

Counting loops and multi-edges in the superposition of a fixed graph and a random graph

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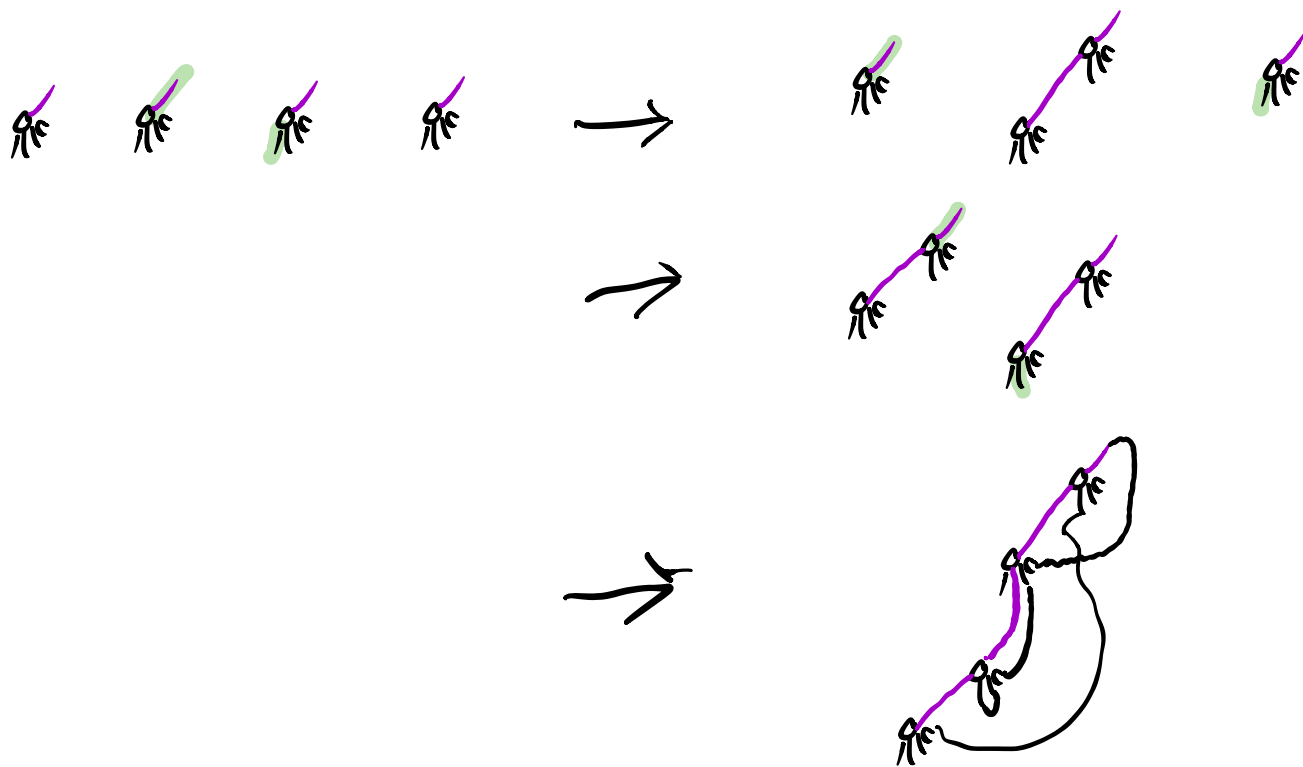
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For each $n \geq 1$, let $d^n = (d^n(v) \mid 1 \leq v \leq n)$ be a degree sequence, and let (G_n, T_n, Γ_n) be chosen uniformly at random among all simple tree-rooted graphs with vertex set $[n]$ and degree sequence d^n . Then (under certain conditions on the limiting distribution of d^n) there exists a constant σ (dependent on the limiting distribution) such that

$$\frac{\sigma}{n^{1/2}} T_n \xrightarrow{\text{dist}} \mathcal{T}$$

as $n \rightarrow \infty$ with respect to the Gromov-Hausdorff-Prokhorov topology, where \mathcal{T} is the Brownian continuum random tree.

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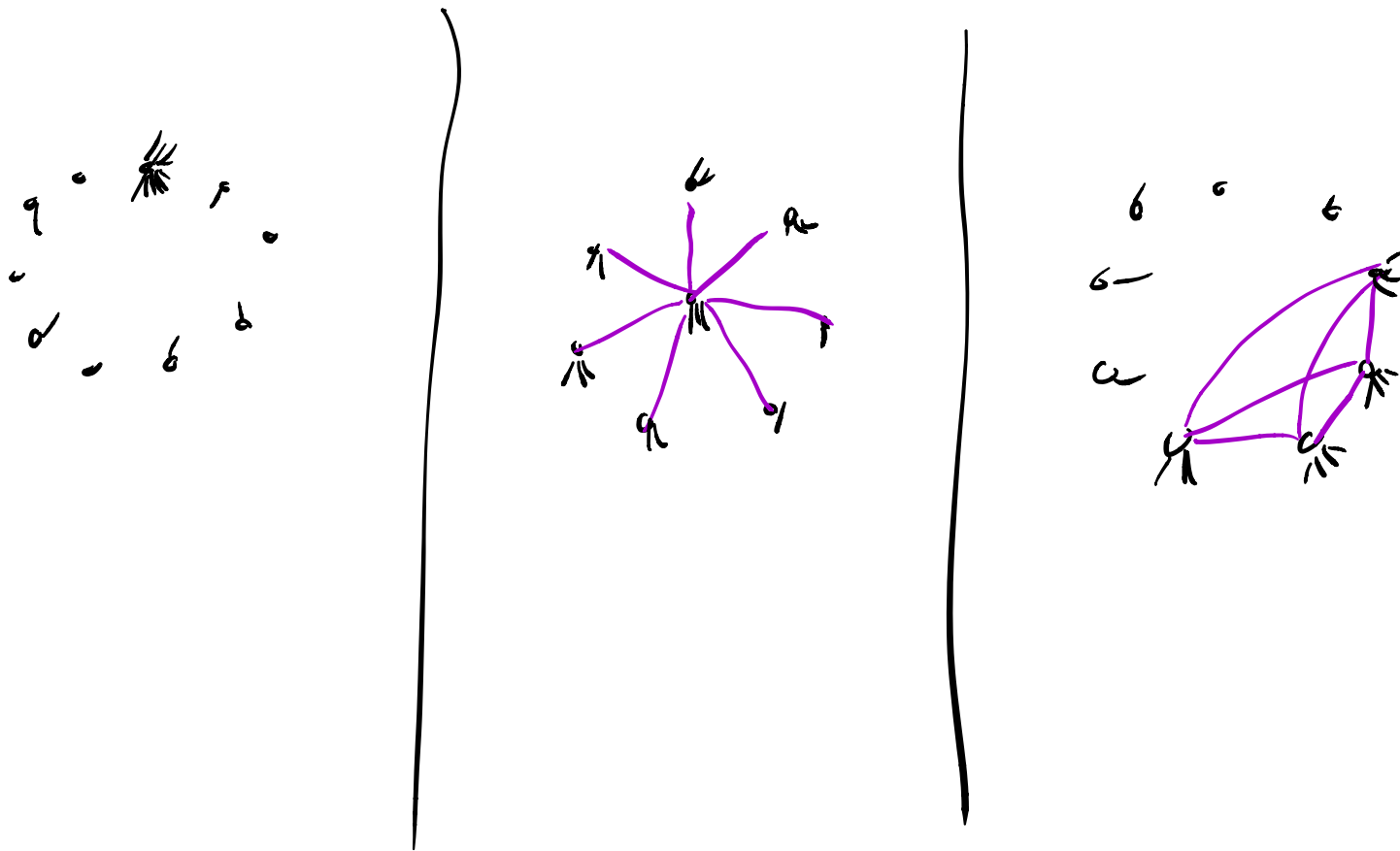
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For each $n \geq 1$, let \mathfrak{G}_n be the graph with $v(\mathfrak{G}_n) = [n]$ and $e(\mathfrak{G}_n) = e(H_n) \cup e(G_n)$. We are interested in the asymptotics of $\mathbf{P}\{\mathfrak{G}_n \text{ is a simple graph}\}$.

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$$\alpha^n(a, b) := \frac{1}{n} |\{uv \in e(H_n) : d^n(u) = a, d^n(v) = b\}| \rightarrow \alpha(a, b),$$

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An immediate corollary to this theorem is:

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where $C = C(q, r, s)$, S_1 is defined by

$$S_1 = (|\mathcal{L}|)_q(|\mathcal{N}|)_s \sum_{k=1}^{r-1} (|\mathcal{M}|)_{r-k} \sum_{\ell=0}^k d_{\max}^{2\ell} \prod_{i=0}^{q+2r+s-1-(2k-\ell)} \frac{1}{2m-1-2i},$$

and S_2 is defined by the following identity:

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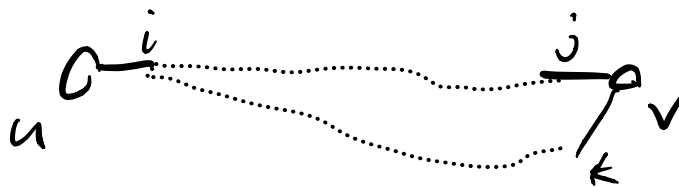
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If z is conflicting, then there must be some $z_a, z_b \in z$ with $z_a = (ui, vj)$ and $z_b = (ui, vk)$, or with $z_a = (ui, vk)$ and $z_b = (uj, vk)$. Here is a visual representation of a conflicting z :

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First, choose some a, b with $1 \leq a < b \leq s$. The number of such choices is $\binom{s}{2}$.

Second, choose $(z_1, \dots, z_{a-1}, z_{a+1}, \dots, z_{b-1}, z_{b+1}, \dots, z_s)$ arbitrarily. The number of such choices is $(|\mathcal{N}|)_{s-2}$.

Lastly, choose $uv_1, uv_2 \in e(H)$, $i \in [d(u)]$, $j \in [d(v_1)]$, and $k \in [d(v_2)]$. Then let $z_a = (ui, vj)$ and $z_b = (ui, vk)$. The number of choices here is bounded by

$$\sum_{uv_1, uv_2 \in e(H)} d(u)d(v_1)d(v_2).$$

Putting this all together gives us

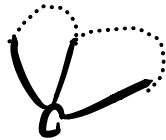
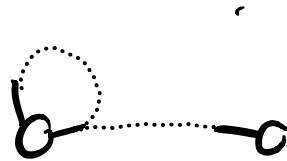
$$|\mathcal{C}| \leq C(|\mathcal{N}|)_{s-2} \sum_{uv_1, uv_2 \in e(H)} d(u)d(v_1)d(v_2)$$

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Finally, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \left| \mathbf{E}((N)_s) - \frac{(|\mathcal{N}|)_s}{\prod_{i=0}^{s-1} (2m-1-2i)} \right| &\leq \sum_{z \in \mathcal{C}}^* |er(z)| \\ &\leq \frac{(|\mathcal{N}|)_{s-2}}{\prod_{i=0}^{s-1} (2m-1-2i)} \sum_{uv_1, uv_2 \in e(H)} d(u)d(v_1)d(v_2). \end{aligned}$$

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 &= |\mathcal{N}| \cdot o(n) \\
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Can we relax any of these constraints?

Thank you!

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