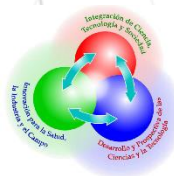


Self-optimization for transdisciplinary intervention

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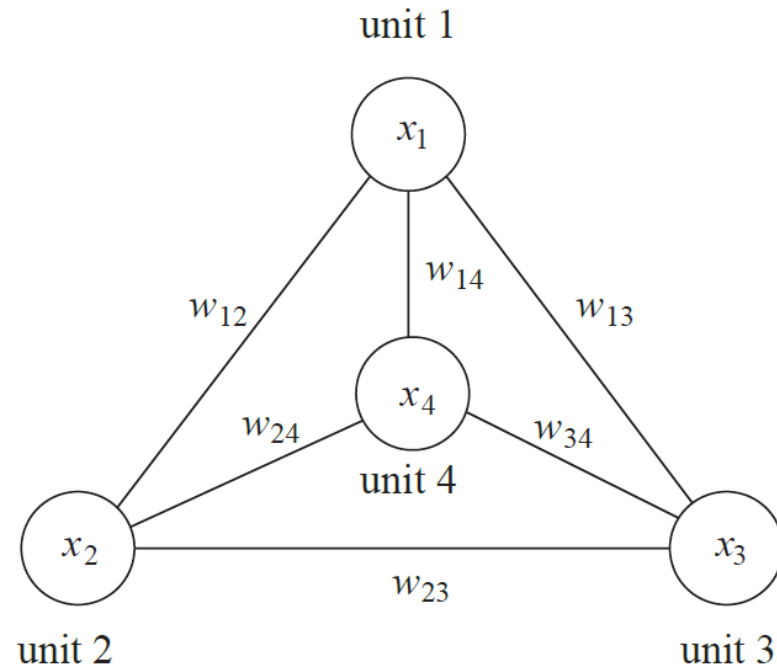
Public policy making



Complex adaptive systems

Hopfield networks

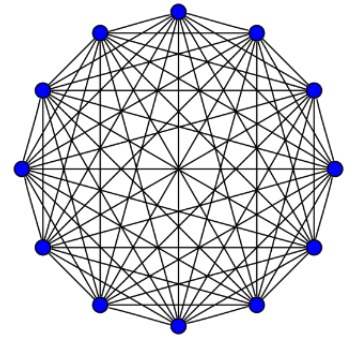
Hopfield networks



- Recurrent neural networks
- Neurons with two values of activity (-1 and 1)
- Optimization, associative memory

Little (1974), Hopfield (1982)

Self-optimization on Hopfield networks

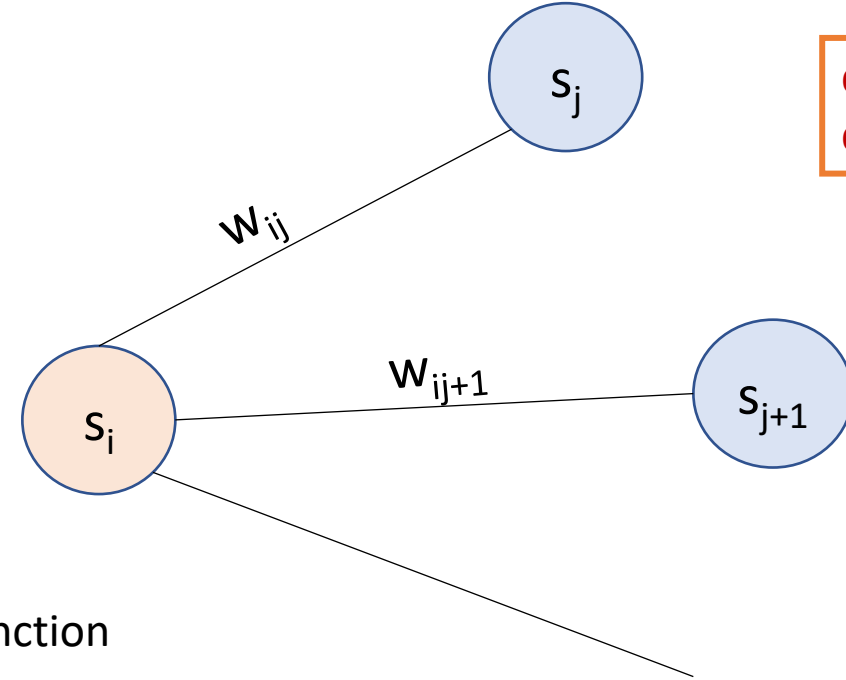


**discrete-time
discrete-state**

- Asynchronous state updates

$$s_i(t+1) = \theta \left[\sum_j^N w_{ij} s_j(t) \right]$$

$$s_i = \pm 1 \quad w_{ij} > 0$$

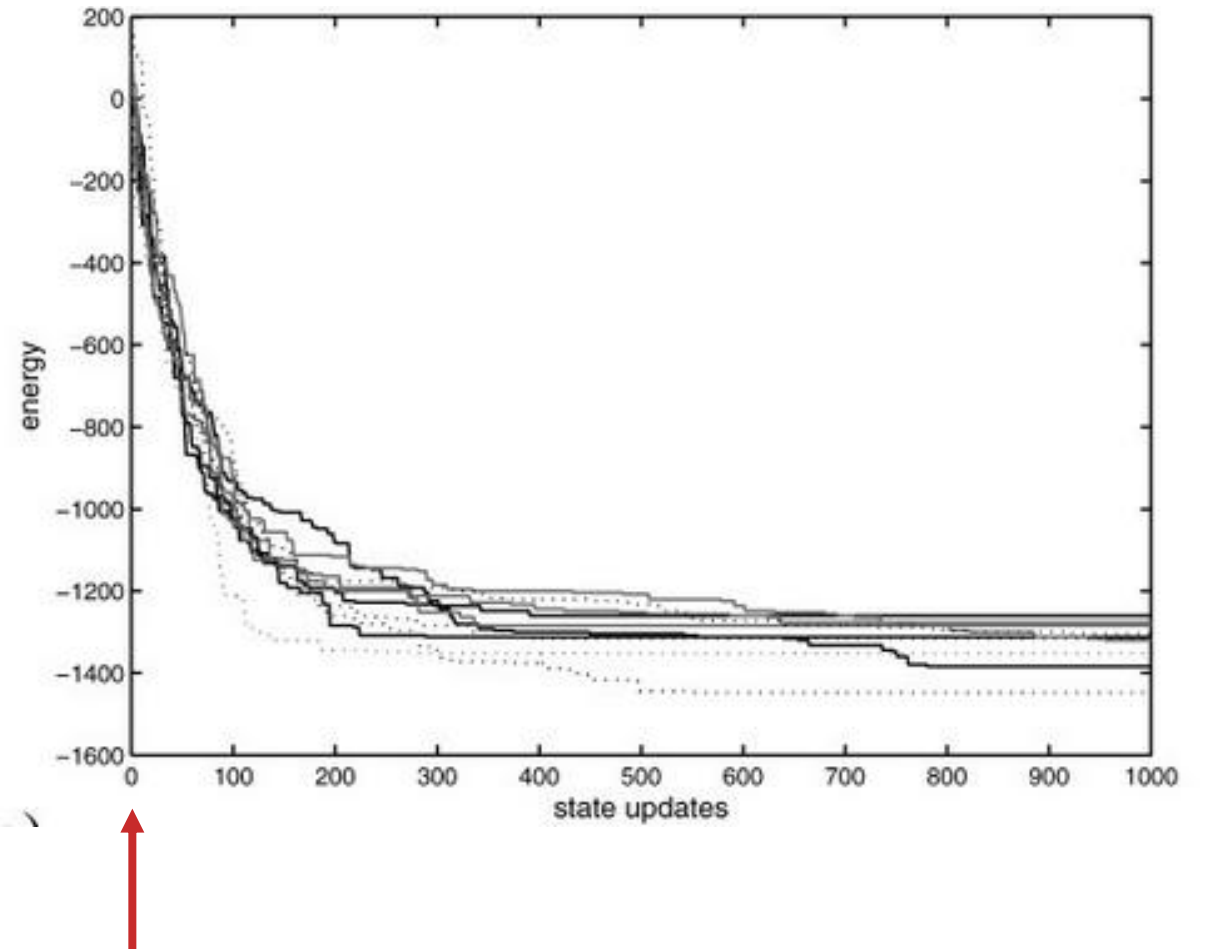


- Constraint satisfaction

$$s_i s_j w_{ij} > 0 \quad \longrightarrow \quad E = - \sum_{ij}^N w_{ij}^O(t) s_i(t) s_j(t) \quad \dots$$

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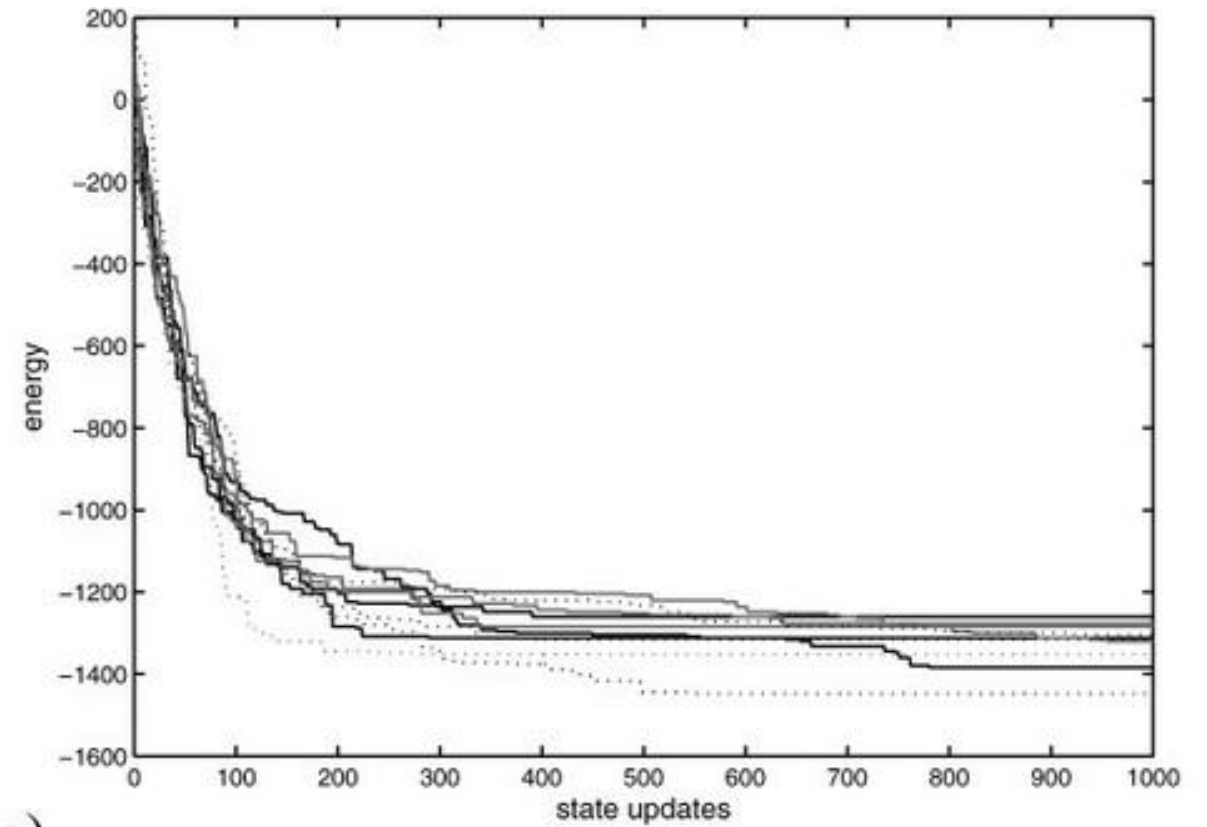


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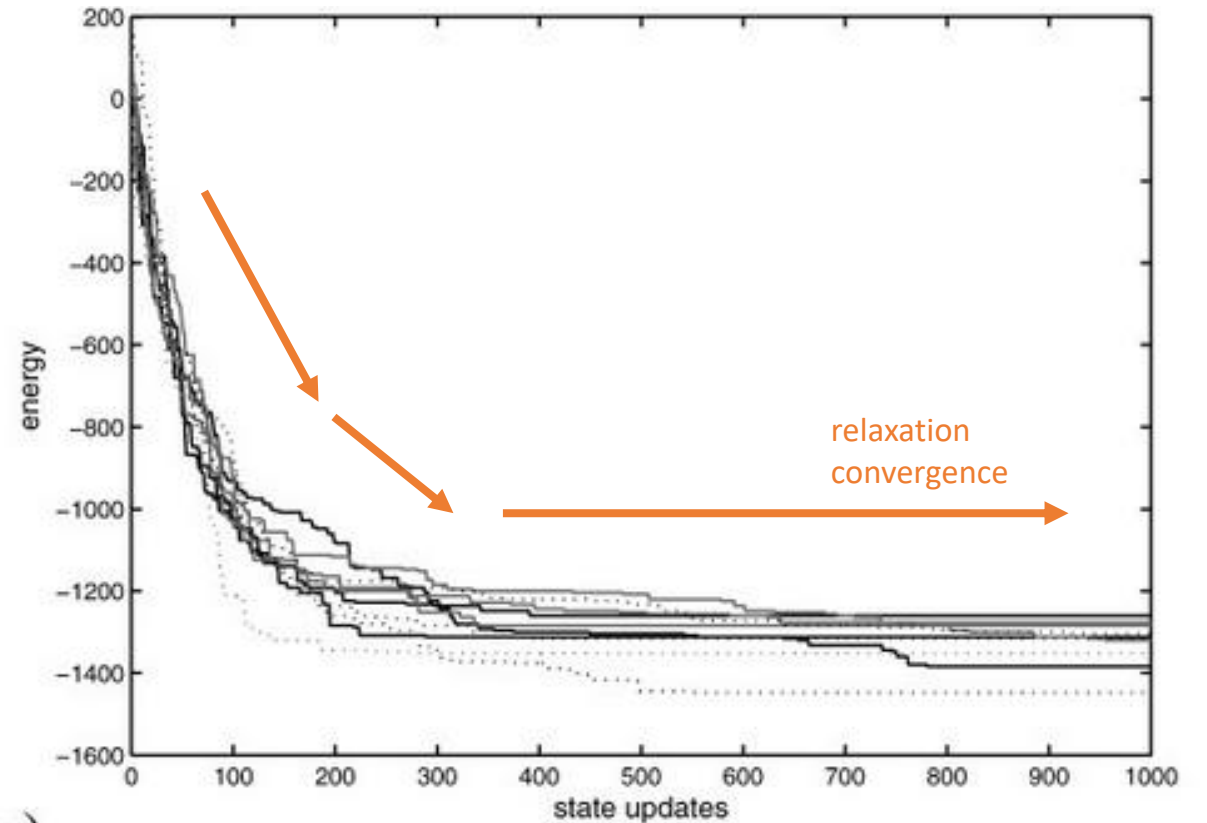


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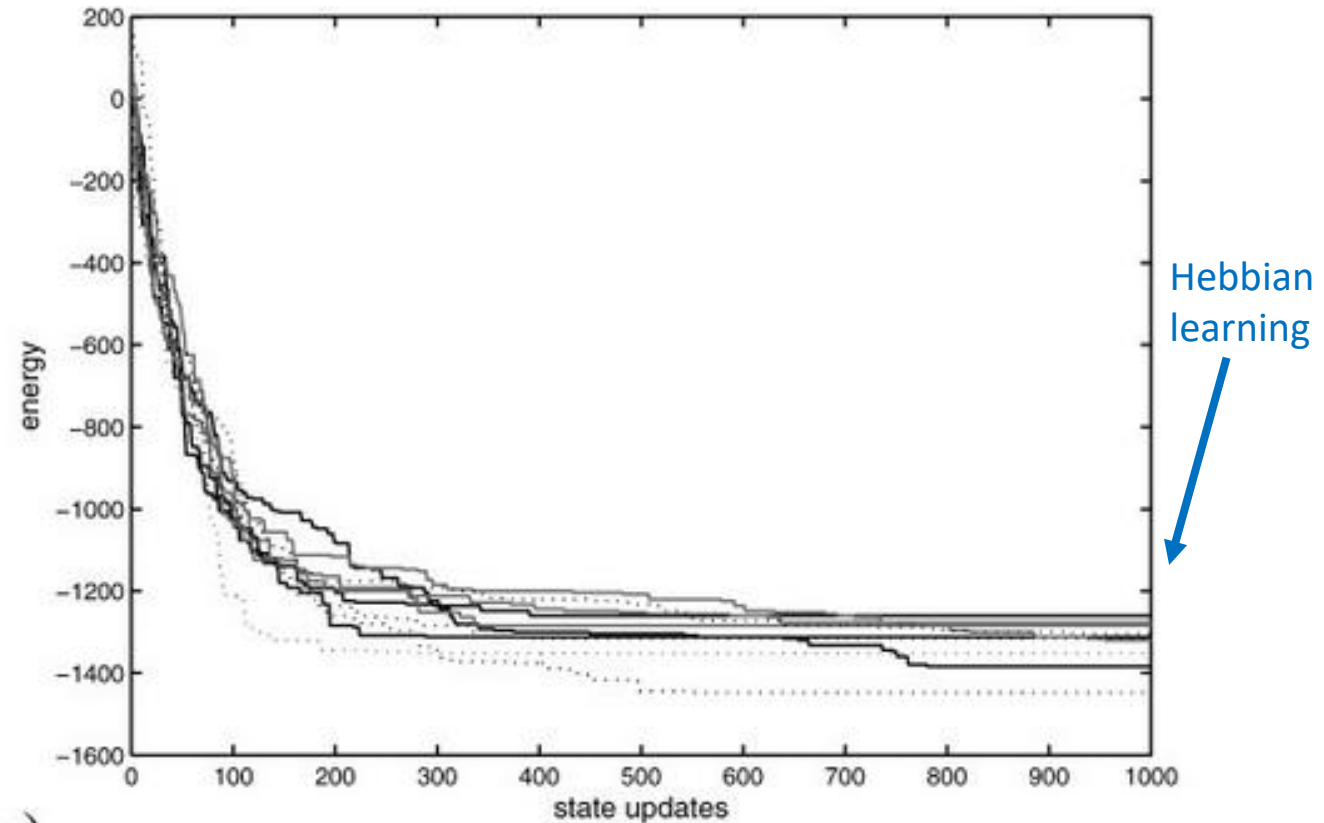
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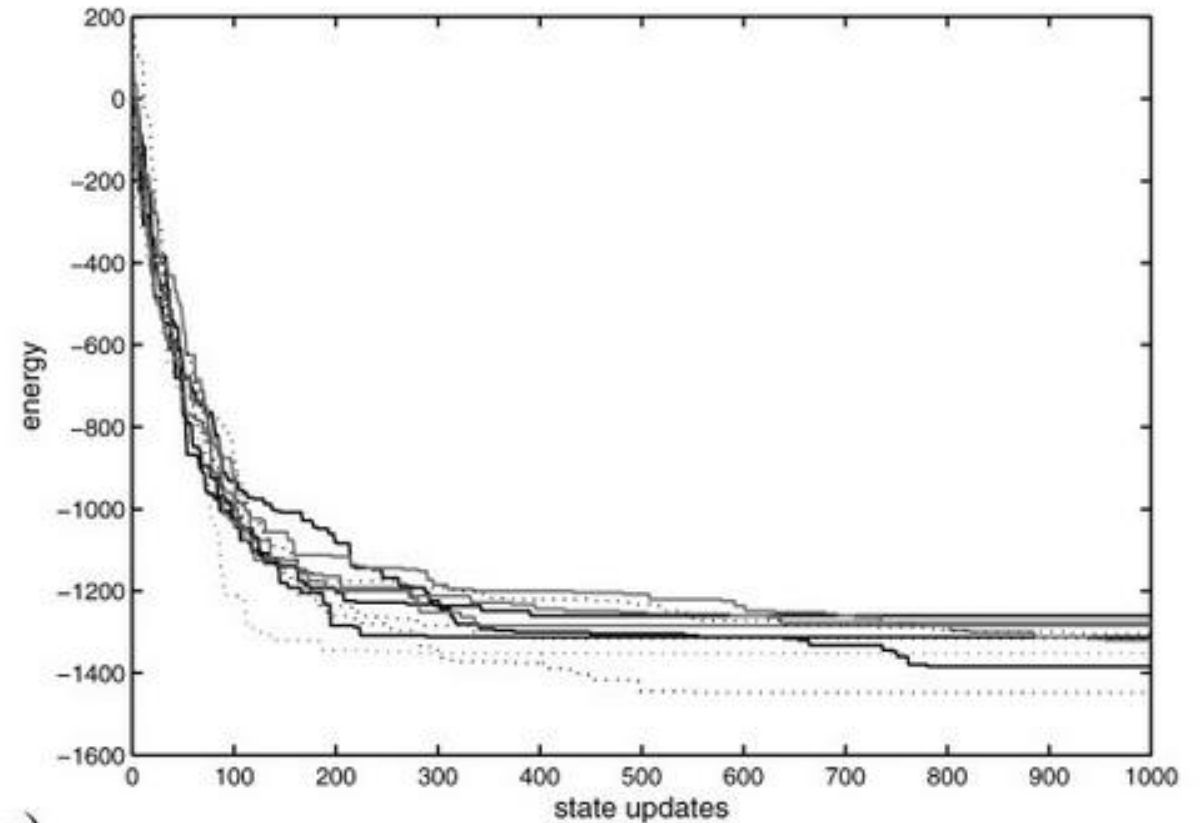
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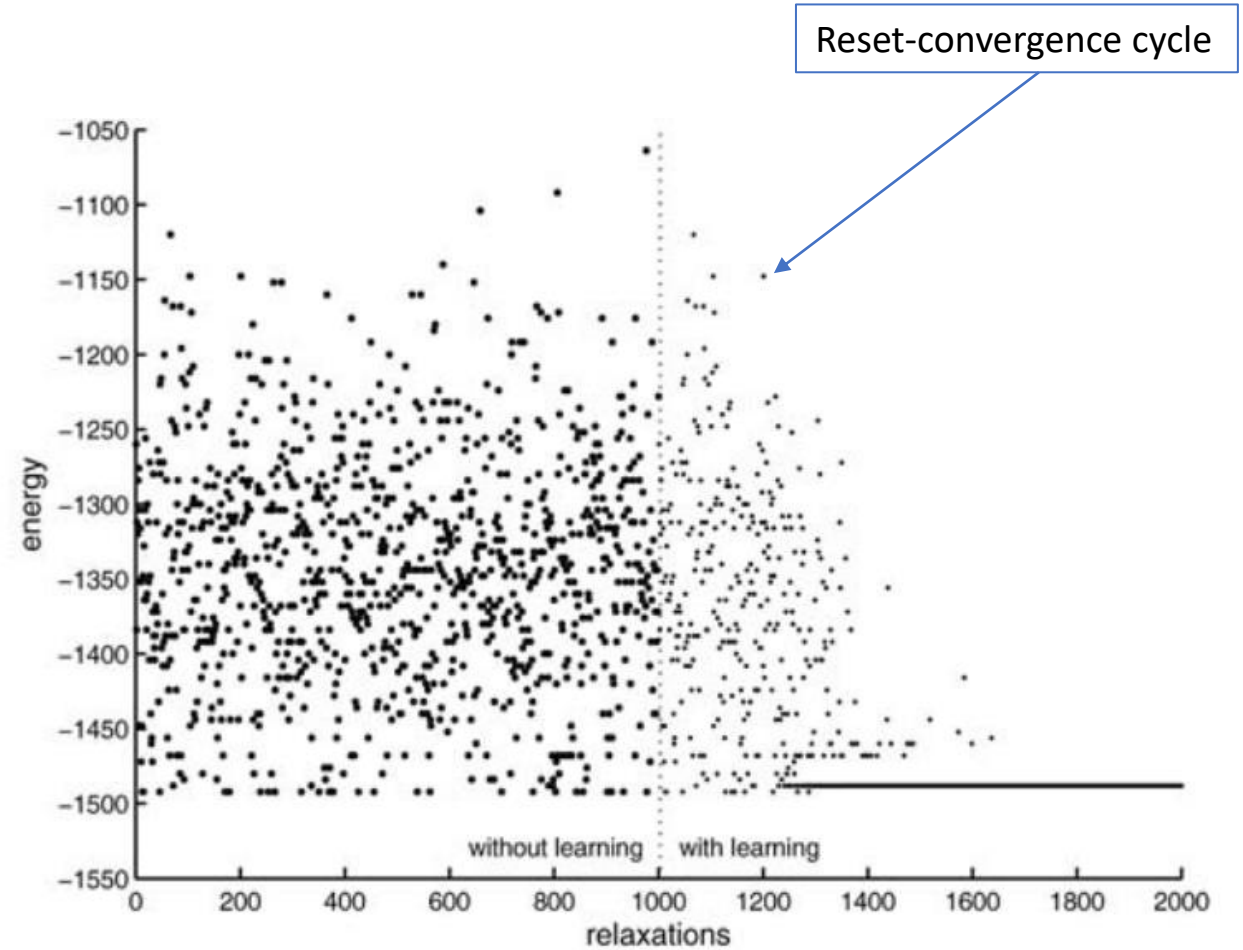
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Reset-convergence cycle



Self-optimization on Hopfield networks

- Associative memory of its own state attractors
- Converge on optimal attractors
- Based on a simple form of unsupervised learning (Hebbian)

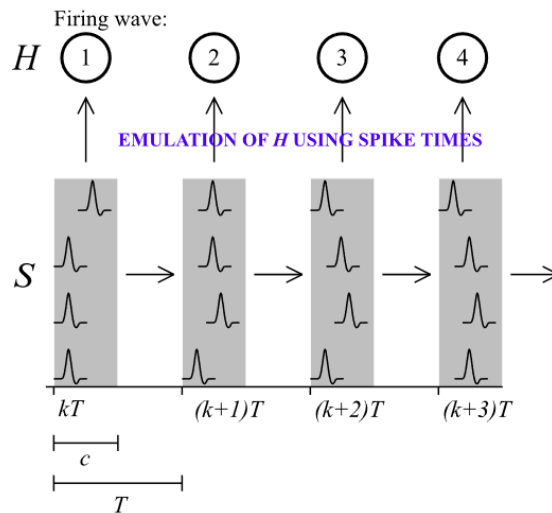


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Self-optimization on Hopfield networks

Different neural architectures

- Continuous activation functions ([Zarco and Froese, 2018](#))
- Spiking neural networks ([Woodward et al., 2015](#))

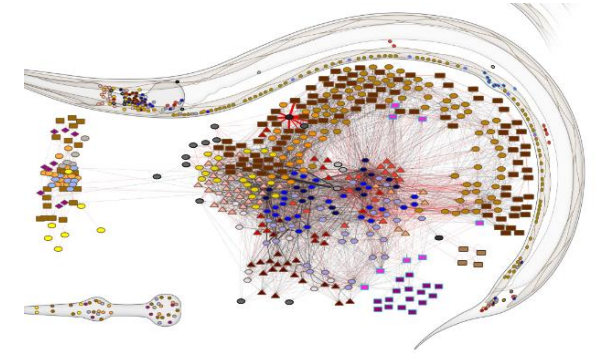


$$\tau_i \dot{s}_i = -s_i + \sum_{j=1}^N \omega_{ji} \sigma(g_j(s_j + \theta_j))$$

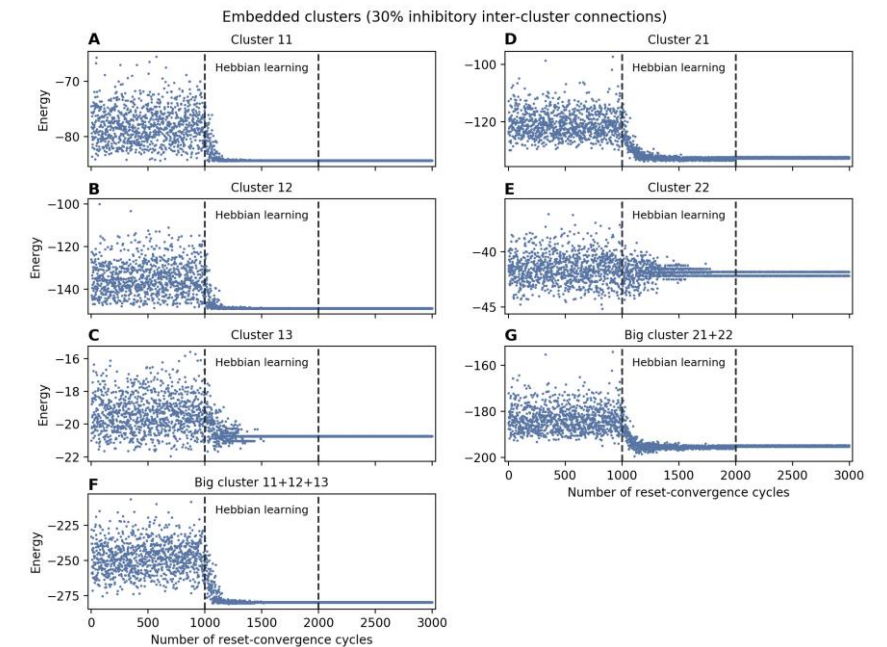
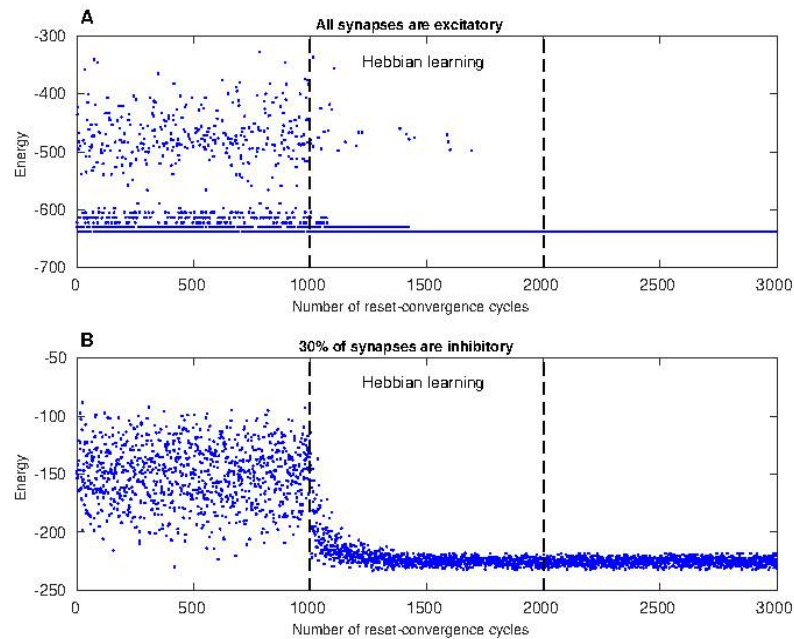
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Different neural architectures

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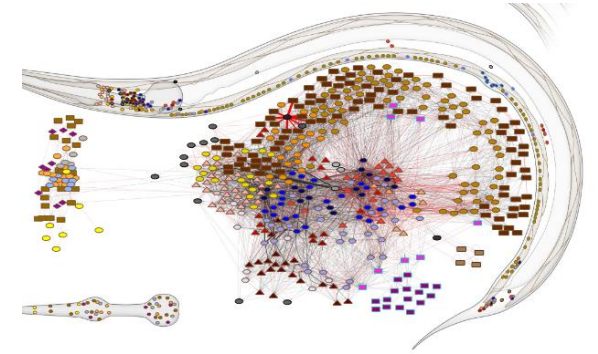
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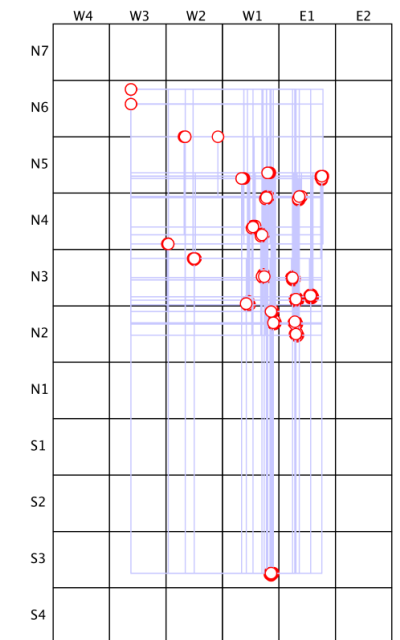
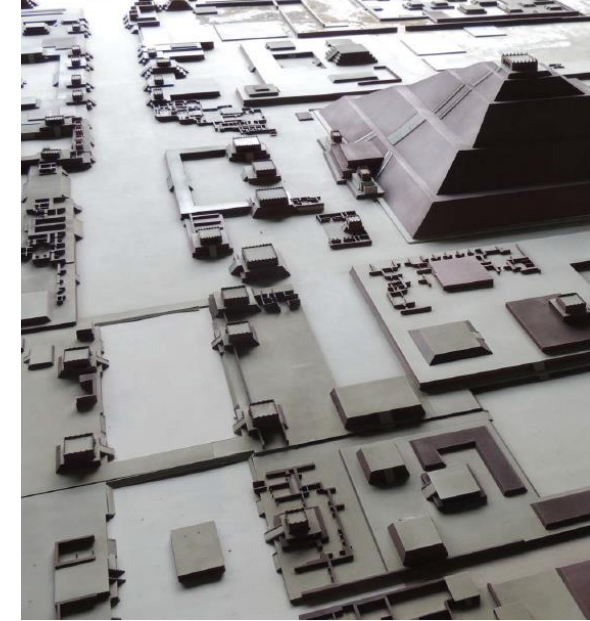
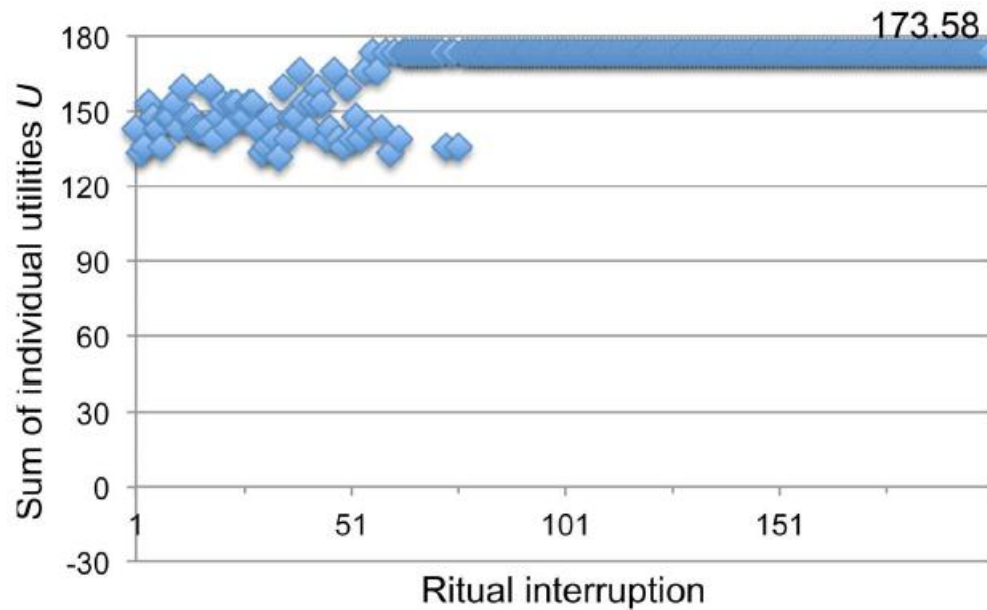
Remember....

Randomization -> Sleep cycle

Self-optimization on Hopfield networks

Social modeling

- Teotihuacan government (Froese, Gershenson, Manzanilla, 2018)

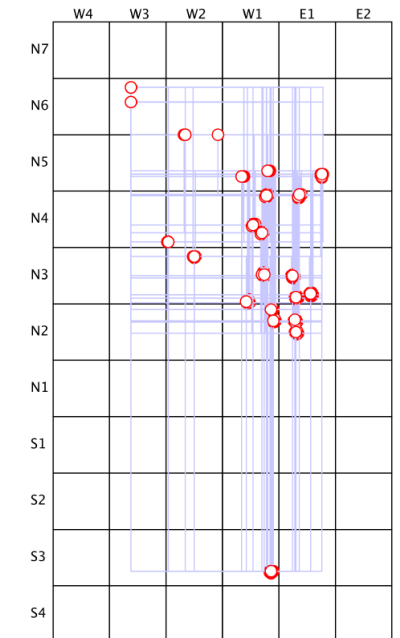
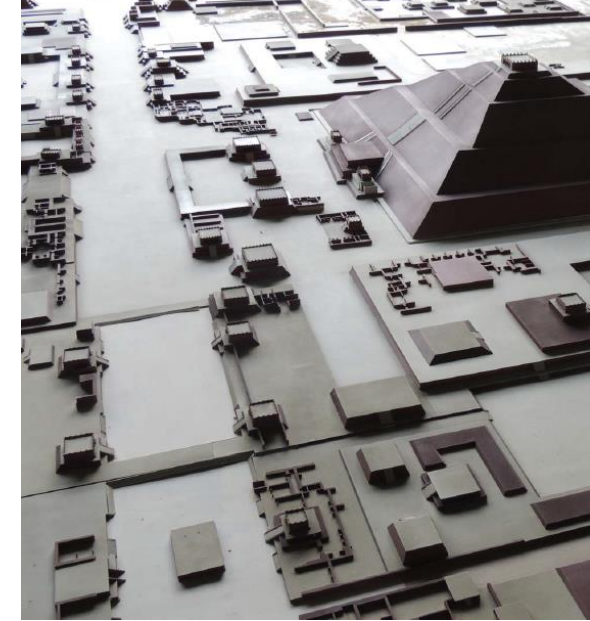
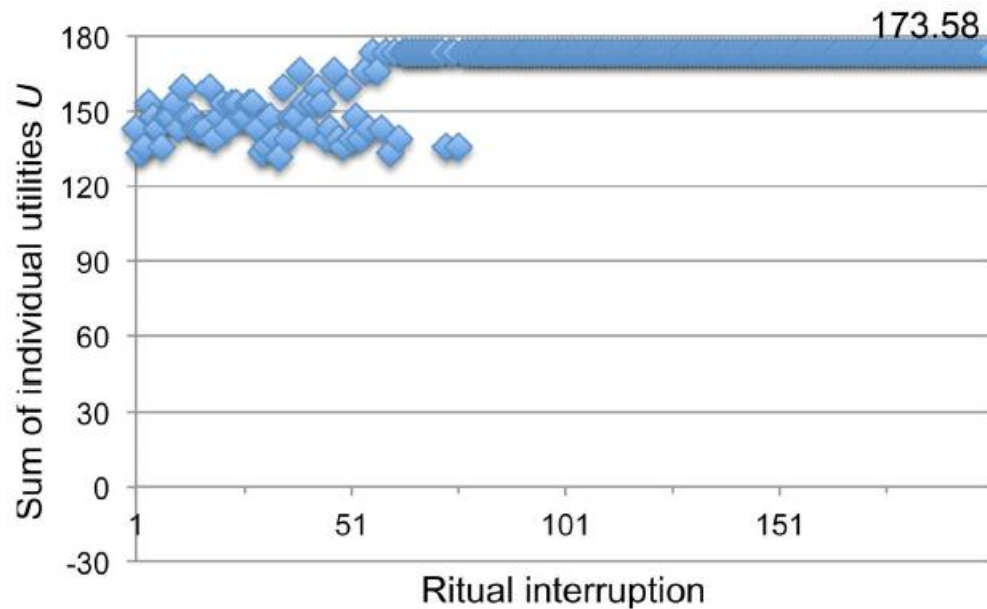


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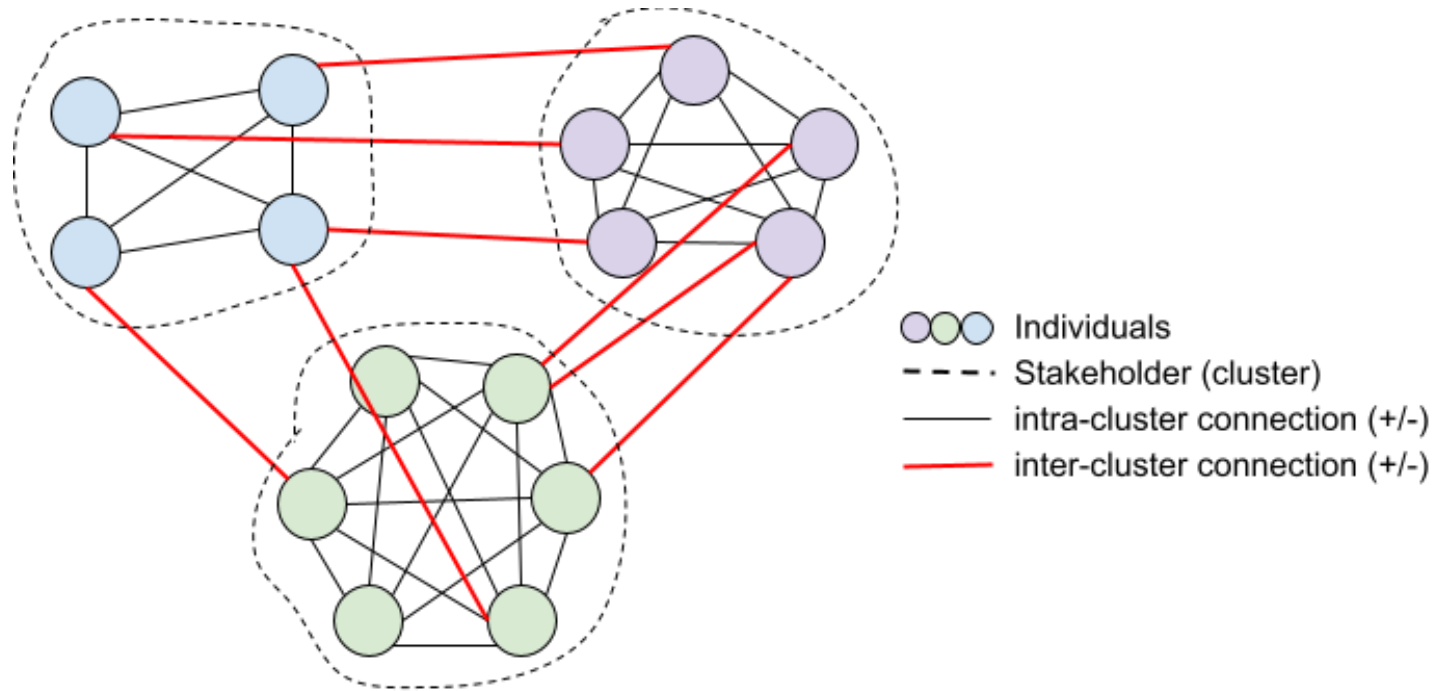
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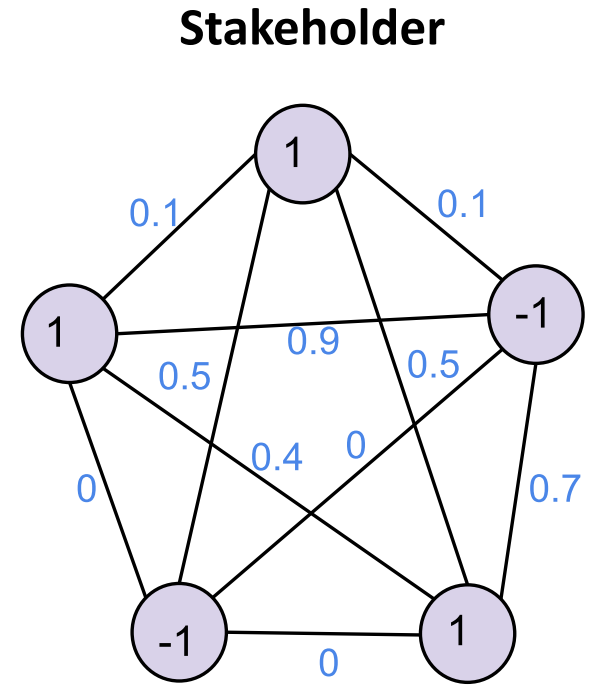
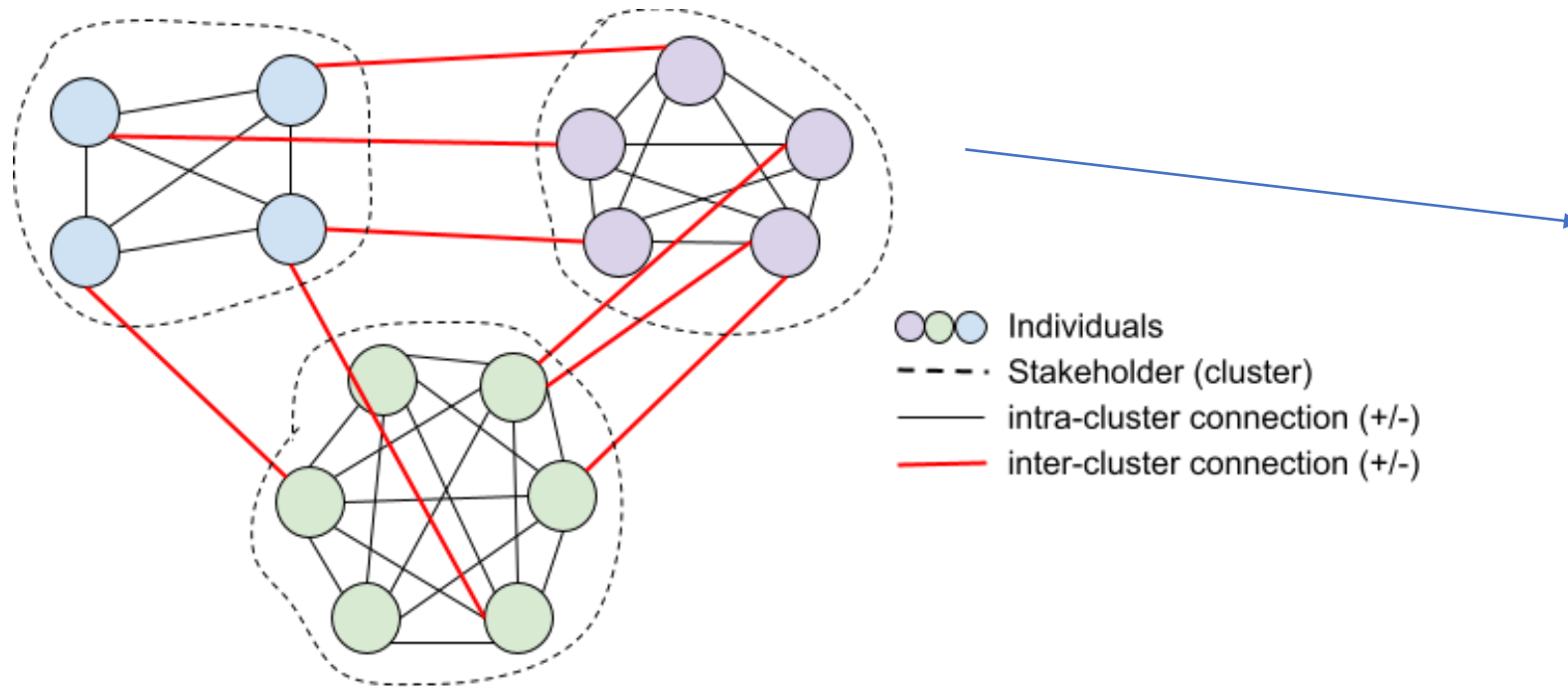
Randomization -> ritual interruption



Self-optimization to policy making

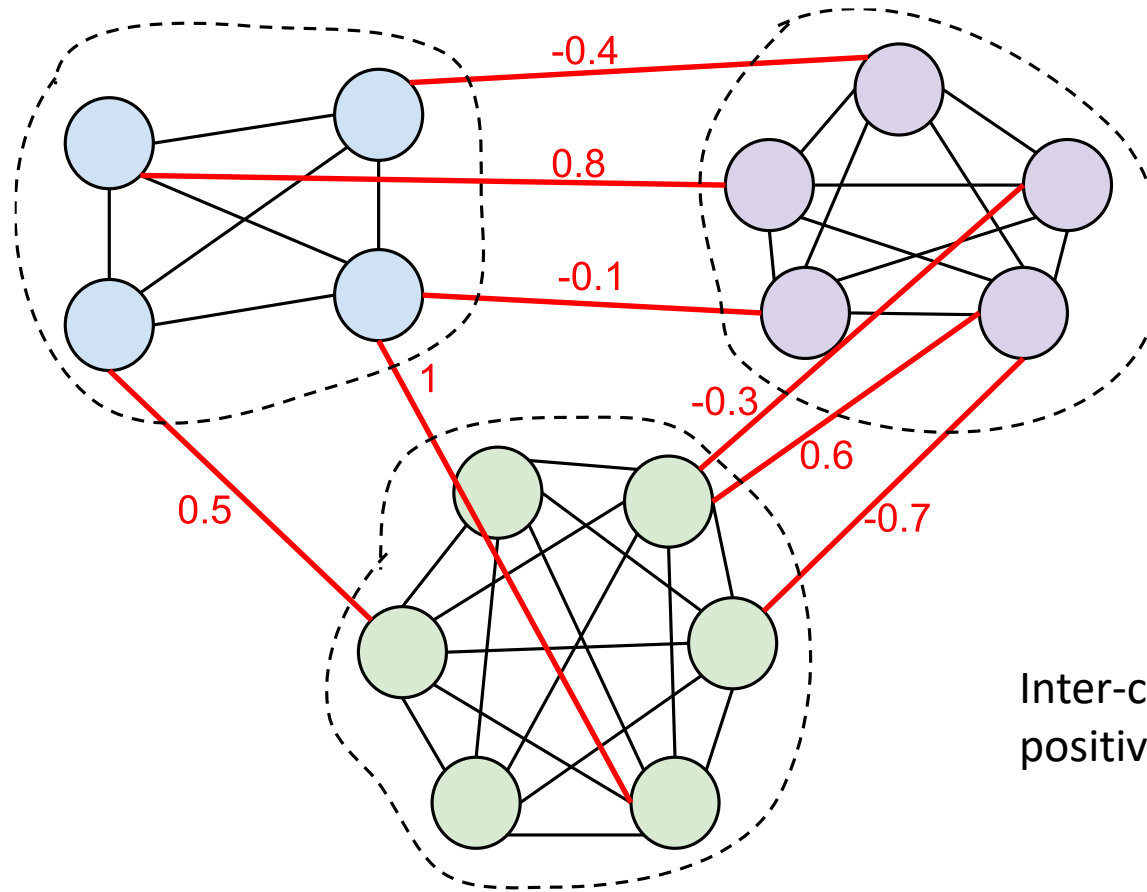


Self-optimization to policy making



Intra-cluster connections
(preferably positive)

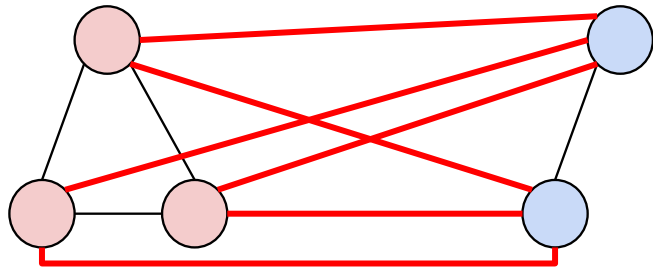
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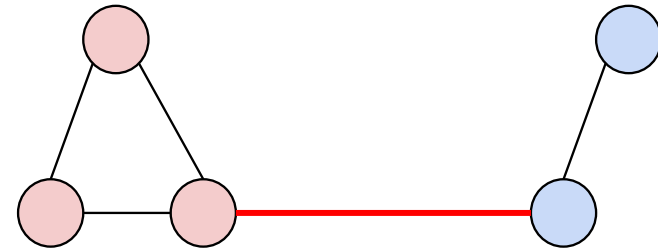
Inter-cluster connections
positive or negative

Self-optimization to policy making

Affinity (between two stakeholders)



100%



16%

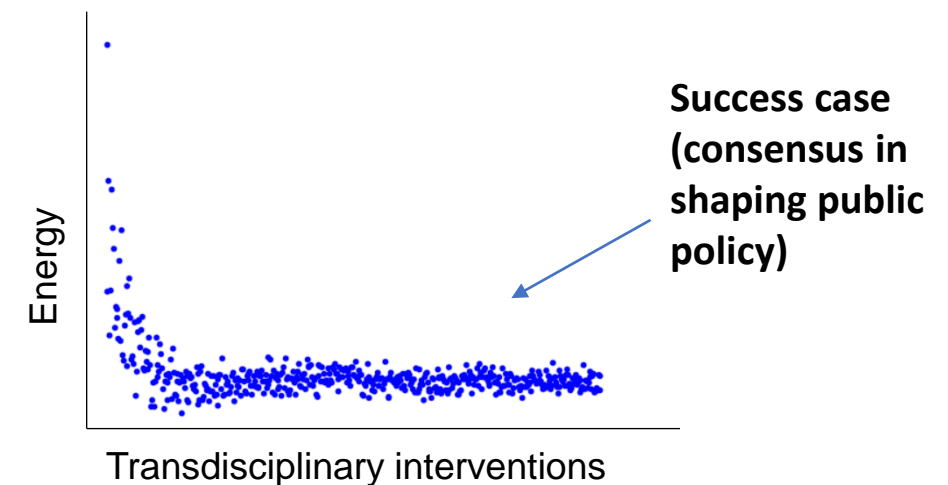
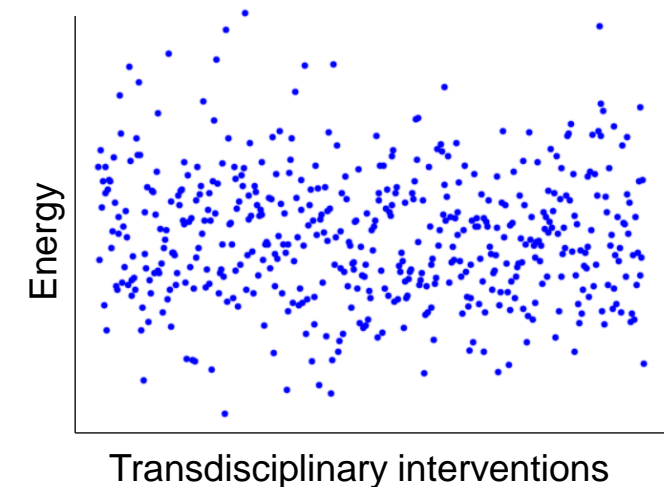
Affinity is a fixed parameter defined at the start

Self-optimization to policy making

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Conclusions

- **The model is limited, represents reality with a high level of abstraction.**
- **The use of Hopfield networks may have disadvantages compared to agent-based models with more parameters.**
- **Politics is present in these meetings, and it is pending how to represent it.**
- **It is still pending how to model multidimensional/hierarchical policies. The model only considers two behavioral states of agents.**

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