







Complex Network Architecture

- Is there hope of a theory?
- Are there even informative case studies?
- Is there anything but "hack and ship"?
- Hiding ignorance behind obfuscation?

Other Influences Not Here Today

- Biology/Medicine (Savageau, G&K, Mattick, Csete, Arkin, Alon, Caporale, de Duve, Exerc Physio, Acute Care, etc etc...)
- Internet (Kelly/Low, Willinger, Clark, Wroclawski, Day, Chang, etc etc)
- Architecture (Alexander, Salingeros,...)
- Aerospace (many, Maier is a good book)
- Philosophy/History (Fox Keller, Jablonka&Lamb)
- Physics/ecology (Carlson)
- Management (Baldwin,...)
- Resilience/Safety/Security Engineering/Economics (Wood, Anderson, Leveson, ...)

Essential ideas: Architecture

Robust yet fragile

Question

Constraints that deconstrain

Answer

Question: Human complexity

Robust

- ③ Efficient, flexible metabolism
- Regeneration & renewal
- ③ Rich microbial symbionts
- Immune systems
- Complex societies
- Advanced technologies

Yet Fragile

- $\ensuremath{\mathfrak{S}}$ Obesity and diabetes
- $\ensuremath{\mathfrak{S}}$ Cancer
- ③ Parasites, infection
- ⊗ Inflammation, Auto-Im.
- Epidemics, war, ...
- Catastrophic failures

Mechanism?

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 - Sat accumulation
 - Insulin resistance
 - Inflammation

Fluctuating energy

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Static energy

Implications/ Generalizations

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- Fragility = Hijacking, side effects, unintended... of mechanisms evolved for robustness
 Complexity is driven by control, robust/fragile tradeoffs
- Math: New robust/fragile conservation laws

 Resilience/safety/security Engineering/Economics: "Human error" and "human nature" is often a symptom of bad system architecture

Infrastructure networks?

- Power
- Transportation
- Water
- Waste
- Food
- Healthcare
- Finance

All examples of"bad" architectures:UnsustainableHard to fix

Where do we look for "good" examples?

"Architecture" in practice

- Internet, biology, energy, manufacturing, transportation, water, food, waste, law, etc
- Many architectures are unsustainable/hard to fix What does "architecture" mean here?
- Persistent, ubiquitous, global features
- Constrains the possible (for good or bad)
- Enables/prevents innovation, sustainability, etc,
- Theory is fragmented, incoherent, incomplete
- Needs rigor and relevance
- "Constraints that deconstrain" and "facilitated variation" (Gerhart and Kirschner)

Astrom bridge







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Simplest case studies

Internet



- Successful architectures
- Robust, evolvable
- Universal, foundational
- Accessible, familiar
- Unresolved challenges
- New theoretical frameworks
- Boringly retro?

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Two lines of research:

1. Patch the existing Internet architecture so it handles its new roles

Technosphere

Internet

- Real time
- Control **over** (not just of) networks
- Action in the physical world
- Human collaborators and adversaries
 - Net-centric *everything*

Cyber-Physical Theories

- Thermodynamics
- Communications
- Control
- Computation

Cyber



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Internet

Bacteria

Case studies





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Promising unifications

Modern theory and the Internet

Levels of understanding

Verbal/cartoon

Data and statistics

Modeling and simulation

Analysis

Synthesis

Topics



Recent progress (1995-)

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Fundamentally rethink network architecture



Biology versus the Internet

Similarities

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- Layering, modularity
- Hourglass with bowties
- Feedback
- Dynamic, stochastic
- Distributed/decentralized
- *Not* scale-free, edge-of-chaos, self-organized criticality, etc

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- Metabolism
- Materials and energy
- Autocatalytic feedback
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- How the parts work?

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In the real (vs virtual) world

What matters:

• Action

What doesn't:

- Data
- Information
- Computation
- Learning
- Decision

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Communications

Layers (Net) Computer

Ancient network architecture: "Bell-heads versus Net-heads"









Non-networked Systems








Network requirements





Geographically local

Layered solution



Constraints

Universal control

That deconstrain



That deconstrain



Control constrained



Constraints that deconstrain

And layers have sublayers









Theoretical framework: Constraints that deconstrain



- Optimization
- Optimal control
- Robust control
- Game theory
- Network coding

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Homework: Reinterpret your favorite separation theorem as "layering" Architecture is *not* graph topology.



Architecture facilitates arbitrary graphs.

Academic stovepipes

EE, CS, ME, MS, APh, ChE, Bio, Geo, Eco, ...







"Multidisciplinary cross-sterilization"

New applications

Layering academia?

?????



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DNA - RNA - Protein

Network architecture?





Recursive control structure





Top to bottom

- Metabolically costly but fast to cheap but slow
- Special enzymes to general polymerases
- Allostery to regulated recruitment
- Analog to digital
- High molecule count to low (noise)

Rich Tradeoffs



Layered Brain (Hawkins)?







Why this is all wrong

- Network science and emergulent chaocritiplexity
- Peta-phylia, the singularity is near
- Earth is <10K yrs old, evolution a hoax
- The rapture is near
- Global warming and "unsustainability" a hoax
- It's so stupid it isn't even wrong

Inside every cell



Core metabolic bowtie






















If we drew the feedback loops the

















That deconstrain



Running only the top layers



Mature red blood cells live 120 days

"metabolism first" origins of life?

Reactions

Flow/error

Protein level

Reactions

Flow/error

RNA level

Reactions

Flow/error

DNA level



RNA









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Autocatalytic feedback



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"Central dogma"

Protein





This is just charging and discharging














Recursive control structure







Horizontal gene transfer What is locus of early HGT and evolution? Eukaryotes Shared **Protocols** Animals Fungi **Plants** Archaea Bacteria Algae Bacteria that gave rise to chloroplasts **Architecture**? Bacteria that gave rise to mitochondria orarchaeota Hyperthermophilie bacteria **Common Ancestral Community of Primitive Cells**







fan-in of diverse inputs fan-out of diverse outputs

Diverse **Highly robust** function Diverse Evolvable Deconstrained Diverse Robust Constraints that <u>components</u> yet fragile deconstrain

Universal Control

- Highly fragile
- Universal
- Frozen

universal

carriers

- Constrained
- Hijacking



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Autocatalytic



Control



Caution: mixed cartoon

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Entropy rates



Hard limits







[a system] can have [a property] *robust* for [a set of perturbations]

Yet be *fragile for*

[a different property]

Or [a different perturbation]



Robust yet fragile = fragile robustness

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The plant can make this tradeoff worse.

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All controllers: \geq Biological cells: =



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Small z =

- small k and/or
- large q



Correctly predicts conditions with "glycolytic oscillations"

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mRNA activity is actively controlled.









The greatest complexity here is primarily in the control of rates



Gly G1P G6P That is not always the case. F6P Gly3p ATP 13BPG 3PG Oxa PEP 2PG Pyr ACA TCA VADE Cit

Allosteric **Trans***





All at the DNA layer





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