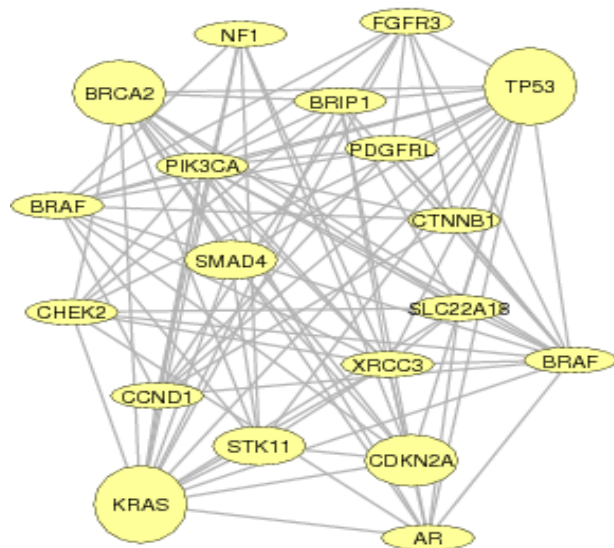


## Examples:

Hollywood actor network  
Collaboration networks  
Disease network (diseasome)

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## Bipartite Networks

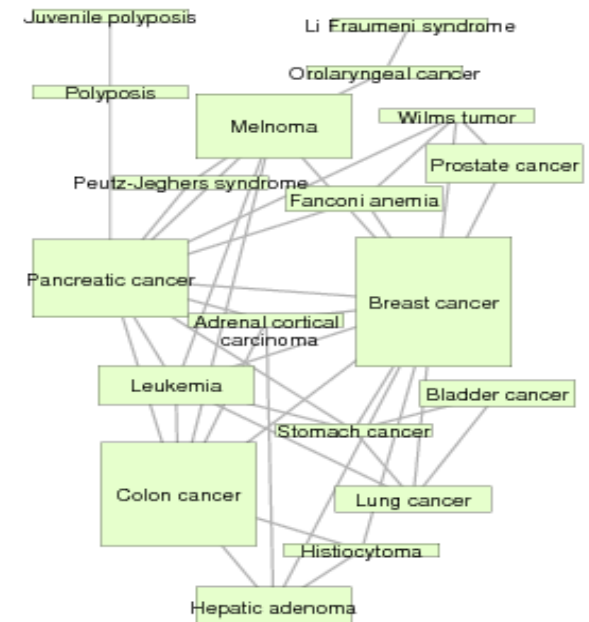
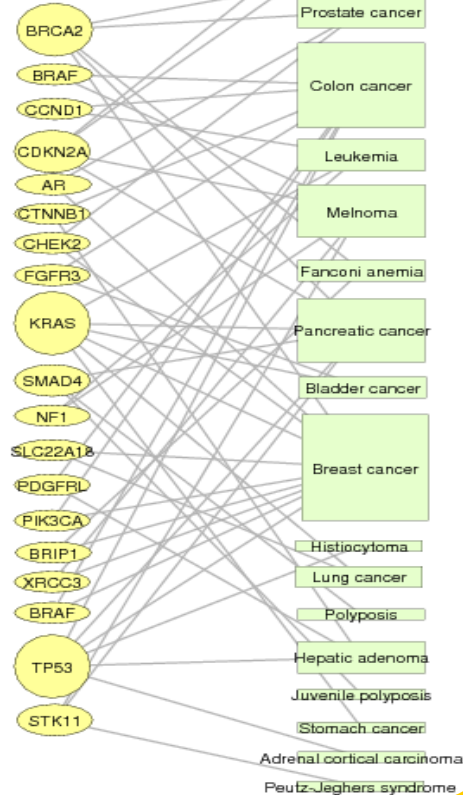


**Gene network**

### DISEASOME

### PHENOME

#### GENOME

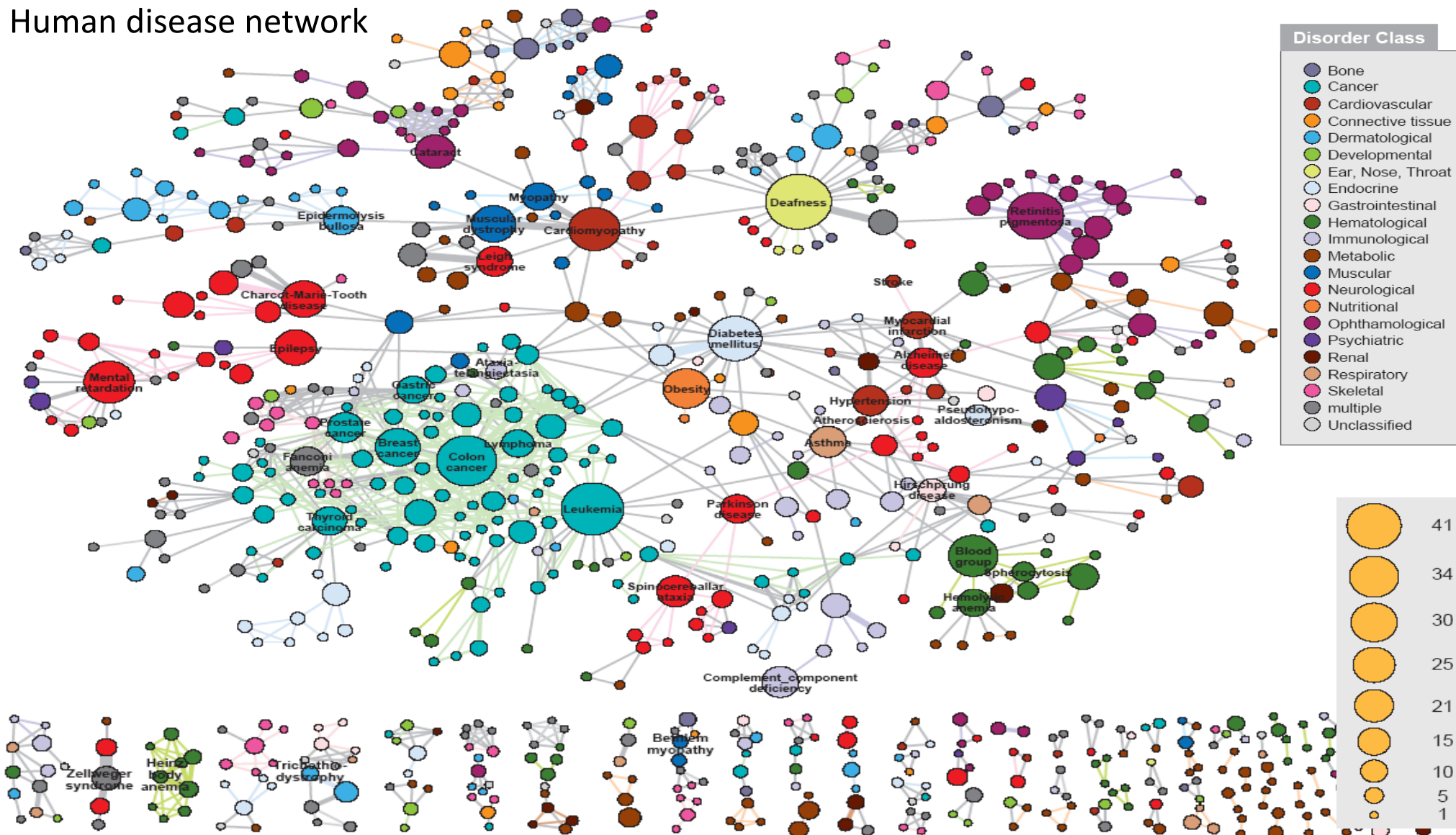


**Disease network**

*Goh, Cusick, Valle, Childs, Vidal & Barabási, PNAS (2007)*

# Bipartite Networks

## Human disease network



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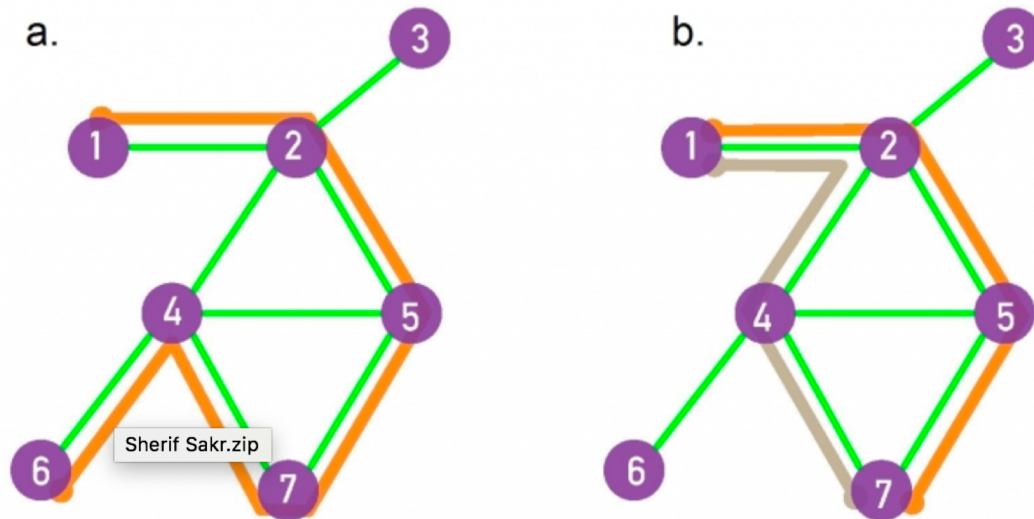
## Paths

A *path* is a sequence of nodes in which each node is adjacent to the next one

$P_{i_0, i_n}$  of length  $n$  between nodes  $i_0$  and  $i_n$  is an ordered collection of  $n+1$  nodes and  $n$  links

$$P_n = \{i_0, i_1, i_2, \dots, i_n\}$$

$$P_n = \{(i_0, i_1), (i_1, i_2), (i_2, i_3), \dots, (i_{n-1}, i_n)\}$$



The path shown in orange in (a) follows the route  $1 \rightarrow 2 \rightarrow 5 \rightarrow 7 \rightarrow 4 \rightarrow 6$ , hence its length is  $n = 5$ .

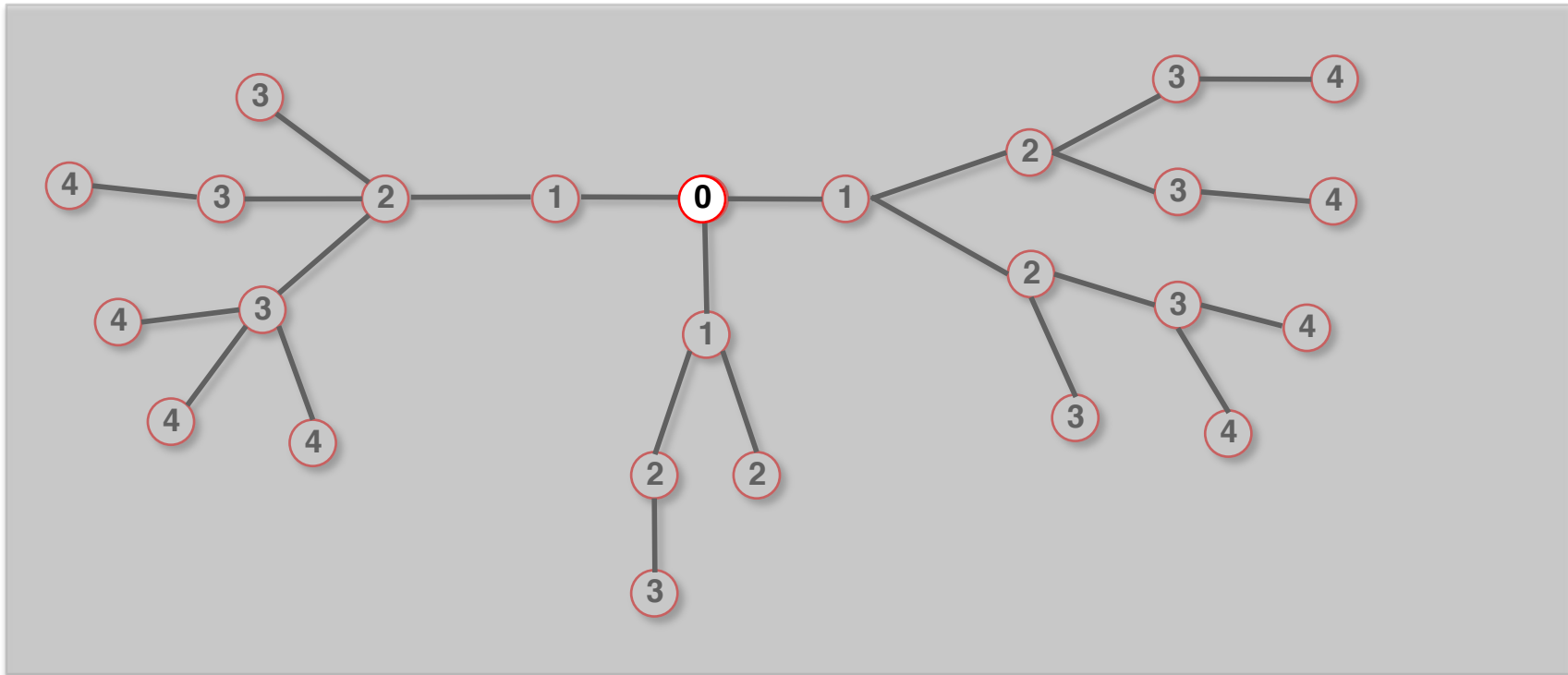
The network diameter is the largest distance in the network, being  $d_{max} = 3$  here.

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## Paths – Breadth-First Search

**Distance between node 0 and node 4:**

1. Start at 0.

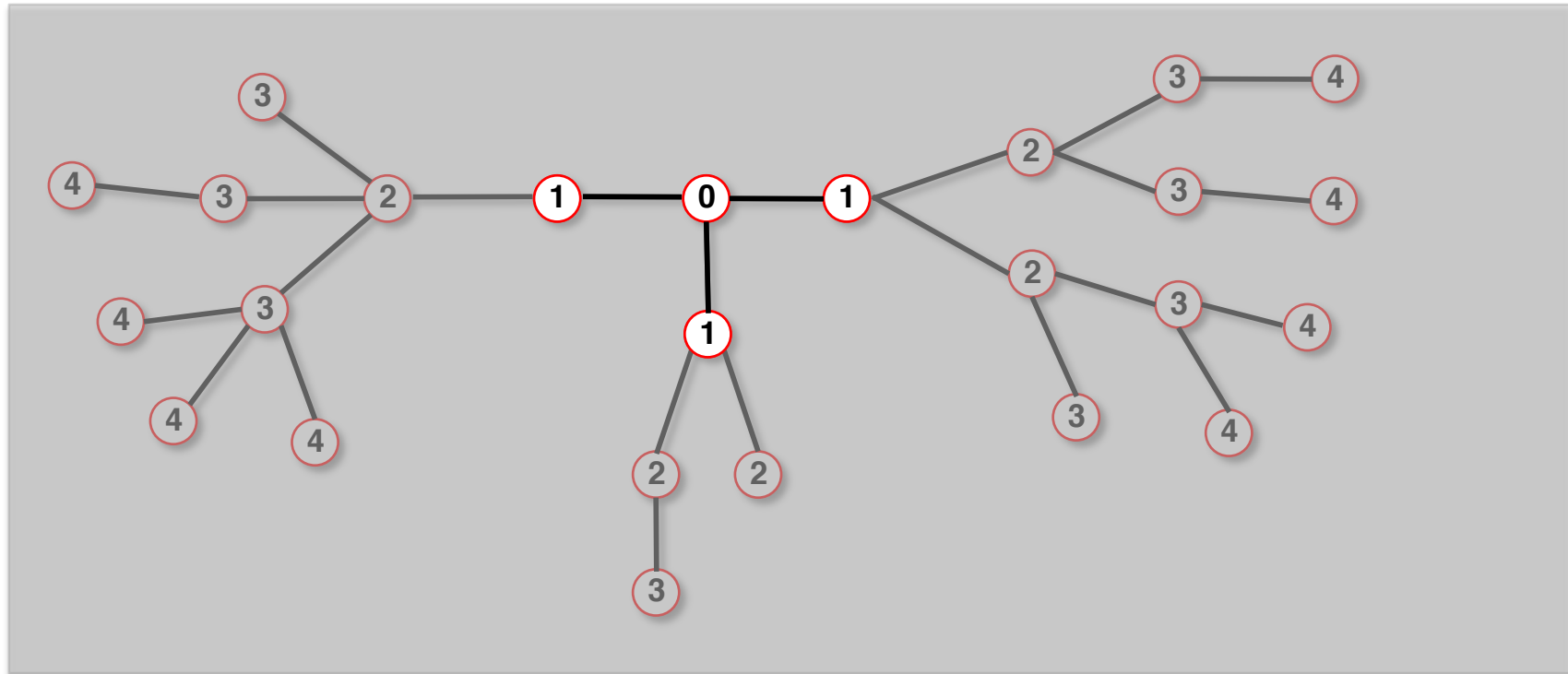


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## Paths – Breadth-First Search

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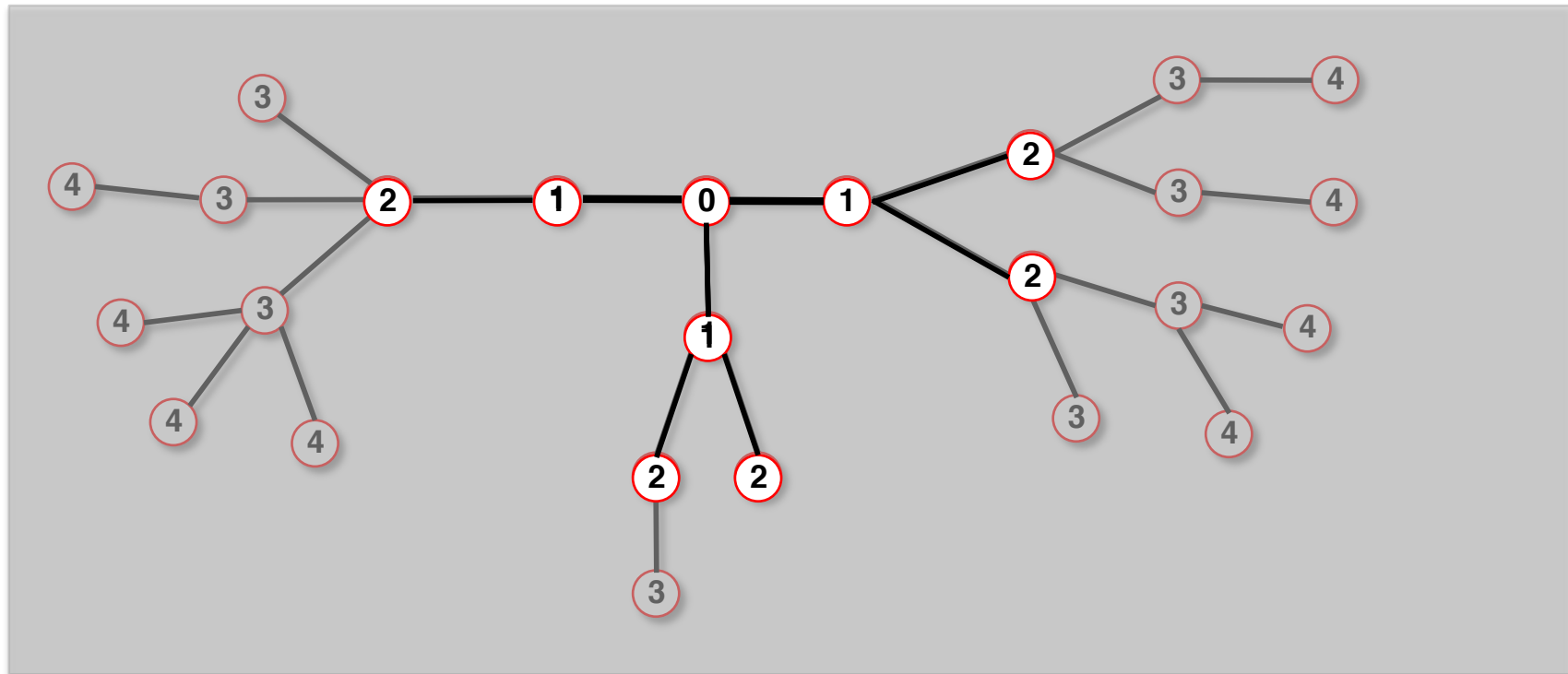


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## Paths – Breadth-First Search

**Distance between node 0 and node 4:**

1. Start at 0.
2. Find the nodes adjacent to 0. Mark them as at distance 1. Put them in a queue.
3. Take the first node out of the queue. Find the unmarked nodes adjacent to it in the graph. Mark them with the label of 2. Put them in the queue.



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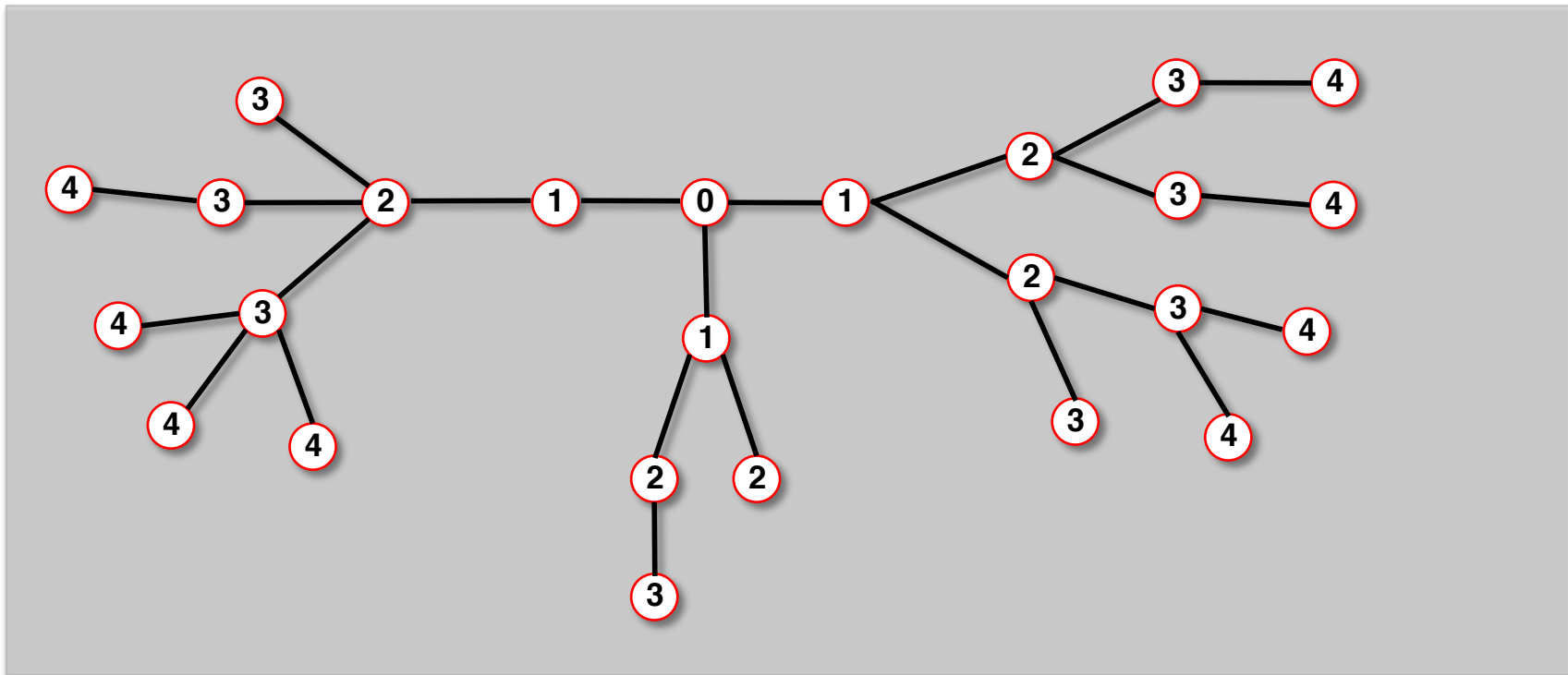


# Complex Networks

## Paths – Breadth-First Search

**Distance between node 0 and node 4:**

1. Repeat until you find node 4 or there are no more nodes in the queue.
2. The distance between 0 and 4 is the label of 4 or, if 4 does not have a label, infinity.



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# Complex Networks

## Paths

*Diameter:*  $d_{\max}$  the maximum distance between any pair of nodes in the graph.

*Average path length/distance,  $\langle d \rangle$ ,* for a **connected graph**:

$$\langle d \rangle \equiv \frac{1}{2L_{\max}} \sum_{i,j \neq i} d_{ij} \quad \text{where } d_{ij} \text{ is the distance from node } i \text{ to node } j$$

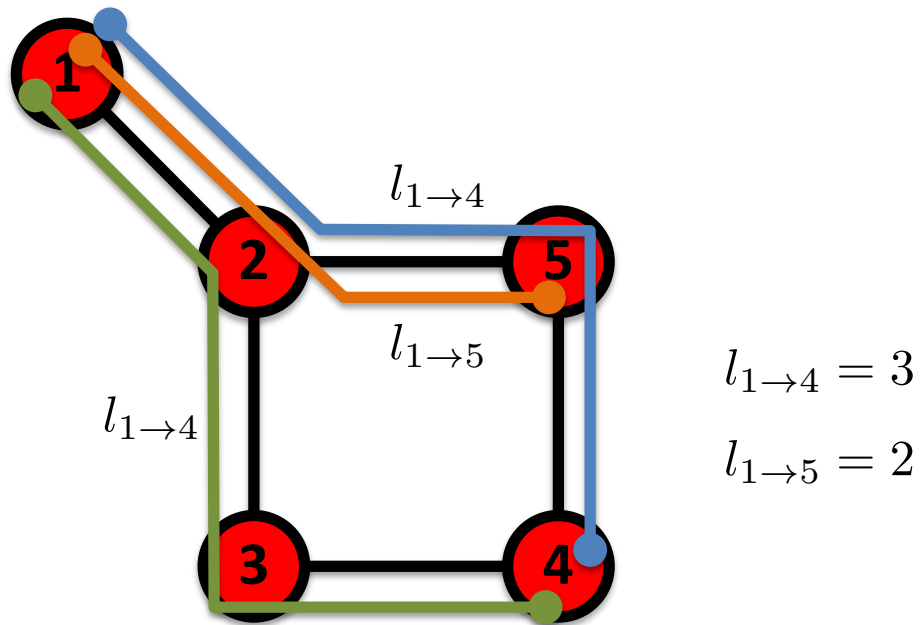
In an *undirected graph*  $d_{ij} = d_{ji}$ , so we only need to count them once:

$$\langle d \rangle \equiv \frac{1}{L_{\max}} \sum_{i,j > i} d_{ij}$$

# Complex Networks

## Paths

### Shortest Path



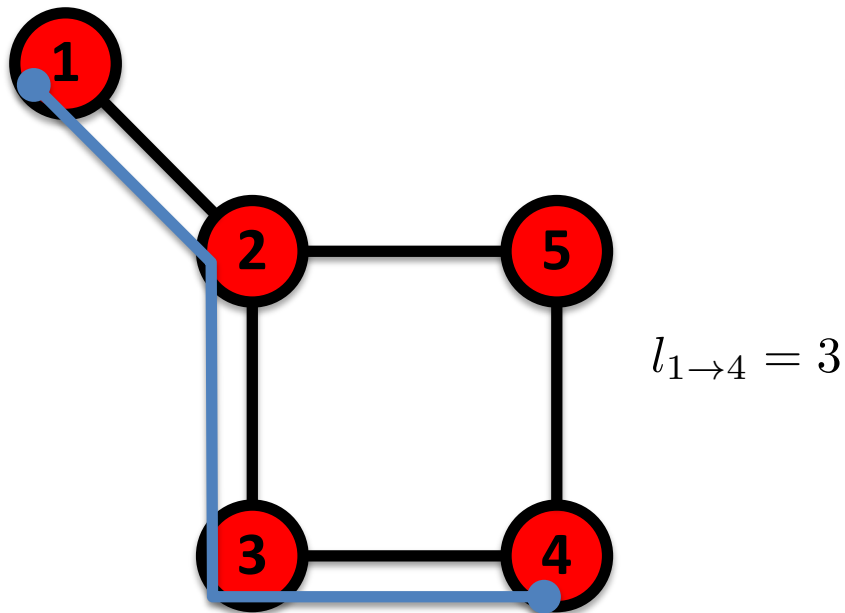
The path with the shortest length between two nodes (distance)

Network Science: Graph Theory

# Complex Networks

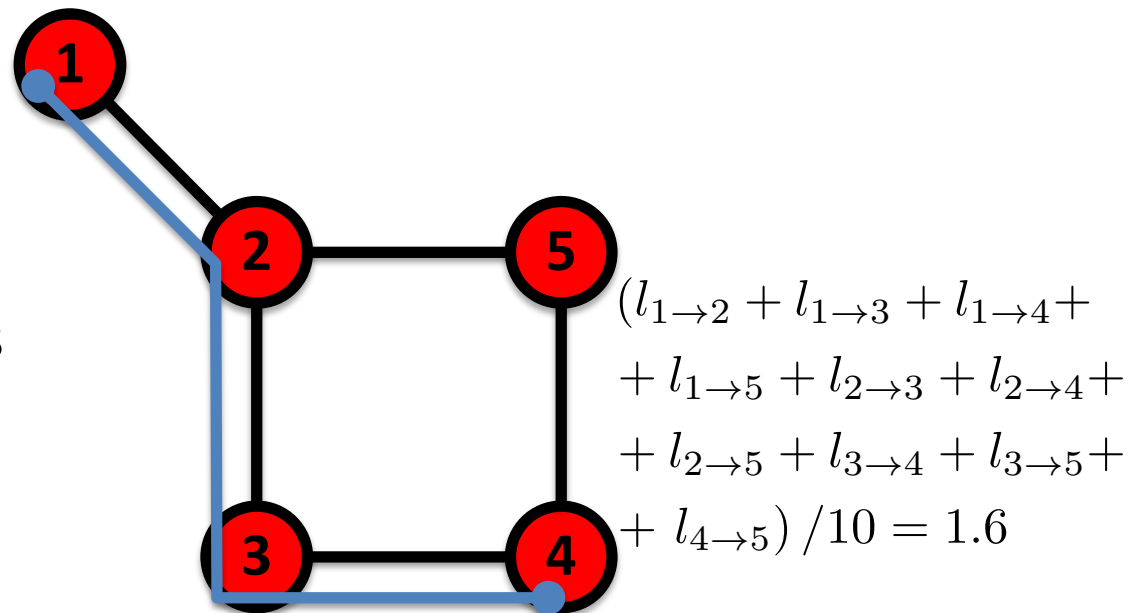
## Paths

### Diameter



The longest shortest path in a graph

### Average Path Length

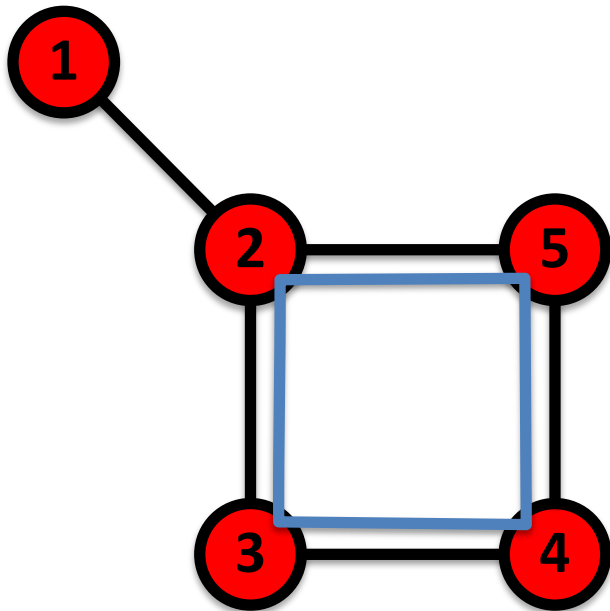


The average of the shortest paths for all pairs of nodes.

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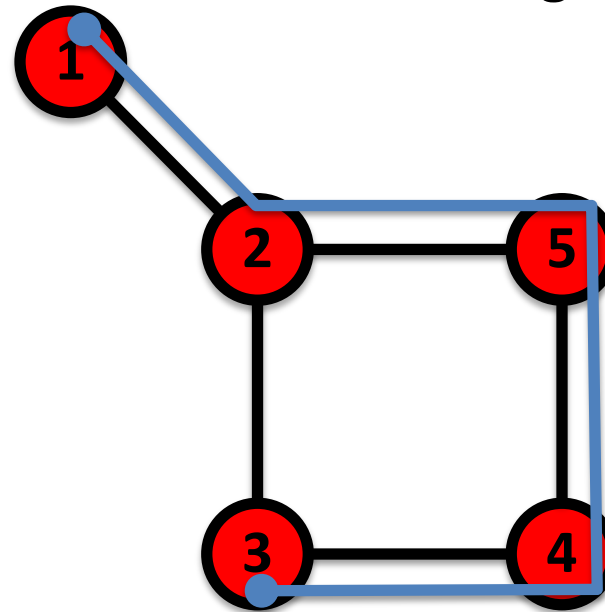
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Cycle



A path with the same start and end node.

Self-avoiding Path

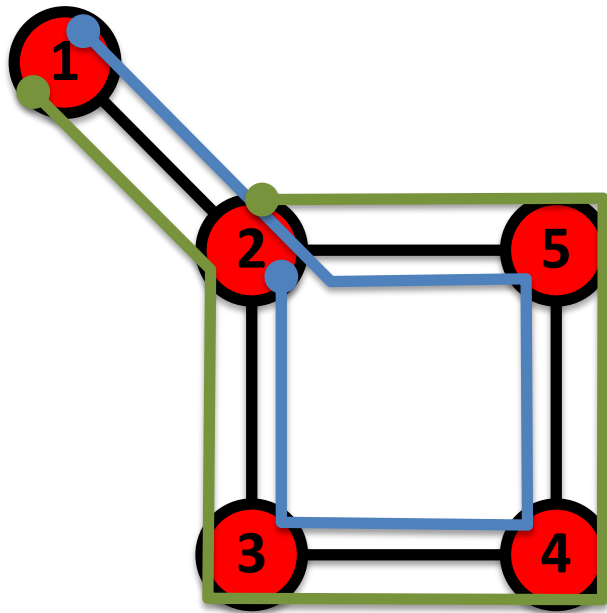


A path that does not intersect itself.

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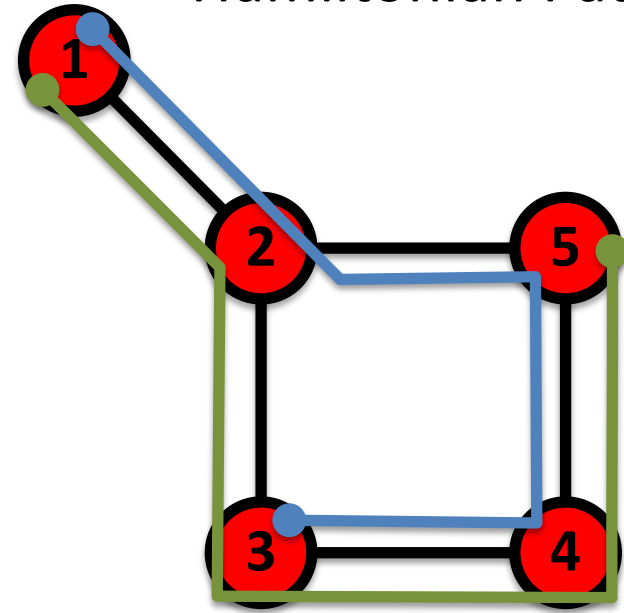
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Eulerian Path



A path that traverses each link exactly once.

Hamiltonian Path

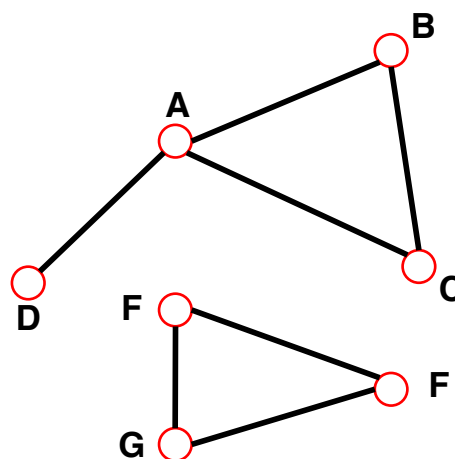
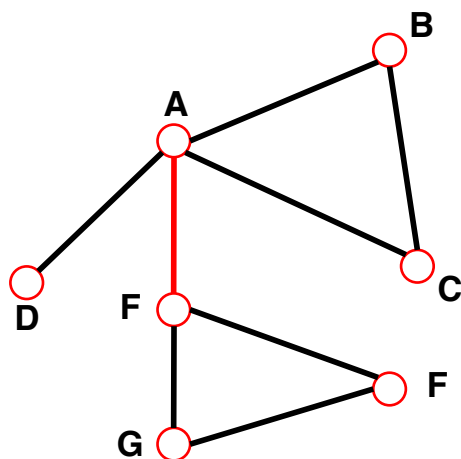


A path that visits each node exactly once.

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## Connectivity & Components: Undirected Graphs

Connected (undirected) graph: any two vertices can be joined by a path.  
A disconnected graph is made up by two or more connected components.



Largest Component:  
**Giant Component**

The rest: **Isolates**

Bridge: if we erase it, the graph becomes disconnected.

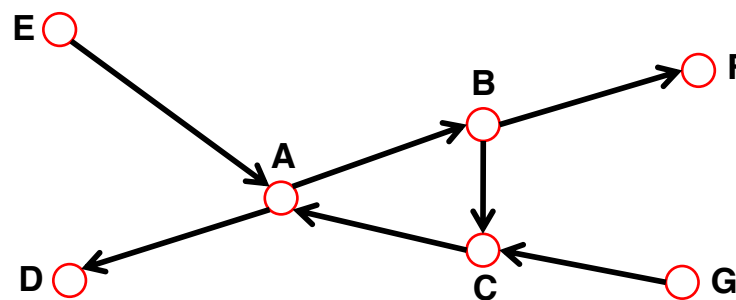
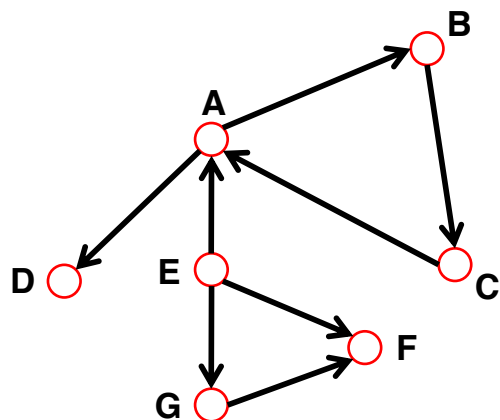
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## Connectivity & Components: Directed Graphs

**Strongly connected directed** graph: has a path from each node to every other node and vice versa [e.g. AB path and BA path].

**Weakly connected** directed graph: it is connected if we disregard the edge directions.

Strongly connected components can be identified, but not every node is part of a nontrivial strongly connected component.



**In-component:** nodes that can reach the scc,

**Out-component:** nodes that can be reached from the scc.



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## Connectivity & Components: Directed Graphs

### Finding the Connected Components of a Network

- Start from a randomly chosen node  $i$  and perform a BFS  
Label all nodes reached this way with  $n = 1$ .
- If the total number of labeled nodes equals  $N$ , then the network is connected. If the number of labeled nodes is smaller than  $N$ , the network consists of several components. To identify them, proceed to step 3.
- Increase the label  $n \rightarrow n + 1$ . Choose an unmarked node  $j$ , label it with  $n$ . Use BFS to find all nodes reachable from  $j$ , label them all with  $n$ . Return to step 2.

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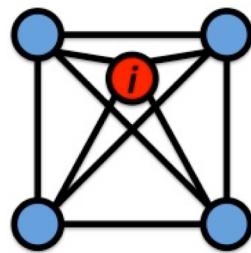
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*Local clustering coefficient:* what fraction of your neighbors are connected?

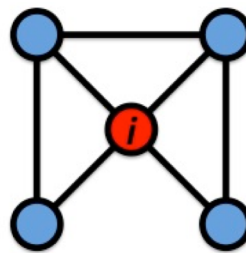
$$C_i = \frac{2L_i}{k_i(k_i-1)}$$

$L_i$  represents the number of links between the  $k_i$  neighbors of node  $i$

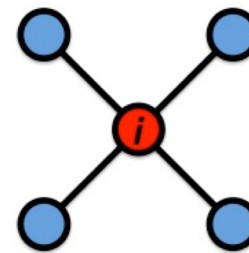
$C_i$  measures the network's local link density: the more densely interconnected the neighborhood of node  $i$ , the higher is its local clustering coefficient.  $C_i$  in  $[0,1]$



$$C_i = 1$$



$$C_i = 1/2$$



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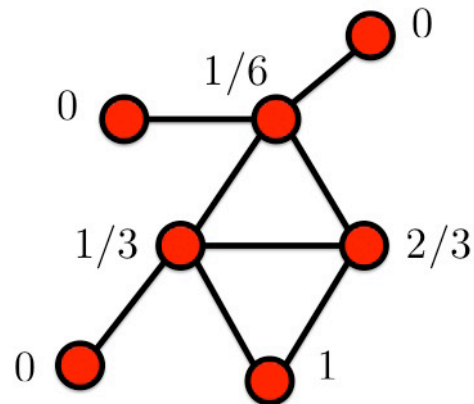
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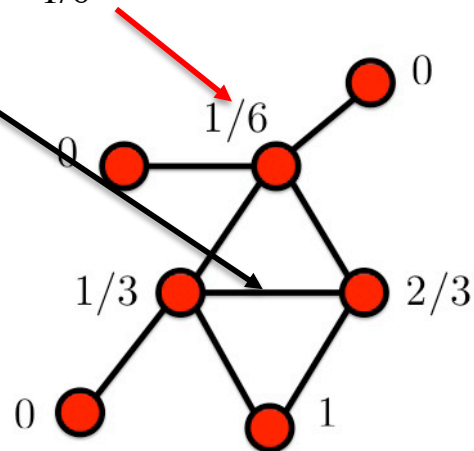
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$$C_i = \frac{2L_i}{k_i(k_i-1)} \Rightarrow (2 \times 1) / (4 \times 3) = 1/6$$



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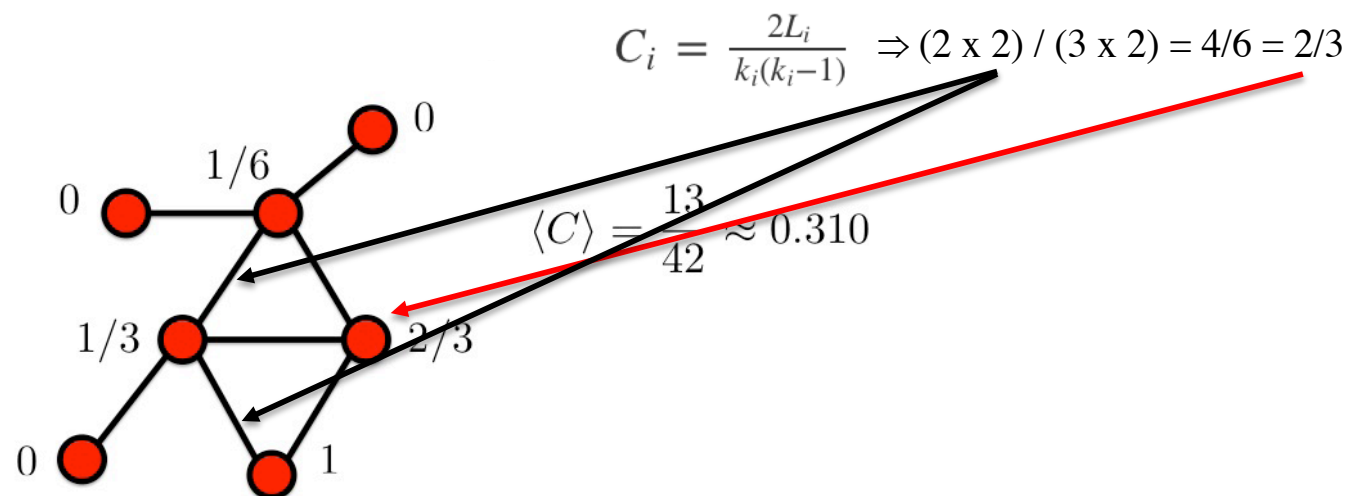
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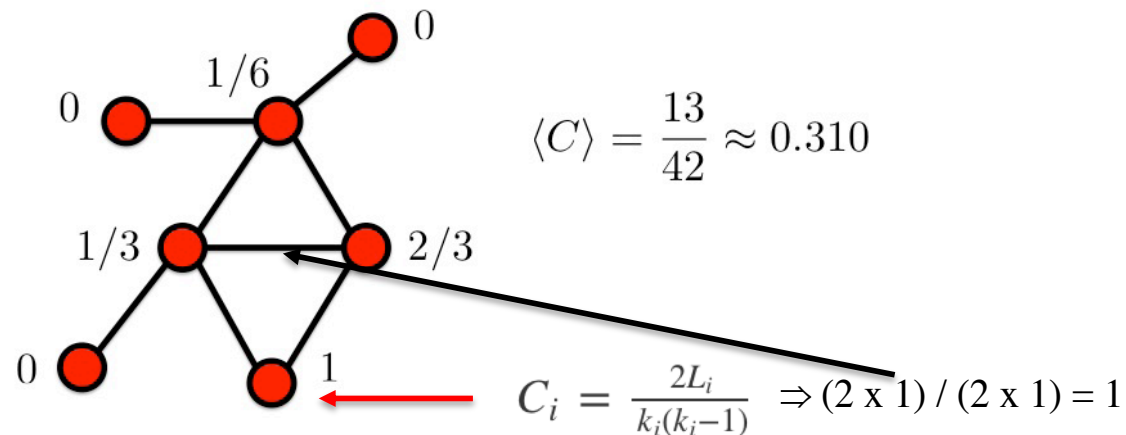
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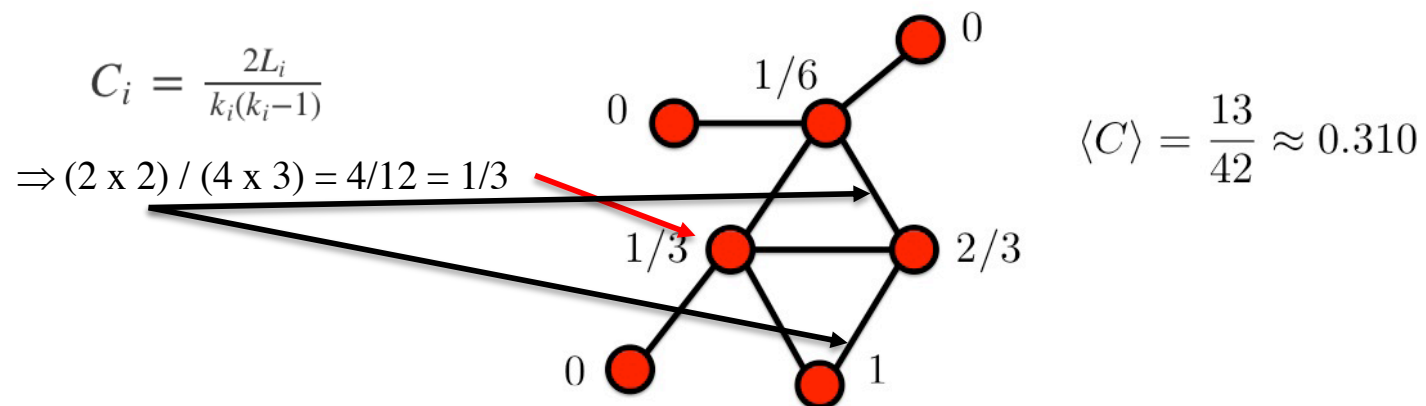
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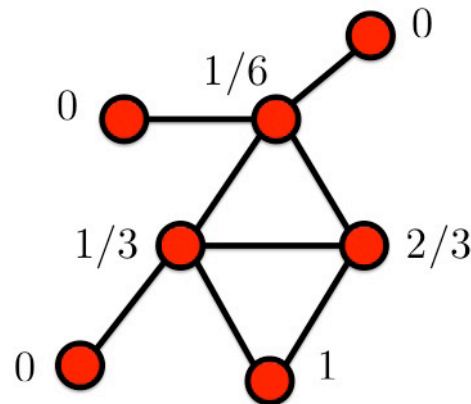
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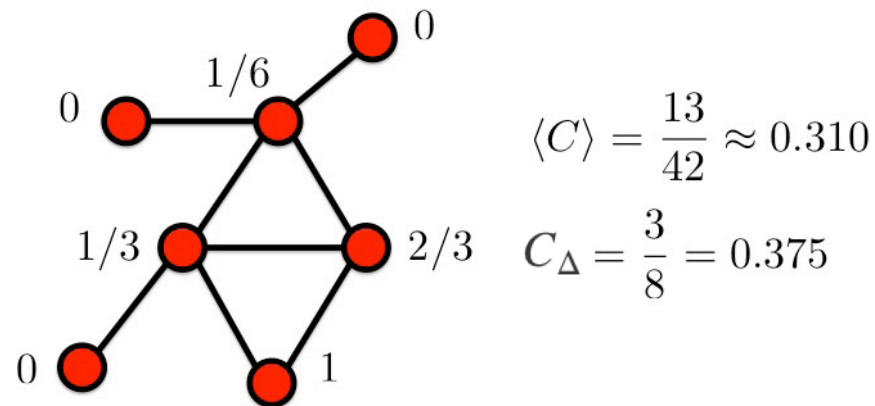


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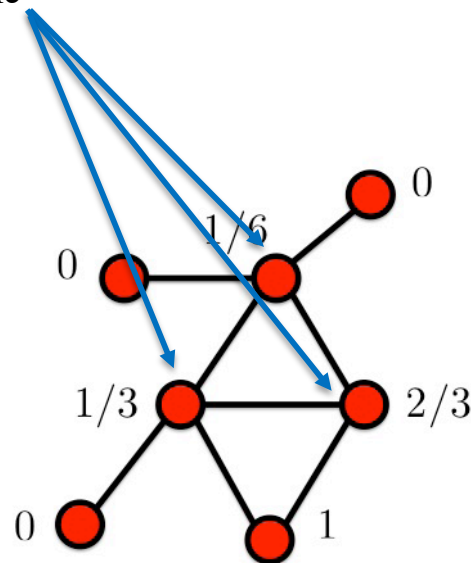
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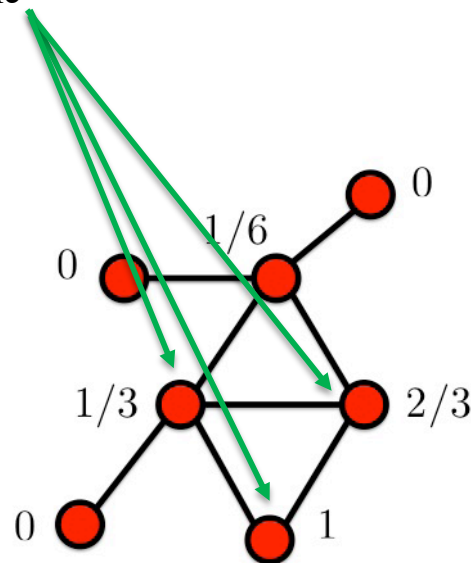
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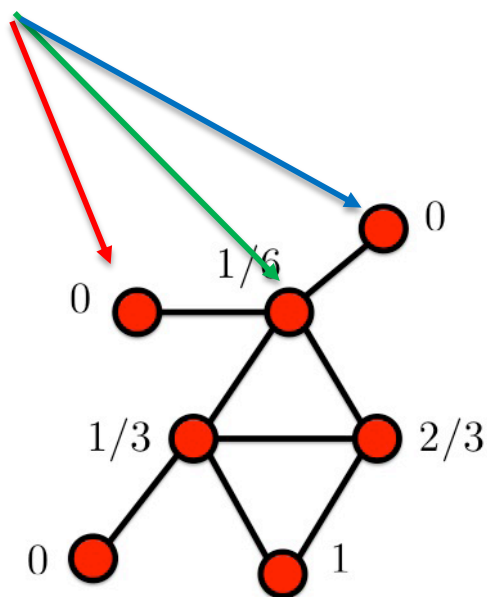
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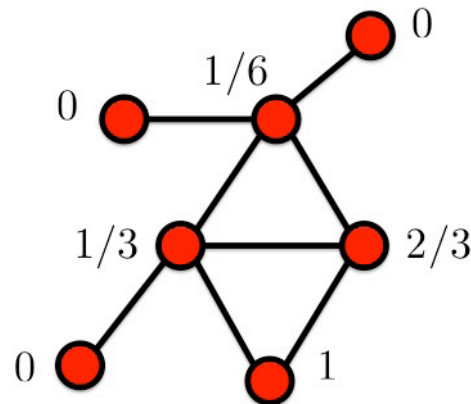
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$$(3 \times 2) / (10 + 6) = (6/16) = 3 / 8$$

open triples

closed triples



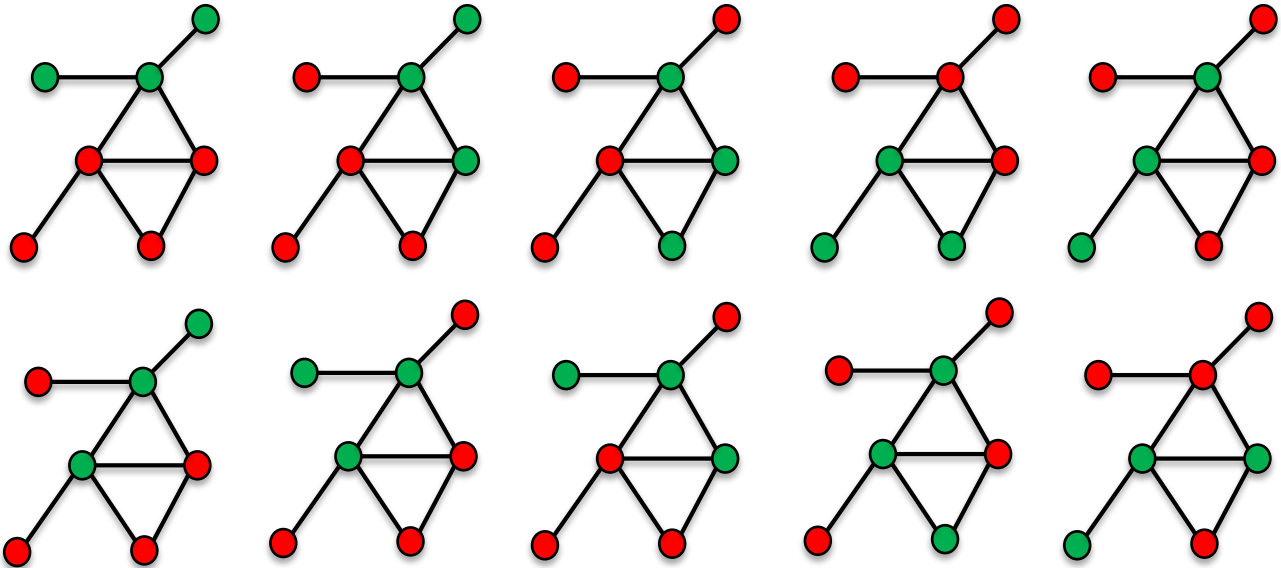
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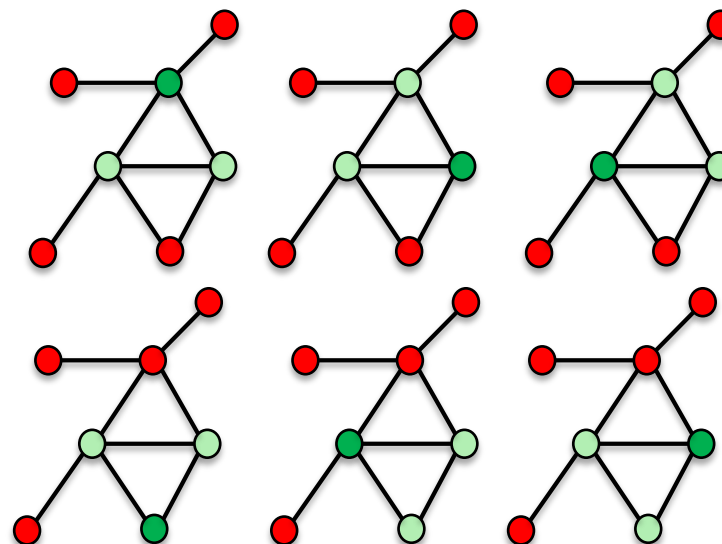
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## Clustering Coefficient

10 open triples



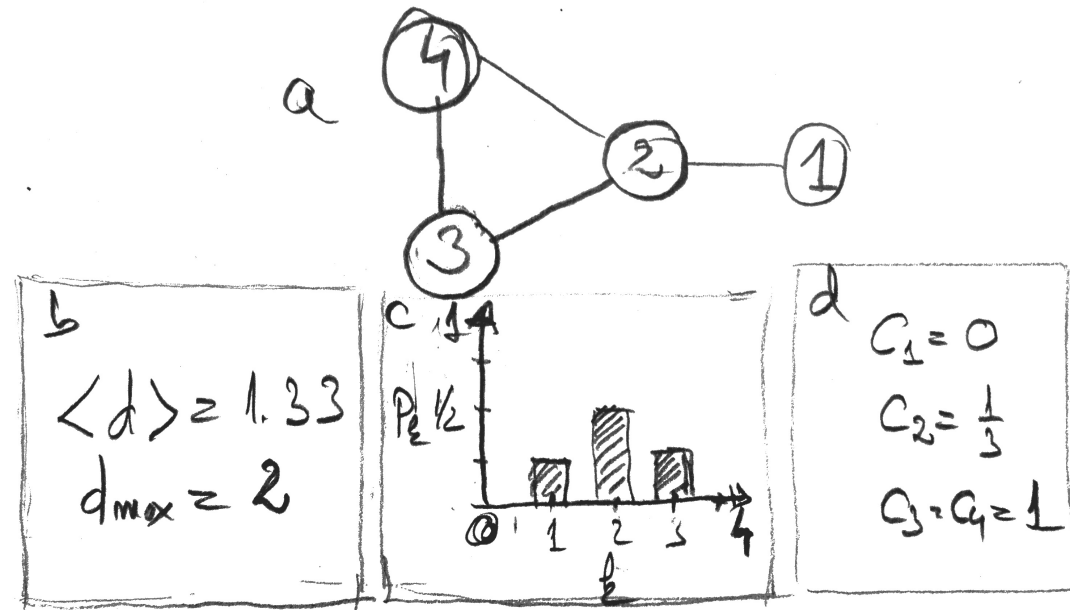
6 closed triples





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## Three Central Quantities in Network Science



Degree distribution:

$$p(k) \quad p_k$$

Path length:

$$\langle d \rangle$$

Clustering coefficient:

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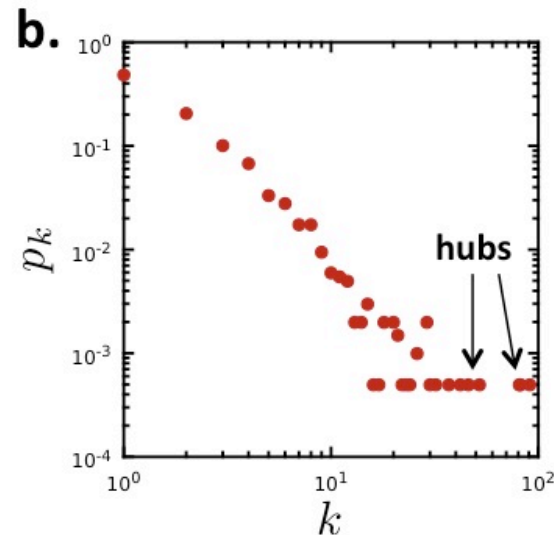
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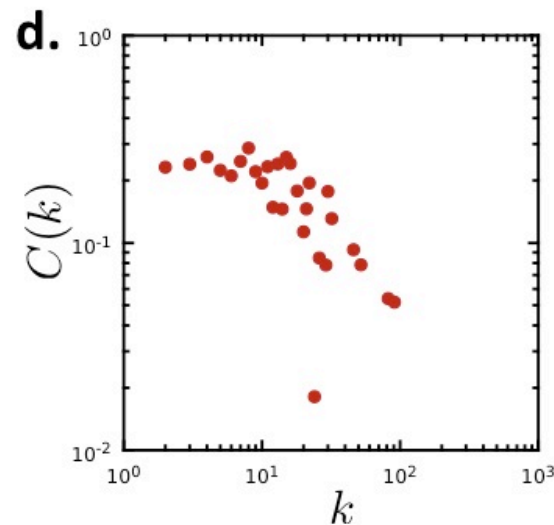
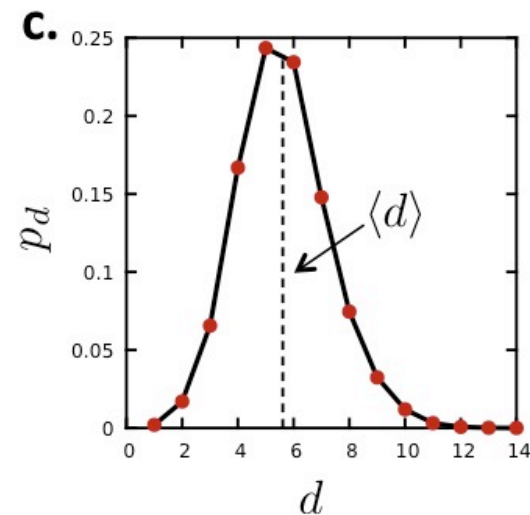


Undirected network

N=2,018 proteins as nodes

L=2,930 binding interactions as links.

Average degree  $\langle k \rangle = 2.90$ .

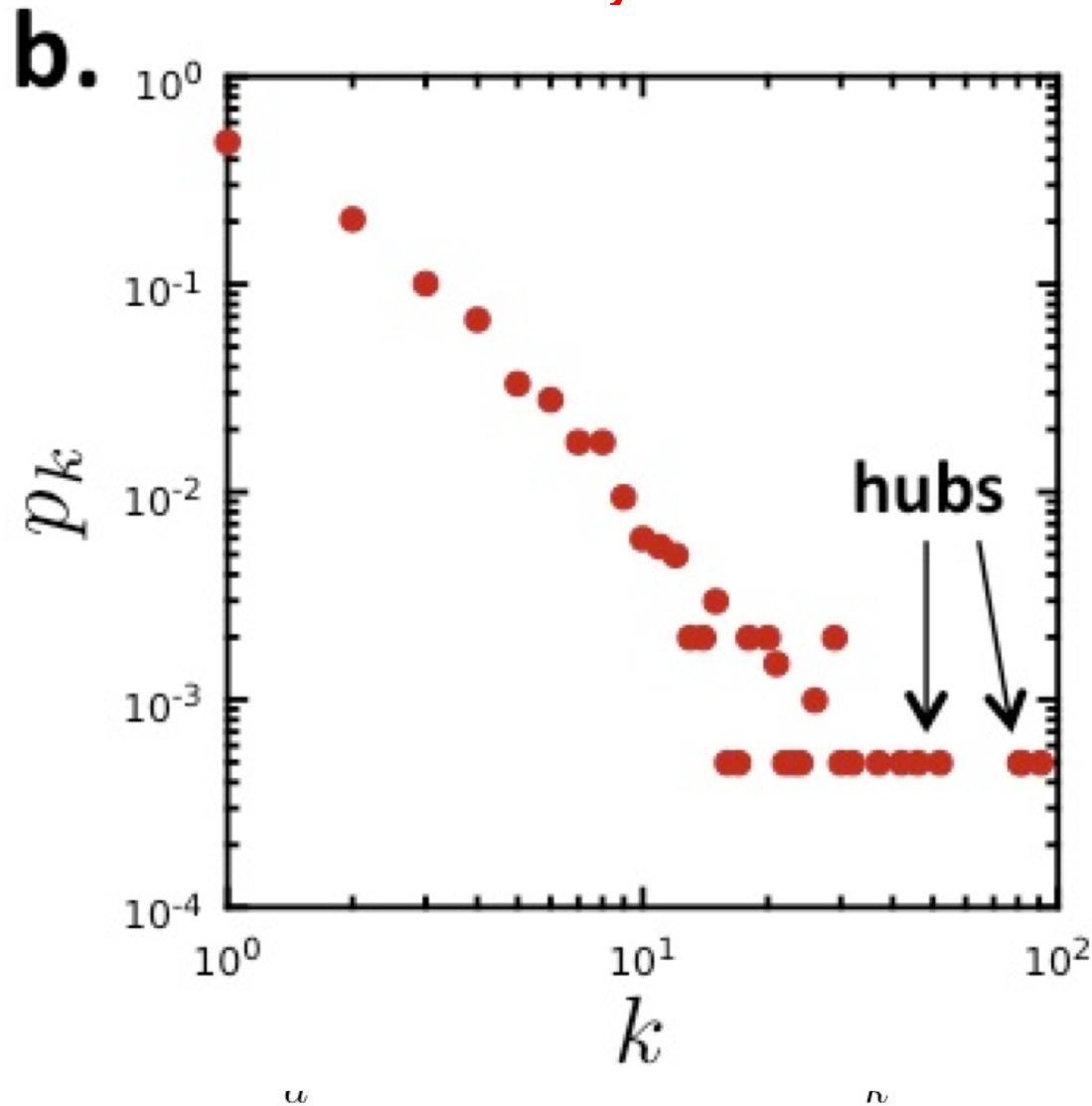


Not connected: 185 components

the largest (giant component) 1,647 nodes

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$p_k$  is the probability that a node has degree  $k$

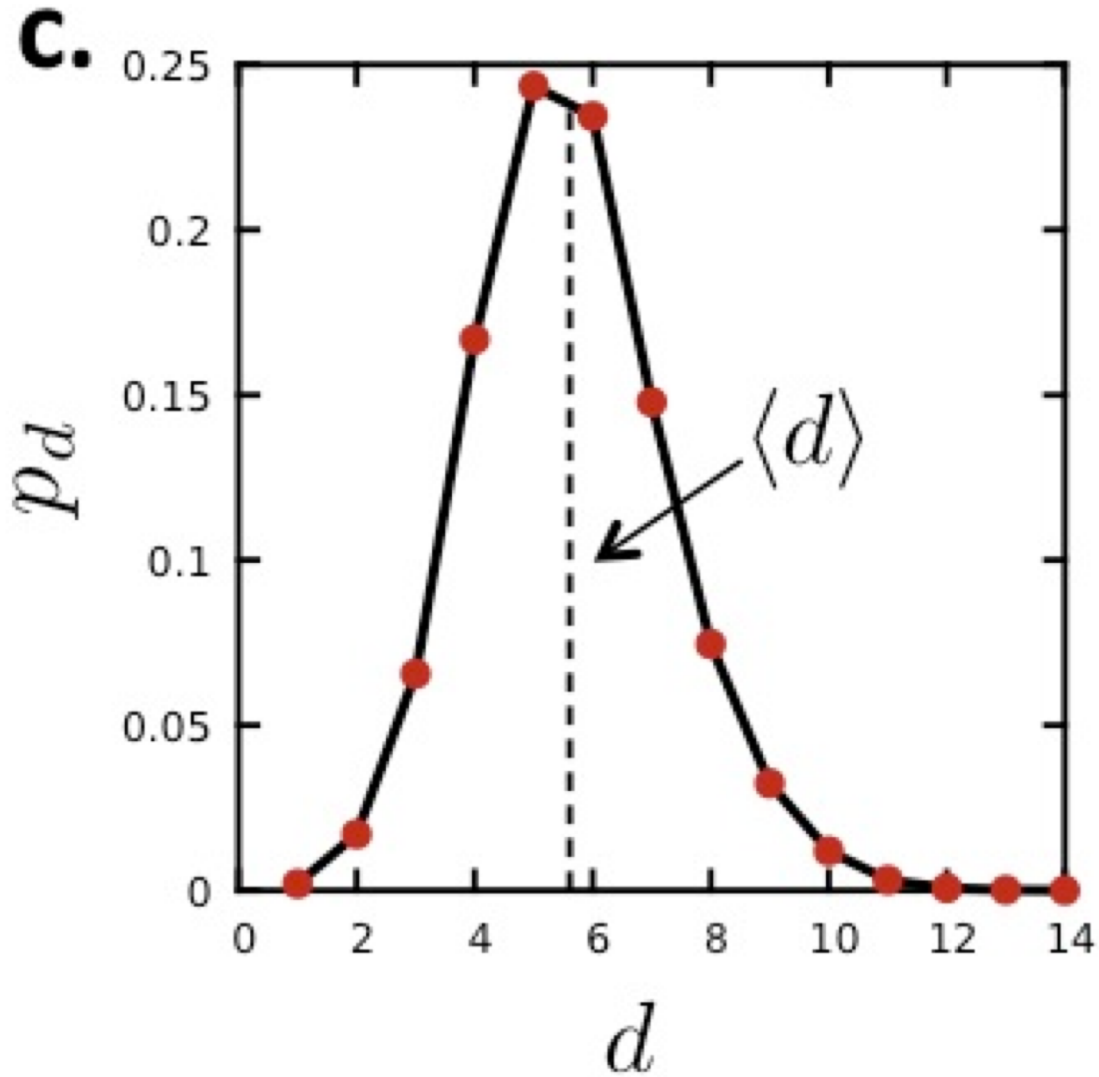
$N_k = \#$  nodes with degree  $k$

$$p_k = N_k / N$$



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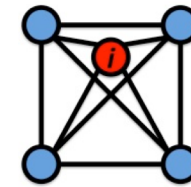
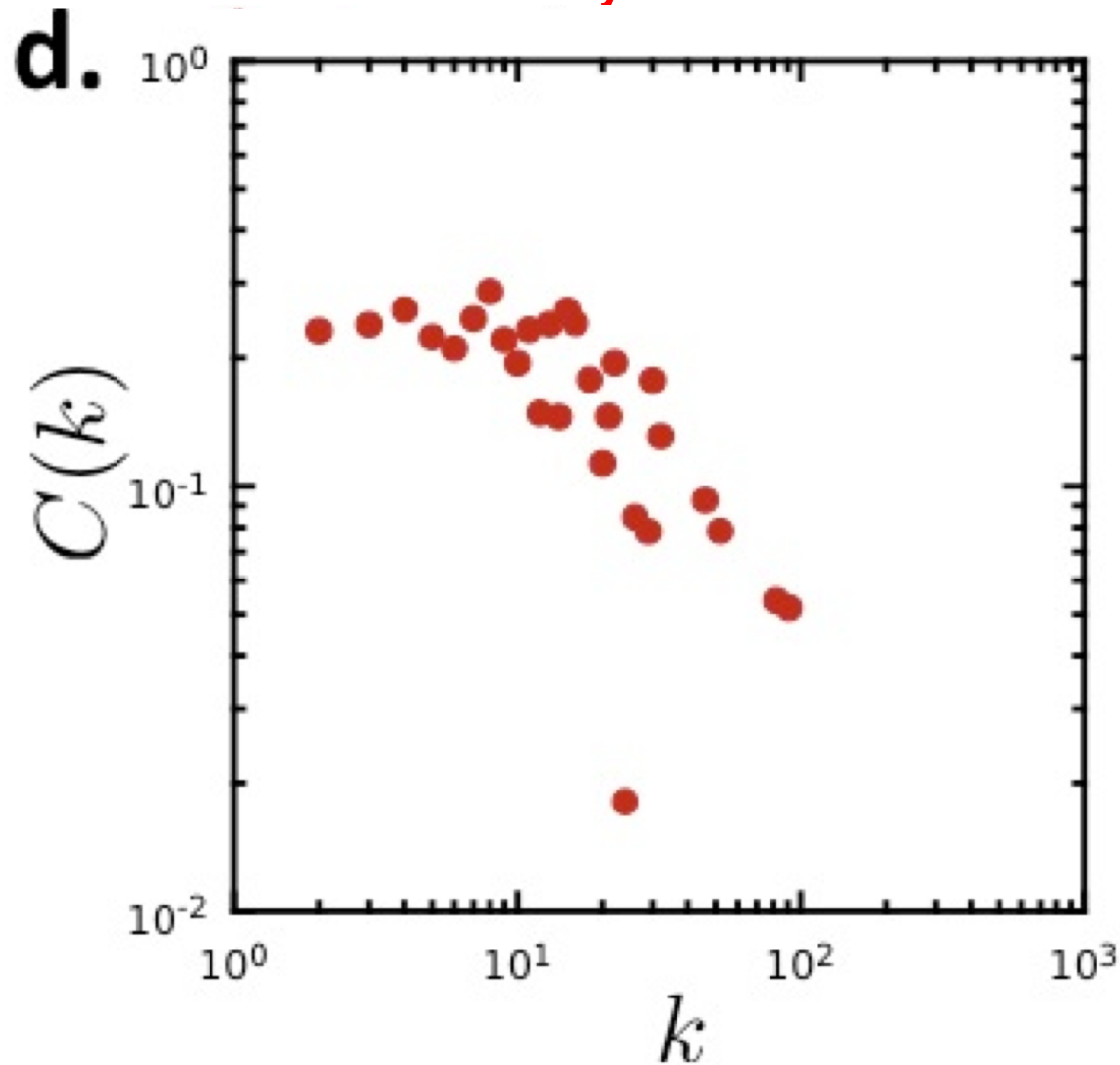


$$d_{max}=14$$

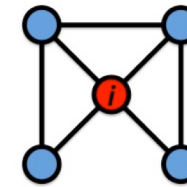
$$\langle d \rangle = 5.61$$

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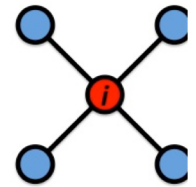
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$$C_i = \frac{2e_i}{k_i(k_i - 1)}$$

$$\langle C \rangle = 0.12$$