

COMP4650 Doc Analysis

# Social Media Analysis (1 of 4)

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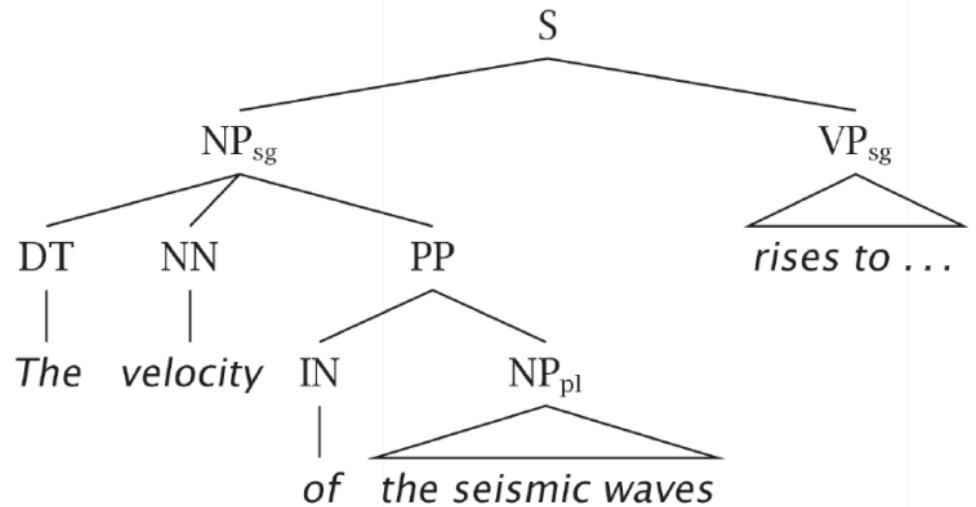
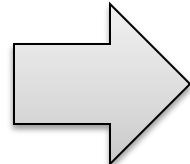
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# Networks ... of Documents

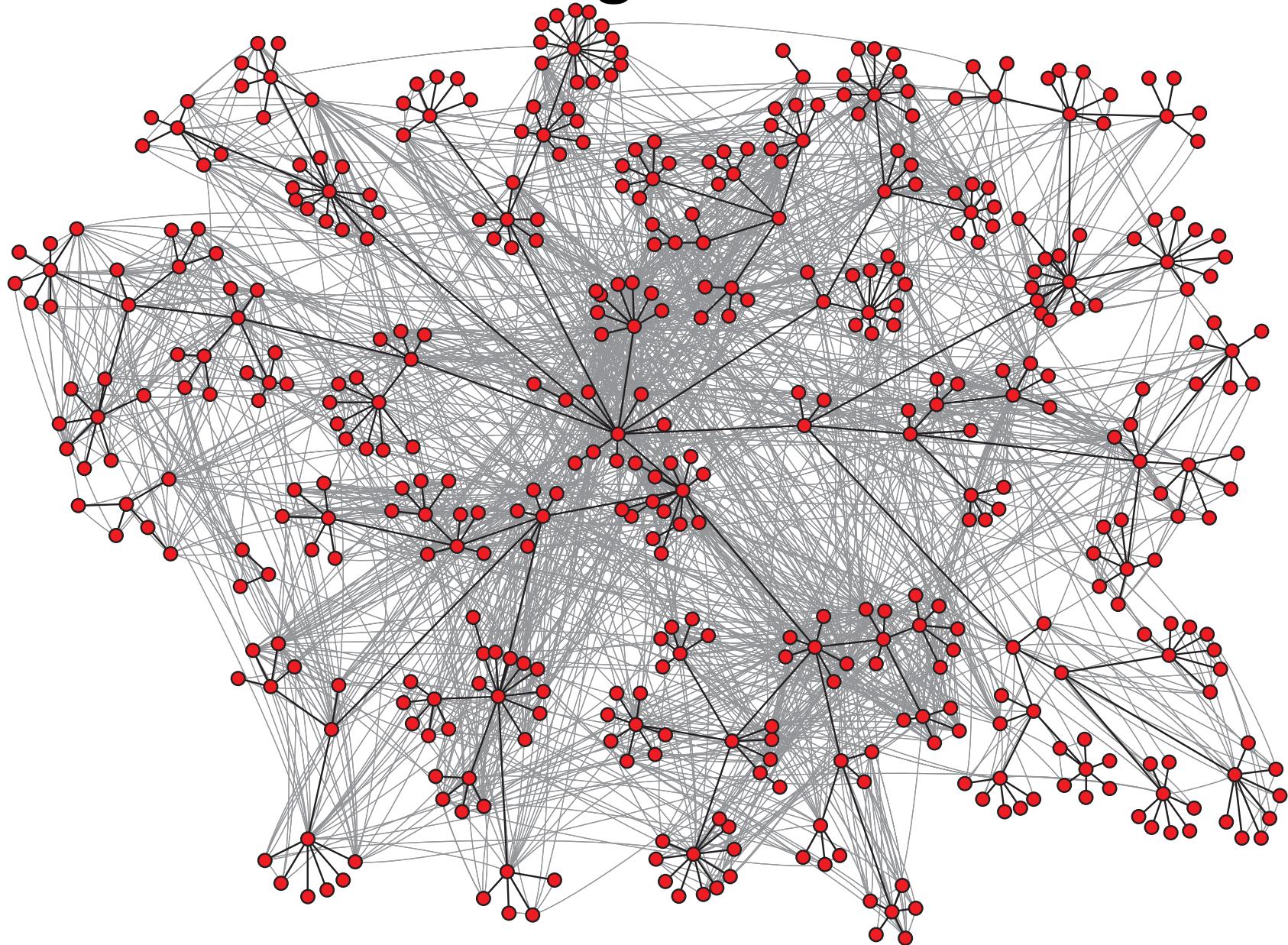
- The rest of this class covers
  - Extracting document elements: nouns/verbs, subjects/object, web page structure ...
  - Labelling and matching documents: IR, document classification, clustering ...
- What if we look at ...
  - Documents and their relations to each other?
  - Document elements and their relations to each other?
  - People and their relations to each other

# Earlier in This Course ...

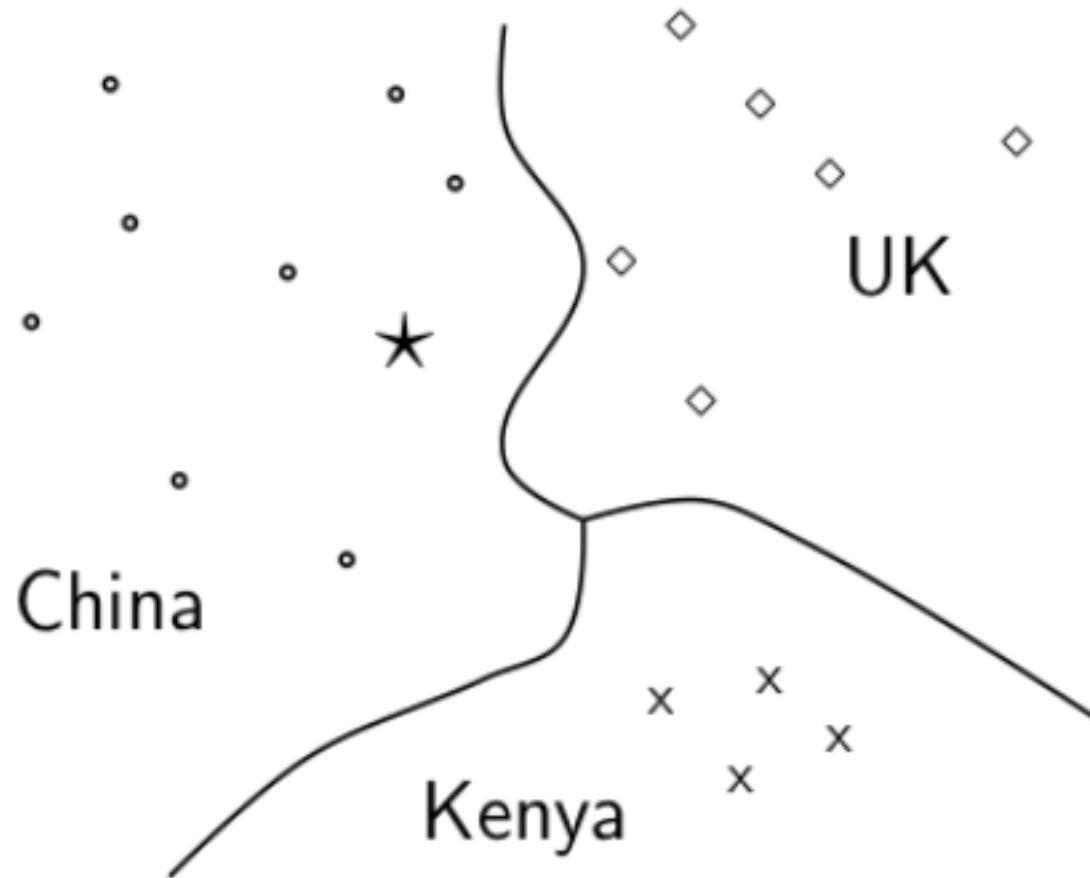
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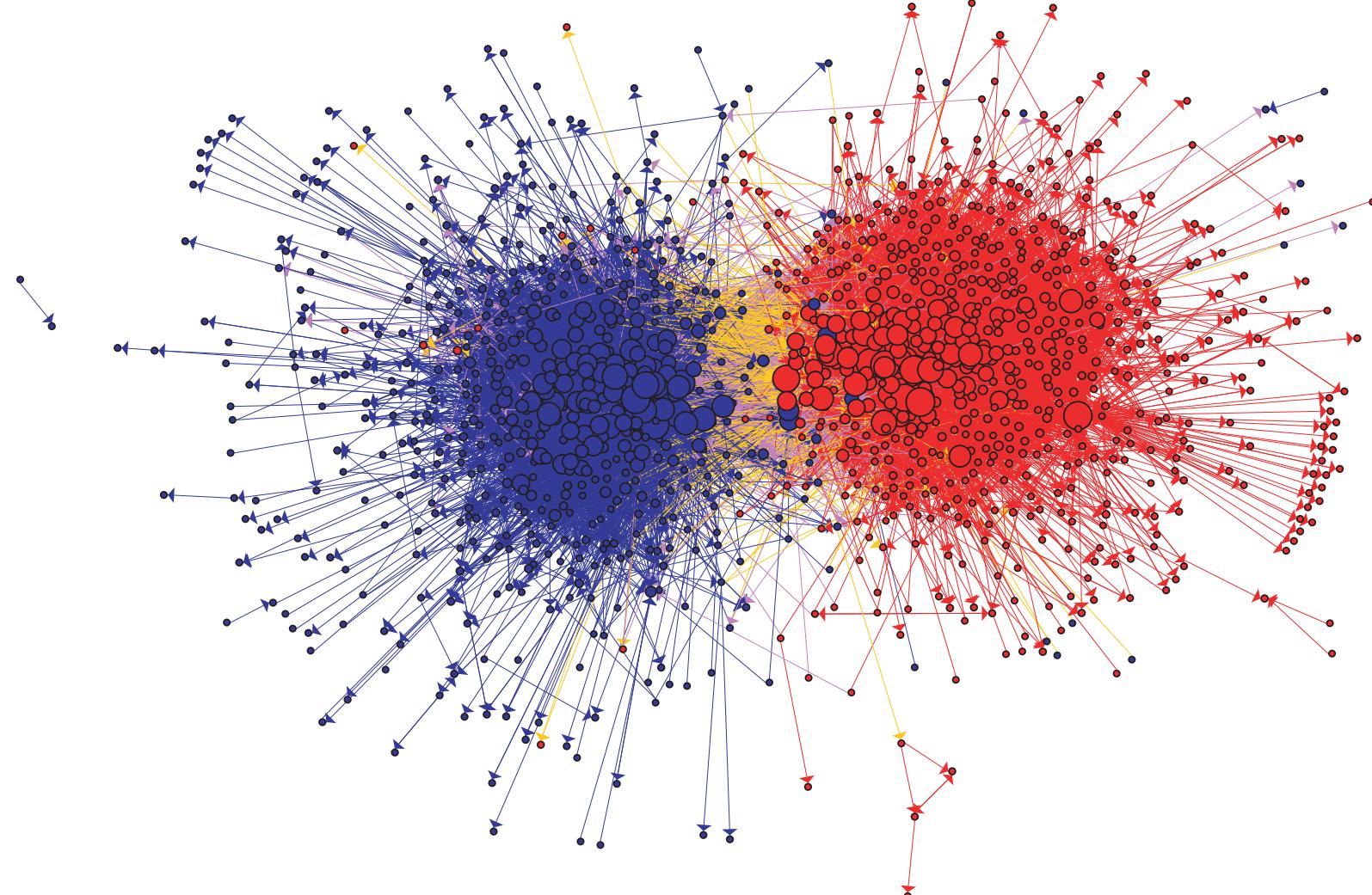
# Networks: An organization - HP Labs



# Earlier in this Course: classifying documents



# Political blogs



Lada A. Adamic and Natalie Glance. 2005. The political blogosphere and the 2004 U.S. election: divided they blog. In Proceedings of the 3rd international workshop on Link discovery (LinkKDD '05)

by Lada Adamic, U Michigan

# A View of Facebook via 10 M links



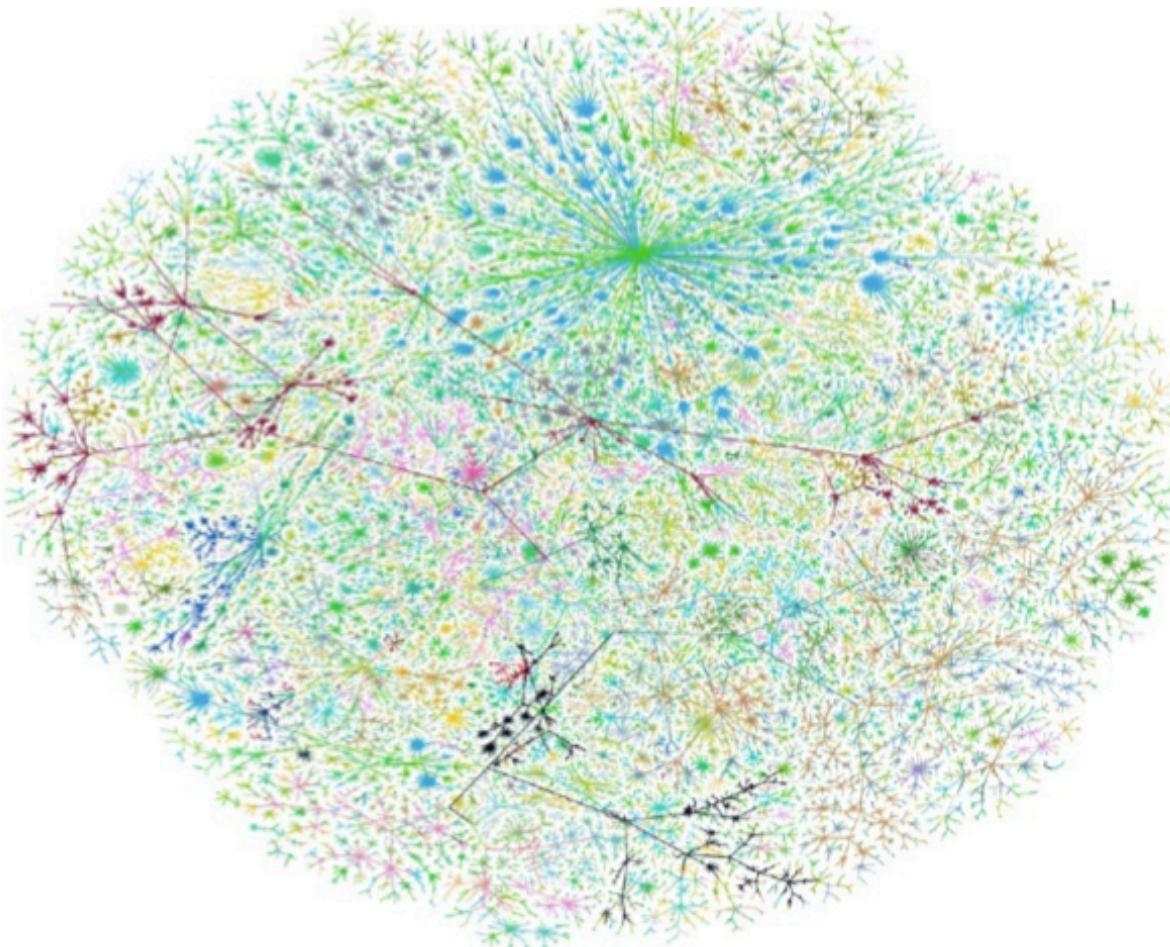
By Paul Butler, [https://www.facebook.com/note.php?note\\_id=469716398919](https://www.facebook.com/note.php?note_id=469716398919)

# Why Networks?

- Behind each of these complex systems there is an intricate wiring diagram, **a network** that defines the interactions between system components.

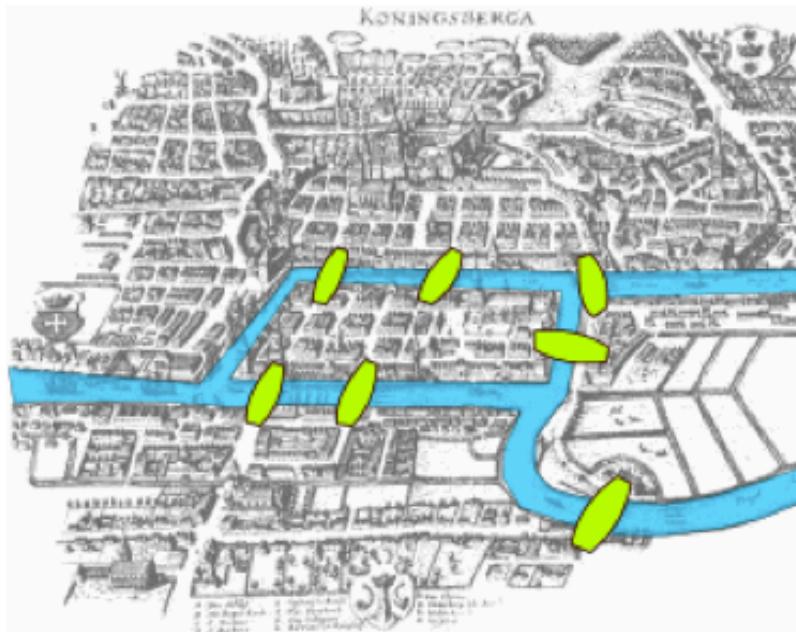
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# Networks: Communications



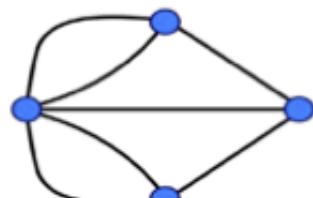
**Graph of the Internet  
(Autonomous Systems)**

# Networks: Transportation



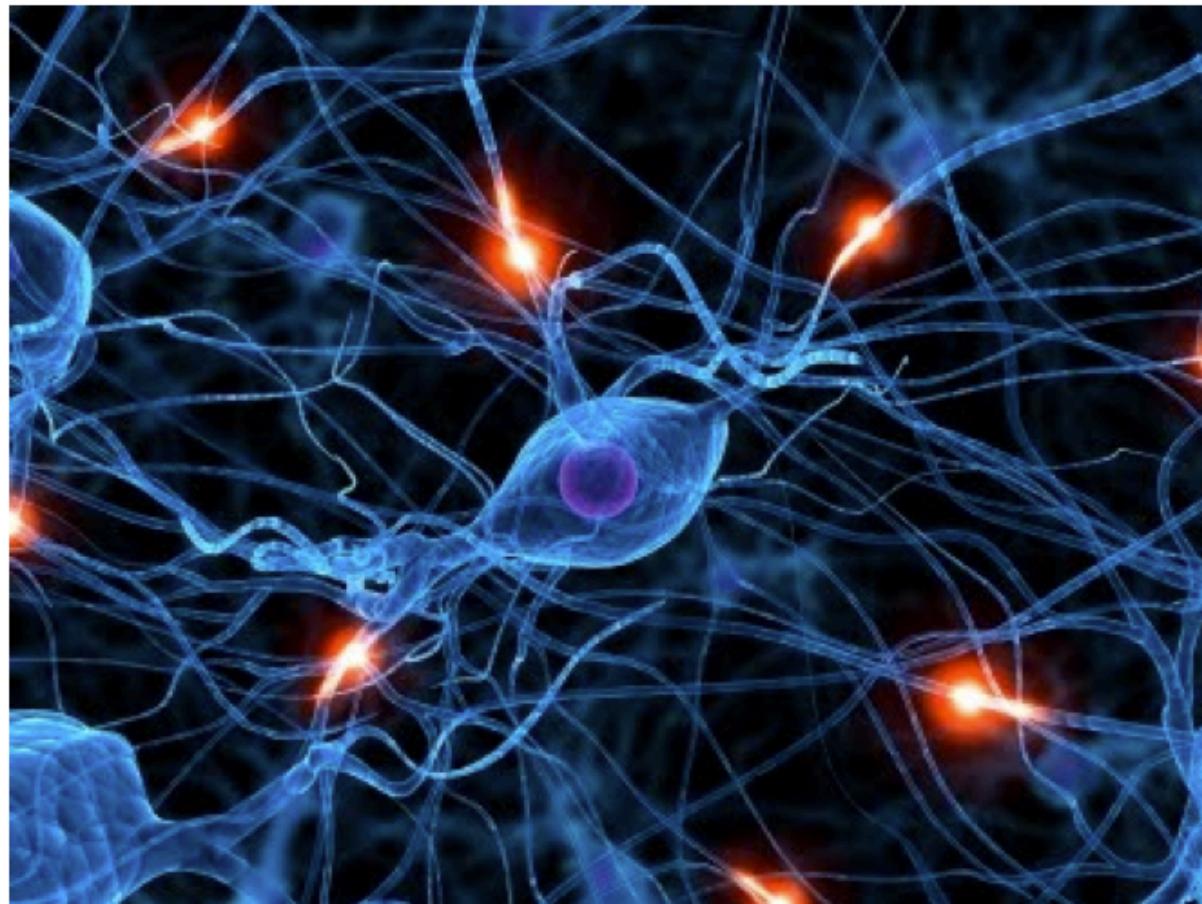
**Seven Bridges of Königsberg**  
**(Euler 1735)**

Return to the starting point by traveling each link of the graph once and only once.



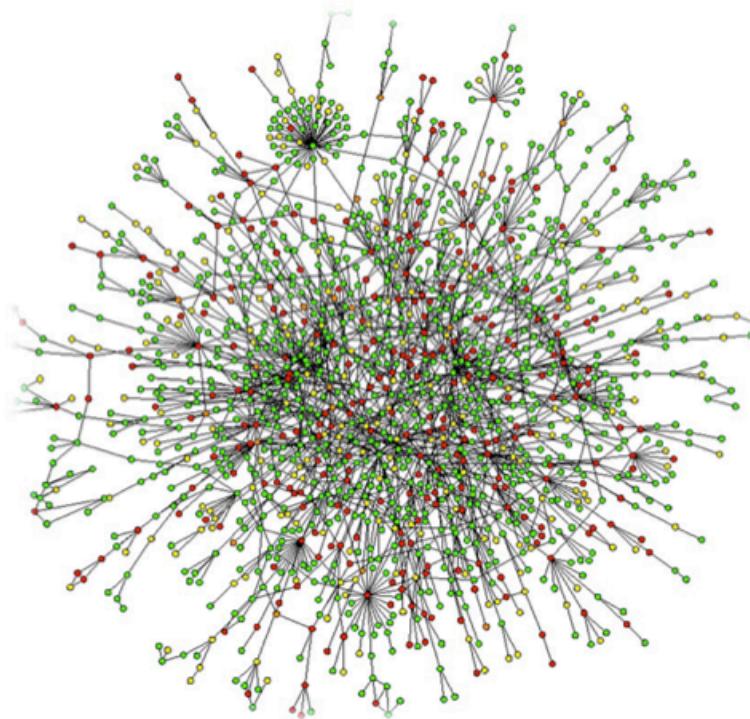
**London Underground**

# Networks: Brain

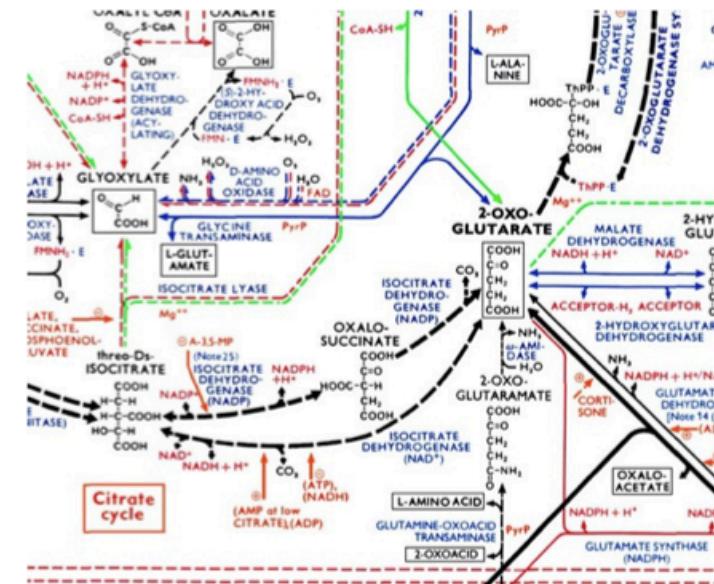


**Human brain has between  
10-100 billion neurons**

# Networks: Cells

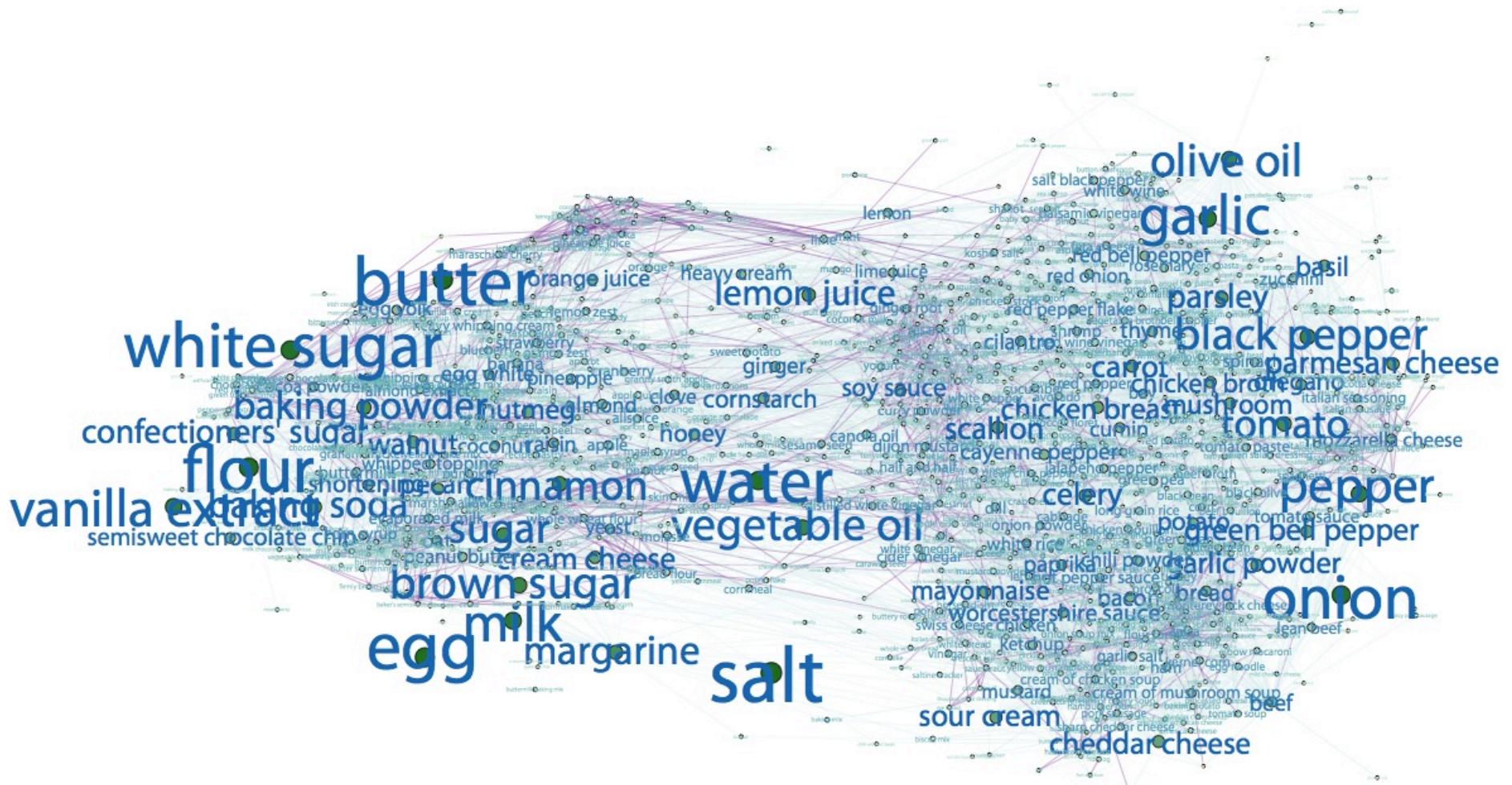


**Protein-Protein Interaction Networks:**  
Nodes: Proteins  
Edges: 'physical' interactions



**Metabolic networks:**  
Nodes: Metabolites and enzymes  
Edges: Chemical reactions

# Ingredient networks



Recipe recommendation using ingredient networks. Chun-Yuen Teng, Yu-Ru Lin, Lada A. Adamic, WebSci 2011.

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# Application domains in network analysis

This class

- Social (people-people) networks
- Information networks
- Organization and political networks
- Computer networking
- Biology
- Transportation networks



# CSS: Computational challenges

This class

- Machine Learning and applied statistics:  
Predictive modeling, models for network structure,  
models for dynamic events, optimization ✓
- Natural Language Processing:  
linguistic styles and variations, document similarity,  
information retrieval ✓
- Visual analytics, visualization ✓
- Computer systems: scalability, reliability,  
programming languages and tools ✗
- ...



## Visualizing Friendships

by Paul Butler for Facebook Engineering (Notes) on Tuesday, December 14, 2010 at 10:16am 

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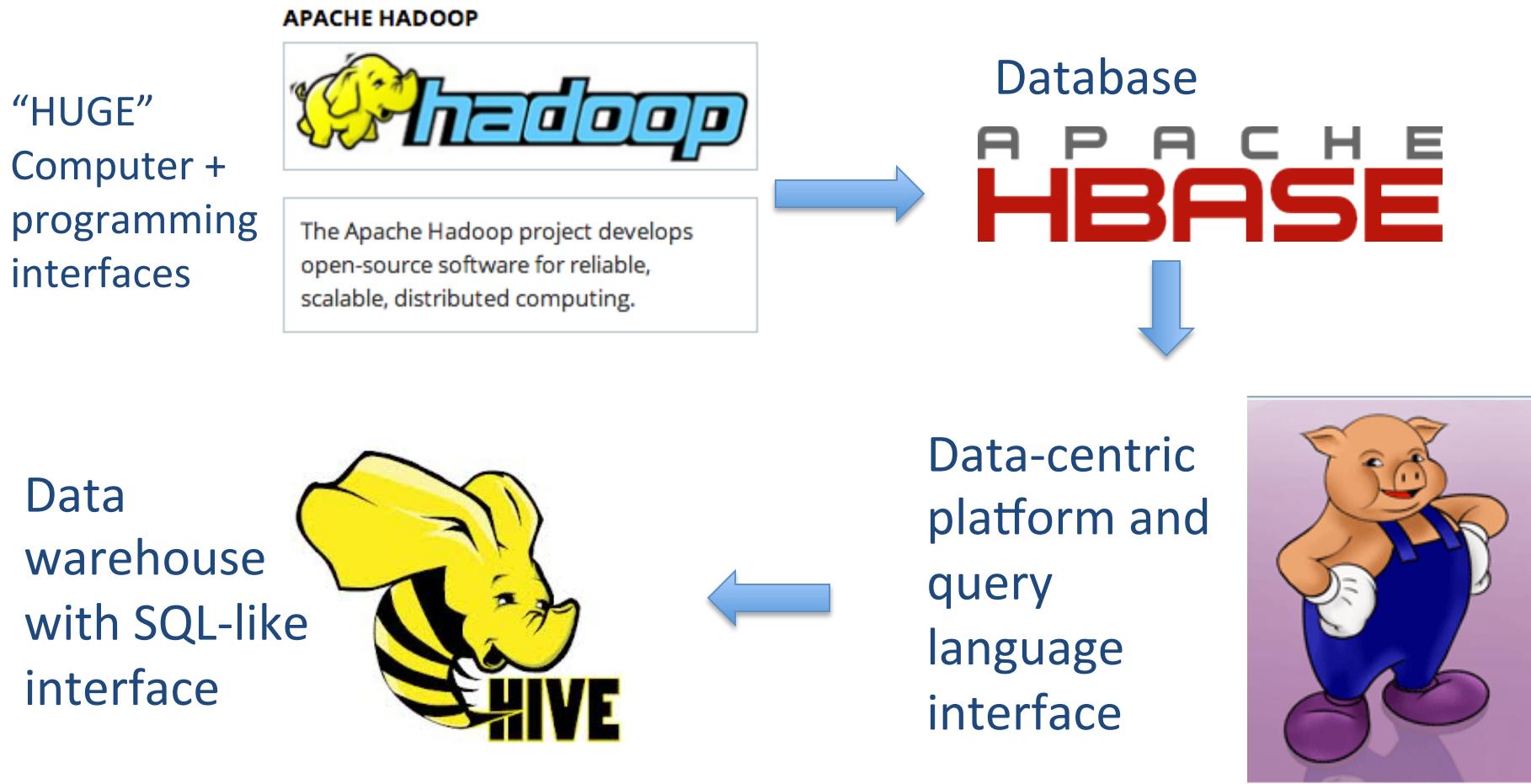
Visualizing data is like photography. Instead of starting with a blank canvas, you manipulate the lens used to present the data from a certain angle.



1. Sample 10 million links from Hive
2. Get city/lat/lon for each node
3. Compute connection strength between cities
4. Render links among city pairs in R
5. Tweak rendering and path drawing until satisfactory

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# Storing and Manipulating 500M Links



[http://developer.yahoo.com/blogs/hadoop/posts/2010/08/pig\\_and\\_hive\\_at\\_yahoo/](http://developer.yahoo.com/blogs/hadoop/posts/2010/08/pig_and_hive_at_yahoo/)

# Why Social Computing?

- \* The next generation could be the one with access to an unprecedented amount of **behavioral** data
- \* This can solve **real** problems
  - ... not just finding a movie or a restaurant
    - ensuring energy efficiency
    - monitoring our environment
    - reduce inequality
    - informing social decision



# Why should you learn about it? #1

- \* These concepts matter to the **companies** that you want a job from (including your startup!)
  - Social information is becoming the web's hottest commodity (Google, Facebook, IBM, Telcos, Media)
  - Users's data are company's key differentiating factor
- \* You (not me) are the **social media generation!**
  - The game is just starting; it gets harder
  - CS deals with “complexity” deeply and elegantly
  - learning foundational concepts adds to your assets

# Why should you learn about it? #2

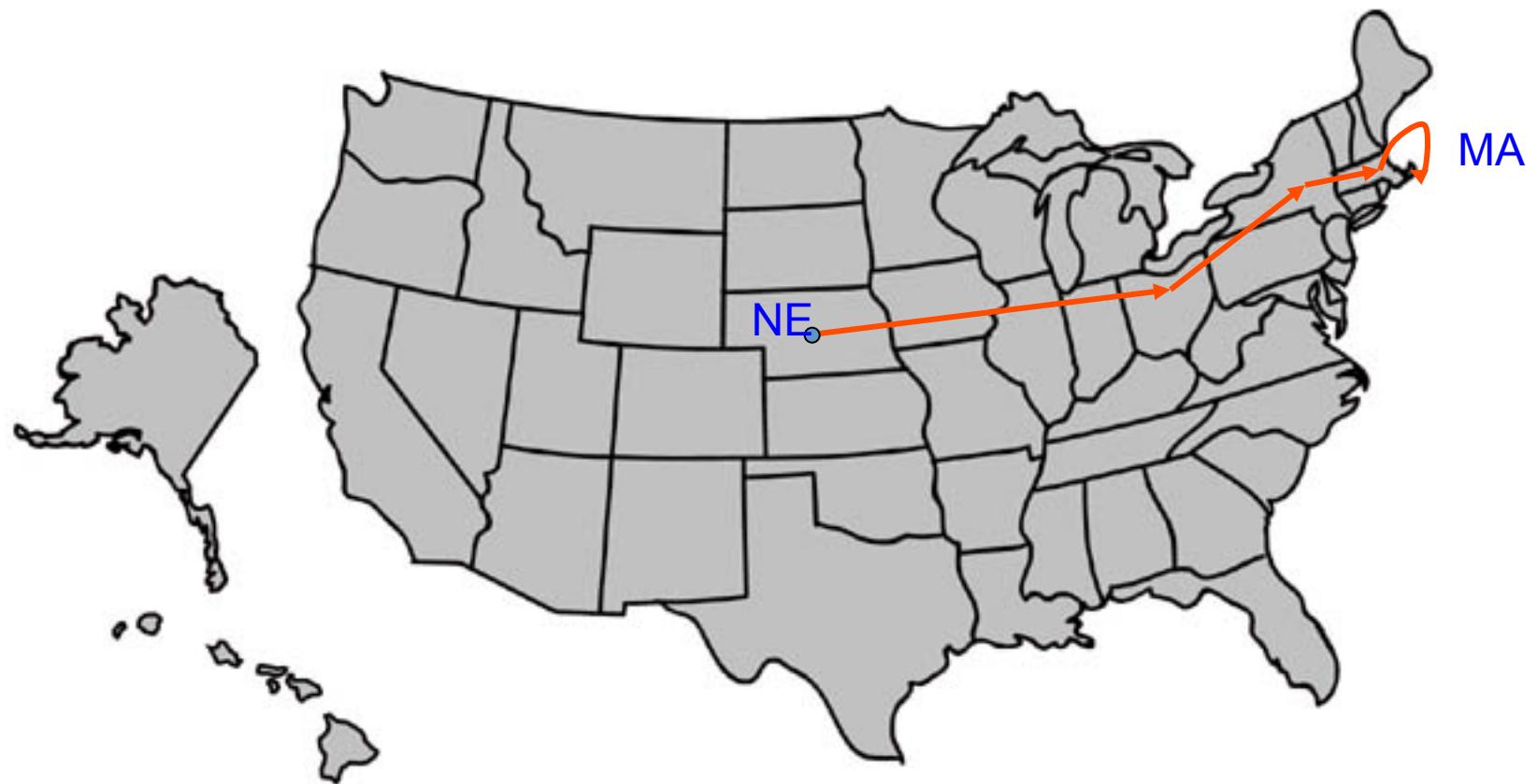
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- \* This topic is **fertile for research**, here and at large
  - Big data is everywhere, especially in public-funding
  - Many of these data are networks connecting people
- Many opportunities in/around ANU
  - Big data research theme at CS
  - Machine learning group at NICTA
  - Master degree with Network Science concentration at CASS
  - Overall, great topic to look for an academic job!

What are the classic, solve, and open questions in CSS?

## **PROBLEMS IN SOCIAL NETWORK**

# Small-world phenomena: Milgram's Experiment



[http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Small\\_world\\_experiment](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Small_world_experiment)

1967 -- 1969

# Milgram's experiment

## Instructions:

Given a target individual (stockbroker in Boston), pass the message to a person you correspond with who is “closest” to the target.

## Outcome:

**20% of initiated chains reached target**  
**average chain length = 6.5**

- “Six degrees of separation”

# Milgram's experiment repeated

email experiment  
Dodds, Muhamad, Watts,  
Science 301, (2003)  
(optional reading)

- 18 targets
- 13 different countries
- 60,000+ participants
- 24,163 message chains
- 384 reached their targets
- average path length 4.0



Source: NASA, U.S. Government; [http://visibleearth.nasa.gov/view\\_rec.php?id=2429](http://visibleearth.nasa.gov/view_rec.php?id=2429)

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■ Is 6 is a *surprising* number?

In the 1960s? Today? Why?

What is the mechanism behind “small-world” networks?

# Link prediction

“Given a snapshot of a social network, can we infer which new interactions among its members are likely to occur in the near future? ”

What are the measurements?

-- “proximity” and “similarity” between two unconnected nodes

What are application domains?

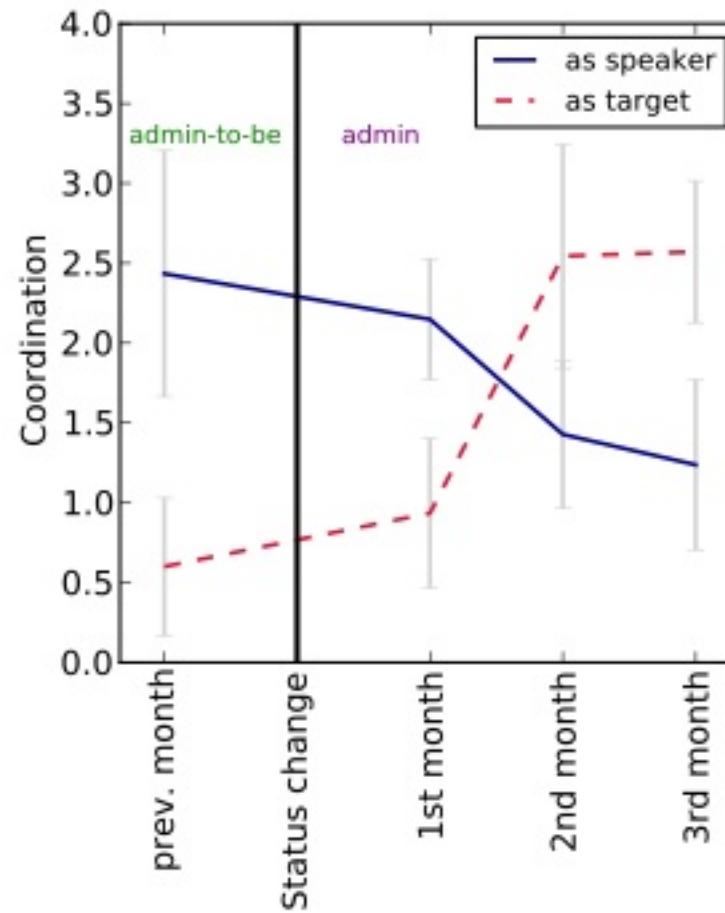
-- social networks, friend recommendation; product / webpage recommendation; predicting academic collaborations; predicting merger and acquisitions ...

How to measure performance?

-- use future held-out data, conversion rate, ...

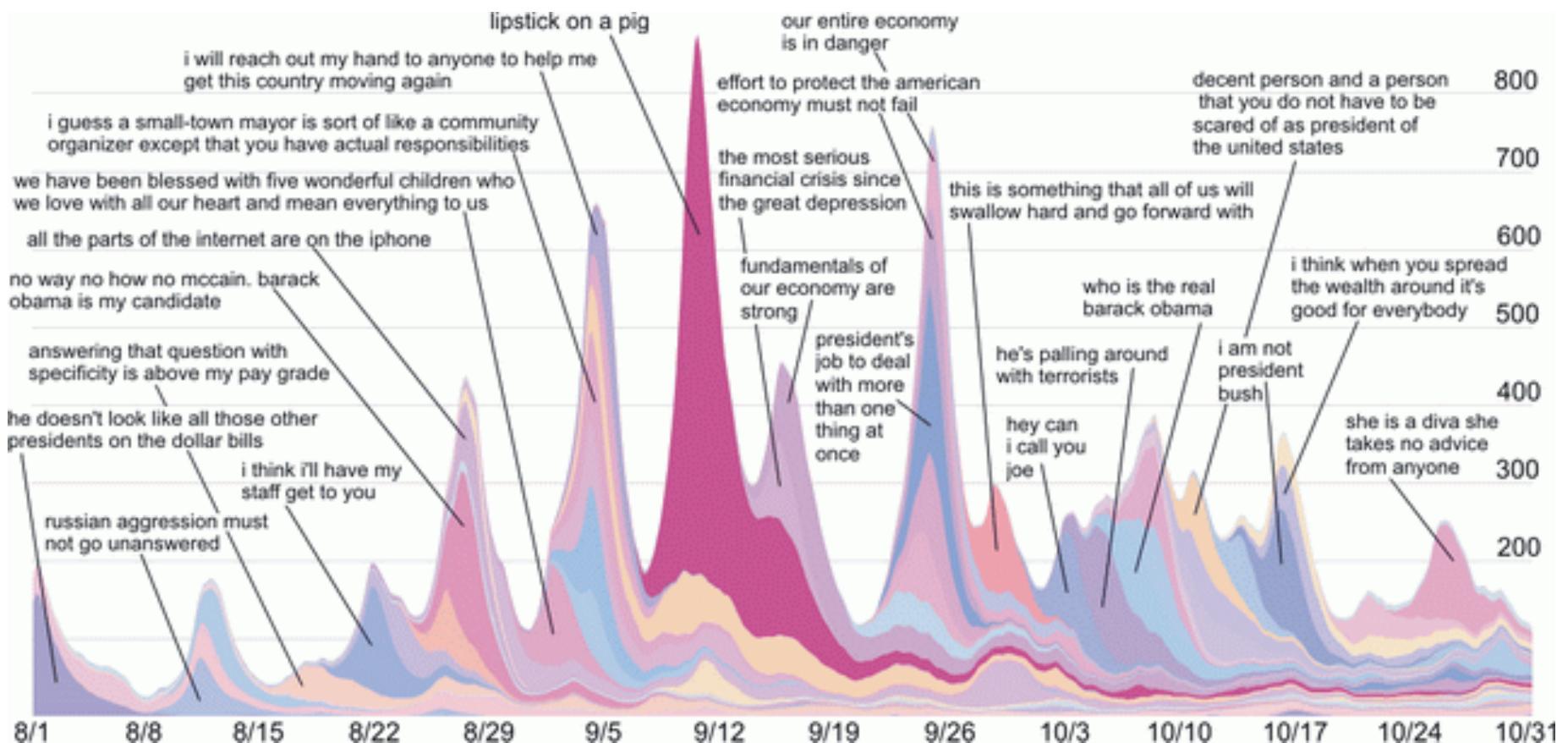
Liben-Nowell, D. and Kleinberg, J. The link-prediction problem for social networks. *Journal of the American Society for Information Science and Technology*, 58(7) 1019{1031 (2007)

# Language Use in Social Media



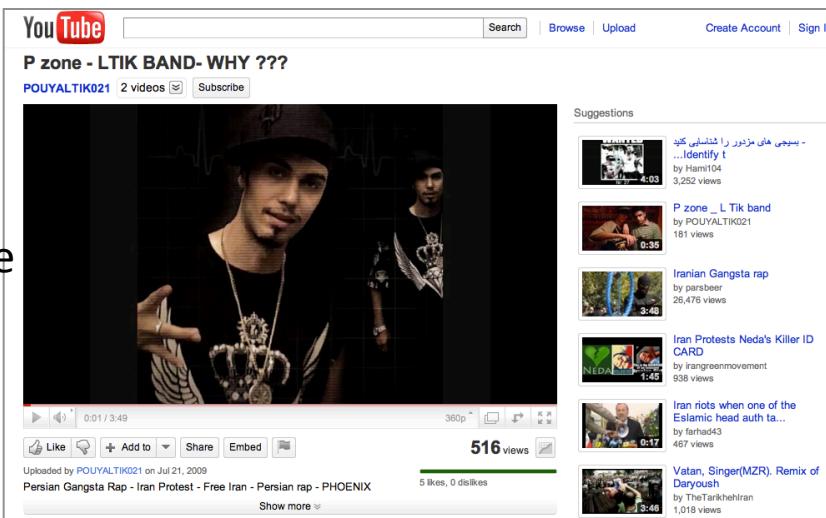
Echoes of power: Language effects and power differences in social interaction  
Cristian Danescu-Niculescu-Mizil, Lillian Lee, Bo Pang and Jon Kleinberg.  
Proceedings of WWW, 2012.

# Tracking Memes



# Remixing on YouTube – “Iran” topic

Video A



Video B

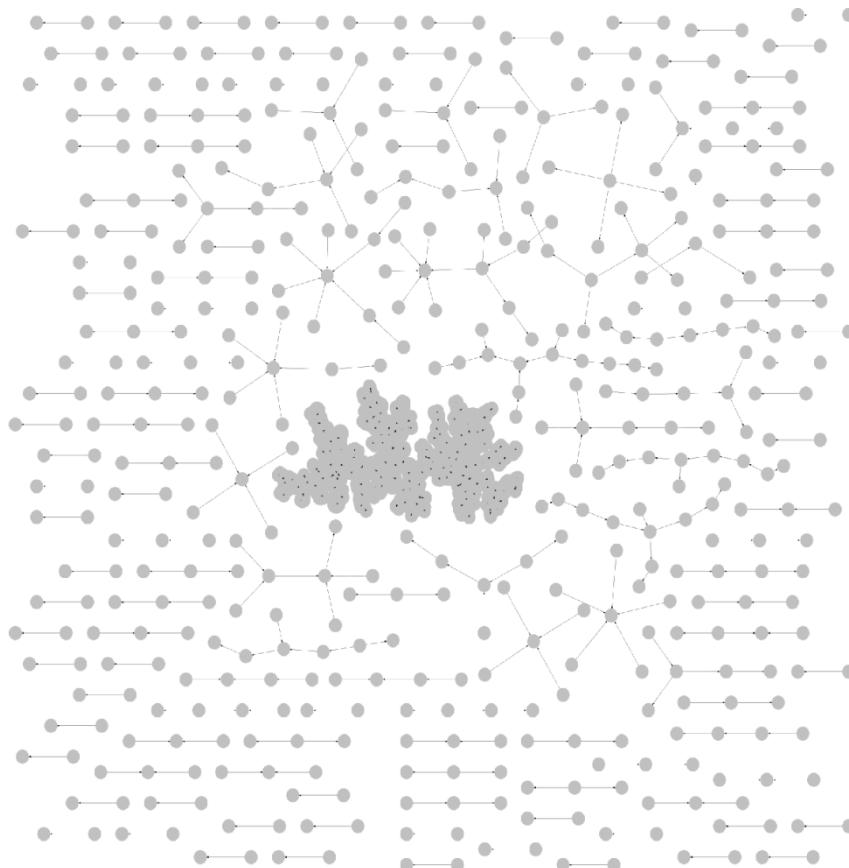


Meme  
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examples

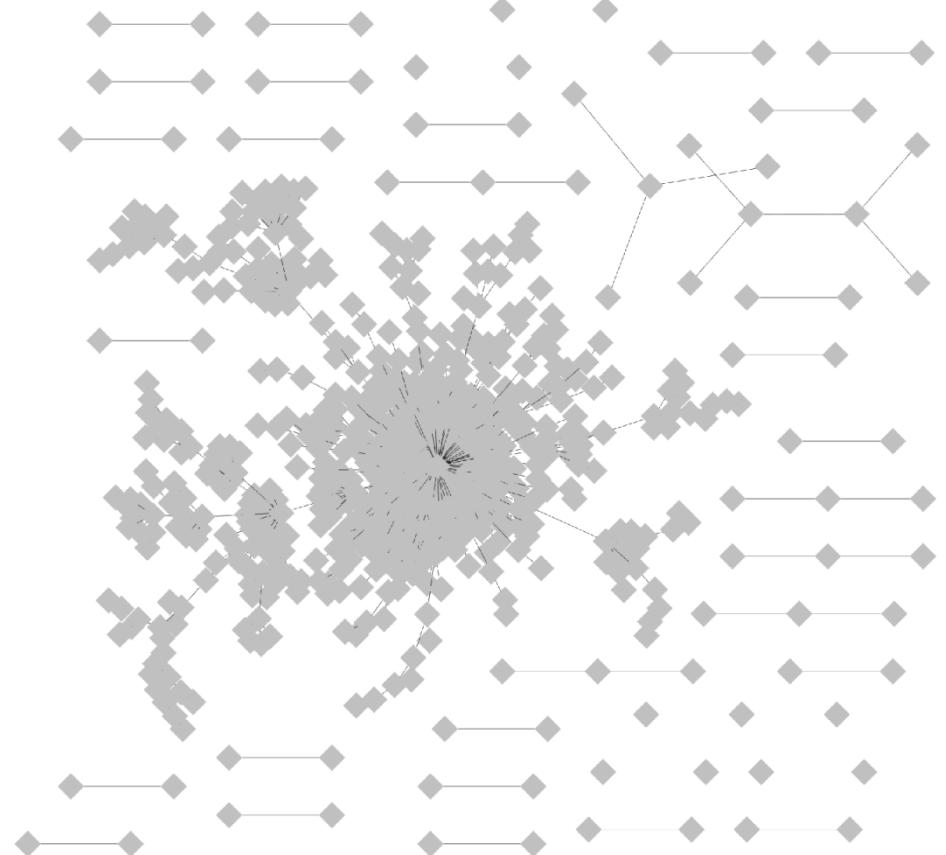


# YouTube Remix Network

Video graph



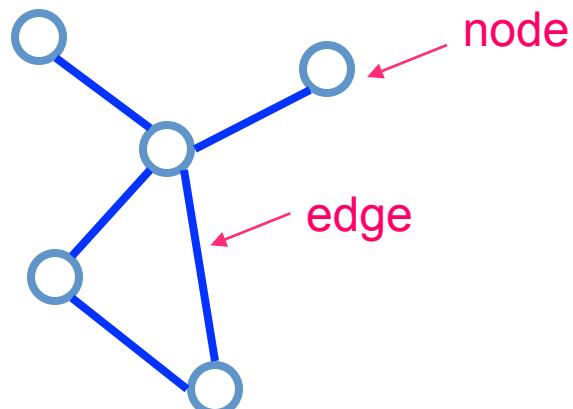
Author graph



Visual Memes in Social Media: Tracking Real-world News in YouTube Videos (2011), Lexing Xie, Apostol Natsev, Matthew Hill, John Kender, John R Smith, ACM Multimedia 2011, Scottsdale, AZ, USA, Nov 2011

# What are networks?

- Networks are sets of nodes connected by edges.



“Network”  $\equiv$  “Graph”

points	lines	
vertices	edges, arcs	math
nodes	links	computer science
sites	bonds	physics
actors	ties, relations	sociology

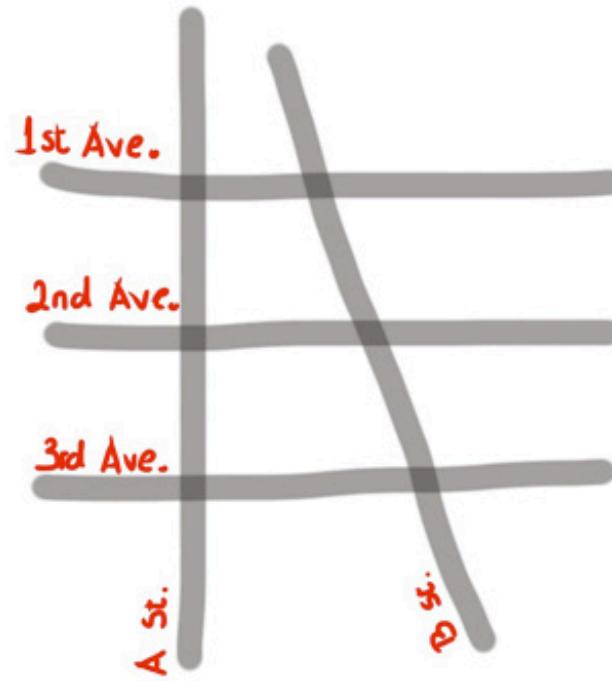
The attached image shows 5 streets (A and B streets, and 1st, 2nd, and 3rd Avenue). How can a network be constructed from these streets?

(Check all that apply)

- Roads (A St., B St., 1st Ave, ...) are nodes and an edge is drawn between every pair of roads that intersect.

- Intersections are nodes (e.g. A St. and 1st Ave, B St. and 2nd Ave), and an edge is drawn between any two intersections that are directly connected by a segment of street with no intervening intersections.

- Street blocks are nodes (e.g. the block between A and B, and 2nd and 3rd), and blocks that are adjacent (i.e. across the street from each other) have edges.



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# Network elements: edges

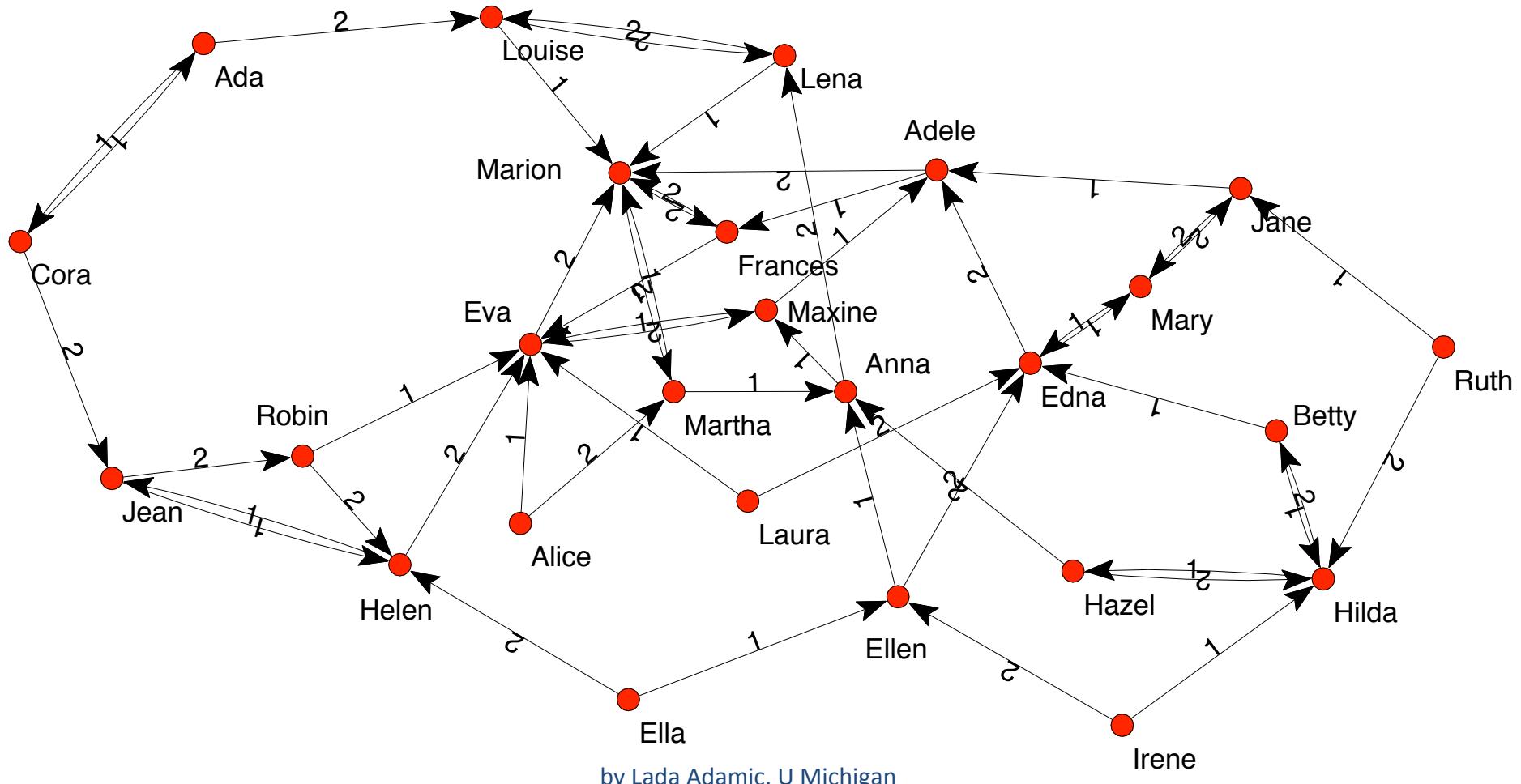
- Directed (also called arcs, links)
  - $A \rightarrow B$ 
    - A likes B, A gave a gift to B, A is B's child
- Undirected
  - $A \leftrightarrow B$  or  $A - B$ 
    - A and B like each other
    - A and B are siblings
    - A and B are co-authors

# Edge attributes

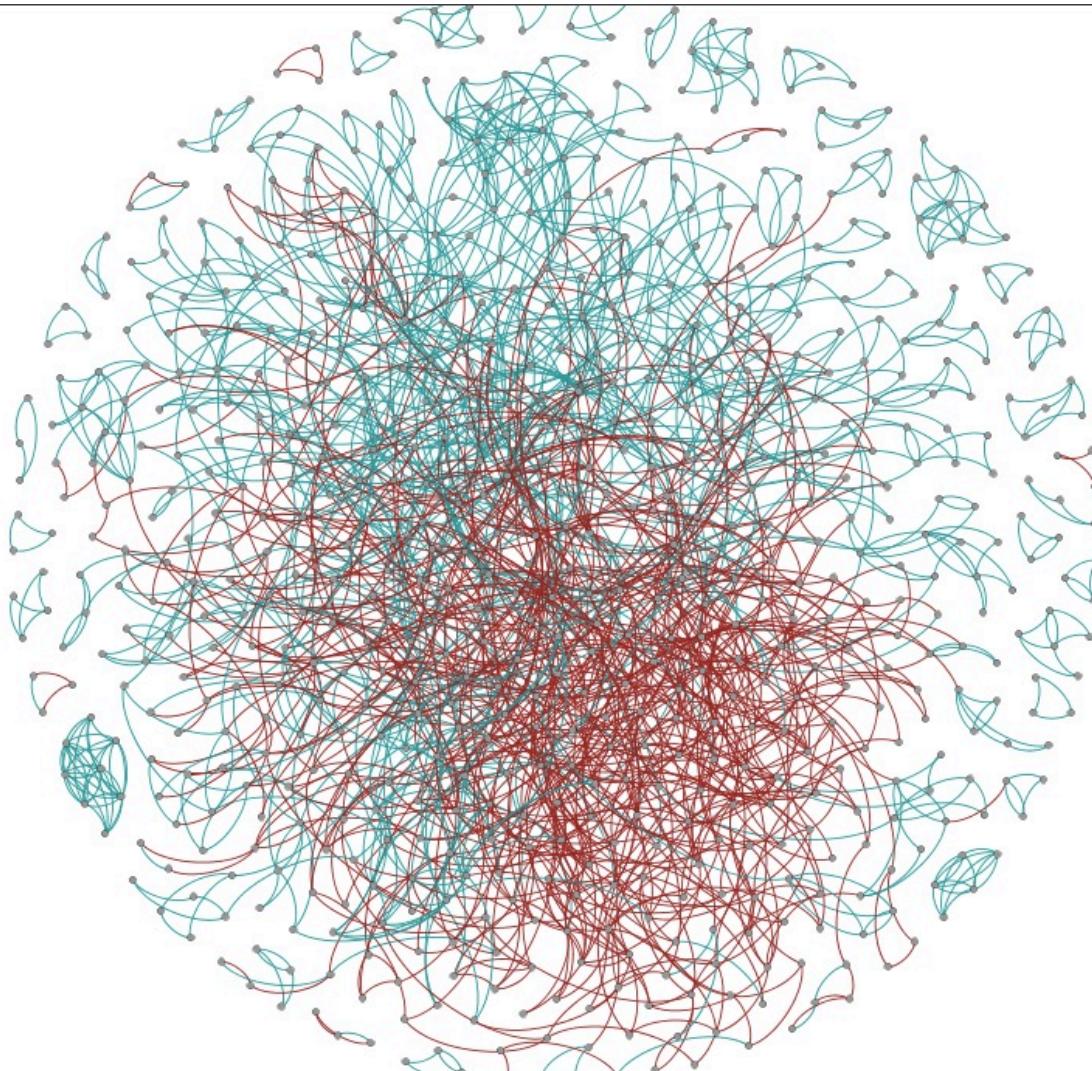
- Examples
  - weight (e.g. frequency of communication)
  - ranking (best friend, second best friend...)
  - type (friend, relative, co-worker)
  - properties depending on the structure of the rest of the graph: e.g. betweenness

# Directed networks

- girls' school dormitory dining-table partners, 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> choices  
(Moreno, *The sociometry reader*, 1960)



# Positive and negative weights



- e.g. one person trusting/distrusting another
  - Research challenge: How does one ‘propagate’ negative feelings in a social network? Is my enemy’s enemy my friend?

*sample of positive & negative ratings from Epinions network*  
by Lada Adamic, U Michigan

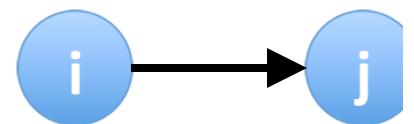
# Data representation

- adjacency matrix
- edgelist
- adjacency list

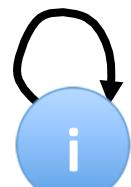
# Adjacency matrices

- Representing edges (who is adjacent to whom) as a matrix

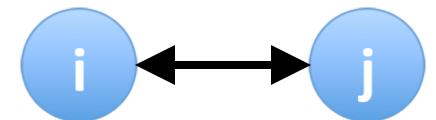
- $A_{ij} = 1$  if node  $i$  has an edge to node  $j$   
 $= 0$  if node  $i$  does not have an edge to  $j$



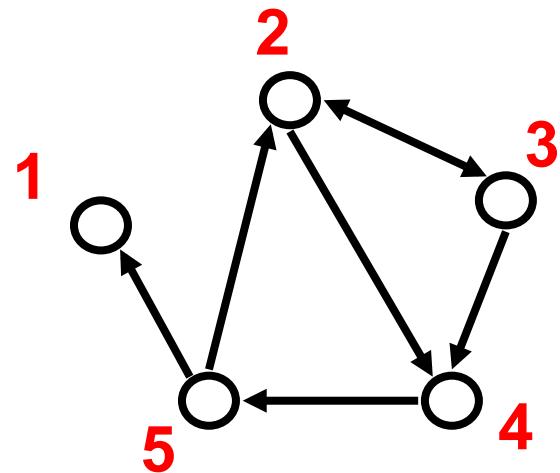
- $A_{ii} = 0$  unless the network has self-loops



- $A_{ij} = A_{ji}$  if the network is undirected,  
or if  $i$  and  $j$  share a reciprocated edge



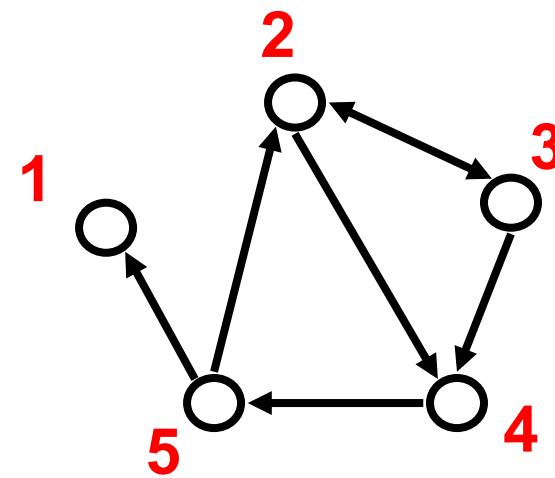
# Example adjacency matrix



$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

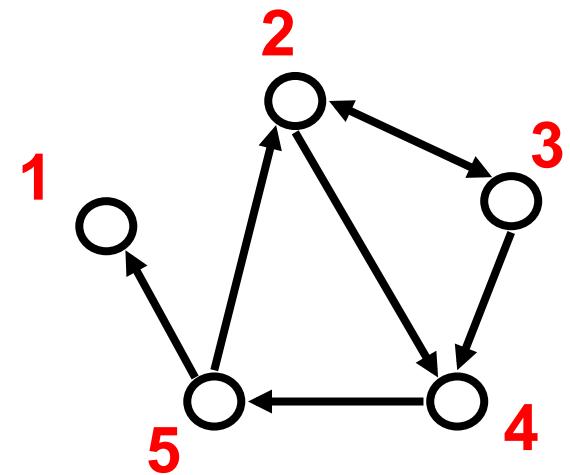
# Edge list

- Edge list
  - 2, 3
  - 2, 4
  - 3, 2
  - 3, 4
  - 4, 5
  - 5, 2
  - 5, 1

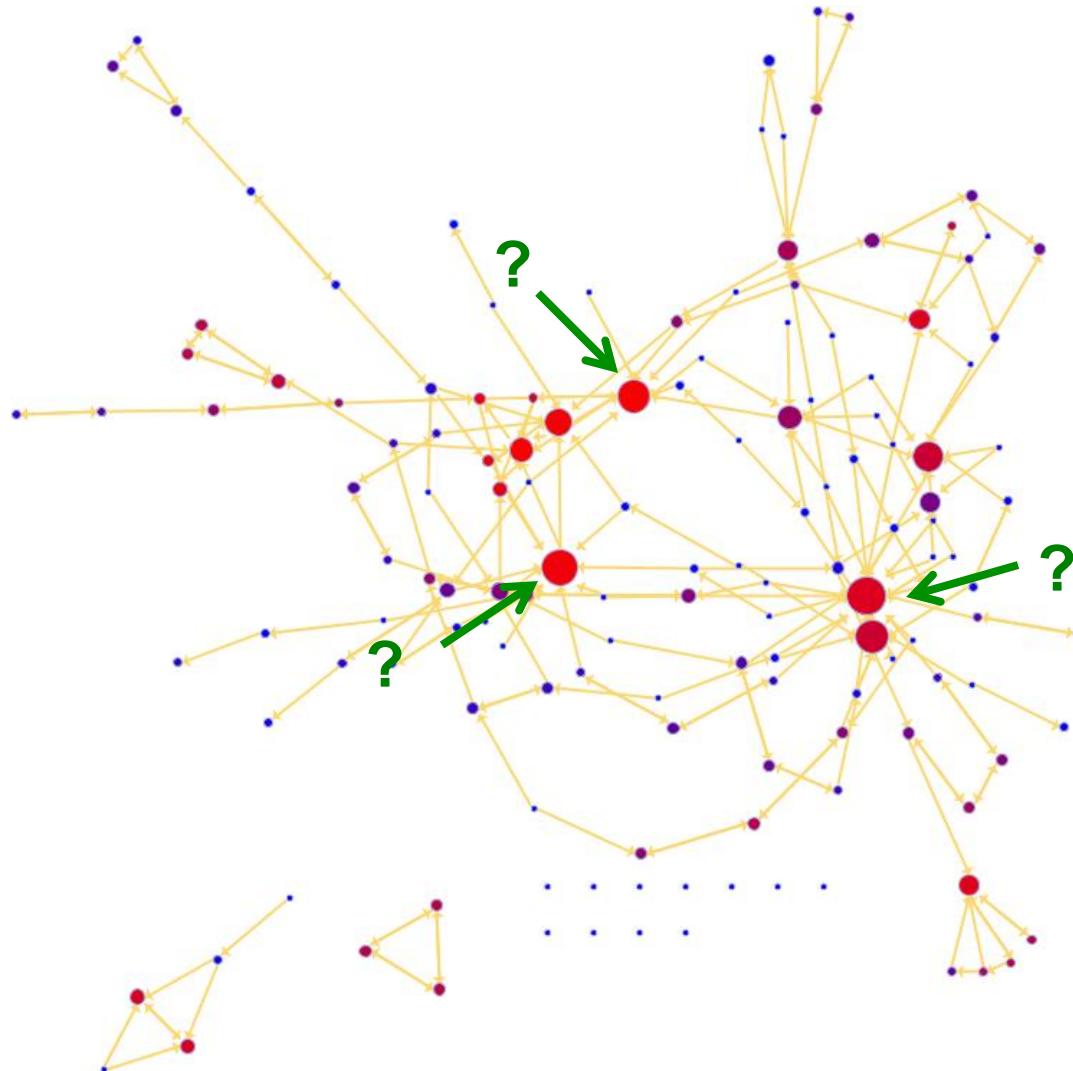


# Adjacency lists

- Adjacency list
  - is easier to work with if network is
    - large
    - sparse
  - quickly retrieve all neighbors for a node
    - 1: 5
    - 2: 3 4
    - 3: 2 4
    - 4: 5
    - 5: 1 2



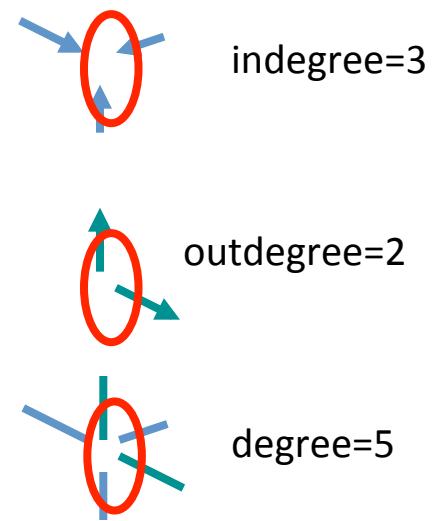
# Degree: which node has the most edges?

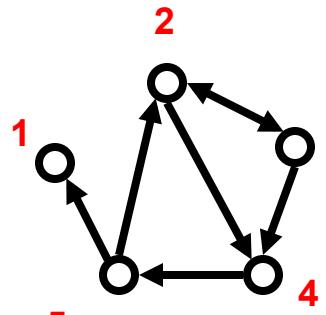


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# Node degrees

- Node network properties
  - from immediate connections
    - **indegree**  
how many directed edges (arcs) are incident on a node
    - **outdegree**  
how many directed edges (arcs) originate at a node
    - **degree (in or out)**  
number of edges incident on a node
  - from the entire graph
    - centrality (betweenness, closeness)





# Node degree from matrix values

- Outdegree =  $\sum_{j=1}^n A_{ij}$

example: outdegree for node 3 is 2, which we obtain by summing the number of non-zero entries in the 3<sup>rd</sup> row

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\sum_{j=1}^n A_{3j}$$

- Indegree =  $\sum_{i=1}^n A_{ij}$

example: the indegree for node 3 is 1, which we obtain by summing the number of non-zero entries in the 3<sup>rd</sup> column

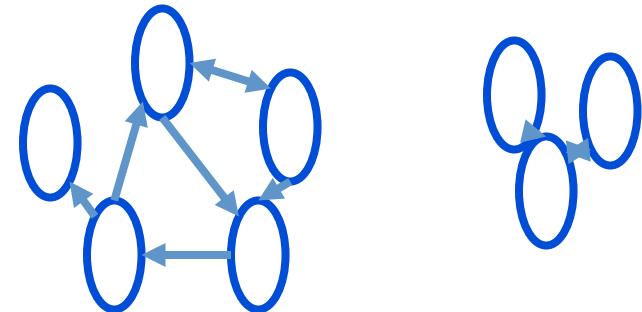
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$$\sum_{i=1}^n A_{i3}$$

# Network metrics: degree sequence and degree distribution

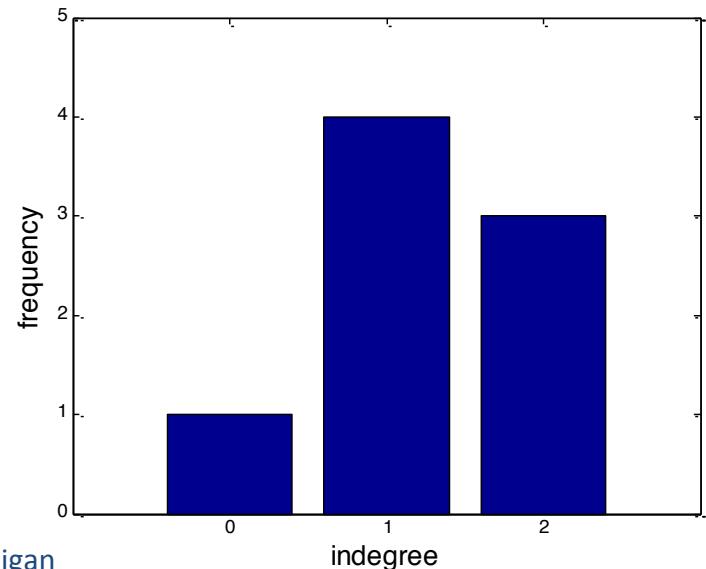
- Degree sequence: An ordered list of the (in,out) degree of each node

- In-degree sequence:
  - [2, 2, 2, 1, 1, 1, 1, 0]
- Out-degree sequence:
  - [2, 2, 2, 2, 1, 1, 1, 0]
- (undirected) degree sequence:
  - [3, 3, 3, 2, 2, 1, 1, 1]



- Degree distribution: A frequency count of the occurrence of each degree

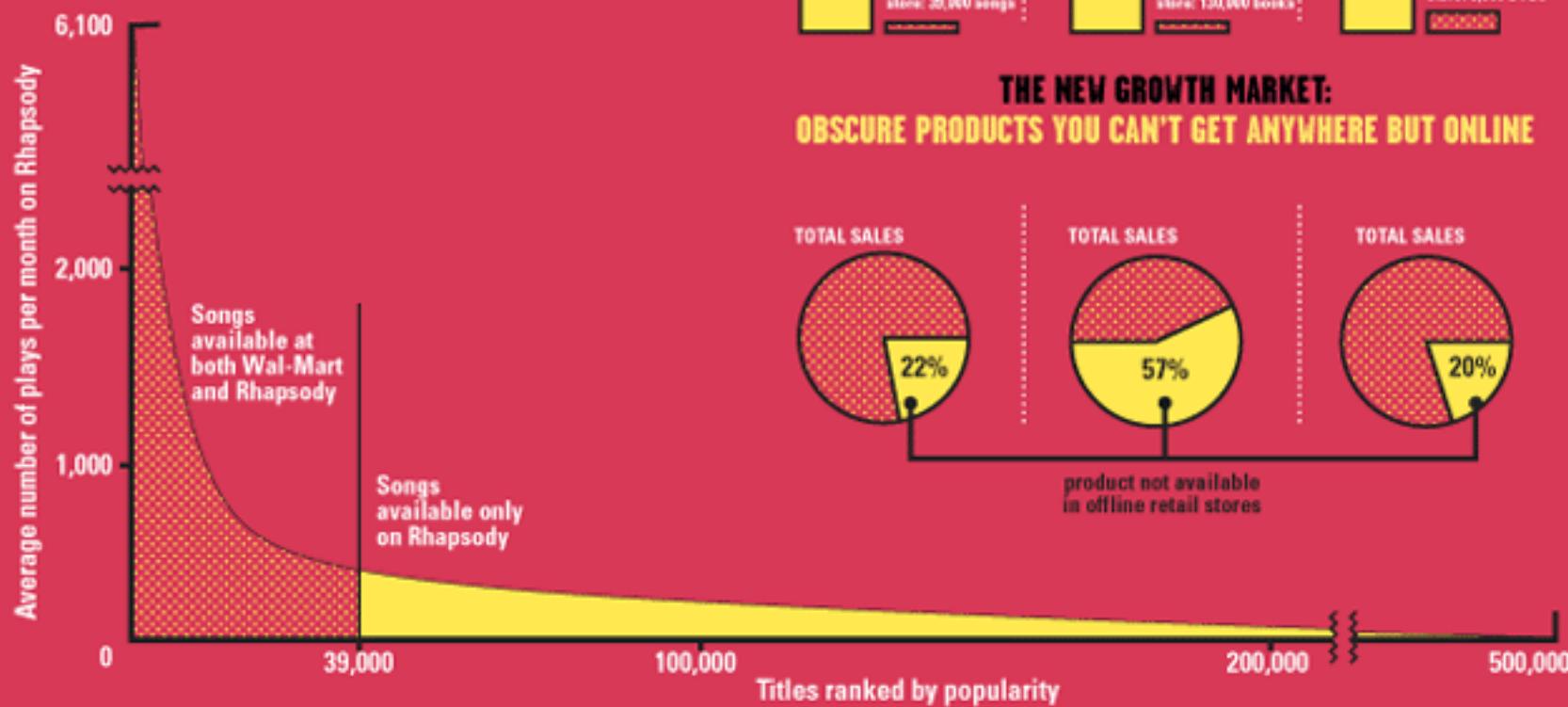
- In-degree distribution:
  - [(2,3) (1,4) (0,1)]
- Out-degree distribution:
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- (undirected) distribution:
  - [(3,3) (2,2) (1,3)]

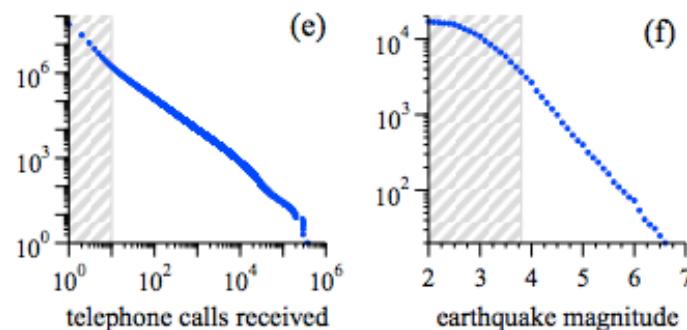
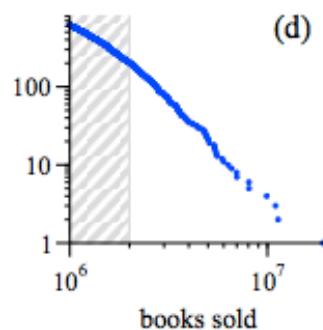
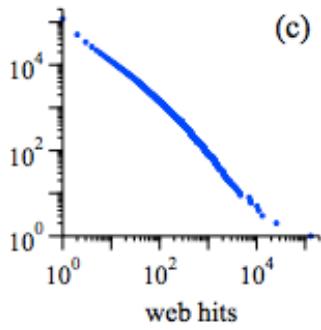
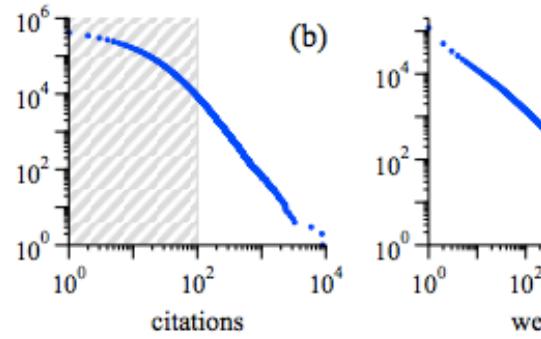
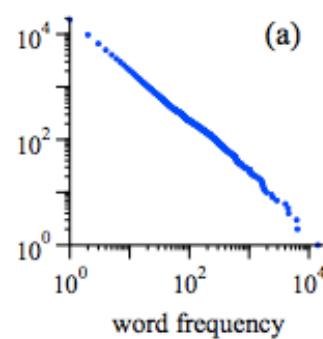


# Long-Tail and power law

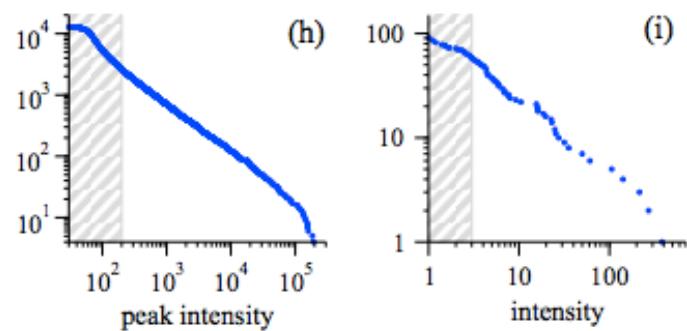
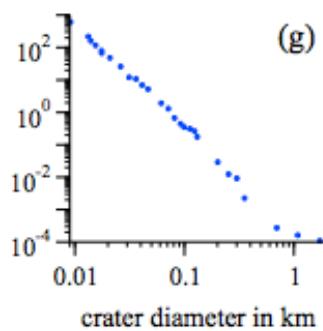
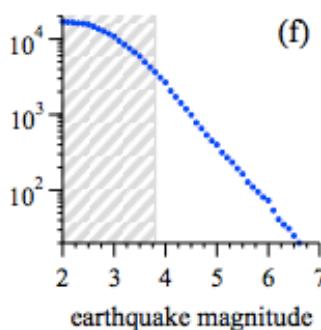
## ANATOMY OF THE LONG TAIL

Online services carry far more inventory than traditional retailers. Rhapsody, for example, offers 19 times as many songs as Wal-Mart's stock of 39,000 tunes. The appetite for Rhapsody's more obscure tunes (charted below in yellow) makes up the so-called Long Tail. Meanwhile, even as consumers flock to mainstream books, music, and films (right), there is real demand for niche fare found only online.

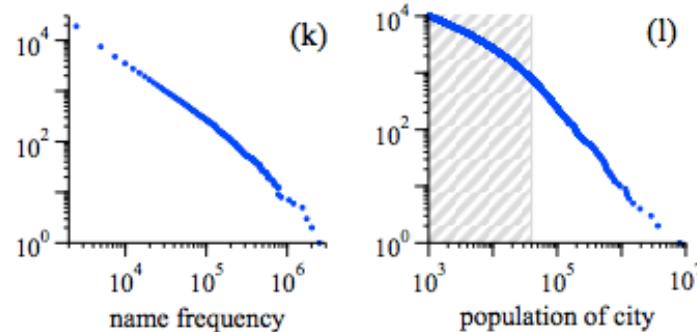
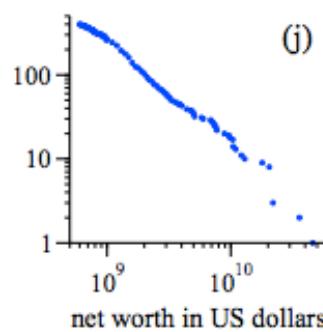
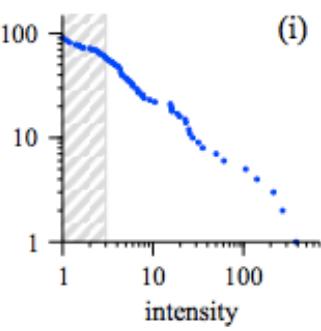




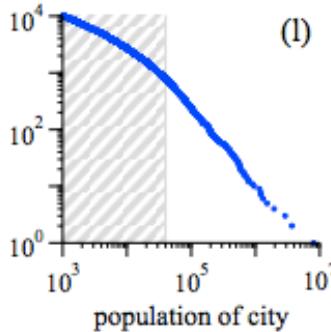
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Power laws, Pareto distributions and  
Zipf's law. M. Newman, Cont. Physics  
(2005)

# Power Law Seems Ubiquitous

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- \* Popularity of items: Amazon, YouTube, Flickr
- \* Degree of nodes in large graphs
  - links to website, connection between Internet Ases
  - Collaboration between actors, scientists
- \* Across a broad spectrum of natural system
  - # Species in genus, proteine seq. genome, words
- \* Time and space: characterizes human activities

# How does power laws arise?

- A process for generating web links:
  - 1) Nodes (i.e. webpages) join the graph in sequence, creating edges linking to previous nodes.
  - 2) Each node  $u$  creates one outgoing edge as follows
    - a) Choose a node  $v$  uniformly
    - b) With prob.  $p$ , edge  $u \rightarrow v$  is created,
    - c) With prob.  $(1-p)$ , edge  $u \rightarrow w$  for  $w$  a (uniformly chose) children of  $v$
    - c) is equivalent to: “with probability  $1-p$ , page  $u$  chooses a page  $w$  with probability proportional to  $w$ ’s current number of in-links, and creates a link to  $w$ ”

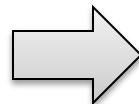
# Rich-Get-Richer Process

Initial condition

$$x_j(j) = 0$$

Rate of growth

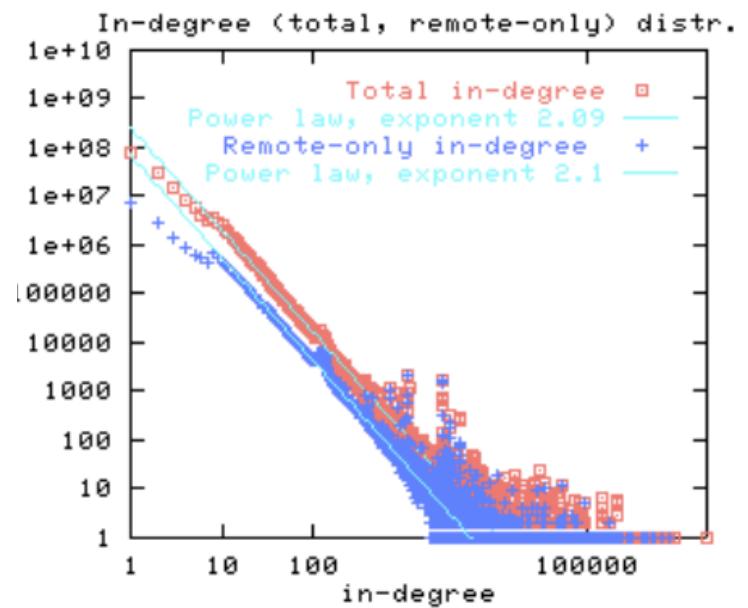
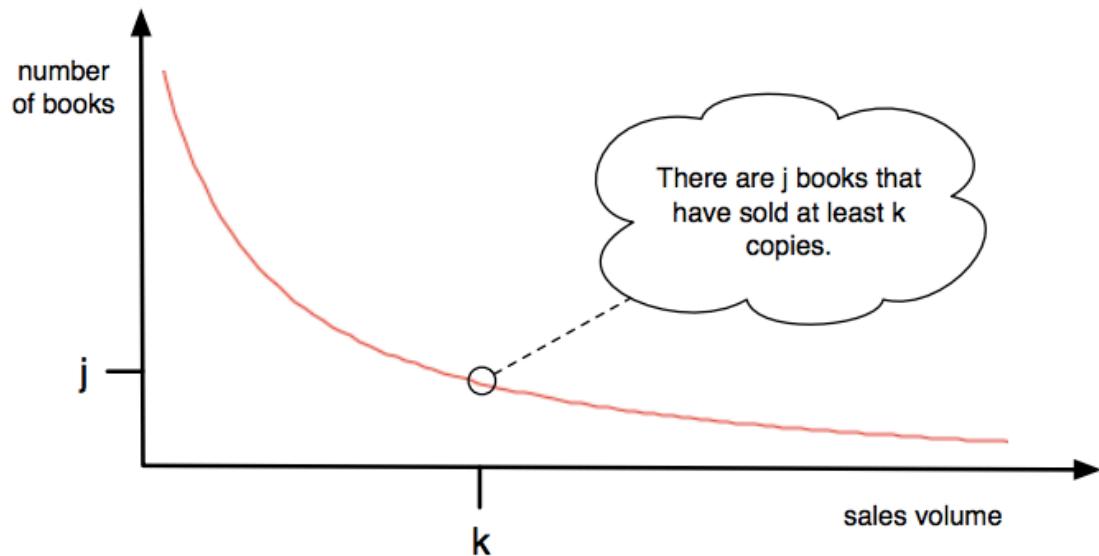
$$\frac{dx_j}{dt} = \frac{p}{t} + \frac{(1-p)x_j}{t}.$$



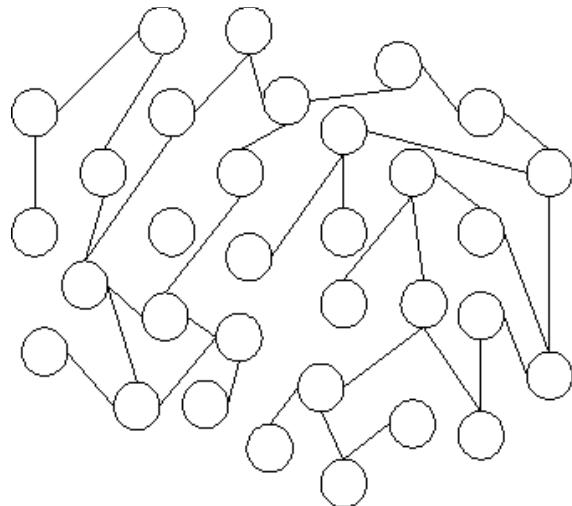
Fraction of nodes with  $k$  incoming links

$$\sim k^{-\alpha}, \alpha = 1 + 1/(1-p)$$

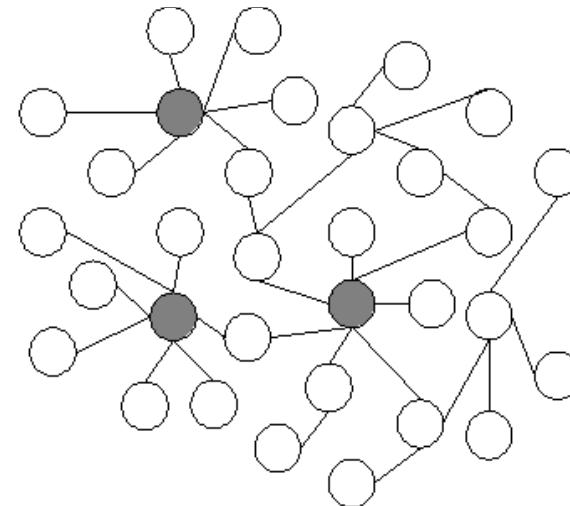
[Easley and Kleinberg, Chapter 18] Fig 18.2 and 18.3



# Random vs Power-law networks



(a) Random network



(b) Scale-free network

Terminologies that describe (different aspects of) the same process:  
**Power-law, Long-tail**  
**Scale-free**  
**Rich-get-richer, preferential attachment**

# Networks from Document Collections

Dataset	Nodes	Edges	Edge weight?	Directed?	Potential use of the network
“Divided they Blog”	blog				
Email	people				
Research Papers	authors				
Research Papers	papers				
Research Papers	Journals/ conferences				
Recipe					
...					

# Summary for Today

- What are networks of documents
- A collection of network analysis problems
- Network representation
- Power-law degree distribution and rich-get-richer processes

- HW: representing Twitter as network
- Coming up in Wed: network description

# Document Elements In Twitter

User

Mention

Hashtag

Hyperlink

Hilary Mason @hmason 11h  
Dear Internet, I'm away having an adventure! Email if you need me:  
[hilarymason.com/contact-me/](http://hilarymason.com/contact-me/)  
Expand

Social Media Today @socialmedia2day 12h  
How Private Is Your **#Social Media?** via [@cksym.e](http://cksym.e) - [ow.ly/nW7rN](http://ow.ly/nW7rN)  
Retweeted by Anatolly Gruzdz  
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Patrick Keilty @PatrickKeilty 12h  
Google is offering grants for women to attend tech conferences  
[m.fastcompany.com/3015723/fast-f...](http://m.fastcompany.com/3015723/fast-f...)  
Retweeted by Barry Wellman  
Collapse Reply Retweet Favorite More  
2 RETWEETS 2 FAVORITES 

5:22 AM - 16 Aug 13 from Toronto, Ontario · Details

Reply to @PatrickKeilty @barrywellman

Banu Akdenizli @banuakdenizli 11h  
Did you know that "@[PatrickKeilty](#). Google is offering grants for women to attend tech conferences  
[m.fastcompany.com/3015723/fast-f...](http://m.fastcompany.com/3015723/fast-f...)"  
Expand

Jason Nolan @jasonnolan 12h  
Cost of the NSERC Science Grant Peer System Exceeds the Cost of Giving Every Qualified Researcher a Baseline Grant  
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Have u read @ceopeland1985 gr8 piece debunking Big Telecom's misleading **#cellphone** newspaper ads yet? [ow.ly/nNBhS](http://ow.ly/nNBhS) #cdnpoli  
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# Networks from Twitter

Nodes	Edges	Edge weight?	Directed?	Potential use of the network
User				
User				
Hashtag				
Website				
Website, User				
User				