Ising models on power-law random graphs

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Ising model

Ising model: paradigm model in statistical physics for *cooperative behavior.*

When studied on complex networks it can model for example *opinion spreading* in society.

We will model complex networks with *power-law random graphs.*

What are effects of *structure* of complex networks on *behavior* of Ising model?

Definition of the Ising model

On a graph G_n, the *ferromagnetic Ising model* is given by the following Boltzmann distributions over $\sigma \in \{-1, +1\}^n$,

$$\mu(\sigma) = \frac{1}{Z_n(\beta, B)} \exp\left\{\beta \sum_{(i,j)\in E_n} \sigma_i\sigma_j + B \sum_{i\in[n]} \sigma_i\right\},$$

where

- $\beta \geq 0$ is the inverse temperature;
- B is the external magnetic field;
- $Z_n(\beta, B)$ is a normalization factor (the *partition function*), i.e.,

$$Z_n(\beta, B) = \sum_{\sigma\in\{-1,1\}^n} \exp\left\{\beta \sum_{(i,j)\in E_n} \sigma_i\sigma_j + B \sum_{i\in[n]} \sigma_i\right\}.$$

Power-law random graphs

In the *configuration model* a graph $G_n = (V_n = [n], E_n)$ is constructed as follows.

- Let D have a certain distribution (the *degree distribution*);
- *Assign* D_i half-edges to each vertex $i \in [n]$, where D_i are i.i.d. like D (Add one half-edge to last vertex when the total number of half-edges is odd);
- *Attach* first half-edge to another half-edge *uniformly at random;*
- Continue until all half-edges are connected.

Special attention to power-law degree sequences, i.e.,

$$\mathbb{P}[D \geq k] \leq ck^{-(\tau-1)}, \qquad \tau > 2.$$

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Let K have distribution (the *forward degree* distribution),

$$\mathbb{P}[K=k] = \frac{(k+1)\mathbb{P}[D=k+1]}{\mathbb{E}[D]}.$$

Locally tree-like structure: a branching process with offspring D in first generation and K in further generations. Also, *uniformly sparse.*

Pressure in thermodynamic limit ($\mathbb{E}[K] < \infty$)

Theorem (Dembo, Montanari, '10)

For a locally tree-like and uniformly sparse graph sequence $\{G_n\}_{n\geq 1}$ with $\mathbb{E}[K] < \infty$, the pressure per particle,

$$\psi_n(\beta, B) = \frac{1}{n} \log Z_n(\beta, B),$$

converges, for $n \to \infty$, to

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Theorem (DGvdH, '10)

Let $\tau > 2$. Then, in the configuration model, the pressure per particle,

$$\psi_n(\beta, B) = \frac{1}{n} \log Z_n(\beta, B),$$

converges almost surely, for $n \to \infty$, to

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Tree recursion

Proposition

Let K_t be i.i.d. like K and $B > 0$. Then, the recursion

$$h^{(t+1)} \stackrel{d}{=} B + \sum_{i=1}^{K_t} \operatorname{atanh}(\tanh(\beta)\tanh(h_i^{(t)})),$$

has a unique fixed point h_β^*.

Interpretation: the *effective field* of a vertex in a *tree* expressed in that of its neighbors.

Uniqueness shown by showing that effect of *boundary conditions* on generation t vanishes for $t \to \infty$.

Correlation inequalities

Lemma (Griffiths, '67, Kelly, Sherman, '68)

For a ferromagnet with positive external field, the magnetization at a vertex will not decrease, when

- *The number of edges increases;*
- *The external magnetic field increases;*
- *The temperature decreases.*

Lemma (Griffiths, Hurst, Sherman, '70)

For a ferromagnet with positive external field, the magnetization is concave in the external fields, i.e.,

$$\frac{\partial^2}{\partial B_k \partial B_\ell} m_j(\underline{B}) \leq 0.$$

Outline of the proof

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Internal energy

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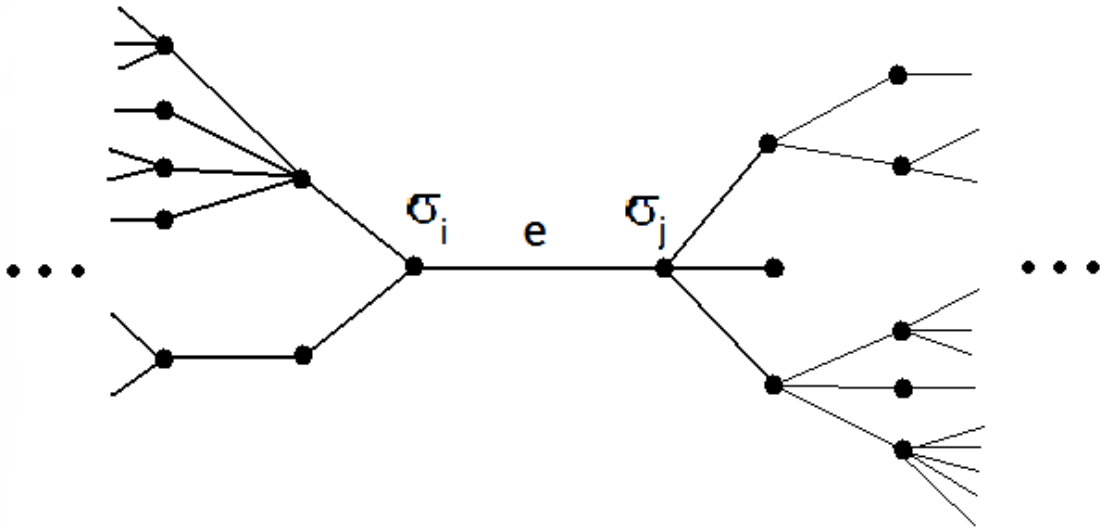

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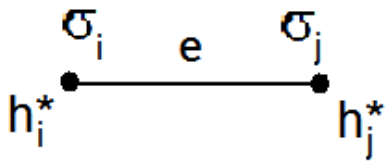

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Derivative of φ

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial\beta}\varphi_{h^*_\beta}(\beta, B) = \frac{\mathbb{E}[D]}{2}\mathbb{E}\left[\left\langle\sigma_i\sigma_j\right\rangle_e\right].$$

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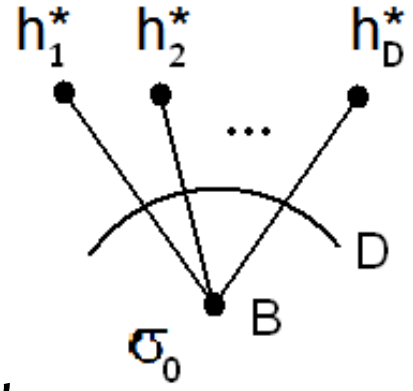
- Show that we can ignore dependence of h^*_β on β; (*Interpolation* techniques. Split analysis into two parts, one for *small degrees* and one for *large degrees*)
- Compute the derivative with assuming β fixed in h^*_β.

Thermodynamic quantities

Corollary

Let $\tau > 2$. Then, in the configuration model, a.s.:
The magnetization is given by

$$m(\beta, B) \equiv \lim_{n\to\infty} \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \langle \sigma_i \rangle_\mu = \frac{\partial}{\partial B} \varphi_{h^*}(\beta, B) = \mathbb{E}\left[\langle \sigma_0 \rangle_{\nu_{D+1}} \right].$$



The susceptibility is given by

$$\chi(\beta, B) \equiv \lim_{n\to\infty} \frac{\partial M_n(\beta, B)}{\partial B} = \frac{\partial^2}{\partial B^2} \varphi_{h^*}(\beta, B).$$

Critical temperature

Define the *magnetization* on G_n as

$$m_n(\beta, B) = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \langle \sigma_i \rangle_\mu .$$

Then, the *spontaneous magnetization,*

$$m(\beta, 0+) = \lim_{B \downarrow 0} m(\beta, B) \begin{cases} = 0, & \beta < \beta_c; \\ > 0, & \beta > \beta_c. \end{cases}$$

The *critical inverse temperature* β_c is given by

$$\mathbb{E}[K](\tanh \beta_c) = 1.$$

Note that, for $\tau \in (2, 3)$, we have $\mathbb{E}[K] = \infty$, so that $\beta_c = 0$.

Critical exponents

Predictions by physicists (e.g. Leone, Vázquez, Vespignani, Zecchina, '02).

Critical behavior of *magnetization* m, and *susceptibility* χ.

	$m(\beta, 0^+), \beta \downarrow \beta_c$	$m(\beta_c, B), B \downarrow 0$	$\chi(\beta, 0^+), \beta \downarrow \beta_c$
$\tau > 5$	$\sim (\beta - \beta_c)^{1/2}$	$\sim B^{1/3}$	$\sim (\beta - \beta_c)^{-1}$
$\tau \in (3, 5)$	$\sim (\beta - \beta_c)^{1/(\tau-3)}$	$\sim B^{1/(\tau-2)}$	
$\tau \in (2, 3)$	$\sim (\beta - \beta_c)^{1/(3-\tau)}$	$\sim B^1$	$\sim (\beta - \beta_c)^1$

Distances in power-law random graphs

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For $\tau > 3$ and $\tau \in (2, 3)$ similar results hold for the diameter of linear preferential attachment models (D, vdH, Hooghiemstra, '10).