

Assortativity Decreases the Robustness of Interdependent Networks

Preliminary Qualifying Oral Examination

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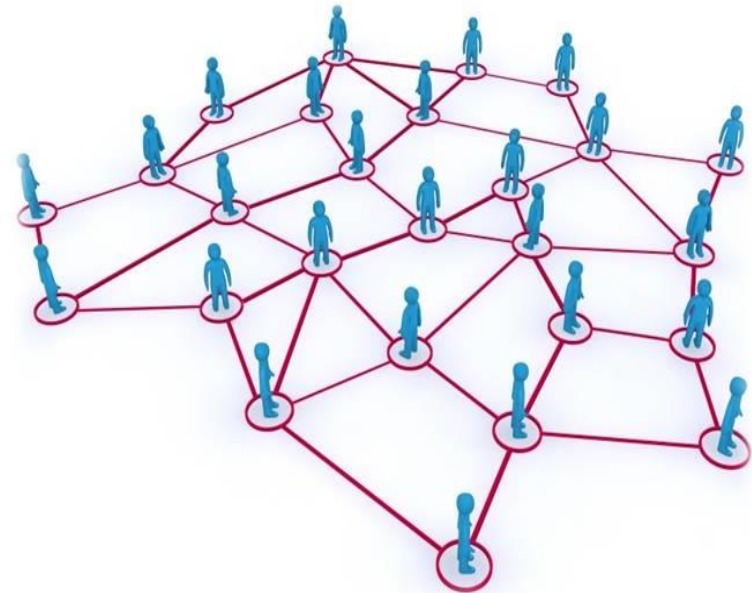
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Motivation

- Why we study networks?



Computer Network (Internet, WWW)



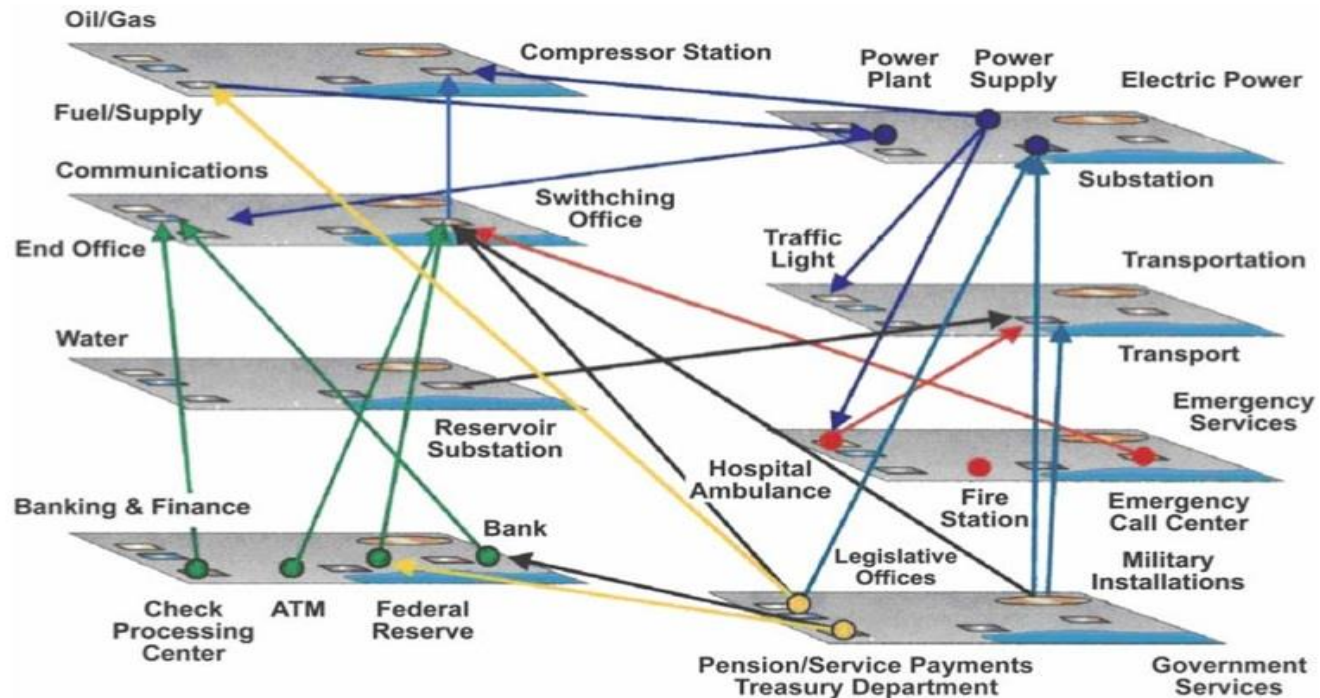
Social Network

Networks are everywhere around us!

Better understanding of networks helps to better utilize / protect them.

Motivation

- Why we study INTERDEPENDENT networks?



Infrastructures (actually, all networks) more or less depend and interact with each other.

Same as single network?

Motivation

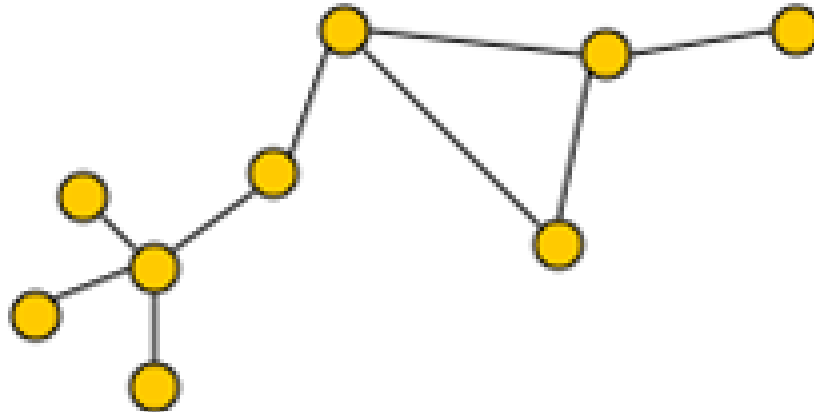
- How we study interdependent networks?
 - Different dynamic models:
 - SI, SIS, SIR ... (Epidemic Model)
 - NCO model, majority rules model ... (Opinion Model)
 - Link / site removing Model ... (Percolation Model)
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 - Here we use Site Removing Percolation Model, because it's a better model to study the structural robustness of networks under attack.

Background Knowledge

- Network :

Nodes and Links

Degree



Background Knowledge

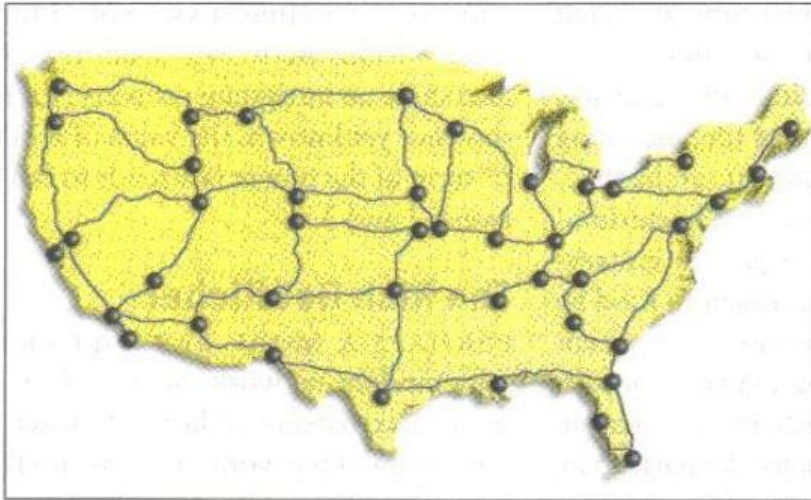
- Degree k , average degree $\langle k \rangle$
- Degree Distribution $P(k)$
- Two Major Kinds of Networks:
 - Erdos-Renyi (ER) network



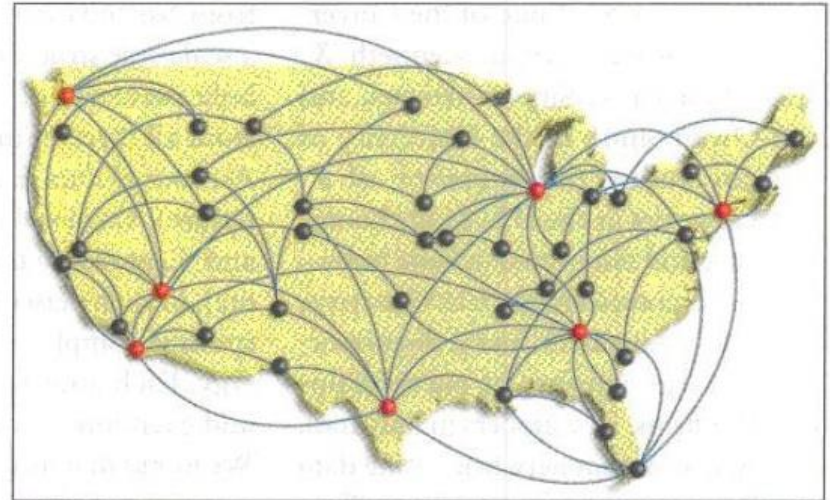
- $P(k) = \frac{\langle k \rangle^k}{k!} e^{-\langle k \rangle}$, Poisson Distribution
- Most nodes have about same number of links
- Scale-Free (SF) network
 - $P(k) = ck^{-\lambda}$, Power-Law Distribution
 - Most nodes have few number of links, but few nodes (hubs) have large number of links (no-scale)

Background Knowledge

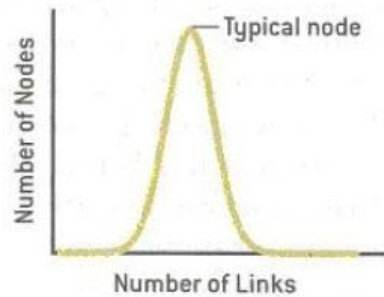
Random Network



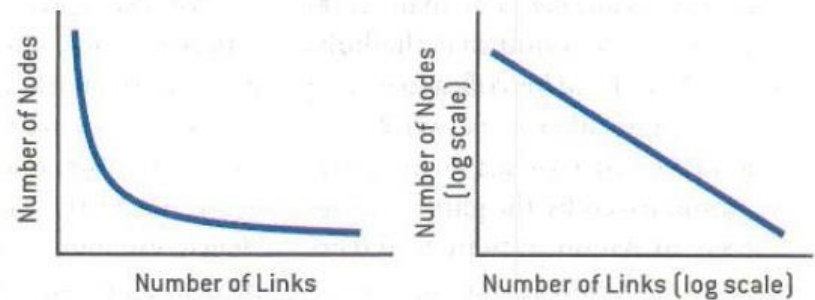
Scale-Free Network



Bell Curve Distribution of Node Linkages

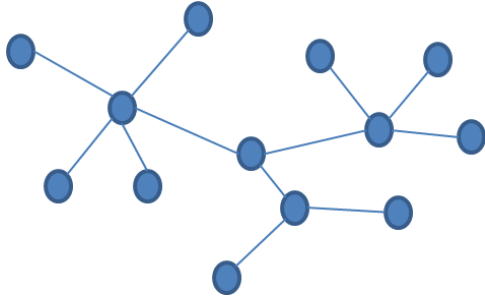


Power Law Distribution of Node Linkages



Background Knowledge

- Assortativity (degree-degree correlation)
- Giant component (largest cluster)

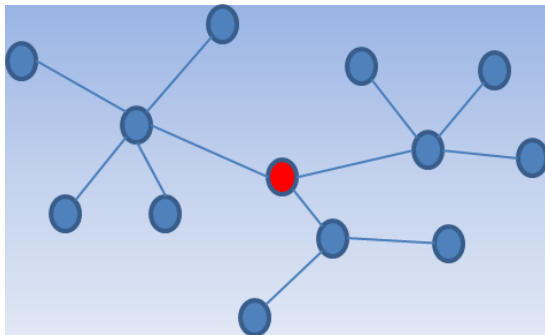


S: Number of nodes in giant cluster

N: Total number of nodes

$s = S / N$: fraction of nodes in S

- Under attack : a network with 13 nodes



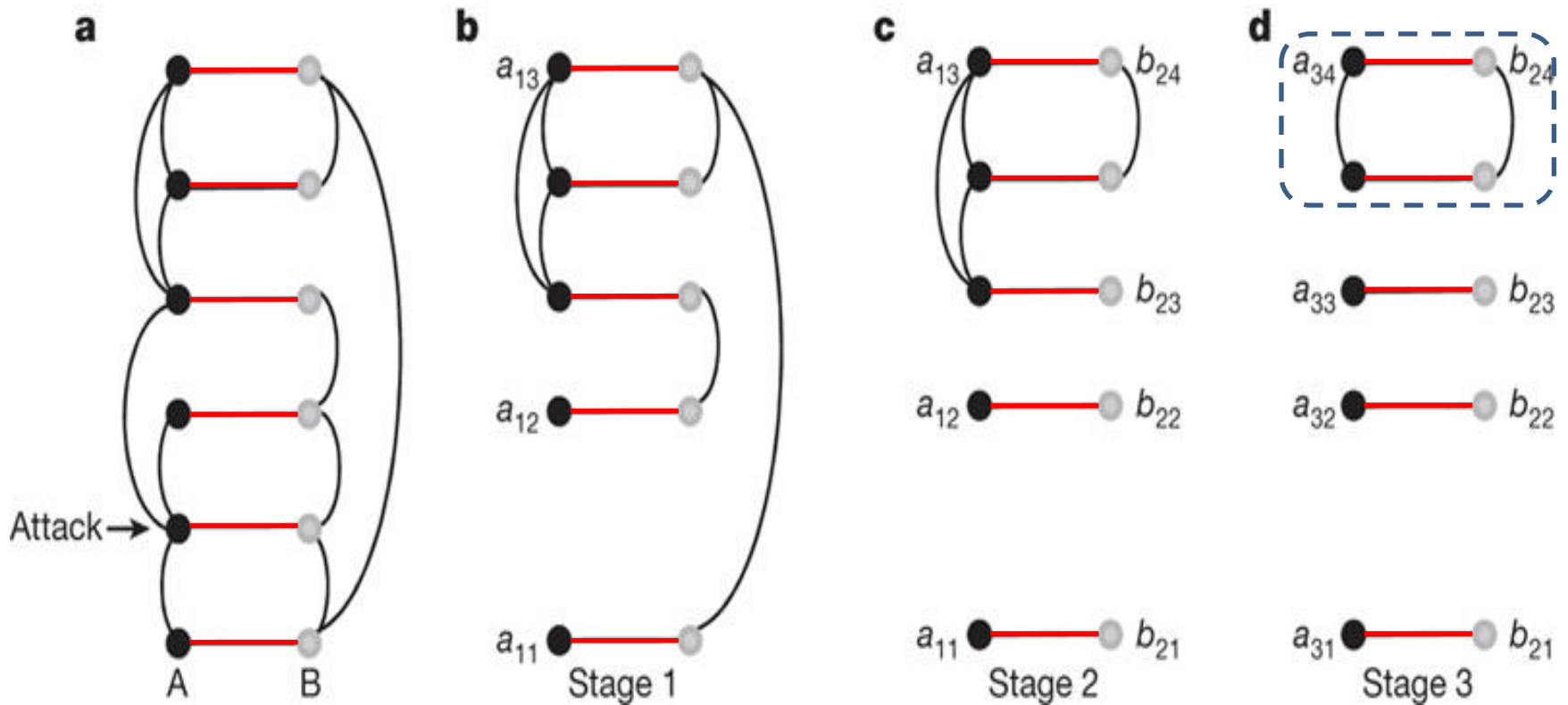
$S=13/13=1$



$S=5/13$

Background Knowledge

- Cascade failure in interdependent networks



Generating Assortativity Network

- Assortativity Coefficient r

$$r \equiv \frac{\langle k_i k_j \rangle_e - \left[\langle (k_i + k_j) / 2 \rangle_e \right]^2}{\langle (k_i^2 + k_j^2) / 2 \rangle_e - \left[\langle (k_i + k_j) / 2 \rangle_e \right]^2}$$

- Define Hamiltonian H

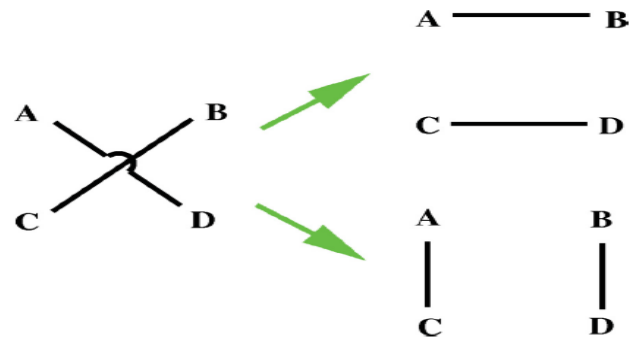
$$H(G) \equiv -J \sum_{i,j} k_i A_{ij} k_j$$

- Monte-Carlo link swapping probability

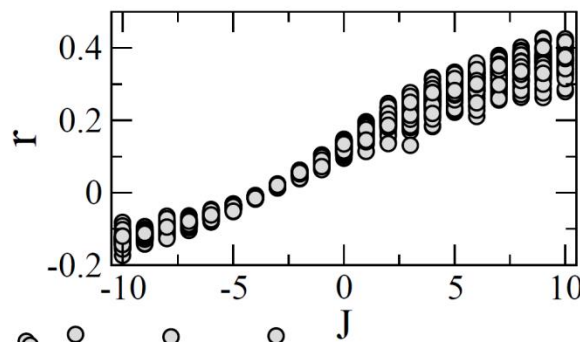
$$P_{swap}(G) = e^{-\Delta H}$$

Generating Assortativity Network

- Swap the link

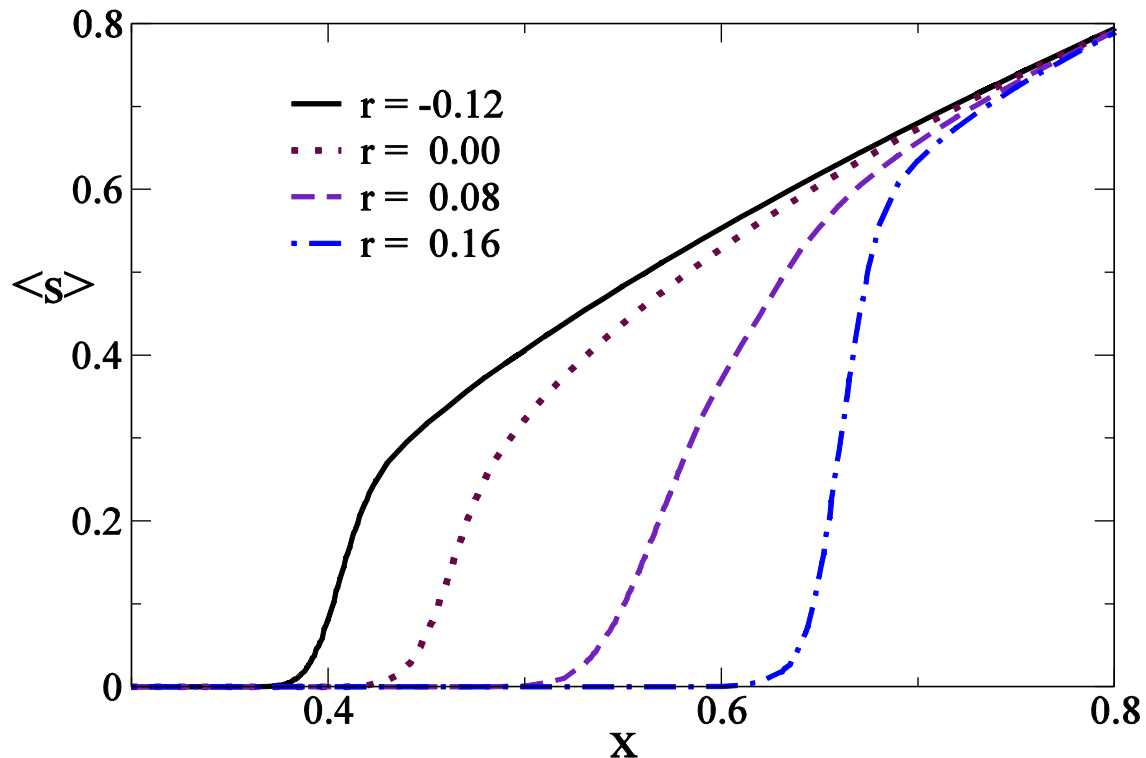


- The $P(k)$, and degree of each node are kept constant
- r is related to H , since $H \propto \langle k_i k_j \rangle$
- If $J > 0$, assortative ; $J < 0$, dis-assortative



Percolation Behavior

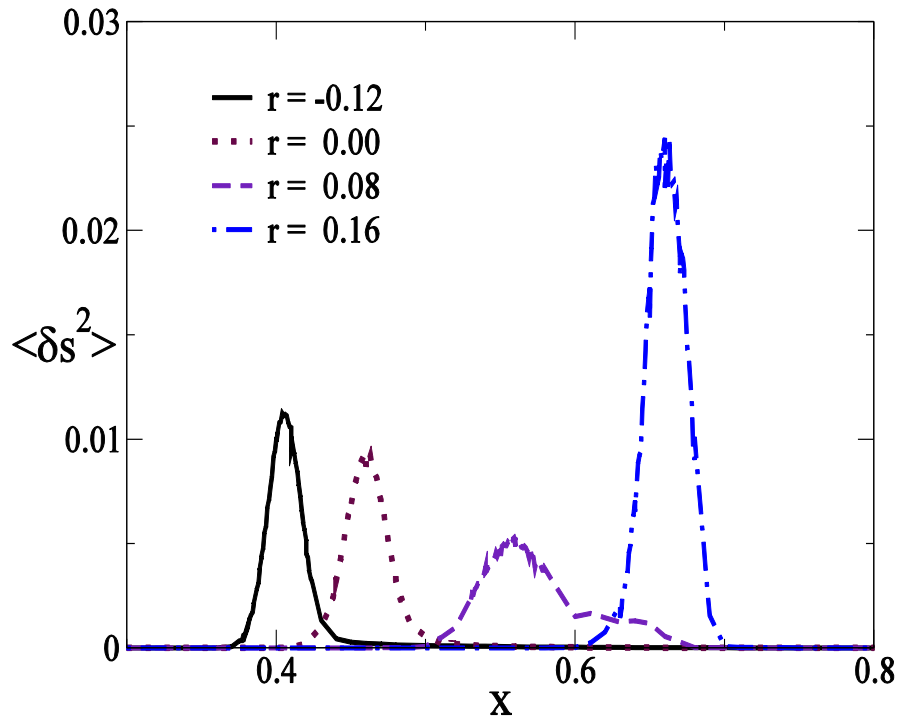
- Randomly attack (remove) $1-x$ fraction of nodes
- $\langle s \rangle$ as a function of fraction of remaining nodes, x



$N=10000$; 100 networks for each r ; 1000 realizations each network

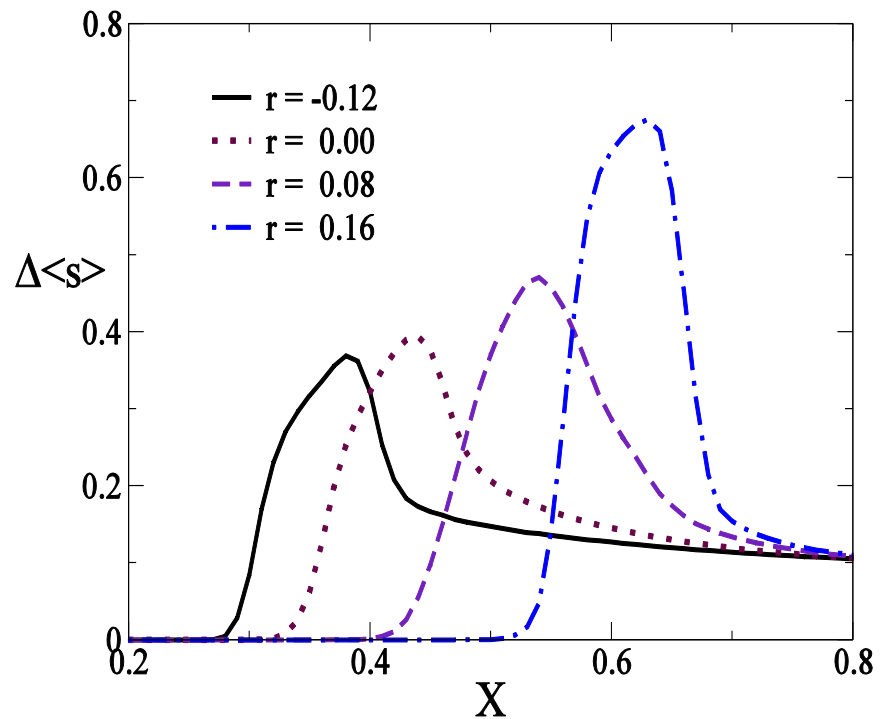
Percolation Behavior

- Determine the position of critical point x_c



Maximum fluctuation

$$\langle (\delta s)^2 \rangle \equiv \langle s^2 \rangle - \langle s \rangle^2$$

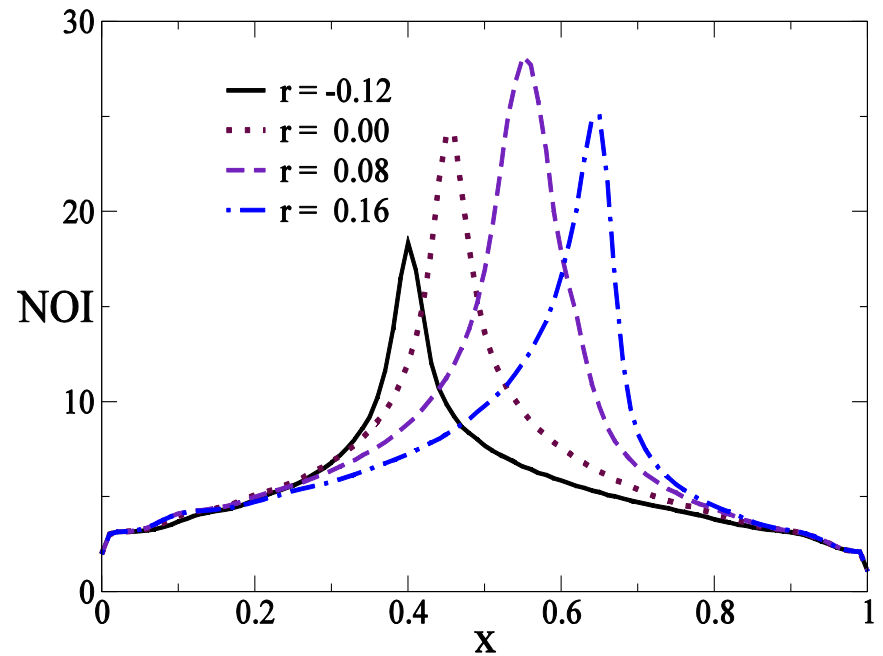
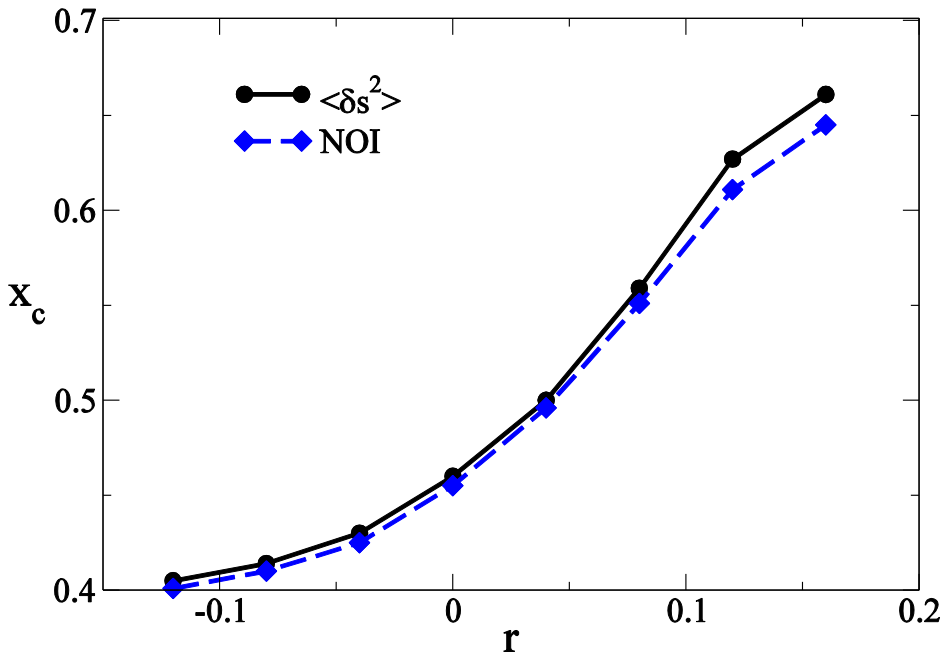


Numerical derivative

$$\Delta \langle s \rangle \equiv \frac{\langle s(x + \epsilon) \rangle - \langle s(x - \epsilon) \rangle}{2\epsilon}$$

Percolation Behavior

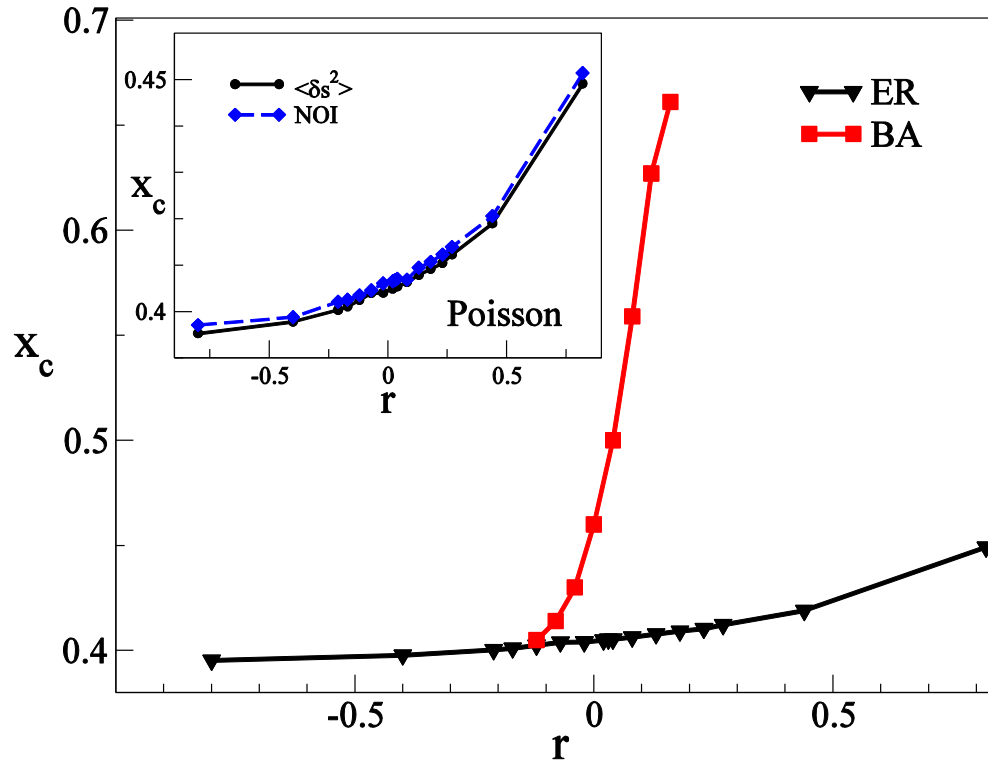
- Use quadratic fit to find the peak position
- Verify



Number-Of-Iteration: number of simulation steps to reach the equilibrium of each x

Percolation Behavior

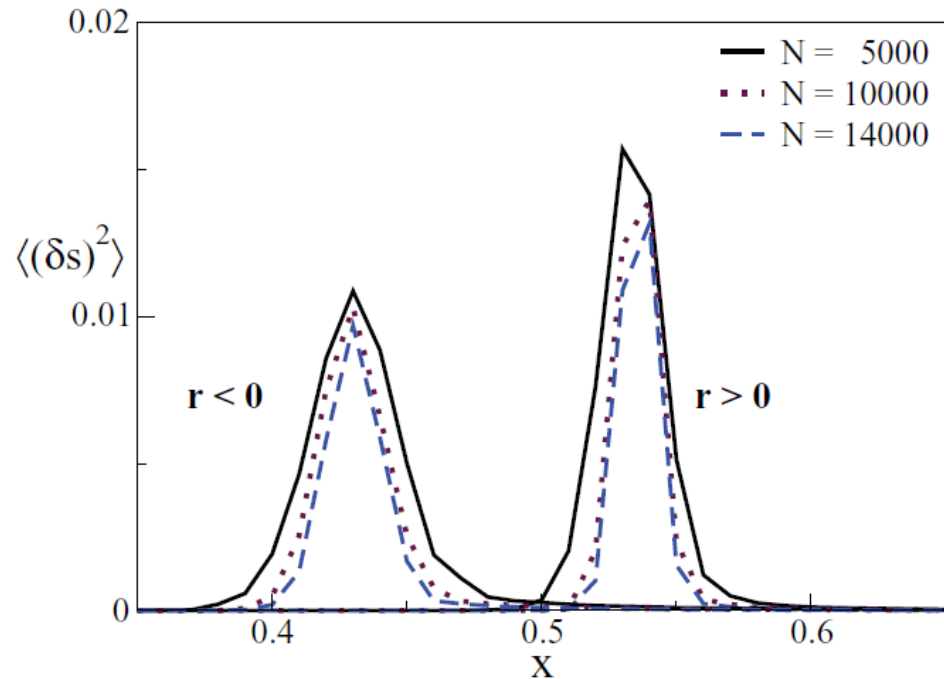
- x_c as a function of r



- SF networks are more sensitive to assortativity change compare to ER network

Percolation Behavior

- First or second order?
- Size effect check



- No second-largest-cluster-peak around x_c
- Thus it's a FIRST-order transition

Conclusion

- Random attacks to a interdependent two-layer system cause cascade failure.
- The percolation phase transition is a first-order transition when $q=1$.
- The percolation threshold decreases with increasing assortativity (in a single network, increasing assortativity makes it more robust).
- SF networks are less robust than ER interdependent pairs.

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Future Work

- Partial interdependence coupling $q < 1$?
- Interdependence links have assortativity (inter-net)?
- Analytical solutions
- Interdependent Global Financial Networks

THANK YOU!

- Probability of a randomly choosing node has degree k : p_k
- the degree distribution for the vertex at the end of a randomly chosen edge is kp_k
- the distribution the number of edges leaving the vertex other than the one we arrived along is $(k + 1)p_{k+1}$
- Normalized distribution q_k of the remaining degree is

$$q_k = \frac{(k+1)p_{k+1}}{\sum_j jp_j}$$
- joint probability distribution of the remaining degrees of the two vertices at either end of a randomly chosen edge e_{jk} , we have $e_{jk} = e_{kj}$, $\sum_{jk} e_{jk} = 1$, $\sum_j e_{jk} = q_k$
- If no assortative/dis-assortative, independent, $e_{jk} = q_j q_k$
- If has, degree-degree correlation

$$\langle jk \rangle - \langle j \rangle \langle k \rangle = \sum_{jk} jk (e_{jk} - q_j q_k)$$
- Divide by maximum value (when $e_{jk} = q_k \delta_{jk}$) :

$$\sigma_q^2 = \sum_k k^2 - \left[\sum_k k q_k \right]^2$$

- Assortativity coefficient

$$r = \frac{1}{\sigma_q^2} \sum_{jk} jk (e_{jk} - q_j q_k)$$

- For observed network

$$r \equiv \frac{\langle k_i k_j \rangle_e - \left[\langle (k_i + k_j) / 2 \rangle_e \right]^2}{\langle (k_i^2 + k_j^2) / 2 \rangle_e - \left[\langle (k_i + k_j) / 2 \rangle_e \right]^2}$$

