

Diameter and distances

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Distances in $G(n, d/n)$:

— Balls grow like d^r so heuristic says distances $\sim \log_d n$.

$$\mathbb{E}[Z_r | Z_{r-1}] \leq d Z_{r-1}$$

$$\text{so } \mathbb{E} Z_r \leq d^r$$



\Rightarrow w.h.p. $d(u, v) \geq (1 - \epsilon) \log_d n$.

Theorem: If $u, v \in V$ of $G(n, d/n)$ $d > 1$ then
Conditional on $u, v \in \text{Giant}$,

$$\frac{d(u, v)}{\log_d n} \xrightarrow{P} 1$$

Also $\frac{\text{Diam}(\text{Giant})}{\log_d(n)} \in (1 + \delta, C)$ w.h.p.

If Z_n is a B.P. with

offspring distribution X , $\mathbb{E}X = \mu > 1$, $\sigma^2 = \text{Var}X < \infty$

$$\mu^{-n} Z_n \xrightarrow{a.s.} W$$

where $\mathbb{P}[W > 0] = \mathbb{P}[Z_n \text{ survives}]$, $\mathbb{E}W = 1$.

Proof: Recursively calculate

$$\text{Var}(Z_n | Z_{n-1}) = Z_{n-1} \cdot \sigma^2, \quad \mathbb{E}(Z_n | Z_{n-1}) = \mu Z_{n-1}$$

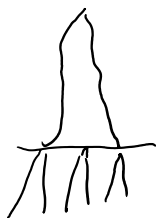
$$\begin{aligned} & \text{Var}(m^{-n} Z_n - m^{-(n-1)} Z_{n-1}) \\ &= \mathbb{E}(\text{Var}(m^{-n} Z_n - m^{-(n-1)} Z_{n-1} | Z_{n-1})) \\ & \quad + \text{Var}(\mathbb{E}[m^{-n} Z_n - m^{-(n-1)} Z_{n-1} | Z_{n-1}]) \\ &= \mathbb{E}(m^{-2n} Z_{n-1} \sigma^2) = m^{-(n+1)} \sigma^2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{So } \sum \|m^{-n} Z_n - m^{-(n-1)} Z_{n-1}\|_2 < \infty$$

$$\Rightarrow m^{-n} Z_n \xrightarrow{a.s.} W, \quad \mathbb{E}W = \lim \mathbb{E}m^{-n} Z_n = 1.$$

$$\text{So } \mathbb{P}[W > 0] = \alpha > 0.$$

$$\text{Let } T_M = \inf\{n : Z_n \geq M\}.$$



$$\mathbb{P}[W = 0 | T_M < \infty] \leq (1-\alpha)^M$$

$$\text{So } \mathbb{P}[W = 0, W \text{ survives}] = 0.$$

Coupling TV distance

$$d_{TV}(X, Y) = \min_A |\mathbb{P}[X \in A] - \mathbb{P}[Y \in A]|$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \sum_k |P[X=k] - P[Y=k]|$$

Minimize over couplings,
 $\exists (\tilde{X}, \tilde{Y})$ s.t. $\tilde{X} \stackrel{d}{=} X, \tilde{Y} \stackrel{d}{=} Y,$
 $IP[\tilde{X} \neq \tilde{Y}] = d_{TV}(X, Y).$

• If $(X_i), (Y_i)$ independent
 $d_{TV}(\sum X_i, \sum Y_i) \leq \sum d_{TV}(X_i, Y_i)$

• For $Pois(p), Ber(p),$

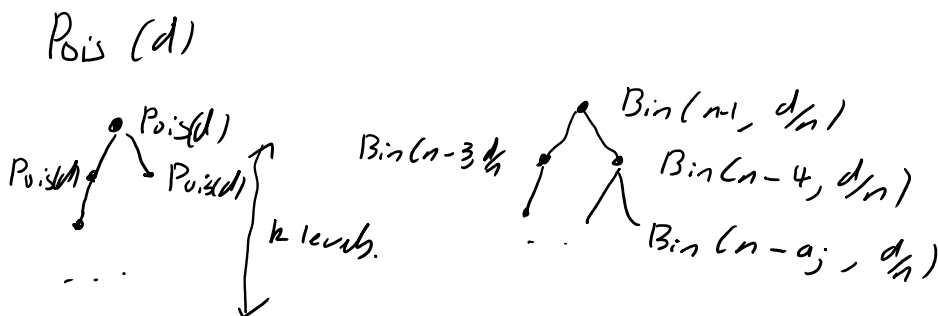
$$\begin{aligned} d_{TV}(Ber(p), Pois(p)) &= \frac{1}{2} \left(|e^{-p} - (1-p)| + |pe^{-p} - p| + IP[Pois(p) \geq 2] \right) \\ &= O(p^2) \end{aligned}$$

$$d_{TV}(Pois(np), Bin(n, p)) \leq O(np^2).$$

$$d_{TV}(Bin(n, p), Bin(n-k, p)) \leq kp.$$

Typical distance in $G(n, d/n)$ $d > 1.$

- Couple with BP $Pois(d)$ offspring dist.



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$$\mathbb{P}[\text{Coupling fails}] \leq \sum_j O(a_j \cdot \frac{d}{n}) + O(n \frac{d^2}{n^2})$$

$$\leq O\left(\left(\sum_{i=1}^k z_i\right)^2\right)$$

If $k \leq (\frac{1}{2} - \epsilon) \log_d n$,

$Z_n \approx n^{\frac{1}{2} - \epsilon}$ and couple the two processes.

Growth rate

$$Z_r = \text{Bin}(Z_{r-1} \cdot (n - \sum z_i), \frac{d}{n}) - \text{cycles}$$

$Y \equiv$

$$\mathbb{E} Y = d Z_{r-1} - \frac{d}{n} O(\sum z_i^2)$$

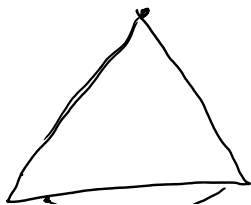
$\leq d^{2r} / n$ in expectation

Chernoff Bound

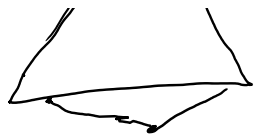
$$\mathbb{P}[|Y - \mathbb{E} Y| \geq x] \leq \exp\left(-\frac{x^2}{2 Z_{r-1} \cdot n \cdot \frac{d}{n} \cdot (1 - \frac{d}{n})}\right)$$

Choose $x = \sqrt{3 d Z_r \log n}$

LHS $\leq o(\frac{1}{n})$, take union bound.

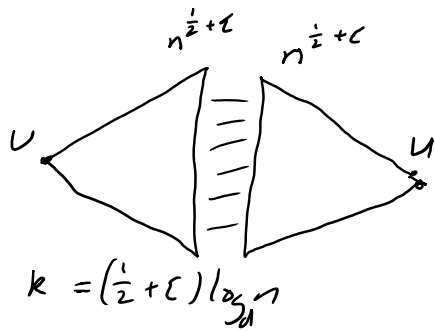


First cycle ...


 First cycles form when boundary $\approx n^{1/2}$.

* cycles $\sim \text{Bin}\left(\binom{Z_k}{2}, \left(\frac{d}{n}\right)^2\right) \ll Z_k$.

$$Z_{k+1} \approx dZ_k - Z_k^2/n.$$



$$\begin{aligned}
 & \mathbb{P}[\text{fail to connect}] \\
 & \leq \mathbb{P}[\text{Bin}(n^{1+2\epsilon}, \frac{d}{n}) = 0] \\
 & \leq e^{-n^{2\epsilon}}
 \end{aligned}$$

So $\mathbb{P}[d(u, v) \geq (1+\epsilon) \log_d n \mid u, v \in \text{Giant}] \rightarrow 0$.

Hence

$$\mathbb{P}[d(u, v) \leq (1-\epsilon) \log_d n] \rightarrow 0.$$

Fluctuations:

$$d(u, v) - \log_d n ?$$



$$\frac{\partial B_r(k)}{\partial r} \sim W_u$$

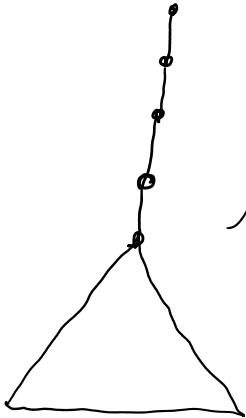
Choose l_u, l_v so that

$$W_n d^{2n} = n^{1/2}$$

- Then a constant probability that $B_{e_n}(u)$ and $B_{e_n}(v)$ intersect each level

Points of large distance:

We can find points whose local nbhd is a path of length $\delta \log n$



$$\delta \log n \quad \text{Prob: } (de^{-d})^{\delta \log n} \approx n^{-\delta(d - \log d) / \log d}$$

$$\text{Typical distance} \sim (1 + \delta) \log_d n.$$

Diameter:

Explore neighborhood one level at a time.

$$A_k \geq \delta k \quad \text{for } k \geq C \log n$$

with prob $\geq 1 - o(n)$.



Let level r be the first level with $\sum_{i=1}^r Z_i \geq B \log n$ (so $r \leq B \log n$)

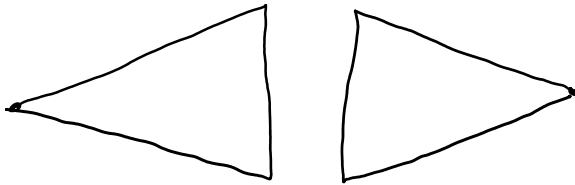
$$Z_{r+1} \sim \text{Bin} \left(Ln - \sum_{i=0}^r Z_i, 1 - \left(1 - \frac{d}{n}\right)^{Z_r} \right).$$

If $\sum_{i=1}^r z_i \in (B \log n, n^{3/4})$ then $\approx z_r \frac{d}{n}$.

$$\mathbb{P}[Z_{r+1} \geq (d-\epsilon) z_r] \geq 1 - n^{-3}$$

- by Azuma - Hoeffding

$\Rightarrow Z_{(B + \frac{1}{2} + \epsilon) \log n} \geq n^{\frac{1}{2} + \epsilon}$ for all vertices in the giant component w.h.p.



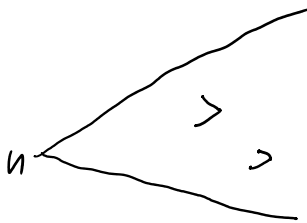
connections $\sim \text{Bin}(n^{1+2\epsilon}, \frac{d}{n})$

So w.h.p. $\text{Diam}(\text{Giant}) \leq 2(B + \frac{1}{2} + \epsilon) \log n + 1$

Random d-regular:

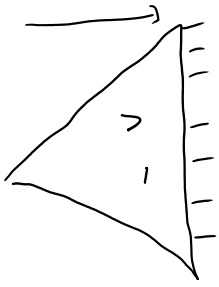
Theorem

$$\frac{d(u,v)}{\log_{d-1} n}, \quad \frac{\text{Diam}(G)}{\log_{d-1} n} \xrightarrow{P} 1$$



growth rate $(d-1)^r$
 # cycles $O(1)$ for

$$r \leq (\frac{1}{2} - \varepsilon) \log_{d-1} n.$$



$d(d-1)^r$ half edges to match.

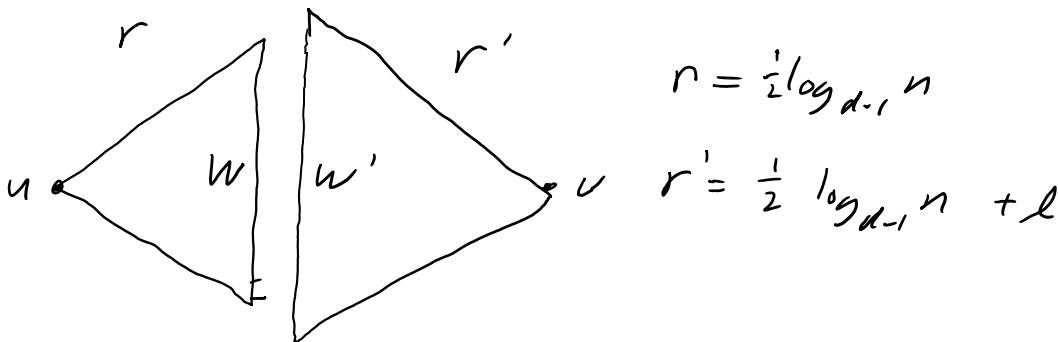
- let I_j be indicator that the j -th is matched to a new vertex so

$$\mathbb{P}[I_j] \leq \frac{d(d-1)^{r+1}}{(d-0.1)n}$$

So $\sum I_j \leq \text{Bin}(d(d-1)^{r+1}, \frac{d(d-1)^{r+1}}{dn})$

$$\mathbb{E} \sum I_j \leq O((d-1)^{2r}/n)$$

- Claim: At most one cycles in any ball of radius $\frac{1}{2} \log_{d-1} n$.



w.h.p $|W| \approx (d-0.1)(d-1)^{r-1}$

$$|W'| \approx (d-0.1)(d-1)^{r'-1}$$

- match edges from W to W' one by one,

I_j indicator that j -th half edge of W matched to W' .

$$\mathbb{P}[I_j] \approx \frac{d(d-1)^{r'}}{(d-1)n}$$

$$\text{Pois}\left(\frac{(1-\varepsilon)(d-1)^{r'}}{n}\right) \leq I_j \leq \text{Pois}\left(\frac{(1+\varepsilon)(d-1)^{r'}}{n}\right)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{So } \sum I_j & \text{ paths length } r+r'+1 \\ & = \sum I_j \sim \text{Pois}\left(\frac{d(d-1)^{r+r'+1}}{n}\right) \\ & = \text{Pois}\left(d(d-1)^r\right) \end{aligned}$$

\Rightarrow Typical distance $\approx \log_{d-1} n$
Diameter $\leq \log_{d-1} n + C \log \log n$.

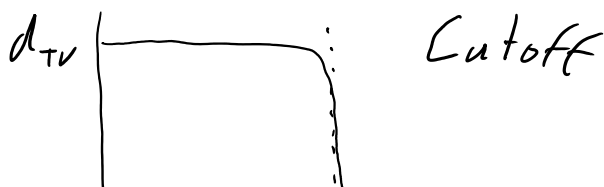
Random Walk on Random d -regular

- X_t^x is a SRW, pick a random neighbour in each step.
- π stationary distribution is uniform

$$t_{\text{mix}}(s) = \min\{t: \max_x d_{\text{TV}}(X_t^x, \pi) \leq s\}$$

For all $0 < s < 1$,

$$\frac{t_{\text{mix}}(s)}{\frac{d \log_{d-1}(n)}{d-2}} \xrightarrow{P} 1$$





On a tree speed of S.R.W. is



$$\frac{d-2}{d}$$

So time $\frac{d}{d-2}$ to reach $\text{Diam}(G)$.

Depth after t steps is $Z_t = \frac{d}{d-2} \cdot t + \sqrt{t} \cdot N(0, \sigma^2)$

- A non-backtracking RW (NBRW) has $Y_{t+1} \neq Y_{t-1}$.

- X_t same law as NBRW Y_{Z_t} .

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{P}_x[Y_\ell = y] &= \frac{\# \text{ path } x \rightarrow y \text{ length } \ell}{d(d-1)^{\ell-1}} \\ &\approx \frac{\text{Pois}(d(d-1)^{\ell-1}/n)}{d(d-1)^{\ell-1}} \end{aligned}$$

for $\log_{d-1} n < \ell < (2 - o(1)) \log_{d-1} n$.

When $\ell \geq \log_{d-1} n + \log \log n$,

$\text{Pois}(d(d-1)^{\ell-1}/n) \approx d(d-1)^{\ell-1}/n$ w.h.p.

so $\mathbb{P}_x[Y_\ell = y] = \frac{1+o(1)}{n}$ for most x, y

$\Rightarrow d_{TV}(X_t^x, \pi) \rightarrow 0$

for $t \geq \frac{d}{d-2} \log_{d-1}(n) + (\log_{d-1} n)^{\frac{1}{2} + \varepsilon}$.

$d-2 \quad d-1 \quad \dots$

• What about $G(n, d/n)$?

Paths of length $\approx \log n$
mean $t_{mix} \approx c \log^2 n$.

This is the right order, no cutoff.

Heavy Tailed \swarrow Scale Free graphs

Degree distribution

$$\mathbb{P}[d_v = k] \sim k^{-\alpha-1} \quad \text{for } 1 < \alpha < 2.$$

So $\mathbb{E}d_v = \mu < \infty$, $\text{Var } d_v = \infty$.

$$\max_v d_v \sim n^{1/\alpha} \gg \sqrt{n}.$$

In configuration model

$$\mathbb{P}[\text{Self loop}] \geq \mathbb{P}[\text{Self loop at max degree vertex}]$$

$$\geq 1 - \prod_{i=1}^{n^{1/\alpha}} \frac{n^{1/\alpha} - i}{dn - 2i}$$

$$\geq 1 - \exp(-cn^{\frac{2}{\alpha}-1})$$

• So w.h.p. configuration model is not simple.

• Alternative model:

$$\mathbb{P}[(u,v) \in E \mid d_u, d_v] = \frac{d_u d_v}{n}$$

$$IP[(u,v) \in E \mid d_u, d_v] = \frac{d_u d_v / n}{1 + d_u d_v / n}$$

Size biased

$$IP[d_v^* = k] \sim k^{-\alpha} / n \quad \text{infinite mean.}$$

- Can't calculate $E Z_r$.

If d_i^* index $0 < \beta < 1$, then

$$IP[\max_{1 \leq i \leq n} d_i^* \geq t] = IP[\text{Bin}(n, ct^{-\beta}) \geq 1]$$

$$\text{So } \max d_i^* \approx n^{1/\beta}$$

$$\text{But also } \sum_{i=1}^n d_i^* \approx n^{1/\beta}$$

$$\text{Since } E \sum_{i=1}^n d_i^* I(d_i^* \leq n^{1/\beta})$$

$$= n E d_i^* I(d_i^* \leq n^{1/\beta})$$

$$= n \sum_{k=1}^{n^{1/\beta}} k^{-\beta-1} \cdot k$$

$$\approx n^{1/\beta}$$

If level r has Z_r vertices

maximum size $\sim (Z_r)^{\frac{1}{\alpha-1}}$.



$$\text{So } c(Z_r)^{\frac{1}{\alpha-1}} \leq Z_{r+1} \leq c'(Z_r)^{\frac{1}{\alpha-1}}$$

Roughly

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$$Z_r \sim \exp(c \binom{r}{\alpha-1})$$

So $Z_r \gg n^{1/2}$ when $r \asymp \log \log n$.

Once $Z_r \gg n^{1/2}$, in the next level it w.h.p connects to the vertex of maximal degree.