

Lecture 3 Network Degree (1/16/2018)

1. Average degree $\langle k \rangle$

(1) Undirected networks

k_i — # of edges connected to node i
 $k_i = \sum_{j=1}^n A_{ij}$

Total number of edges $m = \left(\frac{1}{2} \right) \sum_{i=1}^n k_i$

$$\langle k \rangle = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n k_i = \frac{2m}{n}$$

Given n nodes, what is the maximum possible # of edges?

$$\binom{n}{2} = \frac{1}{2} n(n-1)$$

Link density (connectance) P

$$P = \frac{m}{\frac{1}{2} n(n-1)} = \frac{\langle k \rangle}{n-1}, \quad 0 \leq P \leq 1$$

$n \rightarrow \infty$: ① $P \rightarrow \text{constant}$

} dense networks

Two situations

$\Rightarrow \langle k \rangle \rightarrow \infty$

Example: Food webs

② $P \rightarrow 0$

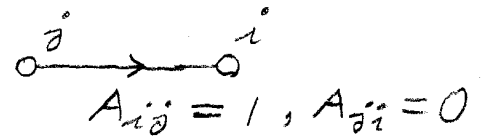
$\langle k \rangle \rightarrow \text{finite}$

} sparse network

Examples: Internet, WWW, Friendship

(2) Directed networks

A — asymmetric



Out-

outgoing

In-degree: # of incoming edges

$$k_i^{\text{in}} = \sum_{j=1}^n A_{ji}, \quad k_j^{\text{out}} = \sum_{i=1}^n A_{ji}$$

total # of edges

$$m = \sum_{i=1}^n k_i^{\text{in}} = \sum_{j=1}^n k_j^{\text{out}} = \sum_{i,j} A_{ij}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \langle k^{\text{in}} \rangle &= \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n k_i^{\text{in}} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{j=1}^n k_j^{\text{out}} = \langle k^{\text{out}} \rangle \\ &= \langle k \rangle = m/n \end{aligned}$$

2. Degree distributions

(1) Random networks

P — probability a given node is connected to any of the $(n-1)$ other nodes

$$\underbrace{\binom{n-1}{k}}_{\substack{\text{\# of ways} \\ \text{of selecting} \\ k \text{ nodes among} \\ n-1 \text{ other nodes}}} \underbrace{p^k (1-p)^{(n-1)-k}}_{\substack{\text{probability for the given node to connect to} \\ \text{a particular set of } k \text{ nodes, } 1 \leq k \leq n-1}} = p_k$$

p_k — probability of connecting to exactly k other nodes — degree distribution
 \uparrow binomial
 Mean degree: $\langle k \rangle = p(n-1) \equiv C$
 $n \rightarrow \infty \quad p_k \rightarrow e^{-C} \frac{C^k}{k!}$ Poisson distribution

(2) Scale-free networks

$$p_k = C_0 k^{-\gamma} \quad \gamma - \text{power-law exponent}$$

$$\sum_{k=k_{\min}}^{\infty} p_k = 1 \Rightarrow C_0 = \left(\sum_{k=k_{\min}}^{\infty} k^{-\gamma} \right)^{-1}$$

$$\zeta(\gamma, k_{\min}) \equiv \sum_{k=k_{\min}}^{\infty} k^{-\gamma}$$

— generalized or incomplete Riemann zeta function

$$\sum_{k=k_{\min}}^{\infty} k^{-\gamma} \approx \int_{k_{\min}}^{\infty} k^{-\gamma} dk = \frac{1}{\gamma-1} k_{\min}^{\gamma-1} \equiv C_0^{-1} \quad \text{Complete: } k_{\min} = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow p_k \approx \frac{\gamma-1}{k_{\min}} \left(\frac{k}{k_{\min}} \right)^{-\gamma}$$

Statistical moments

$$\langle k^l \rangle = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} k^l p_k = \underbrace{\sum_{k=0}^{k_{\min}-1} k^l p_k}_{\text{finite}} + C_0 \underbrace{\sum_{k=k_{\min}}^{\infty} k^{l-\gamma}}_{\text{finite}}$$

$$\approx (\text{a finite number}) + C_0 \int_{k_{\min}}^{\infty} k^{l-\gamma} dk$$

$$\frac{C_0}{l-\gamma+1} \left[k^{l-\gamma+1} \right]_{k_{\min}}^{\infty}$$

$$l-\gamma+1 < 0 \rightarrow \langle k^l \rangle \text{ exists}$$

$$l-\gamma+1 \geq 0 \rightarrow \langle k^l \rangle \rightarrow \infty$$

Given γ , all moments diverge for $l \geq \gamma-1$

$1 < \gamma < 2 \Rightarrow l \geq 1 \rightarrow$ all moments \uparrow not even the ave.

$2 < \gamma < 3 \Rightarrow \langle k \rangle$ finite but $\langle k^2 \rangle \rightarrow \infty$

PPT

- Robust yet fragile
- Cascading failures

Scale-Free Networks: Robust yet Fragile

Robust: against random nodal failures

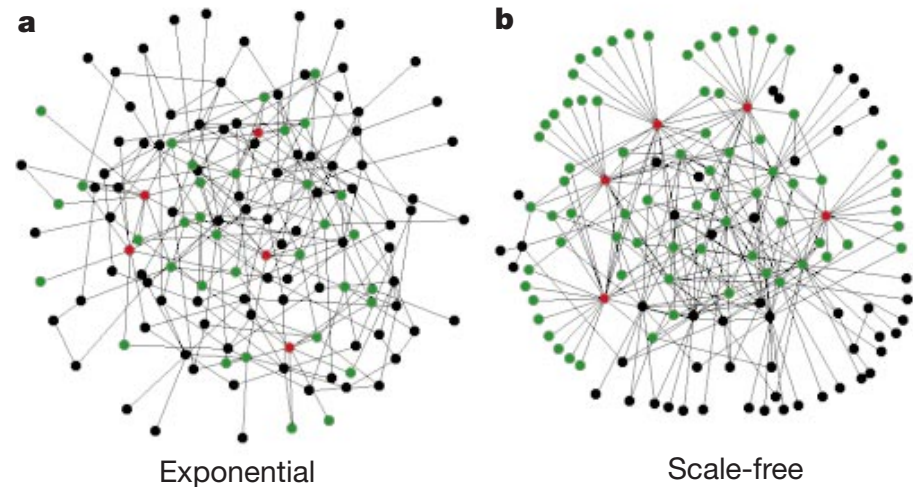
Fragile: when being attacked

Error and attack tolerance of complex networks

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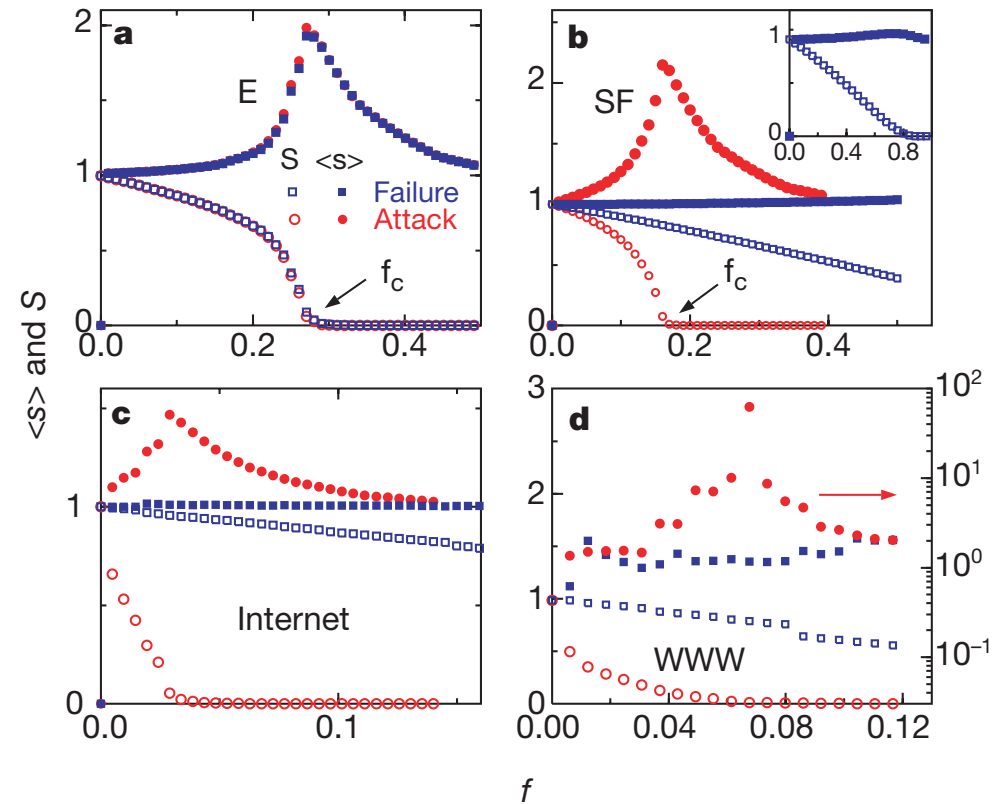
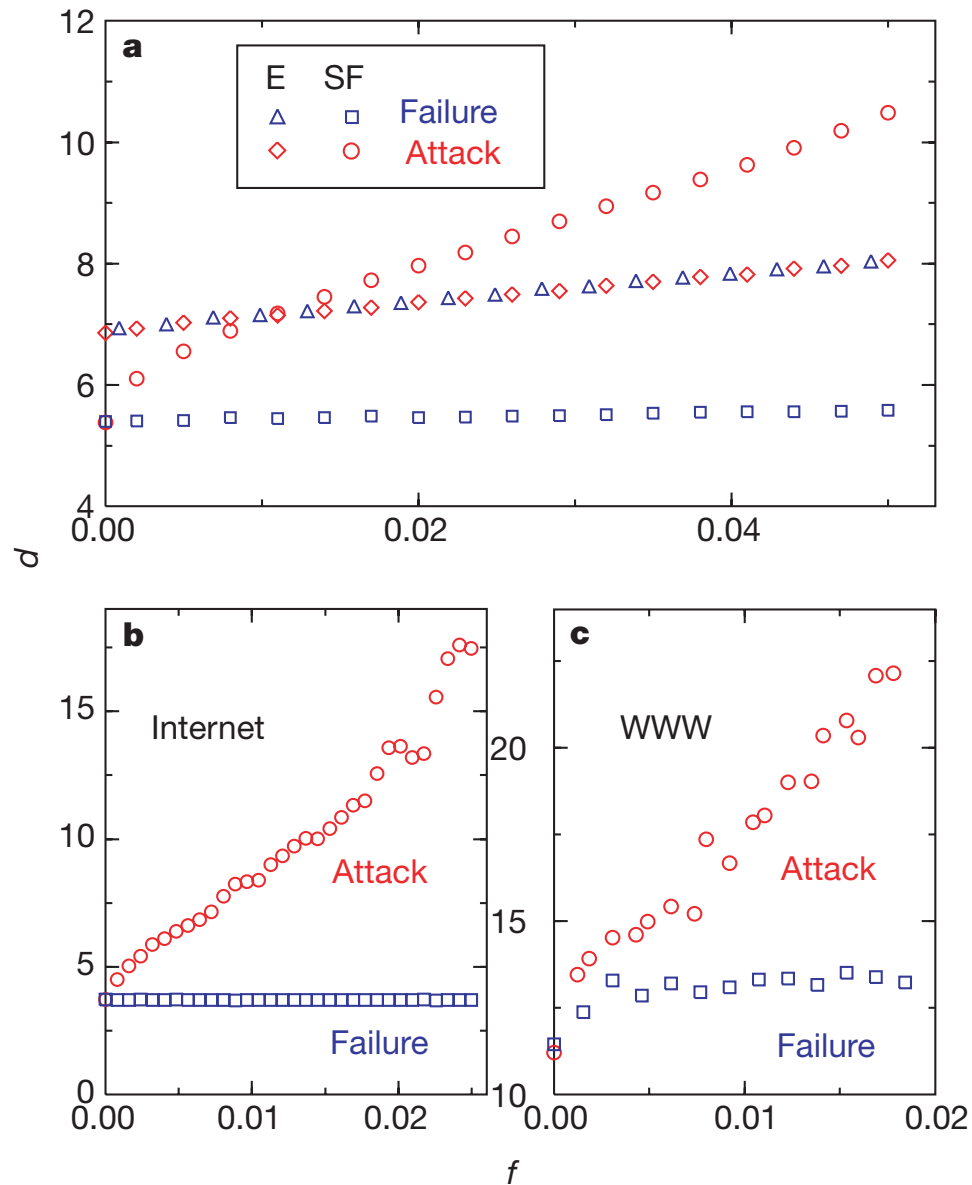
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Many complex systems display a surprising degree of tolerance against errors. For example, relatively simple organisms grow, persist and reproduce despite drastic pharmaceutical or environmental interventions, an error tolerance attributed to the robustness of the underlying metabolic network¹. Complex communication networks² display a surprising degree of robustness: although key components regularly malfunction, local failures rarely lead to the loss of the global information-carrying ability of the network. The stability of these and other complex systems is often attributed to the redundant wiring of the functional web defined by the systems' components. Here we demonstrate that error tolerance is not shared by all redundant systems: it is displayed only by a class of inhomogeneously wired networks,



called scale-free networks, which include the World-Wide Web³⁻⁵, the Internet⁶, social networks⁷ and cells⁸. We find that such networks display an unexpected degree of robustness, the ability of their nodes to communicate being unaffected even by unrealistically high failure rates. However, error tolerance comes at a high price in that these networks are extremely vulnerable to attacks (that is, to the selection and removal of a few nodes that play a vital role in maintaining the network's connectivity). Such error tolerance and attack vulnerability are generic properties of communication networks.

Network Diameter and Fragmentation



f – fraction of removed nodes

S – Relative size of the largest cluster

$\langle s \rangle$ - average size of the isolated clusters

Summary- Response of Random and Scale-Free Networks to Failures and Attacks

