

Graphs and Networks

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Graph: Set of vertices V

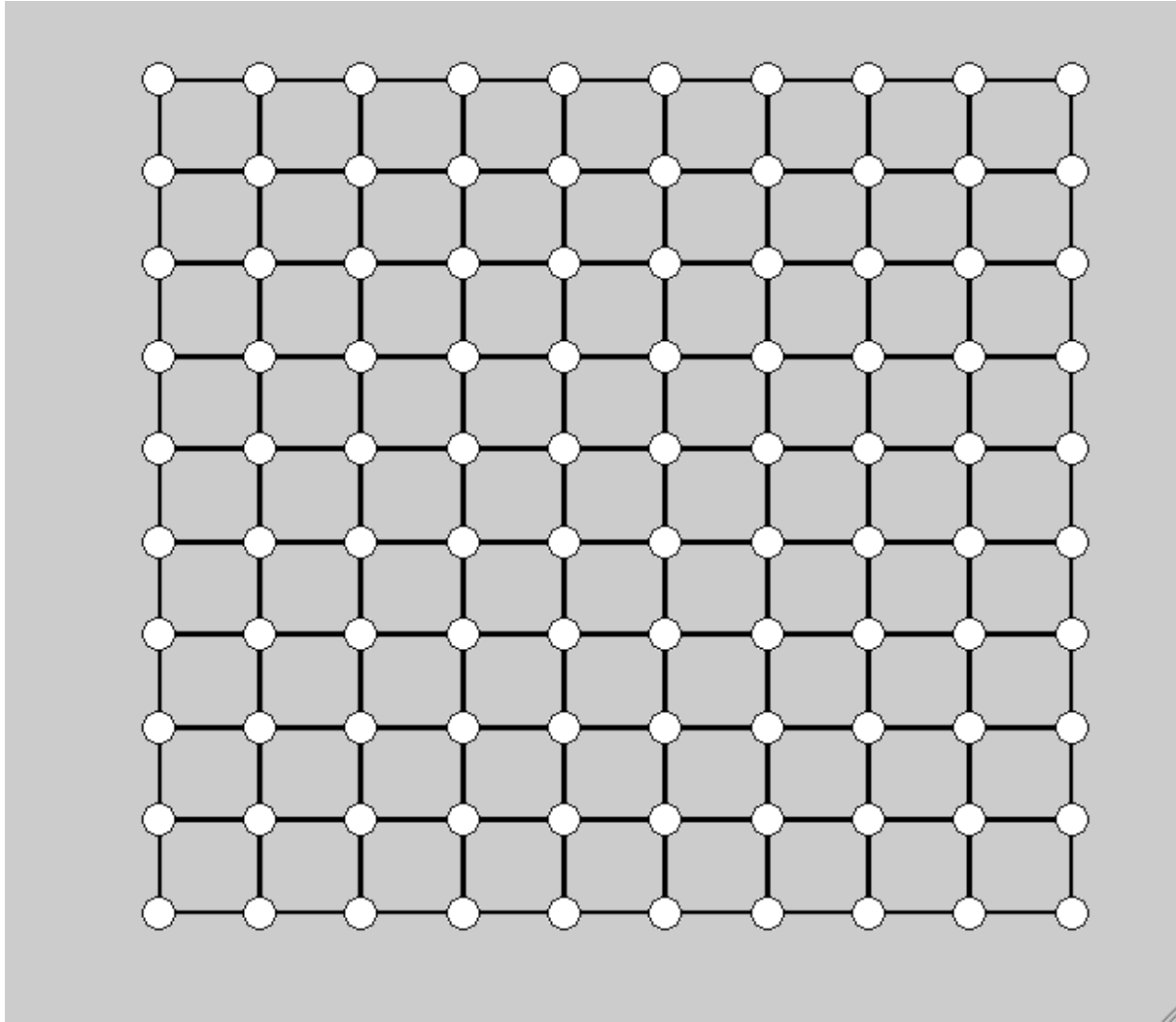
Set of edges E – pairs of vertices

Sometimes directed/ordered pairs

Sometimes with weights

Network = Graph

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Social networks:

V = people,

E = pairs who know each other/are friends

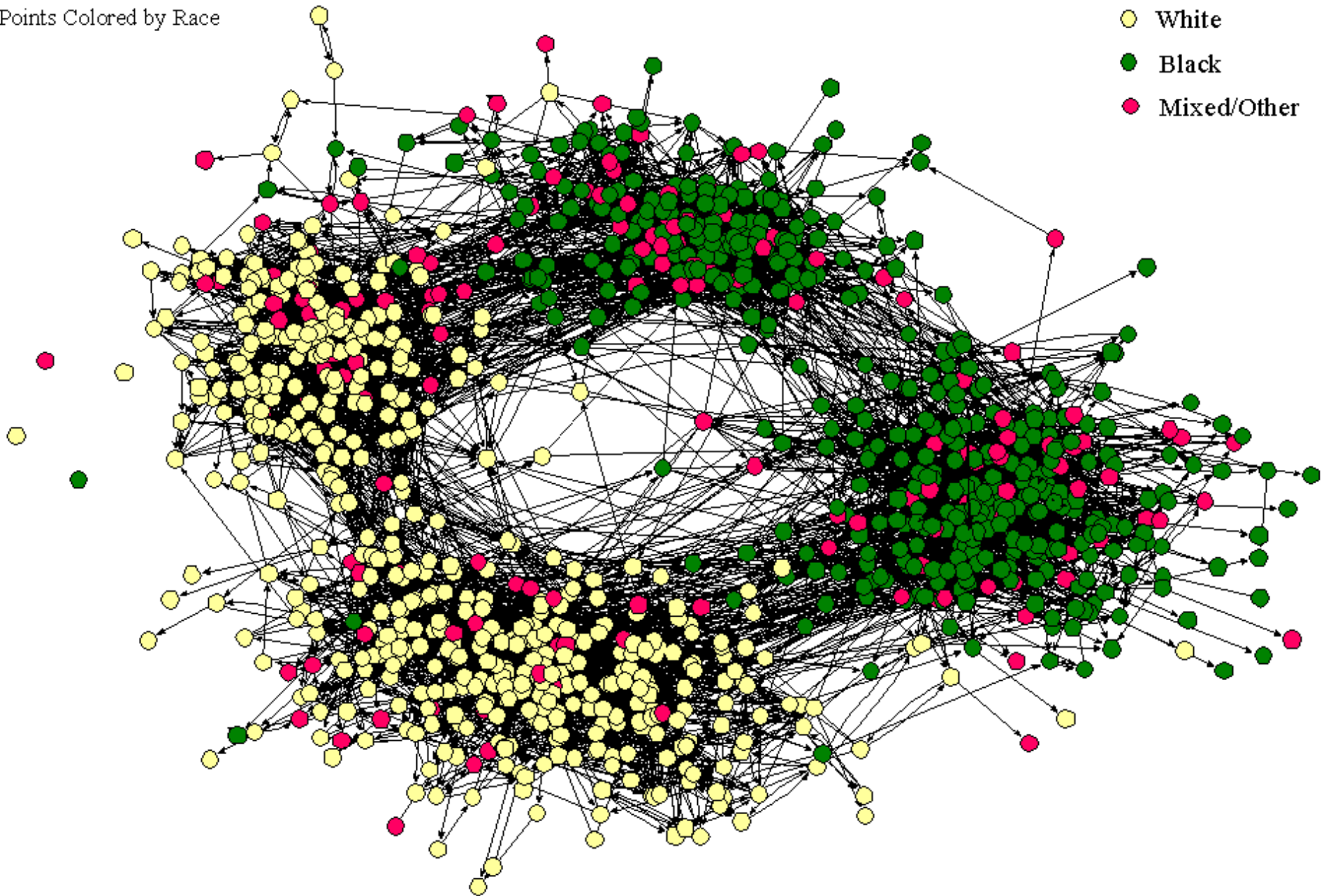
Web graph:

V = web pages,

edge (u,v) if page u links to page v

The Social Structure of “Countryside” School District

Points Colored by Race



From James Moody's page: http://www.sociology.ohio-state.edu/jwm/adol_soc_net.htm

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Protein interaction networks

V = proteins

edges: proteins that “interact”

weight by strength of interaction

Neural networks

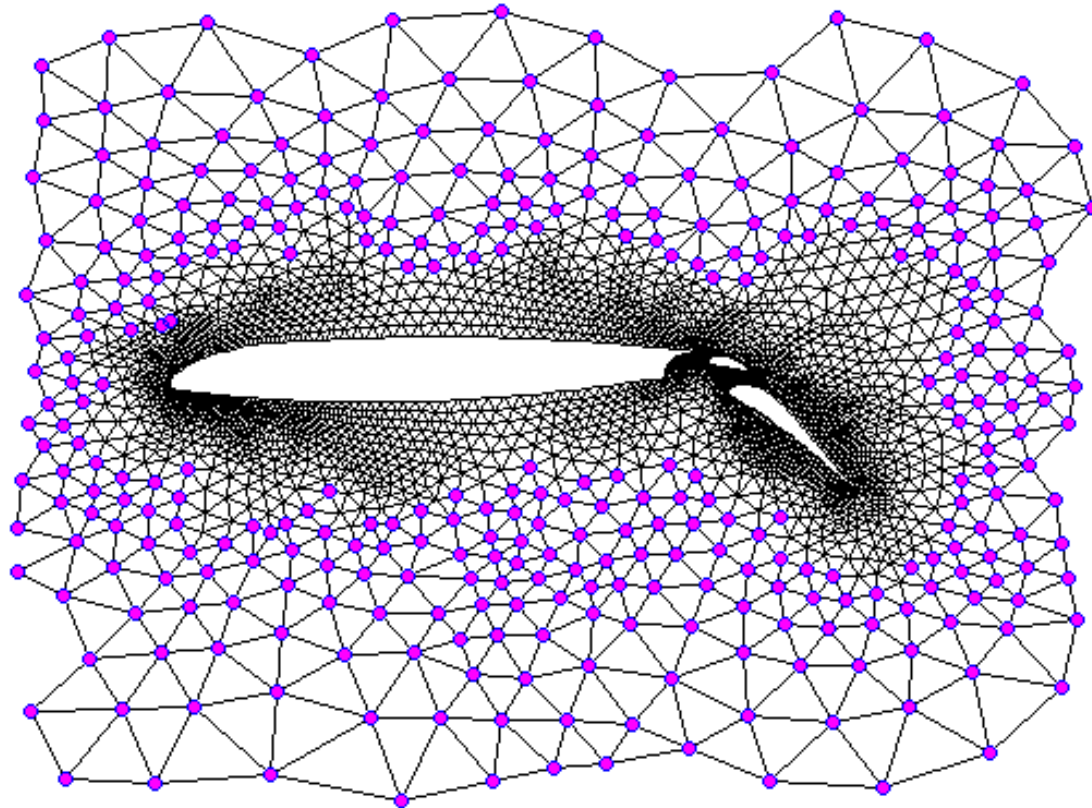
Technological networks

internet hardware

communication networks

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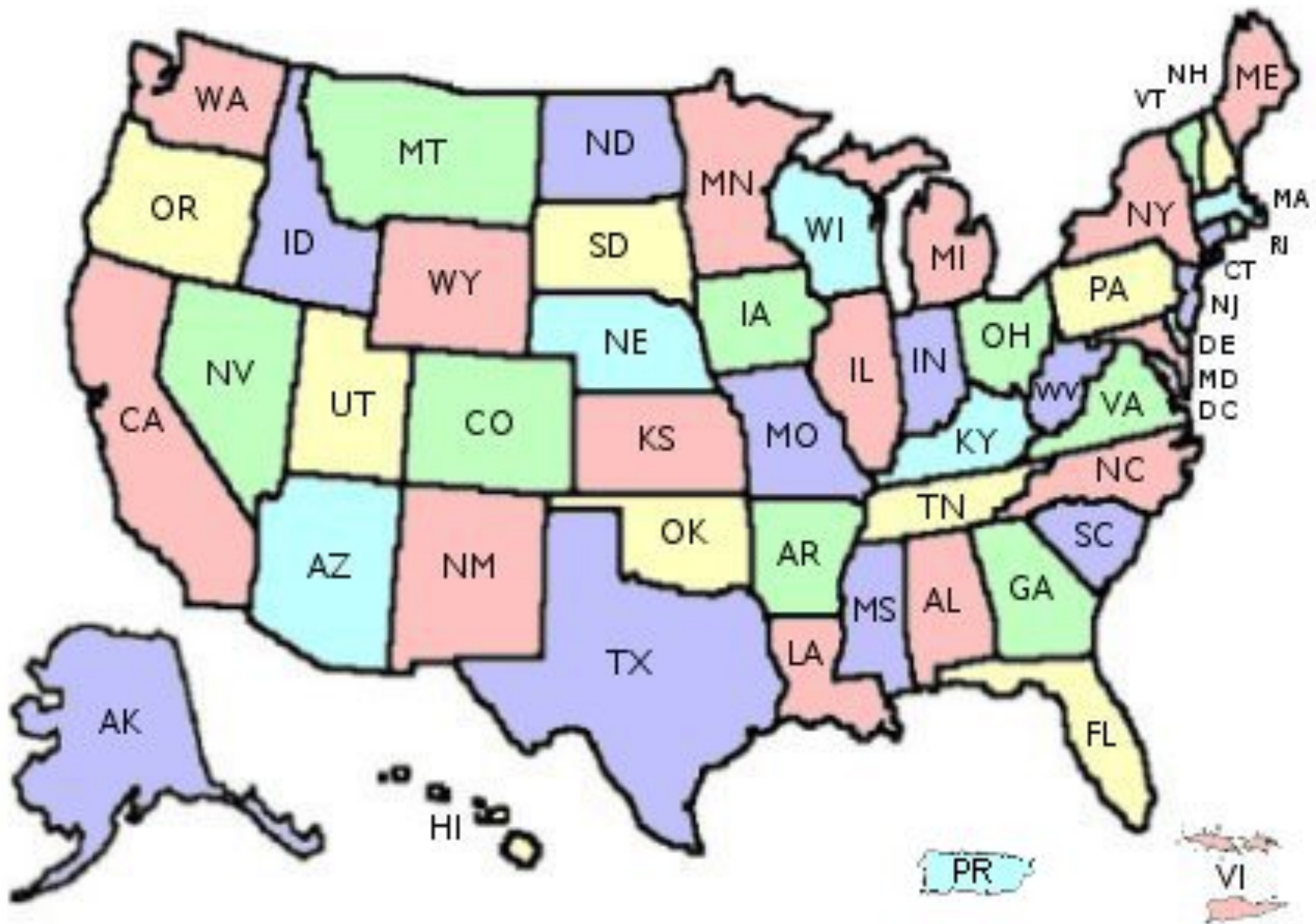
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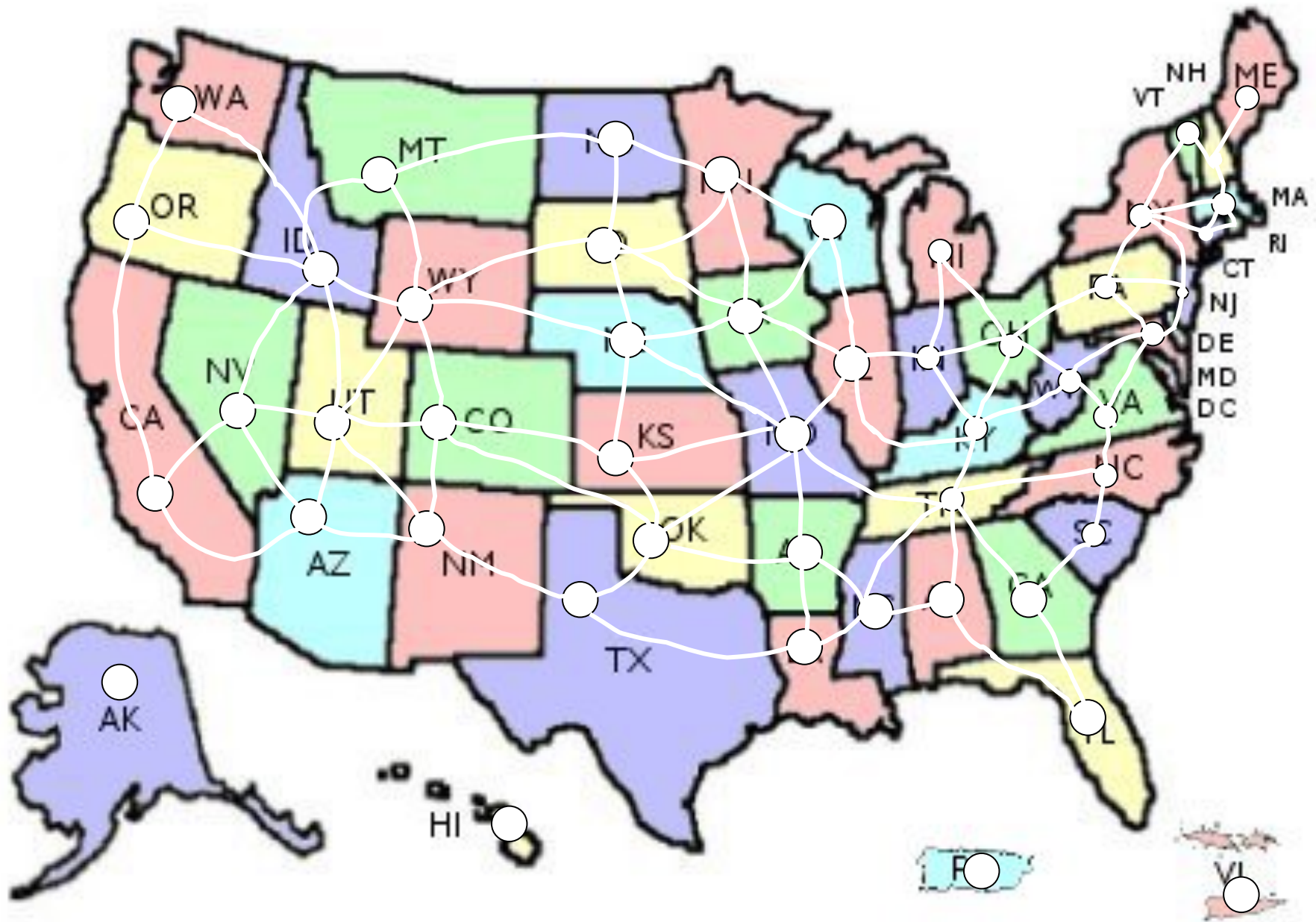
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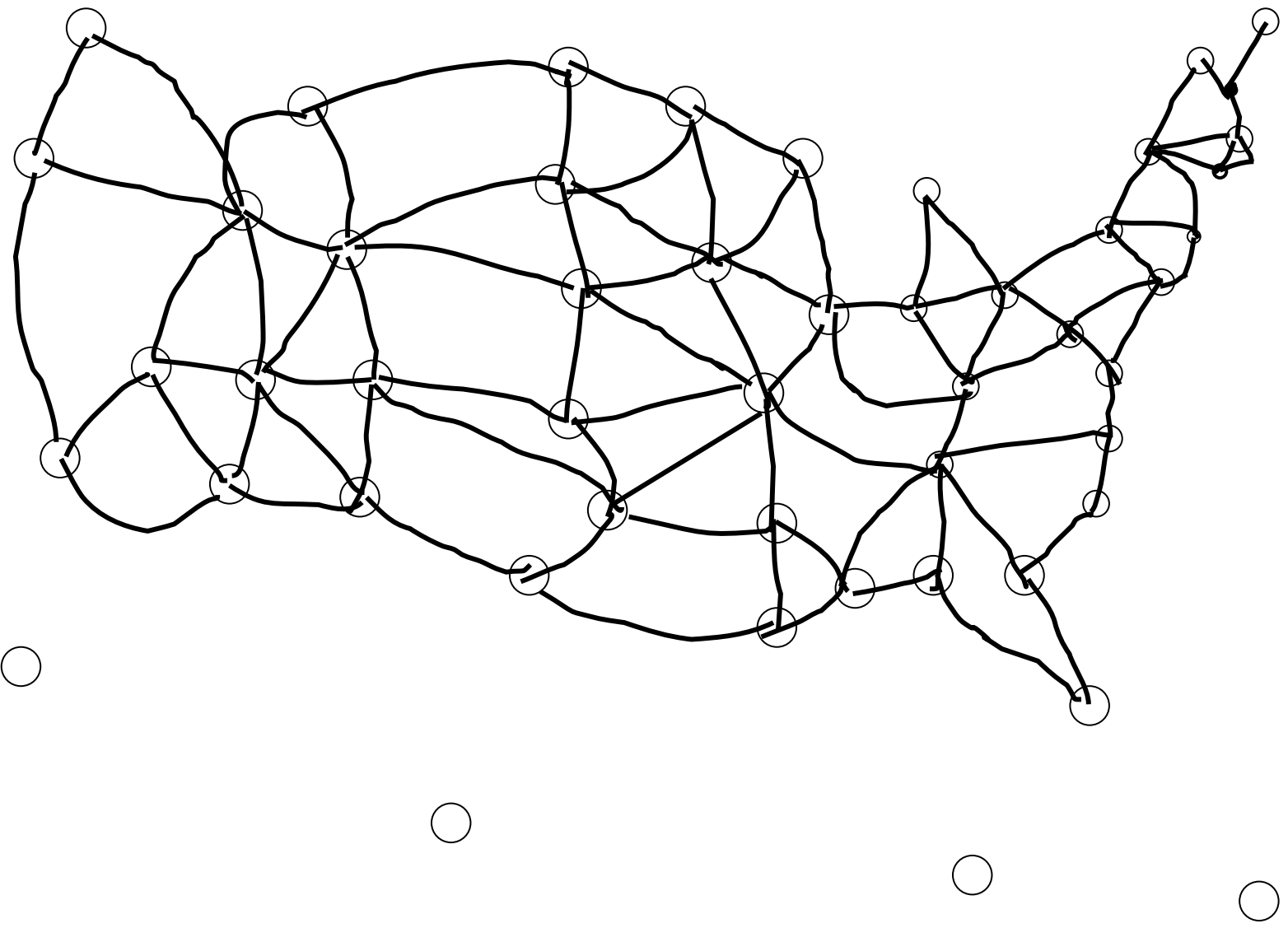
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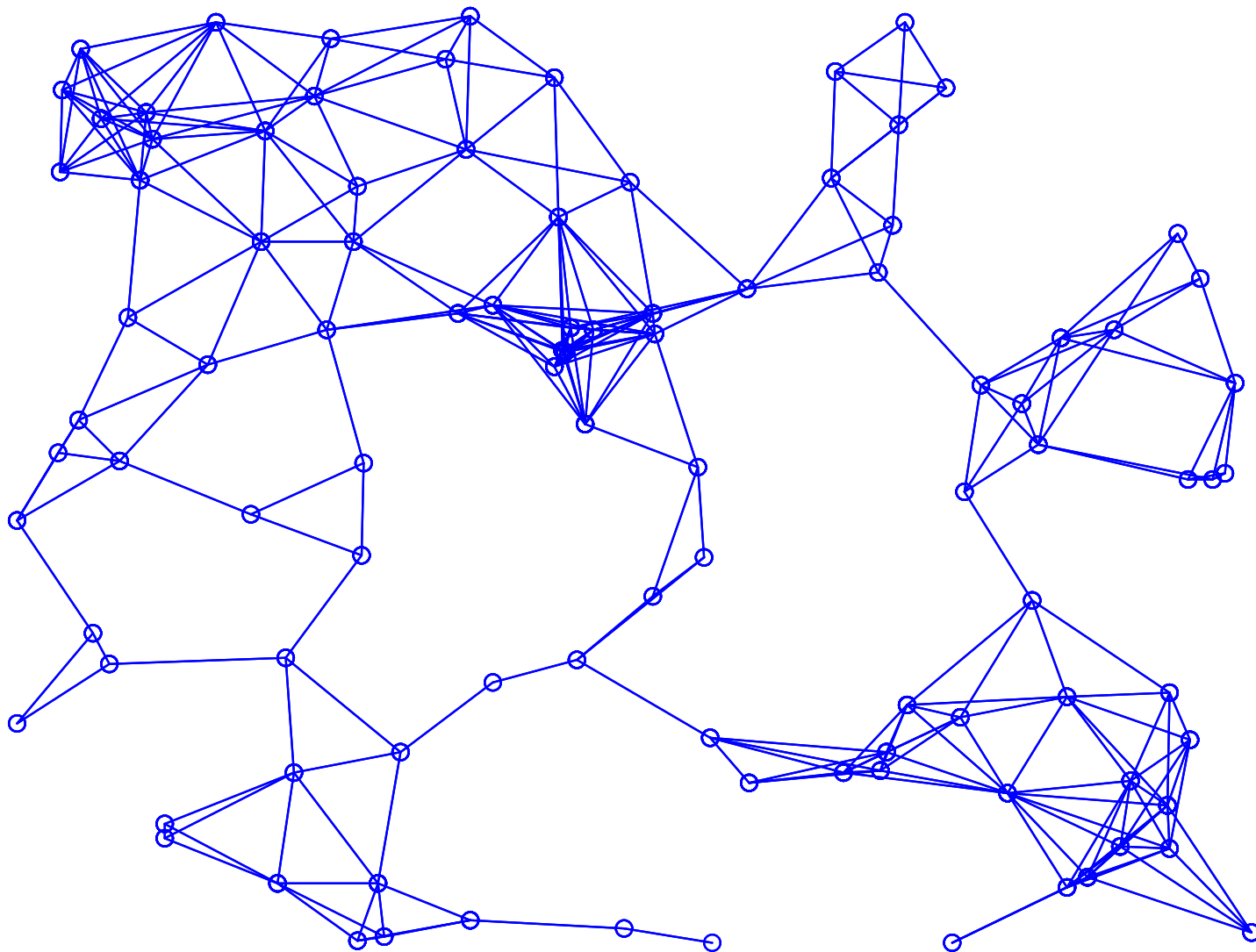
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Geometric Graph: vertices connected if distance less than r



Course outline

1. What graphs look like
 - empirical studies
 - mathematical models
 - sampling bias
 - healthy skepticism

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2. Processes on graphs

diffusion / contagion

random walks

gossip

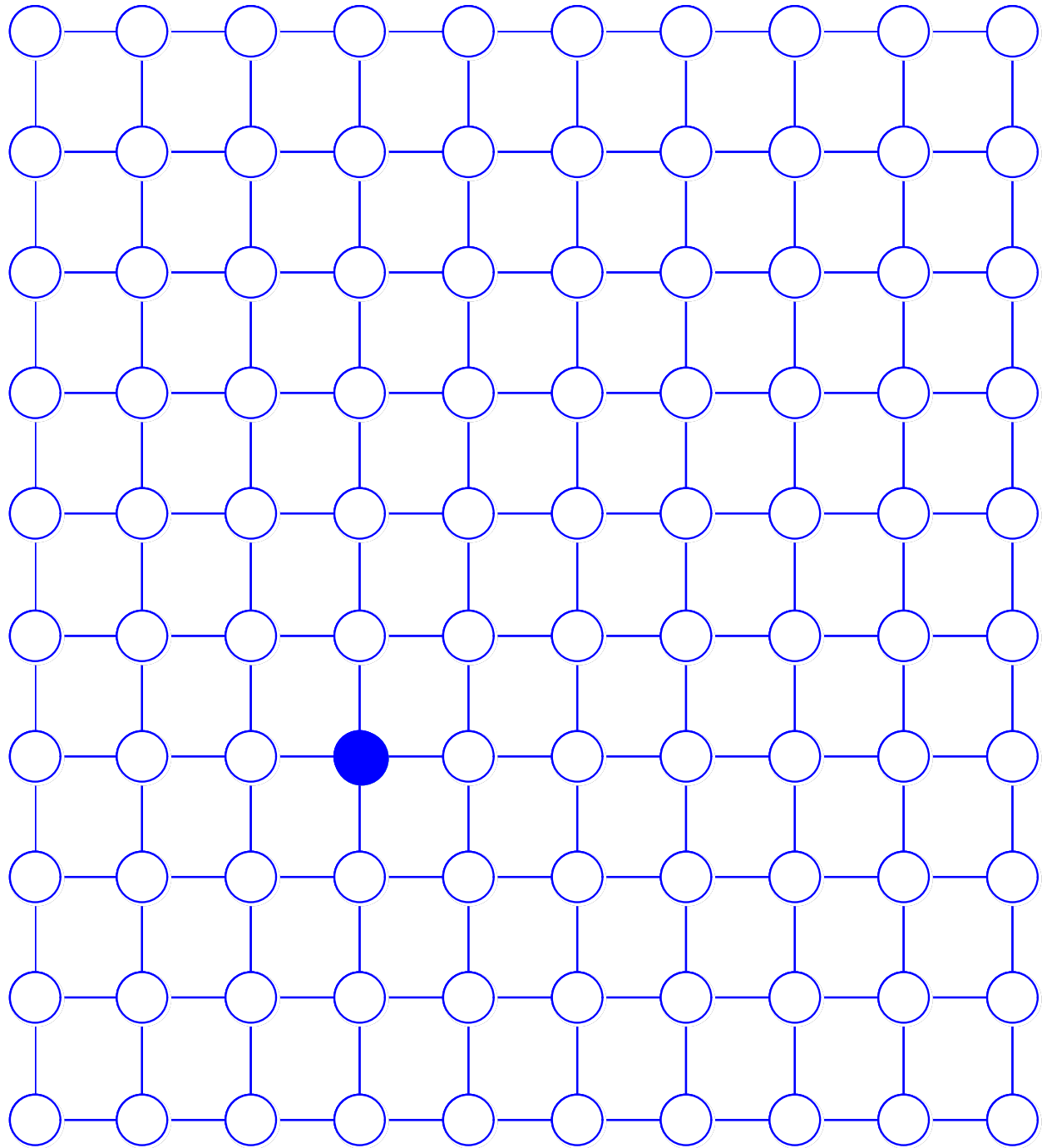
traffic flow

electrical flow

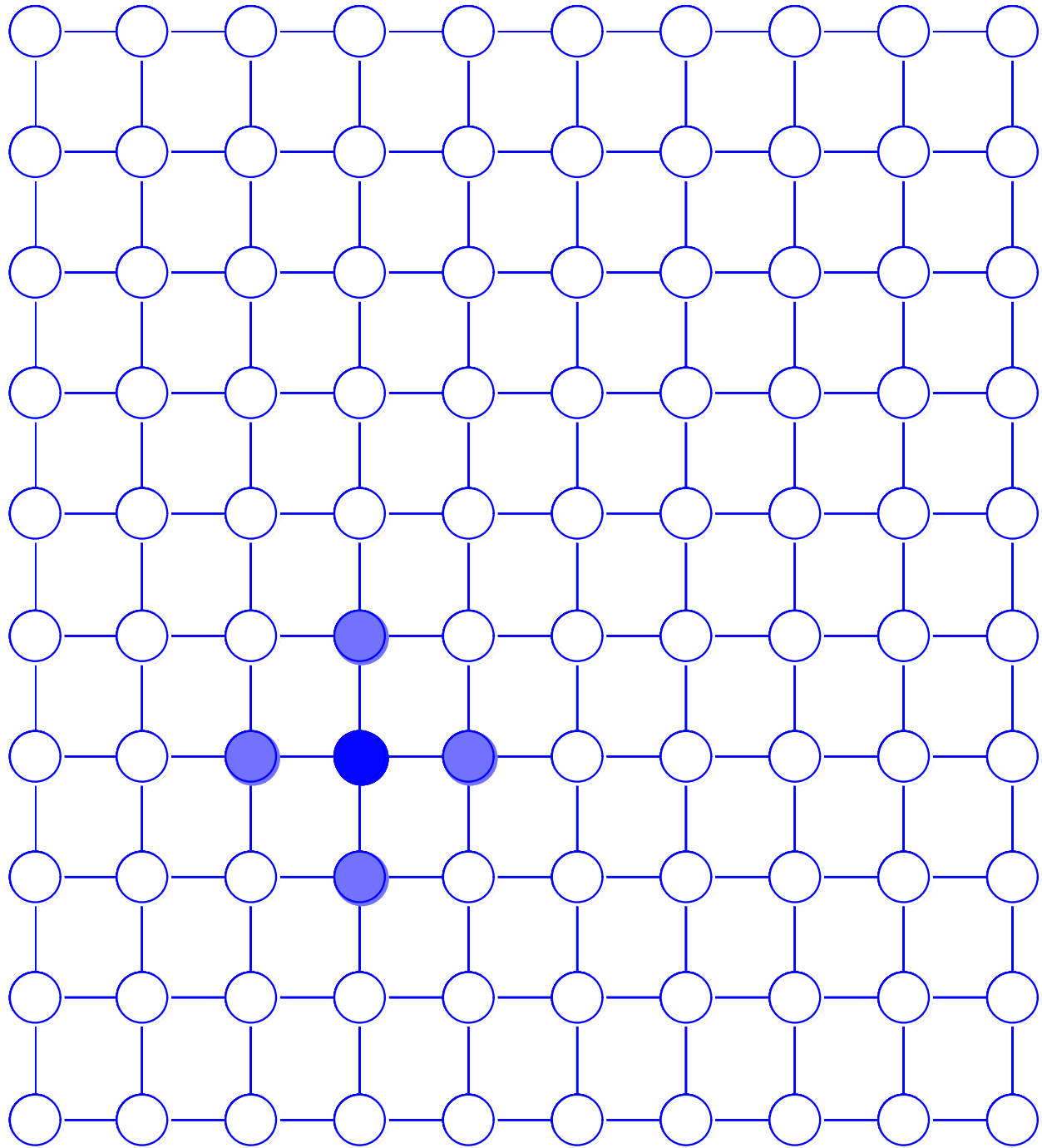
coordination / agreement / percolation

evolution of graphs

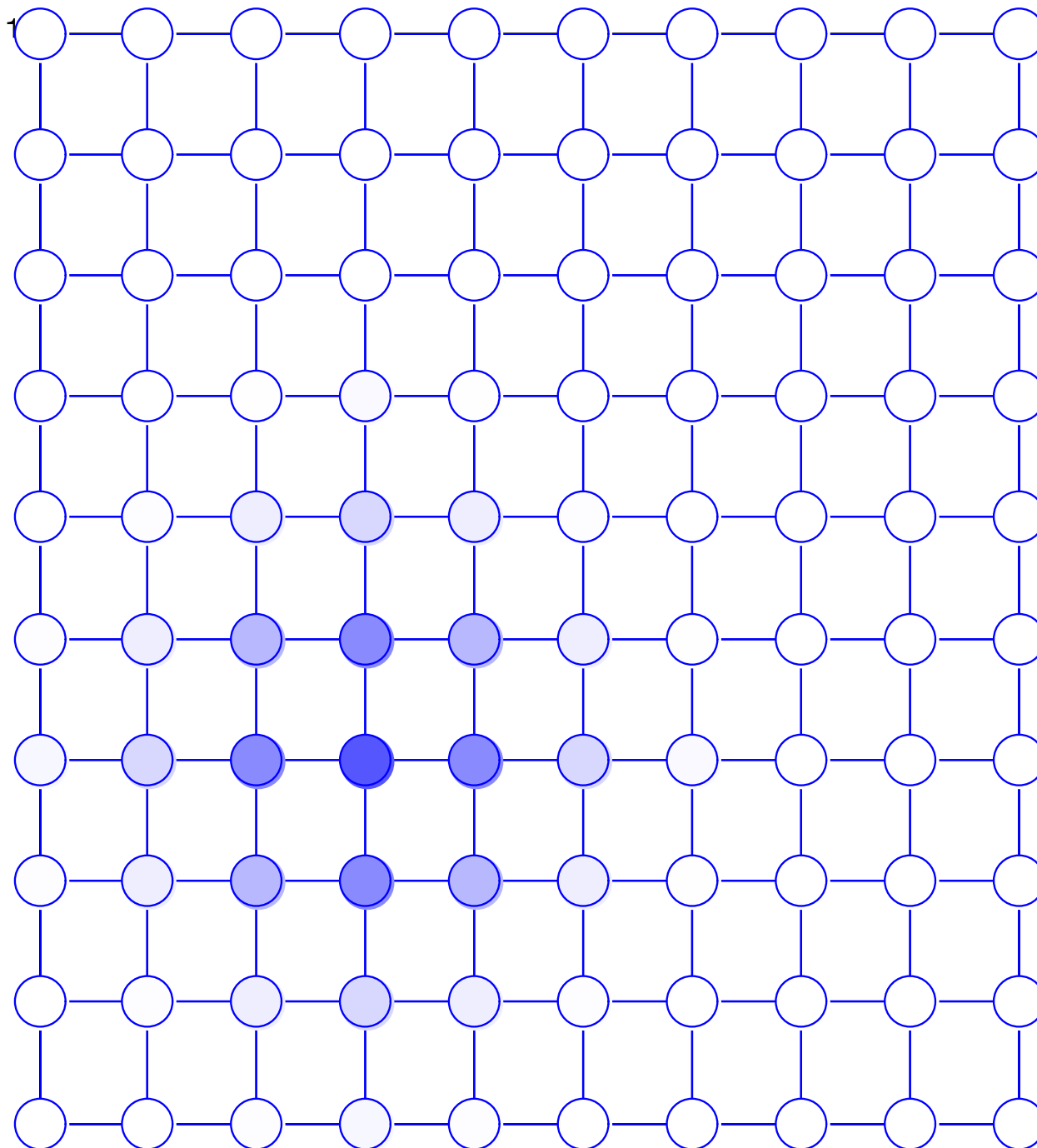
Diffusion



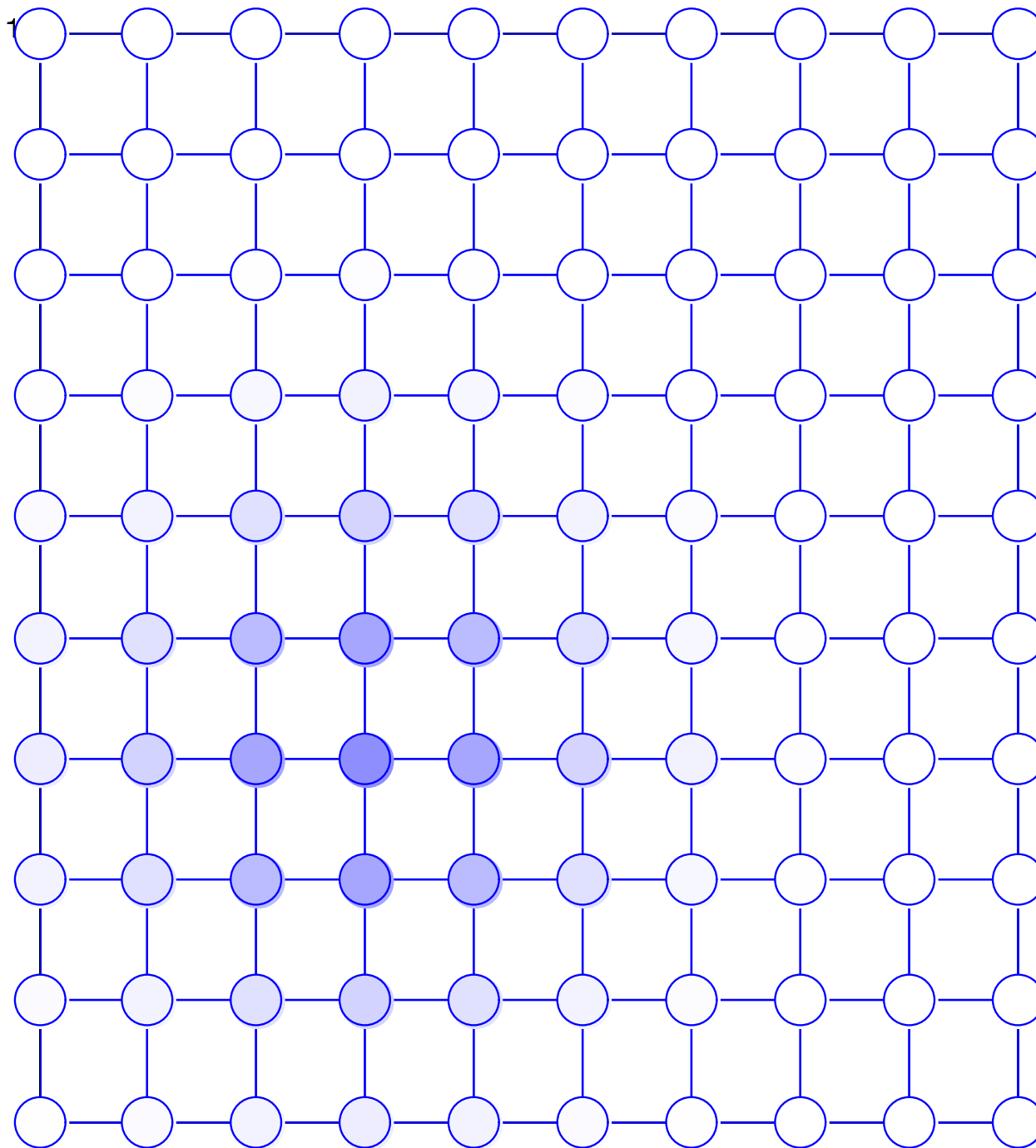
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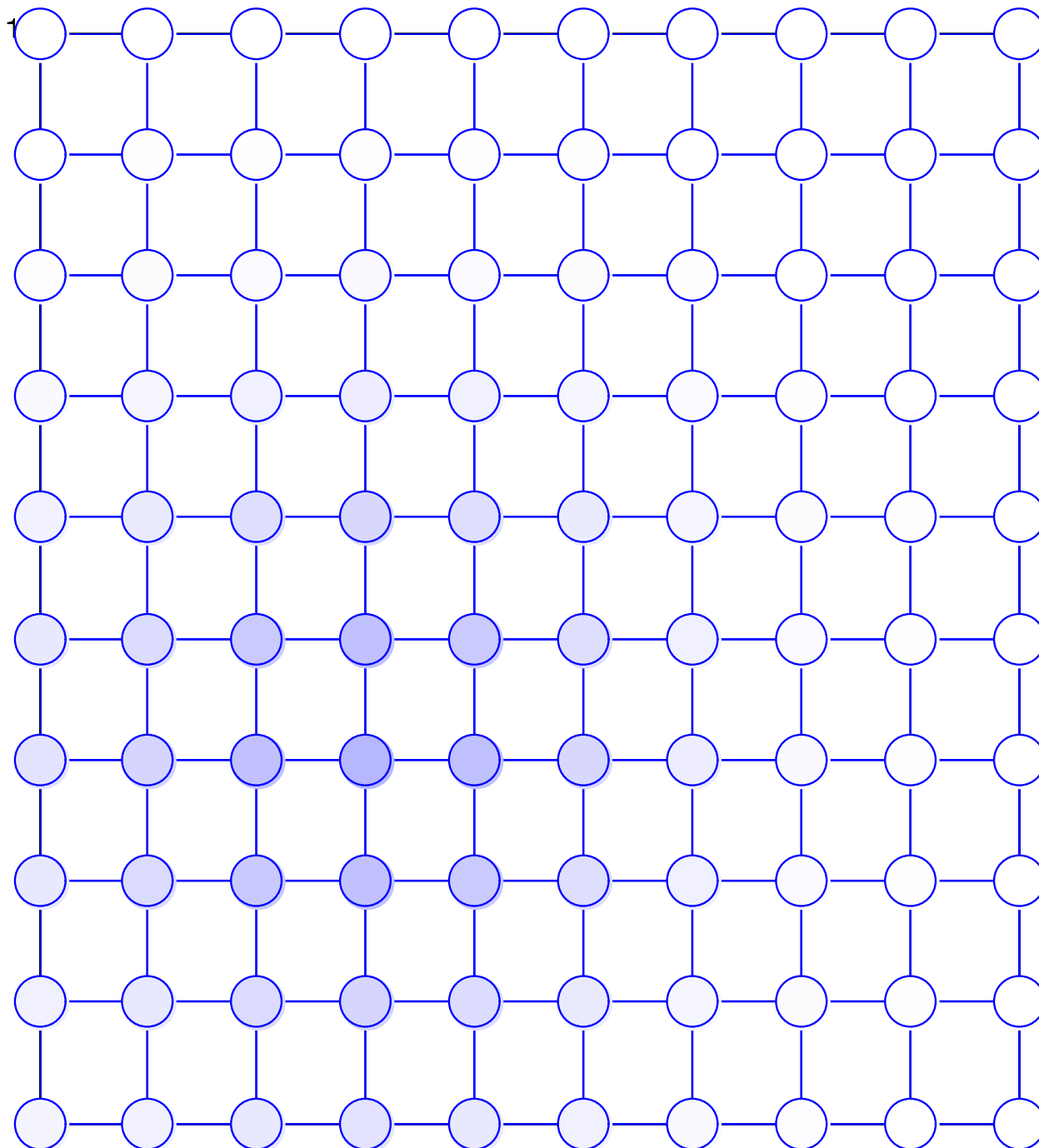
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3. Analysis of graphs

importance / ranking / centrality

similarity / distance measures

community detection

learning

link prediction

de-noising?

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3. Analysis of graphs

validate by:

theoretical justification

axiomatic justification

experiments and prediction

Mechanics

Problem sets

theorems / proofs

some experiments

Final Project (optional)

can substitute for some problem sets

No tests or exams

Future research projects