



# Graph Identification

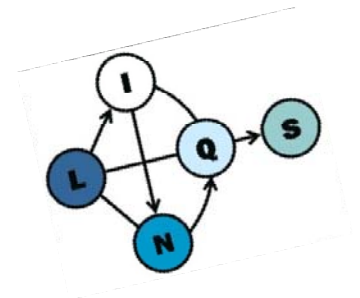
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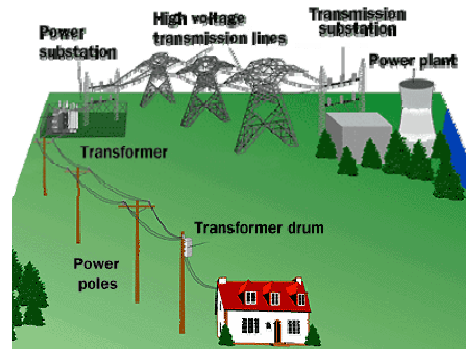
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# Three Take Away Messages

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#1 Pitfall



#2 Paradigm

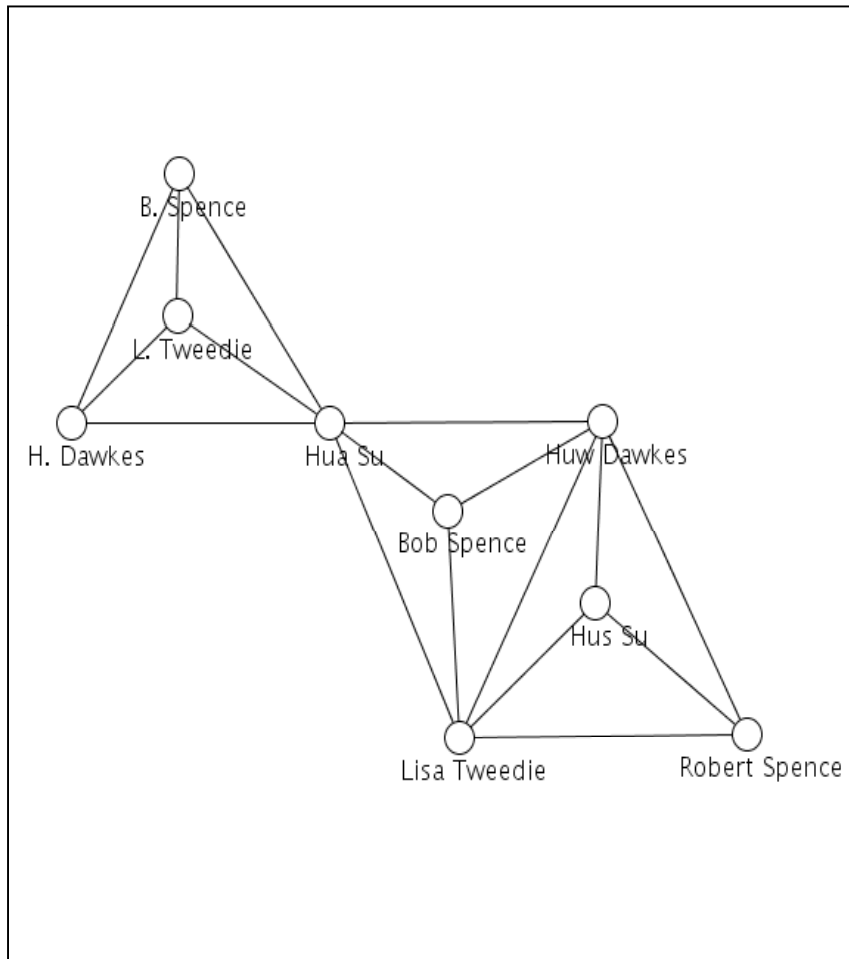


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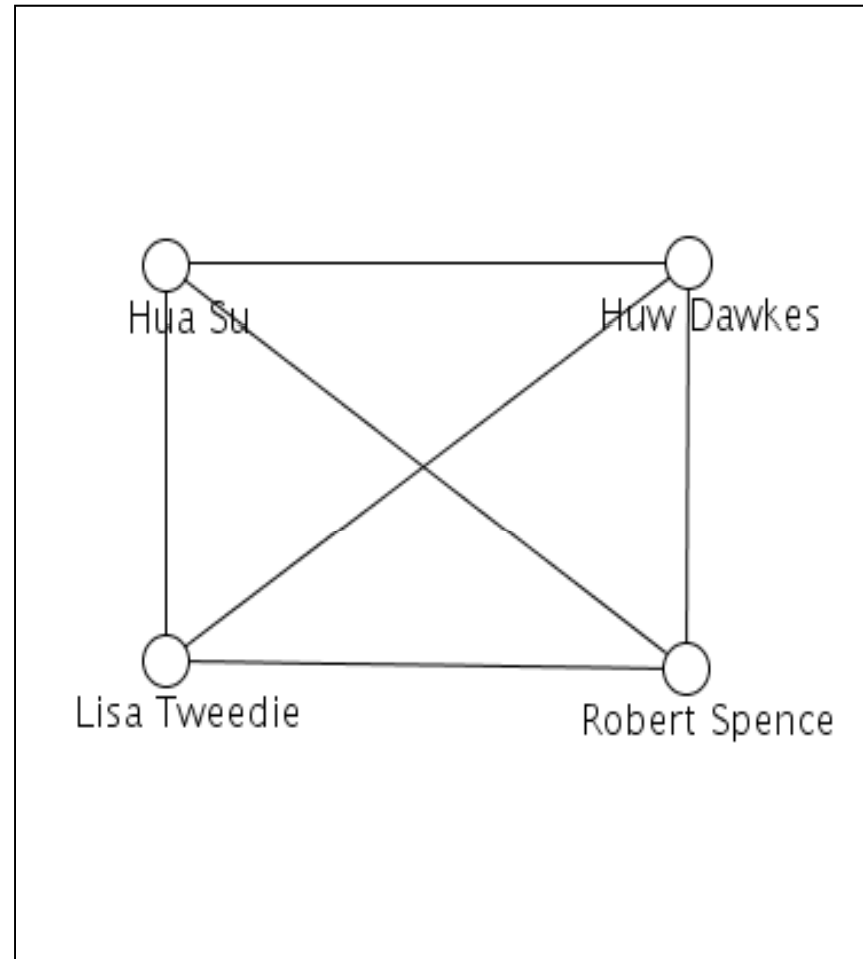
# #1: PITFALL



# InfoVis Co-Author Network Fragment



before



after

# IP Aliasing Problem [Willinger et al. 2009]

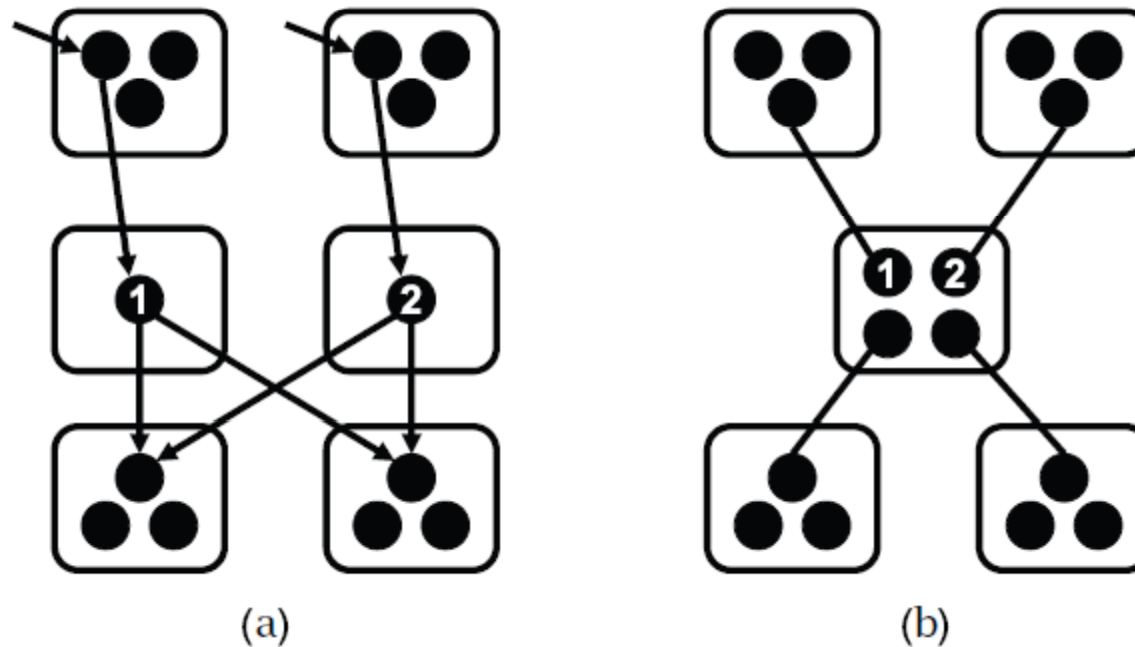


Figure 2. The IP alias resolution problem. Paraphrasing Fig. 4 of [50], traceroute does not list routers (boxes) along paths but IP addresses of input interfaces (circles), and alias resolution refers to the correct mapping of interfaces to routers to reveal the actual topology. In the case where interfaces 1 and 2 are aliases, (b) depicts the actual topology while (a) yields an “inflated” topology with more routers and links than the real one.

# IP Aliasing Problem [Willinger et al. 2009]

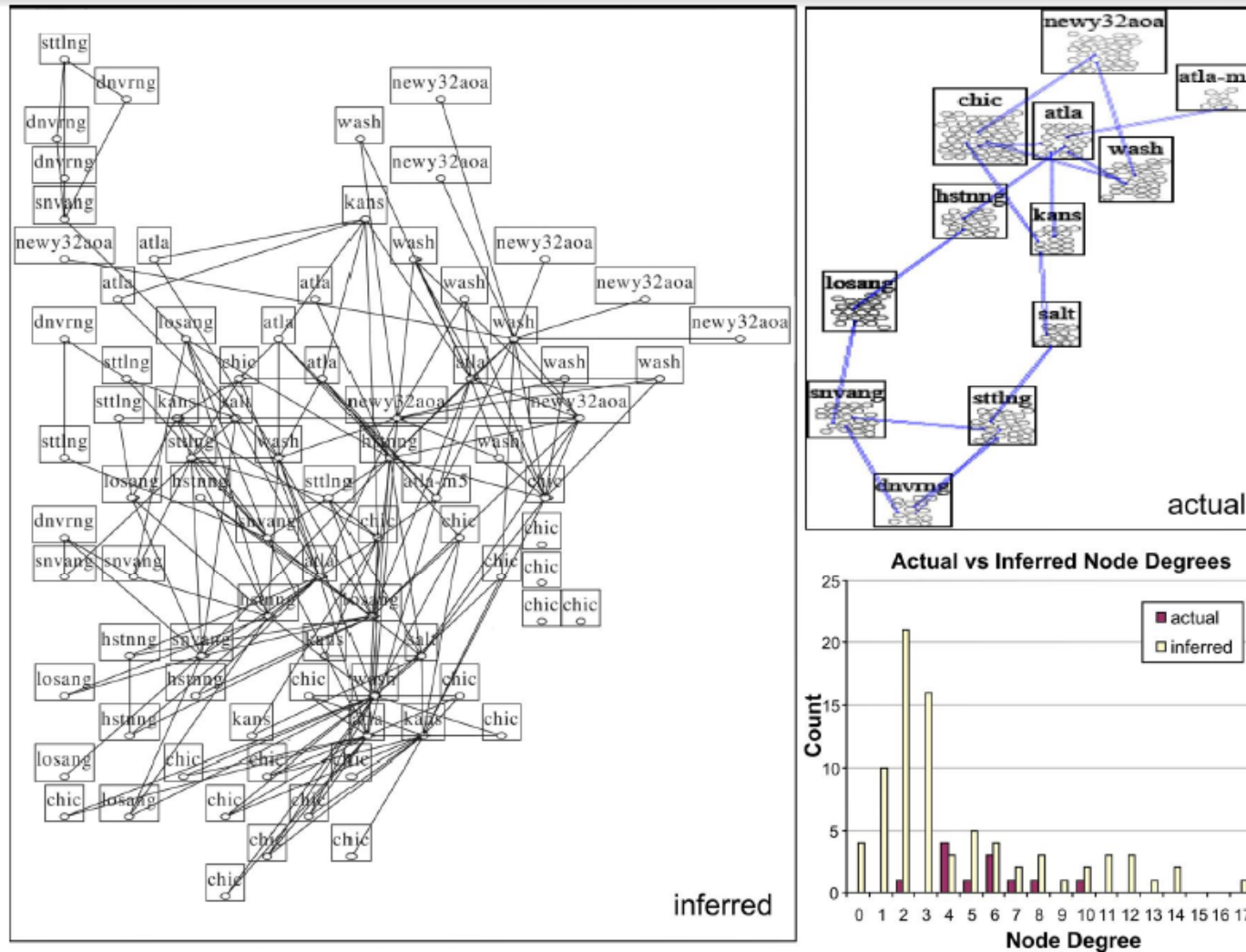


Figure 3. The IP alias resolution problem in practice. This is re-produced from [48] and shows a comparison between the Abilene/Internet2 topology inferred by Rocketfuel (left) and the actual topology (top right). Rectangles represent routers with interior ovals denoting interfaces. The histograms of the corresponding node degrees are shown in the bottom right plot. © 2008 ACM,

# ENTITY RESOLUTION



**Indrajit Bhattacharya**

*Collective Entity Resolution in Relational Data*, Bhattacharya & Getoor, Transactions on Knowledge Discovery & Data Mining (TKDD), 2007

*A Latent Dirichlet Model for Unsupervised Entity Resolution*,  
Bhattacharya & Getoor, SIAM Conference on Data Mining (SDM) , 2006







## #2: PARADIGM

# GRAPH IDENTIFICATION

Joint work with Galileo Namata



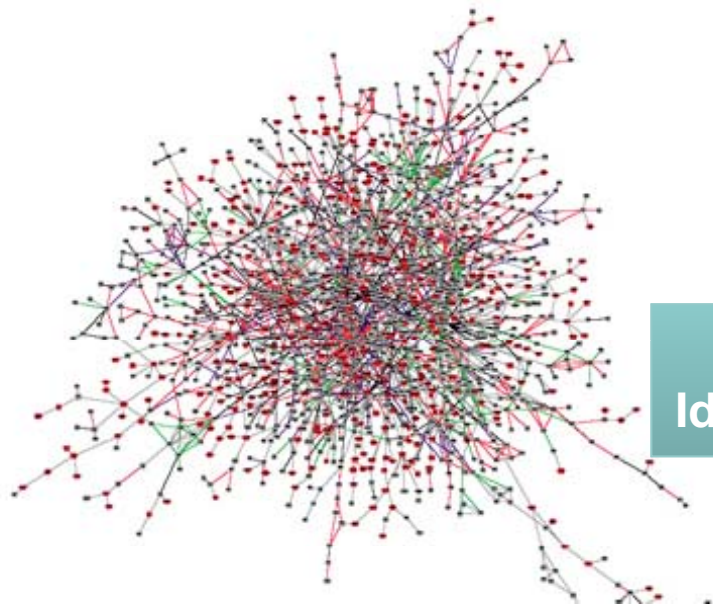
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## ● ● ● Wealth of Data

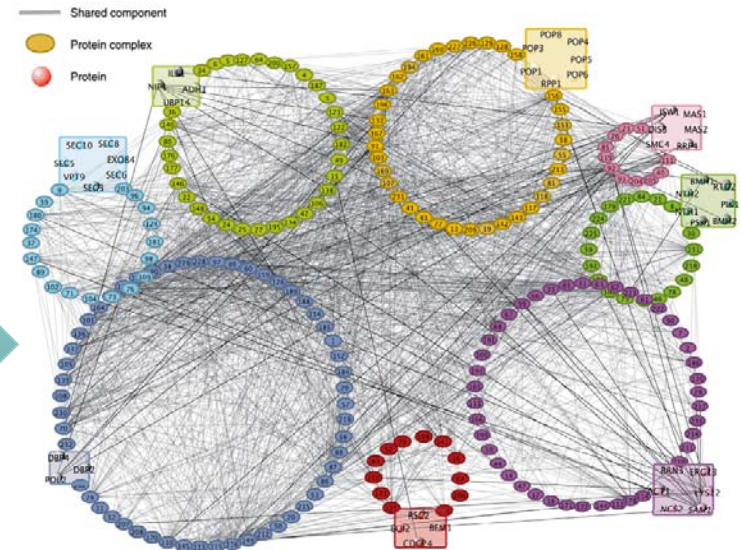
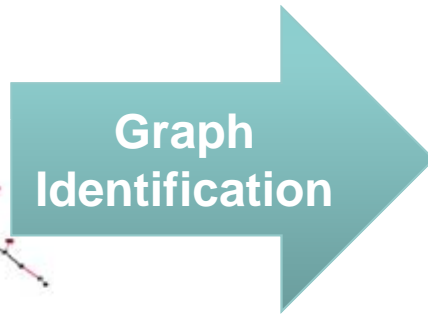
- Inundated with data describing networks
- But much of the data is
  - noisy and incomplete
  - at WRONG level of abstraction for analysis

# ● ● ● Transformation



**Input Graph**

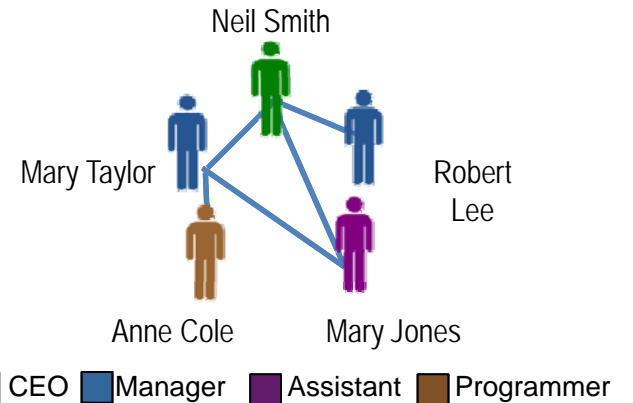
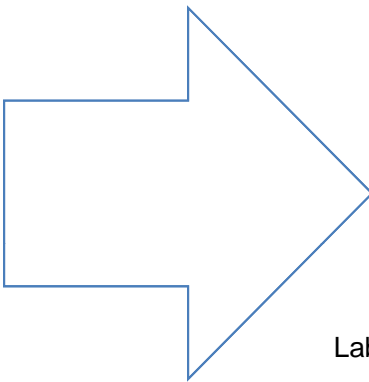
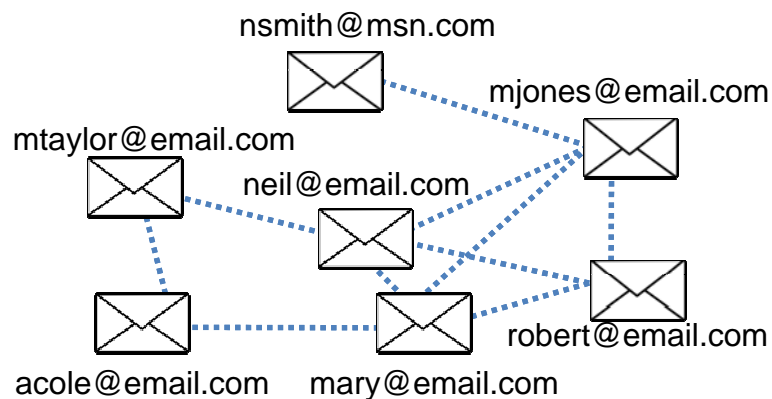
Available but inappropriate for analysis



**Output Graph**

Appropriate for further analysis

# Motivation: Different Semantics



- Resolve email addresses
- Infer edges
- Infer labels

## Observational Network

Nodes: Email Address  
Edges: Communication  
Node Attributes: Words

## Organizational Network

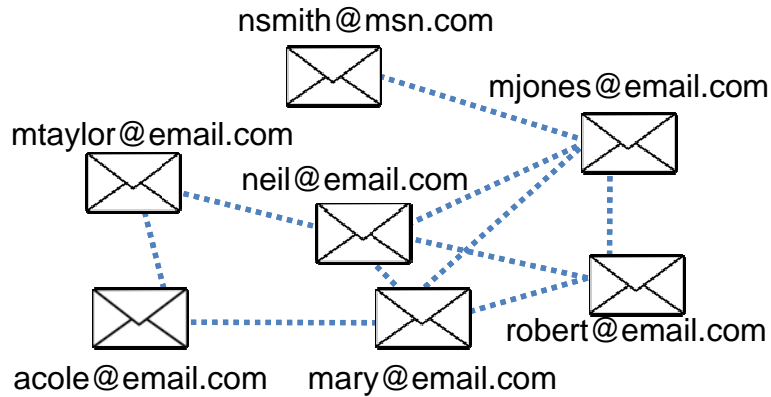
Nodes: Person  
Edges: Manages  
Node Labels: Title



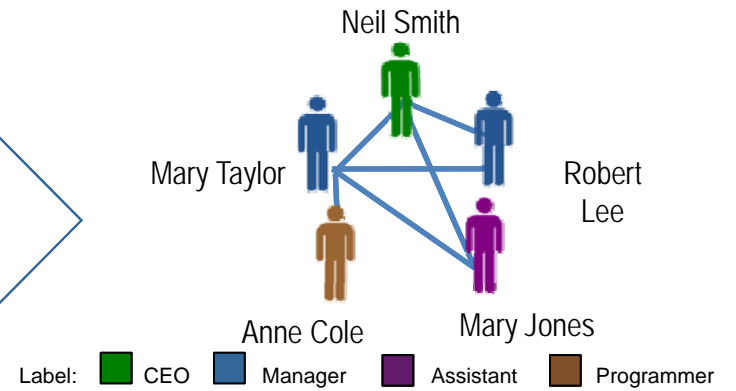
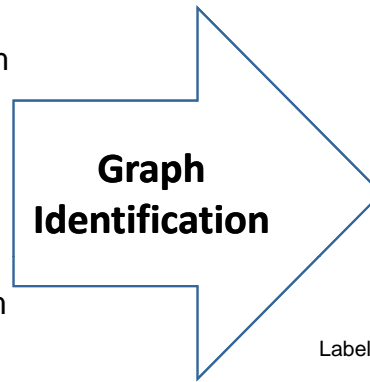
# ● ● ● Graph Identification

- Goal:
  - Given an **input graph** infer an **output graph**
- Consists of three major components:
  - **Entity Resolution (ER)**: Infer the set of nodes
  - **Link Prediction (LP)**: Infer the set of edges
  - **Collective Classification (CC)**: Infer the node labels
- Problem: The components are intra and inter-dependent

# Graph Identification

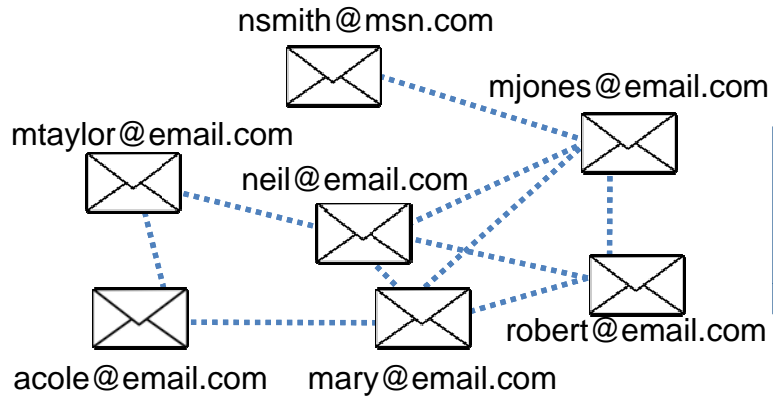


Input Graph: Email Communication Network

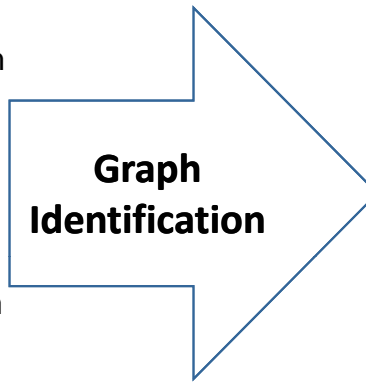


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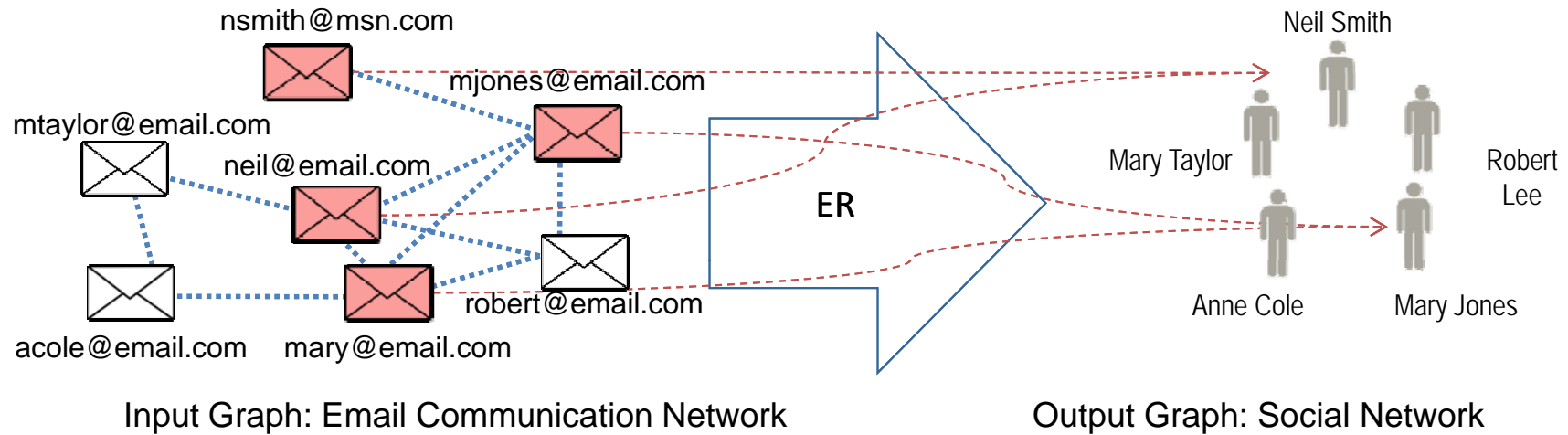


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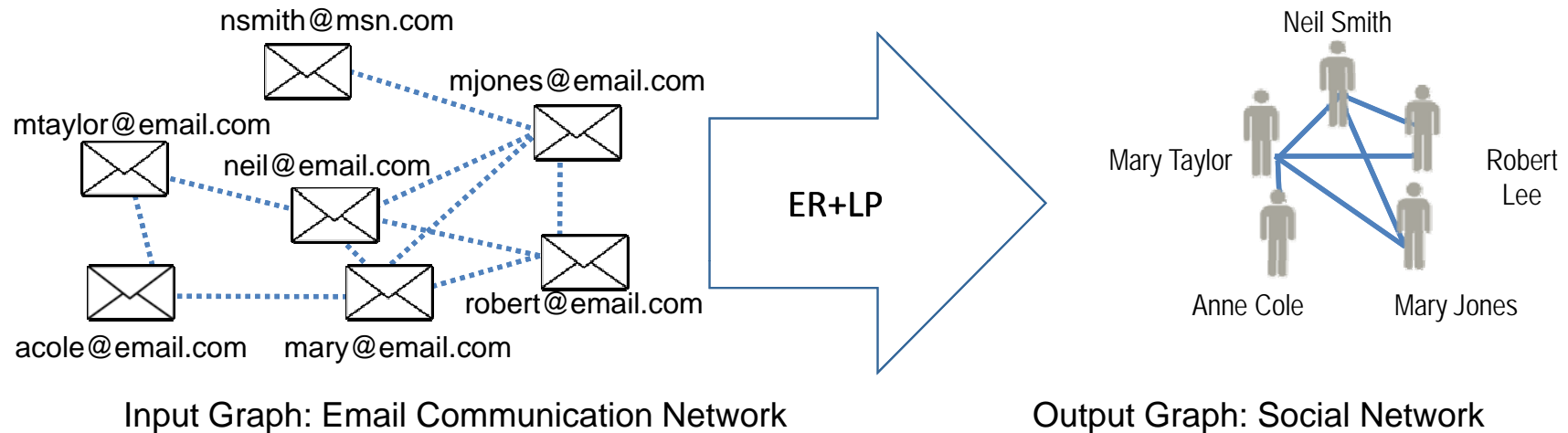
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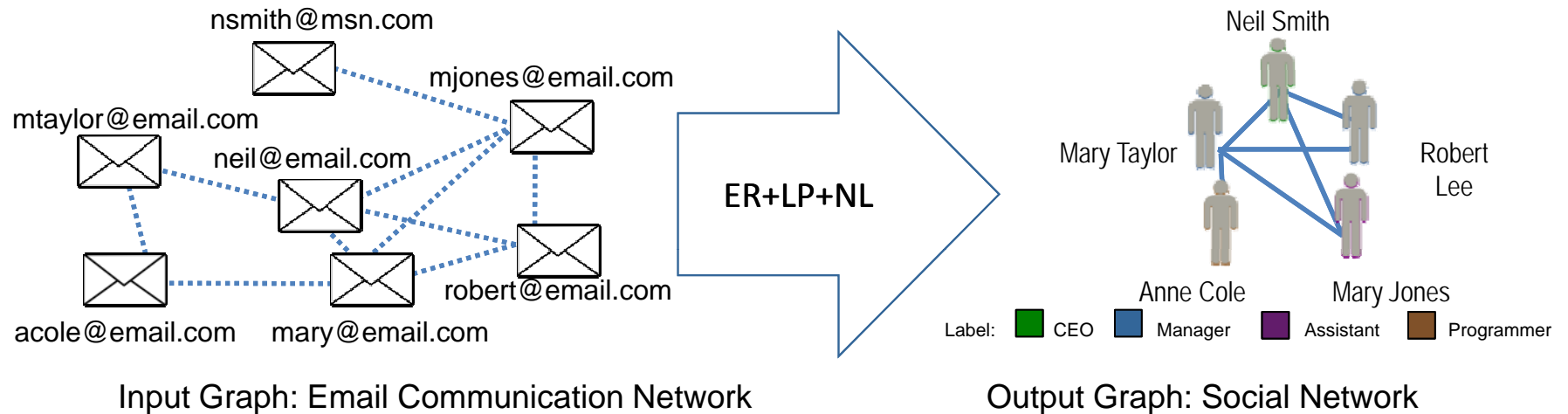


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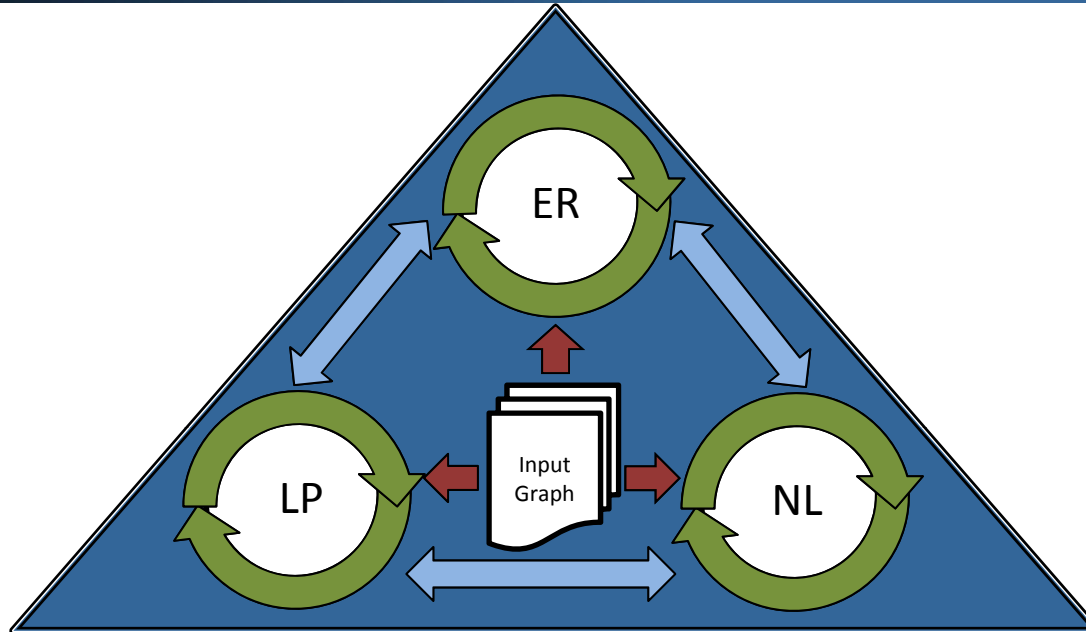
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- Entity Resolution (ER): Map input graph nodes to output graph nodes
- Link Prediction (LP): Predict existence of edges in output graph
- Node Labeling (NL): Infer the labels of nodes in the output graph



# Problem Dependencies

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- Most work looks at these tasks in **isolation**
- In graph identification they are:
  - Evidence-Dependent – Inference depend on observed input graph  
e.g., ER depends on input graph
  - Intra-Dependent – Inference within tasks are dependent  
e.g., NL prediction depend on other NL predictions
  - Inter-Dependent – Inference across tasks are dependent  
e.g., LP depend on ER and NL predictions

# Challenge

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- How to perform graph identification given:
  - Multiple diverse tasks involved
  - Large number of dependencies
- Solution:
  - Iterative approach using Coupled Collective Classifiers

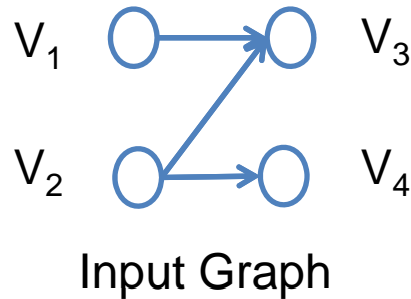
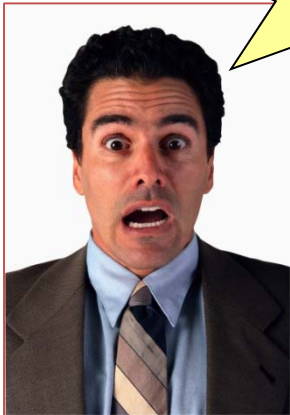
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# Problem Setup

- Random Variables:  $\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{r} \cup \mathbf{l} \cup \mathbf{n}$
- Entity resolution:  $\mathbf{r} = \{r_{ij}\}$ 
  - Binary variable  $r_{ij} = 1$  iff  $V_i$  and  $V_j$  are co-referent
- Link prediction:  $\mathbf{l} = \{l_{ij}\}$ 
  - Binary variable  $l_{ij} = 1$  iff edge from  $V_i$  to  $V_j$  in the output graph
- Node labels:  $\mathbf{n} = \{n_i\}$ 
  - Disjoint labels denoting the label of a node  $V_i$  in the output graph

Quadratic in number of nodes?



$\mathbf{r}$	$\mathbf{l}$	$\mathbf{n}$
$r_{12}$	$l_{12}$	$n_1$
$r_{13}$	$l_{13}$	$n_2$
$r_{14}$	$l_{14}$	$n_3$
$r_{23}$	...	$n_4$
$r_{24}$	$l_{41}$	
$r_{34}$	$l_{42}$	
	$l_{43}$	

# Problem Definition

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- Define a joint distribution over these random variables,  $\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{r} \cup \mathbf{l} \cup \mathbf{n}$

$$P(\mathbf{y}) = \frac{1}{Z} \exp \left( \sum_{c \in \mathcal{C}} \phi_c(\mathbf{y}_c) \right)$$

- Represent as a log linear combination

$$P(\mathbf{y}) = \frac{1}{Z} \exp \left( \sum_{f \in \mathcal{F}: \mathbf{y} \in \mathbf{y}_f} \mathbf{w}_f \cdot \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{y}_f) \right)$$

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Intractable!!!

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# C<sup>3</sup> Approach

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- We perform inference by:
  - Using a two-tiered iterative approach based on approximation:

$$P(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{l}, \mathbf{n} \mid \mathbf{x}) \approx \left( \prod_{r \in \mathbf{r}} P(r \mid \mathbf{y} \setminus r, \mathbf{x}) \right) \left( \prod_{l \in \mathbf{l}} P(l \mid \mathbf{y} \setminus l, \mathbf{x}) \right) \left( \prod_{n \in \mathbf{n}} P(n \mid \mathbf{y} \setminus n, \mathbf{x}) \right)$$
$$\approx \prod_{y \in \mathbf{r} \cup \mathbf{l} \cup \mathbf{n}} \frac{\exp \left( \sum_{f \in \mathcal{F}: y \in \mathbf{y}_f} w_f \cdot f(\mathbf{x}_f, \mathbf{y}_f) \right)}{Z(\mathbf{y}_f \setminus y, \mathbf{x})}$$

- Assume weights of the features across the tasks are distinct to use standard classifiers (e.g., SVM, logistic regression) for prediction within each iteration



# Feature Functions

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- Rich set of features supported
  - Attribute and relational similarity measures
  - Structural properties and path existence
  - Aggregates over set of values
- Local Features  $\mathbf{f}^{\text{local}}$ : computed based solely on evidence
  - e.g.,  $f_{\text{ER}}(V_i, V_j)$  = Cosine similarity of *observed* attributes of  $V_i$  and  $V_j$
- Relational Features  $\mathbf{f}^{\text{rel}}$ : computed based on inferred values within tasks
  - e.g.,  $f_{\text{NL}}(V_i)$  = Proportion of  $V_i$  *observed* neighbors with *predicted* label  $L$and among tasks (coupling the classifiers)
  - e.g.,  $f_{\text{NL}}(V_i)$  = Proportion of  $V_i$  *predicted* neighbors with *predicted* label  $L$



# C<sup>3</sup> Inference Variants

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- Basic Model (C<sup>3</sup>)
  - At each iteration, assign most probable value, recompute features. Repeat until convergence
- Simulated Annealing (C<sup>3</sup>-SA)
  - For iteration  $i$ , with probability =  $(i/\text{maxIteration})$ , assign to variables to most likely value. Otherwise, sample value from probability distribution.
- Cautious Inference (C<sup>3</sup>-CI)
  - At every iteration, commit only the top  $K = ((i/\text{maxIteration}) * \text{numPerTask})$  most confident values
- Gibbs Sampling (C<sup>3</sup>-GS)
  - Sample value from probability distribution. After “burn-in” period, count number of times each value is sampled for each random variable. Assign random variable to most frequently assigned value.
- Expectation Maximation (C<sup>3</sup>-EM)
  - Retrain relational classifiers at each iteration



# Evaluation

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- Evaluation using four real world datasets
  - Enron, Discourse, Cora, Citeseer
  - <http://www.cs.umd.edu/projects/lings/c3/>
- Email Communication and Social Network
  - Networks manually annotated from Enron dataset
  - Email Network: 211 email nodes, 2837 communication edges
  - Social Network: 146 person nodes, 139 managerial edges, 7 labels
  - Problem: Given email communication network, infer the social network
- Discourse Opinion Network
  - Networks from Somasundaran et al. (2009)
  - Co-Occurrence Network: 4606 opinion nodes, 22925 co-occurrence edges
  - Opinion Reinforcement Network: 4606 opinion nodes, 3920 objects, 1045 reinforcement edges, 3 labels
- Vary amount of annotations (Low, Medium, High)



# Evaluation

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- Citation Networks
  - Cora – 2708 paper nodes, 5428 citation edges, 7 labels
  - Citeseer – 3312 paper nodes, 4732 citation edges, 6 labels
  - Generate reference, link, and attribute noise
    - Vary amount of noise (Low, Medium, High)
  - Problem: Given noisy “extracted” network, infer the citation network
- Vary amount of annotations (Low, Medium, High)



# Algorithms

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- **C3**: using SVM with linear kernel for classifiers
  - Component of Graph Alignment, Identification, and Analysis (GAIA) software library <http://lings.cs.umd.edu/gaia>
- **LOCAL**: only the local features
- **INTRA**: relational classifiers using only features capturing intra-dependencies
- **PIPELINE**: relational classifiers in a pipeline
  - Perform tasks sequentially (evaluate all possible orderings)
  - **PIPELINE\*** results for the best performing order
- **MLN**: Markov Logic Networks (Richardson and Domingos, 2006)

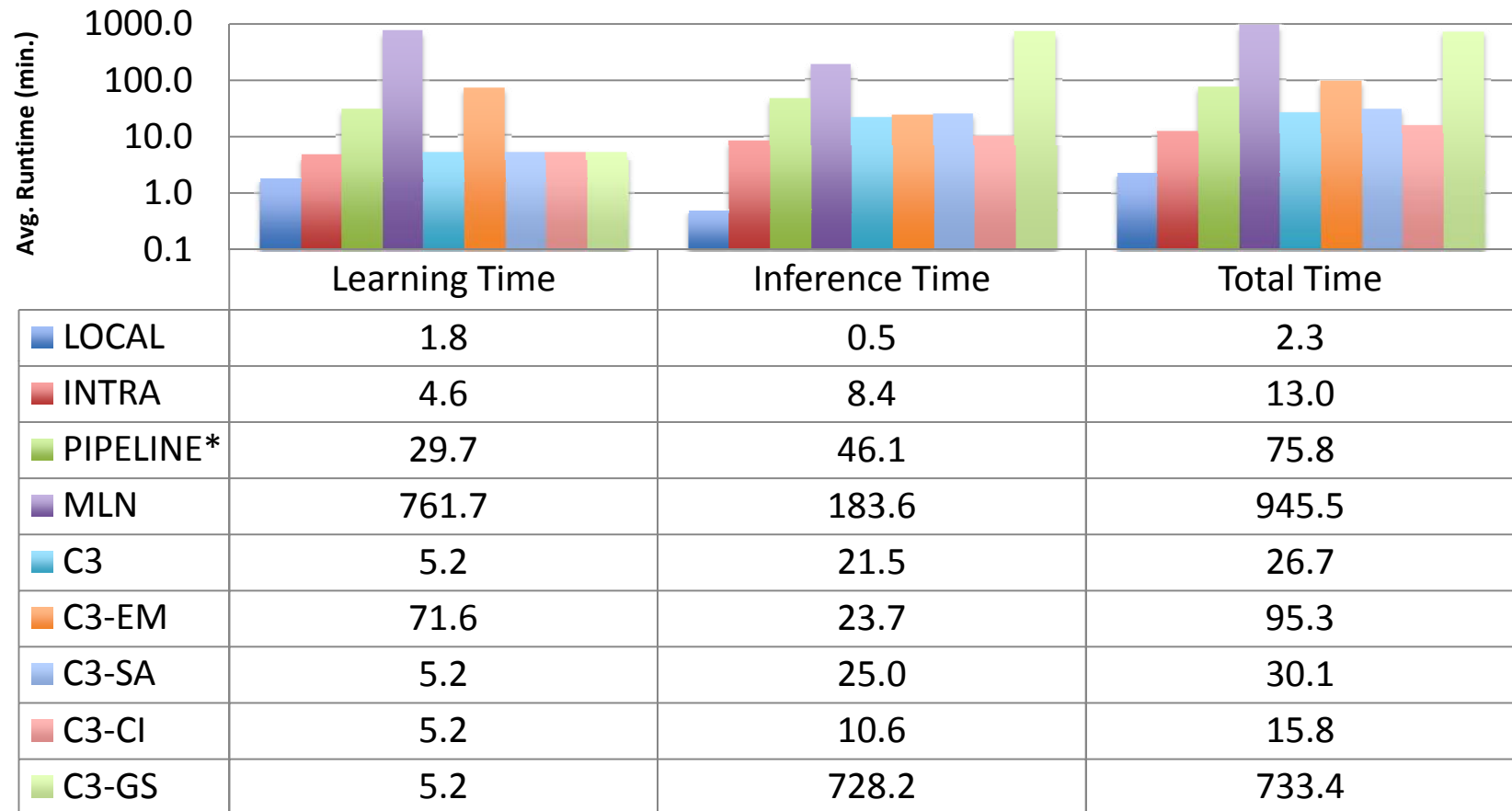


# Results (Avg F1 performance)

		Citeseer (Vary Noise Level)			Cora (Vary Noise Level)			Enron	Discourse
		Low	Medium	High	Low	Medium	High		
Low	LOCAL	0.800	0.736	0.657	0.827	0.756	0.645	0.425	0.361
	INTRA	0.843	0.792	0.745	0.900	0.854	0.798	0.516	0.648
	PIPELINE*	0.871	0.834	0.793	0.939	0.911	0.878	0.559	0.706
	MLN	0.677	0.673	0.663	0.570	0.560	0.591	0.137	0.320
	<b>C<sup>3</sup></b>	<b>0.882</b>	<b>0.853</b>	<b>0.819</b>	<b>0.950</b>	<b>0.928</b>	<b>0.899</b>	<b>0.550</b>	<b>0.729</b>
Medium	LOCAL	0.786	0.725	0.648	0.821	0.747	0.639	0.363	0.309
	INTRA	0.833	0.782	0.730	0.889	0.840	0.778	0.465	0.545
	PIPELINE*	0.853	0.816	0.768	0.921	0.888	0.849	0.509	0.604
	MLN	0.425	0.534	0.563	0.456	0.519	0.470	0.143	0.217
	<b>C<sup>3</sup></b>	<b>0.861</b>	<b>0.828</b>	<b>0.782</b>	<b>0.934</b>	<b>0.900</b>	<b>0.862</b>	<b>0.515</b>	<b>0.658</b>
High	LOCAL	0.775	0.716	0.633	0.800	0.734	0.626	0.398	0.232
	INTRA	0.816	0.770	0.708	0.868	0.816	0.741	0.448	0.351
	PIPELINE*	0.831	0.795	0.743	0.895	0.861	0.811	0.479	0.419
	MLN	0.216	0.222	0.228	0.190	0.211	0.216	0.096	0.143
	<b>C<sup>3</sup></b>	<b>0.835</b>	<b>0.801</b>	<b>0.750</b>	<b>0.902</b>	<b>0.869</b>	<b>0.819</b>	<b>0.479</b>	<b>0.483</b>



# Average Runtime Performance



- Average runtime (in minutes) over a set of Cora experiments
  - Number of random variables:  $|\mathbf{R}| \approx 70000$ ,  $|\mathbf{L}| \approx 35000$ ,  $|\mathbf{N}| \approx 5900$







# #3: VIEW

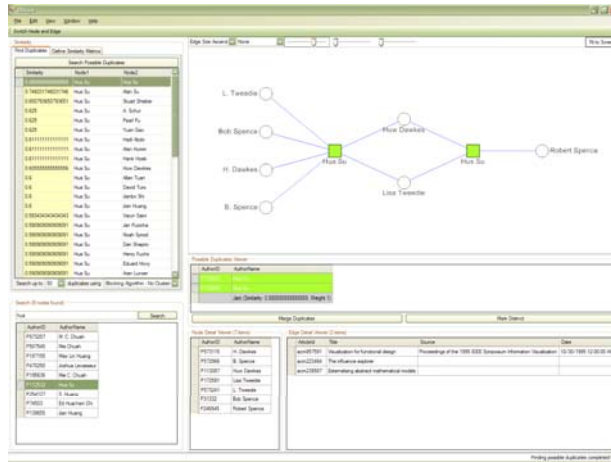
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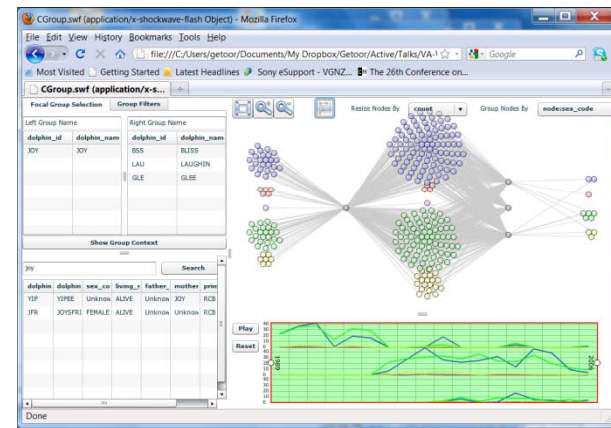
- Combining rich statistical inference models with visual interfaces that support knowledge discovery and understanding
- Because the statistical confidence in any of our inferences may be low, important to be able to have a human in the loop, to understand and validate results, and to provide feedback
- Especially for graph and network data, a well-chosen visual representation, suited to the inference task at hand, can improve the accuracy and confidence of user input



# Three Viz Tools



D-Dupe

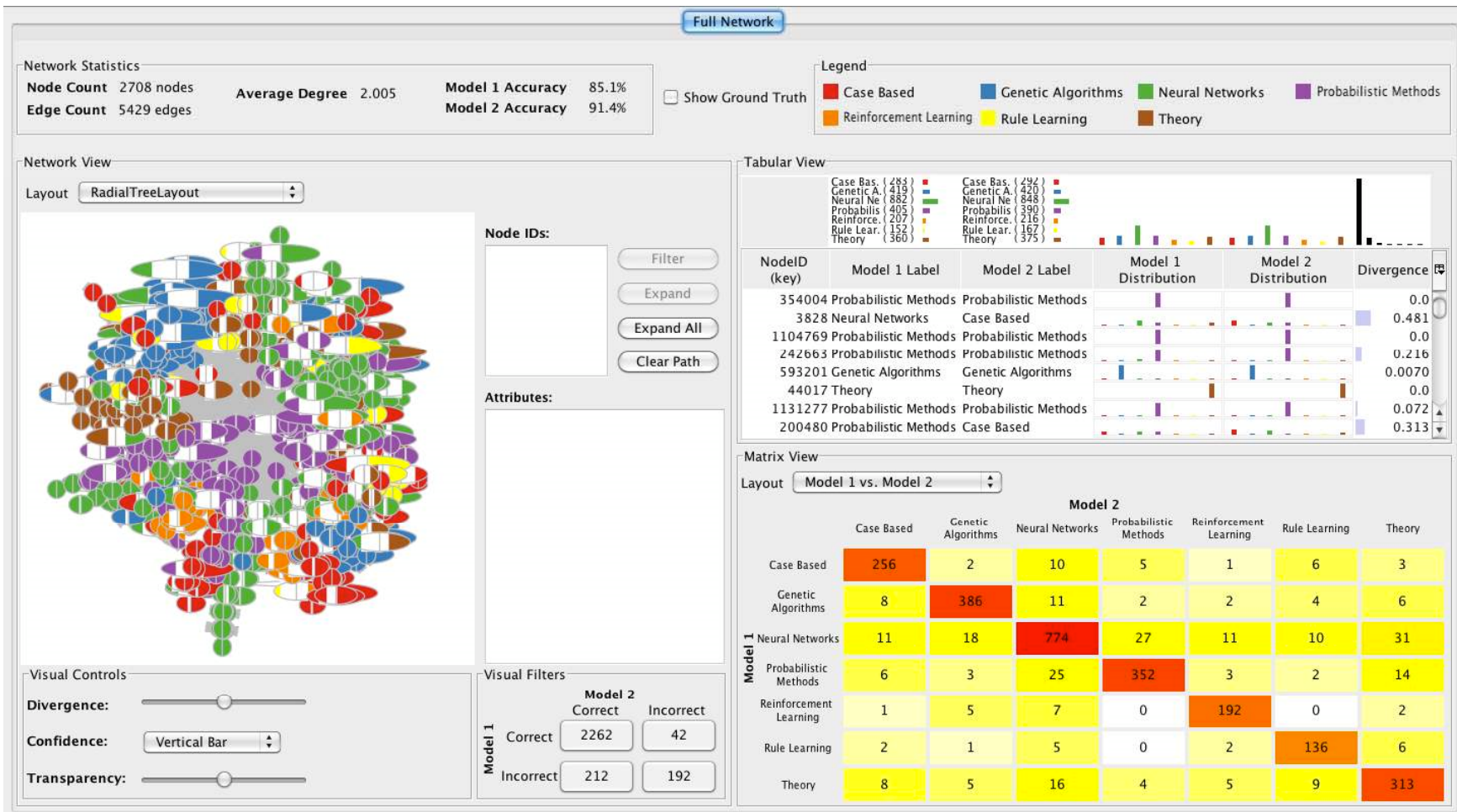


C-Group



G-Pare

# G-Pare: Comparative Analysis of Uncertain Graphs



**Visual Controls**

**Divergence:**

**Confidence:** Vertical Bar

**Transparency:**

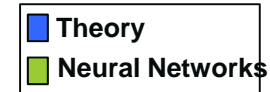
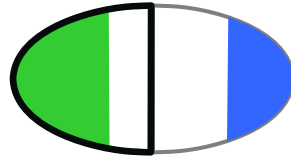
**Visual Filters**

		Model 2	
		Correct	Incorrect
Model 1	Correct	2262	42
	Incorrect	212	192

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# ● ● ● Node Visualization



- **Model 1 prediction: “Neural Networks”**  
**Model 2 prediction: “Theory”**
- **Model 1 is more confident in its prediction than Model 2**
- **Distributions of the two models vary significantly**
- **Model 1’s prediction matches the ground truth**

# Case Study: Citation Network

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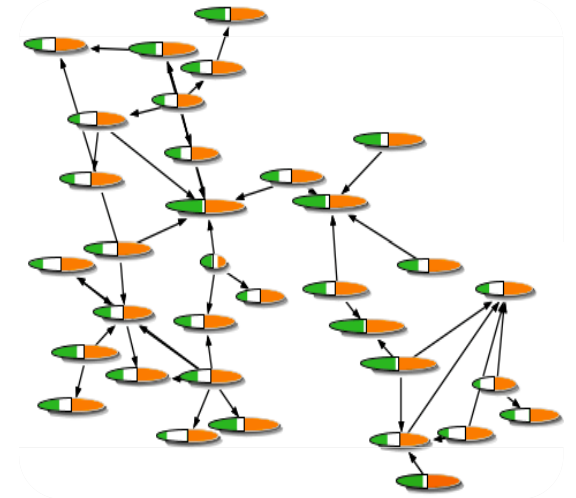
- Data set from Citeseer digital Library
  - 2120 publications with 3757 citation links
  - 3703 word vocabulary
  - Label indicating the topic of a paper
- Comparing two models for predicting the publication's topic
  - *Model 1* →(SVM) using only document content
  - *Model 2* →(Majority) using neighboring nodes' topics



# Case Study: Citation Network

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- Observations
  - Tabular view shows Model 2's predictions are skewed towards two topics
  - Network view shows large areas where the nodes are two-tone, where Model 2 is making the same incorrect prediction
- By filtering cases where Model 1 is correct and Model 2 is incorrect, we discover areas of flooding (propagation of error)



# Conclusion

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- **Pitfall:** Be sure that you are analyzing the right network!
- **Paradigm:** : Benefit in viewing analysis of noisy & incomplete data as statistical inference. **Graph Identification** is the process of inferring a 'correct' output graph from noisy input.
- **View: Visual tools** for comparative analytics are important for understanding and having confidence in models







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