LTIA: Does it Work?

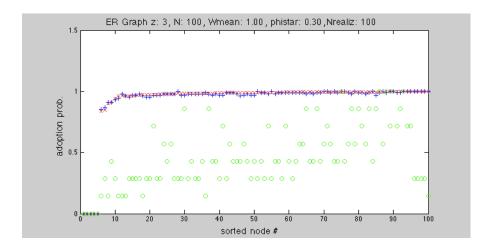
LTIA is exactly true in

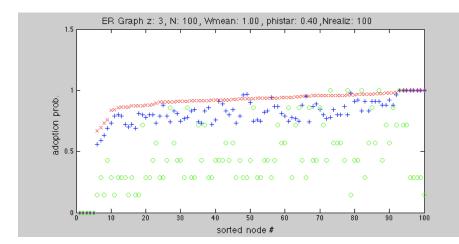
- $N = \infty$ configuration models;
- $N < \infty$ deterministic models.

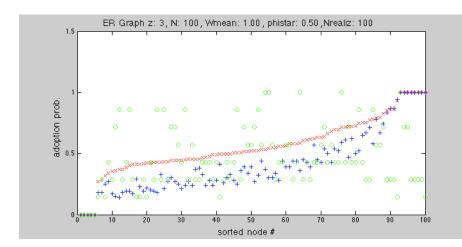
Watts' Model Experiments

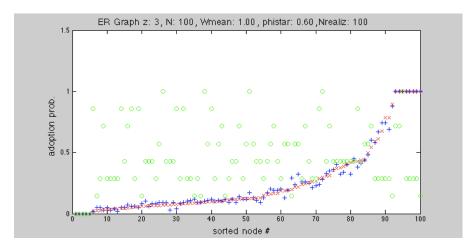
Typical Erdös-Renyi real-world skeleton graphs with N = 100.

- Buffer distributions were log normal with means $0.18 \times k$;
- Edge distributions were log normal with means 1;
- A random subset of nodes "early adopt".
- Analytic formulas (with LTIA) were compared with MC estimators;

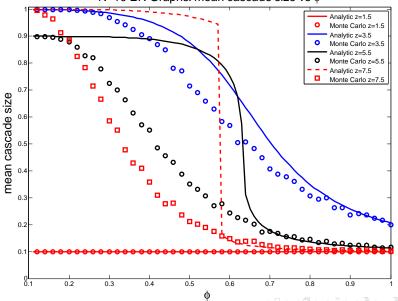




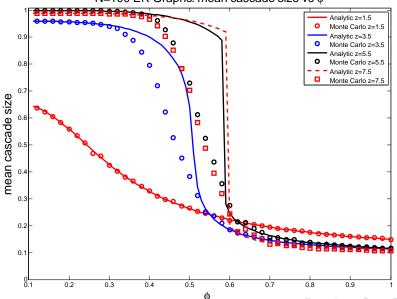




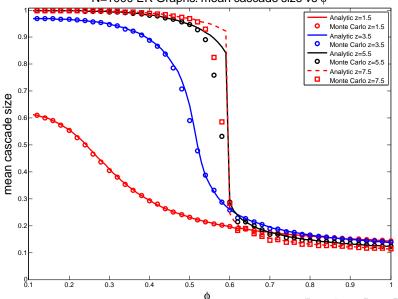
N=10 ER Graphs: mean cascade size vs ϕ



N=100 ER Graphs: mean cascade size vs ϕ



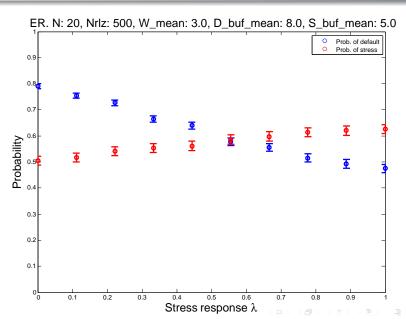
N=1000 ER Graphs: mean cascade size vs ϕ



GK+GHK Model of Illiquidity and Insolvency

- We tested the interplay between upstream illiquidity cascade and downstream insolvency cascade.
- $\lambda > 0$ measures the strength of banks' stress response.
- We are now trying to work with EU network data.

Extended GHK: Stress and Default



A Schematic Europe in 2012



Overall Summary

- We can understand how systemic stability is related to the structure of the network;
- We might be able to learn a lot from "Deliberately Simplified Models".
- Open questions abound.

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