

Agent-Based Simulation in Complex Networks

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Session 3. Centrality



Searchability

Kleinberg proved that, besides these short paths exists, furthermore, people can locate this paths using only their local information.



Searchability

It begins with a regular, 2-d lattice and add q long-range edge at random with a probability proportional to the Manhattan distance

The network shows

- short path lengths
- searchability (distance)
- ... but a low clustering



Preferential attachment (Barabasi & Albert)

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high clustering, but dependent on the network size short path lengths power law degree distribution $p(k) \sim k-\alpha$, $2 < \alpha < 3$ Matthew effect (the richest get richer)



Centrality. Degree



The importance of a node in the network depends on its degree

$C_D(i) = d_i$

Centrality. Closeness



The most central node is the nearest one to any other node

 $C_C(i) = \frac{1}{\sum_{j \neq i} d(i,j)}$





Centrality. Betweenness

The importance of a node in the network depends on how many shortest paths pass through it (bridge)

$$C_B(i) = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \frac{\#shortestpaths_{st}(i)}{\#shortestpaths_{st}(i)}$$





Centrality. Eigenvalue

The importance of a node depends on the importance of its neighbors

$C_E(i) = \frac{1}{\lambda} \sum_{j \in N(i)} C_E(j)$



Centrality. Pagerank



An special case of eigenvalue centrality.

Used by Google to rank the importance of web pages.

$$PR(i) = \frac{1-d}{N} + d \sum_{j \in N(i)} \frac{PR(j)}{d_j}$$