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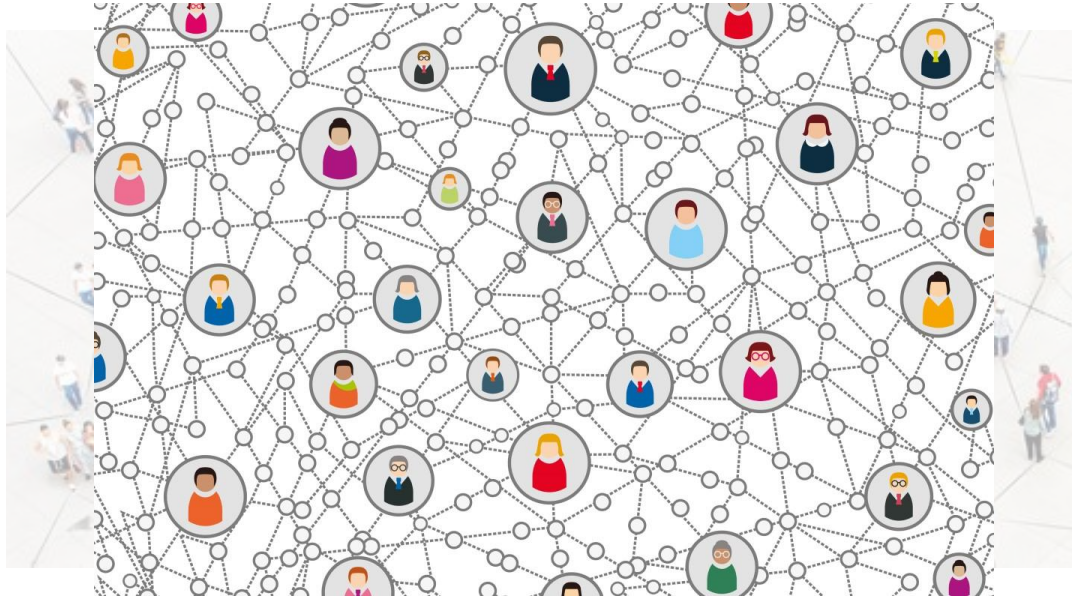
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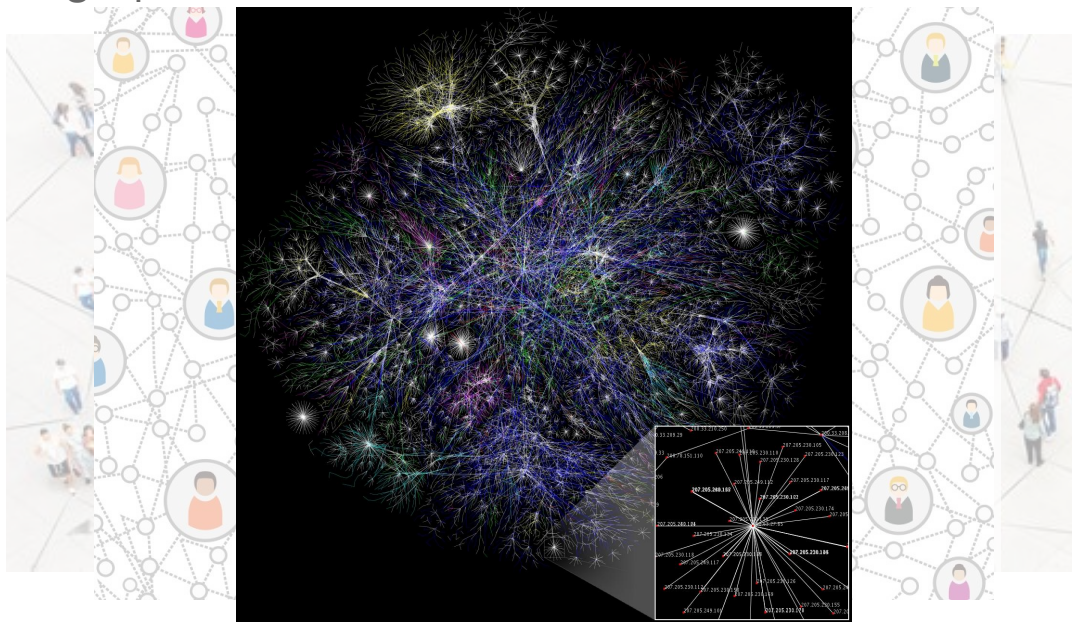
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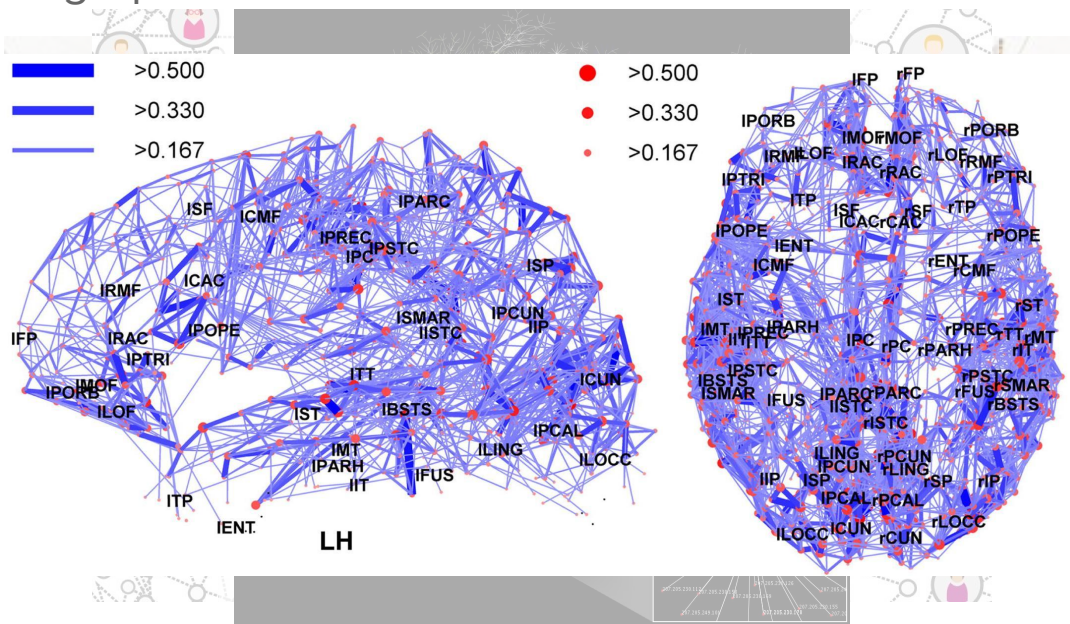
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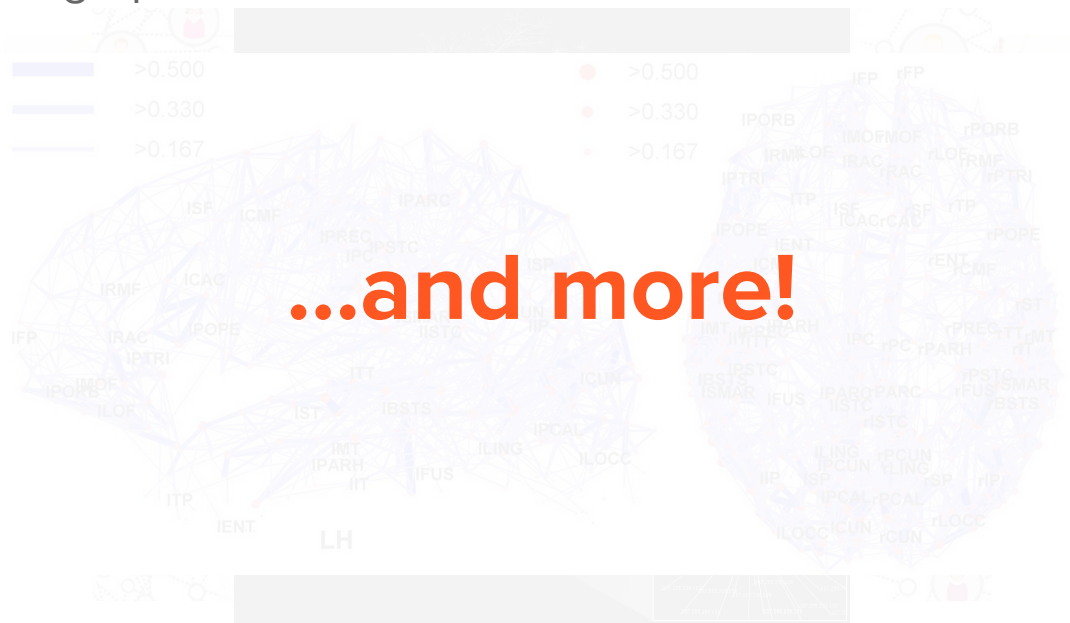
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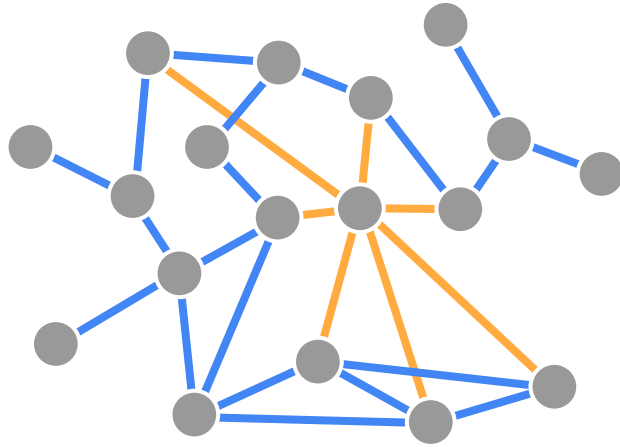
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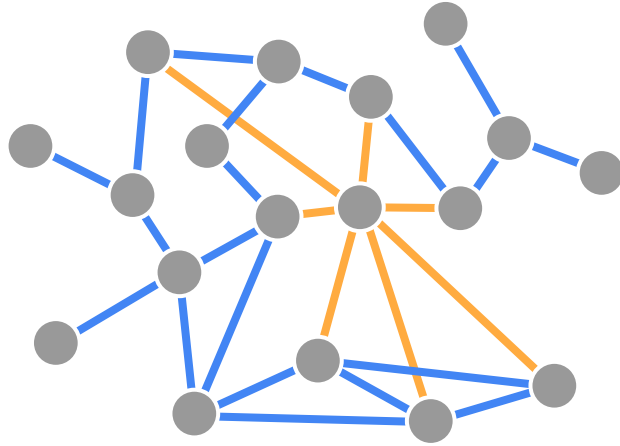
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Spectral graph theory. Eigenvector centrality. PageRank.



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Modern topics:

- graph signals
- graph symmetries
- generalizations
 - of graphs: simplicial complexes, hypergraphs
 - of matrices: tensors
- applications: synchronization, cybersecurity, epidemiology, etc
- “other” matrices e.g. non-backtracking matrix

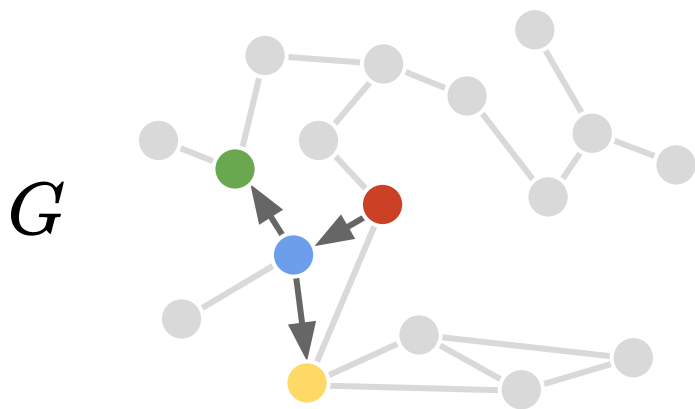
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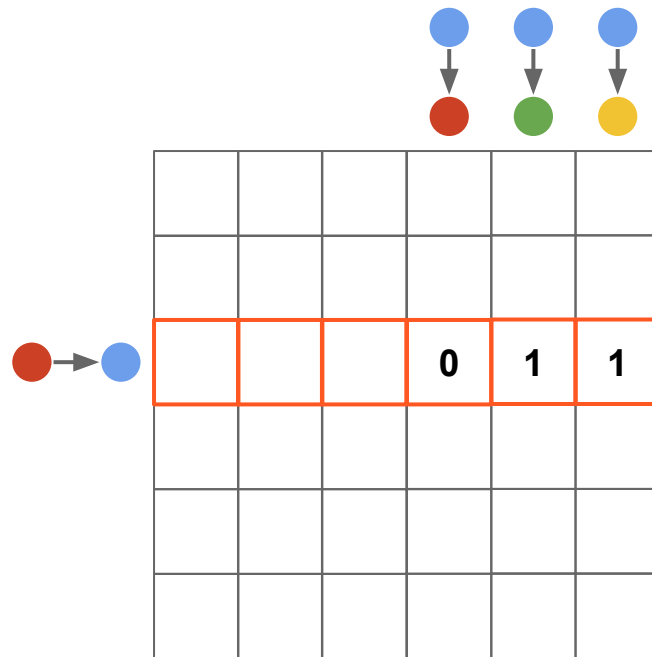


Non-backtracking Matrix



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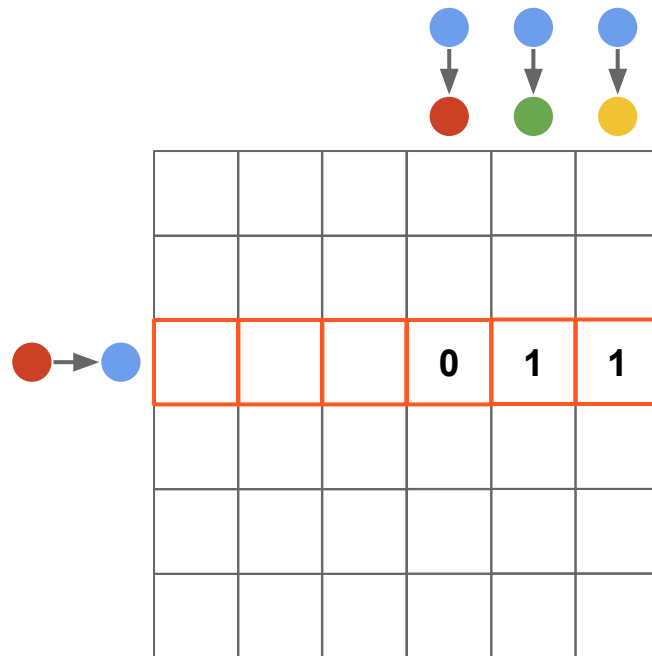
$$|E| = m$$



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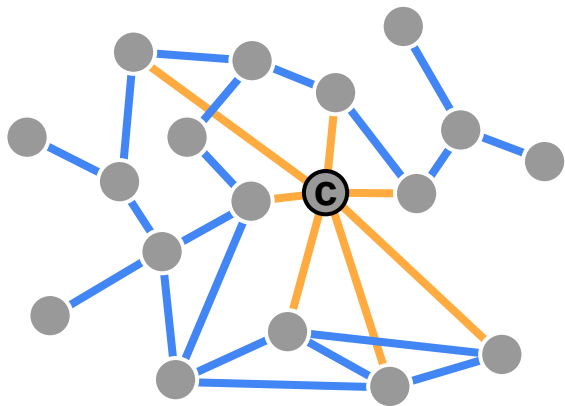
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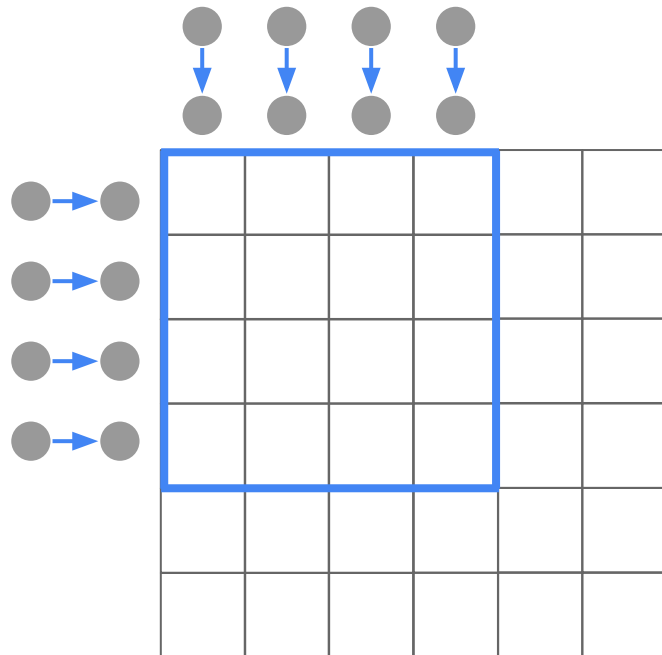
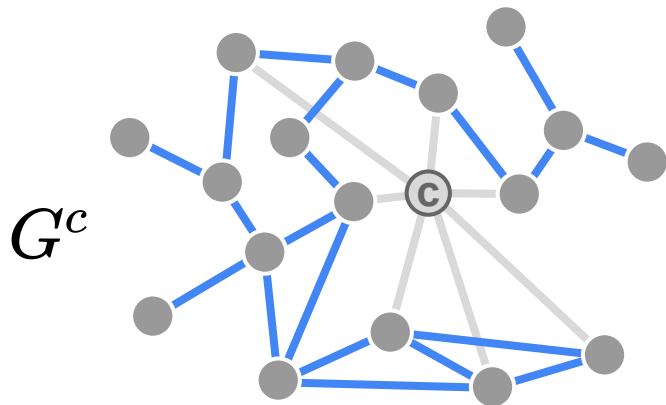
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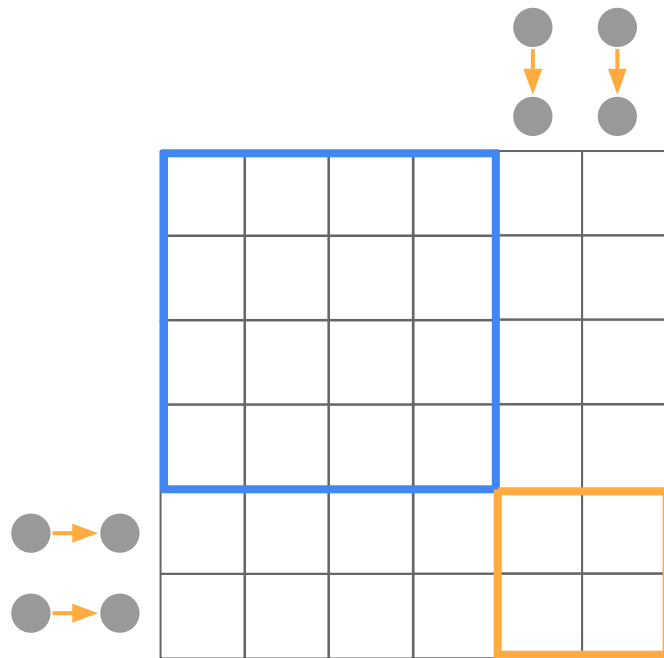
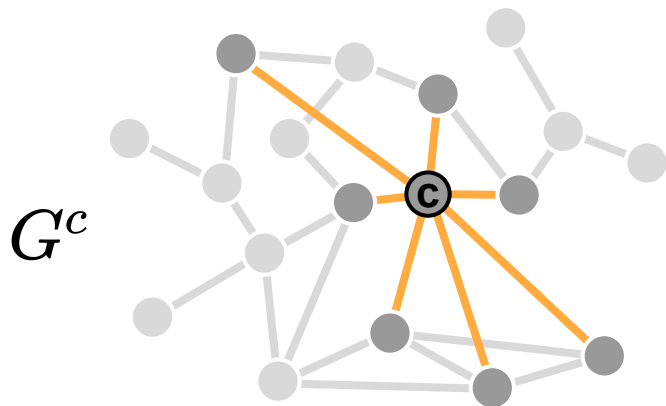
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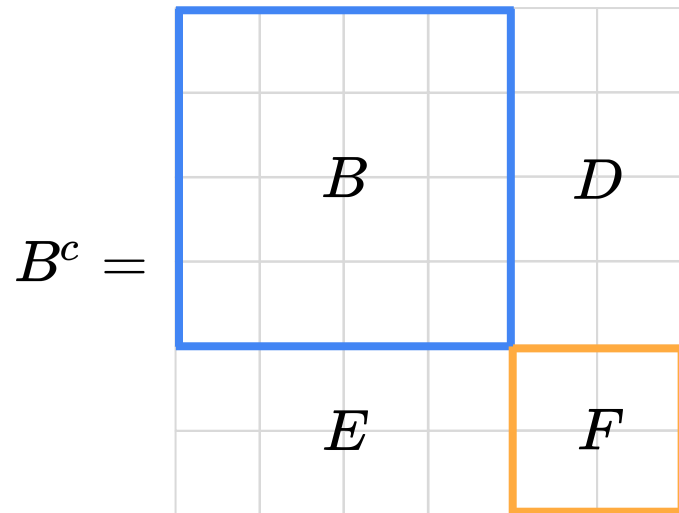
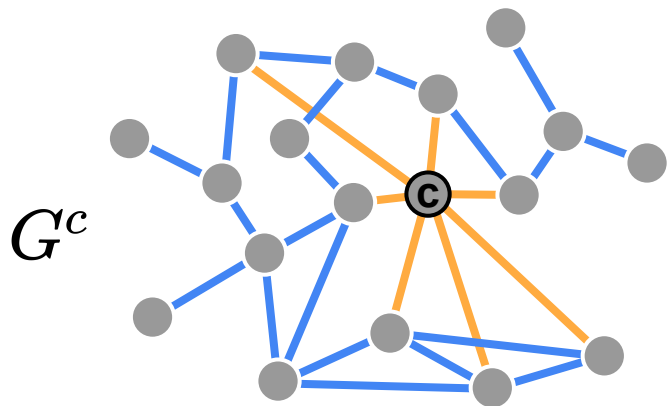
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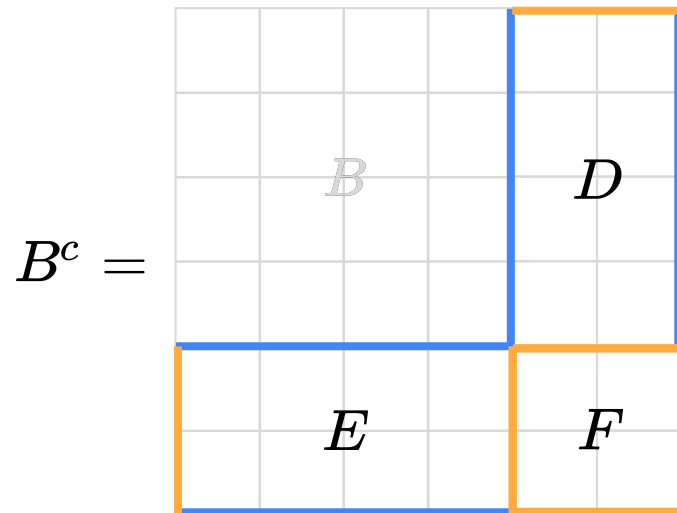
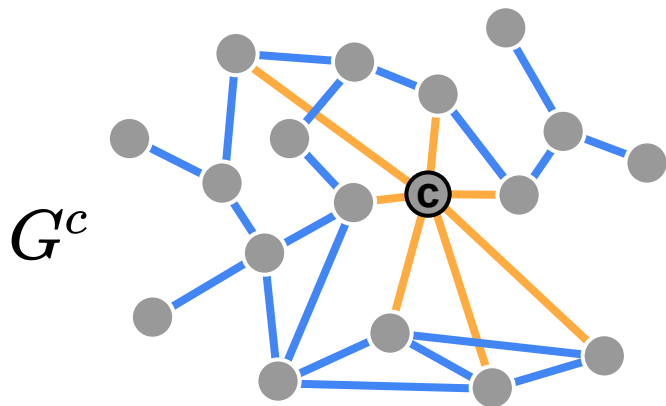
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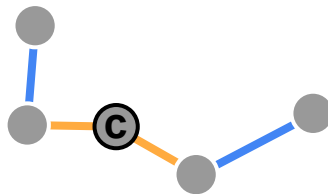
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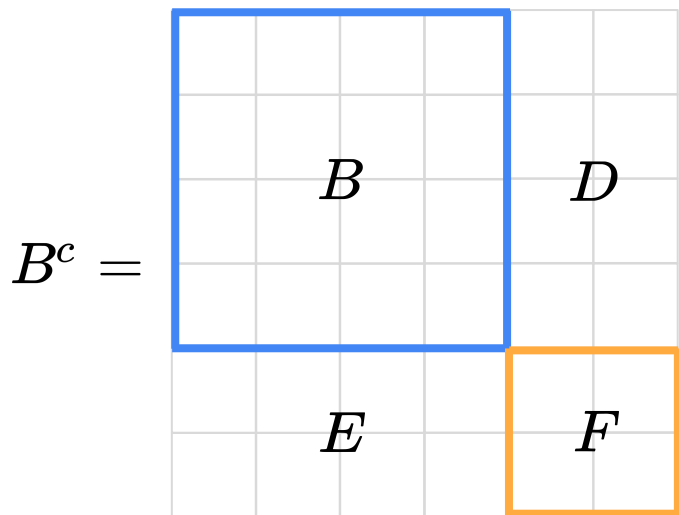
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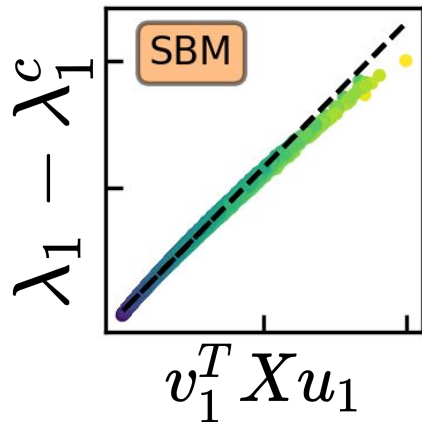
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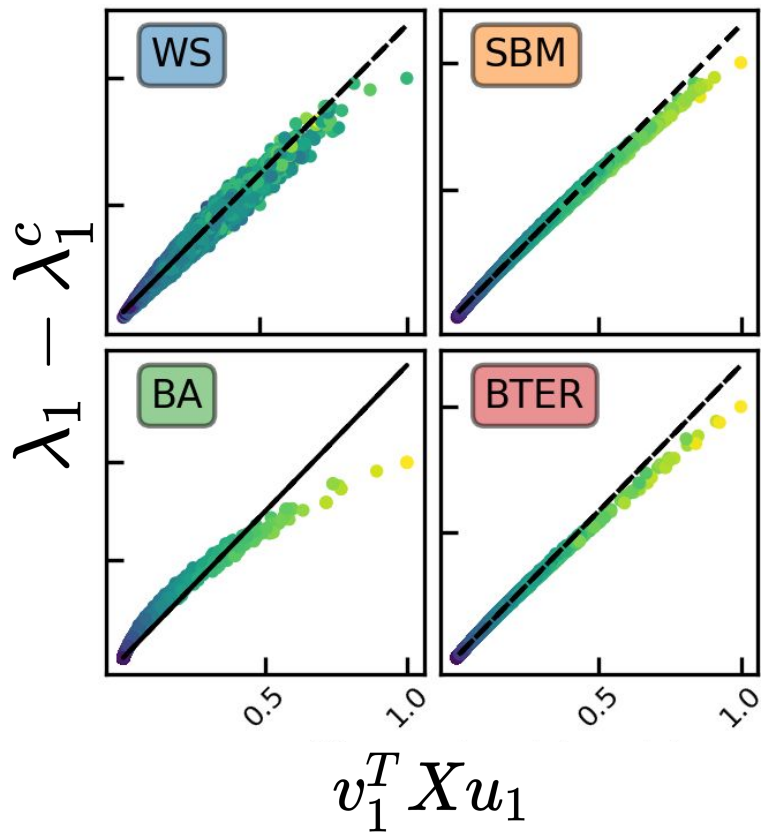
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It **decreases** by a quantity that is **correlated** to $v_1^T X u_1$

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Now what?

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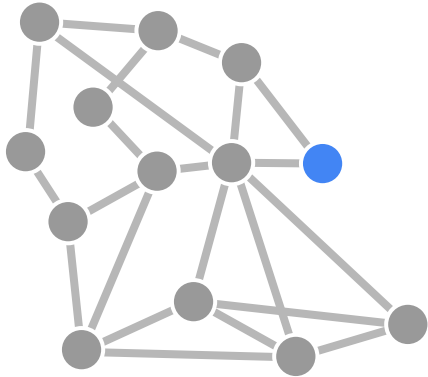
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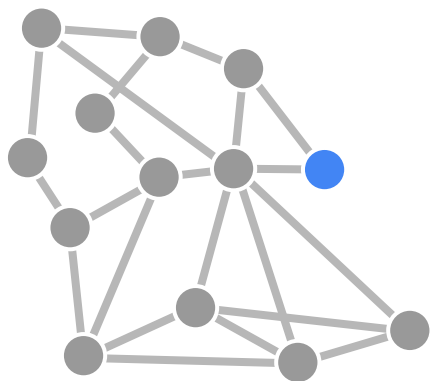
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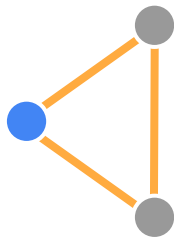


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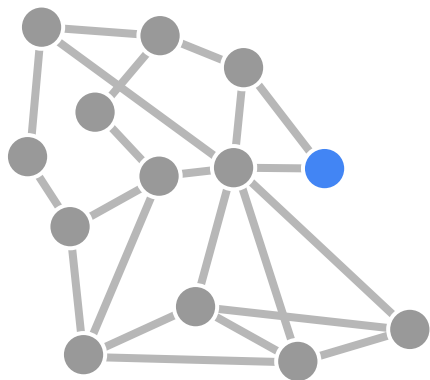


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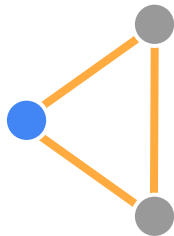


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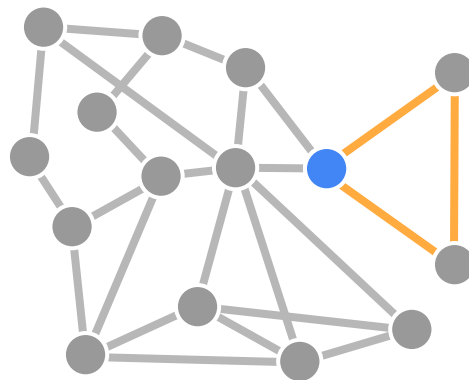
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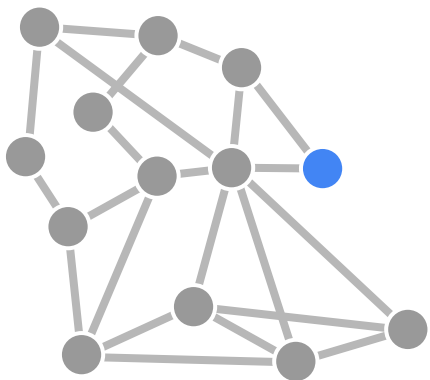


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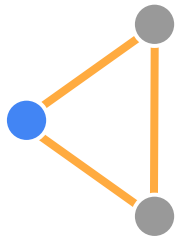


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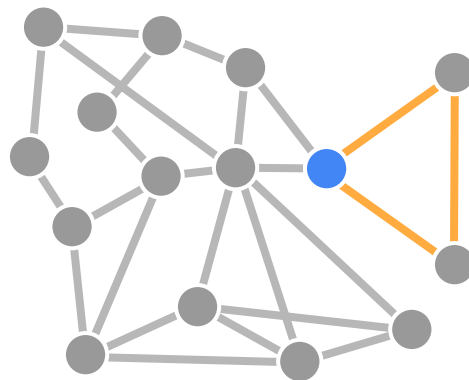
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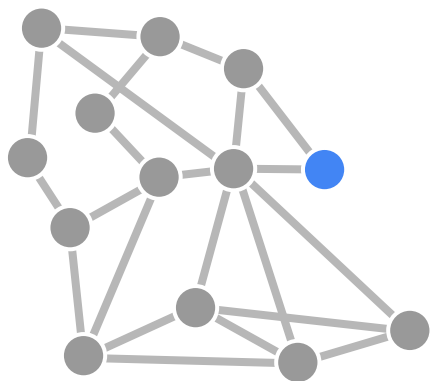
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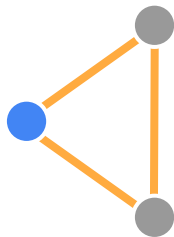
m_H

Cubic roots of unity

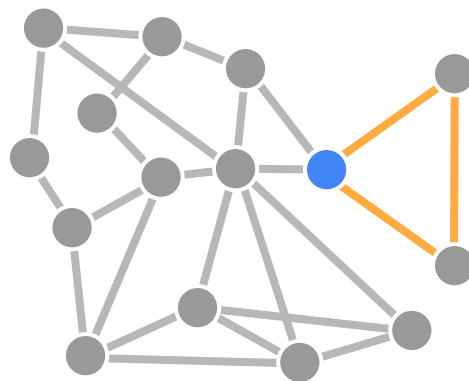
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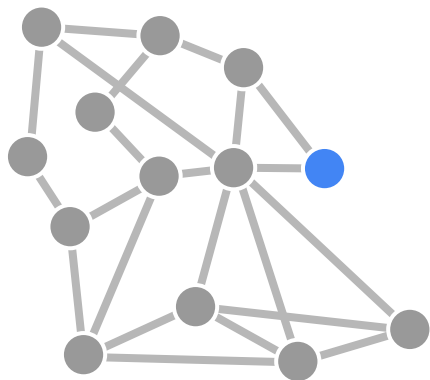
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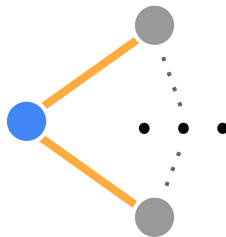
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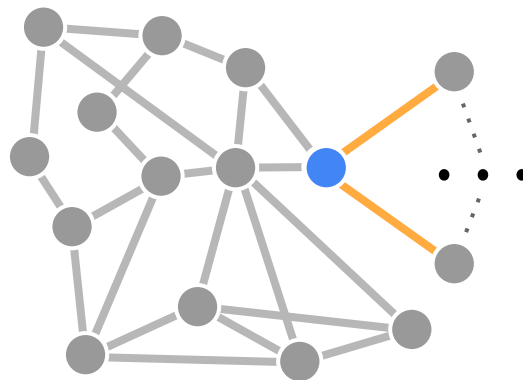
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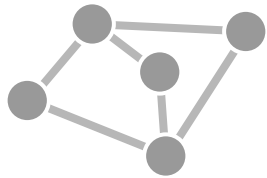
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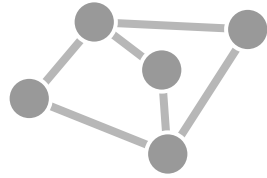
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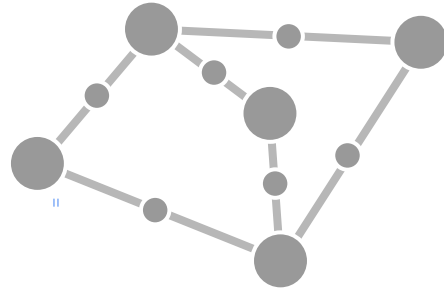


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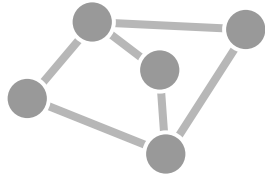


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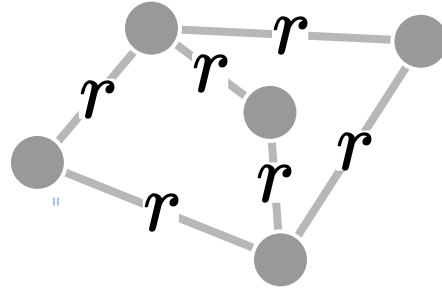


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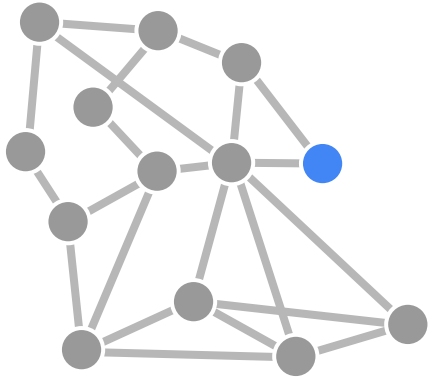


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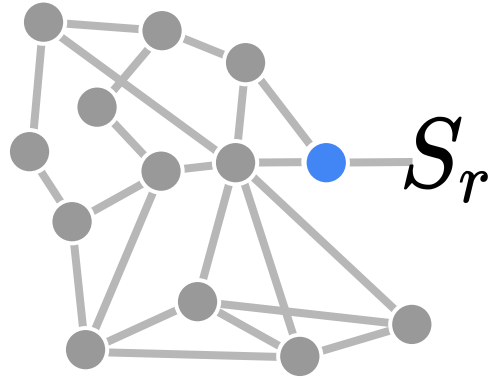
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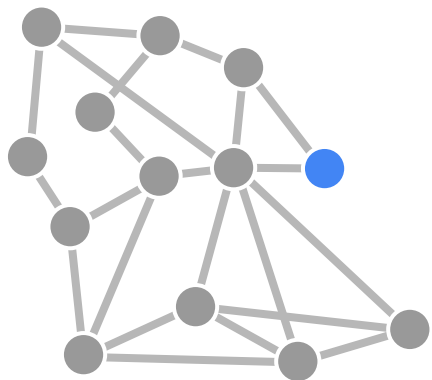
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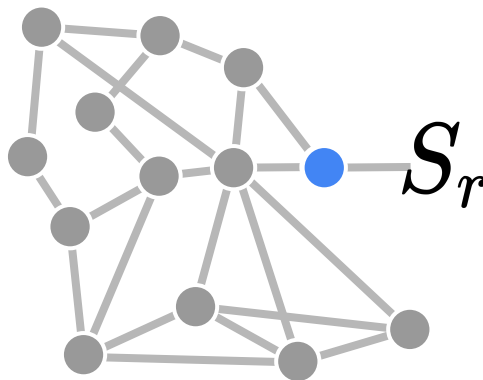
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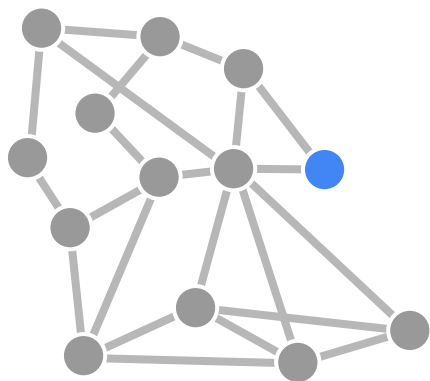
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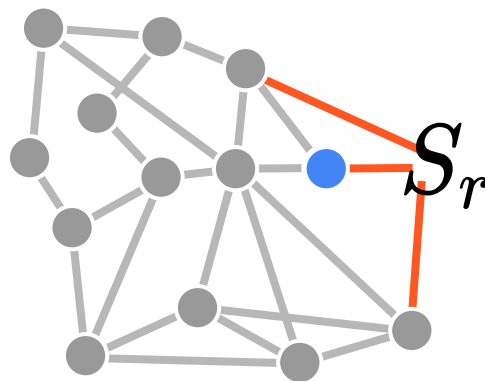
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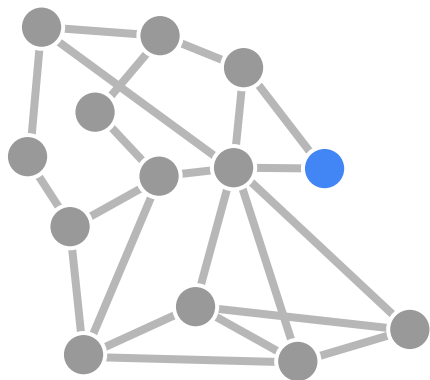
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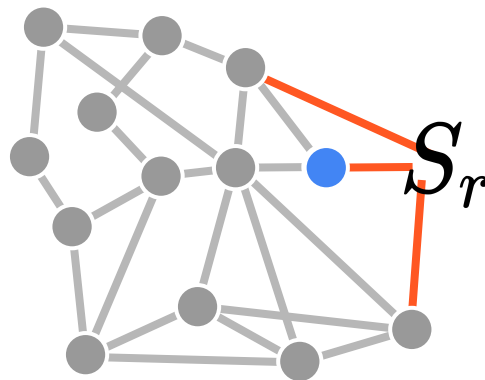
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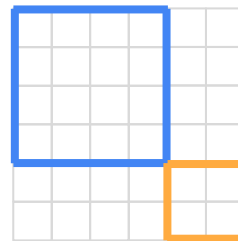
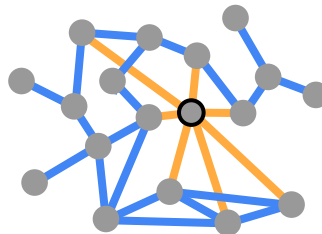
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Gracias!

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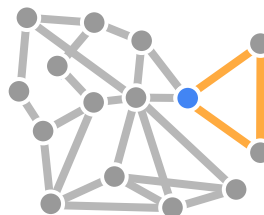
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