

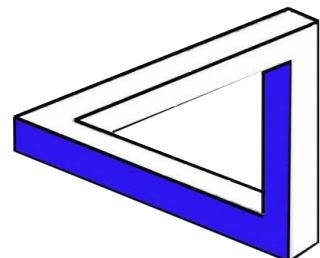
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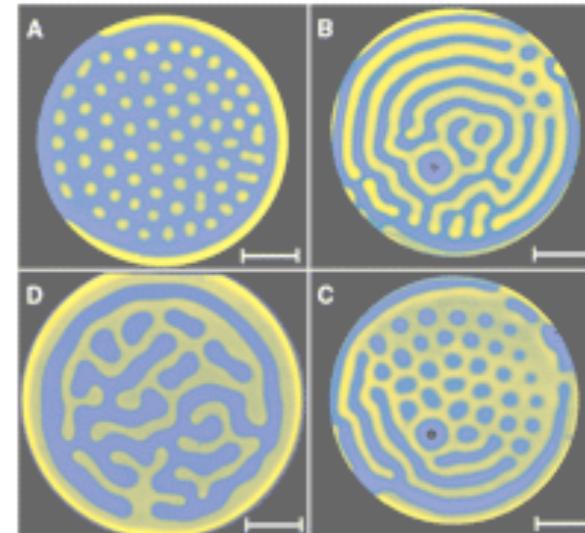
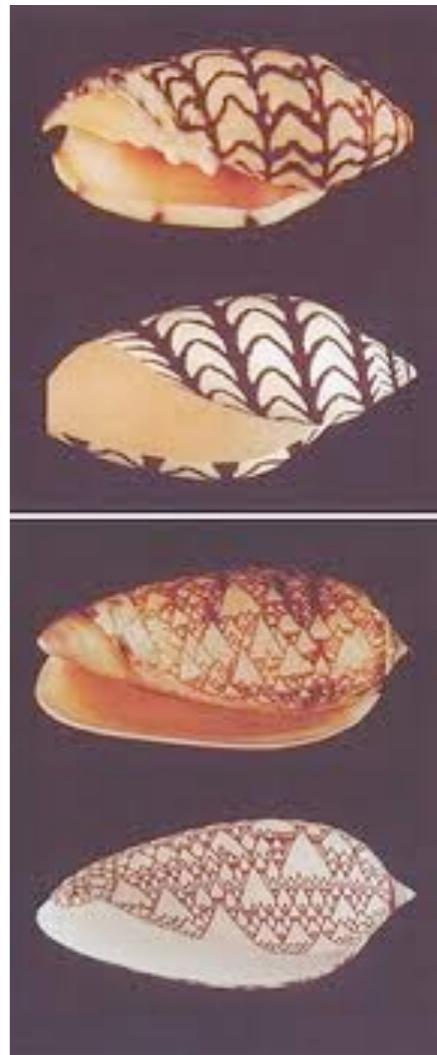
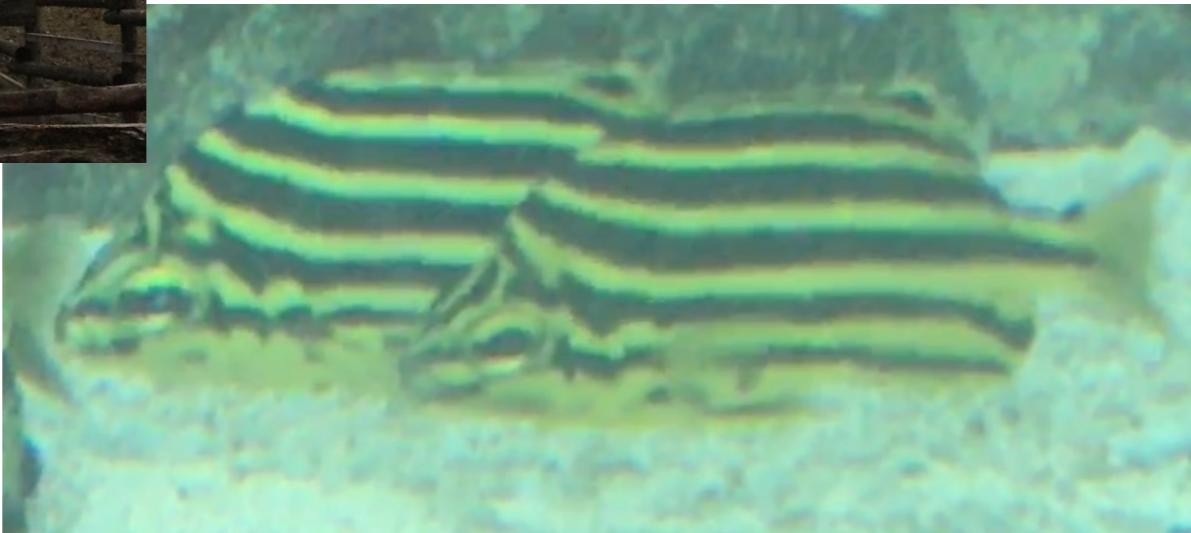
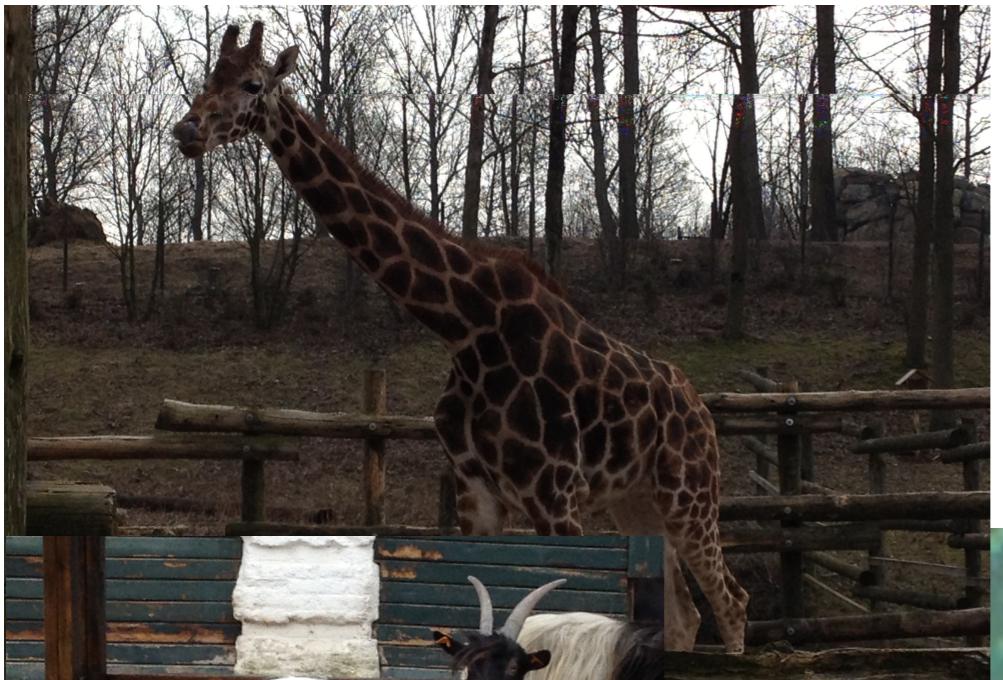
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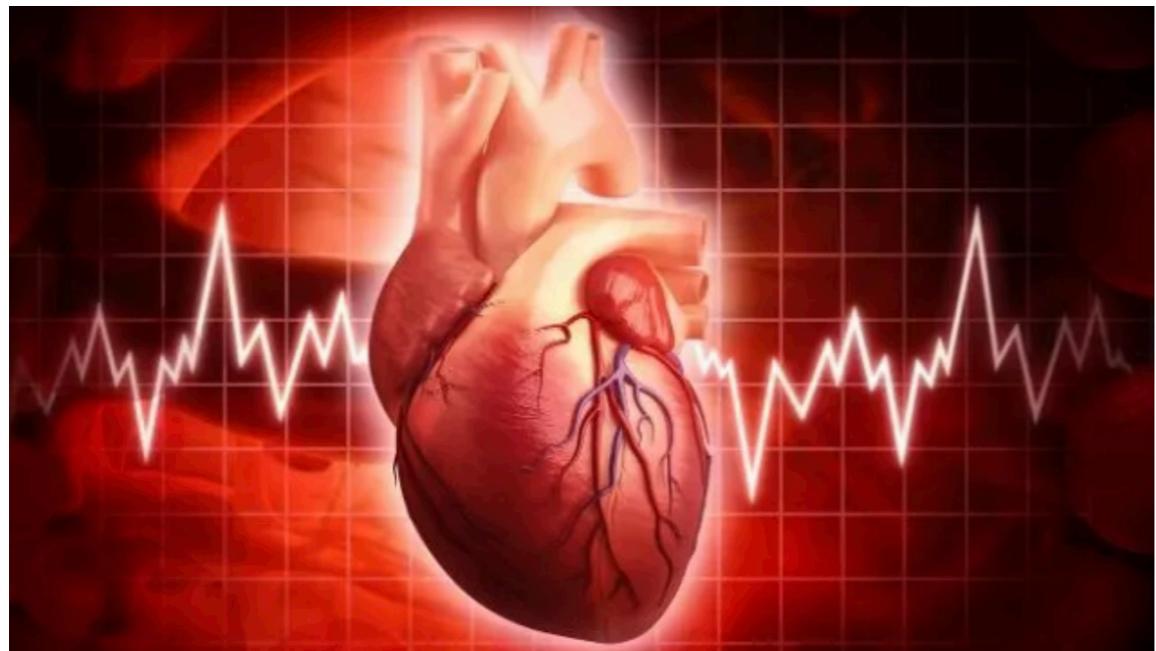
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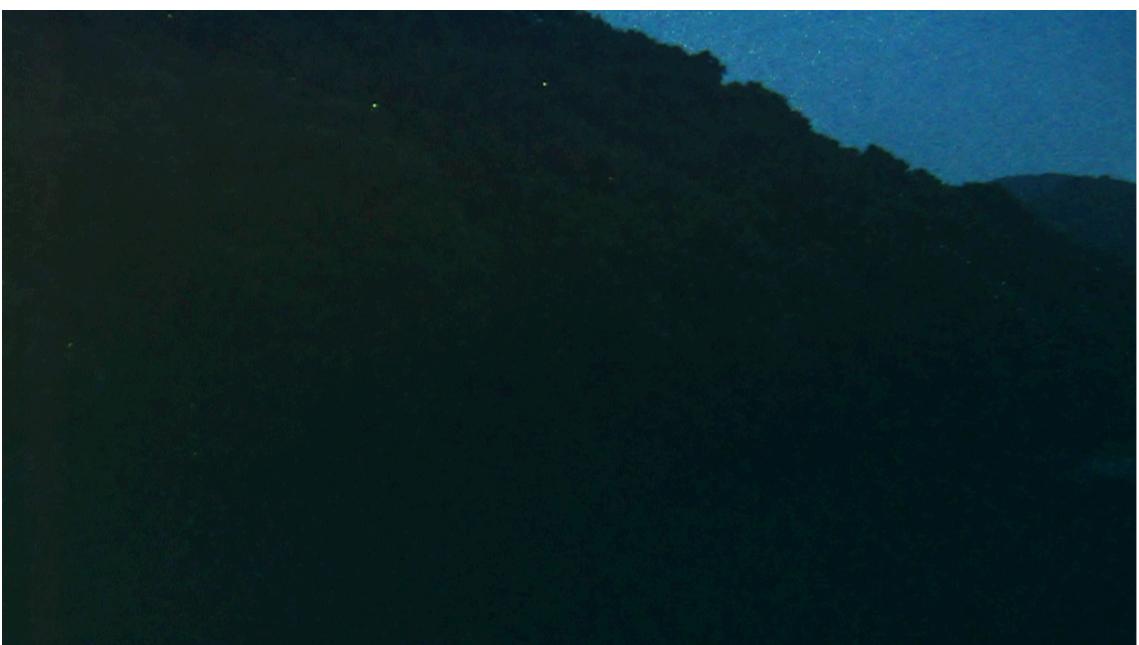
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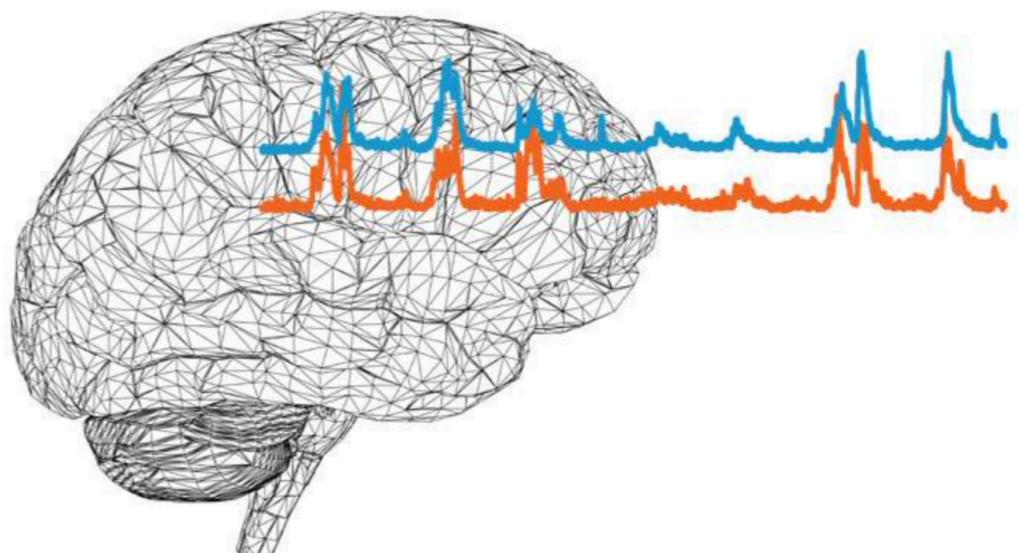
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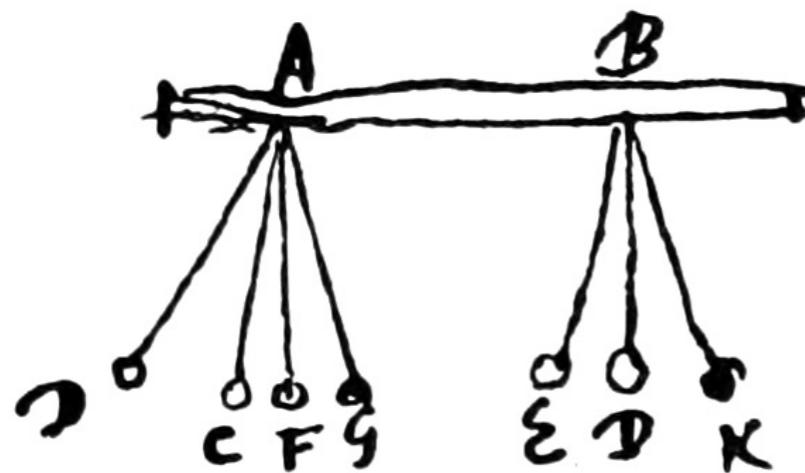
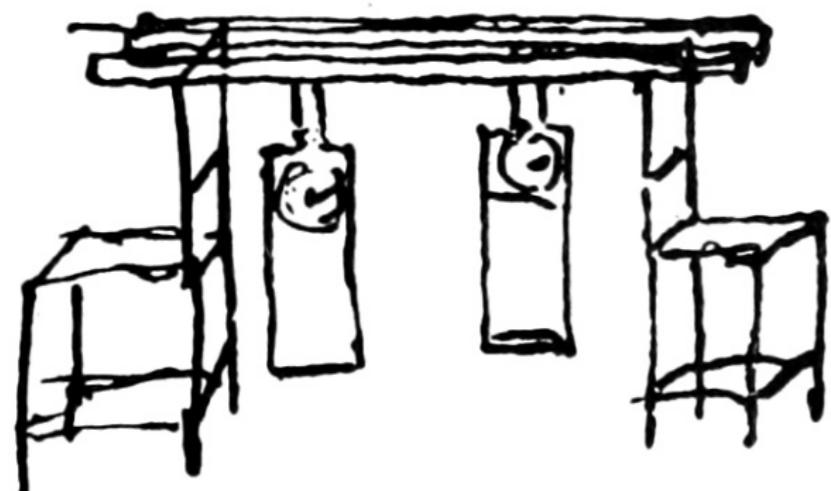
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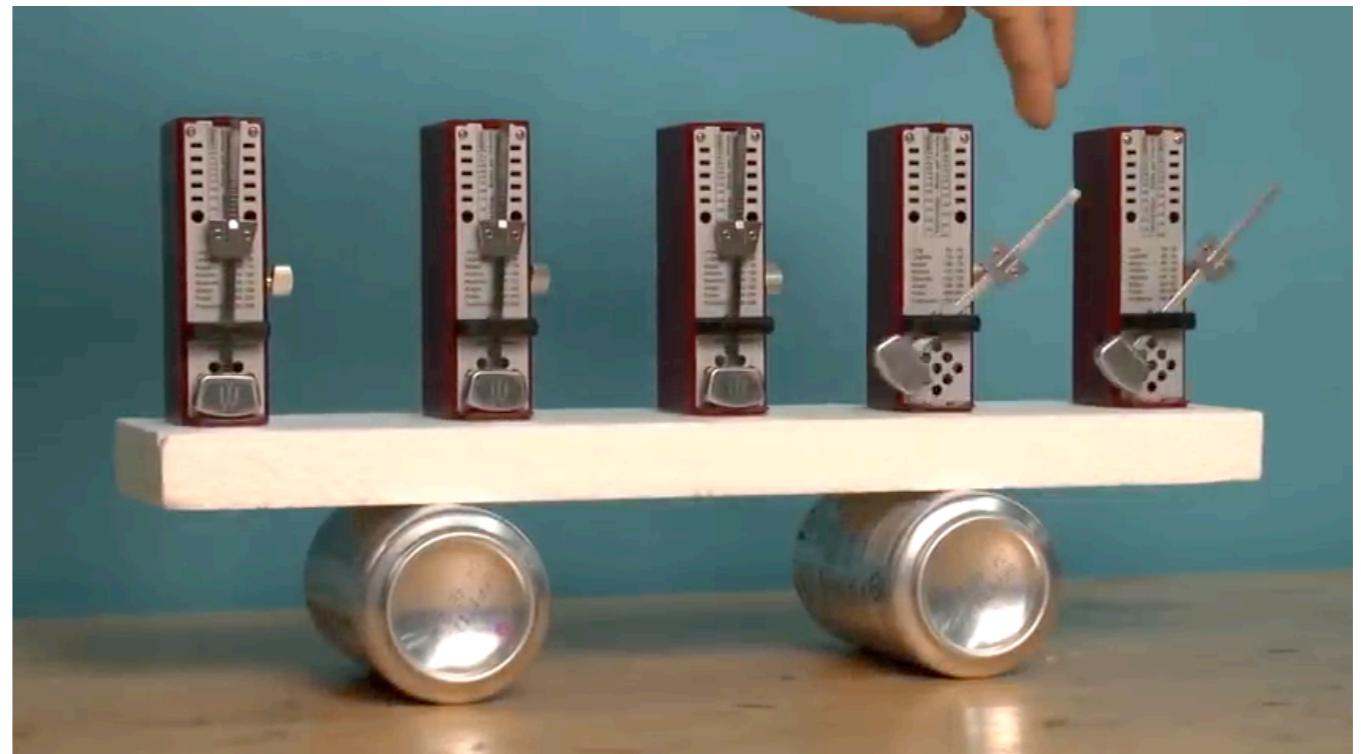
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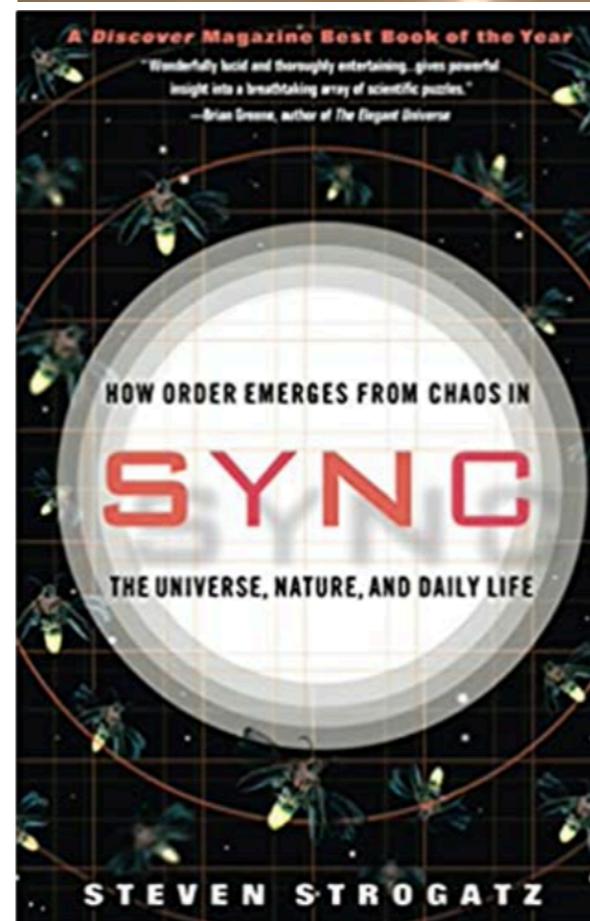
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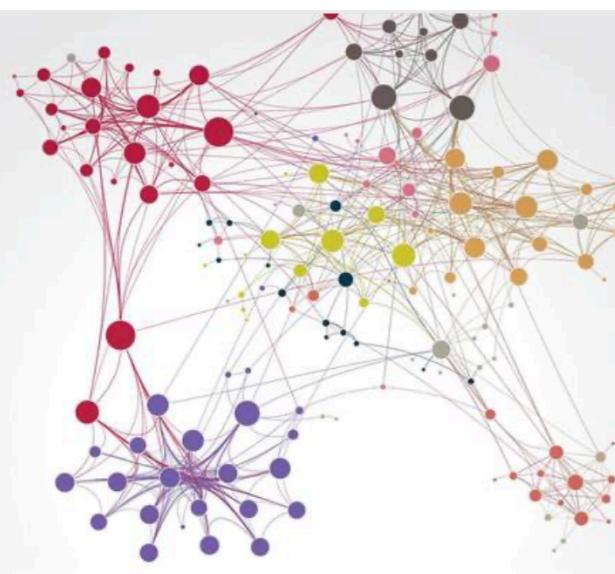
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# We live in an interconnected world ...



Albert-László Barabási

## NETWORK SCIENCE

### Network Science A.-L. Barabási

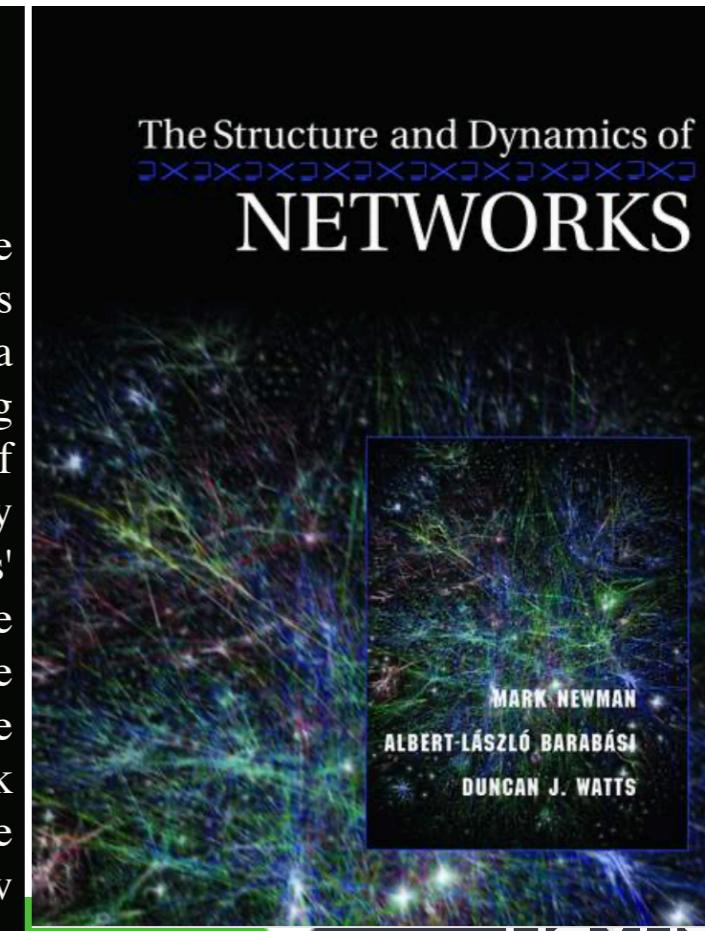
Networks are everywhere, from the Internet, to social networks, and the genetic networks that determine our biological existence. Illustrated throughout in full colour, this pioneering textbook, spanning a wide range of topics from physics to computer science, engineering, economics and the social sciences, introduces network science to an interdisciplinary audience. From the origins of the six degrees of separation to explaining why networks are robust to random failures, the author explores how viruses like Ebola and H1N1 spread, and why it is that our friends have more friends than we do. Using numerous real-world examples, this innovatively designed text includes clear delineation between undergraduate and graduate level material. The mathematical formulas and derivations are included within Advanced Topics sections, enabling use at a range of levels. Extensive online resources, including films and software for network analysis, make this a multifaceted companion for anyone with an interest in network science.

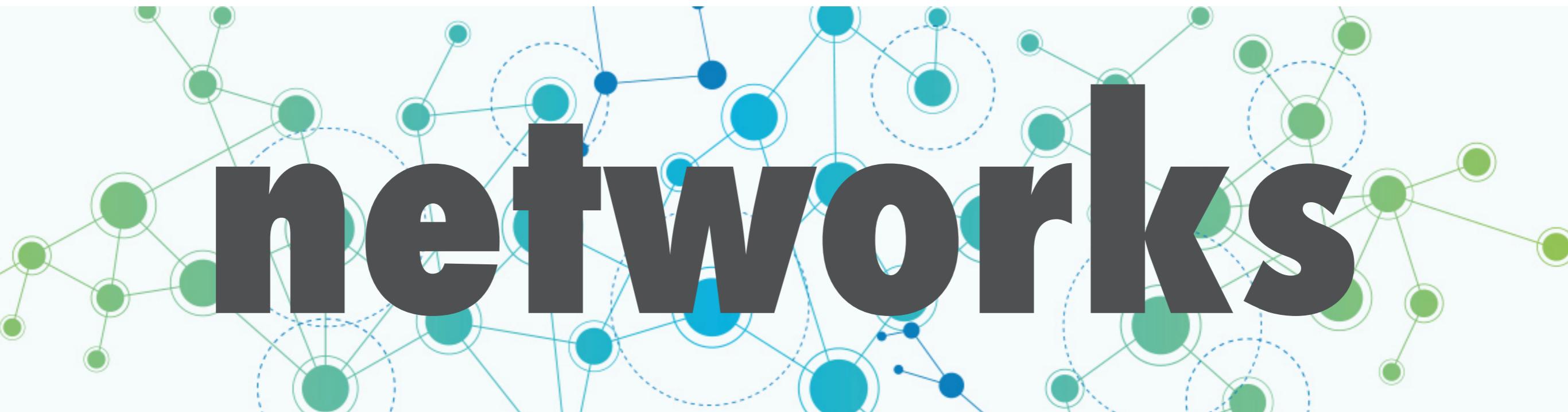
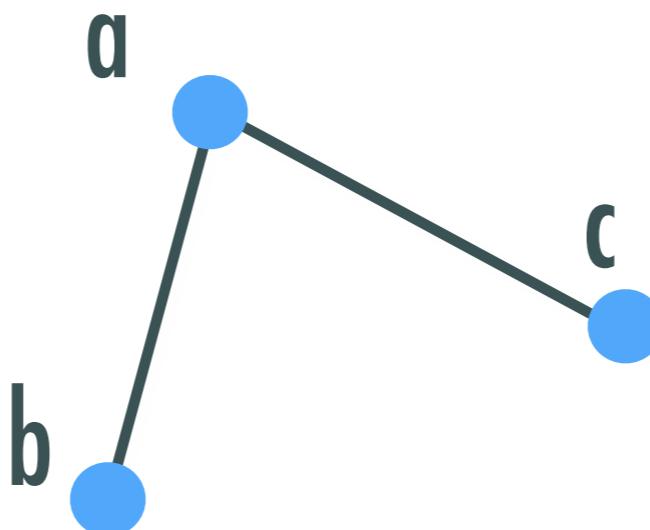
## The Structure and Dynamics of Networks

### A.-L. Barabási, M. Newman, D.J.Watts

From the Internet to networks of friendship, disease transmission, and even terrorism, the concept-and the reality-of networks has come to pervade modern society. But what exactly is a network? What different types of networks are there? Why are they interesting, and what can they tell us? In recent years, scientists from a range of fields-including mathematics, physics, computer science, sociology, and biology-have been pursuing these questions and building a new "science of networks." This book brings together for the first time a set of seminal articles representing research from across these disciplines. It is an ideal sourcebook for the key research in this fast-growing field. The book is organized into four sections, each preceded by an editors' introduction summarizing its contents and general theme. The first section sets the stage by discussing some of the historical antecedents of contemporary research in the area. From there the book moves to the empirical side of the science of networks before turning to the foundational modeling ideas that have been the focus of much subsequent activity. The book closes by taking the reader to the cutting edge of network science--the relationship between network structure and system dynamics. From network robustness to the spread of disease, this section offers a potpourri of topics on this rapidly expanding frontier of the new science.

The Structure and Dynamics of  
NETWORKS





**Network = finite set of nodes pairwise connected, i.e., there is a link  
(edge) among the two nodes if there is some interaction among them**

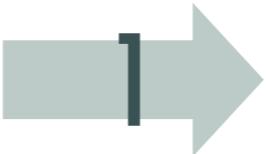
# Dynamics



# Structure

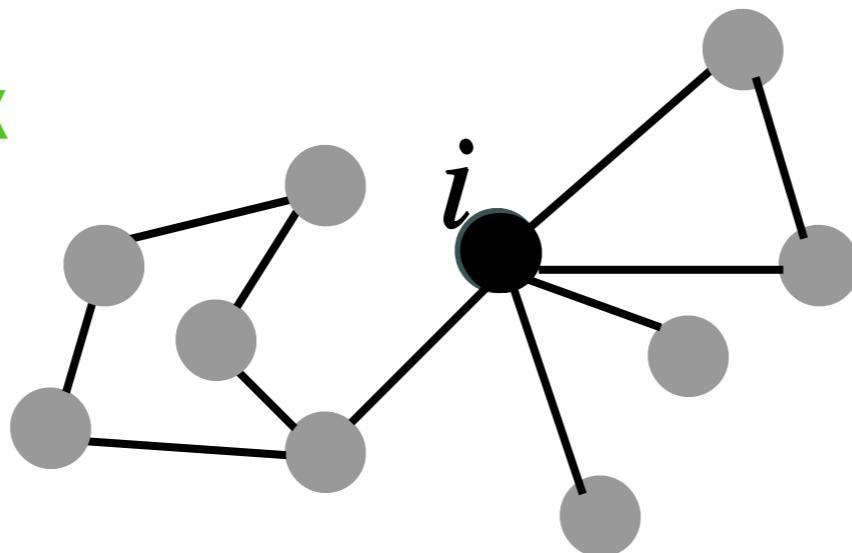
# Global Synchronisation on networks

$$\frac{d\mathbf{x}}{dt} = \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}) \quad \mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^d$$



$$\frac{d\mathbf{x}^{(i)}}{dt} = \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}^{(i)}) \quad \mathbf{x}^{(i)} \in \mathbb{R}^d$$
$$i = 1, \dots, n$$

$A_{ij}$  **Adjacency matrix**



$$\frac{d\mathbf{x}^{(i)}}{dt} = \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}^{(i)}) + \sigma \sum_{j=1}^n A_{ij} \mathbf{g}(\mathbf{x}^{(i)}, \mathbf{x}^{(j)})$$

$$\mathbf{g}(\mathbf{x}^{(i)}, \mathbf{x}^{(j)}) = \mathbf{h}(\mathbf{x}^{(j)}) - \mathbf{h}(\mathbf{x}^{(i)})$$

**Diffusive-like coupling**

$$= \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}^{(i)}) + \sigma \sum_{j=1}^n L_{ij} \mathbf{h}(\mathbf{x}^{(j)})$$

$L_{ij}$  **Laplace matrix**

# Global Synchronisation on networks

Reference orbit  $\mathbf{s}(t)$  solution of  $\frac{d\mathbf{s}}{dt} = \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{s})$

Global synchronisation :  $\mathbf{x}^{(i)}(t) = \mathbf{s}(t) \quad \forall i = 1, \dots, n$

- ❖ Does the whole system admit such (spatially) homogeneous solution?
- ❖ Is it stable?

# Global Synchronisation: Pecora et al.

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## Generic behavior of master-stability functions in coupled nonlinear dynamical systems

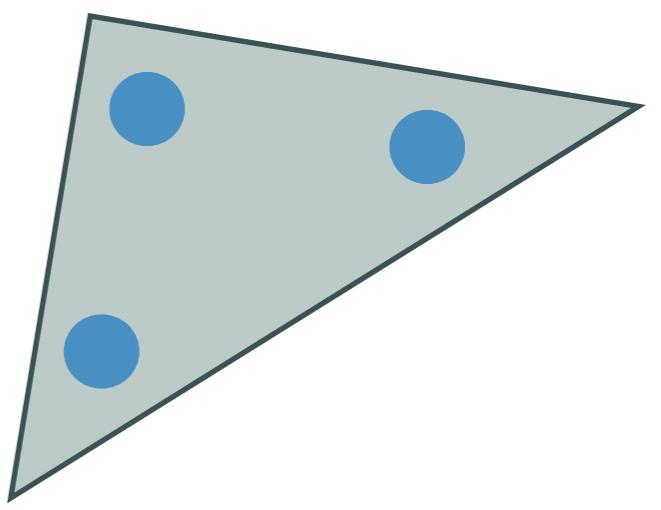
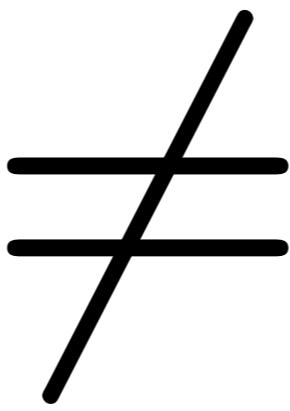
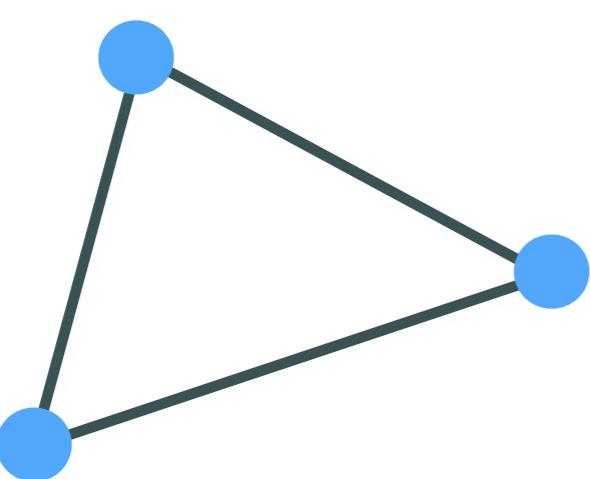
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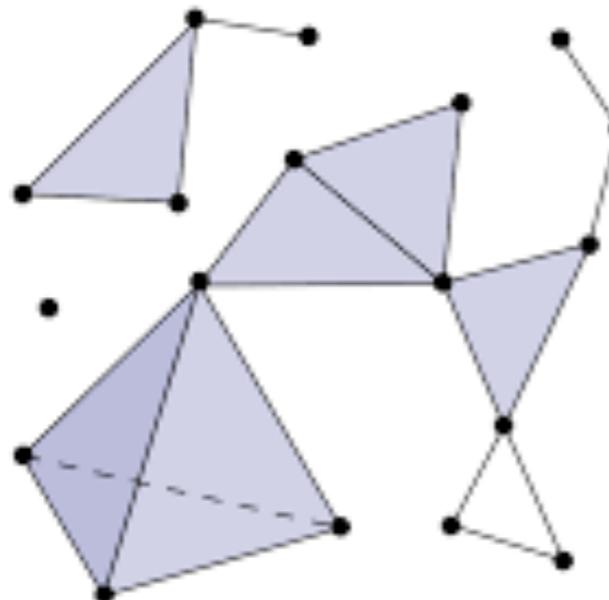
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# Simplicial complexes and Hypergraphs

## Simplicial complexes



d-simplex =  $d+1$  nodes

(all linked together)

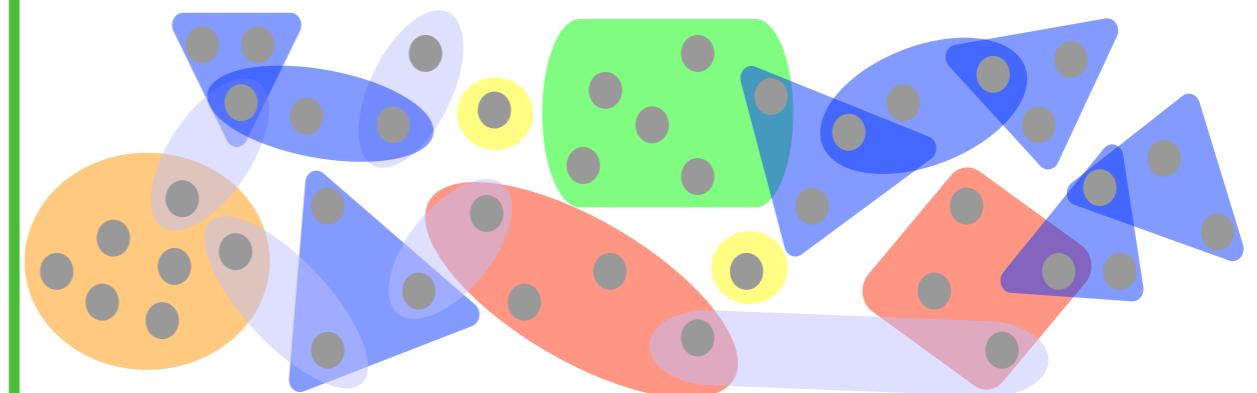
0-simplex = node

1-simplex = link

2-simplex = triangle

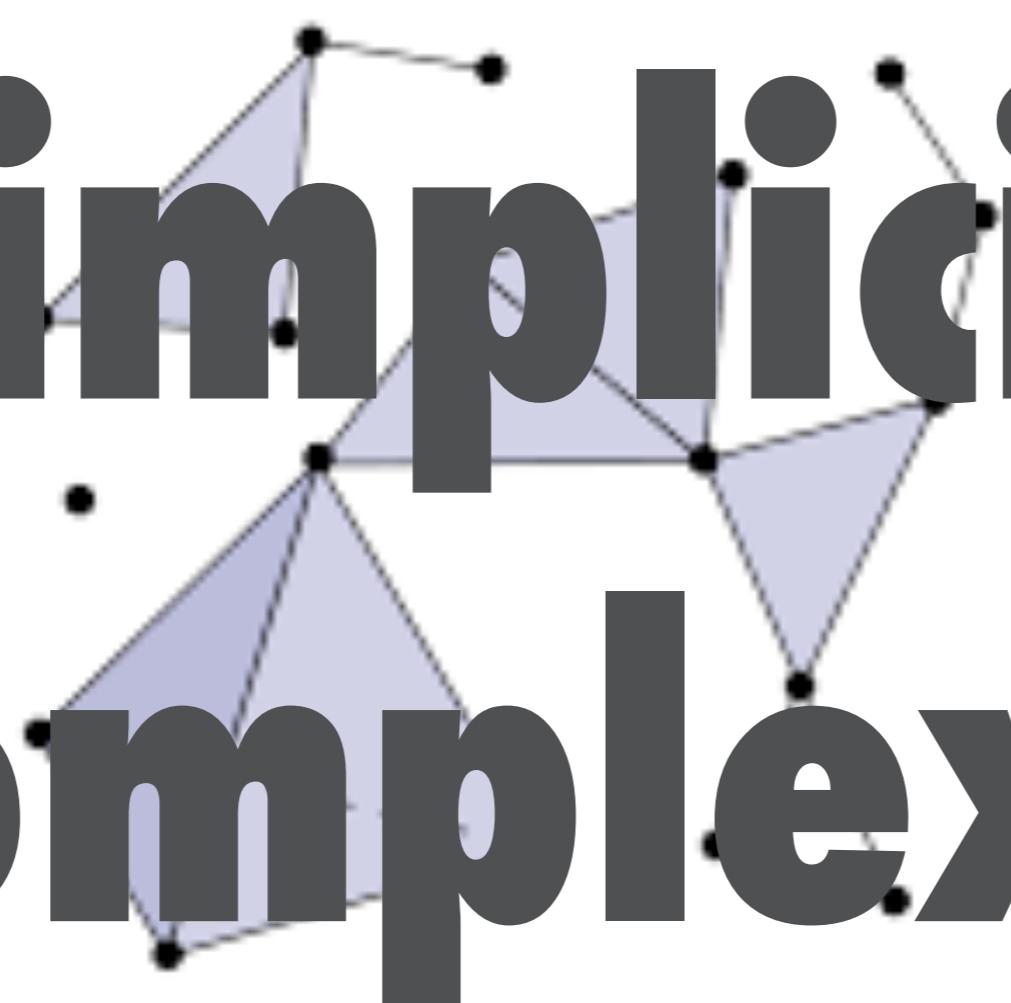
3-simplex = tetrahedron

## Hypergraphs



hyperedge = set of nodes

# Simplicial complexes



# Global Synchronisation : simplicial complexes



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$$\dot{\mathbf{x}}_i = \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}_i) + \sigma_1 \sum_{j_1=1}^N a_{ij_1}^{(1)} \mathbf{g}^{(1)}(\mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{x}_{j_1}) + \sigma_2 \sum_{j_1=1}^N \sum_{j_2=1}^N a_{ij_1 j_2}^{(2)} \mathbf{g}^{(2)}(\mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{x}_{j_1}, \mathbf{x}_{j_2}) + \dots + \sigma_D \sum_{j_1=1}^N \dots \sum_{j_D=1}^N a_{ij_1 \dots j_D}^{(D)} \mathbf{g}^{(D)}(\mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{x}_{j_1}, \dots, \mathbf{x}_{j_D}),$$

↑  
Single node  
interaction

↓  
Pairwise  
interaction

↑  
3-body  
interaction

↓  
(D+1)-body  
interaction

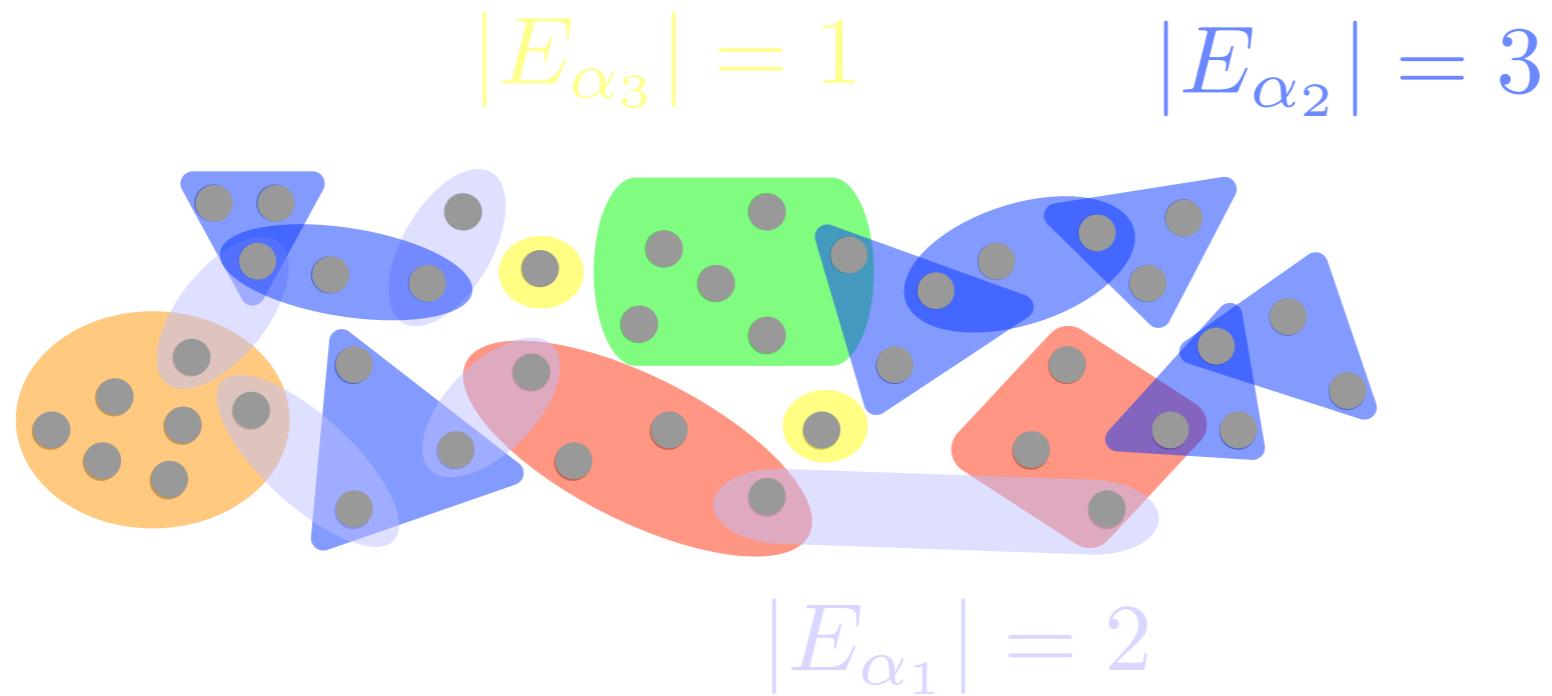
# Hypergraphs

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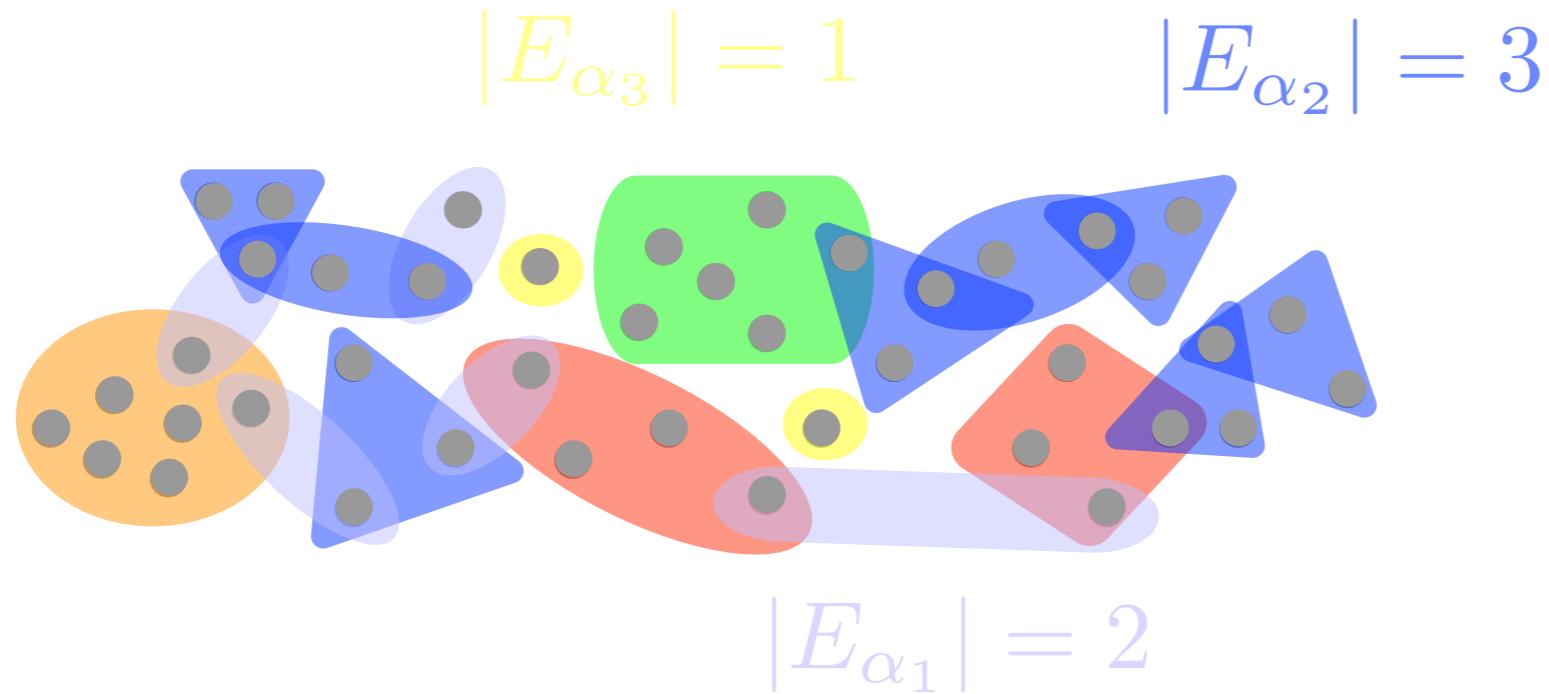
ensemble of nodes

# Hypergraphs. Some definitions.



ensemble of nodes  
=  
hyperedges

# Hypergraphs. Some definitions.



ensemble of nodes  
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Incidence matrix

$$e_{i\alpha} = 1 \quad \text{iff } i \in E_\alpha$$

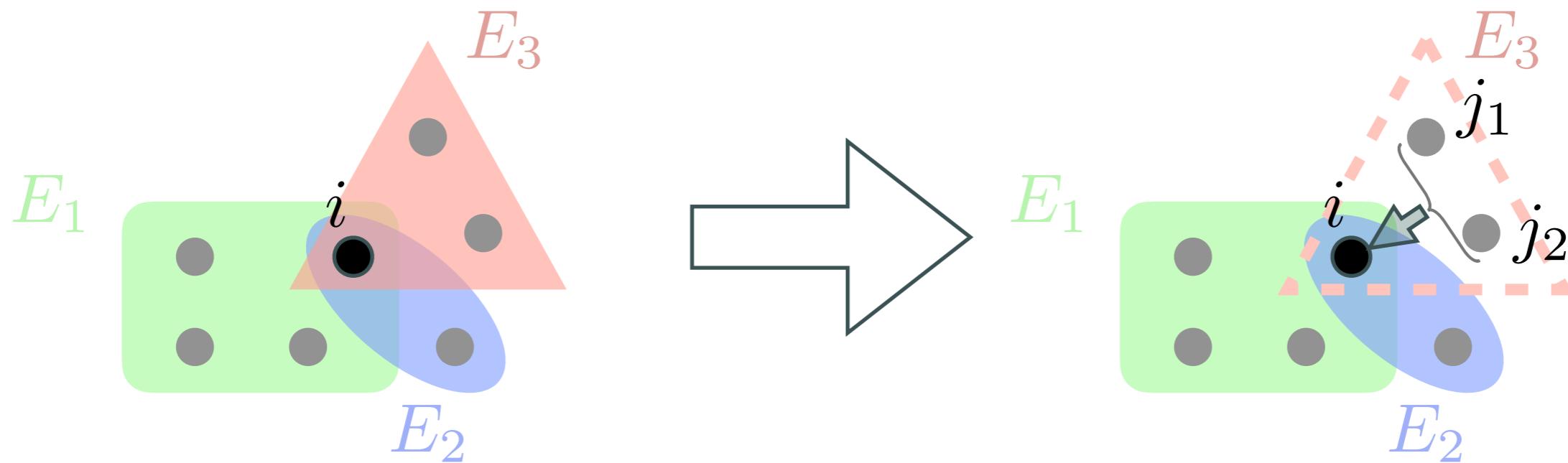
Hyperadjacency matrix

$$A = ee^T$$

Hyperedge matrix

$$C = e^T e$$

# Hyperedge Mean Field



non-linearity

$$k_{ij}^H = \sum_{\alpha} (C_{\alpha\alpha} - 1)^{\tau} e_{i\alpha} e_{j\alpha}$$

hyperedge size      incidence matrices

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$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d\mathbf{x}_i}{dt} &= \mathbf{F}(\mathbf{x}_i) - \varepsilon \sum_{\alpha,j} e_{i\alpha} e_{j\alpha} (C_{\alpha\alpha} - 1) (\mathbf{G}(\mathbf{x}_i) - \mathbf{G}(\mathbf{x}_j)) & \tau = 1 \\ &= \mathbf{F}(\mathbf{x}_i) - \varepsilon \sum_j k_{ij}^H (\mathbf{G}(\mathbf{x}_i) - \mathbf{G}(\mathbf{x}_j)) = \mathbf{F}(\mathbf{x}_i) - \varepsilon \sum_j (\delta_{ij} k_i^H - k_{ij}^H) \mathbf{G}(\mathbf{x}_j) \\ &= \mathbf{F}(\mathbf{x}_i) - \varepsilon \sum_j L_{ij}^H \mathbf{G}(\mathbf{x}_j), \end{aligned}$$

$L_{ij}^H$  Higher-order Laplace matrix

# Global Synchronisation : hypergraphs

$$\frac{d\mathbf{x}_i}{dt} = \mathbf{F}(\mathbf{x}_i) - \varepsilon \sum_j L_{ij}^H \mathbf{G}(\mathbf{x}_j)$$

Reference orbit  $\mathbf{s}(t)$  solution of  $\frac{d\mathbf{s}}{dt} = \mathbf{F}(\mathbf{s})$

❖  $\sum_j L_{ij}^H = 0 \quad \rightarrow \quad \mathbf{x}^{(i)}(t) = \mathbf{s}(t) \quad \forall i = 1, \dots, n$   
is a solution of the coupled system

❖ Is it stable?  $\delta\mathbf{x}_i = \mathbf{x}_i - \mathbf{s}$

Linearize :  $\frac{d\delta\mathbf{x}_i}{dt} = D\mathbf{F}(\mathbf{s}(t))\delta\mathbf{x}_i - \varepsilon \sum_j L_{ij}^H D\mathbf{G}(\mathbf{s}(t))\delta\mathbf{x}_j;$

# Global Synchronisation : hypergraphs

$$\frac{d\delta \mathbf{x}_i}{dt} = D\mathbf{F}(\mathbf{s}(t))\delta \mathbf{x}_i - \varepsilon \sum_j L_{ij}^H D\mathbf{G}(\mathbf{s}(t))\delta \mathbf{x}_j;$$

- ❖  $\mathbf{L}^H \phi^{(\alpha)} = \Lambda^{(\alpha)} \phi^{(\alpha)}$        $\Lambda^{(1)} = 0$        $\vec{\phi}^{(1)} = (1, \dots, 1)^\top / \sqrt{n}$
- ❖  $\phi^{(\alpha)} \cdot \phi^{(\beta)} = \delta_{\alpha\beta}$        $\Lambda^{(\alpha)} > 0$      $\alpha \geq 2$
- ❖  $\delta \mathbf{x}^{(i)} = \sum_\alpha \delta \mathbf{x}_\alpha \phi_i^{(\alpha)}$
- ❖  $\frac{d\delta \mathbf{x}_\alpha}{dt} = D\mathbf{F}(\mathbf{s}(t))\delta \mathbf{x}_\alpha - \varepsilon \Lambda^{(\alpha)} D\mathbf{G}(\mathbf{s}(t))\delta \mathbf{x}_\alpha$

# Global Synchronisation : hypergraphs

$$\mathbf{J}_\alpha(t) = D\mathbf{F}(\mathbf{s}(t)) - \varepsilon \Lambda^{(\alpha)} D\mathbf{G}(\mathbf{s}(t))$$

- ❖  $\lambda_\alpha = \lambda(\Lambda^{(\alpha)})$  Lyapunov exponent /  
Floquet exponent /  
Real part of eigenvalues
- ❖ if  $\lambda_\alpha < 0 \quad \forall \alpha \geq 2$  then synchronisation
- ❖ if  $\exists \alpha \geq 2 \quad \lambda_\alpha > 0$  then desynchronisation

**Master  
Stability  
Function**

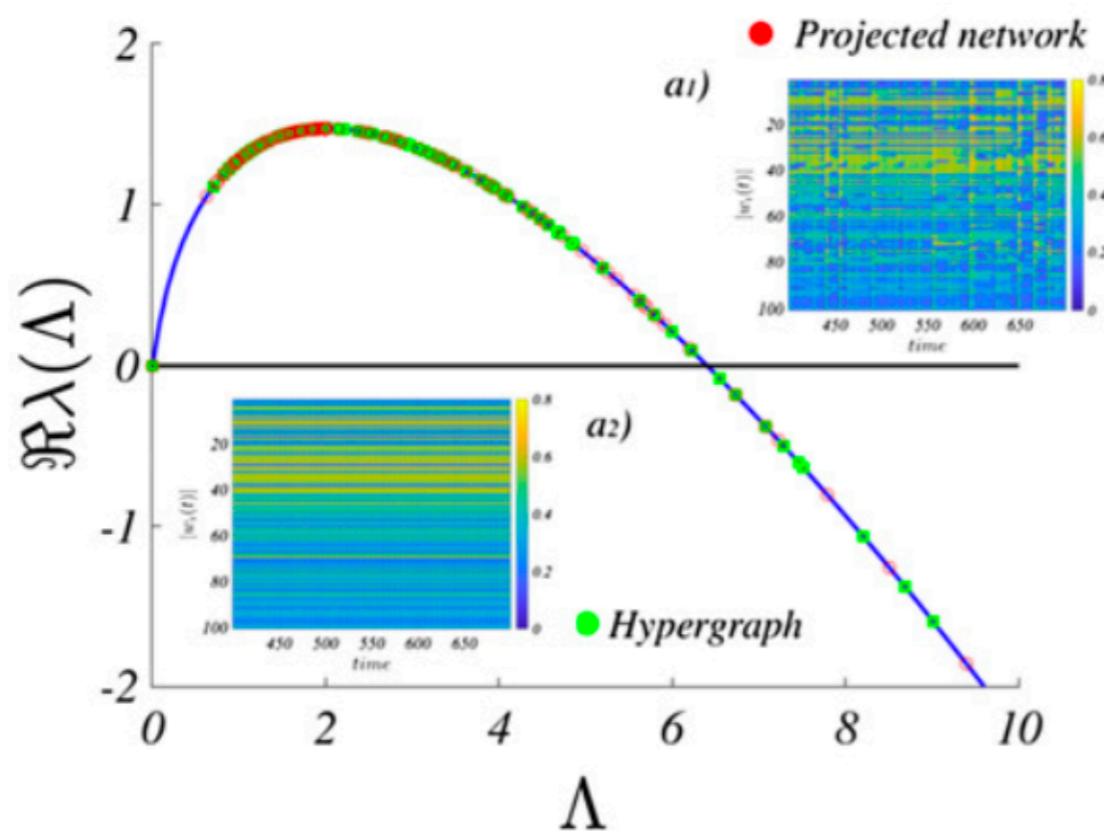
# Stuart - Landau oscillator

$$\frac{d}{dt}W_j = W_j - (1 + i c_2)|W_j|^2 W_j$$

$$\frac{d}{dt}W_j = W_j - (1 + i c_2)|W_j|^2 W_j - (1 + i c_1)K \sum_k L_{jk}^H W_k$$

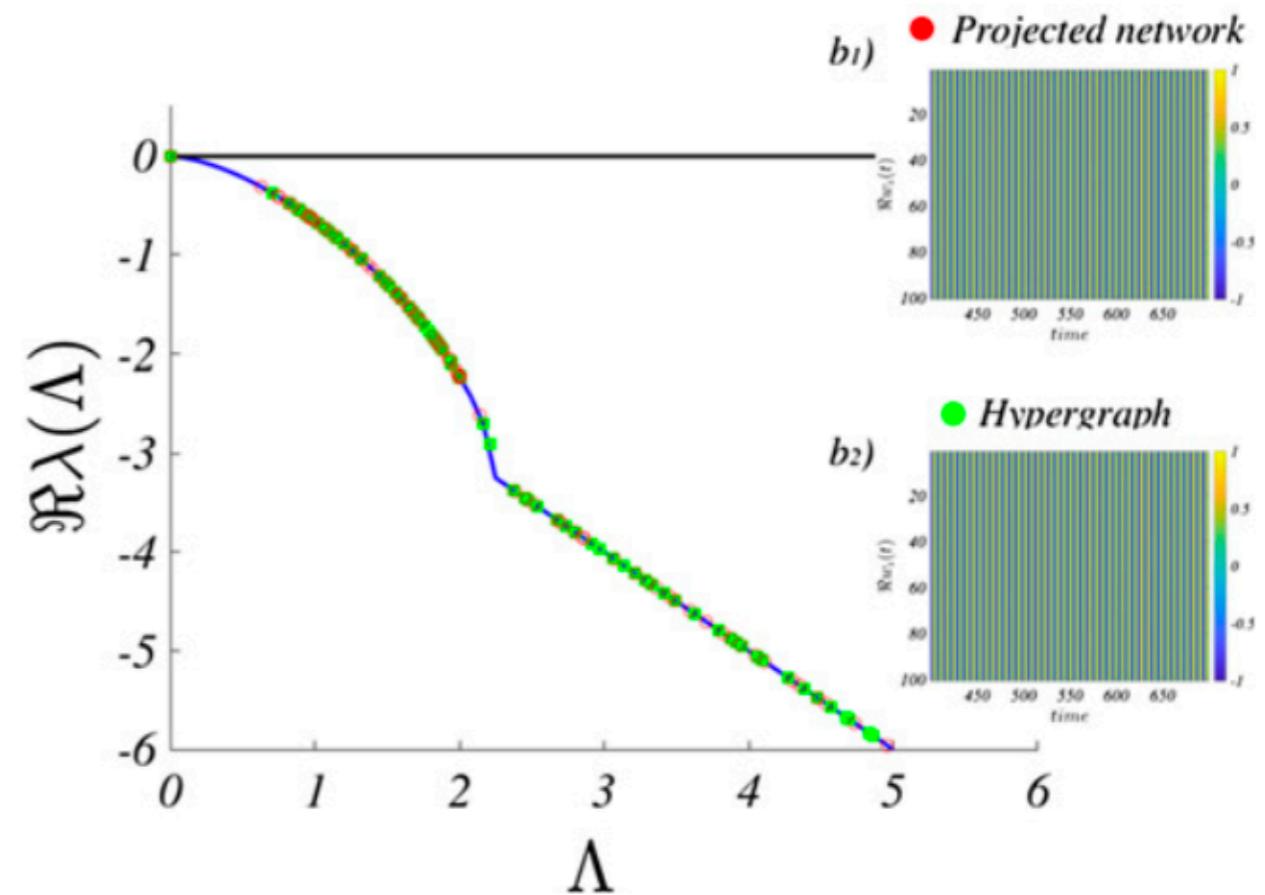
a)

$$K = 1, c_1 = 0.5, c_2 = -10$$



b)

$$K = 1, c_1 = 1, c_2 = -0.9$$



# Global Topological Synchronisation

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Editors' Suggestion

## Global Topological Synchronization on Simplicial and Cell Complexes

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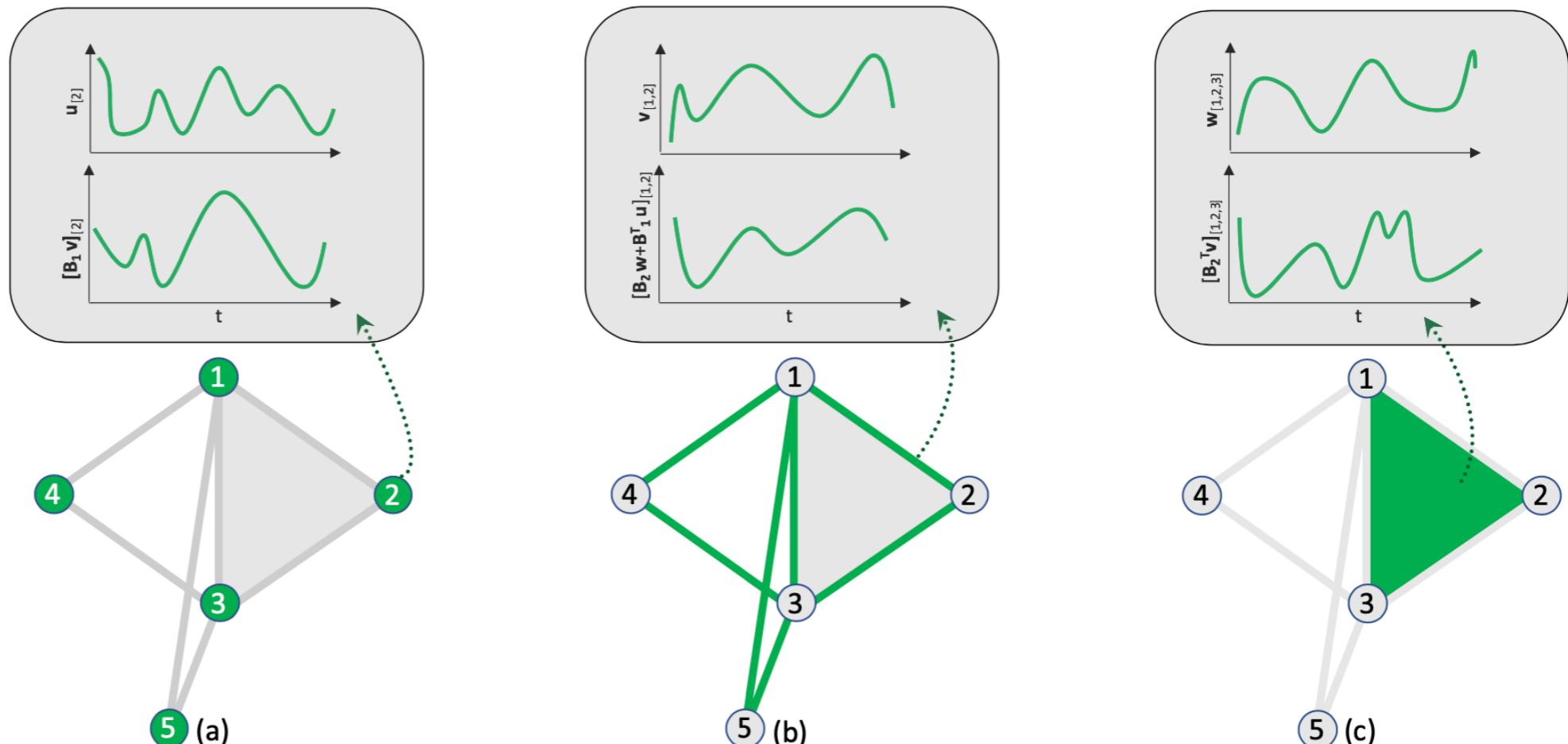
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# Simplicial complex

$$\sigma_i^{(k)} = [i_0, \dots, i_k]$$

$$B_k(\sigma_i^{(k-1)}, \sigma_j^{(k)}) = 1 \text{ if } \sigma_i^{(k-1)} \sim \sigma_j^{(k)}$$

$$\mathbf{B}_k \in M^{N_{k-1} \times N_k}$$

$$B_k(\sigma_i^{(k-1)}, \sigma_j^{(k)}) = -1 \text{ if } \sigma_i^{(k-1)} \not\sim \sigma_j^{(k)}$$

## Incidence matrix

$$B_k(\sigma_i^{(k-1)}, \sigma_j^{(k)}) = 0 \text{ otherwise}$$

$$\mathbf{L}_k = \mathbf{B}_k^\top \mathbf{B}_k + \mathbf{B}_{k+1} \mathbf{B}_{k+1}^\top$$

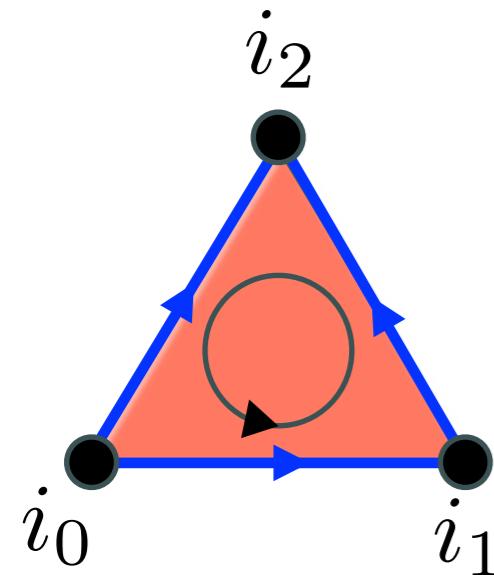
## Hodge Laplace matrix

# Simplicial complex: an example

$$k = 2$$

Three nodes, hence a triangle

$$\sigma^{(2)} = [i_0, i_1, i_2]$$



Incidence matrices

$$\mathbf{B}_1 \in M^{N_0 \times N_1}$$

$$\sigma_1^{(1)} = [i_0, i_1]$$

$$\sigma_2^{(1)} = [i_1, i_2]$$

$$\sigma_3^{(1)} = [i_0, i_2]$$

$$\mathbf{B}_1(\sigma_i^{(0)}, \sigma_j^{(1)}) = \begin{matrix} & [i_0, i_1] & [i_1, i_2] & [i_0, i_2] \\ i_0 & -1 & 0 & -1 \\ i_1 & 1 & -1 & 0 \\ i_2 & 0 & 1 & 1 \end{matrix}$$

$$\mathbf{B}_2 \in M^{N_1 \times N_2}$$

$$\mathbf{B}_2(\sigma_i^{(1)}, \sigma_j^{(2)}) = \begin{matrix} [i_0, i_1] \\ [i_1, i_2] \\ [i_0, i_2] \end{matrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

# Global Topological Synchronisation

$$\sigma_i^{(k)} = [i_0, \dots, i_k]$$

$$\mathbf{x} : C_k \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^d \quad \text{k-cochain}$$

$$\mathbf{x}_i = \mathbf{x}(\sigma_i^{(k)}) = (x_i^1, \dots, x_i^d)$$

$$\mathbf{x}(-\sigma_i^{(k)}) = -\mathbf{x}(\sigma_i^{(k)})$$

Dynamical system on a simplex

$$\frac{d\mathbf{x}_i}{dt} = \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}_i)$$

$$\mathbf{f}(-\mathbf{x}_i) = -\mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}_i)$$

# Global Topological Synchronisation

## Dynamical system on a simplicial complex

$$\frac{d\mathbf{x}_i}{dt} = \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}_i) - \sigma \sum_{j=1}^{N_k} L_k(i, j) \mathbf{h}(\mathbf{x}_j) \quad \mathbf{h}(-\mathbf{x}_i) = -\mathbf{h}(\mathbf{x}_i)$$

Reference orbit  $\mathbf{s}(t)$  solution of  $\frac{d\mathbf{s}}{dt} = \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{s})$

Synchronisation :  $\mathbf{x}_i(t) = \mathbf{s}(t) \quad \forall i = 1, \dots, N_k$

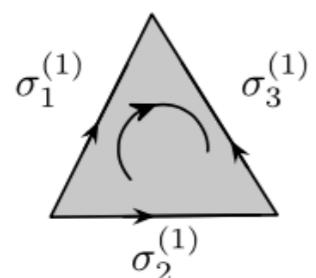
$$\left. \frac{d\mathbf{x}_i}{dt} \right|_{\mathbf{x}_i=\mathbf{s}} = \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}_i) + \sigma \sum_{j=1}^n L_{ij} \mathbf{h}(\mathbf{x}_j) \Big|_{\mathbf{x}_i=\mathbf{s}} \stackrel{\bullet}{\neq} 0$$

# Global Topological Synchronisation

Necessary condition  $\mathbf{L}_k u = 0 \iff \mathbf{B}_k u = 0$  and  $\mathbf{B}_{k+1}^\top u = 0$

odd dim = non global synch

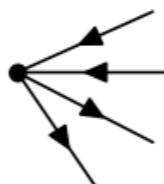
(a)



$$\mathbf{B}_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ -1 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$(1, 1, 1)\mathbf{B}_2 = -1 \neq 0$$

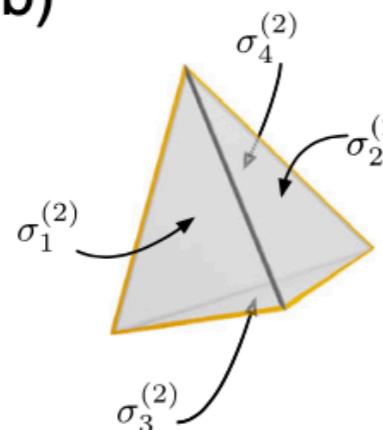
(c)



$$\mathbf{B}_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & -1 & -1 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ \times & \times & \times & \times & \times & \dots & \times \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \dots & \vdots \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{B}_1 \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ \vdots \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ \times \\ \vdots \end{pmatrix}$$

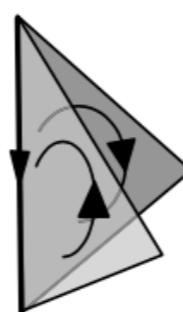
(b)



$$\mathbf{B}_3 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ -1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$(1, 1, 1, 1)\mathbf{B}_3 = 0$$

(d)



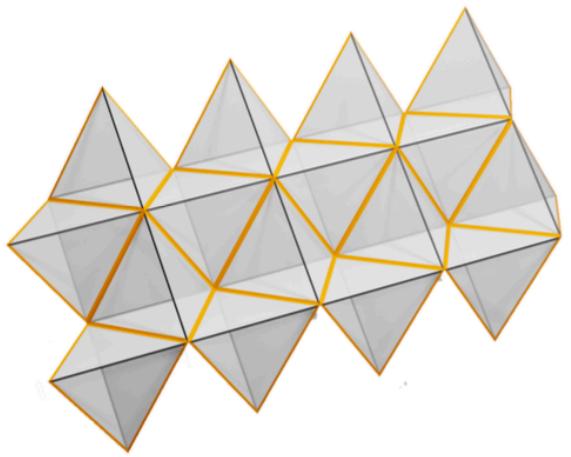
$$\mathbf{B}_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ \times & \times & \times & \dots & \times \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{B}_2 \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ \vdots \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ \times \\ \vdots \end{pmatrix}$$

even dim = global synch if balanced

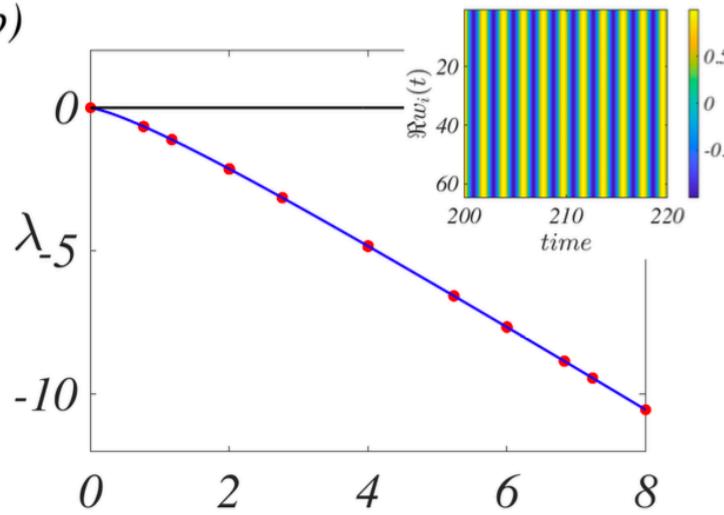
# Global Topological Synchronisation : Stuart-Landau

a)



global synch  
for faces ( $k=2$ )

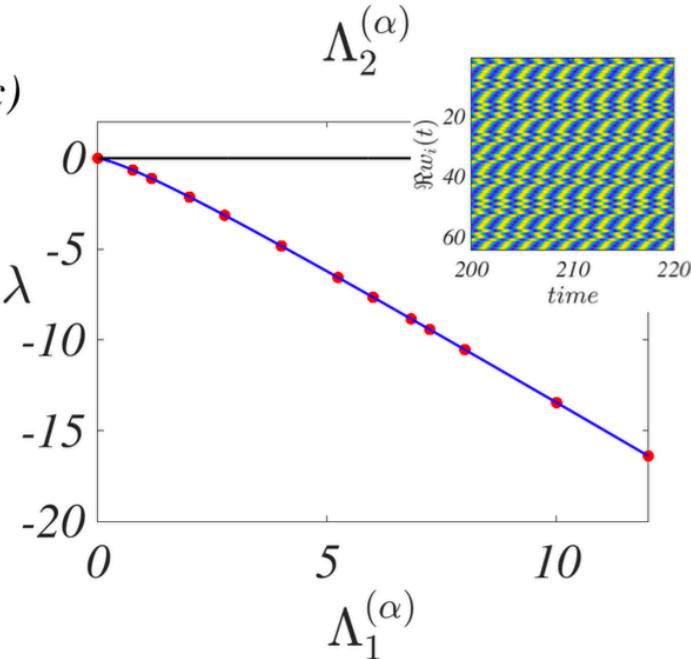
b)



$$\mathbf{B}_2(1, \dots, 1)^\top = 0$$

$$\mathbf{B}_3^\top(1, \dots, 1)^\top = 0$$

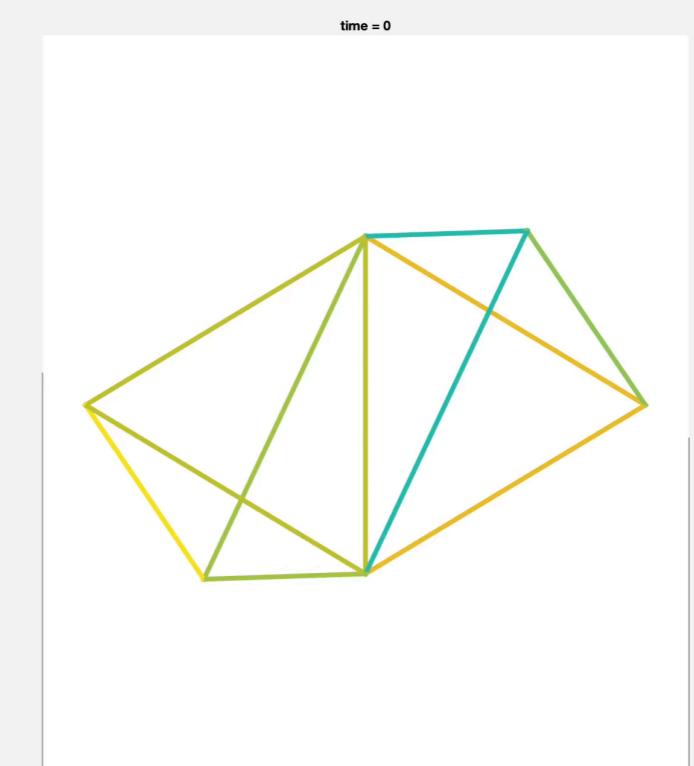
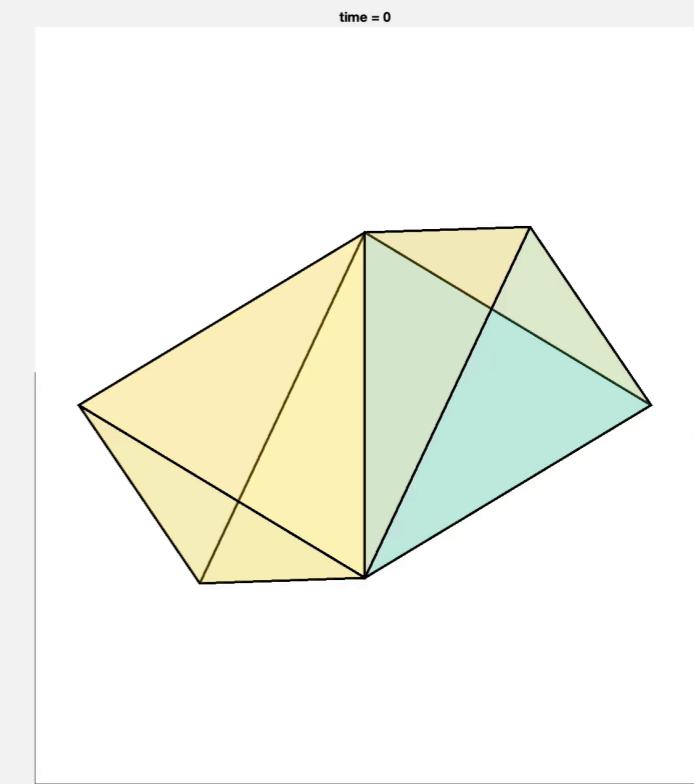
c)



no global synch  
for links ( $k=1$ )

$$\mathbf{B}_1(1, \dots, 1)^\top = 0$$

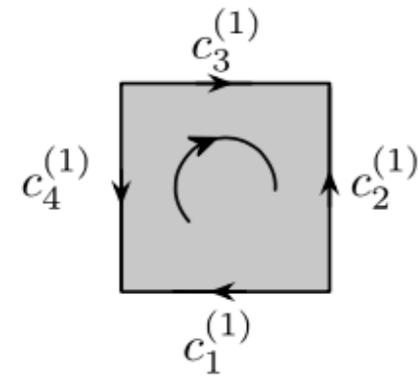
$$\mathbf{B}_2^\top(1, \dots, 1)^\top \neq 0$$



# Global Topological Synchronisation: cell complexes

The topological obstruction  
does not exist for cell complexes

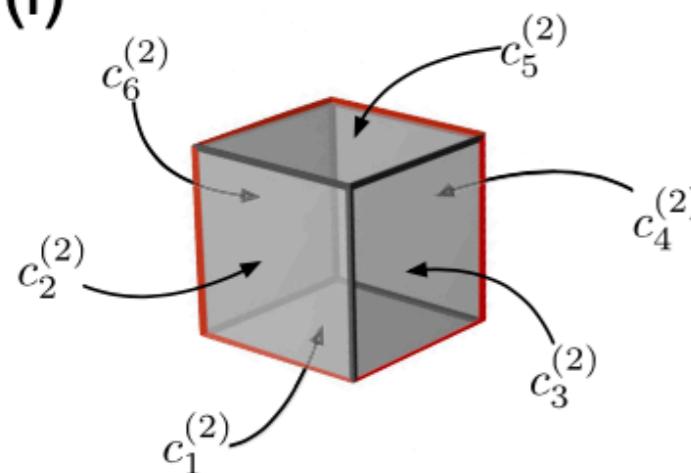
(e)



$$\mathbf{B}_2 = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & \\ -1 & \\ 1 & \\ 1 & \end{pmatrix}$$

$$(1, 1, 1, 1)\mathbf{B}_2 = 0$$

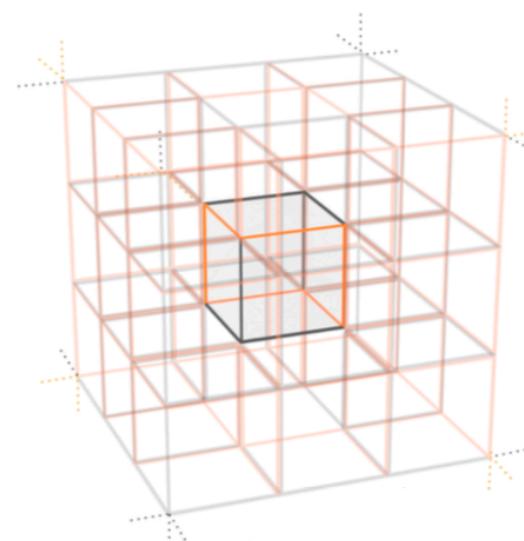
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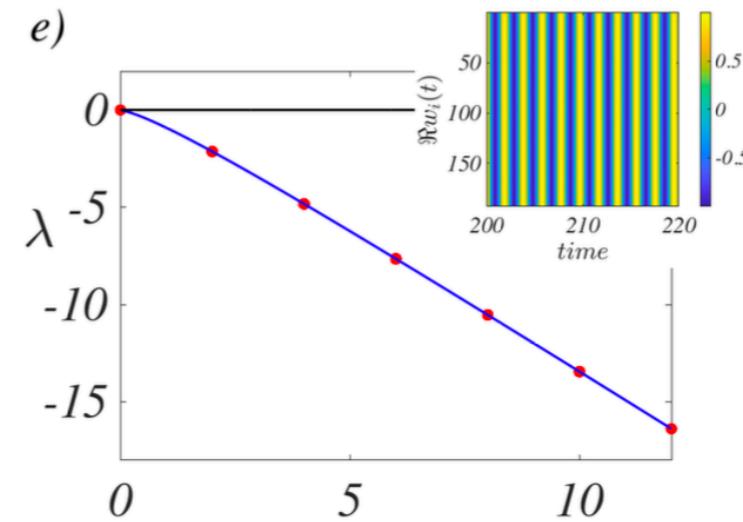
$$\mathbf{B}_3 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \\ -1 & \\ 1 & \\ -1 & \\ 1 & \\ -1 & \end{pmatrix}$$

$$(1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1)\mathbf{B}_3 = 0$$

d)

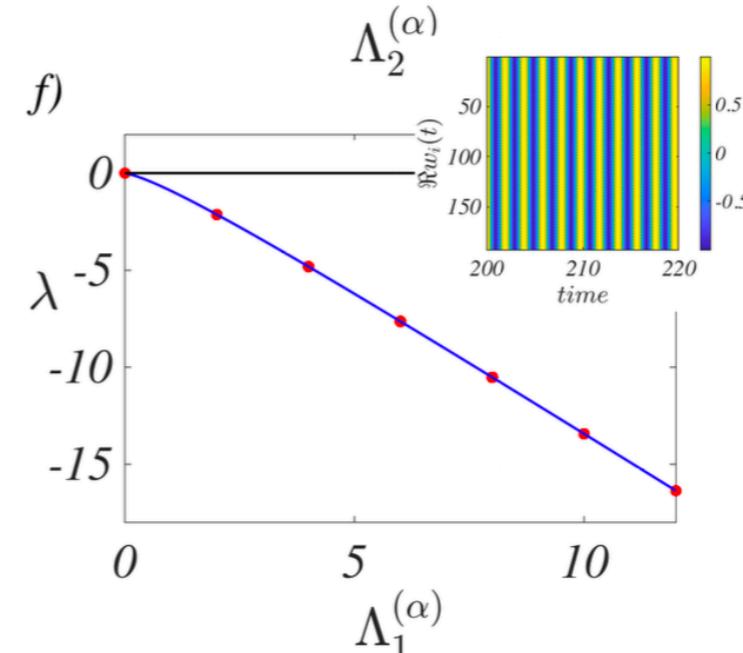


e)



global synch  
for faces

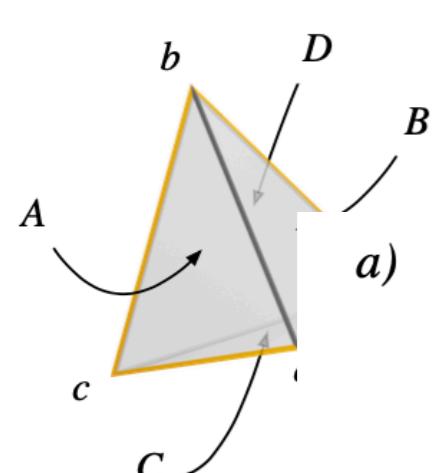
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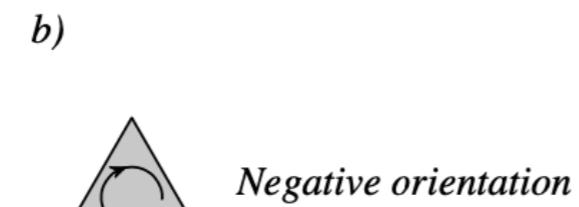
global synch  
for links

# The “waffle” 3-simplicial complex

a)

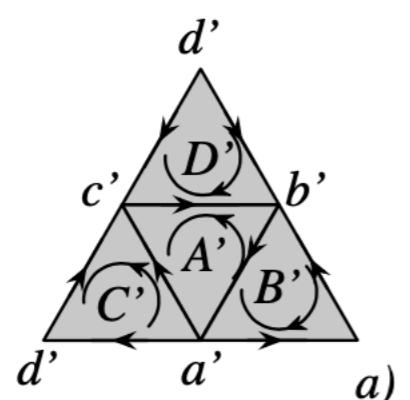


b)

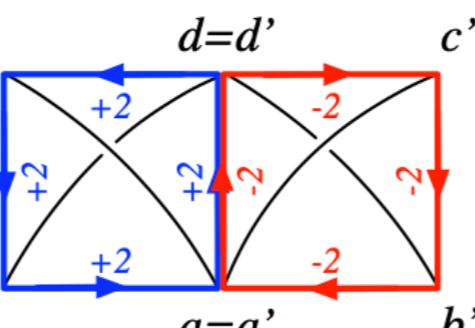


A

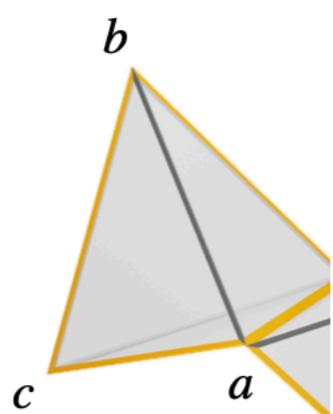
a)



$$\begin{aligned} A' &= [a'b'c'] \\ B' &= [a'b'd'] \\ C' &= [a'c'd'] \\ D' &= [b'c'd'] \end{aligned}$$



c)



c)

$$A = [acb] \quad B = [adb]$$

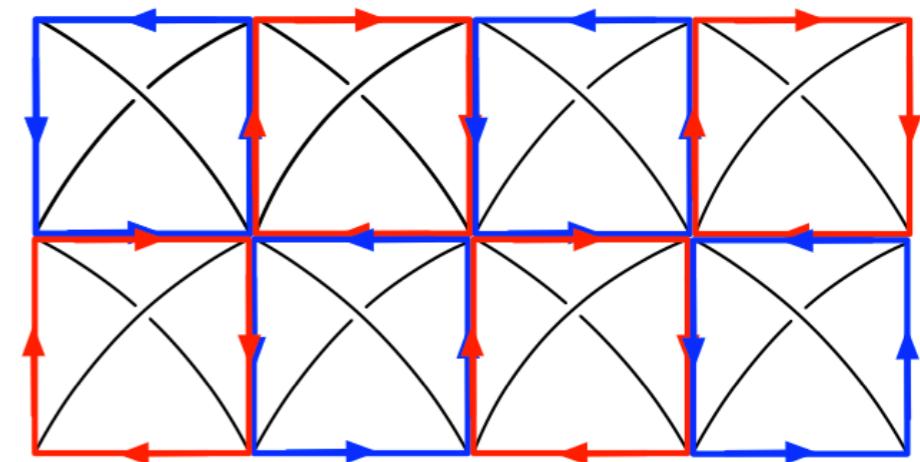
$$C = [adc] \quad D = [bdc]$$

A B C D

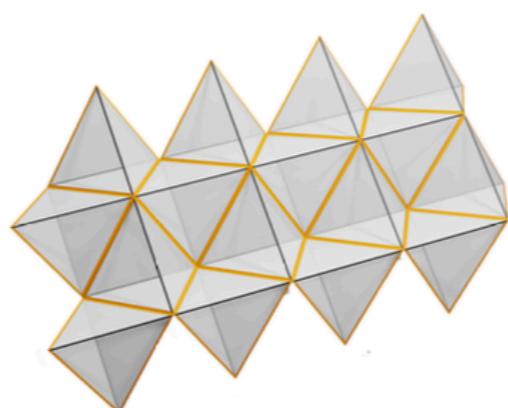
b)

$$B'_2 = \begin{array}{cccc|c} A' & B' & C' & D' \\ \hline a'd' & 0 & -1 & -1 & 0 \\ a'c' & -1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ b'a' & -1 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ c'b' & -1 & 0 & 0 & -1 \\ d'b' & 0 & -1 & 0 & 1 \\ d'c' & 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 \end{array}$$

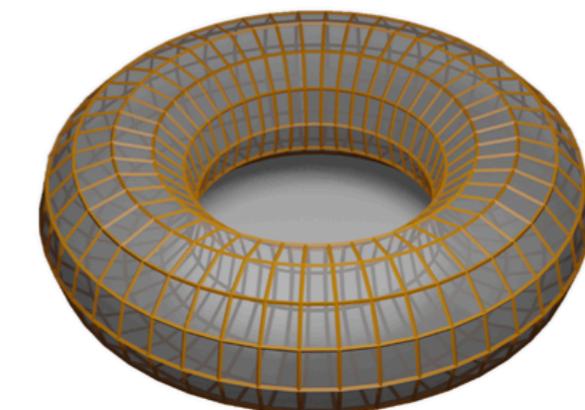
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c)



d)



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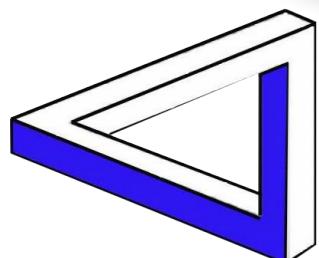
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