

# Non-Markovian Models of Networked Systems

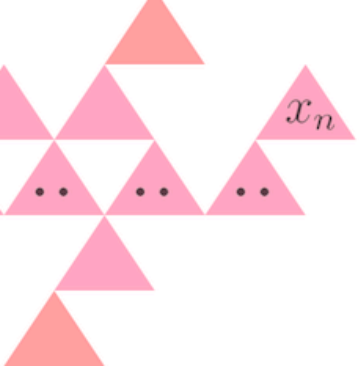
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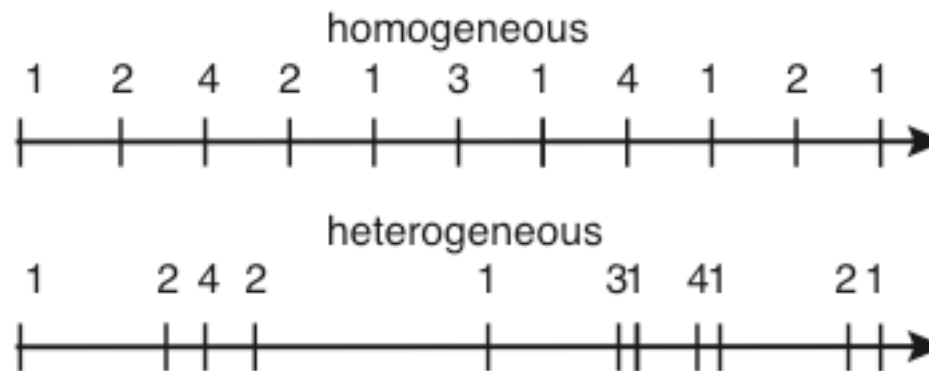
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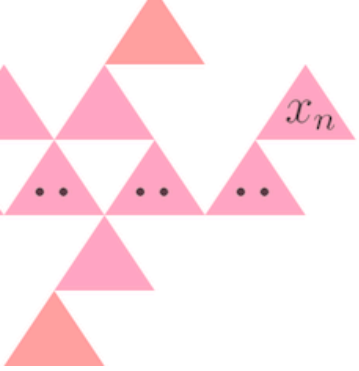
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# Non-Markovian Models of Networked Systems: Time



$$\mathbf{x}(t) = \mathbf{x}_0 \int_t^\infty \rho(t') dt' + \int_0^t P \mathbf{x}(t-t') \rho(t') dt$$



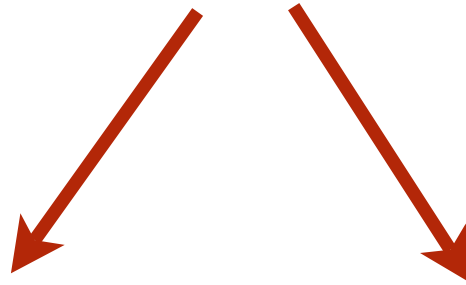
# Non-Markovian Models of Networked Systems: Pathways

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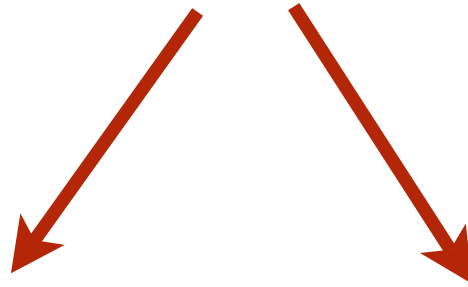
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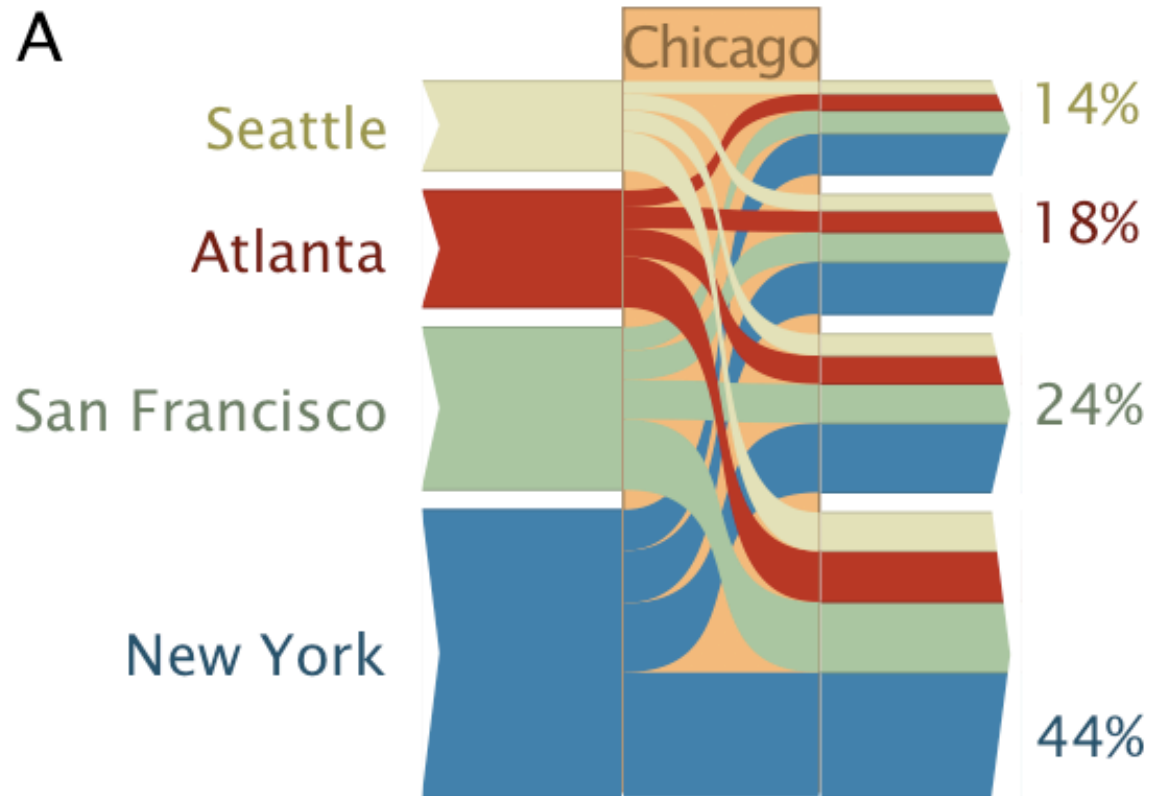
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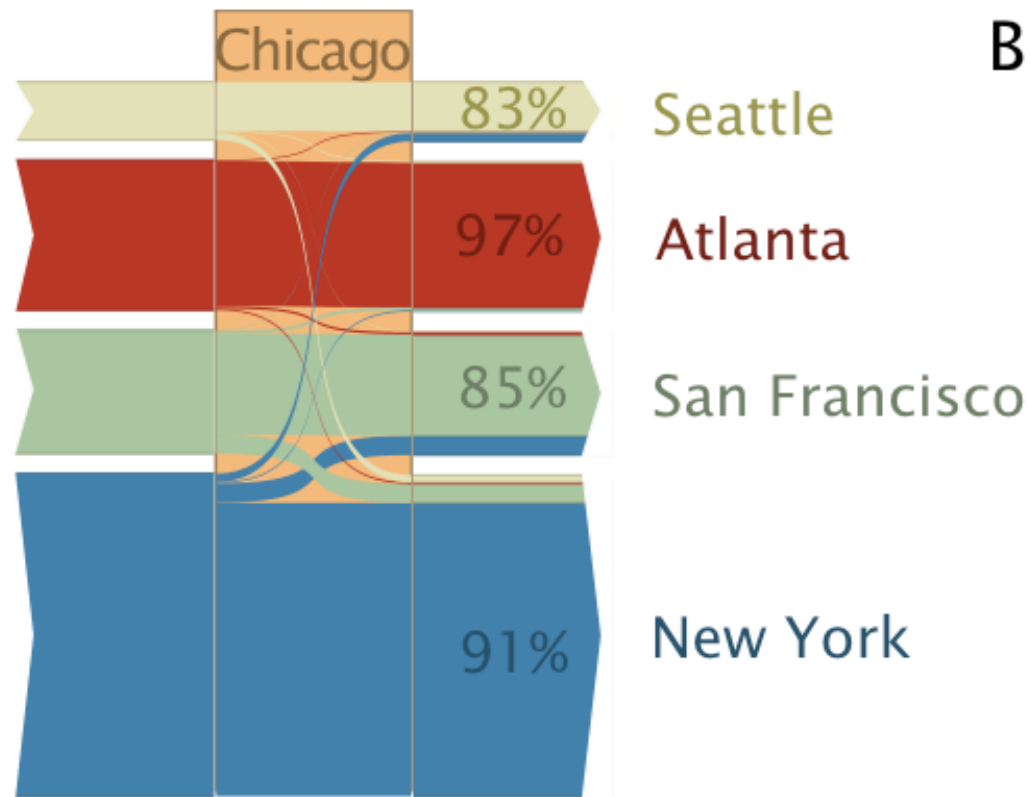
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## II. Data Extraction

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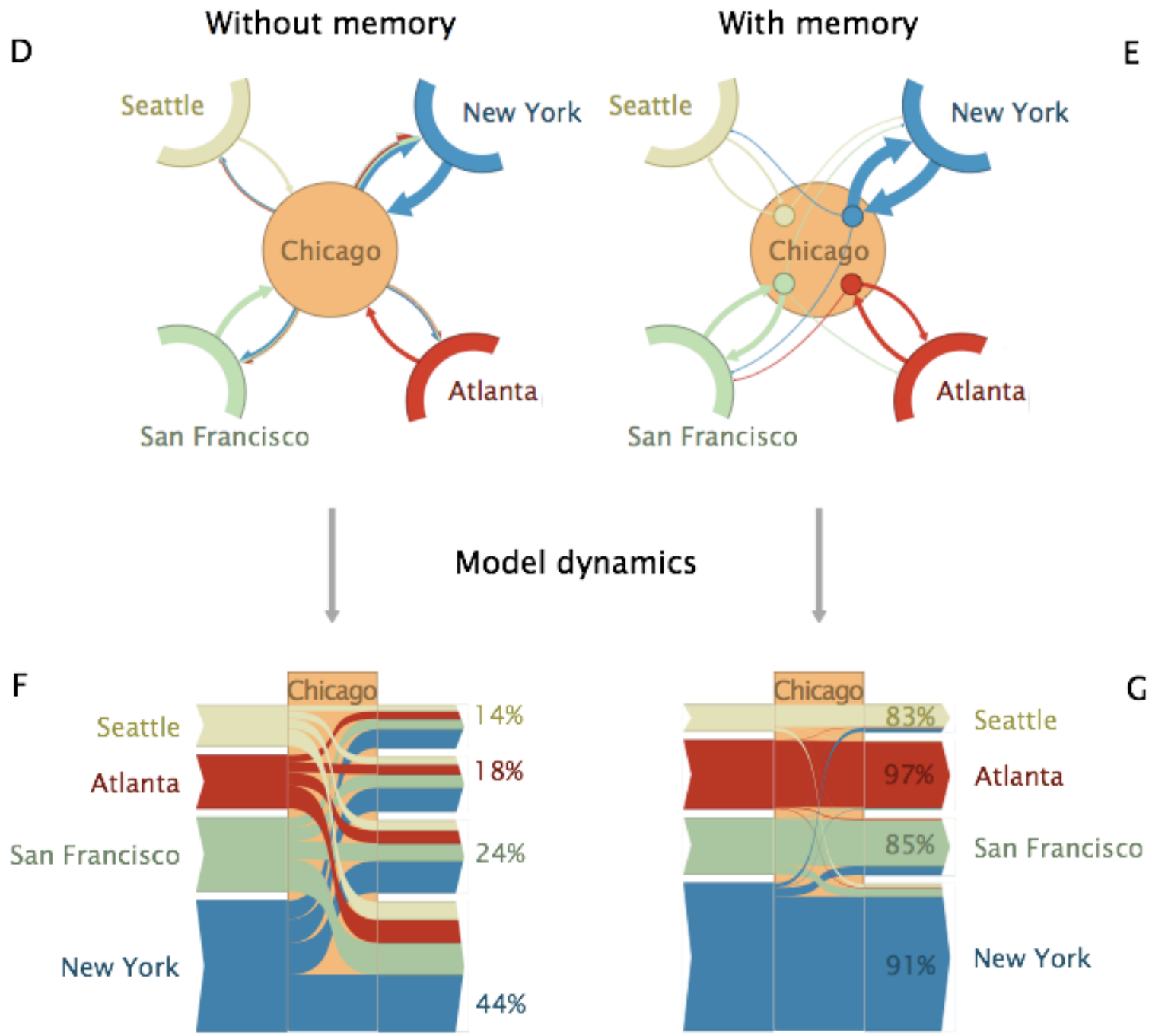
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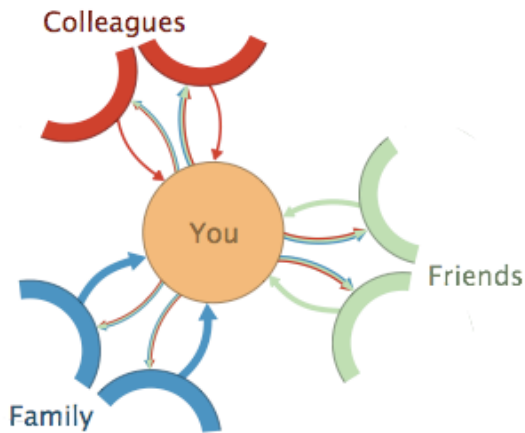




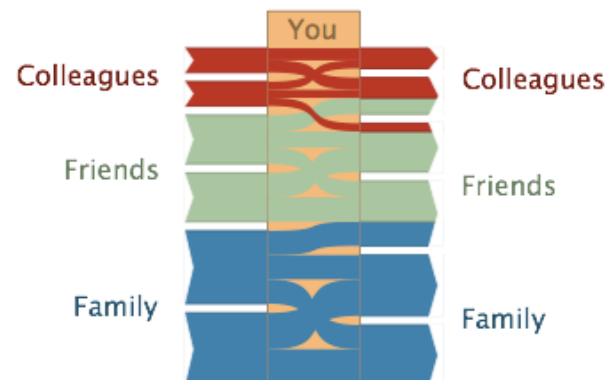
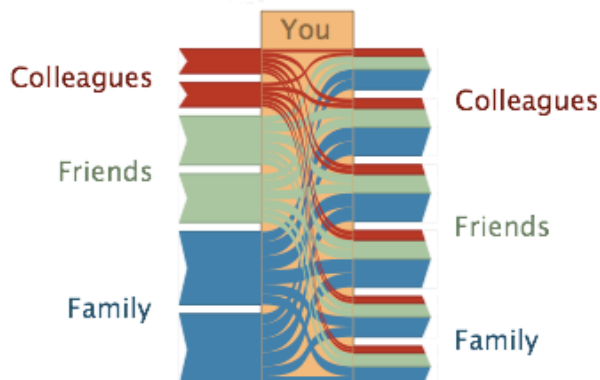
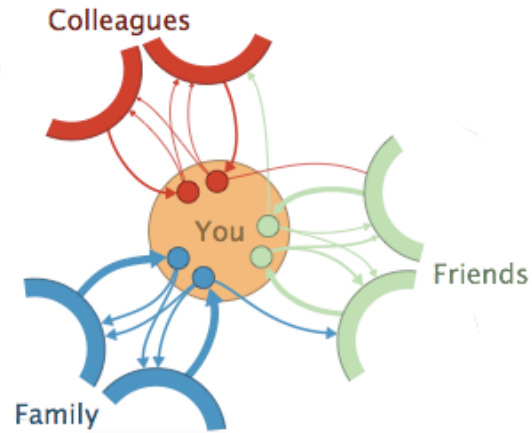
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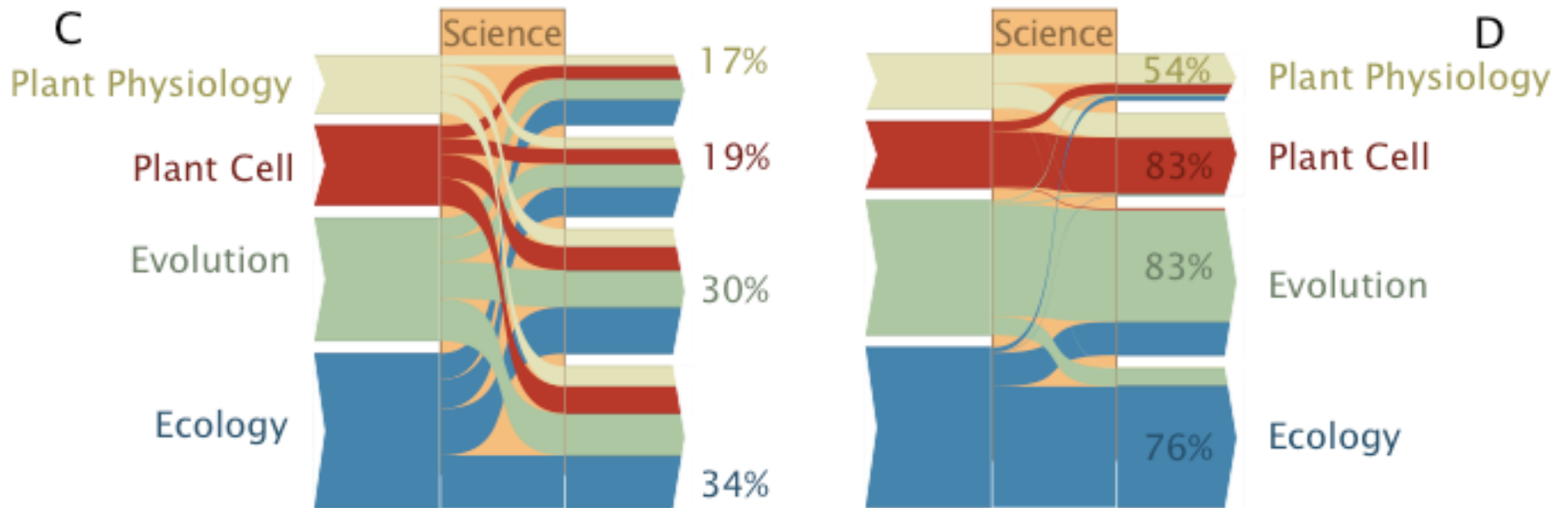


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## III. Significance



# Memory affects pathways

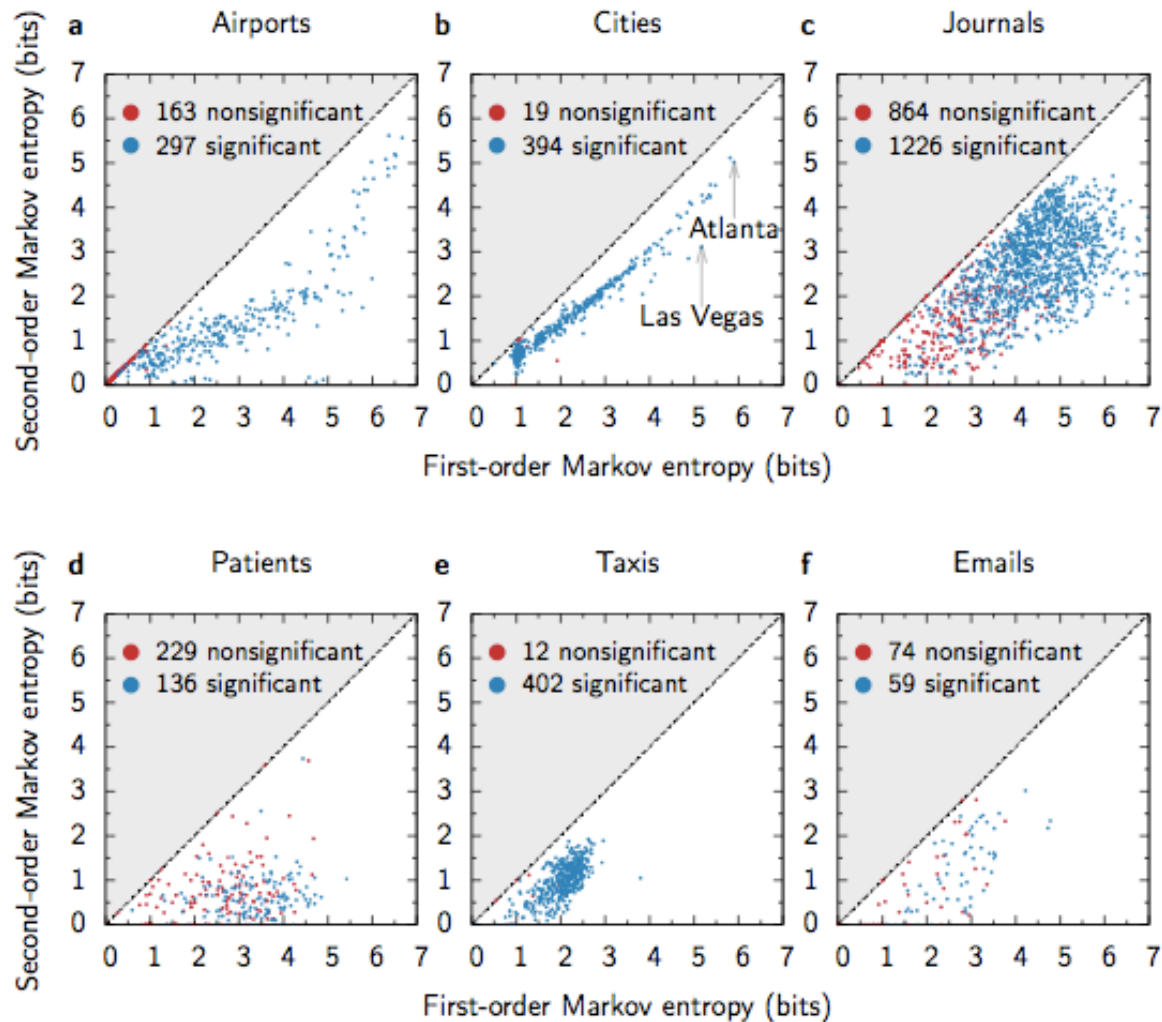
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Table 1: Table 1. Summary of second-order Markov effects in real-world networks. M1 and M2 for results obtained with a first- and second-order Markov model, respectively. In the Supplementary Information, we provide 10th and 90th percentiles from a bootstrap analysis

Network	Number of nodes		Two-step return (%)		Three-step return (%)		Entropy rate (bits)		Module size (%)		Module assignmt.		Compression gain (%)	Ranking diff. (%)
	M1	M2	M1	M2	M1	M2	M1	M2	M1	M2	M1	M2	M1→M2	M1→M2
Airports	464	17,983	5.7	47	2.1	0.63	5.2	3.4	93	5.1	1.2	6.2	13	8.2
Cities	413	15,368	6.5	48	2.8	0.62	4.7	3.5	32	5.3	1.8	3.7	5.2	3.7
Journals	1,983	201,349	11	21	4.7	5.4	4.5	3.5	14	15	1.8	3.4	4.7	9.7
Patients	402	4,987	16	54	1.9	3.4	3.0	1.0	7.3	1.9	5.0	4.7	30	22
Taxis	416	2,763	20	10	6.8	10	2.2	1.1	3.1	2.2	1.5	1.7	7.1	6.5
Emails	144	1,432	14	58	5.2	2.7	3.0	1.3	12	5.8	1.3	3.0	26	18

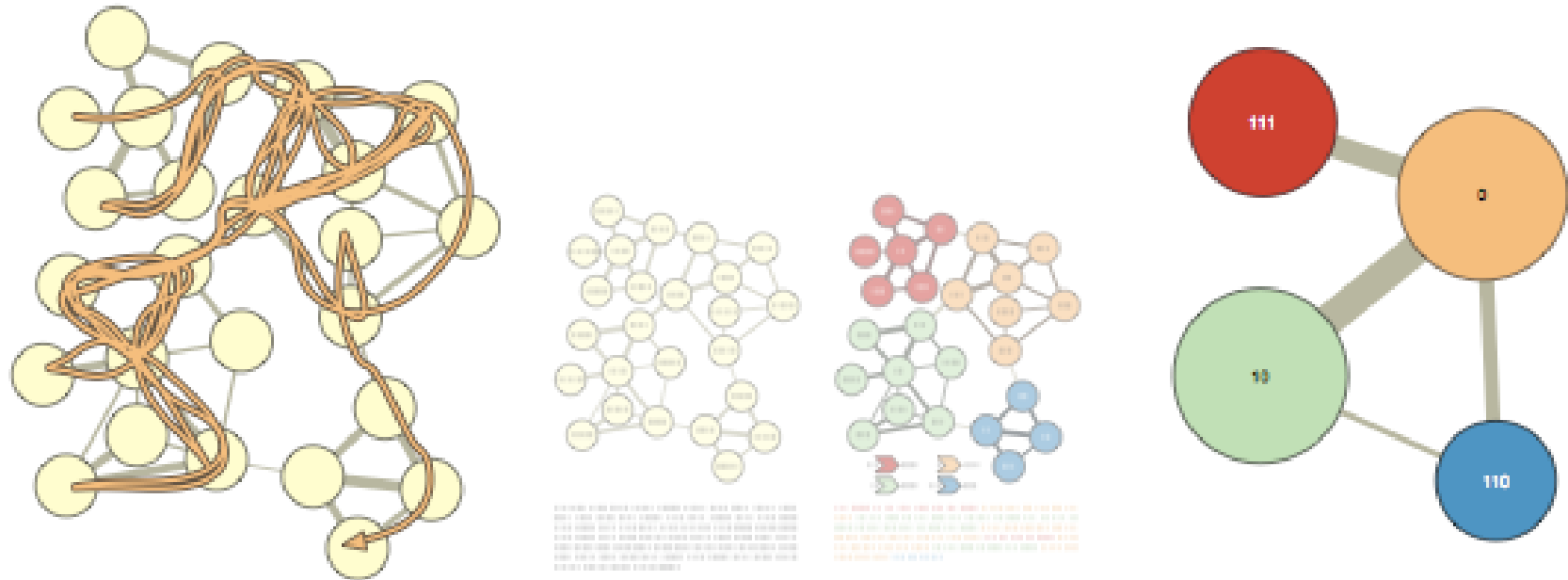
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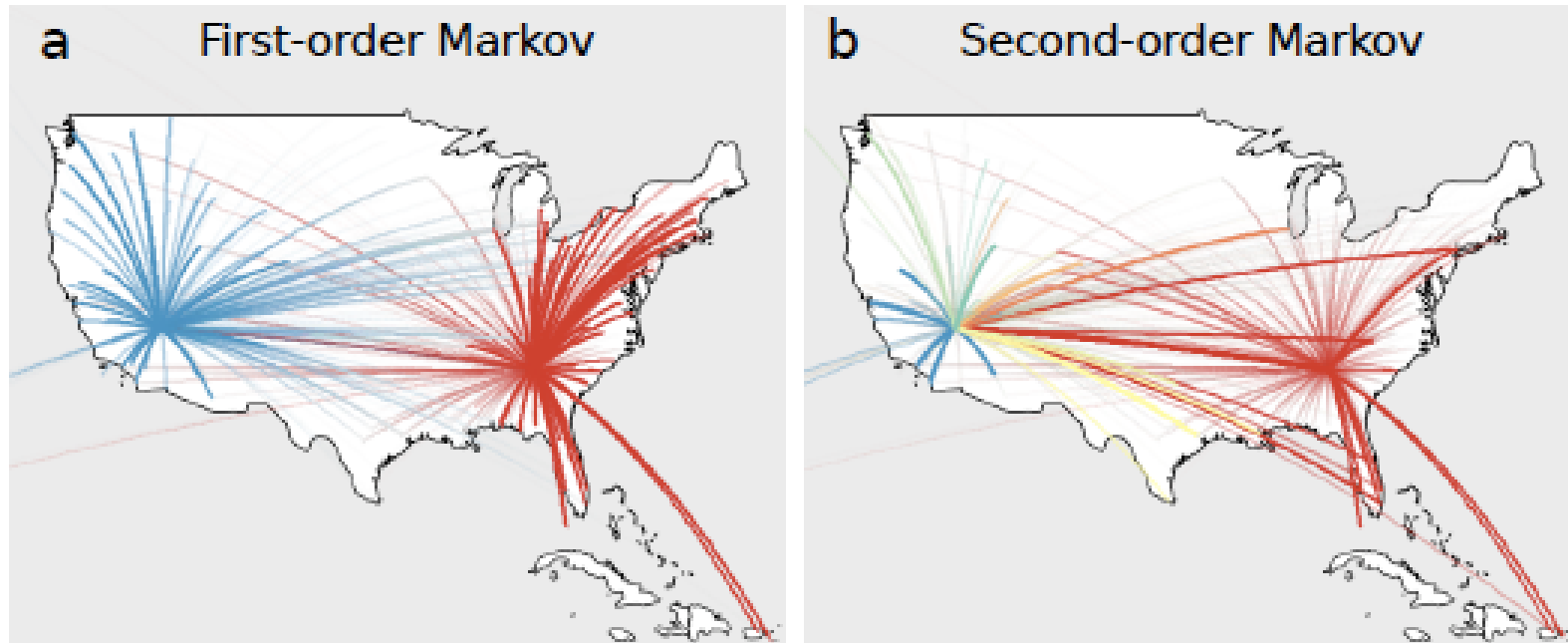
# III. Algorithms

# Algorithms for memory networks: community detection



Partition the system in order to optimise the compression of pathways of a random walker

# Algorithms for memory networks: community detection



More realistic pathways -> more realistic modules.

Second-order Markov dynamics allow for better compression, because random dynamics on networks obscure essential structural information.

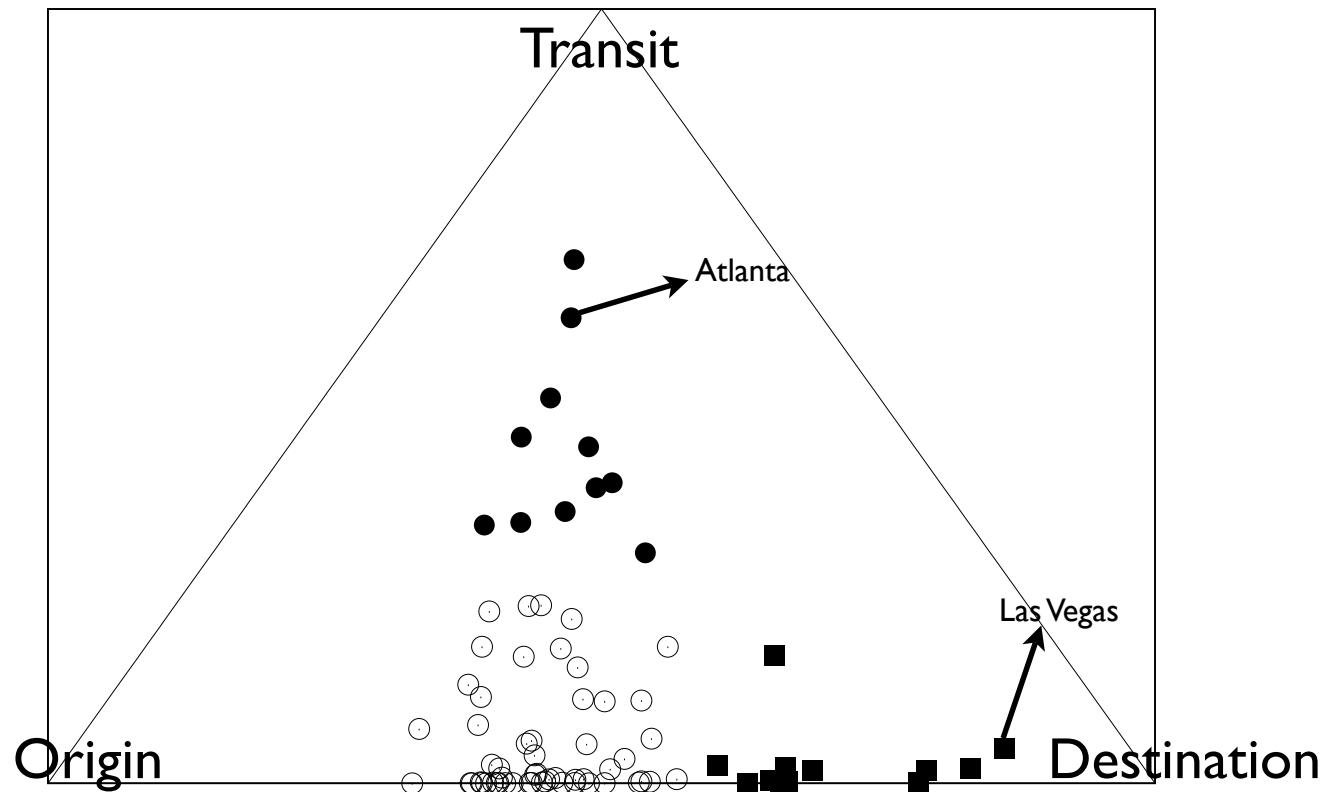
The method reveals smaller, more overlapping networks.

Connections with link partitioning and clique-percolation.

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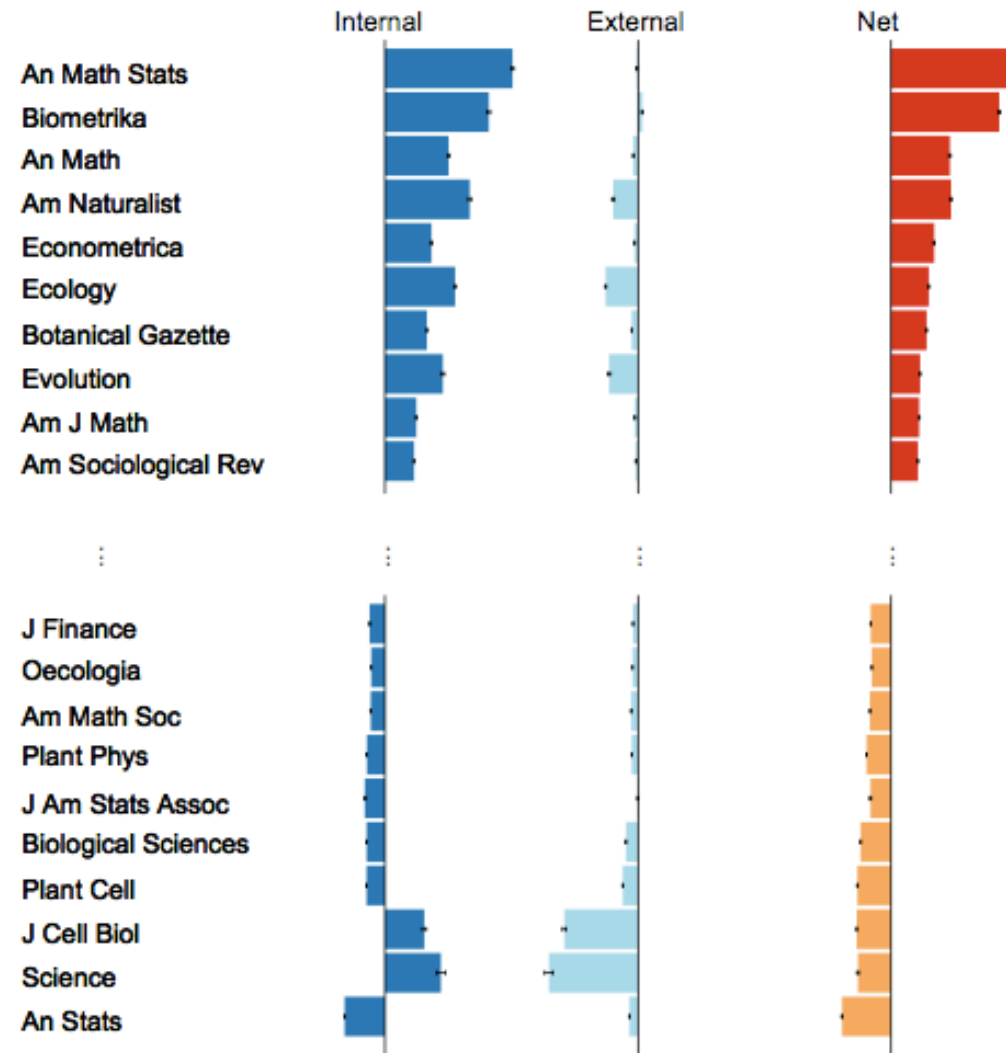
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# Algorithms for memory networks: role detection



Detection of roles based on the location of nodes in the pathways

# Algorithms for memory networks: ranking



Pagerank based on empirical flows instead of random ones

## IV. Models



# Model for memory networks

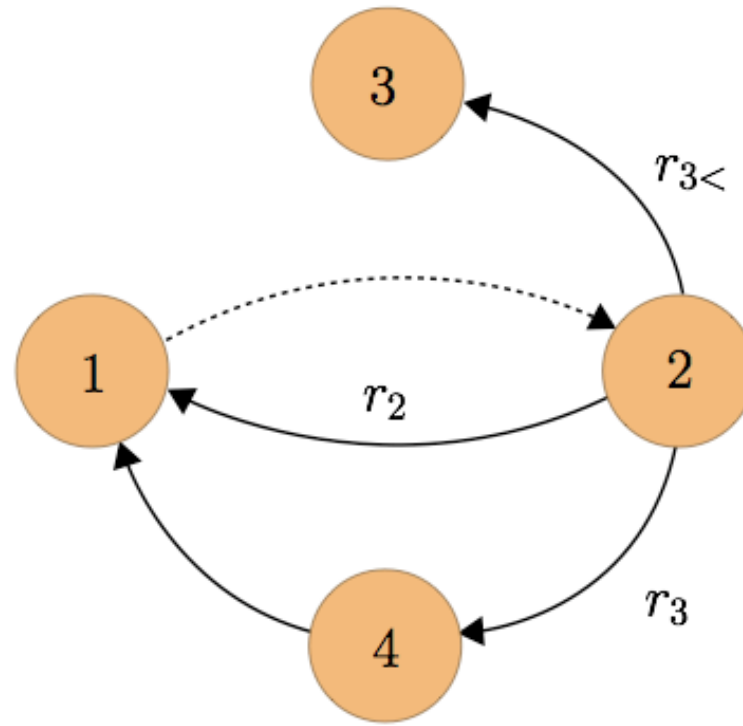


Figure S5: Illustration of the memory model. After performing a jump along the dashed link, a walker can either perform a return step, with probability  $r_2$ , a triangular step, with probability  $r_3$ , or an exploratory step, with probability  $r_{3<}$ .

We model/categorize transitions into 3 classes

# Model for memory networks

Network	$r_2(\%)$	$r_3(\%)$	$r_{3<}(\%)$
Airports	93 (93-93)	2.8 (2.8-2.8)	4.5 (4.5-4.5)
Cities	91 (91-91)	3.2 (3.2-3.2)	5.6 (5.6-5.7)
Journals	67 (67-67)	25 (25-25)	7.6 (7.2-7.6)
Patients	86 (85-90)	10 (7.4-11)	3.4 (2.8-3.5)
Taxis	17 (16-17)	66 (65-66)	17 (17-18)
Emails	89 (88-89)	8.9 (8.4-9.8)	1.9 (1.8-2.2)

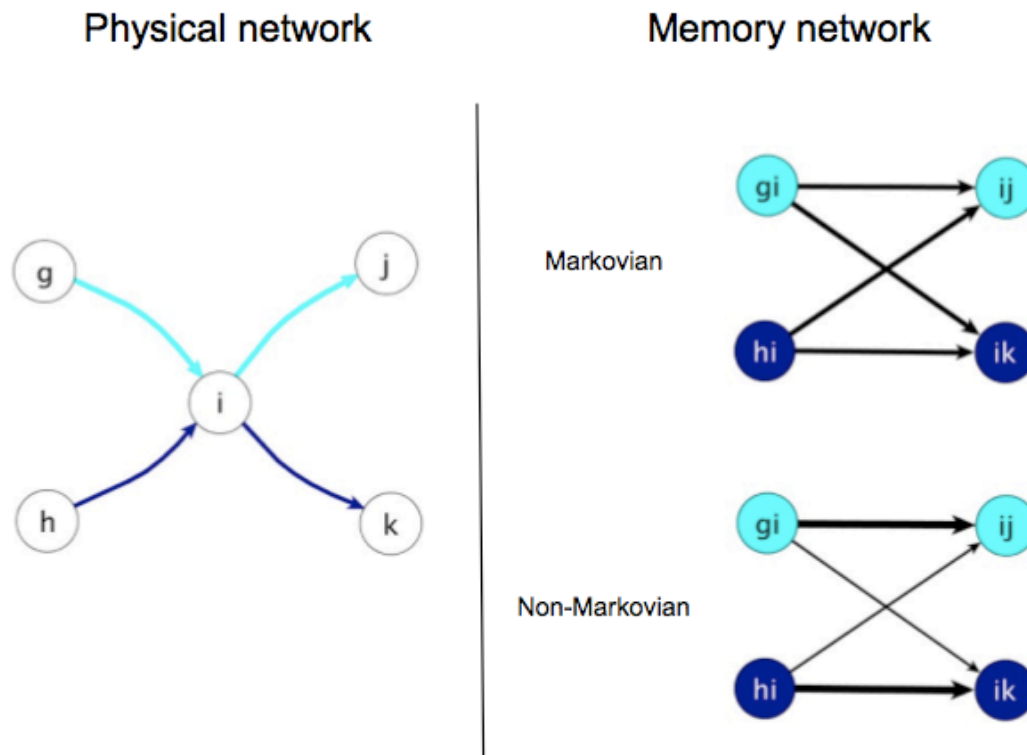
Fitting by minimizing the Kullback–Leibler divergence

# V. Dynamics

# Memory affects mixing time

Second-order Markov: transitions from directed edges to directed edge (memory node)

Memory may induce biases in the transition between memory nodes



# Memory affects mixing time

Random walk on the memory network

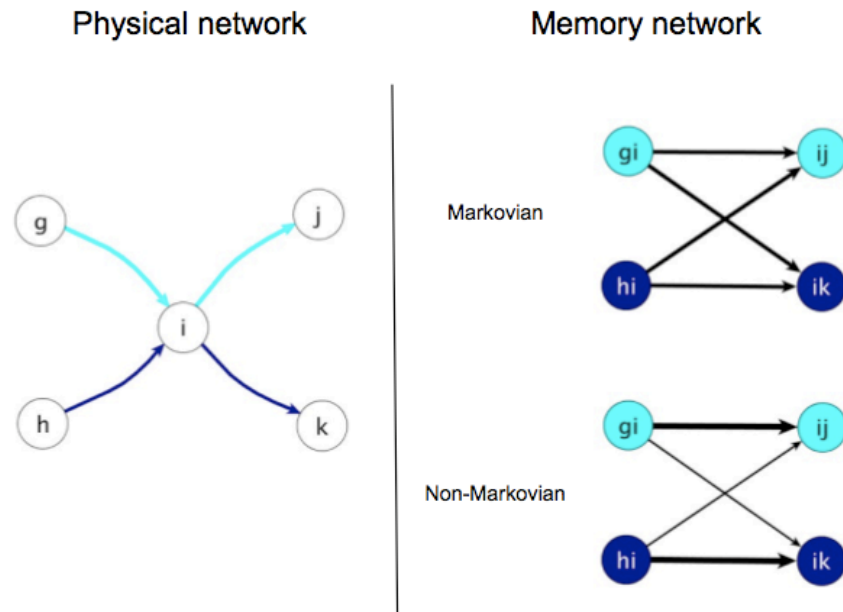
$$P(\beta; t + 1) = \sum_{\alpha} P(\alpha; t) T_{\alpha\beta}$$

If the dynamics is memoryless, uniform transition:

$$T_{\alpha\beta}^M = \begin{cases} 1/k_{\alpha}^{\text{out}} & \text{for } \beta \in \sigma_{\alpha}^{\text{out}}, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases}$$

(Left and right) eigenvectors of the spectral gap associated to the best bi-partition of the network (Fiedler)

$$uT = \lambda_2 u$$



Small deviation to the Markovian case and perturbation analysis:

$$T = T^M + \Delta T$$

# Memory affects mixing time

$$\Delta\lambda_2 = -\frac{\sum_{\alpha\beta} u_{\alpha}^M \Delta T_{\alpha\beta} v_{\beta}^M}{\sum_{\alpha} u_{\alpha}^M v_{\alpha}^M}$$

Interplay between memory and the (dominant) bi-modular structures:

- if memory enhances flows inside communities => slowing down of diffusion
- if memory enhances flows across communities => acceleration of diffusion

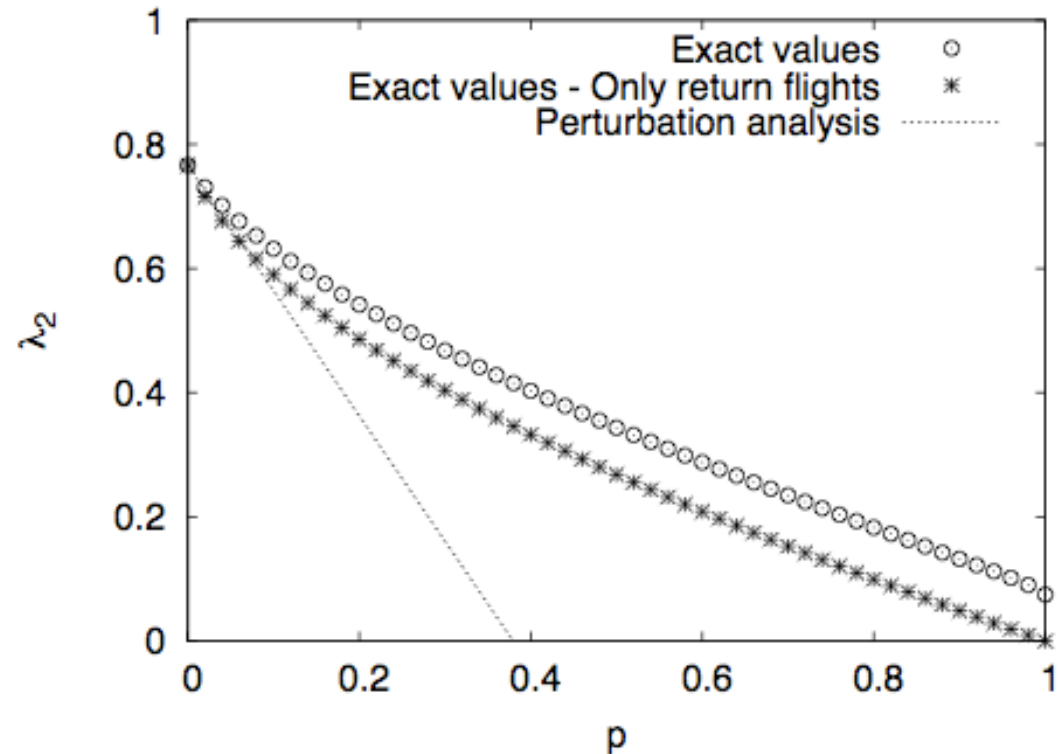
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Random process driven by the tunable transition matrix

$$\mathbf{T}(p) = p\mathbf{T} + (\hat{\mathbf{1}} - p)\mathbf{T}^M$$

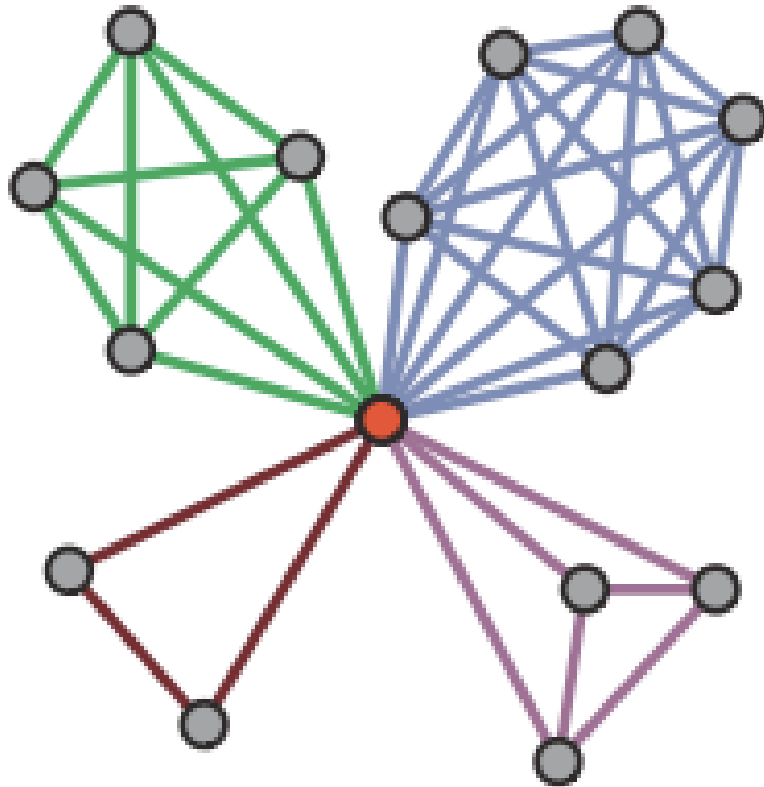
First-order Markov process with probability  $(1-p)$ , and second-order Markov process with probability  $p$ .

This hybrid process models the diffusion of an item, e.g. a virus or a bank note, which travels with passengers and changes owner inside cities with probability  $p$ .



The effective size of the system is multiplied by 10 => the network is topologically small **but dynamically large**.

# Diffusion in Multiplex Networks



Overlapping community structure of social networks

Information spreads differently in different circles



# Diffusion on temporal networks with correlations

Correlations between edge activations lead to non-random pathways, modelled by higher-order Markov processes

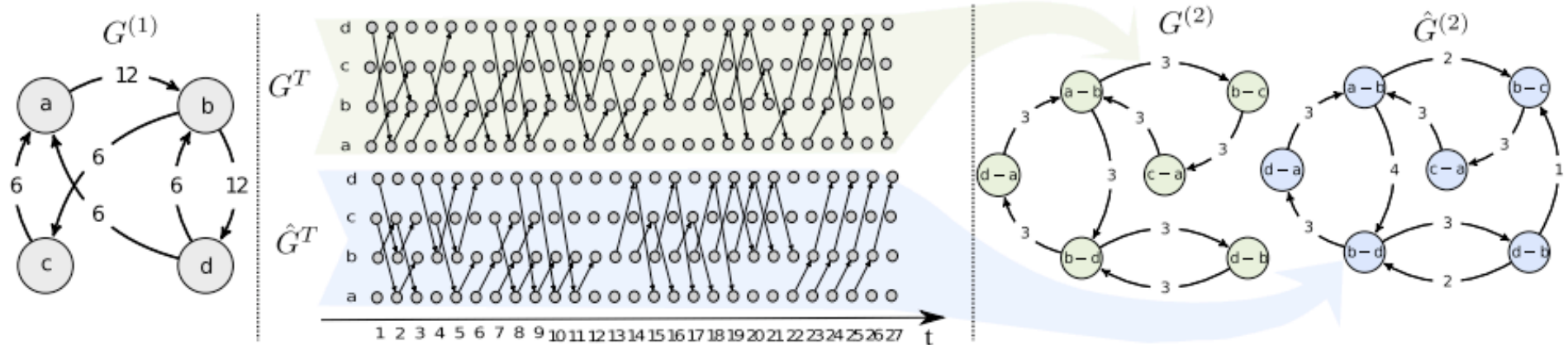


Figure 1: Two temporal networks  $G^T$  (top) and  $\hat{G}^T$  (bottom) giving rise to the same weighted, aggregate network  $G^{(1)}$  (left panel). In the right panel, two second-order aggregate networks  $G^{(2)}$  (left) and  $\hat{G}^{(2)}$  (right) are shown that correspond to the two temporal networks  $G^T$  and  $\hat{G}^T$ . Both second-order aggregate networks are consistent with  $G^{(1)}$ .

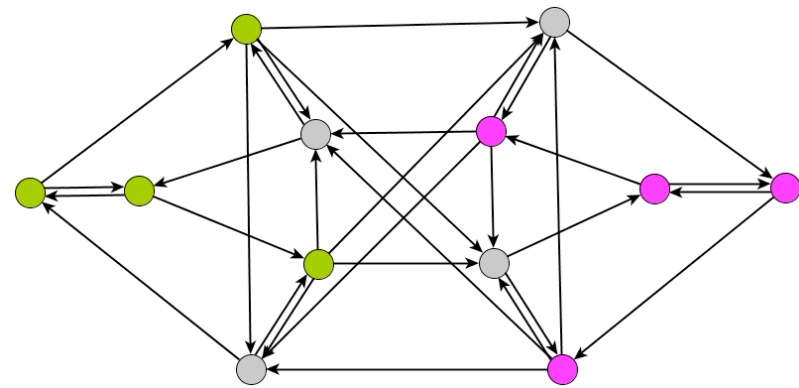
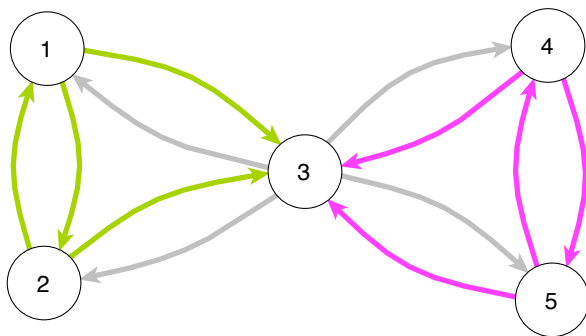
# Toolbox for pathways

In several empirical systems: memory constraints on flow are statistically significant and temporal correlations strongly modify flows of probability.

Memory networks are networks, but

- they are much, much larger => computational complexity
- they have a very different structure => require new tools

First insight on community detection, ranking, spreading, but there is a need for appropriate visualisation, statistical and algorithmic tools.



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