

# On the intersection of random graphs with an application to random key pre-distribution<sup>ab</sup>

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**The big picture**

## Intersecting graphs

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Assume given two graphs with vertex set  $V$ , say

$$G_1 \equiv (V, E_1) \quad \text{and} \quad G_2 \equiv (V, E_2)$$

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The **intersection** of the two graphs  $G_1 \equiv (V, E_1)$  and  $G_2 \equiv (V, E_2)$  is the graph  $(V, E)$  with

$$E := E_1 \cap E_2$$

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We write

$$G_1 \cap G_2 := (V, E_1 \cap E_2)$$

## Capturing multiples constraints

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Adjacency expresses constraints/relationships which can be **physical, logical, sociological**, etc.

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E.g., for two constraints:

- Communication constraint and link quality (e.g., fading)
- Communication constraint and secure link (e.g., via shared key)
- Membership in two different social networks

## Random graphs

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For vertex set  $V$ , let  $\mathcal{E}(V)$  denote the collection of all sets of (undirected) edges on  $V$ . A **random graph** with vertex set  $V$  is simply an  $\mathcal{E}(V)$ -valued rv defined on some probability triple  $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mathbb{P})$ , say  $\mathbb{E} : \Omega \rightarrow \mathcal{E}(V)$ .

We write

$$\mathbb{G} \equiv (V, \mathbb{E})$$

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**Erdős-Rényi graphs**, generalized random graphs, geometric random graphs, random key graphs, small worlds, random threshold graphs, multiplicative attribute graphs, growth models (e.g., preferential attachment models, fitness-based models)

## Constructing (undirected) random graphs

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Convenient to write

$$V \equiv \{1, \dots, n\}.$$

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**Random** link assignments encoded through  $\{0, 1\}$ -valued rvs

$$\{L_{ij}, 1 \leq i < j \leq n\}$$

with

$$L_{ij} = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } (i, j) \text{ up} \\ 0 & \text{if } (i, j) \text{ down} \end{cases}$$

Distinct nodes  $i, j = 1, \dots, n$  are **adjacent** if  $L_{ij} = 1$ , and an **undirected** link is assigned between nodes  $i$  and  $j$ .

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Examples:

- Erdős-Renyi (Bernoulli) graphs
- Geometric random graphs – Disk models
- Random key graphs

## Intersecting random graphs

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Assume given two random graphs with **same** vertex set  $V$ , say

$$\mathbb{G}_1 \equiv (V, \mathbb{E}_1) \quad \text{and} \quad \mathbb{G}_2 \equiv (V, \mathbb{E}_2)$$

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The **intersection** of the two random graphs  $\mathbb{G}_1 \equiv (V, \mathbb{E}_1)$  and  $\mathbb{G}_2 \equiv (V, \mathbb{E}_2)$  is the random graph  $(V, \mathbb{E})$  where

$$\mathbb{E} := \mathbb{E}_1 \cap \mathbb{E}_2$$

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We write

$$\mathbb{G}_1 \cap \mathbb{G}_2 = (V, \mathbb{E}_1 \cap \mathbb{E}_2)$$

Equivalently,

$$L_{ij} = L_{1,ij} \cdot L_{2,ij}, \quad 1 \leq i < j \leq n$$

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Throughout the **component** random graphs  $\mathbb{G}_1$  and  $\mathbb{G}_2$  are assumed to be **independent**:

The collections  $\{L_{1,ij}, 1 \leq i < j \leq n\}$  and  $\{L_{2,ij}, 1 \leq i < j \leq n\}$  are independent.

## A basic objective

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**Inheritance** – Understand how the structural properties of the random graph  $\mathbb{G}_1 \cap \mathbb{G}_2$  are shaped by those of the **component** random graphs  $\mathbb{G}_1$  and  $\mathbb{G}_2$

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Focus on graph **connectivity** and on the **absence** of isolated nodes – Easier and hopefully asymptotically equivalent

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After all

$2^{\frac{n(n-1)}{2}}$  possible graphs on  $V$

and **typical** behavior explored **asymptotically** via

**Zero-one Laws**

## A basic source of difficulty

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$\mathbb{G}_1 \cap \mathbb{G}_2$  connected

implies

$\mathbb{G}_1$  and  $\mathbb{G}_2$  **both** connected

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But the converse is **false!**

	$E_1 : 1 \sim 2 \sim 3$
$V = \{1, 2, 3\} :$	$E_2 : 1 \sim 3 \sim 2$
	$E_1 \cap E_2 : 2 \sim 3$

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Similar comment when considering the absence of isolated nodes

**Examples of random graphs  
and their zero-one laws**

## Erdős-Renyi (ER) graphs $\mathbb{G}(n; p)$

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Random link assignment encoded through **i.i.d.**  $\{0, 1\}$ -valued rvs

$$\{L_{ij}, 1 \leq i < j \leq n\}$$

with

$$\mathbb{P}[L_{ij} = 1] = p$$

for some  $0 < p < 1$ .

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Also known as Bernoulli graphs

**Strong zero-one** law for graph connectivity in ER graphs  $\mathbb{G}(n; p)$   
( $0 < p < 1$ ) [**Erdős and Renyi**]: Whenever

$$p_n \sim c \frac{\log n}{n}$$

for some  $c > 0$ , we have

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \mathbb{P} [\mathbb{G}(n; p_n) \text{ is connected}] = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } 0 < c < 1 \\ 1 & \text{if } 1 < c \end{cases}$$

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Same zero-one law for absence of isolated nodes

**Critical** scaling for graph connectivity:

$$p_n^* := \frac{\log n}{n}, \quad n = 1, 2, \dots$$

We also have the **weak** zero-one law:

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \mathbb{P} [\mathbb{G}(n; p_n) \text{ is connected}] = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{p_n}{p_n^*} = 0 \\ 1 & \text{if } \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{p_n}{p_n^*} = \infty \end{cases}$$

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Simple consequence of strong zero-one law by the **monotonicity** of the mapping

$$p \rightarrow \mathbb{P} [\mathbb{G}(n; p) \text{ is connected}]$$

## Geometric random graphs $\mathbb{G}(n; \rho)$

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Population of  $n$  nodes located at  $\mathbf{X}_1, \dots, \mathbf{X}_n$  in a bounded convex region  $\mathbb{A} \subset \mathbb{R}^2$ .

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With  $\rho > 0$ , nodes  $i$  and  $j$  are adjacent if

$$\|\mathbf{X}_i - \mathbf{X}_j\| \leq \rho$$

so that

$$L_{ij} = \mathbf{1} [\|\mathbf{X}_i - \mathbf{X}_j\| \leq \rho]$$

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Usually, **i.i.d.** node locations  $\mathbf{X}_1, \dots, \mathbf{X}_n$  which are **uniformly** distributed on unit square or unit disk – Disk model

**Strong zero-one** law for graph connectivity in geometric random graphs  $\mathbb{G}(n; \rho)$  ( $\rho > 0$ ) [**Penrose, Gupta and Kumar**]: Whenever

$$\pi \rho_n^2 \sim c \frac{\log n}{n}$$

for some  $c > 0$ , we have

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \mathbb{P} [\mathbb{G}(n; \rho_n) \text{ is connected}] = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } 0 < c < 1 \\ 1 & \text{if } 1 < c \end{cases}$$

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Same zero-one law for absence of isolated nodes

**Critical** scaling for graph connectivity:

$$\pi (\rho_n^*)^2 = \frac{\log n}{n}, \quad n = 1, 2, \dots$$

## A random key pre-distribution scheme (Eschenauer and Gligor 2002)

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For integers  $P$  and  $K$  with  $1 \leq K < P$ , let  $\mathcal{P}_K$  denote the collection of all subsets of  $\{1, \dots, P\}$  with exactly  $K$  elements

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For each node  $i = 1, \dots, n$ , with  $\theta = (P, K)$ , let  $K_i(\theta)$  denote the **random** set of  $K$  **distinct** keys assigned to node  $i$

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Under the EG scheme, the rvs  $K_1(\theta), \dots, K_n(\theta)$  are assumed to be **i.i.d.** rvs, each of which is **uniformly** distributed over  $\mathcal{P}_K$  with

$$\mathbb{P}[K_i(\theta) = S] = \binom{P}{K}^{-1}, \quad S \in \mathcal{P}_K, \quad i = 1, \dots, n$$

## The random key graph $\mathbb{K}(n; \theta)$

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Distinct nodes  $i, j = 1, \dots, n$  are said to be adjacent if they share **at least one** key in their key rings, namely

$$K_i(\theta) \cap K_j(\theta) \neq \emptyset.$$

In other words,

$$L_{ij}(\theta) := \mathbf{1} [K_i(\theta) \cap K_j(\theta) \neq \emptyset]$$

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For distinct  $i, j = 1, \dots, n$ ,

$$q(\theta) = \mathbb{P} [K_i(\theta) \cap K_j(\theta) = \emptyset] = \frac{\binom{P-K}{K}}{\binom{P}{K}}.$$

**Strong zero-one** law for graph connectivity in random key graphs  $\mathbb{K}(n; \theta)$  ( $K < P$ ) [Di Pietro et al., Burbank and Gerke, Rybarczyk, YM]: Whenever

$$\frac{K_n^2}{P_n} \sim c \frac{\log n}{n}$$

for some  $c > 0$ , we have

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \mathbb{P} [\mathbb{K}(n; \theta_n) \text{ is connected}] = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } 0 < c < 1 \\ 1 & \text{if } 1 < c \end{cases}$$

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Same zero-one law for absence of isolated nodes

**Observation:** With  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} q(\theta_n) = 1$ ,

$$\frac{K_n^2}{P_n} \sim 1 - q(\theta_n)$$

## Observation

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All cases discussed so far are “**homogeneous**” with a well-defined **link probability**  $p(\mathbb{G})$ :

$$p(\mathbb{G}) = \text{Probability that two nodes are adjacent in } \mathbb{G}$$

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Zero-one laws for connectivity and absence of isolated nodes are determined by conditions on  $p(\mathbb{G})$ , or **proxy** thereof:

$$p(\mathbb{G}_n) \sim c \frac{\log n}{n}$$

for some  $c > 0$

ER graphs  $\mathbb{G}(n; p)$ :  $p$

Random geometric graphs  $\mathbb{G}(n; \rho)$ :  $\dots$  but  $\pi\rho^2$

Random key graphs  $\mathbb{K}(n; \theta)$ :  $1 - q(\theta)$  but  $\frac{K^2}{P}$

**Intersecting random graphs  
and their zero-one laws**

## Three examples

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Secure links via key sharing under partial visibility with an on-off communication model:

$$\mathbb{G}(n; p) \cap \mathbb{K}(n; \theta)$$

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Disk model with possibility of defective links due to fading:

$$\mathbb{G}(n; \rho) \cap \mathbb{G}(n; p)$$

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Disk model with possibility of secure links via key sharing:

$$\mathbb{G}(n; \rho) \cap \mathbb{K}(n; \theta)$$

**With**  $n \rightarrow \infty$ ,

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In all cases mentioned earlier, elements of a limiting theory are available for the **component** random graphs: Zero-one laws hold for graph **connectivity** and **absence** of isolated nodes when the parameters are properly scaled with  $n$

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**Inheritance** – For a given random intersection graph,

- Zero-one laws for graph **connectivity** and for the **absence** of isolated nodes?
- Critical thresholds?
- Width of phase transitions?

## A silly detour: Intersecting ER graphs

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With  $\mathbb{G}_1 \equiv \mathbb{G}(n, p_1)$  and  $\mathbb{G}_2 \equiv \mathbb{G}(n, p_2)$ , then

$$\mathbb{G}_1 \cap \mathbb{G}_2 =_{st} \mathbb{G}(n, p) \quad \text{with} \quad p := p_1 \cdot p_2$$

under the **independence** of the components.

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Whenever

$$p_n = p_{1,n} \cdot p_{2,n} \sim c \frac{\log n}{n}$$

for some  $c > 0$ , we have

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \mathbb{P} [\mathbb{G}(n; p_n) \text{ is connected}] = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } 0 < c < 1 \\ 1 & \text{if } 1 < c \end{cases}$$

Zero-law holds for  $\mathbb{G}(n, p_1) \cap \mathbb{G}(n, p_2)$  whenever

$$p_n = p_{1,n} \cdot p_{2,n} = \frac{1}{2} \frac{\log n}{n}, \quad n = 1, 2, \dots$$

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Yet one-law holds for  $\mathbb{G}(n, p_1)$  and  $\mathbb{G}(n, p_2)$  with

$$p_{1,n} = p_{2,n} = \sqrt{\frac{1}{2} \frac{\log n}{n}}, \quad n = 1, 2, \dots$$

since

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\sqrt{\frac{1}{2} \frac{\log n}{n}}}{\frac{\log n}{n}} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt{\frac{1}{2}} \cdot \sqrt{\frac{n}{\log n}} = \infty$$

Easy to understand what is going on here **because**

$$\mathbb{G}(n; p_1) \cap \mathbb{G}(n; p_2) =_{st} \mathbb{G}(n, p) \quad \text{with} \quad p := p_1 \cdot p_2$$

but this yields so little **insight!** Yet ...

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Intersecting ER graphs is trivial but what about other situations?

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**Natural question:** Might it still be the case that zero-one laws are determined by conditions on the link assignment probability

$$p(\mathbb{G}_1 \cap \mathbb{G}_2) = p(\mathbb{G}_1) \cdot p(\mathbb{G}_2) \quad [\mathbf{Independence}]$$

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Remember in “one dimension”!

**Intersecting  $\mathbb{G}(n; p)$  and  $\mathbb{K}(n; \theta)$**

This time,

$$\mathbb{G}(n; p) \cap \mathbb{K}(n; \theta) \neq_{st} \mathbb{G}(n; p') \quad \text{for some } p' = p'(p, \theta)$$


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$$\mathbb{G}(n; p) \cap \mathbb{K}(n; \theta) \neq_{st} \mathbb{K}(n; \theta') \quad \text{for some } \theta' = \theta'(p, \theta)$$


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But not all is lost!

$$p(\mathbb{G}(n; p)) = p$$

and

$$p(\mathbb{K}(n; \theta)) = (1 - q(\theta))$$

so that

$$p(\mathbb{G}(n; p) \cap \mathbb{K}(n; \theta)) = p \cdot (1 - q(\theta))$$

## Conjecture?

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**Strong zero-one** law for connectivity and absence of isolated nodes in  $\mathbb{G}(n; p) \cap \mathbb{K}(n; \theta)$ : Whenever

$$p_n (1 - q(\theta_n)) \sim c \frac{\log n}{n}$$

for some  $c > 0$ , we have

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \mathbb{P} [\mathbb{G}(n; p_n) \cap \mathbb{K}(n; \theta_n) \dots] = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } 0 < c < 1 \\ 1 & \text{if } 1 < c \end{cases}$$

## Indeed correct ...

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### Connectivity:

Yağan (2012) provided  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} p_n \log n$  exists and there exists  $\sigma > 0$  such that

$$\sigma n \leq P_n, \quad n = 1, 2, \dots$$

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### Absence of isolated nodes:

Makowski and Yağan (2013) without any additional condition!

Let  $I_n(p, \theta)$  denote the **number** of isolated nodes in the intersection graph  $\mathbb{G}(n; p) \cap \mathbb{K}(n; \theta)$ , so that

$$\mathbb{P} [\mathbb{G}(n; p) \cap \mathbb{K}(n; \theta) \text{ has no isolated node}] = \mathbb{P} [I_n(p, \theta) = 0]$$

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Method of **first** and **second moments** via the standard bounds

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$$1 - \mathbb{E} [I_n(p, \theta)] \leq \mathbb{P} [I_n(p, \theta) = 0]$$

and

$$\mathbb{P} [I_n(p, \theta) = 0] \leq 1 - \frac{(\mathbb{E} [I_n(p, \theta)])^2}{\mathbb{E} [I_n(p, \theta)^2]}$$

Need to figure out whether

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \mathbb{E} [I_n(p_n, \theta_n)] = 0$$

and

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{(\mathbb{E} [I_n(p_n, \theta_n)])^2}{\mathbb{E} [I_n(p_n, \theta_n)^2]} = 1$$

under the appropriate conditions

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Easy to see that

$$\mathbb{E} [I_n(p, \theta)] = n (1 - p(1 - q(\theta)))^{n-1}$$

so that

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \mathbb{E} [I_n(p_n, \theta_n)] &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} n \left( 1 - c_n \frac{\log n}{n} \right)^{n-1} \\ &= \begin{cases} \infty & \text{if } 0 < c < 1 - \mathbf{Beware} \\ 0 & \text{if } 1 < c \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

with  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} c_n = c$

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$$n \left( 1 - c_n \frac{\log n}{n} \right)^{n-1} = e^{\log n - (n-1)c_n \frac{\log n}{n}} + \dots$$

Expression available for

$$\frac{(\mathbb{E} [I_n(\theta)])^2}{\mathbb{E} [I_n(p, \theta)^2]}$$

but far more complicated!

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Zero-law for connectivity follows. One-law handled by arguments similar to the ones used by Yağan and Makowski (2012)

## Additional results

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$$\mathbb{G}(n, \rho) \cap \mathbb{G}(n, p)$$

Yi et al (2006), Prasanth Anthapadmanabhan and Makowski (2010), Penrose (2013)

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$$\mathbb{G}(n, \rho) \cap \mathbb{K}(n, \theta)$$

Yi et al (2006), Santhana Krishnan et al. (2013)