Epidemics in Dynamic and **Interacting Complex Networks**



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•Networks, our Disease Model and Epidemics

•Epidemics in Dynamically Quarantined Networks

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Conclusions and Ongoing Work



Motivation



Source: WHO, Global Burden of Disease (2008)



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Table 5. Estimated Costs of Selected Virus and Worm Attacks, 1999-2003

Attack	Year	Mi2g
SoBig	2003	30.91
Slammer	2003	1.05
Klez	2002	14.89
BadTrans	2002	0.68
Bugbear	2002	2.70
Nimda	2001	0.68
Code Red	2001	2.62
Sir Cam	2001	2.27
Love Bug	2000	8.75
Melissa	1999	1.11

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Source: CRS Report for Congress (2004)



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The Big Question(s)

How effective is quarantine at preventing epidemics?

How does a network of networks structure impact the spread of epidemics?



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Network Basics



Degree (k)





Types of Network

Networks are generally categorized by degree distributions Two common types:



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- Infection dies out.
 How many were infected?





Epidemic thresholds



Critical value of virulence, β_c , epidemic abruptly occurs

Phase transition!





Phase transition in epidemic spreading







Calculating β_c

Near and below criticality, number of susceptible neighbors is

$$n_s(t) = (\kappa - 1)(1 - \beta)^t$$



Branching factor $\kappa = \langle k^2 \rangle / \langle k \rangle =$ number of nodes reachable following a randomly selected link.

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Critical Point Survival Scaling





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- Total link number is preserved unless no healthy sites are available





Theory: Reactionary Quarantine

Add new term reflecting quarantine parameter *w* to the original equation for number of susceptible neighbors

$$n_s(t) = (\kappa - 1)(1 - \beta)^t (1 - w)^t$$

Sum over time for number infected

$$n_{I}(t_{rec}) = \beta \sum_{t=0}^{t_{rec}-1} (\kappa - 1)(1 - \beta)^{t}(1 - w)^{t}$$
$$= \frac{(\kappa - 1)\beta \left\{ 1 - \left[(1 - \beta)(1 - w) \right]^{t_{rec}} \right\}}{1 - (1 - \beta)(1 - w)}$$



Theory: Reactionary Quarantine

Setting n_{l} to one gives critical condition $\frac{(\kappa - 1)\beta\{1 - [(1 - \beta)(1 - w_{c})]^{t_{R}}\}}{1 - (1 - \beta)(1 - w_{c})} = 1$

phase transition between disease-free and epidemic phase





Theory: Preemptive Quarantine

With non-local channels of information, quarantine occurs without initial contact: new critical condition





Random Network



Simulations for a random network with β = (0.05,0.1,0.15,0.2) For each β , a critical w can be seen.

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Random Network



Quarantine rate scaled by theoretical critical value

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Previous simulations rescaled by the predicted w_{C} The data collapses, showing universal behavior.

Scale-free Network



Quarantine rate scaled by theoretical critical value

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Simulations for a scale-free network with β = (0.05,0.1,0.15) The data collapses when rescaled.

Targeted Quarantine



Average quarantine rate Open symbols have a node dependent quarantine rate of the form $w_k = \gamma k^{\alpha}$. With $\gamma = 1/k_{max}$ and α varying. Targeted quarantine can be seen to be significantly more effective.

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Summary

• Preemptive quarantine can be effective for all disease parameters

• Finite critical parameter even in scalefree networks

 Targeted quarantine significantly better in strongly heterogeneous networks



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Interacting Network Systems: Background



Italian national blackout

Vulnerability of networks of networks



Interacting Network Systems

Increasing danger of animal threats: malaria, flu

"The possibility of human-to-human transmission ... poses an imminent threat of a global pandemic"

-JP Liu, J. Microbiology Immunology and Infection





Interacting Network Systems: Defined



- Two (or more) networks
- Internal average link numbers: $\langle k_A \rangle$, $\langle k_B \rangle$
- Interacting average link number: $\langle k_{AB} \rangle$



Interacting Network Systems: Strongly- vs Weakly-Coupled

Q: Do epidemics always spread throughout the entire coupled network system, or can they remain localized?



A: Depends on the number of interacting links

Lots of links: Strongly-coupled, disease only global Few links: Weakly-coupled, mixed phase Critical condition on <k_{AB}>:

$$\langle k_{AB} \rangle_c = \frac{\sqrt{2\langle k_A \rangle \langle k_B \rangle - \langle k_A \rangle^2} - \langle k_A \rangle}{2}$$



Interacting Network Phases



Full phase diagram for $\langle k_A \rangle = 1.5 \langle k_B \rangle = 6.0$ Weakly-coupled networks have 3 phases

Strongly-coupled networks have 2 phases



Weakly-Coupled Simulation Data





Weakly-Coupled Phases





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Horizontal slice across the phase diagram at $<k_{AB}>=1.0$ Difficult to see mixed phase

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Look at smallest gap between two curves





Vertical slices across the phase diagram Gap drops to zero outside mixed phase region

Disease-Free Mixed Epidemic $<k_{AB}>=0$ $\uparrow \beta=.036$ $\uparrow \beta=.044$



Universal Scaling of the Survival Gap





Conclusions

- Two classes of network systems emerge: strongly-coupled and weakly-coupled
- Weakly-coupled network systems: new "mixed" phase
- Transition line between mixed and disease-free phase: universal behavior

• See arXiv:1201.6339 for more details



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Conclusions/Ongoing Work

- Network Physics can offer insight into important real world problems: When and how well quarantine works, How network of network structures impacts epidemic spreading
- Still rich areas of work to explore, combine two concepts: Quarantine on Interacting Networks
- Other works not in Dissertation/Published:
 - Preferential Attachment in the Interaction between
 Dynamically Generated Interdependent Networks
 - Are your friends who you think they are? Implicit vs Explicit Social Networks in Online Forums



Supplemental Material Follows

Mean Field Epidemic Theory

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Critical Point time scaling

$$\frac{ds}{dt} = -\beta_I i s + \gamma i, \\ \frac{di}{dt} = \beta_I i s - \gamma i,$$

making use of the condition i + s = 1, we arrive at a single rate equation

$$\frac{di}{dt} = (\beta_I - \gamma)i - \beta_I i^2.$$

Approaching criticality ($\beta_I = \gamma$) from above ($0 < i \ll 1$), the stationary density of *i* vanishes as $i^{stat} \sim \beta_I$. The mean field density is thus linear in the order parameter, and the density exponent is $\beta' = 1$. Approaching criticality from below, we have

$$\frac{di}{dt} \approx -\delta i.$$
 (1.37)

Which shows the density in the inactive phase decaying with time as $i(t) \sim e^{-t} = e^{-t/\xi_{\parallel}}$,



System Size Scaling Relation

To learn about the size-dependent properties of dynamic networks we determine the DP properties as a function of the network size N, rather than as a function of t. In DP at criticality, the infinite dimensional relationship between w, the width in the transverse axes, and t, the length in the longitudinal axes, is $w \sim t^{1/2}$. The upper critical dimension d_c is the lowest dimension for which the system has the properties of an infinite dimensional system. For DP this value is $d_c = 4 + 1$ (1 corresponds to the longitudinal axis), so the relation between the system size at the upper critical dimension and the size of a dynamic network is given by $N \sim w^4$ (the power 4 comes from the 4 transverse dimensions of d_c). Since $w \sim t^{1/2}$ we conclude that:

$$t \sim N^{1/2}$$

Therefore, for a dynamic network of size N at criticality, $P_s(t)$ decays exponentially after a time t_{\times} , with $t_{\times} \sim N^{1/2}$

