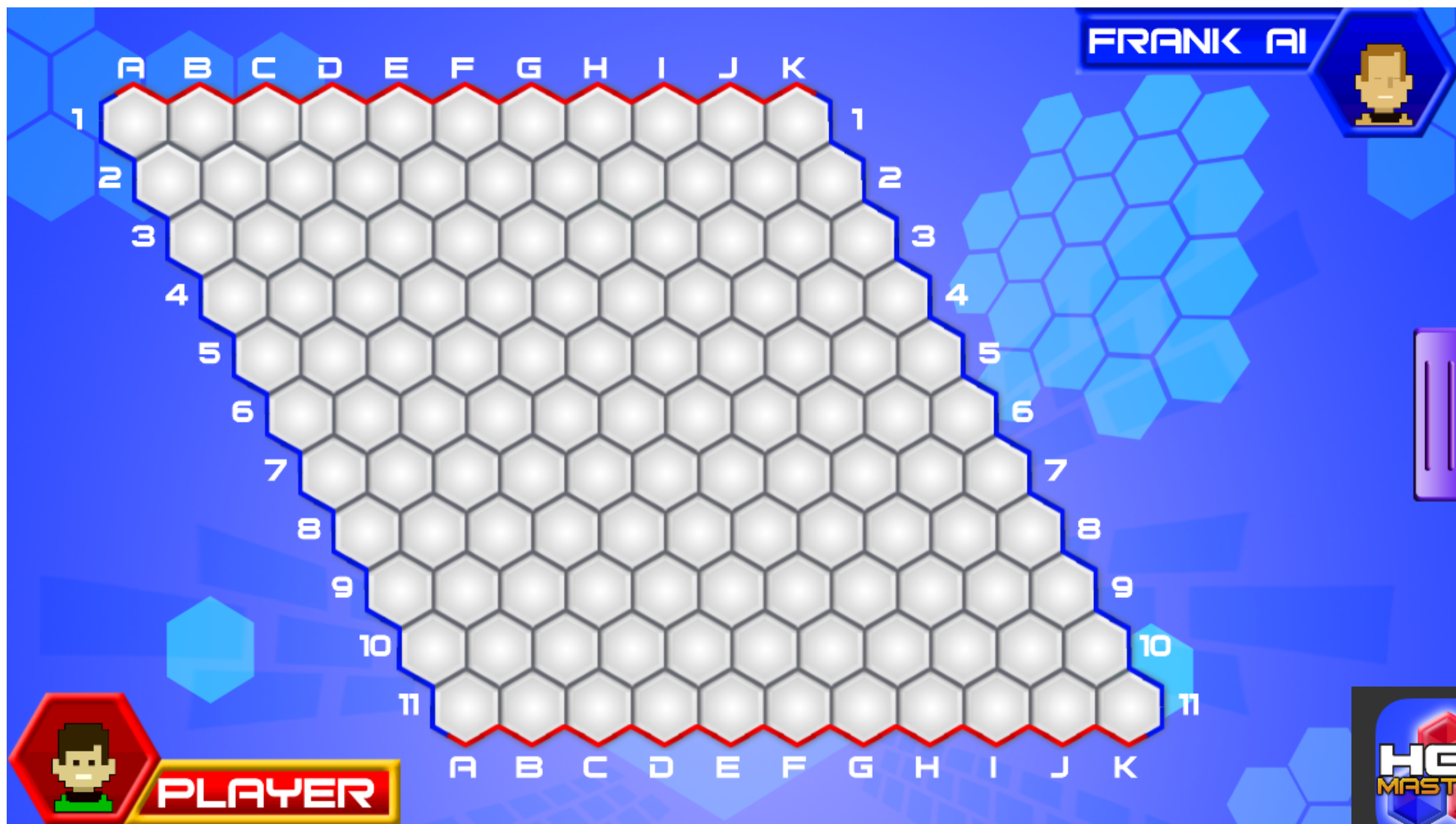


Lecture 2

Review



What this course is about...

- Tools for research
- Theoretical foundations, mathematical tools, modeling, equilibrium notions

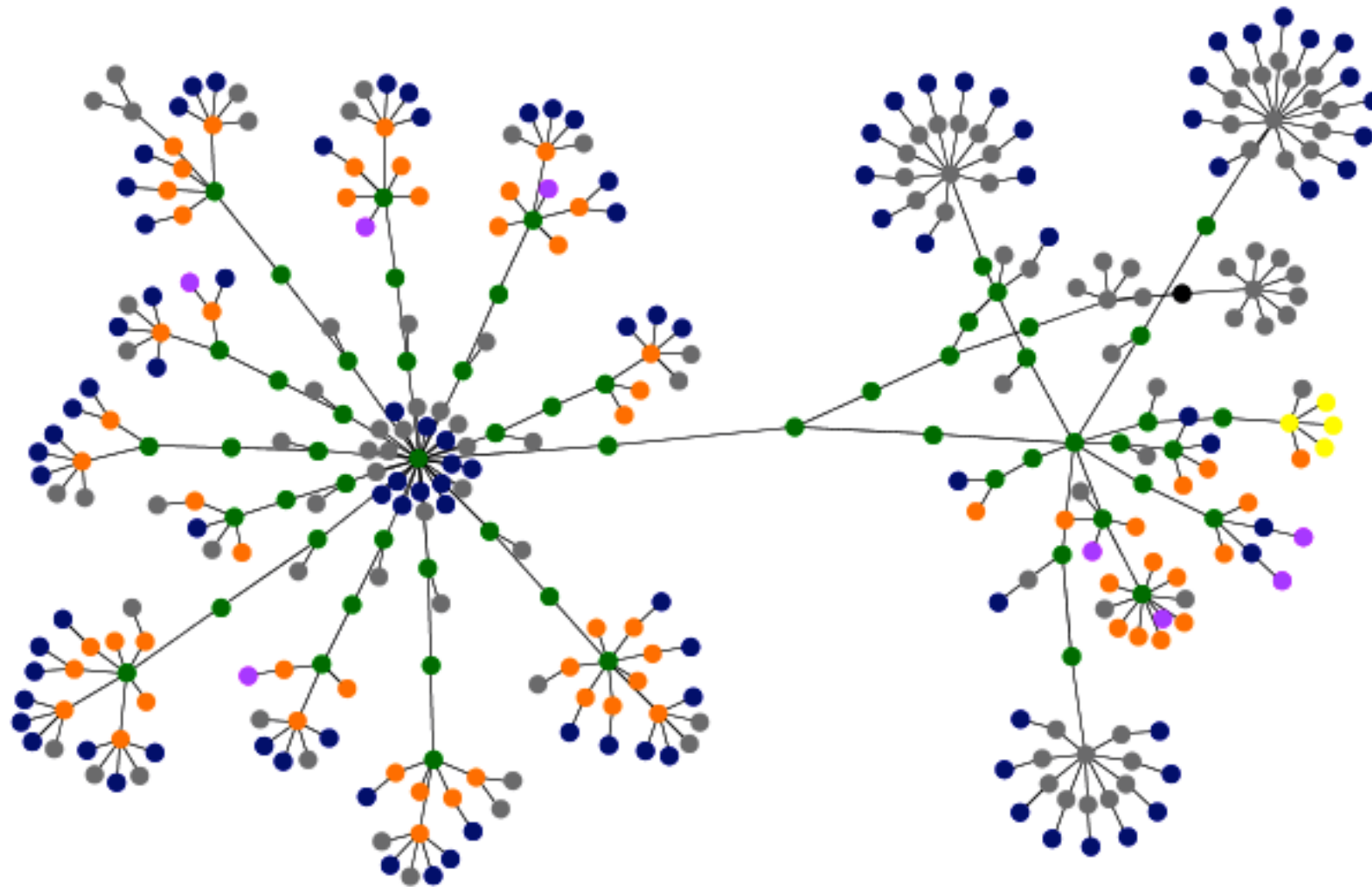
Focus

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- **Game theory:** model behavior where decisions affect each other's behavior

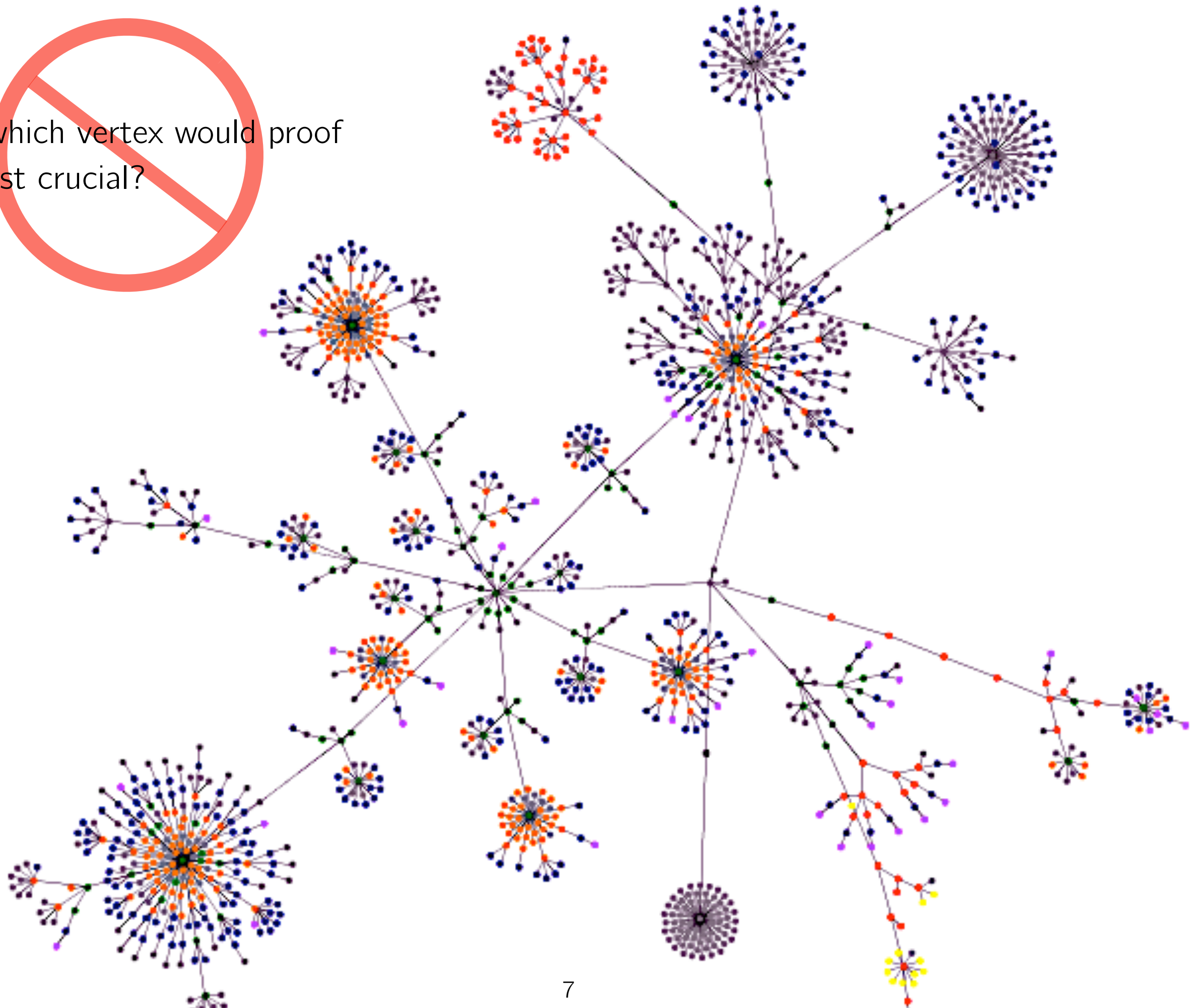
Related courses

- Behavioral Game Theory
- Information Networks

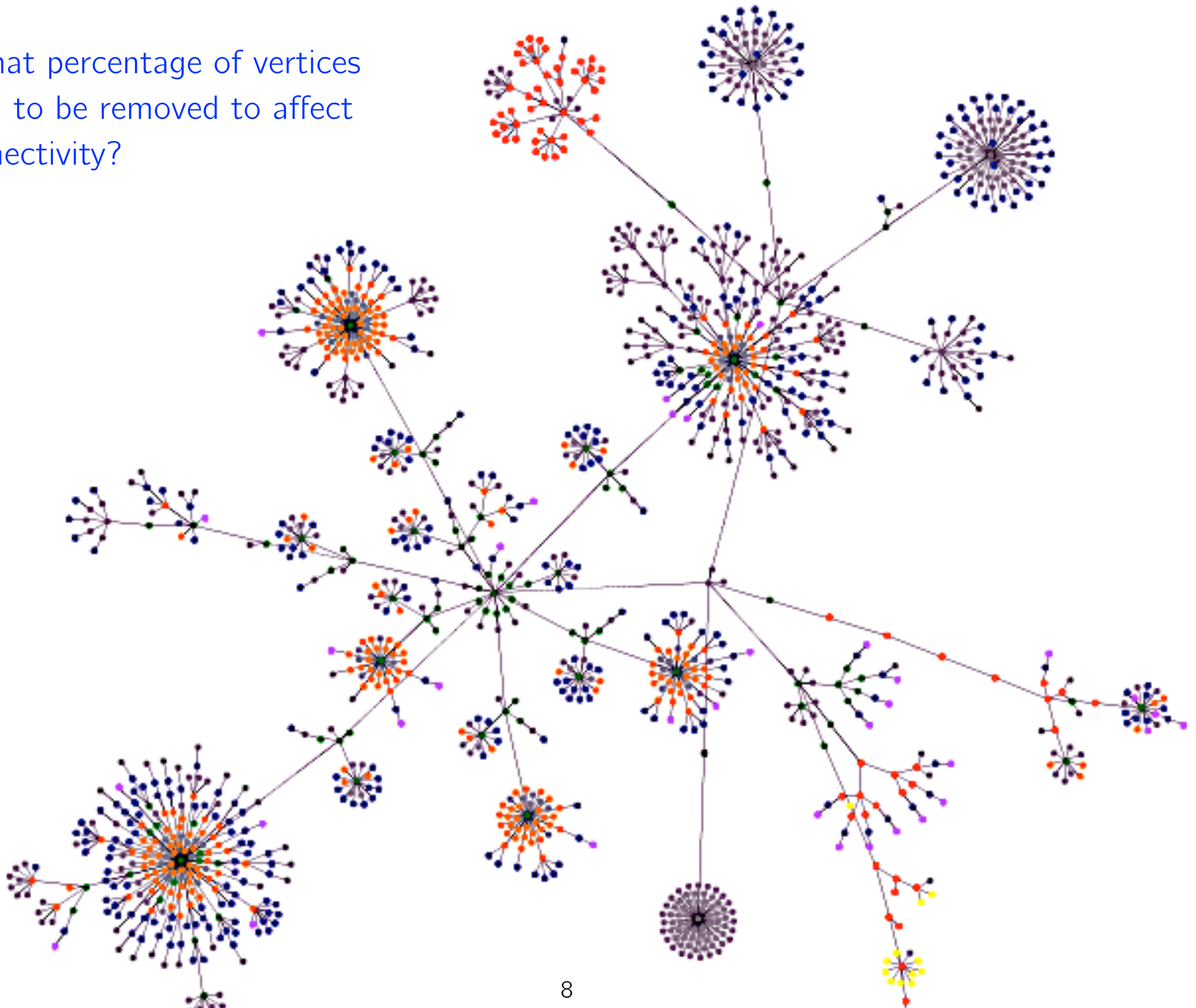
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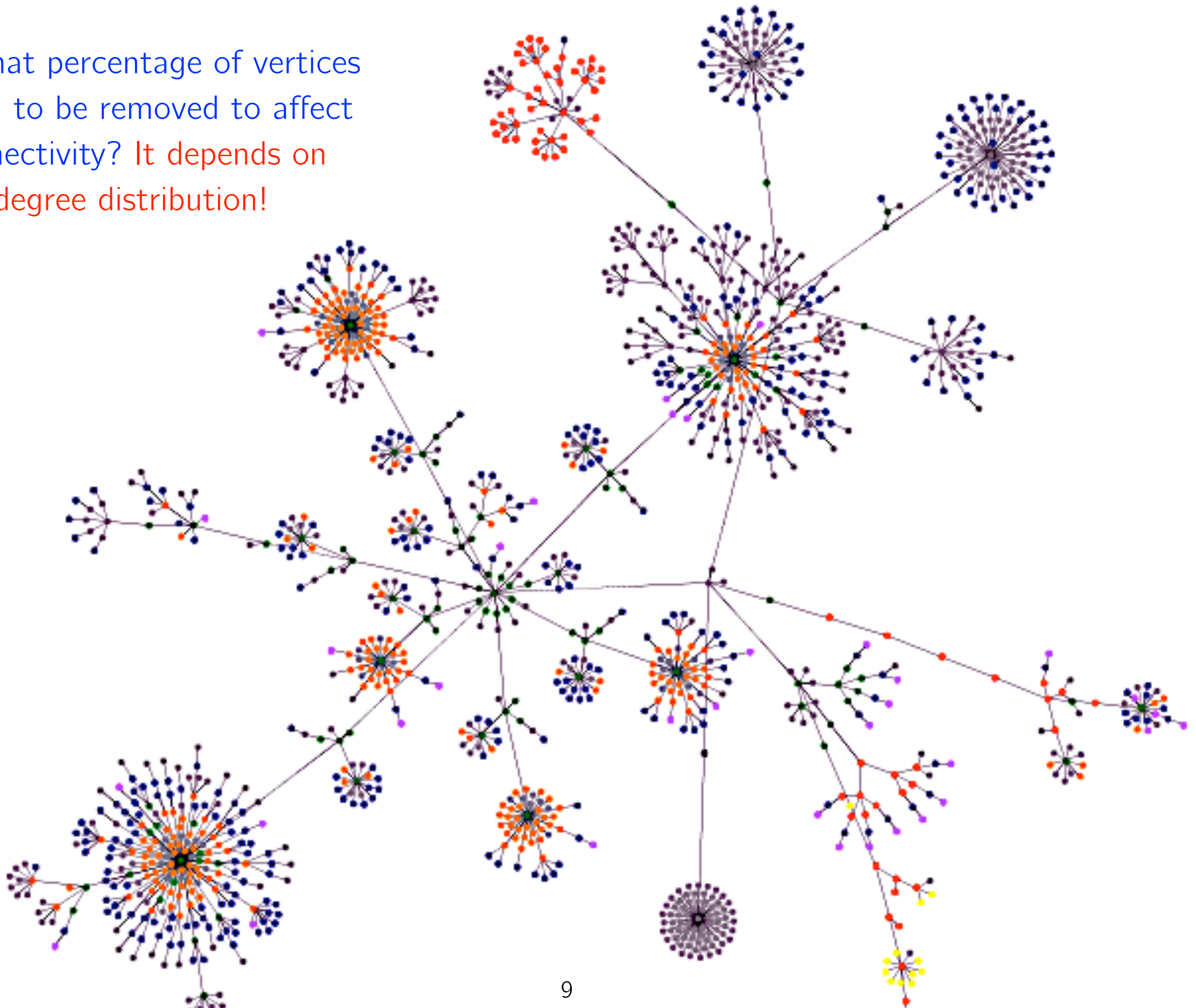
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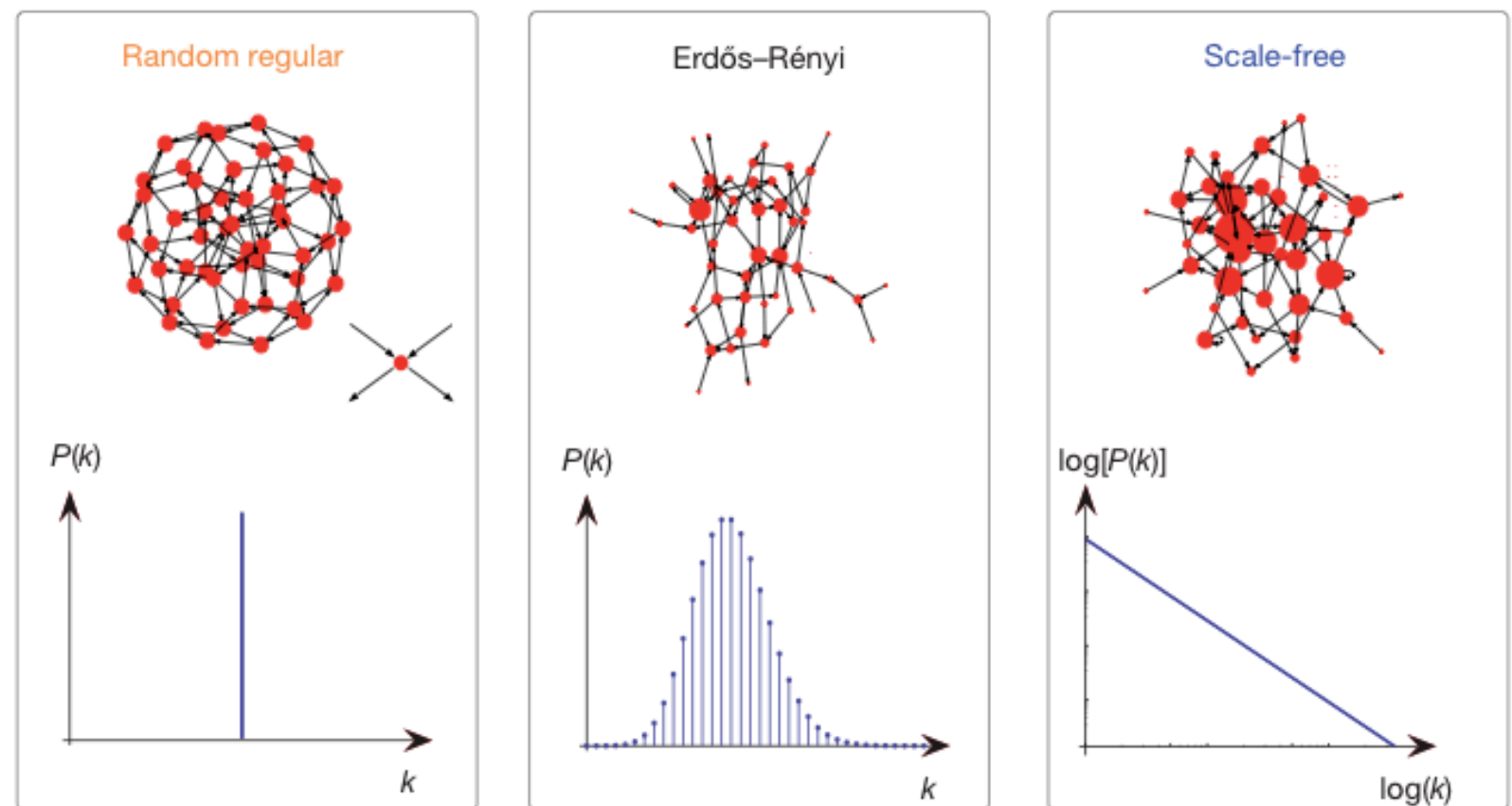
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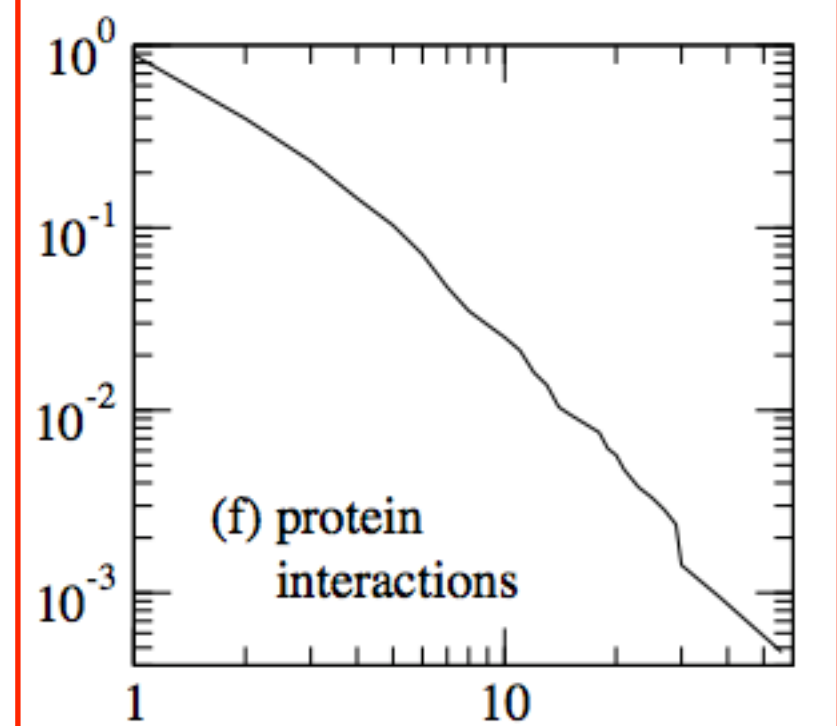
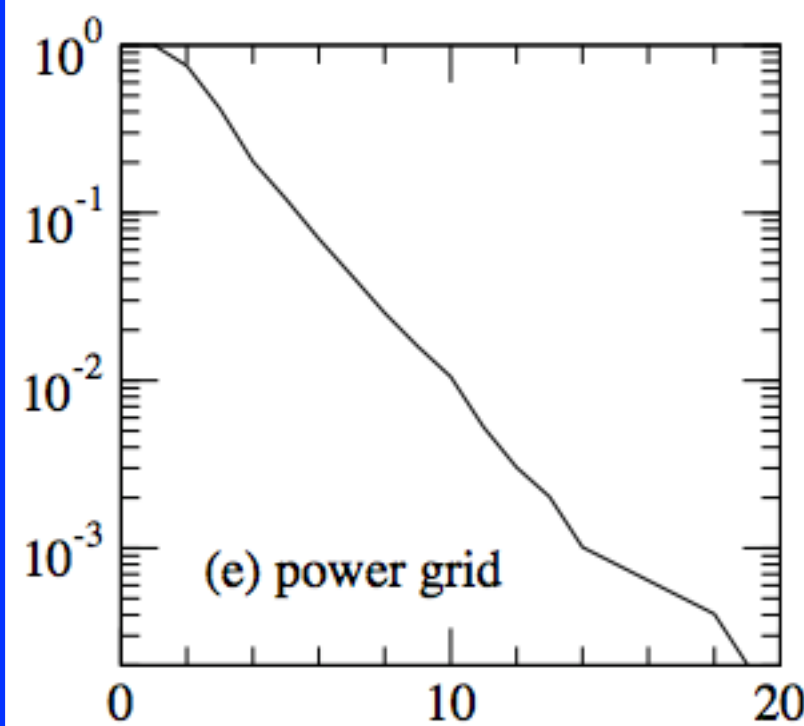
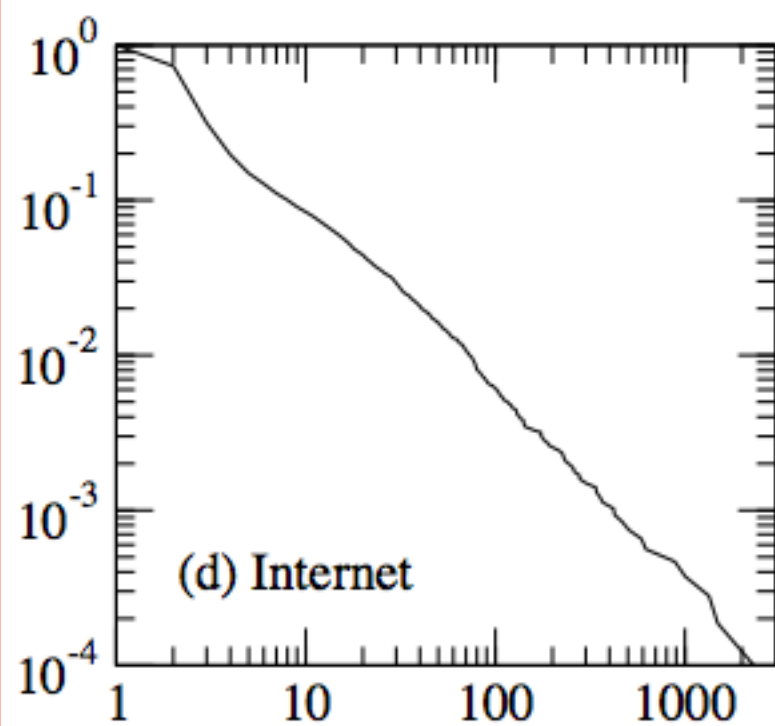
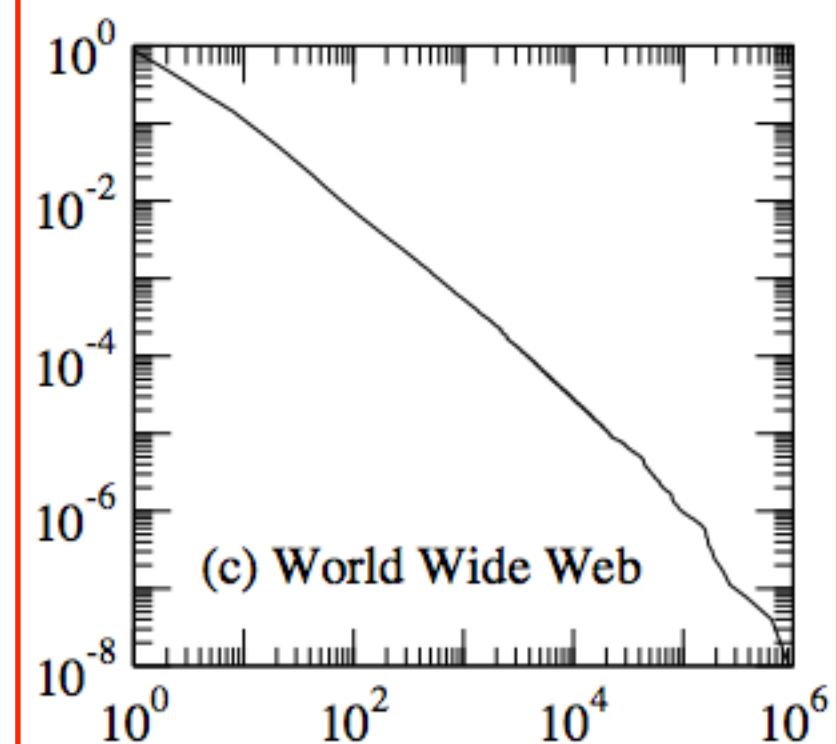
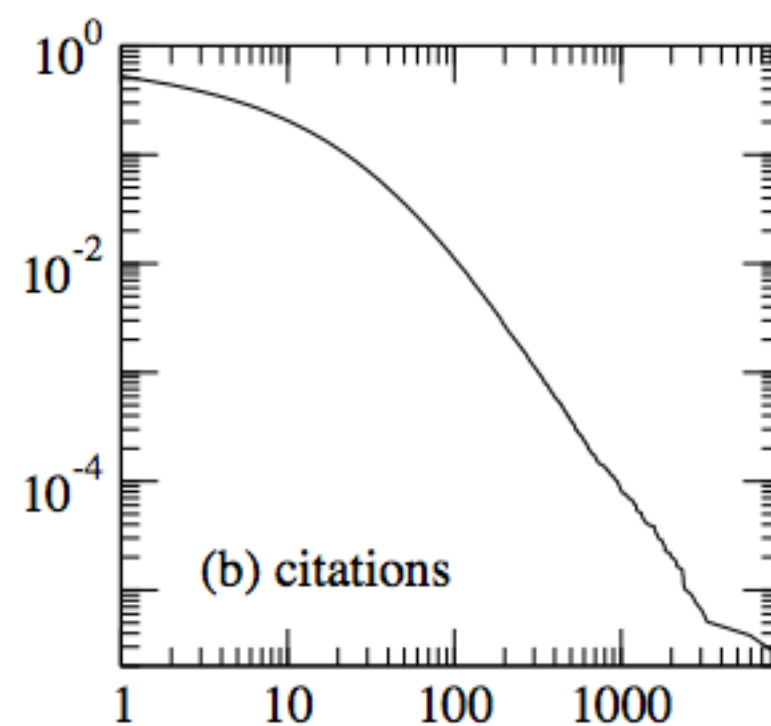
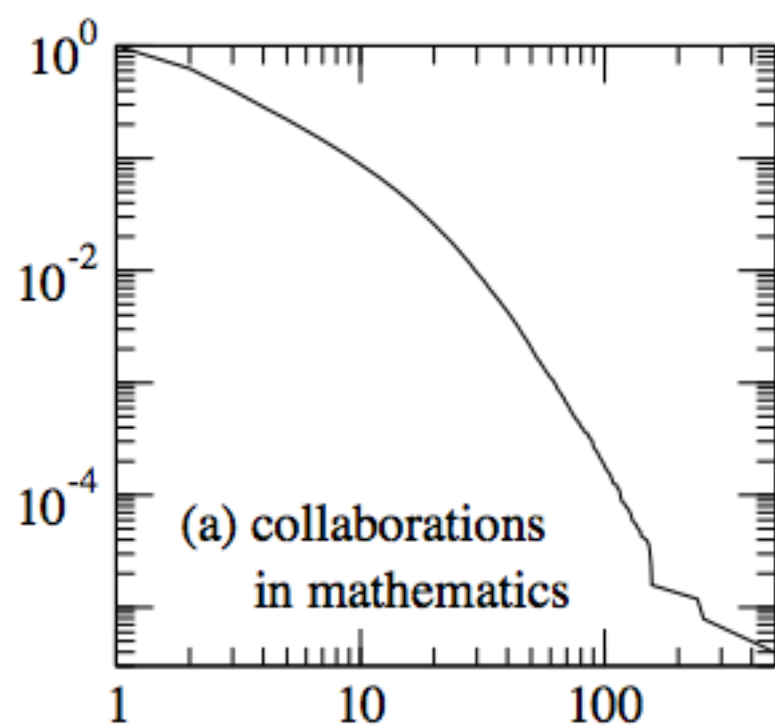
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Common Properties (degree distributions):

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2. random
3. heavy-tailed
 - power-law
 - exponential

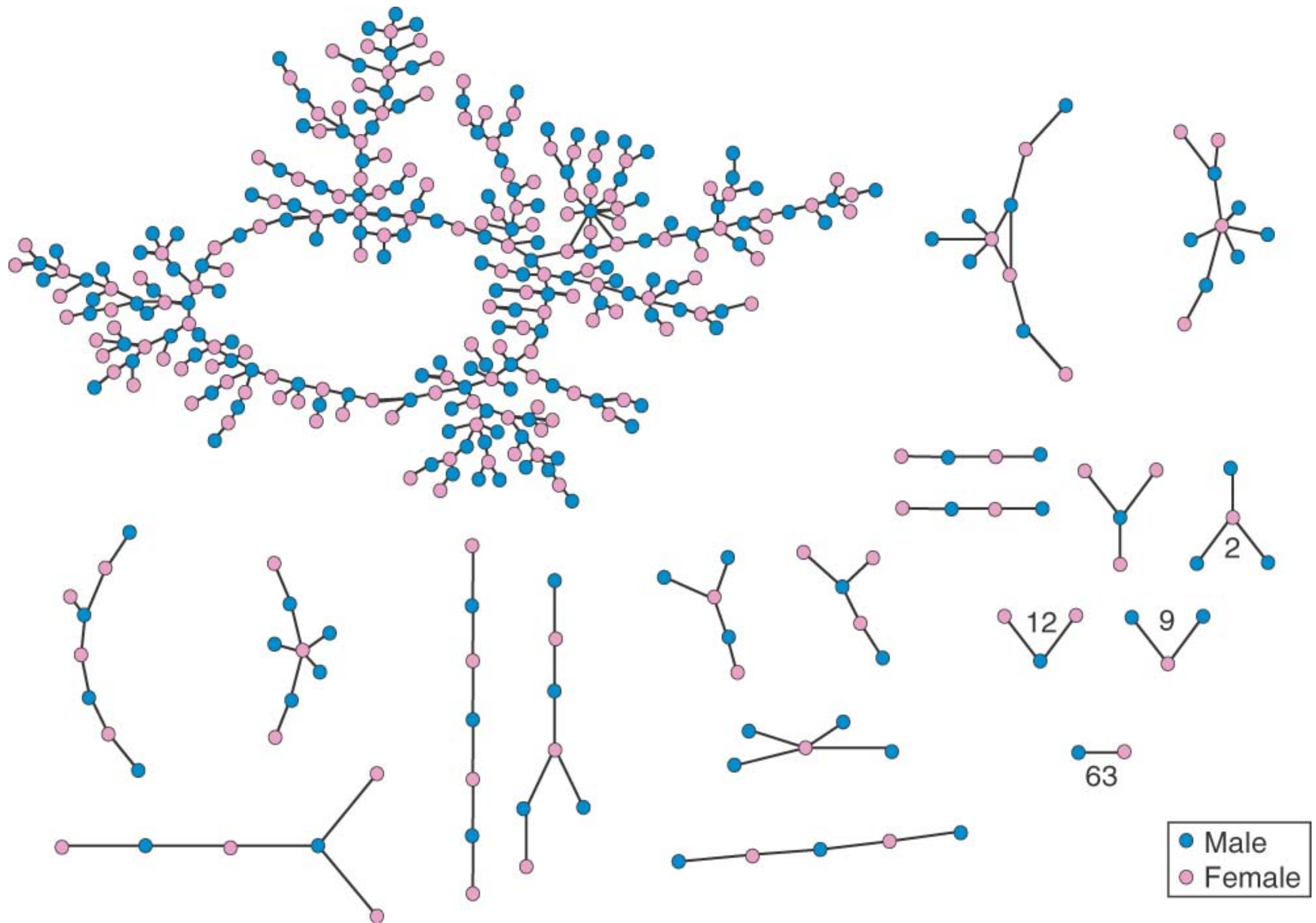


From Yang-Yu Lui et al., Controllability of complex networks



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Relationship structure at a high school



P. S. Bearman et al., "Chains of Affection: The Structure of Adolescent Romantic and Sexual Networks." *American Journal of Sociology* 110, 44-91 (2004)

Formation mechanism

- Different underlying mechanism
- Same outcome
- Growth + preferential attachment
- Growth + triad formation

Key questions (Homework 1)

- Can both models generate the scaling exponent associated to high school relationships?
- Can both models generate similar clustering coefficients?
- Are the average node-node distances similar?

Today

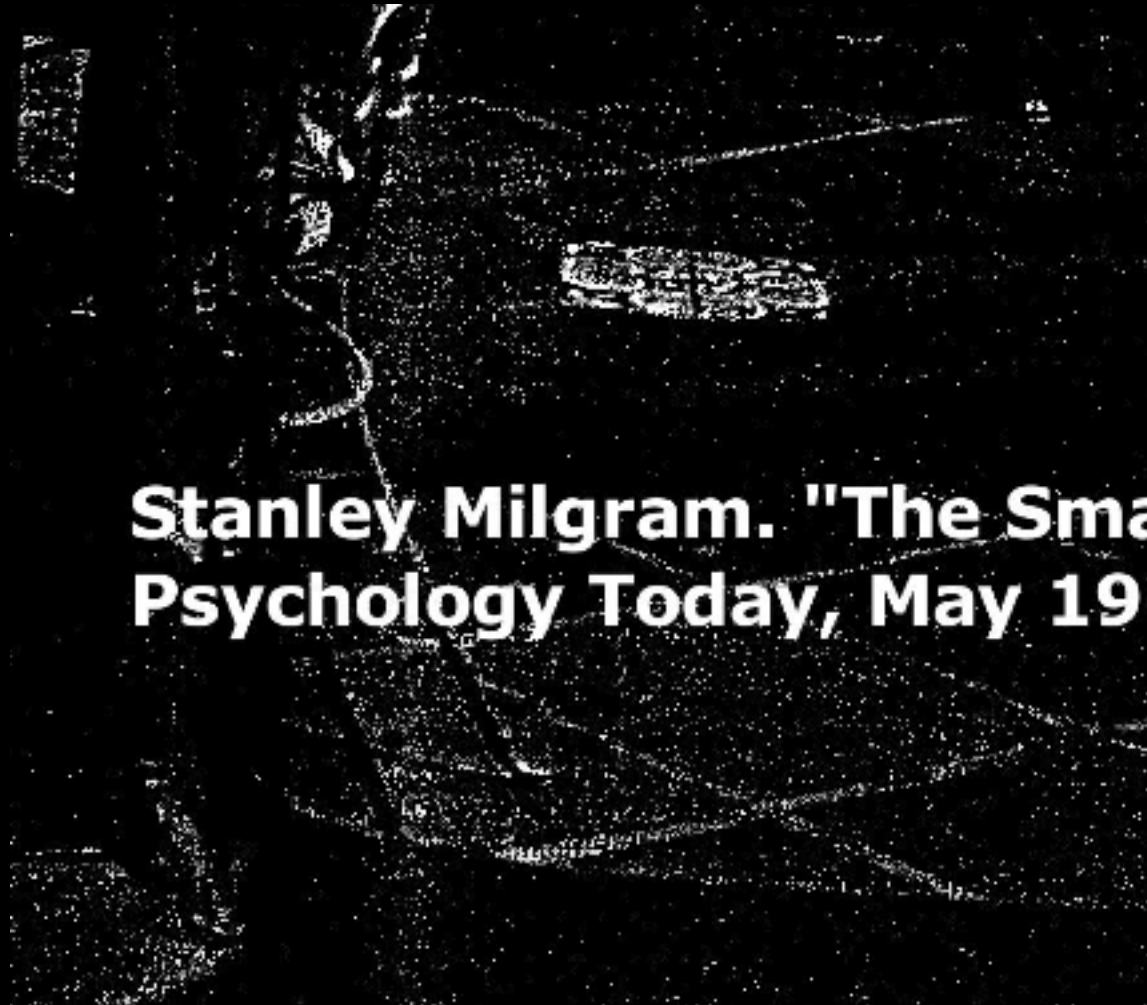
- Small-world effect
- Transitivity or clustering
- Strong and weak ties

Later...

- Homophily
- Mechanisms underlying homophily
- Community structure

Small-word





**Stanley Milgram. "The Small World Problem".
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The Small-World

By Stanley Milgram

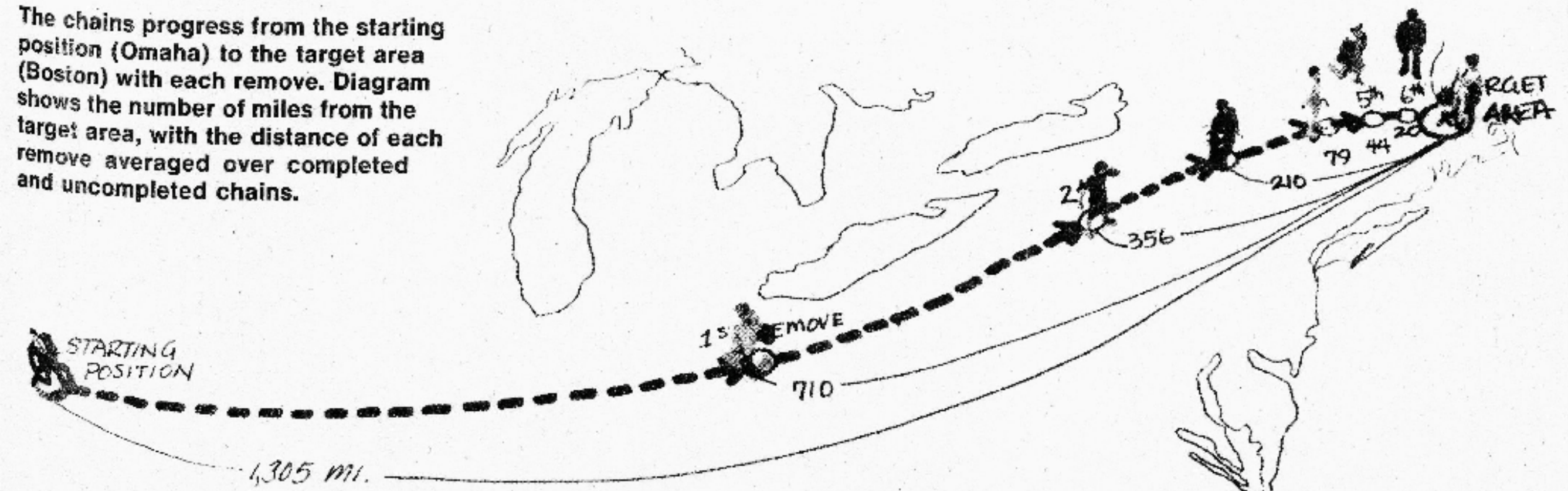
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We say, "My it's a small world."

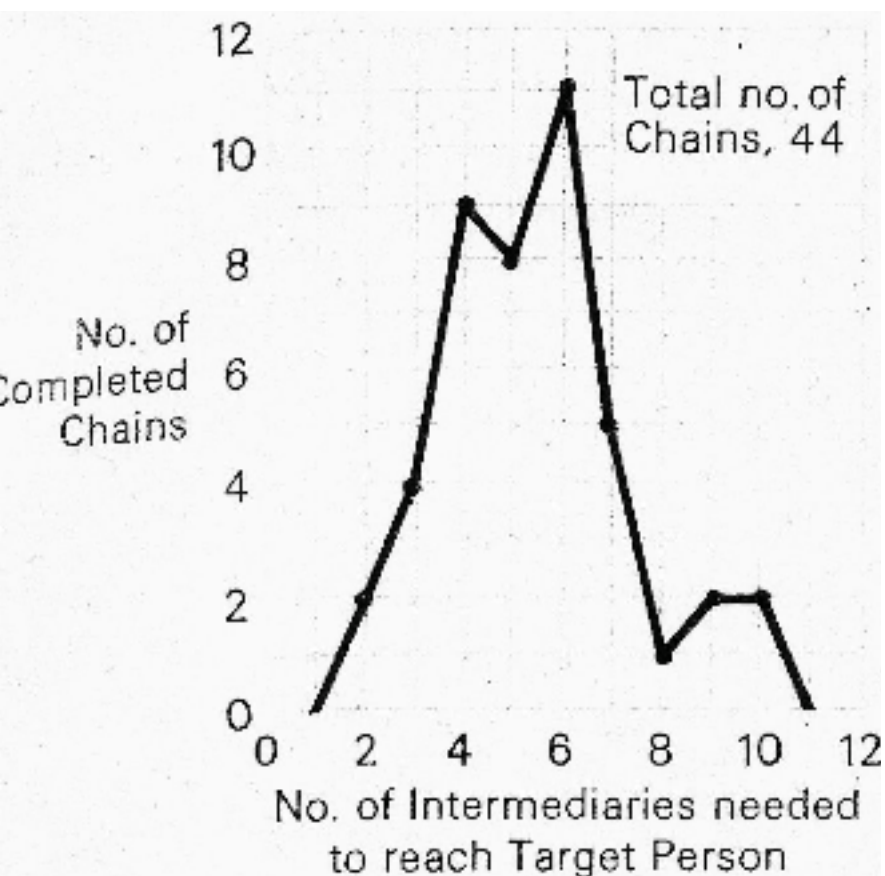
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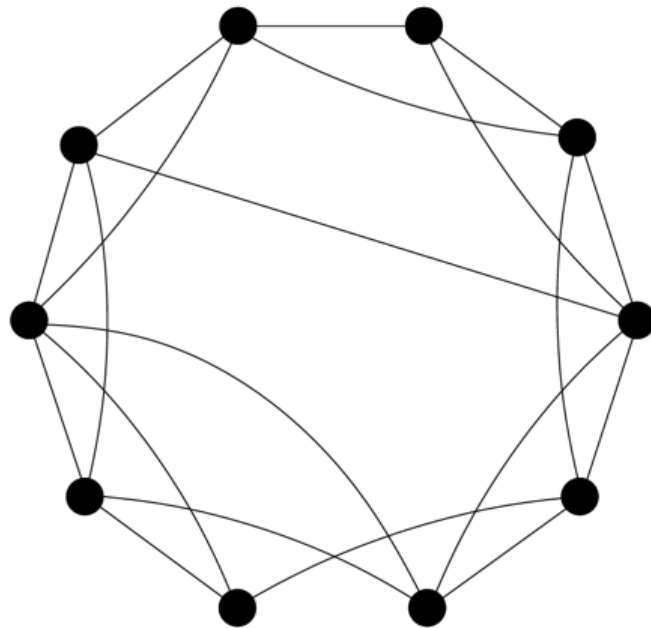
- The name of the **target person**
- Additional information (orient the participants towards specific individuals)
- If you do not know the target person on a first-hand bases, **do not try to contact him directly**
- **A roster** on which each person in the chain writes his name (prevent endless looping)

The chains progress from the starting position (Omaha) to the target area (Boston) with each remove. Diagram shows the number of miles from the target area, with the distance of each remove averaged over completed and uncompleted chains.



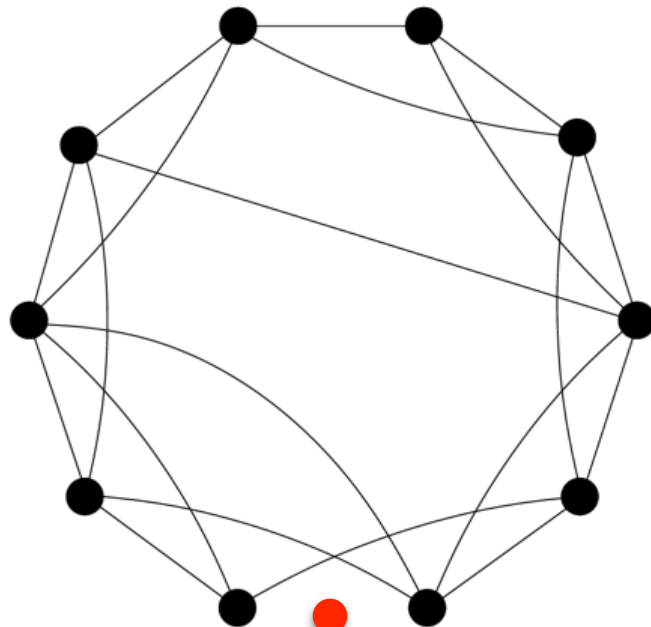
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total possible edges in an
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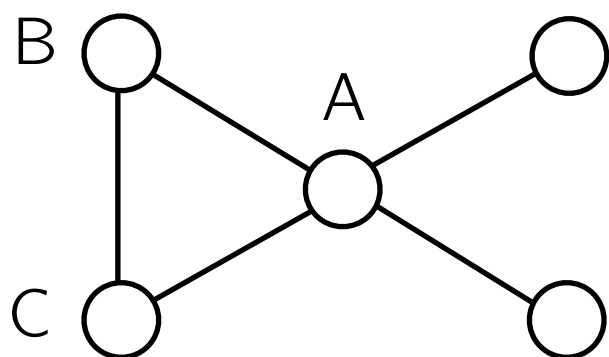
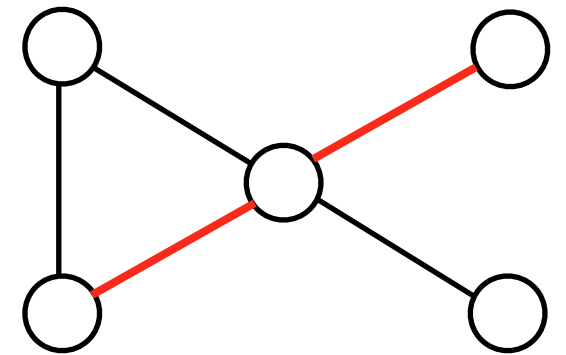
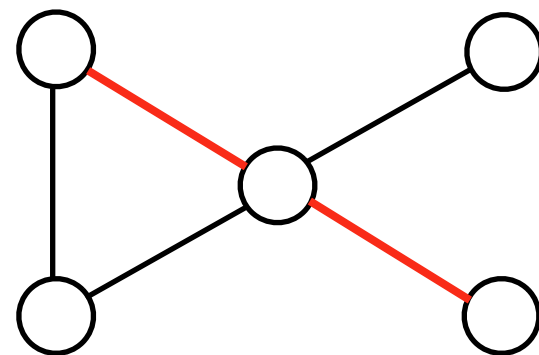
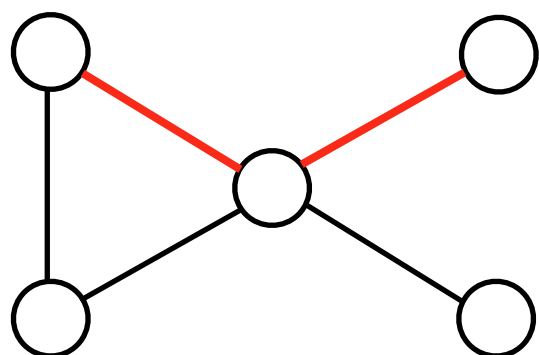
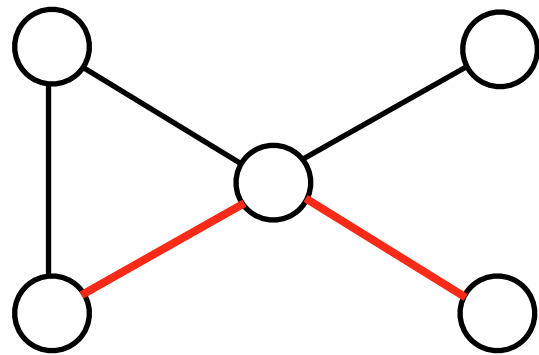
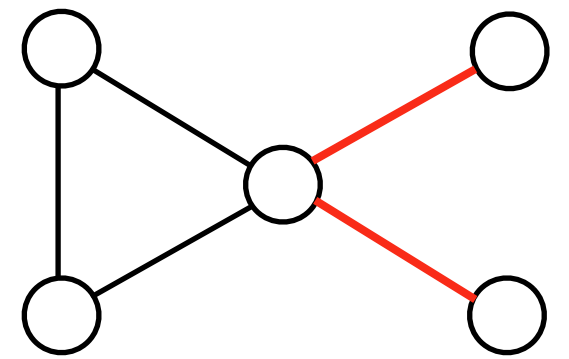
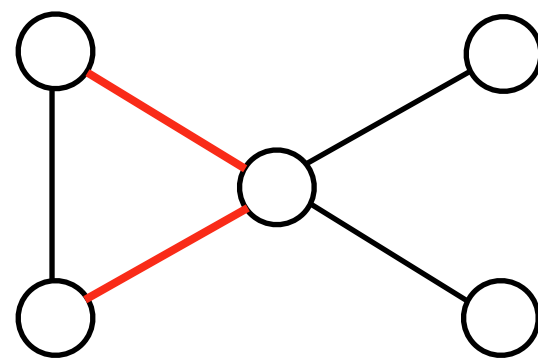
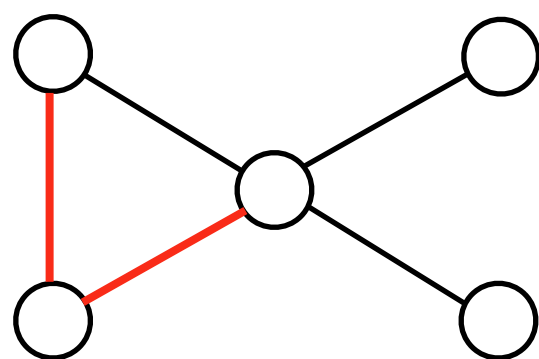
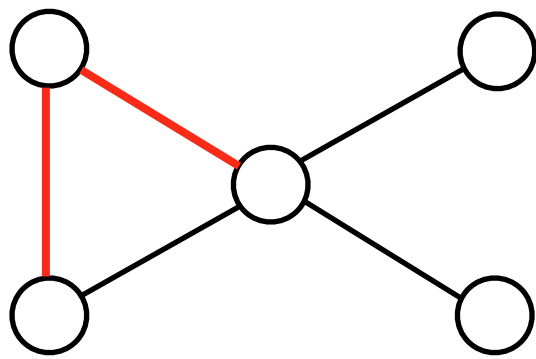


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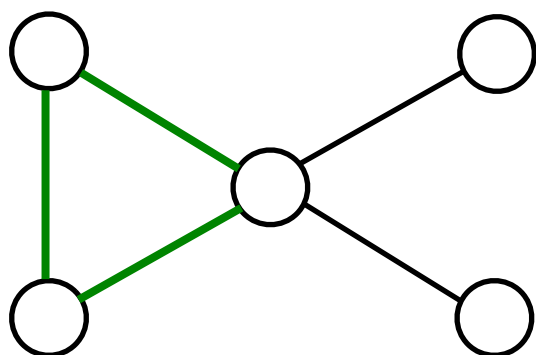
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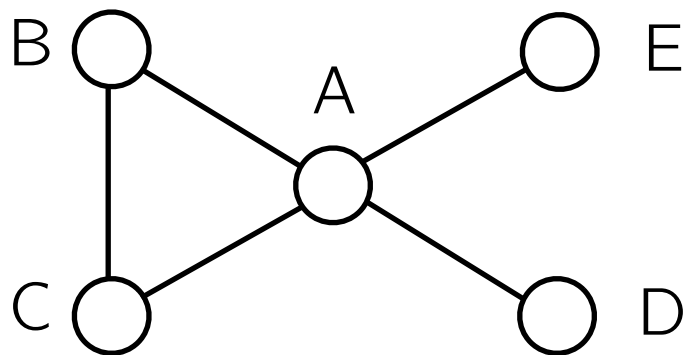


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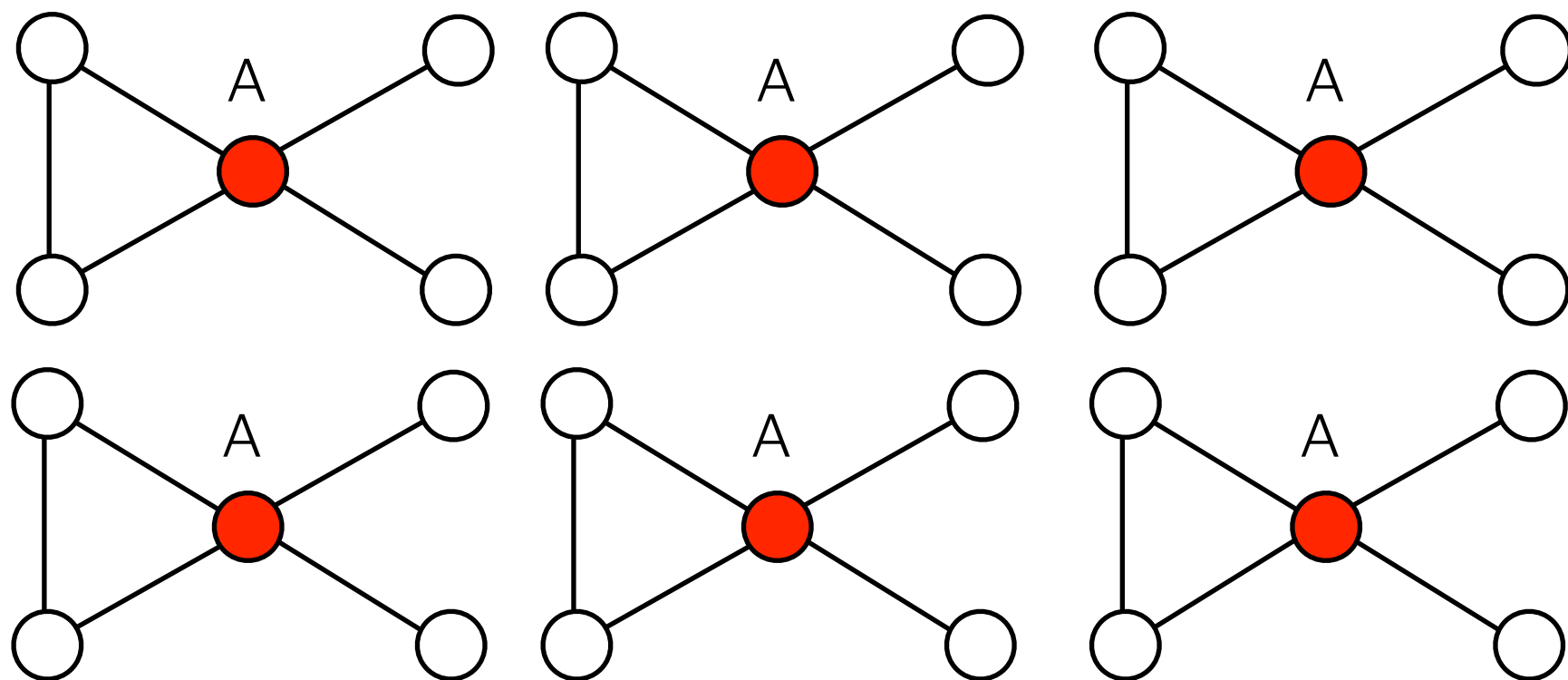
“fraction of transitive triples”



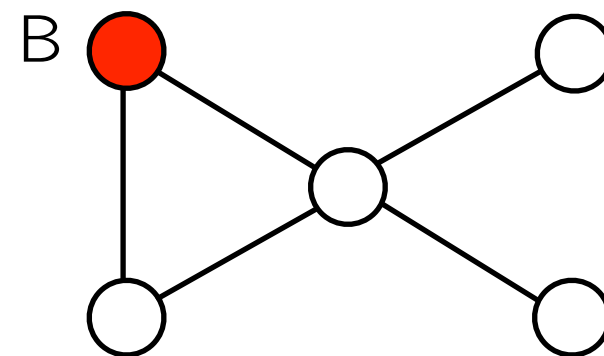


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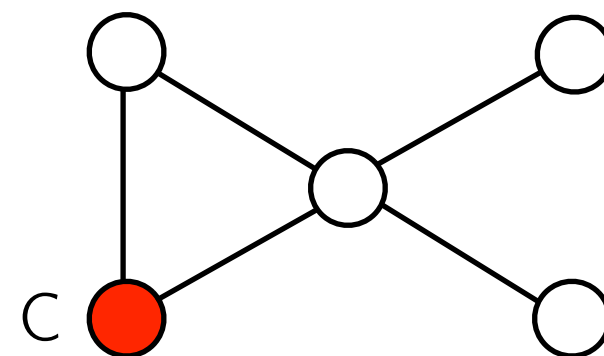
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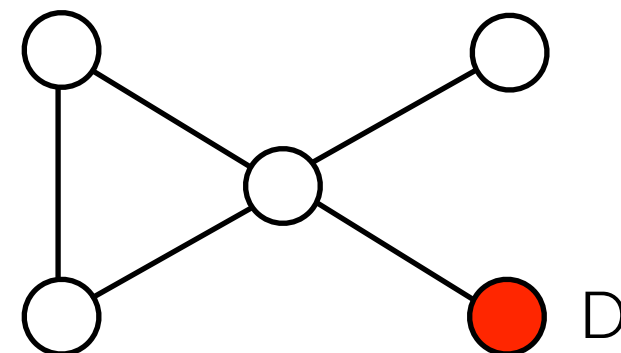
$$C_A = \frac{1}{6}$$



$$C_B = 1$$



$$C_C = 1$$



$$C_D = C_E = 0$$

Ratio of the means vs. mean of the ratios

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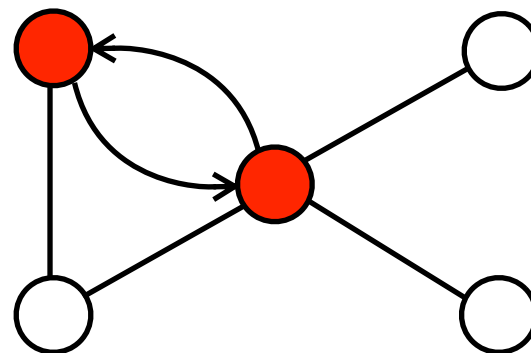
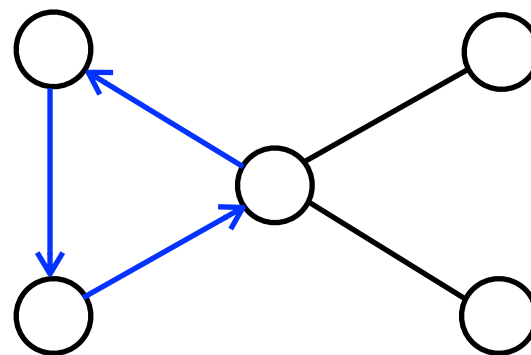
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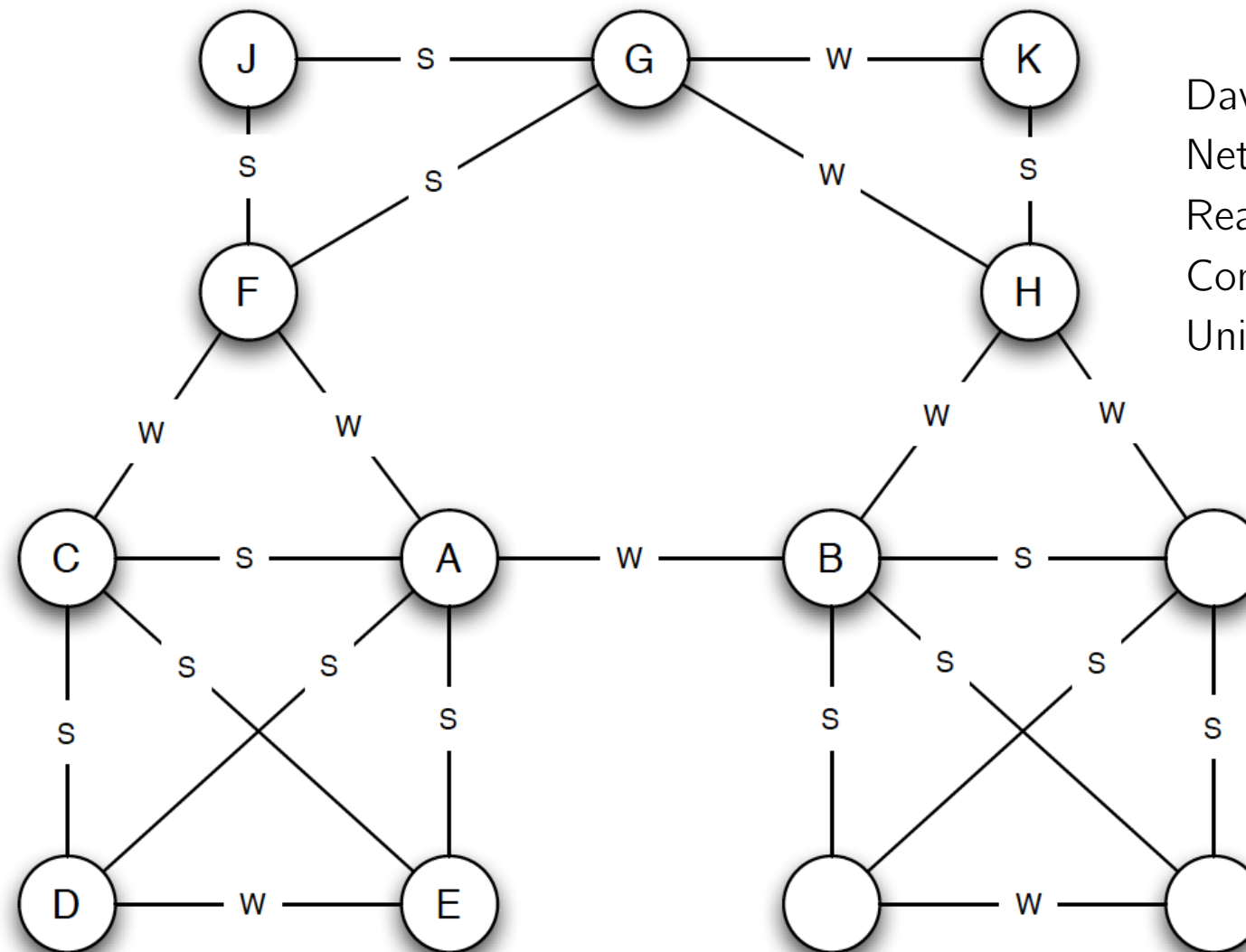
- Considerably higher than for random graphs
- Measures density of triangles
- Generalize to four and longer loops
- Important in directed graphs

feedback cycle of length 3

reciprocity



Weak and strong links



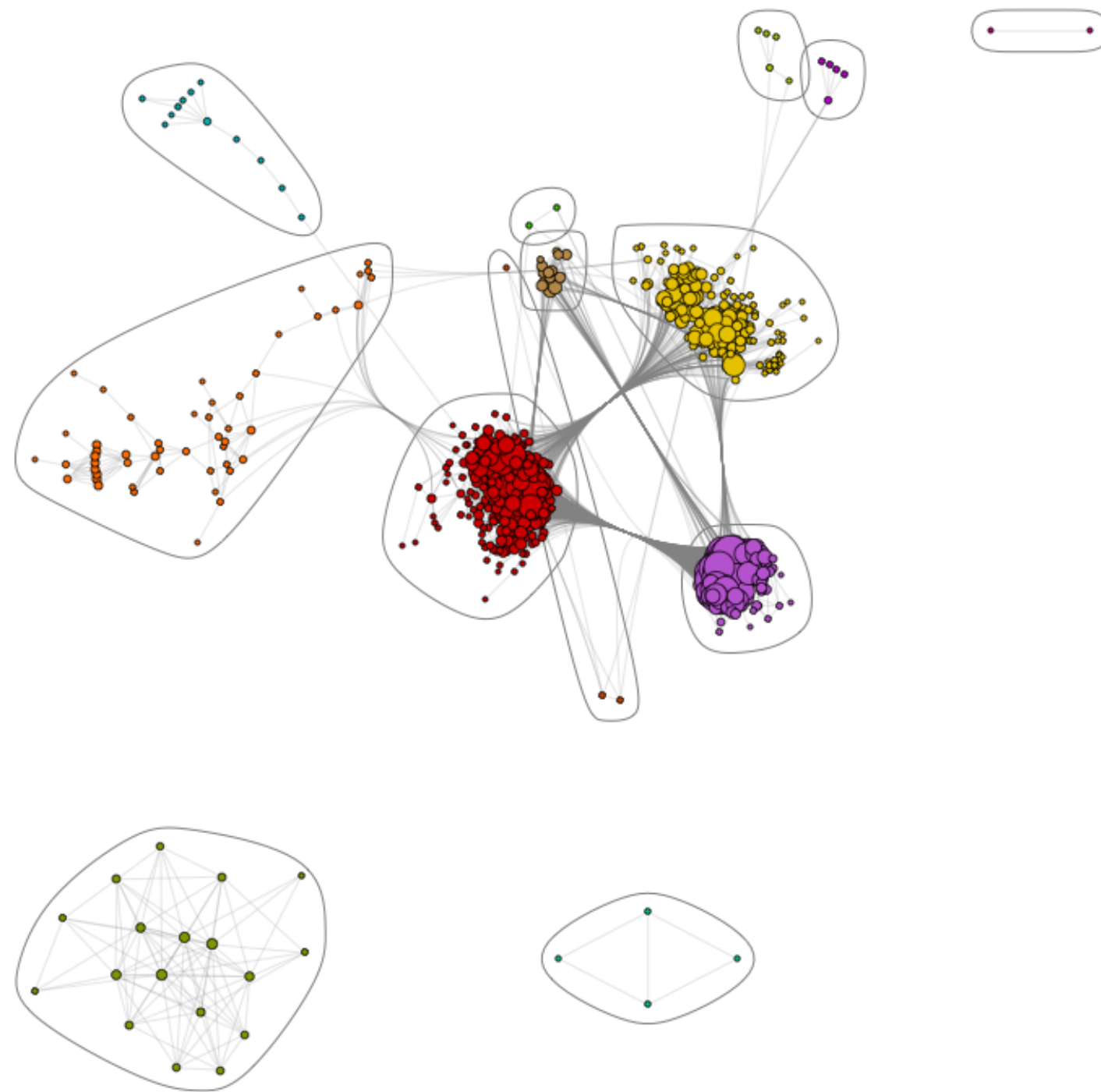
David Easley and Jon Kleinberg.
 Networks, Crowds, and Markets:
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Strong Triadic Closure

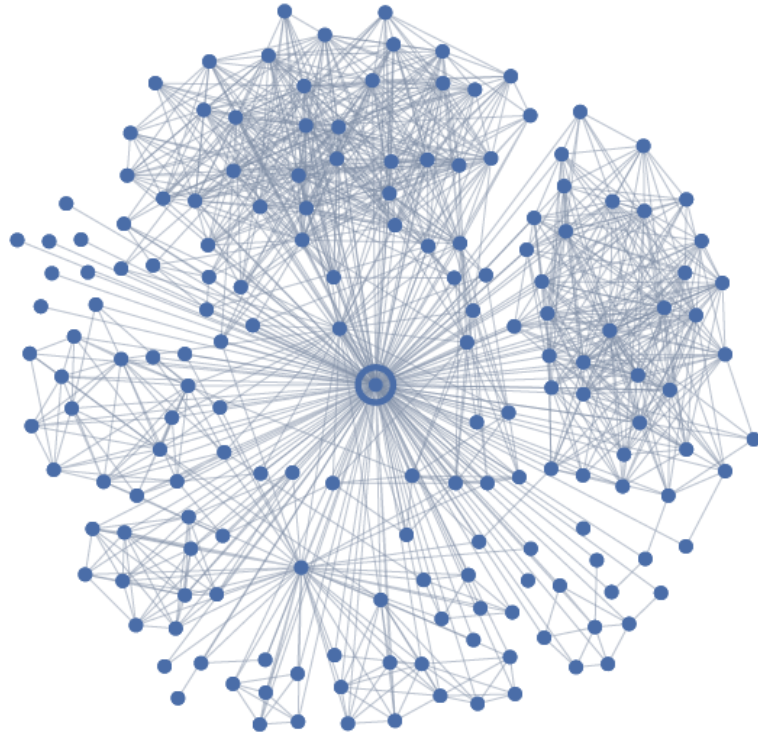
We say that a node A violates the Strong Triadic Closure Property if it has strong ties to two other nodes B and C , and there is no edge at all (either a strong or weak tie) between B and C . We say that a node A satisfies the Strong Triadic Closure Property if it does not violate it.

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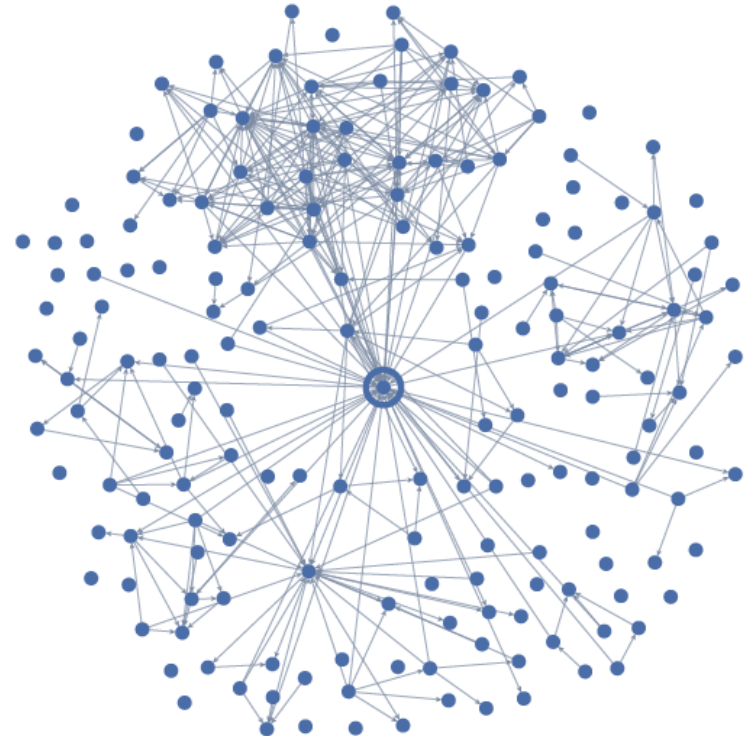
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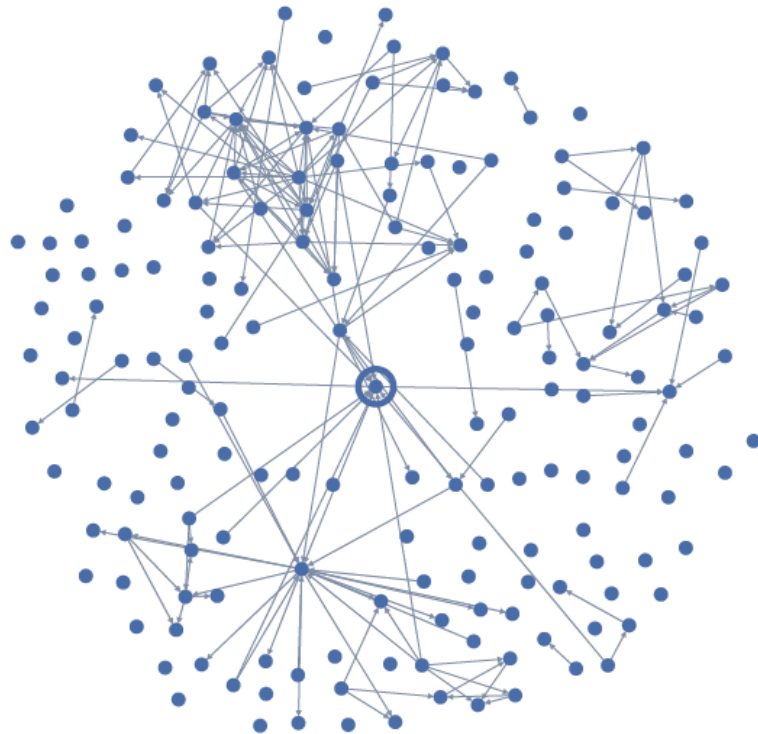
All Friends



Maintained Relationships



One-way Communication



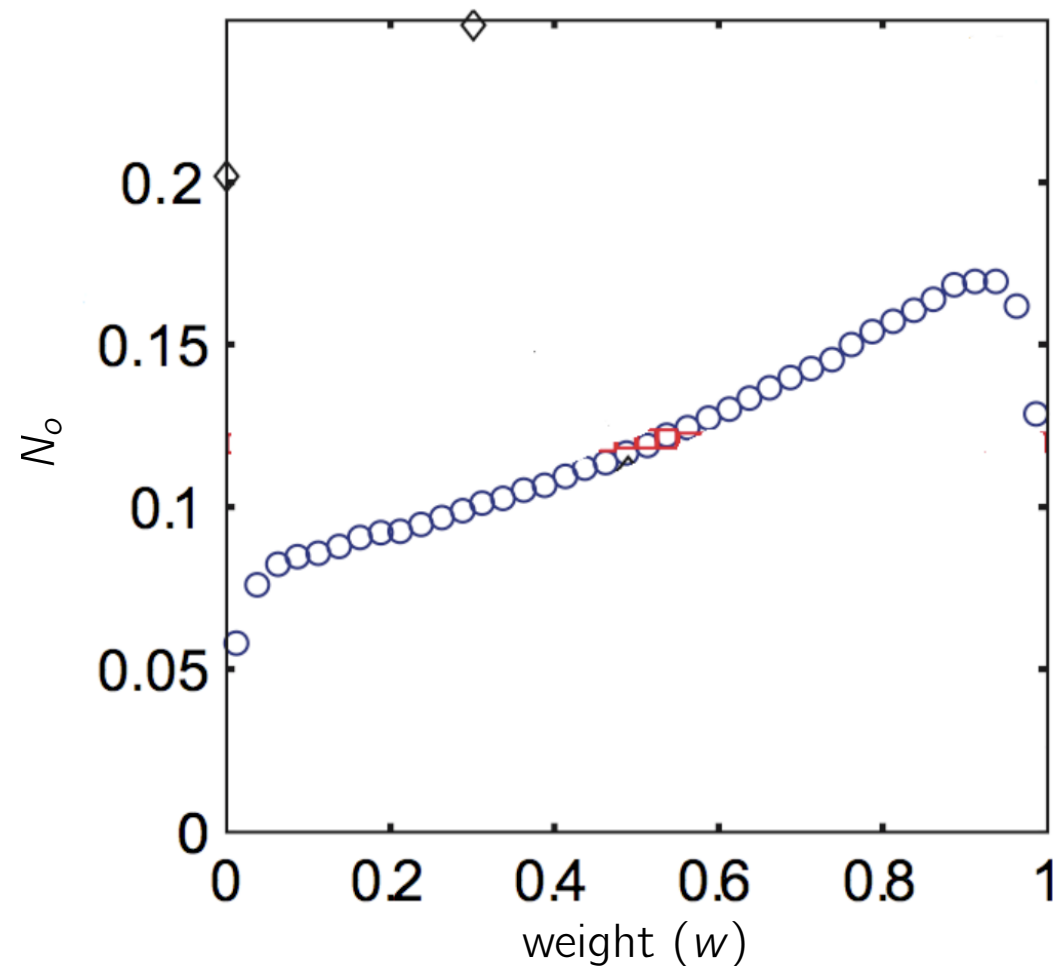
Mutual Communication



Cameron Marlow, Lee Byron, Tom Lento, and Itamar Rosenn. Maintained relationships on Facebook, 2009.
On-line at <http://overstated.net/2009/03/09/maintainedrelationships-on-facebook>.

Neighborhood overlap

$$N_o = \frac{\text{number of nodes that are neighbors of both A and B}}{\text{number of nodes that are neighbors of at least A or B}}$$



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J.-P. Onnela, et al. Structure and tie strengths in mobile communication networks. Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA, 104:7332-7336, 2007.

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