

# Supplementary Information for A loop enhancement strategy for network robustness

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## Appendix

For 10 real networks shown in Table S1, we apply edge-rewiring methods: our proposed methods (BP), a method with smaller degrees instead of smaller  $q_i^0$  of BP (Degree), SP [1], and WuHolme [2]. As a preprocessing, we transform the network data into undirected, unweighted, and no self-loop and no multiple edges, and extract the giant component. In the Figures, we compare the effects on the robustness index  $R_{\text{hub}}$  [3], the approximate size of FVS by Ref [4], and the degree-degree correlations  $r$  [5] versus the number of rewiring. In addition, to show the modifications in the degrees by rewiring in Non-Preserving, we show the gap between the maximum and minimum degrees versus the number of rewiring in original and after rewiring networks.

The robustness and the size of FVS are more strongly related to each other than the degree-degree correlations. There is an exception for Power Grid shown in Figs. S5ac. BP Preserving (denoted by the green line at the left) increases the robustness over the baseline but decreases the size of FVS. We consider that it is caused by a special property of Power Grid with a smaller average degree and maximum degree, but a larger diameter shown in Table S1.

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Network	$N$	$M$	$r$	Min $k$	$\langle k \rangle$	Max $k$	$D$	Figs.	Refs.	URL
AirTraffic	1226	2408	-0.015	1	3.9	34	17	S1, S2	[6]	url
E-mail	1133	5451	0.078	1	9.6	71	8	S3, S4	[7]	url
PowerGrid	4941	6594	0.003	1	2.7	19	46	S5, S6	[8]	url
Yeast	2224	6609	-0.105	1	5.9	64	11	S7, S8	[9]	url
Japanese	2698	7995	-0.259	1	5.9	725	8	S9, S10	[10]	url
Hamster	1788	12476	-0.089	1	14.0	272	14	S11, S12	[6]	url
GRQC	4158	13422	0.639	1	6.5	81	17	S13, S14	[11]	url
UCIrvine	1893	13835	-0.188	1	14.6	255	8	S15, S16	[6, 12]	url
OpenFlights	2905	15645	0.049	1	10.8	242	14	S17, S18	[6, 13]	url
Polblogs	1222	16714	-0.221	1	27.4	351	8	S19, S20	[14]	url

Table S1: Basic properties for real networks after preprocessing. From the left, we note the name of the network, the number of nodes, the number of edges, the degree-degree correlations, the minimum degree, the average degree, the maximum degree, the diameter, figures, references, and available URL to download the data.

# AirTraffic

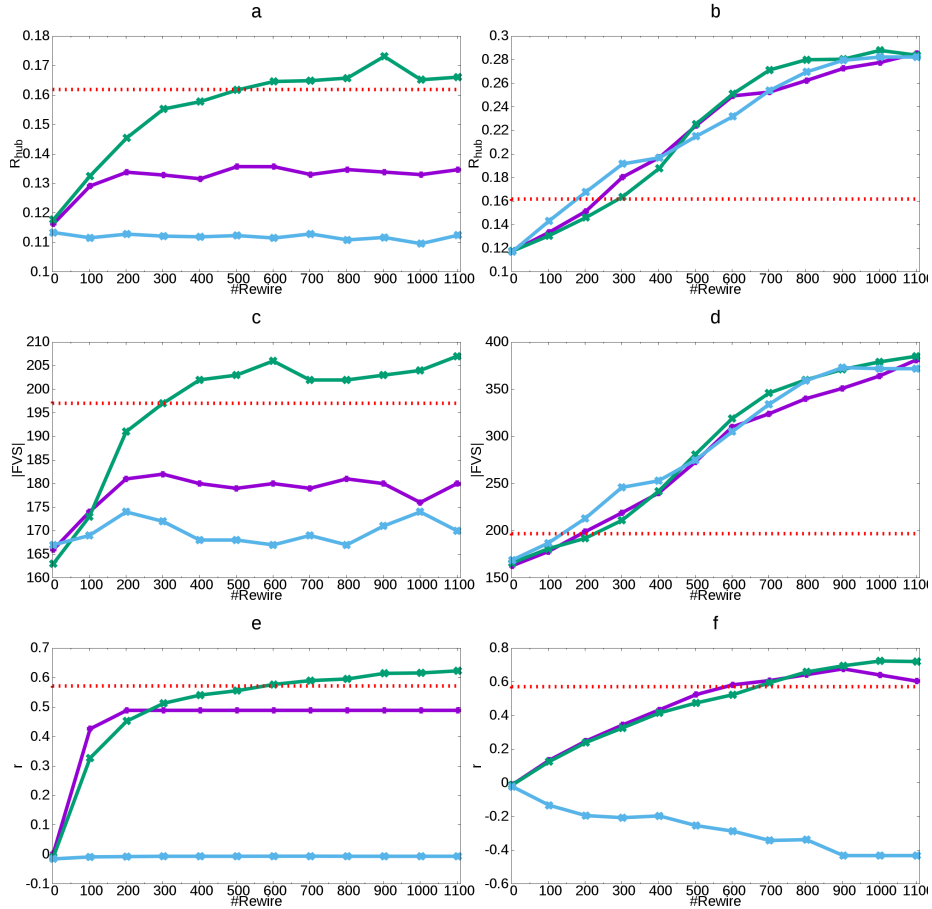


Figure S1: AirTraffic [6]. Comparison of the robustness index  $R_{hub}$ , the size approximate of FVS, and the degree-degree correlation coefficient  $r$  vs. the number of rewiring. (Left: a, c, e) Rewirings in Preserving. Violet, green, and light blue solid lines denote the result by Degree, BP, and SP Preserving, respectively. The red dot line indicates a baseline of the conventional best. (Right: b, d, f) Rewirings in Non-Preserving. Violet, green, and light blue solid lines denote the result by Degree, BP, and SP Non-Preserving, respectively.

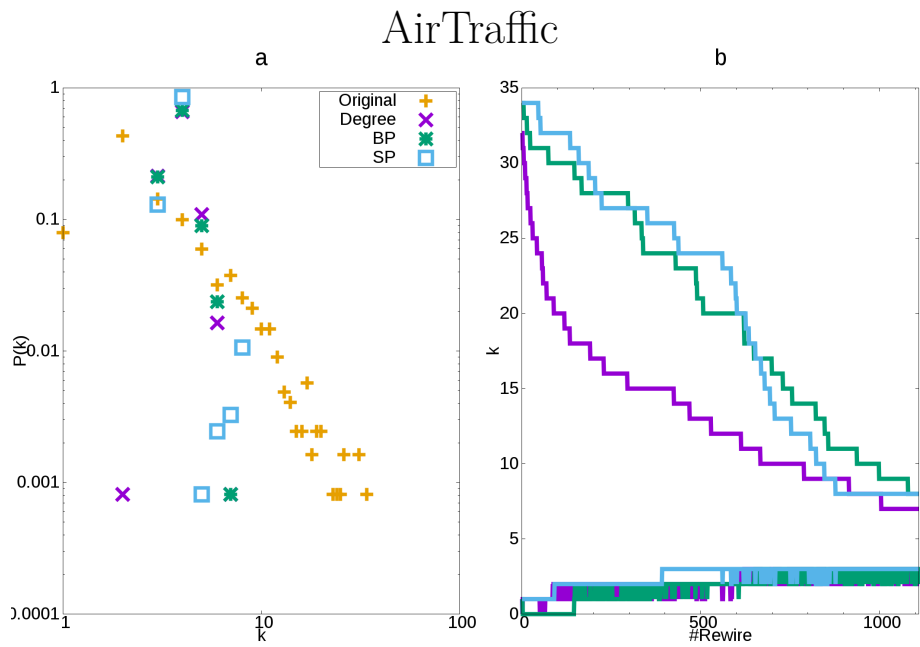


Figure S2: AirTraffic [6]. (a) Degree distributions in original and after rewiring networks, (b) Maximum and minimum degrees vs. the number of rewiring in Degree, BP, and SP Non-Preserving. The above three lines show the maximum degrees. The below three lines show the minimum degrees. Violet, green, and light blue denote Degree, BP, SP Non-Preserving. Orange denotes the original degree distribution.

## E-mail

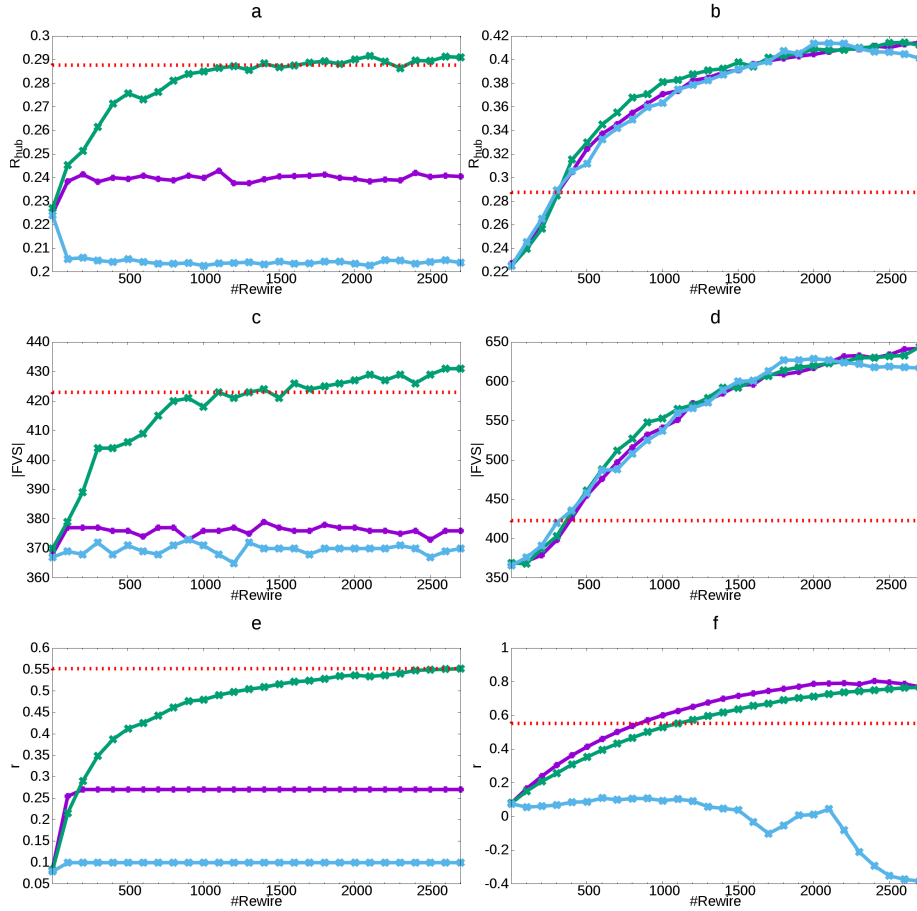


Figure S3: E-mail [7]. Comparison of the robustness index  $R_{\text{hub}}$ , the size approximate of FVS, and the degree-degree correlation coefficient  $r$  vs. the number of rewiring. (Left: a, c, e) Rewirings in Preserving. Violet, green, and light blue solid lines denote the result by Degree, BP, and SP Preserving, respectively. The red dot line indicates a baseline of the conventional best. (Right: b, d, f) Rewirings in Non-Preserving. Violet, green, and light blue solid lines denote the result by Degree, BP, and SP Non-Preserving, respectively.

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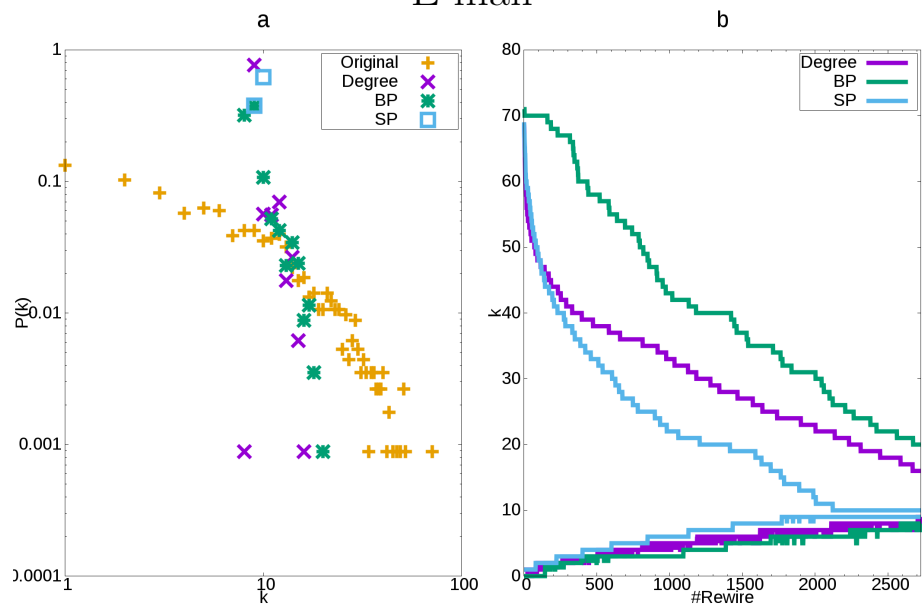


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## Power Grid

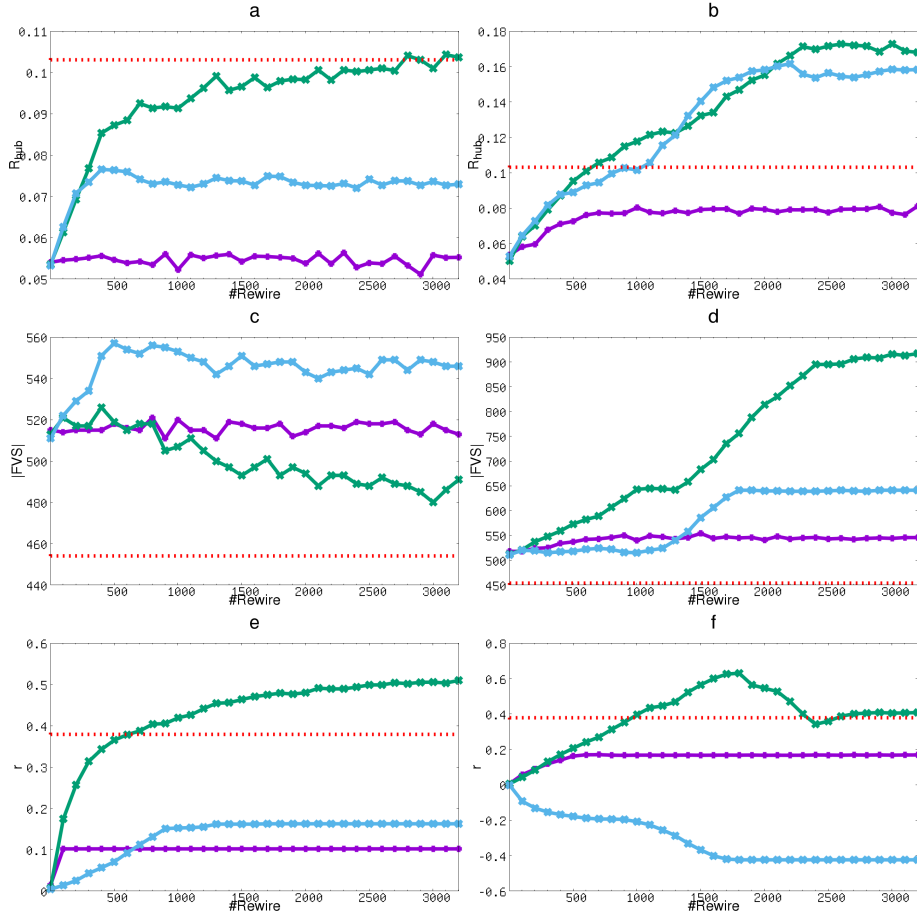


Figure S5: Power Grid [8]. Comparison of the robustness index  $R_{hub}$ , the size approximate of FVS, and the degree-degree correlation coefficient  $r$  vs. the number of rewiring. (Left: a, c, e) Rewirings in Preserving. Violet, green, and light blue solid lines denote the result by Degree, BP, and SP Preserving, respectively. The red dot line indicates a baseline of the conventional best. (Right: b, d, f) Rewirings in Non-Preserving. Violet, green, and light blue solid lines denote the result by Degree, BP, and SP Non-Preserving, respectively.

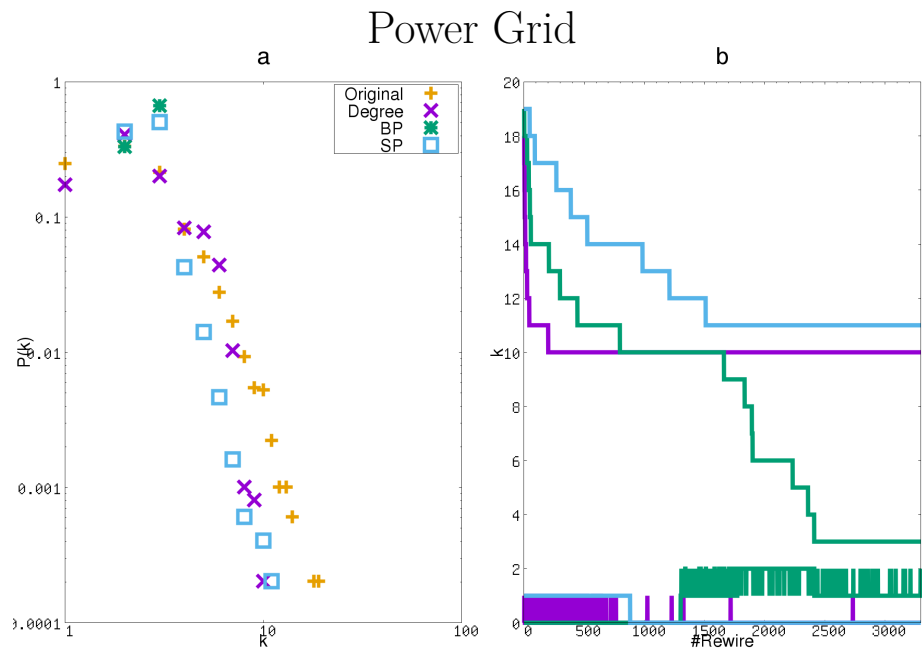


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# Yeast

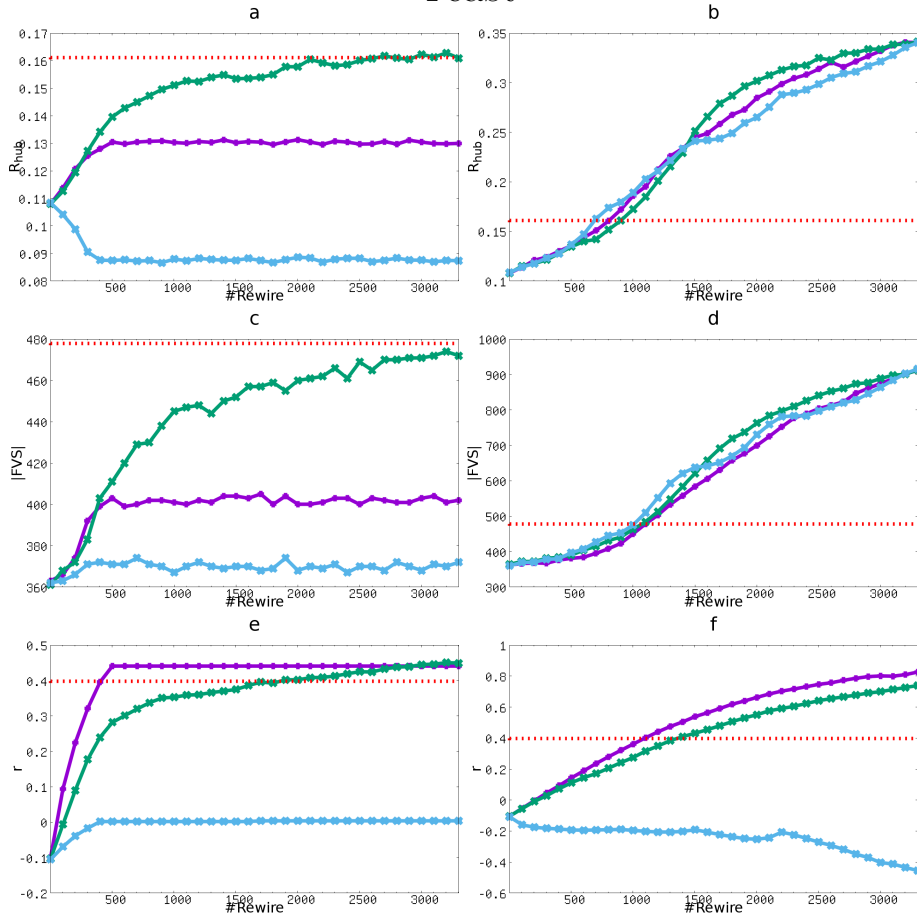


Figure S7: Yeast [9]. Comparison of the robustness index  $R_{hub}$ , the size approximate of FVS, and the degree-degree correlation coefficient  $r$  vs. the number of rewiring. (Left: a, c, e) Rewirings in Preserving. Violet, green, and light blue solid lines denote the result by Degree, BP, and SP Preserving, respectively. The red dot line indicates a baseline of the conventional best. (Right: b, d, f) Rewirings in Non-Preserving. Violet, green, and light blue solid lines denote the result by Degree, BP, and SP Non-Preserving, respectively.

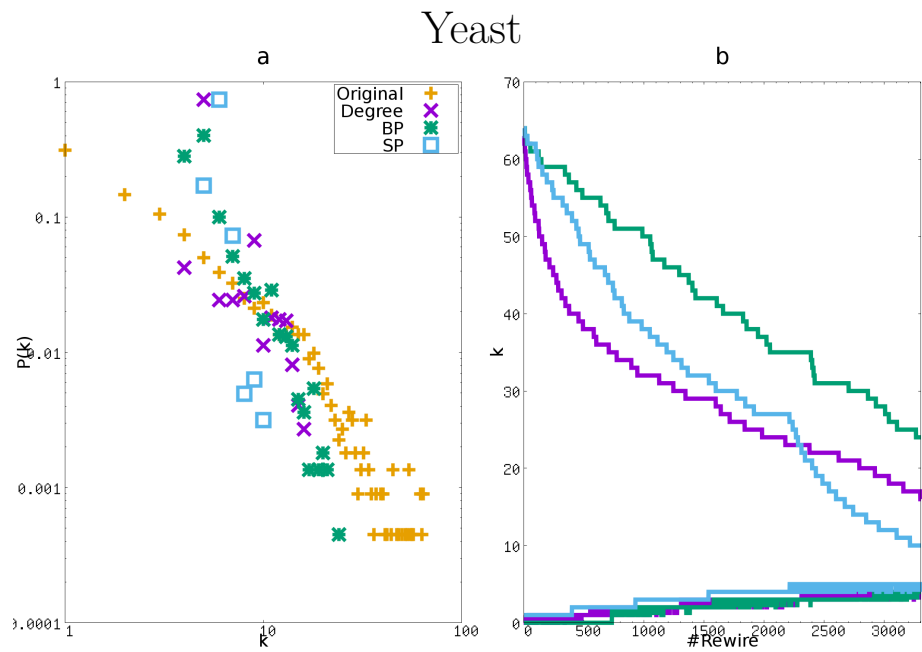


Figure S8: Yeast [9]. (a) Degree distributions in original and after rewiring networks, (b) Maximum and minimum degrees vs. the number of rewiring in Degree, BP, and SP Non-Preserving. The above three lines show the maximum degrees. The below three lines show the minimum degrees. Violet, green, and light blue denote Degree, BP, SP Non-Preserving. Orange denotes the original degree distribution.

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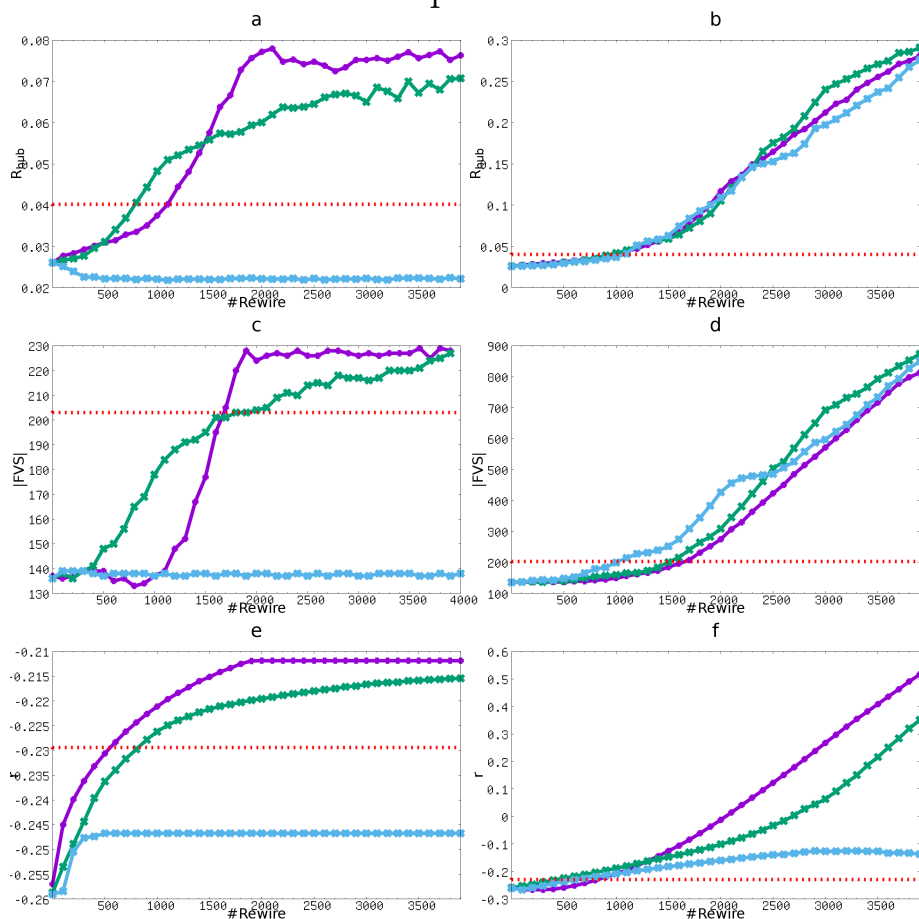


Figure S9: Japanese [10]. Comparison of the robustness index  $R_{\text{hub}}$ , the size approximate of FVS, and the degree-degree correlation coefficient  $r$  vs. the number of rewiring. (Left: a, c, e) Rewirings in Preserving. Violet, green, and light blue solid lines denote the result by Degree, BP, and SP Preserving, respectively. The red dot line indicates a baseline of the conventional best. (Right: b, d, f) Rewirings in Non-Preserving. Violet, green, and light blue solid lines denote the result by Degree, BP, and SP Non-Preserving, respectively.

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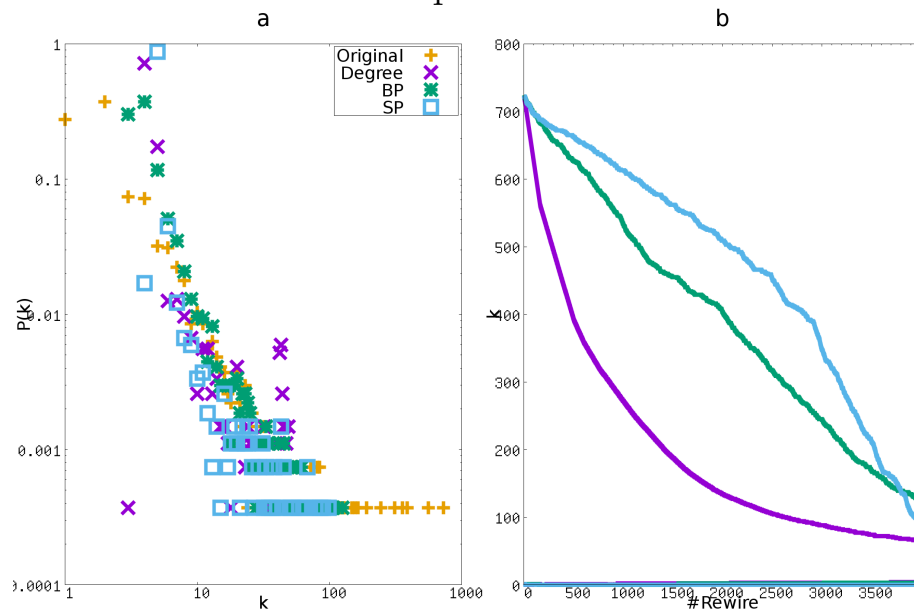


Figure S10: Japanese [10]. (a) Degree distributions in original and after rewiring networks, (b) Maximum and minimum degrees vs. the number of rewiring in Degree, BP, and SP Non-Preserving. The above three lines show the maximum degrees. The below three lines show the minimum degrees. Violet, green, and light blue denote Degree, BP, SP Non-Preserving. Orange denotes the original degree distribution.

# Hamster

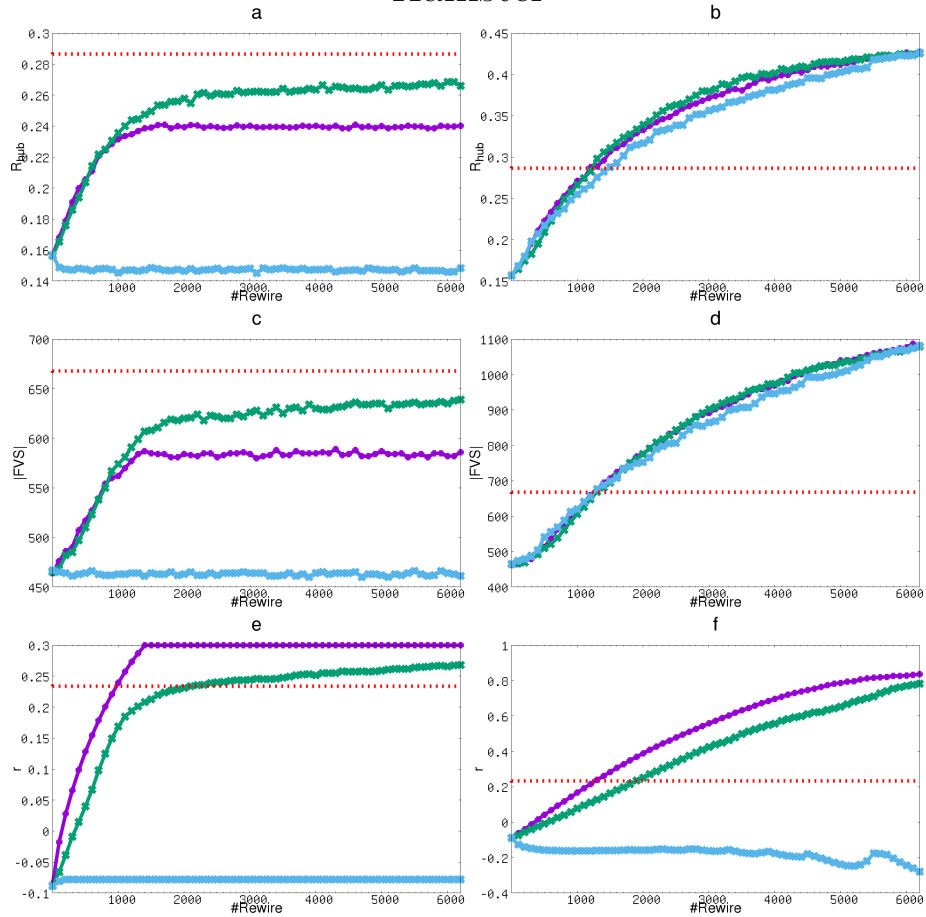


Figure S11: Hamster [6]. Comparison of the robustness index  $R_{\text{hub}}$ , the size approximate of FVS, and the degree-degree correlation coefficient  $r$  vs. the number of rewiring. (Left: a, c, e) Rewirings in Preserving. Violet, green, and light blue solid lines denote the result by Degree, BP, and SP Preserving, respectively. The red dot line indicates a baseline of the conventional best. (Right: b, d, f) Rewirings in Non-Preserving. Violet, green, and light blue solid lines denote the result by Degree, BP, and SP Non-Preserving, respectively.

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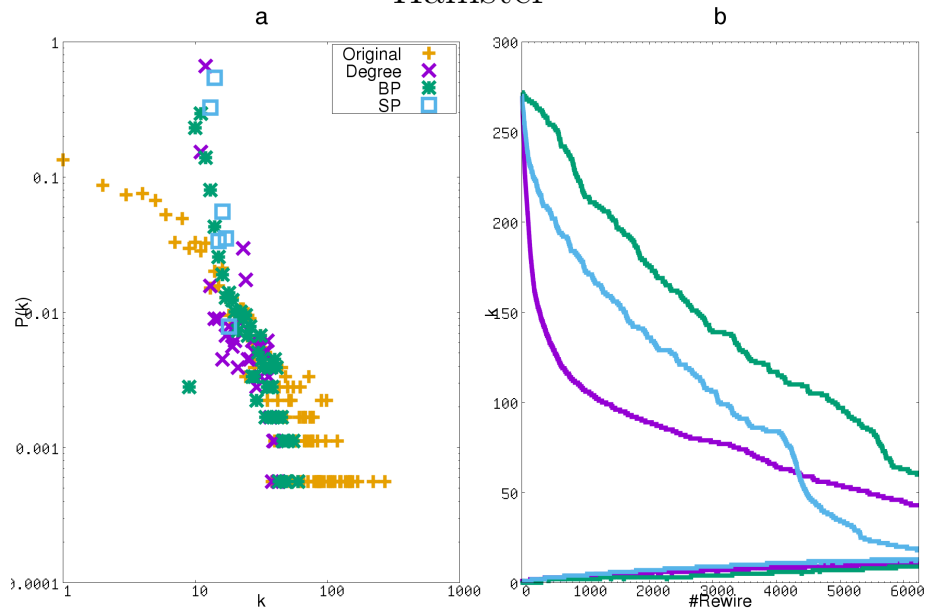


Figure S12: Hamster [6]. (a) Degree distributions in original and after rewiring networks, (b) Maximum and minimum degrees vs. the number of rewiring in Degree, BP, and SP Non-Preserving. The above three lines show the maximum degrees. The below three lines show the minimum degrees. Violet, green, and light blue denote Degree, BP, SP Non-Preserving. Orange denotes the original degree distribution.

# GRQC

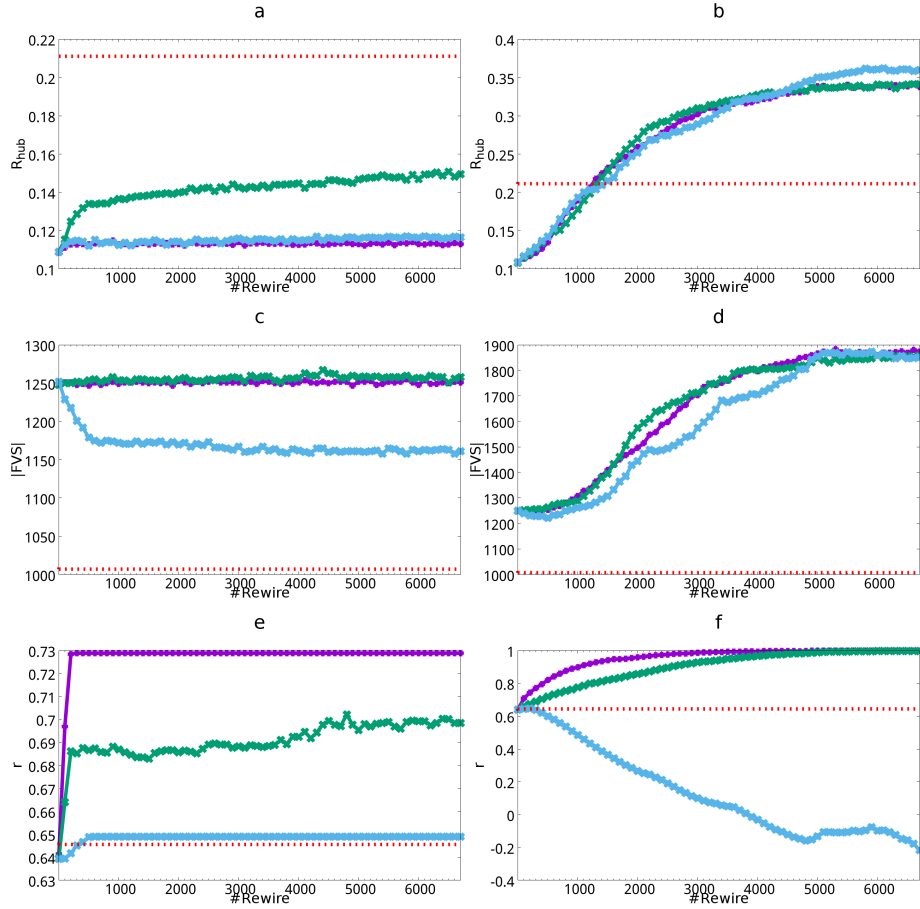


Figure S13: GRQC [11]. Comparison of the robustness index  $R_{\text{hub}}$ , the size approximate of FVS, and the degree-degree correlation coefficient  $r$  vs. the number of rewiring. (Left: a, c, e) Rewirings in Preserving. Violet, green, and light blue solid lines denote the result by Degree, BP, and SP Preserving, respectively. The red dot line indicates a baseline of the conventional best. (Right: b, d, f) Rewirings in Non-Preserving. Violet, green, and light blue solid lines denote the result by Degree, BP, and SP Non-Preserving, respectively.

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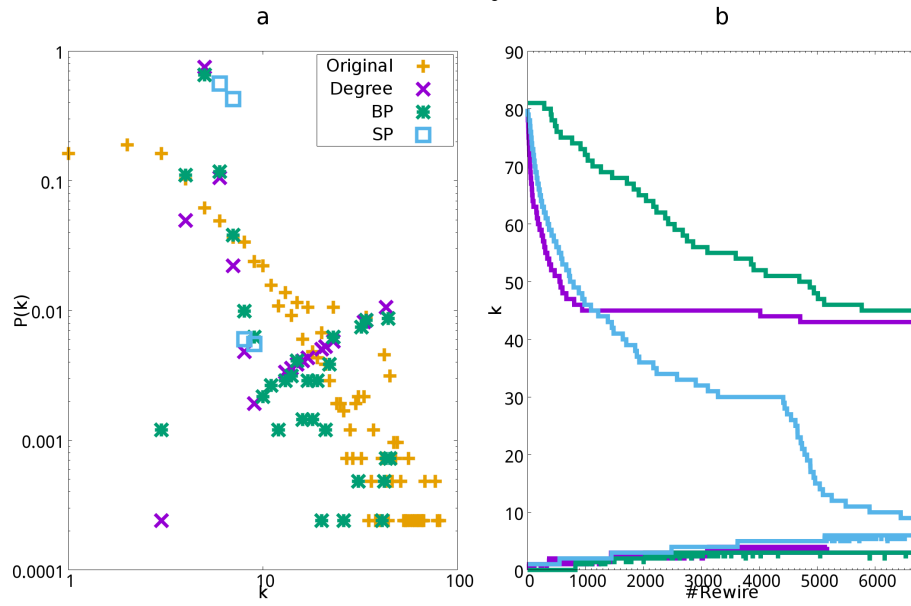


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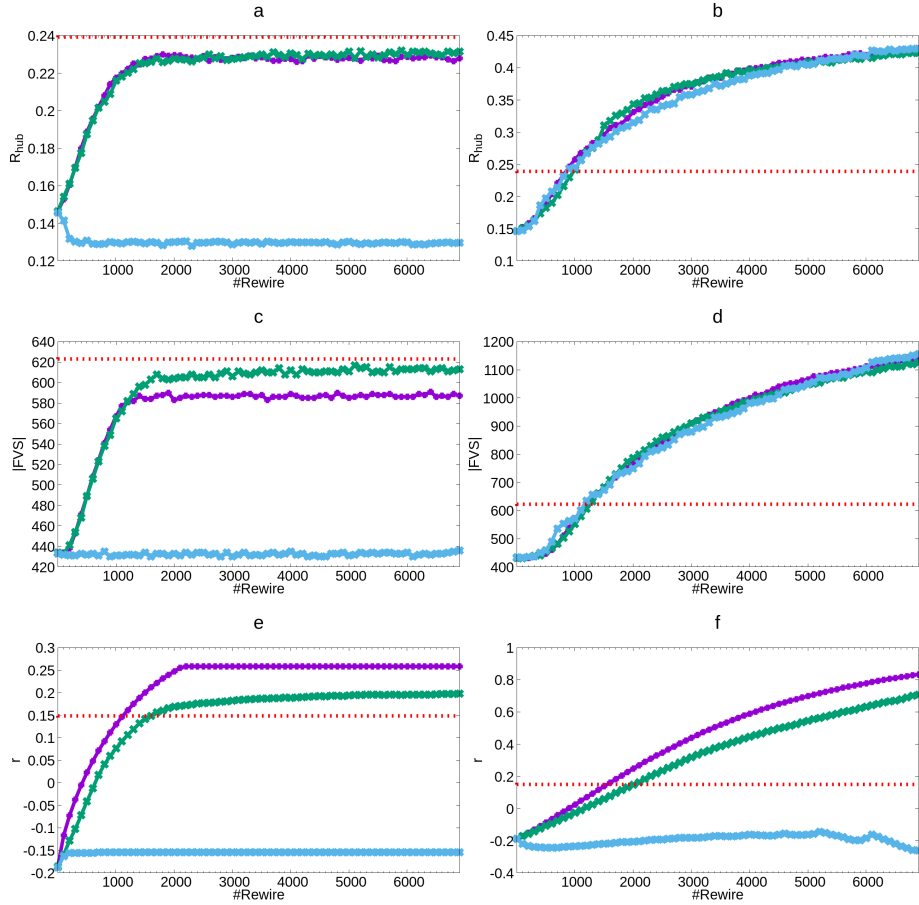


Figure S15: UCIrvine [6, 12]. Comparison of the robustness index  $R_{\text{hub}}$ , the size approximate of FVS, and the degree-degree correlation coefficient  $r$  vs. the number of rewiring. (Left: a, c, e) Rewirings in Preserving. Violet, green, and light blue solid lines denote the result by Degree, BP, and SP Preserving, respectively. The red dot line indicates a baseline of the conventional best. (Right: b, d, f) Rewirings in Non-Preserving. Violet, green, and light blue solid lines denote the result by Degree, BP, and SP Non-Preserving, respectively.

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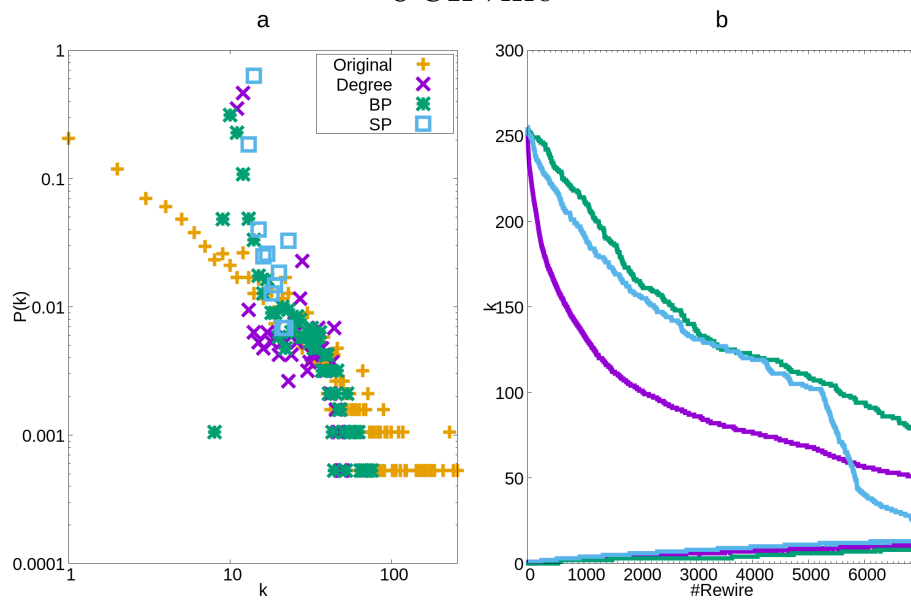


Figure S16: UCIrvine [6, 12]. (a) Degree distributions in original and after rewiring networks, (b) Maximum and minimum degrees vs. the number of rewiring in Degree, BP, and SP Non-Preserving. The above three lines show the maximum degrees. The below three lines show the minimum degrees. Violet, green, and light blue denote Degree, BP, SP Non-Preserving. Orange denotes the original degree distribution.

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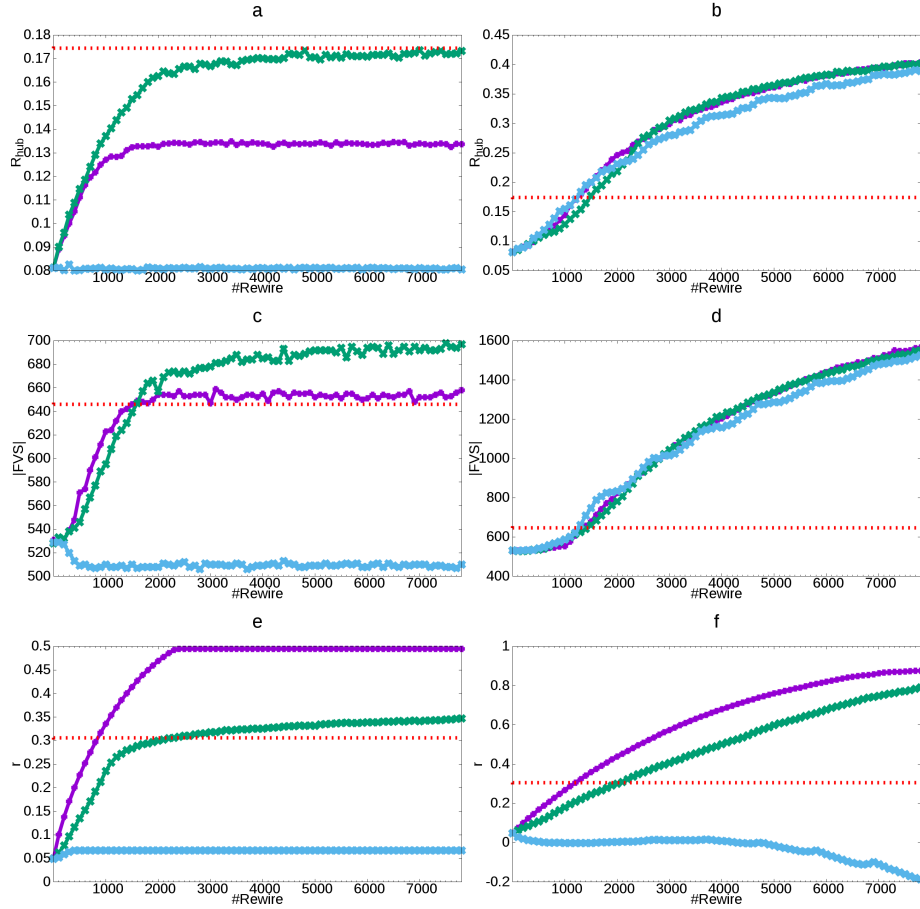


Figure S17: OpenFlights [6, 13]. Comparison of the robustness index  $R_{\text{hub}}$ , the size approximate of FVS, and the degree-degree correlation coefficient  $r$  vs. the number of rewiring. (Left: a, c, e) Rewirings in Preserving. Violet, green, and light blue solid lines denote the result by Degree, BP, and SP Preserving, respectively. The red dot line indicates a baseline of the conventional best. (Right: b, d, f) Rewirings in Non-Preserving. Violet, green, and light blue solid lines denote the result by Degree, BP, and SP Non-Preserving, respectively.

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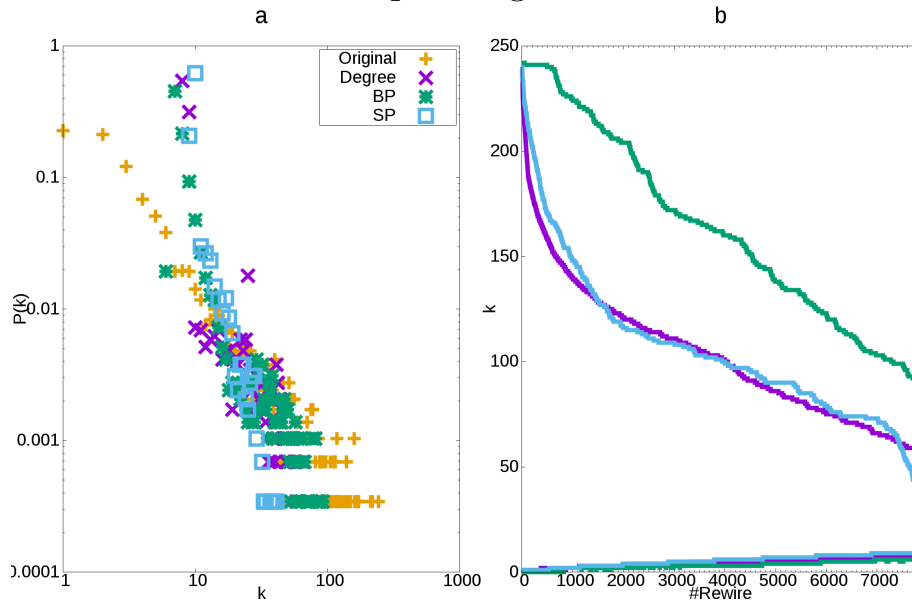


Figure S18: OpenFlights [6, 13]. (a) Degree distributions in original and after rewiring networks, (b) Maximum and minimum degrees vs. the number of rewiring in Degree, BP, and SP Non-Preserving. The above three lines show the maximum degrees. The below three lines show the minimum degrees. Violet, green, and light blue denote Degree, BP, SP Non-Preserving. Orange denotes the original degree distribution.

## PolBlogs

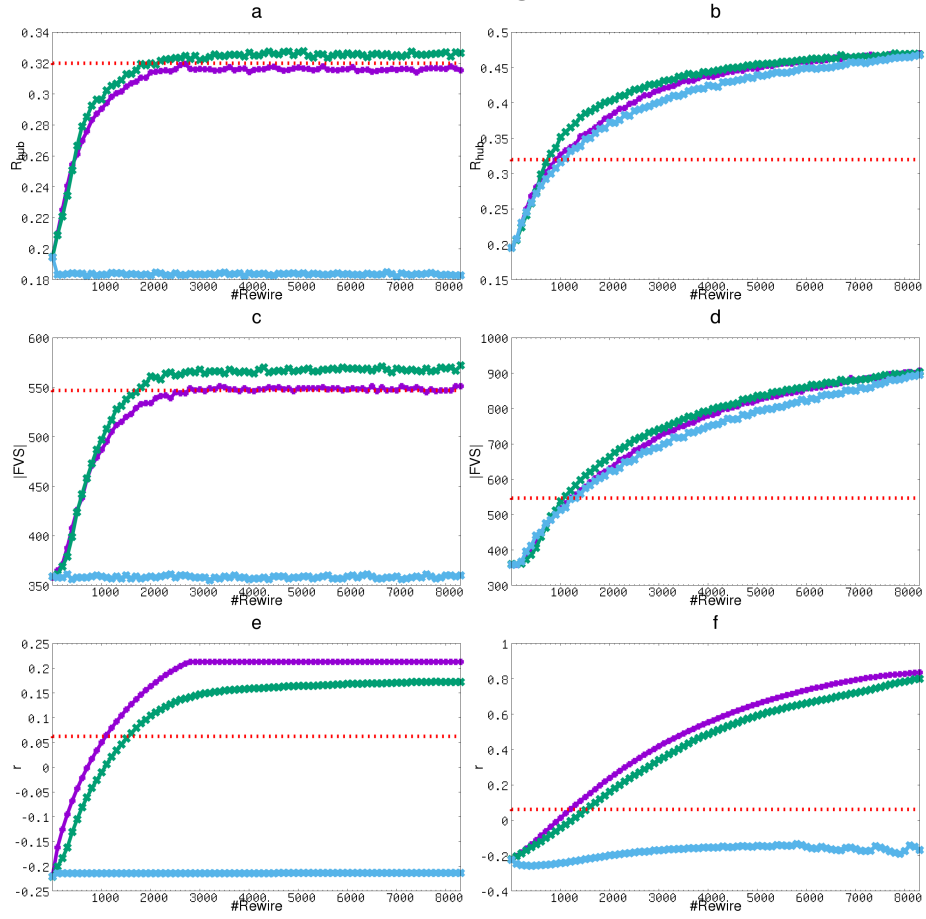


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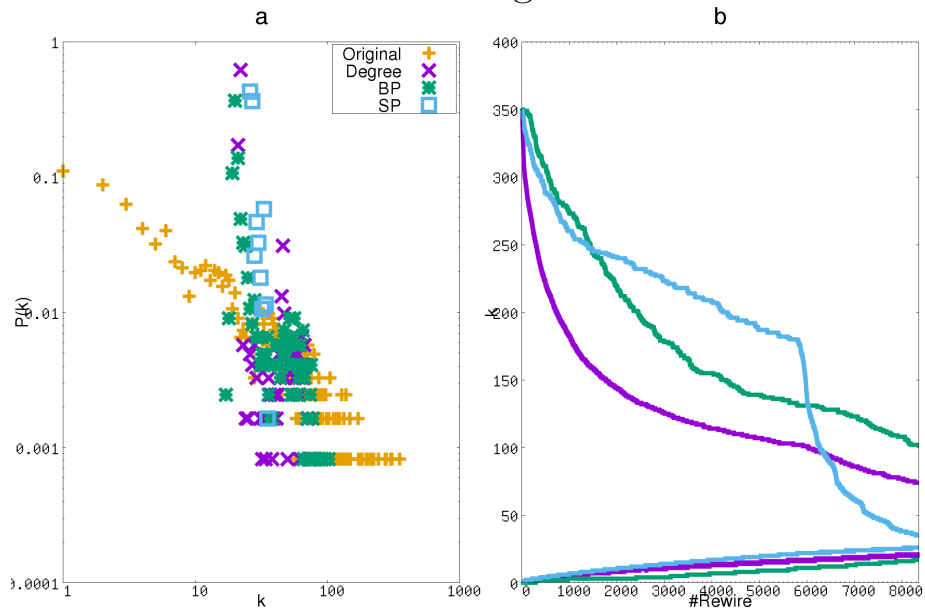


Figure S20: PolBlogs [14]. (a) Degree distributions in original and after rewiring networks, (b) Maximum and minimum degrees vs. the number of rewiring in Degree, BP, and SP Non-Preserving. The above three lines show the maximum degrees. The below three lines show the minimum degrees. Violet, green, and light blue denote Degree, BP, SP Non-Preserving. Orange denotes the original degree distribution.

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