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Topological Learning for Brain Networks

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Nonstandard Brain Image Analysis

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Satellite Meeting of 2021 OHBM

Date: June 17-18, 2021

Place: Virtual Zoom conference

Aim: Please join us in Seoul for the **Workshop on Nonstandard Brain Image Analysis (NBIA)**. This satellite meeting will be held after the Organization for Human Brain Mapping (OHBM) annual meeting. **NBIA 2021** will focus on showcasing various emerging nonstandard or experimental techniques in brain image processing and analysis. This workshop combines lectures by leaders in the field of processing and analysis, poster sessions and other opportunities to network. The workshop is meant to inform and educate students and researchers on emerging methods. The workshop follows the spirit of the previous successful workshop [NBIA 2018](#) in Singapore.

Satellite meeting of OHBM 2021

June 17-18, 2021
~~Seoul, Korea~~
Virtual Zoom

Organizers:

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[http://sites.google.com/
view/nbia2021](http://sites.google.com/view/nbia2021)

Abstract

arXiv:2012.00675

We present

integrate

persistent homology.

Steve Marron: persistent homology

Annals of applied statistics 2016

emerging tasks. The use

bypasses the intrinsic computa

matching networks. The method is effe

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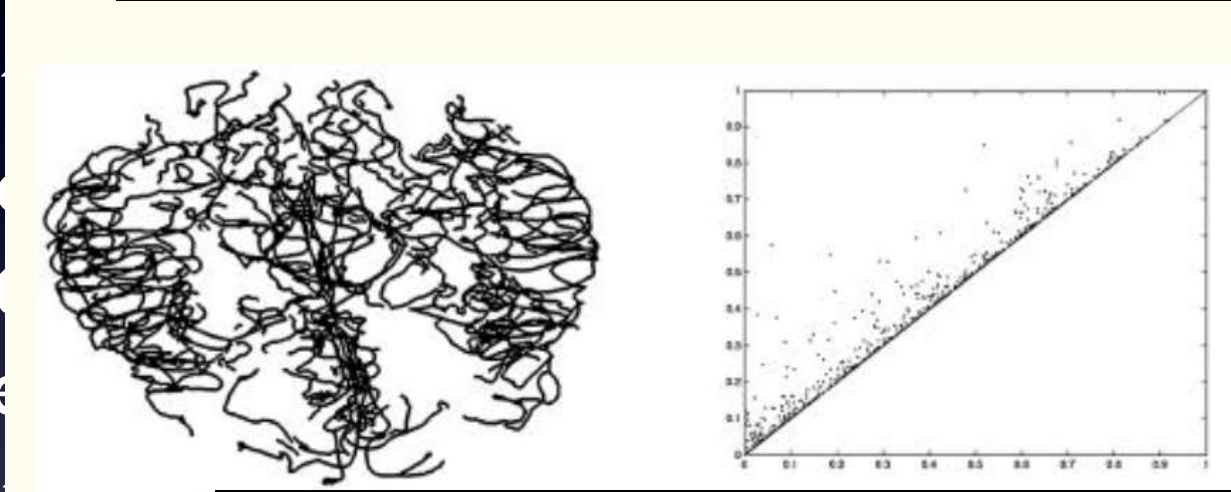
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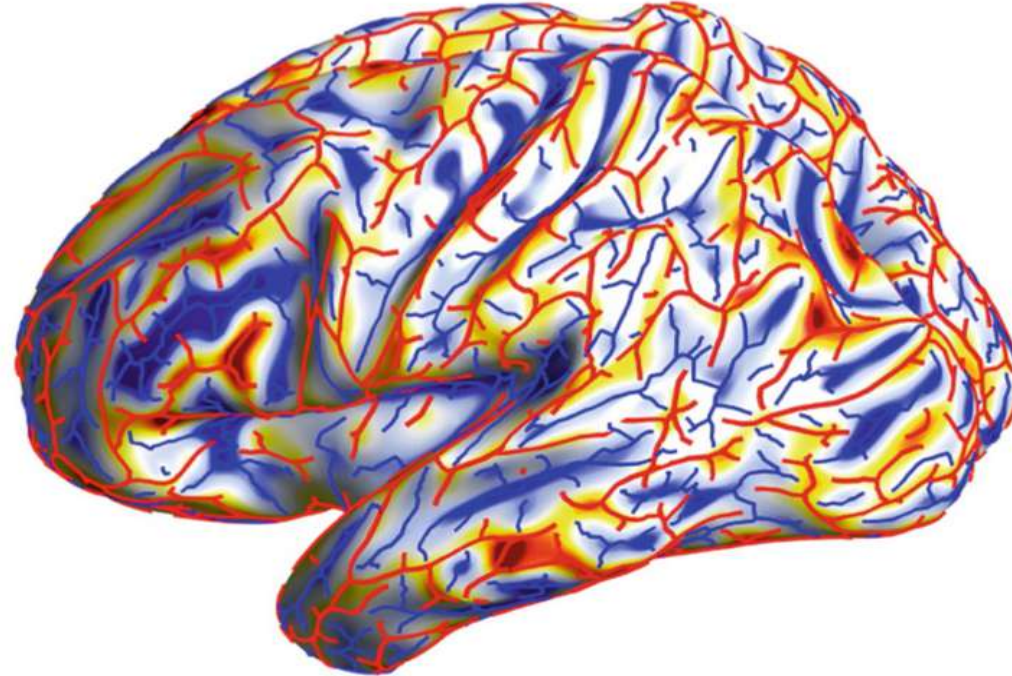
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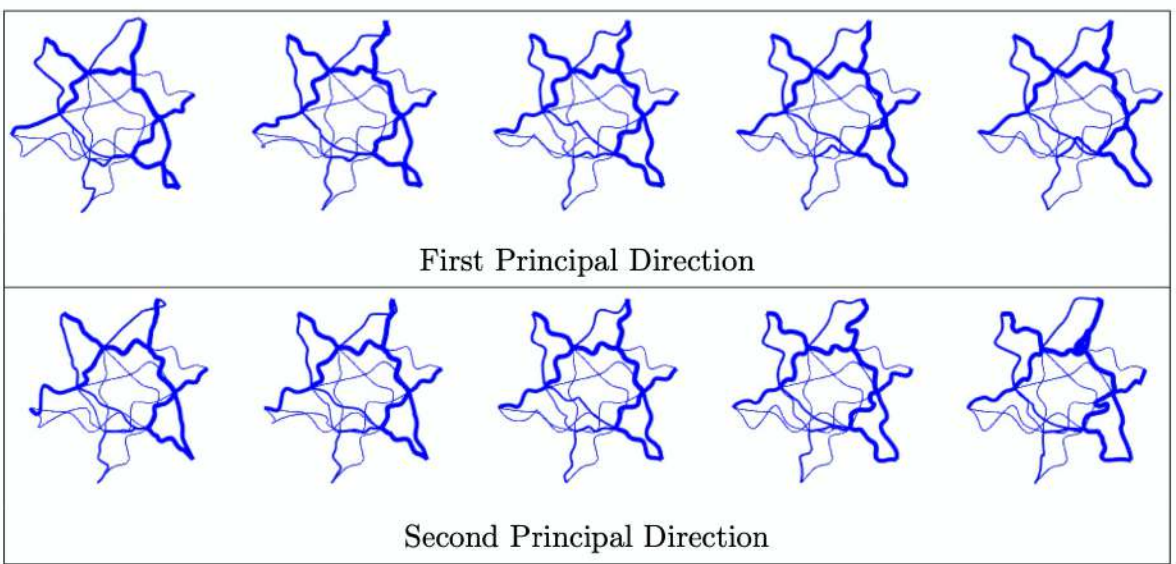
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Huang et al. 2020 IEEE Transactions on Medical Imaging



Anuj Srivastava: elastic graph matching arXiv: 2007.04793



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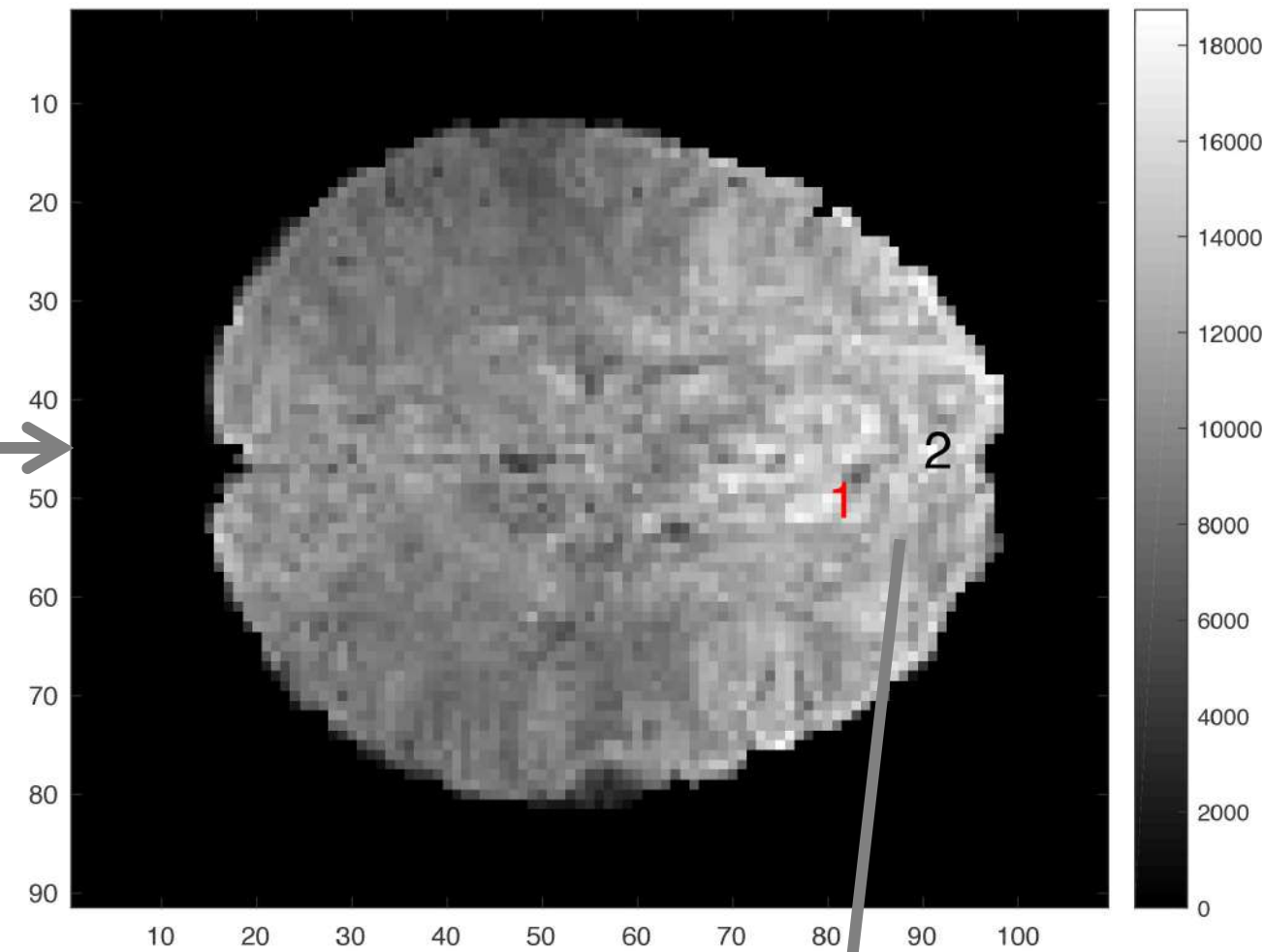
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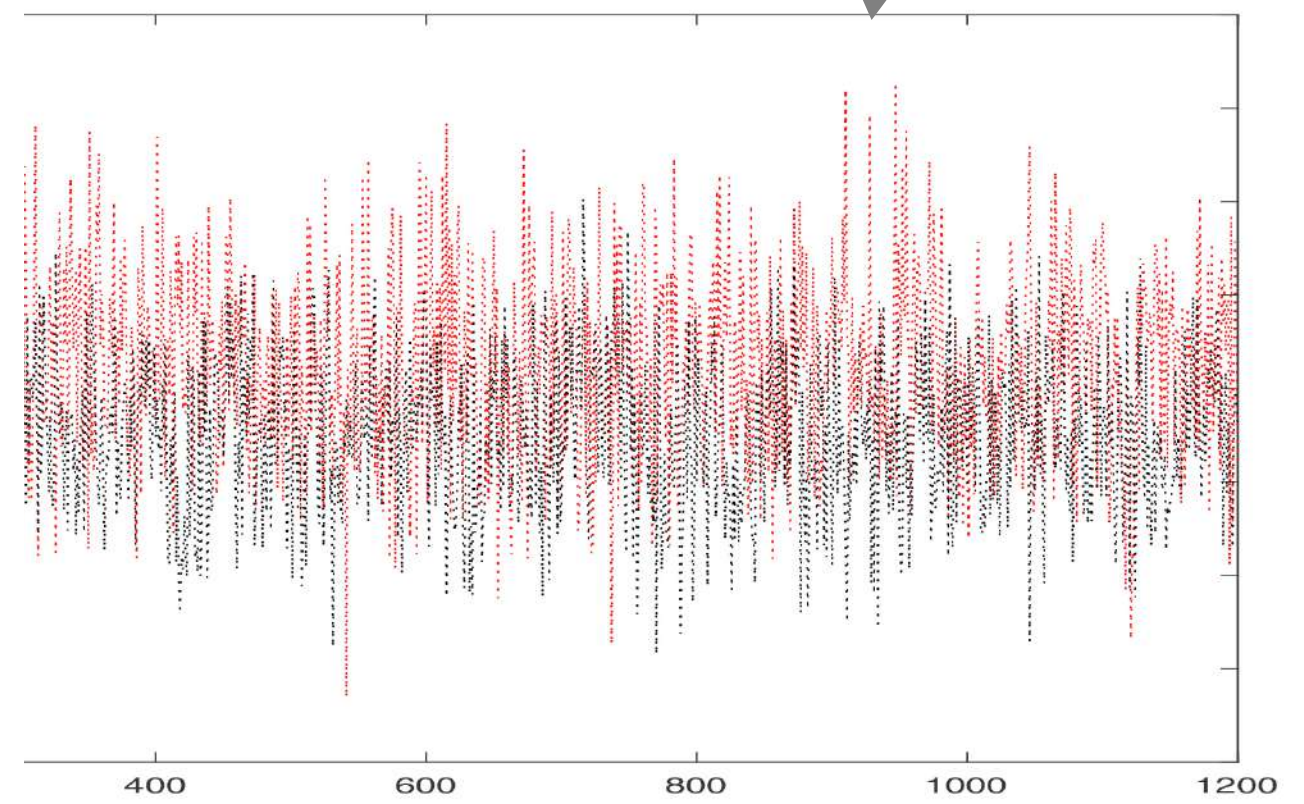
Resting-state functional magnetic resonance imaging (rs-fMRI)



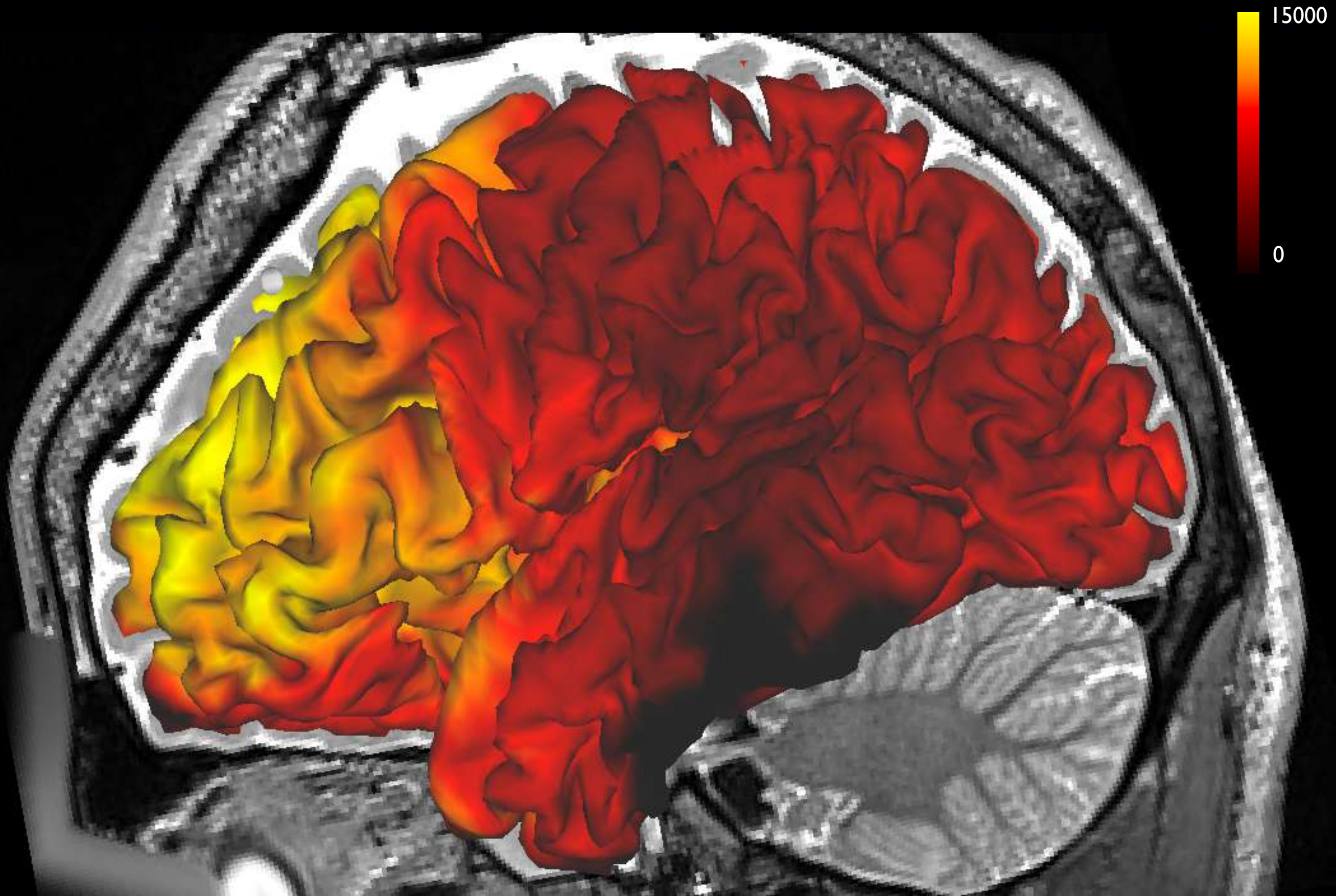
1200 time points and 300000 voxels per subject over 14min 33 seconds inside a 3T scanner at rest

After motion correction, scrubbing....

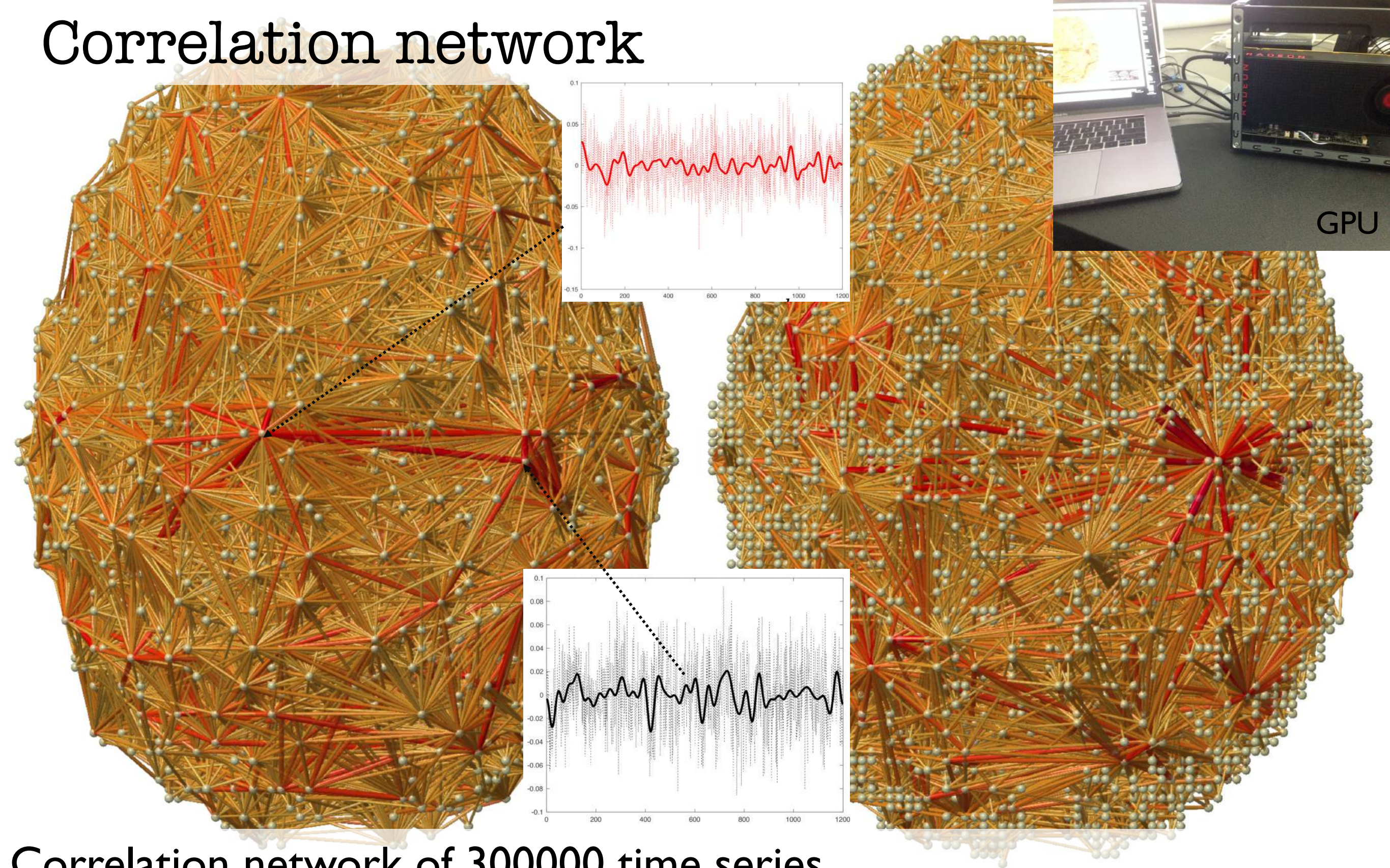
400 subjects (124 MZ twins
70 same-sex DZ twins)
x 2GB = 800GB data



Resting state fMRI (every 30 second)

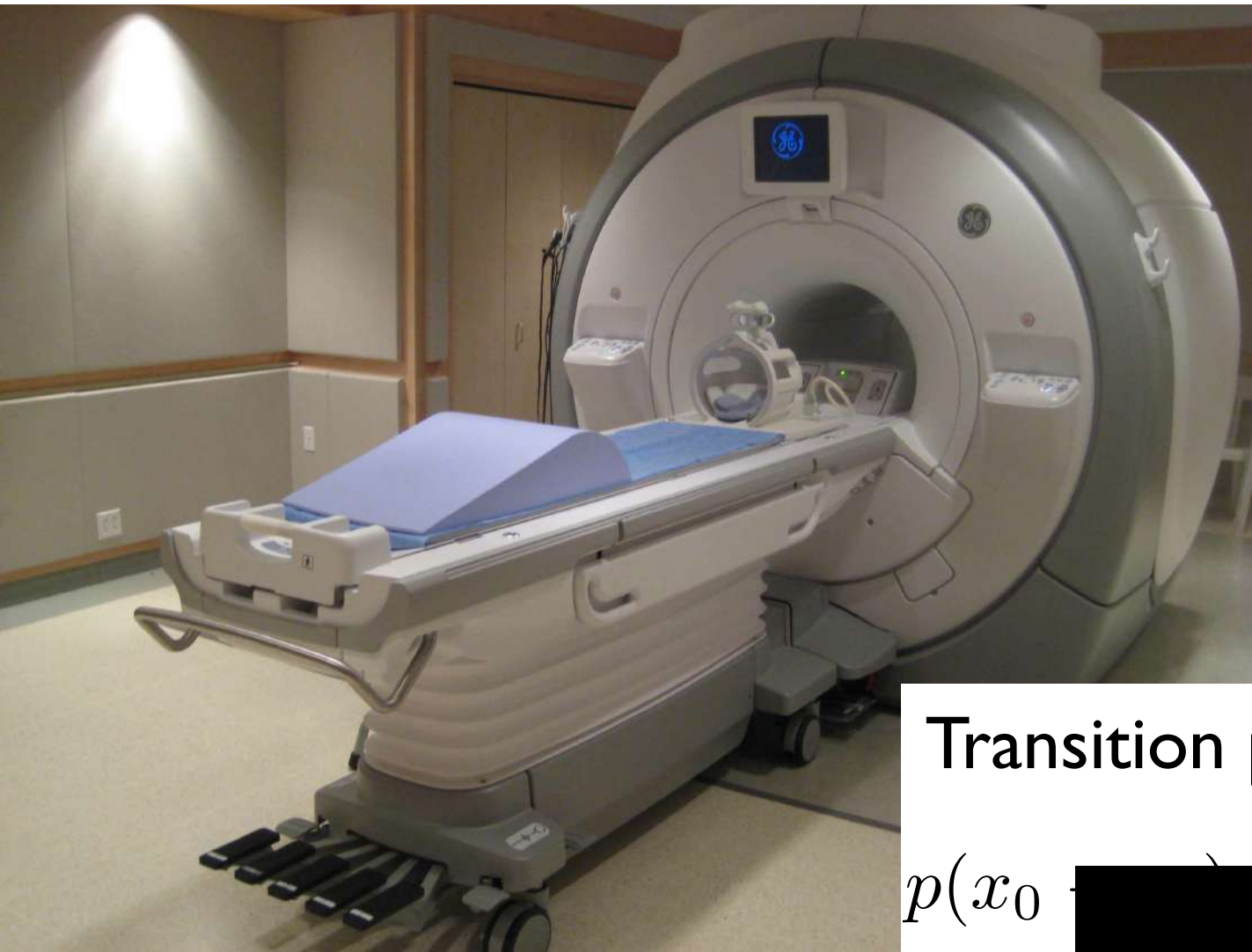


Correlation network

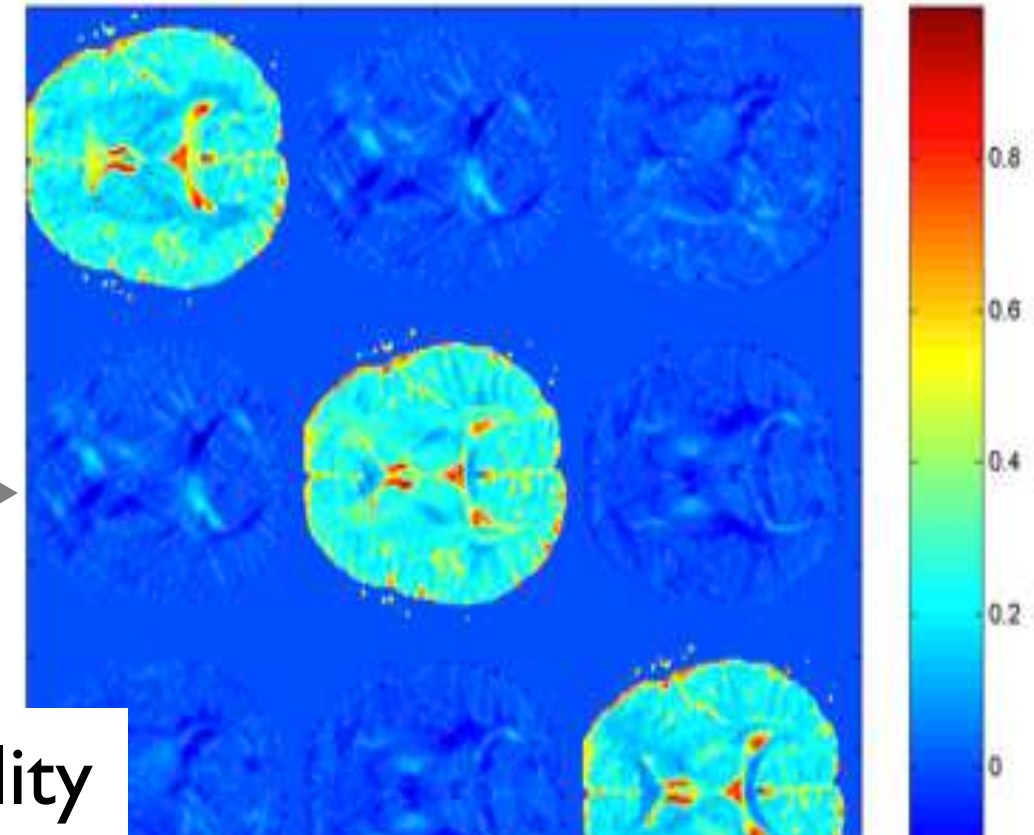


Correlation network of 300000 time series
Complete graph with many [cycles](#).

Diffusion tensor Imaging (DTI)

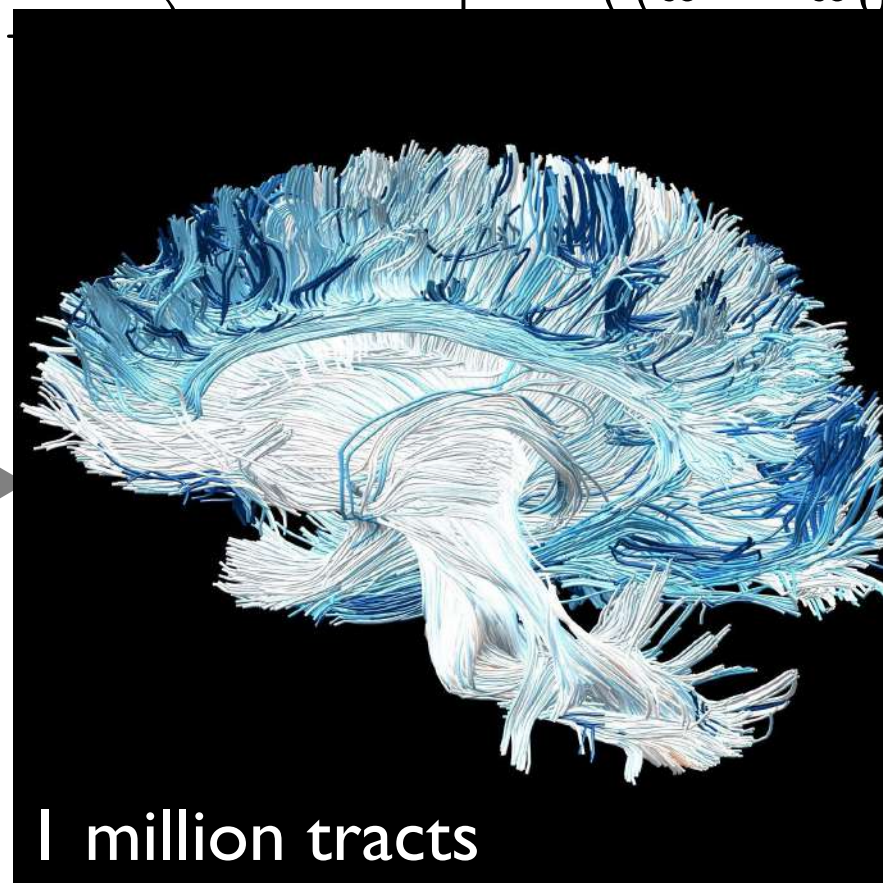


Diffusion tensor D



Transition probability

$$p(x_0 \rightarrow x) = \frac{\exp\left[-\frac{((x - x_0)^T D^{-1} (x - x_0))}{4\tau}\right]}{4\tau}$$



1 million tracts

Epsilon-neighbor network construction

Parcellation free brain network construction



White matter fibers

Part I: Fiber tractography

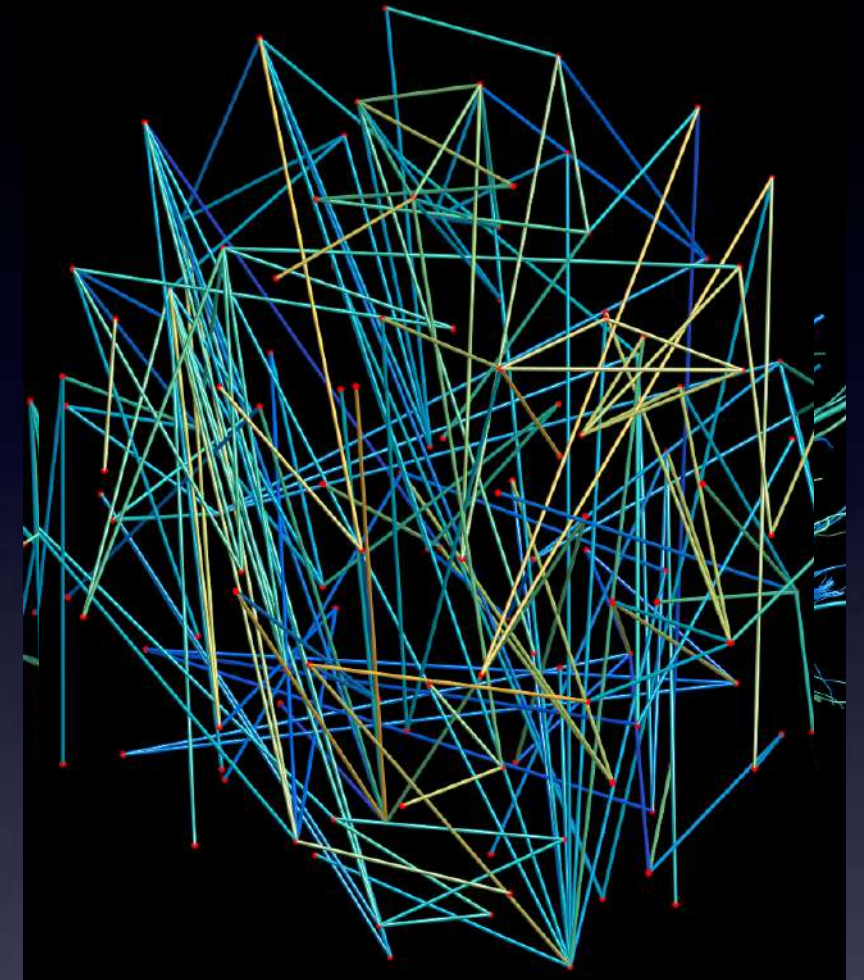
ϵ -neighbor
from point set
topology

$$\min_q \|q - p\| \leq \epsilon$$

p

Iteratively add one
edge at a time

Part II: ϵ -neighbor construction

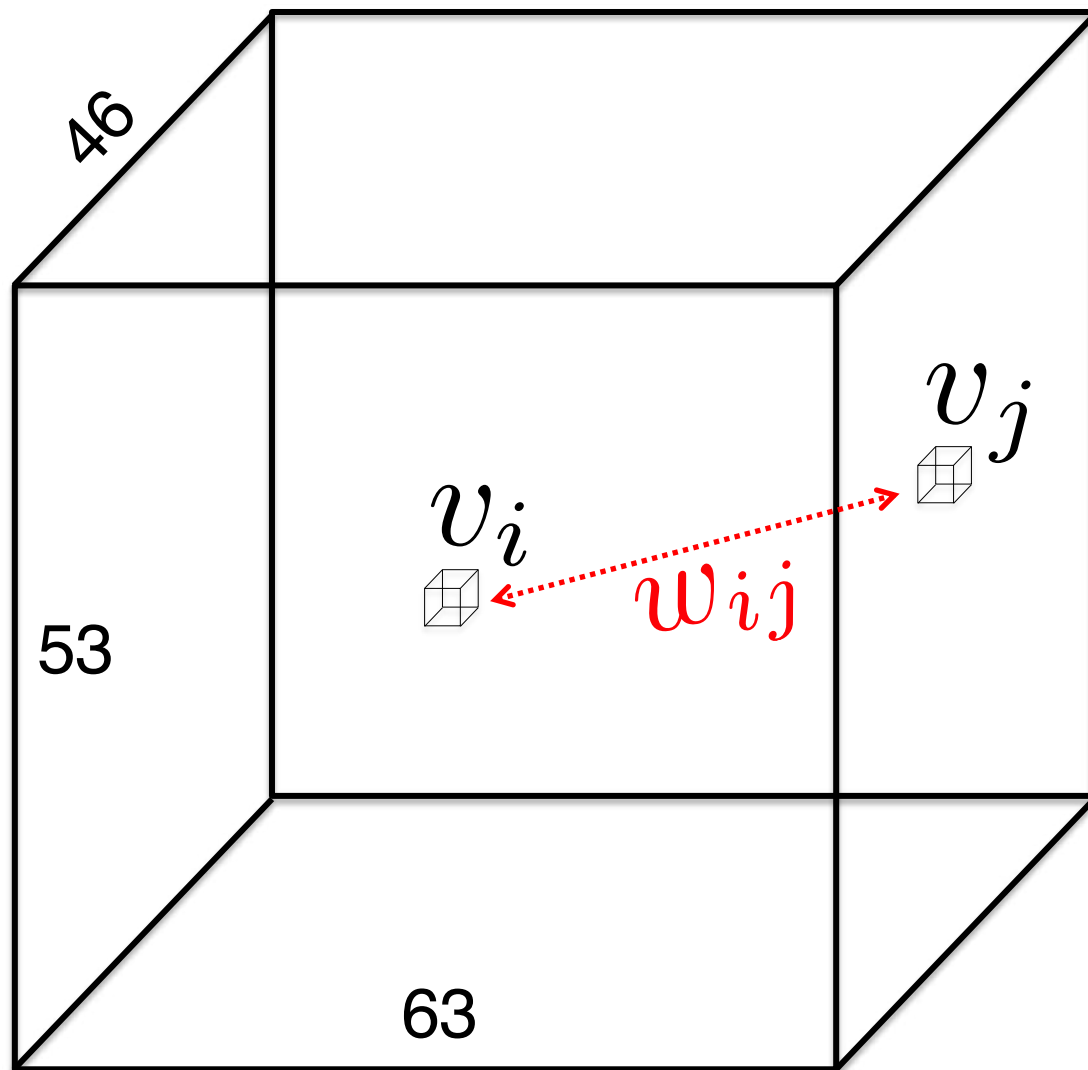


Multiscale brain network

Part III: 3D network graph

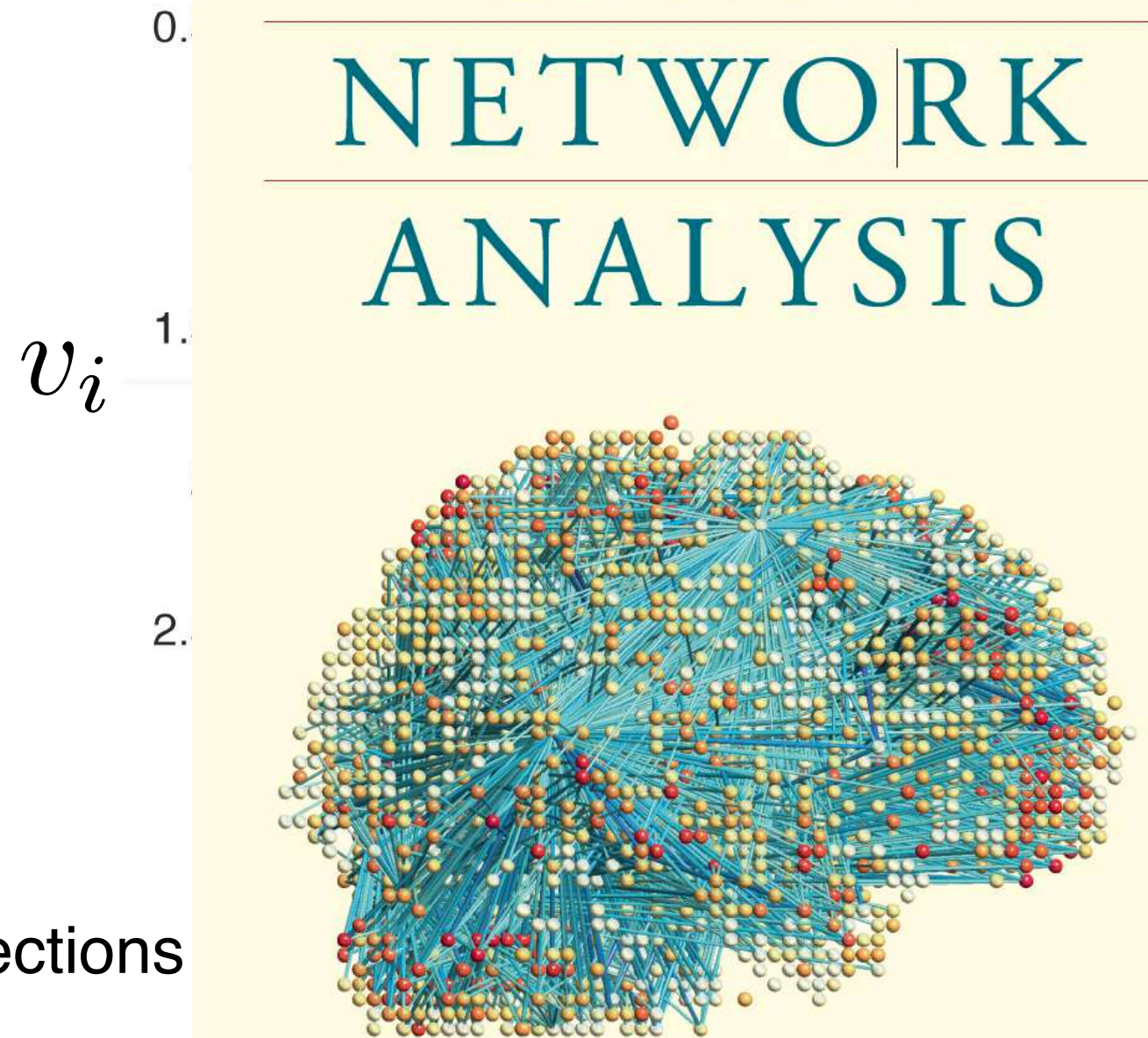
Finding: 96% of all nodes are connected to each other to form a tree-like single connected component

How big is brain network data?



$p=25972$ voxels (3mm) in the brain
→ $25972 \times 25972 = 0.67$ billion connections
5.2GB memory

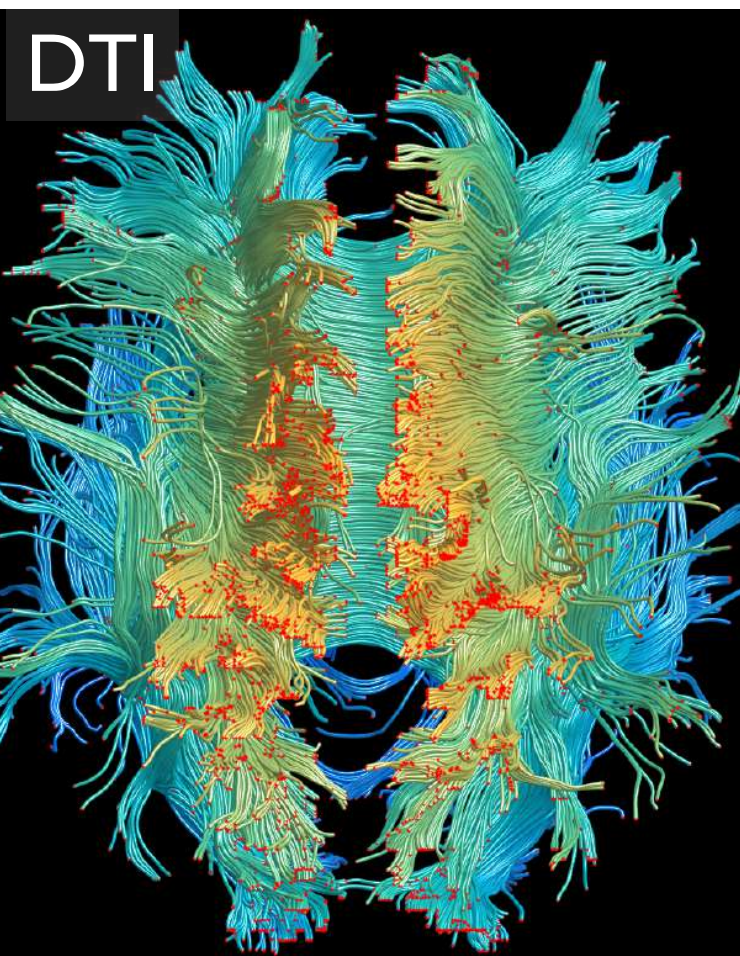
300000 voxels (1mm)
→ **90 billion connections**
→ 700 GB memory



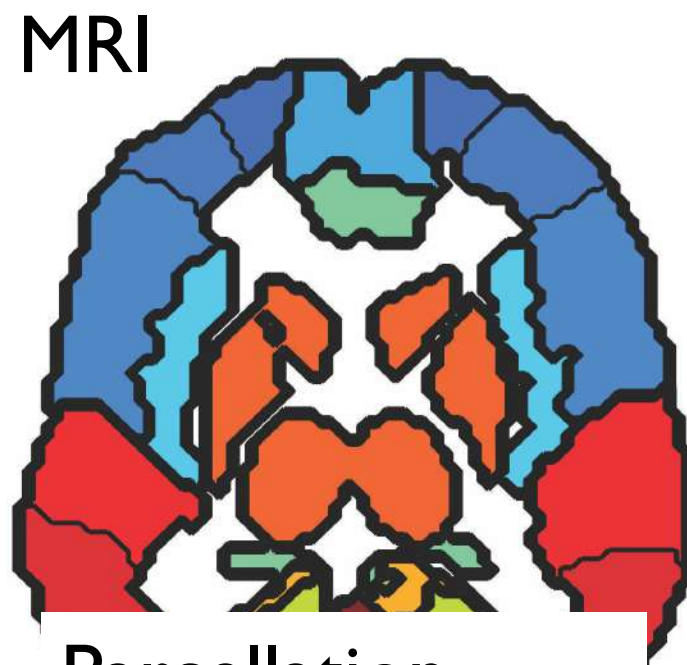
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2019 Cambridge University Press

Biological data reduction: Parcellation based network construction

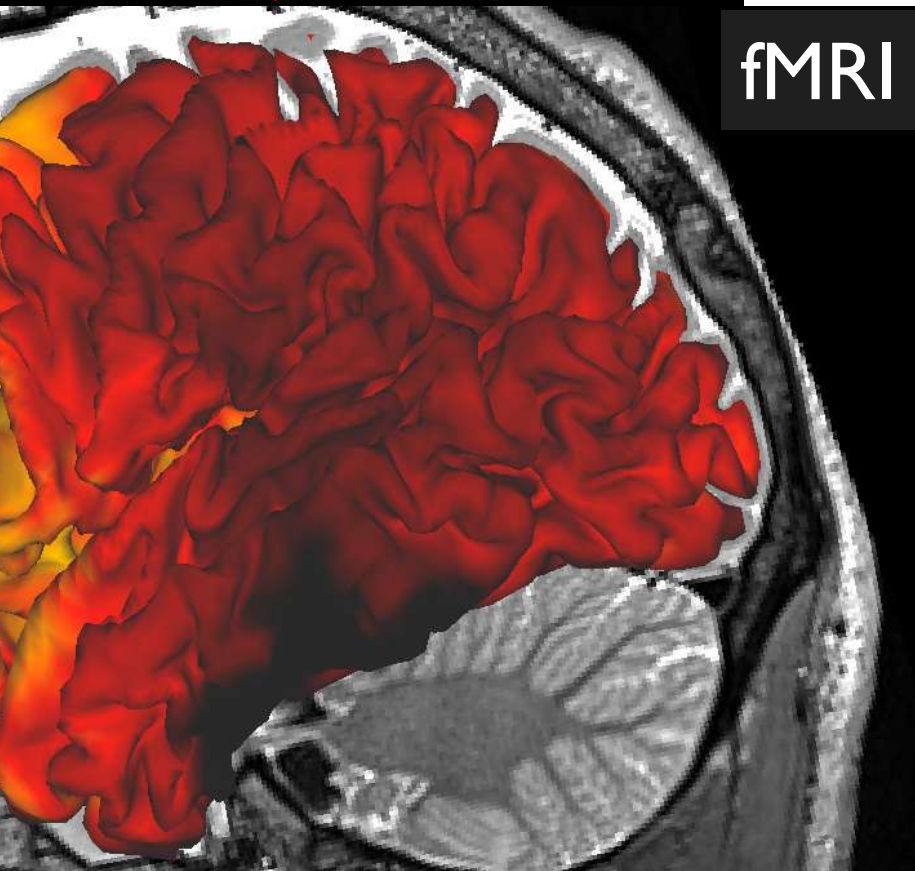
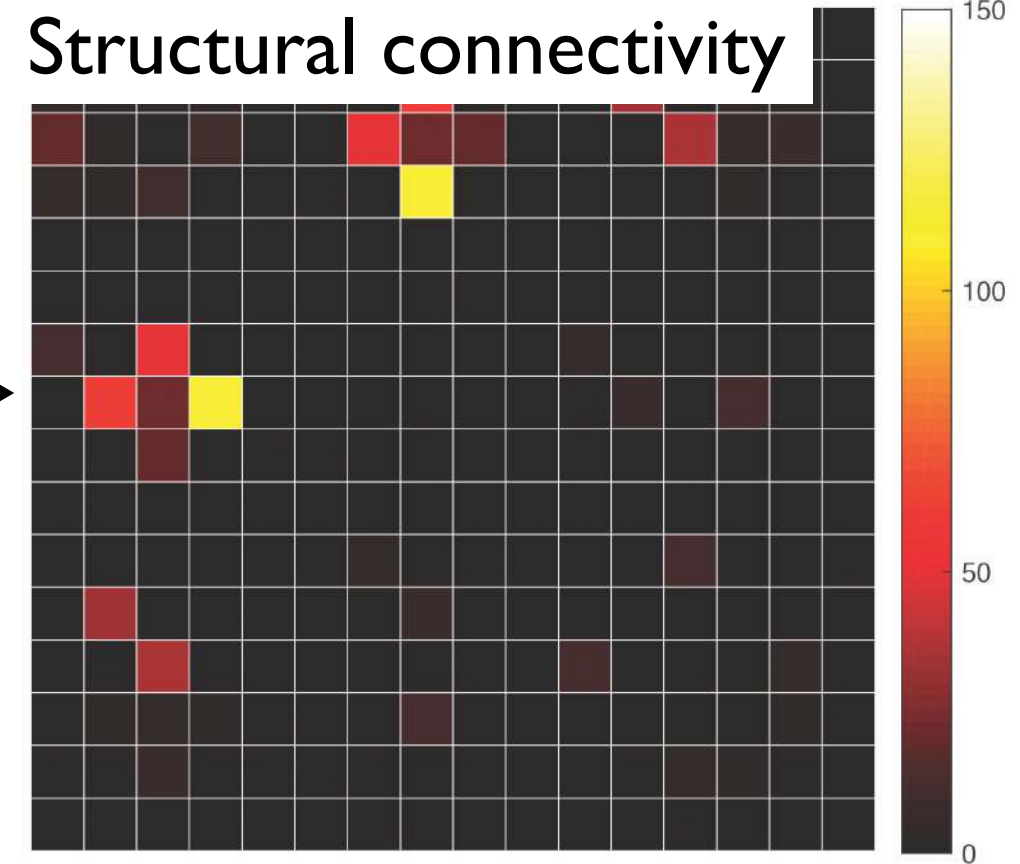


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Parcellation
partition brain
into 116 regions

→

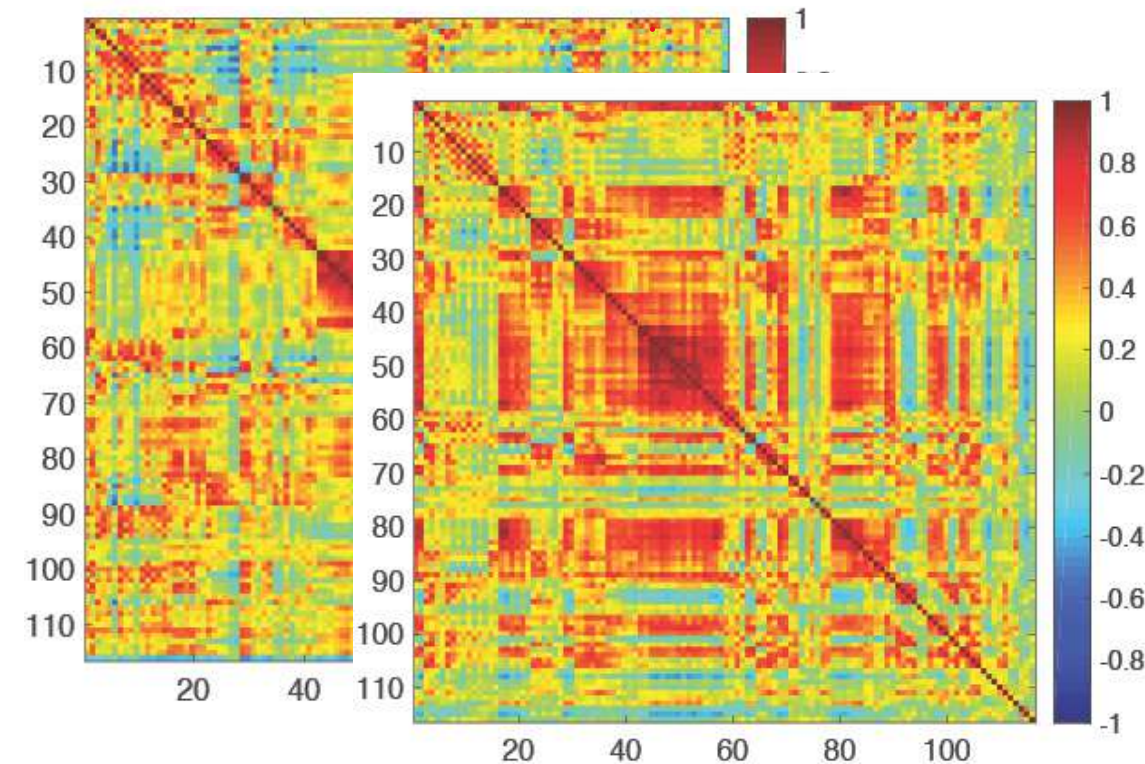


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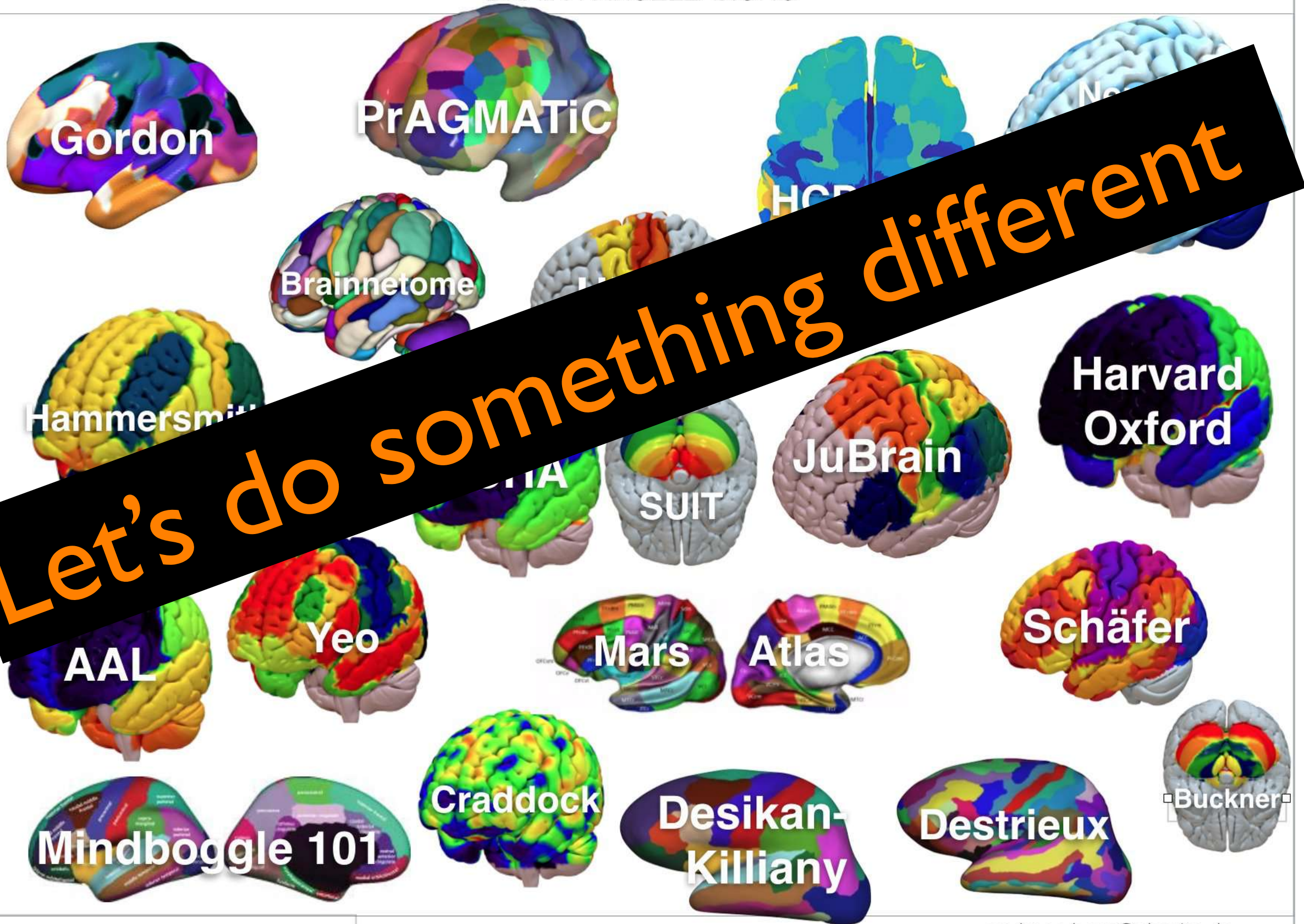
*Parcellation
boundaries
don't overlap
across subjects
and modality*

functional connectivity



Gazillions of parcellations. Why?

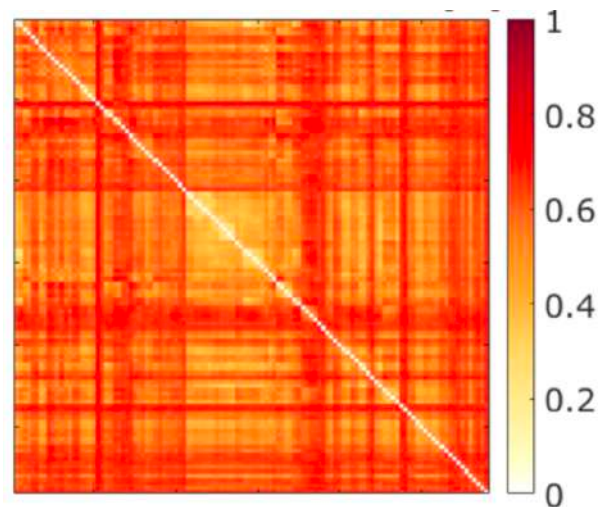
BRAIN PARCELLATIONS



Proposal: Deformable network

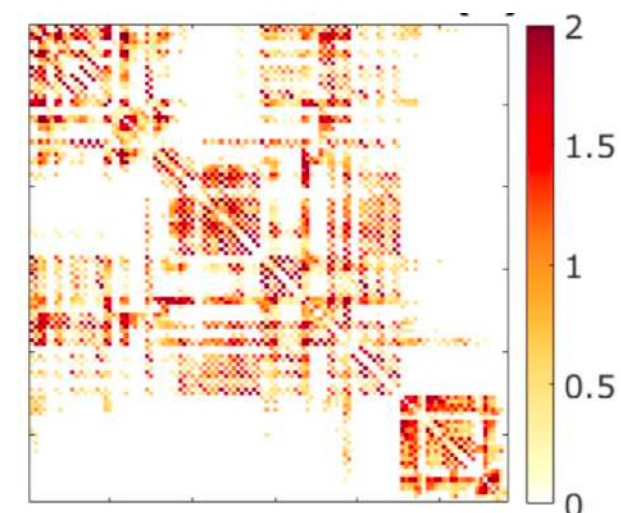
Functional network of subject k

$$G_k = (V, w^k)$$



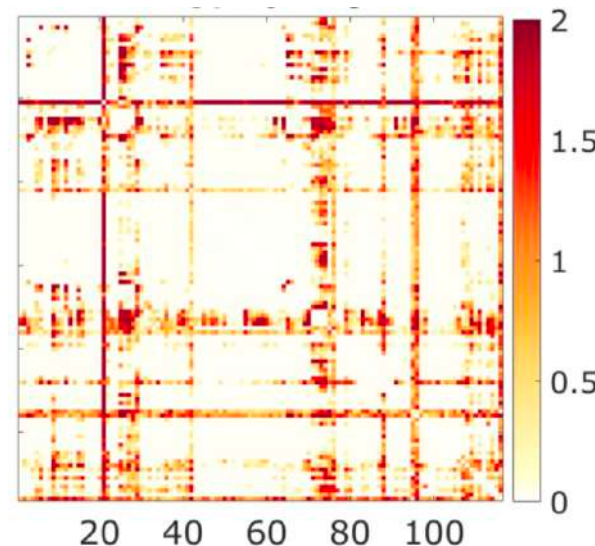
Structural network template

P



Topological registration

$\hat{\Theta}_k$



$$\hat{\Theta}_k = \underset{\Theta}{\operatorname{arg\,min}} \mathcal{L}_F(\Theta, G_k) + \lambda \mathcal{L}_{top}(\Theta, P)$$

Goodness-of-fit
Frobenius norm

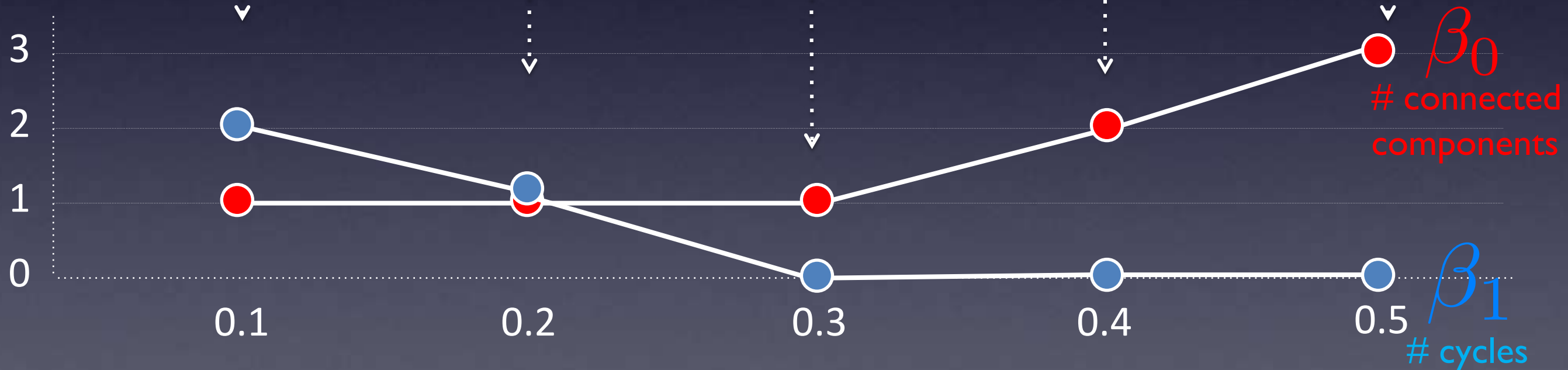
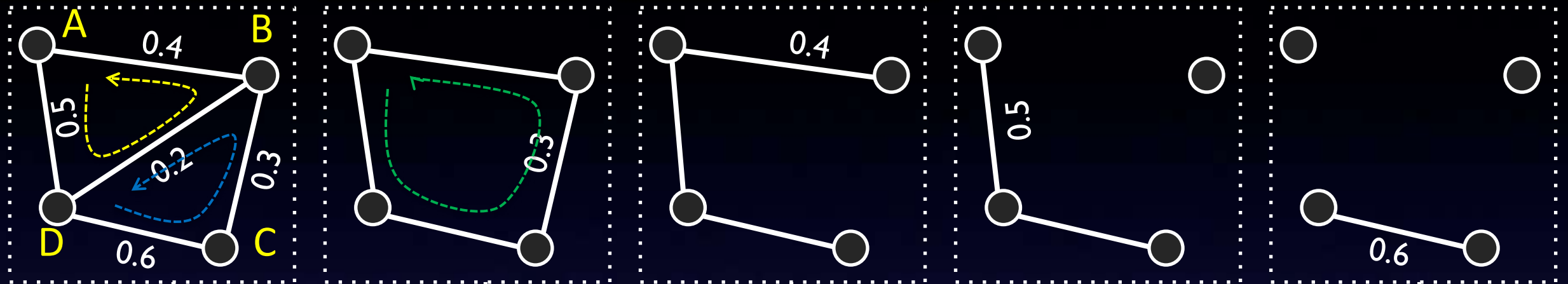
Control
amount
of topology

Topological loss

Graph filtration

Lee et al. 2012 IEEE Transactions on Medical Imaging

$ADCD = ADB + DCB \rightarrow$ vector space



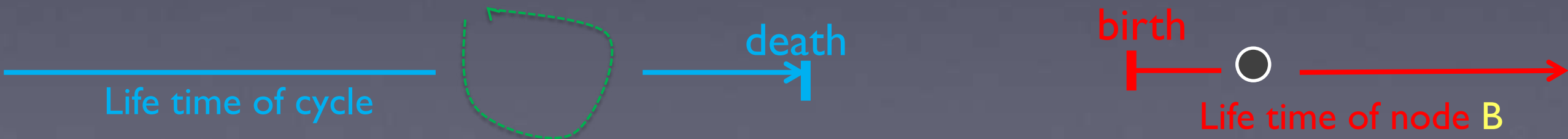
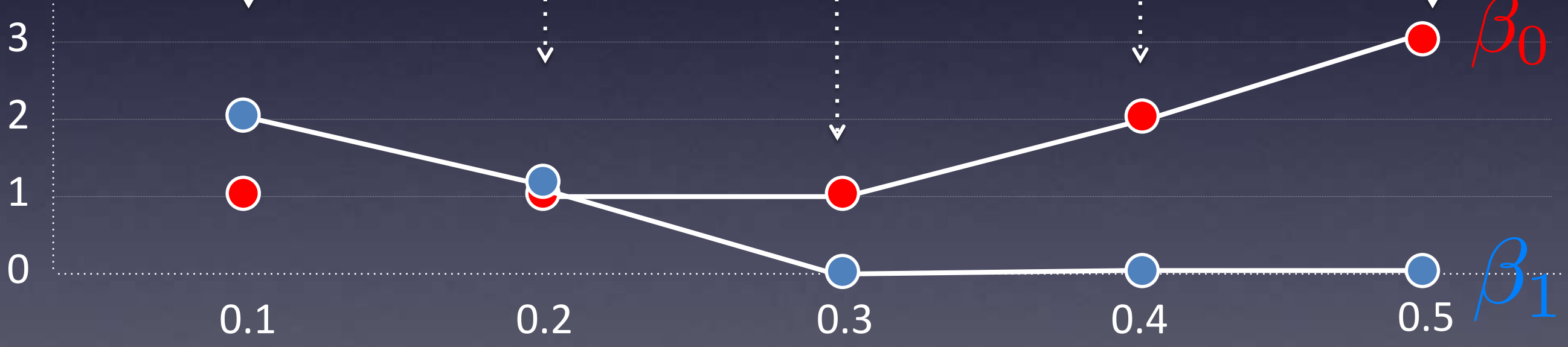
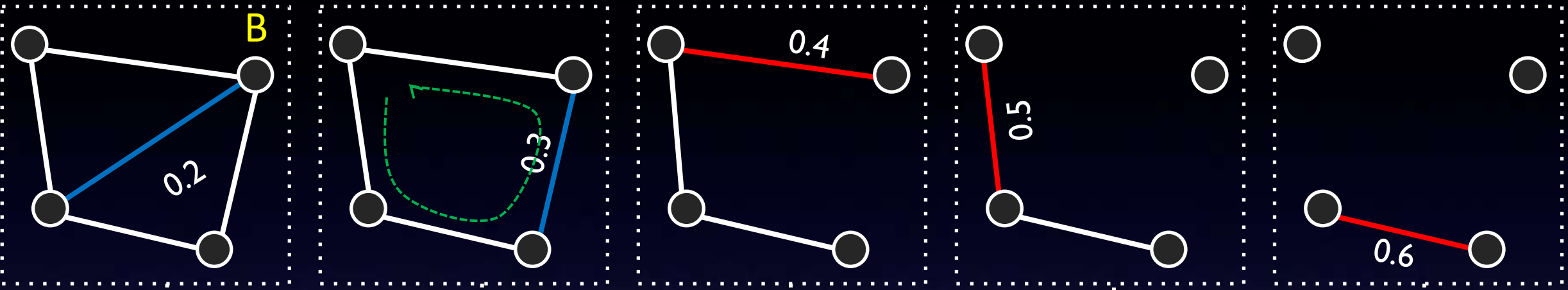
Monotonicity of Betti curves

Chung et al. 2019 Network Neuroscience

Persistence = Life time (death – birth) of a feature

Edges destroy cycles

Edges create components

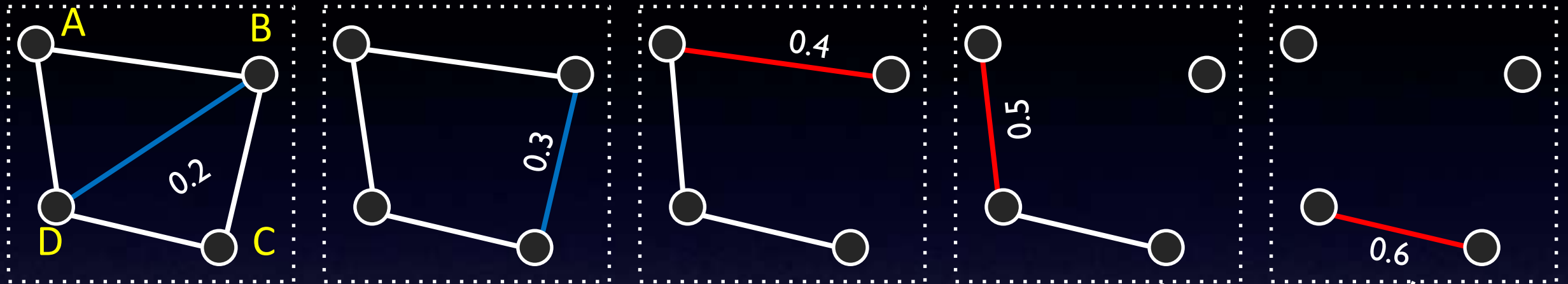


Theorem 1 Barcodes partition the edge set

$$E = E_0 \cup E_1$$

E_1 Edges destroy cycles

E_0 Edges create components



$$\#(E_1) = 1 + \frac{|V|(|V| - 3)}{2}$$

$$\#(E_0) = |V| - 1$$

$$\#(E) = \frac{|V|(|V| - 1)}{2}$$

Maximum spanning tree

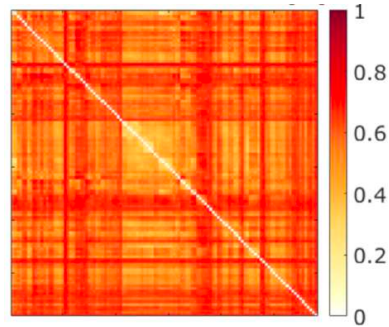


$$O(|E| \log |V|)$$

Topological loss

$$\Theta = (V^\Theta, w^\Theta)$$

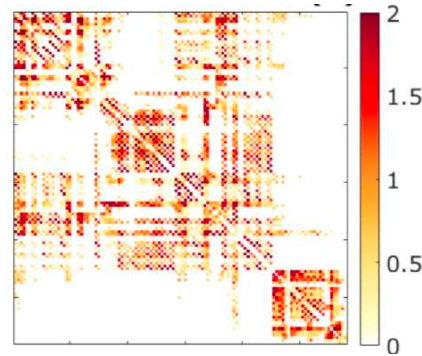
Functional network



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$$P = (V^P, w^P)$$

Structural network



$$\mathcal{L}_{top}(\Theta, P) = \mathcal{L}_{0D}(\Theta, P) + \mathcal{L}_{1D}(\Theta, P)$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{0D}(\Theta, P) = \min_{\tau} \sum_{b \in E_0} [b - \tau(b)]^2$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{1D}(\Theta, P) = \min_{\tau} \sum_{d \in E_1} [d - \tau(d)]^2$$

Theorem 2 Optimal topological matching

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{L}_{0D}(\Theta, P) &= \min_{\tau} \sum_{b \in E_0} [b - \tau(b)]^2 \\ &= \sum_{b \in E_0} [b - \tau_0^*(b)]^2\end{aligned}$$

τ_0^* The i -th smallest birth value to the i -th smallest birth value

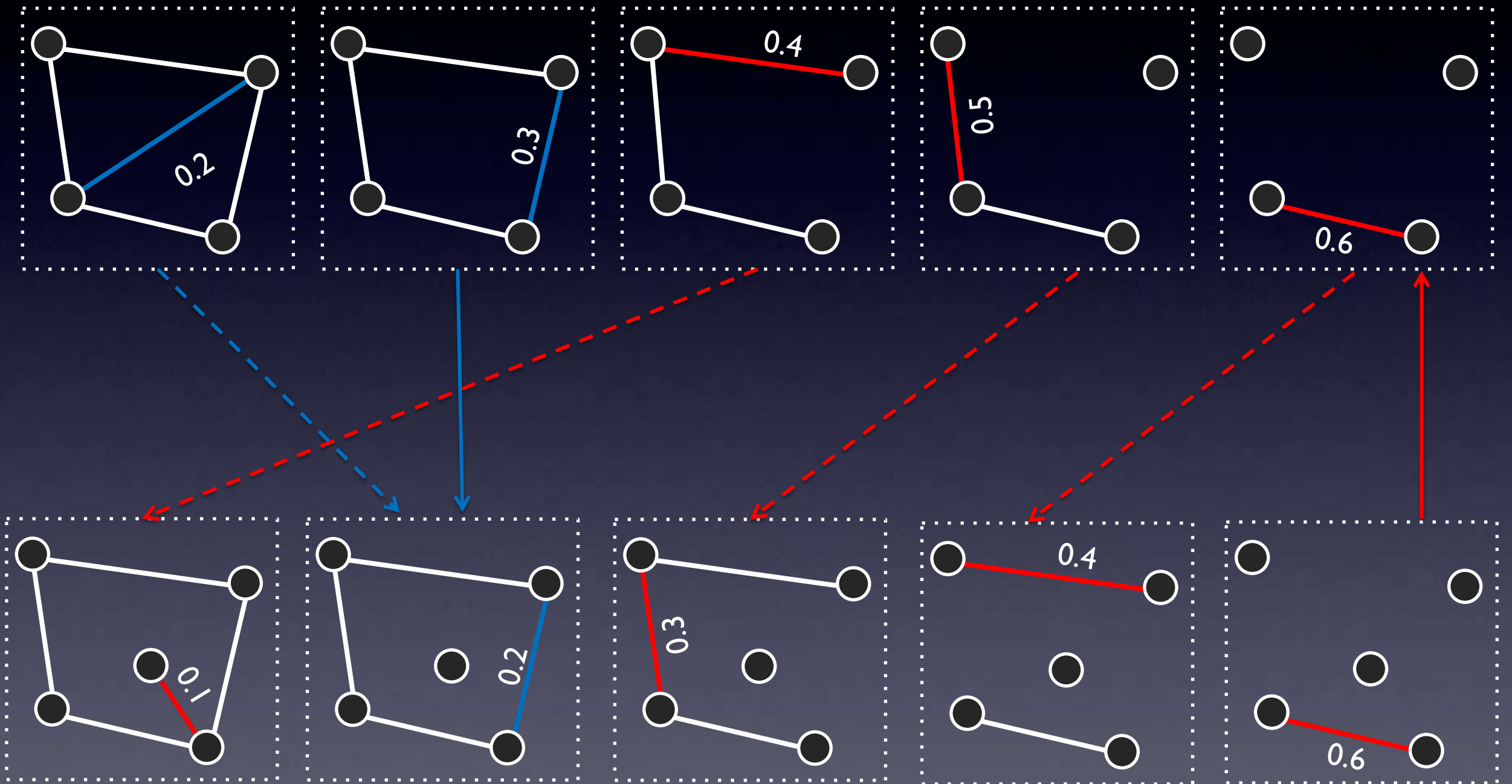
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The i -th smallest death value to the i -th smallest death value

Topological matching via sorting with data augmentation

E_1 Edges destroy cycles

E_0 Edges create components

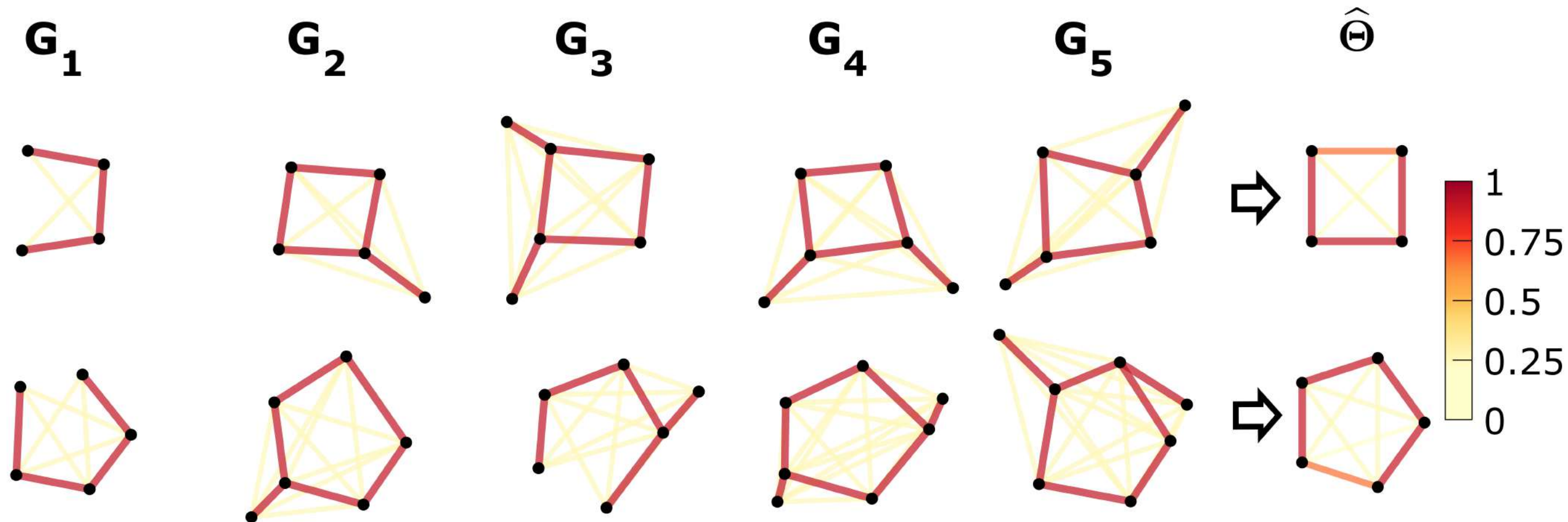


Topological mean

$$\hat{\Theta} = \arg \min_{\Theta} \sum_{k=1}^n \mathcal{L}_{top}(\Theta, G_k)$$

Death values of Θ are given by averaging the sorted death values of all the networks G_k .

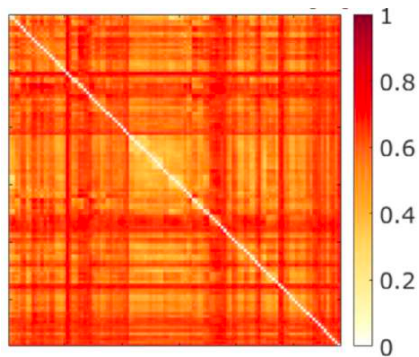
1. Sort birth/death values.
2. Match them
3. Average



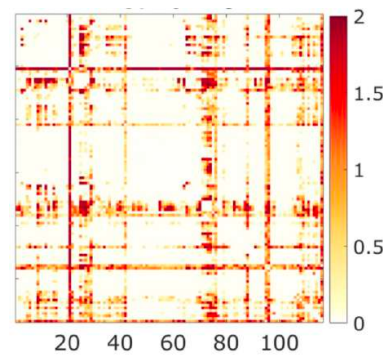
Template-based brain network analysis

Functional network

$$G_k = (V, w^k)$$

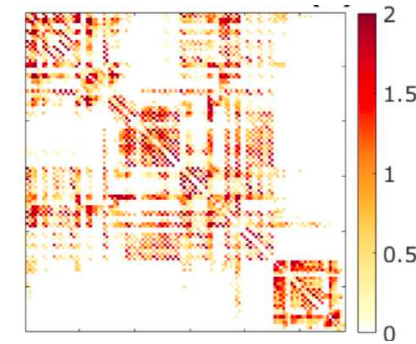


$$\hat{\Theta}_k$$



Structural network

$$P$$



Align individual functional network to structural template

$$\hat{\Theta}_k = \underset{\Theta}{\operatorname{arg\,min}} \mathcal{L}_F(\Theta, G_k) + \lambda \mathcal{L}_{top}(\Theta, P)$$

Frobenius norm

Control
amount
of topology

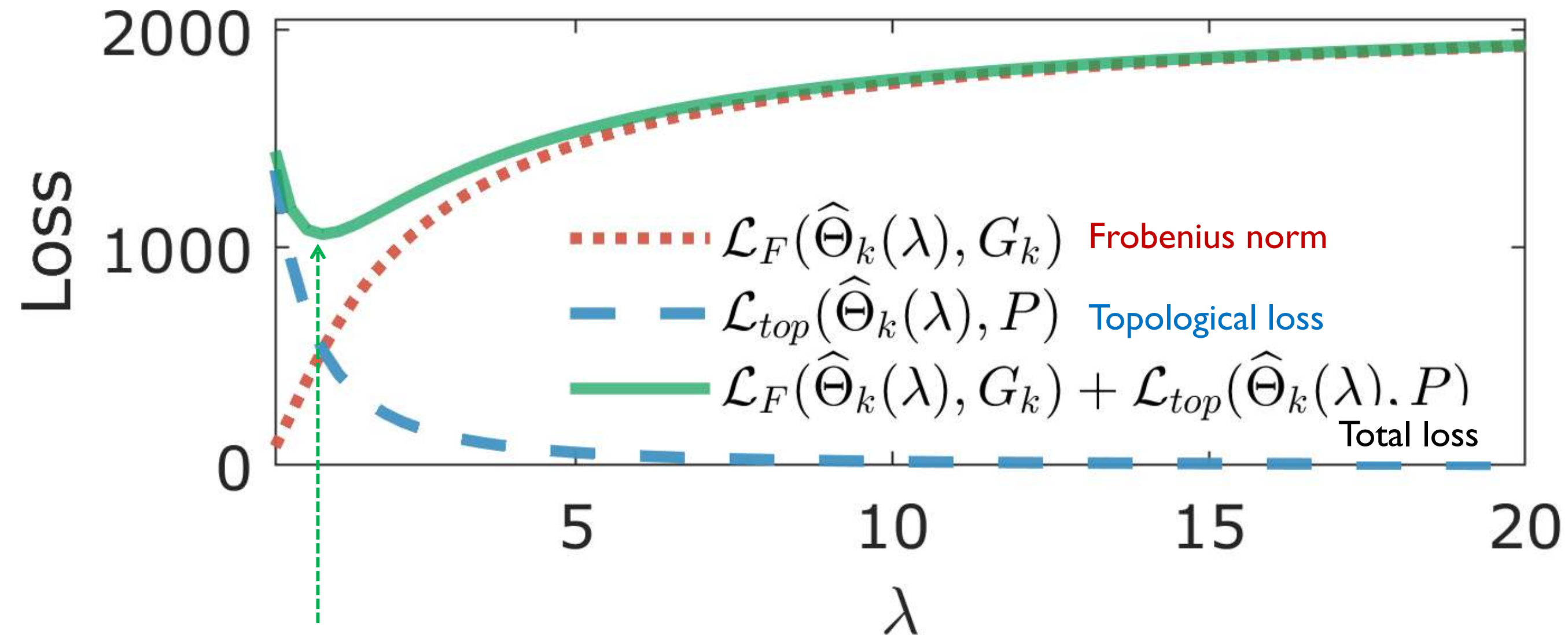
Topological loss

Topological gradient descent

$$\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}_{top}(\Theta, P)}{\partial w_{ij}^{\Theta}} = \begin{cases} 2[w_{ij}^{\Theta} - \tau_{0*}(w_{ij}^{\Theta})] & \text{if } w_{ij}^{\Theta} \in E_0; \\ 2[w_{ij}^{\Theta} - \tau_{1*}(w_{ij}^{\Theta})] & \text{if } w_{ij}^{\Theta} \in E_1 \end{cases}$$

Run time $O(|E| \log |V|)$

Optimal amount of topology?



1.0000 \pm 0.0002
over 412 subjects

Topological stability

Topological learning at group level

Functional networks

$$G_1 = (V, w^1), \dots, G_n = (V, w^n)$$

Structural network

P

Register every functional network to structural template

$$\hat{\Theta}_k = \mathop{\text{arg min}}_{\Theta} \frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=1}^n \mathcal{L}_F(\Theta, G_k) + \lambda \mathcal{L}_{top}(\Theta, P)$$

Frobenius norm

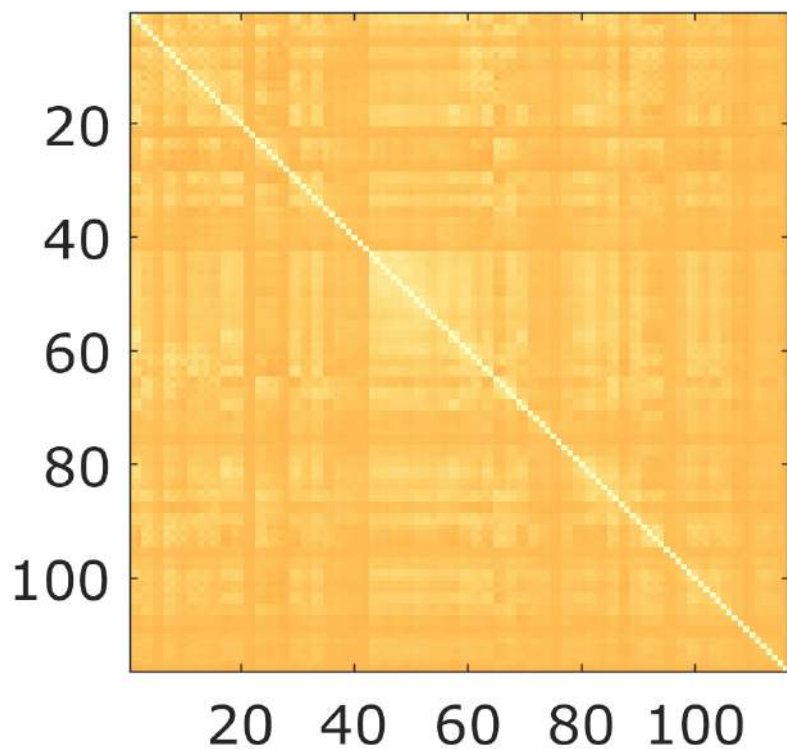
Topological loss

Control amount
of topological learning

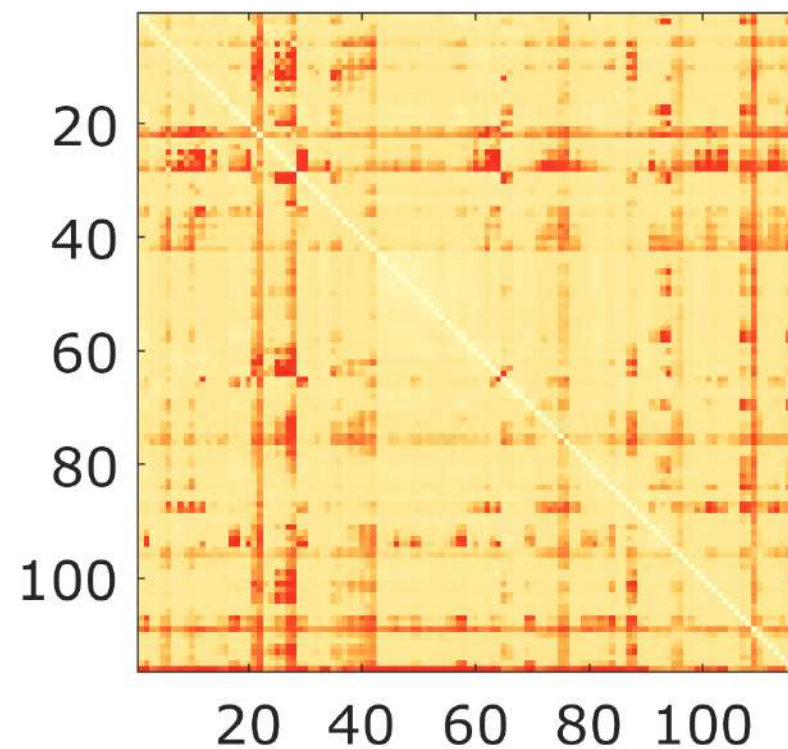
Topological learning at group level

232 females

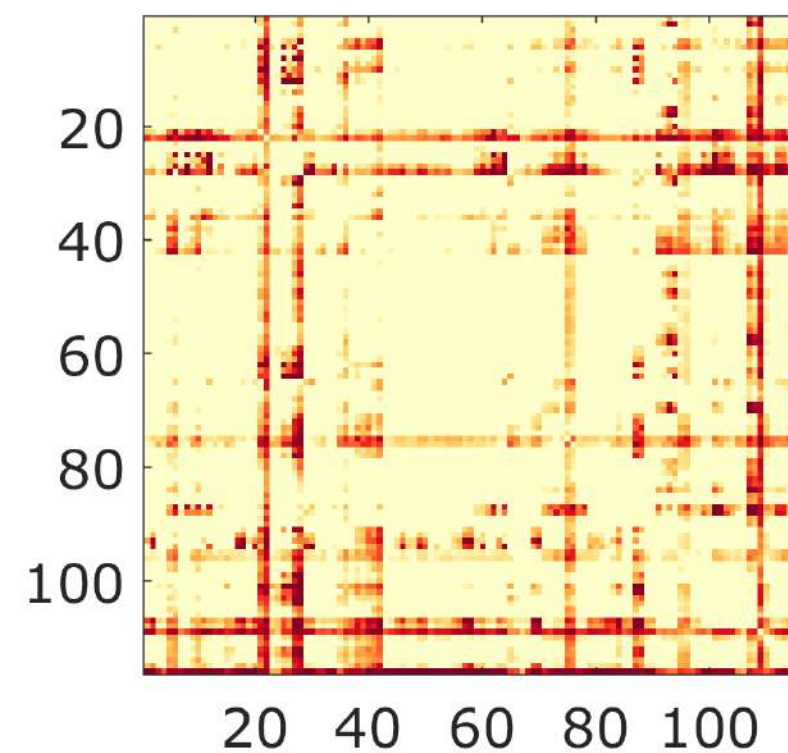
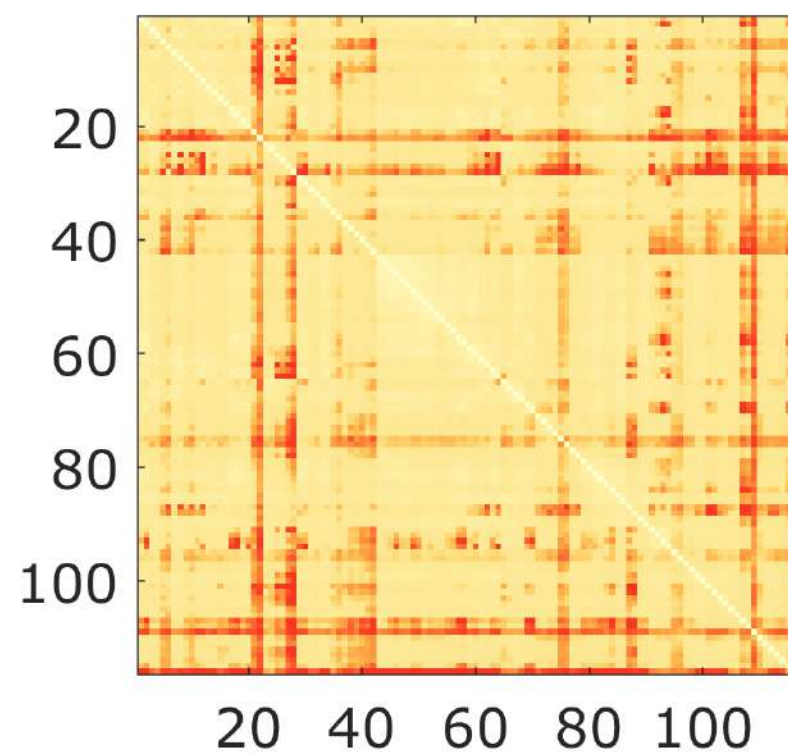
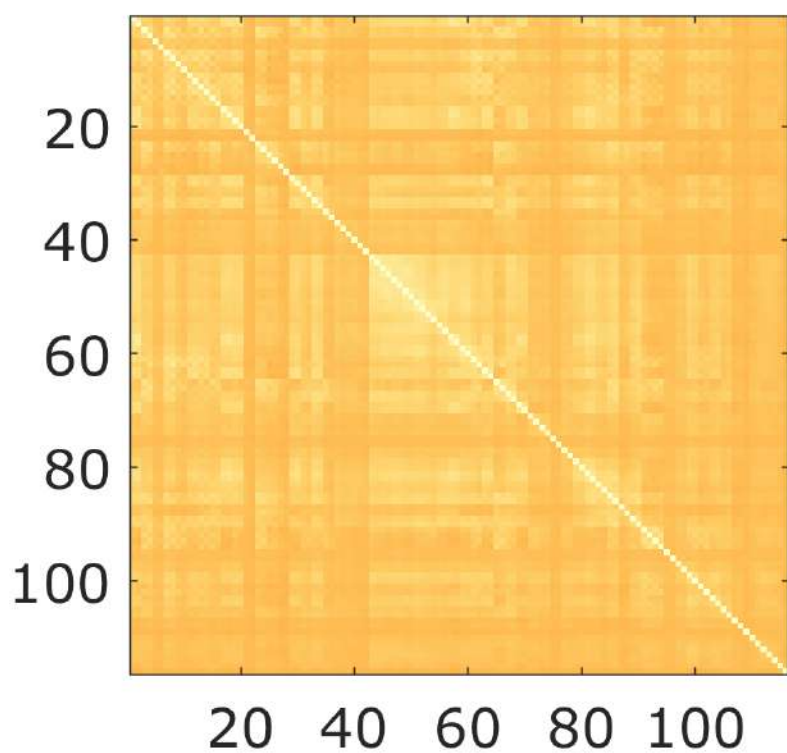
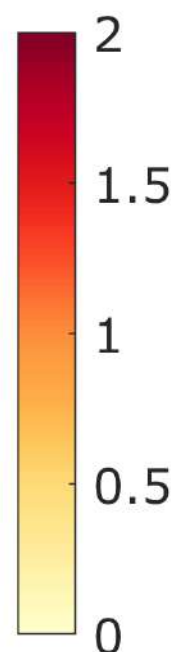
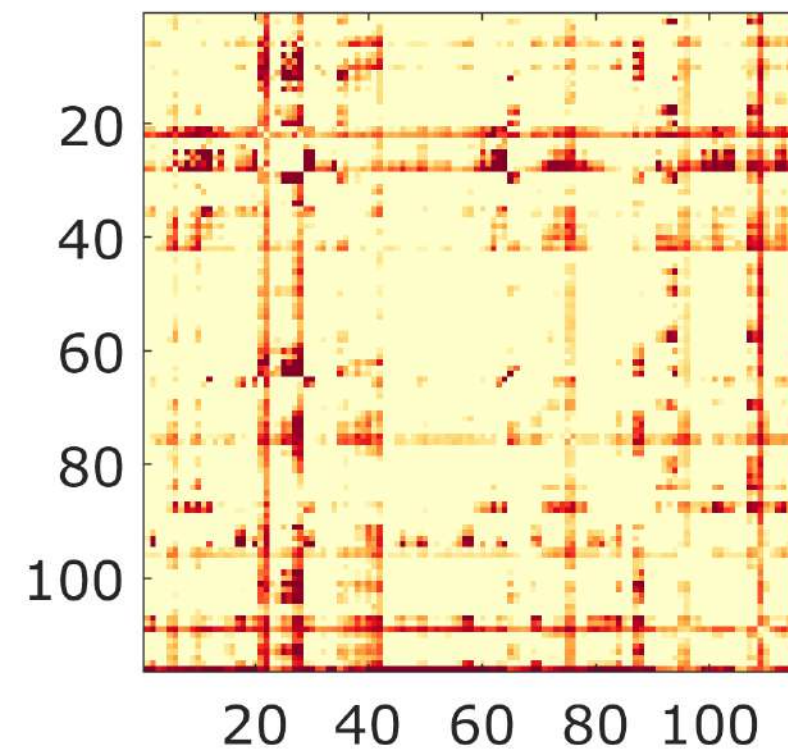
$\lambda = 0$



$\lambda = 1$



$\lambda = 100$



168 males

Learned
group level
network

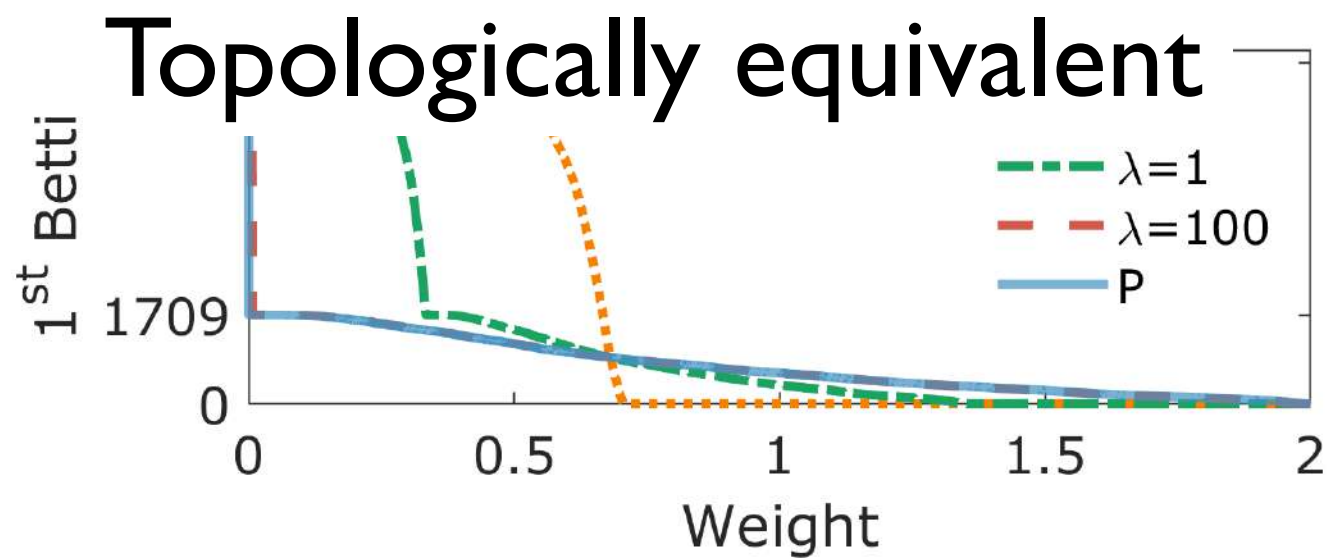
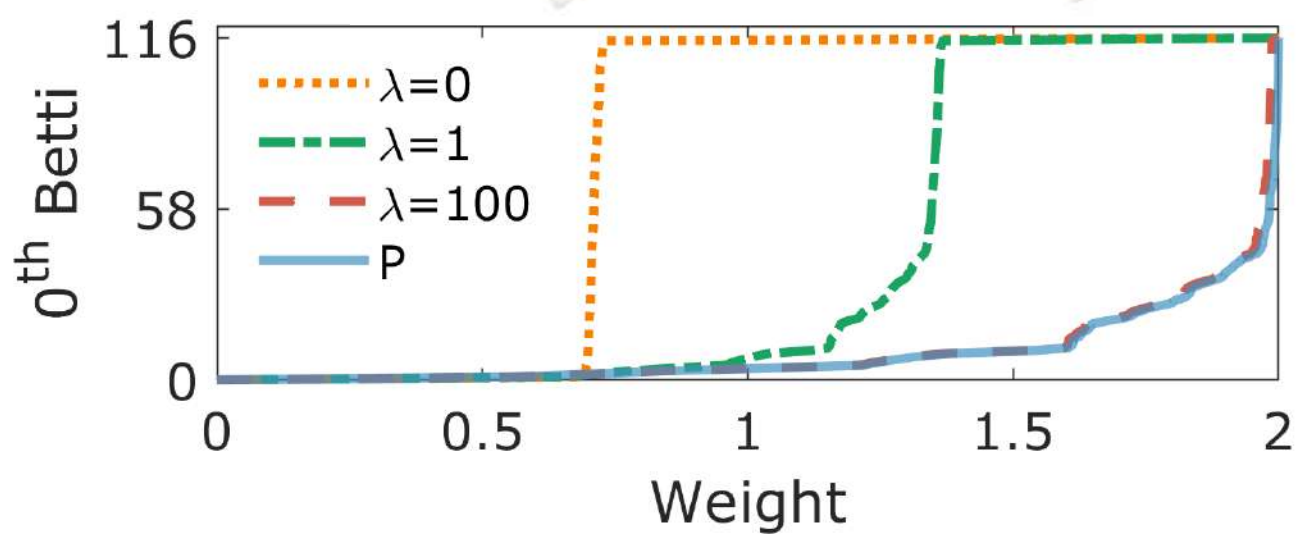
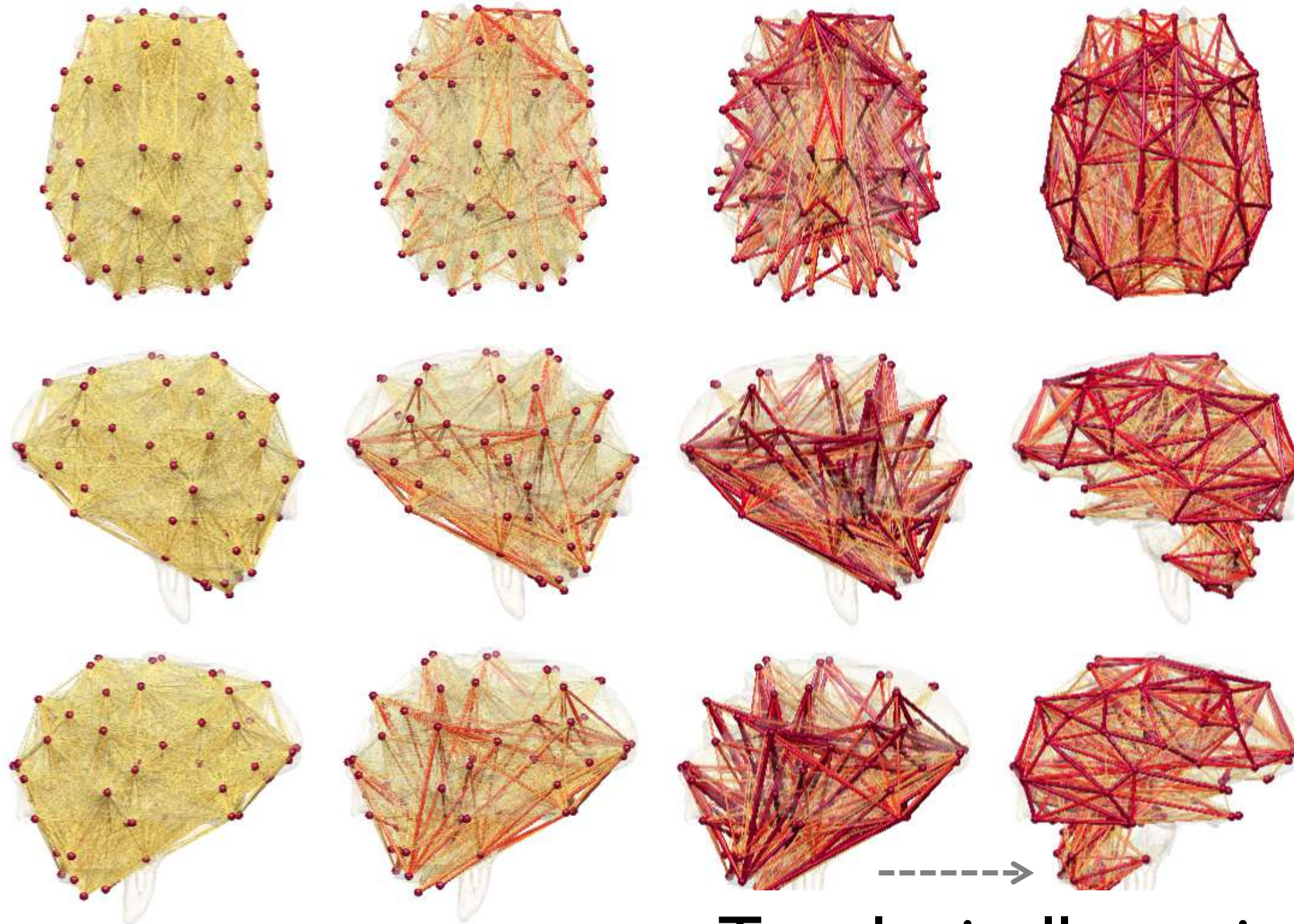
$\lambda = 0$

$\lambda = 1$

$\lambda = 100$

P

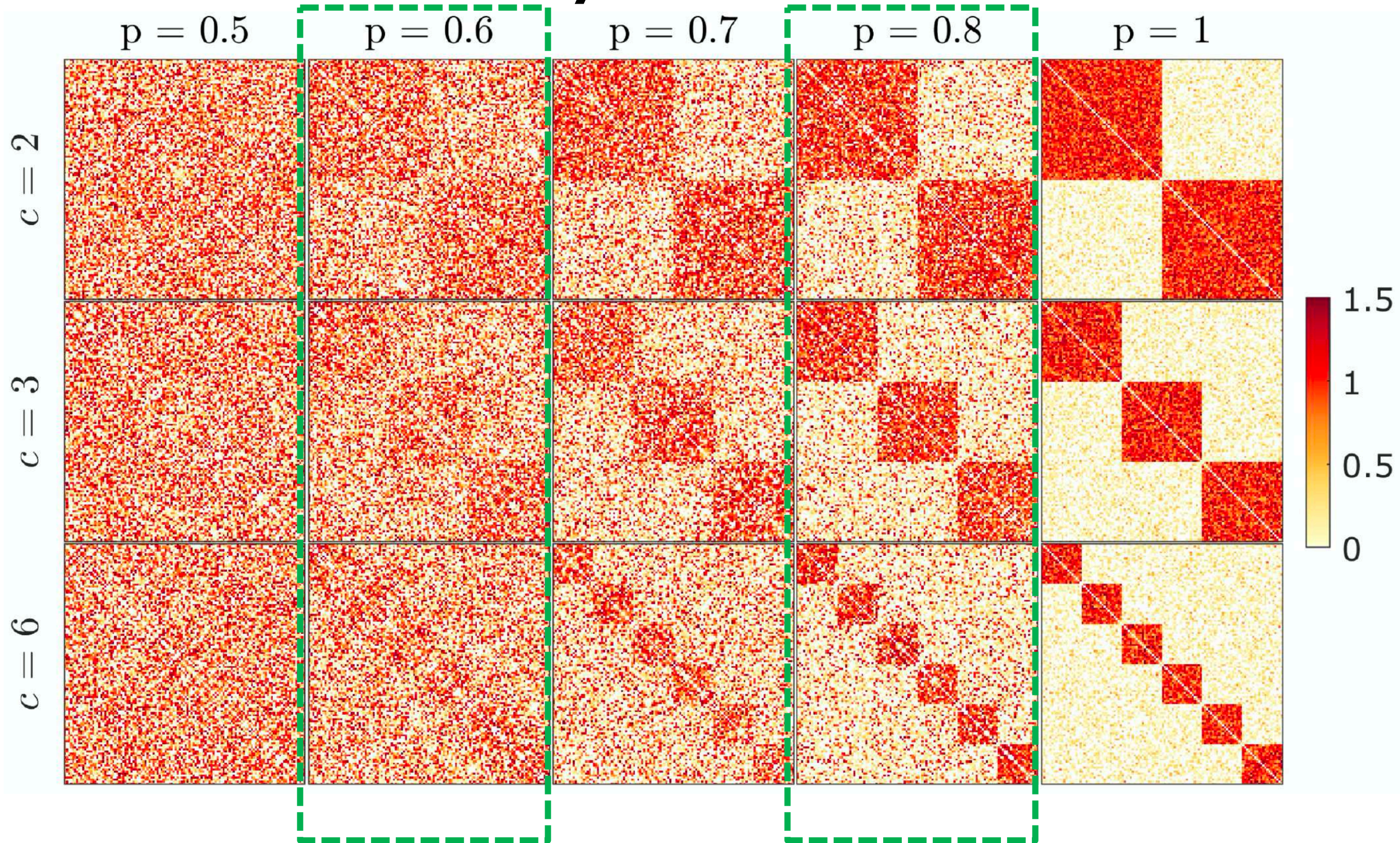
Structural
template



Topologically equivalent

Simulation study

Within module connection probability p
Between module connection probability $1-p$



generate 10 networks vs. 10 networks

Permutation test for topological loss

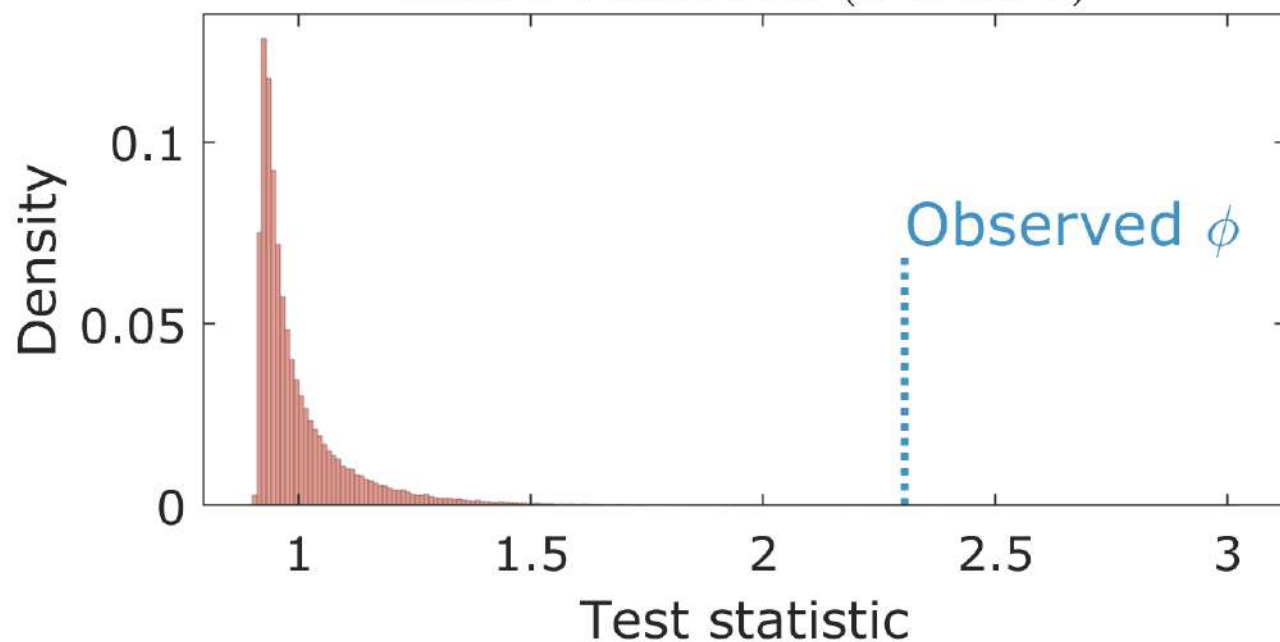
Between-class loss

$$\bar{\mathcal{L}}_B \propto \sum_{i \in C_1, j \in C_2} \mathcal{L}(G_i, G_j)$$

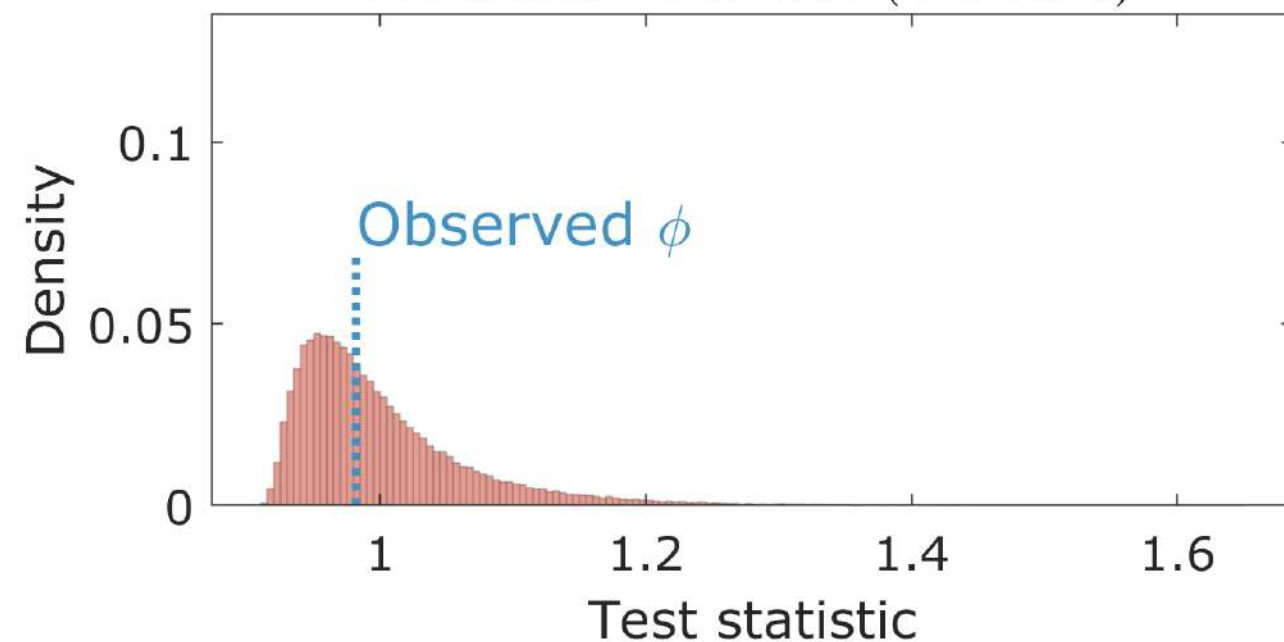
Within-class loss

$$\bar{\mathcal{L}}_W \propto \sum_k \sum_{i, j \in C_k} \mathcal{L}(G_i, G_j) \quad \text{Statistic } \phi = \frac{\bar{\mathcal{L}}_B}{\bar{\mathcal{L}}_W}$$

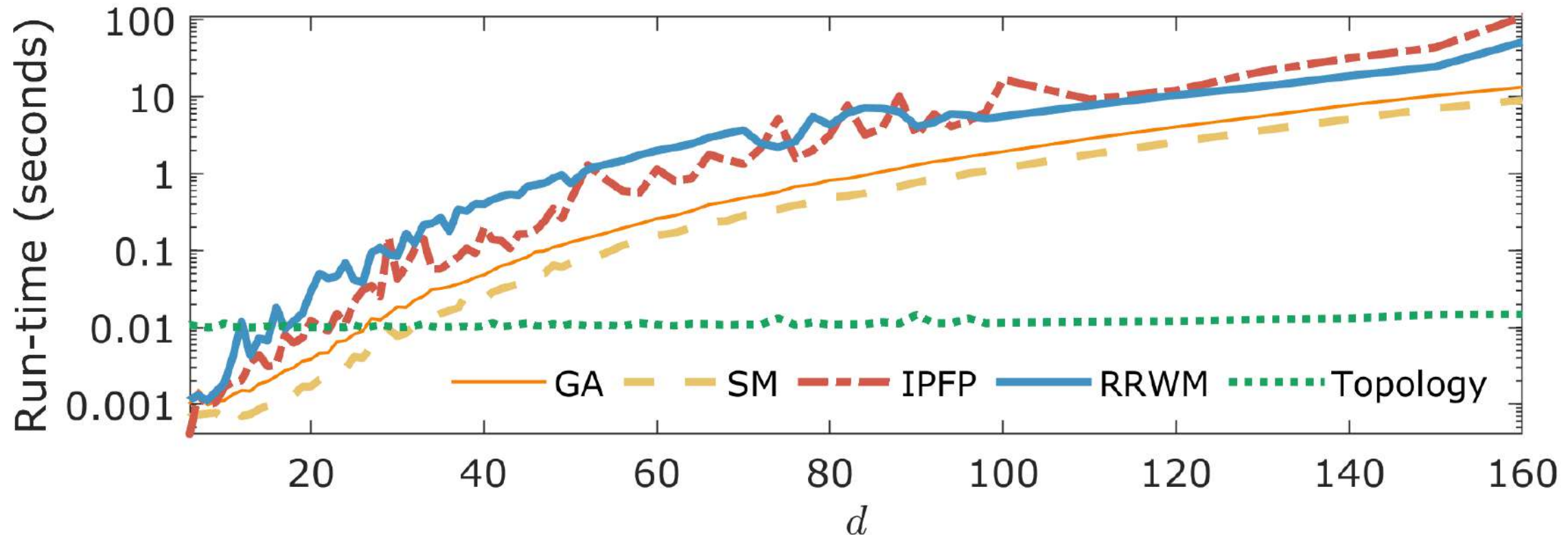
Network difference ($c: 2$ vs. 3)



No network difference ($c: 3$ vs. 3)



Permutation test is *not* easy to apply to existing graph matching algorithms!



100 second per permutation

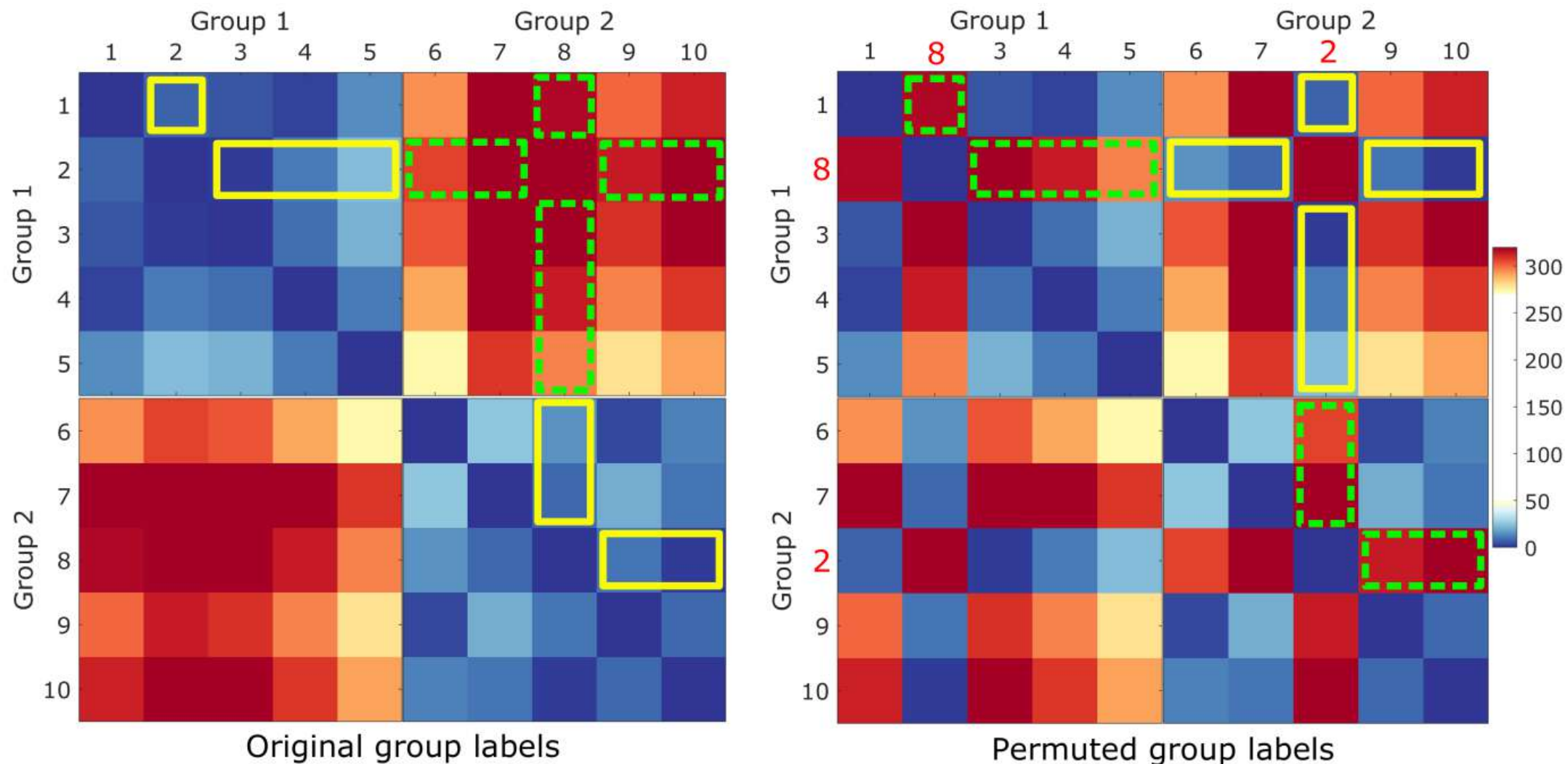
→ permutation test with 100000 permutations
= 2778 hours = **115 days**

→ Permutation test via **random transpositions**

Chung et al. 2019 Connectomics in NeuroImaging

Transposition test on loss functions

Subject 2 in group 1 swapping with subject 8 in group 2



Compute the incremental change of loss functions over transposition

$$\bar{\mathcal{L}}_W \rightarrow \bar{\mathcal{L}}_W + \Delta(\text{transposition})$$

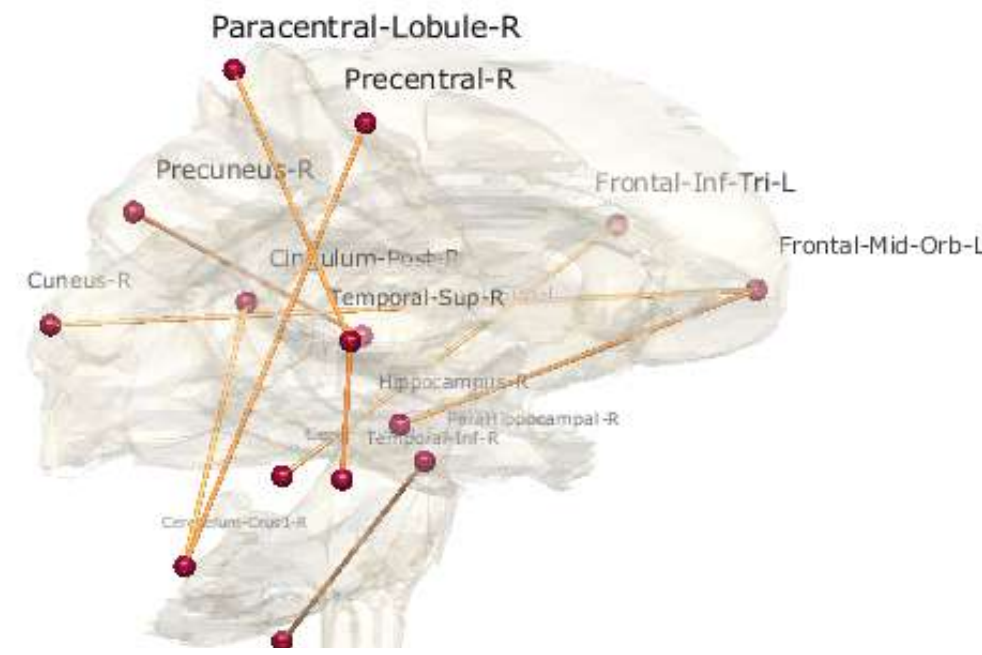
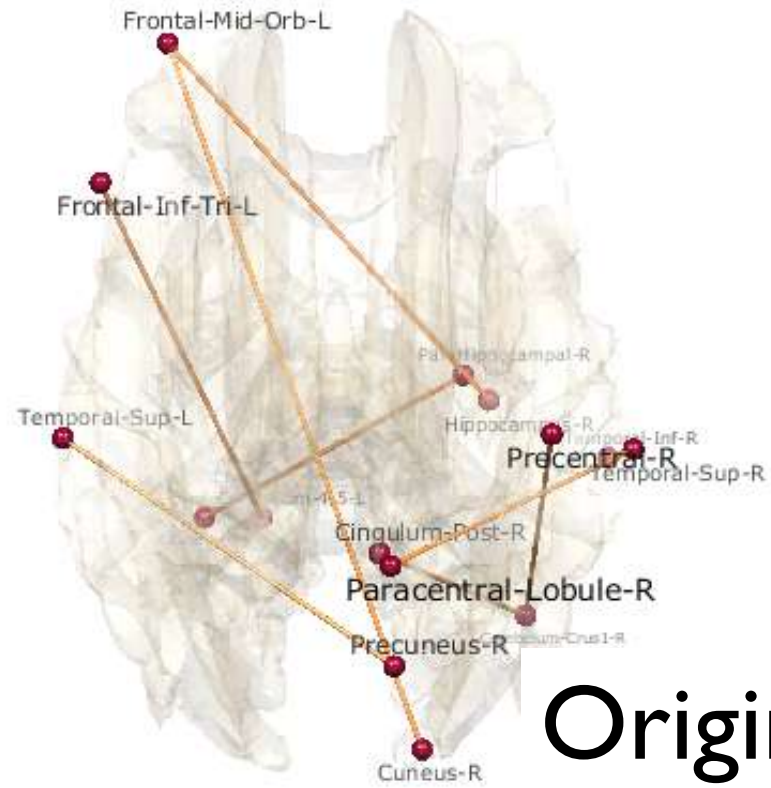
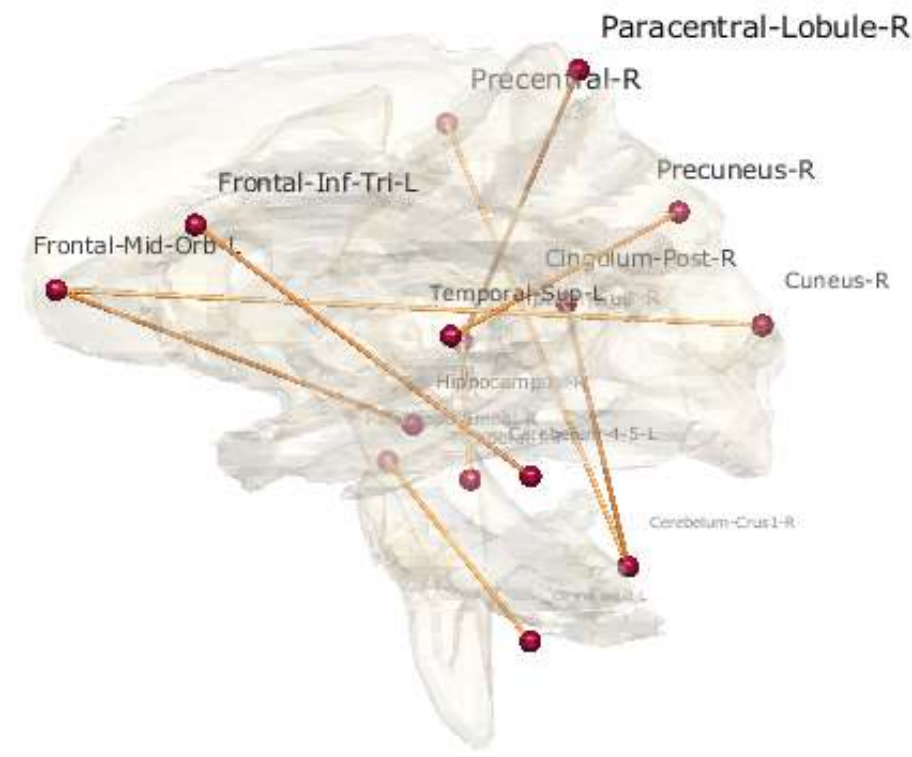
$$\bar{\mathcal{L}}_B \rightarrow \bar{\mathcal{L}}_B + \Delta(\text{transposition})$$

Average p -value in 50 independent simulations

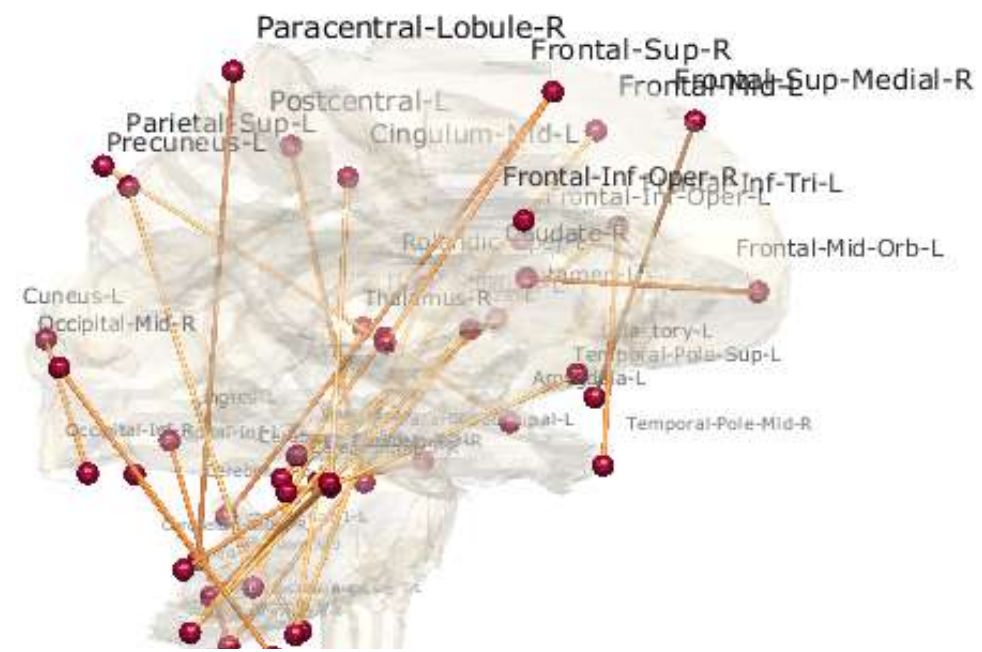
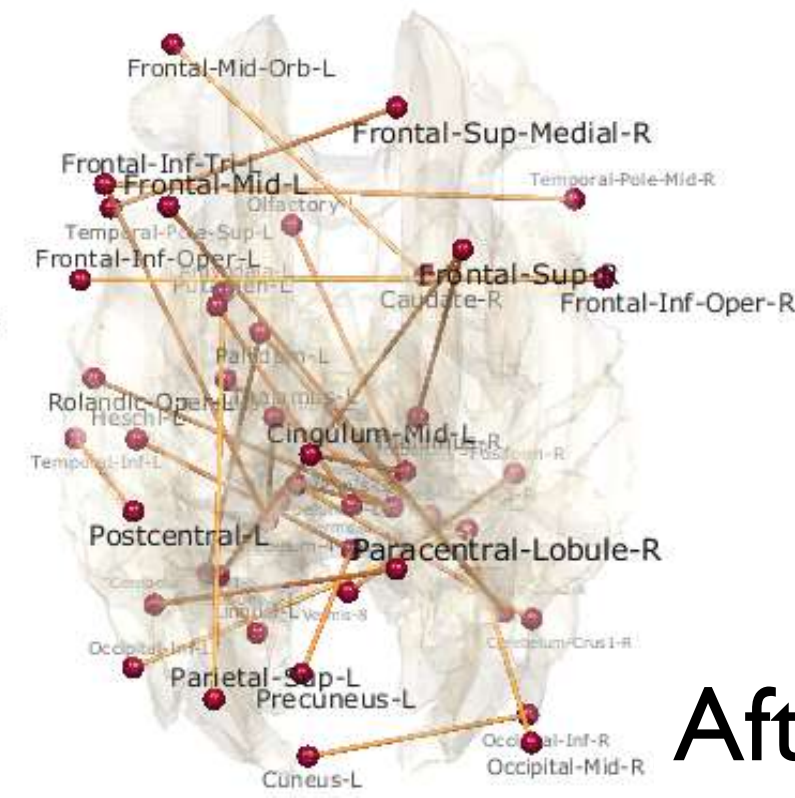
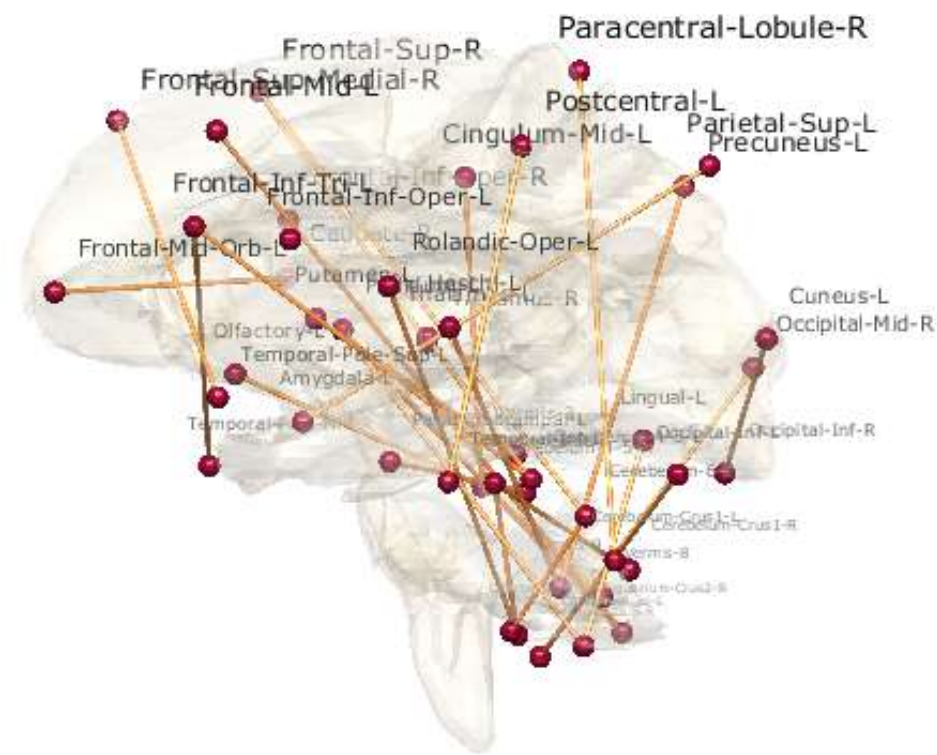
| nodes | modules | p | Graduated assignment | Spectral matching | Reweighted random walk matching | Integer projected fixed point | \mathcal{L}_{top} |
|-----------|---------|-----|----------------------|-------------------|---------------------------------|-------------------------------|---------------------|
| | | | GA | SM | RRWM | IPFP | |
| 12 vs. 12 | 2 vs. 3 | 0.6 | 0.45 ± 0.27 | 0.48 ± 0.30 | 0.28 ± 0.31 | 0.34 ± 0.28 | 0.08 ± 0.16 |
| | | 0.8 | 0.26 ± 0.24 | 0.30 ± 0.28 | 0.06 ± 0.12 | 0.28 ± 0.28 | 0.01 ± 0.03 |
| | 2 vs. 6 | 0.6 | 0.06 ± 0.10 | 0.17 ± 0.20 | 0.04 ± 0.13 | 0.23 ± 0.28 | 0.00 ± 0.00 |
| | | 0.8 | 0.00 ± 0.01 | 0.01 ± 0.03 | 0.00 ± 0.00 | 0.02 ± 0.04 | 0.00 ± 0.00 |
| | 3 vs. 6 | 0.6 | 0.40 ± 0.29 | 0.35 ± 0.28 | 0.24 ± 0.26 | 0.35 ± 0.28 | 0.06 ± 0.13 |
| | | 0.8 | 0.21 ± 0.23 | 0.28 ± 0.27 | 0.08 ± 0.14 | 0.26 ± 0.25 | 0.00 ± 0.01 |
| 18 vs. 18 | 2 vs. 3 | 0.6 | 0.25 ± 0.23 | 0.41 ± 0.26 | 0.26 ± 0.24 | 0.42 ± 0.28 | 0.01 ± 0.02 |
| | | 0.8 | 0.12 ± 0.17 | 0.19 ± 0.22 | 0.00 ± 0.00 | 0.04 ± 0.05 | 0.00 ± 0.00 |
| | 2 vs. 6 | 0.6 | 0.02 ± 0.05 | 0.07 ± 0.17 | 0.00 ± 0.00 | 0.14 ± 0.20 | 0.00 ± 0.00 |
| | | 0.8 | 0.00 ± 0.00 | 0.00 ± 0.00 | 0.00 ± 0.00 | 0.00 ± 0.00 | 0.00 ± 0.00 |
| | 3 vs. 6 | 0.6 | 0.28 ± 0.24 | 0.37 ± 0.31 | 0.21 ± 0.24 | 0.37 ± 0.30 | 0.01 ± 0.01 |
| | | 0.8 | 0.15 ± 0.22 | 0.13 ± 0.14 | 0.00 ± 0.01 | 0.16 ± 0.18 | 0.00 ± 0.00 |
| 24 vs. 24 | 2 vs. 3 | 0.6 | 0.23 ± 0.25 | 0.30 ± 0.26 | 0.14 ± 0.20 | 0.31 ± 0.28 | 0.00 ± 0.01 |
| | | 0.8 | 0.06 ± 0.11 | 0.12 ± 0.19 | 0.00 ± 0.00 | 0.01 ± 0.05 | 0.00 ± 0.00 |
| | 2 vs. 6 | 0.6 | 0.00 ± 0.01 | 0.03 ± 0.06 | 0.00 ± 0.00 | 0.09 ± 0.13 | 0.00 ± 0.00 |
| | | 0.8 | 0.00 ± 0.00 | 0.00 ± 0.00 | 0.00 ± 0.00 | 0.00 ± 0.00 | 0.00 ± 0.00 |
| | 3 vs. 6 | 0.6 | 0.24 ± 0.26 | 0.29 ± 0.28 | 0.10 ± 0.13 | 0.37 ± 0.26 | 0.00 ± 0.00 |
| | | 0.8 | 0.07 ± 0.12 | 0.13 ± 0.19 | 0.00 ± 0.01 | 0.12 ± 0.19 | 0.00 ± 0.00 |

Heritability index = 2 (corr(MZ) – corr (DZ))

HI above 1.00

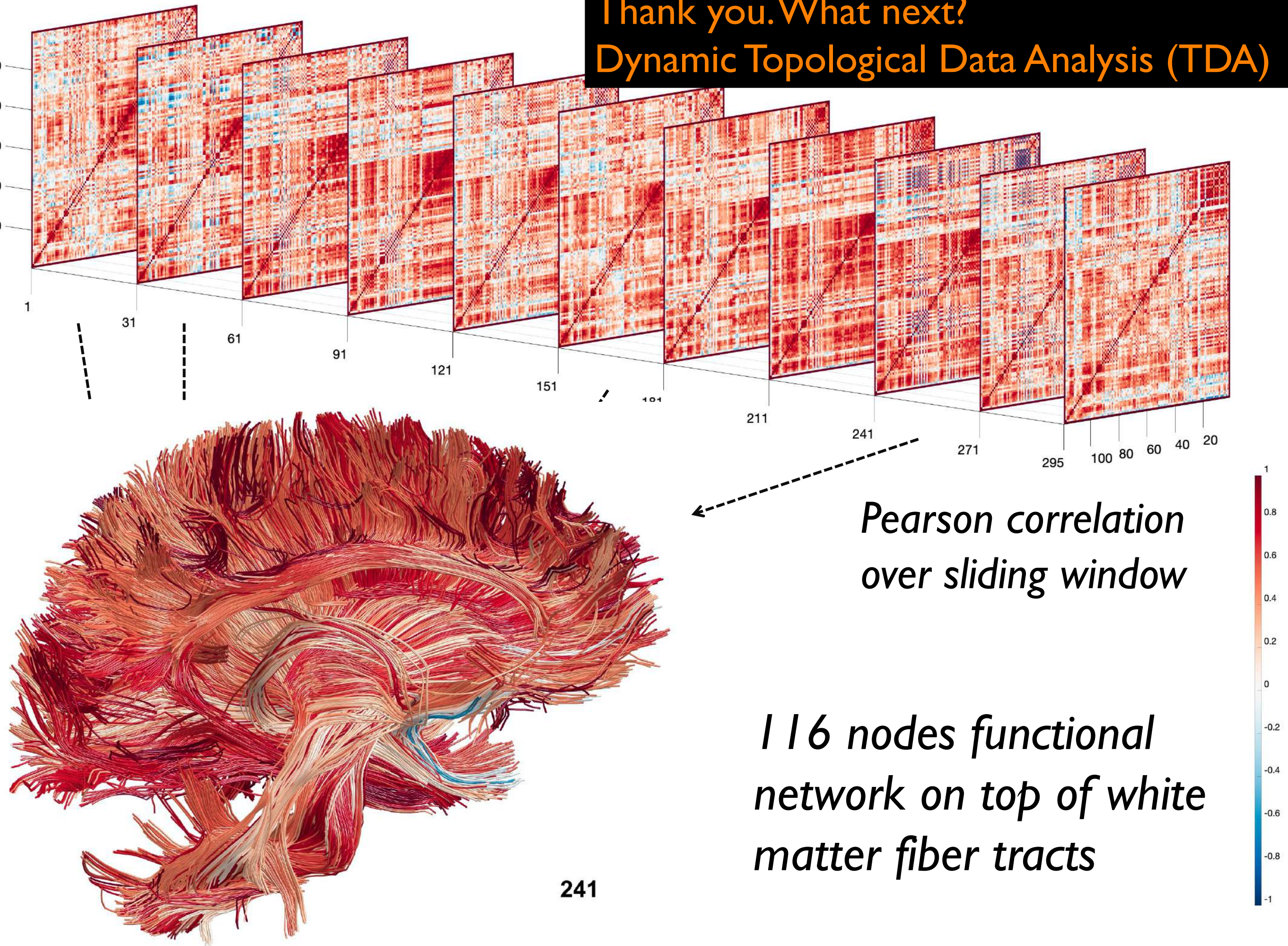


Original Pearson correlation



After topological learning

Thank you. What next? Dynamic Topological Data Analysis (TDA)



*Pearson correlation
over sliding window*

*116 nodes functional
network on top of white
matter fiber tracts*

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