

# Modeling time-varying multilayer networks (and beyond?)

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# LNCC: National Laboratory for Scientific Computing



- **Research unit** - Brazilian Ministry of Science, Technology and Innovation
- **~60 dedicated researchers** (public servants) from different domains: engineering, computer science, applied math, physics, and biology
- **Interdisciplinary research**
  - Graduate program in **computational modeling** (~100 PhD/MSc students)
  - ~75 postdocs and research assistants
  - a lot of external **cooperative R&D** work (in Brazil and abroad)

# Where are we???



**Petrópolis, RJ is in the mountains about 70 km (~45 miles) away from Rio**



# LNCC: Computational modeling



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## • Basic research

- Numerical methods
- First principals based modeling
- Data-driven modeling

## • Applied research

- Medicine assisted by computing
- Computational biology
- Oil and gas

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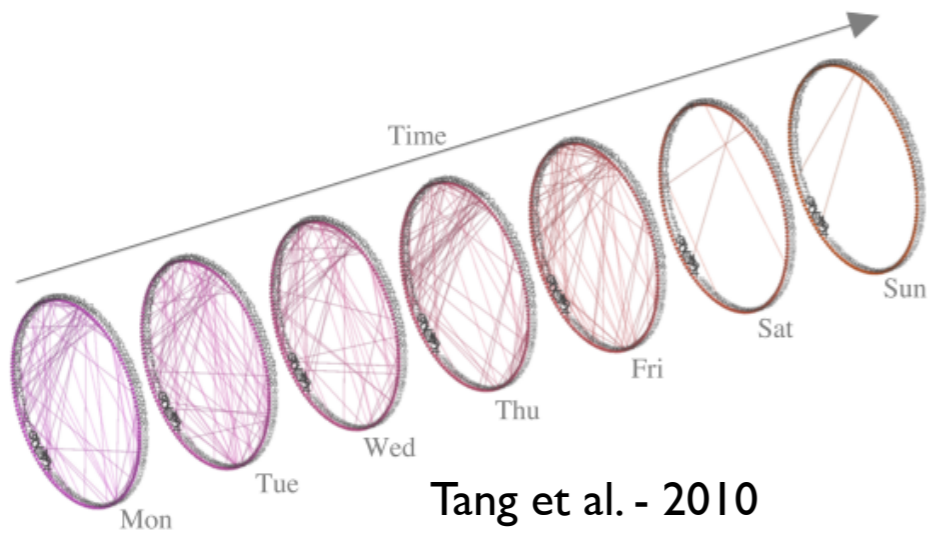


- Distributed and high-performance computing
- Complex networking, softwares, and databases

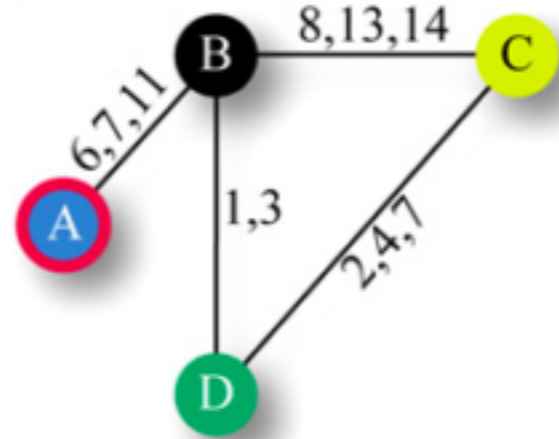


# Dynamic Networks

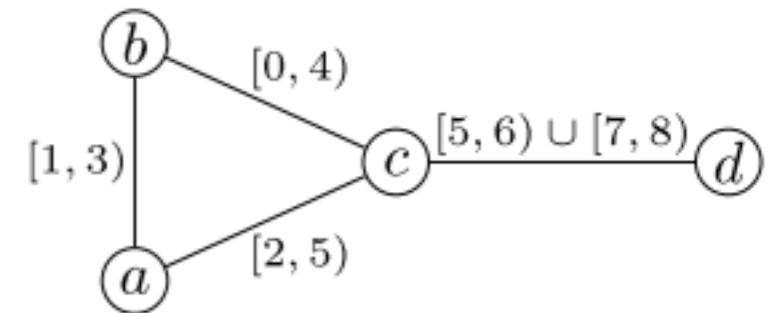
Represented by **Time-Varying Graphs (TVGs)**



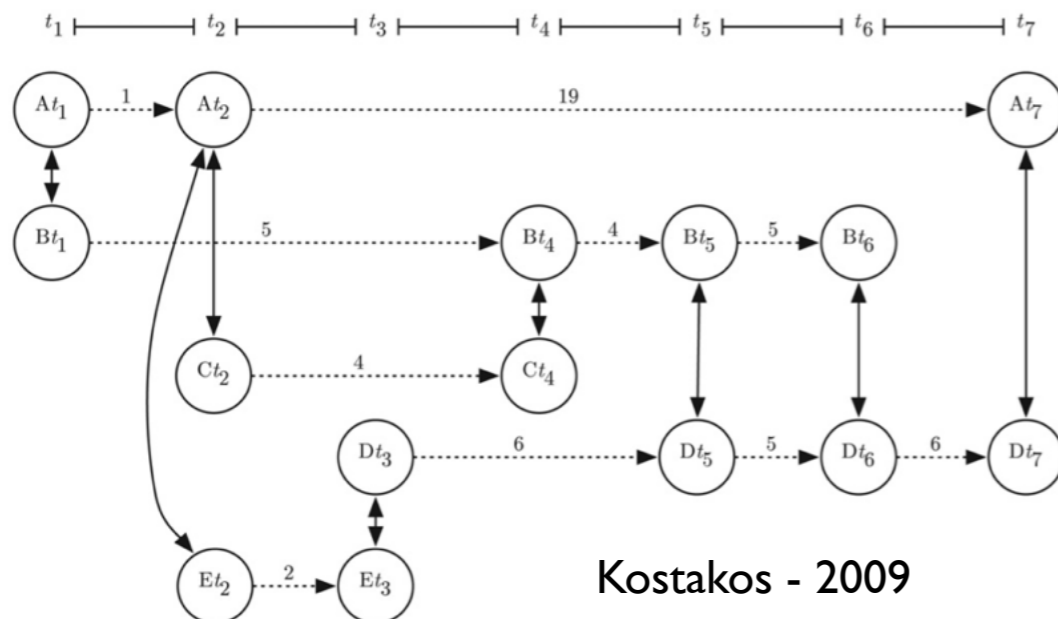
Tang et al. - 2010



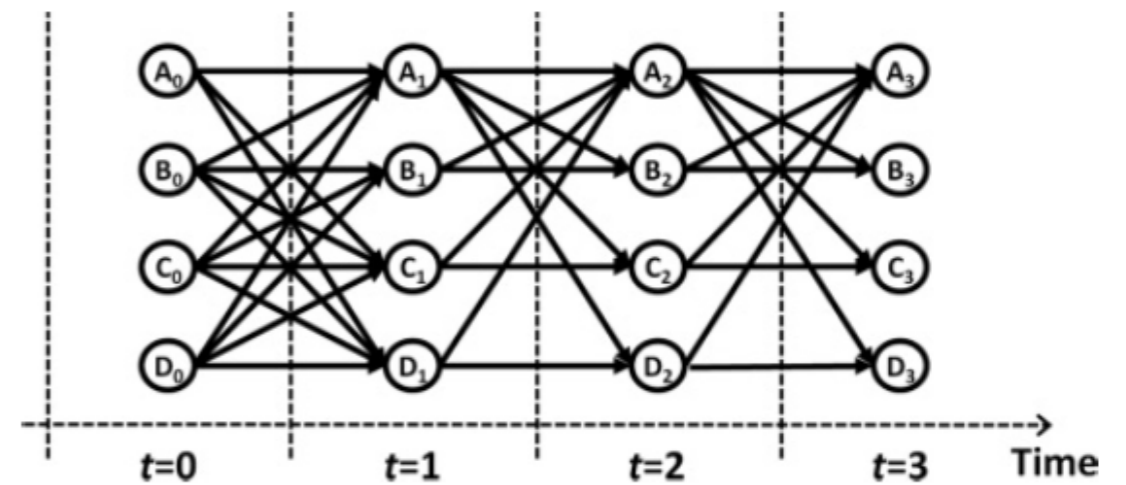
Saramäki & Holme - 2012



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Kostakos - 2009



Kim & Anderson - 2012

# A Unifying Model for Representing Time-Varying Graphs

Joint work with Klaus Wehmuth (LNCC)  
and Éric Fleury (ENS-Lyon/INRIA, France)

$$G = (V, E, T)$$

V - **Vertices (nodes)** set

E - **Dynamic Edges** set

T - **Time instants** set

K. Wehmuth, A. Ziviani, E. Fleury, **A Unifying Model for Representing Time-Varying Graphs**,

Technical report INRIA RR-8466, 39 p., January 2014.

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# Dynamic Edges

$$E \subseteq V \times T \times V \times T$$

$$e \in E, e = (v_1, t_a, v_2, t_b)$$

$v_1, v_2 \in V$  - vertices       $t_a, t_b \in T$  - time instants

A **dynamic edge** expresses a relation between two nodes at two time instants



# Dynamic Edges

$$E \subseteq V \times T \times V \times T$$

$$e \in E, e = (v_1, t_a, v_2, t_b)$$

Are represented by an **ordered quadruple**

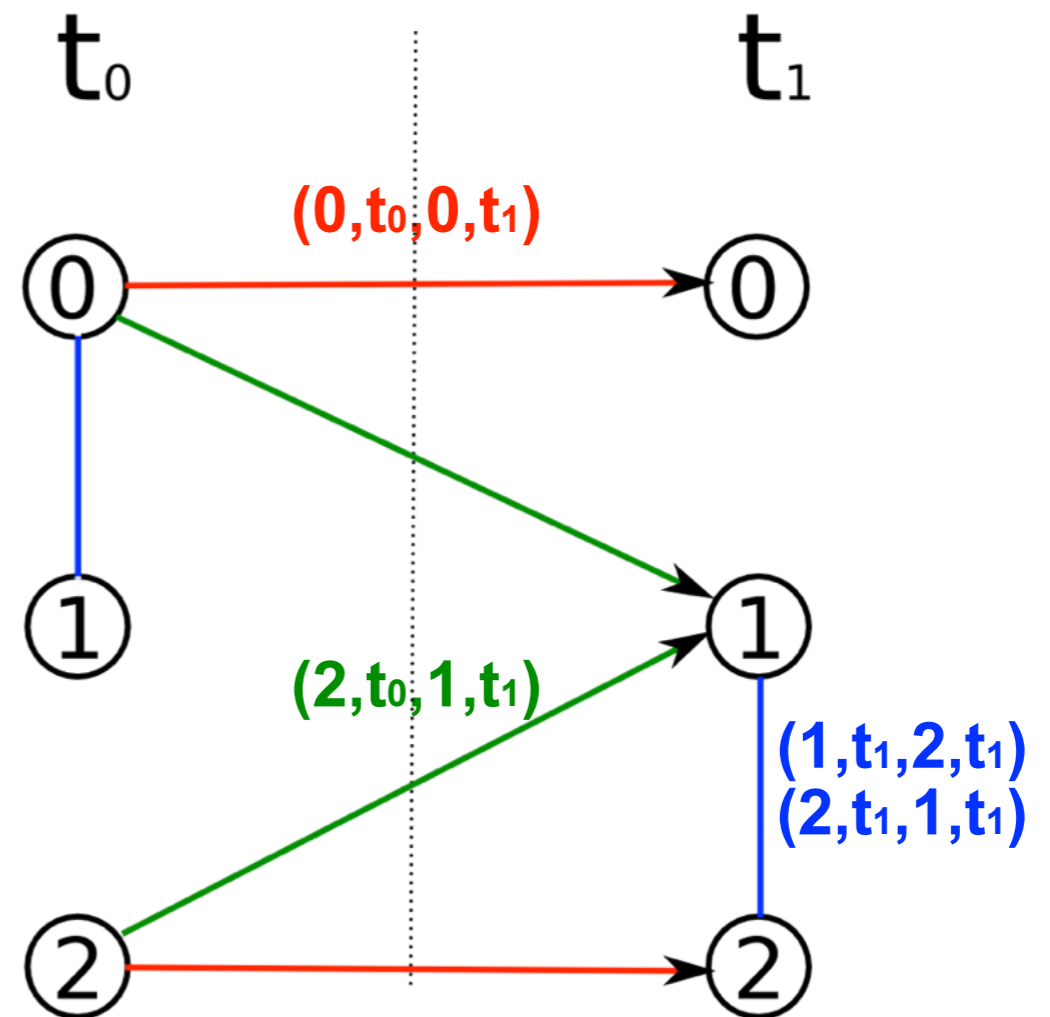
Can be represented by an entry on a  
**4th order tensor**

# Dynamic Edges

Temporal Edges

Spatial Edges

Mixed Edges



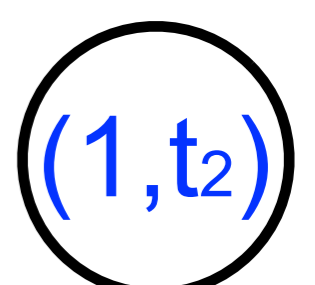
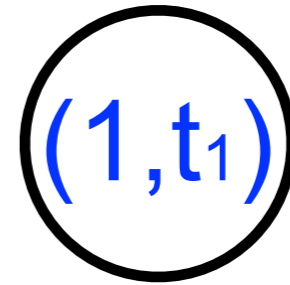
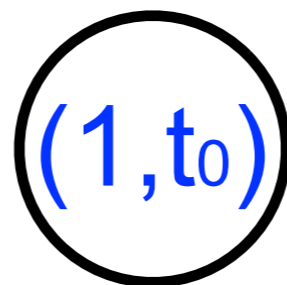
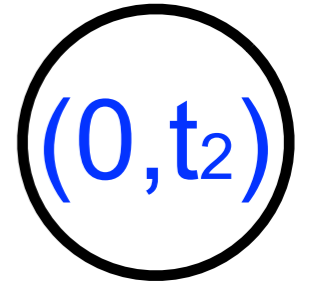
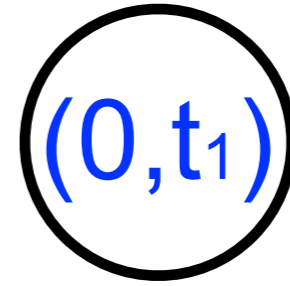
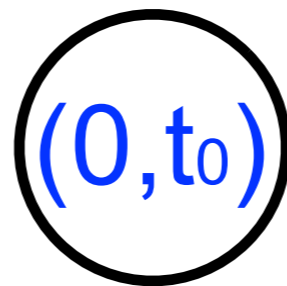
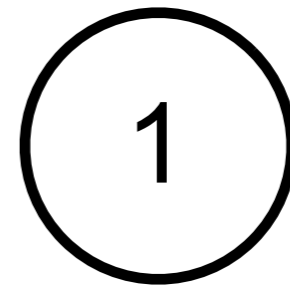
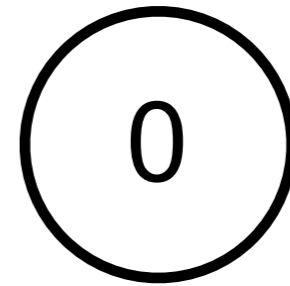
# Temporal Vertices

$$G = (V, E, T)$$

$$V = \{0, 1\}$$

$$T = \{t_0, t_1, t_2\}$$

$$v \in VT = V \times T$$



# Temporal Vertices Representation

$$G = (V, E, T)$$

$$e = (\underbrace{v_1, t_a}_u, \underbrace{v_2, t_b}_v)$$

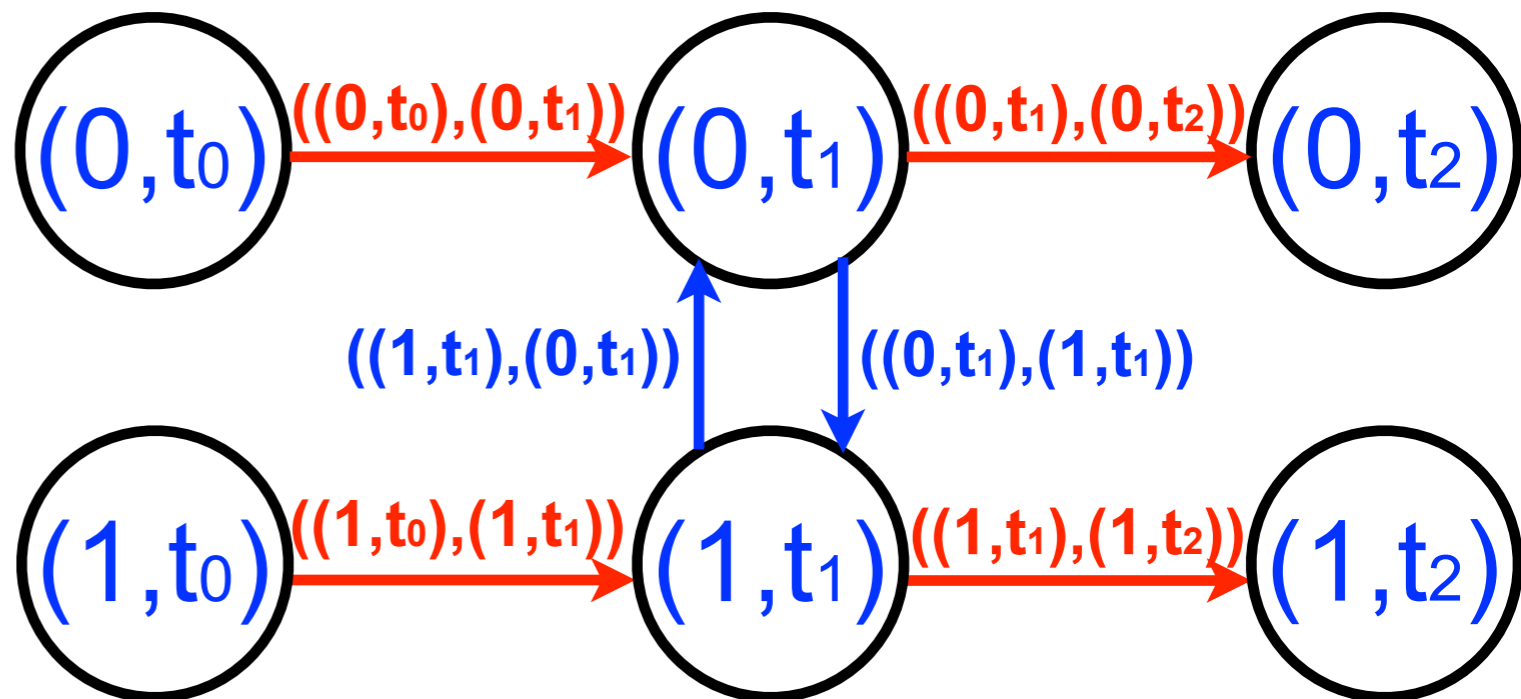
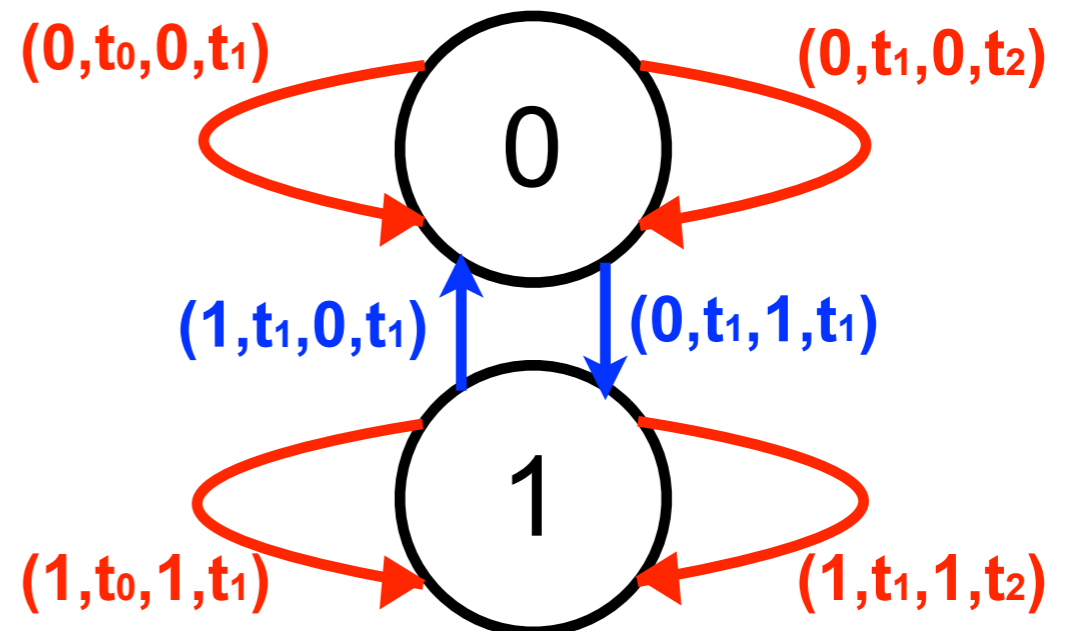
$$u, v \in VT = V \times T$$

$$e_s = (u, v) \in VT \times VT = ET$$

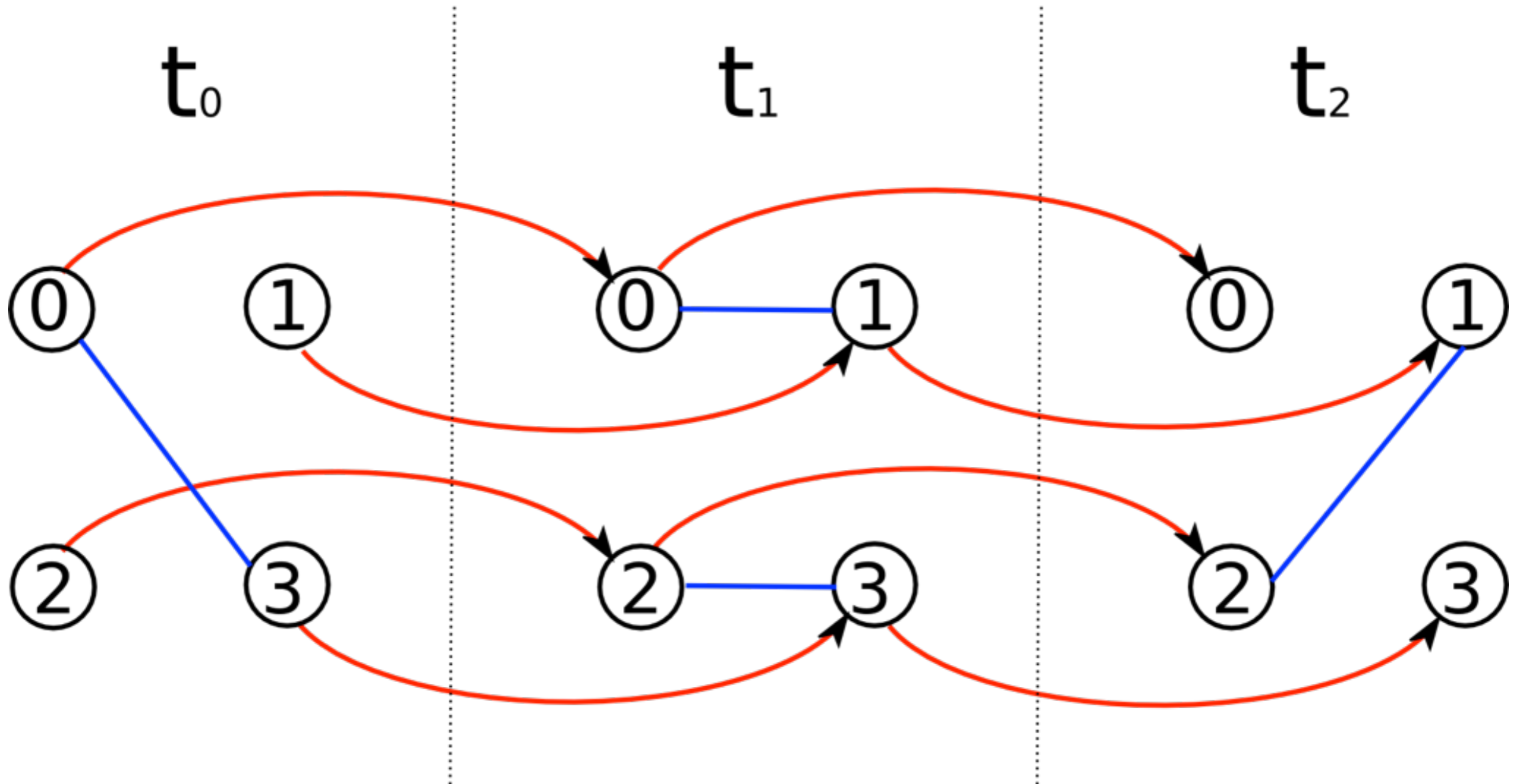
$$G_s = (VT, ET)$$

$$I: V \times T \rightarrow VT$$

$$e_s \in ET \iff e \in E$$

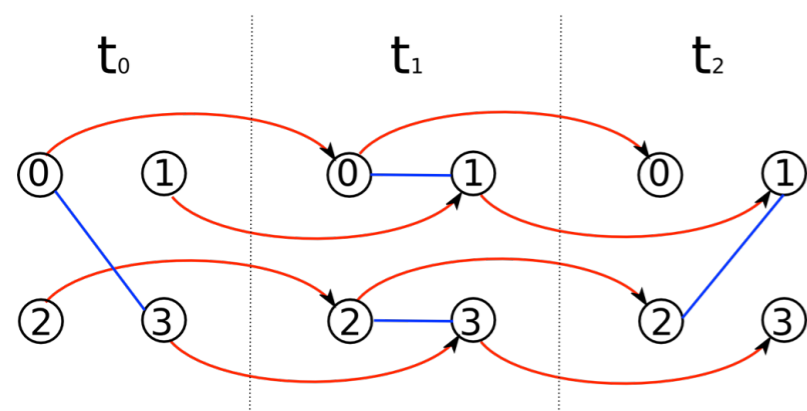


# TVG Example





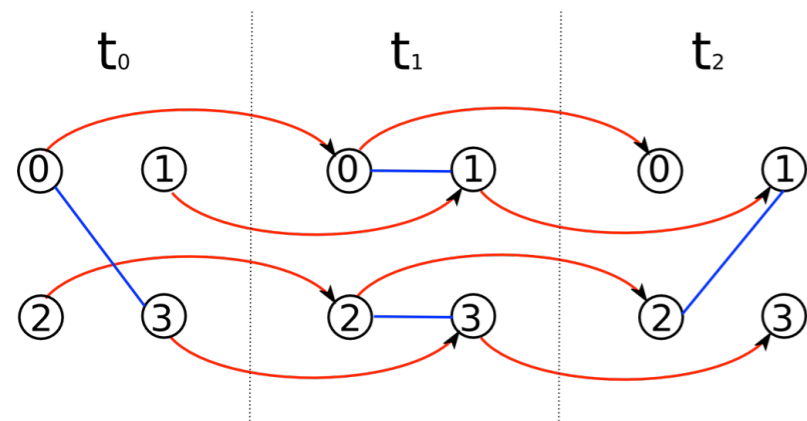
# Spatial Edges



$Mat(\mathbf{A}_{G1}) =$

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0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
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0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	2	
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	3	$t_2$
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
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0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	$t_2$
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# Temporal Edges



$$Mat(\mathbf{A}_{G_1}) =$$

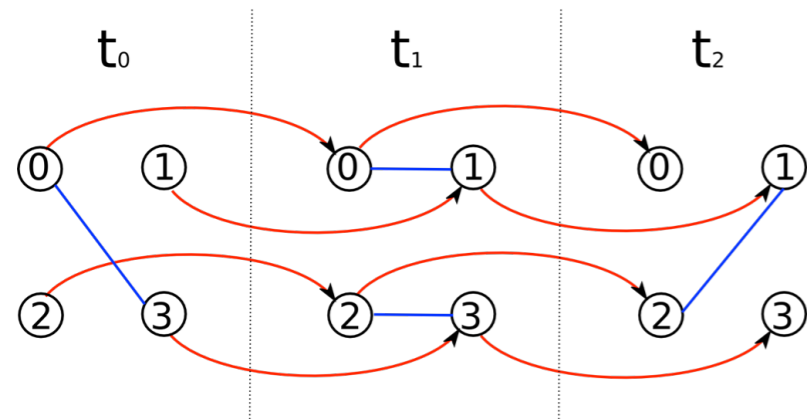
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# Regressive Edges



$$Mat(\mathbf{A}_{G_1}) =$$

0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	$t_0$
0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
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0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	$t_1$
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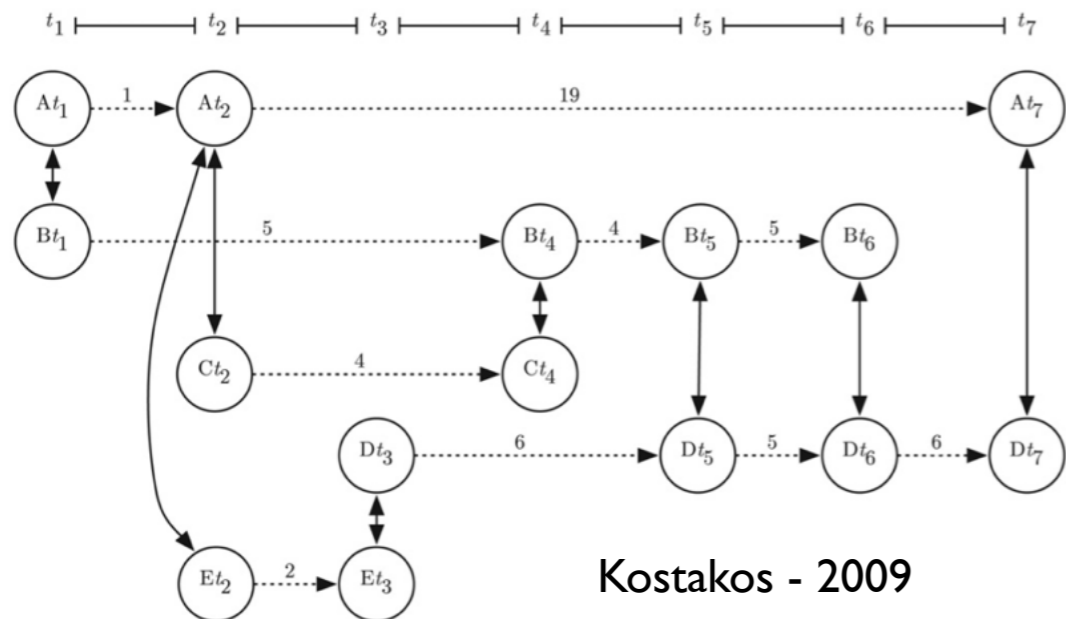
Our proposed model  
unifies  
previous TVG models

i.e. it can represent previous TVG models,  
which can not necessarily represent each other



# Kostakos 2009

nodes can connect to themselves in distinct time instants



Kostakos - 2009

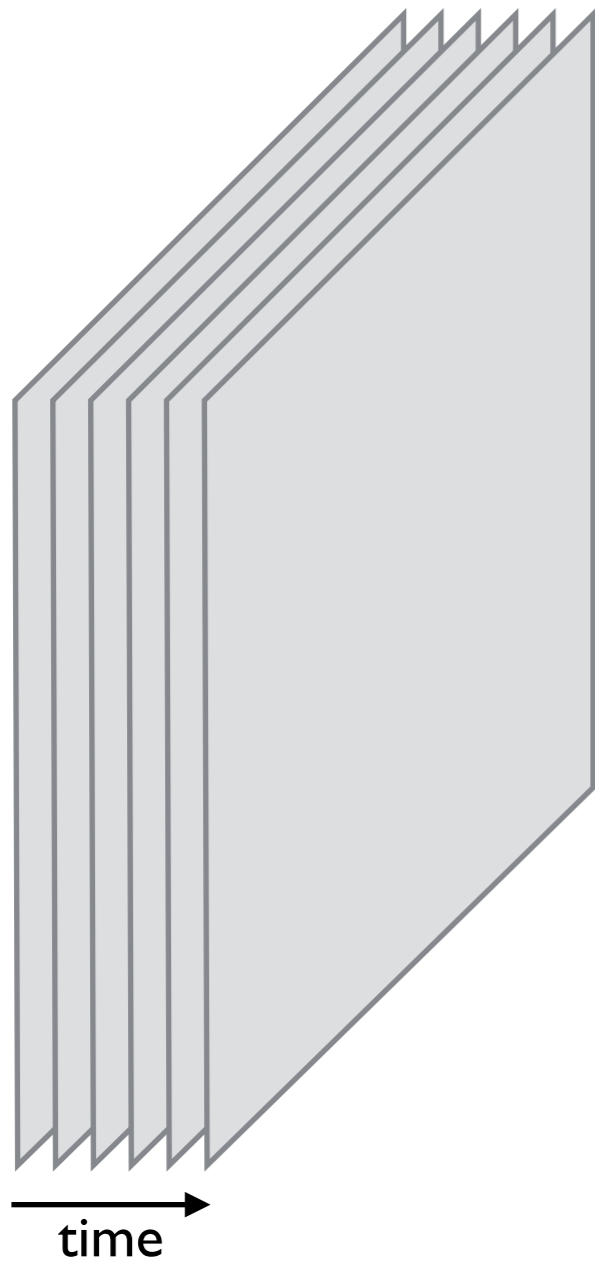
$$Mat(A_{G1}) =$$

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# From TVGs to MultiAspect Graphs (MAGs)

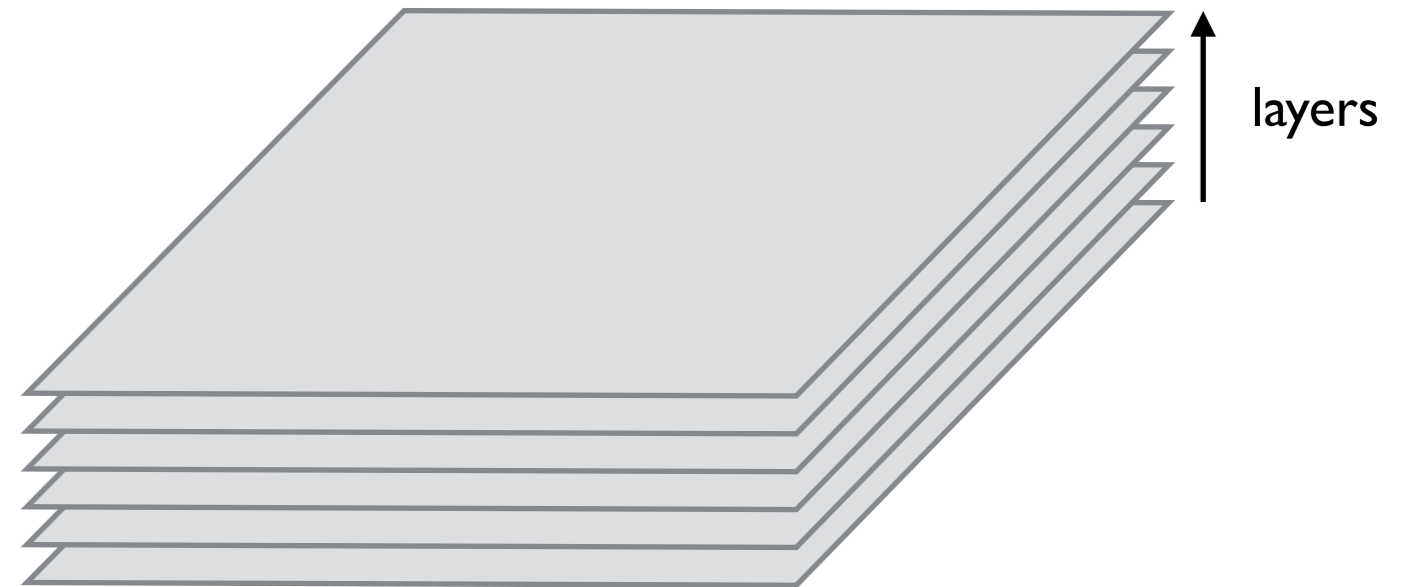
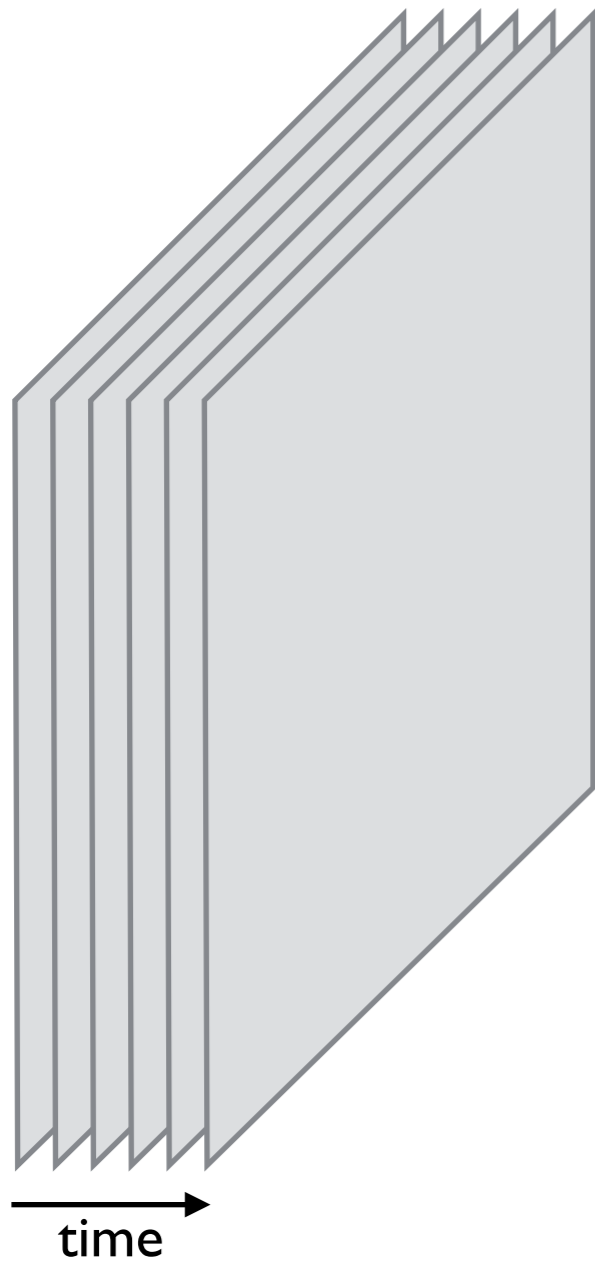
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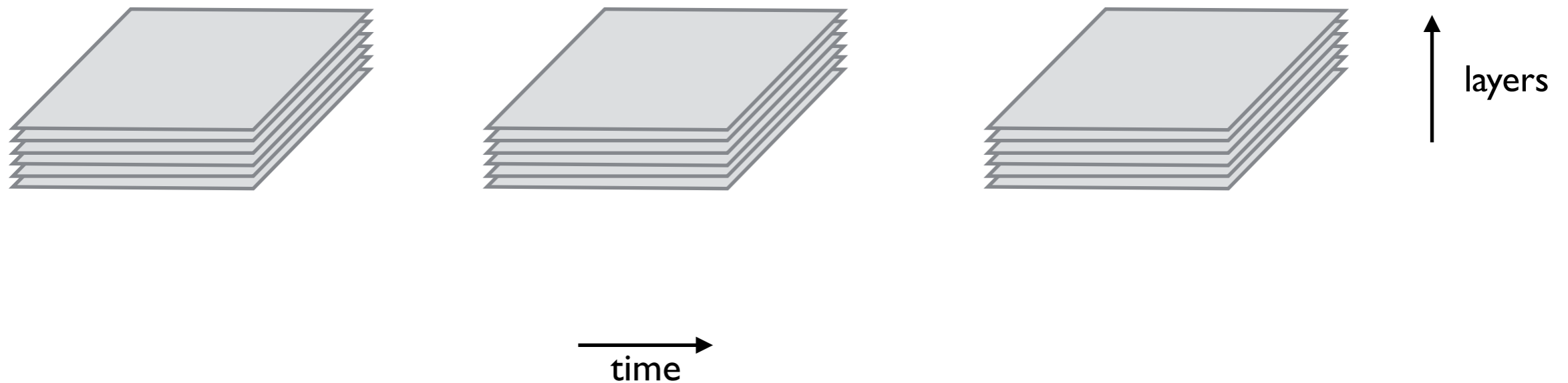
**TVGs:** vertices and time instants as key features





**multilayer networks:**  
vertices and layers  
as key features

**TVGs:** vertices and time instants as key features



**time-varying multilayer networks:**  
vertices, time instants, layers  
as key features

# MultiAspect Graph (MAG)

$$G = (A, E)$$

A : list of **aspects**

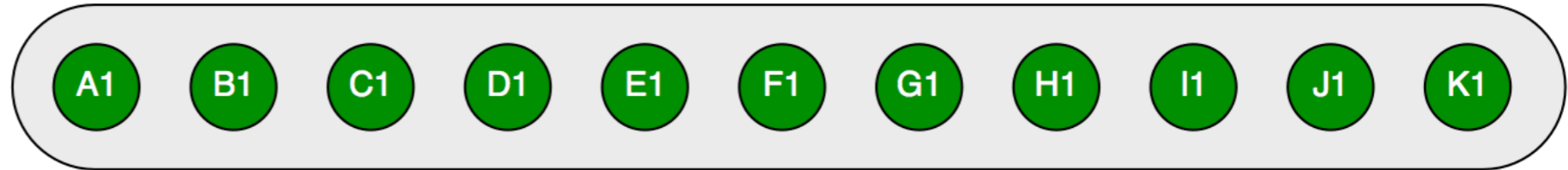
E : set of edges

An **aspect** is a finite set of **independent features** (vertices, time instants, layers, ...)

A **MAG edge** is a tuple of aspect elements (indicating a relation between groups of aspects)

# MAG Aspects

Aspect 1



Aspect 2



Aspect 3



Aspect 4



# MAG Edges

Aspect 1



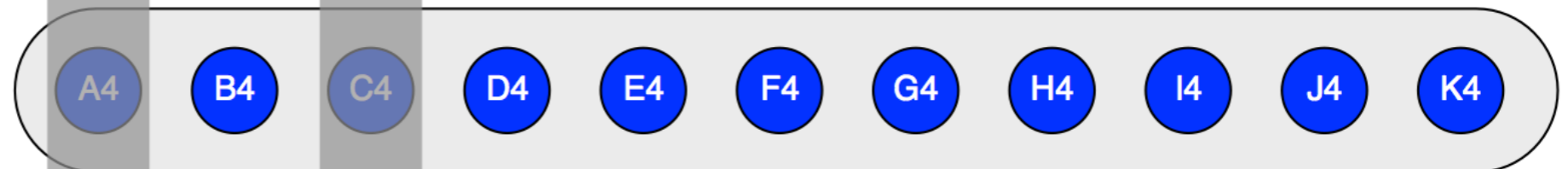
Aspect 2



Aspect 3



Aspect 4



**(A1,A2,A3,A4,C1,C2,C3,C4)**

# MAG Edges

Aspect 1



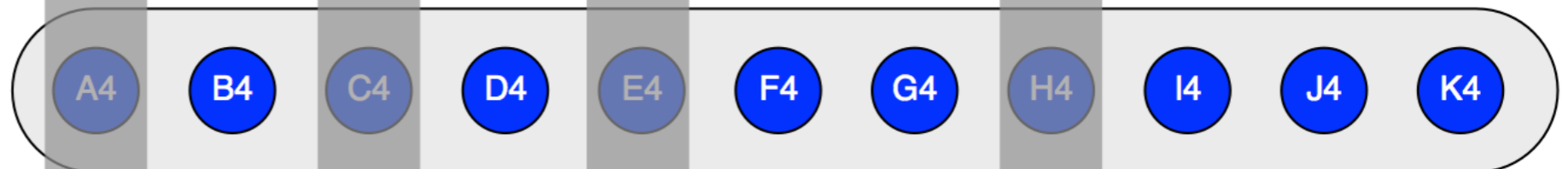
Aspect 2



Aspect 3



Aspect 4



**(A1,A2,A3,A4,C1,C2,C3,C4)**

**(E1,E2,E3,E4,H1,H2,H3,H4)**

# MAG Edges

Aspect 1



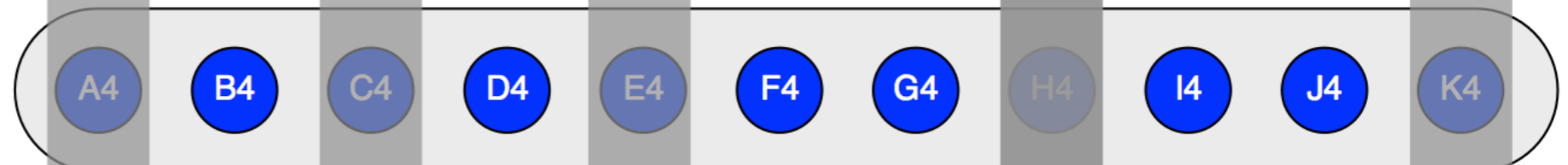
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Aspect 3



Aspect 4



**(A1,A2,A3,A4,C1,C2,C3,C4)**

**(E1,E2,E3,E4,H1,H2,H3,H4)**

**(H1,H2,H3,H4,K1,K2,K3,K4)**



adjacent edges

# MAG Edges

Aspect 1



Aspect 2



Aspect 3



Aspect 4

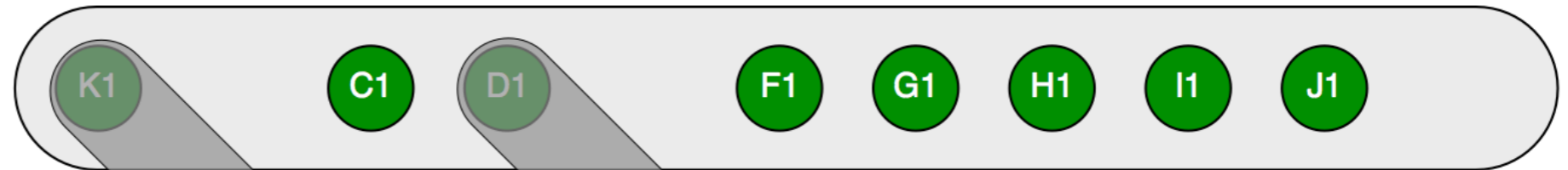


**(J1,B2,C3,D4,H1,G2,F3,F4)**

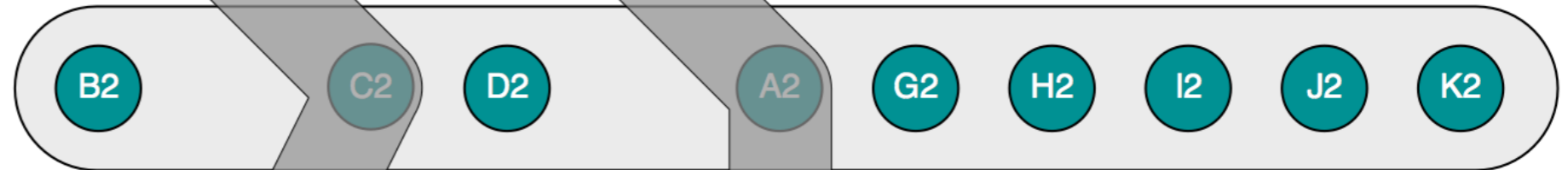


# MAG Edges

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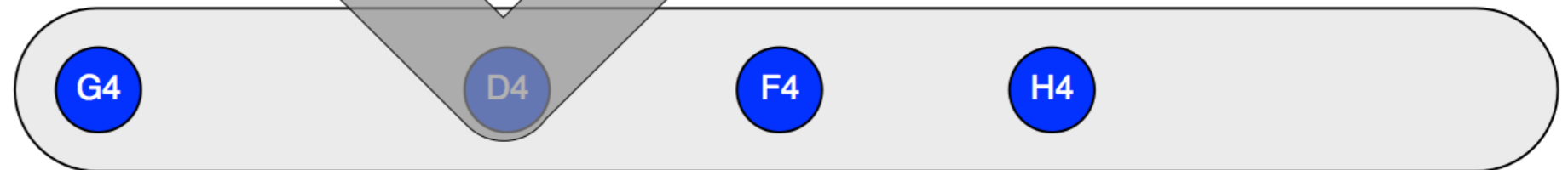
Aspect 2



Aspect 3



Aspect 4



**(K1,C2,B3,D4,D1,A2,F3,D4)**

# MAG illustrative example

## Multimodal transportation system as a 3-aspect MAG

- A[1] - first aspect - vertices
  - bus stops, subway stations, ...
- A[2] - second aspect - layers of transportation networks
  - bus network, subway network, ...
- A[3] - third aspect - schedule - departure and arrival

An edge  $(bs_1, bus, t_a, bs_2, bus, t_b)$  could represent a bus leaving bus stop  $bs_1$  at time  $t_a$  and arriving to bus stop  $bs_2$  at time  $t_b$ .

# MAG Edges

$e = (bs_1, bus, ta, bs_2, bus, tb)$  is an edge from previous example

The number of elements in an edge is always even and equal to twice the number of aspects

$(\underbrace{bs_1, bus, ta}_{\text{origin}}, \underbrace{bs_2, bus, tb}_{\text{destination}})$

Composite Vertices

From the edge structure, it follows that the **isomorphism to traditional oriented graphs** found for TVGs can be extended to MAGs

# Final remarks

The structure of a MAG is similar to an **even uniform hypergraph**

Nevertheless, the **additional structure** imposed upon the way an edge is constructed on a MAG employs the concept of even uniform hypergraphs in a fashion which **better suits** the intended application of modelling multi-layered dynamic networked systems

Similar idea with some variations appeared recently in Kivelä et al. “Multilayer Networks”, Journal of Complex Networks (Oxford Press), latest version 18-Aug-2014

# Final remarks: MAG Applications

MultiAspect Graph  $G = (A,E)$

<b> A </b>	<b>Composite Vertex</b>	<b>Edge</b>	<b>Examples</b>
1	simple objects	pairs	traditional directed graph
2	pairs	quadruples	TVG; multilayer graph
3	triples	sextuples	time-varying multilayer graph
4	quadruples	octuples	...

# On-going work

- Algebraic MAG representation and algorithms
- Centrality on MAGs

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