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**A journey in the zoo of Turing patterns:
the topology does matter**



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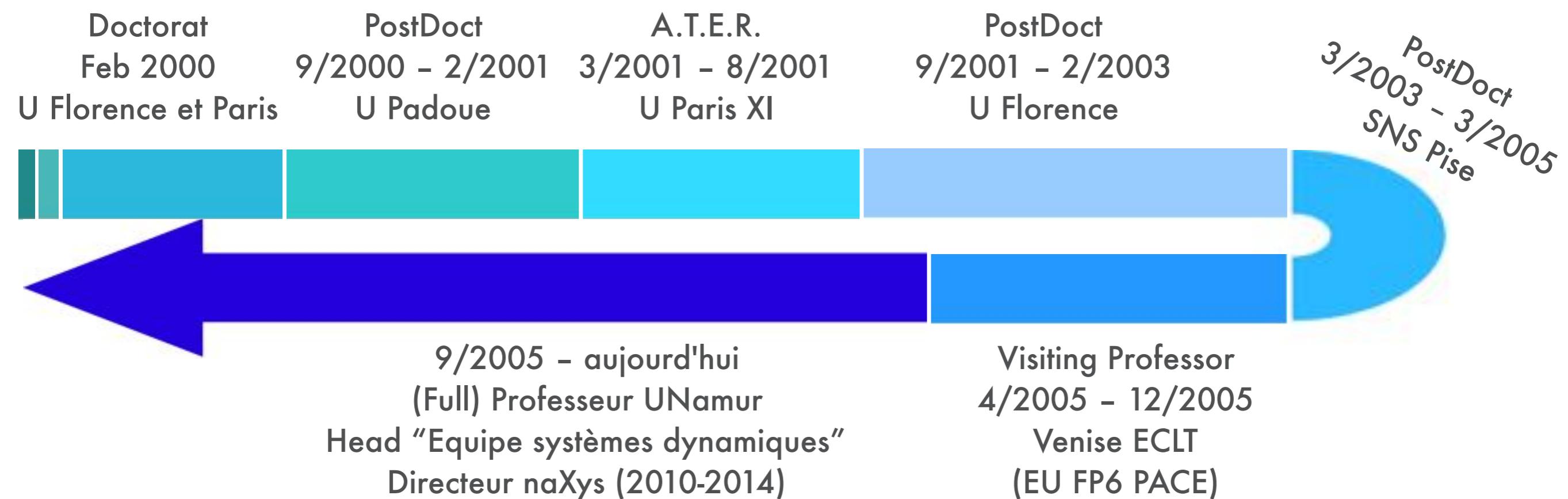
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Snapshot of my career



Word cloud of the titles of my papers



My research in a nutshell

Abstract models:

- Simple/simplified models, with relatively few variables and parameters, relatively under control.
- Generic questions and answers model independent.
- Ex.: networked systems, chaos/stability, emergent behaviours ...

Data driven models:

- Model created from data, usually a large number of parameters and variables.
- Specific questions and model dependent.
- Ex.: researchers careers, synthetic populations, circadian rhythms in wikipedia ...

Algorithms & tools

- Heuristic optimization algorithms.
- Neural networks.
- Numerical solvers, ...

Pattern ? [ref. Oxford dictionary]

pattern

★ Top 10000 frequently used words

Pronunciation: /'pat(ə)n/ (?)

NOUN

1 A repeated decorative design:
'a neat blue herringbone pattern'

(– More example sentences)

'Included are geometrics, florals and foliates, animals and nature motifs and other decorative repeat patterns.'

'These aspects then become ornamented with Islamic-inspired decorative patterns and Islamic cultural artifacts.'

'It featured exuberant decorative patterns, designs in the brickwork and wooden attachments.'

1 A repeated decorative design:
'a neat blue herringbone pattern'

(+ More example sentences) (+ Synonyms)

1.1 An arrangement or design regularly found in comparable objects:
'the house had been built on the usual pattern'

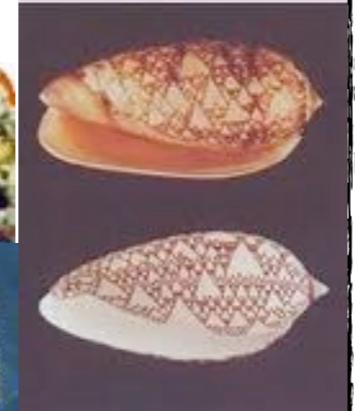
(– More example sentences)

'Structurally, the tumor cells were arranged in a medullary pattern composed of polygonal tumor cells.'

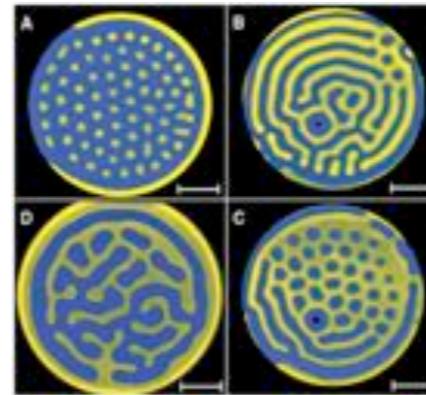
'The hair-cells within the spiralling cochlear duct are arranged in a pattern like the bristles of a brush.'

'The fossils indicate the wings had feathers, arranged in a similar pattern to that of modern birds.'

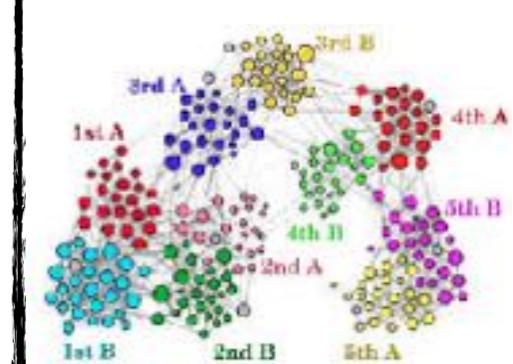
Patterns are ubiquitous



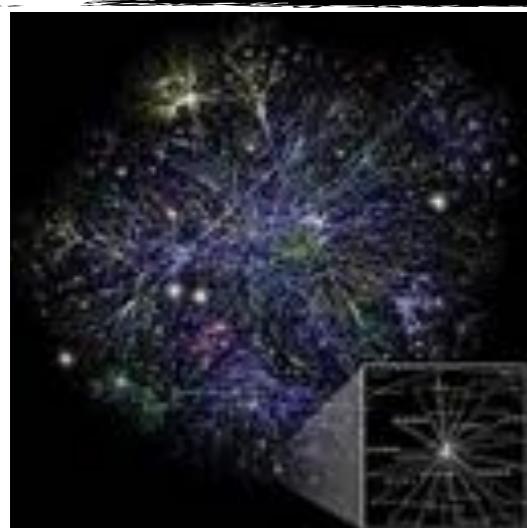
Animal kingdom



Chemistry

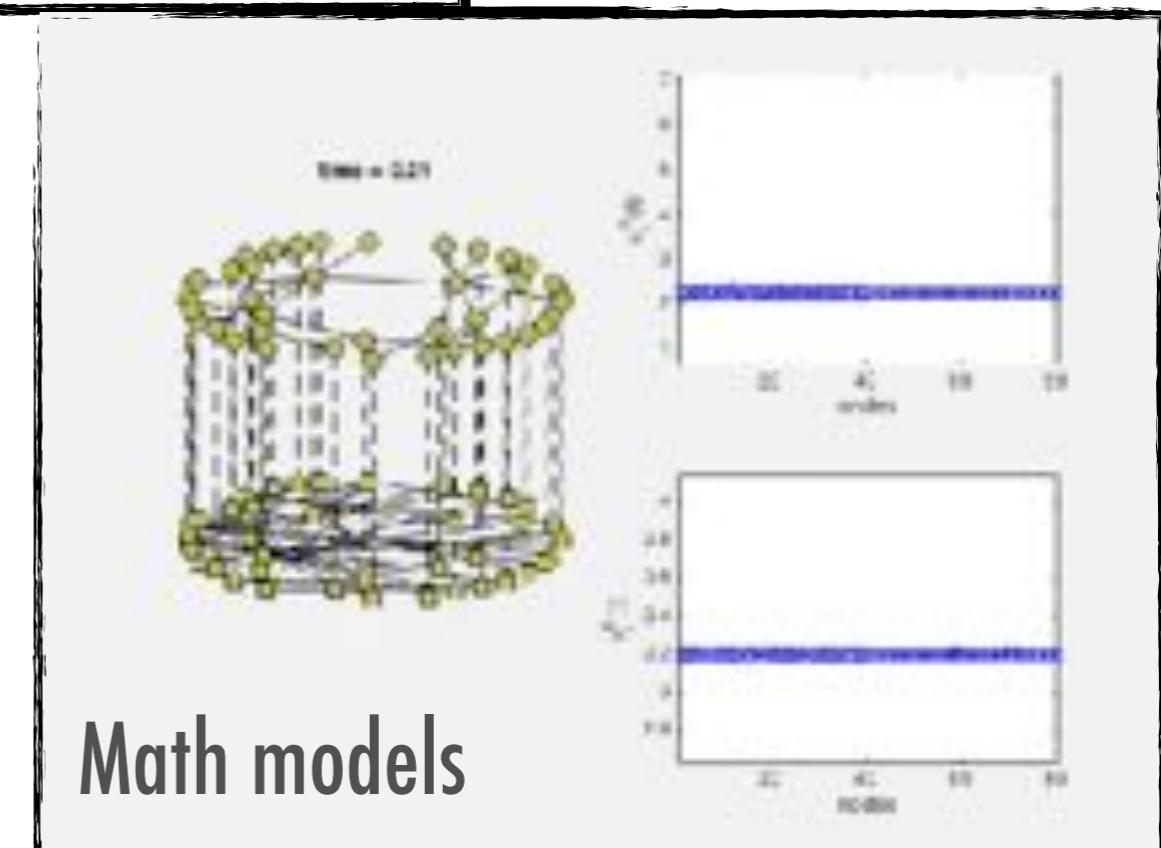


SocioPatterns



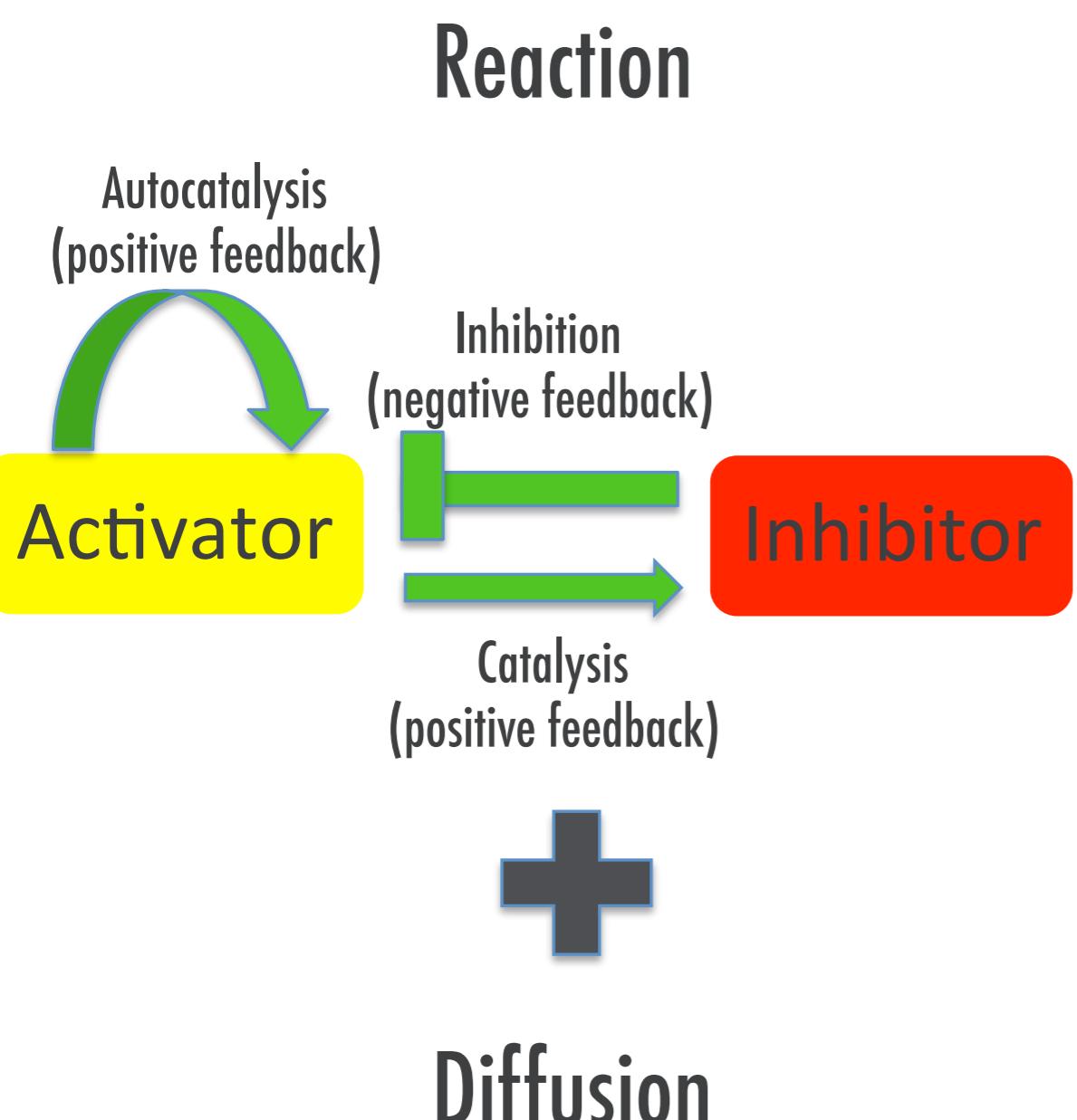
Internet

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Math models

One possible mechanism: Turing instability



$u(x, y, t)$: Amount of activator at time t and position (x, y)

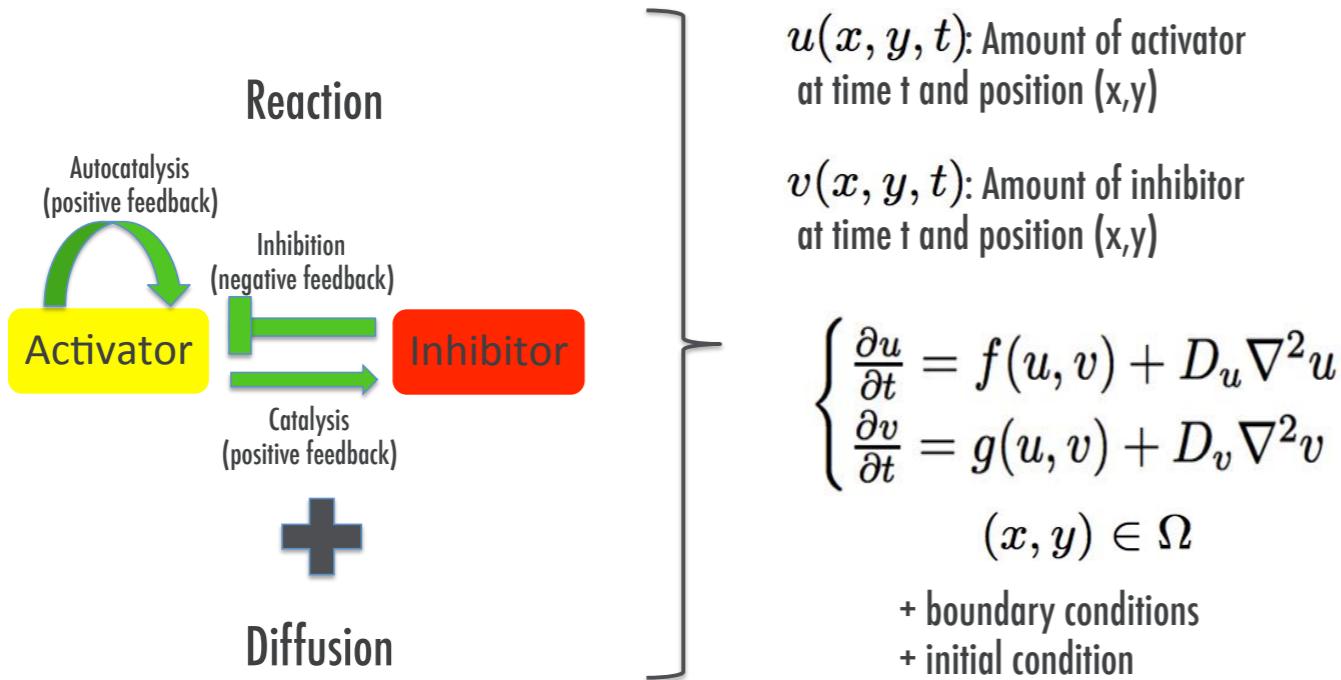
$v(x, y, t)$: Amount of inhibitor at time t and position (x, y)

$$\begin{cases} \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = f(u, v) + D_u \nabla^2 u \\ \frac{\partial v}{\partial t} = g(u, v) + D_v \nabla^2 v \end{cases}$$

$$(x, y) \in \Omega$$

+ boundary conditions
+ initial condition

One possible mechanism: Turing instability



Diffusion can drive an instability by perturbing a homogeneous stable fixed point (in absence of diffusion)

Hence as the perturbation grows, non-linearities enter into the game yielding an asymptotic, spatially inhomogeneous, steady state (stationary pattern) or time varying one (wave like pattern).

A.M.Turing,
The chemical basis of morphogenesis, Phil. Trans. R Soc London B, 237, (1952), pp.37

Some mathematics for the Turing instability

$$\begin{cases} \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = f(u, v) + D_u \nabla^2 u \\ \frac{\partial v}{\partial t} = g(u, v) + D_v \nabla^2 v \\ (x, y) \in \Omega \end{cases}$$

Assume Ω to be a square/rectangle and to use periodic boundary conditions

1) Assume there exists a spatially homogeneous solution:

$$u(x, y, t) = \hat{u} \text{ and } v(x, y, t) = \hat{v} \quad \forall (x, y) \in \Omega \text{ and } \forall t \geq 0$$

which moreover is stable when there is no diffusion:

$$D_u = D_v = 0$$

Some mathematics for the Turing instability

2) Linearise around this solution

$$\begin{cases} u(x, y, t) = \hat{u} + \delta u(x, y, t) \\ v(x, y, t) = \hat{v} + \delta v(x, y, t) \end{cases} \quad \begin{pmatrix} \dot{\delta u} \\ \dot{\delta v} \end{pmatrix} = \tilde{\mathcal{J}} \begin{pmatrix} \delta u \\ \delta v \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\tilde{\mathcal{J}} = \begin{pmatrix} f_u + D_u \nabla^2 & f_v \\ g_u & g_v + D_v \nabla^2 \end{pmatrix}$$

3) Prove that the spatially homogeneous solution:

$$u(x, y, t) = \hat{u} \text{ and } v(x, y, t) = \hat{v}$$

turns out to be unstable once the diffusion is in action

$$D_u > 0 \text{ and } D_v > 0$$

Some mathematics for the Turing instability

Sketch of the proof

i) decompose the solution on the Fourier modes (Laplacian eigenbasis)
and use the ansatz

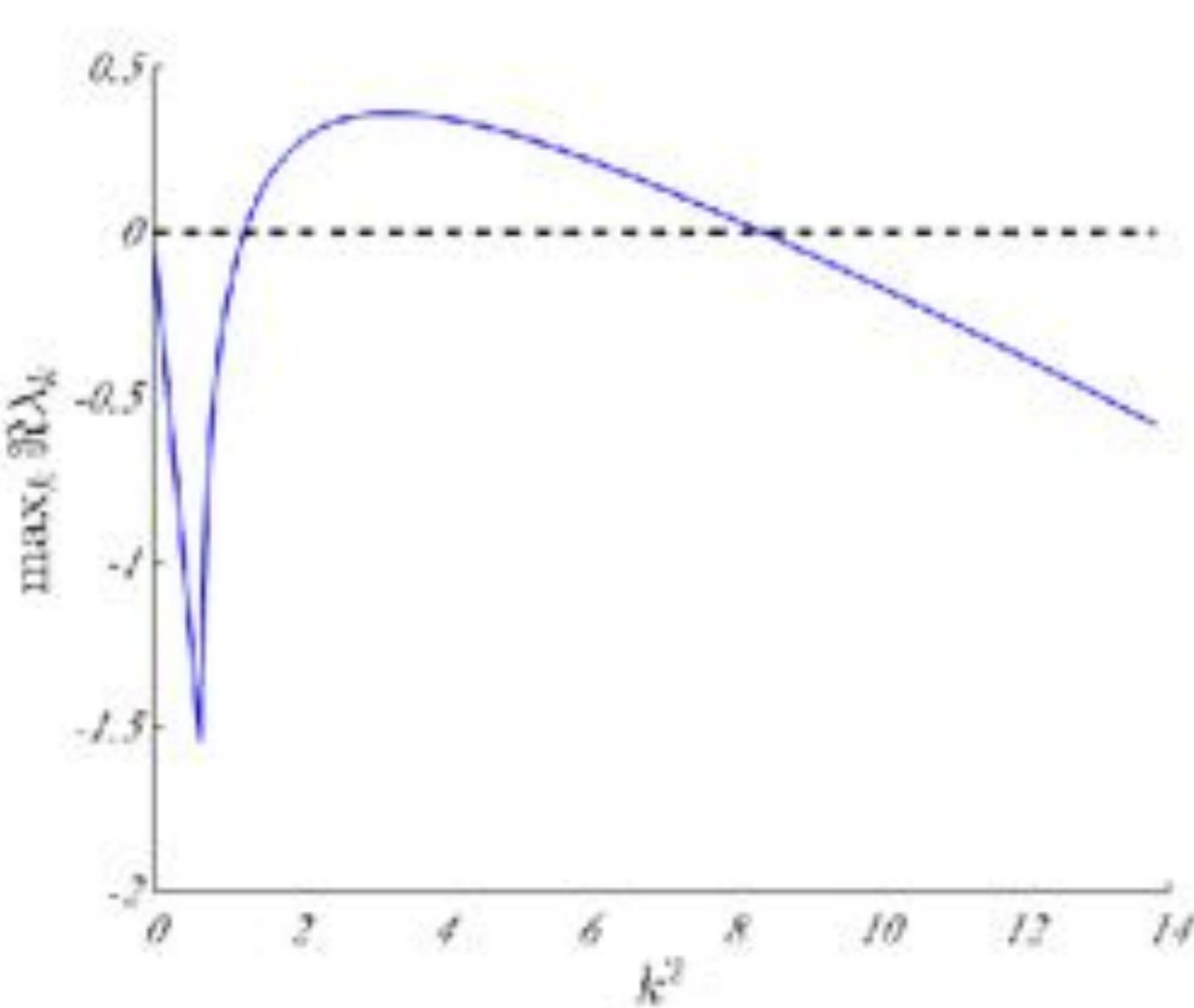
$$\delta u(x, y, t) = \sum_{k=(k_1, k_2)} c_k e^{2\pi i(k_1 x + k_2 y)} e^{\lambda_k t}$$

ii) λ_k is solution of

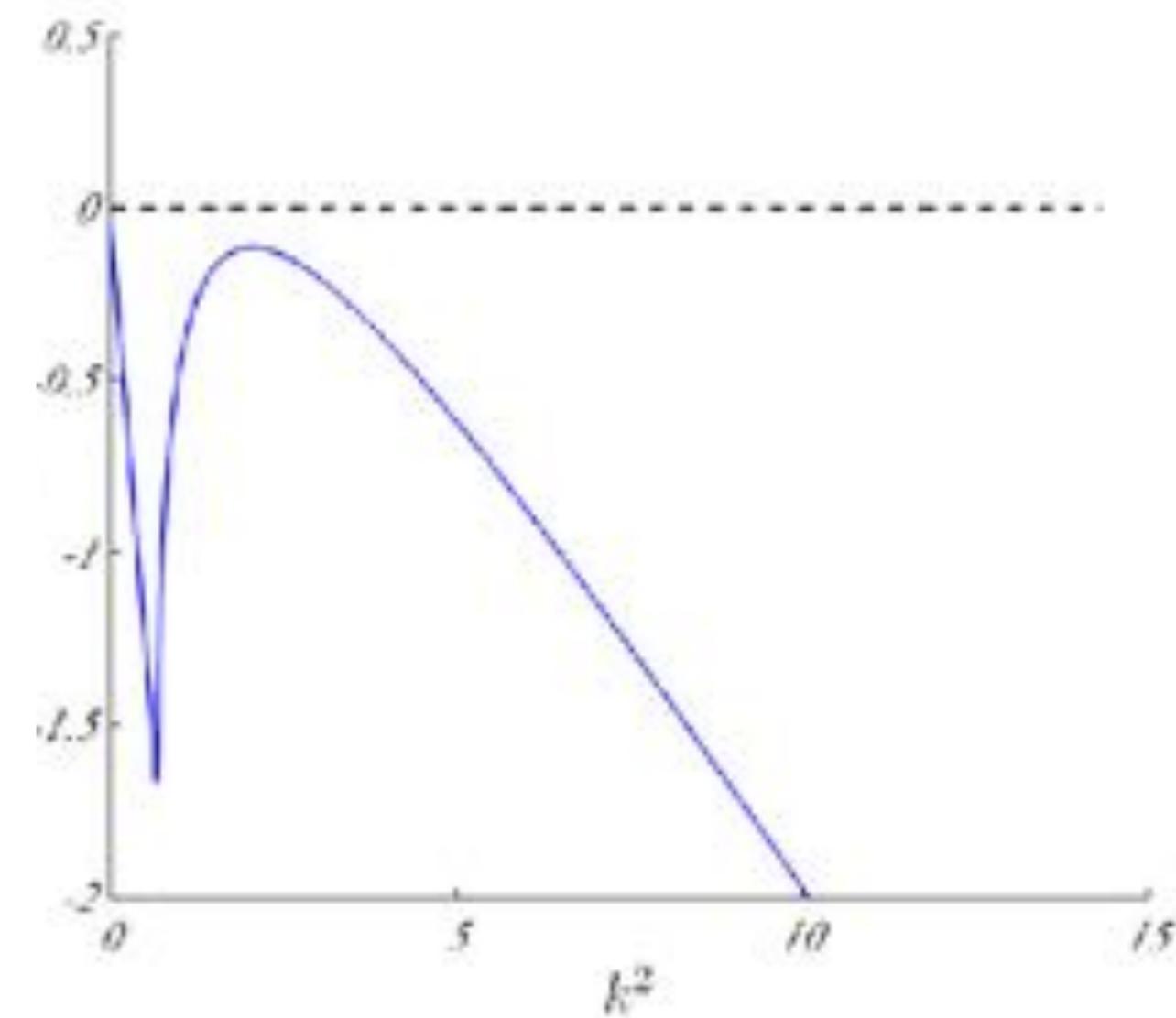
$$\det \left[\lambda_k - \begin{pmatrix} f_u - D_u k^2 & f_v \\ g_u & g_v - D_v k^2 \end{pmatrix} \right] = 0$$

Some mathematics for the Turing instability

iii) if there exists $\hat{k}^2 \in (k_-^2, k_+^2)$ such that $\Re \lambda_{\hat{k}} > 0$ then Turing patterns do emerge.



patterns do emerge



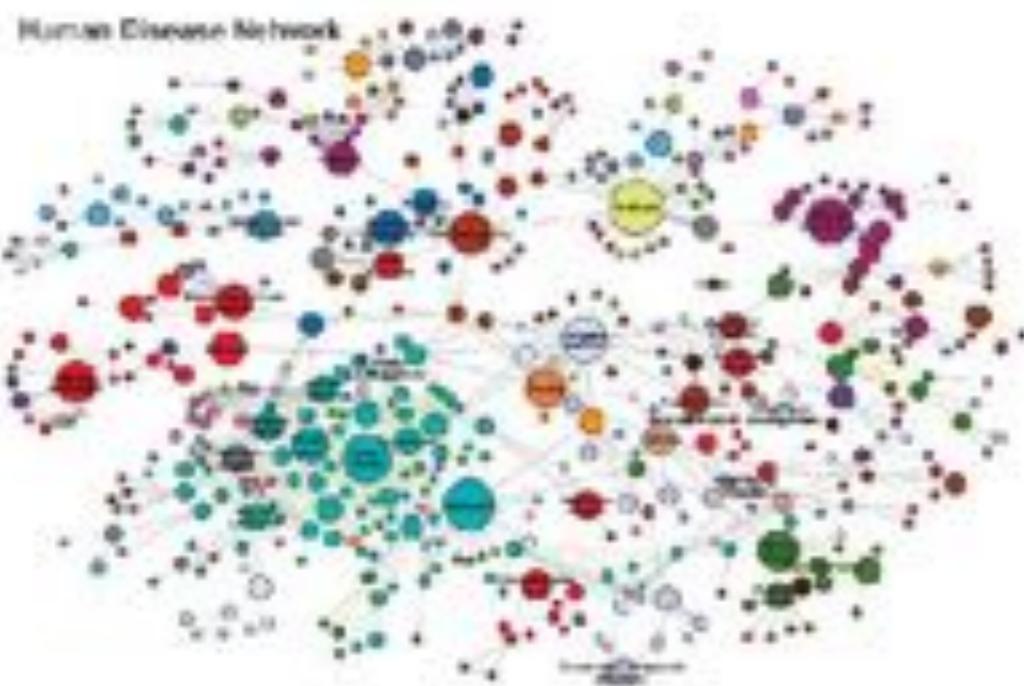
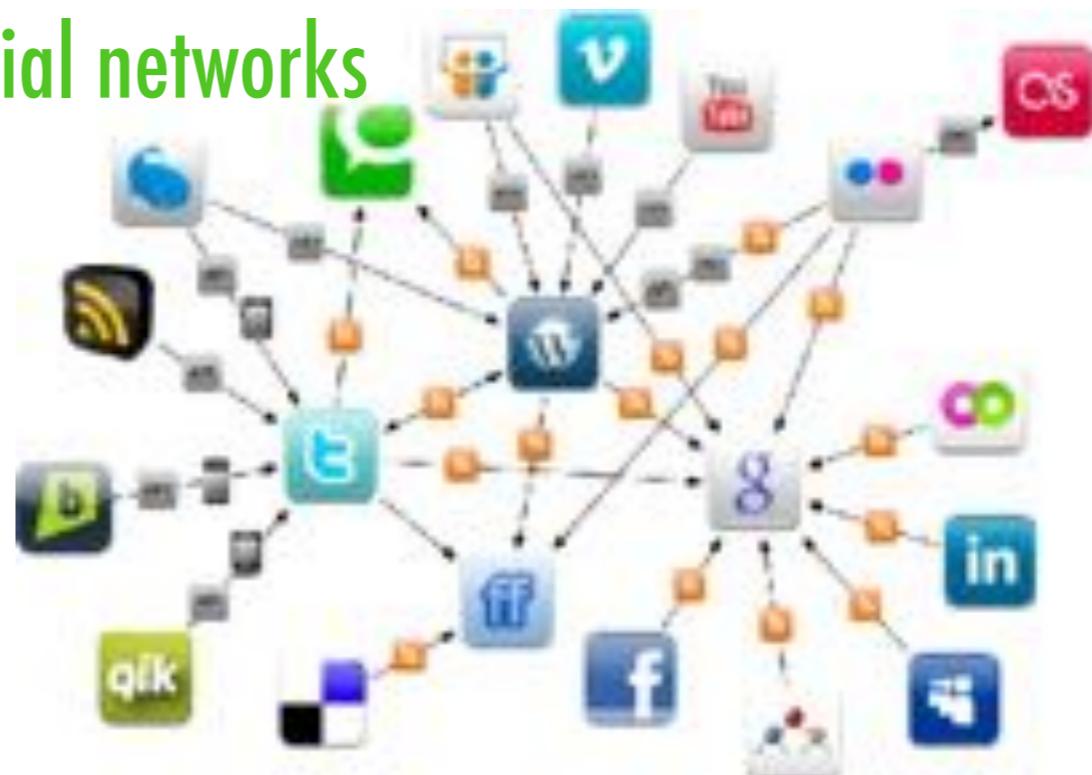
patterns do not emerge

Networks are everywhere



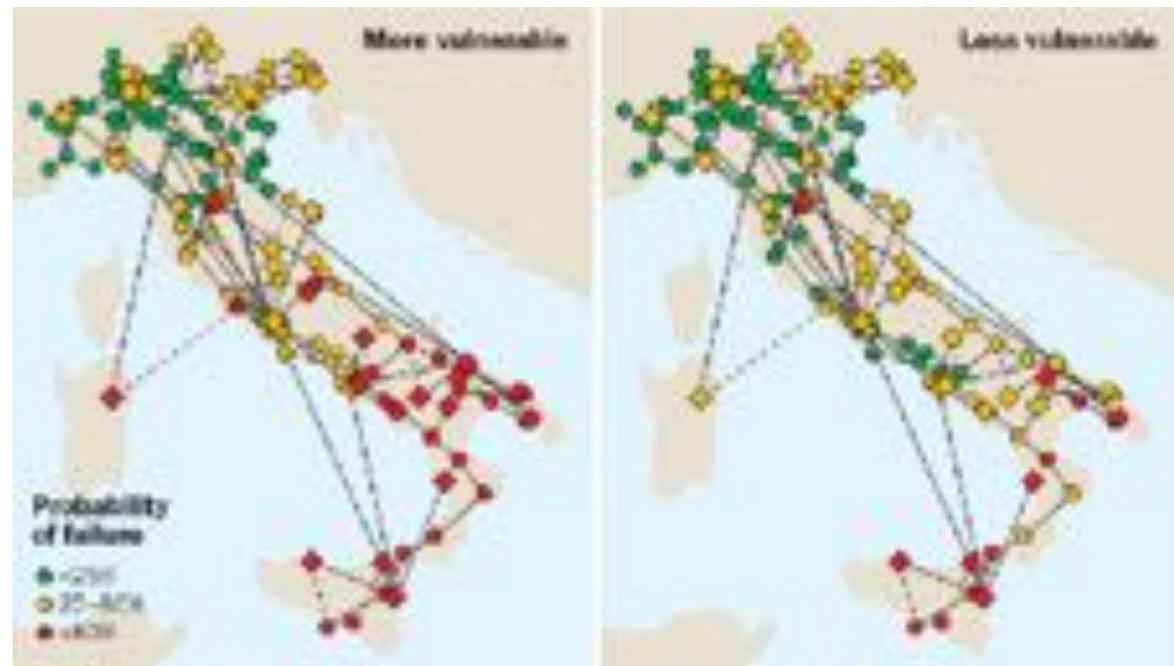
world flights map

social networks



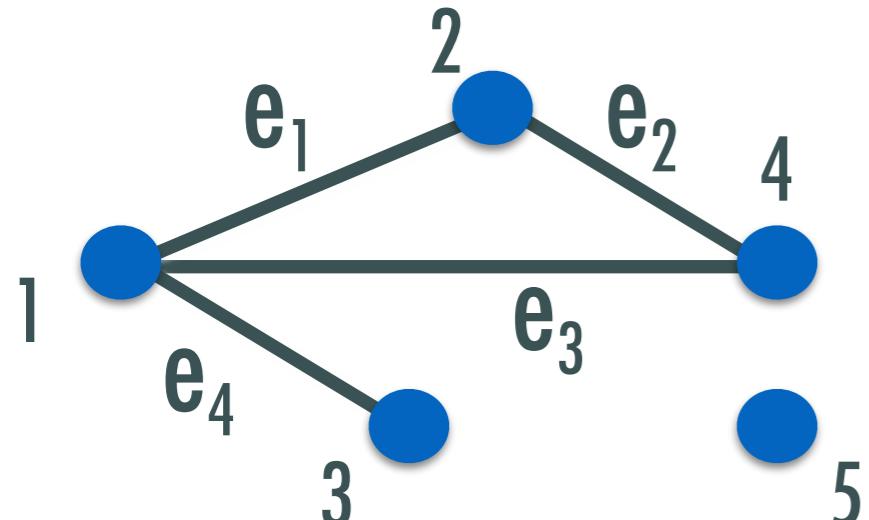
proteins networks

technological networks



(complex) Networks: some definitions

A network is a set of nodes connected by links (edges)



Ex.: 5 nodes and 4 edges (undirected)

Adjacency matrix

$$A_{ij} = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if nodes } i \text{ and } j \text{ are linked} \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

The number of links entering (going out) from each node is called in-degree (out-degree)

Ex.: degree node 1 = 3

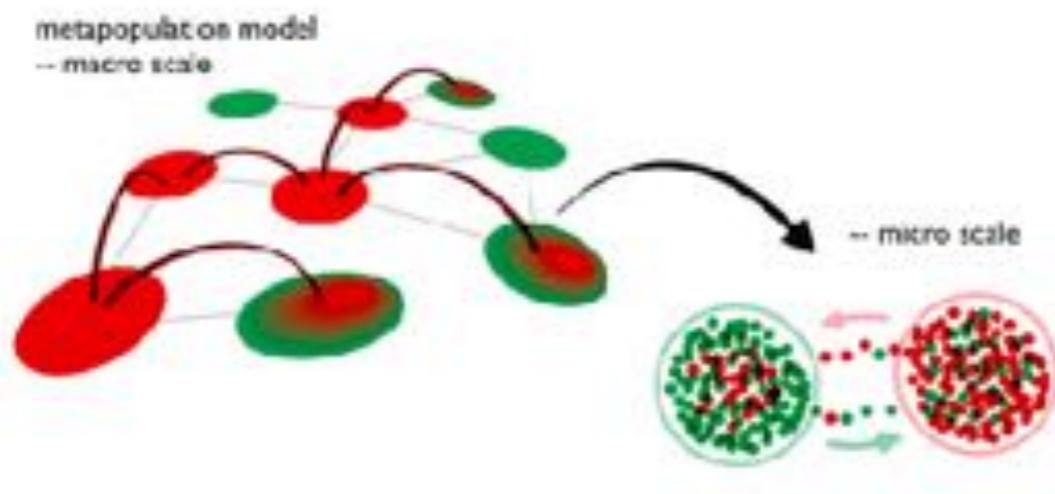
degree nodes 2 & 4 = 2

degree node 3 = 1

degree node 5 = 0

A network is said to be complex if the degree distribution is not trivial, i.e. not constant (lattice) nor Poissonian (random, Erdős-Rényi)

Extension to networks



Metapopulation models
e.g. in the framework of ecology:

May R., Will a large complex system be stable?
Nature, 238, pp. 413, (1972)

Reactions occur at each node. Diffusion occurs across edges.

Patterns

sets of nodes whose asymptotic state is far from the homogeneous equilibrium.

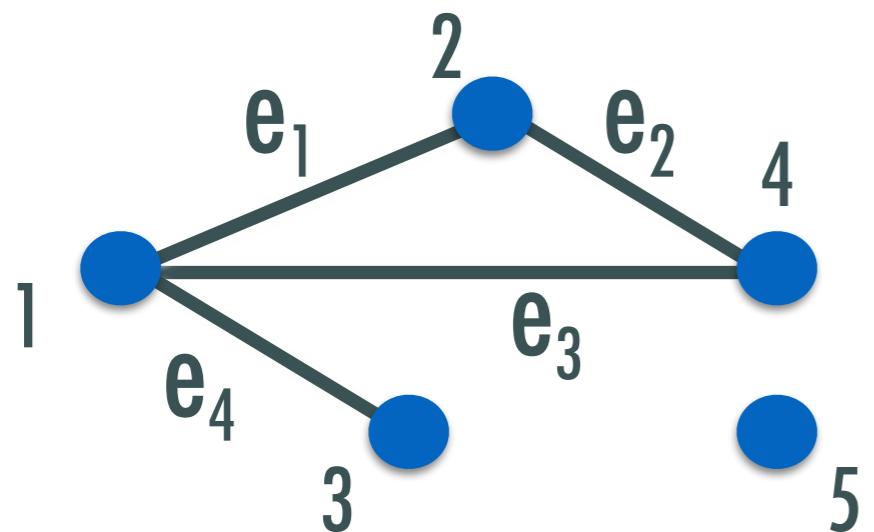
Reaction term:

$$\begin{cases} \dot{u}_i(t) = f(u_i(t), v_i(t)) \\ \dot{v}_i(t) = g(u_i(t), v_i(t)) \end{cases} \quad \forall i = 1, \dots, n \text{ and } t > 0.$$

At each node $i=1,\dots,n$, “species” u and v react through some non-linear functions f and g depending on the quantities available at node i -th
(metapopulation assumption)

Diffusion term:

Diffusive transport of species into a certain node i is given by the sum of incoming fluxes to node i from other connected nodes j , fluxes are proportional to the concentration difference between the nodes (Fick's law).



Ex.: consider the amount of u in node 1,
 u can enter from 2, 3 and 4
 u can leave 1 to go to 2, 3 and 4

$$u_2 + u_3 + u_4 - 3u_1 = \sum_j A_{1j}u_j - k_1u_1 = \sum_j (A_{1j} - \delta_{1j}k_j) u_j := \sum_j L_{1j}u_j$$

L is called Laplacian matrix of the network

The model:

$$\begin{cases} \dot{u}_i(t) &= f(u_i(t), v_i(t)) + D_u \sum_{j=1}^n L_{ij} u_j(t) \\ \dot{v}_i(t) &= g(u_i(t), v_i(t)) + D_v \sum_{j=1}^n L_{ij} v_j(t) \end{cases} \quad \forall i = 1, \dots, n \text{ and } t > 0.$$

D_u and D_v are the diffusion coefficients of species u and v

Observe that because the network is undirected, the matrices A and L are symmetric

General strategy for the network case

1) Assume there exists a spatially homogeneous solution:

$$(u_i, v_i) = (\hat{u}, \hat{v}) \quad \forall i = 1, \dots, n$$

which moreover is stable when there is no diffusion:

$$D_u = D_v = 0$$

2) Linearize around this solution

$$\begin{aligned} u_i &= \hat{u} + \delta u_i \\ v_i &= \hat{v} + \delta v_i \end{aligned} \quad \left(\begin{array}{c} \dot{\delta u} \\ \dot{\delta v} \end{array} \right) = \tilde{\mathcal{J}} \left(\begin{array}{c} \delta u \\ \delta v \end{array} \right)$$

$$\tilde{\mathcal{J}} = \begin{pmatrix} f_u \mathbf{I}_n + D_u L & f_v \mathbf{I}_n \\ g_u \mathbf{I}_n & g_v \mathbf{I}_n + D_v L \end{pmatrix}$$

General strategy for the network case

3) Prove that (possibly) the spatially homogeneous solution:

$$(u_i, v_i) = (\hat{u}, \hat{v}) \quad \forall i = 1, \dots, n$$

turns out to be unstable once the diffusion is in action

$$D_u > 0 \text{ and } D_v > 0$$

Sketch of the proof

i) Let $L\vec{\phi}^\alpha = \Lambda^\alpha \vec{\phi}^\alpha$, $\alpha = 1, \dots, n$ $\vec{\phi}^\alpha = (\phi_1^\alpha, \dots, \phi_n^\alpha)$

$$\sum_i \phi_i^\alpha \phi_i^\beta = \delta_{\alpha\beta} \quad \Lambda^\alpha \leq 0$$

ii) decompose the solution on the eigenbasis and use the ansatz

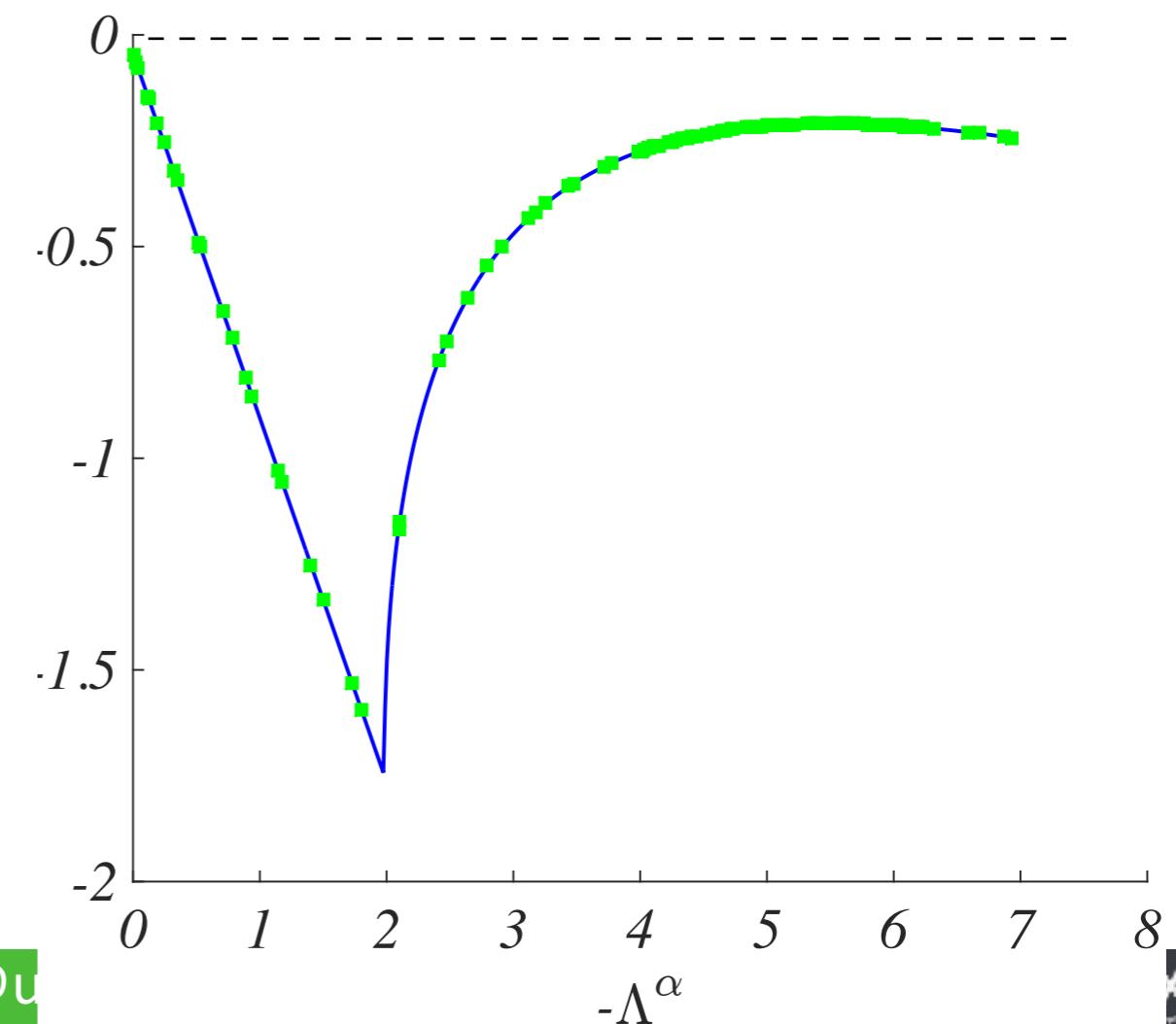
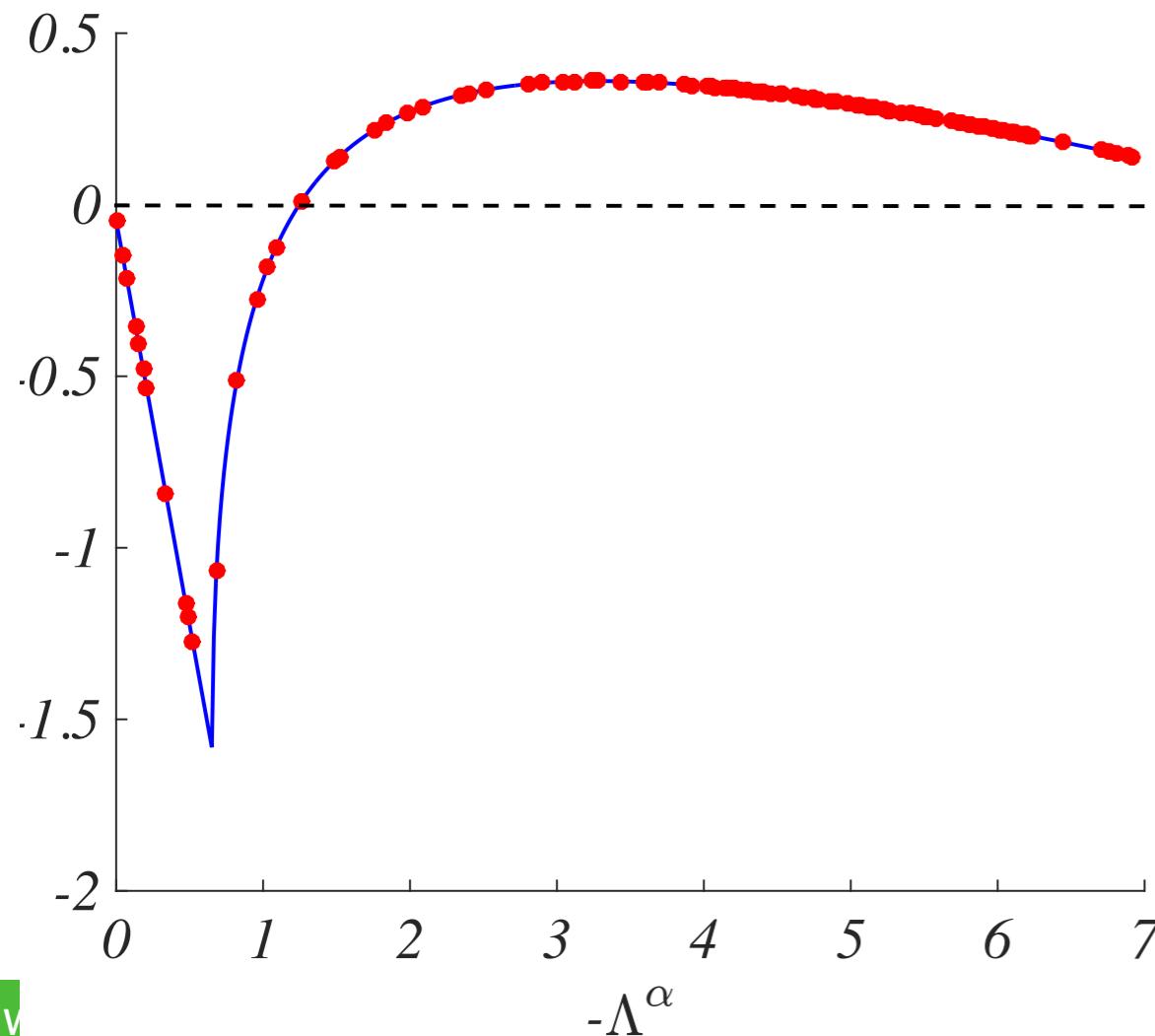
$$\delta u_i(t) = \sum_{\alpha=1}^n c_\alpha \phi_i^\alpha e^{\lambda_\alpha t}$$

General strategy

iii) λ_α (called relation dispersion) is solution of

$$\det \left[\lambda_\alpha - \begin{pmatrix} f_u + D_u \Lambda^\alpha & f_v \\ g_u & g_v + D_v \Lambda^\alpha \end{pmatrix} \right] = 0$$

iv) if there exists Λ^{α_c} such that $\Re \lambda_{\alpha_c} > 0$ then Turing patterns do emerge.

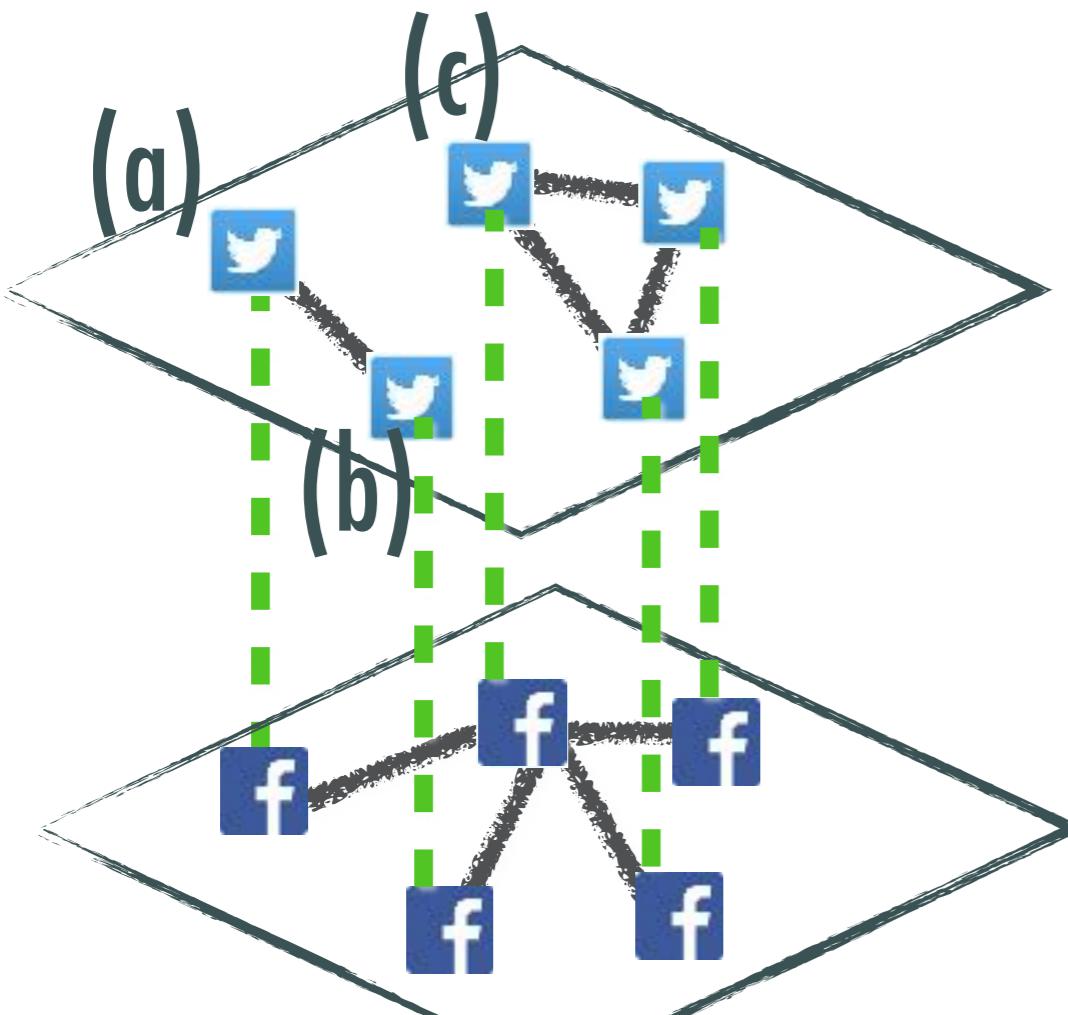


Systems composed by layers of networks: **Multiplexes**

Social networks

layers=different social networks

nodes=same agent in each SN



Transportation networks

layers=different modalities

nodes=same spatial location

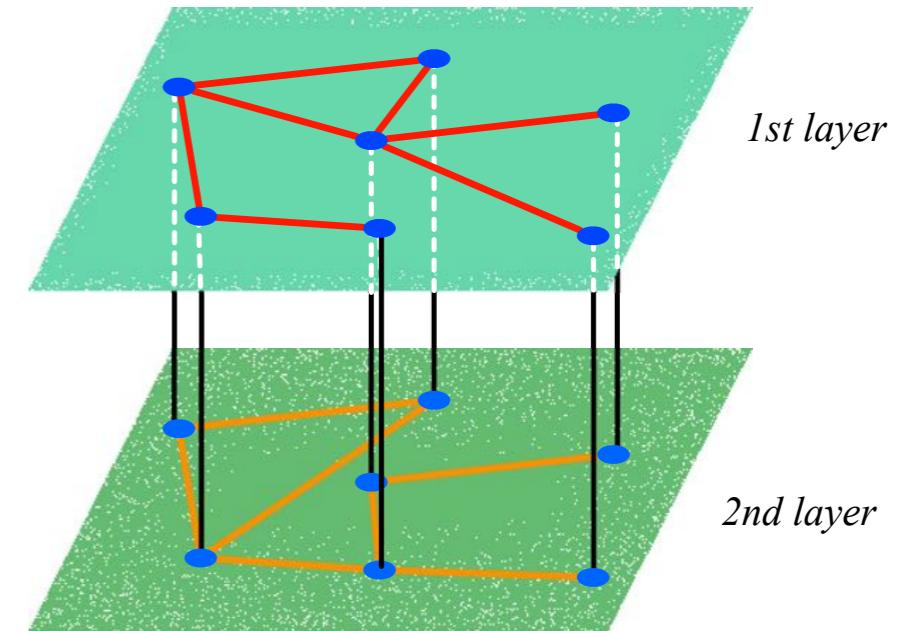
Turing instabilities on multiplex networks

adjacency matrix of
layer K

$$L_{ij}^K = A_{ij}^K - \delta_{ij} k_i^K$$

Laplacian matrix of
layer K

degree of i-th note
in layer K



The same Ω nodes are present in each layer

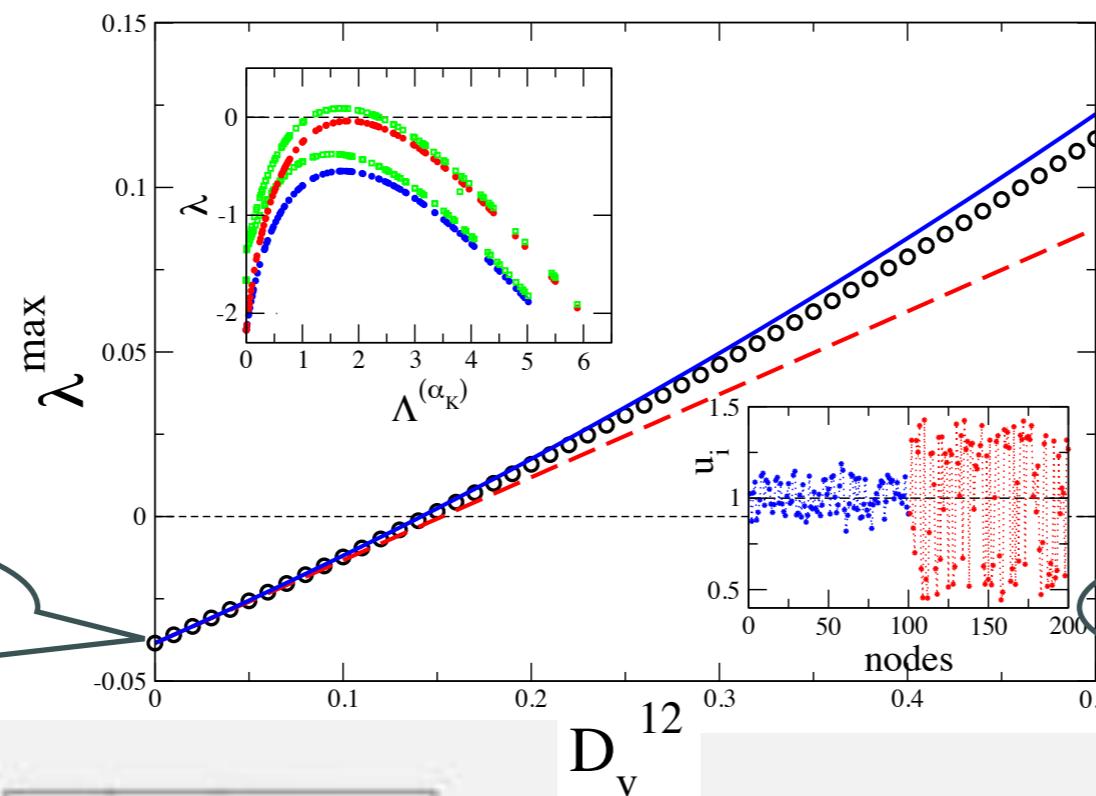
$D_{u,v}^K$ **inter-layer diffusion coefficient**

$D_{u,v}^{12}$ **intra-layer diffusion coefficient**

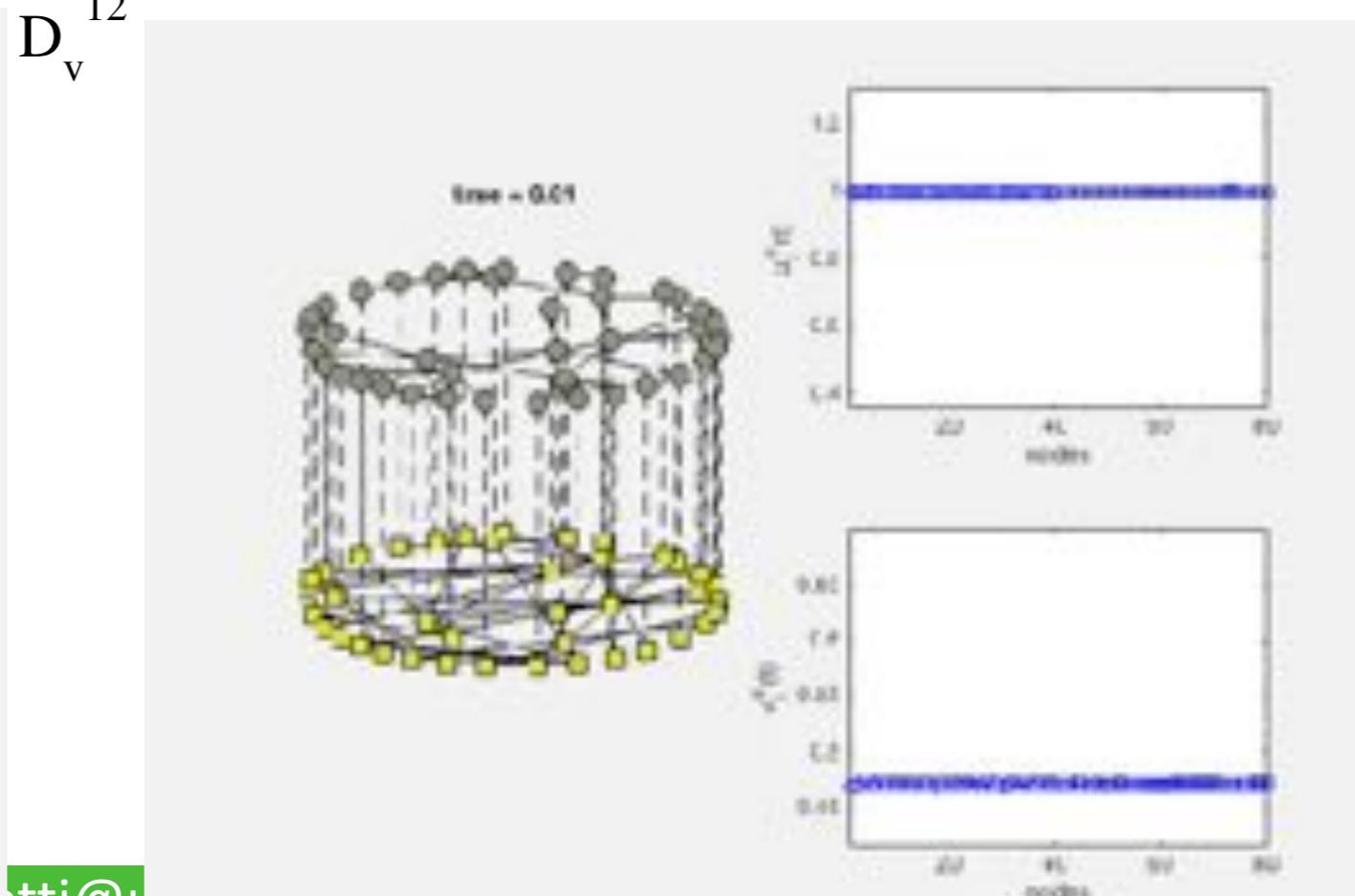
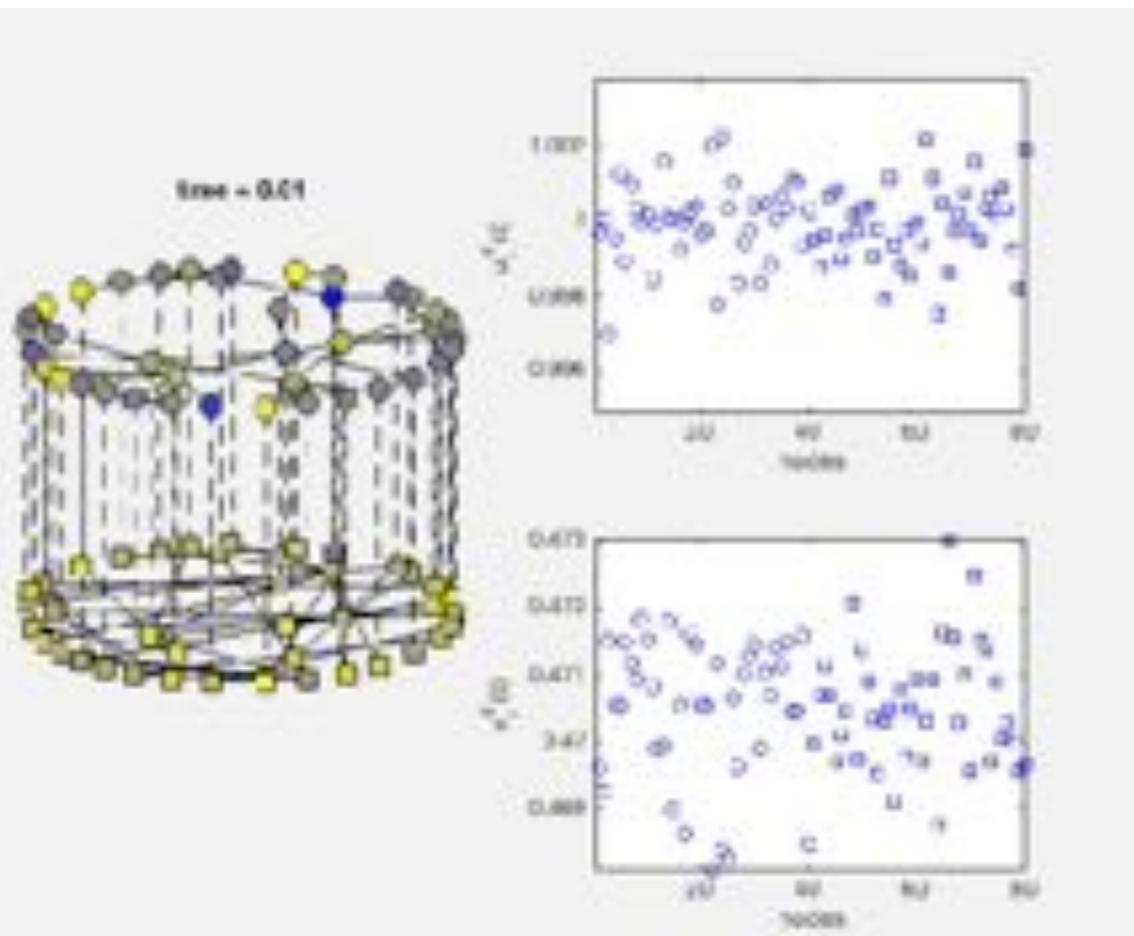
$$\begin{cases} \dot{u}_i^K &= f(u_i^K, v_i^K) + D_u^K \sum_{j=1}^{\Omega} L_{ij}^K u_j^K + D_u^{12} (u_i^{K+1} - u_i^K) \\ \dot{v}_i^K &= g(u_i^K, v_i^K) + D_v^K \sum_{j=1}^{\Omega} L_{ij}^K v_j^K + D_v^{12} (v_i^{K+1} - v_i^K) \end{cases}$$

Small intra-layer diffusion case: onset of patterns

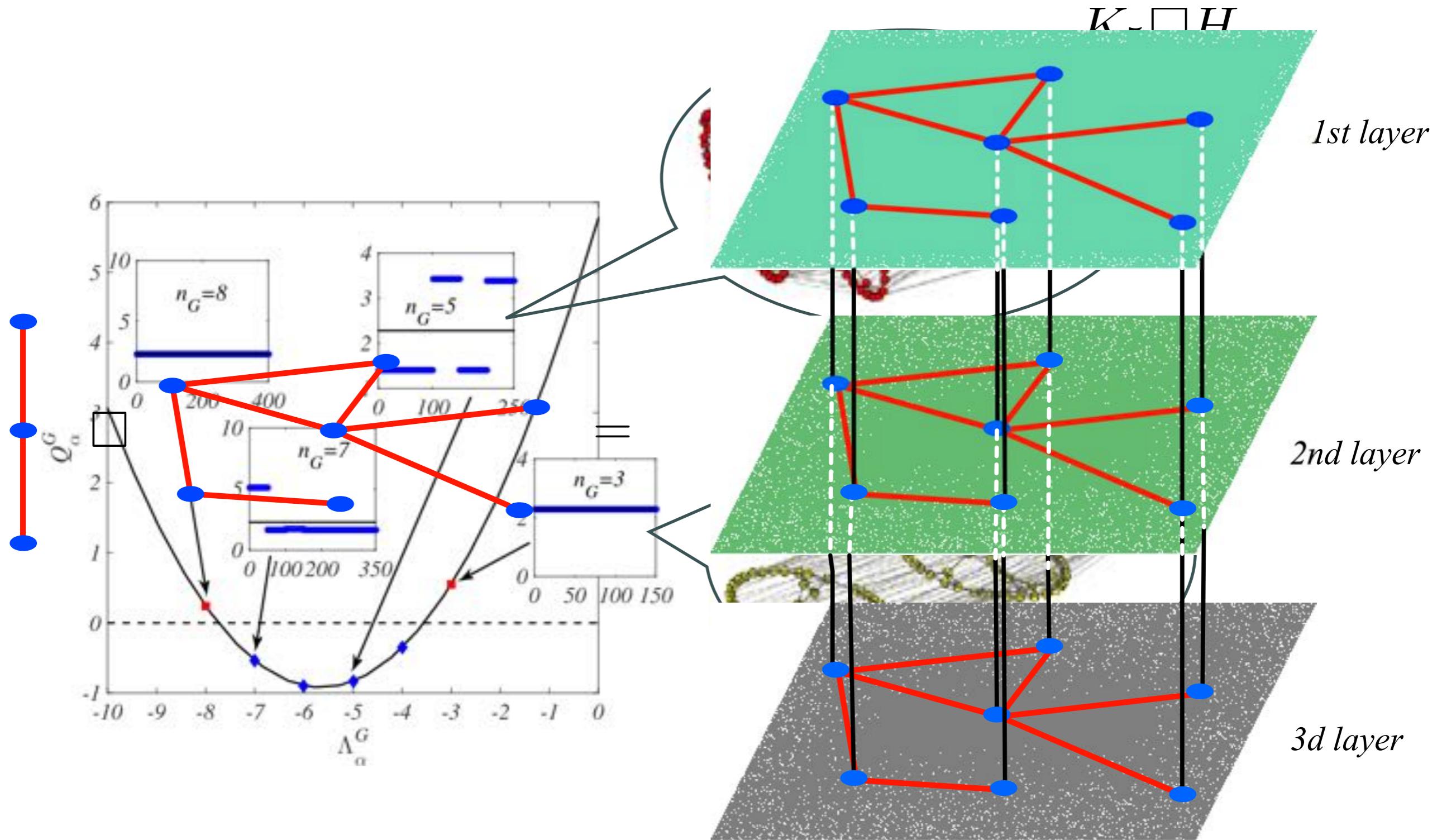
$$D_v^{12} = D_u^{12} = 0$$



$$D_u^{12} = 0 \quad D_v^{12} = 0.5$$

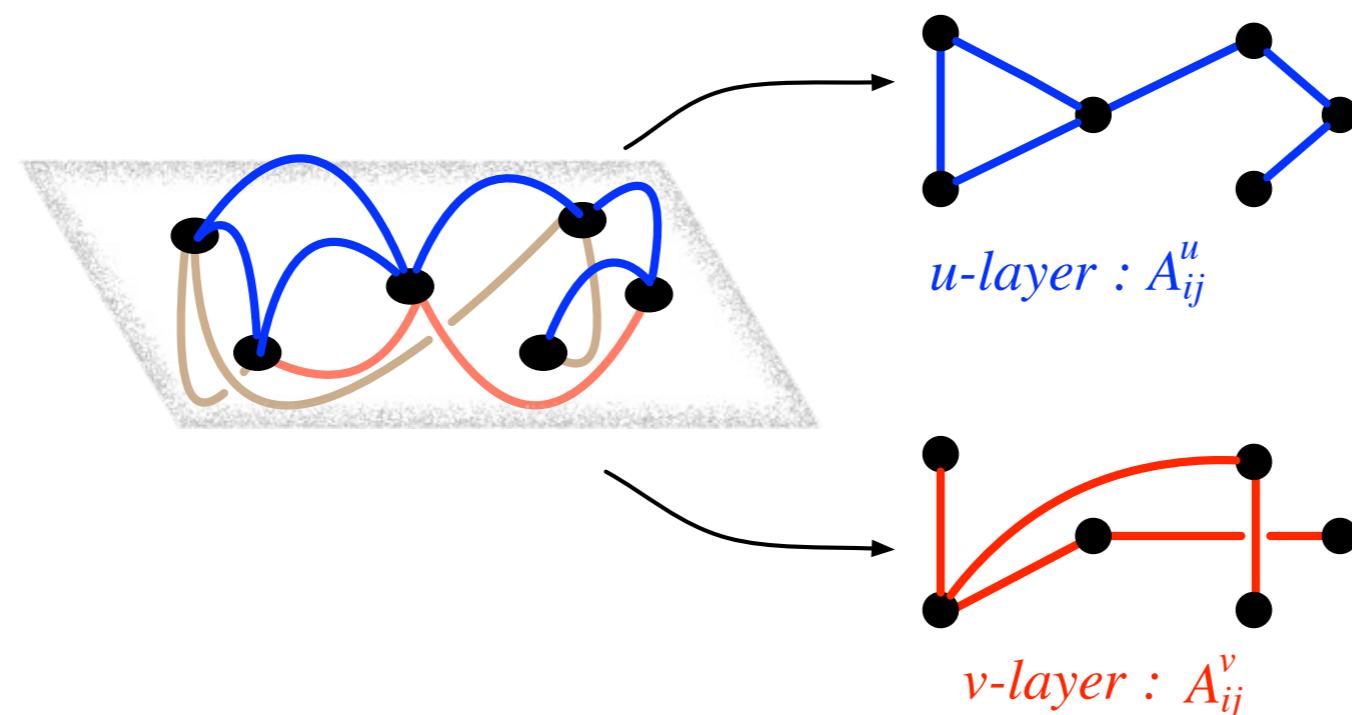


Add-Remove one layer: Cartesian product networks



Can we control the topology to create (destroy) patterns?

Let us consider a multigraph, e.g. two nodes can be connected through different edges



$$\epsilon = 0$$

$$A^u(0) = A^0$$

$$A^v(0) = A^0$$

$$\epsilon = 1$$

$$A^u(\epsilon) = A^0 + \epsilon(A^1 - A^0)$$

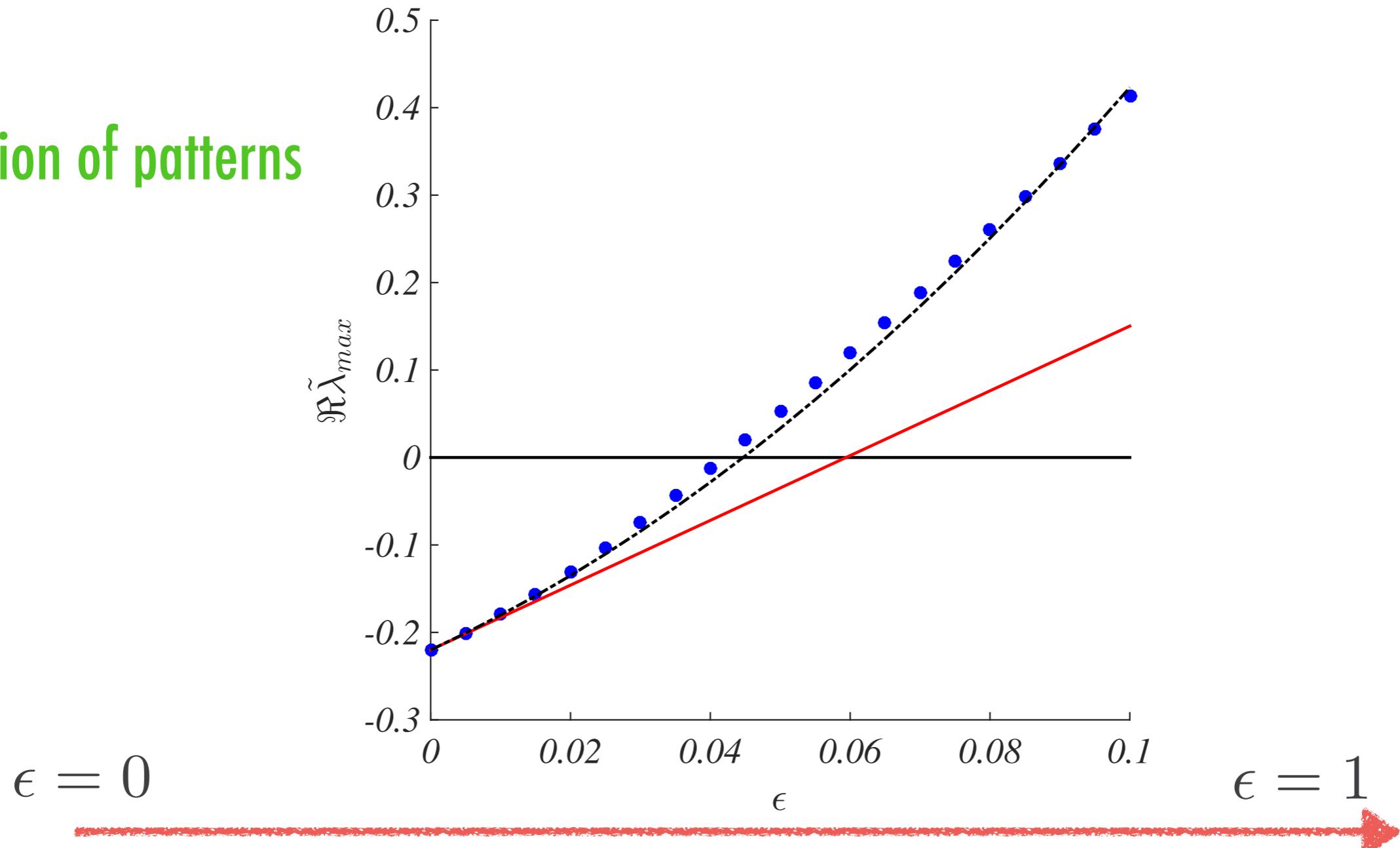
$$A^v(\epsilon) = A^0 + \epsilon(A^2 - A^0)$$

$$A^u(1) = A^1$$

$$A^v(1) = A^2$$

Can we control the topology to create (destroy) patterns?

creation of patterns



$$A^u(0) = A^0$$

$$A^v(0) = A^0$$

$$A^u(\epsilon) = A^0 + \epsilon(A^1 - A^0)$$

$$A^v(\epsilon) = A^0 + \epsilon(A^2 - A^0)$$

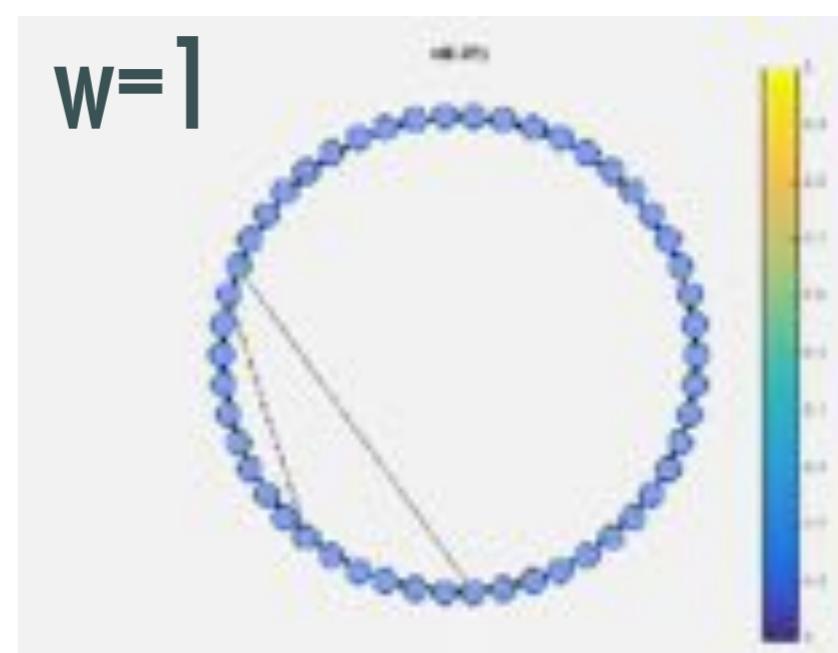
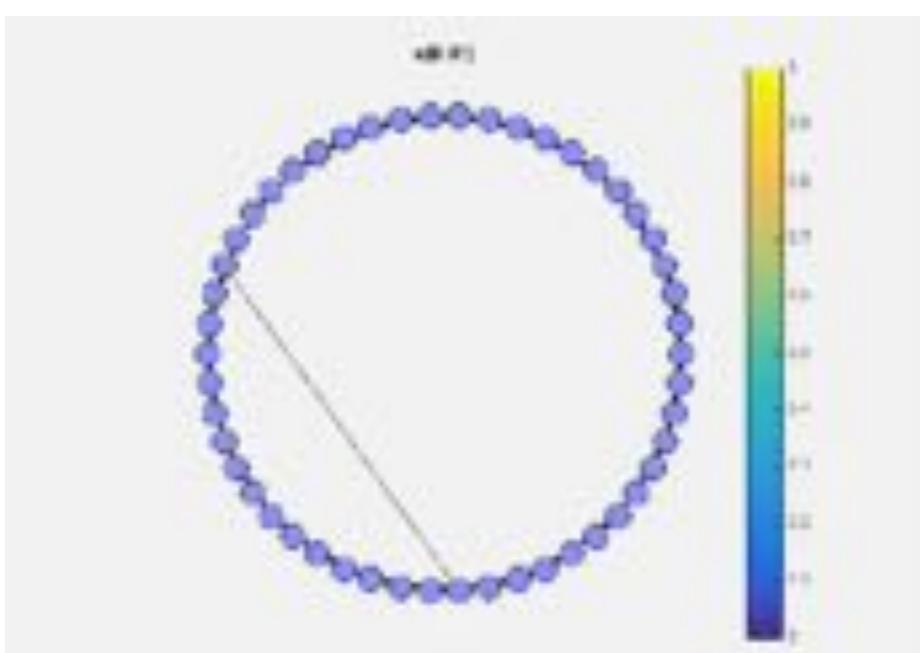
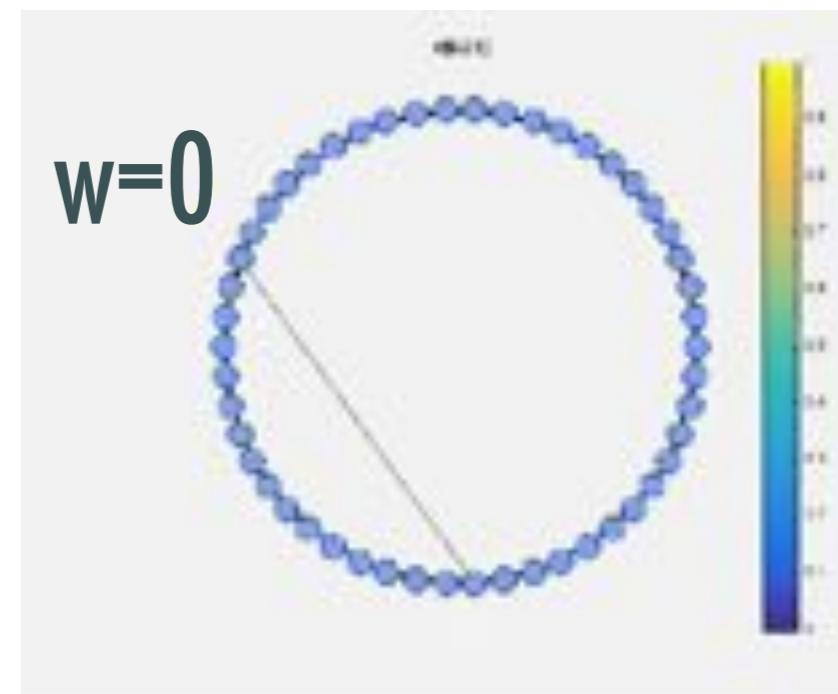
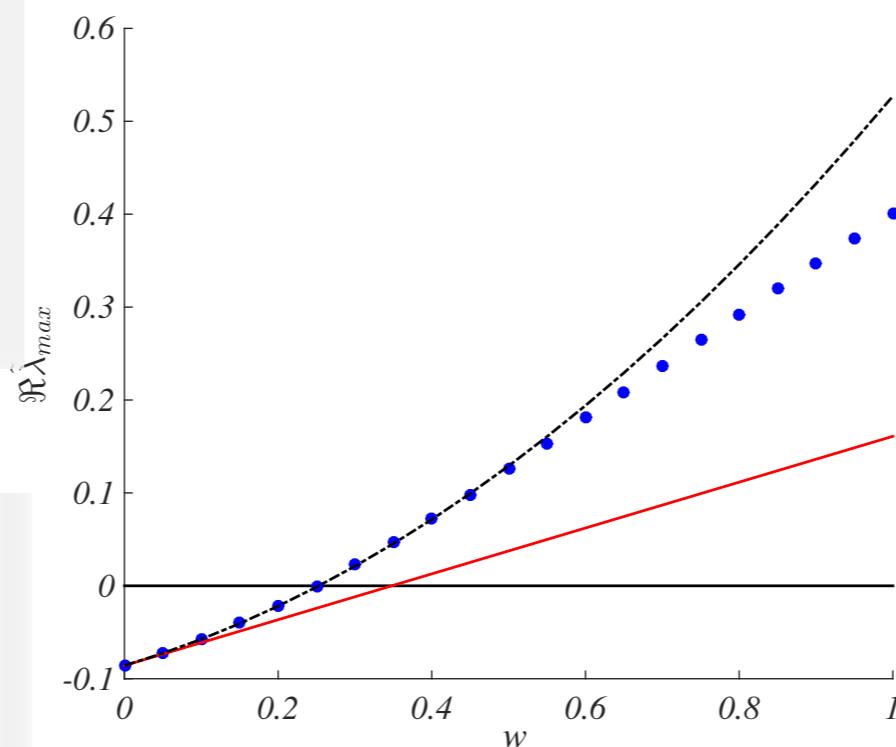
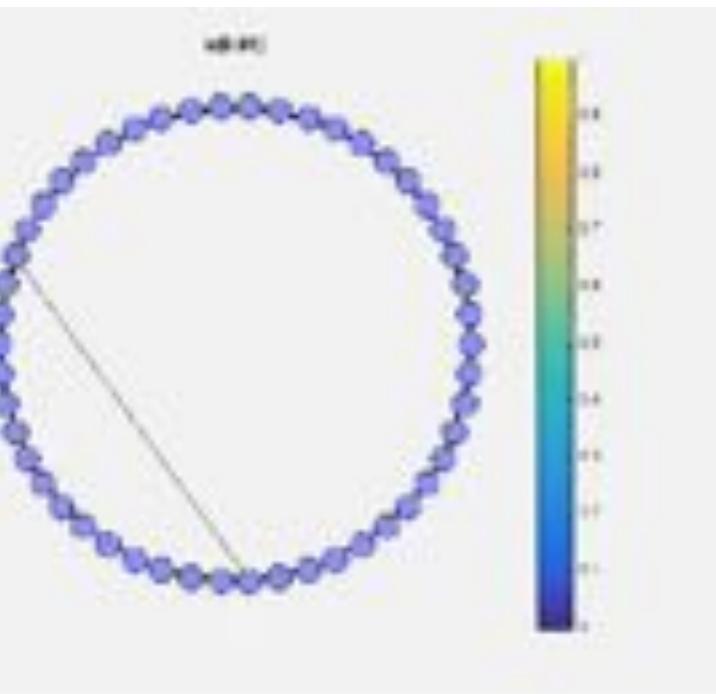
$$A^u(1) = A^1$$

$$A^v(1) = A^2$$

Create patterns by adding a single (optimally chosen) link

$$A^u(w) = A^0$$

$$A^v(w) = A^0 + wT^{(ij)}$$



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$$\tilde{\mathcal{J}} = \begin{pmatrix} f_u \mathbf{I}_{2\Omega} + \mathcal{L}_u + D_u^{12} \mathcal{I} & f_v \mathbf{I}_{2\Omega} \\ g_u \mathbf{I}_{2\Omega} & g_v \mathbf{I}_{2\Omega} + \mathcal{L}_v + D_v^{12} \mathcal{I} \end{pmatrix}$$

Supra-Laplacian matrix $\mathcal{L}_u + D_u^{12} \mathcal{I}$

$$\mathcal{L}_u = \begin{pmatrix} D_u^1 \mathbf{L}^1 & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{0} & D_u^2 \mathbf{L}^2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\mathcal{I} = \begin{pmatrix} -\mathbf{I}_\Omega & \mathbf{I}_\Omega \\ \mathbf{I}_\Omega & -\mathbf{I}_\Omega \end{pmatrix}$$

3) Study the spectrum of

$$\tilde{\mathcal{J}} = \begin{pmatrix} f_u \mathbf{I}_{2\Omega} + \mathcal{L}_u + D_u^{12} \mathcal{I} & f_v \mathbf{I}_{2\Omega} \\ g_u \mathbf{I}_{2\Omega} & g_v \mathbf{I}_{2\Omega} + \mathcal{L}_v + D_v^{12} \mathcal{I} \end{pmatrix}$$

to determine the existence of eigenvalues such that

$$\Re \lambda(D_{u,v}^{12}, D_{u,v}^K) > 0$$

Very hard for generic topologies, however ...

Small intra-layer diffusion case

Assume $D_v^{12} = \epsilon \ll 1$ $D_u^{12} = \mathcal{O}(\epsilon)$

$$\begin{aligned}\tilde{\mathcal{J}} &= \begin{pmatrix} f_u \mathbf{I}_{2\Omega} + \mathcal{L}_u & f_v \mathbf{I}_{2\Omega} \\ g_u \mathbf{I}_{2\Omega} & g_v \mathbf{I}_{2\Omega} + \mathcal{L}_v \end{pmatrix} + \epsilon \begin{pmatrix} \frac{D_u^{12}}{D_v^{12}} L^1 & 0 \\ 0 & L^2 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \tilde{\mathcal{J}}_0 + \epsilon \mathcal{D}_0\end{aligned}$$

Perturbative approach to compute the spectrum

$$\lambda^{max}(\epsilon) = \lambda_0^{max} + \epsilon (U_0 \mathcal{D}_0 V_0)_{k_{max} k_{max}} + \mathcal{O}(\epsilon^2)$$

$$\lambda_0^{max} = \max \lambda_k(\epsilon = 0) \quad k_{max} = \arg \max \lambda_k(\epsilon = 0)$$