

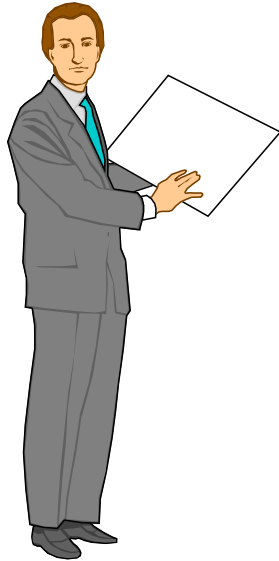
# Graph Spectra & the N-intertwined Mean-field SIS approximation on Networks

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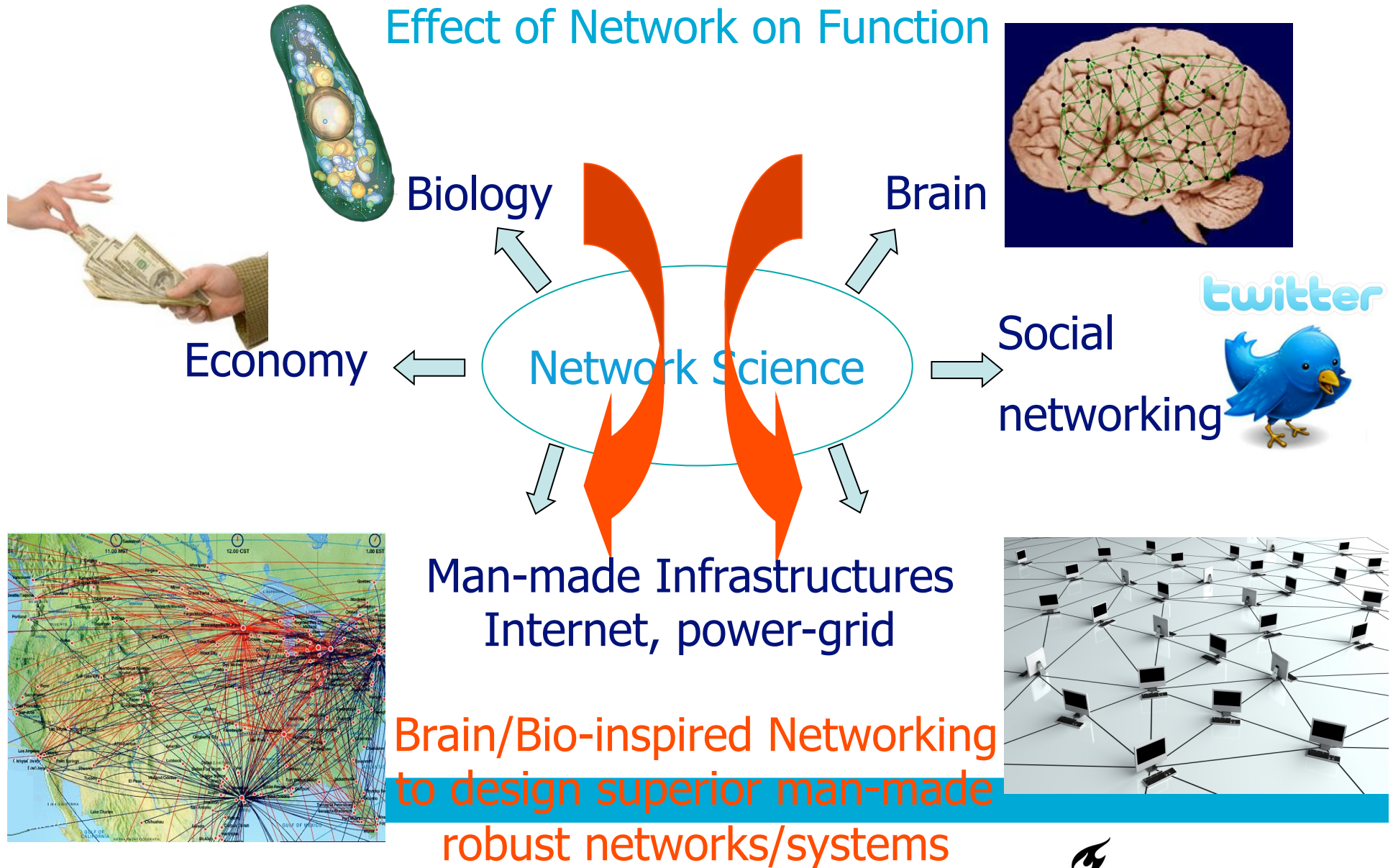
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# Effect of Network on Function

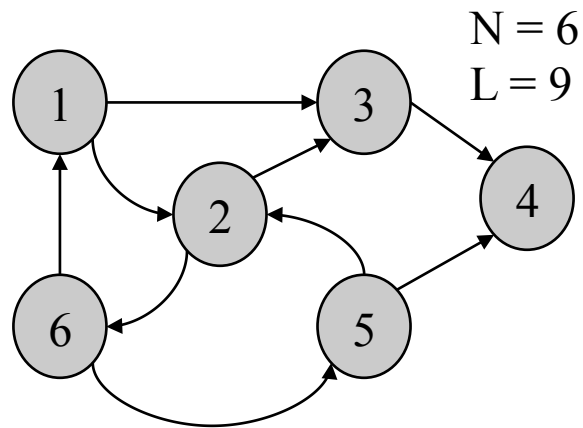


# Motivation for virus spread in networks

- **Digital world:**
  - Information spread in on-line social networks
  - security threat to Internet (Code Red worm: several billion \$ \$ in damage)
- **Real world: Biological epidemics** (e.g. Mexican flue)
- **Why do we care?**
  - Understanding the spread of a virus is the first step in prevention
  - How fast do we need to disinfect nodes so that the virus dies quickly? Which nodes?

# Algebraic graph theory

Any graph  $G$  can be represented by an adjacency matrix  $A$  and an incidence matrix  $B$ , and a Laplacian  $Q$



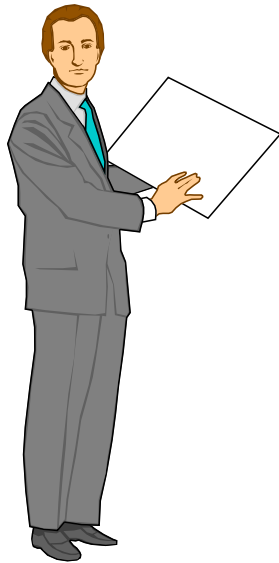
$$B_{N \times L} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & -1 & \dots & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 0 & & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 & & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A_{N \times N} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = A^T$$

$$Q = BB^T = \Delta - A$$

$$\Delta = \text{diag}(d_1 \quad d_2 \quad \dots \quad d_N)$$

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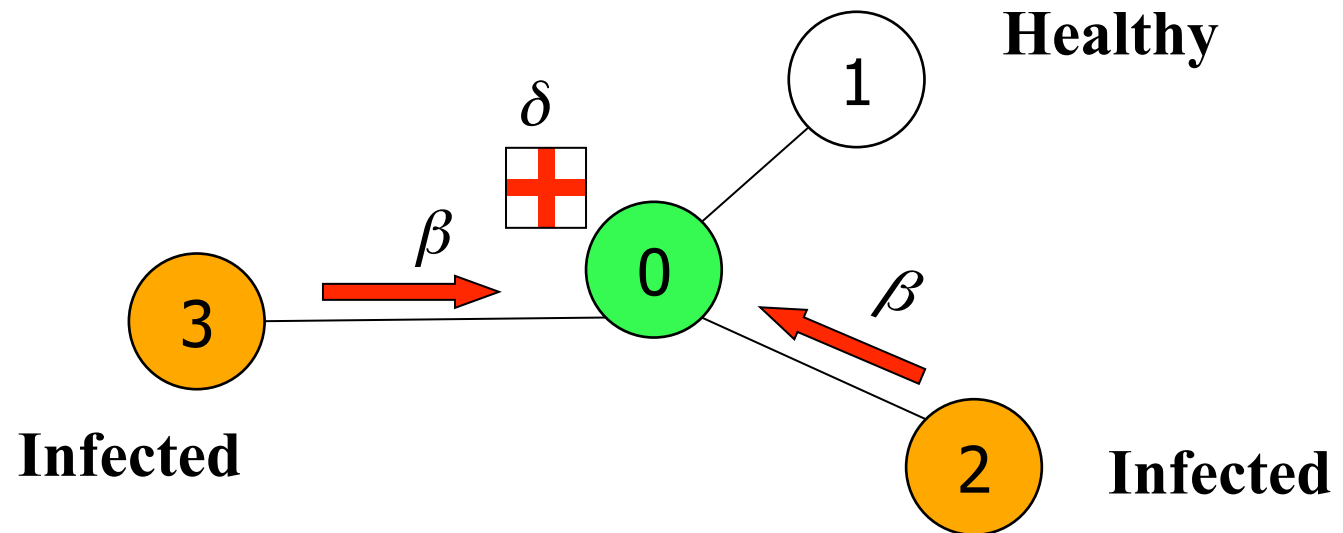
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# Simple SIS model

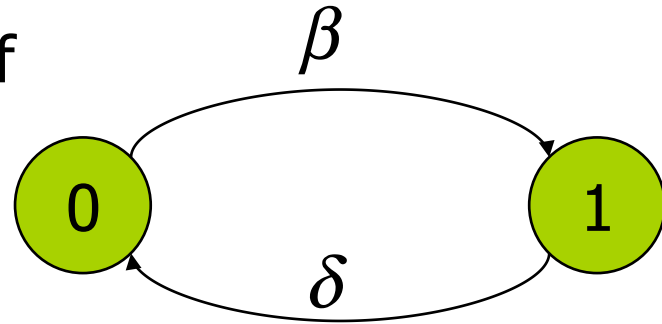
- Homogeneous birth (infection) rate  $\beta$  on all edges between infected and susceptible nodes
- Homogeneous death (curing) rate  $\delta$  for infected nodes

$\tau = \beta / \delta$  : effective spreading rate



# Definition of the states in SIS

- Each node  $j$  can be in either of the two states:
  - “0”: healthy
  - “1”: infected



- **Markov continuous time:**

- infection rate  $\beta$
- curing rate  $\delta$

- Mathematically:

- $X_j$  is the state of node  $j$

- infinitesimal generator  $Q_j(t) = \begin{bmatrix} -q_{1j} & q_{1j} \\ q_{2j} & -q_{2j} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -q_{1j} & q_{1j} \\ \delta & -\delta \end{bmatrix}$



## Governing SIS equation for node $j$

$$\frac{dE[X_j]}{dt} = E \left[ -\delta X_j + (1 - X_j) \beta \sum_{k=1}^N a_{kj} X_k \right]$$



time-change of  
 $E[X_j] = \Pr[X_j = 1]$ ,  
 probability that  
 node  $j$  is infected



if *infected*:  
 probability of  
 curing per  
 unit time



if *not infected (healthy)*:  
 probability of  
 infection per  
 unit time

$$\frac{dE[X_j]}{dt} = -\delta E[X_j] + \beta \sum_{k=1}^N a_{kj} E[X_k] - \beta \sum_{k=1}^N a_{kj} E[X_j X_k]$$

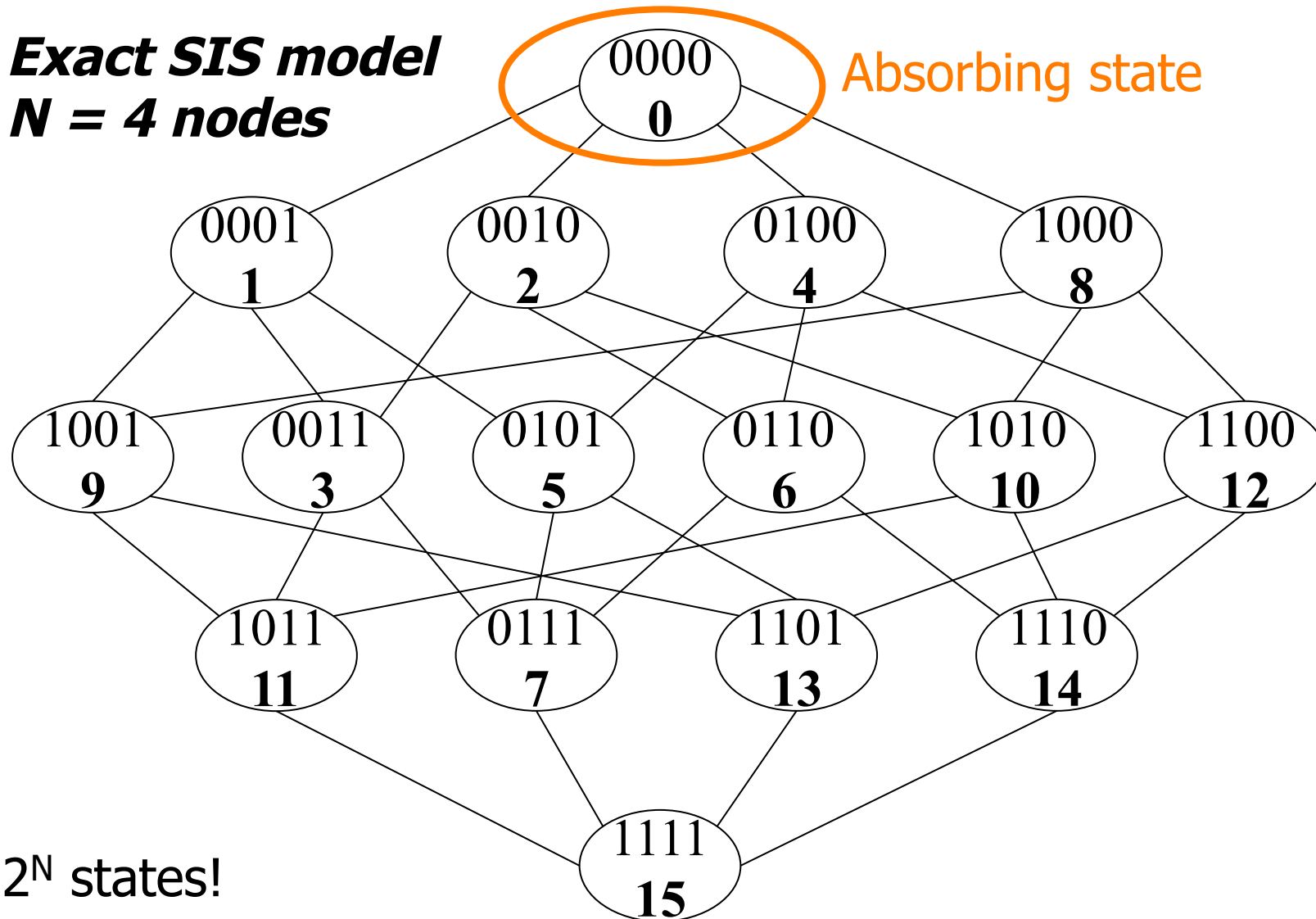
# Joint probabilities

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dE[X_i X_j]}{dt} &= E \left[ -2\delta X_i X_j + X_j \beta (1 - X_i) \sum_{k=1}^N a_{ik} X_k + X_i \beta (1 - X_j) \sum_{k=1}^N a_{jk} X_k \right] \\ &= -2\delta E[X_i X_j] + \beta \sum_{k=1}^N a_{ik} E[X_j X_k] + \beta \sum_{k=1}^N a_{jk} E[X_i X_k] - \beta \sum_{k=1}^N (a_{jk} + a_{ik}) E[X_i X_j X_k] \end{aligned}$$

Next, we need the  $\binom{N}{3}$  differential equations for  $E[X_i X_j X_k] \dots$

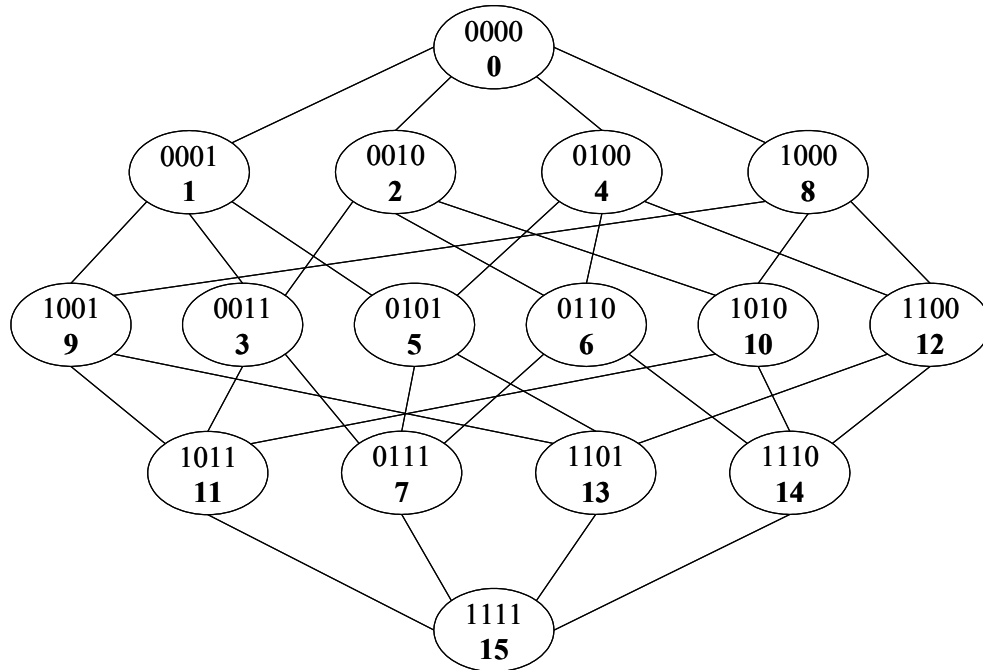
In total, the SIS process is defined by  $2^N = \sum_{k=1}^N \binom{N}{k} + 1$  linear equations

**Exact SIS model**  
 **$N = 4$  nodes**

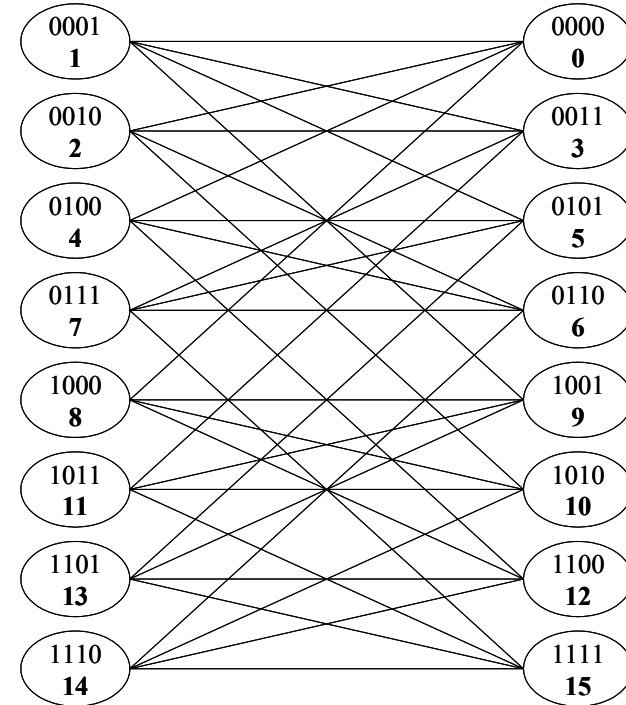


$2^N$  states!

# Markov theory



bi-partite Markov graph

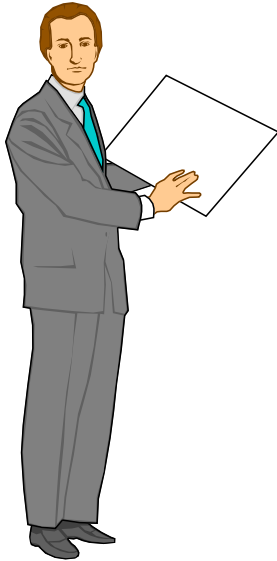


Recursive structure of infinitesimal general  $Q_N$

# Markov Theory

- SIS model is exactly described as a continuous-time Markov process on  $2^N$  states, with infinitesimal generator  $Q_N$ .
- **Drawbacks:**
  - no easy structure in  $Q_N$
  - computationally intractable for  $N > 20$
  - steady-state is the absorbing state (reached after unrealistically long time)
  - very few exact results...
- The mathematical community (e.g. Liggett, Durrett,...) uses:
  - duality principle & coupling & asymptotics
  - graphical representation of the Poisson infection and recovery events

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# N-intertwined mean-field approximation

$$\frac{dE[X_j]}{dt} = -\delta E[X_j] + \beta \sum_{k=1}^N a_{kj} E[X_k] - \beta \sum_{k=1}^N a_{kj} E[X_j X_k]$$

$$E[X_j X_k] = \Pr[X_j = 1, X_k = 1] = \Pr[X_j = 1 | X_k = 1] \Pr[X_k = 1] \quad \text{and} \quad \Pr[X_j = 1 | X_k = 1] \geq \Pr[X_j = 1]$$

$$\longrightarrow E[X_i X_k] \geq \Pr[X_i = 1] \Pr[X_k = 1] = E[X_i] E[X_k]$$

$$\frac{dE[X_j]}{dt} \leq -\delta E[X_j] + \beta \sum_{k=1}^N a_{kj} E[X_k] - \beta E[X_j] \sum_{k=1}^N a_{kj} E[X_k]$$

N-intertwined mean-field approx. (= equality above)  
**upper bounds** the probability of infection

# N-intertwined non-linear equations

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \frac{dv_1}{dt} = (1-v_1)\beta \sum_{k=1}^N a_{1k}v_k - \delta v_1 \\ \frac{dv_2}{dt} = (1-v_2)\beta \sum_{k=1}^N a_{2k}v_k - \delta v_2 \\ \vdots \\ \frac{dv_N}{dt} = (1-v_N)\beta \sum_{k=1}^N a_{Nk}v_k - \delta v_N \end{array} \right.$$

where the viral probability of infection is

$$v_k(t) = E[X_k(t)] = \Pr[X_k(t) = 1]$$

In matrix form:

$$\frac{dV(t)}{dt} = \beta A \cdot V(t) - \text{diag}(v_i(t))(\beta A \cdot V(t) + \delta u)$$

where the vector  $u^T = [1 \ 1 \ \dots \ 1]$  and  $V^T = [v_1 \ v_2 \ \dots \ v_N]$



# Lower bound for the epidemic threshold

$$\frac{dv_j(t)}{dt} = -\delta v_j + \beta \sum_{k=1}^N a_{kj} v_k - \beta \sum_{k=1}^N a_{kj} E[X_i X_k] \quad v_k(t) = E[X_k(t)]$$

Is the point  $V = 0$  stable?

For a very few infected nodes, we can ignore the quadratic terms

$$\frac{dV(t)}{dt} = (-\delta I + \beta A)V(t)$$

The origin  $V=0$  is stable attractor if all eigenvalues of  $\beta A - \delta I$  are negative ( $v_j$  tends exponentially fast to zero with  $t$ ). Hence, if

$$\beta \lambda_1(A) - \delta < 0 \quad \longrightarrow \quad \tau = \frac{\beta}{\delta} < \frac{1}{\lambda_1(A)} < \tau_c$$

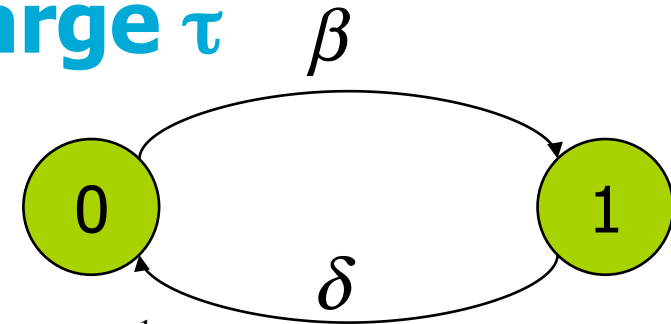
The N-intertwined mean-field epidemic threshold is precisely

$$\tau_c^{(1)} = \frac{1}{\lambda_1(A)} < \tau_c$$

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# Exact in steady-state for large $\tau$

Almost all neighbors of node  $j$  are infected: independence



$$\Pr[X_j = 1] \cong \frac{\beta d_j}{\delta + \beta d_j} = \left(1 + \frac{1}{\tau d_j}\right)^{-1} = \left(1 + \frac{s}{d_j}\right)^{-1}$$

Exact steady-state fraction of infected nodes:

$$y_\infty(s) \cong \frac{1}{N} \sum_{j=1}^N \Pr[X_j = 1] = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{j=1}^N \left(1 + \frac{s}{d_j}\right)^{-1}$$

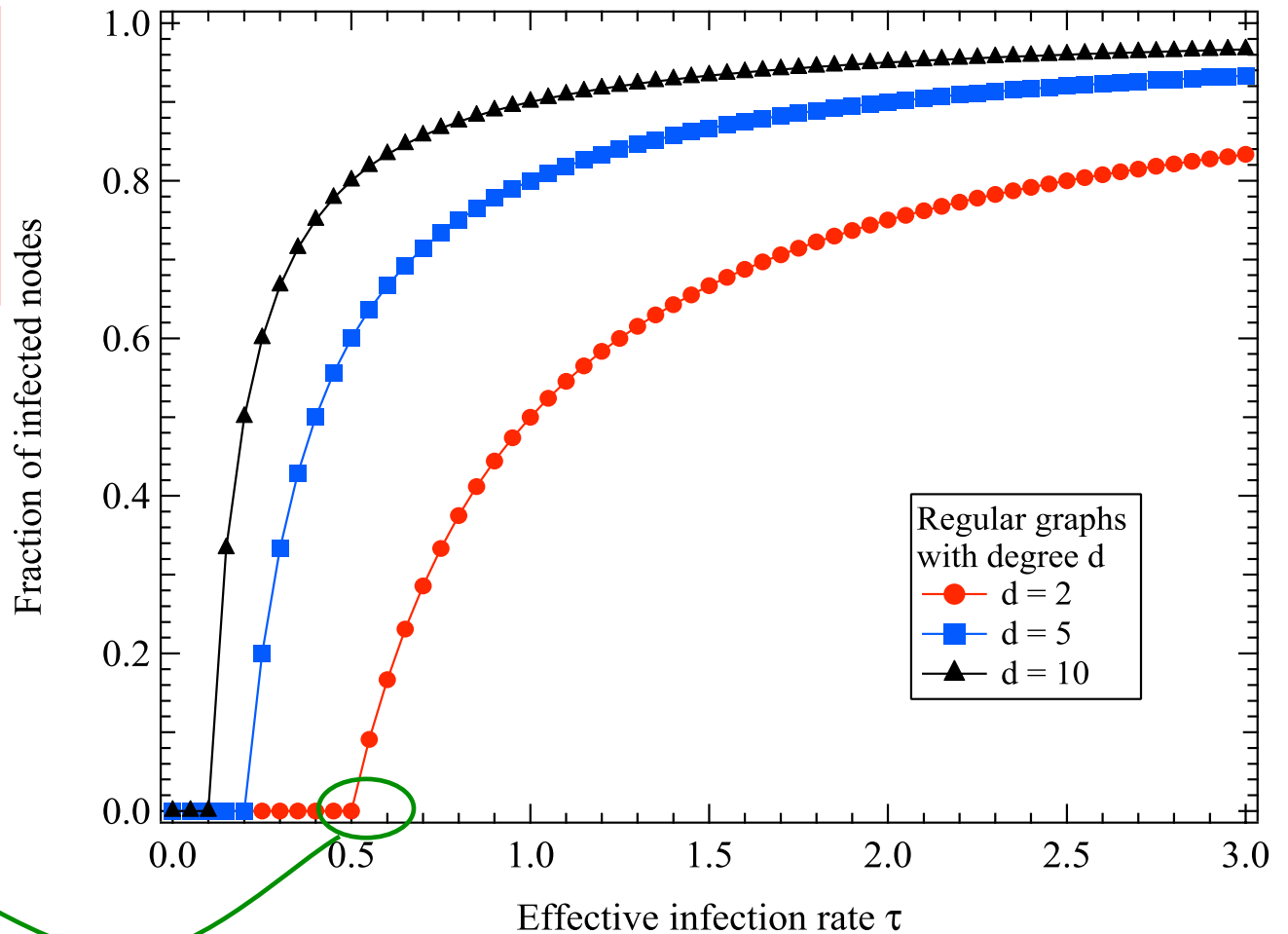
Slope:  $\left. \frac{dy_\infty(s)}{ds} \right|_{s=0} = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{j=1}^N \frac{1}{d_j} = E\left[\frac{1}{D}\right]$

# What is so interesting about epidemics?

$\beta$  : infection rate per link  
 $\delta$  : curing rate per node  
 $\tau = \beta / \delta$  : effective spreading rate

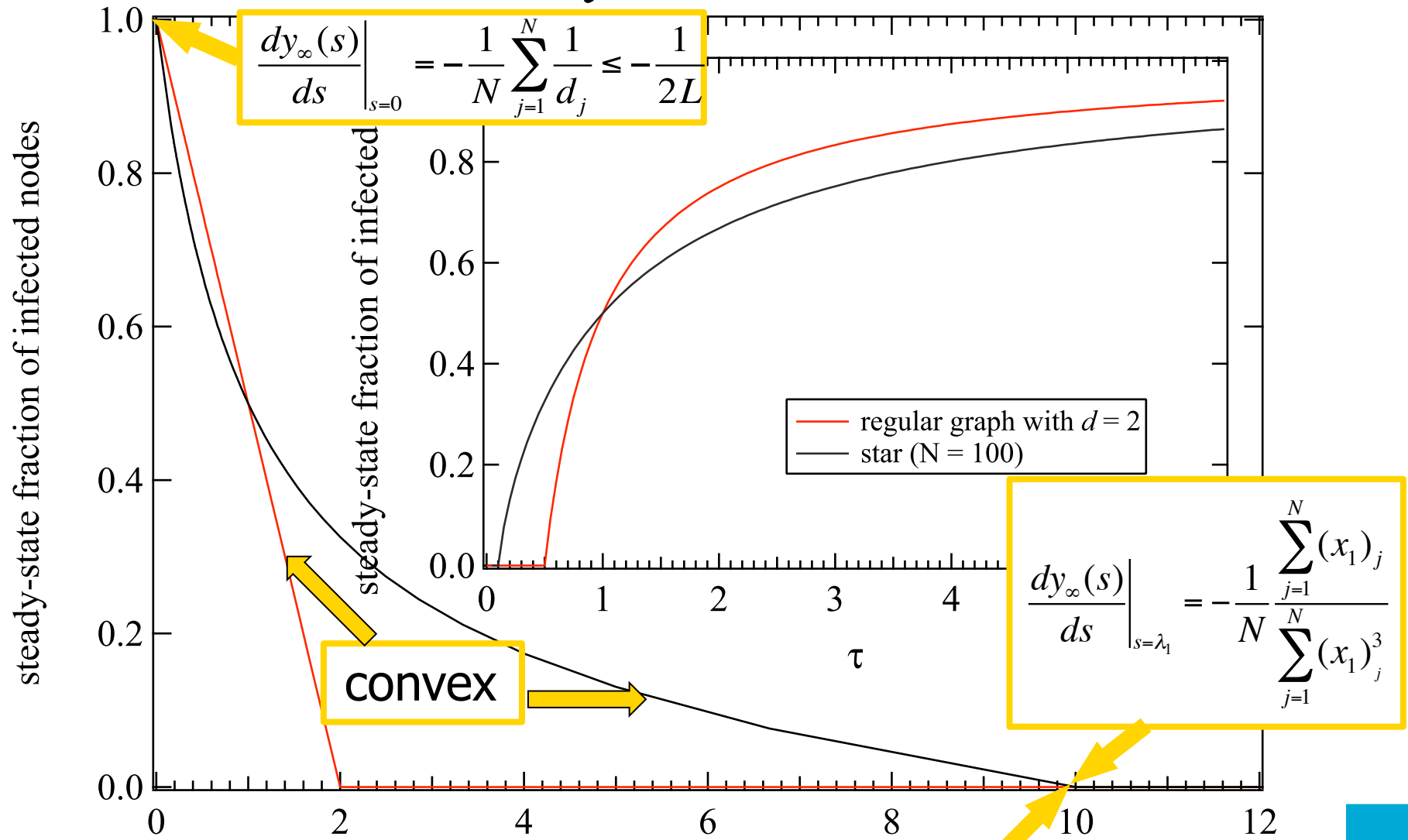
- Final epidemic state
- Rate of propagation
- Epidemic threshold

$$\tau_c = \frac{1}{\lambda_1(A)}$$



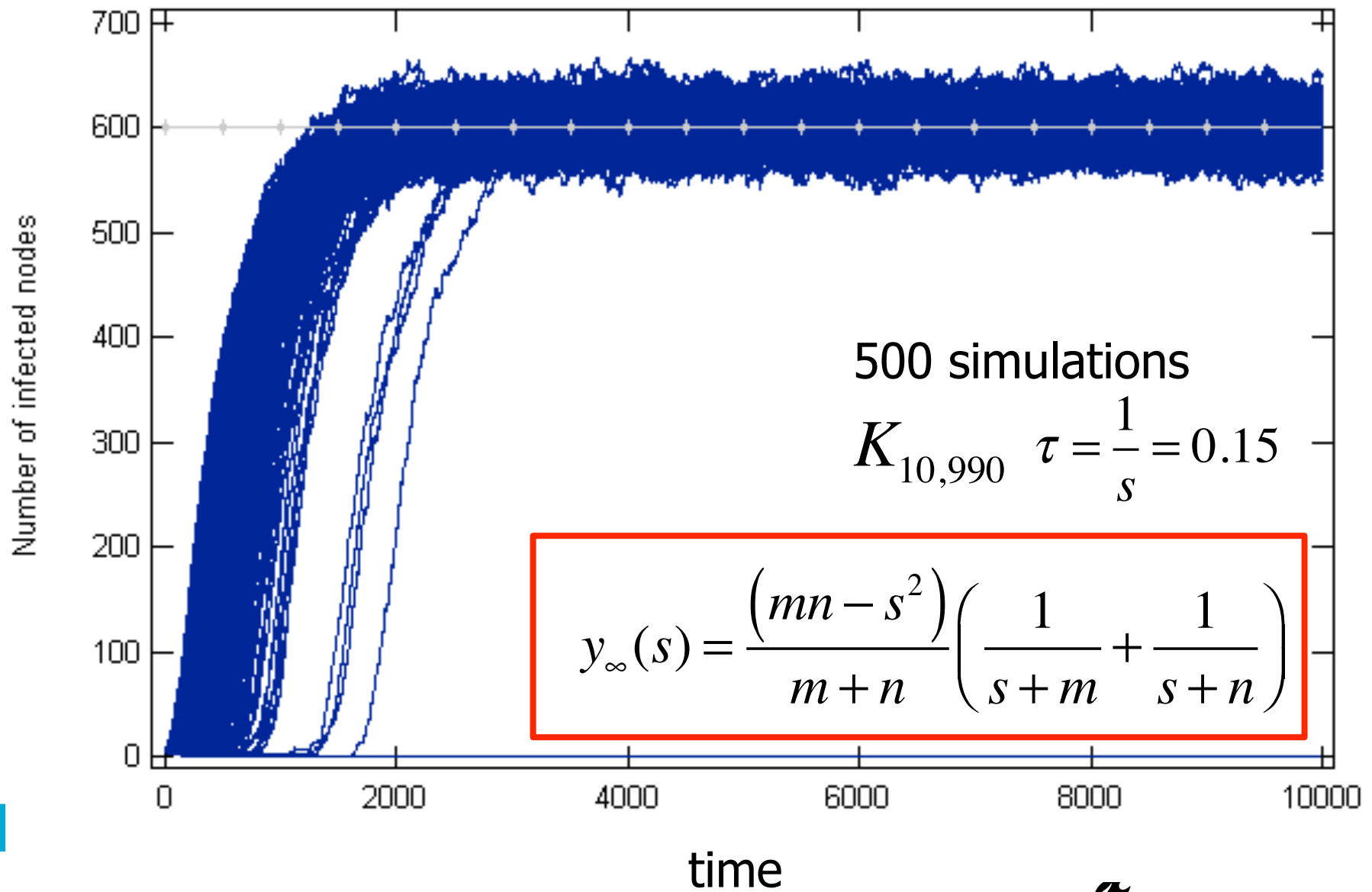
$$\max \left( E[D] \sqrt{1 + \frac{Var[D]}{(E[D])^2}}, \sqrt{d_{\max}} \right) \leq \lambda_1(A) \leq d_{\max}$$

# Transformation $s = \frac{1}{\tau}$ & principal eigenvector

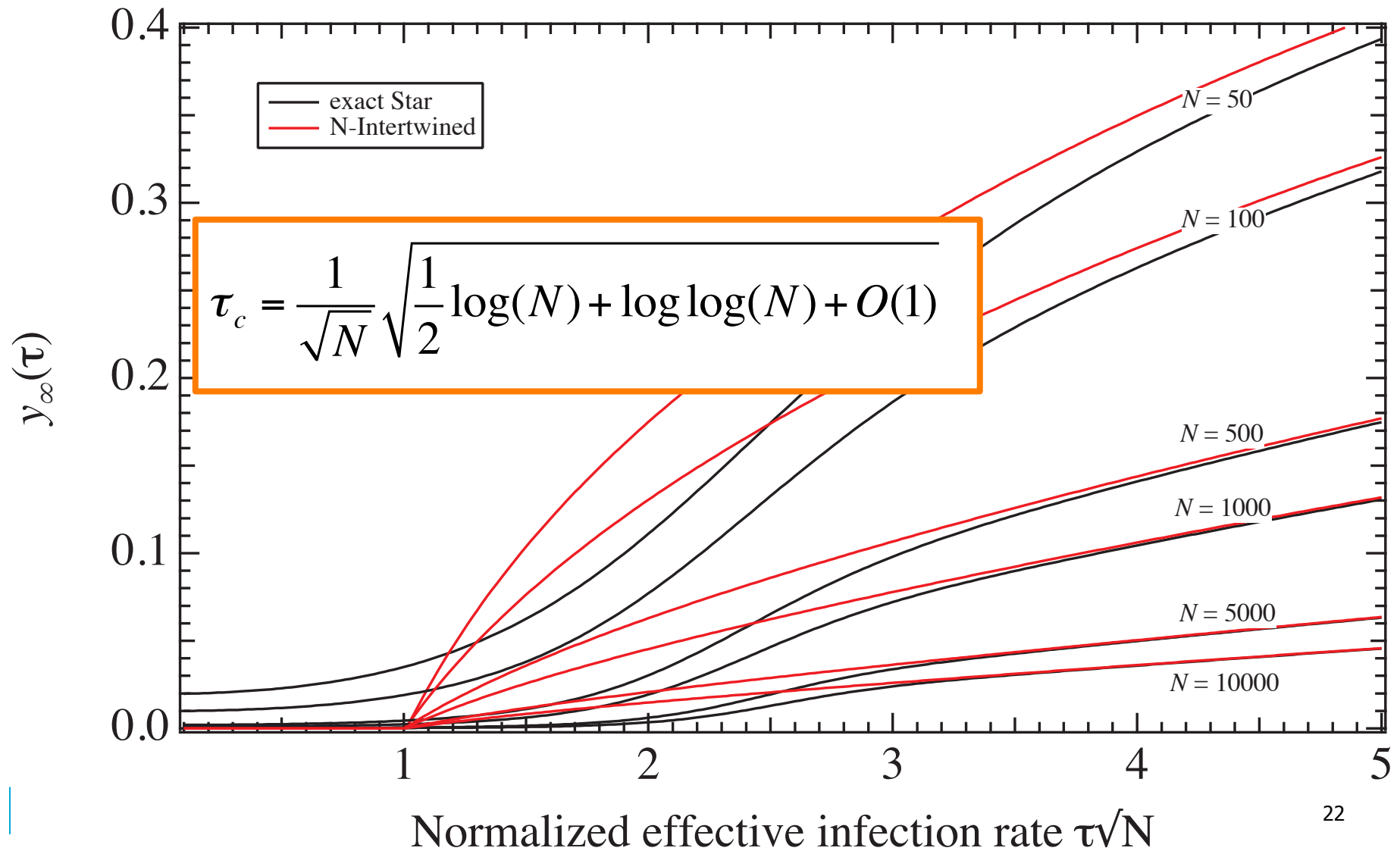


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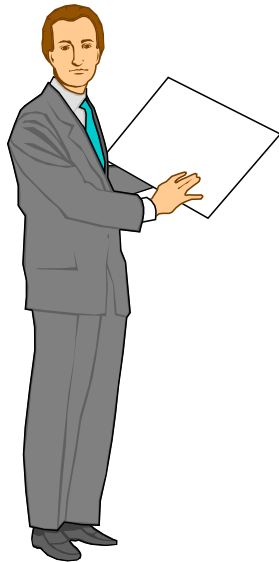
# Simulations



# Star graph



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# Heterogeneous virus spread

- The  $N$ -intertwined model is extended to a heterogeneous setting:

$$\frac{dV(t)}{dt} = A \text{diag}(\beta_i) V(t) - \text{diag}(v_i(t)) (A \text{diag}(\beta_i) V(t) + C)$$

where the curing rate vector  $C^\top = [\delta_1 \delta_2 \dots \delta_N]$

- *Results:*

- Extended multi-dim. threshold for virus spread
- Generalized Laplacian that extends the classical Laplacian of a graph:

$$Q(q_k) = \text{diag}(q_k) - A$$

- Strong convexity  $v_k$  with respect to  $\delta_k$ , concave with respect to others  $\delta_j$  ( $j$  different from  $k$ ).
- Choose  $C$  vector in network protection via game theory



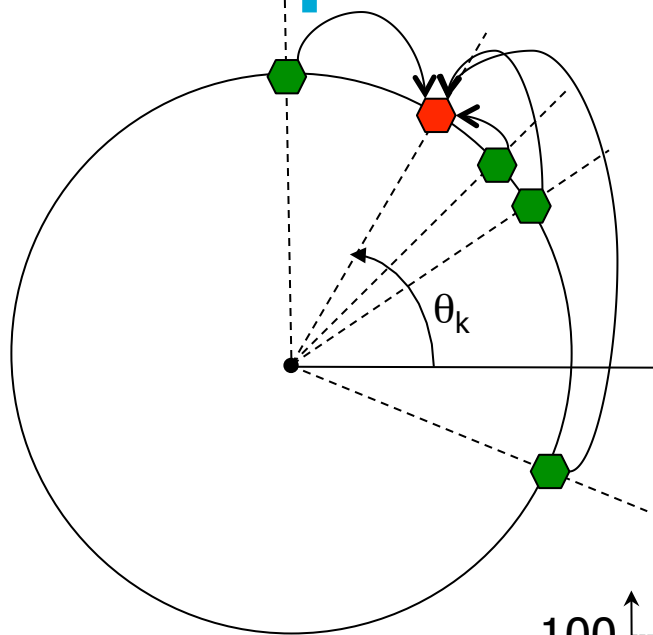
# Extensions of the N-intertwined model

- SAIS instead of SIS:
  - From 2 states (Infected and Susceptible) to a 3-states (Infected, Susceptible, Alert)
  - "Epidemic Spread in Human Networks", F. Darabi Sahneh and C. Scoglio, 50<sup>th</sup> IEEE Conf. Decision and Control, Orlando, Florida (2011)
- SIR instead of SIS:
  - "An individual-based approach to SIR epidemics in contact networks", M. Youssef and C. Scoglio, Journal of Theoretical Biology 283, pp. 136-144, (2011).
- Very general extension: m compartments (includes both SIS, SAIS, SIR,...):
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# Affecting the epidemic threshold

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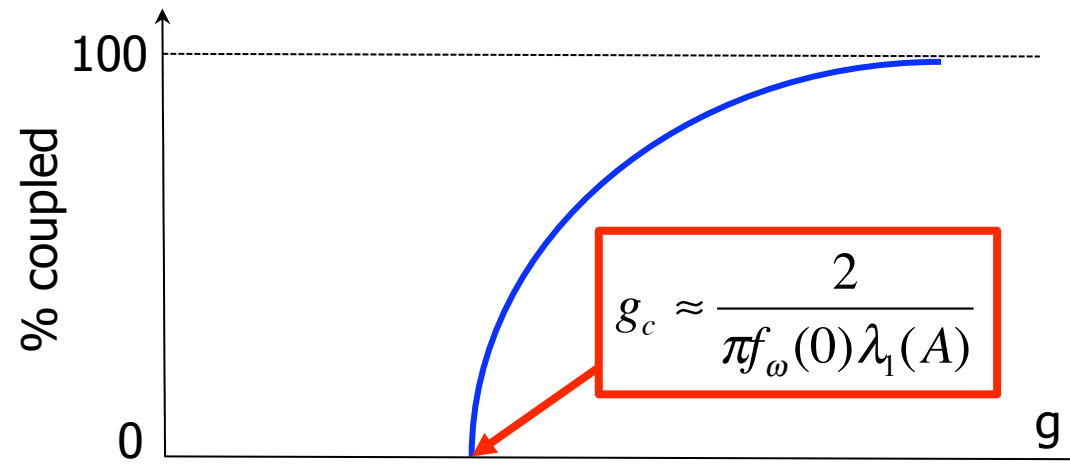
# Coupled oscillators (Kuramoto model)



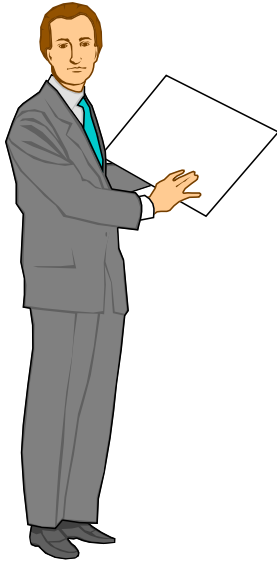
Interaction equals sums of sinus of phase difference of each neighbor:

$$\dot{\theta}_k = \omega_k + g \sum_{j=1}^N a_{kj} \sin(\theta_j - \theta_k)$$

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natural frequency    coupling strength



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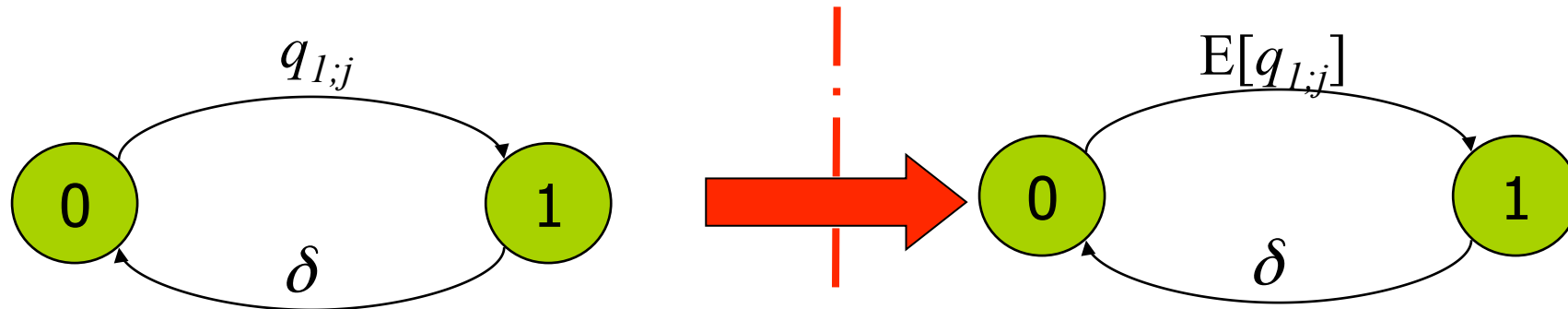
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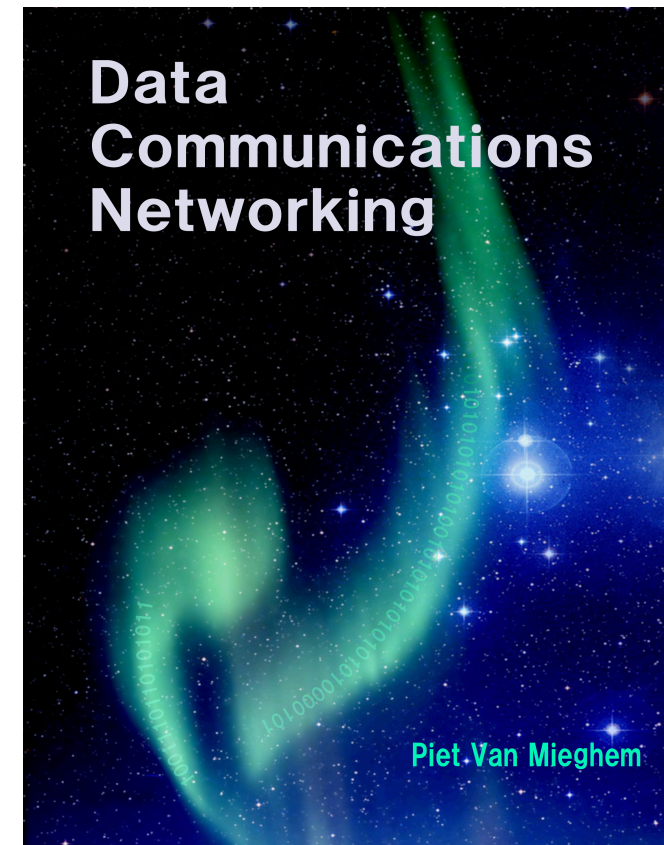
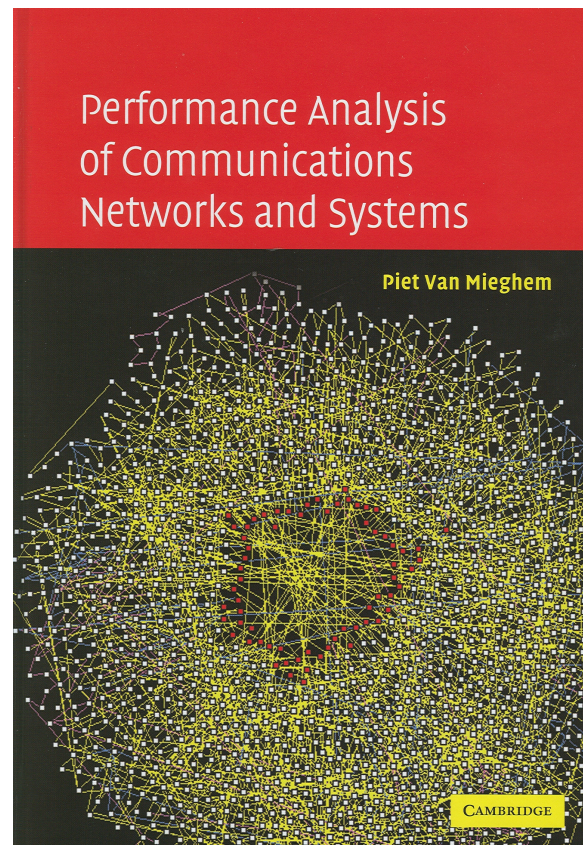
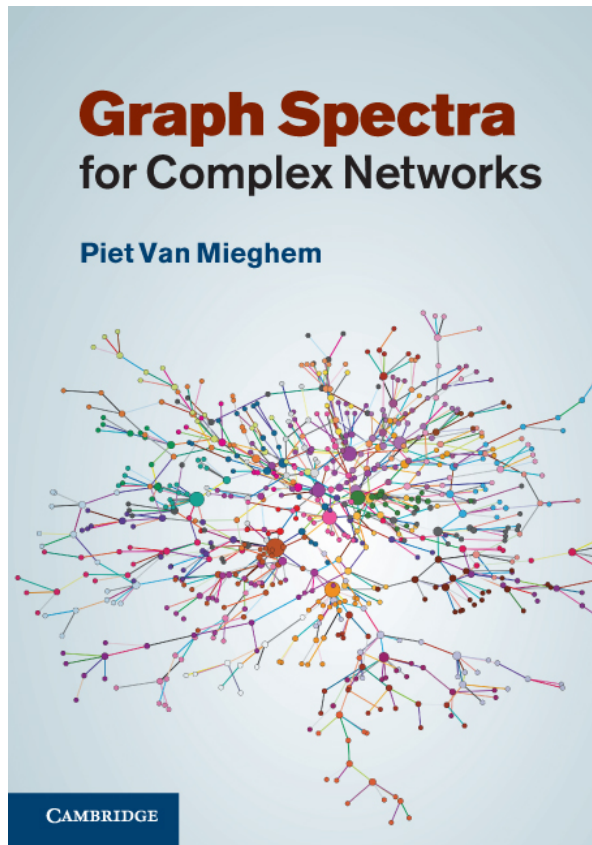
- $2^N$  linear equations
- Steady-state
  - absorbing (healthy) state
  - reached after unrealistically long time
- difficult to analyze

- $N$  non-linear equations
- Meta-stable state:
  - phase-transition
  - epidemic threshold
  - realistic
- analytically tractable

# Agenda for future research

- Accuracy of  $N$ -intertwined mean-field approximation
- Exact computations for graphs beside the complete graph and the star
- Coupling of the virus spread process and the underlying topology (adaptive networks)
- Multiple, simultaneous viruses on a network
- Eigenvectors and eigenvalues of a graph: what do they "physically" mean?

# Books



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