

Scale-free percolation mixing time

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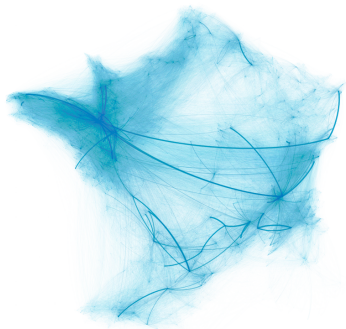
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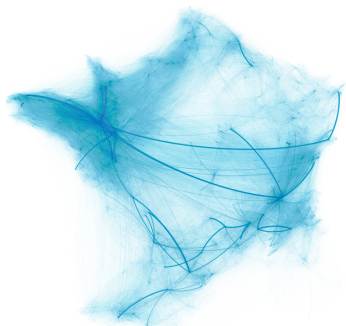


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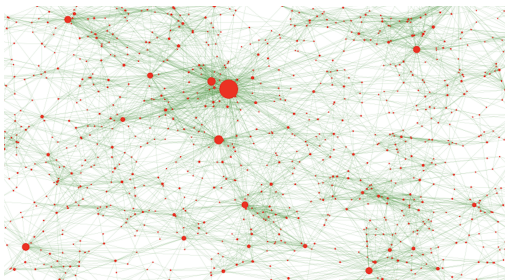
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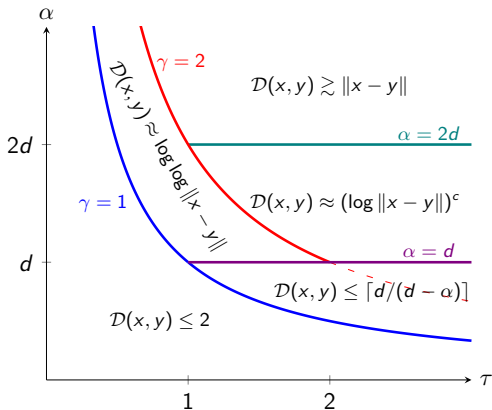
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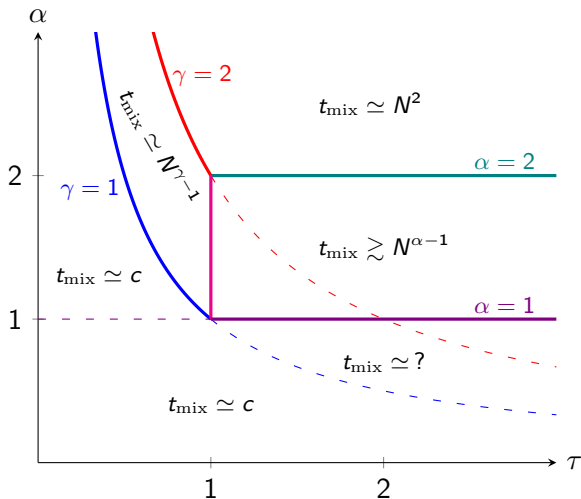
 For long-range percolation (no weights, $\tau = \infty$)

$$t_{\text{mix}}(N) \simeq \begin{cases} N^{\alpha-1} & \text{if } 1 < \alpha < 2 \\ N^2 & \text{if } \alpha > 2 \end{cases} \quad [\text{Benjamini\&al. '09}]$$

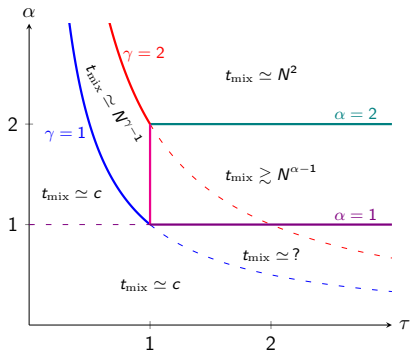
“Small diameter yet large polynomial mixing time”

Main result

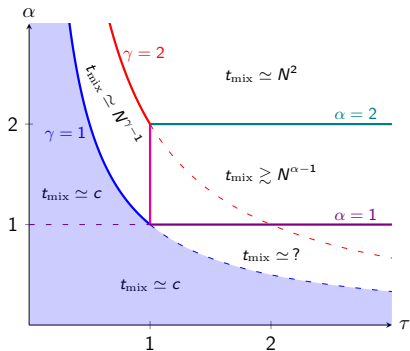
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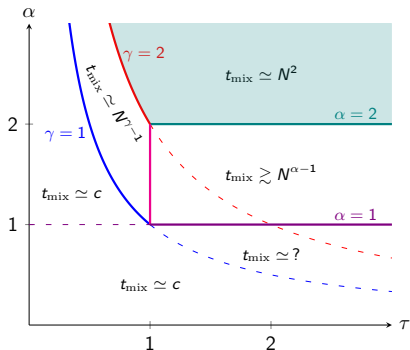
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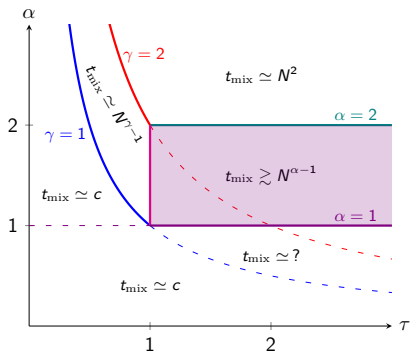
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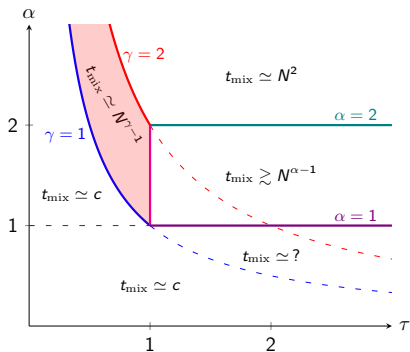
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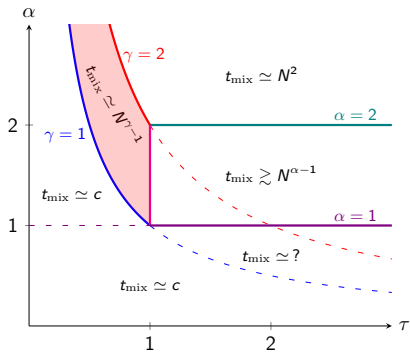
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$\mathbb{E}[D_x] < \infty, \text{Var}(D_x) = \infty \implies$ Hubs speed up the mixing.

Proof of $1 < \gamma < 2, \tau < 1$





Thank you!

