



A era da complexidade

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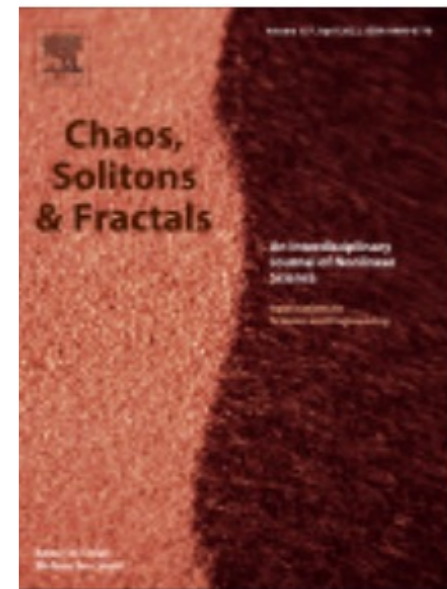
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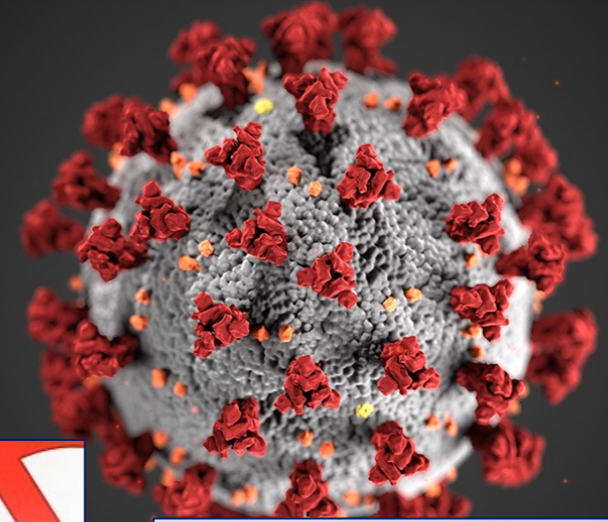
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Complex system

A complex system is made of many connected elements presenting emergent properties, like collective behavior, universality and adaptation.

The whole is more than the sum of its parts.



Complex system



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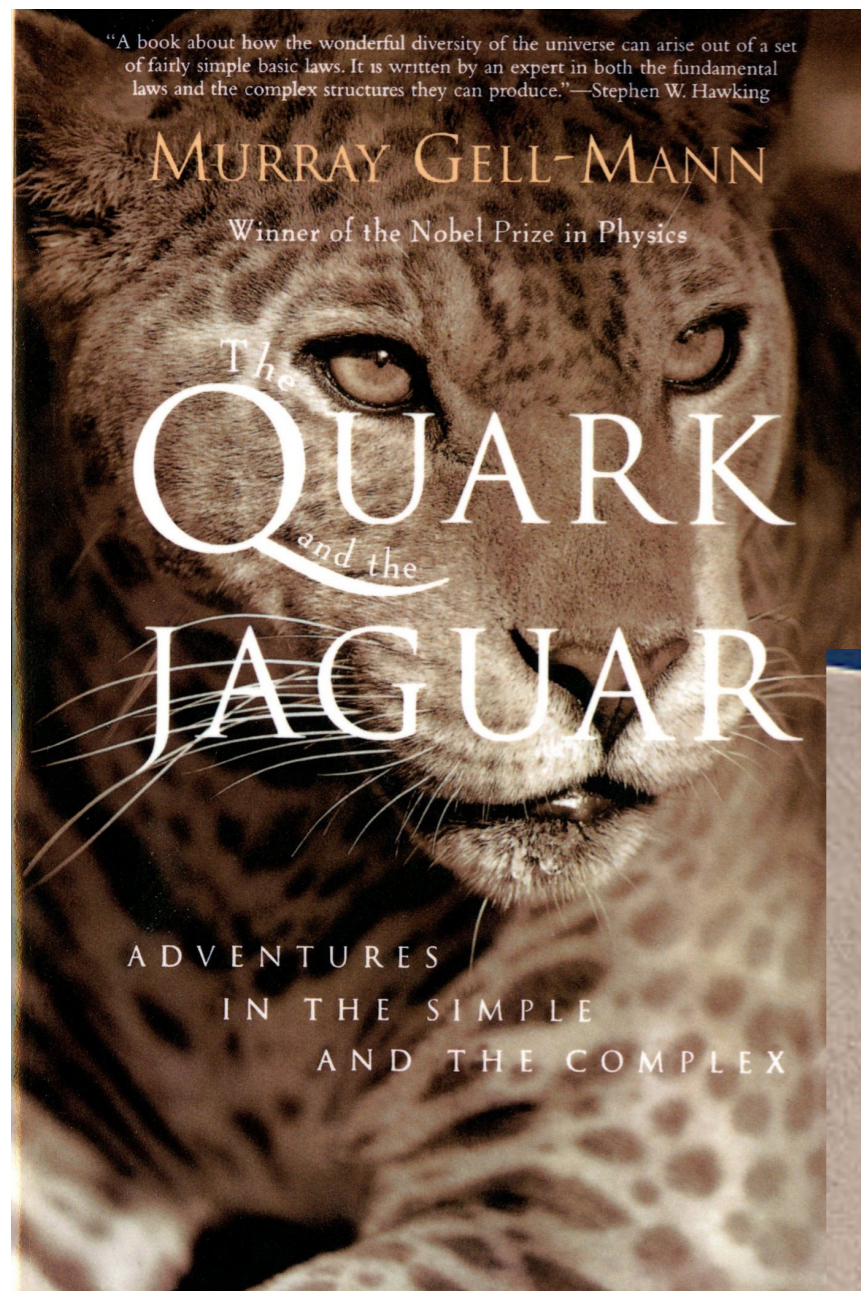


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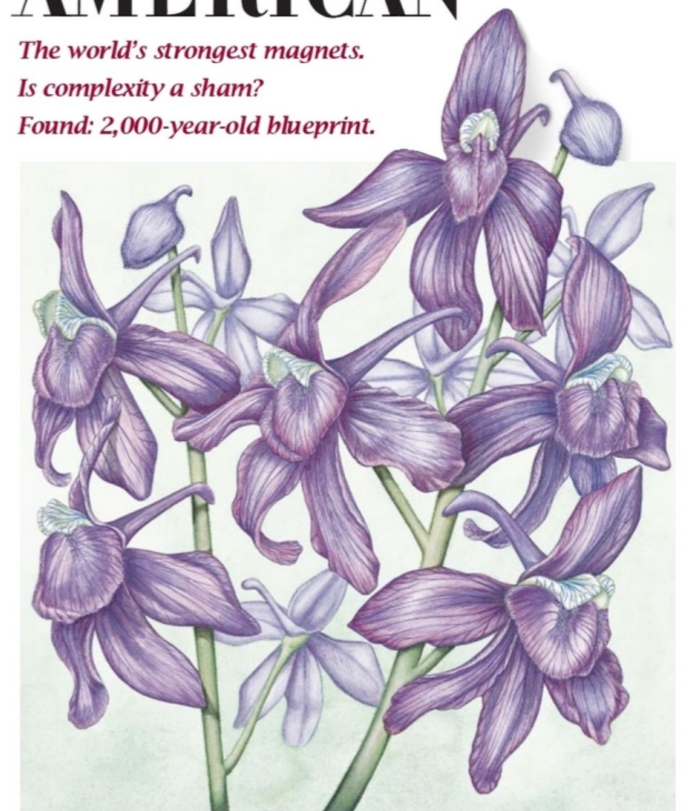


Murray Gell-Mann



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*The world's strongest magnets.
Is complexity a sham?
Found: 2,000-year-old blueprint.*



Picky wildflowers choose which pollen to accept.

1995: A complexidade é uma farsa?

História...

A era das redes

Collective dynamics of 'small-world' networks

Duncan J. Watts* & Steven H. Strogatz

*Department of Theoretical and Applied Mechanics, Kimball Hall,
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Nature, 1998



Emergence of Scaling in Random Networks

Albert-László Barabási* and Réka Albert

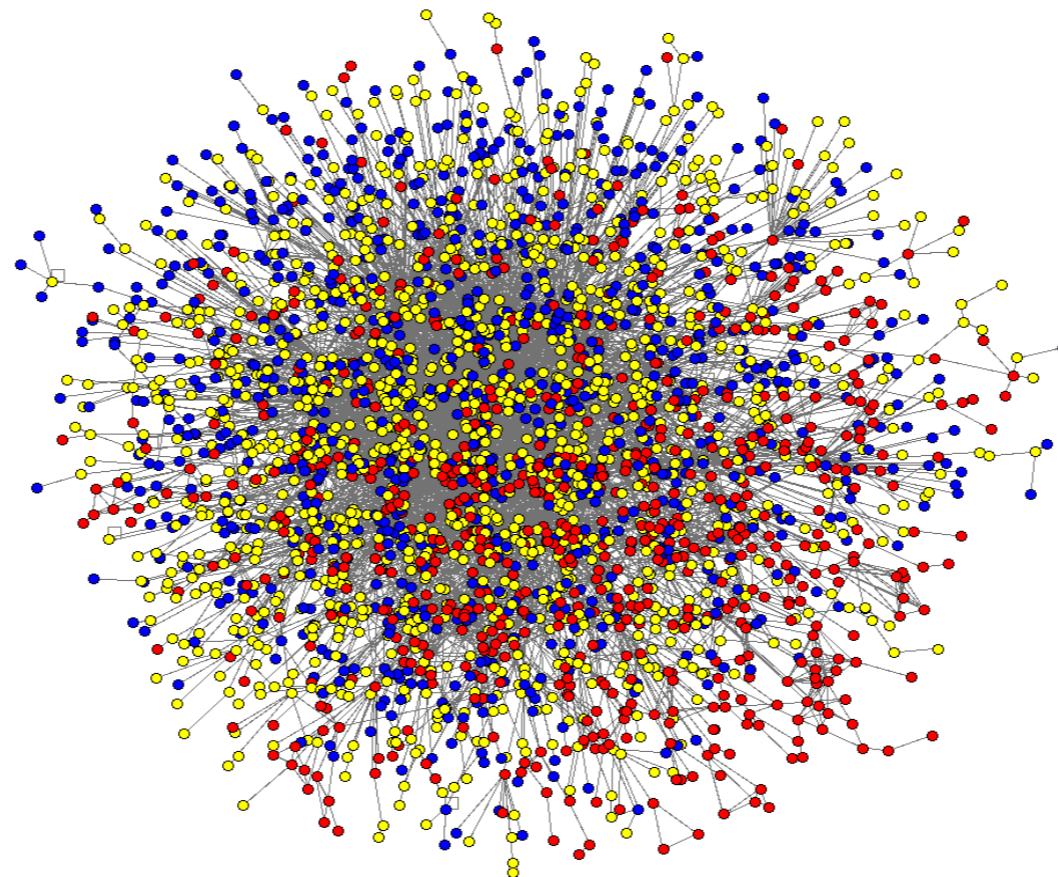
Systems as diverse as genetic networks or the World Wide Web are best described as networks with complex topology. A common property of many large networks is that the vertex connectivities follow a scale-free power-law distribution. This feature was found to be a consequence of two generic mechanisms: (i) networks expand continuously by the addition of new vertices, and (ii) new vertices attach preferentially to sites that are already well connected. A model based on these two ingredients reproduces the observed stationary scale-free distributions, which indicates that the development of large networks is governed by robust self-organizing phenomena that go beyond the particulars of the individual systems.

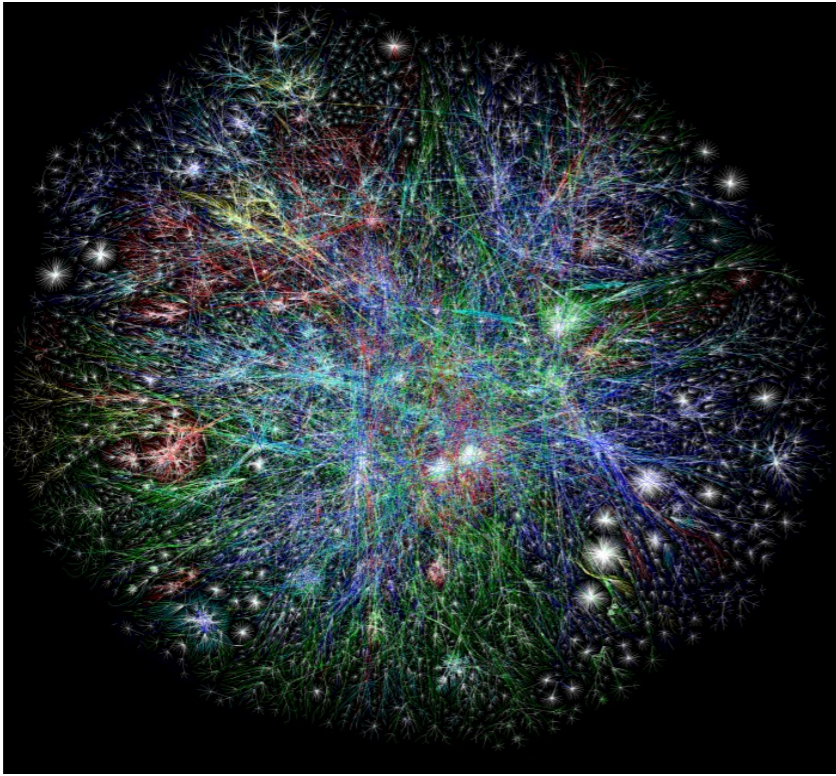
Science, 1999

“Behind each system studied in complexity there is an intricate wiring diagram, or a **network**, that defines the interactions between the component.”

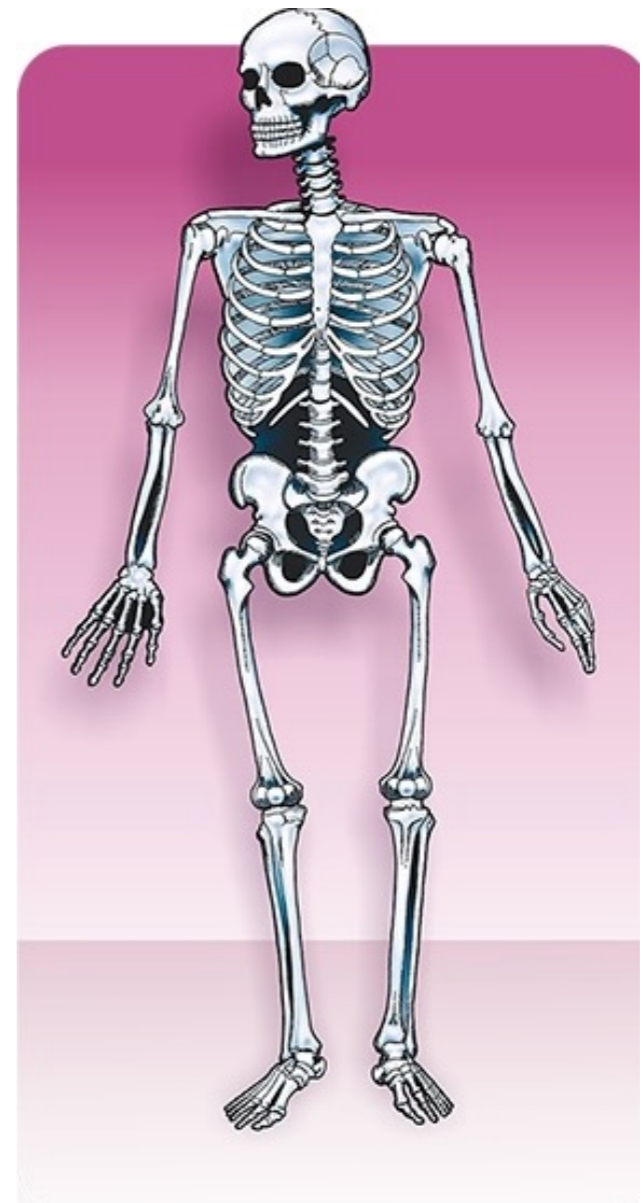


Complex networks



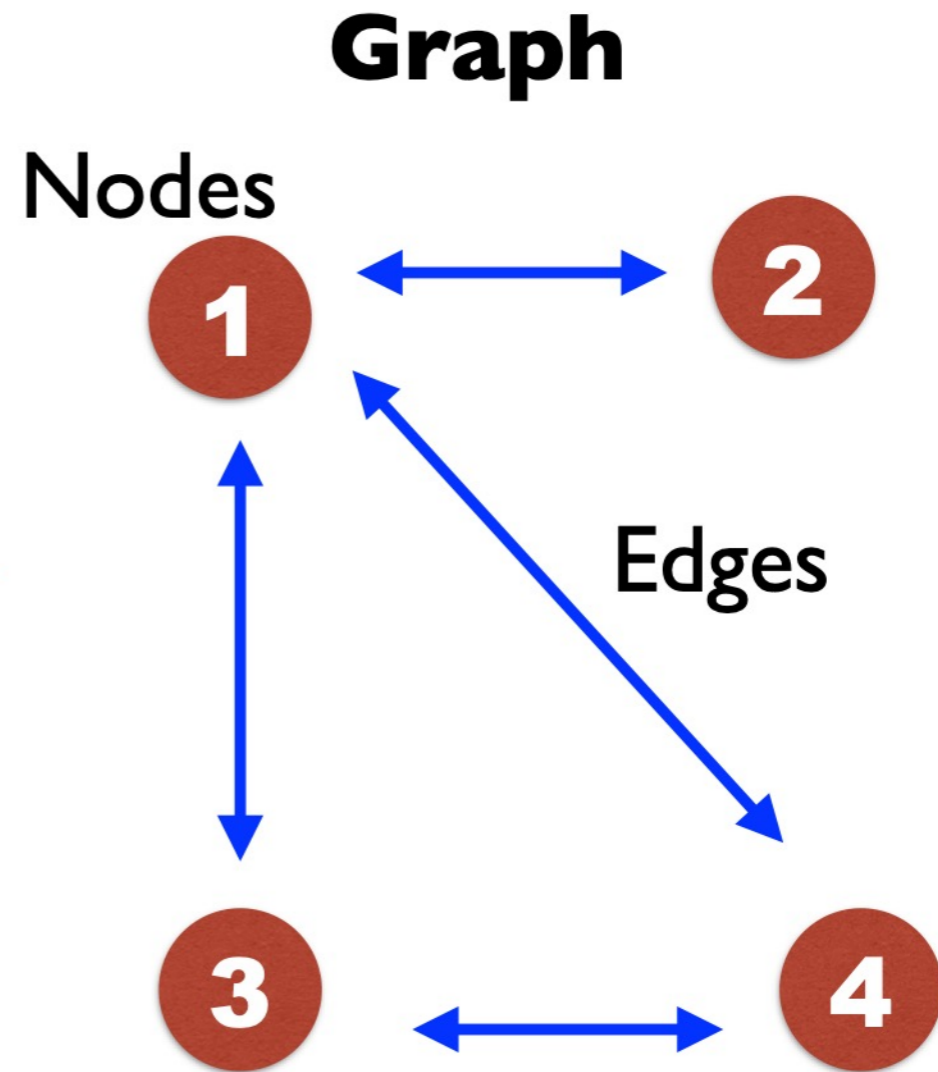
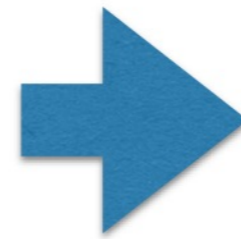
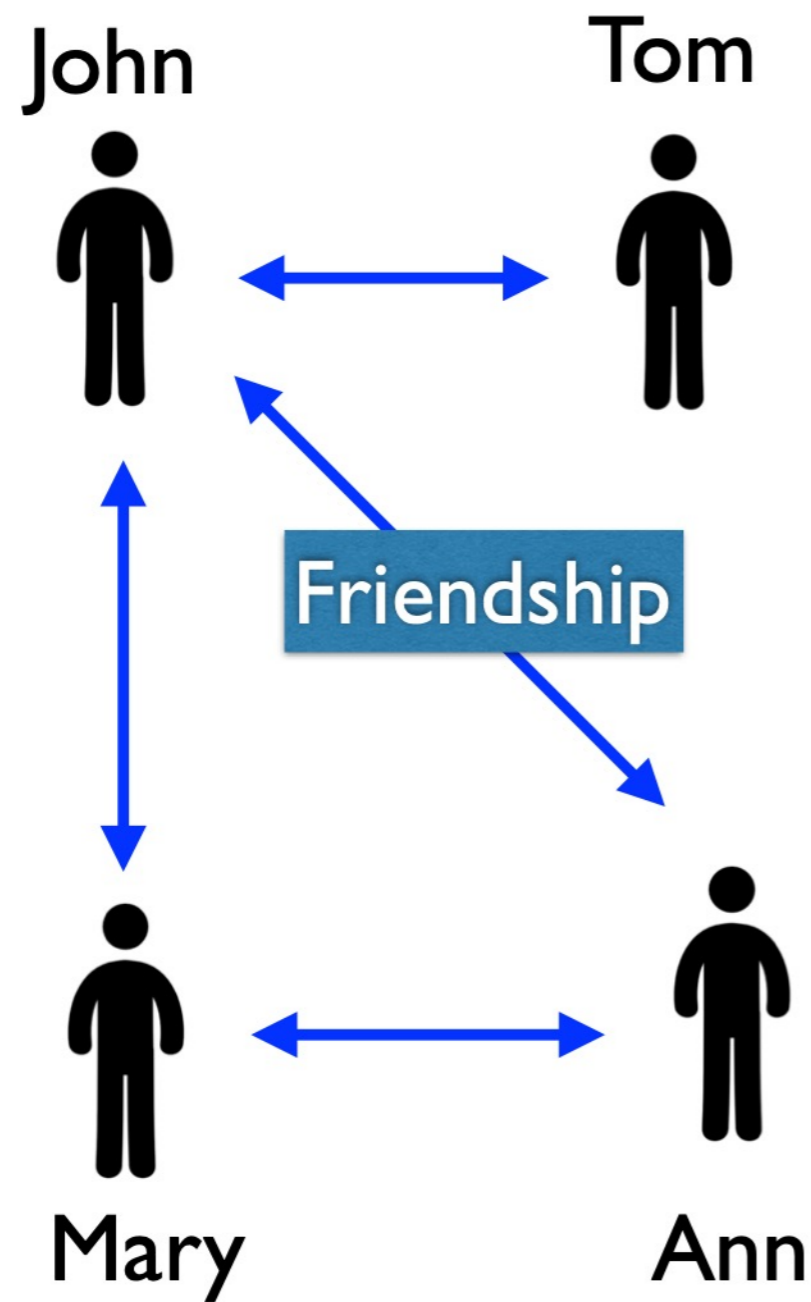


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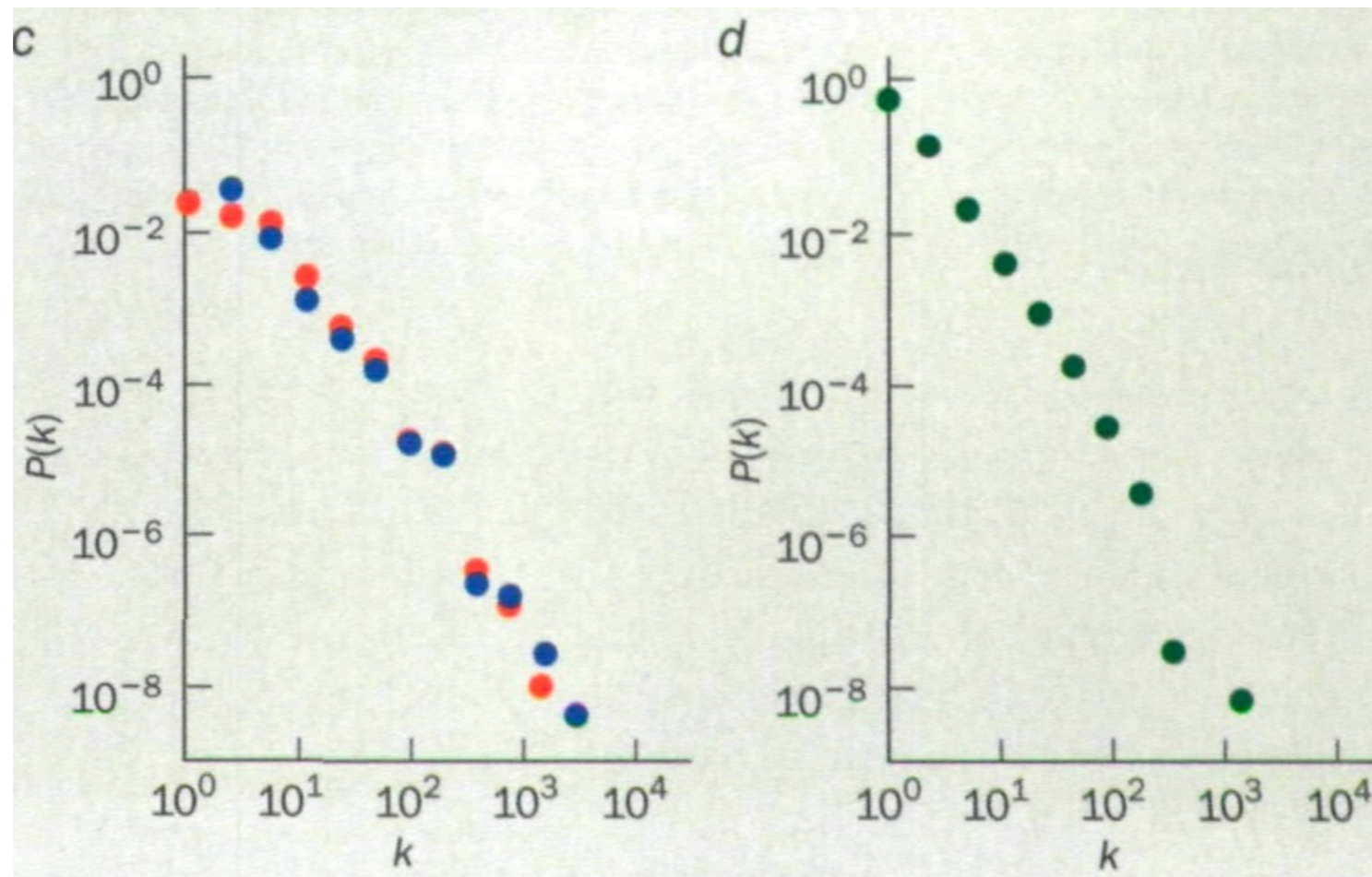
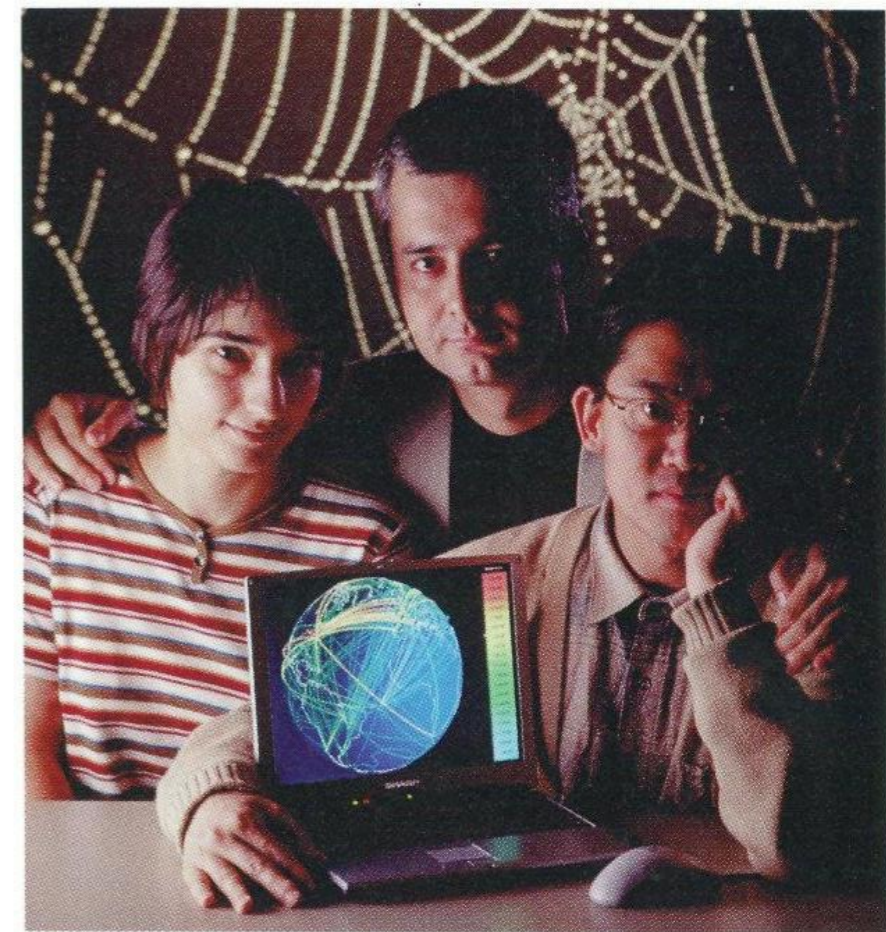
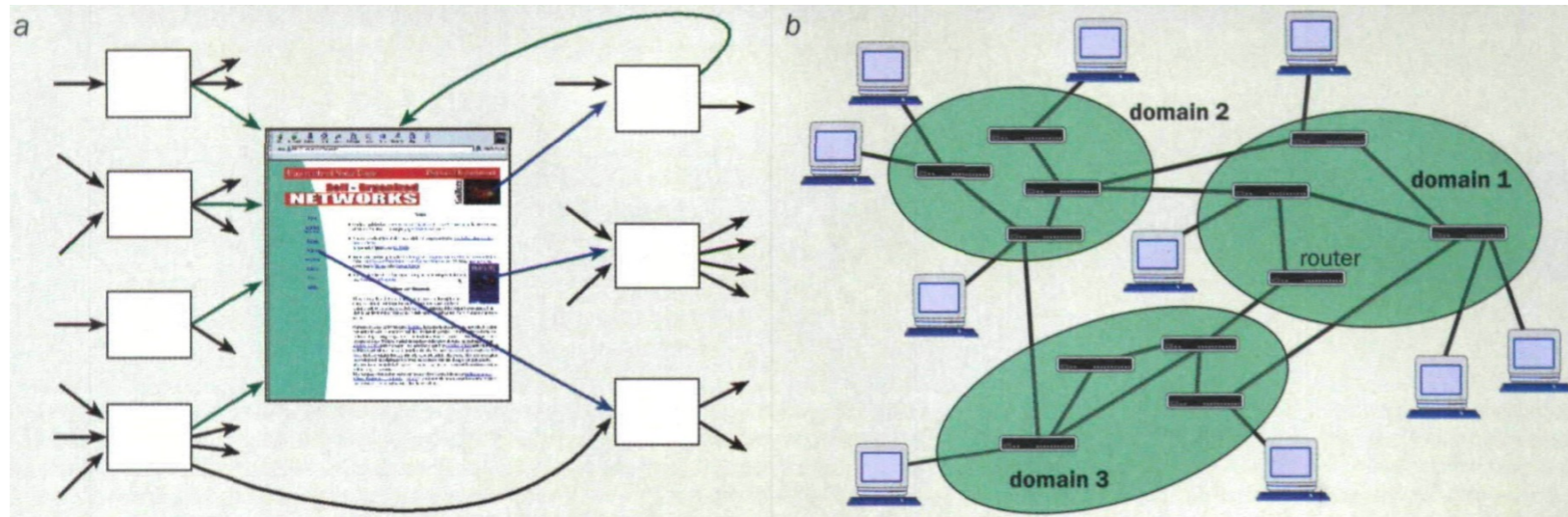


Networks represent the structure of complex systems.

What is a network?



Complex networks



27 July 2000 International weekly journal of science

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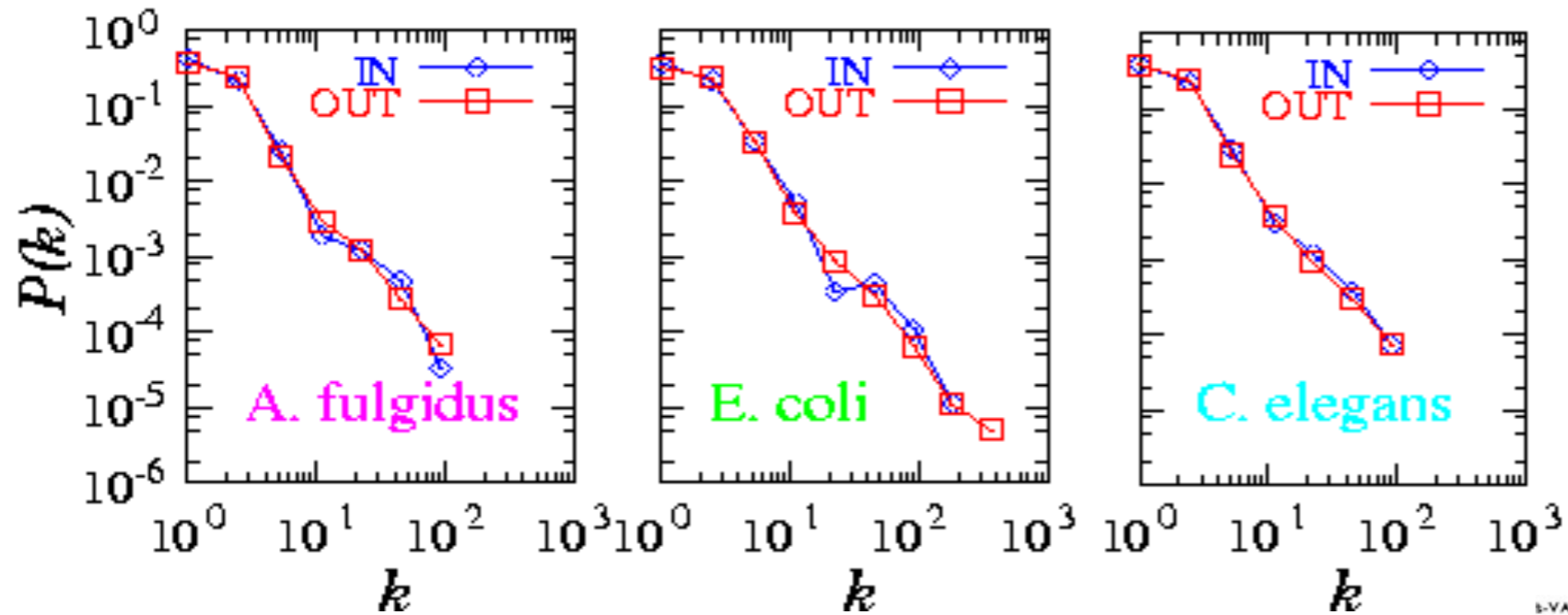
Achilles' heel of the Internet

Obesity Mice that eat more but weigh less
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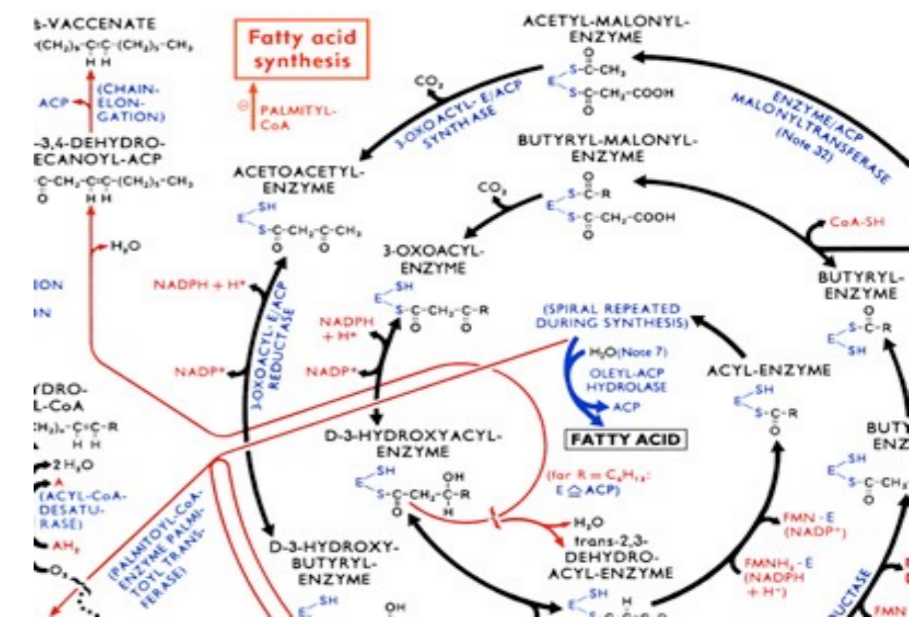
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Metabolic networks



“Organisms from all three domains of life are **scale-free** networks!”



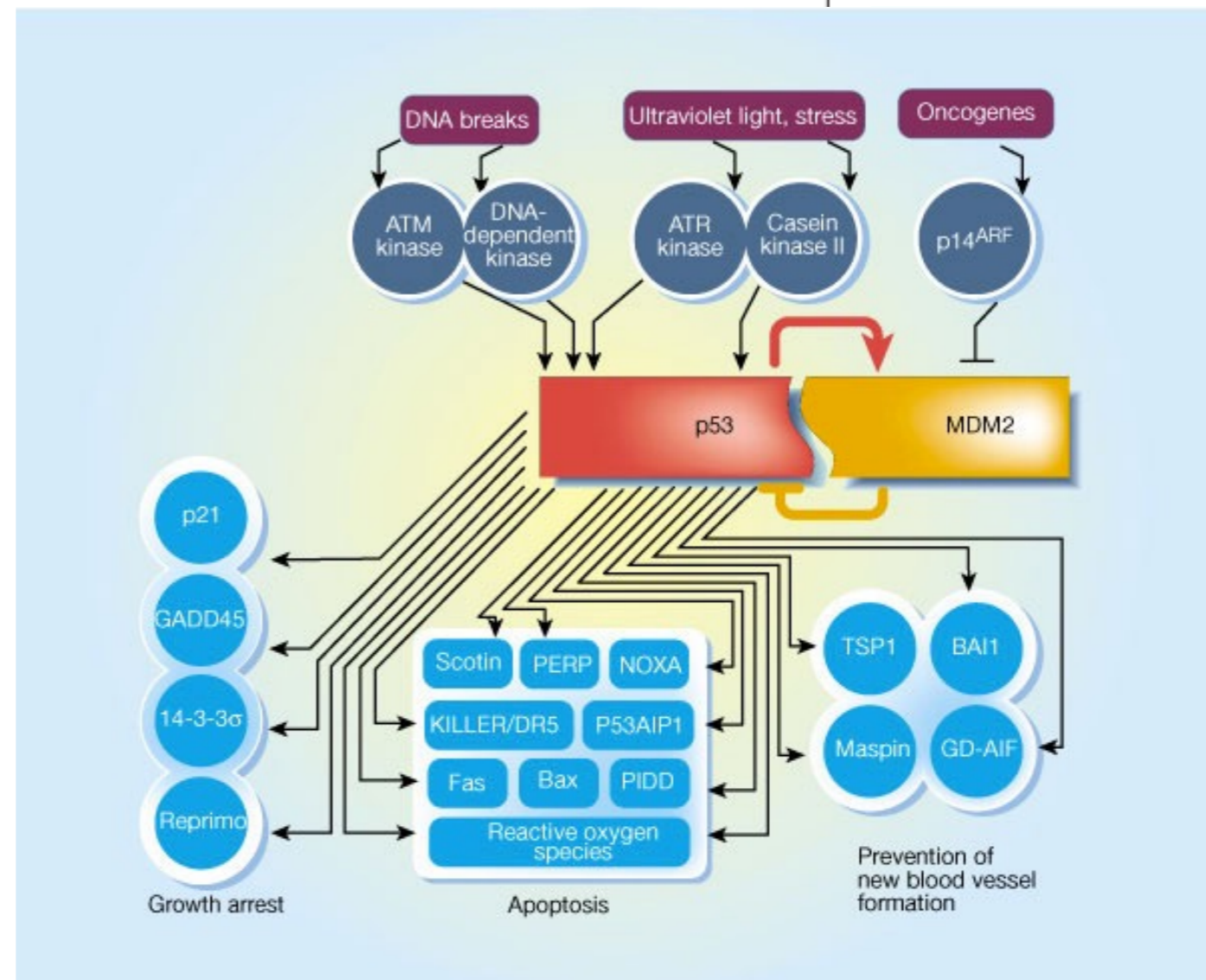
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news and views feature

Surfing the p53 network

Bert Vogelstein, David Lane and Arnold J. Levine

The p53 tumour-suppressor gene integrates numerous signals that control cell life and death. As when a highly connected node in the Internet breaks down, the disruption of p53 has severe consequences.



Bert Vogelstein, David Lane & Arnold J. Levine, Nature **408**, 2000

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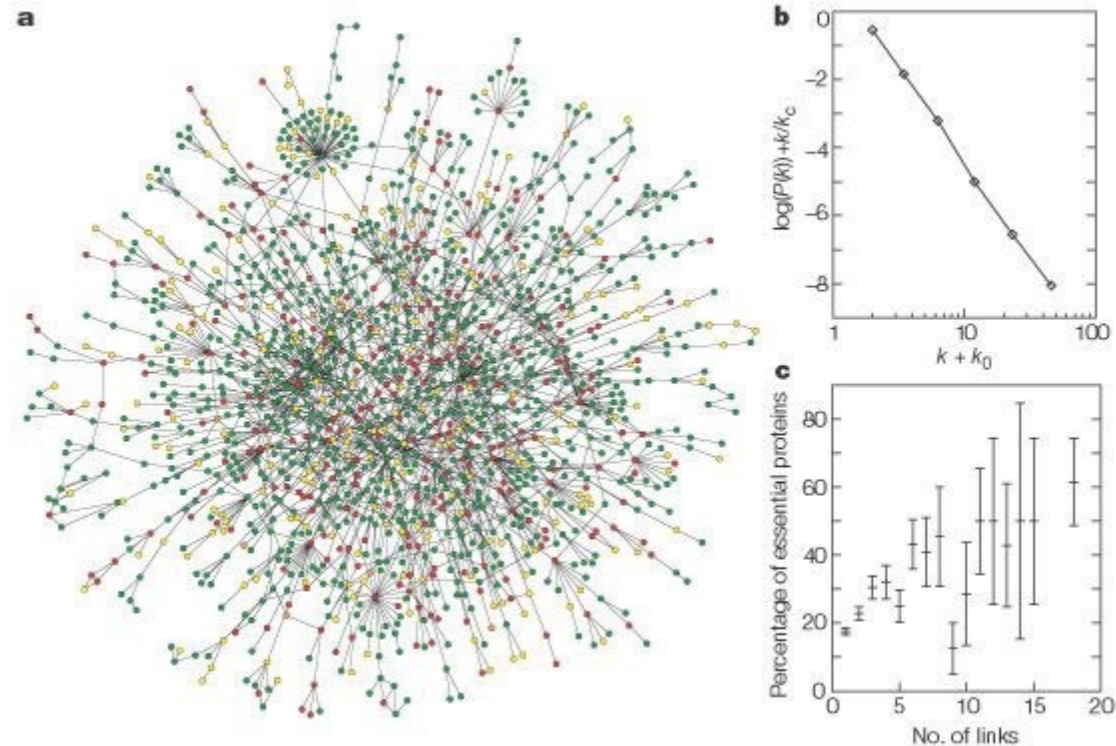
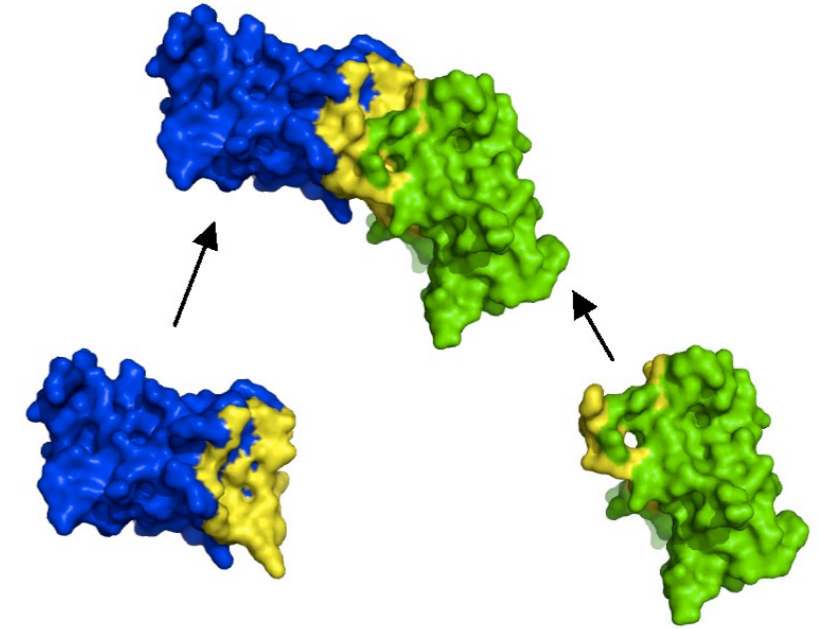
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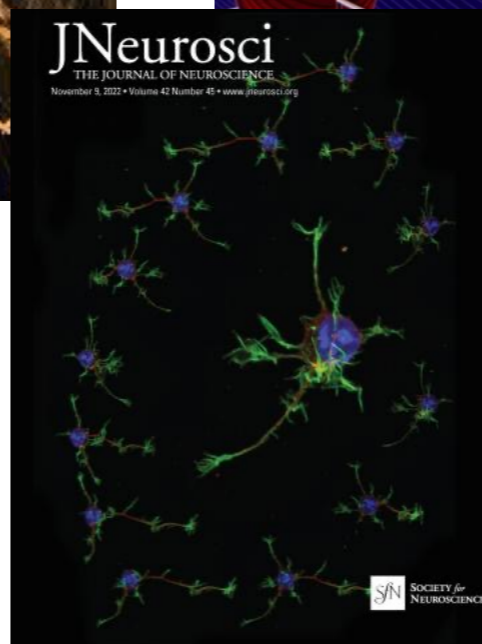
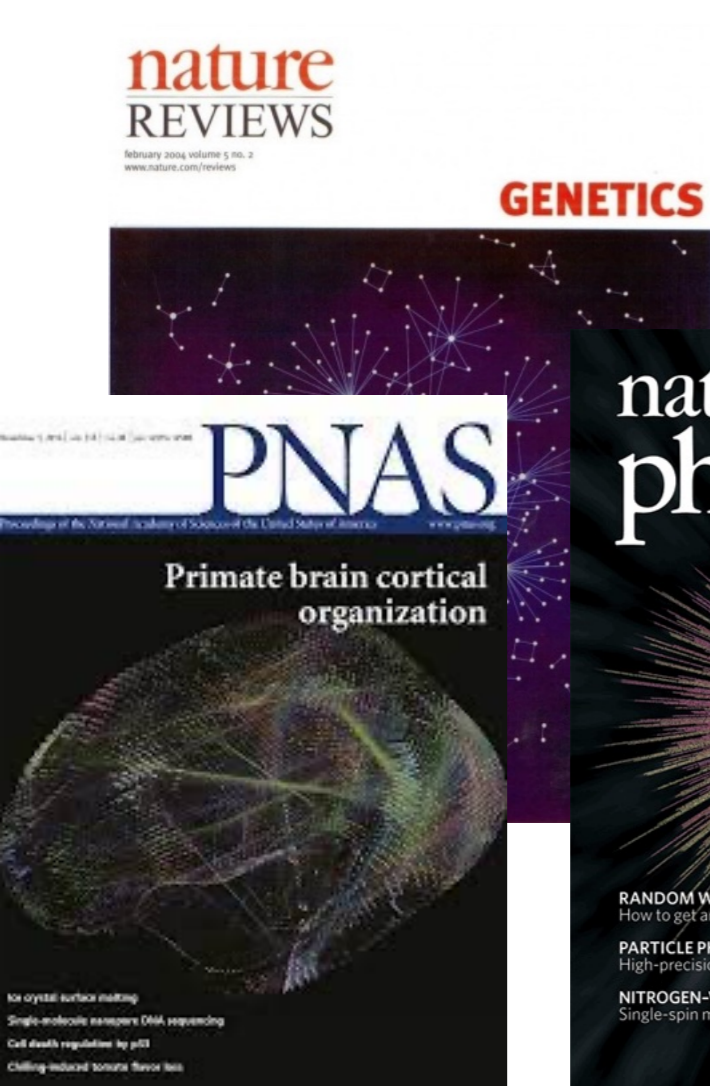
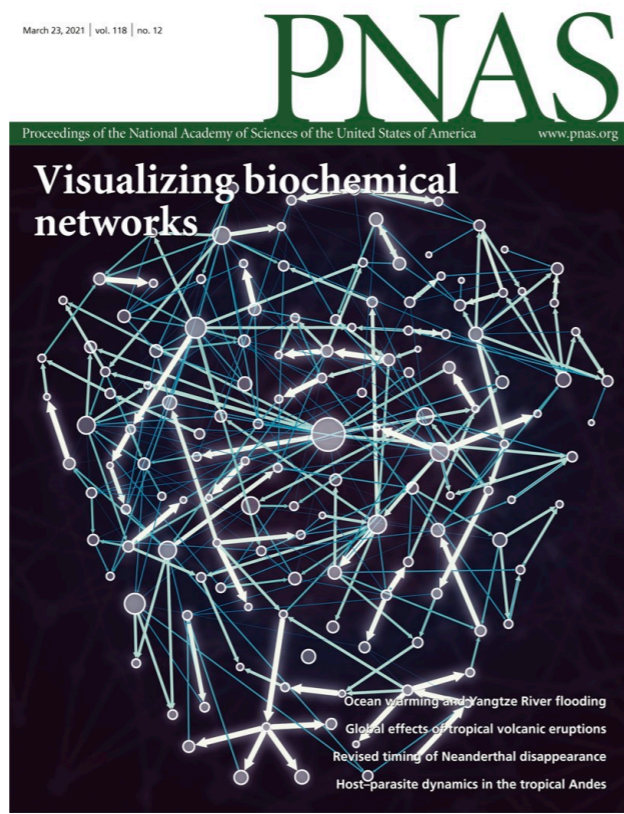
Lethality and centrality in protein networks

H. Jeong, S. P. Mason, A.-L. Barabási & Z. N. Oltvai

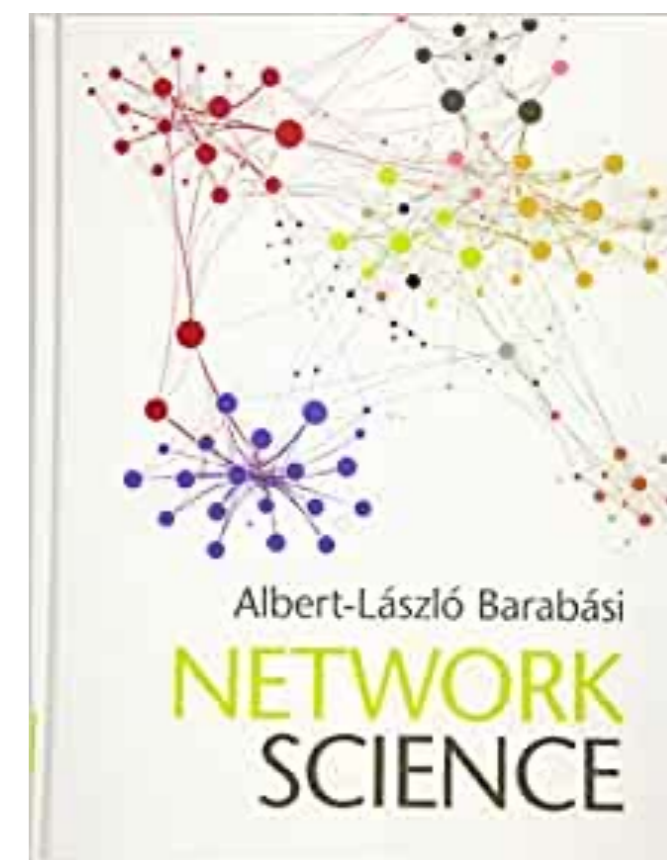
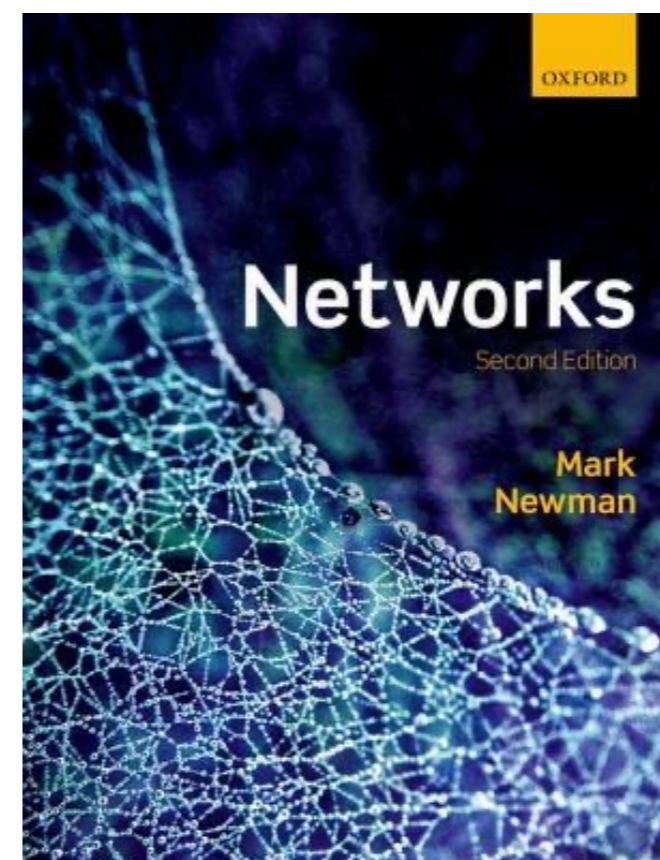
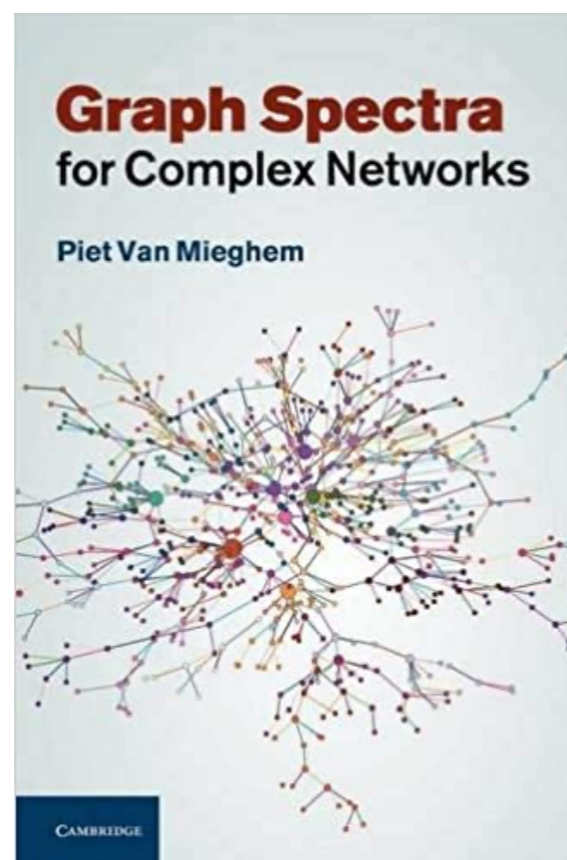
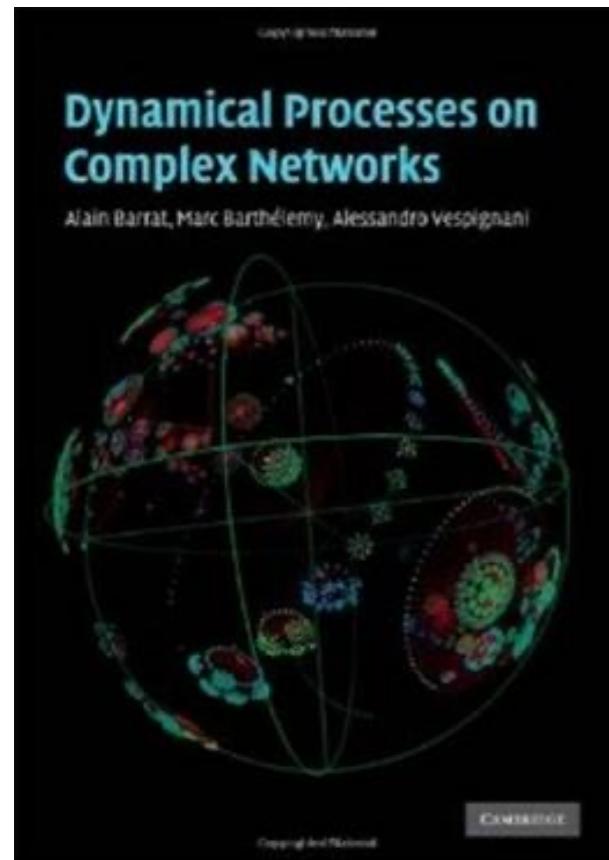
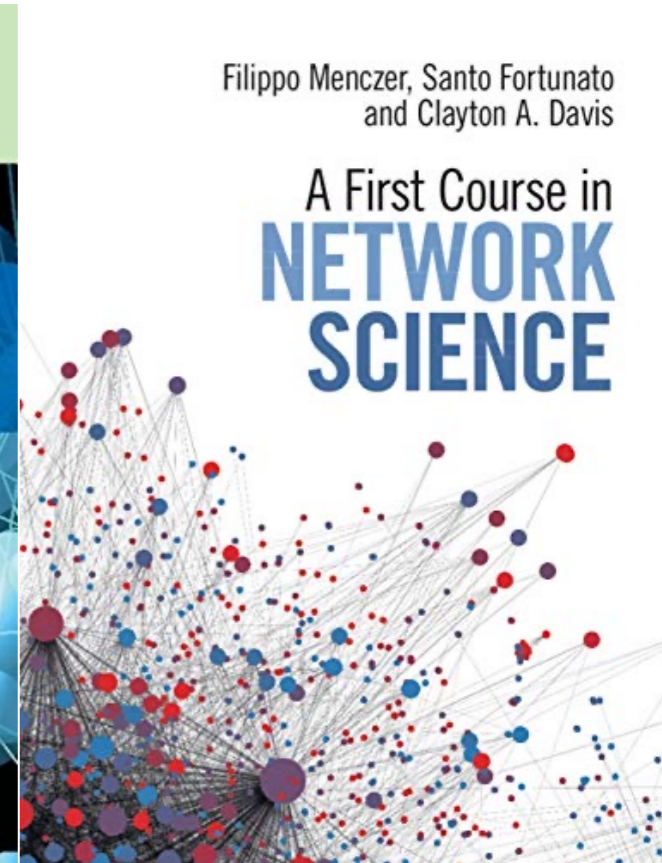
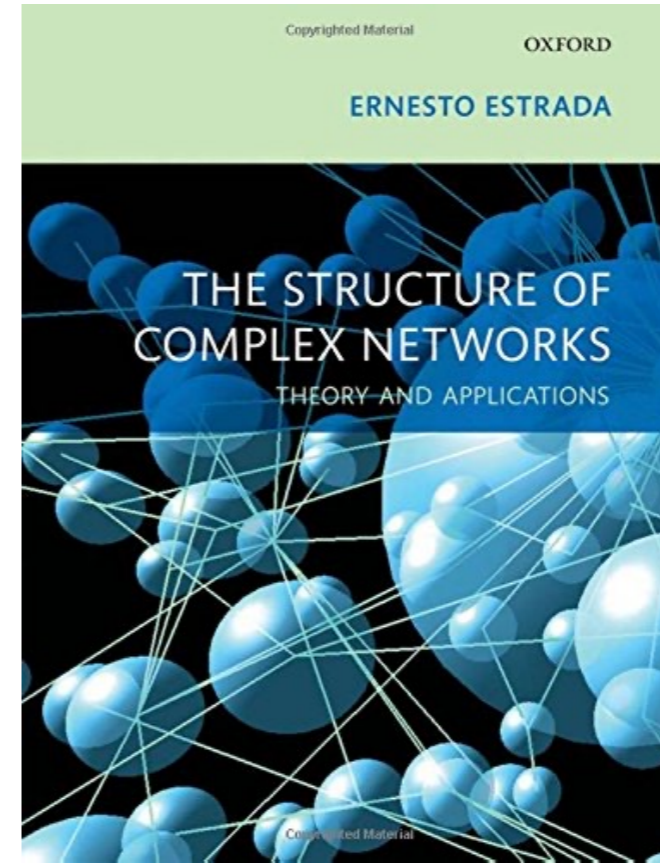
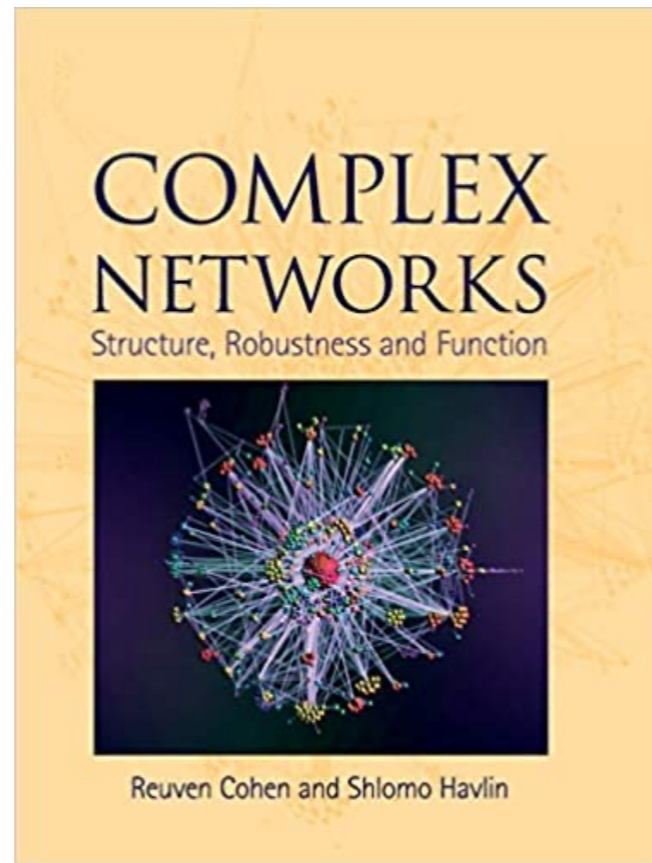
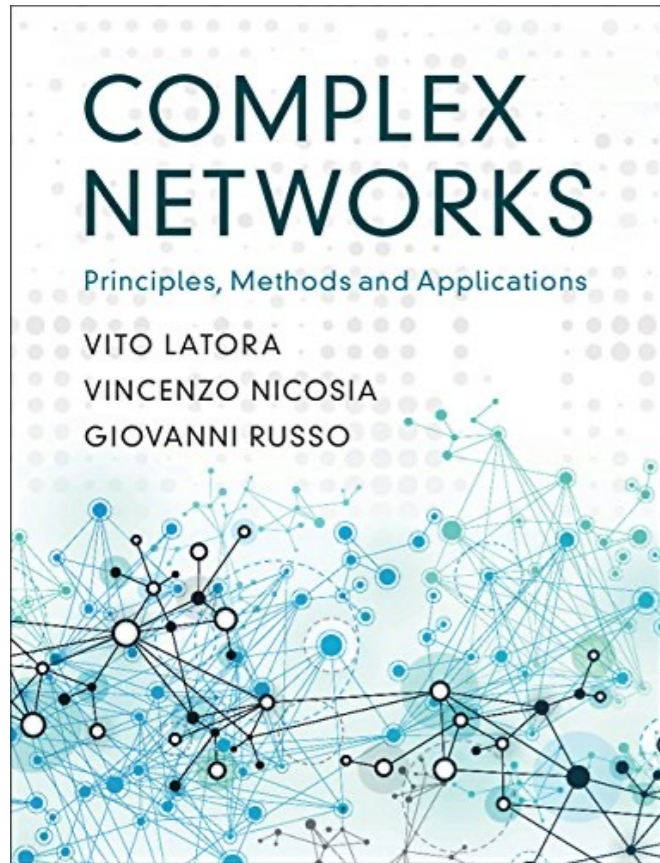
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The most highly connected proteins in the cell are the most important for its survival.





Books



Stephen Hawking




**"I think the next century will be
the century of complexity."**

January 23, 2000, San Jose Mercury News

The Nobel Prize in Physics 2021

"for groundbreaking contributions to our understanding of complex systems"

This year's Nobel Prize in Physics is awarded with one half jointly to [Syukuro Manabe](#), [Klaus Hasselmann](#) and the other half to [Giorgio Parisi](#). They have laid the foundation of our knowledge of the Earth's climate and how humanity influences it, as well as revolutionized the theory of disordered materials and random processes.



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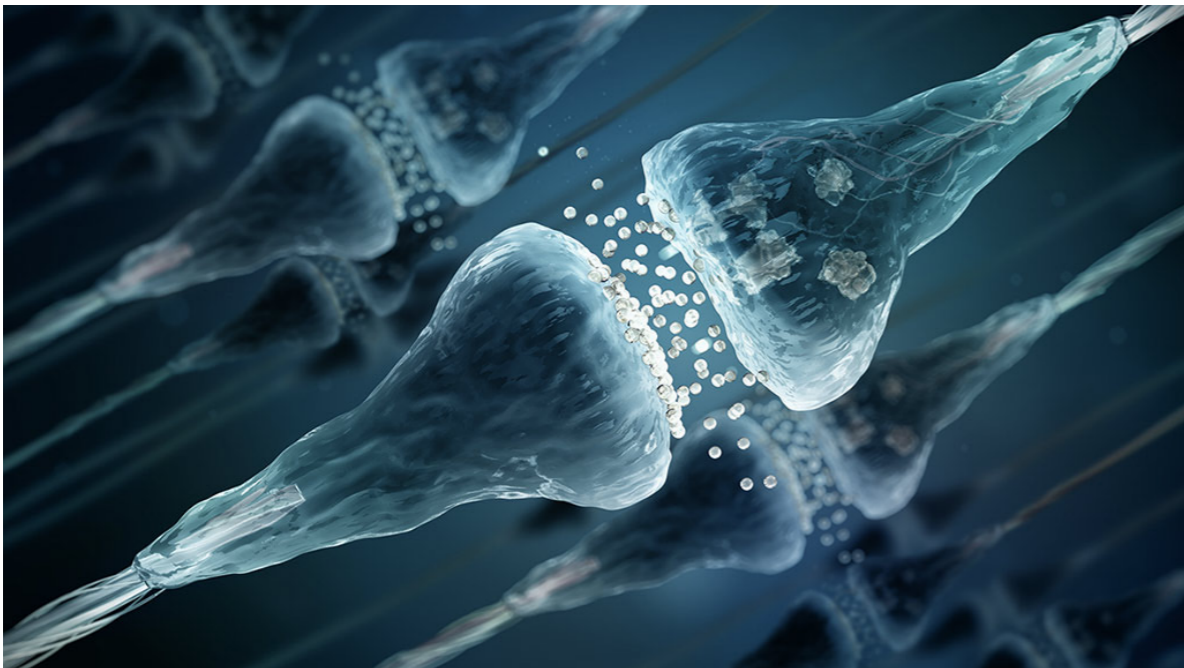
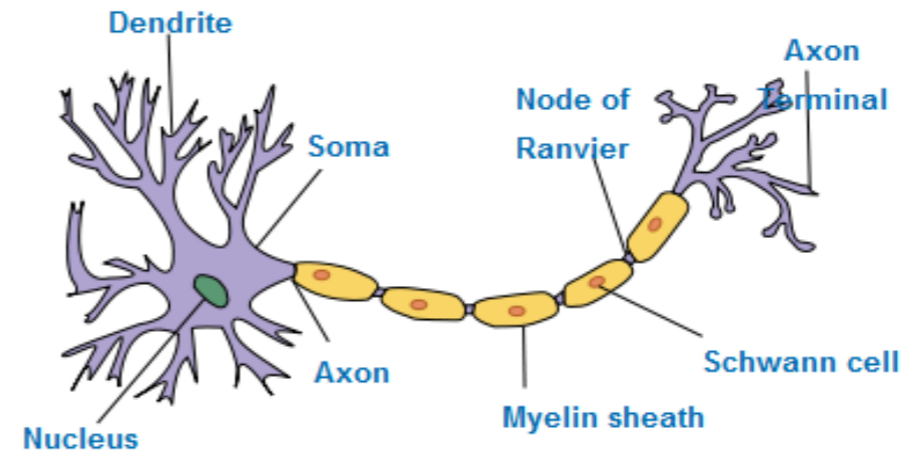
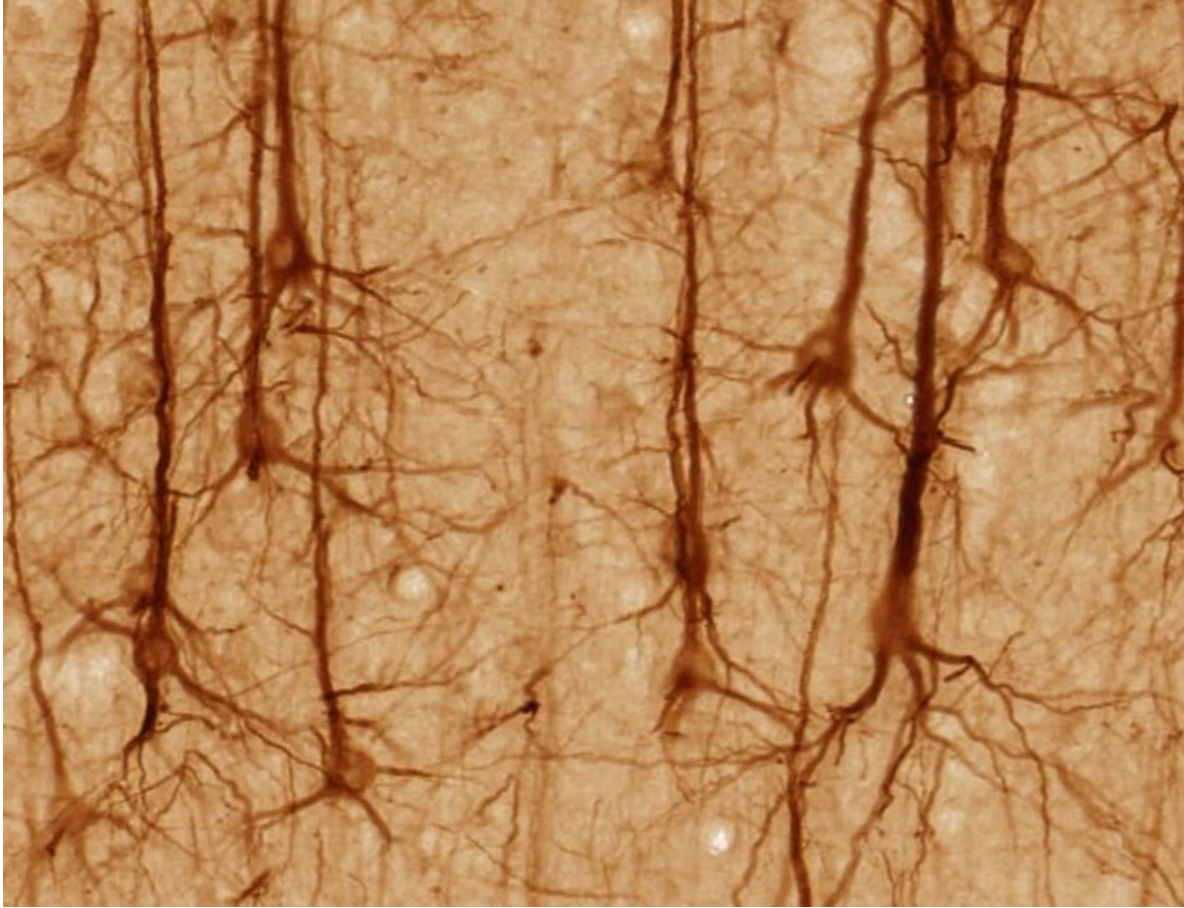
THE NOBEL PRIZE
IN PHYSICS 2021

Syukuro Manabe	Klaus Hasselmann	Giorgio Parisi
"for the physical modelling of Earth's climate, quantifying variability and reliably predicting global warming"		"for the discovery of the interplay of disorder and fluctuations in physical systems from atomic to planetary scales"

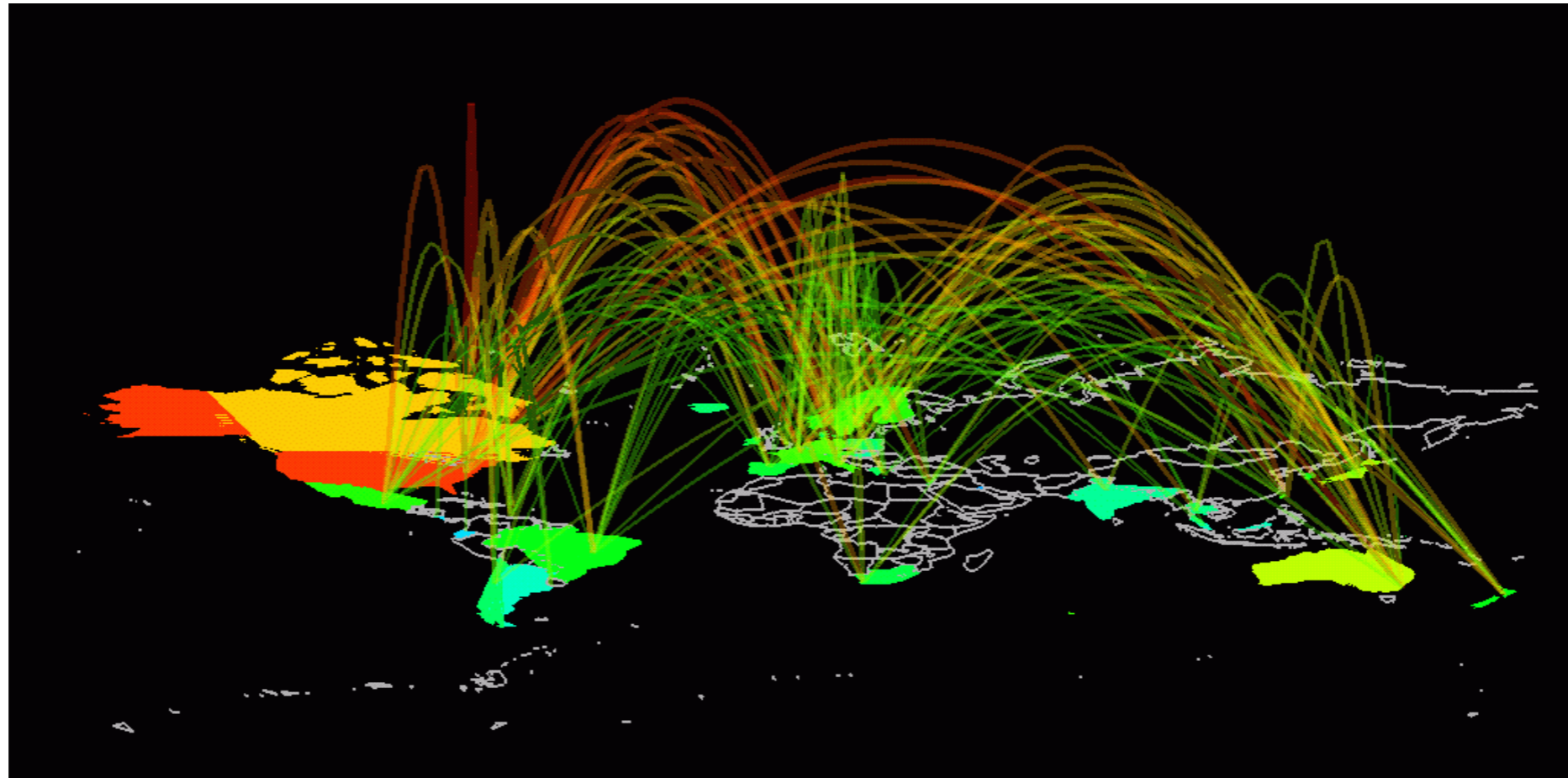
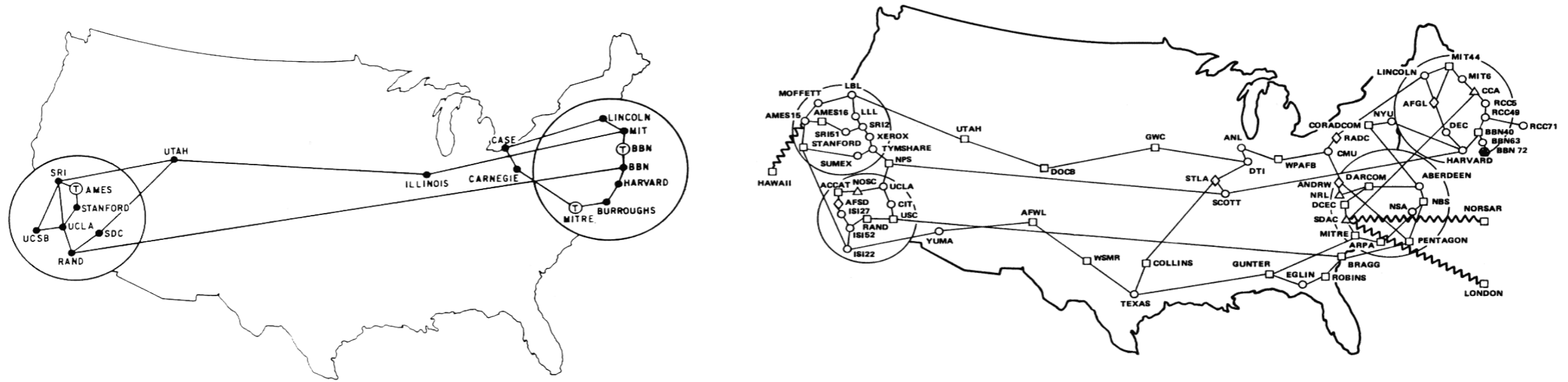
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Examples of complex systems

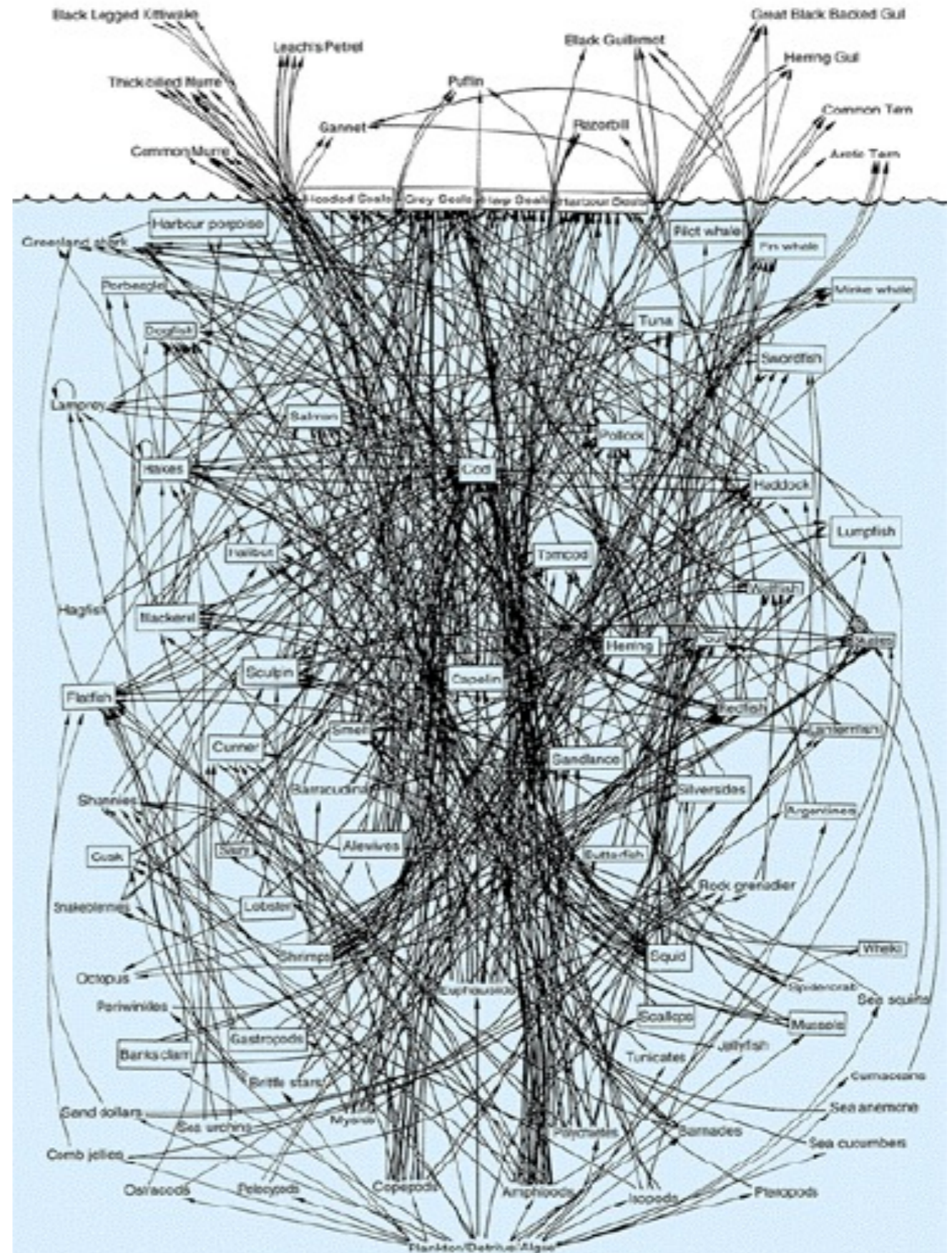
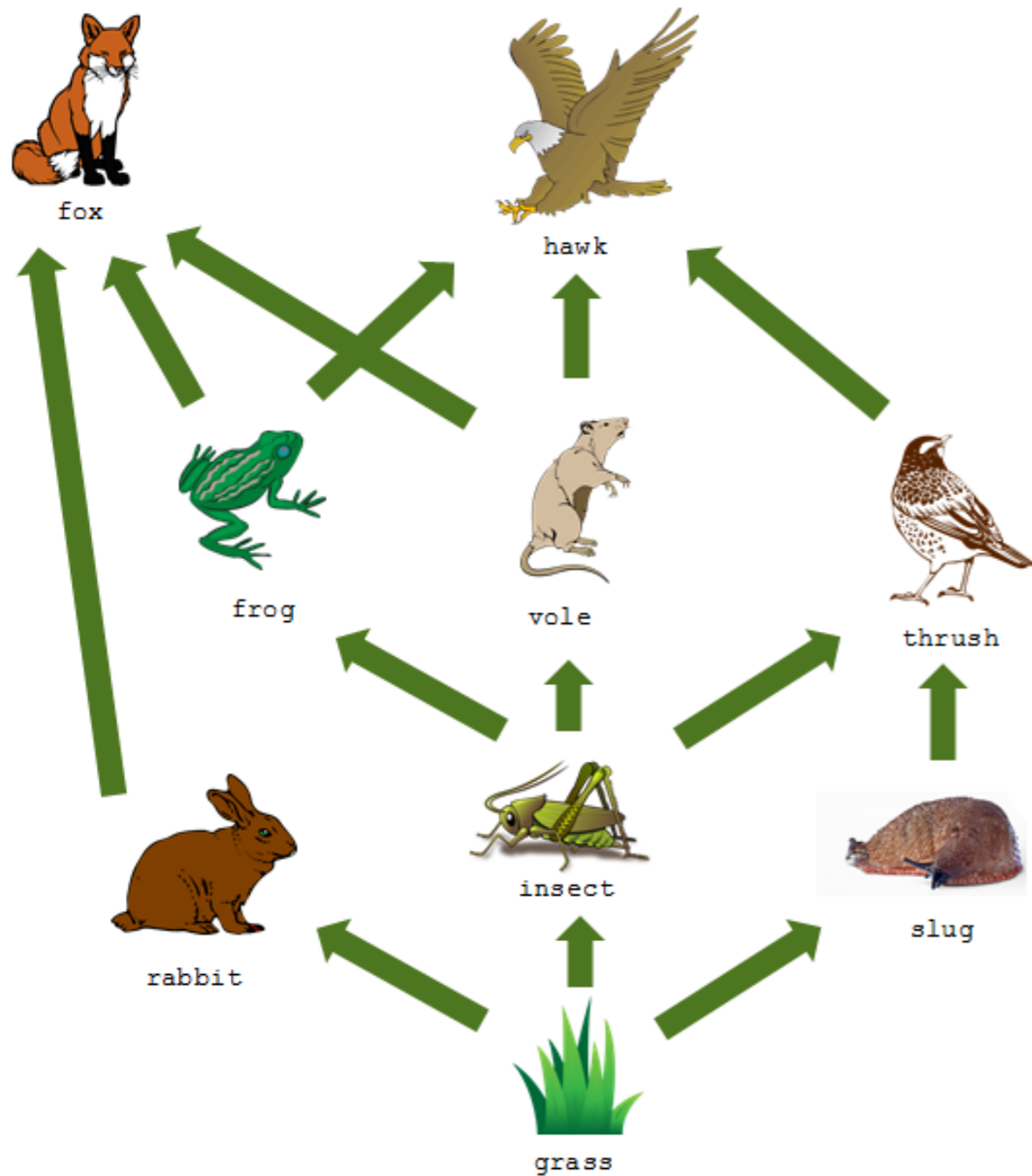
Brain



Internet

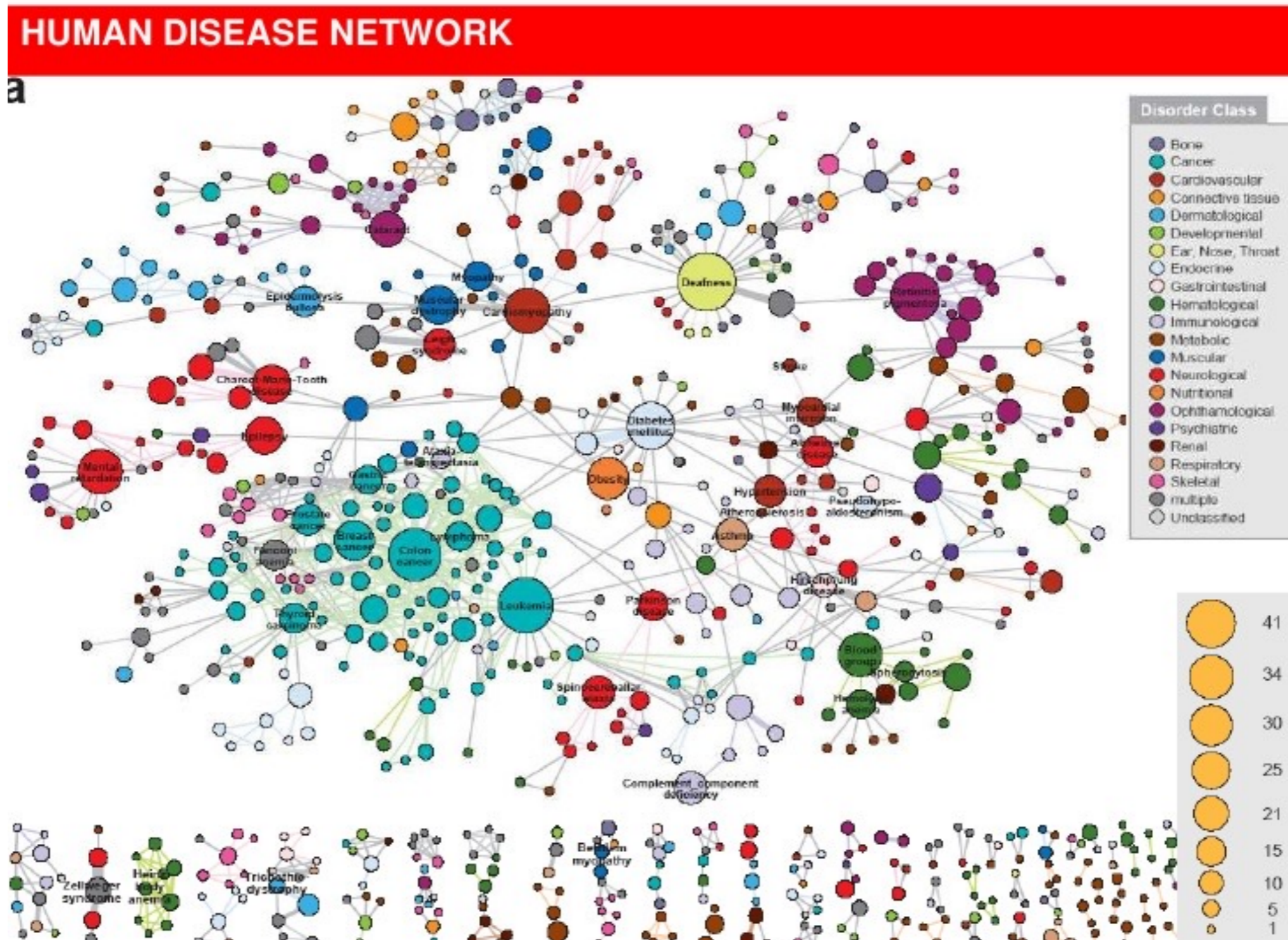


Food webs

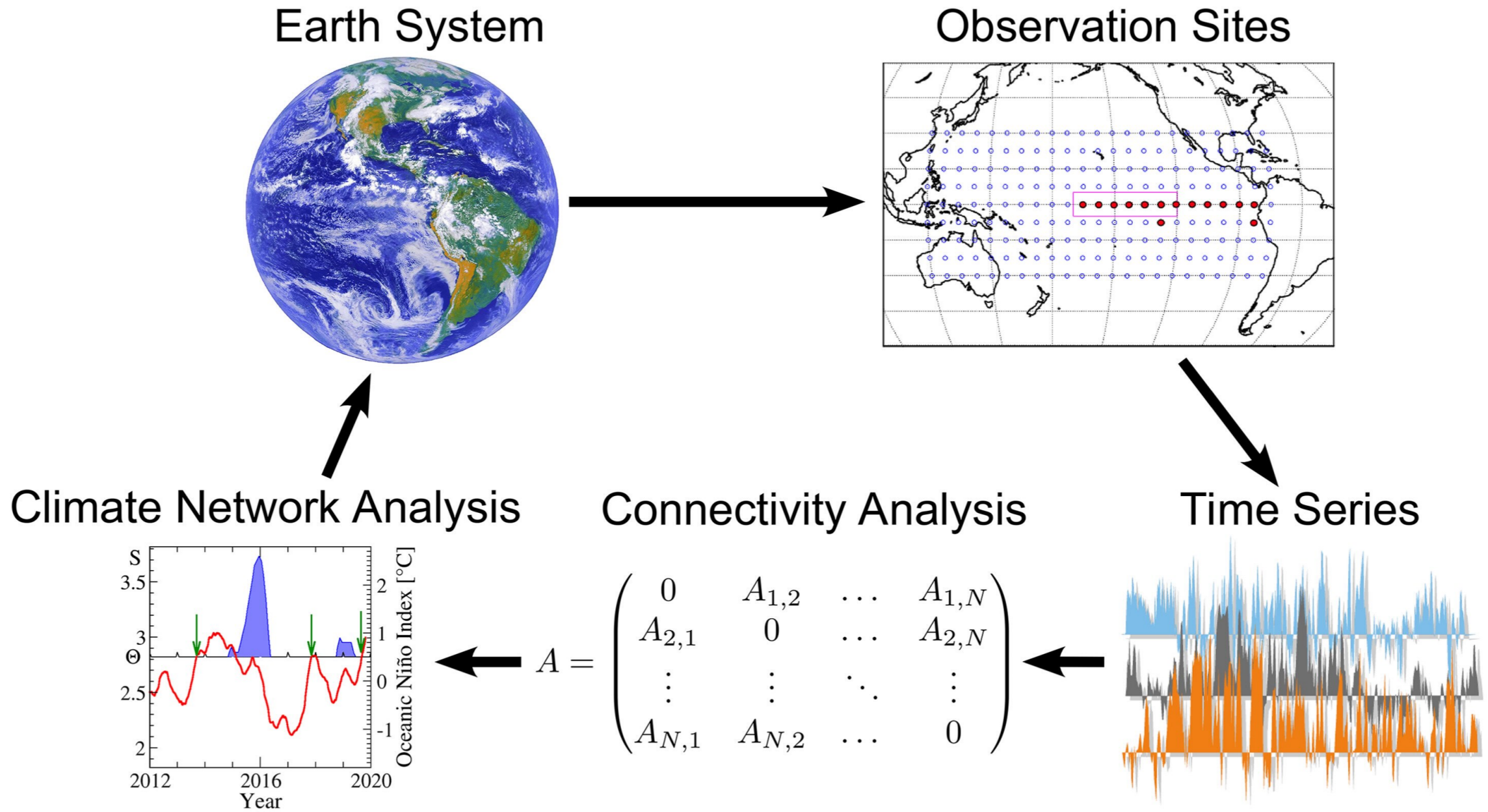


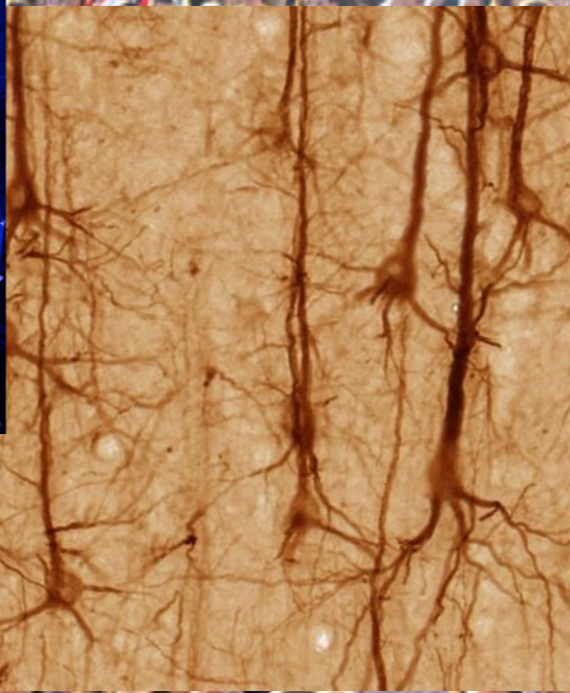
A simplified food web for the Northwest Atlantic

Human disease network



Climate networks

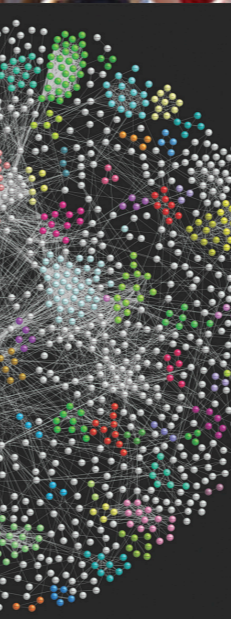
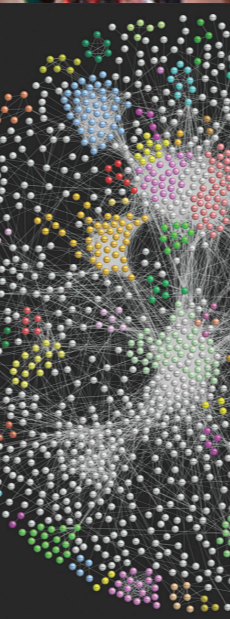
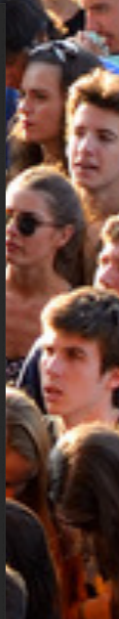
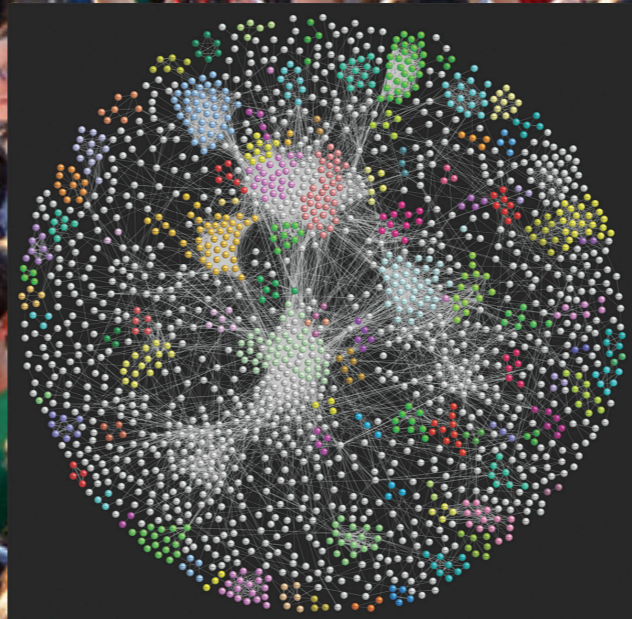
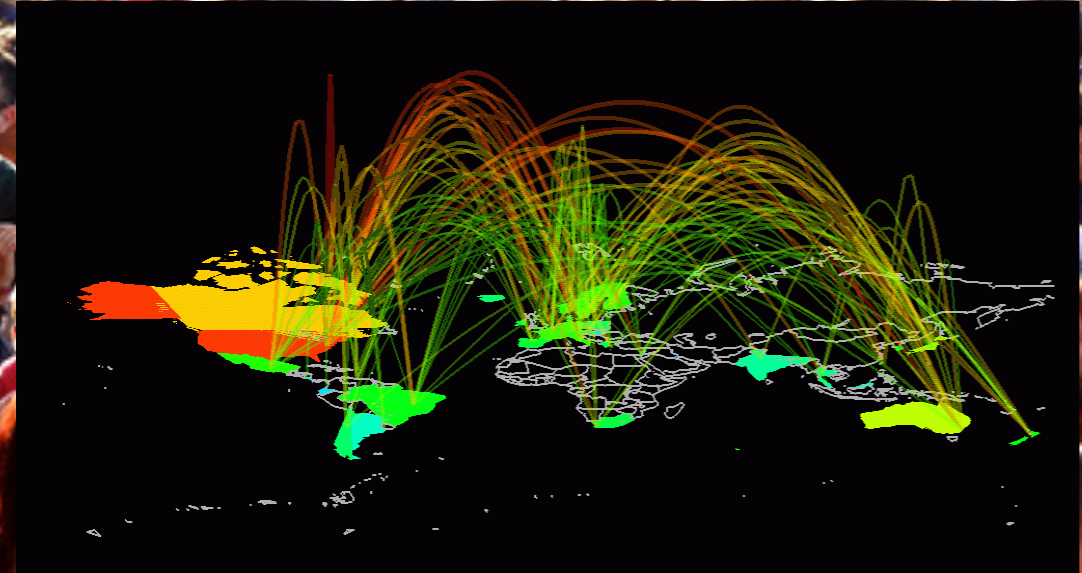




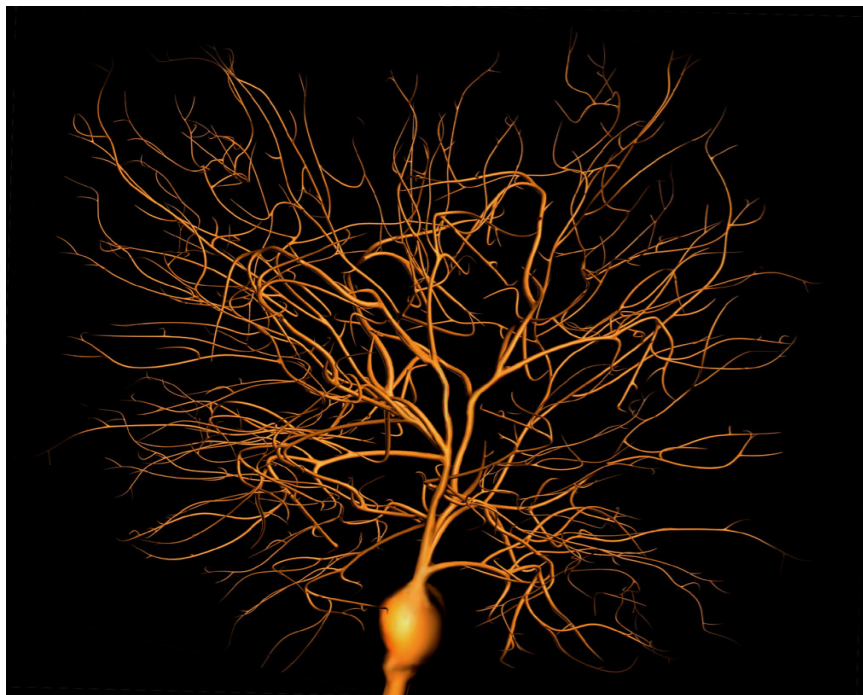
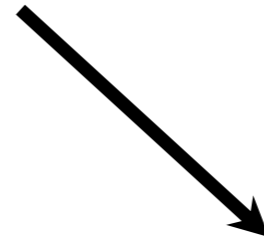
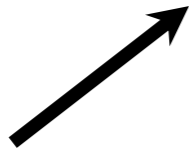
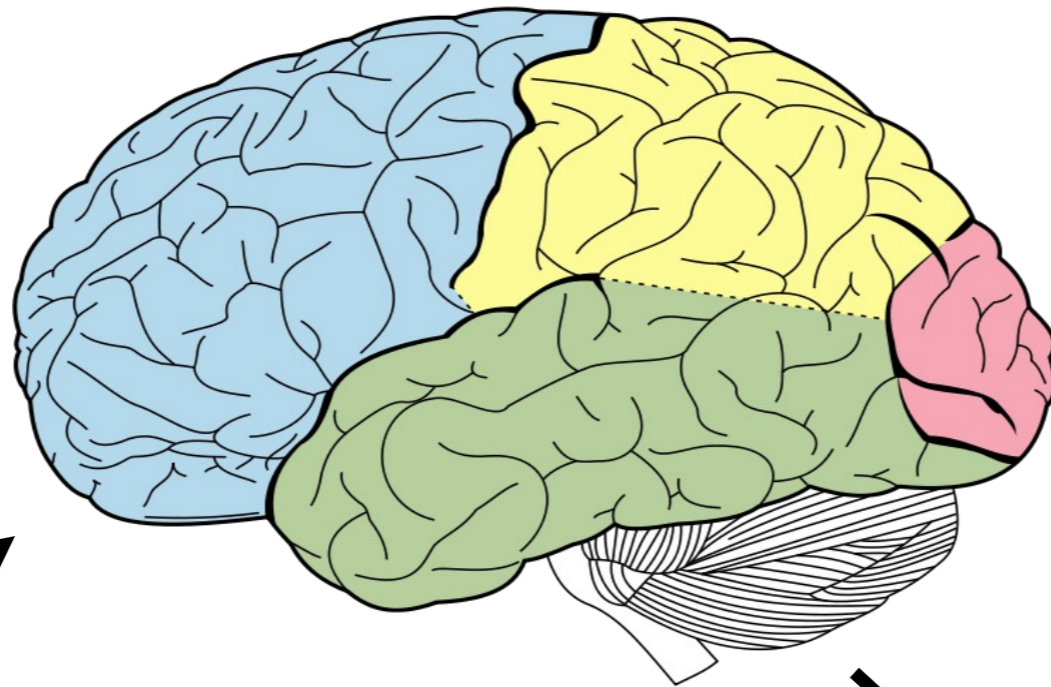
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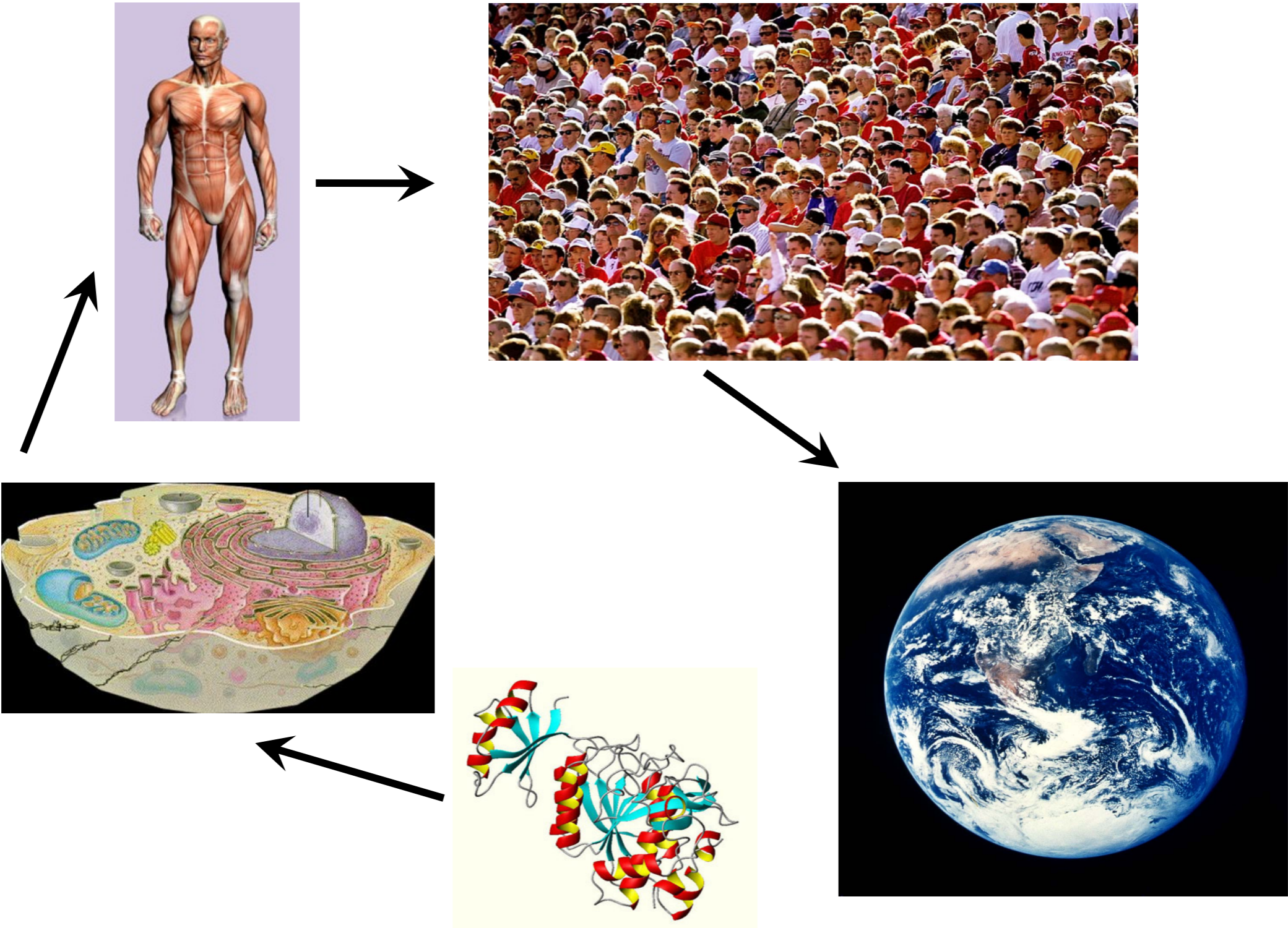
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Emergence



Hierarchy



How do we study complex systems?

Complex Systems

Structure

Dynamics

Applications



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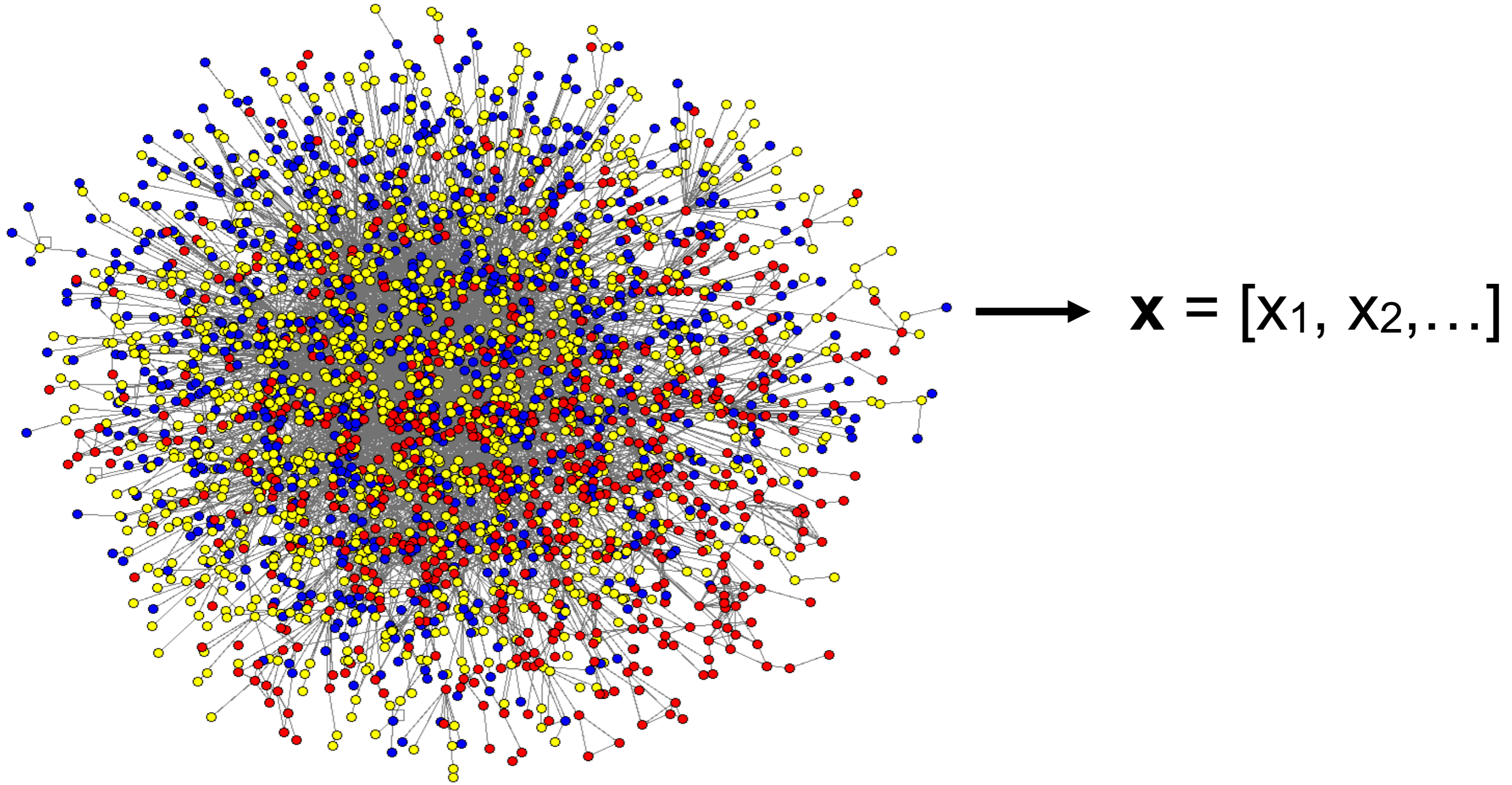
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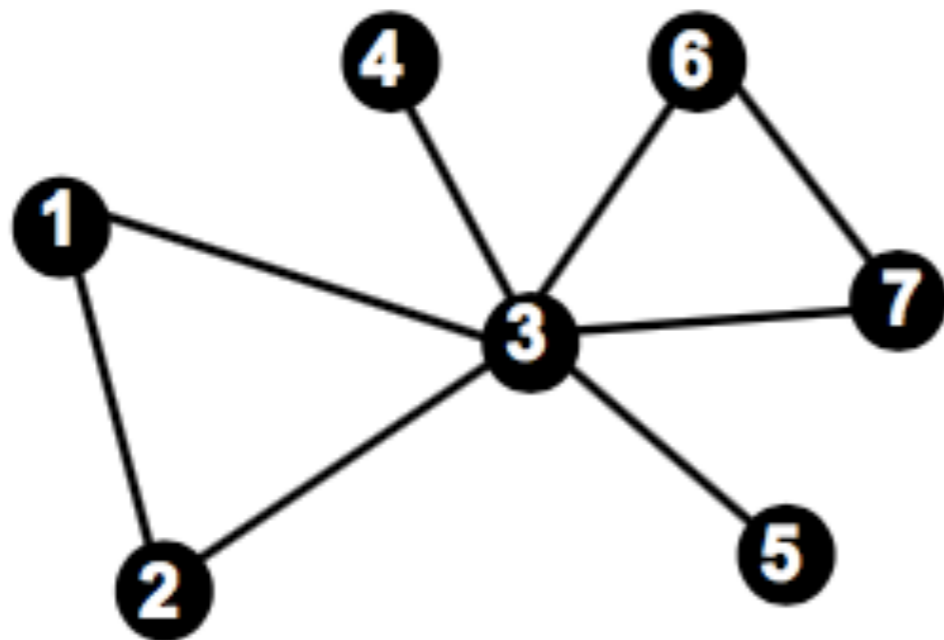


Network structure



Adjacency matrix

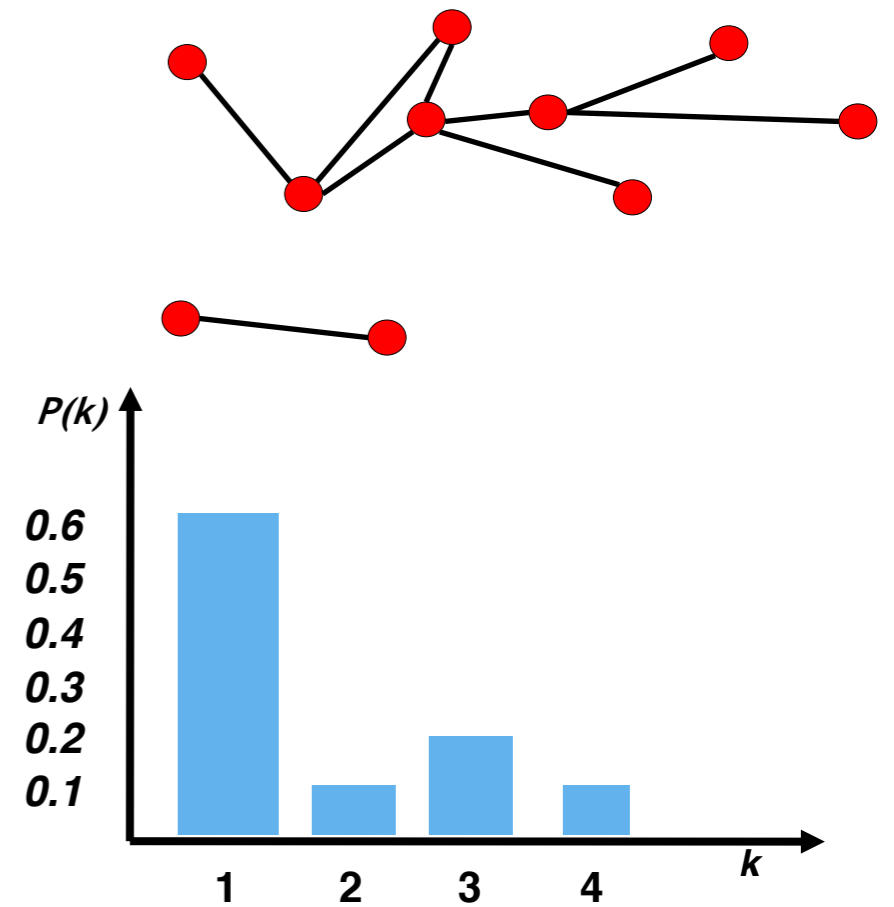
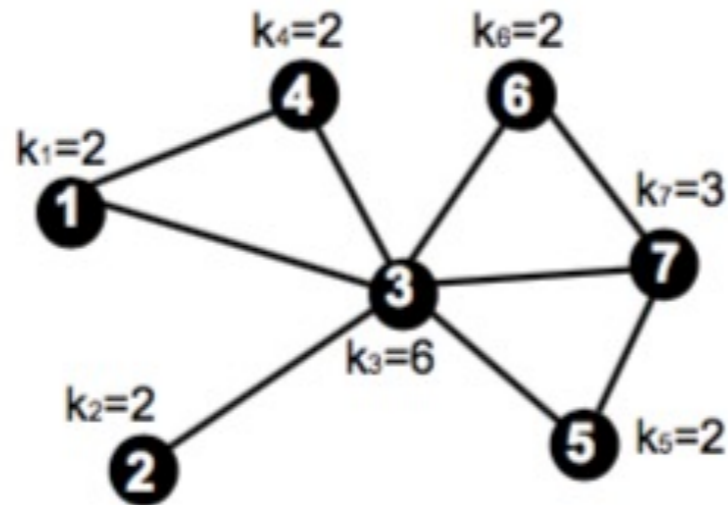
$$A_{ij} = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if there is a connection between } i \text{ and } j \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$



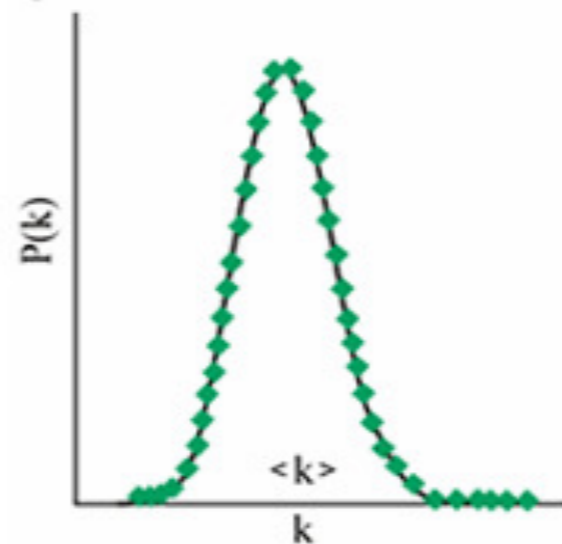
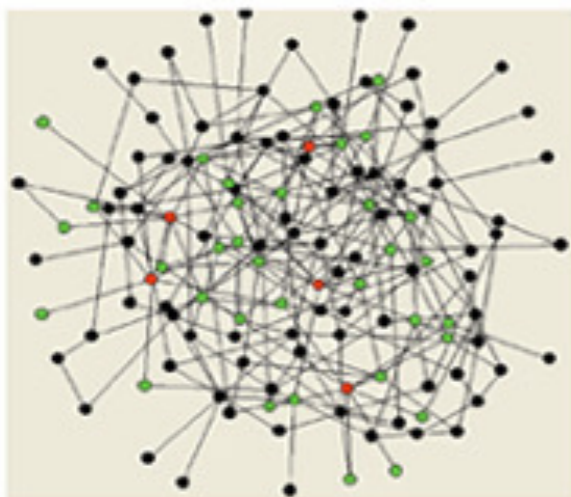
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Degree distribution

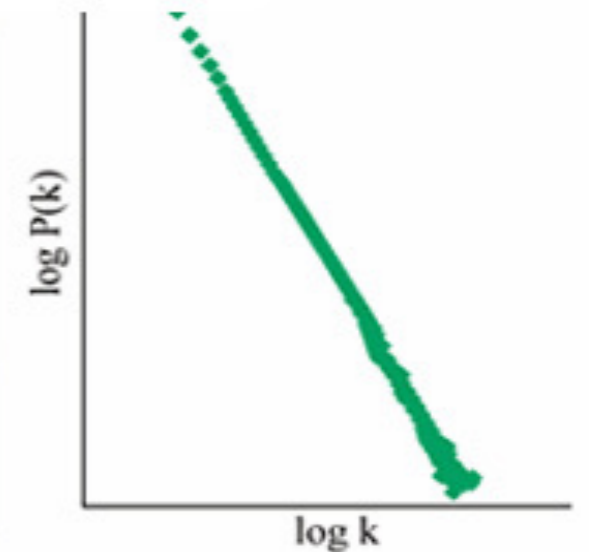
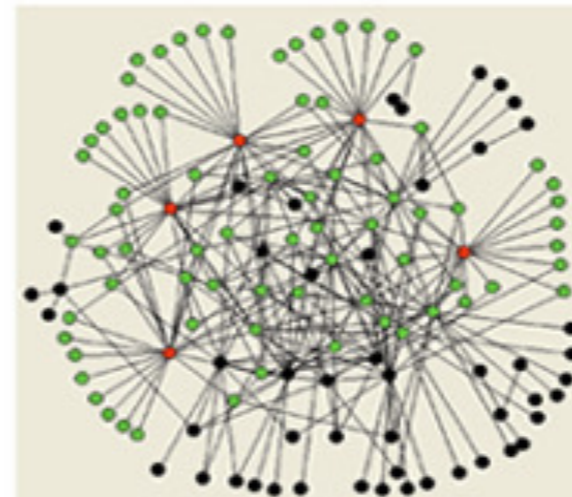
$P(k)$: probability that a node has degree k



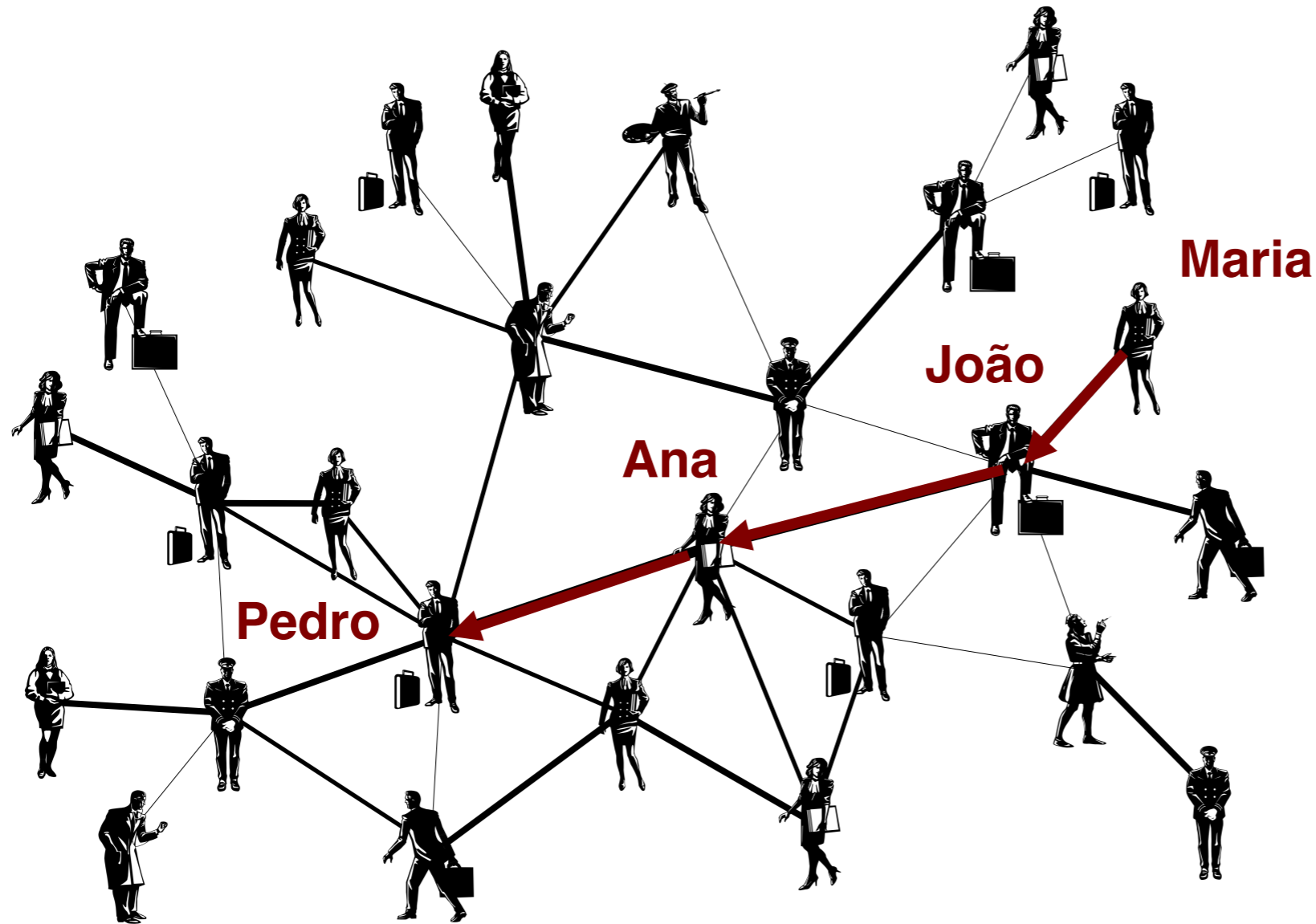
Random networks



Scale-free networks



Distance

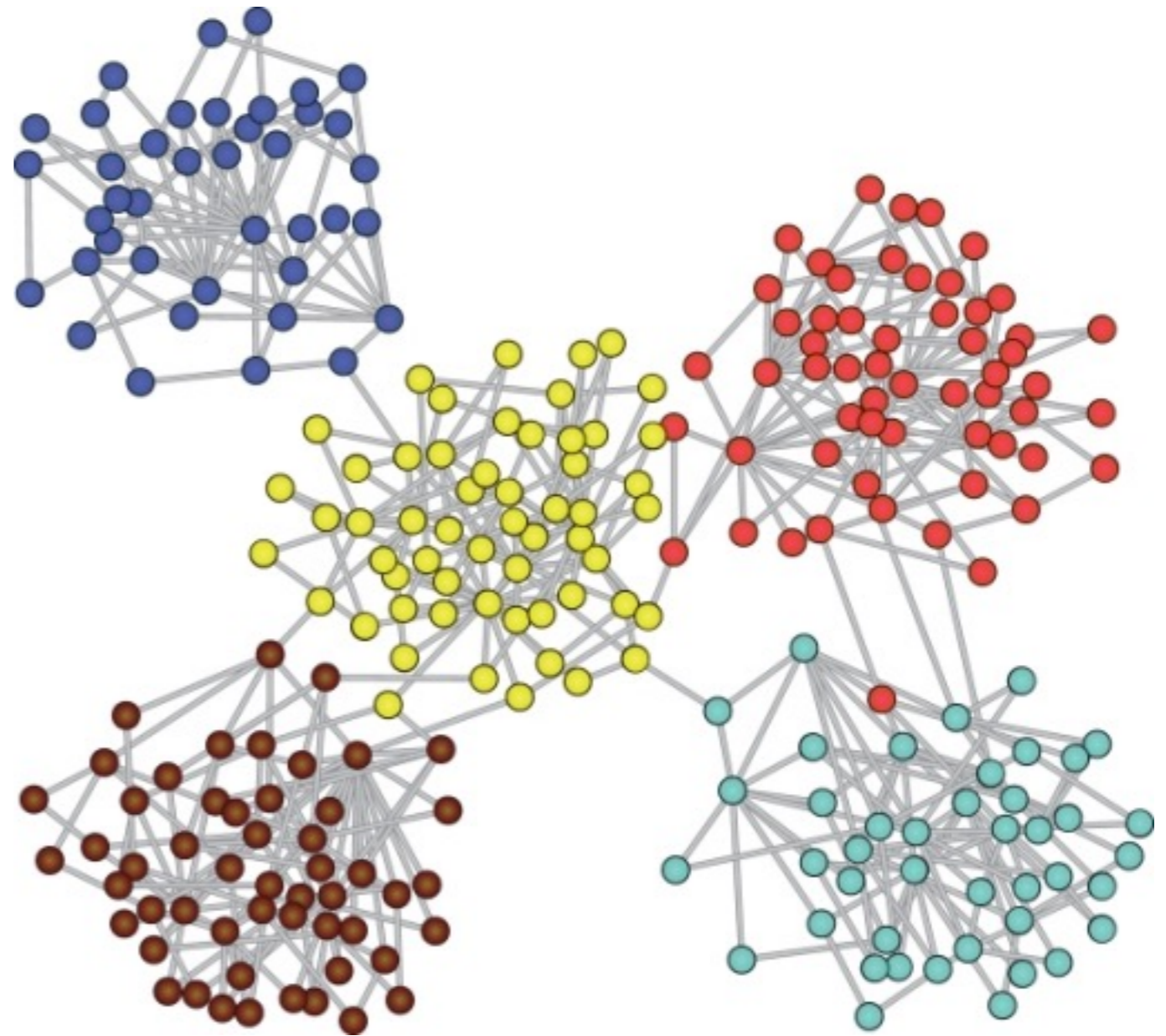
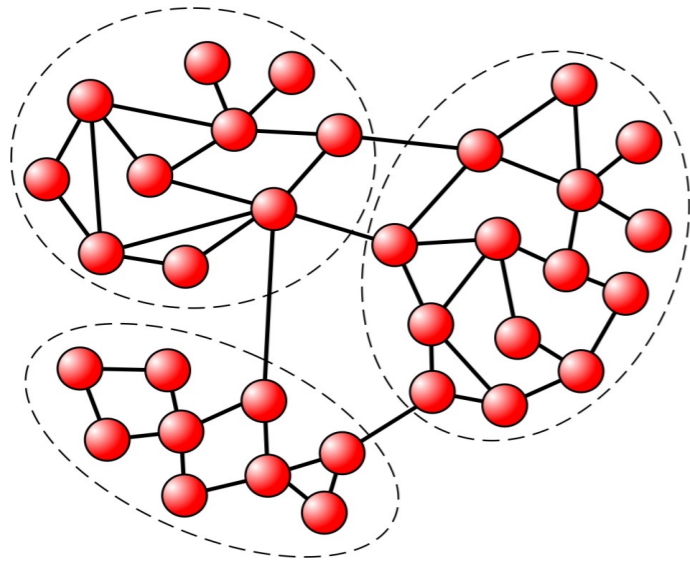


Distance = 3

Sociedade:
Six degrees
S. Milgram 1967

WWW:
19 degrees
Albert et al. 1999

Community structure

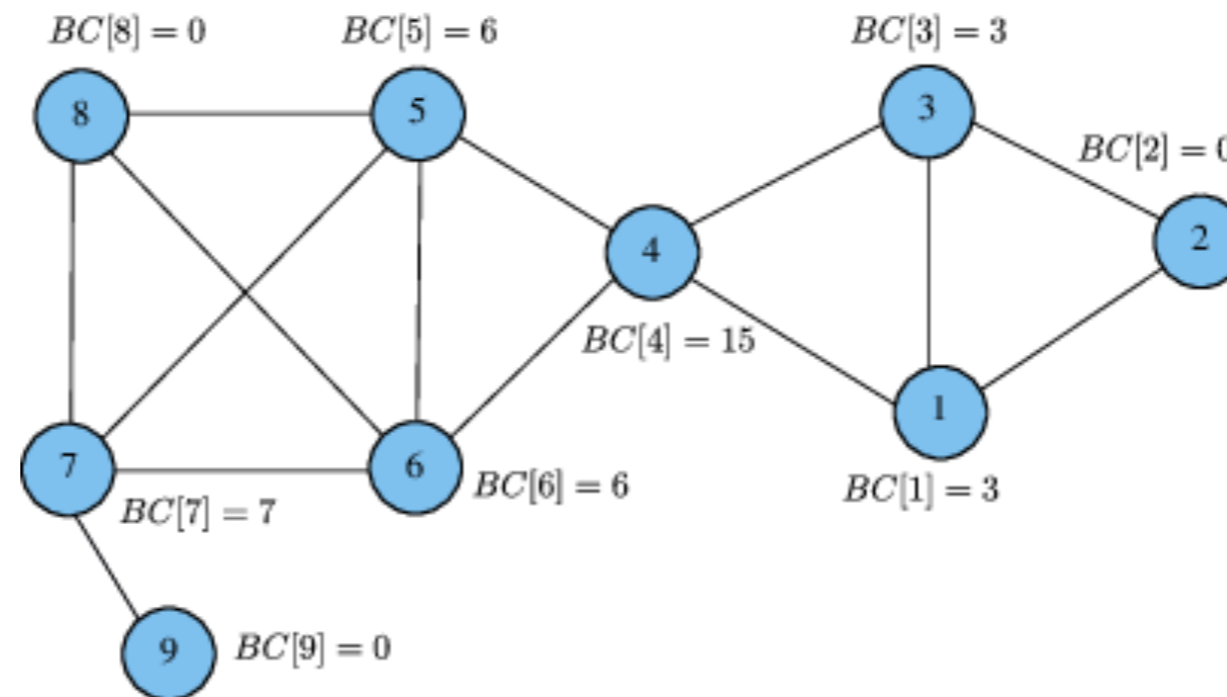


$$Q = \frac{1}{2L} \sum_{i=1}^N \sum_{j=1}^N (A_{ij} - P_{ij}) \delta_{g_i, g_j}$$

Centrality

Betweenness centrality

$$B_i = \sum_{(a,b)} \frac{\eta(a,i,b)}{\eta(a,b)},$$



Network measures

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Characterization of complex networks: A survey of measurements

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Each complex network (or class of networks) presents specific topological features which characterize its connectivity and highly influence the dynamics of processes executed on the network. The analysis, discrimination, and synthesis of complex networks therefore rely on the use of measurements capable of expressing the most relevant topological features. This article presents a survey of such measurements. It includes general considerations about complex network characterization, a brief review of the principal models, and the presentation of the main existing measurements. Important related issues covered in this work comprise the representation of the evolution of complex networks in terms of trajectories in several measurement spaces, the analysis of the correlations between some of the most traditional measurements, perturbation analysis, as well as the use of multivariate statistics for feature selection and network classification. Depending on the network and the analysis task one has in mind, a specific set of features may be chosen. It is hoped that the present survey will help the proper application and interpretation of measurements.

Measurement	Symbol
Mean geodesic distance	ℓ
Global efficiency	E
Harmonic mean distance	h
Vulnerability	V
Network clustering coefficient	C and \tilde{C}
Weighted clustering coefficient	C^w
Cyclic coefficient	Θ
Maximum degree	k_{\max}
Mean degree of the neighbors	$k_{\text{nn}}(k)$
Degree-degree correlation coefficient	r
Assortativity coefficient	\tilde{Q}, Q
Bipartivity degree	b and β
Degree Distribution entropy	$H(i)$
Average search information	S
Access information	A_i
Hide information	\mathcal{H}_i
Target entropy	\mathcal{T}
Road entropy	\mathcal{R}
Betweenness centrality	B_i
Central point dominance	CPD
l th moment	M_l
Modularity	Q
Participation coefficient	P_i
z -score	z_i
Significance profile	SP_i
Subgraph centrality	SC
Hierarchical clustering coefficient	C_{rs}
Convergence ratio	$cv_d(i)$
Divergence ratio	$dv_d(i)$
Edge reciprocity	ϱ and ρ
Matching index of edge (i, j)	μ_{ij}

Complex Systems

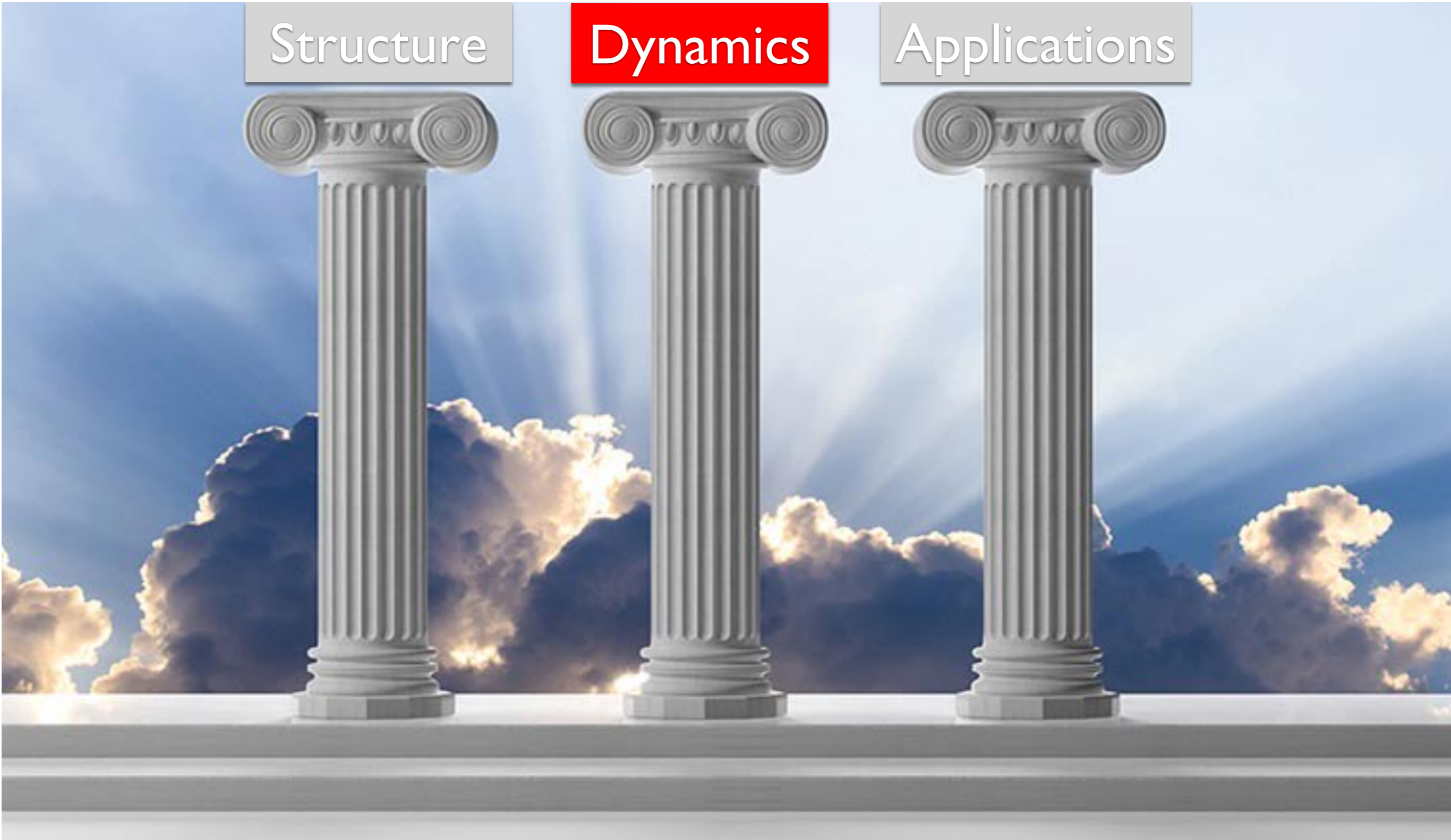
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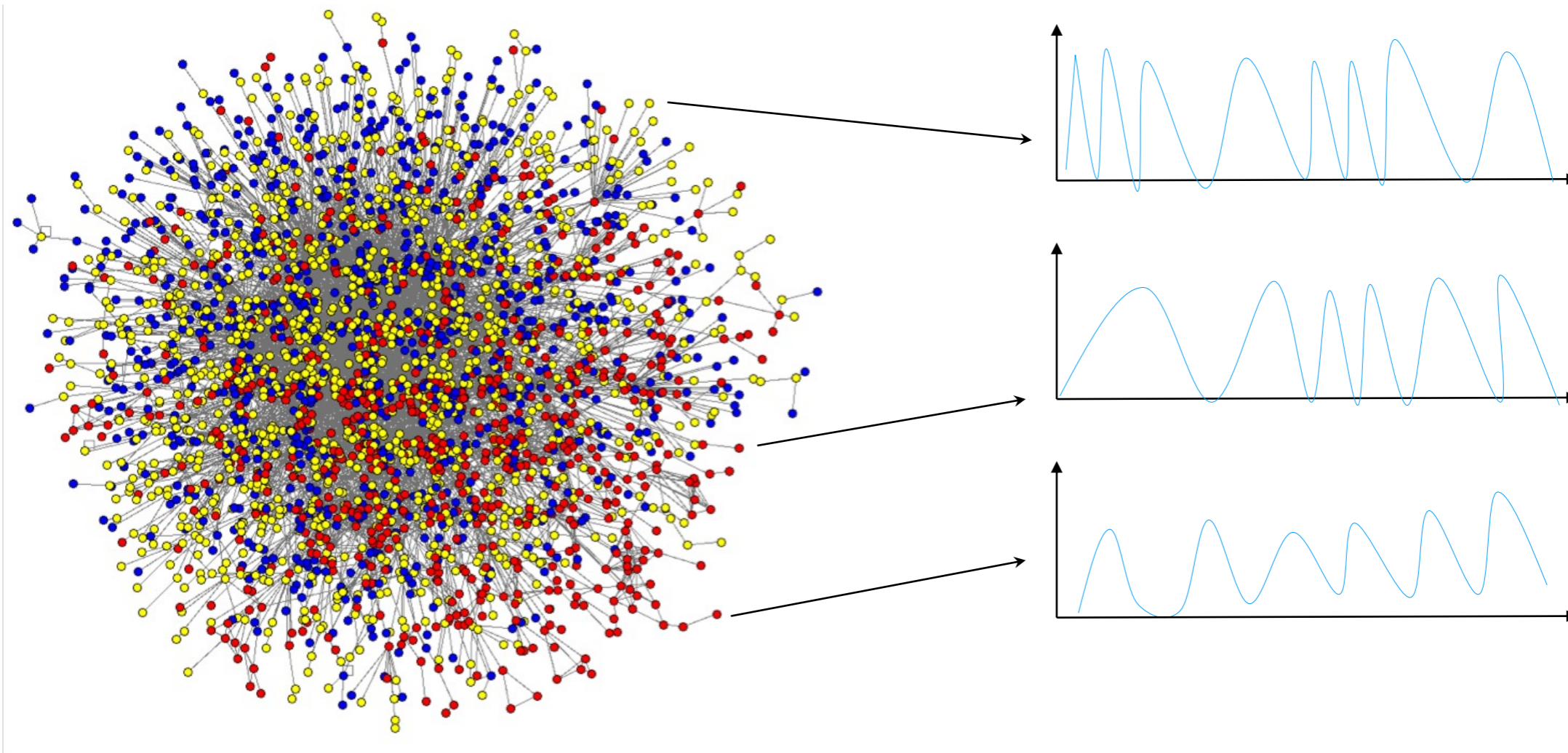


Dynamics



Applications

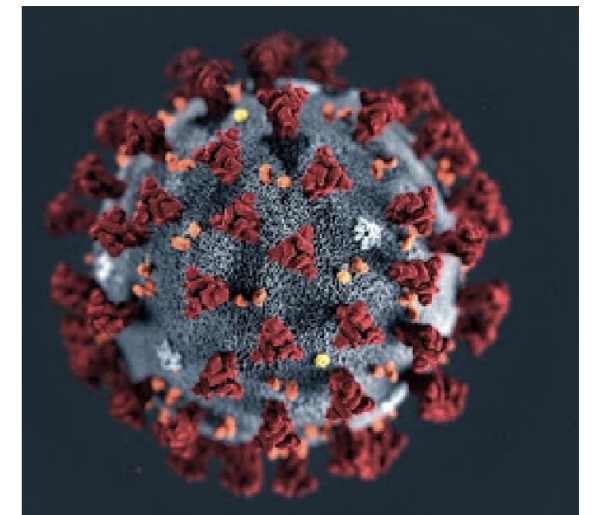
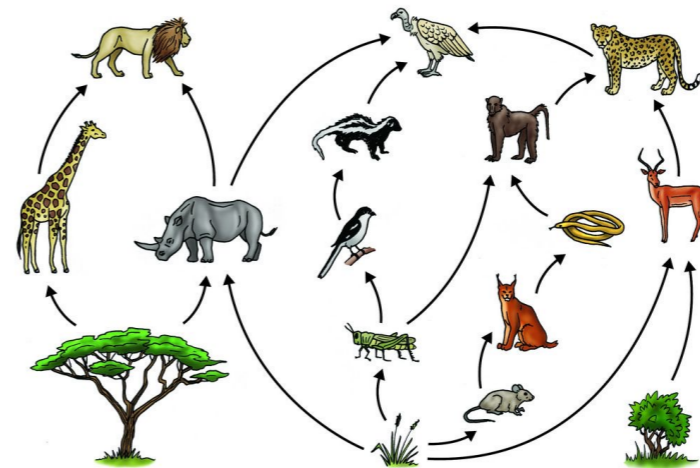
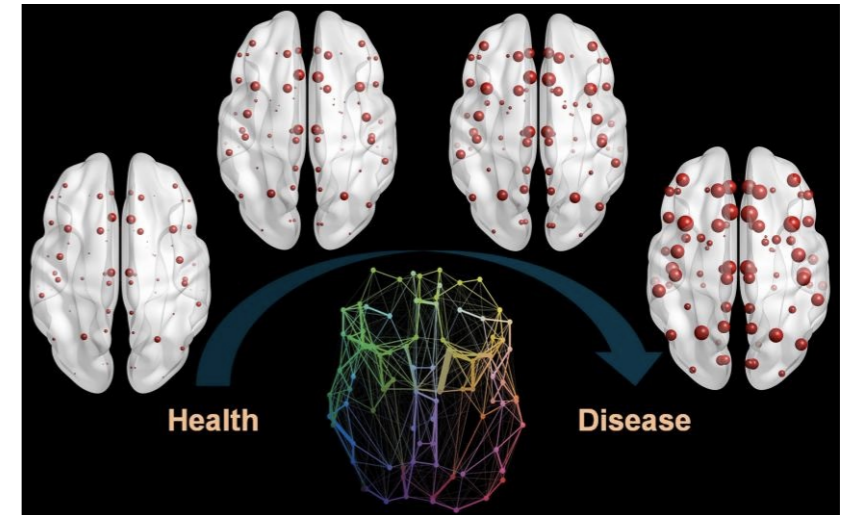




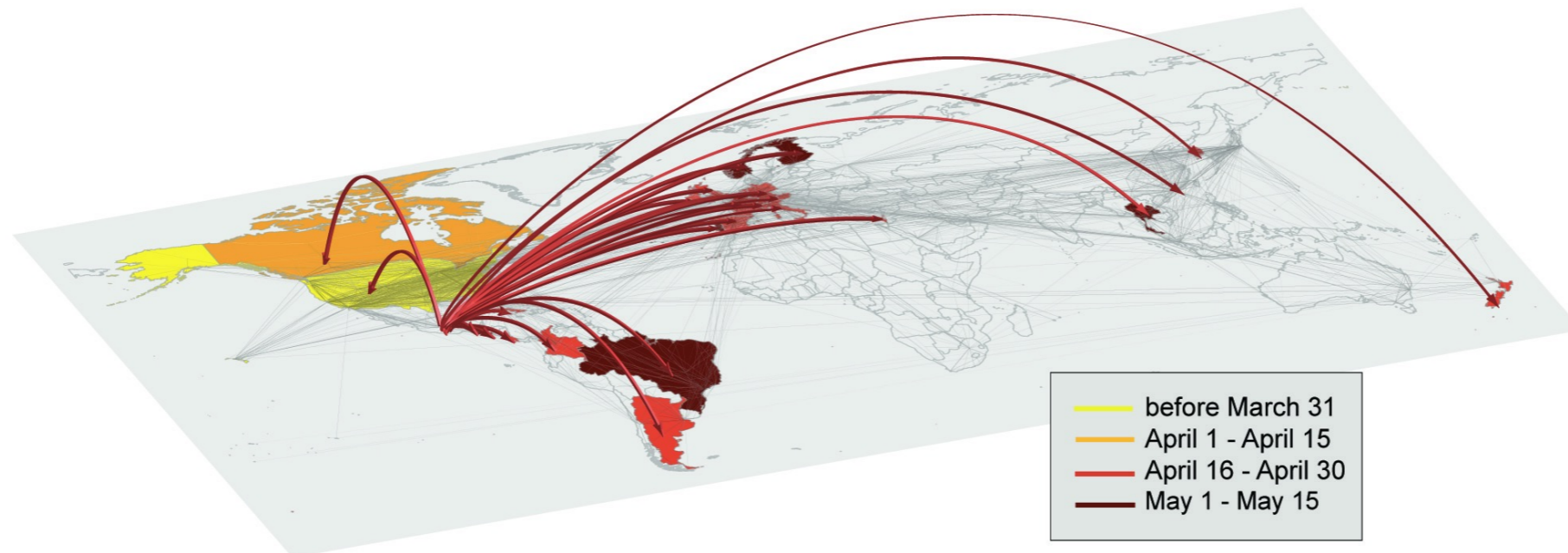
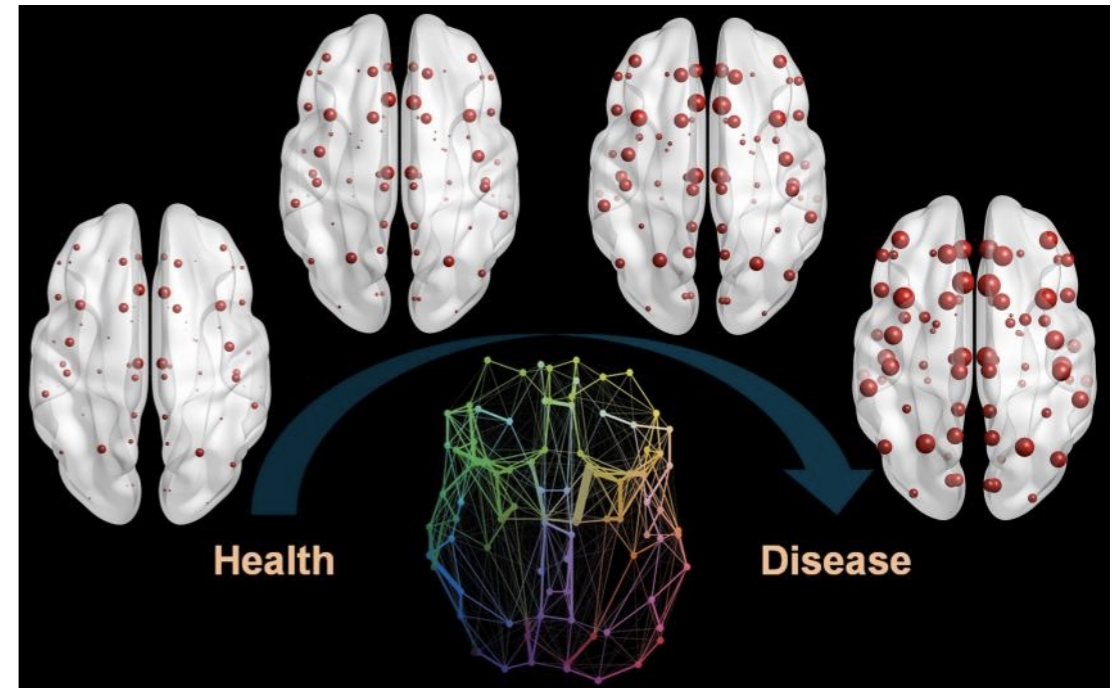
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Dynamical processes in networks

- Synchronization
- Epidemics Spreading
- Rumor Spreading
- Cascade failures
- Cooperation
- Opinion dynamics
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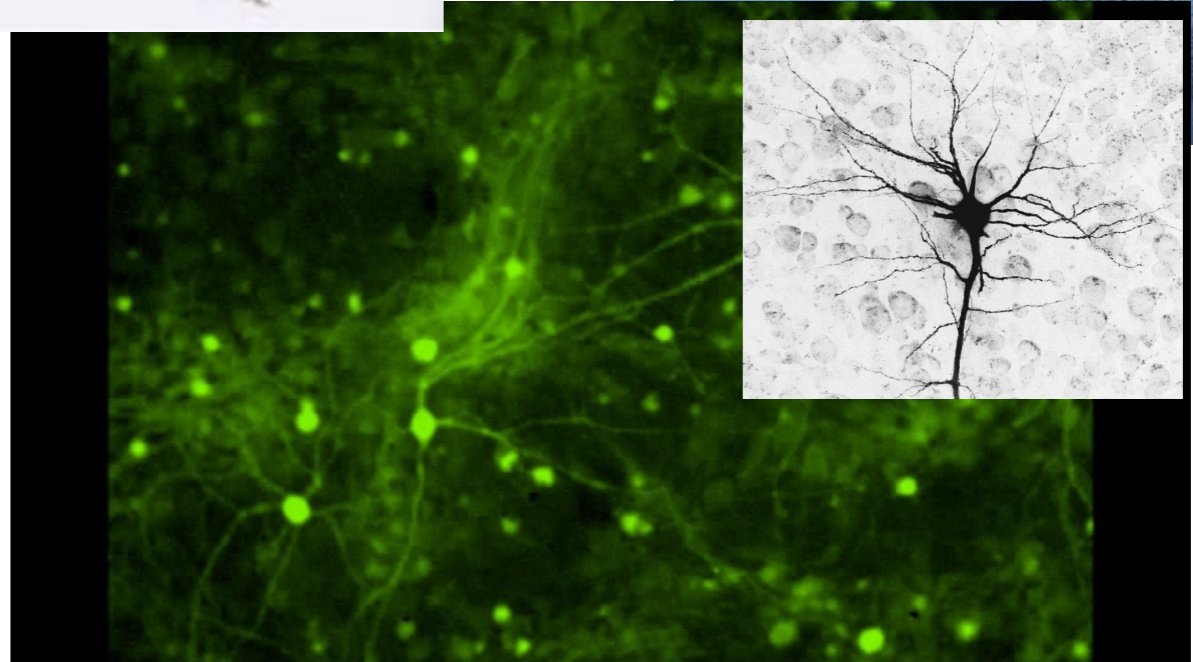
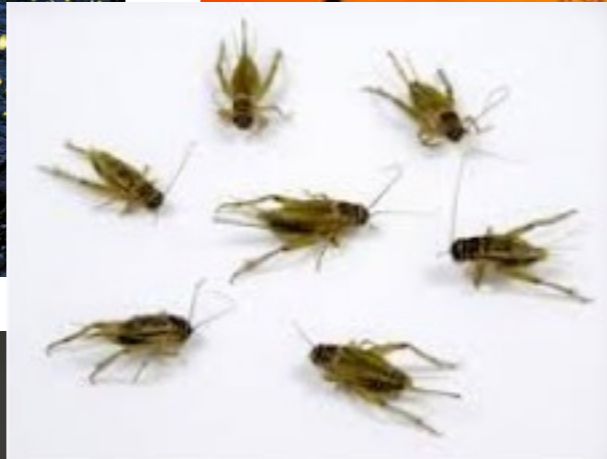


Structure X Dynamics



We can control dynamical processes by changing the network structure.

Synchronization



Synchronization



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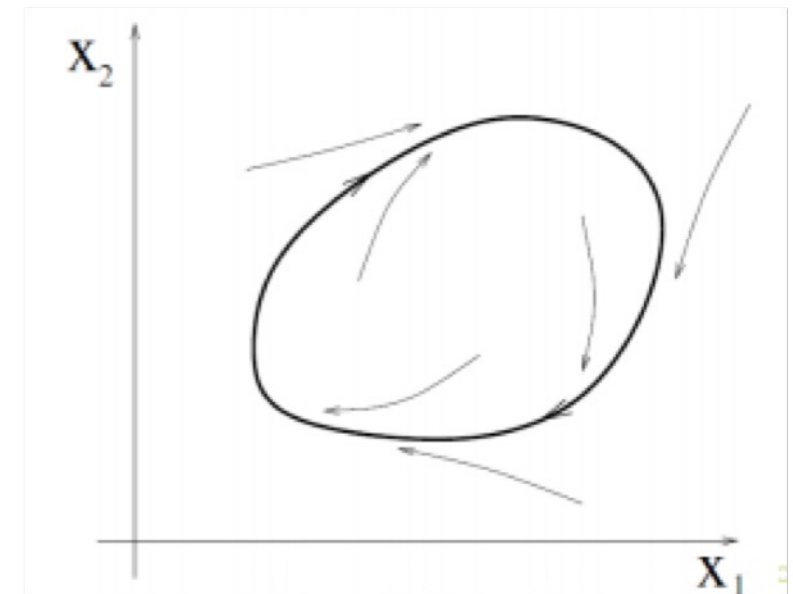
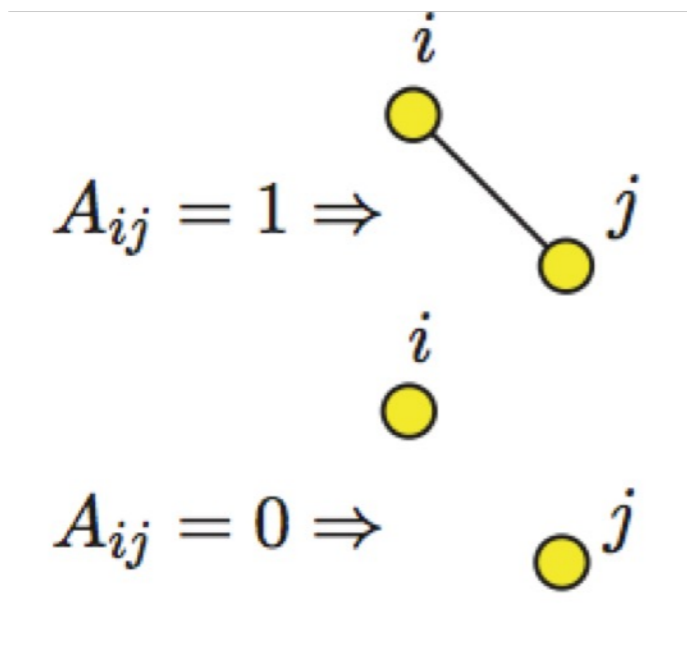
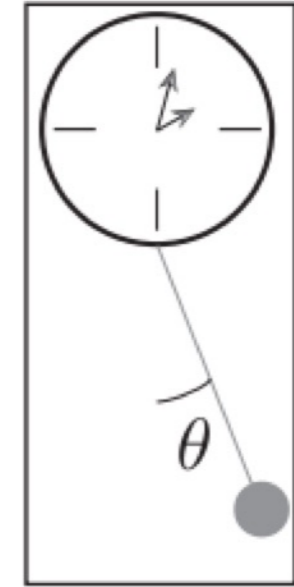
Kuramoto model

Coupling

$$\frac{d\theta_i(t)}{dt} = \omega_i + \lambda \sum_{j=1}^N A_{ij} \sin [\theta_j(t) - \theta_i(t)]$$

Natural frequency

Phase



Kuramoto model

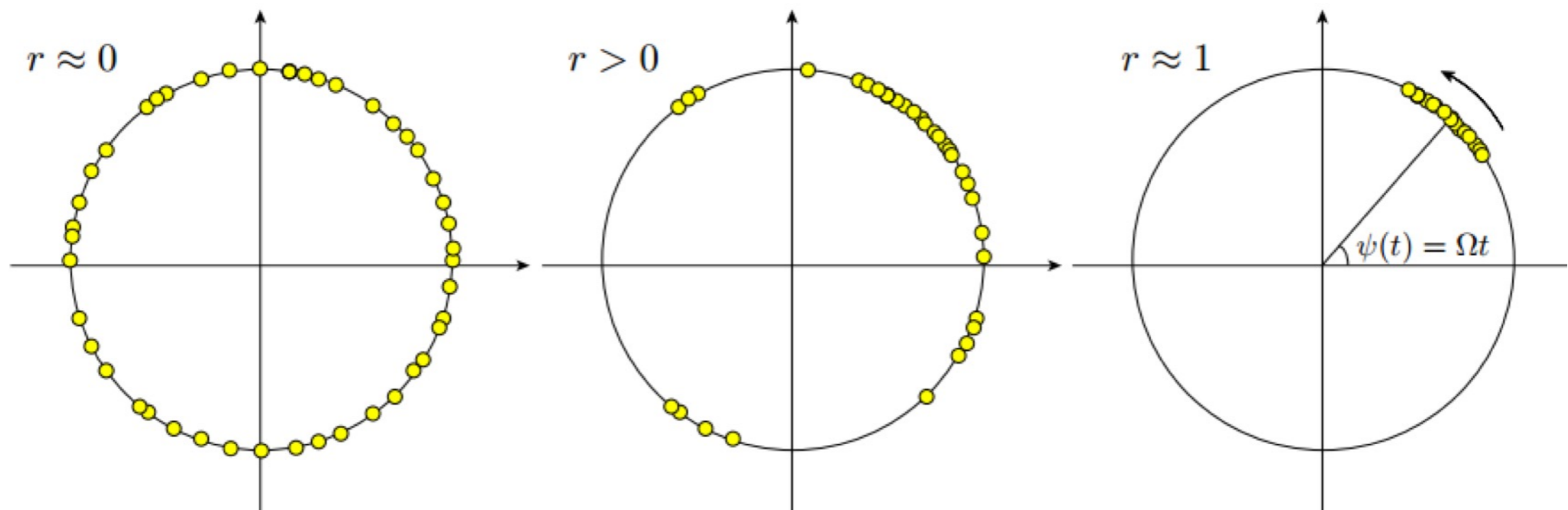
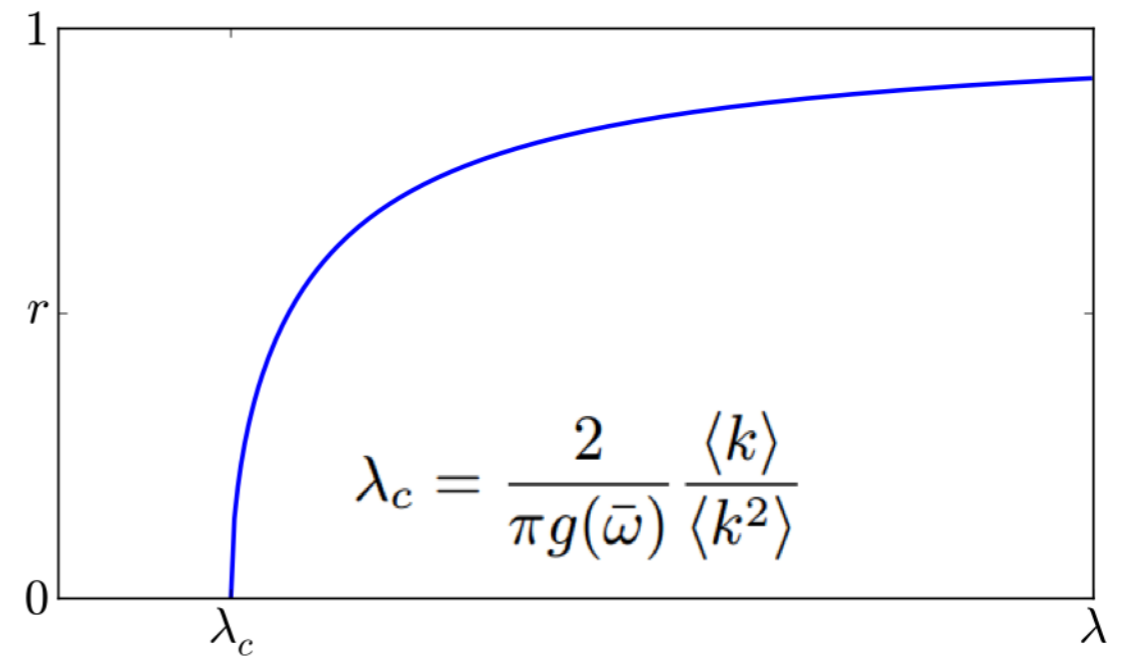
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Order parameter

$$r e^{i\psi(t)} = \frac{\sum_i r_i e^{i\theta_i(t)}}{\sum_i k_i}$$

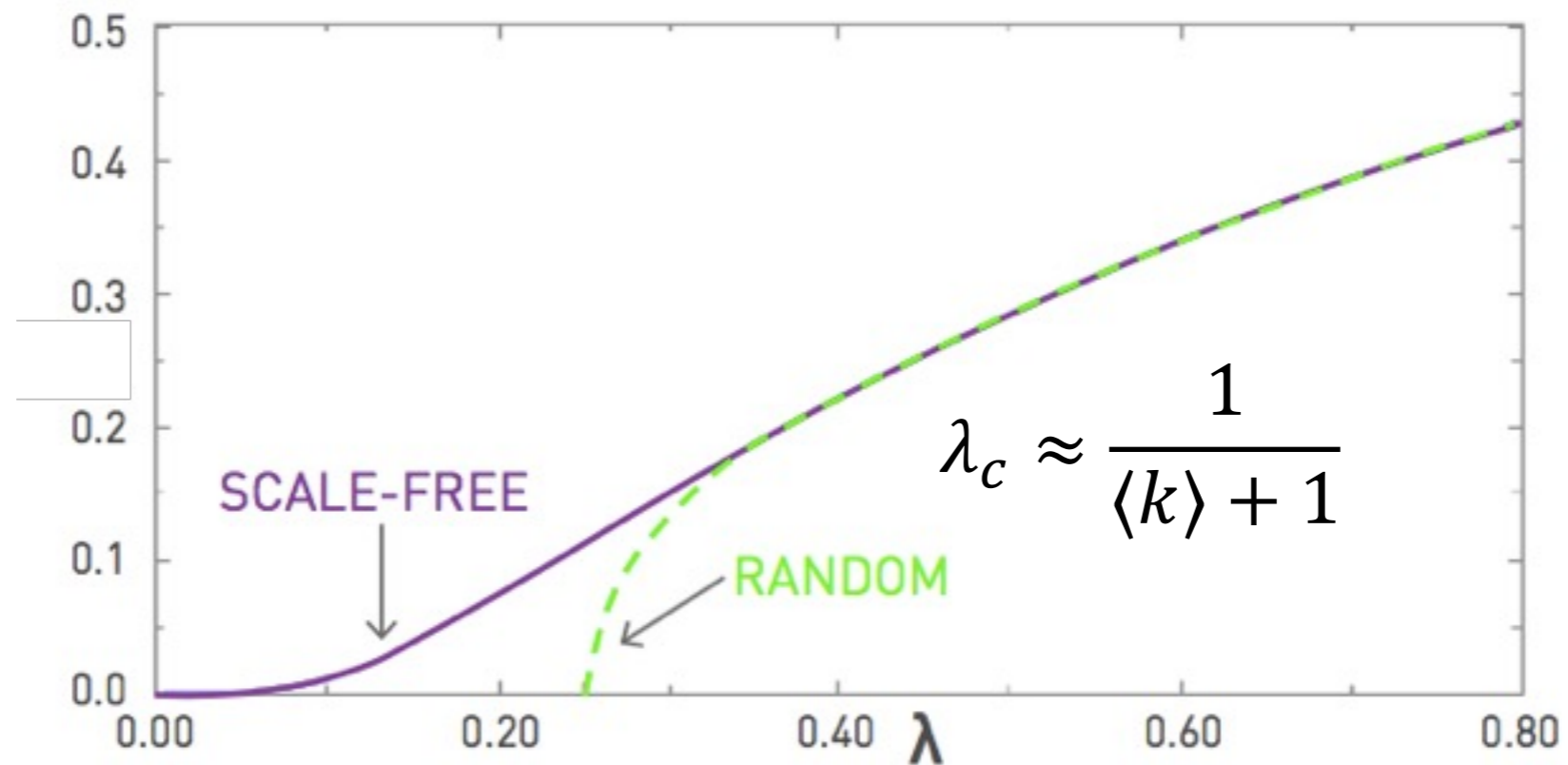
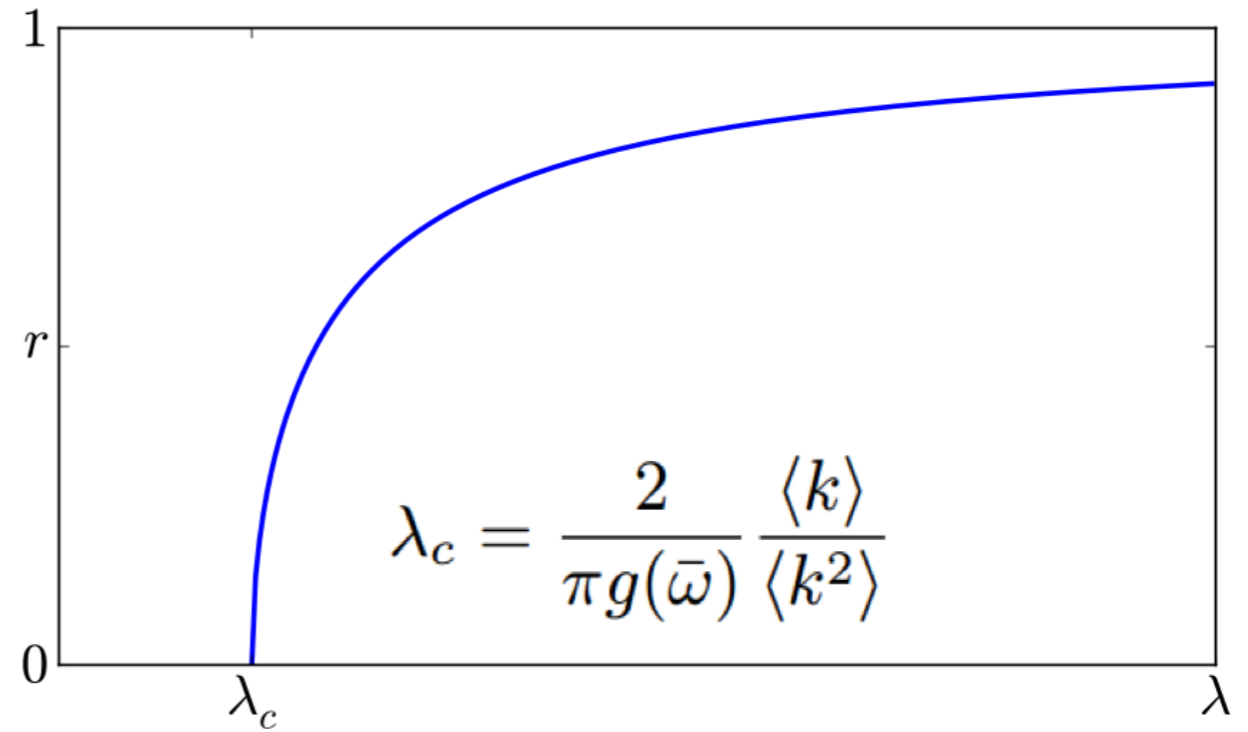
$$r_i e^{i\phi_i(t)} = \sum_{j=1}^N A_{ij} e^{i\theta_j(t)}$$

Continuous phase transition



Kuramoto model

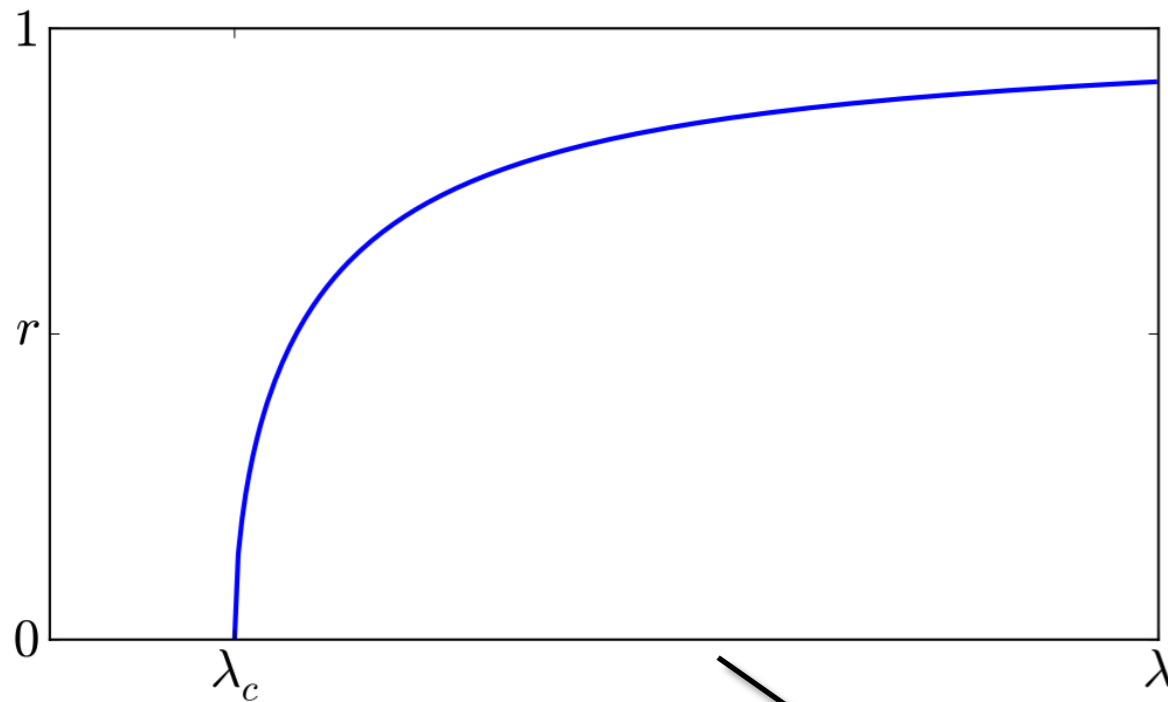
$$\frac{d\theta_i(t)}{dt} = \omega_i + \lambda \sum_{j=1}^N A_{ij} \sin [\theta_j(t) - \theta_i(t)]$$



$$\lambda_c \approx \frac{\langle k \rangle}{\langle k^2 \rangle} \approx 0$$

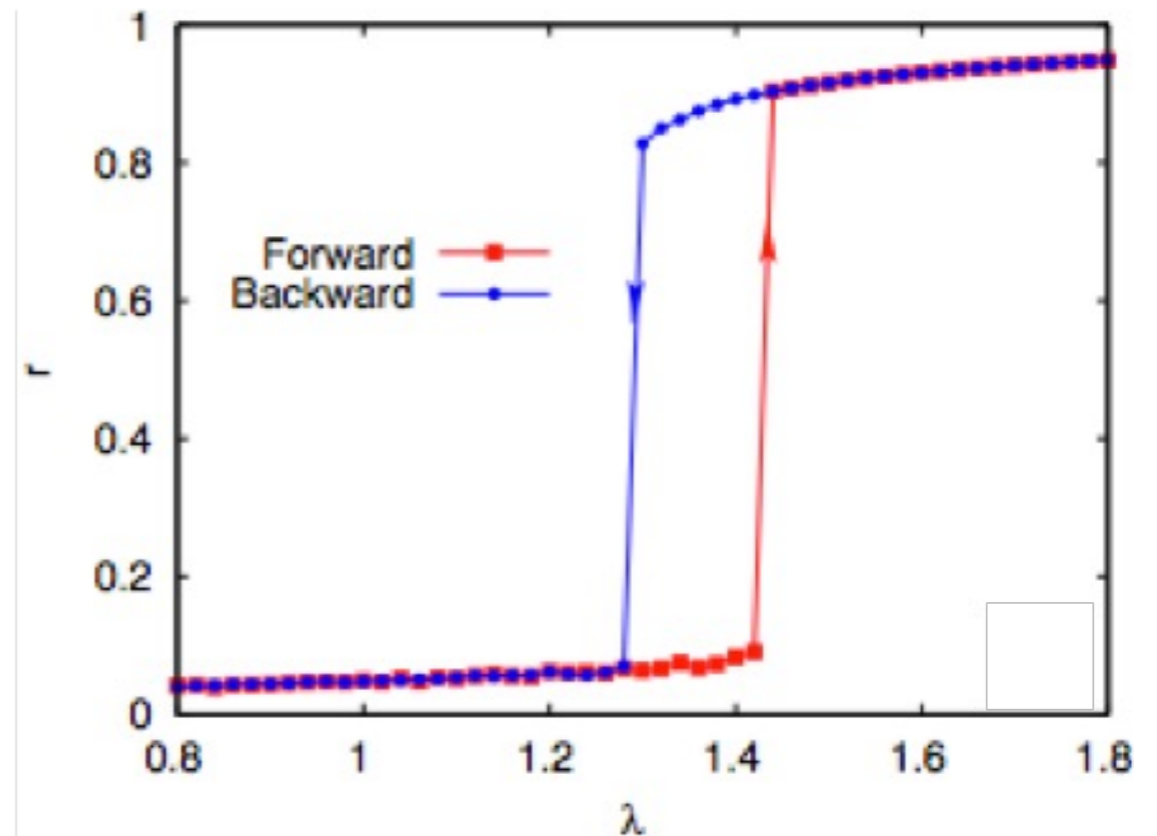
Explosive synchronization

Continuous phase transition



$$\frac{d\theta_i(t)}{dt} = \omega_i + \lambda \sum_{i=1}^N A_{ij} \sin [\theta_j(t) - \theta_i(t)]$$

First-order phase transition



$$\frac{d\theta_i(t)}{dt} = k_i + \lambda \sum_{i=1}^N A_{ij} \sin [\theta_j(t) - \theta_i(t)]$$

Explosive synchronization

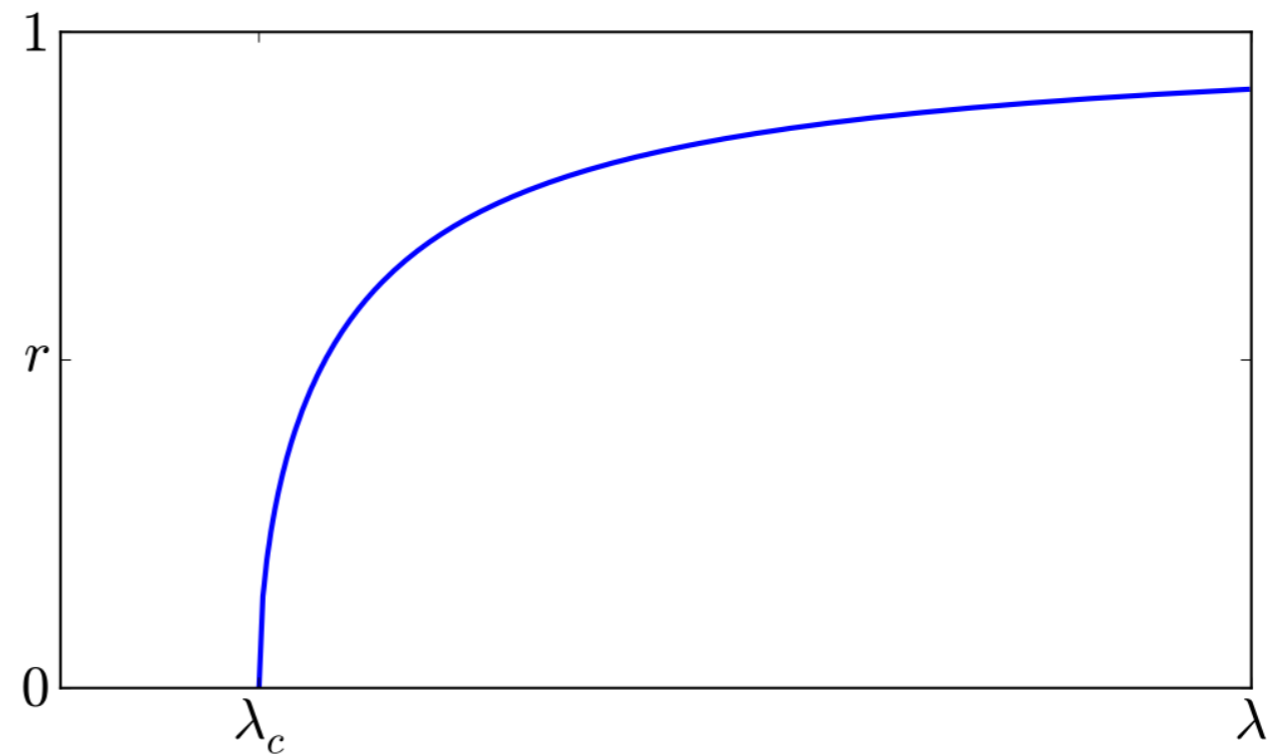
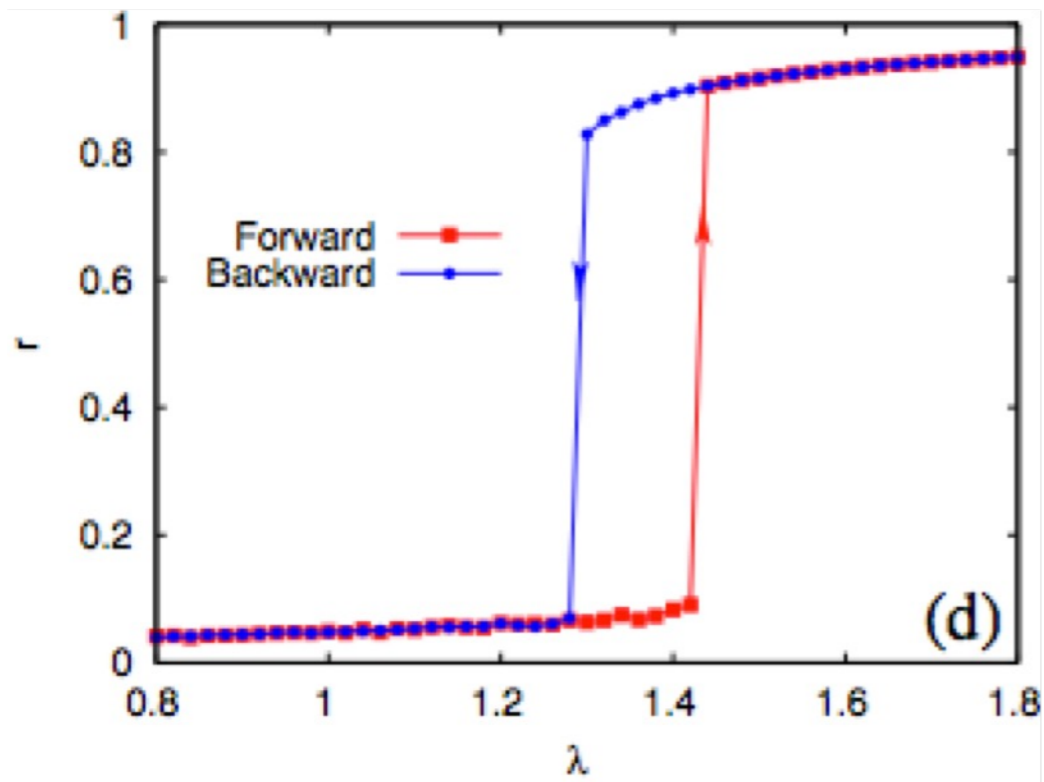
$$\omega_i = k_i$$

$$\lambda_c = \frac{2}{\pi \langle k \rangle P(\langle k \rangle)}$$

$$\frac{d\theta_i(t)}{dt} = \omega_i + \lambda \sum_{j=1}^N A_{ij} \sin [\theta_j(t) - \theta_i(t)]$$

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$$\lambda_c = \frac{2}{\pi g(\bar{\omega})} \frac{\langle k \rangle}{\langle k^2 \rangle}$$

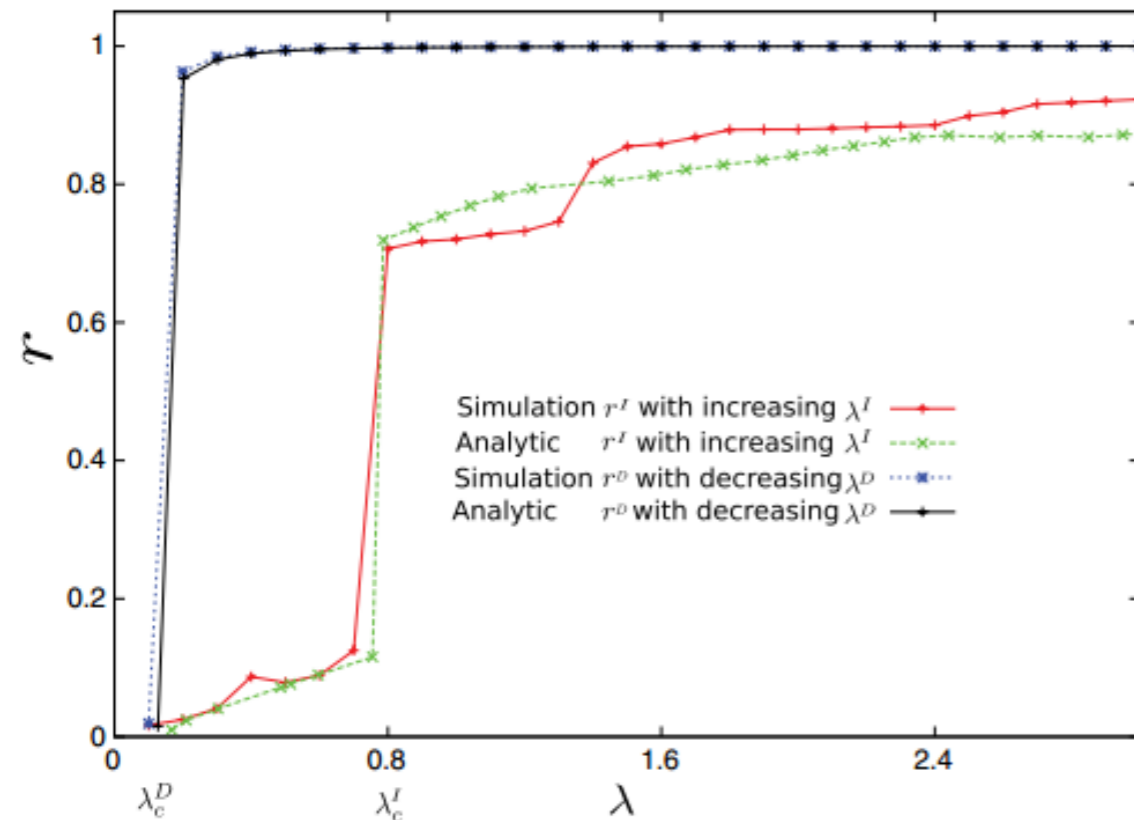


Second-order Kuramoto model

$$\frac{d^2\theta_i}{dt^2} = -\alpha \frac{d\theta_i}{dt} + \Omega_i + \sum_{j=1}^N \lambda_{ij} A_{ij} \sin(\theta_j - \theta_i).$$



$$\Omega_i = D(k_i - \langle k \rangle)$$



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Cluster Explosive Synchronization in Complex Networks

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The emergence of explosive synchronization has been reported as an abrupt transition in complex networks of first-order Kuramoto oscillators. In this Letter we demonstrate that the nodes in a second-order Kuramoto model perform a cascade of transitions toward a synchronous macroscopic state, which is a novel phenomenon that we call cluster explosive synchronization. We provide a rigorous analytical treatment using a mean-field analysis in uncorrelated networks. Our findings are in good agreement with numerical simulations and fundamentally deepen the understanding of microscopic mechanisms toward synchronization.

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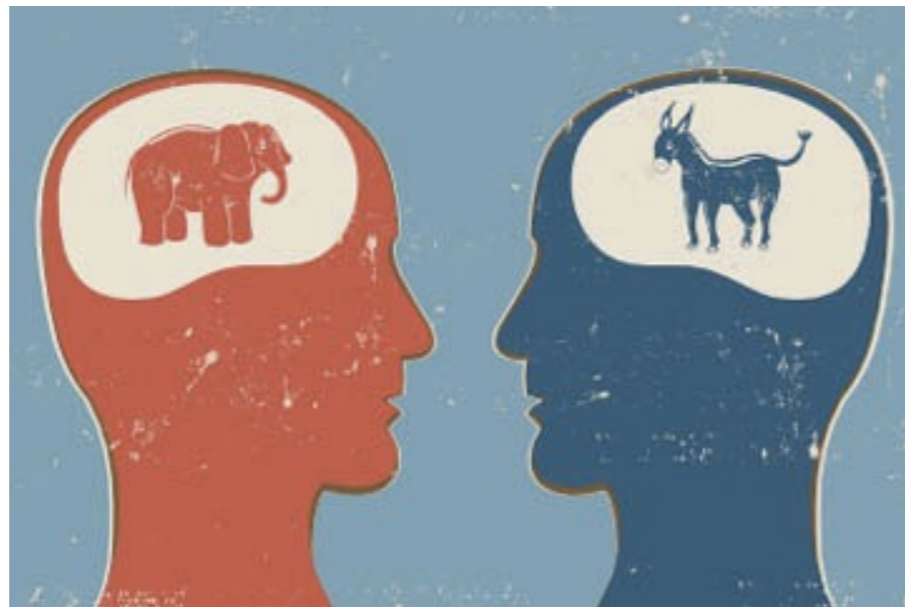
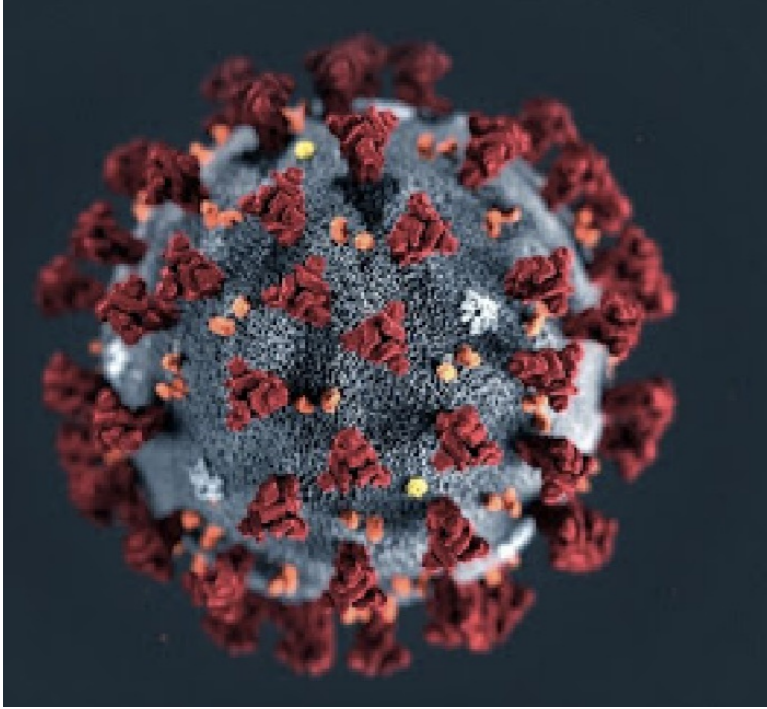
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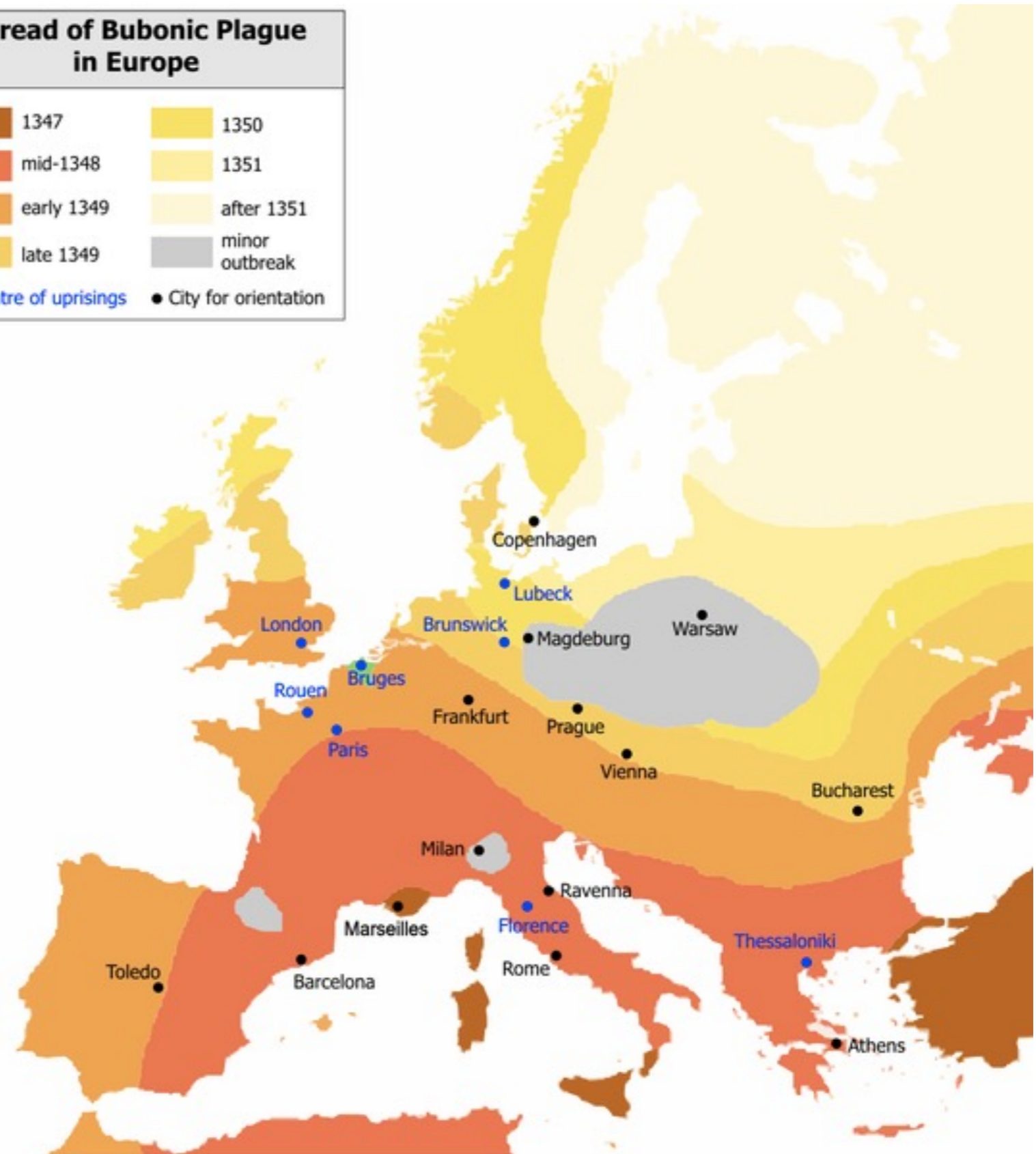
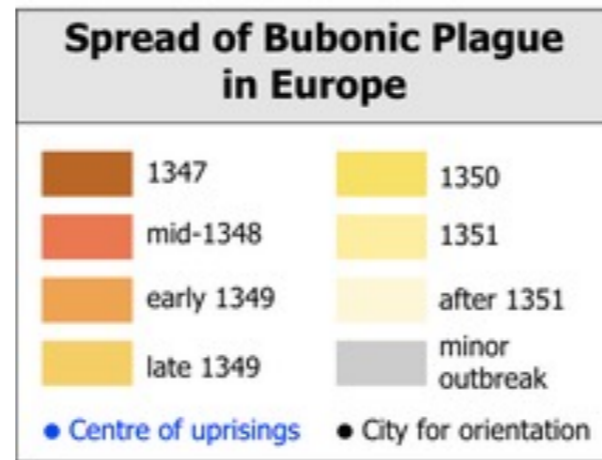
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Spreading

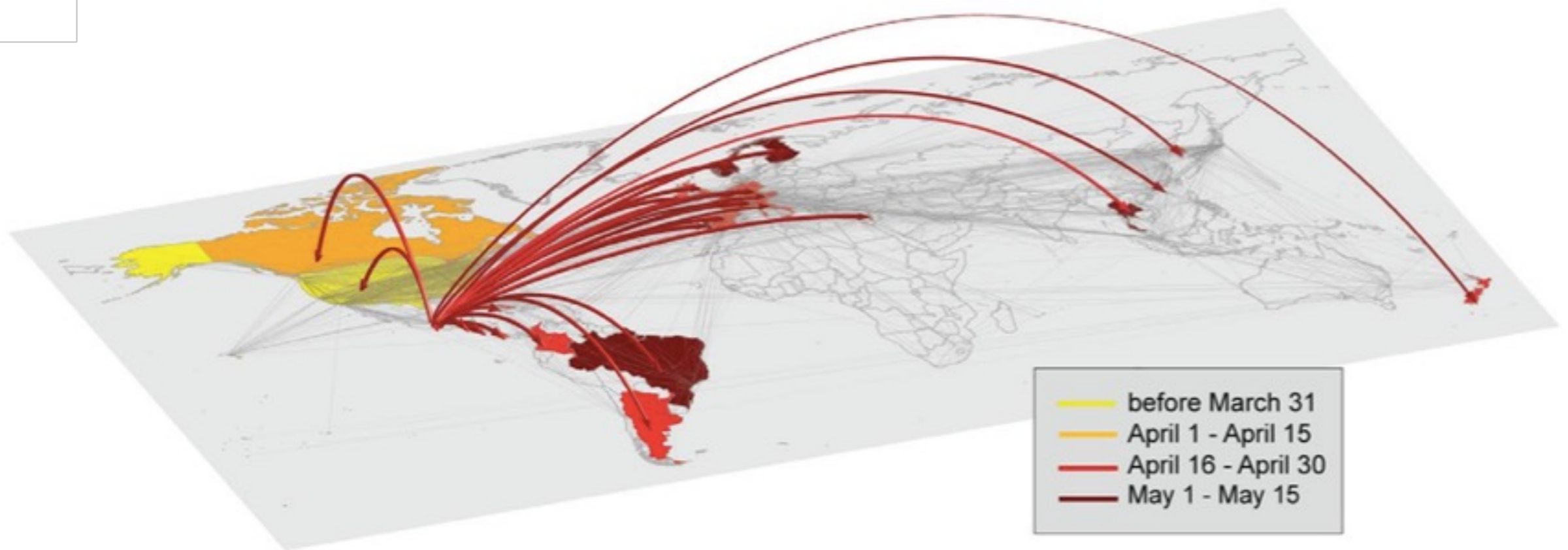


Bubonic Plague



H1N1

2009 flu pandemic



Spreading depends on the network structure!



How to study epidemic processes?

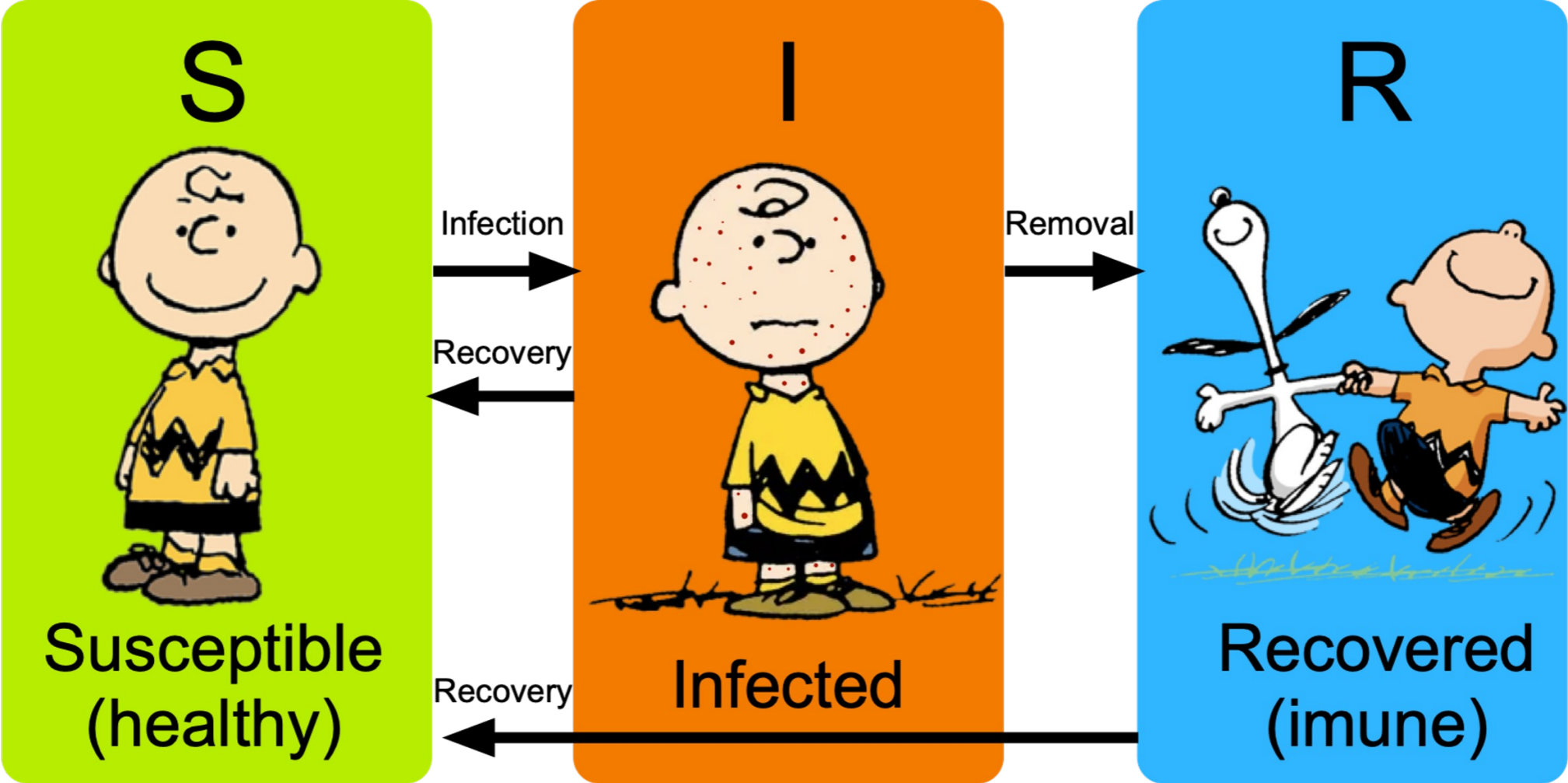
Theoretical:

- Mathematical models
- Agent-based models

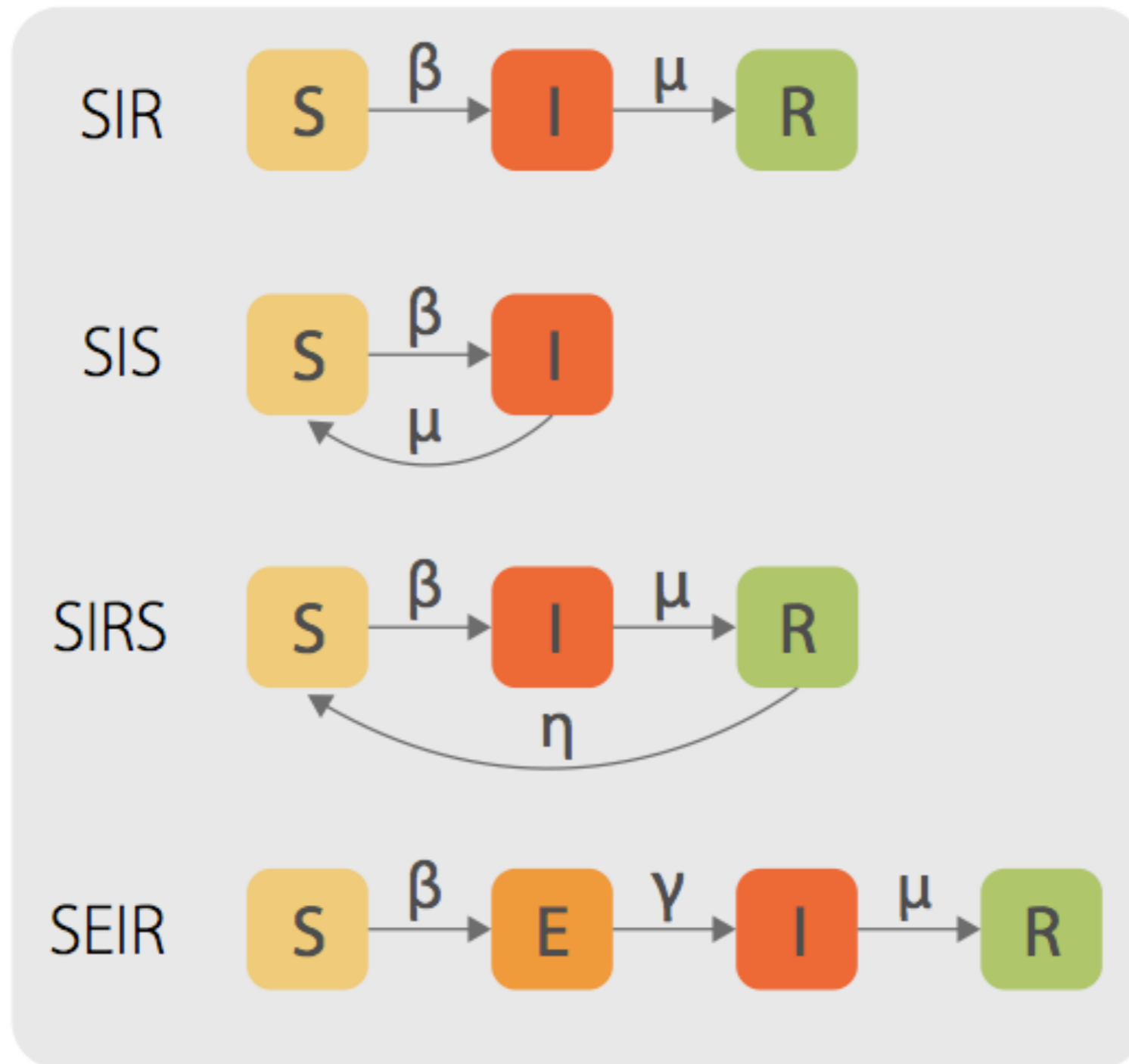
Data Driven:

- Mathematical Models
- Time series forecasting (ML, Statistics)

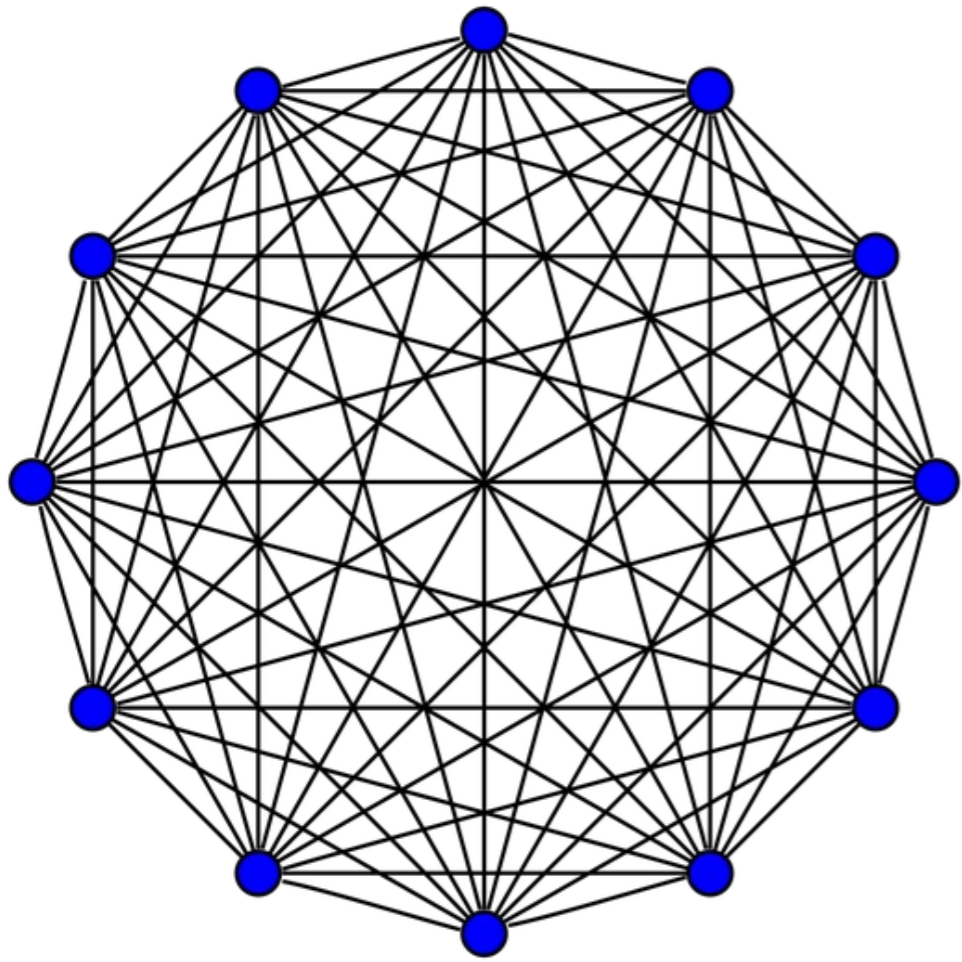
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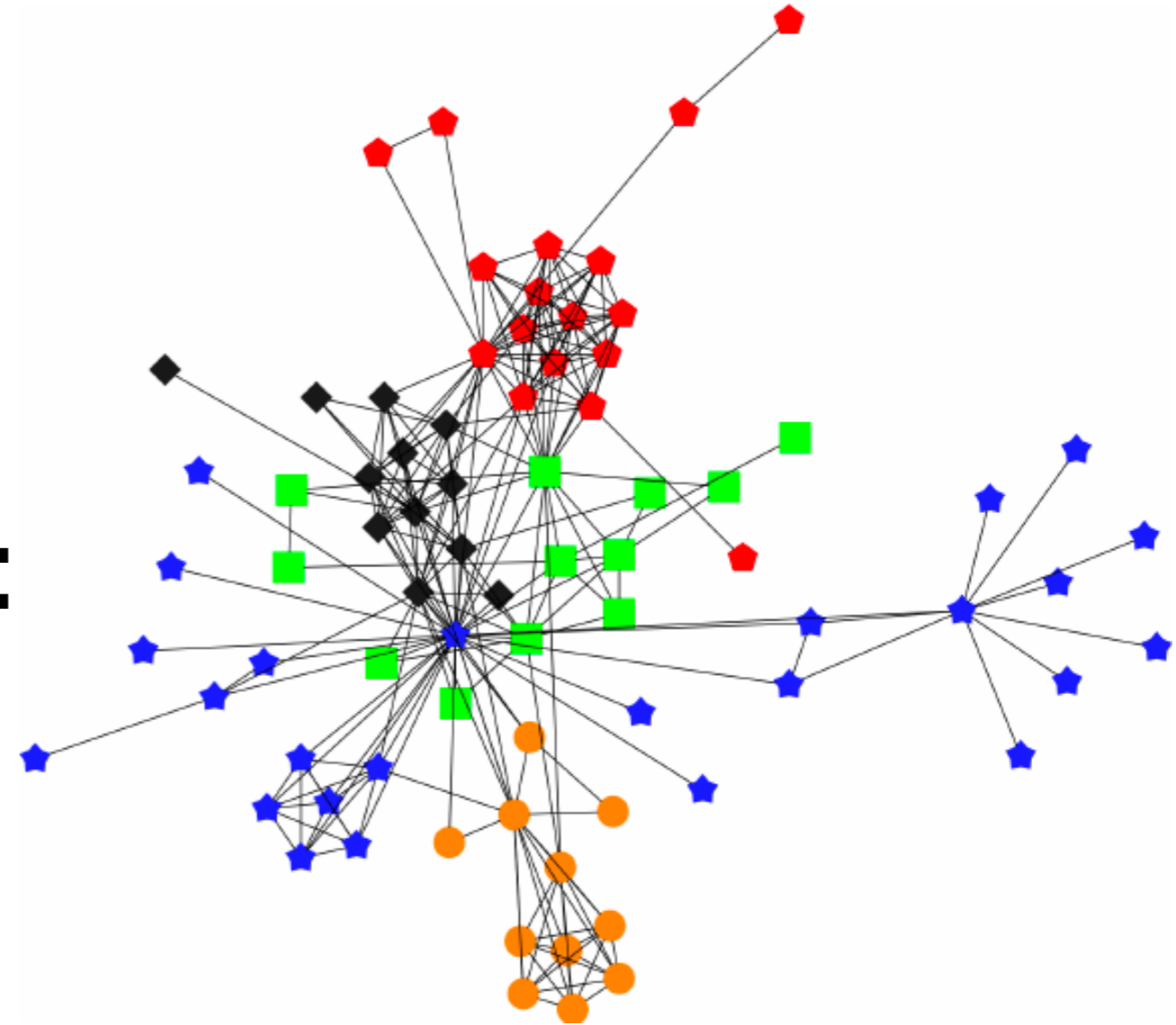
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- A. G. McKendrick and W. O. Kermack (1927): deterministic model.

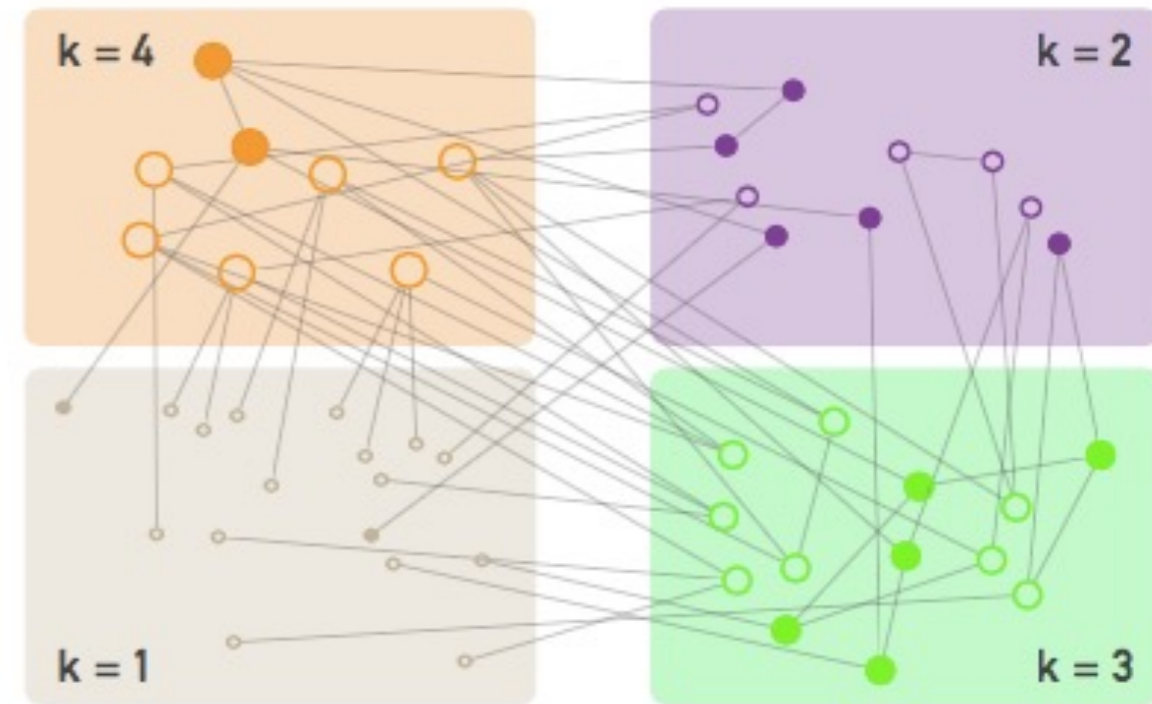
Epidemic spreading in heterogeneous networks

Degree-based mean field: SIS model

$$\frac{di_k}{dt} = \beta(1 - i_k)k\Theta_k(t) - \mu i_k$$

$$\Theta_k = \frac{\sum_{k'} k' p_{k'} i_{k'}}{\langle k \rangle} = \Theta$$

the fraction of infected neighbors of a susceptible node k



Keeping only the first order terms:

$$\frac{di_k}{dt} = \beta k \Theta - \mu i_k$$

Multiplying the equation with $(k-1)p_k / \langle k \rangle$ and summing over k

$$\frac{d\Theta}{dt} = \left(\beta \frac{\langle k^2 \rangle}{\langle k \rangle} - \mu \right) \Theta$$

$$\Theta(t) = C e^{t/\tau}$$

$$\tau = \frac{\langle k \rangle}{\beta \langle k^2 \rangle - \langle k \rangle \mu}$$

characteristic time

Epidemic spreading in heterogeneous networks

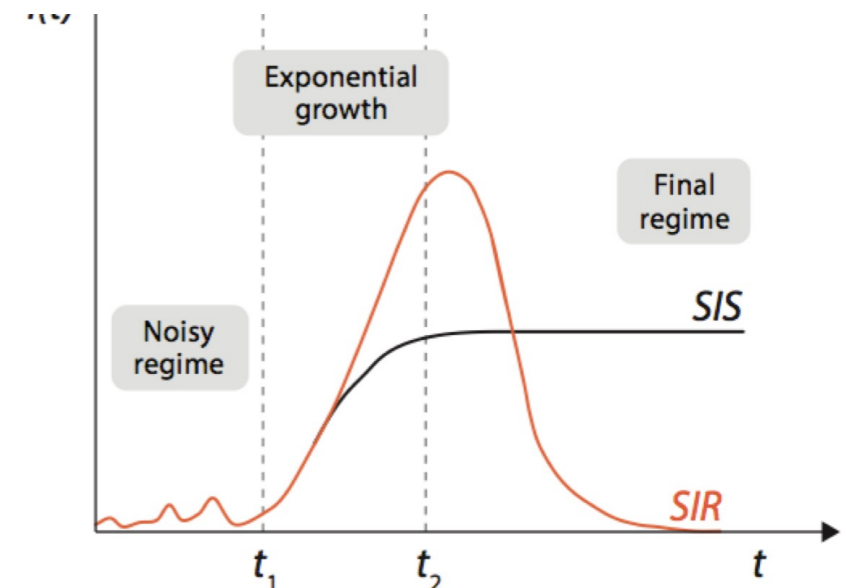
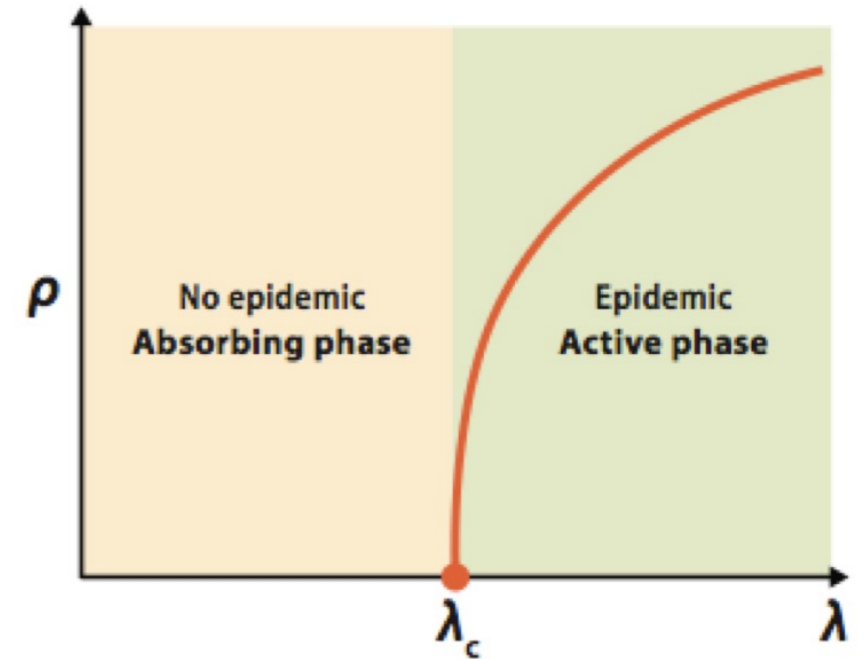
Degree-based mean field: SIS model

$$\Theta(t) = Ce^{t/\tau}, \quad \tau = \frac{\langle k \rangle}{\beta \langle k^2 \rangle - \langle k \rangle \mu}$$

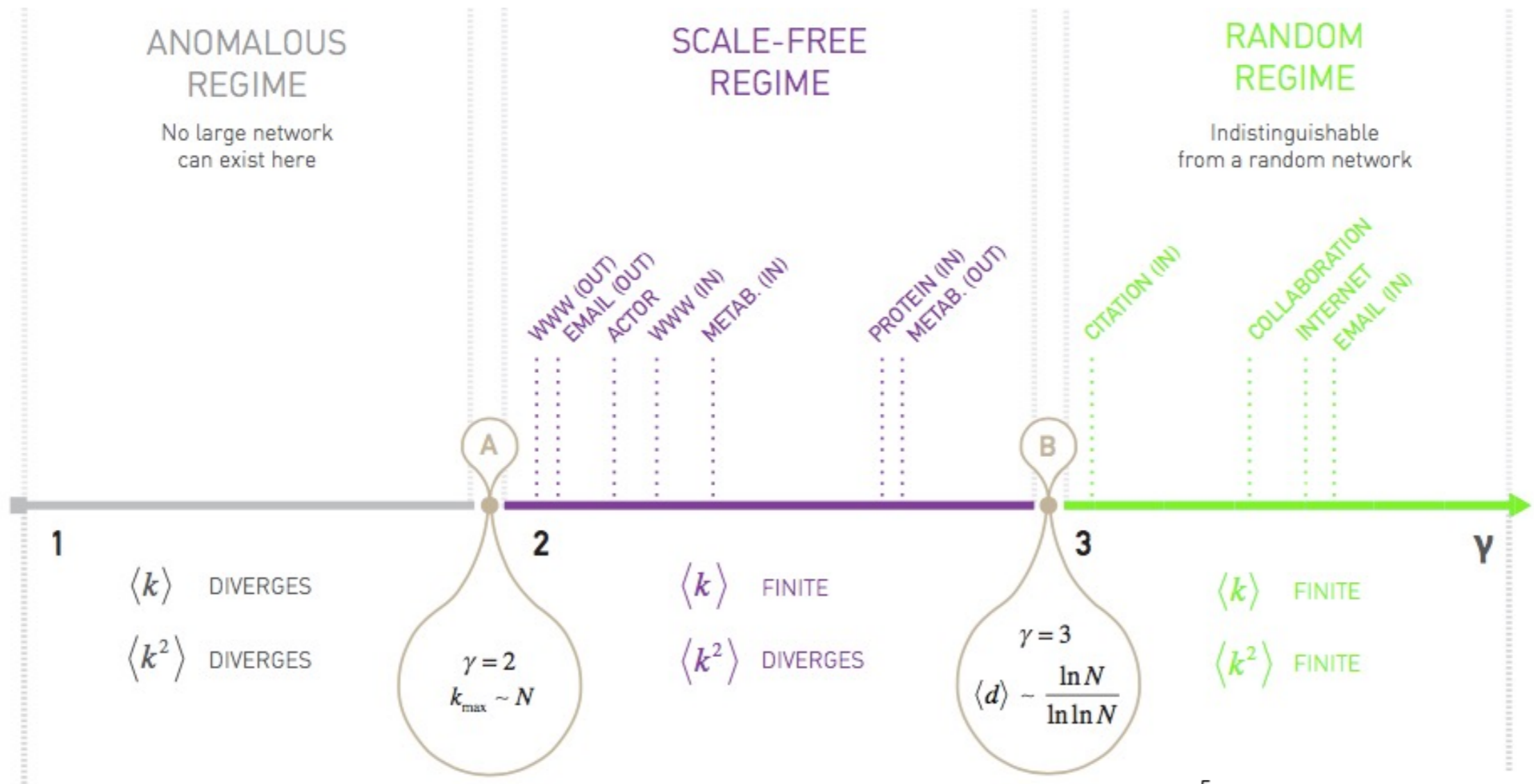
A global outbreak is possible if $\tau > 0$, which yields the condition for a global outbreak as

$$\lambda = \frac{\beta}{\mu} > \frac{\langle k \rangle}{\langle k^2 \rangle}$$

$$\lambda_c = \frac{\langle k \rangle}{\langle k^2 \rangle}$$

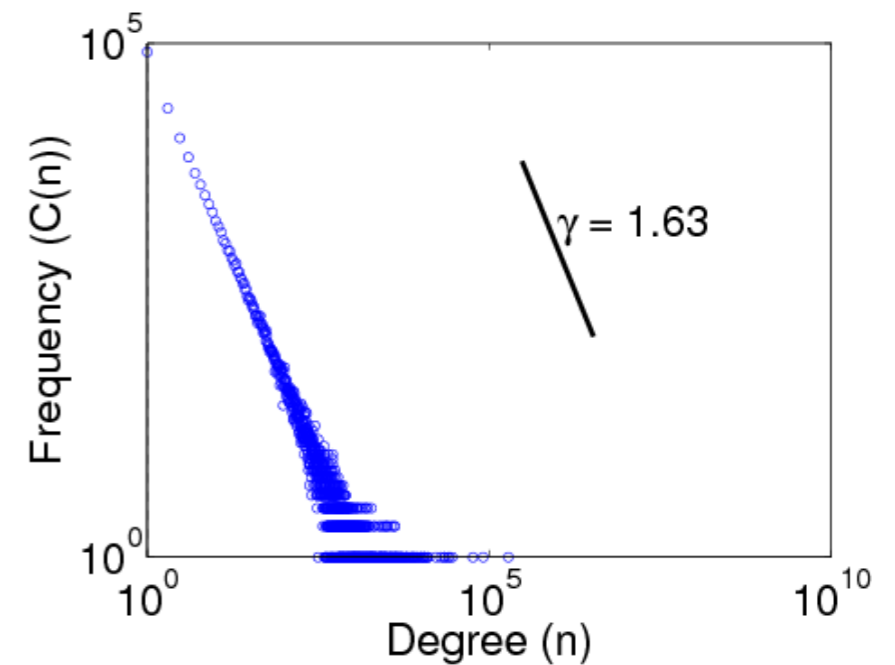


Scale-free networks

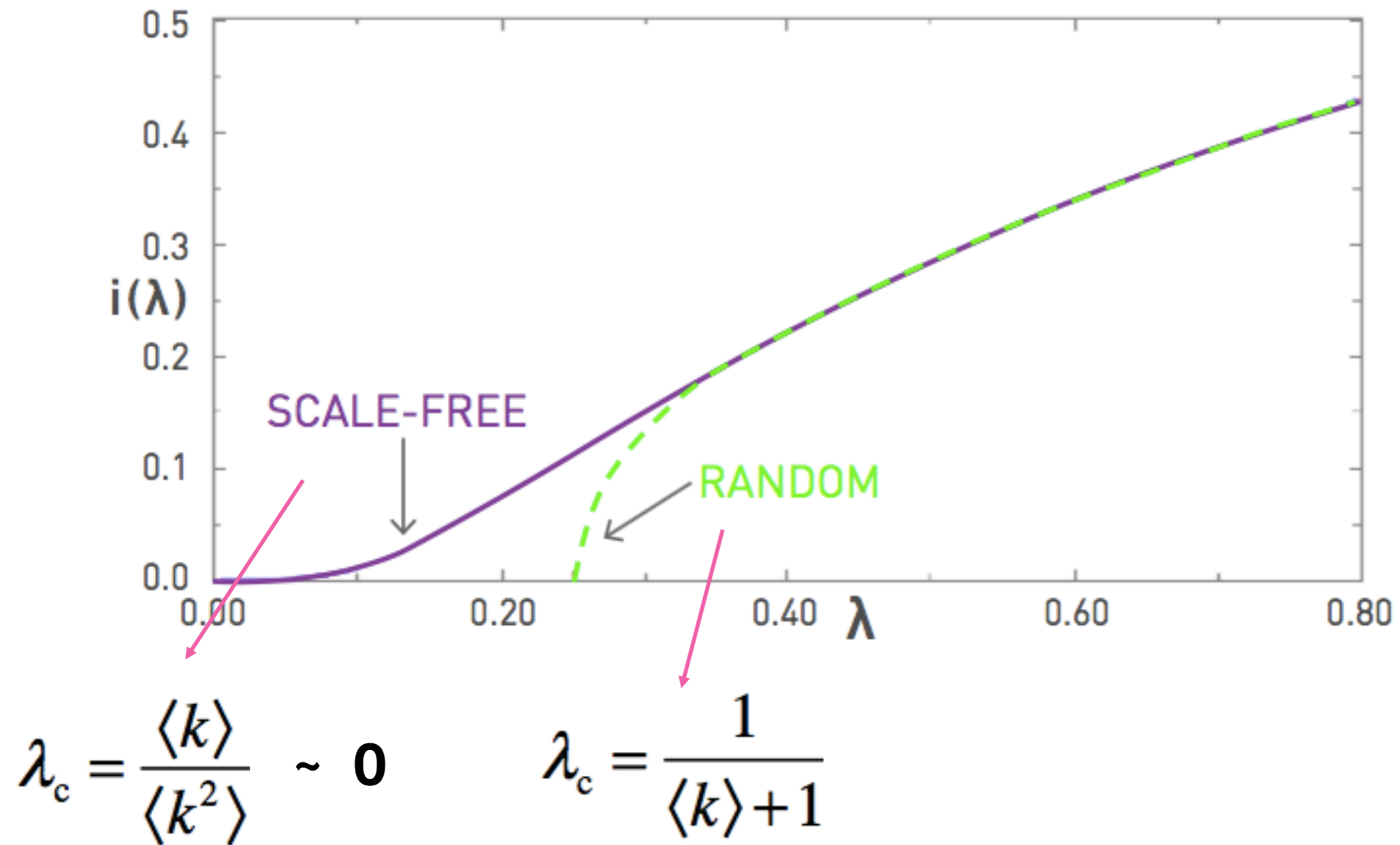


$$P(k) \sim k^{-\gamma}$$

$$\lambda_c = \frac{\langle k \rangle}{\langle k^2 \rangle}$$

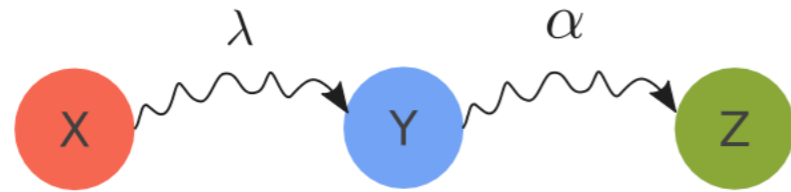


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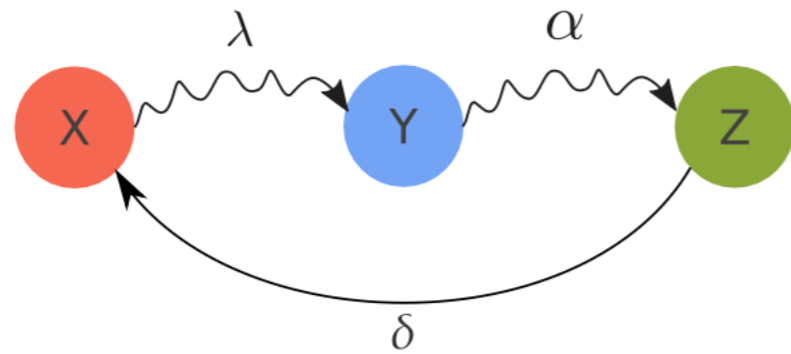


Rumor spreading

A Maki Thompson model:



B Modified model:



$$(0, 1, 0)_i + (1, 0, 0)_j \xrightarrow{\lambda} (0, 1, 0)_i + (0, 1, 0)_j,$$

$$(0, 1, 0)_i + (0, 1, 0)_j \xrightarrow{\alpha} (0, 1, 0)_i + (0, 0, 1)_j,$$

$$(0, 1, 0)_i + (0, 0, 1)_j \xrightarrow{\alpha} (0, 0, 1)_i + (0, 0, 1)_j,$$

$$(0, 0, 1)_i \xrightarrow{\delta} (1, 0, 0)_i.$$

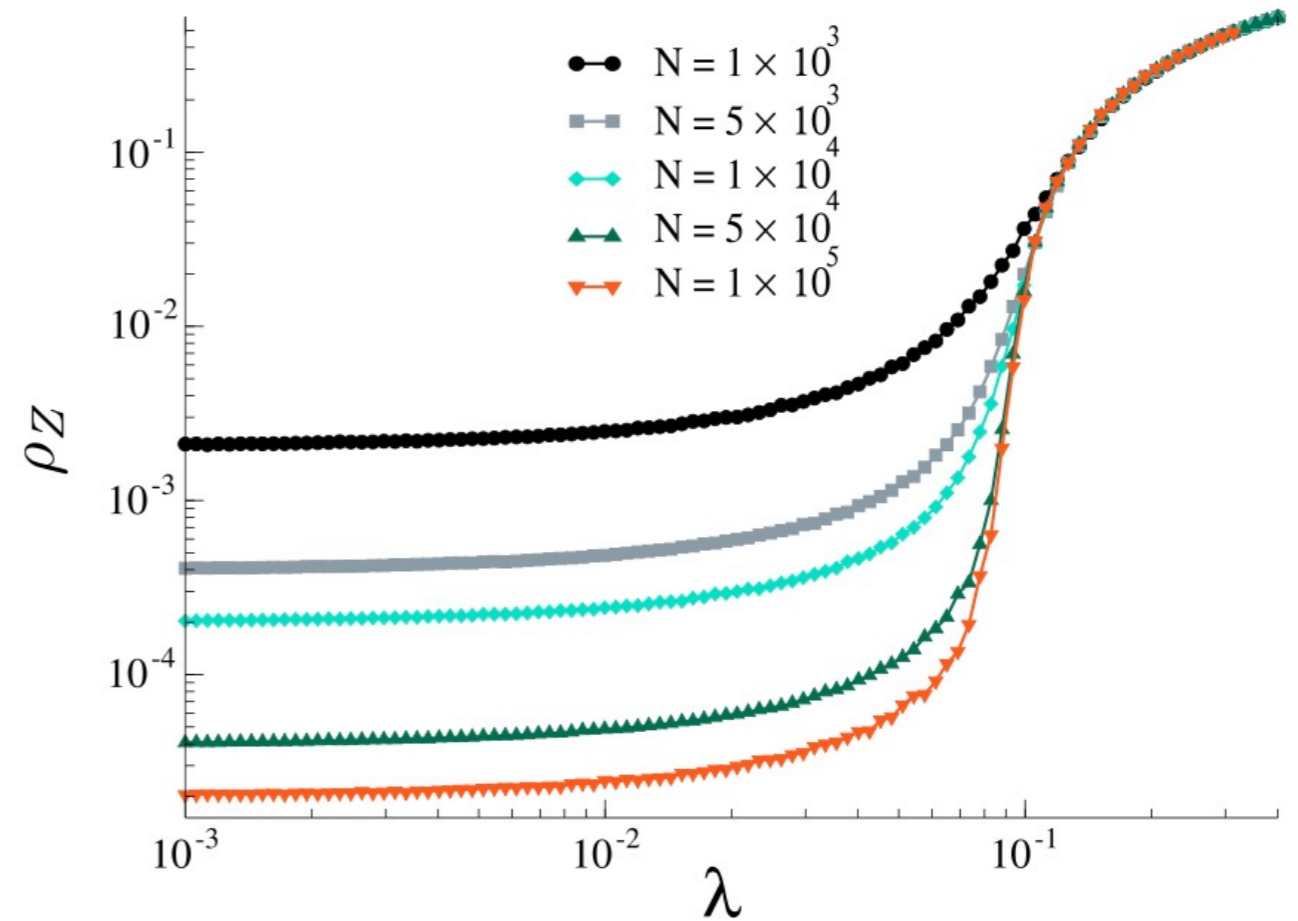
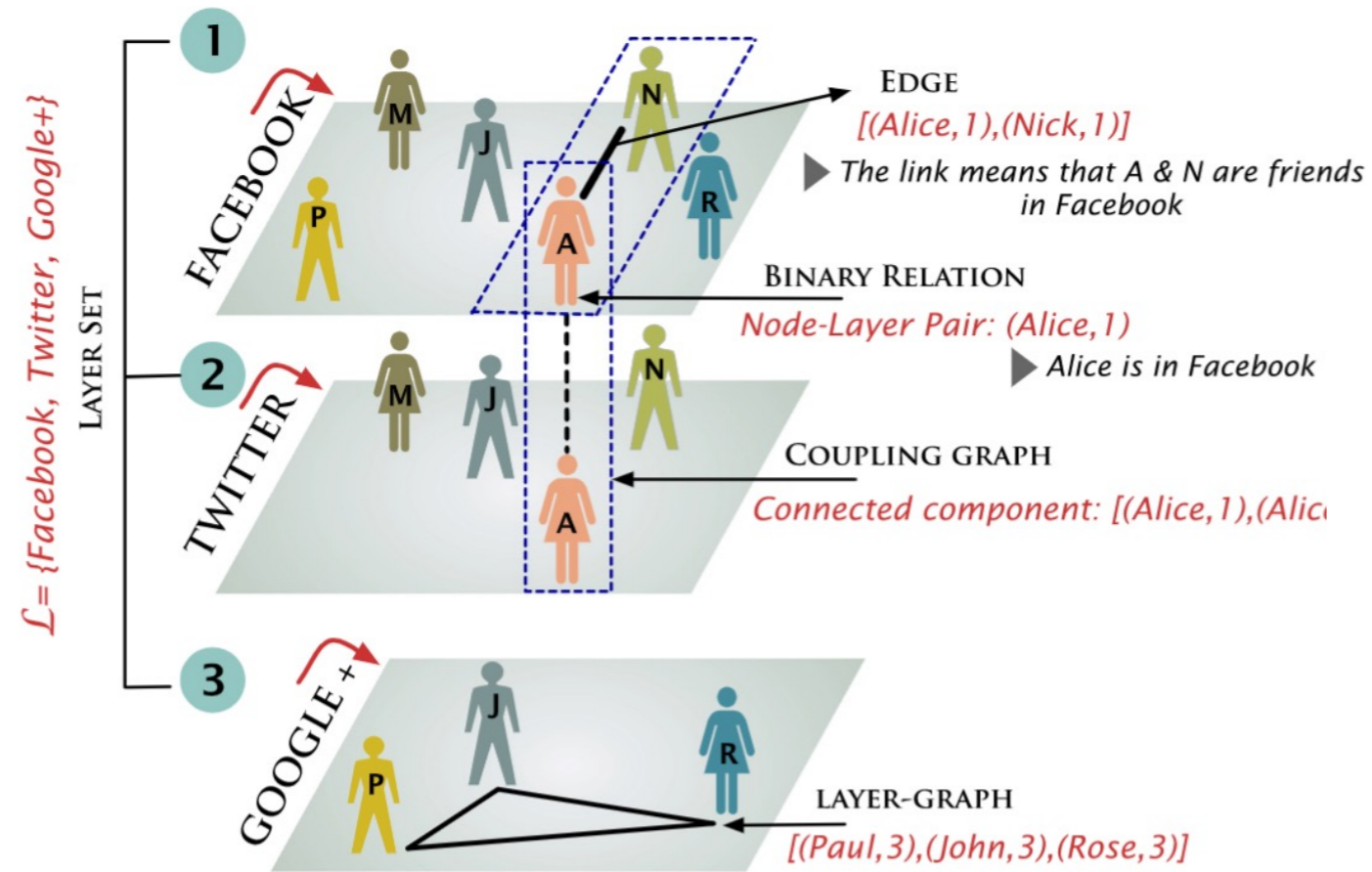


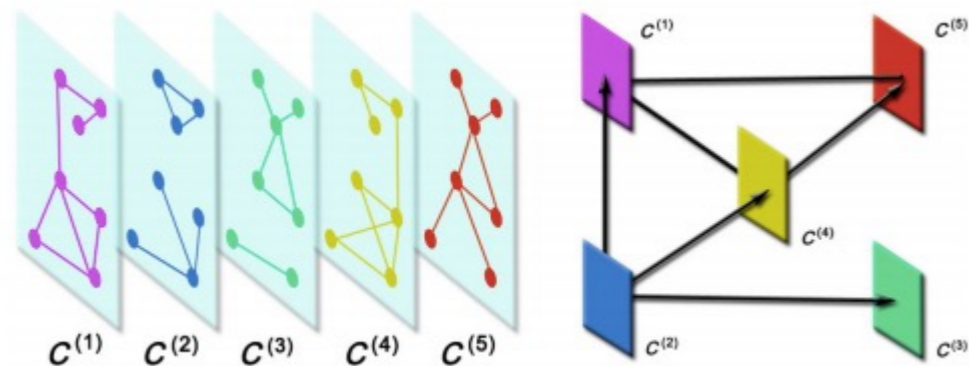
Fig. 2 Phase diagram for the standard MT model. Results for $\alpha=1$ and different sizes on a random regular networks with $\langle k \rangle_k = 10$.

Multilayer networks



SET OF SOCIAL ACTORS: $n = \{\text{Alice, John, Mary, Nick, Paul, Rose}\}$

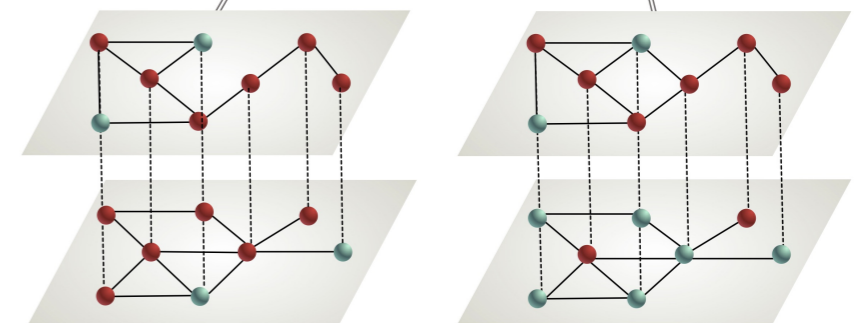
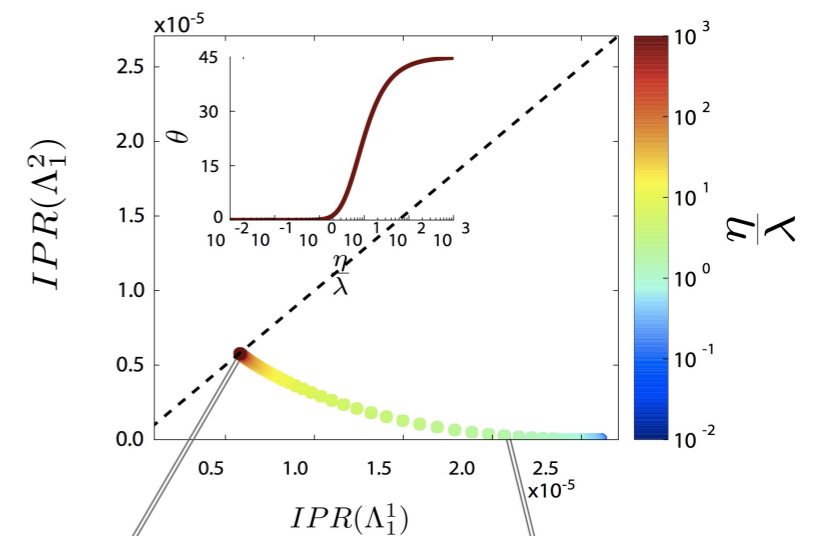
Alice	John	Mary	Nick	Paul	Rose
A	J	M	N	P	R



$$M_{\beta\tilde{\gamma}}^{\alpha\tilde{\delta}} = \sum_{\tilde{h}, \tilde{k}=1}^m C_{\beta}^{\alpha}(\tilde{h}, \tilde{k}) E_{\tilde{\gamma}}^{\tilde{\delta}}(\tilde{h}, \tilde{k})$$

$$\frac{dX_{\beta\tilde{\delta}}}{dt} = -\mu X_{\beta\tilde{\delta}} + (1 - X_{\beta\tilde{\delta}}) \lambda \mathcal{R}_{\beta\tilde{\delta}}^{\alpha\tilde{\gamma}}(\lambda, \eta) X_{\alpha\tilde{\gamma}}$$

$$\text{IPR}(\Lambda) \equiv (f_{\beta\tilde{\delta}}(\Lambda))^4 U^{\beta\tilde{\delta}}$$





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3. Quenched-MF (QMF)
4. Pair approximation
5. Individual based MF
6. Message passing
7. ...

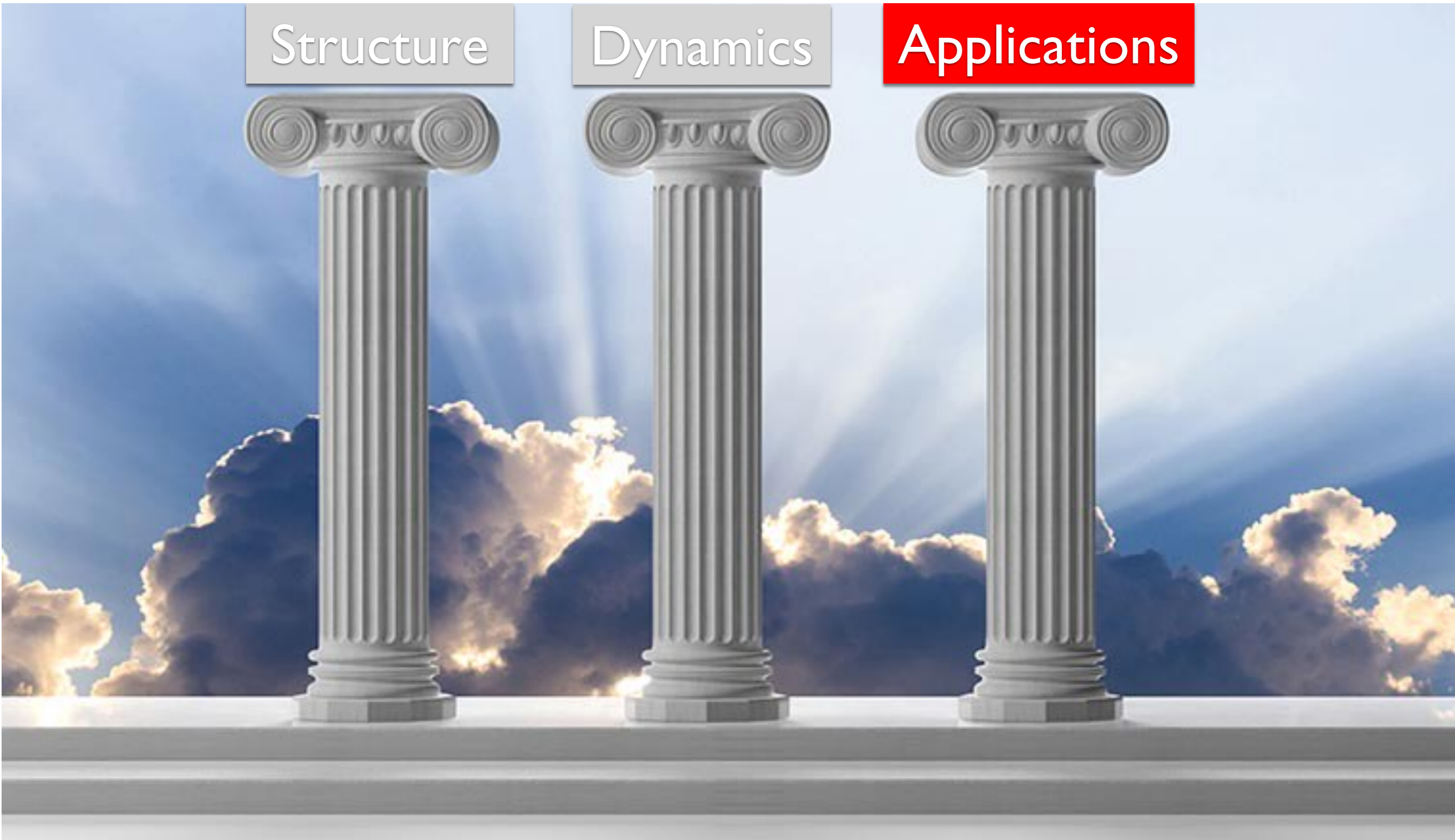
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Complex Systems

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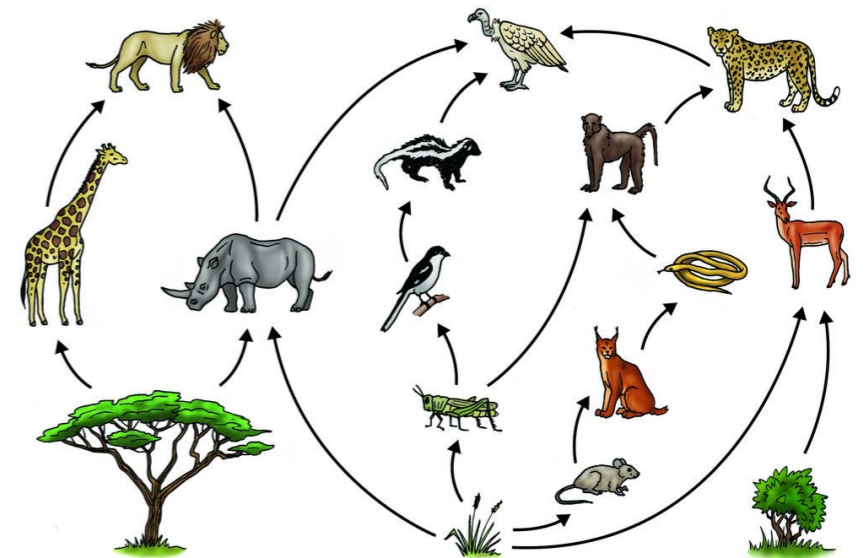
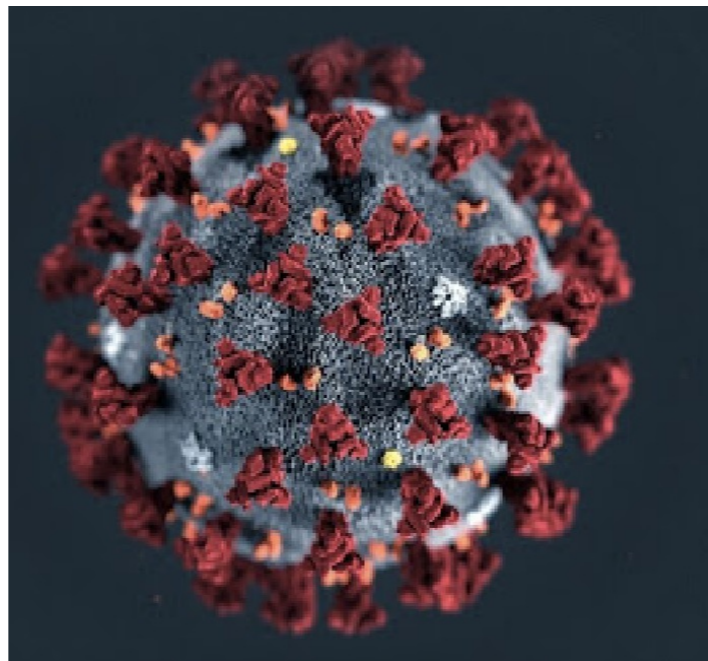
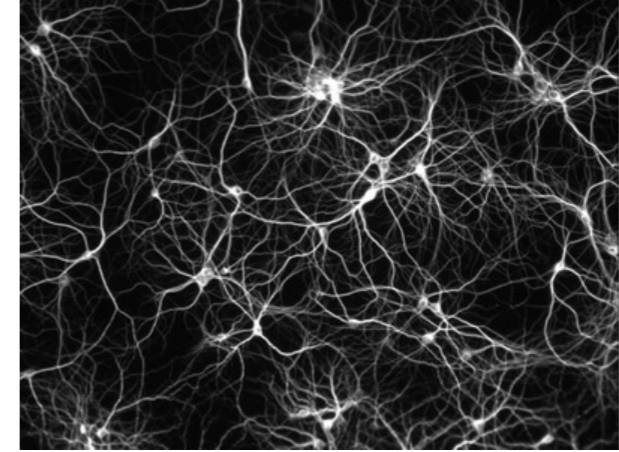
Dynamics

Applications

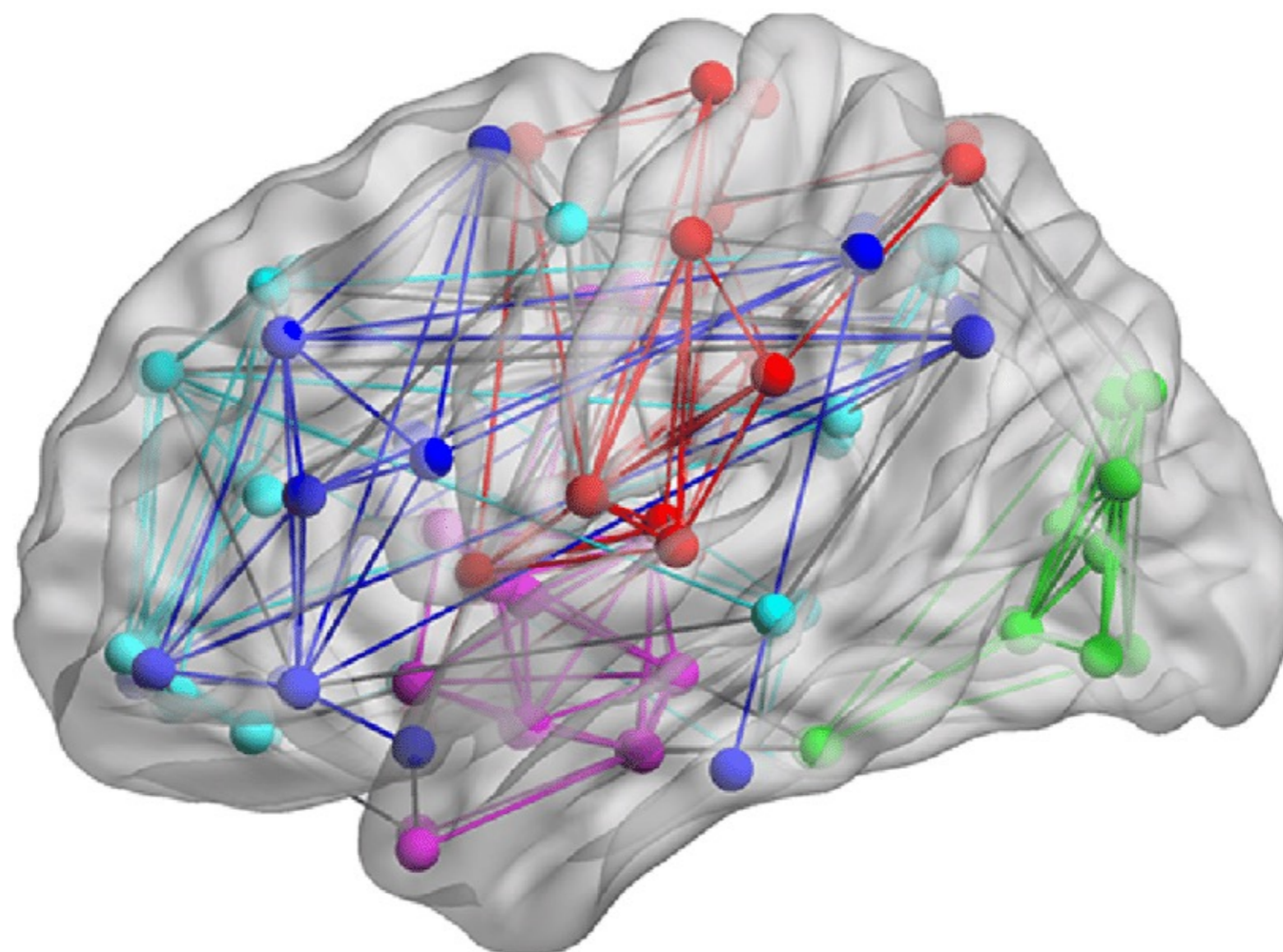


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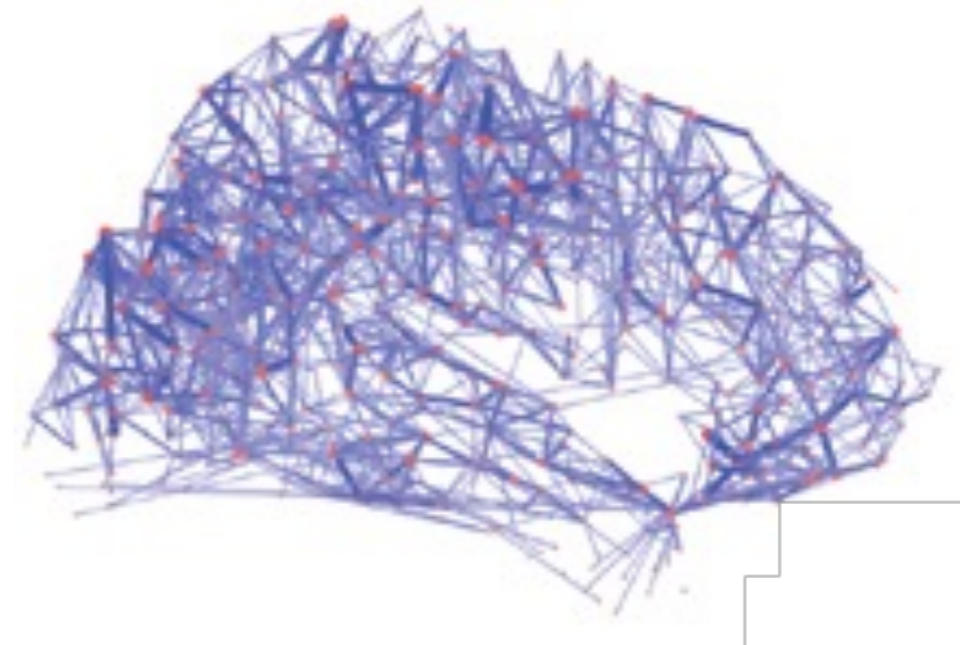
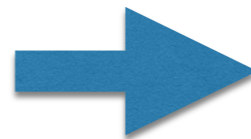
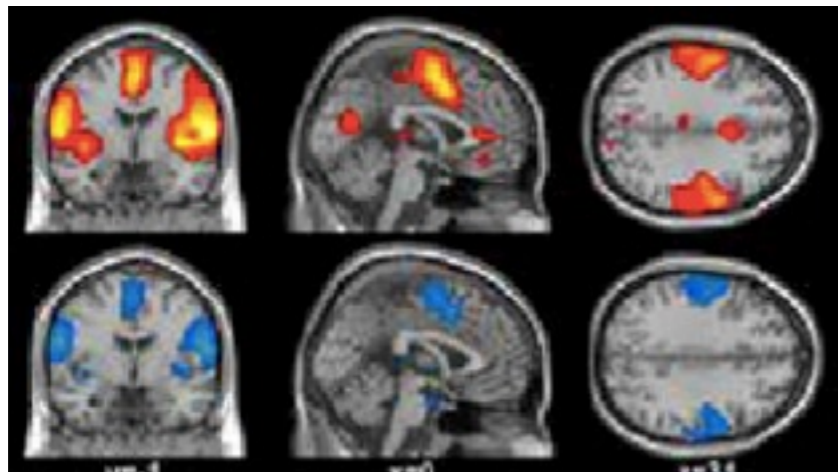
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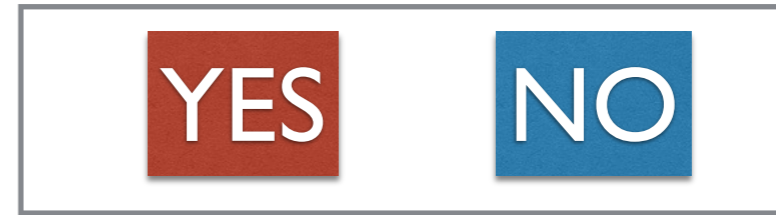
Brain networks



Diagnosis of mental disorders



Machine Learning



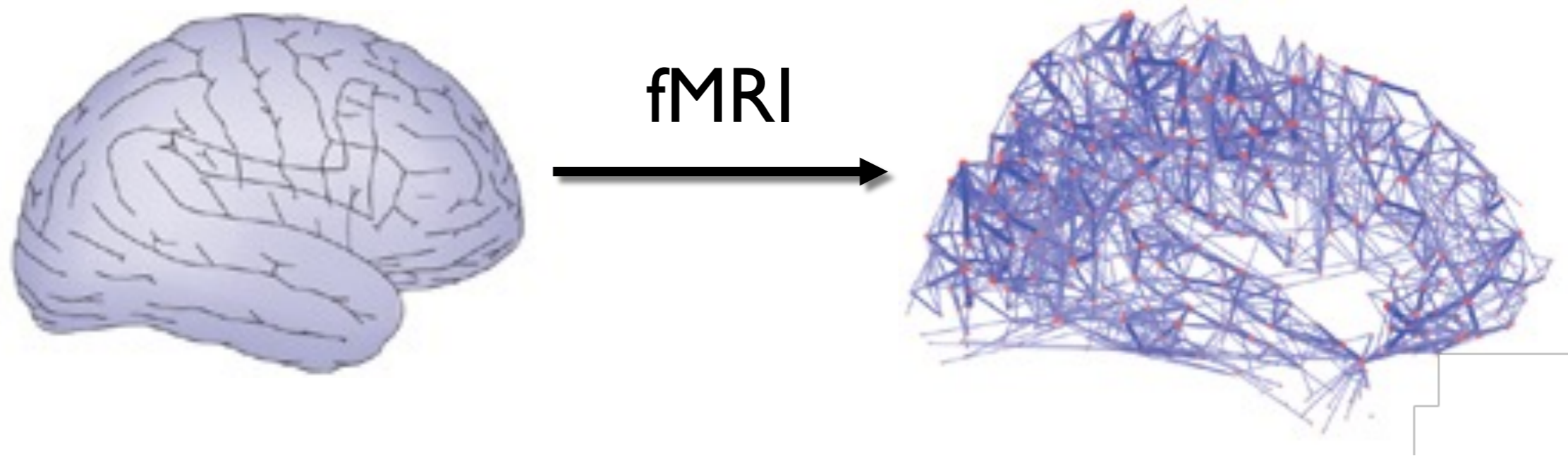
Child-onset schizophrenia

Child-onset schizophrenia (or pediatric schizophrenia) is a type of mental disorder characterized by degeneration of thinking, motor, and emotional processes in children and adolescents under the age of 18.

Challenge: Early diagnosis.



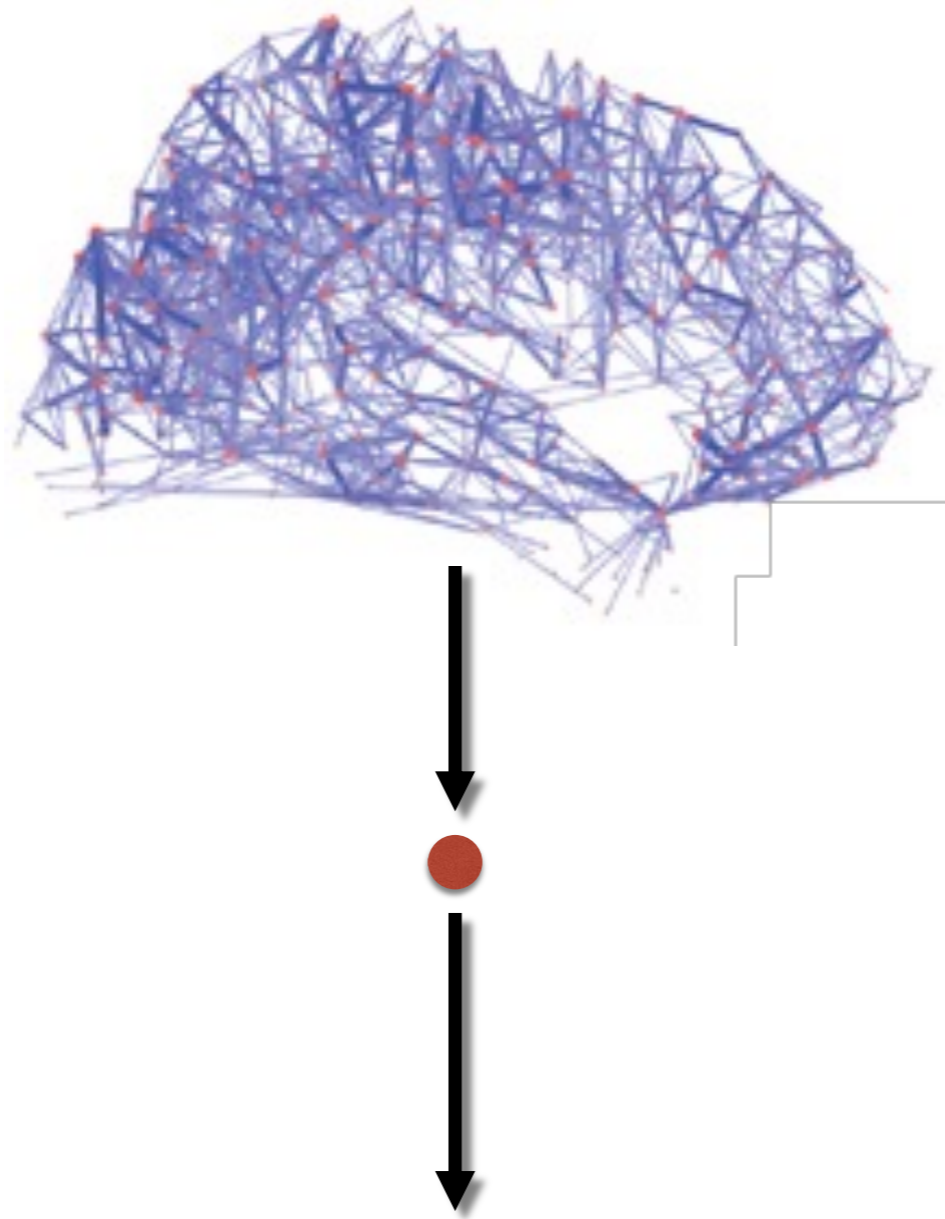
Child-onset schizophrenia



Data: Healthy subjects ($n = 20$, mean age 19.7 years; 11 male) adolescent participants with childhood-onset schizophrenia ($n = 19$, mean age 18.7 years; 9 male).

The subjects were scanned using a General Electric Signa MRI scanner operating at 1.5 Tesla.
Only the right hemisphere (140 regions).

Child-onset schizophrenia



$$V_i = [M_1, M_2, M_3, \dots, M_{54}]$$

54 measures calculated for each node.

Child-onset schizophrenia

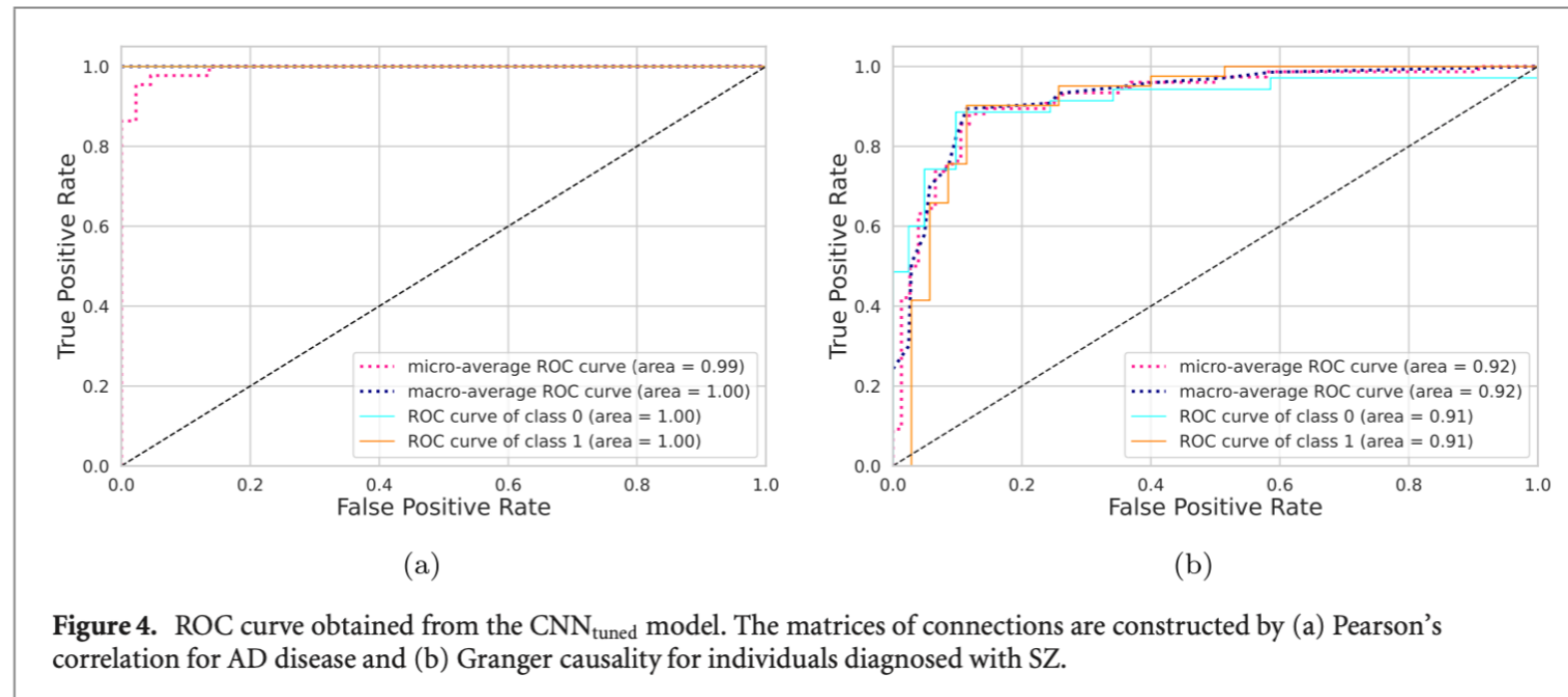
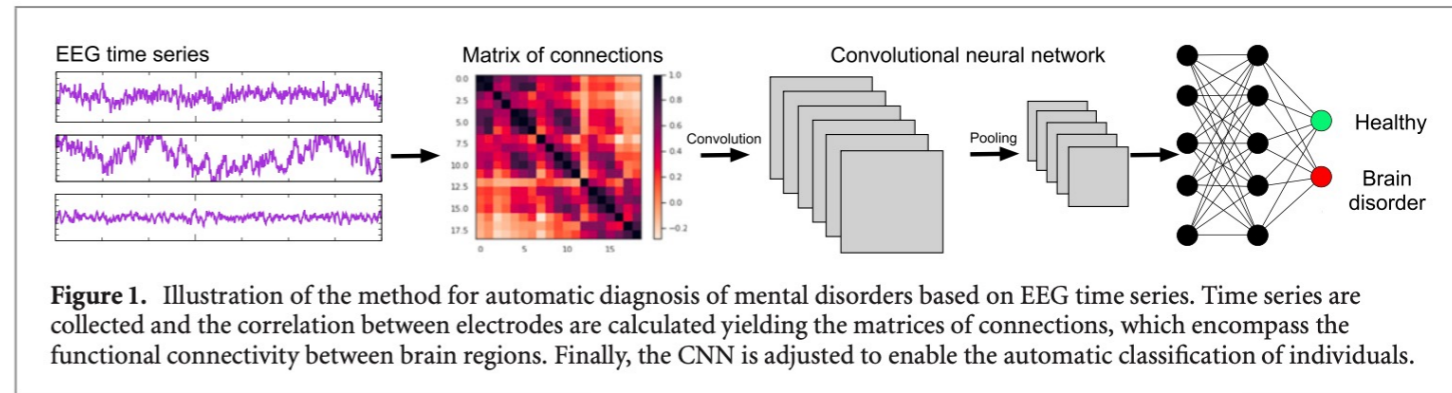
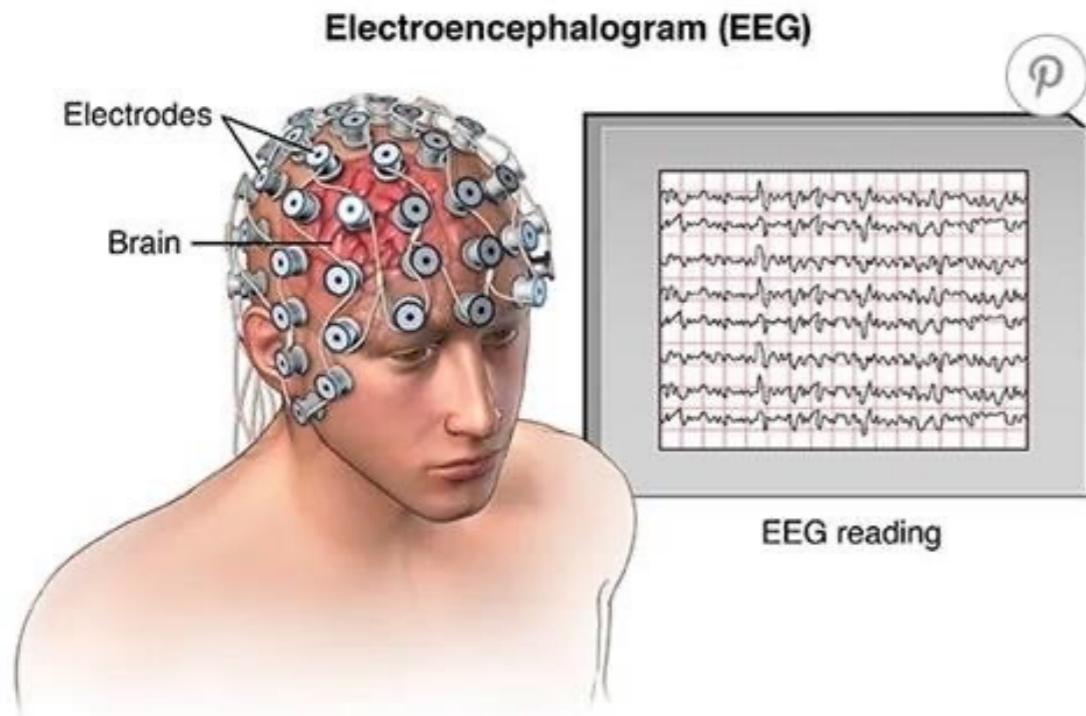
Table 1: Feature ranking of network measures calculated by using symmetrical uncertainty (U) and chi-squared test (χ^2). The features are ordered according to the symmetrical uncertainty.

$U(C, A)$	χ^2	Feature
0.326	15.55	Variance of the closeness centrality
0.289	10.13	First moment of K -core
0.263	12.88	Modularity
0.258	12.74	Variance of the accessibility

Table 2: Percentage of correct classification of networks obtained from healthy and schizophrenic subjects considering 4 or 54 measures. PC is the positive class, $H.$ indicates the healthy class and $S.$, schizophrenic subjects.

	Naive Bayes		Bayesian network		C4.5 Decision tree	
	54 meas.	4 meas.	54 meas.	4 meas.	54 meas.	4 meas.
Accuracy	0.74	0.76	0.71	0.78	0.45	0.71
Precision (PC: H.)	0.68	0.73	0.70	0.76	0.46	0.68
Specificity: Recall (PC: H.)	0.90	0.84	0.74	0.84	0.58	0.79
F-Measure (PC: H.)	0.77	0.78	0.72	0.80	0.51	0.73
Precision (PC: S.)	0.85	0.81	0.72	0.82	0.43	0.75
Sensitivity: Recall (PC: S.)	0.58	0.68	0.68	0.74	0.32	0.63
F-Measure (PC: S.)	0.69	0.74	0.70	0.78	0.36	0.69

Alzheimer's disease and schizophrenia



Diagnosis of mental disorder

Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder

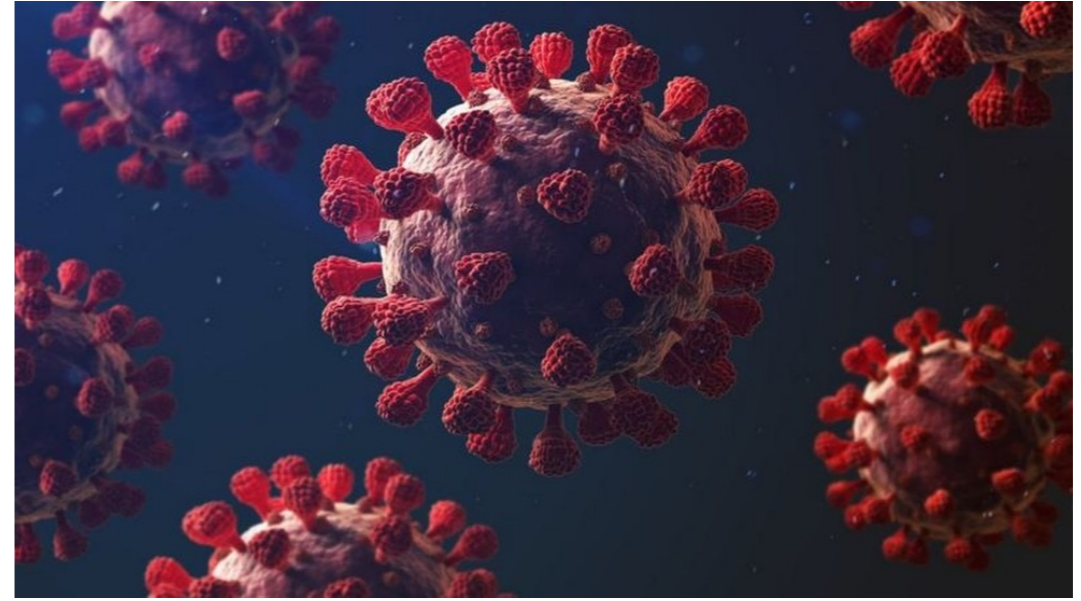
Classifier	Accuracy	AUC
Knn	0.58	0.53
Naive Bayes	0.63	0.50
Decision Trees	0.63	0.51
Neural Networks	0.65	0.50

Autism spectrum disorders

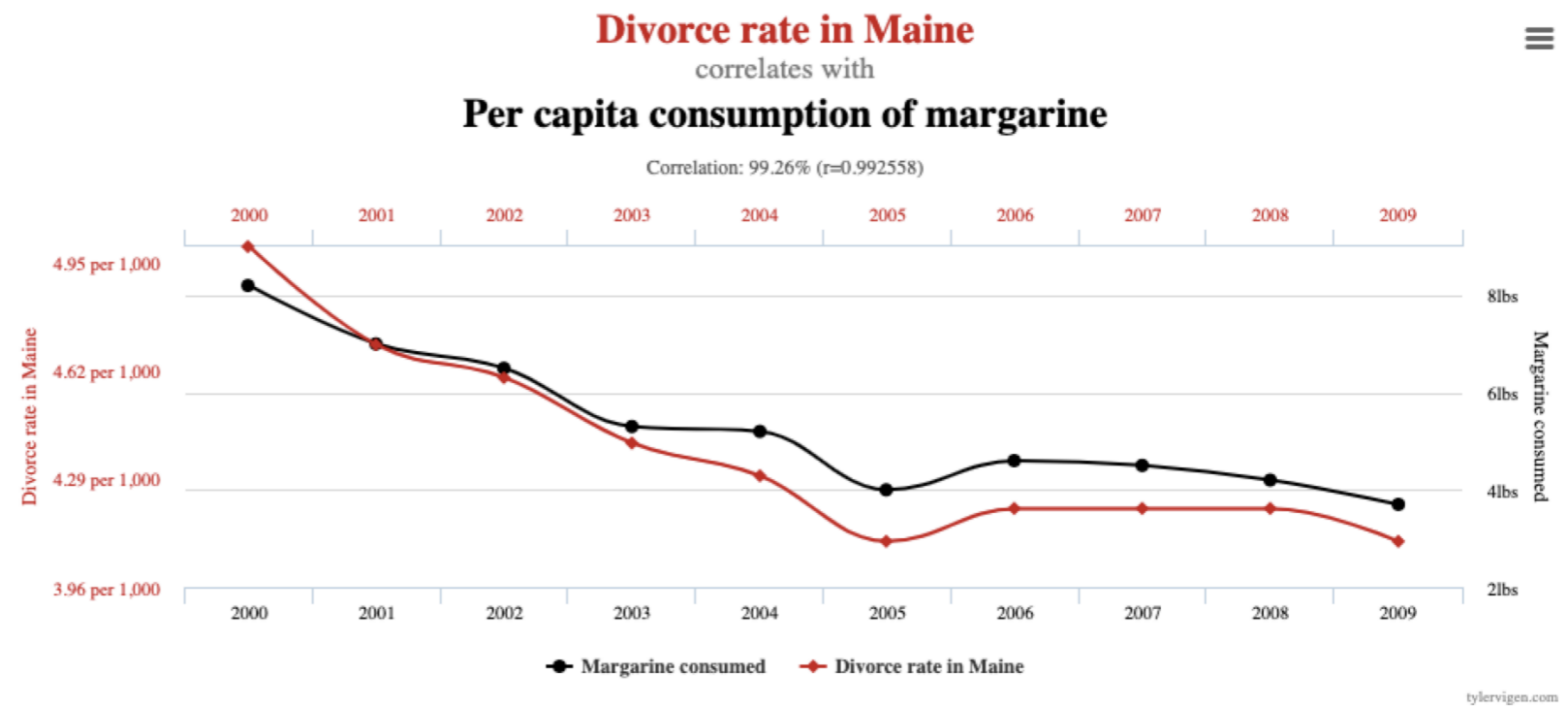
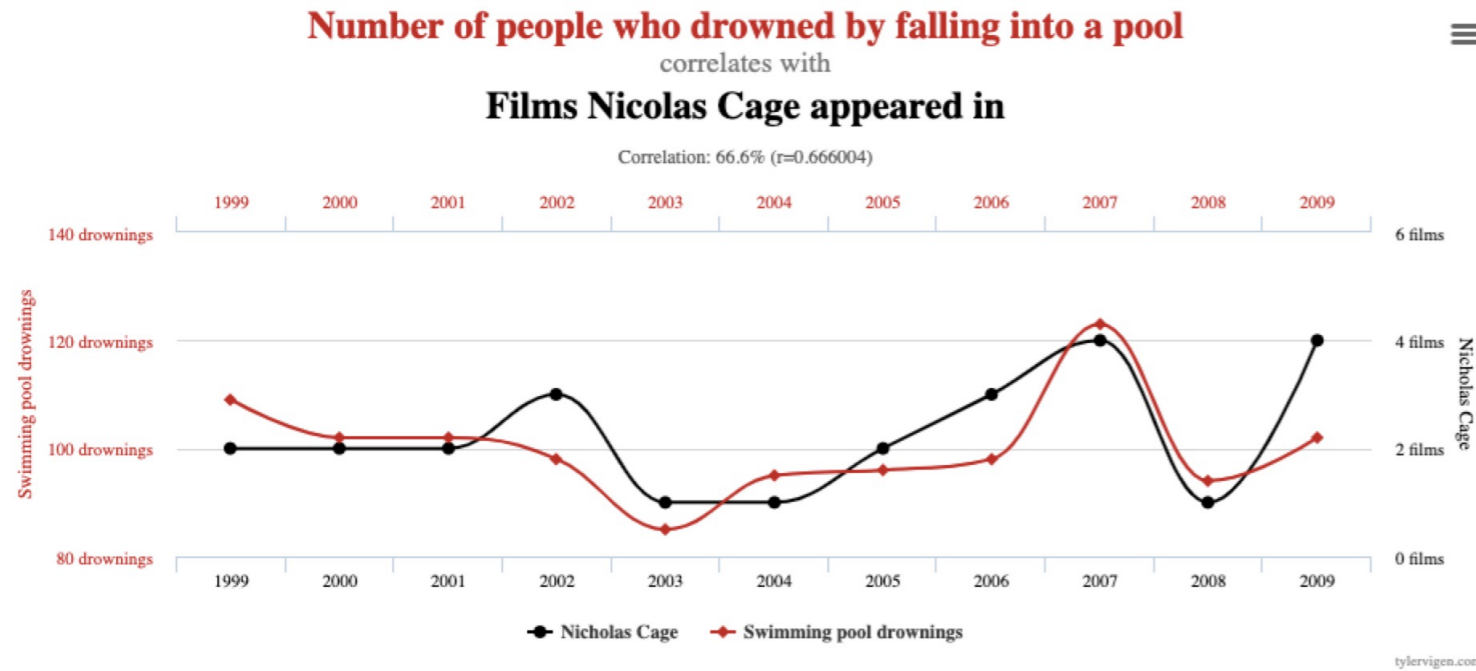
Classifier	Accuracy	AUC
Knn	0.57	0.44
Naive Bayes	0.58	0.54
Decision Trees	0.67	0.62
Neural Networks	0.63	0.52



Epidemic outbreaks



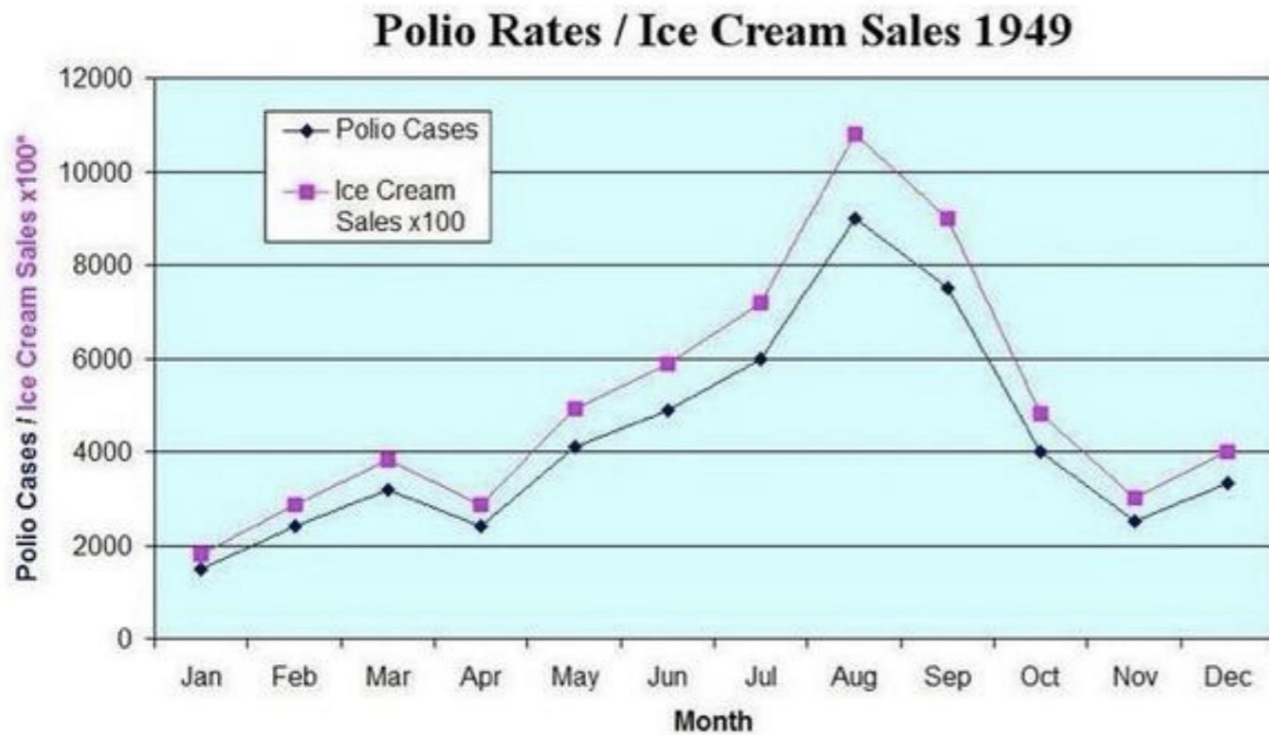
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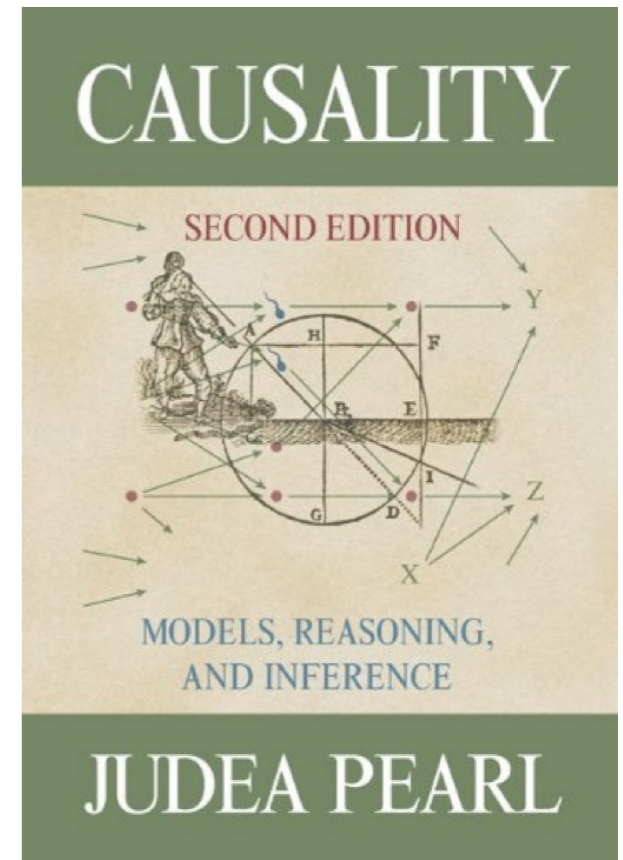
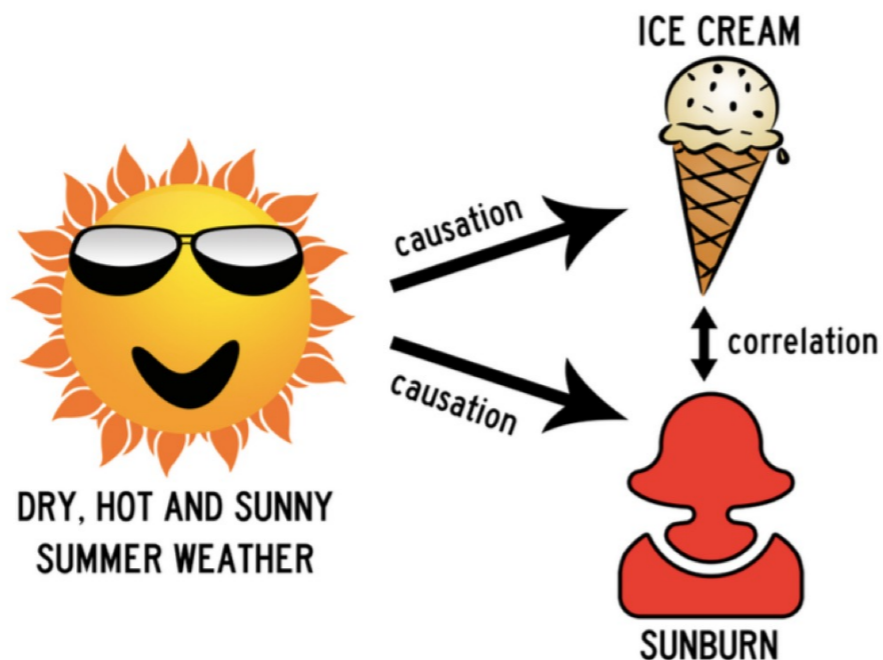
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Causal inference

The Real Cause of Polio!



In the 1940s Polio example, public health experts recommended that people stop eating ice cream as part of an "anti-polio diet".



Causal inference and epidemiology

Epidemiology

- Epidemiology: study of how and why diseases (& health) spread.
- Two public health goals:
 - forecasting disease prevalence to anticipate outbreaks and allocate resources
 - understanding disease drivers to develop effective preventative interventions.

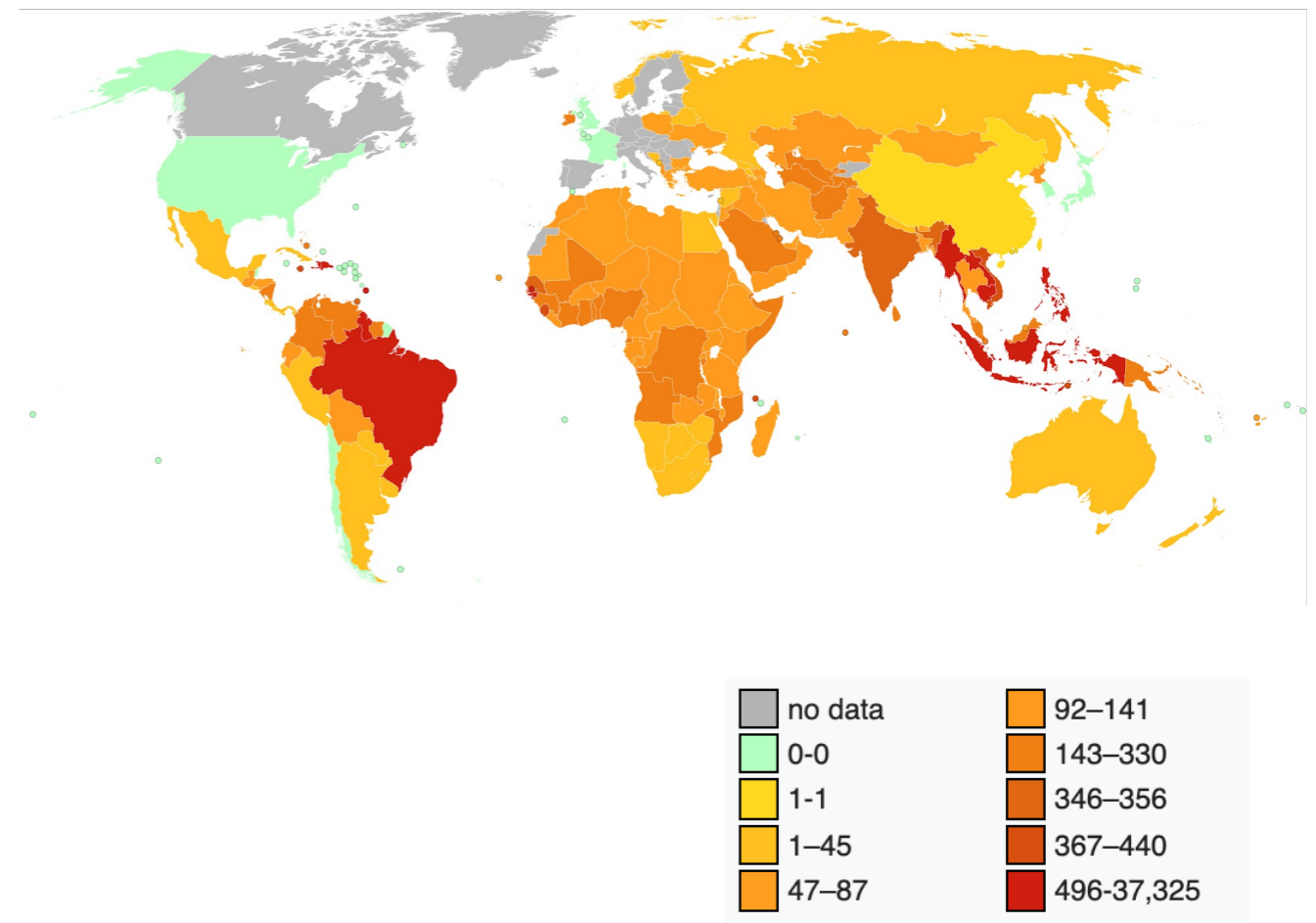
Causal machine learning

- Machine learning: fit function from patterns in data without explicit encoding of rules.
- High predictive accuracy, especially in modern big data world.
- But: criticized for lack of generalizability, transparency, and fairness.
- Can causal machine learning help?
 - Encodes causal assumptions about the world
 - Robust to domain shifts

Dengue is a serious public health concern

- Half of the world's population is at risk of dengue infection
- Brazil's economic burden of dengue in 2013 was 300 million USD
- Climate change is expected to increase incidence of dengue and other vector-borne diseases around the world
- Given the lack of vaccine and specific treatments, primary preventative measures are vector control and disease surveillance

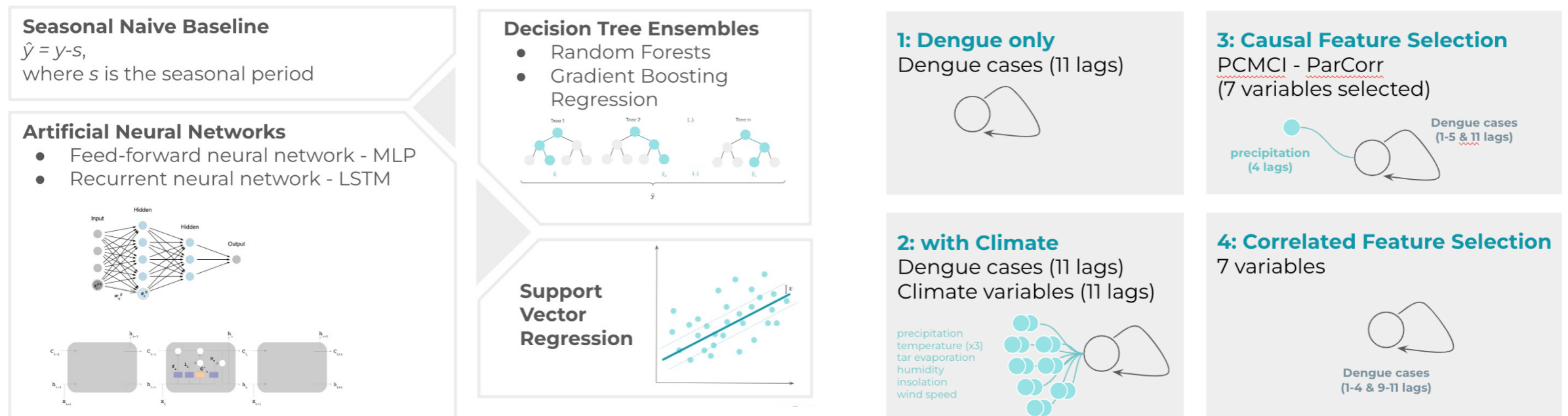
Disability-adjusted life years for dengue fever per million inhabitants in 2012.



Source: WHO Disease Burden Estimates,

Forecasting dengue in Brazilian cities

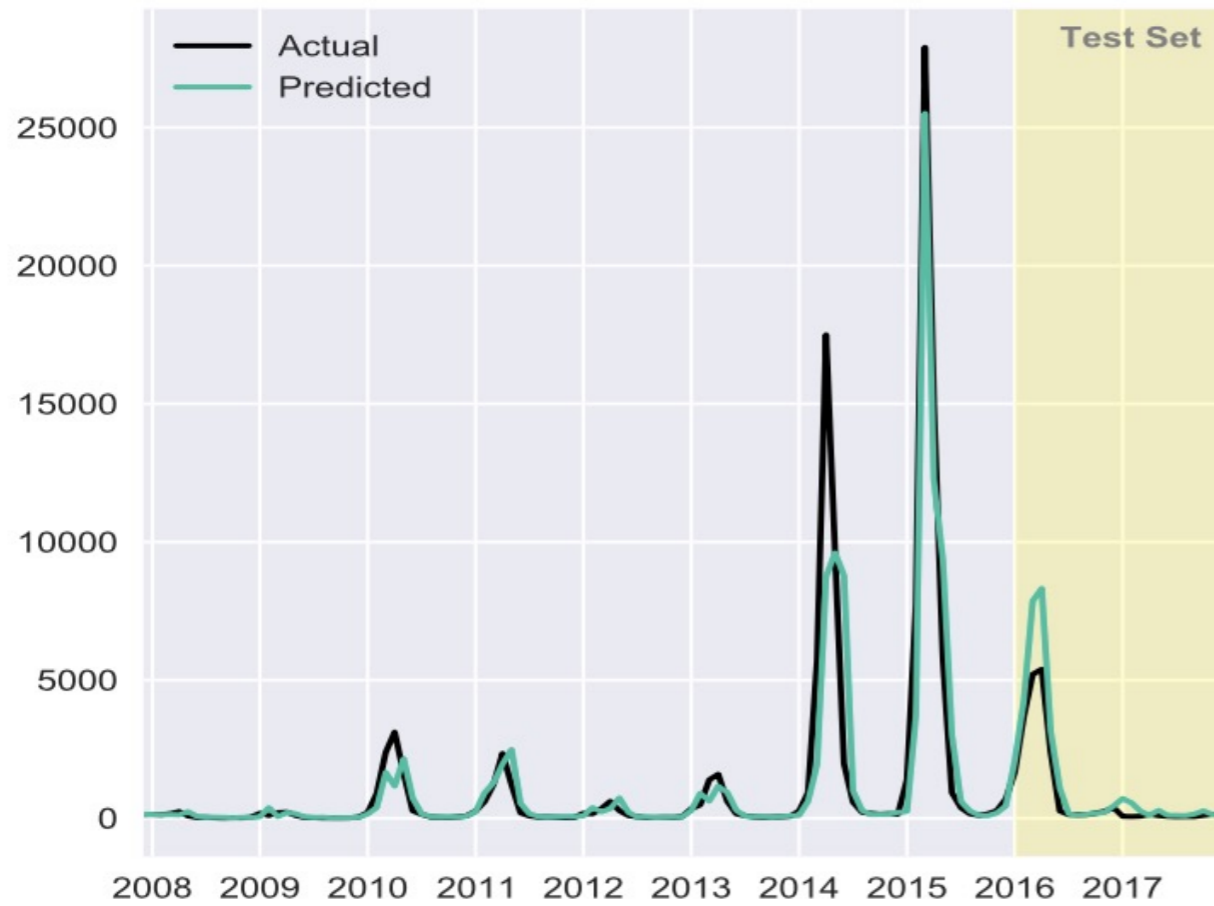
Compare machine learning algorithms & feature selection methods



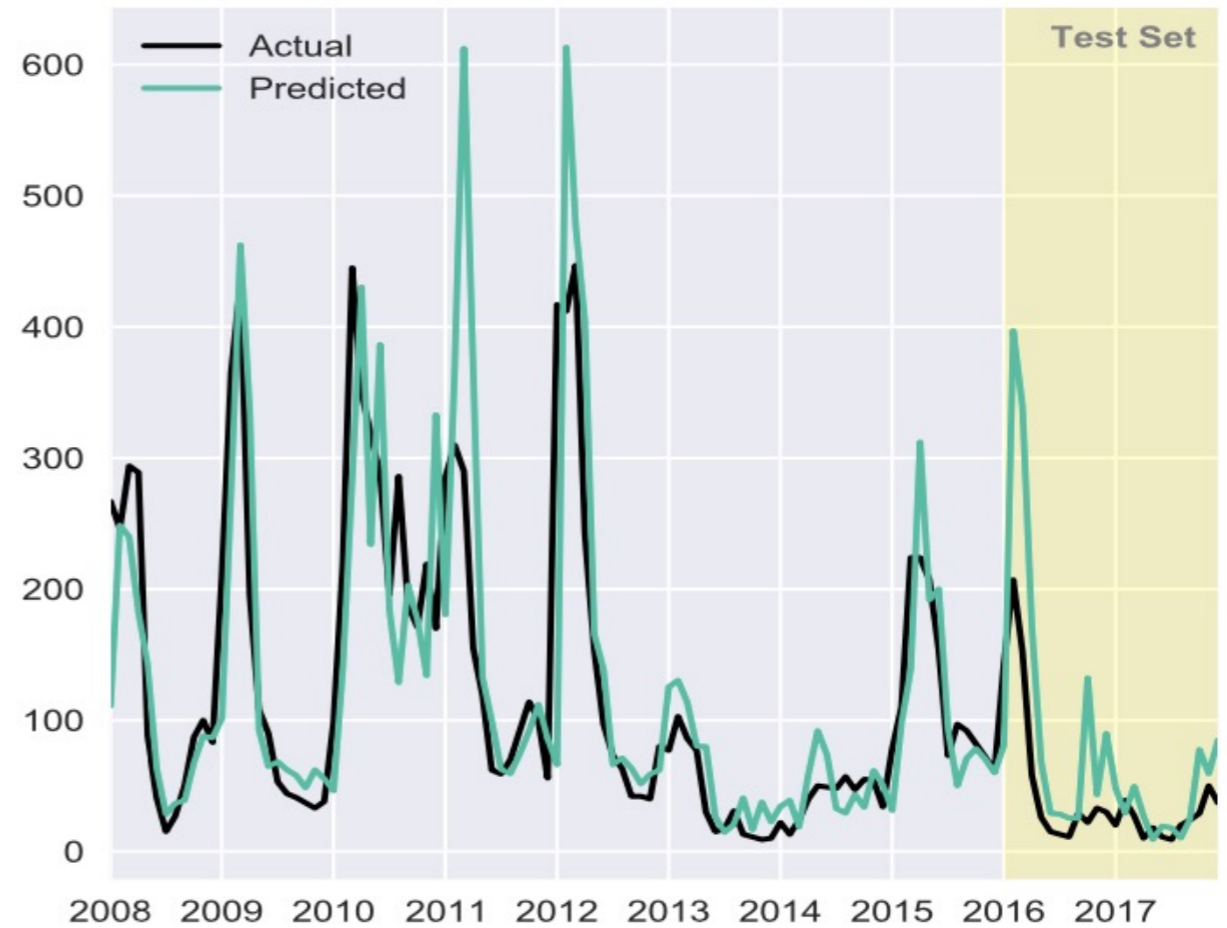
Which model is optimal for individual cities vs for all cities in Brazil?
Does causal feature selection improve predictions? Or is there a predictive cost of more causally informed models?

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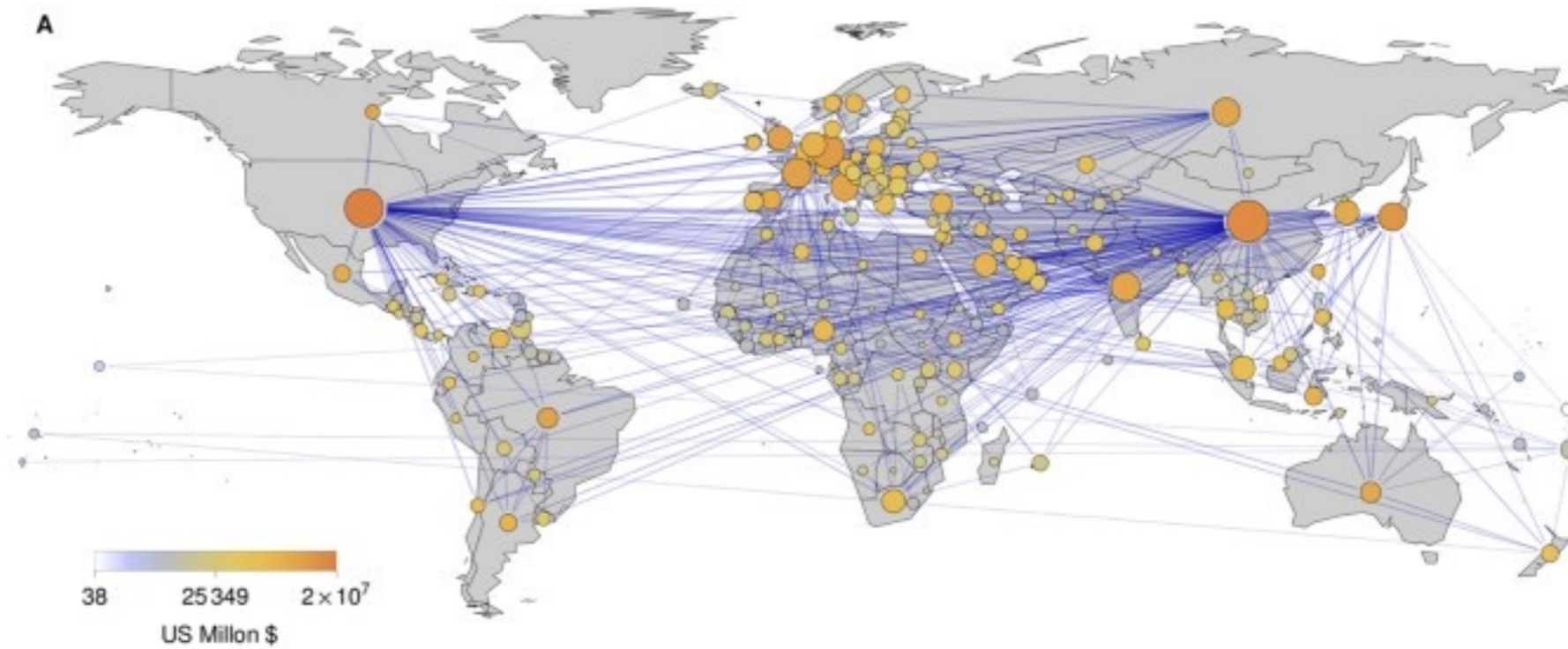
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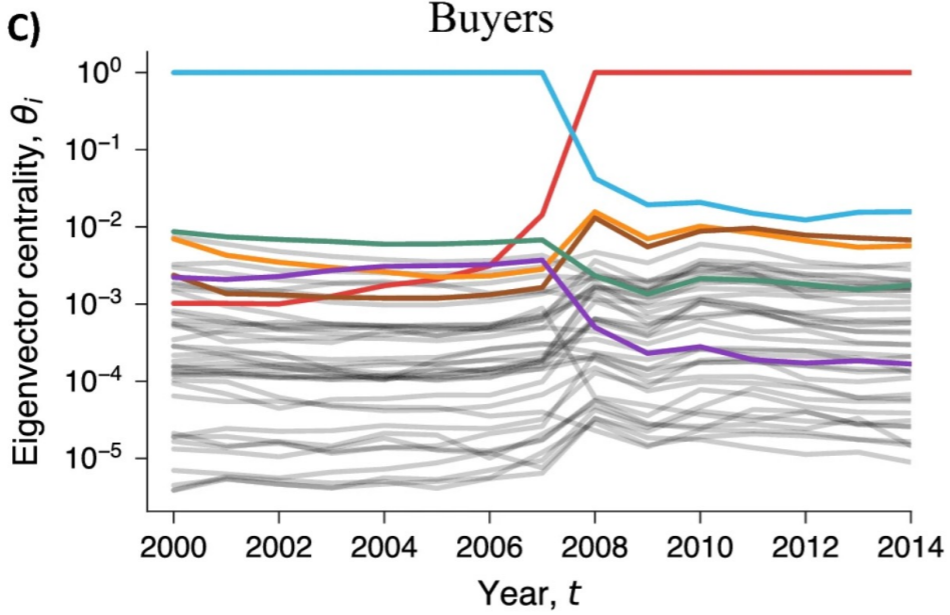
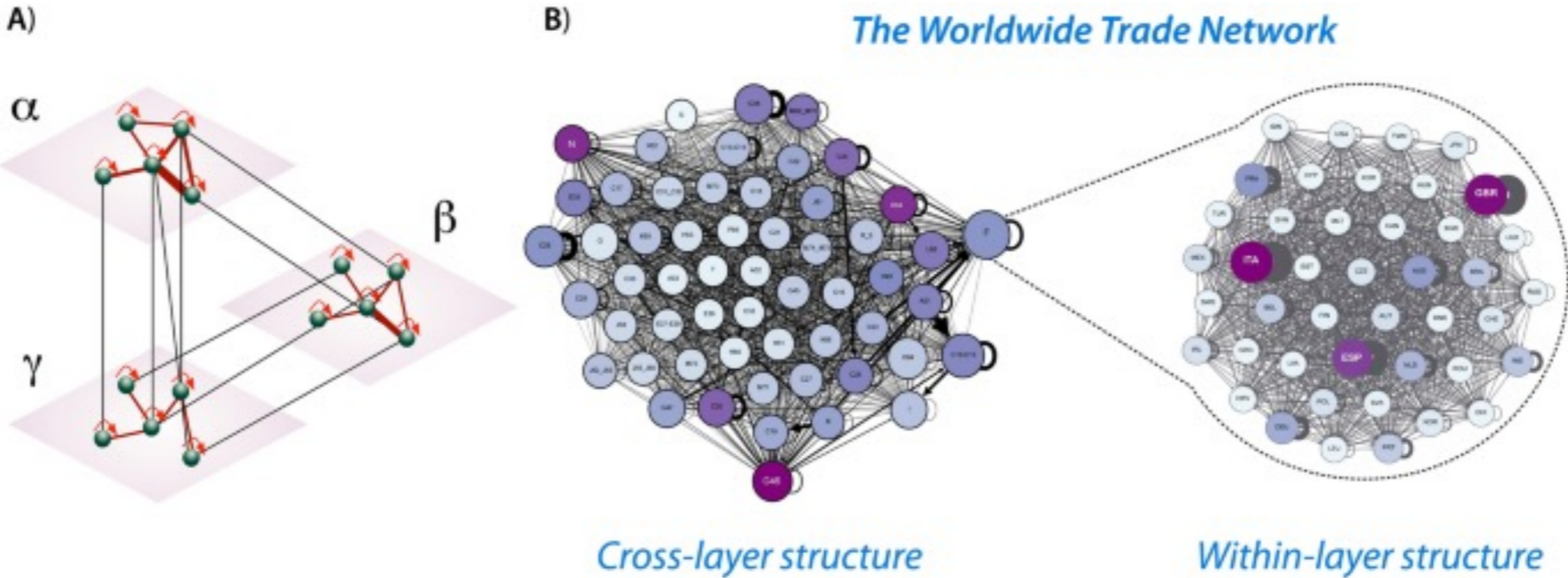
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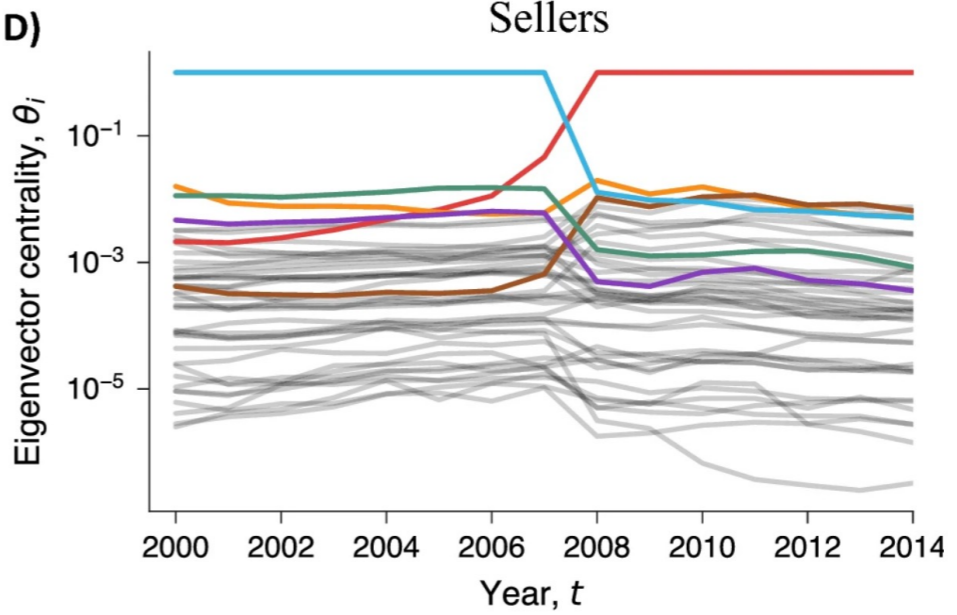
Economic networks



Worldwide trade multi-layer network



- China
- Japan
- Korea Republic
- United States
- Canada
- Ireland

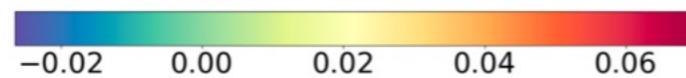
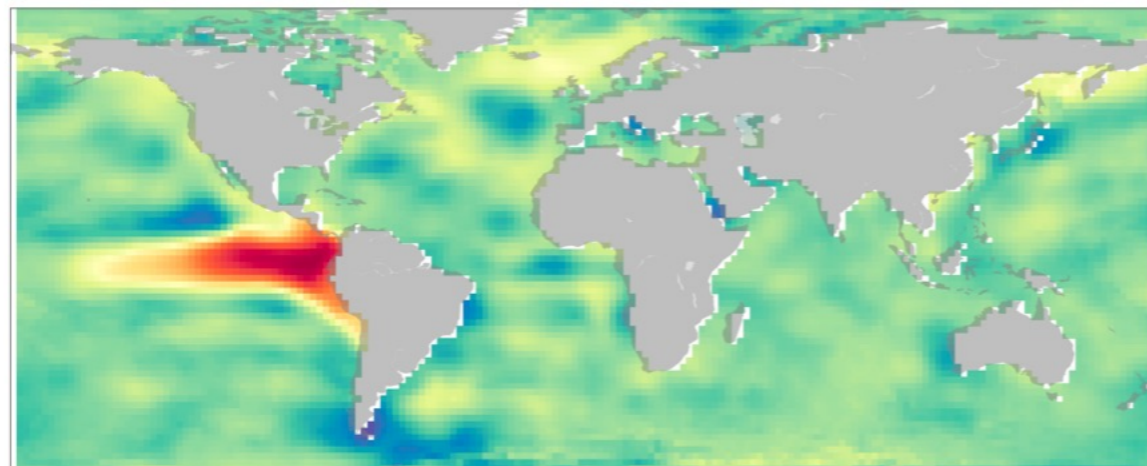
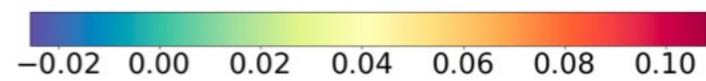
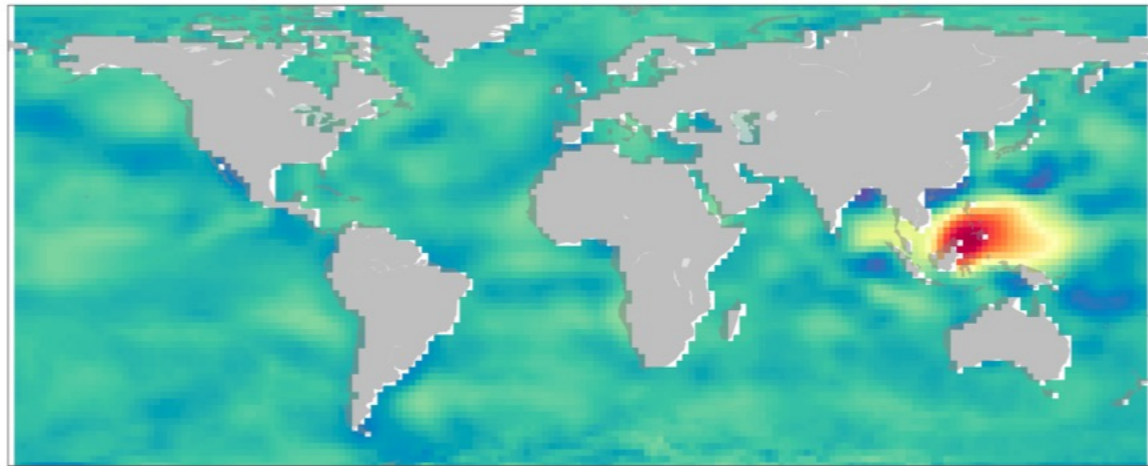


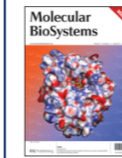
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- Japan
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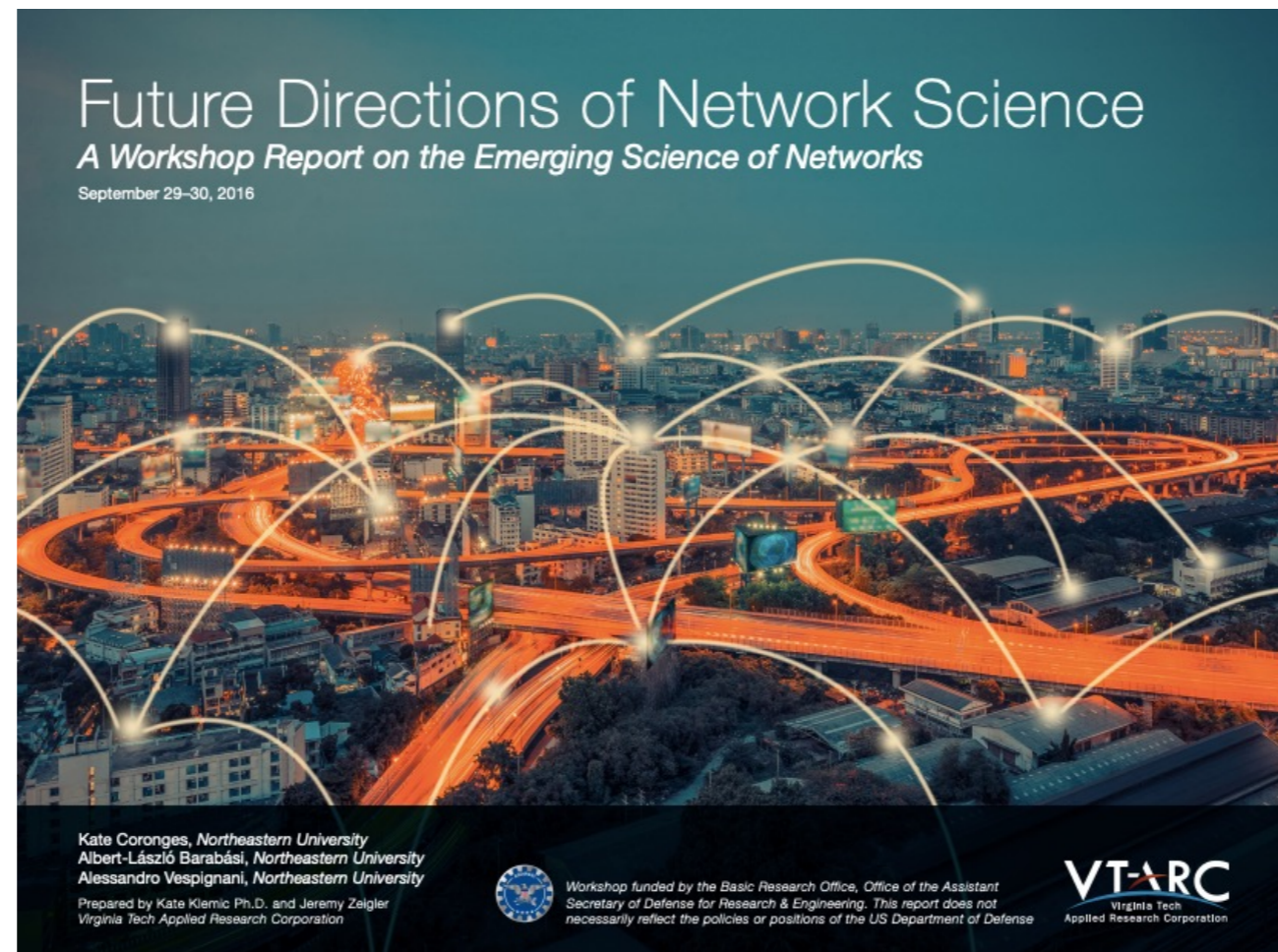
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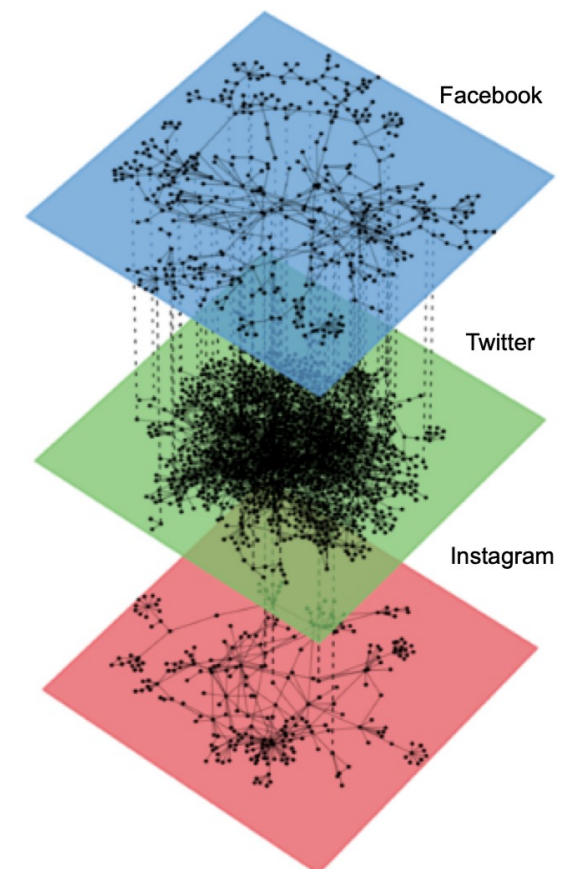
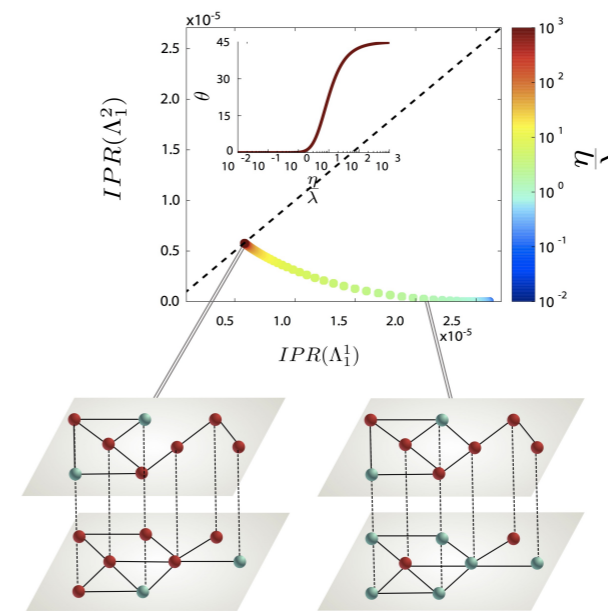
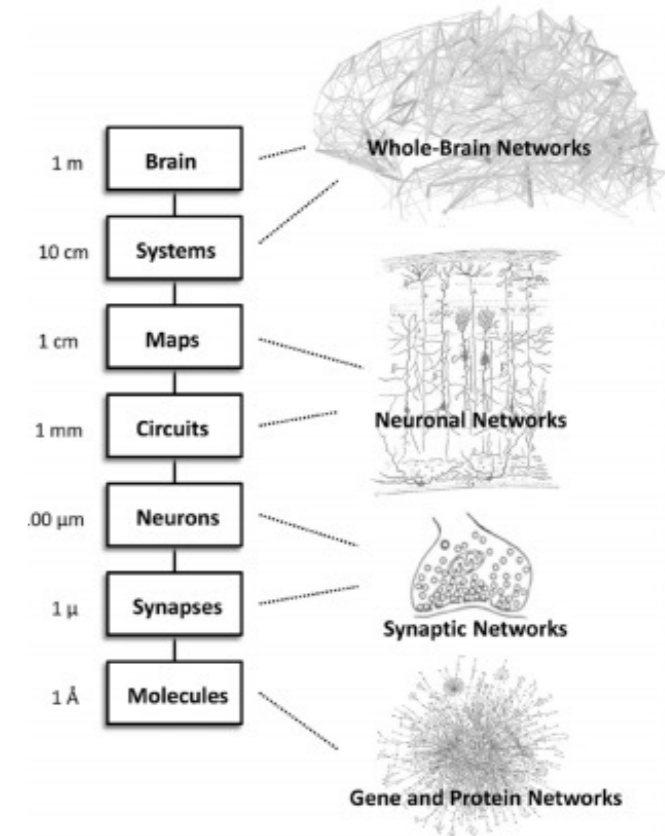
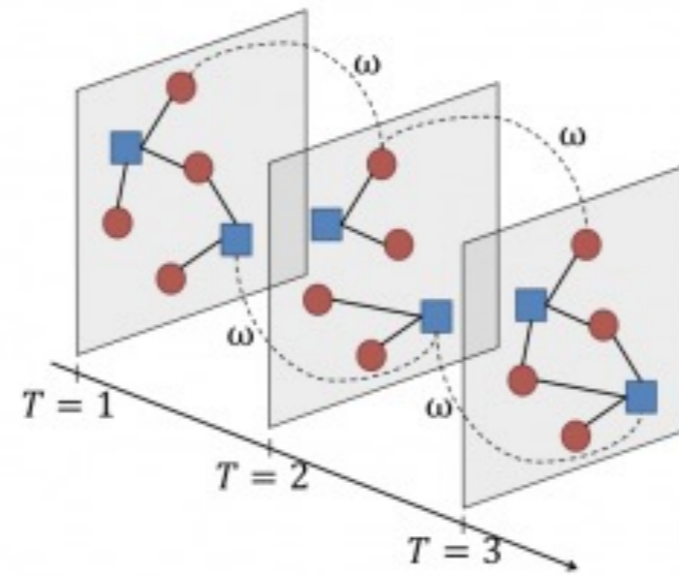
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- Multilayer networks
- Networks with noise
- Heterogeneous dynamics
- Interaction between dynamical processes
- Hierarchical structure
- Applications: genetics, biology, neuroscience, engineering.



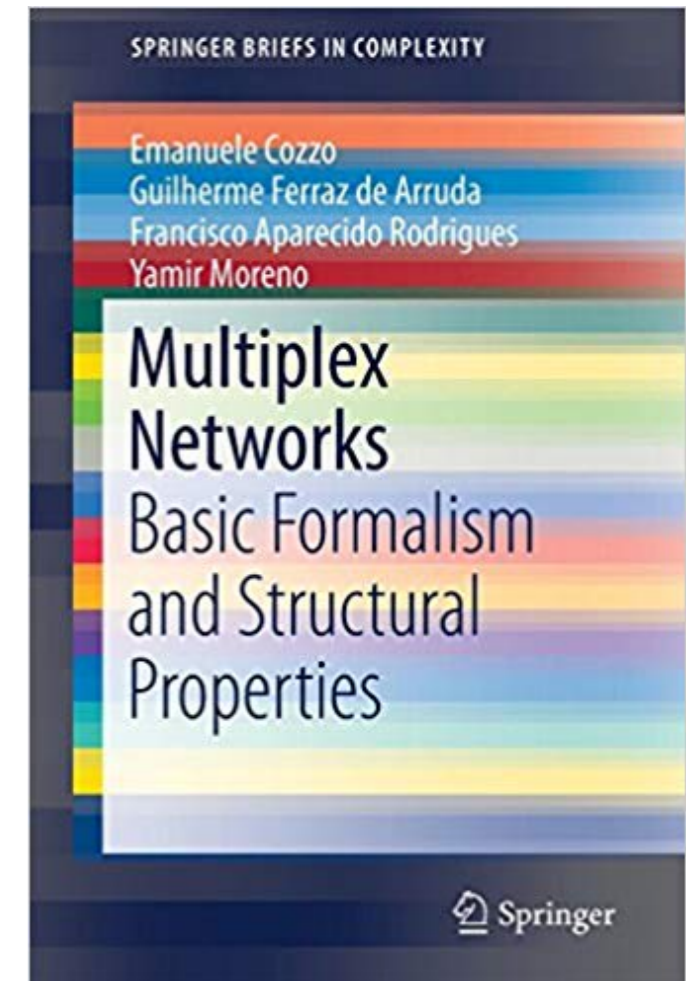
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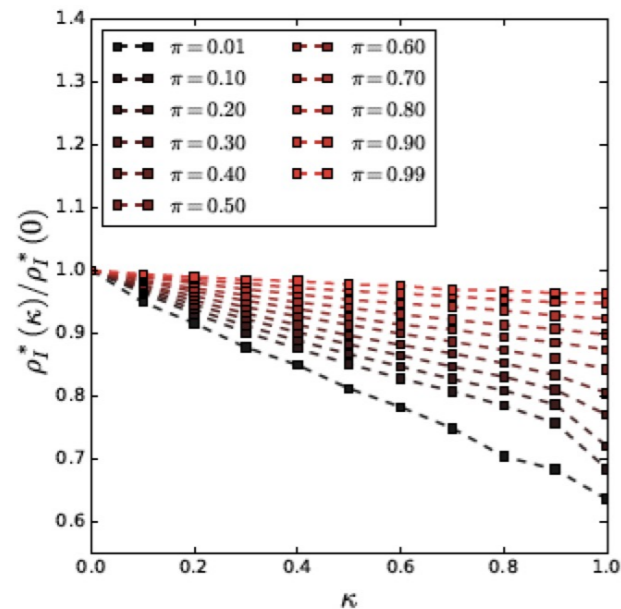
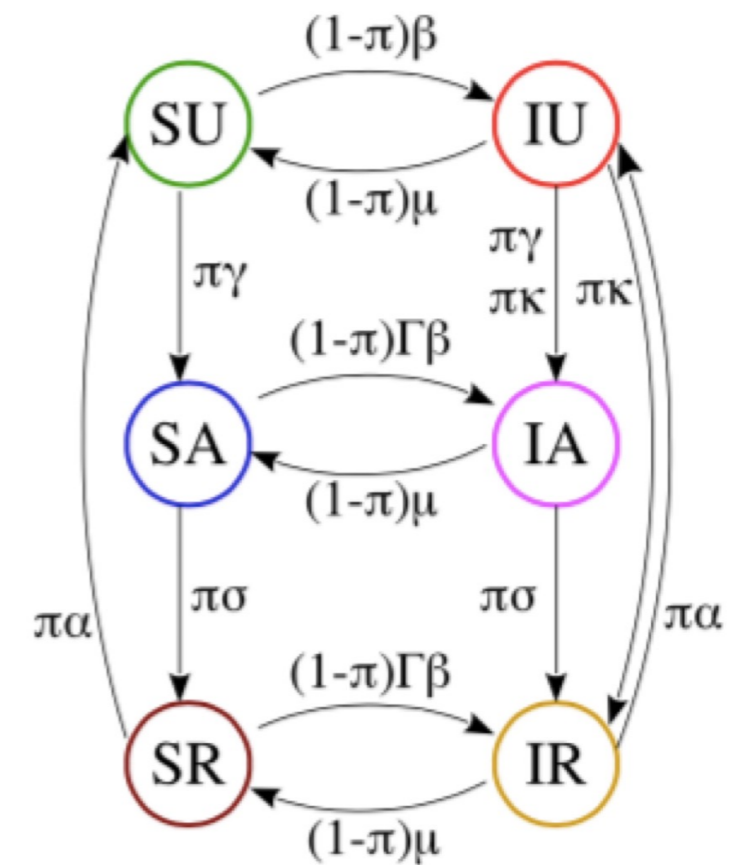
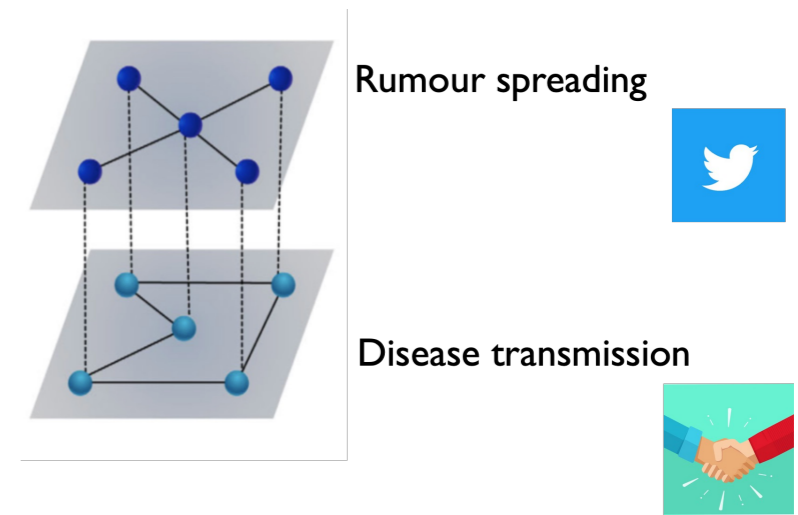
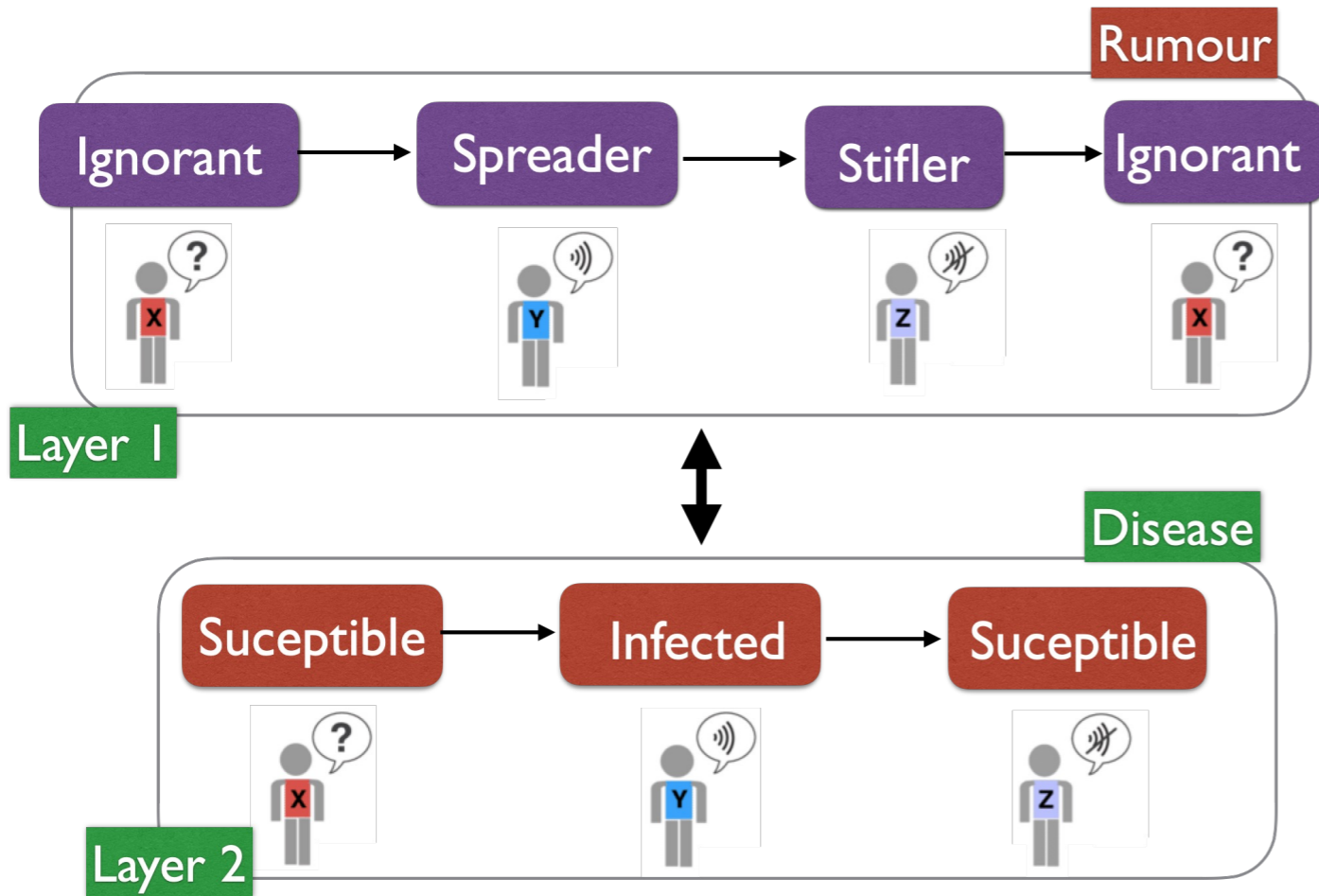
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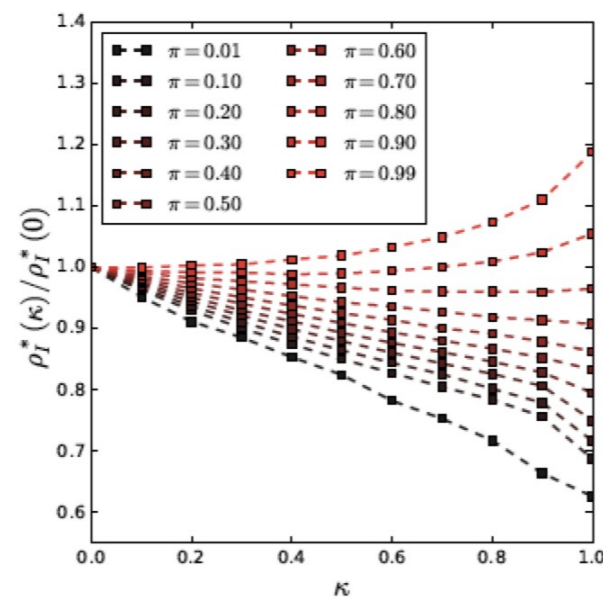
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Multilayer networks



(a) Baseline model



(b) Modified model

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