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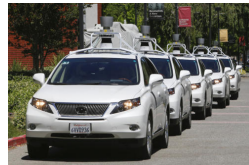
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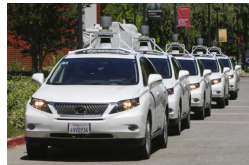
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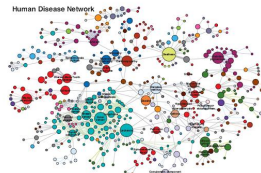
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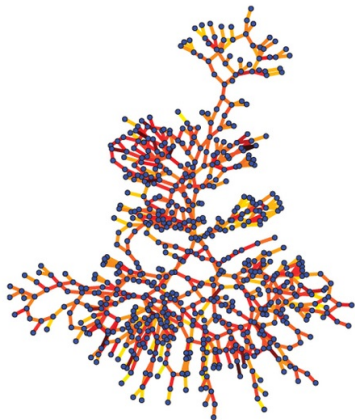


Disease network (from CCSEB)



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Power grid of Northern Italy ¹



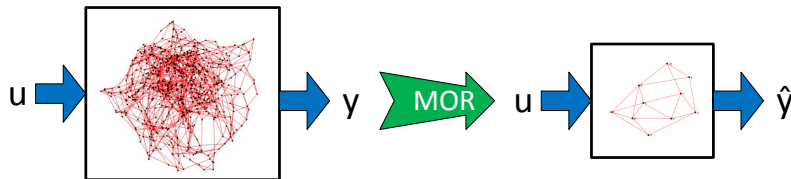
Representation of the physical network of transmission lines, which has **678** nodes and **822** edges.

Such large-scale network complicates analysis and synthesis.

Apart from the network structure, the physical structure is important, i.e., 2nd order structure.

¹Motter, Adilson E., et al. "Spontaneous synchrony in power-grid networks." *Nature Physics* 9.3 (2013): 191-197.

Problem setting



Model reduction with preservation of network structure

Systems with network structure have useful properties.

- Consensus and synchronization.
- Spatial structure is crucial for distributed controller design, sensor allocation, etc..
- Specific physical structure, such as second order structure, is useful.
- Reduced-order models ease analysis, controller design, etc.

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Just applying these methods to networks does not preserve the network structure.

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Various issues to deal with, topic of this lecture!



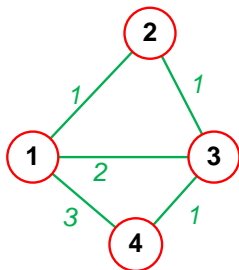
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Graph theory

- An undirected graph $\mathcal{G} = (\mathcal{V}, \mathcal{E}, \mathcal{W})$, where $|\mathcal{V}| = n$, $|\mathcal{E}| = m$.
 \mathcal{V} : a set of nodes, $\mathcal{E} \subseteq \mathcal{V} \times \mathcal{V}$: a set of edges, \mathcal{W} : the weights of edges
- The Laplacian matrix of the undirected graph \mathcal{G} is L , defined by

$$L_{ij} = \begin{cases} \text{degree of node } i, & i = j \\ -w_{ij}, & i \neq j \text{ and node } i \text{ is adjacent to } j \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$



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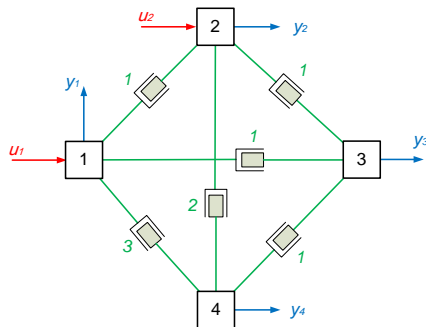
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- L is a Laplacian matrix of \mathcal{G} .

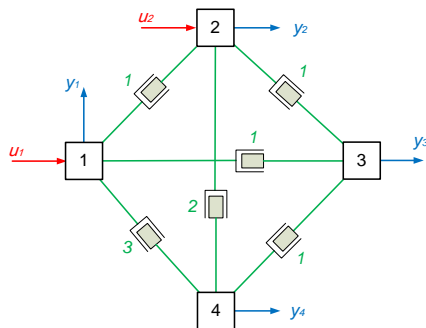
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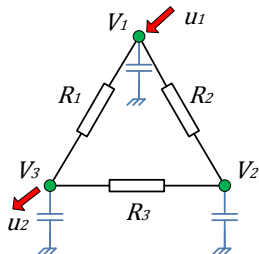
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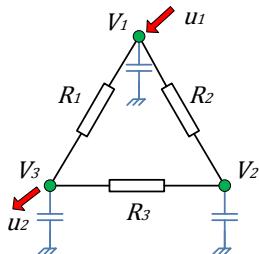
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Notice that Laplacian matrix L represents an undirected network, which satisfies $L \geq 0$, $L\mathbf{1} = 0$.



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where the Laplacian L includes the w_{ij} , and $M = \text{diag}(m_1, \dots, m_n) > 0$.
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Apply Petro-Galerkin projection with $\textcolor{blue}{W}, \textcolor{blue}{V} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times r}$ ($r \ll n$) full column rank, such that:

- $\hat{M} := \textcolor{blue}{W}^T \textcolor{red}{M} \textcolor{blue}{V}$ and $\hat{L} := \textcolor{blue}{W}^T \textcolor{red}{L} \textcolor{blue}{V}$ are again an inertia and Laplacian matrix, resp. Van der Schaft'14, Monshizadeh/Van der Schaft'14
- The reduced-order model $\hat{\Sigma}$ has the same structure as above and $\|\Sigma - \hat{\Sigma}\|$ is small enough in terms of \mathcal{H}_2 - or \mathcal{H}_∞ -norms.



- Monshizadeh et al. ¹
Restrict to special clustering: Almost equitable partition
- Besselink et al. ²
Restrict to special topology: Tree graph
- Ishizaki et al. ³
Loss of the structure of Laplacian matrix

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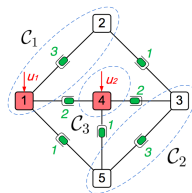
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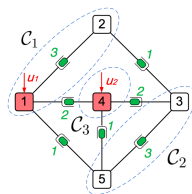
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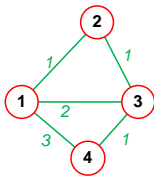


Take the cluster matrix for projection, i.e., $W = V = P$, then

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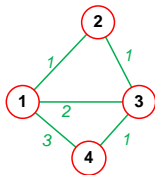
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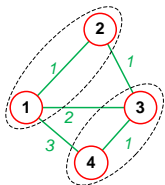
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- input to state transfer functions of the nodes.
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- **Step 1:** Compute \mathcal{D} matrix
- **Step 2:** Find the minimal off-diagonal entry $\mathcal{D}_{\mu\nu}$.
- **Step 3:** Cluster nodes μ and ν
- **Step 4:** Generate $\hat{\Sigma}$ by P resulting from the clustering in Step 3.
- **Step 5:** Repeat Step 1 to Step 4 until obtaining r -th order model.

Other clusterings (e.g., hierarchical) possible.

Illustrative example

mass-damper network system:

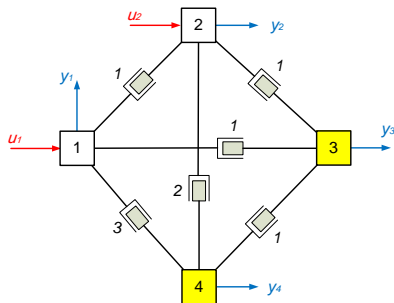


Figure: Topology of the original network

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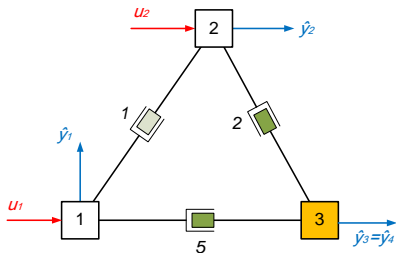


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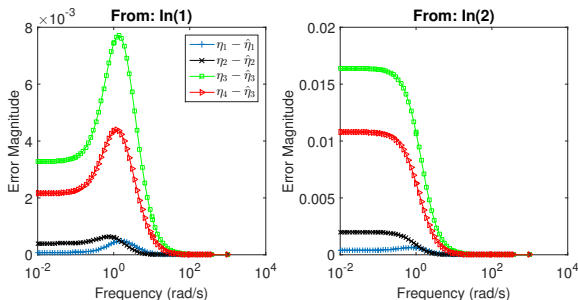


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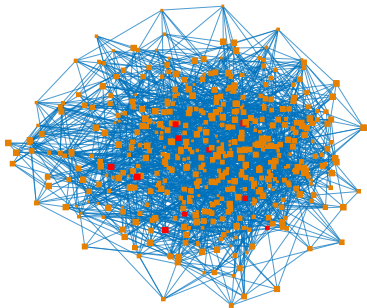
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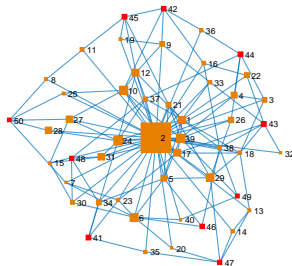
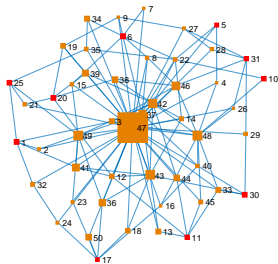
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Small world network example



Left: Watts-Strogatz network with 500 nodes, 2000 edges, and 10 inputs.

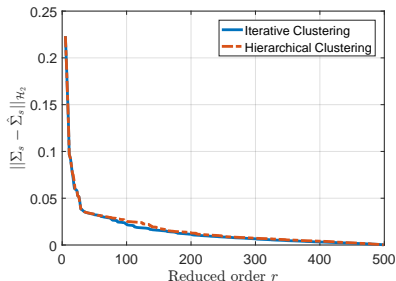
Bottom: Approximated by iterative clustering (left) and hierarchical clustering (right) with 50 clusters.



Small world network example continued

Table: Comparison of two algorithms for a reduced order of 50

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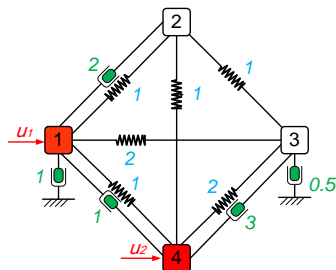
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- M : diagonal positive definite;
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A second-order network example



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\mathcal{P}_r is of the reduced order network

\mathcal{P}_x is a coupling term that is a solution to a Sylvester like equation.

C_e is the output matrix of the error system.



Illustrative example

Mass-damper-spring system:

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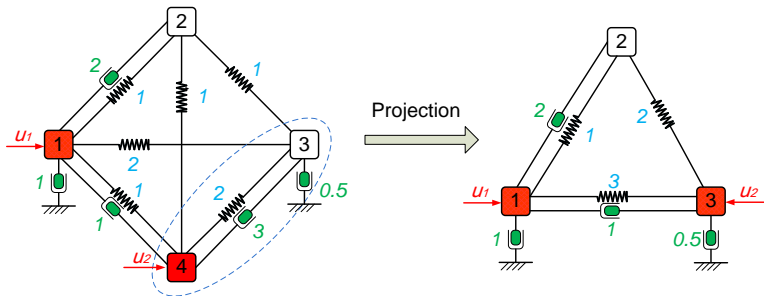


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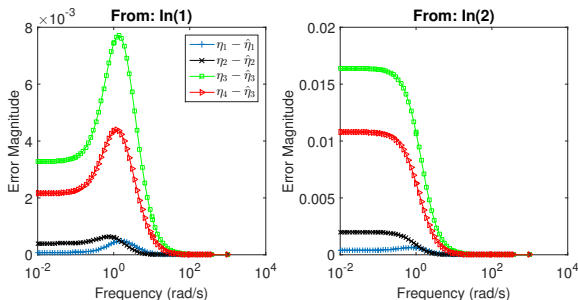


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Illustrative Example

For comparison, we consider an network example in Monshizadeh et al. '14 and Mlinarić et al.'15:

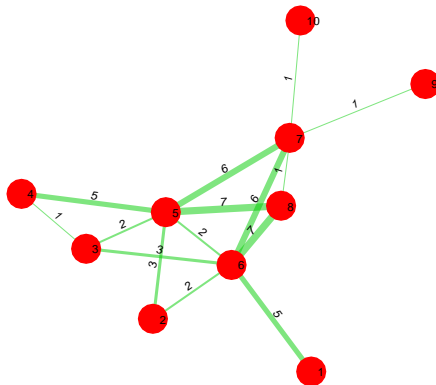


Figure: A network example with 10 vertices where the edge weights are shown by the thickness of the connection lines

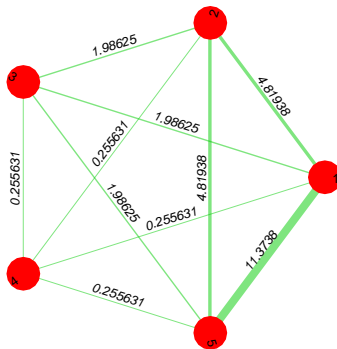


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Approaches	Proposed Method	Monshizadeh	Mlinarić
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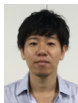
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- Time scale separation in networks, very relevant for e.g., power networks. Slow coherency and singular perturbation methods should be incorporated.
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