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## Hyperbolic Graph Convolutional Neural Networks

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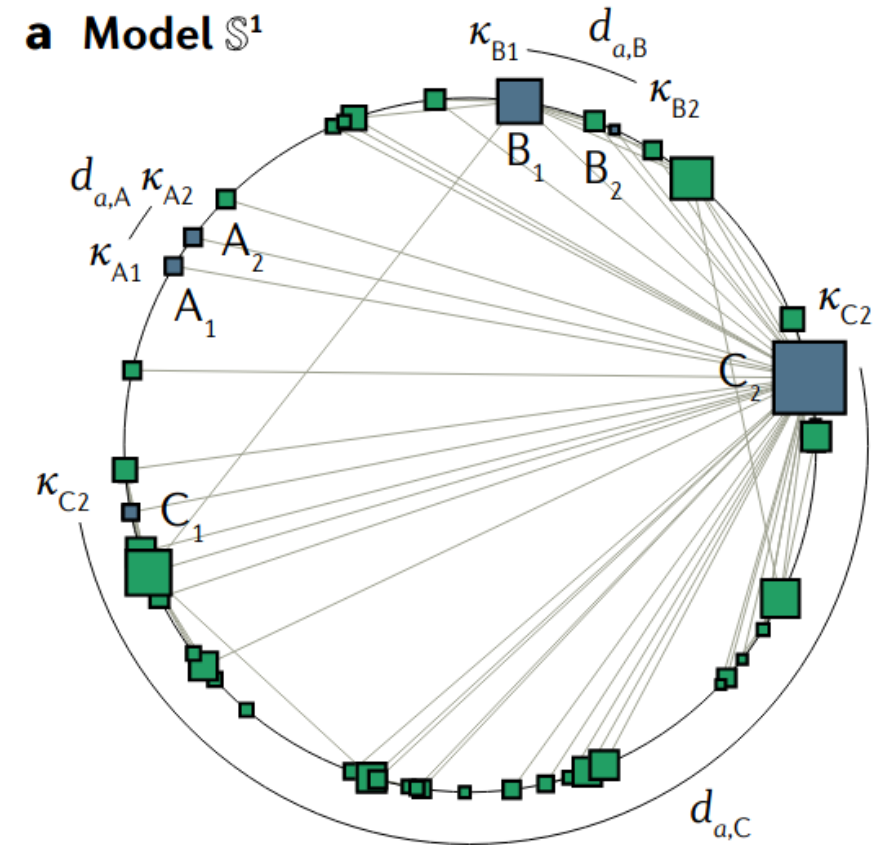
What is the „correct” hyperbolic dimension of real network?

# $\mathbb{S}^1 / \mathbb{H}^2$ model – overview

- Similarity space – circle of radius  $R$  ( $N = 2\pi R$ )
- Each node has a hidden degree  $\kappa$
- Probability of connection

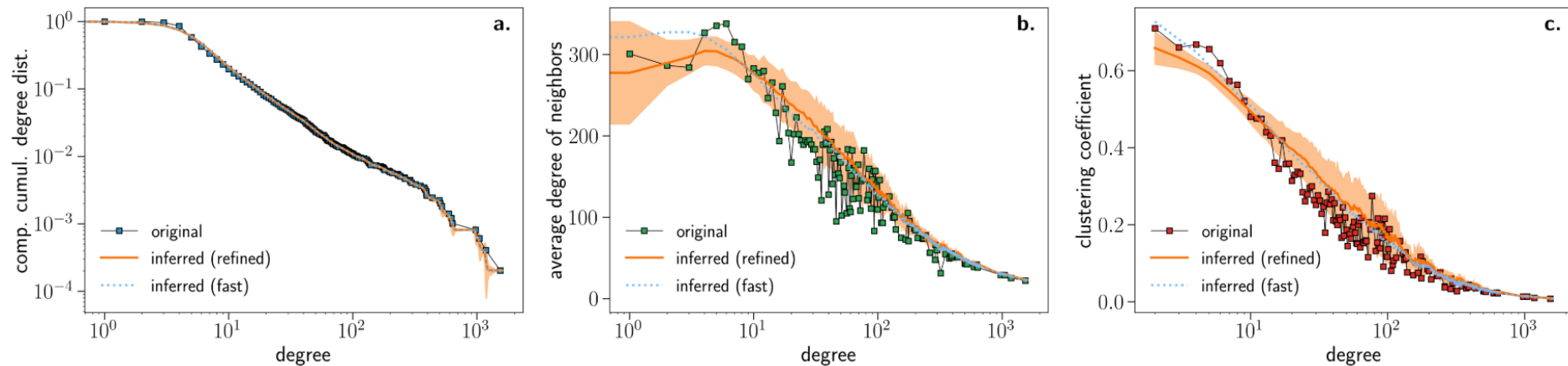
$$p_{ij} = \frac{1}{1 + \left(\frac{d_{ij}}{\mu\kappa_i\kappa_j}\right)^\beta}$$

- $\mu$  – controls average degree
- $\beta$  – controls level of clustering
- $d_{ij} = R\Delta\theta_{ij}$



# Advantages of $\mathbb{S}^1/\mathbb{H}^2$ model

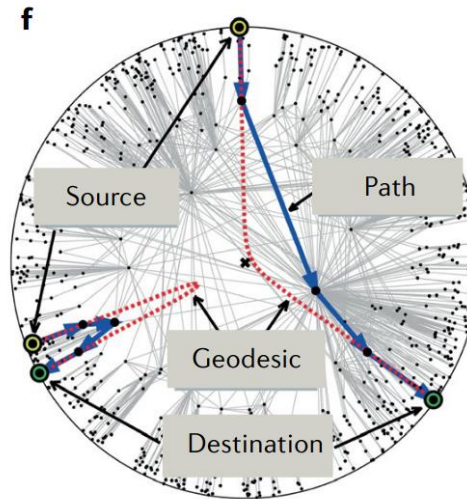
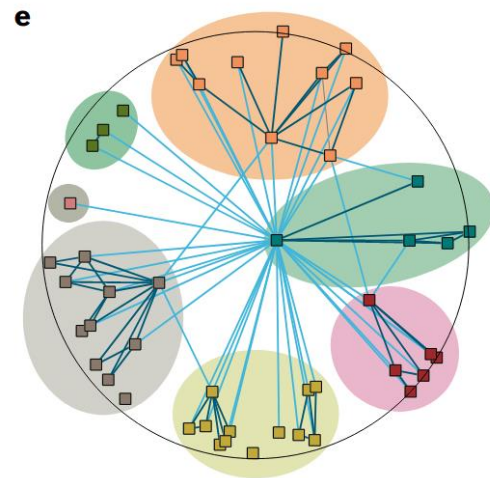
- Model explains typical properties of real networks
  - small-world property
  - heterogenous degree distribution
  - high level of clustering





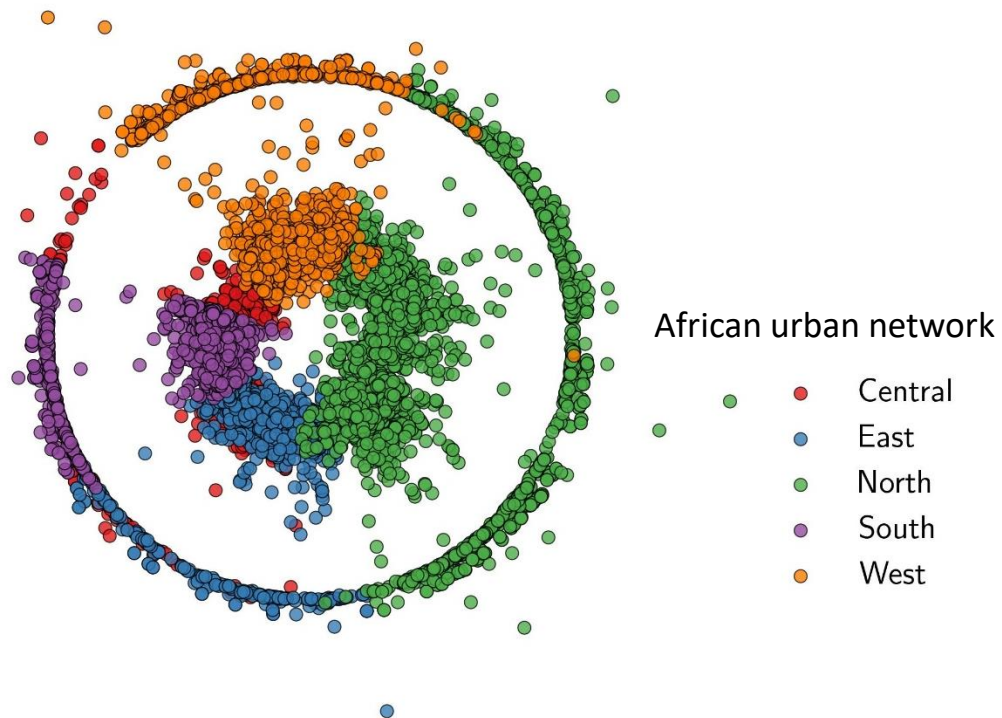
# Advantages of $\mathbb{S}^1 / \mathbb{H}^2$ model

- Embedding of real networks provides
  - efficient navigation
  - detection of communities
  - scale-down and scale-up network replicas



# Limitations of $\mathbb{S}^1/\mathbb{H}^2$ model

## 1. Overlapping communities

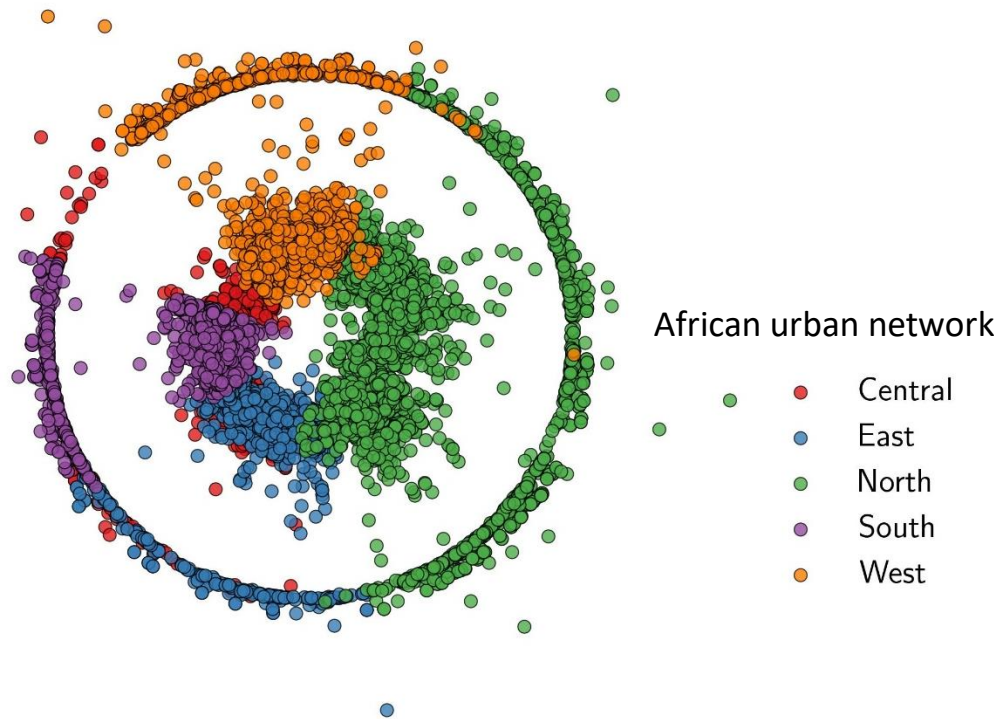


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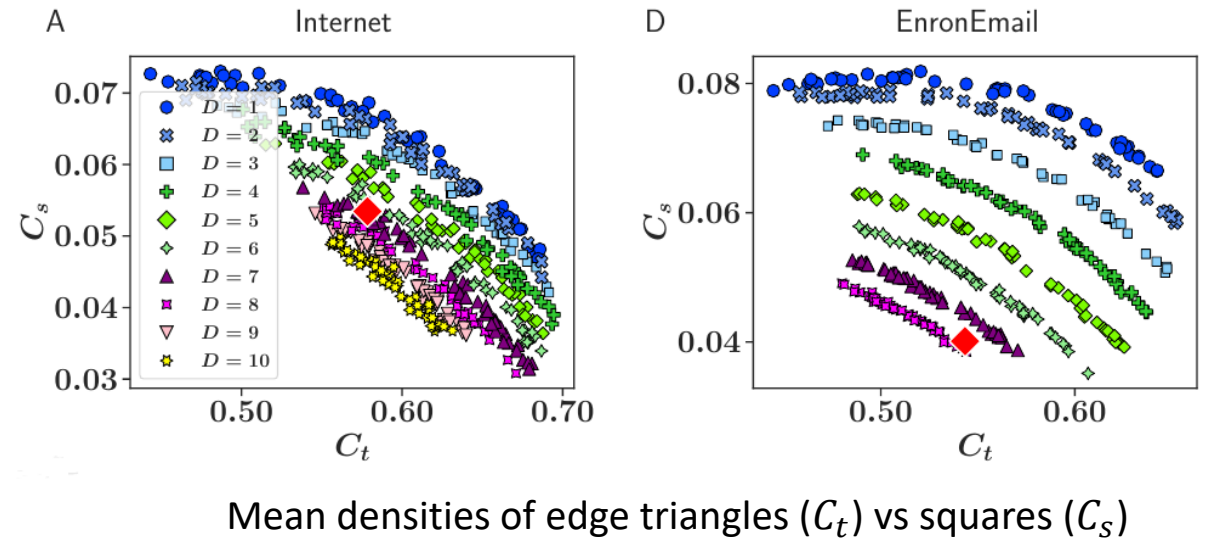
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## 1. Overlapping communities



## 2. Estimated dimension based on cycles statistics is usually larger than 1

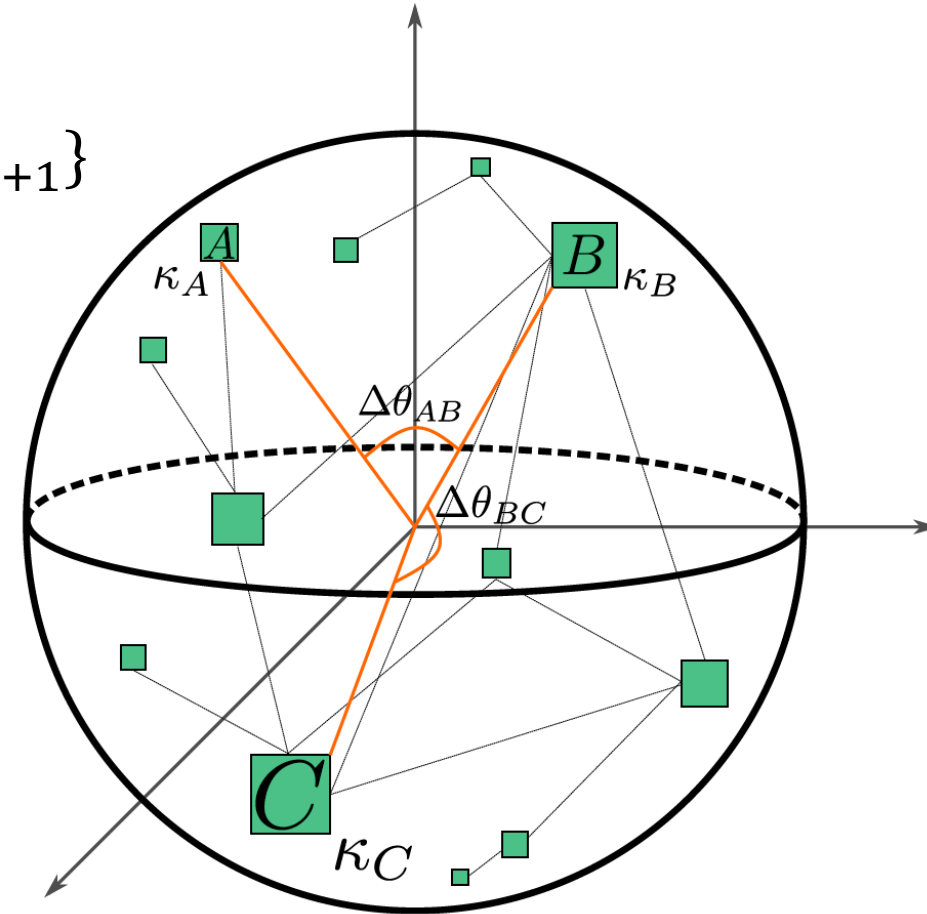


# $S^D / H^{D+1}$ model

- A node  $i$  is endowed with a two variables
  - Hidden degree  $\kappa_i$
  - Position in the similarity space  $\mathbf{v}_i = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_{D+1}\}$
- The connection probability between node  $i$  and  $j$

$$p_{ij} = \frac{1}{1 + \left( \frac{d_{ij}}{(\mu \kappa_i \kappa_j)^{\frac{1}{D}}} \right)^\beta}$$

- $d_{ij} = R \Delta\theta_{ij} = R \arccos \left( \frac{\mathbf{v}_i \cdot \mathbf{v}_j}{\|\mathbf{v}_i\| \|\mathbf{v}_j\|} \right)$



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# Outline of the method

1. Inferring the hidden degrees
2. Inferring parameter  $\beta$
3. Initial nodes' positions with Laplacian Eigenmaps
4. Final nodes' positions with Likelihood Maximization
5. Adjusting hidden degrees

# Inferring hidden degrees and parameter $\beta$

1. Initialize hidden degrees  $\kappa$ -s as observed degrees in the real network
2. Compute the expected degree for each node according to the  $\mathbb{S}^D$  model

$$\bar{k}(\kappa_i) = \frac{\Gamma\left(\frac{D+1}{2}\right)}{\sqrt{\pi}\Gamma\left(\frac{D}{2}\right)} \sum_{j \neq i} \int_0^\pi \frac{\sin^{D-1} \theta d\theta}{1 + \left(\frac{R\theta}{(\mu\kappa_i\kappa_j)^{\frac{1}{D}}}\right)^\beta}$$

3. Correct hidden degrees until  $\max\{|\bar{k}(\kappa_i) - k_i|\} < \epsilon$
4. Initialize mean local clustering for each degree class
5. Compute expected mean local clustering spectrum
6. Accept given value of  $\beta$  if  $|\bar{c} - \bar{c}^{emp}| < \epsilon_{\bar{c}}$ , otherwise adjust  $\beta$  and recompute hidden degrees.

# Inferring nodes' positions

- Laplacian Eigenmaps

- Entries in weight matrix defined as

$$\omega_{ij} = e^{-\frac{|\mathbf{x}_i - \mathbf{x}_j|^2}{t}} = e^{-\frac{2 \sin\langle\Delta\theta_{ij}\rangle}{t}}$$

$t$  – scaling factor,  $\langle\Delta\theta_{ij}\rangle$  – expected angular distance between nodes  $i$  and  $j$

- Likelihood maximization

- To adjust the positions that maximize the likelihood of the network being generated by the  $S^D$  model
- Select the most likely candidate positions

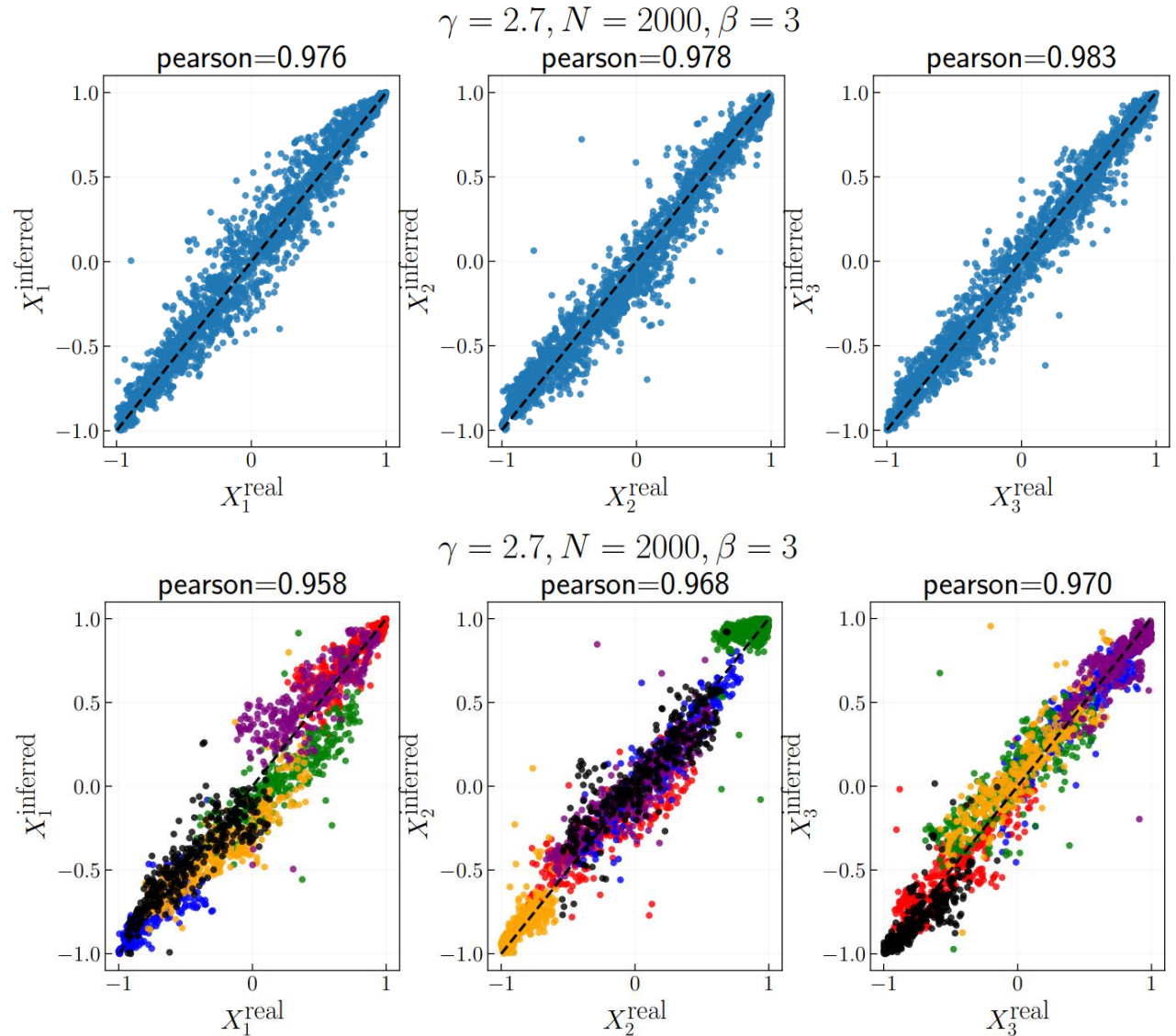
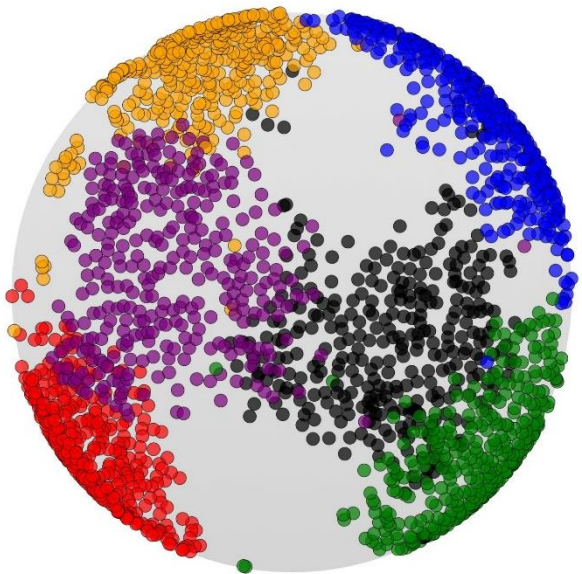
$$\ln \mathcal{L}_i = \sum_{i \neq j} a_{ij} \ln p_{ij} + (1 - a_{ij}) \ln(1 - p_{ij})$$



Results on synthetic networks

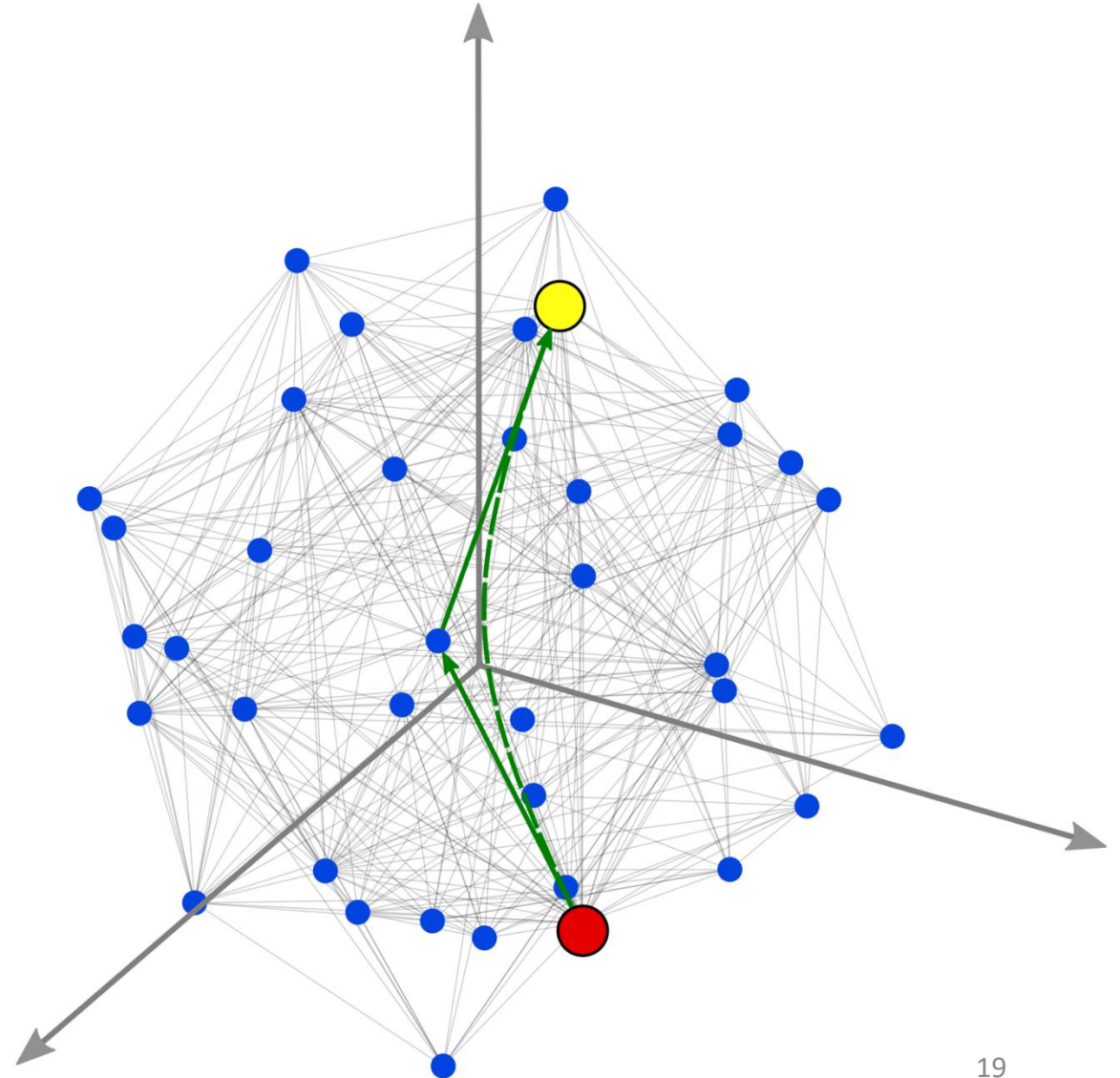
# Validation on synthetic networks

- Comparison between the original positions and the inferred ones in  $\mathbb{S}^2$  model
  - (top) without communities
  - (bottom) with 6 communities

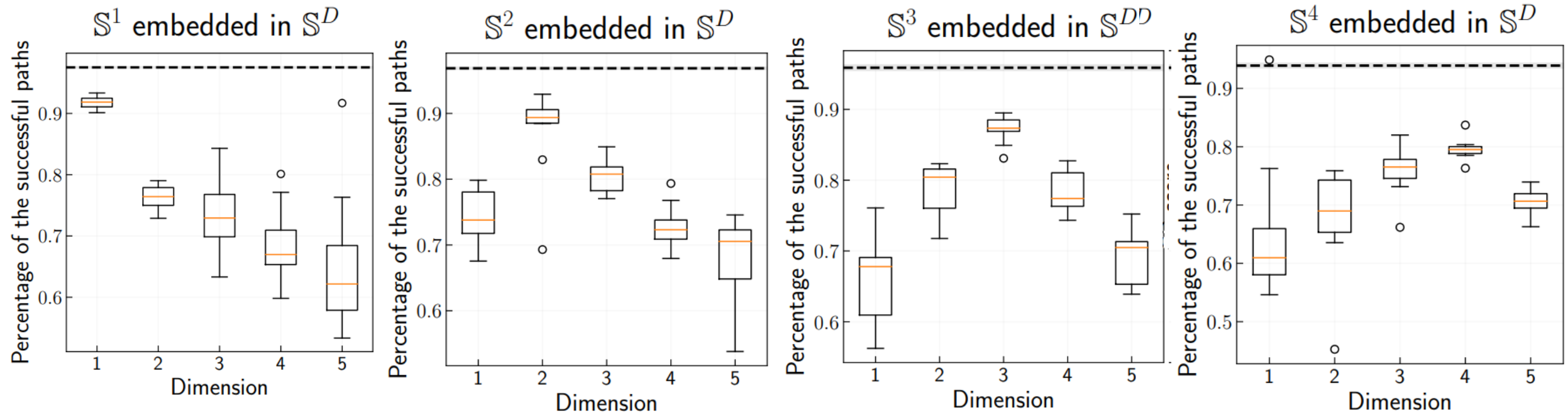


# Detecting the hyperbolic dimension of synthetic networks

- Navigation (greedy routing)
- Community detection



# Navigation – results

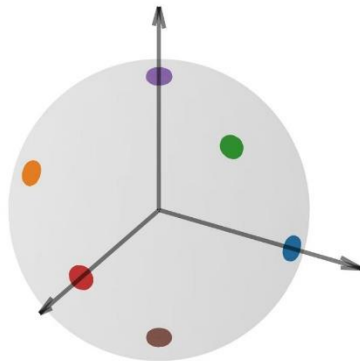


Synthetic networks with:  $N = 2000, \gamma = 2.7, \beta = 2.5D$ . Average over 10 realizations.

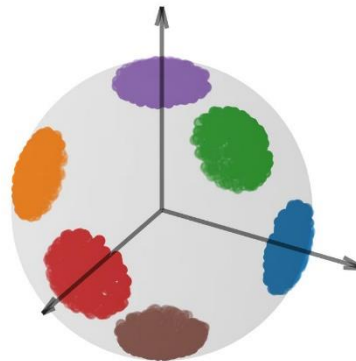
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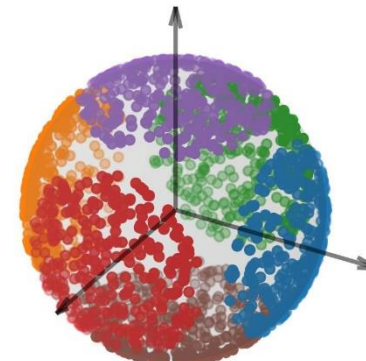
$$\Delta\theta_t = 0.05$$



$$\Delta\theta_t = 0.3$$

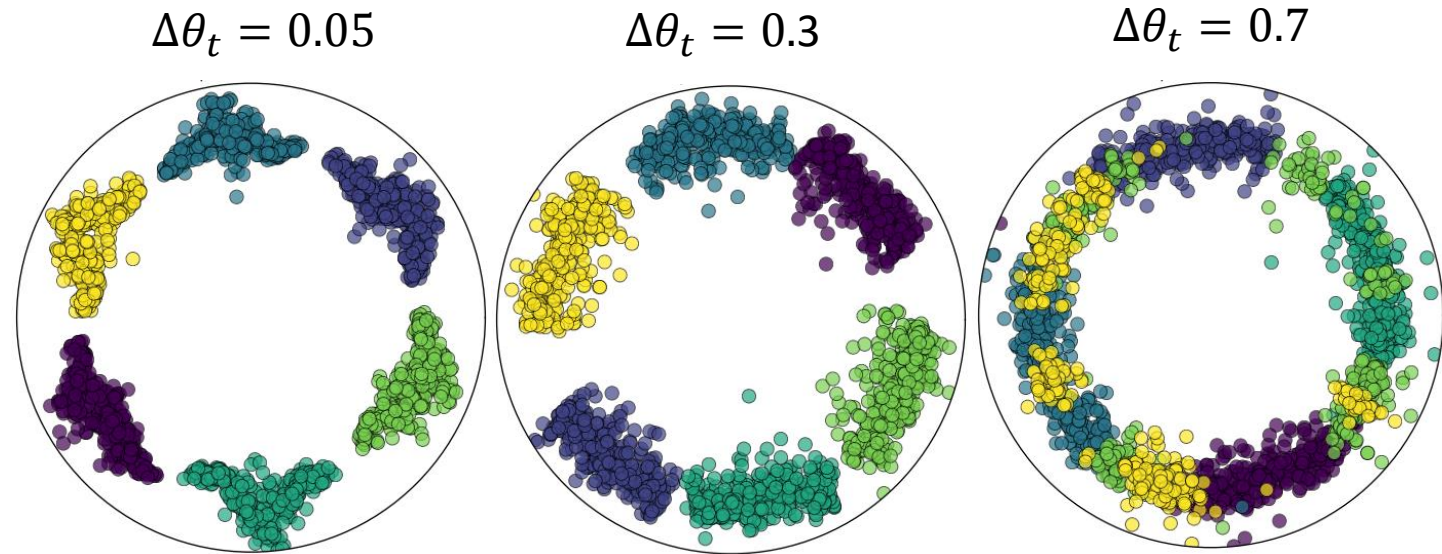
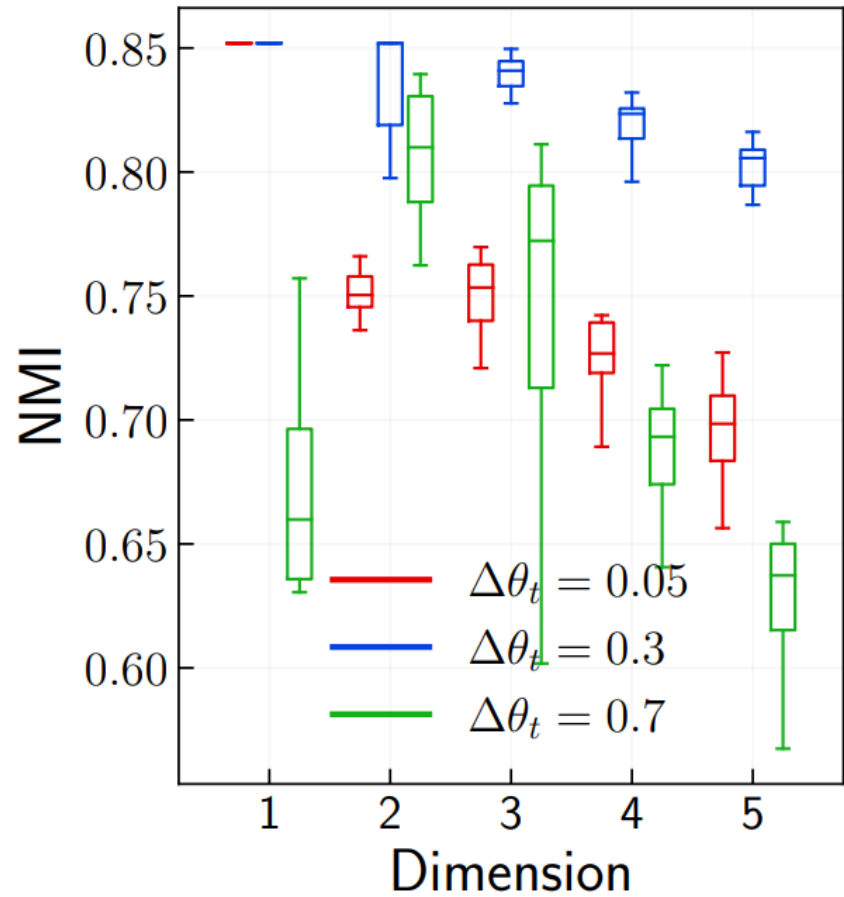


$$\Delta\theta_t = 0.7$$



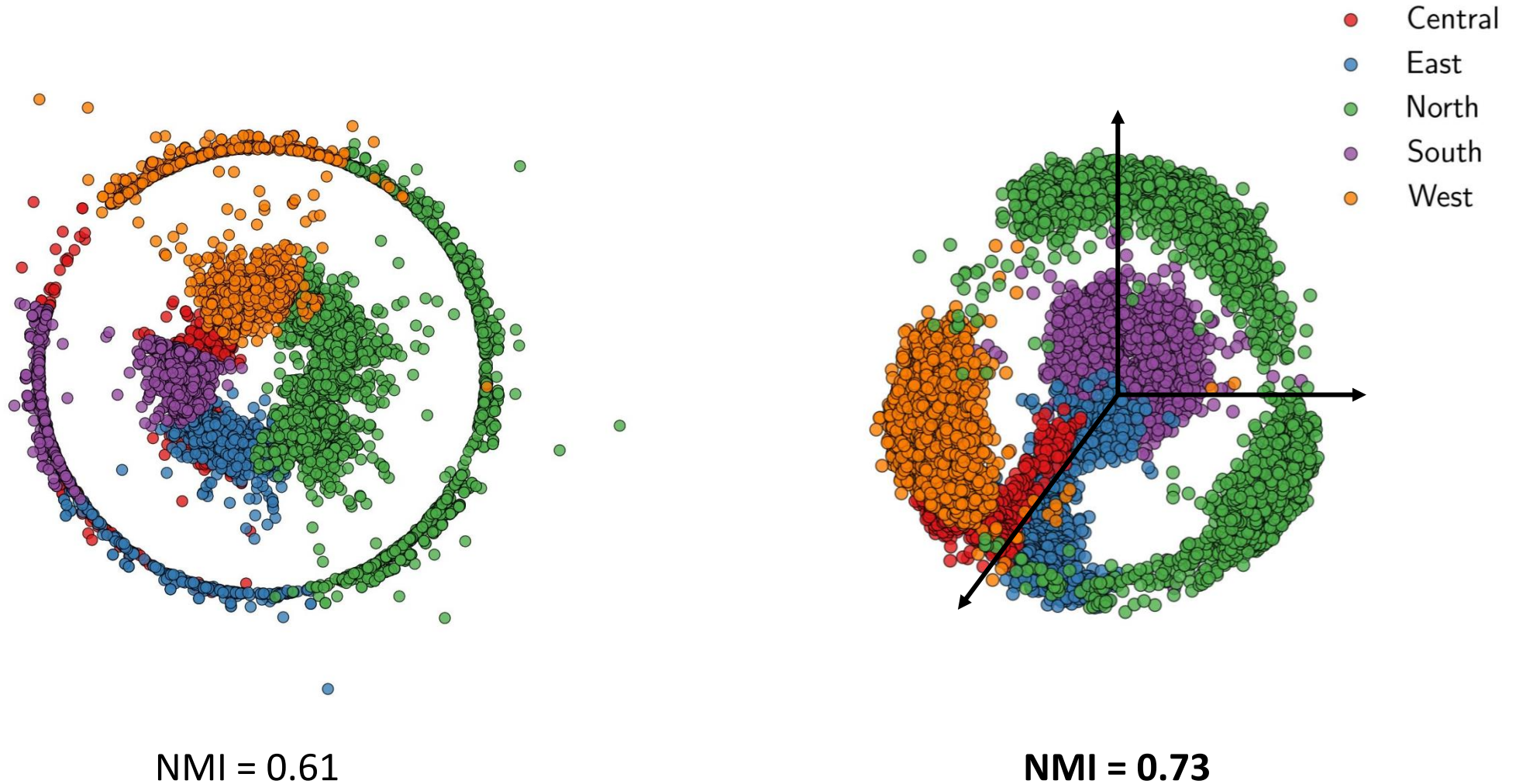
6 communities, nodes within each community are distributed uniformly

# Community detection – results



$\beta = 3, \gamma = 2.7, N = 2000$ , results averaged over 10 realizations

# African urban network – $\mathbb{S}^1$ vs $\mathbb{S}^2$



# Conclusions and further steps

## Summary

- D-Mercator:
  - a tool to embed networks into multidimensional hyperbolic spaces
  - gives meaningful maps of synthetic networks
- Navigation heavily depends on the dimension of synthetic networks
- Higher dimension helps to unravel the network community structure

## In progress

- Determine the intrinsic dimensionality of real networks

## Next goal

- What information does the additional dimension give us?
- How does dimension govern the dynamical processes?



# Questions?



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# Link between $\mathbb{S}^D$ and $\mathbb{H}^{D+1}$ model

- Hidden degree of each node  $\kappa_i$  can be mapped to a radial coordinate as

$$r_i = \hat{R} - \frac{2}{D} \ln \frac{\kappa_i}{\kappa_0}$$

- And connection probability becomes

$$p_{ij} = \frac{1}{1 + e^{\frac{\beta}{2}(x_{ij} - \hat{R})}},$$

$$\hat{R} = 2 \ln \left( \frac{2R}{(\mu \kappa_0^2)^{1/D}} \right)$$

- $x_{ij}$  is the hyperbolic distance and can be approximated by

$$x_{ij} = r_i + r_j + 2 \ln \frac{\Delta \theta_{ij}}{2}$$