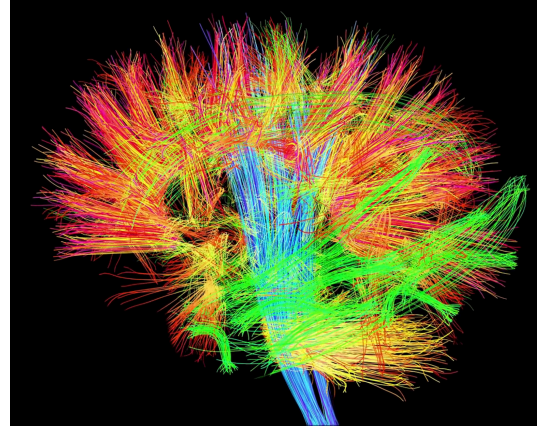




Network Science

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...the twenty-first century would be the "century of complexity".

Why should we care?

$2.5 \cdot 10^{18}$ bytes per day = 2500 PB/day ~ 1 Million PB/year



IBM

IBM Offering Information

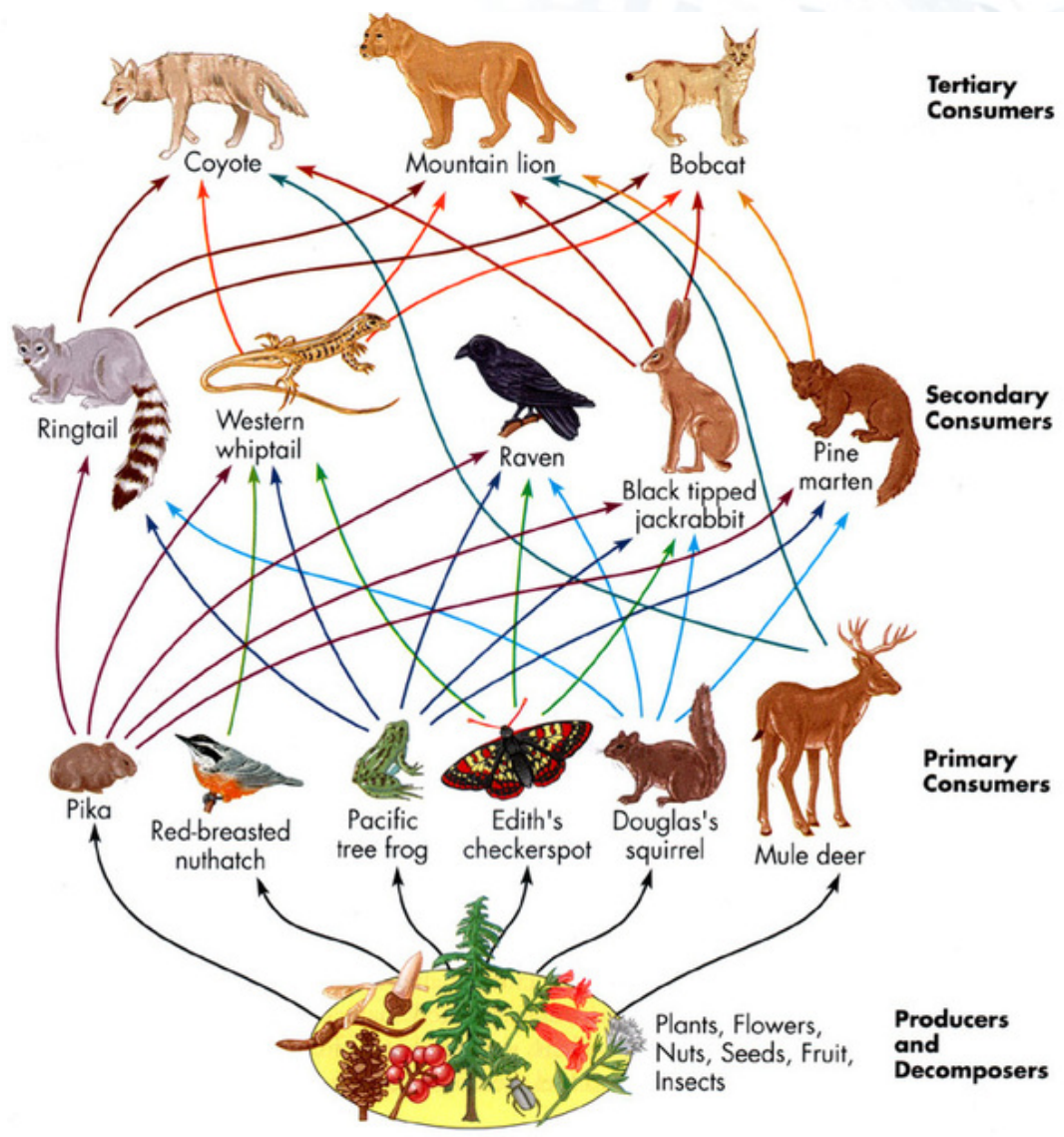
10 Key Marketing Trends for 2017

Every day we create 2.5 quintillion bytes of data. Find out which bytes matter most.

Learn more

Launch demo

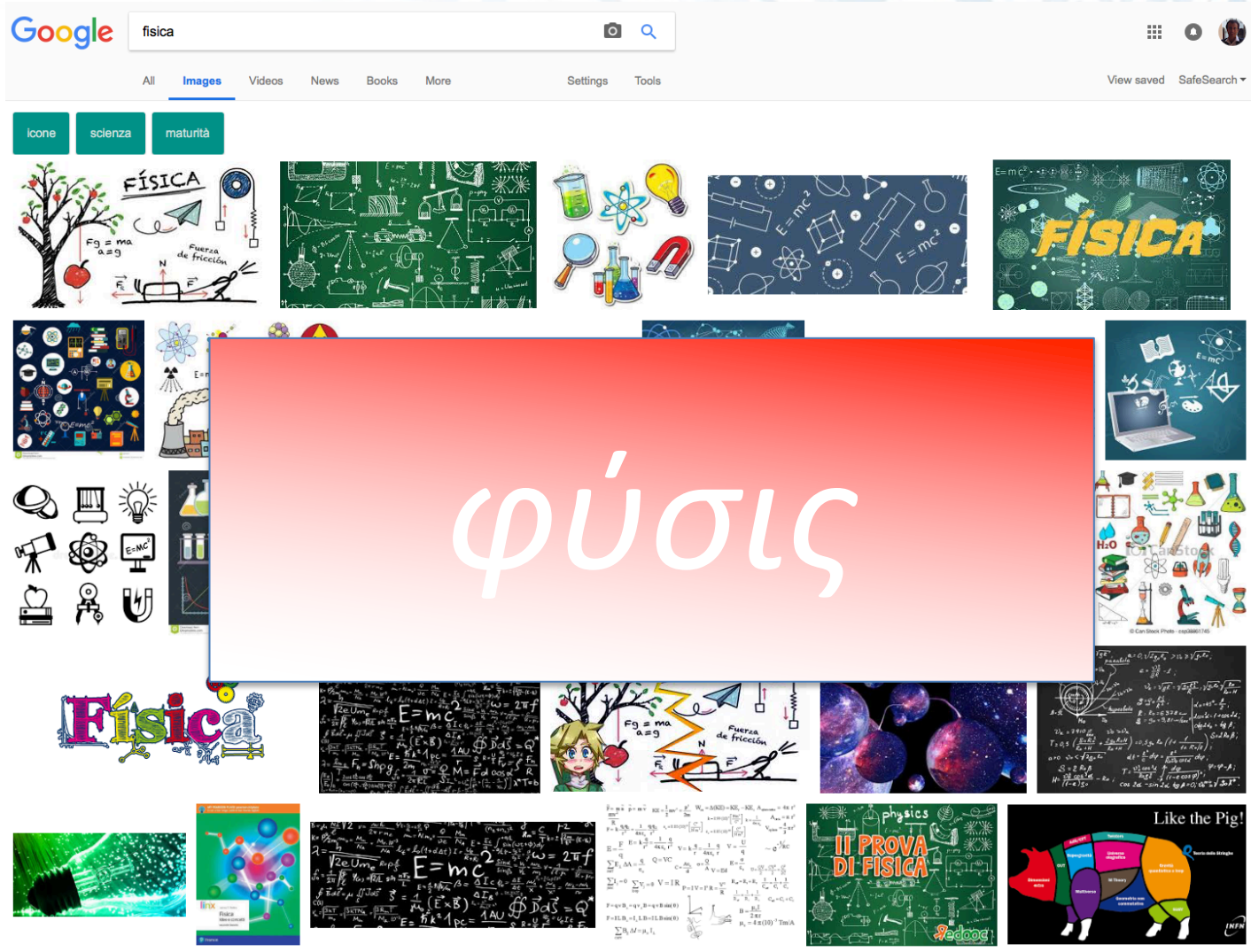
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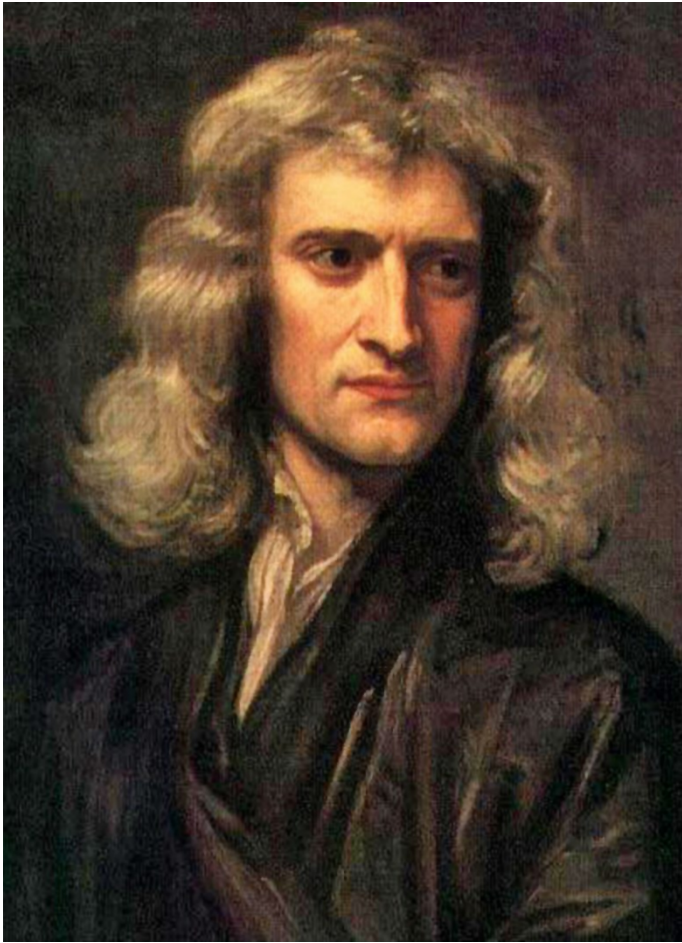


ce of unexpected behaviours

relation between stimulus and
!





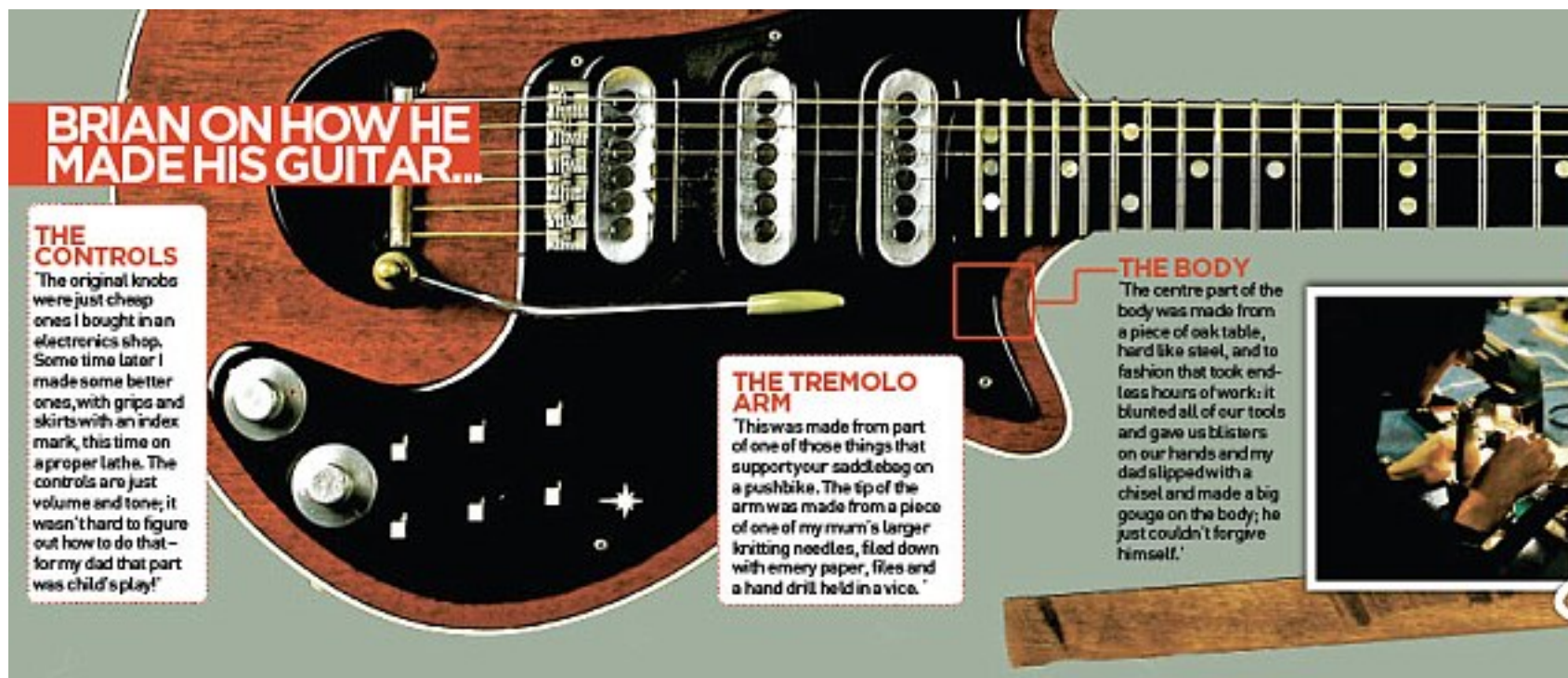


Physics (at least the aspect) is time invariant!!!!

Wembley July 13th 1985



Dr. Brian H. May (PhD Imperial College, 2007)
Built himself his guitar (RED SPECIAL)



Red Special

(un)fortunately very frequent approach....

Which Physics?

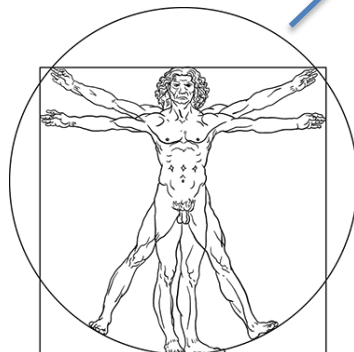
$$-i\hbar \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \Psi(\vec{r}, t) = \left(-\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \nabla^2 + V(\vec{r}, t) \right) \Psi(\vec{r}, t)$$



(size, m)

10⁻²⁰

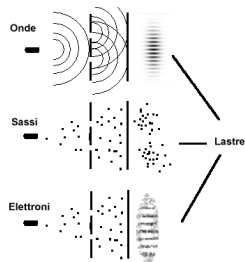
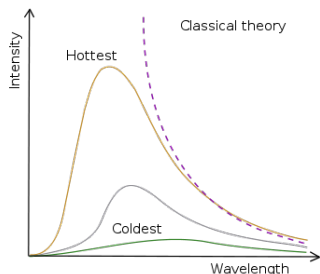
10⁻¹⁰



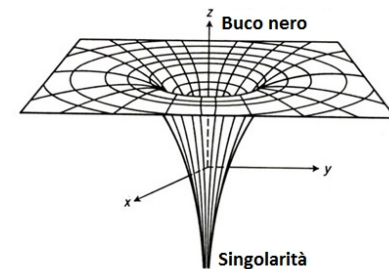
velocity



10²¹



$$\Delta x \Delta p \geq \frac{\hbar}{2}$$



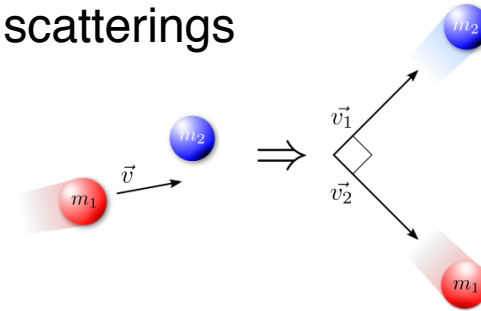
10²³

Number of parts



That's how we see ourselves...

Physicists study scatterings



To know what happens in a glass of water, I simply study the molecules' scatterings

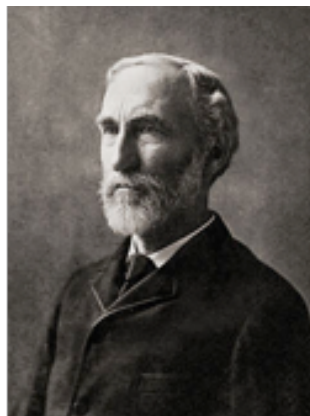
Problem: We have 10^{23} - 10^{24} of them

If every molecule were a rice grain, to match the number of molecules in a glass of water we should collect the harvest of 27 millions of years

(at the present rate of 739 millions of tons/year)



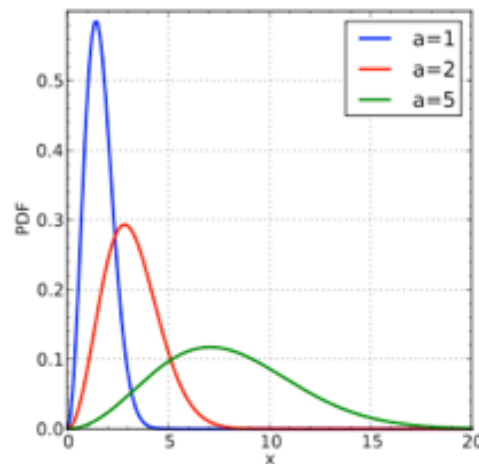
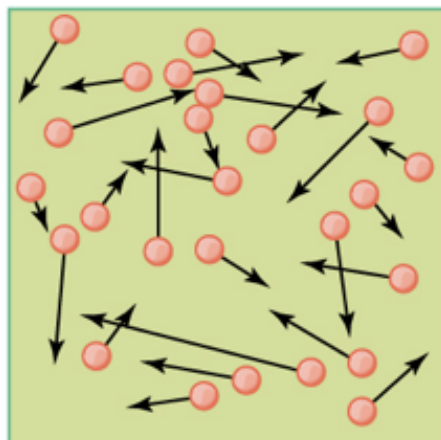
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Boltzmann



Joshua Willard
Gibbs



James Clerk
Maxwell

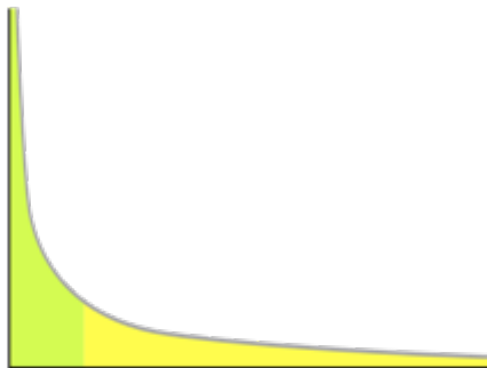


$$PV = \frac{1}{3} N m \overline{v^2}$$
$$E = \frac{3}{2} k_B T$$
$$S = k_B \ln W$$

What can we learn?

People are not described by 2 variables only, and react differently.

All we know, is the geometry of interaction





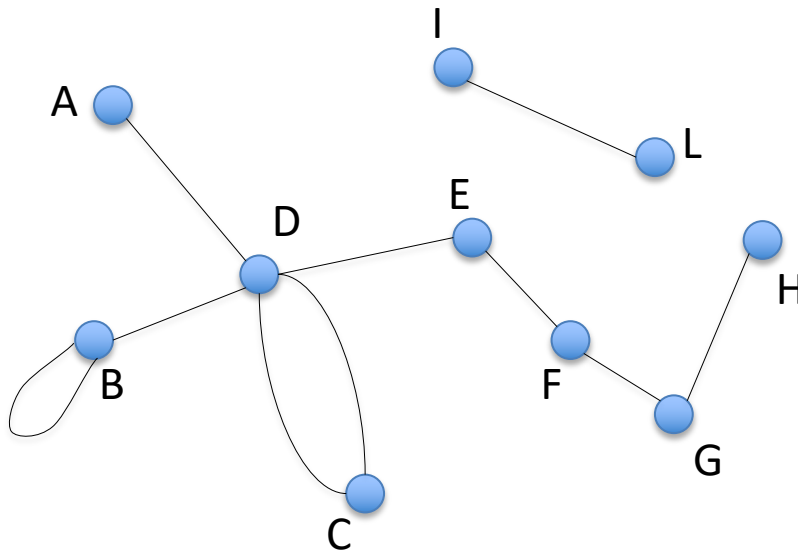
facebook

December 2010



undirected

Undirected links

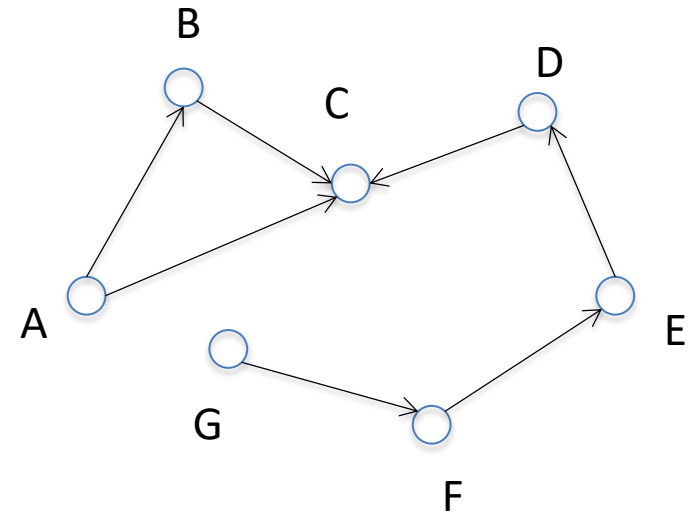


Example

Collaborations (movies, papers)
Protein Interactions
Internet

directed

Directed links



Example

WWW
Phone calls
Metabolic reactions

Networks are game changer once we understand their properties

1 scale invariance that is highly heterogeneous

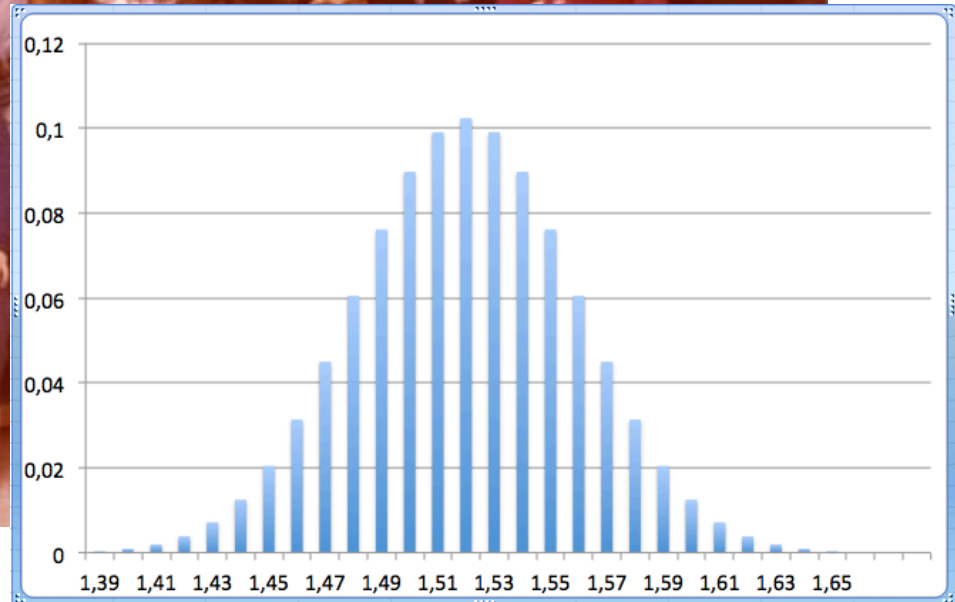
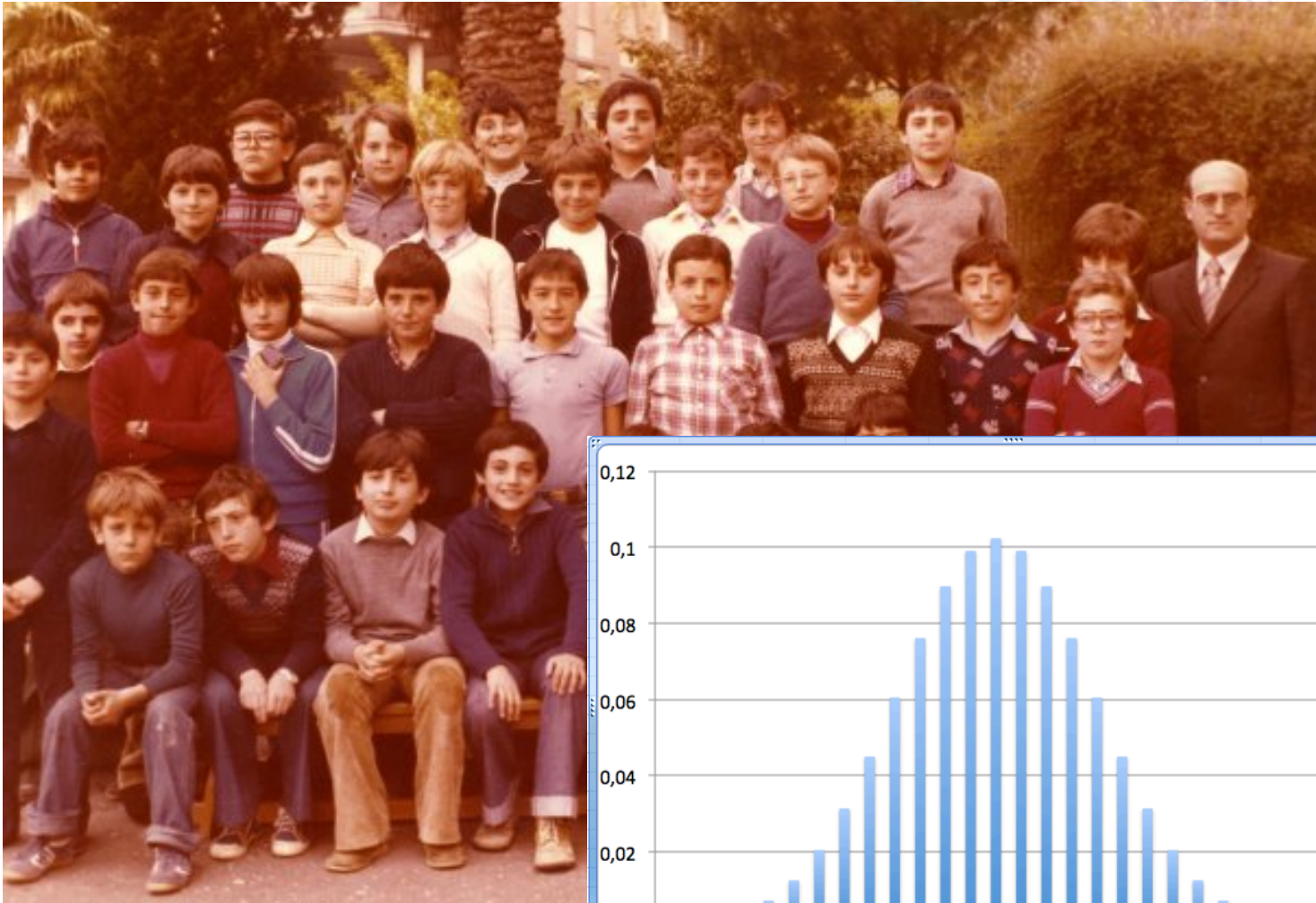
2 small world that is easy to travel

3 highly clustered that is community are present

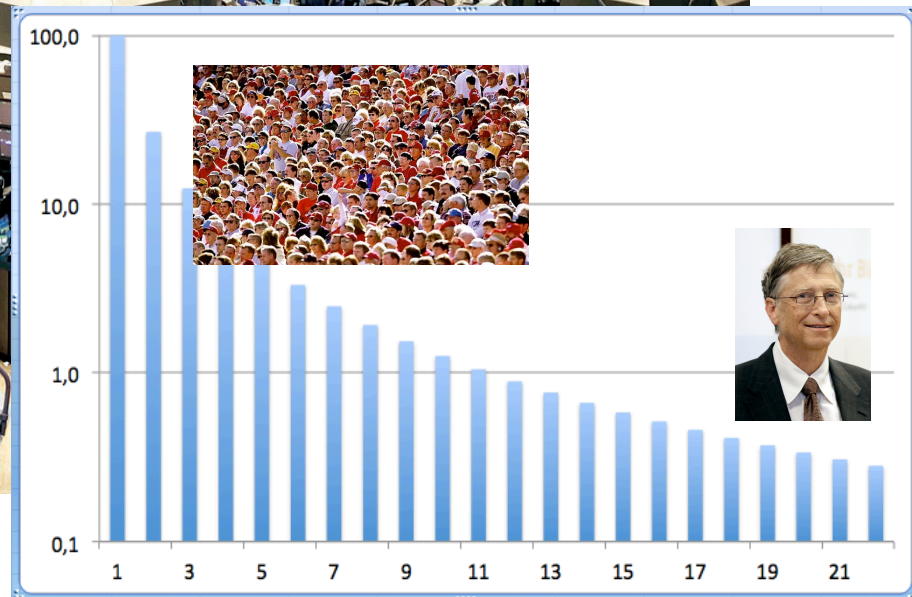
4 centrality made that is some are more important than others

And much more

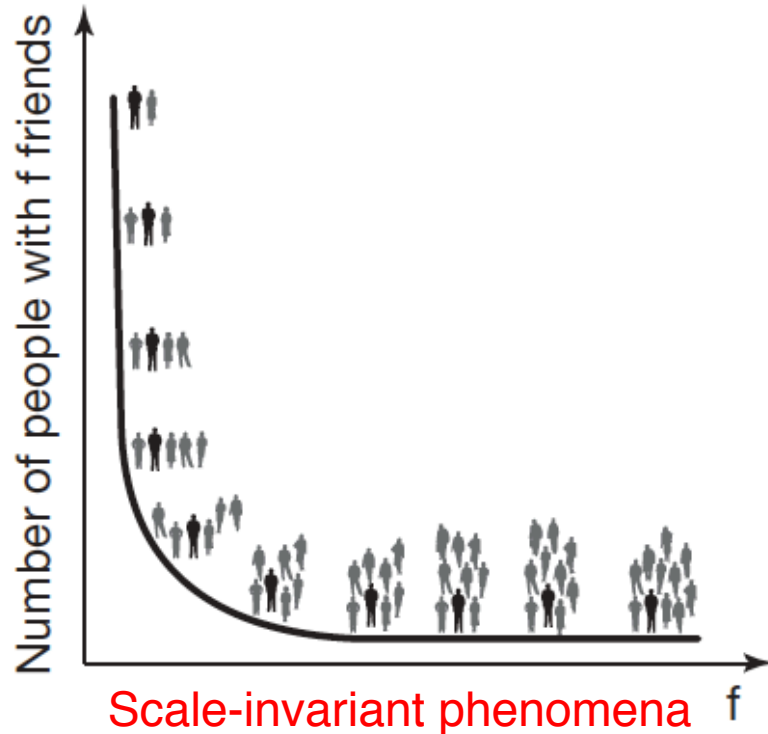
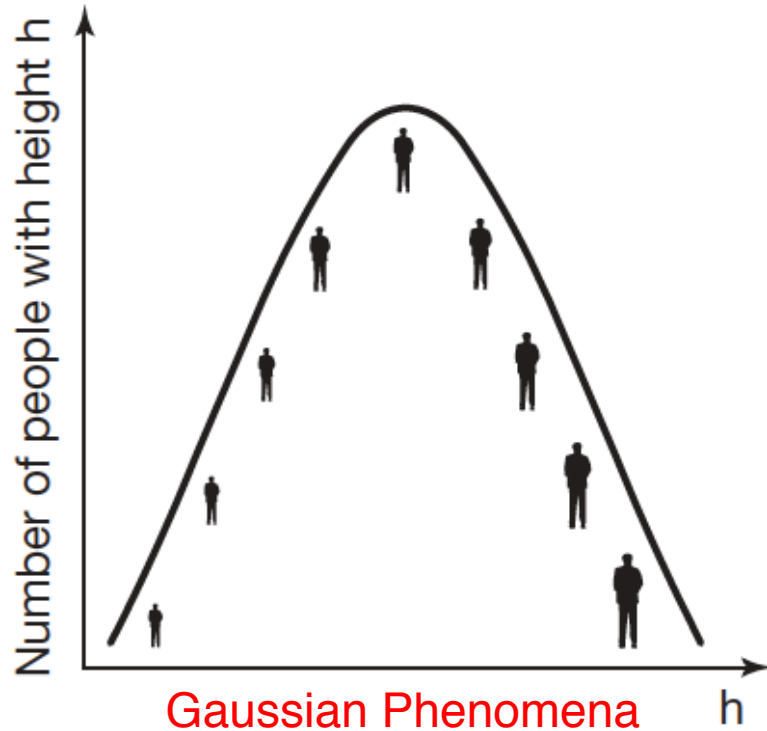
1) 12-years old students



1) NYSE



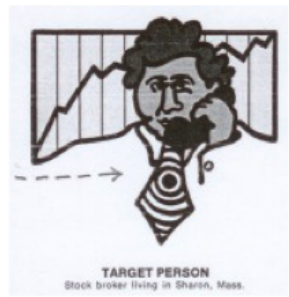
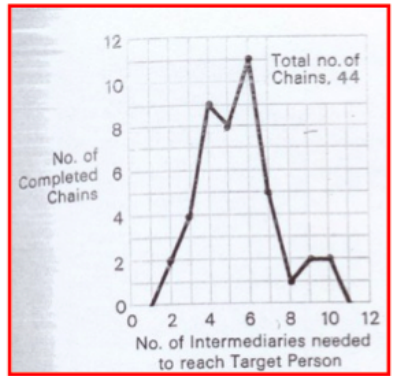
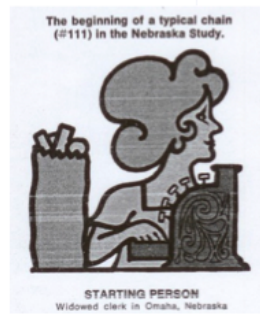
1) Scale invariance



Nobody is 3mm or 20Km tall

But somebody has 10000 more friends on Facebook than us!

2) Small world



As a crude beginning, we thought it best to draw our starting persons from a distant city, so we chose Wichita, Kansas for our first study and Omaha, Nebraska for our second. (From Cambridge, these cities seem vaguely 'out there,' on the Great Plains or somewhere.) To obtain our sample, letters of solicitation were sent to residents in

1st REMOVE
Self-employed friend in Council Bluffs, Iowa

these cities asking them to participate in a study of social contact in American society. The target person in our first study lived in Cambridge and was the wife of a divinity school student. In the second study, carried out in

...WHOM WRITES HIS NAME. This tells the person who receives the folder exactly who sent it to him. The roster also has another practical effect; it prevents endless looping of the folder through participants who have already served as links in the chain, because each participant can see exactly what sequence of persons has led up to his own participation.

In addition to the document, the folder contains a stack of 15 business reply, or "tracer" cards. Each person receiving the folder takes out a card, fills it in, returns it to us, and sends the remaining cards along with the document to the next link.

Several other features of the procedure need to be emphasized. First, each

2nd REMOVE

...PART OF THE EXCITEMENT OF EXPERIMENTAL SOCIAL PSYCHOLOGY IS THAT IT IS ALL SO NEW WE OFTEN HAVE NO WAY OF KNOWING WHETHER OUR TECHNIQUES WILL WORK OR SIMPLY TURN OUT TO BE WISPY PIPE DREAMS. The answer came fairly quickly. It will be recalled that our first target person

3rd REMOVE
Tanner in Sharon, Mass.

was the wife of a student living in Cambridge. Four days after the folders were sent to a group of starting persons in Kansas, an instructor at the Episcopal Theological Seminary approached our target person on the street. "Alice," he said, thrusting a brown folder toward her, "this is for you." At first she thought he was simply returning a folder

the median at five [see illustration above]. A median of five intermediate persons is, in certain ways, impressive, considering the distances traversed. Recently, when I asked an intelligent friend of mine how many steps he thought it

5th REMOVE
Dentist in Sharon, Mass.

would take, he estimated that it would require 100 intermediate persons or more to move from Nebraska to Sharon. Many people make somewhat similar estimates, and are surprised to learn that only five intermediaries will--on the average--suffice. Somehow it does not accord with intuition. Later, I shall try to explain the basis of the discrepancy

opposite direction at the beginning, giving us the illusion that the chains are shorter than they really are. There is a certain decay in the number of active chains over each remove, even when they do not drop out because they reach the target person. Of 160 chains that started in Nebraska, 44 were completed and 126 dropped out. These chains die before completion because on each remove a certain proportion of participants simply do not cooperate and fail to send on the folder. Thus, the results we obtained on the distribution of chain lengths occurred within the general

6th REMOVE
Printer in Sharon, Mass.

7th REMOVE
Clothing merchant in Sharon, Mass.

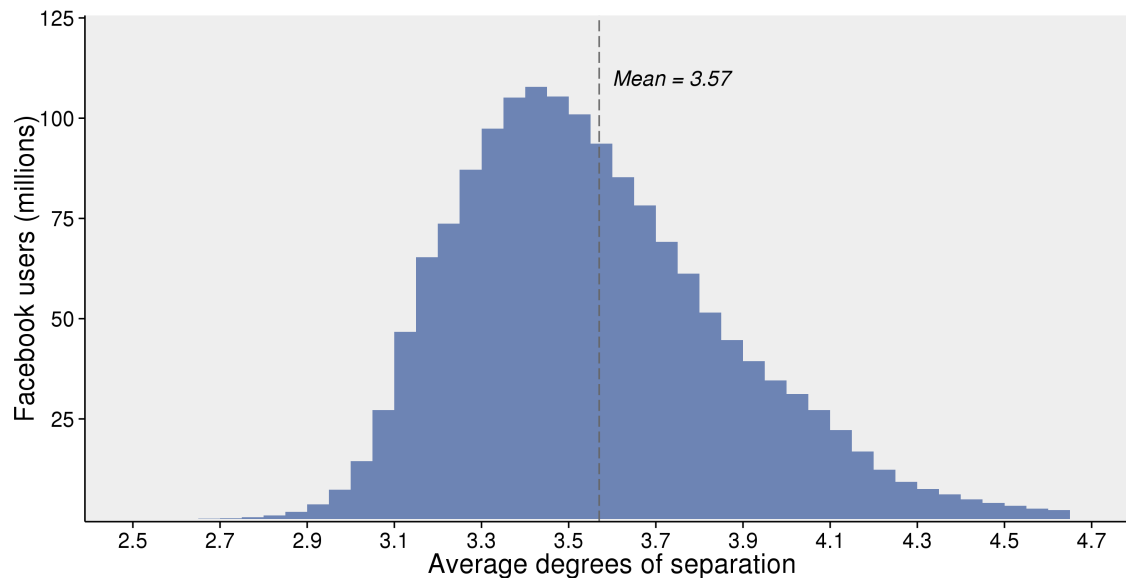
Participants indicated on the reply cards whether they were sending the folder on to a friend, a relative, or an acquaintance. In the Kansas Study, 123 sent the folder to friends and acquaintances, while only 22 sent it to relatives. Cross-cultural comparison would seem useful here. It is quite likely that in societies which possess extended kinship systems, relatives will be more heavily represented in the communication network than is true in the United States. In American society, where extended kinship links are not maintained, ac-

2) Small world

On average we are at six
Degrees of separation

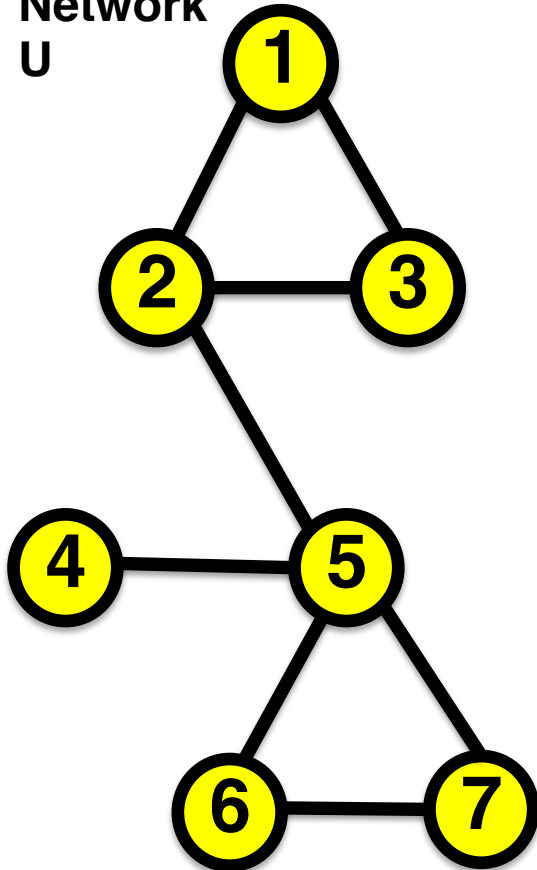


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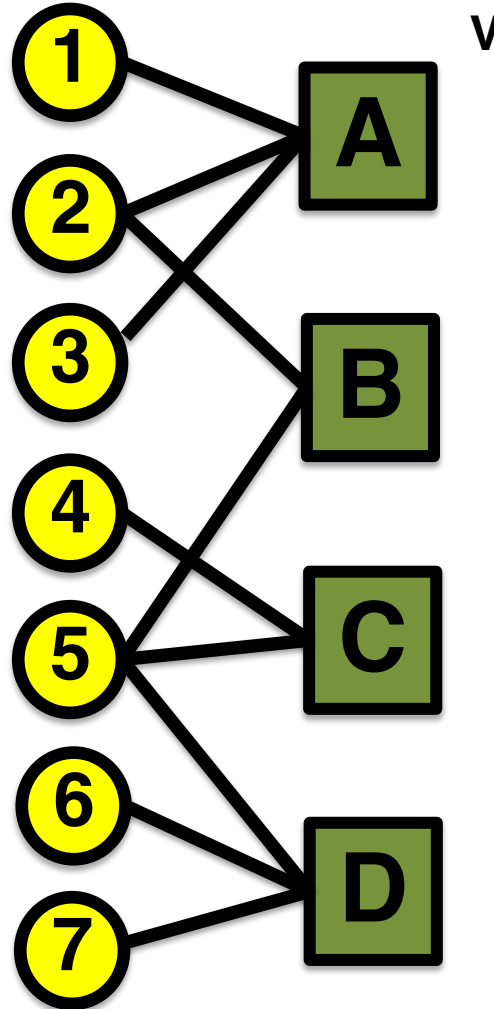


3) Bipartite networks, clusters

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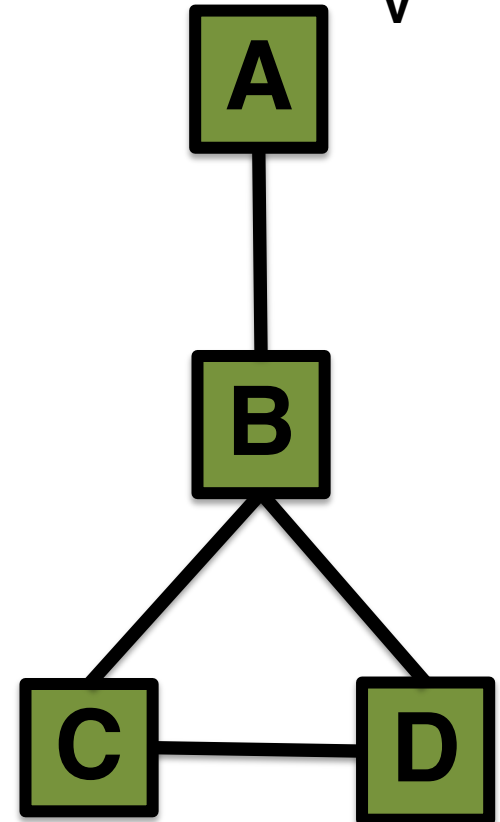


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3) Bipartite networks, Erdos number



Read Aug. 1, 2014 [News at OU article](#) on the popularity of this website.

The Erdős Number Project

This is the website for the Erdős Number Project, which studies research collaboration among mathematicians.

3) Bipartite networks, Bacon number

The screenshot shows the 'The Oracle of Bacon' website interface. At the top, there is a header with a classical statue on the left and a portrait of Kevin Bacon on the right. The main title 'THE ORACLE OF BACON' is centered. Below the title, a search bar contains 'lino banfi' and displays the result: 'lino banfi has a Bacon number of 3.' A button 'Find a different link' is next to it. A vertical flowchart shows the path: Lino Banfi (green box) was in Saturday, Sunday and Friday (blue box) with Michele Placido (green box) was in Big Business (blue box) with Fred Ward (green box) was in Tremors (blue box) with Kevin Bacon (green box). At the bottom, a search bar shows 'Kevin Bacon' and 'lino banfi' with buttons 'Find link' and 'More options >>'. On the left side, there is a dark sidebar with navigation links: 'Welcome', 'Credits', 'How it Works', 'Contact Us', and 'Other stuff >>'. Below these are copyright and data source information. In the center, there is a HomeAway advertisement for a rental property with the text 'Affitta senza preoccupazioni' and a large orange 'Inizia ora' button.

THE ORACLE OF BACON

Welcome
Credits
How it Works
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Affitta senza preoccupazioni
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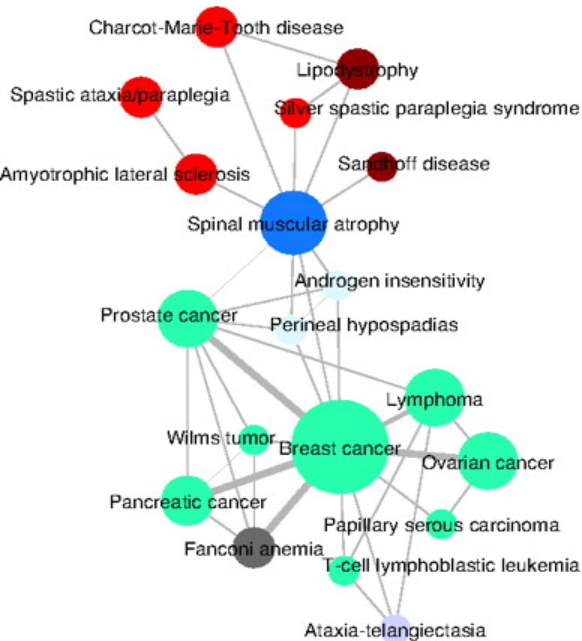
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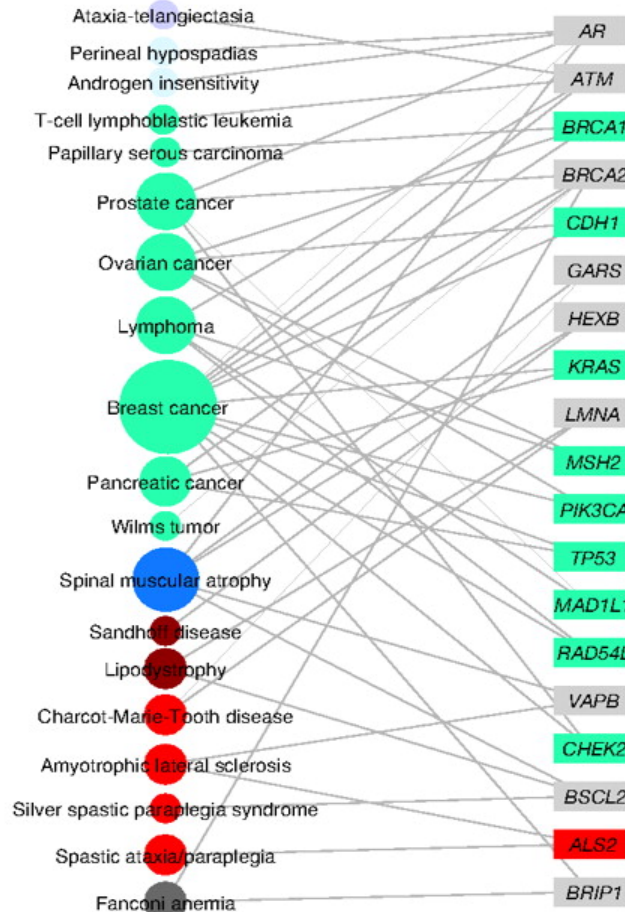
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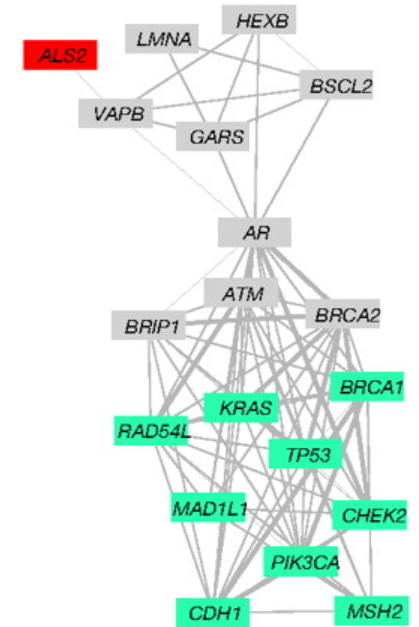
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disease phenotype

disease genome

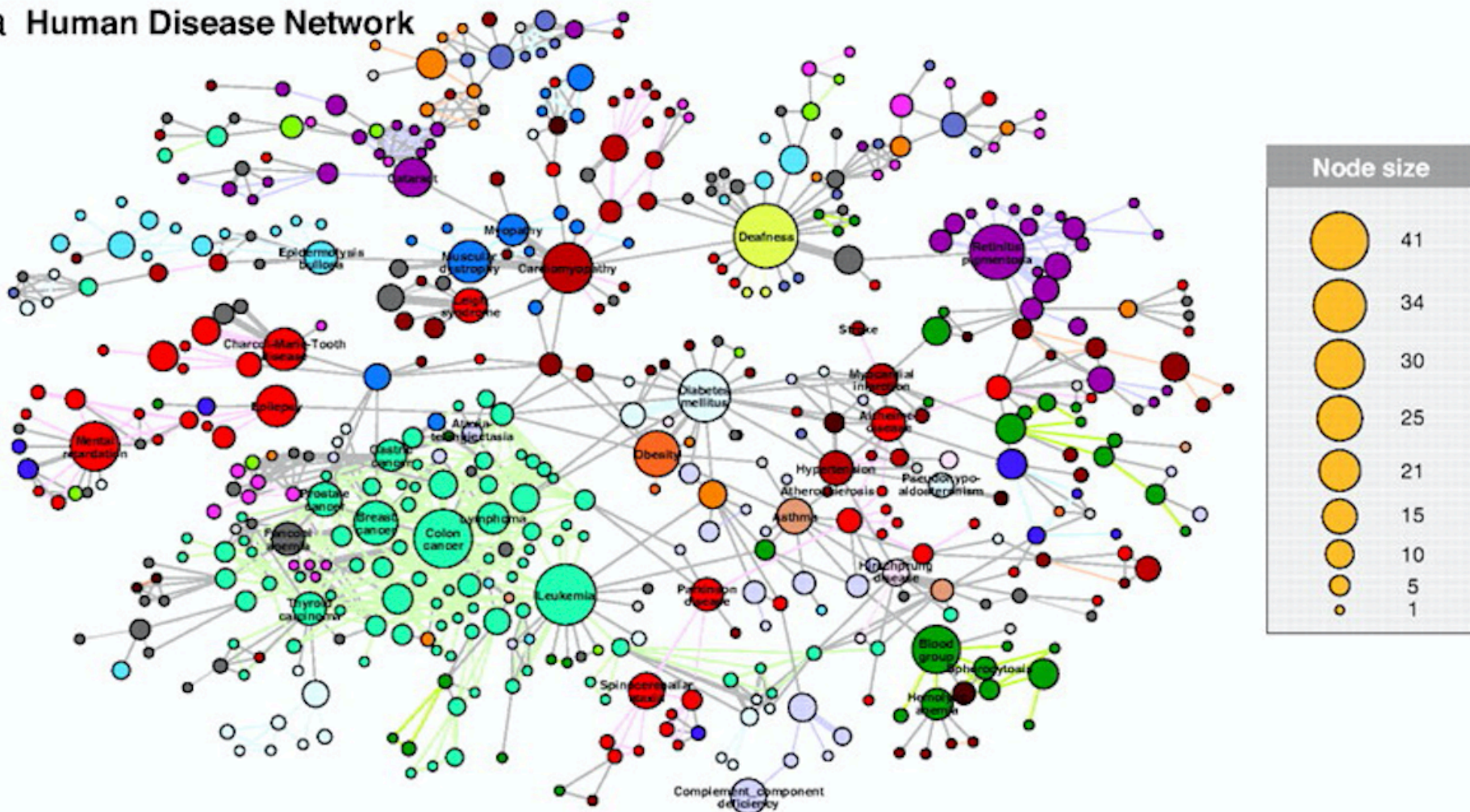


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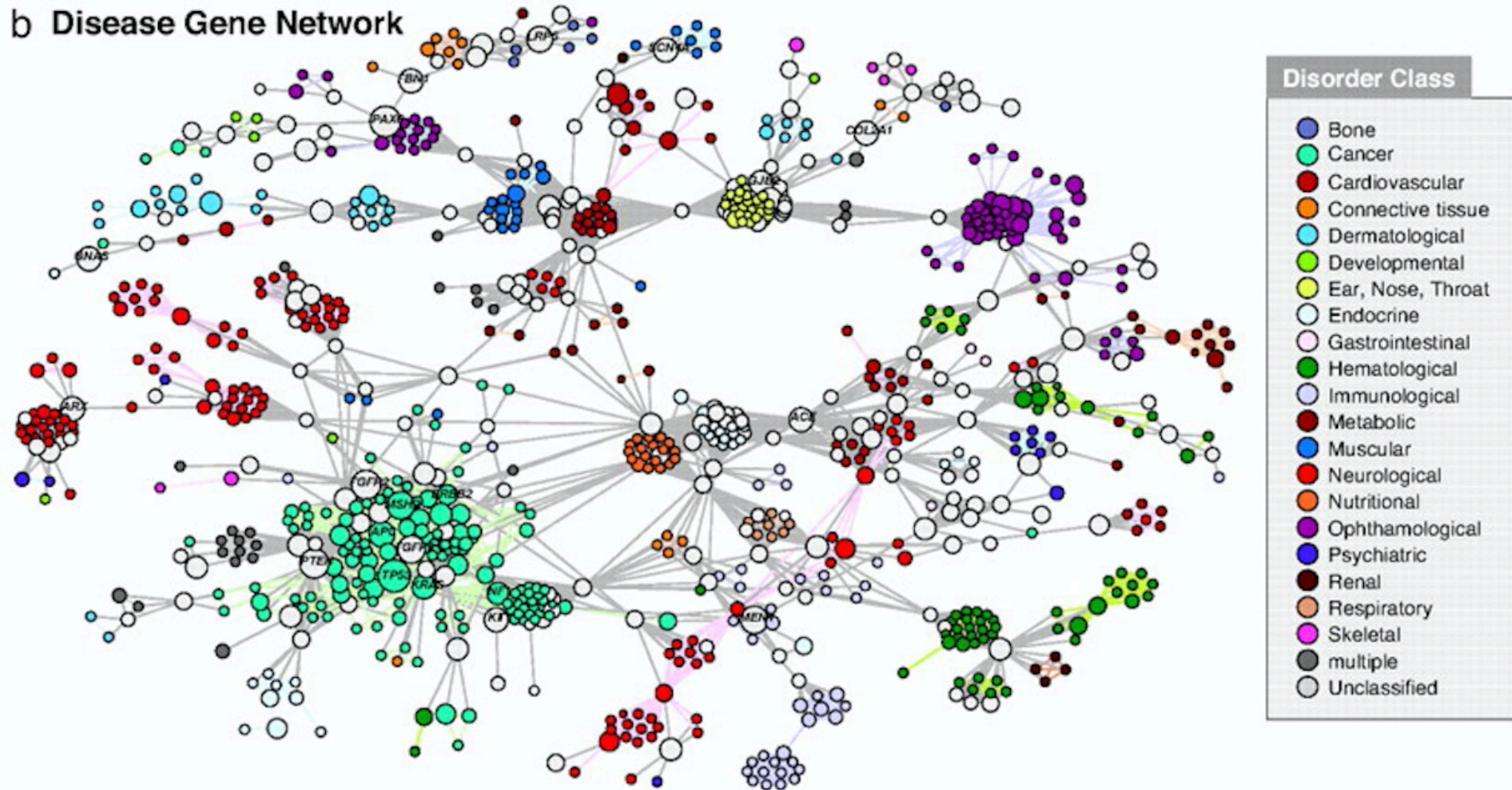
3) Bipartite networks, clusters

a Human Disease Network



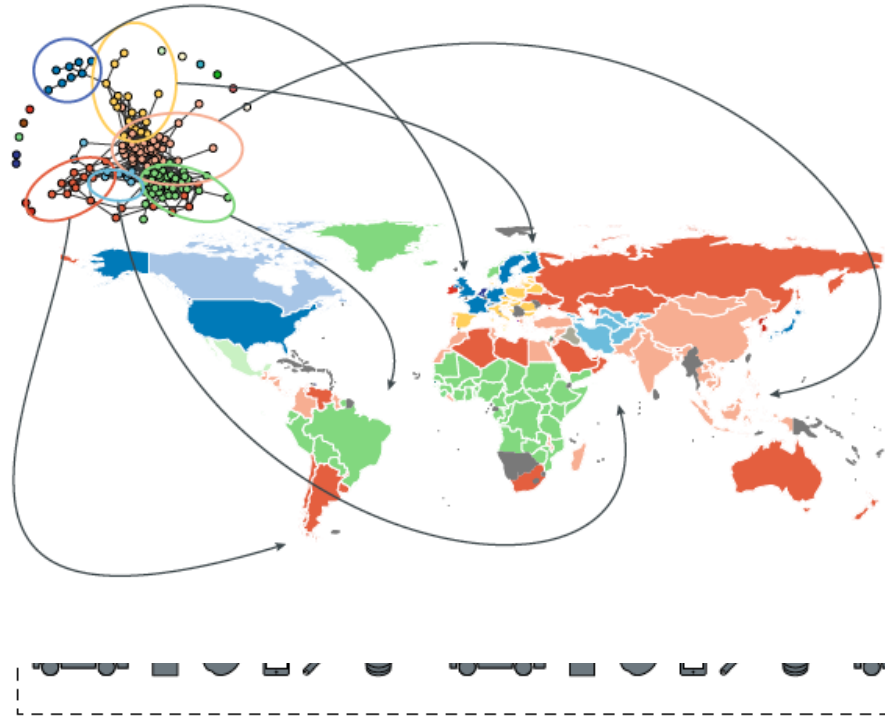
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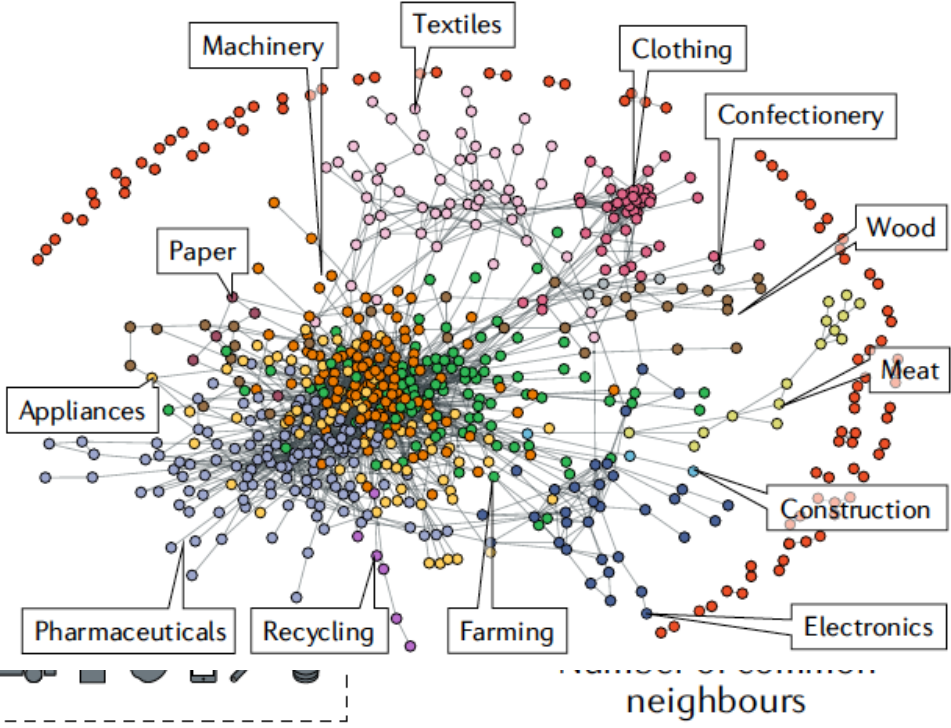


World Trade Web

① Real-world bipartite network
Projection on countries



② One-mode projection
Projection on products



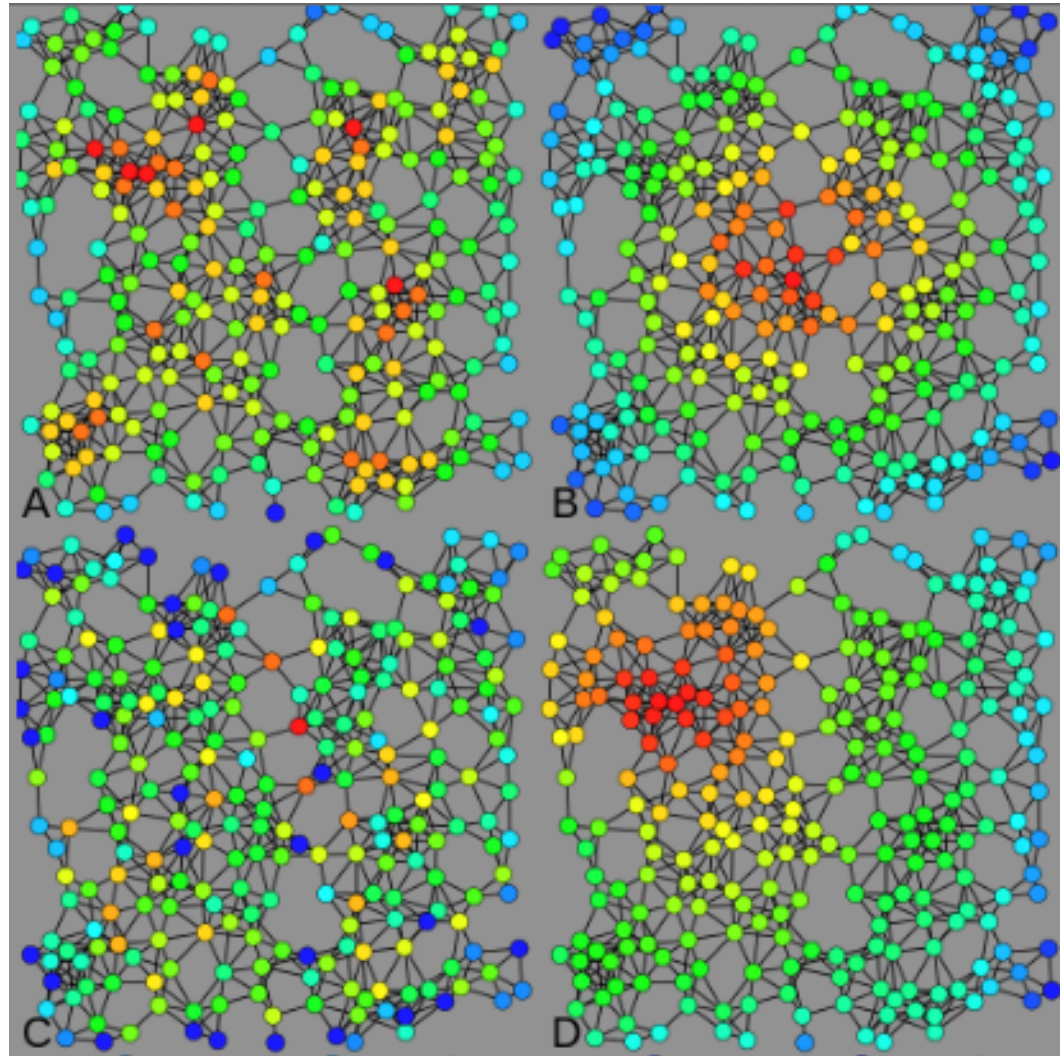
4) Centrality

A Degree Centrality

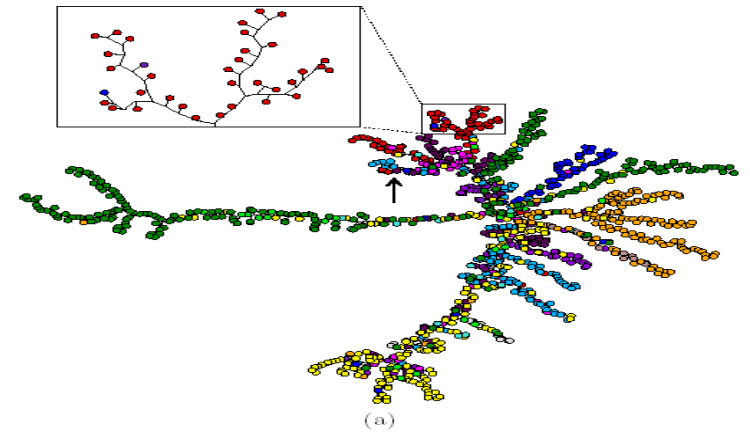
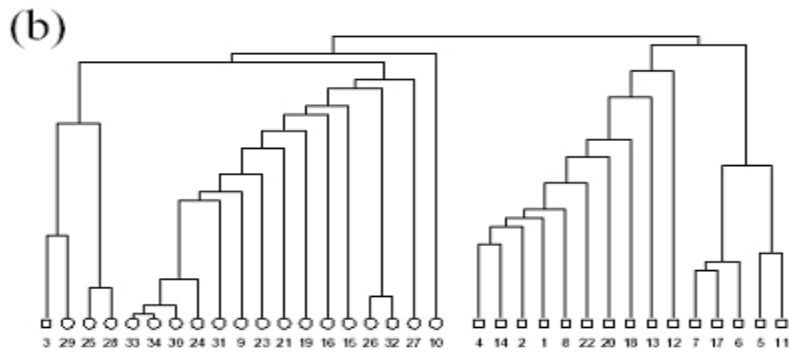
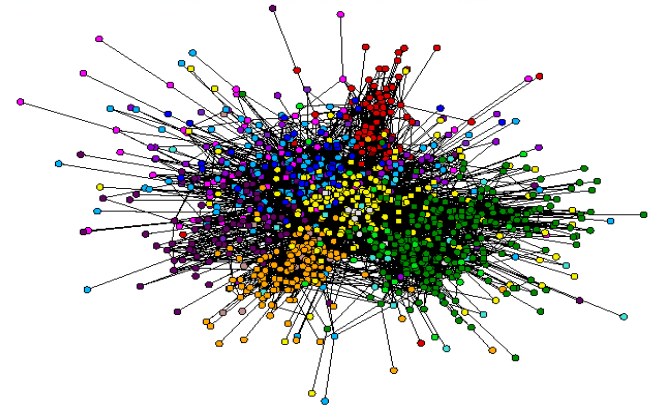
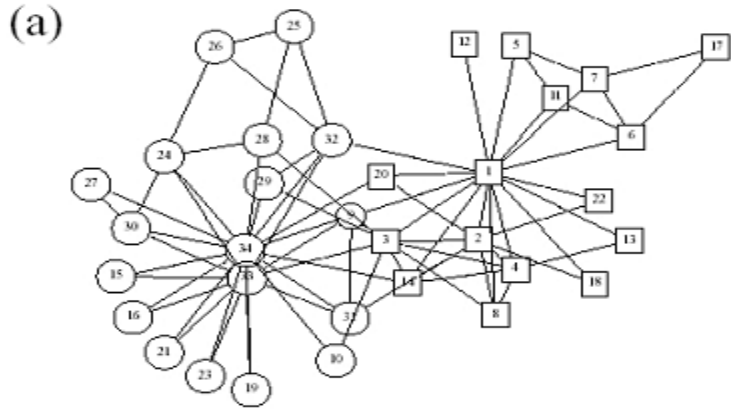
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C Betweenness Centrality

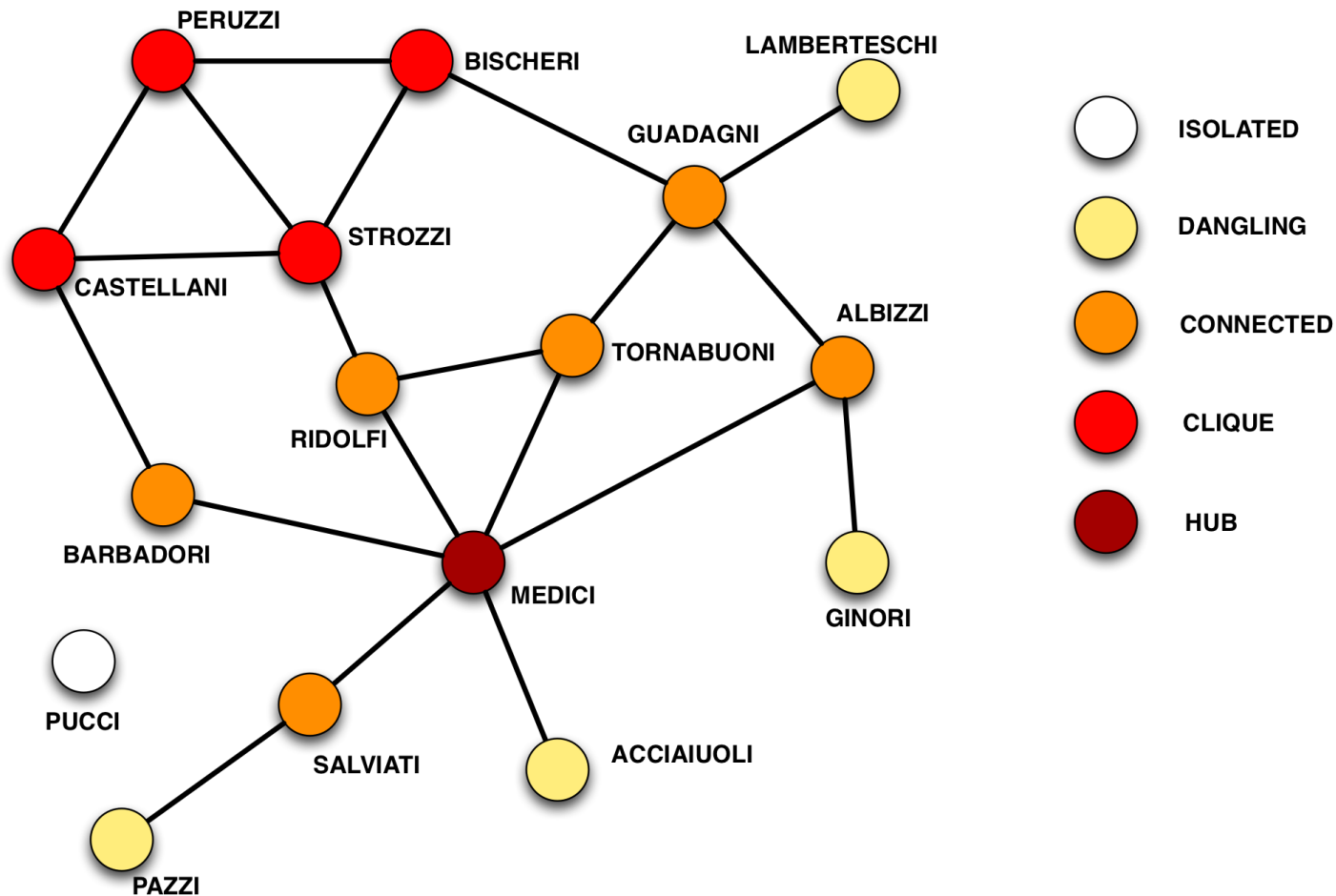
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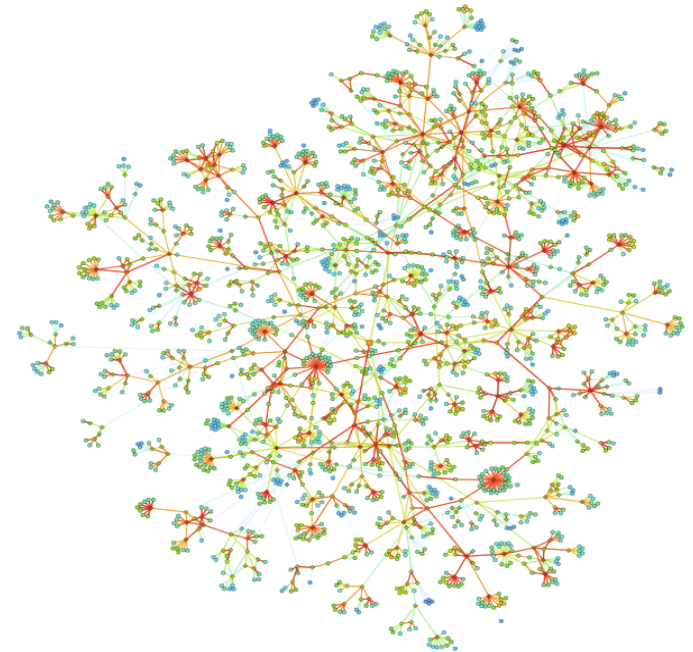
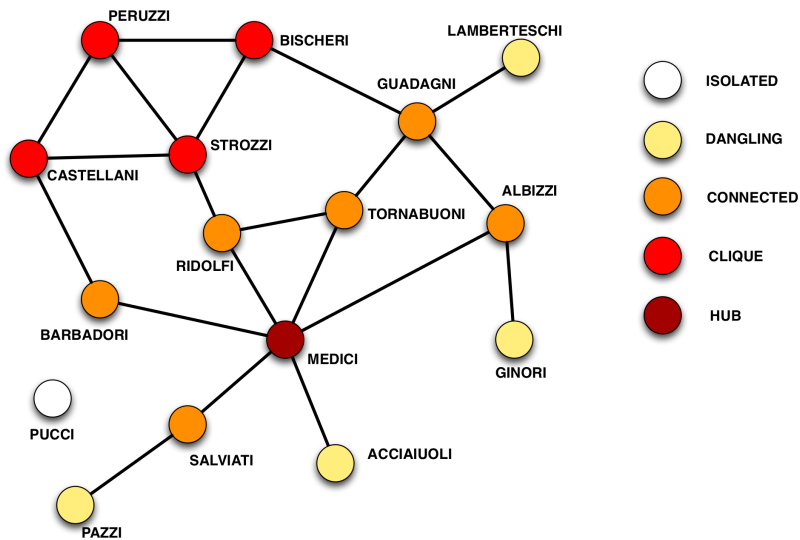
4) Clustering



4) Centrality in politics



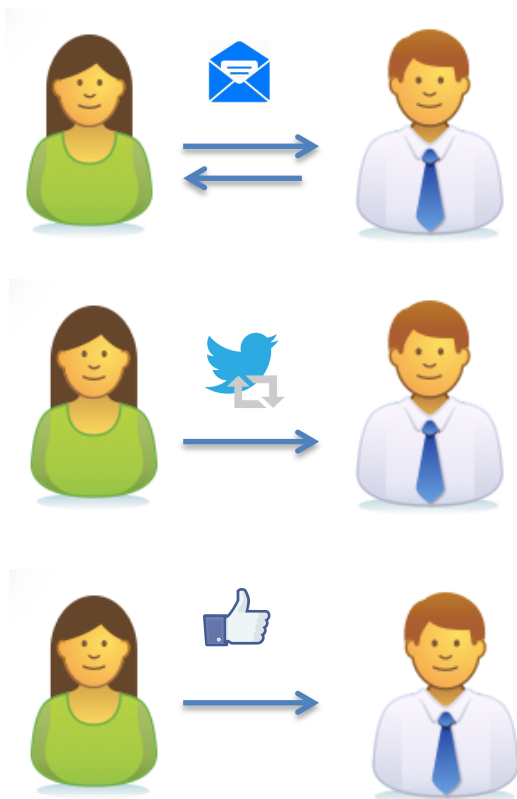
Our interactions are a network



Friendship

Francesca

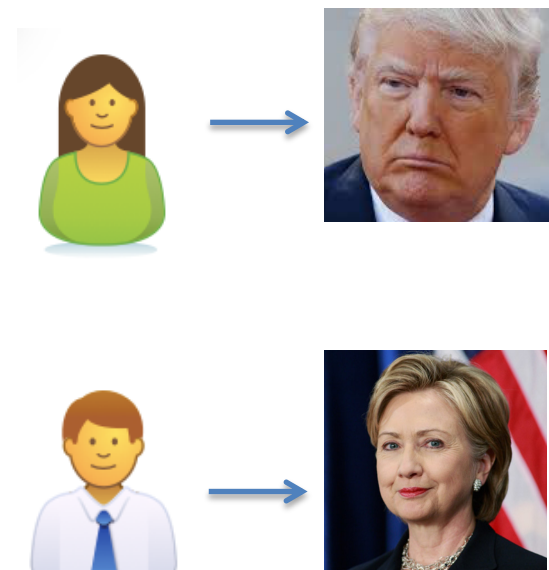
Paolo



Goods



Political Opinions





The great British Brexit robbery: how our democracy was hijacked

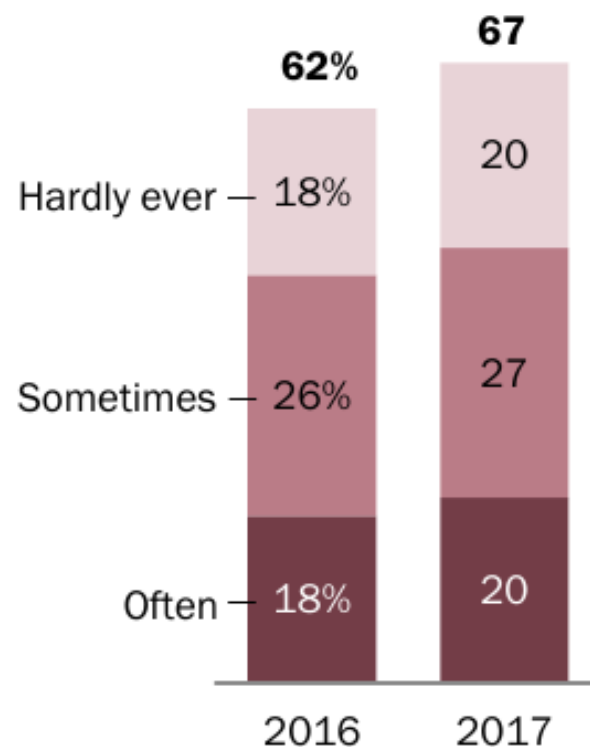
With great powers comes great responsibility (Spiderman)



In 2016, roughly 50% of Americans aged 18-29 used online platforms as their primary source of news while 27% watched the news on television and 5% read print newspapers[Niklewicz 2017];

As of August 2017, two-thirds (67%) of US adults report that they get at least some of their news on social media[Shearer and Gottfried 2017];

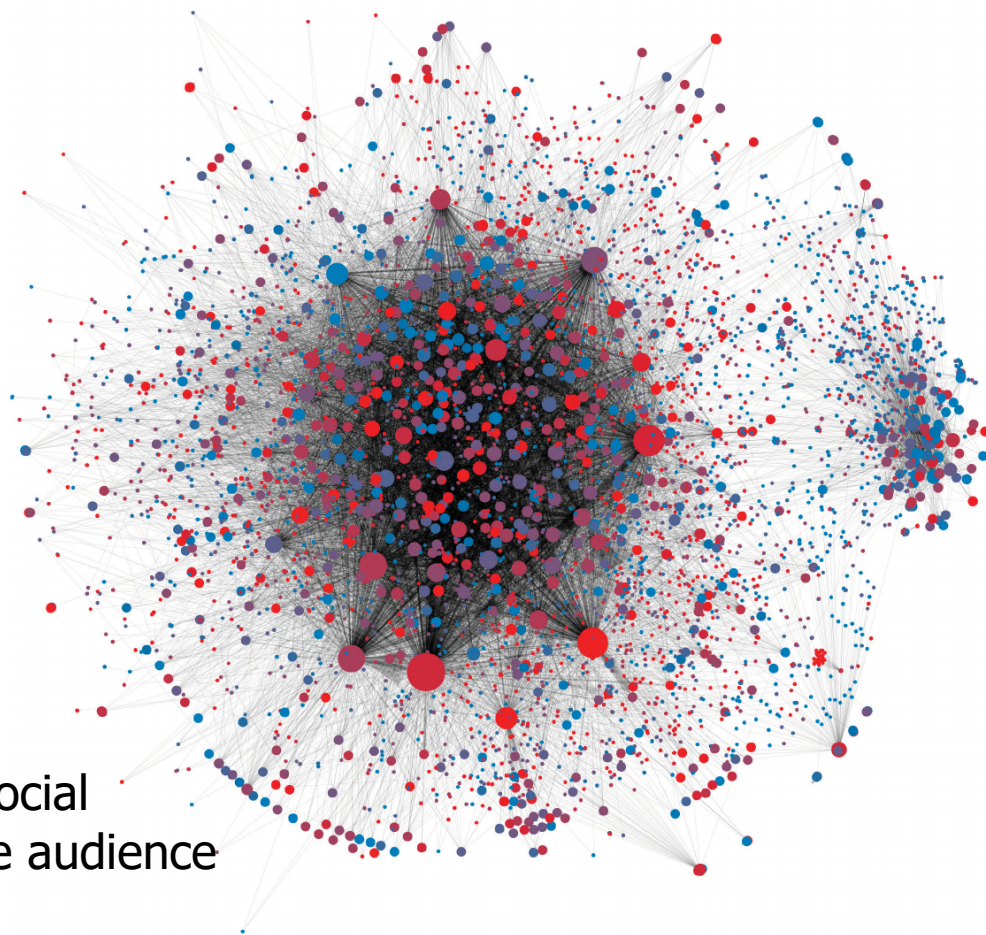
% of U.S. adults who get news from social media sites ...



Retweet network for the
#SB277 hashtag, about

a California law on vaccination;

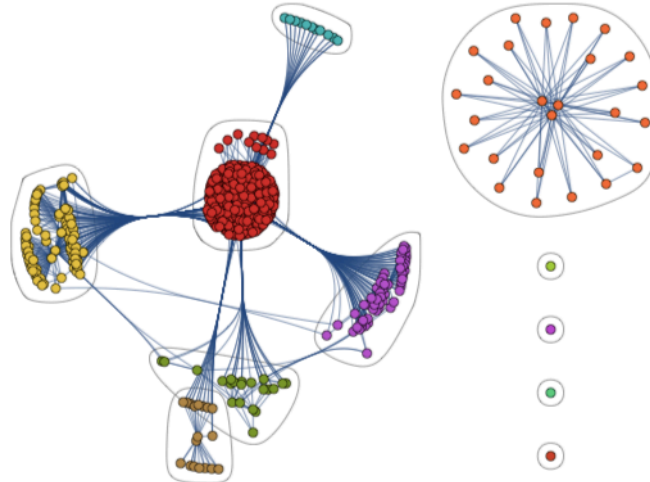
- The node size represents influence;
- The color represents bot scores:
 - **red nodes**: bot accounts;
 - **blue nodes**: humans.



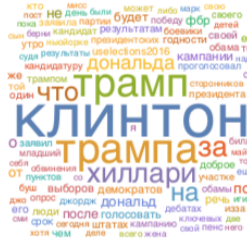
Social bots can alter the perception of social media influence, artificially enlarging the audience of some topics[Ferrara et al. 2017]

Data mining has revealed previously unknown Russian Twitter troll campaigns

Trolls left forensic fingerprints that cybersecurity experts used to find other disinformation campaigns both in the US and elsewhere.



by Emerging Technology from the arXiv October 11, 2018



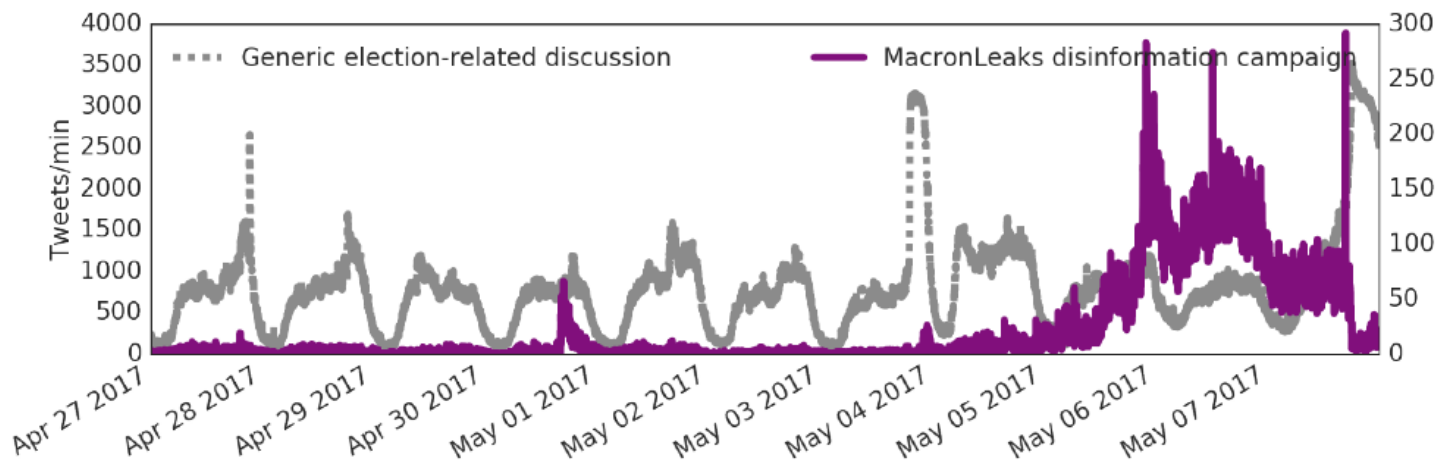
arxiv.org/abs/1810.01466 : Unsupervised Machine Learning of Open Source Russian Twitter Data Reveals Global Scope and Operational Characteristics



Manipulation of public opinion:

- **Societal debate interference:** misinformation may strongly influence individuals' beliefs on several topics, (e.g effectiveness of vaccination [Schmidt et al. 2018]);
- **Disinformation** in political campaign: massive diffusion of fake news on social media during the 2017 French presidential elections [Ferrara 2017] and the 2016 US presidential elections [Shao et al. 2018].

Timeline of the tweets volume generated every minute during April 27, 2017 through May 7, 2017 (French presidential election date).

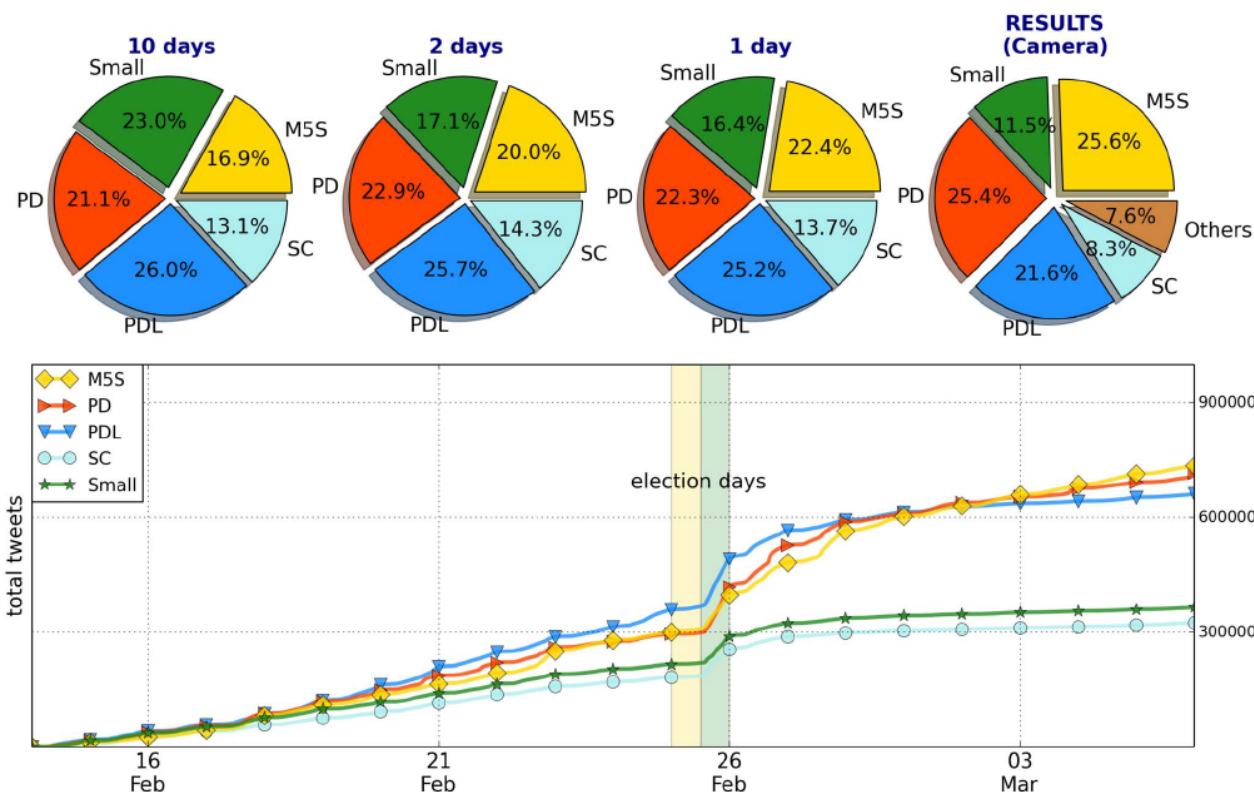


Purple line: tweets on MacronLeaks;

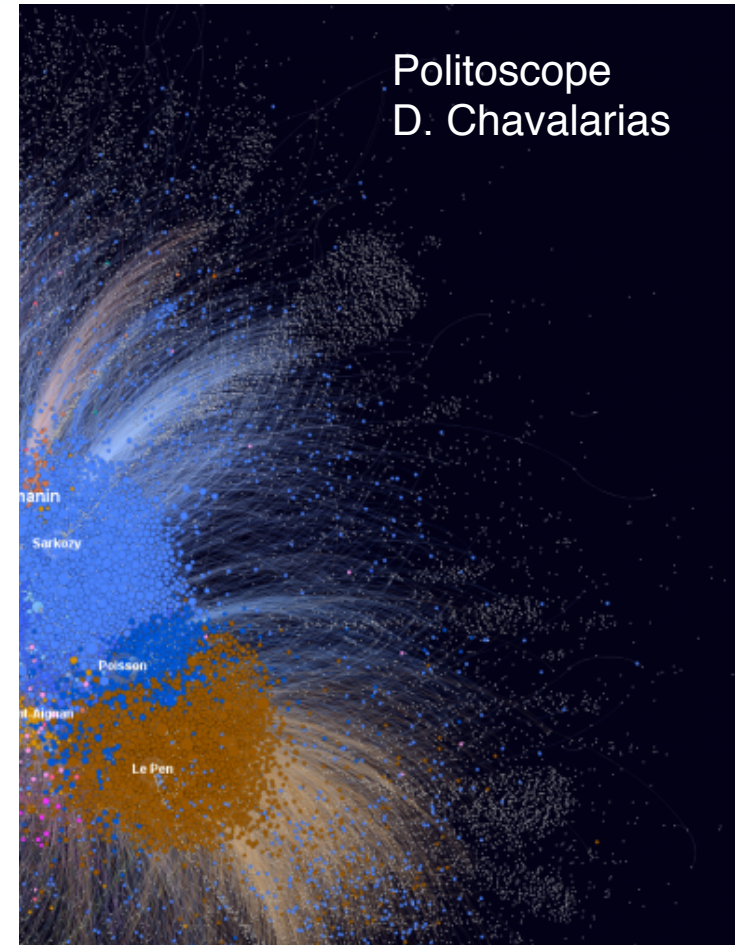
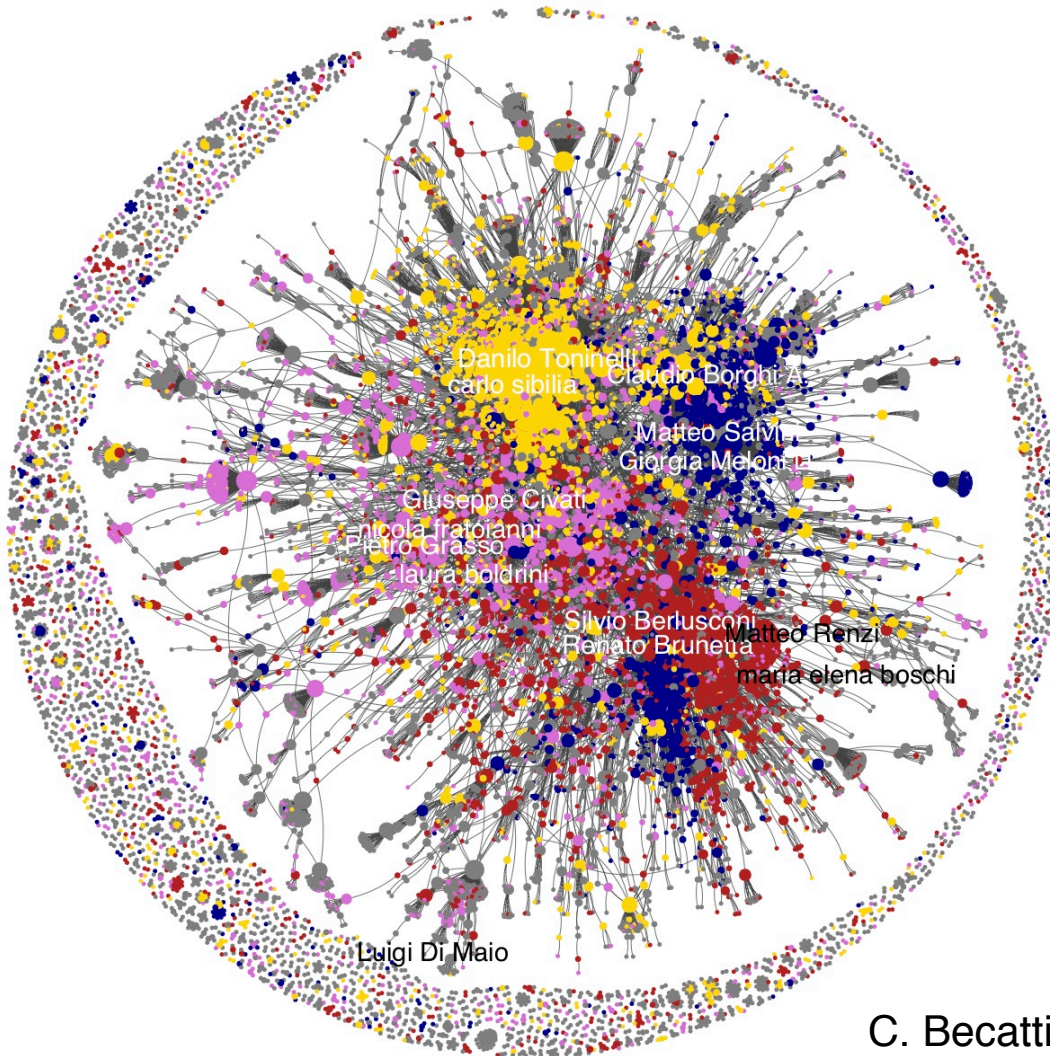
Gray line: tweets on generic election-related discussion

A Multi-Level Geographical Study of Italian Political Elections from Twitter Data

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Michelangelo Puliga^{1,4*}, Massimo Riccaboni^{1,6}, Gianni Riotta^{1,7}



Centrality in political debate (France-Italy)



C. Becatti, G.C. R. Lambiotte, F. Saracco

Other than Economics and Medicine:

Intelligence: we can track down the network of terrorists

Finance: for systemic risk in the interbank market

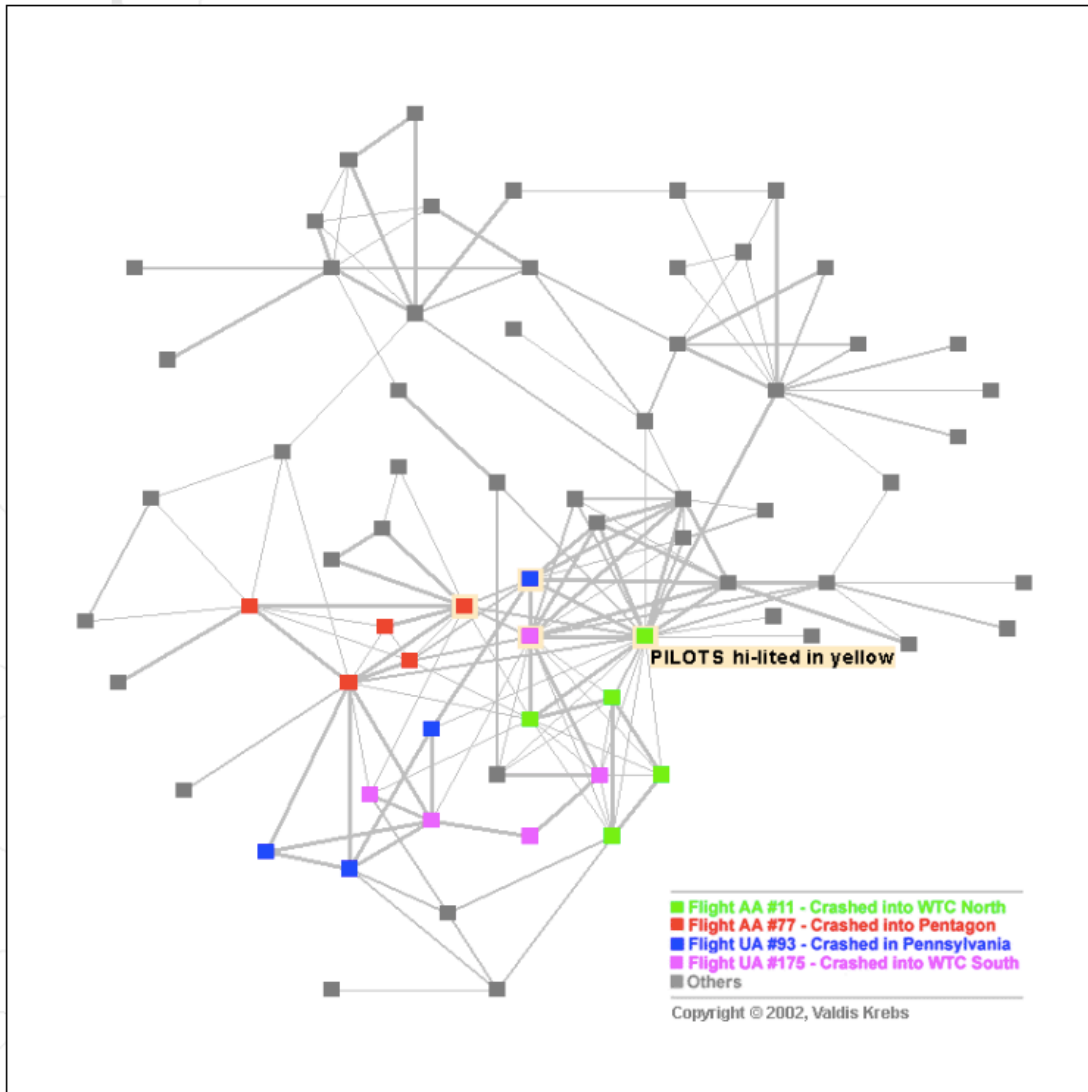
Brain: for diagnosis and analysis of diseases

Intelligence and Networks

1. Incompleteness – the inevitability of missing nodes and links that the investigators will not uncover.
2. Fuzzy boundaries – the difficulty in deciding who to include and who not to include.
3. Dynamic – these networks are not static, they are always changing. Instead of looking at the presence or absence of a tie between two individuals, Sparrow suggests looking at the waxing and waning strength of a tie depending upon the time and the task at hand.

Twin Towers attack 11 September 2001

Network of attackers



THE HIJACKERS ...

American Airlines 11

Crashed into WTC (north)



Mohamed Atta
(Egyptian)
Received pilot training



Waleed M. Alshehri
(Saudi)
Commercial pilot



Wail Alshahri
(Saudi)
Possible pilot training



Satam al-Suqami
(Nationality unknown)



No picture available
Abdulaziz Alomari*
(Saudi)
Possible pilot training

American Airlines 77

Crashed into Pentagon



Khalid al-Midhar
(Nationality unknown)
Received pilot training



Majed Moqed
(Nationality unknown)



Salem Alhamzi*
(Saudi)
Possible pilot training



Nawaf Alhamzi*
(Saudi)



Hani Hanjour
(Saudi)

United Airlines 175

Crashed into WTC (south)



Marwan al-Shehhi
(United Arab Emirates)
Received pilot training



No picture available
Fayez Ahmed
(Believed to be Saudi)



Ahmed Alghamdi
(Possibly Saudi)



Hamza Alghamdi
(Believed to be Saudi)
Possible pilot training



Mohald Alshehri
(Nationality unknown)
Possible pilot training

United Airlines 93

Crashed in Pennsylvania



Ziad Jarrah
(Lebanese)
Received pilot training



Ahmed Alhaznawi
(Saudi)



Ahmed Alnami
(Nationality unknown)



Saeed Alghamdi*
(Seems to be Saudi)

*Disputed identity

AND HOW THEY WERE CONNECTED

Attended same technical college

Hamburg, Germany

Mohamed Atta
Marwan al-Shehhi
Ziad Jarrah

Took flight classes together

Pilot schools
in Florida

Mohamed Atta
Marwan al-Shehhi

Pilot schools
in San Diego

Khalid al-Midhar
Nawaf Alhamzi

Known to be together in week before attacks

Stayed together
in a Florida
motel

Mohamed Atta
Marwan al-Shehhi

Attended a gym
in Maryland
(Sept 2-6),
also seen dining
together

Khalid al-Midhar
Majed Moqed
Salem Alhamzi
Nawaf Alhamzi
Hani Hanjour

Last known address

Hollywood, Florida

Marwan al-Shehhi
Waleed M. Alshehri
Wail Alshahri
Ziad Jarrah
Hani Hanjour

Other cities
in Florida

Mohamed Atta
Fayez Ahmed
Ahmed Alghamdi
Mohald Alshehri
Khalid al-Midhar
Ahmed Alhaznawi
Ahmed Alnami
Saeed Alghamdi

Bought flight tickets using same address

• Mohamed Atta*
Marwan al-Shehhi
Abdulaziz Alomari*

* Also used same credit card

• Waleed M. Alshehri
Wail Alshahri

• Fayez Ahmed
Mohald Alshehri

• Ahmed Alghamdi
Hamza Alghamdi

Bought flight tickets together

Mohamed Atta
Ziad Jarrah
Ahmed Alhaznawi

Picked up tickets
bought earlier in
Baltimore

Khalid al-Midhar
Majed Moqed

Bought from the
same travel agent
in Florida

Ahmed Alnami
Saeed Alghamdi

Outside Florida

Satam al-Suqami
Hamza Alghamdi
Abdulaziz Alomari
Majed Moqed
Salem Alhamzi
Nawaf Alhamzi

| Degrees | | Betweenness | | Closeness | |
|---------|----------------------|-------------|----------------------|-----------|----------------------|
| 0.417 | Mohamed Atta | 0.334 | Nawaf Alhazmi | 0.571 | Mohamed Atta |
| 0.389 | Marwan Al-Shehhi | 0.318 | Mohamed Atta | 0.537 | Nawaf Alhazmi |
| 0.278 | Hani Hanjour | 0.227 | Hani Hanjour | 0.507 | Hani Hanjour |
| 0.278 | Nawaf Alhazmi | 0.158 | Marwan Al-Shehhi | 0.500 | Marwan Al-Shehhi |
| 0.278 | Ziad Jarrah | 0.116 | Saeed Alghamdi* | 0.480 | Ziad Jarrah |
| 0.222 | Ramzi Bin al-Shibh | 0.081 | Hamza Alghamdi | 0.429 | Mustafa al-Hisawi |
| 0.194 | Said Bahaji | 0.080 | Waleed Alshehri | 0.429 | Salem Alhazmi* |
| 0.167 | Hamza Alghamdi | 0.076 | Ziad Jarrah | 0.424 | Lotfi Raissi |
| 0.167 | Saeed Alghamdi* | 0.064 | Mustafa al-Hisawi | 0.424 | Saeed Alghamdi* |
| 0.139 | Lotfi Raissi | 0.049 | Abdul Aziz Al-Omari* | 0.419 | Abdul Aziz Al-Omari* |
| 0.139 | Zakariya Essabar | 0.033 | Satam Suqami | 0.414 | Hamza Alghamdi |
| 0.111 | Agus Budiman | 0.031 | Fayez Ahmed | 0.414 | Ramzi Bin al-Shibh |
| 0.111 | Khalid Al-Mihdhar | 0.030 | Ahmed Al Haznawi | 0.409 | Said Bahaji |
| 0.111 | Mounir El Motassadeq | 0.026 | Nabil al-Marabh | 0.404 | Ahmed Al Haznawi |
| 0.111 | Mustafa al-Hisawi | 0.016 | Raed Hijazi | 0.400 | Zakariya Essabar |
| 0.111 | Nabil al-Marabh | 0.015 | Lotfi Raissi | 0.396 | Agus Budiman |
| 0.111 | Rayed Abdullah | 0.012 | Mohand Alshehri* | 0.396 | Khalid Al-Mihdhar |
| 0.111 | Satam Suqami | 0.011 | Khalid Al-Mihdhar | 0.391 | Ahmed Alnami |
| 0.111 | Waleed Alshehri | 0.010 | Ramzi Bin al-Shibh | 0.391 | Mounir El Motassadeq |
| 0.083 | Abdul Aziz Al-Omari* | 0.007 | Salem Alhazmi* | 0.387 | Fayez Ahmed |
| 0.083 | Abdussattar Shaikh | 0.004 | Ahmed Alghamdi | 0.387 | Mamoun Darkazanli |
| 0.083 | Ahmed Al Haznawi | 0.004 | Said Bahaji | 0.371 | Zacarias Moussaoui |
| 0.083 | Ahmed Alnami | 0.002 | Rayed Abdullah | 0.367 | Ahmed Khalil Al-Ani |
| 0.083 | Fayez Ahmed | 0.000 | Abdussattar Shaikh | 0.360 | Abdussattar Shaikh |

The screenshot shows the Nature Physics journal website. At the top left is the 'nature physics' logo. To the right are 'Login' and 'Cart' links. Below the logo is a search bar with a 'go' button and a link to 'Advanced search'. A yellow banner across the middle reads 'Take the Nature Publishing Group survey for the chance to win a MacBook Air' with a 'Find out more' button. Below this is a breadcrumb trail: 'Journal home > Archive > Table of contents'. On the left, there are navigation links for 'Journal content' and 'Journal home'. The main content area shows 'Table of contents' for 'nature March 2013, Volume 9 No 3 pp119-197'. On the right, there is a 'Subscribe to Nature Physics' section with a 'Subscribe' button. At the bottom right of the screenshot is the CrossMark logo with the text 'click for updates'.

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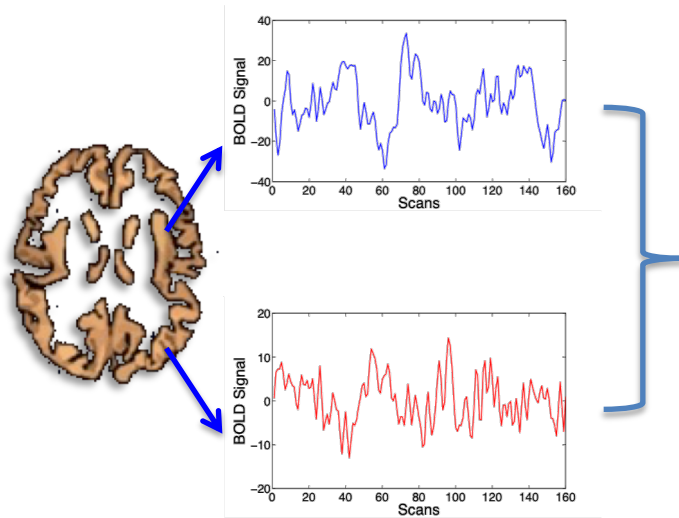
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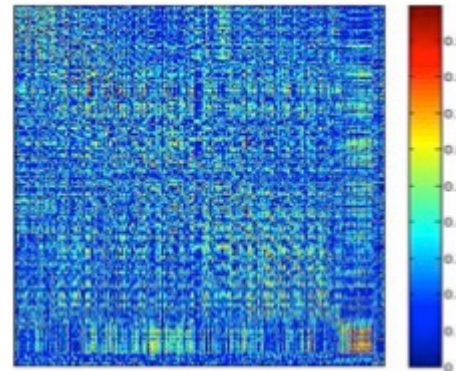
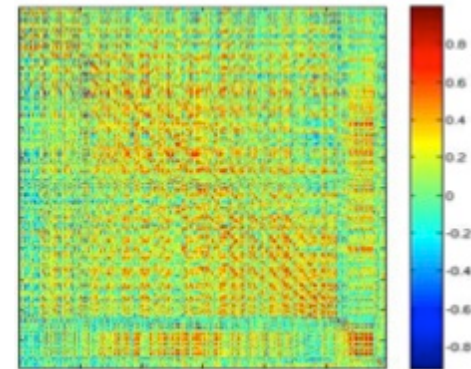


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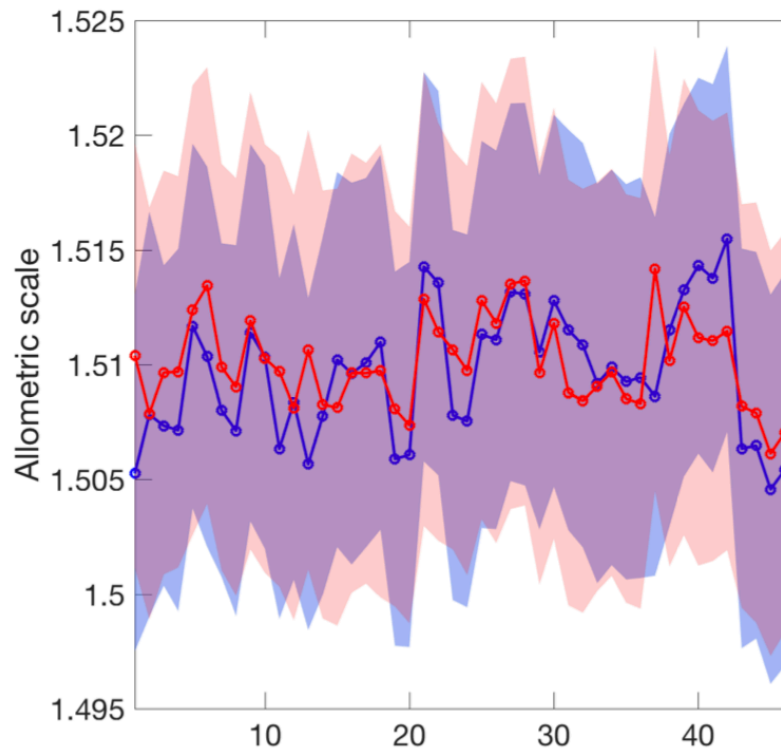
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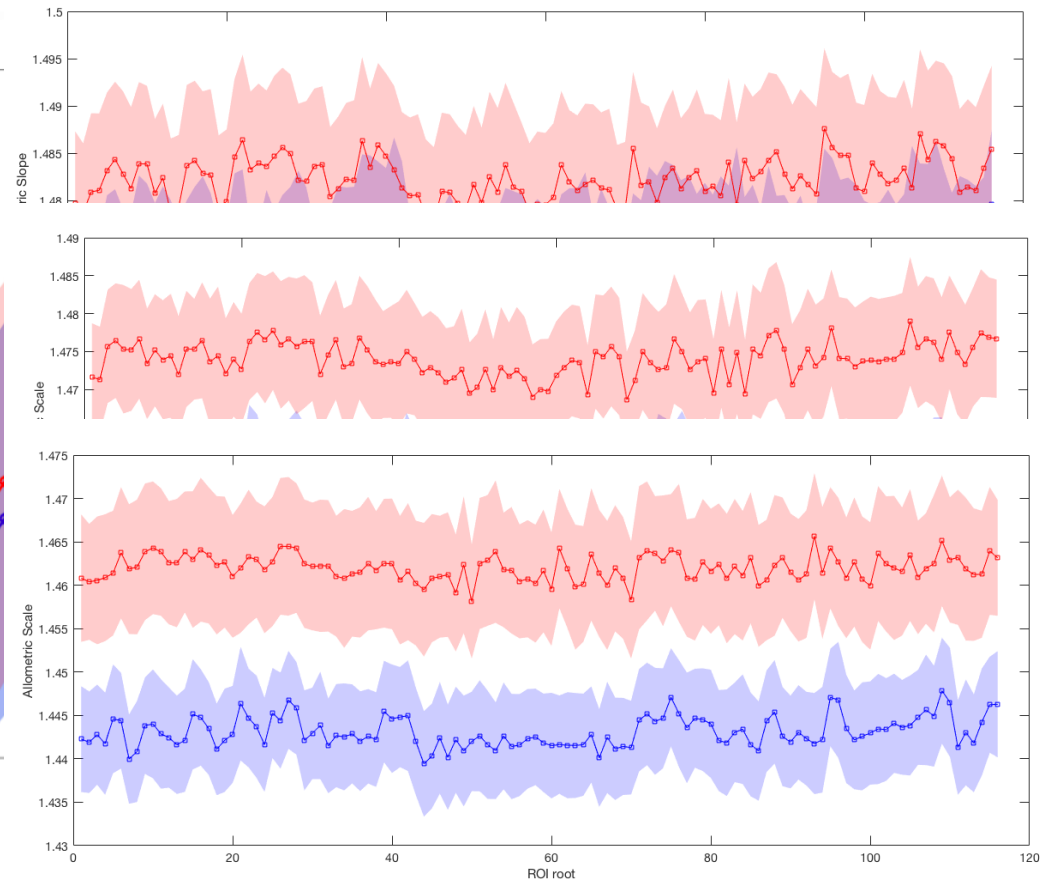
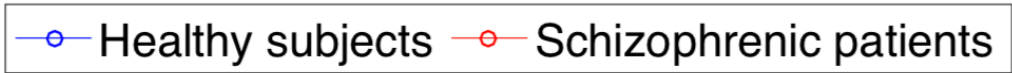
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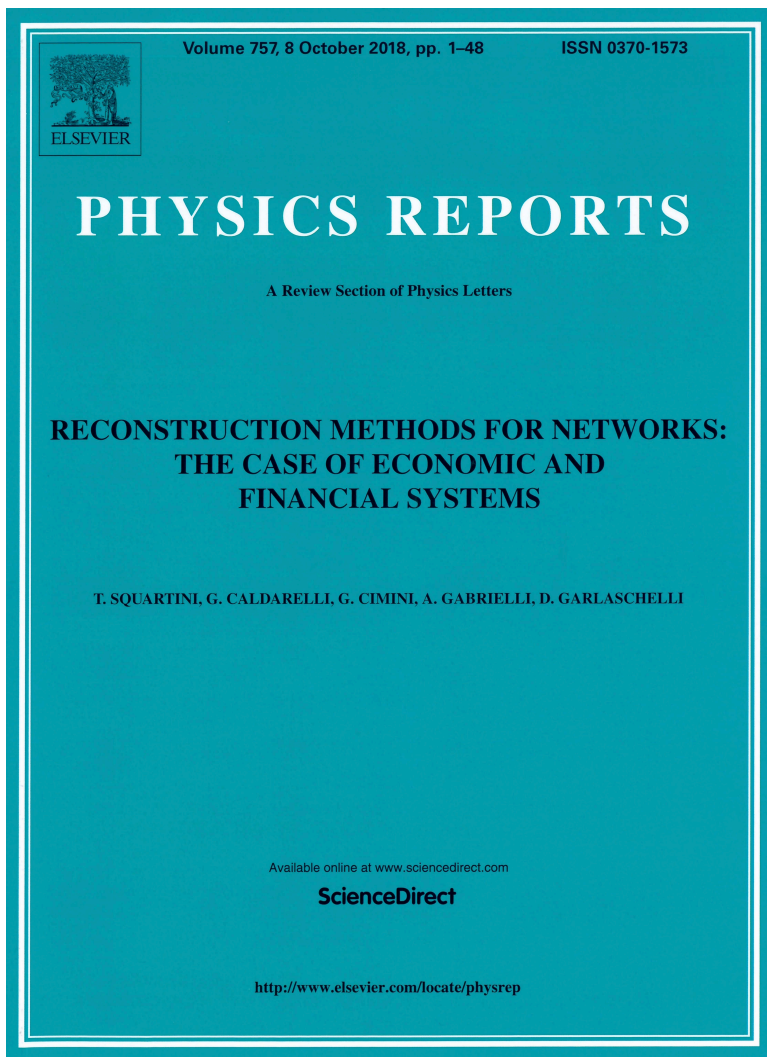
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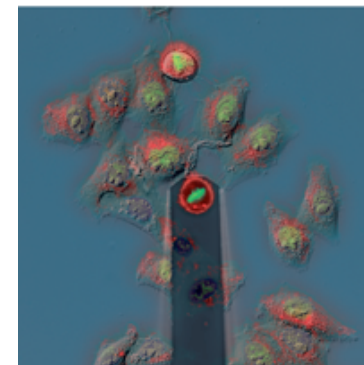
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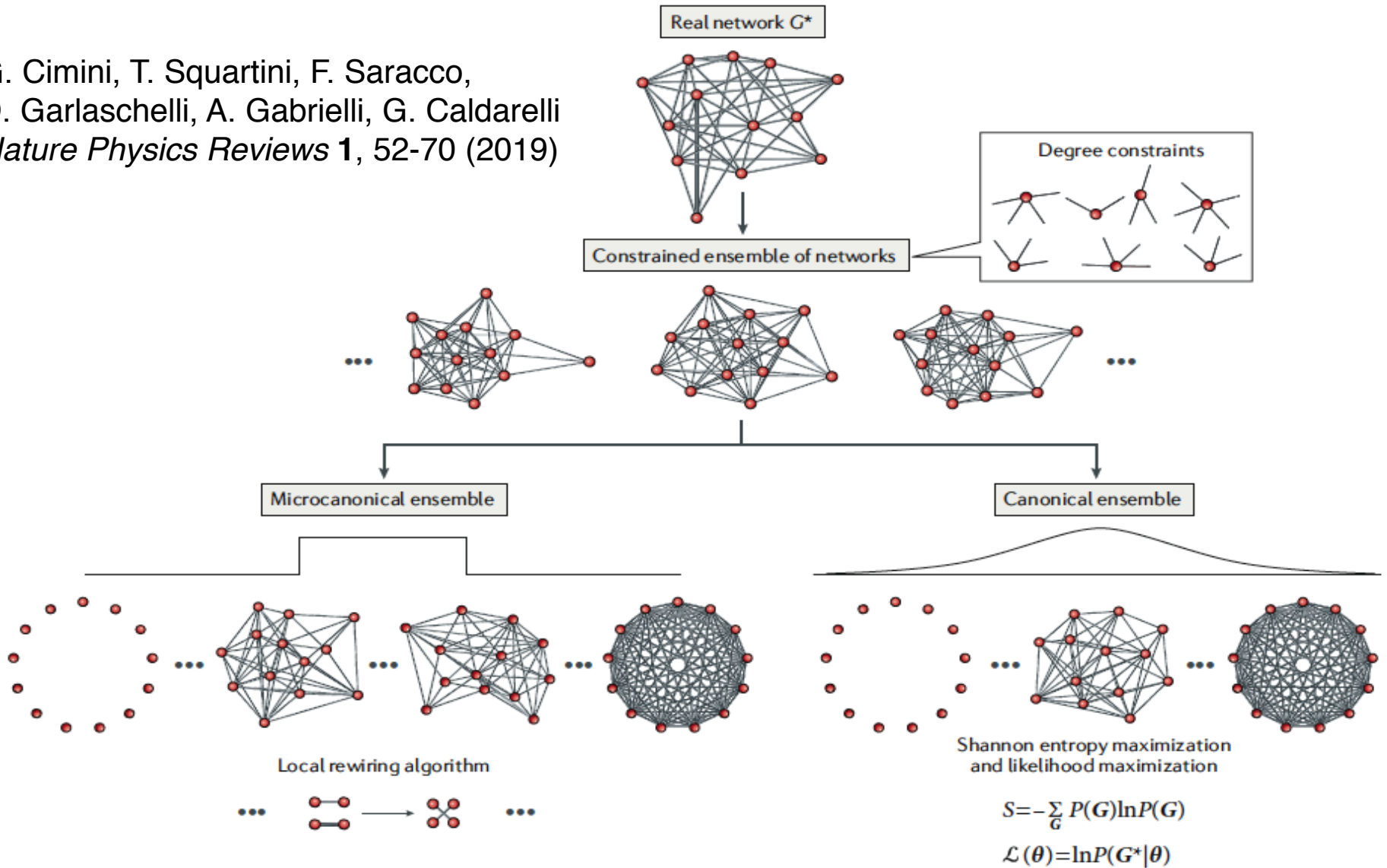
The statistical physics of real-world networks

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Abstract | In the past 15 years, statistical physics has been successful as a framework for modelling complex networks. On the theoretical side, this approach has unveiled a variety of physical phenomena, such as the emergence of mixed distributions and ensemble non-equivalence, that are observed in heterogeneous networks but not in homogeneous systems. At the same time, thanks to the deep connection between the principle of maximum entropy and information theory, statistical physics has led to the definition of null models for networks that reproduce features of real-world systems but that are otherwise as random as possible. We review here the statistical physics approach and the null models for complex networks, focusing in particular on analytical frameworks that reproduce local network features. We show how these models have been used to detect statistically significant structural patterns in real-world networks and to reconstruct the network structure in cases of incomplete information. We further survey the statistical physics models that reproduce more complex, semilocal network features using Markov chain Monte Carlo sampling, as well as models of generalized network structures, such as multiplex networks, interacting networks and simplicial complexes.

Reconstructing from partial information

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Physics of humans, physics for society

To the Editor — Today, the massive use of information and communication technologies (ICT) has made it possible to attach a traceable set of data to almost any person. We argue that these data provide the opportunity to build a ‘physics of society’: describing a society — composed of many interacting heterogeneous entities (people, businesses, institutions) — as a physical system. While important ethical implications have to be taken into account, the benefits in developing such physics of society would be tremendous. Indeed, it could help understanding, anticipating and forecasting future societal trends and human behavioural responses, and their associated uncertainty¹; or address societal challenges in which globally networked risks play a role^{2,3}. A case in point is modern epidemiology and its success in predicting the large-scale spreading of infectious diseases⁴.

like to find quantities similar to pressure — the integral of the particles’ impulse — but, since individuals do not follow a well-behaved Maxwell–Boltzmann distribution function, this could simply be unachievable.

Yet, despite all of the above, we argue that physics can still play a pivotal role in the quest to find regularities in societal dynamics based on patterns of human interactions. Sociotechnical systems where human interactions are partly mediated by ICT exhibit emerging dynamics and are more often than not out of equilibrium. They also involve many temporal and spatial scales, are governed by nonlinear effects and can adapt to external and internal perturbations. We have roughly all the ingredients of a truly out-of-equilibrium complex system, for the study of which physics provides methods and tools.

How should we proceed? The first step, in

would say necessary to address social problems. An example is data-driven stochastic microsimulation of the Zika virus epidemic¹⁰, which helps our understanding of a global and socially relevant dynamics, and at the same time contributes to the more traditional problem of characterizing diffusion in disordered media.

However, the pursuit of a physics for society would bear fruit only if physicists were ready to leave their traditional comfort zone and establish unconventional collaborations with researchers in other disciplines — such as computer and social scientists, and economists, in addition to mathematicians. We believe that such vision and agenda can only be realized with the support of international organizations like the European Commission, which triggered the development of the field with its Future and Emerging Technology

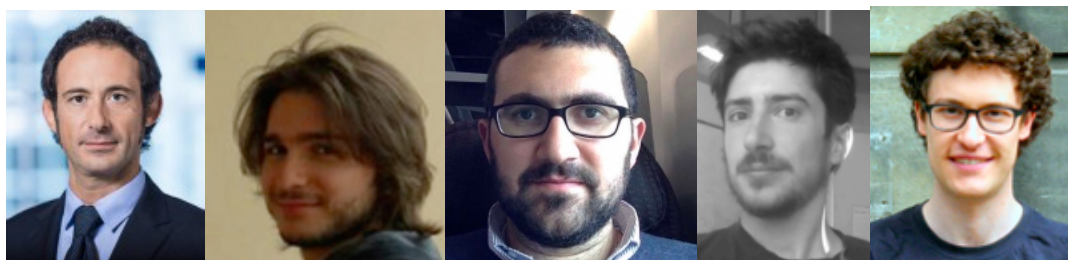
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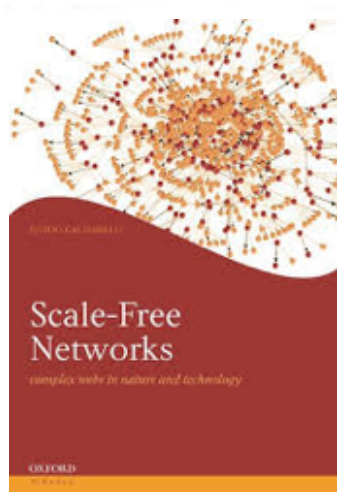
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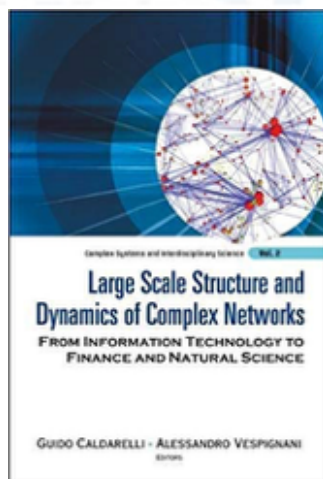
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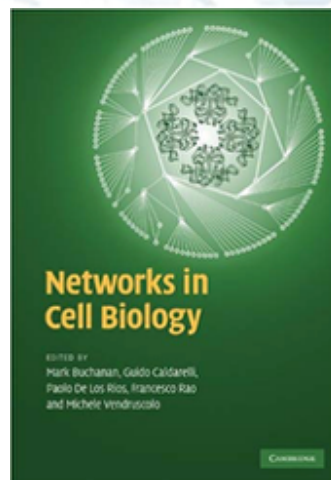




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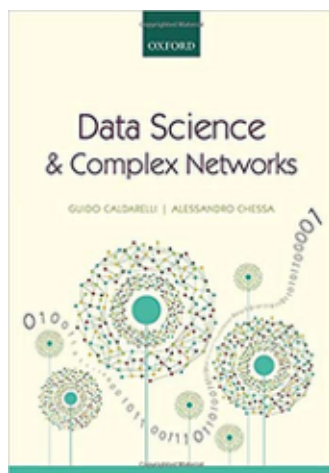
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