### Matchings and rank for random diluted graphs

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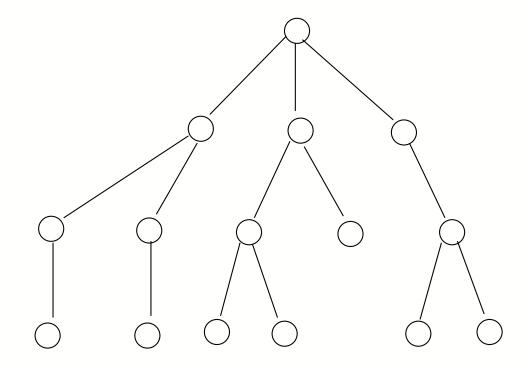
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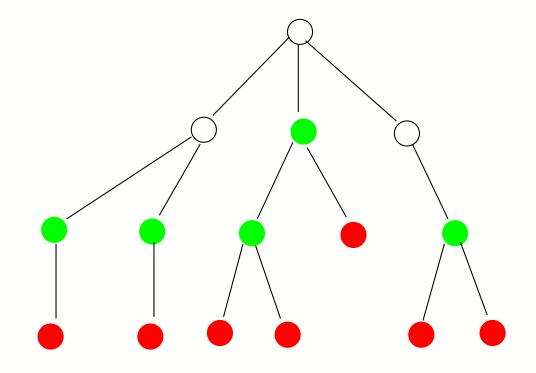
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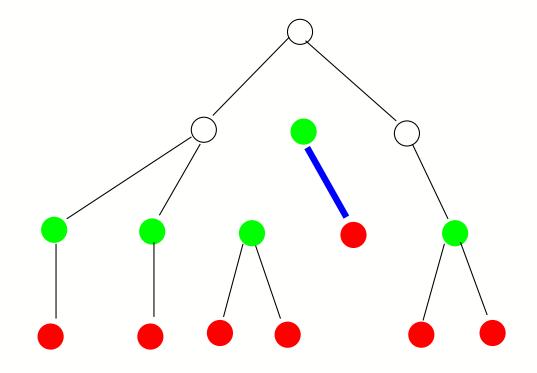
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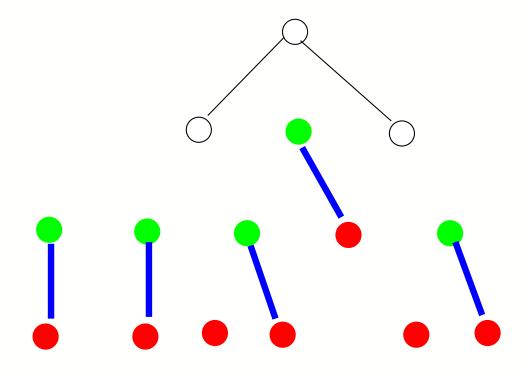
# UNDIRECTED VERTEX GEOGRAPHY

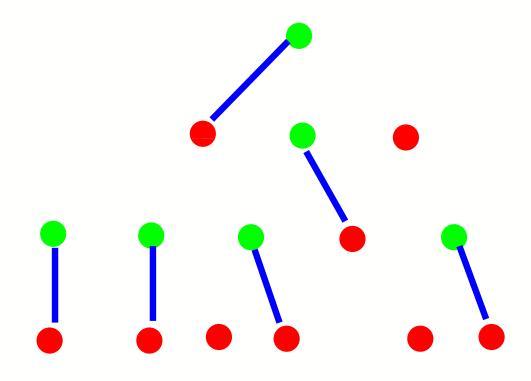
- General graph
- Alice and Bob take turns choosing the edges of a self-avoiding walk
- Whoever gets stuck loses
- All players know all information about gameplay.

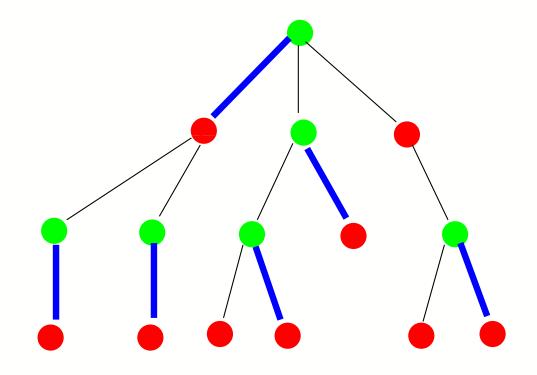












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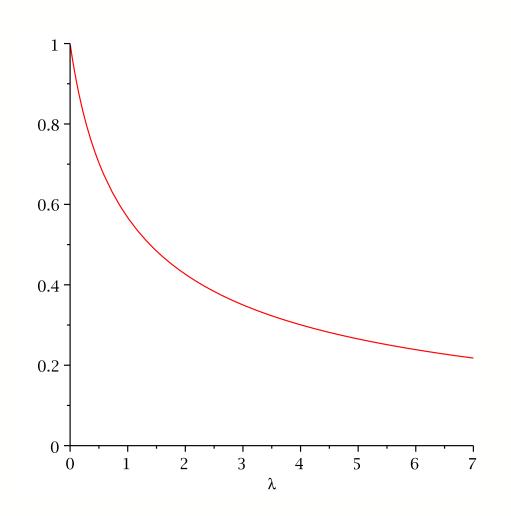
- Let  $p = \mathbb{P}(Bob wins under optimal play) = \mathbb{P}(root is colored red).$
- Thanks to the branching property:

 $\begin{array}{lll} p & = & \mathbb{P}( \text{ all children are green}) \\ & = & \mathbb{P}( \text{ no child is red}) = e^{-\lambda p}, \end{array}$ 

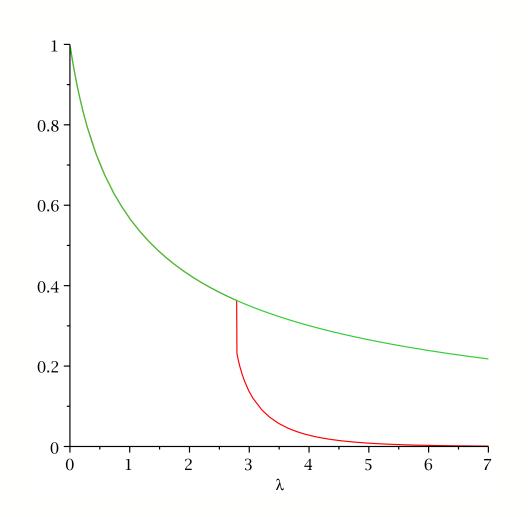
and so

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### A NAIVE GUESS



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#### WHAT HAPPENED?

The solution  $p = \frac{W(\lambda)}{\lambda}$  is the fixed-point of the map:

 $p \mapsto e^{-\lambda p}.$ 

But the truth about the game comes from iterating that map.

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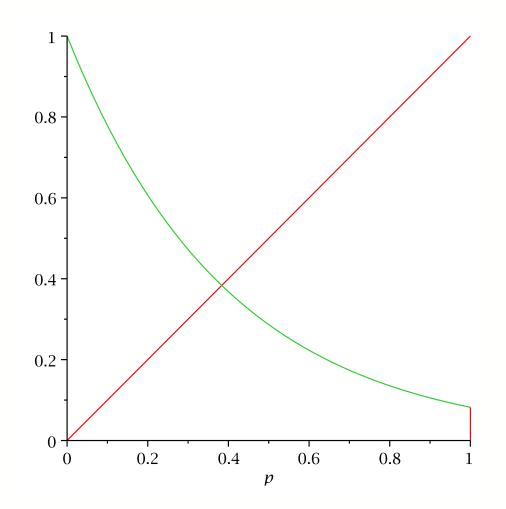
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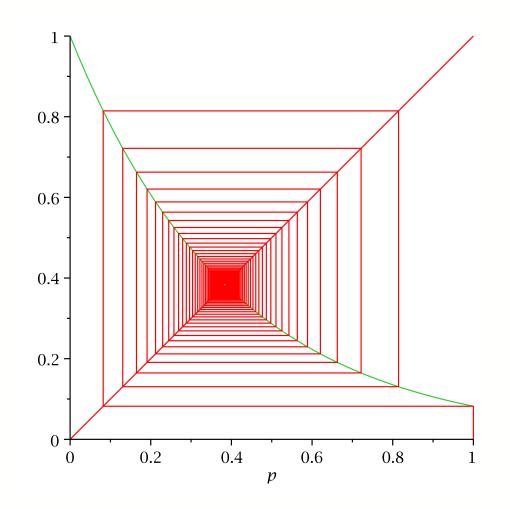
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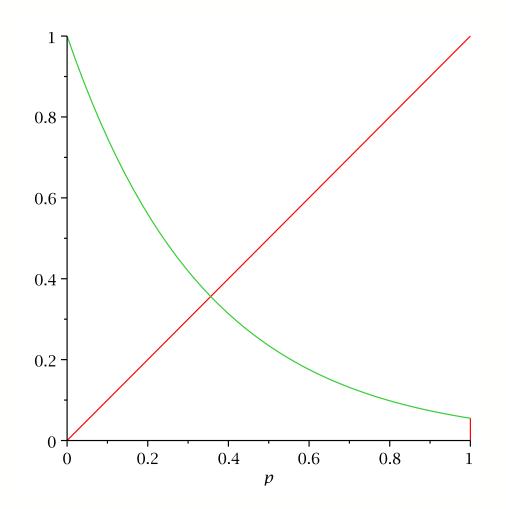
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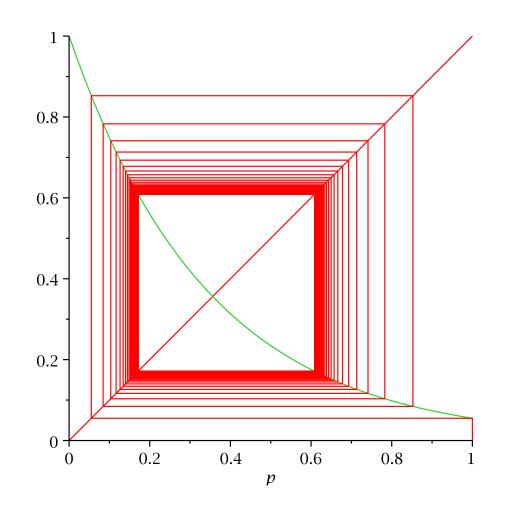
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- Then for  $k \geq 0$ ,

 $p_{k+1} = \mathbb{P}(\text{Bob looses from any child of the root in the }k$ -truncated tree) =  $\mathbb{E}[(1 - p_k)^N]$  where,  $N \sim Po(\lambda)$ =  $e^{-\lambda p_k}$ 

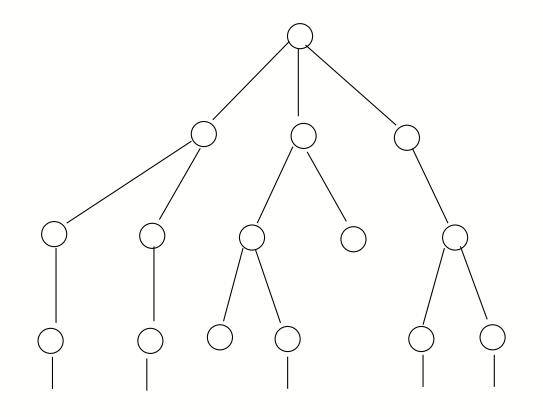




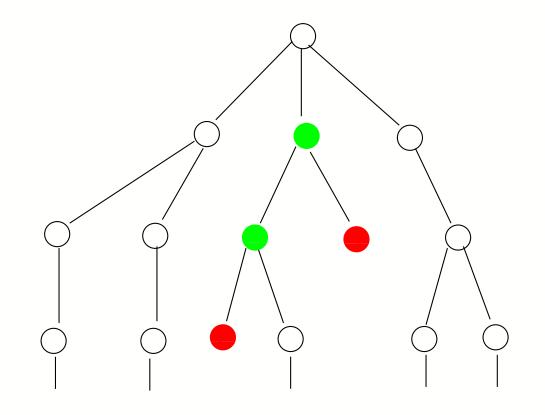




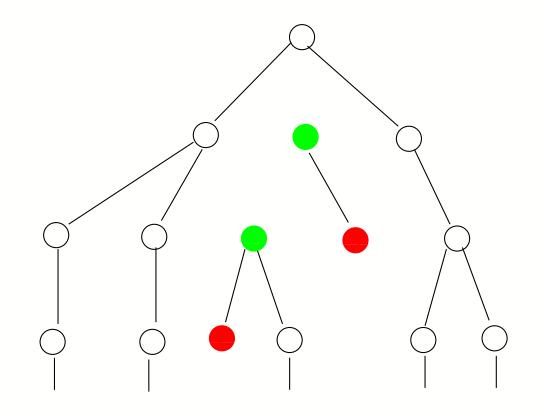
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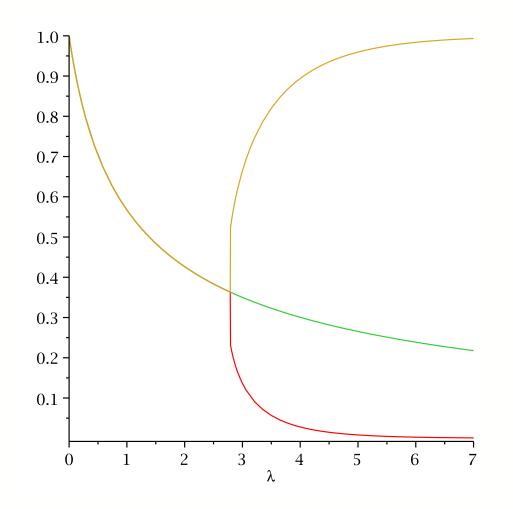
For  $\lambda > e$ , some paths to infinity will never be 'touched' by the algorithm.

These paths constitute the core of the original tree.

Implications for the game:

- if the game starts outside of the core, there will be a winner.
- if the game starts in the core, there exists an infinite sequence of optimal moves staying in the core.

#### TRUTH: DRAW HAPPENS



On the core, the parity of k will determine the winner of the truncated game.

 $Draw \leftrightarrow influence of boundary conditions remains positive.$ 

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### SPECTRAL MEASURE OF FINITE GRAPHS

Let  $G_n = (V_n, E_n)$  be a simple graph on  $V_n = \{1, \cdots, n\}$ . We define  $A_n = \text{Adjacency matrix of } G_n = (\mathbb{I}((i, j) \in E_n))_{1 \le i, j \le n}$ 

Let

$$\lambda_n(A_n) \leq \cdots \leq \lambda_1(A_n)$$

denote the real eigenvalues of the symmetric matrix  $A_n$ .

The spectral measure of  $G_n$  is

$$\mu_n = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \delta_{\lambda_i(A_n)}.$$

The rank of  $A_n$  is

$$\operatorname{rank}(A_n) = 1 - \mu_n(\{0\}).$$

### QUESTIONS

Let  $(G_n), n \in \mathbb{N}$ , be a sequence of graphs on  $V_n = \{1, \dots, n\}$  such that  $G_n$  "converges" to a limit graph G.

- 1. Does  $\mu_n$  converge to a measure  $\mu_G$  for the usual weak convergence topology ?
- 2. Do we have a formula for  $\mu_G$  in some cases ?
- 3. Does rank  $(A_n)$  converge? to  $\mu_G(\{0\})$  ?

### KNOWN RESULTS

Let  $G_n$  is a random graph drawn uniformly on the set of d-regular graphs on n vertices. **Theorem 1** (McKay 1981). For  $d \ge 3$  the spectral measure  $\mu_n$  converges weakly as ngoes to infinity to the deterministic measure  $\mu_{KM}$  supported on  $[-2\sqrt{d-1}, 2\sqrt{d-1}]$ 

$$\mu_{KM}(dx) = \frac{d}{2\pi} \frac{\sqrt{4(d-1) - x^2}}{d^2 - x^2} dx.$$

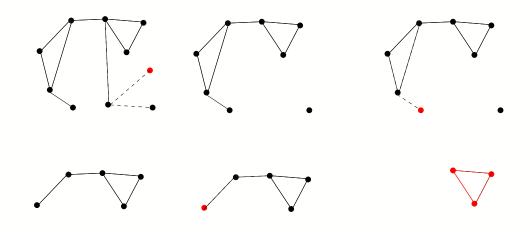
 $\implies \mu_{KM}$  is the Kesten-McKay measure, it first appeared in (Kesten 1959) in the context of simple random walks on groups.

Khorunzhy, Shchrebina, Vengerovsky (04): convergence of the spectral measure for Erdős-Rényi graphs.

Bauer & Gollineli (00): asymptotic rank of the uniform spanning tree on the complete graph.

Bhamidi, Evans, Sen (09): convergence of the spectrum of the adjacency matrix of growing trees.

## LEAF REMOVAL AND RANK

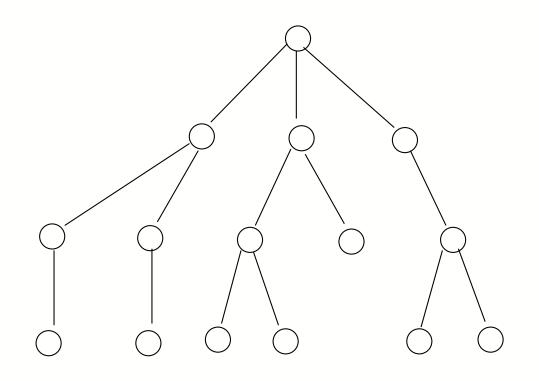


We define  $\operatorname{core}(G_n)$  as the remaining graph after iterative leaf removal and removal of all isolated vertices.

dim ker  $A_n = |\{\text{isolated vertices in leaf removal}\}| + \dim \ker A(\operatorname{core}(G_n)).$ For a finite tree, the core is empty:  $\mu_n(\{0\}) = \frac{1}{n}|\{\text{isolated vertices in leaf removal}\}|.$ In general,  $\mu_n(\{0\}) \ge \frac{1}{n}|\{\text{isolated vertices in leaf removal of } G_n\}|.$ 

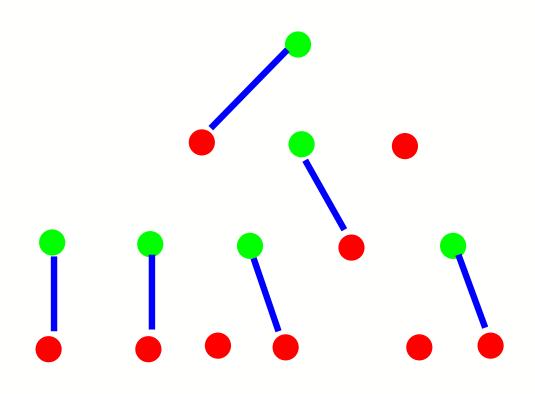
## EXERCISE!

What is the size of the kernel of this tree?



# **SOLUTION**

The size of its kernel is 3.



### **GRAPH ENSEMBLES**

We are interested in a sequence  $G_n$  of random diluted graphs :  $deg(v; G_n) = O(1)$  as the number of vertices n tends to infinity.

Important examples of random graphs on  $\{1, \cdots, n\}$ ,

- Erdős-Rényi graphs with parameter  $p = \lambda/n$ .
- Uniform measure on k-regular graphs.
- Graphs with prescribed degree distribution  $(\pi_k)$ : independently for each vertex, we draw a random number of half-edges with distribution  $(\pi_k)$ . If the total number of half-edge is even, we match them uniformly.

#### SPECTRAL MEASURE ROOTED AT A VERTEX

 $\ell^2(V_n)$  admits an orthonormal basis of eigenvectors  $(b_1, \ldots, b_n)$ , a priori different from the canonical orthonormal basis  $(e_v)_{v \in V_n}$ , such that:

$$\forall x \in \mathbb{C}^n, \quad A_n x = \sum_{i=1}^n \lambda_i (A_n) \langle x, b_i \rangle b_i.$$

The spectral measure of  $G_n$  when rooted at v is simply

$$\mu_{(G_n,v)} = \sum_{i=1}^n |\langle b_i, e_v \rangle|^2 \delta_{\lambda_i(A_n)},$$

so that for any measurable function f,

$$\langle f(A_n)e_v, e_v \rangle = \int_{\mathbb{R}} f(x)d\mu_{(G_n,v)}(x).$$

 $\mu_{(G_n,v)}$  is the contribution of vertex v to the empirical spectral measure:

$$\mu_n = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{v \in V_n} \mu_{(G_n, v)}.$$

### CONVERGENCE OF THE SPECTRAL MEASURE

**Theorem 2.** If  $G_n$  converges weakly under uniform rooting to a rooted Galton-Watson tree (GWT)  $\mathcal{T}$  (with a finite first moment for the offspring distribution), then in probability,

$$\mu_n = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{v \in V_n} \mu_{(G_n, v)} \to \mathbb{E}\mu_{\mathcal{T}}$$

Hence we have an upper bound on the size of the kernel:

$$\limsup_{n \to \infty} \mu_n(\{0\}) \le \mathbb{E}\mu_{\mathcal{T}}(\{0\}),$$

so that the convergence of the rank is proved when

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{1}{n} |\{ \text{isolated vertices in leaf removal of } G_n \}| = \mathbb{E}\mu_{\mathcal{T}}(\{0\}).$$

#### **RESOLVENT AND STIELJES TRANSFORM**

If  $\mathcal{T}$  is a GWT with finite branching, then its adjacency operator  $A_{\mathcal{T}}$  is self-adjoint a.s.

On  $\mathbb{C}_+ = \{z \in \mathbb{C} : \Im(z) > 0\}$ , the Stieljes transform of  $\mu_T$  is defined by

$$s_{\mathcal{T}}(z) = \int_{\mathbb{R}} \frac{\mu_{\mathcal{T}}(dx)}{x - z} = \langle R_{\mathcal{T}}(z)e_o, e_o \rangle,$$

where

$$R_{\mathcal{T}}(z) = (A_{\mathcal{T}} - zI)^{-1}$$

is the resolvent of the adjacency operator of  $\mathcal{T}$ .

 $\implies$  The Stieltjes transform characterizes the probability measure.

In particular,  $\mu_{\mathcal{T}}(\{0\}) = \lim_{t \downarrow 0} t\Im s_{\mathcal{T}}(it).$ 

### STIELTJES TRANSFORM FOR INFINITE TREES

Schur's identity for an invertible hermitian matrix B =

$$= \begin{pmatrix} b_{11} & u^* \\ u & \tilde{B} \end{pmatrix},$$

$$(B^{-1})_{11} = \left(b_{11} - u^* \tilde{B}^{-1} u\right)^{-1}.$$

For a tree  $\mathcal{T}$ , we get for  $B = A_{\mathcal{T}} - zI$ ,

$$s_{T}(z) = \langle R_{T}(z)e_{o}, e_{o} \rangle = -\left(z + \sum_{\substack{v \neq o \\ v \neq o}} \langle R_{T\setminus o}(z)e_{v}, e_{v} \rangle\right)^{-1}$$
$$= -\left(z + \sum_{\substack{v \neq o \\ v \neq o}} s_{T_{v}}(z)\right)^{-1}.$$

### **RDE FOR STIELTJES TRANSFORM**

Thanks to the branching property, we get a Recursive Distributional Equation (RDE) for the law of  $s_{\mathcal{T}}(.)$ .

Let  $\mathcal{H}$  be the set of holomorphic functions from  $\mathbb{C}_+$  to  $\mathbb{C}_+$  such that  $|f(z)| \leq (\Im z)^{-1}$ .

**Theorem 3.** (i) There exists an unique probability measure on  $\mathcal{H}$  such that

$$s(.) \stackrel{d}{=} -\left((.) + \sum_{k=1}^{N} s_k(.)\right)^{-1},$$

where  $s_k$ , s are i.i.d. copies independent of N with law  $(\pi_k^s)$ .

(ii) The law of the Stieltjes transform of  $\mu_T$  is given by,

$$s_{\mathcal{T}}(.) \stackrel{d}{=} -\left((.) + \sum_{k=1}^{N_*} s_k(.)\right)^{-1},$$

where  $N_*$  has distribution  $(\pi_k)$  and  $s_k$  are independents with law s.

### **RDE FOR THE KERNEL**

Recall that  $\mu_T(\{0\}) = \lim_{t\downarrow 0} t\Im s_T(it)$ . Let  $h(t) = \Im s(it)$ , so that by definition,

$$h(t) \stackrel{d}{=} \left(t + \sum_{i=1}^{N} h_i(t)\right)^{-1}$$

and then iterating once,

$$th(t) \stackrel{d}{=} \left( 1 + \sum_{i=1}^{N} \left( t^2 + \sum_{j=1}^{N_i} th_{i,j}(t) \right)^{-1} \right)^{-1}.$$

If  $\xi = \lim_{t\downarrow 0} th(t) \in [0,1]$ , we get

$$\xi = \left(1 + \sum_{i=1}^{N} \left(\sum_{j=1}^{N_i} \xi_{i,j}\right)^{-1}\right)^{-1}$$

### SOLVING THE RDE FOR THE KERNEL

If  $\varphi$  is the generating function of the asymptotic degree distribution, let

# $F(x) = \varphi'(1)x\overline{x} + \varphi(1-x) + \varphi(1-\overline{x}) - 1,$

where  $\overline{x} = \varphi'(1-x)/\varphi'(1)$ .

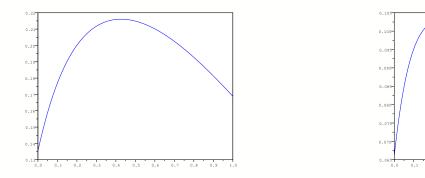
*F* admits an historical record at *x* if  $x = \overline{x}$  and F(x) > F(y) for any  $0 \le y < x$ . **Theorem 4.** If  $p_1 < \ldots < p_r$  are the locations of the historical records of *F*, then the RDE admits exactly *r* solutions, say  $0 \le X_1 <_{st} \ldots <_{st} X_r \le 1$ , and for any  $i \in \{1, \ldots, r\}, \mathbb{E}[X_i] = F(p_i)$ .

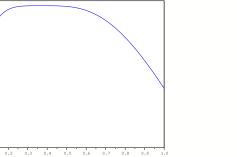
# ERDŐS RÉNYI GRAPHS

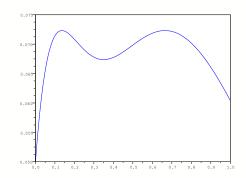
The core does not contribute to the size of the kernel as n tends to infinity:

 $\mu_n(\{0\}) = n^{-1} |\{\text{isolated vertices in LR}\}| + n^{-1} \dim \ker \operatorname{core}(G_n) \\ = \mathbb{E}\mu_T(\{0\}) + o(n) \\ = p + e^{-\lambda p} + \lambda p e^{-\lambda p} - 1,$ 

where p is the smallest root of  $x = e^{-\lambda e^{-\lambda x}}$ .



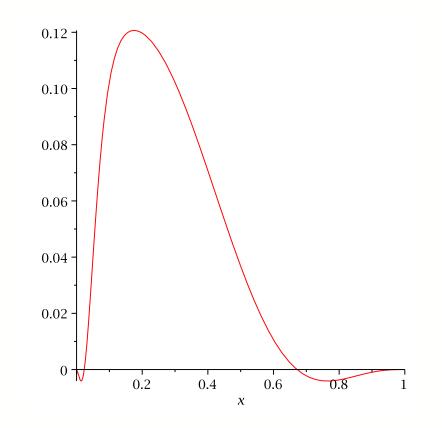




Function *F* for  $\lambda = 2$ ,  $\lambda = e$  and  $\lambda = 3$ .

### **OPEN PROBLEM**

When the RDE has more than one solution, then  $n^{-1}|\{\text{isolated vertices in LR}\}|$  converges to the smallest one and  $\mathbb{E}\mu_{\mathcal{T}}(\{0\})$  to the largest one!



Function F for  $\pi_d = \frac{d}{1+d}$  and  $\pi_{d^3} = \frac{1}{1+d}$ .

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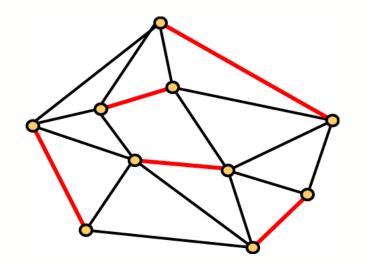
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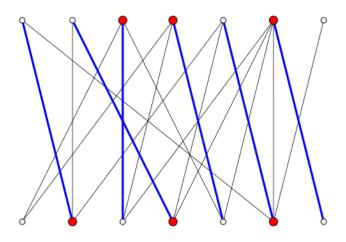
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## MAXIMUM MATCHINGS

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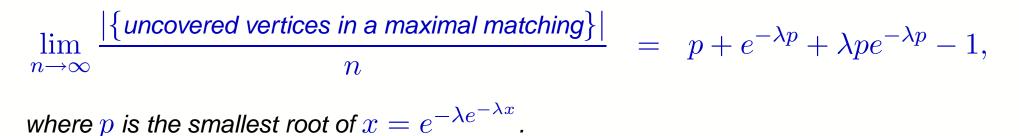
- The matching is perfect if all vertices are covered.
- The matching is maximum if the number of covered vertices is maximum.





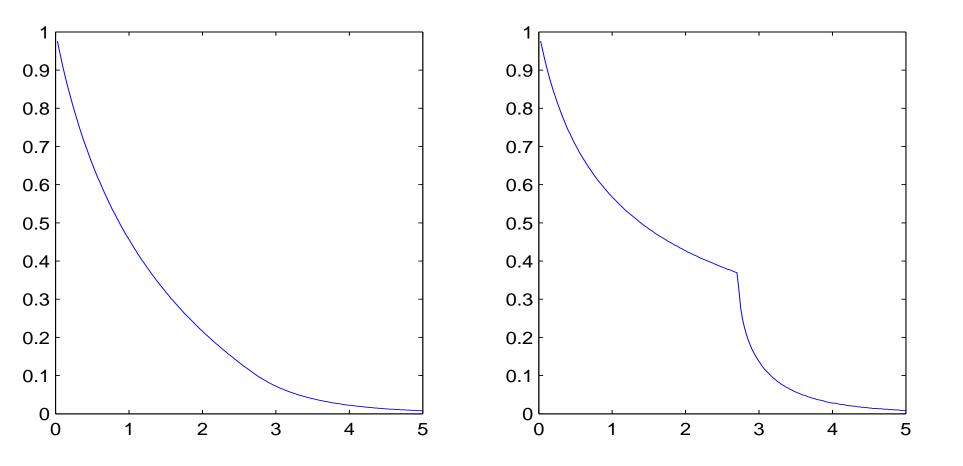
## MAXIMUM MATCHING IN ERDŐS-RÉNYI GRAPHS

Let  $G_n$  be an Erdős-Rényi graph on  $\{1, \dots, n\}$  with parameter  $\lambda/n$ . **Theorem 5** (Karp & Sipser (82)). *In probability,* 



If  $0 \le \lambda \le e$  then  $p = e^{-\lambda p}$  is solution to the Lambert equation. If  $\lambda > e$ ,  $x = e^{-\lambda e^{-\lambda x}}$  has two solutions in [0, 1].

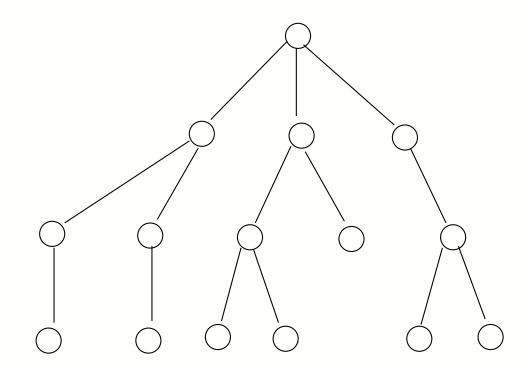
#### MAXIMUM MATCHING AS FUNCTION OF THE INTENSITY



*Left:*  $\lim_{n\to\infty} |\{\text{uncovered vertices in a maximal matching}\}|/n$  as function of  $\lambda$ . *Right:* q, smallest root of  $x = e^{-\lambda e^{-\lambda x}}$ , as function of  $\lambda$ .

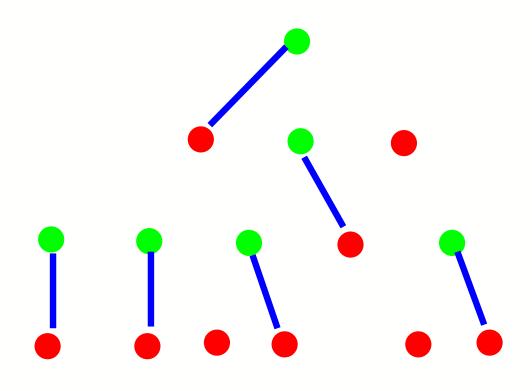
## EXERCISE!

What is the number of uncovered vertices in a maximum matching of this tree?



# **SOLUTION**

The minimal number of uncovered vertices is 3.



### **BOLTZMANN MEASURE**

#### (Zdeborová & Mézard 06)

Let G = (V, E) be a simple finite graph with M a matching of G.

The defect (energy) of M, denoted H(M), is the number of uncovered vertices in M.

The associated Boltzmann measure with temperature  $z \ge 0$  is

$$\mu_G^z(M) = \frac{z^{H(M)}}{P_G(z)}$$

where  $P_G(z)$  is the matching defect polynomial:

$$P_G(z) = \sum_{\substack{M : \text{matchings}}} z^{H(M)}.$$

## ? CONVERGENCES ?

Do we have convergence of the energy density ?

$$\frac{1}{n} \langle H(M) \rangle_{z,G} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{\substack{M \text{ : matchings}}} H(M) \mu_G^z(M)$$

YES in the following cases:

- zero temperature z = 0:
  - Karp & Sipser (82) for Erdős-Rényi graph.
  - Bohman & Frieze (09) with a 'log-concave' condition on the degree distribution.
- positive temperature z > 0:
  - Bayati & Nair (06) under a restrictive large girth condition.
  - Bayati, Gamarnik, Katz, Nair, Tetali (07) for very high temperature.

For the random assignment problem: it converges at zero temperature to  $\zeta(2)$ , Aldous (01) and at very high temperature, Talagrand (03).

### THE CAVITY METHOD

Rewrite the energy density as follows:

$$\frac{1}{n} \langle H(M) \rangle_{z,G} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{o \in V} \mu_G^z(o \text{ is uncovered}).$$
 (1)

Use the fundamental recursion relation:

$$P_G(z) = \sum_{M : \text{matchings}} z^{H(M)} = z P_{G-o}(z) + \sum_{v \sim o} P_{G-\{o,v\}}(z).$$

Multiply by  $zP_{G-o}(z)^{-1}$ , to derive a recursive identity for the marginal probability of exposure:

$$\mu_G^z(o \text{ is uncovered}) = \frac{z P_{G-o}(z)}{P_G(z)} = f_{[G,o]}(z) = \frac{z^2}{z^2 + \sum_{v \sim o} f_{[G-o,v]}(z)}.$$

On a Galton-Watson tree (GWT), we obtain a Recursive Distributional Equation (RDE) and 'the mean of its solution is the limit of (1)', Aldous & Steele (03).

### THE RDE AT ZERO TEMPERATURE

Fixed point equation for the distribution of  $f(z) \in [0, 1]$ :

$$f(z) \stackrel{d}{=} \frac{z^2}{z^2 + \sum_{i=1}^N f_i(z)},$$

where  $N \sim$  the standard size biased degree distribution of the random graph. By iterating once

$$f(z) \stackrel{d}{=} \frac{1}{1 + \sum_{i=1}^{N} \frac{1}{z^2 + \sum_{j=1}^{N_i} f_{ij}(z)}}$$

and letting  $z \rightarrow 0$ :

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$$F(x) = \varphi'(1)x\overline{x} + \varphi(1-x) + \varphi(1-\overline{x}) - 1,$$

where  $\overline{x} = \varphi'(1-x)/\varphi'(1)$ .

*F* admits an historical record at *x* if  $x = \overline{x}$  and F(x) > F(y) for any  $0 \le y < x$ . **Theorem 6.** If  $p_1 < \ldots < p_r$  are the locations of the historical records of *F*, then the *RDE* admits exactly *r* solutions, say  $0 \le X_1 <_{st} \ldots <_{st} X_r \le 1$ , and for any  $i \in \{1, \ldots, r\}, \mathbb{E}[X_i] = F(p_i).$ 

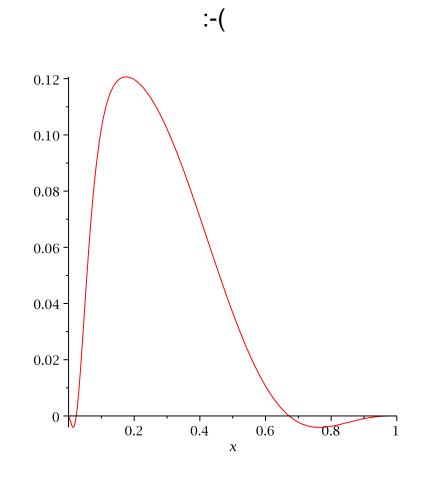
For Erdős-Rényi random graphs,  $\varphi(x) = e^{\lambda(1-x)}$ , *F* has a unique record and we recover the result of Karp and Sipser.

The log-concave condition of Bohman and Frieze ensures that F has a unique record.

### **OPEN PROBLEM**

What happens when the RDE has more than one solution?

No correlation decay: influence of boundary conditions remains positive.

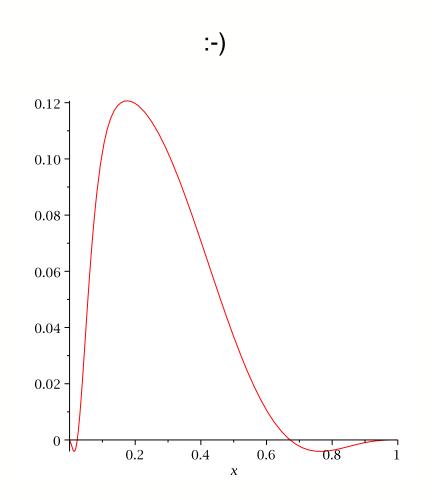


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#### PROBLEM

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Look at positive temperature:



Function *F* for 
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### THE RDE AT POSITIVE TEMPERATURE

A contracting property:

$$\begin{aligned} |f(z) - g(z)| &= \left| \frac{z^2}{z^2 + \sum_{i=1}^N f_i(z)} - \frac{z^2}{z^2 + \sum_{i=1}^N g_i(z)} \right| \\ &\leq \frac{\sum_{i=1}^N |f_i(z) - g_i(z)|}{z^2}. \end{aligned}$$

Hence with the Wasserstein distance:

$$W(f(z), g(z)) \leq \frac{\mathbb{E}[N]}{z^2} W(f(z), g(z)),$$

so that for  $z > \sqrt{\mathbb{E}[N]}$ , the RDE has a unique solution by the Banach fixed point Theorem.

### HEILMANN-LIEB THEOREM

We denote by  $\mathcal{H}$  the space of holomorphic functions on the half-plane  $\mathbb{H}_+ = \{z \in \mathbb{C}, \Re(z) > 0\}$  taking real non-negative values on  $(0, \infty)$ . **Theorem 7** (Heilmann-Lieb (72)).  $z \in \mathbb{H}_+ \Longrightarrow P_G(z) \in \mathbb{H}_+$ .

Hence, the marginal probability of exposure  $f_{[G,o]}(z) = \mu_G^z(o \text{ is uncovered}) = \frac{zP_{G-o}(z)}{P_G(z)} \text{ belongs to } \mathcal{H}.$ Corollary 1. The RDE on  $\mathcal{H}$ :

$$f(.) \stackrel{d}{=} \frac{(.)^2}{(.)^2 + \sum_{i=1}^N f_i(.)},$$

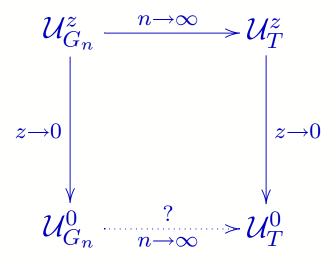
has a unique solution and the energy density converges to:

$$\frac{1}{n} \langle H(M) \rangle_{z,G_n} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{o \in V} f_{[G_n,o]}(z) \to \mathbb{E} \left[ \frac{z^2}{z^2 + \sum_{i=1}^{N'} f_i(z)} \right]$$

where  $f_i$  are iid solutions of the RDE.

### **EXCHANGE OF LIMITS**

Let  $\mathcal{U}_G^z$  be the (random) set of vertices uncovered in a Boltzmann matching of G at temperature z.



A priori,

$$\mathbb{E}[f_T(0)] = \max_{x \in [0,1]} F(x) \ge \limsup \frac{1}{n} \langle H(M) \rangle_{0,G_n} = \limsup \frac{1}{n} \sum_{o \in V} f_{[G_n,o]}(0)$$

This bound is tight!

#### A SIMPLE TRICK

The entropy of the law  $\mu_G^z$  is defined by:

$$S_G(z) = -\sum_M \mu_G^z(M) \ln \mu_G^z(M).$$

A simple rewriting of the matching defect polynomial gives:

$$\frac{\ln P_G(z)}{\ln z} = \langle H(M) \rangle_{z,G} + \frac{S_G(z)}{\ln z} \le \langle H(M) \rangle_{0,G},$$

 $S_G(z) \leq \ln(\text{number of matchings}).$ 

Hence dividing by n, we get

and

$$\lim_{z \to 0} \lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{1}{n} \langle H(M) \rangle_{z,G_n} + \frac{1}{n} \frac{S_{G_n}(z)}{\ln z} = \mathbb{E}[f_T(0)] \le \liminf \frac{1}{n} \langle H(M) \rangle_{0,G_n}$$

# SUMMARY OF STORY (iii)

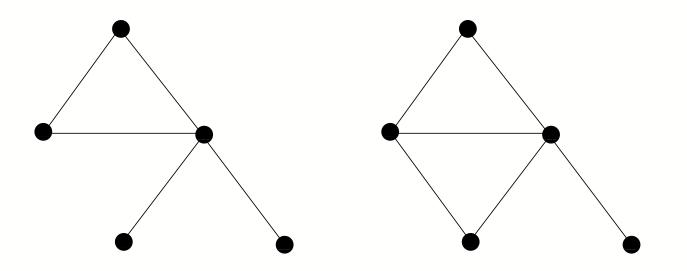
- If  $G_n$  converges weakly under uniform rooting to a rooted Galton-Watson tree (GWT)  $\mathcal{T}$  (with a finite first moment for the offspring distribution), then its matching number converges to the largest solution of the zero temperature RDE associated with  $\mathcal{T}$ .
- If there is only one solution to the zero temperature RDE, either there is no core or there exists a (almost) perfect matching on the core.
- If there are more than one solution to the zero temperature RDE, a positive fraction of the vertices of the core are uncovered in any maximum matching.
  - $\rightarrow$  disprove a conjecture of Wormald on Hamiltonicity of random graphs.

# SUMMARY OF STORY (ii)

Our proof for the convergence of the rank works only when the 'zero temperature' RDE has a unique solution, i.e. when there is a (almost) perfect matching on the core.

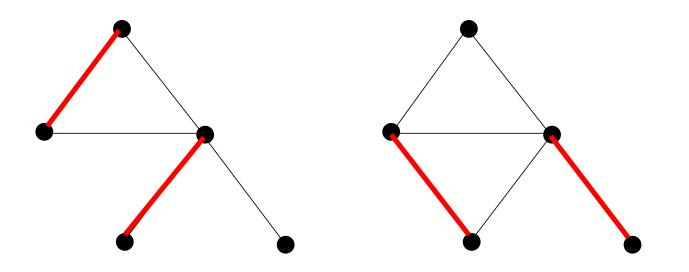
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# SUMMARY OF STORY (i)

Undirected Vertex Geography on an Erdős-Rényi graph:

- if  $\lambda \leq e$ , the core is asymptotically negligible so the average probability of loss is given by the Lambert function.
- if  $\lambda > e$ , ??

# END OF THE STORIES

THANK YOU!