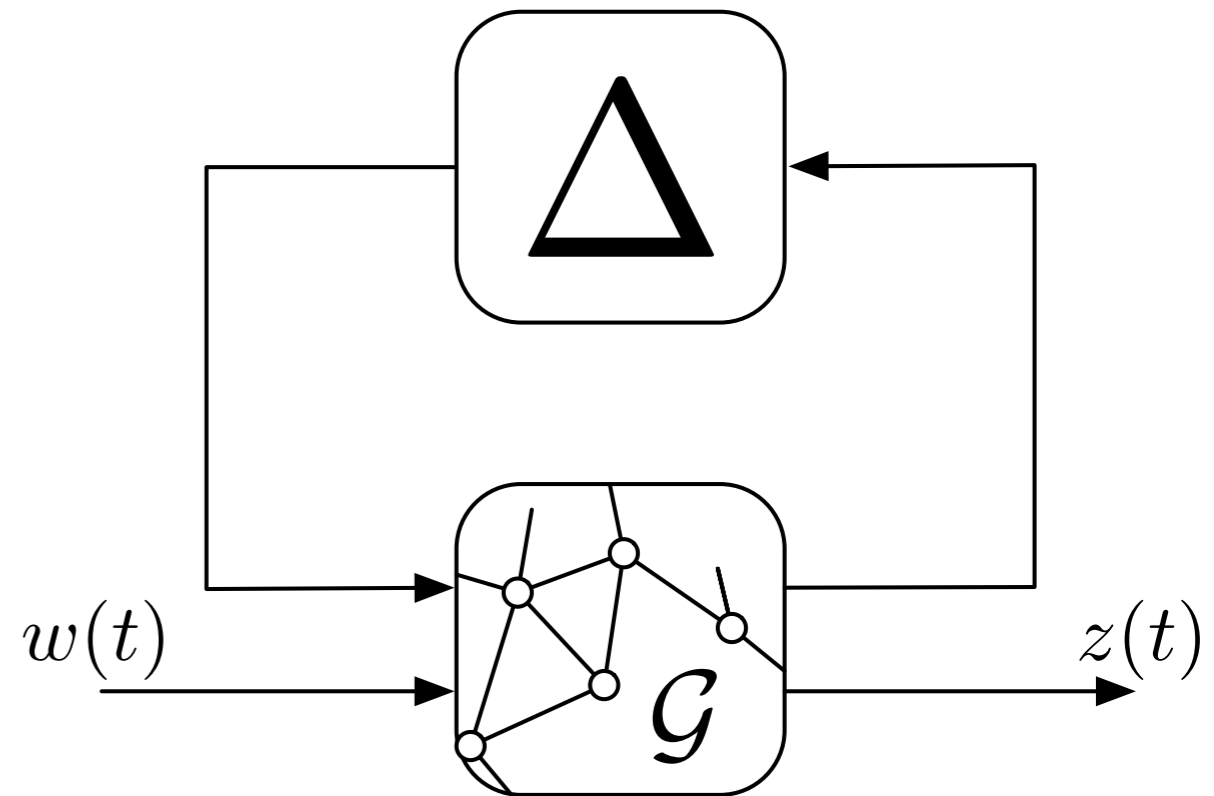


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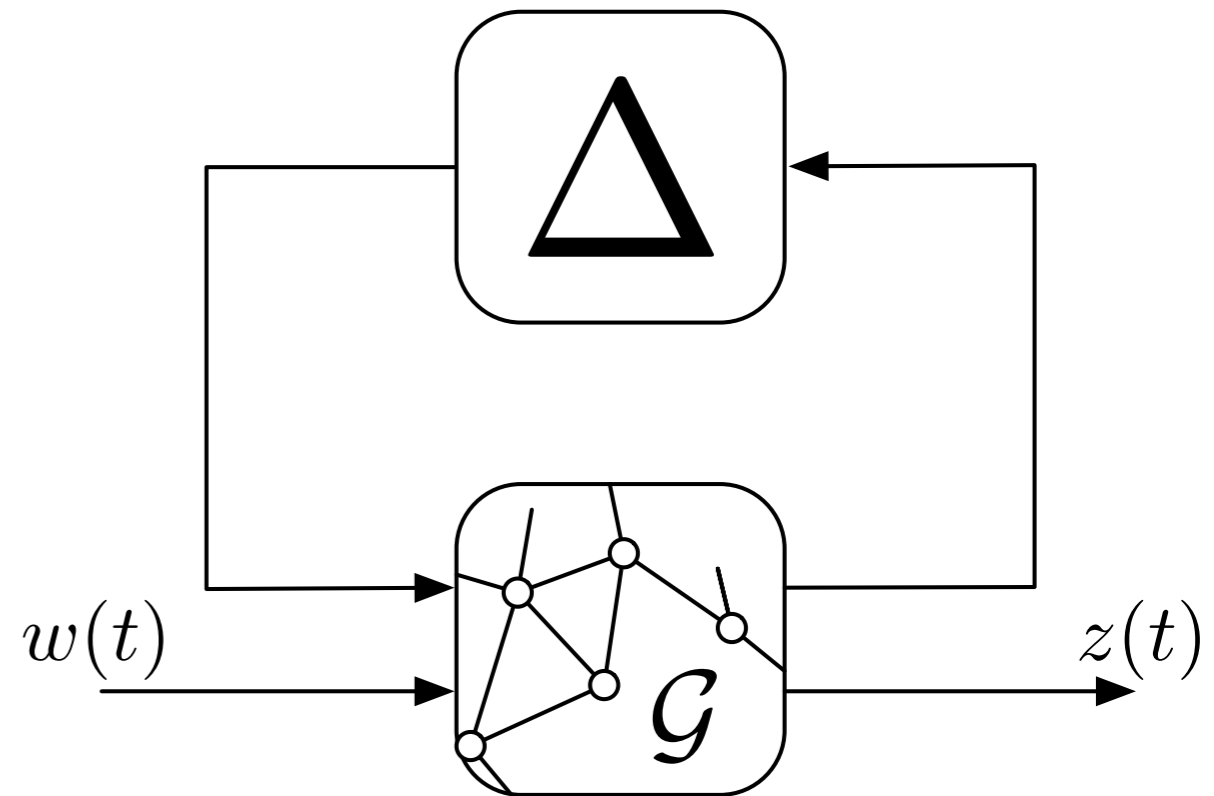


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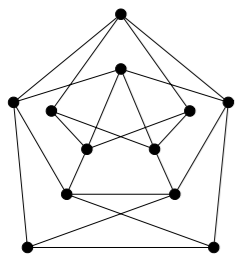
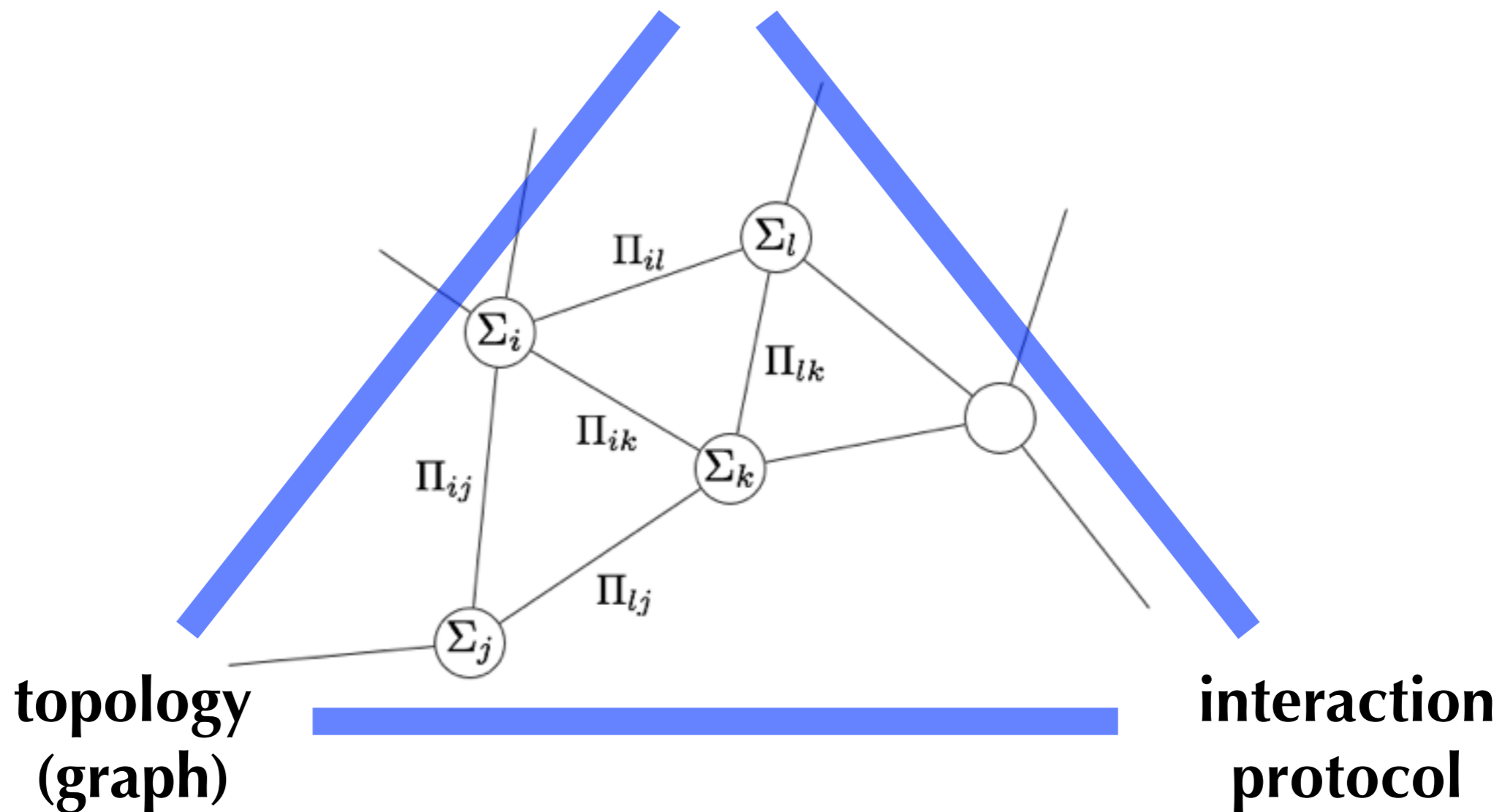
**networks of dynamical systems are one of
*the enabling technologies of the future***



Networked Dynamic Systems

$$\dot{x}_i(t) = f_i(x_i(t), u_i(t))$$

dynamics



$$u_i(t) = \Pi_i(x(t), \mathcal{G})$$



Diffusively Coupled Networks

Kumamoto Model

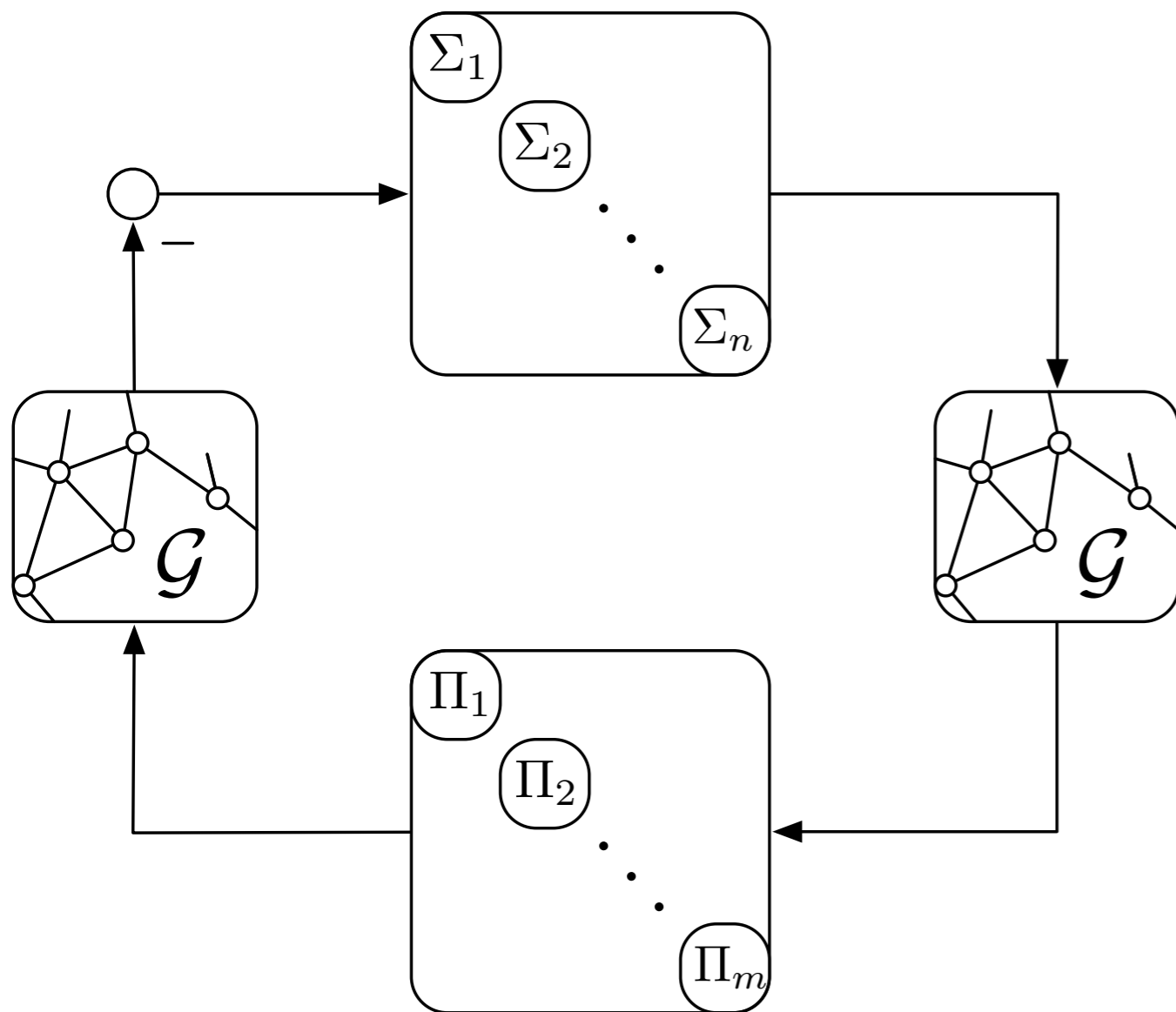
$$\dot{\theta}_i = -k \sum_{i \sim j} \sin(\theta_i - \theta_j)$$

Traffic Dynamics Model

$$\dot{v}_i = \kappa_i \left(V_i^0 - v_i + V_i^1 \sum_{i \sim j} \tanh(p_j - p_i) \right)$$

Neural Network

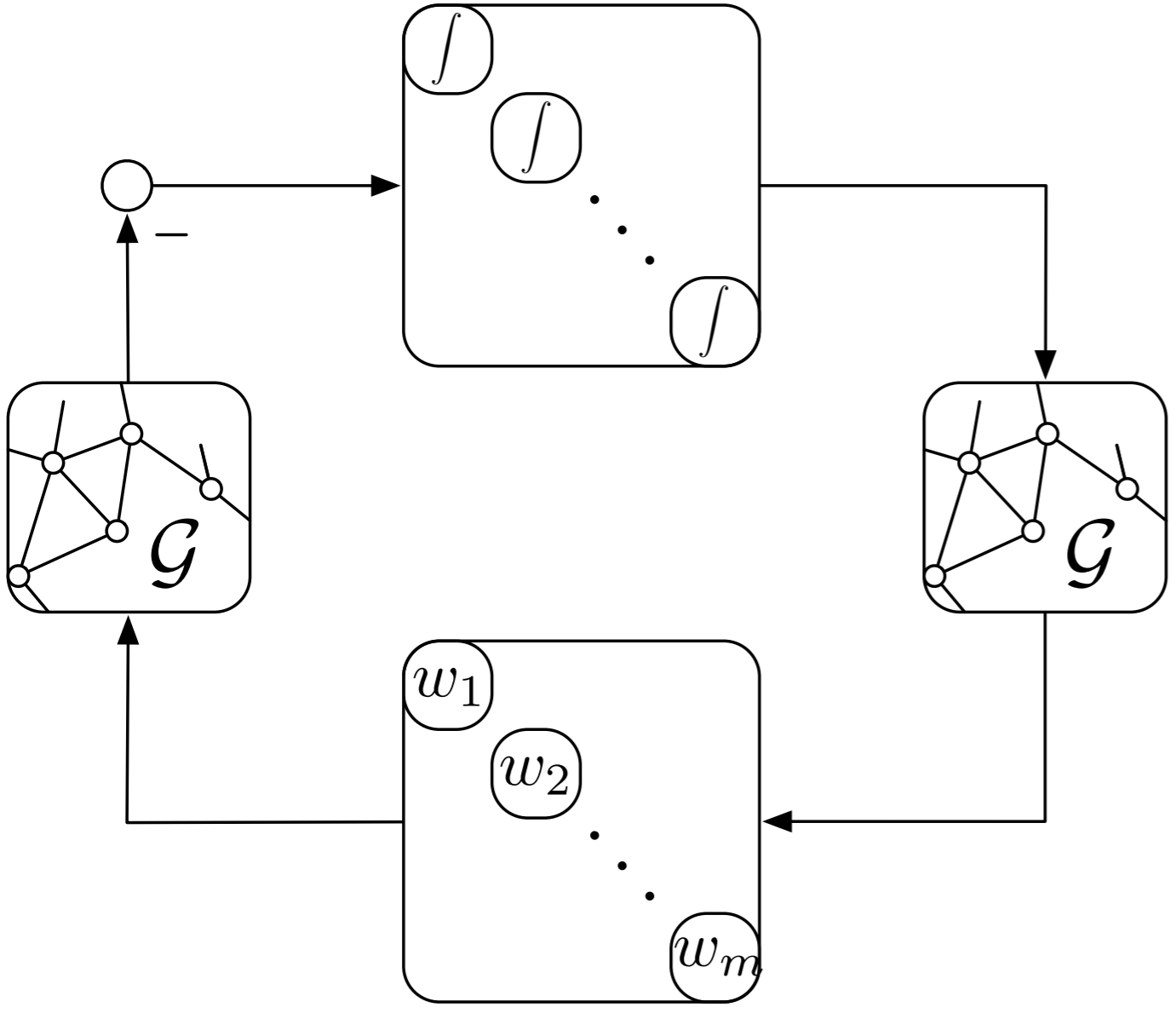
$$\begin{aligned} C\dot{V}_i &= f(V_i, h_i) + \sum_{i \sim j} g_{ij}(V_j - V_i) \\ \dot{h}_i &= g(V_i, h_i) \end{aligned}$$



Diffusively Coupled Networks

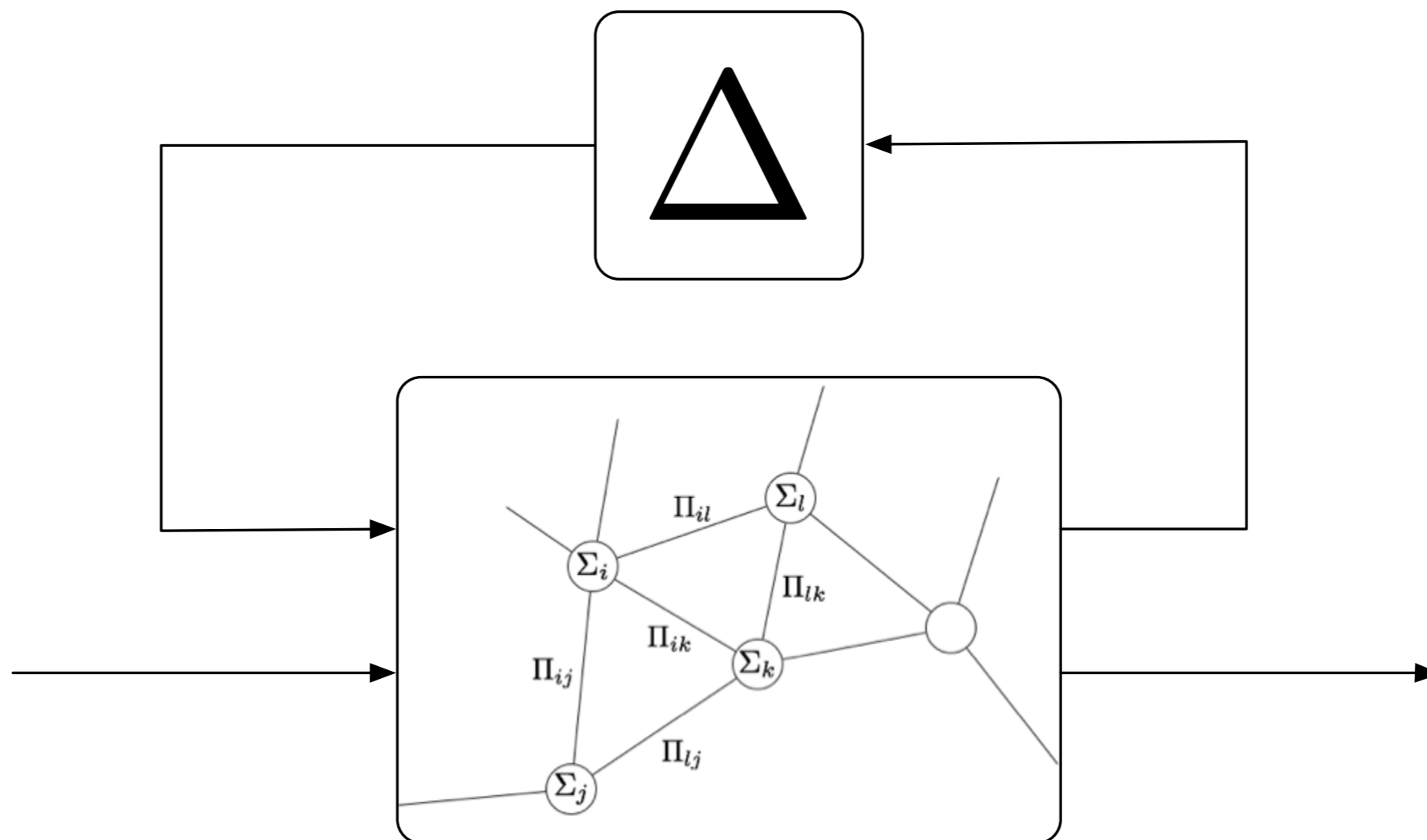
Consensus Protocol

$$\dot{x}_i = \sum_{j \sim i} w_{ij} (x_j - x_i)$$



Networked Dynamic Systems

What about robustness?



**what is the right way to approach
robustness of networked dynamic systems?**

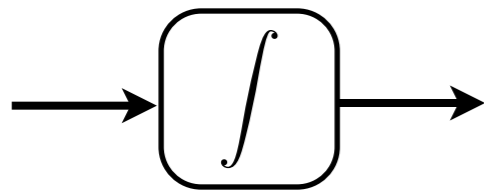


The Consensus Protocol

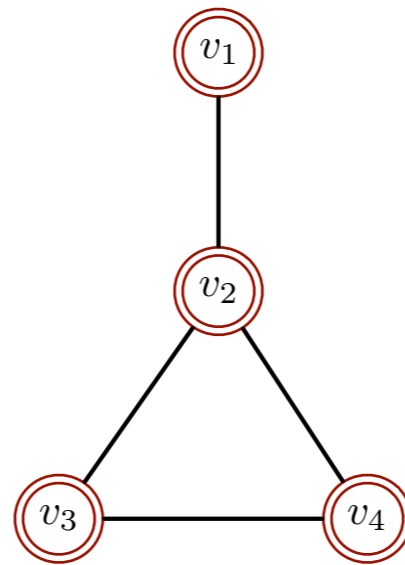
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Agent Dynamics

$$\dot{x}_i(t) = u_i(t)$$



Information Exchange Network



$$\mathcal{G} = (\mathcal{V}, \mathcal{E}, \mathcal{W})$$

$$\mathcal{W} : \mathcal{E} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

Incidence Matrix

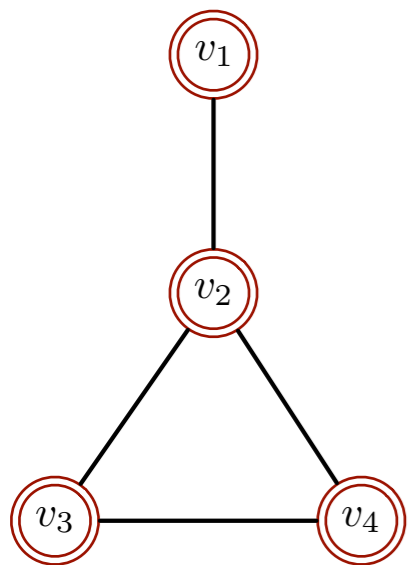
$$E(\mathcal{G}) \in \mathbb{R}^{|\mathcal{V}| \times |\mathcal{E}|}$$

$$E(\mathcal{G}) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$



The Consensus Protocol

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Consensus Protocol

$$u_i(t) = \sum_{i \sim j} w_{ij} (x_j(t) - x_i(t))$$

$$\dot{x}(t) = -L(\mathcal{G})x(t)$$

Laplacian Matrix

- $L(\mathcal{G}) \in \mathbb{R}^{|\mathcal{V}| \times |\mathcal{V}|}$
- $L(\mathcal{G}) = E(\mathcal{G})W E(\mathcal{G})^T$
- $L(\mathcal{G})\mathbf{1} = 0$

$$e = (v_i, v_j) \in \mathcal{E}$$

$$W(e) = w_{ij} = [W]_{ee}$$



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Theorem | *Let $\mathcal{G} = (\mathcal{V}, \mathcal{E}, \mathcal{W})$ be a weighted and connected graph with positive edge weights $\mathcal{W}(k) > 0$ for $k = 1, \dots, |\mathcal{E}|$. Then the consensus dynamics synchronizes; i.e., $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} x_i(t) = \beta$ for $i = 1, \dots, |\mathcal{V}|$.*

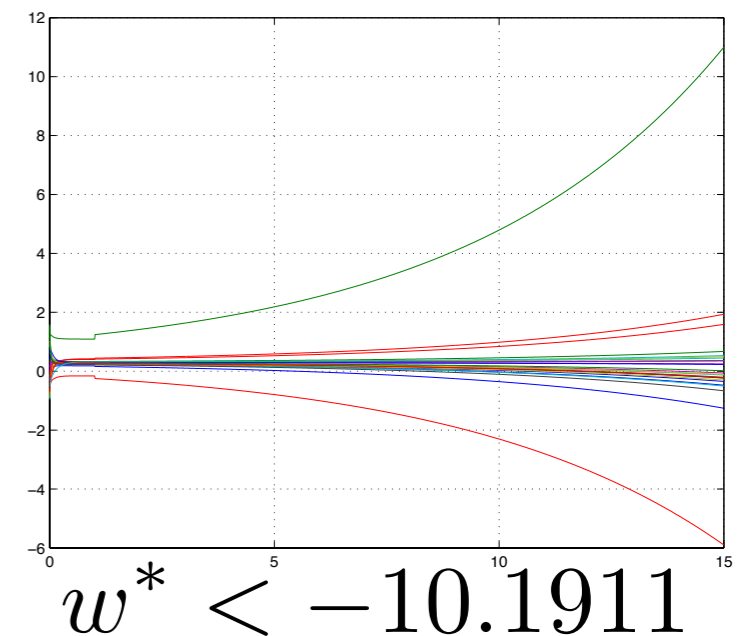
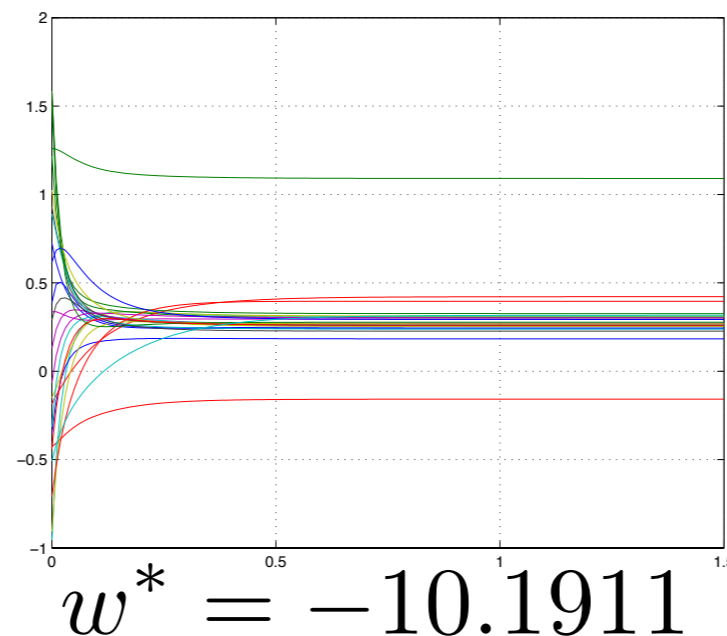
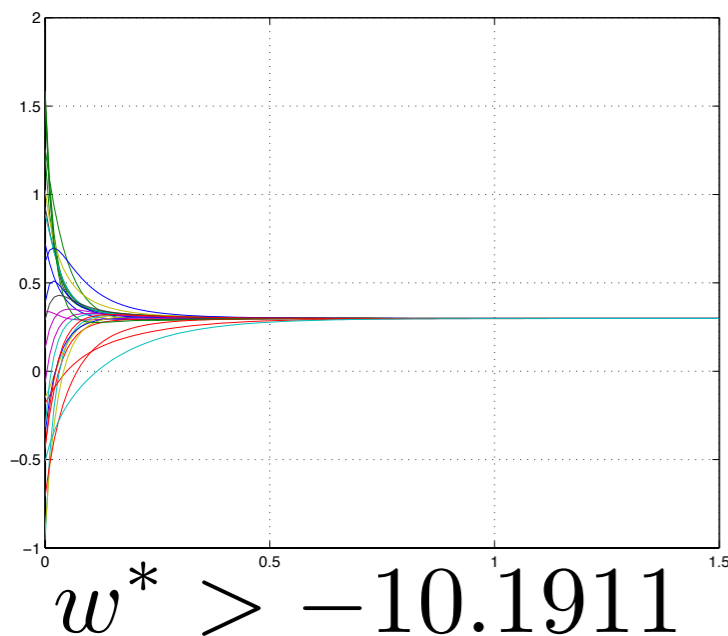
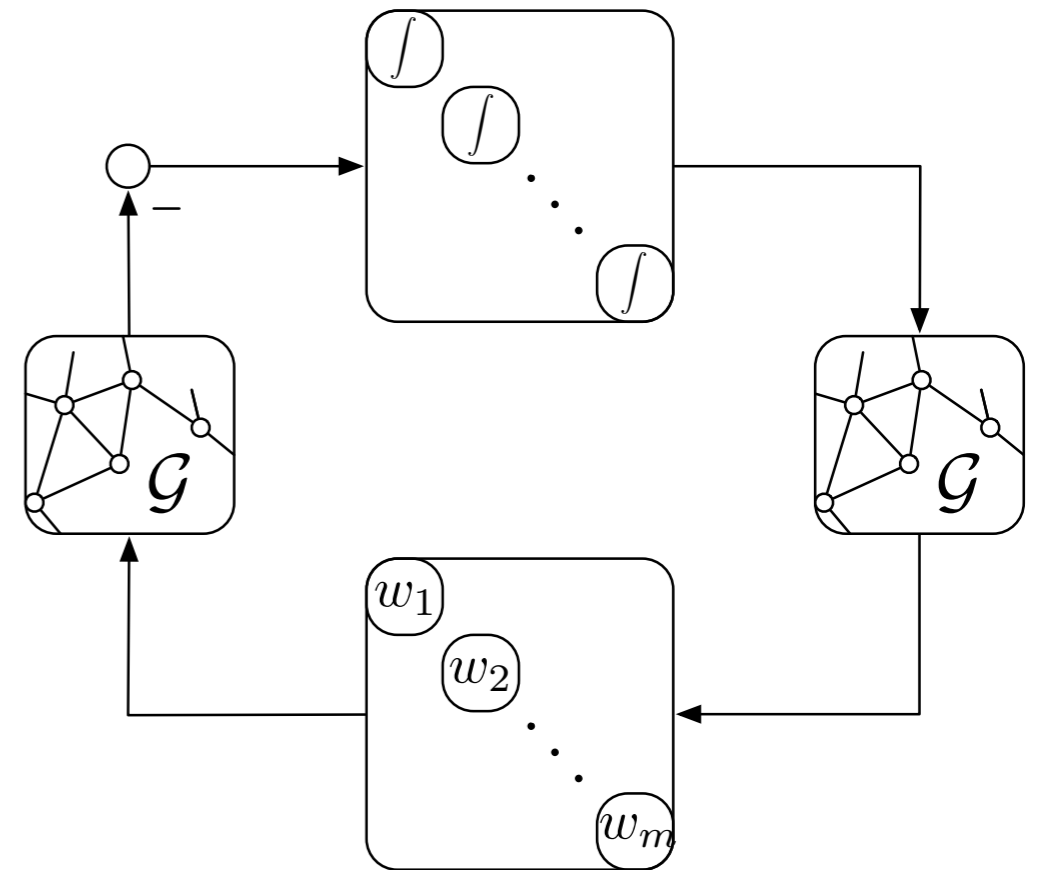
Mesbahi & Egerstedt, Olfati-Saber, Ren

Robustness in Consensus Networks

The Linear Weighted Consensus Protocol

$$\dot{x}_i(t) = \sum_{i \sim j} w_{ij} (x_j(t) - x_i(t))$$

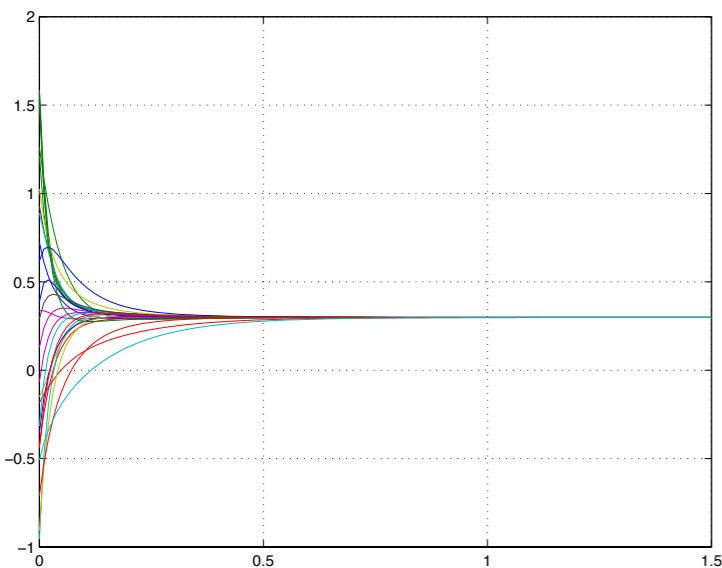
\mathcal{G} 25 nodes
98 edges



Synchronization and the Laplacian

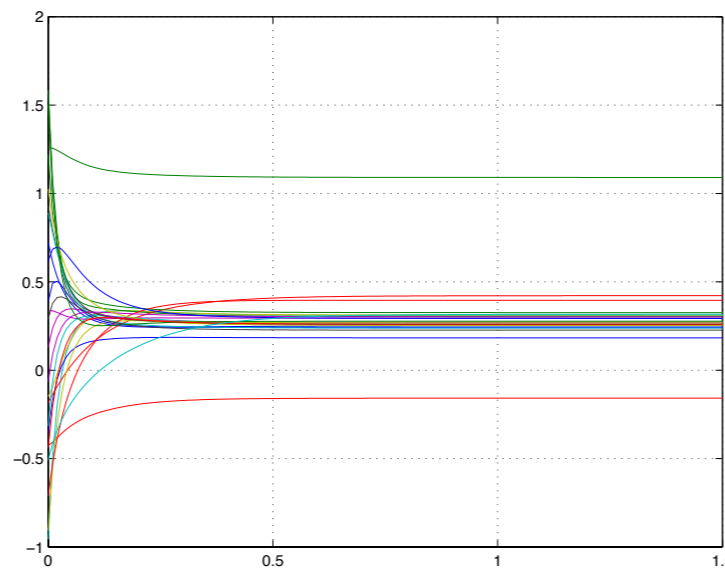
$$x(t) = e^{-L(\mathcal{G})t} x_0$$

$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} x(t) = \beta \mathbf{1} \Leftrightarrow L(\mathcal{G})$ has only **one** eigenvalue at the origin



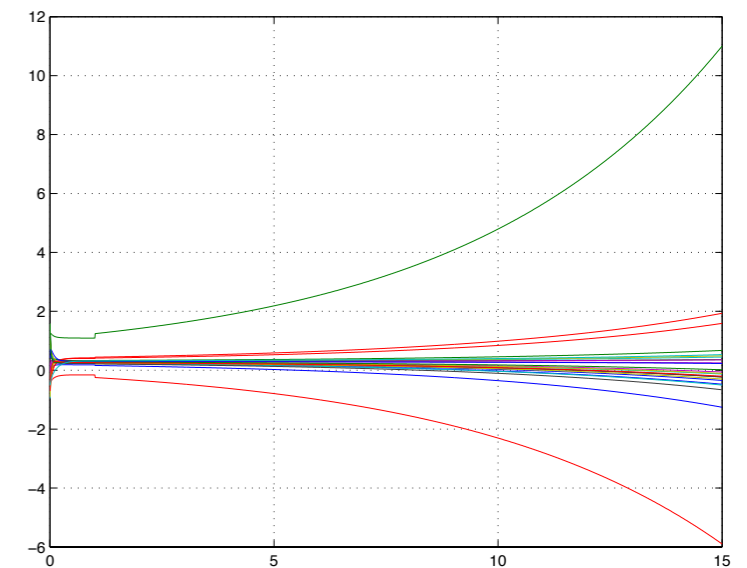
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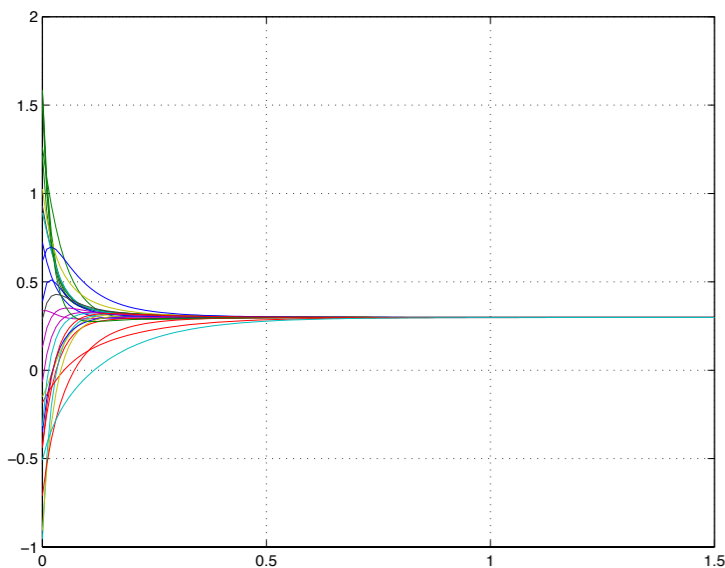
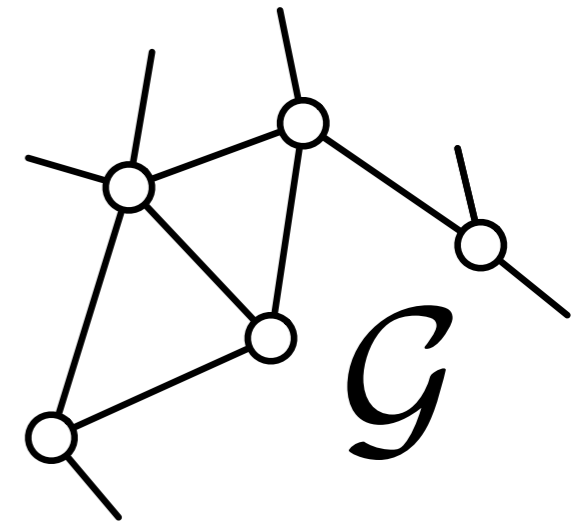
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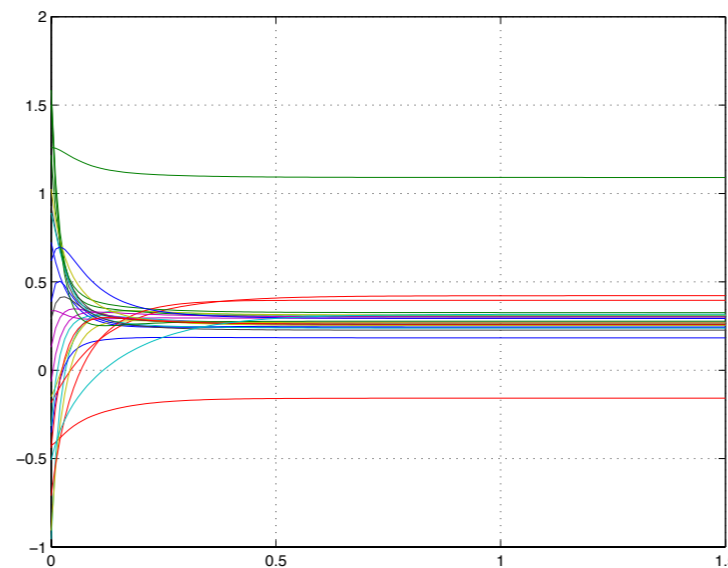
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system behavior depends on the spectral properties of the graph Laplacian



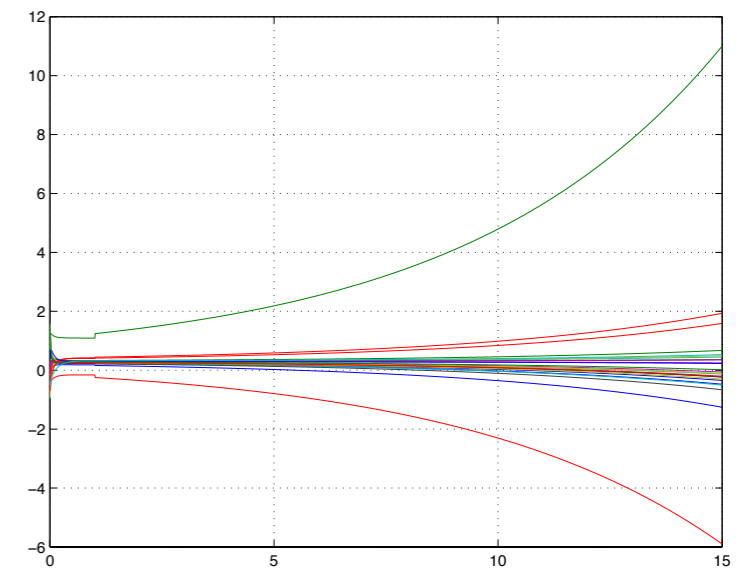
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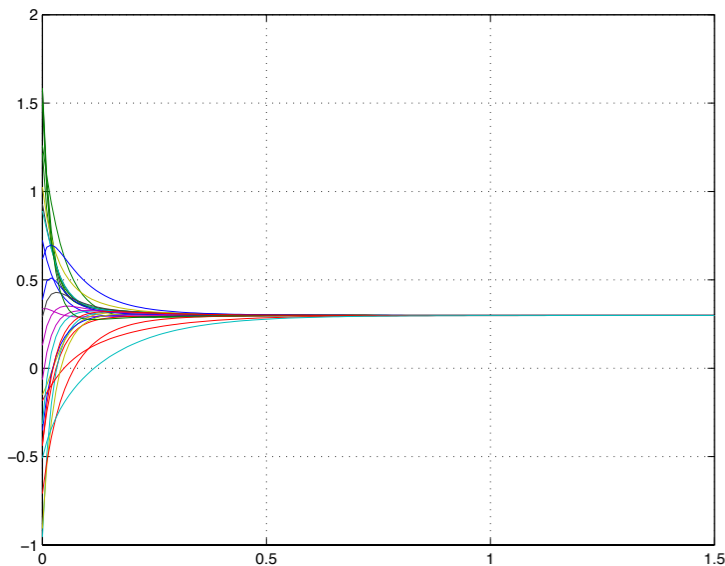
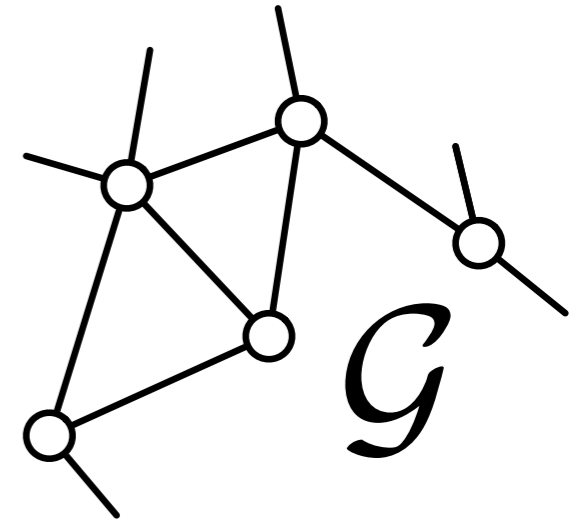
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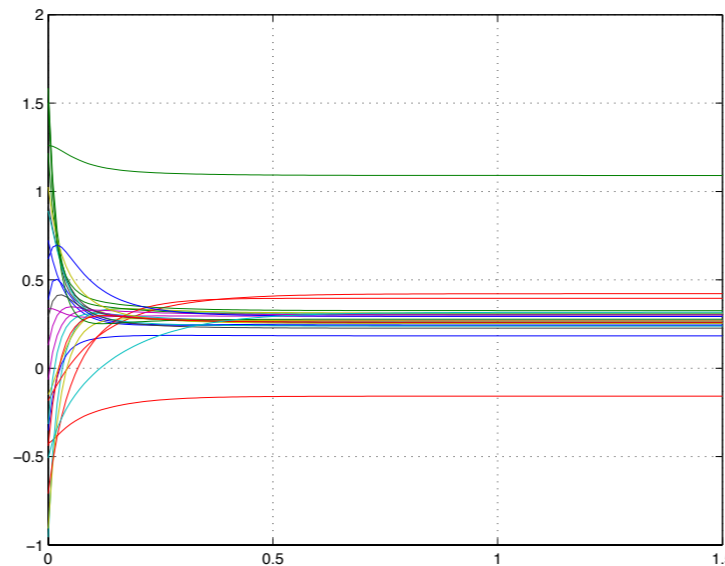
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can we understand spectral properties of the Laplacian from the structure of the graph?



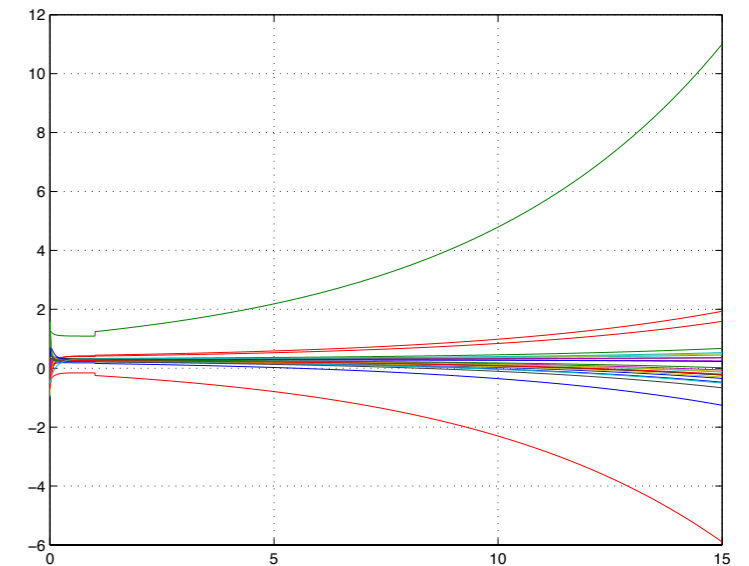
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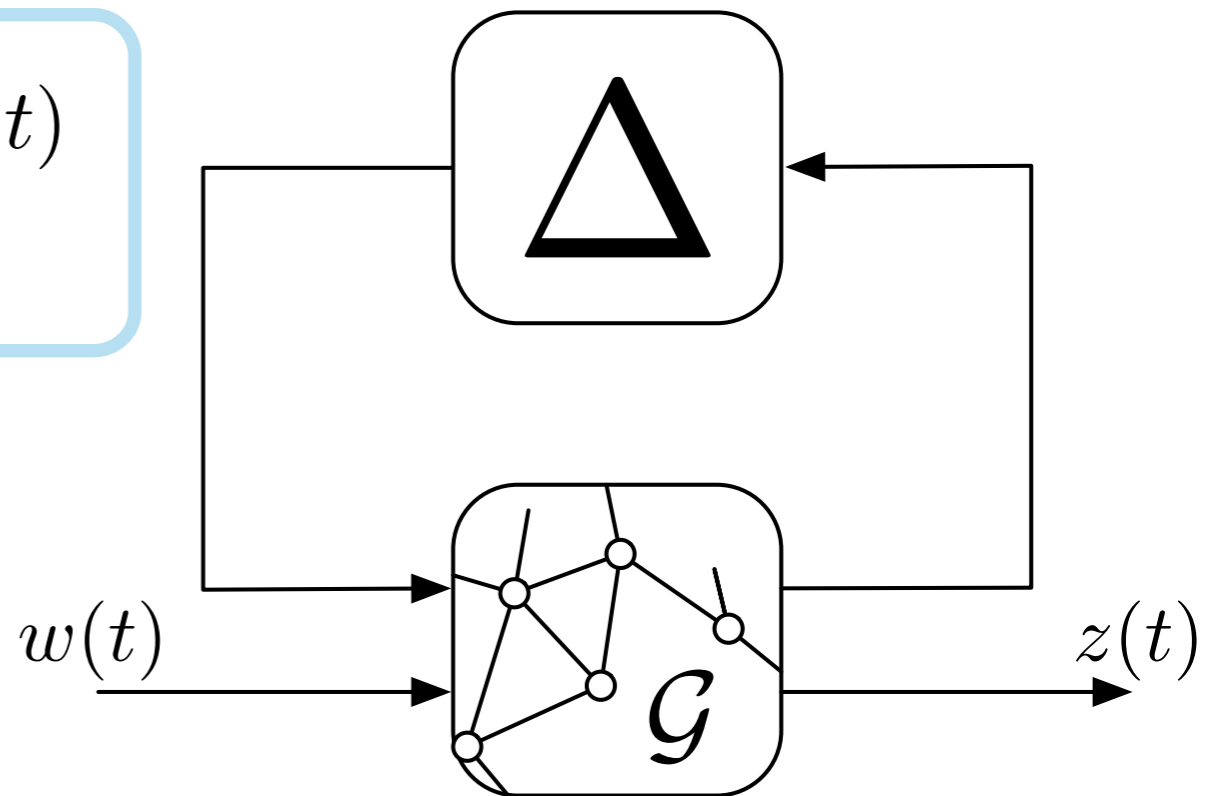
the *nominal* consensus protocol

$$\Sigma(\mathcal{G}) : \begin{cases} \dot{x}(t) &= -L(\mathcal{G})x(t) + w(t) \\ z(t) &= E(\mathcal{G}_o)^T x(t) \end{cases}$$

- assume finite-energy disturbances

$$w(t) \in \mathcal{L}_2^n[0, \infty)$$

- controlled variables are relative states over *any* graph of interest



additive uncertainty in the edge weights

$$\Delta = \{ \Delta : \Delta = \mathbf{diag}\{\delta_1, \dots, \delta_{|\mathcal{E}_\Delta|}\}, \|\Delta\| \leq \bar{\delta} \}$$

$$\Sigma(\mathcal{G}, \Delta) : \begin{cases} \dot{x}(t) &= -E(\mathcal{G})(W + \Delta)E(\mathcal{G})^T x(t) + w(t) \\ z(t) &= E(\mathcal{G}_o)^T x(t) \end{cases}$$



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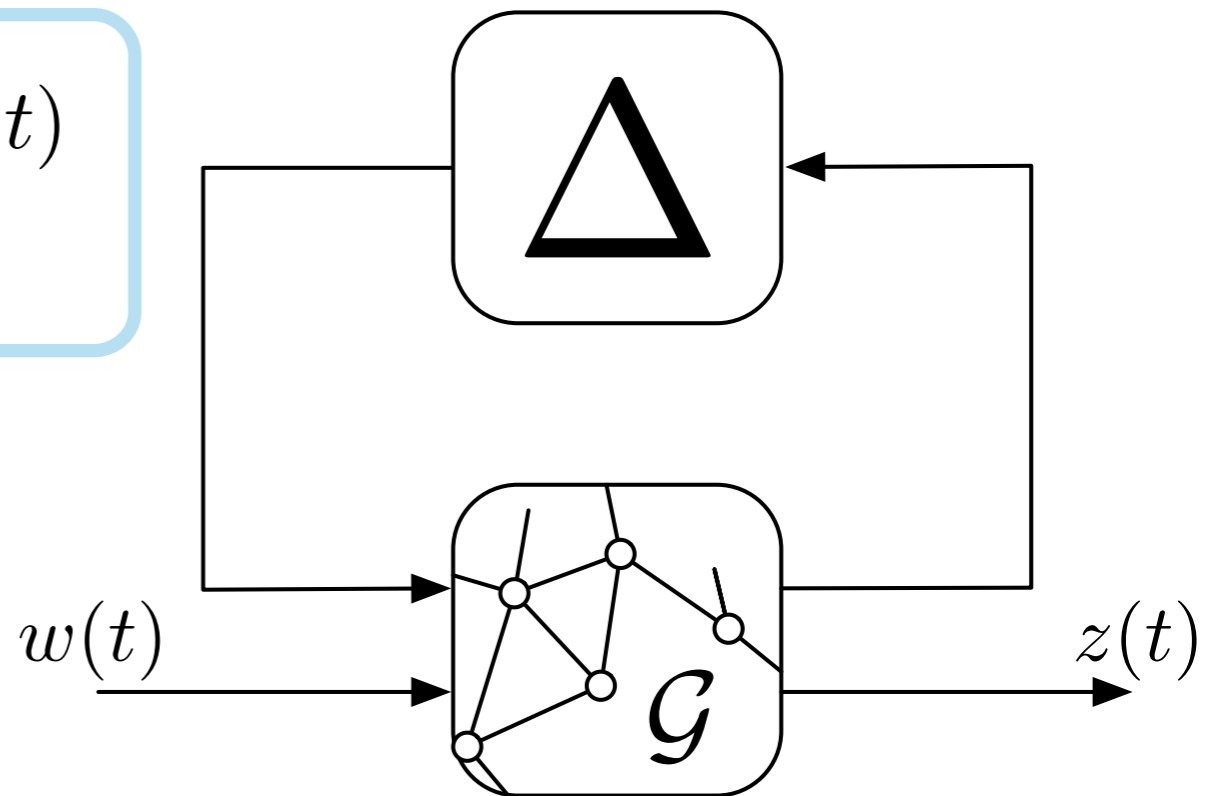
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sector-bounded non-linearities in the edge weights

$$\Phi(y) = [\phi_1(y_1) \cdots \phi_{|\mathcal{E}_\Delta|}(y_{|\mathcal{E}_\Delta|})] \quad \alpha_i u_i^2 \leq u_i \phi_i(y_i) \leq \beta_i u_i^2$$

$$\Sigma(\mathcal{G}, \Phi) : \begin{cases} \dot{x}(t) &= -L(\mathcal{G})x(t) - E(G_\Delta)\Phi(E(G_\Delta)^T x(t)) + w(t) \\ z(t) &= E(\mathcal{G}_o)^T x(t) \end{cases}$$

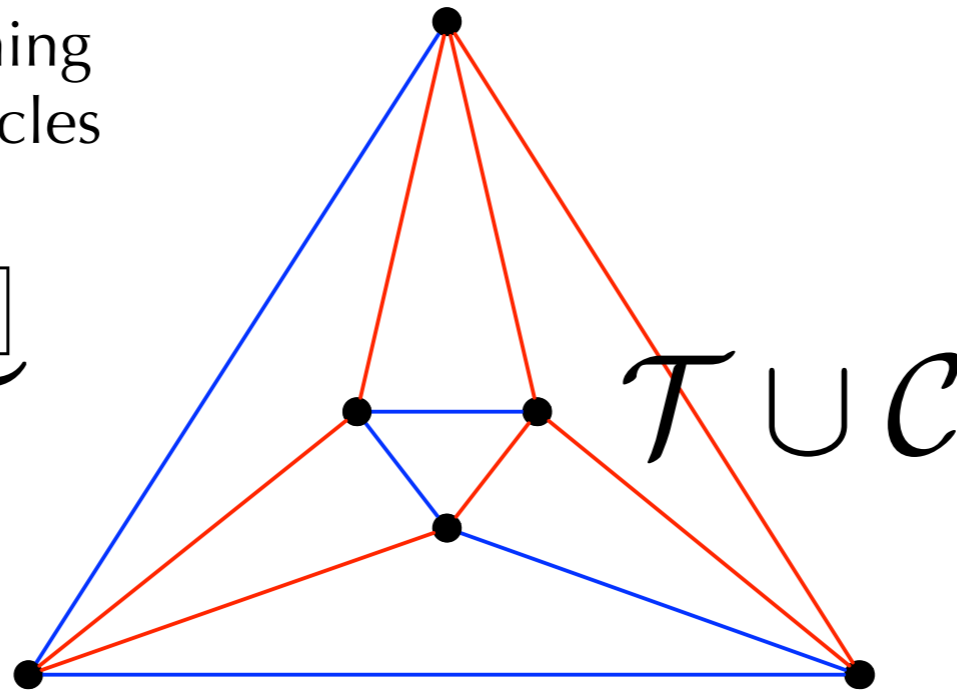


Spanning Trees and Cycles

A graph as the union of a spanning tree and edges that complete cycles

$$E(\mathcal{G}) = E(\mathcal{T}) \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} I & T_{(\mathcal{T}, \mathcal{C})} \end{bmatrix}}_{\mathcal{R}_{(\mathcal{T}, \mathcal{C})}}$$

$$T_{(\mathcal{T}, \mathcal{C})} = \underbrace{(E_{\mathcal{T}}^T E_{\mathcal{T}})^{-1} E_{\mathcal{T}}^T}_{E_{\mathcal{T}}^L} E(\mathcal{C})$$



a spanning tree

remaining edges
"complete cycles"

Weighted Edge Laplacian

$$L_e(\mathcal{G}) = W^{\frac{1}{2}} E(\mathcal{G})^T E(\mathcal{G}) W^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

Essential Edge Laplacian

$$L_e(\mathcal{T}) R_{(\mathcal{T}, \mathcal{C})} W R_{(\mathcal{T}, \mathcal{C})}^T := L_{ess}(\mathcal{G})$$

$\mathcal{R}_{(\mathcal{T}, \mathcal{C})}$ rows form a basis for the cut space of the graph

similarity between edge and graph Laplacians

$$L(\mathcal{G}) \longleftrightarrow L_e(\mathcal{G})$$



The Edge Agreement

the *uncertain linear edge agreement*

$\Sigma_{\mathcal{F}}(\mathcal{G}, \Delta)$

$$\begin{cases} \dot{x}_{\mathcal{F}} &= -L_e(\mathcal{F})R_{(\mathcal{F},c)}(W + P\Delta P^T)R_{(\mathcal{F},c)}^T x_{\mathcal{F}} + E_{\mathcal{F}}^T w \\ z &= E(\mathcal{G}_o)^T (E_{\mathcal{F}}^L)^T x_{\mathcal{F}} \end{cases}$$

- a *minimal* realization of consensus network
- $z(t) \in \mathcal{L}_2^m[0, \infty)$.

the *uncertain non-linear edge agreement*

$\Sigma_{\mathcal{F}}(\mathcal{G}, \Phi)$

sector-bounded nonlinear couplings

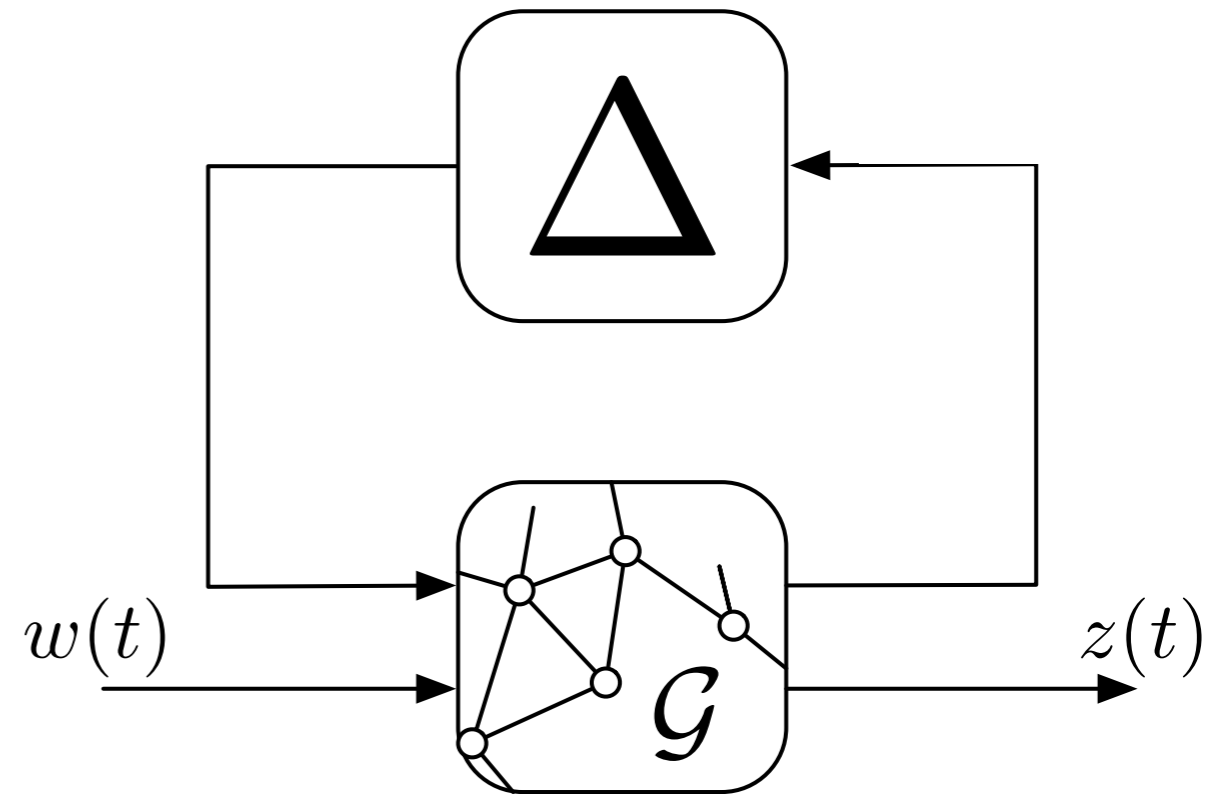
$$\begin{cases} \dot{x}_{\mathcal{F}} &= -L_{ess}(\mathcal{F})x_{\mathcal{F}} - L_e(\mathcal{F})R_{(\mathcal{F},c)}P(\Phi(P^T R_{(\mathcal{F},c)}^T x_{\mathcal{F}})) + E_{\mathcal{F}}^T w \\ z &= E(\mathcal{G}_o)^T (E_{\mathcal{F}}^L)^T x_{\mathcal{F}} \end{cases}$$



The Edge Agreement

What are the *robustness margins* or a consensus network with bounded additive perturbations to the edge weights?

- robust stability
- robust performance
- robust synthesis



$$\begin{cases} \dot{x}_{\mathcal{F}} &= -L_e(\mathcal{F})R_{(\mathcal{F},c)}(W + P\Delta P^T)R_{(\mathcal{F},c)}^T x_{\mathcal{F}} + E_{\mathcal{F}}^T w \\ z &= E(\mathcal{G}_o)^T (E_{\mathcal{F}}^L)^T x_{\mathcal{F}} \end{cases}$$



Some Properties of $L_e(\mathcal{G})$

Proposition *The matrix $L_e(\mathcal{T})R_{(\mathcal{T},c)}WR_{(\mathcal{T},c)}^T$ has the same inertia as $R_{(\mathcal{T},c)}WR_{(\mathcal{T},c)}^T$. Similarly, the matrix $(L_e(\mathcal{T})R_{(\mathcal{T},c)}WR_{(\mathcal{T},c)}^T)^{-1}$ has the same inertia as $(R_{(\mathcal{T},c)}WR_{(\mathcal{T},c)}^T)^{-1}$.*

Recall: The *inertia* of a matrix is the number of negative, 0, and positive eigenvalues

Proof:

$$L_e(\mathcal{T})R_{(\mathcal{T},c)}WR_{(\mathcal{T},c)}^T \sim L_e(\mathcal{T})^{\frac{1}{2}}R_{(\mathcal{T},c)}WR_{(\mathcal{T},c)}^TL_e(\mathcal{T})^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

$$L_e(\mathcal{T})^{\frac{1}{2}}R_{(\mathcal{T},c)}WR_{(\mathcal{T},c)}^TL_e(\mathcal{T})^{\frac{1}{2}} \text{ is congruent to } R_{(\mathcal{T},c)}WR_{(\mathcal{T},c)}^T$$

congruent matrices have the same inertia



Some Properties of $L_e(\mathcal{G})$

Proposition

$$L(\mathcal{G}) \geq 0 \Leftrightarrow R_{(\mathcal{T}, \mathcal{C})} W R_{(\mathcal{T}, \mathcal{C})}^T \geq 0$$

The definiteness of the graph Laplacian can be studied through another matrix!

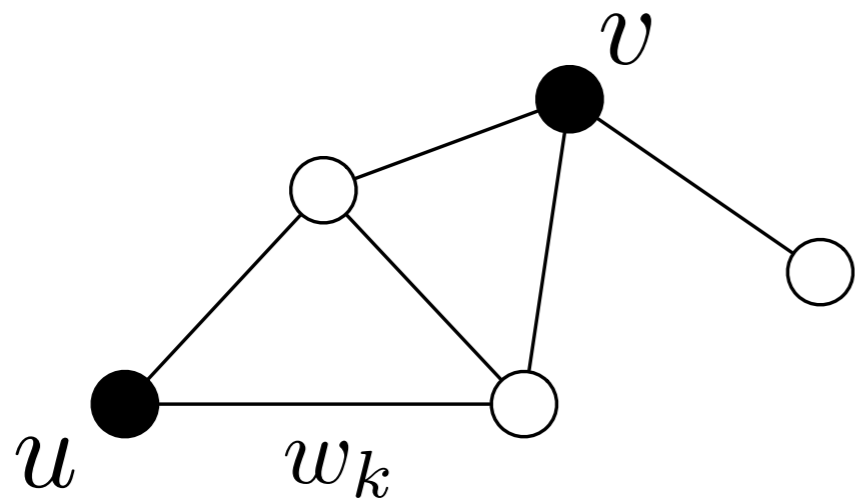
$$R_{(\mathcal{T}, \mathcal{C})} W R_{(\mathcal{T}, \mathcal{C})}^T$$

intimately related to the notion of **effective resistance** of a network

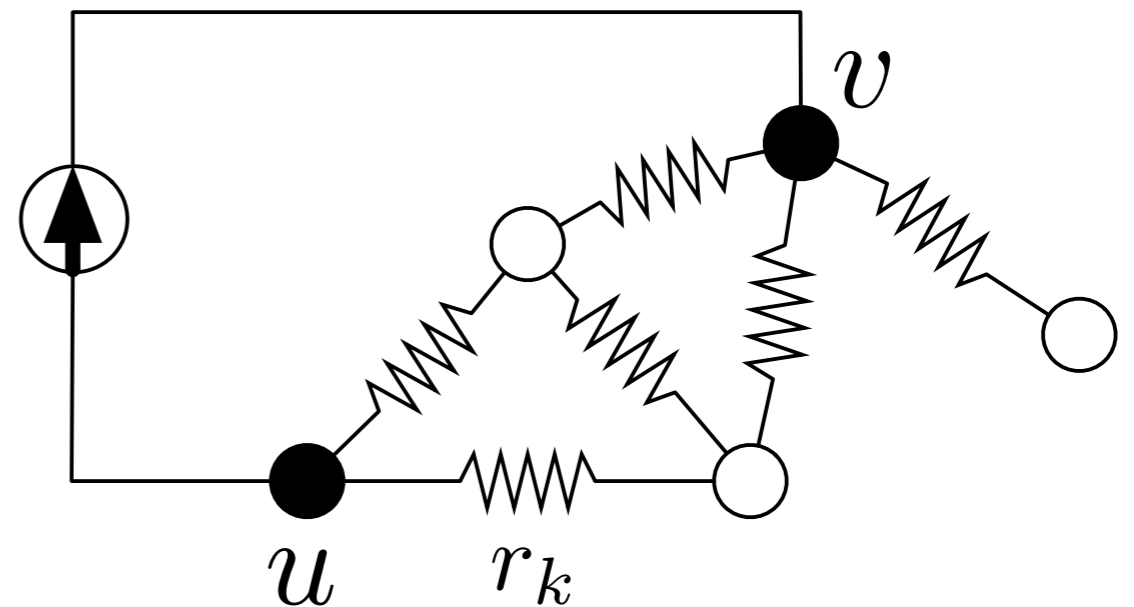


Effective Resistance of a Graph

The **effective resistance** between two nodes u and v is the electrical resistance measured across the nodes when the graph represents an electrical circuit with each edge a resistor



$r_k = \frac{1}{w_k}$ edge weights are the conductance of each resistor



$$r_{uv} = (\mathbf{e}_u - \mathbf{e}_v)^T L^\dagger(\mathcal{G})(\mathbf{e}_u - \mathbf{e}_v)$$

$$= [L^\dagger(\mathcal{G})]_{uu} - 2 [L^\dagger(\mathcal{G})]_{uv} + [L^\dagger(\mathcal{G})]_{vv}$$

Klein and Randić
1993

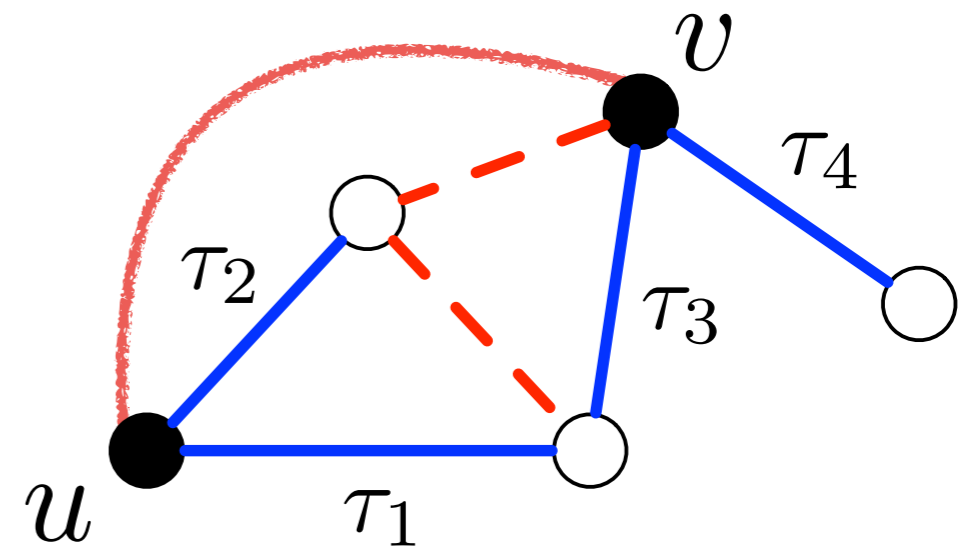
Effective Resistance of a Graph

Proposition

$$\begin{aligned} L^\dagger(\mathcal{G}) &= (E_\tau^L)^T (R_{(\tau, c)} W R_{(\tau, c)}^T)^{-1} E_\tau^L \\ &= (E_\tau^L)^T L_{ess}(\mathcal{T})^{-1} E_\tau^T \end{aligned}$$

$$r_{uv} = (\mathbf{e}_u - \mathbf{e}_v)^T L^\dagger(\mathcal{G}) (\mathbf{e}_u - \mathbf{e}_v)$$

$$E_\tau^L(\mathbf{e}_u - \mathbf{e}_v) = \begin{bmatrix} \pm 1 \\ 0 \\ \pm 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{matrix} \tau_1 \\ \tau_2 \\ \tau_3 \\ \tau_4 \end{matrix}$$



$$\mathcal{G} = \mathcal{T} \cup \mathcal{C}$$

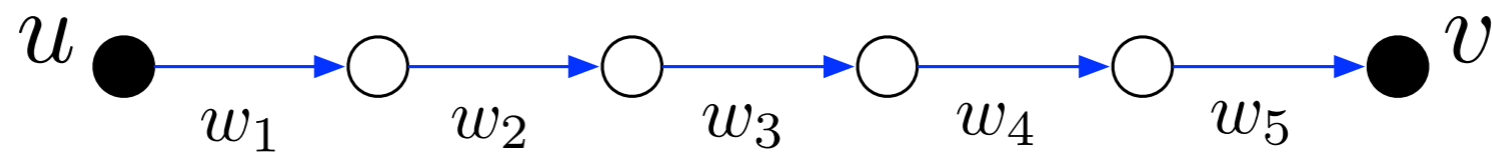
indicates a path from node u to v using only edges in the spanning tree

$$T_{(\tau, c)} = \underbrace{(E_\tau^T E_\tau)^{-1} E_\tau^T}_{E_\tau^L} E(\mathcal{C})$$



Effective Resistance of a Graph

$$r_{uv} = (\mathbf{e}_u - \mathbf{e}_v)^T (E_{\mathcal{T}}^L)^T (R_{(\mathcal{T},c)} W R_{(\mathcal{T},c)}^T)^{-1} E_{\mathcal{T}}^L (\mathbf{e}_u - \mathbf{e}_v)$$



$$R_{(\mathcal{T},c)} = I$$

$$E_{\mathcal{T}}^L (\mathbf{e}_u - \mathbf{e}_v) = \mathbb{1}$$

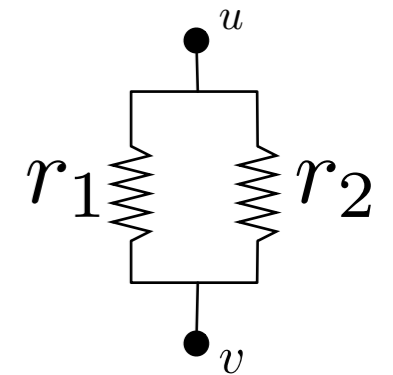
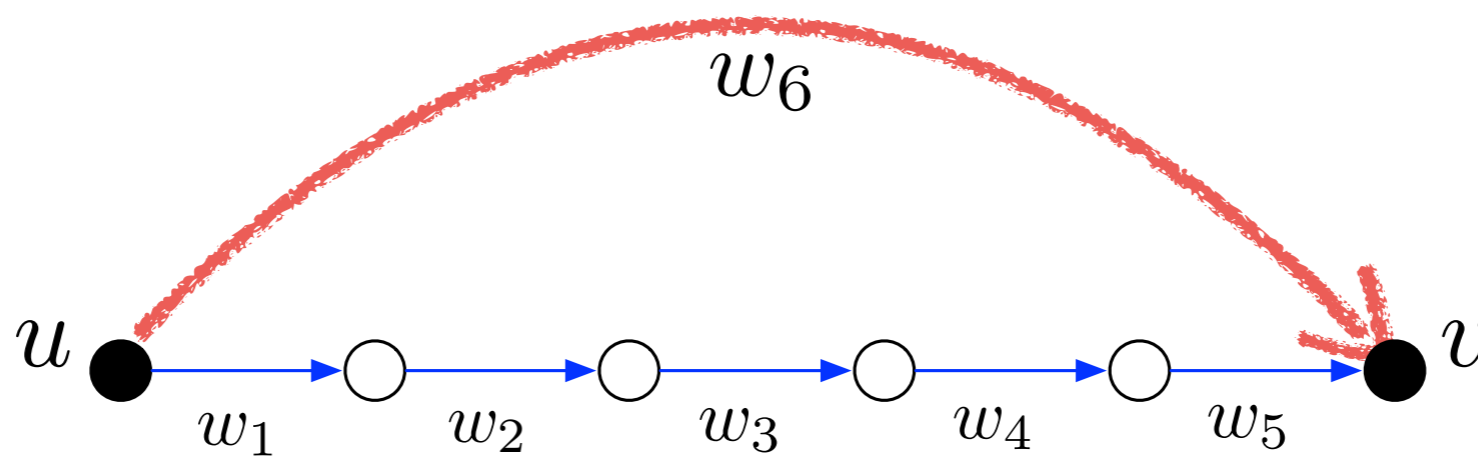
$$r_{uv} = \mathbb{1}^T W^{-1} \mathbb{1} = \sum_{i=1}^5 \frac{1}{w_i}$$

$$r_k = \frac{1}{w_k}$$



Effective Resistance of a Graph

$$r_{uv} = (\mathbf{e}_u - \mathbf{e}_v)^T (E_{\mathcal{T}}^L)^T (R_{(\mathcal{T},c)} W R_{(\mathcal{T},c)}^T)^{-1} E_{\mathcal{T}}^L (\mathbf{e}_u - \mathbf{e}_v)$$



$$r_{uv} = \frac{r_1 r_2}{r_1 + r_2}$$

$$R_{(\mathcal{T},c)} = \begin{bmatrix} I & \mathbb{1} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$E_{\mathcal{T}}^L (\mathbf{e}_u - \mathbf{e}_v) = \mathbb{1}$$

$$r_k = \frac{1}{w_k}$$

$$W_{\mathcal{T}} = \text{diag}\{w_1, \dots, w_5\}$$

$$r_{uv} = \mathbb{1}^T (R_{(\mathcal{T},c)} W R_{(\mathcal{T},c)}^T)^{-1} \mathbb{1}$$

$$= \mathbb{1}^T (W_{\mathcal{T}} + w_6 \mathbb{1} \mathbb{1}^T)^{-1} \mathbb{1}$$

$$= \frac{(\mathbb{1}^T W_{\mathcal{T}}^{-1} \mathbb{1}) w_6^{-1}}{\mathbb{1}^T W_{\mathcal{T}}^{-1} \mathbb{1} + w_6^{-1}}$$



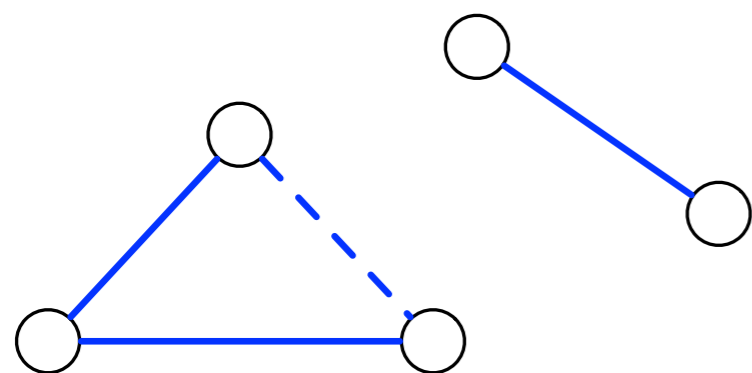
Signed Graphs

a **signed graph** is a graph with positive and negative edge weights

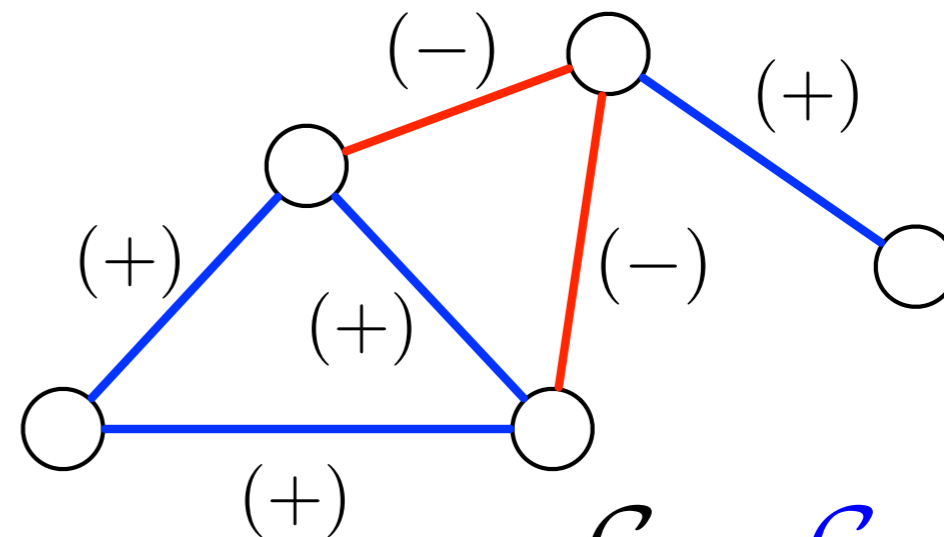
$$\mathcal{G} = (\mathcal{V}, \mathcal{E}, \mathcal{W})$$

$$\mathcal{W} : \mathcal{E} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

$$\mathcal{E}_+ = \{e \in \mathcal{E} : \mathcal{W}(e) > 0\}$$

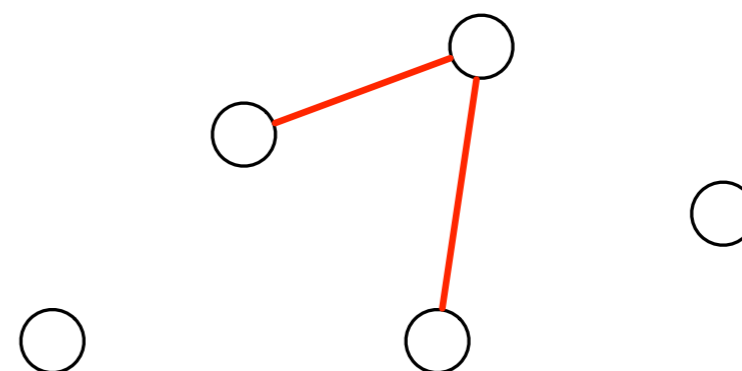


$$E(\mathcal{G}_+) = E_+ = E_{\mathcal{F}_+} R_{(\mathcal{F}_+, c_+)}$$



$$\mathcal{G} = \mathcal{G}_+ \cup \mathcal{G}_-$$

$$\mathcal{E}_- = \{e \in \mathcal{E} : \mathcal{W}(e) < 0\}$$



$$E(\mathcal{G}_-) = E_-$$

$$L(\mathcal{G}) = E(\mathcal{G}_+) W_+ E(\mathcal{G}_+)^T - E(\mathcal{G}_-) |W_-| E(\mathcal{G}_-)^T$$



Spectral Properties of Signed Graphs

Proposition

$$L(\mathcal{G}) \geq 0 \Leftrightarrow \begin{bmatrix} |W_-|^{-1} & E_-^T \\ E_- & E_+ W_+ E_+^T \end{bmatrix} \geq 0$$

Proof:

Schur Complement

$$L(\mathcal{G}) = E(\mathcal{G}_+) W_+ E(\mathcal{G}_+)^T - E(\mathcal{G}_-) |W_-| E(\mathcal{G}_-)^T$$



Spectral Properties of Signed Graphs

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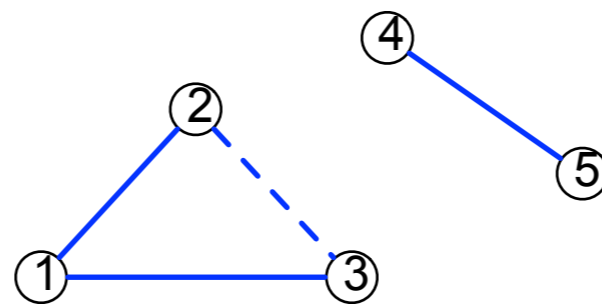
Congruent Transformation $S = \begin{bmatrix} I & 0 \\ 0 & \begin{bmatrix} (E_{\mathcal{F}_+}^L)^T & N_{\mathcal{F}_+} \end{bmatrix} \end{bmatrix}$

applied to $\begin{bmatrix} |W|_- & E_-^T \\ E_- & E_+ W_+ E_+^T \end{bmatrix}$

$$E(\mathcal{G}_+) = E_+ = E_{\mathcal{F}_+} R_{(\mathcal{F}_+, c_+)}$$

$$\text{IM}[N_{\mathcal{F}_+}] = \text{span}[\mathcal{N}(E_{\mathcal{F}_+}^T)]$$

Identifies how the positive weight graph is partitioned



$$N_{\mathcal{F}_+} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$



Spectral Properties of Signed Graphs

Proposition

$$L(\mathcal{G}) \geq 0 \Leftrightarrow \begin{bmatrix} |W_-|^{-1} & E_-^T (E_{\mathcal{F}_+}^L)^T & E_-^T N_{\mathcal{F}_+} \\ E_{\mathcal{F}_+}^L E_- & R_{(\mathcal{F}_+, c_+)} W_+ R_{(\mathcal{F}_+, c_+)}^T & 0 \\ N_{\mathcal{F}_+}^T E_- & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \geq 0$$

Proof:

Congruent Transformation $S = \begin{bmatrix} I & 0 \\ 0 & \begin{bmatrix} (E_{\mathcal{F}_+}^L)^T & N_{\mathcal{F}_+} \end{bmatrix} \end{bmatrix}$

applied to $\begin{bmatrix} |W|_- & E_-^T \\ E_- & E_+ W_+ E_+^T \end{bmatrix}$

If the positive portion weighted graph is connected...

$$N_{\mathcal{F}_+} = \mathbb{1}$$

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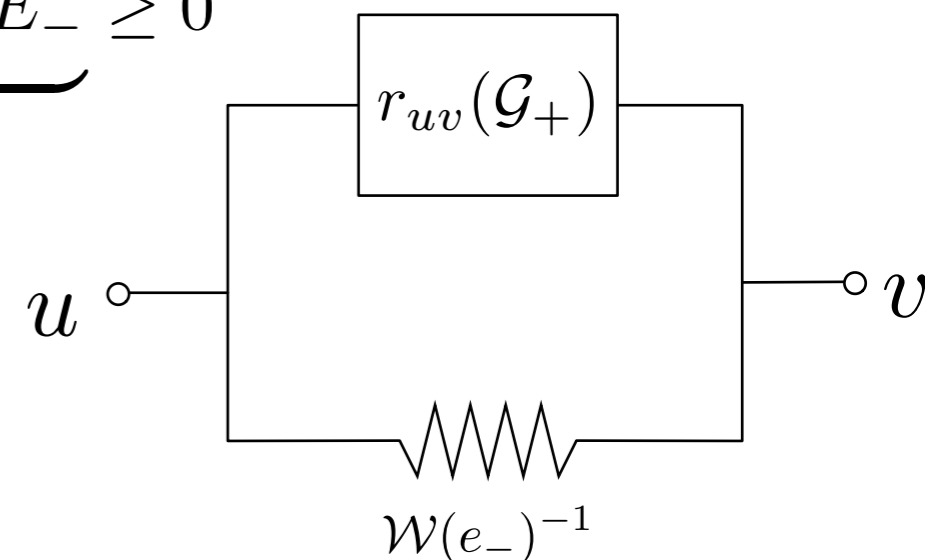
Theorem | Assume that \mathcal{G}_+ is connected and $|\mathcal{E}_-| = 1$ and let $\mathcal{E}_- = \{e_- = (u, v)\}$. Let r_{uv} denote the effective resistance between nodes $u, v \in \mathcal{V}$ over the graph \mathcal{G}_+ . Then

$$L(\mathcal{G}) \geq 0 \Leftrightarrow |\mathcal{W}(e_-)| \leq r_{uv}^{-1}$$

Proof:

$$|W_-|^{-1} - \underbrace{E_-^T (E_{\mathcal{F}_+}^L)^T (R_{(\mathcal{F}_+, c_+)} W_+ R_{(\mathcal{F}_+, c_+)}^T)^{-1} E_{\mathcal{F}_+}^L E_-}_{r_{uv}(\mathcal{G}_+)} \geq 0$$

any single edge can destabilize a consensus network with a “negative enough” edge weight



A Small-Gain Interpretation

upper fractional transformation

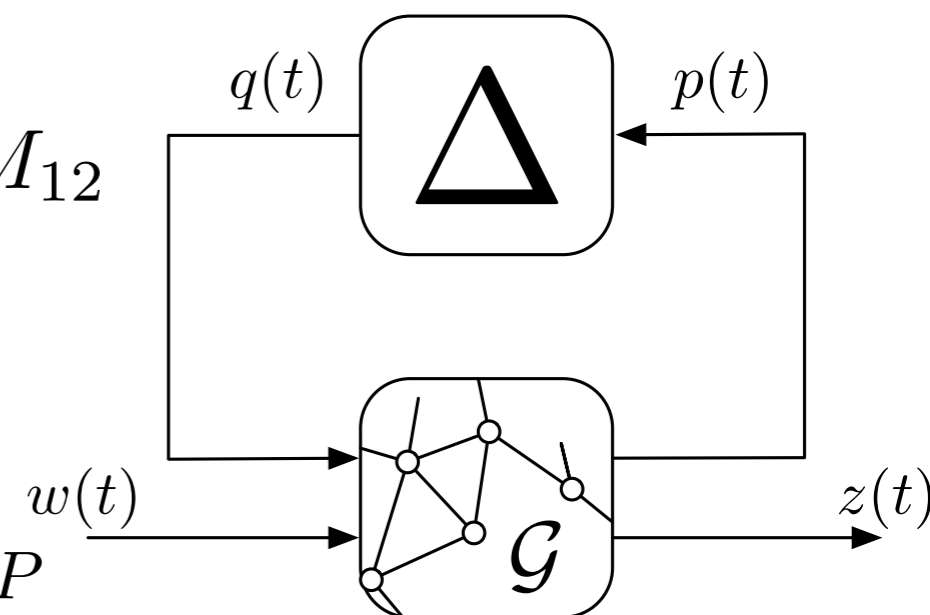
$$\bar{S}(\Sigma_{\mathcal{F}}(\mathcal{G}), \Delta) = M_{22} + M_{21}\Delta(I - M_{11}\Delta)^{-1}M_{12}$$

$$M_{11}(s) = P^T R_{(\mathcal{F},c)}^T (sI + L_{ess}(\mathcal{F}))^{-1} L_e(\mathcal{F}) R_{(\mathcal{F},c)} P$$

$$M_{12}(s) = P^T R_{(\mathcal{F},c)}^T (sI + L_{ess}(\mathcal{F}))^{-1} E(\mathcal{F})^T$$

$$M_{21}(s) = E(\mathcal{G}_o)^T (E_{\mathcal{F}}^L)^T (sI + L_{ess}(\mathcal{F}))^{-1} L_e(\mathcal{F}) R_{(\mathcal{F},c)} P$$

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Small-Gain Theorem

$$\|\Delta\| < \bar{\sigma}(M_{11}(0))^{-1}$$

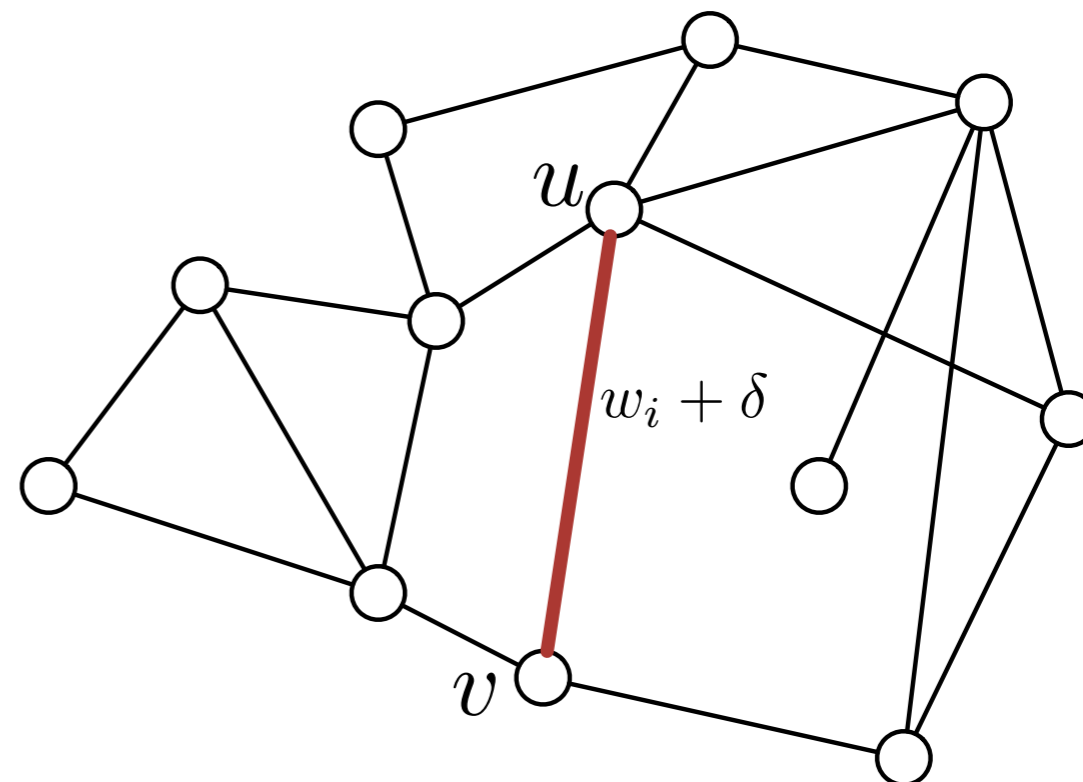


A Small-Gain Interpretation

assume *nominal* network is stable

consider a network with only a *single* uncertain edge

$$\mathcal{E}_\Delta = \{\{u, v\}\}$$



Theorem

- $\|M_{11}(s)\|_\infty = \mathcal{R}_{uv}$
- The uncertain consensus network is stable for any $\|\Delta\|_\infty < \mathcal{R}_{uv}^{-1}$

$$M_{11}(s) = P^T R_{(\mathcal{F},c)}^T (sI + L_{ess}(\mathcal{F}))^{-1} L_e(\mathcal{F}) R_{(\mathcal{F},c)} P$$

$$r_{uv} = (\mathbf{e}_u - \mathbf{e}_v)^T (E_\tau^L)^T \left(R_{(\tau,c)} W R_{(\tau,c)}^T \right)^{-1} E_\tau^L (\mathbf{e}_u - \mathbf{e}_v)$$

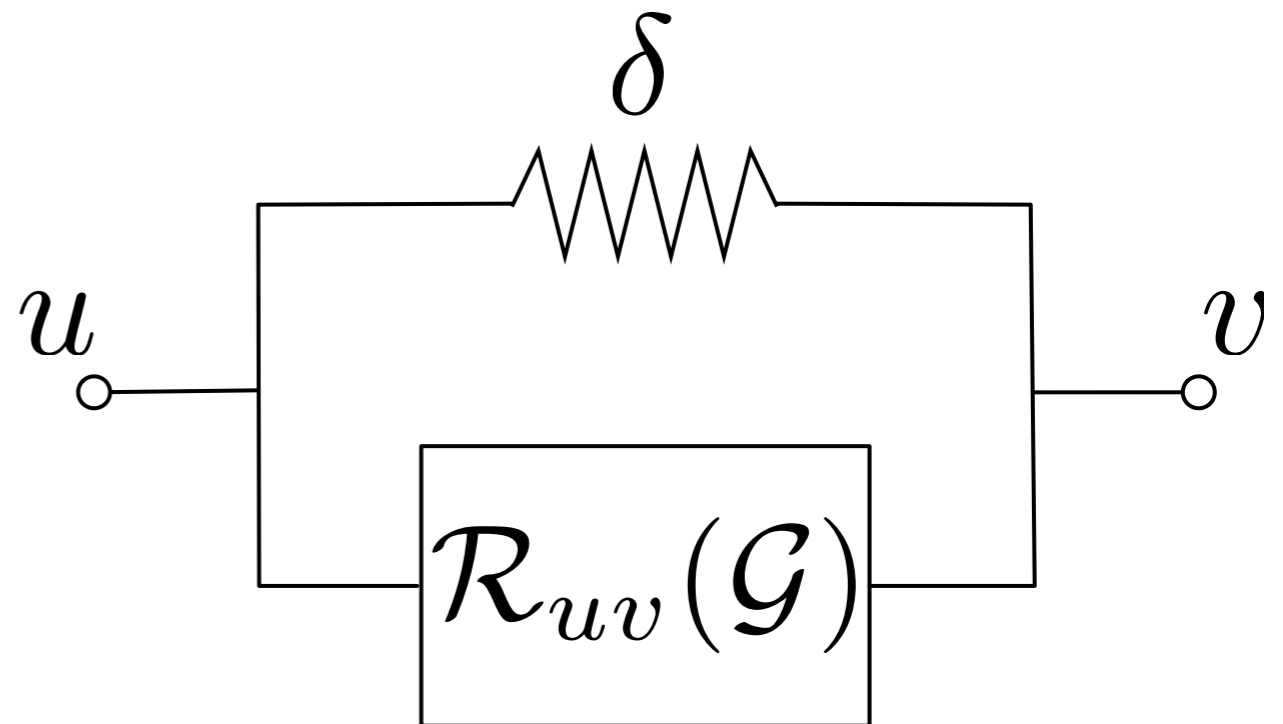


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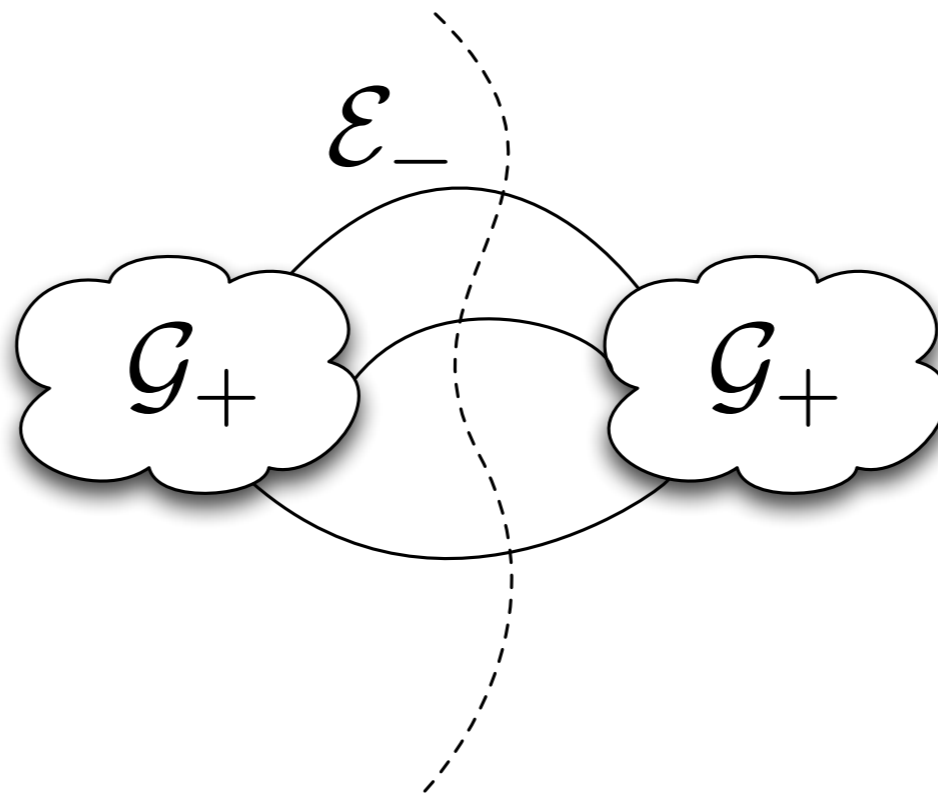
for single edge uncertainty, small-gain condition is *exact* (i.e., no conservatism)



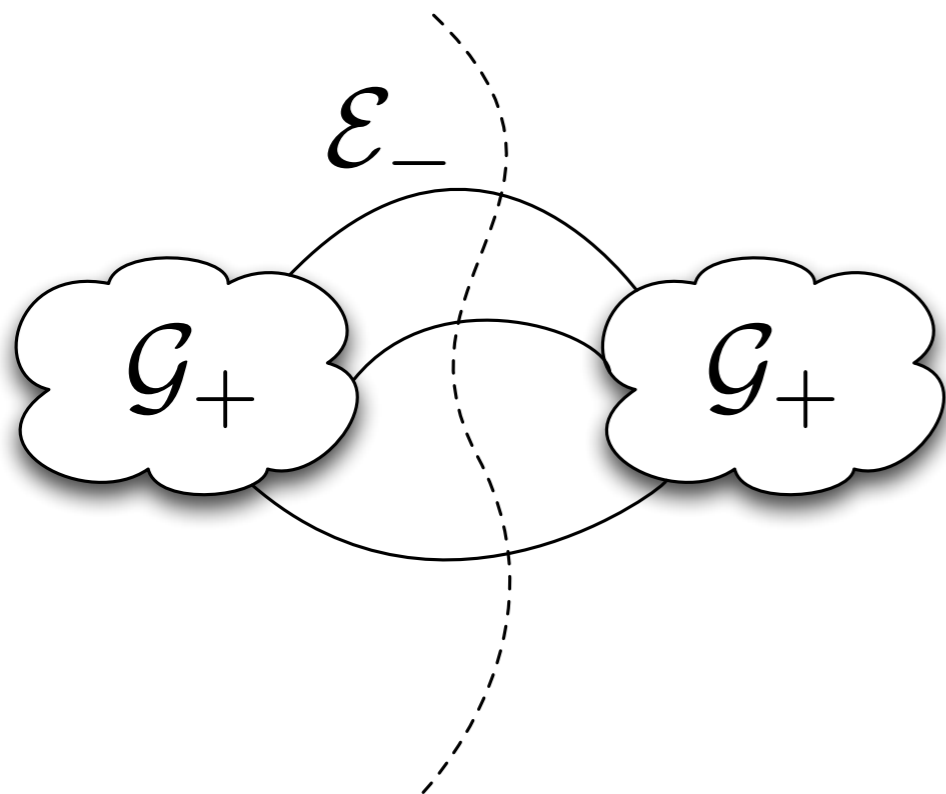
Spectral Properties of Signed Graphs

Corollary \square Assume that both \mathcal{E}_+ and \mathcal{E}_- are not empty. If \mathcal{G}_+ is not connected, then $L(\mathcal{G})$ is indefinite for any choice of negative weights.

a *balanced* signed graph



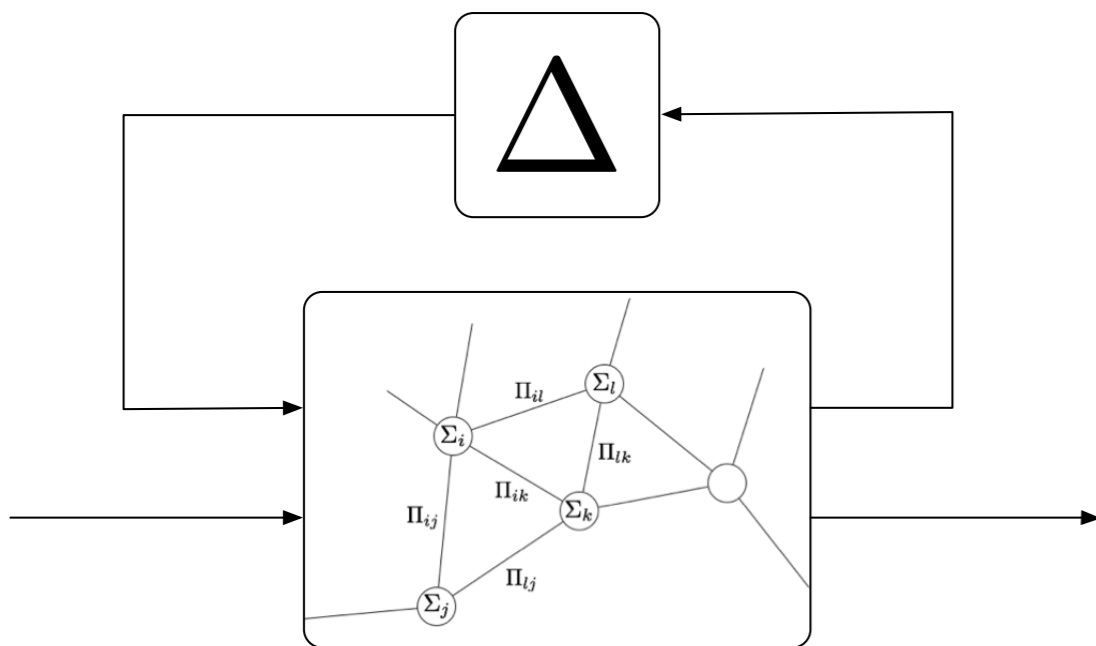
Graph Cuts and Robustness



The smallest cardinality cut of a graph can be thought of as a **combinatorial robustness measure** for linear consensus protocols
 \implies but *always* conservative

$$\left(\max_{e \in \mathcal{E}_\Delta} \mathcal{W}(e) \right)^{-1} \leq \max_{e \in \mathcal{E}_\Delta} \mathcal{R}_e(\mathcal{G}) \leq \bar{\sigma}(M_{11}(0))$$

As in the single negative weight edge example, graph cuts act to make an “open circuit”



- max-flow/min-cut algorithms
- minimum cardinality cut algorithms (Karger)



A Small-Gain Interpretation

 $\Sigma_{\mathcal{F}}(\mathcal{G}, \Phi)$

sector-bounded nonlinear couplings

$$\begin{cases} \dot{x}_{\mathcal{F}} &= -L_{ess}(\mathcal{F})x_{\mathcal{F}} - L_e(\mathcal{F})R_{(\mathcal{F},c)}P(\Phi(P^T R_{(\mathcal{F},c)}^T x_{\mathcal{F}})) + E_{\mathcal{F}}^T w \\ z &= E(\mathcal{G}_o)^T (E_{\mathcal{F}}^L)^T x_{\mathcal{F}} \end{cases}$$

Corollary *Consider the nonlinear edge agreement protocol $\Sigma_{\mathcal{F}}(\mathcal{G}, \Phi)$ with $\mathcal{E}_{\Delta} = \{\{u, v\}\}$ (i.e., $|\mathcal{E}_{\Delta}| = 1$) and assume $\Sigma(\mathcal{G})$ is nominally stable. Then $\Sigma_{\mathcal{F}}(\mathcal{G}, \Phi)$ is asymptotically stable for all $\Phi \in \Phi$ satisfying*

$$|\alpha| < \mathcal{R}_{uv}^{-1}(\mathcal{G}) \text{ and } ((\beta - \alpha)^2 - 2(\beta - \alpha) - 1) > -2w_{uv}.$$

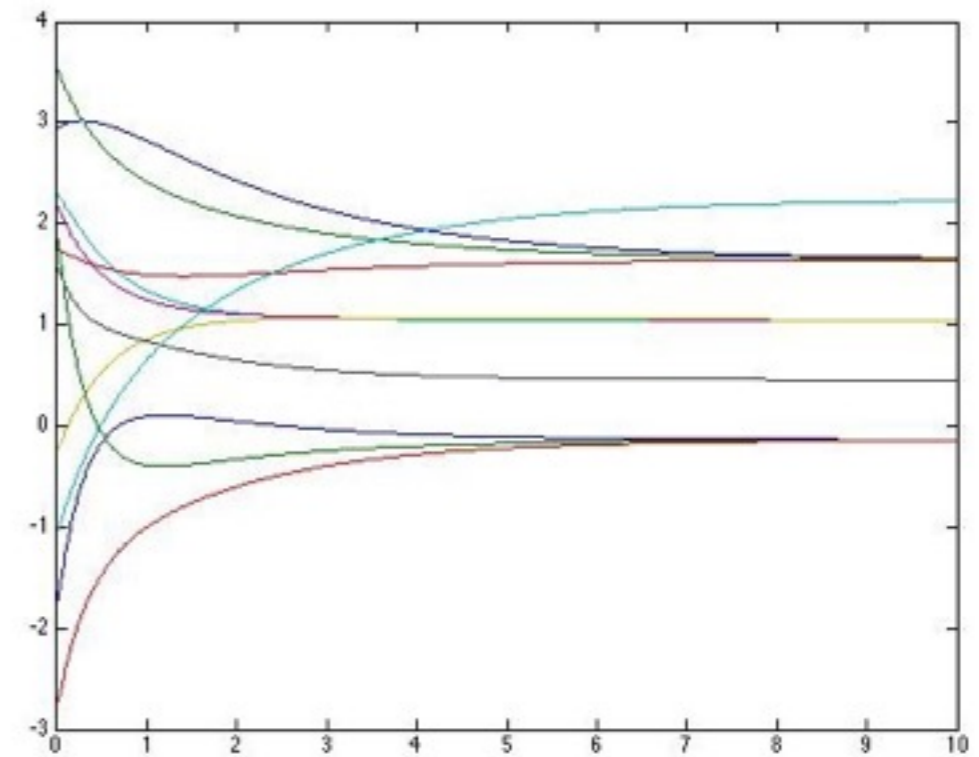
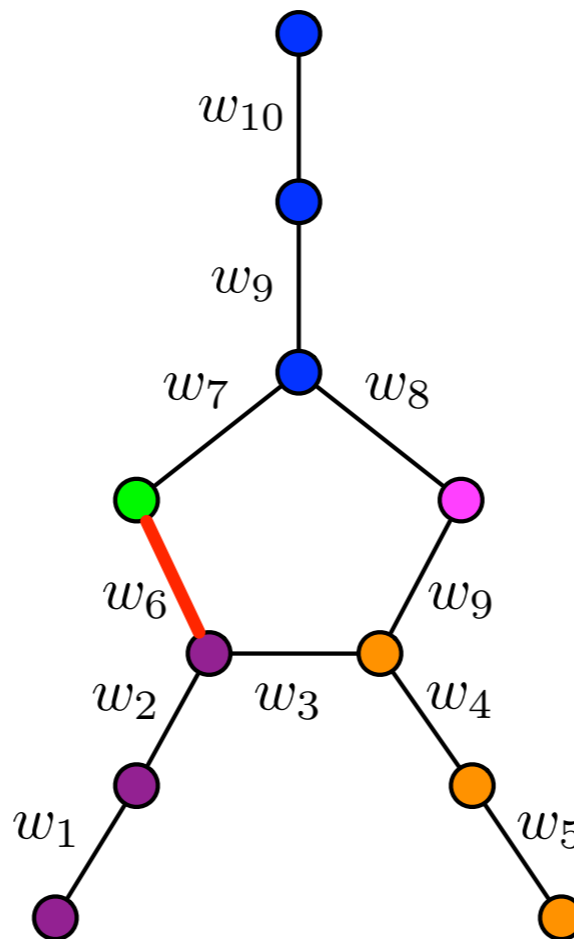


An Illustrative Example

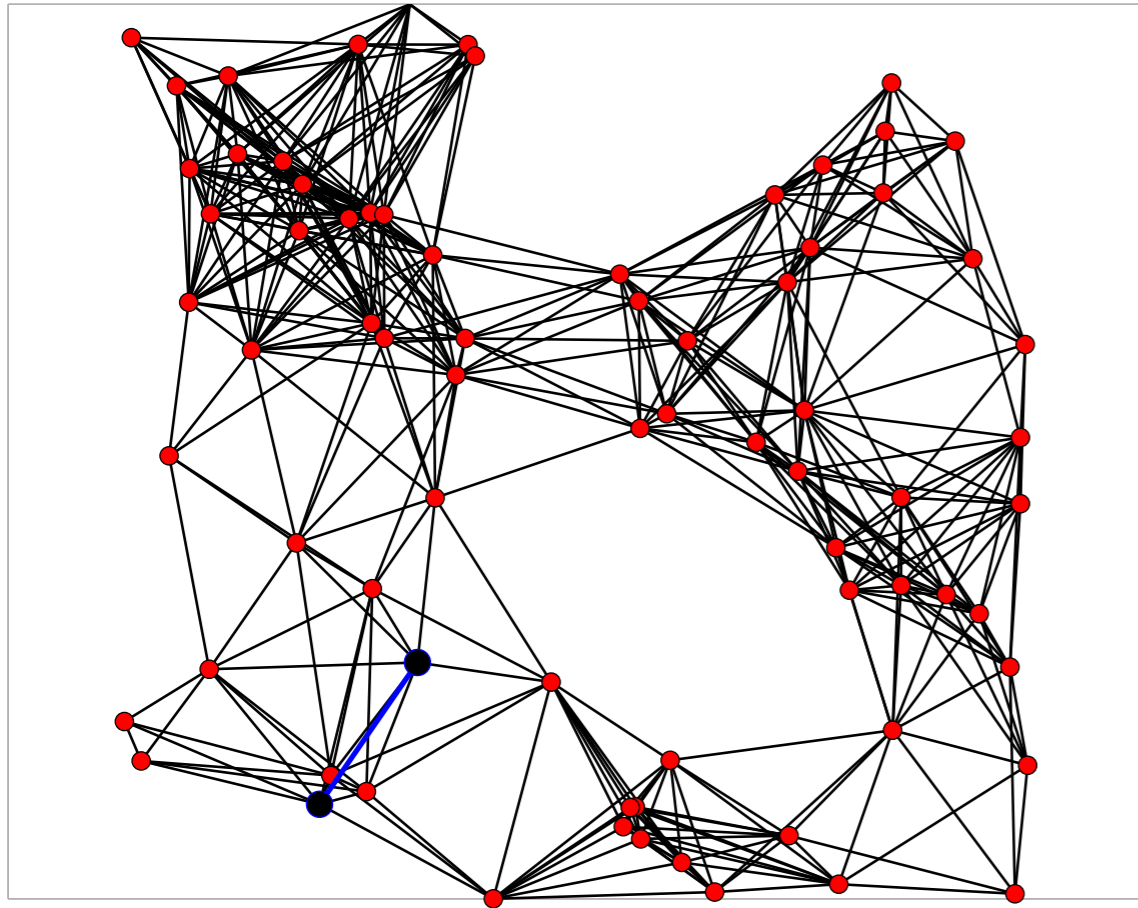
any single edge in the cycle can make the Laplacian indefinite

$$w_6 = -\frac{1}{r_6} = -\frac{1}{4}$$

$L(\mathcal{G})$ has two eigenvalues at the origin

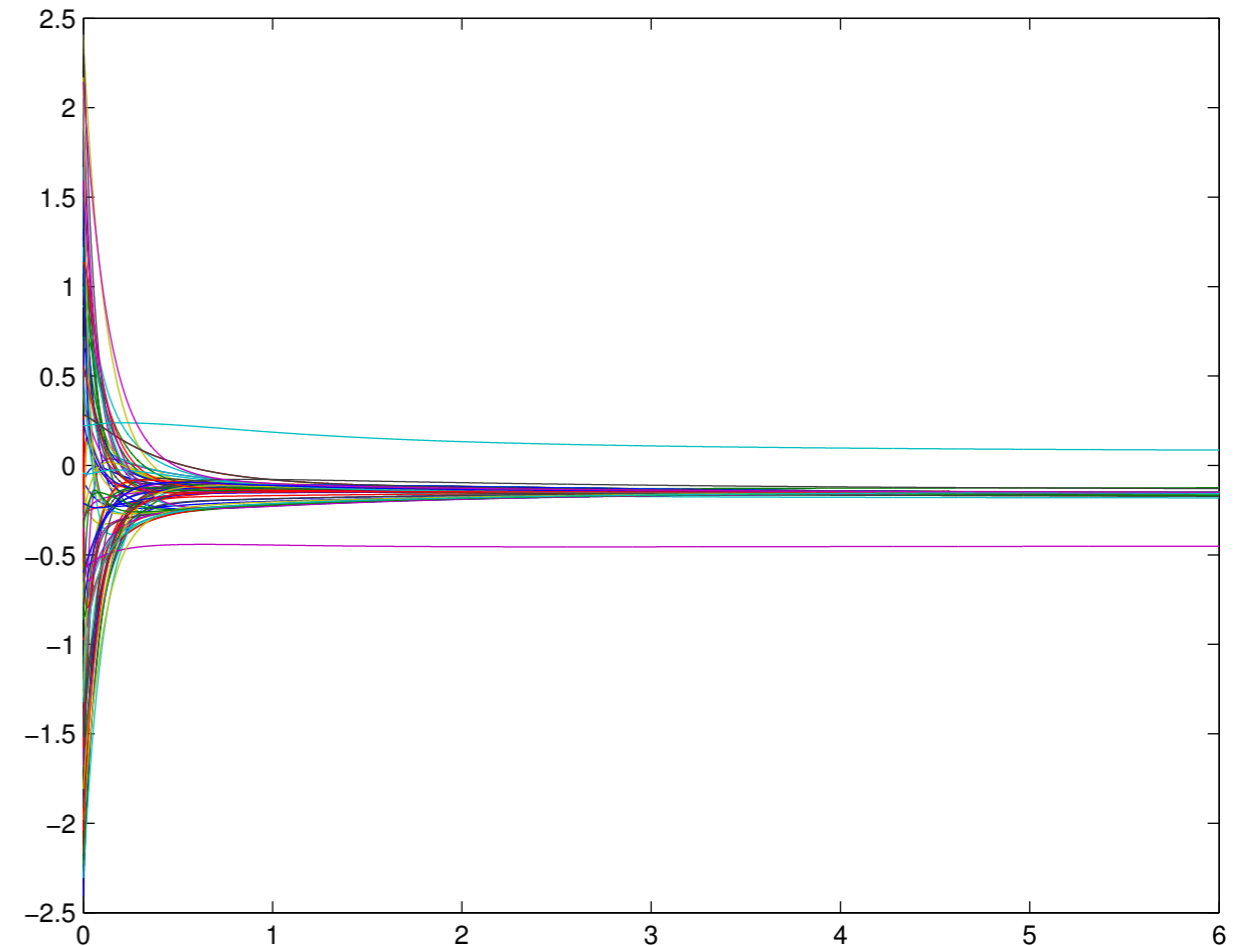


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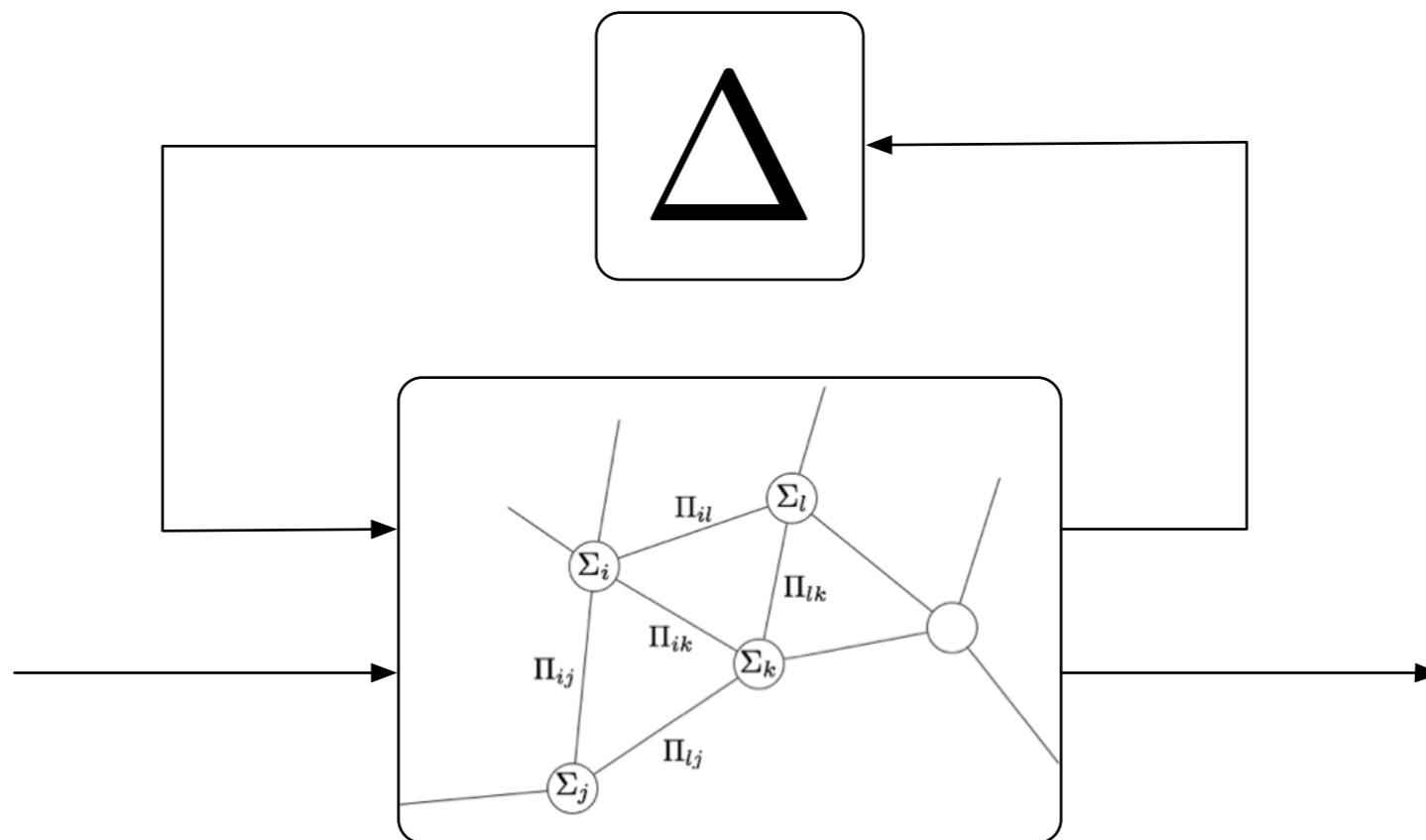


random geometric graph on 75 nodes

uncertain edge in blue



Concluding Remarks



- networked dynamic systems require new tools for robustness analysis
- graph properties have real system theoretic implications



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