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# **Complex Dynamic Networks: Architectures, Games, Components, Probability**

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# Taxonomy of Networked Systems

## Infrastructure / Communication Networks

Internet / WWW  
MANET

Sensor Nets

Robotic Nets

Hybrid Nets:  
Comm, Sensor,  
Robotic and  
Human Nets

## Social / Economic Networks

Social  
Interactions  
Collaboration  
Social Filtering  
Economic  
Alliances  
Web-based  
social systems

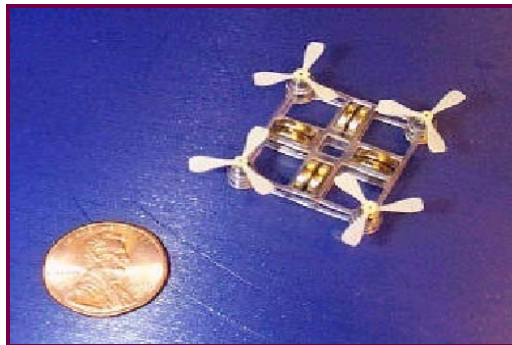
## Biological Networks

Community  
Epidemic  
Cellular and  
Sub-cellular  
Neural  
Insects  
Animal Flocks

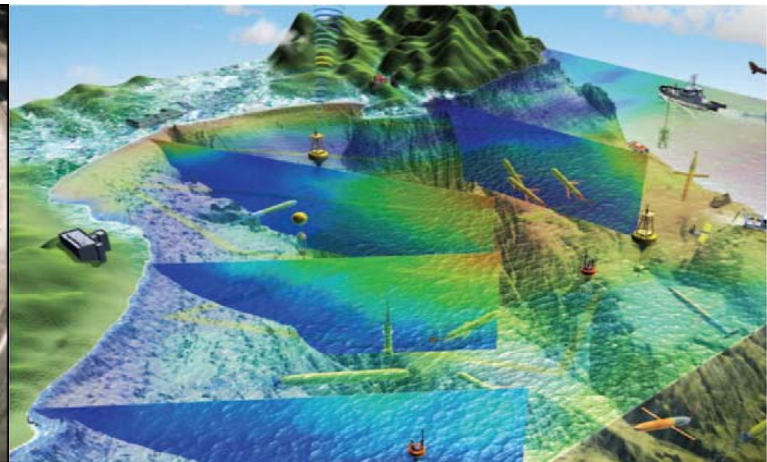
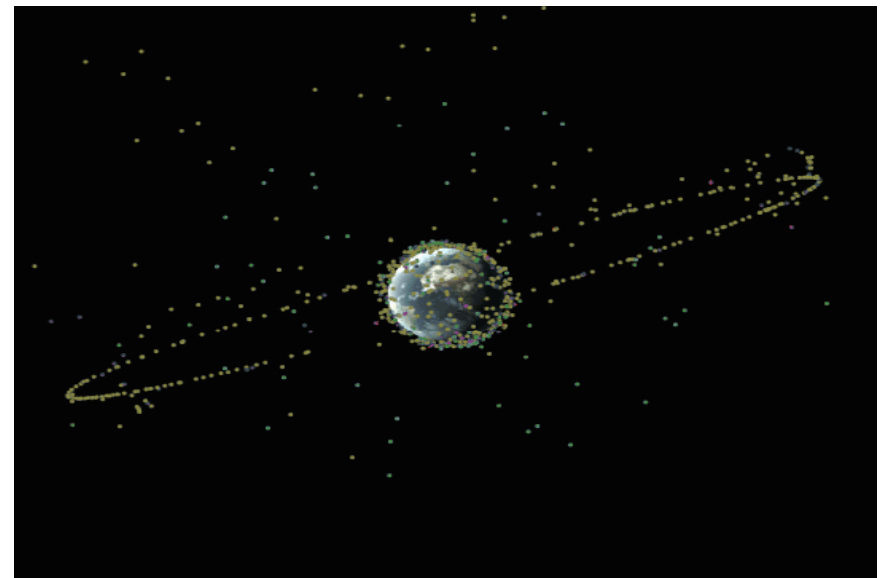
# Biological Swarms



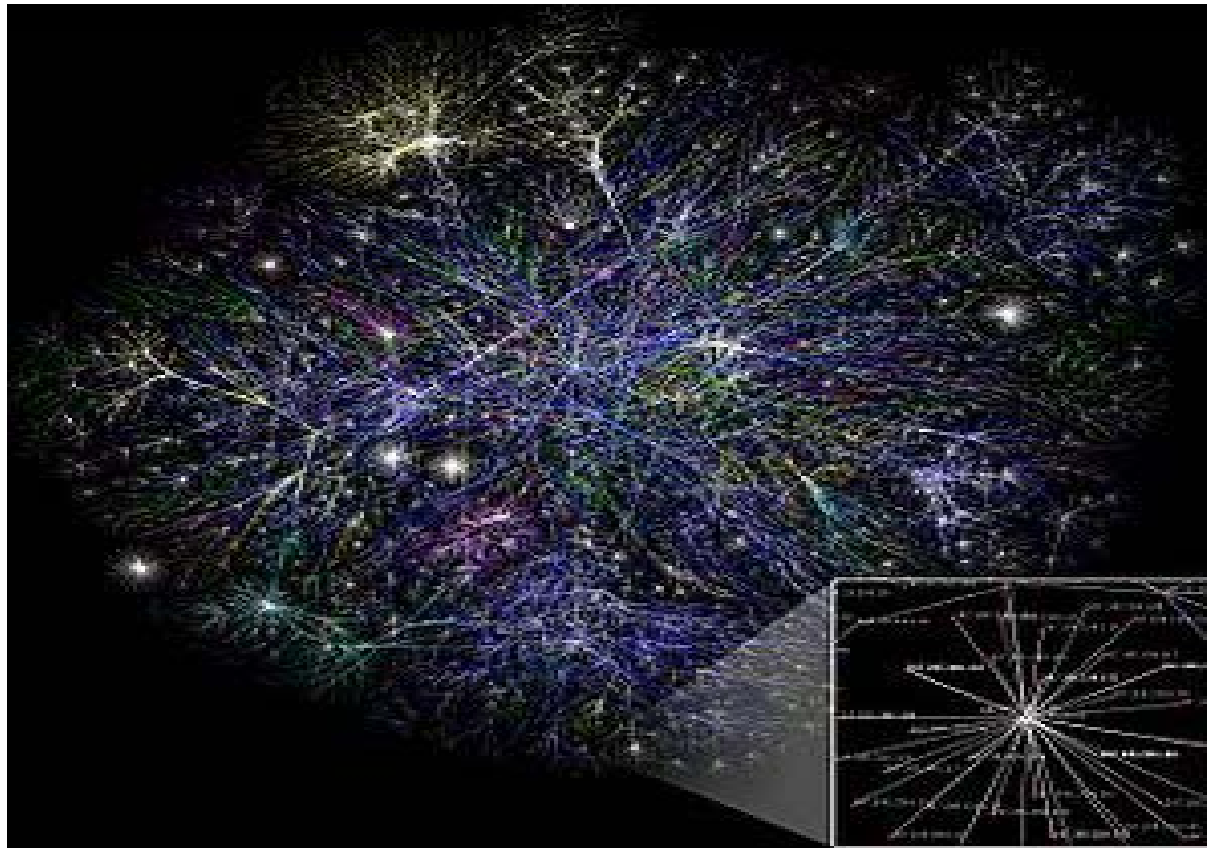




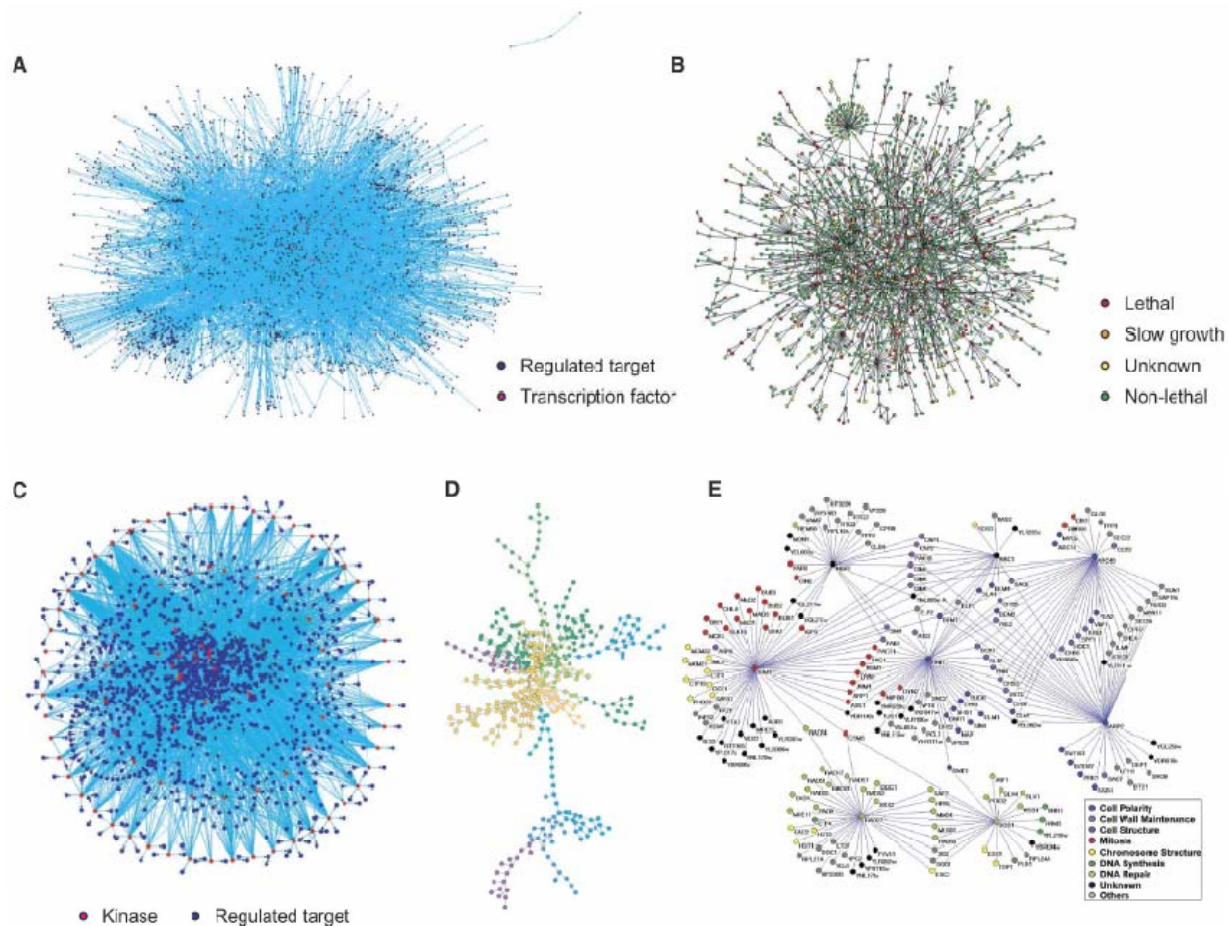
# Autonomous Swarms – Networked Control



# The Internet



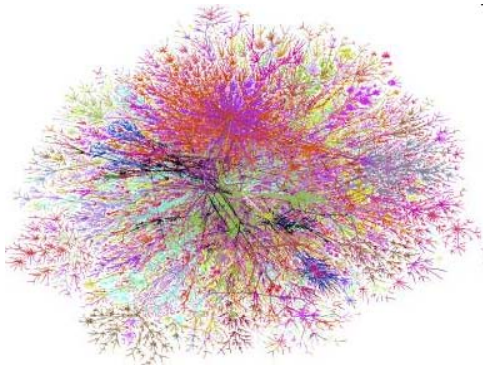




Examples of biological networks: [A] Yeast transcription factor-binding network; [B] Yeast protein-protein interaction network; [C] Yeast phosphorylation network ; [D] *E. Coli* metabolic network ; [E] Yeast genetic network ; Nodes colored according to their YPD cellular roles [Zhu et al, 2007]

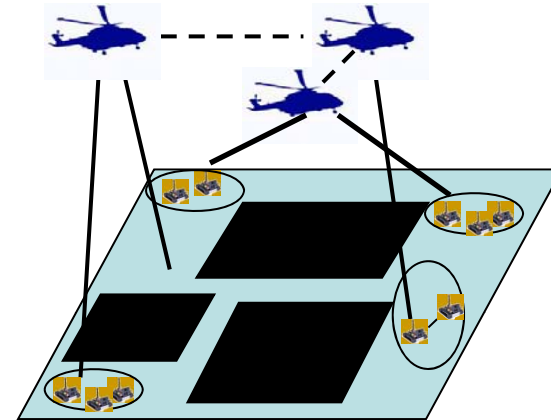


# Networks and Networked Systems

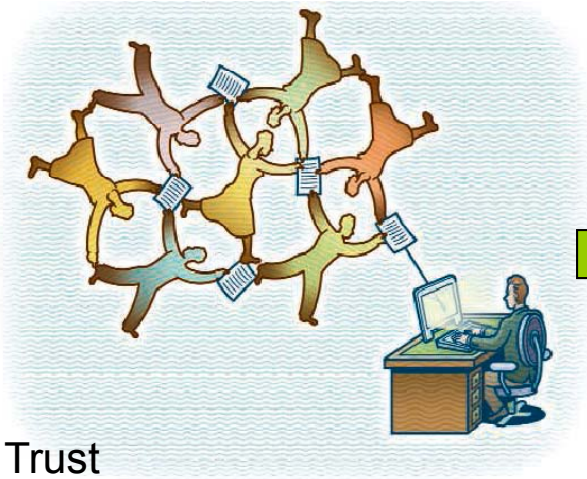


Internet backbone  
(Lumeta Corp.)

Physical



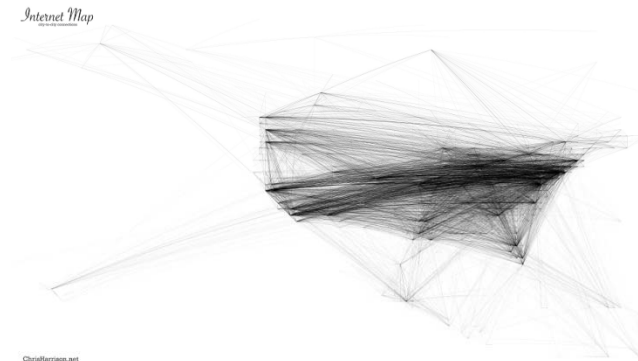
Vehicle, robot networks



Trust

(J Golbeck - Science, 2008)

Logical



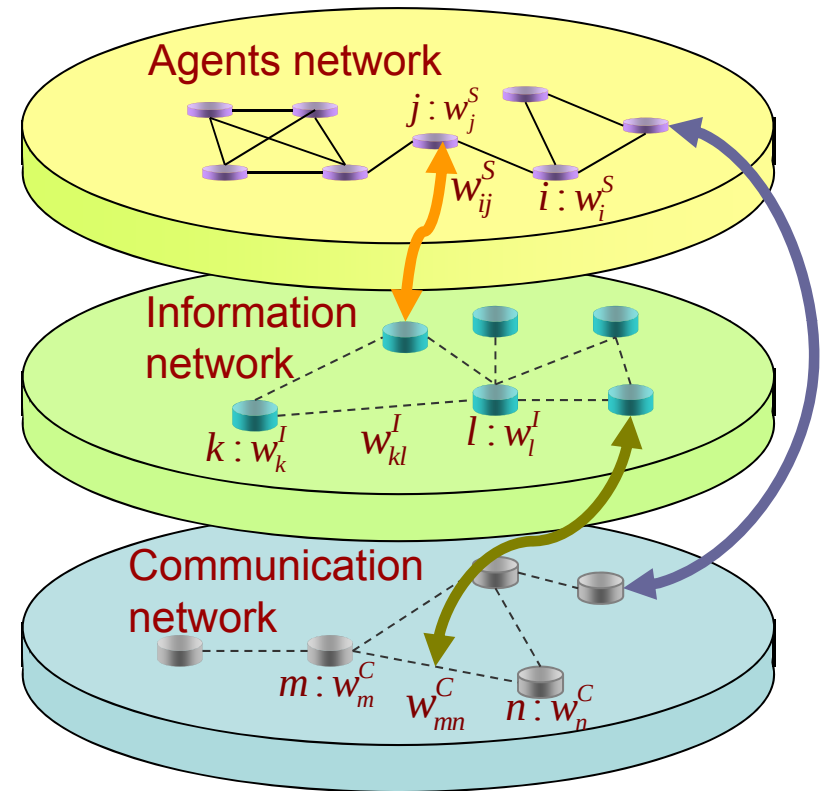
Internet: North American cities

(Chris Harrison)

- **Multiple interacting dynamic hypergraphs – four challenges**
- **Networks and Collaboration -- Constrained Coalitional Games**
- **Trust and Networks**
- **Component-based network synthesis**
- **Topology and performance**
- **New probability models (non Kolmogorov)**
- **Biological networks and cancer dynamics**
- **Conclusions and Future Directions**

# Multiple Interacting Dynamic Hypergraphs

- Multiple Interacting Graphs
  - **Nodes**: agents, individuals, groups, organizations
  - Directed graphs
  - **Links**: ties, relationships
  - **Weights on links** : value (strength, significance) of tie
  - **Weights on nodes** : importance of node (agent)
- **Value directed graphs with weighted nodes**
- **Real-life problems: Dynamic, time varying graphs, relations, weights, policies**



**Networked System  
architecture & operation**

# Network Complexity: Four Fundamental Challenges

- **Multiple interacting dynamic hypergraphs involved**
  - **Collaboration hypergraph**: who collaborates with whom / when
  - **Communication hypergraph**: who communicates with whom / when
- **Effects of connectivity topologies:**

Find graph topologies with favorable tradeoff between performance (**benefit**) vs **cost** of collaborative behaviors

  - **Small word graphs** achieve such **tradeoff**
- Components, Interfaces, **Compositional Synthesis**
  - Network protocols – **component based networking**
  - Compositional Universal Security
- Need for **different probability models** – the classical Kolmogorov model is **not correct**
  - Probability models over logics and timed structures
  - **Logic of projections in Hilbert spaces** – not the Boolean of subsets



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# What is a Network ...?

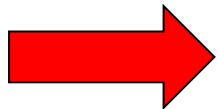
- **In several fields or contexts:**
  - **social**
  - **economic**
  - **communication**
  - **sensor**
  - **biological**
  - **physics and materials**

# A Network is ...

- A collection of nodes, agents, ...  
that **collaborate** to accomplish actions,  
gains, ...  
that cannot be accomplished without such  
collaboration
- Most significant concept for **dynamic  
autonomic networks**

- The nodes **gain** from collaborating
- But collaboration has **costs** (e.g. **communications**)
- Trade-off: **gain** from collaboration vs **cost** of collaboration

Vector metrics involved typically



## Constrained Coalitional Games

- **Example 1: Network Formation** -- Effects on Topology
- **Example 2: Collaborative robotics, communications**
- **Example 3: Web-based social networks and services**
- **Example 4: Groups of cancer tumor or virus cells**

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# Example: Autonomic Networks

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- Autonomic: self-organized, distributed, unattended
  - Sensor networks
  - Mobile ad hoc networks
  - Ubiquitous computing
- Autonomic networks depend on **collaboration** between their nodes for all their functions
  - The nodes **gain** from collaboration: e.g. multihop routing
  - Collaboration introduces **cost** : e.g. energy consumption for packet forwarding

# Example: Social Webs



- In August 2007, there were totally 330,000,000 unique visits to social web sites. (Source: Nielsen Online)
  - 9 sites with over 10,000,000 unique visits
  - MySpace, Facebook, Windows Live Spaces, Flickr, Classmates Online, Orkut, Yahoo! Groups, MSN Groups
- Main types of social networking services
  - directories of some categories: e.g. former classmates
  - means to connect with friends: usually with self-description pages
  - **recommender systems** linked to **trust/reputation**

- Users gain by joining a coalition

- **Wireless networks**

- The benefit of nodes in wireless networks can be the rate of data flow they receive, which is a function of the received power

$$B_{ij} = f(P_j l(d_{ij}))$$

$P_j$  is the power to generate the transmission and  $l(d_{ij}) < 1$  is the loss factor

e.g:  $B_{ij} = \log(1 + (P_j l(d_{ij}) / N_0))$

- **Social connection** model (Jackson & Wolinsky 1996)

$$B_{ij} = \sum_{j \in g} V \delta^{r_{ij}-1} \quad \text{or} \quad w_i(G)$$

- $r_{ij}$  is # of hops in the shortest path between  $i$  and  $j$
- $0 \leq \delta \leq 1$  is the connection gain depreciation rate

- Activating links is costly.  $c_i(G) = \sum_{j \in N_i^t} C_{ij}$ 
  - **Wireless networks**
    - **Energy consumption** for sending data:  $C_{ij} = RSd_{ij}^\alpha$   
 $RS$  depends on transmitter/receiver antenna gains and system loss not related to propagation  
 $\alpha$  : path loss exponent
    - **Data loss** during transmission  
 $v_i$  is the environment noise and  $I_{ij}$  is the interference  

$$C_{ij} = h(v_i, I_{ij}) > 0$$
  - **Social connection model**
    - The more a node is **trusted**, the lower the cost to establish link  
e.g. suppose that the trust  $i$  has on  $j$  is  $s_{ij}$  (between 0 and 1),  
we can define the cost as the inverse of the trust values

$$C_{ij} = 1 / s_{ij}$$

- **Payoff** of node  $i$  from the network  $G$  is defined as

$$v_i(G) = \text{gain} - \text{cost} = w_i(G) - c_i(G)$$

- **Iterated process**

- Node pair  $ij$  is selected with probability  $p_{ij}$
- If link  $ij$  is already in the network, the decision is whether to sever it, and otherwise the decision is whether to activate the link
- The nodes act **myopically**, activating the link if it makes each at least as well off and one strictly better off, and deleting the link if it makes either player better off
- **End**: if after some time, no additional links are formed or severed
- **With random mutations**, the game converges to a unique Pareto equilibrium (underlying Markov chain states)



- Dynamic process is now a finite state, aperiodic, irreducible Markov chain (graph process)-- steady-state distribution,  $\Pi(g, \varepsilon)$ .
- A network  $g$  is **stochastically stable** if  $\Pi(g, \varepsilon)$  is bounded below as the error rate,  $\varepsilon$ , tends to zero;

$\Pi(g, \varepsilon) \rightarrow a > 0$ , as  $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0$ .

- Stochastically stable networks must be pairwise stable networks or networks of closed cycles
- Stochastic stability identifies the most “robust” or easy to reach networks in a particular sense (the most mutations needed to get “unstuck”).
- The above example converges to a Pareto efficient pairwise stable network by considering all the possible dynamic paths between the left and right networks.

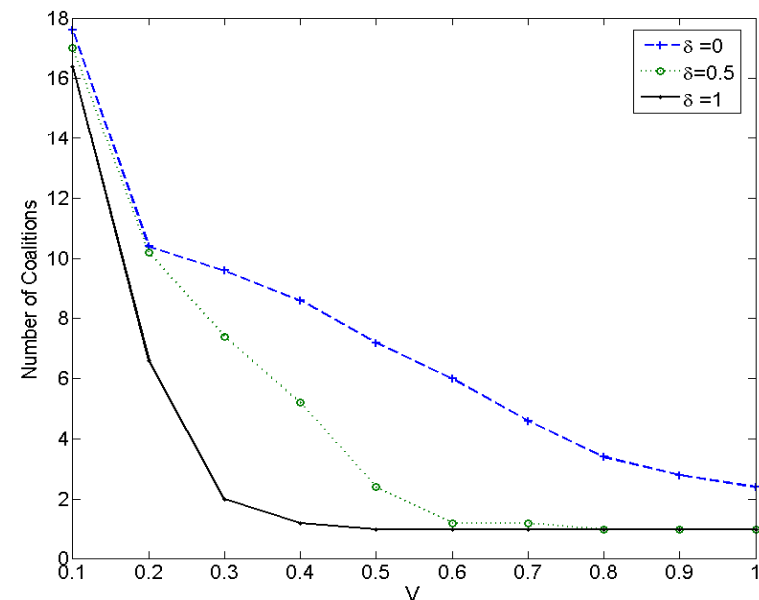
# Coalition Formation at the Stable State

- The cost depends on the physical locations of nodes
  - Random network where nodes are placed according to a uniform Poisson point process on the  $[0,1] \times [0,1]$  square.
- Theorem:** The coalition formation at the stable state for  $n \rightarrow \infty$

— Given  $\delta = 0$ ,  $V = P \left( \frac{\ln n}{n} \right)^{\frac{\alpha}{2}}$  is a

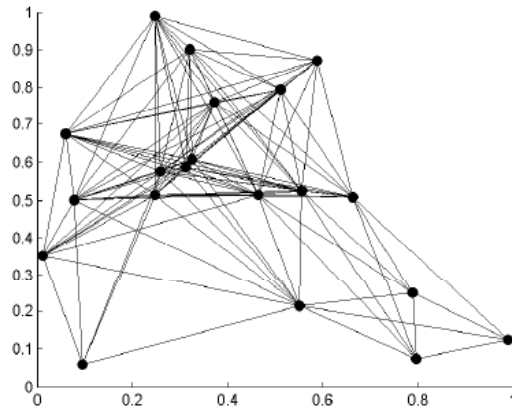
sharp threshold for establishing the grand coalition ( number of coalitions = 1).

— For  $0 < \delta \leq 1$ , the threshold is less than  $P \left( \frac{\ln n}{n} \right)^{\frac{\alpha}{2}}$ .

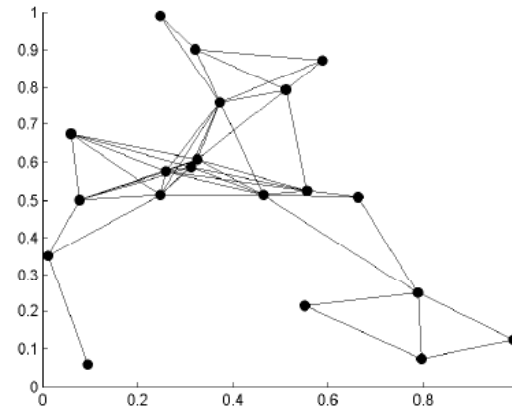


$n = 20$

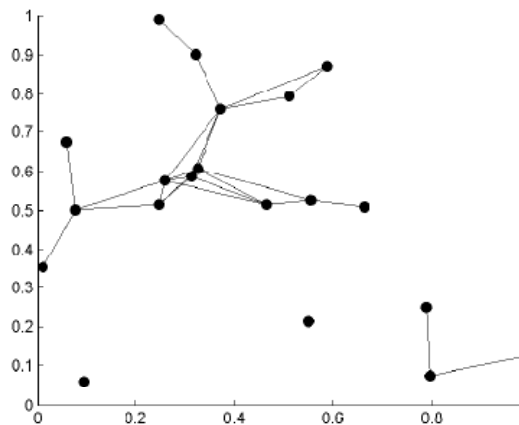
# Topologies Formed



(a)  $P = 0.5$  (low cost); complete graph



(b)  $P = 2$  (middle cost); small world topology



(c)  $P = 4$  (high cost); partitioned network

# Time-dependent Game



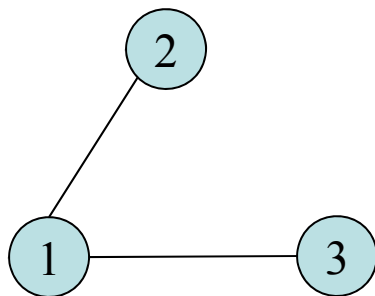
- The game is time-dependent
  - The payoff players receive **varies over time**.
  - The dynamics of the game can be separated in rounds of successive coalition expansions (or contractions).
- The dynamic coalition formation process is described as an iterated game
  - $x_i^t$  : the action  $i$  chooses at time  $t$ .
  - $v_i(x^t)$  : the payoff of user  $i$  at time  $t$ .
  - $q^t(x)$ : players' probability of playing action  $x$  at time  $t$ .
  - $C_i^t$  : the set of users that form the coalition user  $i$  belongs to at time  $t$ .
  - user  $i$  and user  $j$  decide to activate link  $ij$  at time  $t$ :

$$C_i^t = C_j^t = C_i^{t-1} \cup C_j^{t-1}$$

- Value function for coalition  $C$  (**component-wise additive** value function)

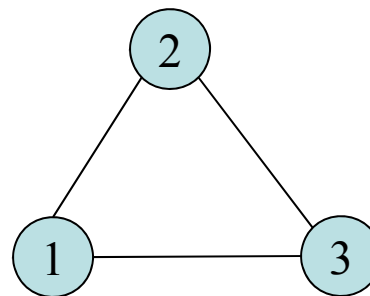
$$v(C) = \sum_{i \in C} v_i(g)$$

- Value function depends on topology



Same coalition  $C=\{1,2,3\}$   
with different topology

$$v(\{1,2,3\}) \neq v(\{1,2,3\})$$



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- **Trust and reputation critical for collaboration**
- Characteristics of trust relations:
  - *Integrative* (Parsons 1937) – main source of social order
  - *Reduction of complexity* – without it bureaucracy and transaction complexity increases (Luhmann 1988)
  - *Trust as a lubricant for cooperation* (Arrow 1974) – rational choice theory
- **Social Webs, Economic Webs**
  - MySpace, Facebook, Windows Live Spaces, Flickr, Classmates Online, Orkut, Yahoo! Groups, MSN Groups
  - e-commerce, e-XYZ, services and service composition
  - **Reputation** and **recommender** systems

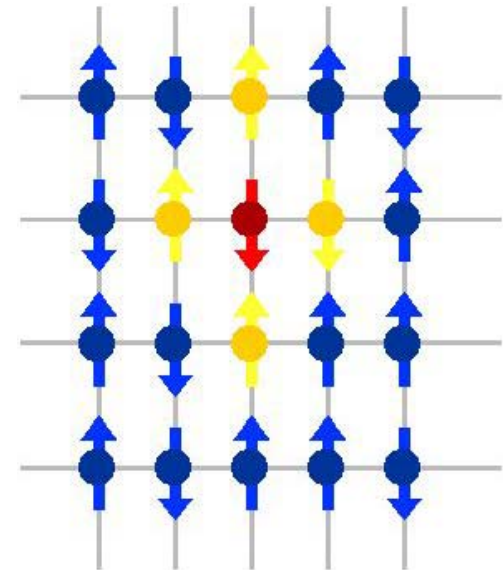
# Ising and Spin Glass Models

- Statistical Physics models for magnetization

Orientation of each particle's spin depends on its  
**neighbors**

*Ising Model*: behavior of simple magnets

*Spin Glass Model*: complex materials



- Interpretation:

$\mathbf{s} = \{s_1, s_2, \dots, s_n\}$  is a **configuration** of  $n$   
particle spins --  $s_j = 1$  or  $-1$  (up or down)

Energy for configuration  $\mathbf{s}$

$$H(\mathbf{s}) = -\frac{1}{T} \sum_{\substack{i \in V \\ j \in N_i}} J_{ij} s_i s_j - \frac{mH}{T} \sum_i s_i$$

- **Ising Model**:  $J_{ij} = J$  for all  $i, j$
- **Spin Glass Model**:  $J_{ij}$  depend on  $i, j$  and can be **random**

# Ising/SG Models and Games

- Ising/SG models **can be interpreted as dynamic (repeated) games**:
  - The value of  $s_i$  represents whether node  $i$  is willing to **cooperate or not**
  - each particle selects spin to **maximize** its own **payoff**

$$\pi_i = (\sum_{j \in N_i} J_{ij} s_i s_j) / T$$

- Ising model ( $J_{ij} = J > 0$ ) : align its spin with the majority of neighbors spin
    - High  $T$ , conservative agents, not willing to change, small payoffs
    - Low  $T$ , aggressive agents, larger payoffs
  - Collection of local decisions reduces the total energy of the interacting particles
- Inspires an approach where **trust** is an **incentive for cooperation**
  - $J_{ij}$  can be interpreted as the **worth of player  $j$  to player  $i$**
  - decide to cooperate or not based on benefit from cooperation **and** trust values of neighbors

# Trust as Mechanism to Induce Collaboration

- Trust **is an incentive** for collaboration
  - Nodes who refrain from cooperation get lower trust values
  - Eventually penalized because **other nodes tend to only cooperate with highly trusted ones**.
- For node  $i$  **loss for not cooperating** with node  $j$  is a nondecreasing function of  $J_{ji}$ ,  $f(J_{ji})$ ,
- New characteristic function is

$$\nu(\mathcal{S}) = \sum_{i,j \in \mathcal{S}} J_{ij} - \sum_{i \in \mathcal{S}, j \notin \mathcal{S}} f(J_{ij})$$

- **Theorem** : if  $\forall i, j, J_{ij} + f(J_{ji}) \geq 0$ , the core is nonempty and  $x_i = \sum_{j \in N_i} J_{ij}$  is a feasible payoff allocation in the core.

**By introducing a trust mechanism, all nodes are induced to collaborate without any negotiation**

# Dynamic Coalition Formation

## Two linked dynamics

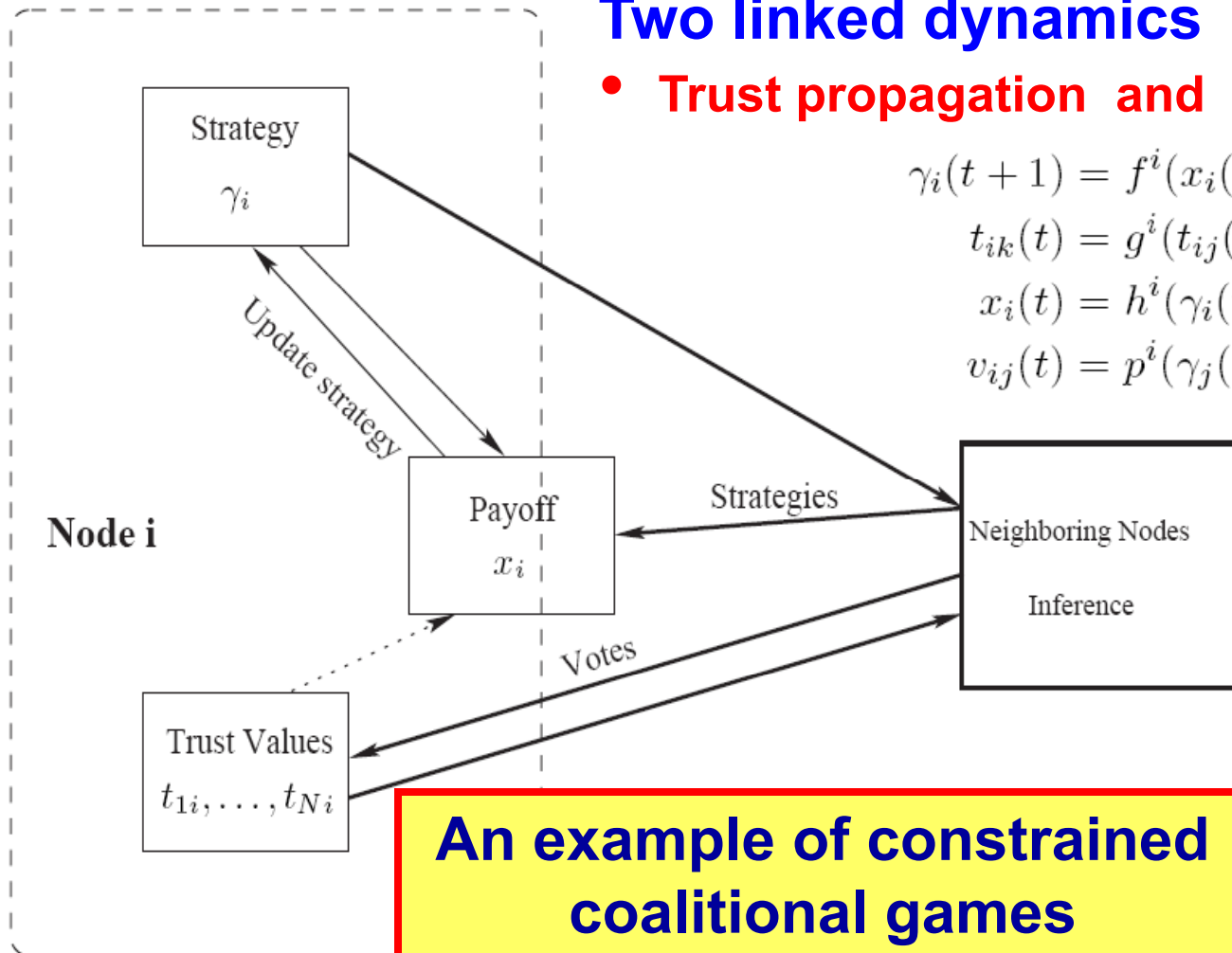
- Trust propagation and Game evolution

$$\gamma_i(t+1) = f^i(x_i(t), \gamma_i(t), \gamma_j(t), t_{ij}(t))$$

$$t_{ik}(t) = g^i(t_{ij}(t), v_{jk}(t)) \quad \forall k \in N$$

$$x_i(t) = h^i(\gamma_i(t), \gamma_j(t))$$

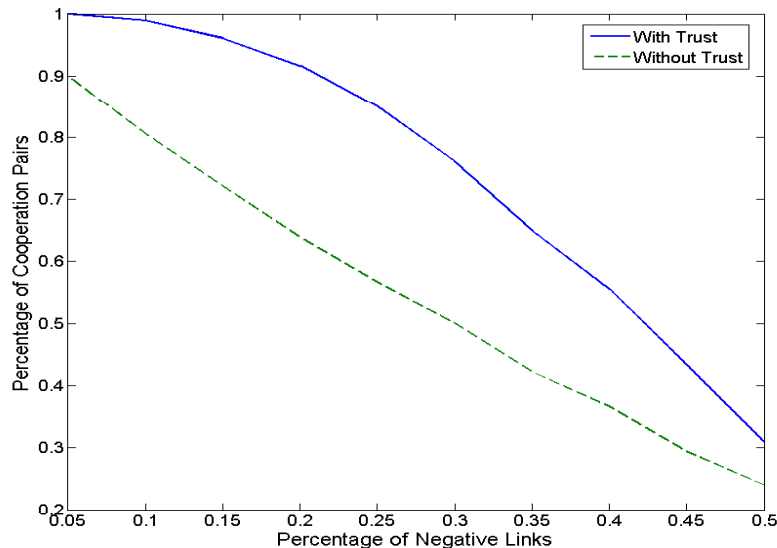
$$v_{ij}(t) = p^i(\gamma_j(t), t_{ji}(t))$$



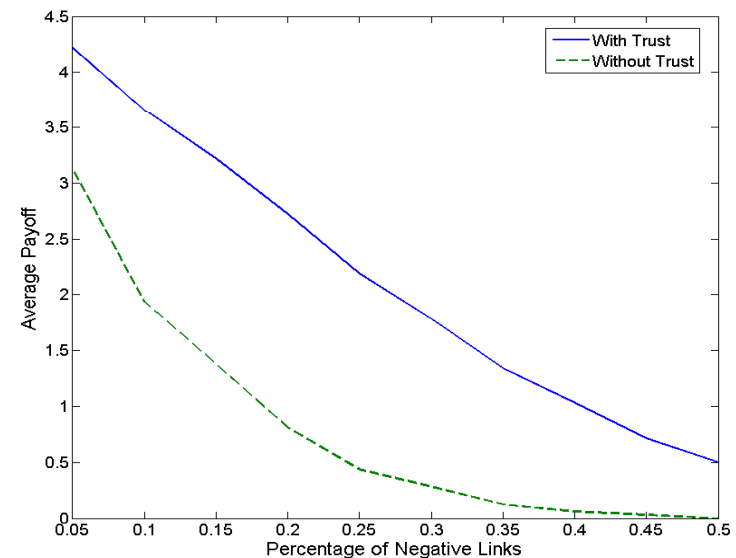
**An example of constrained coalitional games**

**Stability** of  
dynamic  
coalition  
Nash equilibrium

- **Theorem:**  $\forall i \in N_i$  and  $x_i = \sum_{j \in N_i} J_{ij}$ , there exists  $\tau_0$ , such that for a reestablishing period  $\tau > \tau_0$ 
  - iterated game converges to Nash equilibrium;
  - In the Nash equilibrium, all nodes cooperate with all their neighbors.
- Compare games **with** (**without**) trust mechanism, strategy update:



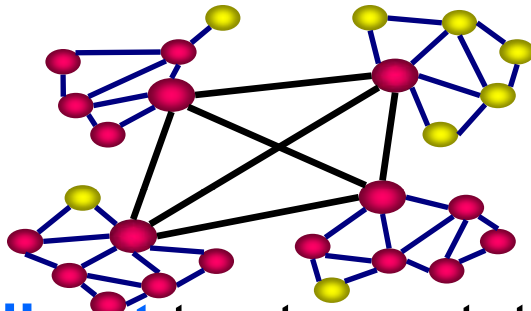
Percentage of cooperating pairs vs negative links



Average payoffs vs negative links

# Next Generation Trust Analytics

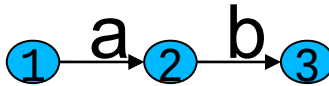
- Trust evaluation, trust and mistrust dynamics
  - Spin glasses (from **statistical physics**), phase transitions



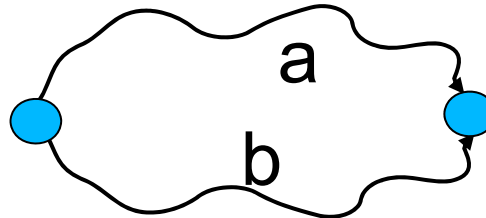
$$s_i(k+1) = f\left(\hat{J}_{ji}, s_j(k) \mid j \in N_i\right)$$

- Indirect** trust; reputations, profiles; Trust computation via ‘linear’ **iterations in ordered semirings**

$$a \otimes b \leq a, b$$



$$a \oplus b \geq a, b$$



2007 IEEE Leonard Abraham prize  
New Book “Path Problems in  
Networks” 2010

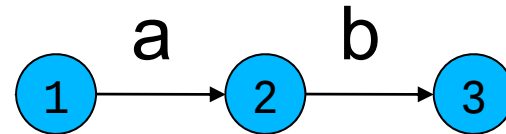
- Direct trust: Iterated pairwise games on graphs** with players of many types



# Generalized Networks and Semirings

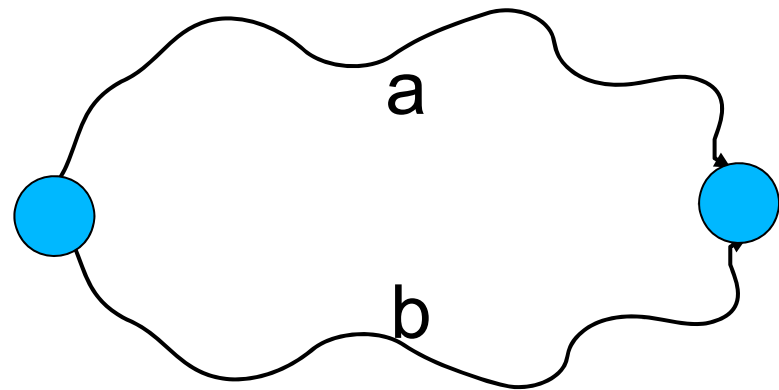
- Combined **along-a-path weight should not increase** :

$$a \otimes b \leq a, b$$



- Combined **across-paths weight should not decrease** :

$$a \oplus b \geq a, b$$



- Path interpretation

$$t_{i \rightarrow j} = \bigoplus_{\text{path } p: i \rightarrow j} t_{i \rightarrow j}^p$$

- **Linear system interpretation**

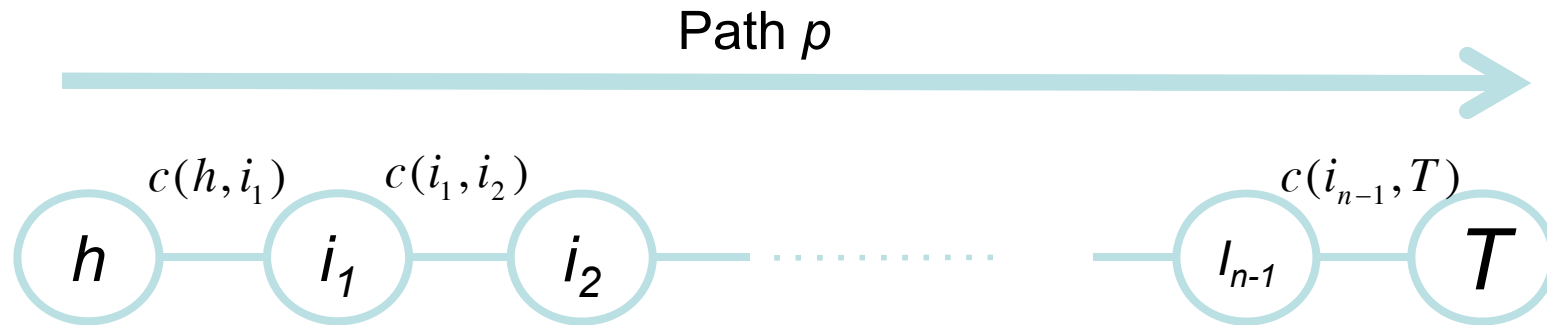
$$t_{i \rightarrow j} = \bigoplus_{\text{User } k} t_{i \rightarrow k} \bigoplus w_{k \rightarrow j}$$

$$\vec{t}_n = W \otimes \vec{t}_{n-1} \bigoplus \vec{b}$$

- Treat as a **linear system**
  - We are looking for its **steady state**.
- Have resolved also **shortest path sensitivity** in semiring framework

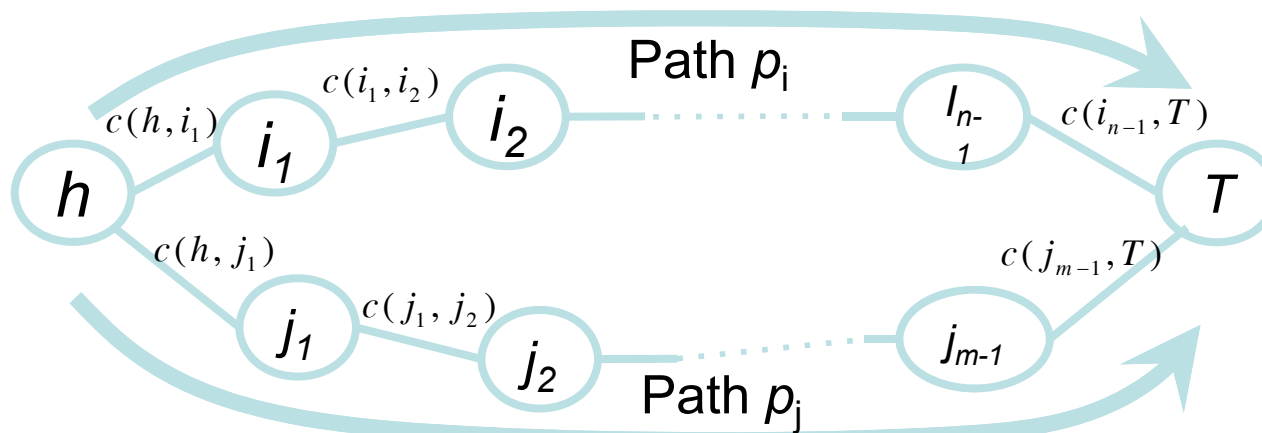
# Graphs and Semirings

Consider undirected graph  $G(V, E)$  with edge weights  $c(i, j) \in S$



Weight of the path  $p$  by edge composition is

$$w(p) = c(h, i_1) \otimes c(i_1, i_2) \otimes \dots \otimes c(i_{n-1}, T)$$



Composing  
path weights:

$$w(p_i) \oplus w(p_j)$$

# Ordered Semirings

- Functions with semiring structure lend themselves to distributed computation/evaluation
- **Ordered semirings**  $\oplus$  is the supremum or infimum operator and  $(S, \otimes, \preceq)$  is an **ordered** semigroup
- Associate with every edge  $(i, j)$  of the dynamic graph a semiring element  $c(i, j)[t] \in S$
- **General semiring optimal path problem** on a dynamic graph corresponds to computing

$$p^* (S, T)[t] = \arg \oplus_{p \in P_{S, T}[t]} \otimes_{(i, j) \in p} c(i, j)[t]$$

# Multi-Criteria Shortest Path (several metrics)

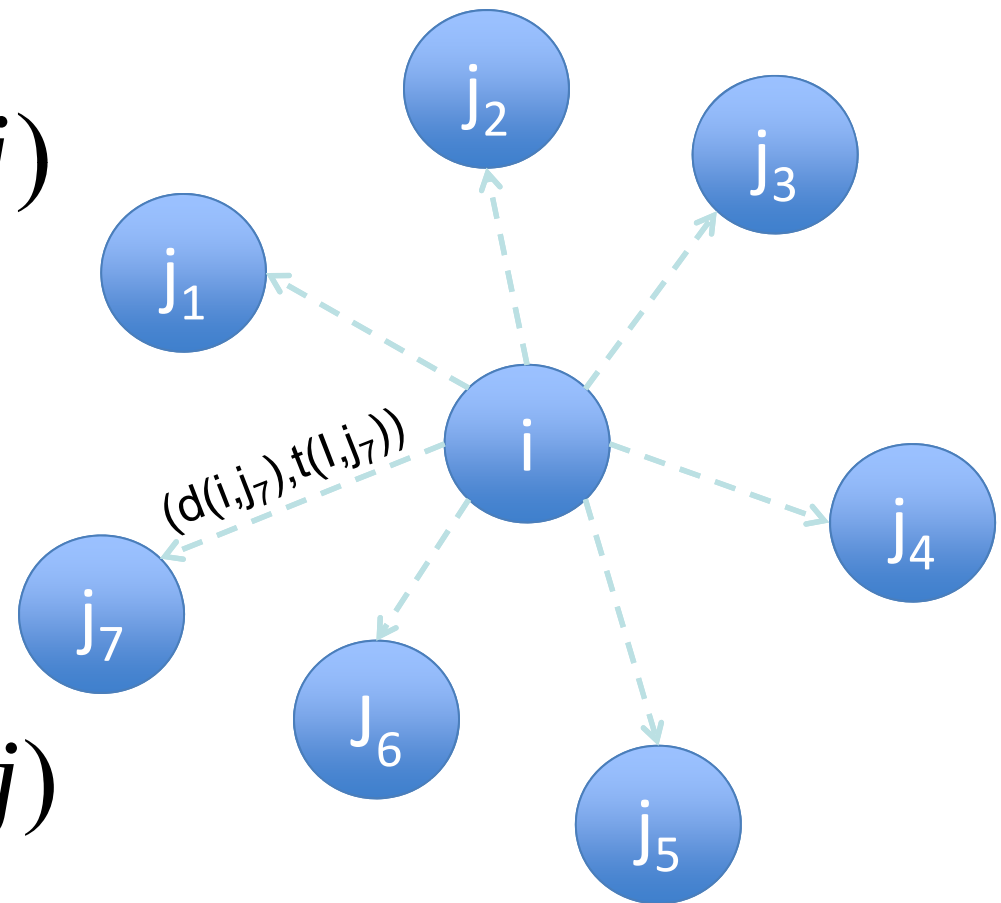
- **D** of a path “p”

$$d(p) = \sum_{(i,j) \in p} d(i,j)$$

- **T** of a path “p” –  
bottleneck

$$t(p) = \min_{(i,j) \in p} t(i,j)$$

*Bi-metric Network*

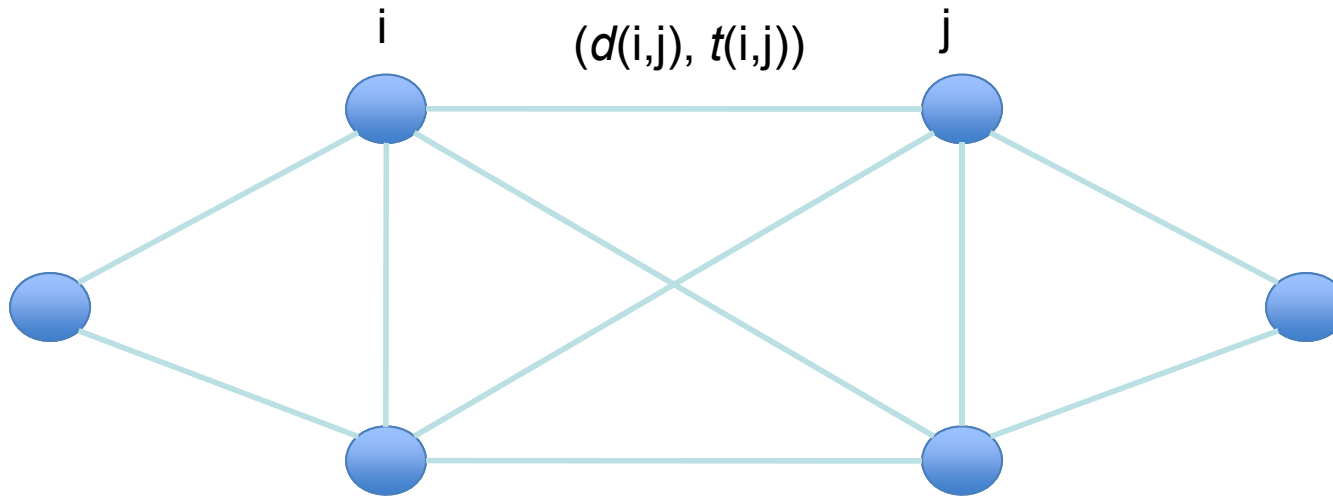


- The two metrics are not trivially comparable.

$$MCOP : (\mathcal{P}_{SD}, f, X) / \theta / (\mathcal{R}^Q, \preceq)$$

| Notation         | Definition                                                       | Name                               |
|------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| $x \leq y$       | $x_i \leq y_i \quad i = 1, 2, \dots, Q$                          | Weak component-wise order          |
| $x < y$          | $x_i \leq y_i \quad i = 1, 2, \dots, Q \text{ and } x \neq y$    | Component-wise order               |
| $x \ll y$        | $x_i < y_i \quad i = 1, 2, \dots, Q$                             | Strict component-wise order        |
| $x \leq_{lex} y$ | $x_k < y_k \text{ or } x = y \quad k = \min\{i : x_i \neq y_i\}$ | Lexicographic component-wise order |
| $x \leq_{MO} y$  | $\max_i x_i \leq \max_i y_i$                                     | Max order                          |

# Path problems on Graphs – D and T Semirings



$$\min_{p \in \mathcal{P}_{SD}} d(p) = \min_{p \in \mathcal{P}_{SD}} \sum_{(i,j) \in p} d(i,j)$$

$$\max_{p \in \mathcal{P}_{SD}} t(p) = \max_{p \in \mathcal{P}_{SD}} \left( \min_{(i,j) \in p} t(i,j) \right) = -\min_{p \in \mathcal{P}_{SD}} \left( \max_{(i,j) \in p} (-t(i,j)) \right)$$

**DSemiring:**  $(\mathcal{R}_+ \cup \{0\}, \min, +)$

**TSemiring:**  $(-\mathcal{R}_+ \cup \{0\}, \min, \max)$

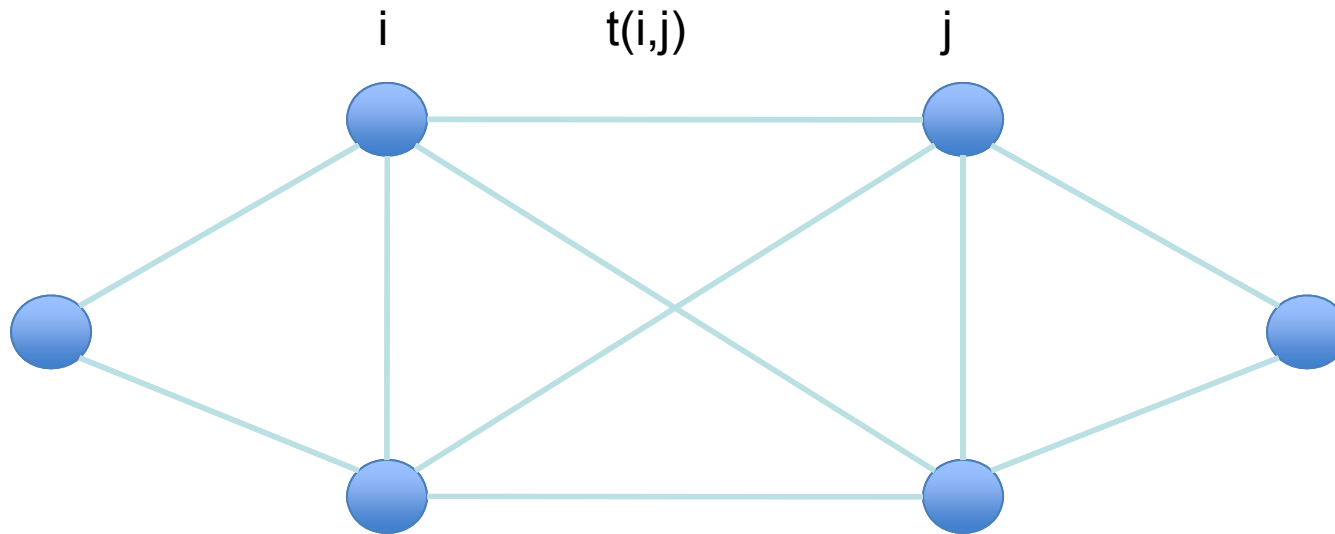
$$f : \mathcal{P}_{SD} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$$

$$f(p) = (d(p), -t(p)), \quad \forall p \in \mathcal{P}_{SD}$$

**Notions of Optimality:** Pareto, Lexicographic, Max-Ordering, Approx. Semirings

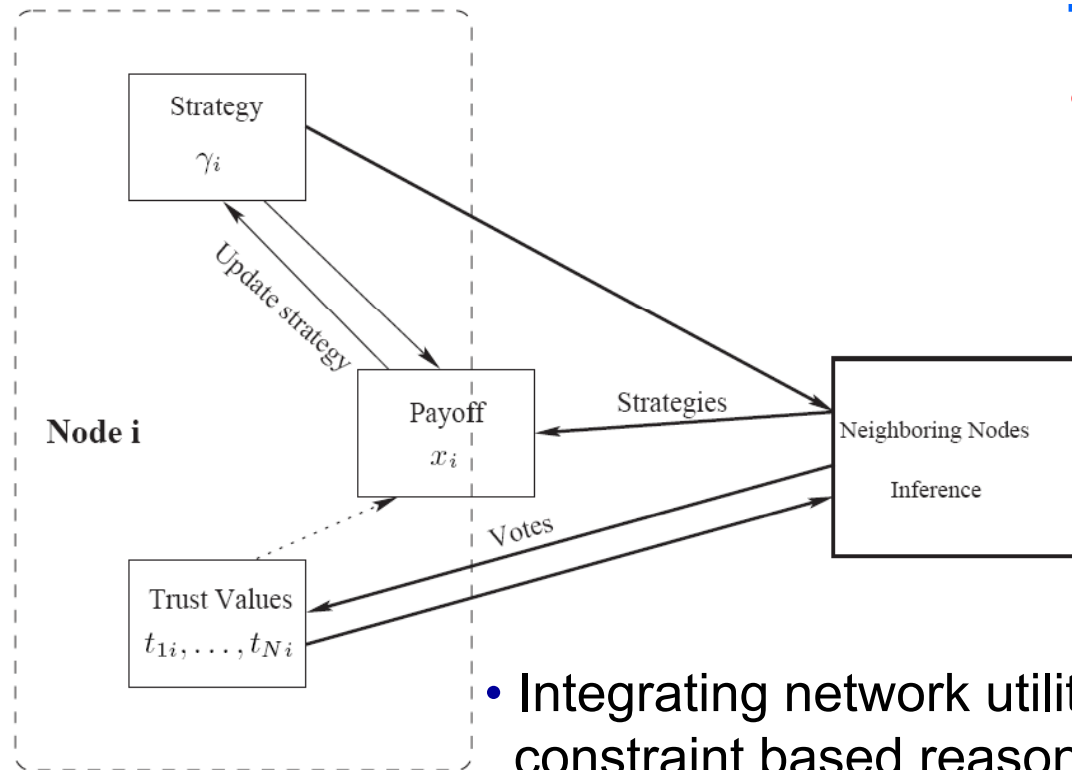


# Pareto optimal paths – Edge exclusion algorithm



- Edge exclusion – From  $G(V,E)$ , remove all the edges whose  $t(i,j) > \varepsilon$  to obtain a graph  $G'(\varepsilon)$
- $G'(\varepsilon)$  contains paths which have all  $t(i,j) \leq \varepsilon$
- We can also show that  $G'$  has all paths in  $G$  which have  $t(i,j) \leq \varepsilon$  and only those

# Constrained Coalitional Games: Trust and Collaboration



## Two linked dynamics

- **Trust / Reputation propagation and Game evolution**

- Integrating network utility maximization (NUM) with constraint based reasoning and coalitional games

- Beyond linear algebra and weights, semirings of constraints, constraint programming, soft constraints semirings, policies, agents
- Learning on graphs and network dynamic games: behavior, adversaries
- Adversarial models, attacks, constrained shortest paths, ...

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# Component-Based Heterogeneous Network Synthesis

- How to synthesize resilient, robust, adaptive networks?



## *Component-Based Network Analysis & Synthesis (CBN)*

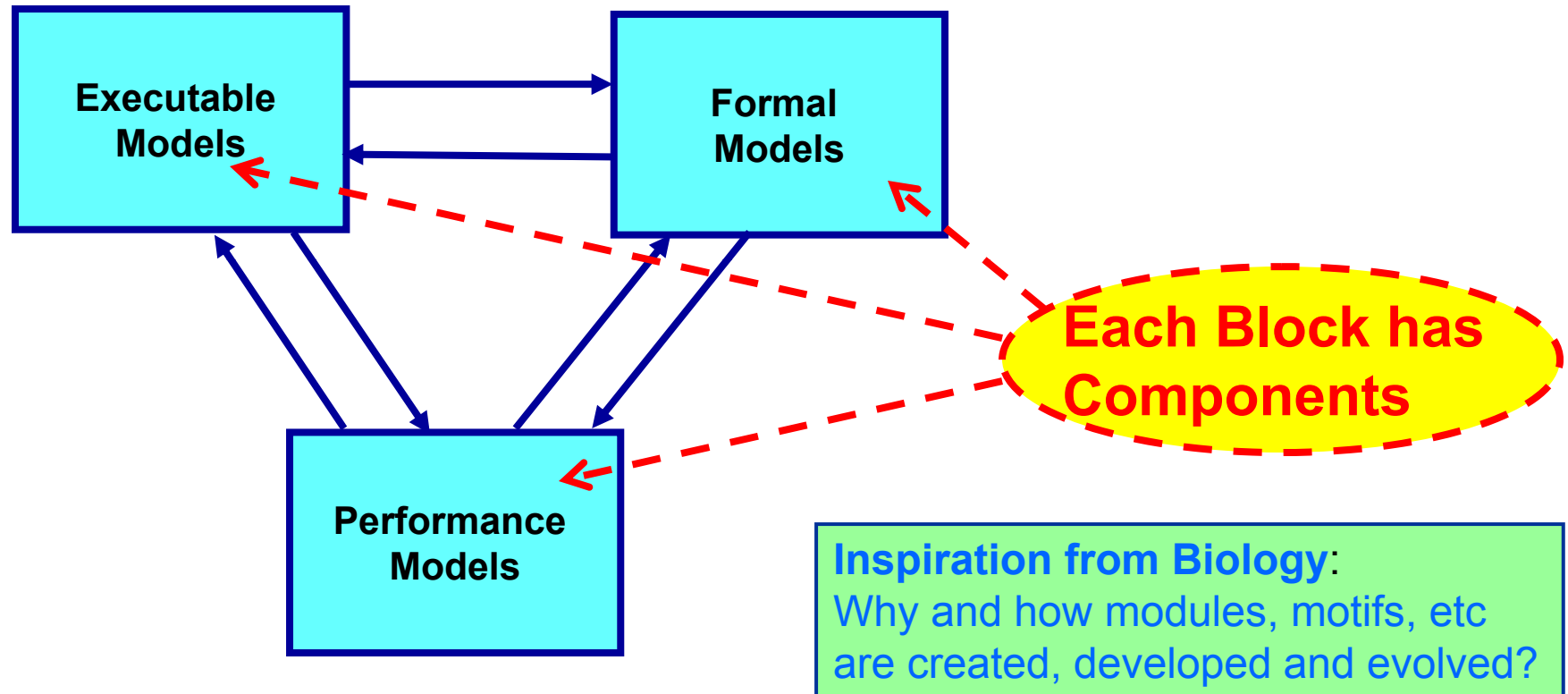
- **Components**: modularity, cost reduction, re - usability, adaptability to goals, new technology insertion, validation and verification
- **Interfaces**: richer functionality– intelligent/cognitive networks
- **Theory and Practice of Component-Based Networks**
  - Heterogeneous components and **compositionality**
  - Performance of components and of their compositions
  - Back and forth from **performance - optimization domain** to **correctness and timing analysis domain** and have composition theory preserving component properties as you try to satisfy specs in both domains
- From communication to social, from cellular to transportation, from nano to macro networks
- Critical theory and methodology for Networked Embedded Systems, CyBer Physical Systems, Systems Biology

# Networks: Different Linked Views

## Networks:

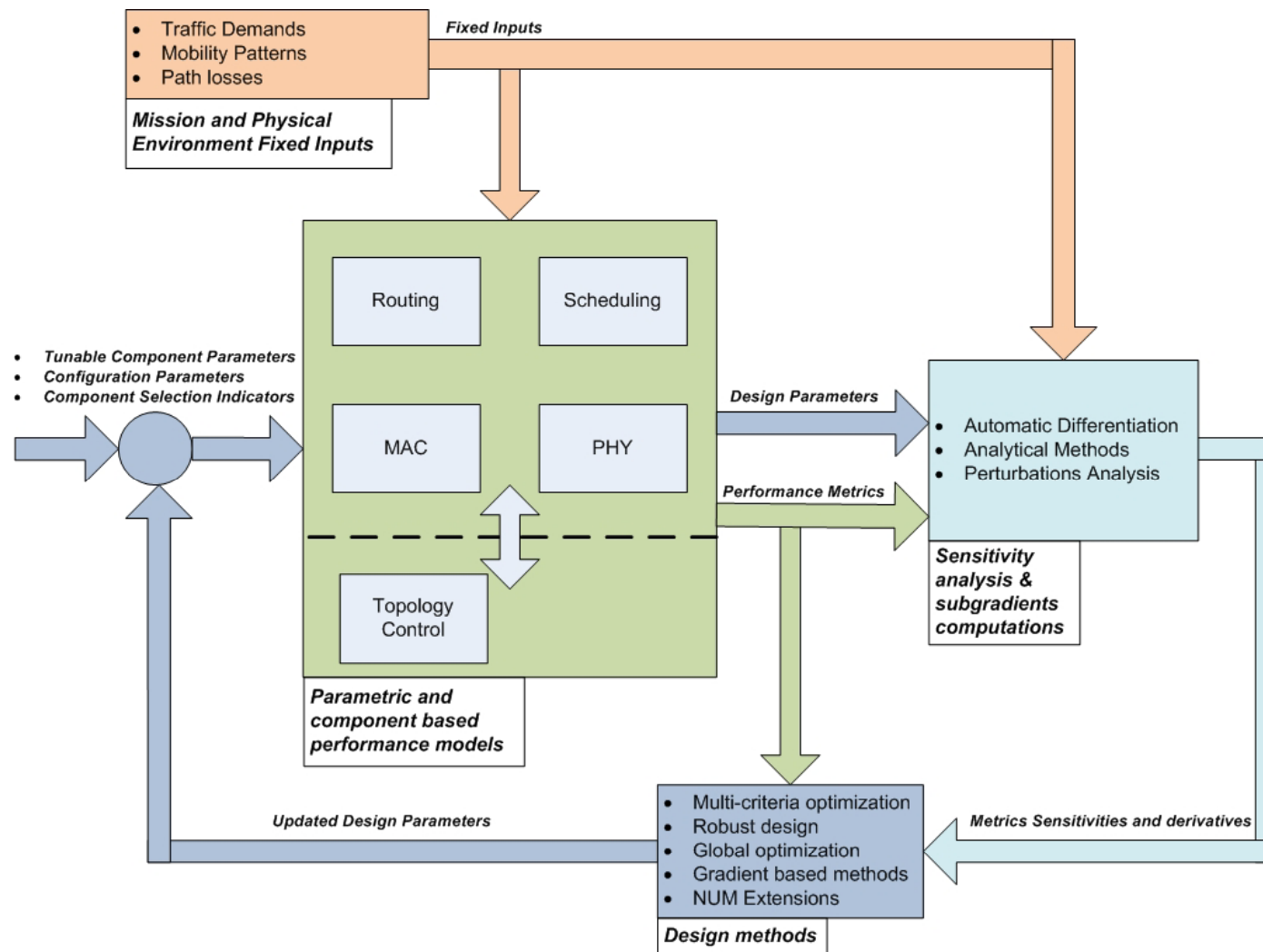
- as **distributed, asynchronous, feedback (many loops), hybrid automata (dynamical systems)**
- as **distributed asynchronous active databases** and **knowledge bases**
- as **distributed asynchronous computers**

# Component-Based Heterogeneous Networked Systems Synthesis



**Grand challenge:** Develop this framework for distributed, partially asynchronous systems, with heterogeneous components and time semantics

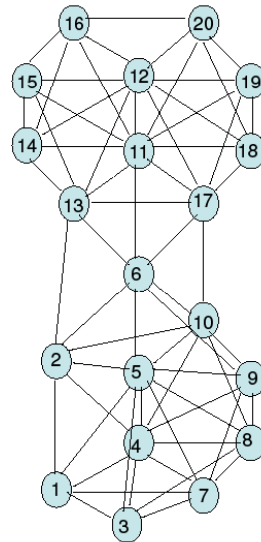
# Component Based Routing (CBR) and Networking (CBN) for MANET



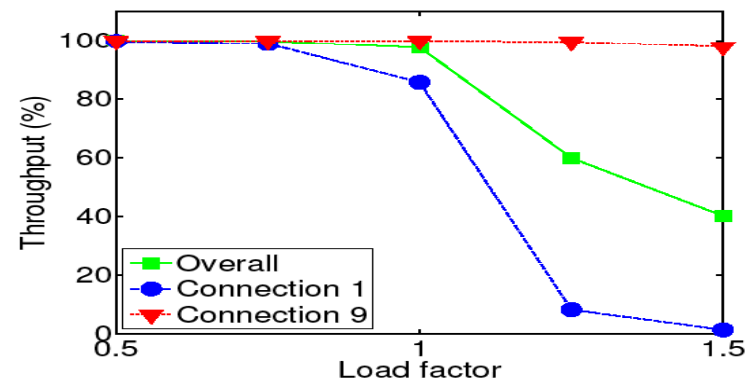
- **Objective**
  - Design MANET adaptable to missions with predictable performance
- **Approach**
  - **Break traditional layers to components!** Develop component-based models MANET that considers cross-layer dependency to improve the performance
  - Study the effect of each component on the overall MANET performance
- **Routing Components** – routing protocols like OLSR [Baras08]
  - Neighbor Discovery Component (NDC)
  - Selector of Topology Information to Disseminate Component (STIDC)
  - Topology dissemination Component (TDC)
  - Route Selection Component (RSC)
- **MAC Components** – based on CSMA-CA MAC protocols like IEEE 802.11 [Baras08], and on schedules based MAC (USAP) [Baras09]
  - Scheduler
  - MAC



- Realistic MANET scenarios from DARPA CB-MANET benchmarks
- 20 node, 10 connections -- up to 50 moving nodes with disconnections (ground and UAVs)
- **Substantial improvements of performance through new NDC and STIDC** components (as compared to traditional OLSR) – being reported to MANET WG of IRTF



PHY Layer Connectivity



Throughputs for increasing load

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# Distributed Algorithms in Networked Systems and Topologies



- Distributed algorithms are essential
  - Group of agents with certain abilities
  - Agents **communicate with neighbors**, share/process information
  - Agents **perform local** actions
  - **Emergence** of global behaviors
- **Effectiveness** of distributed algorithms
  - The **speed** of convergence
  - **Robustness** to agent/connection failures
  - Energy/ communication **efficiency**
- **Group topology affects** group performance
- **Design problem:**

Find graph topologies with favorable tradeoff between performance improvement (**benefit**) vs **cost** of collaboration
- **Example: Small Word graphs** in consensus problems

## Consensus problems

$$x(k+1) = F(k)x(k)$$

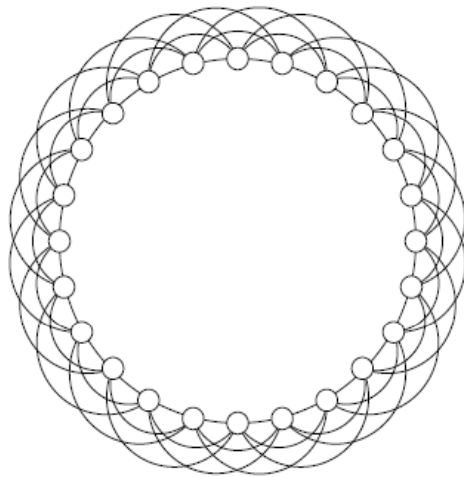
$$F(k) = (I + D(k))^{-1} (A(k) + I)$$

$$F(k) = I - hL(k)$$

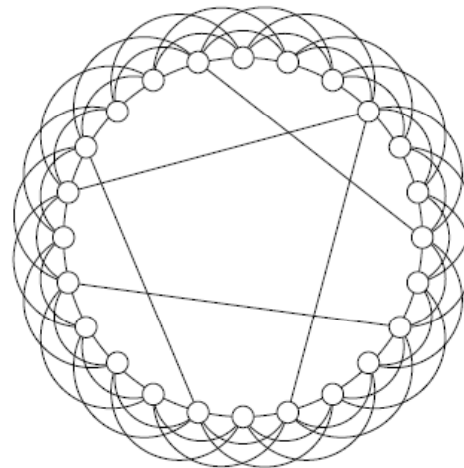
## Symmetric communication

- **Fixed graphs**: Geometric convergence with rate equal to Second Largest Eigenvalue Modulus (SLEM)
- How does **graph topology affect** location of eigenvalues?
- How can we **design graph topologies** which result in good convergence speed?

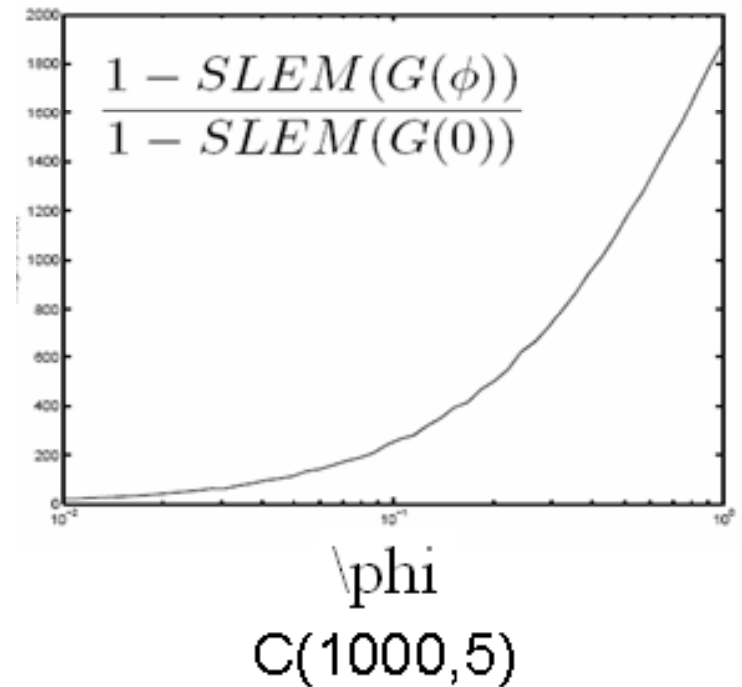
# Small World Graphs



Simple Lattice  
 $C(n,k)$

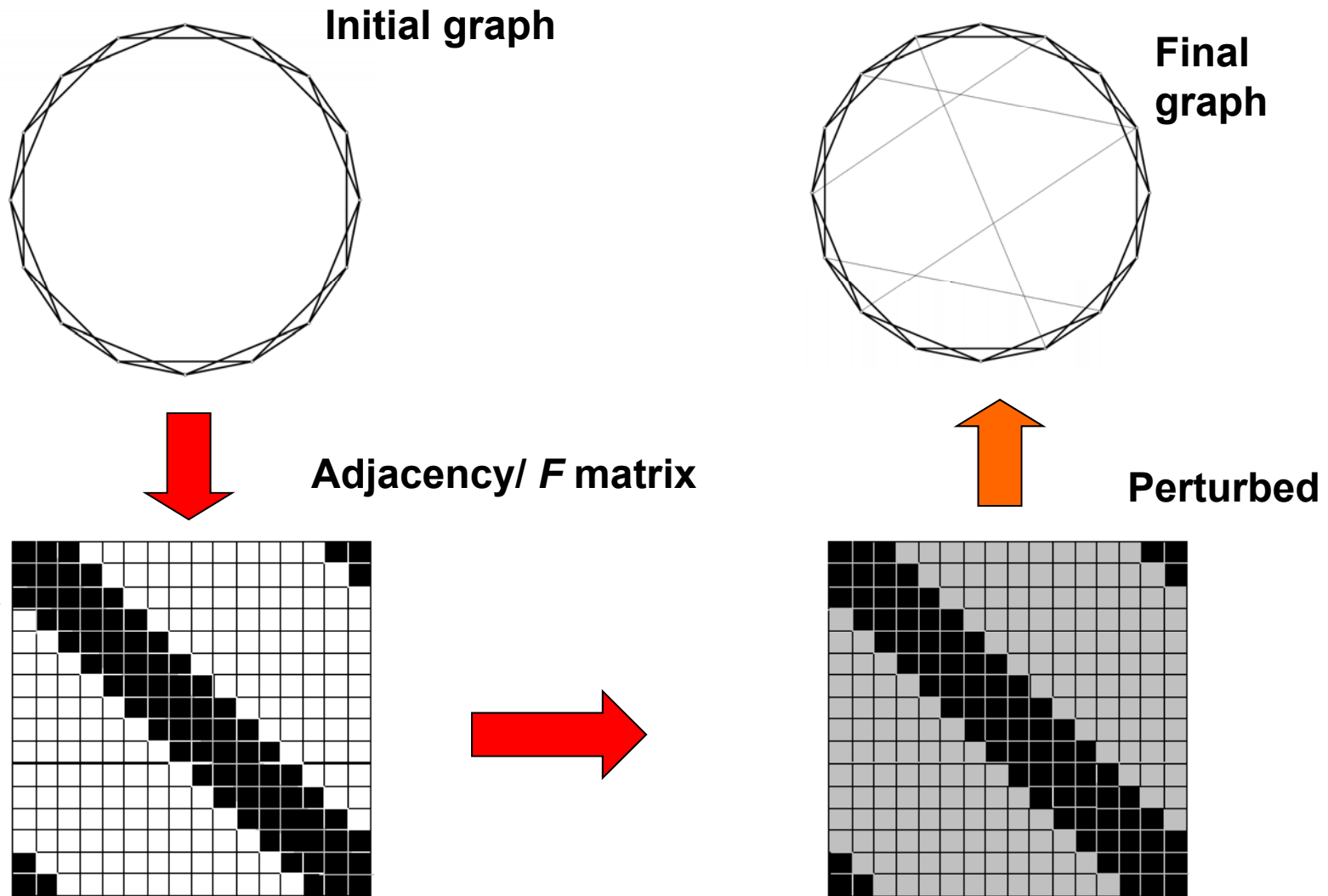


Small world: Slight  
variation adding  $nk\Phi$



Adding a **small portion** of well-chosen links →  
**significant increase** in convergence rate

# Mean Field Explanation and Perturbation Approach



# Watts-Strogatz Small World networks

- Random graph approach  
(e.g. Durrett 2007, Tahbaz and Jadbabaie 2007)
- **Perturbation** approach (Higham 2003 )
  - Start from lattice structure  $G_0 = C(n, k) \longleftrightarrow F_0$
  - Perturb zero elements in the positive direction by  $\varepsilon = \frac{K}{n^\alpha}$  for fixed  $K > 0$  and  $\alpha > 1$ .
  - Perturb the formerly nonzero elements equally, such that the stochastic structure of the  $F$  matrix is preserved  $F_\varepsilon$
  - Analyze the SLEM as a function of the perturbation as  $\alpha$  varies

# 1- D case ...

- Refer to the perturbations as  **$\varepsilon$ -shortcuts**
- In the limit of large  $n$  :
  - For  $\alpha > 3$  the effect of  $\varepsilon$ -shortcuts on convergence rate is negligible
  - For  $\alpha = 3$  the effect of  $\varepsilon$ -shortcuts on convergence rate starts (spectral gap gain perturbation of same order)
  - **For  $\alpha = 2$  the shortcuts dominantly decrease SLEM**
  - For  $\alpha = 1$  SLEM is very small
- $\varepsilon$ -shortcuts are loosely analogous to the shortcuts in Small World networks
- **$\alpha = 3$**  can be considered as the onset of small world effect with **small world effect happening at  $\alpha = 2$**

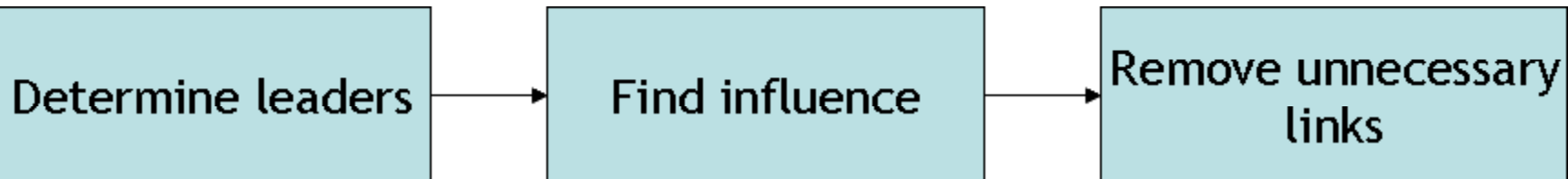


# Distributed exploration of the graph structure

- **Self-organization for better performance and resiliency**
- Hierarchical scheme to design a network structure capable of running **distributed algorithms with high convergence speed**
- A two stage algorithm:
  - 1- Find the most effective choice of **local leaders**
  - 2- Provide nodes with information about their location **with respect to other nodes and leaders** and the choice of groups to form
- Divide  $N$  agents into  $K$  groups with  $M$  members each

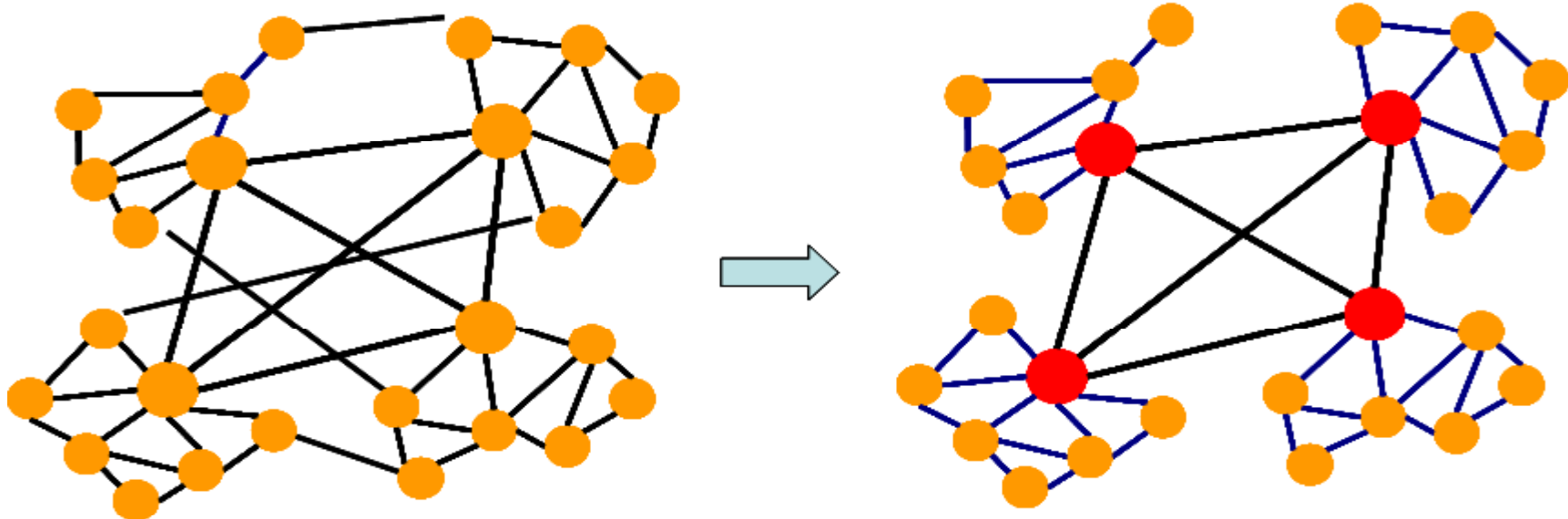
$$N = K \times M, \quad K \leq M \times N, \quad \text{select 'leaders'}$$

# Distributed self - organization



Semi-decentralized

Decentralized: Dirichlet  
problem on the graph



**Goal:** design a scheme that gives each node a vector of compact global information

# Two stage semi-decentralized algorithm

- **Stage 1: Determining  $K$  leaders**

- Each node determines its social degree via local query
- Dominant nodes in each neighborhood send their degrees to the central authority
- Central authority computes their social scores

$$SC(k) = \alpha SD^{(2)}(k) + (1 - \alpha)SD^{(3)}(k)$$

Choice of  $\alpha$  determines whether leaders in star-like neighborhoods are preferred

- The central authority selects the  $K$  nodes with highest scores as social leaders and gives them an arbitrary order

## Algorithm (cont'd)



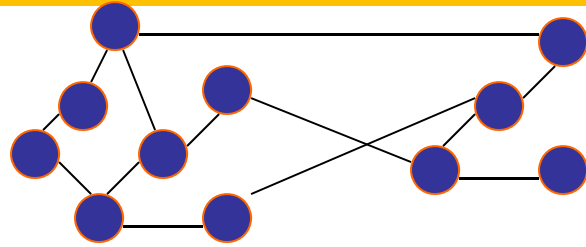
- **Stage 2: Determining the influence vectors**

- Based on its order each leader takes its influence vector to be the fixed vector  $e_i$
- Regular nodes update their influence vector entries:

$$x_i^k(t+1) = \frac{1}{n_i + 1} \left[ x_i^k(t) + \sum_{j \in N_i(t)} x_j^k(t) \right]$$

- For connected graphs, for  $t$  large enough,  $x_i^k$  converges to the influence of leader  $k$  on node  $i$
- Upon calculation of influence vectors, each regular node determines its local leader and stops its communication with neighbors who have other leaders
- **Graph decomposes into two level hierarchy with efficient communication pattern**

# Reliability and Spanning Trees



$\mathcal{G}(\mathcal{V}, \mathcal{E})$

$\mathcal{V} = \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$

$\mathcal{E} = \{l_1, l_2, \dots, l_e\}$

$p$ : Constant link loss probability

$N_i$ : # of connected components with  $i$  edges

$\tau(\mathcal{G})$ : Number of spanning trees

$$\text{Rel}(\mathcal{G}, p) = \sum_{i=n-1}^e N_i (1-p)^i p^{e-i}$$

For sufficiently large  $p$ :

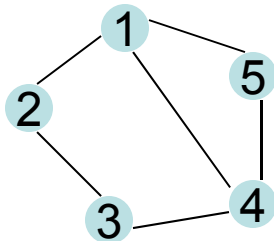
$$\tau(\mathcal{G})(1-p)^{n-1} p^{e-n+1} \leq \text{Rel}(\mathcal{G}, p) \leq \tau(\mathcal{G})(1-p)^{n-1}$$

- End to end applications
- Spanning tree as a minimally connected graph
- $T(G)$  as a **measure of robustness to losses**
- *References*: Kelmans, Colbourn

# Graph Theory for Robust Network Design

- **Goal:** Given a base topology add  $k$  edges from a set of  $m$  candidates such that results in **maximum number of spanning trees**

- Number of spanning trees  $\tau(G) = \frac{1}{n} \prod_{i=2}^n \lambda_i(L) = \frac{1}{n} \det(L + \frac{11^T}{n})$
- Incidence vector of an edge shows between which nodes it is



$f_i$  : incidence vector

$$f_i = e_\alpha - e_\beta$$

$$f_{(1,5)} = e_1 - e_5 =$$

$$[1 \quad 0 \quad 0 \quad 0 \quad -1]^T$$

$$f_{15} f_{15}^T = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

- Graph Laplacian  $L = D - A = F_{nm} F_{mn}^T = \sum_{i=1}^m f_i f_i^T$

# Problem Statement

- **Goal:** Given a base topology add  $k$  edges from a set of  $m$  candidates such that results in maximum number of spanning trees

$$\tau(\mathcal{G}) = \frac{1}{n} \prod_{i=2}^n \lambda_i(L) = \frac{1}{n} \det(L + \frac{11^T}{n})$$

- Dynamic graph process resulting from adding edges

Maximize  $\tau(G(t+k))$

Subject to:

$$\begin{cases} G(t+1) = \text{Add}(G(t), u(t)), & t = 0, 1, \dots, k-1 \\ u(t) = e(t+1), & e(t+1) \in S \subseteq E(\bar{G}(t)) \\ G(t) = \mathcal{G}_0 \end{cases}$$

- **Goal:** Given a base topology add  $k$  edges from a set of  $m$  candidates such that results in maximum number of spanning trees (Approach similar to Ghosh and Boyd 06)

Maximize  $\tau \left( L_0 + \sum_{i=1}^m x_i f_i f_i^T \right)$  or equivalently

$\log \det \left( L_0 + \frac{1}{n} J + \sum_{i=1}^m x_i f_i f_i^T \right)$

Subject to :

$$1^T x = k$$

$$x \in \{0,1\}^m$$

$\log \det \left( L_0 + \frac{1}{n} J + \sum_{i=1}^m x_i f_i f_i^T \right)$

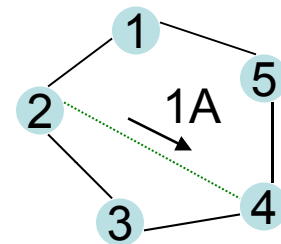
is concave in  $x$ .

- Relax to  $x \geq 0$  
$$x_i^* > 0 \Rightarrow \frac{\partial \tau(x^*)}{\partial x_i} \geq \frac{\partial \tau(x^*)}{\partial x_j}, \forall j$$
- At maximum  $\tau(x)$  has equal derivatives for positive  $x_i$  s



- Derivative:

$$f_i^T \left( L_0 + \frac{1}{n} J + \sum_{i=1}^m x_i f_i f_i^T \right)^{-1} f_i = \lambda, \forall i \in \text{Chosen edge set } (x_i > 0)$$



$$R_{\text{eff}}(i) = f_i^T \left( L + \frac{1}{n} J \right)^{-1} f_i$$

$$R_{\text{eff}}(\alpha, \beta) = V_{\alpha\beta}$$

- If feasible, add edges such that the **effective resistance distance** of all selected edges become equal and greater than the effective resistance distance between non-selected candidates

# Special Cases

- Adding 2 edges  $(\alpha, \beta)$  and  $(\gamma, \delta)$

$$\tau(G(2)) = \left[ \left(1 + R_{\text{eff}}(\alpha, \beta)\right) \left(1 + R_{\text{eff}}(\gamma, \delta)\right) - \left( (z_{\gamma\alpha} - z_{\gamma\beta}) - (z_{\delta\alpha} - z_{\delta\beta}) \right)^2 \right] \tau(\mathcal{G}_0),$$

Maximized by adding edge between high resistance distance nodes

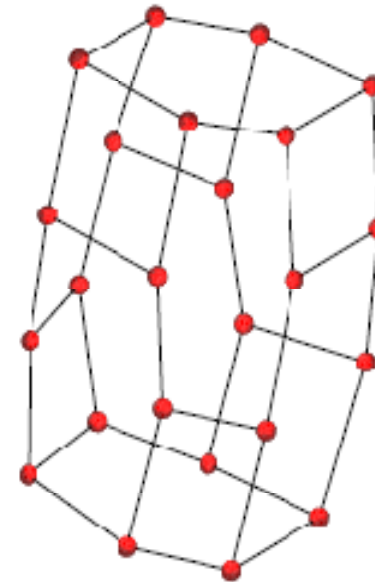
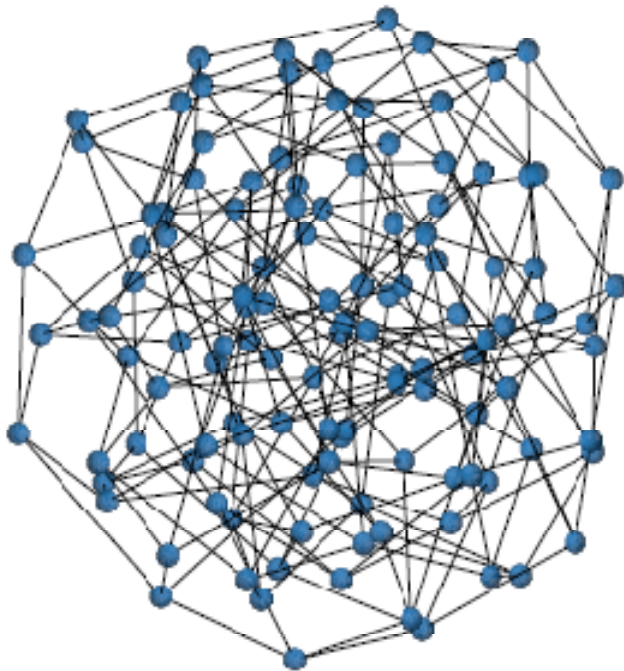
$$Z = [z_{ij}] = \left( L + \frac{1}{n} J \right)^{-1}$$

Maximized by adding edge to symmetrize the graph

- Adding 3 or more edges similar: more complex terms due to compromising between **symmetrizing** the graph and joining nodes with the **highest resistance distance**

- Fast synchronization of a network of oscillators
- Network where any node is “nearby” any other
- Fast ‘diffusion’ of information in a network
- Fast convergence of consensus
- Decide connectivity with smallest memory
- Random walks converge rapidly
- Easy to construct, even in a distributed way (ZigZag graph product)
- Graph  $G$ , **Cheeger constant  $h(G)$** 
  - All partitions of  $G$  to  $S$  and  $S^c$  ,  
$$h(G) = \min \frac{(\text{\#edges connecting } S \text{ and } S^c)}{(\text{\#nodes in smallest of } S \text{ and } S^c)}$$
- $(k, N, \varepsilon)$  **expander** :  $h(G) > \varepsilon$  ; **sparse but locally well connected** ( **$1-SLEM(G)$  increases as  $h(G)^2$** )

# Expander Graphs – Ramanujan Graphs



# Constructing Expander Graphs

- Possible methods:
  - Form a random expander as a  $2d$ -regular multigraph in which the set of edges consists of  $d$  separate Hamiltonian cycles on APs (Law and Siu 2003)
  - Form a union of two spanning trees chosen independently from the uniform distribution over all spanning trees of a complete graph, implementable by a random walk method (Goyal et al. 2009)

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# Non-Commutative Probability Models – New Logics



- **Key idea:** interaction between measurements by different agents and between system states and dynamics and measurements (Baras, 1977)
  - Now investigated vigorously in information retrieval systems (van Rijsbergen, 2004)
  - Asynchrony and concurrency
- **Key challenge:** understand the fundamentals of information collection and information flow in multi-agent stochastic control systems
- Witsenhausen's model of information patterns is not correct – even in its most general setting
- Need for new non-commutative probability models – **new logics** --projections in Hilbert space

- $N$  agents, local states, local times
- Measurements and hypotheses supported and interpreted by local states
- **Static problems**: distributed detection and estimation problems
- **Simple dynamics**: like in information retrieval systems
- **Complex system dynamics**: full interactions between measurements and measurements and controls
- **Must unify the probabilistic and logical** aspects in a consistent way (see recent results of Abbes 2005 for probabilistic models over systems with concurrency constraints)



# Models with Incompatibility Build-in

**Theorem 5:** *If  $(E, S, P, T)$  is an event-state-operation structure, then  $(E, \leq, ')$  is an ortholattice. Moreover, if  $p, q \in E$ , then  $T_{p \wedge q} = (T_p \circ T_q) \circ T_q$*

**Theorem 6:** *Assumptions as in Theorem 5. Then for  $p, q \in E$  the following are equivalent: (a)  $p \mathcal{C} q$ , (b)  $T_p \circ T_q = T_q \circ T_p$ . If  $p \mathcal{C} q$  then  $T_{p \wedge q} = T_p \circ T_q$ .*

- **Active interpretation of operations:** can be thought of as a model for the combined operation of taking a measurement and applying a control law by the agent
- **Passive interpretation of operations:** system's interaction to measurements (used by recent results in information retrieval systems)
- We also get an interpretation of the **conjunction of incompatible events or measurements as “data fusion” or “agreement” between agents**

*Theorem 7: Databases and conditioning in a multi-agent stochastic control system can be used to construct an event-state-operation structure. This is a faithful representation.*

*Theorem 8: If  $(E, \leq)$  is atomic and the atoms  $\hat{E}$  are mapped to pure states under  $T$ , then  $(E, S, P, T)$  can be represented as the lattice of projections on a Hilbert space.*

- The **most useful ‘practical’ model**

Finite dimensional Hilbert space, measurements to self-adjoint operators, states to trace one positive operators

- The **biggest payoff:**

Our theory (extensions of above) allow the formulation of ‘design’ problems as **convex problems over a pair of Banach spaces** (one for measurements and one for controls)

- They also results **automatically to introduction of ‘supervisors’**

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# Biological Networks – Our Research



- Characterization of biological networks
- Discovery of elemental components (e.g. motifs) – Modular decomposition
- Network composition from modules
- Development of a taxonomy of network structure vs behavior vs biology
- Network dynamics and their interpretation
- Network inference and tomography
- Applications to disease pathology (e.g. cancer)
- Development of analytic/computational tools

# Cancer and Systems Biology

## -- networks are key

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- Emergent properties at the system level – not just at components
- Multiple-interacting networks – gene networks, protein networks, metabolic networks
- Network dynamics more important
- Complex diseases cause changes in network dynamics
- **Key Question:** detect these changes from repeated partial measurements (data) at different scales

- Inference of network models, from data and prior structure knowledge
- Various types of dynamic networks: Networks of ODEs, Bayesian Networks, Boolean Networks, Hybrid Networks
- Stochastic Graph Processes, their representation and parameter/structure estimation, Time Varying MRF
- **Usage:** Network level analysis to improve cancer prognosis (e.g. metastasis in breast cancer via sub-networks of the protein-protein interaction network)
- Use alterations of the molecular network in malignant cells to identify oncogenes (e.g. for B-cell lymphomas)
  - Common alteration: upregulation of growth factor receptors (e.g. EGFR hyperactivated in several cancers)

# Use of Network Models and Associated Analysis in Cancer

- Develop multi-network models and use them to understand and detect crucial characteristics of cancerous cells:
- Independence from external growth signaling
- Insensitivity to antigrowth signaling and evasion of apoptosis
- Limitless replicative potential
- Sustained angiogenesis and metastasis
- **Example 1:** Use a human protein-protein interaction network model -- compute certain sub-networks – prove that they are good indicators of metastasis (used maximum mutual information and conditional likelihood classification) in breast cancer [Chuang et al, 2007]
- **Example 2:** Develop a network centric approach to distinguish normal from malignant cells and identify targets and effectors of specific biochemical perturbations , potentially useful for the identification of drug targets [Mani et al 2008]

# Example: Dynamic Modularity in Protein Interaction Networks for Breast Cancer Prognosis

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- [Taylor et al , 2009]
- Dynamic structure of human interactome can be used to predict patient outcome
- Identify inter-modular hub proteins co-expressed with their interacting partners and intra-modular hub proteins co-expressed with their interacting patterns
- Observed substantial differences in biochemical structure of two hub types
- Signaling domains found in inter-modular hub proteins – associated with oncogenesis
- Analysis with breast cancer patients – altered interactome useful as indicator of breast cancer prognosis

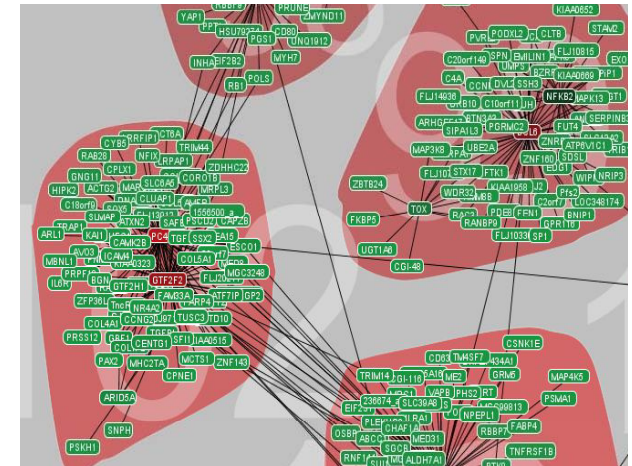
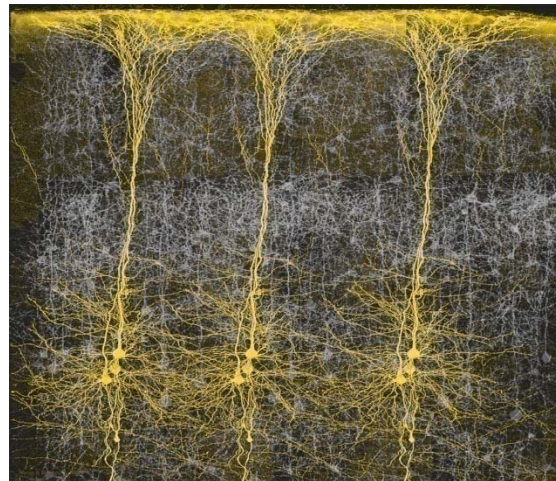
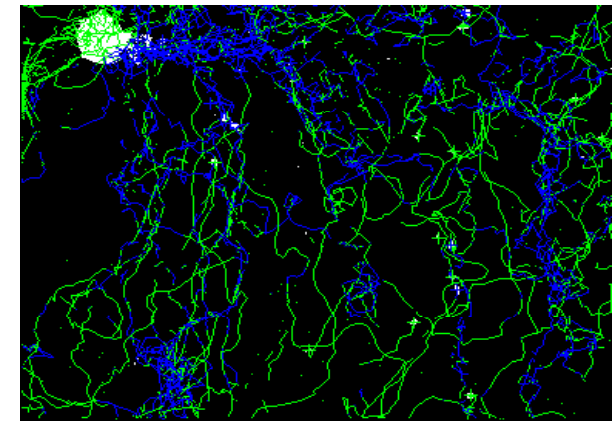


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# Conclusions

- Complex networks – multiple dynamic hypergraphs
- Fundamental tradeoff between the benefit from collaboration and the required cost for collaboration
- Coalitional games and network formation
- Trust as a catalyst for collaborations
- Component based network synthesis
- Effects of topology on distributed algorithm performance
- Performance vs. efficiency – small world graphs – expander graphs
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# How Biology Does IT?



# Lessons Learned -- Future Directions



- **Constrained coalitional games** – unifying concept
- Generalized networks, **flows - potentials**, duality and network optimization (monotropic optimization)
- **Time varying graphs** – mixing – statistical physics
- **Understand autonomy** – better to have self-organized topology capable of supporting (scalable, fast) a rich set of distributed algorithms (small world graphs, expander graphs) than optimized topology
- Given a set of distributed computations **is there a small set of simple rules** that when given to the nodes they can self-generate such topologies?

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*Questions?*