

# Dynamical models

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## Preferential attachment

Barabasi and Albert, 1999

Dynamical (growth) model

- ▶  $t = 0$ ,  $n_0$  unconnected nodes
- ▶ growth: on every step add a node with  $m$  edges ( $m \leq n_0$ )
- ▶ Preferential attachment: probability of linking to existing node is proportional to the node degree  $k_i$

$$\Pi(k_i) = \frac{k_i}{\sum_j k_j}$$

after  $t$  steps:  $N = n_0 + t$  nodes,  $M = mt$  edges

nodes appear one at a time, node " $i$ " at  $t_i$ , then  $k_i(t_i) = ?$

## Preferential attachment

mean field approximation, distribution of average (expected) node degrees, continuous approximation

$$k_i(t + \delta t) = k_i(t) + m\Pi(k_i)\delta t$$

$$\frac{dk_i(t)}{dt} = m\Pi(k_i) = m\frac{k_i}{\sum_i k_i} = \frac{mk_i}{2mt}$$

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initial conditions:  $k_i(t_i) = m$

## Preferential attachment

Time evolution of a node degree

$$k_i(t) = m \left( \frac{t}{t_i} \right)^{1/2}$$

Distribution function:

$$P(k) = P(k_i(t) = k) = \frac{d}{dk} P(k_i(t) < k)$$

CDF

$$\begin{aligned} P(k_i(t) < k) &= P(t_i \geq \frac{m^2}{k^2} t) = \\ &= \frac{N_{t_i > \dots}}{N_t} = \frac{n_0 + t - m^2 t / k^2}{n_0 + t} \approx 1 - \frac{m^2}{k^2} \end{aligned}$$

# Preferential attachment

- ▶ "power law" distribution function

$$P(k) = \frac{2m^2}{k^3}$$

- ▶ Average path length

$$\langle l \rangle \sim \log(N) / \log(\log(N))$$

- ▶ Clustering coefficient

$$C \sim N^{-0.75}$$

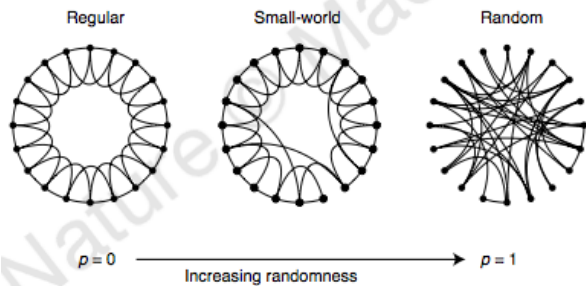
# Small world

Watts and Strogatz, 1998

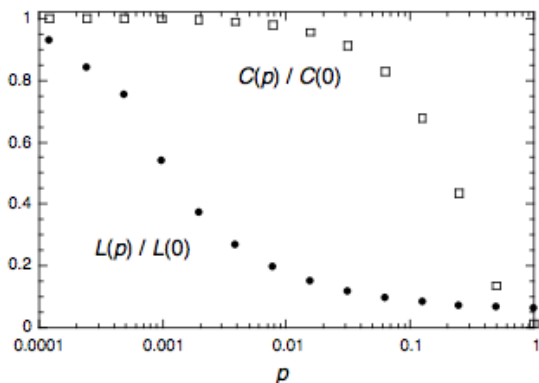
One parameter model, interpolation between regular lattice and random graph

- ▶ start with regular lattice with  $N$  nodes,  $K$  nearest neighbours (node degree)
- ▶ randomly connect with other nodes with probability  $p$ , forms  $pNK/2$  "long distance" connections
- ▶  $p = 0$  regular lattice,  $p = 1$  random graph

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$p \rightarrow 0$ , ring lattice,  $\langle l(0) \rangle = 2N/K$ ,  $C(0) = 3/4$

$p \rightarrow 1$ , random graph,  $\langle l(1) \rangle \sim \log(N)/\log(K)$ ,  $C(1) \sim K/N$



# Small world

