



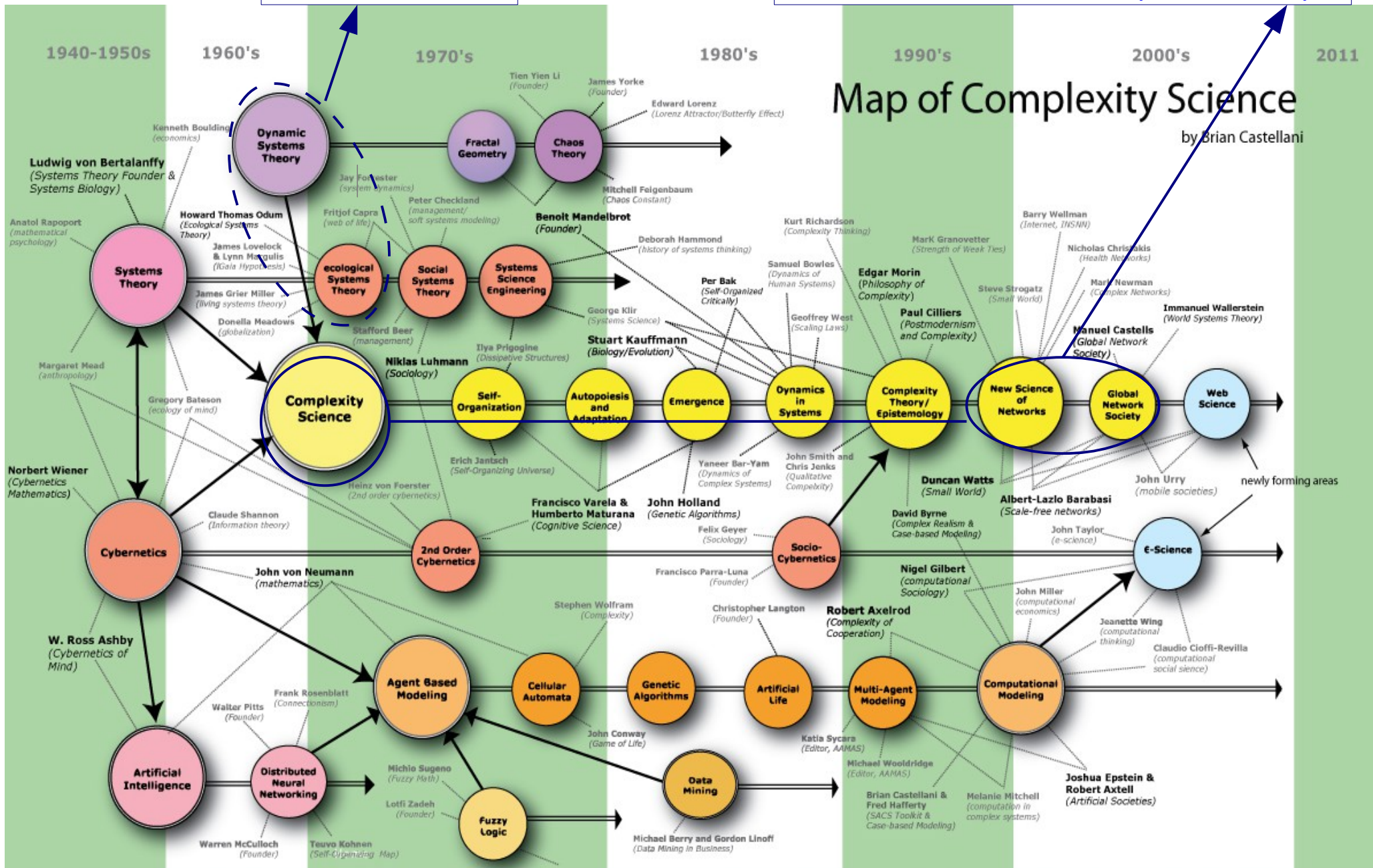
***Webinar. Anticipation and Complexity :
Foreseeing a New Paradigm of Human Development***

***Applying the Science of Networks to the Planetary
Food Problématique***

Raoul Weiler

1972 Limits to Growth

2012 Towards Grand Unified Theory for Sustainability



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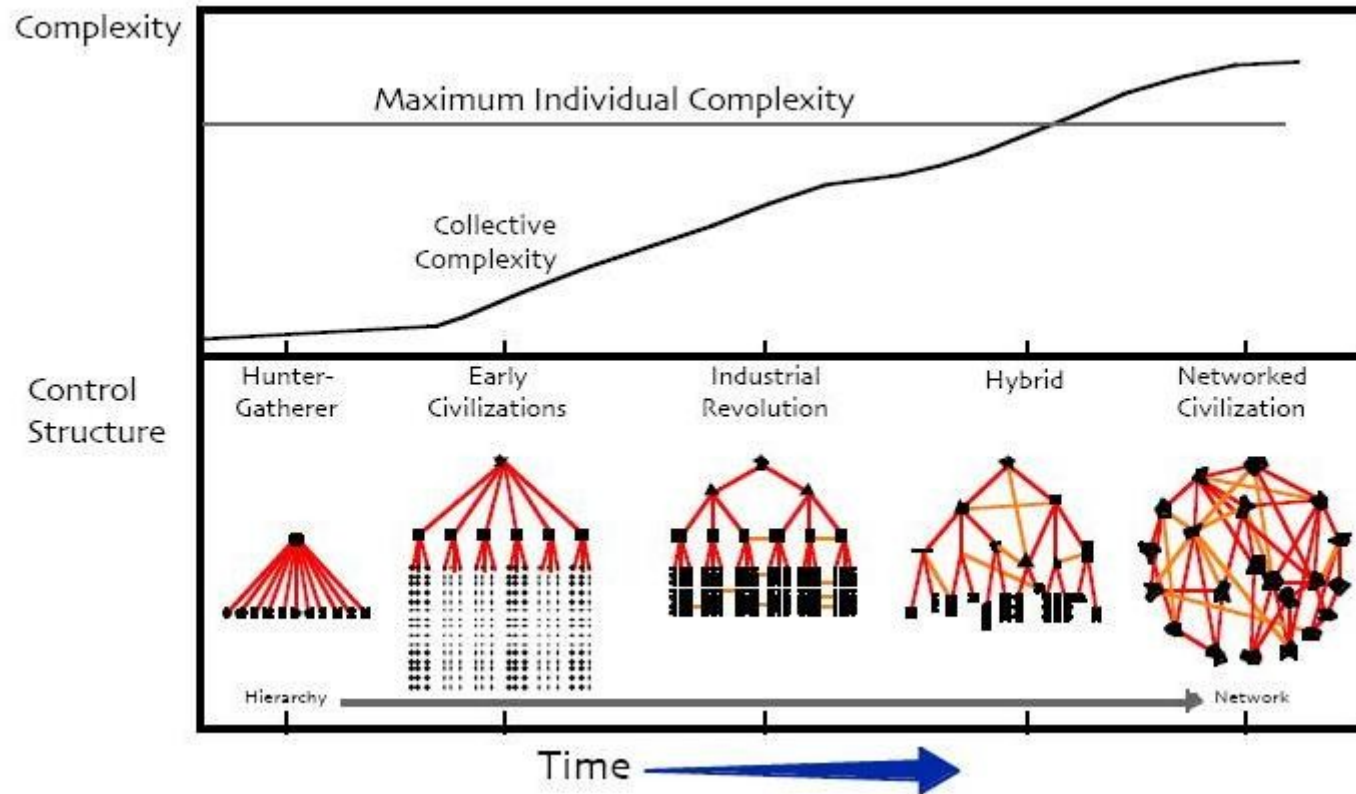
<http://wikipedia.org/wiki/Complexity>

RW. Blue lines are add-ons²

Expectations of Sciences of Networks & Complexity for better understanding of actual problems, and in the search new paradigms or solutions ?

- **Social Networks e.g. Facebook, Twitter etc**
- **Political discourse remains linear**
- **Governance large organizations UN**
- **Finance & monetary systems/networks**
- **Climate Change challenges need new methodologies**
- **Planetary Resilience /Sustainability issues**
- **Planetary food analyses : Demography, Climate Change**
- **Brain Research**

Positioning of Network Science in Civilization : quite recent!!



**Y. Bar-Yam. *Complexity Rising: From Human Beings to Human Civilization, a Complex Profile.*
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Kinds of Networks

- **Technological networks**
 - **Internet**
 - **Telephone network**
 - **Power grid**
 - **Transportation networks**

- **Social networks**
 - **Person relationships**
 - **Ego-centered networks**
 - **'Small world' networks**

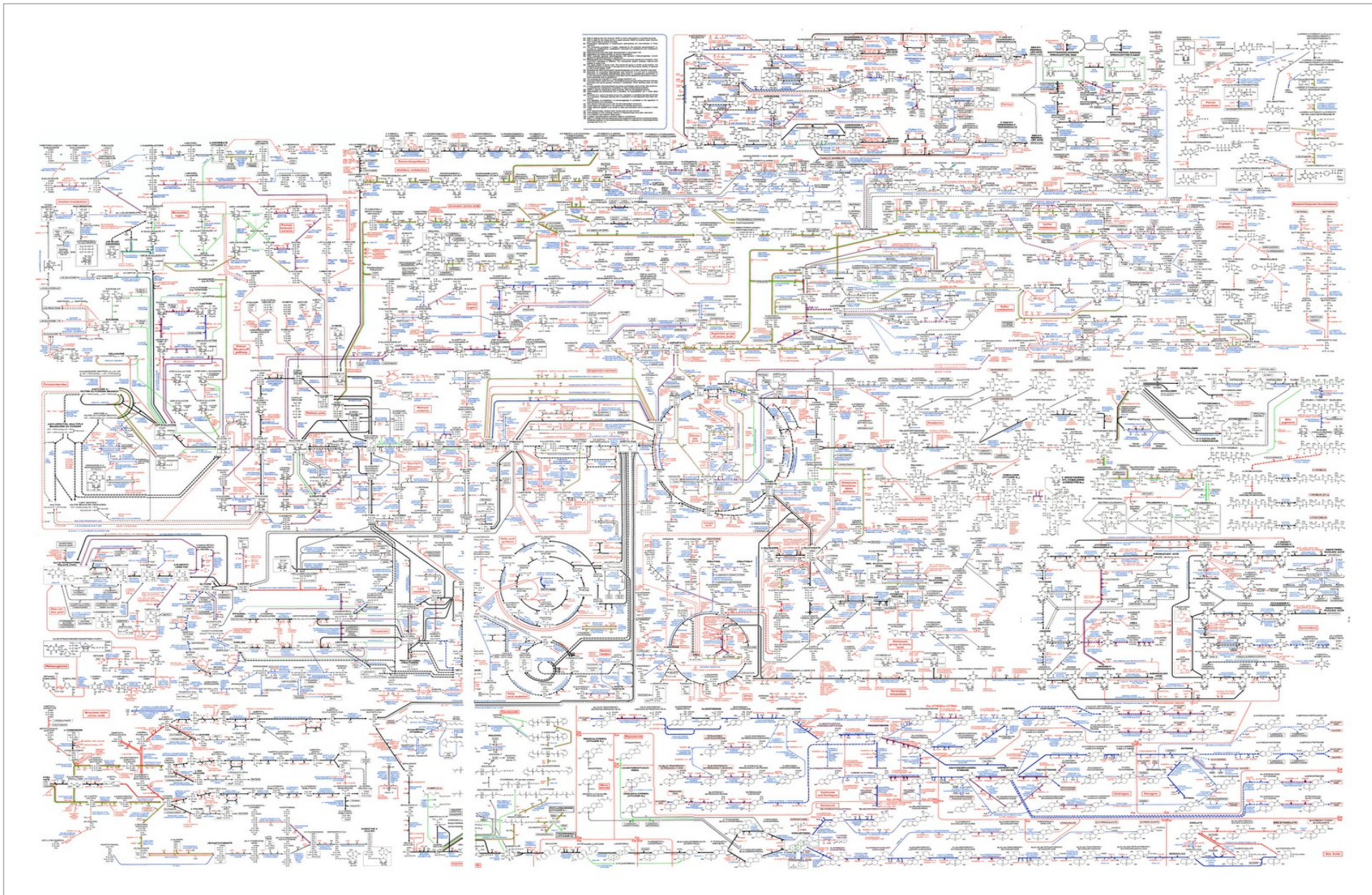
- **Networks of information**
 - **WWW**
 - **Citation networks [academic, biography, patents]**

- **Biological networks**
 - **Biochemical networks : Metabolic**
 - Protein-protein interaction**
 - Genetic regulatory networks**
 - **Neural networks**
 - **Ecological networks : Food webs**

Knowledge & Social Networks. [26th Jan 2015 Internet Governance in 2015]



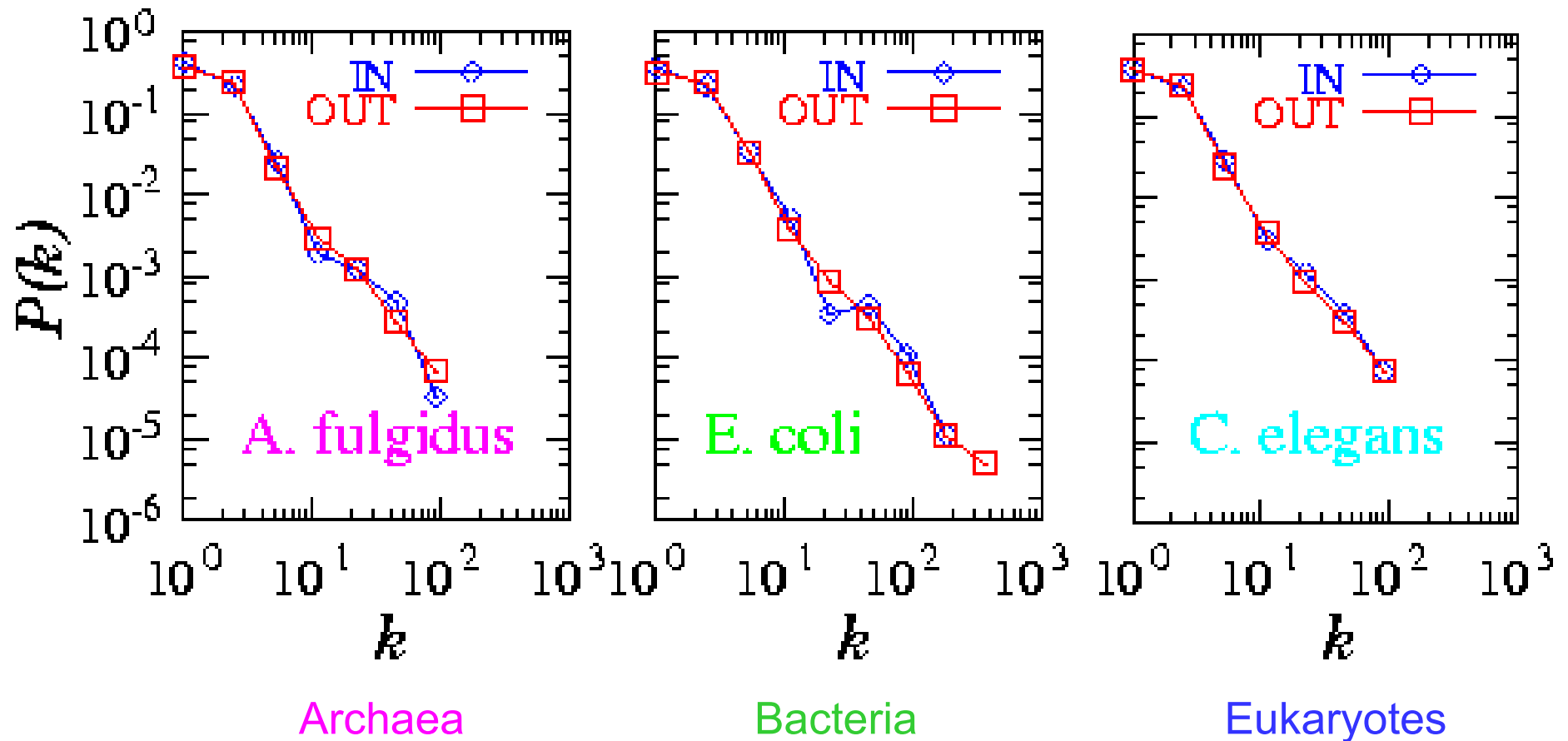
Graph representing the metadata of thousands of archive documents, documenting the social network of hundreds of League of Nations persons. Published in: Grandjean, Martin (2014). “La connaissance est un réseau”. Les Cahiers du Numérique 10 (3): 37-54.



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Metabolic network



Organisms from all three domains of life are **scale-free** networks!

Adjacency Matrix. Dendrogram

Crops production

C1 : Af Am Bwk Cfa Cfc Dfa Dwb

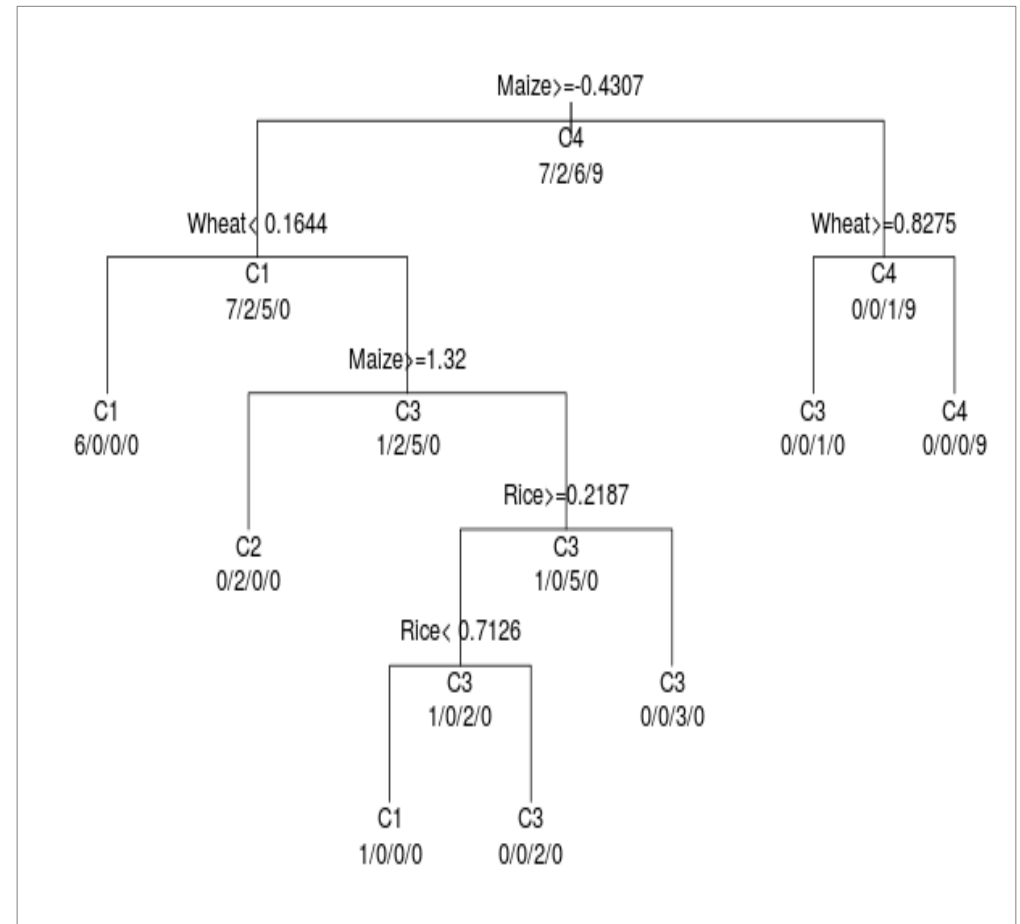
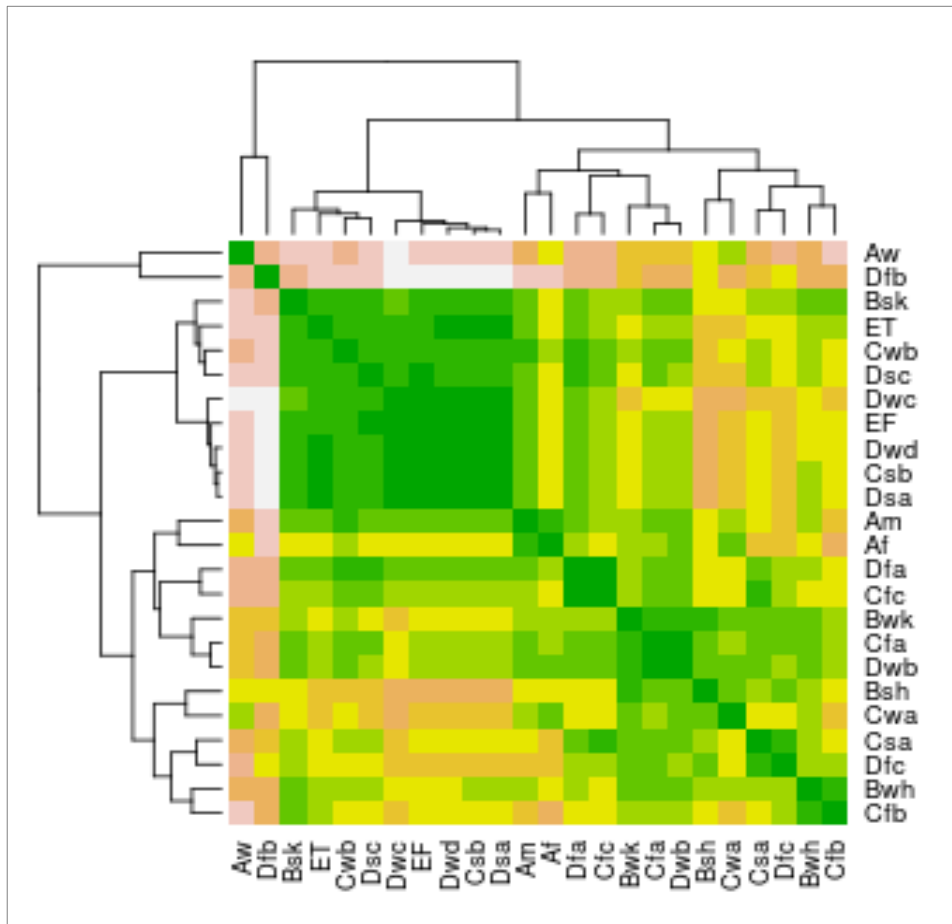
C2 : Aw Dfb

C3 : Bsh Bwh Cfb Csa Cwa Dfc

C4 : Bsk Csb Cwb Dsa Dsc Dwc Dwd EF ET

Hierarchical cluster structure

Crops production



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