

## Bioinformatics 3

# V6 – Biological PPI Networks

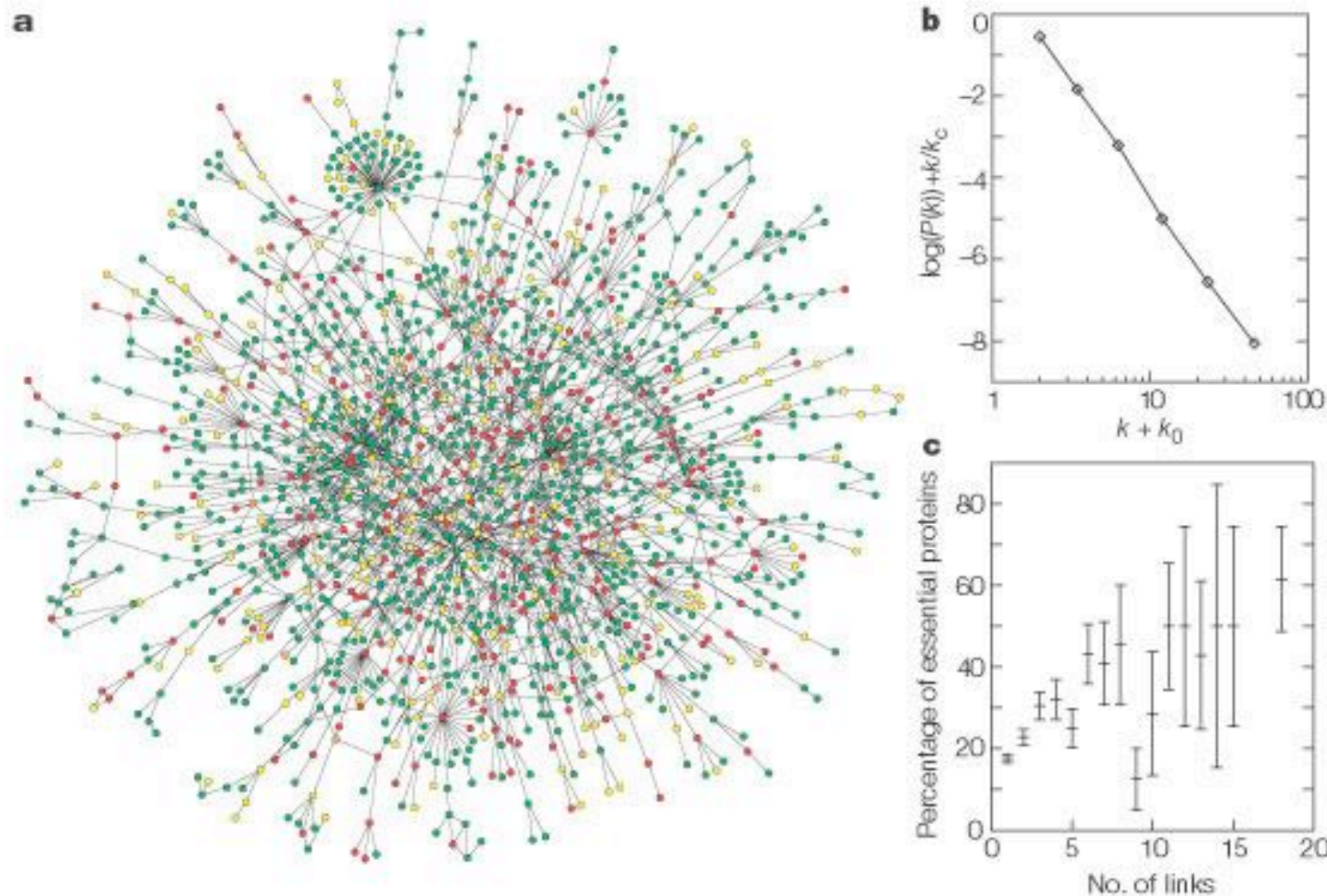
- are they really scale-free?
- network growth
- functional annotation in the network

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# Lethality and centrality in protein networks

The most highly connected proteins in the cell are the most important for its survival.

Jeong, Mason, Barabási, Oltvai, *Nature* **411** (2001) 41



largest cluster of the yeast proteome (at 2001)

→ "PPI networks apparently are scale-free..."

"Are" they scale-free  
or  
"Do they look like"  
scale-free???

# Partial Sampling

**Estimated** for yeast: 6000 proteins, 30000 interactions

**Table 1** Topological properties of interactome maps

Data set	Ito <i>et al.</i> (yeast)	Uetz <i>et al.</i> (yeast)	Ito-Uetz combined	Li <i>et al.</i> (worm)	Giot <i>et al.</i> (fly)	Minimum value	Maximum value
Total number of nodes	797	1,005	1,417	1,415	4,651	797	4,651
Nodes in main component	417 (52%)	473 (47%)	970 (68%)	1,260 (89%)	3,039 (65%)	47%	89%
Total number of interactions	806	948	1,520	2,135	4,787	806	4,787
Interactions in main component	544	558	1,229	2,038	3,715	544	3,715
R-square	0.843	0.954	0.899	0.885	0.91	0.843	0.954
$\gamma$	-1.82	-2.42	-1.91	-1.59	-2.75	-2.75	-1.59
$\langle k \rangle$	1.96	1.84	2.15	2.98	2.04	1.84	2.98
Average clustering coefficient	0.2	0.11	0.09	0.09	0.06	0.06	0.2
Number of network components	143	177	160	70	591	70	591
Average component size	5.6	5.7	8.9	20.2	7.9	5.6	20.2
Characteristic path length	6.14	7.48	6.55	4.91	9.43	4.91	9.43
Number of baits	455	512	827	502	2,820	455	2,820

The linear regression R-square measures the linearity between  $\log(n(k))$  and  $\log(k)$  i.e. the fit to a power-law distribution.  $\gamma$  is the exponent of the power law distribution formula that best fits the observed distribution.  $\langle k \rangle$  is the average number of interactions per protein observed in the network. For the Ito, Li and Giot data sets only the high confidence interactions were considered (core).

**Y2H covers only 3...9% of the complete interactome!**

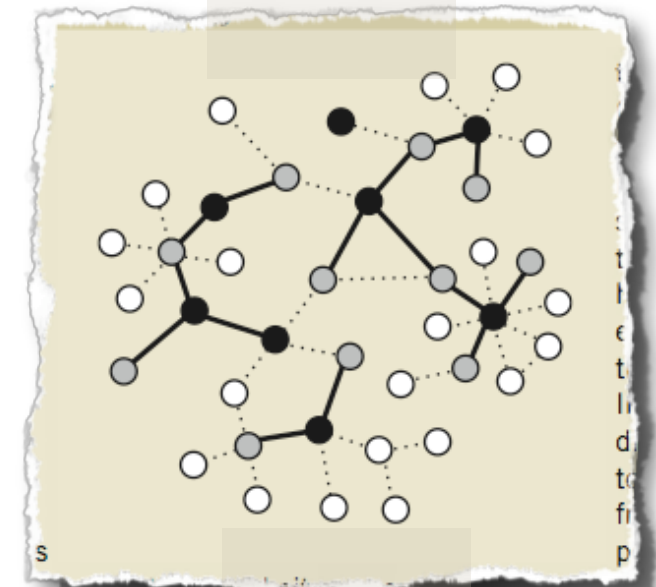
# Effect of sampling on topology predictions of protein-protein interaction networks

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*Nature Biotech* **23** (2005) 839

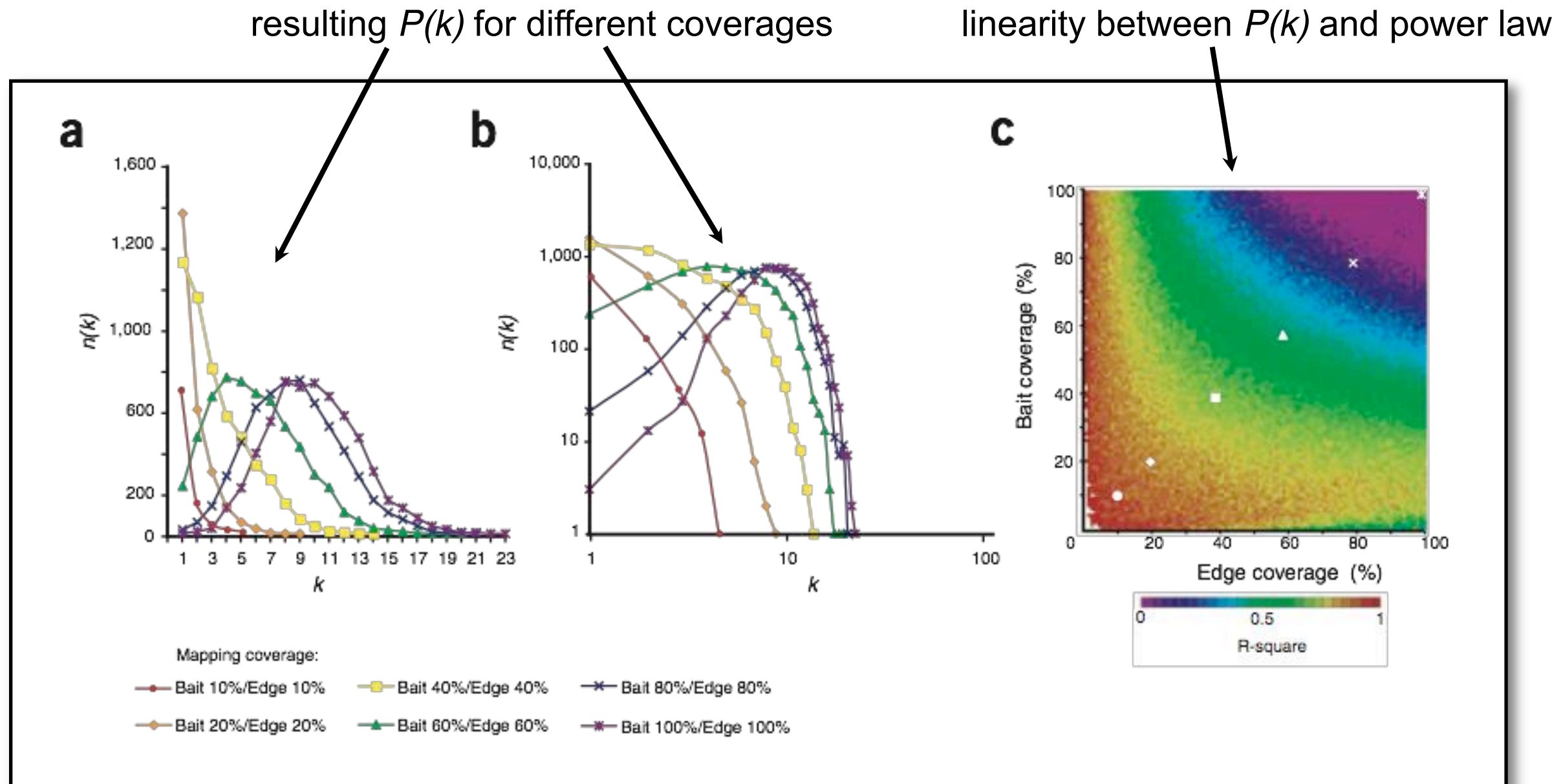
Generate networks of various types,  
sample sparsely from them  
→ degree distribution?

- Random (ER / Erdős-Renyi) →  $P(k) = \text{Poisson}$
- Exponential (EX) →  $P(k) \sim \exp[-k]$
- scale-free / power-law (PL) →  $P(k) \sim k^{-\gamma}$
- $P(k) = \text{truncated normal distribution (TN)}$



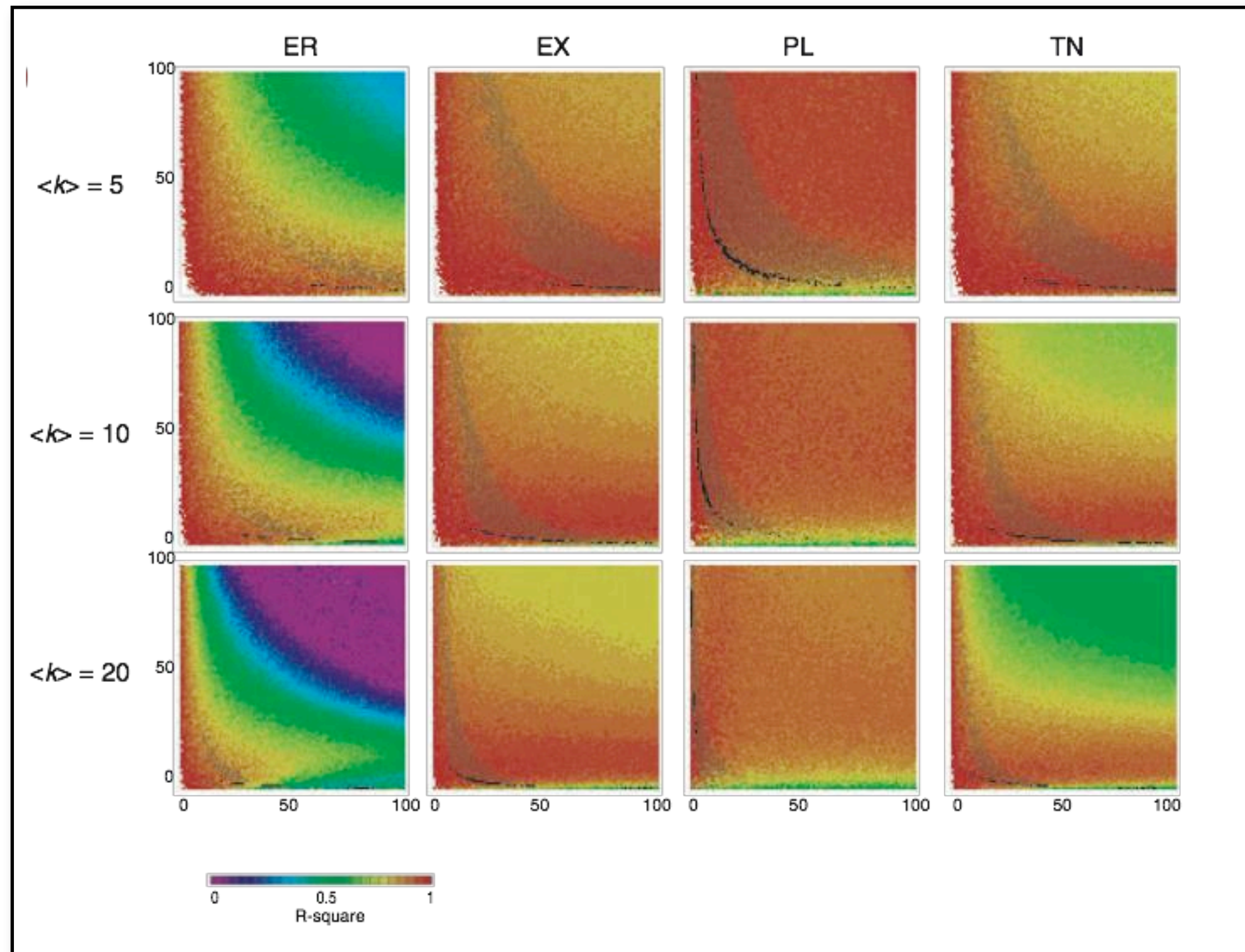


# Sparsely Sampled random (ER) Network

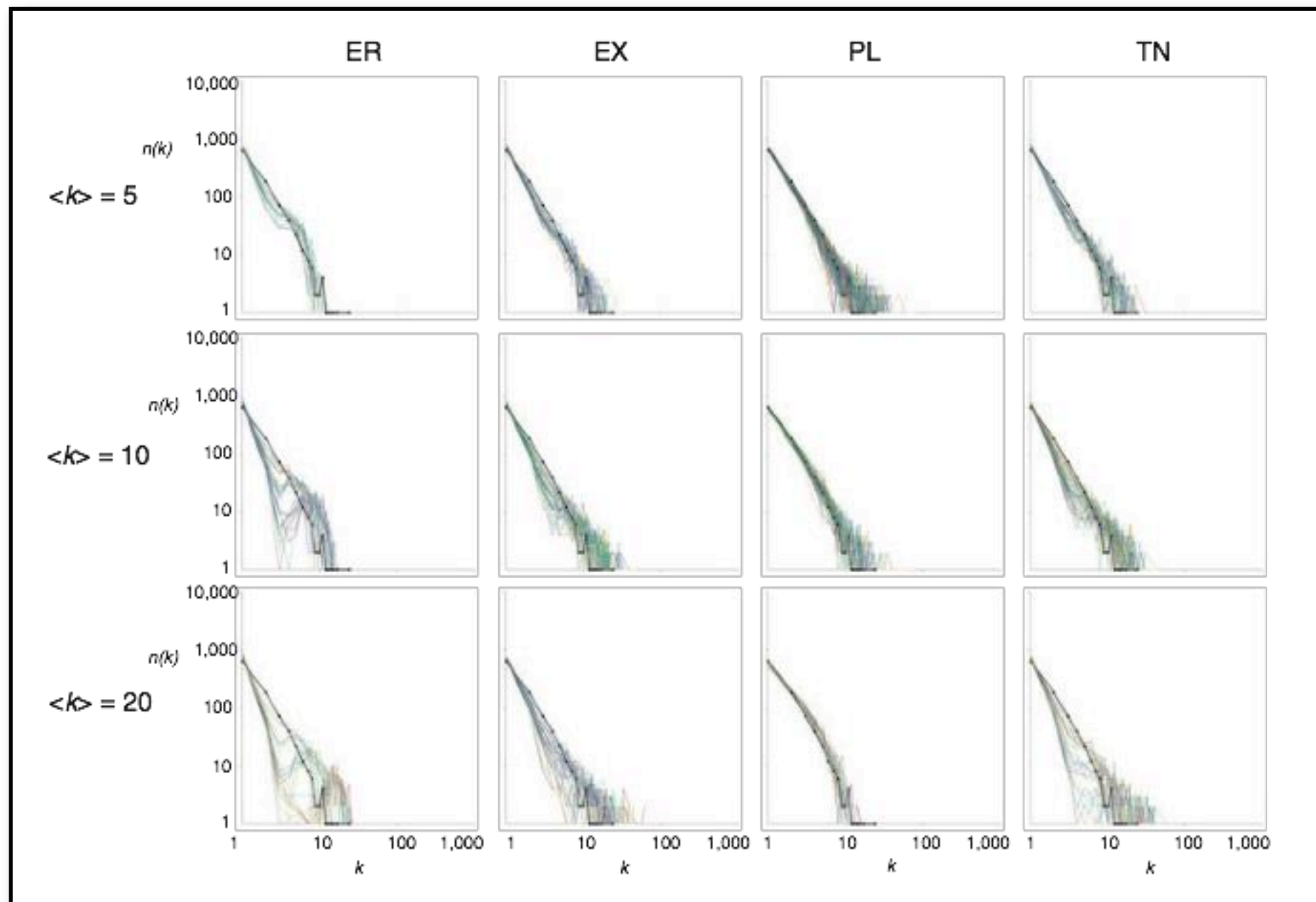


→ for **sparse** sampling, even an ER networks "**looks**" **scale-free** (when only  $P(k)$  is considered)

# Anything Goes



# Compare to Uetz et al. Data



Sampling density affects observed degree distribution  
→ true underlying network cannot be identified from available data

# Network Growth Mechanisms

Given: an observed PPI network → how did it grow (evolve)?

## Inferring network mechanisms: The *Drosophila melanogaster* protein interaction network

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*PNAS* **102** (2005) 3192

Look at **network motifs** (local connectivity):  
compare motif distributions from various network prototypes to fly network

**Idea:** each growth **mechanism** leads to a typical motif **distribution**,  
even if global measures are comparable



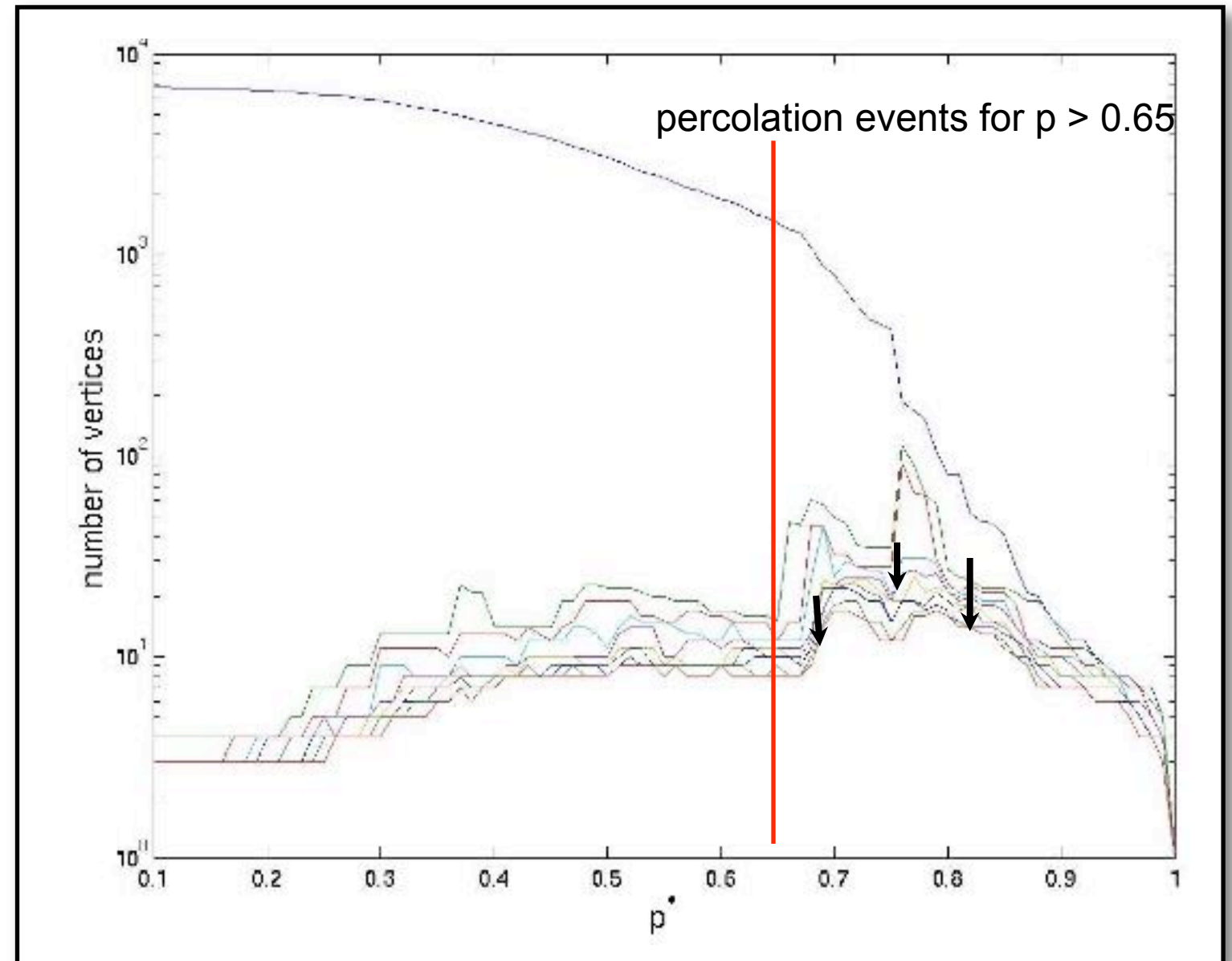
# The Fly Network

Y2H PPI network for *D. melanogaster* from Giot et al. [*Science* **302** (2003) 1727]

Confidence score  $[0, 1]$  for every observed interaction  
→ use only data with  $p > 0.65$  (0.5)  
→ remove self-interactions and isolated nodes

High confidence network with 3359 (4625) nodes and 2795 (4683) edges

Use prototype networks of same size for training



Size of largest components. At  $p = 0.65$ , there is one large component with 1433 and the other 703 components contain at most 15 nodes.

# Network Motives

All non-isomorphic subgraphs that can be generated with a walk of length 8



# Growth Mechanisms

Generate 1000 networks, each, of the following 7 types  
(Same size as fly network, undefined parameters were scanned)

DMC Duplication-mutation, preserving complementarity

DMR Duplication with random mutations

RDS Random static networks

RDG Random growing network

LPA Linear preferential attachment network

AGV Aging vertices network

SMW Small world network

# Growth Type 1: DMC

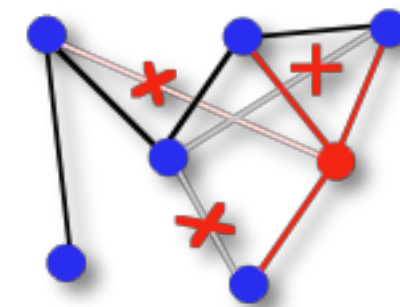
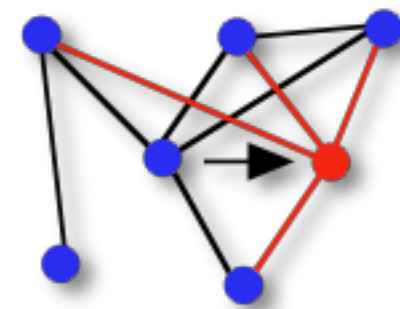
"Duplication – mutation with preserved complementarity"

**Evolutionary idea:** gene **duplication**, followed by a partial **loss** of function of one of the copies, making the other copy essential

## Algorithm:

Start from two connected nodes,  
repeat  $N - 2$  times:

- duplicate existing node with all interactions
- for all neighbors: delete with probability  $q_{del}$  either link from original node **or** from copy





# Growth Type 2: DMR

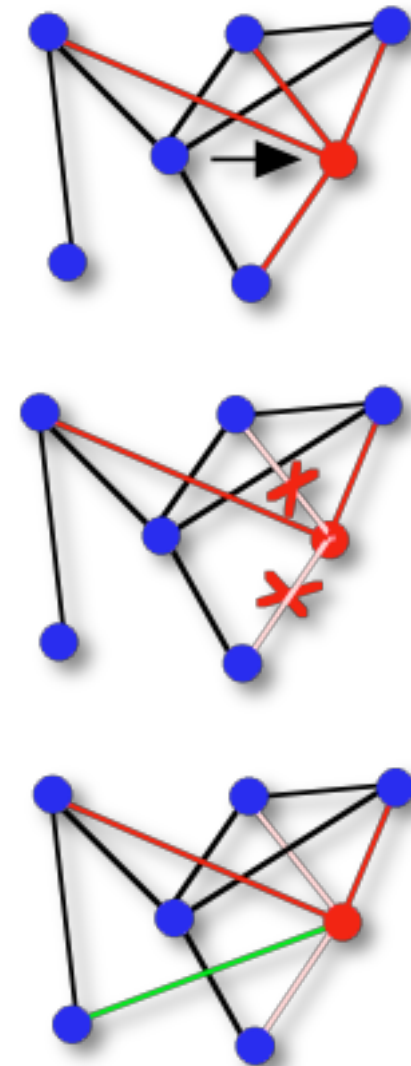
"Duplication with random mutations"

Gene duplication, but no correlation between original and copy  
(original unaffected by copy)

## Algorithm:

Start from five-vertex cycle,  
repeat  $N - 5$  times:

- duplicate existing node with all interactions
- for all neighbors: delete with probability  $q_{\text{del}}$  link from copy
- add new links to non-neighbors with probability  $q_{\text{new}}/n$



# Growth Types 3–5: RDS, RDG, and LPA

**RDS** = static random network

Start from  $N$  nodes, add  $L$  links randomly

**RDG** = growing random network

Start from small random network, add nodes,  
then edges between all existing nodes

**LPA** = linear preferential attachment

Add new nodes similar to Barabási-Albert algorithm,  
but with preference according to  $(k_i + \alpha)$ ,  $\alpha = 0 \dots 5$   
(BA for  $\alpha = 0$ )

# Growth Types 6-7: AGV and SMW

**AGV** = aging vertices network

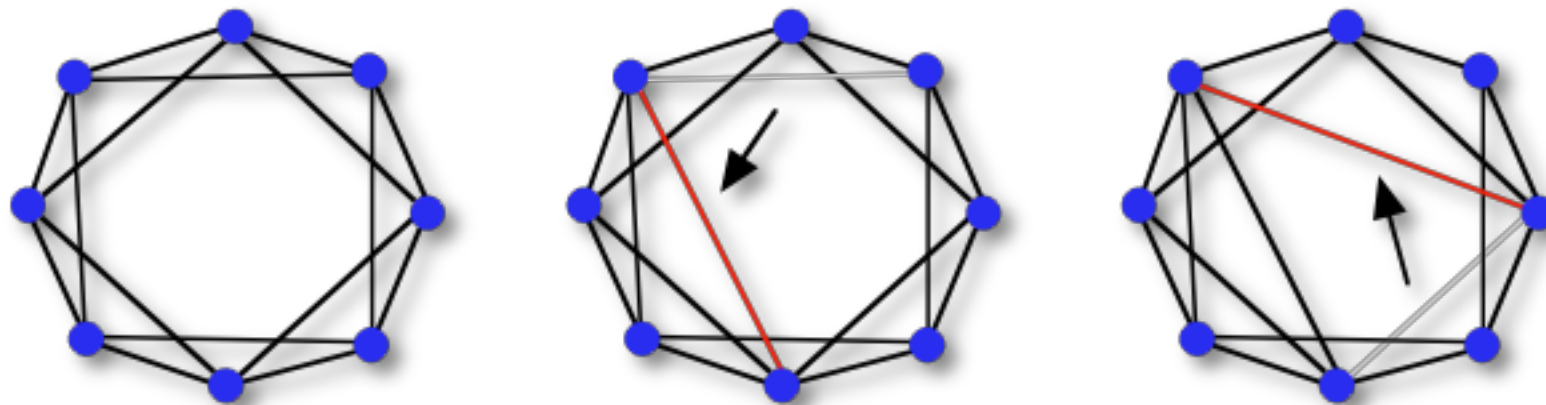
Like growing random network,

but preference decreases with age of the node

→ citation network: more recent publications are cited more likely

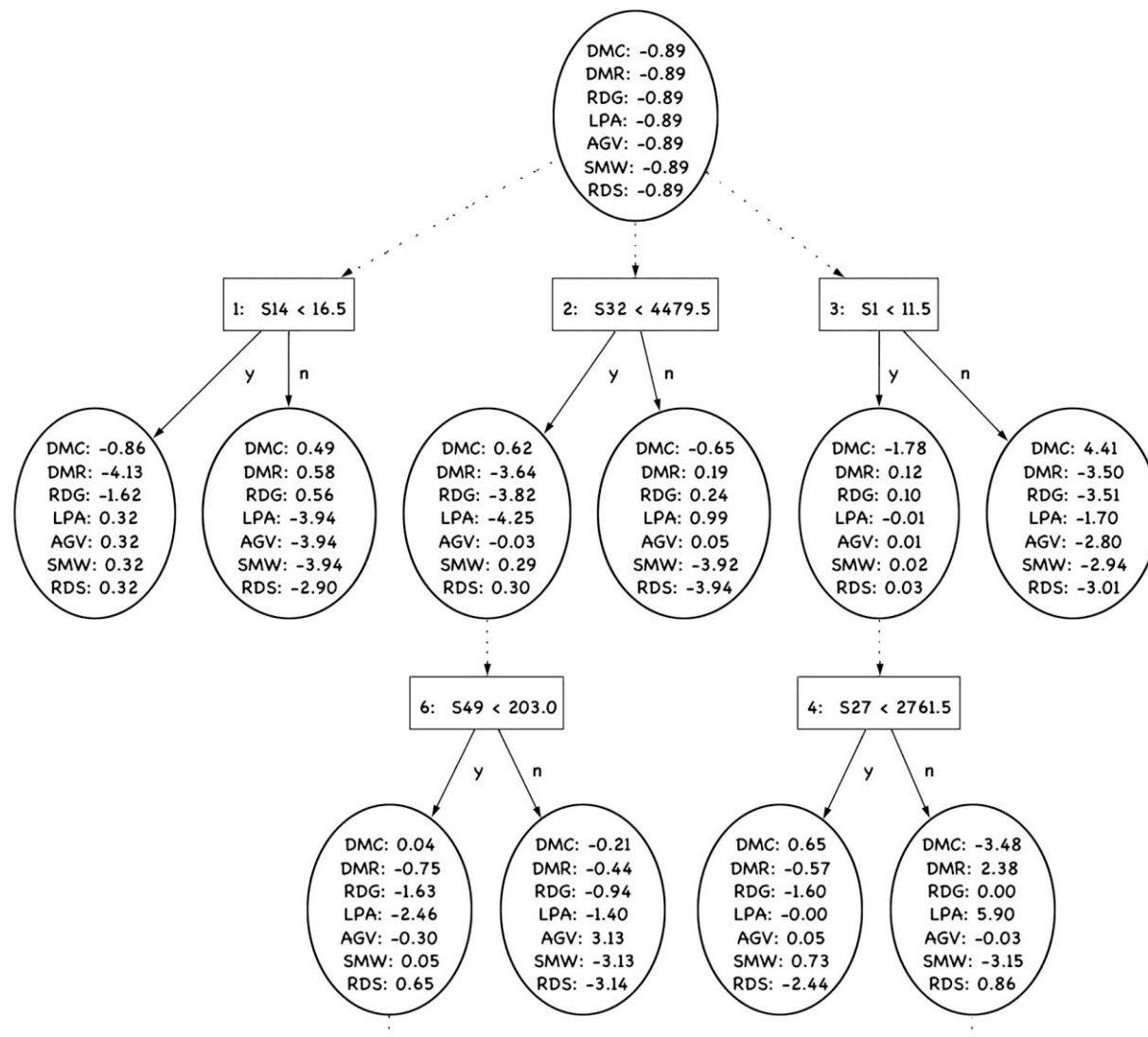
**SMW** = small world networks (Watts, Strogatz, *Nature* **363** (1998) 202)

Randomly rewire regular ring lattice



# Alternating Decision Tree Classifier

Trained with the motif counts from 1000 networks of each of the 7 types  
→ prototypes are well separated and reliably classified



Part of a trained ADT

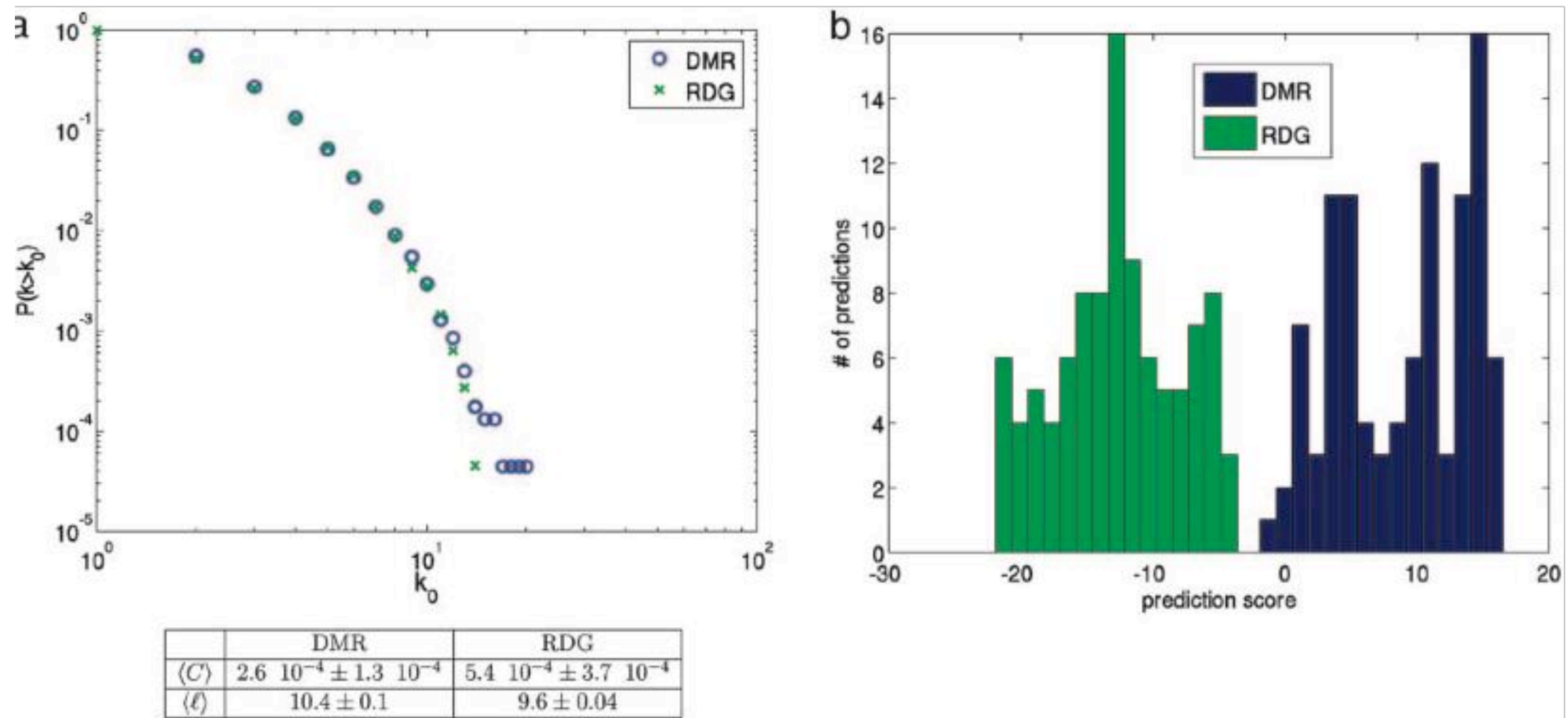
Decision nodes count  
occurrence of motifs

Prediction accuracy for networks  
similar to fly network with  $p = 0.5$ :

Truth	Prediction						
	DMR	DMC	AGV	LPA	SMW	RDS	RDG
DMR	99.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.6
DMC	0.0	99.7	0.0	0.0	0.3	0.0	0.0
AGV	0.0	0.1	84.7	13.5	1.2	0.5	0.0
LPA	0.0	0.0	10.3	89.6	0.0	0.0	0.1
SMW	0.0	0.0	0.6	0.0	99.0	0.4	0.0
RDS	0.0	0.0	0.2	0.0	0.8	99.0	0.0
RDG	0.9	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	99.0



# Are They Different?



Example DMR vs. RDG: Similar global parameters,  
but different counts of the network motifs

-> networks can be perfectly separated by motif-based classifier

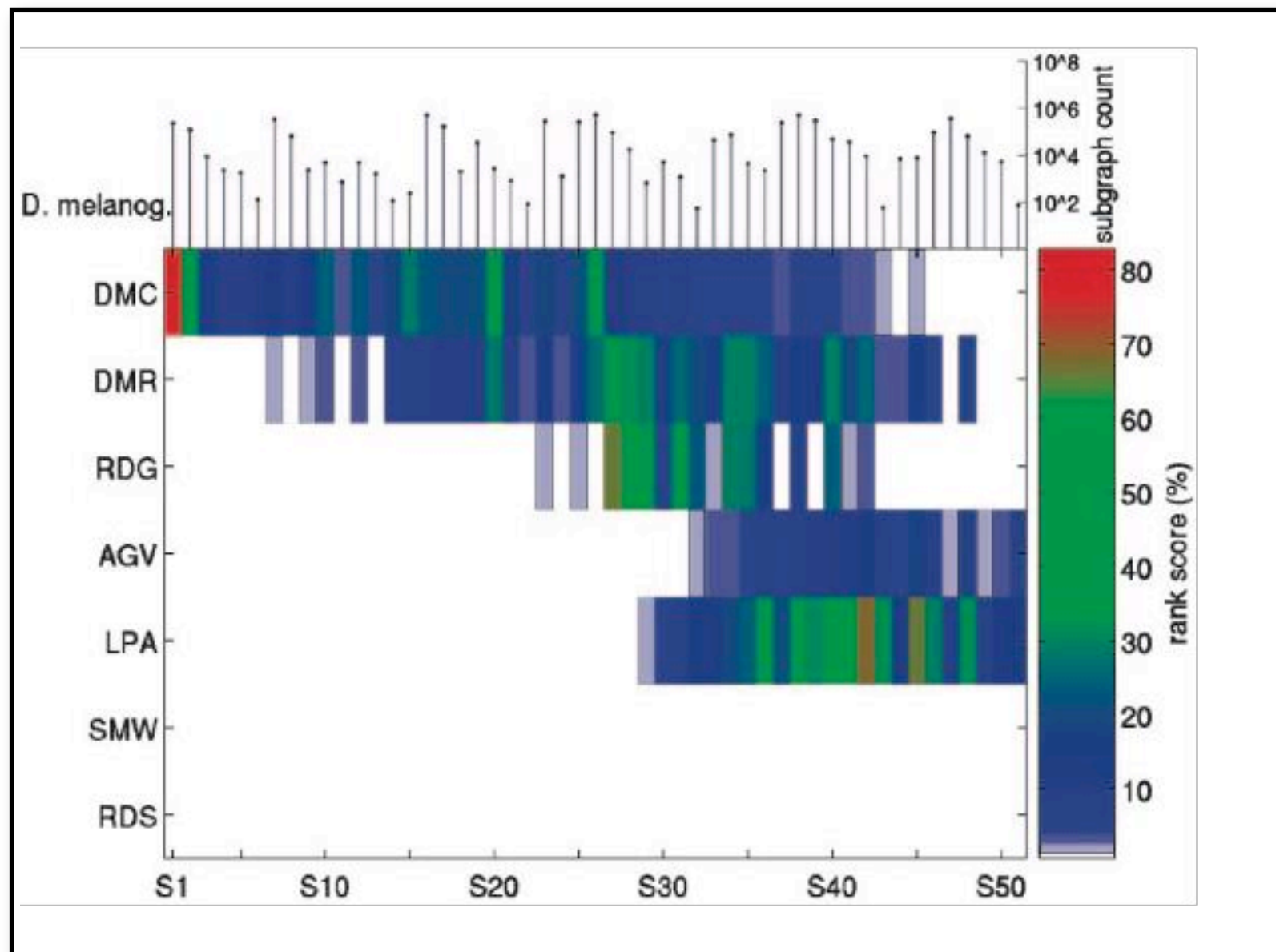
# How Did the Fly Evolve?

Rank	Eight-step subgraphs ( $p^* = 0.65$ )		Subgraphs with up to seven edges ( $p^* = 0.65$ )		Eight-step subgraphs ( $p^* = 0.5$ )	
	Class	Score	Class	Score	Class	Score
1	DMC	$8.2 \pm 1.0$	DMC	$8.6 \pm 1.1$	DMC	$0.8 \pm 2.9$
2	DMR	$-6.8 \pm 0.9$	DMR	$-6.1 \pm 1.7$	DMR	$-2.1 \pm 2.0$
3	RDG	$-9.5 \pm 2.3$	RDG	$-9.3 \pm 1.6$	AGV	$-3.1 \pm 2.2$
4	AGV	$-10.6 \pm 4.2$	AGV	$-11.5 \pm 4.1$	LPA	$-10.1 \pm 3.1$
5	LPA	$-16.5 \pm 3.4$	LPA	$-14.3 \pm 3.2$	SMW	$-20.6 \pm 1.9$
6	SMW	$-18.9 \pm 0.7$	SMW	$-18.3 \pm 1.9$	RDS	$-22.3 \pm 1.7$
7	RDS	$-19.1 \pm 2.3$	RDS	$-19.9 \pm 1.5$	RDG	$-22.5 \pm 4.7$

*Drosophila* is consistently (independently of the cut-off in subgraph size) classified as a DMC network, with an especially strong prediction for a confidence threshold of  $p^* = 0.65$ .

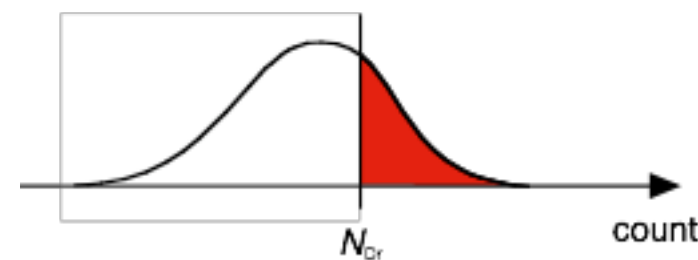
- Best overlap with DMC (Duplication-mutation, preserved complementarity)
- Scale-free or random networks are very unlikely
- what about protein-domain-interaction network of Thomas et al?

# Motif Count Frequencies



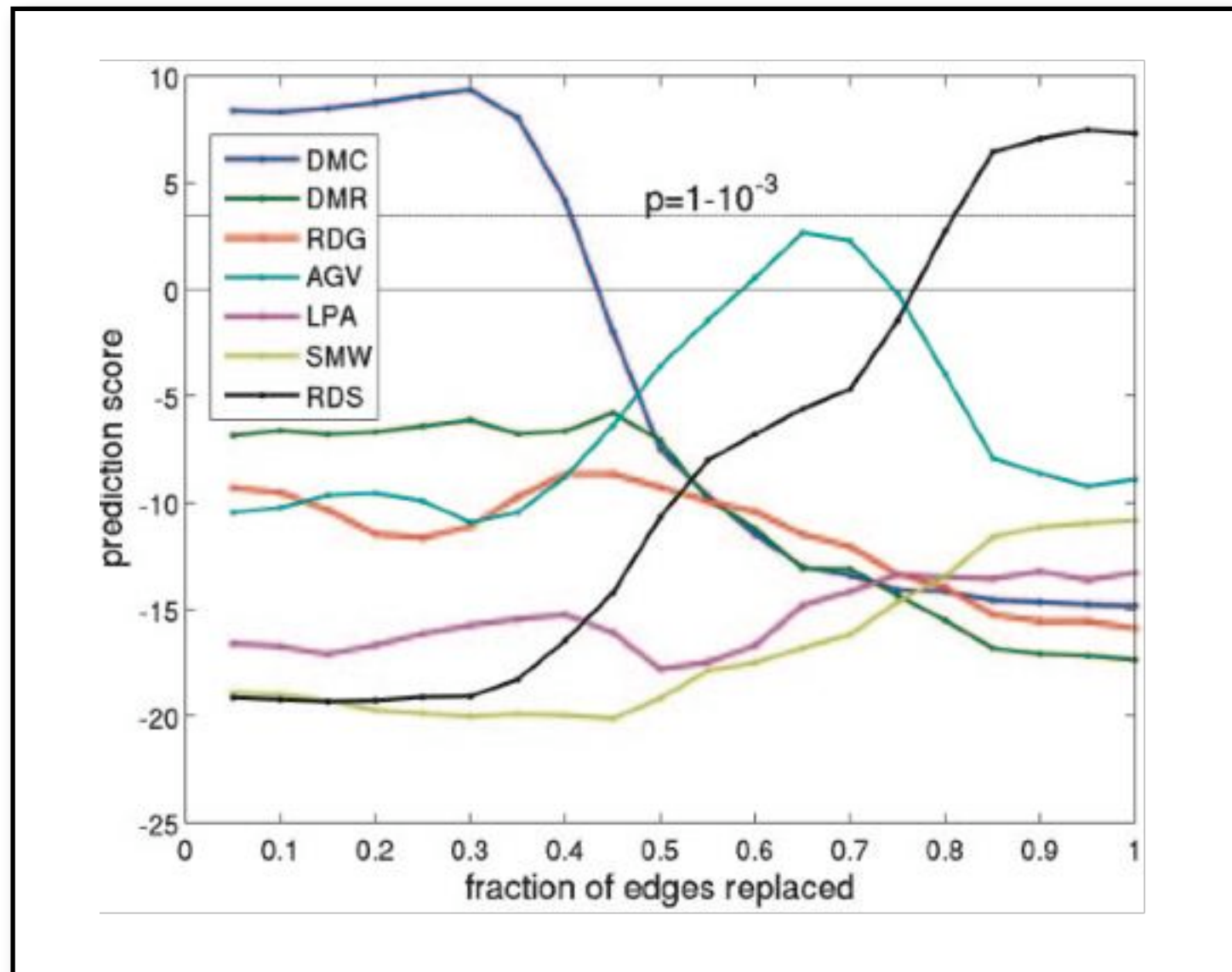
-> DMC and DMR networks contain most subgraphs in similar amount as fly network.

rank score: fraction of test networks with a higher count than *Drosophila* (50% = same count as fly on avg.)



# Experimental Errors?

**Randomly** replace edges in **fly** network and **classify** again:



→ Classification **unchanged** for  $\leq 30\%$  incorrect edges



# Summary (I)

## Sampling matters!

→ "Scale-free"  $P(k)$  obtained by sparse sampling from many network types

Test different **hypotheses** for



- **global** features

- depends on unknown parameters and sampling
  - no clear statement possible

- **local** features (motifs)

- are better preserved
  - DMC best among tested prototypes





























































# What Does a Protein Do?



The Comprehensive Enzyme Information System

TU Braunschweig  
Dept. of Bioinformatics

**EC Explorer** [SEARCH] [BROWSE]

- 1 Oxidoreductases** (4042 organisms)   
- 2 Transferases** (3198 organisms)   
  - 2.1 Transferring one-carbon groups** (615 organisms)   
    - 2.1.1 Methyltransferases** (514 organisms)   
    - 2.1.2 Hydroxymethyl-, formyl- and related transferases** (82 organisms)   
    - 2.1.3 Carboxy- and carbamoyltransferases** (105 organisms)   
    - 2.1.4 Amidinotransferases** (32 organisms)   
      - 2.1.4.1 glycine amidinotransferase** (17 organisms)   
      - 2.1.4.2 scyllo-inosamine-4-phosphate amidinotransferase** (15 organisms)   
  - 2.2 Transferring aldehyde or ketonic groups** (91 organisms)   
  - 2.3 Acyltransferases** (930 organisms)   
  - 2.4 Glycosyltransferases** (925 organisms)   
  - 2.5 Transferring alkyl or aryl groups, other than methyl groups** (547 organisms)   
  - 2.6 Transferring nitrogenous groups** (377 organisms)   
  - 2.7 Transferring phosphorus-containing groups** (1343 organisms)   
  - 2.8 Transferring sulfur-containing groups** (276 organisms)   
  - 2.9 Transferring selenium-containing groups** (6 organisms)  
- 3 Hydrolases** (4453 organisms)   
- 4 Lyases** (2145 organisms)   
- 5 Isomerases** (849 organisms)   
- 6 Ligases** (686 organisms)   

Enzyme Classification scheme  
(from <http://www.brenda-enzymes.org/>)

# Un-Classified Proteins?

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## ***Whole-proteome prediction of protein function via graph-theoretic analysis of interaction maps***

*Elena Nabieva<sup>1,2</sup>, Kam Jim<sup>2</sup>, Amit Agarwal<sup>1</sup>, Bernard Chazelle<sup>1</sup>  
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### Many **unclassified proteins**:

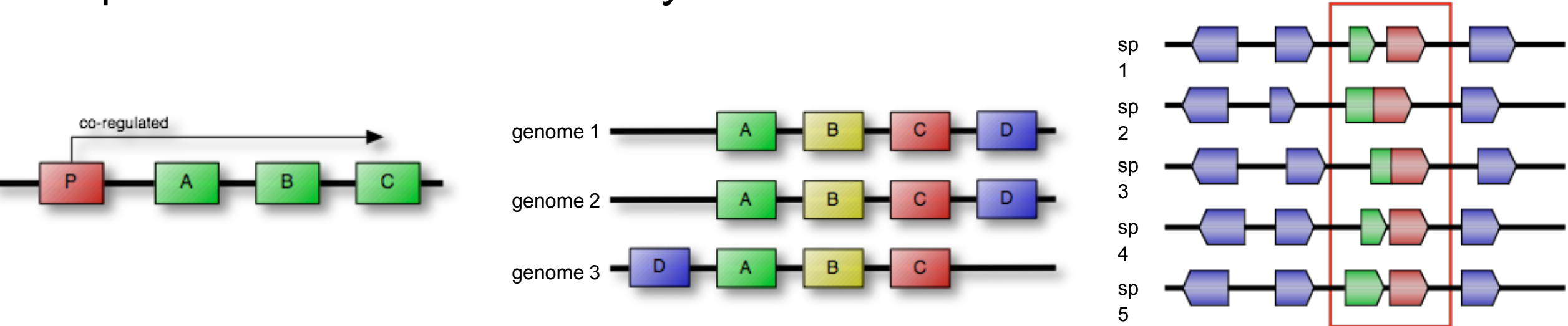
- estimate: ~1/3 of the yeast proteome not annotated functionally
- BioGRID: 4495 proteins in the largest cluster of the yeast physical interaction map.

2946 have a MIPS functional annotation

# Partition the Graph

Large **PPI networks** were built from:

- HT experiments (Y2H, TAP, synthetic lethality, coexpression, coregulation, ...)
  - predictions (gene profiling, gene neighborhood, phylogenetic profiles, ...)
- proteins that are functionally linked



Identify **unknown functions** from **clustering** of these networks by, e.g.:

- shared interactions (similar neighborhood → power graphs)
- membership in a community
- similarity of shortest path vectors to all other proteins (= similar path into the rest of the network)



# Protein Interactions

Nabieva et al used the *S. cerevisiae* dataset from GRID of 2005 (now BioGRID)  
→ 4495 proteins and 12 531 physical interactions in the largest cluster

**BioGRID**

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### About BioGRID

The Biological General Repository for Interaction Datasets (BioGRID) database (<http://www.thebiogrid.org>) was developed to house and distribute collections of protein and genetic interactions from major model organism species. BioGRID currently contains over 198 000 interactions from six different species, as derived from both high-throughput studies and conventional focused studies. Through comprehensive curation efforts, **BioGRID** now includes a virtually complete set of interactions reported to date in the primary literature for both the budding yeast *Saccharomyces cerevisiae* and the fission yeast *Schizosaccharomyces pombe*. A number of new features have been added to the BioGRID including an improved user interface to display interactions based on different attributes, a mirror site and a dedicated interaction management system to coordinate curation across different locations. The BioGRID provides interaction data with monthly updates to *Saccharomyces* Genome Database, Flybase and Entrez Gene. Source code for the BioGRID and the linked **Osprey network visualization system** is now freely available without restriction.

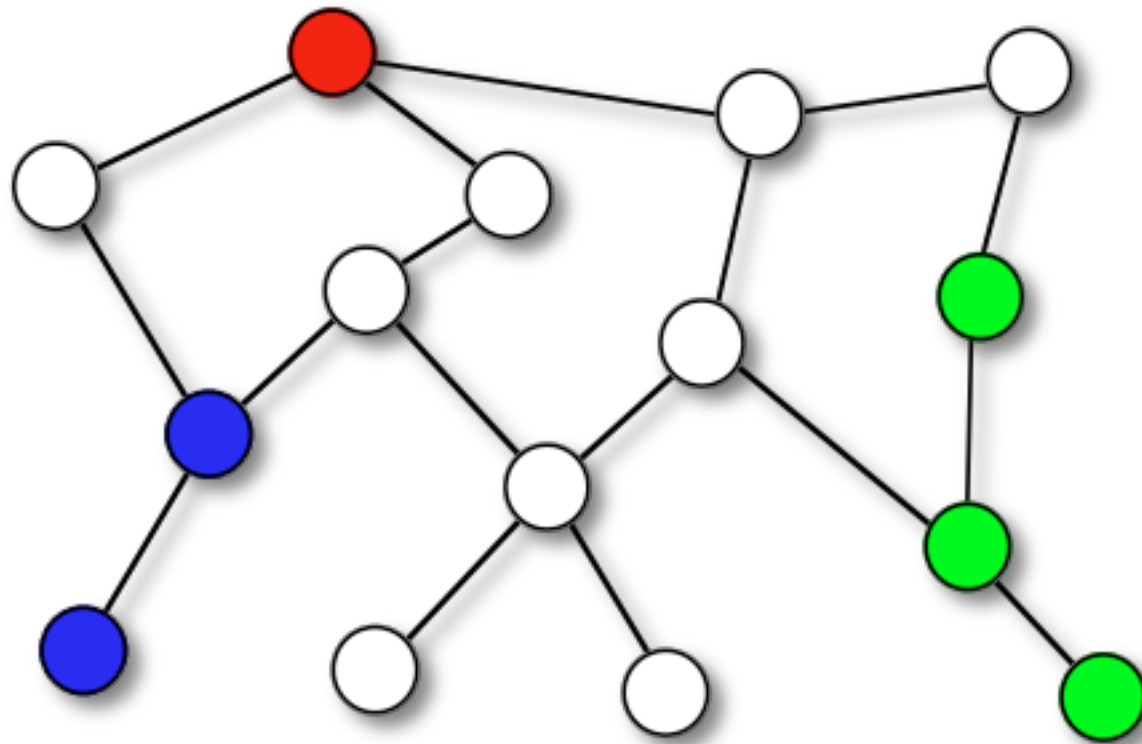
### BioGRID Links

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- [Canadian Institutes of Health Research \(CIHR\)](#)
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<http://www.thebiogrid.org/about.php>

# Function Annotation

**Task:** **predict** function (= functional annotation) for a protein from the **available** annotations

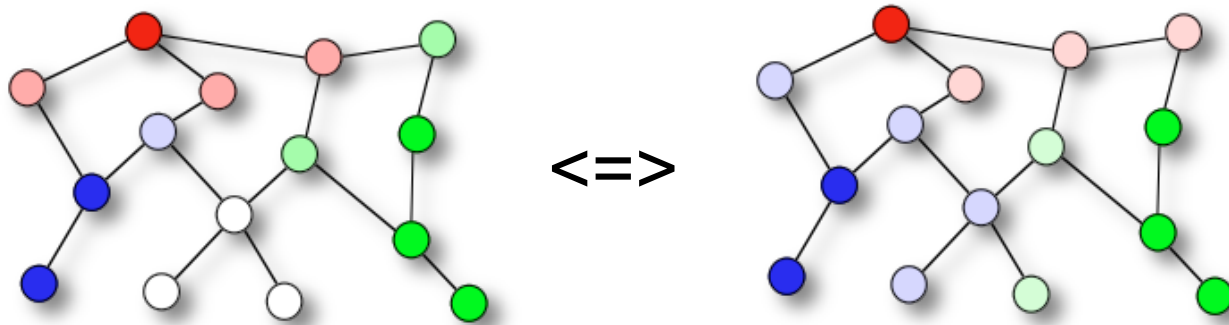


Similar:

How to **assign colors** to the white nodes?

Use information on:

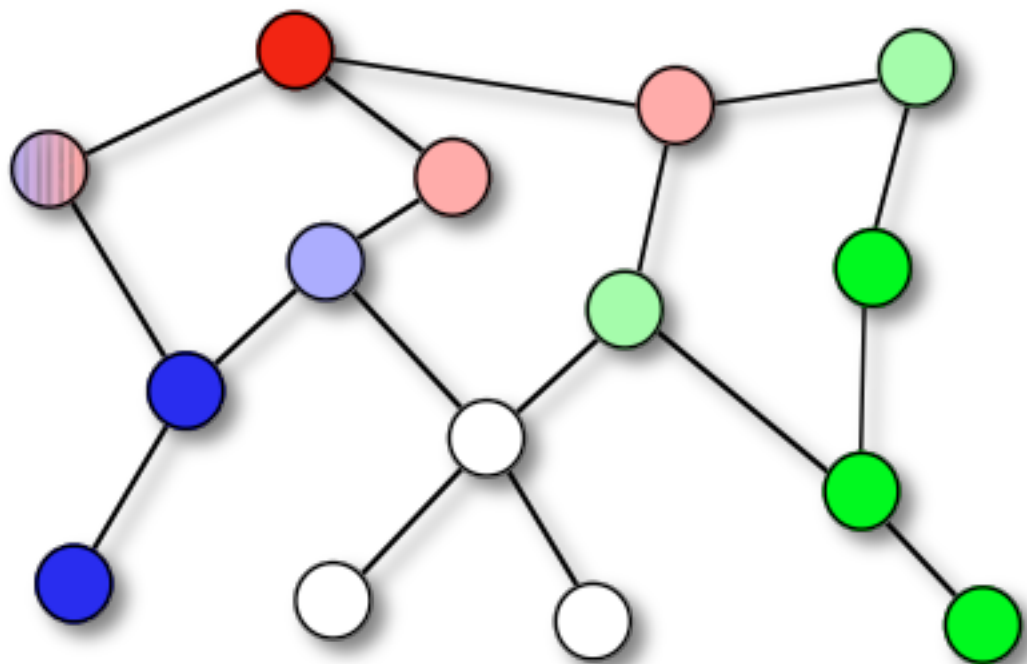
- distance to colored nodes
- local connectivity
- reliability of the links
- ...



# Algorithm I: Majority

Schwikowski, Uetz, and Fields, "A network of protein–protein interactions in yeast" *Nat. Biotechnol.* **18** (2000) 1257

Consider all neighbors and **sum** up how often a certain **annotation occurs**  
→ score for an annotation = count among the direct neighbors  
→ take the 3 most frequent functions



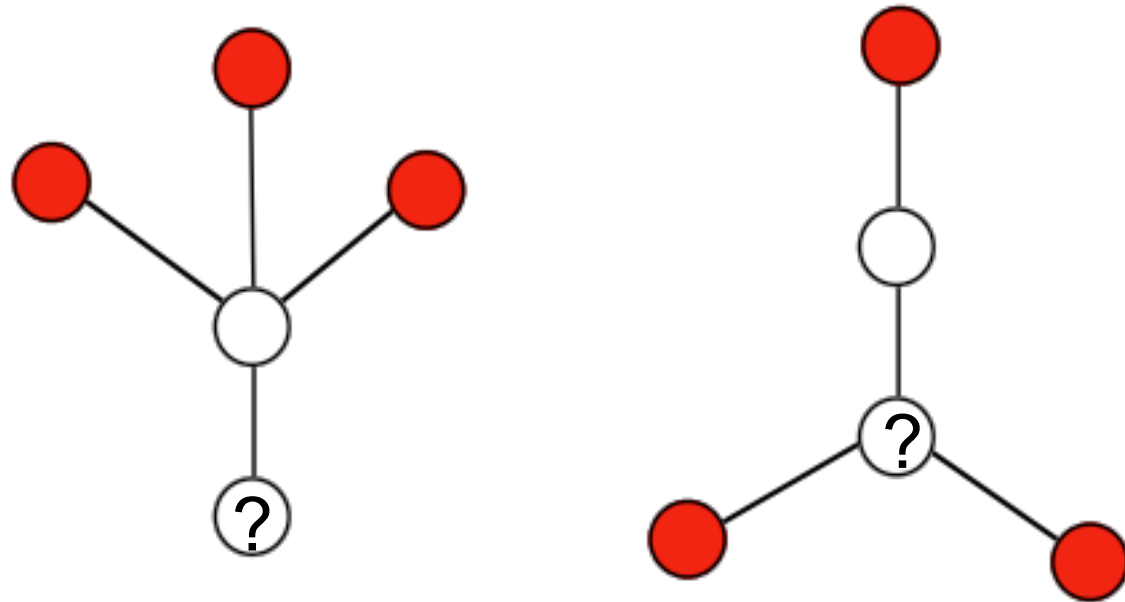
Majority makes only limited use of the local connectivity  
→ cannot assign function to next-neighbors

For weighted graphs:  
→ weighted sum

# Extended Majority: Neighborhood

Hishigaki, Nakai, Ono, Tanigami, and Takagi, "Assessment of prediction accuracy of protein function from protein–protein interaction data", *Yeast* **18** (2001) 523

Look for **overrepresented** functions within a given **radius** of 1, 2, or 3 links  
→ use as function score the value of a  $\chi^2$ –test



Neighborhood does not consider local network topology

Both examples are treated **identically** with  $r = 2$

Neighborhood can not (easily) be generalized to weighted graphs!

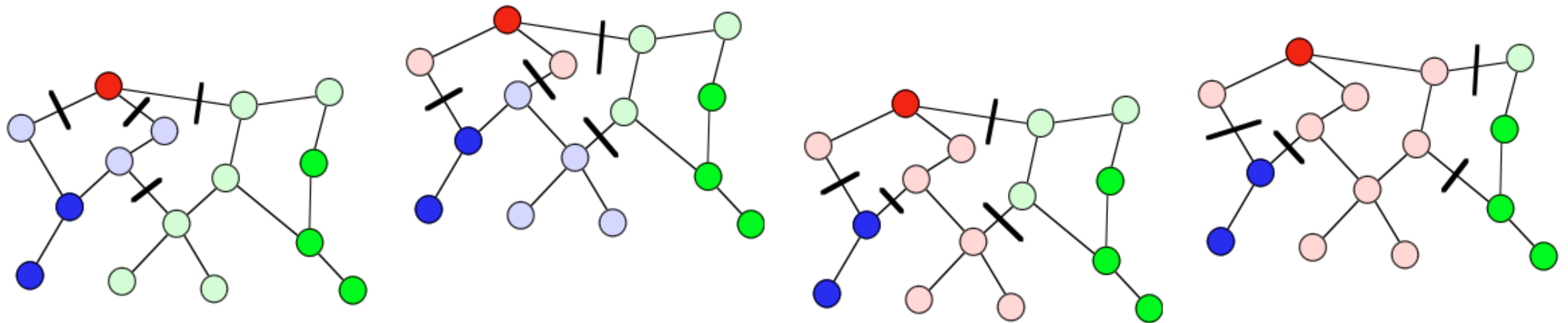


# Minimize Changes: GenMultiCut

Karaoz, Murali, Letovsky, Zheng, Ding, Cantor, and Kasif, "Whole-genome annotation by using evidence integration in functional-linkage networks"  
PNAS **101** (2004) 2888

"Annotate proteins so as to **minimize** the number of times that **different** functions are associated with **neighboring** proteins"

→ generalization of the multiway *k*-cut problem for weighted edges,  
can be stated as an integer linear program (ILP)



**Multiple** possible solutions → scores from **frequency** of annotations



# Nabieva *et al*: FunctionalFlow

Extend the idea of "**guilty by association**"

→ each annotated protein is a source of "function"-flow

→ simulate for a few time steps

→ choose the annotation  $a$  with the highest accumulated flow

Each node  $u$  has a reservoir  $R_t(u)$ , each edge a capacity constraint (weight)  $w_{u,v}$

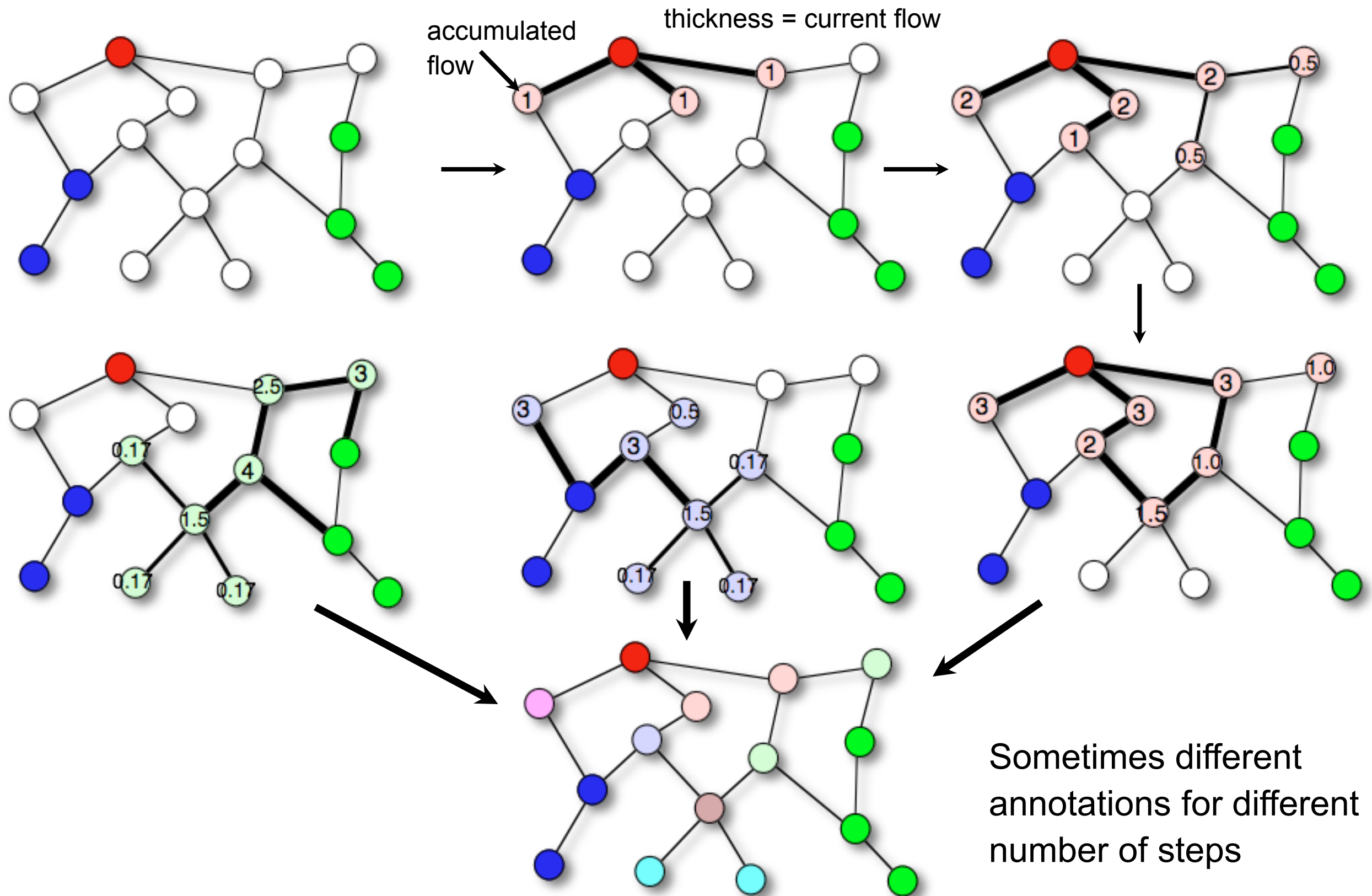
**Initially:**  $R_0^a(u) = \begin{cases} \infty, & \text{if } u \text{ is annotated with } a, \\ 0, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$  and  $g_0^a(u, v) = 0$

Then: **downhill flow** with capacity constraints

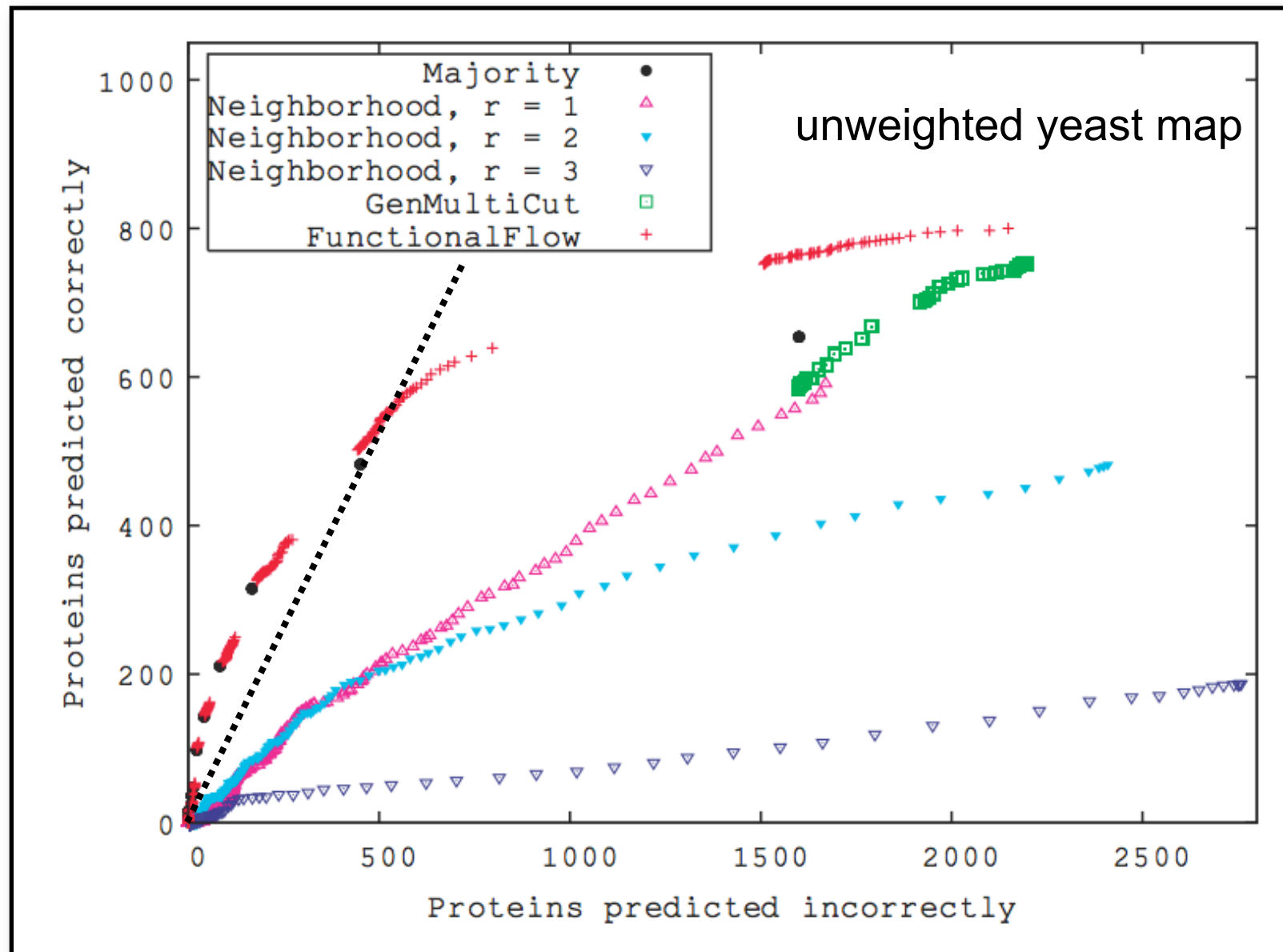
$$g_t^a(u, v) = \begin{cases} 0, & \text{if } R_{t-1}^a(u) < R_{t-1}^a(v) \\ \min\left(w_{u,v}, \frac{w_{u,v}}{\sum_{(u,y) \in E} w_{u,y}}\right), & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

**Score** from accumulated in-flow:  $f_a(u) = \sum_{t=1}^d \sum_{v:(u,v) \in E} g_t^a(v, u)$

# An Example



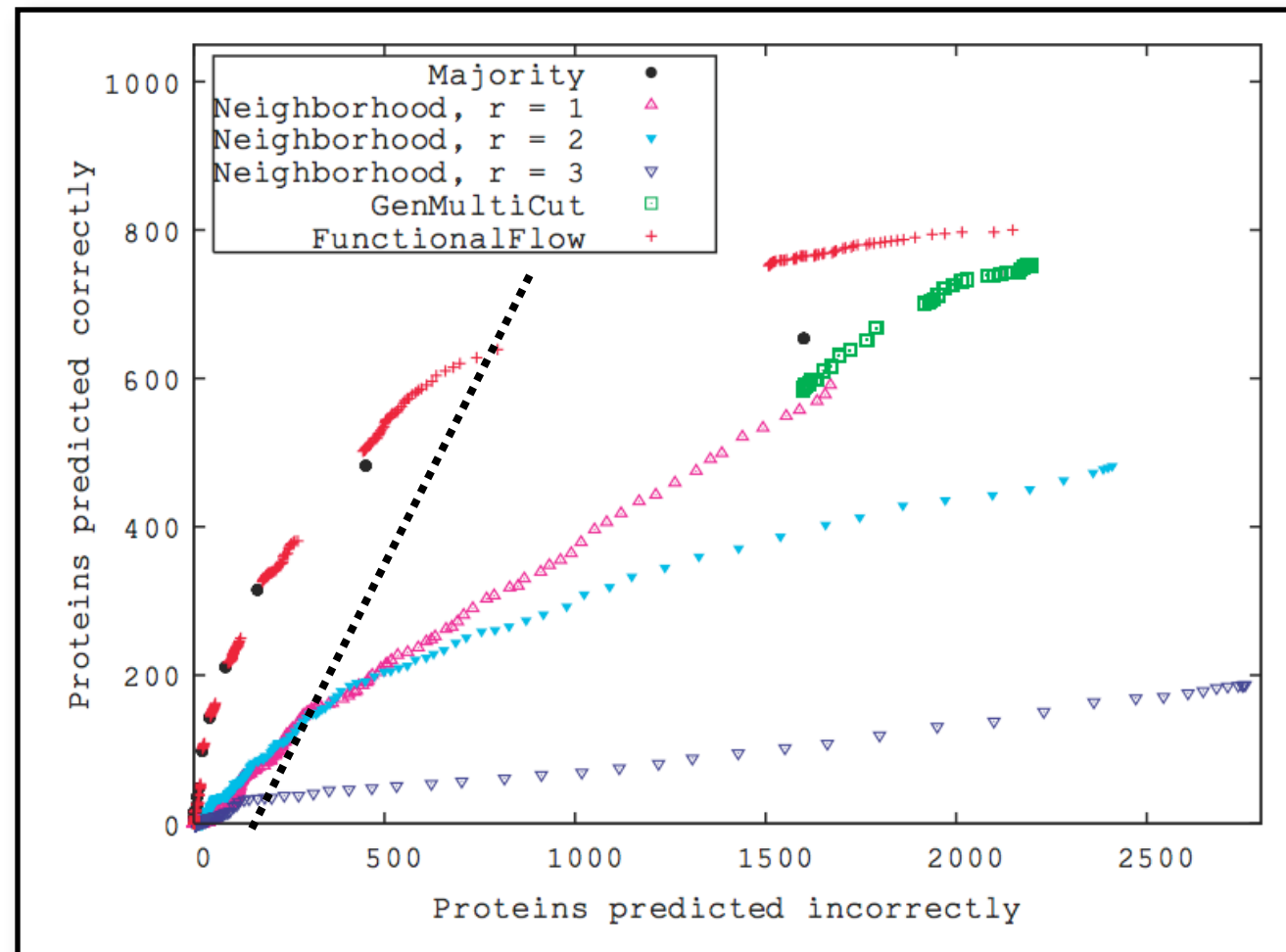
# Comparison



For FunctionalFlow:  
six propagation steps  
(diameter of the yeast  
network  $\approx 12$ )

Change **score threshold** for accepting annotations  $\rightarrow$  ratio **TP/FP**  
 $\rightarrow$  **FunctionalFlow** performs **best** in the high-confidence region  
 $\rightarrow$  many false predictions!!!

# Comparison Details



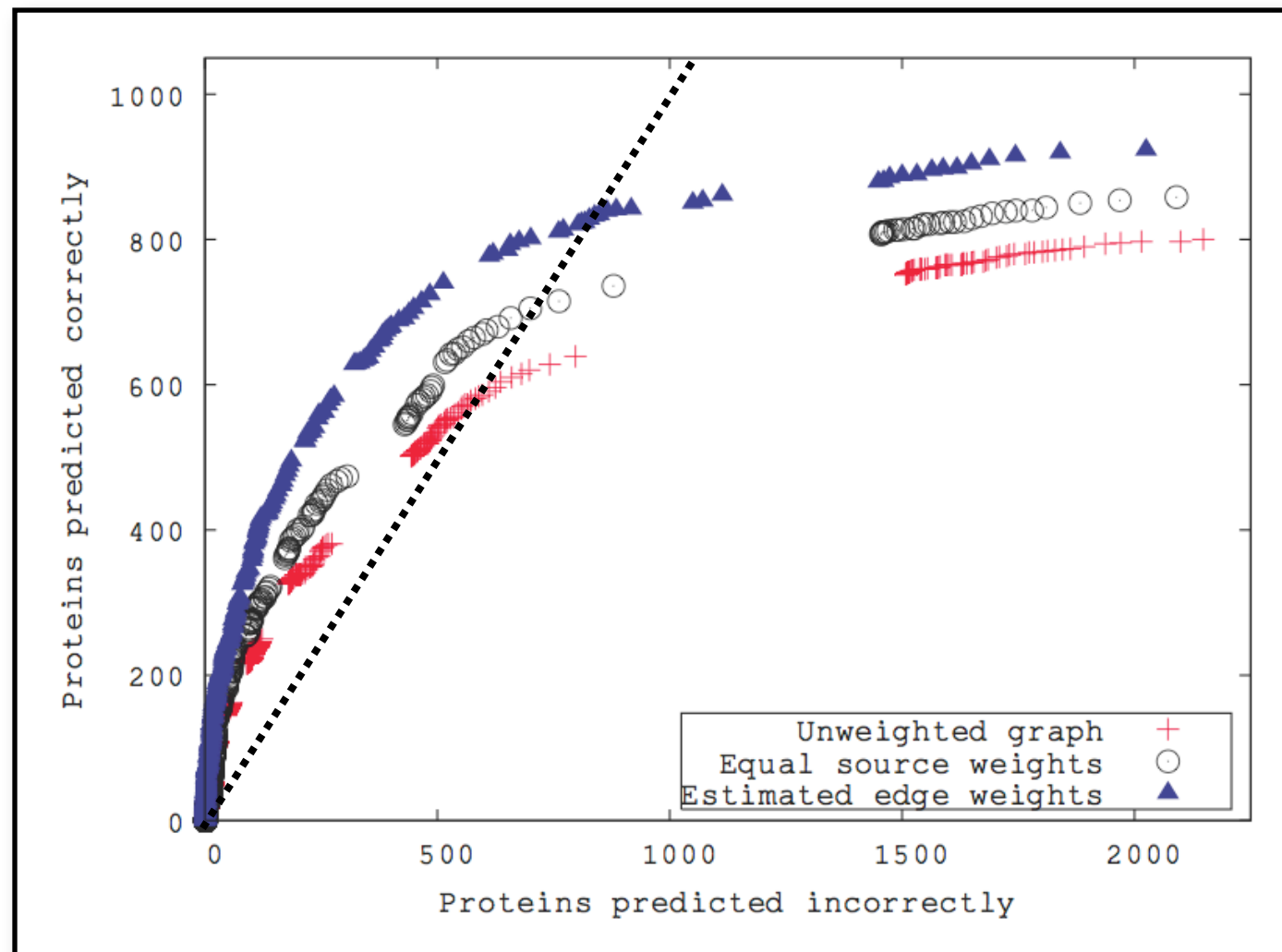
Multiple runs (solutions) of  
FunctionalFlow  
(with slight random perturbations  
of the weights)  
→ increases prediction accuracy

Majority vs. Neighborhood @  $r = 1$   
→ counting neighboring  
annotations is more effective  
than  $\chi^2$ -test

Neighborhood with  $r = 1$  comparable to FunctionalFlow  
for high-confidence region, performance decreases with increasing  $r$   
→ **bad** idea to **ignore** local connectivity

# Weighted Graphs

Performance of FunctionalFlow with differently weighted data:



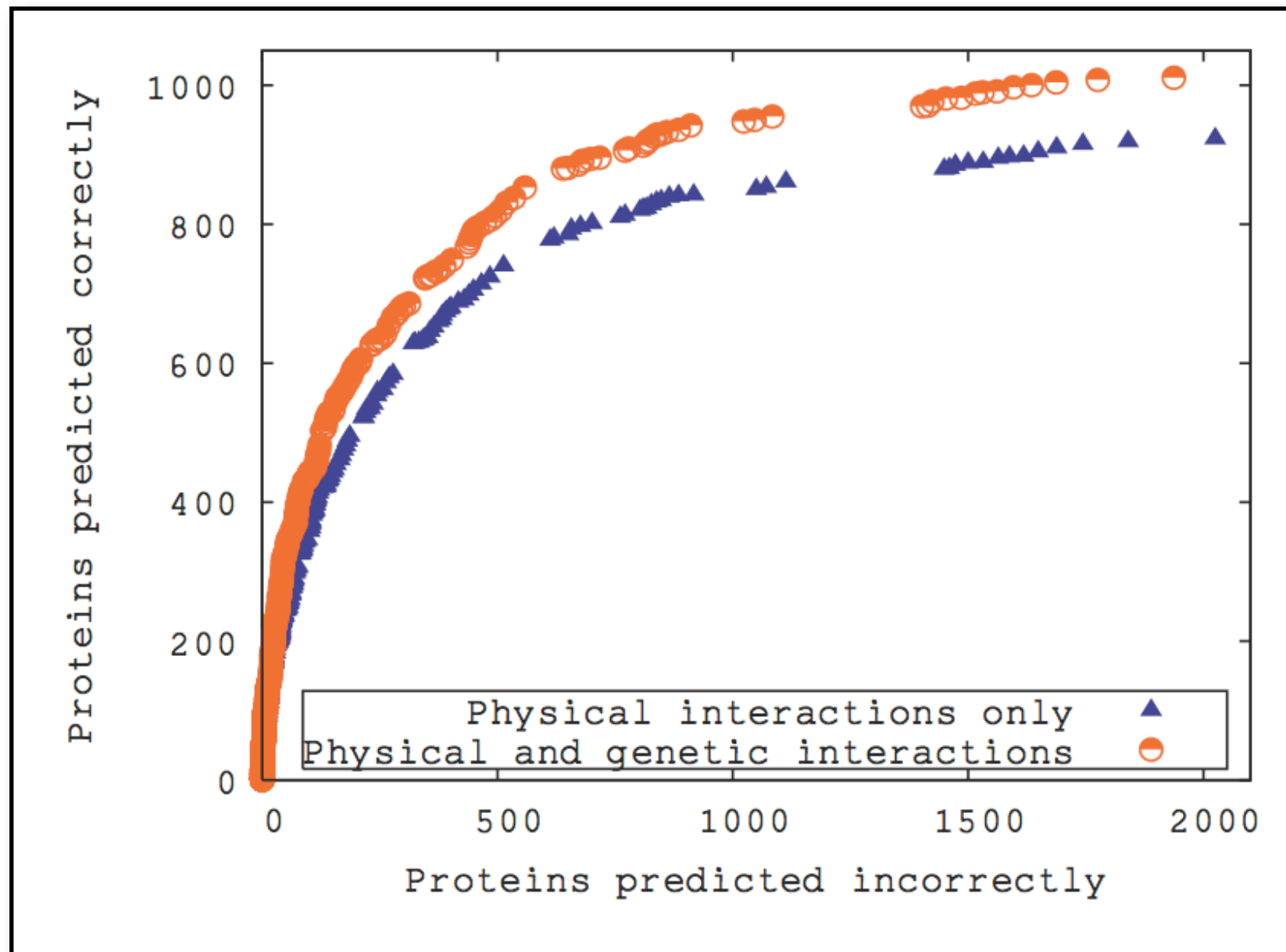
Compare:

- unweighted
- weight 0.5 per experiment
- weight for experiments according to (estimated) reliability

Largest improvement  
→ individual experimental reliabilities



# Additional Information



Use **genetic linkage** to modify the edge **weights**  
→ better performance (also for Majority and GenMultiCut)

# Summary: Static PPI-Networks

"Proteins are **modular machines**"  $\Leftrightarrow$  How are they related to each other?

## 1) **Understand** "Networks"

prototypes (ER, SF, ...) and their properties ( $P(k)$ ,  $C(k)$ , clustering, ...)

## 2) **Get the data**

experimental and theoretical techniques (Y2H, TAP, co-regulation, ...),  
quality control and data integration (Bayes)

## 3) **Analyze** the data

compare  $P(k)$ ,  $C(k)$ , clusters, ... to prototypes  $\rightarrow$  highly modular, clustered  
with sparse sampling  $\rightarrow$  PPI networks are not scale-free

## 4) **Predict** missing information

network structure combined from multiple sources  $\rightarrow$  functional annotation

**Next step:** environmental changes, cell cycle

$\rightarrow$  **changes** (dynamics) in the PPI network – **how and why?**