

# Random walks centrality measures and community detection



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# Centrality measures

- Web search → PageRank, HITS
- Social → importance/popularity
- Transport → facility location

# Community detection

- Information → topic related www, routing
- Social → group stability, collaboration
- Biological → metabolic, protein networks

# Centrality measures

- Web search → ... random surfer?
- Social → ... communication, phone calls
- Transport → ... cars

WHAT PROCESS?  
Community detection

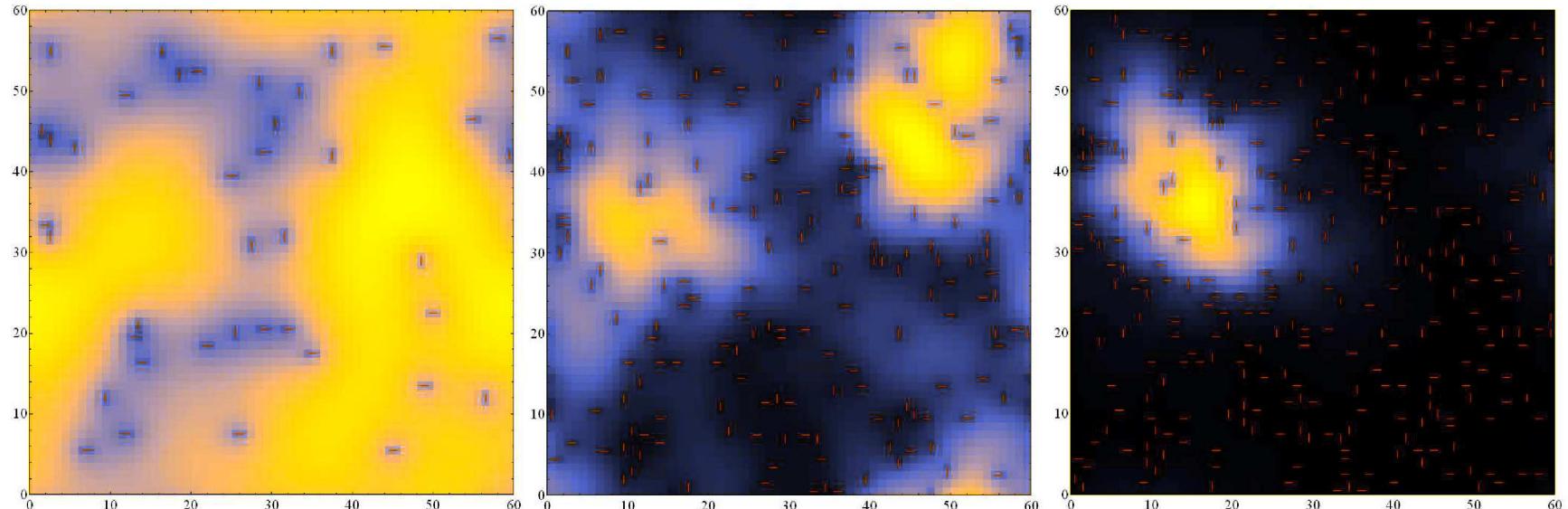
- Information → ... routing tables
- Social → ...
- Biological → ... activated/repressed expression

# Random Walks compared

	GENERIC RW	MAXIMAL-ENTROPY RW
TRANSITION MATRIX	$P_{ba} = \frac{A_{ba}}{k_a}$	$P_{ba} = \frac{A_{ba}}{\lambda_0} \frac{\psi_{0b}}{\psi_{0a}}$
STATIONARY STATE	$\pi_a = \frac{k_a}{2L}$	$\pi_a = \psi_{0a}^2$
PATH PROBABILITY	$P(\gamma_{a_t a_0}) = \prod_{i=0}^{t-1} \frac{1}{k_i}$	$P(\gamma_{a_t a_0}) = \frac{1}{\lambda_0^t} \frac{\psi_{0a_t}}{\psi_{0a_0}}$
A	adjacency matrix of the graph, $A_{ba} = 0$ or 1.	
$\lambda_i, \vec{\psi}_i$	eigenvalues and eigenvectors of A, $\sum_b A_{ba} \psi_{ib} = \lambda_i \psi_{ia}, \sum_b \psi_{ib}^2 = 1.$	
$P_{ba}$	transition probability of a walker taking a step from node $a$ to node $b$ .	

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# MERW: localisation

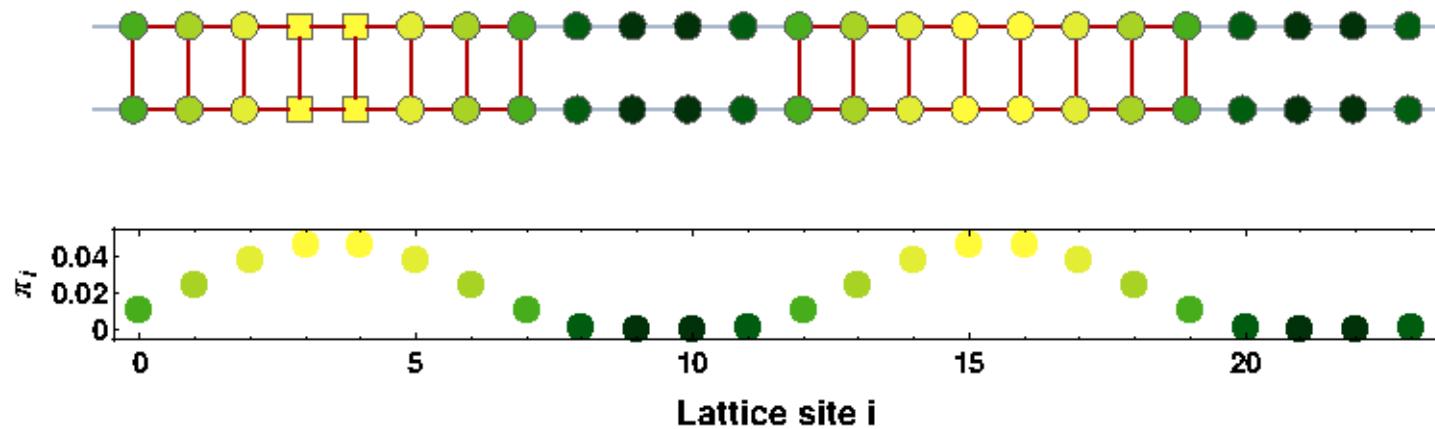


**Localisation** of the **stationary probability** distribution  
in the largest spherical Lifshitz region.

The Wolfram Demonstrations Project <http://demonstrations.wolfram.com>:

- "Generic Random Walk and Maximal Entropy Random Walk"

# MERW: dynamics



The relaxation time for MERW is exponential in the gap size  $g$ :

$$\tau = \exp\left(\left(f N^{-1/\nu} - c_\infty\right) \cdot g\right)$$

The relaxation time for GRW is independent of the gap size:

$$\tau \sim N^d$$

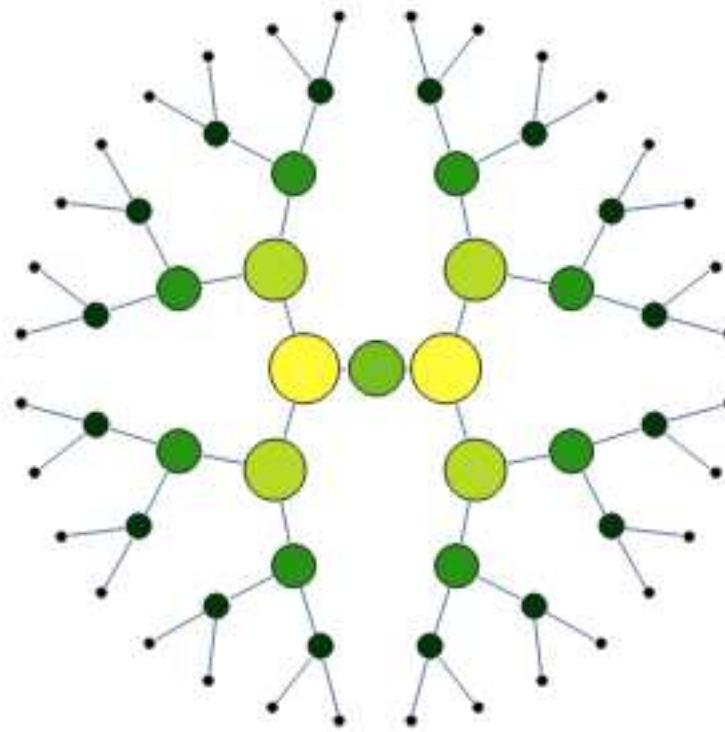
# MERW: dynamics

Fast relaxation for MERW:

$$\tau \sim \ln N$$

Slow relaxation for GRW:

$$\tau \sim N$$



J.K. Ochab, Z. Burda, Phys. Rev. E 85, 021145 (2012)

The Wolfram Demonstrations Project <http://demonstrations.wolfram.com> :

- "Dynamics of Maximal Entropy Random Walk and Generic Random Walk on Cayley Trees"
- "Stationary States of Maximal Entropy Random Walk and Generic Random Walk on Cayley Trees"

# MERW: mean first-passage times

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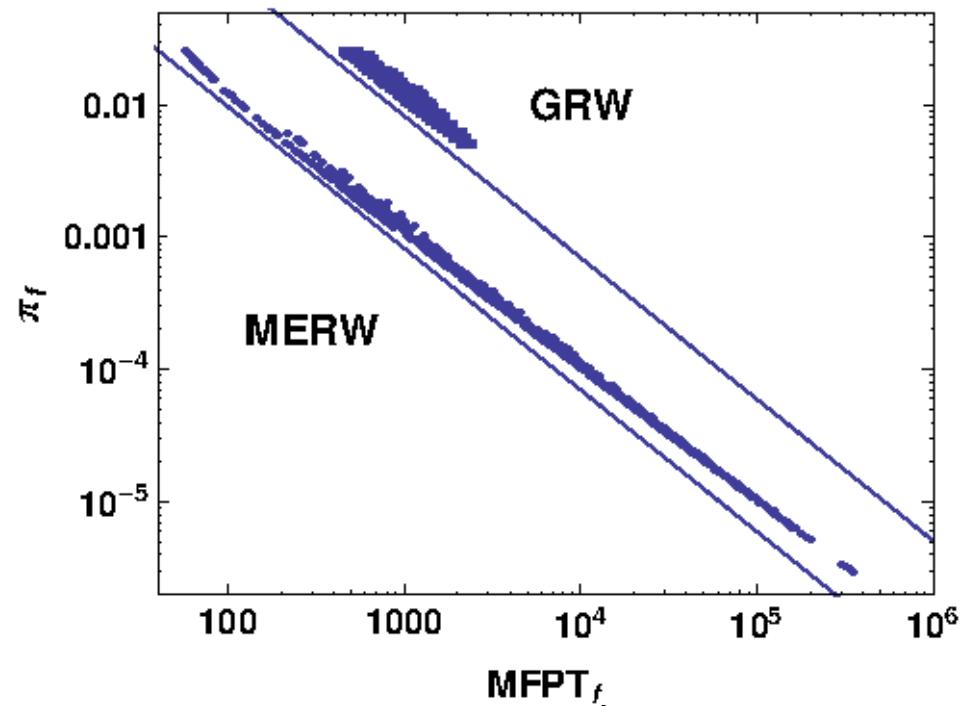
$$M = (EZ_{dg} - Z)D = \text{MFPT matrix}$$

- $e = (1, 1, 1, \dots)^T$

- $(Z_{dg})_{ii} = Z_{ii}$

- $(D)_{ii} = 1/\pi_i$

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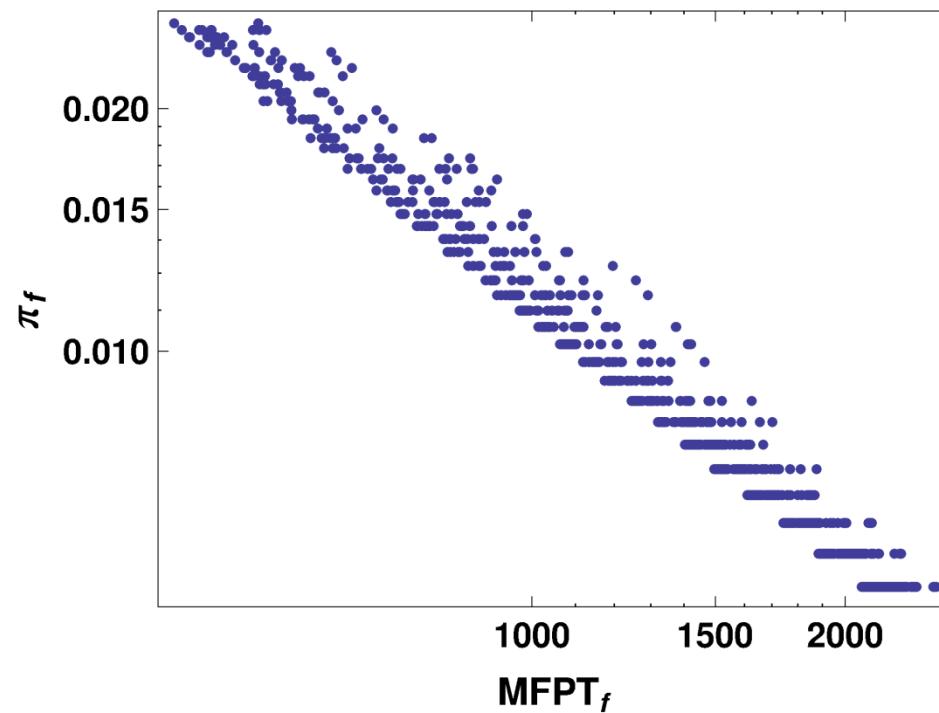
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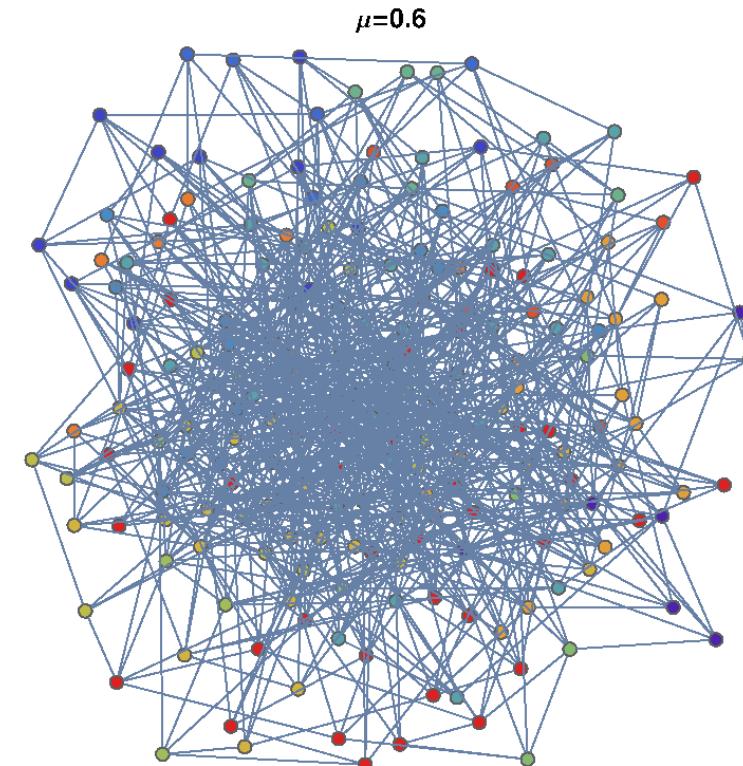
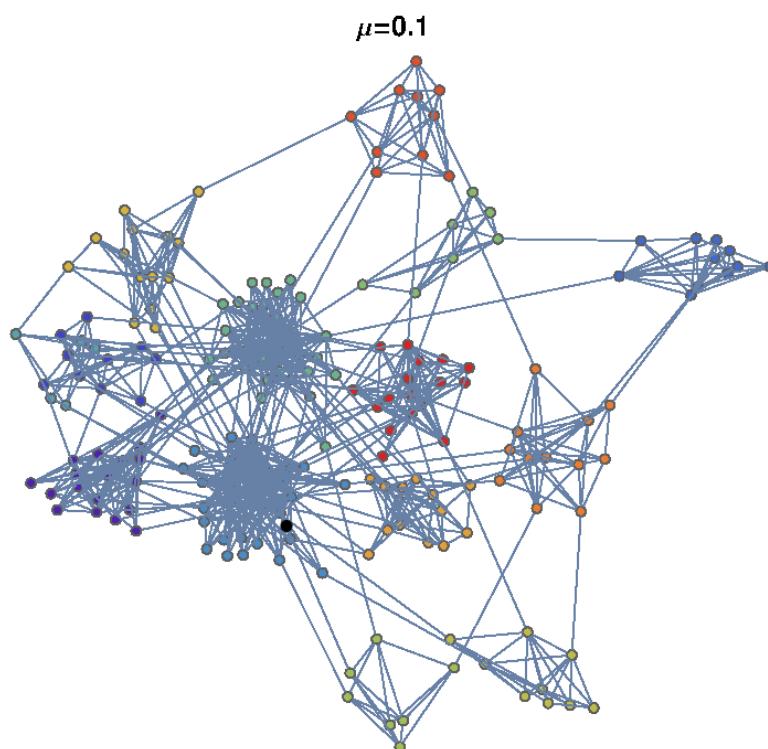
# **CENTRALITY MEASURES**

# Benchmark graphs

Power-law **degree** dist.,  $\langle k \rangle = \text{const.}$

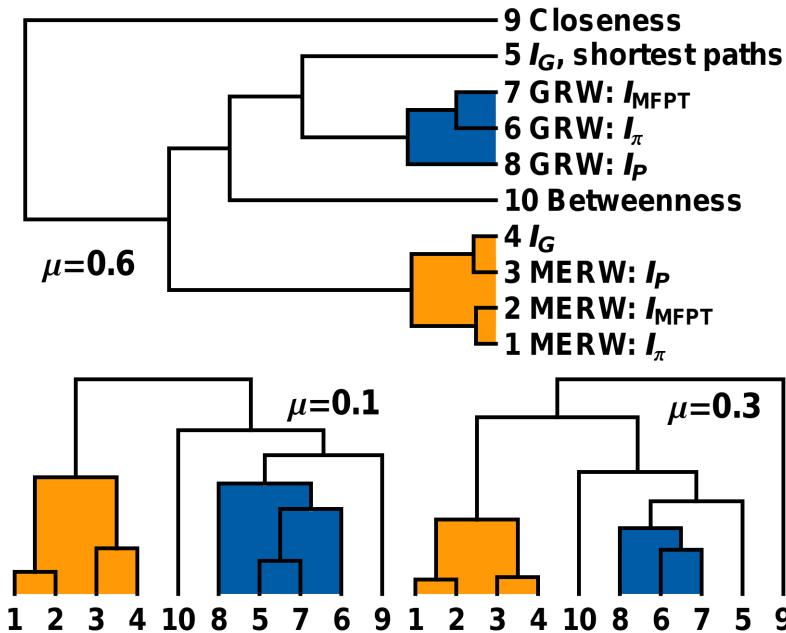
Power-law **community size** dist., predefined community assignment

$\mu$  – **mixing parameter** = fraction of a node's links outside its group



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# Comparison



EIGENVECTOR

$$\vec{I}_\psi = \vec{\psi}_0$$

STATIONARY STATE

$$\vec{I}_\pi = \vec{\pi}$$

WEIGHTED PATHS

$$\vec{I}_G = (G(\lambda) - 1)\vec{e}$$

STOCHASTIC MATRIX

$$\vec{I}_P = \sum_{t=1}^T \vec{\pi}(0)^T \mathbf{P}^t$$

MFPT

$$\bar{I}_{MFPT} = N / \sum_i M_{if}$$

The dendograms show affinity between different centrality measures.

- **Blue** group corresponds to GRW
- **Orange** group corresponds to measures unified by MERW
- Orange** members are on average closer to each other and further away from other measures than **Blue**.

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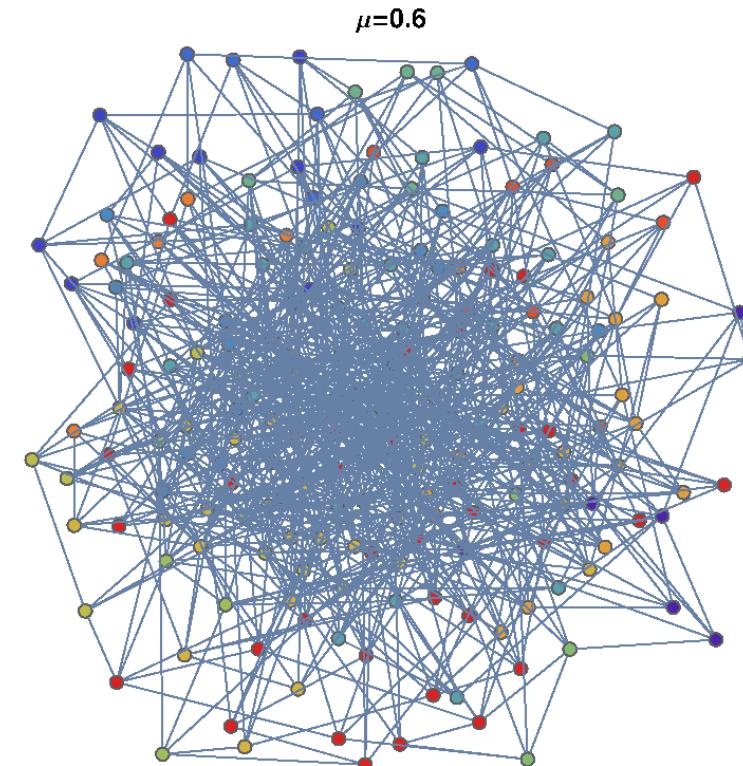
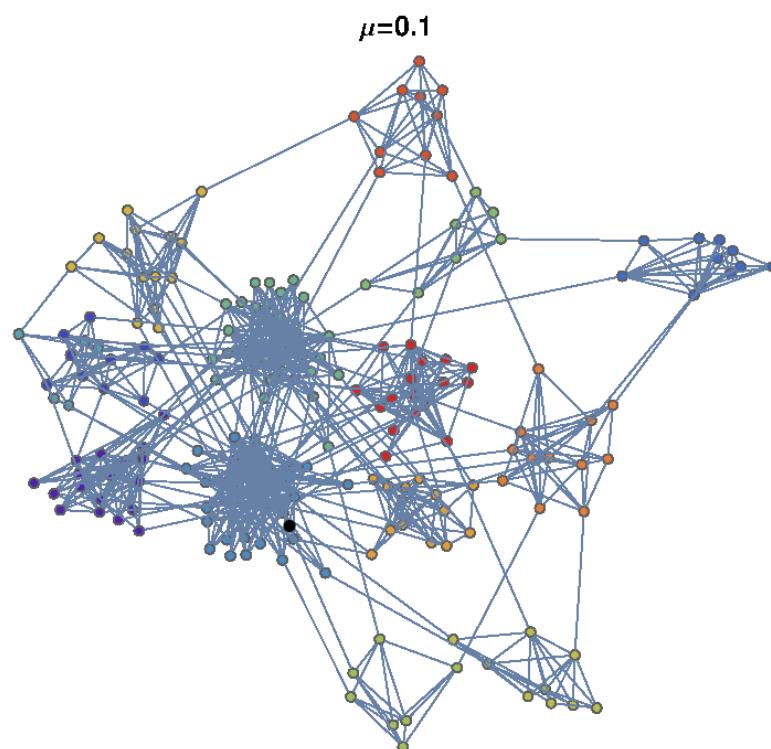
# **COMMUNITY DETECTION**

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# Normalised Mutual Information

Measures independence of distributions → dissimilarity of graph partitions

$$NMI(X; Y) = \frac{I(X; Y)}{\sqrt{H(X)H(Y)}}$$

$$I(X; Y) = \sum_{y \in Y} \sum_{x \in X} p(x, y) \log \left( \frac{p(x, y)}{p_1(x)p_2(y)} \right)$$

$$H(X) = \sum_{x \in X} p(x) \log p(x)$$

$\pi$  – partition into communities

$n$  – number of nodes in a graph

$n_h$  – number of nodes in a comm.  $h$

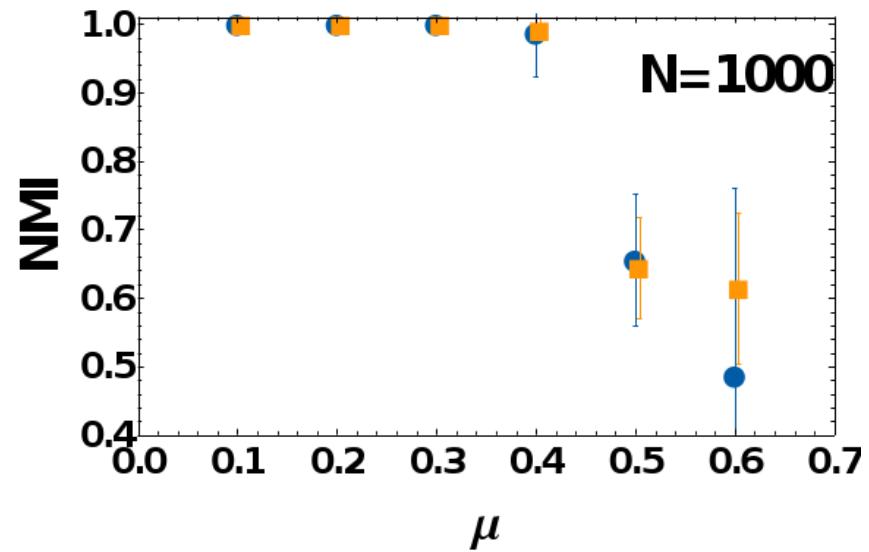
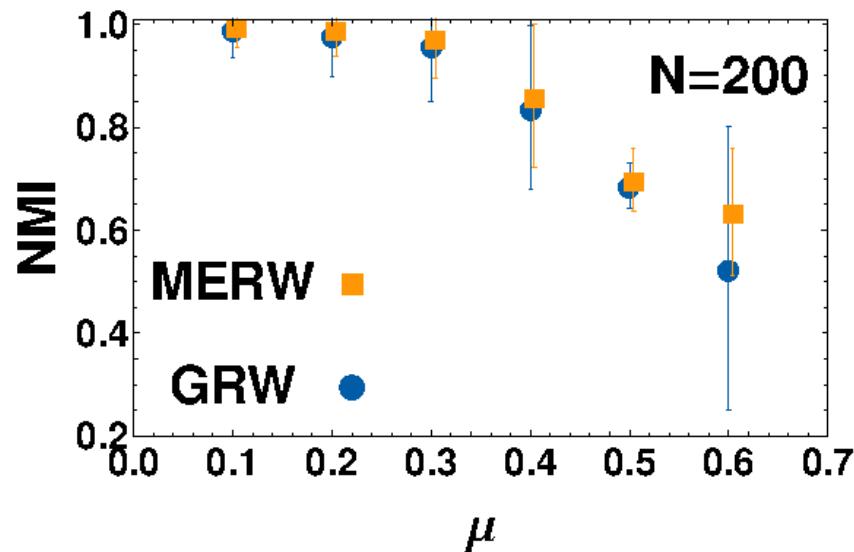
$$H(\pi^a) = \sum_h^{k^{(a)}} \frac{n_h^a}{n} \log \left( \frac{n_h^a}{n} \right)$$

$$H(\pi^b) = \sum_\ell^{k^{(b)}} \frac{n_\ell^b}{n} \log \left( \frac{n_\ell^b}{n} \right)$$

# Powers of the transition matrix

$$\sum_{t=1}^k \mathbf{P}^t$$

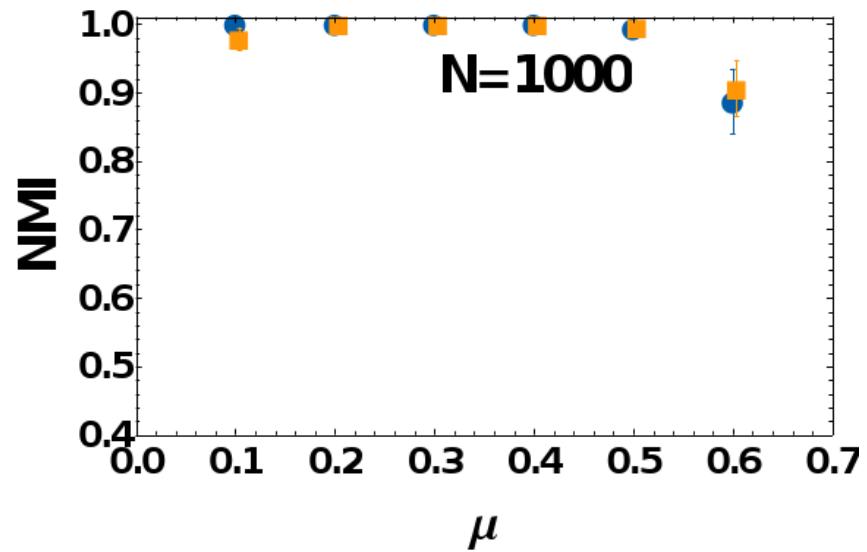
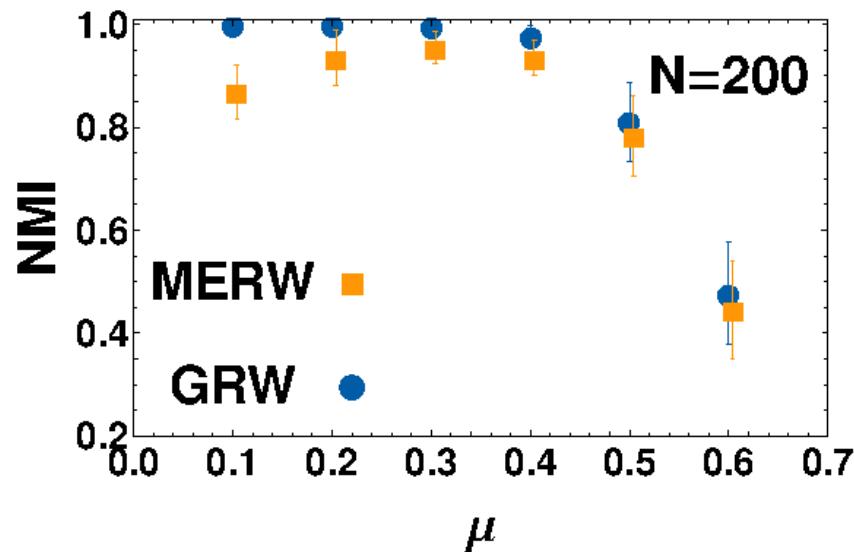
The distance between two nodes = the distance between matrix rows.  
Iterated expansion of the distance.



D. Harel, Y. Koren, On clustering using random walks, in: FST TCS '01: Proceedings of the 21st Conference on Foundations of Software Technology and Theoretical Computer Science, Springer-Verlag, London, UK, 2001, pp. 18-41

# Powers of the transition matrix

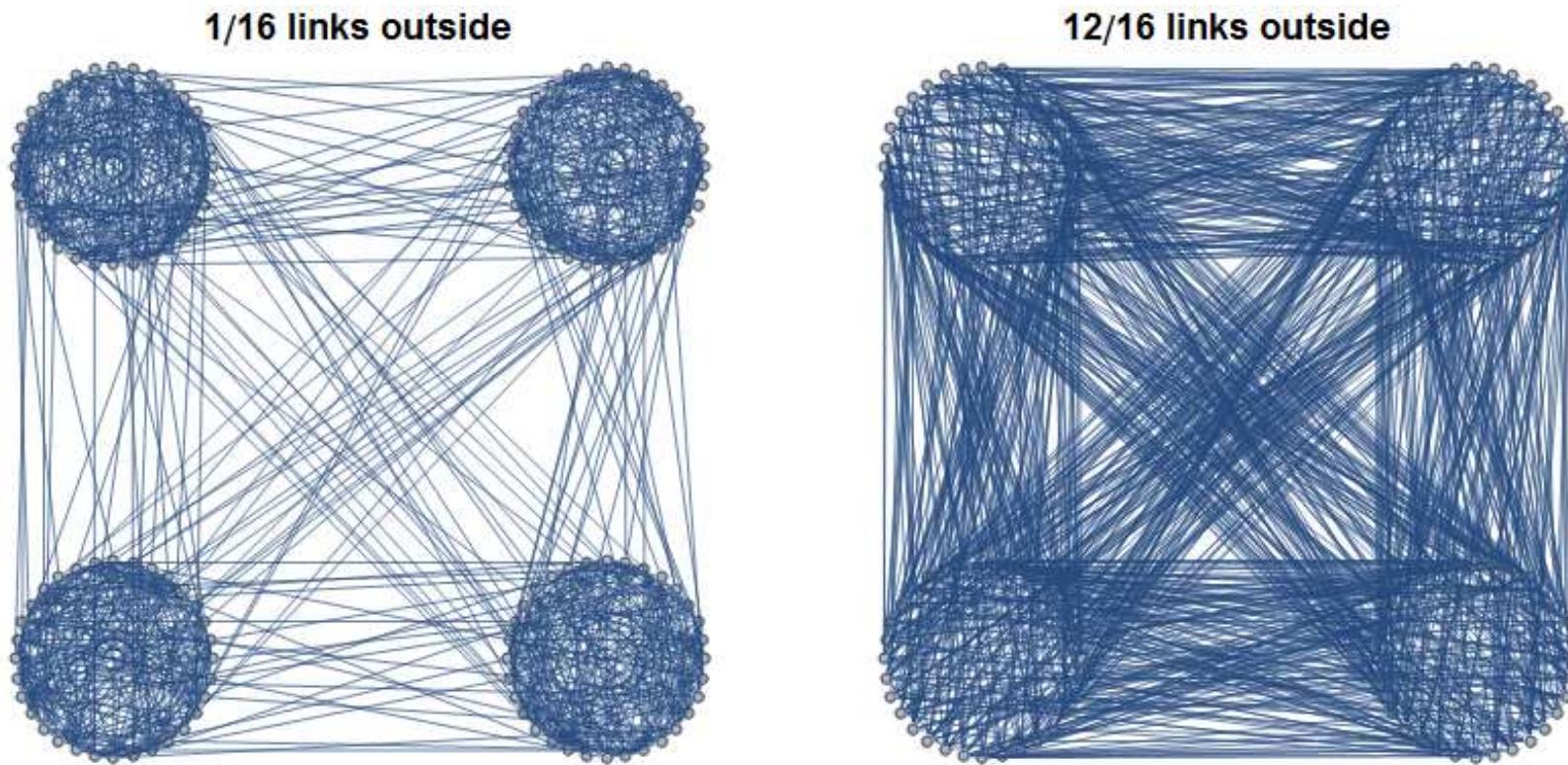
The distance matrix:  $r(t)_{ij} = \sqrt{\sum_k \frac{((P^t)_{ik} - (P^t)_{jk})^2}{d_k}}$



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# **DETECTABILITY LIMITS**

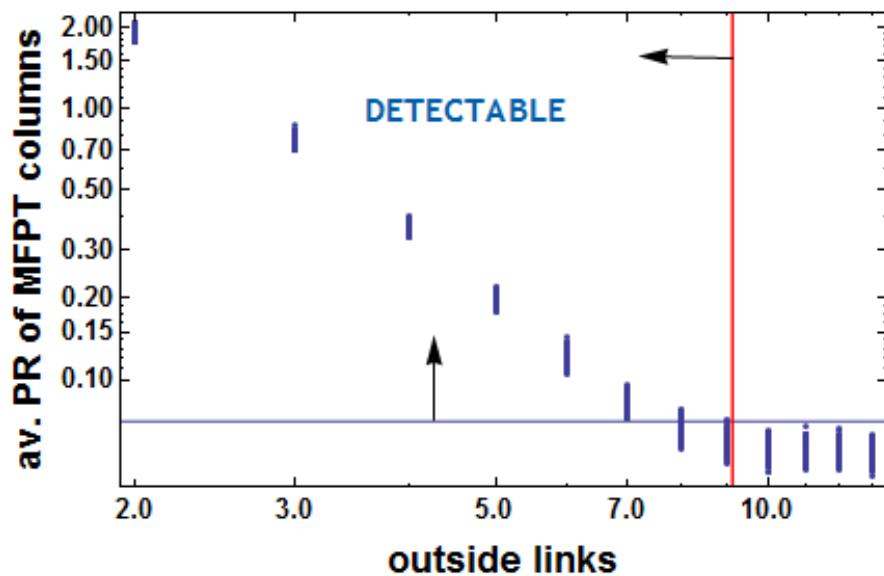
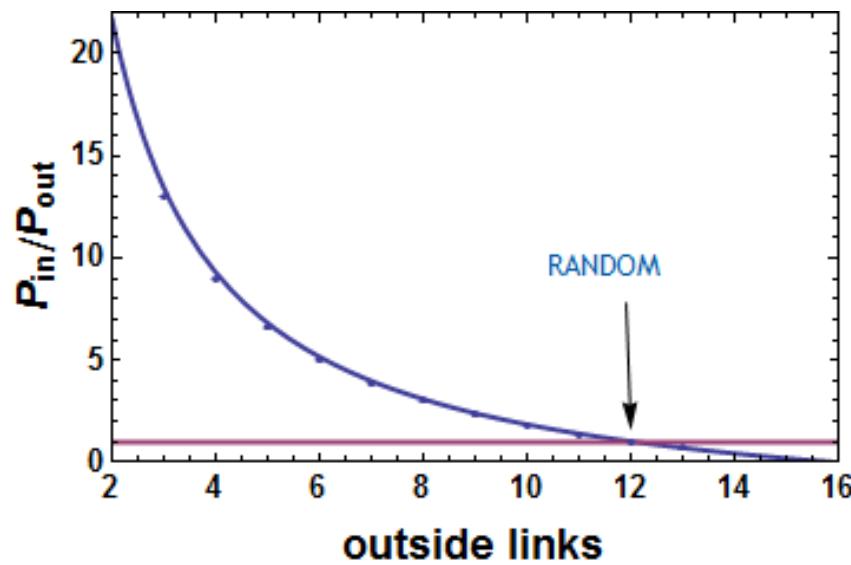
# Girvan-Newman benchmarks



- $P_{in}$  – prob. of in-group link
- $P_{out}$  – prob. of outside link

M. Girvan, M.E.J. Newman, Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA 99 (12) (2002) 7821

# Detectability limit



$P_{\text{in}}$  – prob. of in-group link

$P_{\text{out}}$  – prob. of outside link

$$N - \sum_f \left( \sum_i M_{if}^4 \right)^{-1}$$

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# Conclusions

- MERW unifies a number of centrality measures
- MERW and GRW result in comparable performance of community detection methods
- There is RW indicator of detectability

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# RW-based centralities

EIGENVECTOR       $\vec{\mathbf{I}}_\psi = \vec{\psi}_0$

STATIONARY STATE     $\vec{\mathbf{I}}_\pi = \vec{\pi}$

WEIGHTED PATHS       $\vec{\mathbf{I}}_G = (\mathbf{G}(\lambda) - \mathbf{1})\vec{\mathbf{e}}$        $\mathbf{G}(\lambda) = \sum_{t=0}^{\infty} \lambda^{-t} \mathbf{A}^t$

STOCHASTIC MATRIX     $\vec{\mathbf{I}}_P = \sum_{t=1}^T \vec{\pi}(0)^T \mathbf{P}^t$

MFPT                   $\vec{\mathbf{I}}_{MFPT} = N / \sum_i M_{if}$

# Other similarities

$$\pi_f \sum_{t=0}^{\infty} (\mathbf{P}^t)_{fi} = \sqrt{\pi_f} G_{fi} \sqrt{\pi_i}$$

Def. similar to  
fundamental matrix

$$r(t)_{ij} = \sqrt{\frac{\sum_k [(\mathbf{P}^t)_{ik} - (\mathbf{P}^t)_{jk}]^2}{\pi_k}}$$

Distance matrix for a  
community detection alg.

$$\mathbf{r}^2(t) = \mathbf{D}[(\mathbf{P}^{2t})_{dg} \mathbf{E} - (\mathbf{P}^{2t})^T] + [\mathbf{E}(\mathbf{P}^{2t})_{dg} - \mathbf{P}^{2t}] \mathbf{D}$$

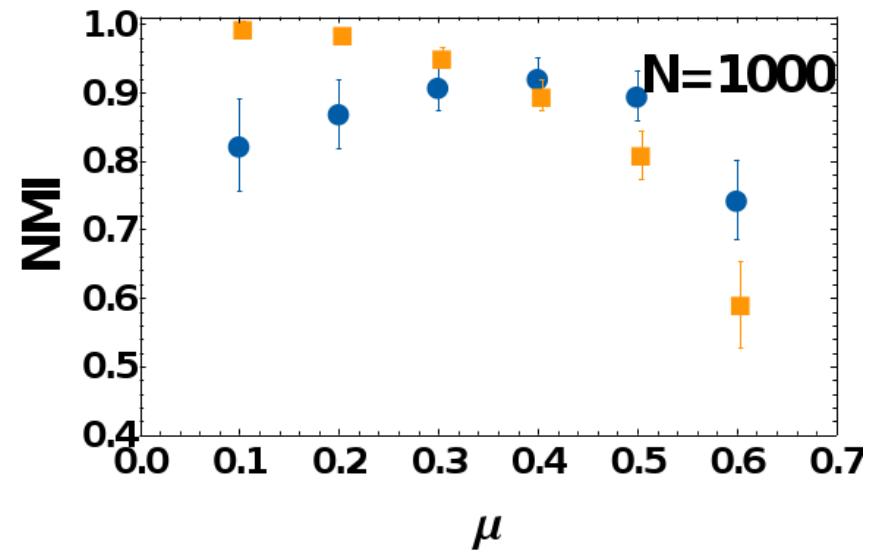
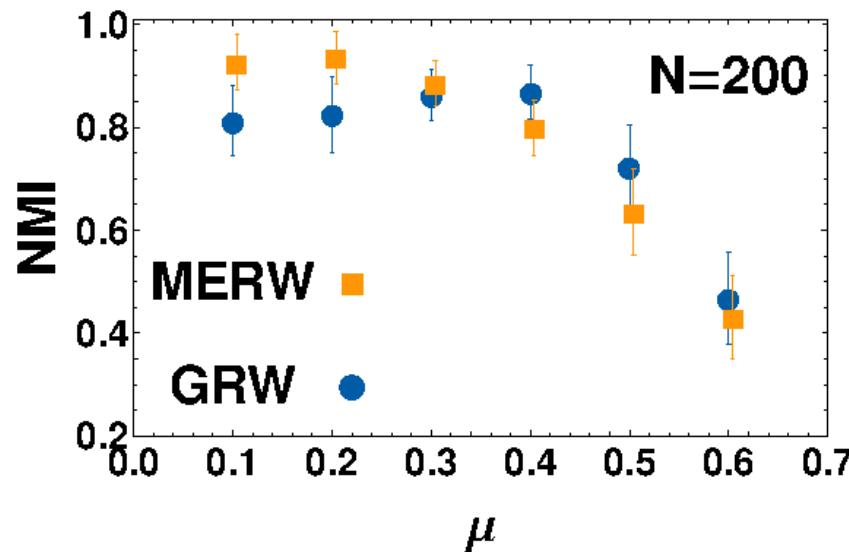
$$\mathbf{r}^2 = \mathbf{D}(\mathbf{G}^2)_{dg} \mathbf{E} - 2\sqrt{\mathbf{D}} \mathbf{G}^2 \sqrt{\mathbf{D}} + \mathbf{E}(\mathbf{G}^2)_{dg} \mathbf{D}$$

symmetric version of MFPT!

# Path weighting

$$K(\beta) = e^{\beta A} \quad (\text{factorial path weighting} = \text{heat kernel})$$

$$G = (\lambda_0 \mathbf{1} - A)^{-1} \quad (\text{exponential path weighting} = \text{resolvent} = \text{quantum particle propagator} = \text{MERW})$$

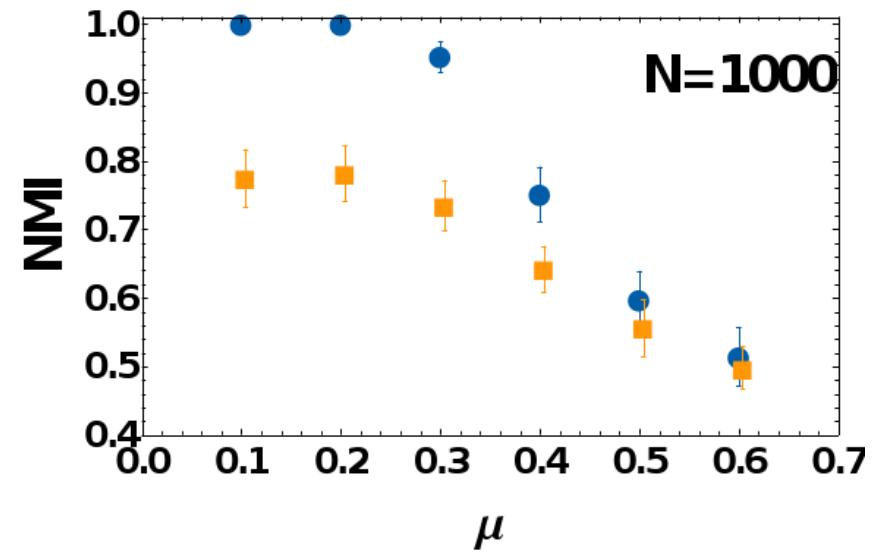
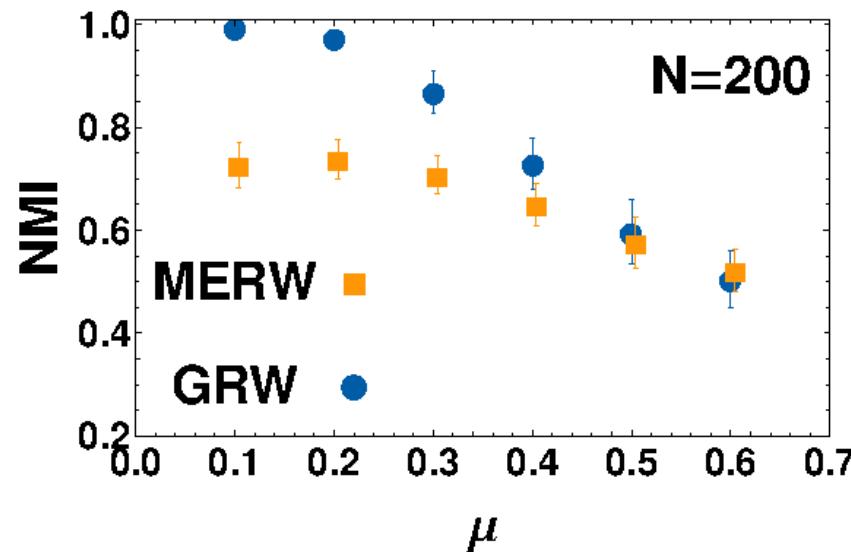


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# Mean first-passage time

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# Detectability limit

As far:

- works irrespective of the type of random walk (GRW or MERW)
- seems to work for LFR benchmarks as well

To do:

- compute the random-graph limit
- check for other RWs
- check if detection methods obey it