

A Complex Network Approach of Go Game



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I The Game of Go

- Game of go: **very ancient Asian game**, probably originated in China in Antiquity
- Different name for different country :
 - Japan = **Go**
 - China = **Weiqi**
 - Korea = **Baduk**



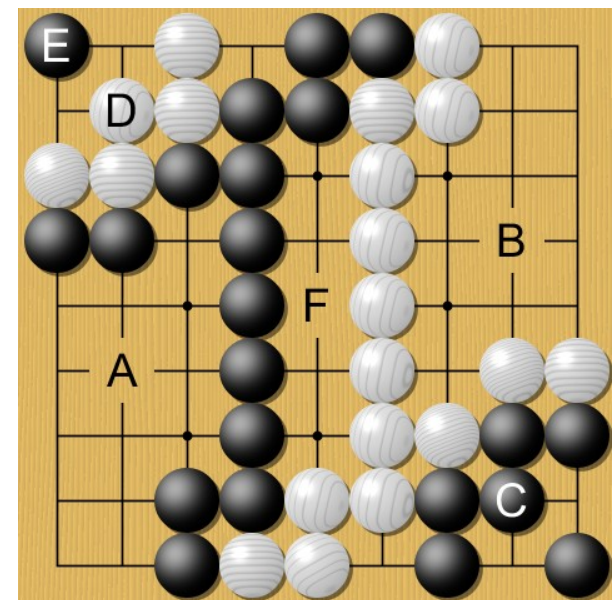
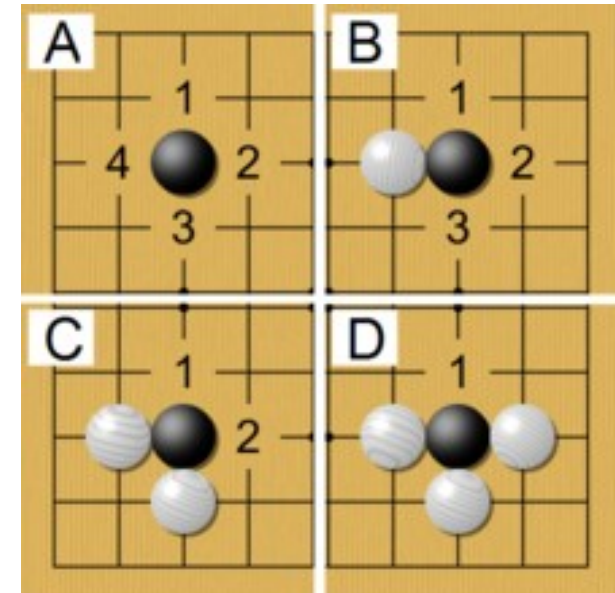
I The Game of Go

- Go is a **very popular game** in asia, this game is payed on a **goban** (see below)



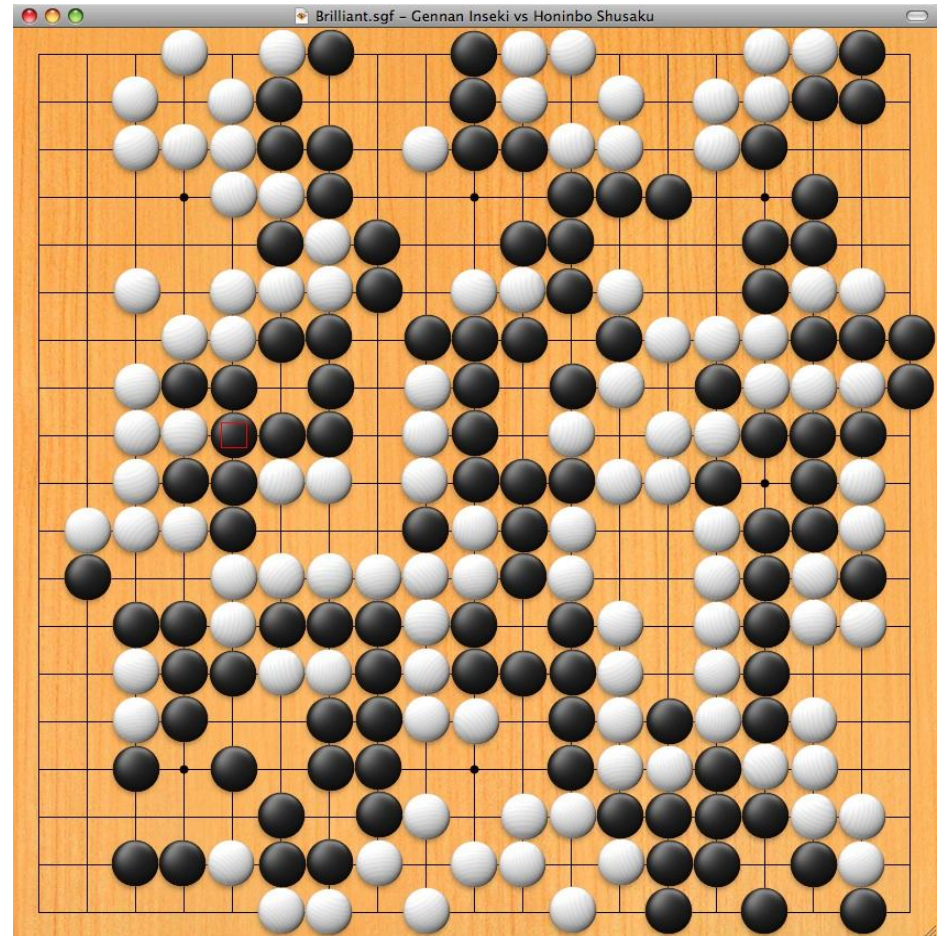
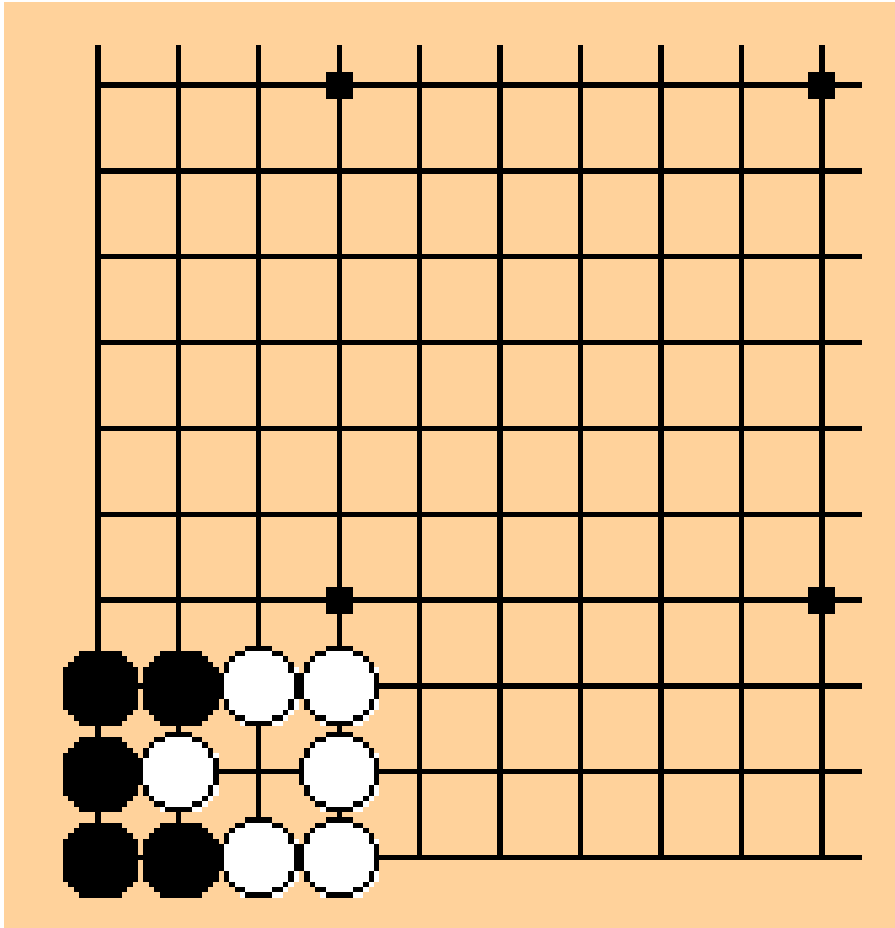
1.1 Rules of Go

- **White and black stones** alternatively put at **intersections** of *19 X 19 lines*
- **Stones without liberties** are removed
- A chain with **only one liberty** is said in **atari**
- **Handicap stones** can be placed
- Aim of the game : construct **protected territories**



1.1 Rules of Go

- A **ko** (left) and **endgame** (right) example :



1.2 Player rankings

- There are **nine levels (dans)** of **professionals** followed by **nine levels** of **amateurs**
- A **handicap stone** can **compensate for roughly one dan**: like in golfing, players of different levels can play evenly thanks to handicaps
- There are **regular tournaments** of go since very long times



1.3 Computer Simulations

- While **Deep Blue** beat the world chess champion **Kasparov** in **1997**, **Only since 2016** a computer **program** (AlphaGo) has **beaten** one of the **best go player**:
 - March **2016**: It **wins 4-1** vs. **Lee Sedol** (**world No.3** ranked player)
 - May **2017**: It **wins 3-0** vs. **Ke Jie** (**world No.1** ranked player)
- **Difficult** game to **simulate**:
 - Total **number** of legal **positions** 10^{171} vs. 10^{50} for chess
 - Not easy** to assign **positional advantage** to a move
- **AlphaGo** uses **Monte Carlo tree search** algorithm and **deep learning** techniques, It can **play random games** during a game in order to **assigned a value** to a move

1.4 Databases

- **Human** played games :
 - 8000 amateur games (<http://www.u-go.net/>)
- **Computer generated** games :
 - 8000 games with **deterministic** algorithm (**Gnugo**)
 - 8000 games with **Monte Carle** search tree algorithm (**Fuego**)
 - Only **50 AlphaGo vs AlphaGo** Games (<http://senseis.xmp.net/?AlphaGo>)

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II Complex Directed Network Model

- $G := (E, V)$ is a **network** (graph) composed of N_E **links** (Edges) linking N_V **nodes** (Vertices)
- Each **link** has a **direction** from the **outgoing** node i toward the **incoming** node j .
- A first **statistical** investigation is the **integrated distribution** of **links** in a **network** :

The **degree** $K(i)_{in/out}$ is the **number of link** (incoming or outgoing) of the **i -th node**

$P(K_{in/out})$ is the **probability** to having **at least K links** (in/out) for a given **node**

=> **Classification** of networks, ex : (Scale-free, Random..)

II Complex Directed Network Model

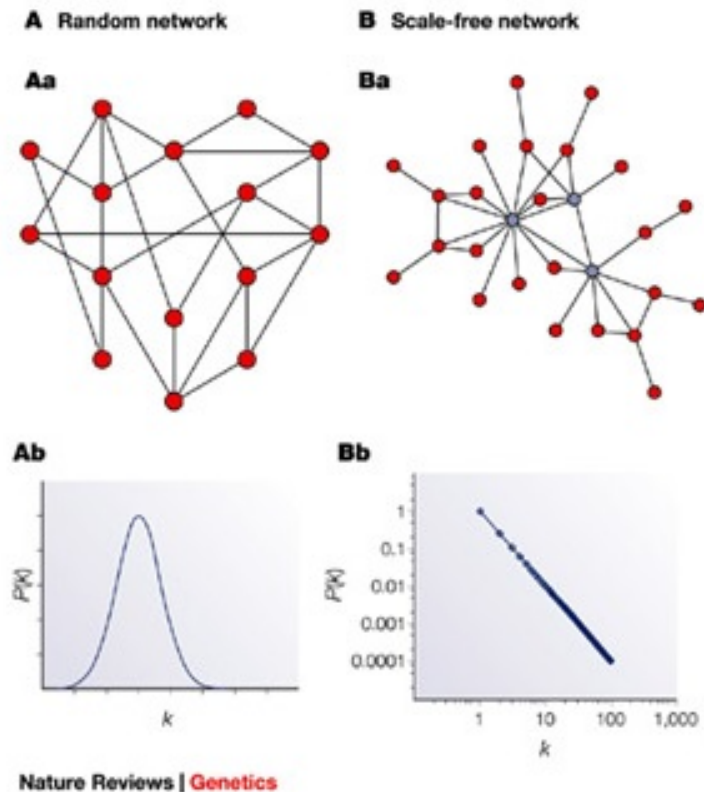


Fig. 1: Two types of networks (Top), their respective integrated links distribution (Bottom)

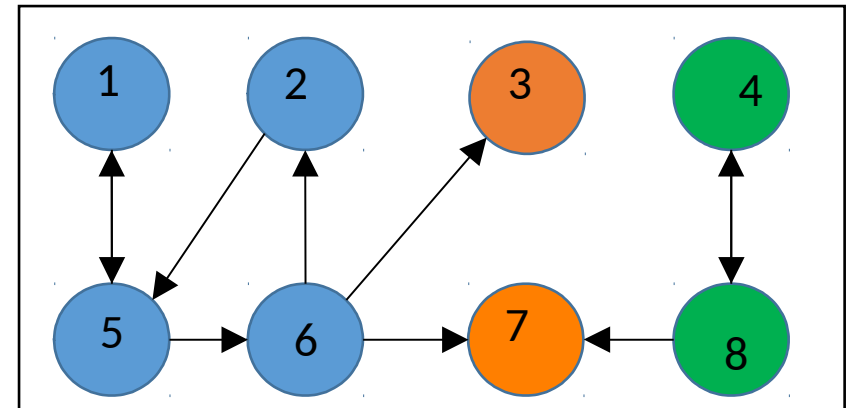


Fig. 2: Directed network, 8 nodes and 10 links. **dangling node** and **dangling group**

$P(k_{in/out}) = k^\gamma \Rightarrow$ **Power law** \Rightarrow **Scale-free network**

Particularities :

Hubs (Nodes with **highest degree**)

Small-world phenomenon

Examples : **Social** networks, **protein-protein interaction**, **WWW** and **semantic** network

2.1 Nodes and local fight pattern

- We propose to use **square** of **3X3 intersections**

$N_v = 1107$ nonequivalent patterns with **empty centers**:

symmetrically different

different by color swapping

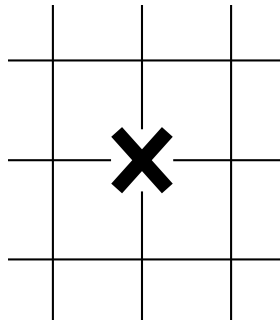


Fig. 3: Node "0"

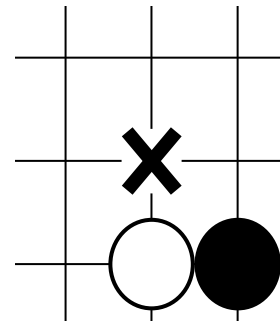
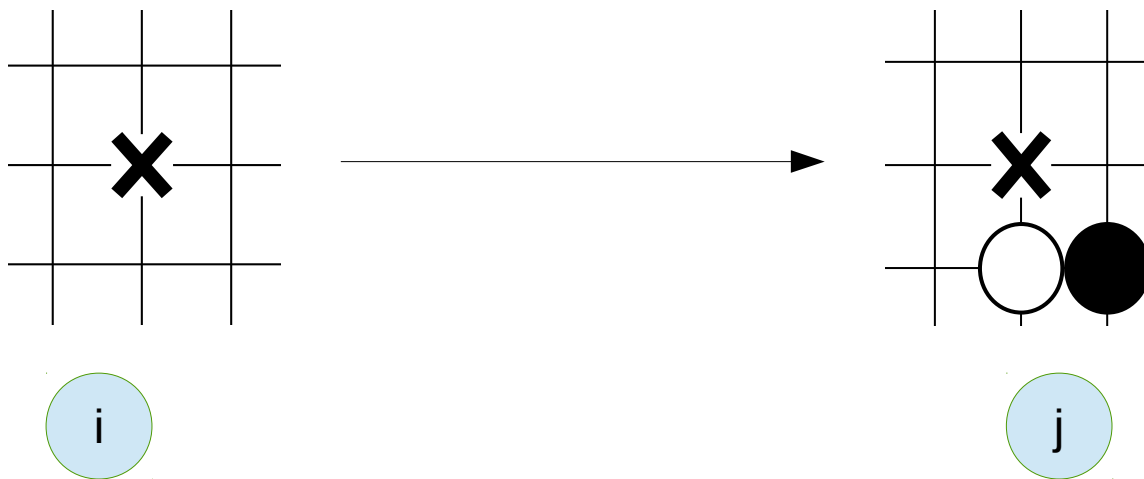


Fig. 4: Node "7"

2.2 Links and strategy bias

- We propose to use $d_s = 4$ as a **strategic distance** between two **linked nodes**
- **Time-directed** links
- Finally if the node $j (h_j, v_j)$ is **played after** (during the **same game**) the node $i (h_i, v_i)$ and if we have $\max\{ |h_j - h_i|, |v_j - v_i| \} \leq d_s$



2.3 A Scale-free Network

- **Integrated distribution of links** for each kind of network (**Human, Gnugo and Fuego**) represents **scale-free networks** with **high symmetry** between **in/out links** ($\gamma = -1$)
- Due to the **construction method** => as we take **consecutive games** within a database for our network a **node** is **often** a **source** and a **destination** of a **link**
- **Value of K for hubs (rightmost points)** within **human network** is **higher** than in both **computers network** => **human** seems to **prefer** certain **moves independently** of the **global strategy**
- There are more **oscillations** for **Gnugo** and **Fuego**

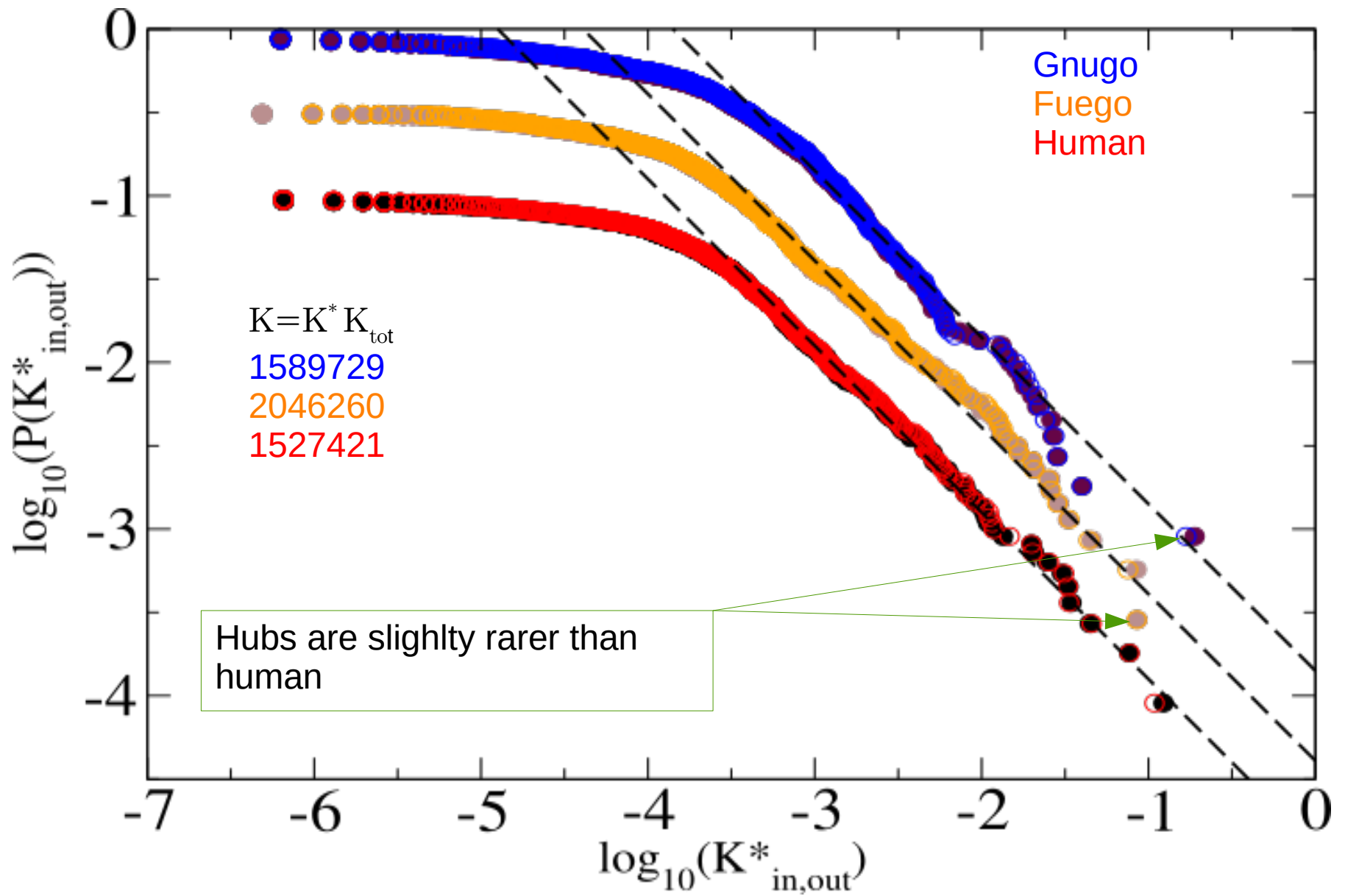


Fig. 5: Integrated link distribution for Gnugo/Fuego/Human

Can we have more information
about network structure ?

Is there any difference between
human and computer network ?

III Google Matrix and PageRanking

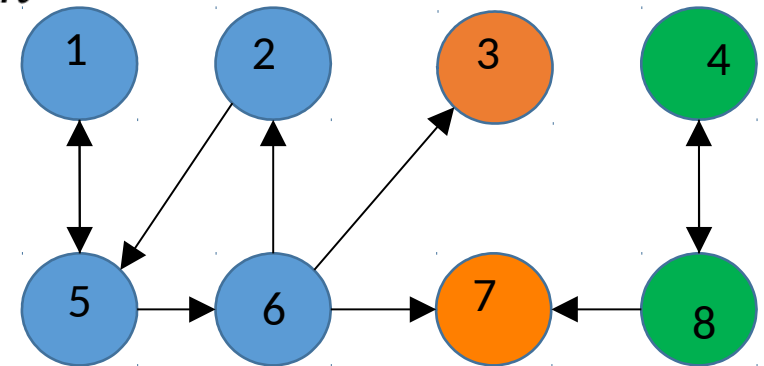
$$H_{ij} = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{l_j} & \text{si } P_j \in B_i \\ 0 & \text{sinon} \end{cases} \Rightarrow S_{ij} = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{N_V} & \text{si } \forall i H_{ik} = 0 \\ H_{ij} & \text{sinon} \end{cases}$$

$$G_{ij} = \alpha S_{ij} + (1 - \alpha) \frac{1}{N}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1/8 & 0 & 1/2 & 0 & 1/8 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1/8 & 0 & 0 & 1/3 & 1/8 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1/8 & 0 & 0 & 1/3 & 1/8 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1/8 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1/8 & 1/2 \\ 1 & 1 & 1/8 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1/8 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1/8 & 0 & 1/2 & 0 & 1/8 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1/8 & 0 & 0 & 1/3 & 1/8 & 1/2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1/8 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1/8 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

Fig. 6: S_{ij}

H : **Hyperlinks Matrix**
 S : **Left Stochastic Matrix** (eachc column summing to 1)
 G : **Google Matrix**



$$\begin{pmatrix} 3/160 & 3/160 & 1/8 & 3/160 & 139/320 & 3/160 & 1/8 & 0 \\ 3/160 & 3/160 & 1/8 & 3/160 & 3/160 & 139/480 & 1/8 & 0 \\ 3/160 & 3/160 & 1/8 & 3/160 & 3/160 & 139/480 & 1/8 & 0 \\ 3/160 & 3/160 & 1/8 & 3/160 & 3/160 & 3/160 & 1/8 & 1/2 \\ 139/160 & 139/160 & 1/8 & 3/160 & 3/160 & 3/160 & 1/8 & 0 \\ 3/160 & 3/160 & 1/8 & 3/160 & 139/320 & 3/160 & 1/8 & 0 \\ 3/160 & 3/160 & 1/8 & 3/160 & 3/160 & 139/480 & 1/8 & 1/2 \\ 3/160 & 3/160 & 1/8 & 139/160 & 3/160 & 3/160 & 1/8 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

Fig. 7: G_{ij}

l_j : **number of outgoing link** from P_j
 B_j : **ensemble of nodes** with outgoing links **toward j**
 α : **damping factor**

3.1 Perron's Vector

- Let A be a real, non-negative and asymmetric Matrix with each column summing to 1 \Rightarrow every eigenvalues are less or equal in absolute value to 1
- The perron vector is the leading eigenvector associated with $\lambda=1$

Such that : $Ap = p$

- This vector represents the asymptotic time a random walker spend in each node of the network

3.2 Google PageRanking

- Using **Perron-Frobenius theorem** and iterative method => **Ranking Indexed webpage** by importance order
- A node i is more **important** if it is **pointing** by **important nodes**...
- The **importance** of a **node** is **proportional** to its **value** within google matrix **perron's vector**
- **Damping factor** turns S into a **diagonalisable** matrix with **no degenerated leading eigenvalue**

$a \in [0, 1]$, we will take the value **0.85**

3.3 PageRank

- p is a Perron's vector with size N

We call P , the PageRank with $1 \leq P_k \leq N$

as the permutation of integers obtained by ranking in decreasing order according to the entries p_i of the Perron's vector

such that $\Rightarrow p_{P(1)} \geq p_{P(2)} \geq \dots \geq p_{P(N)}$

3.4 Other Ranking Vector

- CheiRank is the PageRank applied to the reciprocal network inverting incoming and outgoing links
- We can also use the other eigenvectors => information about different communities of nodes in the network

IV Distinguishing Human from Computer Strategy

- In the **game of go** case, our **directed network** reveals the **strategy** used within a **databank** of **games**
- The associated **PageRank** lights us about the **most important moves played** within the databank
- Let see here **how can** most **important moves** and **eigenvalues** for each network **be involved** in a **Turing-like test** => Is the **computer imitate** a **human player** ?

4.1 Top20

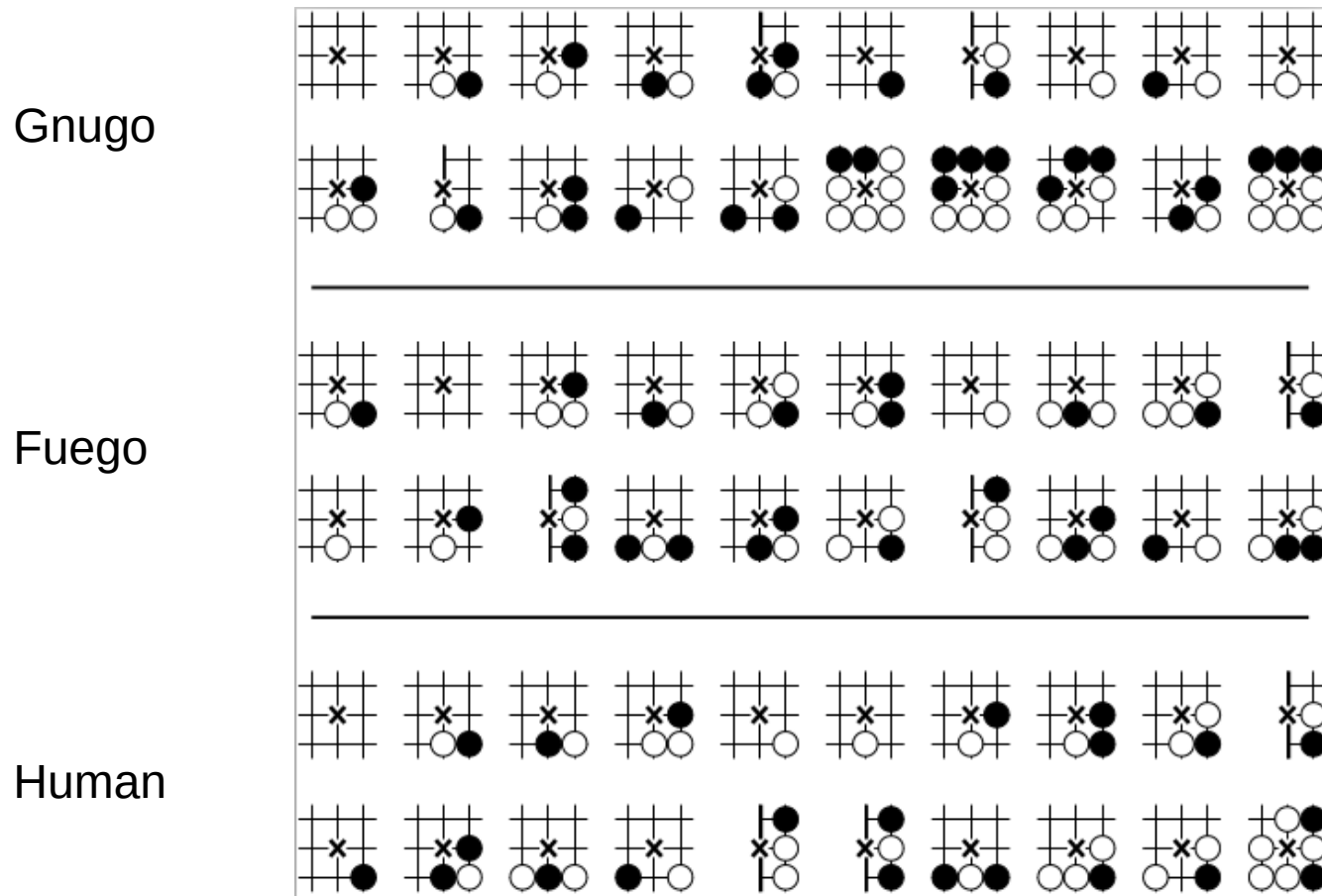


Fig. 8: Top 20 of the PageRank, for Gnugo only **12** elements are in Human Top20 and for Fuego **18** elements are in Human Top20

4.2 PageRank Correlation

- We plot the **correlation** between **the first half of the entries** for two **PageRanks** A and B
- In order to **quantify** we compute σ **the dispersion**

$$\sigma(A, B) = \left(\frac{\sum_{k=1}^{\lfloor N/2 \rfloor} (a_k - b_k)^2}{\lfloor N/2 \rfloor} \right)^{1/2}$$

Human/Gnugo PageRank Correlation plots have a high **dispersion** value (**193.48**) contrary to **Gnugo/Gnugo** (**24.04**) and **Human/Human** (**43.66**)

4000

1000

8000

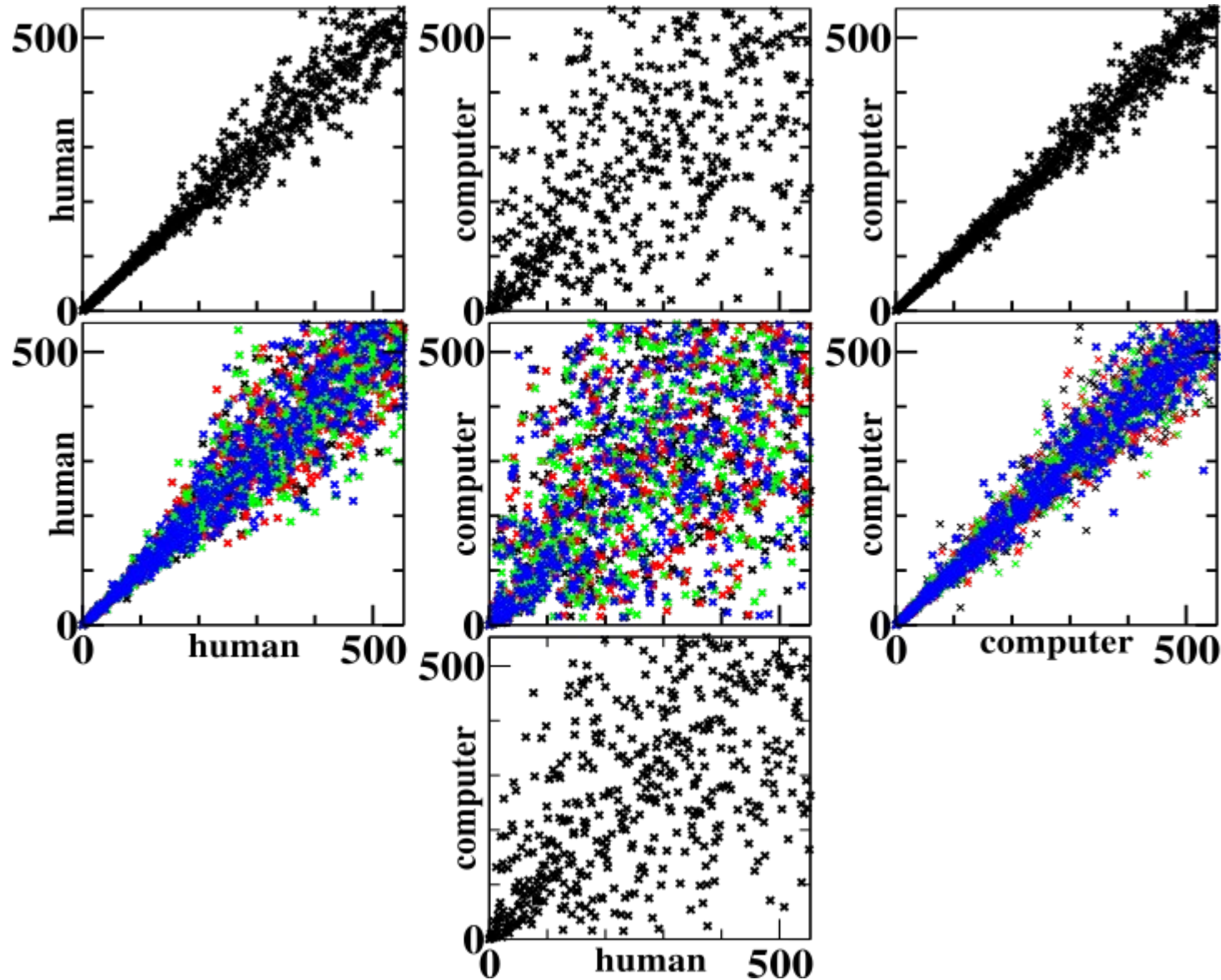


Fig. 9: PageRank correlation, *first column = human vs. Human, second column = computer vs. Human and last column = computer vs. computer*

4.3 Spectrum of Google Matrix

- Spectrum using 8000 games and $\alpha = 1$:

Google matrix properties :

the eigenvalues lie inside the unit disk

complex ones occur in conjugated pairs

Gnugo => scattered spectrum

Fuego => similarity with Human but there are many outlying eigenvalues

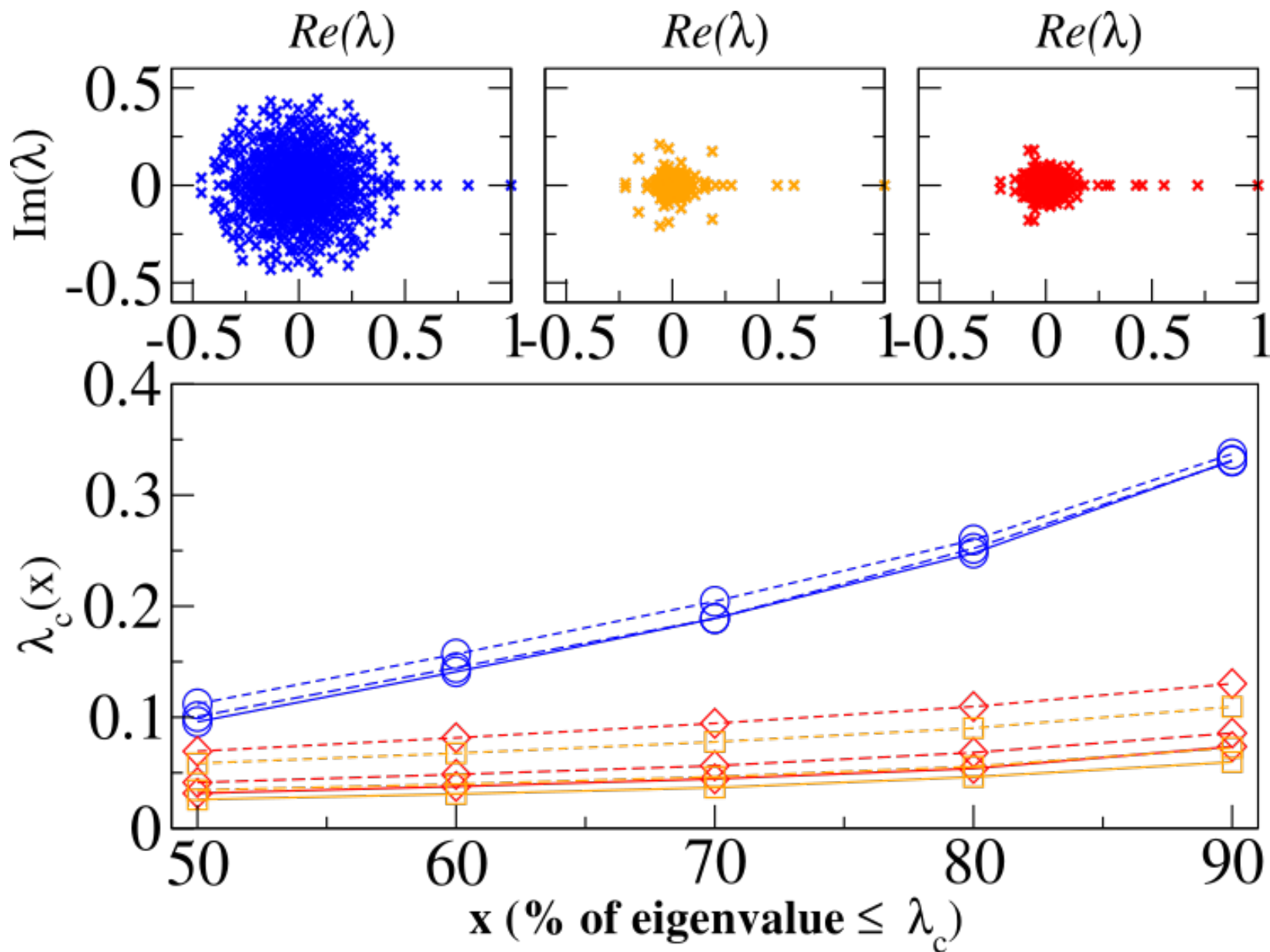
- $\lambda_c(x)$ = radius of a circle (centred at 0) containing a certain percentage x of eigenvalues

=> more quantitative informations

=> striking differences between the two behaviours

=> robust results with subset size

Fig. 10: Spectrum of the Google matrix for **Gnugo**, **Fuego** and **Human** with 8000-games network and $\alpha = 1.0$ (top row). Radial distribution of eigenvalues (bottom) same color code, solid line for 8000, long dashed 4000 and dashed 1000 games



4.4 Distinguishing with PageRank

- We want to compare PageRanks from different networks

240 sets of 1000-games network, 120 of 2000-games network and 60 of 4000-games network

1 master group of 8000 games

different quantities : PageRank Fidelity F and PageRank Non-ordered PageRank Similarity S_N

$$F = \left| \sum_{i=1}^N \phi_i^* \psi_i \right|$$

$$S_N(A, B) = \sum_{i=1}^{30} \frac{f_{bis}(i)}{30}$$

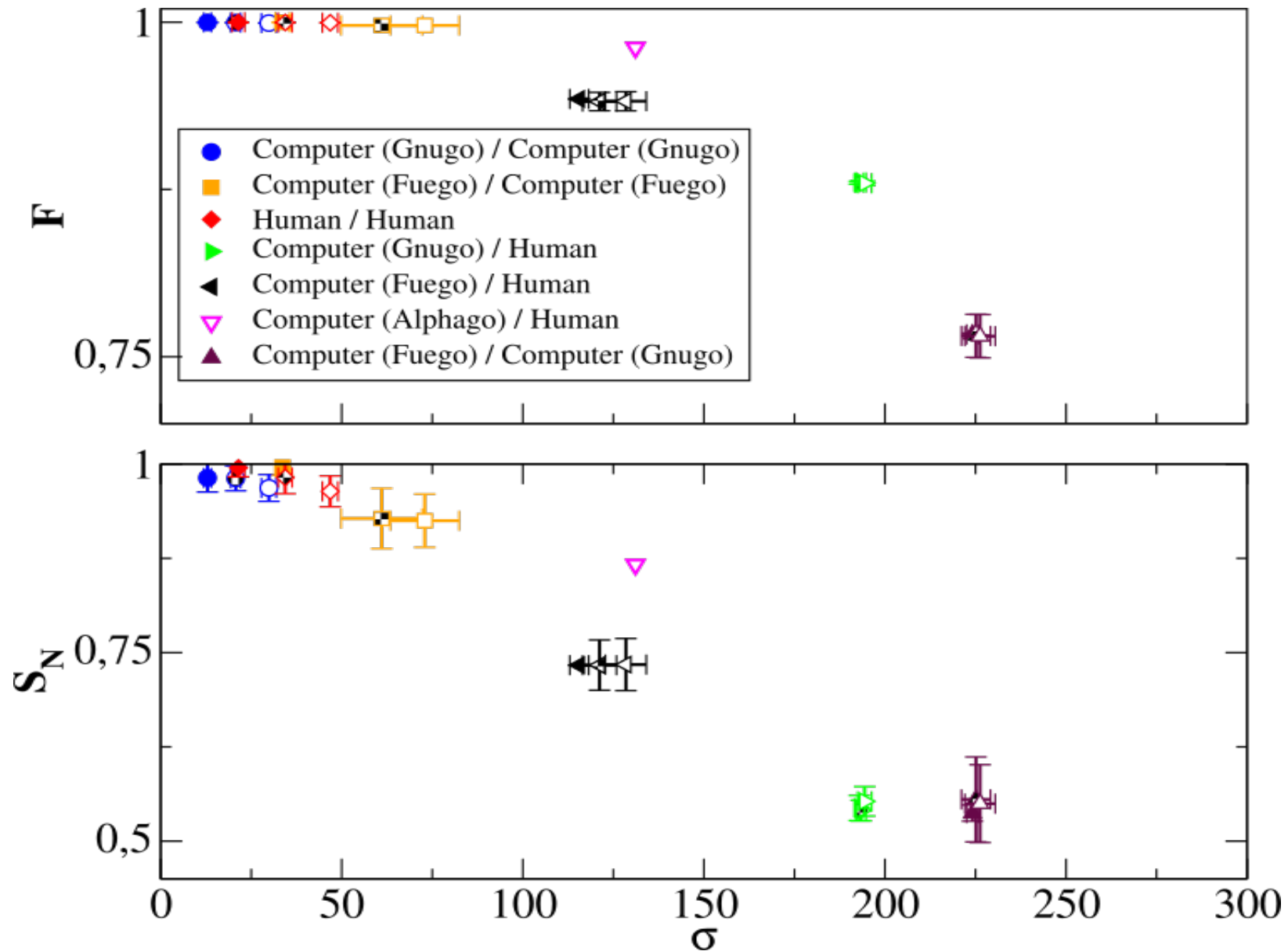
Perron's vectors normalized using a norm-2 condition

$F = 0 \Rightarrow$ totally different

$F = 1 \Rightarrow$ same vectors

$$f_{bis}(i) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } \exists j \in [1; 30] \text{ such that } a_i = b_j \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

4.5 Toward a Turing-like Test for go



Conclusion

- **Networks** built from **computer-generated games** and **human-played games** have **statistically significant differences** in several respects :
 - **Google matrix Spectra**
 - **PageRank vector**
 - **Differences** using different **algorithms**
 - **Deterministic** (Gnugo), **Monte-Carlo** (Fuego) and even with a small database with **deep learning** simulator (AlphaGo)
- => In **general** the **computer plays** using more **varied** set of most **played moves**, but with more **correlation** between **games** for **Gnugo**
- => We could **devise** a **Turing test** for the **go simulators**

Does this simulator imitate very well a biological palyer ?

Thank you

