

Oldest-Edge Deletion in a Preferential Attachment Graph

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Random graph model popular for evolving real-world networks

Based on concept “the rich get richer”

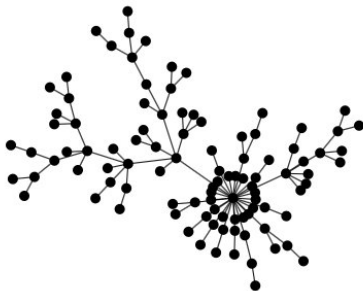
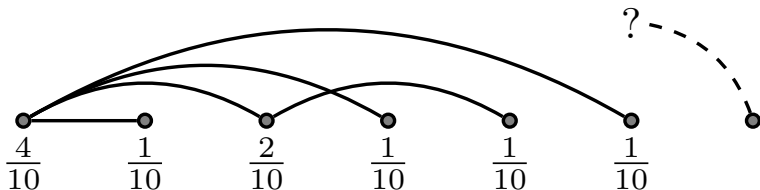


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Barabási-Albert model: Given a graph G_t on $[t]$, form G_{t+1} by adding vertex $t+1$ along with $m \geq 1$ edges.

Probability of edge choosing v is proportional to degree of v in G_t .



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Most random graph models, on the contrary, follow an **exponential law**:

$$\frac{X_k}{n} \rightarrow c^k(\alpha + o_k(1)), \quad 0 < c < 1$$

Edge Deletion

We consider a variation of the Barabási-Albert model with **online oldest-edge deletion**, to be defined later.

We will consider the following questions:

- What is the probability distribution of $\text{deg } v$ for a fixed vertex v ?
- What is the degree sequence of the graph?
- What is the component structure of the graph?

Alternative View ($m = 1$)

Suppose an edge e is added to a graph G . Then

e chooses a vertex in G with probability proportional to degree



e chooses an edge f uniformly at random from G , and chooses an endpoint of f uniformly at random

Indeed,

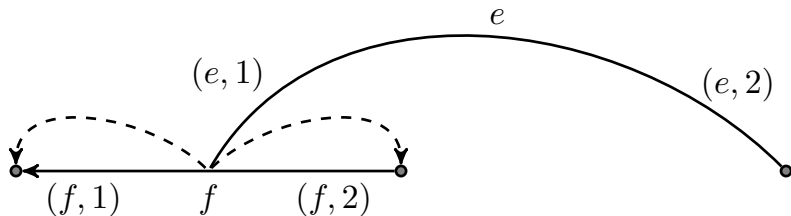
$$\frac{\deg v}{\sum_u \deg u} = \frac{1}{2|E(G)|} \sum_{f \in E(G)} [v \in f]$$

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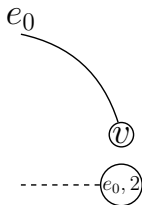
- $j = 1$ corresponds to choosing the tip of f ,
- $j = 2$ to choosing the base of f .

Then $(e, 1)$ and (f, j) are incident to the same vertex, while $(e, 2)$ is incident to the vertex e was added with



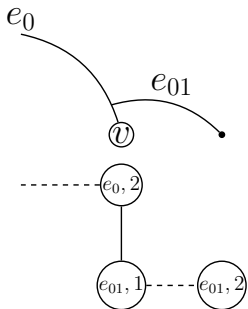
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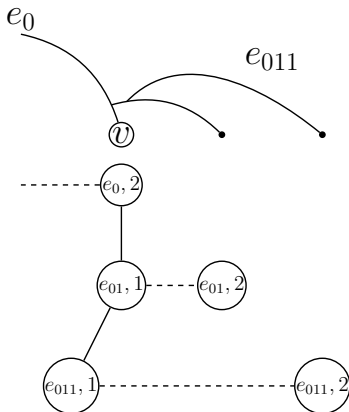
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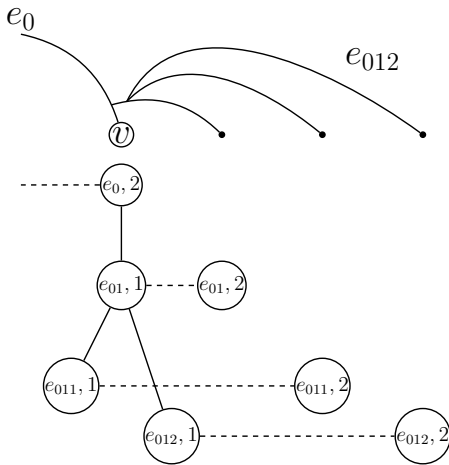
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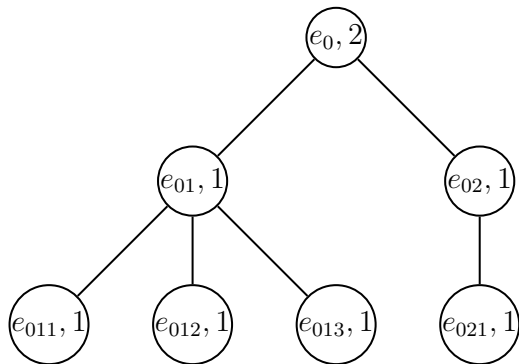
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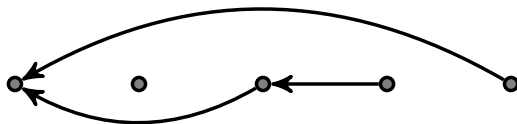


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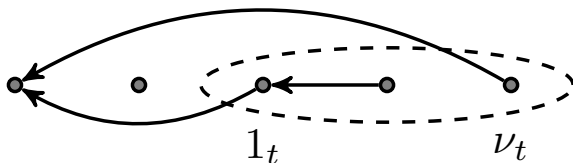


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Tools:

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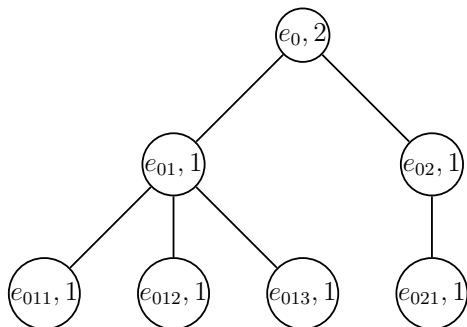
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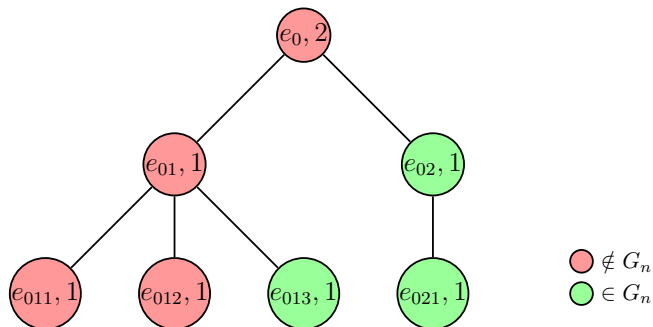
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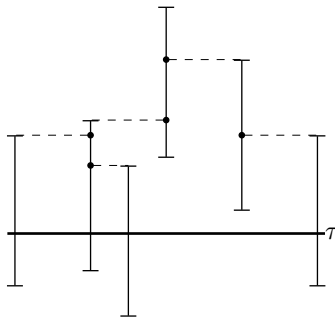
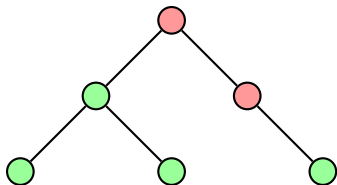
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Determining existence of an edge is almost deterministic as function of its age!

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Rescaling time logarithmically, $\tau = \log_{\frac{p}{1-p}} t$, an edge added at time τ is removed at time $\approx \tau + 1$



Branching Poisson processes now have life-time 1. Degree is number of **active** processes at time τ

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Solution is zero-or-geometric distribution, parameters depending on τ

G_n behaves differently depending on p .

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$$\frac{X_k}{n} \sim \begin{cases} \alpha^{k(1+o_k(1))}, & \alpha < 1, \\ k^{-\eta-1}(1+o_k(1)), & \alpha > 1, \end{cases}$$

where $\eta = \eta(p) \in (2, \infty)$.

As a continuous function of $p \in (1/2, 1)$, α increases from $1/2$ to ∞ with $\alpha = 1$ at $p \approx 0.83$.

Why a Phase Transition?

- When $\alpha < 1$, the CMJ process is ultimately extinct whp. Old vertices are isolated.

- When $\alpha > 1$, the process survives with some positive probability, and the old vertices have high expected degree.

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Remainder of talk:

- Show how to generate graph **off-line**,
- Find conditions for unique **giant component**

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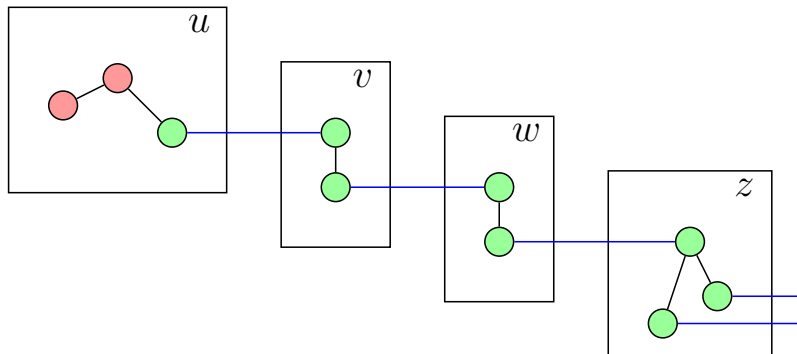
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- With high probability maximum degree $\Delta(G_n)$ is $O(\log n)$ when $\alpha < 1$ and $O(n^{1/\eta}) = o(n^{1/2})$ when $\alpha > 1$.
- Existence of linear-sized component is independent of p .

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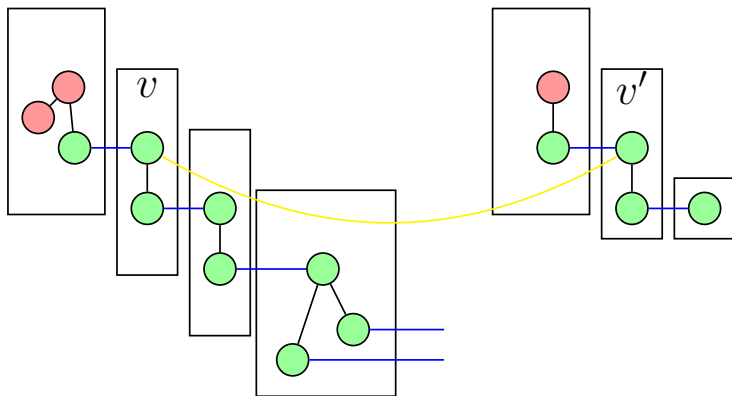
When $m = 1$, the component structure is as below



- Box — all half-edges incident to vertex
- Blue edge — connects two halves of a living edge

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When $m = 2$, we merge v with a vertex v' (yellow edge)



Larger m gives more yellow edges

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This can be turned into a supercritical Galton-Watson process, and the giant component follows in a standard way

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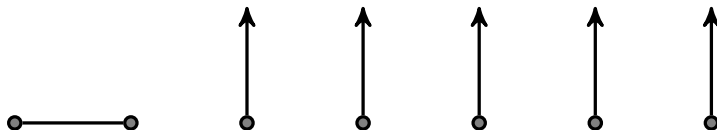
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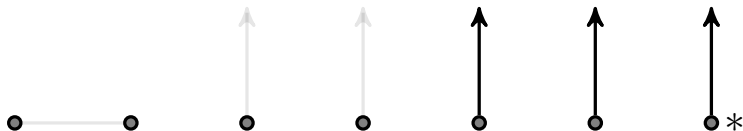
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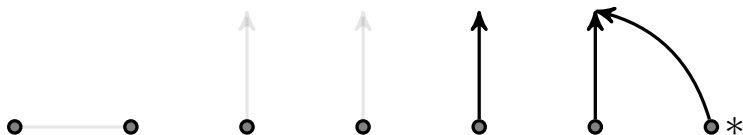
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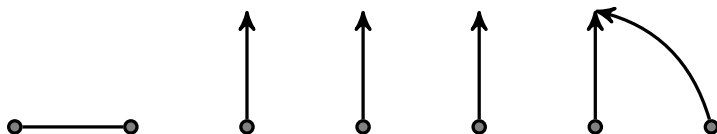


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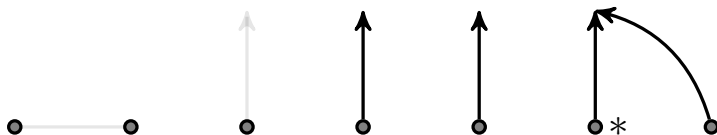


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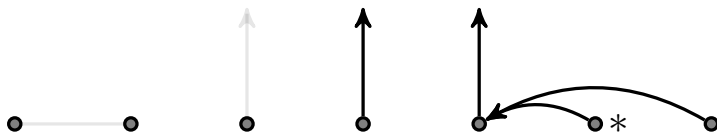


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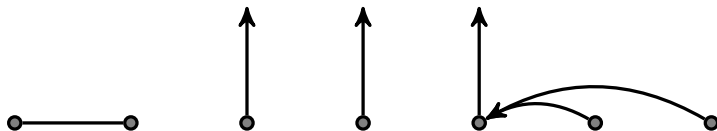


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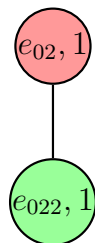


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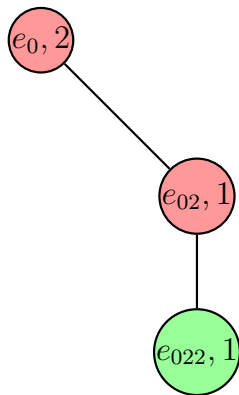
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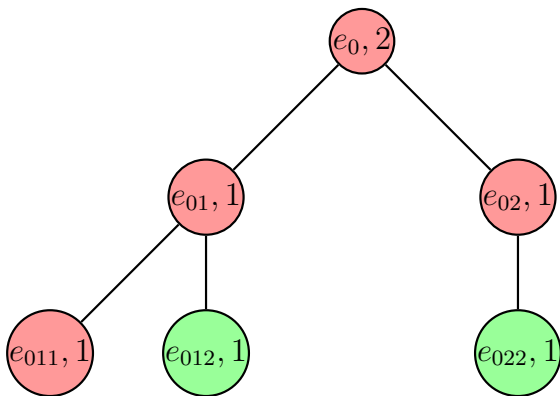
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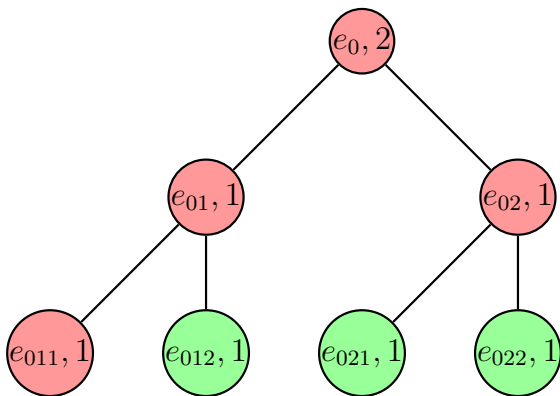
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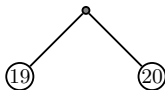
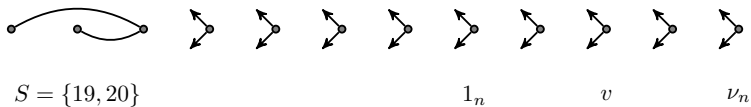
Future Questions

- Keep exploring this graph. What is the diameter?
- What is the exact size of the giant component? Tree sizes depend on the age of the root edge, making the problem difficult.
- Consider deleting the oldest **vertex** rather than the oldest edges.
- Uniform attachment graphs: new vertices choose old vertices uniformly at random.

Thank you!

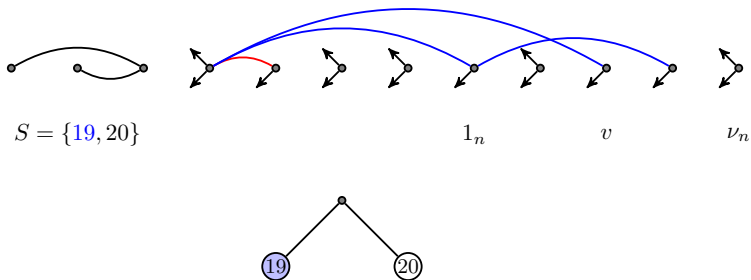
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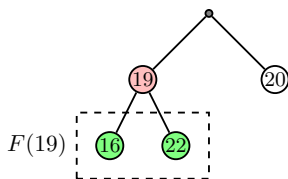
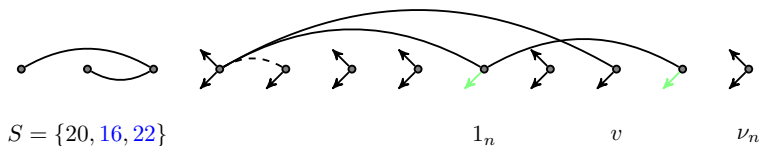
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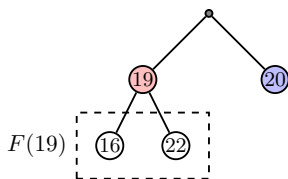
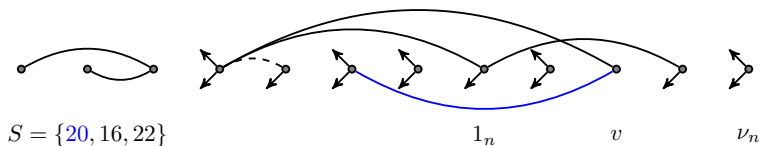
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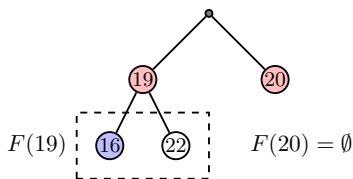
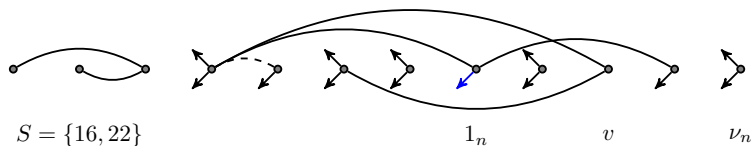
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Let $m > 1$ and suppose $O(n^{1/2+\epsilon})$ edges have been exposed. For any edge e , the size of $F(e)$ is stochastically bounded below by a random variable Z with distribution

$$\Pr\{Z = k\} = \begin{cases} 0.26, & k = 0, \\ 0.46, & k = 1, \\ 0.28, & k = 2. \end{cases}$$

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Let $m > 1$ and suppose $O(n^{1/2+\epsilon})$ edges have been exposed. For any edge e , the size of $F(e)$ is stochastically bounded below by a random variable Z with distribution

$$\Pr\{Z = k\} = \begin{cases} 0.26, & k = 0, \\ 0.46, & k = 1, \\ 0.28, & k = 2. \end{cases}$$

Since $\mathbf{E}[Z] > 1$, this implies that the tree reaches size $\Omega(n^{1/2+\epsilon})$ with some constant probability.

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This shows that there is one unique component of size $\Omega(n)$ while all other components have size $O(\log n)$.