



**Frontiers of Network Science
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**Class 2: Graph Theory
(Chapter 2 in Textbook)**

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Limits of Predictability in Human Mobility

Motivation: Why do people study human mobility?



Urban planning and traffic forecasting



Spread of infectious diseases

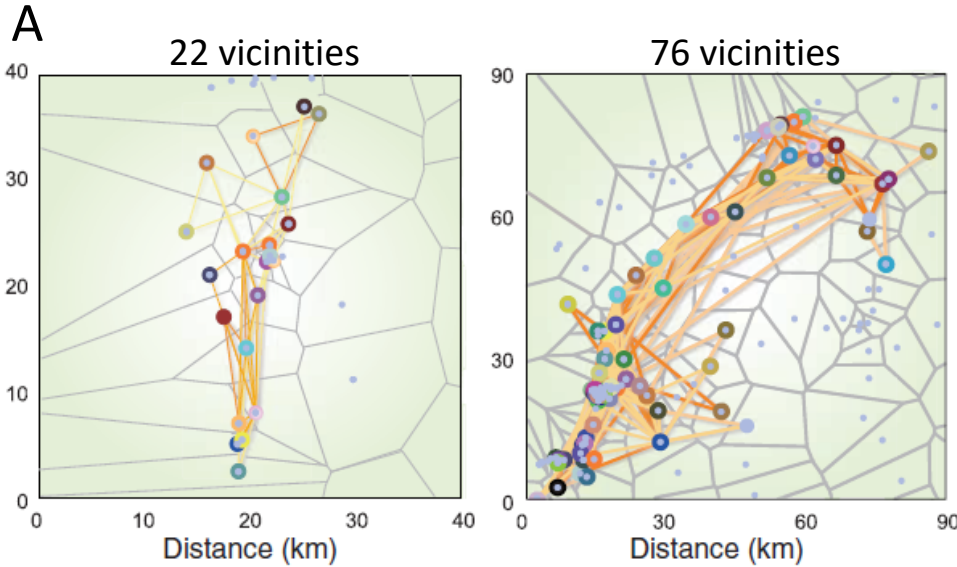


Mobile resource management

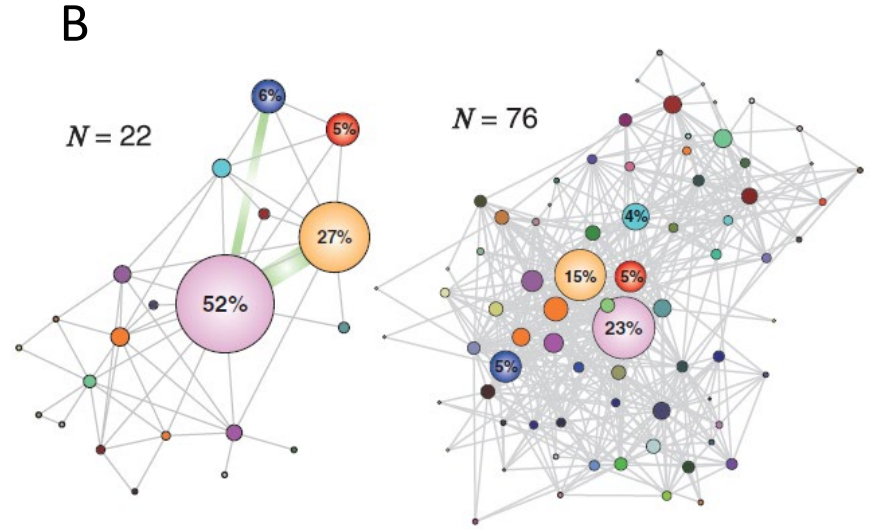


Spread of electronic viruses

Limits of Predictability in Human Mobility



The trajectories of two users



User's mobility networks

Quantifying patterns of research-interest evolution

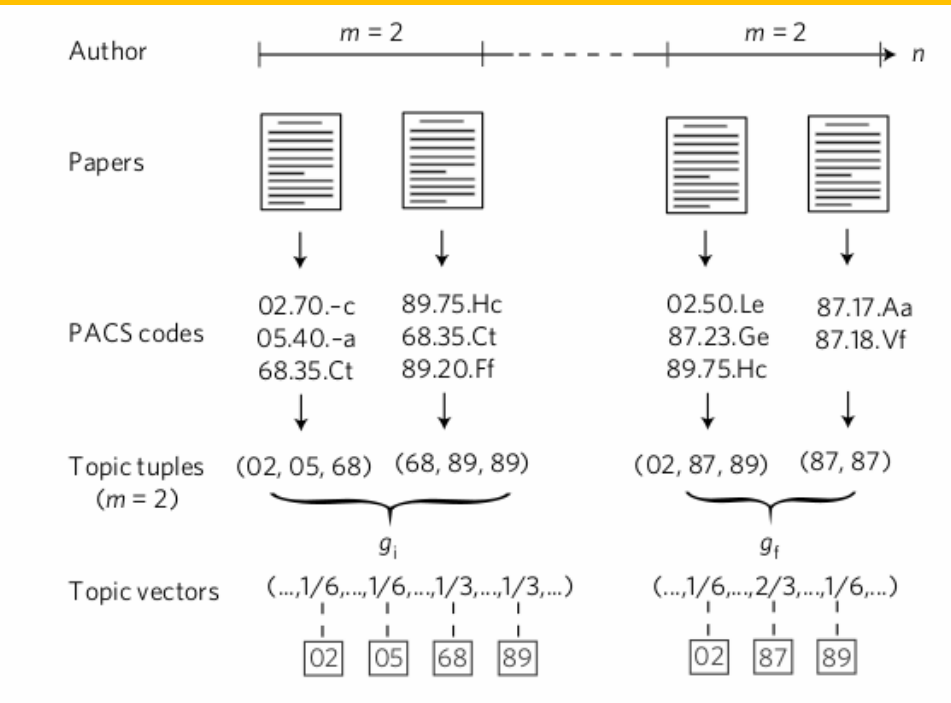
Motivation

- Microscopic factors extensively studied
 - Personality traits
 - Risk aversion
 - Training and mentorship
 - Funding or collaboration opportunities
 - Age
- Research into macroscopic patterns limited
- Researcher's interest evolution best captured through papers published

Quantifying patterns of research-interest evolution

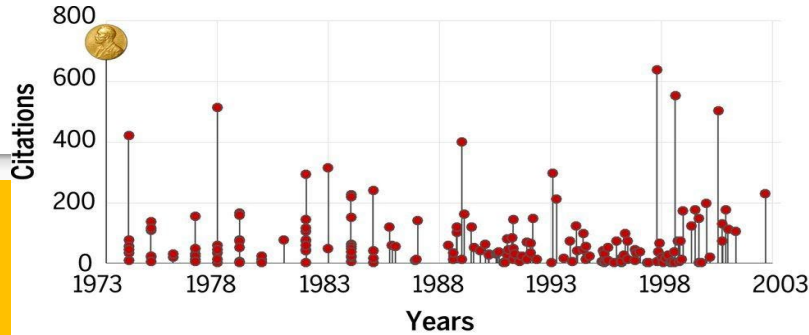
Data

- Uses APS data base
- Transform PACS codes to Topic Vector

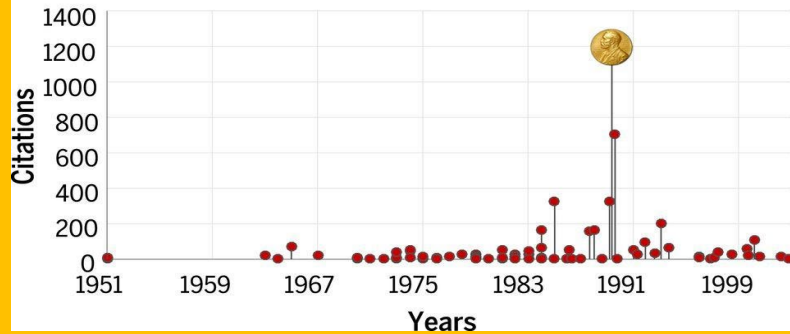


Quantifying the evolution of individual scientific impact

Random-impact model (R-Model)



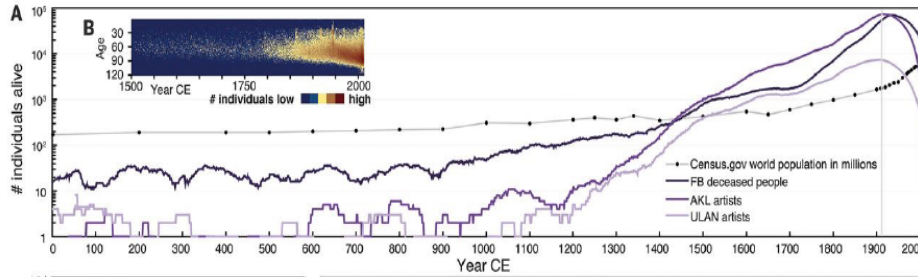
Frank A. Wilczek
Physics Nobel,
2004



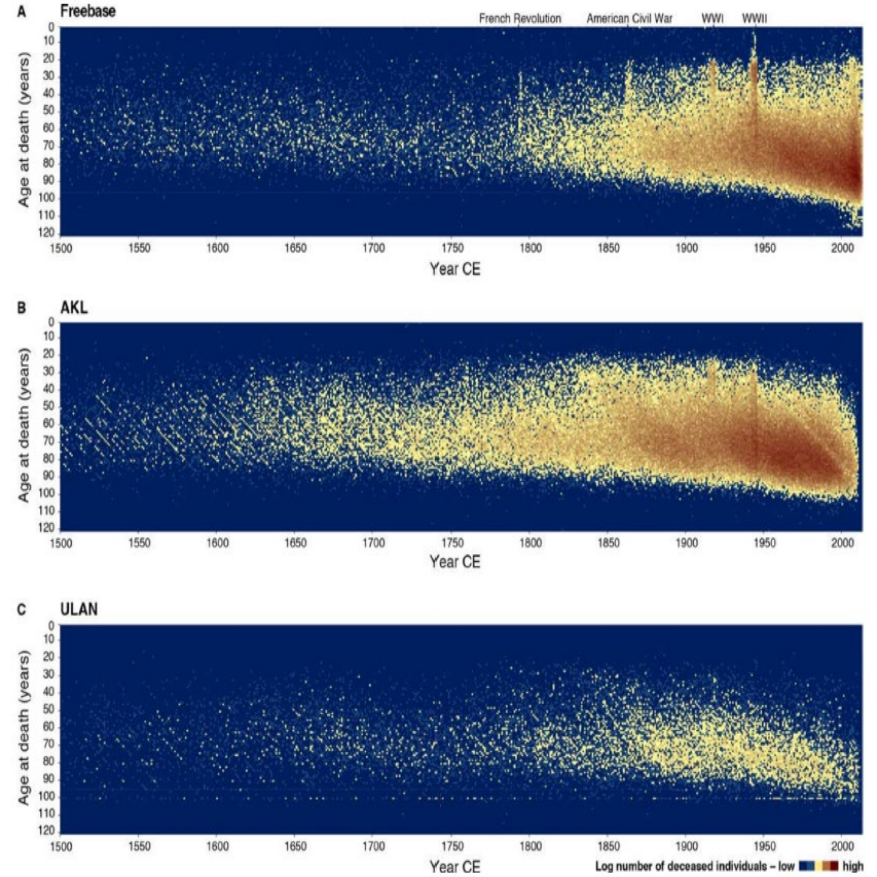
John B. Fenn
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A network framework of cultural history



Data sources, coverage
in time and space

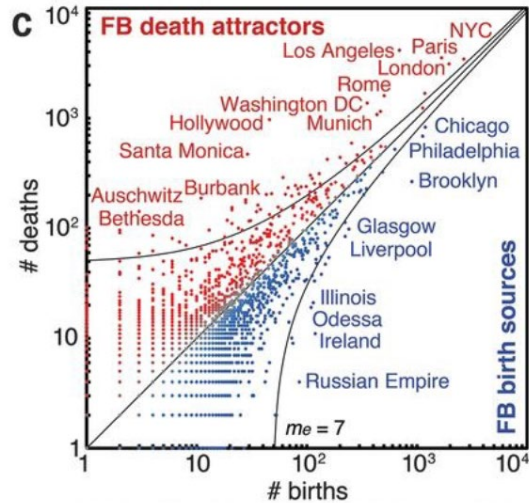


Prominent people are born everywhere but they die in prominent places

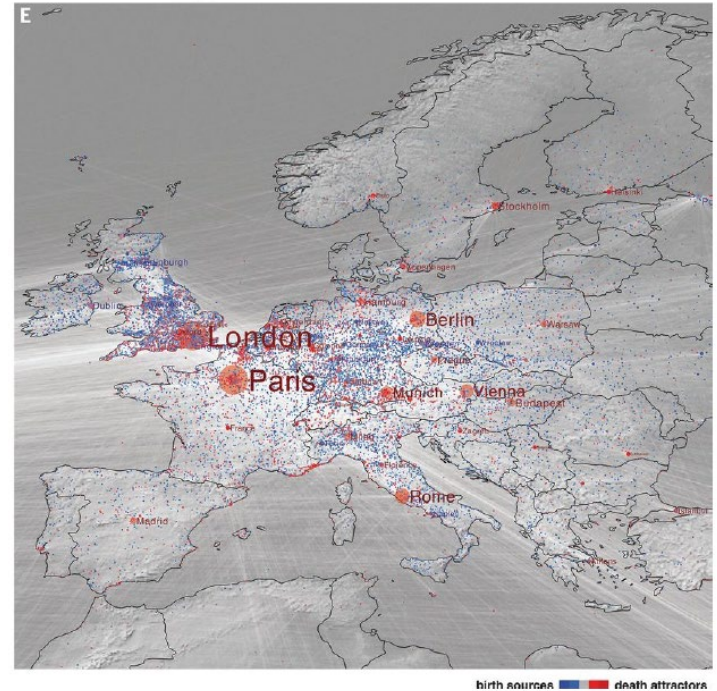
Why?

You cannot choose where you are born but you can choose where you die

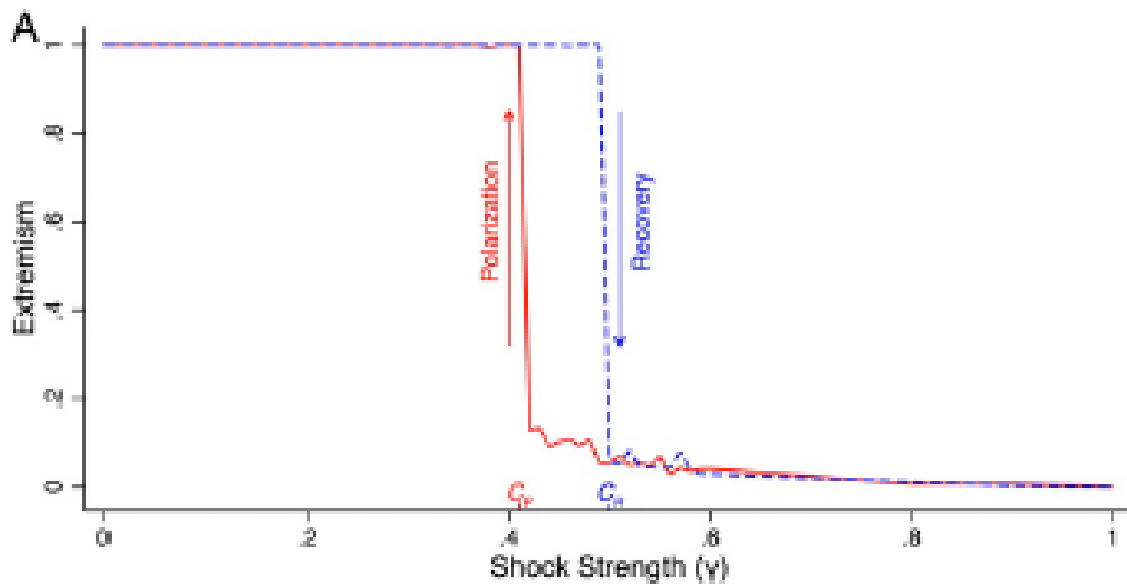
Births Vs Deaths



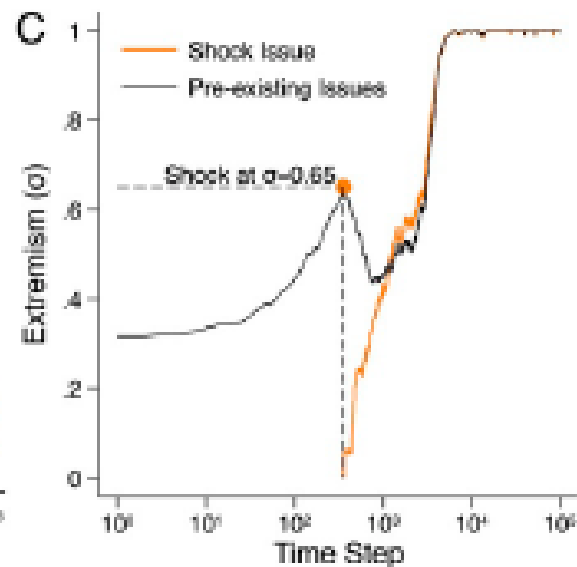
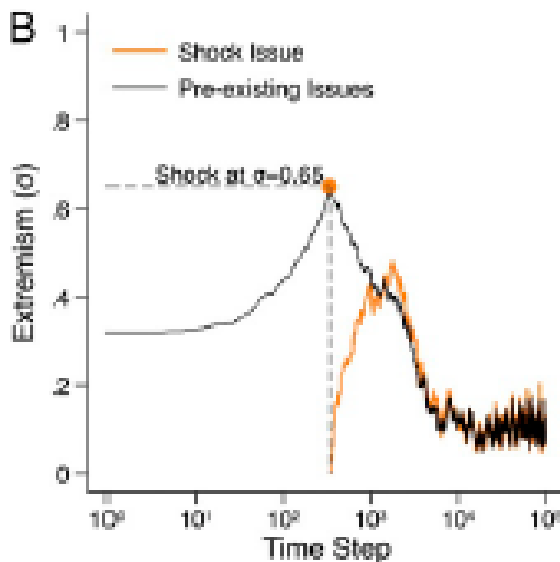
Birth and Death Nodes Geographically Plotted



Polarization and tipping points



Importance of the exogenous shock



Free Topic: Ice-Sheet Meshes and Biconnectivity

Motivation



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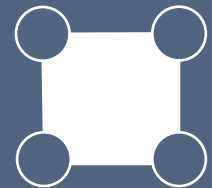
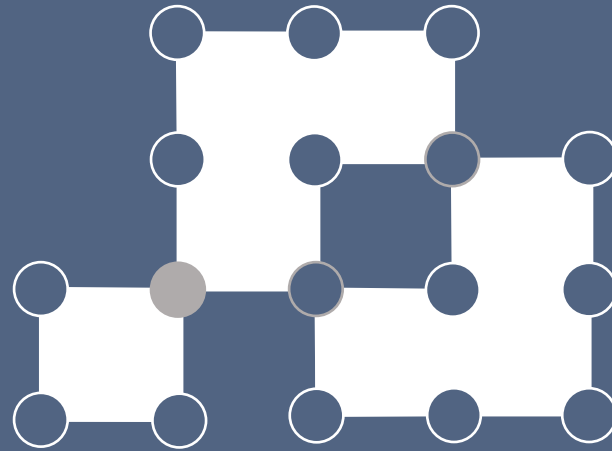
Ice-Sheet Meshes and Biconnectivity

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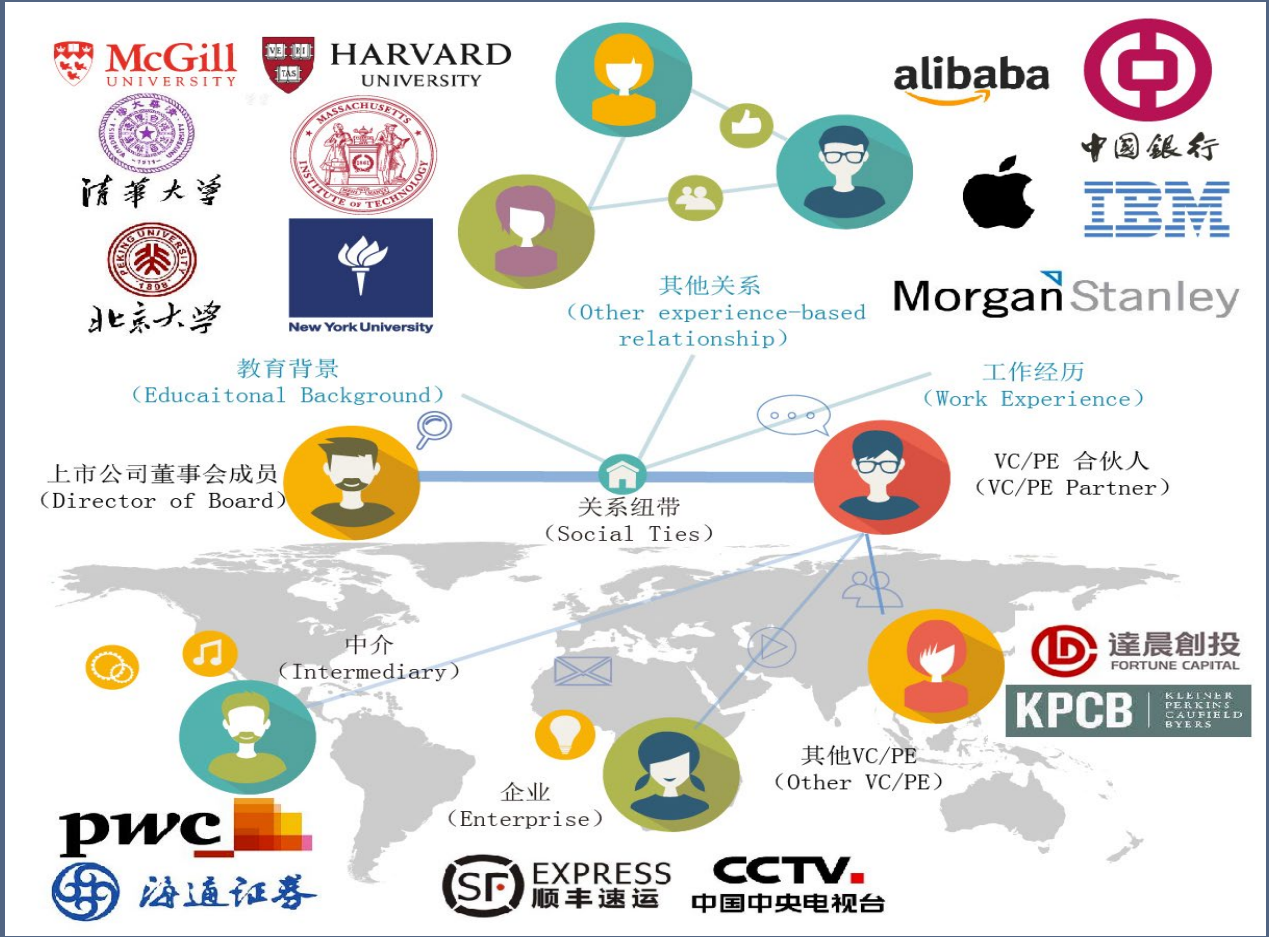
- Biconnectivity
 - Articulation points
- Meshes
 - Potential articulation points
 - “Double hinges”

The Ice-Sheet problem

- Modeling Antarctic Ice-Sheet
- “Grounding”
- Degenerate Features
- Similar to Biconnectivity

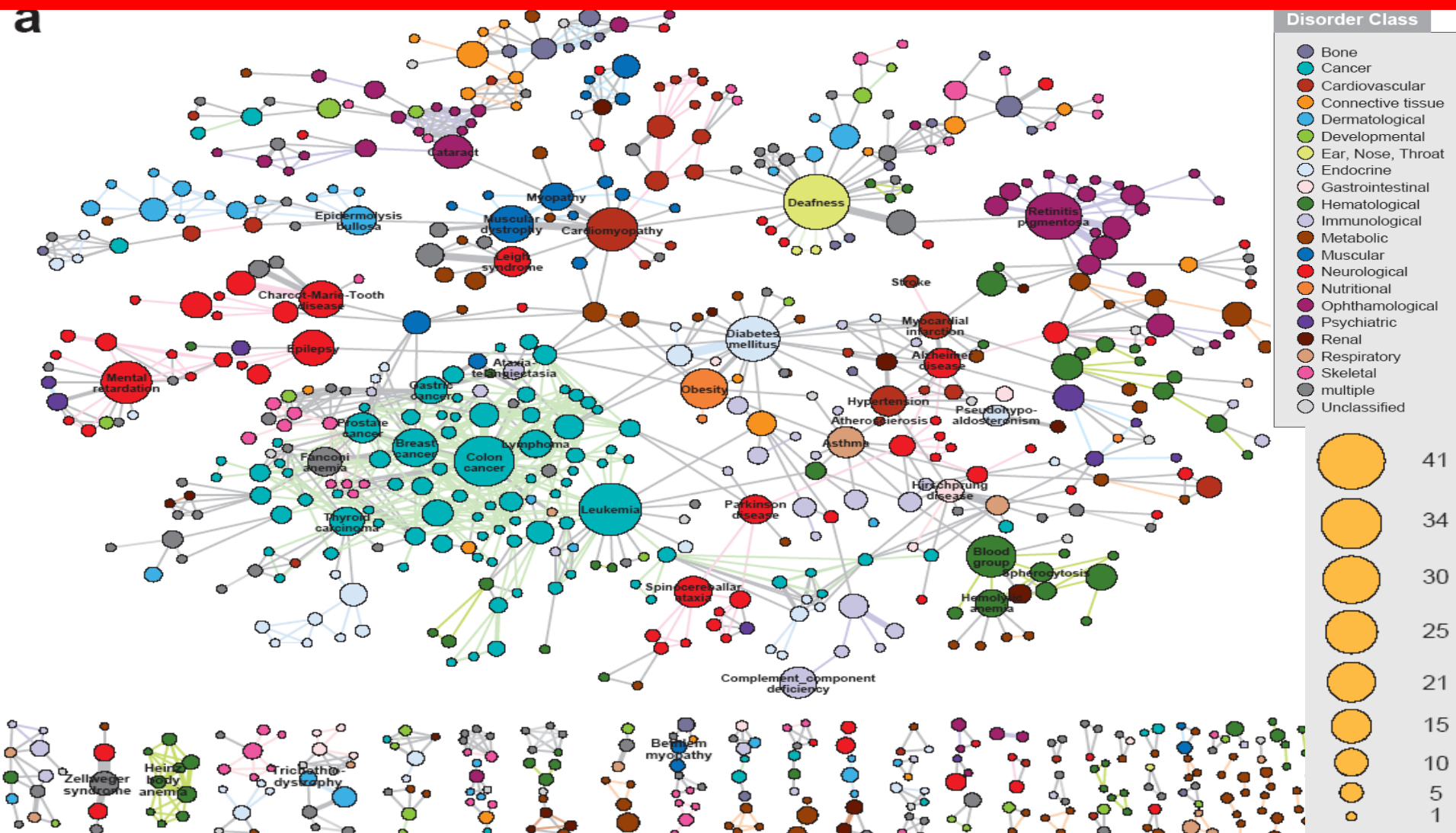


Free Topic: Links between Startups and Venture Capital in China



HUMAN DISEASE NETWORK

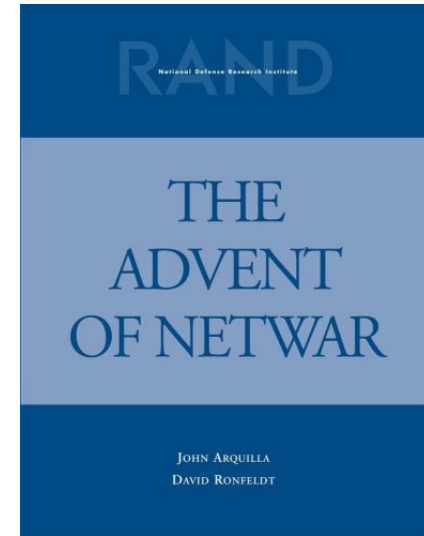
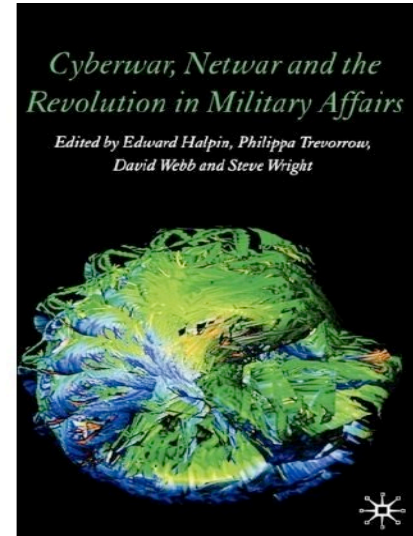
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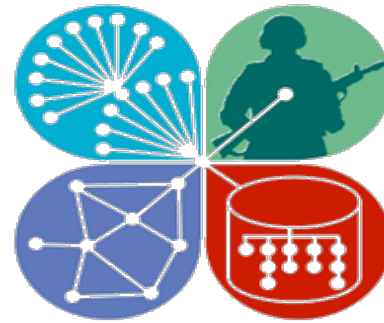
FIGHTING TERRORISM AND MILITARY



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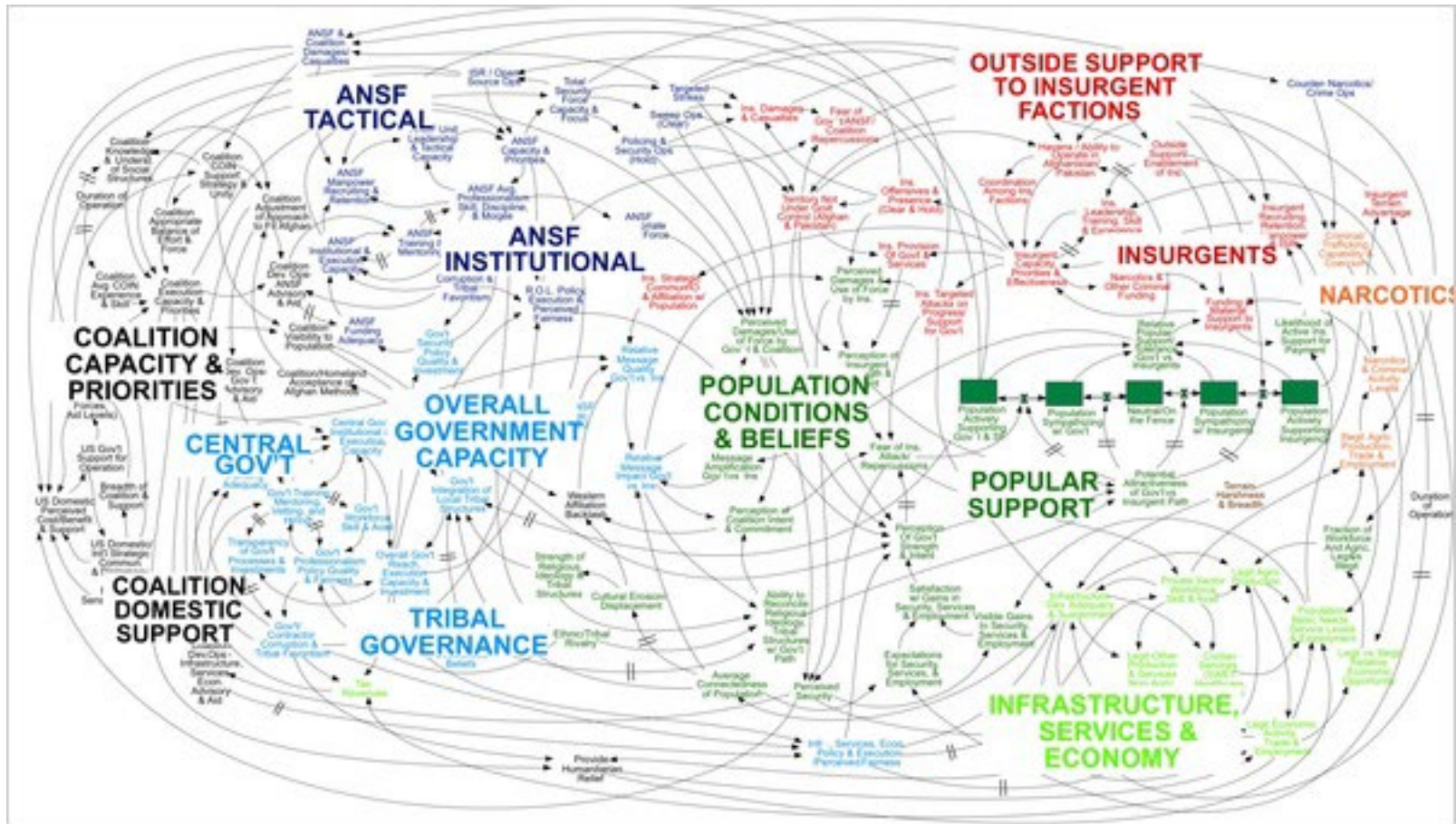


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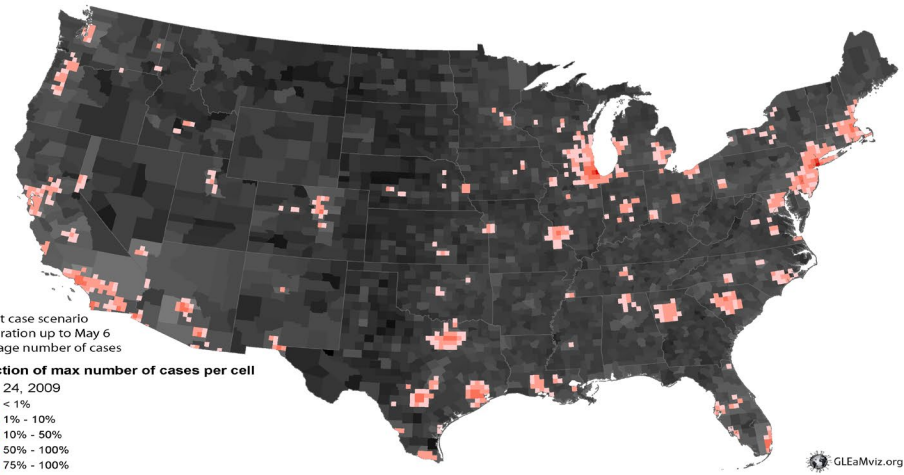
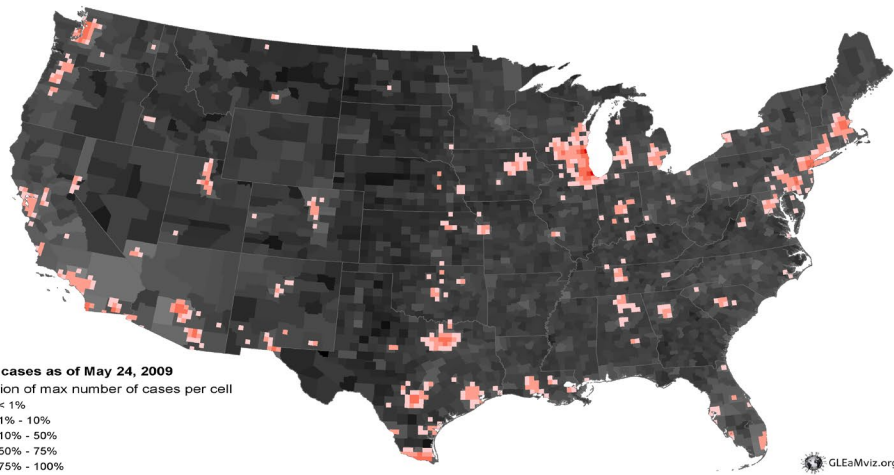
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The network behind a military engagement



Real

Projected

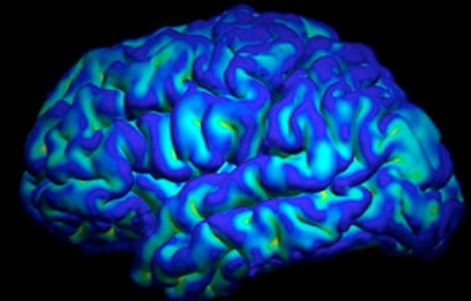
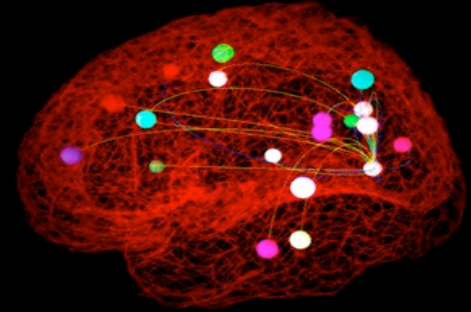


BRAIN RESEARCH

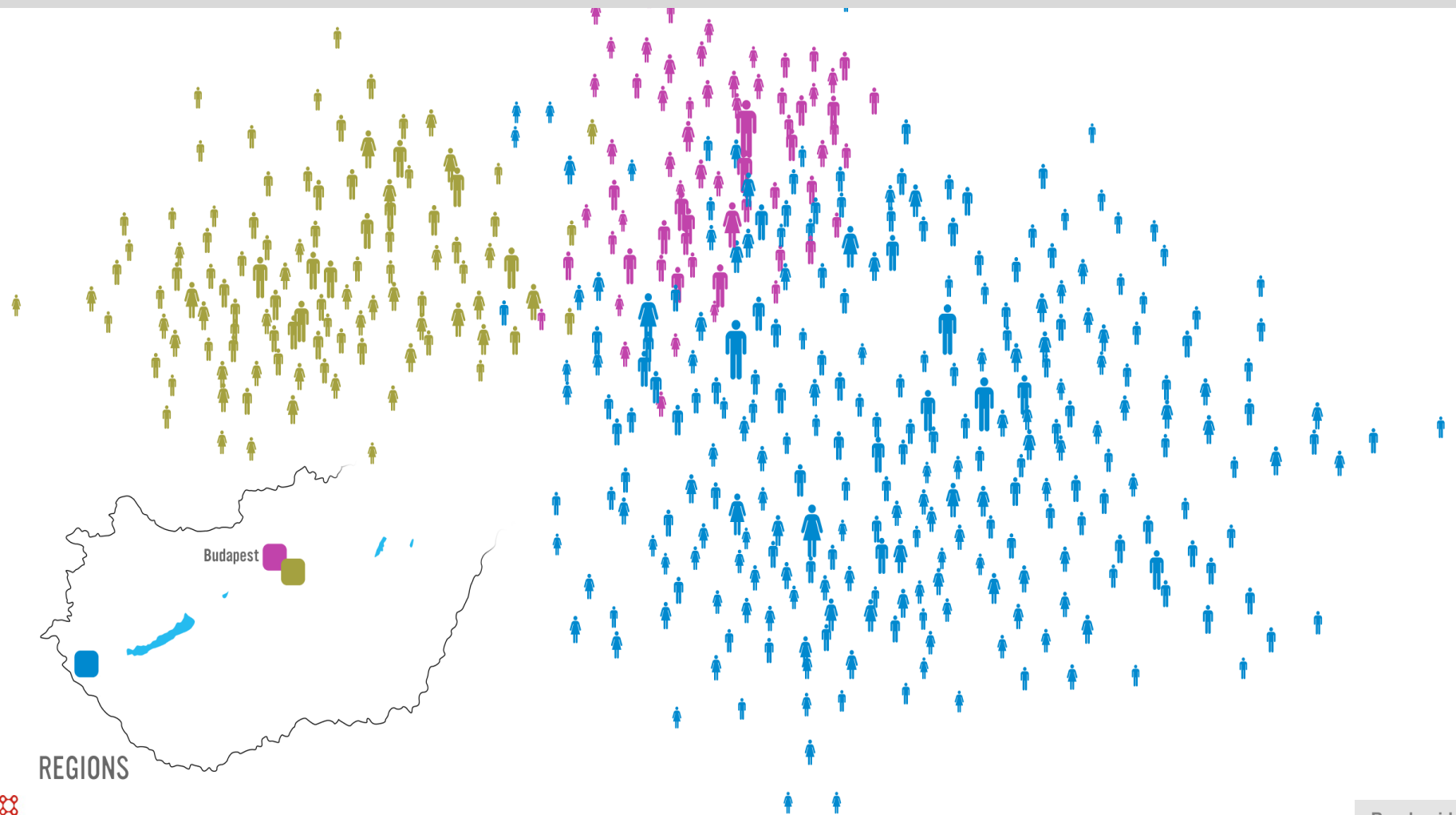
In September 2010 the National Institutes of Health awarded \$40 million to researchers at Harvard, Washington University in St. Louis, the University of Minnesota and UCLA, to develop the technologies that could systematically map out brain circuits.

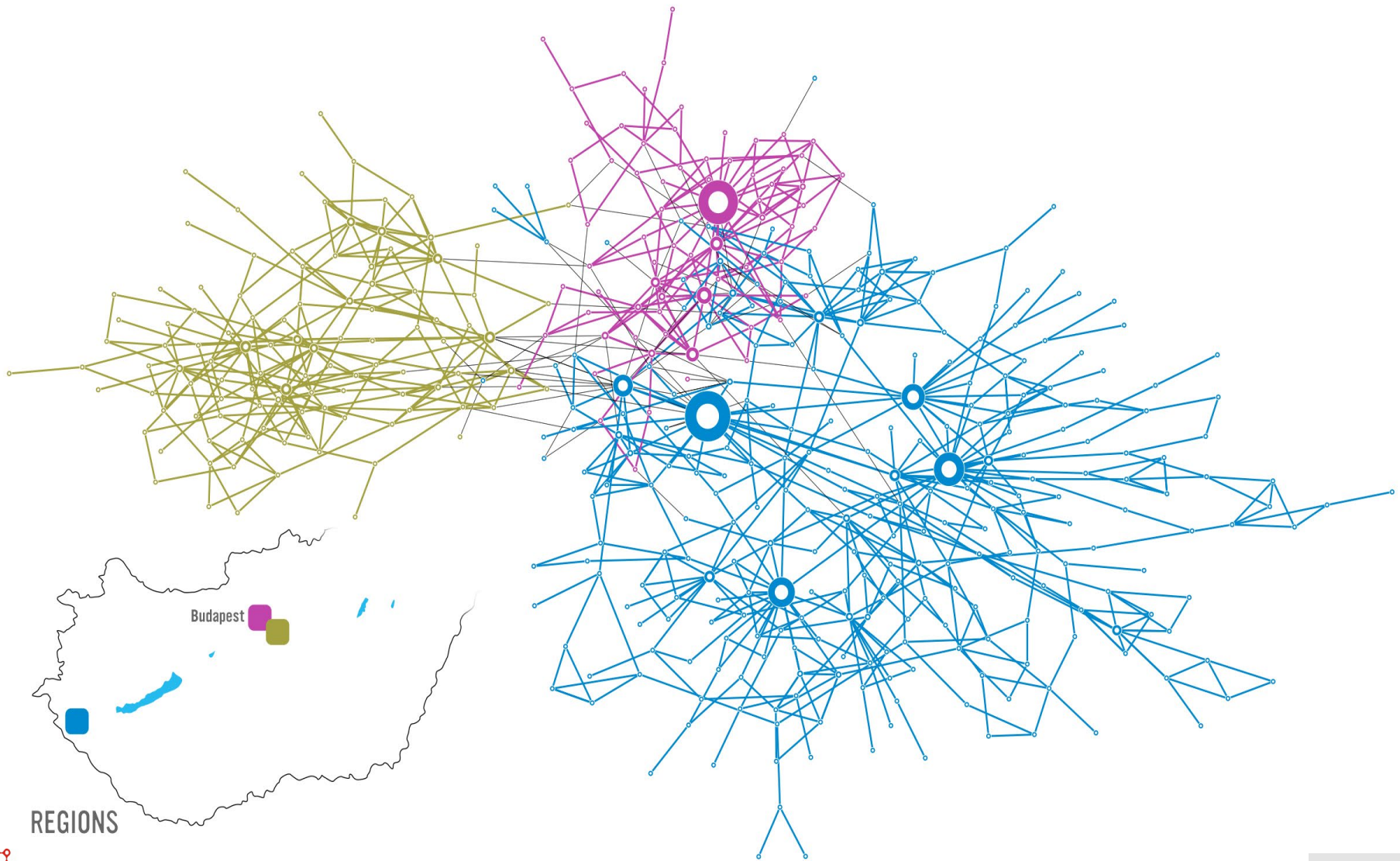
The Human Connectome Project (HCP) with the ambitious goal to construct a map of the complete structural and functional neural connections in vivo within and across individuals.

<http://www.humanconnectomeproject.org/overview/>



Management



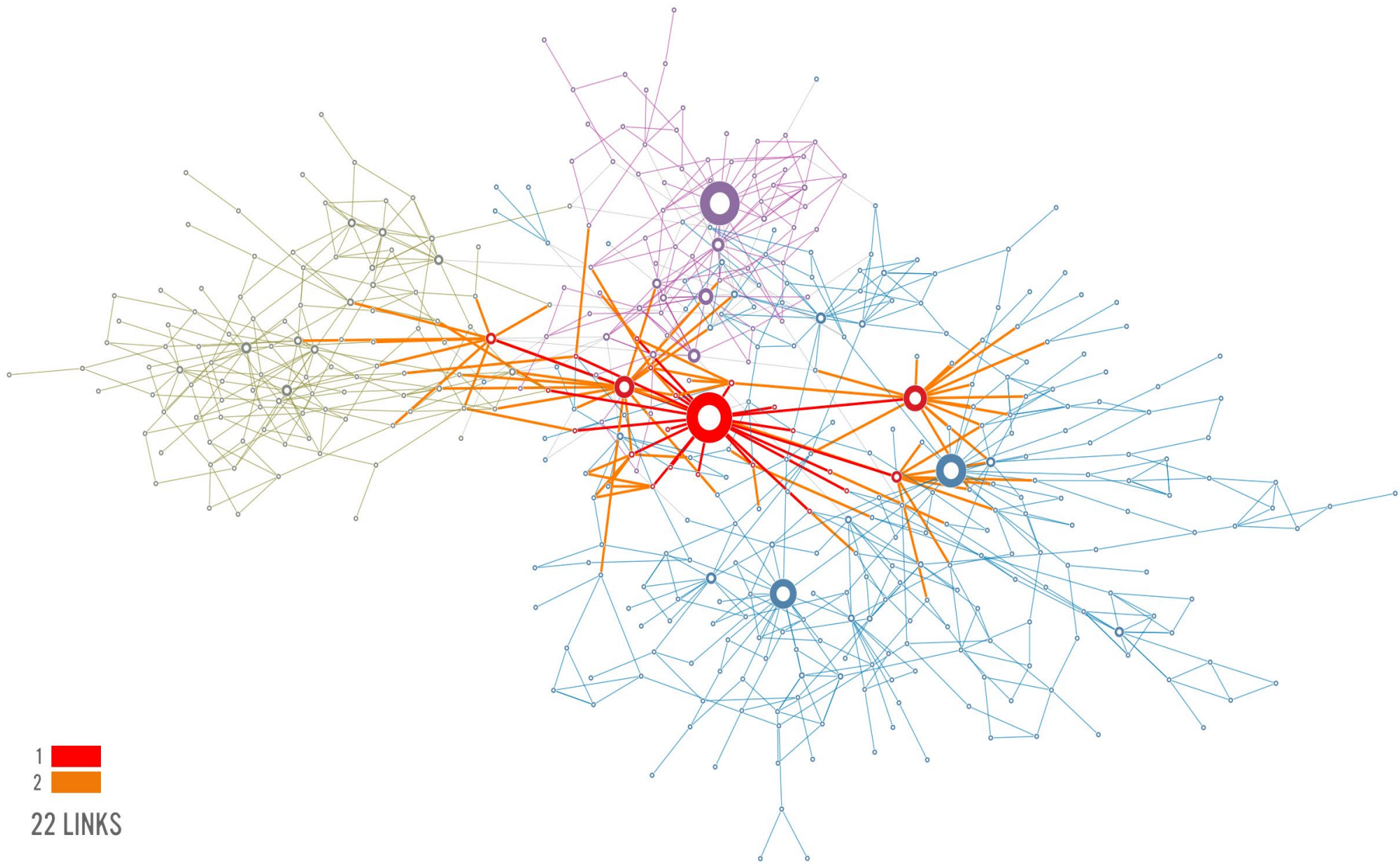


REGIONS



- Directors/CEO 
- Top Managers 
- Managers 
- Group Leaders 
- Associates 

HIERARCHY



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22 LINKS

The Bridges of Königsberg

THE BRIDGES OF KONINGSBERG

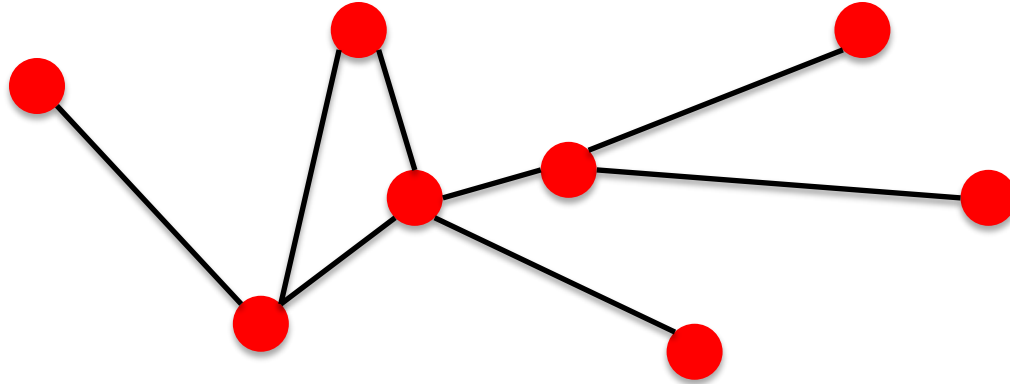


Can one walk across the seven bridges and never cross the same bridge twice?



Networks and graphs

COMPONENTS OF A COMPLEX SYSTEM



- **components:** nodes, vertices N
- **interactions:** links, edges L
- **system:** network, graph (N,L)

NETWORKS OR GRAPHS?

network often refers to real systems

- www,
- social network
- metabolic network.

Language: (Network, node, link)

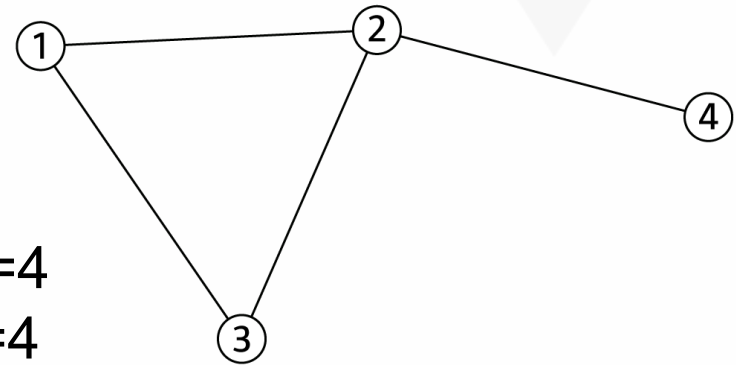
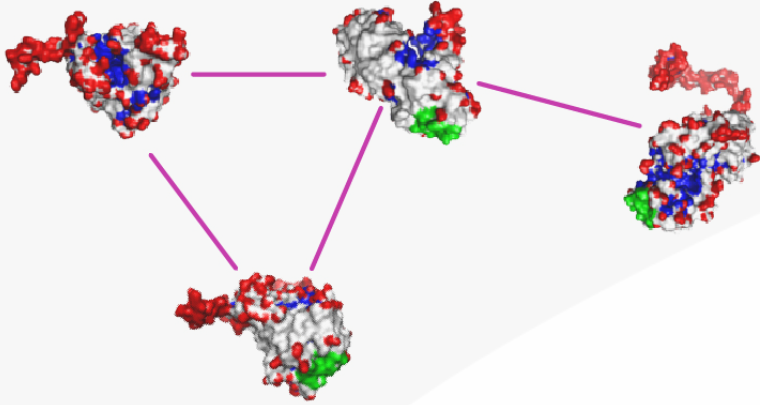
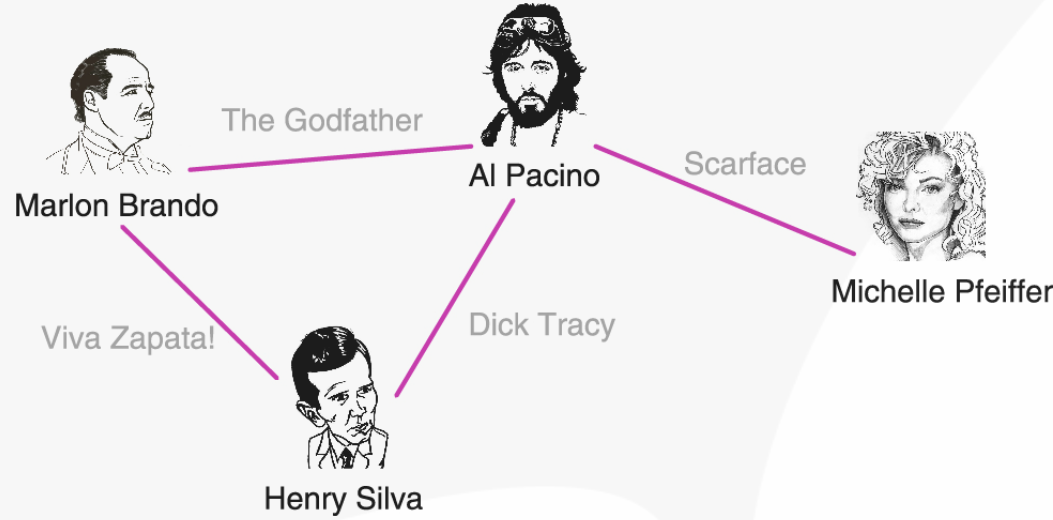
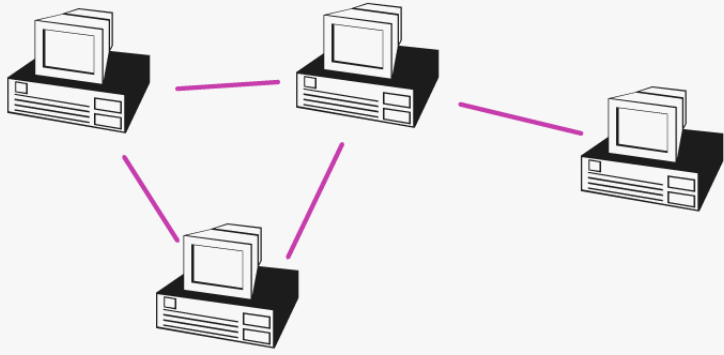
graph: mathematical representation of a network

- web graph,
- social graph (a Facebook term)

Language: (Graph, vertex, edge)

We will try to make this distinction whenever it is appropriate, but in most cases we will use the two terms interchangeably.

A COMMON LANGUAGE



$N=4$
 $L=4$

CHOOSING A PROPER REPRESENTATION

The choice of the proper network representation determines our ability to use network theory successfully.

In some cases there is a unique, unambiguous representation. In other cases, the representation is by no means unique.

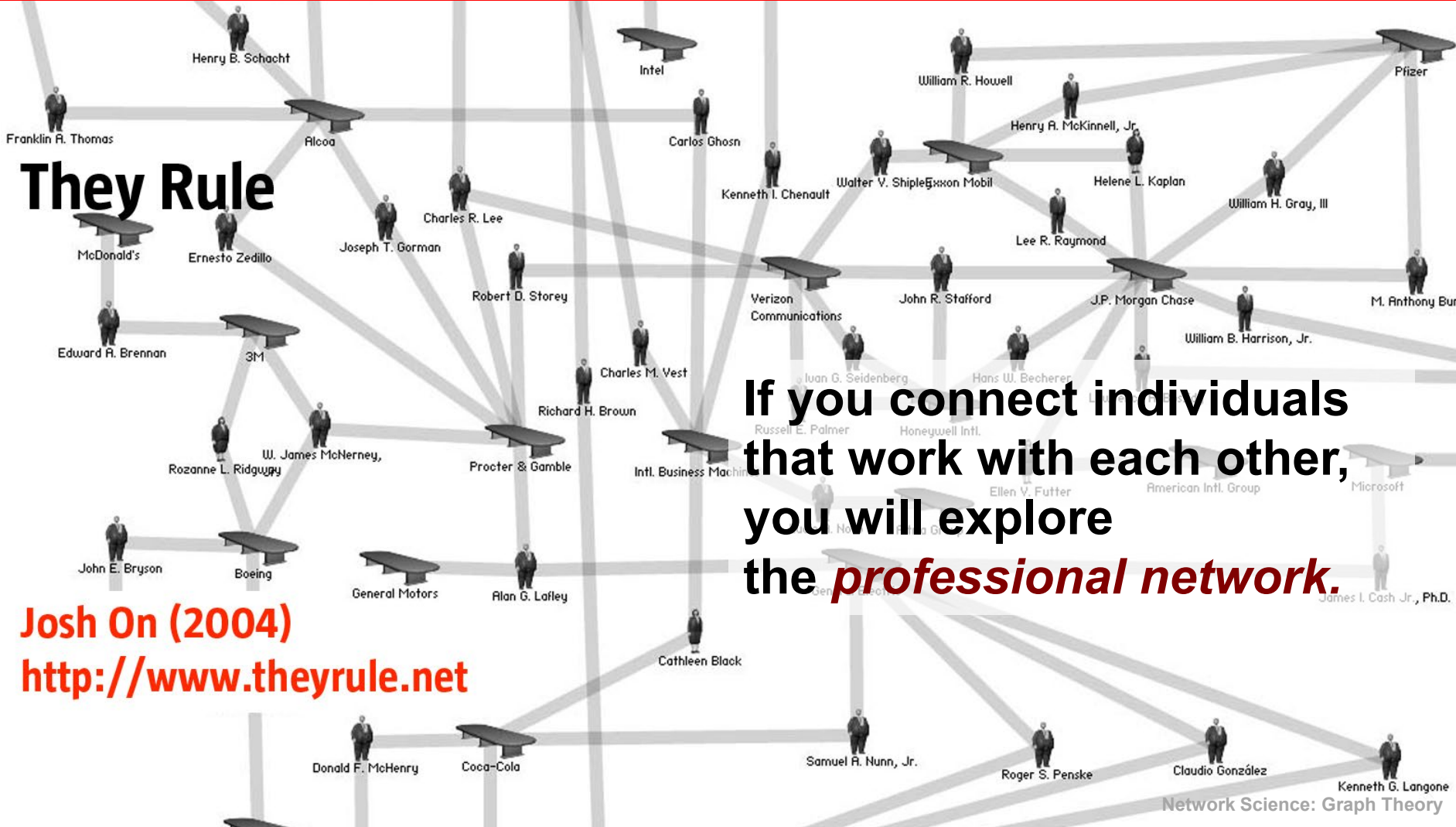
For example, the way we assign the links between a group of individuals will determine the nature of the question we can study.

CHOOSING A PROPER REPRESENTATION

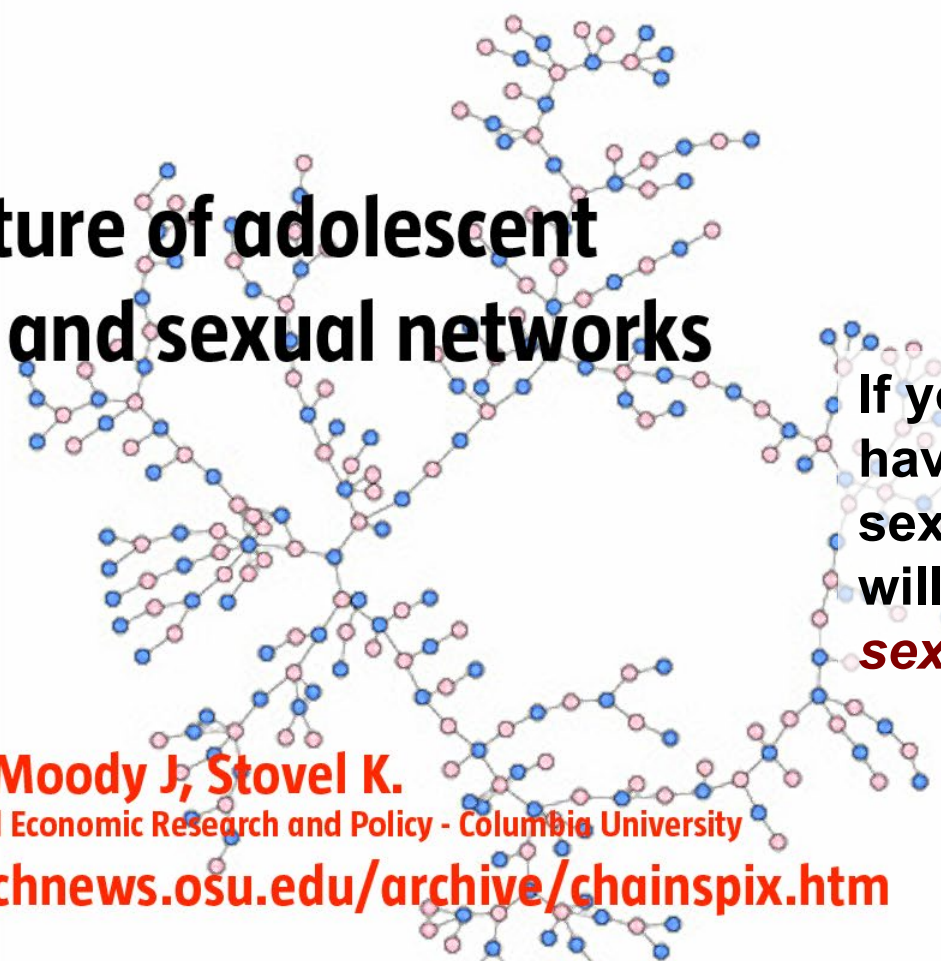
They Rule

If you connect individuals that work with each other, you will explore the *professional network*.

Josh On (2004)
<http://www.theyrule.net>



The structure of adolescent romantic and sexual networks



If you connect those that have a romantic and sexual relationship, you will be exploring the *sexual networks*.

Bearman PS, Moody J, Stovel K.

Institute for Social and Economic Research and Policy - Columbia University

<http://researchnews.osu.edu/archive/chainspix.htm>

CHOOSING A PROPER REPRESENTATION

If you connect individuals based on their first name (*all Peters connected to each other*), you will be exploring what?

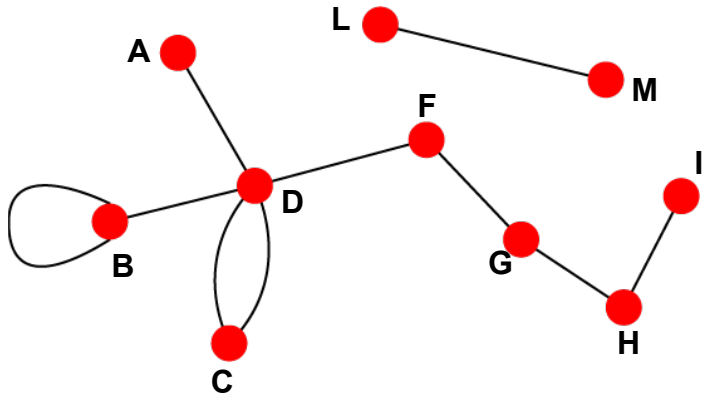
It is a network, nevertheless.

UNDIRECTED VS. DIRECTED NETWORKS

Undirected

Links: undirected (*symmetrical*)

Graph:



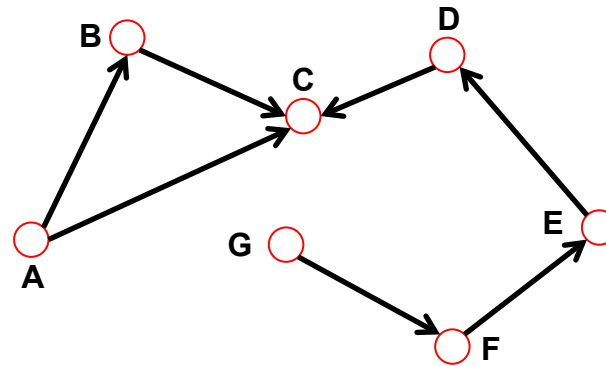
Undirected links :

coauthorship links
Actor network
protein interactions

Directed

Links: directed (*arcs*).

Digraph = directed graph:



An undirected link is the superposition of two opposite directed links.

Directed links :

URLs on the www
phone calls
metabolic reactions

Section 2.2

Reference Networks

NETWORK	NODES	LINKS	DIRECTED UNDIRECTED	N	L
Internet	Routers	Internet connections	Undirected	192,244	609,066
WWW	Webpages	Links	Directed	325,729	1,497,134
Power Grid	Power plants, transformers	Cables	Undirected	4,941	6,594
Mobile Phone Calls	Subscribers	Calls	Directed	36,595	91,826
Email	Email addresses	Emails	Directed	57,194	103,731
Science Collaboration	Scientists	Co-authorship	Undirected	23,133	93,439
Actor Network	Actors	Co-acting	Undirected	702,388	29,397,908
Citation Network	Paper	Citations	Directed	449,673	4,689,479
E. Coli Metabolism	Metabolites	Chemical reactions	Directed	1,039	5,802
Protein Interactions	Proteins	Binding interactions	Undirected	2,018	2,930