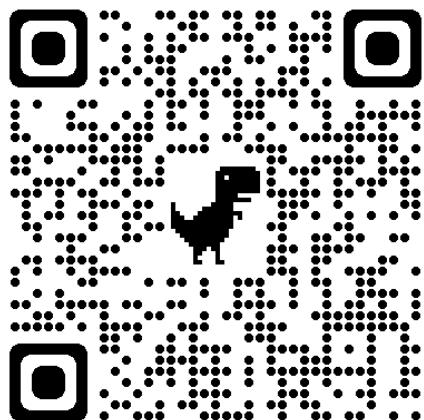
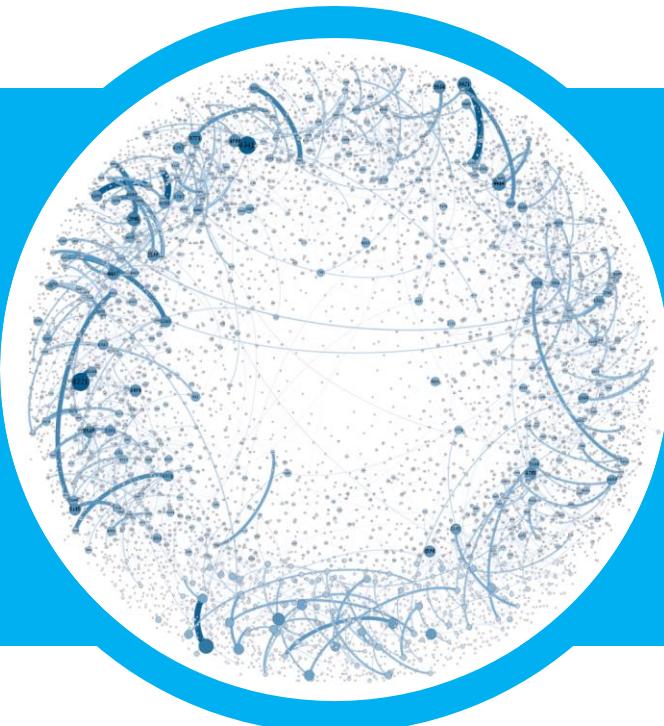


# Network GPS: Navigating network dynamics

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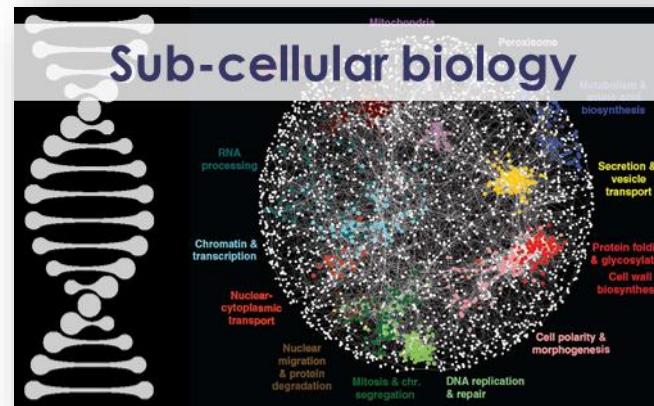
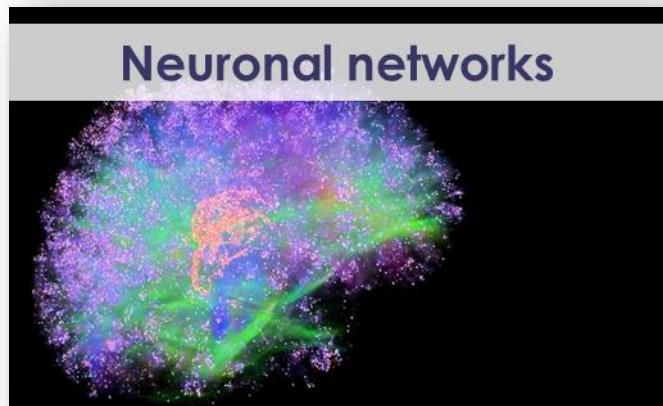
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# Network dynamics



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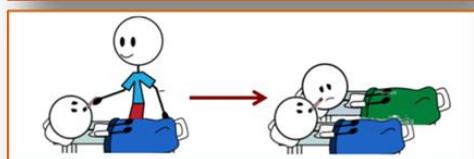
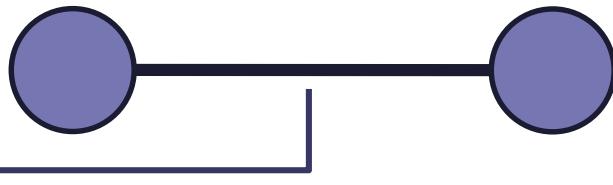
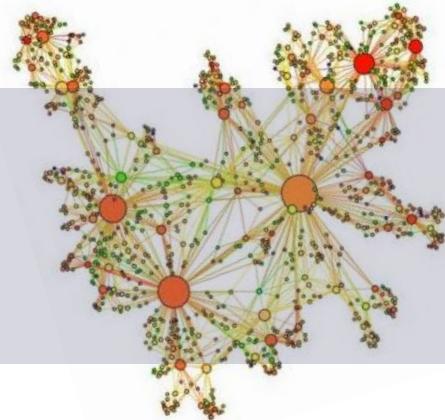
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INFLUENCE

# Dynamics layer

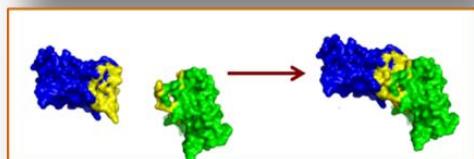
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$A_{ij}$  Weighted, directed topology

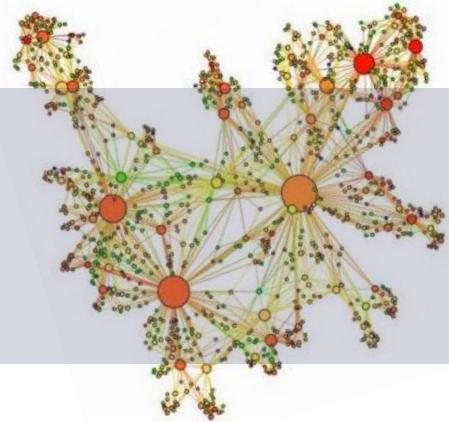
$M_0, M_1, M_2$  Intrinsic nonlinear interaction mechanisms



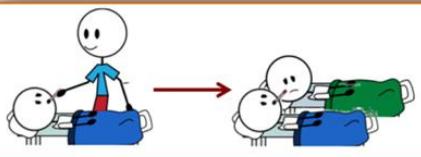
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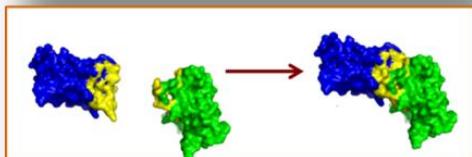
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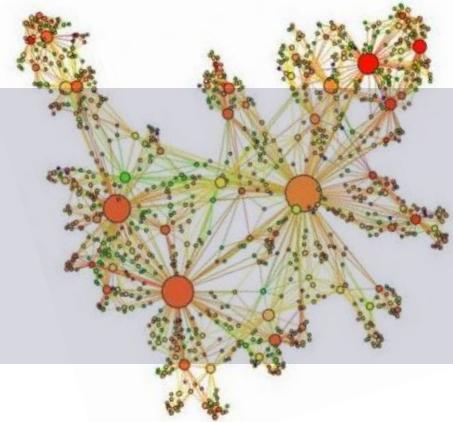


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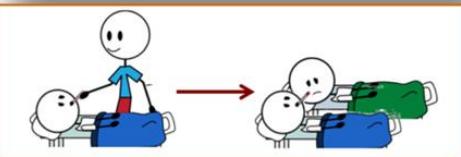
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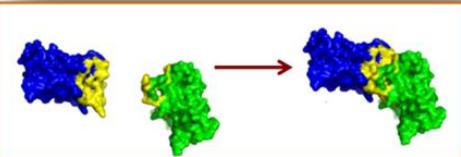
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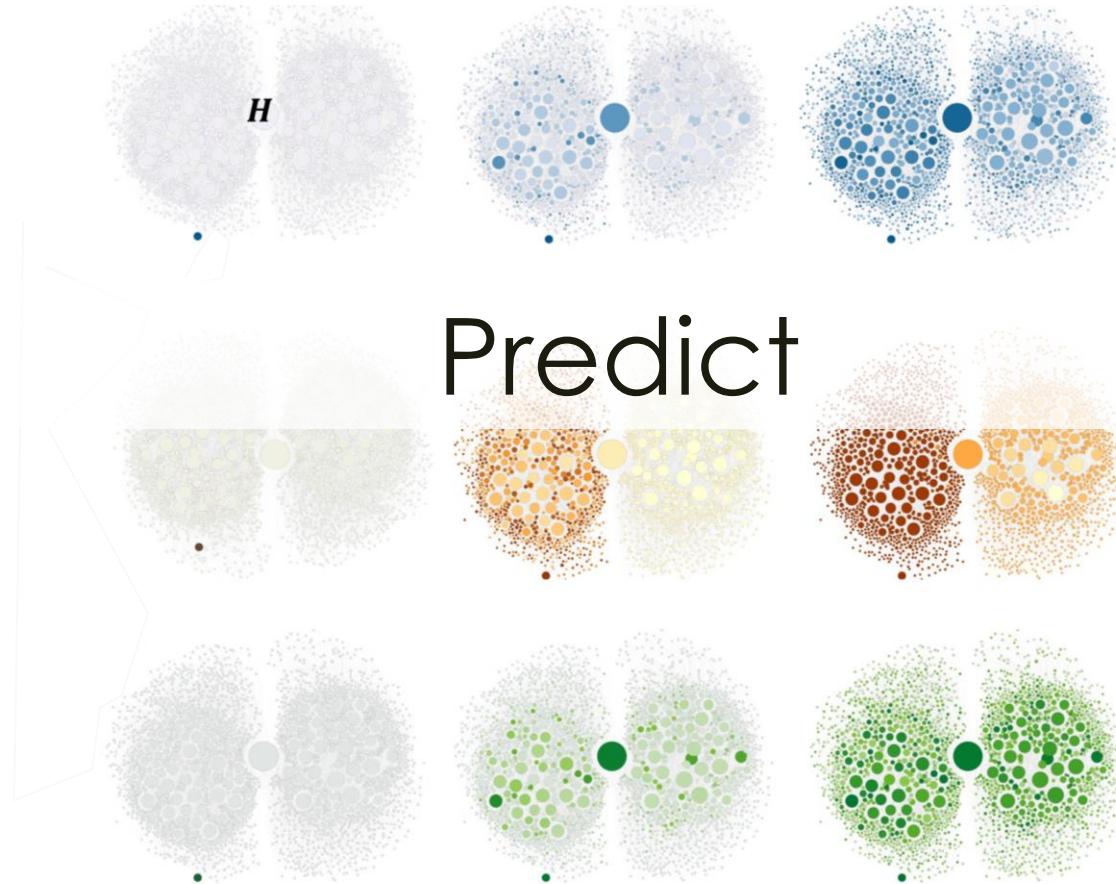
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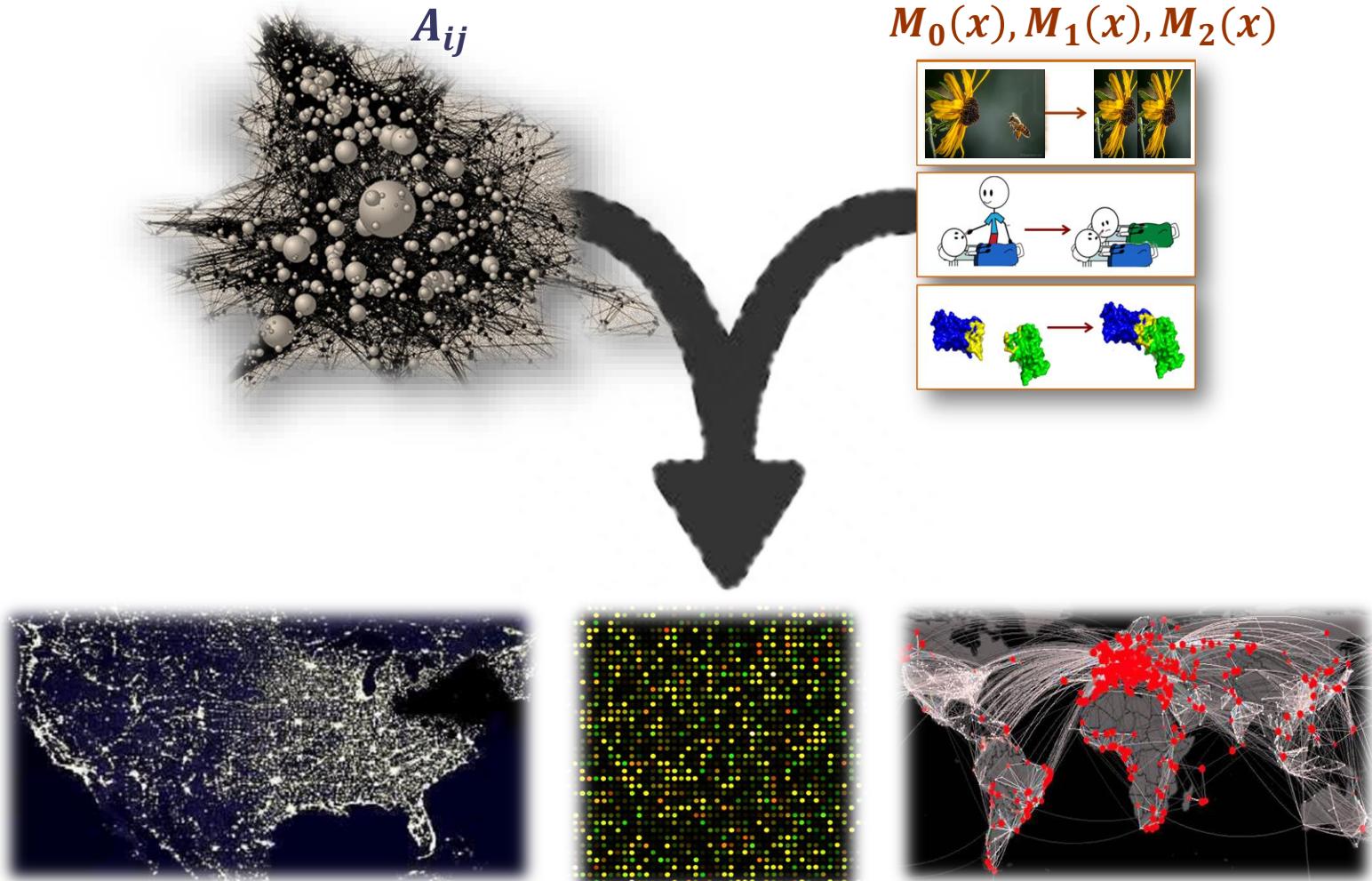
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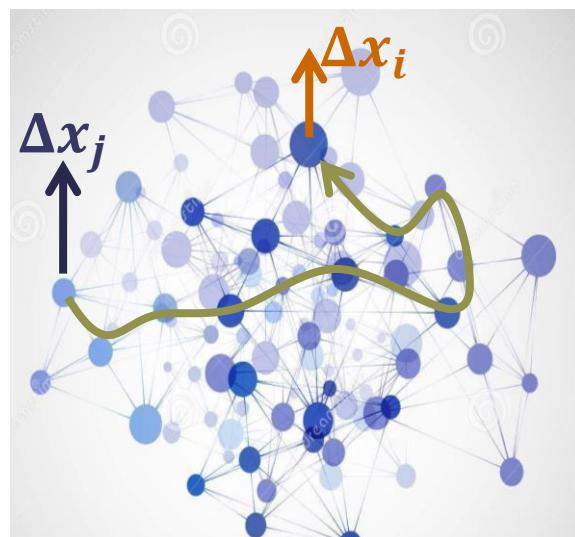


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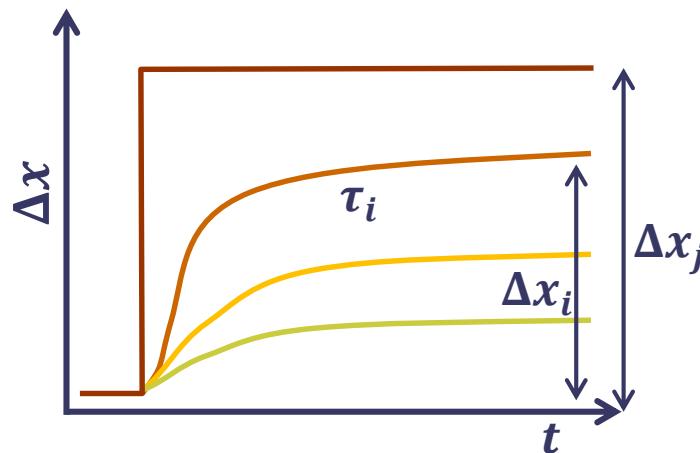
patterns of information spread

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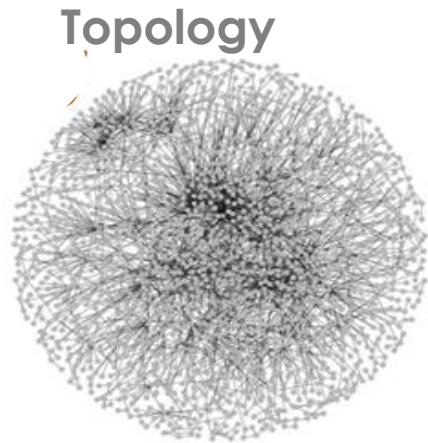


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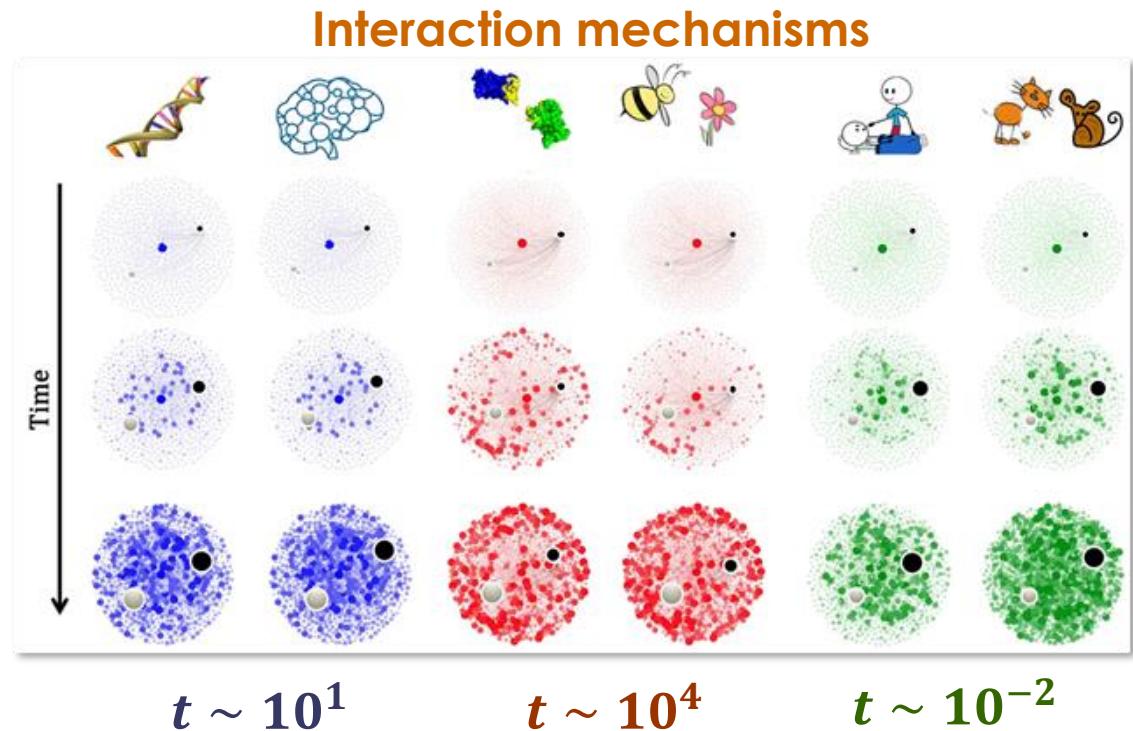
- When ( $\tau_i$ )
- Where ( $l_{ij}$ )
- How strongly ( $\Delta x_i$ )
- How ( $\mathcal{F}_i, \mathcal{F}_{ij}$ )



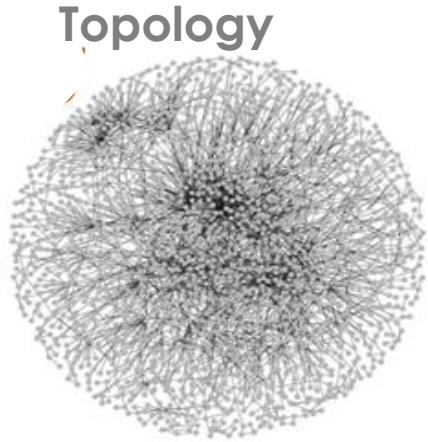
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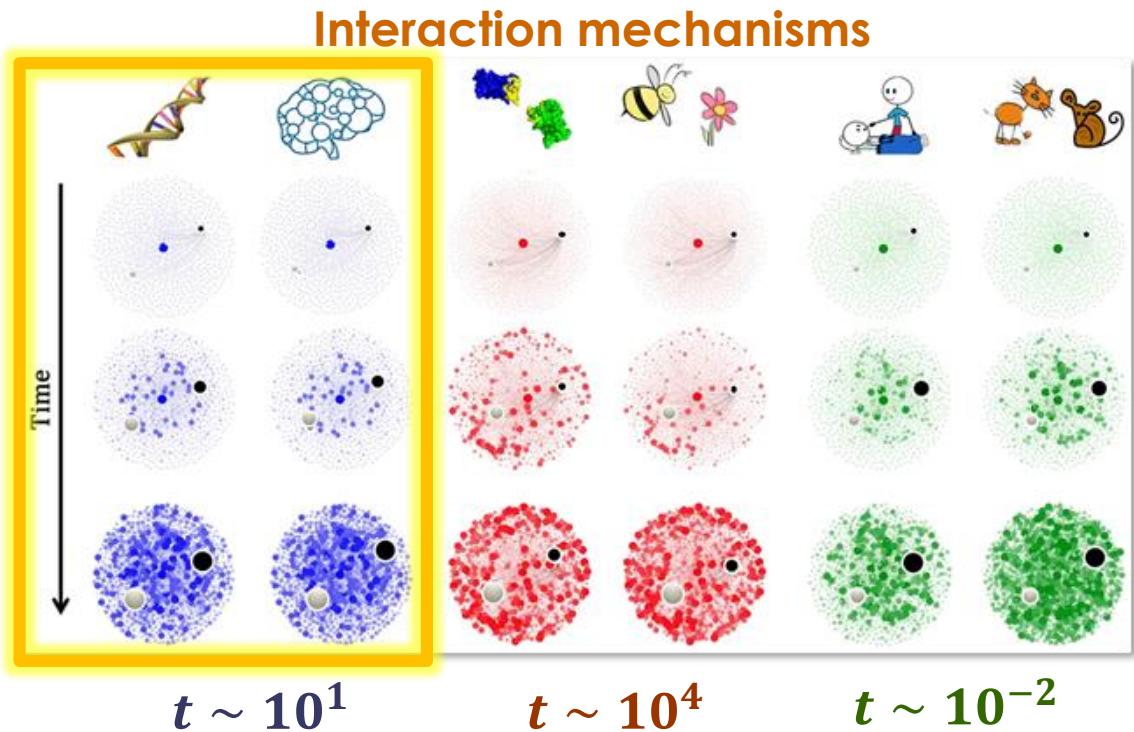
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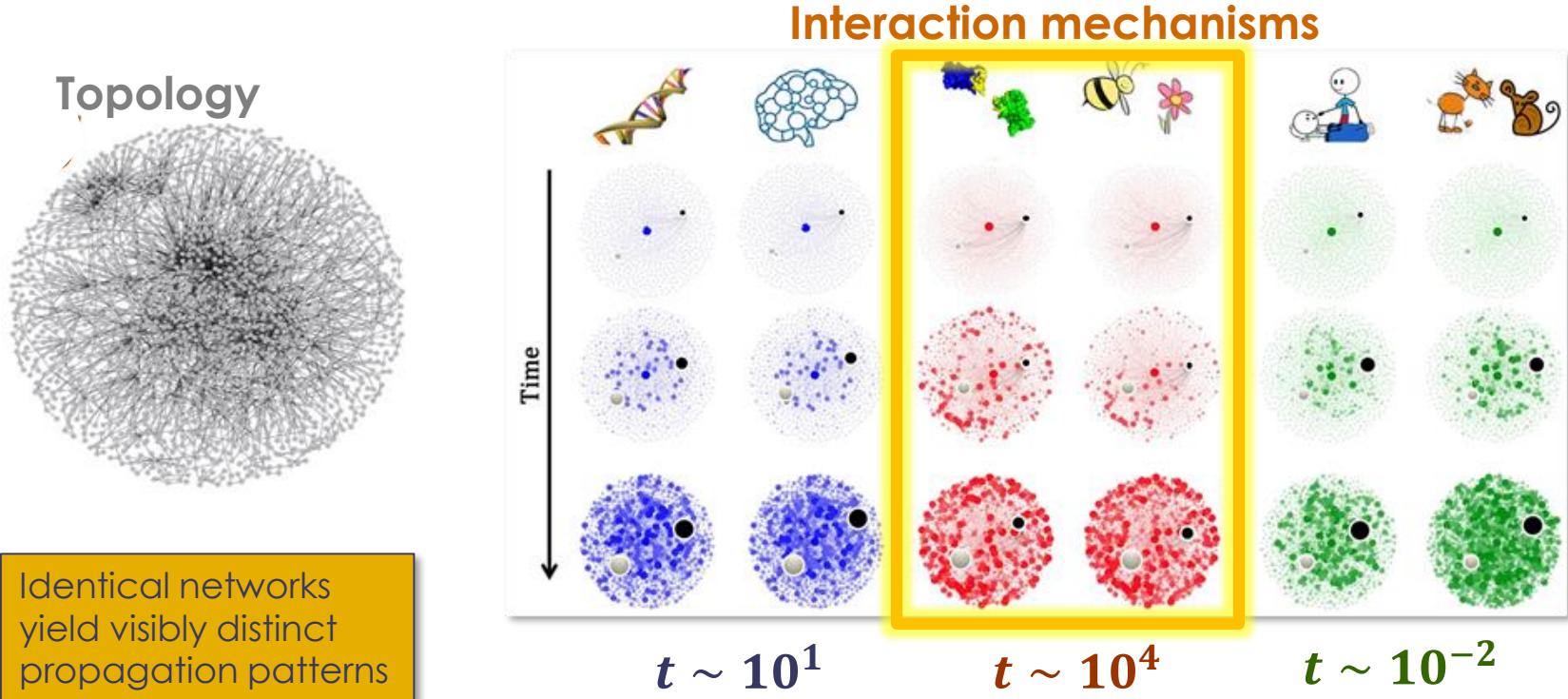
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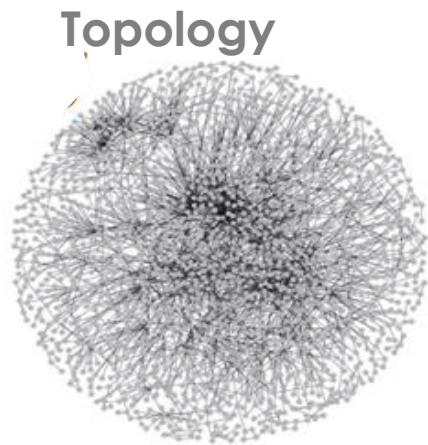
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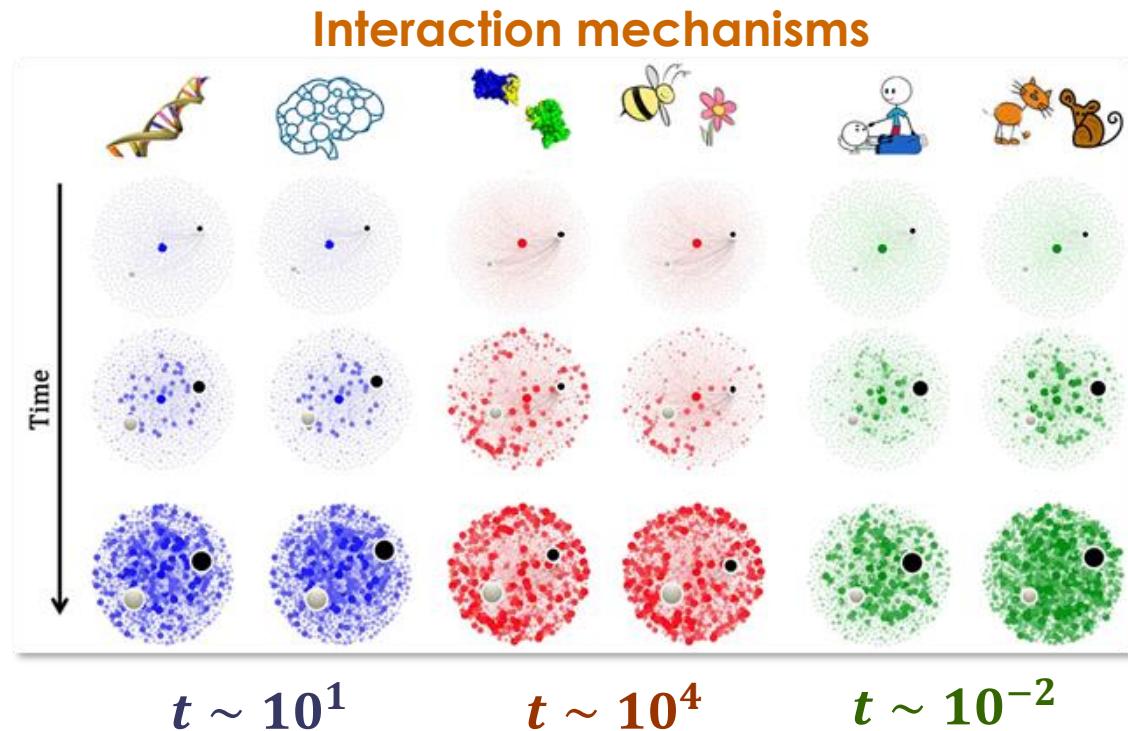
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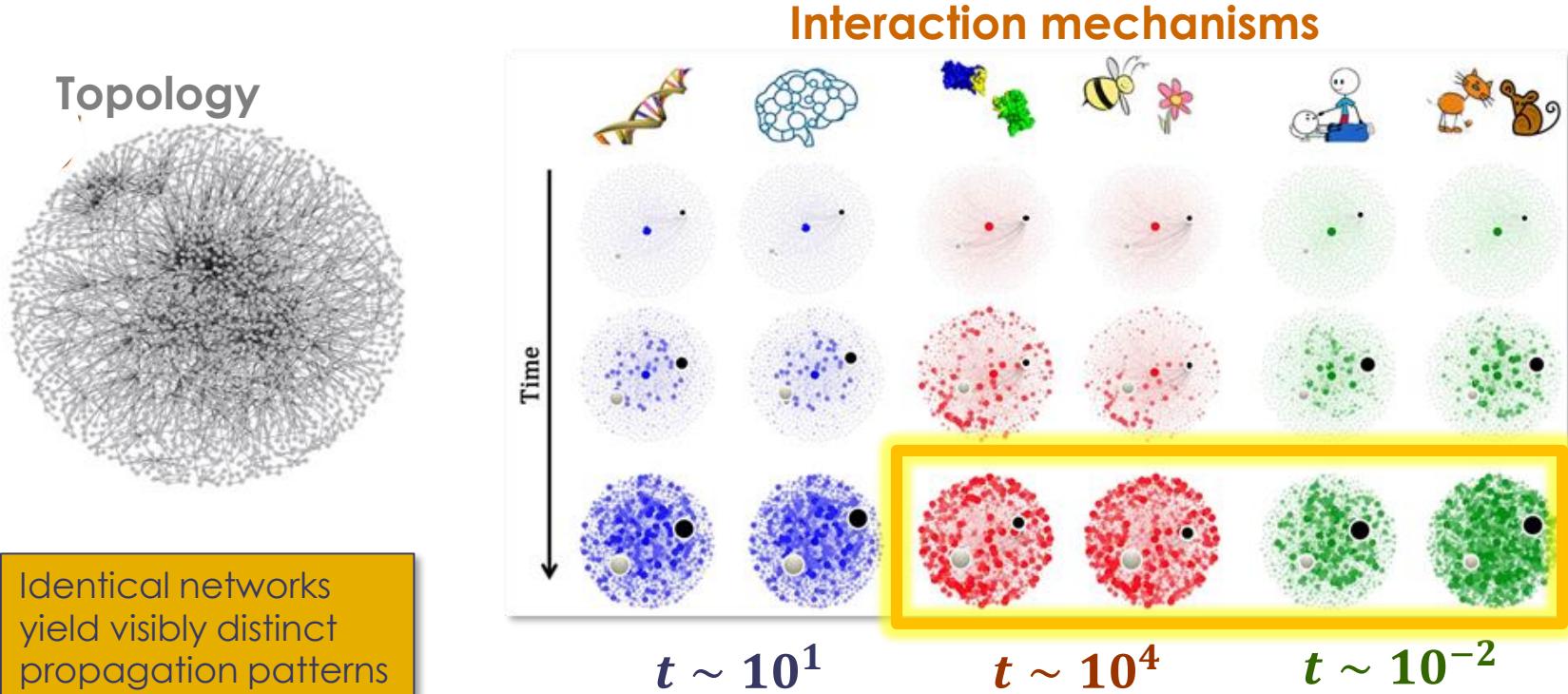
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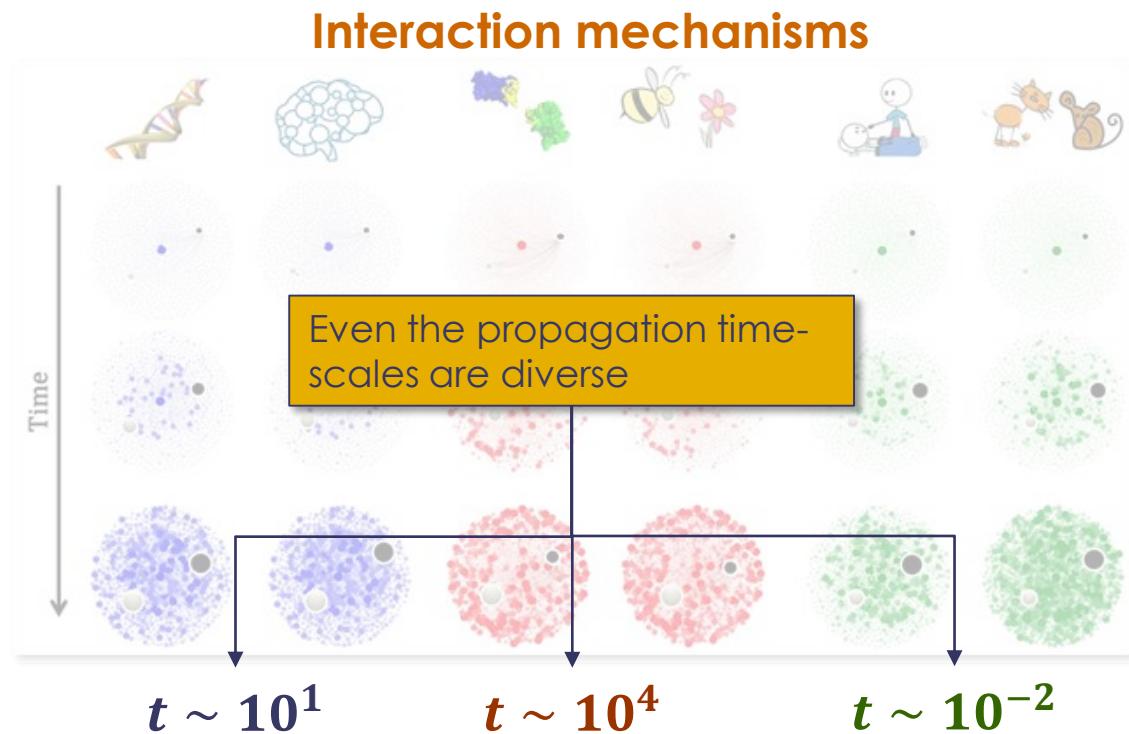
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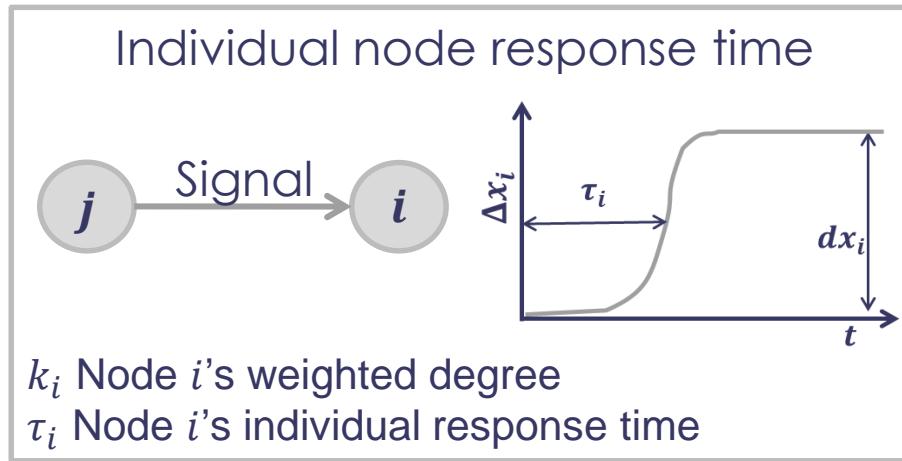
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# Taming the zoo of propagation patterns

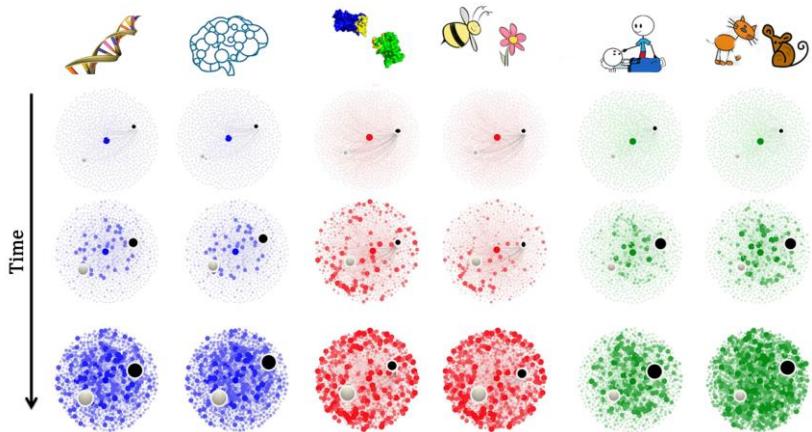


$$\tau_i \sim k_i^\theta$$

A node's intrinsic response time scales with its weighted degree

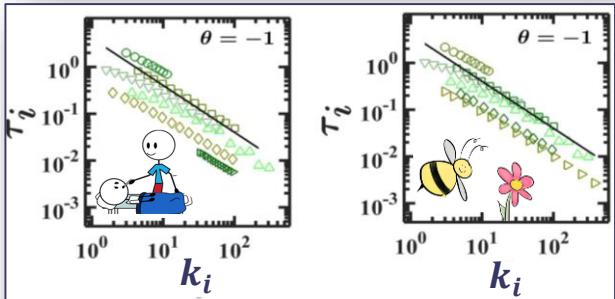
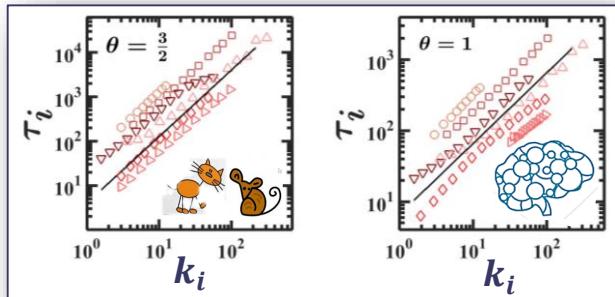
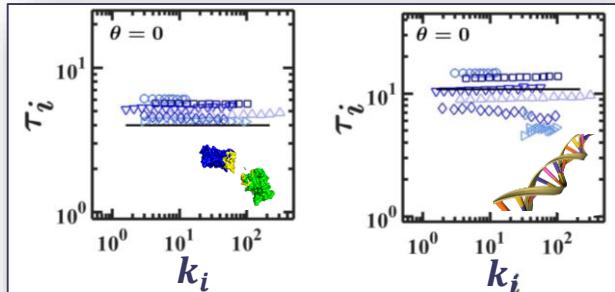
# Why should you care?

Diverse & unpredictable



Universal

$$\tau_i \sim k_i^\theta$$



# Dynamic insight

**Response time**

Dynamic observable of interest.

$$\tau_i \sim k_i^\theta$$

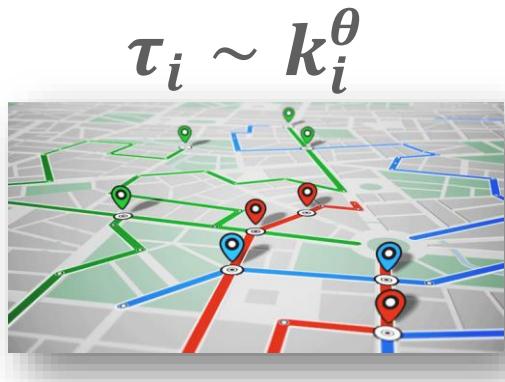
**Weighted degree**

Known topological element

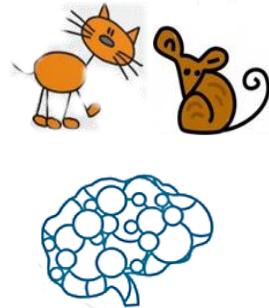
**Dynamic determinant**

Mapping topology into dynamics

# Network GPS – how signals navigate the network



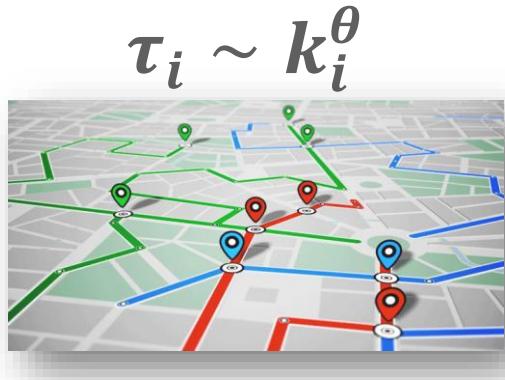
$\theta > 0$   
Hubs  
=  
Bottlenecks



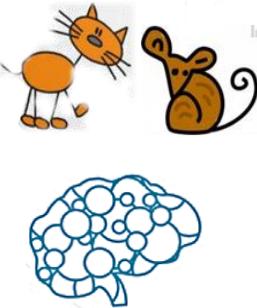
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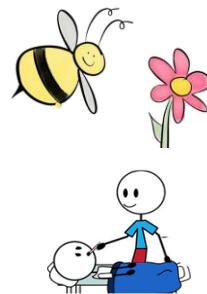
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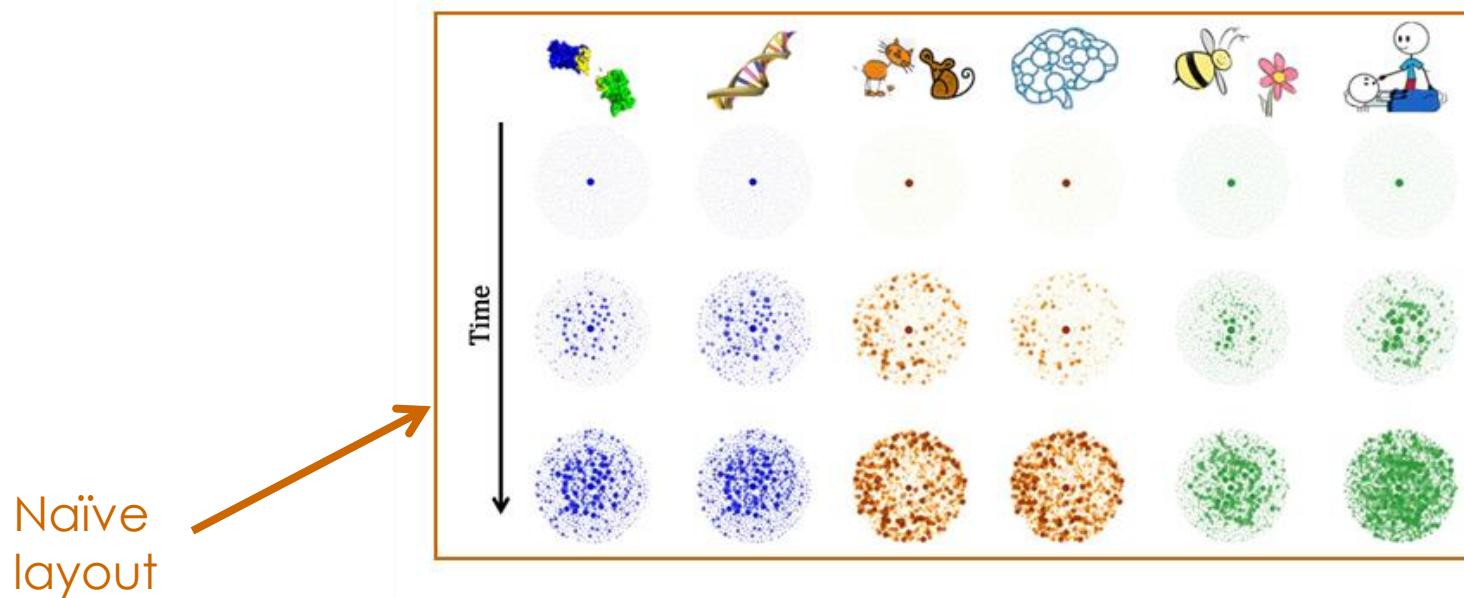
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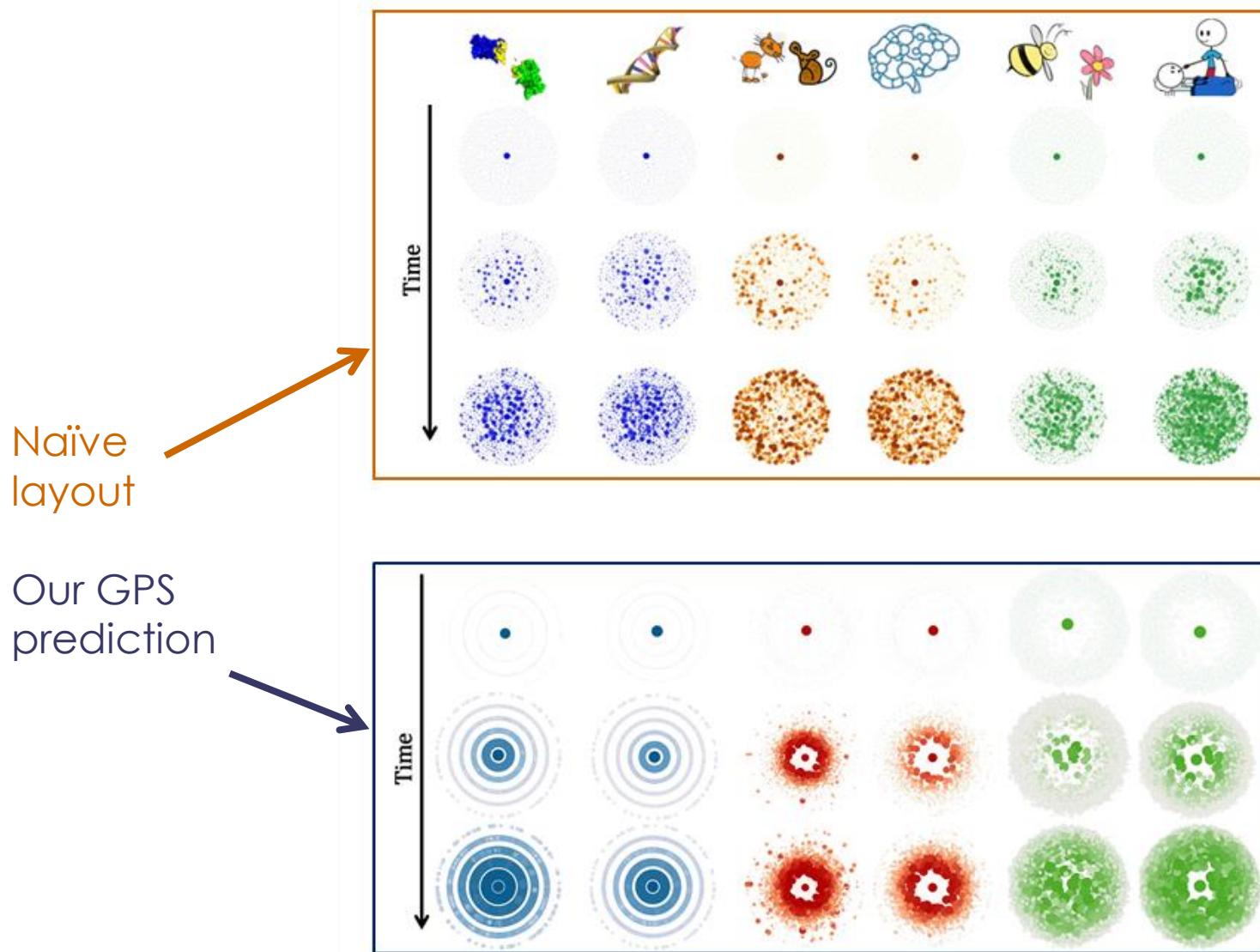
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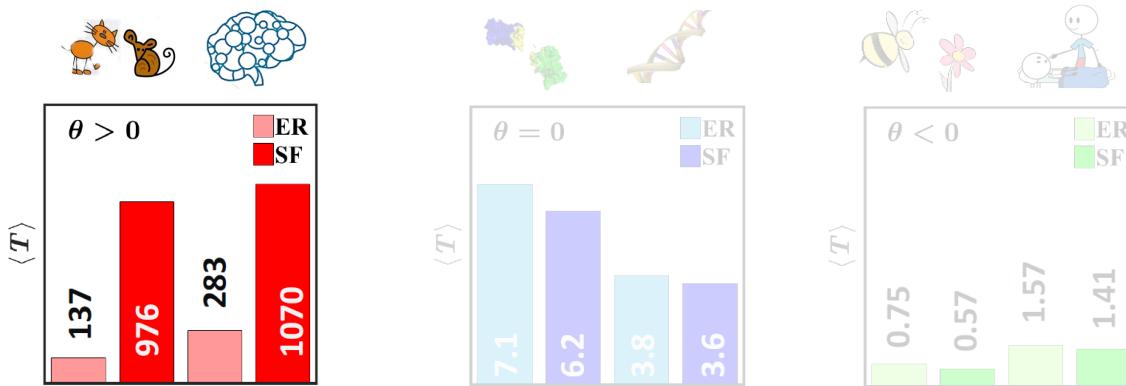


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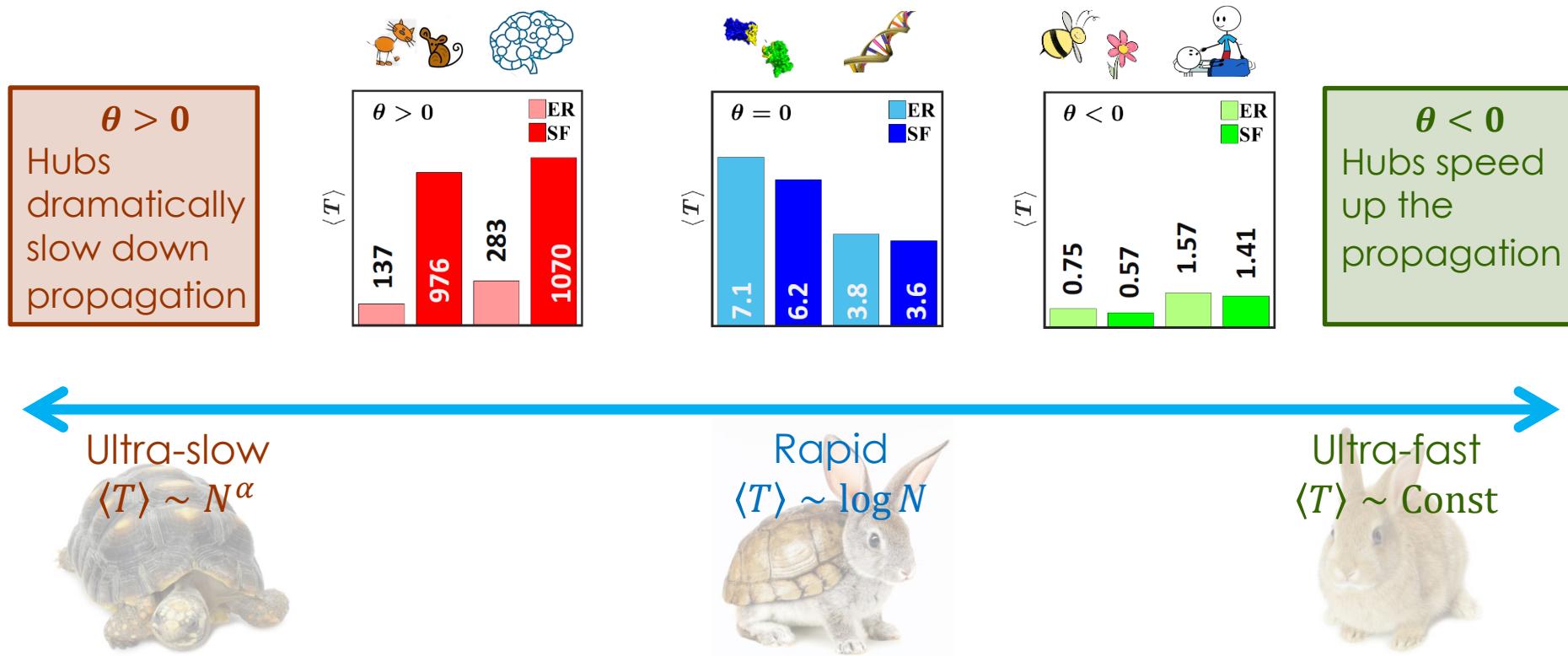
# Same topology – different spreading rules

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Hubs  
dramatically  
slow down  
propagation



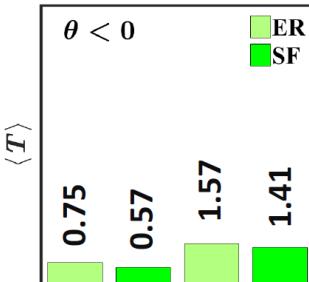
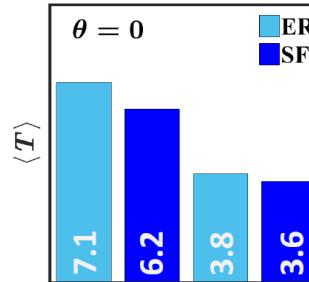
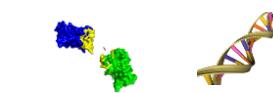
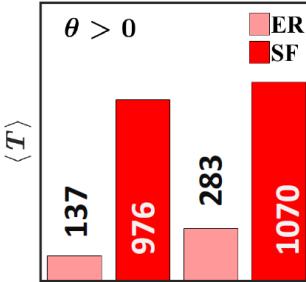
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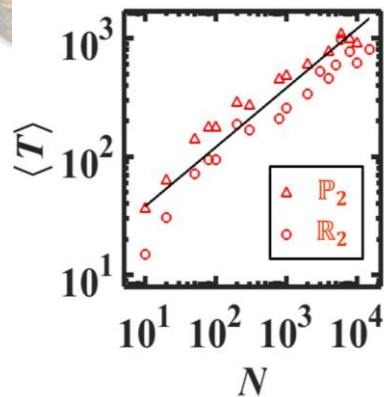
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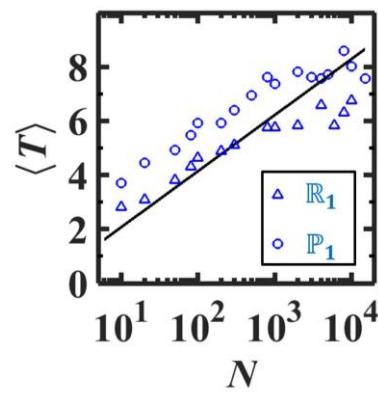
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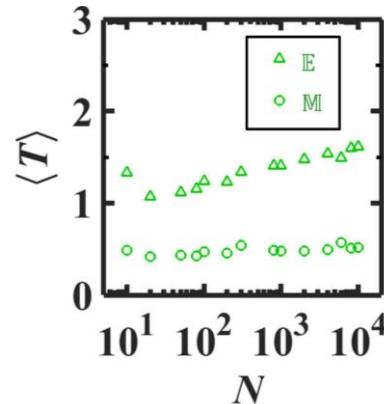
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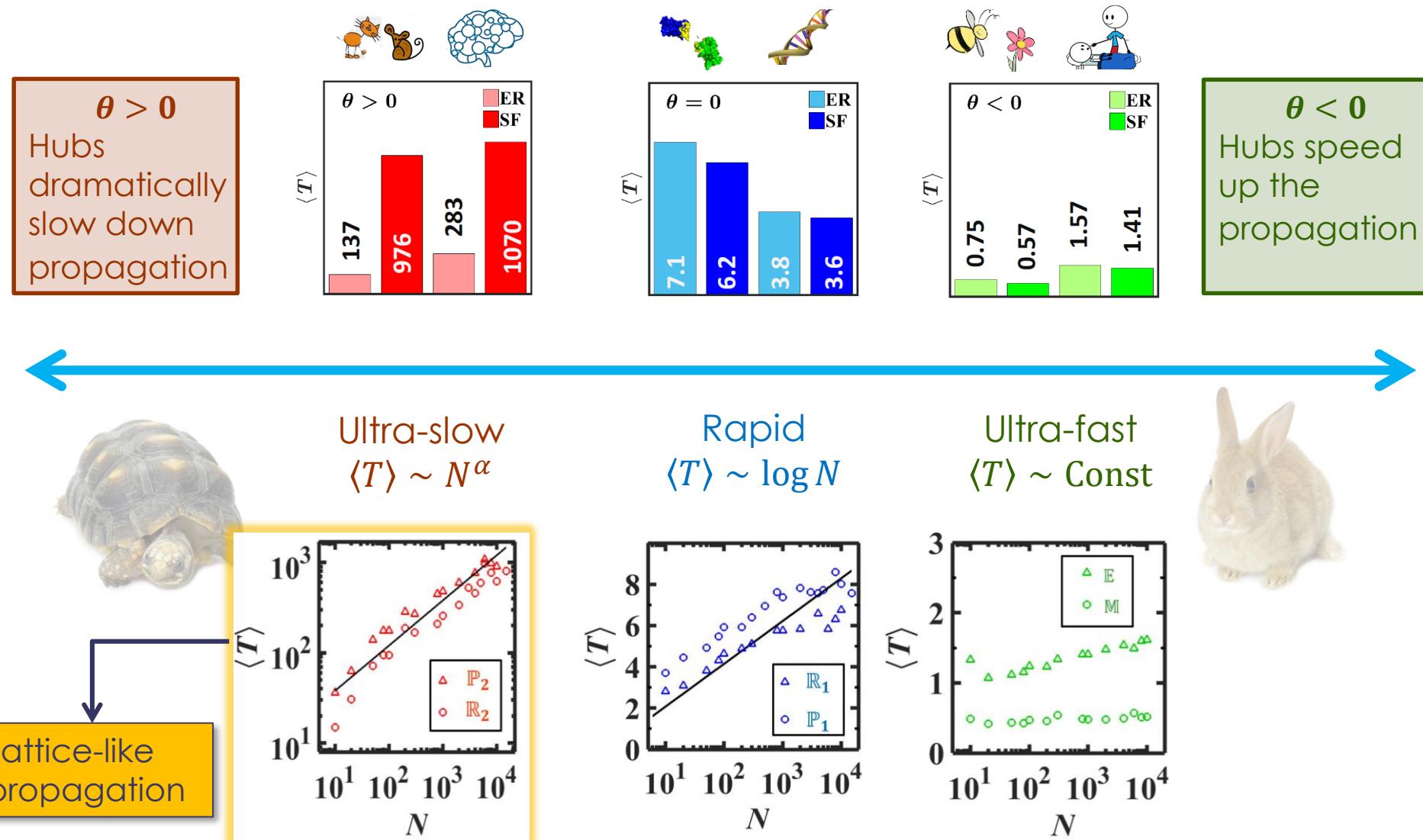
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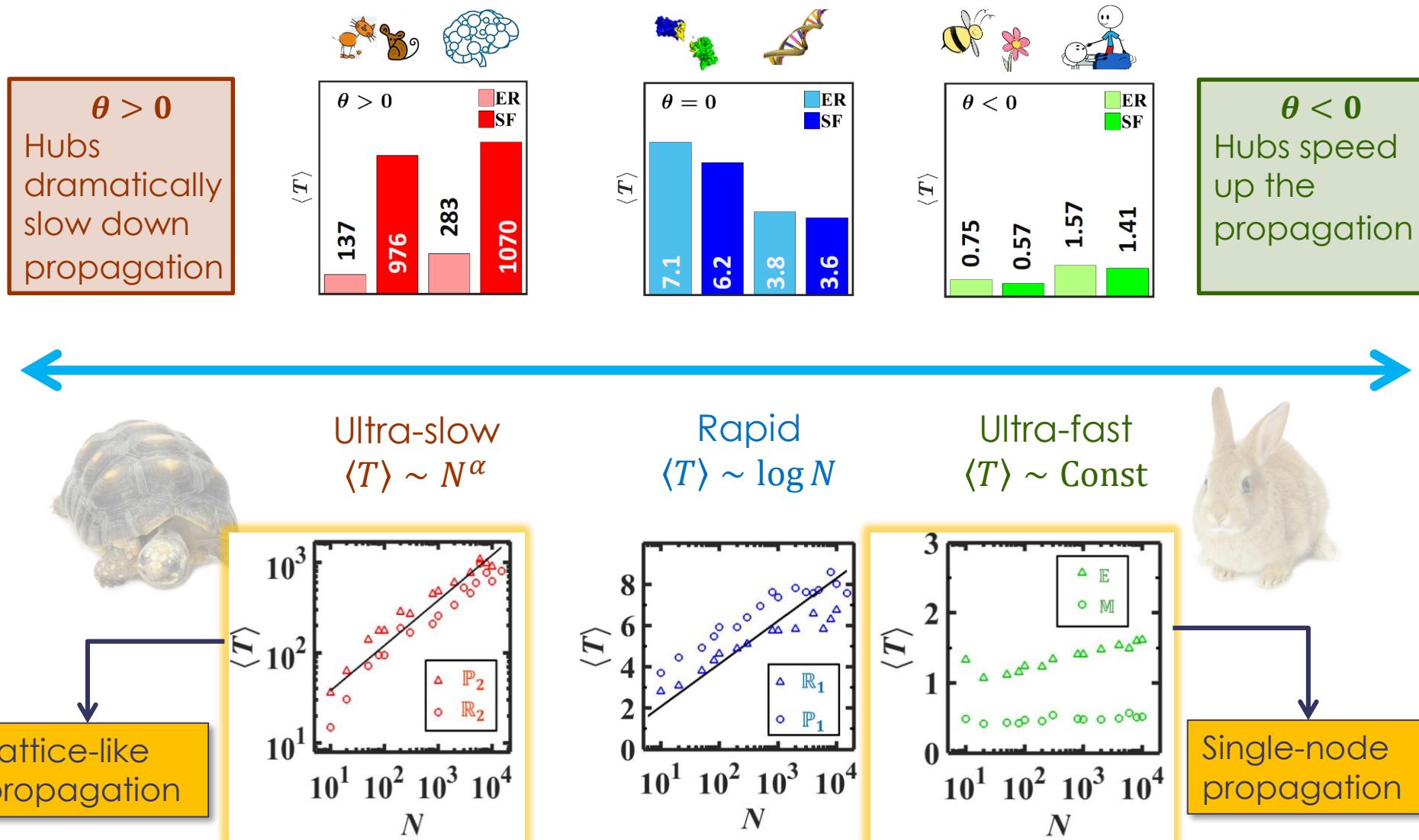
Ultra-fast  
 $\langle T \rangle \sim \text{Const}$



# Same topology – different spreading rules



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Different interpretations of scale-freeness. All boils down to a single analytically predictable parameter  $\theta$



Ultra-slow  
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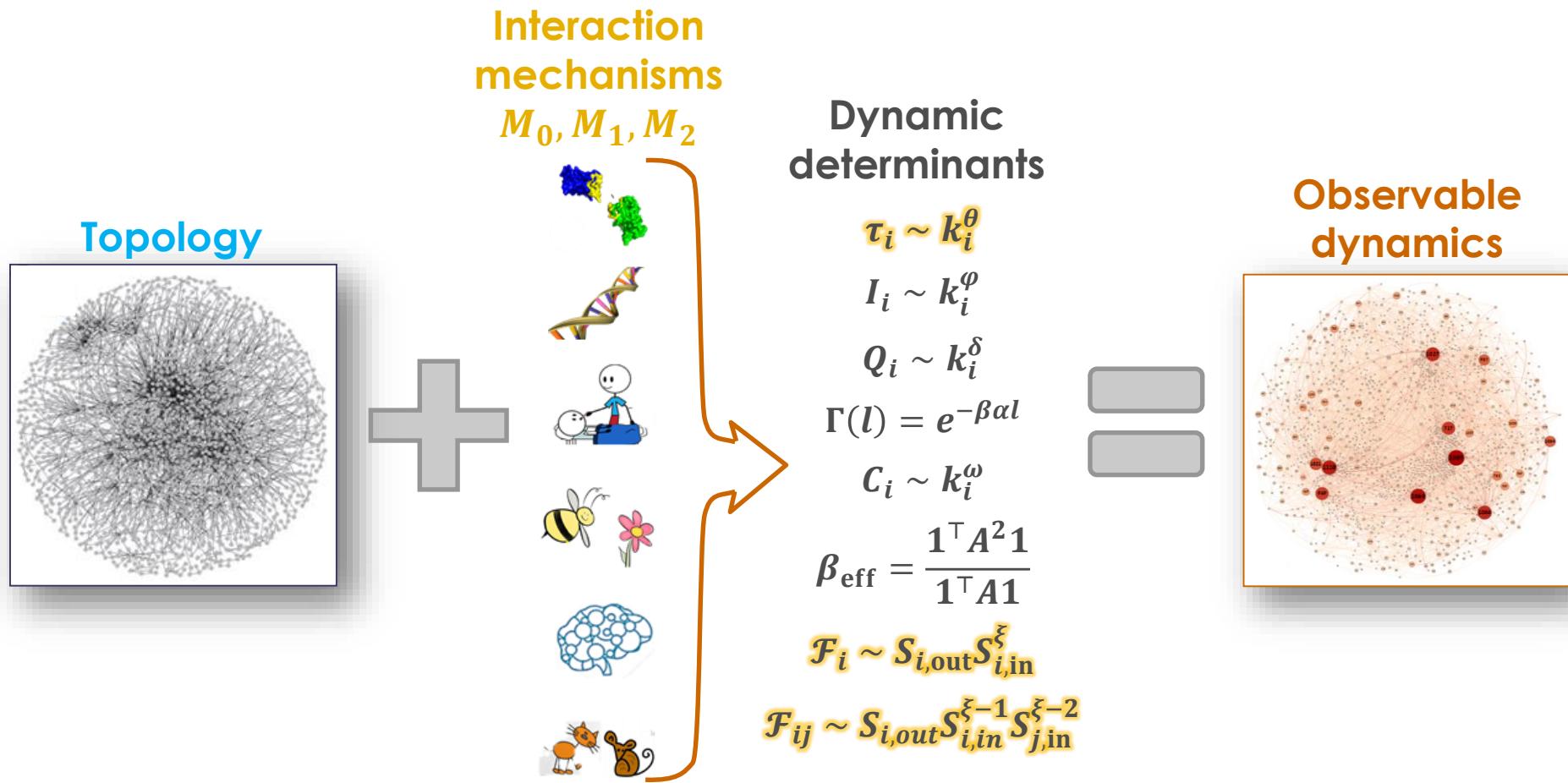


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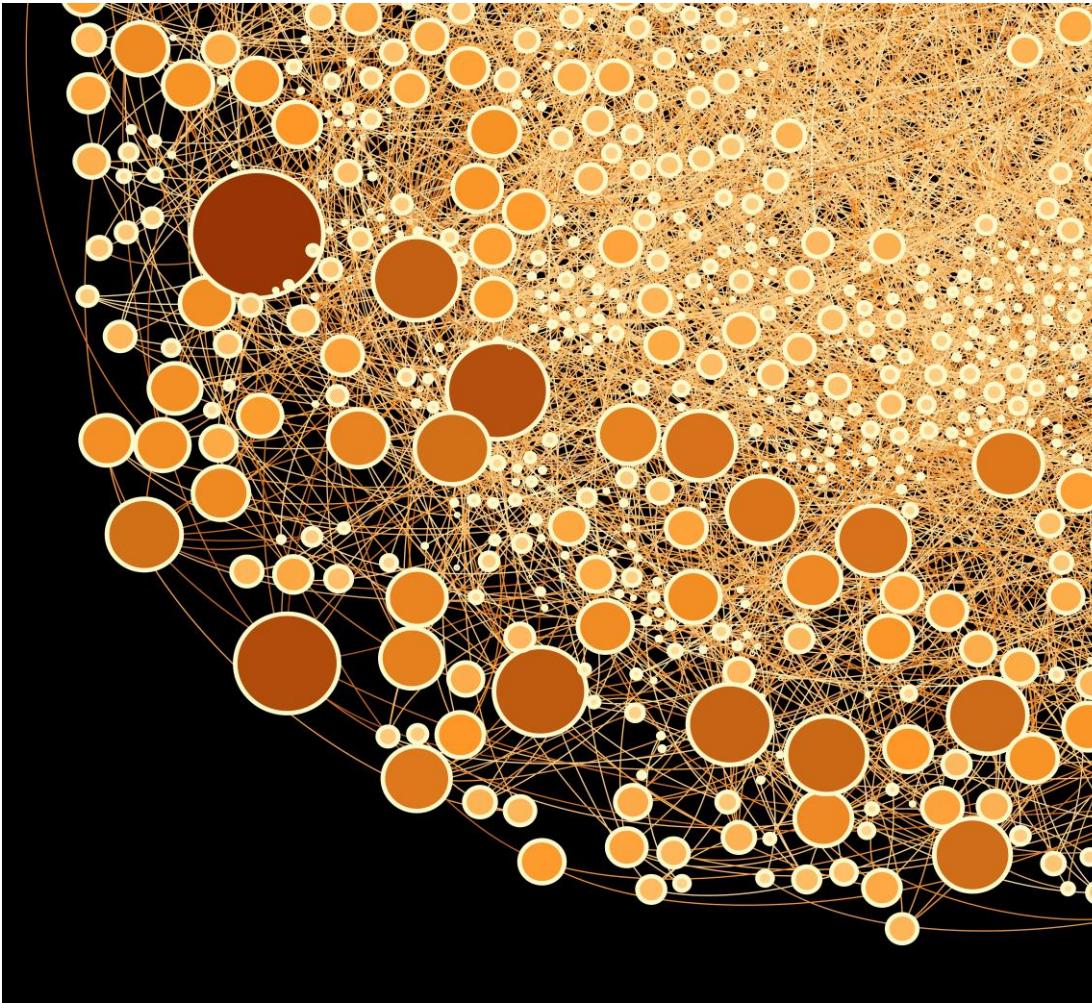


# Dictionary of network dynamics

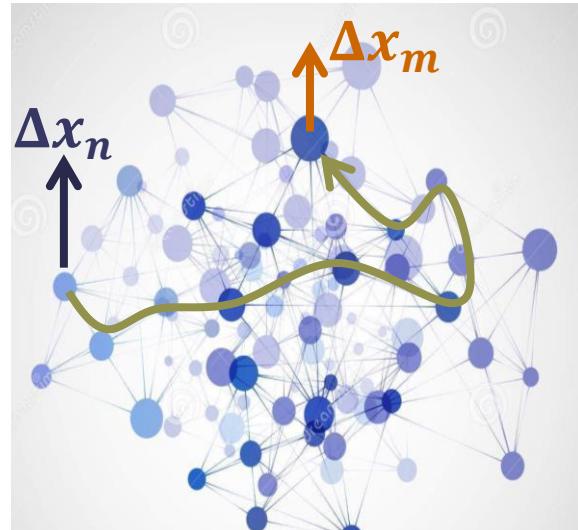


Microscopic Diversity condenses into a discrete set of  
Universality classes that determine how  
Topology translates into observable Dynamics

# Understand



# Information flow

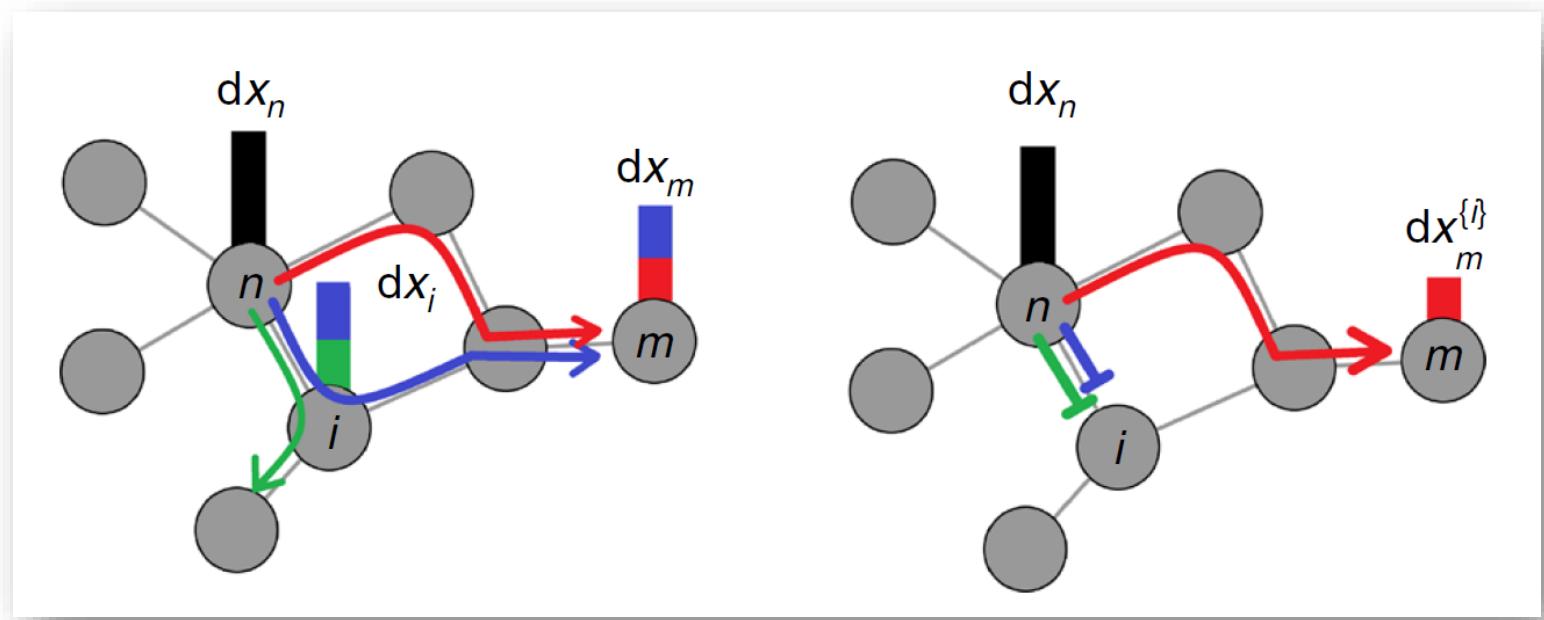
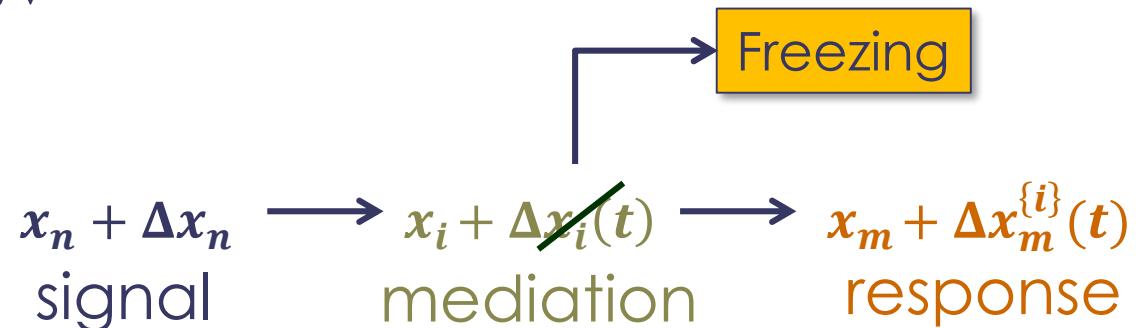


$x_n + \Delta x_n$  → signal       $x_i + \Delta x_i(t)$  → mediation       $x_m + \Delta x_m(t)$  response

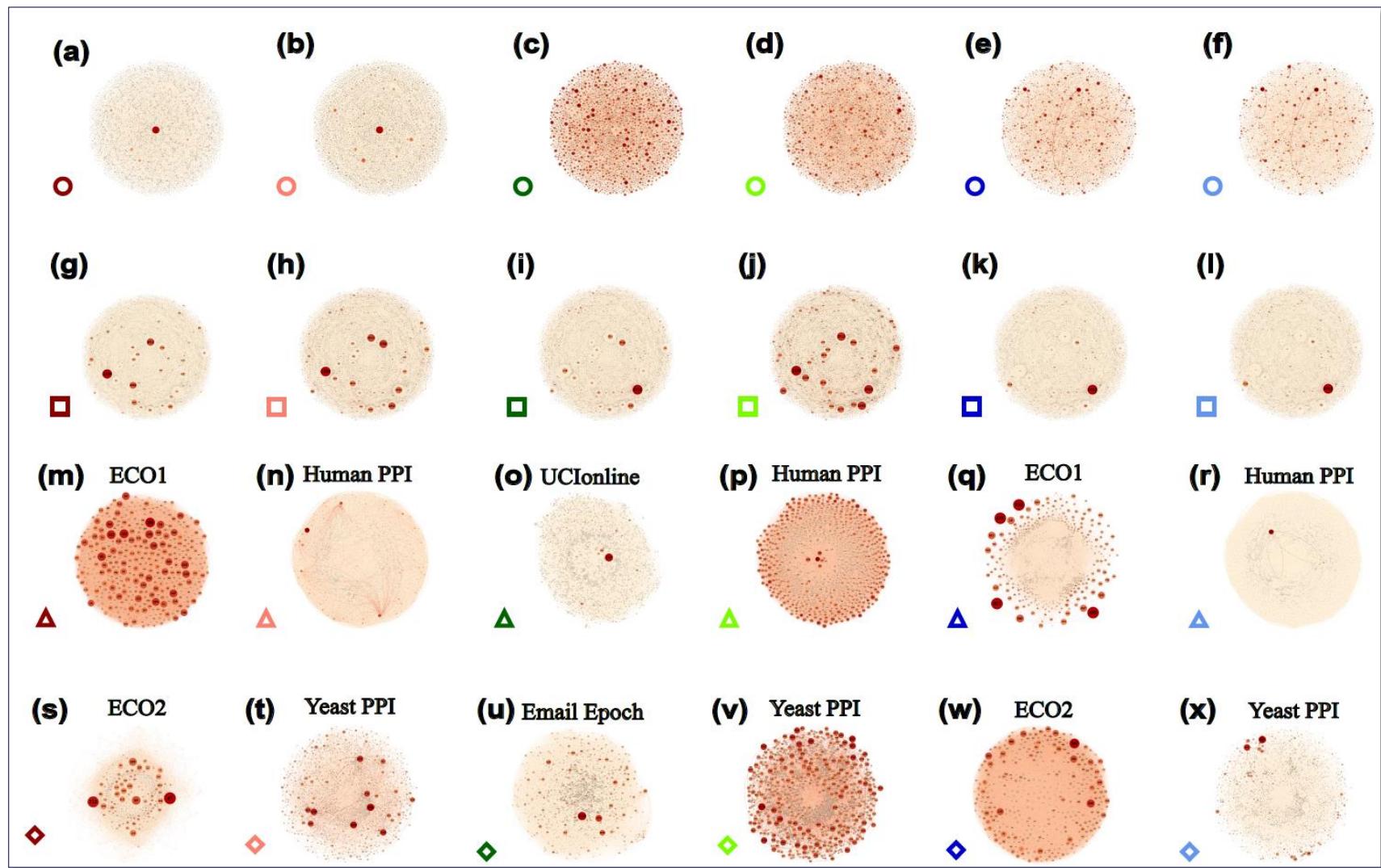
**Node flow  $\mathcal{F}_i$ :** how effective is each node in *transferring* information?

**Link flow  $\mathcal{F}_{ij}$ :** How effective is each link, pathway?

# Information flow



# The zoo of information flow patterns



# Taming the zoo of information flow patterns

$$\mathcal{F}_i \sim k_{i,\text{out}} k_{i,\text{in}}^{\omega-1}$$

$$\mathcal{F}_{ij} \sim A_{ij} k_{i,\text{out}} k_{i,\text{in}}^{\xi-1} k_{j,\text{in}}^{\xi}$$

**Node/link flow**

Dynamic function  
of interest.

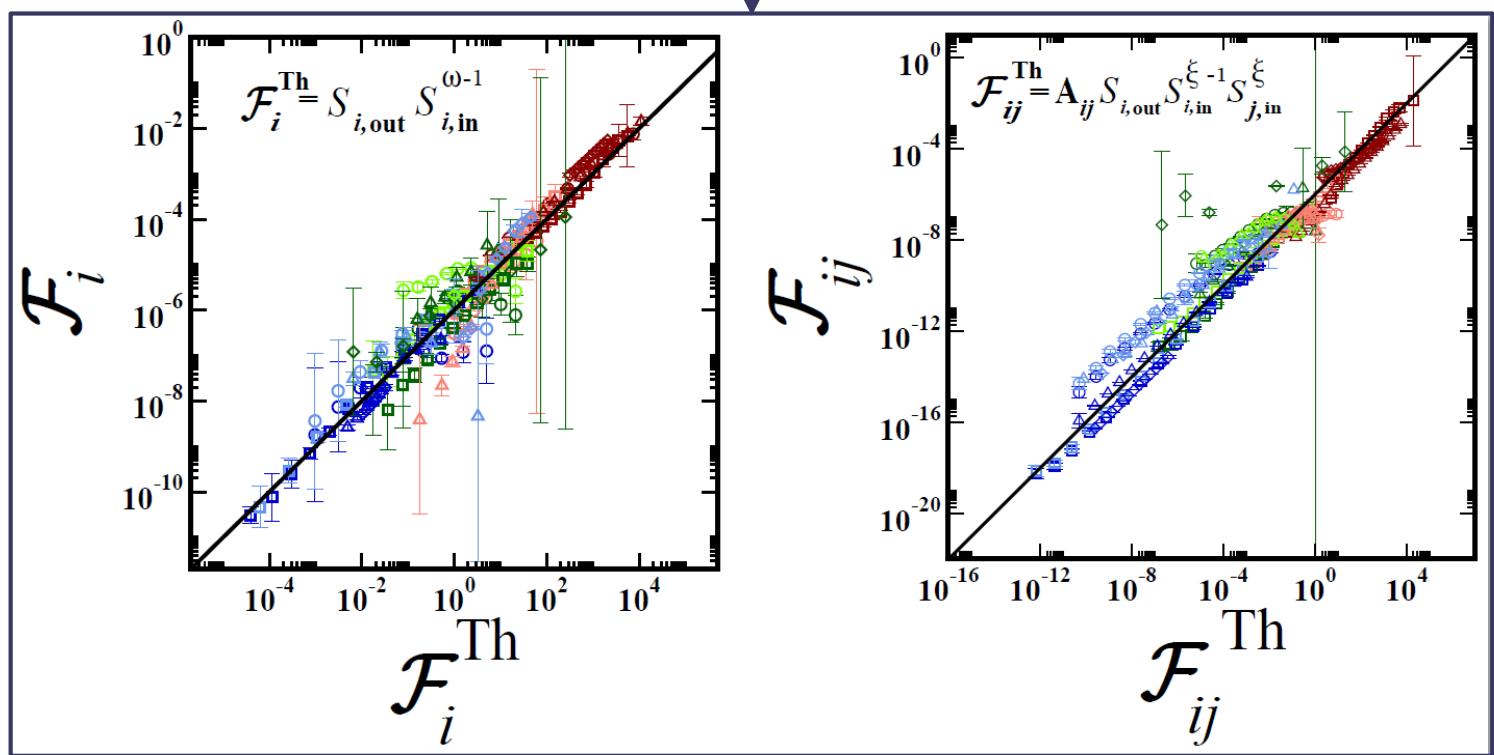
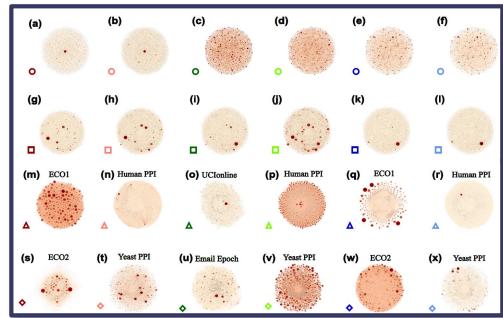
**Dynamic  
determinants**

Mapping topology into  
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$\mathcal{F}_i, \mathcal{F}_{ij}, k_{\text{in/out}}$ ,  $\omega, \xi$

**Weighted in/out degrees**  
Known topological elements

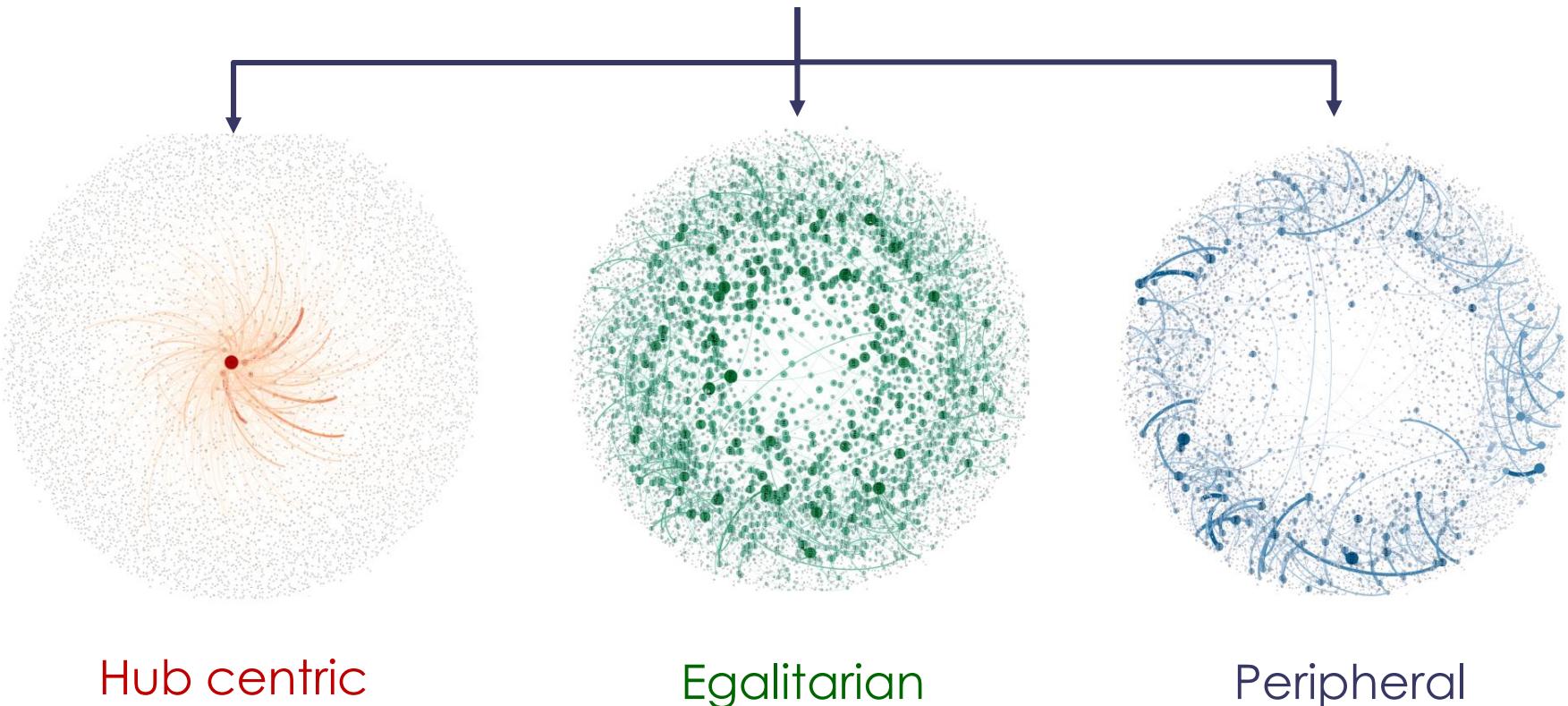
# The ~~zoo~~ universal information flow patterns



# Universal classes of information flow patterns

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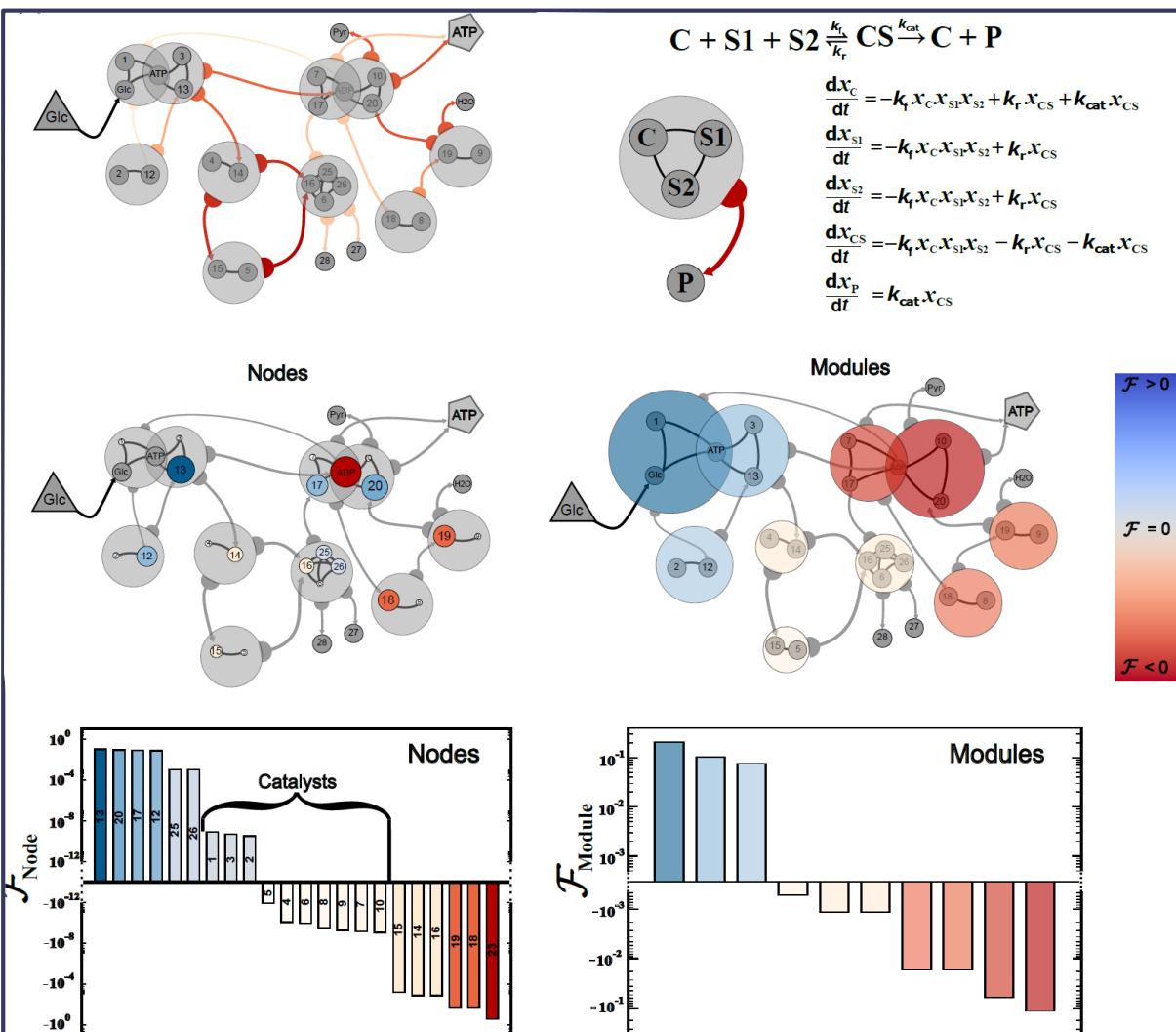


Hub centric

Egalitarian

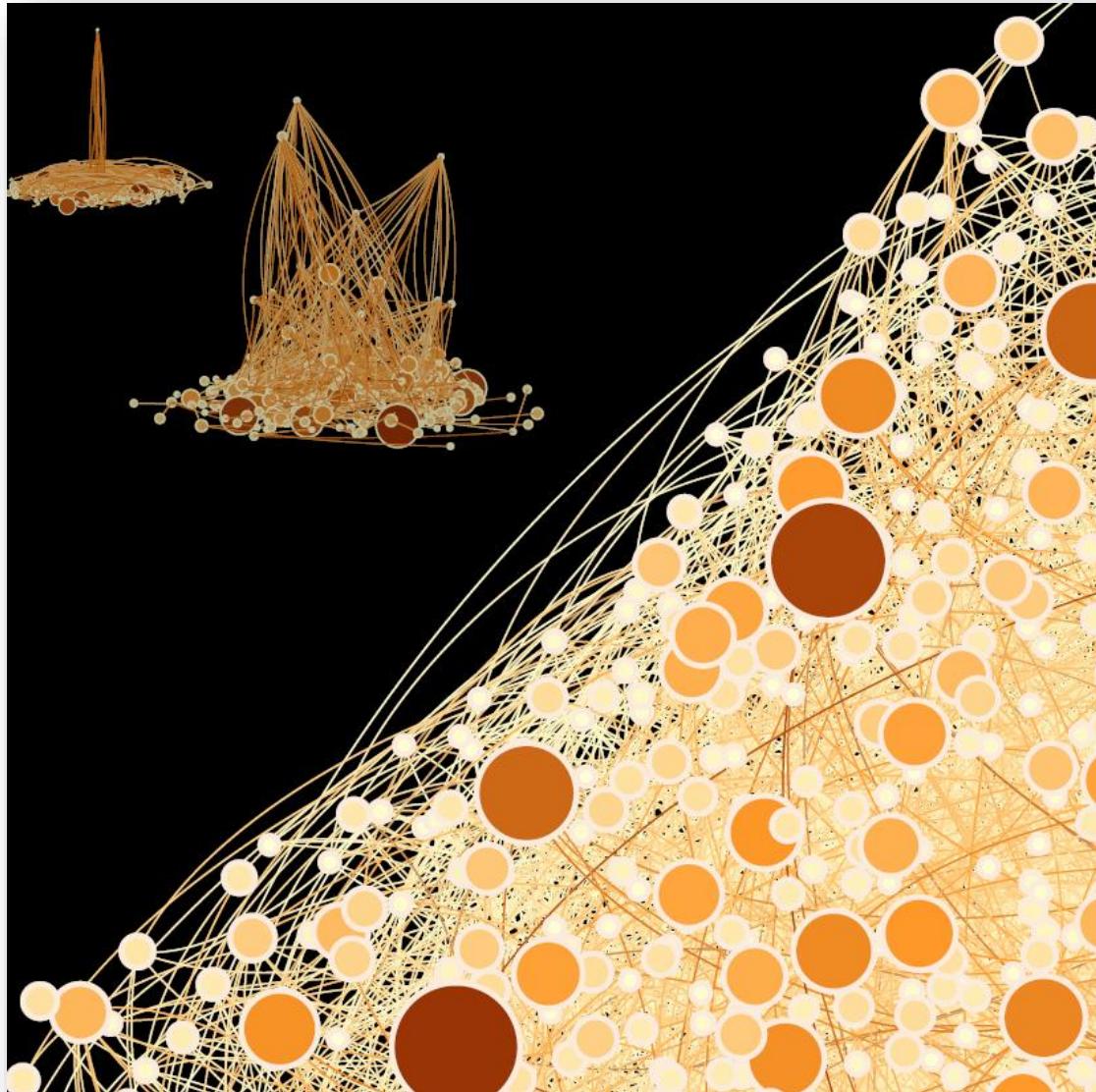
Peripheral

# Glycolysis: do cells prefer traffic jams?



Metabolism: Designed to push the mean information flow towards zero.  
Output (response) independent of Input (perturbation)

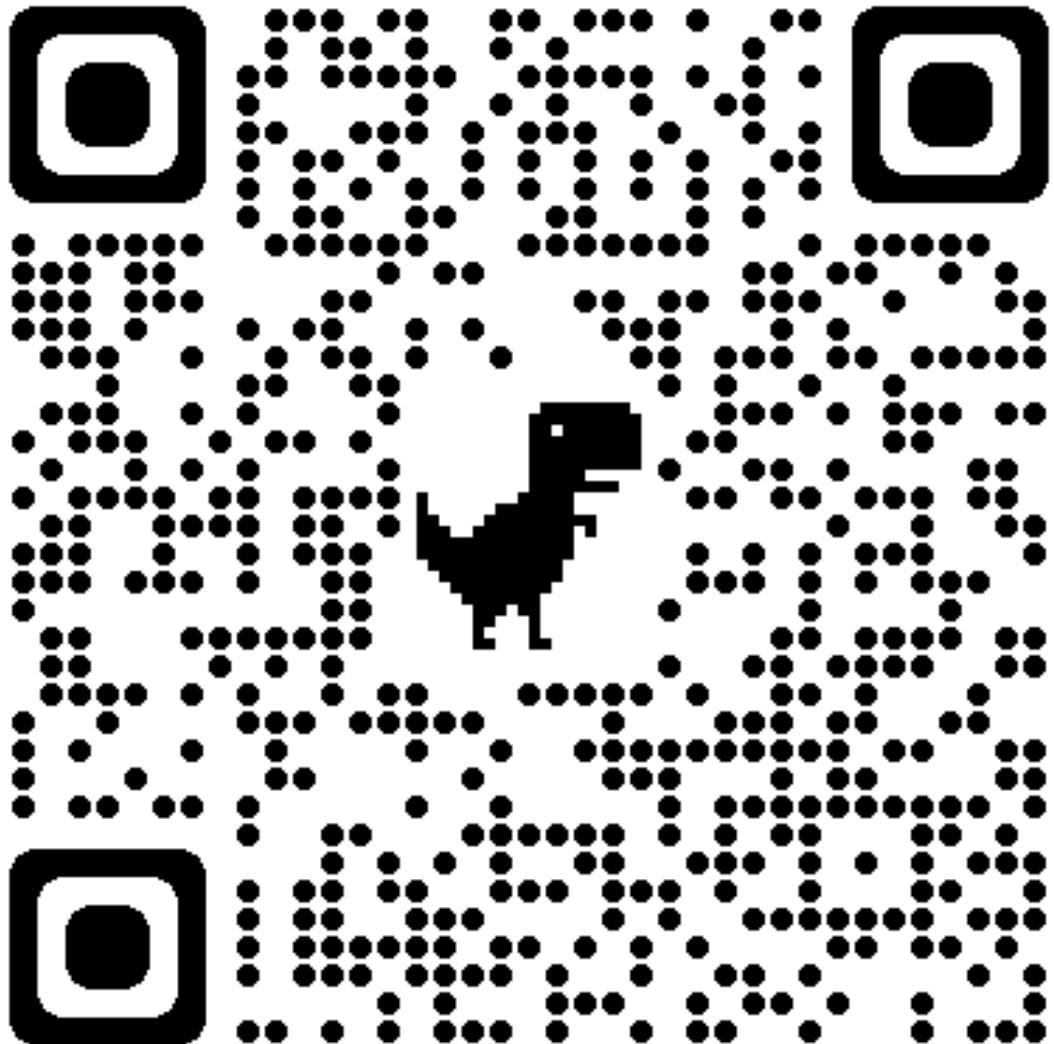
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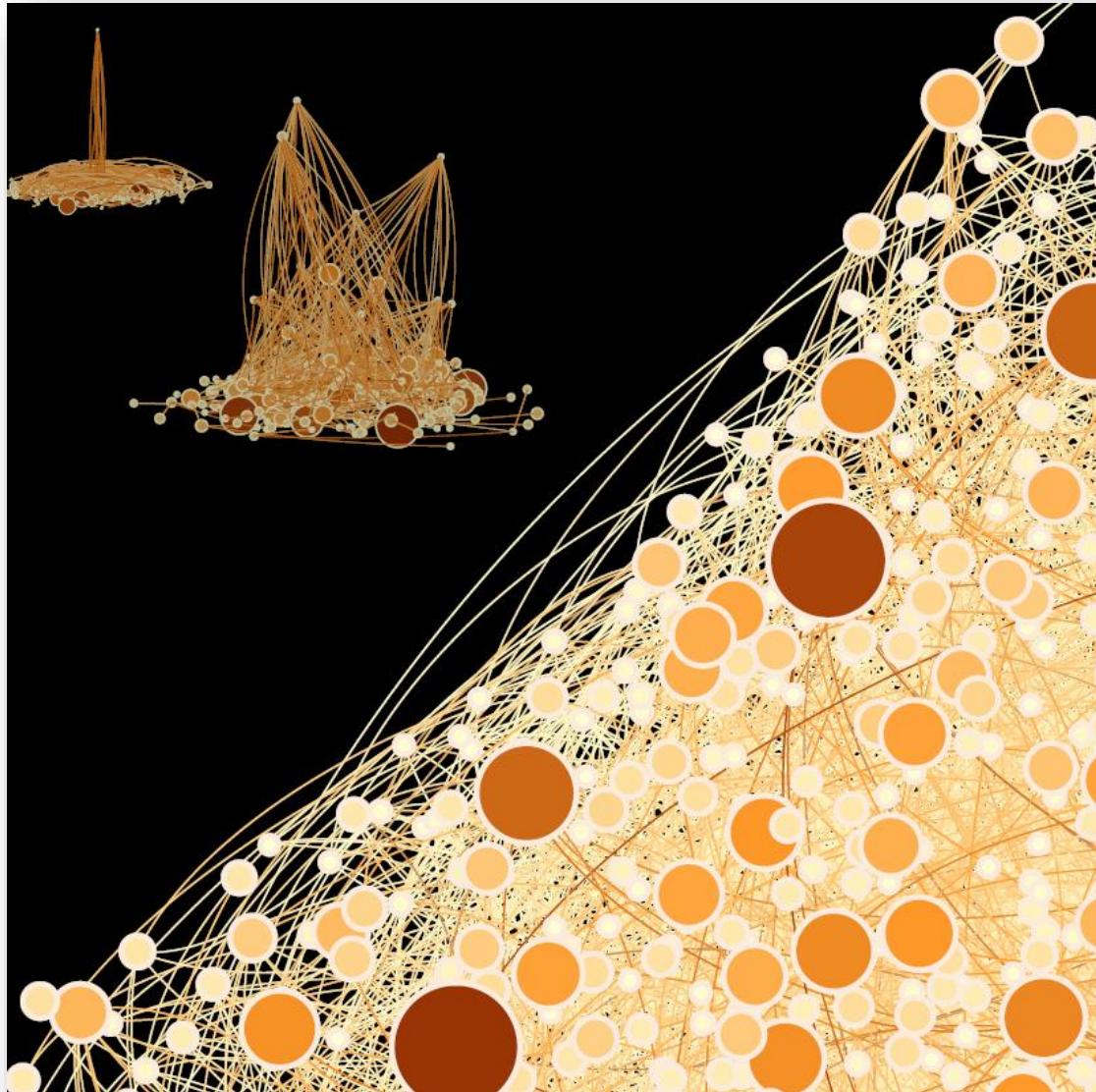


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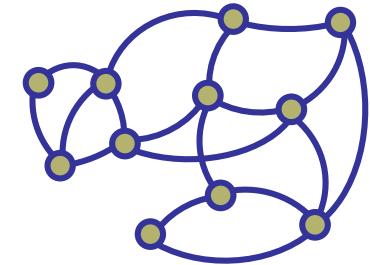
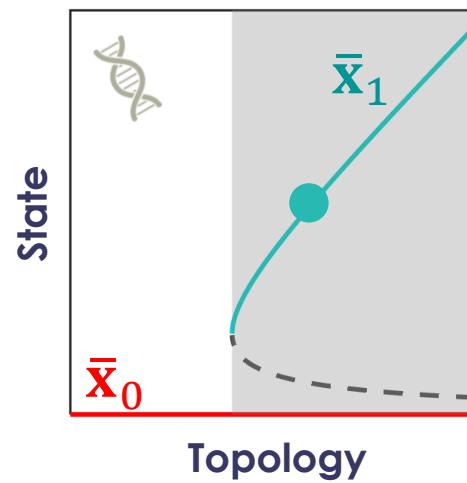
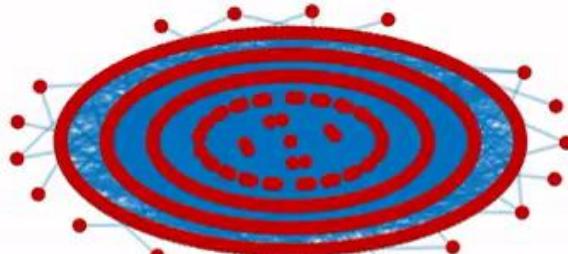
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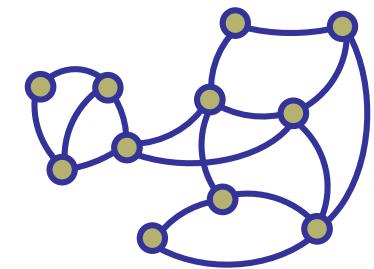
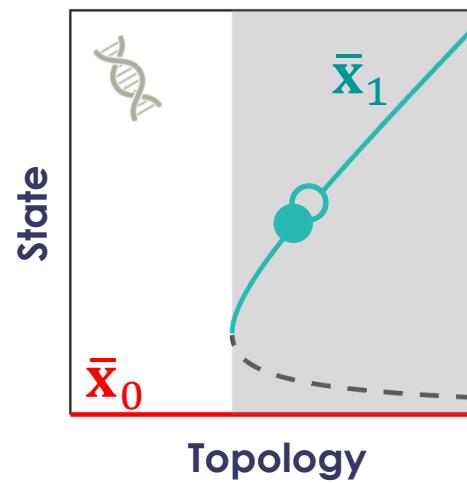
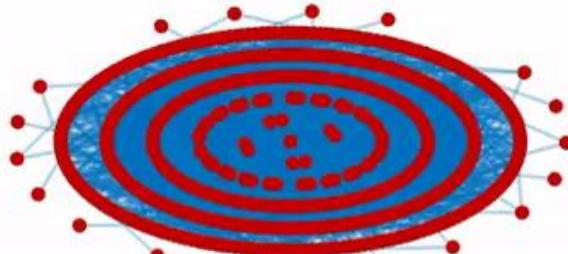
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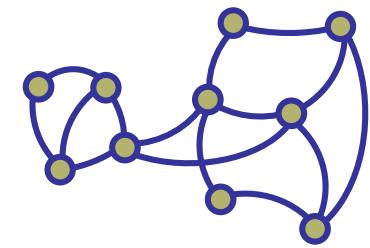
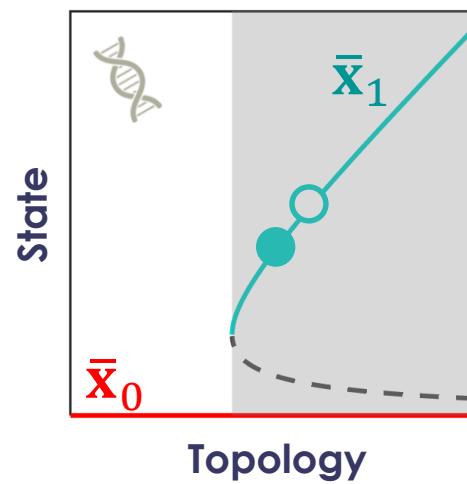
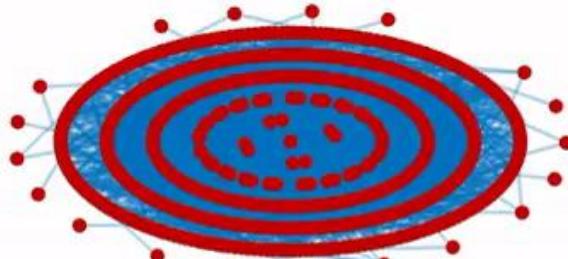
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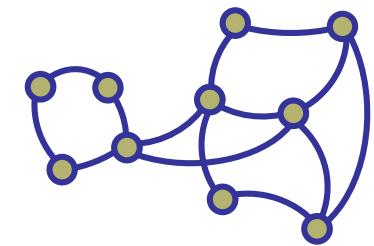
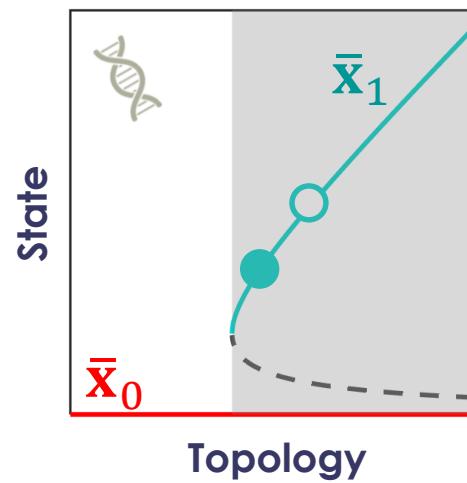
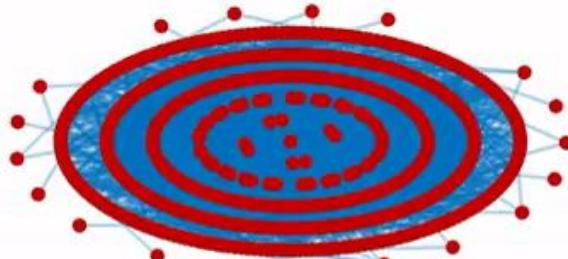
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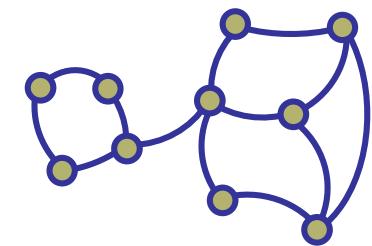
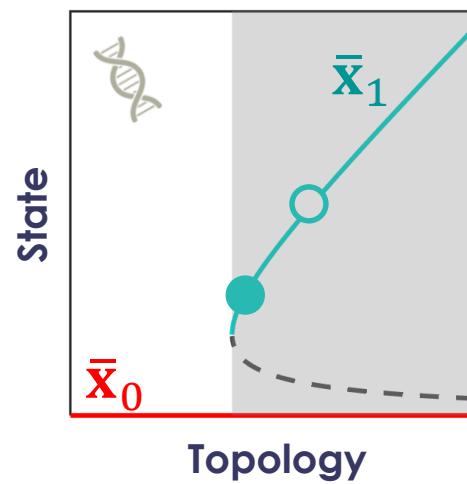
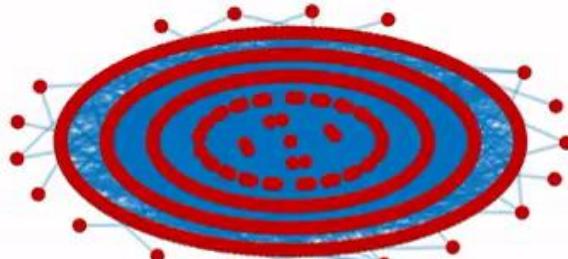
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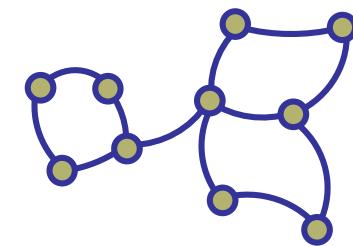
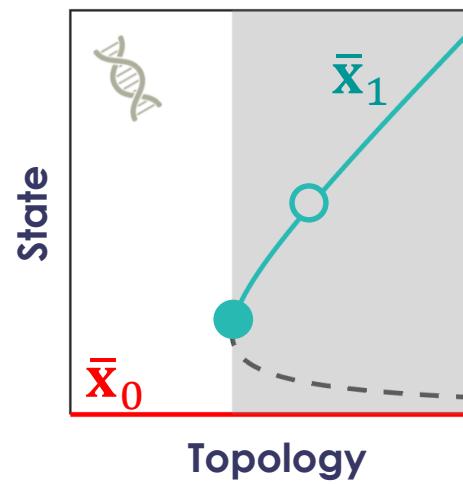
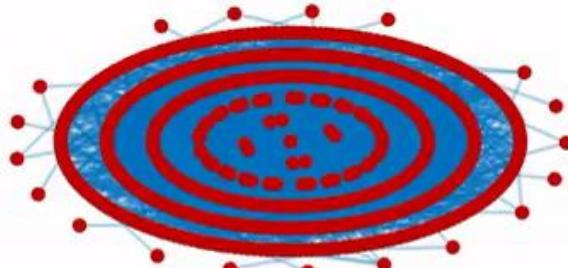
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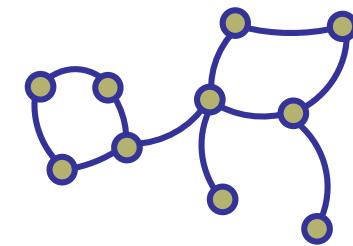
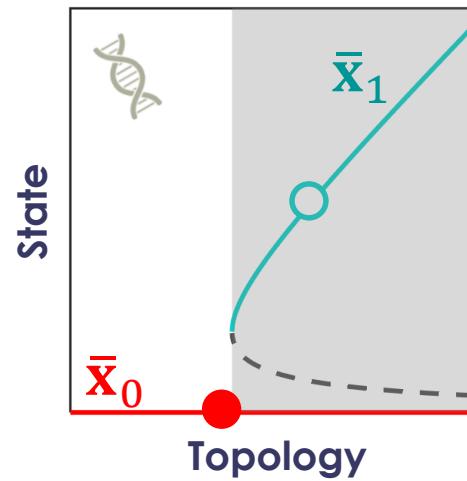
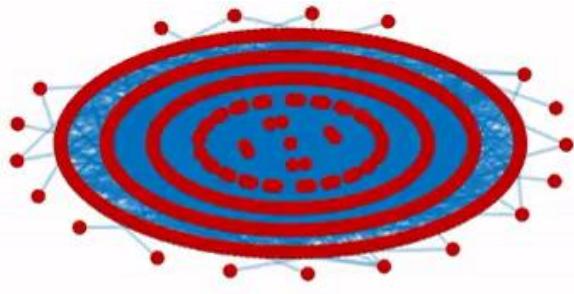
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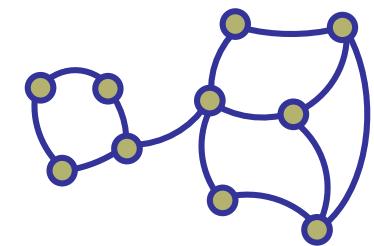
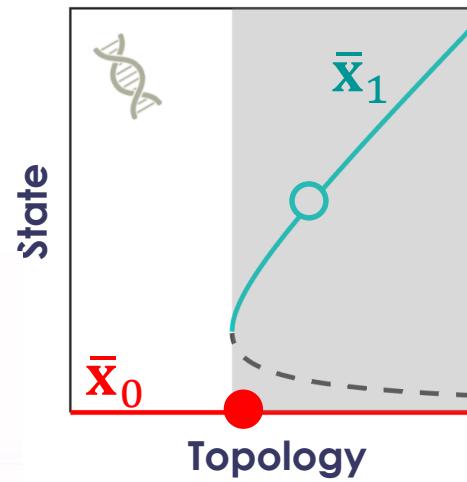
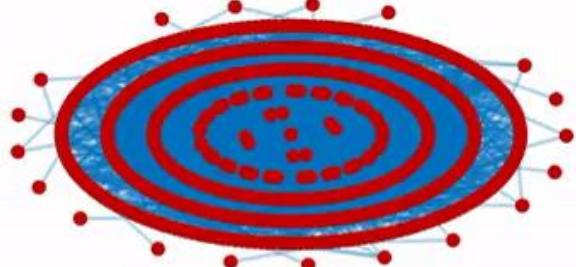
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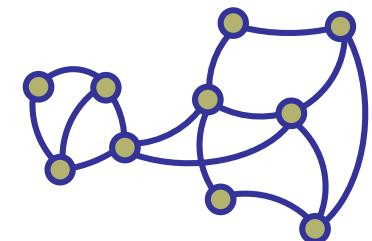
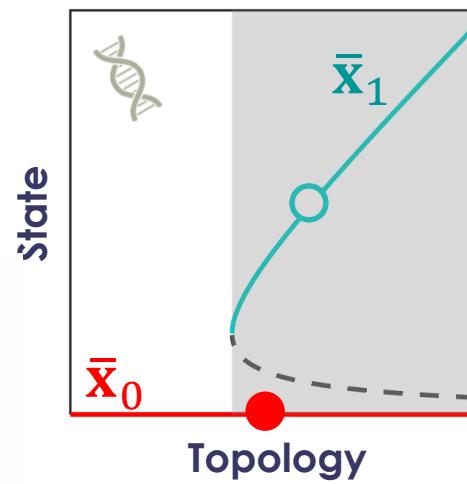
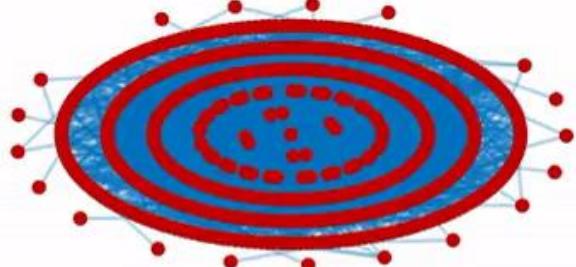
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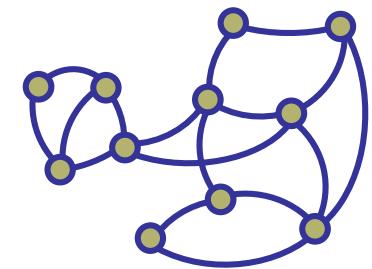
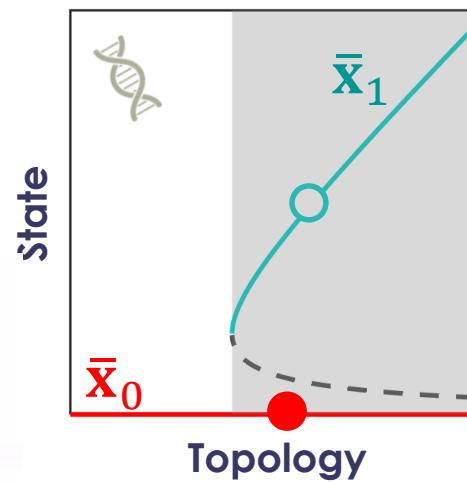
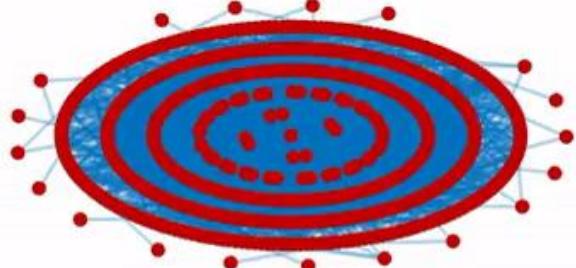
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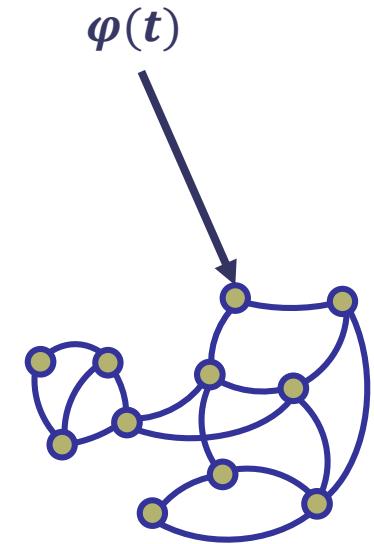
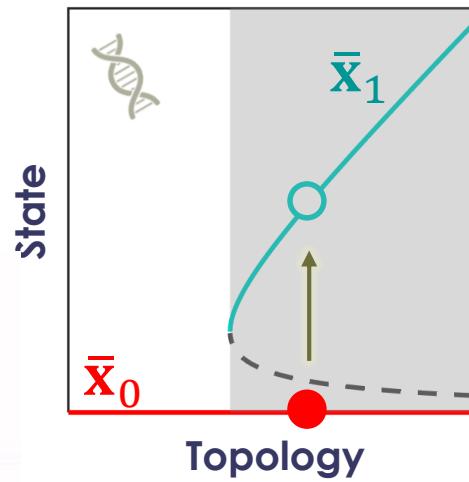
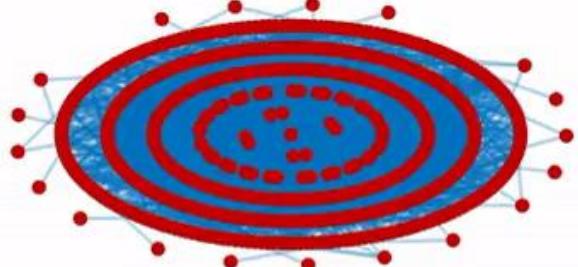
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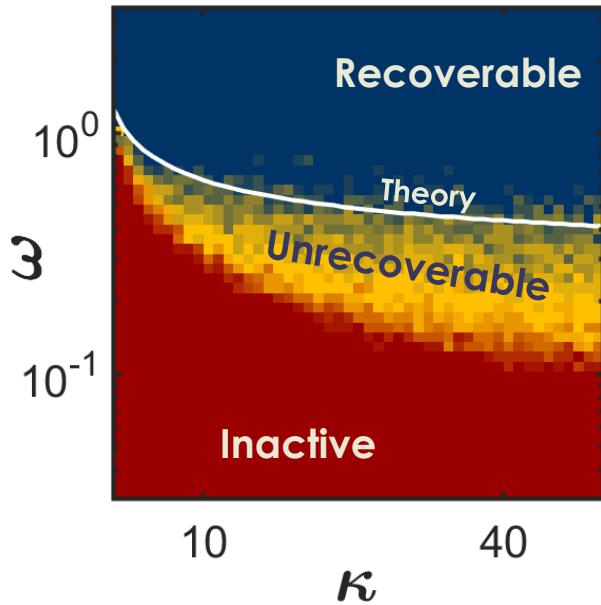
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# Reigniting the network activity

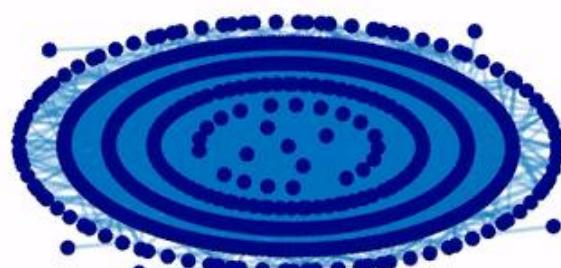
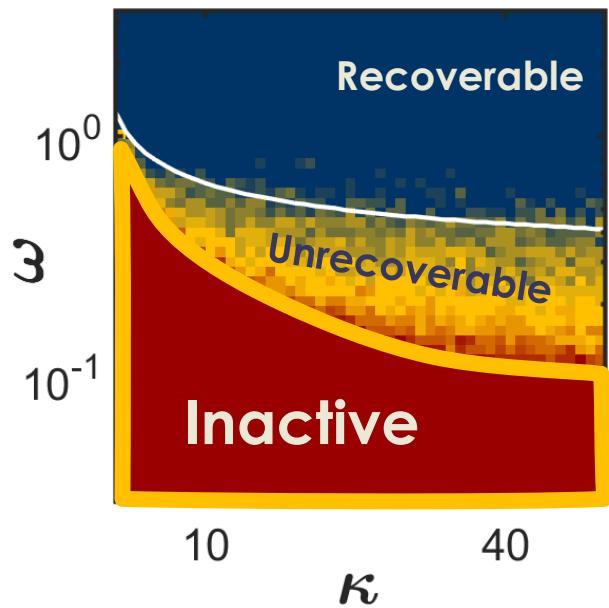


# The recoverable phase

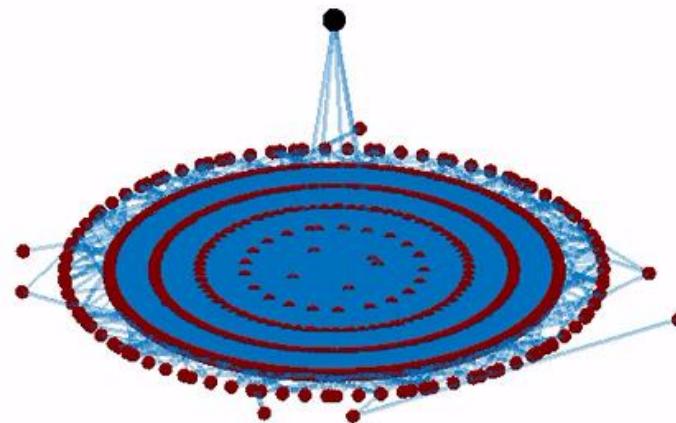
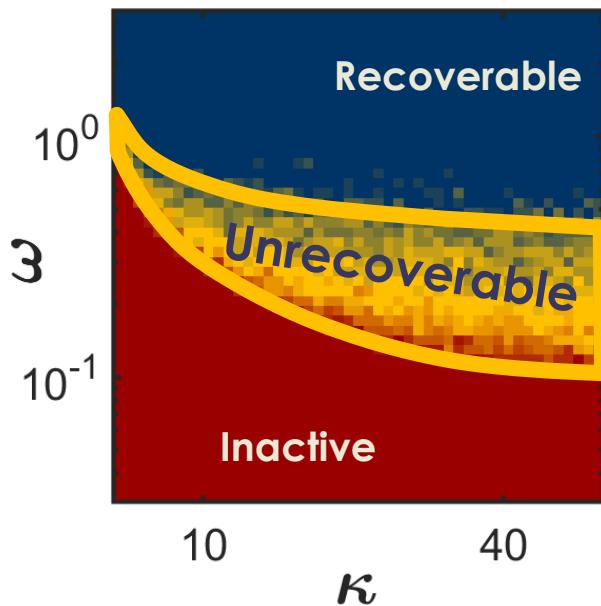


Can you reignite a failed system by controlling just one node?

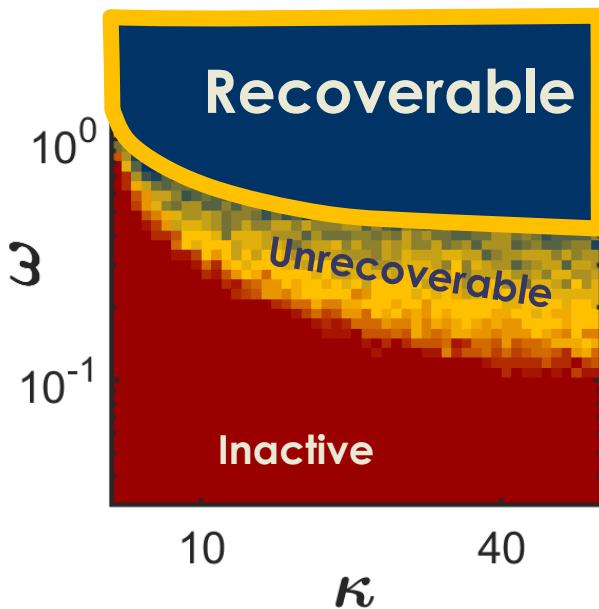
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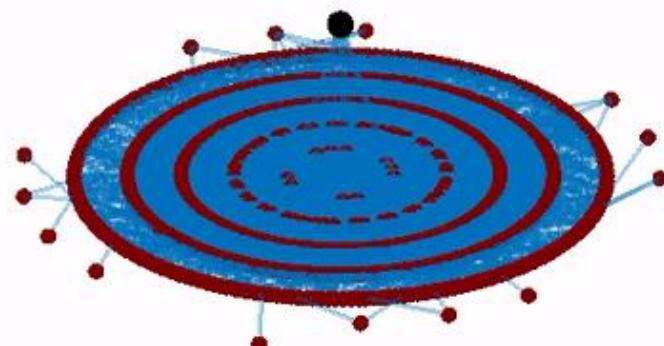
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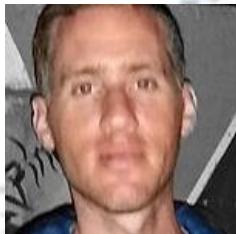
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Single node reigniting –  
reviving the failed system by  
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