

Complex network approach for recurrence analysis of time series



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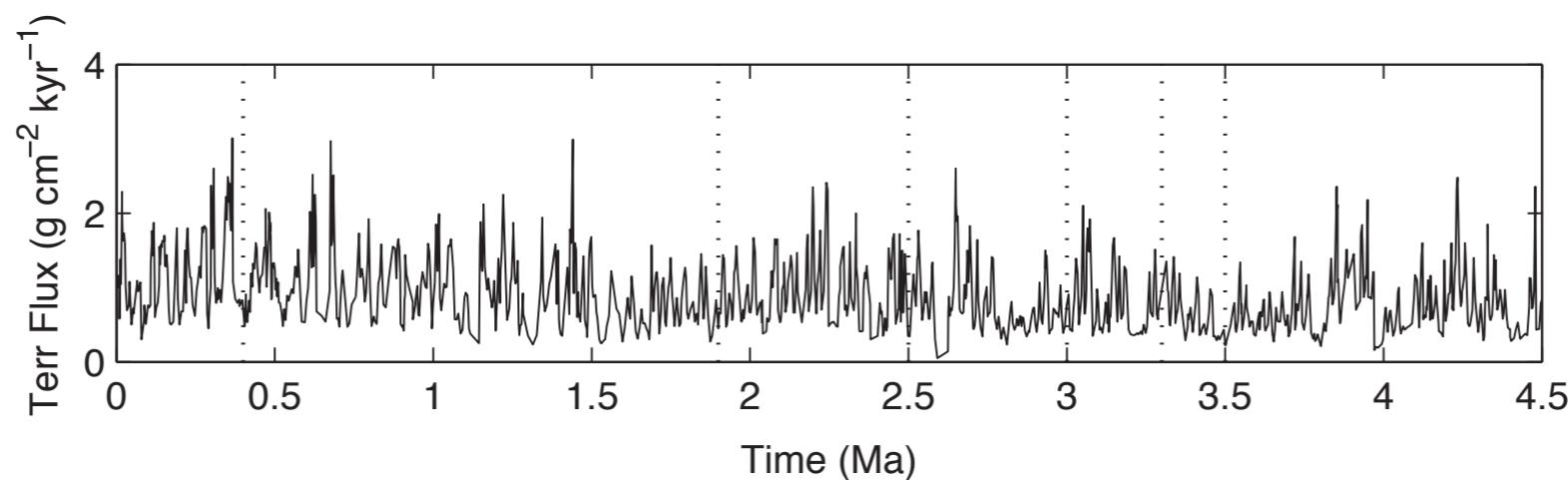
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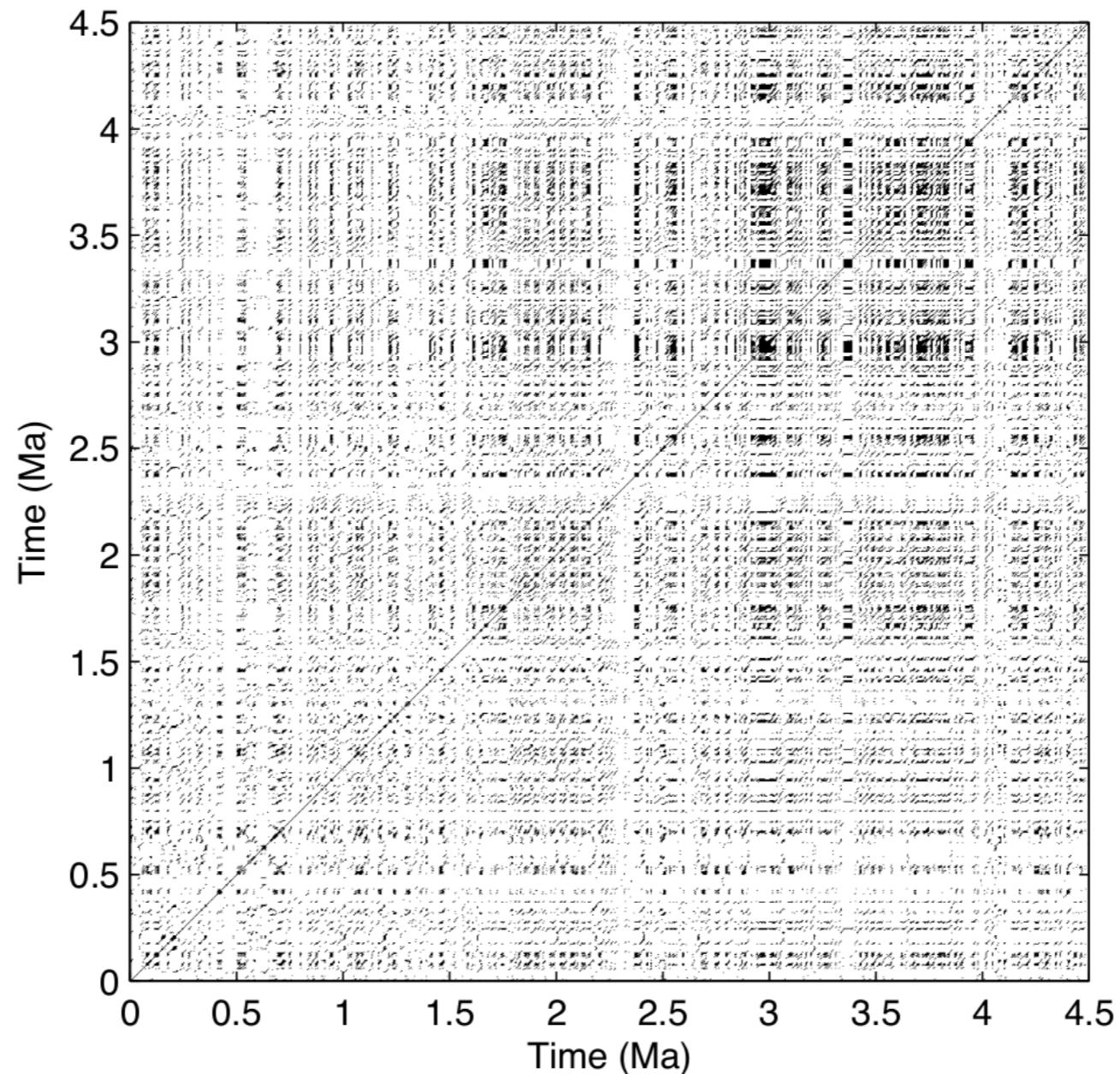
Introduction

What do we start with?

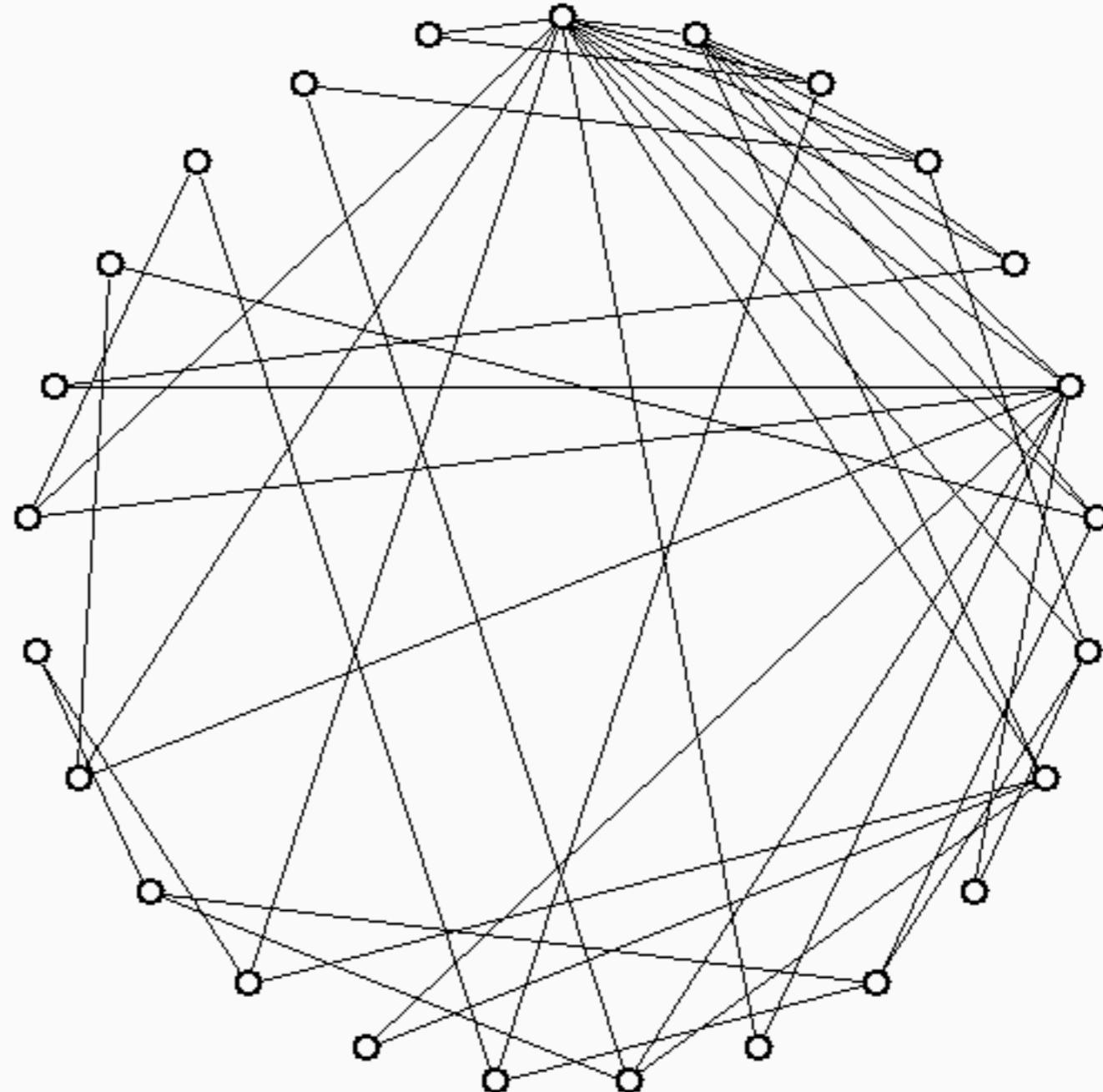
Time series $x(t)$



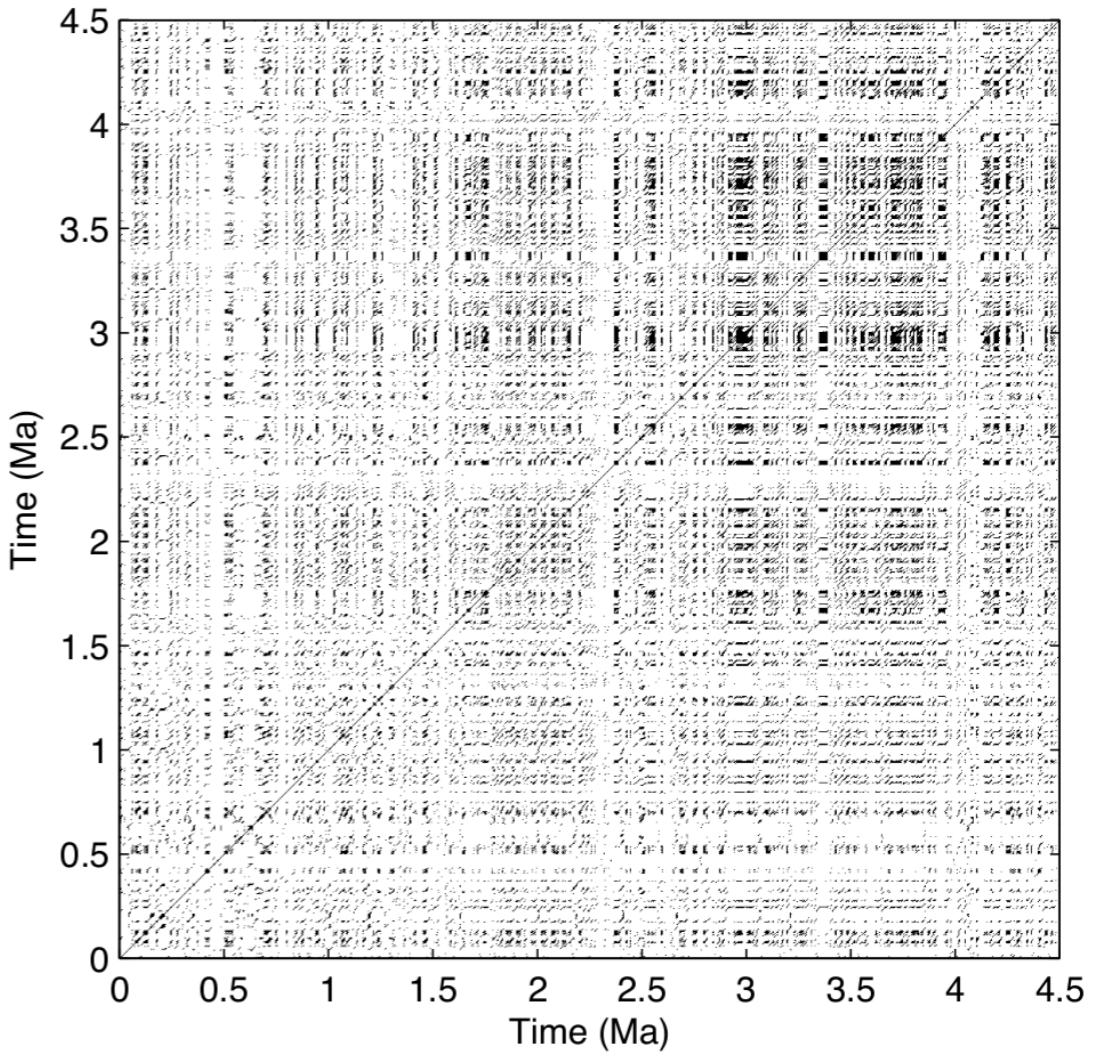
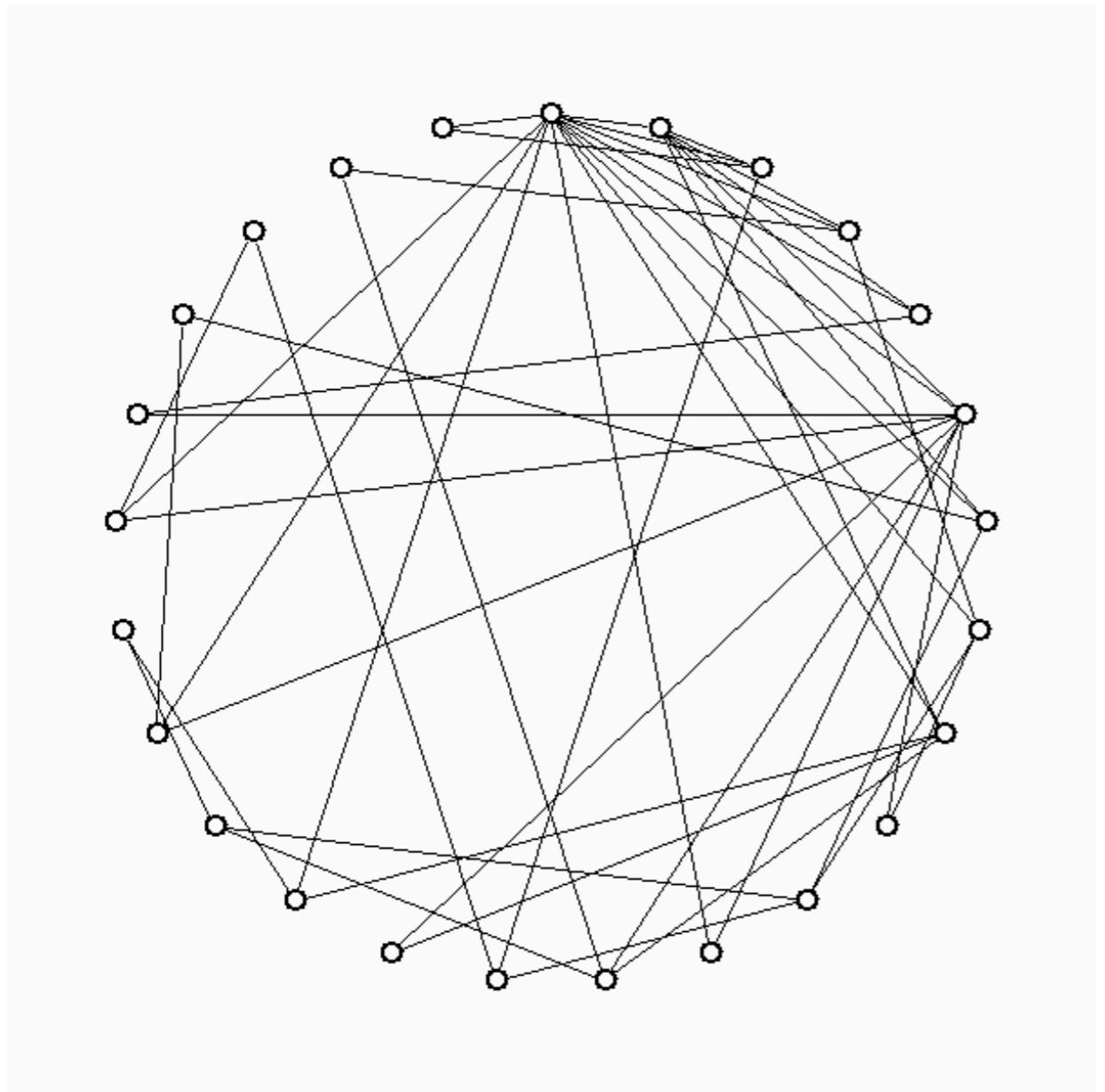
Recurrence plot



Complex network



Duality ?



Analogies

Recurrence plot	Complex network
Recurrence matrix R	Adjacency matrix A
RQA	Network statistics

Recurrence network

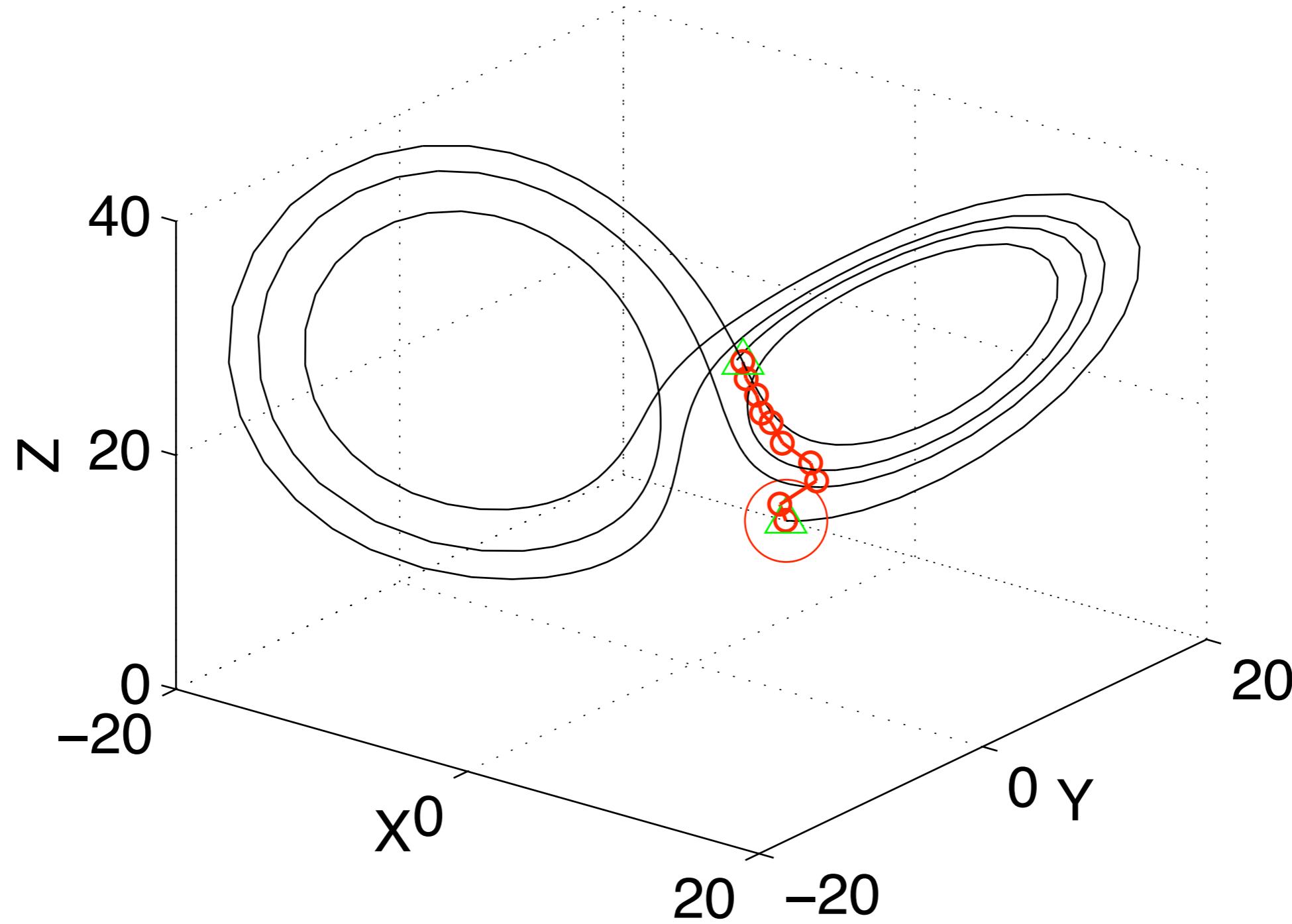
$$A = R - I$$

Conceptual foundation

Equivalence I

Phase space	Recurrence network
State $x(i)$	Vertex i
Recurrence $\ x(i)-x(j)\ < \varepsilon$	Edge (i,j)

Phase space (Lorenz)



Equivalence II

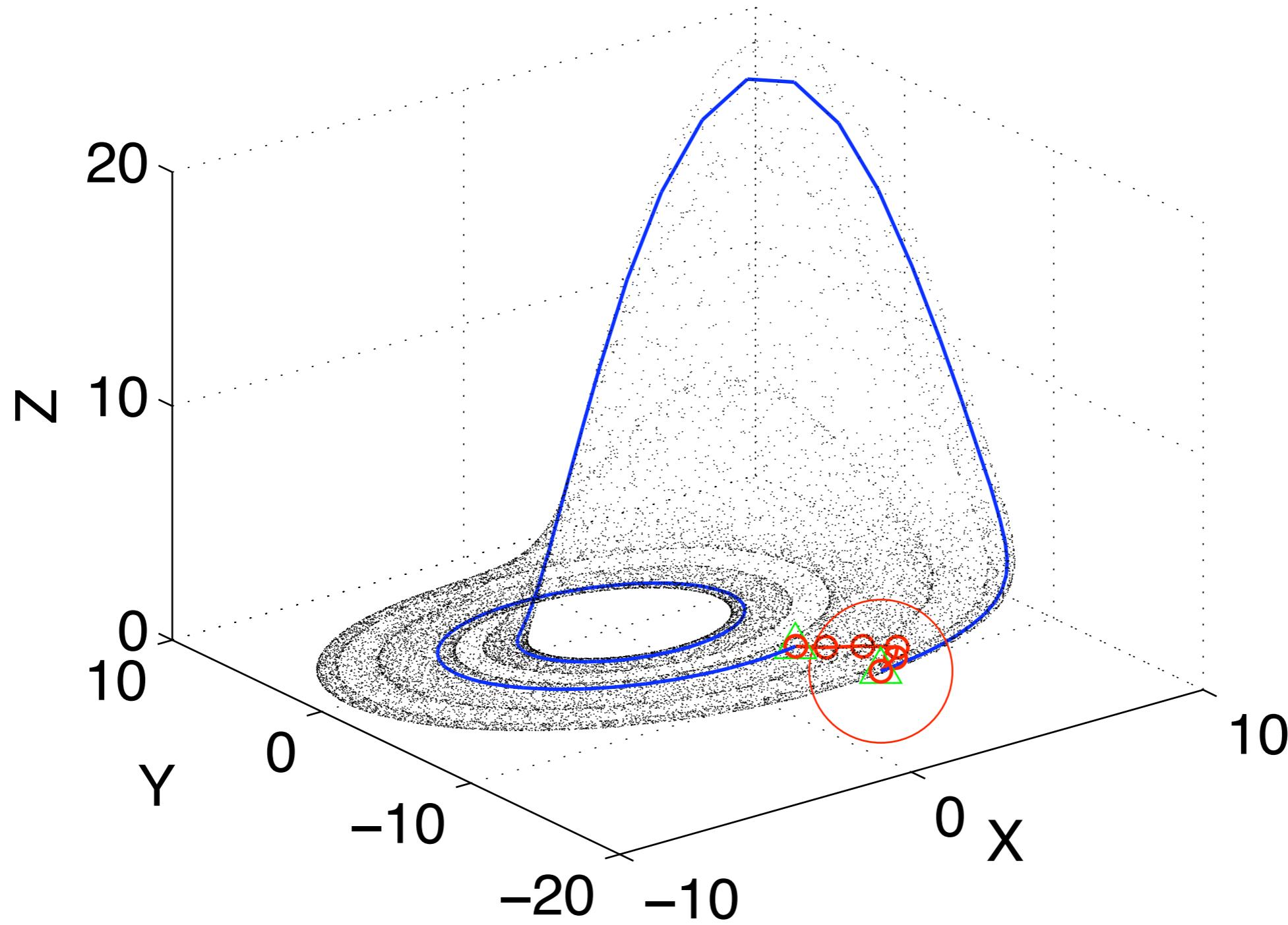
Phase space

Recurrence network

ε - ball sequence

Path

Phase space (Rössler)

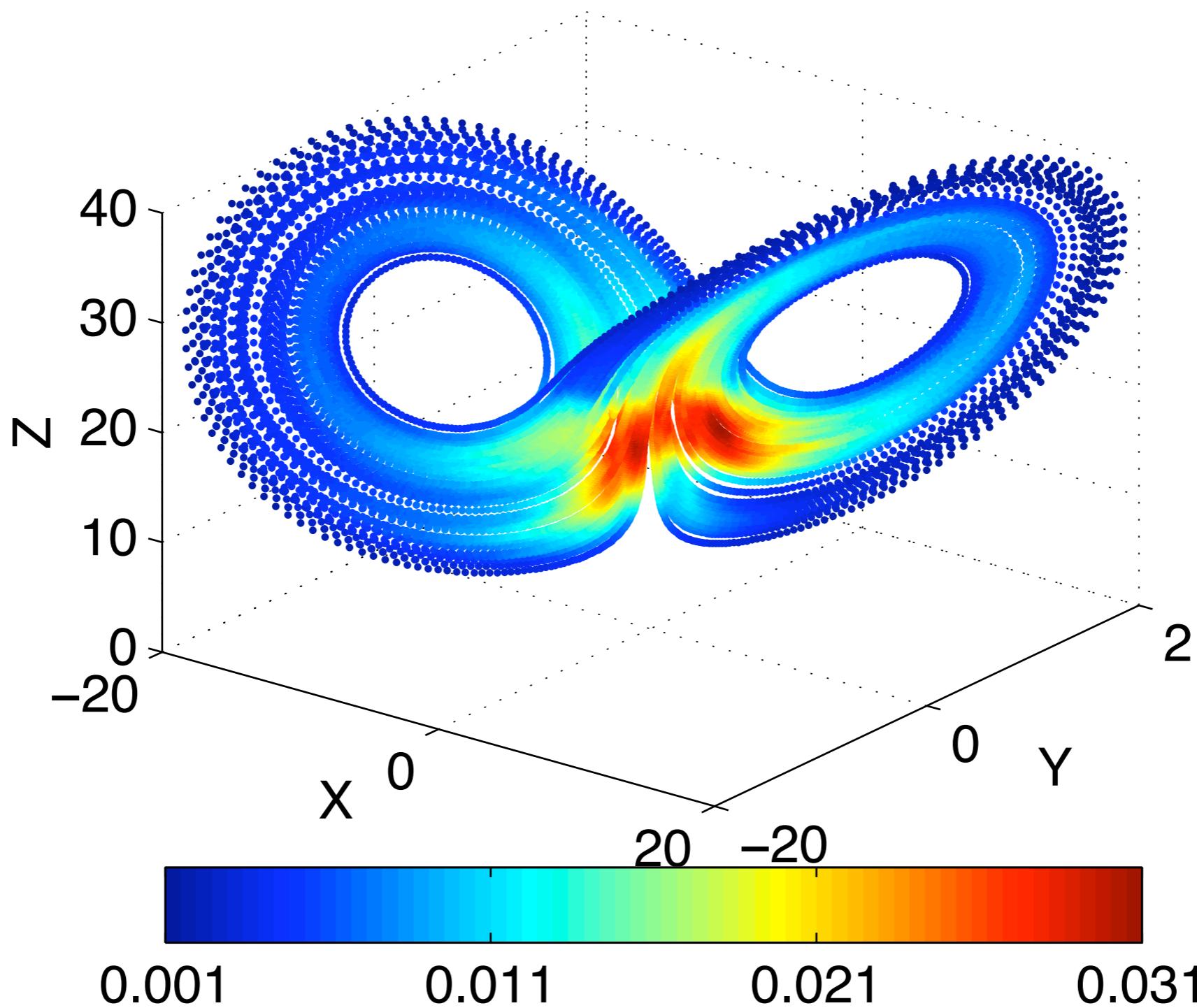


Crucial properties

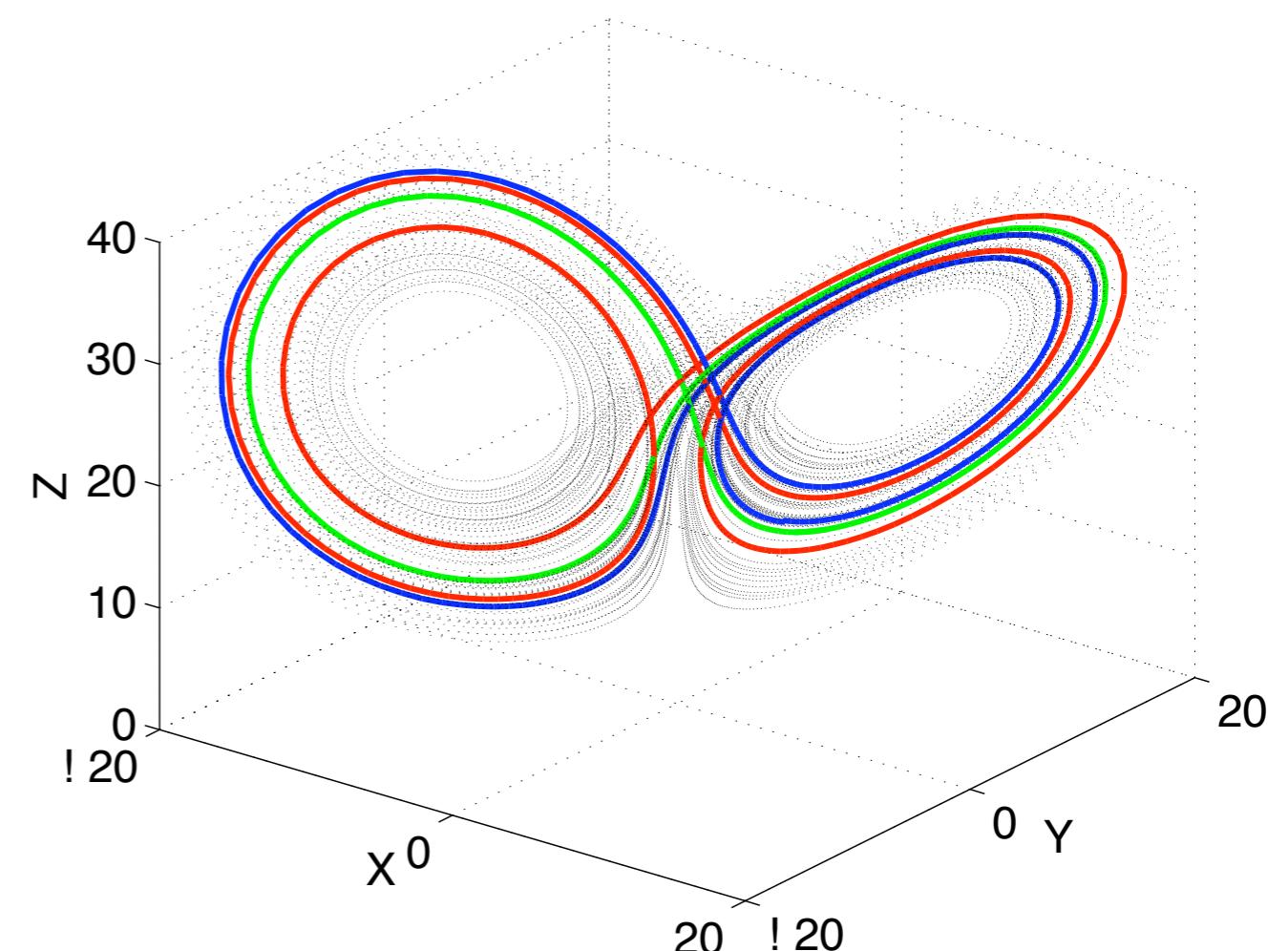
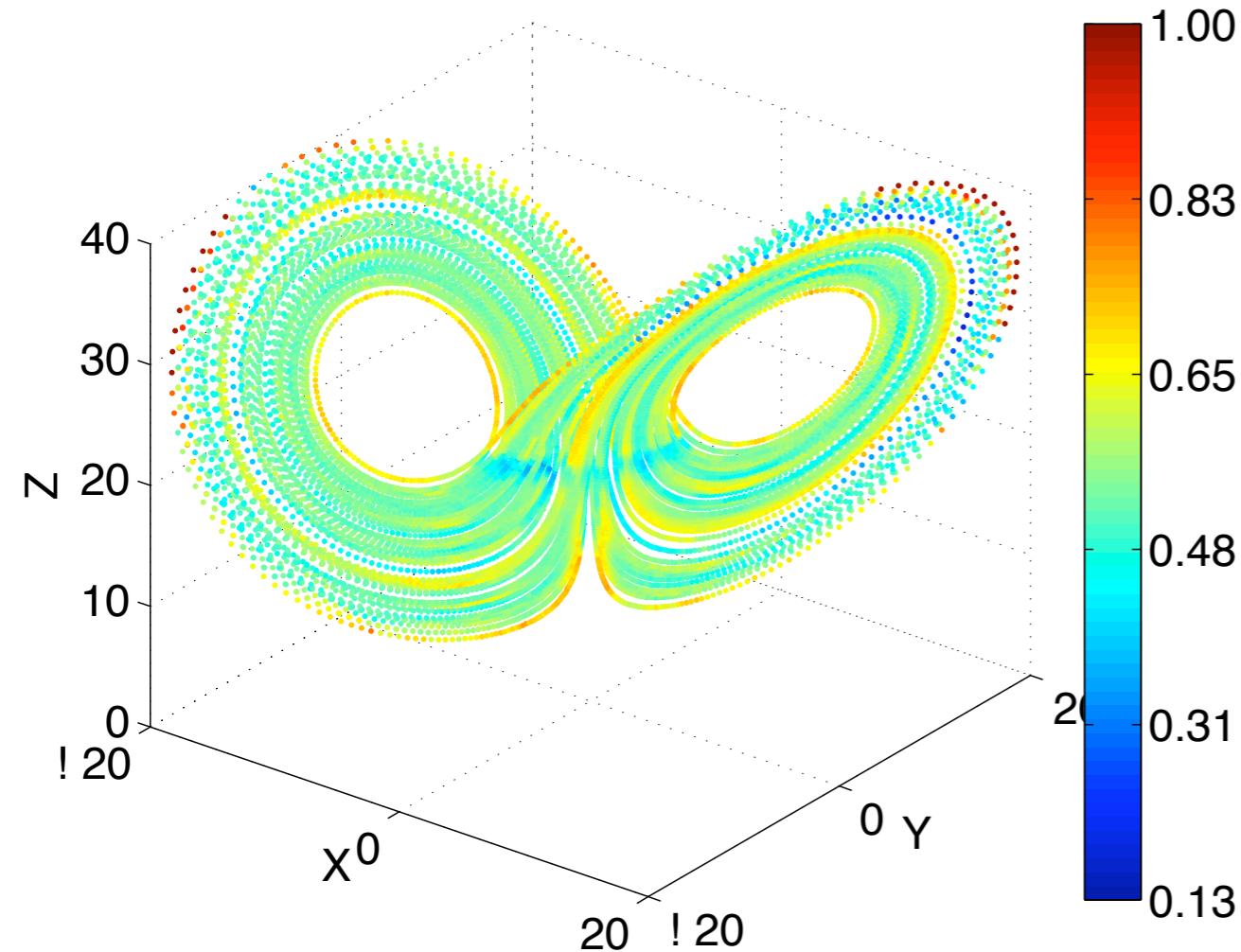
- Time ordering is lost - Arbitrary vertex labeling
- Strong spacial constraints
- Recurrence network reflects attractor geometry

Quantifying recurrence networks

Degree centrality



Clustering coefficient

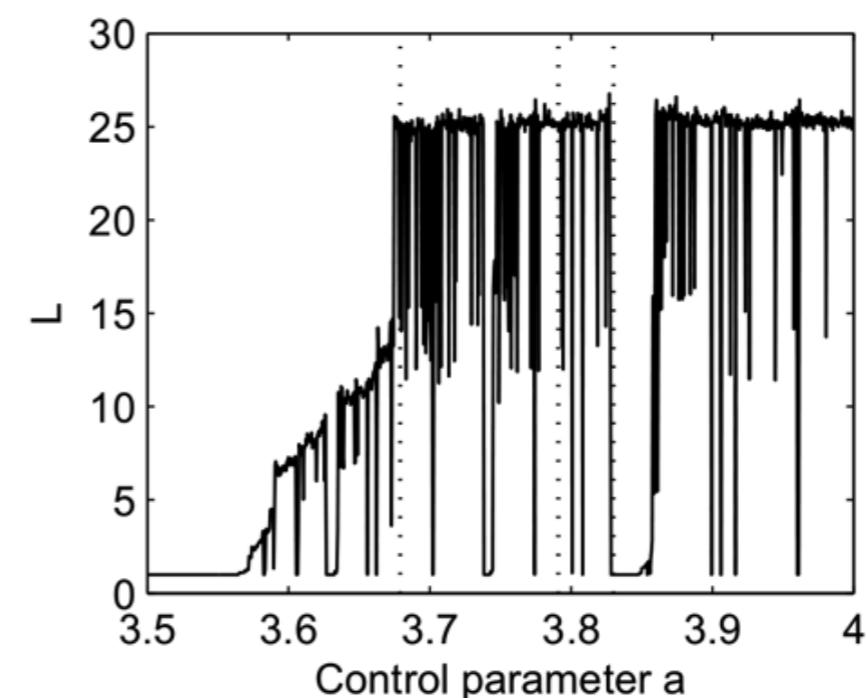
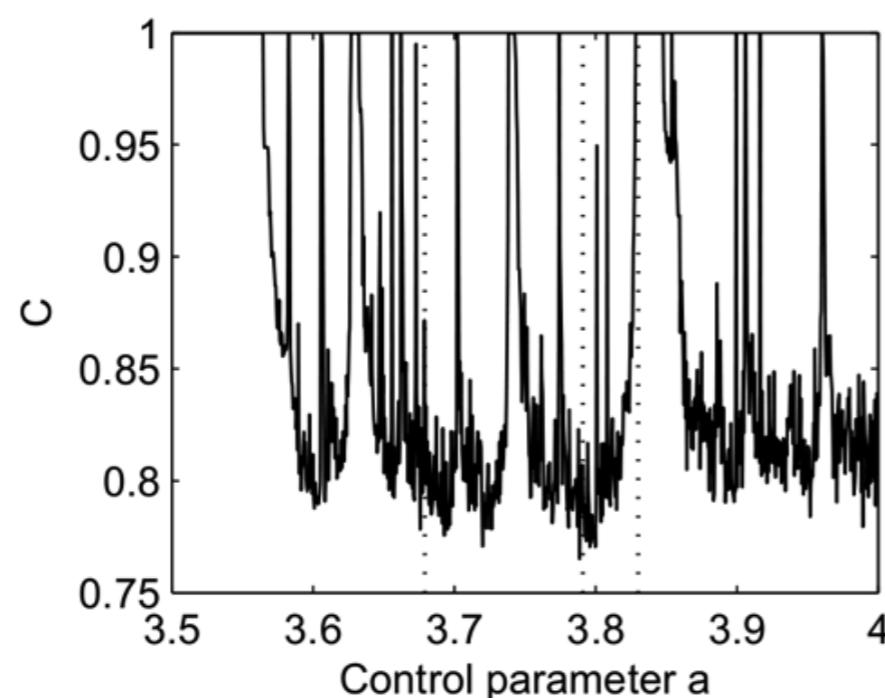
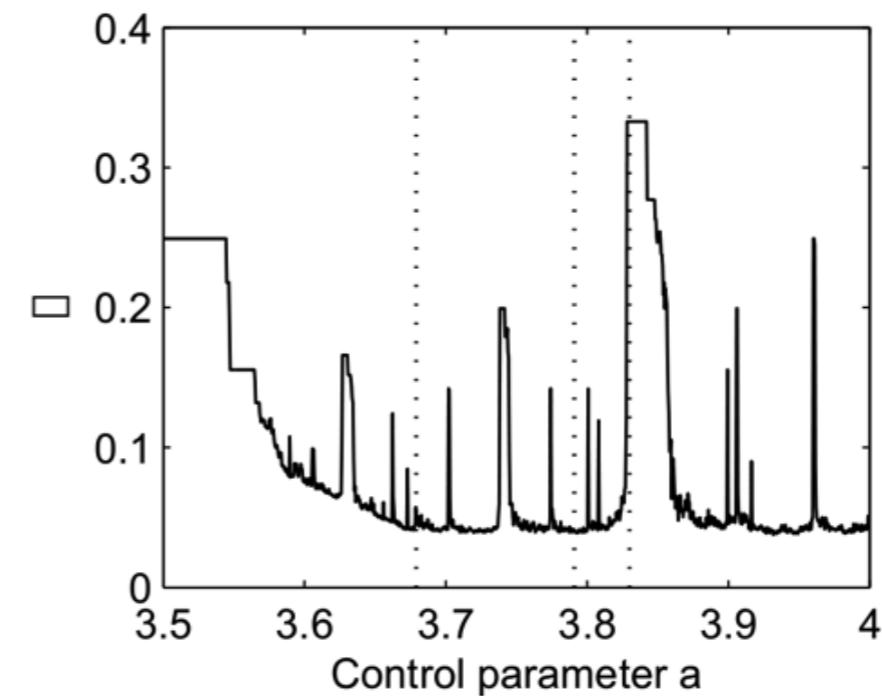
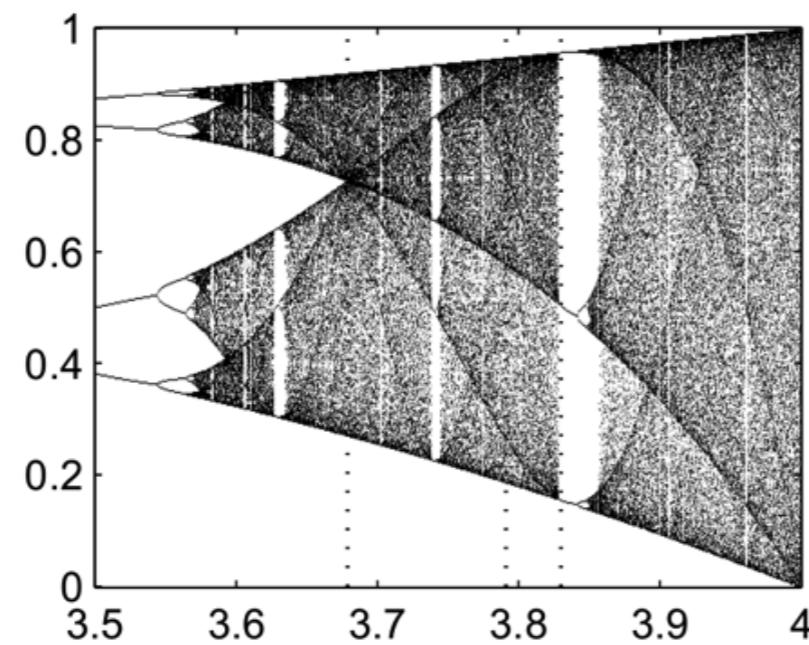


Scalar measures

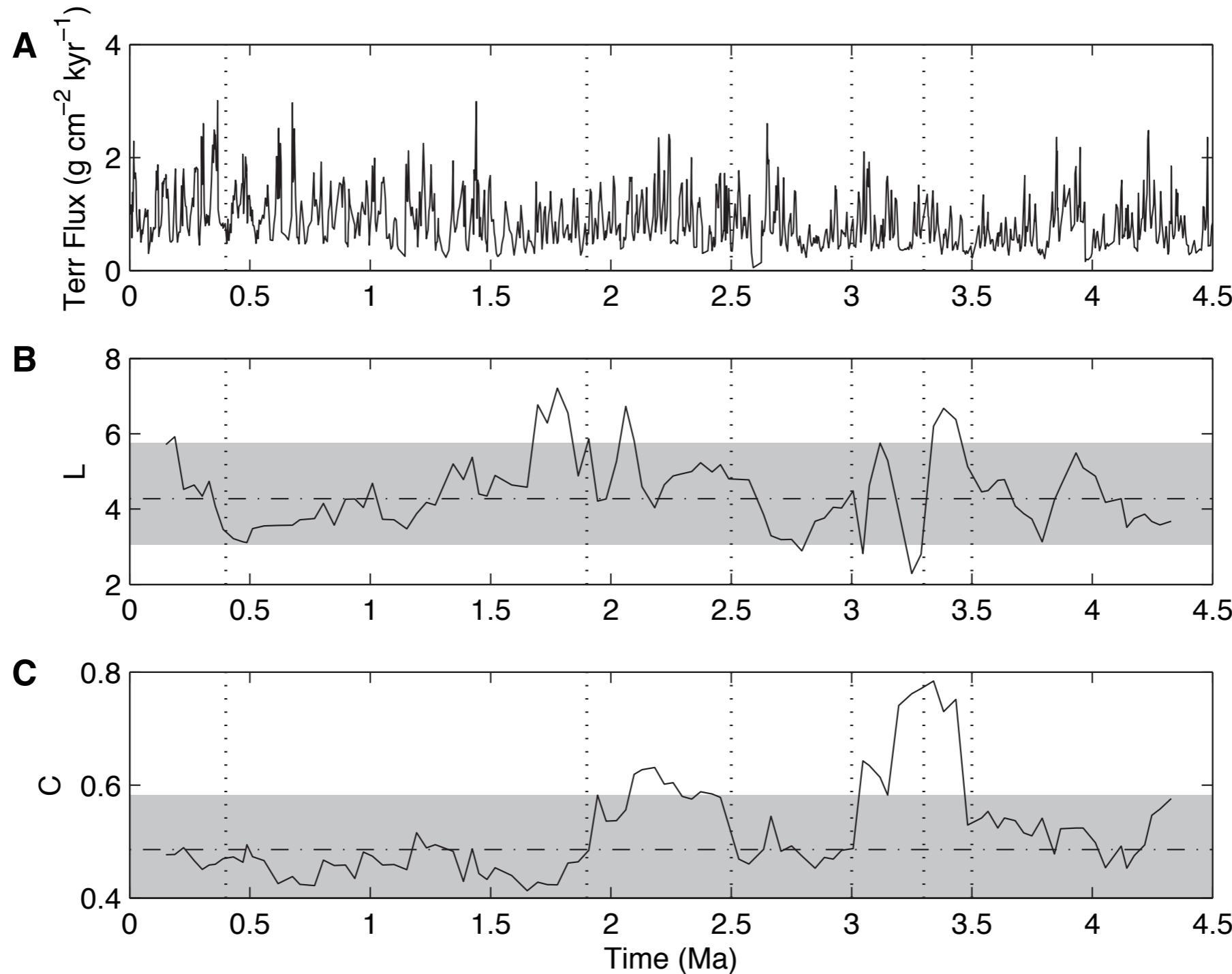
Recurrence network	Phase space
Edge density	Recurrence rate
Clustering	Higher order density
Average path length	Mean separation

Applications

Logistic map



Terrigenous dust flux



Lessons learned

- Clustering coefficient is sensitive to periodicity (longer time scales)
- Average path length sensitive to transition periods (shorter time scales)

Conclusions & Outlook

Advantages of recurrence networks

- Method does NOT require equidistant time scale
- Applicable to univariate and multivariate time series
- Simple significance testing

Take home messages

- Toolbox of complex network theory available to time series analysis
- RNs allow an intuitive and natural interpretation of results
- Complementary to established methods of time series analysis (linear, nonlinear, RQA)

Related publications

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Thank you!