CSE 427 Computational Biology

Lecture 8
Graph diffusion

1st-order proximity only models local structure

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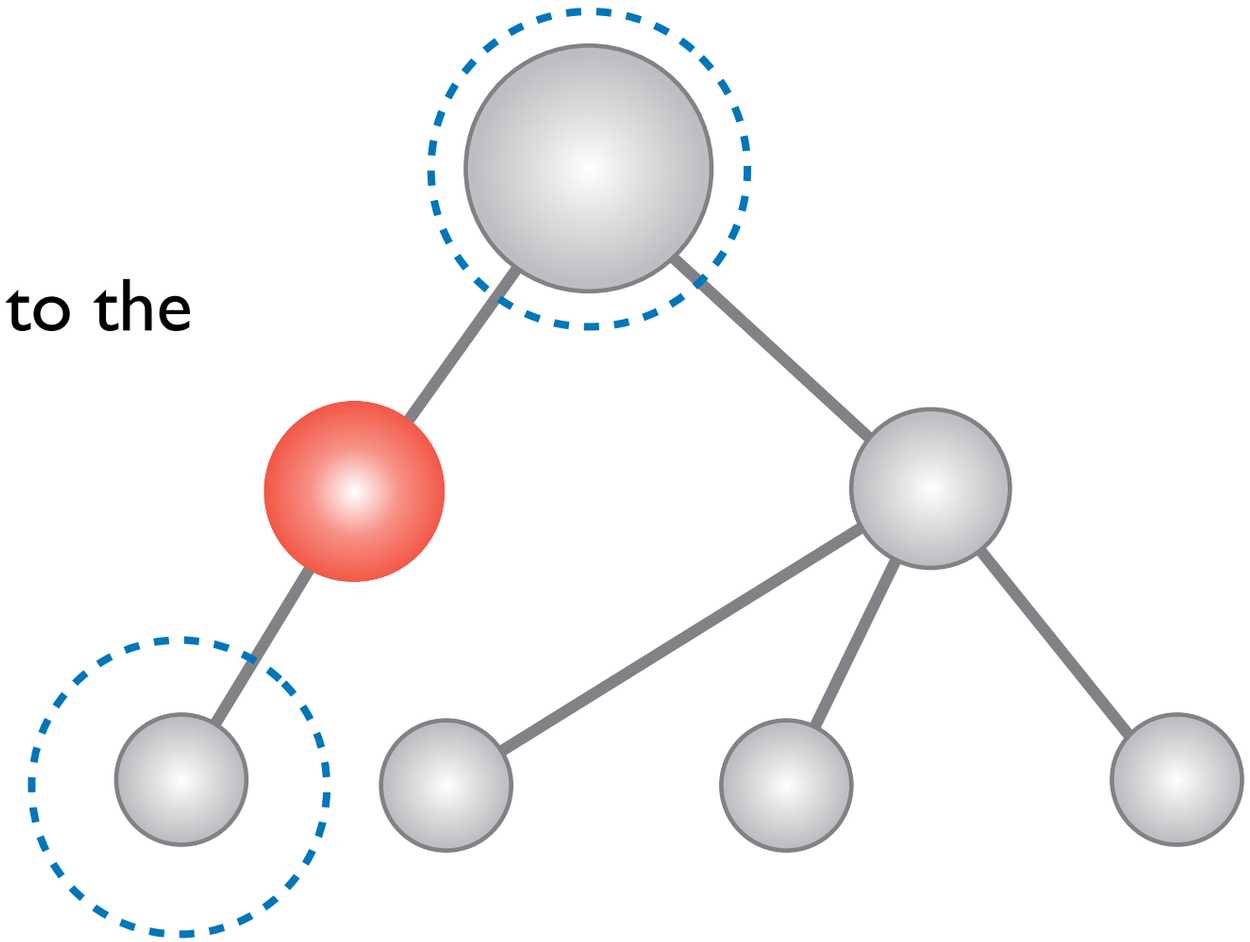

Direct neighbors: two nodes are considered similar if they share an edge

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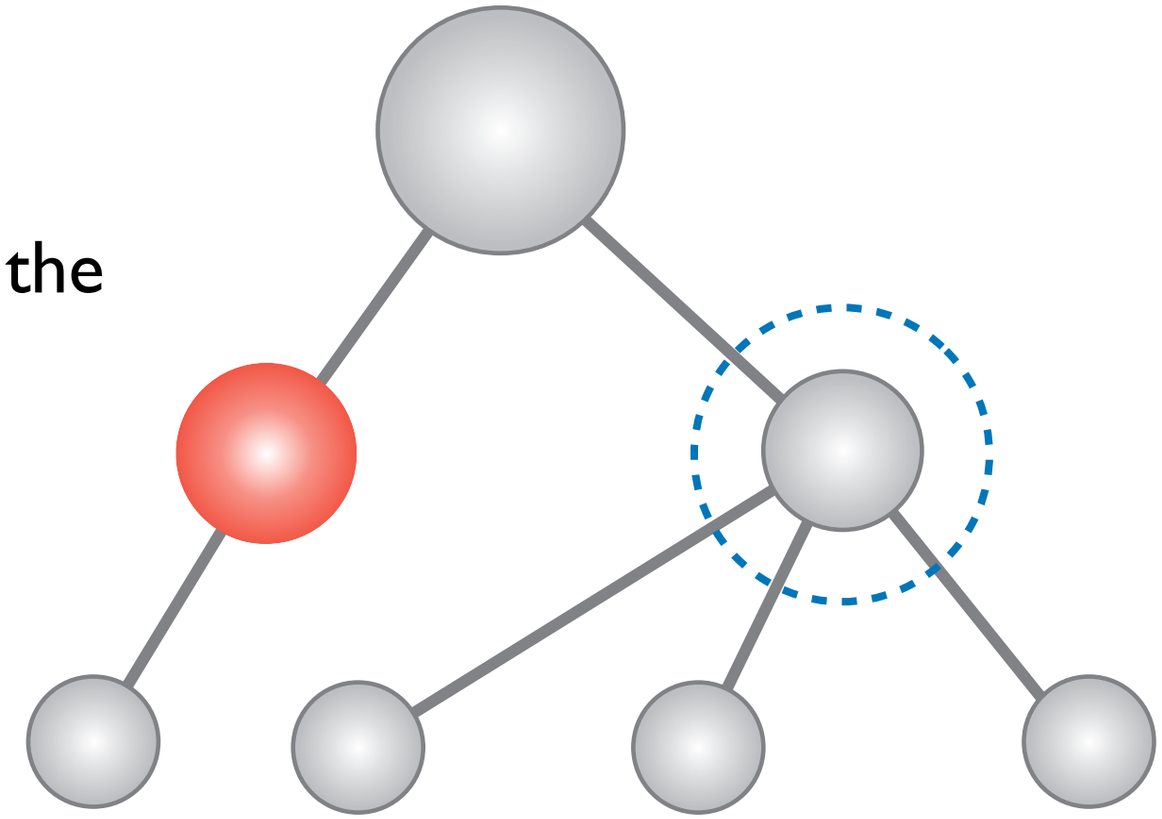

Neighbors' neighbors: two nodes are considered similar if they share many neighboring/adjacent nodes

Key idea:
high-order (nth-order) proximity models global structure

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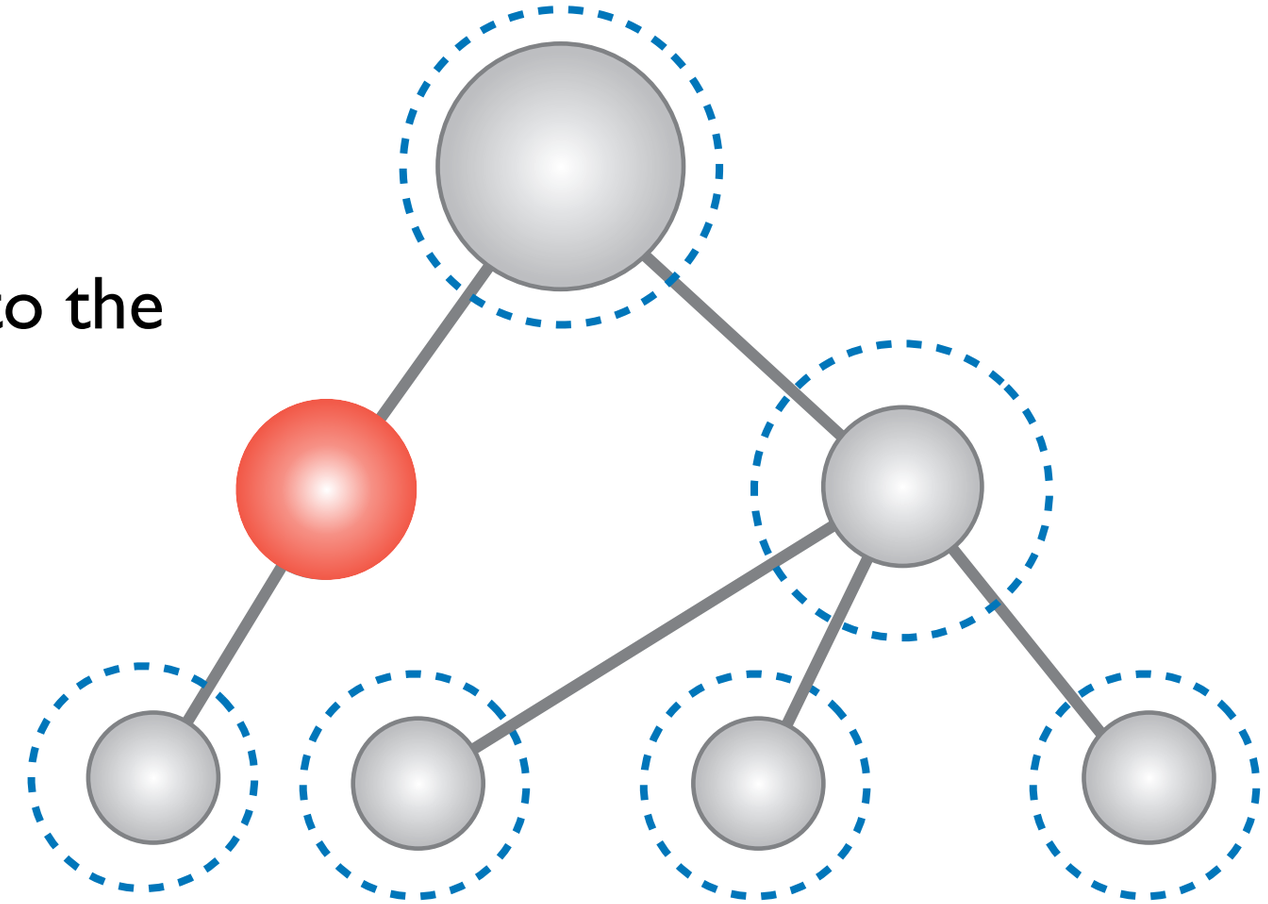

All nodes in the graph: two nodes are considered similar if their distances to all other nodes are similar

The Math:

use diffusion model on each node to calculate topological similarity

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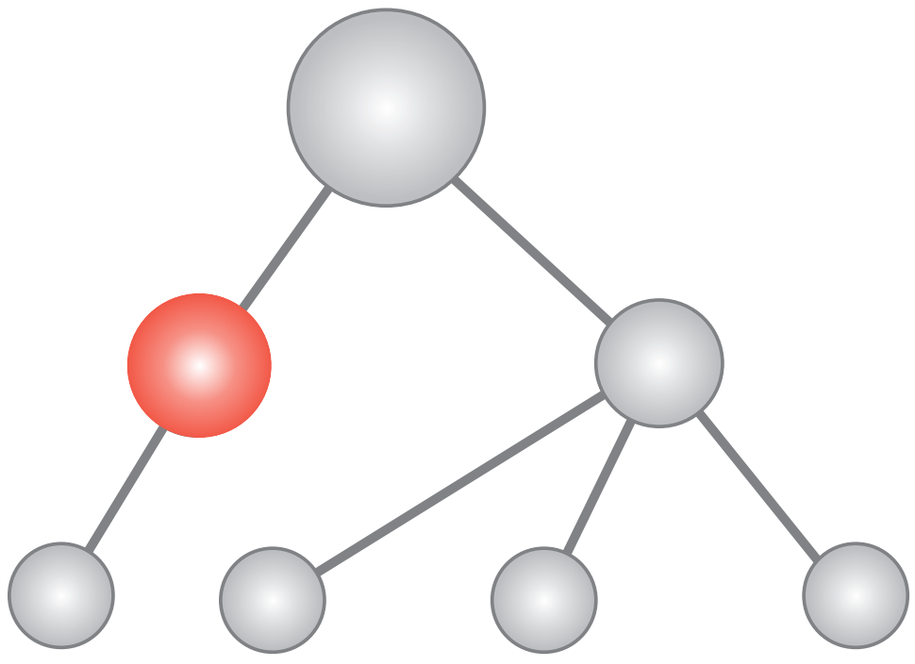

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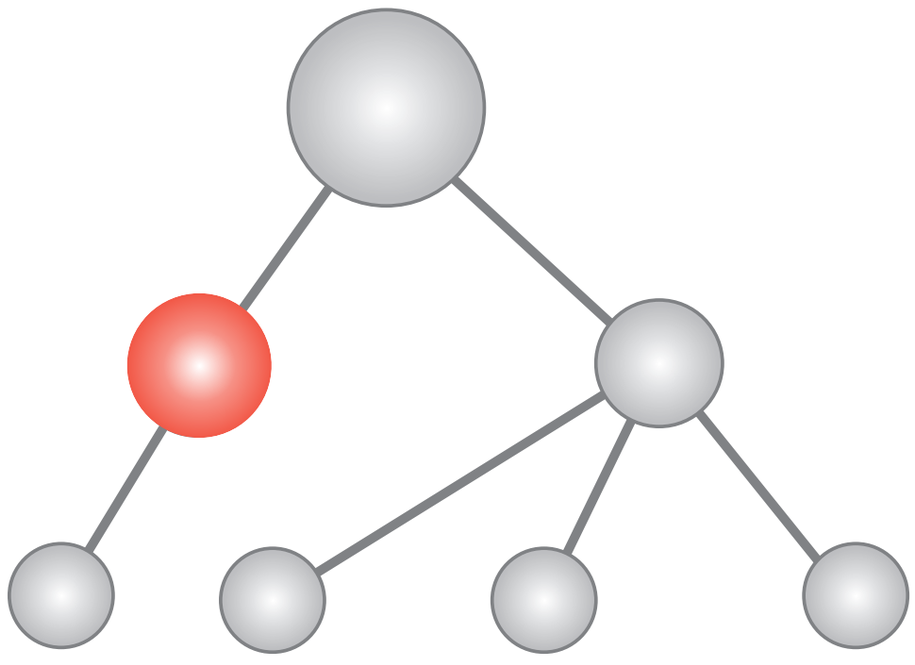

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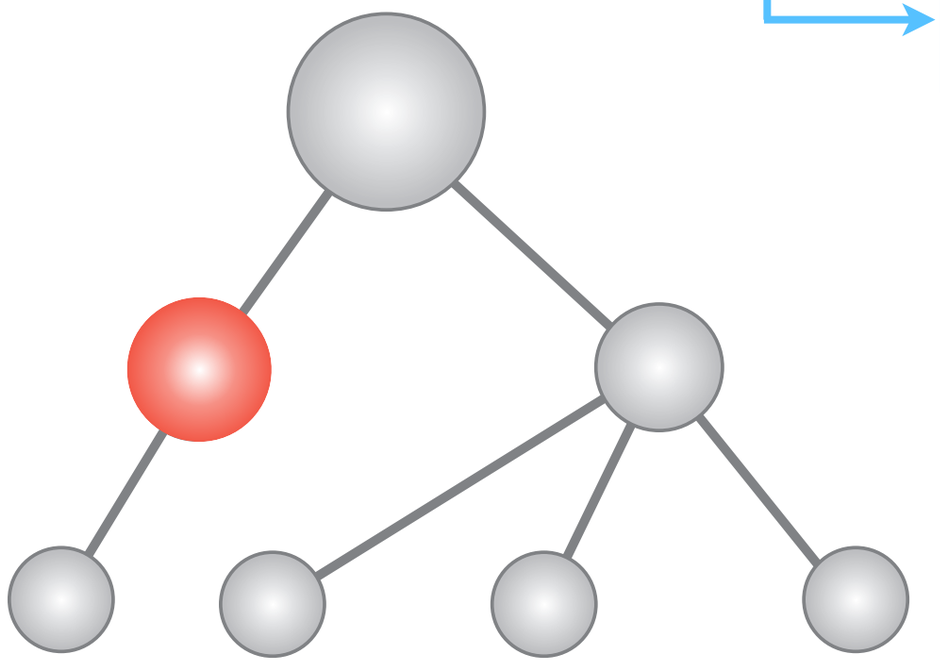

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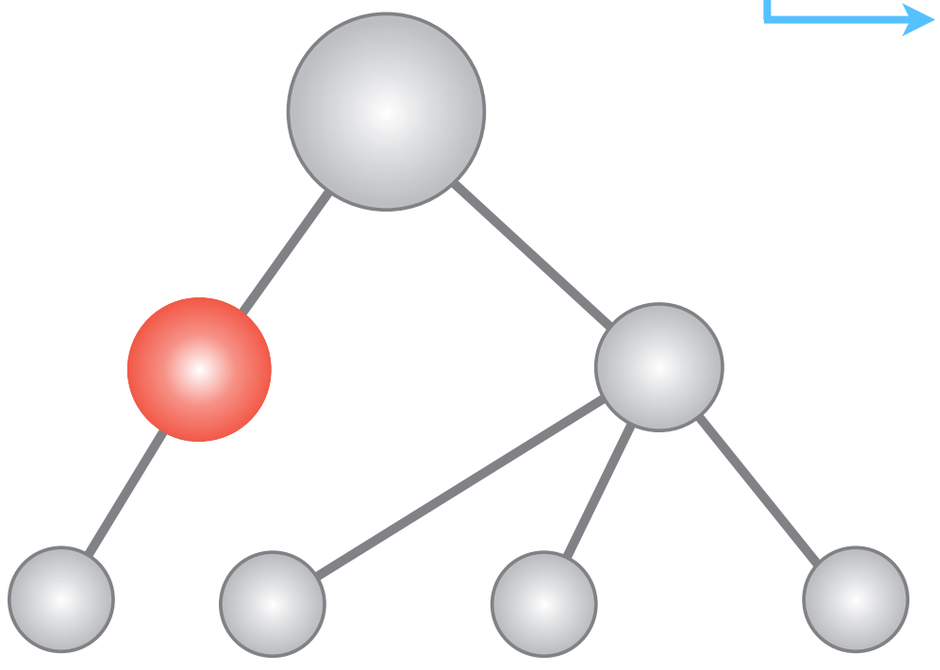
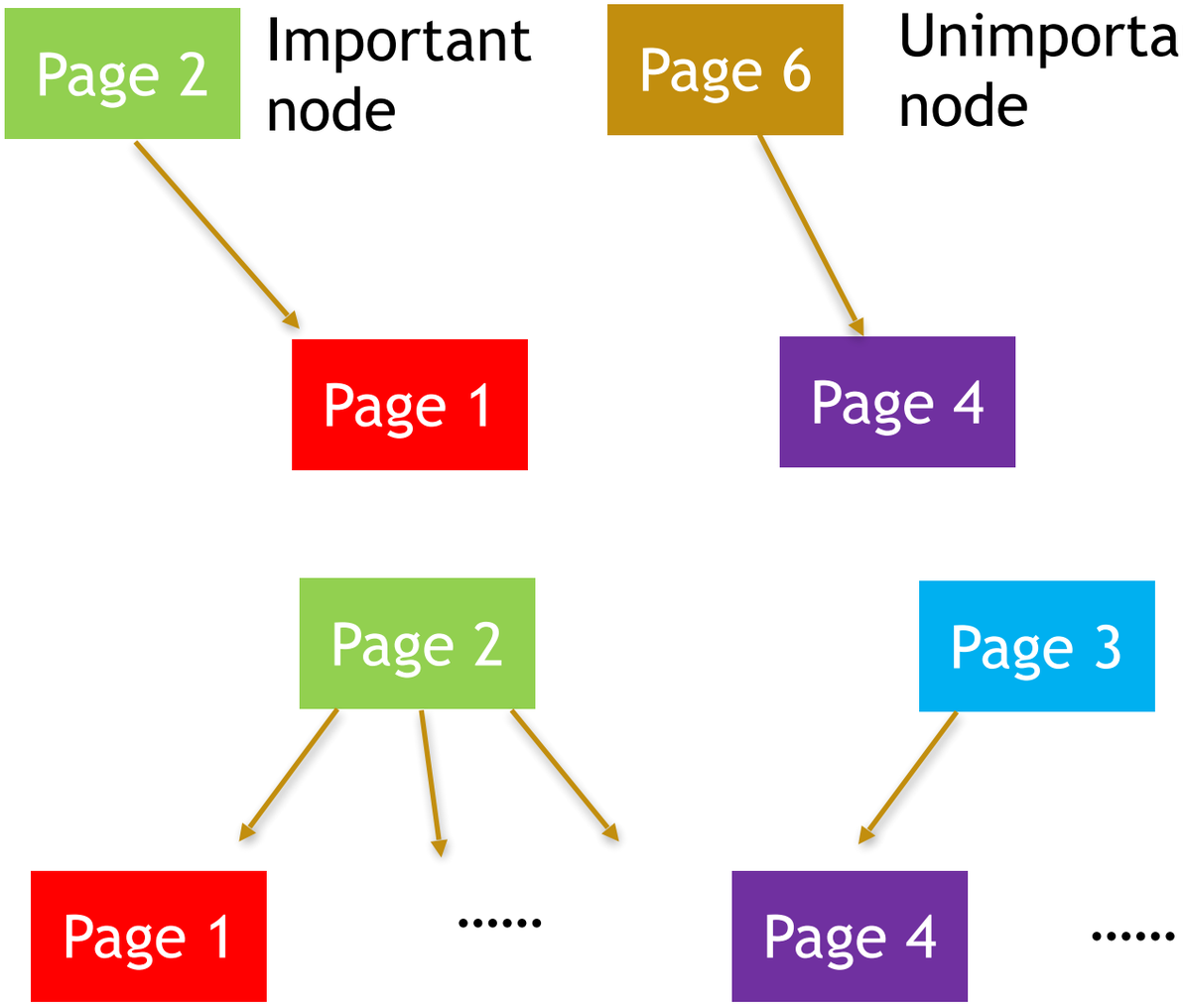


Motivation

- Given a set of web pages with links between them, we would like to rank the pages in order of importance.
- We can model this as a graph problem where web pages are vertices and links are edges.

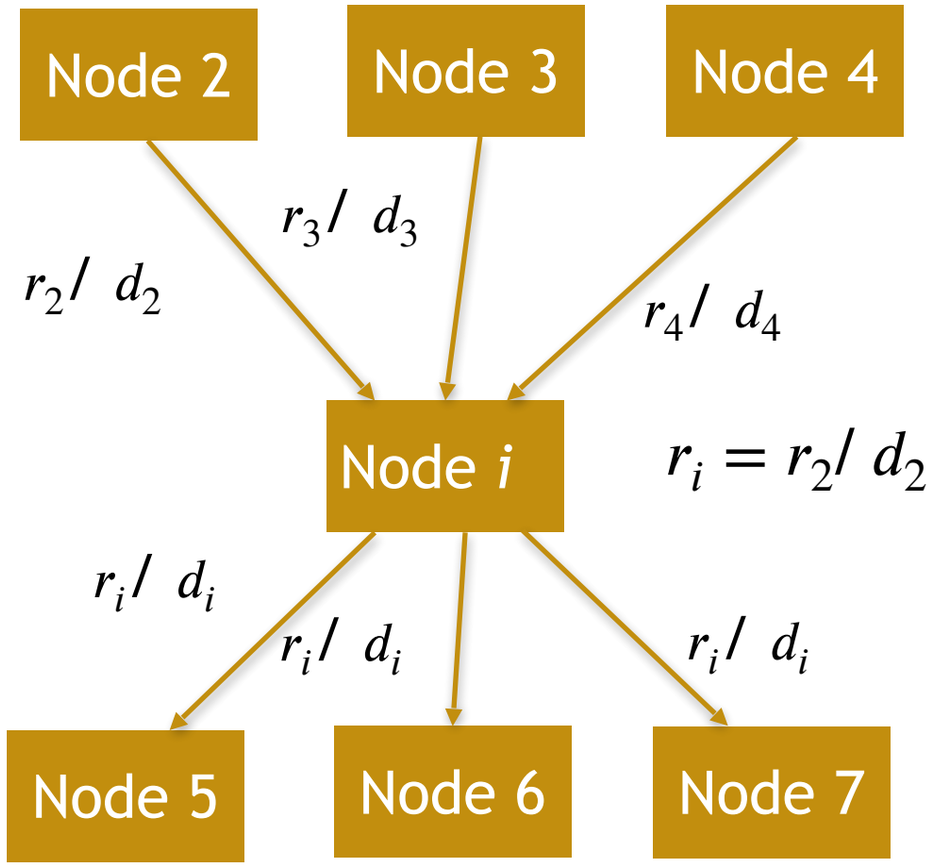


1. A link from an important edge is more significant than a link from an unimportant web page.

2. Being linked from a page with many outgoing links is less significant than being linked from a page with few outgoing

Random walk

Every node votes for its neighbors and gets votes from neighbors



- Each link's vote is proportional to the importance of its source node
- If node *i* with importance r_i has d_i out-links, each link gets $r_i/\ d_i$ votes
- node *i*'s own importance r_i is the sum of the votes on its in-links

$$r_i = r_2/\ d_2 + r_3/\ d_3 + r_4/\ d_4$$

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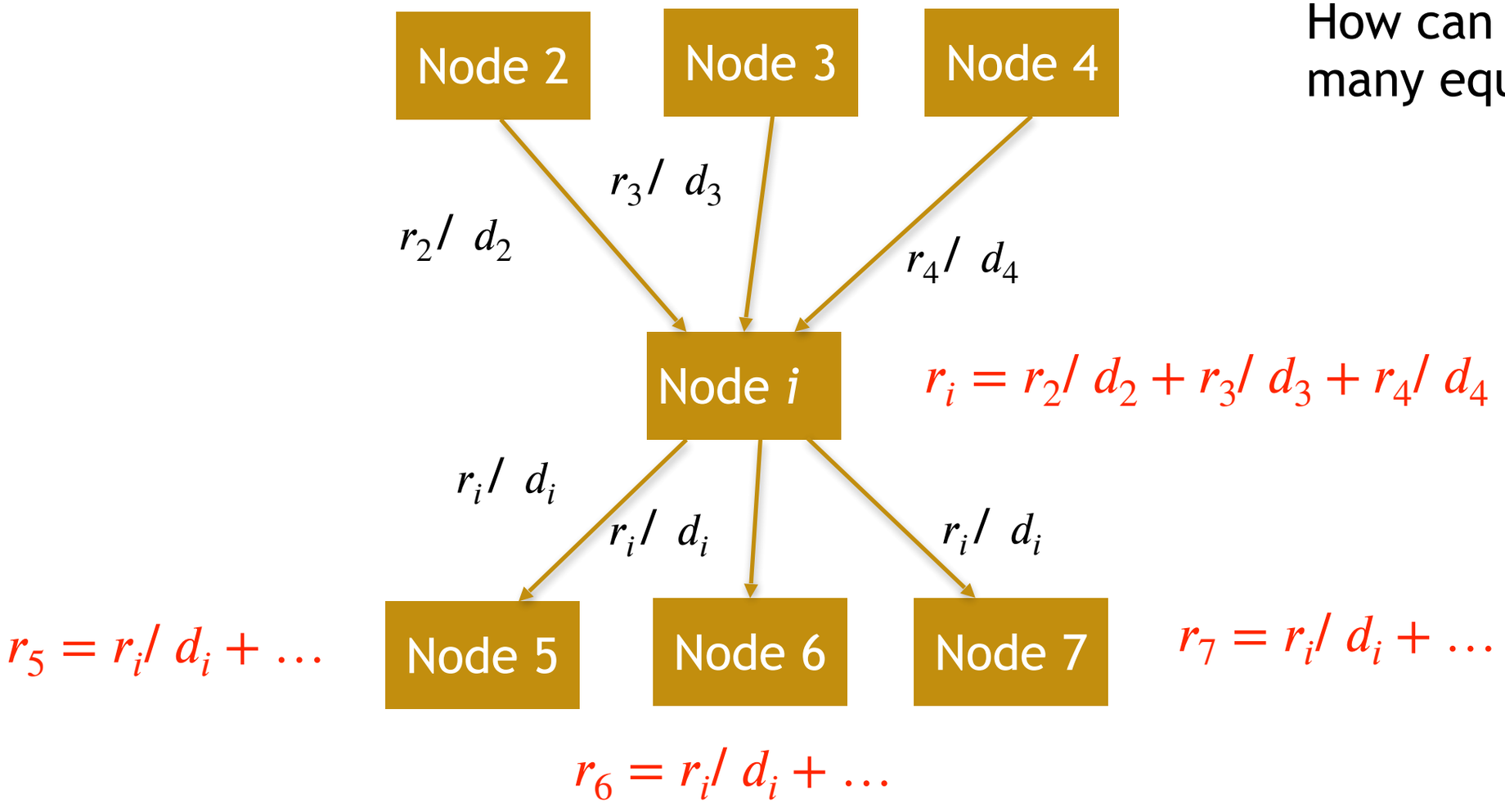

How can you solve so many equations together?

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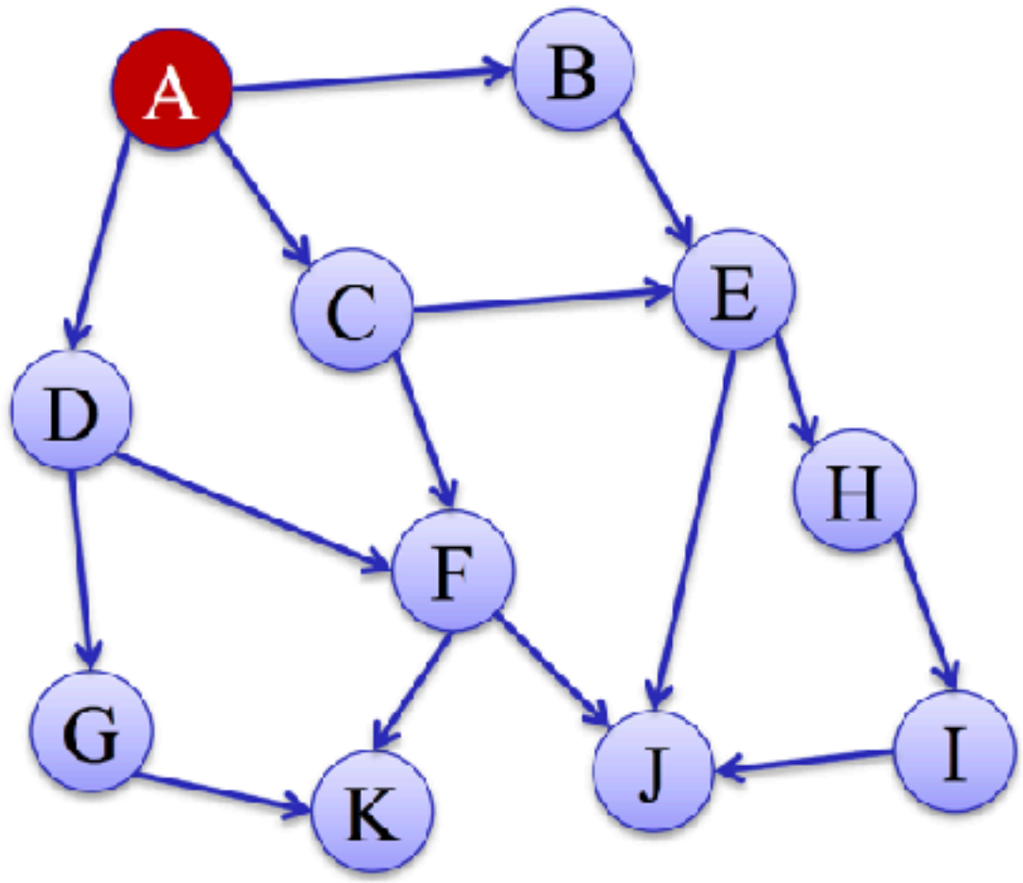

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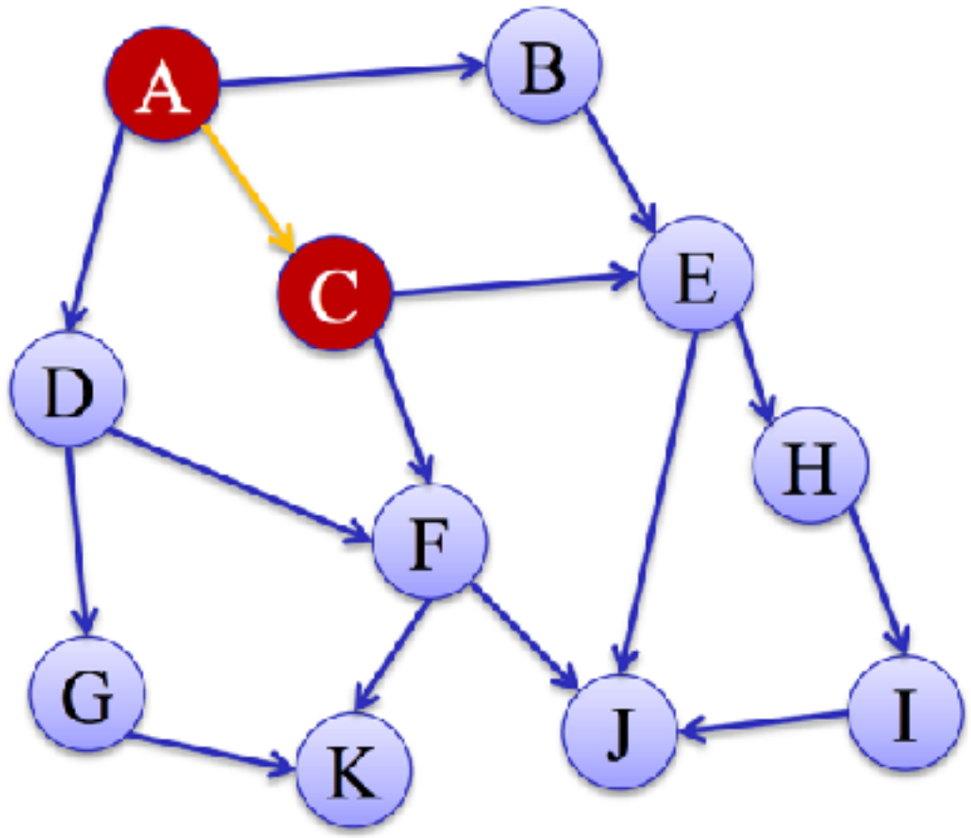

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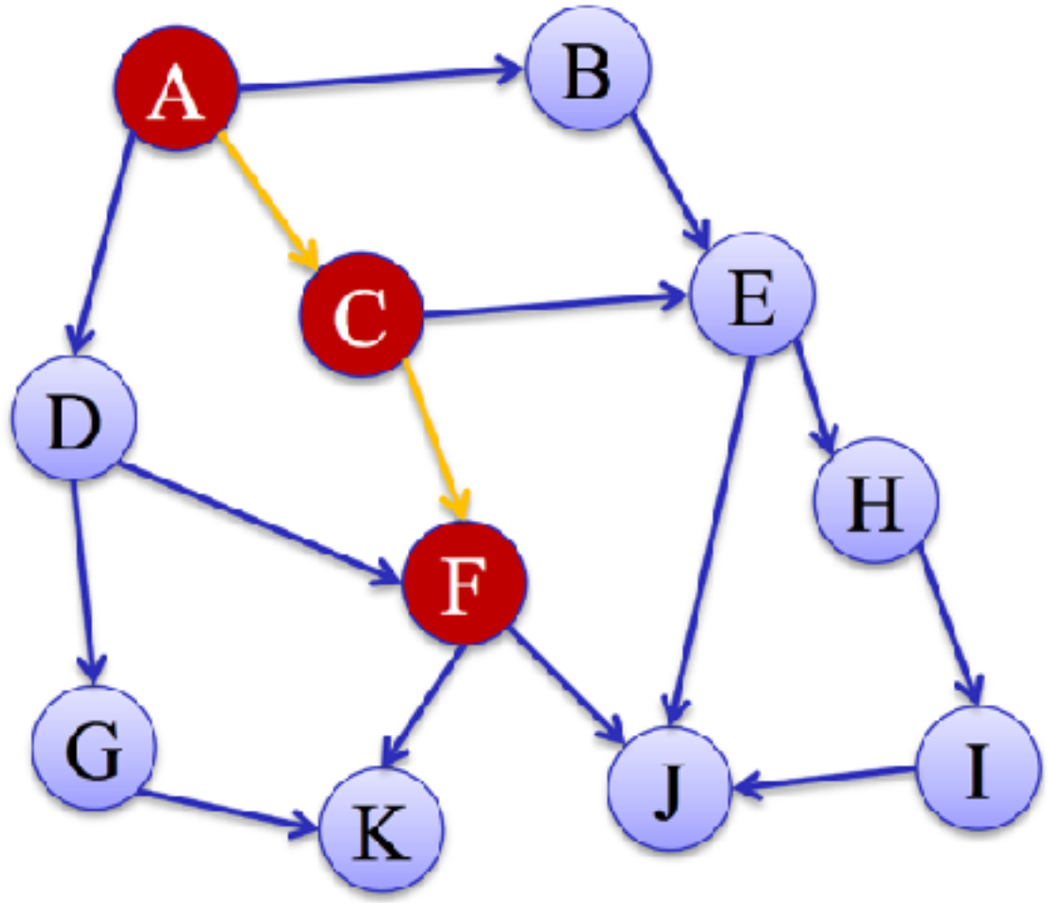

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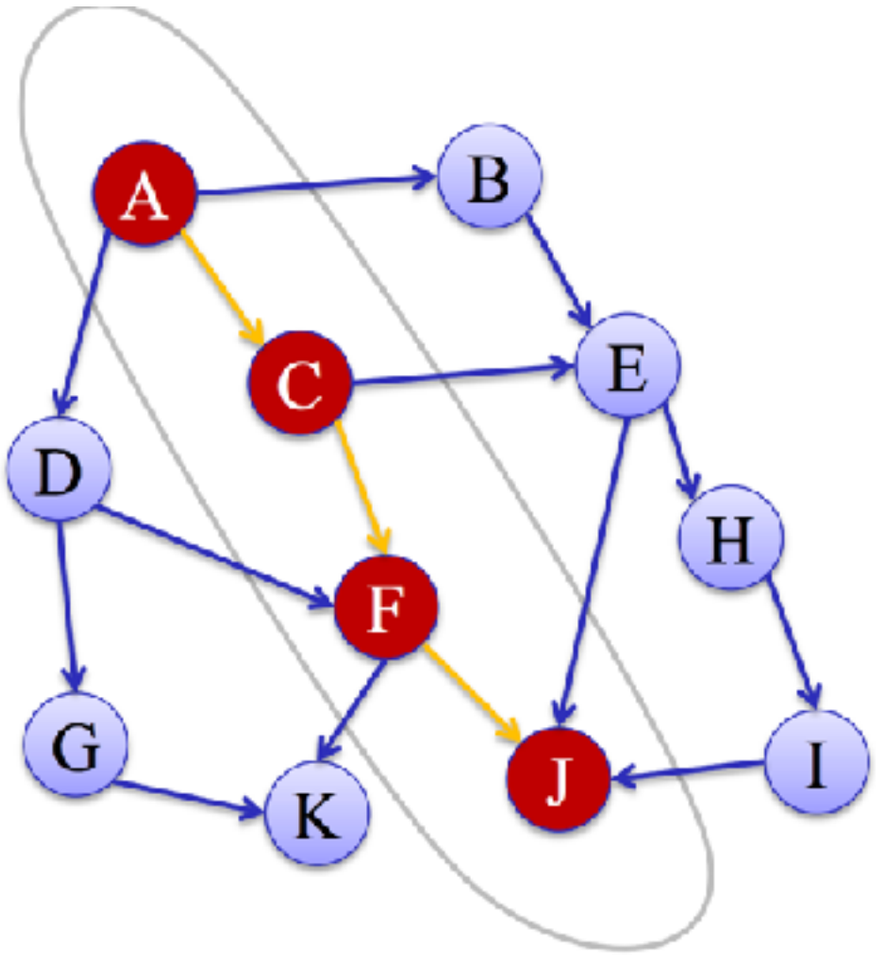
The (random) sequence of nodes selected this way is a random walk on the graph



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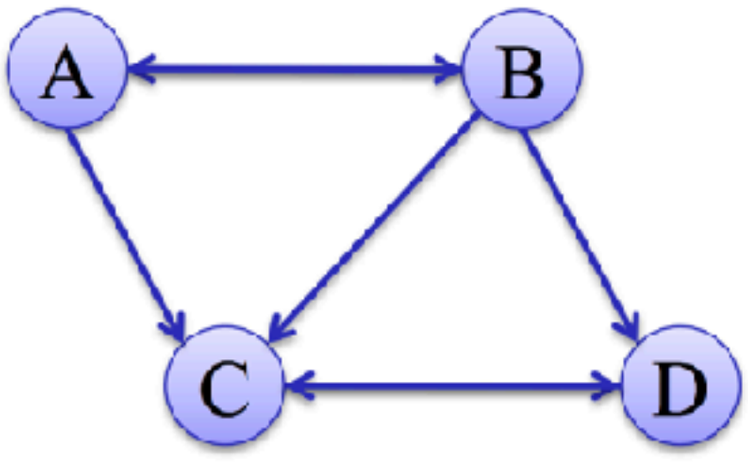
Adjacency Matrix vs. Transition Matrix

- A transition matrix is a stochastic matrix where each element a_{ij} represents the probability of moving from i to j, with each row summing to 1.

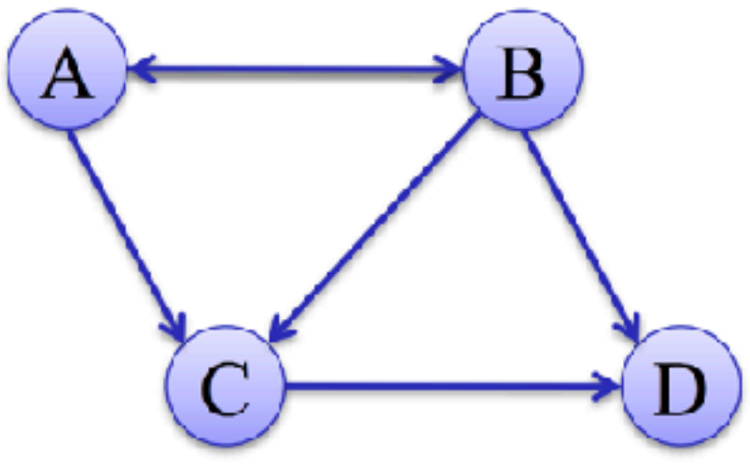
Adjacency Matrix

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$



Transition Matrix

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1/2 & 1/2 & 0 \\ 1/3 & 0 & 1/3 & 1/3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$



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Markov chains

•A Markov chain describes a discrete time stochastic process over a set of states

$$S = \{s_1, s_2, \ldots s_n\}$$

according to a transition probability matrix

$$P = \{P_{ij}\}$$

P_{ij} = probability of moving to state j when at state i

• Markov Chains are memoryless: The next state of the chain depends only at the current state

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Stationary Distribution

- $x_t(i)$ = probability that the surfer is at node i at time t
- $x_{t+1}(j) = \sum_i x_t(i) \cdot P_{ij}$
- $x_{t+1} = x_t P = x_{t-1} P P = \mathrm{x}_0 \mathrm{P}^{\mathrm{t}}$
- What happens when the surfer keeps walking for a long time?
  - We get a stationary distribution

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Stationary Distribution

- The stationary distribution at a node is related to the amount of time a random walker spends visiting that node

- When the surfer keeps walking for a long time, the distribution does not change any more: $x_{t+1}(i) = x_t(i)$

- For "well-behaved" graphs this does not depend on the start distribution

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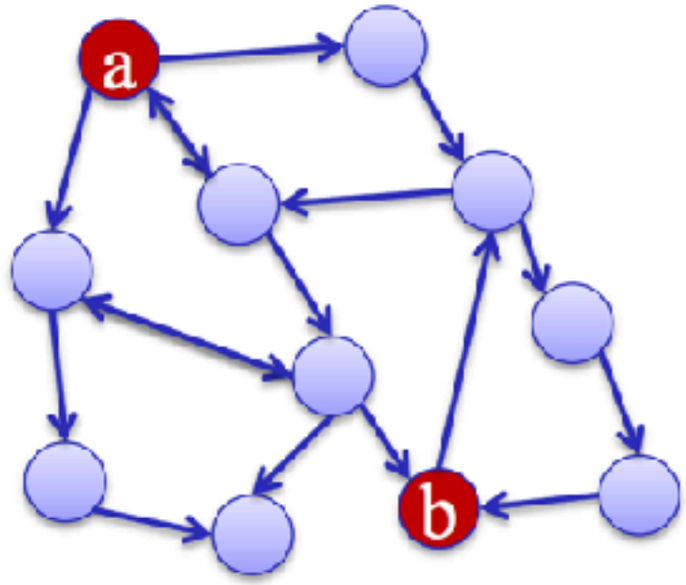
Hitting Time

- How long does it take to hit node b in a random walk starting at node a ?

- Hitting time from node i to node j
  - Expected number of hops to hit node j starting at node i.
  - Not symmetric
  - $h(i,j) = 1 + \Sigma_{k \in adj(i)} P(i,k)\ h(k,j)$



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Commute Time

- How long does it take to hit node b in a random walk starting at node a and come back to a?

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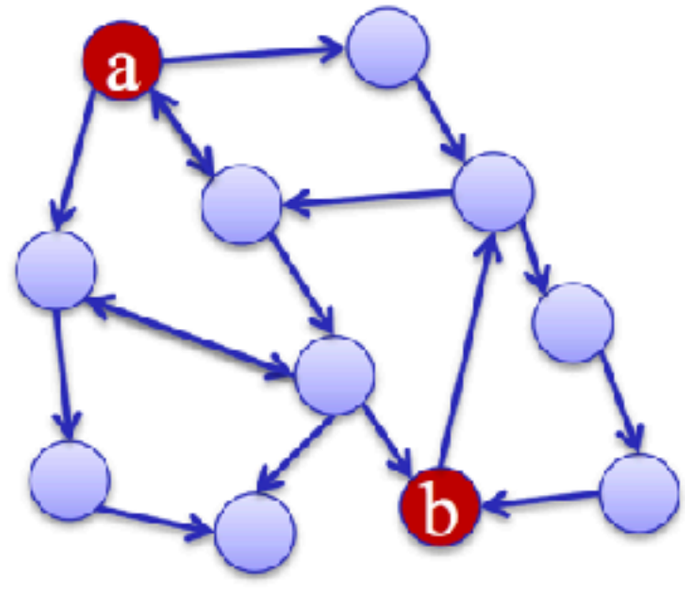

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Random walk

The flow equations can be written:

$$r = Mr$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} r_1 \\ r_2 \\ \vdots \\ r_j \\ \vdots \\ r_N \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1/d_1 & 0 & \cdots & 1/d_N \\ 1/d_1 & 1/d_2 & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ 0 & 1/d_2 & \cdots & 1/d_N \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} r_1 \\ r_2 \\ \vdots \\ r_j \\ \vdots \\ r_N \end{bmatrix}$$

M is a Markov matrix since each column sums equal to 1

How to solve this ?

Power Iteration method

Initialize: $r^0 = [\frac{1}{N}, \frac{1}{N}, \ldots, \frac{1}{N}]^T$

While $||r^{k+1} - r^k||_2 >$ 0.0001:

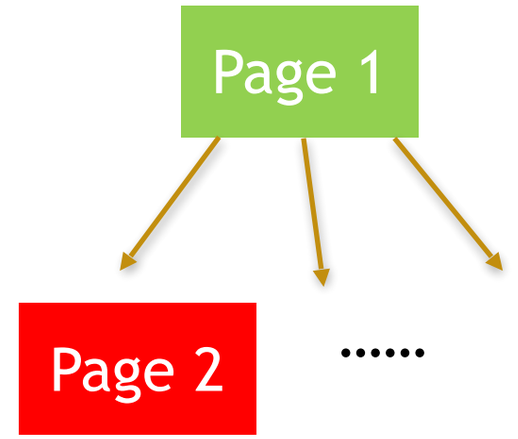
$$r^{k+1} = Mr^k$$

$$\begin{matrix} 1/d_1 & , & 0 & , & \ldots & , & 1/d_N \\ 1/d_1 & , & 1/d_2 & , & \ldots & , & 0 \\ \vdots & & \vdots & & & & \vdots \\ 0 & , & 1/d_2 & , & \ldots & , & 1/d_N \\ \vdots & & \vdots & & & & \vdots \end{matrix}$$

Random walk interpretation

The vector r can be reinterpreted as a probability vector to visit each website

- Imagine a random web surfer
  - At any time *k*, surfer has a probability vector r^k to visit a web page following the out-link.
  - Process repeats indefinitely



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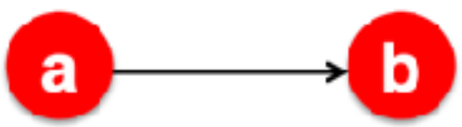
Problem of random walk

Dead ends



$$r_j^{(t+1)} = \sum_{i \to j} \frac{r_i^{(t)}}{\mathrm{d_i}}$$

Dead-ends are a problem because the matrix is not column stochastic so our initial assumptions are not met.

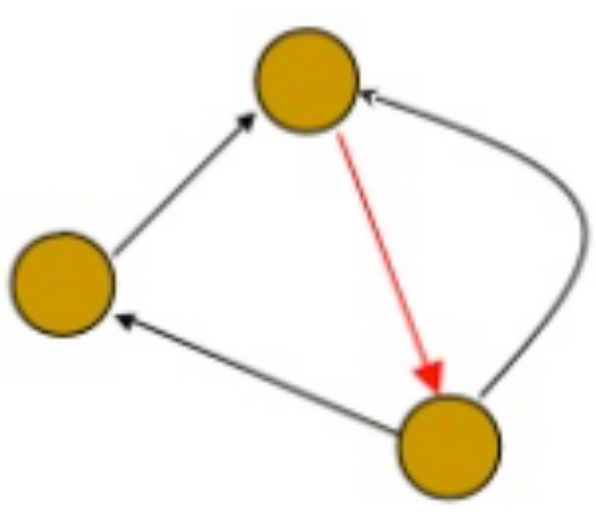
- **Example:**

Iteration: 0, 1, 2, 3…

r_a	1	0	0	0
r_b	0	1	0	0

Random walk has stationary distribution when the graph is irreducible and aperiodic

- Irreducible: There is a path from every node to every other node.



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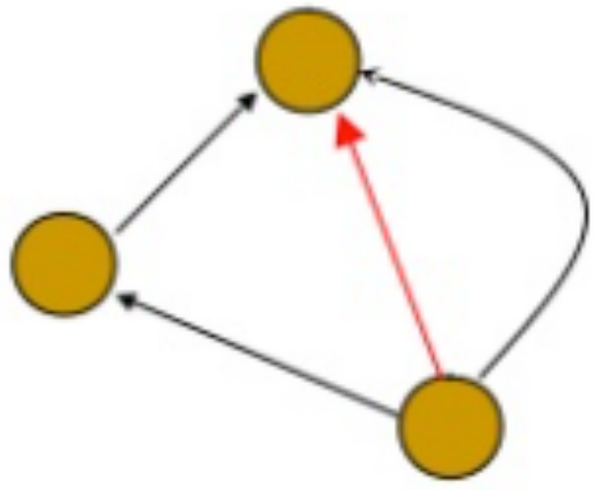
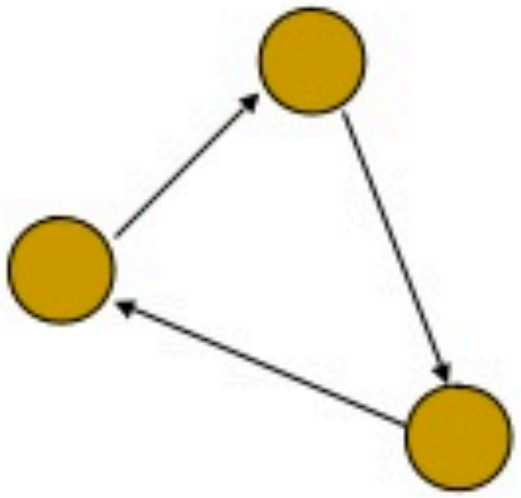


Not irreducible

Source: Random walk on graphs: an overview

- Aperiodic: The GCD of all cycle lengths is *1*. The GCD is also called period.



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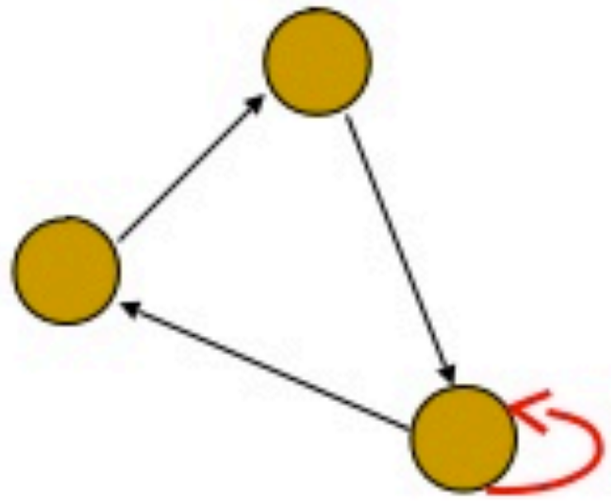

Aperiodic

The *greatest common divisor* of a set of whole numbers is the largest integer which divides them all.

Example: The greatest common divisor of 12 and 15.

gcd(*12, 15*).

Divisors of 12: 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 12.

Divisors of 15: 1, 3, 5, 15.

Common divisors: 1, 3.

Greatest common divisor is 3.

$\therefore \gcd(12, 15) = 3.$

Source: Random walk on graphs: an overview

Solution: jump to a random node

At each time step, the random surfer has two options

- With prob. β, follow a link at random
- With prob. $1-\beta$, jump to a random page
- Common values for β are in the range 0.8 to 0.9

$$r_j = \sum_{i \to j} \beta \frac{r_i}{d_i} + (1-\beta)\frac{1}{N}$$

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Difference from random walk

Random walk

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Matrix representation v.s. vector representation

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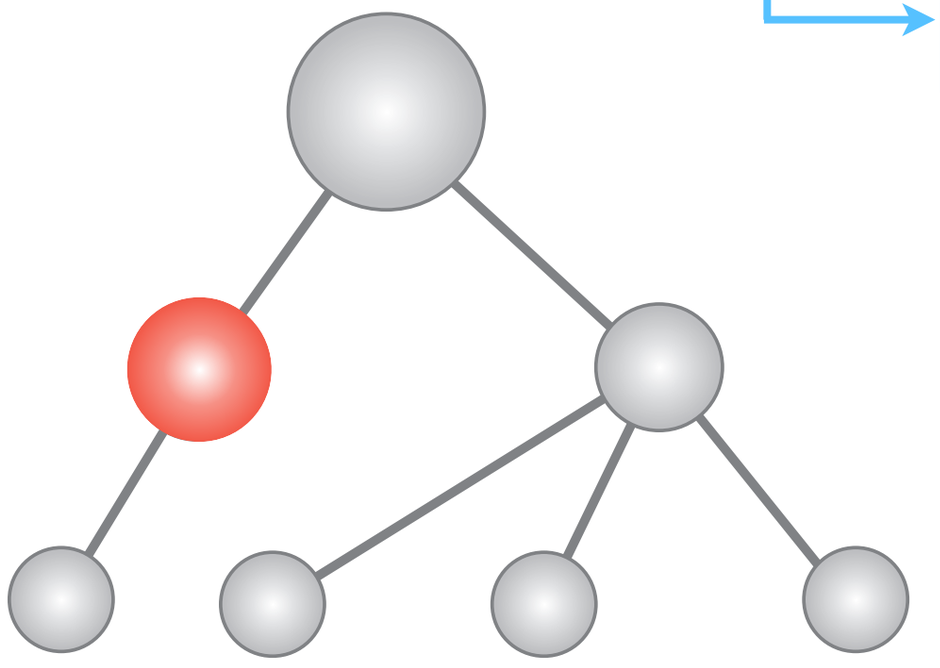

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Random walk with restart

- Random walk with restart is the same as random walk other than the fact that jumps are back to one of a given set of starting vertices.

- In a way, the walk in Random walk with restart is biased towards (or personalized for) this set of starting vertices and is more localized compared to the random walk.

Functions of random walk

1. Smooth the whole graphs

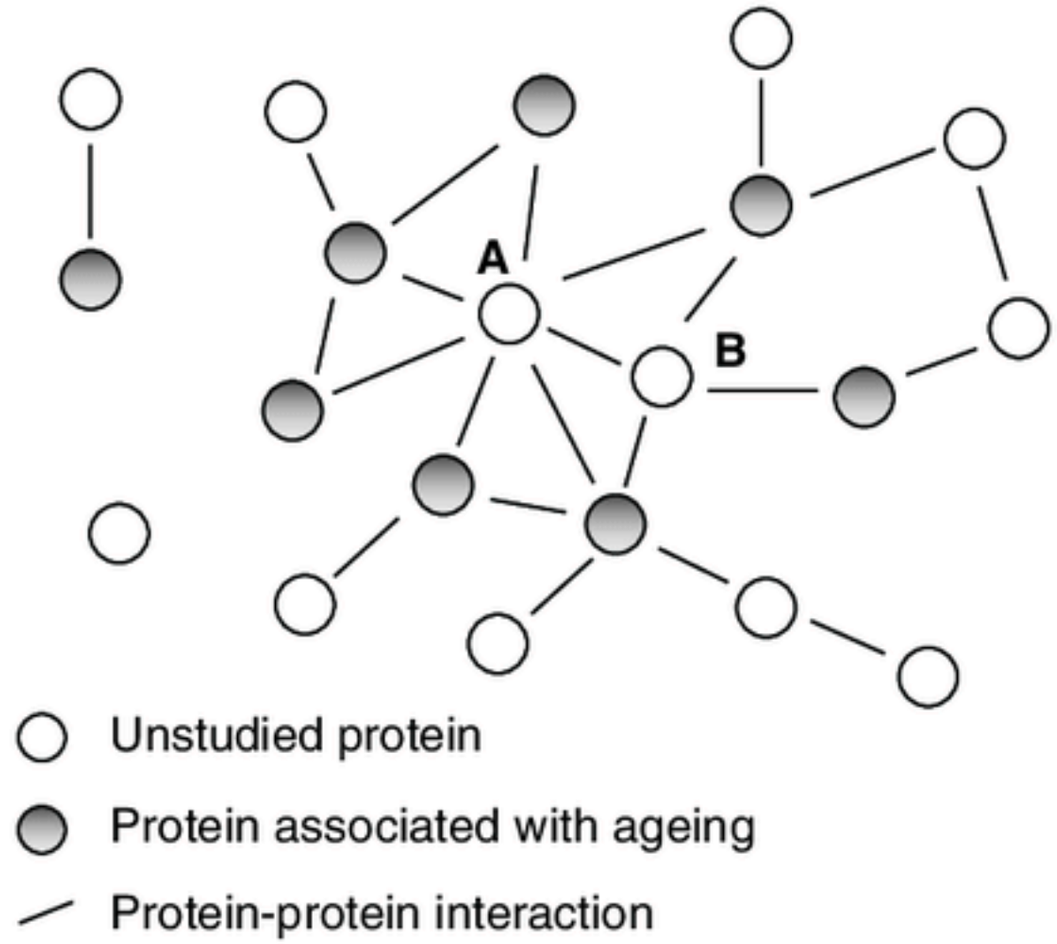
2. Assign importance score

3. Quantify the distance of two nodes

4. Want to integrate information beyond the neighbors

Guilt-by-association rule

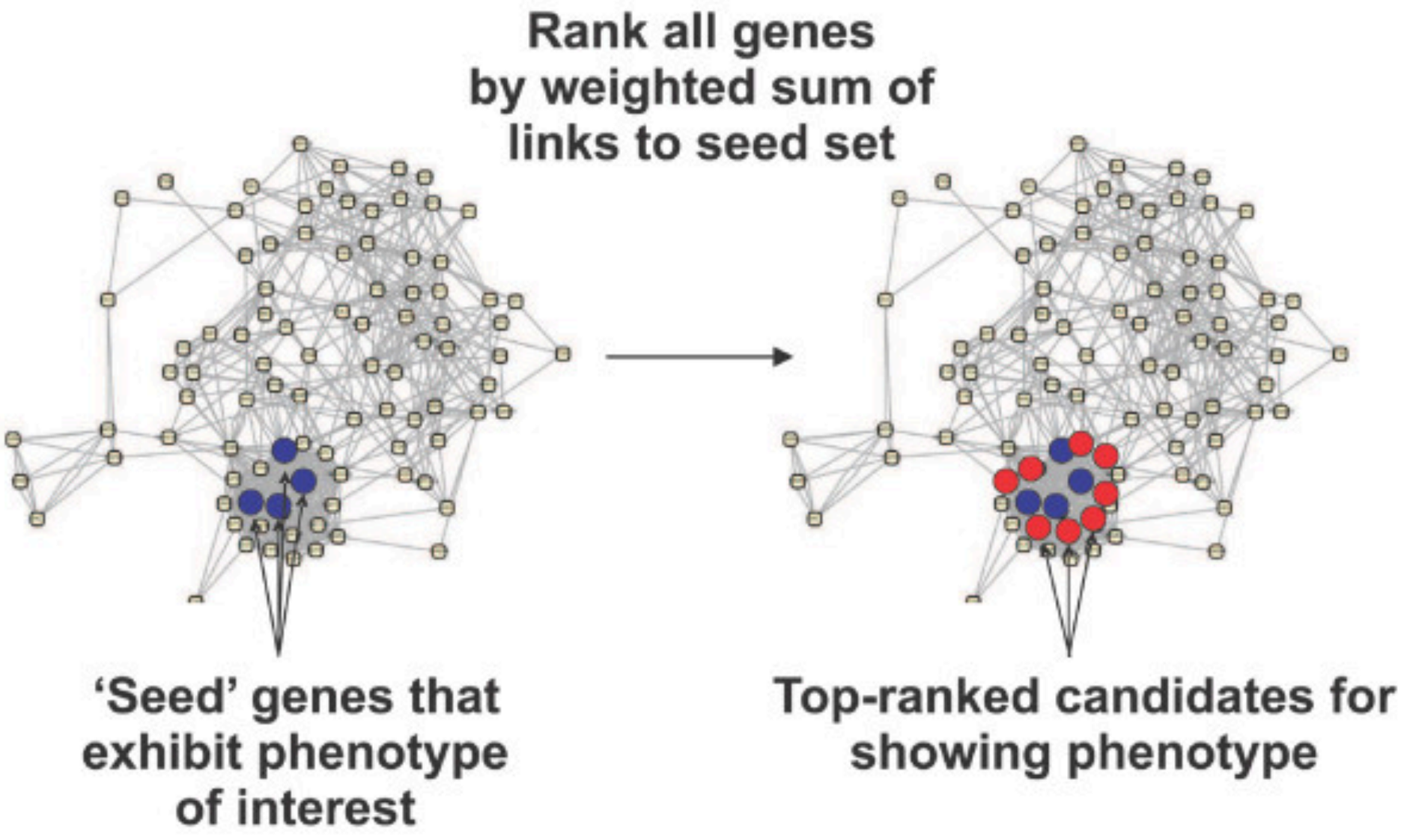
- Assign a label to a node using its neighbor's labels



Source: Aging research in the post-genome era: New technologies for an old problem

Guilt-by-association rule

- Fast and scalable to large networks
- But only utilize information of 1st-order neighbors



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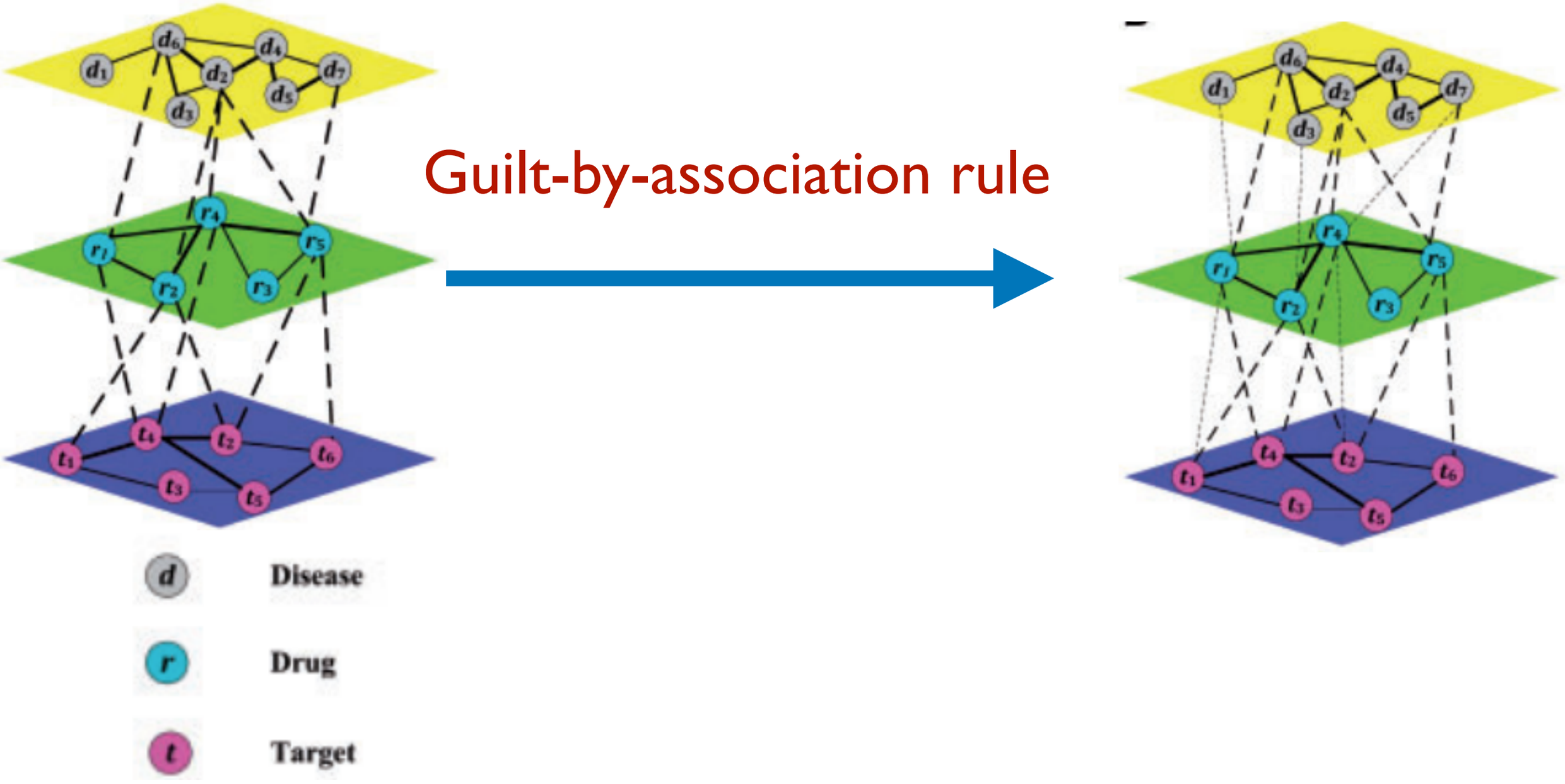
Drug target identification using guilt-by-association



Source: Drug repositioning by integrating target information through a heterogeneous network model

Network embedding and graph neural network

SimCLR: Contrastive Learning using data augmentation

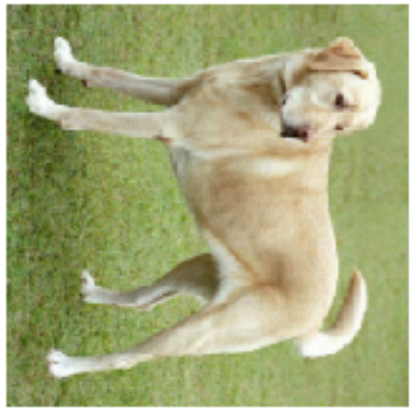
(a) Original

(b) Crop and resize

(c) Crop, resize (and flip)

(d) Color distort. (drop)

(e) Color distort. (jitter)



(f) Rotate {90°, 180°, 270°}

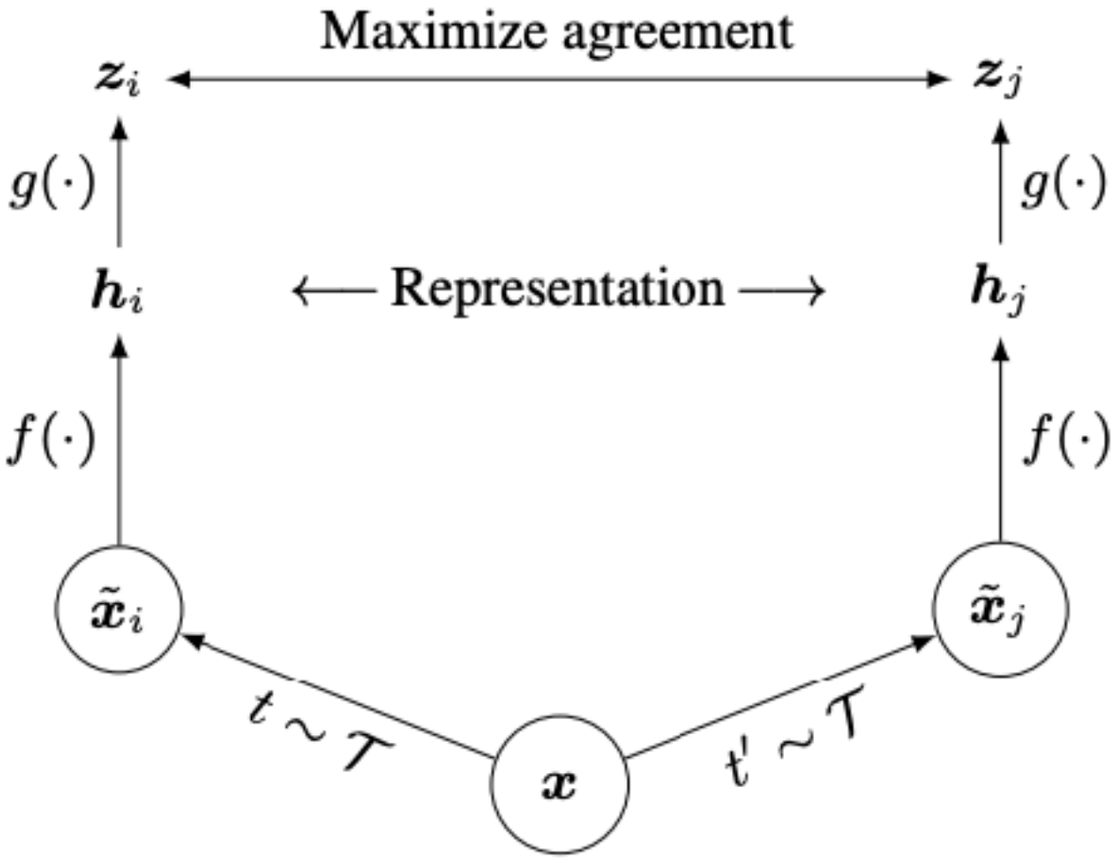
(g) Cutout

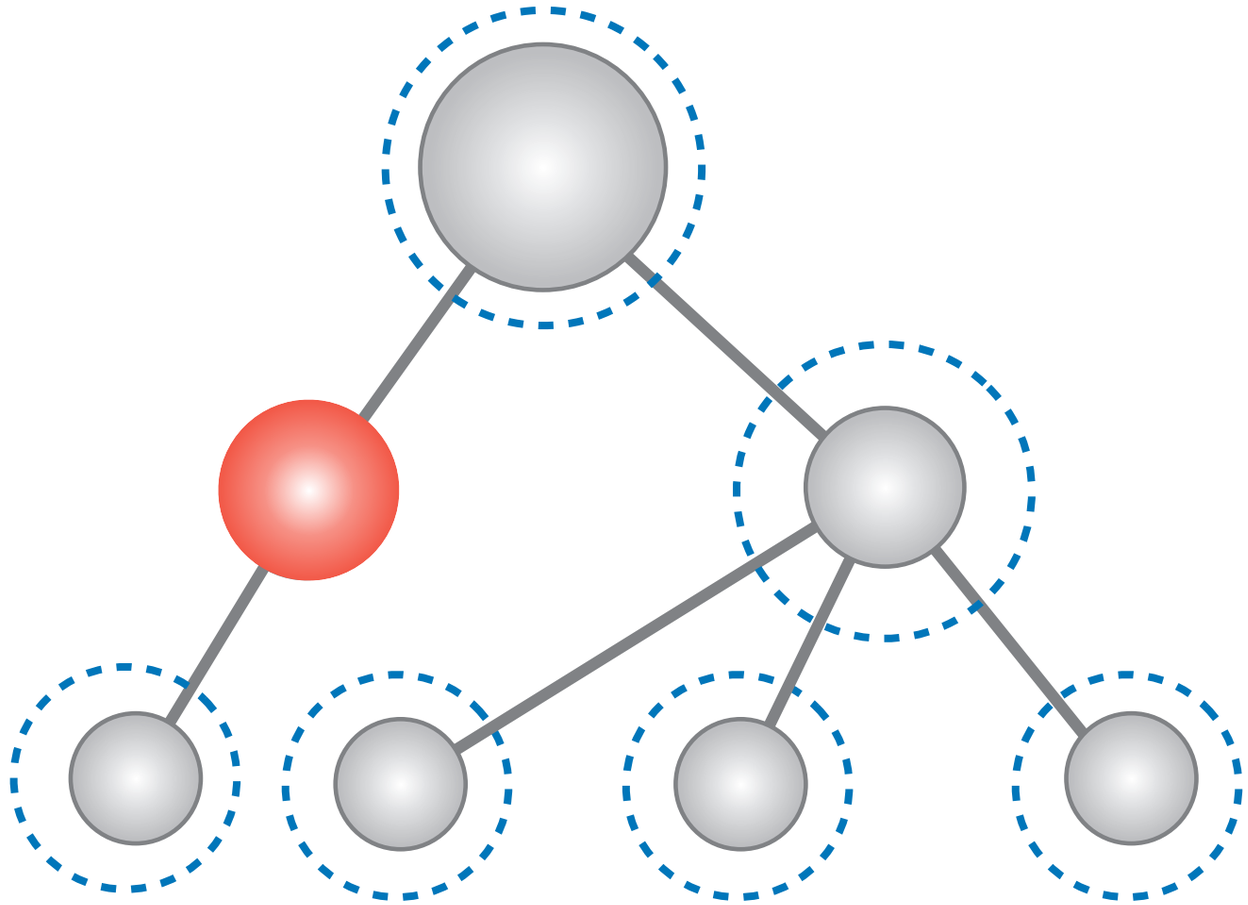
(h) Gaussian noise

(i) Gaussian blur

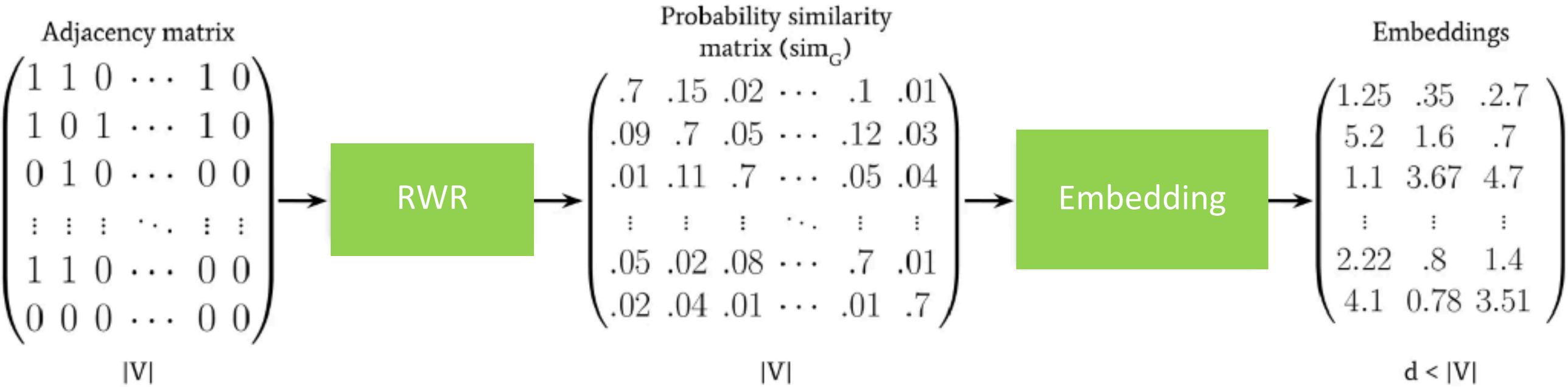
(j) Sobel filtering

Using network is like data augmentation





From advanced matrix to random walk probability matrix



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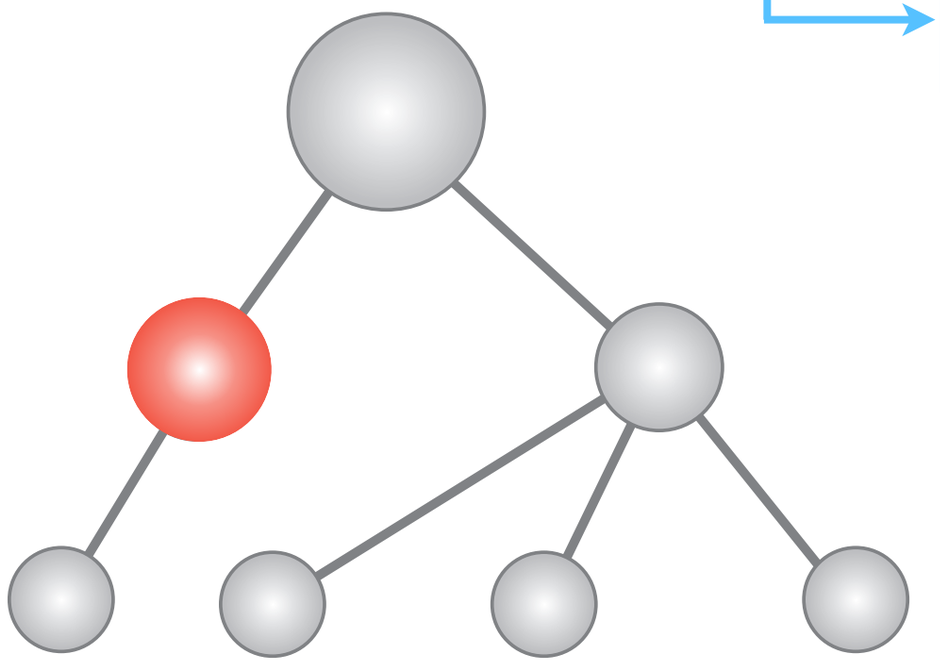
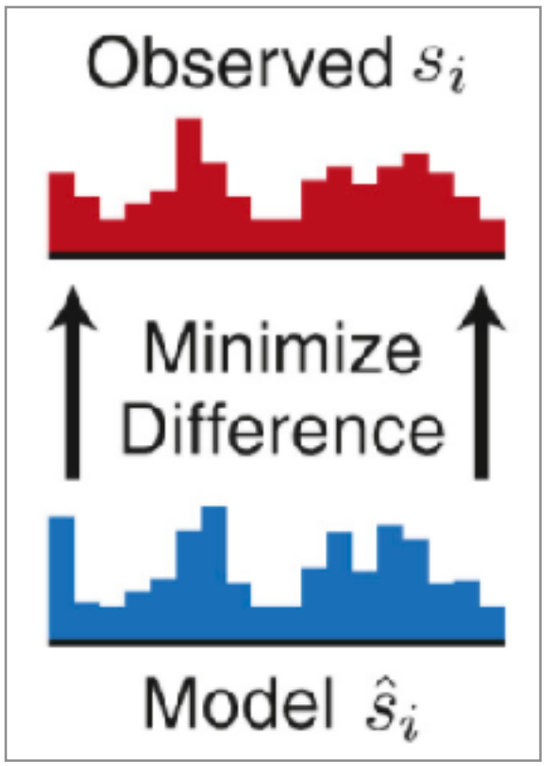


Network embedding: decomposing diffusion matrix

Optimization goal: find class embedding $\{\boldsymbol{x}_i\}$ and context embedding $\{\boldsymbol{u}_i\}$ so that $\{\hat{\boldsymbol{s}}_i\}$ is close to $\{\mathbf{s}_i\}$.

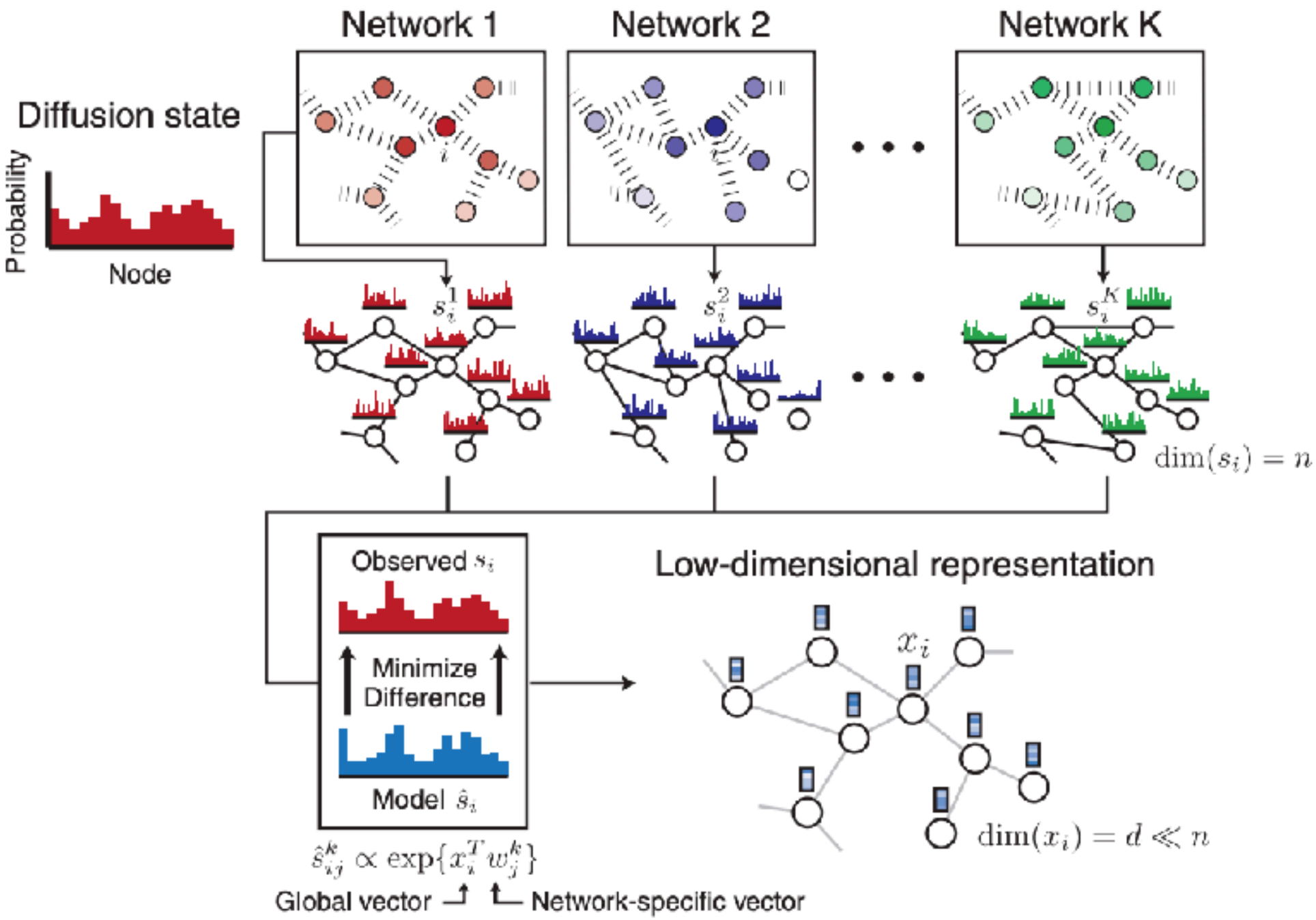


$$\hat{s}_{ij} = \frac{e^{\mathbf{x}_i^{\mathrm{T}}\mathbf{u}_j}}{\sum_k e^{\mathbf{x}_i^{\mathrm{T}}\mathbf{u}_k}} \approx e^{\mathbf{x}_i^{\mathrm{T}}\mathbf{u}_j}$$

Drop the partition function for fast approximation

Loss function: $\min_{\boldsymbol{x},\boldsymbol{u}} C(\boldsymbol{S}, \hat{\boldsymbol{S}}) = \sum_{i=1}^{n}\sum_{j=1}^{n} (\mathbf{x}_i^{\mathrm{T}}\mathbf{u}_j - \log s_{ij})^2$

Network embedding for network integration



Compact Integration of Multi-Network Topology for Functional Analysis of Genes

Recap

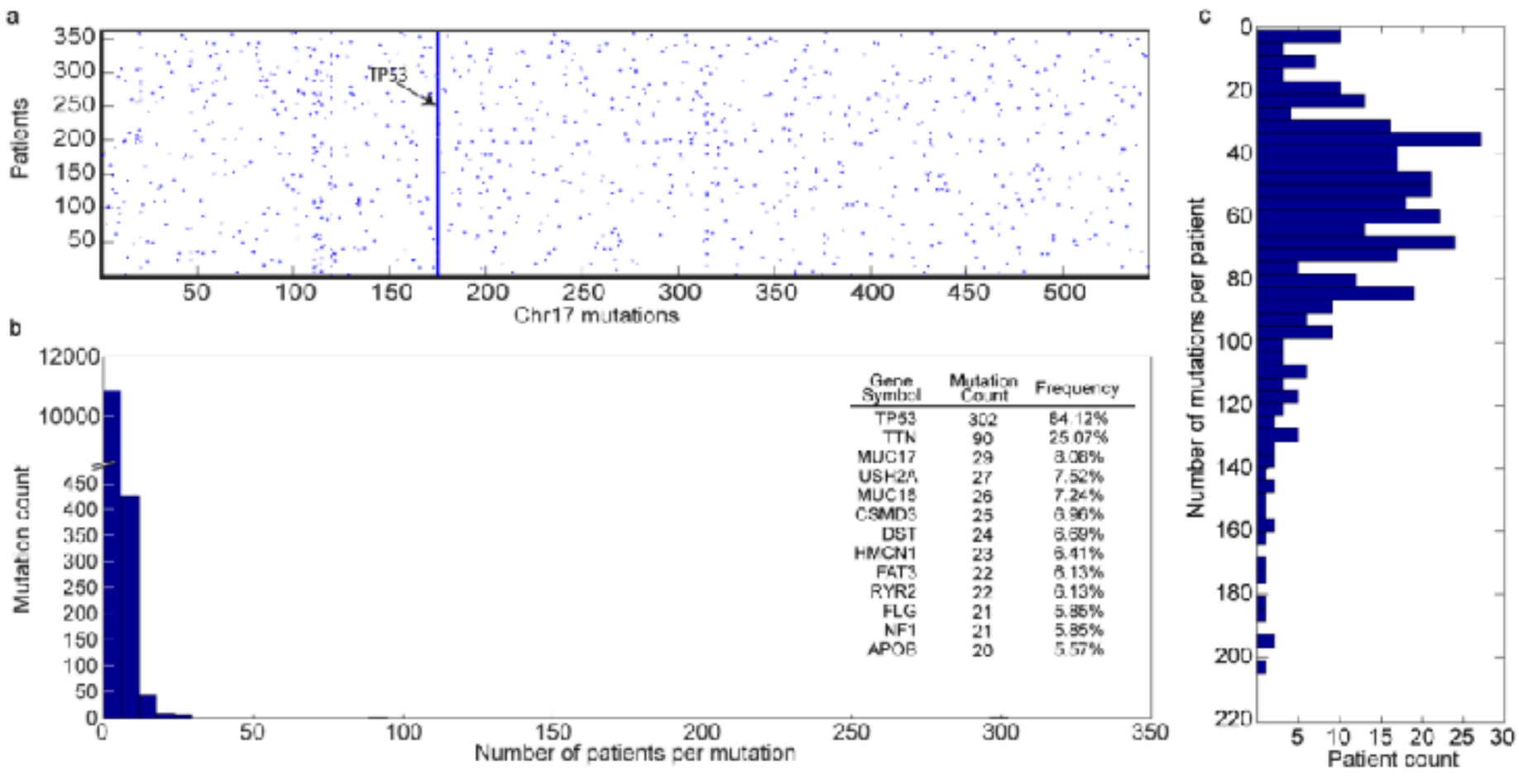
- Guilt-by-association
  - Only use 1st-order neighbors' information
  - A good baseline that works very well in many applications.
- Random walk
  - Find the most important node. Consider all nodes in the graph.
  - Might not converge due to dead end issue
- Random walk with restart
  - Solved dead end issue.
  - Does not have node features. Only one importance score for each node.
- Network embedding
  - Reduce RWR matrix to low-dimensional
  - Better for large and noisy network

Goal

- Tumor stratification: to divide a heterogeneous population into clinically and biologically meaningful subtypes based on molecular profiles

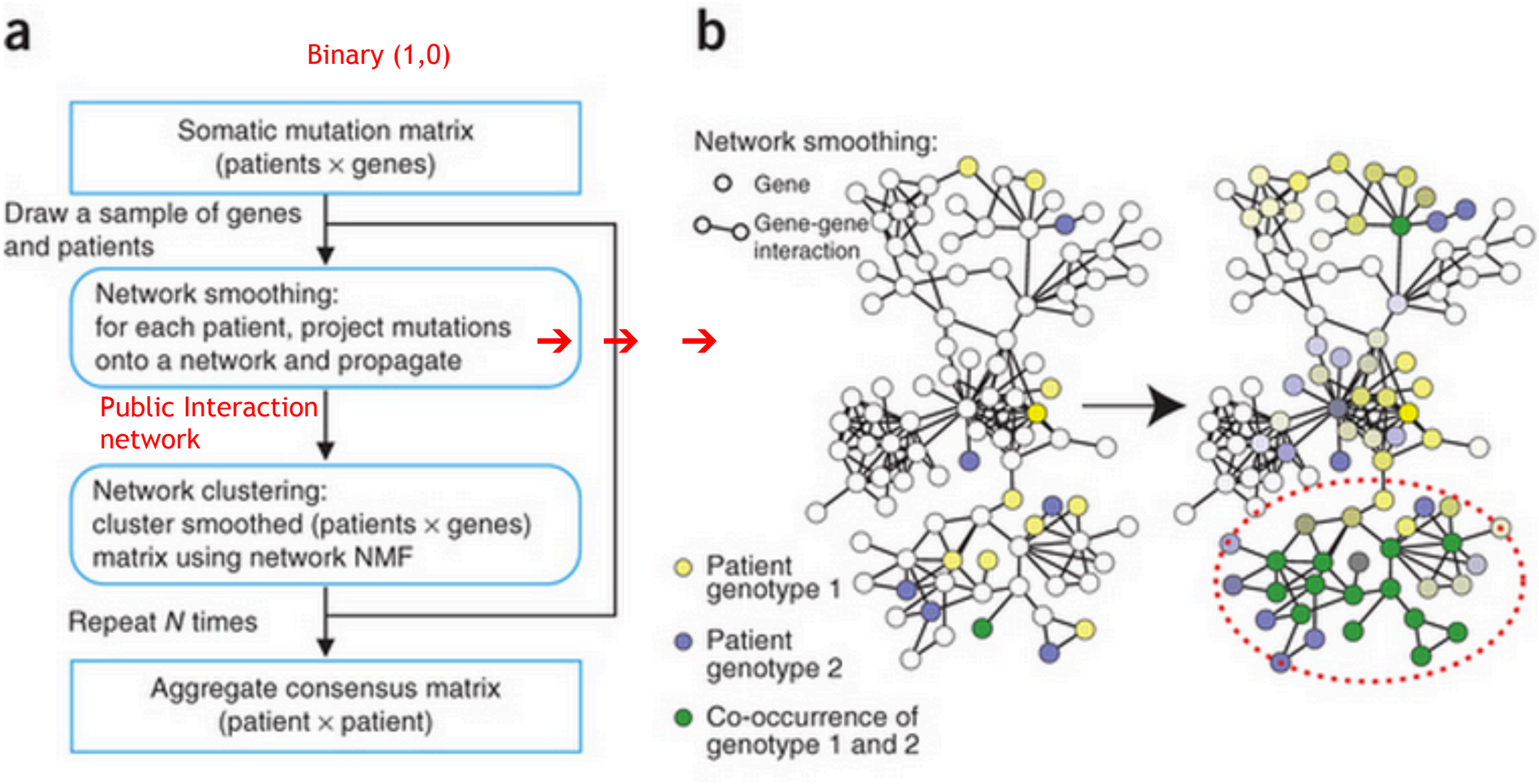
Somatic mutation profile

- Compare the mutations of tumors
- Sparse



Source: Network-based stratification of tumor mutations

Overview of network-based stratification



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Algorithm

Performing random walk with restart for each patient

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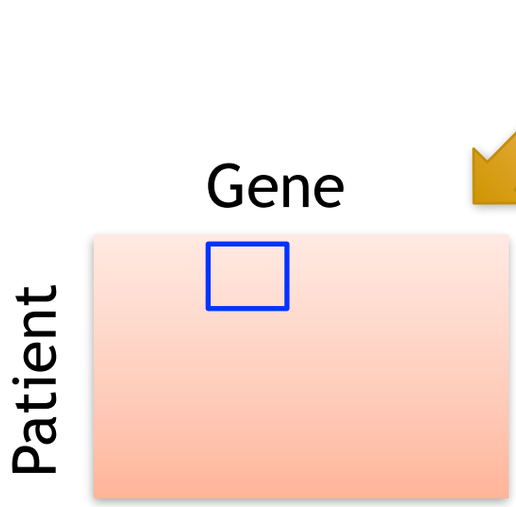
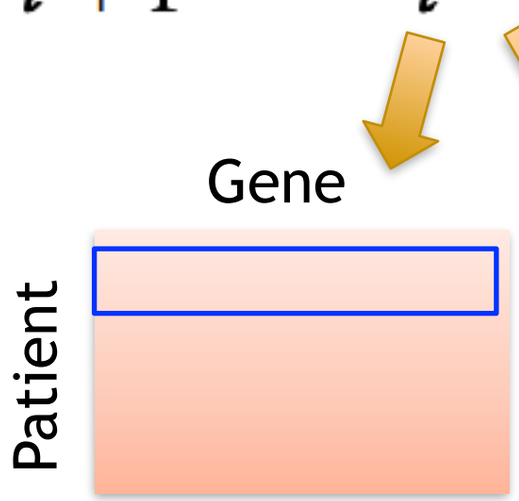
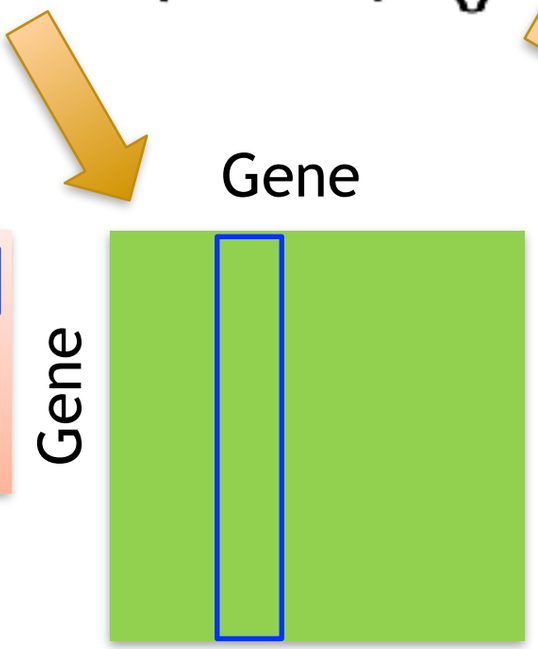


The new mutation status for patient 1, gene j



First consider the mutations for all the genes of patient 1



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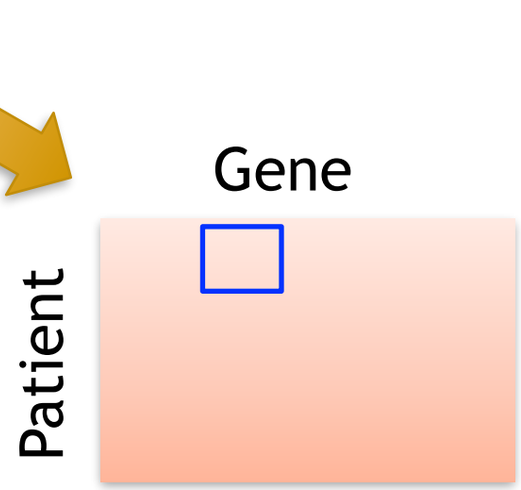

The original patient mutation matrix

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The Math:

use diffusion model on each node to calculate topological similarity

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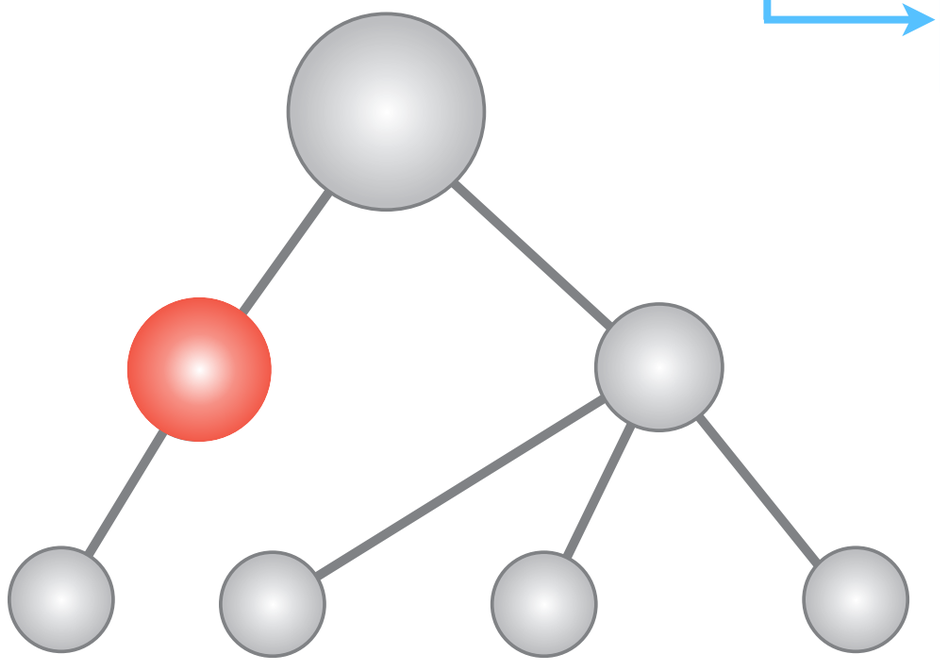

Network smoothing

- $F_{t+1} = \alpha F_t A + (1-\alpha) F_0$

F_0: patients * genes matrix

A: adjacency matrix of the gene interaction network (STRING, HumanNet and PathwayCommons)

α: tuning factor that determines how far a mutation signal can diffuse

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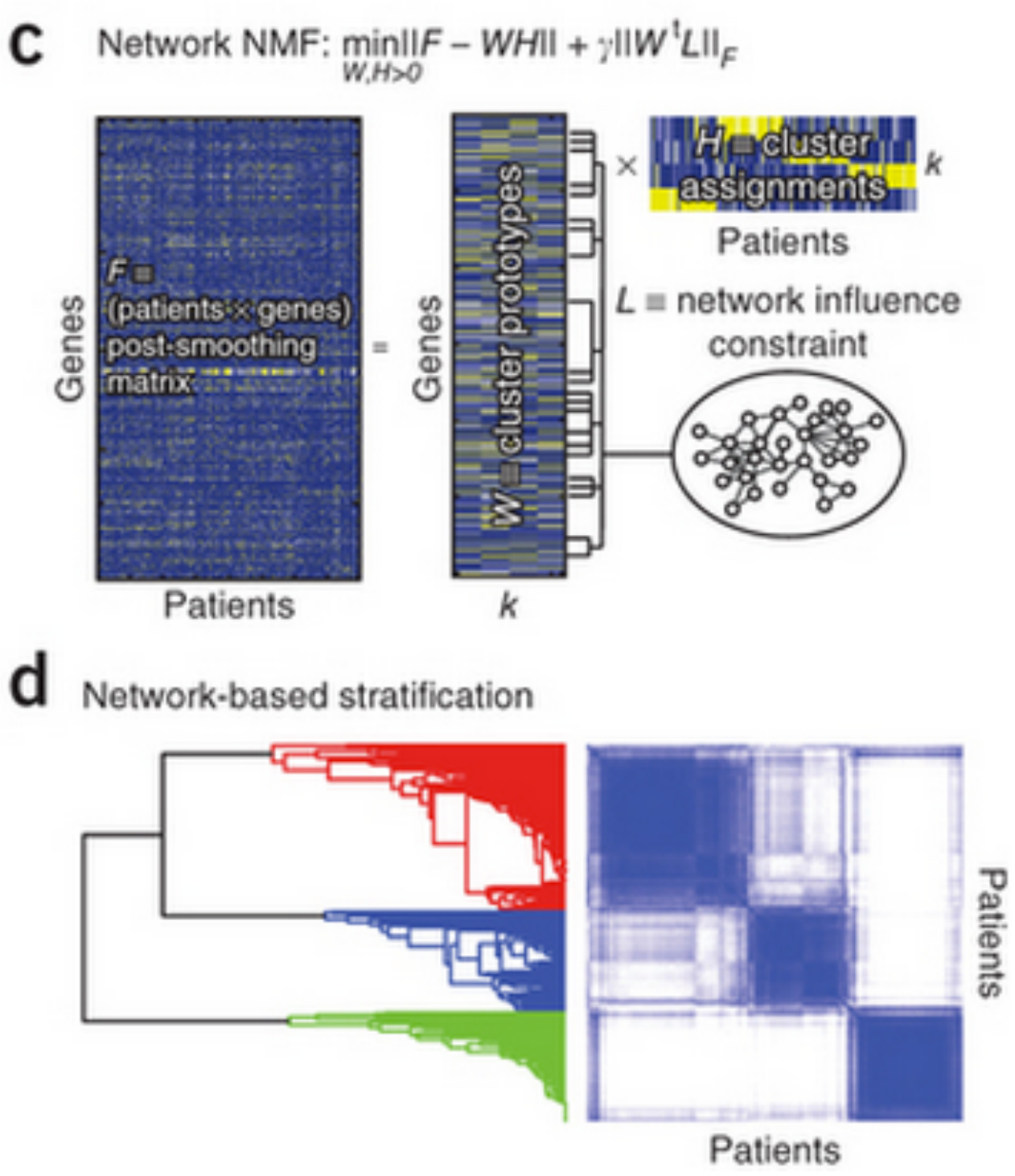

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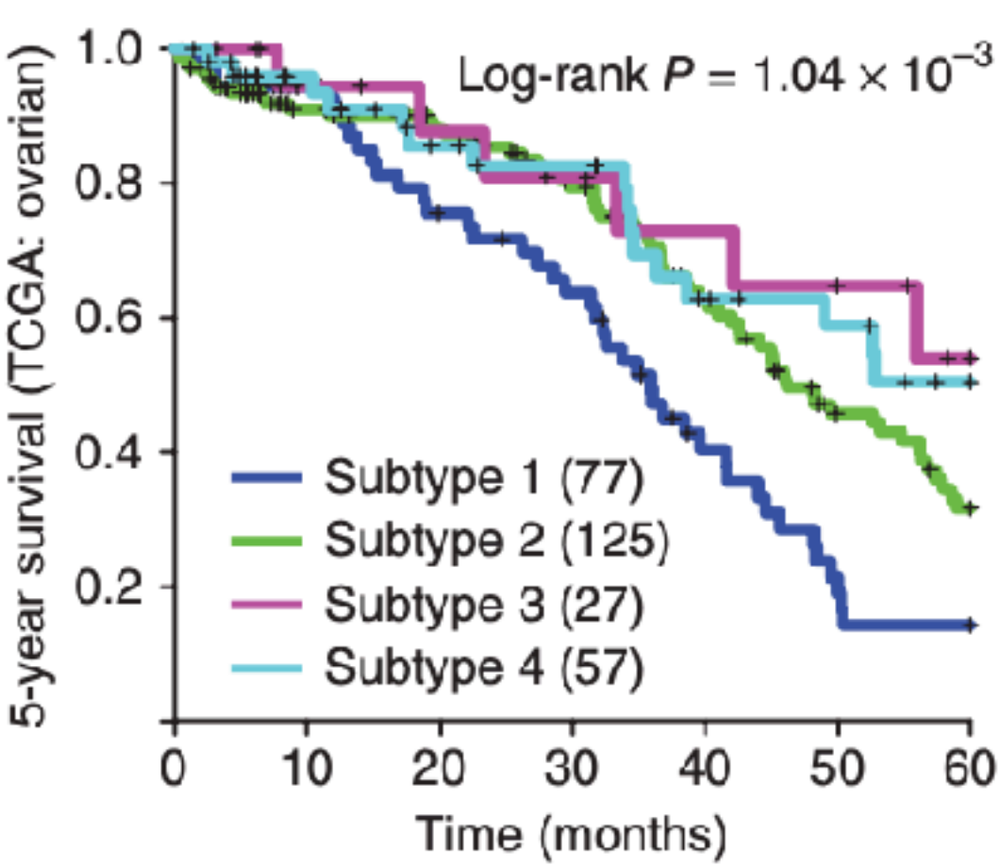
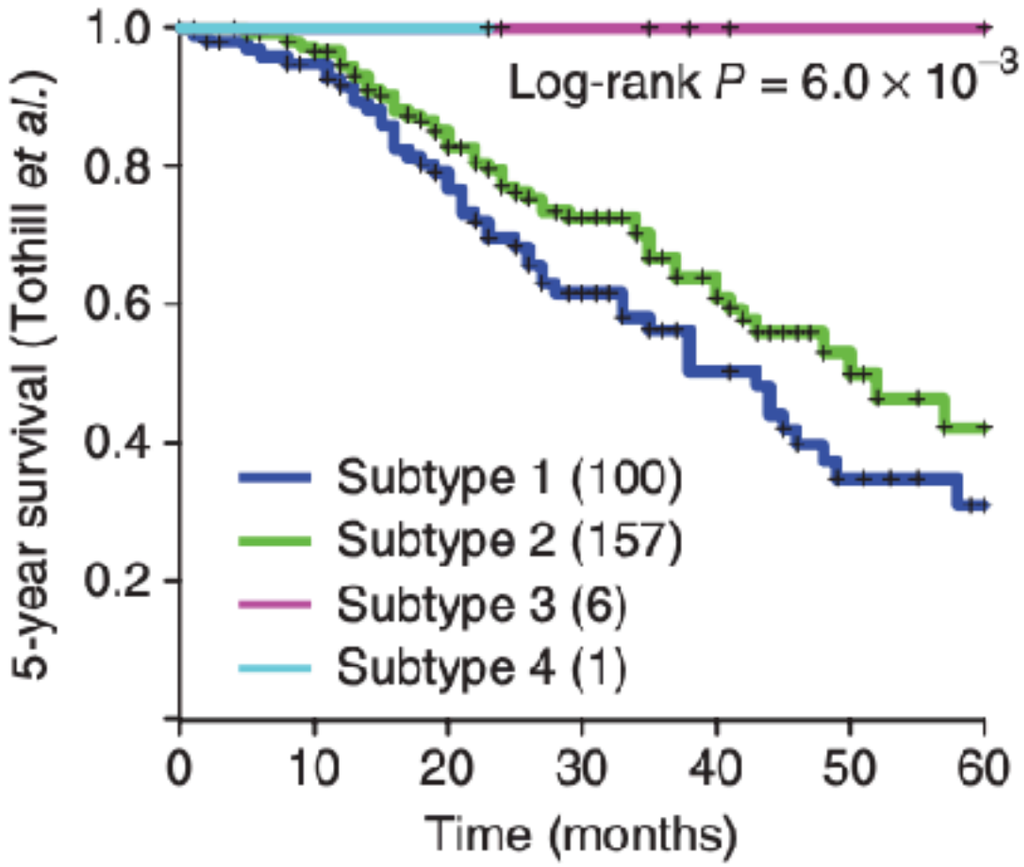
Biological significance

Different clusters of patients have different survival rates !





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Different node features are modeled independently.

This is why we need graph neural network which will model the dependency between features