



## Mining and Forecasting of Big Time-series Data

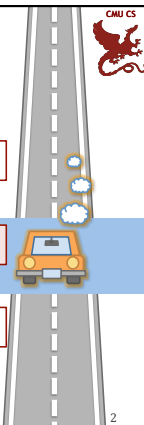
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## Roadmap

- Motivation
- Similarity search, pattern discovery and summarization Part 1
- **Non-linear modeling and forecasting** Part 2
- Extension of time-series data: tensor analysis Part 3



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## Part 2 Roadmap




Problem

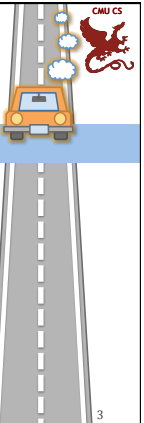
- Why: “non-linear” modeling

Fundamentals



- Non-linear (“gray-box”) models

Applications

- Epidemics 
- Information diffusion 
- (Online) competition 



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## Non-linear mining and forecasting

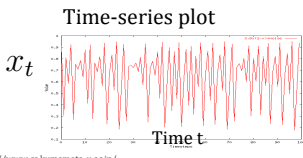
Q. What are “non-linear phenomena”?

**Example: logistic parabola**

Models population of flies [R. May/1976]

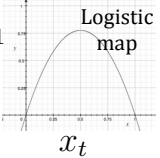
$$x_{t+1} = ax_t \cdot (1 - x_t)$$

Time-series plot





$x_t$

Logistic map



$x_{t+1}$

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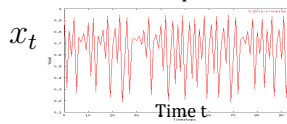
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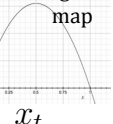
**Given:** a time series  $x_t$

**Predict:** its future course, i.e.,  $x_{t+1}, x_{t+2}, \dots$





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map



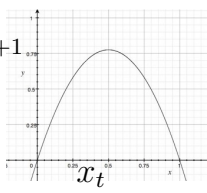
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## How to forecast?

Solution 1

Linear equations, e.g., AR, ARIMA, ...



$x_{t+1}$

$x_t$

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**How to forecast?**

**Solution 1**  
Linear equations, e.g., AR, ARIMA, ...

*Details @ part1*

e.g., AR(1)  
 $x_{t+1} = ax_t + \epsilon$

$x_{t+1}$

$x_t$

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Linear equations, e.g., AR, ARIMA, ...

☹️ **but: linearity assumption**

e.g., AR(1)  
 $x_{t+1} = ax_t + \epsilon$

AR fit: fails

$x_{t+1}$

$x_t$

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**How to forecast?**

**Solution 2**  
“Delayed Coordinate Embedding”  
= Lag Plots [Sauer92]  
- Based on k-nearest neighbor search

$x_{t+1}$

$x_t$

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**General Intuition (Lag Plot)**

**Solution 2**

Lag = 1, k = 4 NN

Interpolate these...

To get the final prediction

$x_t$

$x_{t-1}$

4-NN

New Point

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**Forecasting results (Lag Plot)**

**Solution 2**

Logistic parabola

LORENZ

Laser

Forecast

Original  $x_t$  (red)

Forecasted  $x_{t+1}$  (green)

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- Based on k-nearest neighbor search  
- Non-linear Forecasting!

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**How to forecast?**

**Solution 2**  
 “Delayed Coordinate Embedding”

“Black-box” mining  
 (we don't know the equations)

But, still...  
 Hard to interpret

$x_{t+1}$

$x_t$

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**How to forecast?**

**Solution 3**

“Gray-box” mining  
 (if we know the equations)

Non-linear modeling!

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$x_{t+1}$

$x_t$

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**Solution 3**

Non-linear equations

Big Time series

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**How to forecast?**

**Solution 3**

Non-linear equations

Population growth

Competition

Information diffusion

Convection

Big Time series

Epidemics

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 Why: “non-linear” modeling

**Fundamentals**  
 - Non-linear (grey-box) models

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 - Epidemics  
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 - (Online) competition

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**Part 2 Roadmap**

**Problem**  
 Why: “non-linear” modeling

**Fundamentals**  
 - Non-linear (grey-box) models

- Logistic function
- Lotka-Volterra (prey-predator, competition)
- SI, SIR models, etc.
- Lorenz equations, etc.

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### Grey-box mining and non-linear equations

Convection, Information diffusion, Population growth, Competition, Epidemics, Big Time series

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### Logistic function

So-called “Verhulst” model (=sigmoid, =Bass)  
- Population expansion with limited resources

Species, Foods, eat, t=0, t=1, t=2

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P: Population size

$$\frac{dP}{dt} = rP\left(1 - \frac{P}{K}\right)$$

*P* - Initial condition (i.e.,  $P(0) = p$ )  
*r* - Growth rate, reproductively  
*K* - Carrying capacity (=available resources)

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### Lotka-Volterra equations

So-called “prey-predator” model

Prey (H), Predator (P)


- *H* : count of prey (e.g., hare)
- *P* : count of predators (e.g., lynx)

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### Lotka-Volterra equations

So-called “prey-predator” model



$$\frac{dH}{dt} = rH - aHP$$



Prey (H) Predator (P)

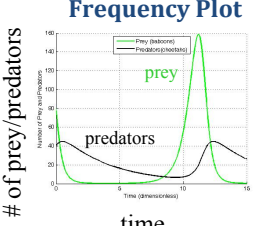
$$\frac{dP}{dt} = bHP - mP$$

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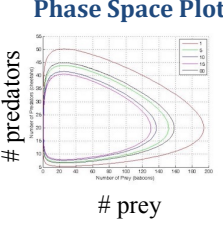
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### Solution to the Lotka-Volterra equations.

#### Frequency Plot



#### Phase Space Plot



From Wikipedia


### Extension: “Competitive” Lotka-Volterra equations

Competition between multiple (d) species


Species

Food


Squirrel monkeys




Spider monkeys




Macaws




Capybaras




Fruits



Nuts



Grass



“Competition” in the Jungle

### “Competitive” Lotka-Volterra equations

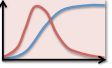
Competition between multiple (d) species

Population of species i      Population of j

$$\frac{dP_i}{dt} = r_i P_i \left( 1 - \frac{\sum_{j=1}^d a_{ij} P_j}{K_i} \right)$$

(i = 1, ..., d)

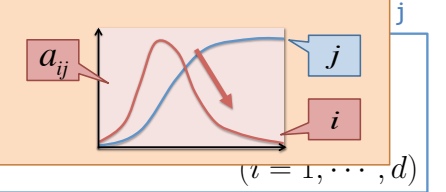
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i.e., effect rate of species j on i



### “Competitive” Lotka-Volterra equations

Competition between multiple (d) species

Population of species i



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### “Competitive” Lotka-Volterra equations

- Biological interaction
  - Table: Type of interaction

	Species B		
	+	0	-
Species A	+	Mutualism	
0	Commensalism	Neutralism	
-	Antagonism	Amensalism	Competition

0 : no effect  
- : detrimental  
+ : beneficial

### Grey-box mining and non-linear equations

Information diffusion  
Convection  
Population growth  
Competition  
Big Time series  
Epidemics

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### Epidemics: Susceptible-Infected (SI) model

Each node is in one of two states

**S** - Susceptible (healthy)  
**I** - Infected

**S**  $\xrightarrow{\beta}$  **I**

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N nodes  
Susceptible / healthy  
Time t=0

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infected!  
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Time t=1

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$\beta$  : infection rate  
Prob.  $\beta$

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Time t=1  
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### Epidemics: Susceptible-Infected (SI) model

Each node is in one of two states

$\frac{dS}{dt} = -\beta SI$   
 $\frac{dI}{dt} = +\beta SI$

$N = S(t) + I(t)$   
 $\beta$  : Infection strength  
 $N$  : Population size

i.e.,  $\frac{dI}{dt} = \beta(N - I)I$

**S**  $\xrightarrow{\beta}$  **I**

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**SI model**

$$\frac{dI}{dt} = \beta N \cdot I\left(1 - \frac{I}{N}\right)$$

i.e.,  $\frac{dI}{dt} = \beta(N - I)I$

Legend: S (Susceptible), I (Infected)

Rate:  $\beta$

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**Susceptible-Infected-recovered (SIR) model**

Recovered with immunity

S - Susceptible (healthy)

I - Infected

R - Recovered (immune)

Legend: S (Susceptible), I (Infected), R (Recovered)

Rate:  $\beta$  : Infection rate,  $\delta$  : Recovery rate

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**Susceptible-Infected-recovered (SIR) model**

Recovered with immunity

Legend: S (Susceptible), I (Infected), R (Recovered)

N nodes (healthy)

t=0

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**Susceptible-Infected-recovered (SIR) model**

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t=1

infection

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**Susceptible-Infected-recovered (SIR) model**

Recovered with immunity

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t=2

Propagation

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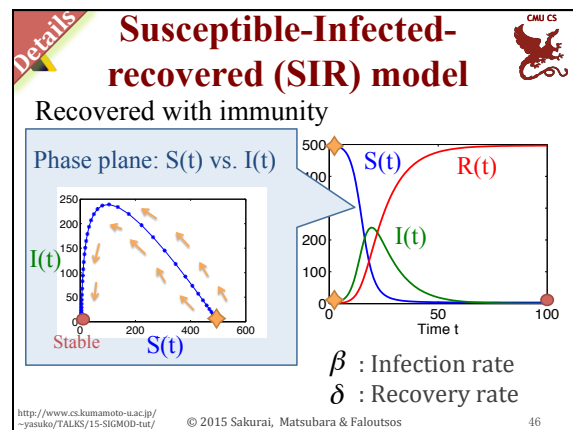
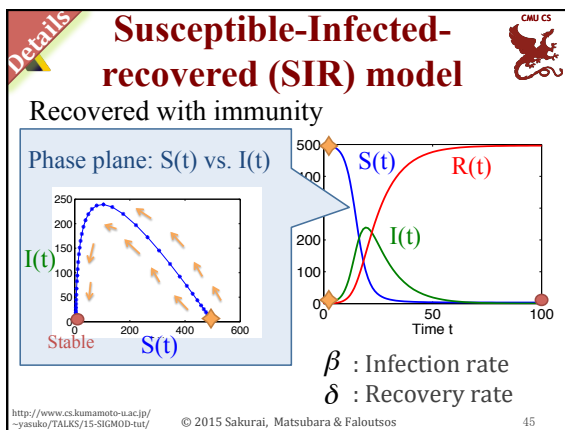
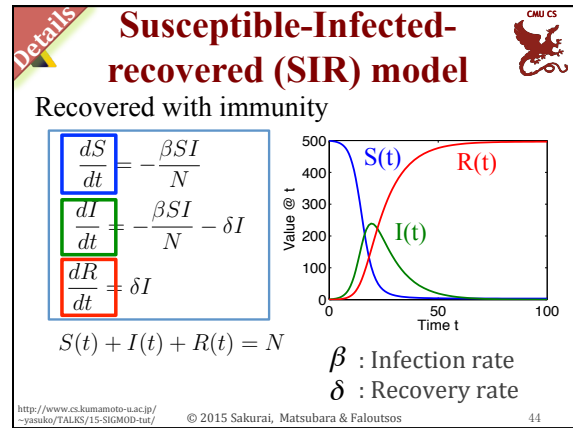
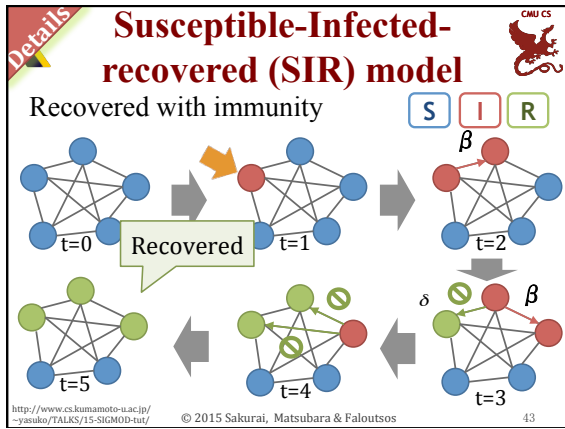
Recovered with immunity

Legend: S (Susceptible), I (Infected), R (Recovered)

t=3

Recovered (no more infection)

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**Other epidemic models**

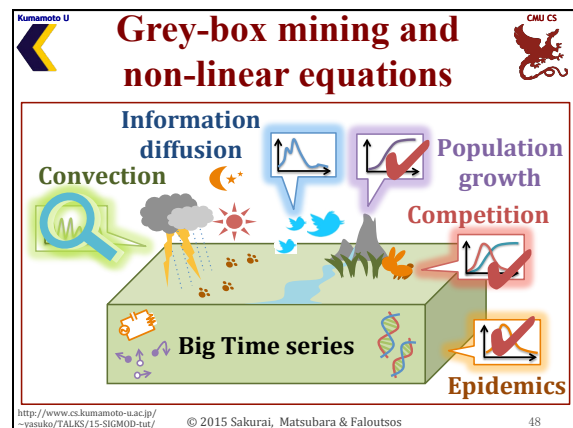
Other virus propagation models (“VPM”)

- SIS : susceptible-infected-susceptible, flu-like
- SIRS : temporary immunity, like pertussis
- SEIR : mumps-like, with virus incubation (E = Exposed)
- SEIR-birth/death: with birth/death rate

Underlying contact-network

- ‘who-can-infect-whom’

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**Other non-linear models**

LORENZ: eqs. for atmospheric convection

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = \sigma(y - x)$$

$$\frac{dy}{dt} = x(\rho - z) - y$$

$$\frac{dz}{dt} = xy - \beta z$$

- x: convective intensity
- y: temperature difference between ascending and descending currents
- z: difference in vertical temperature profile from linearity

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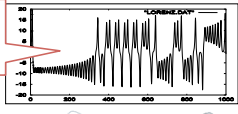
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Butterfly effect (chaos)



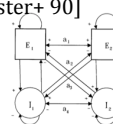
Lorenz attractor

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**Other non-linear models**

- Van del Pol oscillator
  - Electric circuits, heart-beats, neurons
- FitzHugh-Nagumo model
  - An excitable system (e.g., a neuron)
- Excitatory-inhibitory (EI) model
  - Neuronal oscillations in the visual cortex
  - Epilepsy
- ...
- ...

Limit cycle



[Schuster+ 90]

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**Problem**

- ✓ Why: “non-linear” modeling

**Fundamentals**

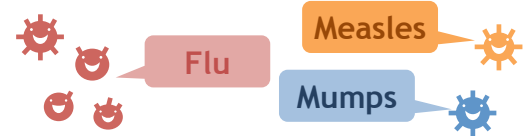
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**Applications**

- Epidemics (skips, competition, “shocks”)
- Information diffusion
- Online competition

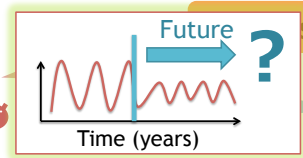
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**Mining and forecasting of co-evolving epidemics**



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**Mining and forecasting of co-evolving epidemics**



Time (years)

Future ?

Q. Can we forecast future epidemics?

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**Epidemics - roadmap**

**A. Non-linear (gray-box) modeling!**

**Solutions**

- Outbreak vs. Skips [Stone+ Nature'07]
- Interaction between diseases [Rohani+ Nature'03]
- FUNNEL [Matsubara+ KDD'14]

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**Recurrent epidemics: Outbreak or skip?**

• Time series of reported measles cases [Stone+ Nature'07]

**New York**

**London**

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**Q. Outbreak vs. skip?**

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**Recurrent epidemics: Outbreak or skip?**

• Conditions for predicting “outbreak vs. skip” [Stone+ Nature'07]

– SIR model with high/low seasons

Phase plane diagram (S vs. log(I))

Contact rate  
 $\beta+$  : high season  
 $\beta-$  : low season

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**Threshold  $S_c$ : "Outbreak vs. Skip"**

$$S_0 > S_c = \frac{\gamma + \mu}{\beta_0} - \frac{\mu\chi}{2} \Rightarrow \text{epidemic}$$

if  $S_0 < S_c$  there is a skip in the following year.

$\gamma$ : recover rate  
 $\mu$ : birth/death rate  
 $\beta_0$ : infection rate  
 $\chi$ : time period

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**Epidemics - roadmap**

**A. Non-linear (gray-box) modeling!**

**Solutions**

- Outbreak vs. Skips [Stone+ Nature'07]
- Interaction between diseases [Rohani+ Nature'03]
- FUNNEL [Matsubara+ KDD'14]

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**Ecological interference between fatal diseases**

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Q. Any relationship (i.e., interaction) between two different diseases (e.g., measles vs. whooping cough)?

A. Yes. There are “competing” diseases!

Measles VS. Whooping cough

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Birmingham Glasgow

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Biennial (opposite) cycles

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Extension of SIR model [Rohani+'98]

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**Ecological interference between fatal diseases**

Equations for 3 disease model [Rohani+ Nature'03]

$$\frac{dS_{SSS}}{dt} = \nu N(1-p) - \mu S_{SSS} - \frac{\beta_1(t)S_{SSS}}{N}(I_{RR} + I_{IR} + I_{TR} + I_{TT}) - \frac{\beta_2(t)S_{SSS}}{N}(I_{RR} + I_{RT} + I_{TR} + I_{TT}) - \frac{\beta_3(t)S_{SSS}}{N}(I_{RR} + I_{RI} + I_{RI} + I_{TI})$$

$$\frac{dI_{TR}}{dt} = \frac{\beta_1(t)S_{SSS}}{N}(I_{RR} + I_{IR} + I_{TR} + I_{TT}) - (\mu + \gamma_1)I_{TR}$$

$$\frac{dI_{IR}}{dt} = \frac{\beta_1(t)S_{SSS}}{N}(I_{RR} + I_{IR} + I_{TR} + I_{TT}) - (\mu + \gamma_1)I_{IR}$$

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## Epidemics - roadmap

Non-linear (gray-box) modeling!

**Solutions**

- E1. Outbreak vs. Skips [Stone+ Nature'07]
- E2. Interaction between diseases [Rohani+ Nature'03]
- **E3. FUNNEL [Matsubara+ KDD'14]**

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## FUNNEL [Matsubara+ KDD'14]

### with a single epidemic

e.g., Measles cases in the U.S.

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## FUNNEL [Matsubara+ KDD'14]

### with a single epidemic

With a single epidemic: Funnel-RE

People of 3 classes

- **S** : Susceptible
- **I** : Infected
- **V** : Vigilant/  
vaccinated

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## FUNNEL [Matsubara+ KDD'14]

### with a single epidemic

With a single epidemic: Funnel-RE

$$\begin{aligned} S(t+1) &= S(t) - \beta(t)\epsilon(t)S(t)I(t) + \gamma V(t) - \theta(t)S(t) \\ I(t+1) &= I(t) + \beta(t)\epsilon(t)S(t)I(t) - \delta I(t) \\ V(t+1) &= V(t) + \delta I(t) - \gamma V(t) + \theta(t)S(t) \end{aligned} \quad (3)$$

**S(t)** : susceptible  
**I(t)** : Infected  
**V(t)** : Vigilant /Vaccinated

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$\beta(t)$  : strength of infection  
(yearly periodic func)

$$\beta(t) = \beta_0 \cdot \left(1 + P_a \cdot \cos\left(\frac{2\pi}{P_p}(t + P_s)\right)\right)$$

$P_p = 52$

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$\delta$  : healing rate  
 $\theta(t)$  : disease reduction effect

$$\theta(t) = \begin{cases} 0 & (t < t_\theta) \\ \theta_0 & (t \geq t_\theta) \end{cases}$$

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**FUNNEL** [Matsubara+ KDD'14] CMU CS

### with a single epidemic

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$\epsilon(t)$  : temporal susceptible rate

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### with a single epidemic

With a single epidemic: Funnel-RE

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**FUNNEL: Details @ part3**

$\epsilon(t)$  : temporal susceptible rate

**+ tensor analysis**

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**Part 2 Roadmap**

**Problem**

- Why: “non-linear” modeling

**Fundamentals**

- Non-linear (grey-box) models

**Applications**

- Epidemics
- Information diffusion
- Online competition

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**Information diffusion in social networks**

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**Information diffusion in social networks**

**Q. How news/rumors spread in social media?**

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**News spread in social media**


MemeTracker [Leskovec+ KDD'09]


- Short phrases sourced from U.S. politics in 2008

“you can put lipstick on a pig” (# of mentions in blogs)

“yes we can”

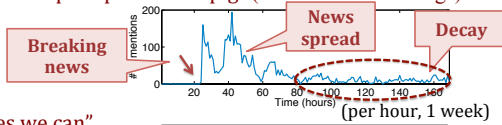
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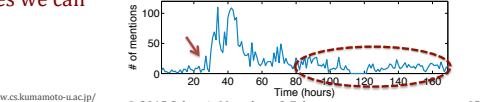
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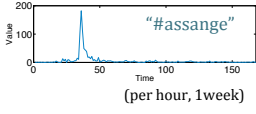
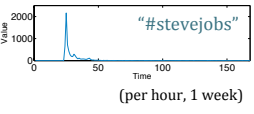
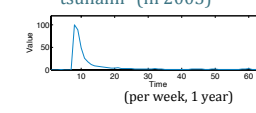
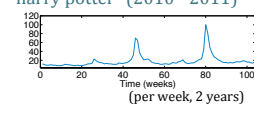


"yes we can"




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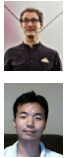
- Twitter (# of hashtags per hour)
  - "#assange"  (per hour, 1 week)
  - "#stevejobs"  (per hour, 1 week)
- Google trend (# of queries per week)
  - "tsunami" (in 2005)  (per week, 1 year)
  - "harry potter" (2010 - 2011)  (per week, 2 years)

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**News spread in social media** 

Q. How many patterns are there?

- Four classes on YouTube, etc. [Crane et al. PNAS'08]
- Six classes on Social media [Yang et al. WSDM'11]

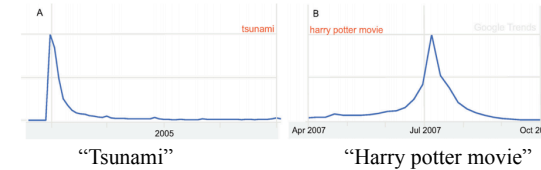


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[Crane et al. PNAS'08]

- The volume of Google searches

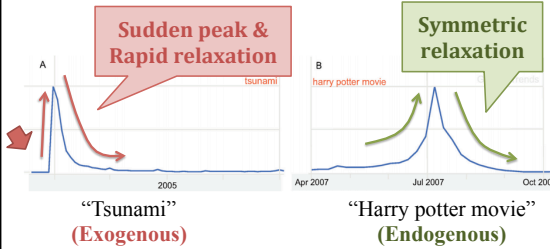


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**News spread in social media** 

[Crane et al. PNAS'08]

- Based on self-excited Hawkes Poisson process\*

$$\frac{dB(t)}{dt} = S(t) + \sum_{i, t_i \leq t} \mu_i \cdot \phi(t - t_i)$$

\*[Hawkes+ 1974]

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Rate of spread of infection/propagation    Exogenous /External source    # of Potential viewers    Decaying virus/news strength

\*[Hawkes+ 1974]

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$\phi(t) \sim \frac{1}{t^{1+\theta}} \quad (0 < \theta < 1)$

Decaying virus/news strength (Power law)

\*[Hawkes+ 1974]

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### News spread in social media

[Crane et al. PNAS'08]

- Four classes on YouTube

Sub-Critical    Critical

Endogenous    Exogenous

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### News spread in social media

[Crane et al. PNAS'08]

- Four classes on YouTube

Endogenous    Exogenous

$A_{en-sc}(t) \approx \eta(t)$      $A_{en-c}(t) \approx \frac{1}{|t - t_c|^{1-2\theta}}$

$A_{bare}(t) \approx \frac{1}{(t - t_c)^{1+\theta}}$      $A_{ex-c}(t) \approx \frac{1}{(t - t_c)^{1-\theta}}$

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### News spread in social media

[Crane et al. PNAS'08]

- Four classes on YouTube

Harry Potter    Tsunami

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### News spread in social media

[Yang et al. WSDM'11]

- Six classes of information diffusion patterns on social media

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**News spread in social media**

Q. How many patterns are there, after all?

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**News spread in social media**

A. Our answer is "ONE"!

A single non-linear model!

**"SpikeM"**

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[Matsubara+ KDD'12]

**Rise and Fall Patterns of Information Diffusion: Model and Implications**

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**Rise and fall patterns in social media**

SpikeM captures 3 properties of real spike

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### Rise and fall patterns in social media

SpikeM captures 3 properties of real spike

1. periodicities
2. avoid infinity
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**SpikeM can capture behavior of real spikes using few parameters**

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### Main idea (details)

- 1. **Un-informed bloggers** (clique of N bloggers/nodes)

Nodes (bloggers) consist of two states

- U – Un-informed of rumor
- B – informed, and **B**logged about rumor

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### Main idea (details)

- 1. **Un-informed bloggers** (clique of N bloggers/nodes)
- 2. **External shock** at time  $n_b$  (e.g. breaking news)

**External shock**

- Event happened at time  $n_b$
- $S_b$  bloggers are informed, blog about news

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- 1. **Un-informed bloggers** (clique of N bloggers/nodes)
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- 3. **Infection** (word-of-mouth effects)

**Infectiveness of a blog-post**

- $\beta$  – Strength of infection (quality of news)
- $f(n)$  – Decay function (how infective a blog posting is)

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**Decay function:**  $f(n) = \beta * n^{-1.5}$  (news)

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### SpikeM-base (details)

Equations of SpikeM (base)

$$\Delta B(n+1) = U(n) \cdot \sum_{t=n_b}^n (\Delta B(t) + S(t)) \cdot f(n+1-t) + \epsilon$$

**Blogged**

$$U(n+1) = U(n) - \Delta B(n+1)$$

**Un-informed**

- $N$  – Total population of available bloggers
- $\beta$  – Strength of infection/news
- $n_b, S_b$  – External shock  $S_b$  at birth (time  $n_b$ )
- $\epsilon$  – Background noise

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### SpikeM - periodicity

Full equation of SpikeM

$$\Delta B(n+1) = p(n+1) \cdot U(n) \cdot \sum_{t=n_b}^n (\Delta B(t) + S(t)) \cdot f(n+1-t) + \epsilon$$

Blogged Periodicity

$$U(n+1) = U(n) - \Delta B(n+1)$$

Un-informed

Bloggers change their activity over time (e.g., daily, weekly, yearly)

12pm Peak activity  
3am Low activity  
p(n)  
Time n

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### Model fitting (Details)

- SpikeM consists of 7 parameters  $\theta = \{N, \beta, n_b, S_b, \epsilon, P_a, P_s\}$

Learning parameters

- Given a real time sequence  $X = \{X(1), \dots, X(n), \dots, X(n_d)\}$
- Minimize the error (Levenberg-Marquardt (LM) fitting)

$$D(X, \theta) = \sum_{n=1}^{n_d} (X(n) - \Delta B(n))^2$$

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### Analysis

SpikeM matches reality exponential rise and power-law fall

rise fall  
Value  
Time  
-- SI  
-- spikeM  
o Original

**SpikeM vs. SI model (susceptible infected model)**

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### Analysis

rise fall  
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Reverse x-axis

Linear-log  
Log-log

**Rise-part**  
SpikeM: exponential  
SI model: exponential

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### Analysis

rise fall  
Value  
Time  
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**Fall-part**  
SpikeM: power law  
SI model: exponential

**SpikeM matches reality**

Linear-log  
Log-log  
power law

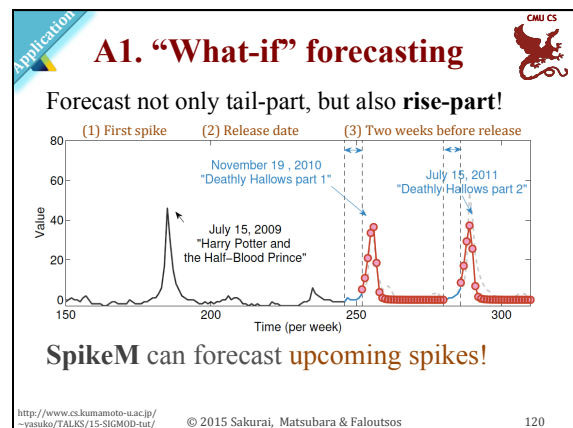
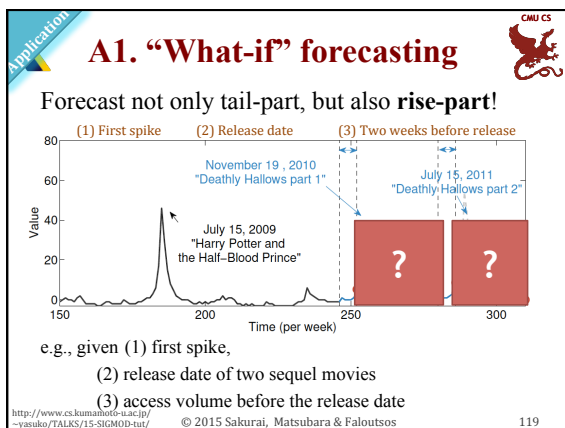
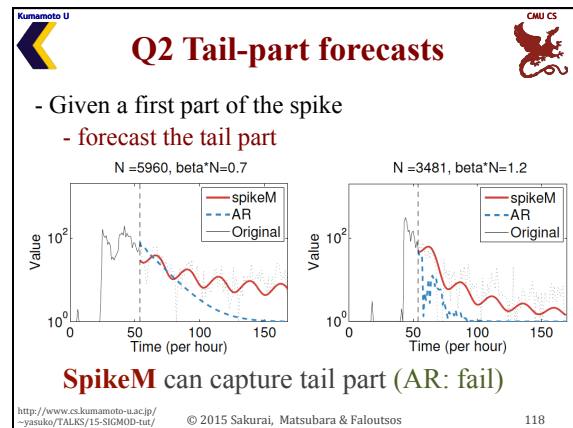
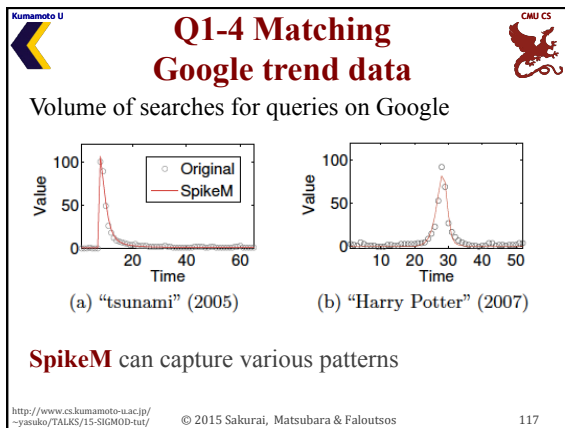
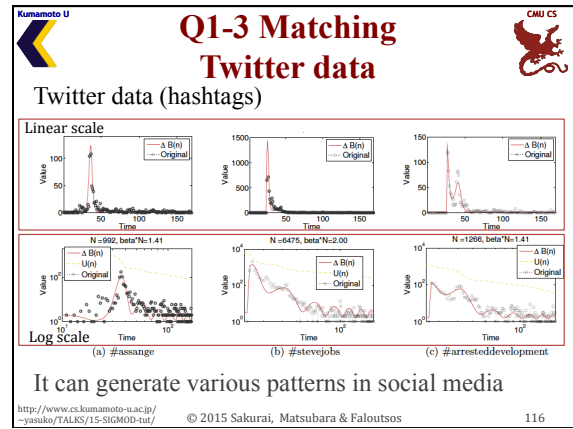
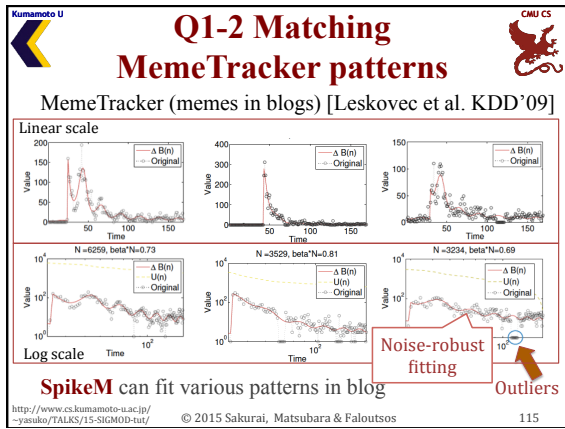
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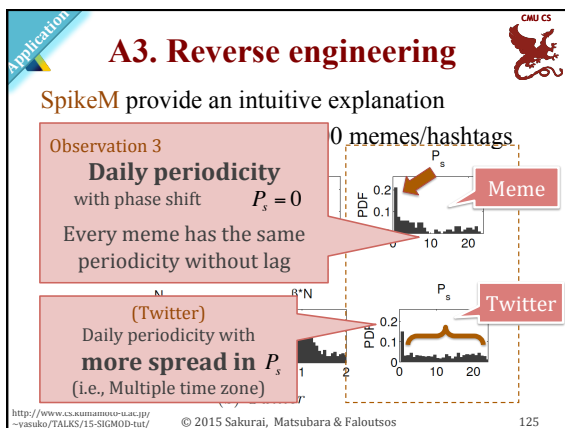
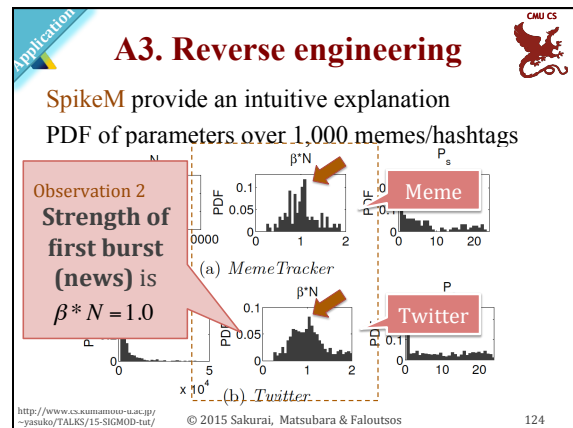
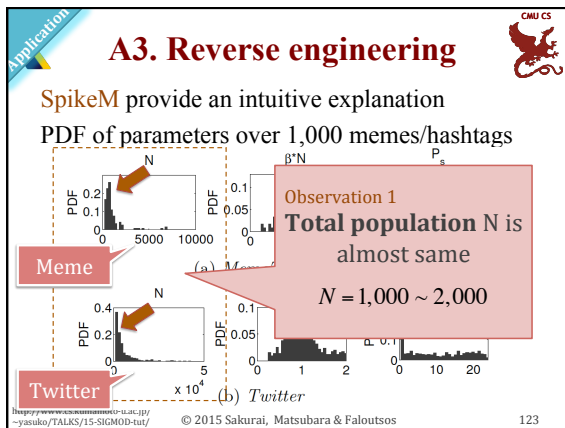
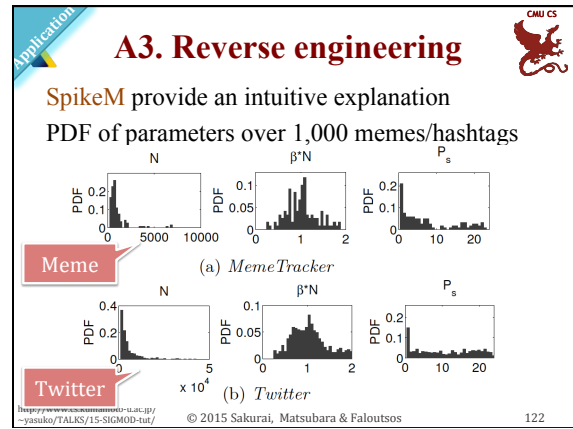
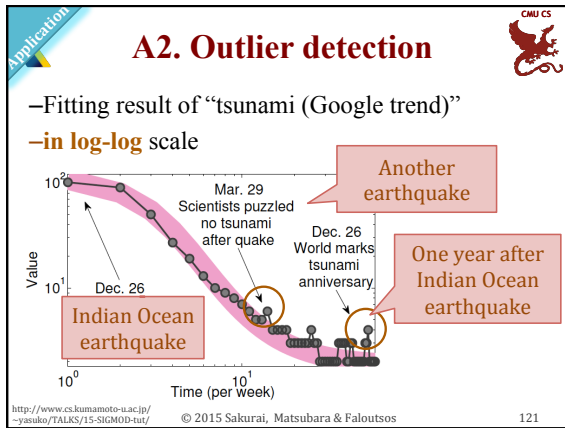
### Q1-1 Explaining K-SC clusters

—Six patterns of K-SC [Yang et al. WSDM'11]

- SpikeM can generate all patterns in K-SC

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## Part 2 Roadmap

- Problem**
  - Why: “non-linear” modeling
- Fundamentals**
  - Non-linear (grey-box) models
- Applications**
  - Epidemics
  - Information diffusion vs. Apple
  - Online competition

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Q. How can we describe "virtual competition"?

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**Competing contagions**

[Prakash+ WWW'12]

Contagions: viruses, online activities

**iPhone v Android      Blu-ray v HD-DVD**

Q. What happen when two viruses compete?

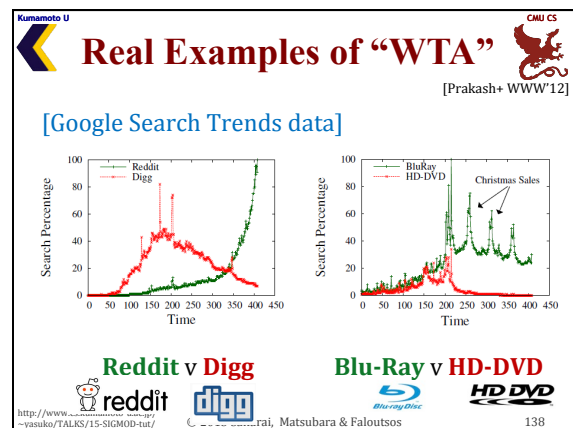
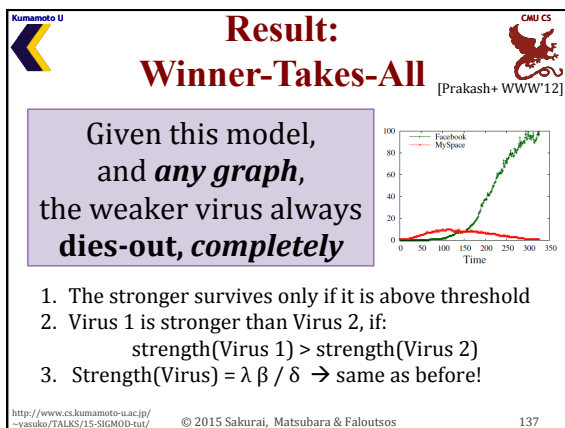
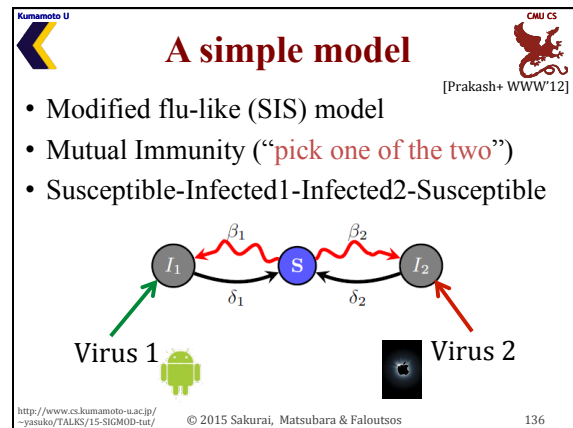
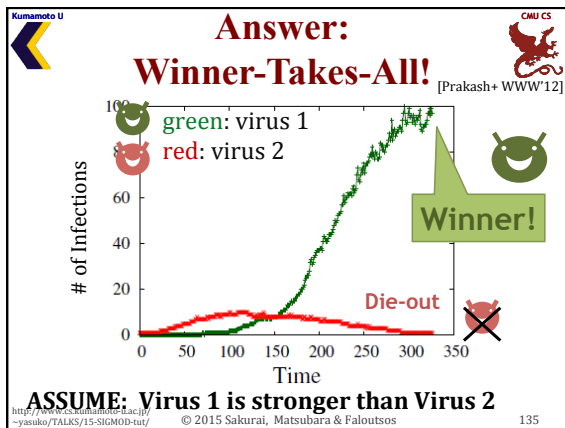
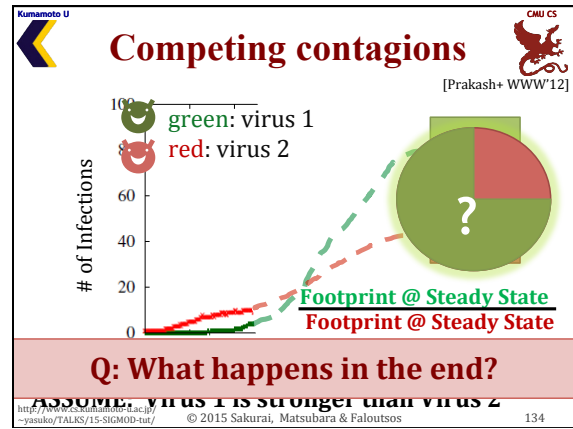
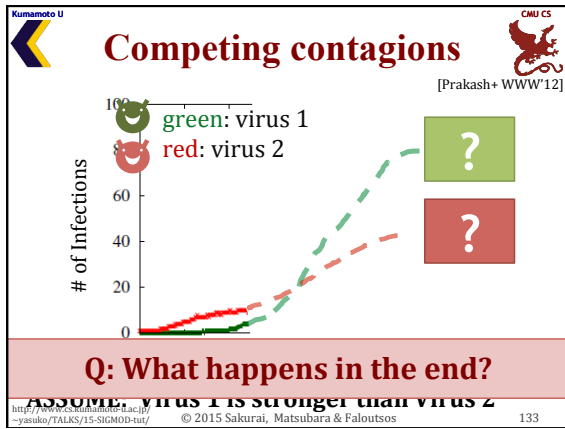
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## Interacting Viruses: Can Both Survive?

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Real example of “co-existence”  
[Google Search Trends data]

**Hulu v Blockbuster**

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**Chrome v Firefox**

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## A simple model: $SI_1I_2S$

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- Modified flu-like (SIS)
- Susceptible-Infected<sub>1</sub> or 2-Susceptible
- Interaction Factor  $\epsilon$ 
  - Full Mutual Immunity:  $\epsilon = 0$
  - Partial Mutual Immunity (competition):  $\epsilon < 0$
  - Cooperation:  $\epsilon > 0$

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## Question: What happens in the end?

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$\epsilon = 0$

Winner takes all

$\epsilon = 1$

Co-exist independently

$\epsilon = 2$

Viruses cooperate

What about for  $0 < \epsilon < 1$ ?

Is there a point at which both viruses can co-exist?

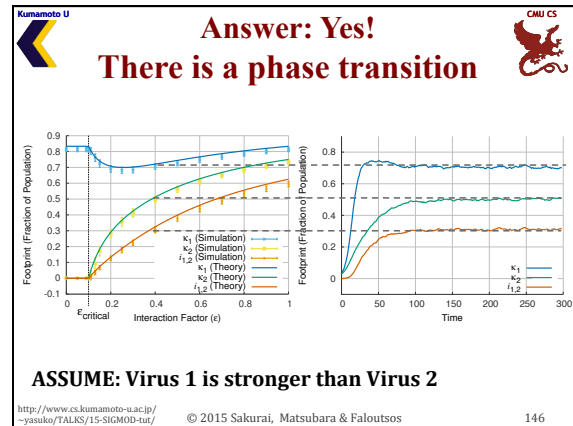
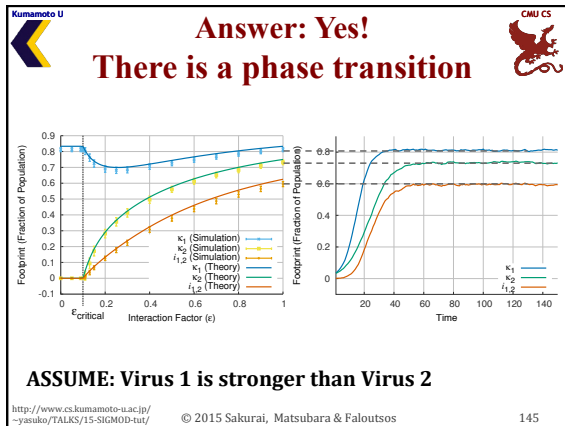
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## Answer: Yes! There is a phase transition

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**Result:**  
**Viruses can Co-exist**

Given this model and a fully connected graph, there exists an  $\epsilon_{critical}$  such that for  $\epsilon \geq \epsilon_{critical}$ , there is a fixed point where both viruses survive.

1. The stronger survives only if it is above threshold
2. Virus 1 is stronger than Virus 2, if:  $strength(Virus\ 1) > strength(Virus\ 2)$
3.  $Strength(Virus) \sigma = N \beta / \delta$

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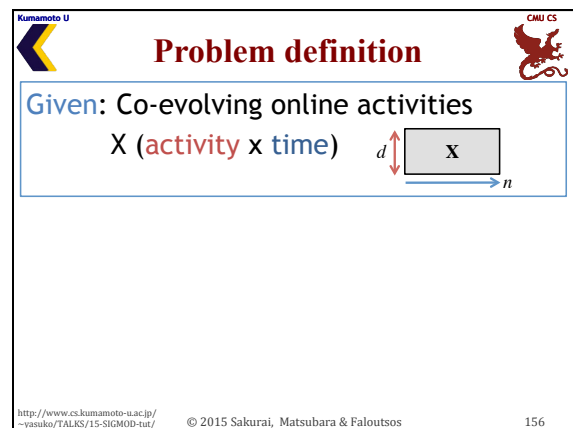
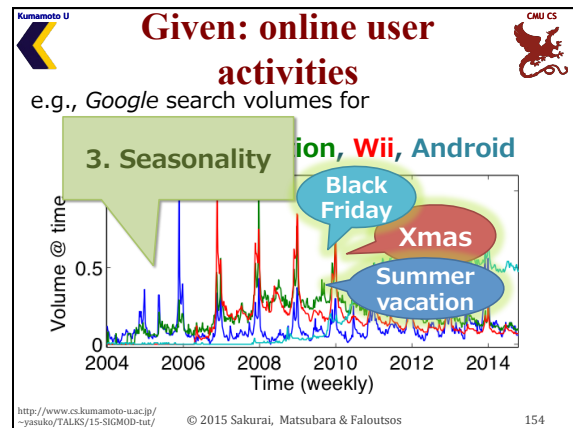
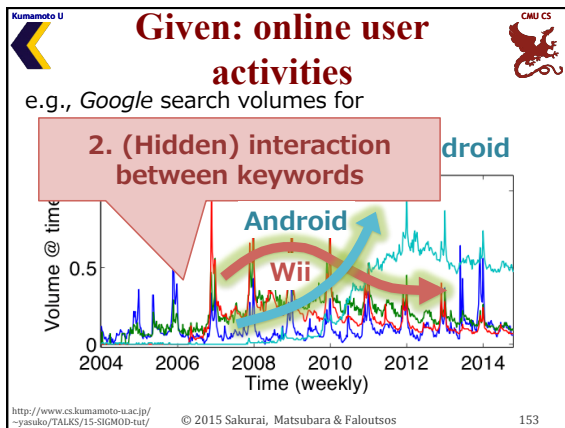
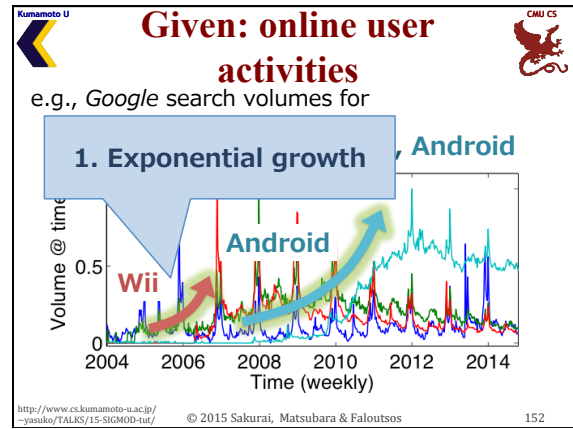
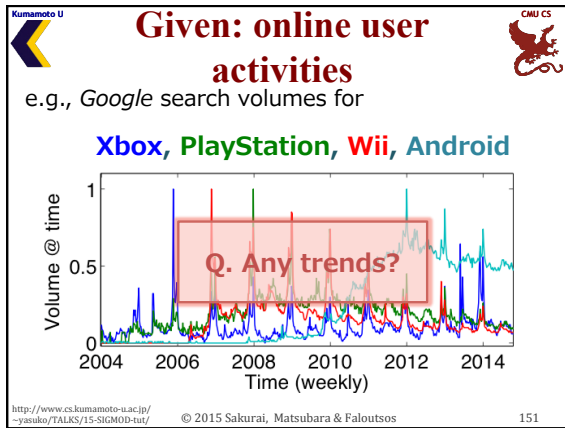
**The Web as a Jungle: Non-Linear Dynamical Systems for Co-evolving Online Activities**

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Find: Compact description of  $X$

EcoWeb

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**Questions**

Q1 Q2 Q3

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Q1 (games)

Who is the competitor?

Wii vs. ?

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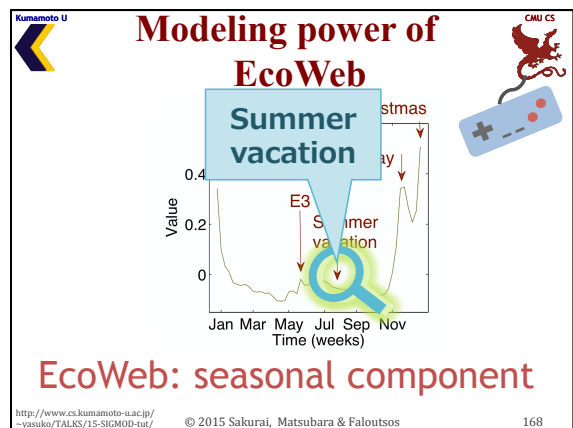
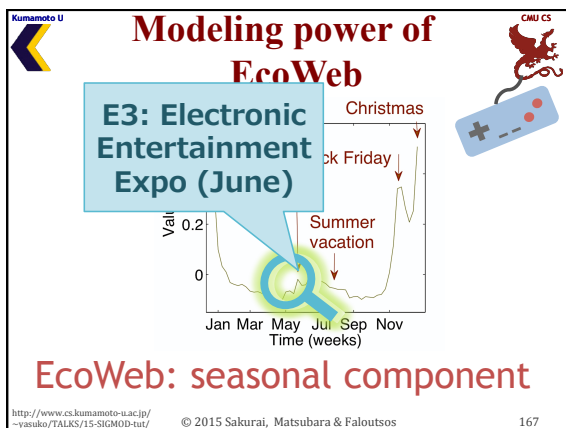
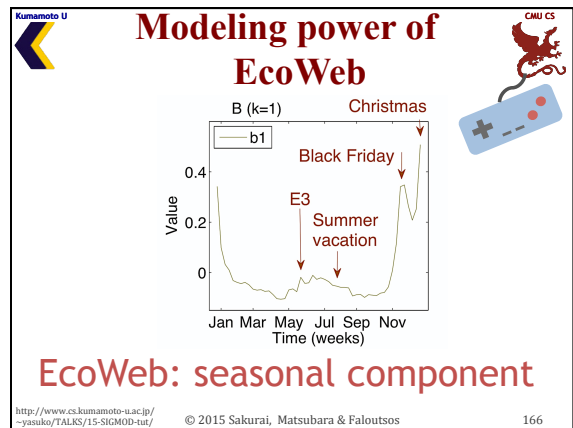
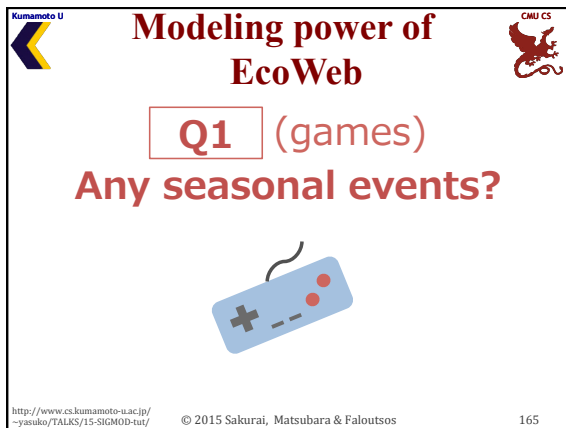
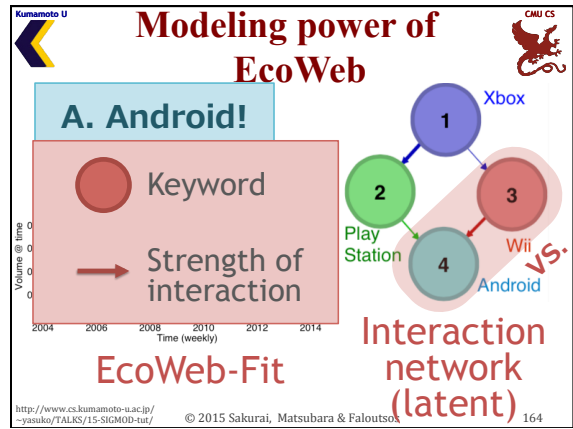
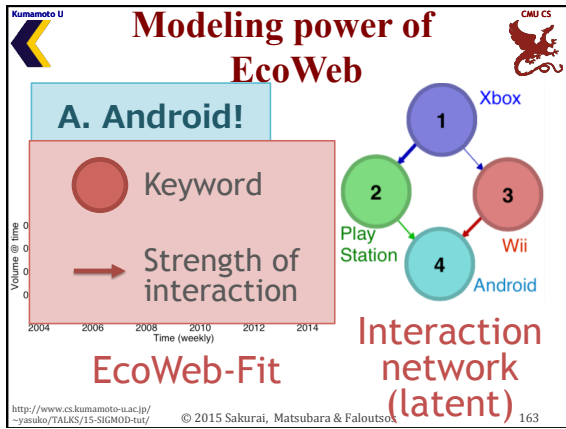
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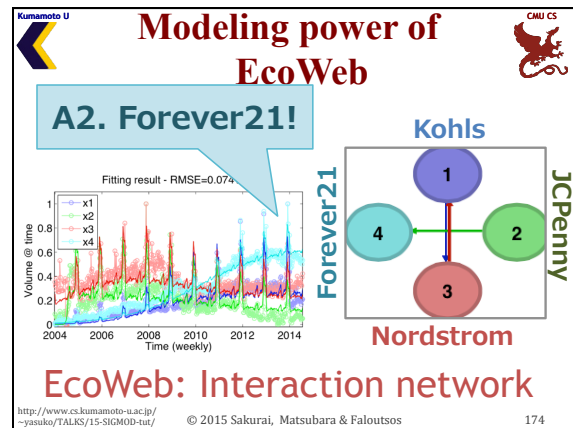
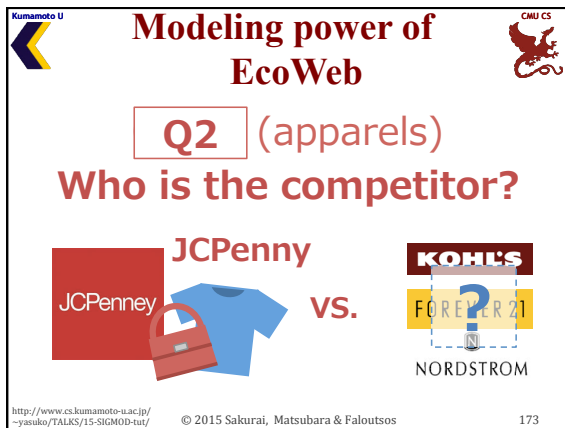
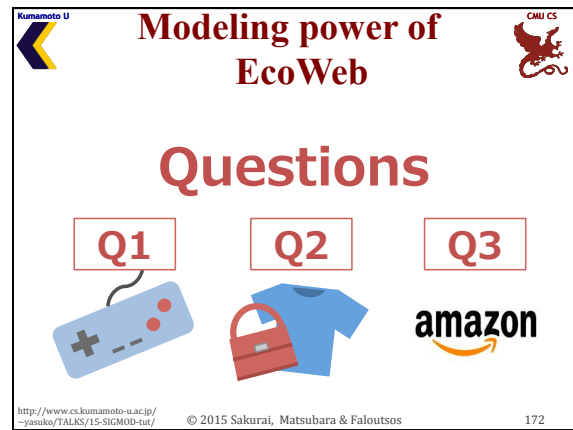
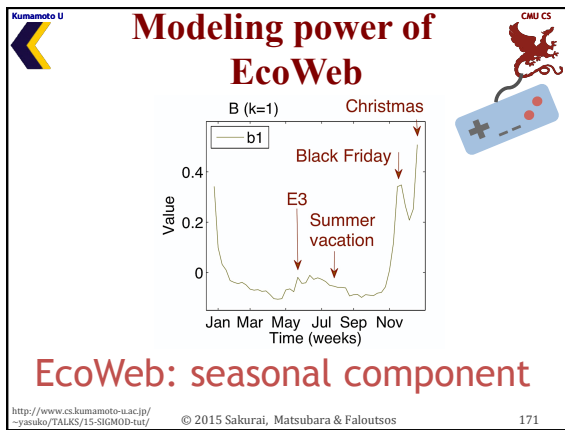
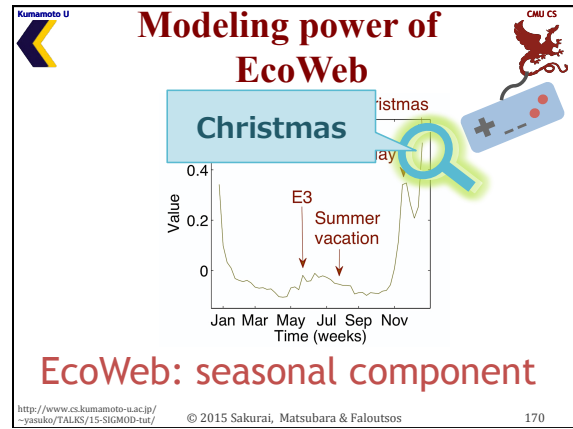
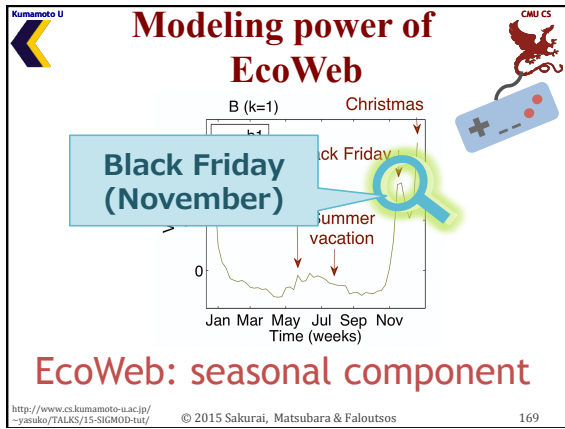
A. Android!

Fitting result - RMSE: 0.17

Interaction network (latent)

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**A2. Forever21!**

Volume @ time

Time (weekly)

Forever21

JCPenny

Nordstrom

Kohls

1 vs. 2

3

4

**EcoWeb: Interaction network**

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**Q2 (apparels)**

**Any seasonal events?**

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$B(1 \times 52), k=1$

Back to school

Black Friday

Jan Mar May Jul Sep Nov

**EcoWeb: seasonal component**

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**Questions**

Q1

Q2

Q3

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**Q3 (retails)**

**Any patterns/trends?**

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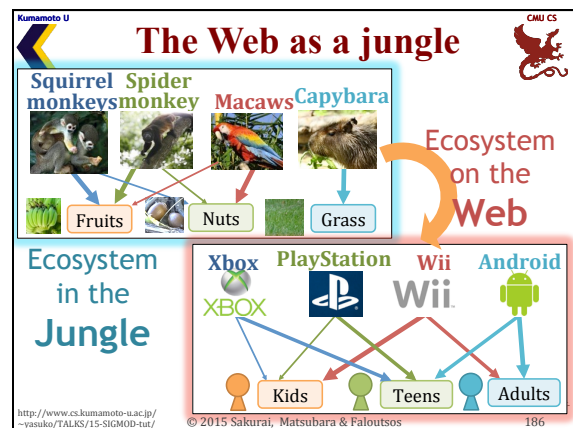
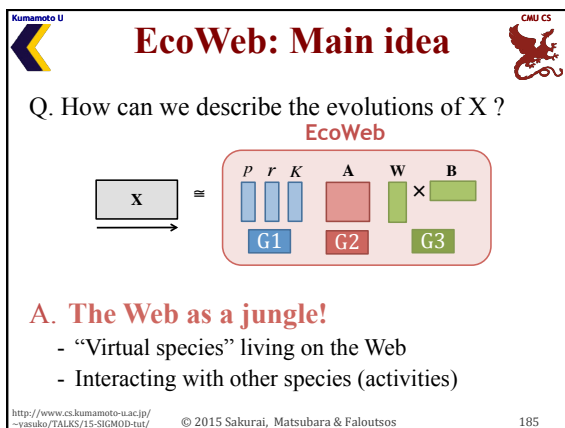
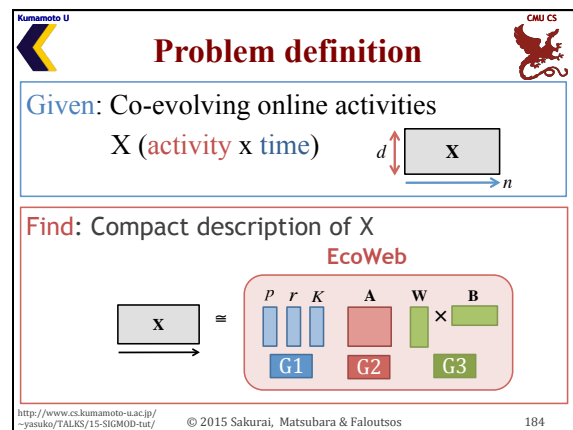
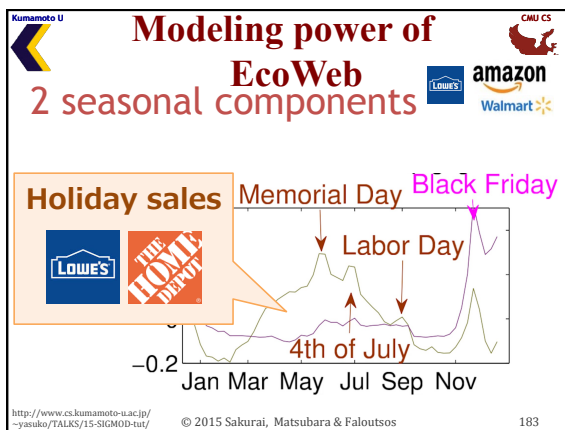
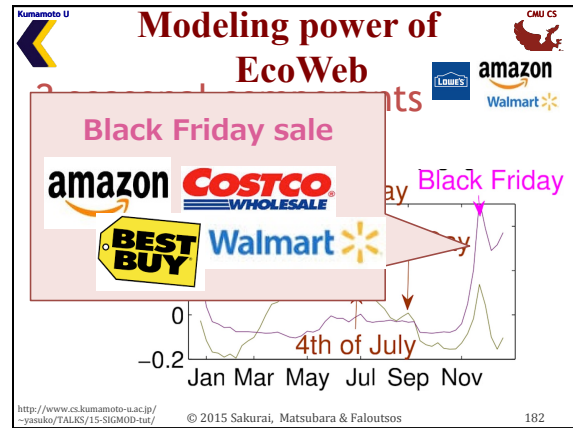
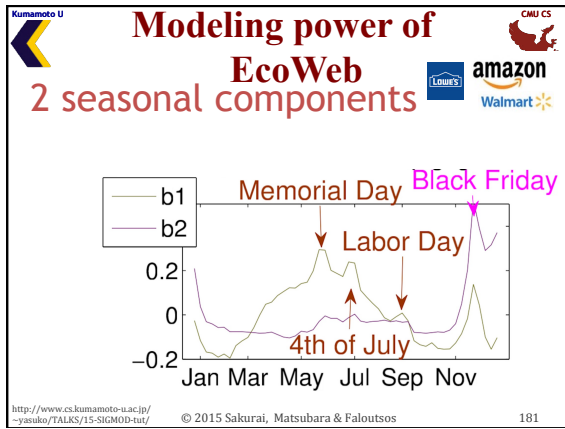
**A. They are all steadily increasing!**

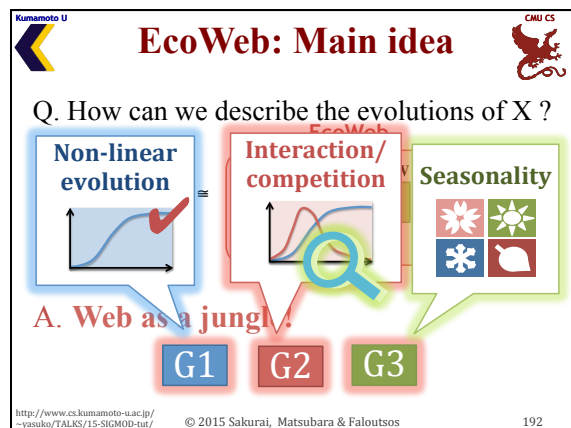
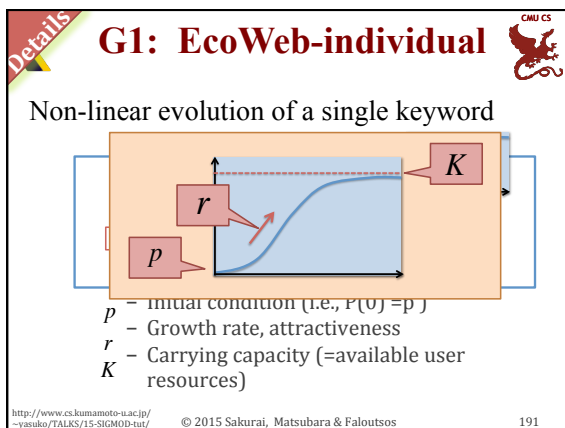
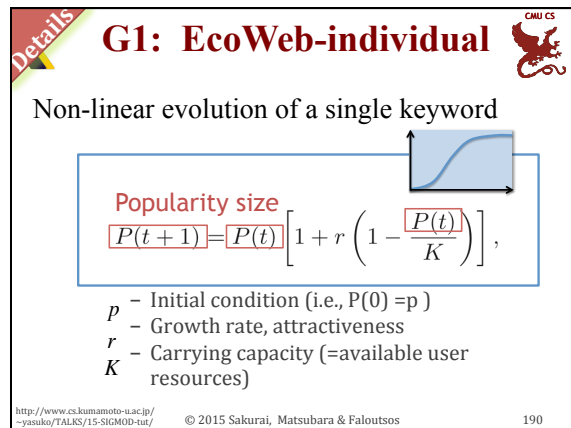
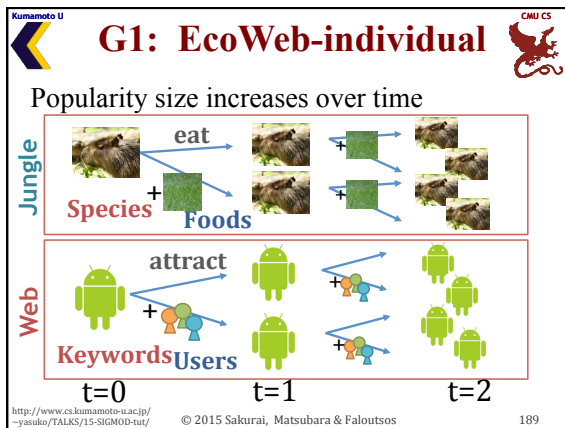
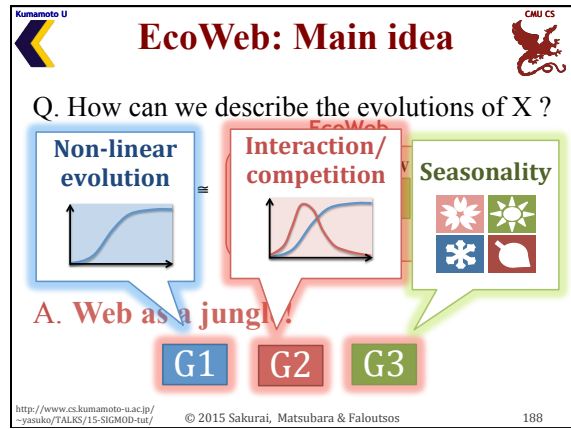
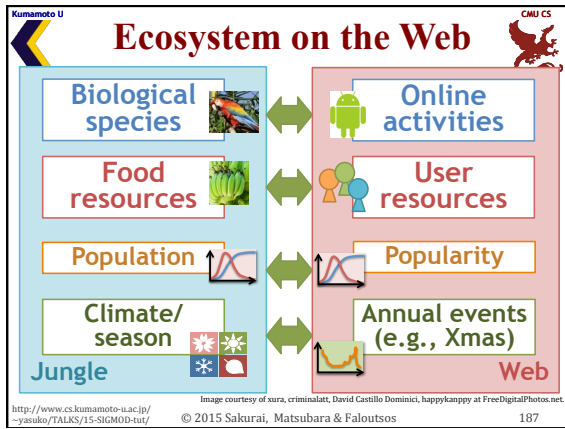
Volume @

Time (weekly)

Amazon, Walmart, Home Depot, Best buy, ...

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**G2: EcoWeb-interaction**

Interaction between multiple keywords

Species vs. Keywords

Food resources vs. User resources

share

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Interaction between multiple keywords

Popularity of keyword  $i$  vs. Popularity of  $j$

$$P_i(t+1) = P_i(t) \left[ 1 + r_i \left( 1 - \frac{\sum_{j=1}^d a_{ij} P_j(t)}{K_i} \right) \right],$$

$(i = 1, \dots, d), (3)$

$a_{ij}$  - Interaction coefficient  
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**EcoWeb: Main idea**

Q. How can we describe the evolutions of X ?

Non-linear evolution vs. Interaction/competition vs. Seasonality

A. Web as a jungle!

G1, G2, G3

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**G3: EcoWeb-seasonality**

“Hidden” seasonal activities

Season/Climate vs. Seasonal events

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“Hidden” seasonal activities

Users change their behavior according to seasonal events!

Climate vs. events

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Seasonal activities of  $i$

$\mathbf{W}$  – Participation (weight) matrix  
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**P: latent popularity**

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**G3: EcoWeb-seasonality**

**E: seasonality**

$$d \times n = d \times k \times n_p \times k$$

$e_i(t) \simeq f(i, t | \mathbf{W}, \mathbf{B}) = \sum_{j=1}^k w_{ij} b_j(\tau) \quad (\tau = [t \bmod n_p])$

Seasonal activities of keyword  $i$

$\mathbf{W}$  – Participation (weight) matrix  
 $\mathbf{B}$  – Seasonality matrix

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**EcoWeb: Main idea**

Q. How can we describe the evolutions of  $X$  ?

**EcoWeb**

$X \rightarrow \begin{matrix} p & r & K & A & W & B \\ \text{G1} & \text{G2} & \text{G3} \end{matrix}$

Full parameters

$$\mathcal{S} = \{p, r, K, A, W, B\}$$

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**Algorithms**

Q1. How can we automatically find “seasonal components” ?

Idea (1) : Seasonal component analysis

Q2. How can we efficiently estimate full-parameters ?

EcoWeb

$X = \begin{bmatrix} p & r & K \\ G1 & G2 & G3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} A \\ W \\ B \end{bmatrix}$

Idea (2): Multi-step fitting

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**Idea (1): Seasonal component analysis**

Q1. How can we automatically find “k-seasonal components” ?

EcoWeb

$X = \begin{bmatrix} p & r & K \\ G1 & G2 & G3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} A \\ W \\ B \end{bmatrix}$

$W \times B$  opt k=?

Idea (1) :

- Seasonal component detection
- Automatic component analysis

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**Idea (1): Seasonal component analysis**

Q1. How can we automatically find “k-seasonal components” ?

Details @ part 1

ICA

MDL

Data (X) Ideal model (M)

Idea (1) :

- Seasonal component detection
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**Idea (1): Seasonal component analysis**

Idea(1-a) Seasonal component detection

E d=2

Time (1, ... n)

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**Idea (1): Seasonal component analysis**

Idea(1-a) Seasonal component detection

E d=2

Split

Time (1, ... n)

$\hat{E} \quad d \times n/n_p$

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**Idea (1): Seasonal component analysis**

Idea(1-a) Seasonal component detection

E d=2

Independent components

Time (1, ... n)

$\hat{E} \quad d \times n/n_p$

ICA

B k=2

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**Idea (1): Seasonal component analysis**  
 Idea(1-b) Automatic component analysis  
 Find optimal number  $k$  ( $1 \leq k \leq d$ )  
 d: dimension

**E: seasonality**

$E = W \times B$

opt  $k = ?$

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**Idea (1): Seasonal component analysis**  
 Idea(1-b) MDL -> Minimize encoding cost!

$\min ( \text{Cost}_M(S) + \text{Cost}_C(X|S) )$

Model cost Coding cost

Good compression ↔ Good description

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**Idea (1): Seasonal component analysis**  
 Idea(1-b) MDL -> Minimize encoding cost!

$Cost_T(X; S) = \log^*(d) + \log^*(n) + Cost_M(p, r, K) + Cost_M(A) + Cost_M(k, W, B) + Cost_C(X|S)$

$k_{opt} = \arg \min_k Cost_T(X; S)$

Good compression ↔ Good description

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**Idea (1): Seasonal component analysis**  
 Idea(1-b) Automatic component analysis  
 Find optimal number  $k$  ( $1 \leq k \leq d$ )  
 d: dimension

$W \times B$  opt  $k = ?$

**B**  $k=1$   $k=2$   $k=3$

Cost(1) = \$\$ Cost(2) = \$ Cost(3) = \$\$\$

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**Idea (1): Seasonal component analysis**  
 Idea(1-b) Automatic component analysis  
 Find optimal number  $k$  ( $1 \leq k \leq d$ )

Optimal  $k$

$W \times B$  opt  $k = ?$

**B**  $k=1$   $k=2$   $k=3$

Cost(1) = \$\$\$ Cost(2) = \$ Cost(3) = \$\$\$

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**Idea (2): EcoWeb-Fit**

Q2. How can we efficiently estimate model parameters?

model parameters?

$X \equiv \begin{matrix} p & r & K & A & W & B \\ \hline G1 & G2 & G3 \end{matrix}$  EcoWeb

Idea (2): Multi-step fitting

a. StepFit (sub)  
 b. EcoWeb-Fit (full)

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### Idea (2): EcoWeb-Fit

(2-a). StepFit: Update parameters *alternately*

**Step A**

**Step B**

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### Idea (2): EcoWeb-Fit

(2-b). EcoWeb-Fit: full algorithm  
e.g., 4 keywords: A B C D

1. Individual-Fit 2. Pair-Fit 3. Full-Fit

EcoWeb-Fit updates parameters, separately

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### Experiments

We answer the following questions...

- Q1. Effectiveness  
How successful is it in spotting patterns?
- Q2. Accuracy  
How well does it match the data?
- Q3. Scalability  
How does it scale in terms of computational time?

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### Q1. Effectiveness

(#1) Video games

Interactions between keywords

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### Q1. Effectiveness

(#1) Video games

Seasonality

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### Q1. Effectiveness

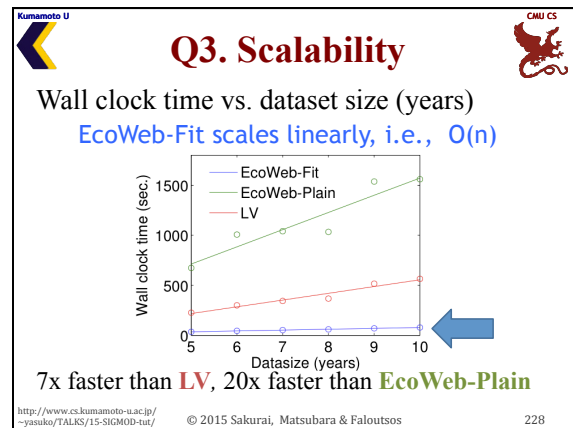
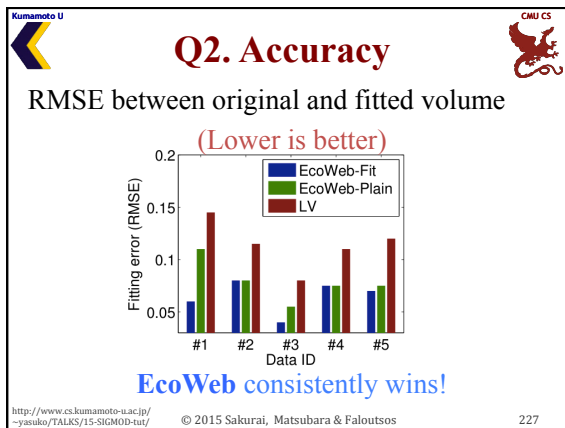
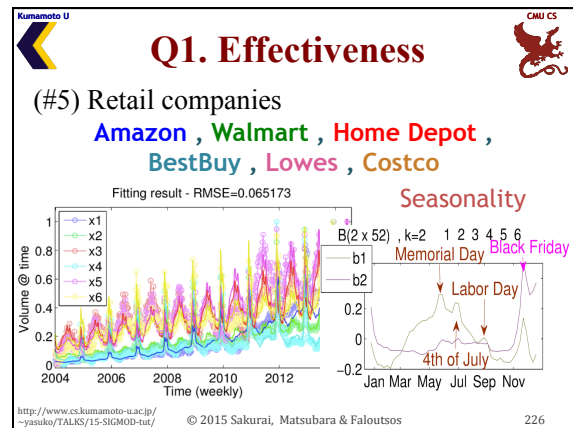
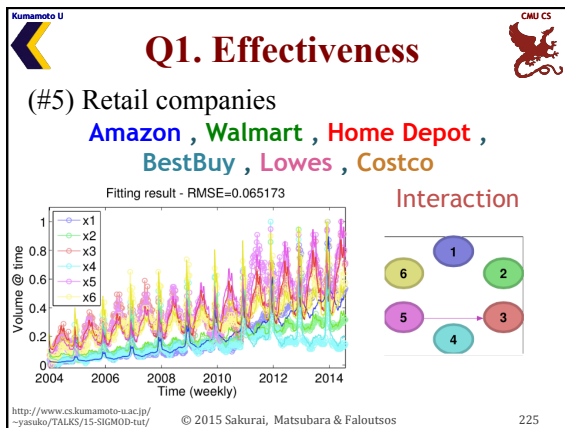
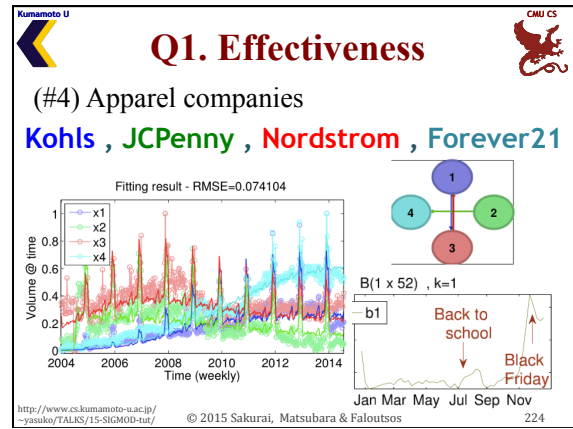
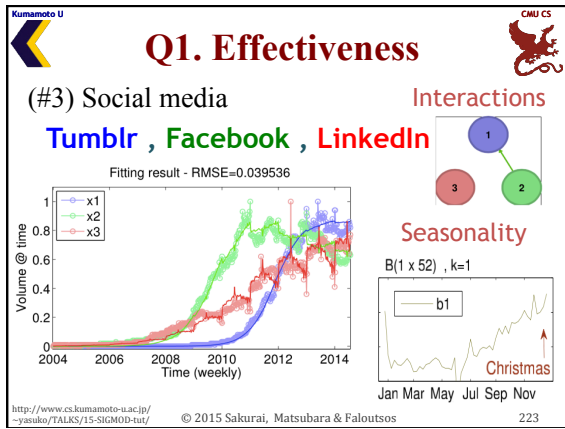
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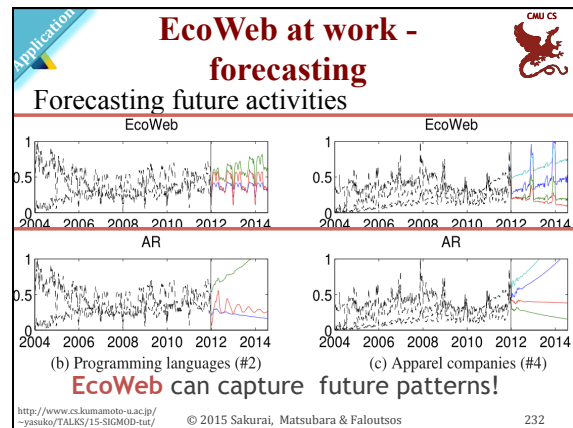
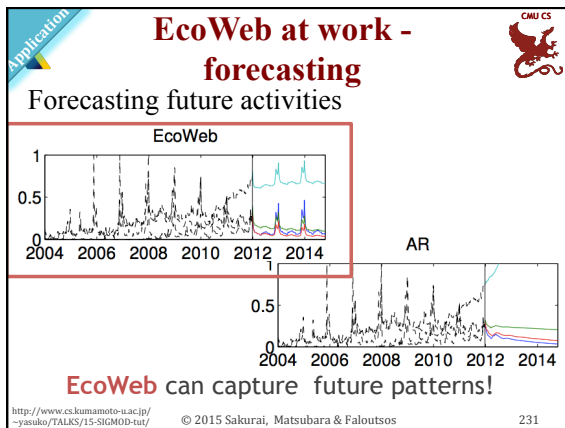
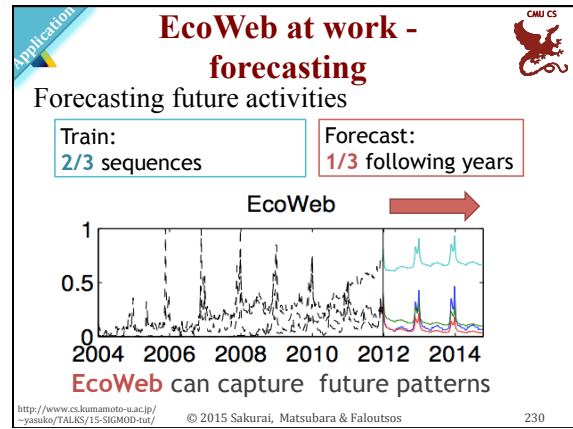
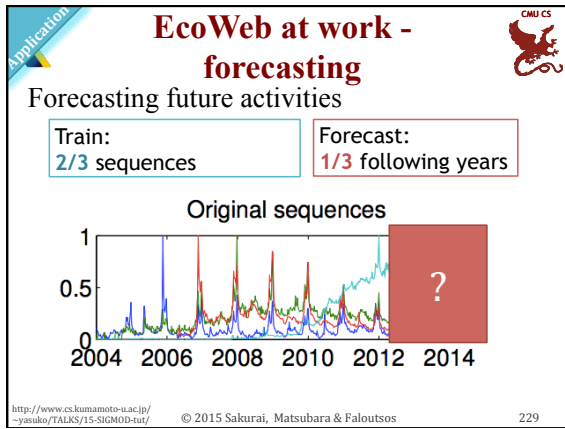
C, R, MATLAB

Interactions

Seasonality

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## Part 2 Roadmap

**Problem**

- Why: “non-linear” modeling

**Fundamentals**

- Non-linear (grey-box) models

**Applications**

- Epidemics
- Information diffusion
- Online competition

Goal!

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## Part 2 Conclusions

- Why: “non-linear” modeling
  - Black box: lag plots (k-NN search)
  - Grey-box: given a model
- Fundamentals: popular non-linear models
  - Logistic function, Lotka-Volterra, Competition, ...
  - Epidemics (SI, SIR, SEIR, etc.), ...
- Applications: non-linear mining
  - Epidemics
  - Information diffusion
  - Online competition

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