# **Hypernetworks and Multilevel Systems**

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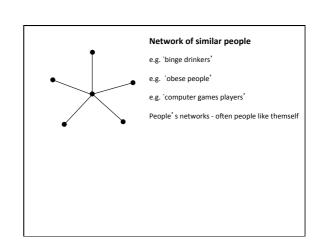
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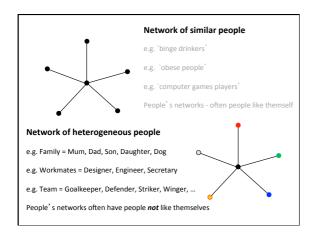
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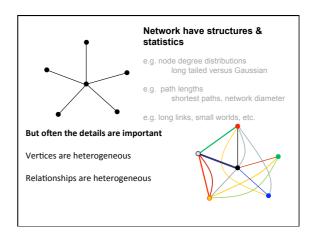
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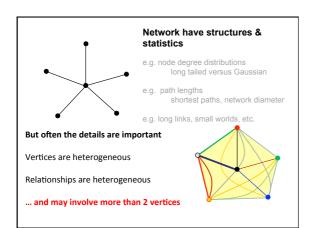
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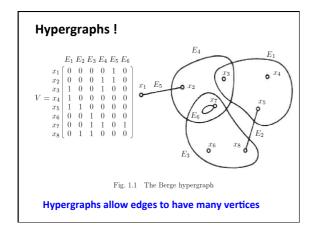


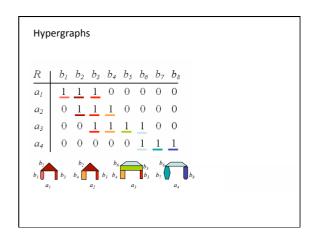


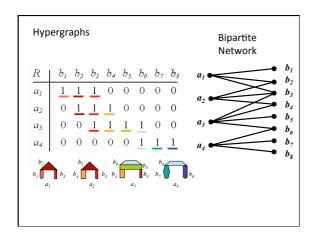


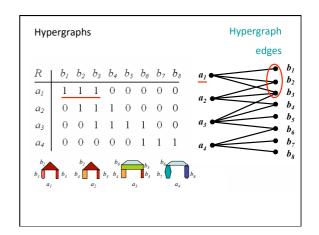


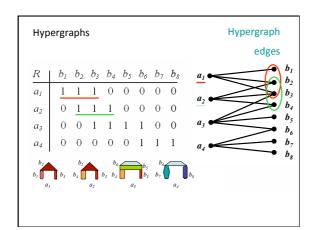
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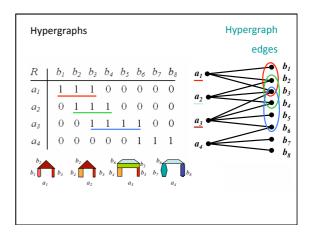


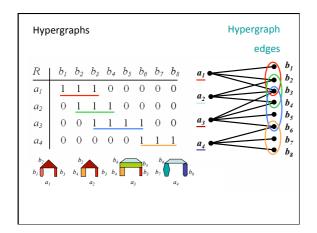


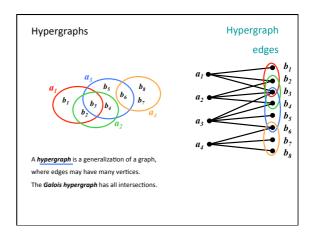


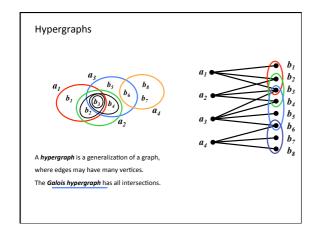


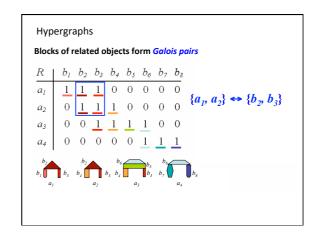


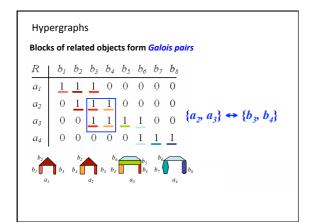


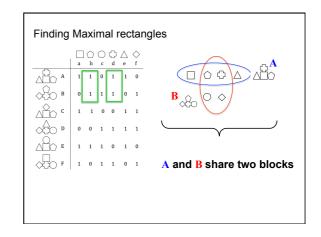


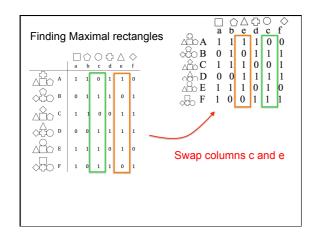


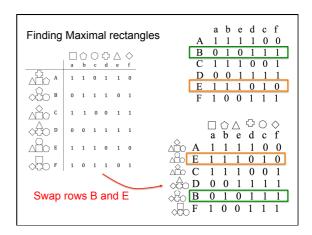


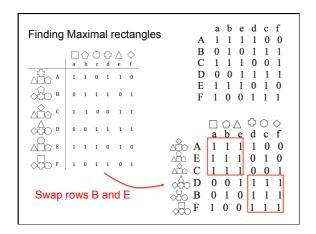


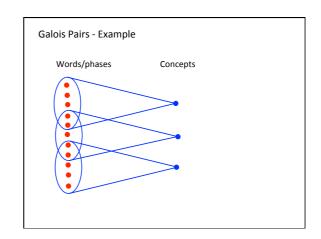


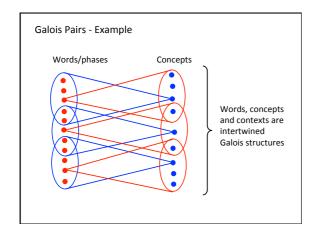


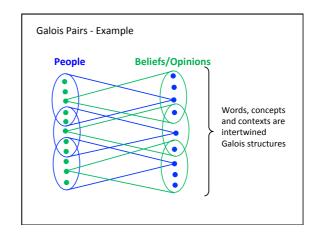


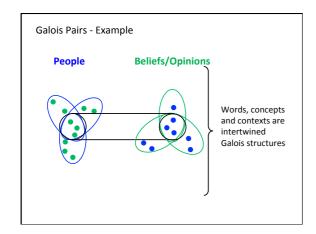






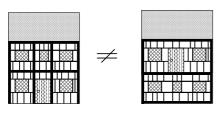






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Same set of parts but arranged differently

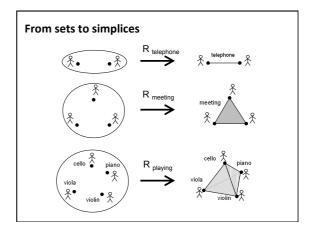
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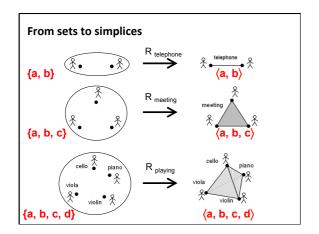
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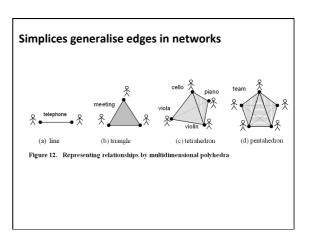
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Simplices are better:







# Binary relations are not rich enough





3 binary relations ≠ one 3-ary relation

<mother, father> + <mother, daughter> + <father, daughter> = / = < mother, father, daughter>

#### From networks to simplicial complexes

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e.g. the tetrahedron



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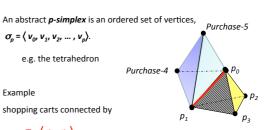
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Example

shopping carts connected by

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A simplicial complex is a set of

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#### From Networks to Hypernetworks



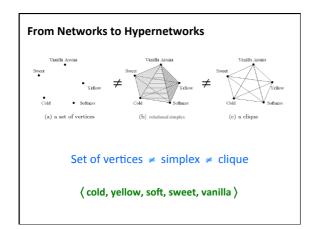
Gestalt Psychologist Katz:

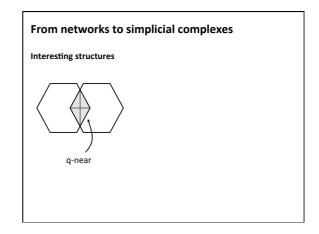


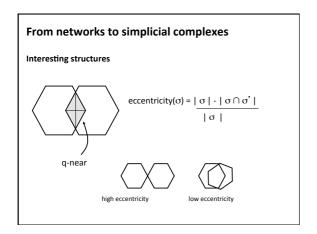
Vanilla Ice Cream ≠ cold + yellow + soft + sweet + vanilla

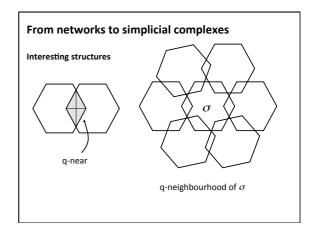
it is a Gestalt - experienced as a whole

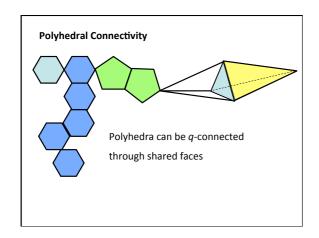
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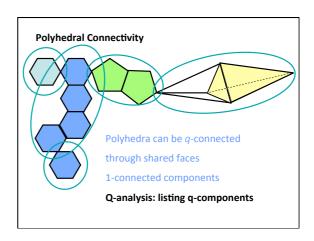


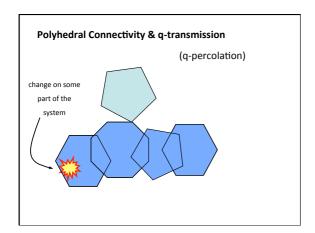


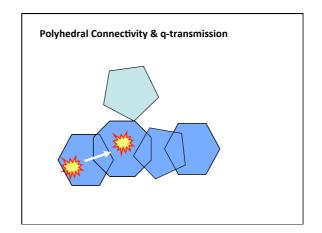


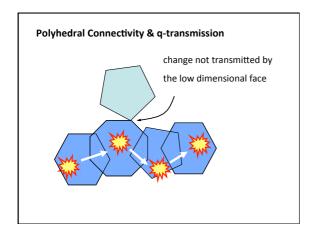


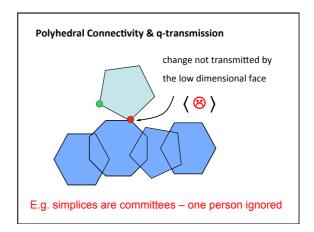


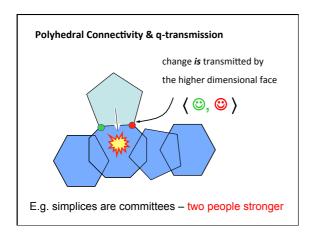


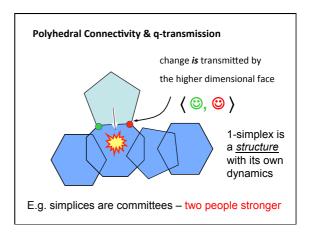


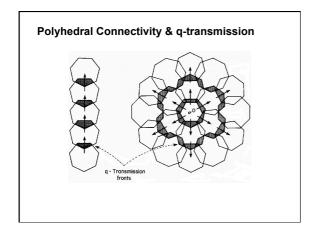


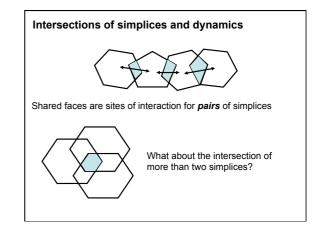


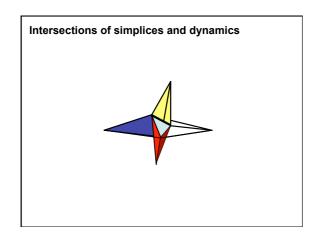


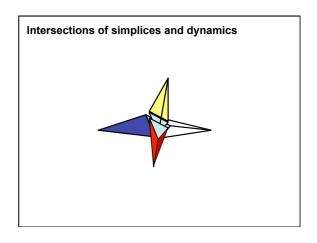


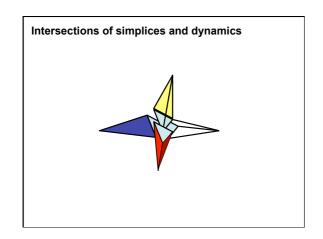


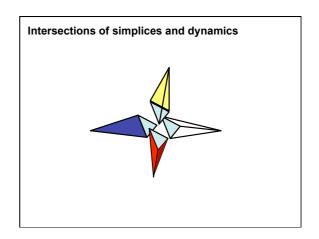


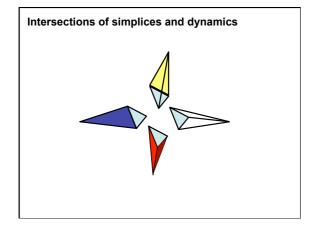


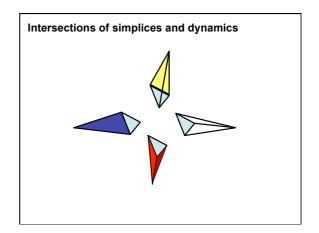


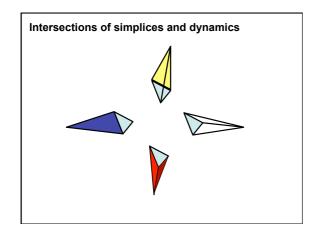


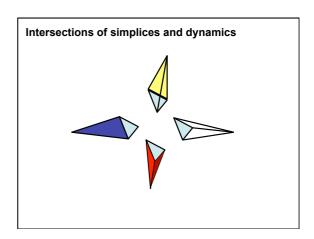


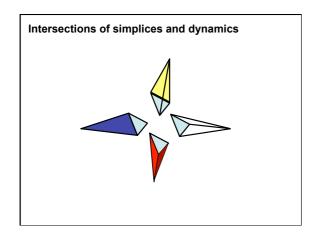


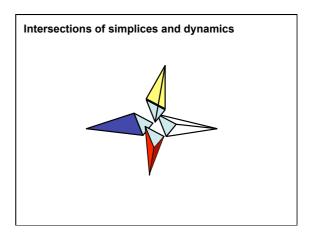


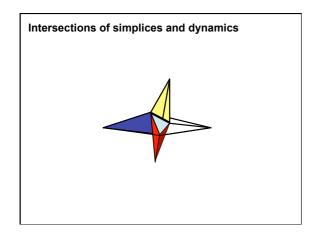


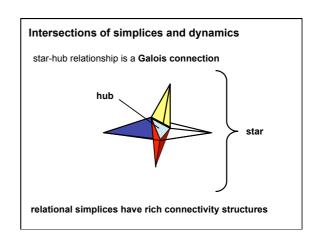


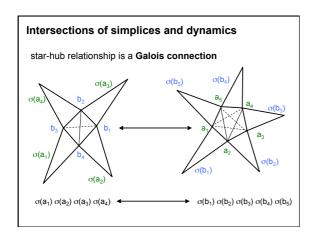


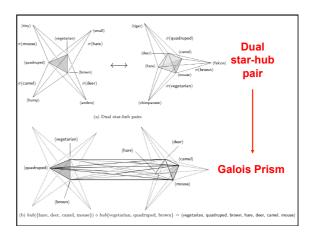


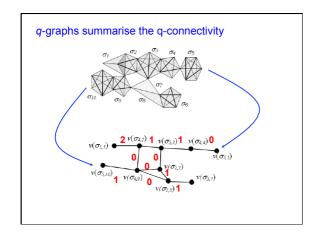


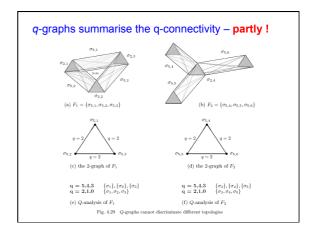


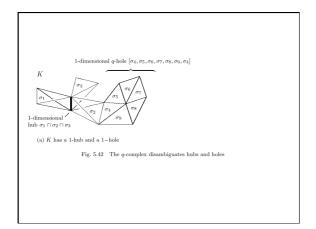


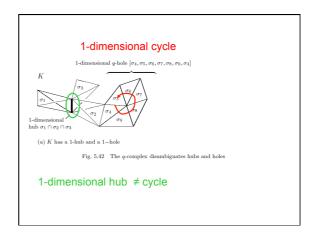


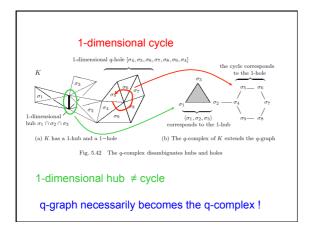


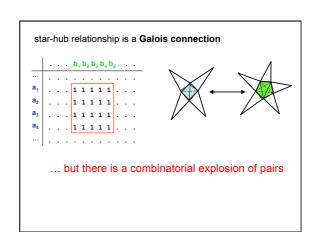


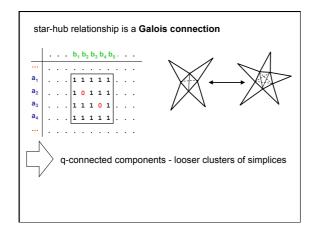


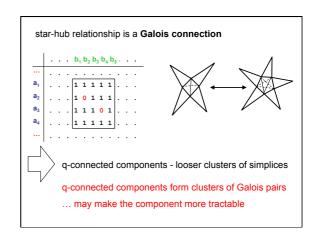


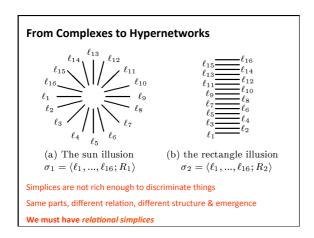


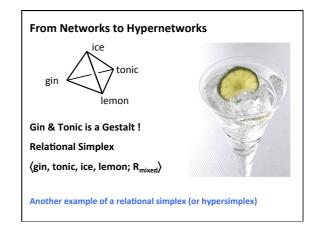


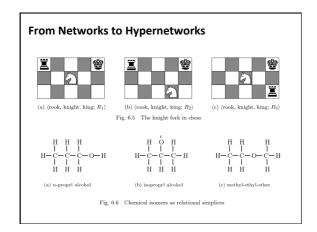


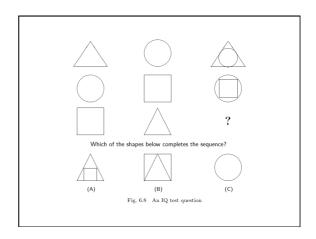


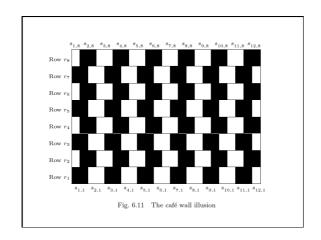


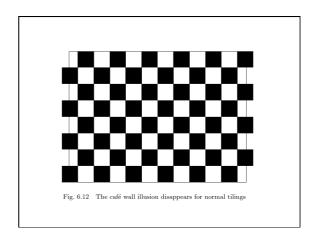


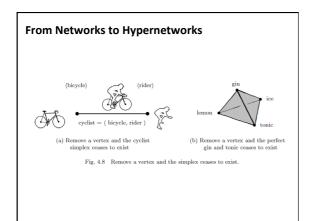












# From Networks to Hypernetworks

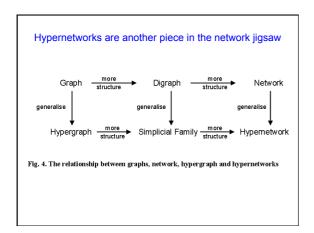
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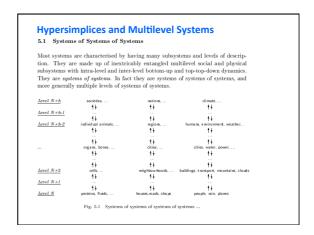
# A *hypernetwork* is a set of hypersimplices

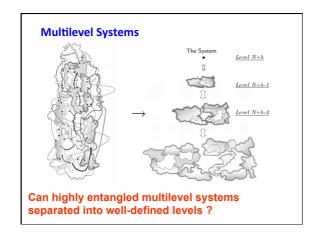
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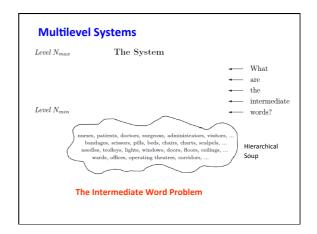
 $\langle \text{cold} + \text{yellow} + \text{soft} + \text{sweet} + \text{vanilla}; R_{Vanilla\_lce\_Cream} \rangle$ 

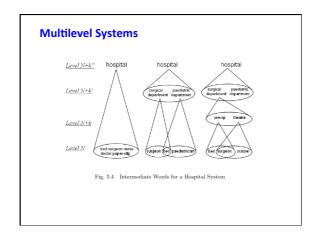
 $\begin{array}{ll} \text{The sun illusion} & \text{the rectangle illusion} \\ \sigma_1 = \langle \ell_1,...,\ell_{16};R_1 \rangle & \sigma_2 = \langle \ell_1,...,\ell_{16};R_2 \rangle \\ \end{array}$ 

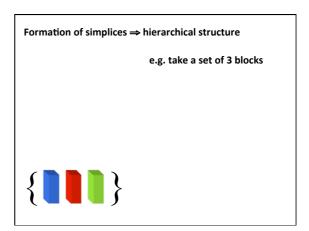


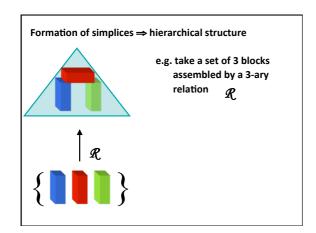


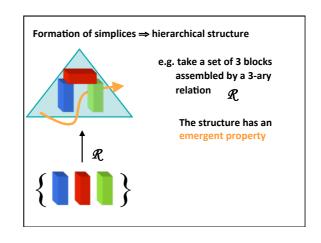


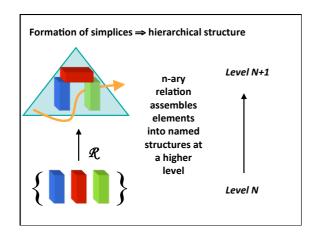


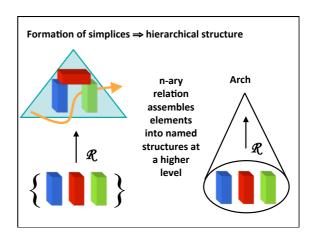


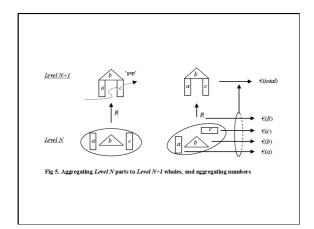


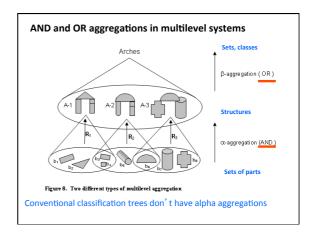












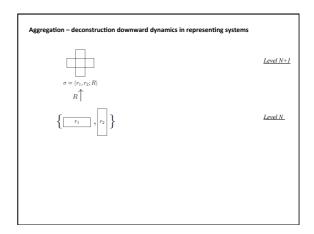
Observing multilevel systems of systems of systems

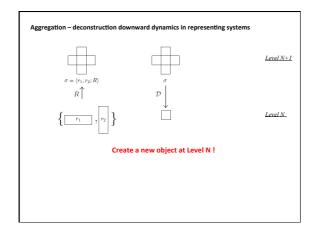
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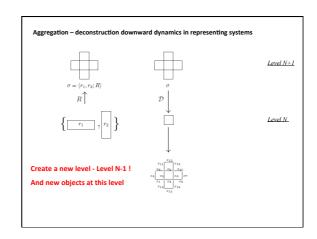
When we look at systems we see the whole & the parts

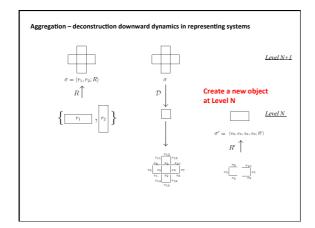
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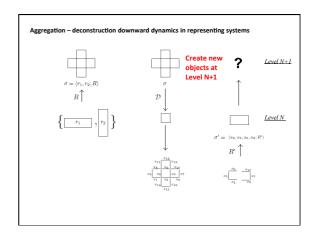
Our brains create new multilevel structures











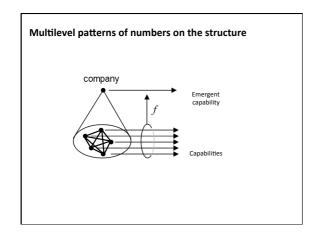
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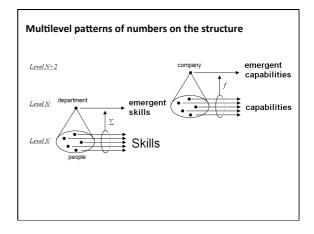
Backcloth and traffic

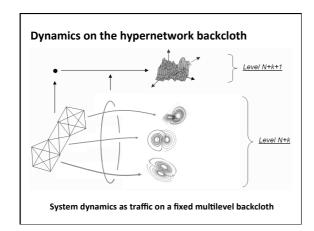
Relational simplices support patterns of numbers across their faces representing dynamical aspects of the systems.

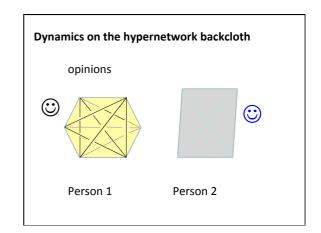
The simplices form a backcloth for the more dynamic traffic

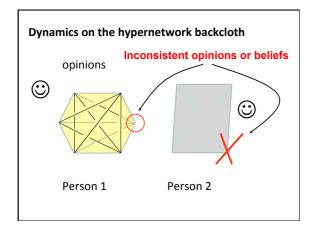
... but there are also backcloth dynamics as relational simplices are formed.

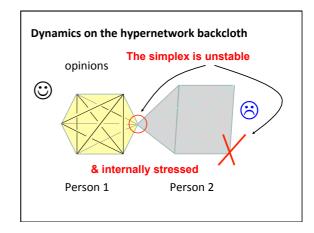


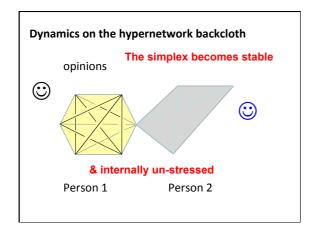


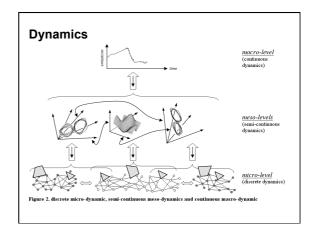












#### End of Lesson 1

Conclusions

Need a way of representing n-ary relations
Hypergraphs a first step, but not rich enough
Simplicial Complexes are better, but still not rich enough
Hypernetworks complete the relational jigsaw

Hypernetworks can represent multilevel systems Necessary (if not sufficient) for complex systems