

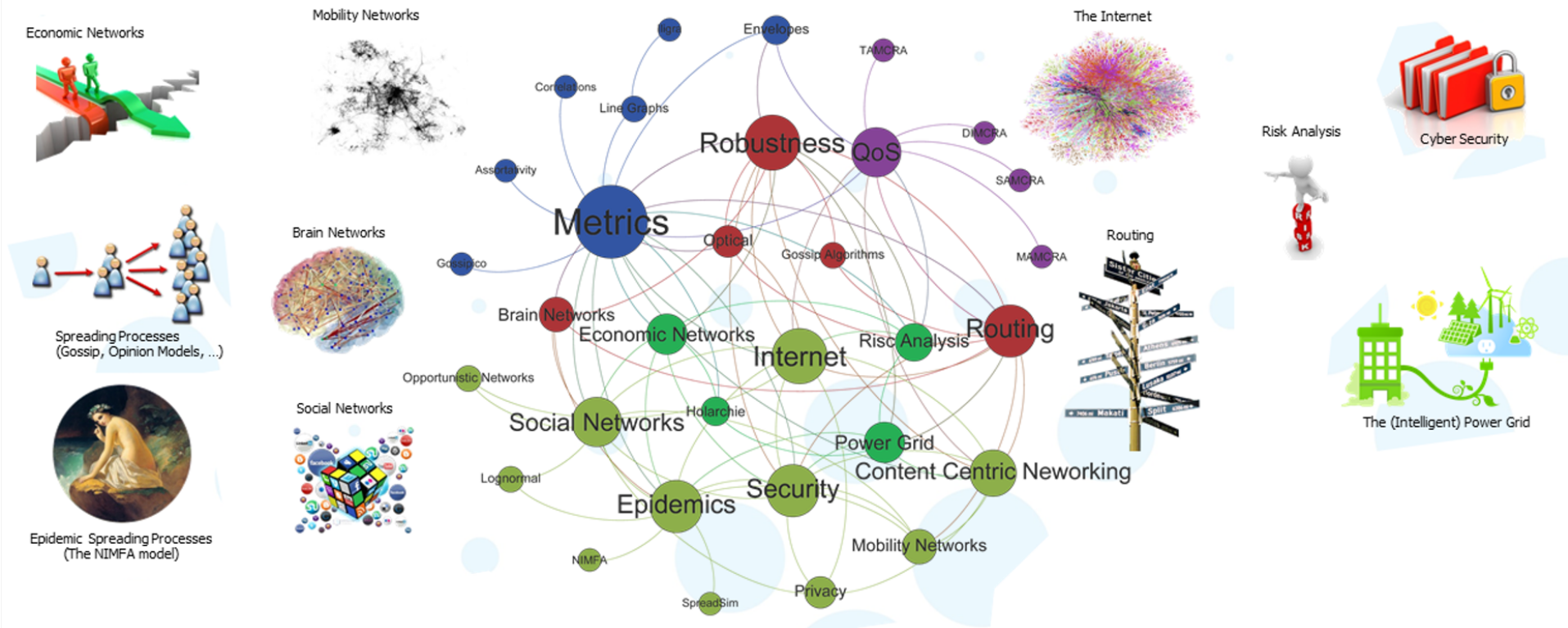
Geometric Representations of Complementarity-Driven Networks

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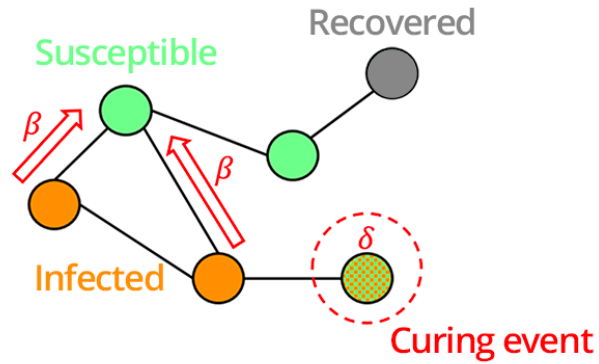


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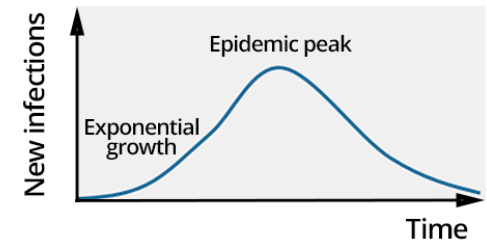


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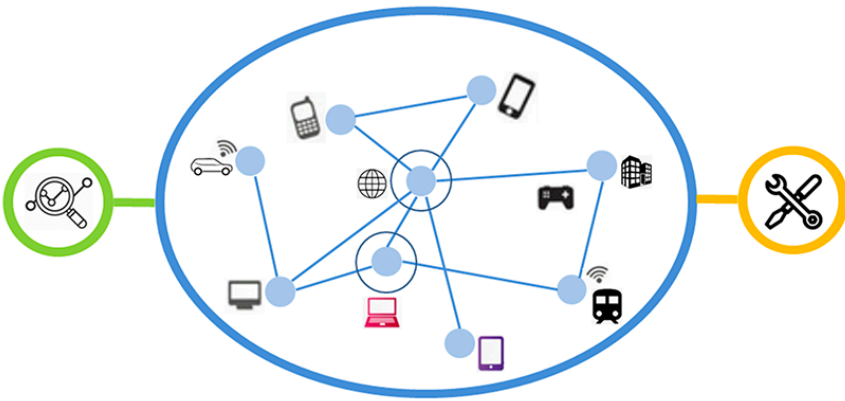


Epidemics on Networks



Robustness of Complex Networks





Control of Networks



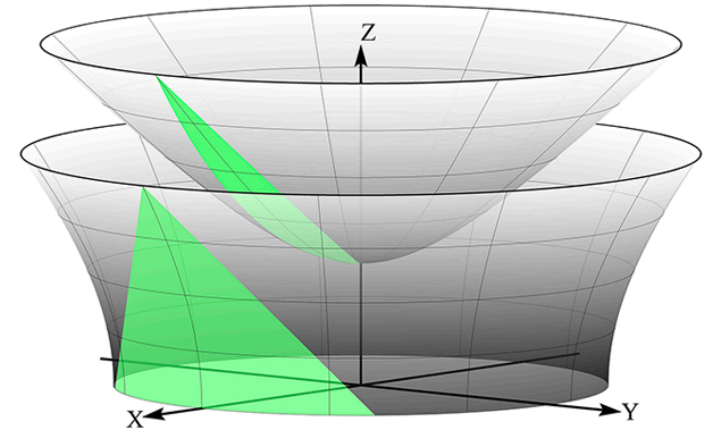
NAS Section: Research Interests



Next generation (5/6G) wireless



Network Geometry



Network Geometry aka Network Embeddings

Network Node Embedding:

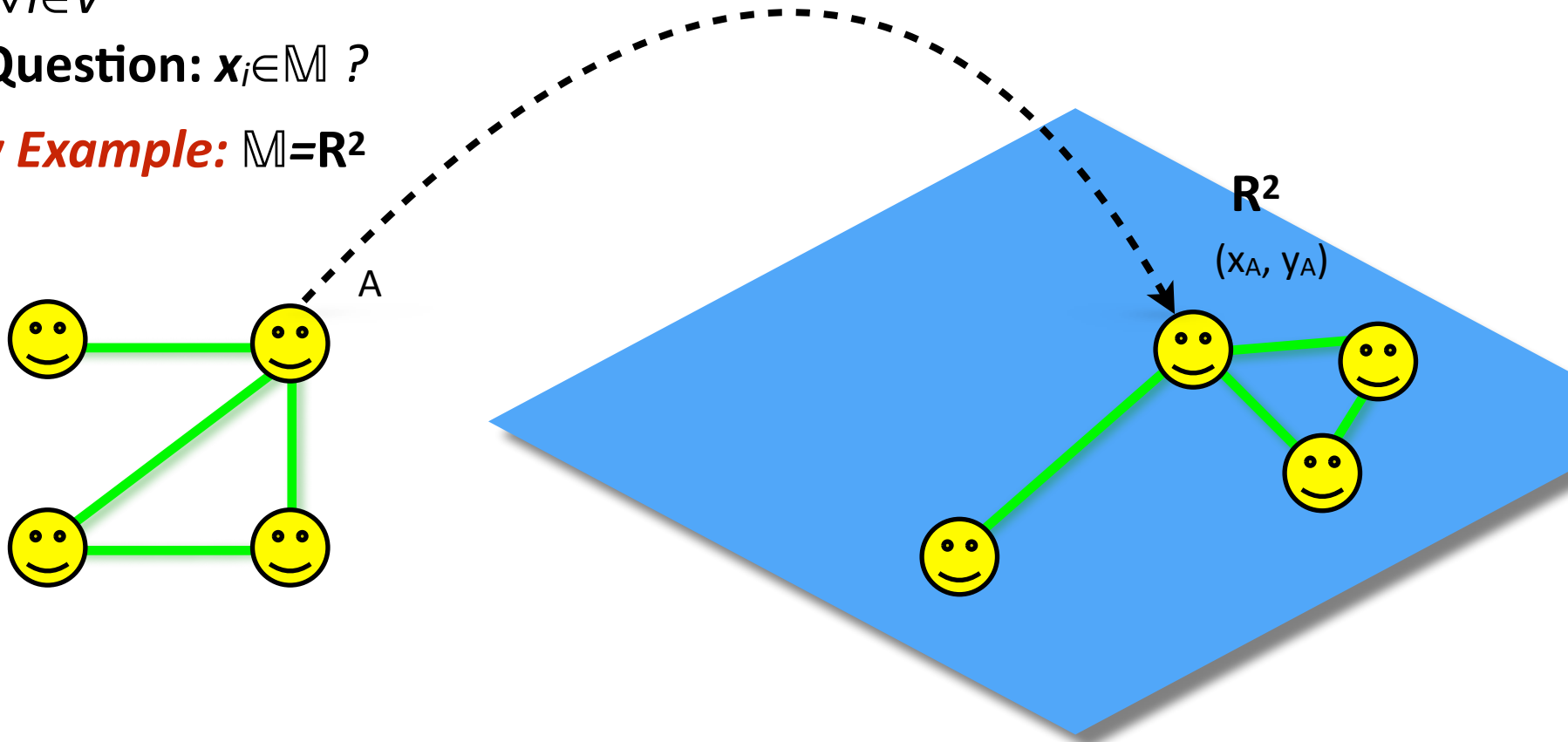
Mapping of a network to a (relatively) low-dimensional (metric) space.

Given: network $G(V, E)$ and space \mathbb{M} .

for $\forall i \in V$

Question: $x_i \in \mathbb{M}$?

Toy Example: $\mathbb{M} = \mathbb{R}^2$



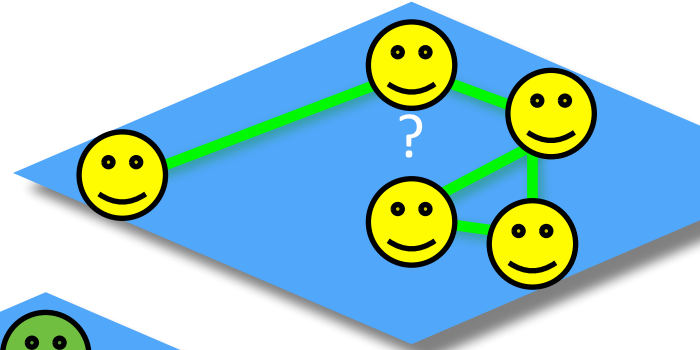
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Network Embeddings: Applications

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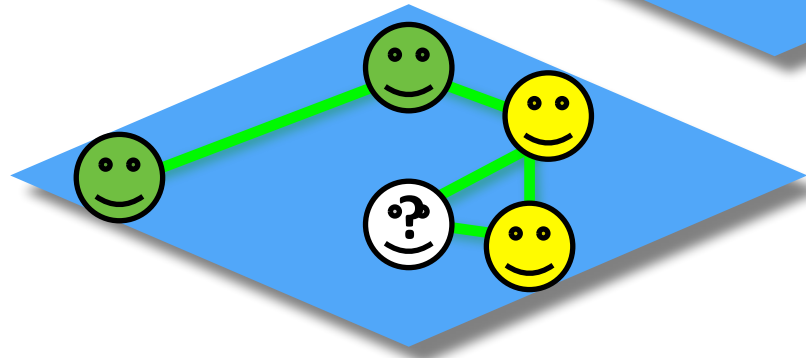
Application 1 (Network reconstruction):

e.g., unconnected nodes at small distances are missing links



Application 2 (Classification):

e.g., learn missing node attributes



Advanced Applications:

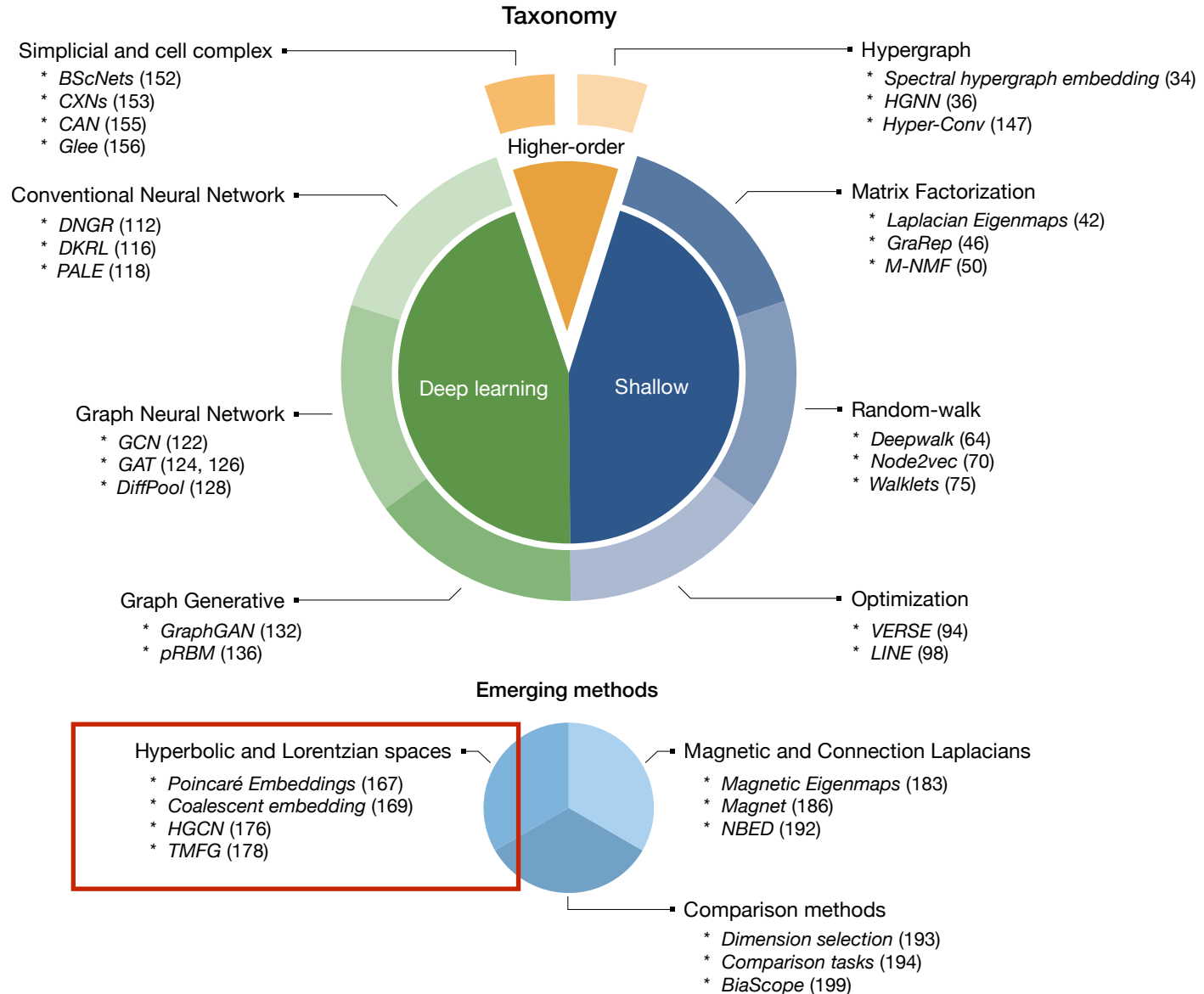
Search, e.g., S. Ratnasamy et al, *ACM SIGCOMM CCR* (2001).

Routing, e.g., M. Boguñá et al, *Nature Communications* (2010).

Shortest Path Finding in Incomplete Networks

M. Kitsak et al, *Nature Communications* (2023).

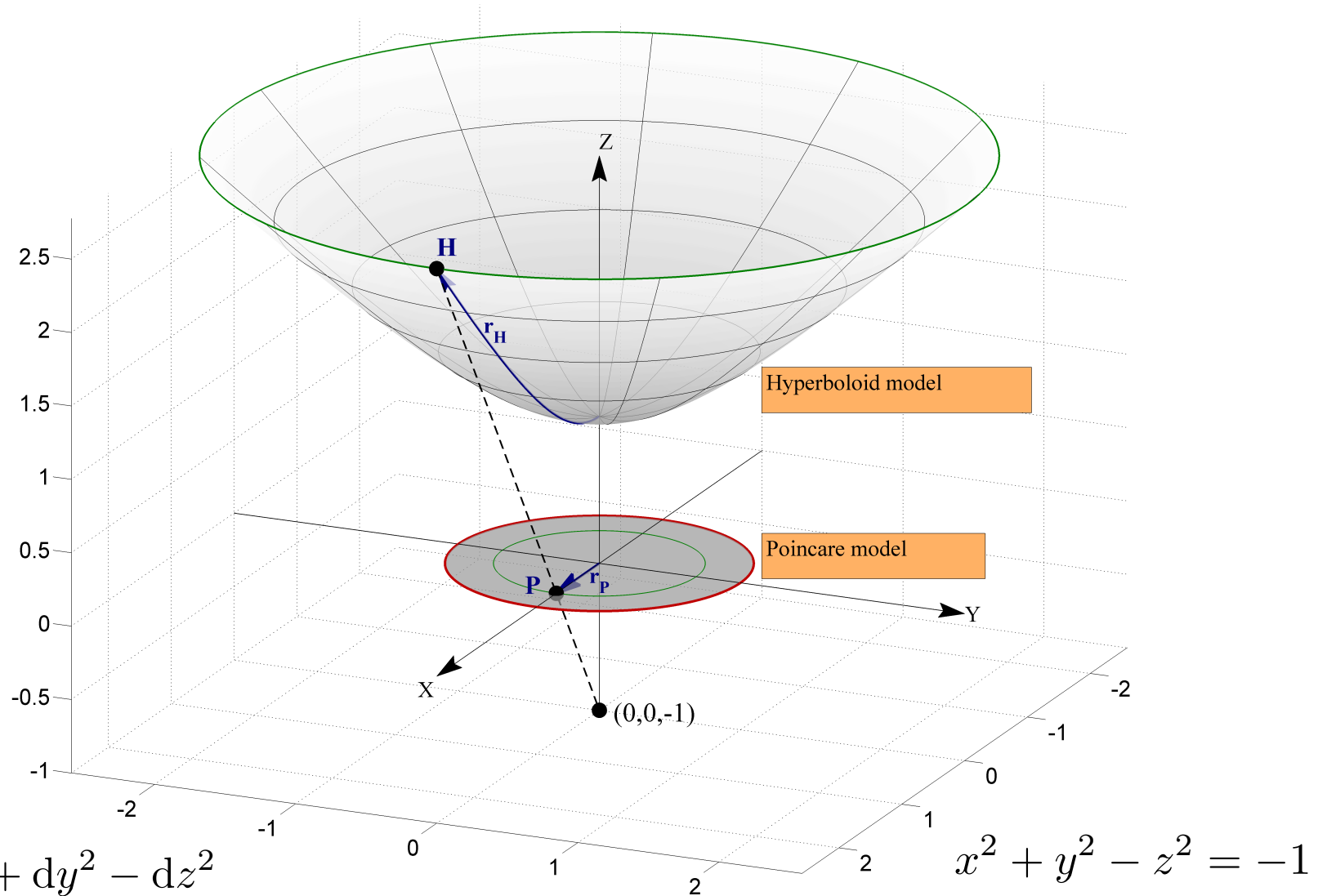
Taxonomy of Network Embeddings



Hyperbolic Network Embeddings

Embedding space is a low-dimensional hyperbolic disk, $\mathbb{M} = \mathbb{H}^D$

Hyperbolic = Curvature $K < 0$



Why Hyperbolic Space?

Volume:

$$V \propto R^2$$

$$V \propto \text{Cosh}(R) \sim \text{Exp}(R)$$

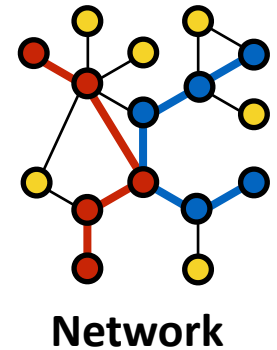
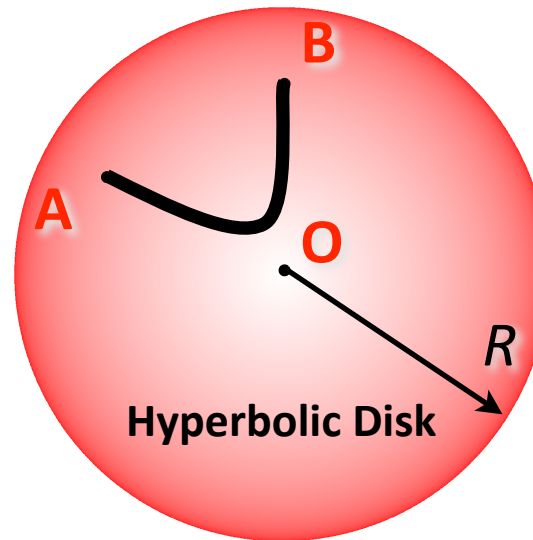
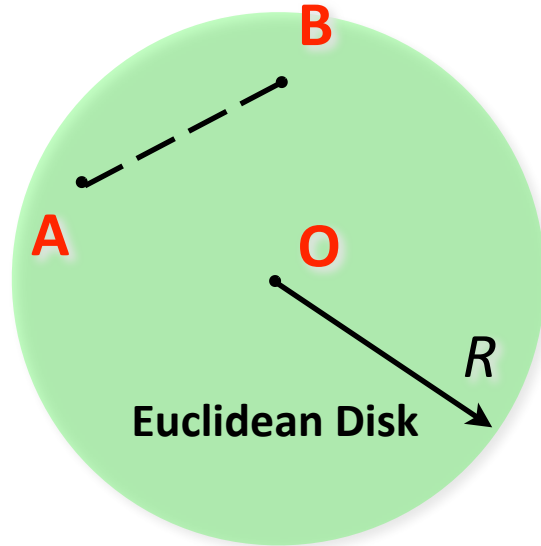
$$d \sim \text{Ln}(N)$$

Geodesic:

Straight line

“Biased” towards center

Shortest paths tend to pass large degree nodes



Hyperbolic disk expands exponentially!
Hyperbolic geodesics are “biased” towards disk center!

D. Krioukov et al, *Phys.Rev. E*. (2010)
M. Kitsak et al, *Phys. Rev. Research* (2020)
M. Boguñá et al, *Nat. Rev. Physics* (2021)
M. Kitsak et al, *Nat. Comm.* (2023)

Are All Networks Embeddable (Effectively Geometric)? **Not at all!**

Counter Example: $G(n,p)$ Connect each node pair with probability p

Open Hard Questions that are Underrated:

Q1: Is the network of interest effectively geometric?

D. Krioukov, "Clustering implies geometry in networks", *Phys. Rev. Lett.* (2016).

M. Boguñá et al, "Small worlds and clustering in spatial networks", *Phys. Rev. Res.* (2020).

Q2: What are the properties of the latent space \mathbb{M} ?

E.g., curvature? dimensionality? volume?

Y. Ollivier, "Ricci curvature of metric spaces", *C. R. Math. Acad. Sci. Paris* (2007).

P. van der Hoorn et al, "Ollivier Curvature of Random Geometric Graphs Converges to Ricci Curvature of Their Riemannian Manifolds", *Discrete & Computational Geometry* (2023).

P. A. Blanco et al, "Detecting the ultra low dimensionality of real networks", *Nat. Comm.* (2022).

Why Geometric Methods Dominate NetSci/ML/DataSci?

Similarity Principle: *Birds of a Feather Flock Together*

In Network Science: *Connections are Likely Between Similar Nodes*

Why?

Network science has been fueled by *social sciences* in early 2000s
because social network data is relatively easy to connect



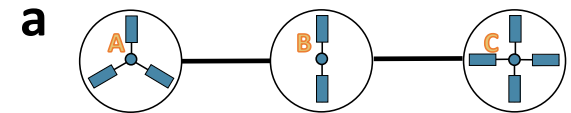
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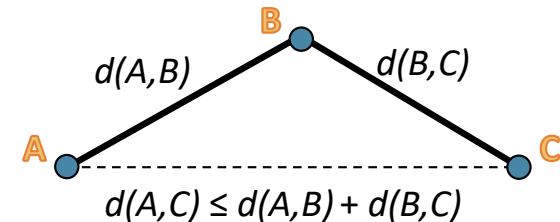
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Why? Similarity is very *intuitive* owing to its **transitivity**:

A similar to B, B similar to C \rightarrow A similar to C



So is our 3D(+1) *Euclidean* world: Euclidean space is metric: $d(A,C) \leq d(A,B) + d(B,C)$



It easy to think of networks using physics intuition:

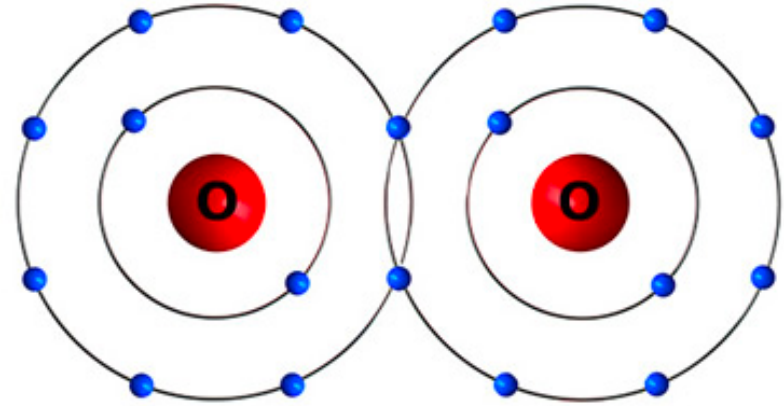
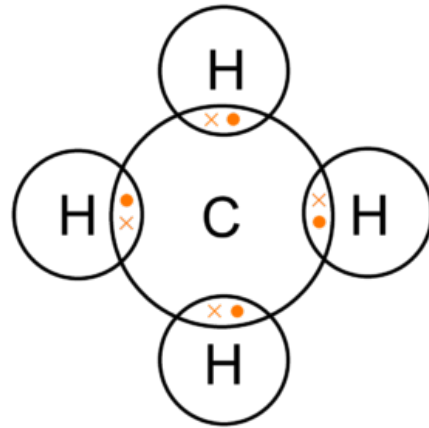
Nodes are points, links appear between close nodes.

Paths are nothing else but trajectories.

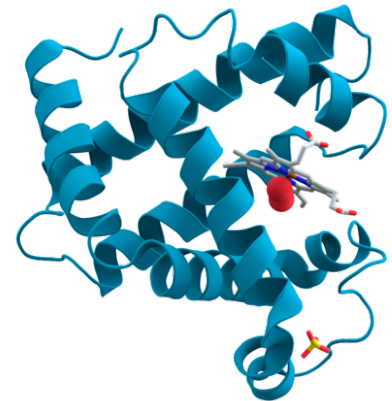
Communities are dense regions of space where a lot of nodes are.

A lot of Networks that are Complementarity-Based

Example 1 (Chemistry 101): Covalent Bonds: sharing electrons between atoms.



Proteins perform a vast array of functions within organisms



myoglobin (source: Wikipedia)

A. J. McCoy, V. Chandana Epa, and P. M. Colman, *Electrostatic complementarity at protein/protein interfaces 1* Edited by B. Honig, J. Mol. Biol. **268**, 570 (1997).

Q. Zhang, M. Sanner, and A. J. Olson, *Shape complementarity of protein-protein complexes at multiple resolutions*, Proteins Struct. Funct. Bioinforma. **75**, 453 (2009).

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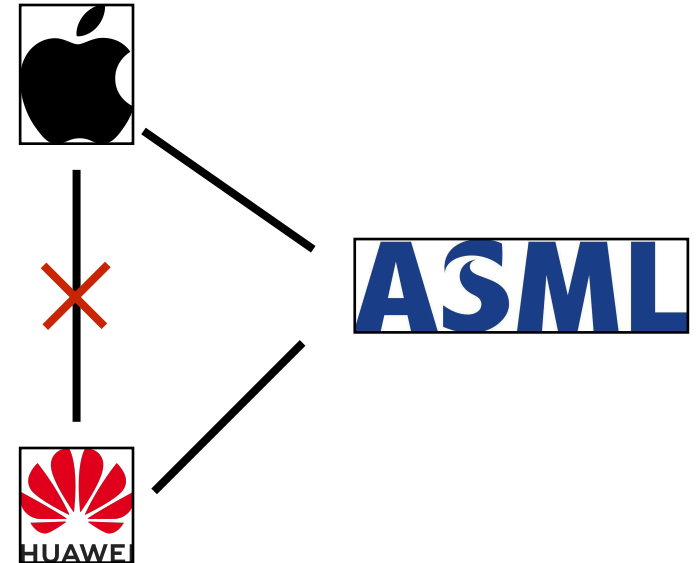
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Example 2: Interdisciplinary collaborations:

Scientists with complementary skills can benefit in collaborations:

BioInformatics
Quantum Computing
Medical Physics
Political Data Science

Example 3: Business (trading) networks



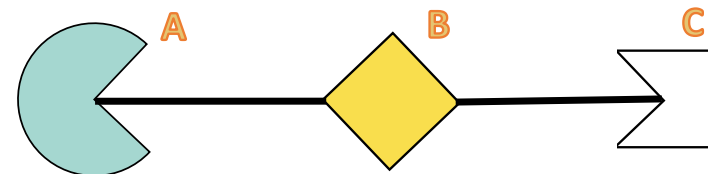
Example 4: Text

Words appear in text to complement each other towards certain message.

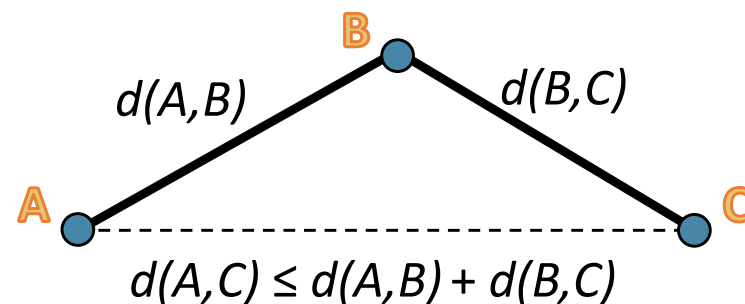
He was an old man who fished alone in a skiff in the Gulf Stream and he had gone eighty-four days now without taking a fish.

Off-the-Shelf Geometric Methods Fail for Complementarity Networks!

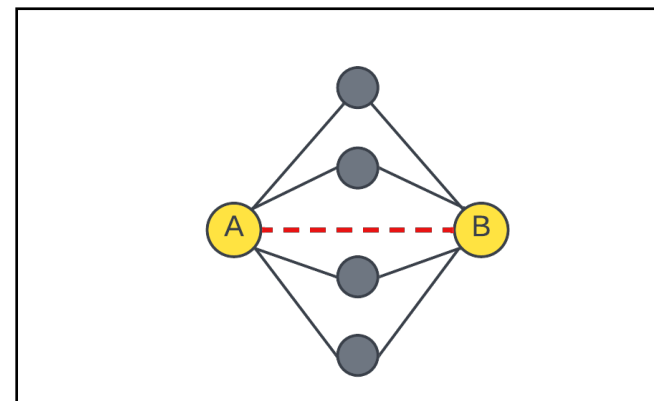
Complementarity is not transitive! A compl B, B compl C, **do not imply** A compl C



Applying similarity philosophy
leads to inference errors!



Common neighbors do not imply links!



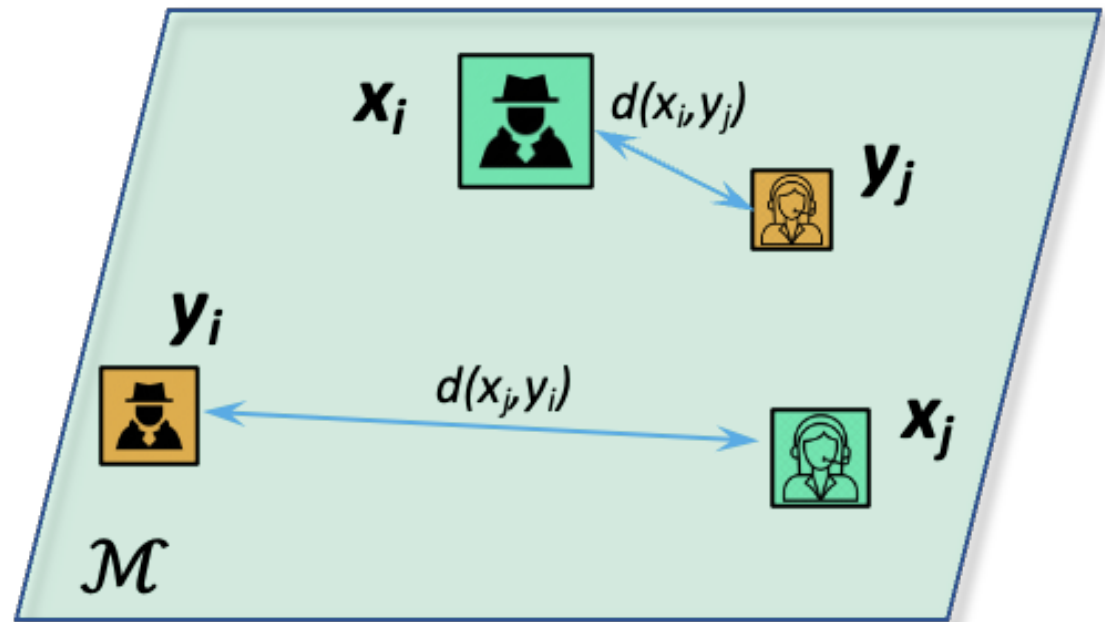
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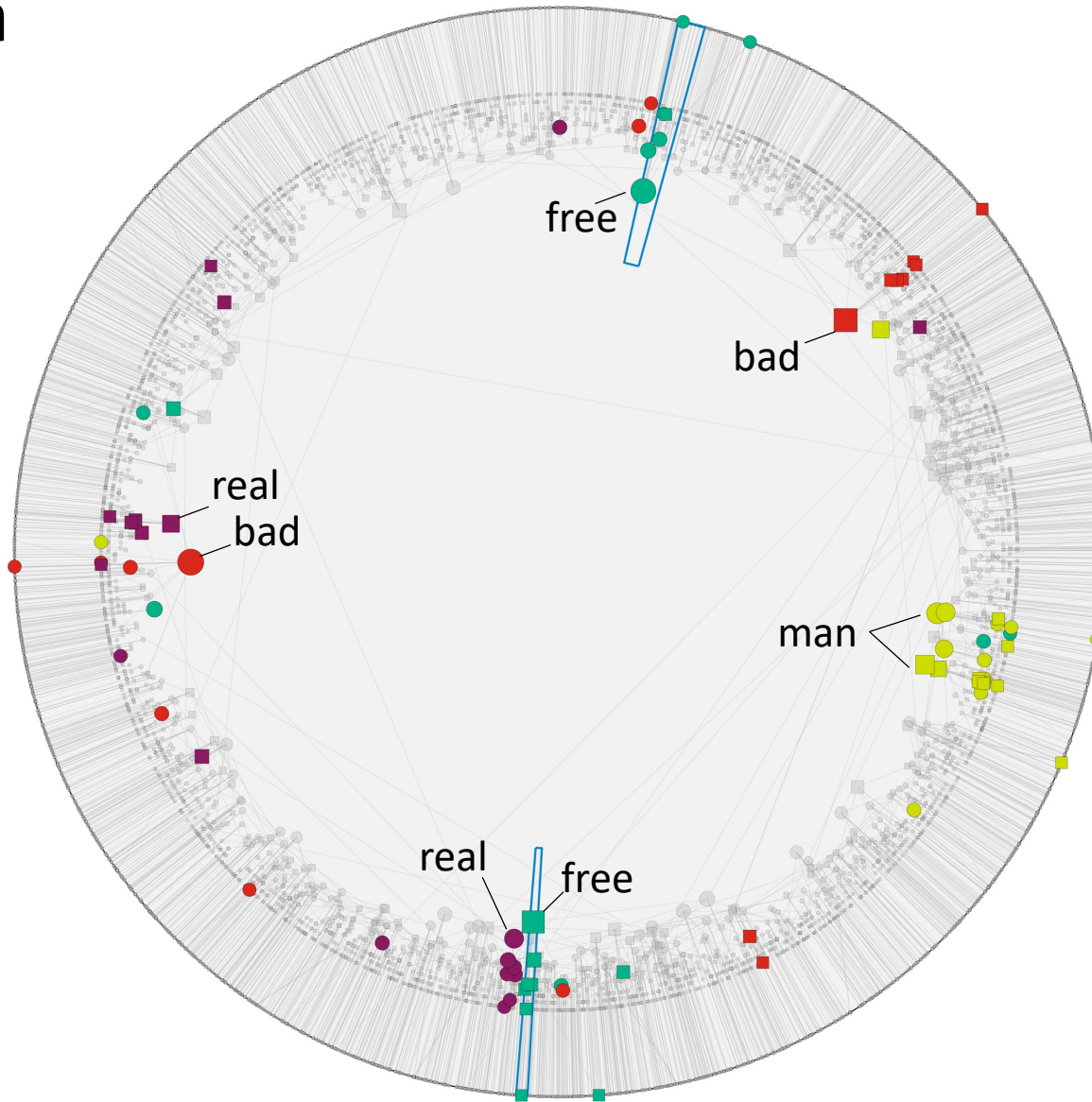
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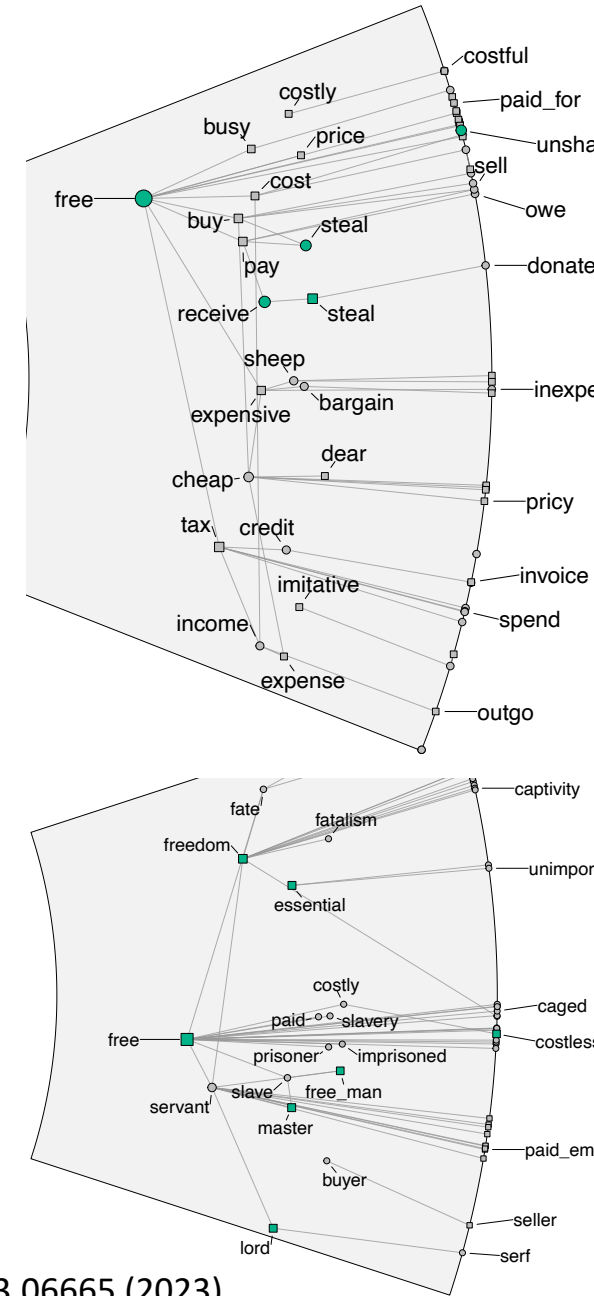


Complementarity Representation of the Antonym Network

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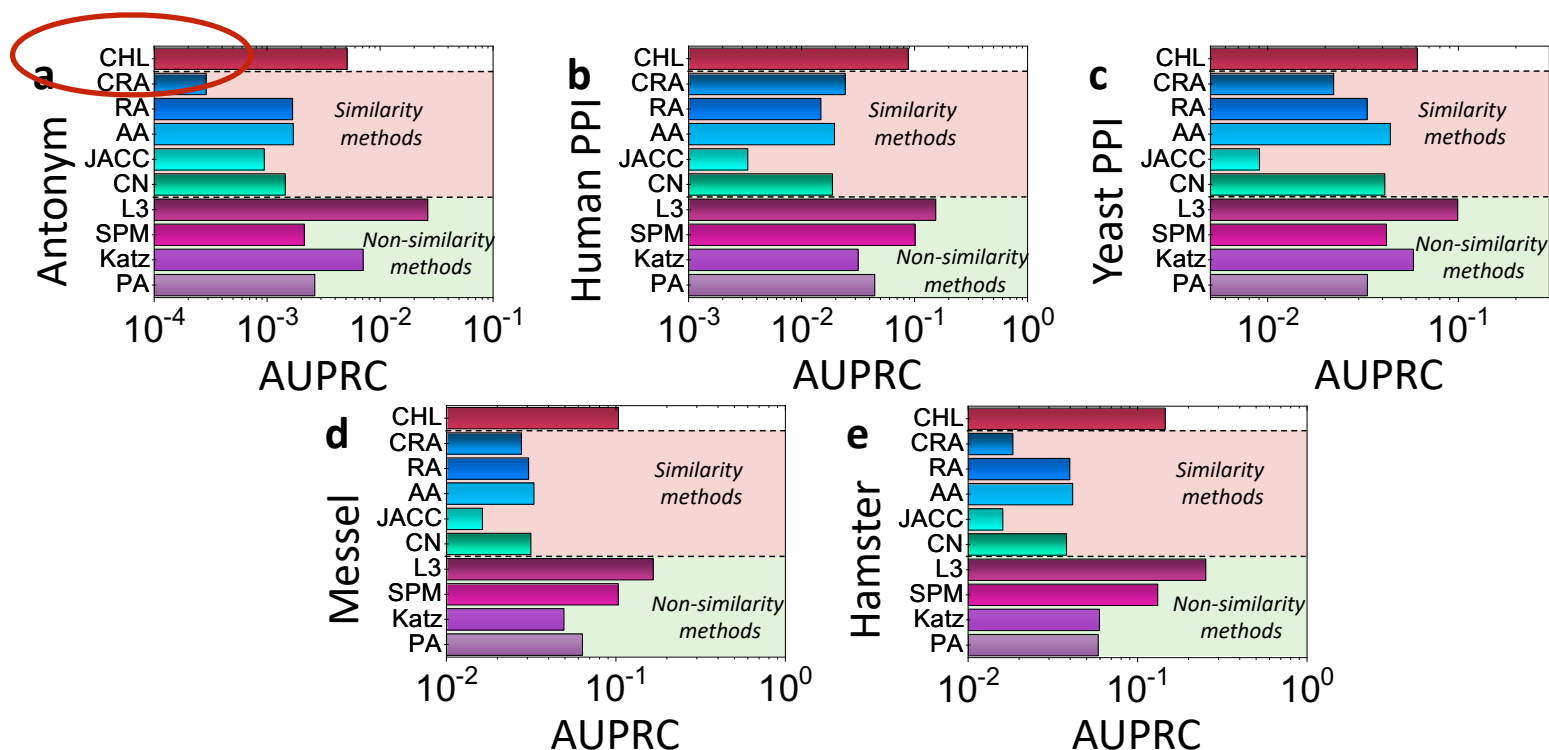
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Prediction of missing links in five complementarity-based networks



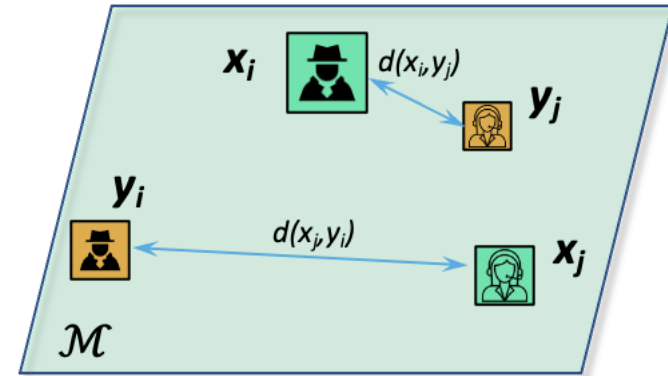
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Open Questions:

What if there are more skills per node?

Why different skills belong to the same space?

How can we even compare different skills?

Why distance is a measure of complementarity?

Towards the Principled Complementarity Framework

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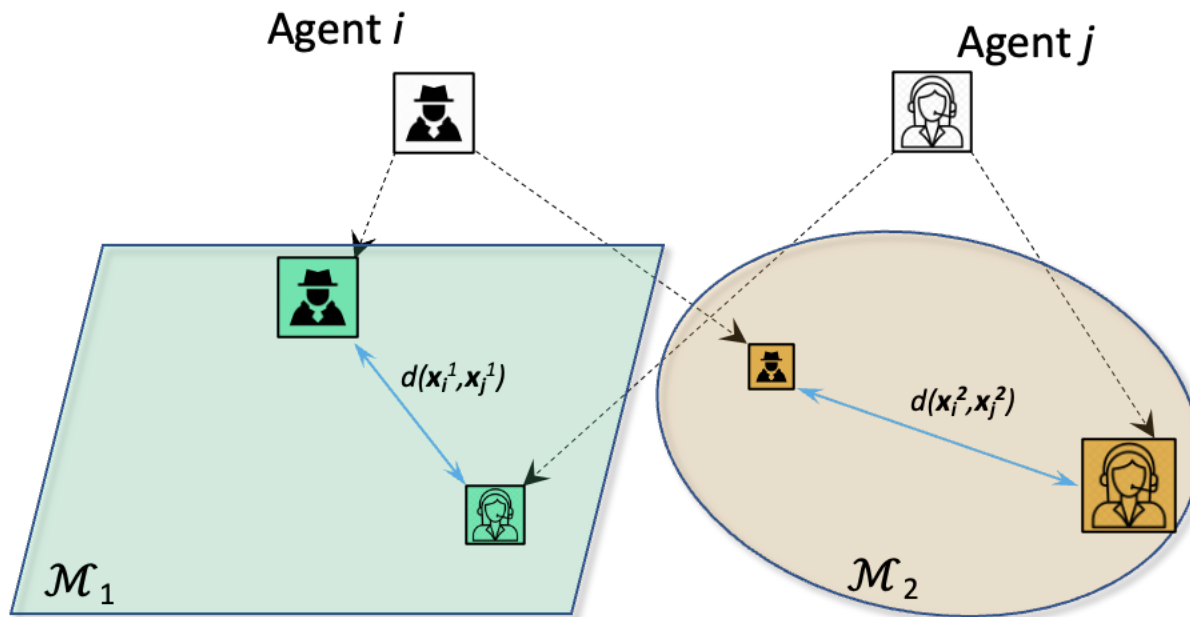
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There must be at least two different skills at play!

How do we describe skills? Points in a metric space. We need at least two metric spaces!
Every node has a corresponding point in each space!



Distances quantify similarities. Distances are defined within each space, **not between spaces!**

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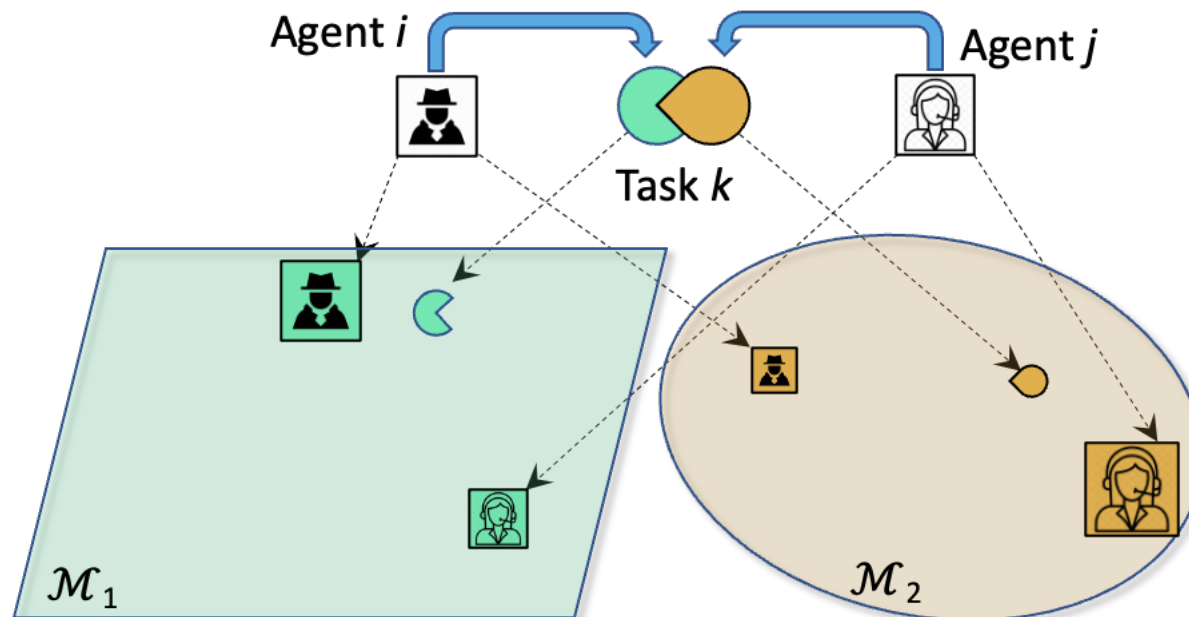
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One way to quantify “usefulness” is by introducing tasks!

Agents (nodes) complement each other in executing joint tasks.

Every task has a corresponding point in each space.



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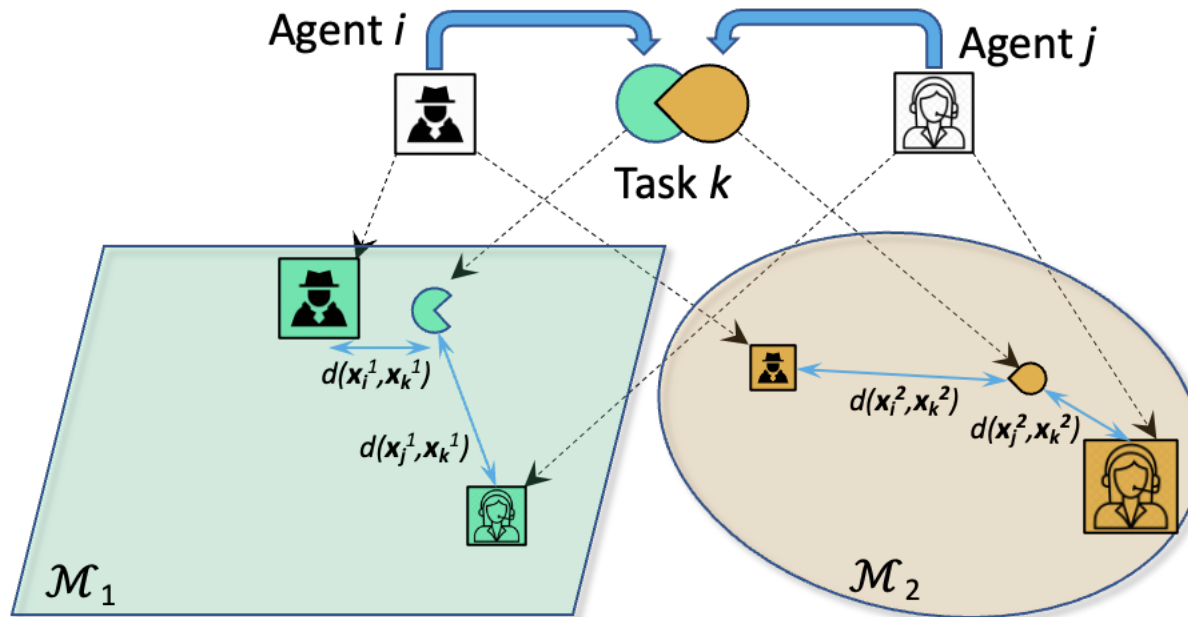
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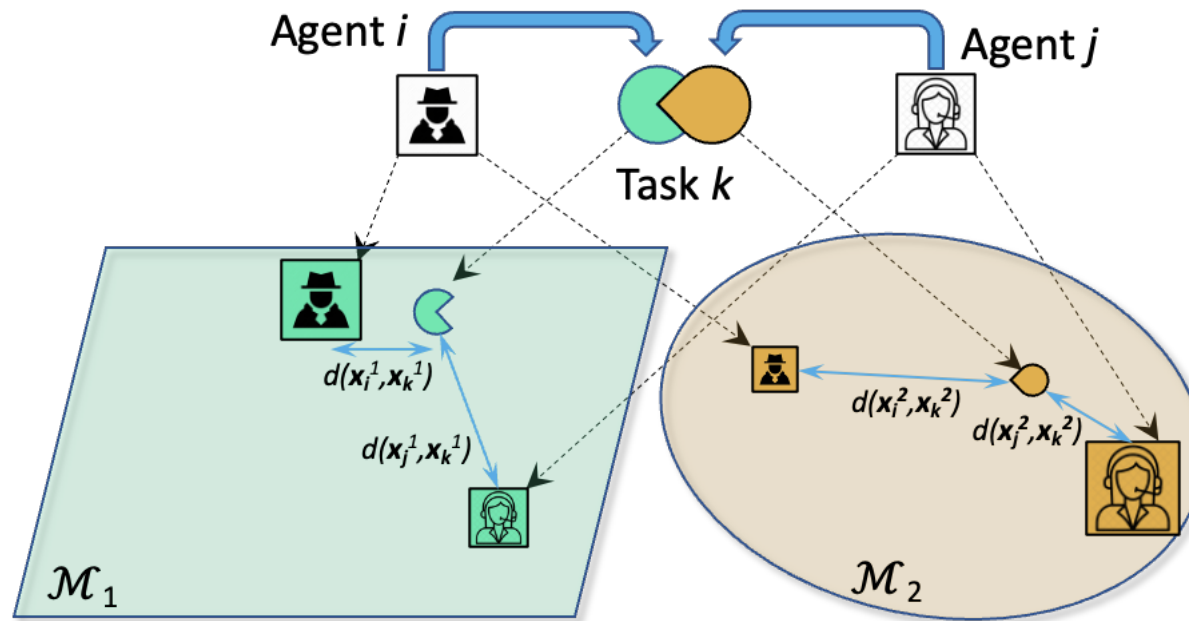
Complementarity is the ability to co-execute tasks:

each agent *independently* solves their part of the task



The closer you are to the given part of the task, the more likely you are to solve it.

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Probability that i solves part 1 and j solves part 2: $r_1(d[\mathbf{x}_i^1, \mathbf{x}_k^1]) r_2(d[\mathbf{x}_j^2, \mathbf{x}_k^2])$
 $r_{\{1,2\}}(d)$ are decreasing functions of distances d

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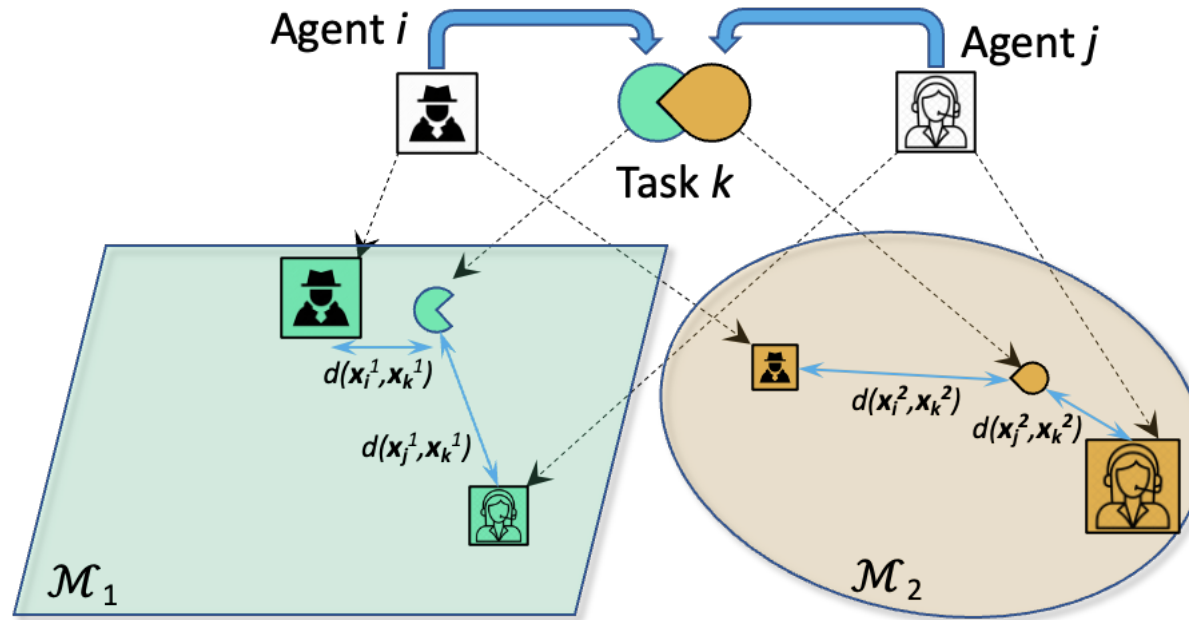
Probability i and j solve task is the union of two probabilities:

$$p(i, j|k) = 1 - [1 - r_1(d[\mathbf{x}_i^1, \mathbf{x}_k^1]) r_2(d[\mathbf{x}_j^2, \mathbf{x}_k^2])] [1 - r_1(d[\mathbf{x}_j^1, \mathbf{x}_k^1]) r_2(d[\mathbf{x}_i^2, \mathbf{x}_k^2])]$$

Complementarity = Pr-ty i and j solve at least one task k :

$$p_{ij} = 1 - \prod_k (1 - p(i, j|k))$$

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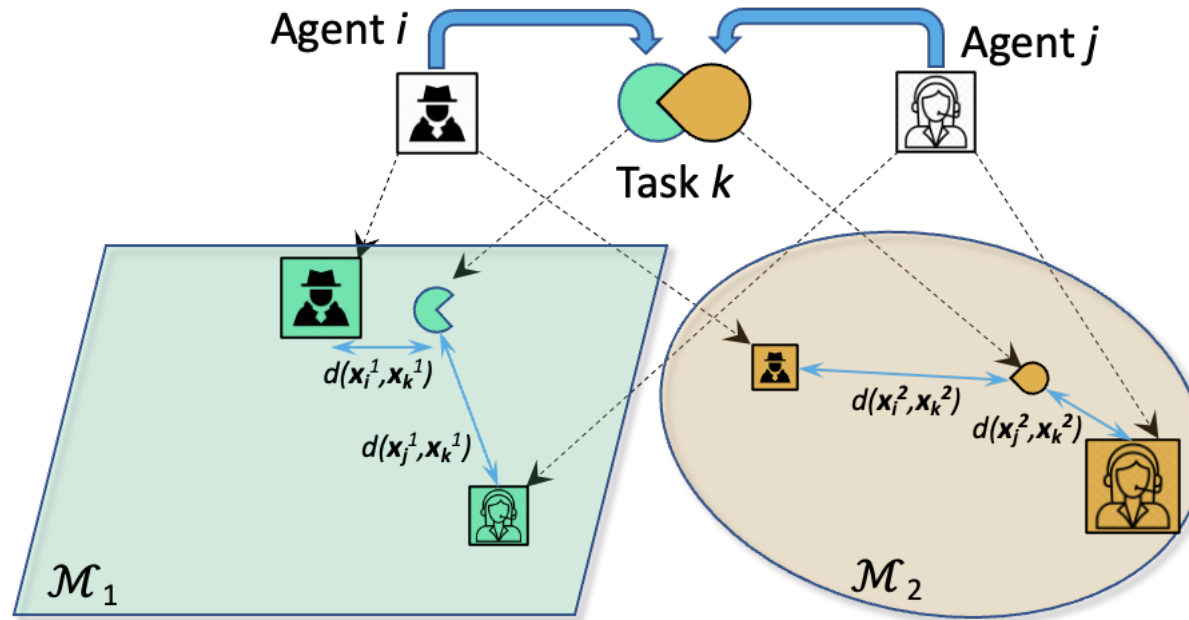
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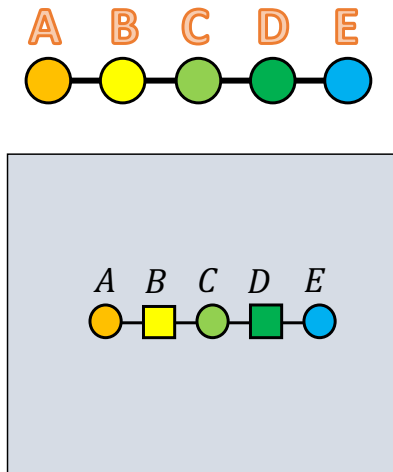
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Back to High Level: Implications for Shortest Paths

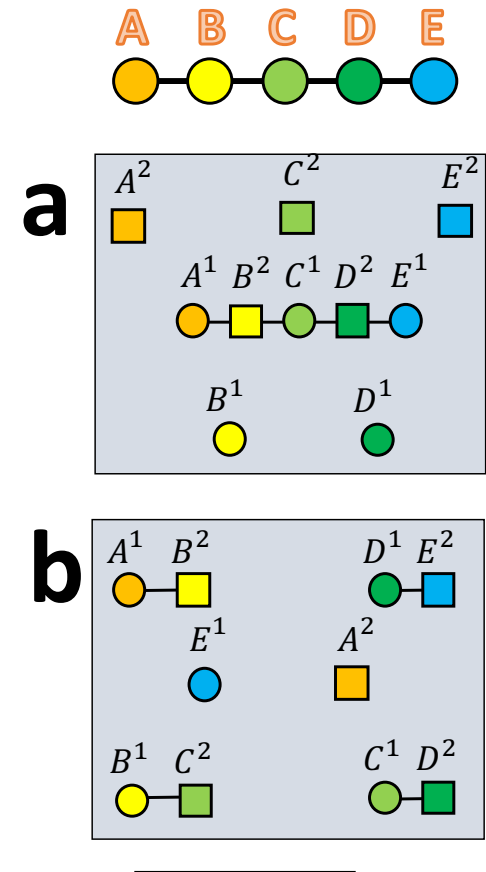
Similarity-based intuition:
shortest path is a ***trajectory***.

By traveling along a path you hop from one node to another, and neighboring nodes are relatively close to each other.



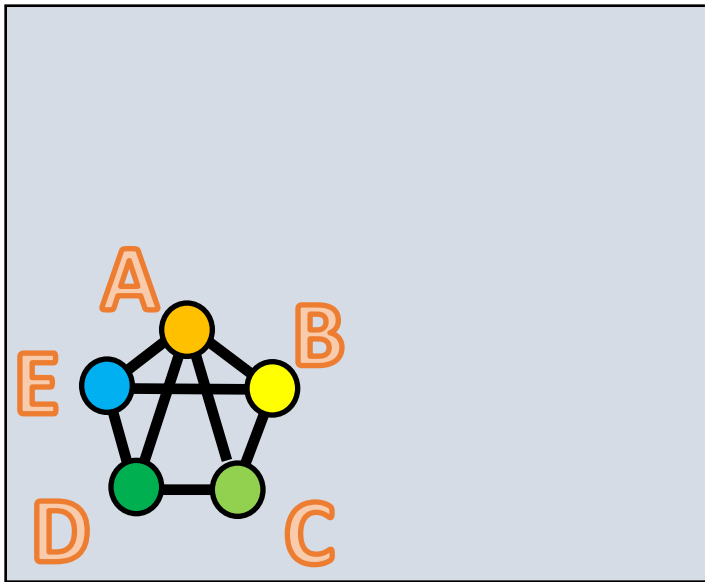
Complementarity-based intuition:
shortest path ***is not a trajectory***.

You may have a trajectory, it is much more likely that the trajectory is broken.



Back to High Level: Implications for Communities/Cliques/Modules

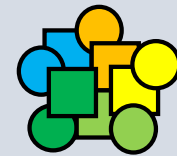
Similarity-based intuition:
community is a collection of
nodes that is **localized** in a region
of space.



Complementarity-based intuition:
communities are **rarely localized**.

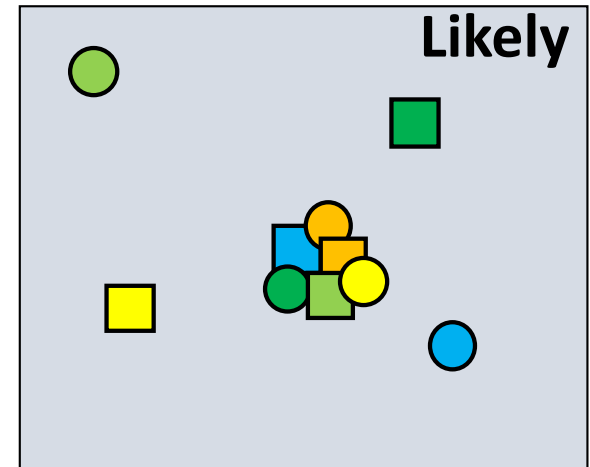
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Possible but unlikely



b

Likely



Implications for (Representations) of Real Networks

Biomedicine:

Missing PPI interactions.

(Better) functional classification of proteins.

Uncovering relationships between cellular pathways.

Interpreting existing drug-target relationships and identifying novel drug targets.

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Science of Science:

Success in interdisciplinary collaborations.

Scientific trajectories.

Relations between subfields of related disciplines.

Uncovering relationships between scientific problems.

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Your feedback, and intuition, and collaboration is very welcome!

Take-Home Message

1. Geometric representations of complementarity-driven nets possible.
But one needs more than 1 point per node.
2. A minimal *null* model with 2 points per node shows significant improvement at predicting missing links in biological and ecological networks.
3. Important implications for *Biomedicine* and *Science of Science*.

Our intuition in network science comes almost exclusively from social networks, which are governed by the similarity rule.

We need to rethink/adjust our approaches for complementarity-based networks: biological, collaboration, ecological etc.

Interpretable Complementarity Framework is coming soon!
Similarity is the *special case* of Complementarity!