

# A Temporal Model and Distance Metrics for Network Analysis

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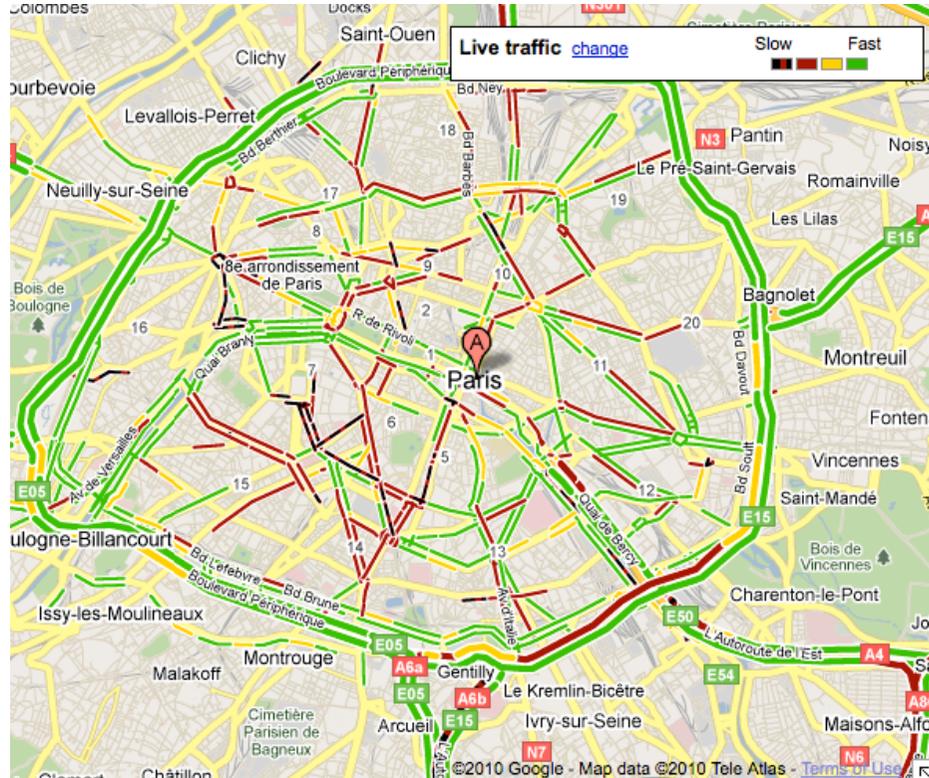
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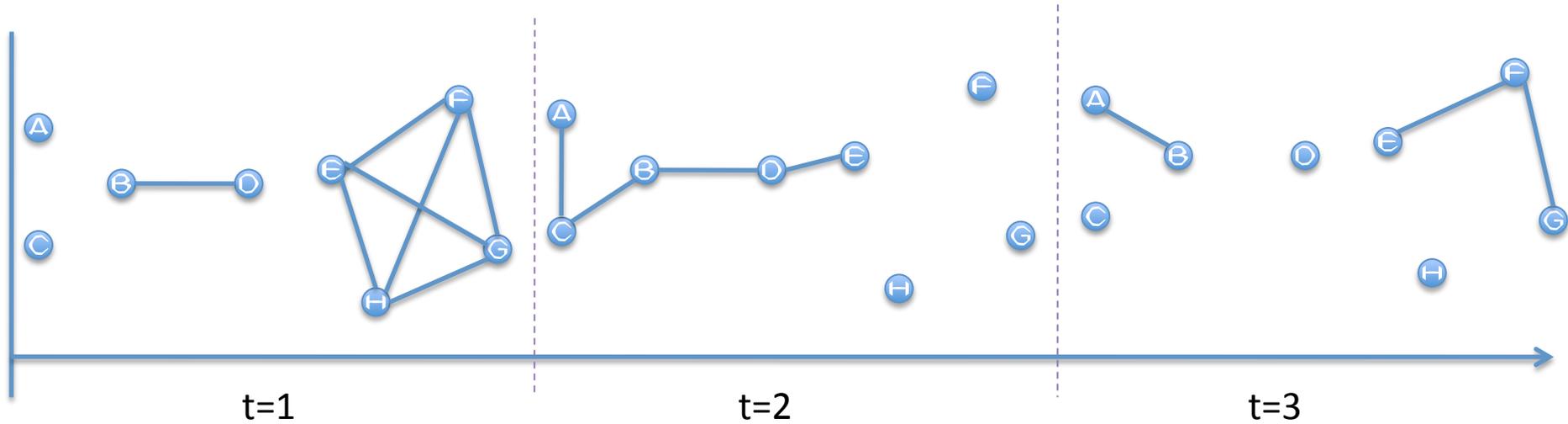
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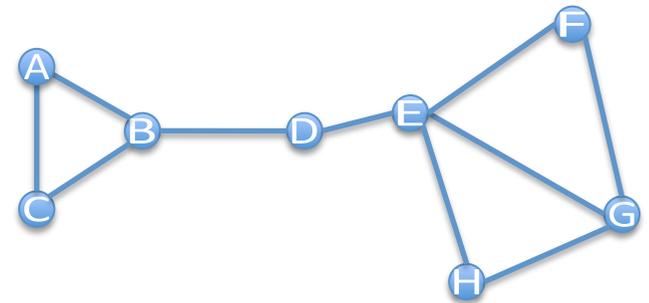
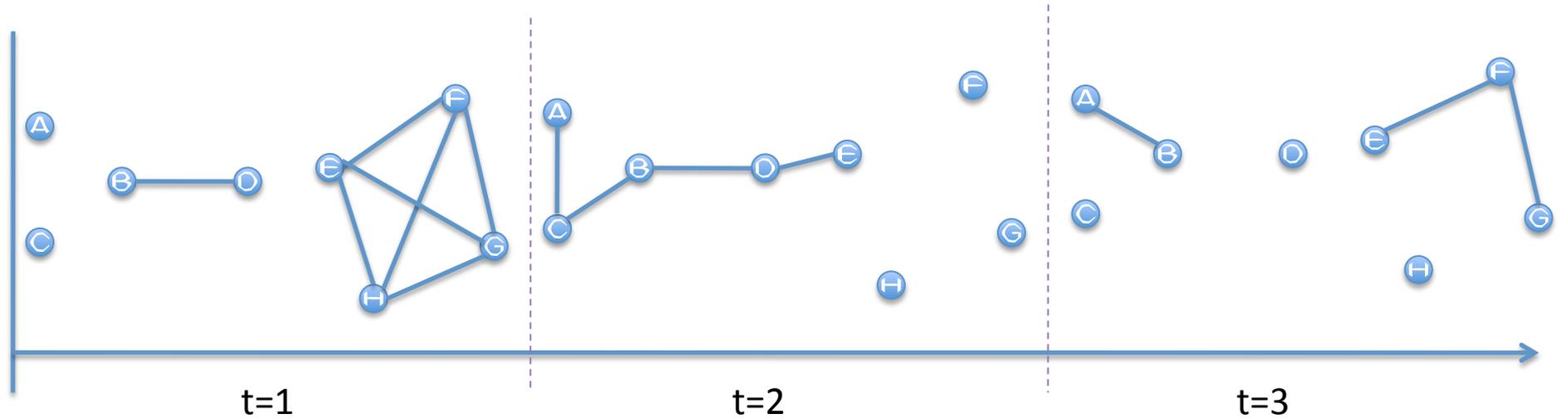
# Some Real Networks



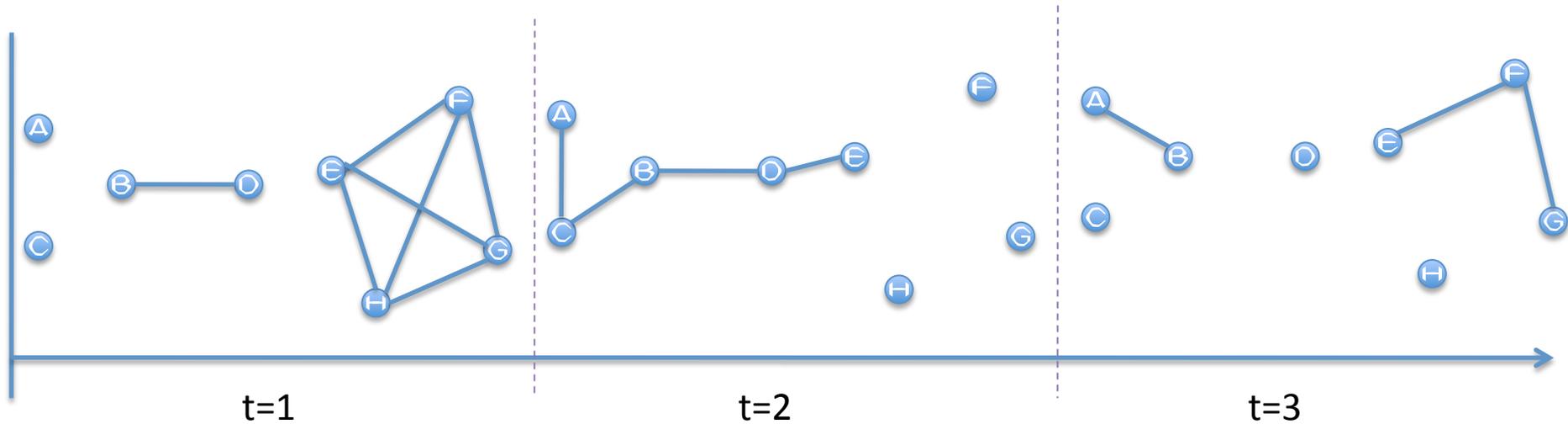
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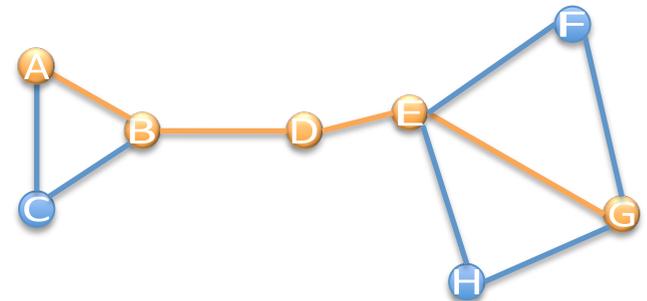


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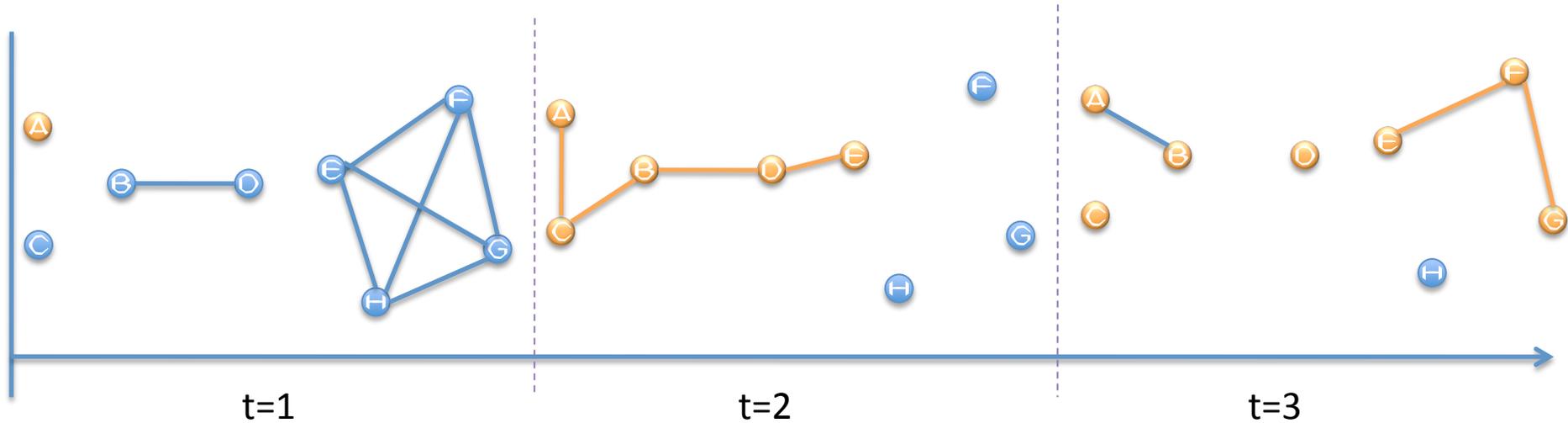


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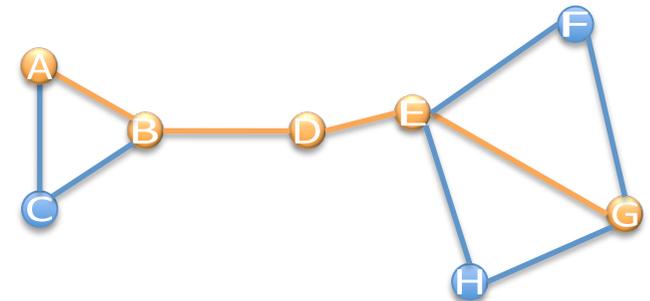


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- Temporal

- Shortest path (A,G) = [A,C,B,D,E,F,G]
- Shortest path length (A,G) = 6 hops
- Time=3 seconds



# Temporal Metrics

- $d_{ij}$  Shortest Temporal Path Length
- $d_{ij}^*$  Shortest Path with temporal constraints
- $E_{ij} = \frac{1}{d_{ij}}$  Temporal Efficiency

# Temporal Metrics

- Average Temporal  $L = \frac{1}{N(N-1)} \sum_{ij} d_{ij}$
- Average Temporal  $L^* = \frac{1}{N(N-1)} \sum_{ij} d_{ij}^*$
- Average Efficiency  $E_{glob} = \frac{1}{N(N-1)} \sum_{ij} E_{ij}$

# Does it really matter?

- Infocom 2005 conference environment
- Bluetooth colocation scans
- 5 Minute Windows
- Measure 24 hours starting 12am

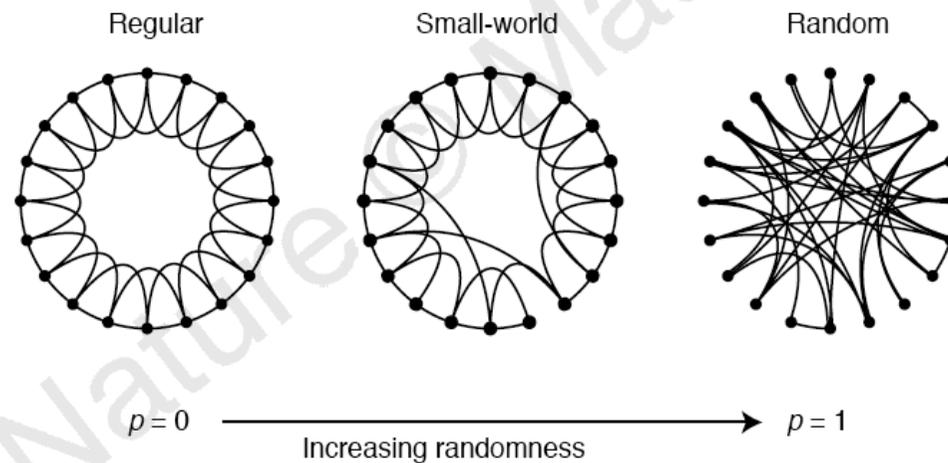
					Static		Temporal		
Day	N	<k>	Activity	Contacts	L	Eglob	L*	L	Eglob
1	37	25.73	6pm-12pm	3668	1.291	0.856	4.090	19h 39m	0.003
2	39	28.31	12am-12pm	8357	1.269	0.870	4.556	9h 6m	0.024
3	38	22.32	12am-12pm	4217	1.420	0.798	4.003	10h 32m	0.018
4	39	21.44	12am-5pm	3024	1.444	0.781	4.705	9h 55m	0.013

# Temporal Small World

- Investigate speed of evolution of temporal graphs vs. communication efficiency
- *Intuition*: Slowly evolving graphs should be **slow** for data communication

# Static SW Model

- Static
  - High local clustering
  - Some nodes provide short cut links



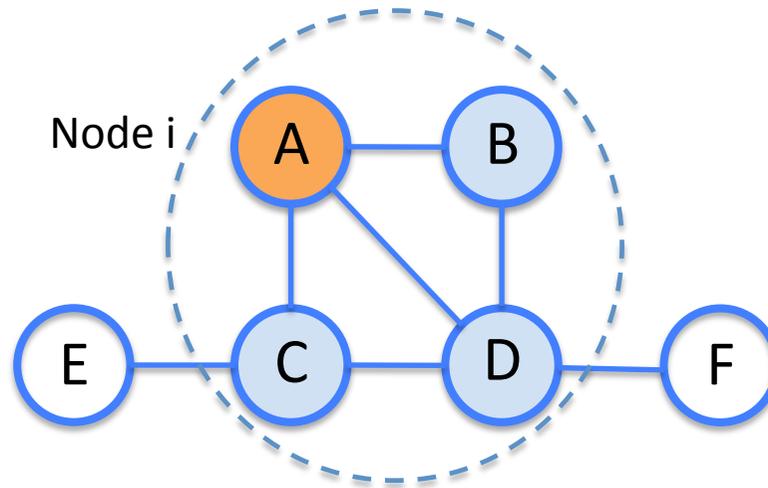
[Watts&Strogatz 1998]

# Static Clustering Coefficient

$$C = \frac{\sum_i C_i}{N} \quad C_i = \frac{2 \sum_{j,k} a_{jk}}{[(\sum_j a_{ij}) * ((\sum_j a_{ij}) - 1)]}$$

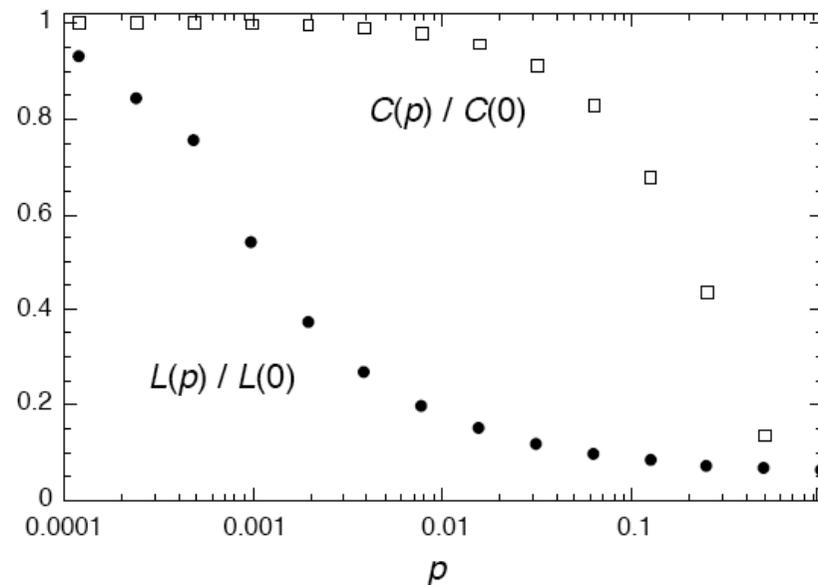
For all  $j, k$  such as  $a_{i,j} = 1$  and  $a_{j,k} = 1$

$$C_A = 2/3$$



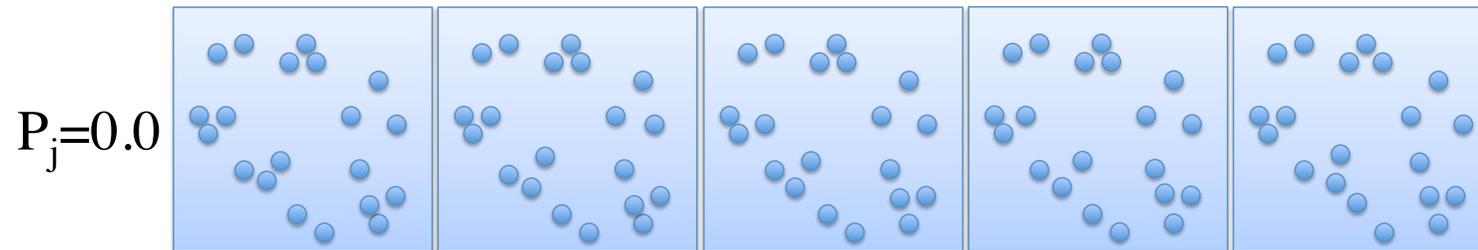
# Static Small World

- Graphs which both are locally clustered but with small average delay
  - High local clustering => Lattice
  - Small average delay => Random



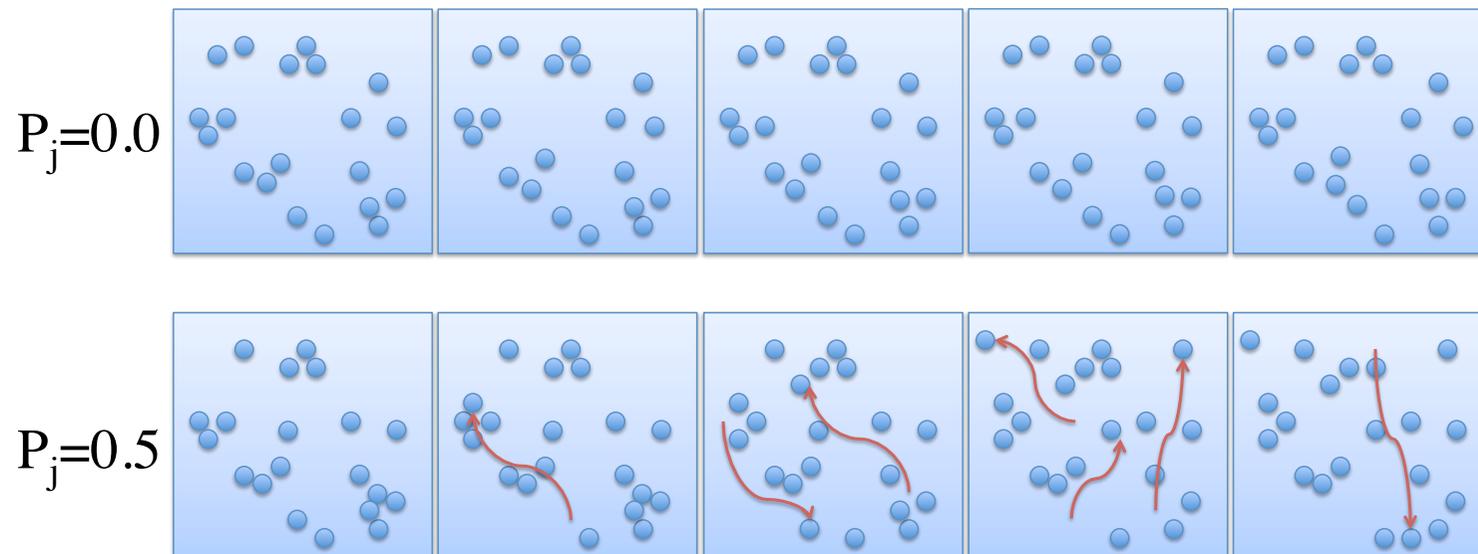
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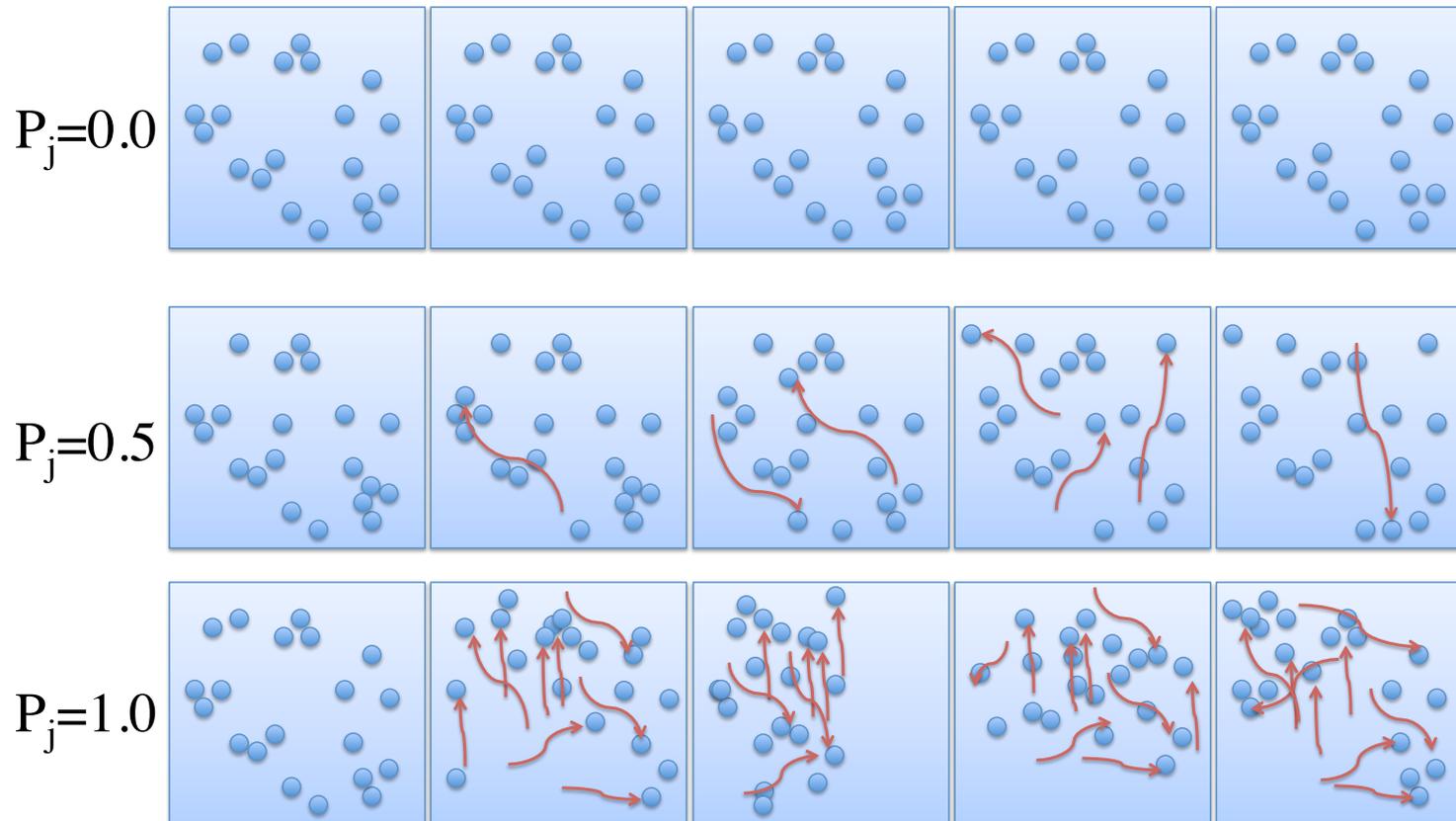
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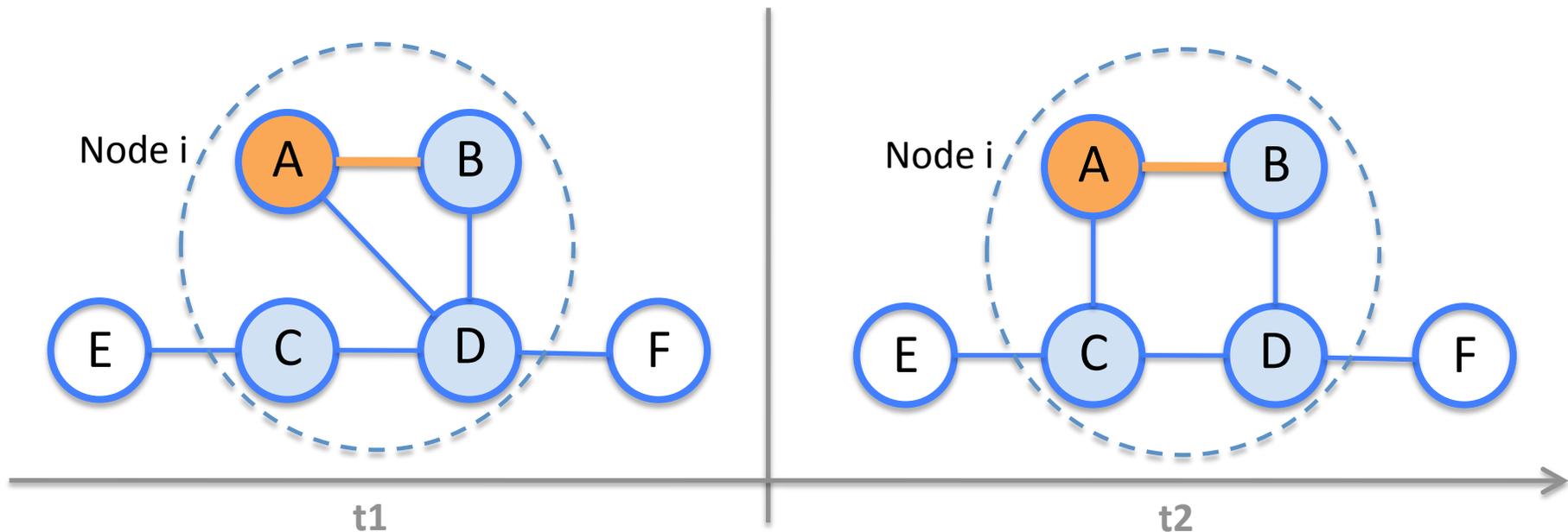
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# Temporal Correlation Coefficient

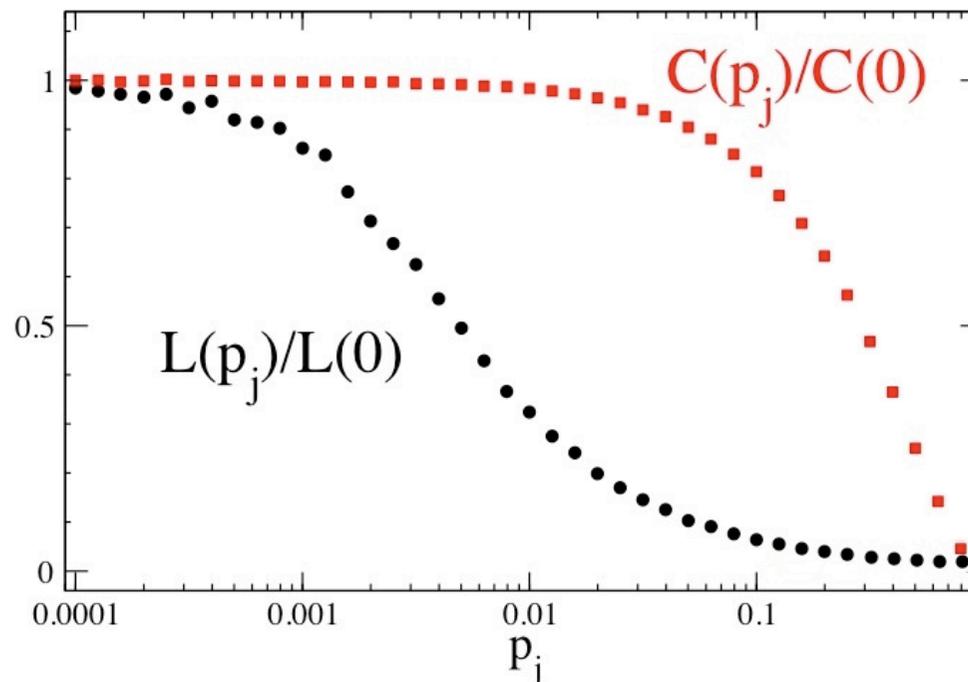
$$C = \frac{\sum_i C_i}{N} \quad C_i = \frac{1}{T-1} \sum_{t=1}^{T-1} \frac{\sum_j a_{ij}(t)a_{ij}(t+1)}{\sqrt{[\sum_j a_{ij}(t)][\sum_j a_{ij}(t+1)]}}$$

$$C_A = 1/2$$

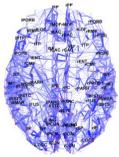


# Temporal Small World

- Graphs which evolve slowly over time can still exhibit high communication efficiency
  - Highly temporal-clustering => non-jumping model
  - Low temporal-delay => fully-jumping model



# Small-world Behaviour in Real Data



Brain network



Bluetooth contacts  
(INFOCOM'06)

facebook

(London network)

	$C$	$C^{rand}$	$L$	$L^{rand}$	$E$	$E^{rand}$
$\alpha$	0.44	0.18	3.9 (100%)	4.2 (98%)	0.50	0.48
$\beta$	0.40	0.17	6.0 (94%)	3.6 (92%)	0.41	0.45
$\gamma$	0.48	0.13	12.2 (86%)	8.7 (89%)	0.39	0.37
$\delta$	0.44	0.17	2.2 (100%)	2.4 (92%)	0.57	0.56
d1	0.80	0.44	8.84 (61%)	6.00 (65%)	0.192	0.209
d2	0.78	0.35	5.04 (87%)	4.01 (88%)	0.293	0.298
d3	0.81	0.38	9.06 (57%)	6.76 (59%)	0.134	0.141
d4	0.83	0.39	21.42 (15%)	15.55(22%)	0.019	0.028
Mar	0.044	0.007	456	451	0.000183	0.000210
Jun	0.046	0.006	380	361	0.000047	0.000057
Sep	0.046	0.006	414	415	0.000058	0.000074
Dec	0.049	0.006	403	395	0.000047	0.000059

# Summary of Talk

- Temporal Graphs & Distance Metrics
  - Static shortest paths overestimate available hops and hence underestimate shortest path length
- Temporal Small World:
  - Contrary to intuition, slowly evolving graphs can be very efficient for data dissemination
- Future Work
  - Identifying important nodes
  - Malware propagation
    - Best nodes for patching
  - Spectral Analysis

# Questions?

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