

Mining and Forecasting of Big Time-series Data

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Roadmap



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

Part 1

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Part 3





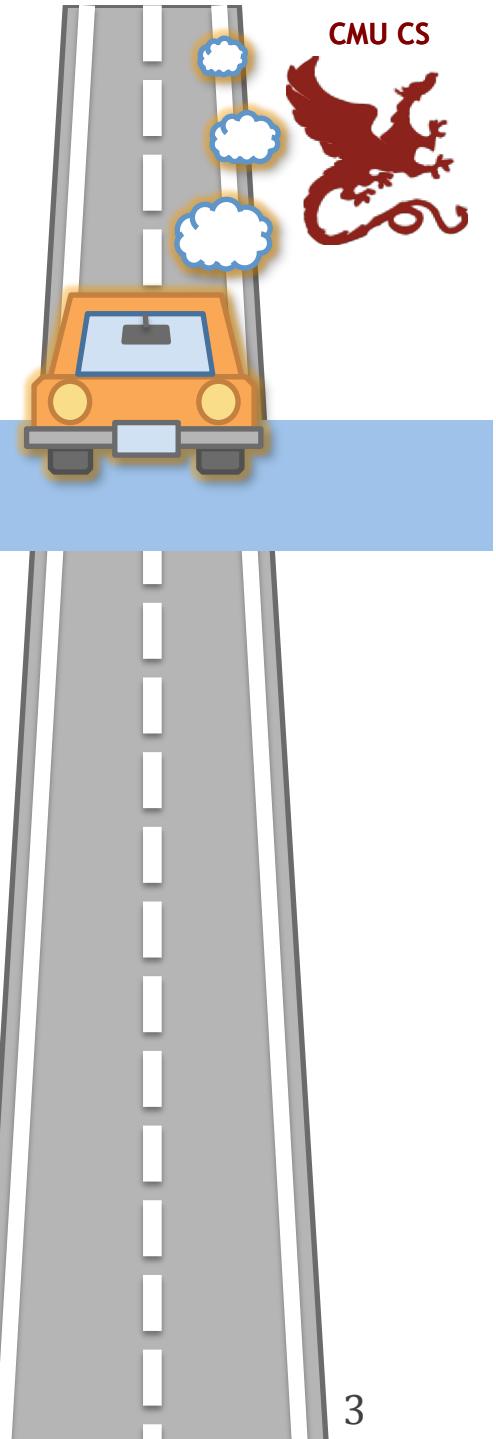
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Problem

- Why: “non-linear” modeling

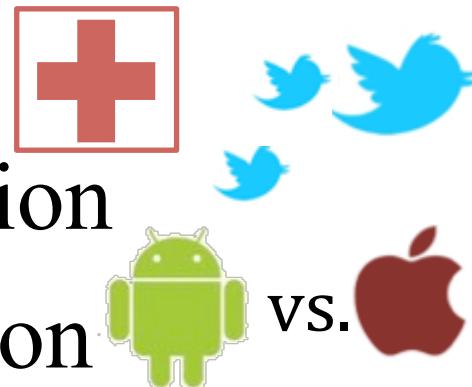


Fundamentals

- Non-linear (“gray-box”) models

Applications

- Epidemics
- Information diffusion
- (Online) competition



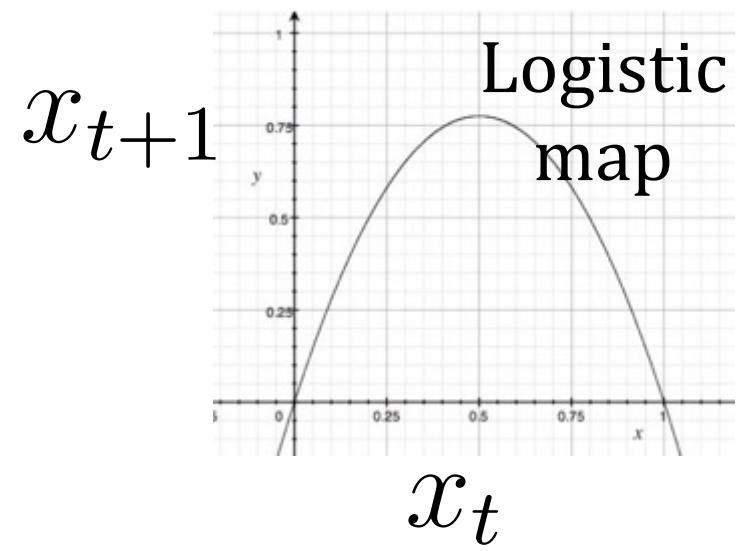
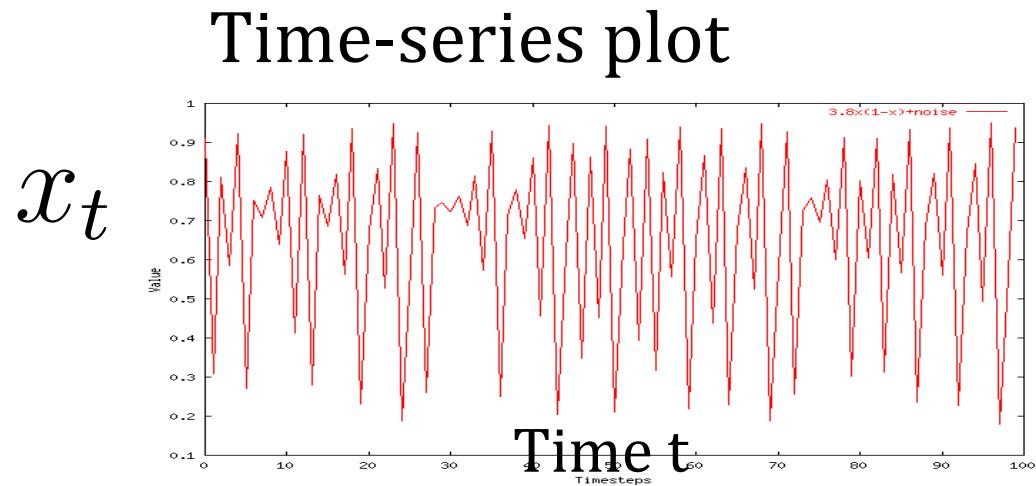
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Example: logistic parabola

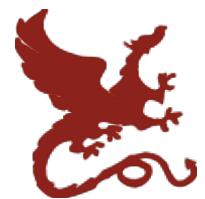
Models population of flies [R. May/1976]

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





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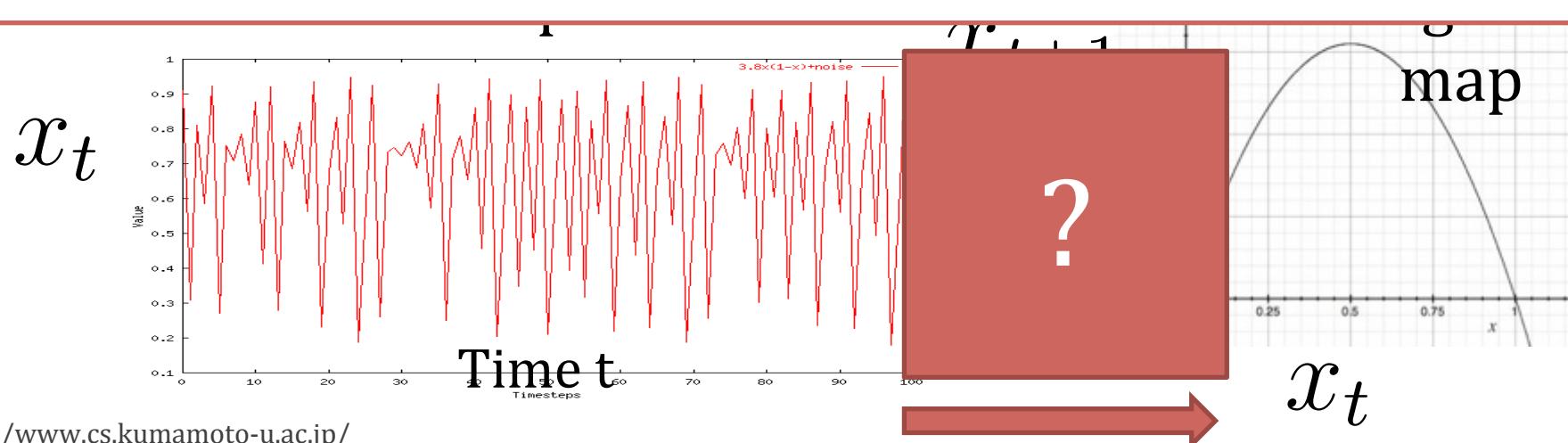


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Problem:

Given: a time series x_t

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

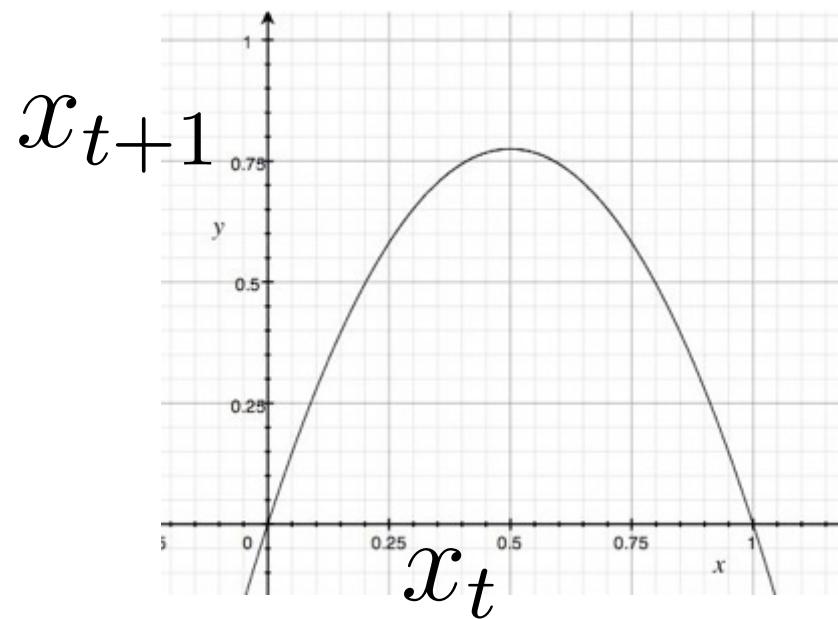




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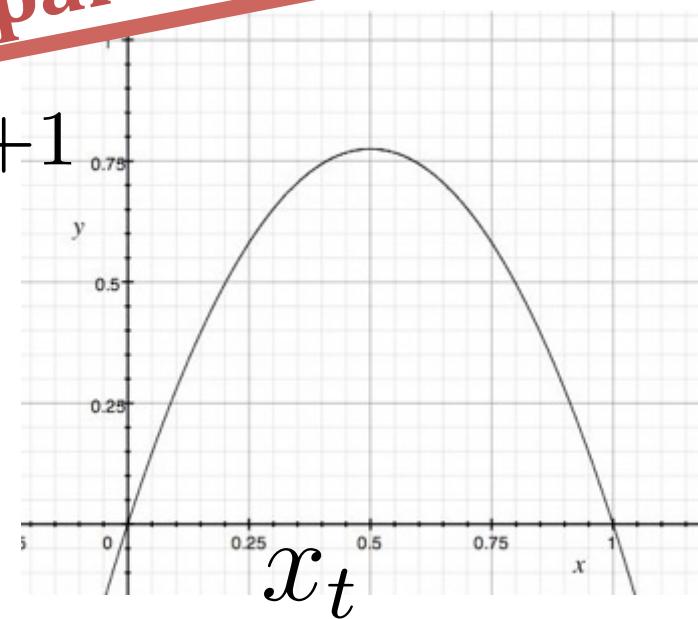
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Details @ part1

x_{t+1}

e.g., AR(1)

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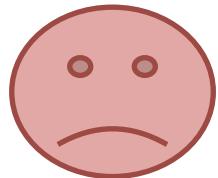




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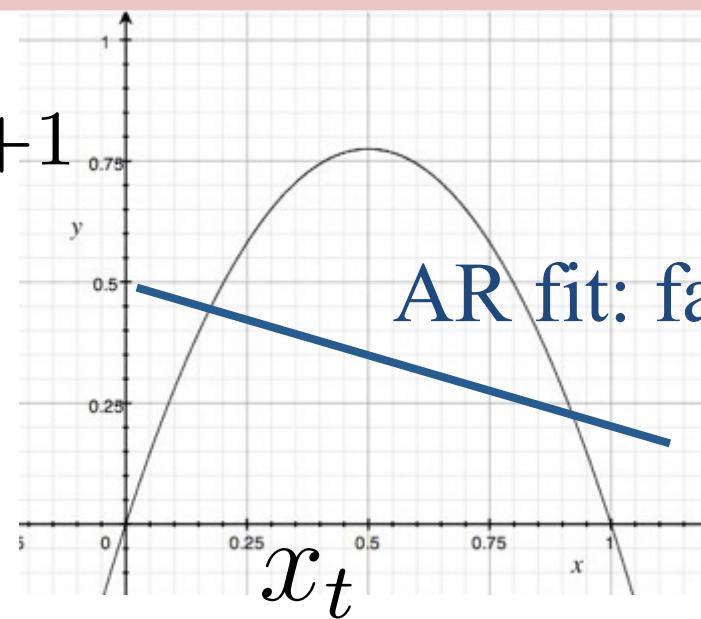
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x_{t+1}

AR fit: fails





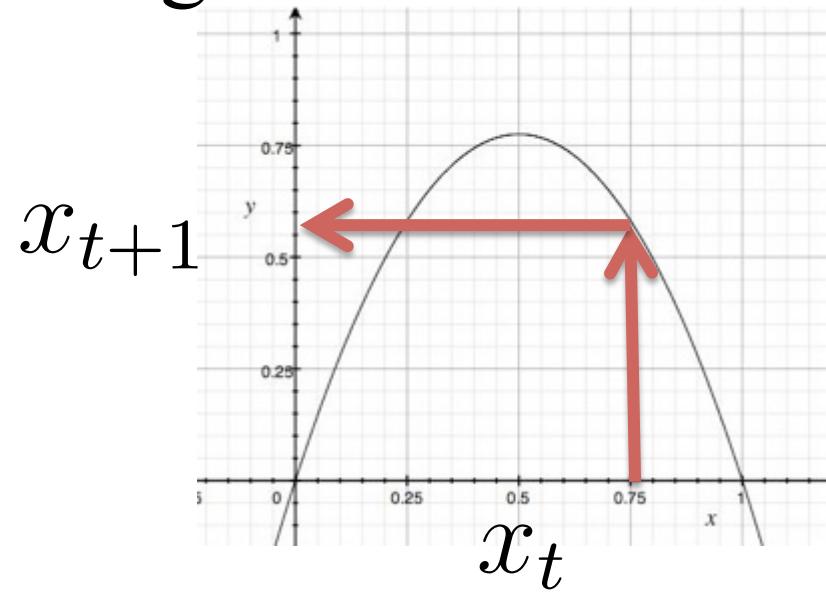
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“Delayed Coordinate Embedding”

= Lag Plots [Sauer92]

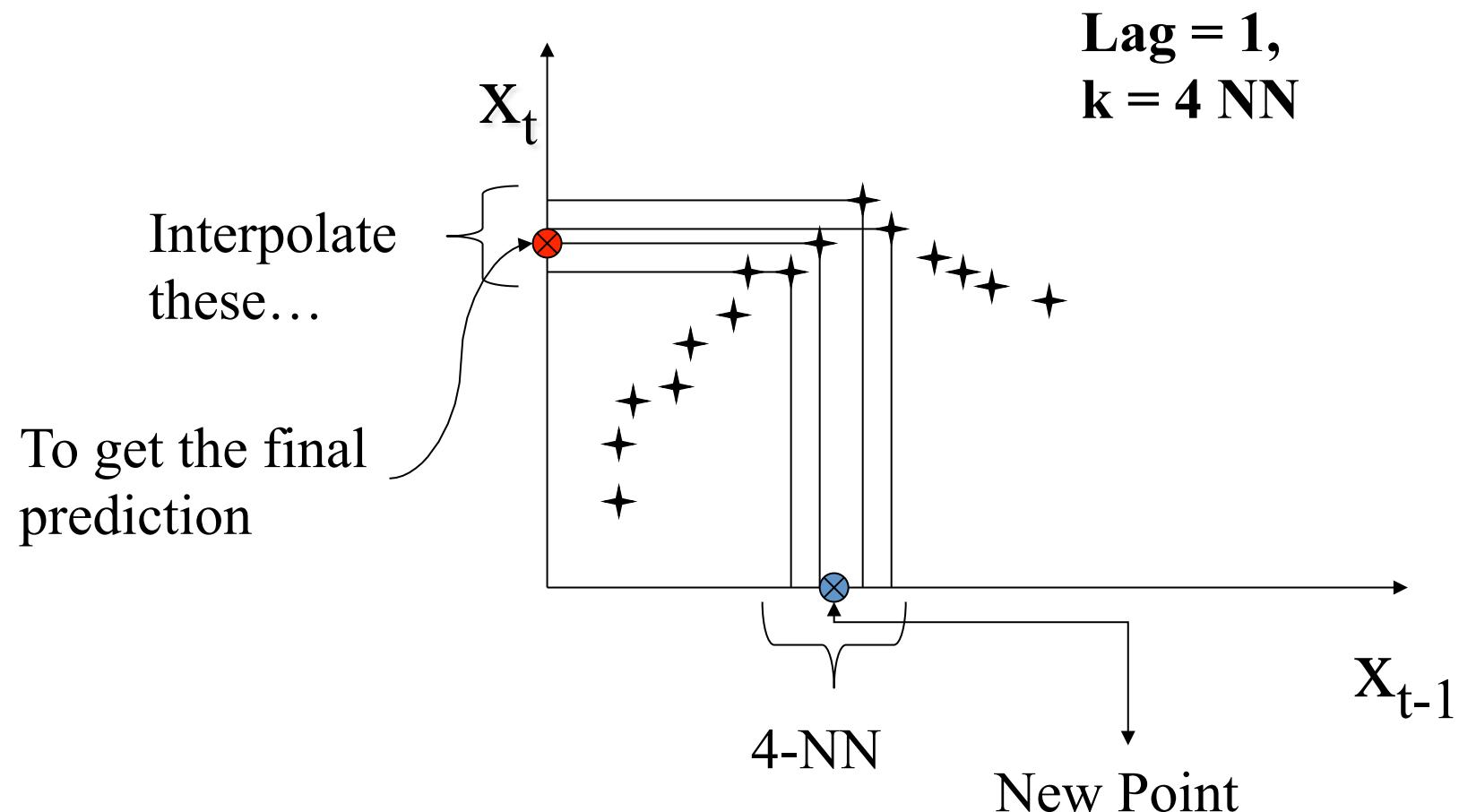
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General Intuition (Lag Plot)

Solution 2





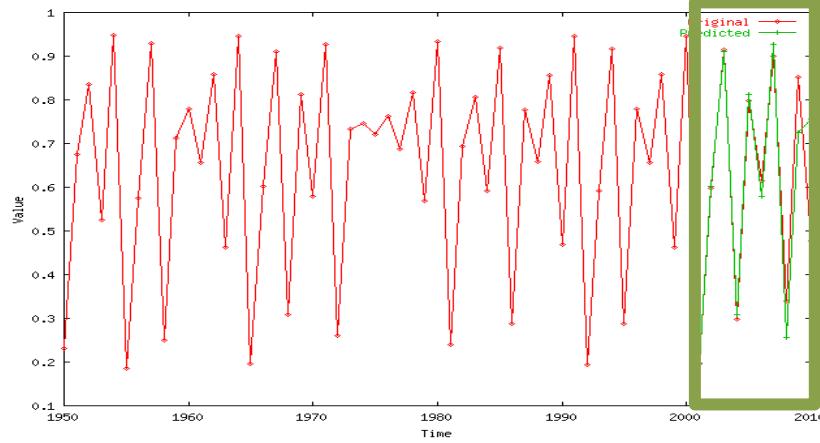
Forecasting results (Lag Plot)



[Chakrabarti+ CIKM'02]

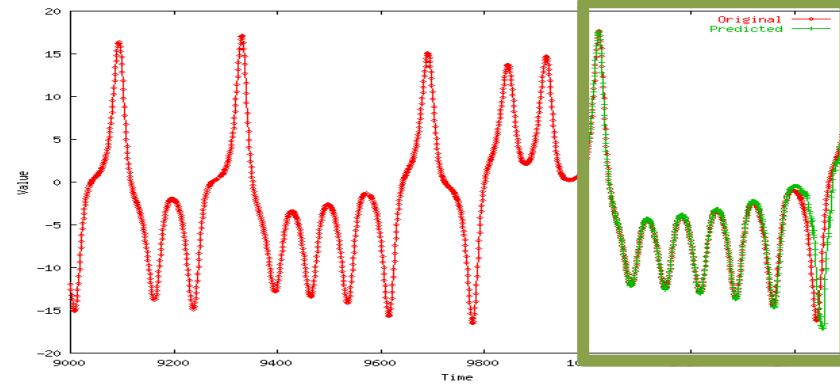
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Logistic parabola

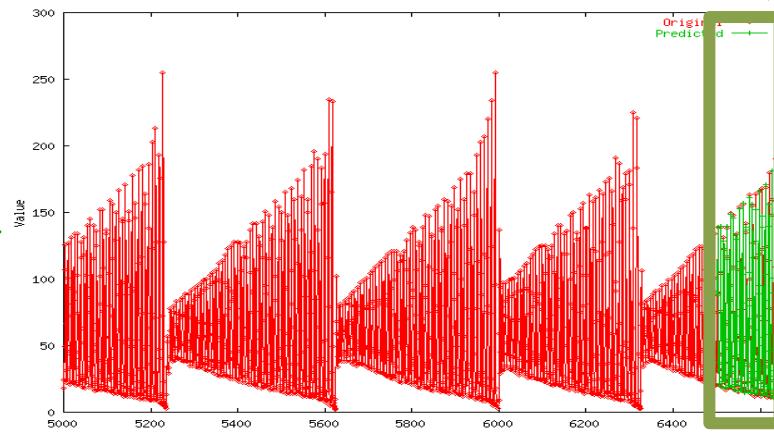


Original x_t Forecasted $x_{t+1,\dots}$
(red) (green)

LORENZ



Laser



Forecast



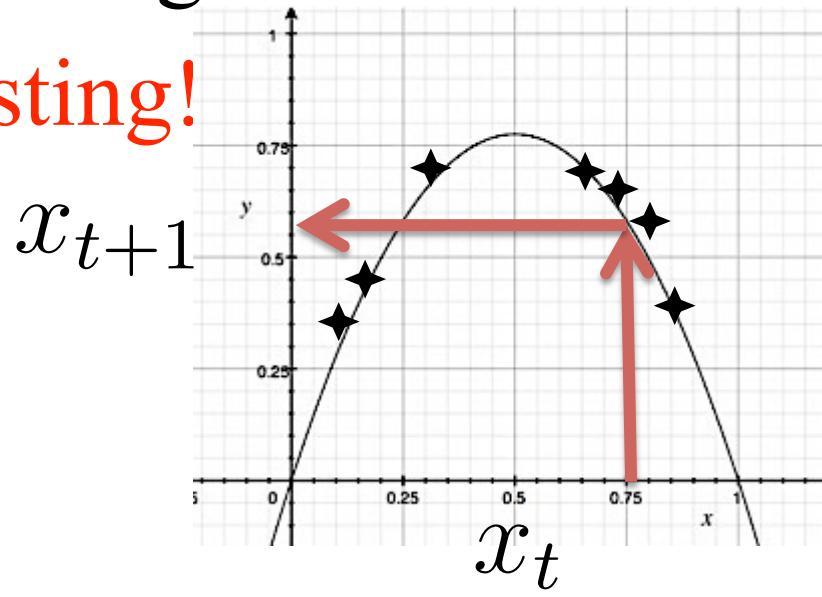
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- Based on k-nearest neighbor search
- Non-linear Forecasting!



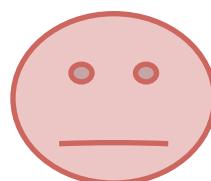


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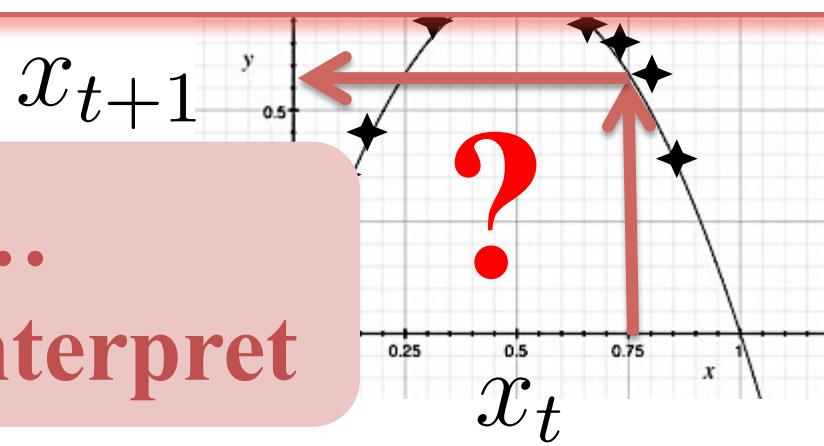
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“Black-box” mining
(we don’t know the equations)



But, still,...
Hard to interpret

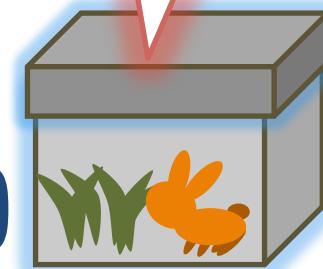
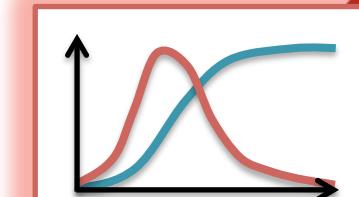




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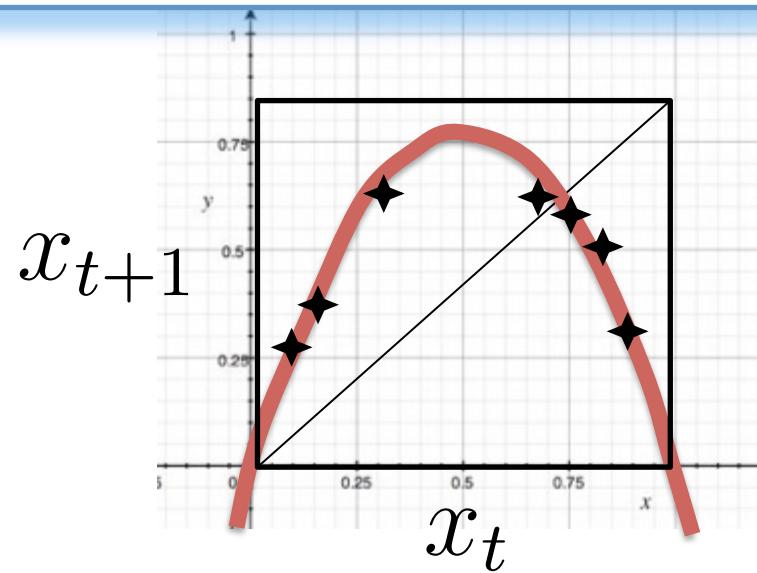
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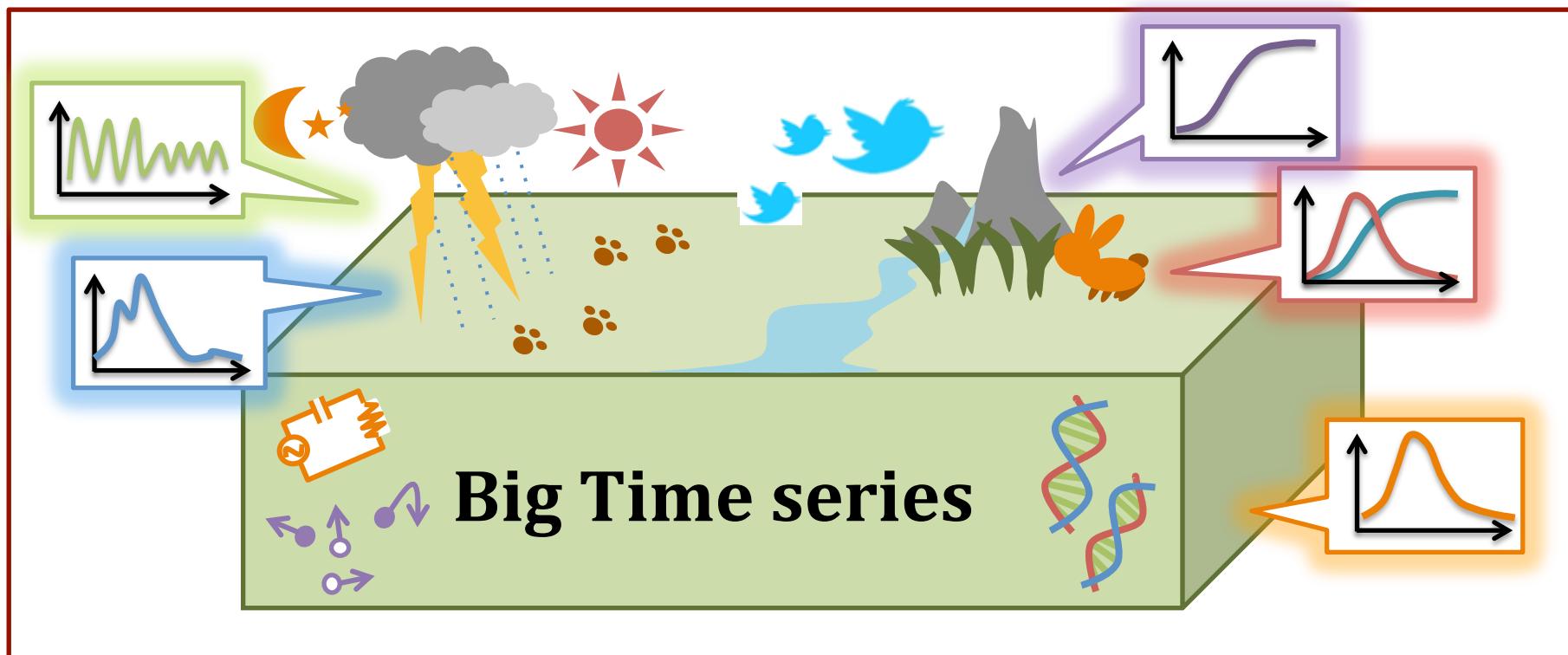




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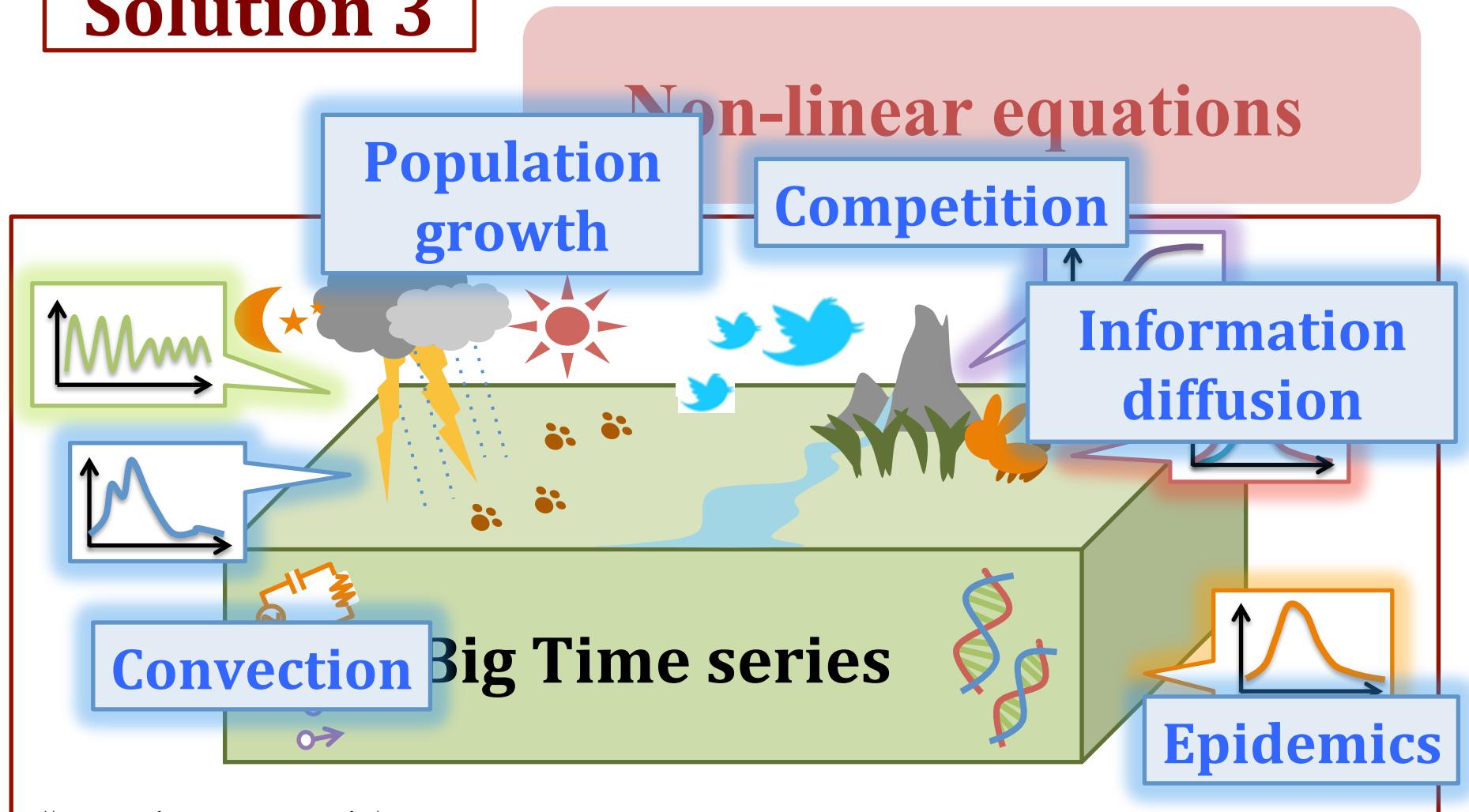
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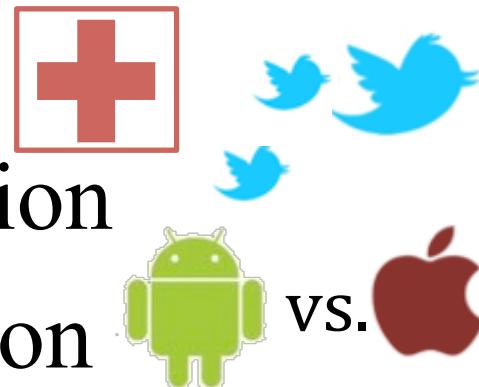
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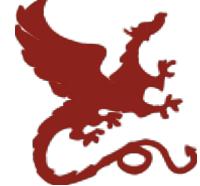
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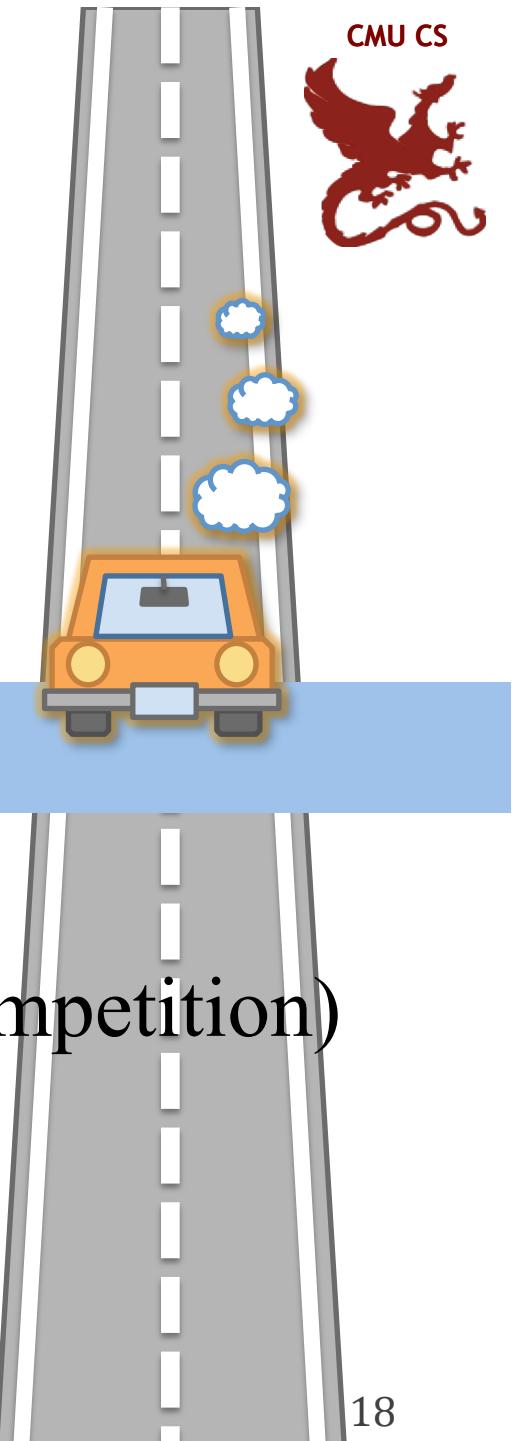


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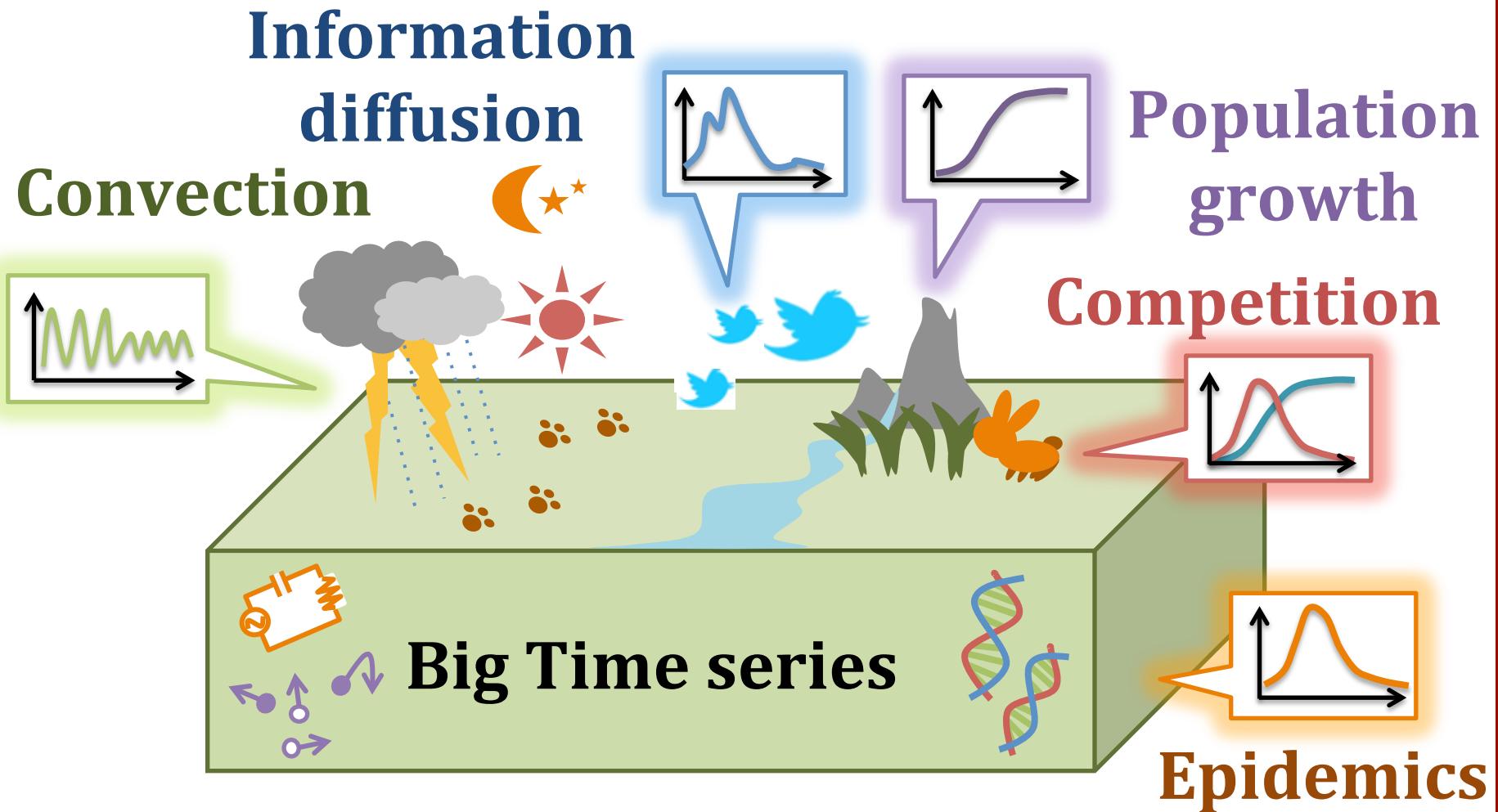
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- Non-linear (grey-box) models
 - Logistic function
 - Lotka-Volterra (prey-predator, competition)
 - SI, SIR models, etc.
 - Lorenz equations, etc.



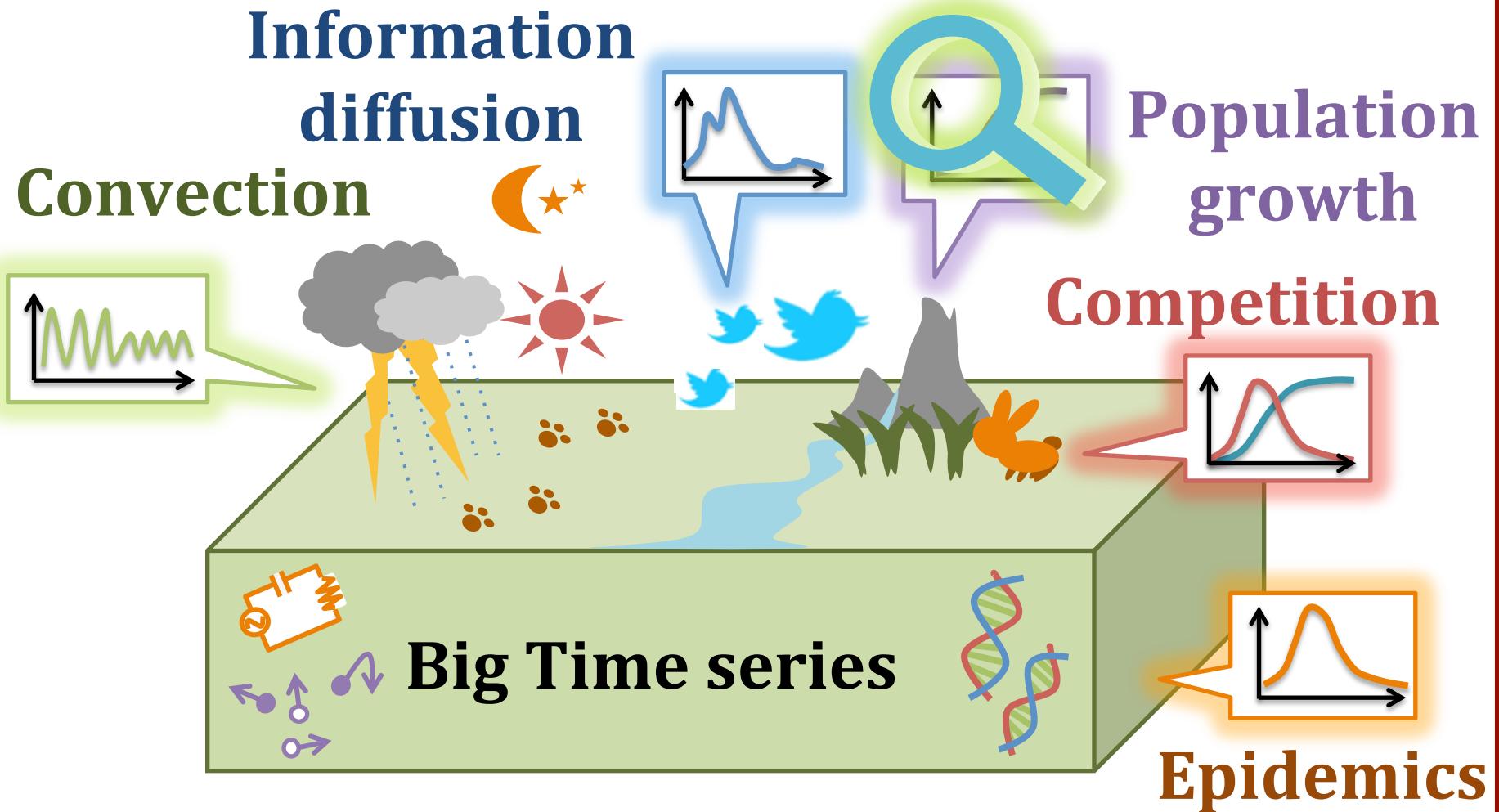


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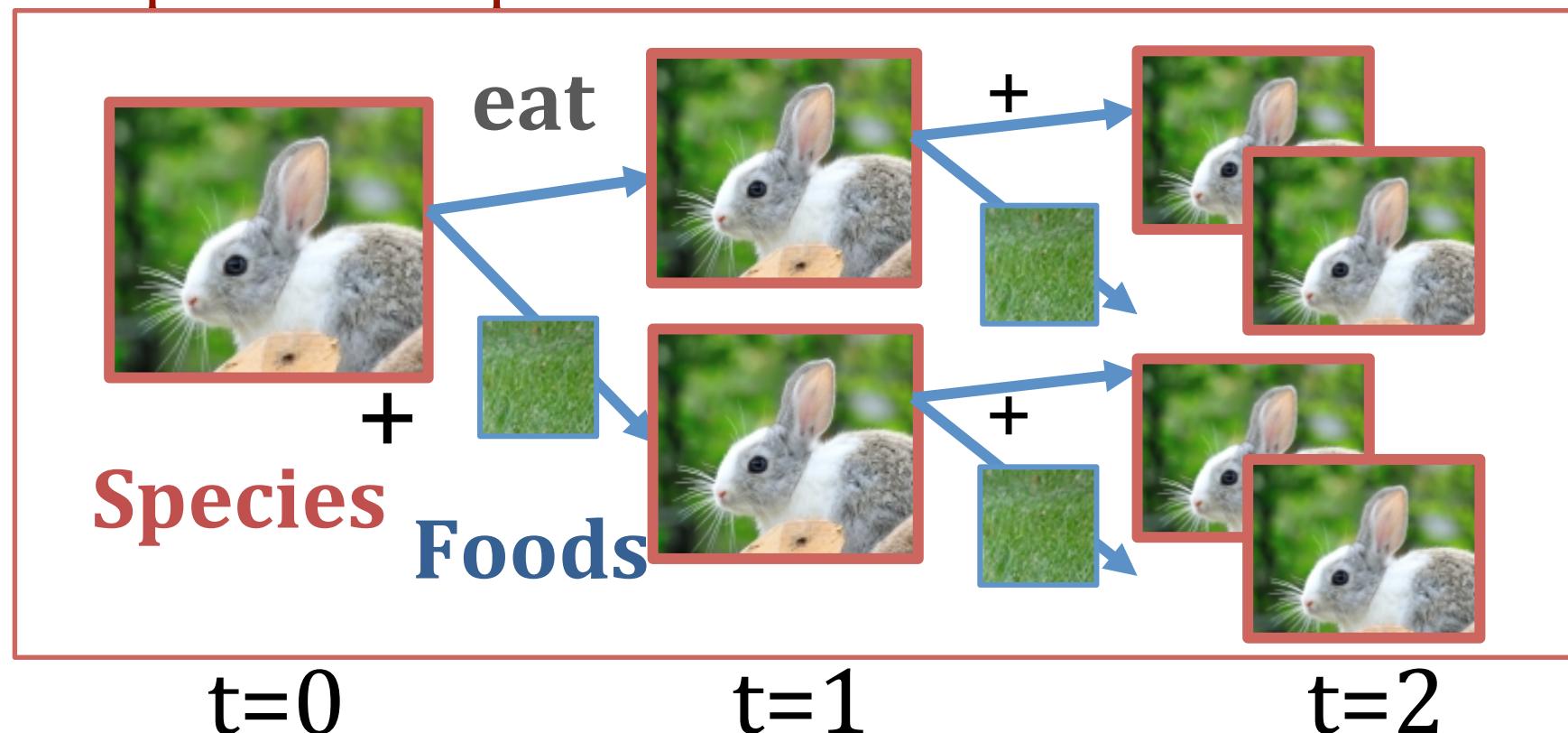




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- Population expansion with limited resources





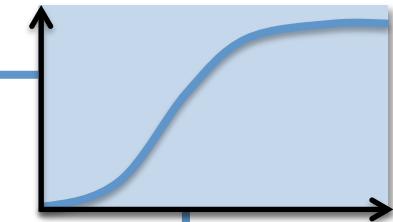
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r – Growth rate, reproductively

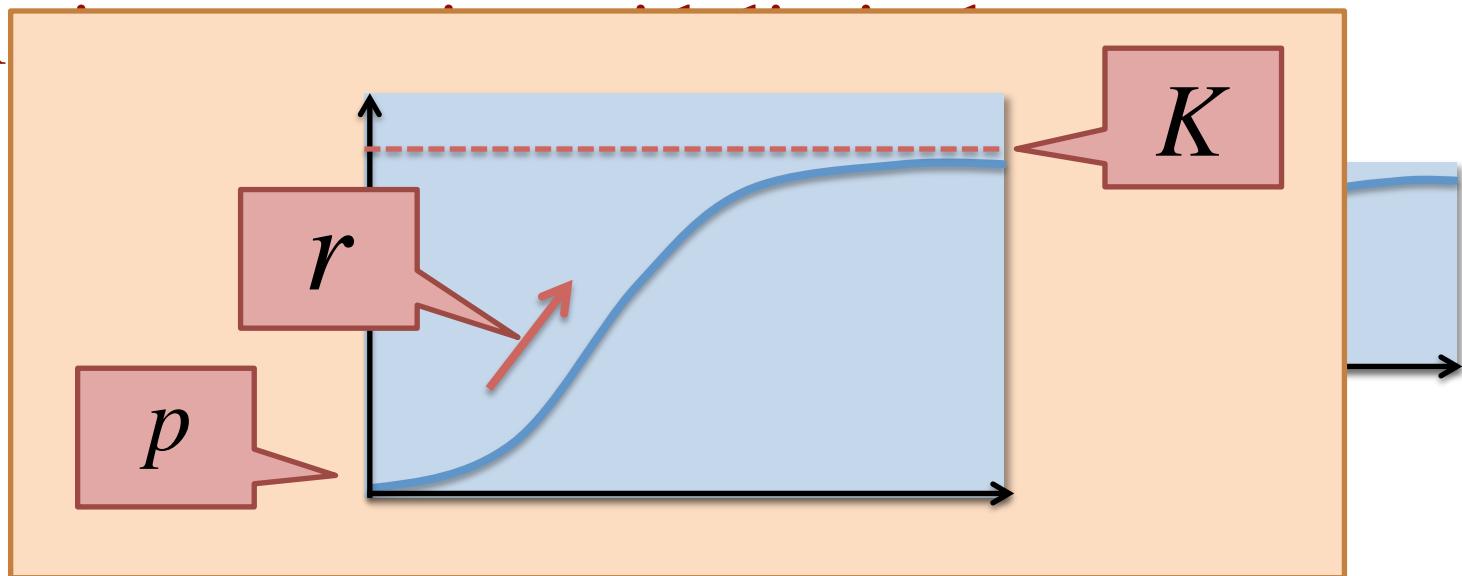
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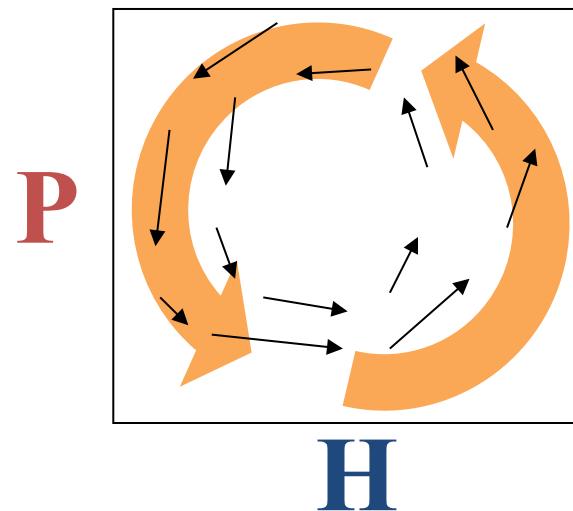


Lotka-Volterra equations

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



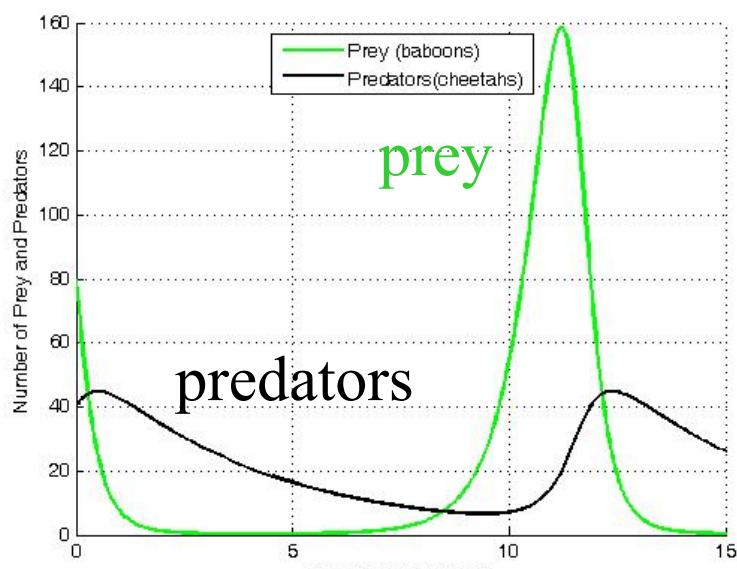
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Solution to the Lotka-Volterra equations.

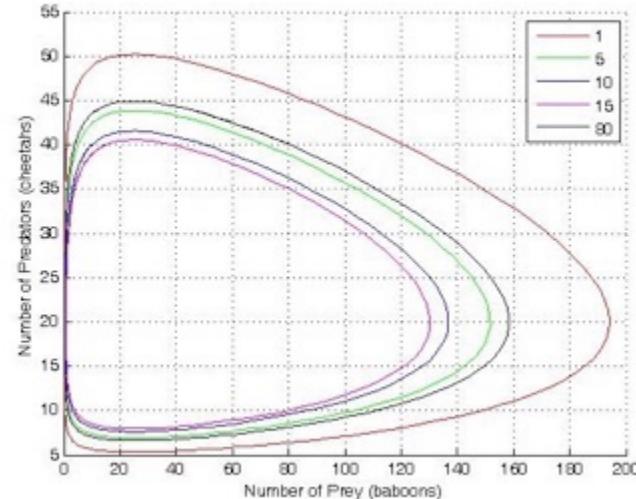
of prey/predators



time

From Wikipedia

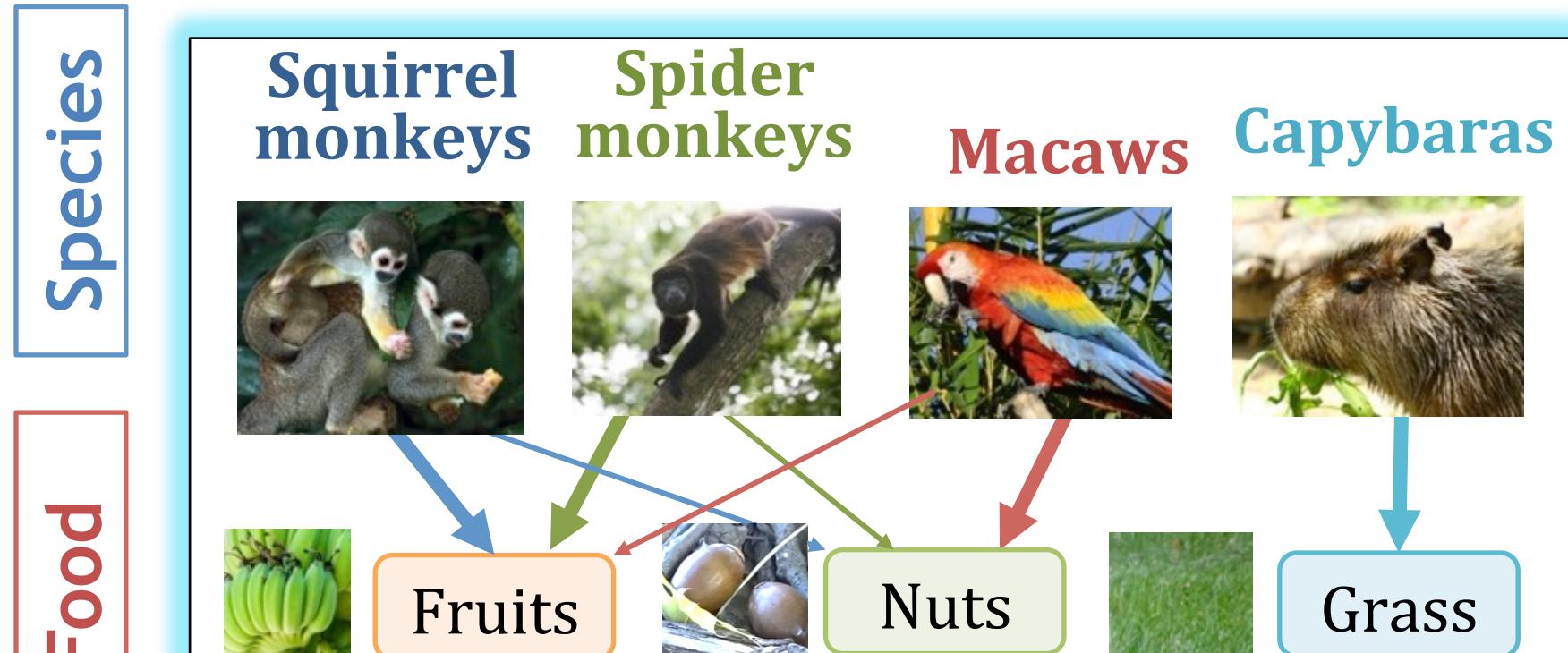
predators



prey

Extension: “Competitive” Lotka-Volterra equations

Competition between multiple (d) species



“Competition” in the Jungle

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“Competitive”

Lotka-Volterra equations

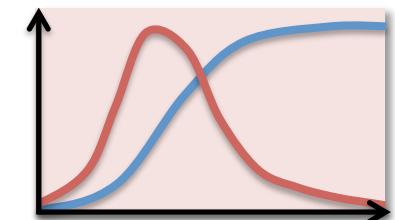
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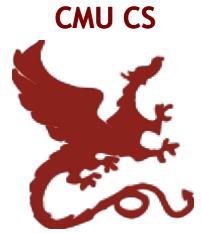
Population of j

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

a_{ij} : Interaction coefficient
i.e., effect rate of species j on i



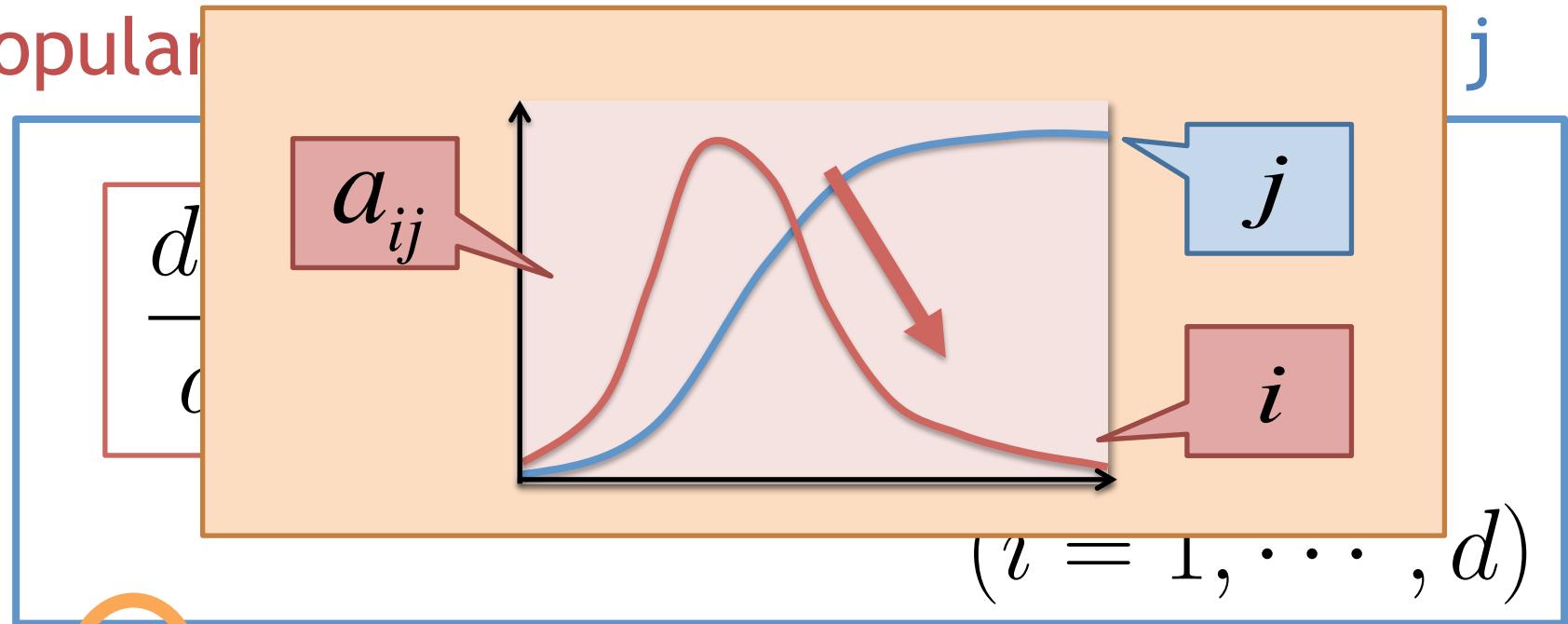
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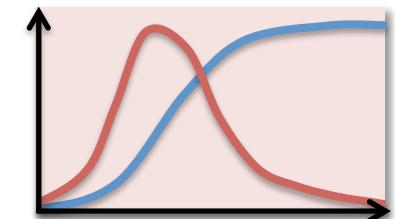
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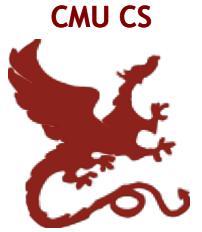
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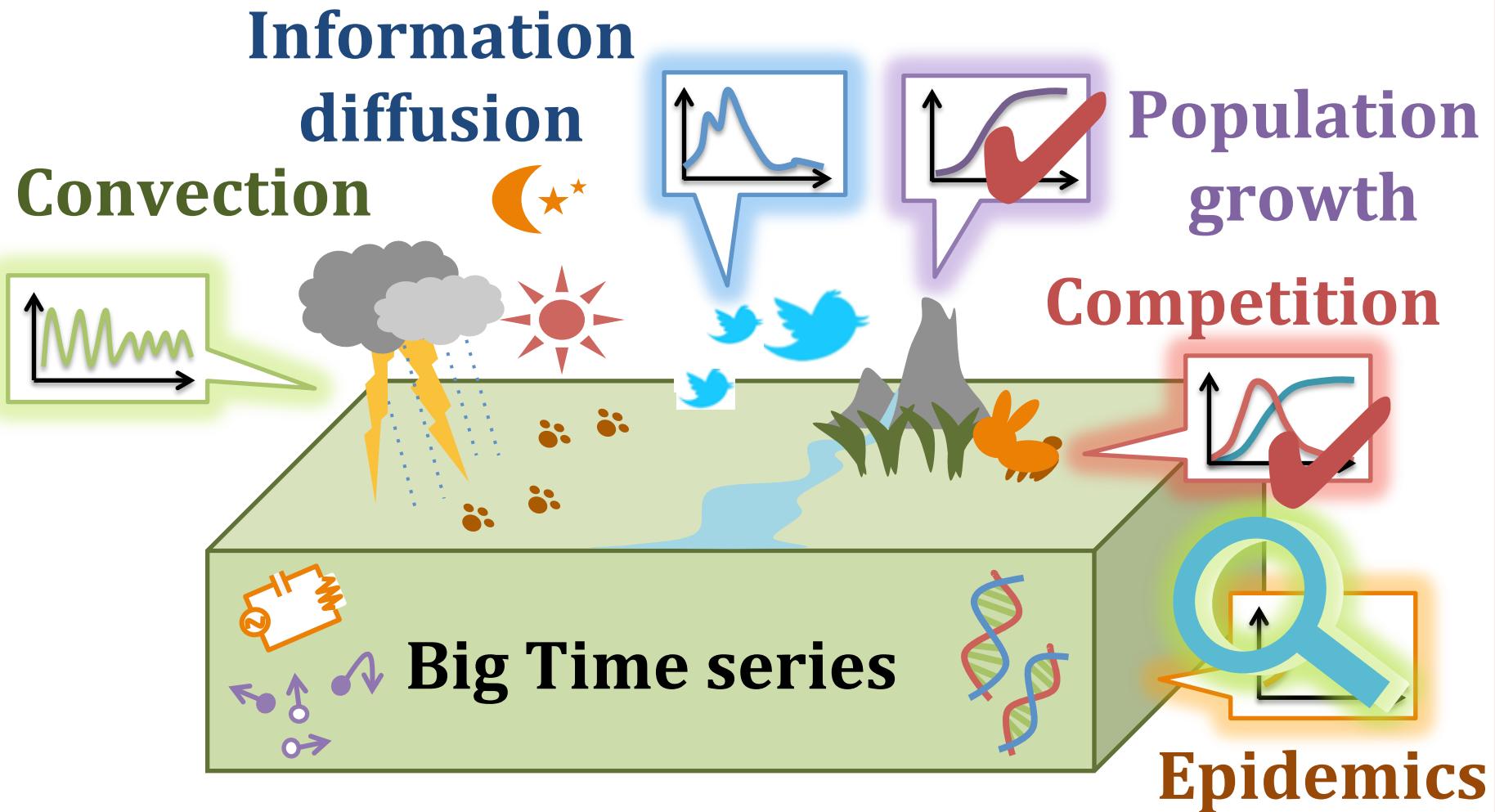
- Biological interaction
 - Table: Type of interaction

0 : no effect
- : detrimental
+ : beneficial

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



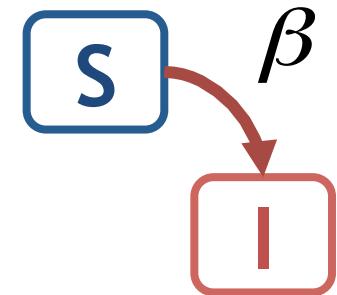
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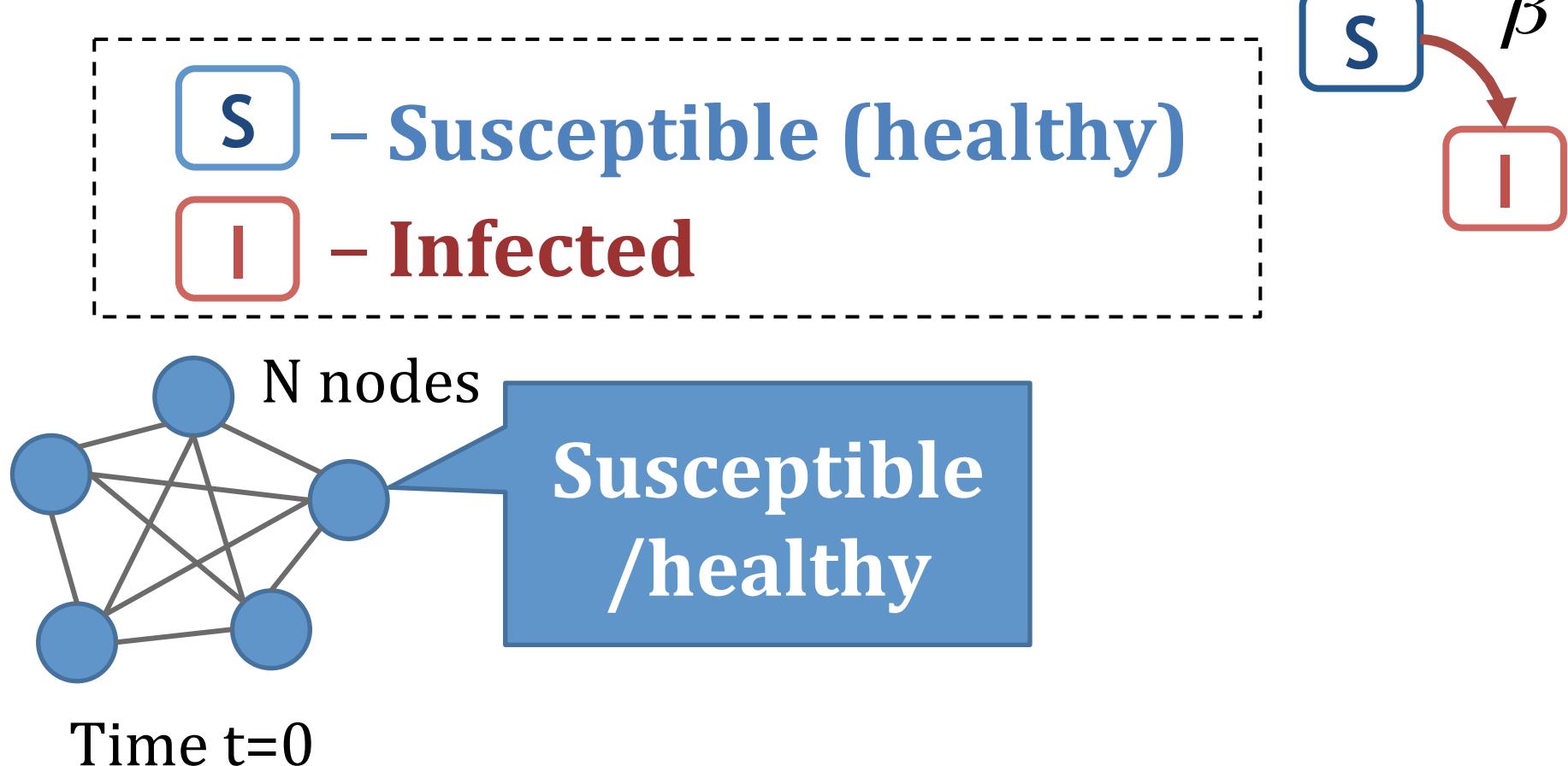
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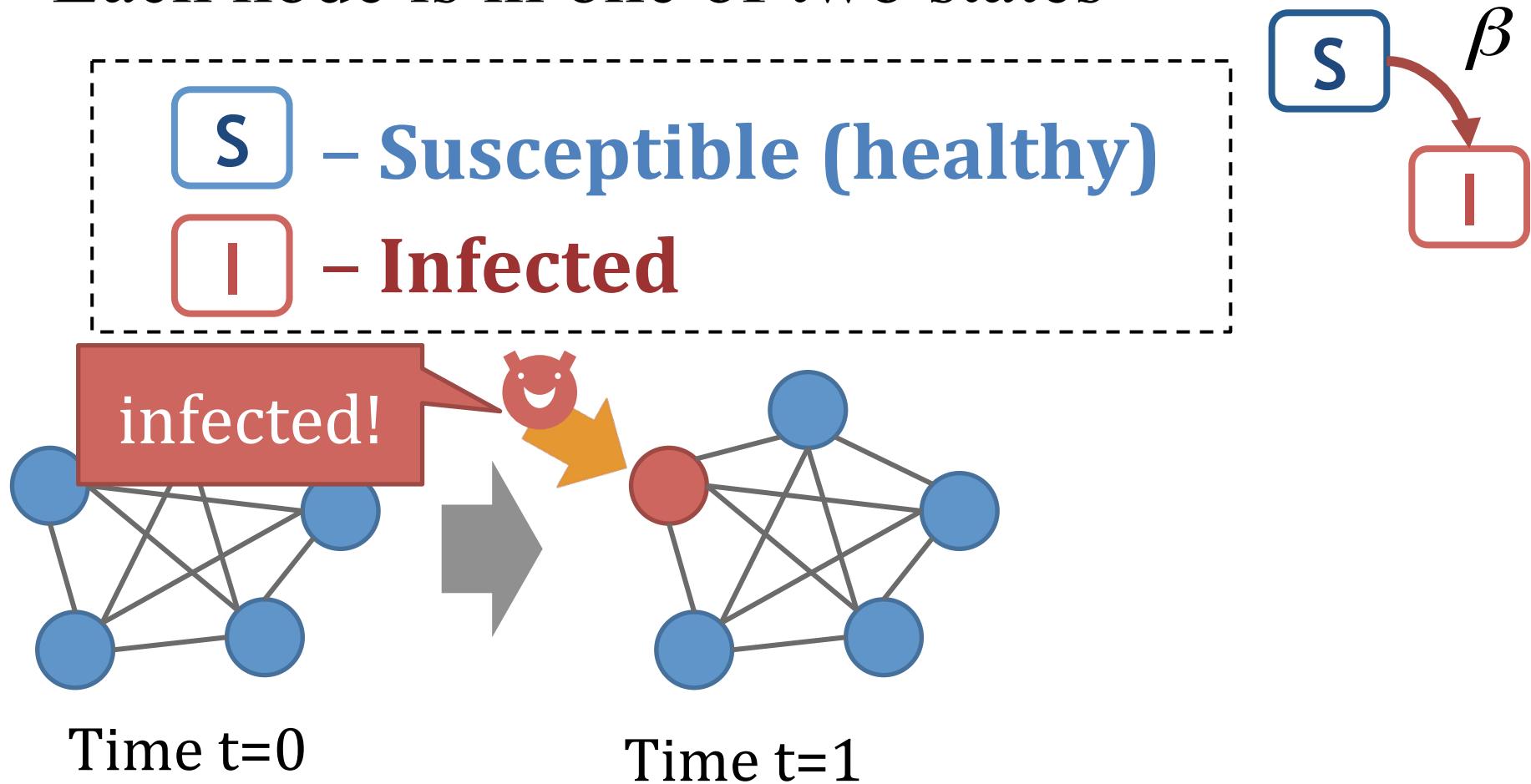
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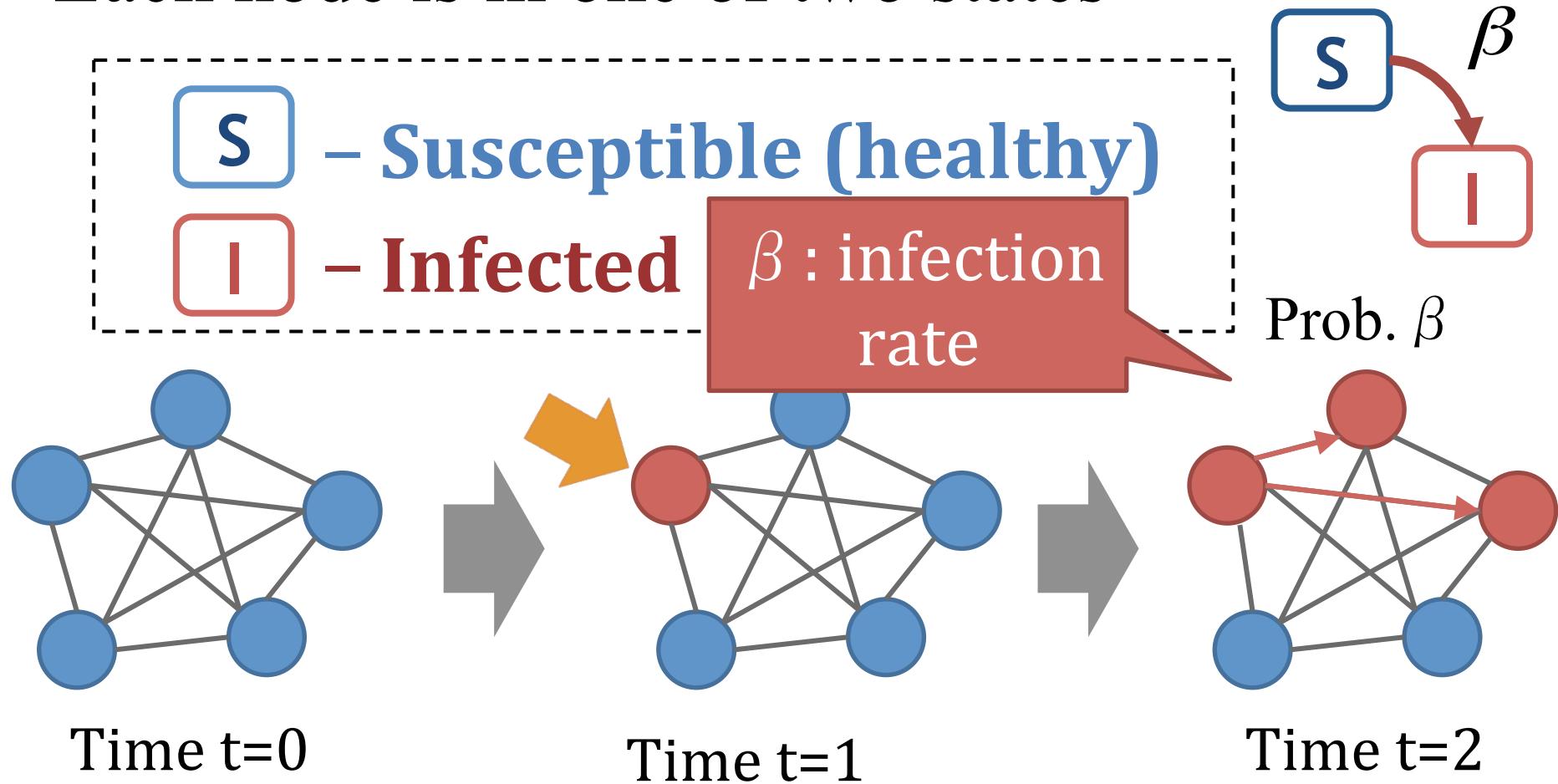
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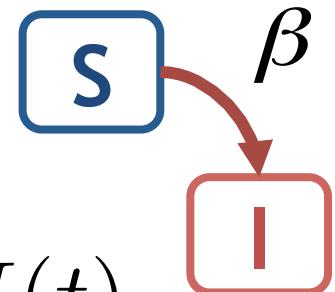




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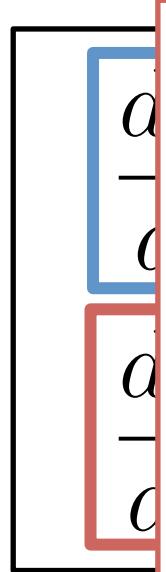
$$N = S(t) + I(t)$$

β : Infection strength
 N : Population size

i.e.,
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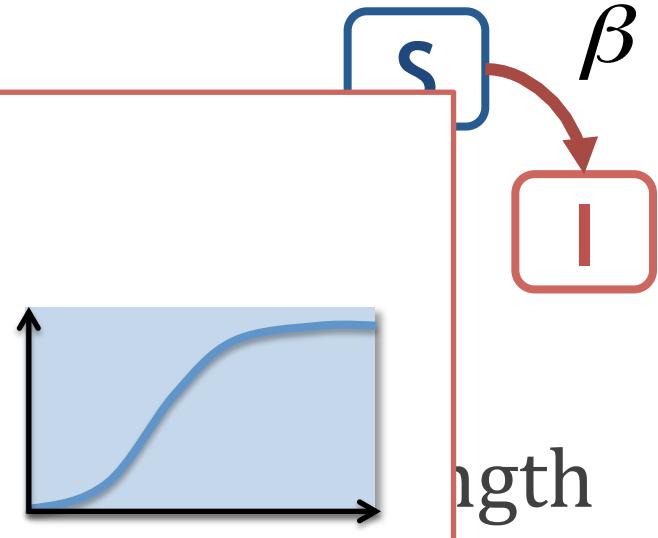


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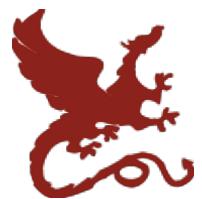
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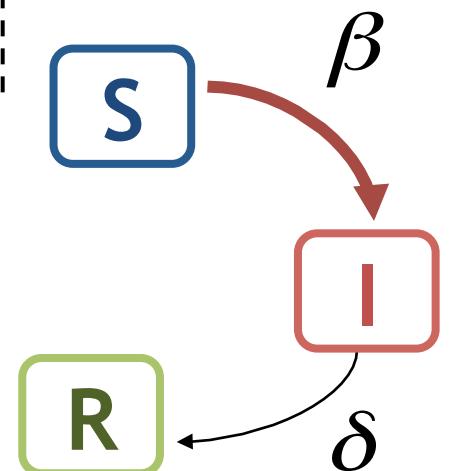


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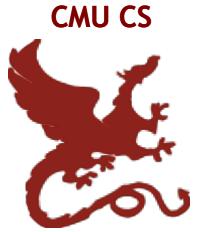


β : Infection rate
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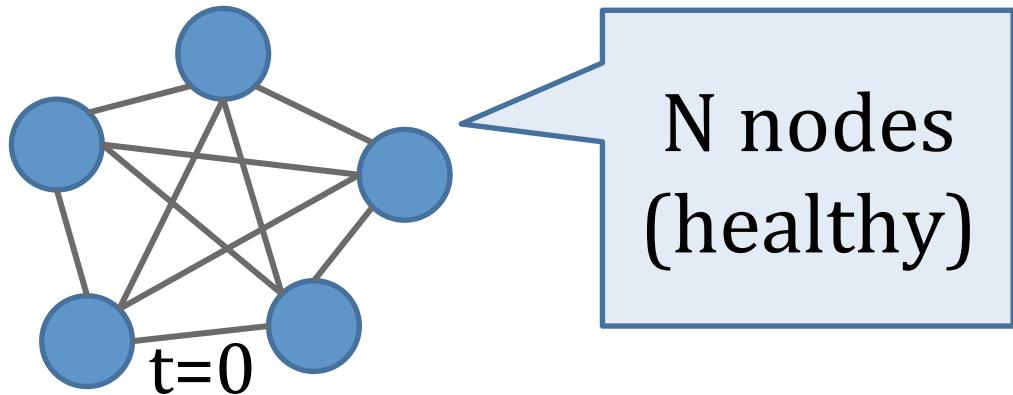


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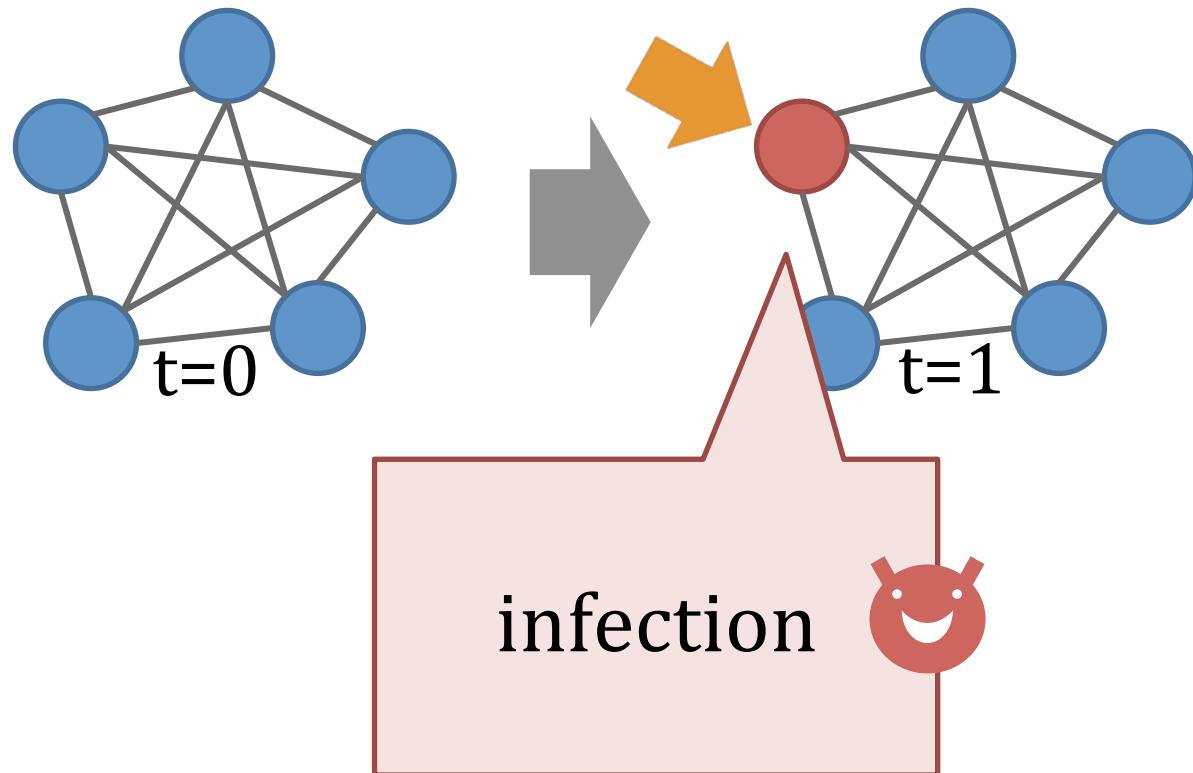
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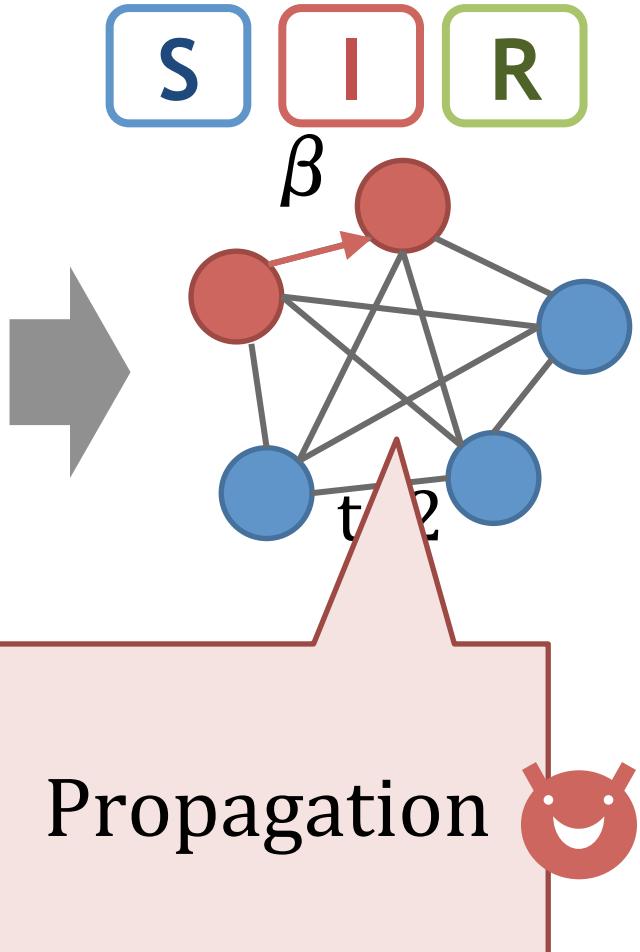
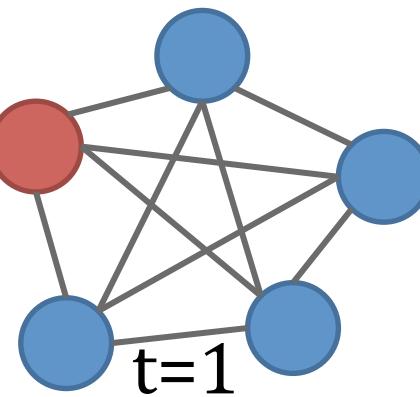
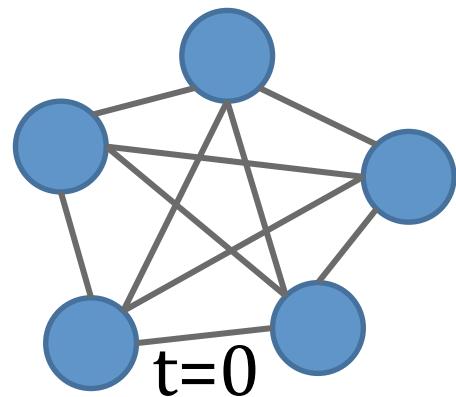
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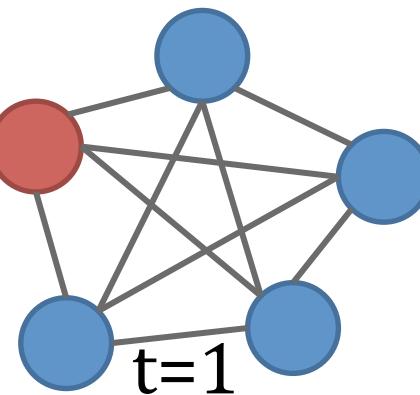
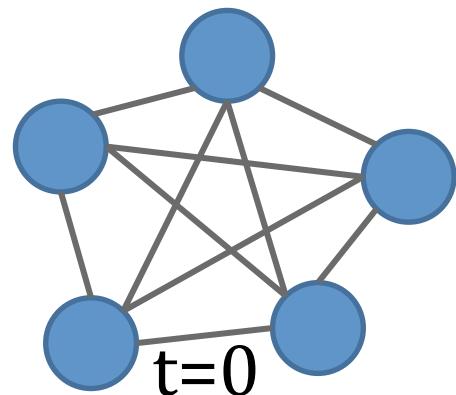
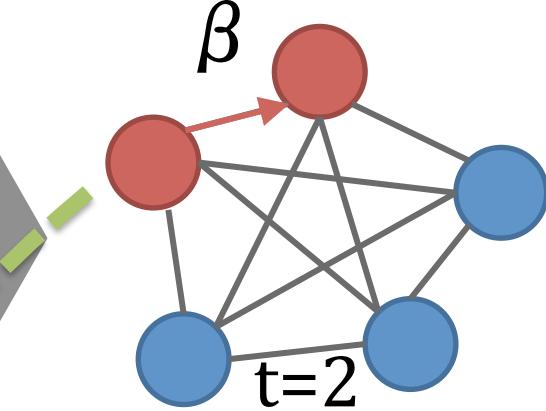
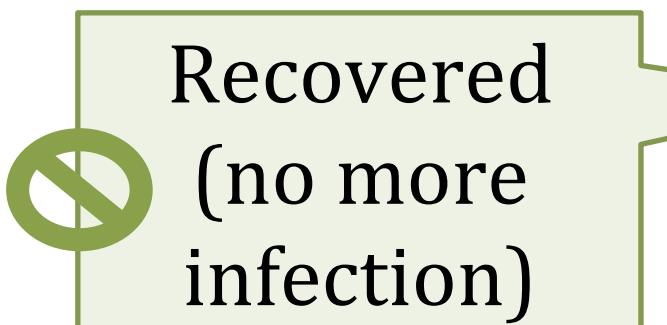
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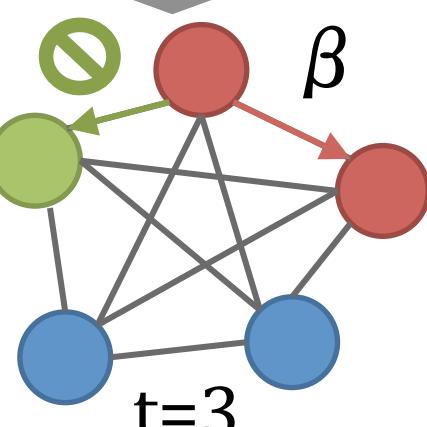


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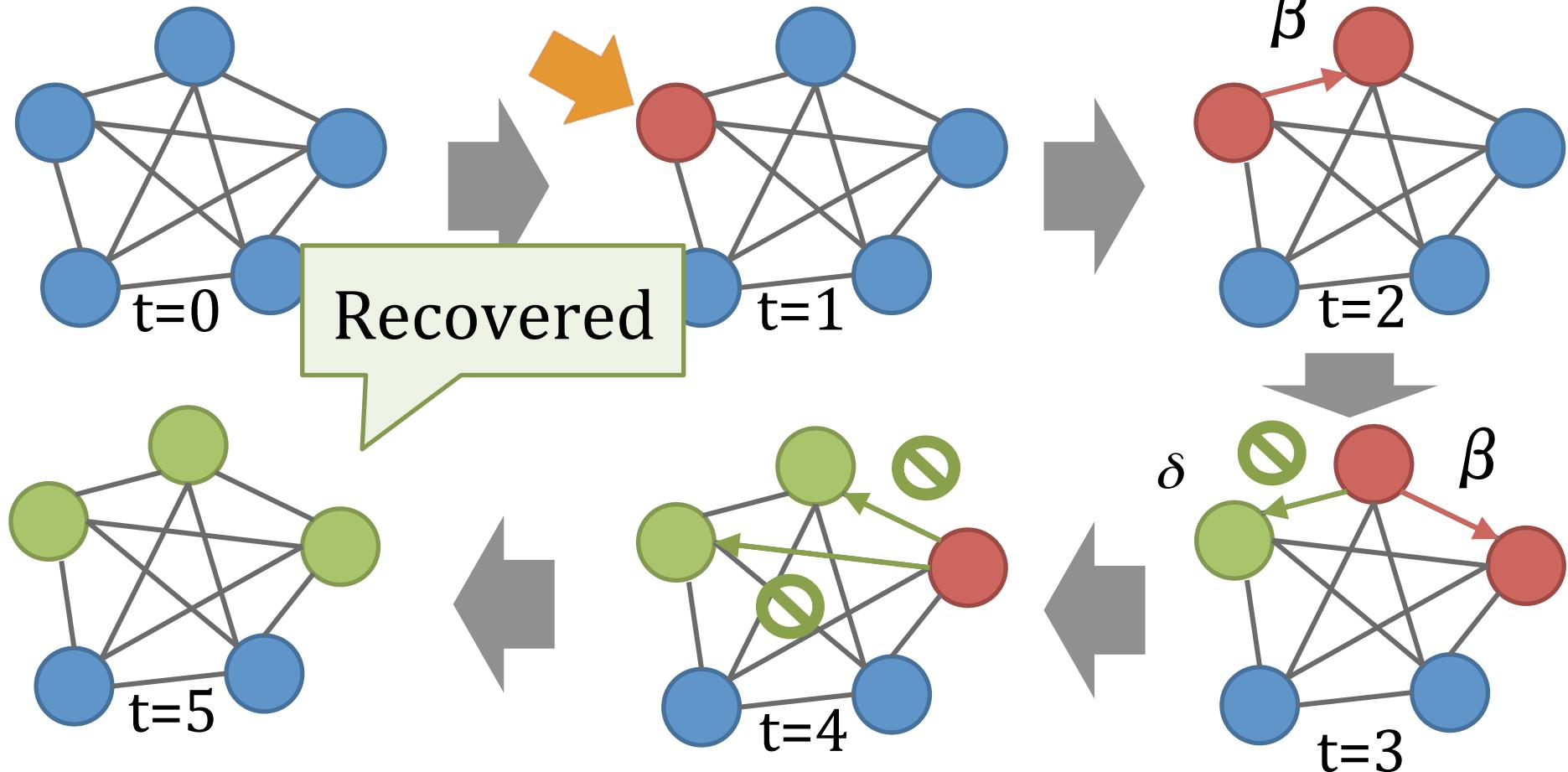
 β  $t=2$ 

Recovered (no more infection)

 δ  $t=3$

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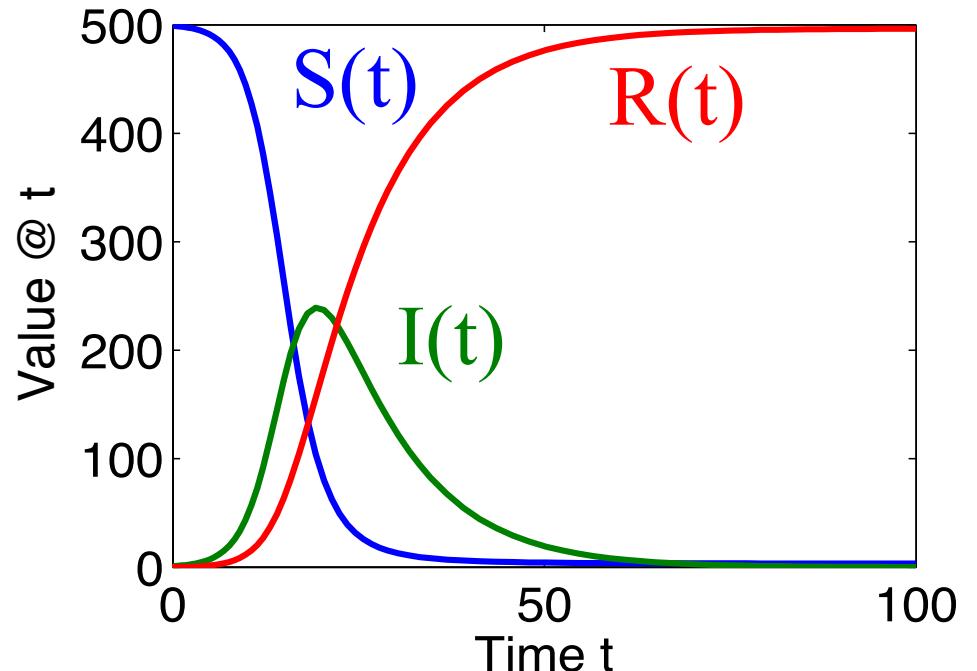
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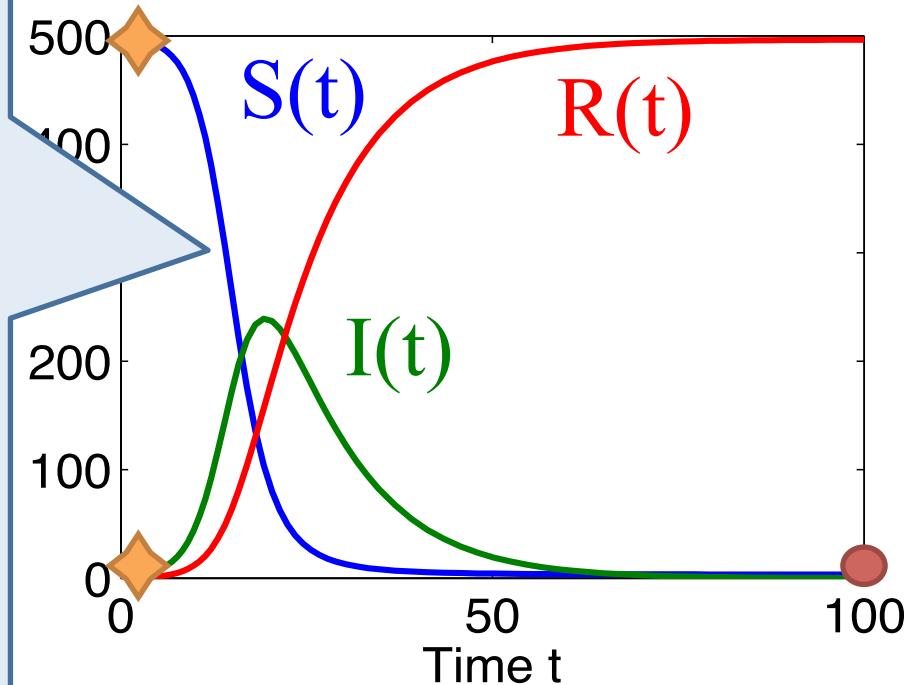
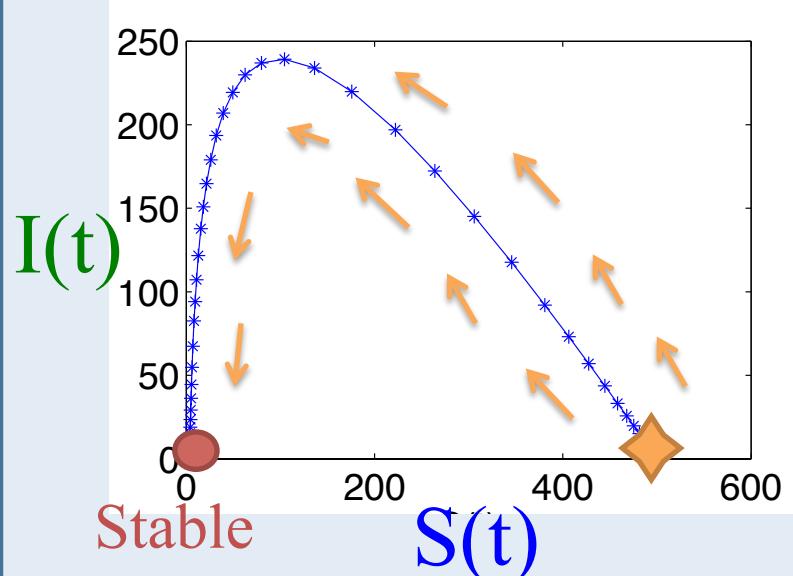
$$S(t) + I(t) + R(t) = N$$

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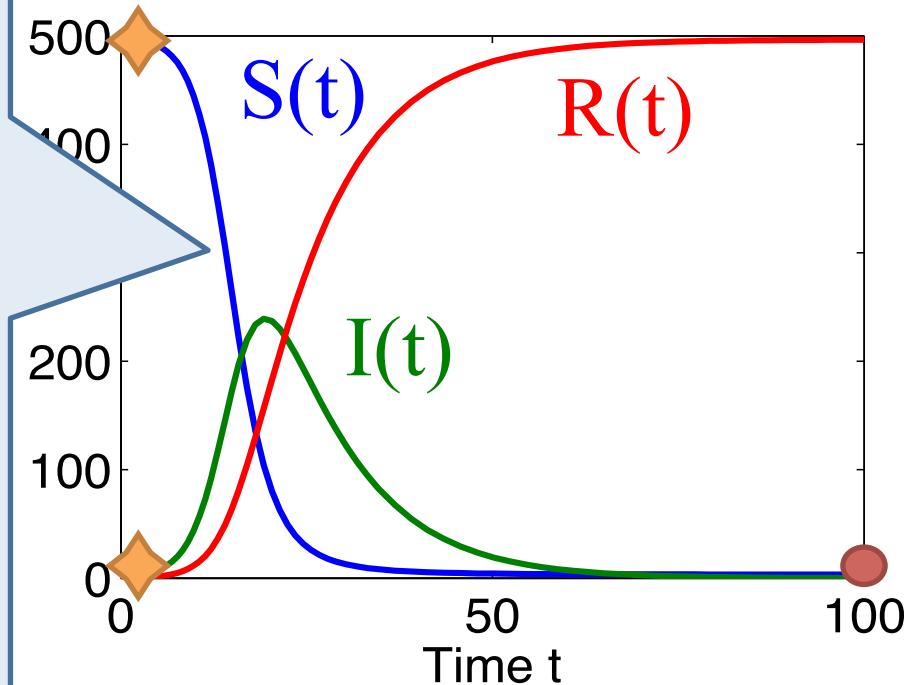
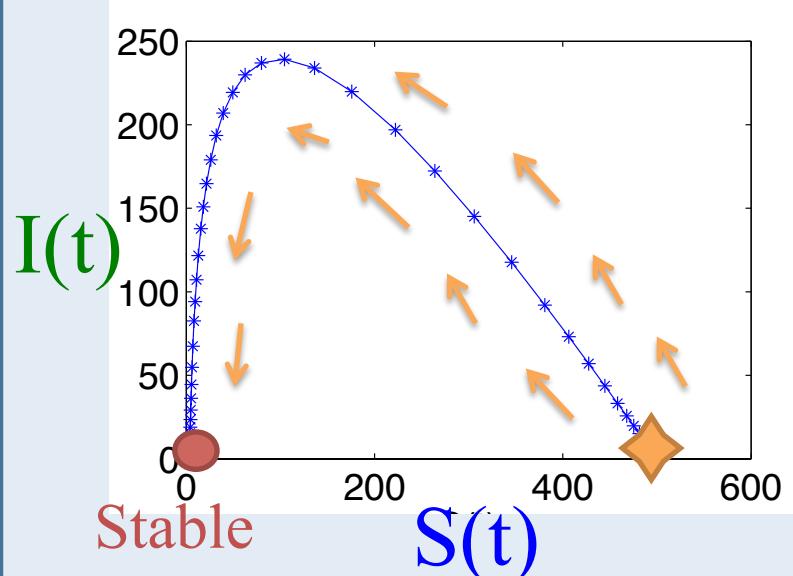


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Other epidemic models

Other virus propagation models (“VPM”)

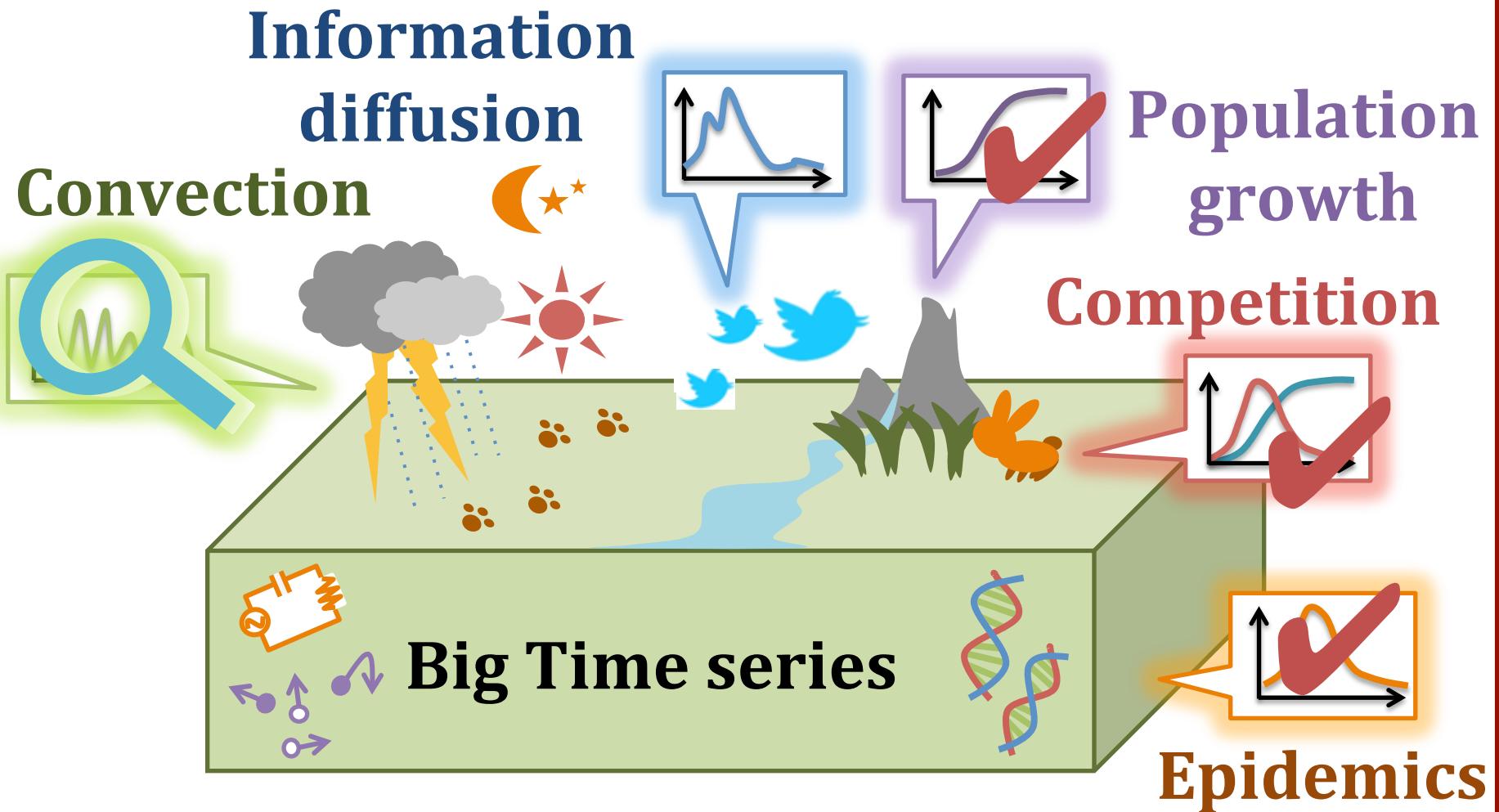
- **SIS** : susceptible-infected-susceptible, flu-like
- **SIRS** : temporary immunity, like pertussis
- **SEIR** : mumps-like, with virus **incubation**
(E = Exposed)
- **SEIR-birth/death**: with birth/death rate

Underlying contact-network

- ‘who-can-infect-whom’



Grey-box mining and non-linear equations





Other non-linear models

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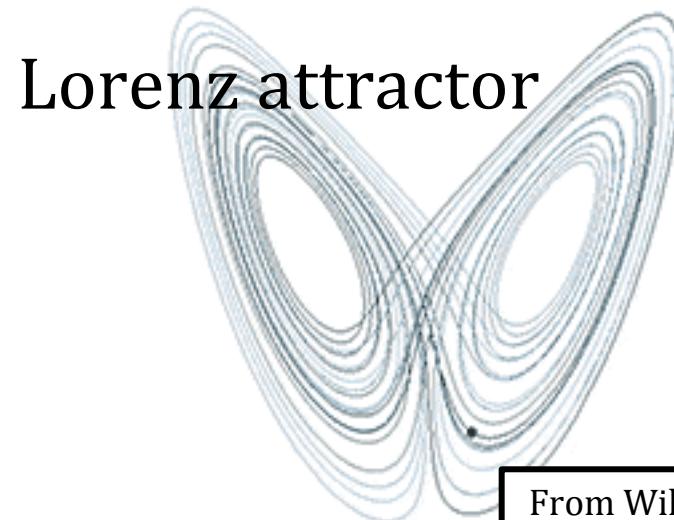
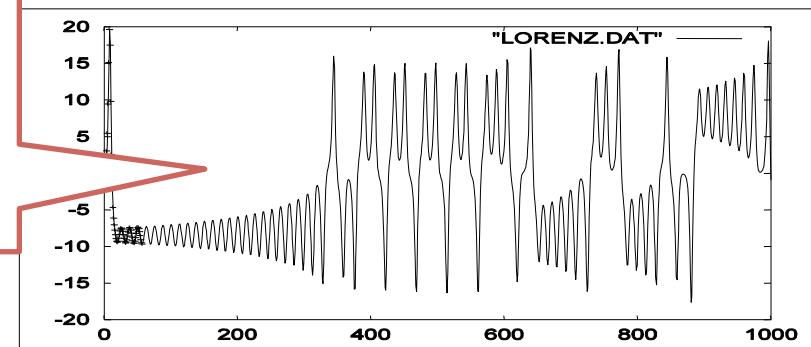
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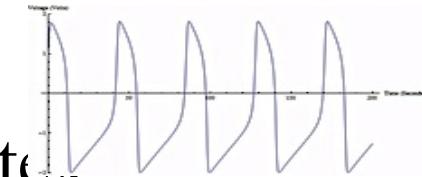
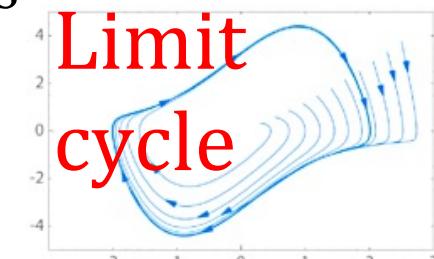
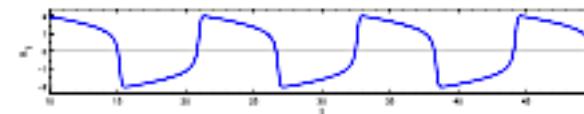
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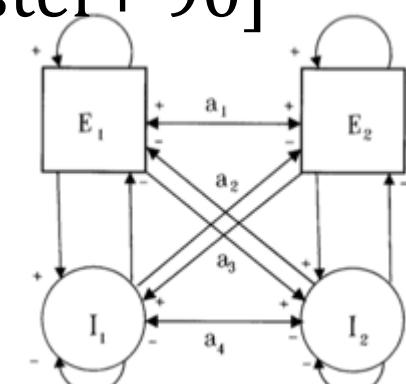
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 - Electric circuits, heart-beats, neurons
- FitzHugh-Nagumo model
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 - Epilepsy
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[Schuster+ 90]





Part 2

Roadmap



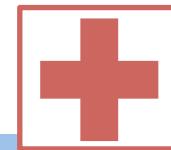
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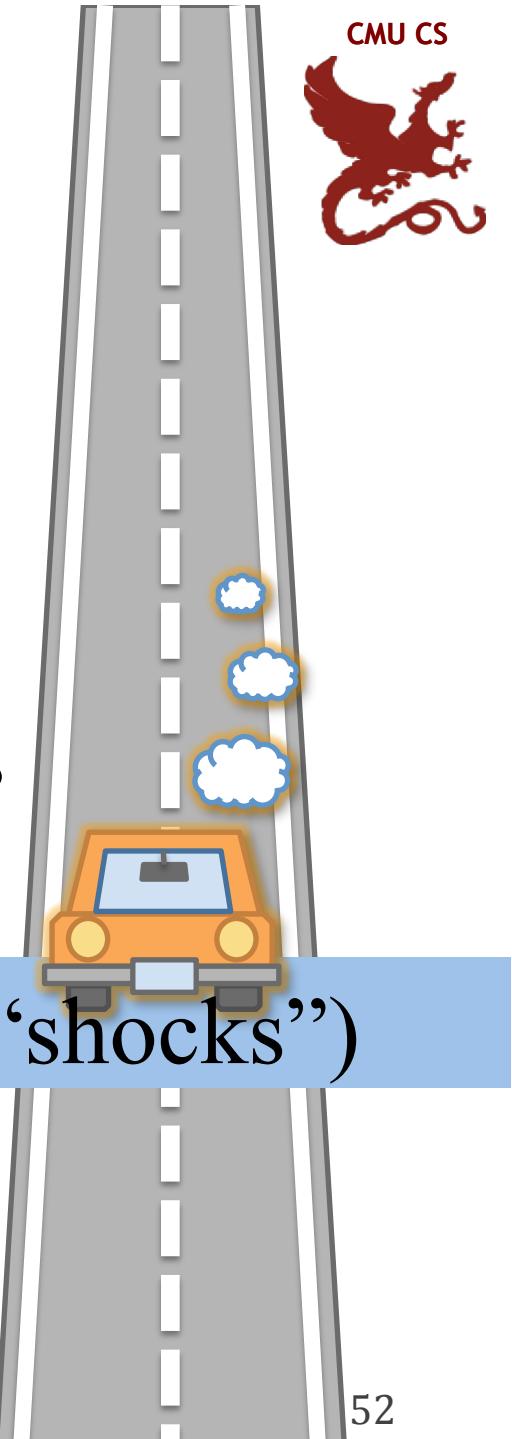
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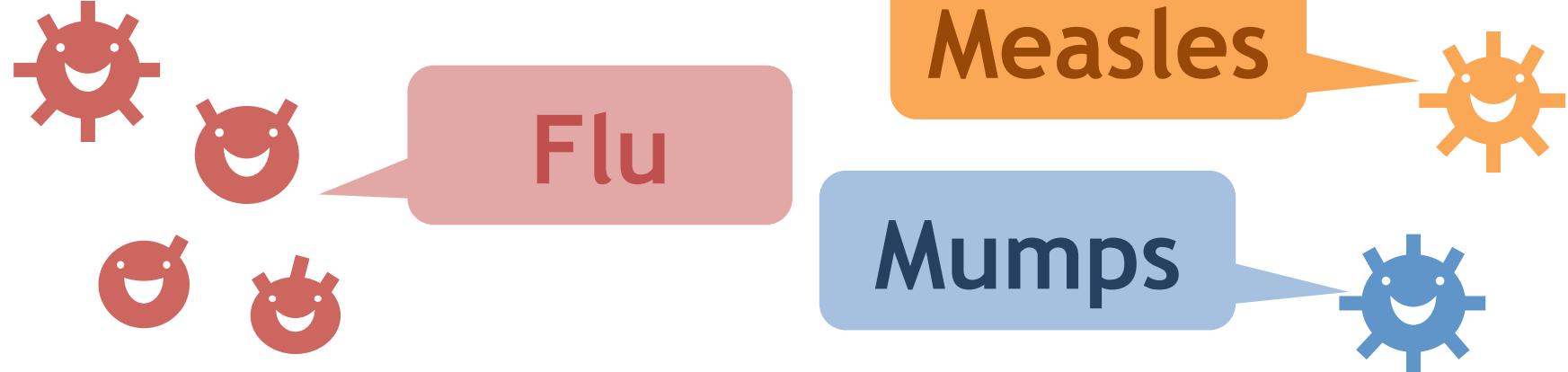


- Epidemics (skips, competition, “shocks”)
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- Online competition



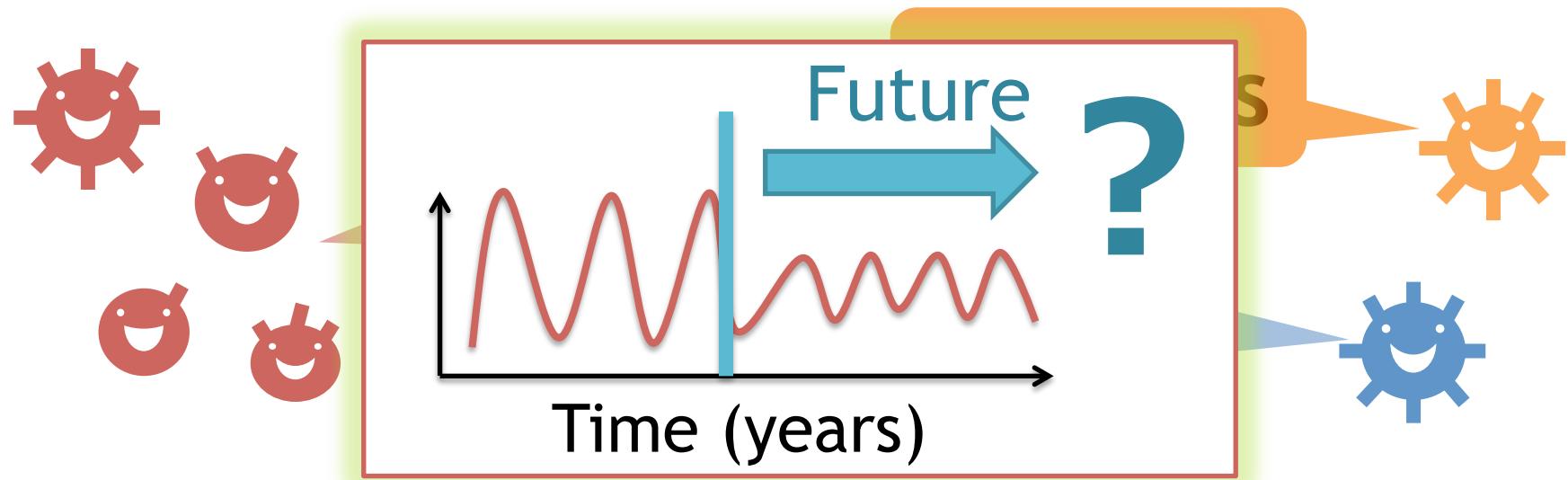


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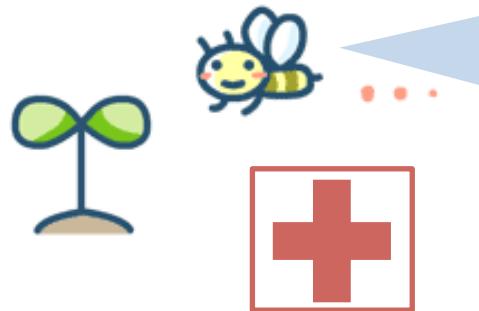


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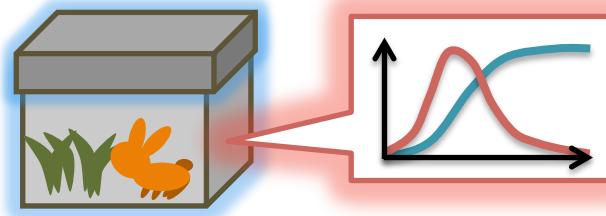


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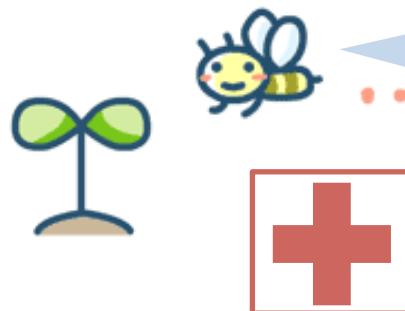
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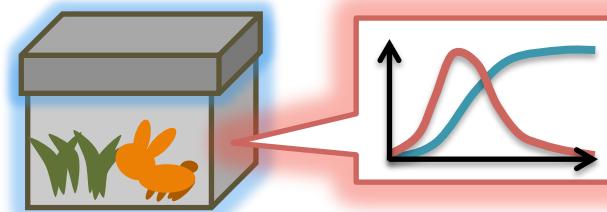


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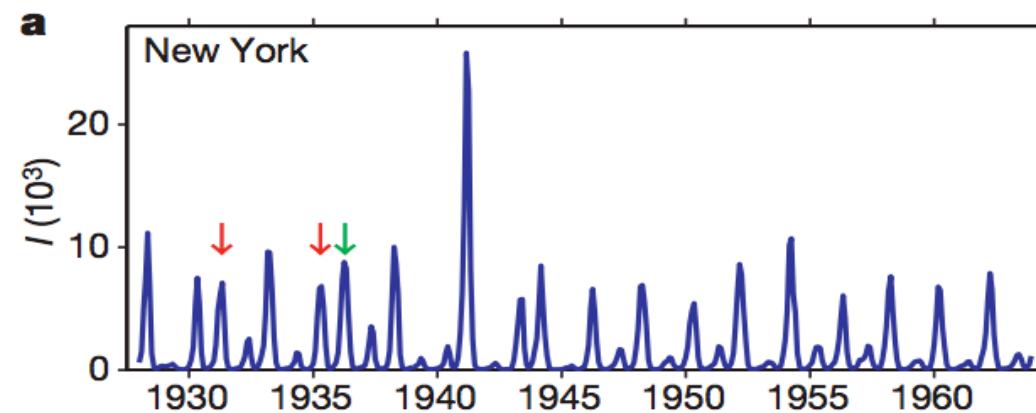
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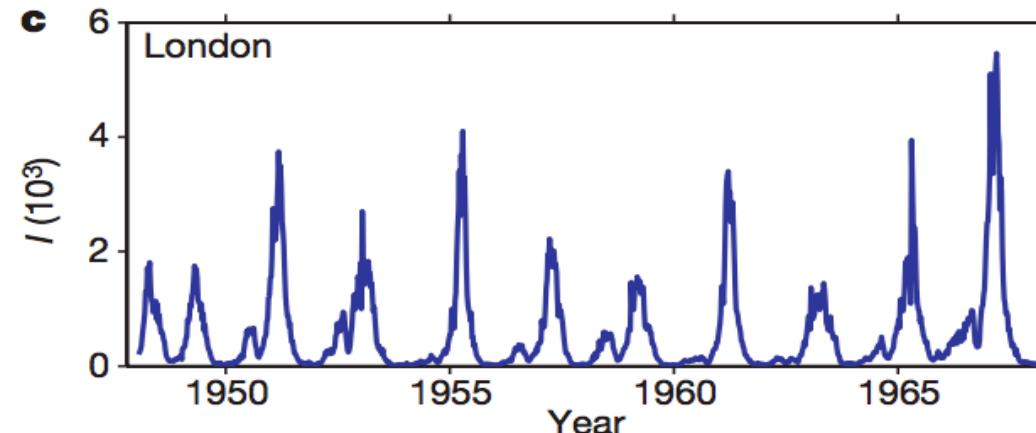
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New York



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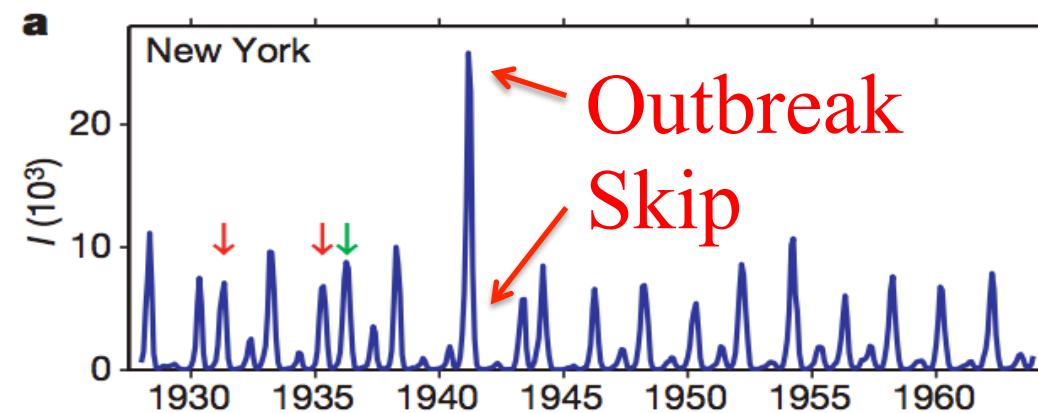
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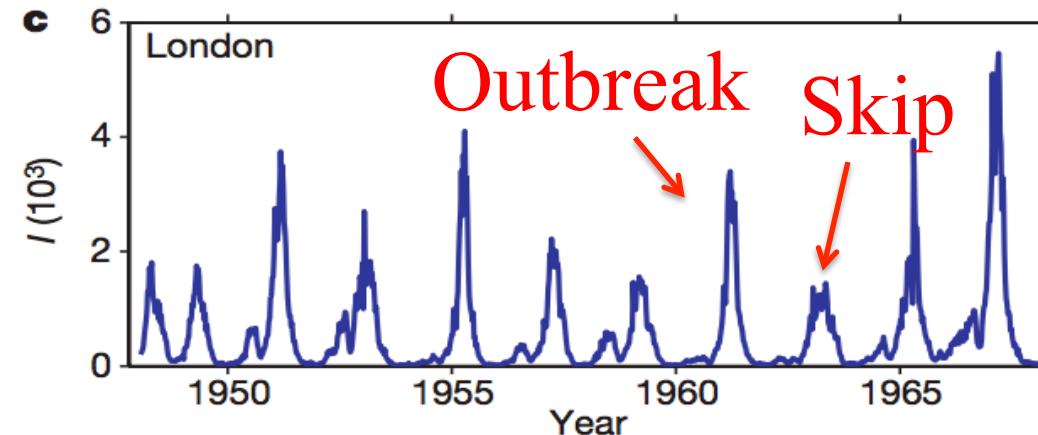
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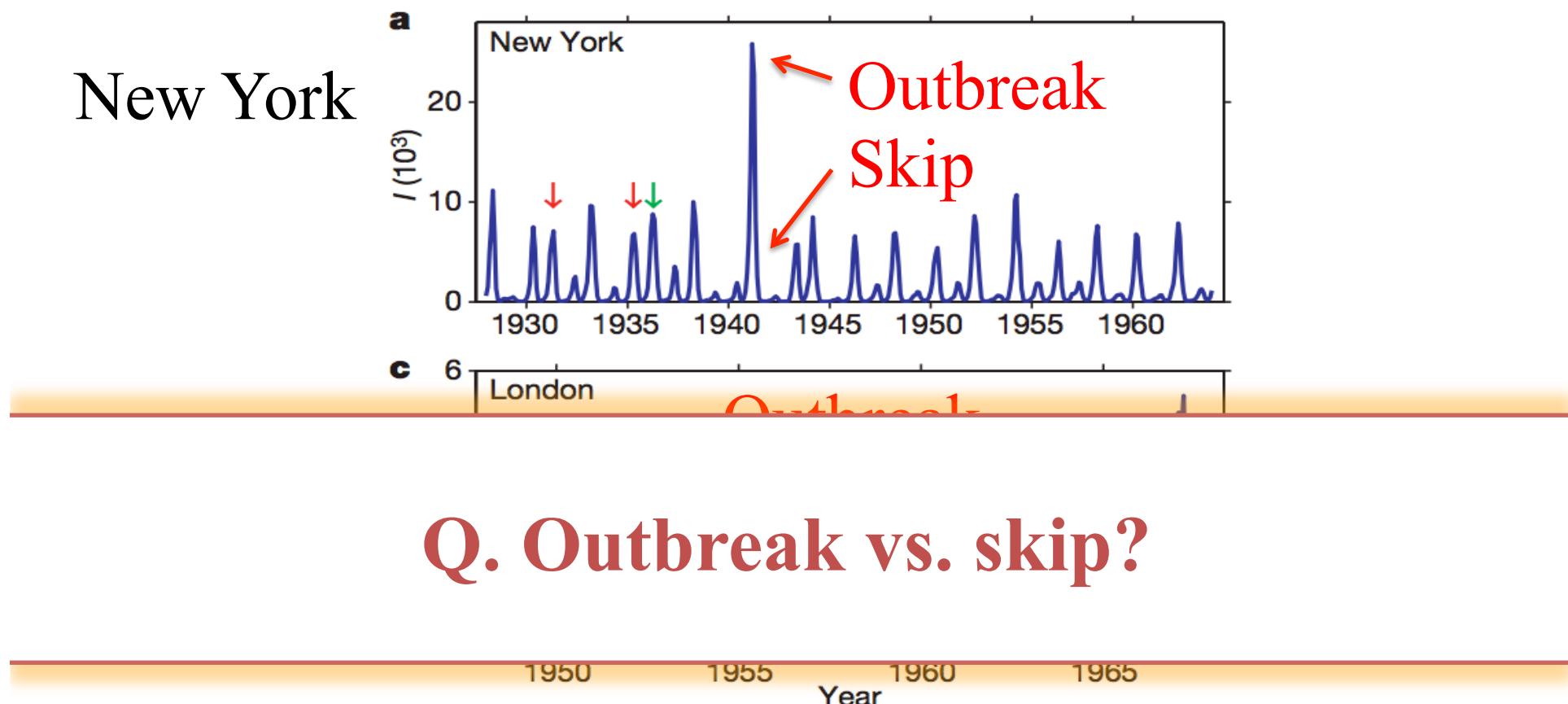


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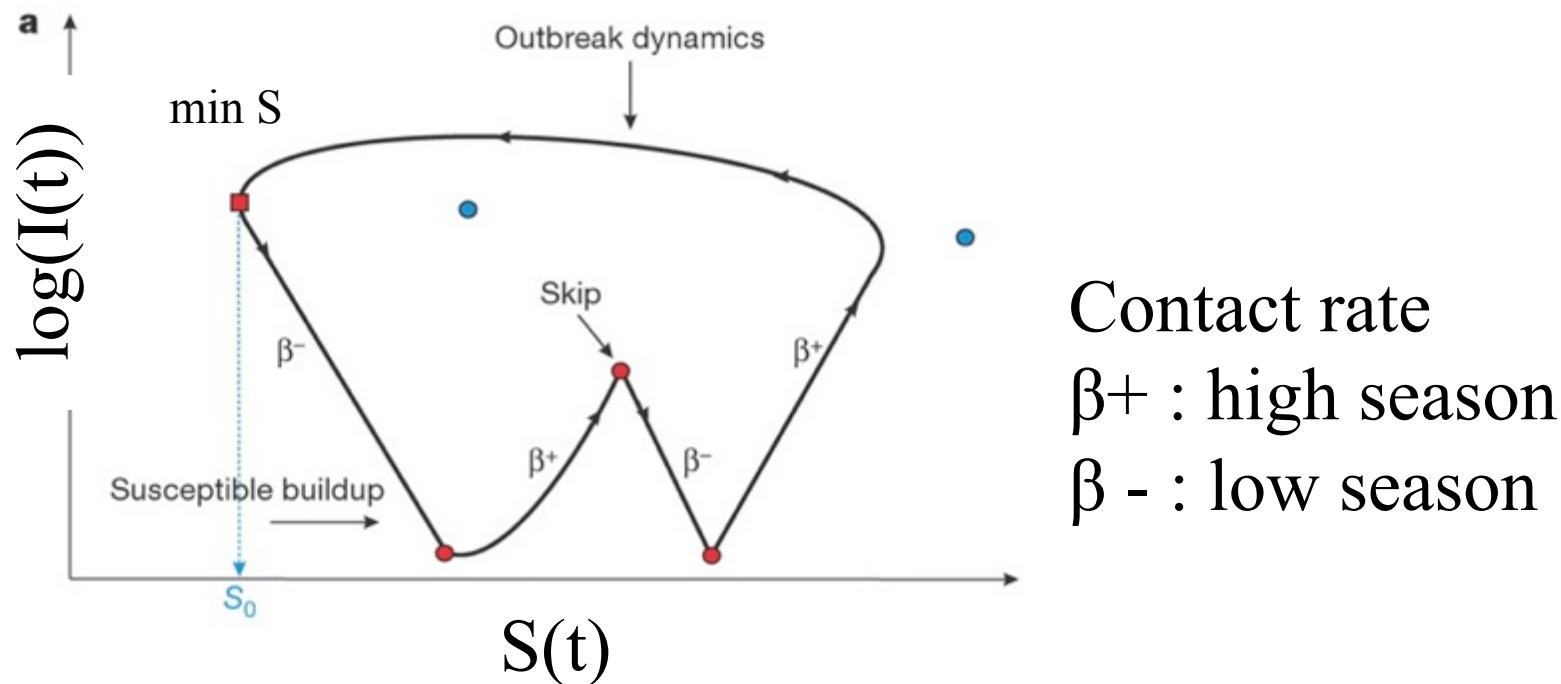


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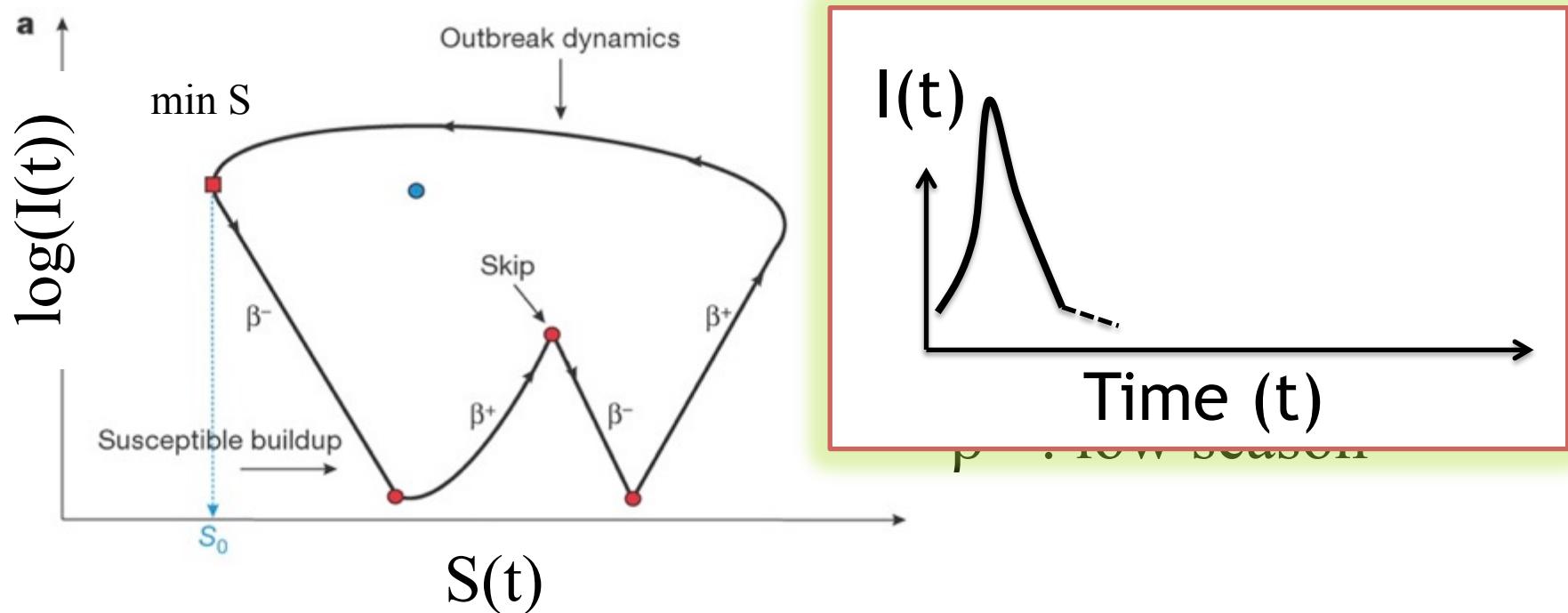


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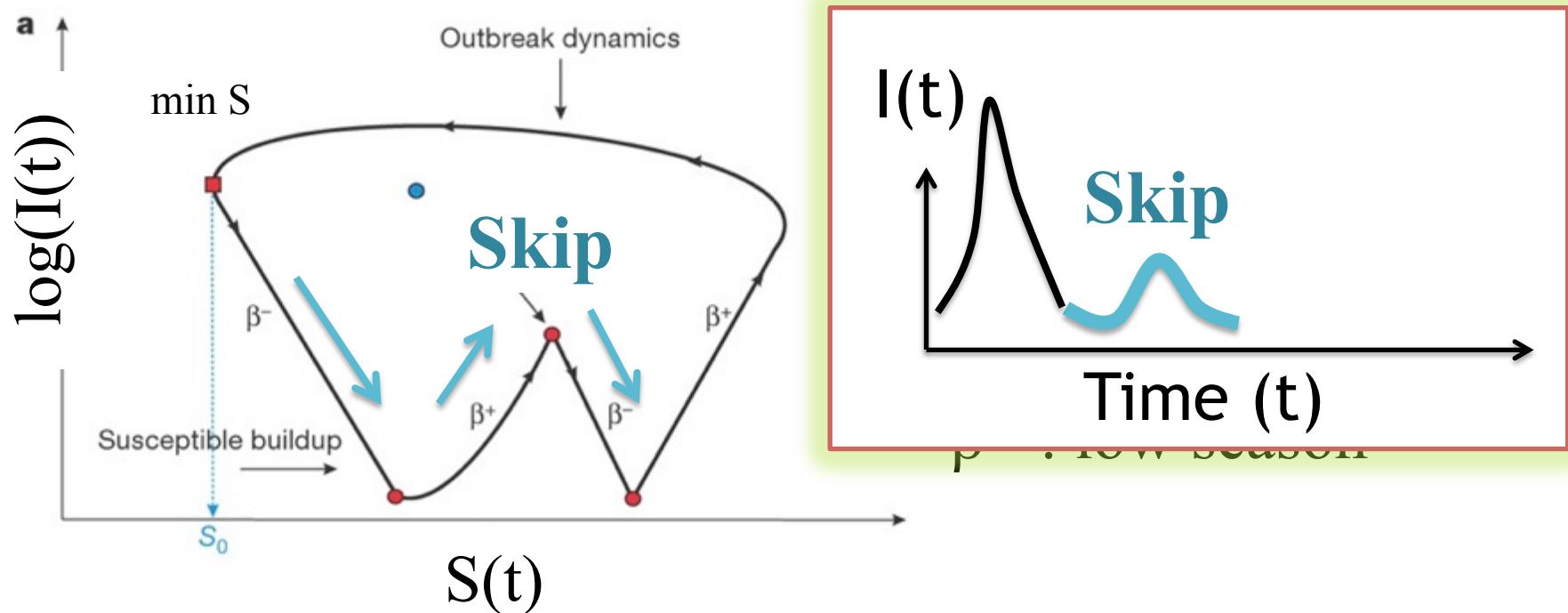


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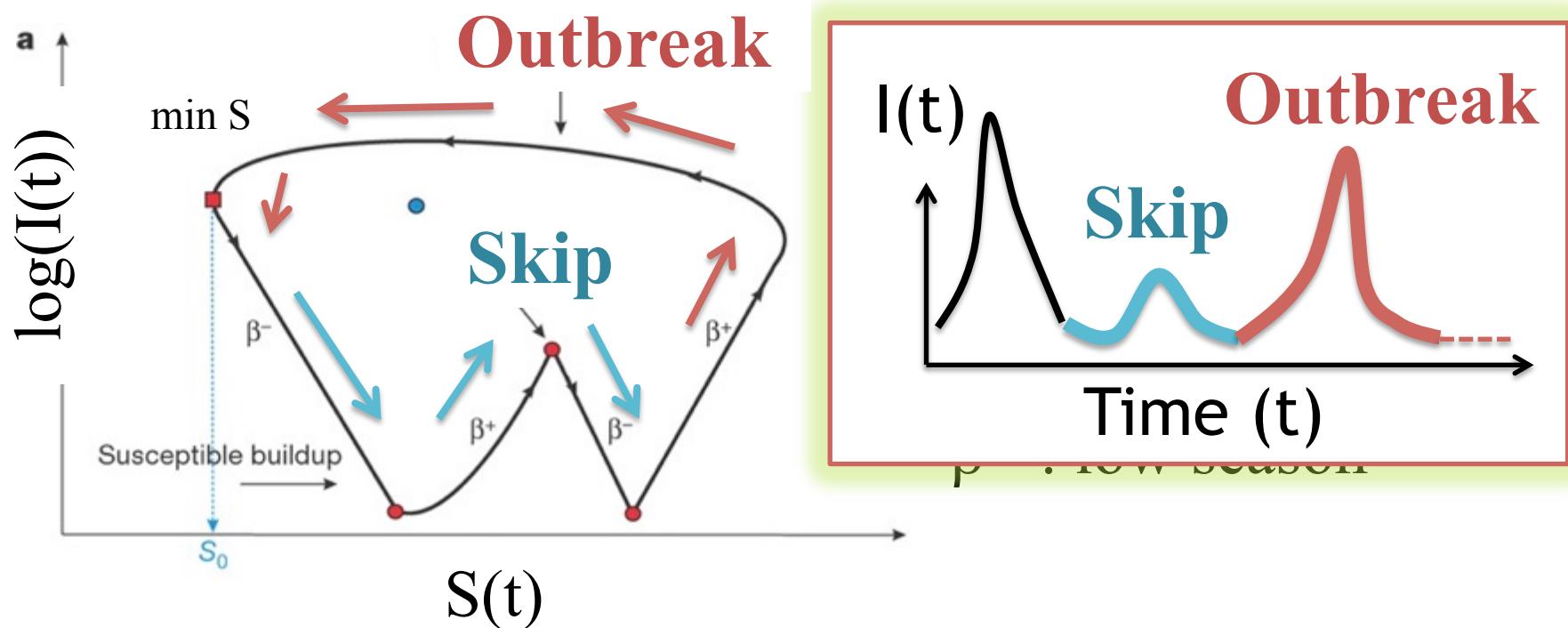


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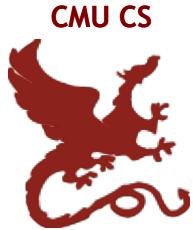
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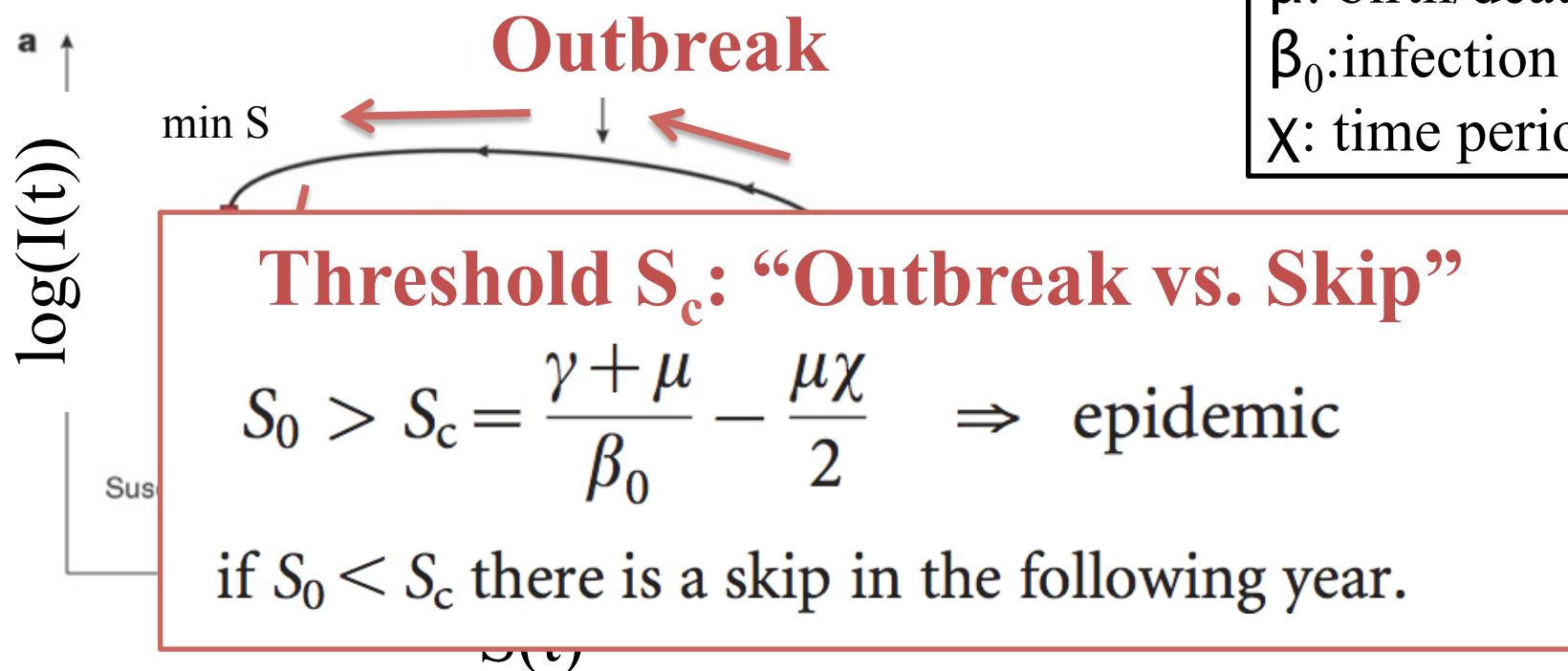
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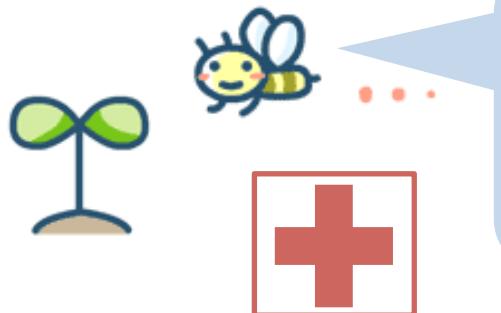
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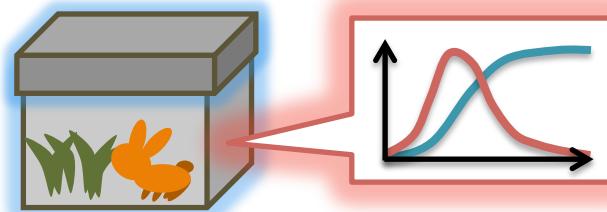


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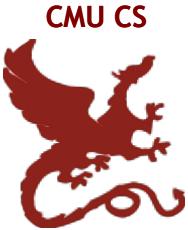


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Measles



Whooping
cough

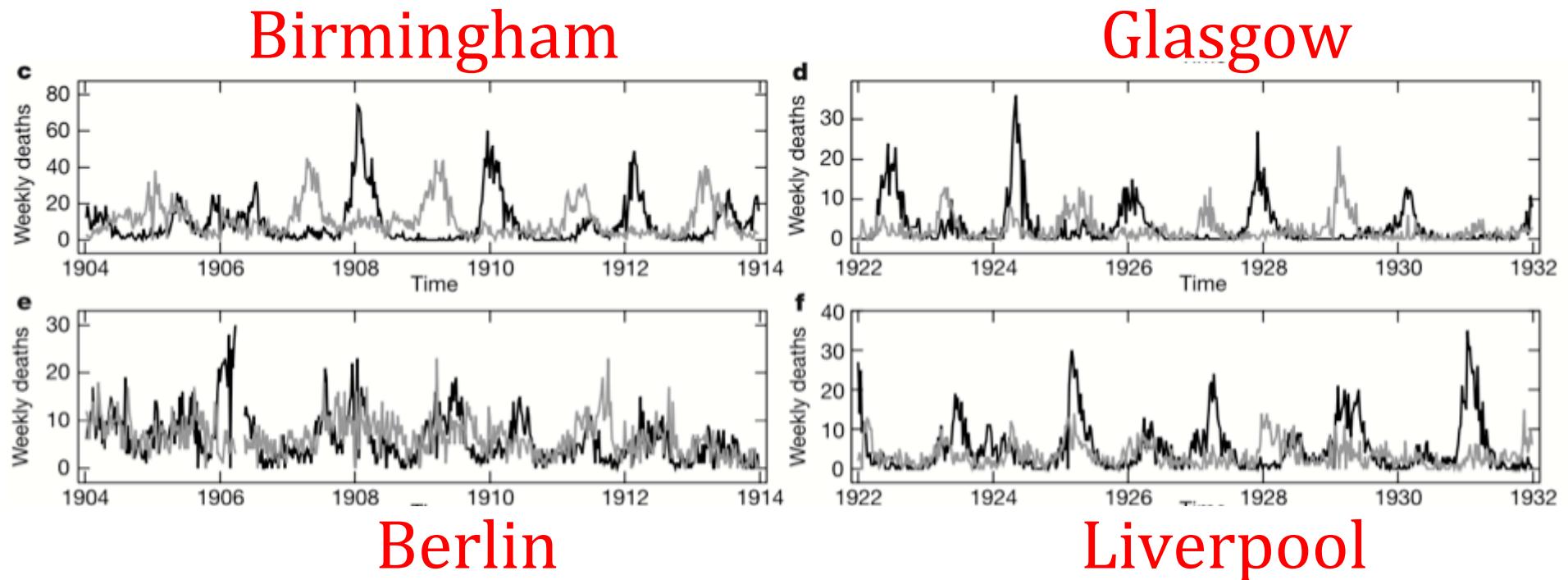


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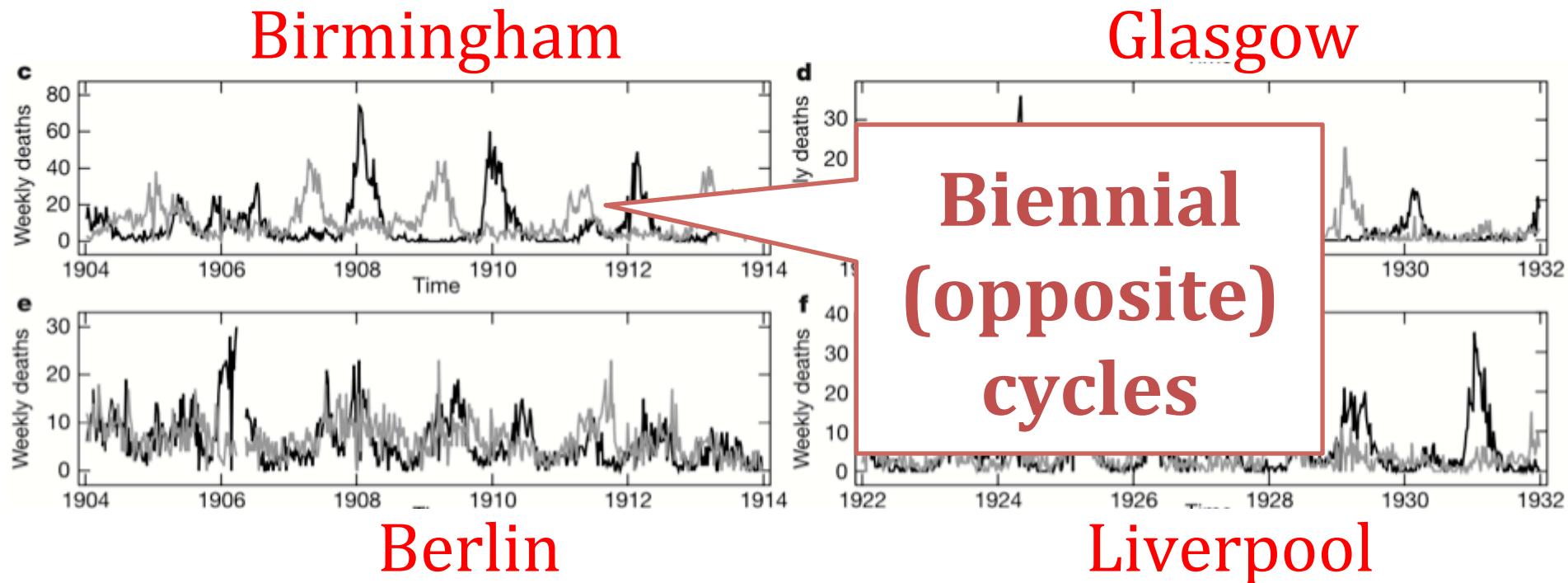


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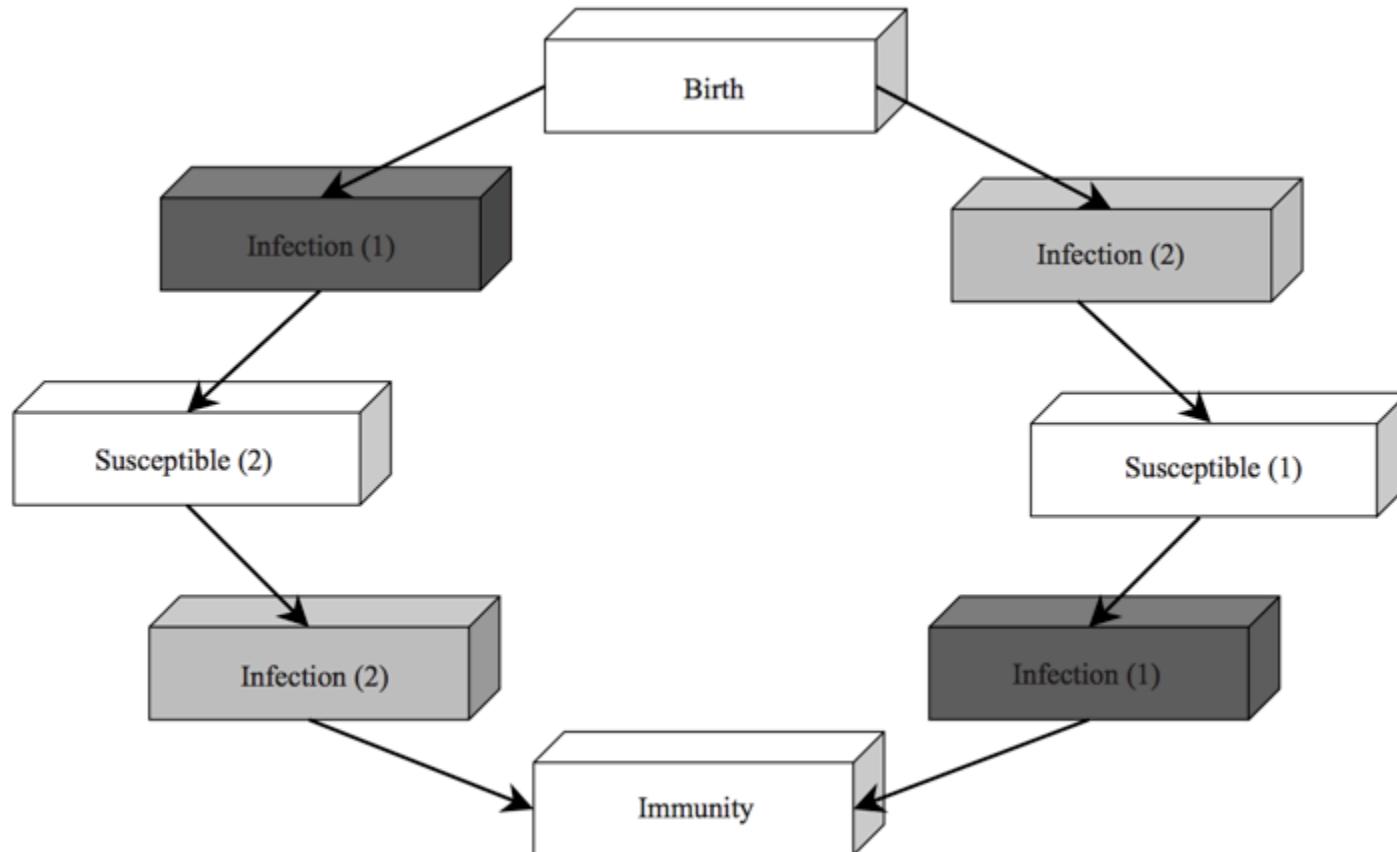
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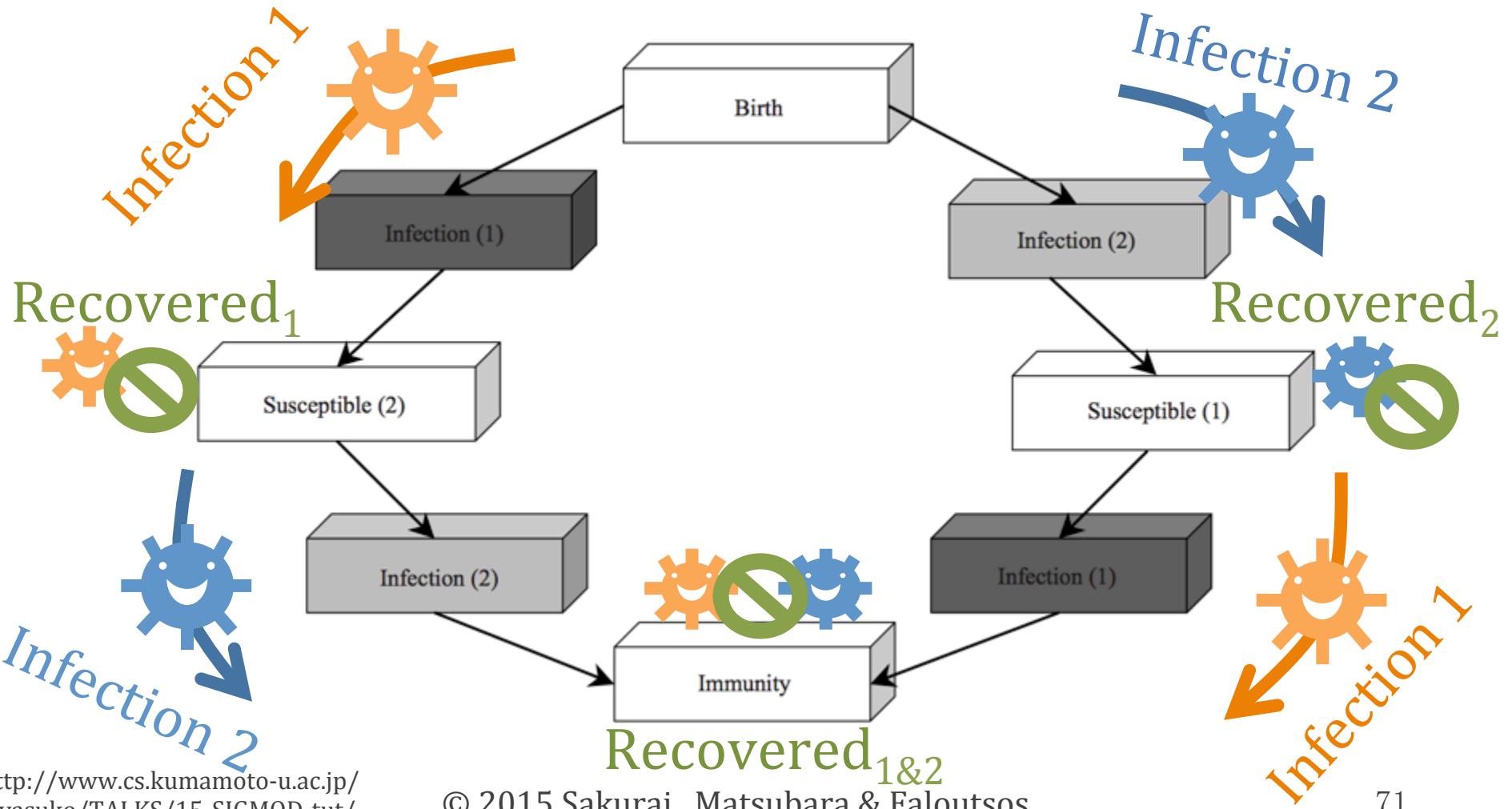
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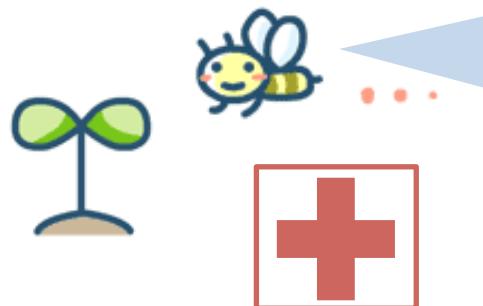
[Rohani+ Nature'03]

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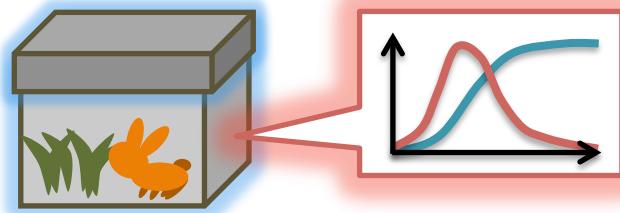


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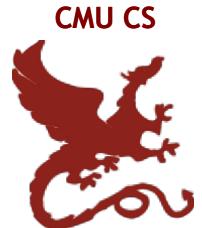


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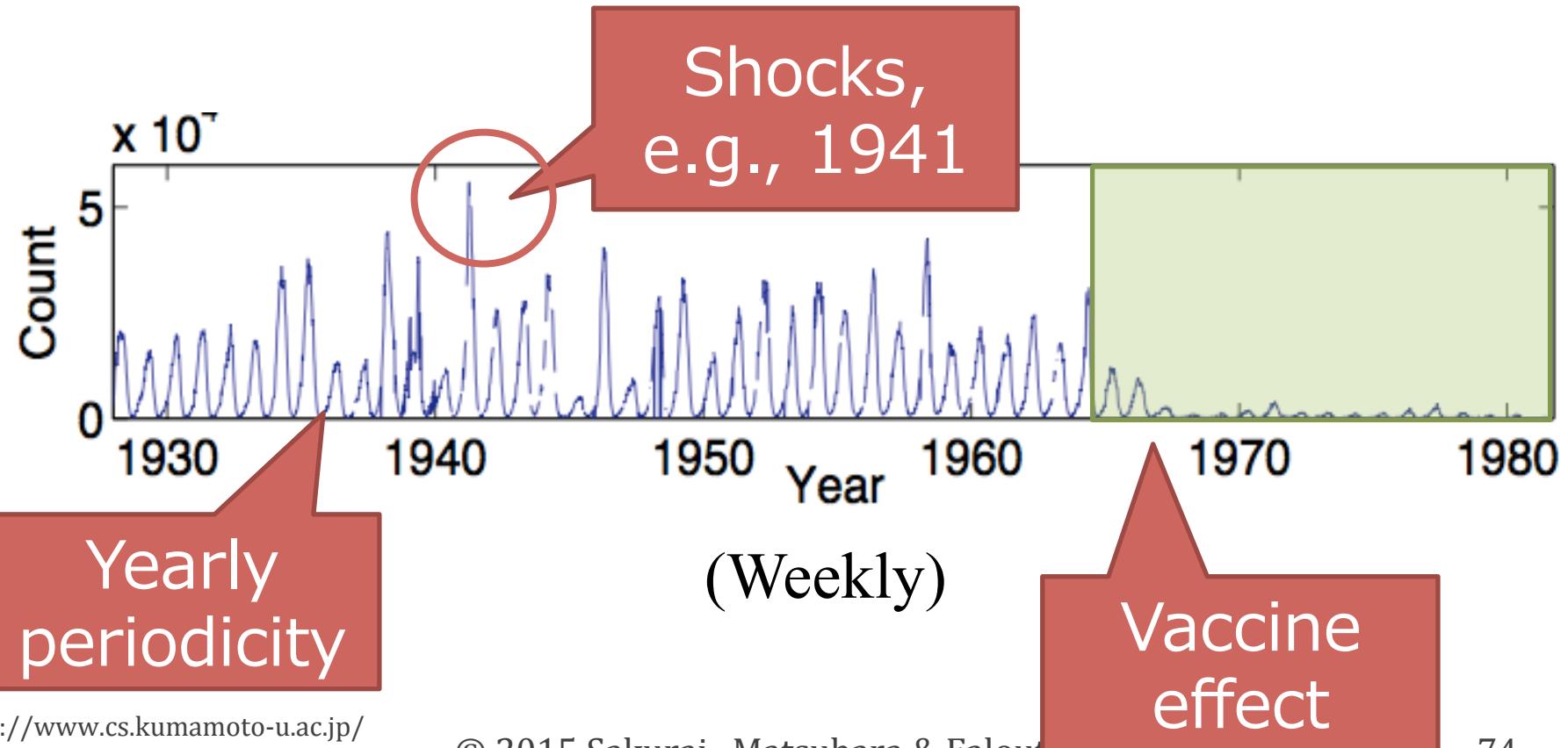
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with a single epidemic

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





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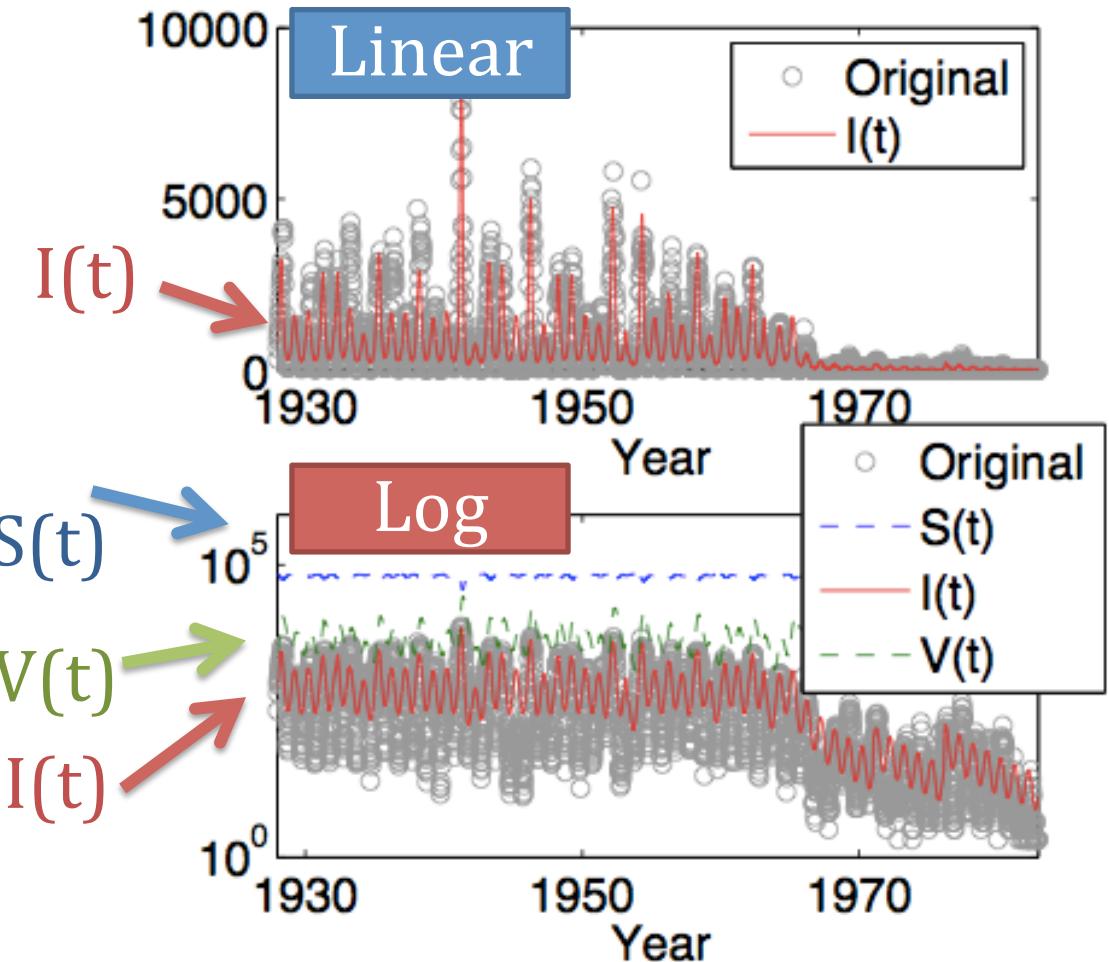
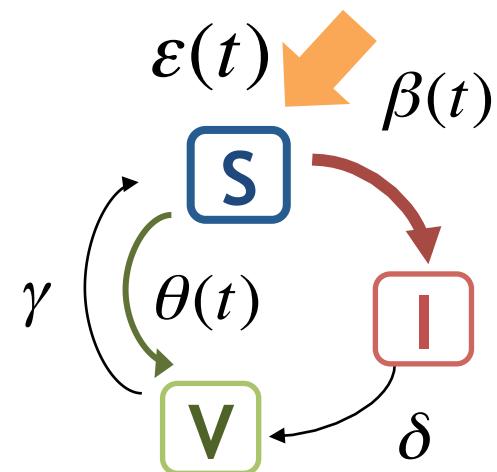
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With a single epidemic: Funnel-RE

People of 3 classes

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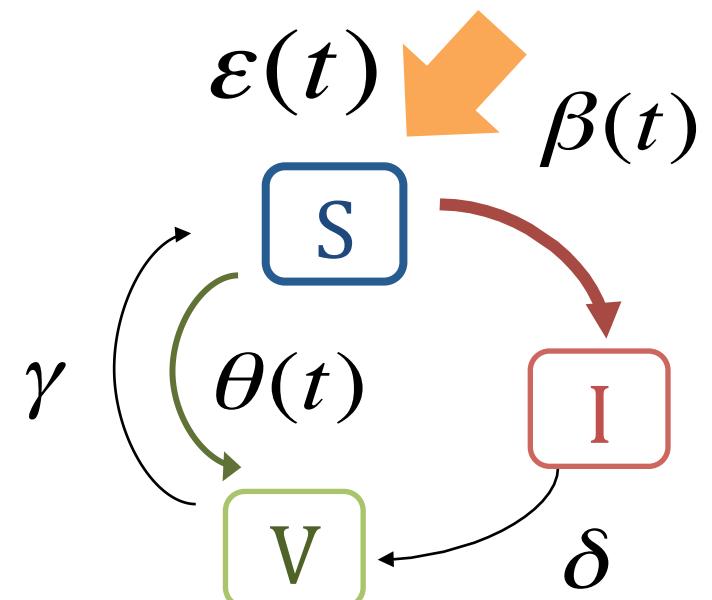
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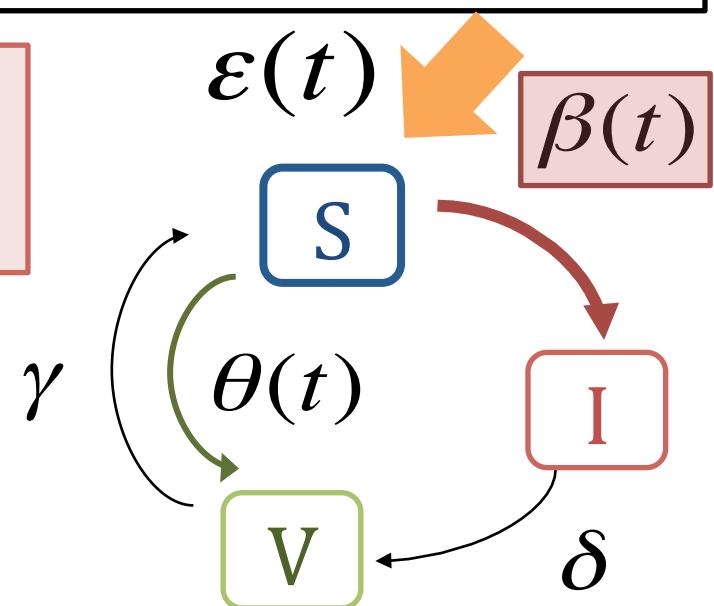
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$\beta(t)$: strength of infection
(yearly periodic func)

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

$$P_p = 52$$





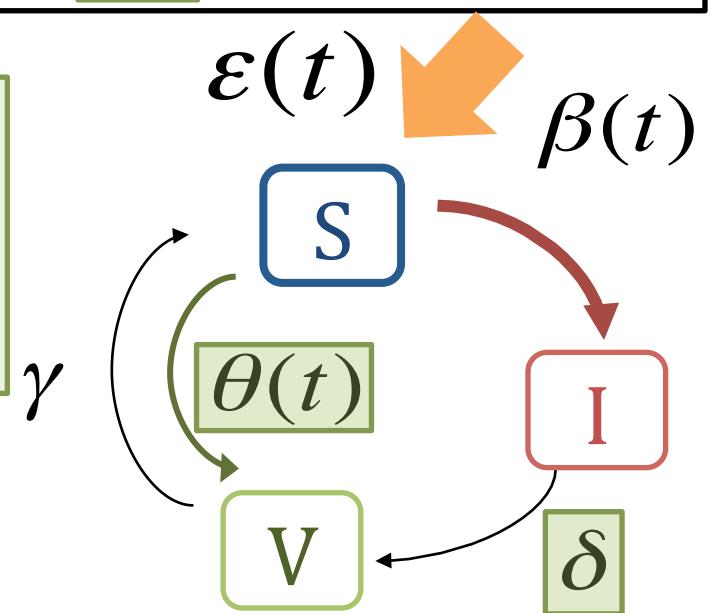
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δ : healing rate
 $\theta(t)$: disease reduction effect

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



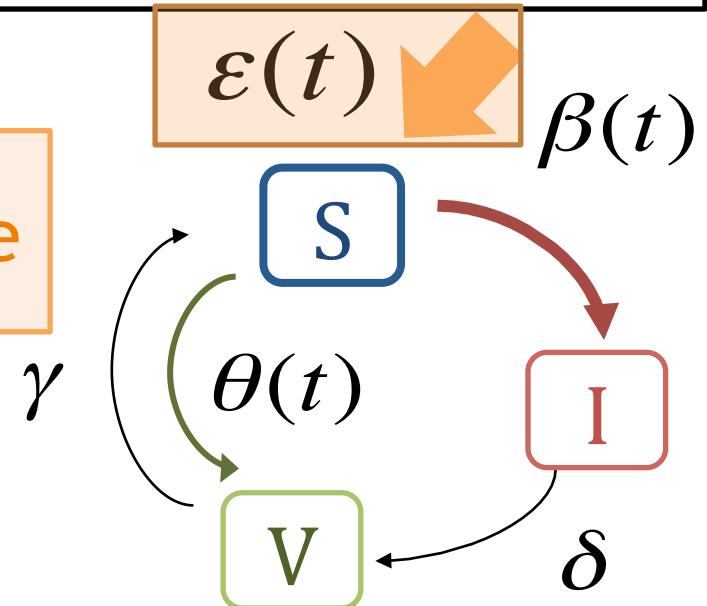


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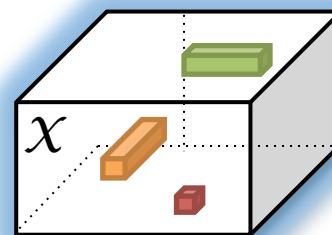
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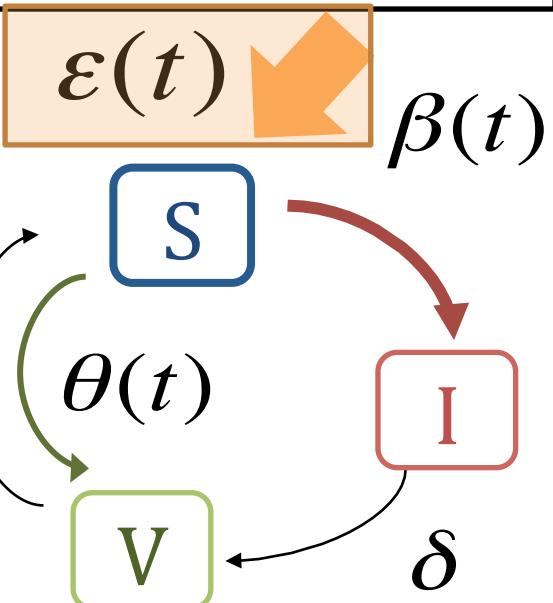
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FUNNEL: Details @ part3

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+ tensor analysis





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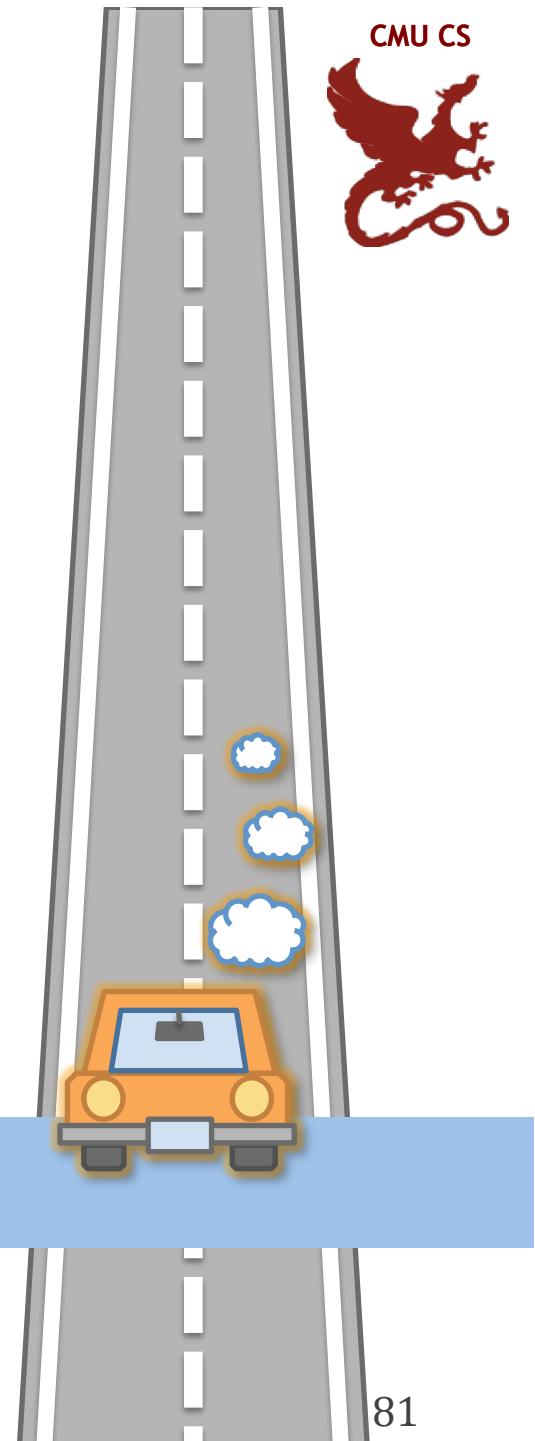
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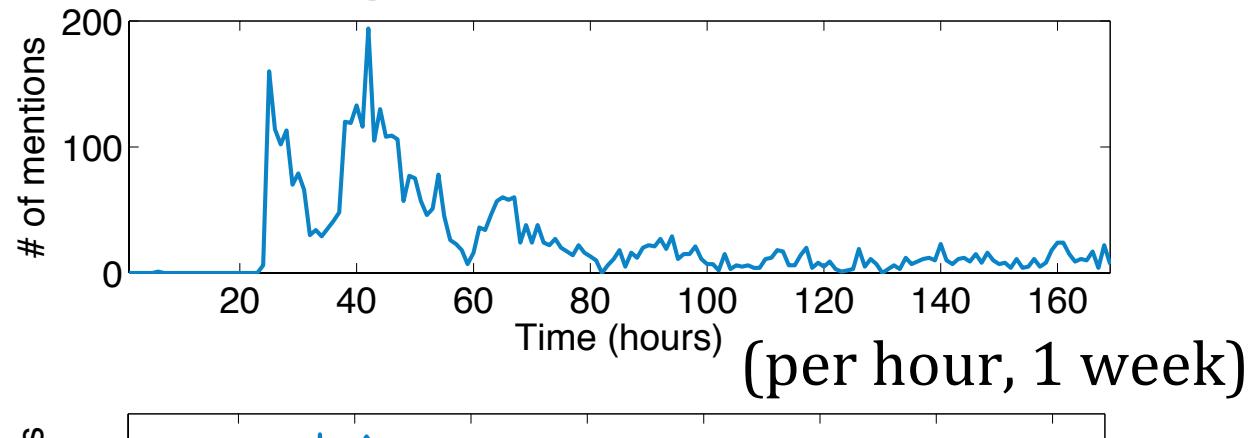
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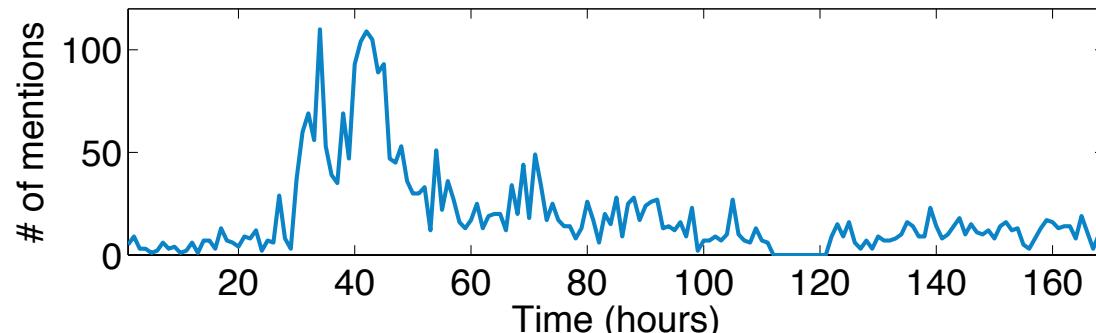
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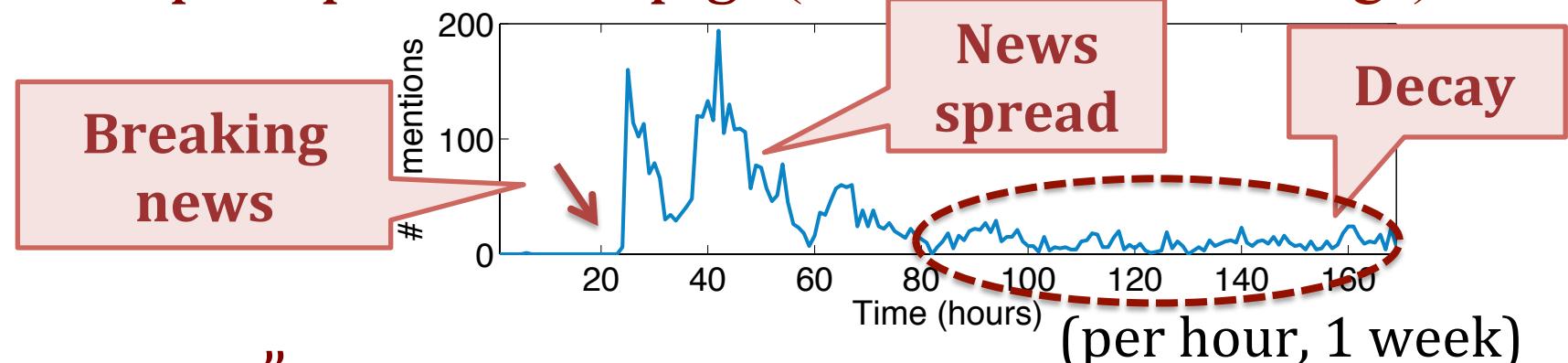
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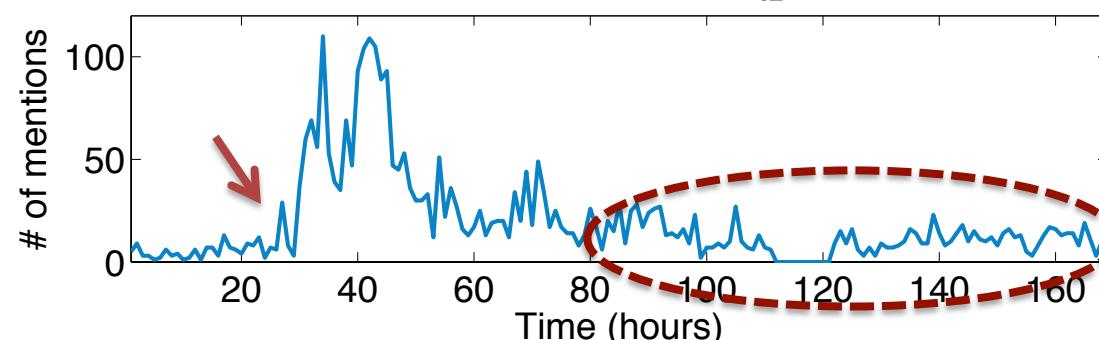
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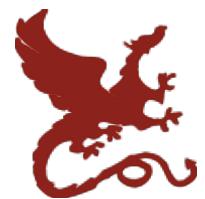


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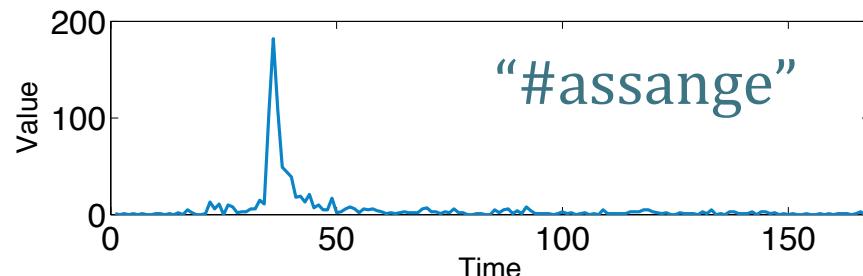




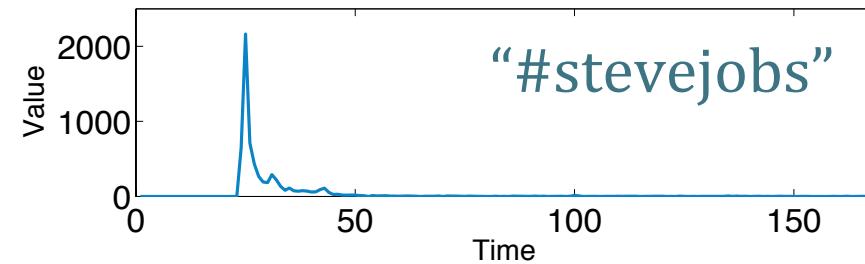
News spread in social media



- Twitter (# of hashtags per hour)



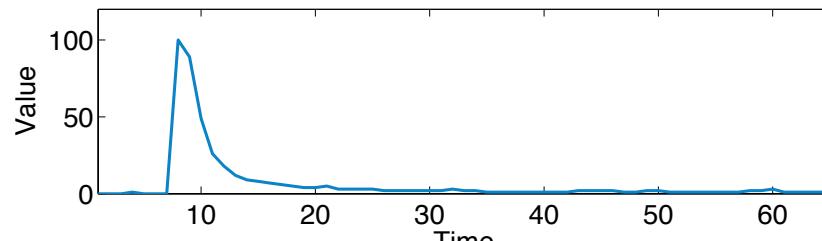
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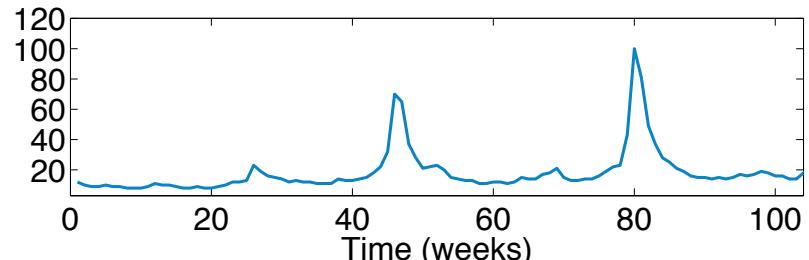
- Google trend (# of queries per week)

"tsunami" (in 2005)



(per week, 1 year)

"harry potter" (2010 - 2011)



(per week, 2 years)



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]

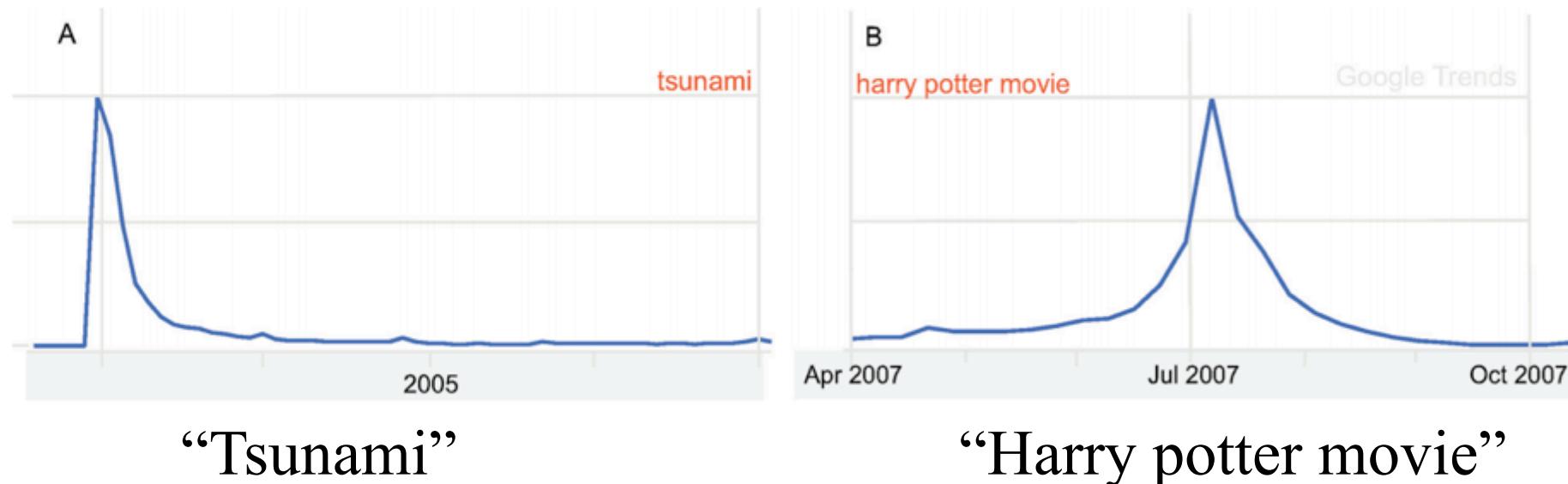




News spread in social media

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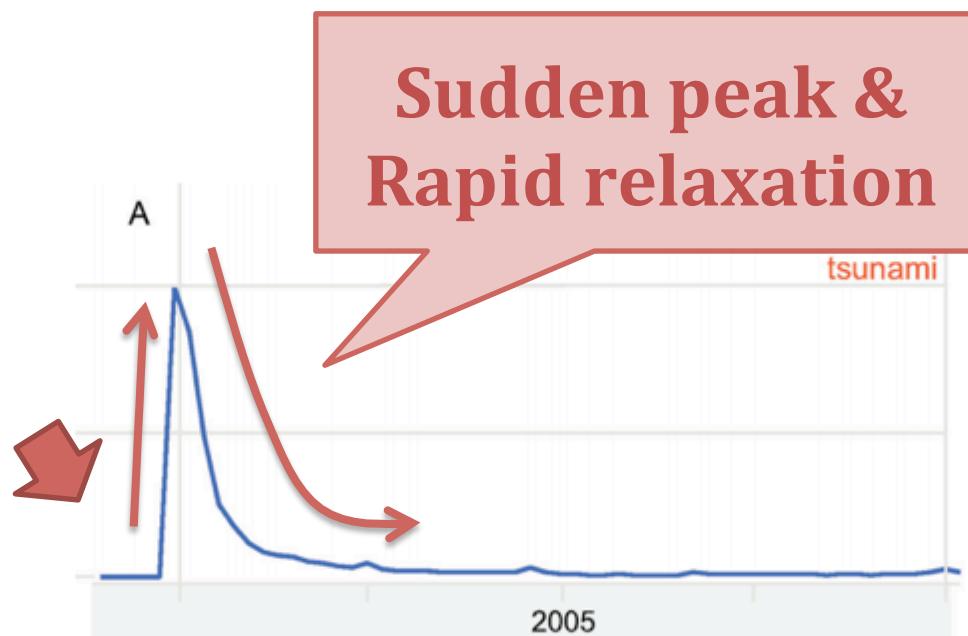




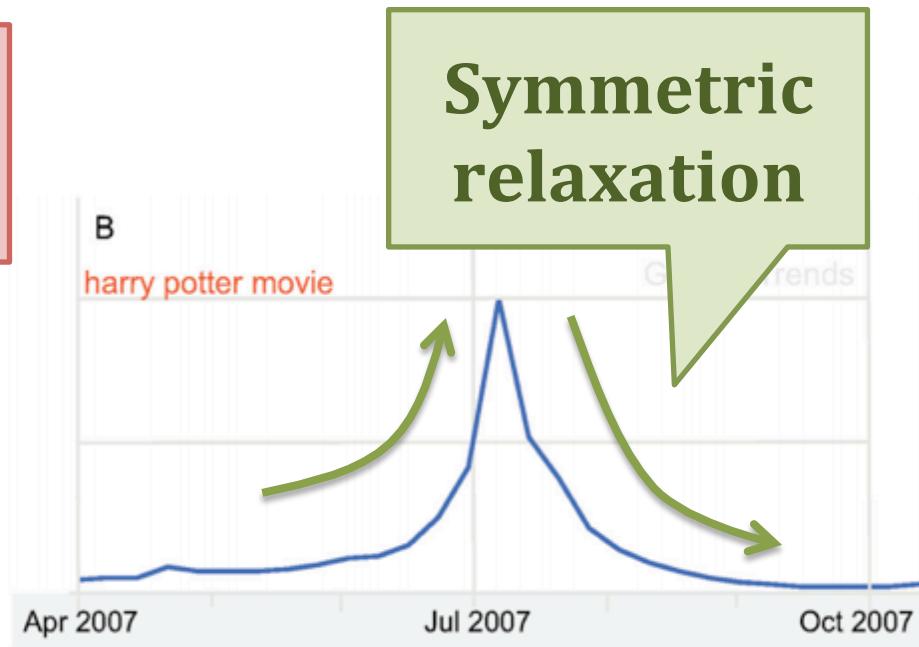
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- The volume of Google searches



“Tsunami”
(Exogenous)



“Harry potter movie”
(Endogenous)



News spread in social media

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Rate of
spread of
infection/
propagation

Exogenous
/External
source

of
Potential
viewers

Decaying
virus/news
strength

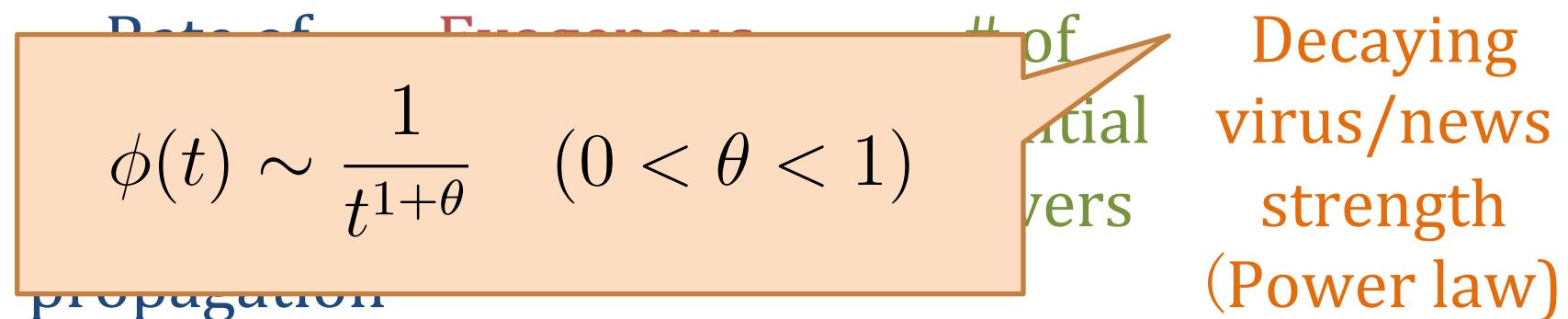


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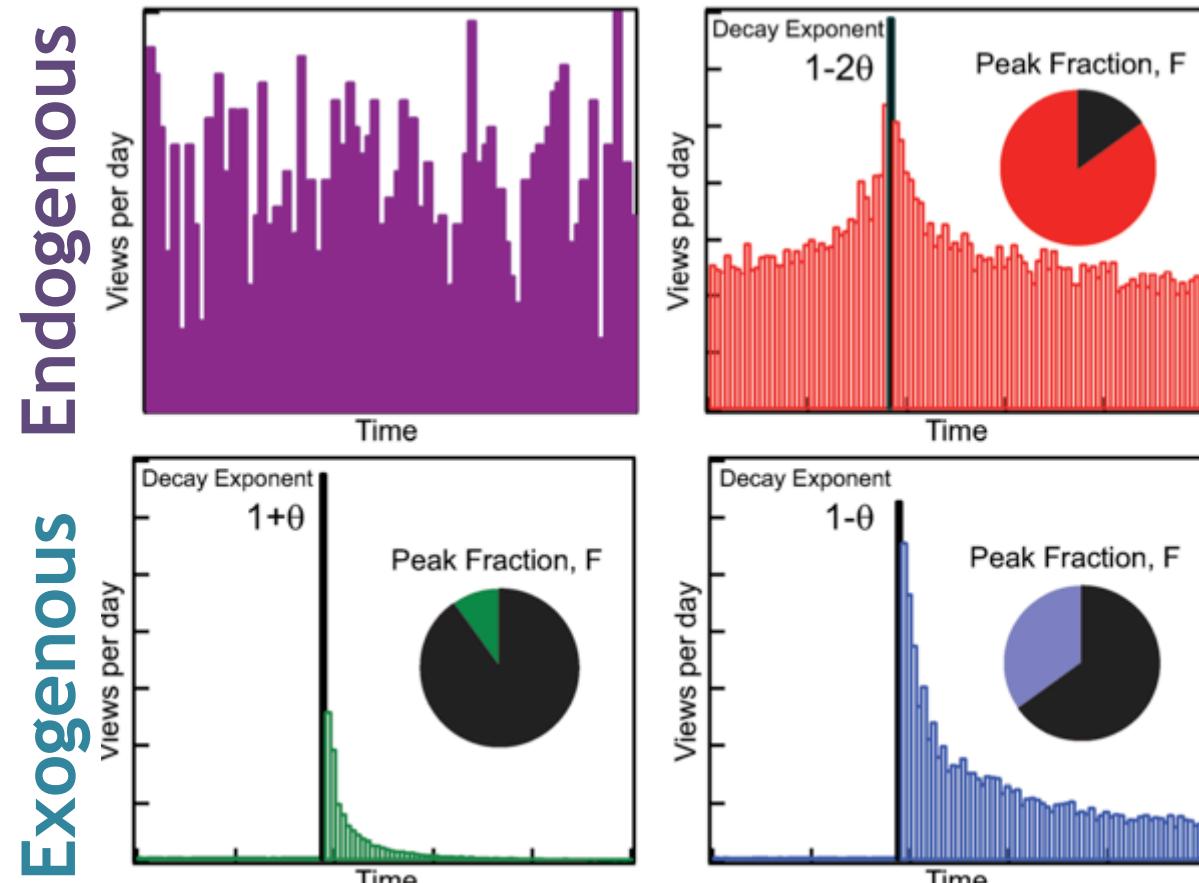


News spread in social media

- Four classes on YouTube
- Sub-Critical**

[Crane et al. PNAS'08]

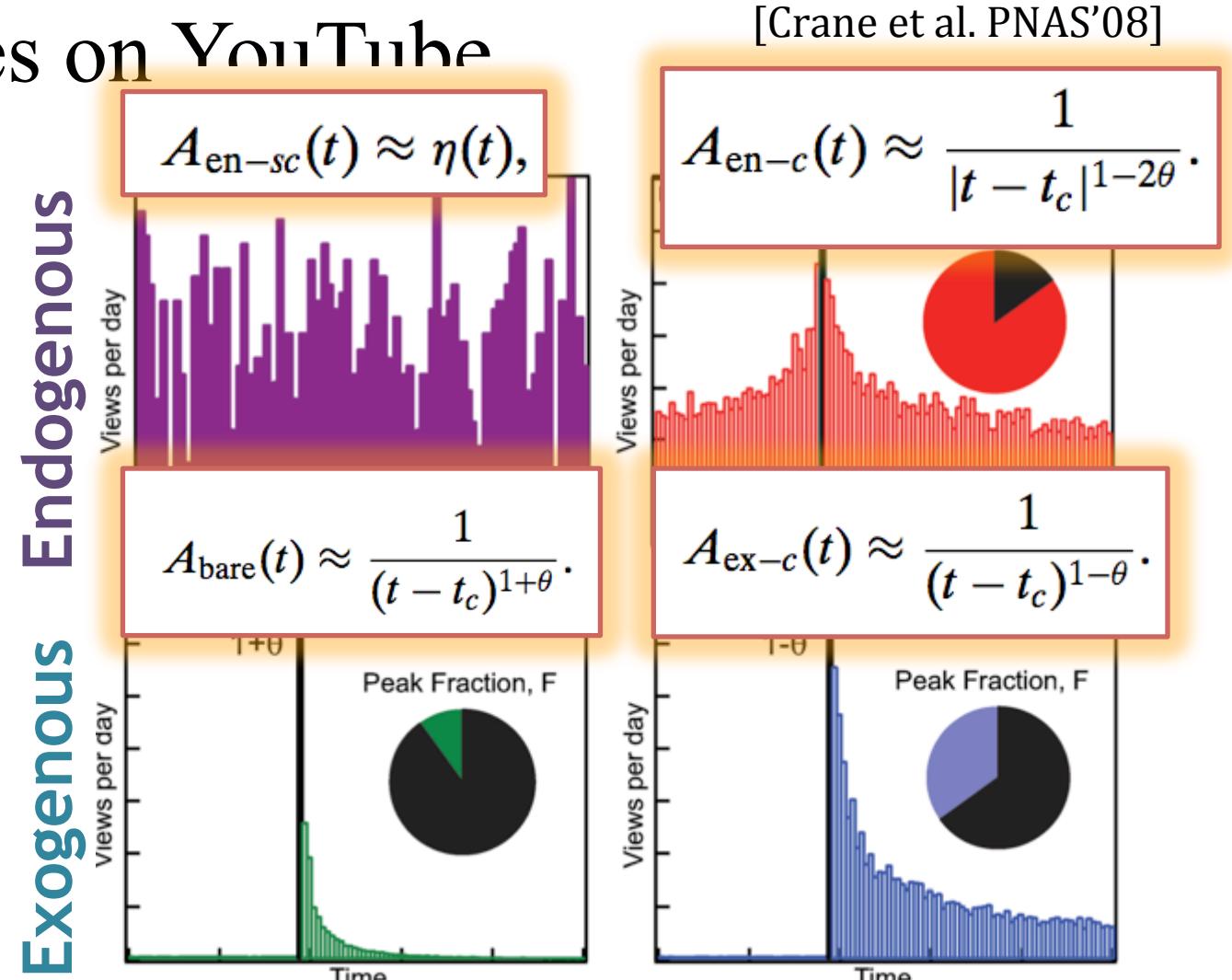
Critical





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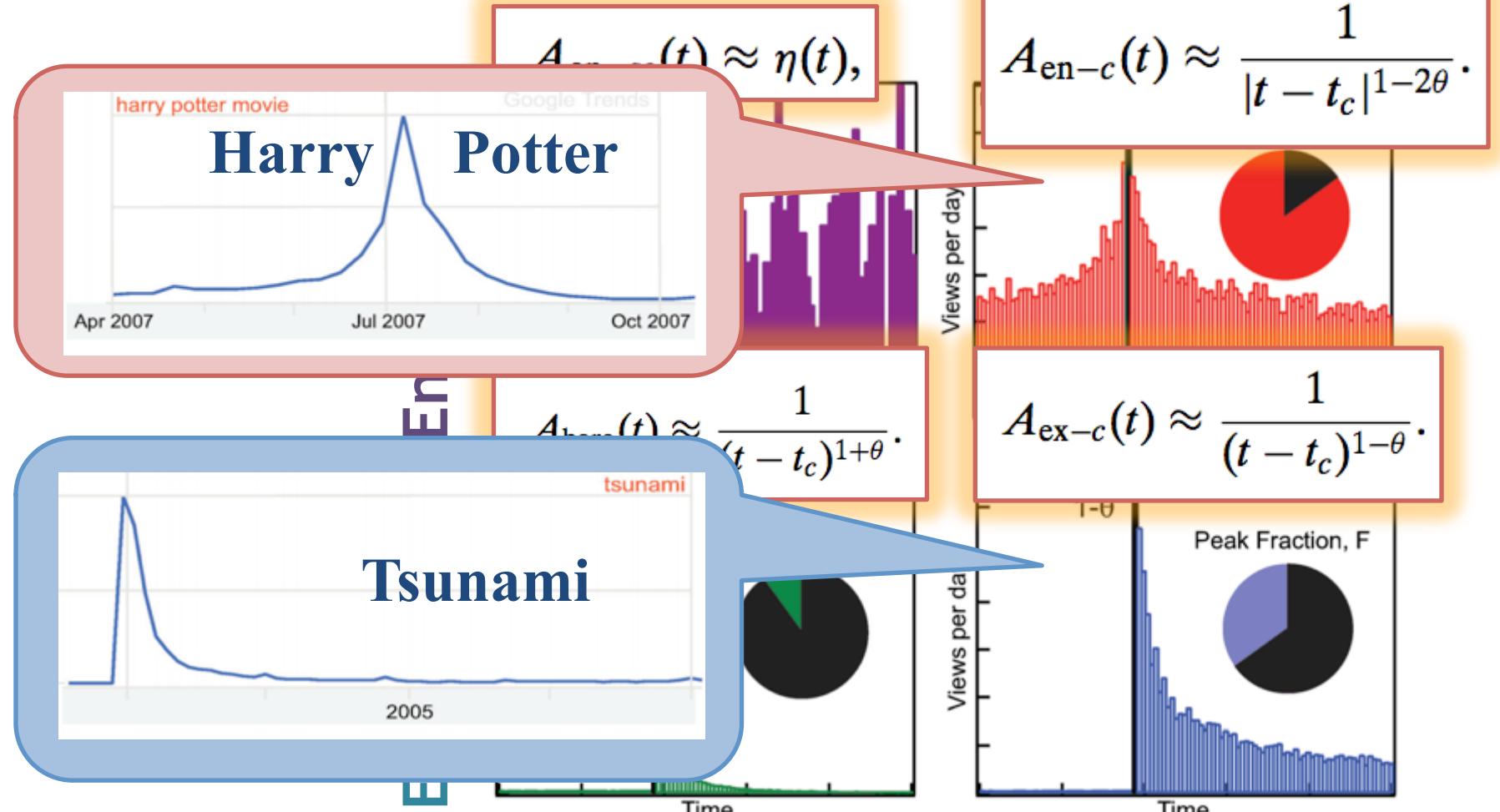
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News spread in social media

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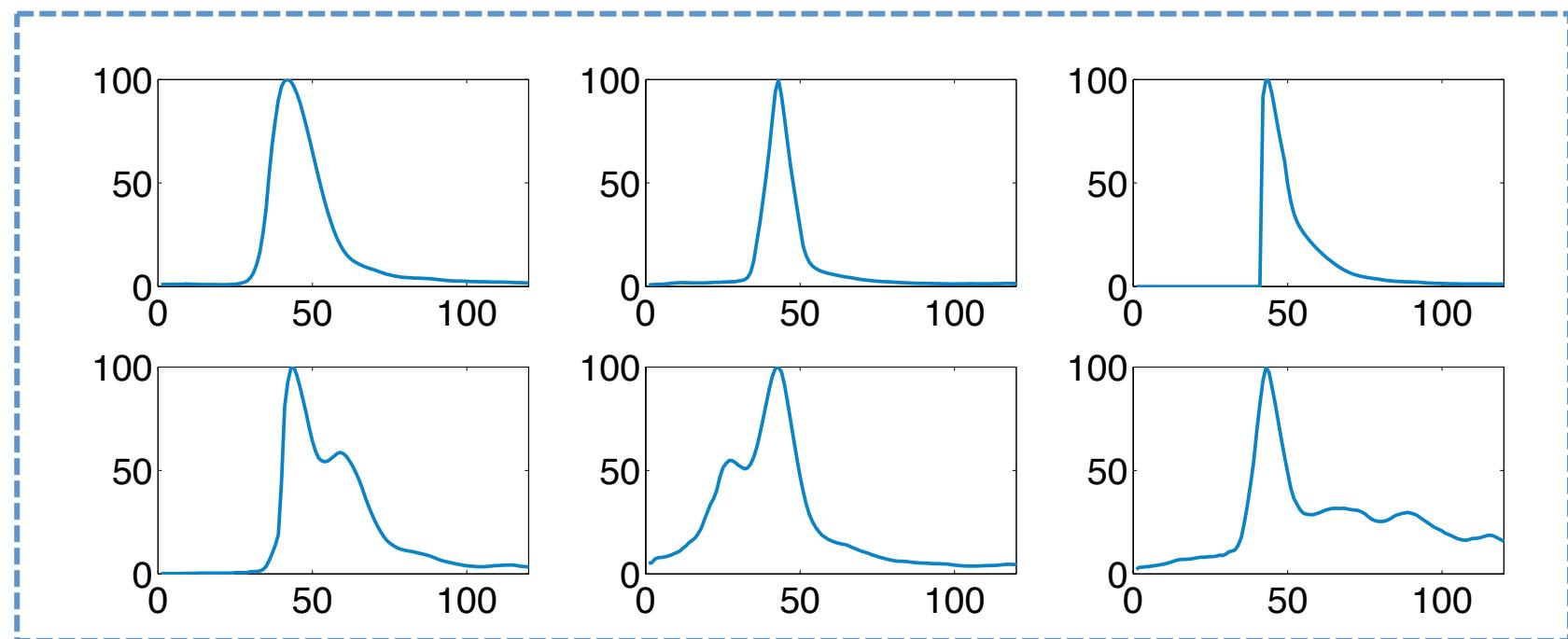




News spread in social media



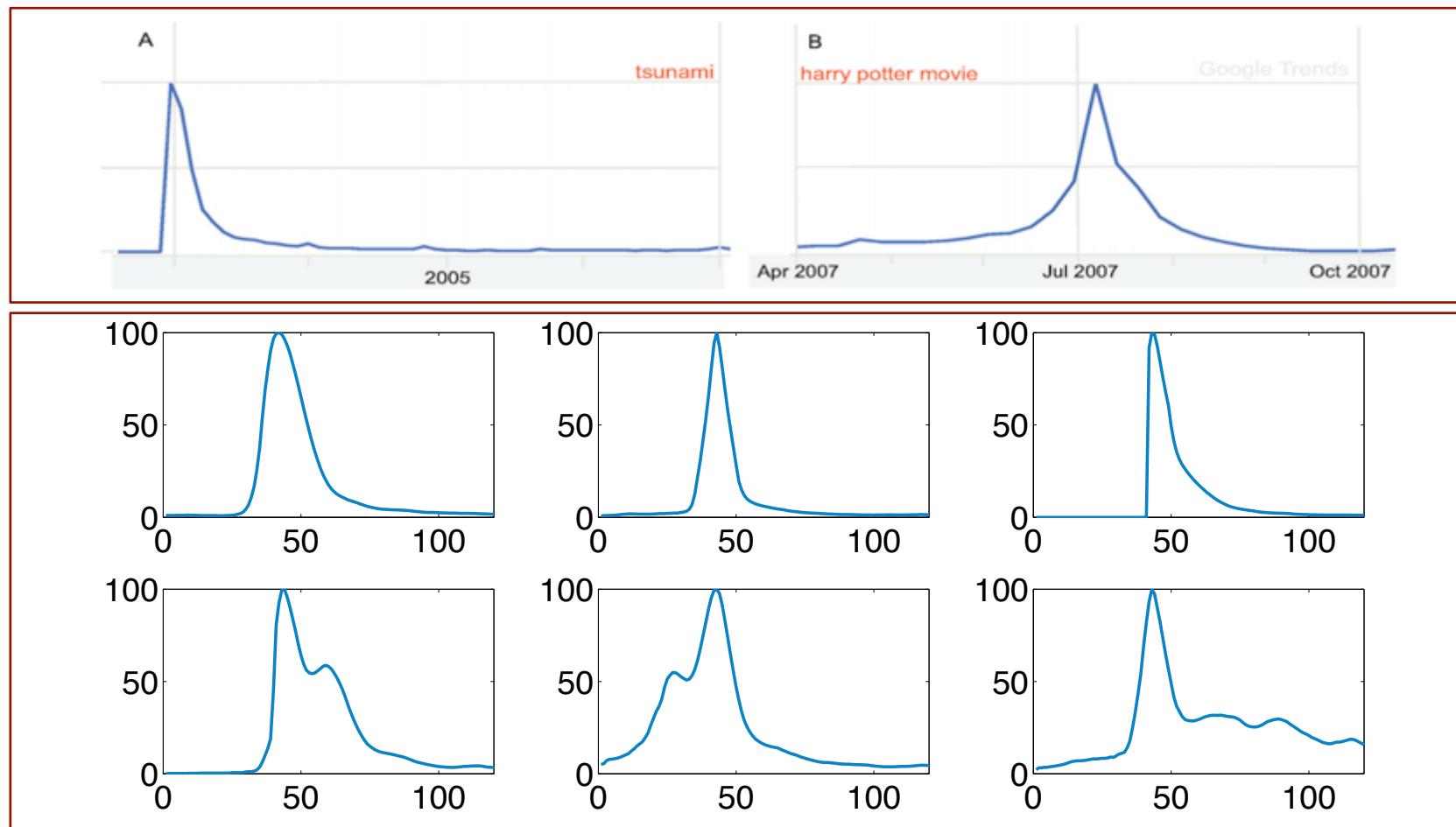
- Six classes of information diffusion patterns on social media [Yang et al. WSDM'11]





News spread in social media

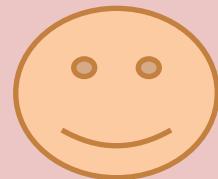
Q. How many patterns are there, after all?





News spread in social media

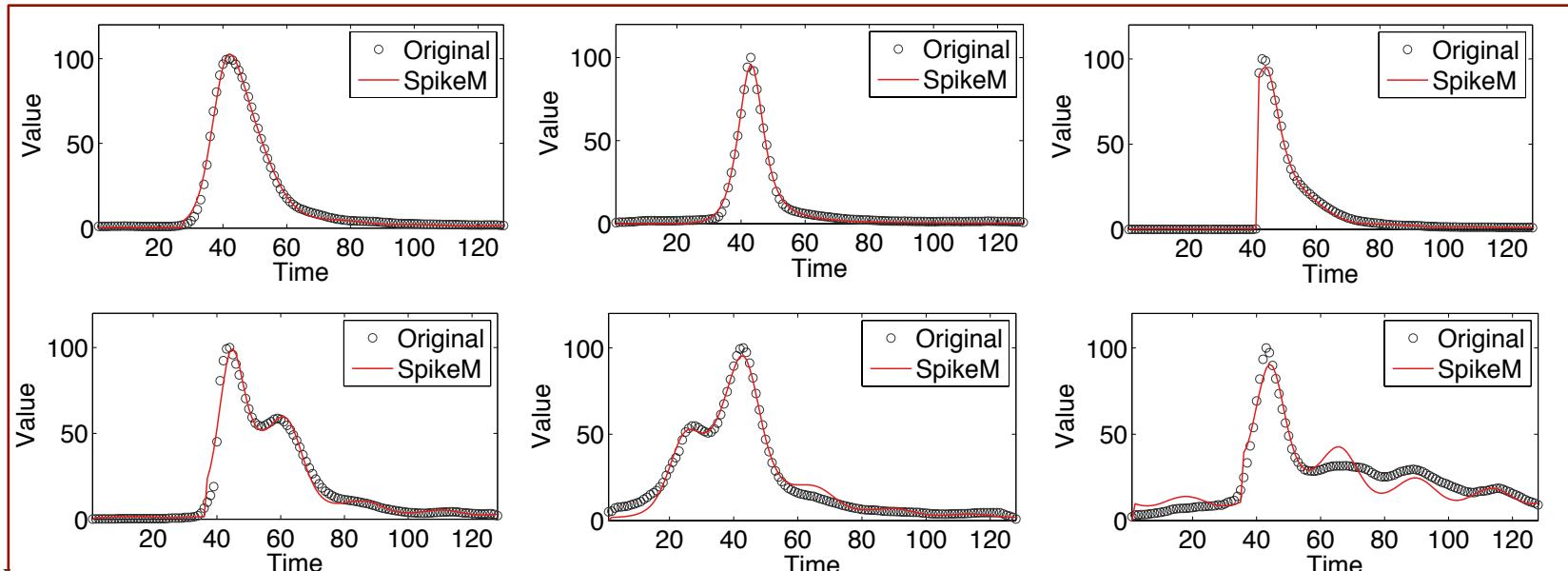
A. Our answer is “ONE”!



A single non-linear model !



“SpikeM”





[Matsubara+ KDD'12]

Rise and Fall Patterns of Information Diffusion: Model and Implications

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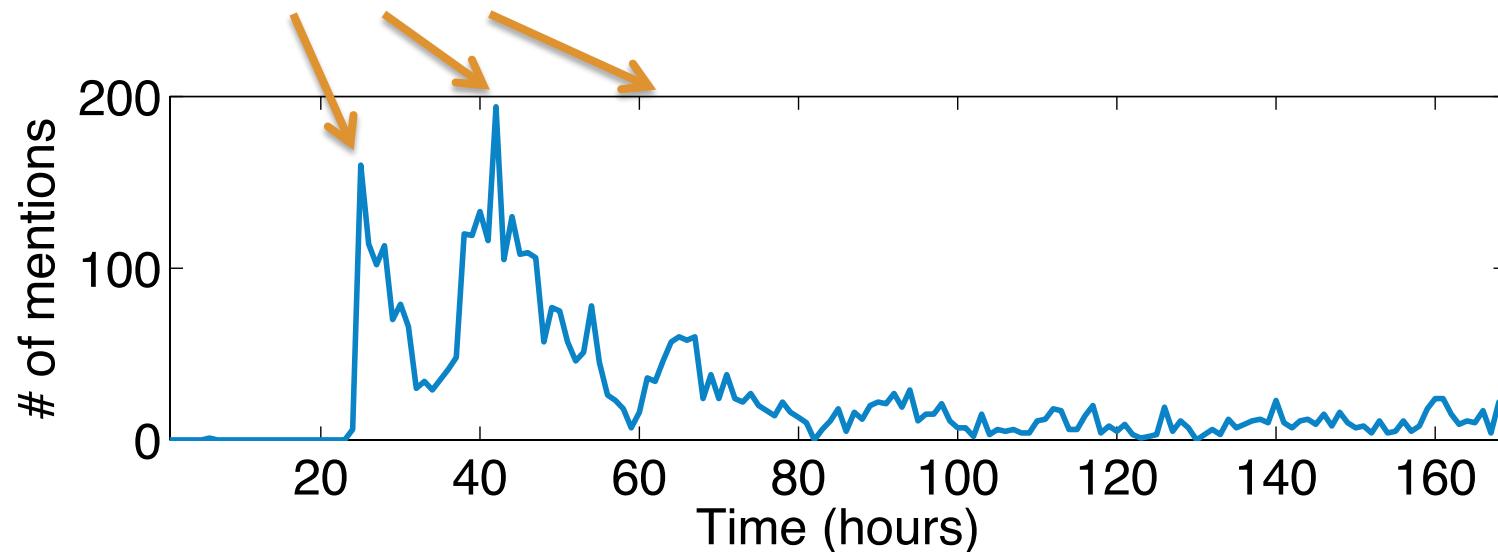


Rise and fall patterns in social media



SpikeM captures 3 properties of real spike

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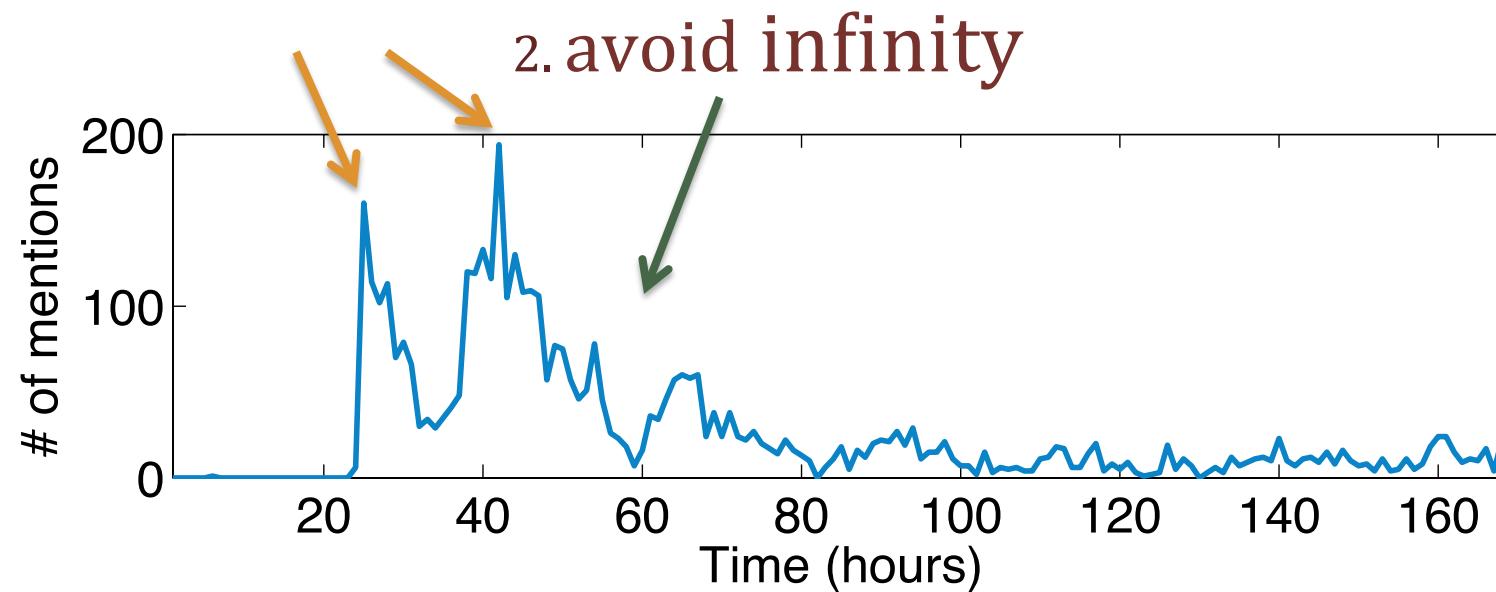




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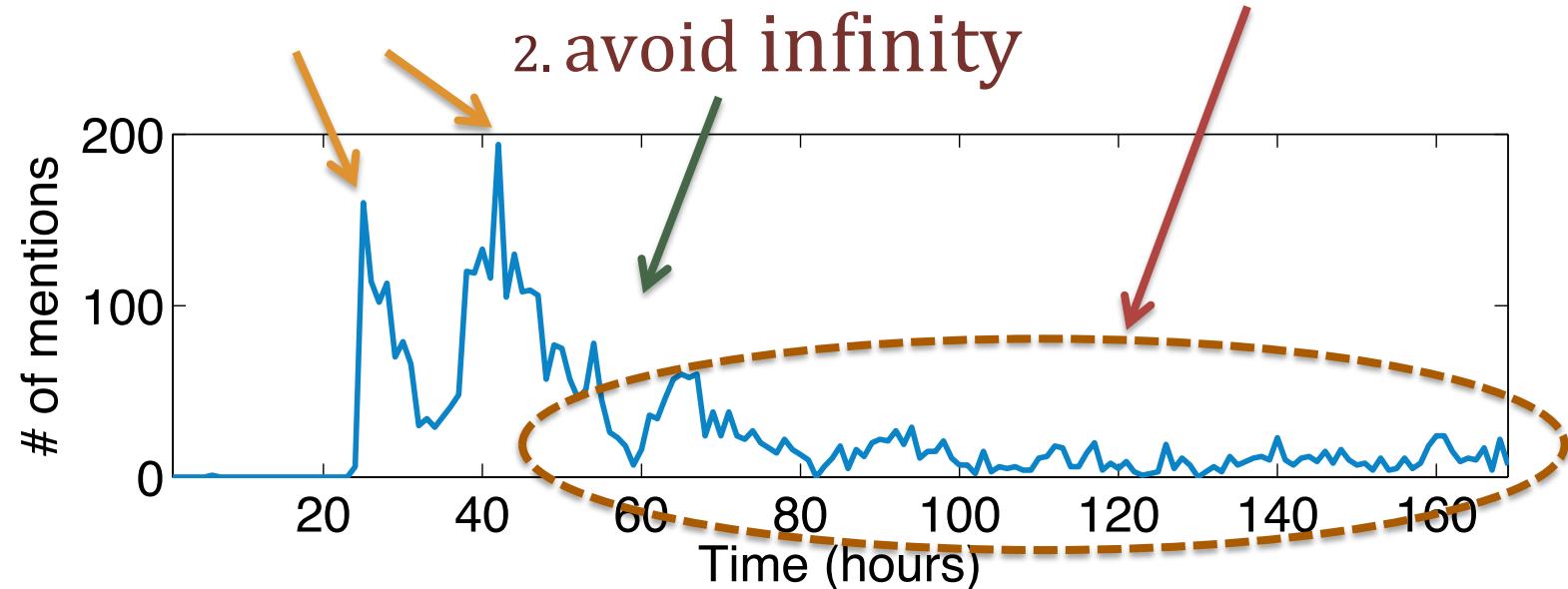
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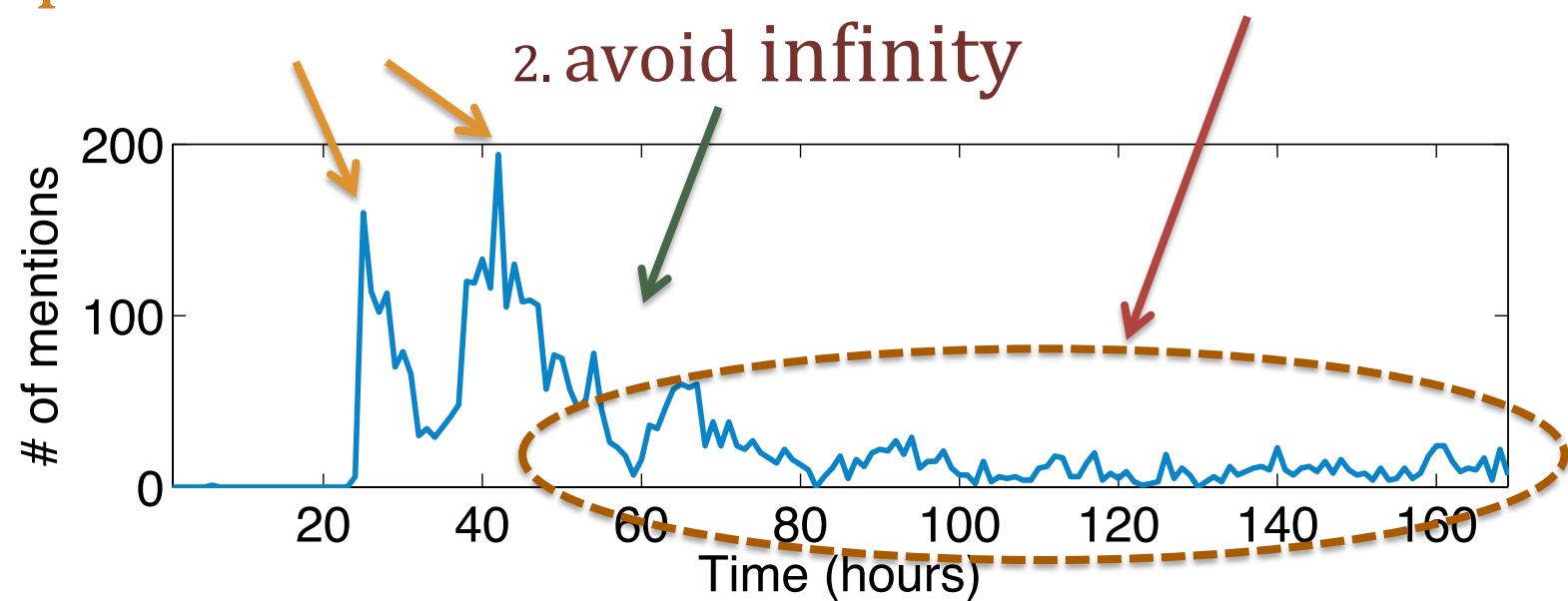


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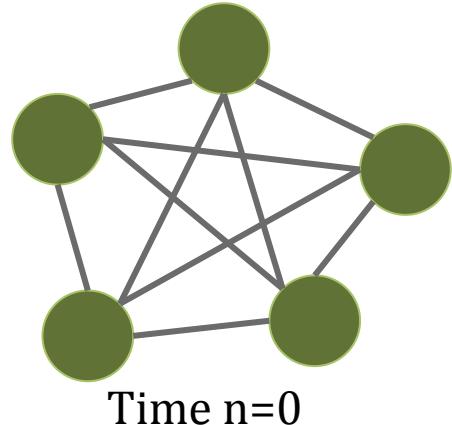


SpikeM can capture behavior of real spikes
using few parameters



Main idea (details)

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Nodes (bloggers) consist of two states



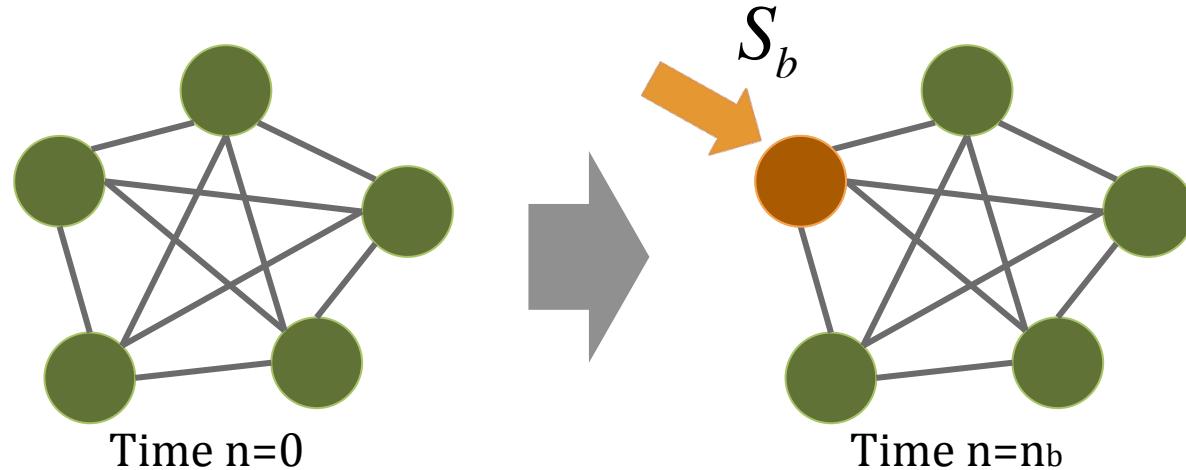
– **U**n-informed of rumor



– informed, and **B**logged about rumor

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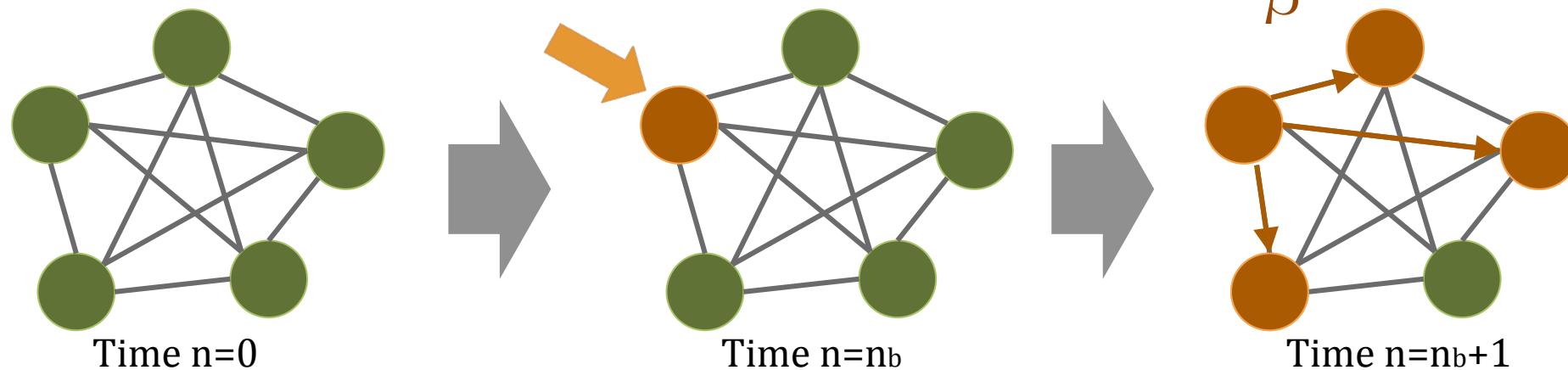
External shock

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



Main idea (details)

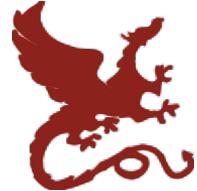
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Infectiveness of a blog-post

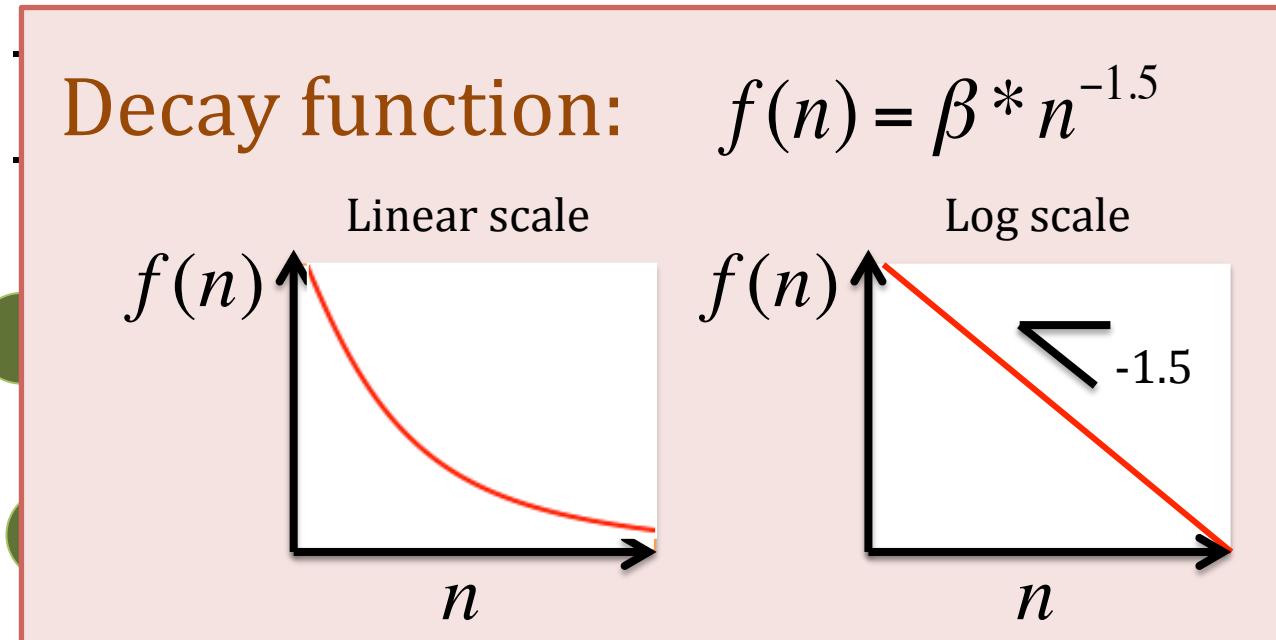
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SpikeM-base (details)

Equations of SpikeM (base)

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

Blogged

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

Un-informed

- | | |
|---------------|---|
| N | – Total population of available bloggers |
| β | – Strength of infection/news |
| n_b, S_b | – External shock S_b at birth (time n_b) |
| ε | – Background noise |



SpikeM - periodicity

Full equation of SpikeM

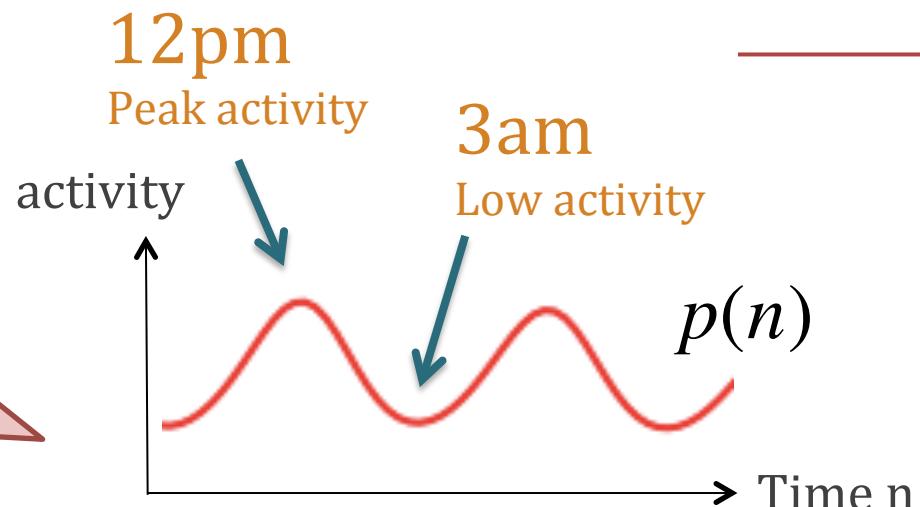
$$\frac{\Delta B(n+1)}{\text{Blogged}} = \boxed{p(n+1)} \cdot \left[U(n) \cdot \sum_{t=n_b}^n (\Delta B(t) + S(t)) \cdot f(n+1-t) + \varepsilon \right]$$

Periodicity

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

Un-informed

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





Model fitting (Details)

- SpikeM consists of 7 parameters

$$\theta = \{N, \beta, n_b, S_b, \varepsilon, P_a, P_s\}$$

Learning parameters

- Given a real time sequence

$$X = \{X(1), \dots, X(n), \dots, X(n_d)\}$$

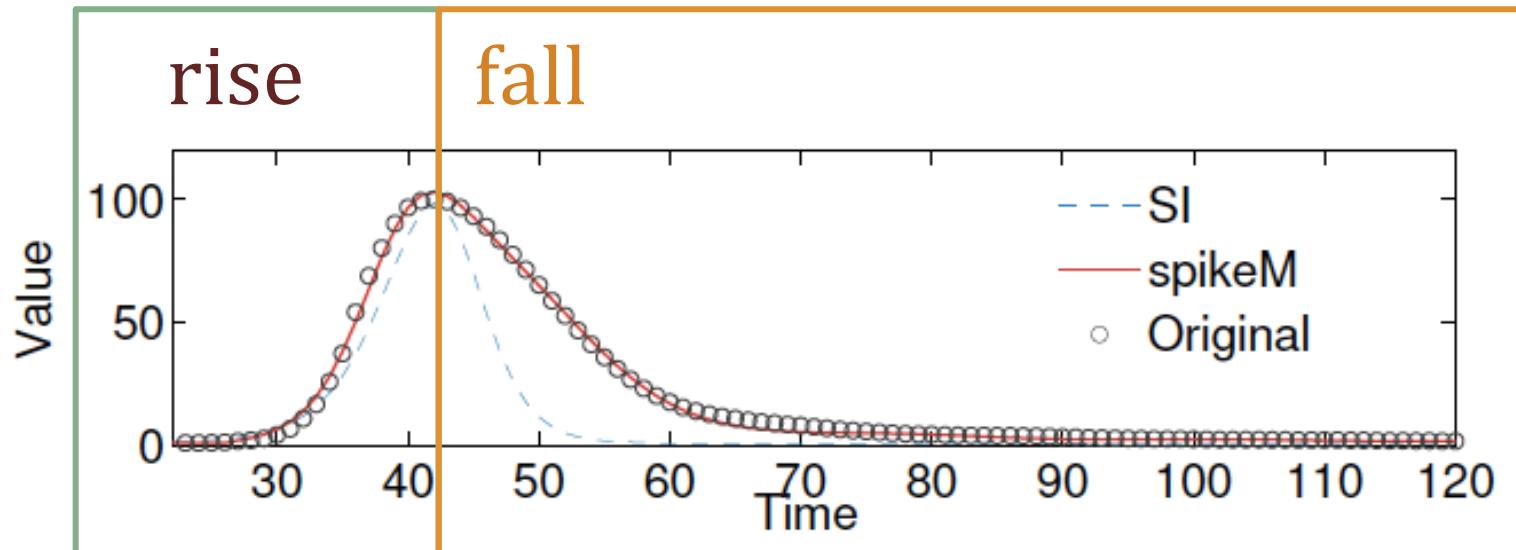
- Minimize the error
(Levenberg-Marquardt (LM) fitting)

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



Analysis

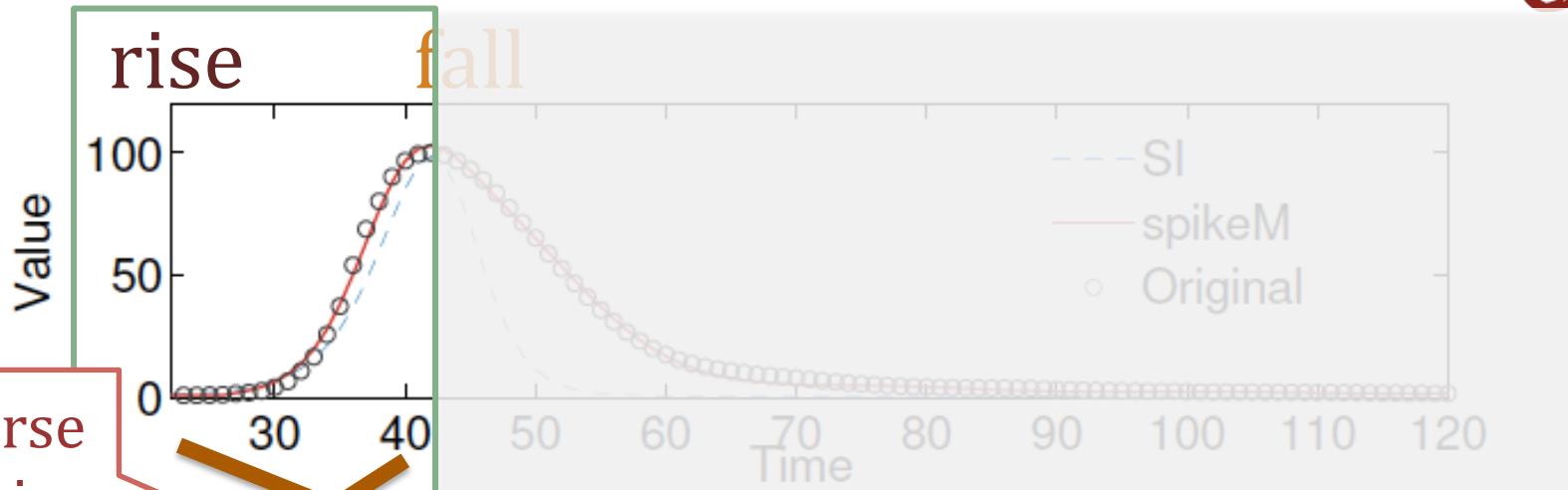
SpikeM matches reality
exponential rise and power-law fall



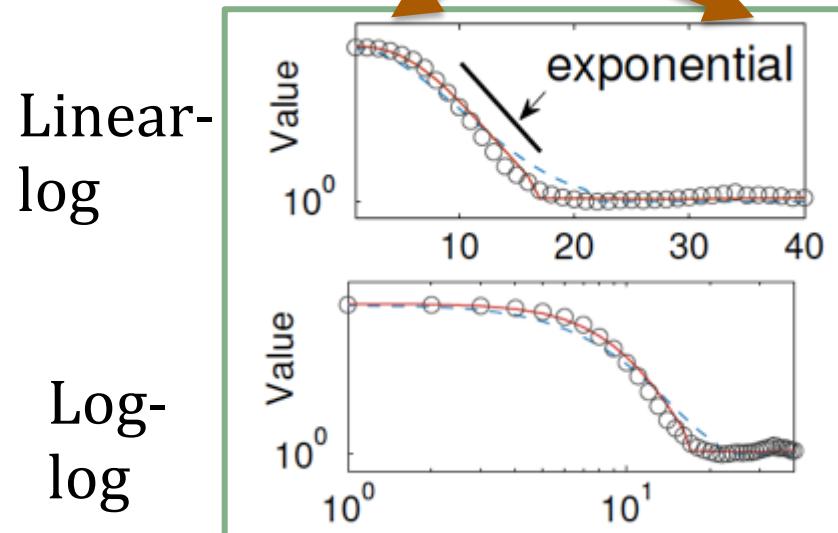
SpikeM vs. SI model (susceptible infected model)



Analysis



Reverse
x-axis

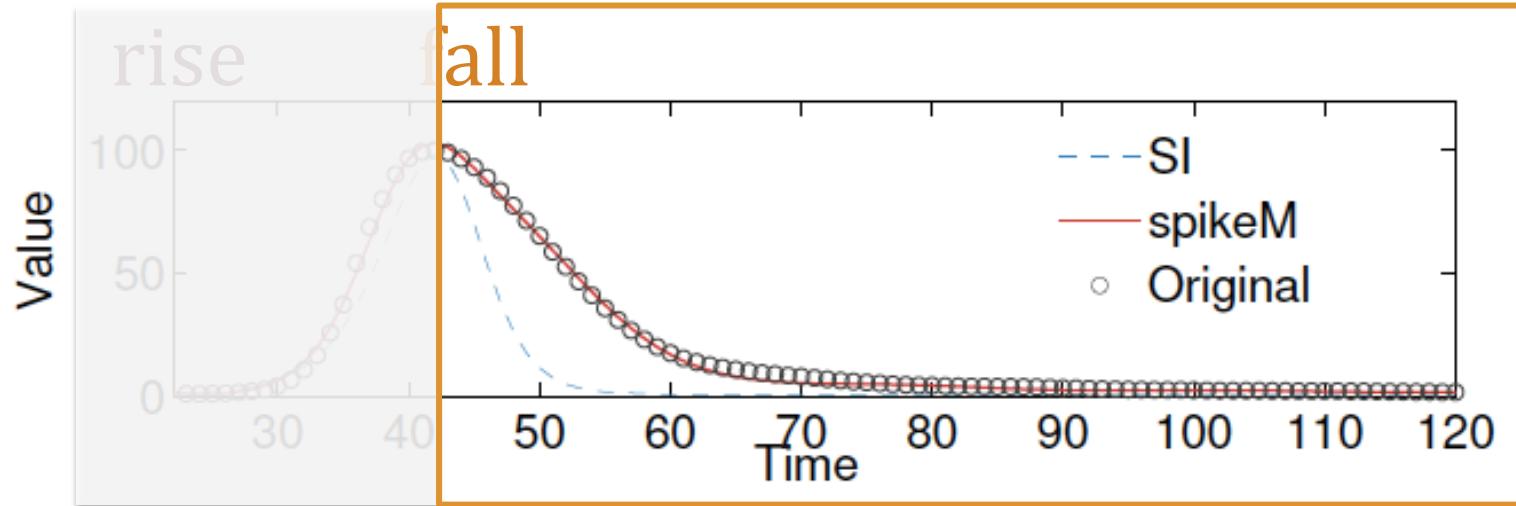


Rise-part

SpikeM: exponential
SI model: exponential

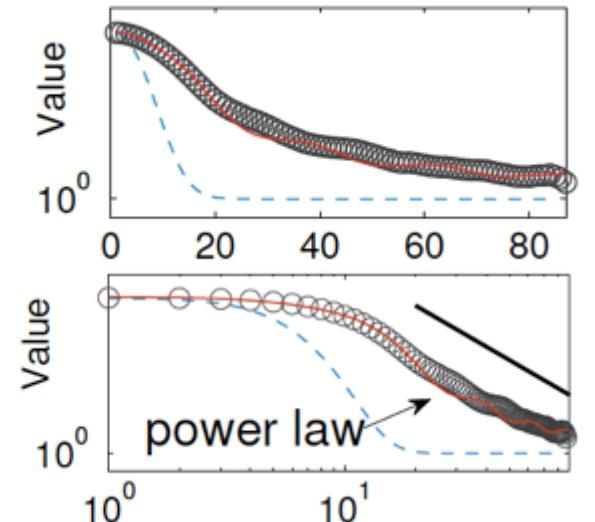


Analysis



Fall-part
SpikeM: power law
SI model: exponential

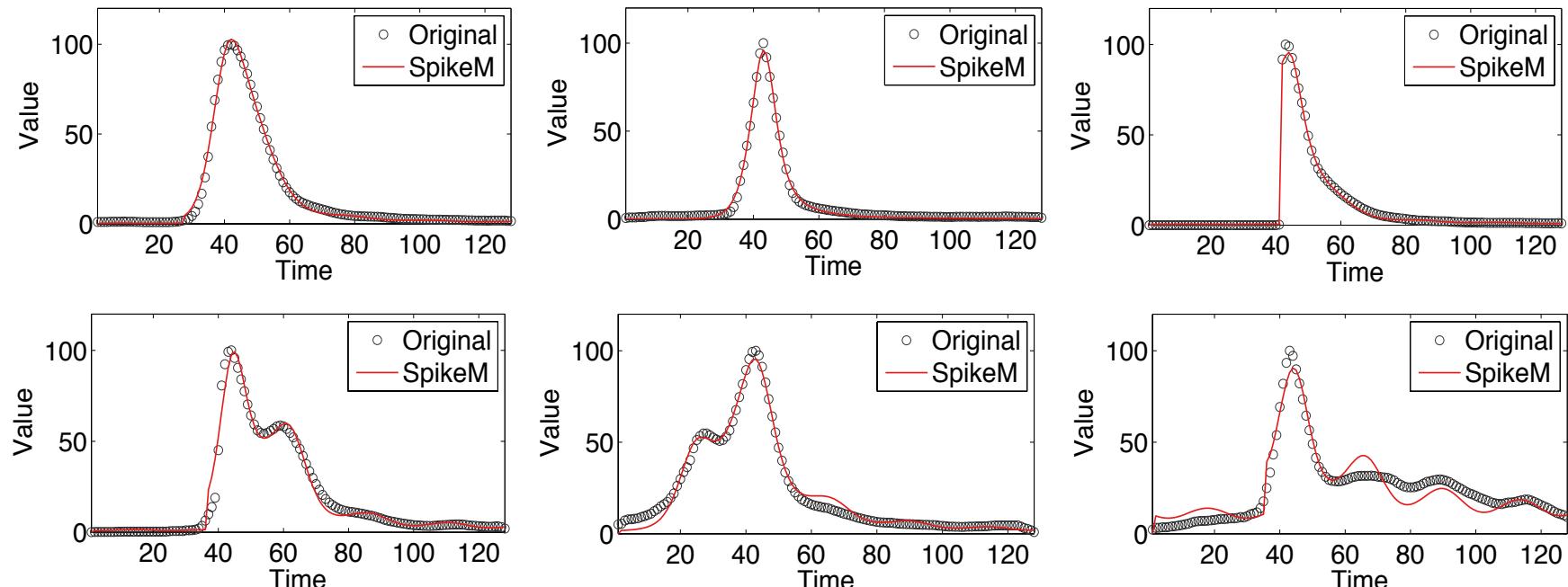
SpikeM matches reality





Q1-1 Explaining K-SC clusters

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



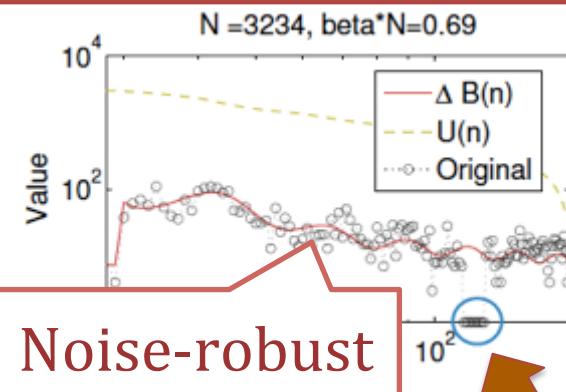
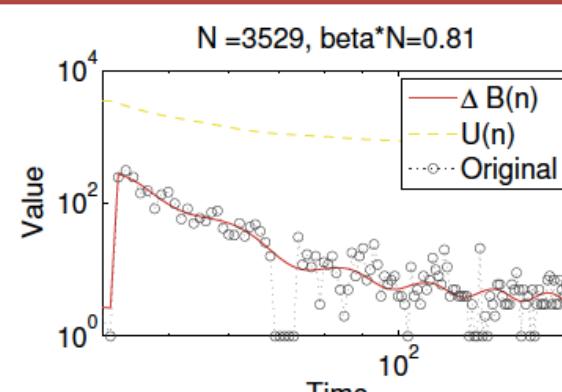
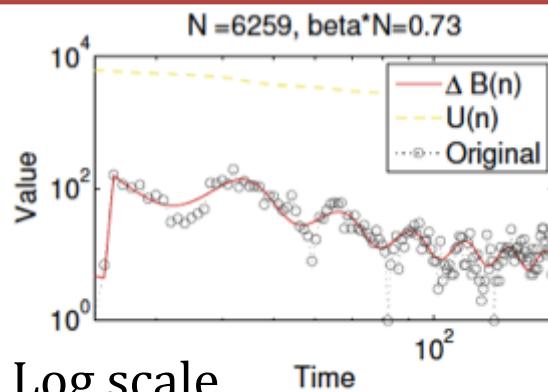
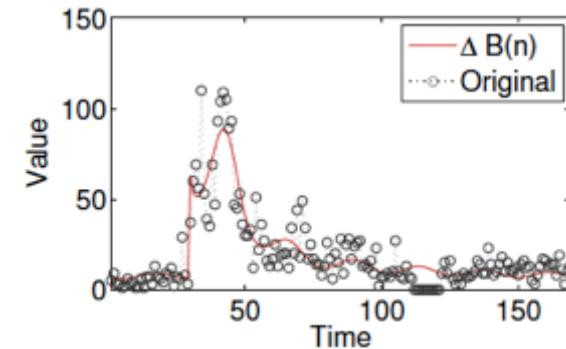
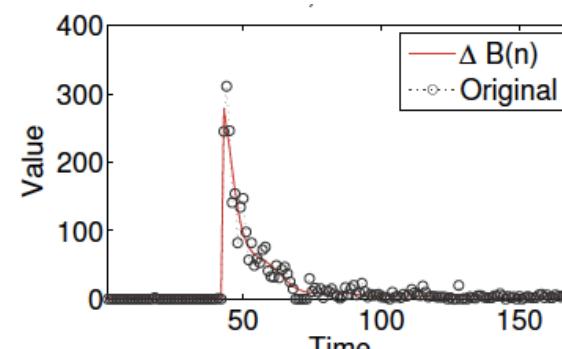
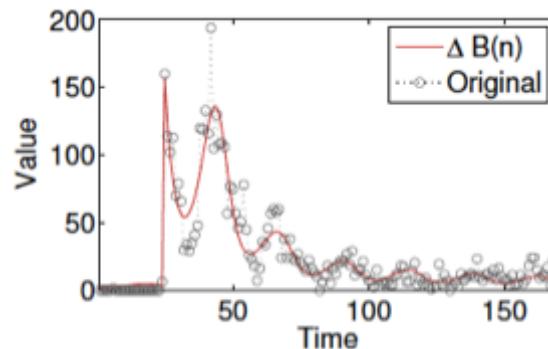
- **SpikeM** can generate all patterns in K-SC



Q1-2 Matching MemeTracker patterns

MemeTracker (memes in blogs) [Leskovec et al. KDD'09]

Linear scale



Noise-robust fitting

Outliers

SpikeM can fit various patterns in blog

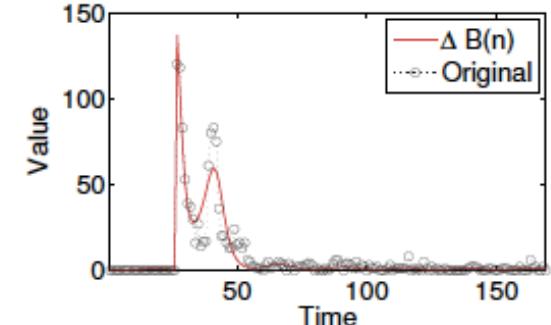
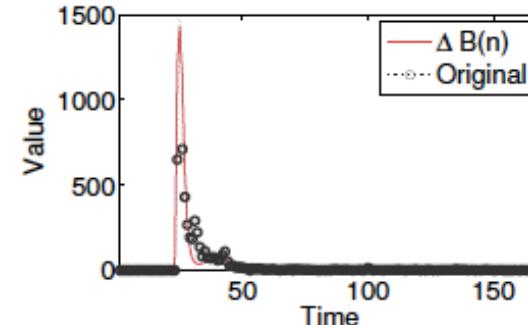
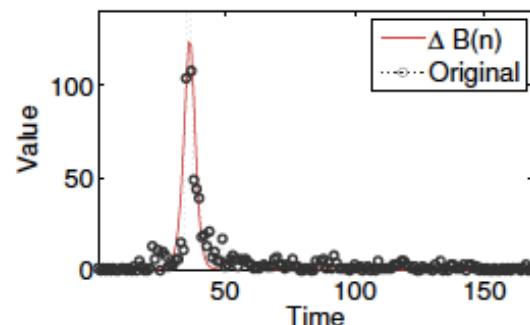


Q1-3 Matching

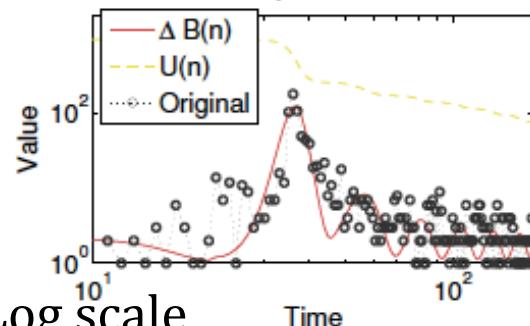
Twitter data

Twitter data (hashtags)

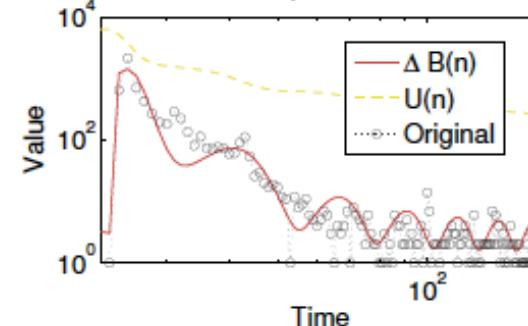
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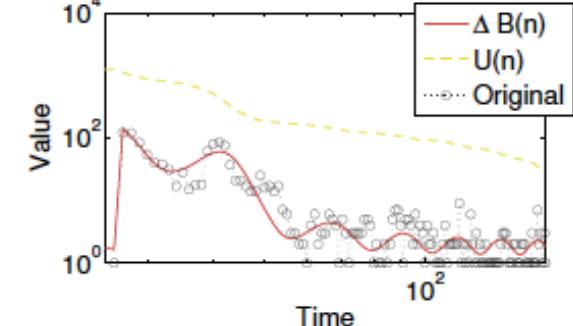
$N = 992, \beta \cdot N = 1.41$



$N = 6475, \beta \cdot N = 2.00$



$N = 1266, \beta \cdot N = 1.41$



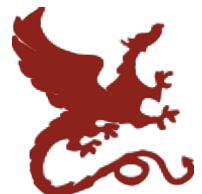
Log scale

(a) #assange

(b) #stevejobs

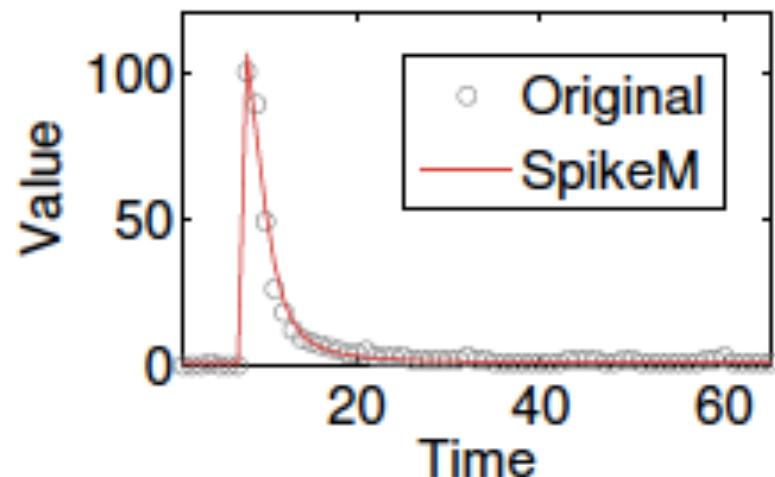
(c) #arresteddevelopment

It can generate various patterns in social media

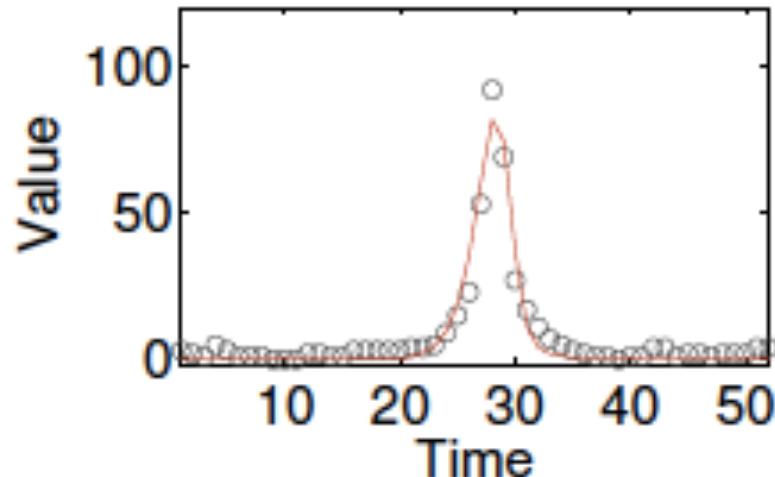


Q1-4 Matching Google trend data

Volume of searches for queries on Google



(a) “tsunami” (2005)



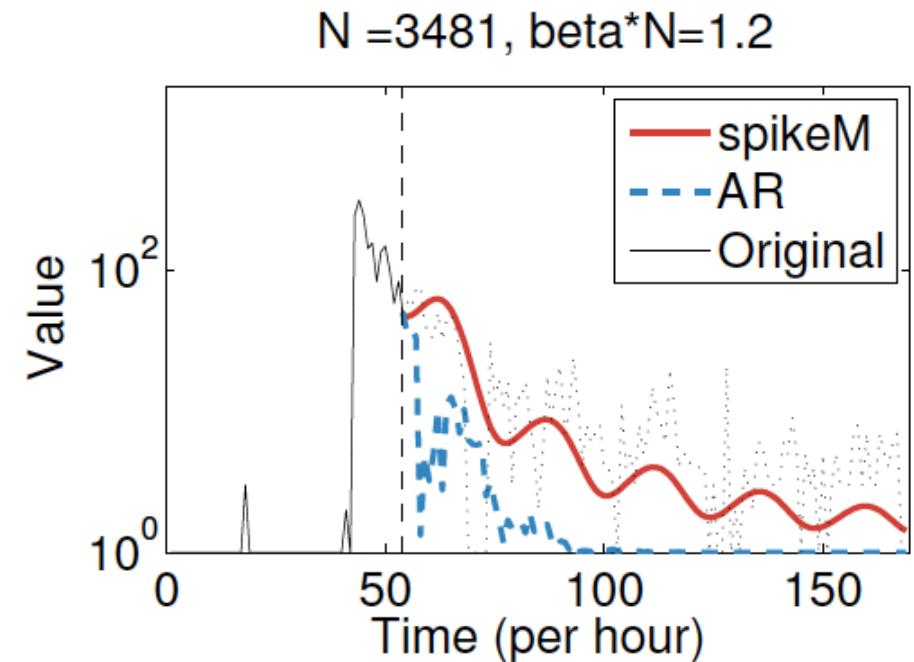
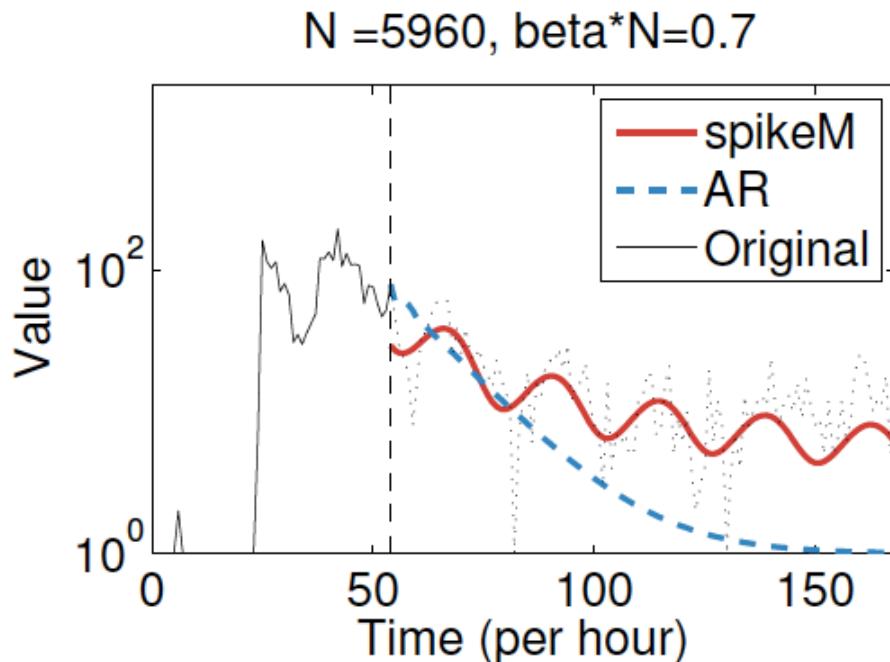
(b) “Harry Potter” (2007)

SpikeM can capture various patterns



Q2 Tail-part forecasts

- Given a first part of the spike
 - forecast the tail part

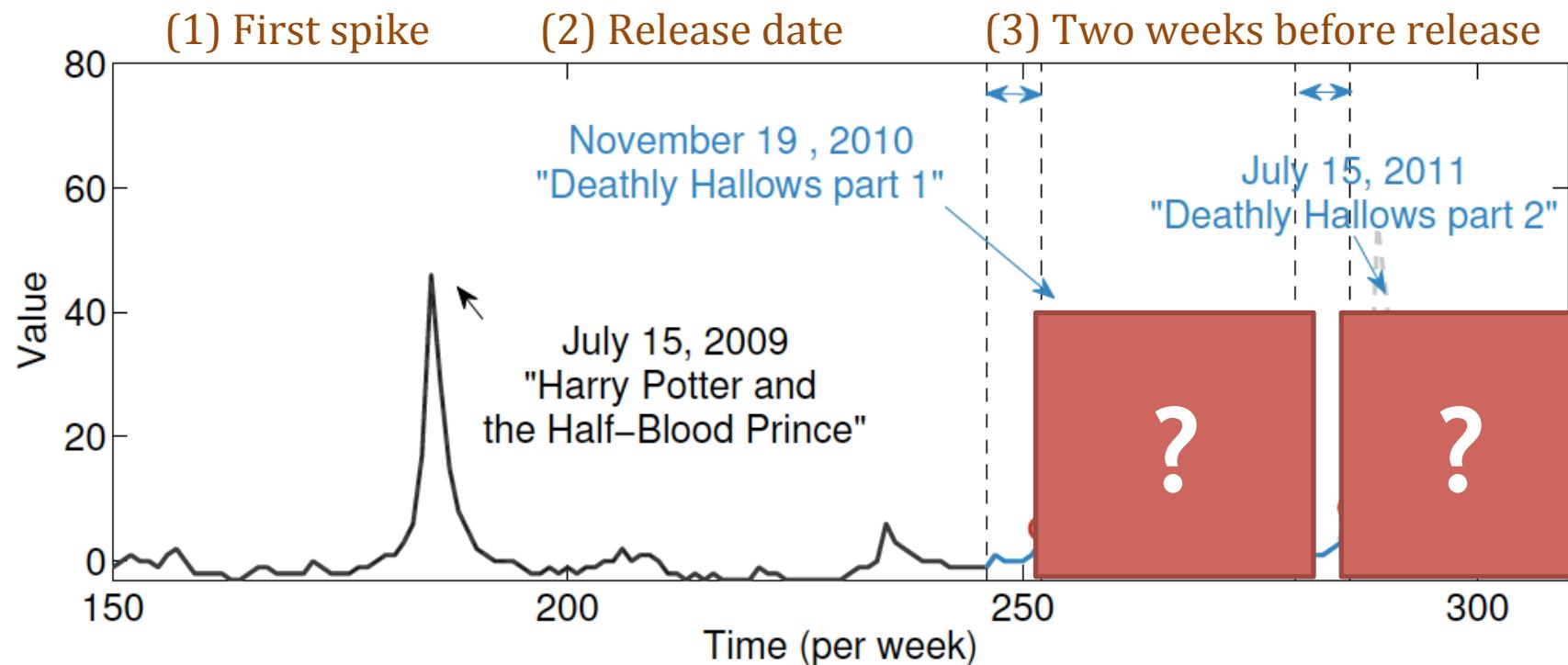


SpikeM can capture tail part (AR: fail)



A1. “What-if” forecasting

Forecast not only tail-part, but also **rise-part**!



e.g., given (1) first spike,

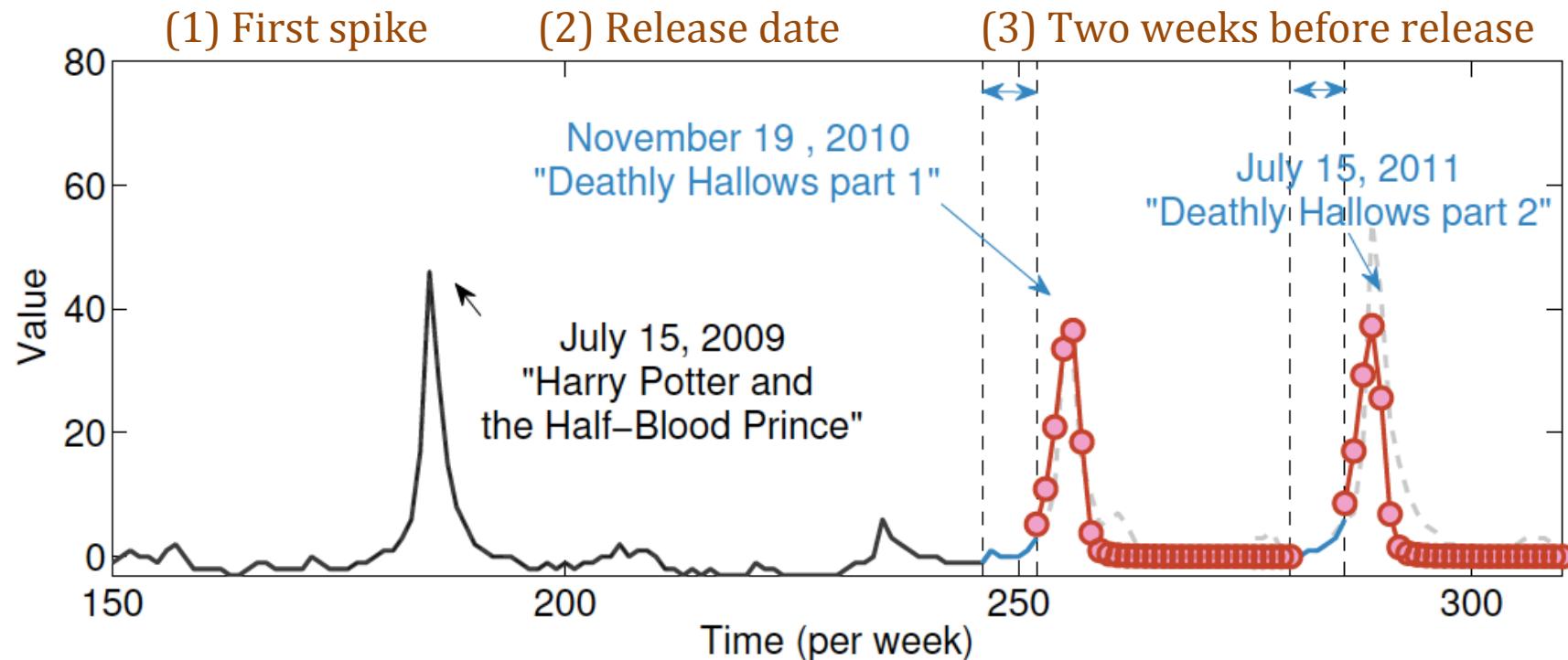
(2) release date of two sequel movies

(3) access volume before the release date



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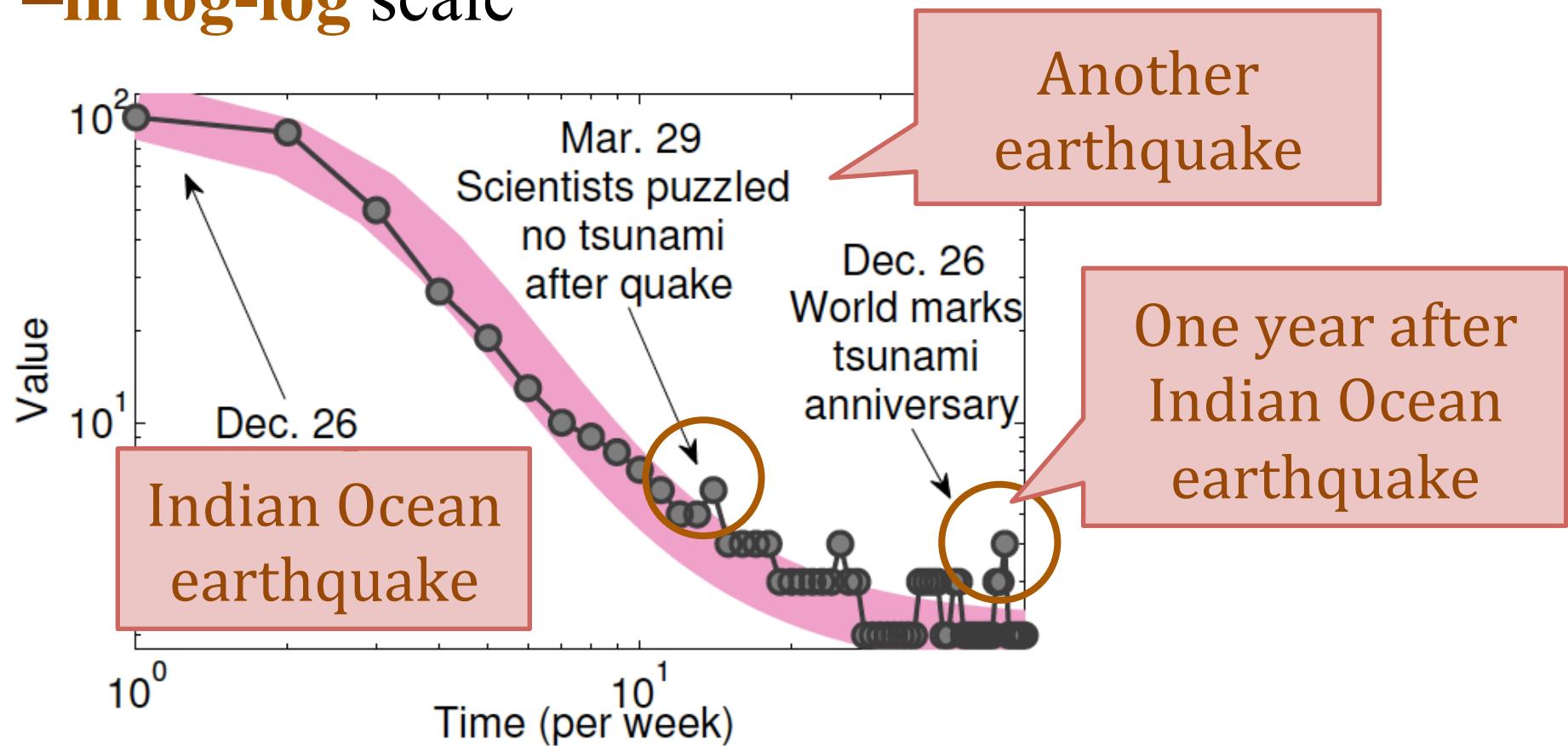


SpikeM can forecast upcoming spikes!



A2. Outlier detection

- Fitting result of “tsunami (Google trend)”
–in **log-log** scale

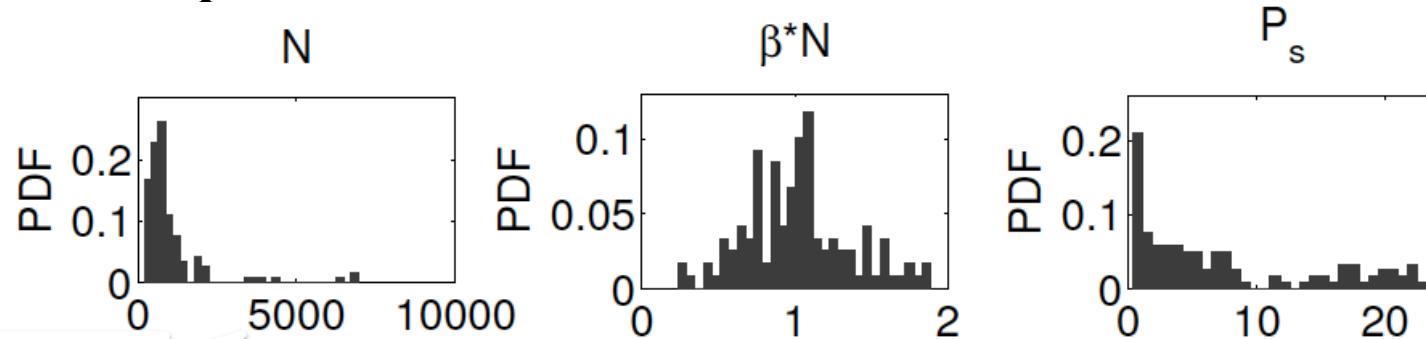




A3. Reverse engineering

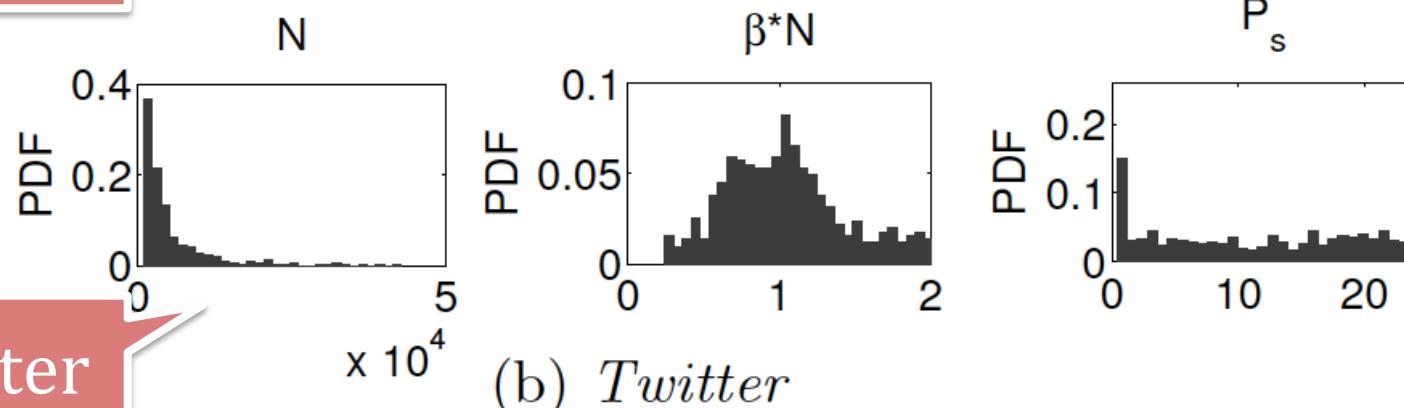
SpikeM provide an intuitive explanation

PDF of parameters over 1,000 memes/hashtags



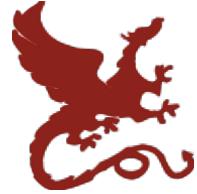
Meme

(a) *MemeTracker*



Twitter

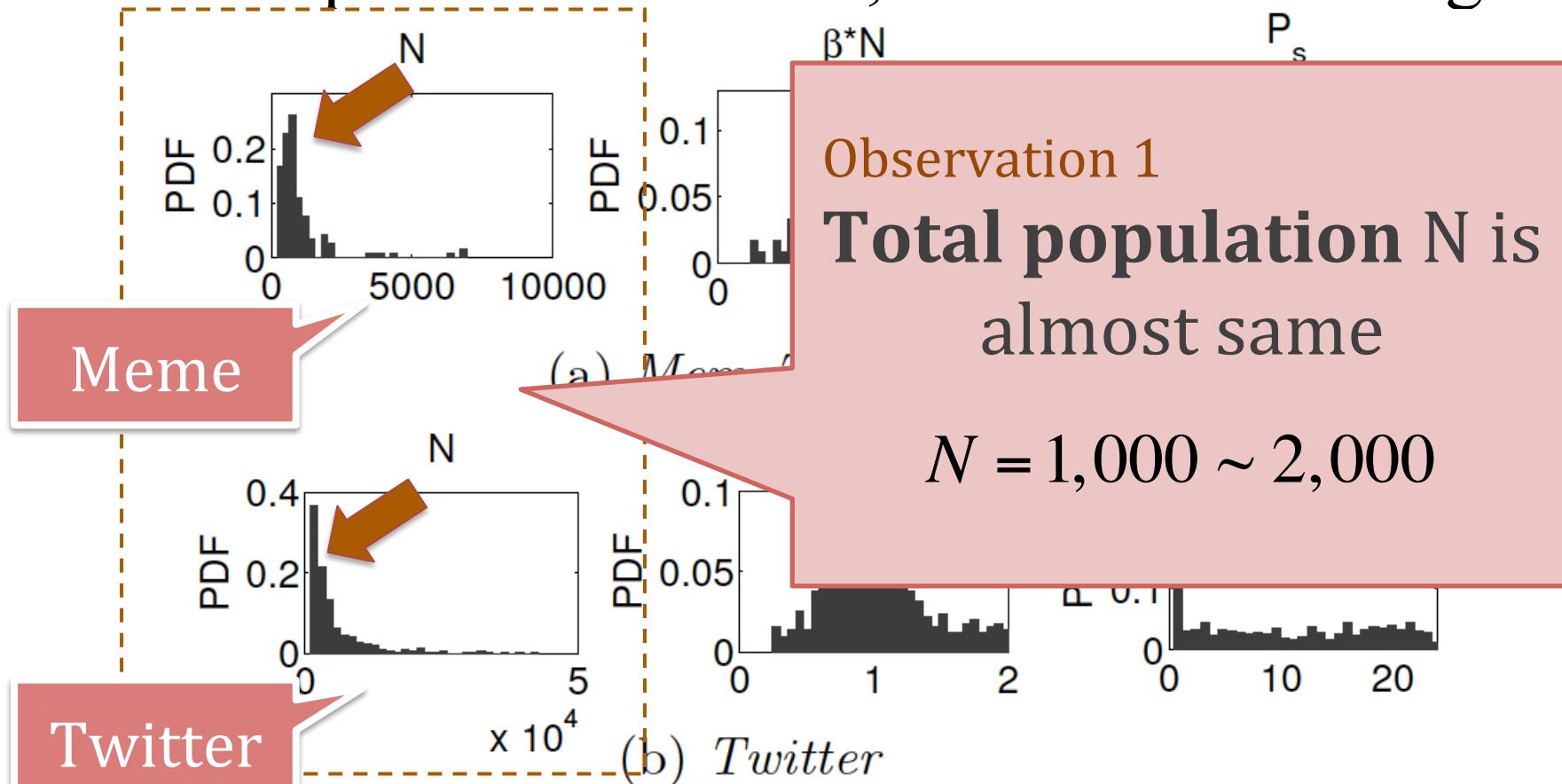
(b) *Twitter*



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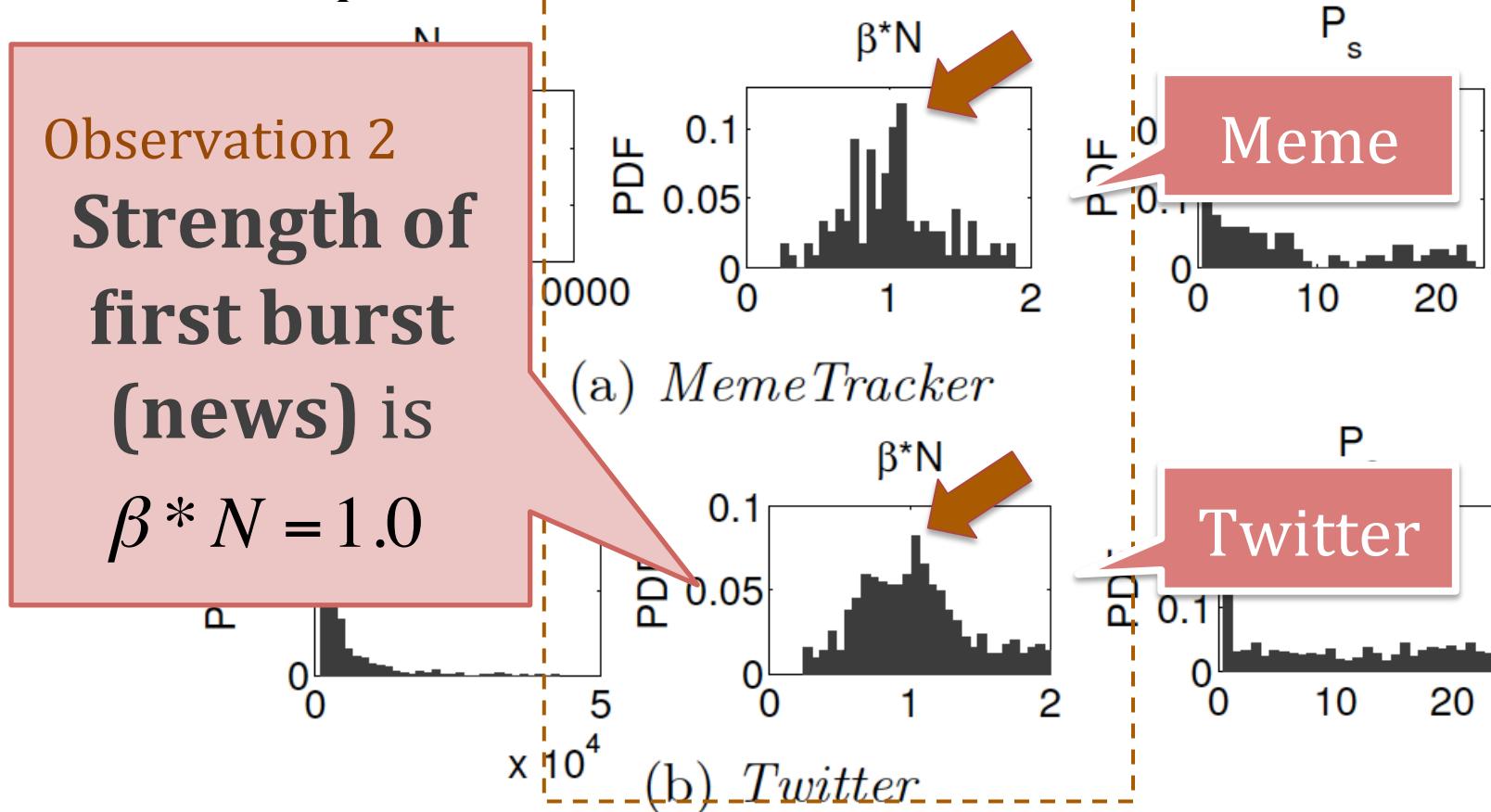




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Observation 3

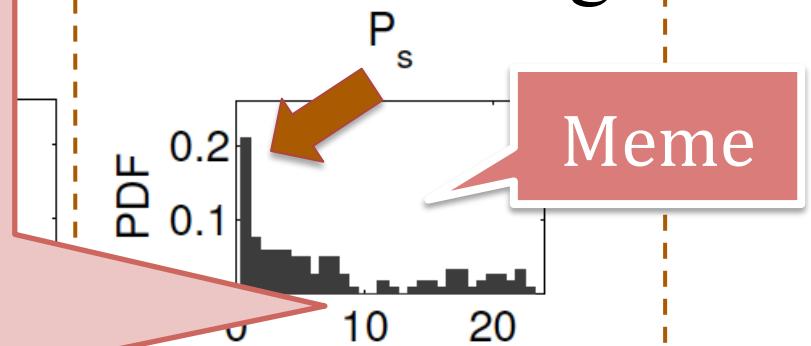
Daily periodicity

with phase shift

$$P_s = 0$$

Every meme has the same
periodicity without lag

0 memes/hashtags



Meme

(Twitter)

Daily periodicity with

more spread in P_s

(i.e., Multiple time zone)

β^*N

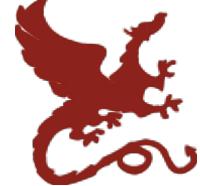


Twitter



Part 2

Roadmap



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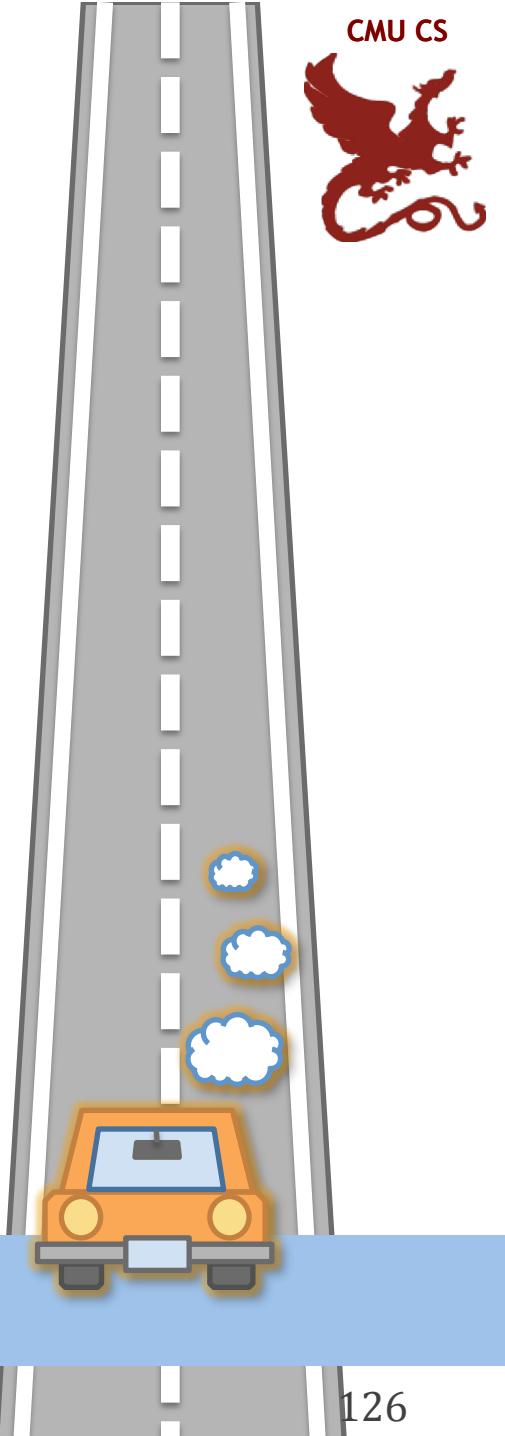
- ✓ Why: “non-linear” modeling

Fundamentals

- ✓ Non-linear (grey-box) models

Applications

- ✓ Epidemics
- ✓ Information diffusion
 - Online competition





Online competition in social networks





Online competition in social networks

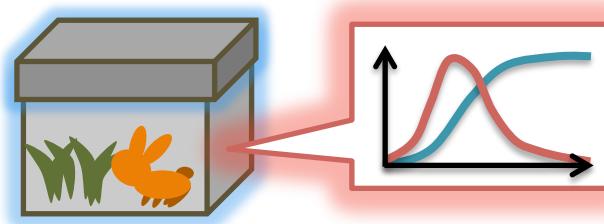




Online competition - roadmap



Solutions



- Winner-Takes-All [Prakash+ WWW'12]
- Co-existence of the two viruses [Beutel+ KDD'12]
- The Web as a Jungle [Matsumura+ WWW'15]



Online competition - roadmap

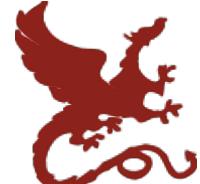


A. Non-linear (gray-box)
modeling!

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Competing contagions

[Prakash+ WWW'12]

Contagions: viruses, online activities



iPhone v Android



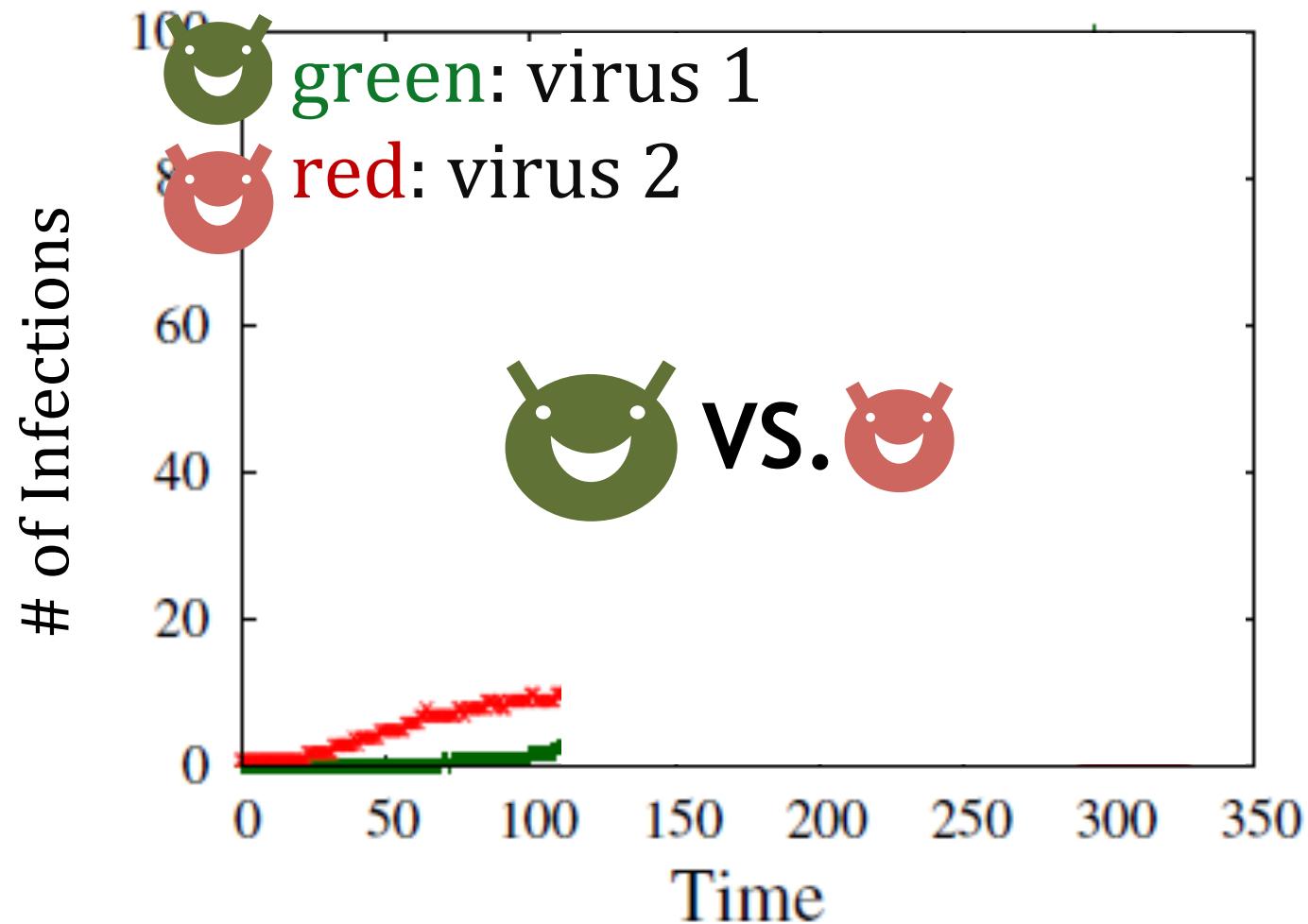
Blu-ray v HD-DVD

Q. What happen when two viruses compete?



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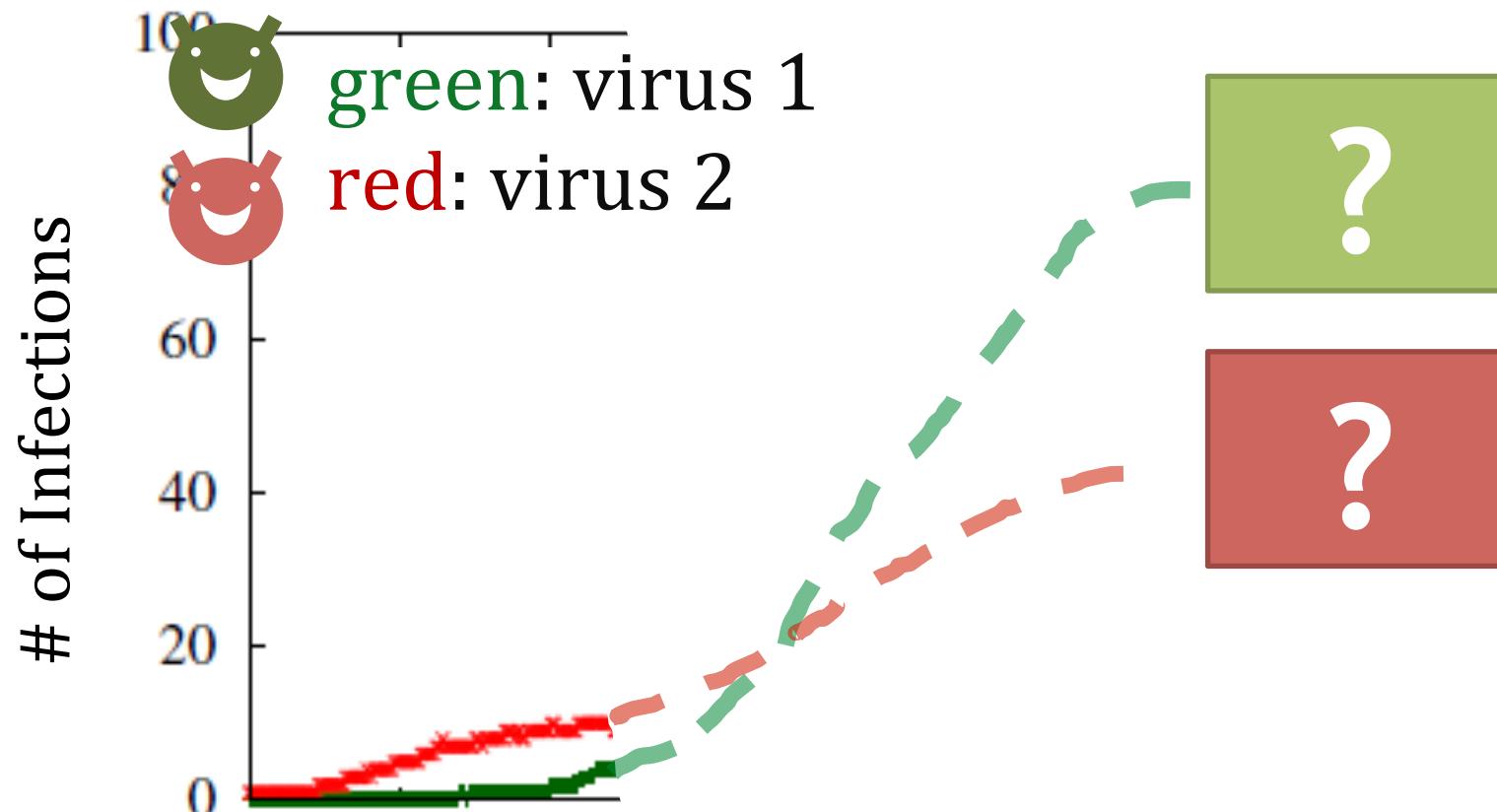
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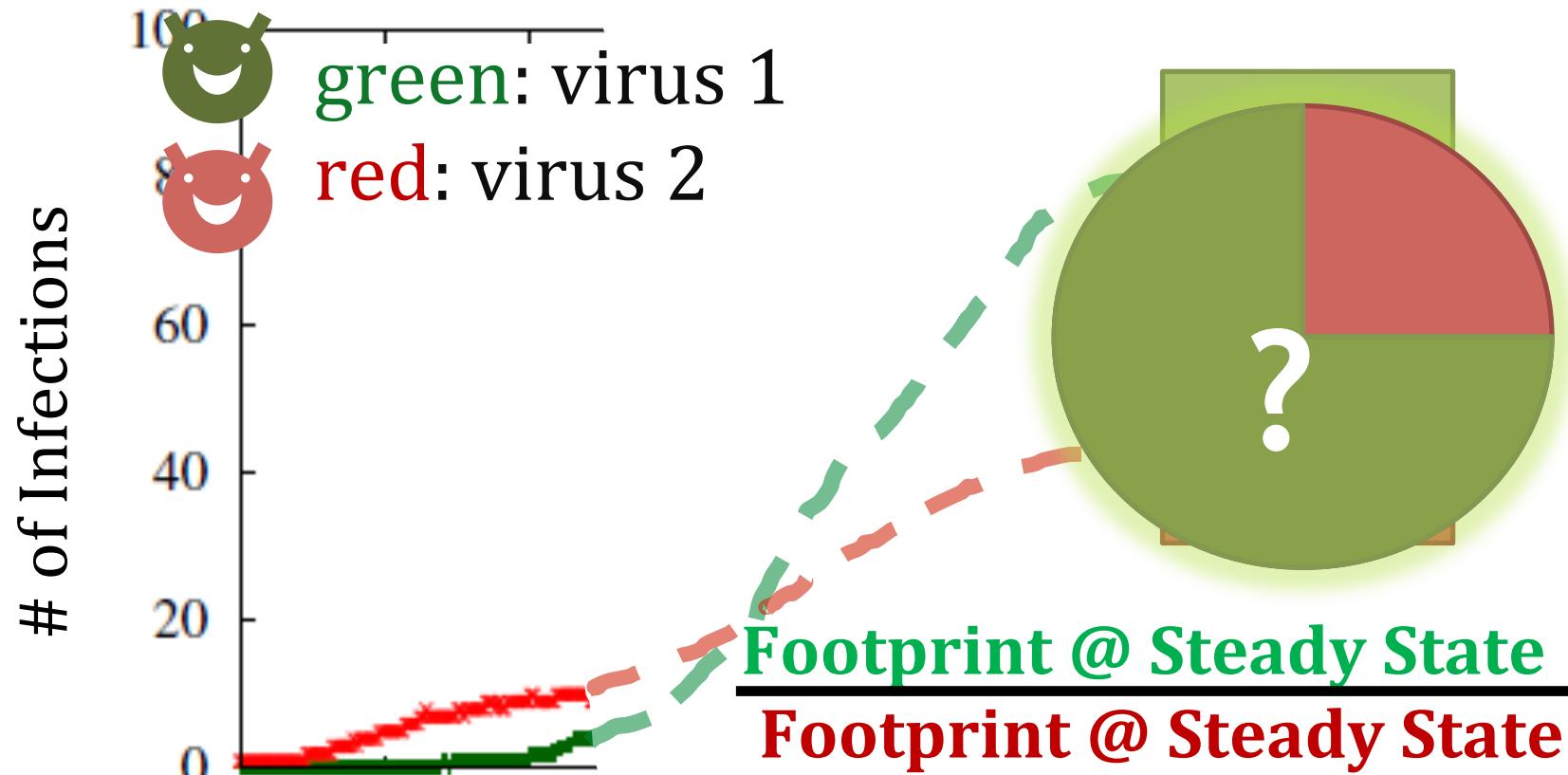
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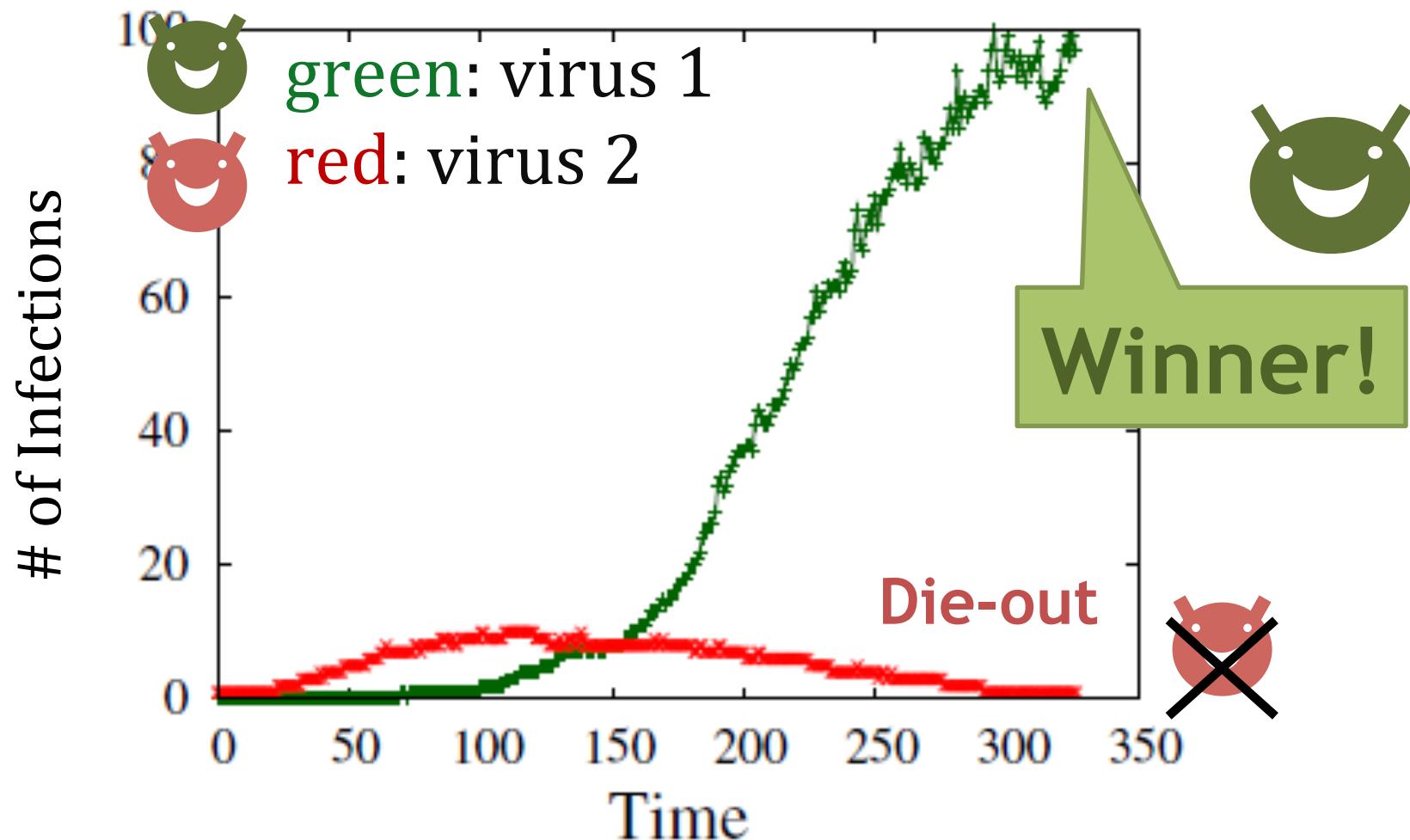


Answer:



Winner-Takes-All!

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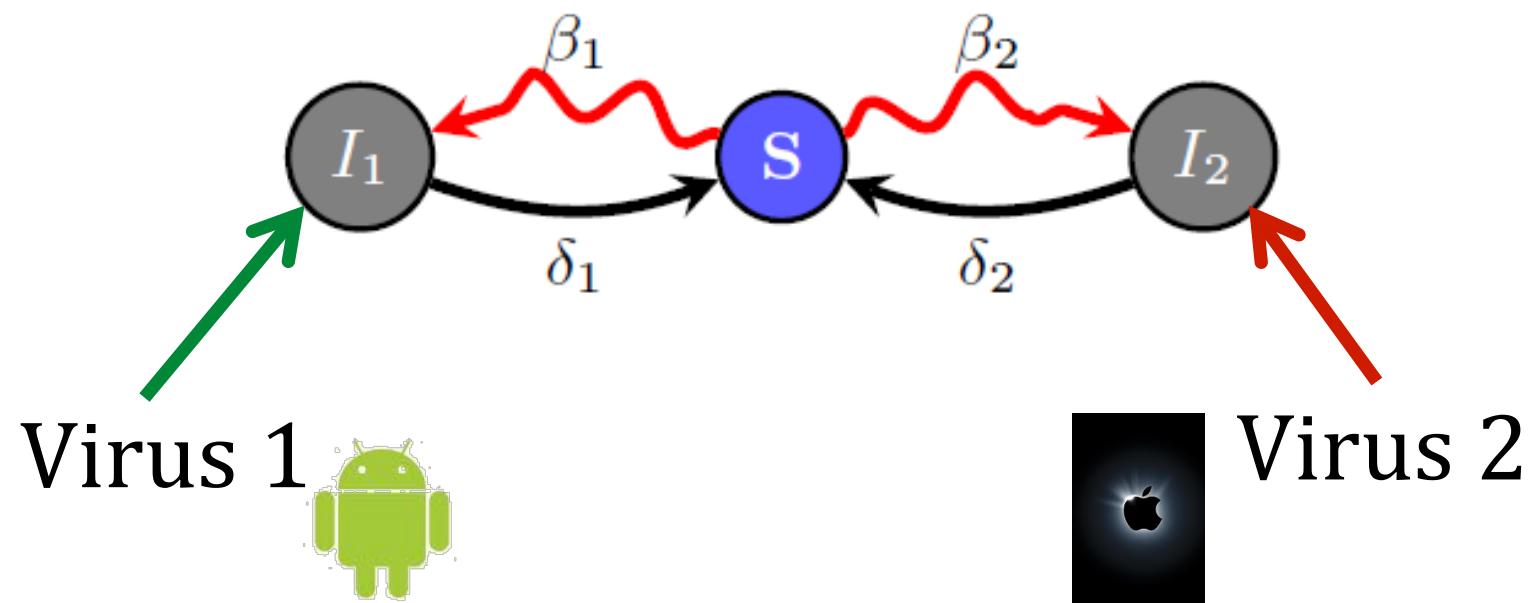
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A simple model

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- Modified flu-like (SIS) model
- Mutual Immunity (“pick one of the two”)
- Susceptible-Infected1-Infected2-Susceptible

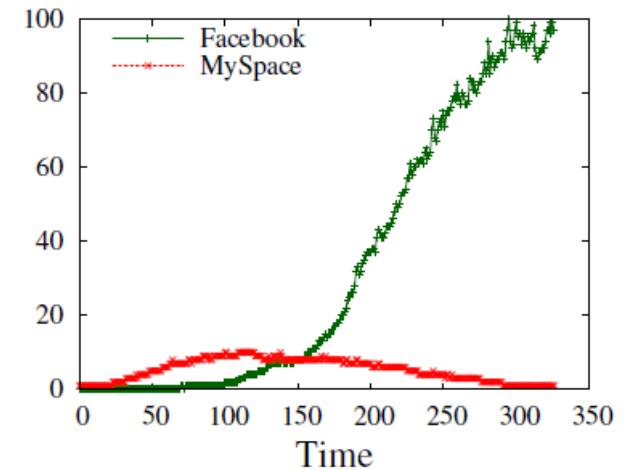




Result: Winner-Takes-All

[Prakash+ WWW'12]

Given this model,
and *any graph*,
the weaker virus always
dies-out, completely



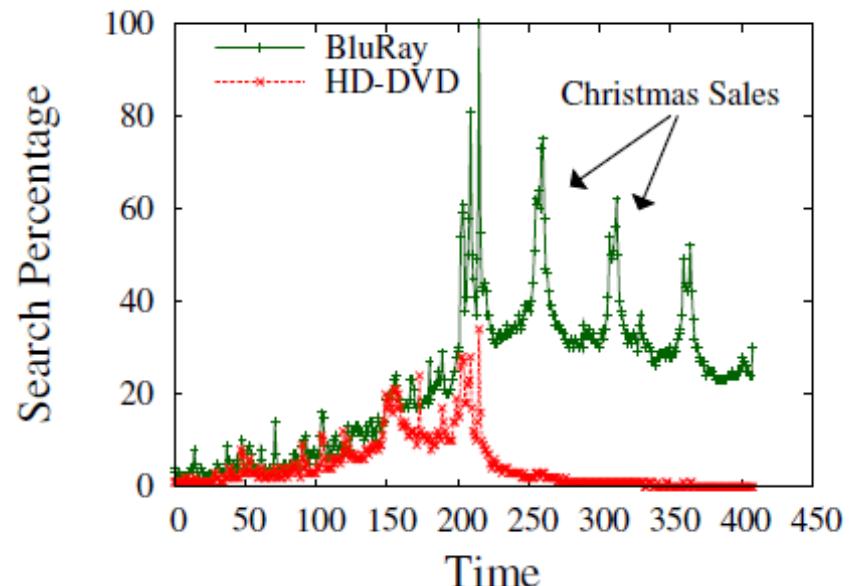
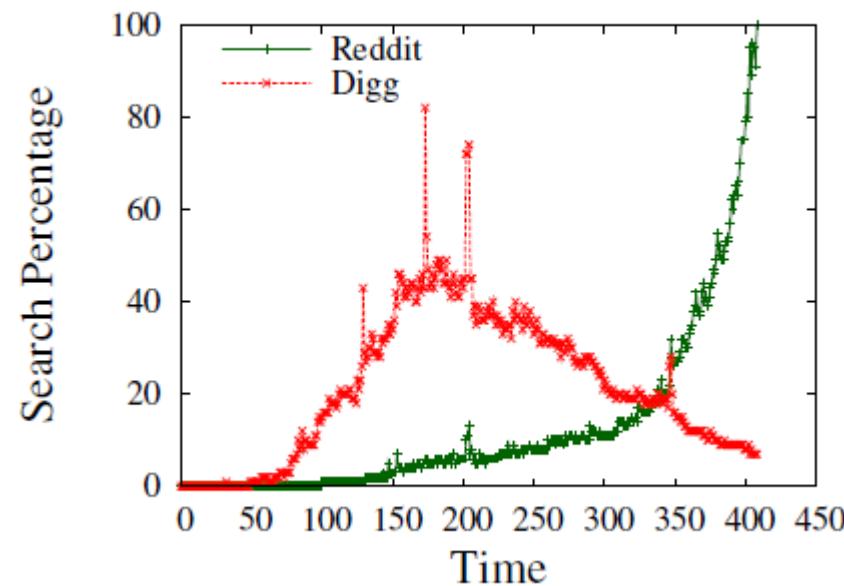
1. The stronger survives only if it is above threshold
2. Virus 1 is stronger than Virus 2, if:
 $\text{strength}(\text{Virus 1}) > \text{strength}(\text{Virus 2})$
3. $\text{Strength}(\text{Virus}) = \lambda \beta / \delta \rightarrow \text{same as before!}$



Real Examples of “WTA”

[Prakash+ WWW'12]

[Google Search Trends data]



Reddit v Digg



reddit

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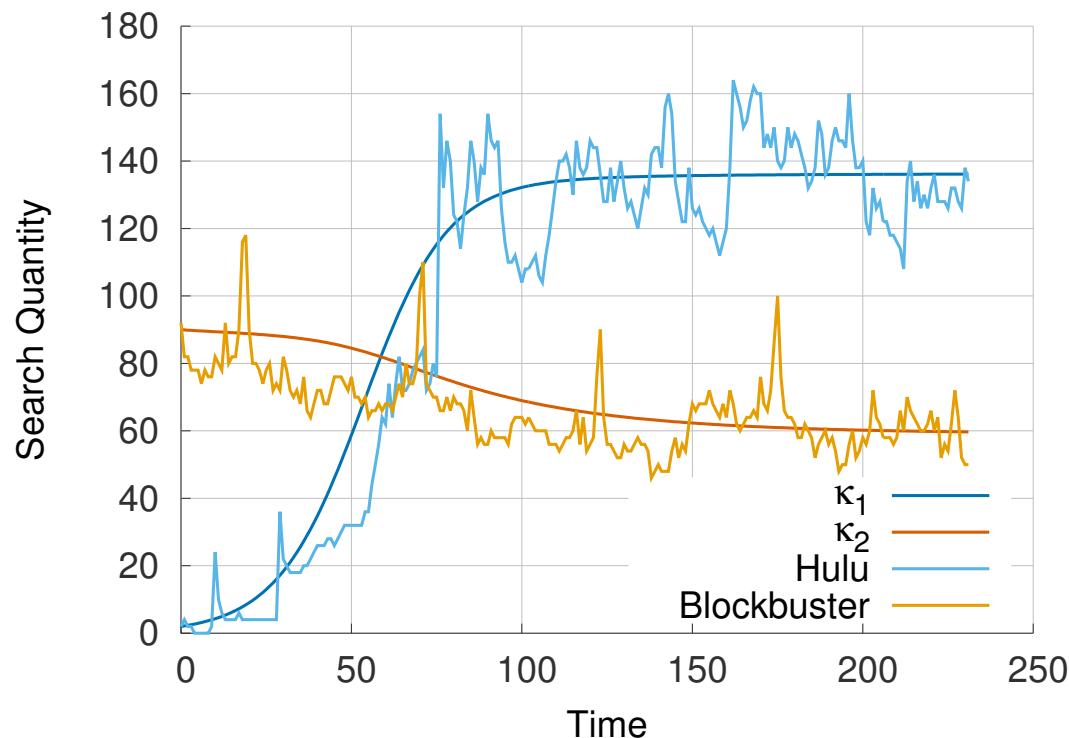


Interacting Viruses: Can Both Survive?



Real example of “co-existence”

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Hulu v Blockbuster

hulu



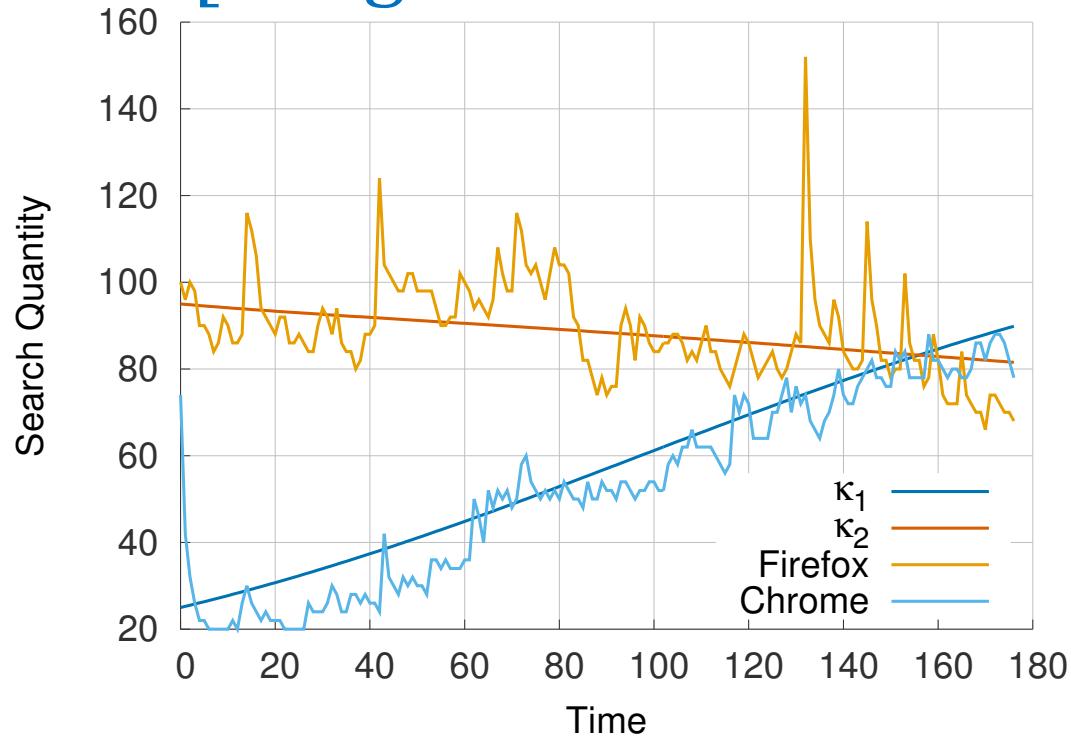


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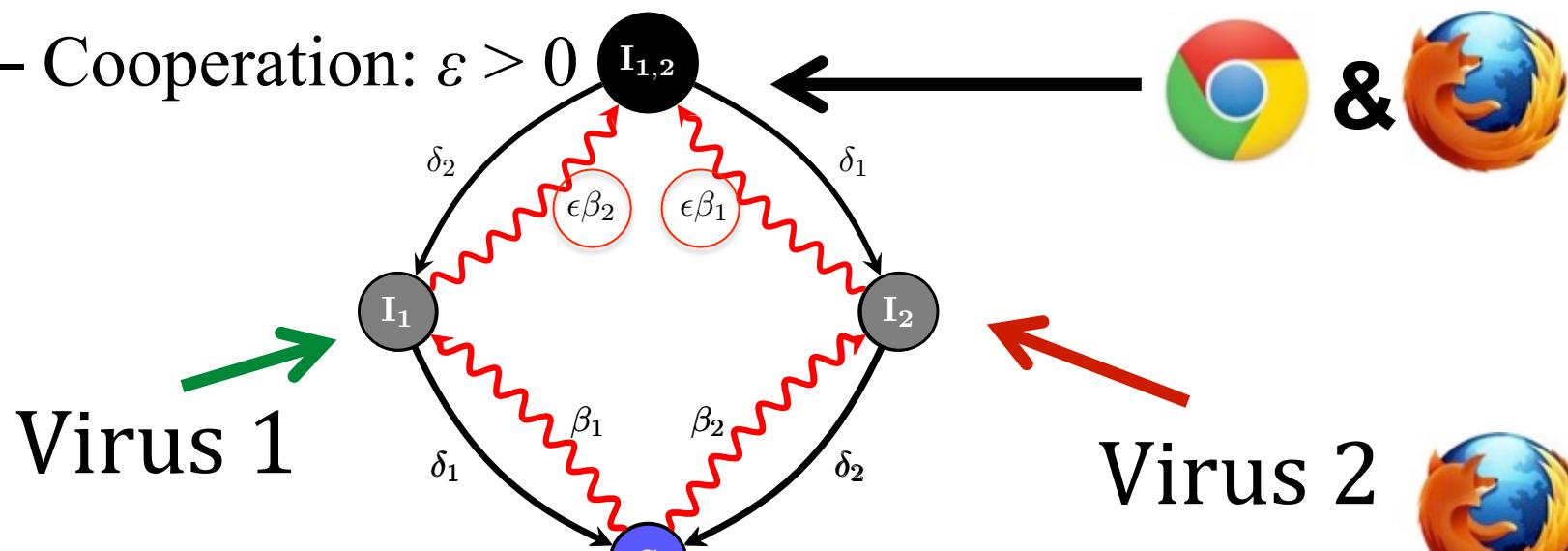
Chrome v Firefox





A simple model: $SI_{I_1|2}S$

- Modified flu-like (SIS)
- Susceptible-Infected_{1 or 2}-Susceptible
- Interaction Factor ϵ
 - Full Mutual Immunity: $\epsilon = 0$
 - Partial Mutual Immunity (competition): $\epsilon < 0$
 - Cooperation: $\epsilon > 0$





Question:

What happens in the end?

$$\varepsilon = 0$$

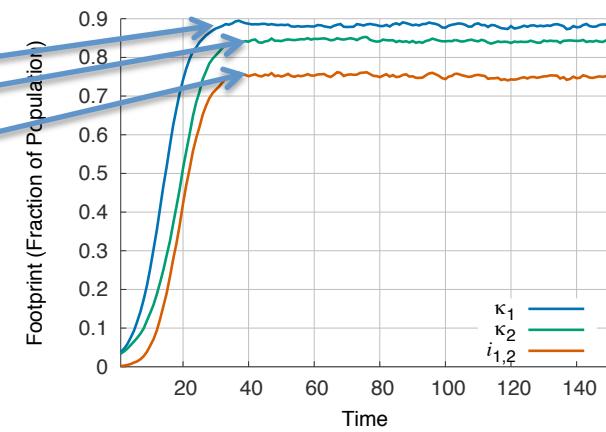
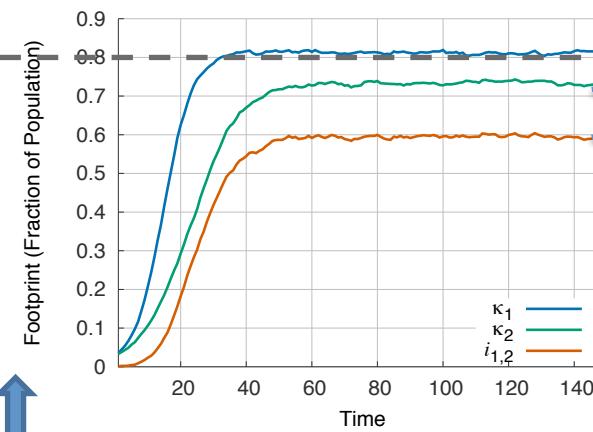
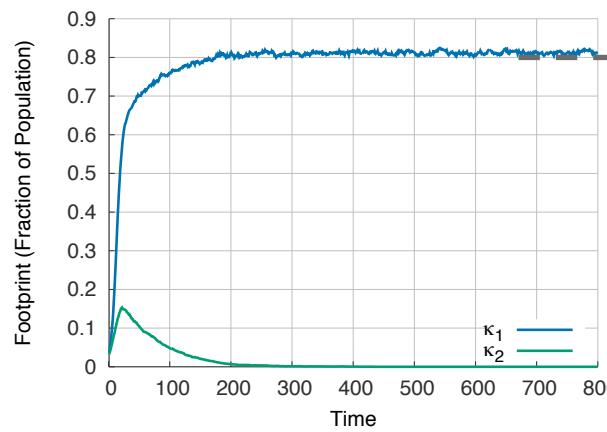
Winner takes all

$$\varepsilon = 1$$

Co-exist independently

$$\varepsilon = 2$$

Viruses cooperate



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

Is there a point at which both viruses

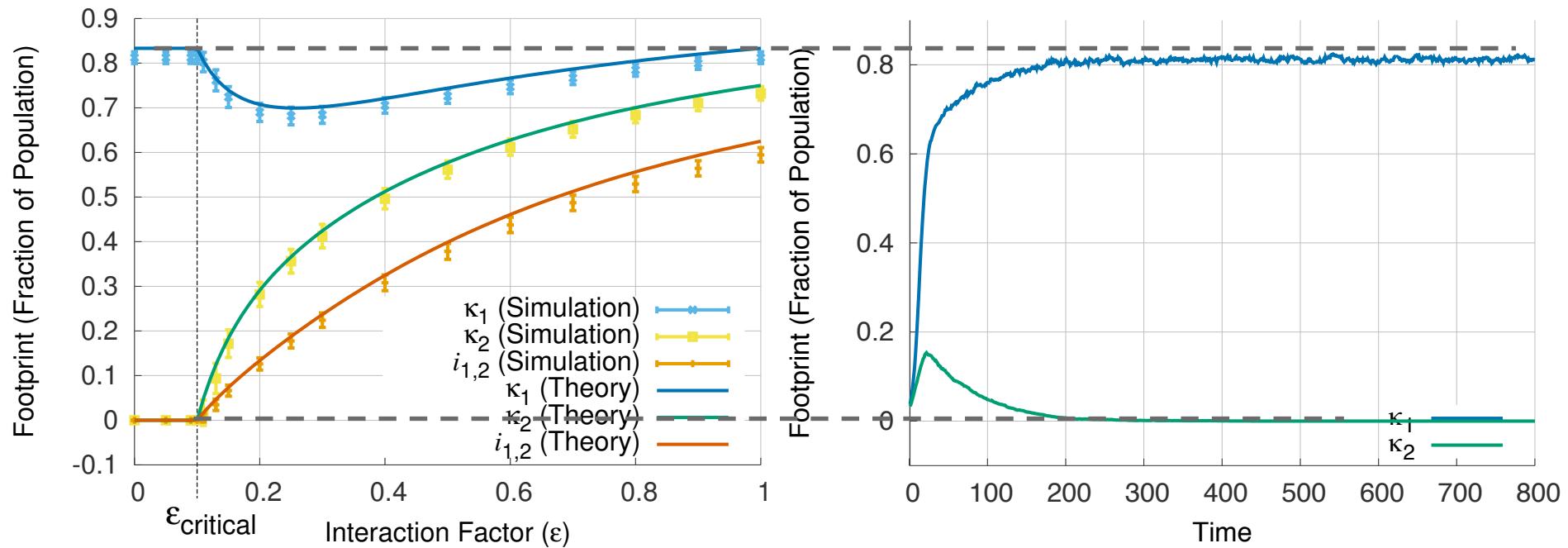
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Answer: Yes!

There is a phase transition

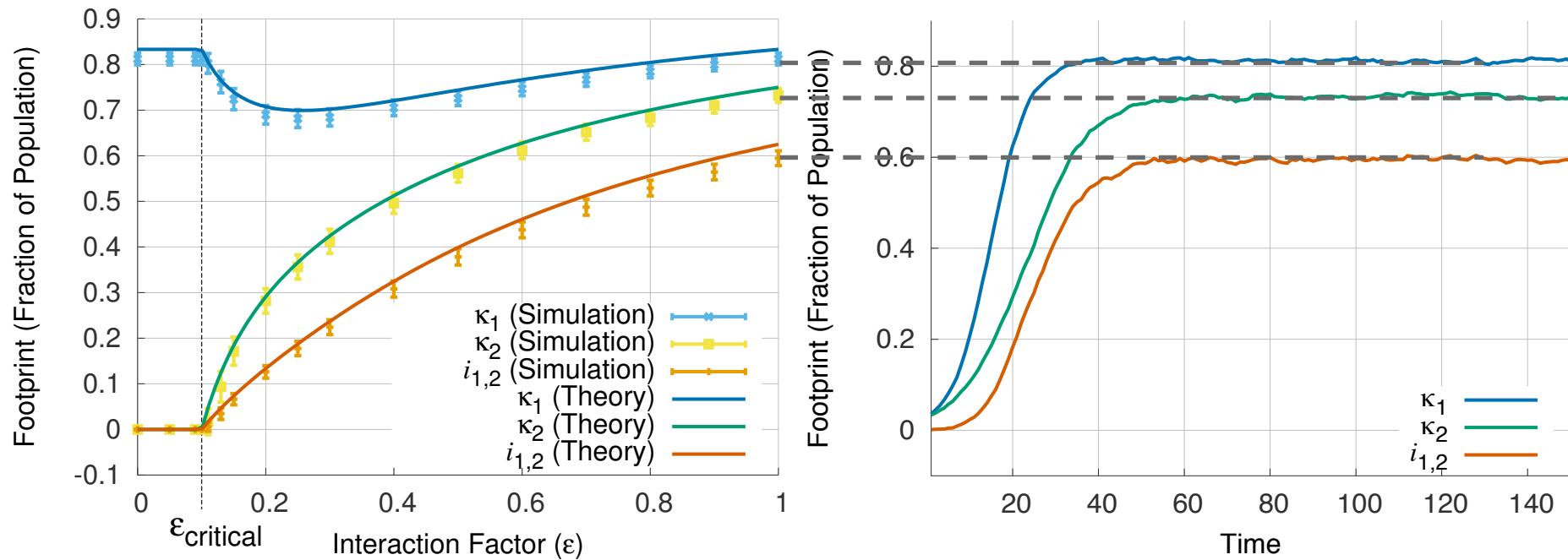


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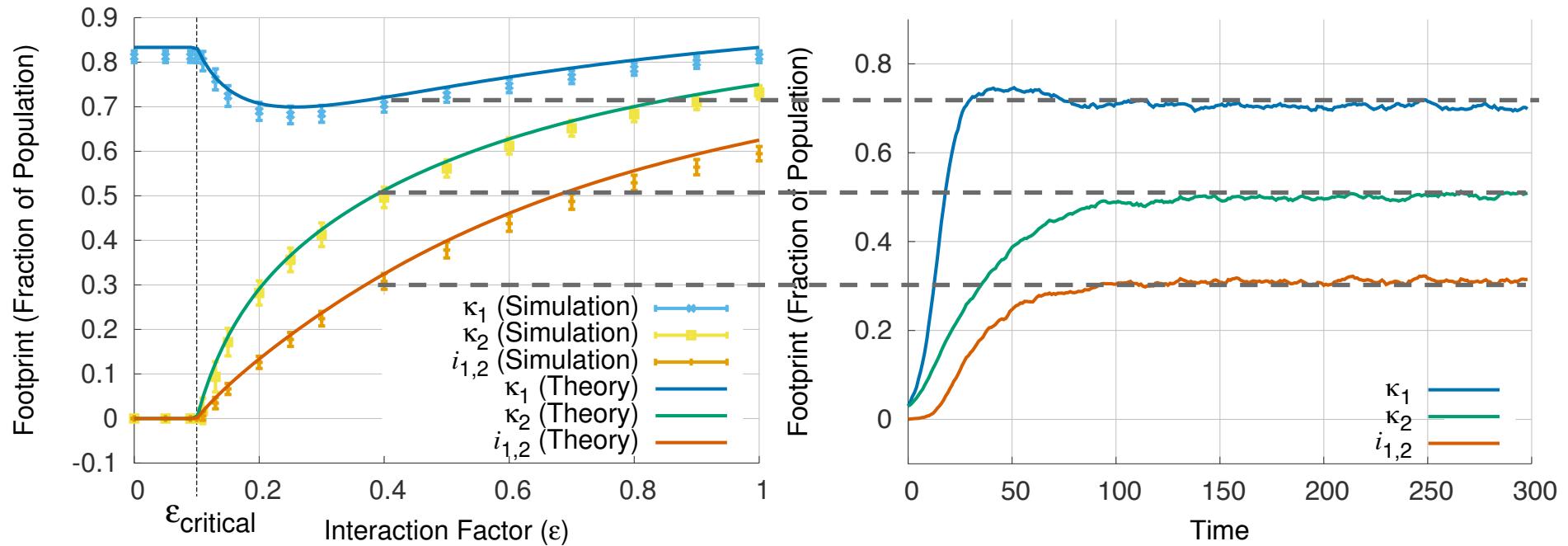


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Result:

Viruses can Co-exist

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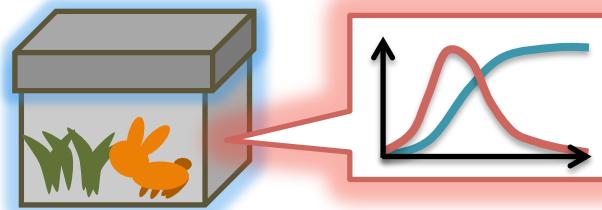


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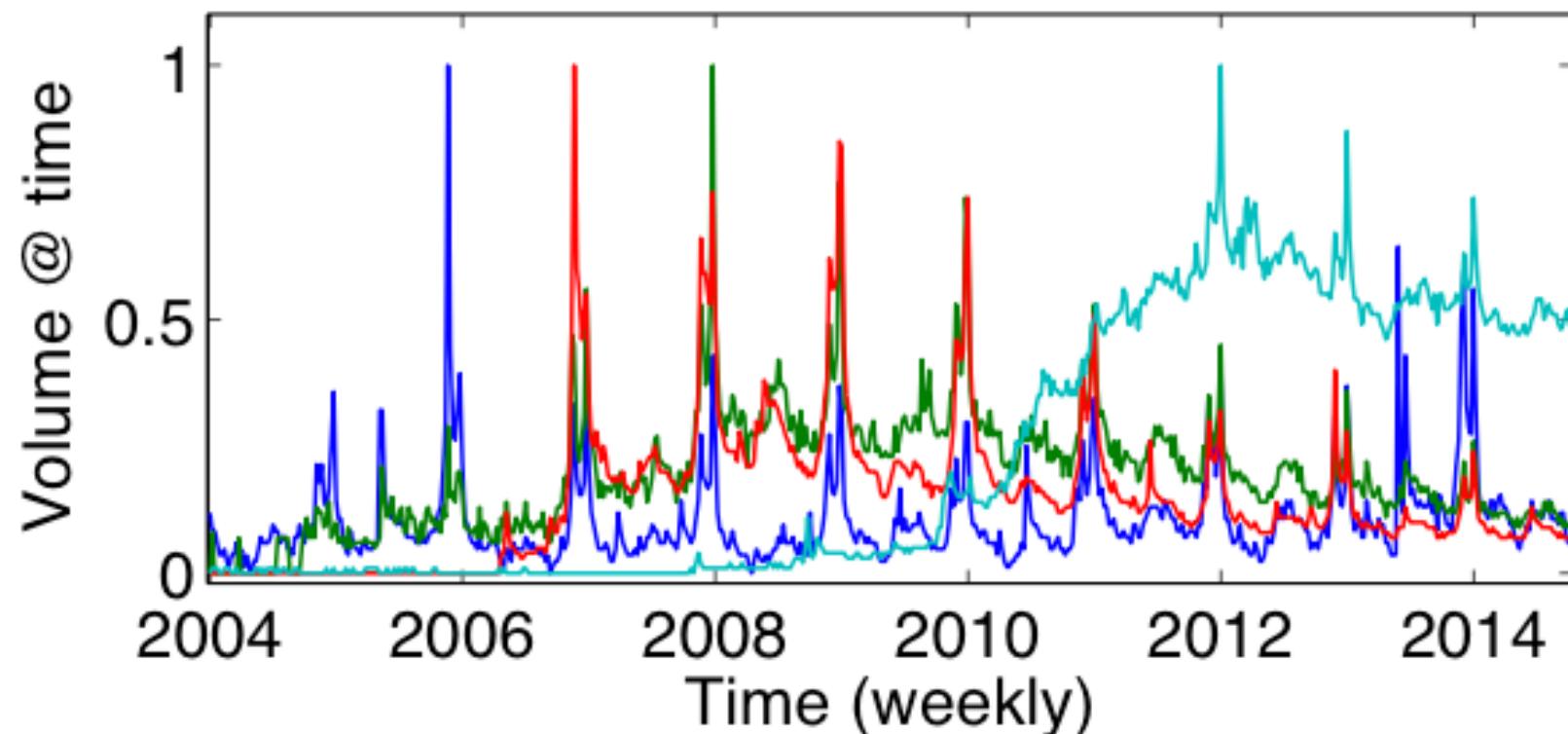


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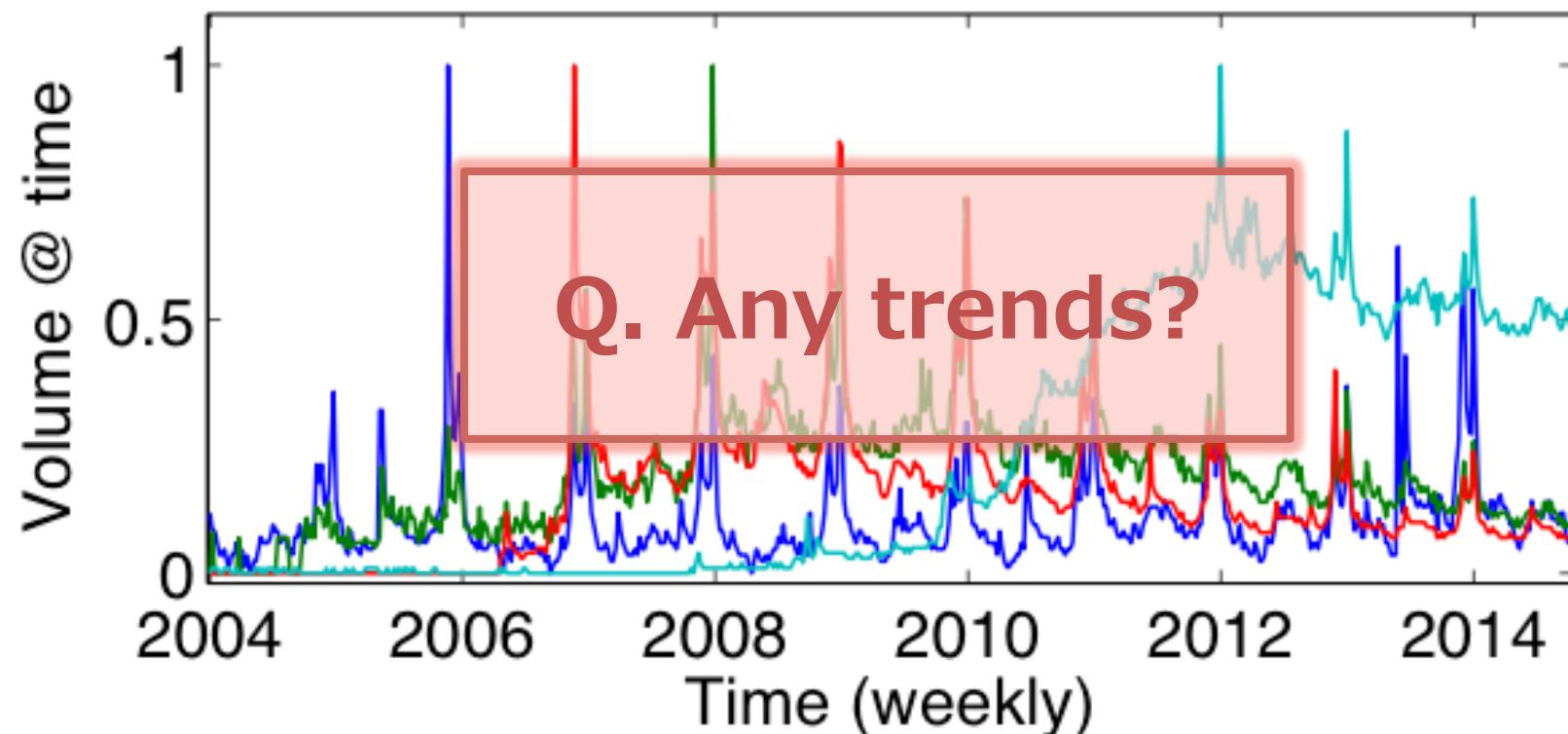


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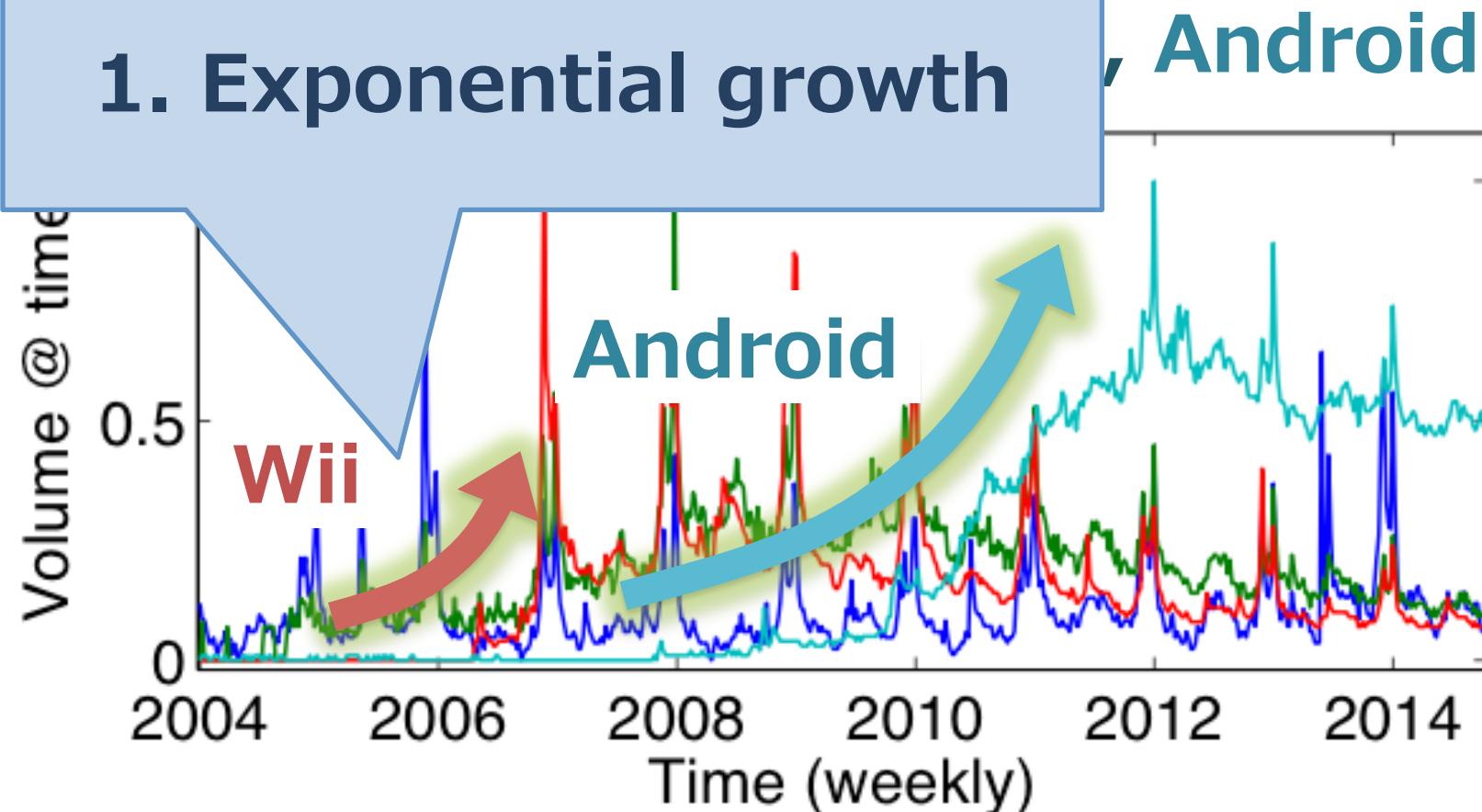


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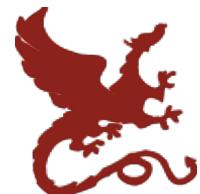
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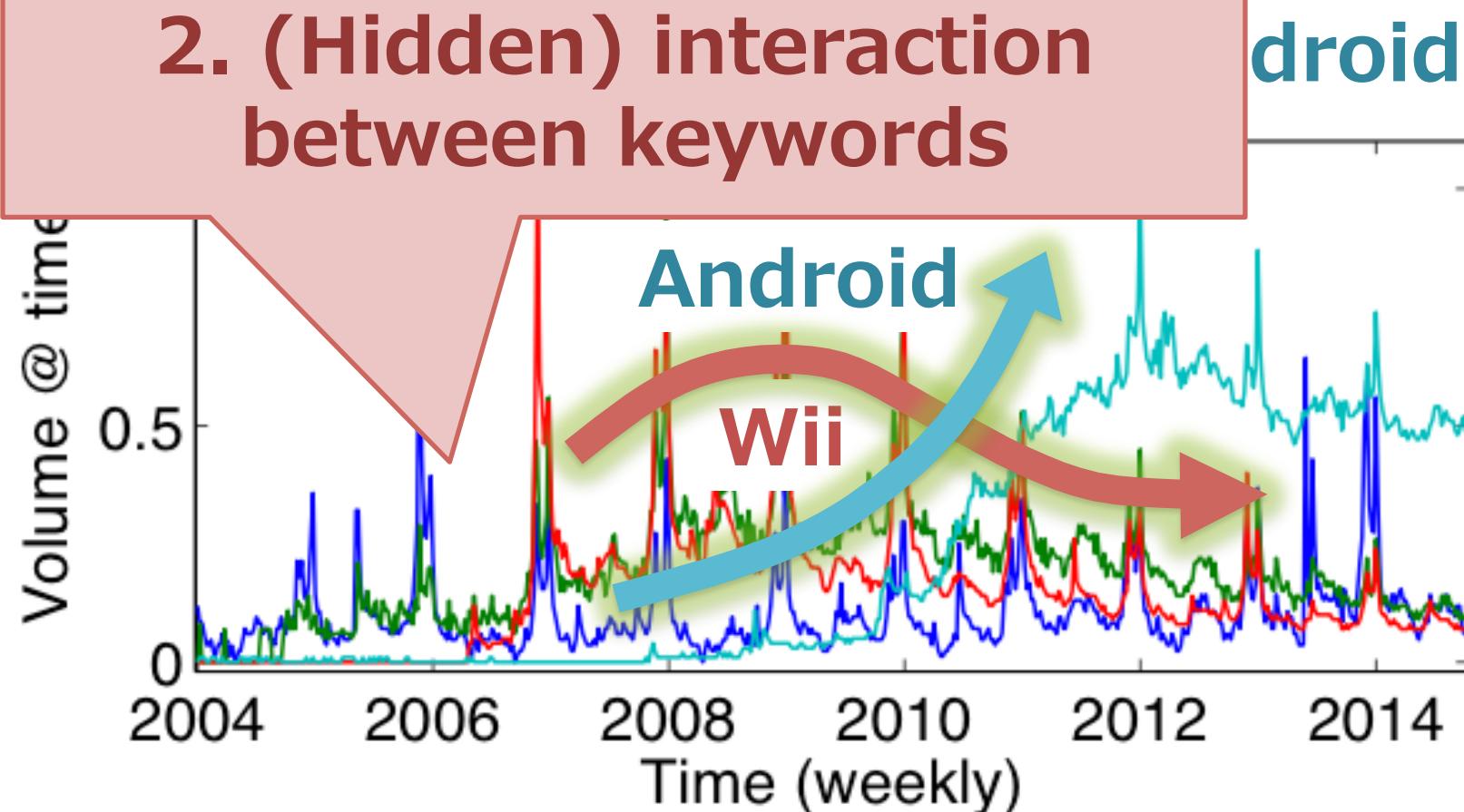


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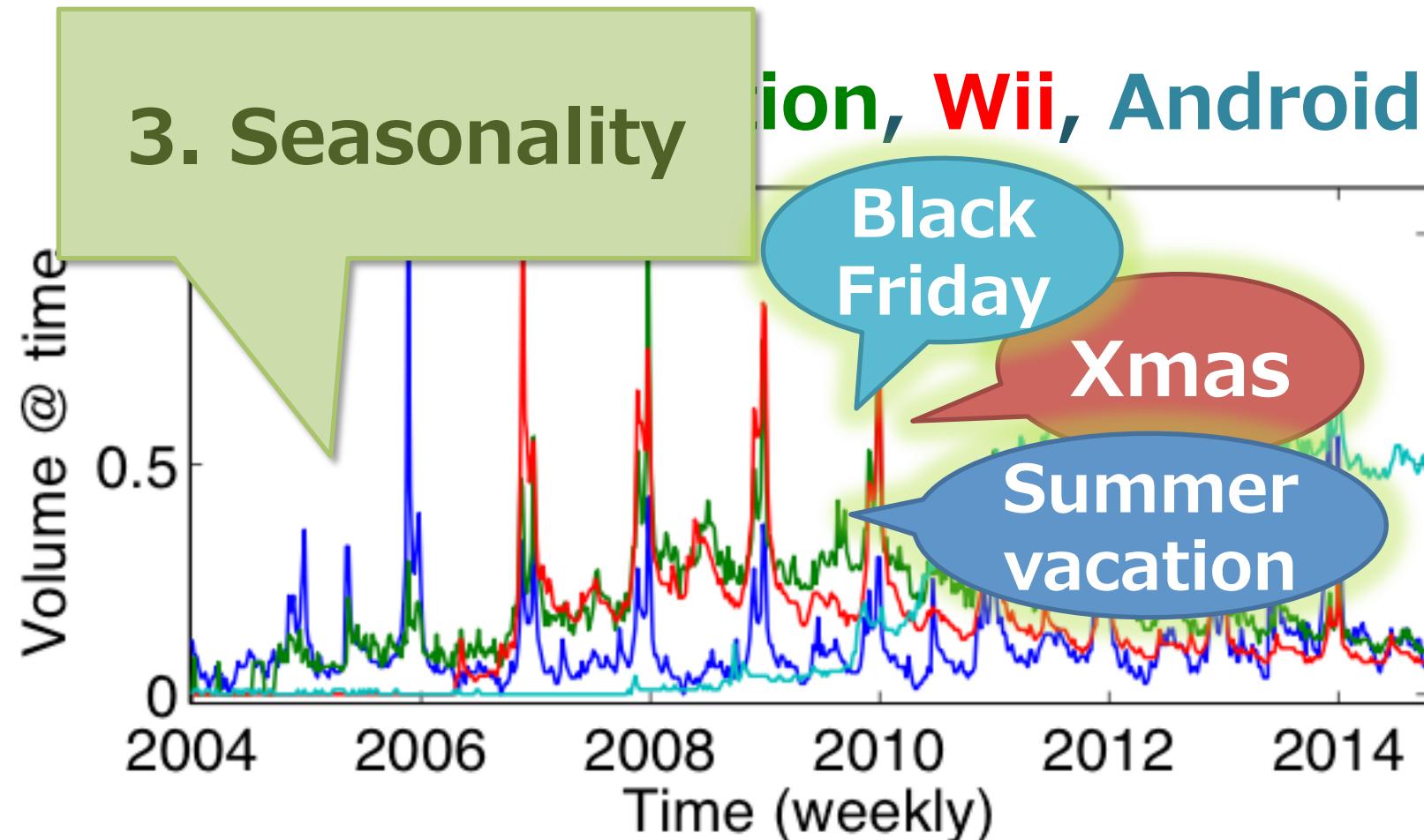
2. (Hidden) interaction between keywords





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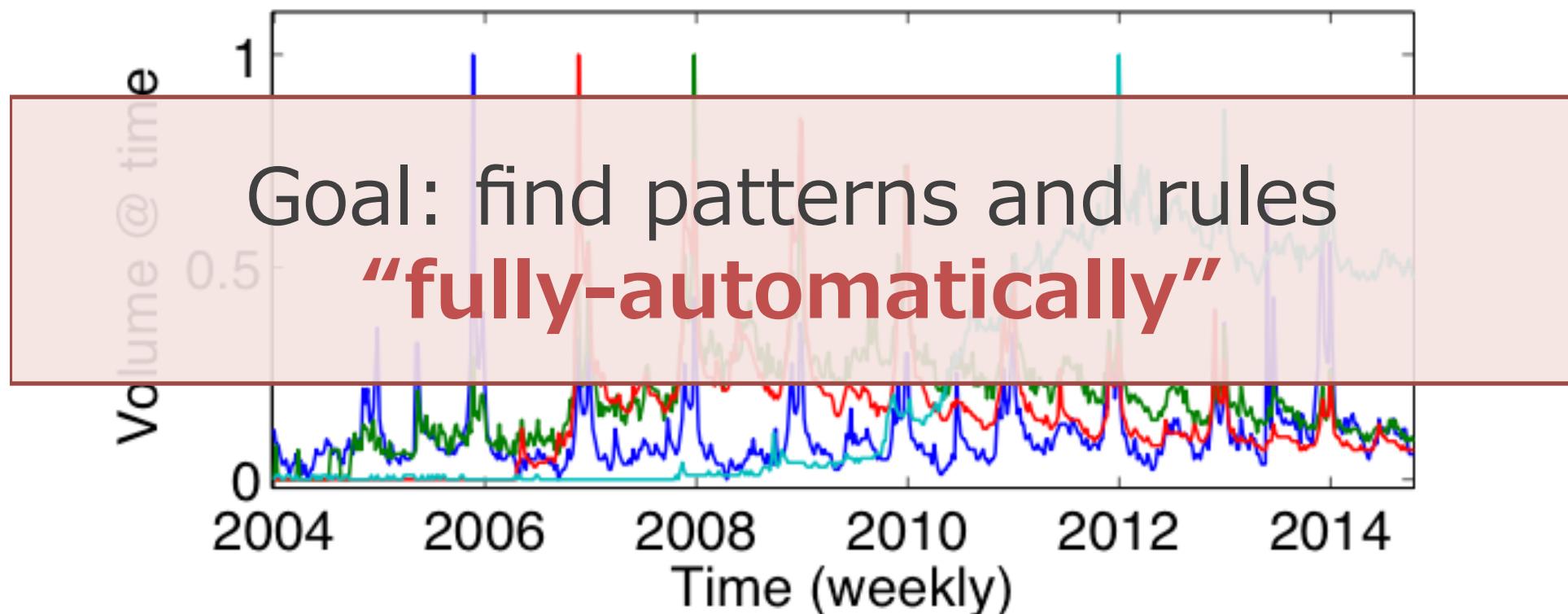


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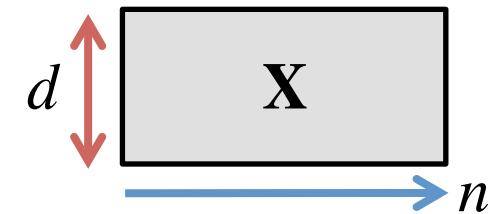




Problem definition

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X (**activity** \times time)

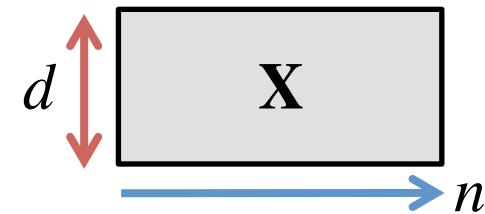




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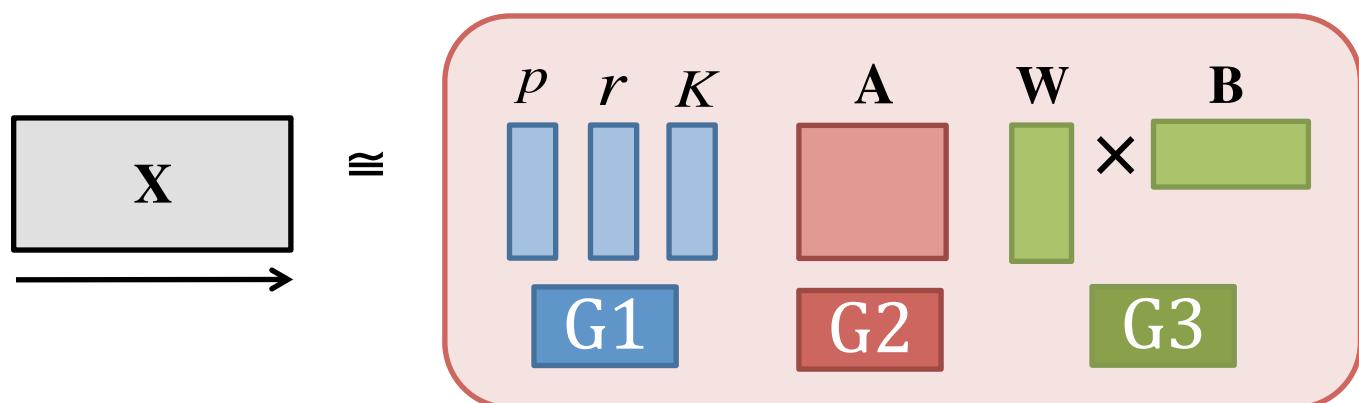
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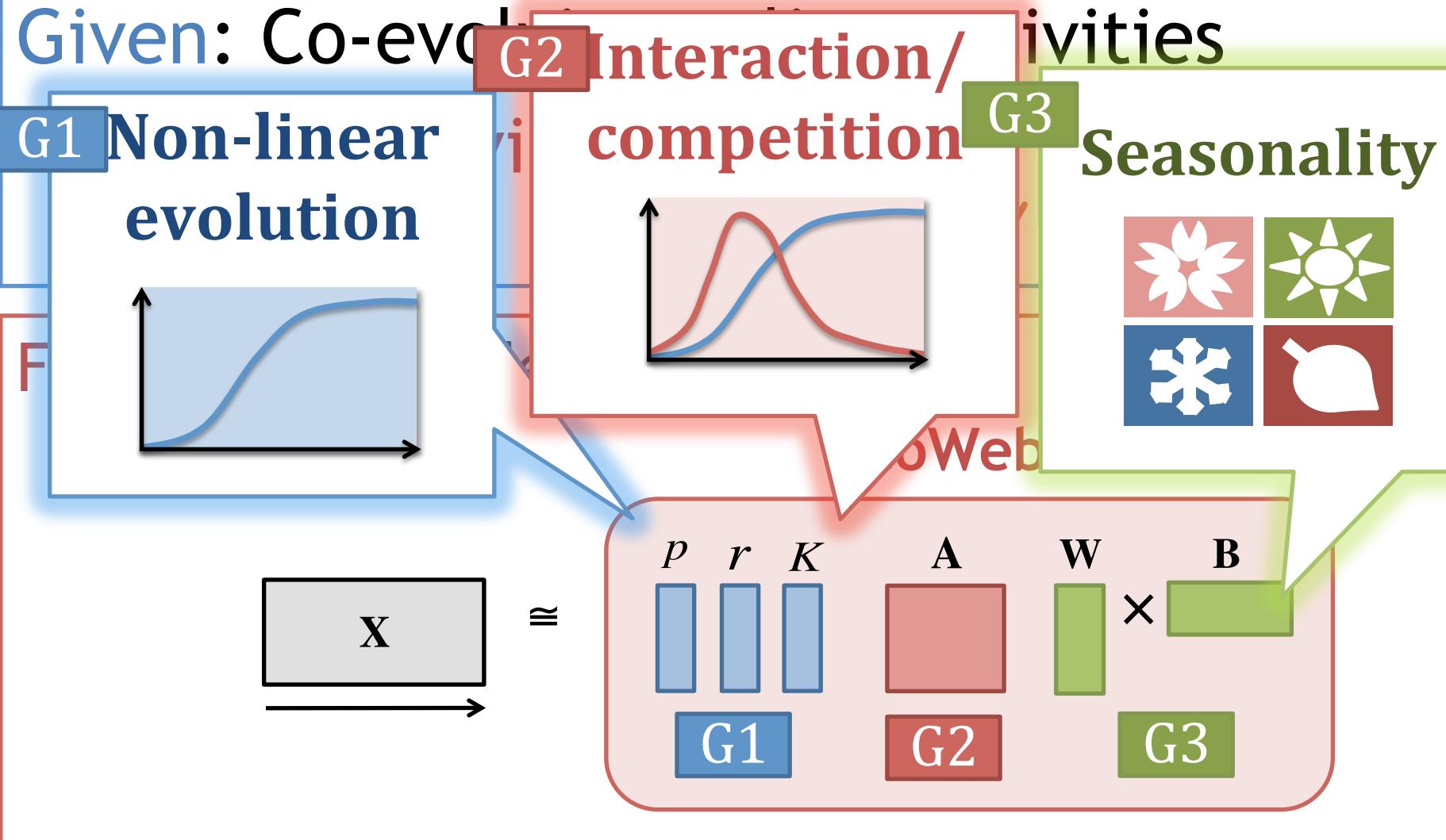
Find: Compact description of X

EcoWeb





Problem definition





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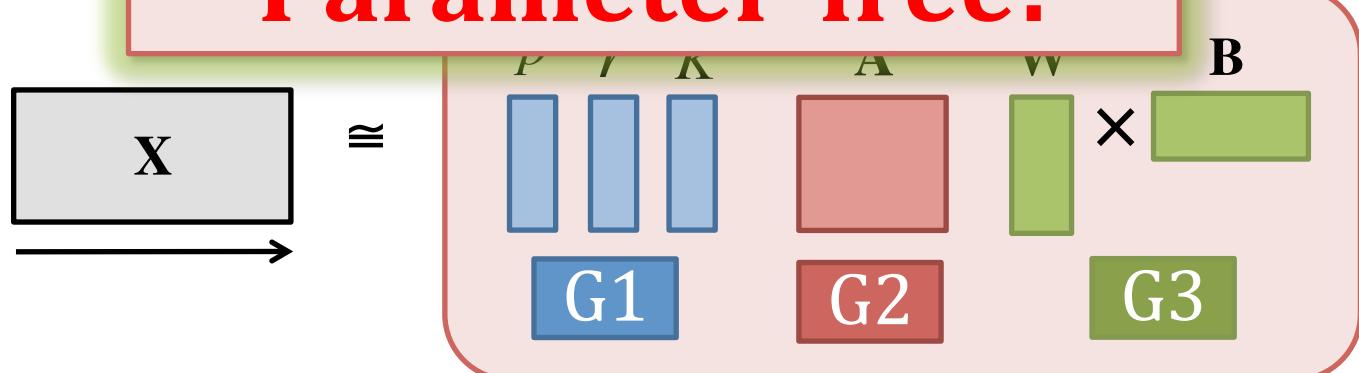
Given: Compressed matrix X (size $m \times n$)

Find: Compressed matrix S (size $m \times s$)

NO magic numbers !



Parameter-free!





Modeling power of EcoWeb

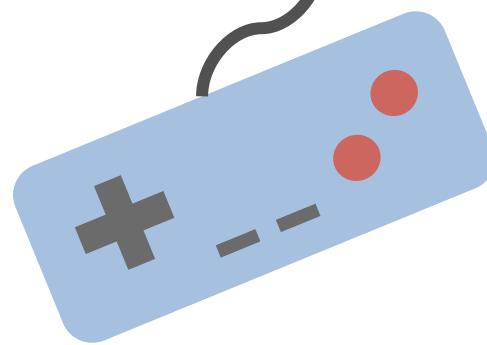


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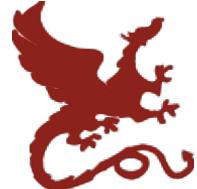
Q2

Q3



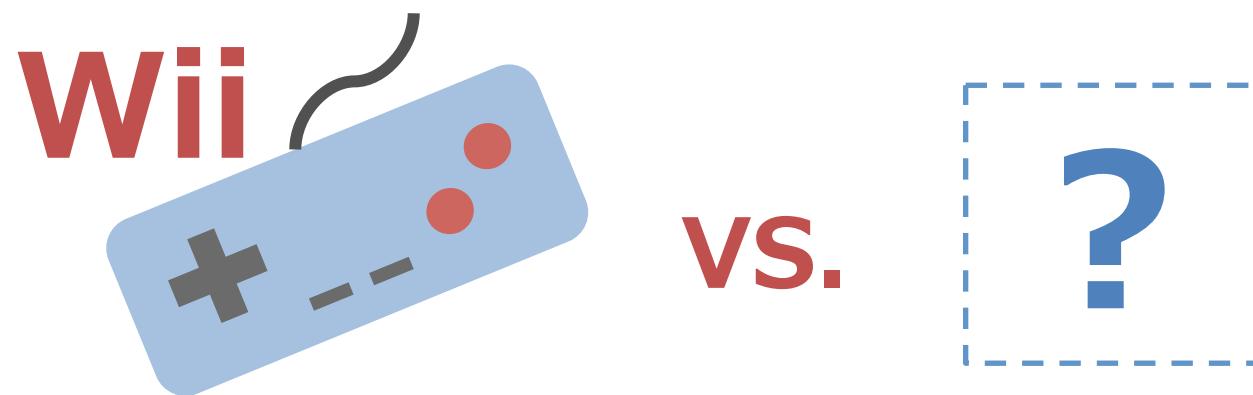


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Q1 (games)

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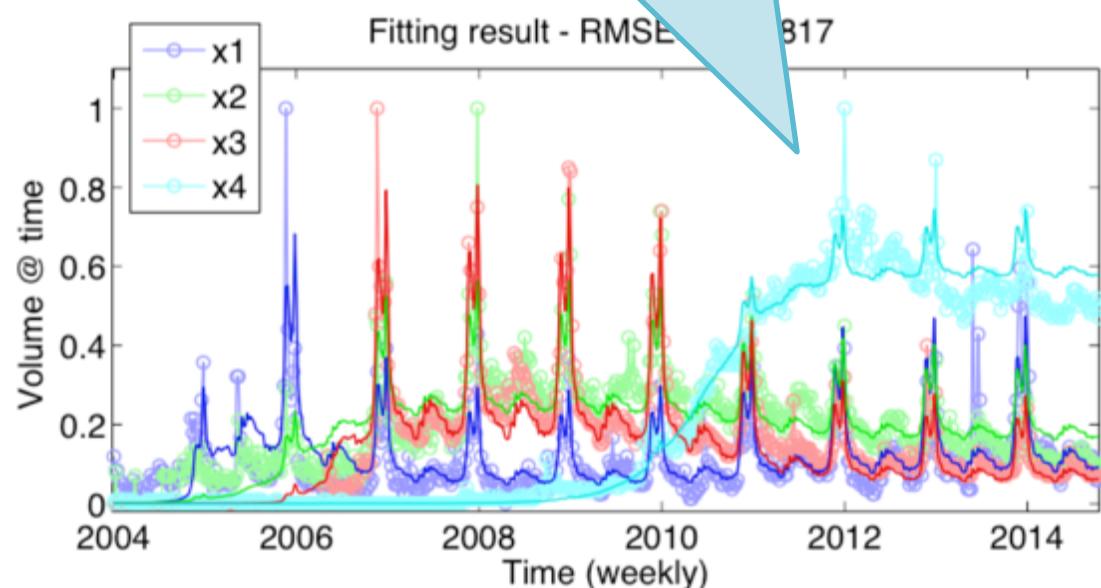




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A. Android!



EcoWeb-Fit



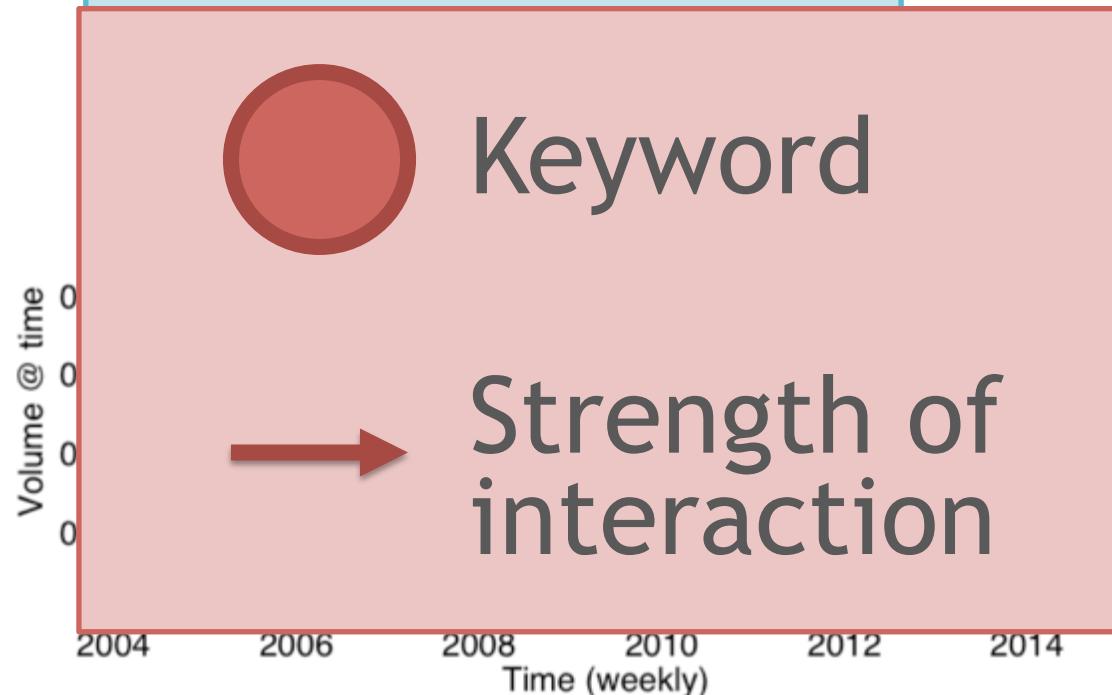
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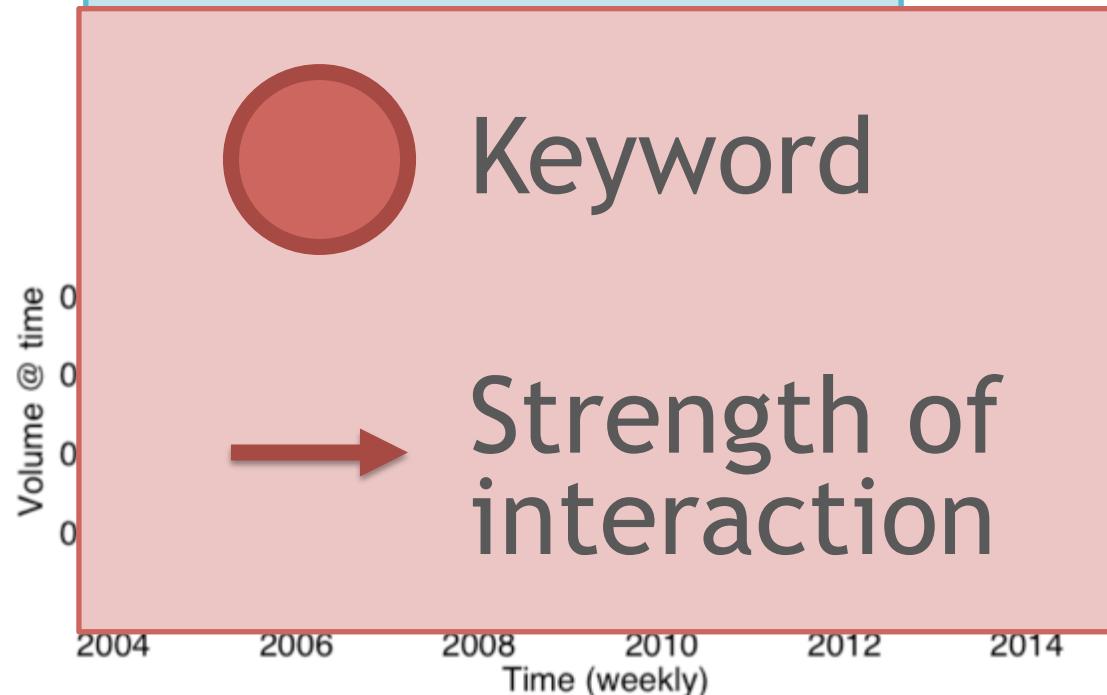
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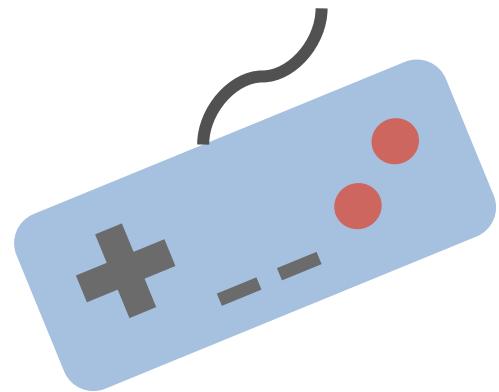


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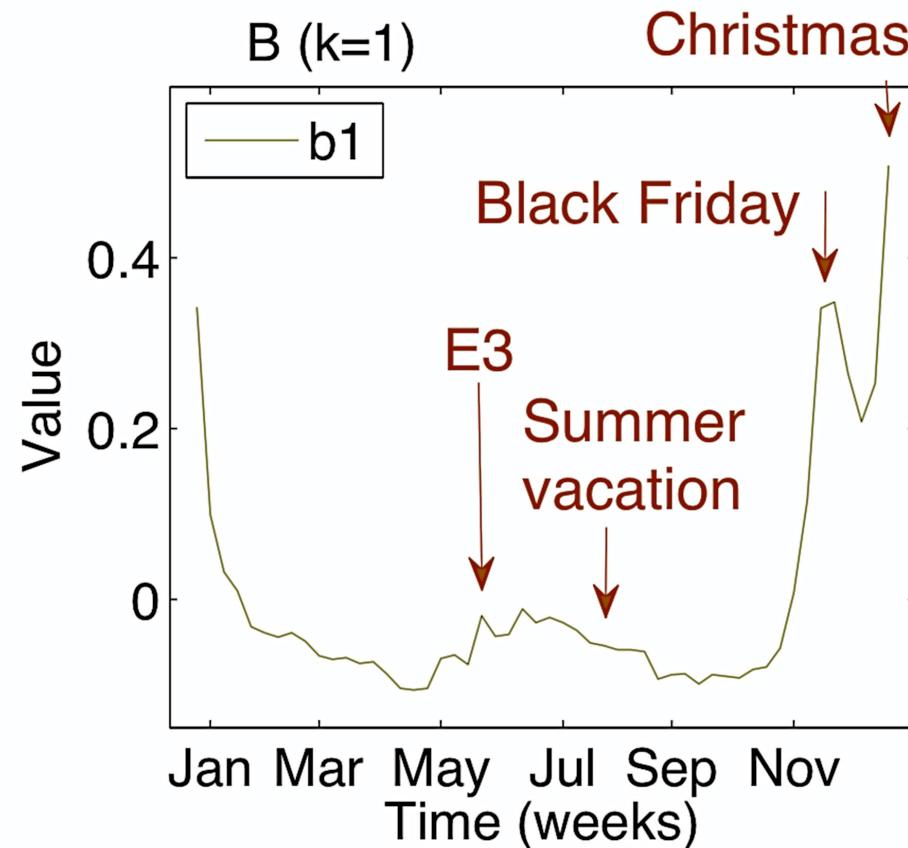
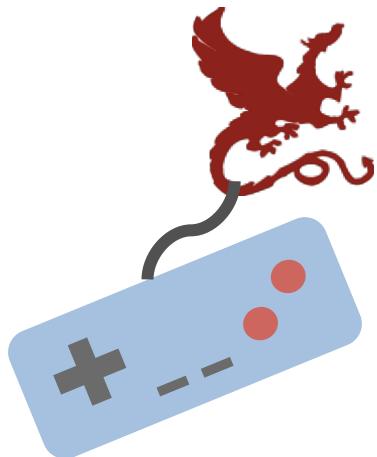
Q1 (games)

Any seasonal events?





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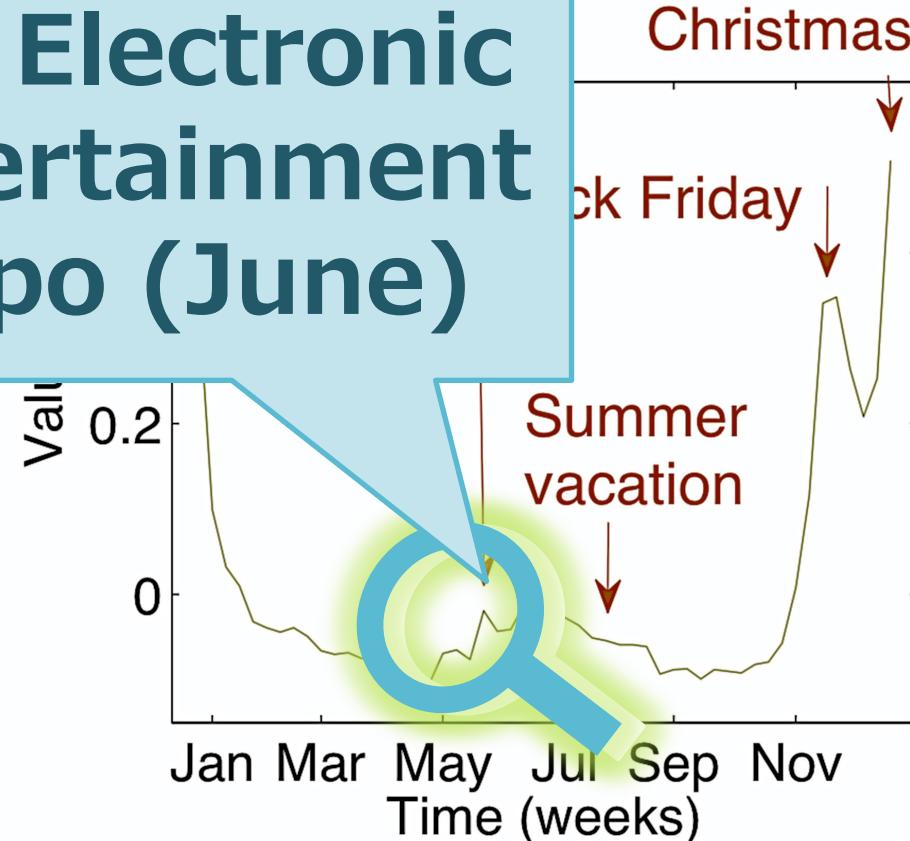
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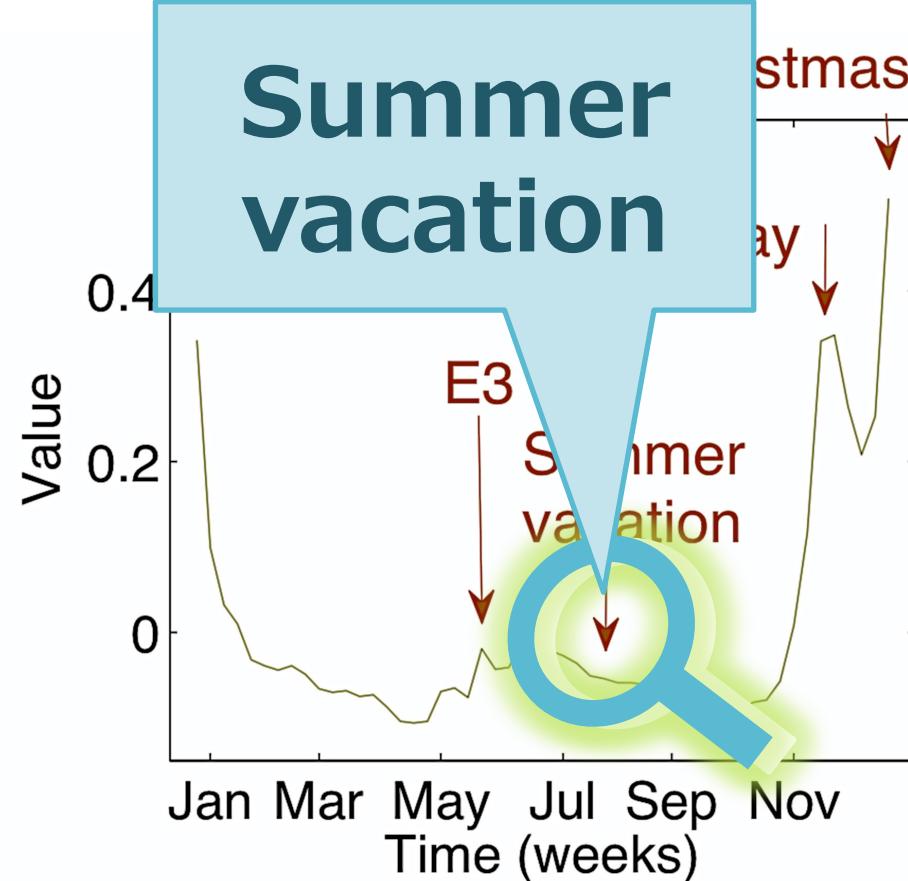
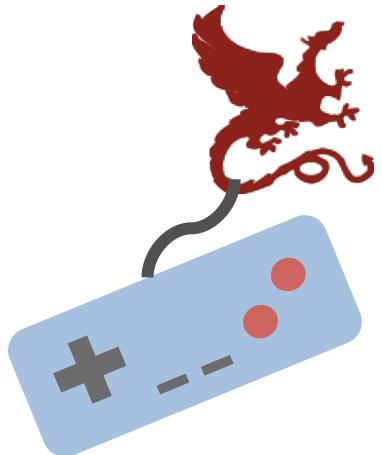


E3: Electronic
Entertainment
Expo (June)



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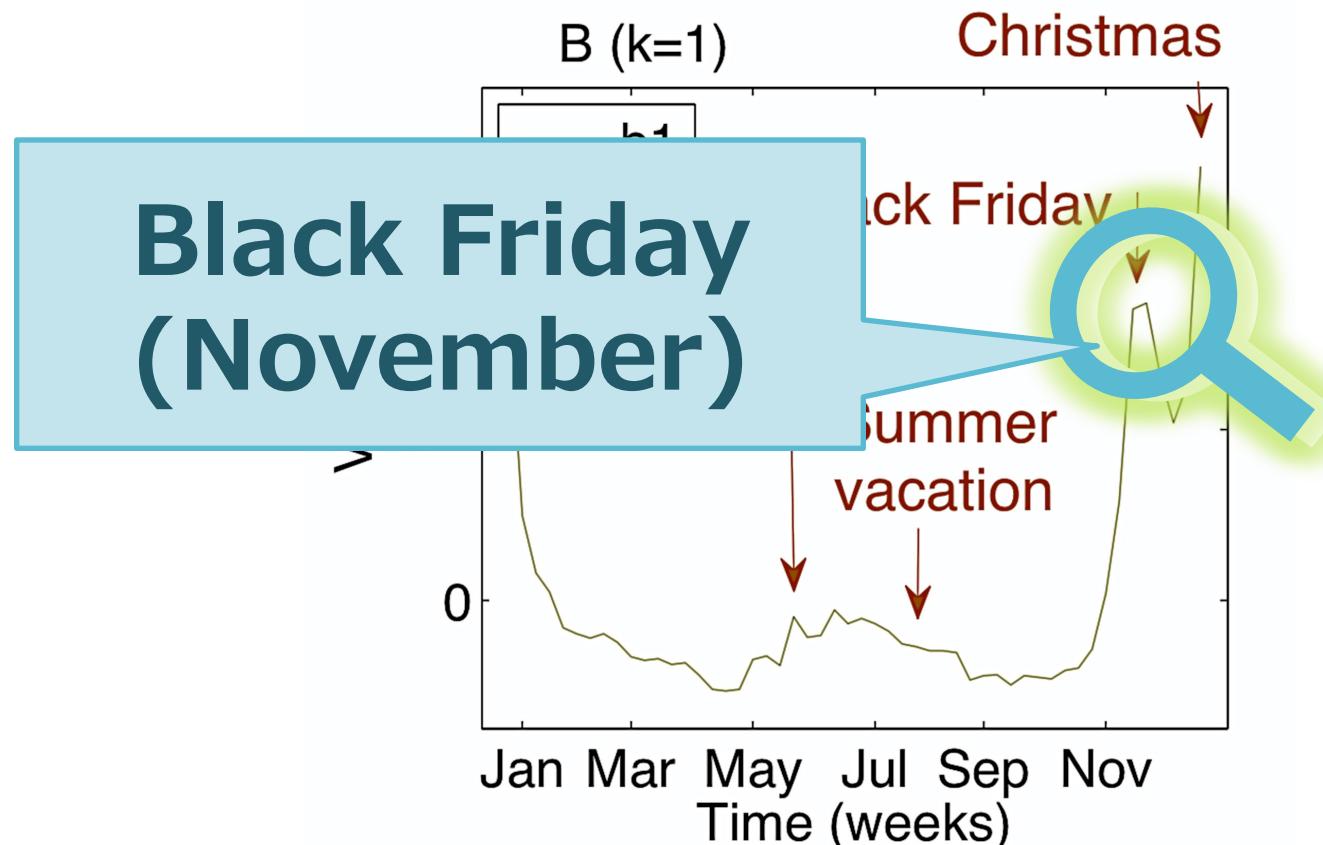
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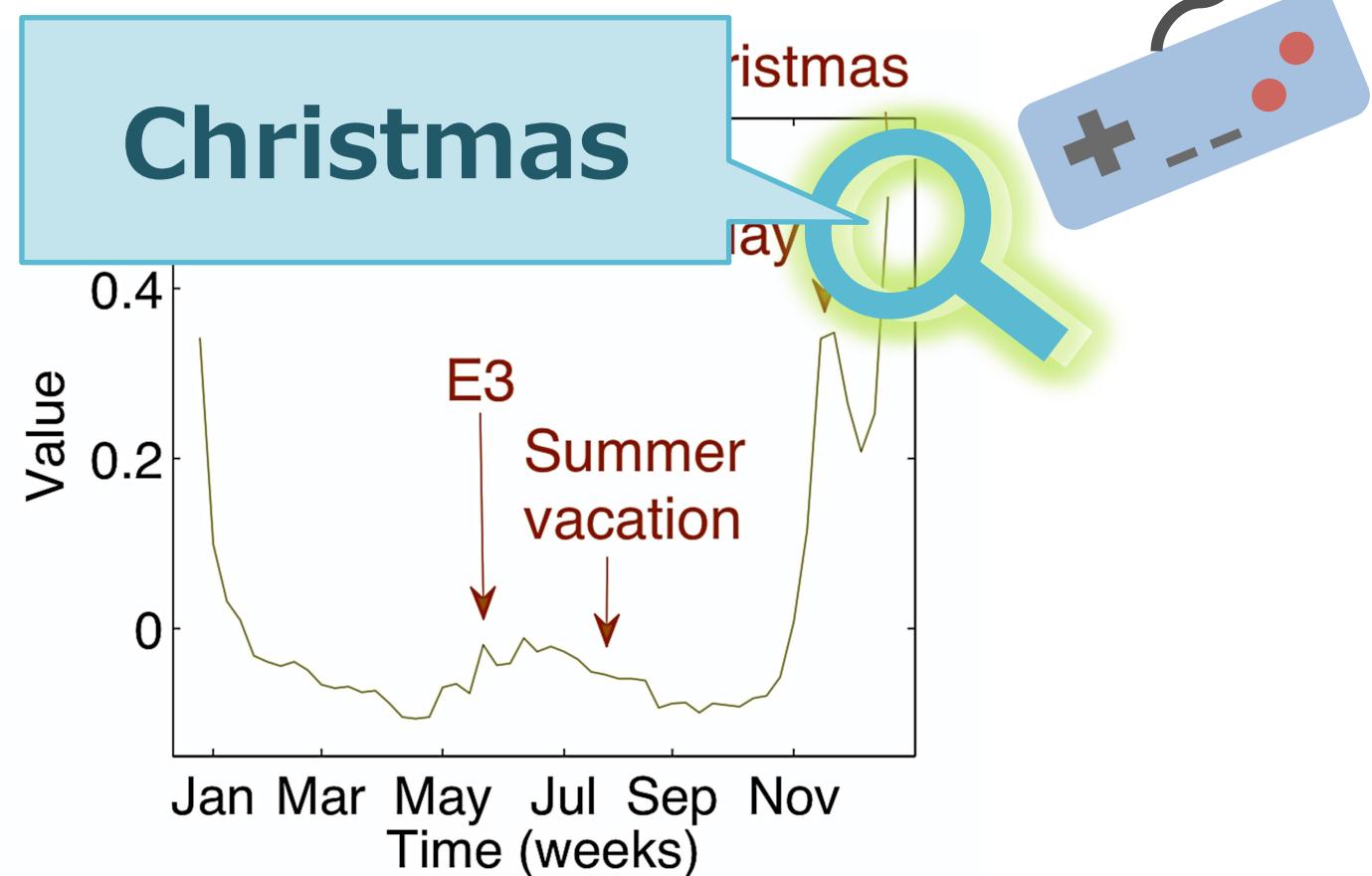
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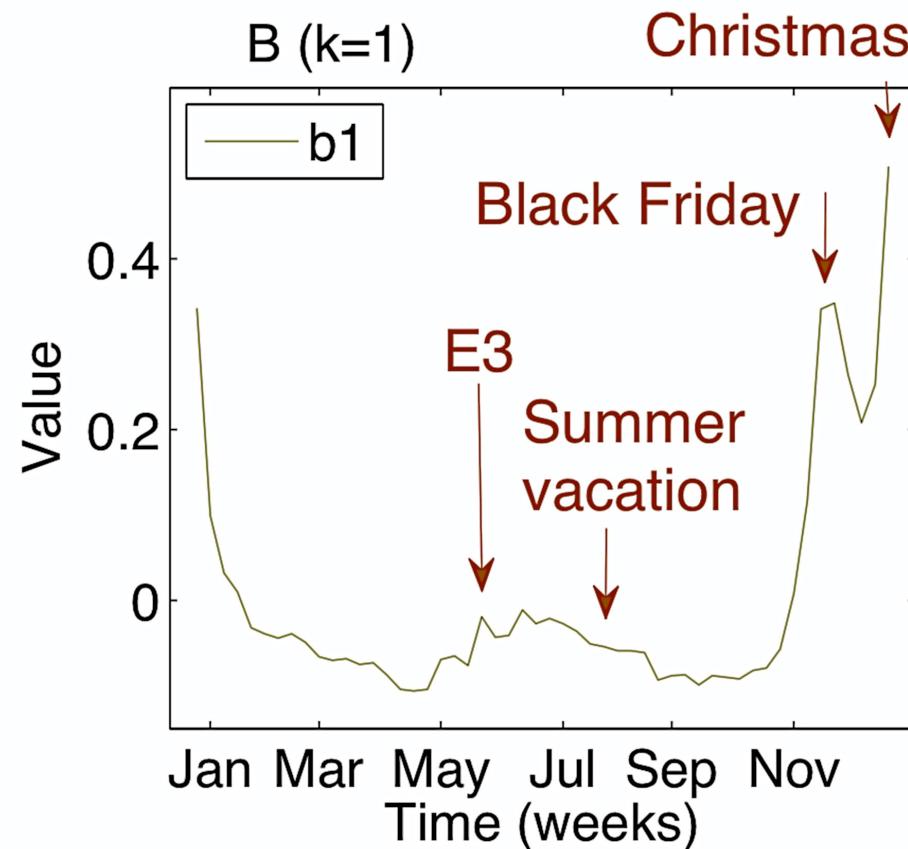
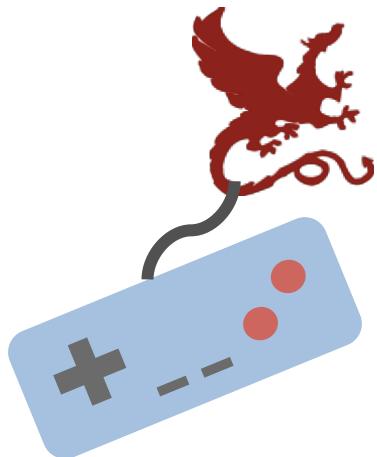
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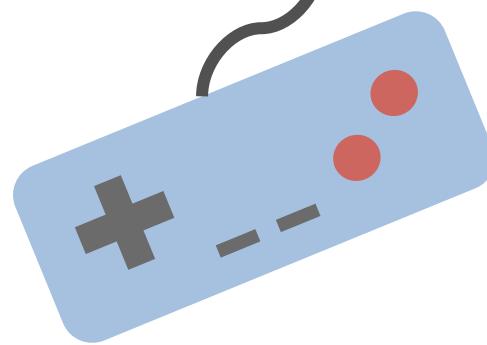


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Q2

Q3



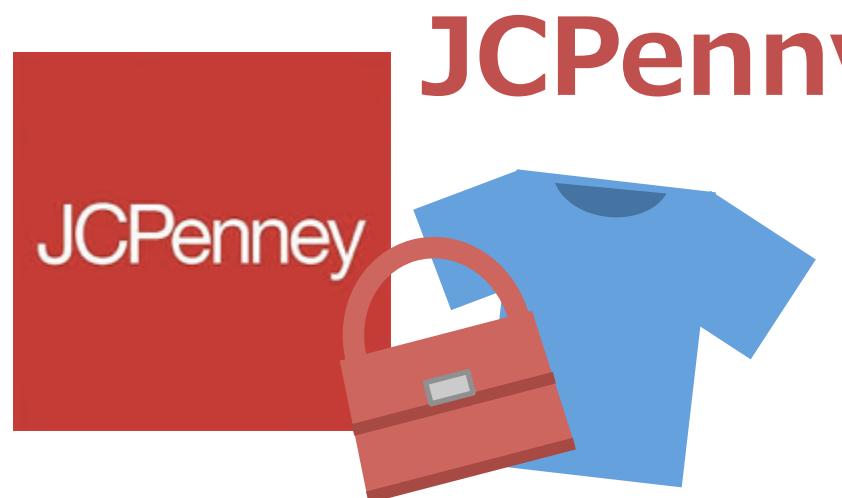


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Q2 (apparels)

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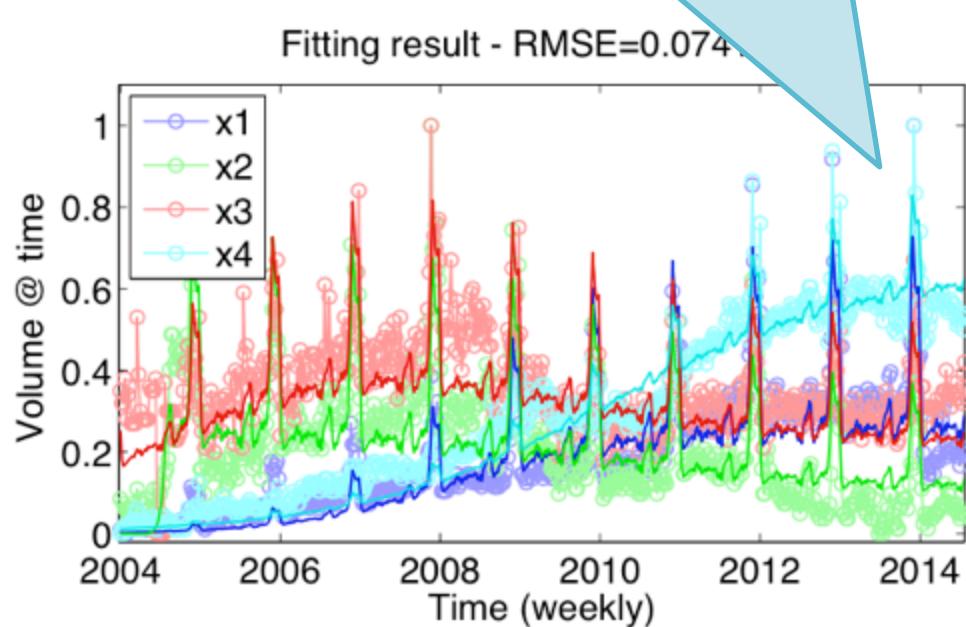
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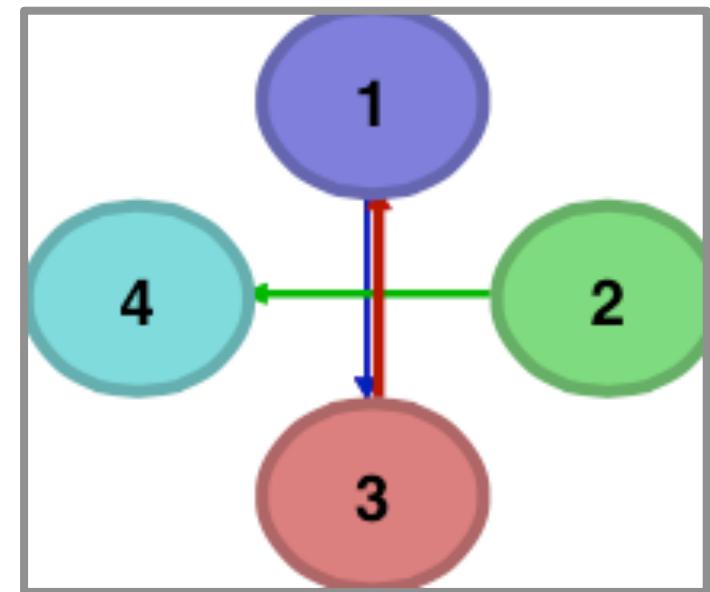


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A2. Forever21!



Forever21



Kohls

JCPenney

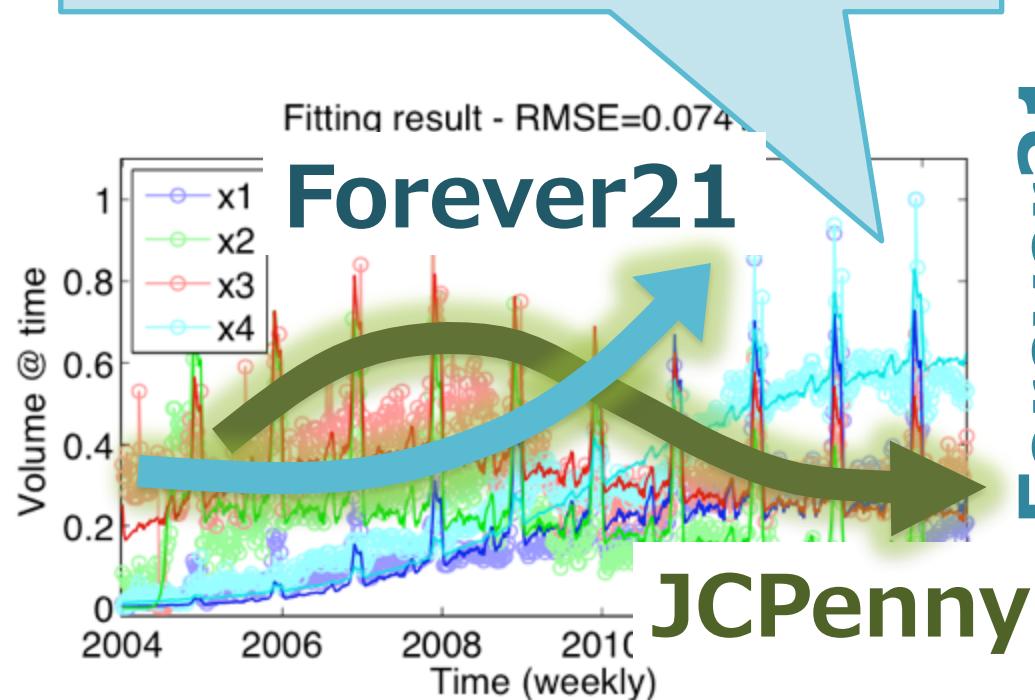
Nordstrom

EcoWeb: Interaction network

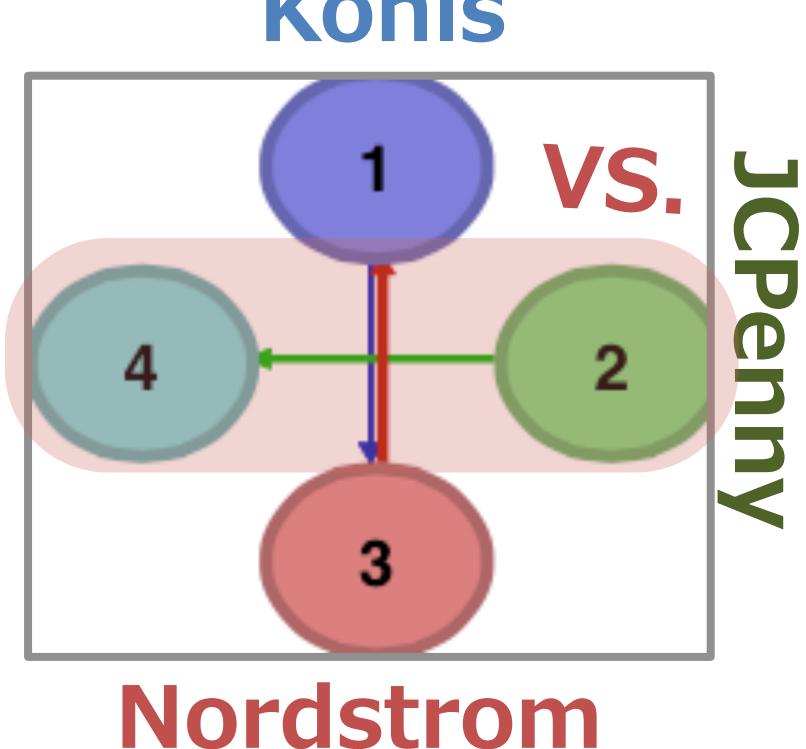


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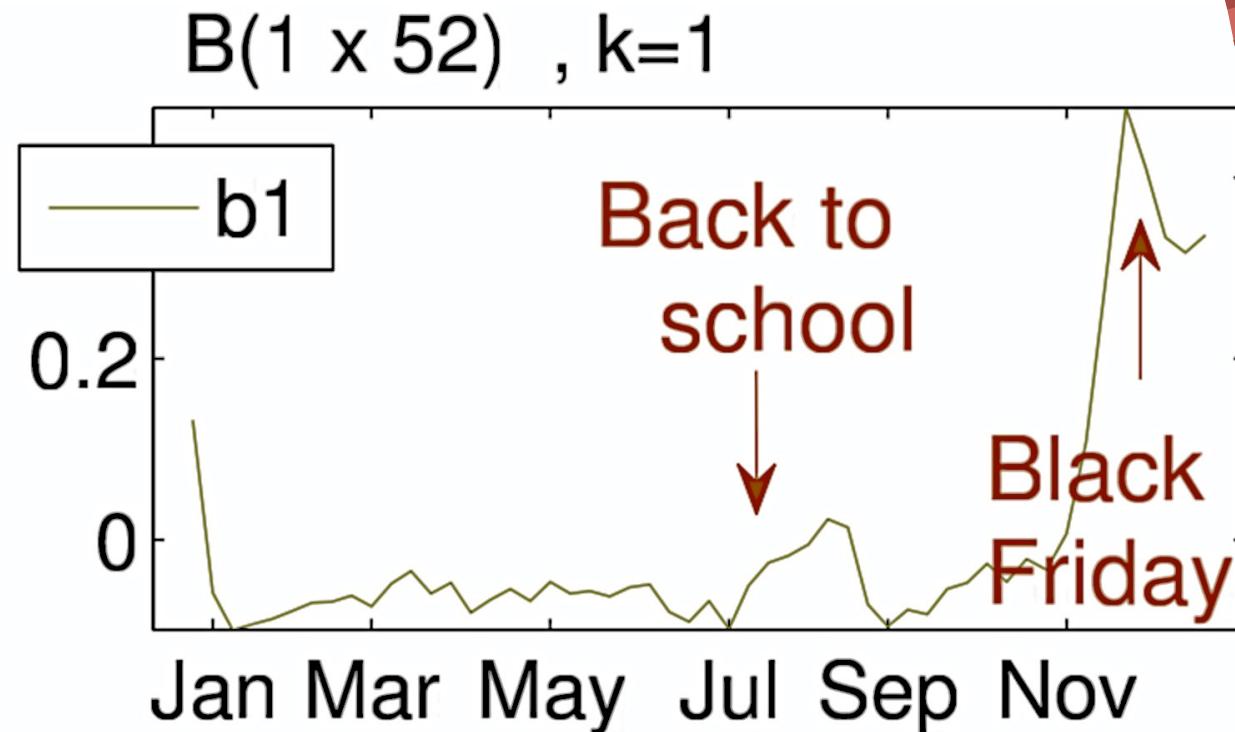
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EcoWeb: seasonal component



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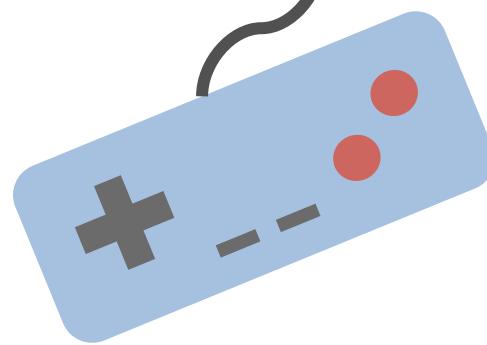


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Q1

Q2

Q3





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Q3 (retails)

Any patterns/trends?

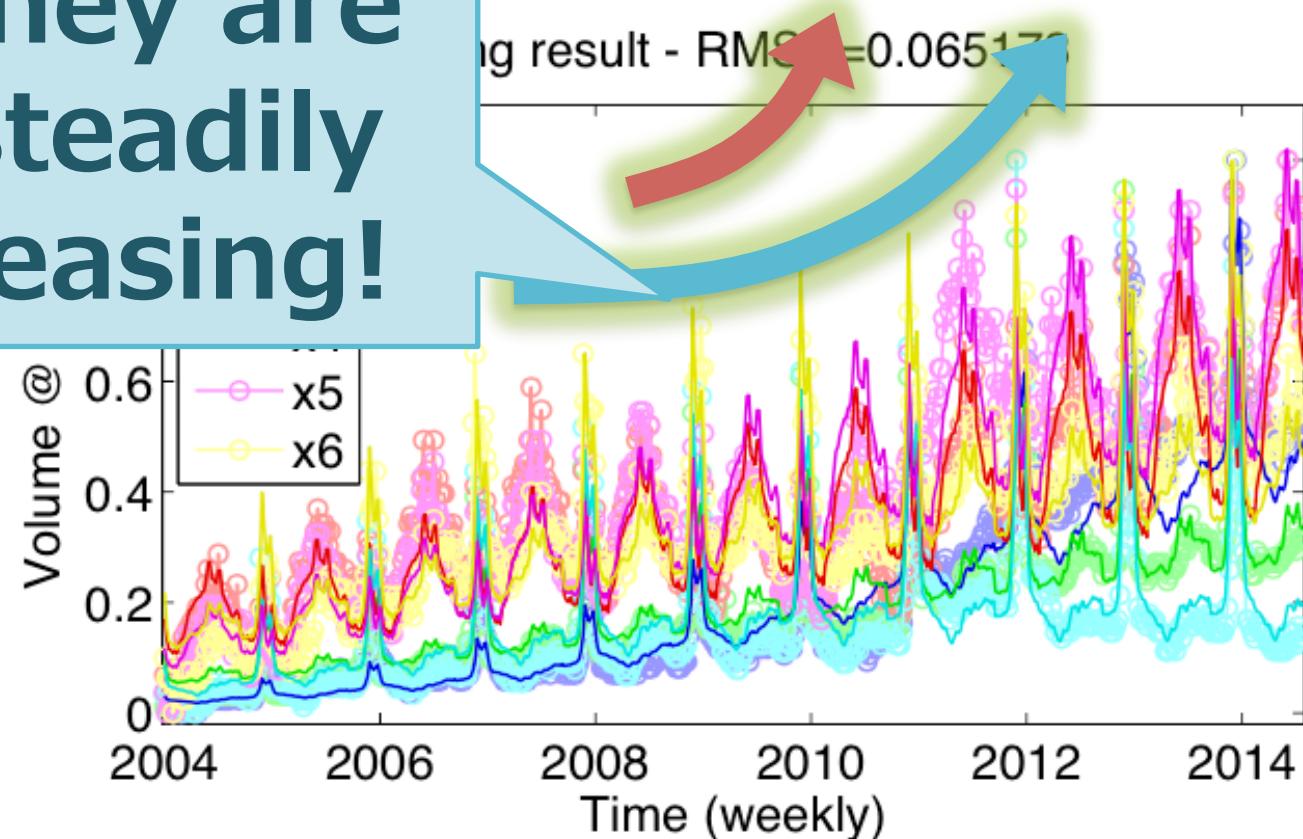




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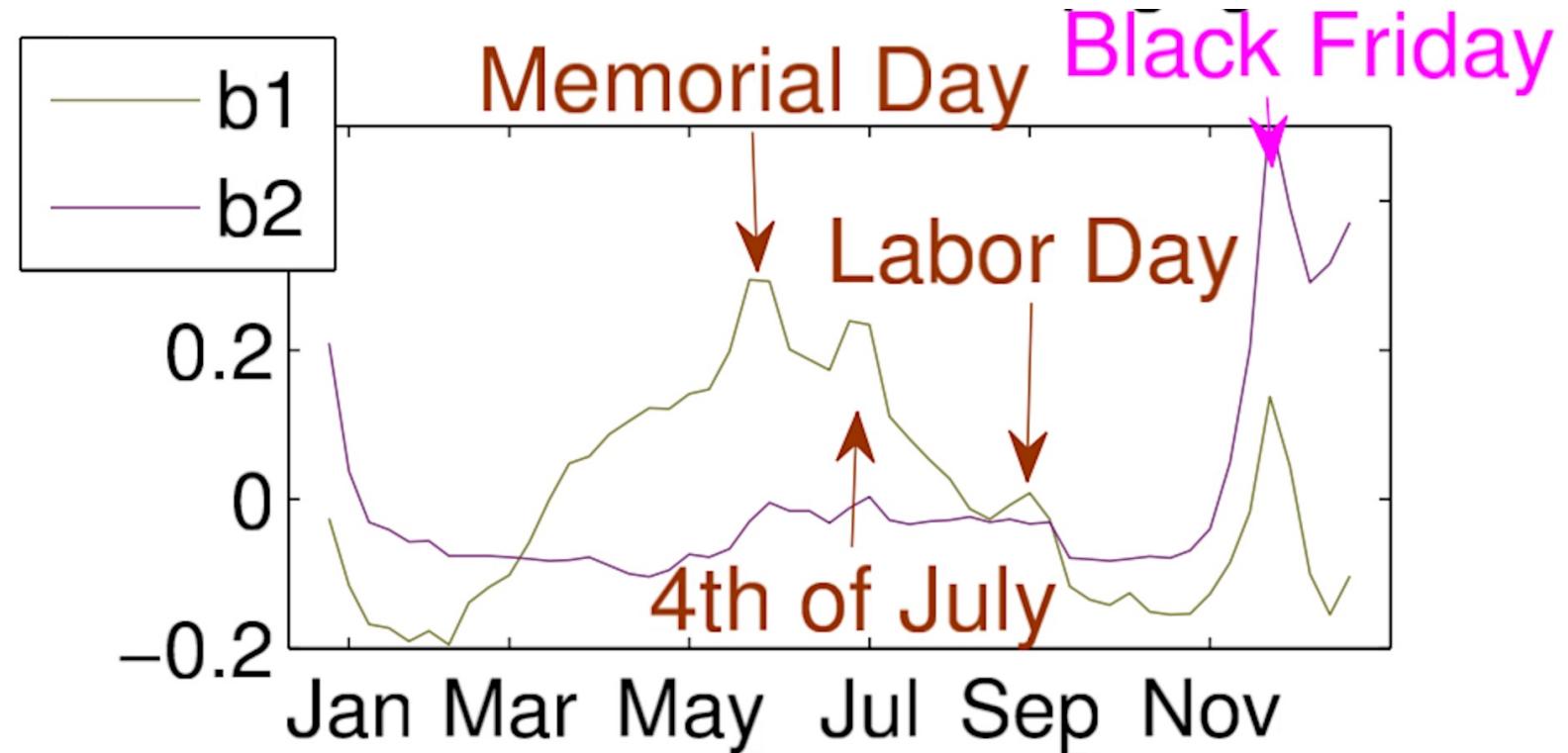
A. They are all steadily increasing!



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



Modeling power of EcoWeb 2 seasonal components





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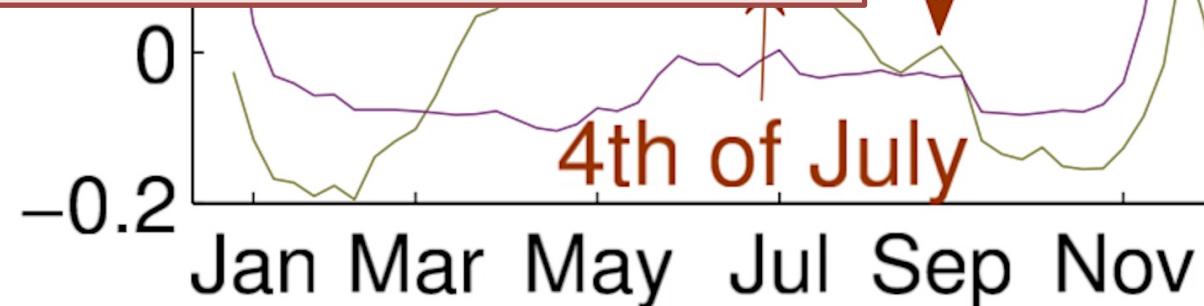


2nd quarter sales growth

Black Friday sale

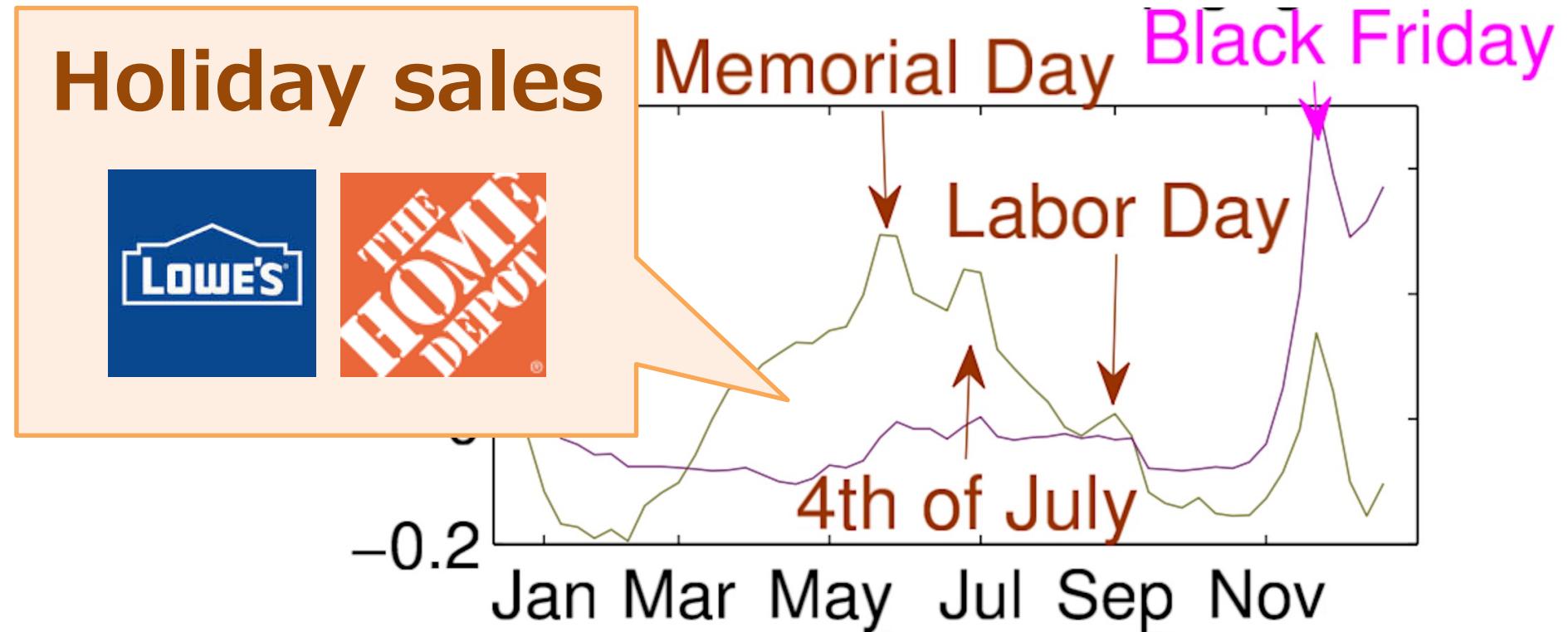


Black Friday





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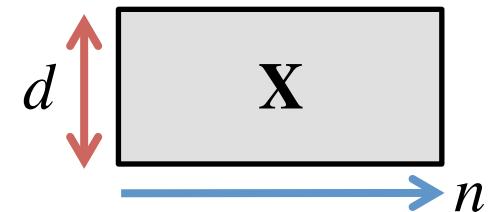




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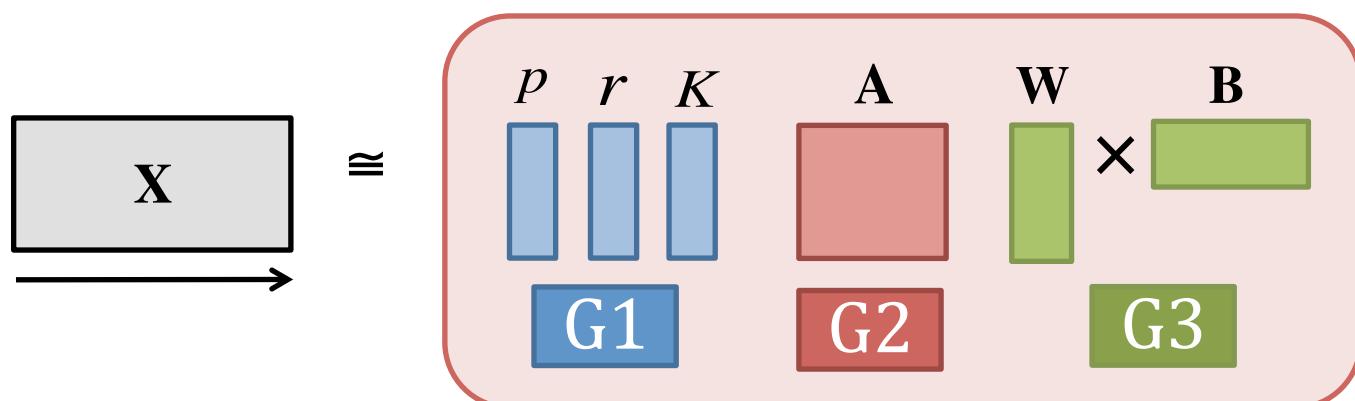
Given: Co-evolving online activities

X (activity \times time)



Find: Compact description of X

EcoWeb

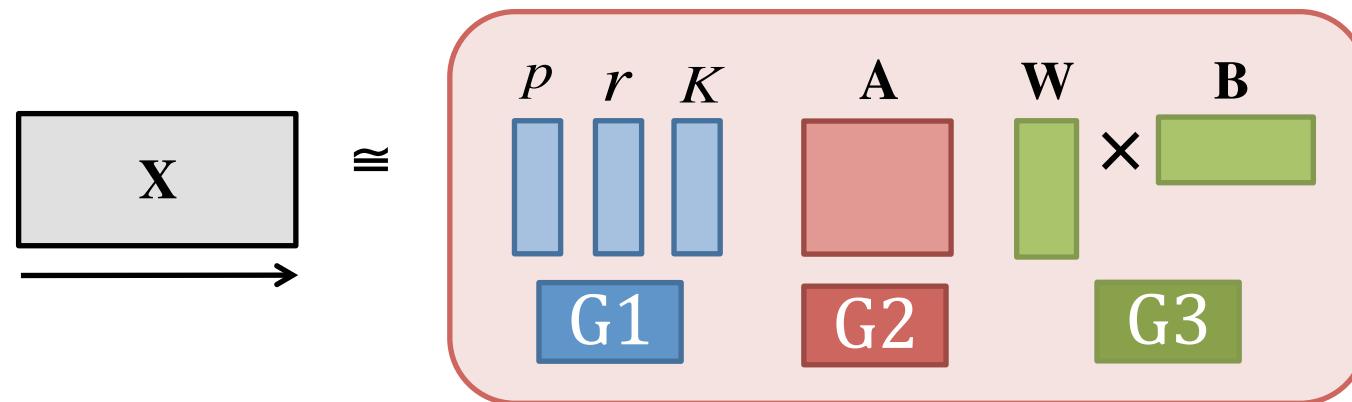




EcoWeb: Main idea

Q. How can we describe the evolutions of X ?

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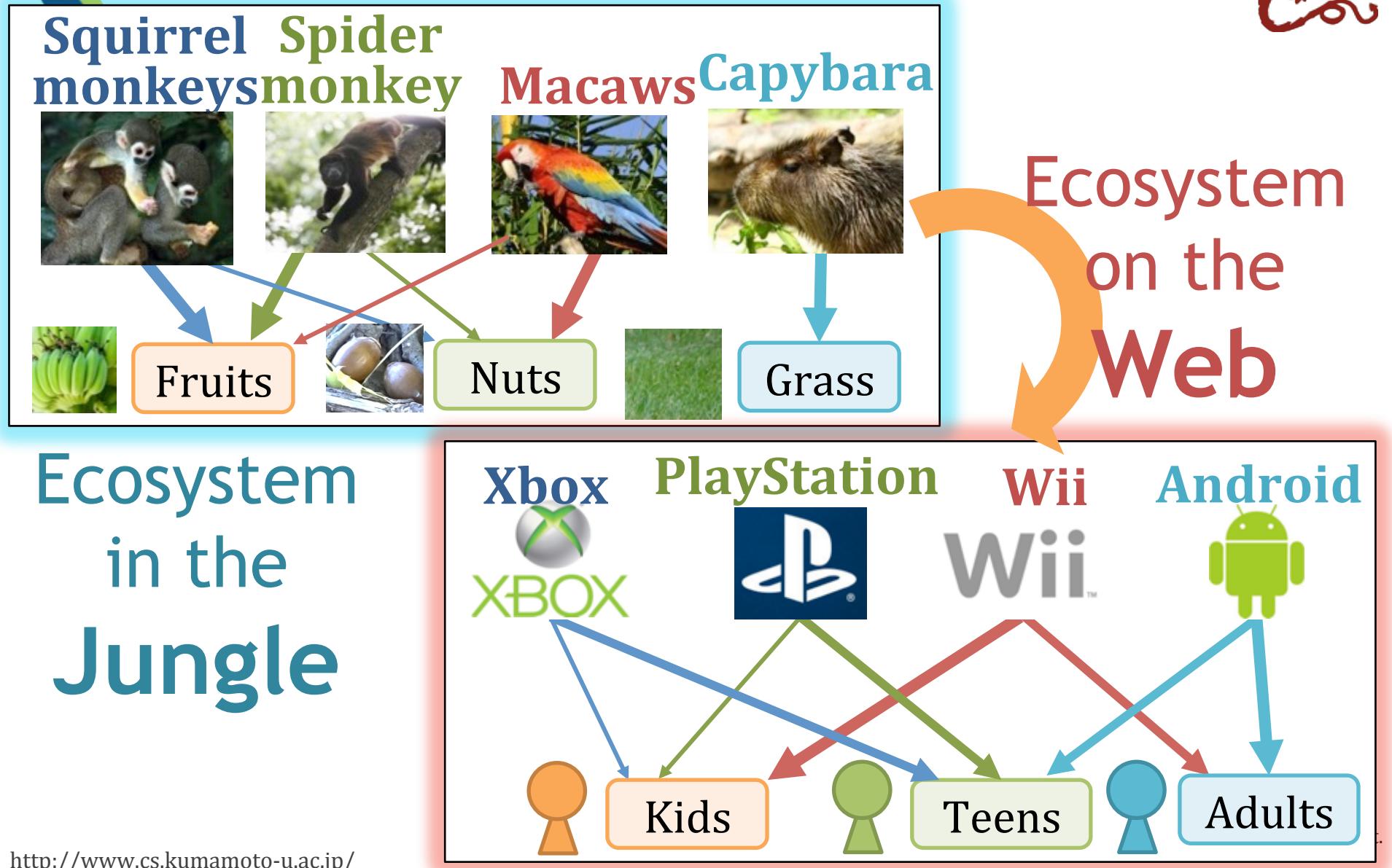


A. The Web as a jungle!

- “Virtual species” living on the Web
- Interacting with other species (activities)



The Web as a jungle





Ecosystem on the Web

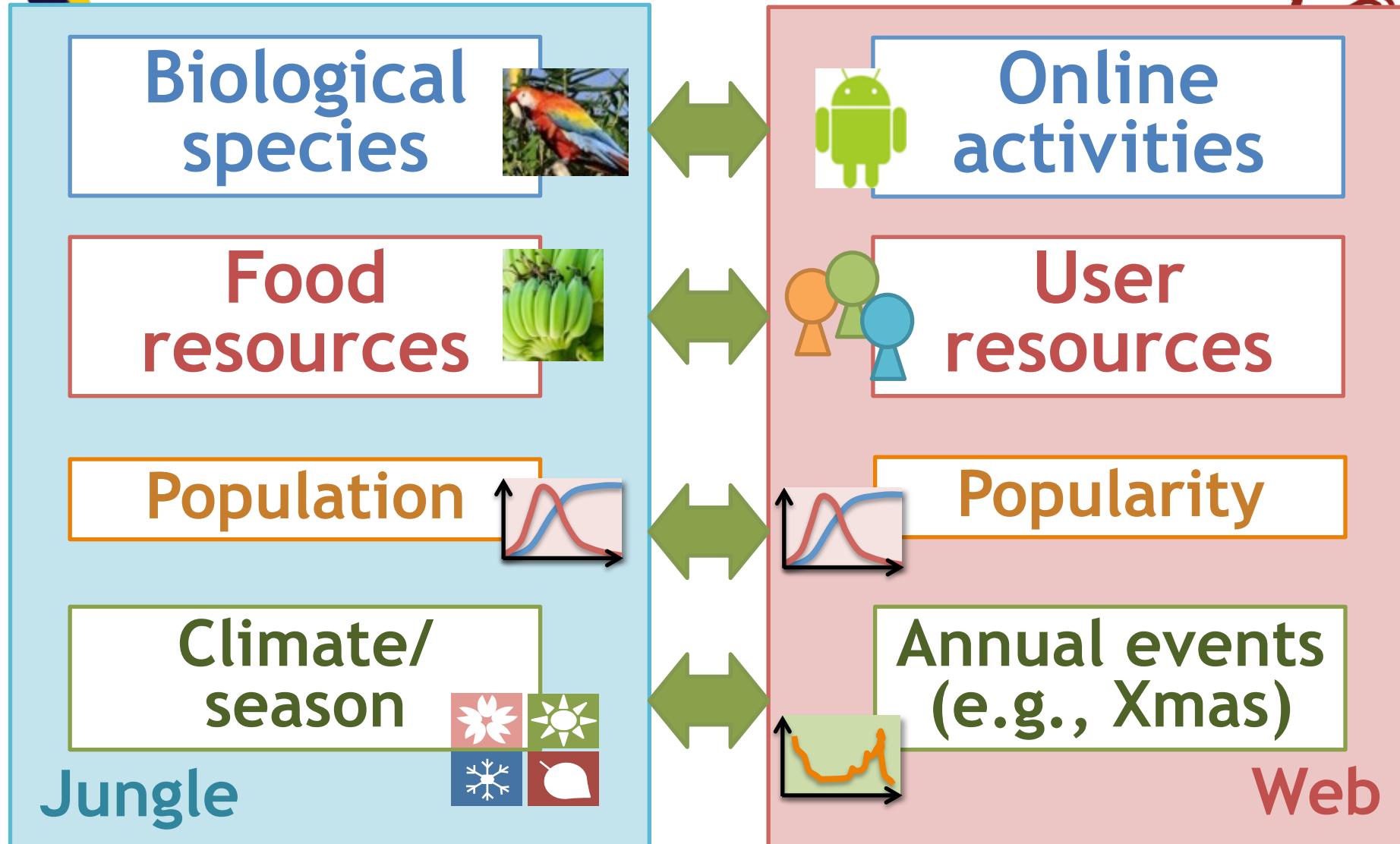
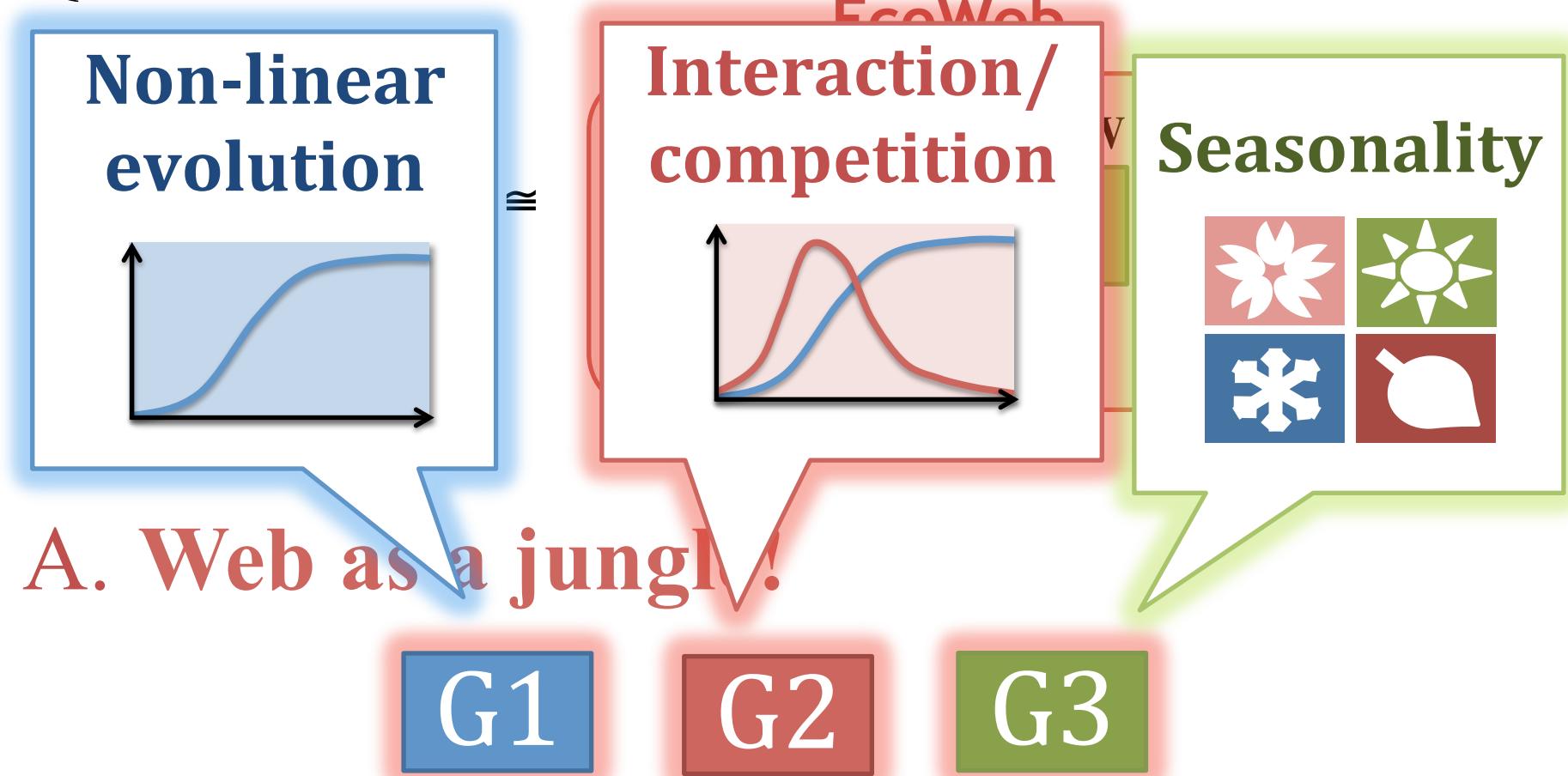


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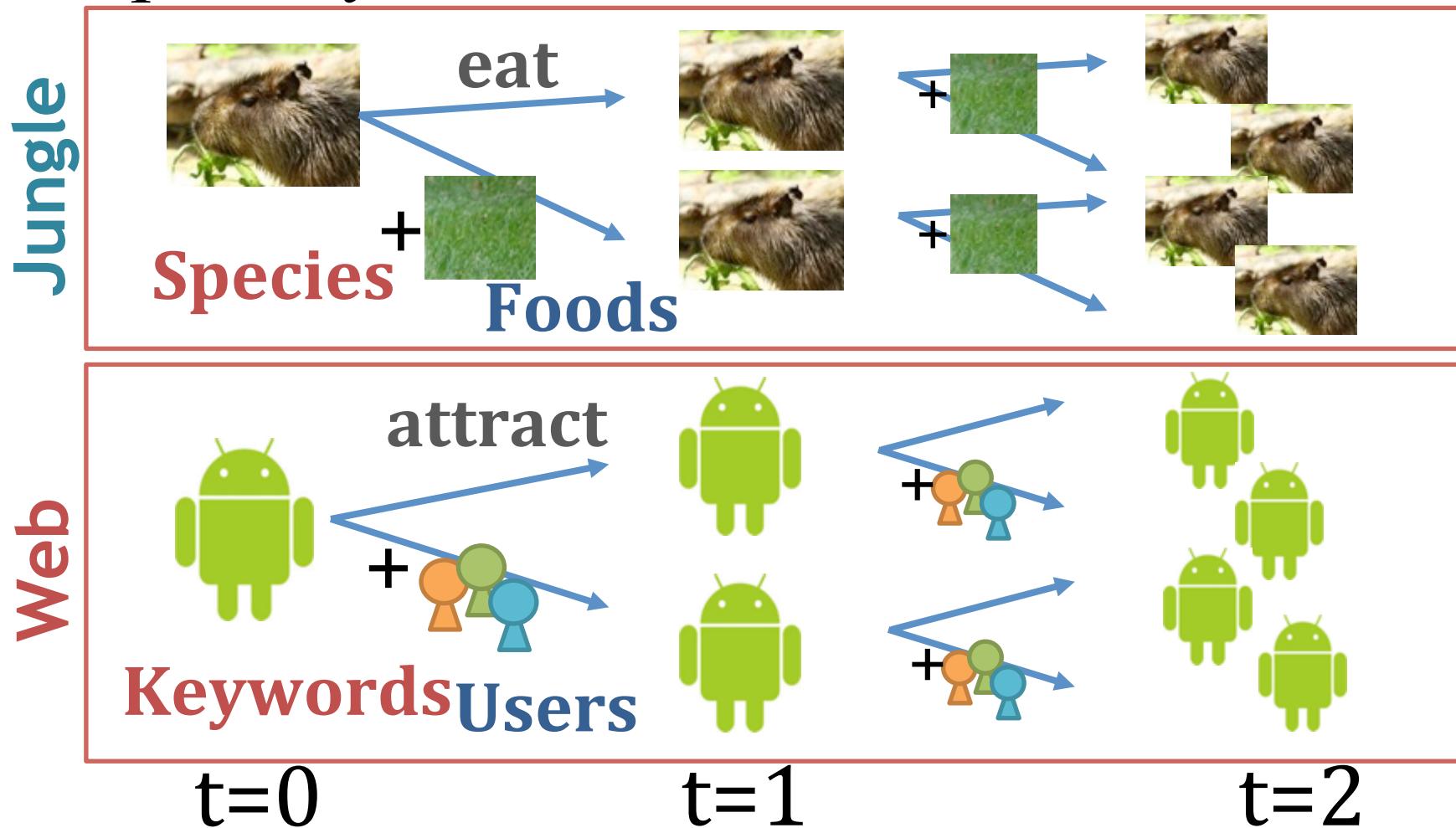
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G1: EcoWeb-individual

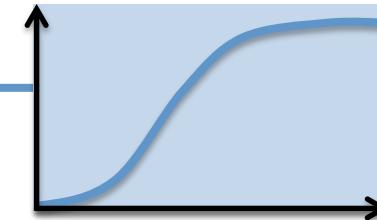
Popularity size increases over time





G1: EcoWeb-individual

Non-linear evolution of a single keyword



Popularity size

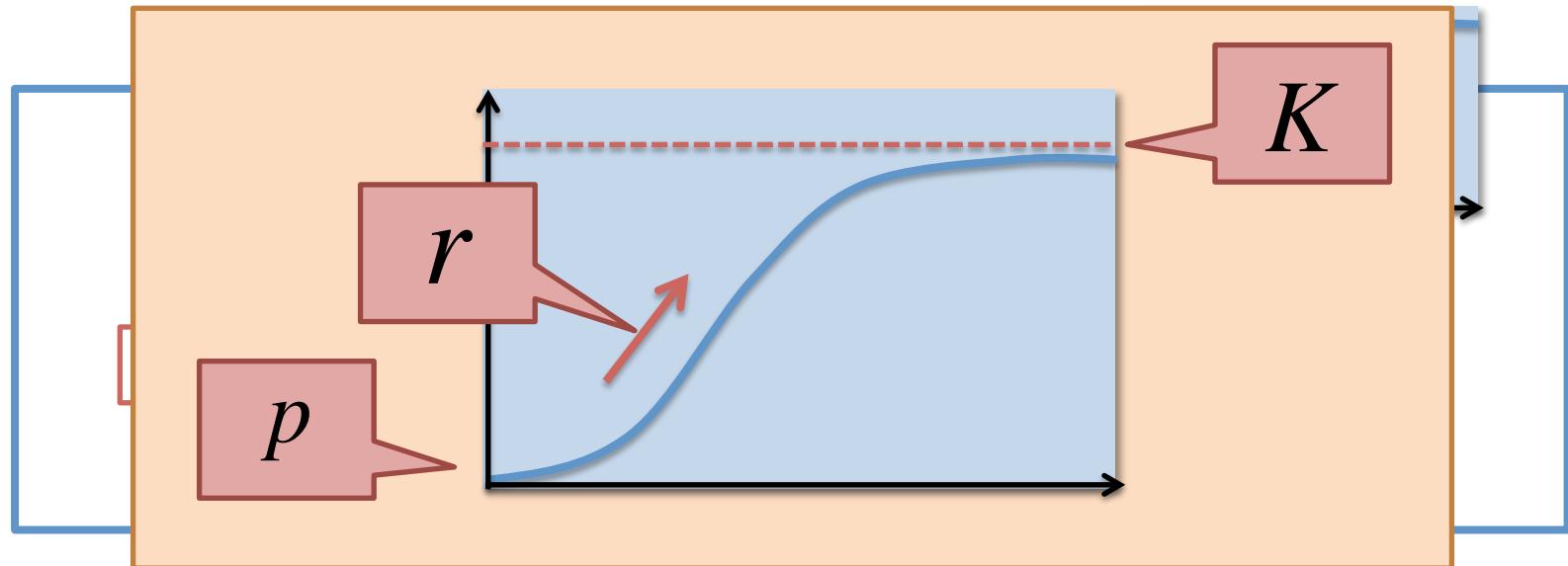
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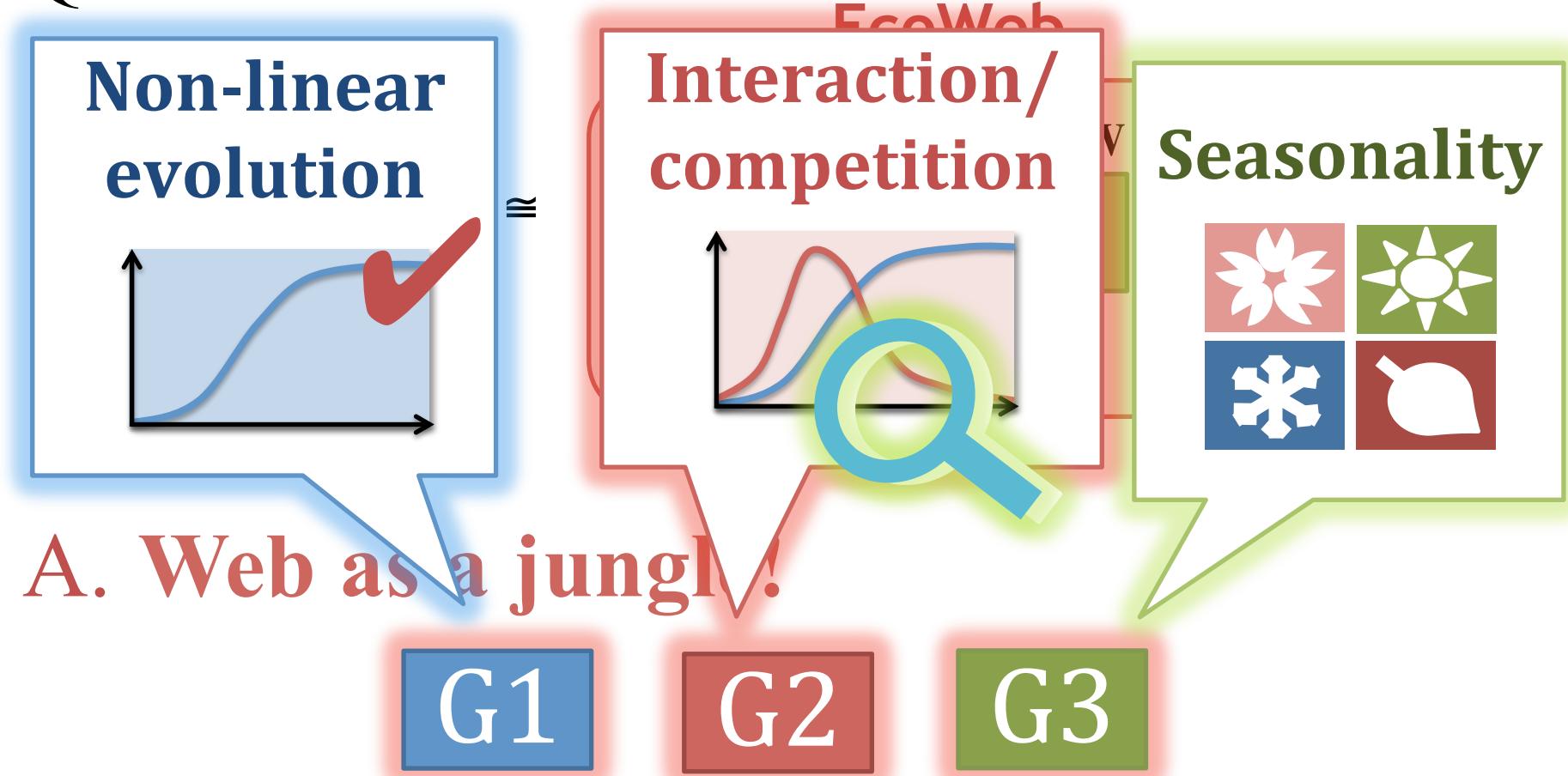


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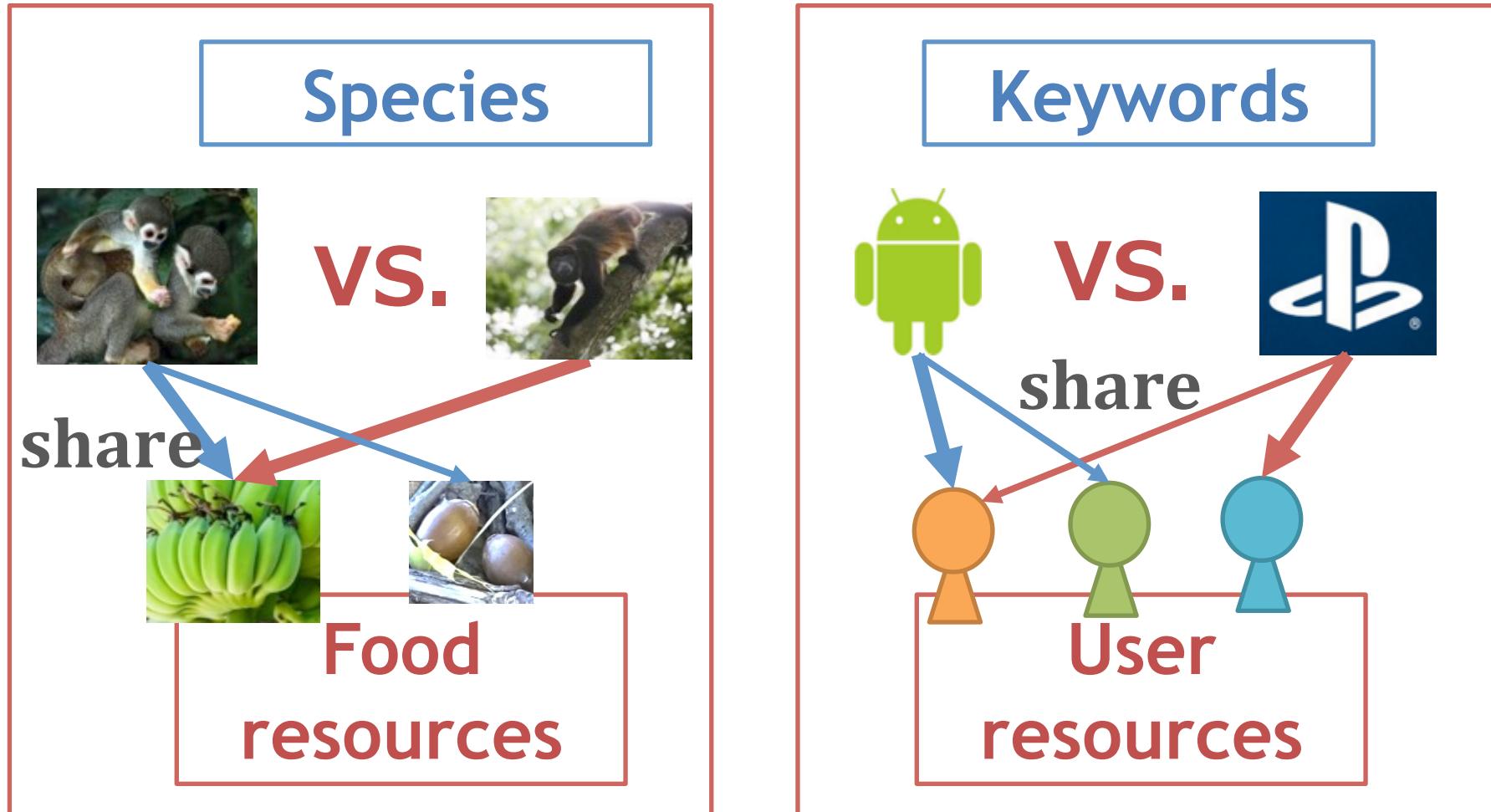
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G2: EcoWeb-interaction

Interaction between multiple keywords



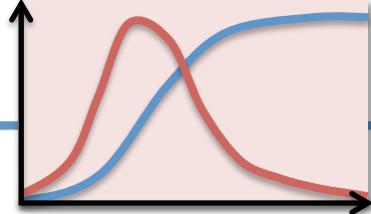


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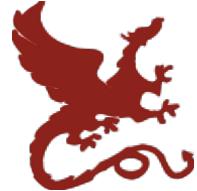
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Popularity of keyword i

Popularity of j

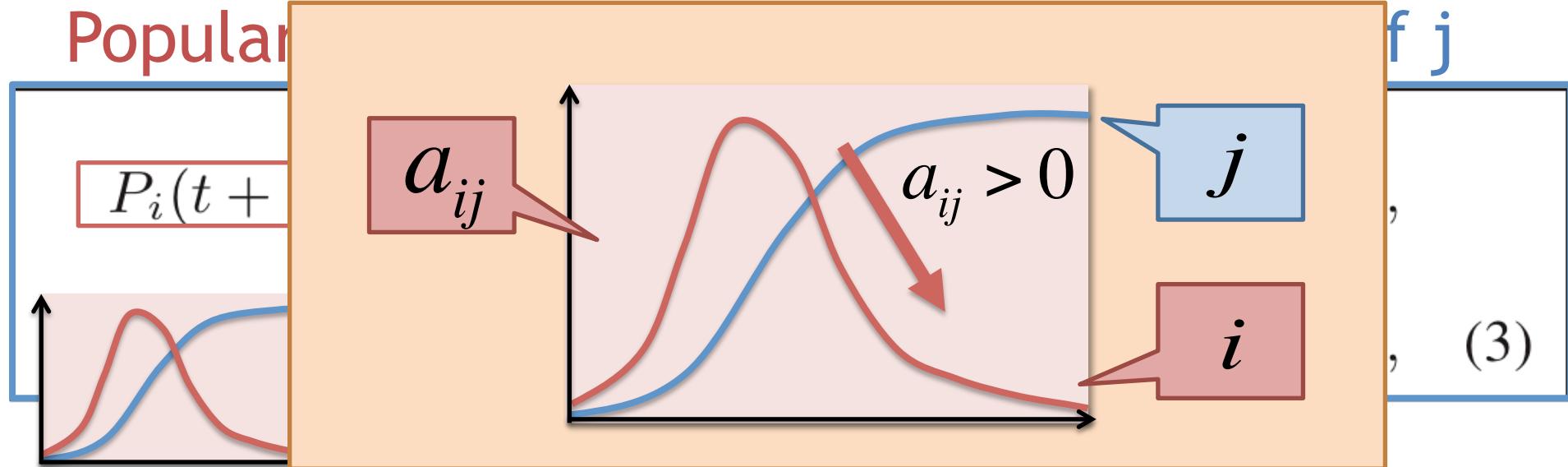
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a_{ij} – Interaction coefficient
– i.e., effect rate of keyword j on i



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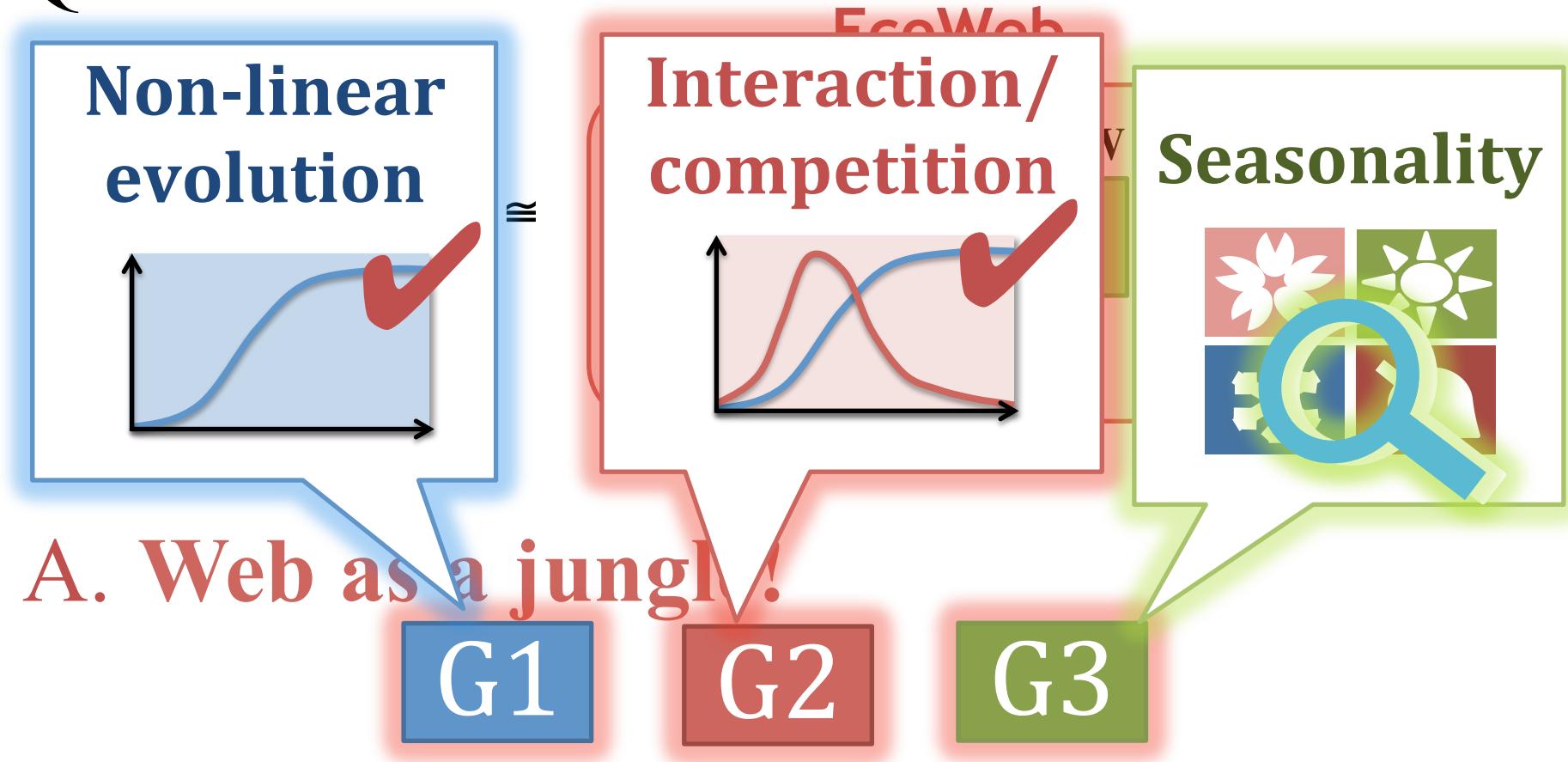


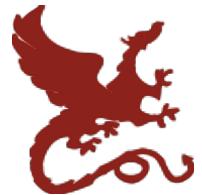
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EcoWeb: Main idea

Q. How can we describe the evolutions of X ?





G3: EcoWeb-seasonality

“Hidden” seasonal activities



Season/
Climate



Seasonal
events



G3: EcoWeb-seasonality

“Hidden” seasonal activities

The diagram illustrates seasonal activity patterns. At the top, there are two images of monkeys and logos for Android, Lowe's, Amazon, and Walmart. Below this, a central box contains the text: "Users change their behavior according to **seasonal events!**". Two line graphs below show seasonal fluctuations. The left graph, labeled "Climate", shows a single broad peak. The right graph, labeled "events", shows multiple sharp peaks. The bottom of the slide features a red banner with the word "Climate" on the left and "events" on the right.

Users change their behavior according to **seasonal events!**

Climate

events



G3: EcoWeb-seasonality

“Hidden” seasonal activities

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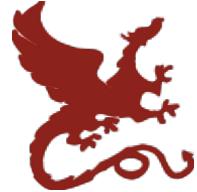
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Seasonal activities of i

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B – Seasonality matrix



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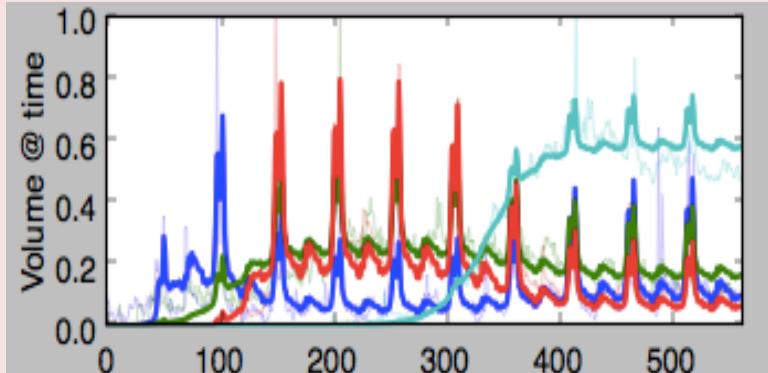
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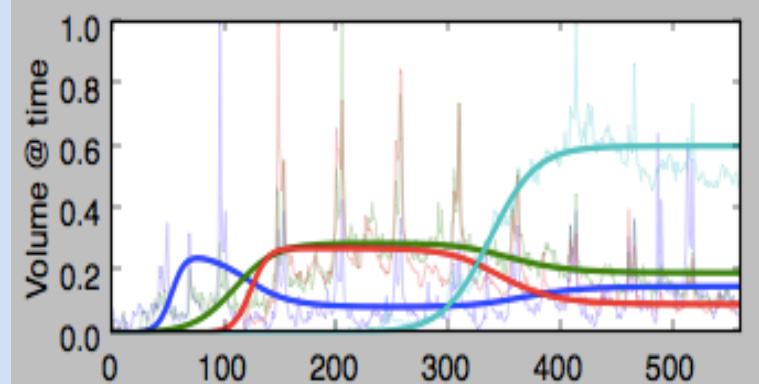
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C: volume

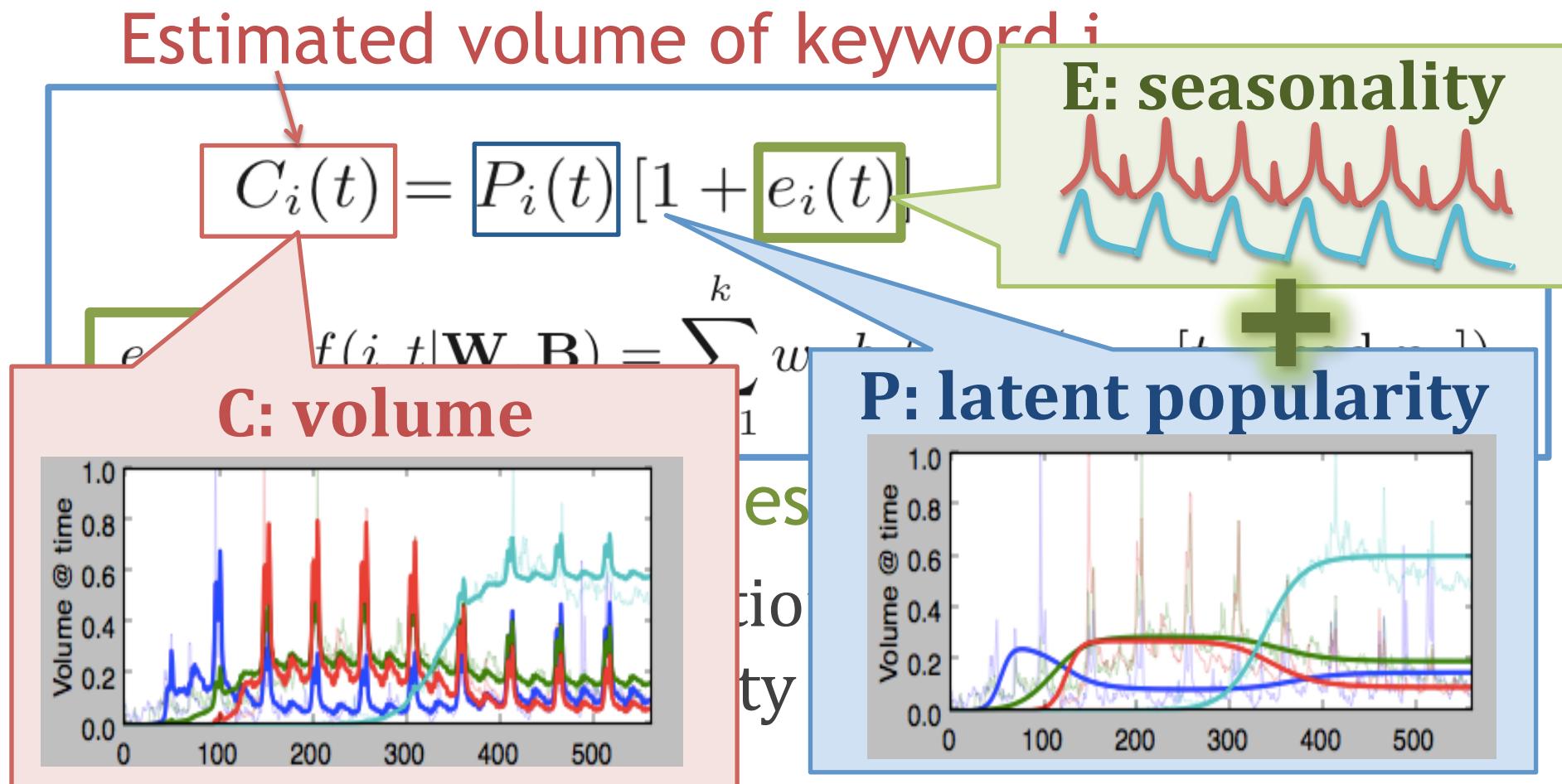


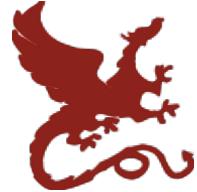
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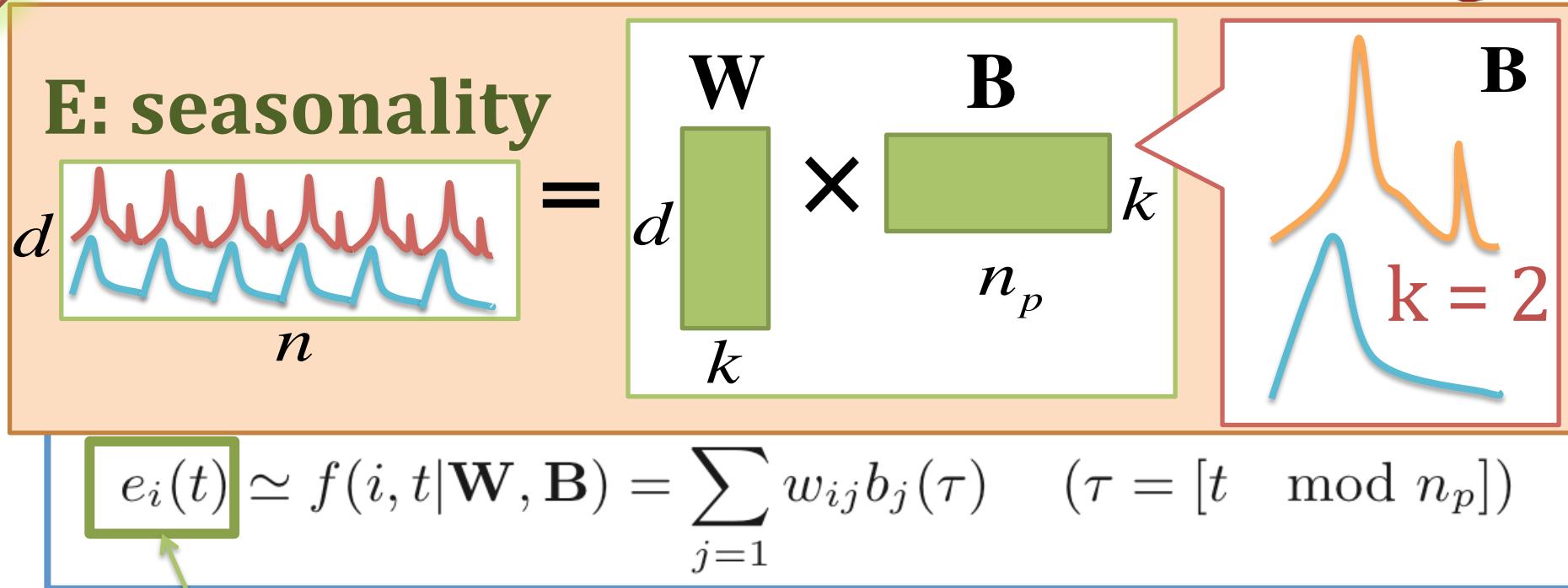
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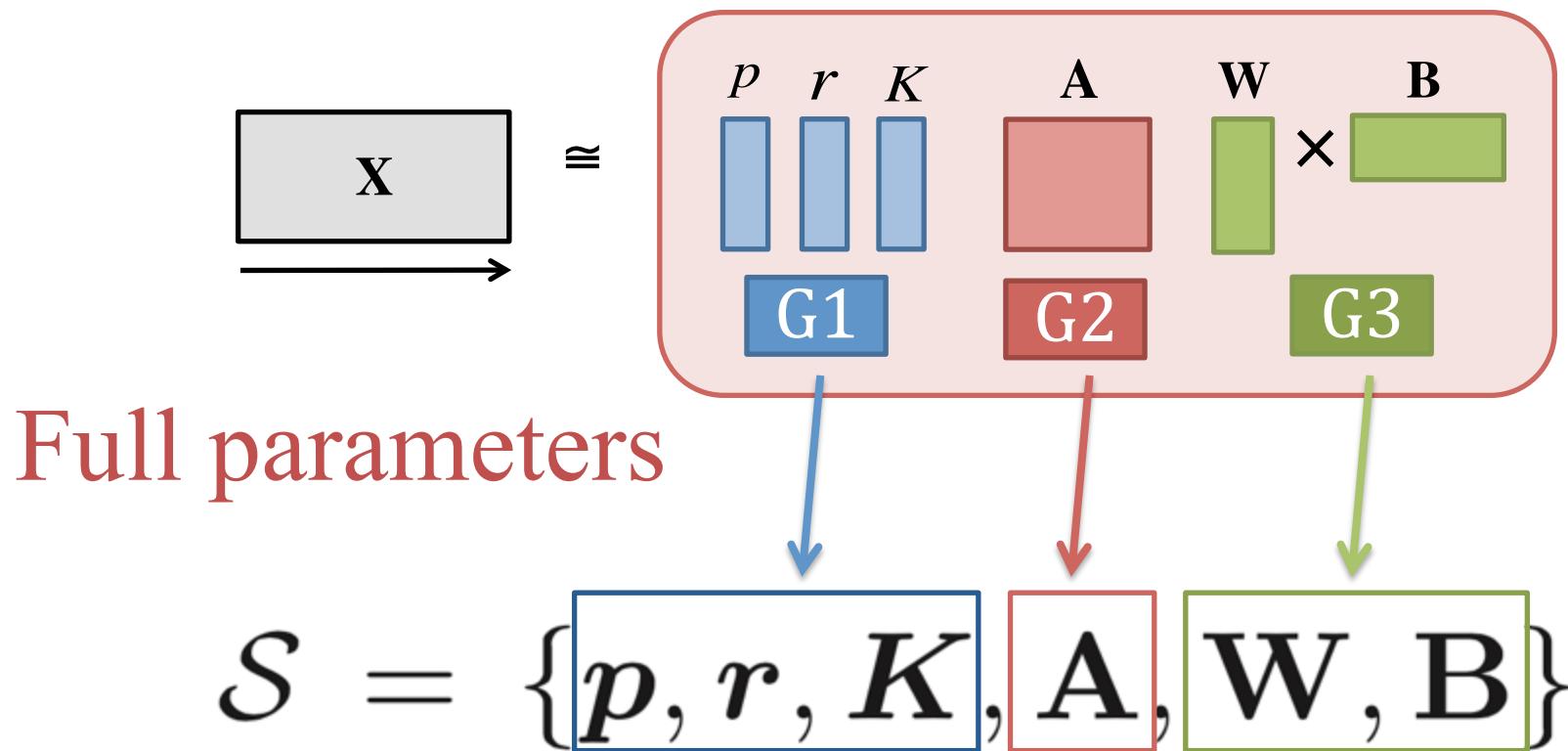
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EcoWeb: Main idea

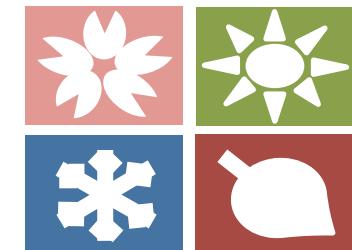
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Algorithms

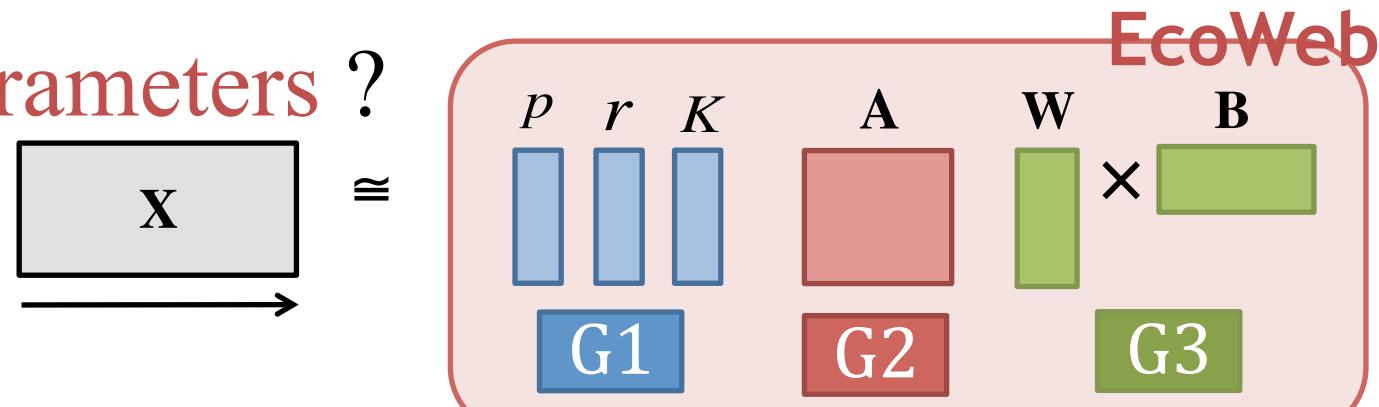
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Idea (1) : Seasonal component analysis

Q2. How can we efficiently estimate

full-parameters ?



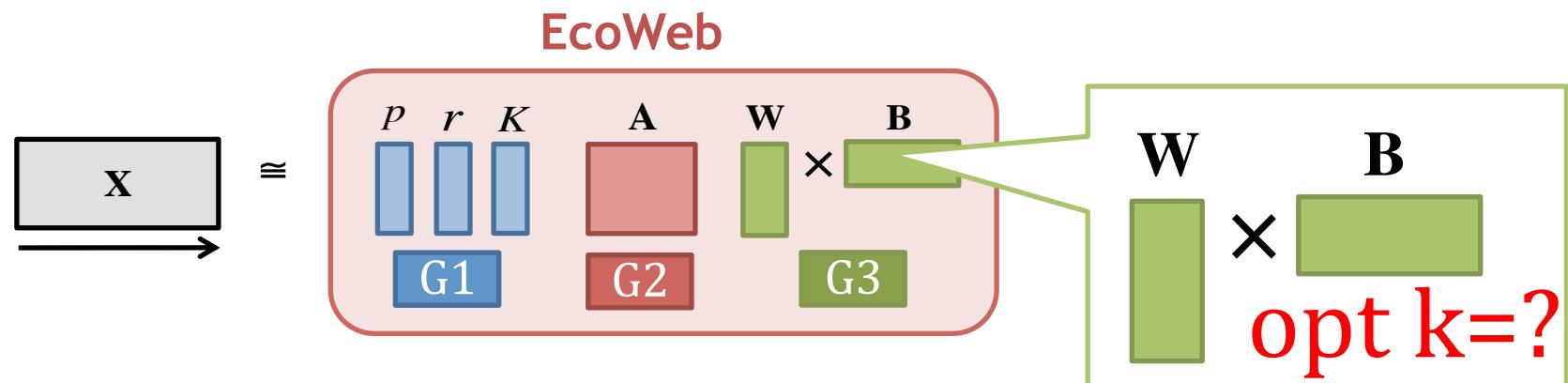
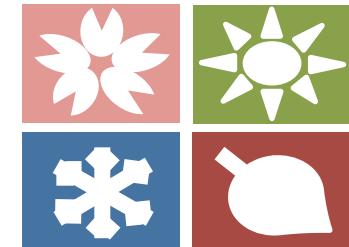
Idea (2): Multi-step fitting



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- b. Automatic component analysis



Idea (1): Seasonal component analysis



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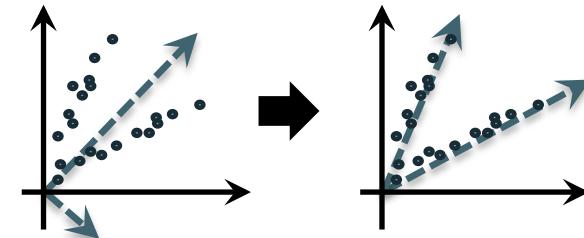
find “1

Details @ part1
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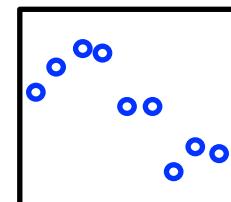


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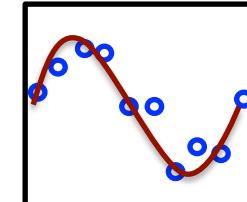
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MDL



Data (X)



Ideal model (M)

Idea (1) :

- a. Seasonal component detection
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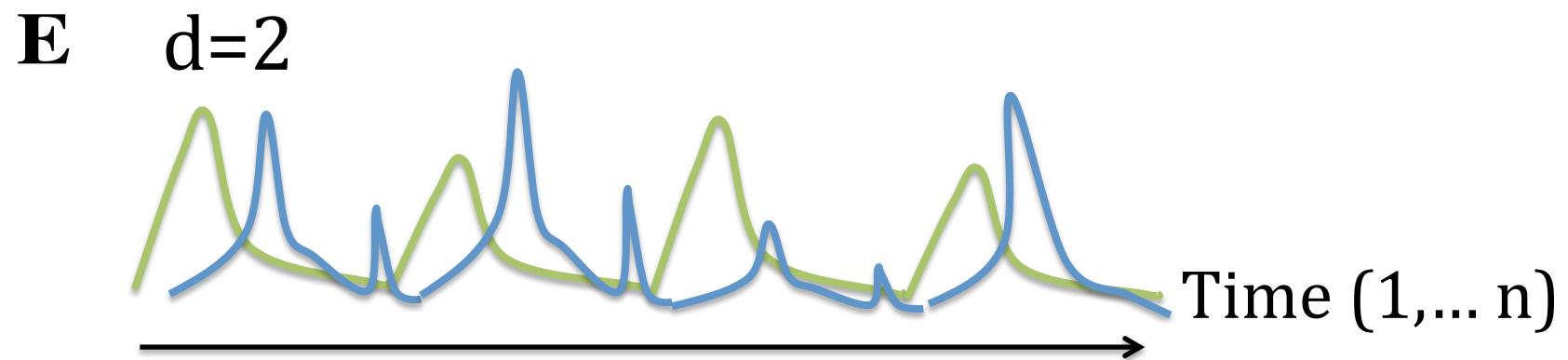
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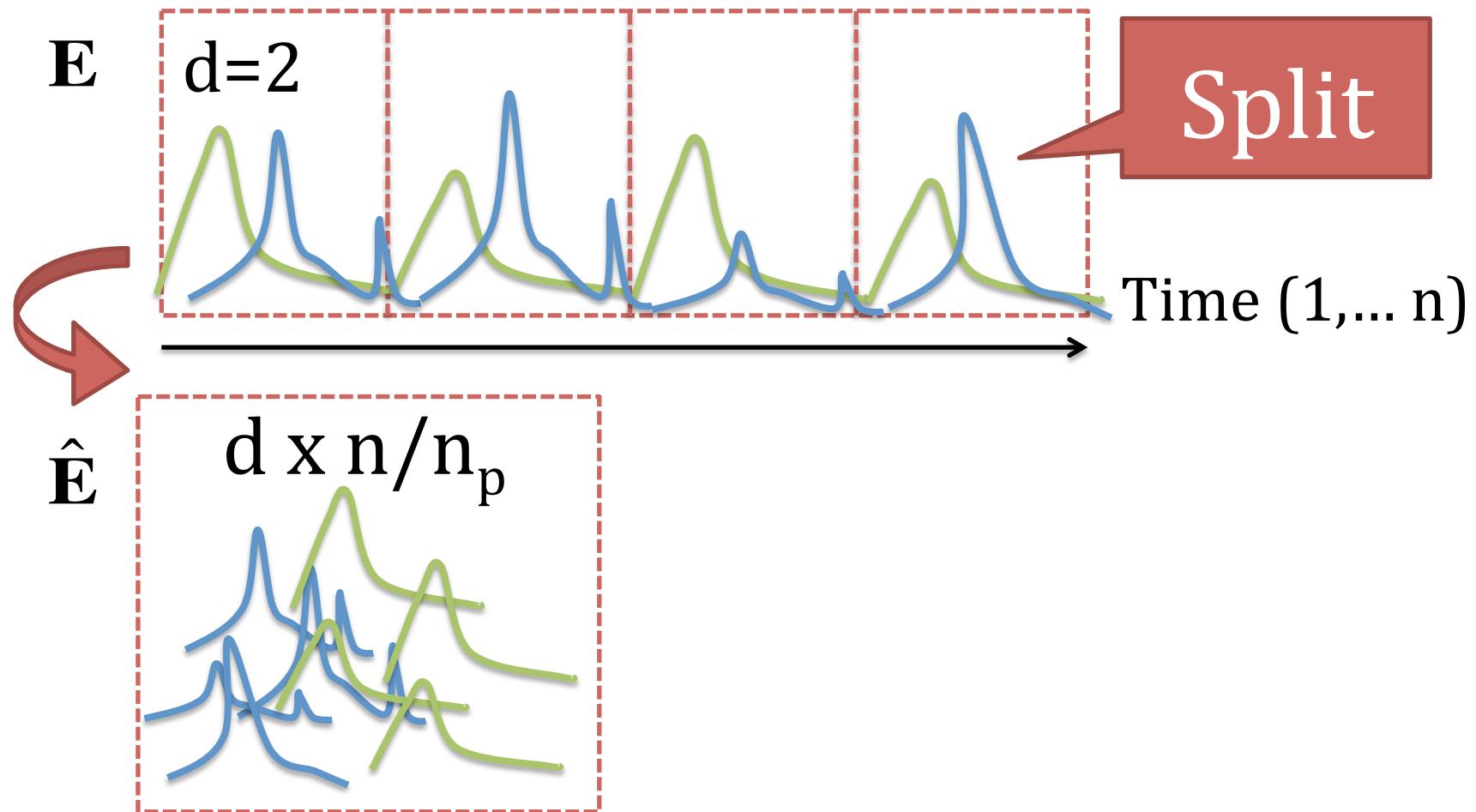
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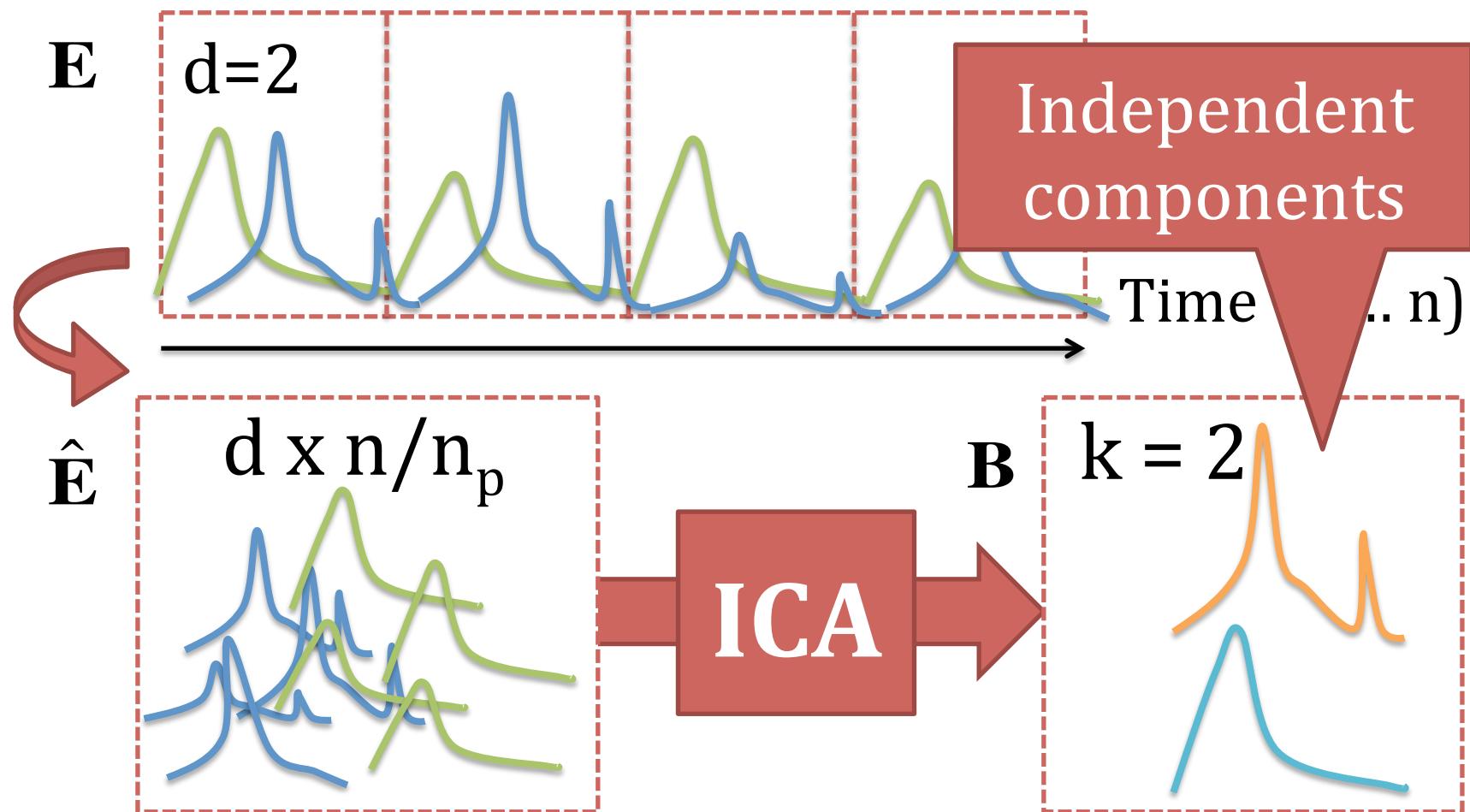
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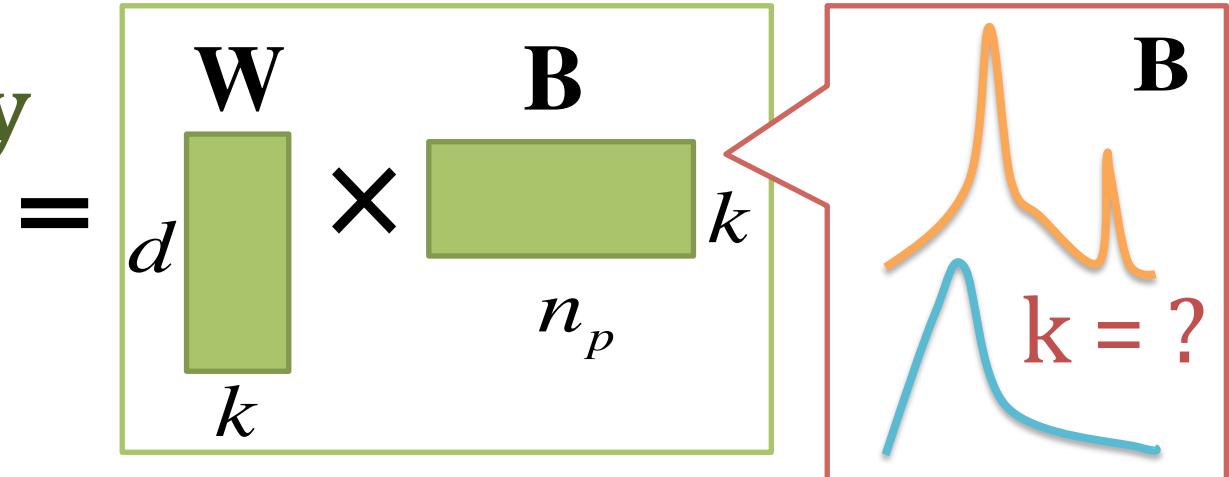
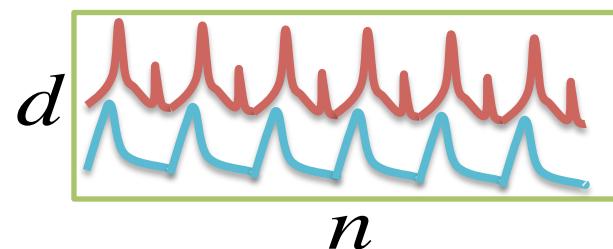
Idea (1): Seasonal component analysis

Idea(1-b) Automatic component analysis

Find optimal number k ($1 \leq k \leq d$)

d: dimension

E: seasonality



opt $k=?$

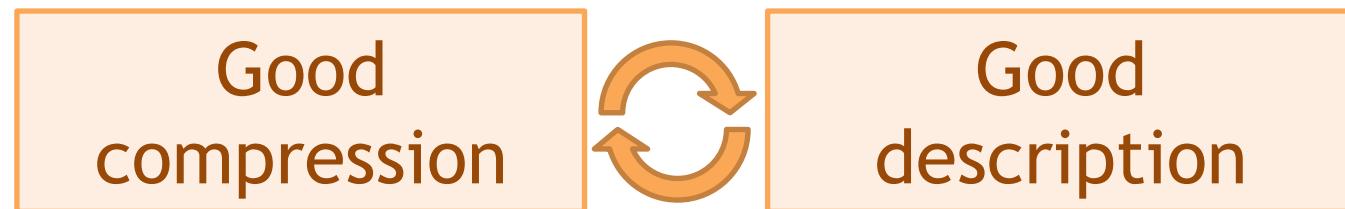
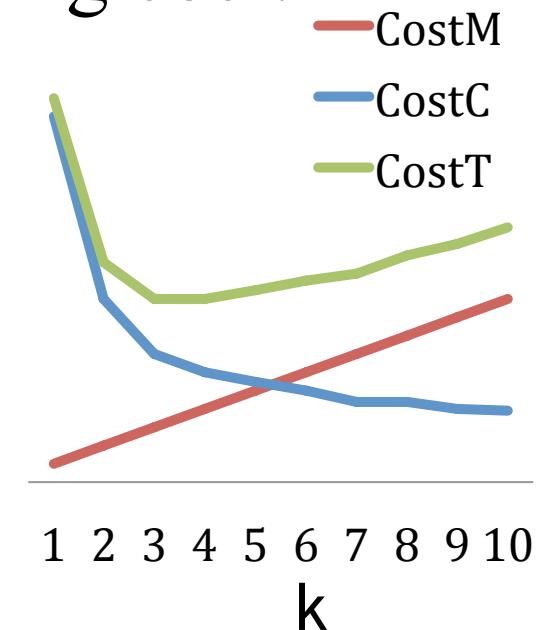


Idea (1): Seasonal component analysis

Idea(1-b) MDL \rightarrow Minimize encoding cost!

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

Model cost
Coding cost





Idea (1): Seasonal component analysis

Idea(1-b) MDL -> Minimize encoding cost!

—CostM
—CostC

$$\begin{aligned} Cost_T(X; \mathcal{S}) = & \log^*(d) + \log^*(n) + Cost_M(\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{r}, \mathbf{K}) \\ & + Cost_M(\mathbf{A}) + Cost_M(k, \mathbf{W}, \mathbf{B}) + Cost_C(X|\mathcal{S}) \end{aligned}$$

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

Good compression



Good description

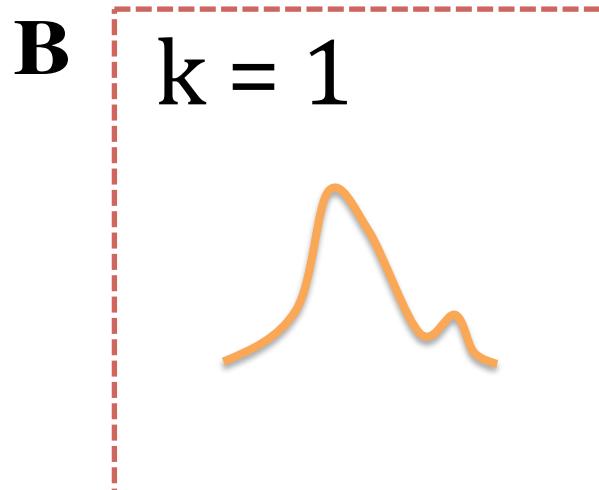
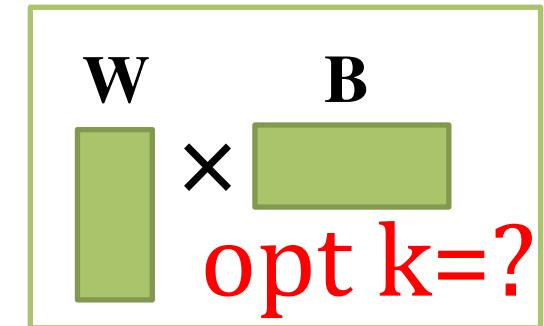


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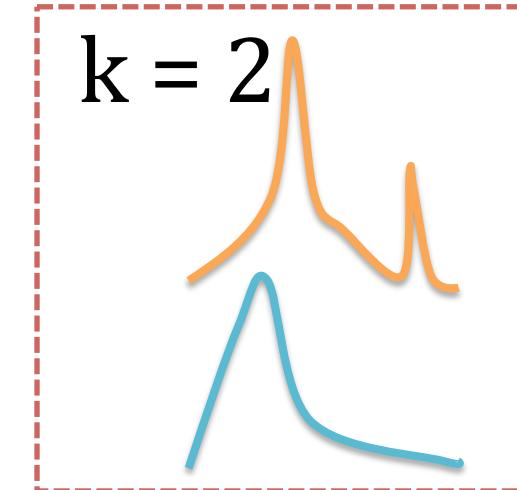
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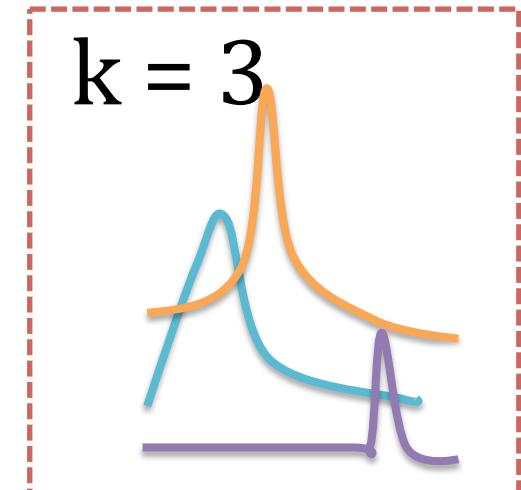
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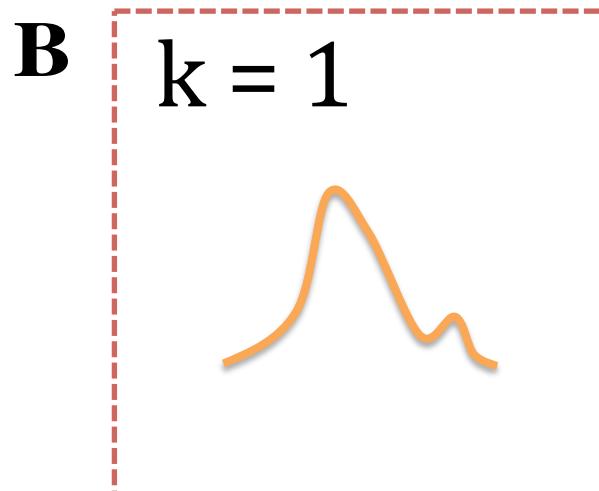
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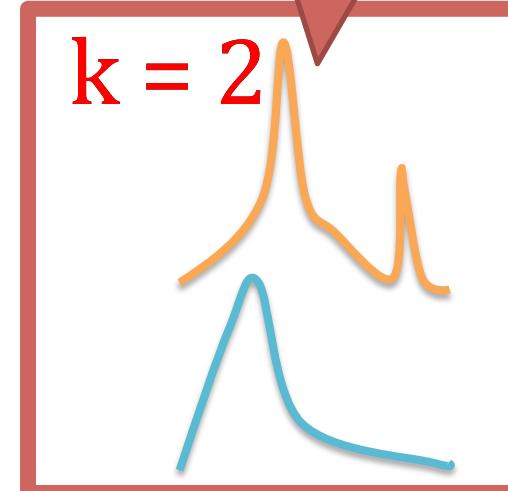
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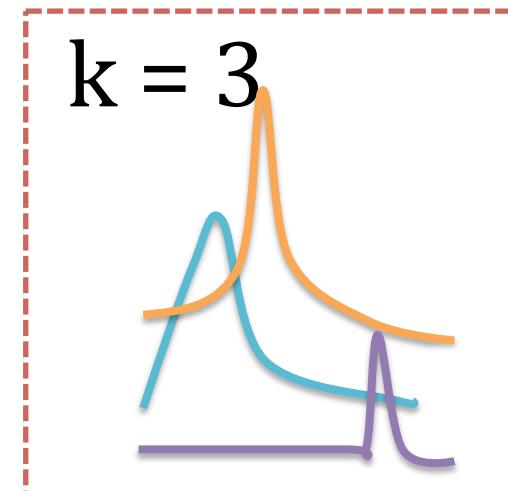
$W \times B$
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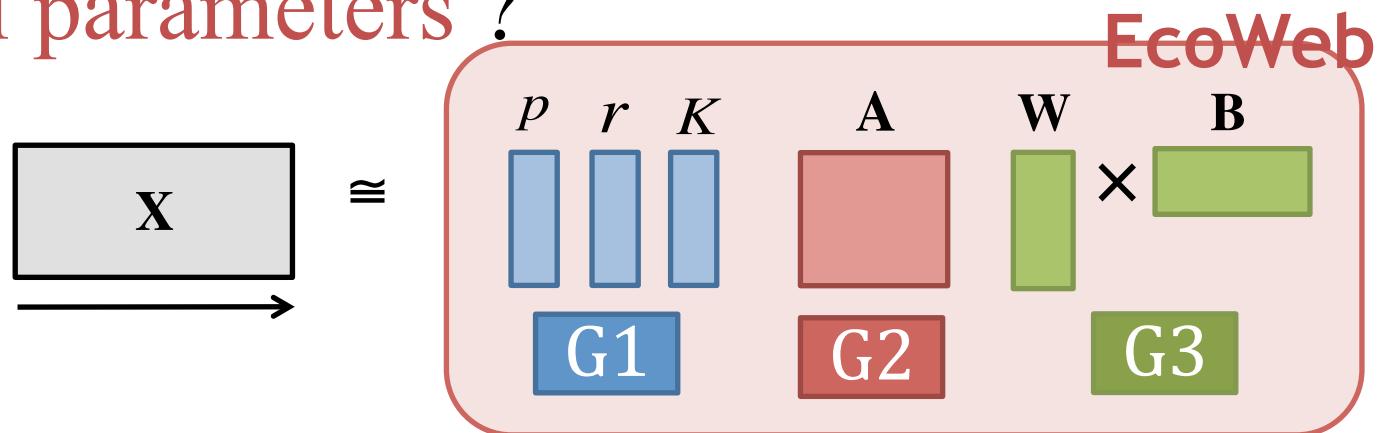


$Cost(3) = \$\$\$$



Idea (2): EcoWeb-Fit

Q2. How can we efficiently estimate
model parameters ?



Idea (2): Multi-step fitting

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



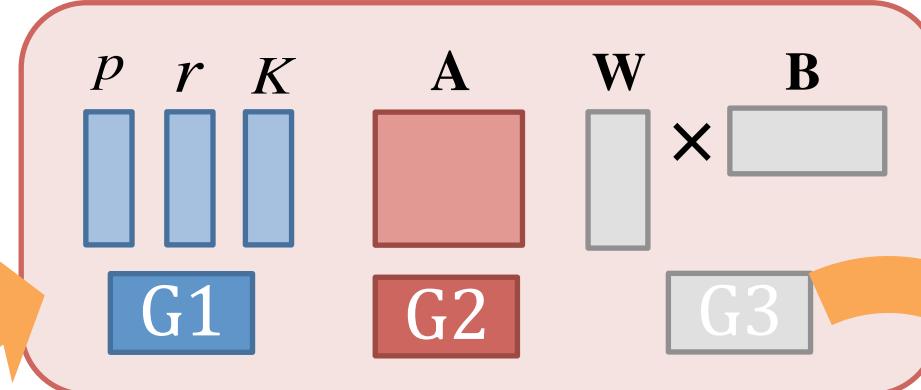
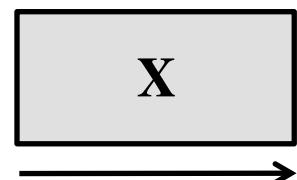
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(2-a). StepFit: Update parameters *alternately*

Step A

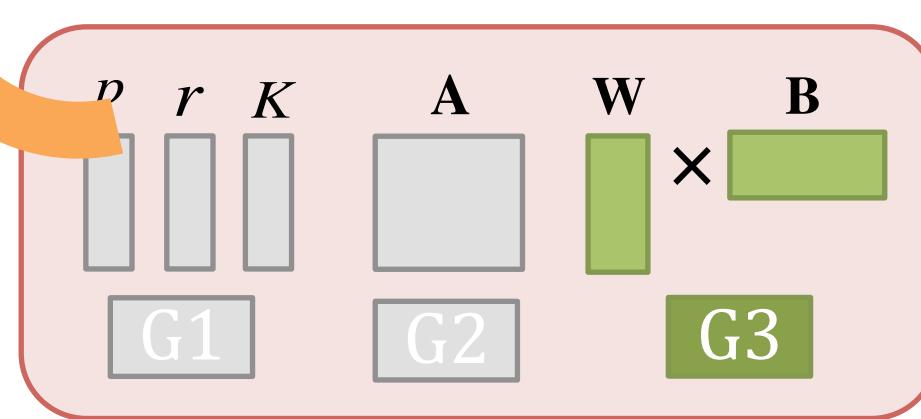
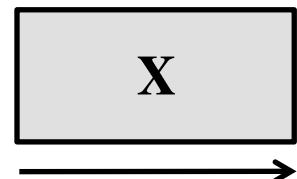
G1

G2



Step B

G3





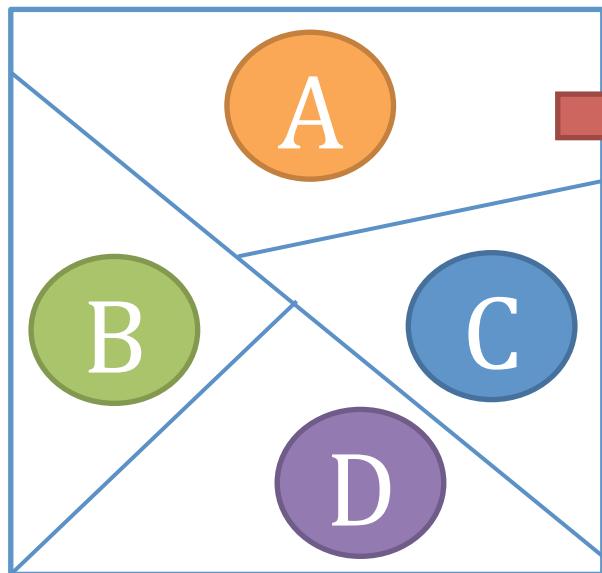
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(2-b). EcoWeb-Fit: full algorithm

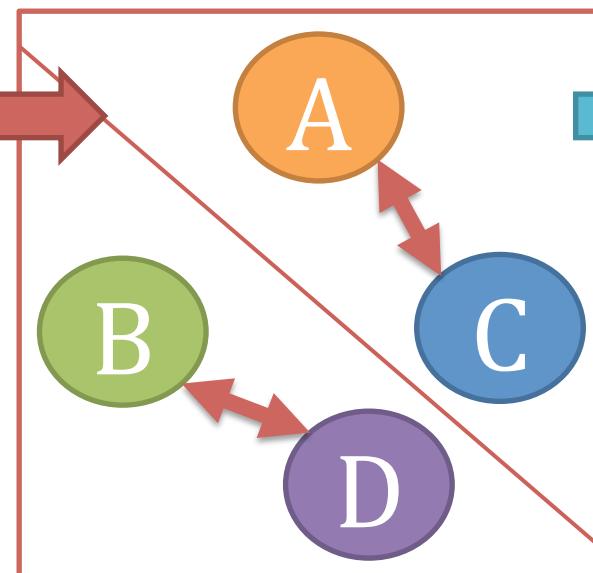
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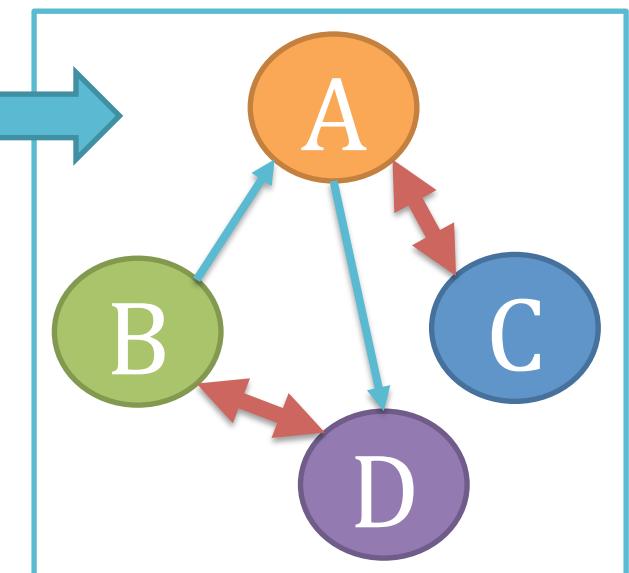
1. Individual-Fit



2. Pair-Fit



3. Full-Fit



EcoWeb-Fit updates parameters, separately



Experiments

We answer the following questions...

Q1. Effectiveness

How successful is it in spotting patterns?

Q2. Accuracy

How well does it match the data?

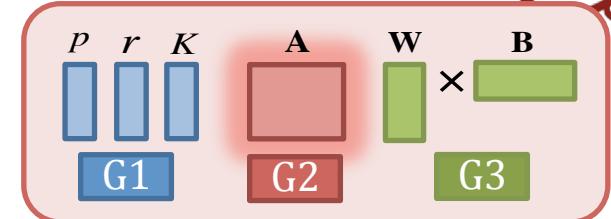
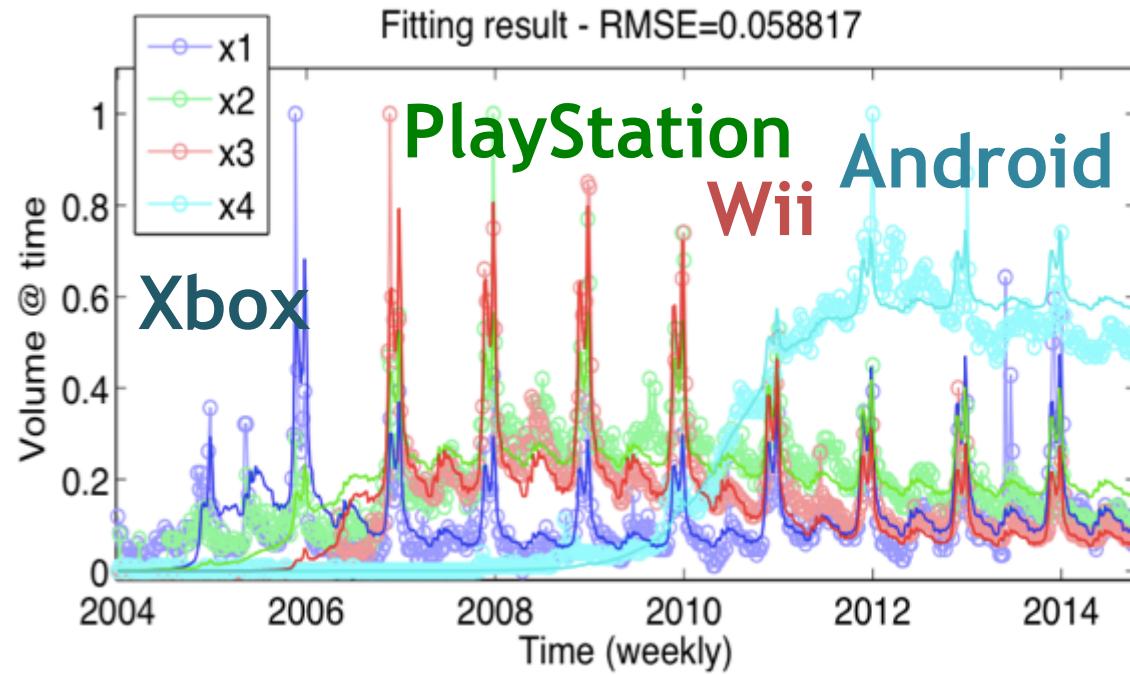
Q3. Scalability

How does it scale in terms of computational time?



Q1. Effectiveness

(#1) Video games



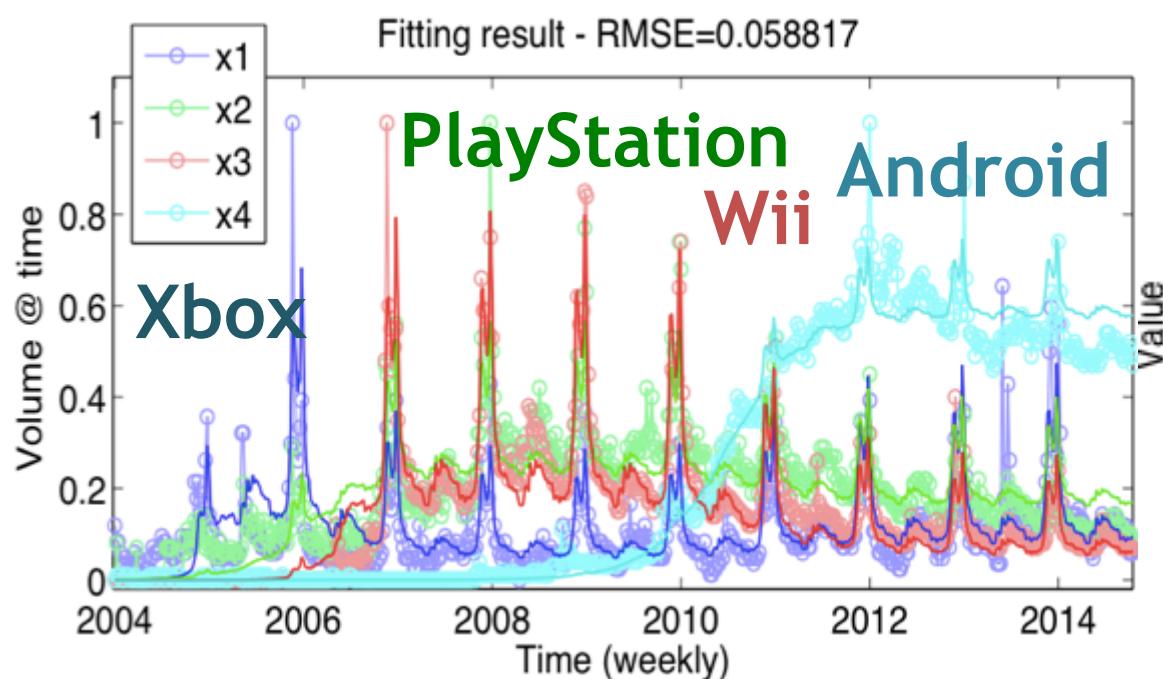
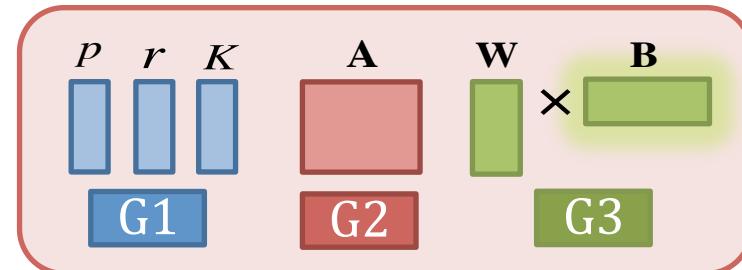
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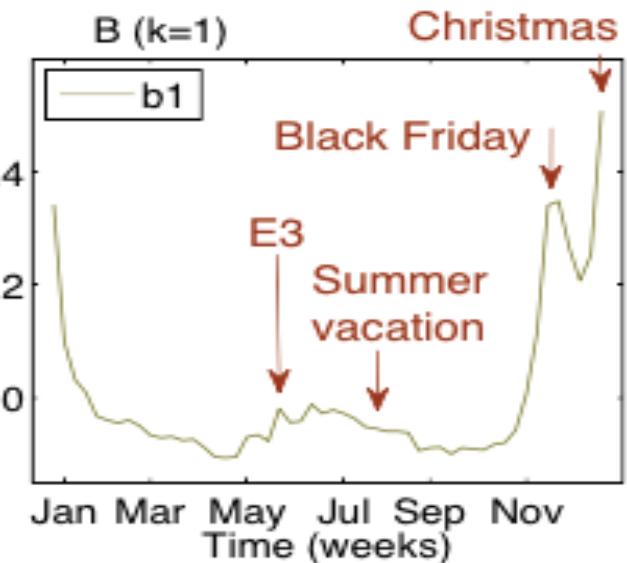


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Seasonality

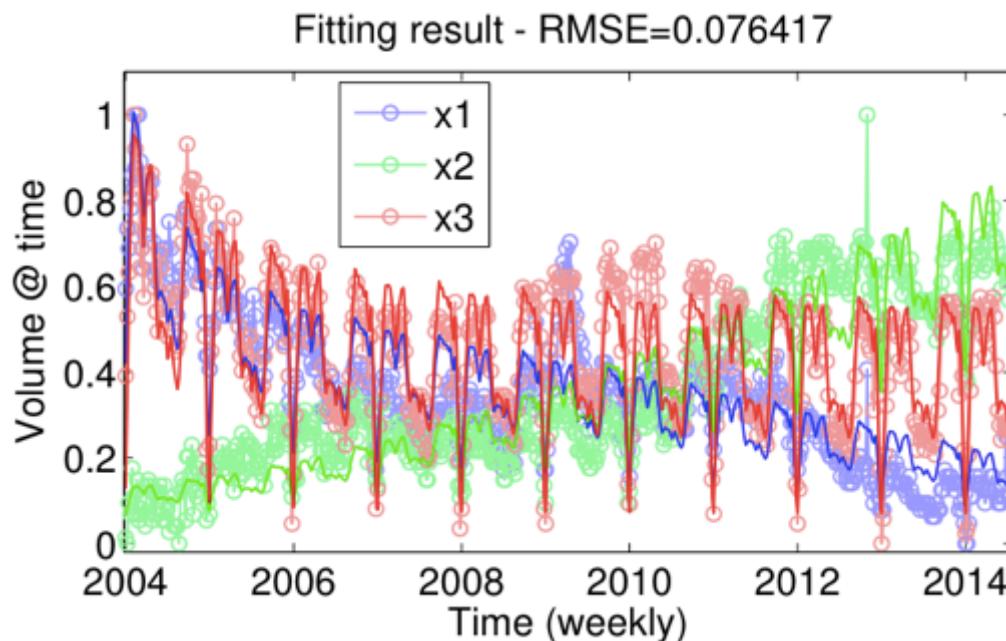




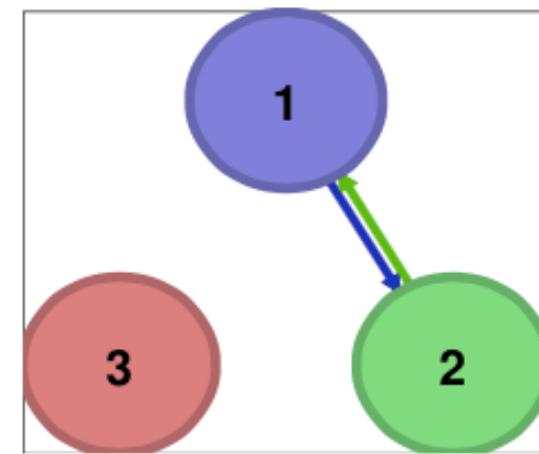
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(#2) Programming language

C , R , MATLAB

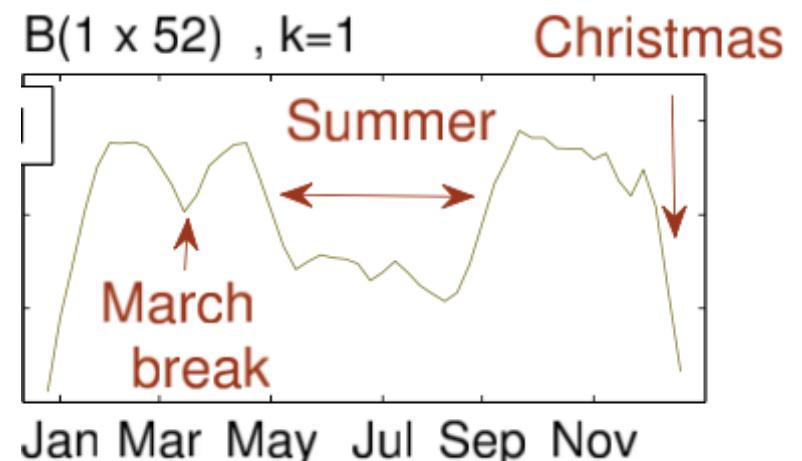


Interactions



Seasonality

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

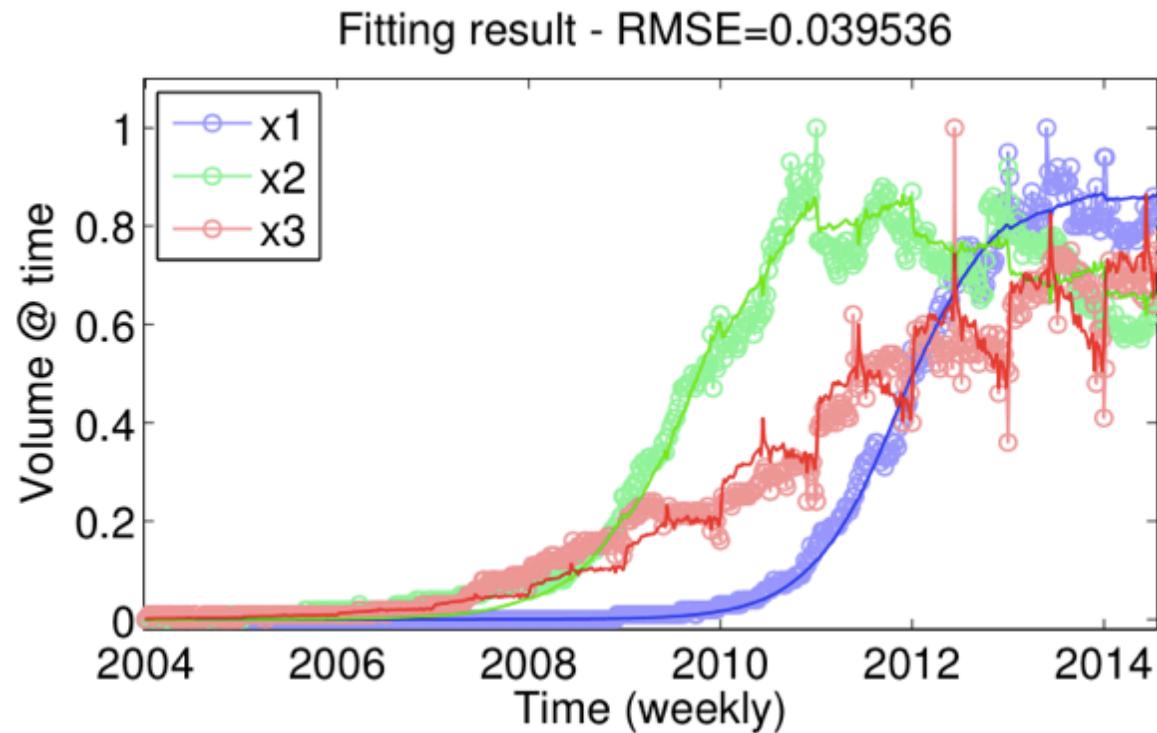




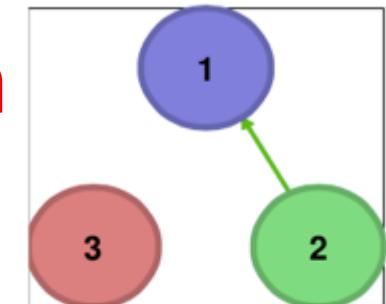
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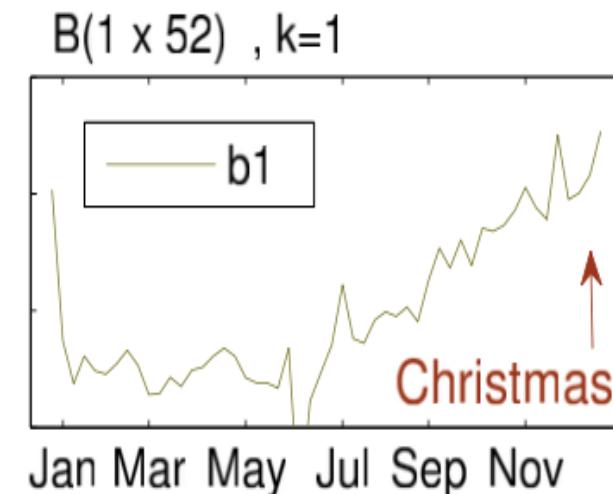
Tumblr , Facebook , LinkedIn



Interactions



Seasonality

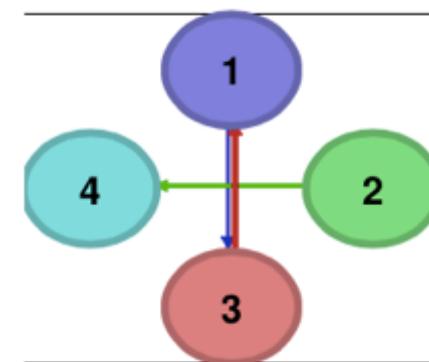
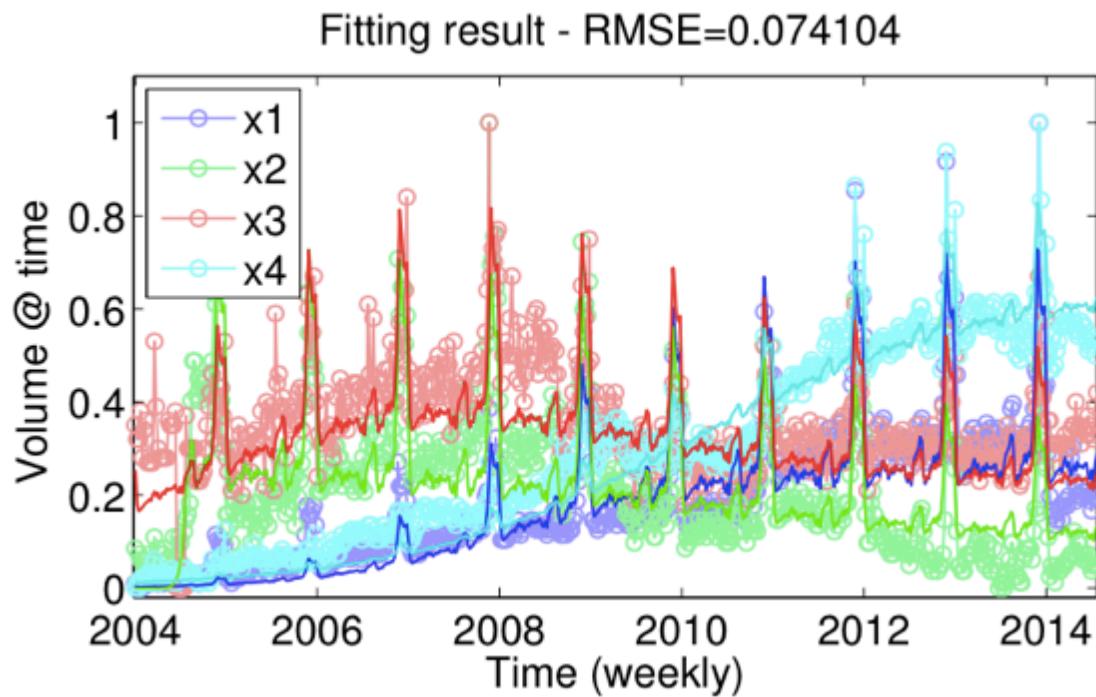




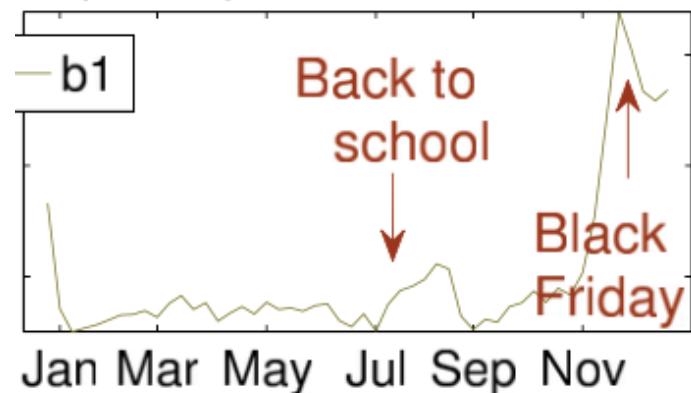
Q1. Effectiveness

(#4) Apparel companies

Kohls , JCPenny , Nordstrom , Forever21



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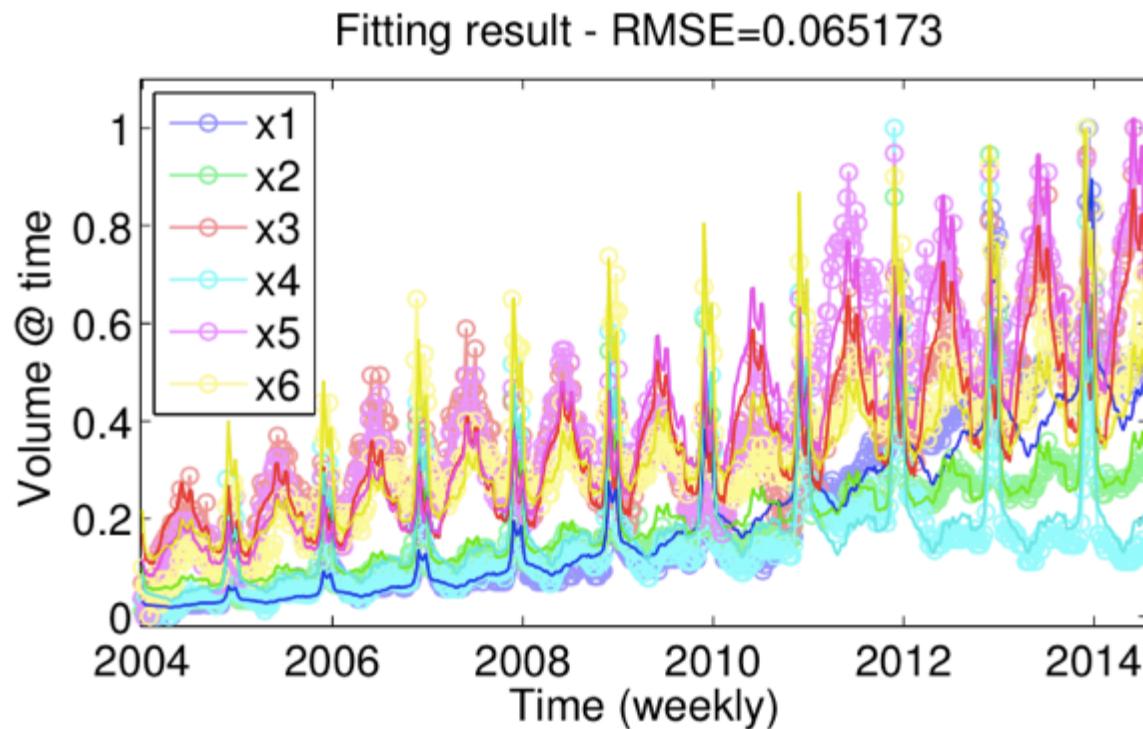




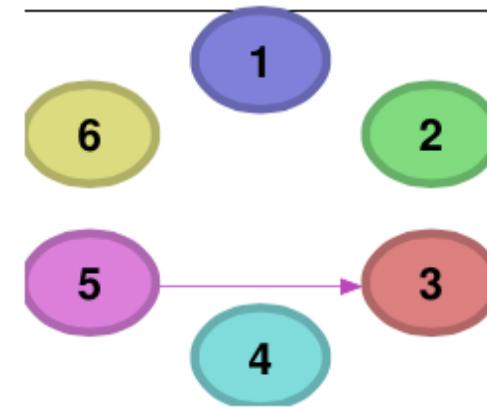
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(#5) Retail companies

**Amazon , Walmart , Home Depot ,
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Interaction

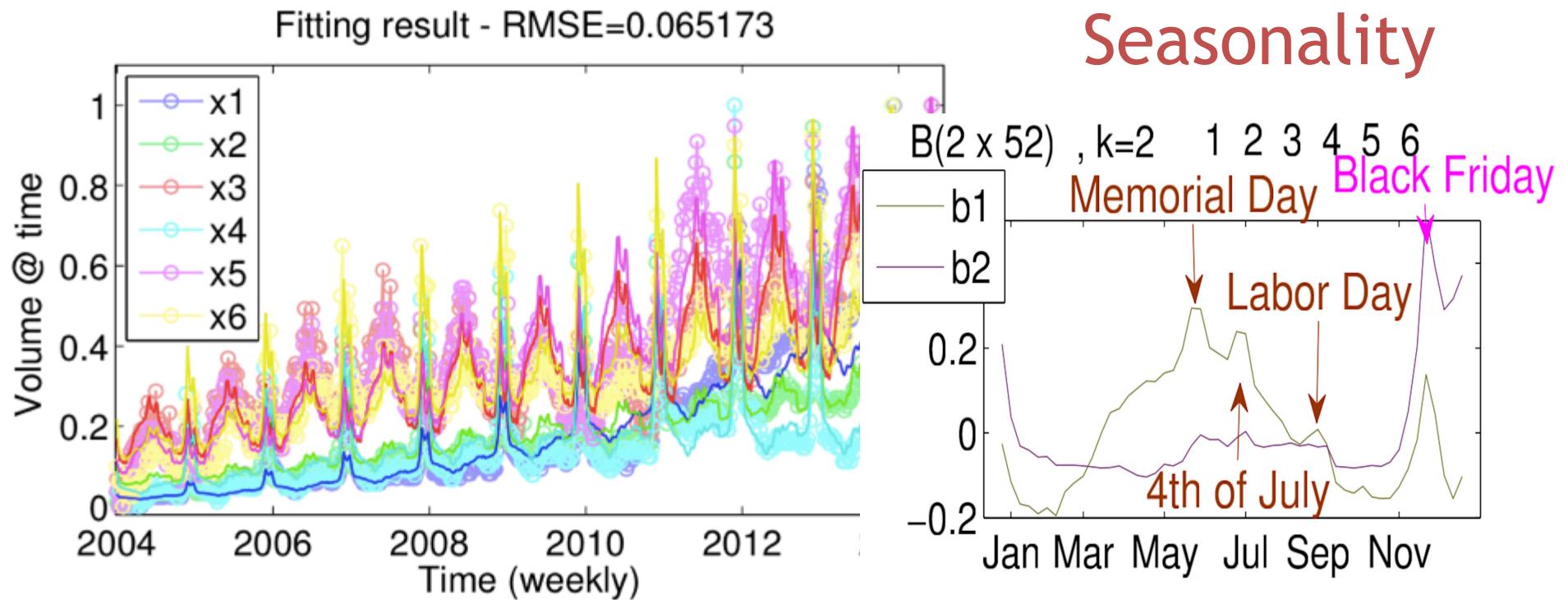




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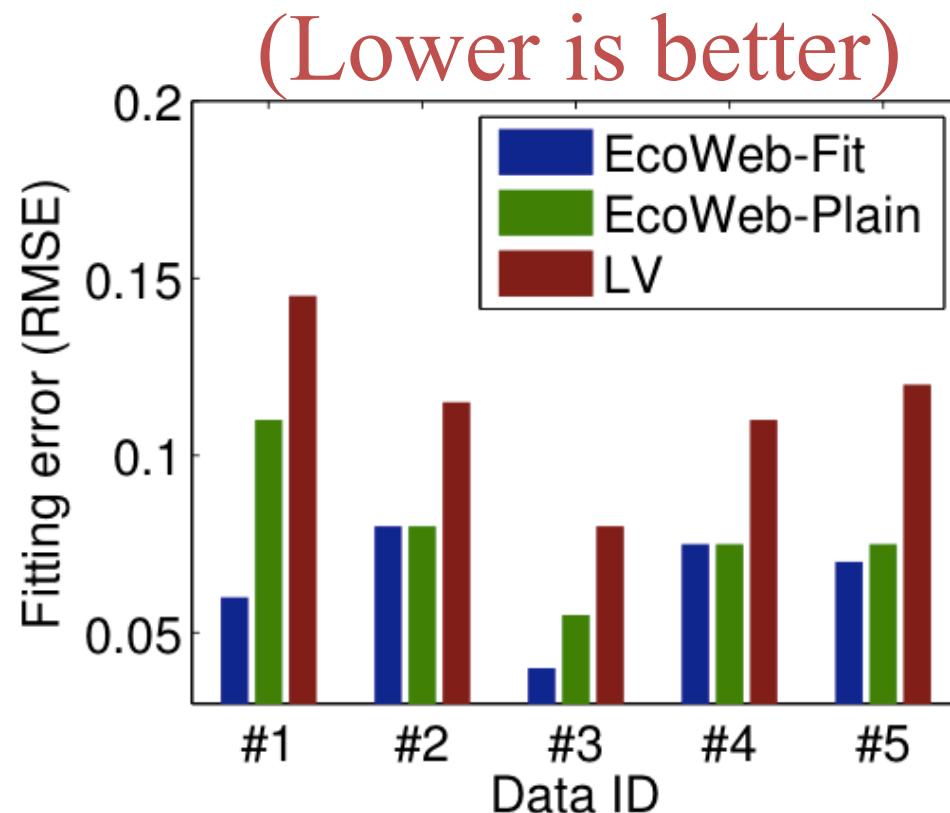
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Q2. Accuracy

RMSE between original and fitted volume



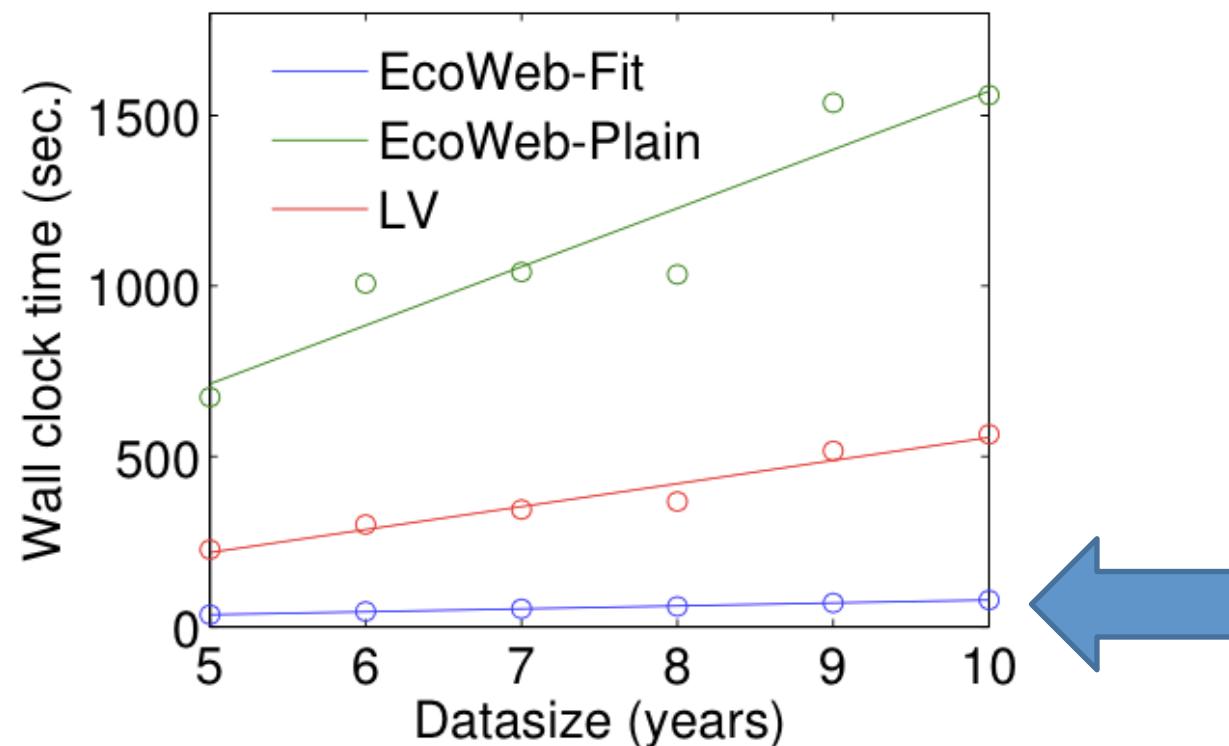
EcoWeb consistently wins!



Q3. Scalability

Wall clock time vs. dataset size (years)

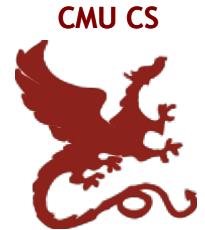
EcoWeb-Fit scales linearly, i.e., $O(n)$



7x faster than **LV**, 20x faster than **EcoWeb-Plain**



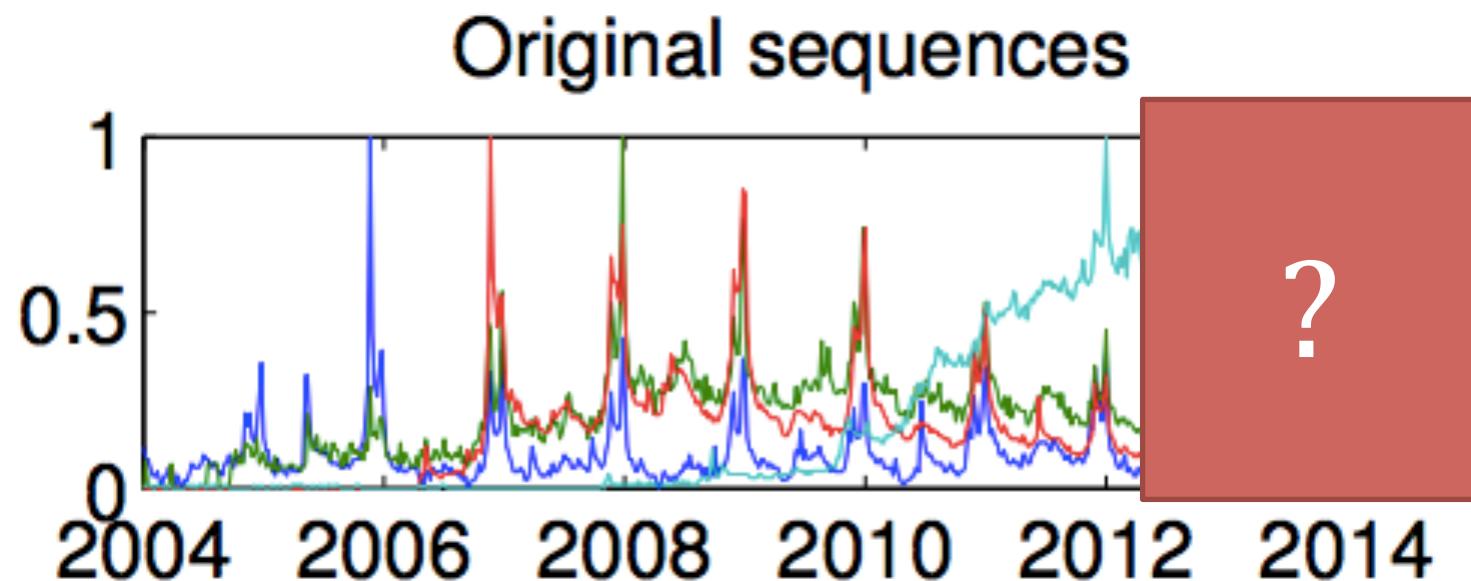
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Forecast:
1/3 following years

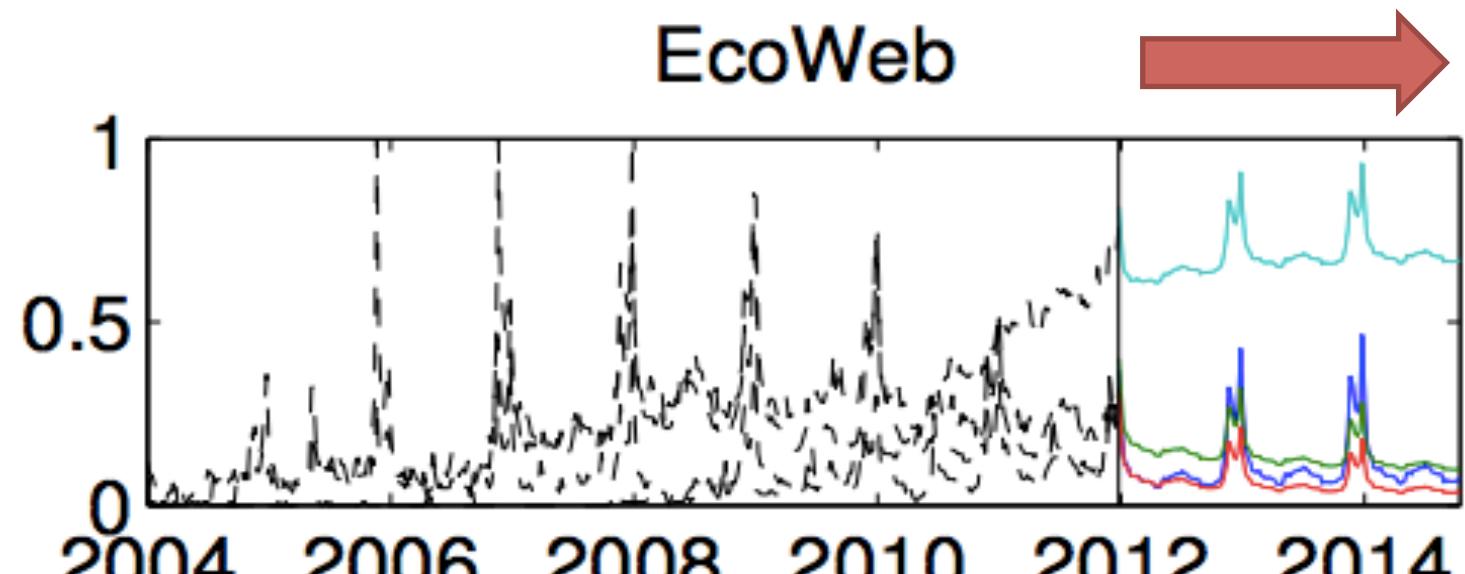


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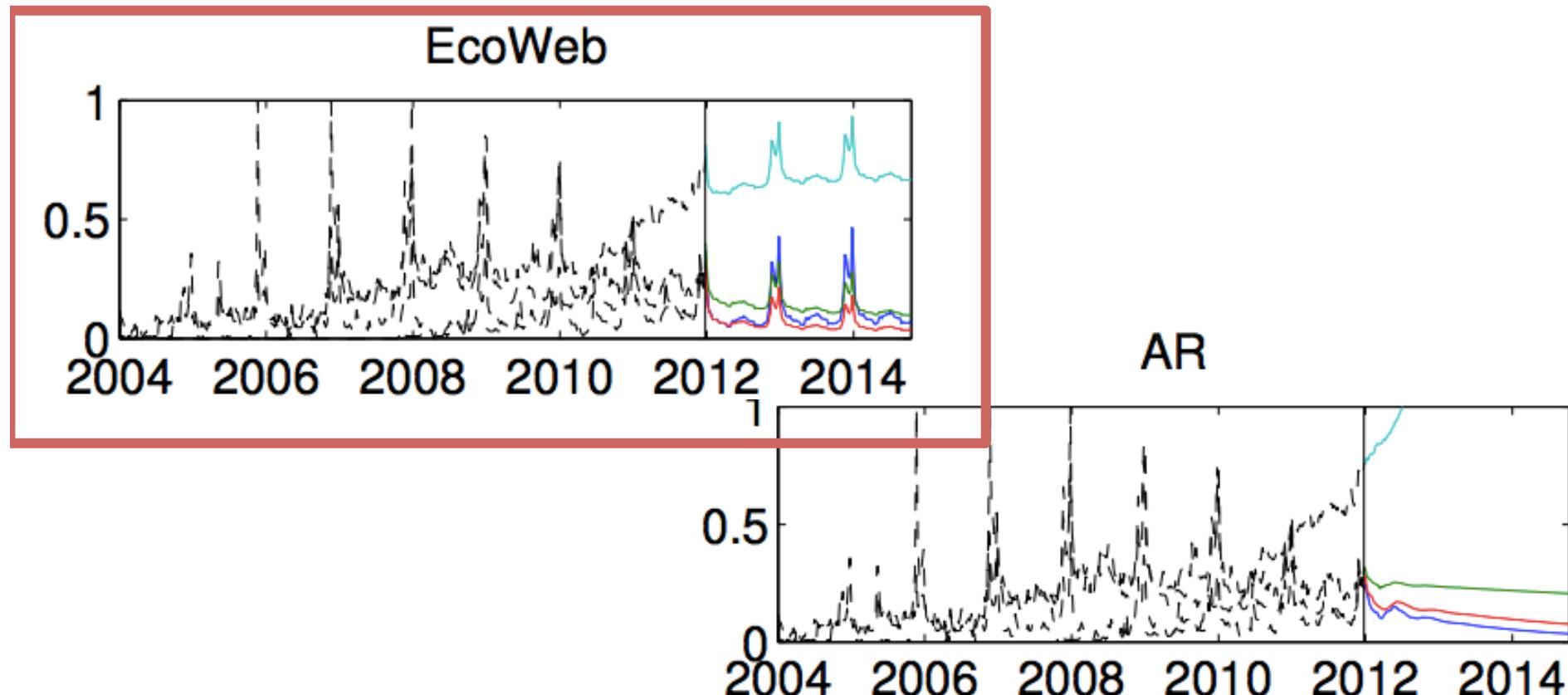
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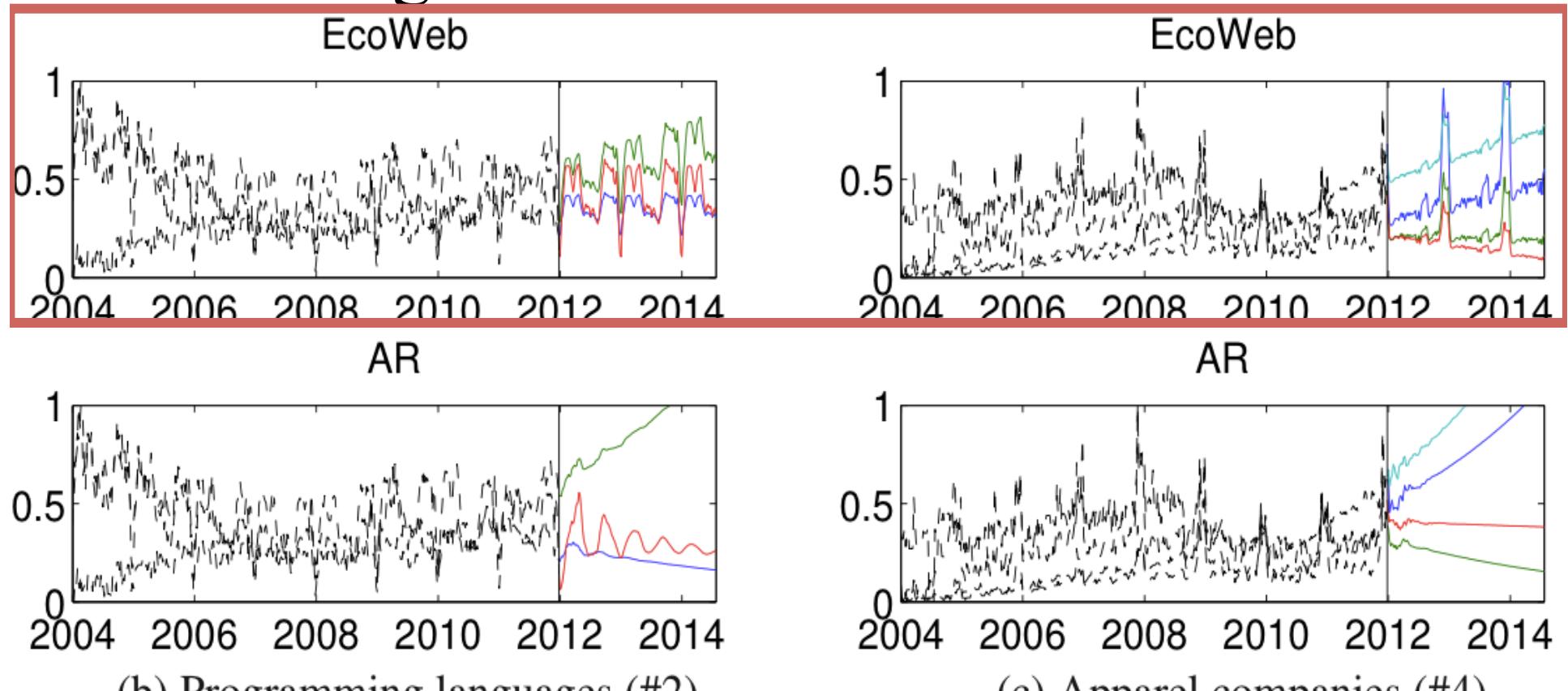
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Part 2

Roadmap



Problem

- ✓ Why: “non-linear” modeling

Fundamentals

- ✓ Non-linear (grey-box) models

Applications

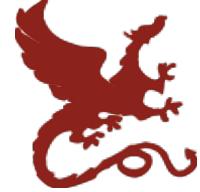
- ✓ Epidemics
- ✓ Information diffusion
- ✓ Online competition





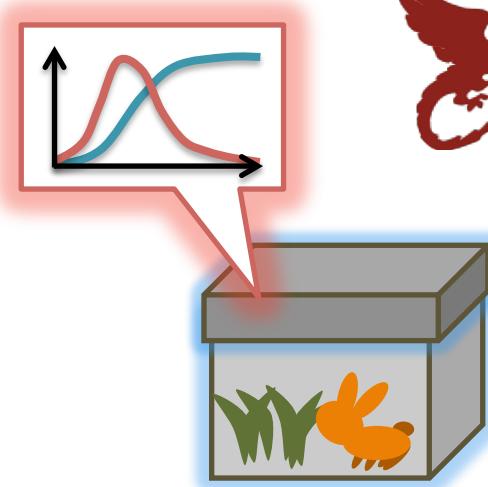
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Conclusions



✓ Why: “non-linear” modeling

- Black box: lag plots (k-NN search)
- Grey-box: given a model



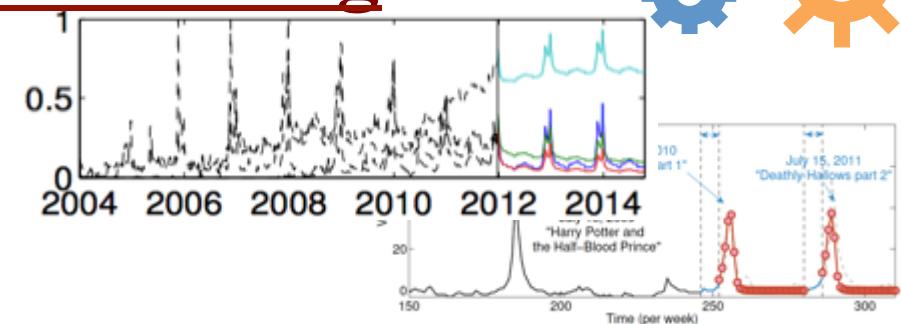
✓ Fundamentals: popular non-linear models

- Logistic function, Lotka-Volterra, Competition, ...
- Epidemics (SI, SIR, SEIR, etc.), ...



✓ Applications: non-linear mining

- Epidemics
- Information diffusion
- Online competition





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