

Macroscopic (large scale)
properties

Microscopic (local)
properties

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$n = 3$



$n = 5$



$n = 10$



Lower
effective ranks

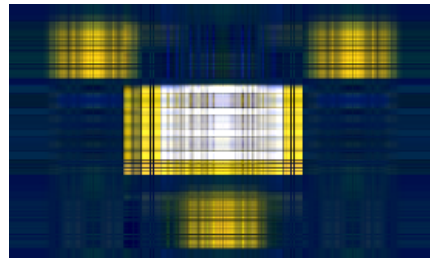


Higher
effective ranks

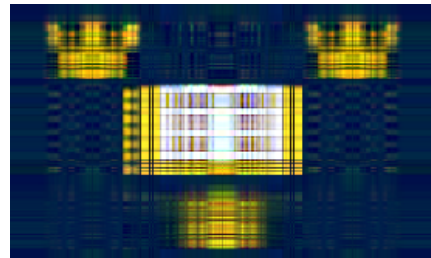
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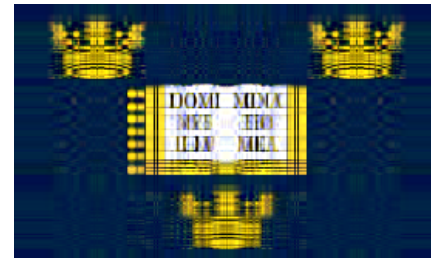
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$n = 25$



The effective ranks of adjacency matrices

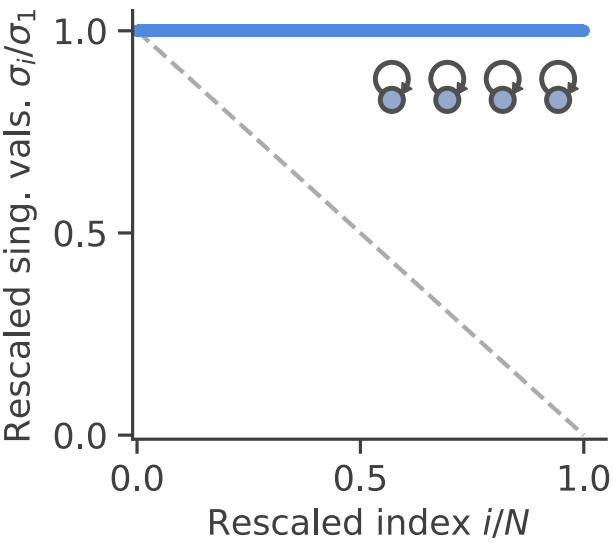
$$\mathbf{W} = \sum_{i=1}^{\textcolor{red}{r}} \sigma_i \mathbf{U}_i \mathbf{V}_i^\top \simeq \sum_{i=1}^{\textcolor{red}{n}} \sigma_i \mathbf{U}_i \mathbf{V}_i^\top$$

Effective rank n of a matrix

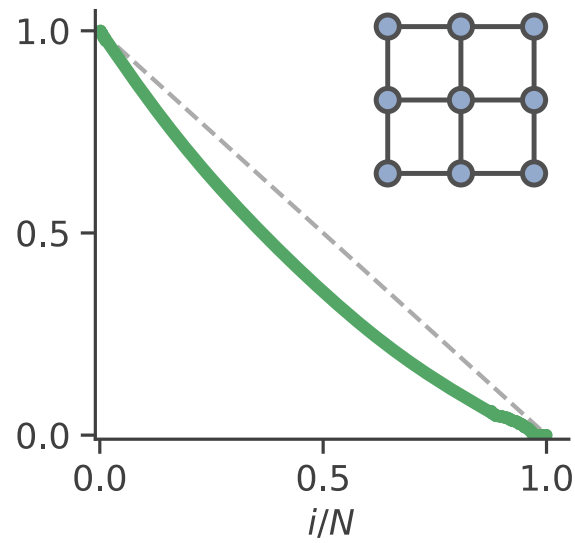
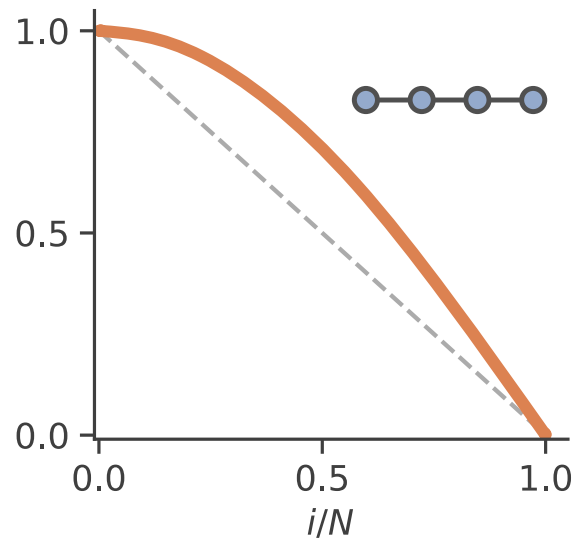
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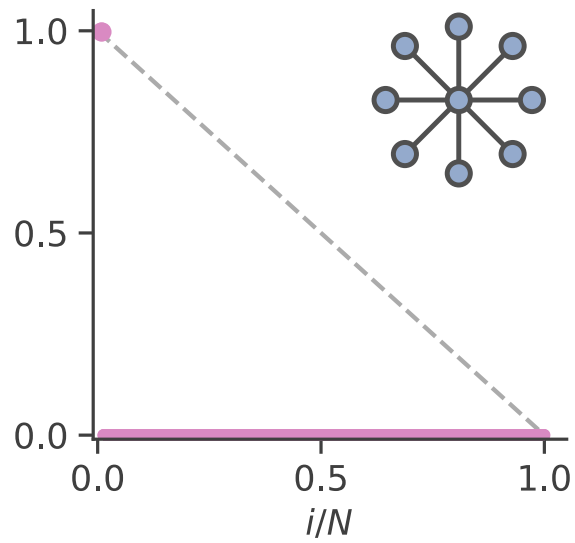
High effective ranks



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Low effective ranks



Abbreviation	Expression
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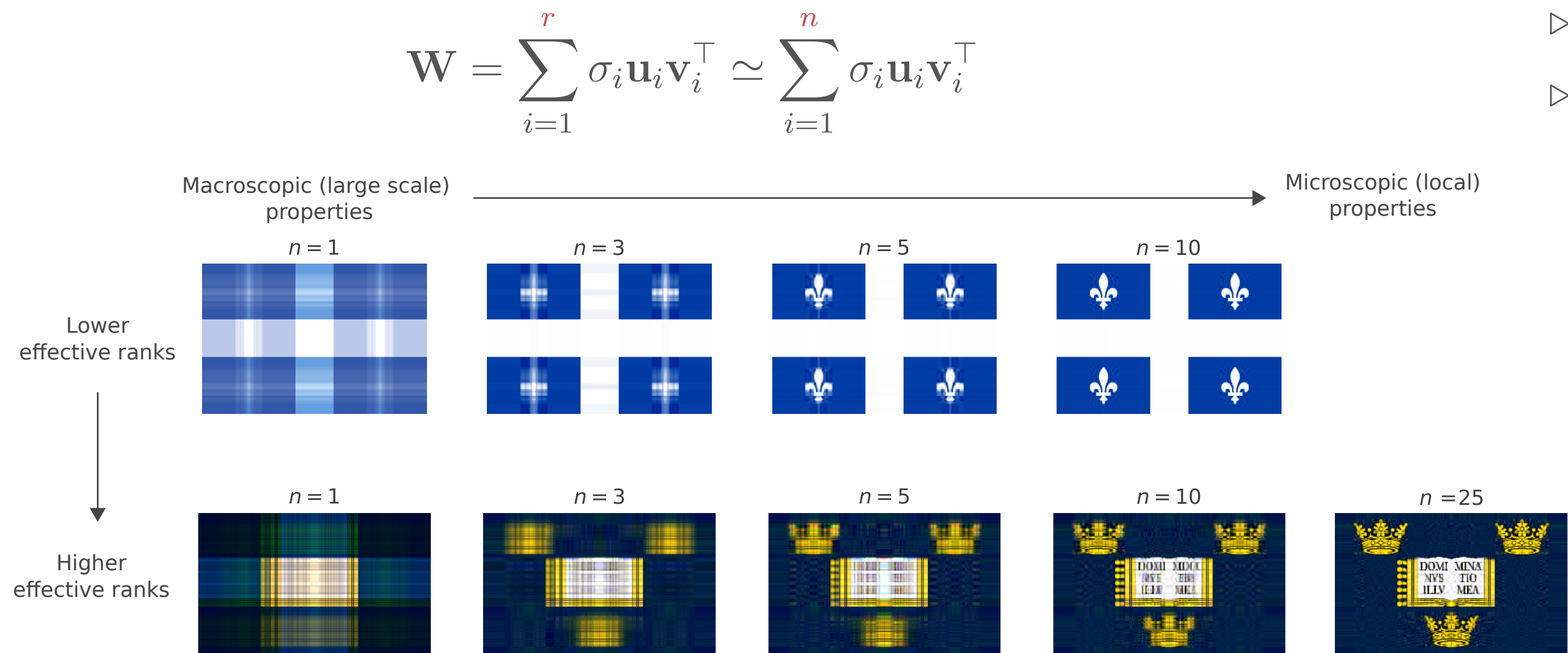
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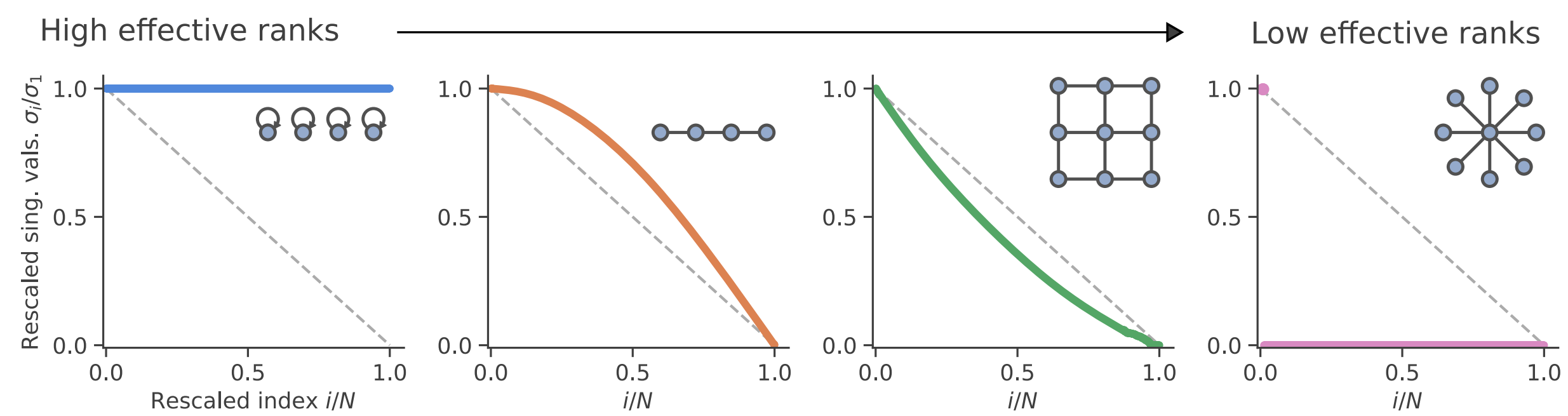
The effective ranks of adjacency matrices

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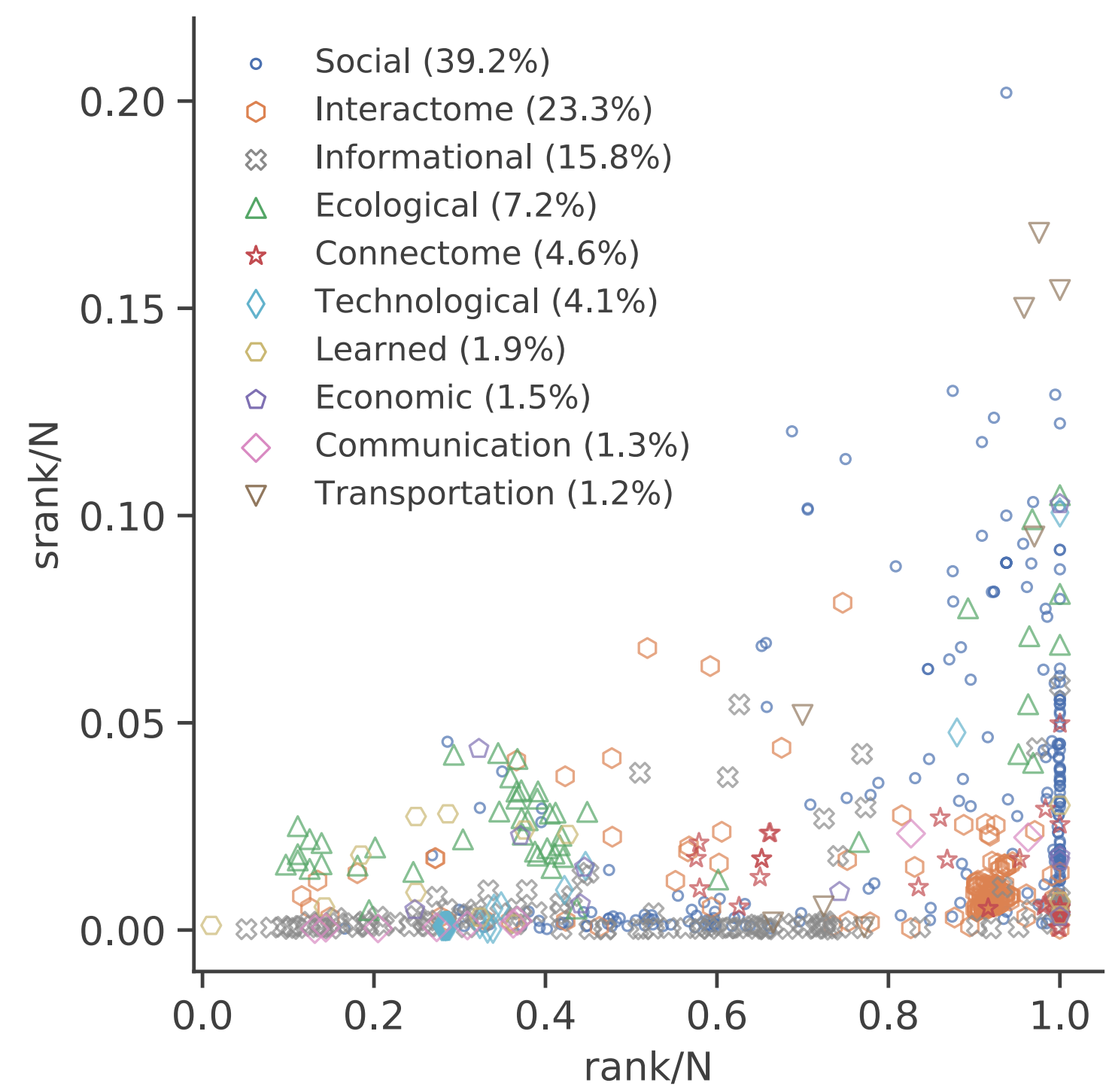
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Many empirical networks appear to have a low effective rank!



Results for 679 empirical networks (502 unweighted networks and 177 weighted networks) downloaded from Netzscheuler.