

# Higher order assortativity for directed weighted networks

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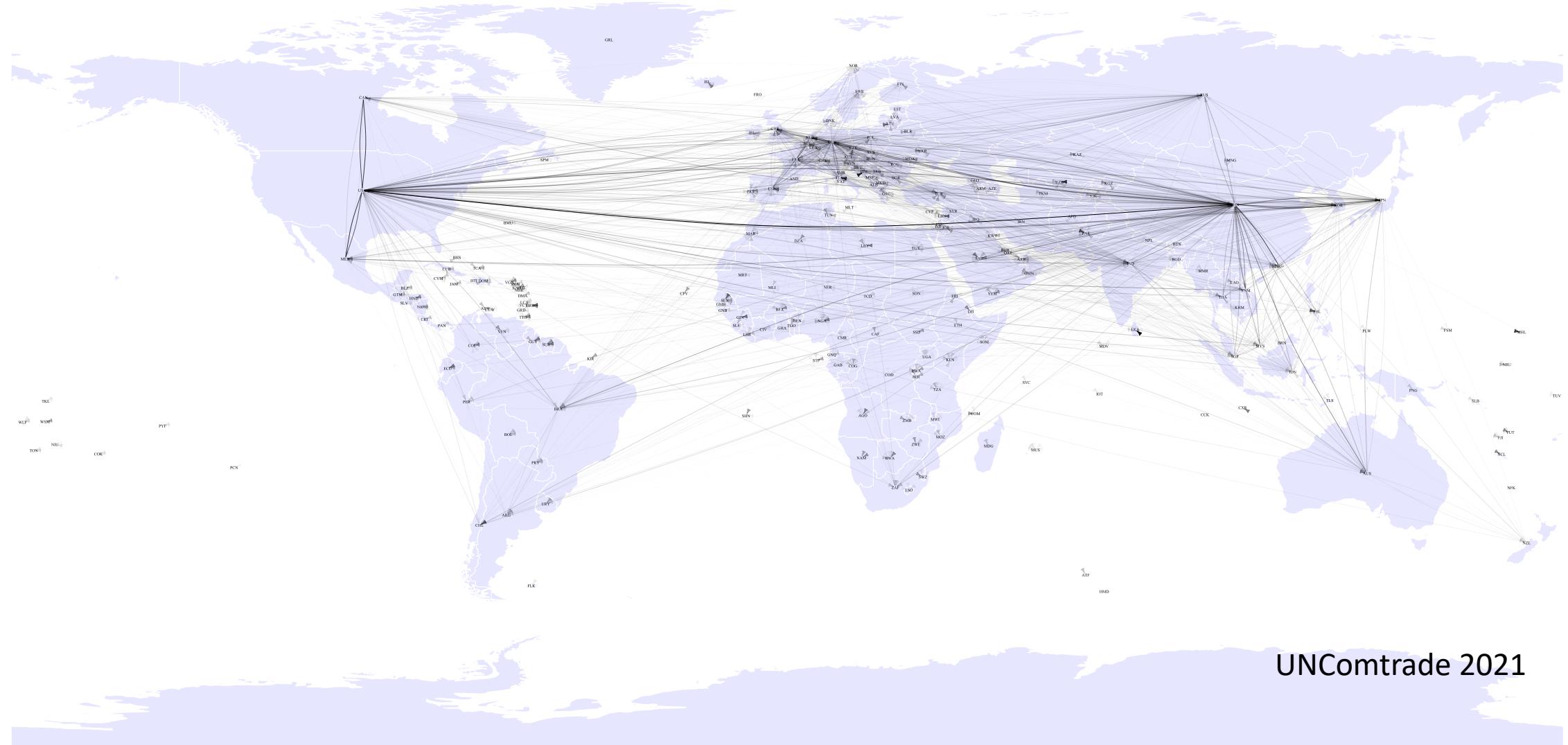
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# Motivating application: world trade network

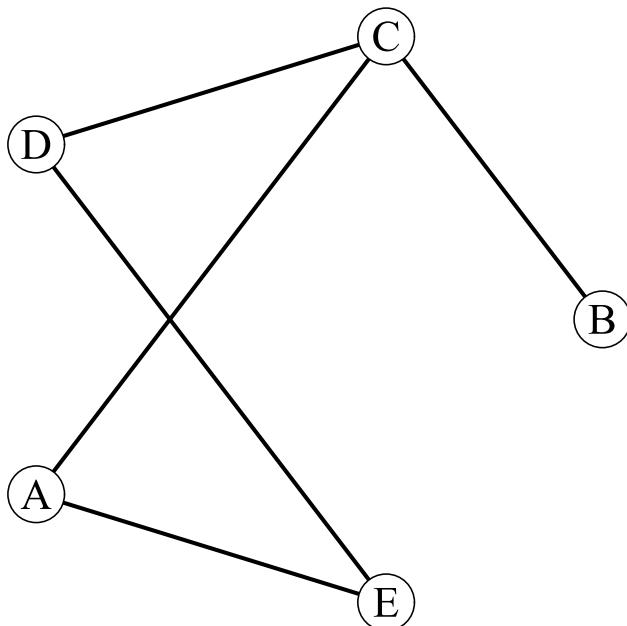


# Assortativity

- Assortativity is a graph metric and describes the tendency of high degree nodes to be directly connected to high degree nodes and low degree nodes to low degree nodes.
- Newman (2002) index for an undirected and unweighted networks

$$r = \frac{\sum_i e_{ii} - \sum_i q_i^2}{1 - \sum_i q_i^2}$$

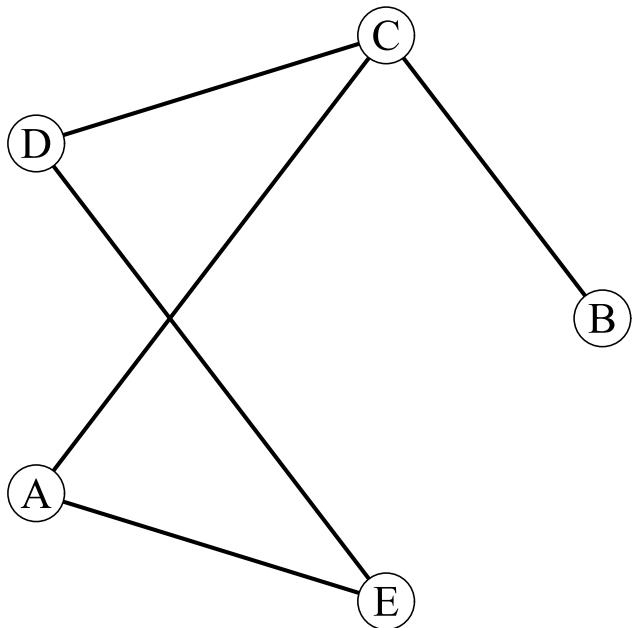
# Adjacency



	A	B	C	D	E	
A			1		1	2
B			1			1
C	1	1		1		3
D			1		1	2
E	1			1		2
	2	1	3	2	2	$2 \cdot 5$

$$\begin{aligned}n &= \|A\|_{1,1} = 2 \cdot |E| \\ \mathbf{d} &= A\mathbf{1} \\ \mathbf{E} &= A/n \\ \mathbf{q} &= \mathbf{E}\mathbf{1} = \mathbf{d}/n\end{aligned}$$

# Degree centrality



Vertex	Degree
A	2
B	1
C	3
D	2
E	2

# Covariance with a joint distribution

$X \setminus Y$	$y_1$	$\dots$	$y_j$	$\dots$	$y_c$	
$x_1$	$\dots$	$\dots$	$\dots$	$\dots$	$\dots$	$n_{10}$
$\vdots$	$\dots$	$\dots$	$\dots$	$\dots$	$\dots$	$\vdots$
$x_i$	$\dots$	$\dots$	$n_{ij}$	$\dots$	$\dots$	$n_{i0}$
$\vdots$	$\dots$	$\dots$	$\dots$	$\dots$	$\dots$	$\vdots$
$x_r$	$\dots$	$\dots$	$\dots$	$\dots$	$\dots$	$n_{r0}$
	$n_{01}$	$\dots$	$n_{0j}$	$\dots$	$n_{0c}$	$n$

$$\begin{aligned}
Cov(X, Y; N) &= \frac{1}{n} \sum_{ij} (x_i - \bar{x})(y_j - \bar{y}) n_{ij} = \\
&= \frac{1}{n} \sum_{ij} x_i y_j n_{ij} - \bar{x} \bar{y} = \\
&= \frac{1}{n} \mathbf{x}' \mathbf{N} \mathbf{y} - \frac{1}{n} \mathbf{x}' \mathbf{n}_X \cdot \frac{1}{n} \mathbf{n}_Y' \mathbf{y} = \\
&= \frac{1}{n} \mathbf{x}' \left( \mathbf{N} - \frac{\mathbf{n}_X \mathbf{n}_Y'}{n} \right) \mathbf{y}
\end{aligned}$$

$$\mathbf{n}_X = \mathbf{N} \mathbf{1}, \mathbf{n}_Y = \mathbf{N}' \mathbf{1}, n = \|\mathbf{N}\|_{1,1}$$

# Covariance with a joint distribution

$x \setminus y$	$y_1$	...	$y_j$	...	$y_c$	
$x_1$	...	...	...	...	...	$q_{10}$
$\vdots$	...	...	...	...	...	$\vdots$
$x_i$	...	...	$e_{ij}$	...	...	$q_{i0}$
$\vdots$	...	...	...	...	...	$\vdots$
$x_r$	...	...	...	...	...	$q_{r0}$
	$q_{01}$	...	$q_{0j}$	...	$q_{0c}$	1

$$Cov(X, Y; N) = \mathbf{x}'(\mathbf{E} - \mathbf{q}_X \mathbf{q}_Y') \mathbf{y}$$

$$\mathbf{E} = \frac{\mathbf{N}}{n}$$

$$\mathbf{q}_X = \mathbf{E} \mathbf{1} = \frac{\mathbf{n}_X}{n}$$

$$\mathbf{q}_Y = \mathbf{E}' \mathbf{1} = \frac{\mathbf{n}_Y}{n}$$

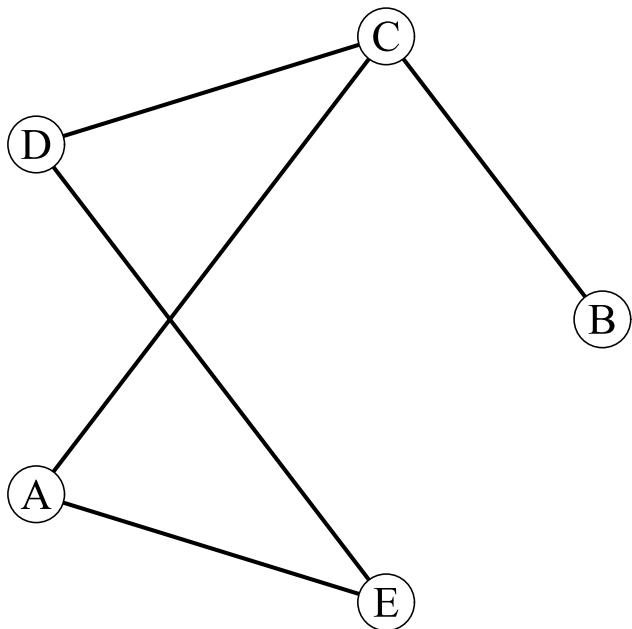
# Matrix notation of variance

$\mathbf{x} \setminus \mathbf{x}$	$x_1$	$\cdots$	$x_i$	$\cdots$	$x_r$	
$x_1$	$n_{10}$					$n_{10}$
$\vdots$		$\ddots$				$\vdots$
$x_i$			$n_{i0}$			$n_{i0}$
$\vdots$				$\ddots$		$\vdots$
$x_r$					$n_{r0}$	$n_{r0}$
	$n_{10}$	$\cdots$	$n_{i0}$	$\cdots$	$n_{r0}$	

$$Var(X; \mathbf{n}_X) = \frac{1}{n} \mathbf{x}' (\mathbf{D}_{\mathbf{n}_X} - \mathbf{n}_X \mathbf{n}_X') \mathbf{x}$$

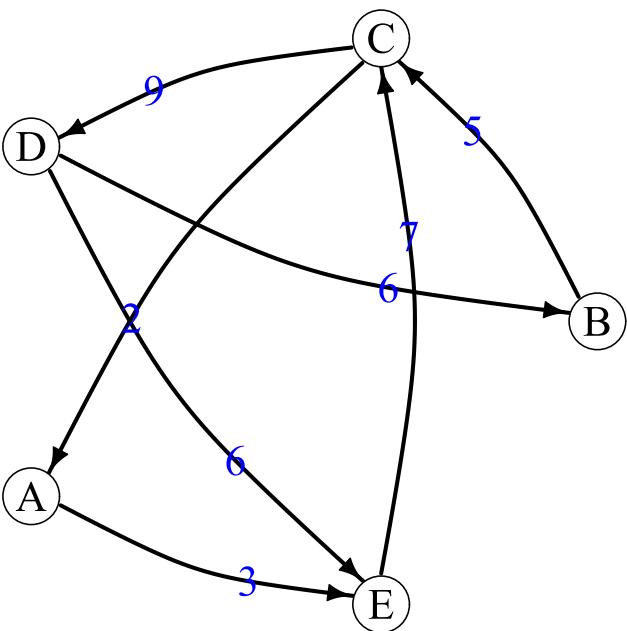
$$Var(X; \mathbf{q}_X) = \mathbf{x}' (\mathbf{D}_{\mathbf{q}_X} - \mathbf{q}_X \mathbf{q}_X') \mathbf{x}$$

# Matrix notation of Newman's index



$$r = \frac{\mathbf{d}'(\mathbf{E} - \mathbf{q}\mathbf{q}')\mathbf{d}}{\mathbf{d}'(\mathbf{D}_q - \mathbf{q}\mathbf{q}')\mathbf{d}}$$

# Directed and weighted networks



	A	B	C	D	E	out
A					3	3
B			5			5
C	2			9		11
D		6			6	12
E			7			7
in	2	6	12	9	9	<b>t=38</b>

$$A = [a_{ij} : w_{ij} > 0 \ \forall ij \in 1, \dots, n]$$

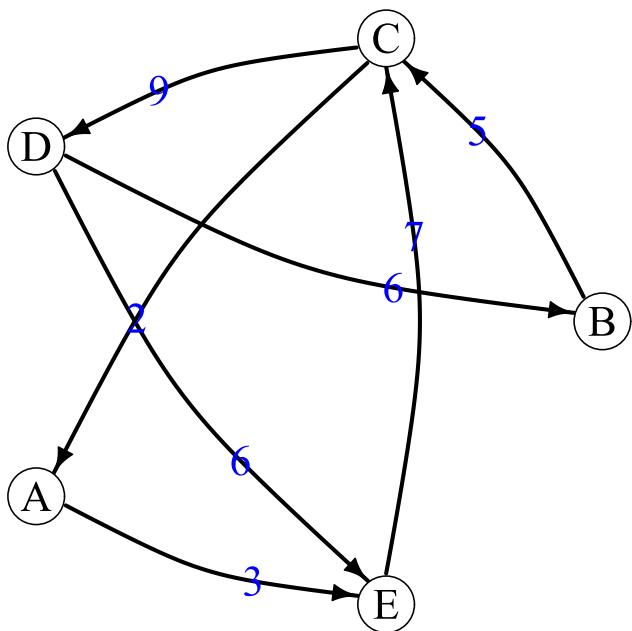
$$t = \|W\|_{1,1}$$

$$\mathbf{s}_{out} = W\mathbf{1}, \mathbf{s}_{in} = W'\mathbf{1}$$

$$E_w = \frac{W}{t}$$

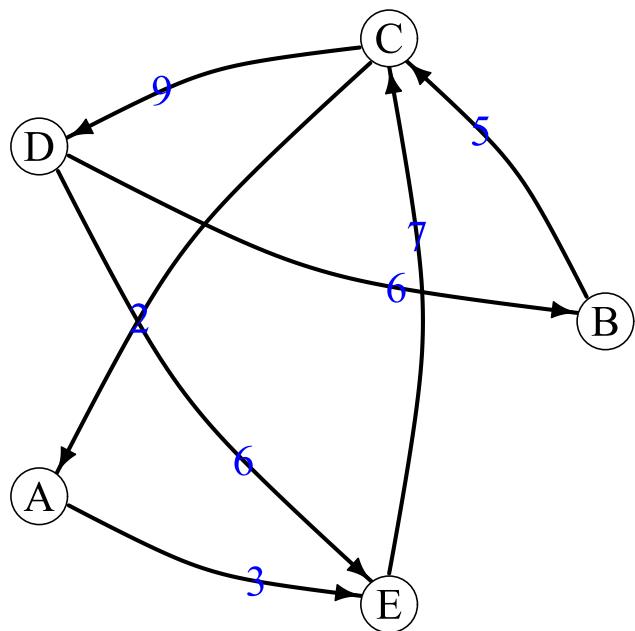
$$\mathbf{p}_{out} = E_w \mathbf{1} = \frac{\mathbf{s}_{out}}{t}, \mathbf{p}_{in} = E'_w \mathbf{1} = \frac{\mathbf{s}_{in}}{t}$$

# In-out degree and strength centrality



Vertex	$d_{in}$	$d_{out}$	$s_{in}$	$s_{out}$
A	1	1	2	3
B	1	1	6	5
C	2	2	12	11
D	1	2	9	12
E	2	1	9	7

# Newman's index for weighted and directed networks



$$r(\mathbf{d}_{out}, \mathbf{d}_{in}|A) = \frac{\mathbf{d}'_{out}(E - \mathbf{q}_{out}\mathbf{q}'_{in})\mathbf{d}_{in}}{\sqrt{Var(\mathbf{d}_{out}|\mathbf{d}_{out}) \cdot Var(\mathbf{d}_{in}|\mathbf{d}_{in})}}$$

$$r(\mathbf{s}_{out}, \mathbf{s}_{in}|A) = \frac{\mathbf{s}'_{out}(E - \mathbf{q}_{out}\mathbf{q}'_{in})\mathbf{s}_{in}}{\sqrt{Var(\mathbf{s}_{out}|\mathbf{d}_{out}) \cdot Var(\mathbf{s}_{in}|\mathbf{d}_{in})}}$$

$$r(\mathbf{d}_{out}, \mathbf{d}_{in}|W) = \frac{\mathbf{d}'_{out}(E_w - \mathbf{p}_{out}\mathbf{p}'_{in})\mathbf{d}_{in}}{\sqrt{Var(\mathbf{d}_{out}|\mathbf{s}_{out}) \cdot Var(\mathbf{d}_{in}|\mathbf{s}_{in})}}$$

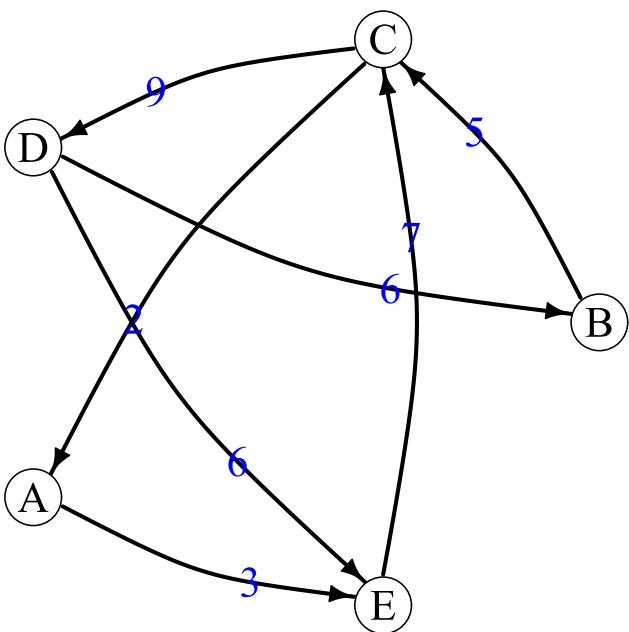
$$r(\mathbf{s}_{out}, \mathbf{s}_{in}|W) = \frac{\mathbf{s}'_{out}(E_w - \mathbf{p}_{out}\mathbf{p}'_{in})\mathbf{s}_{in}}{\sqrt{Var(\mathbf{s}_{out}|\mathbf{s}_{out}) \cdot Var(\mathbf{s}_{in}|\mathbf{s}_{in})}}$$

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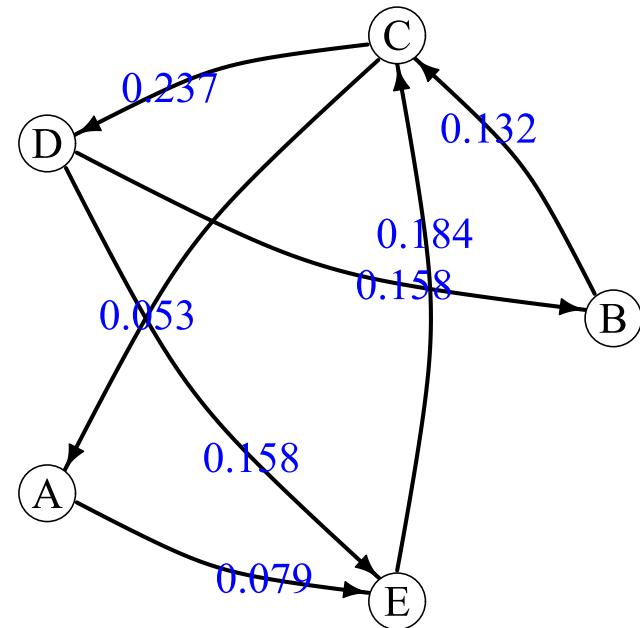
Note:  $r(\mathbf{s}_{out}, \mathbf{s}_{in}|W) \neq r(\mathbf{s}_{in}, \mathbf{s}_{out}|W)$

# Edge sampling

$W$

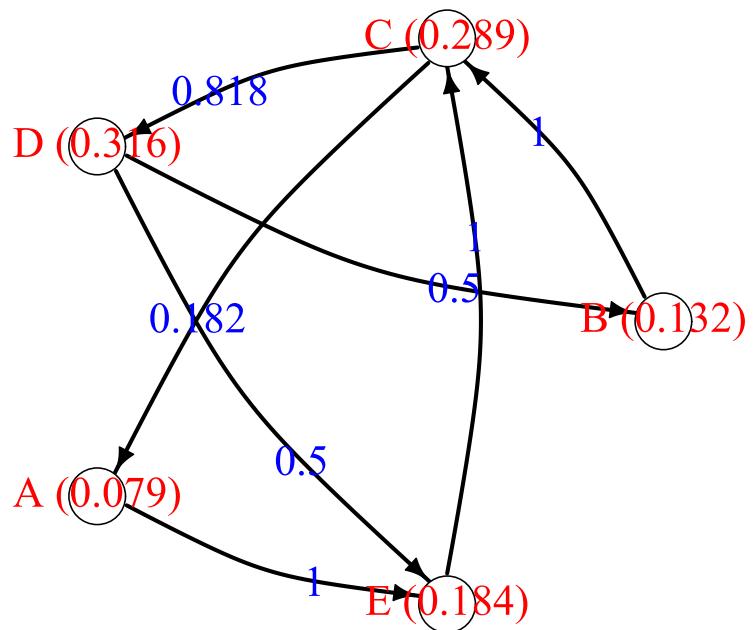


$E_W$



# Random walk

$$E_W = D_{p_0} P$$



$$\mathbf{p}_{out} := \mathbf{p}_0$$

$$E_1 = E_W = D_{p_0} P$$

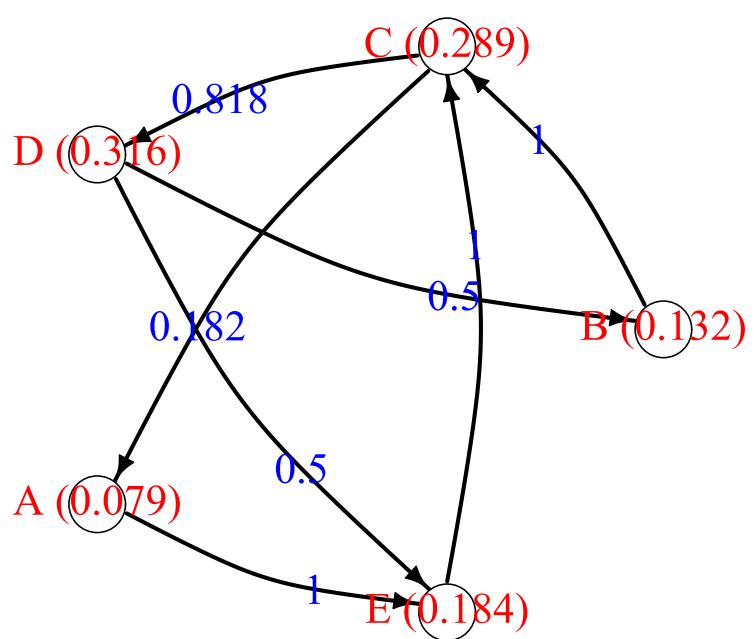
$$E_h = D_{p_0} P_h = D_{p_0} P^h$$

$$P^h \mathbf{1} = \mathbf{1}$$

$$E_h \mathbf{1} = D_{p_0} P^h \mathbf{1} = D_{p_0} \mathbf{1} = \mathbf{p}_0$$

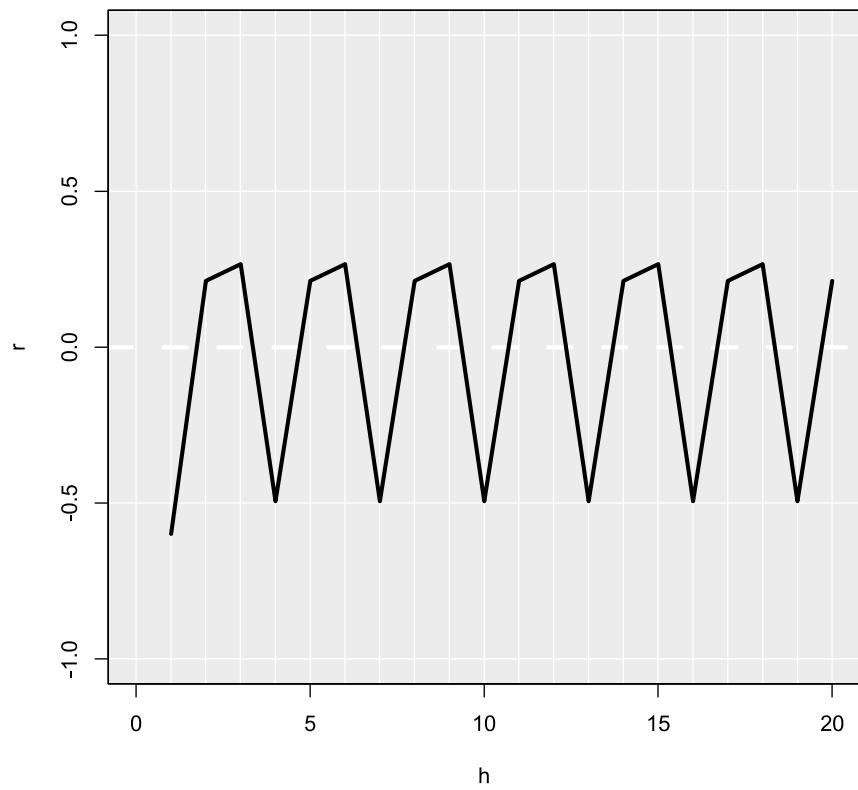
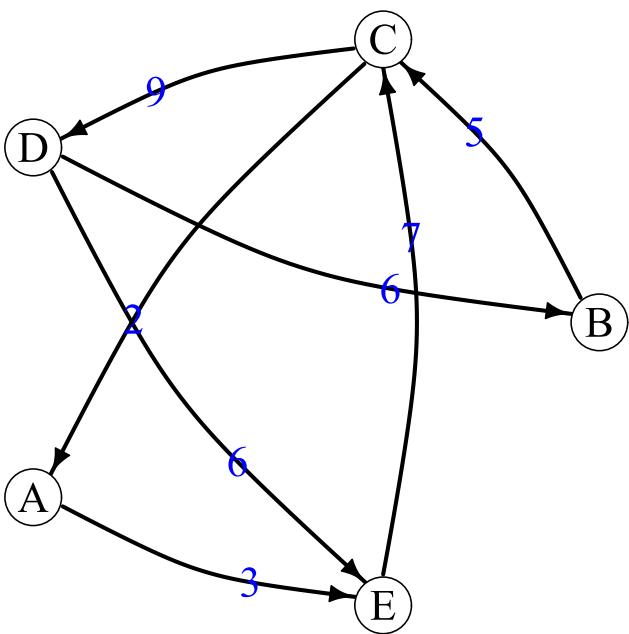
$$E'_h \mathbf{1} = (P^h)' \mathbf{p}_0 := \mathbf{p}_h; \mathbf{p}'_h \mathbf{1} = 1$$

# Higher order assortativity

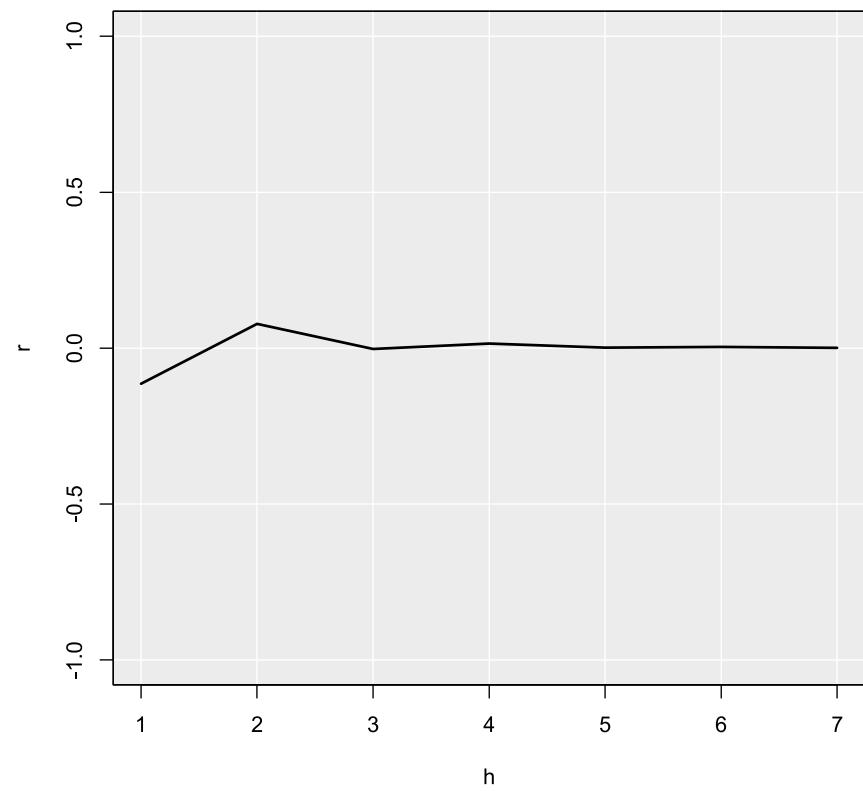
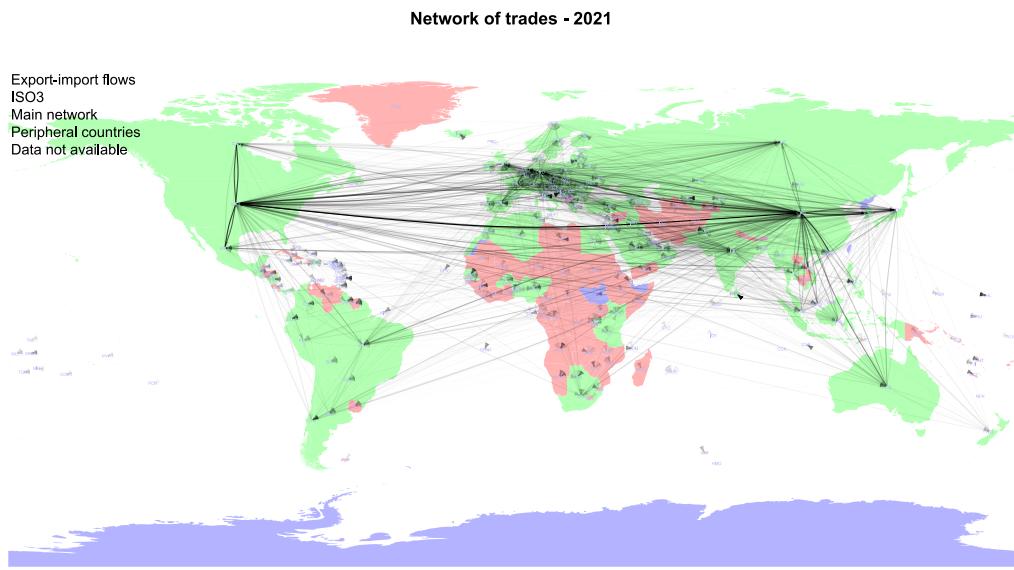


$$r_h(x, y) = \frac{x' (D_{p_0} P^h - p_0 p'_h) y}{\sqrt{Var(x; p_0) Var(y; p_h)}}$$

Higher order assortativity:  $x = s_{out}, y = s_{in}$



# Motivating application: $x = s_{out}, y = s_{in}$



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