#### **Random Annotated Graphs**

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## Outline



- Background and annotated graphs.
- Framework for generating random annotated graphs.
- Evaluation results.
- Conclusions and future work/directions.

## **Topology Generation Background**

- Goal: Generate synthetic network topologies for protocols evaluation.
- Use graphs to represent measured topologies.
- Model growth process or topological properties, e.g., degree distribution.
- Generate synthetic graphs and compare.



## **Annotated Graphs**

- An annotated graph is a graph in which:
  - each link has a single annotation from a finite set of link annotations.
  - links can be directed (asymmetric annotations) or undirected (symmetric annotations).
- Annotated graphs can represent useful network information, e.g.:
  - in router-level topologies, link annotations can represent capacities or latencies.
  - in AS-level topologies, link annotations can represent AS relationships, e.g., peer to peer (p2p), customer to provider (c2p), etc.
- Annotated graphs capture more information than plain (un)directed graphs.





## **Topology Generation Diagram**



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- Background and annotated graphs.
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  - Annotation-aware topological properties.
  - Reproduce annotation-aware properties in synthetic graphs.
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## **Topological Properties**



customer-degree: 3 provider-degree: 2 peer-degree: 1

- Annotation-degrees:
  - customer-degree  $(d_{p2c})$ : number of customers of a node.
  - provider-degree  $(d_{c2p})$ : number of providers of a node.
  - peer-degree  $(d_{p2p})$ : number of peers of a node.
- Joint Annotation-Degree Distribution (JADD): joint distribution of annotationdegrees.
- Joint Degree Distribution (JDD) of p2p (c2p) links: joint distribution of total degrees of connected nodes with p2p (c2p) edges.



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## **Reproduce JADD**



- Generate N random triplets of p2c-, p2p-, and c2pdegrees (d<sup>i</sup><sub>p2c</sub>, d<sup>i</sup><sub>p2p</sub>, d<sup>i</sup><sub>c2p</sub>), 0 ≤ i < N.</li>
- For each degree triplet introduce a node with d<sup>i</sup><sub>p2c</sub> p2c-, d<sup>i</sup><sub>c2p</sub> c2p-, and d<sup>i</sup><sub>p2p</sub> p2p-stubs.
- Perform one random matching between c2p and p2c stubs and one between p2p stubs.
- Extract largest connected component and remove self-loops and multi-edges to get final graph.



## **Reproduce JADD and JDD**

- Generate random triplets of p2c, c2p-, and p2p-degrees (d<sup>i</sup><sub>p2c</sub>, d<sup>i</sup><sub>p2p</sub>, d<sup>i</sup><sub>c2p</sub>), 0 ≤ i < N, and introduce p2c, c2p, and p2p stubs labeled w/ total degrees.
- For each of the three stub-types create a sequence of degrees.
- Join c2p (p2p) and p2c (p2p) sequences into a sequence of degree pairs that reflects c2p (p2p) JDD.
   Each degree pair reflects a disconnected link.
- For each triplet of total degree d, randomly select d<sub>p2c</sub> p2c edge-ends, d<sub>p2p</sub> p2p edge-ends and d<sub>c2p</sub> c2p edge-ends from the set of edge-ends labeled with d and construct a node.



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disconnected

stubs

disconnected

links

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### **Degree distribution**



## Annotation-degree distributions



Real versus generated degree distributions



#### JADD



Matrix scatterplot for measured topology



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## **Conclusions and Future Work**

- Proposed using annotated graphs to model network topologies.
- Described framework to generate synthetic annotated graphs.
- Implemented our framework for generating synthetic AS topologies with synthetic c2p and p2p annotations.
- Outlined evaluation results.
- Work in progress:
  - Richer evaluation and comparison with other generators.
- Future directions:
  - Public release of generator.
  - Generalize to introduce node annotations, which can represent router models, AS types, etc.







## **Questions and publications**

- Towards a Topology Generator Modeling AS Relationships Xenofontas Dimitropoulos; George Riley; Dima Krioukov; Ravi Sundaram IEEE ICNP (extended abstract), 2005.
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- AS Relationships: Inference and Validation Xenofontas Dimitropoulos; Dima Krioukov; Marina Fomenkova; Bradley Huffaker; Young Hyun; kc claffy; George Riley Under submission.
  - http://www.caida.org/publications/papers/2006/as\_relationships\_inference/
- AS Relationships Repository
  <a href="http://as-rank.caida.org/data/">http://as-rank.caida.org/data/</a>

## **Extra Slides**



## **AS relationships**

- AS-level topology of the Internet, i.e., interconnections between ASs.
- AS relationships:
  - are customer to provider (c2p) or peer to peer (p2p).
  - reflect business agreements.
  - determine routing (valley free model).



p2p



## **Simulation Examples**

- Present topology generators do not model AS relationships.
- Simulation artifacts:
  - AS paths are shorter than in reality.
  - Number of alternative AS paths available to an AS is larger than in reality.
  - The traffic load on ASs and AS links is lower than in reality.



AS number	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
AS relationships enabled	12	9	10	8	8	7	9	6
AS relationships disabled	12	13	16	15	13	15	15	13

Number of paths available to each AS

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## **Computing JADD**

- Collect AS topology.
- Infer c2p and p2p relationships.
- Fit JADD:
  - Fit annotation-degree distributions using splines.
  - Model correlations using historical copula data.

### How to produce random pairs from an empirical bivariate distribution?



- Use splines to fit marginal distributions.
- Generate N random number from each of the two marginal models.
- Joint the two degree sequence into a sequence of degree pairs so that these degree pairs respect a given JDD.

# How to join two degree sequences?



- Input: two degree sequences,  $p_i$  and  $q_i$ , of length N.
- Output: one sequence of degree pairs so that these pairs respect a historical JDD.
- Algorithm:
  - Randomly select N degree pairs  $(x_i, y_i)$  from historical data.
  - Map each degree pair  $(x_i, y_i) \rightarrow (R(x_i), R(y_i)) \rightarrow (p_i, q_i)$

