



Aggregation Kinetics and Network Evolution

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Outline

- Introduction
- Basics of aggregation process
- Gelation
- Network Evolution

Introduction

- **Clusters**
- **Examples:**
 - **Jello**
 - **Cheese**
 - **Stellar evolution**
 - **City population distribution**
 - **Wealth distribution**
- **With/without input**
- **Goal:** $c_k(t)$

Introduction

- **Assumptions:**
 - **Spatial homogeneity (mean field)**
 - **Mass quanta (monomer, k-mer)**
 - **Bimolecular reactions**
 - **Shape independence**
 - **Initial condition: monomers**

Basics of Aggregation Process



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The rate equation:

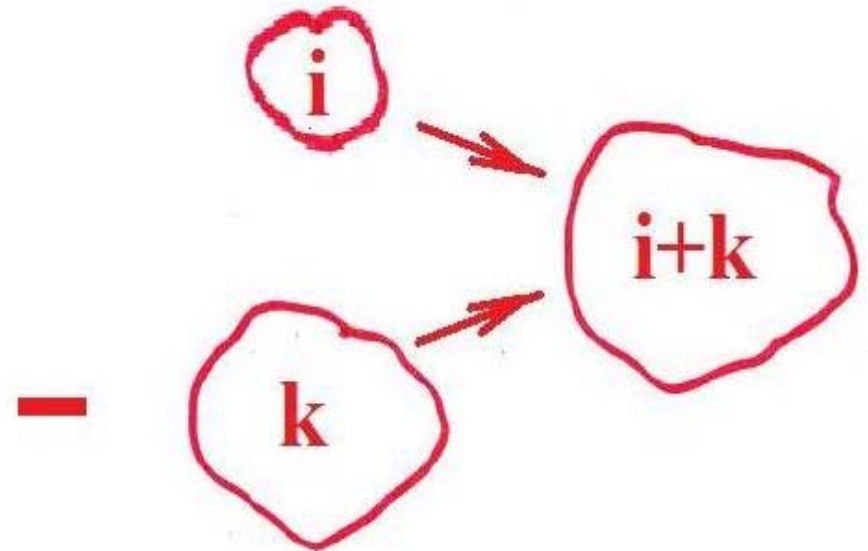
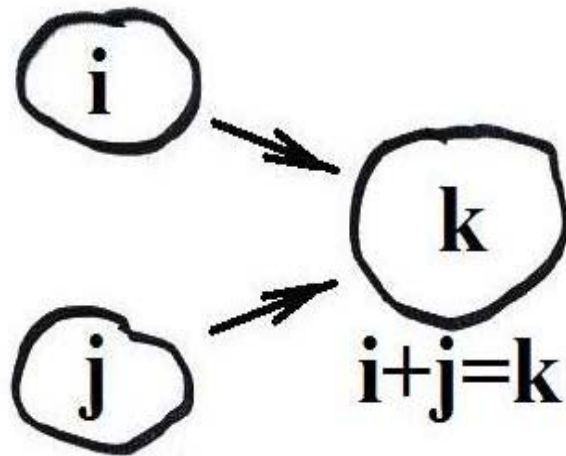
$$\frac{dc_k(t)}{dt} = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i+j=k} K_{ij} c_i c_j - c_k \sum_{i \geq 1} K_{ik} c_i$$

$$M(t) \equiv \sum_k k c_k(t) \longrightarrow \dot{M}(t) = 0$$

$$\sum_k k c_k(t) \equiv 1$$

Basics of Aggregation Process

$$\frac{1}{2} \sum_{i+j=k} K_{ij} c_i c_j - c_k \sum_{i \geq 1} K_{ik} c_i$$



Basics of Aggregation Process

A simple case:

$$K_{ij} = \text{const} \xrightarrow{S.E} 2 + \left(\frac{i}{j}\right)^{1/3} + \left(\frac{j}{i}\right)^{1/3} \approx 2$$

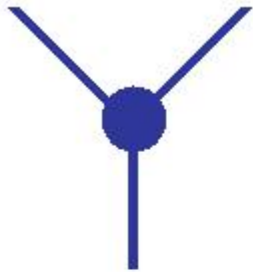
$$\frac{dc_k(t)}{dt} = \sum_{i+j=k} c_i c_j - 2c_k \sum_{i \geq 1} c_i$$

$$\rightarrow c_k(t) = \frac{t^{k-1}}{(1+t)^{k+1}} \sim t^{-2} e^{-k/t}$$

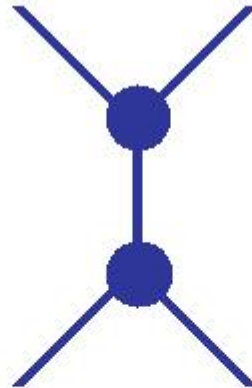
Moments converge

Gelation

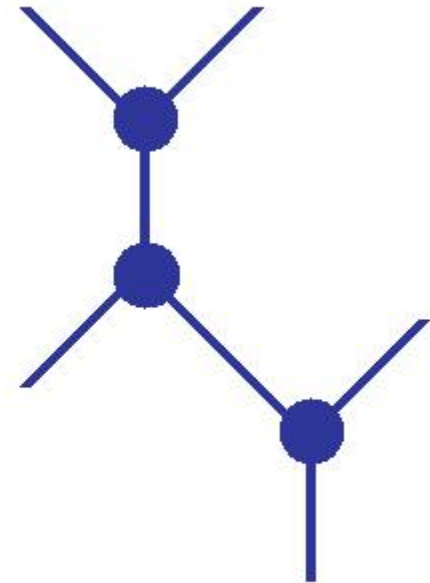
- Product kernel: $K_{ij} = i \cdot j$
- Rich gets richer



Monomer



Dimer



Trimer

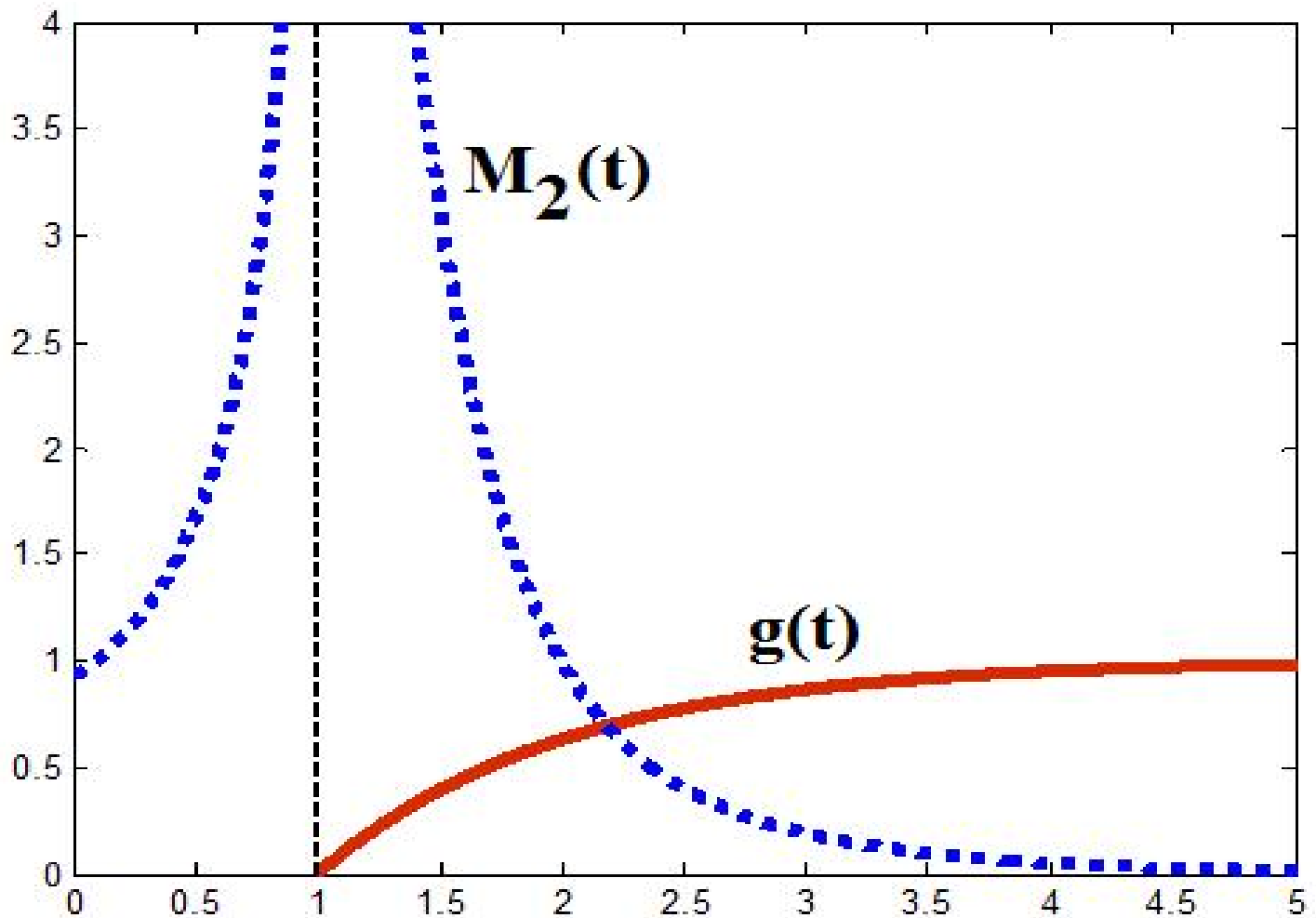
Gelation

- **Gel cluster:**
 - **Mass=g.M**
 - **Concentration=1/M**

$$c_k(t) \sim k^{-5/2} e^{\frac{-k(t-1)^2}{2}}$$

- **Second moment diverges**


Gelation



Network Evolution: Erdos-Renyi

- **Methods:**
 - **N nodes, link each pair with =p/N**
 - **Link “L” out of N(N-1)/2 pairs**
- **Kinetic formulation:**

$$\frac{dn_k}{dt} = n_{k-1} - n_k$$


$$n_k(t) = \frac{t^k}{k!} e^{-t}$$

Network Evolution: Erdos-Renyi

- Cluster size distribution
- N isolated clusters


$$C_i + C_j \xrightarrow{\left(i \frac{C_i}{N}\right) \times \left(j \frac{C_j}{N}\right)} C_{i+j}$$

- Aggregation, product kernel
- Jello = giant component

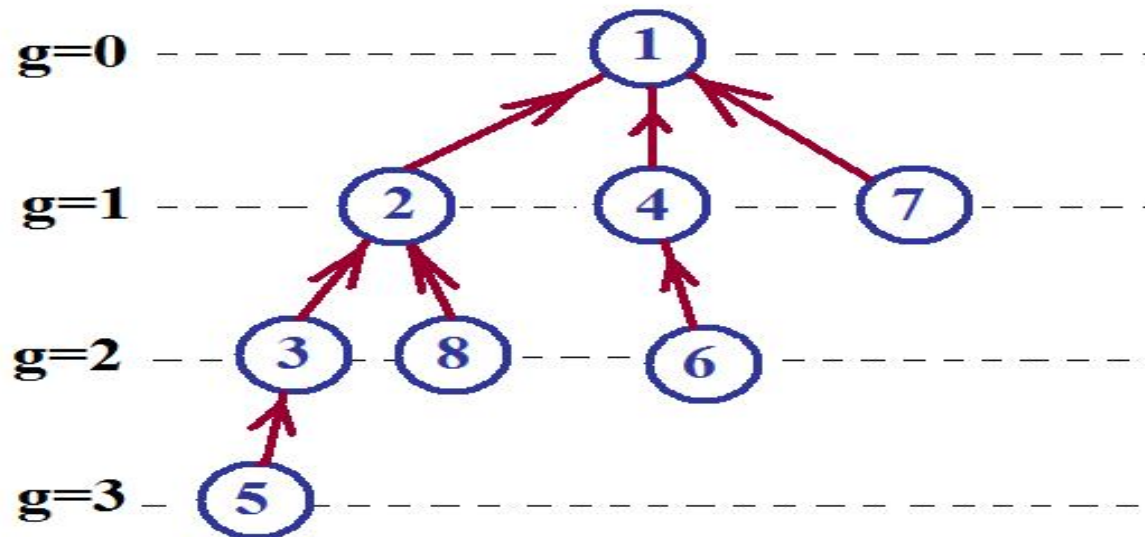
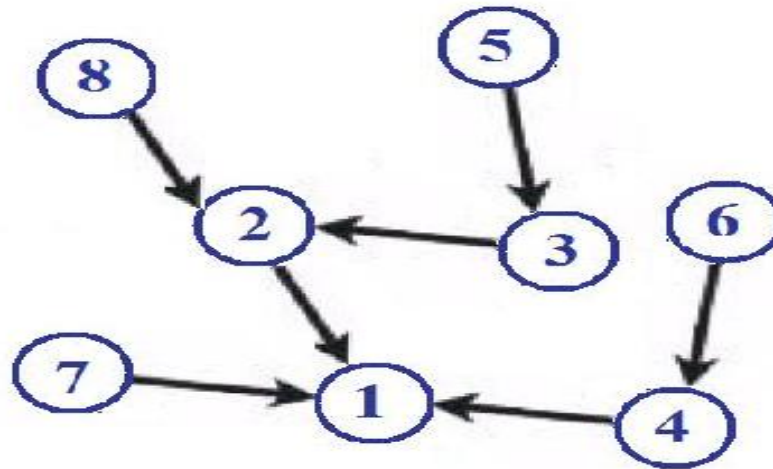
NETWORK EVOLUTION: RANDOM RECURSIVE TREE (RRT)

Network Evolution: RRT

$$\frac{dN_k}{dN} = \frac{N_{k-1}}{N} - \frac{N_k}{N} + \delta_{k,1}$$

 $n_k(t) = 2^{-k}$

Network Evolution : RRT: Genealogy



Network Evolution: RRT: Diameter

- **N nodes.**
 - **g = ?**
 - **$L_g(N) = ?$**
- **When does L_g increase?**

$$\frac{dL_g}{dN} = \frac{L_{g-1}}{N} \quad \longrightarrow \quad L_g(N) = \frac{(\ln N)^g}{g!}$$

Network Evolution: RRT: Diameter

$$L_g(N) = \frac{(\ln N)^g}{g!}$$

- **Grows with g up to $g \sim \ln N$**
- **Shrinks to $O(1)$ for $g \sim e \ln N$**
- **Diameter $\sim 2e \ln N$**

Network Evolution: Preferential Attachment

$$\frac{dN_k}{dN} = \frac{A_{k-1}}{A} N_{k-1} - \frac{A_k}{A} N_k + \delta_{k,1}$$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} A_k = k^\gamma \\ \gamma \gtrless 1 \end{array} \right.$$

$$\gamma = 1 \longrightarrow n_k \sim \frac{\Gamma(k)}{\Gamma(k+3)} \sim k^{-3}$$

Summary

- Aggregation kinetics: Powerful
- Erdos-Renyi & Gelation
- RRT: Diameter, Distribution
- Preferential attachment: Distribution

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