

Dynamic critical behavior of the XY model in small-world networks

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INTRODUCTION

◆ What do we study?

Critical behavior of the XY model on the Watts and Strogartz model of small-world networks

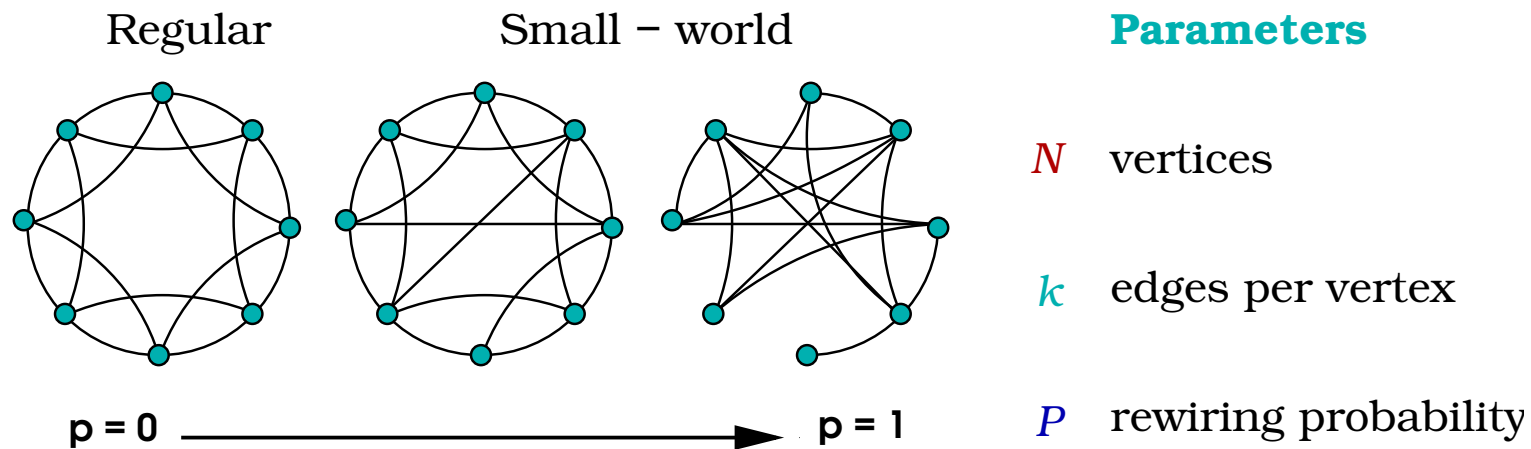
◆ How do we study it?

- Monte Carlo simulations
- the short-time relaxation method
- finite-size scaling

◆ What do we obtain?

The static and dynamic critical exponents α, β, ν, z

THE WATTS-STROGATZ MODEL OF SMALL-WORLD NETWORK



The average path length

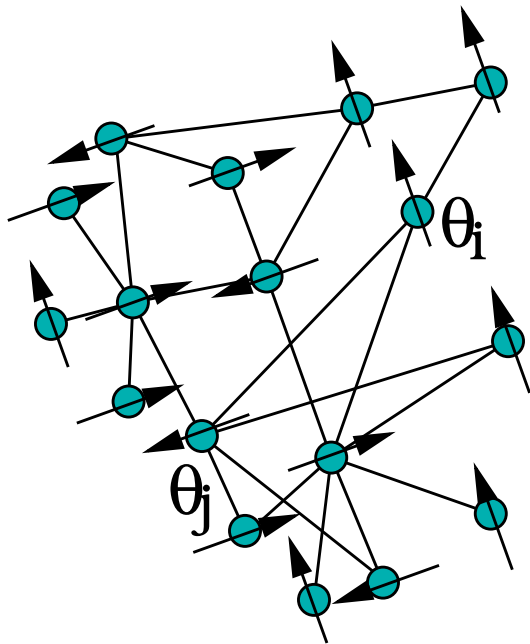
$$\underline{l \sim N \text{ if } P = 0} \quad \text{and} \quad \underline{l \sim \log N \text{ if } P > 0}$$

\Rightarrow

small-world phenomenon emerge at any finite P

D. J. Watts and S. H. Strogatz, "Collective dynamics of 'small-world' networks" *Nature* 393:440-42.

XY MODEL



$$\Psi(\mathbf{r}) = |\Psi(\mathbf{r})| e^{i\theta(\mathbf{r})}$$

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$$|\Psi_i| = |\Psi| e^{i\theta_i}$$

The Hamiltonian:

$$H = -\frac{1}{2} \sum_{i \neq j} J_{ij} \cos(\theta_i - \theta_j)$$

where

$$J_{ij} = J_{ji} = \begin{cases} J, & \text{if } (i, j) \text{ is an edge,} \\ 0, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

- ◆ Transition from disordered to ordered state at T_c for $d \geq 2$
- ◆ Quasi-long-range order for $d = 2$

LENGTH SCALES

d-dimensional regular lattice

◆ linear size of the system L

◆ the correlation length

$$\xi \sim |T - T_c|^{-\nu}$$

◆ the relaxation time

$$\tau \sim \xi^z = L^z$$



$$\chi(t/L^z, \xi/L)$$

Network

◆ the network size $N = L^d$

◆ the correlation volume

$$\xi_V \sim \xi^d \Rightarrow \xi_V \sim |T - T_c|^{-\bar{\nu}} \\ \Rightarrow \bar{\nu} = d\nu$$

◆ the relaxation time

$$\tau \sim N^{\bar{z}} \Rightarrow \bar{z} = z/d$$

◆ the typical distance between the ends of shortcuts

$$\zeta = (kP)^{-1}$$



$$\chi(t/N^{\bar{z}}, \xi/N, \zeta/N)$$

STATIC CRITICAL EXPONENTS

◆ static behavior

◆ geometry of the network: $N \gg 1/P$ or $N \gg \zeta$

$$\chi(t/N^z, \xi/N, \zeta/N) \implies \chi(\xi/N, 0)$$

B. J. Kim, H. Hong, P. Holme, G. S. Jeon, P. Minnhagen and M. Y. Choi, "XY model in small-world networks"
Phys. Rev. E **64**, 056135 (2001).

$$\text{◆ } m \sim (T_c - T)^\beta \implies \underline{\beta = 1/2}$$

$$\text{◆ } C_v \sim |T - T_c|^{-\alpha} \implies \underline{\alpha = 0}$$

$$\text{◆ } \xi_V \sim |T - T_c|^{-\bar{\nu}} \implies \underline{\bar{\nu} = 2}$$

$$\text{mean-field transition} \implies d \geq 4 \implies \underline{\nu = \bar{\nu}/d = 1/2}$$

DYNAMIC CRITICAL EXPONENT: USED METHODS

$$\tau \sim \xi^z \quad \text{at } T_c \implies \underline{\tau \sim L^{-z} = N^{-\bar{z}}} \quad \text{with } \bar{z} = z/d$$

◆ Short-time relaxation method:

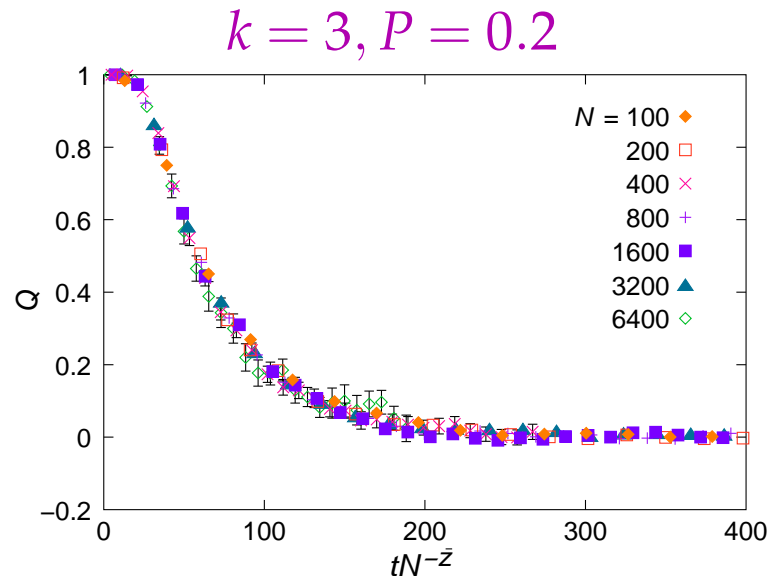
$$Q(t) = [\langle \text{sgn}(\sum_{i=1}^N \cos \theta_i(t)) \rangle]$$

the initial configuration $\theta_i(0) = 0 \implies Q(0) = 1$

and $Q(t \rightarrow \infty) = 0$

◆ Dynamic Monte-Carlo simulations

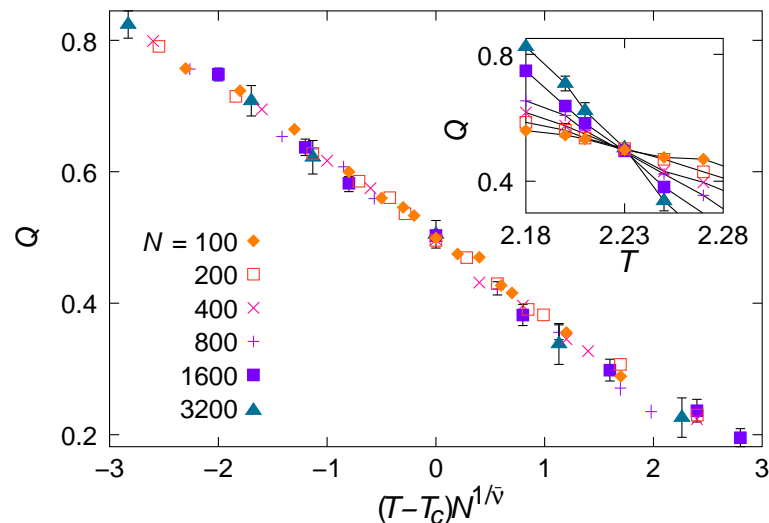
DYNAMIC CRITICAL EXPONENT: FINITE-SIZE SCALING



$$Q(t, T, N) = F(t/N^{\bar{z}}, (T - T_c)N^{1/\bar{\nu}})$$

at T_c : $Q(t, N) = F(t/N^{\bar{z}})$

$$\Rightarrow T_c = 2.23, \quad \bar{z} = 0.52(1)$$

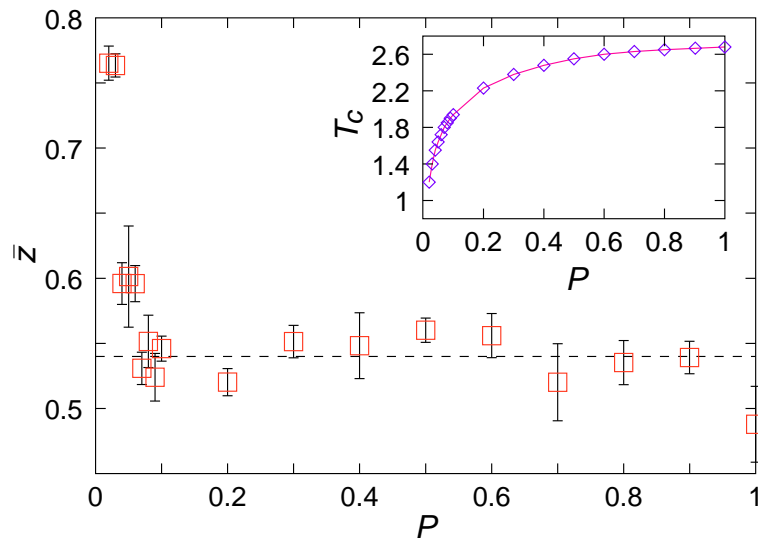


$$a = tN^{-\bar{z}} = 3$$

$$Q_a(T, N) = F(a, (T - T_c)N^{1/\bar{\nu}})$$

$$\Rightarrow T_c = 2.23, \quad \bar{\nu} = 2.0$$

DYNAMIC CRITICAL EXPONENT: DEPENDENCE FROM THE PARAMETER P



◆ $\bar{z} \approx 0.54(3)$ for $P \gtrsim 0.03$

◆ $N \gg 1/P$ fails for $P \lesssim 0.03$



$$\chi(t/N^{\bar{z}}, \xi/N, \zeta/N)$$

DISCUSSION OF THE RESULTS

XY model on the WS model of small-world networks

◆ for finite P :

$$\beta = 1/2, \quad \alpha = 0, \quad \bar{\nu} = 2 \rightarrow \nu = \bar{\nu}/d = 1/2 \quad - \quad \underline{\text{mean-field values}}$$

$$\bar{z} = 0.54(3) \rightarrow z = \bar{z}d \approx 2.1$$

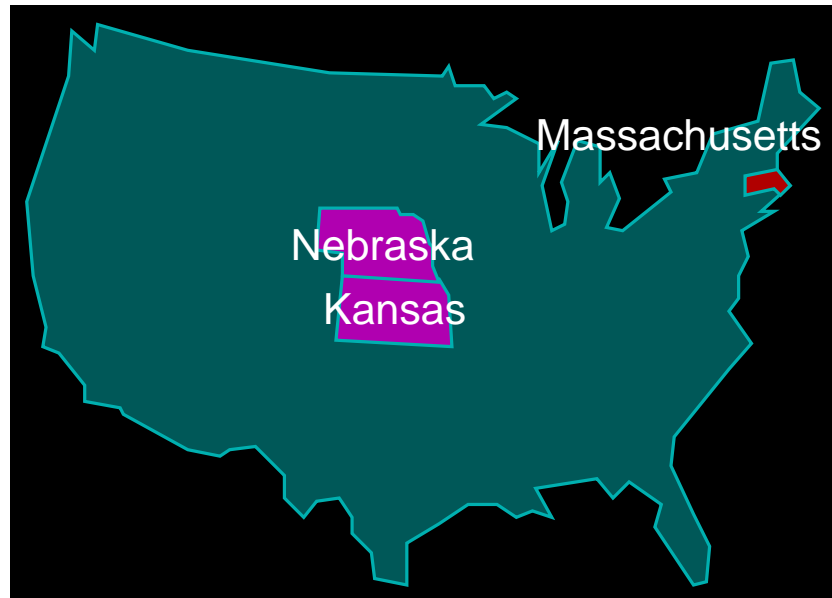
\implies the same universality class as a regular lattice of $d \geq 4$

◆ there is no critical behavior *induced* by WS model other than the transition from large-world regime $l \sim N$ to small-world regime $l \sim \log N$

◆ hyper-cubic lattice: number of edges $> 8N$

◆ we need: $kN = 3N$ and most probably $2N$

SMALL-WORLD NETWORKS: MILGRAM'S EXPERIMENT



The experiment:

- ◆ How many intermediates between people in Nebraska/Kansas and Boston.
- ◆ Target known by name and profession.

- ◆ Packages sent closer in geographical and social space to persons at least known by their first name.

The result:

- ◆ A median of 5 intermediates.
- ◆ Comparing with similar experiments on smaller populations \Rightarrow a logarithmically increasing shortest path length.
- ◆ Average shortest path length of the Earth's population = 6.

S. Milgram, "The Small-World Problem" *Psychology Today* 2:60-67.