Random Graphs

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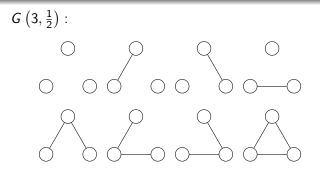
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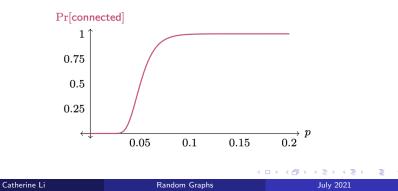
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- 1959: Erdős and Rényi published On random graphs, introducing the model G(n, m)
- 1959: Gilbert proposed G(n, p) model
- 1969: Travers and Milgram studied the small world problem
- 1984: Béla Bollobás published Random Graphs
- \bullet 2006: Kahn-Kalai conjectured expectation threshold \approx phase transition
- 2022: Park and Pham proved the Kahn-Kalai conjecture

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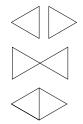


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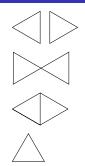
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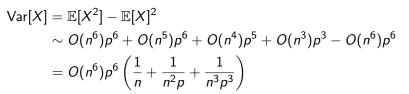


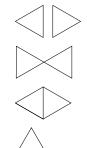
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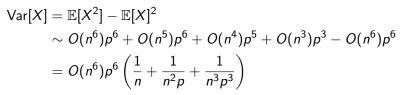
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• Markov's Inequality: $\sum_{k=1}^{\lfloor n/2 \rfloor} \mathbb{E}[X_k] \to 0$ suffices

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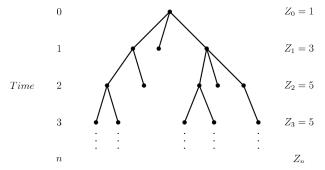
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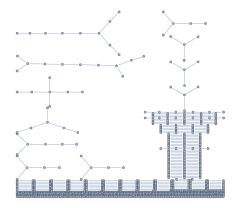
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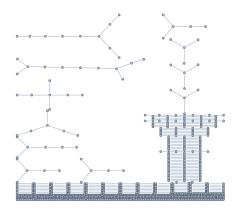
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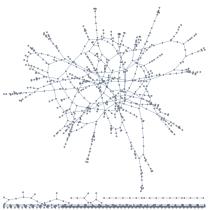
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