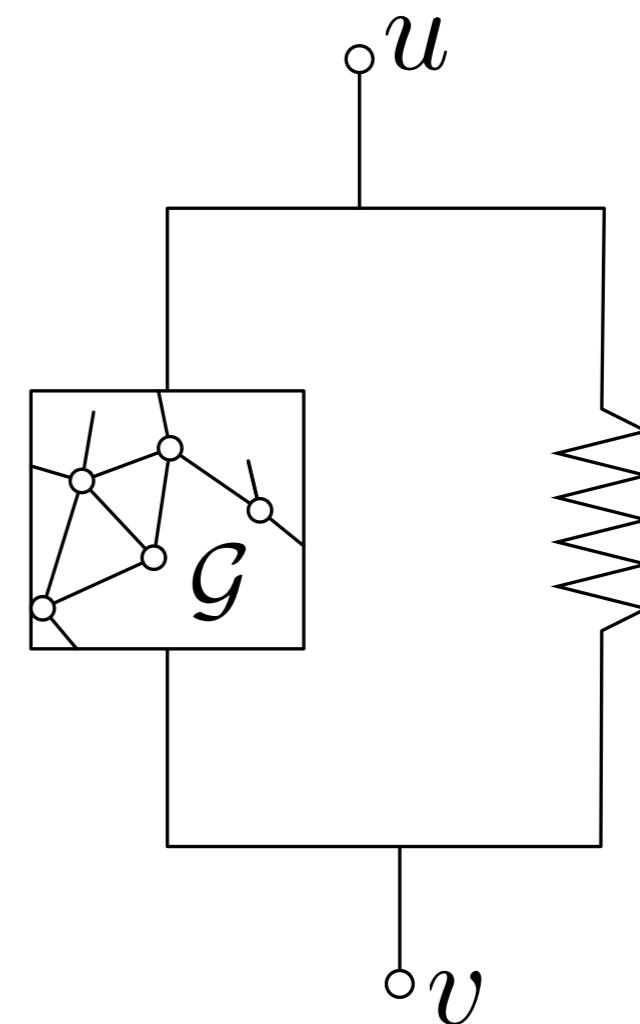


Clustering, Robustness, and Effective Resistance in Linear Consensus

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Networked Dynamic Systems

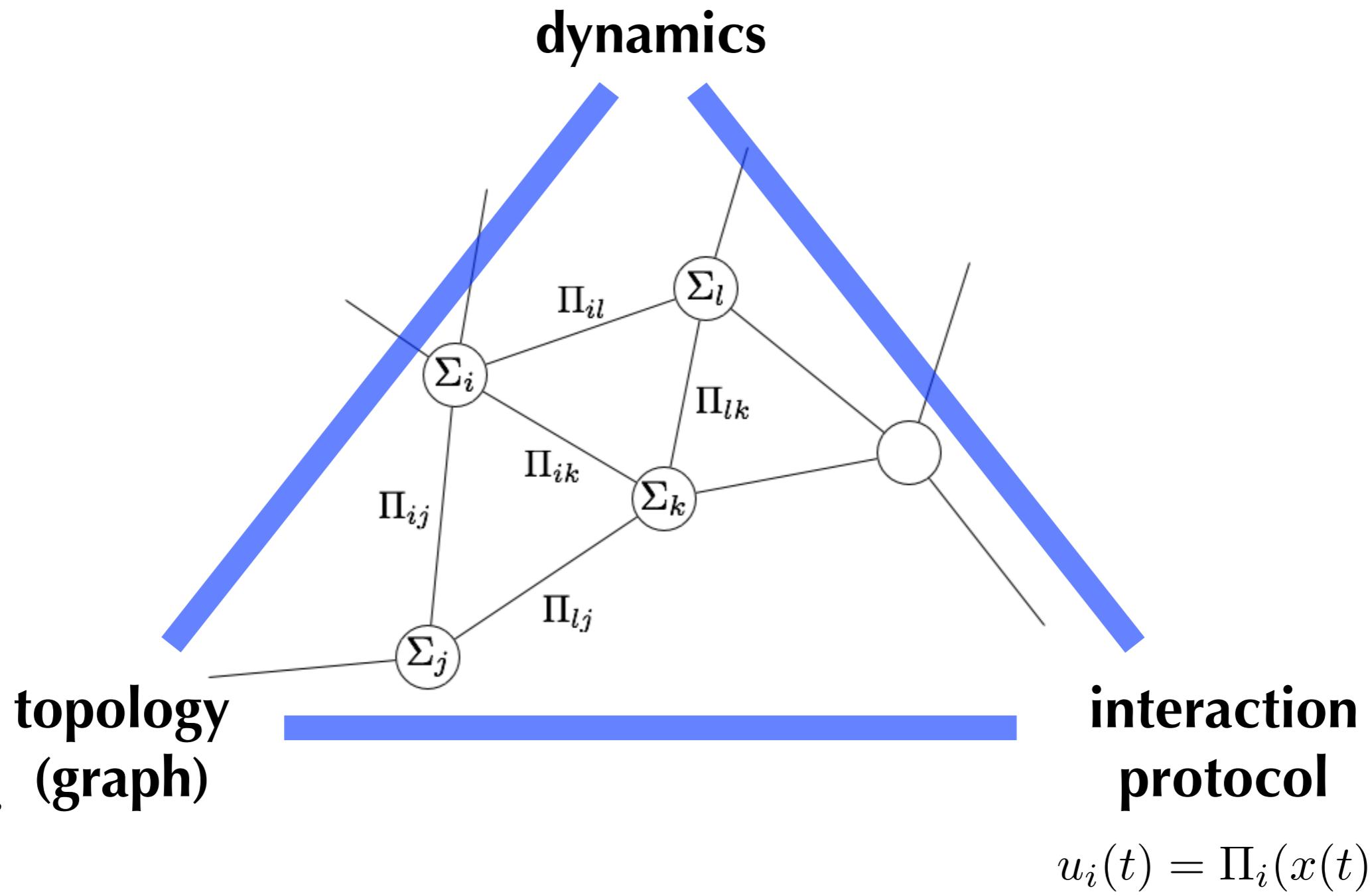


**networks of dynamical systems are one of
*the enabling technologies of the future***

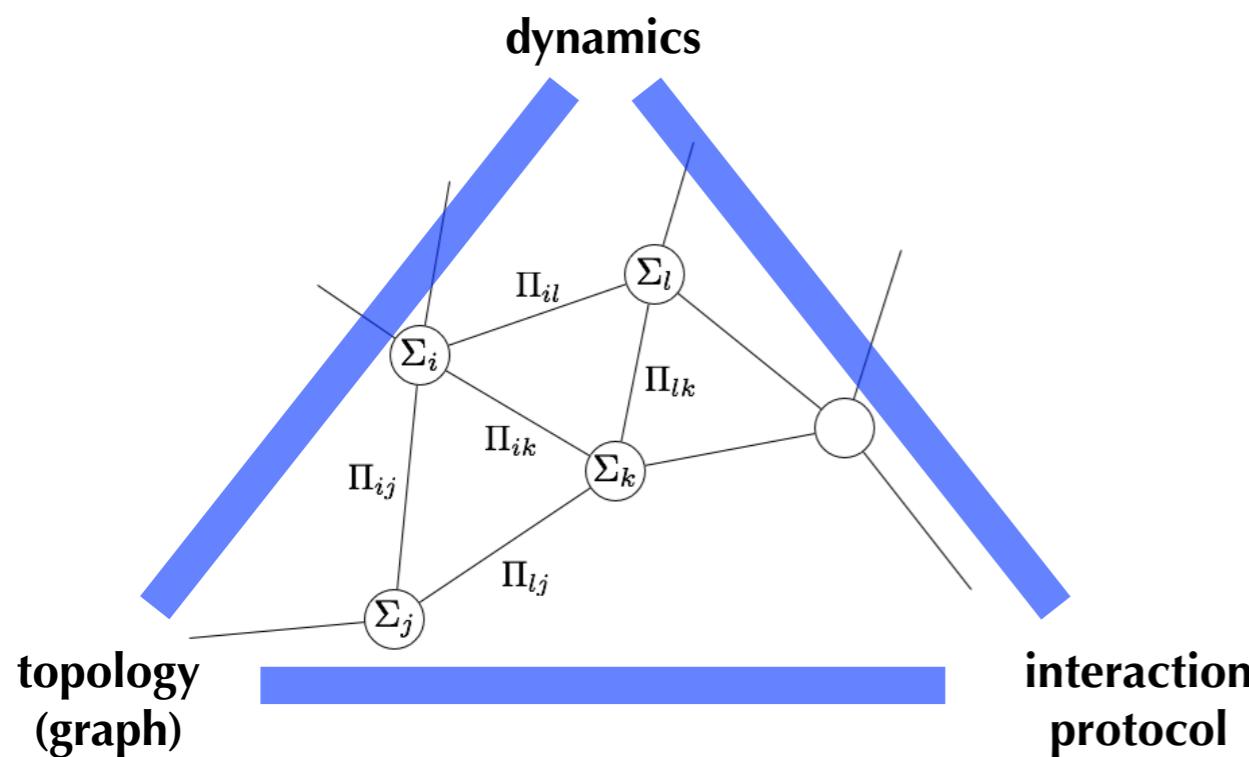


Networked Dynamic Systems

$$\dot{x}_i(t) = f_i(x_i(t), u_i(t))$$



Networked Dynamic Systems



Analysis

- steady-state behavior
- interplay between dynamics and graph
- equilibrium configurations

Synthesis

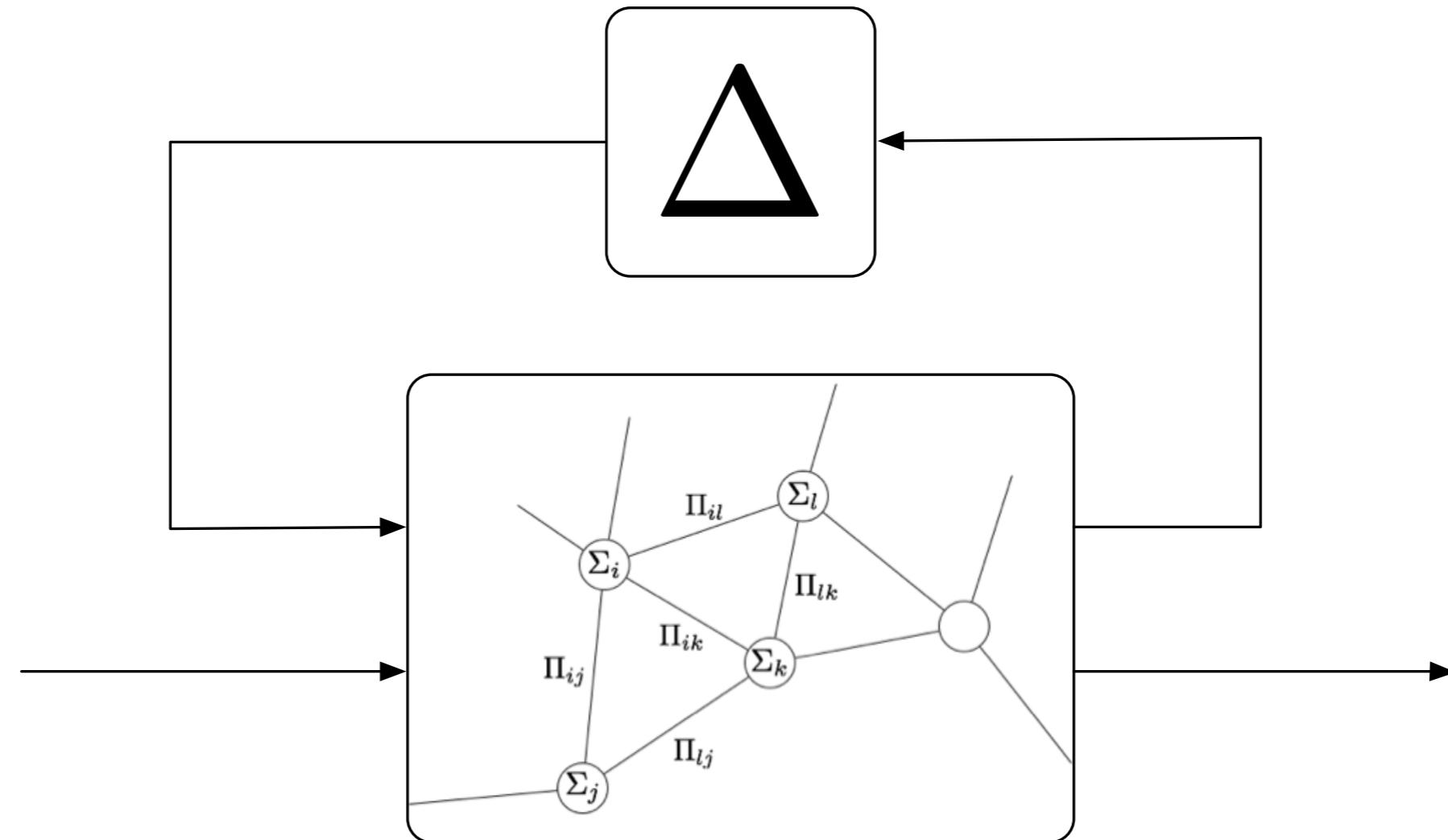
- design of distributed protocols
- design of “good” network structures
- good performance

can we reveal *deep* results describing the underlying behavior of these systems?



Networked Dynamic Systems

What about robustness?



**what is the right way to approach
robustness of networked dynamic systems?**

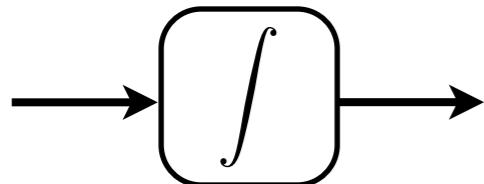


The Consensus Protocol

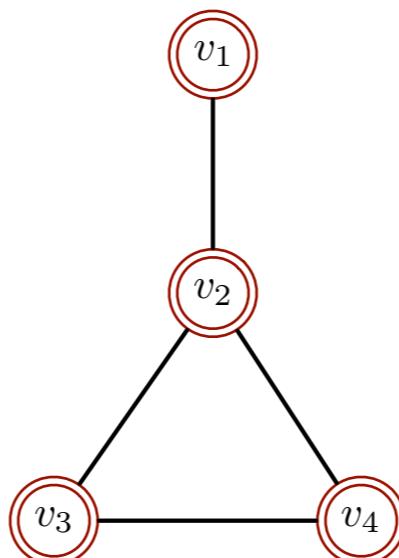
The consensus protocol is a *distributed and dynamic protocol* used for computing the average of a set of numbers.

Agent Dynamics

$$\dot{x}_i(t) = u_i(t)$$



Information Exchange Network



$$\mathcal{G} = (\mathcal{V}, \mathcal{E}, \mathcal{W})$$

$$\mathcal{W}: \mathcal{E} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

Incidence Matrix

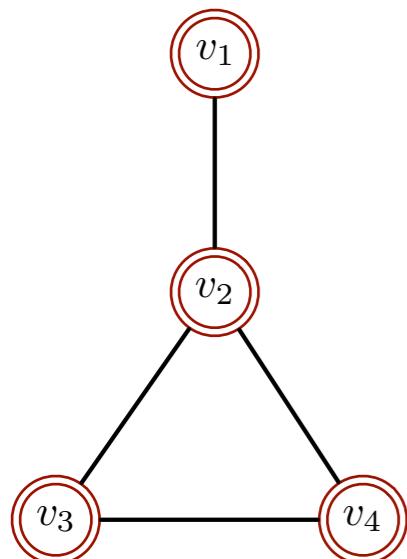
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Consensus Protocol

$$u_i(t) = \sum_{i \sim j} w_{ij}(x_j(t) - x_i(t))$$

$$\dot{x}(t) = -L(\mathcal{G})x(t)$$

Laplacian Matrix

- $L(\mathcal{G}) \in \mathbb{R}^{|\mathcal{V}| \times |\mathcal{V}|}$
- $L(\mathcal{G}) = E(\mathcal{G})WE(\mathcal{G})^T$
- $L(\mathcal{G})\mathbb{1} = 0$

$$e = (v_i, v_j) \in \mathcal{E}$$

$$\mathcal{W}(e) = w_{ij} = [W]_{ee}$$

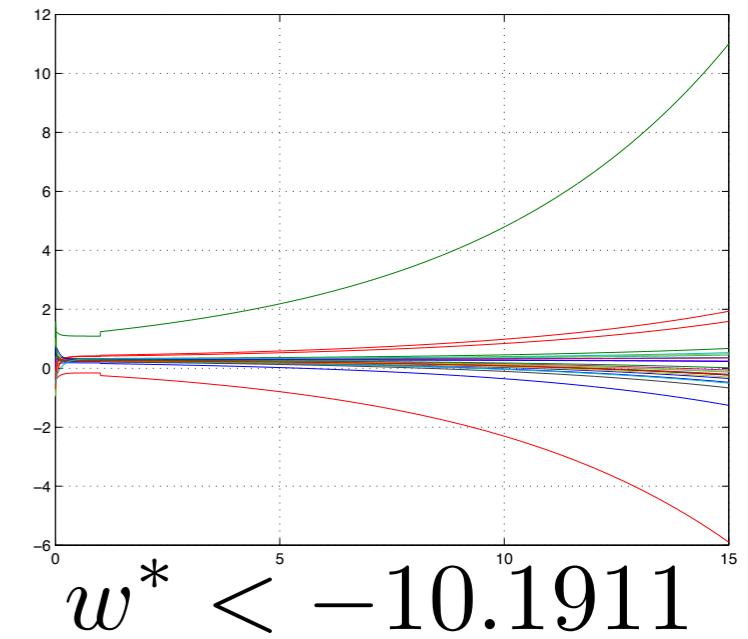
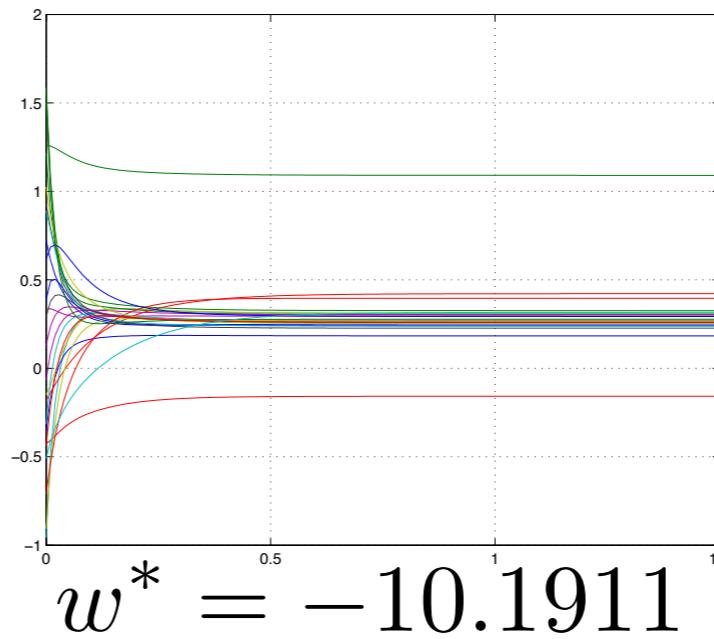
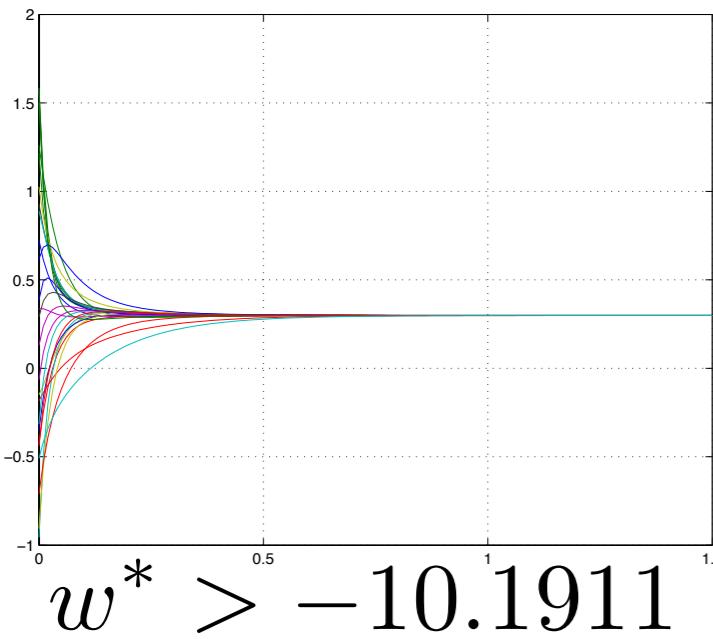
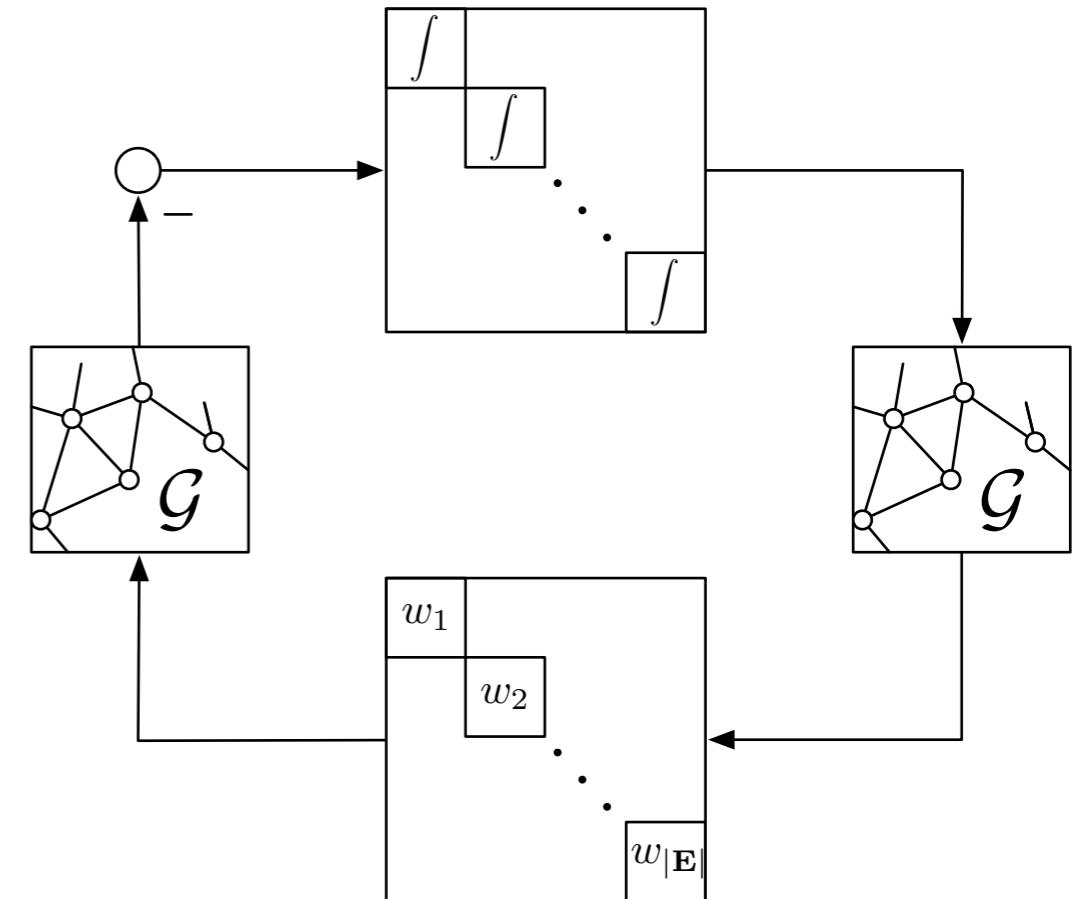


Robustness in Consensus Networks

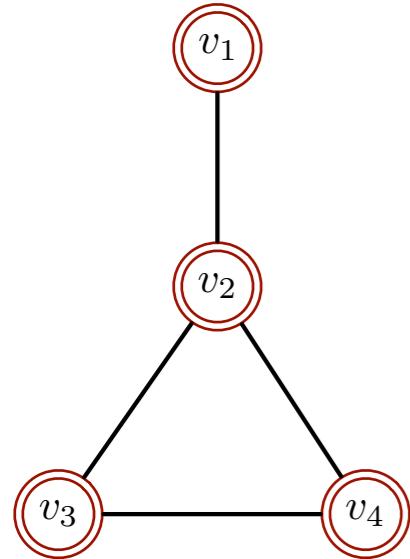
The Linear Weighted Consensus Protocol

$$\dot{x}_i(t) = \sum_{i \sim j} w_{ij}(x_j(t) - x_i(t))$$

\mathcal{G} 25 nodes
98 edges



The Consensus Protocol



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Theorem 1 Let $\mathcal{G} = (\mathcal{V}, \mathcal{E}, \mathcal{W})$ be a weighted and connected graph with positive edge weights $\mathcal{W}(k) > 0$ for $k = 1, \dots, |\mathcal{E}|$. Then the consensus dynamics synchronizes; i.e., $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} x_i(t) = \beta$ for $i = 1, \dots, |\mathcal{V}|$.

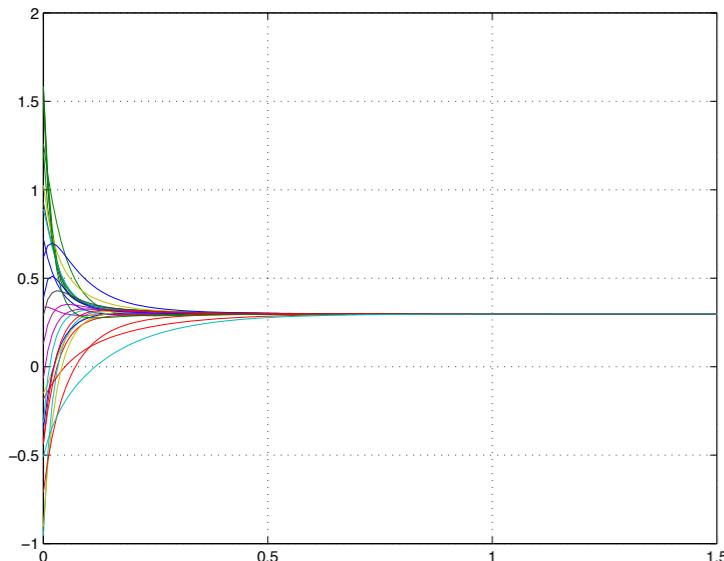
Mesbahi & Egerstedt, Olfati-Saber, Ren



Synchronization and the Laplacian

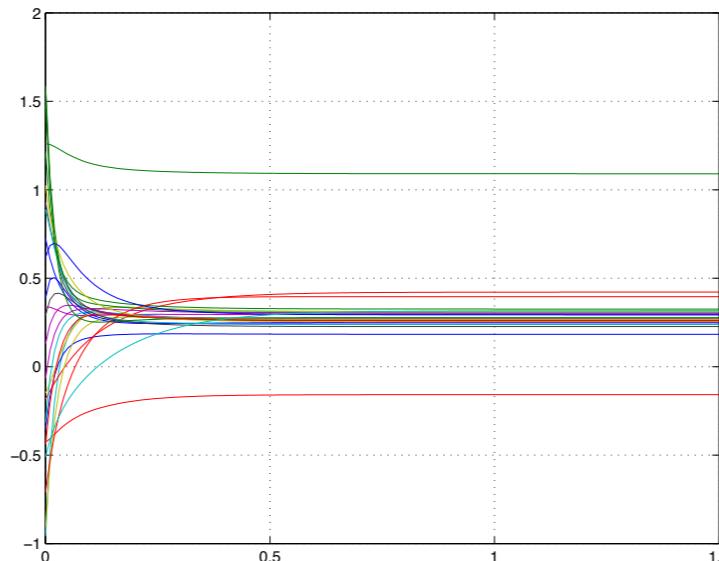
$$x(t) = e^{-L(\mathcal{G})t} x_0$$

$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} x(t) = \beta \mathbb{1} \Leftrightarrow L(\mathcal{G})$ has only **one** eigenvalue at the origin



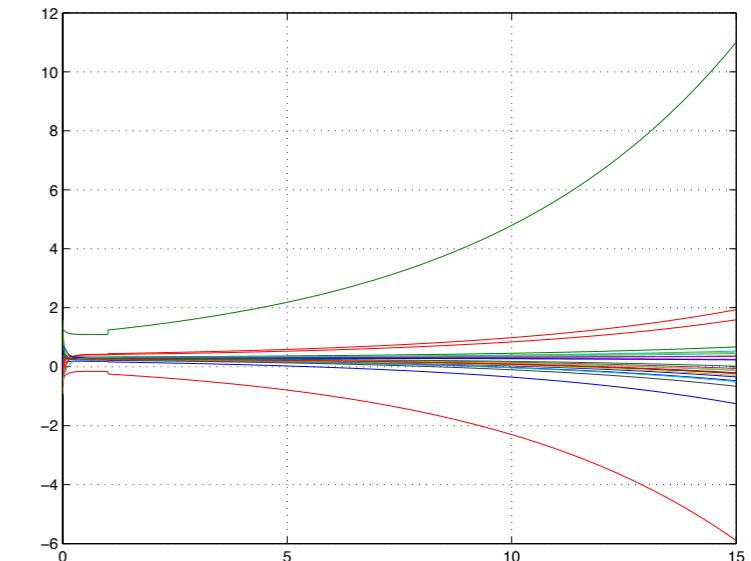
$$L(\mathcal{G}) \geq 0$$

has only **one** eigenvalue at the zero



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$$L(\mathcal{G})$$

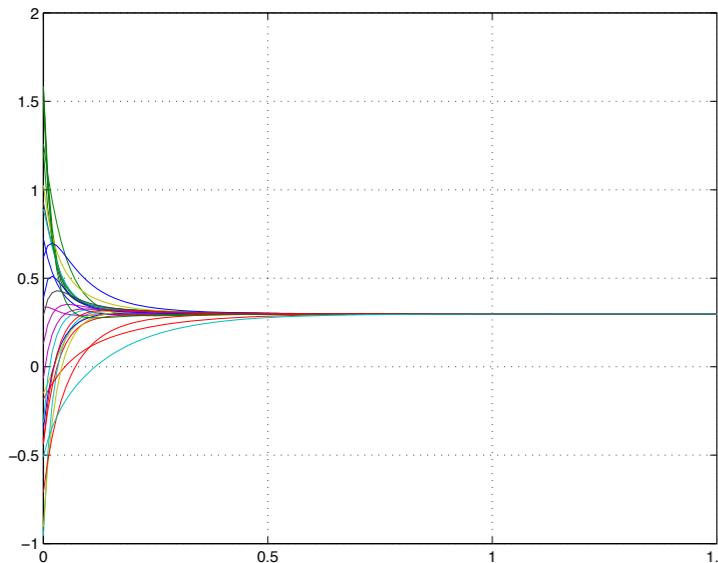
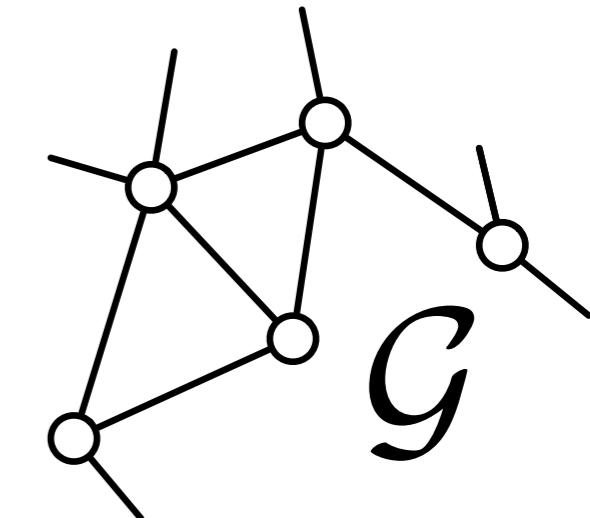
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Synchronization and the Laplacian

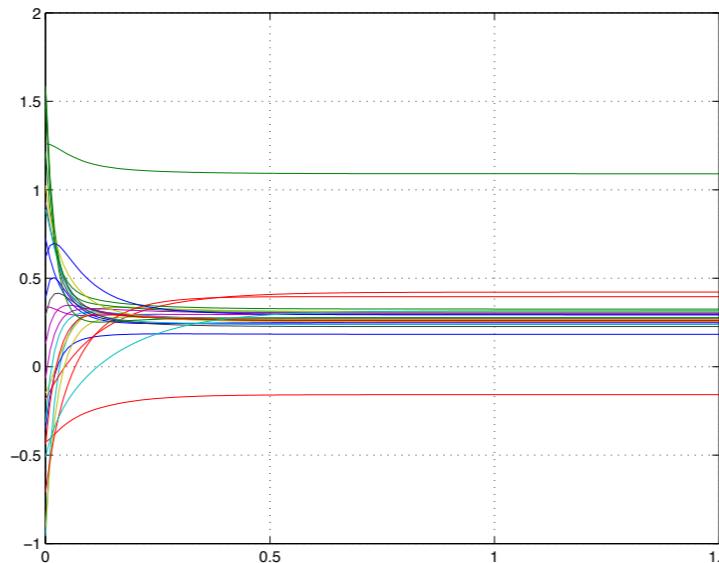
$$\dot{x}(t) = -L(\mathcal{G})x(t)$$

system behavior depends on
the spectral properties of the
graph Laplacian



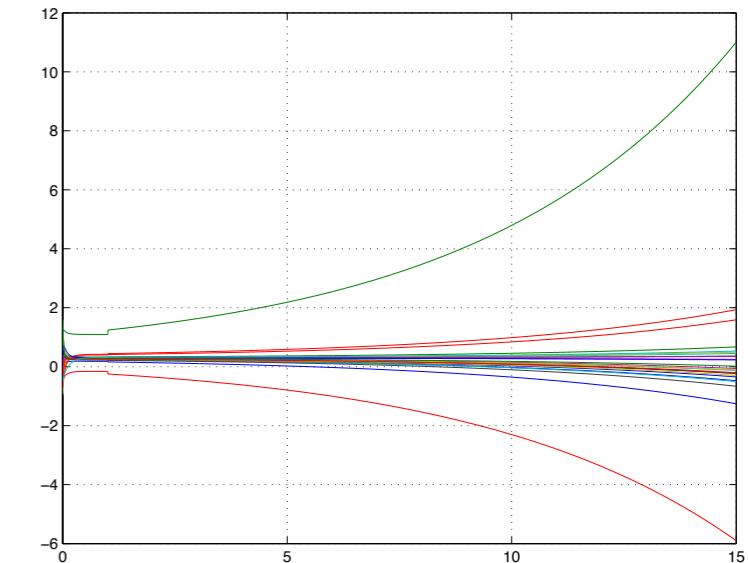
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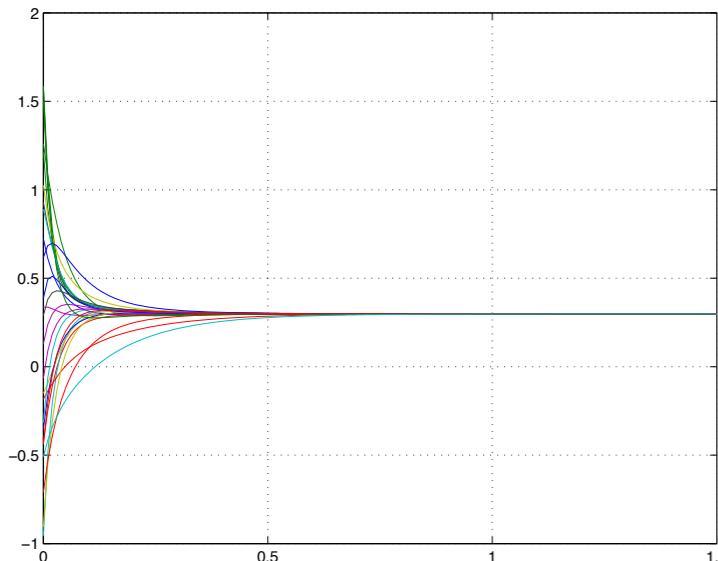
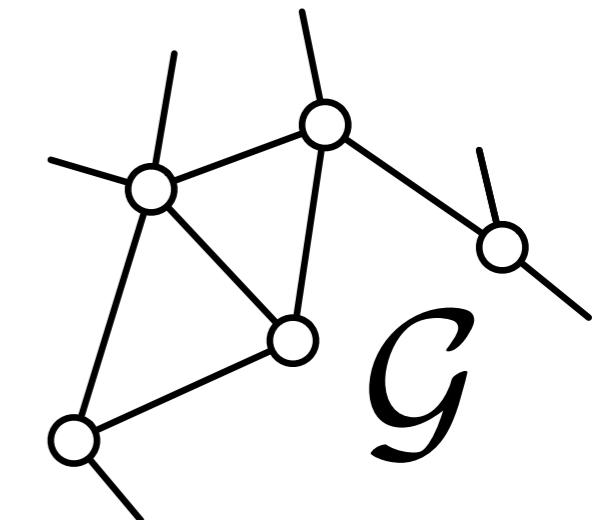
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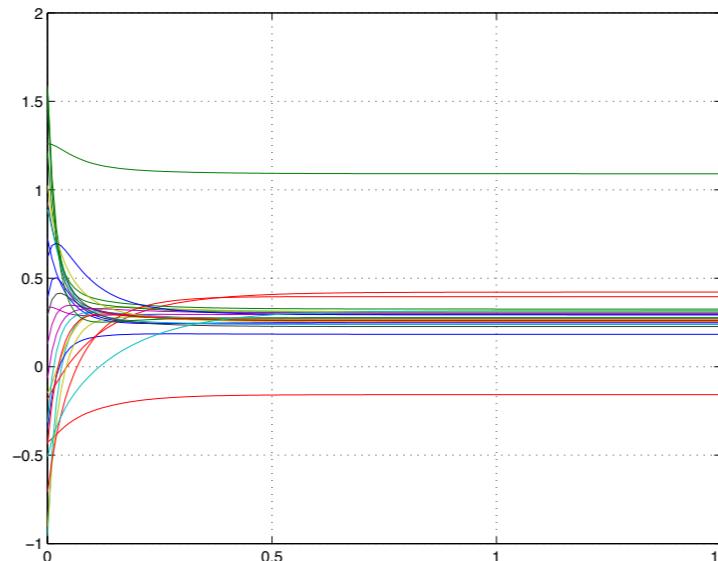
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can we understand spectral properties of the Laplacian from the structure of the graph?



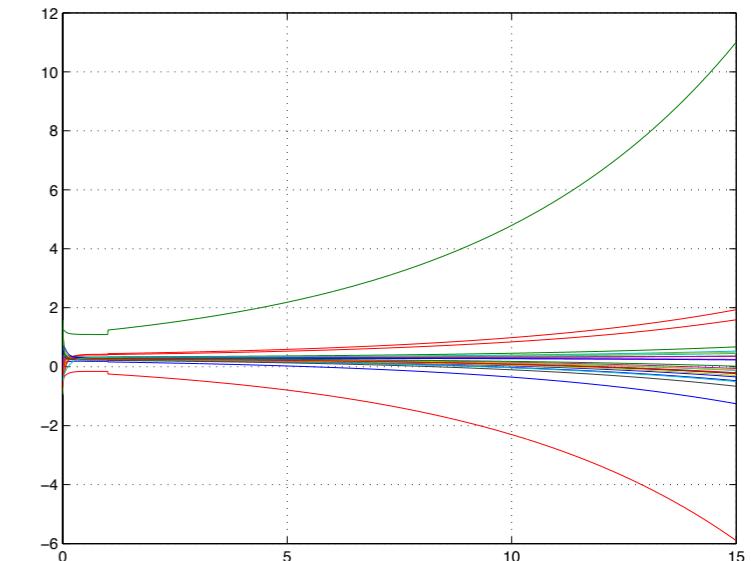
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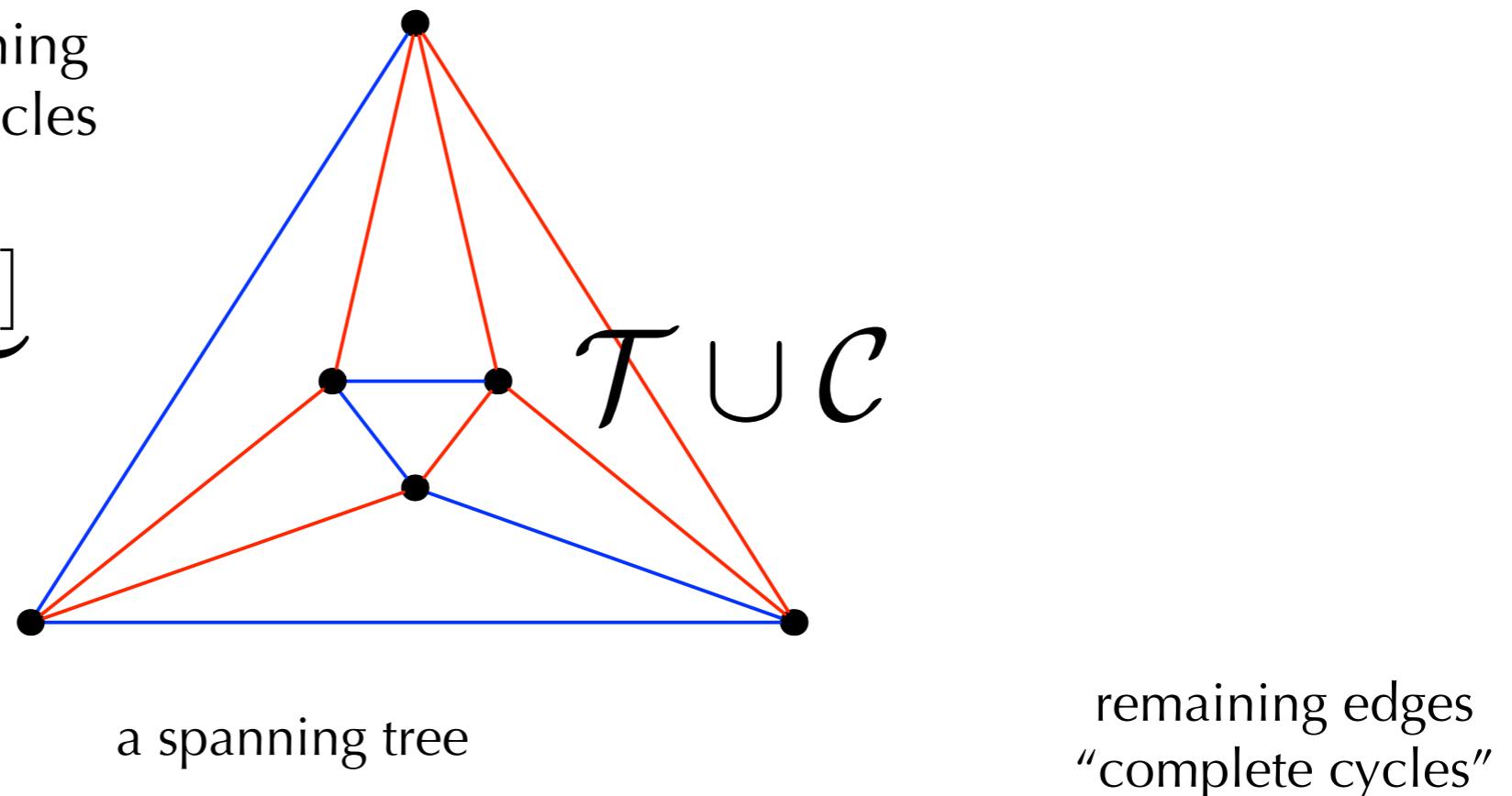


Spanning Trees and Cycles

A graph as the union of a spanning tree and edges that complete cycles

$$E(\mathcal{G}) = E(\mathcal{T}) \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} I & T_{(\mathcal{T}, \mathcal{C})} \\ & \end{bmatrix}}_{\mathcal{R}_{(\mathcal{T}, \mathcal{C})}}$$

$$T_{(\mathcal{T}, \mathcal{C})} = \underbrace{(E_{\mathcal{T}}^T E_{\mathcal{T}})^{-1} E_{\mathcal{T}}^T}_{E_{\mathcal{T}}^L} E(\mathcal{C})$$



Weighted Edge Laplacian

$$L_e(\mathcal{G}) = W^{\frac{1}{2}} E(\mathcal{G})^T E(\mathcal{G}) W^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

$\mathcal{R}_{(\mathcal{T}, \mathcal{C})}$ rows form a basis for the
cut space of the graph

Essential Edge Laplacian

$$L_e(\mathcal{T}) R_{(\mathcal{T}, \mathcal{C})} W R_{(\mathcal{T}, \mathcal{C})}^T$$

similarity between edge
and graph Laplacians

$$L(\mathcal{G})$$

$$L_e(\mathcal{G})$$



Some Properties of $L_e(\mathcal{G})$

Proposition 1 *The matrix $L_e(\mathcal{T})R_{(\mathcal{T},\mathcal{C})}WR_{(\mathcal{T},\mathcal{C})}^T$ has the same inertia as $R_{(\mathcal{T},\mathcal{C})}WR_{(\mathcal{T},\mathcal{C})}^T$. Similarly, the matrix $(L_e(\mathcal{T})R_{(\mathcal{T},\mathcal{C})}WR_{(\mathcal{T},\mathcal{C})}^T)^{-1}$ has the same inertia as $(R_{(\mathcal{T},\mathcal{C})}WR_{(\mathcal{T},\mathcal{C})}^T)^{-1}$.*

Recall: The *inertia* of a matrix is the number of negative, 0, and positive eigenvalues

Proof:

$$L_e(\mathcal{T})R_{(\mathcal{T},\mathcal{C})}WR_{(\mathcal{T},\mathcal{C})}^T \sim L_e(\mathcal{T})^{\frac{1}{2}} R_{(\mathcal{T},\mathcal{C})}WR_{(\mathcal{T},\mathcal{C})}^T L_e(\mathcal{T})^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

$$L_e(\mathcal{T})^{\frac{1}{2}} R_{(\mathcal{T},\mathcal{C})}WR_{(\mathcal{T},\mathcal{C})}^T L_e(\mathcal{T})^{\frac{1}{2}} \text{ is congruent to } R_{(\mathcal{T},\mathcal{C})}WR_{(\mathcal{T},\mathcal{C})}^T$$

congruent matrices have the same inertia



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$$L(\mathcal{G}) \geq 0 \Leftrightarrow R_{(\mathcal{T},\mathcal{C})} W R_{(\mathcal{T},\mathcal{C})}^T \geq 0$$

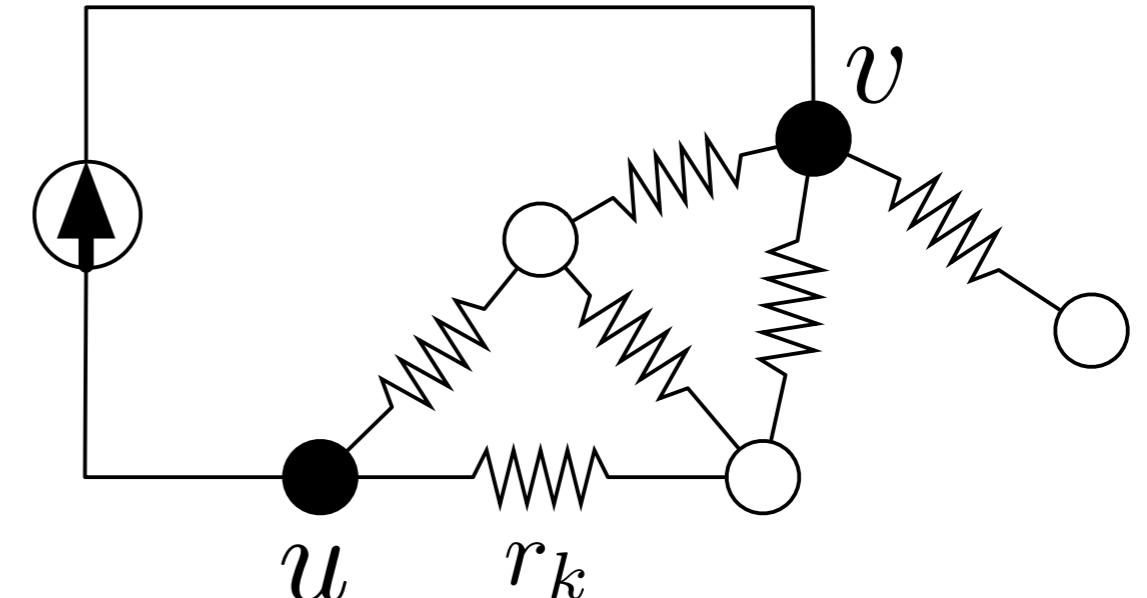
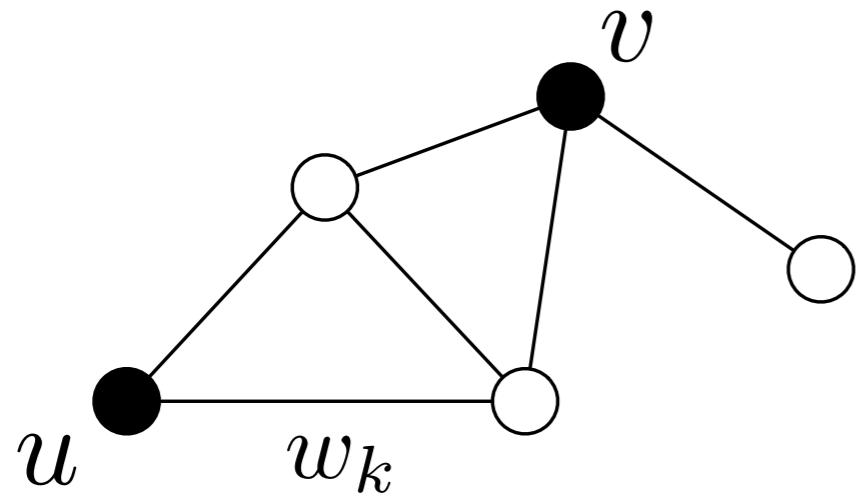
The definiteness of the graph Laplacian can be studied through another matrix!

$$R_{(\mathcal{T},\mathcal{C})} W R_{(\mathcal{T},\mathcal{C})}^T$$



Effective Resistance of a Graph

The **effective resistance** between two nodes u and v is the electrical resistance measured across the nodes when the graph represents an electrical circuit with each edge a resistor



$r_k = \frac{1}{w_k}$ edge weights are the conductance of each resistor

$$r_{uv} = (\mathbf{e}_u - \mathbf{e}_v)^T L^\dagger(\mathcal{G})(\mathbf{e}_u - \mathbf{e}_v)$$

$$= [L^\dagger(\mathcal{G})]_{uu} - 2[L^\dagger(\mathcal{G})]_{uv} + [L^\dagger(\mathcal{G})]_{vv}$$

Klein and Randić
1993



Effective Resistance of a Graph

Proposition 1

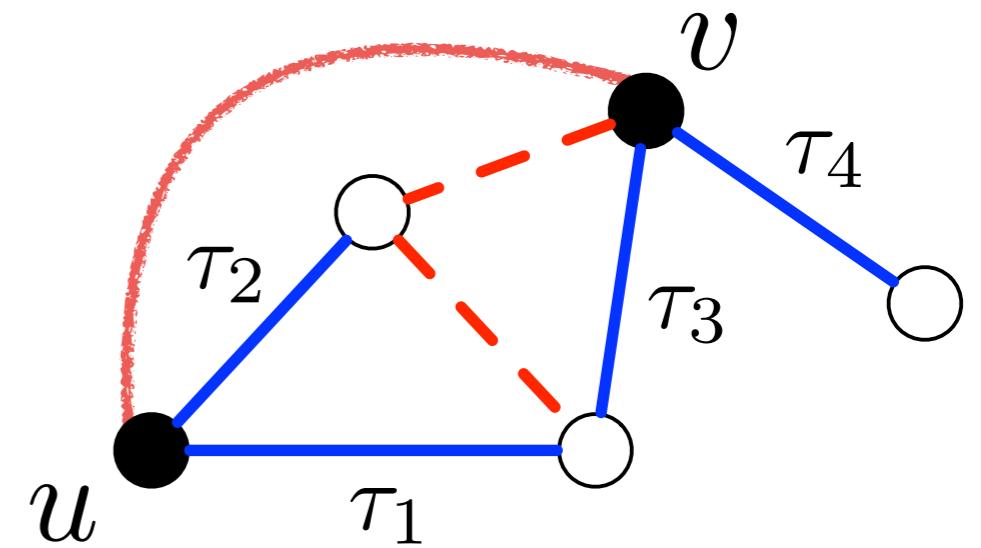
$$L^\dagger(\mathcal{G}) = (E_\tau^L)^T \left(R_{(\tau, \mathcal{C})} W R_{(\tau, \mathcal{C})}^T \right)^{-1} E_\tau^L$$

$$r_{uv} = (\mathbf{e}_u - \mathbf{e}_v)^T L^\dagger(\mathcal{G})(\mathbf{e}_u - \mathbf{e}_v)$$

$$E_\tau^L(\mathbf{e}_u - \mathbf{e}_v) = \begin{bmatrix} \pm 1 \\ 0 \\ \pm 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{matrix} \tau_1 \\ \tau_2 \\ \tau_3 \\ \tau_4 \end{matrix}$$

indicates a path from node u to v using only edges in the spanning tree

$$T_{(\tau, \mathcal{C})} = \underbrace{(E_\tau^T E_\tau)^{-1} E_\tau^T}_{E_\tau^L} E(\mathcal{C})$$

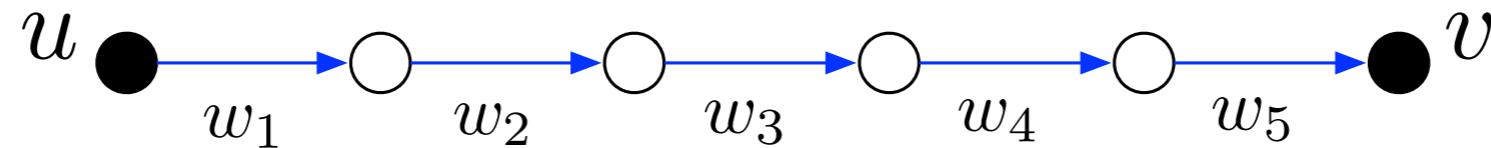


$$\mathcal{G} = \mathcal{T} \cup \mathcal{C}$$



Effective Resistance of a Graph

$$r_{uv} = (\mathbf{e}_u - \mathbf{e}_v)^T (E_{\tau}^L)^T \left(R_{(\tau,c)} W R_{(\tau,c)}^T \right)^{-1} E_{\tau}^L (\mathbf{e}_u - \mathbf{e}_v)$$



$$R_{(\tau,c)} = I$$

$$E_{\tau}^L (\mathbf{e}_u - \mathbf{e}_v) = \mathbb{1}$$

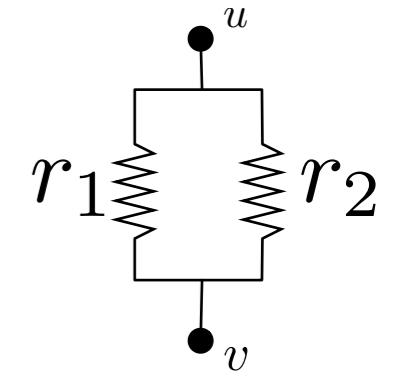
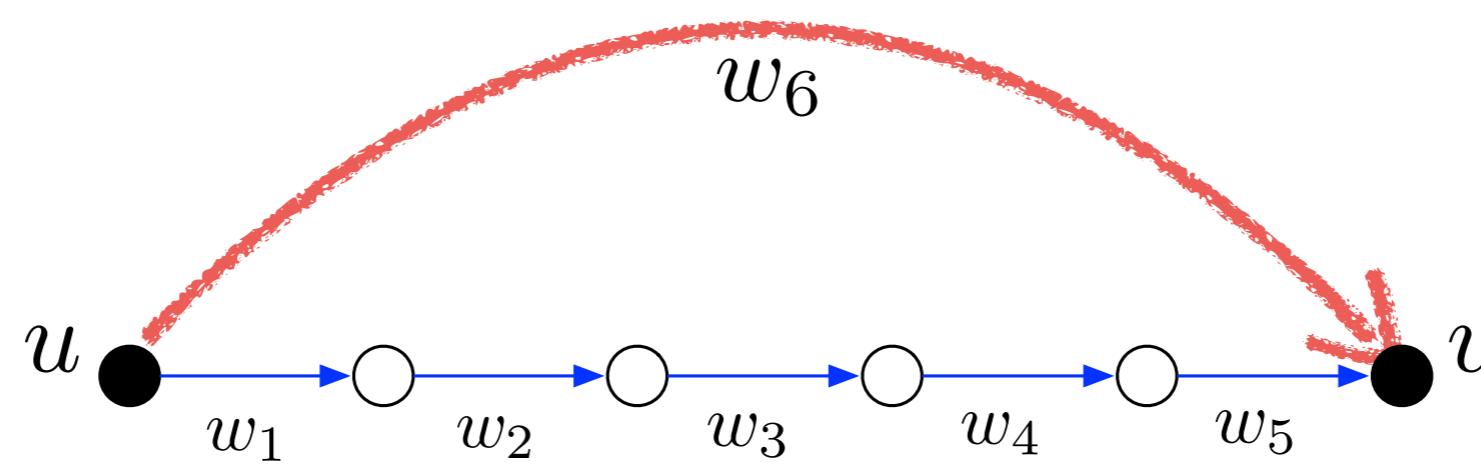
$$r_{uv} = \mathbb{1}^T W^{-1} \mathbb{1} = \sum_{i=1}^5 \frac{1}{w_i}$$

$$r_k = \frac{1}{w_k}$$



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$$r_{uv} = \frac{r_1 r_2}{r_1 + r_2}$$

$$R_{(\tau,c)} = [\begin{array}{cc} I & \mathbb{1} \end{array}]$$

$$r_{uv} = \mathbb{1}^T \left(R_{(\tau,c)} W R_{(\tau,c)}^T \right)^{-1} \mathbb{1}$$

$$E_{\tau}^L (\mathbf{e}_u - \mathbf{e}_v) = \mathbb{1}$$

$$= \mathbb{1}^T (W_{\tau} + w_6 \mathbb{1} \mathbb{1}^T)^{-1} \mathbb{1}$$

$$r_k = \frac{1}{w_k}$$

$$= \frac{(\mathbb{1}^T W_{\tau}^{-1} \mathbb{1}) w_6^{-1}}{\mathbb{1}^T W_{\tau}^{-1} \mathbb{1} + w_6^{-1}}$$

$$W_{\tau} = \text{diag}\{w_1, \dots, w_5\}$$



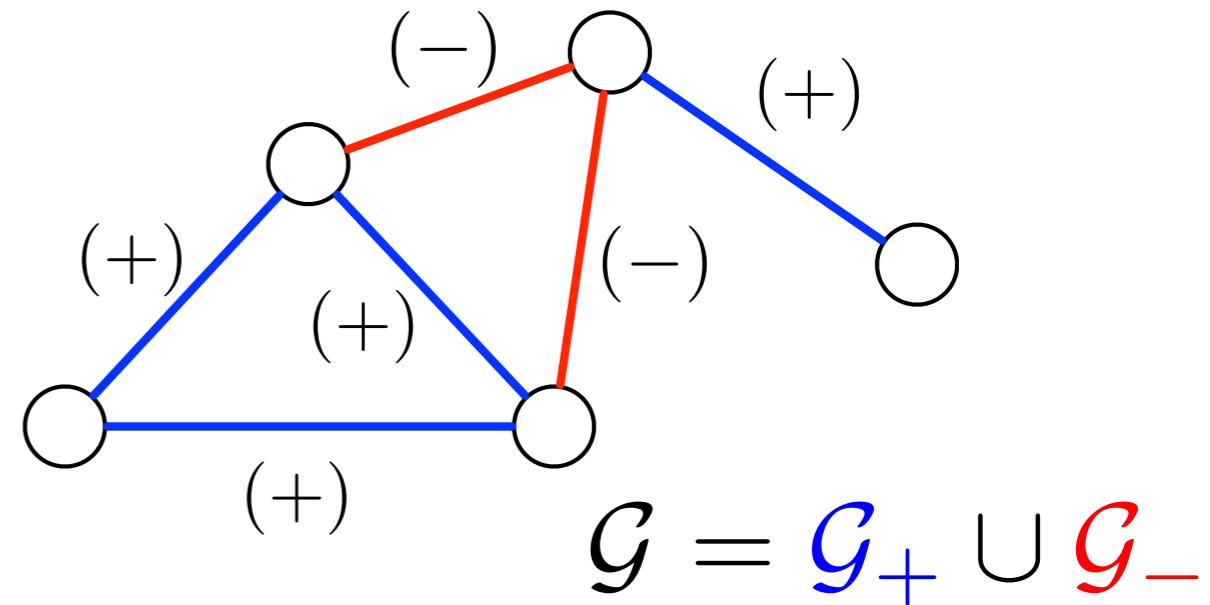
Signed Graphs

a **signed graph** is a graph with positive and negative edge weights

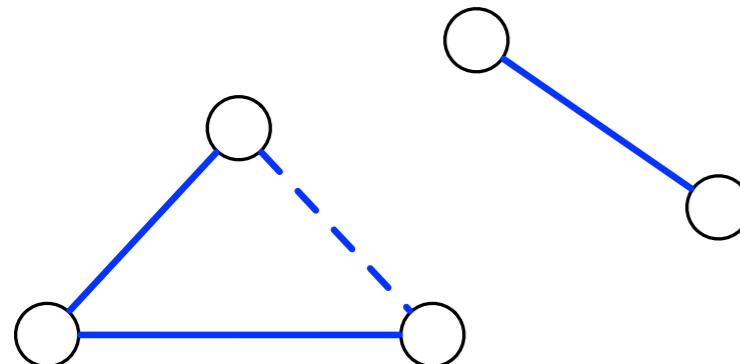
$$\mathcal{G} = (\mathcal{V}, \mathcal{E}, \mathcal{W})$$

$$\mathcal{W} : \mathcal{E} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

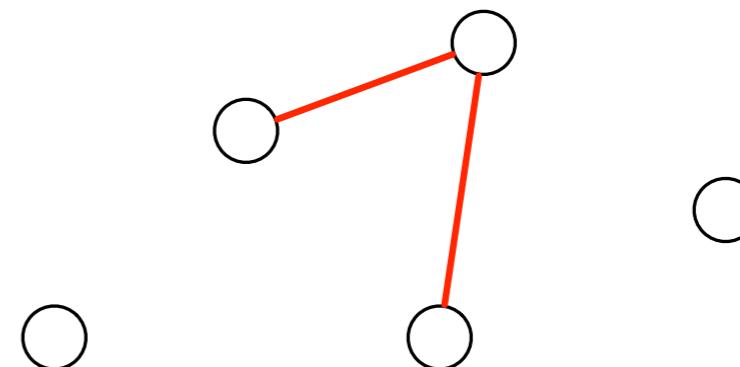
$$\mathcal{E}_+ = \{e \in \mathcal{E} : \mathcal{W}(e) > 0\}$$



$$\mathcal{E}_- = \{e \in \mathcal{E} : \mathcal{W}(e) < 0\}$$



$$E(\mathcal{G}_+) = E_+ = E_{\mathcal{F}_+} R_{(\mathcal{F}_+, c_+)}$$



$$E(\mathcal{G}_-) = E_-$$

$$L(\mathcal{G}) = E(\mathcal{G}_+) W_+ E(\mathcal{G}_+)^T - E(\mathcal{G}_-) |W_-| E(\mathcal{G}_-)^T$$



Spectral Properties of Signed Graphs

Proposition 1

$$L(\mathcal{G}) \geq 0 \Leftrightarrow \begin{bmatrix} |W_-|^{-1} & E_-^T \\ E_- & E_+ W_+ E_+^T \end{bmatrix} \geq 0$$

Proof:

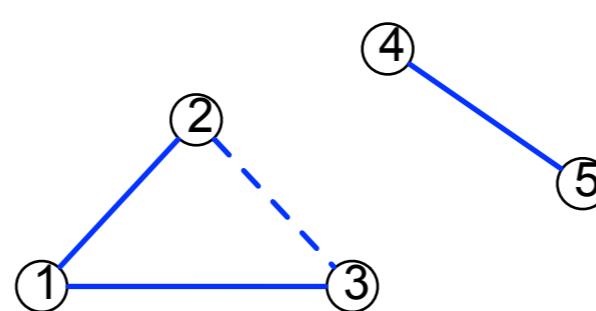
Schur Complement

$$L(\mathcal{G}) = E(\mathcal{G}_+) W_+ E(\mathcal{G}_+)^T - E(\mathcal{G}_-) |W_-| E(\mathcal{G}_-)^T$$

$$E(\mathcal{G}_+) = E_+ = E_{\mathcal{F}_+} R_{(\mathcal{F}_+, c_+)}$$

$$\text{IM}[N_{\mathcal{F}_+}] = \text{span}[\mathcal{N}(E_{\mathcal{F}_+}^T)]$$

Identifies how the positive weight graph is partitioned



$$N_{\mathcal{F}_+} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$



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Proof:

Congruent Transformation $S = \begin{bmatrix} I & 0 \\ 0 & \begin{bmatrix} (E_{\mathcal{F}_+}^L)^T & N_{\mathcal{F}_+} \end{bmatrix} \end{bmatrix}$

If the positive portion weighted graph is connected...

$$N_{\mathcal{F}_+} = \mathbb{1}$$

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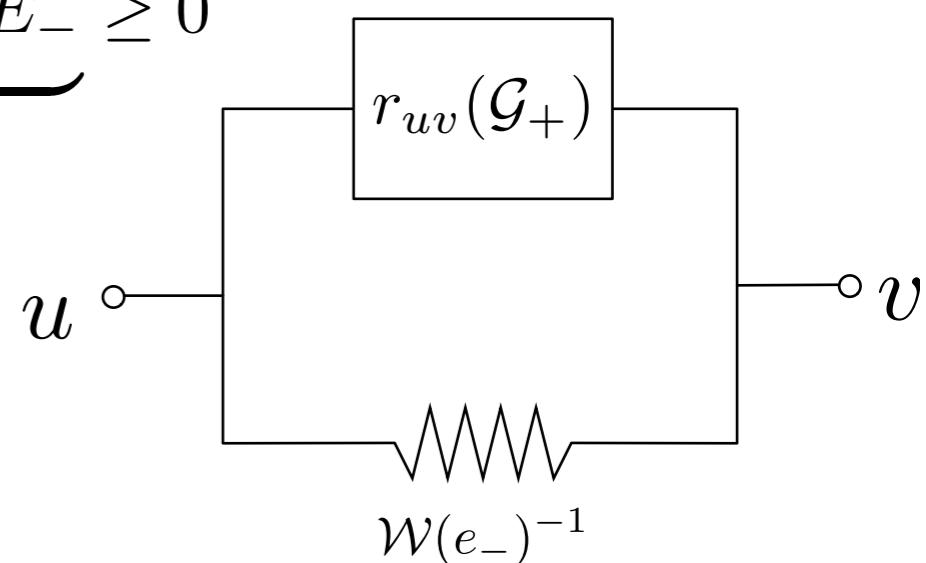
Theorem 1 Assume that \mathcal{G}_+ is connected and $|\mathcal{E}_-| = 1$ and let $\mathcal{E}_- = \{e_- = (u, v)\}$. Let r_{uv} denote the effective resistance between nodes $u, v \in \mathcal{V}$ over the graph \mathcal{G}_+ . Then

$$L(\mathcal{G}) \geq 0 \Leftrightarrow |\mathcal{W}(e_-)| \leq r_{uv}^{-1}$$

Proof:

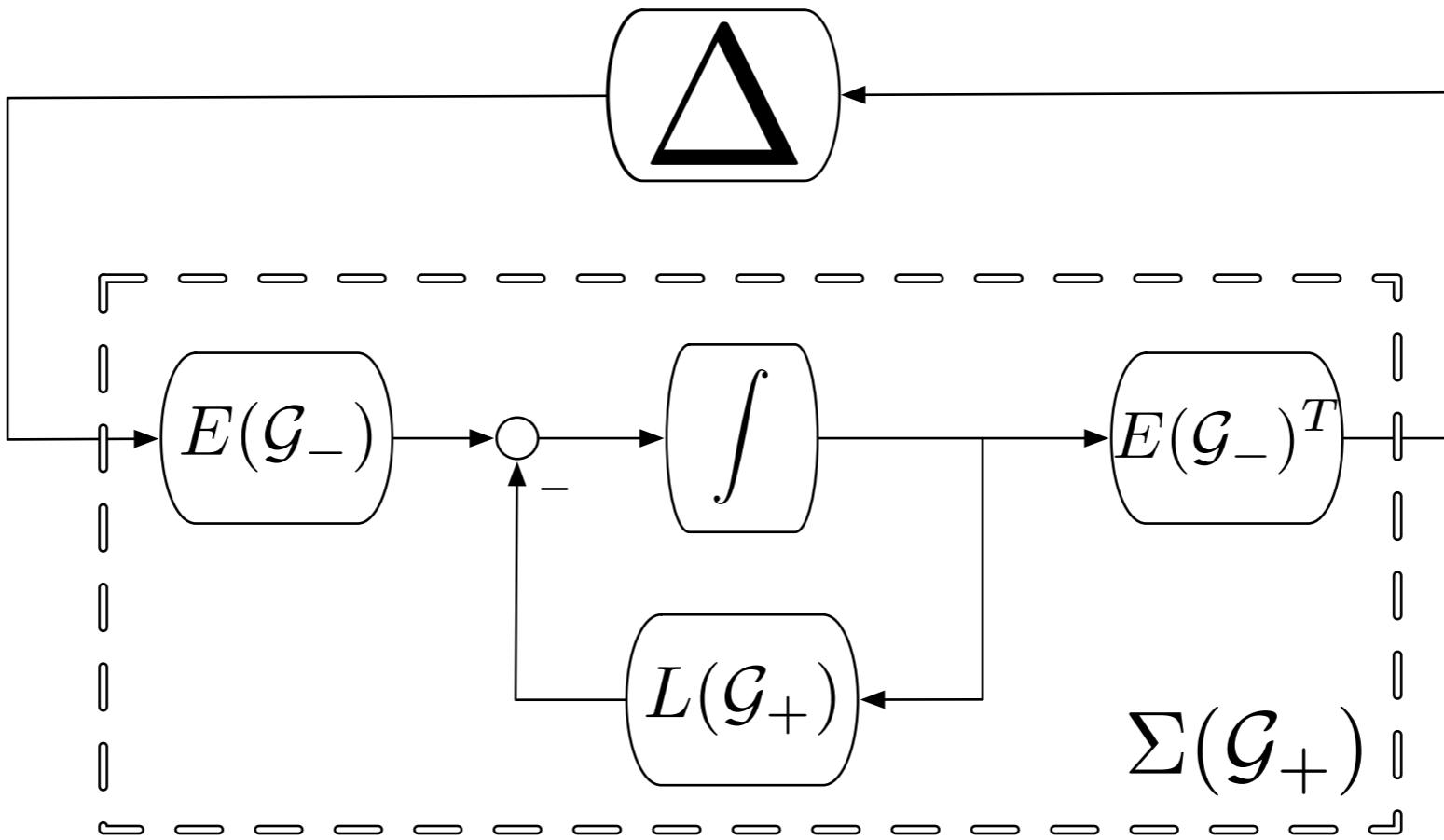
$$|W_-|^{-1} - \underbrace{E_-^T (E_{\mathcal{F}_+}^L)^T (R_{(\mathcal{F}_+, c_+)} W_+ R_{(\mathcal{F}_+, c_+)}^T)^{-1} E_{\mathcal{F}_+}^L E_-}_{r_{uv}(\mathcal{G}_+)} \geq 0$$

any single edge can destabilize
a consensus network with a
“negative enough” edge weight



A Small-Gain Interpretation

$$\mathcal{F}_+ = \mathcal{T}_+$$



Theorem 1 (zelazo '11)

$$\|\Sigma(\mathcal{G}_+)\|_\infty^2 = \overline{\sigma} \underbrace{\left[E_-^T (E_{\mathcal{F}_+}^L)^T \left(R_{(\mathcal{F}_+, c_+)} W_+ R_{(\mathcal{F}_+, c_+)}^T \right)^{-1} E_{\mathcal{F}_+}^L E_- \right]}_{r_{uv}(\mathcal{G}_+)}$$



Spectral Properties of Signed Graphs

Corollary 1 Assume that both \mathcal{E}_+ and \mathcal{E}_- are not empty. If \mathcal{G}_+ is not connected, then $L(\mathcal{G})$ is indefinite for any choice of negative weights.

Proof:

$$\begin{bmatrix} |W_-|^{-1} & E_-^T(E_{\mathcal{F}_+}^L)^T & E_-^T N_{\mathcal{F}_+} \\ E_{\mathcal{F}_+}^L E_- & R_{(\mathcal{F}_+, c_+)} W_+ R_{(\mathcal{F}_+, c_+)}^T & 0 \\ N_{\mathcal{F}_+}^T E_- & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{\text{permutation}}$$

$$\left[\begin{array}{c|c} |W_-|^{-1} & E_-^T N_{\mathcal{F}_+} \\ \hline N_{\mathcal{F}_+}^T E_- & 0 \\ \hline E_{\mathcal{F}_+}^L E_- & 0 \end{array} \right] \quad \left[\begin{array}{c} E_-^T(E_{\mathcal{F}_+}^L)^T \\ 0 \\ R_{(\mathcal{F}_+, c_+)} W_+ R_{(\mathcal{F}_+, c_+)}^T \end{array} \right]$$

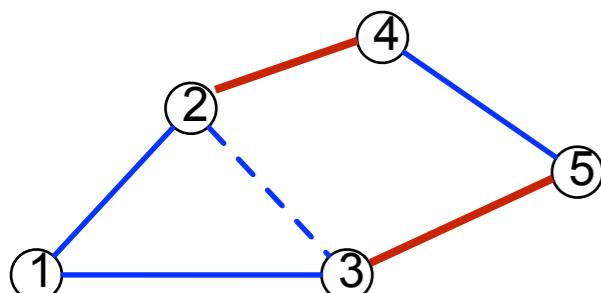
$$[E_-^T N_{\mathcal{F}_+}]_{ik} = \pm 1 \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{if and only if edge } k \\ \text{separates node } u \text{ and } v \end{array} \quad e_k = (u, v)$$



Spectral Properties of Signed Graphs

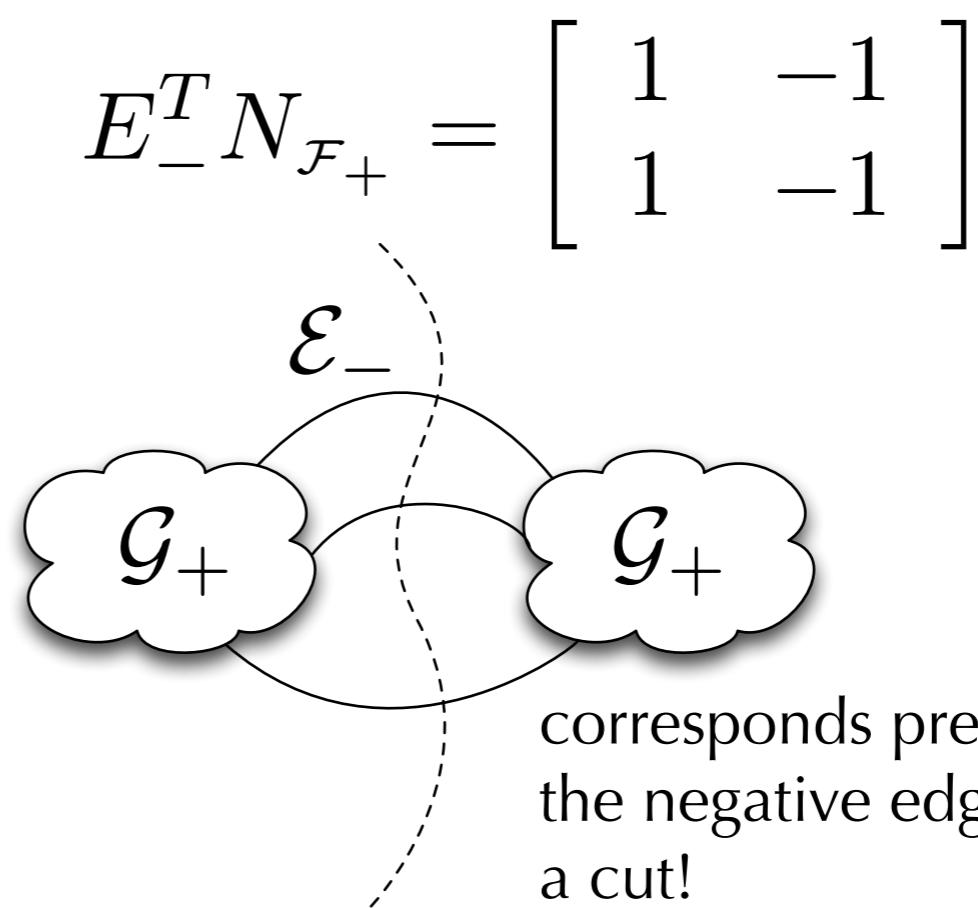
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Proof:



$$N_{\mathcal{F}_+} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$E_- = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$



corresponds precisely to when the negative edge weights form a cut!



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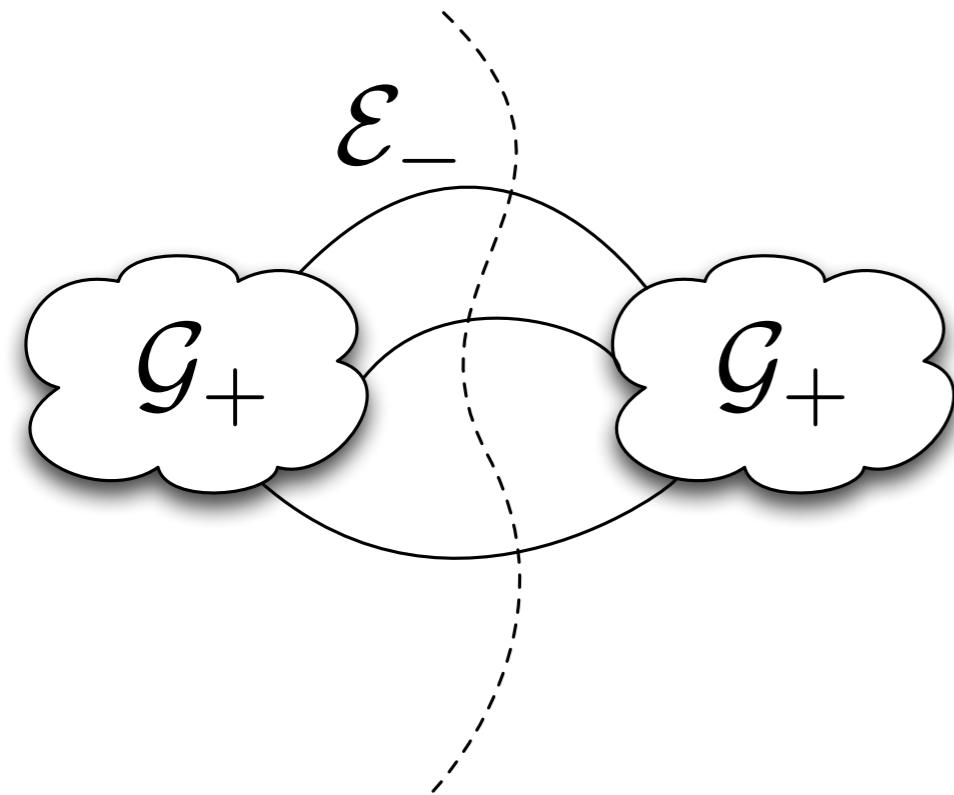
Proof:

$$x^T \begin{bmatrix} |W_-|^{-1} & E_-^T N_{\mathcal{F}^+} \\ N_{\mathcal{F}^+}^T E_- & \mathbf{0} \end{bmatrix} x = \sum_{i \in \mathcal{E}_-} |\mathcal{W}_-(i)|^{-1} x_i^2 + \sum_{k \in \text{CUT}_1} \pm 2x_k x_{m+1} + \cdots + \sum_{k \in \text{CUT}_c} \pm 2x_k x_{m+c}$$
$$< 0$$

$x_i, i = m+1, \dots, m+c$ can be arbitrarily chosen

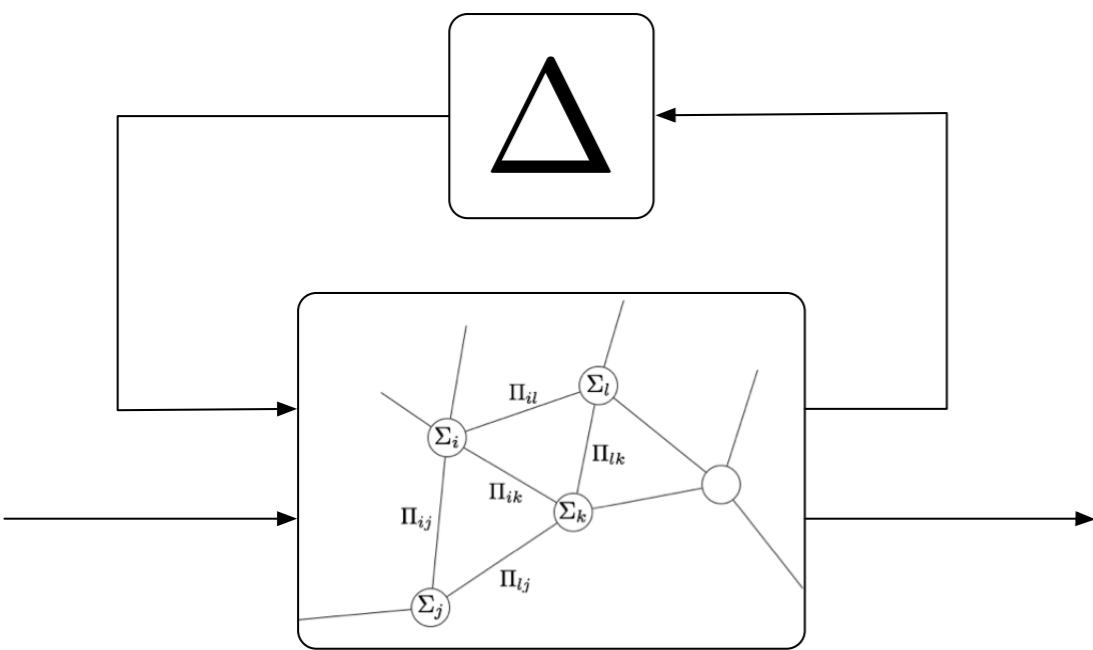


Graph Cuts and Robustness



The smallest cardinality cut of a graph can be thought of as a **combinatorial robustness measure** for linear consensus protocols

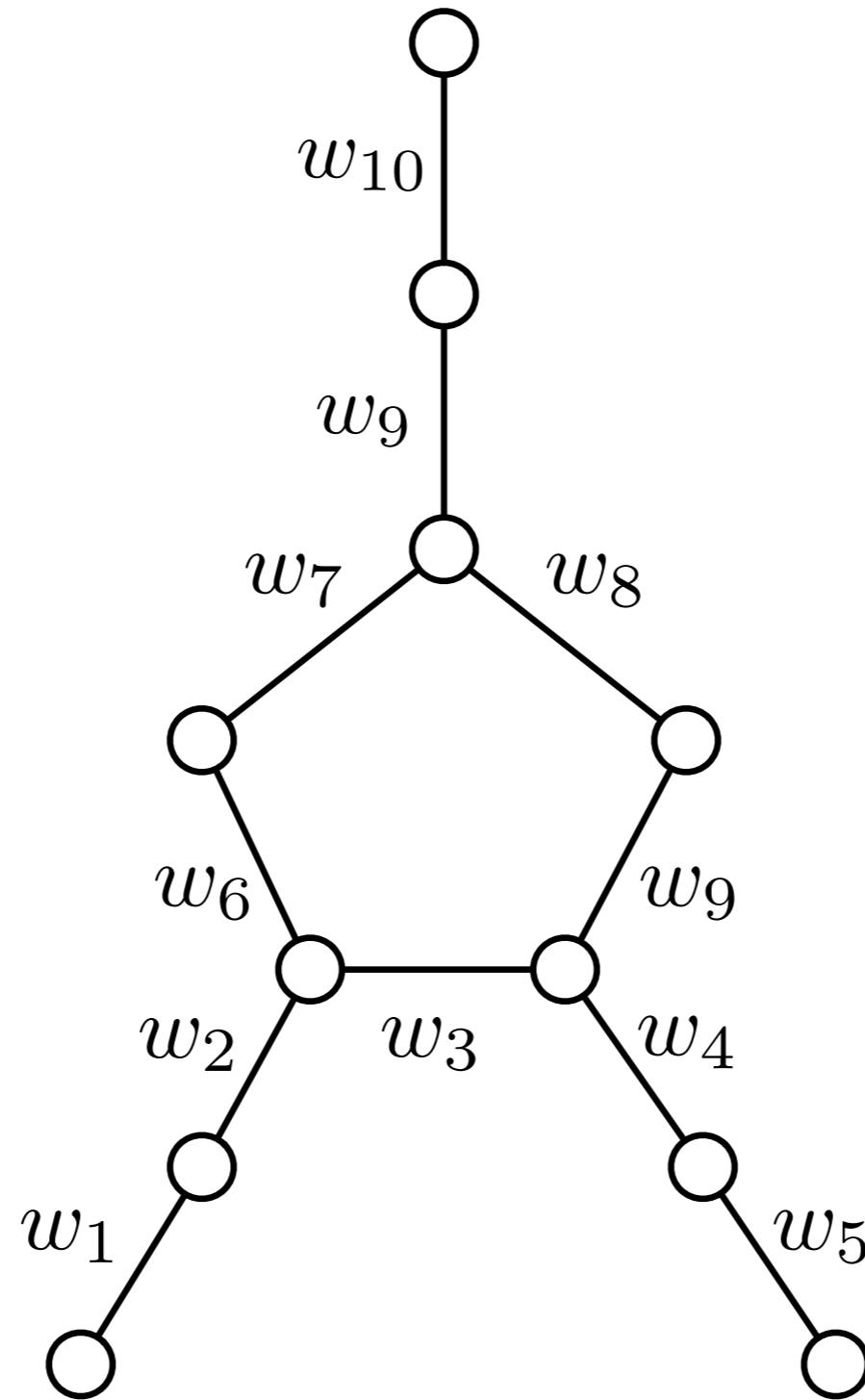
As in the single negative weight edge example, graph cuts act to make an “open circuit”



- max-flow/min-cut algorithms
- minimum cardinality cut algorithms
(Karger)



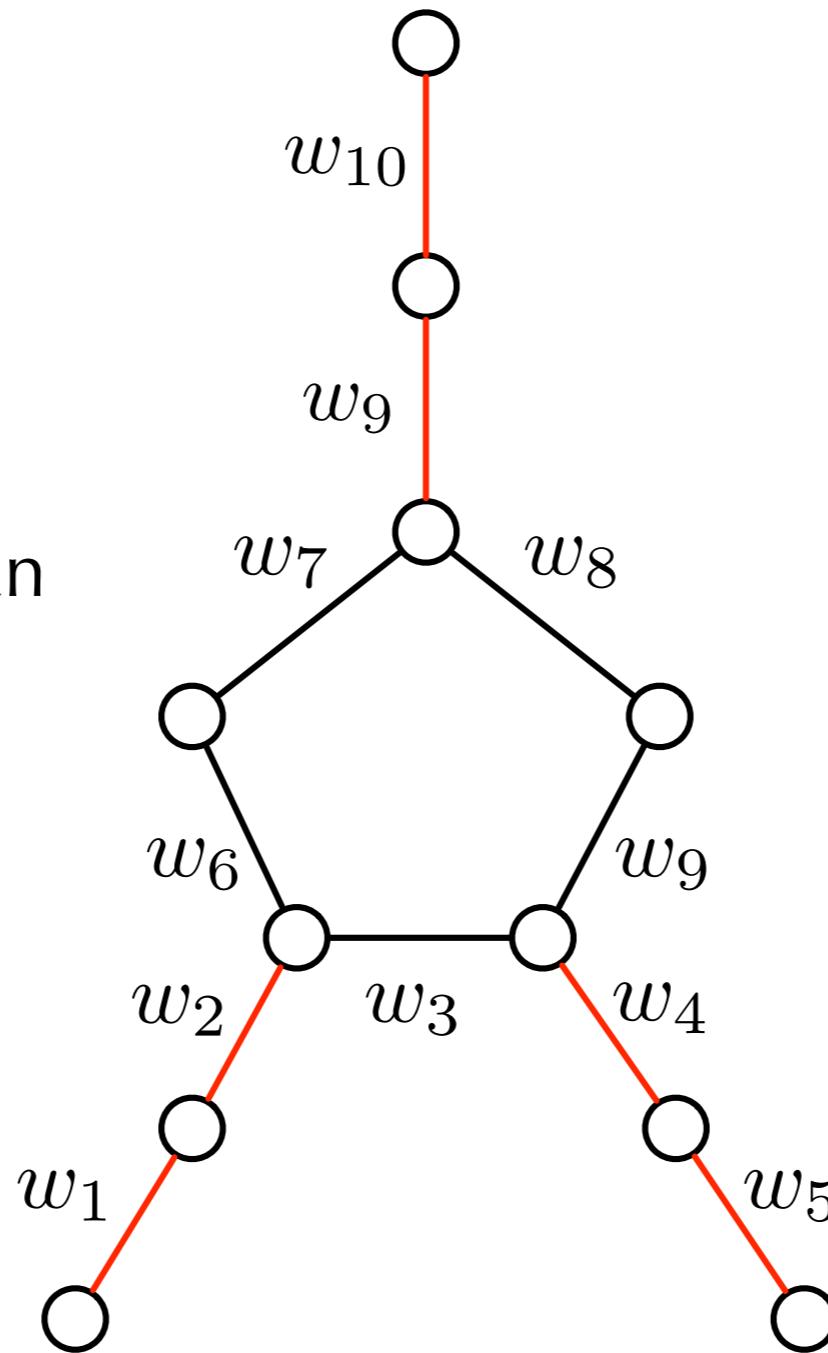
An Illustrative Example



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any single red edge is a cut in the graph

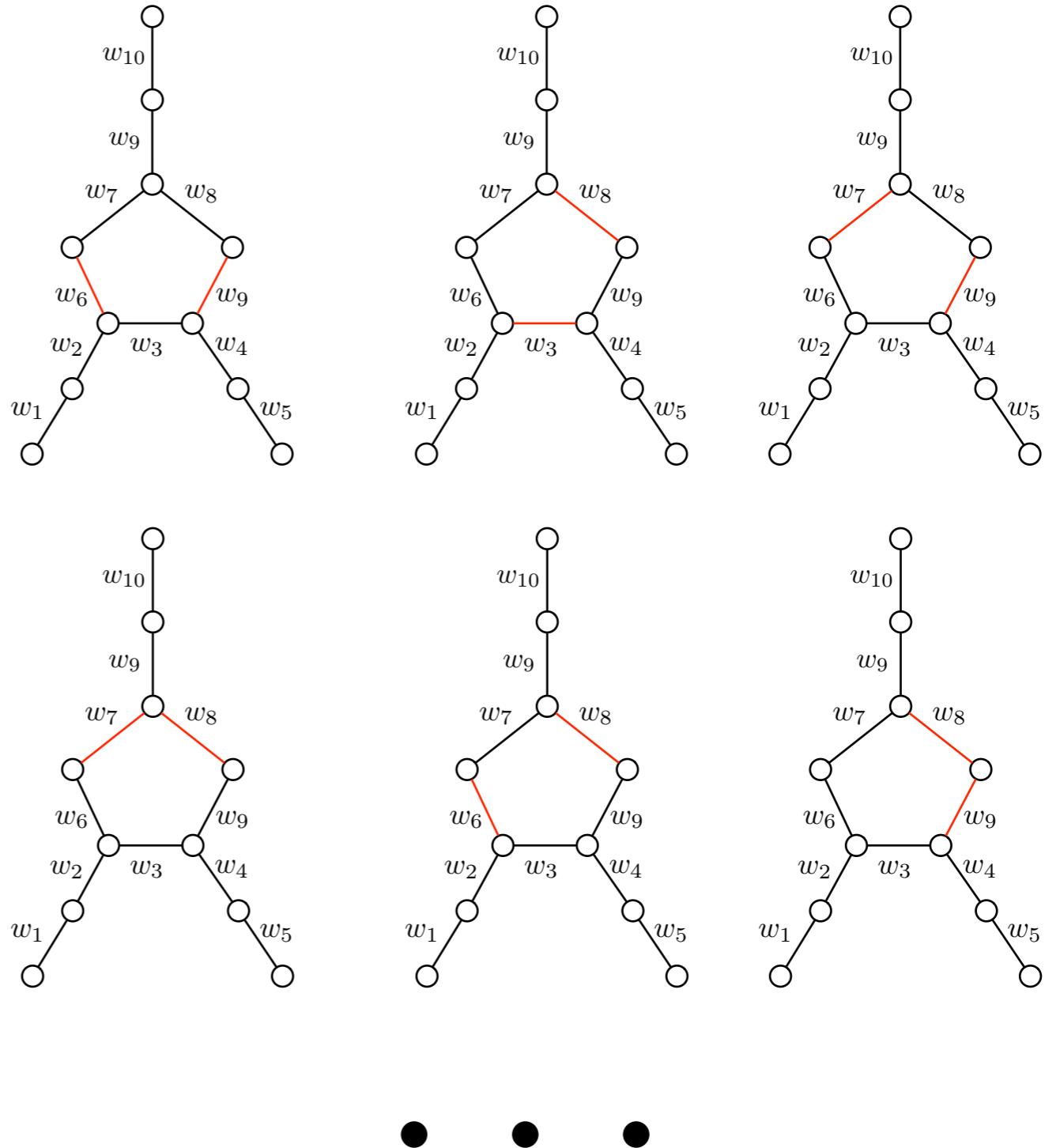
a negative weight on
any red edge leads to an
indefinite graph Laplacian



An Illustrative Example

any two edges on the cycle is a cut in the graph

a negative weight on
any 2 red edge in a cycle
leads to an indefinite graph
Laplacian

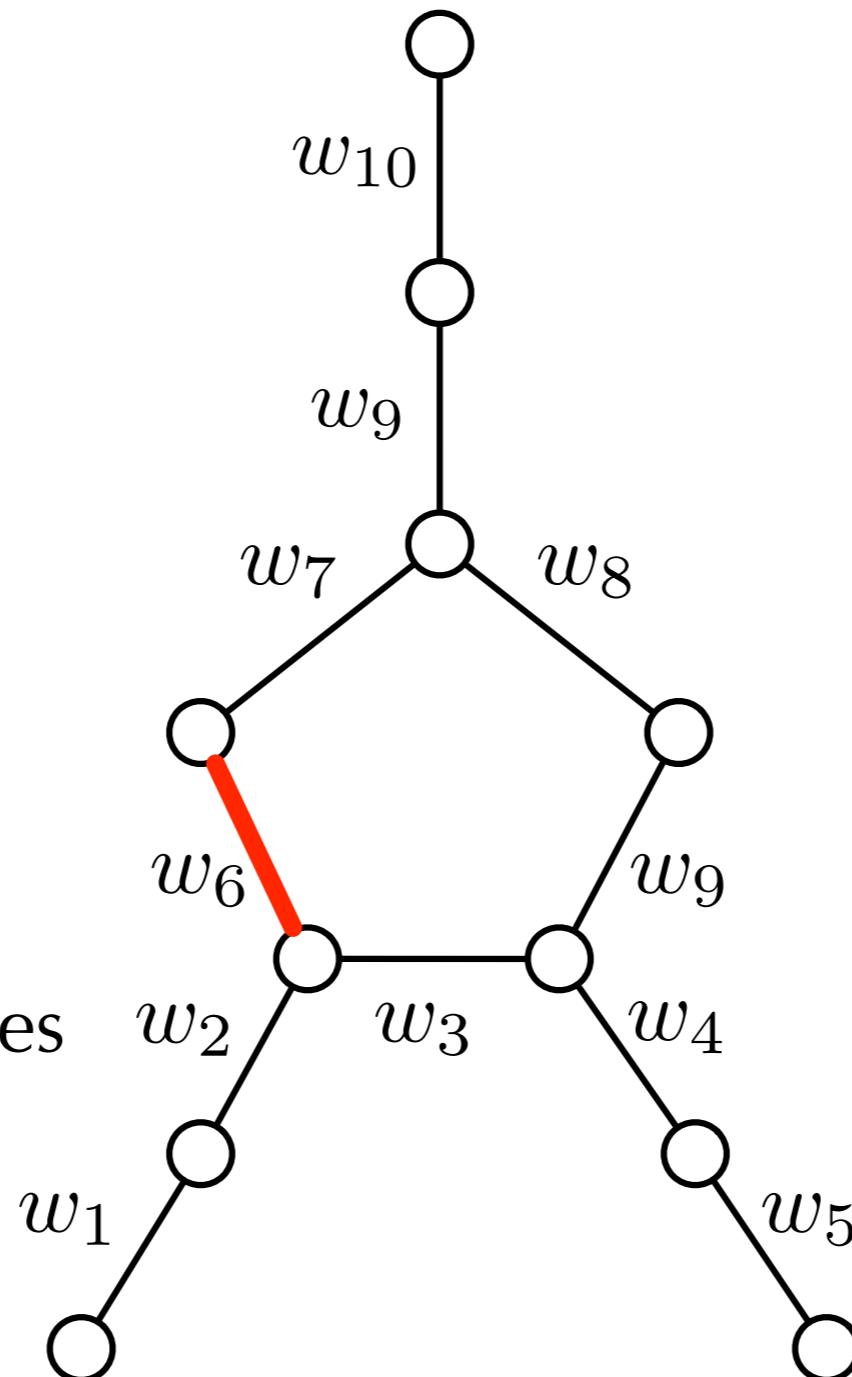


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any single edge in the cycle can make the Laplacian indefinite

$$w_6 = -\frac{1}{r_6} = -\frac{1}{4}$$

$L(\mathcal{G})$ has two eigenvalues at the origin

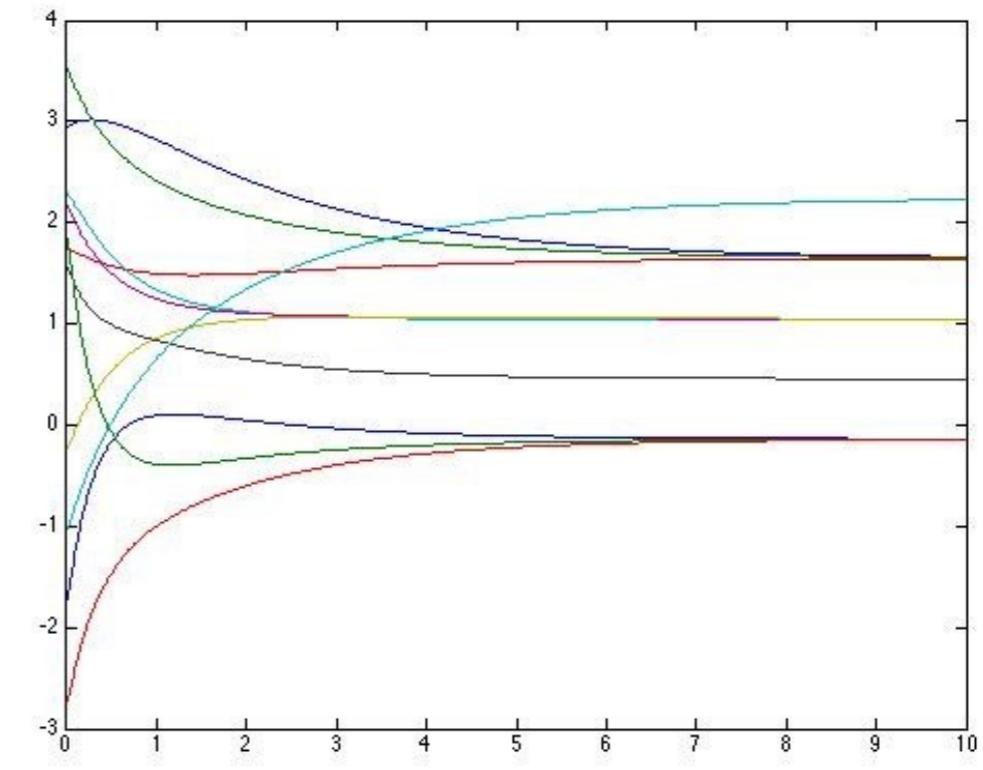
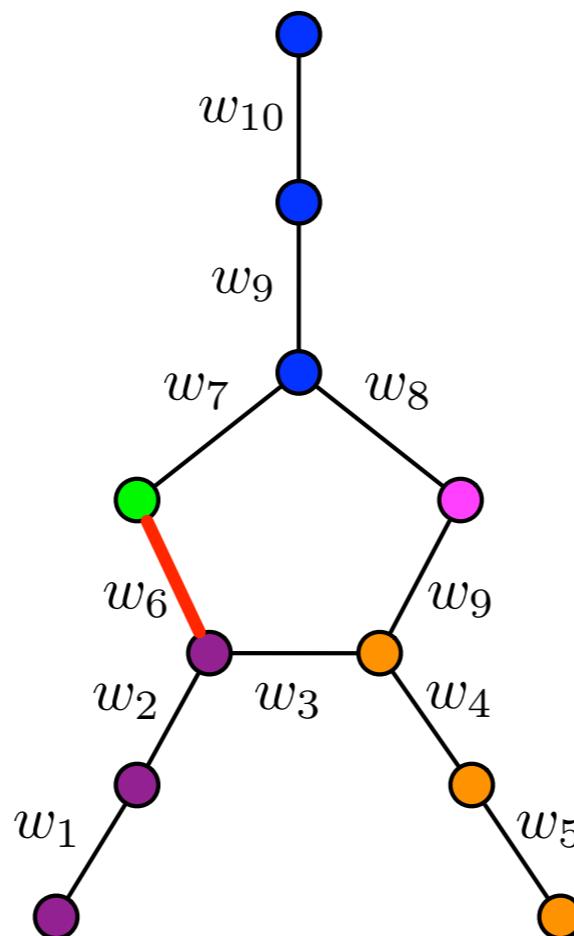


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Computing Negative Weights

$$\begin{array}{ll}\min_{W_-} & \|W_-\|_p \\ \text{s.t.} & \begin{bmatrix} |W_-|^{-1} & E_-^T (E_{\mathcal{F}_+}^L)^T & E_-^T N_{\mathcal{F}_+} \\ E_{\mathcal{F}_+}^L E_- & R_{(\mathcal{F}_+, c_+)} W_+ R_{(\mathcal{F}_+, c_+)}^T & 0 \\ N_{\mathcal{F}_+}^T E_- & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \geq 0\end{array}$$

- infeasible solution —> negative weight edges form a cut of the graph
- norm choice can influence structure of Laplacian spectrum



An Optimization Perspective

Consider the following optimization problem

$$\alpha = \min_x \frac{1}{2} x^T L(\mathcal{G}) x = \min_{y, \zeta} \frac{1}{2} \zeta^T W \zeta$$

s.t. $\zeta = E^T y$

The consensus protocol corresponds to the gradient dynamics

$$\dot{x}(t) = -L(\mathcal{G})x(t)$$

The optimization problem has a bounded solution if and only if the Laplacian is positive semi-definite (i.e. convexity!)

$$\alpha = 0$$

Negative edge weights influence the *convexity* of the quadratic program



Difference of Convex (DC) Program

$$\alpha = \min_{y, \zeta} \frac{1}{2} \zeta^T W \zeta$$

s.t. $\zeta = E^T y$

“edge” “node”
variable variable

$$\alpha = \min_{y, \zeta_+, \zeta_-} \frac{1}{2} \zeta_+^T W_+ \zeta_+ - \frac{1}{2} \zeta_-^T |W_-| \zeta_-$$

s.t. $\zeta_+ = E_+^T y, \zeta_- = E_-^T y$

$$g(y) = \min_{\zeta_+} \frac{1}{2} \zeta_+^T W_+ \zeta_+$$

s.t. $\zeta_+ = E_+^T y$

$$h(y) = \min_{\zeta_-} \frac{1}{2} \zeta_-^T W_- \zeta_-$$

s.t. $\zeta_- = E_-^T y$

$$g^*(u) = \sup_y \{y^T u - g(y)\}$$
$$= \min_{\lambda_+} \frac{1}{2} \lambda_+^T W_+^{-1} \lambda_+$$

s.t. $u = E_+ \lambda_+$

$$h^*(u) = \text{same form}$$



Difference of Convex (DC) Program

A Duality Result

Lemma 1

$$\alpha = \min_u \left\{ \left(\min_{\lambda_-} \frac{1}{2} \lambda_-^T W_-^{-1} \lambda_- \right) - \left(\min_{\lambda_+} \frac{1}{2} \lambda_+^T W_+^{-1} \lambda_+ \right) \right\}$$
$$u = E_- \lambda_-, \quad u = E_+ \lambda_+.$$

Theorem 1

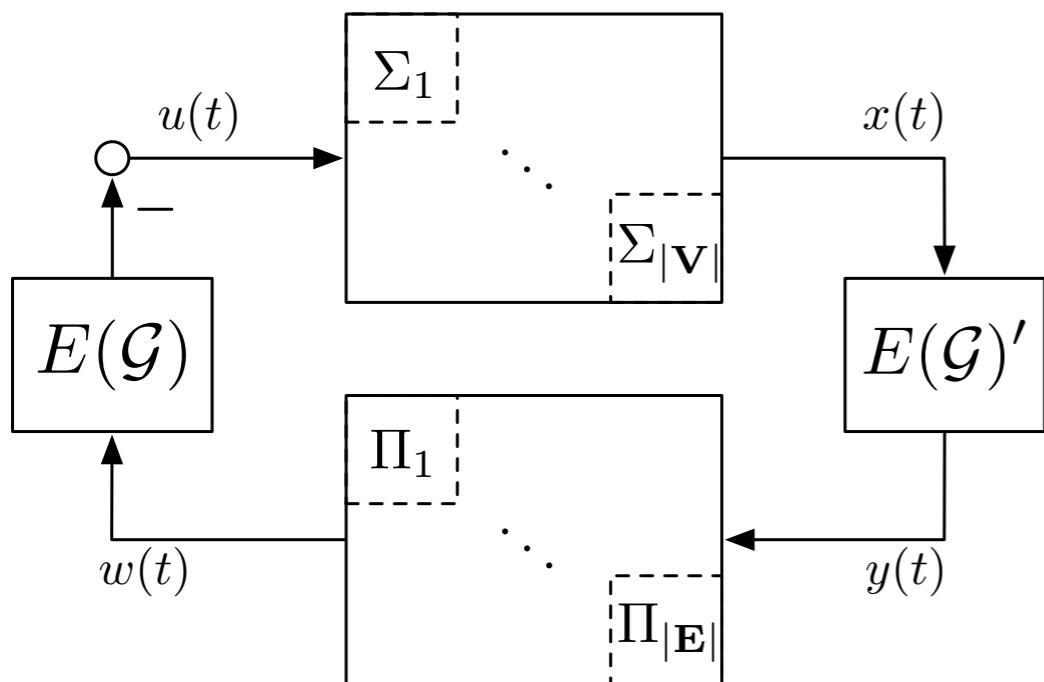
$$L(\mathcal{G}) \geq 0 \Leftrightarrow \alpha = 0$$

What can the optimization perspective tell us?



Duality and Cooperative Control

a “canonical” networked dynamic system



- Passivity Theory
 - equilibrium independent passivity
 - **maximal** equilibrium independent passivity
(dynamic)

duality in convex optimization

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{P} \quad & \min_x \sum_{i=1}^n J_i(x_i) \\ \text{s.t. } & g(x) = 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$\mathcal{L}(x, \lambda) = \sum_{i=1}^n J_i(x_i) + \lambda^T g(x)$$

$$\mathcal{D} \quad \max_{\lambda} \inf_x \mathcal{L}(x, \lambda)$$

- Network Optimization Theory
 - optimal flow problems
 - optimal distribution problems

(static)



Network Optimization Problems

Optimal Flow Problem

$$\begin{aligned} \min_{\mathbf{u}, \boldsymbol{\mu}} \quad & \sum_{i=1}^{|V|} C_i^{div}(\mathbf{u}_i) + \sum_{k=1}^{|E|} C_k^{flux}(\boldsymbol{\mu}_k) \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & \mathbf{u} + E\boldsymbol{\mu} = 0. \end{aligned}$$

- \mathbf{u}_i : *divergence* (in/out-flow) at a node
- $\boldsymbol{\mu}_k$: *flow* on an edge

Optimal Potential Problem

$$\begin{aligned} \min_{\mathbf{y}, \boldsymbol{\zeta}} \quad & \sum_{i=1}^{|V|} C_i^{pot}(\mathbf{y}_i) + \sum_{k=1}^{|E|} C_k^{ten}(\boldsymbol{\zeta}_k) \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & \boldsymbol{\zeta} = E^\top \mathbf{y}. \end{aligned}$$

- \mathbf{y}_i : *potential* at a node
- $\boldsymbol{\zeta}_k$: *tension* (potential difference) on an edge

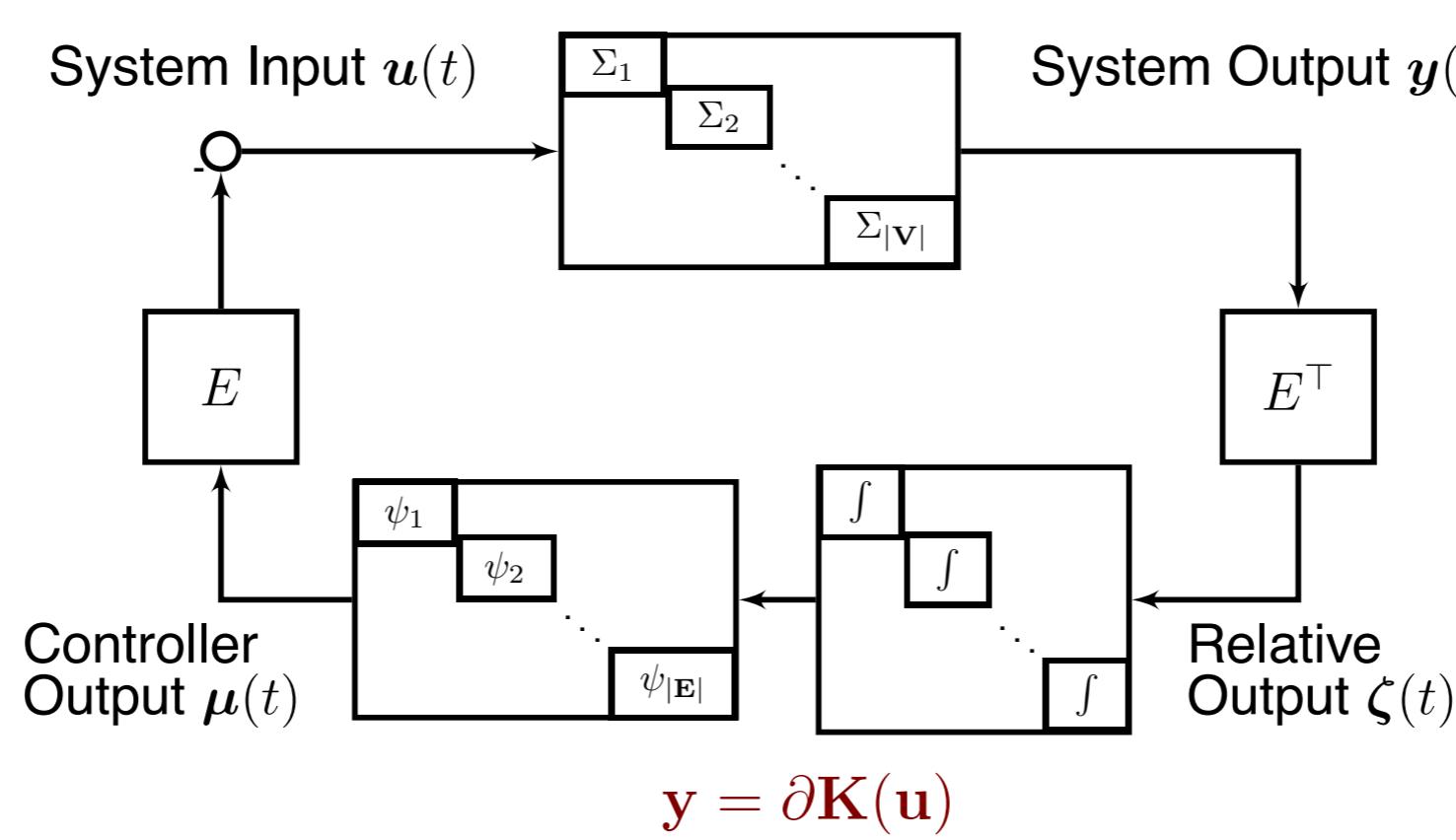
Dual Optimization Problems
defined over the “same” network

$$C_i^{pot}(\mathbf{y}_i) := C_i^{div,*} = - \inf_{\tilde{\mathbf{u}}_i} \{ C_i^{div}(\tilde{\mathbf{u}}_i) - \mathbf{y}_i \tilde{\mathbf{u}}_i \}$$



Duality and Cooperative Control

$$\begin{aligned} \min_{\mathbf{u}, \mu} \quad & \sum_{i=1}^{|V|} K_i(u_i) \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & \mathbf{u} + E\mu = 0. \end{aligned}$$



$$\mathbf{y} = \partial \mathbf{K}(\mathbf{u})$$

Divergence \mathbf{u} ————— Potential \mathbf{y}

$$\mathbf{u} = -E\mu$$

$$\begin{aligned} \min_{\mu} \quad & \sum_{k=1}^{|E|} P_k^*(\mu_k) \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & \mathbf{u} + E\mu = 0, \end{aligned}$$

Flow μ ————— Tension η

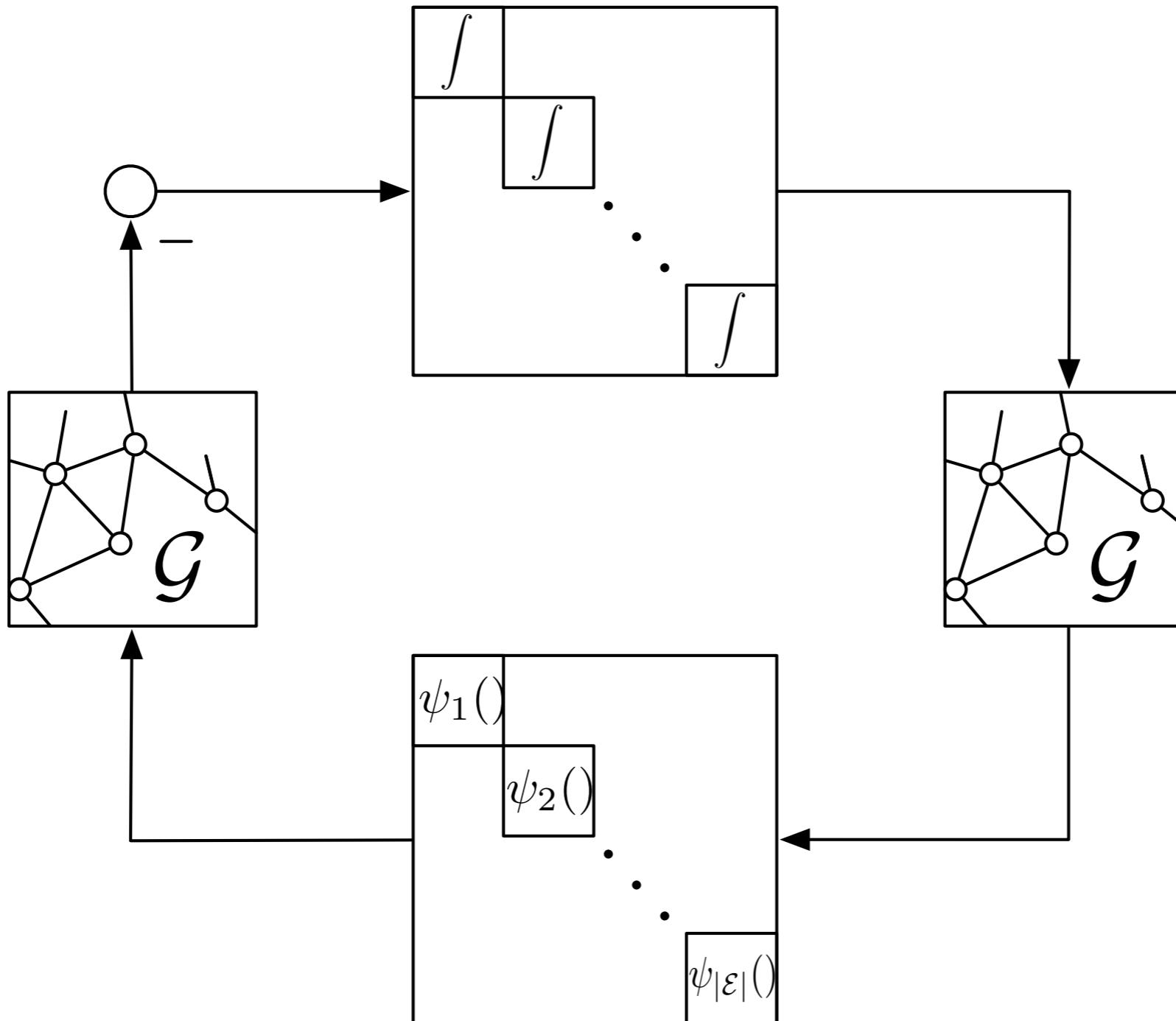
$$\mu = \nabla \mathbf{P}(\eta)$$

$$\zeta = E^\top \mathbf{v}$$

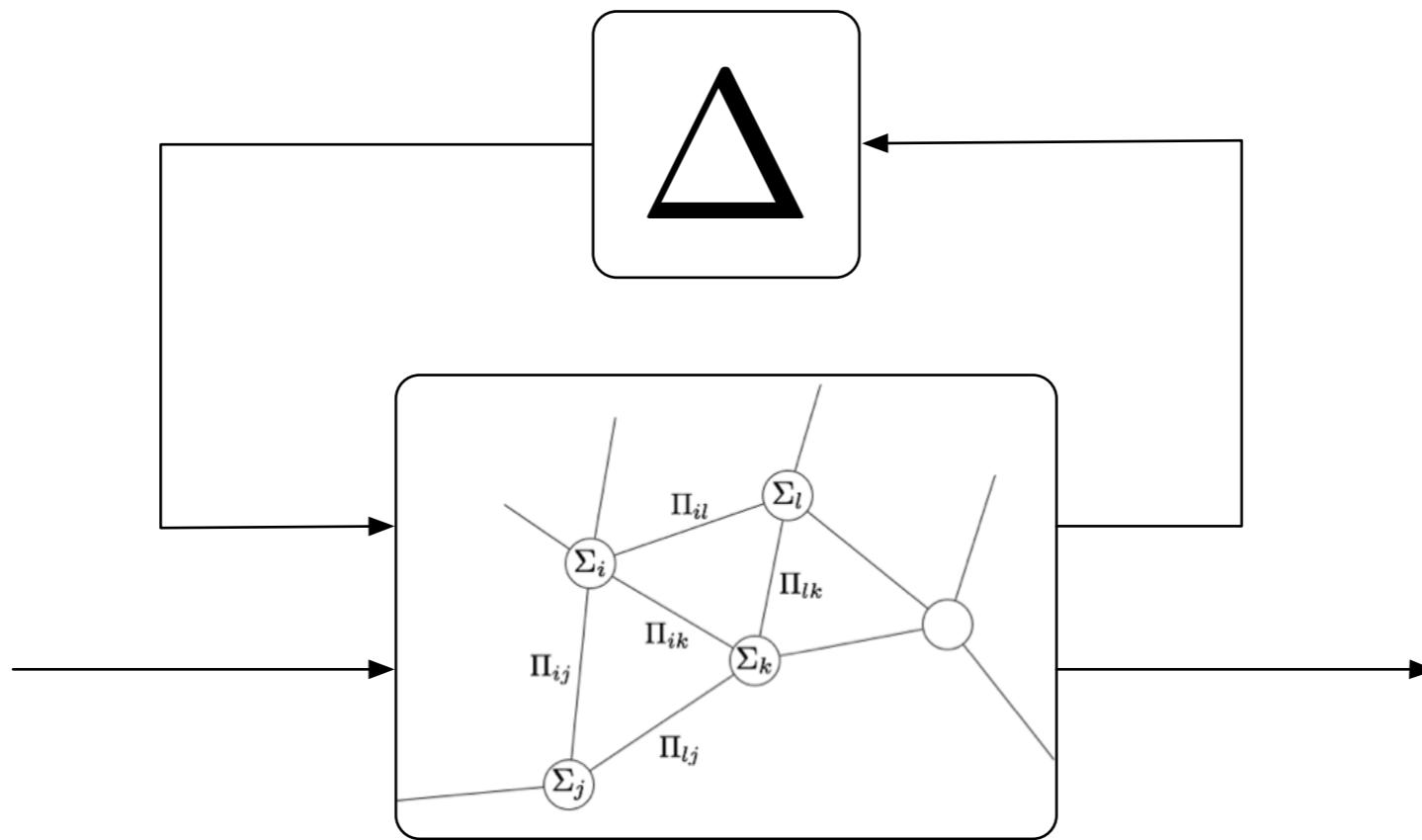
$$\begin{aligned} \min_{\eta, \mathbf{v}} \quad & \sum_{k=1}^{|E|} P_k(\eta_k) - \sum_{i=1}^{|V|} \mathbf{u}_i \mathbf{v}_i, \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & \eta = E^\top \mathbf{v}. \end{aligned}$$



Nonlinear Consensus



Concluding Remarks



- networked dynamic systems require new tools for robustness analysis
- graph properties have real system theoretic implications



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Questions?

