

# *Financial Distress Propagation in Japanese Credit Network*

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## DebtRank Analysis of the Japanese Credit Network

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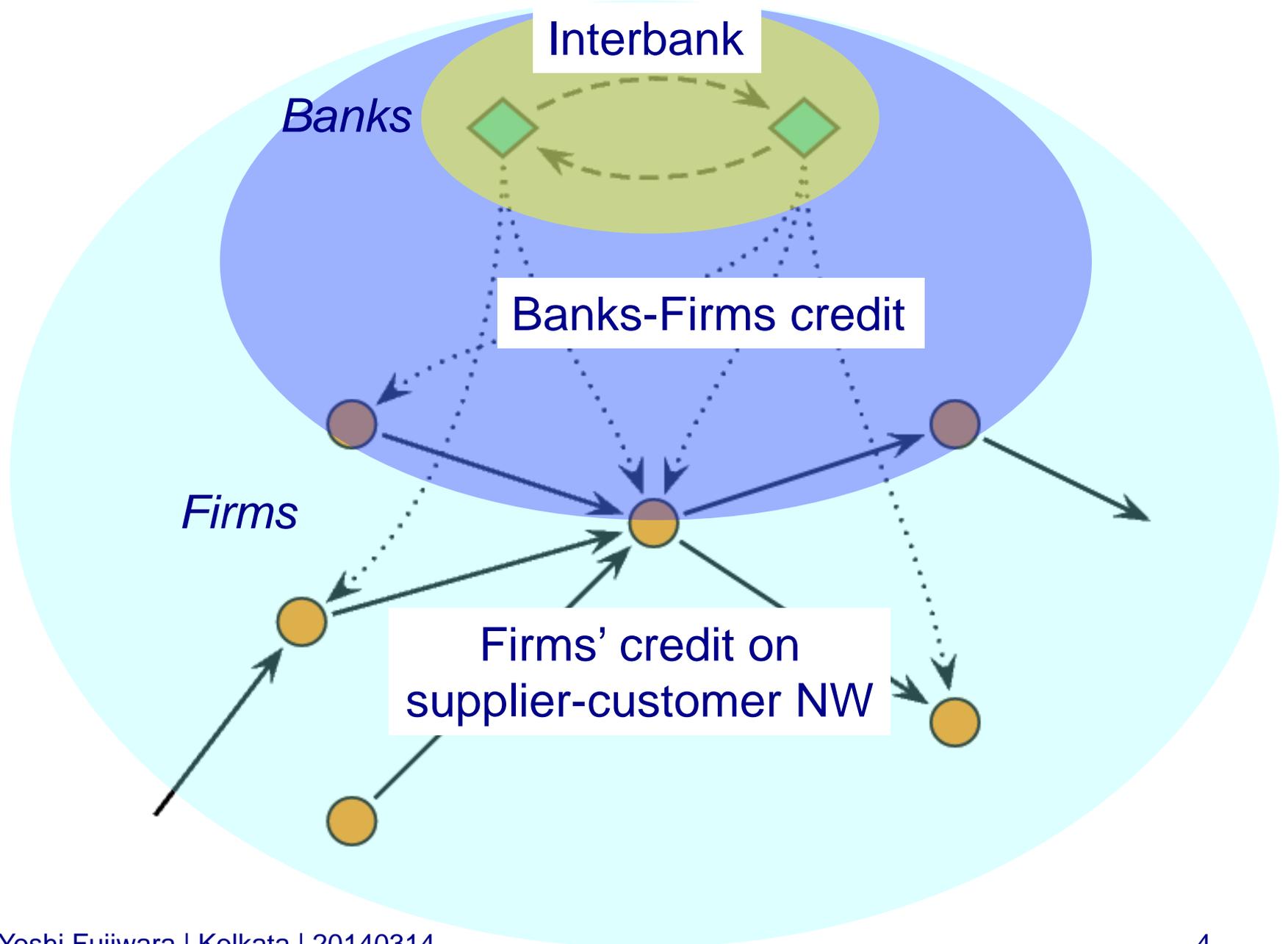
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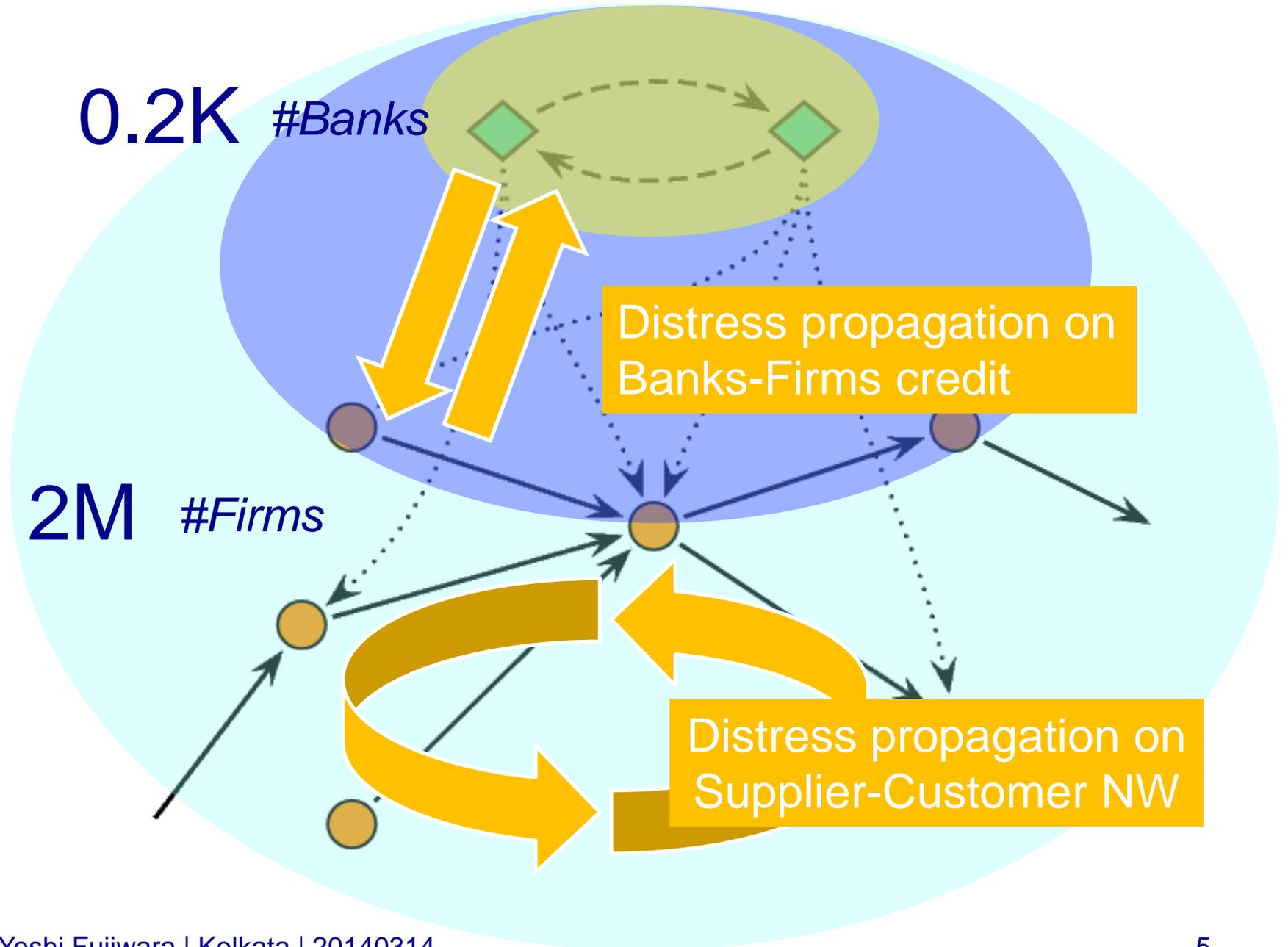


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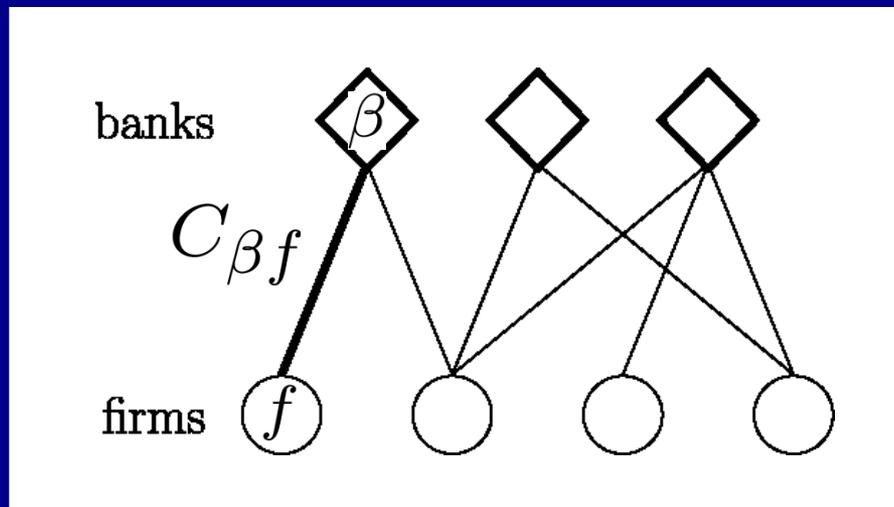
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# Banks-firms Credit NW

**Credit network** between banks and firms  
= *bipartite graph* with weights



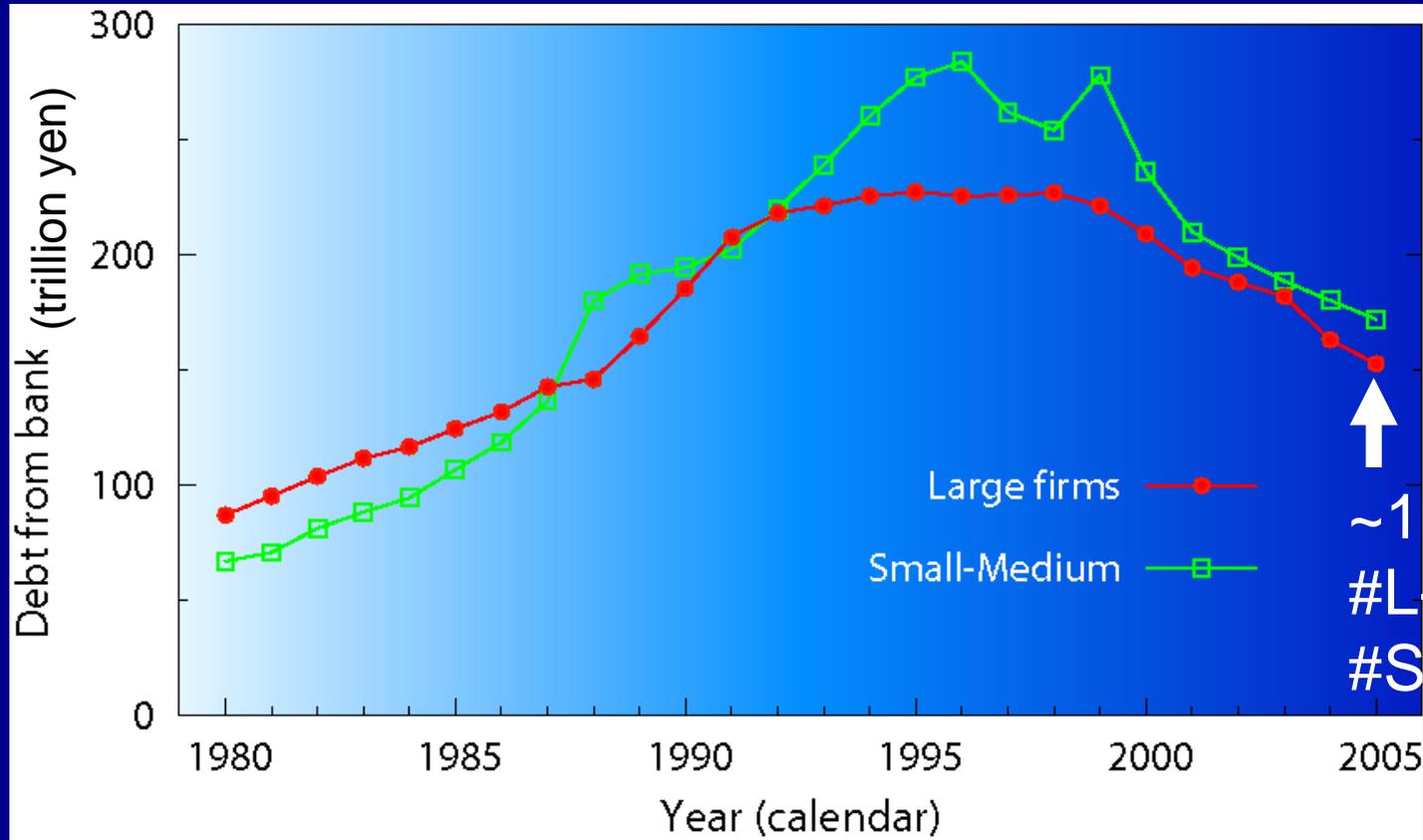
$C_{\beta f}$   
= *amount of credit*

# Data

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- **firms: listed** in Japanese stock-exchange markets covering **large firms**
- based on financial statements & surveys by *Nikkei, Inc.*
- short-term + long-term borrowings from financial institutions
  
- **banks: commercial** banks are selected
  - long-term and city banks
  - regional (primary/secondary)
  - trust banks
  - insurance companies
  - others (credit associations, agricultural, Shoko Chukin)

# Firms' debt from banks

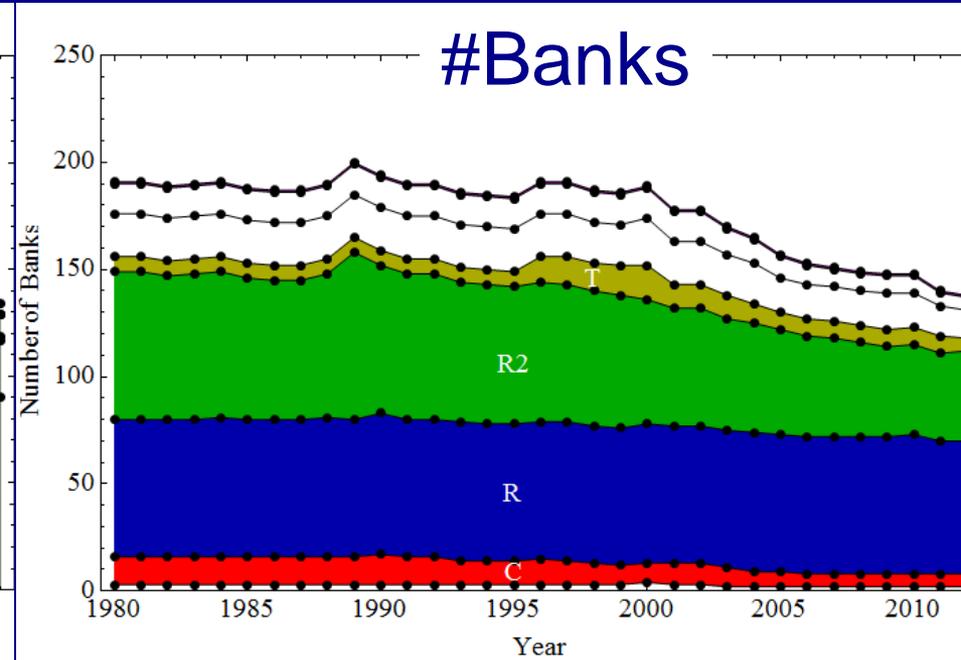
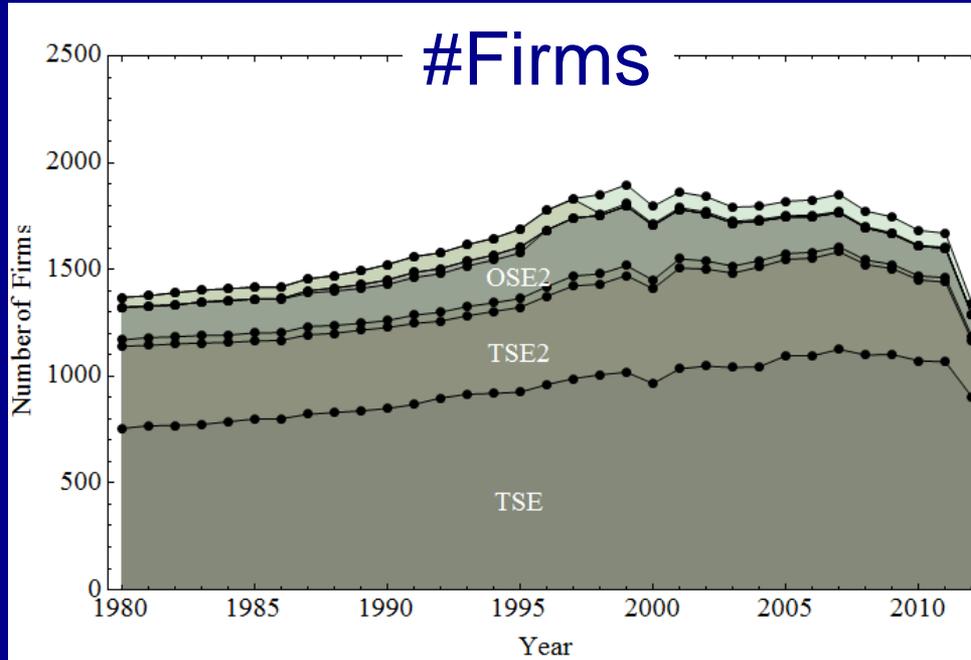


Large: capitalized at 100M yen or more  
Small-Medium: otherwise

Source: *Small & Medium Enterprise Agency (2008)*

- annual *snapshots*: from 1980 to 2011
- bankrupted / merged banks in each yr;
- surviving firms in each yr;

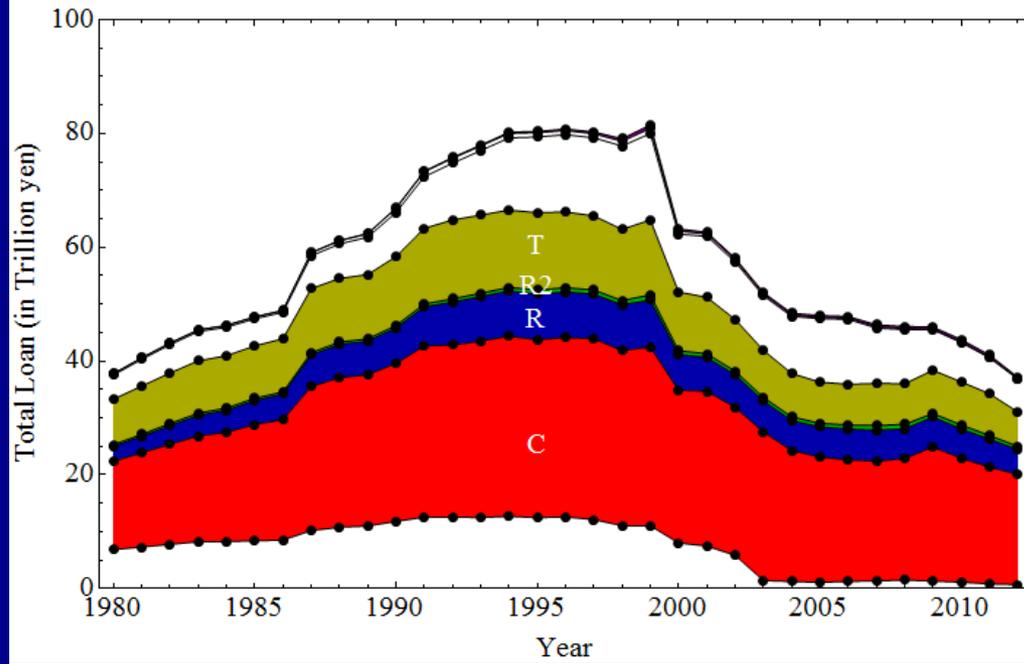
#banks ~ 200  
#firms ~ 2,000



TSE: Tokyo Stock Exchange  
OSE: Osaka Stock Exchange

- City bank
- Regional bank
- 2nd Regional bank
- Trust bank
- Credit Associaton

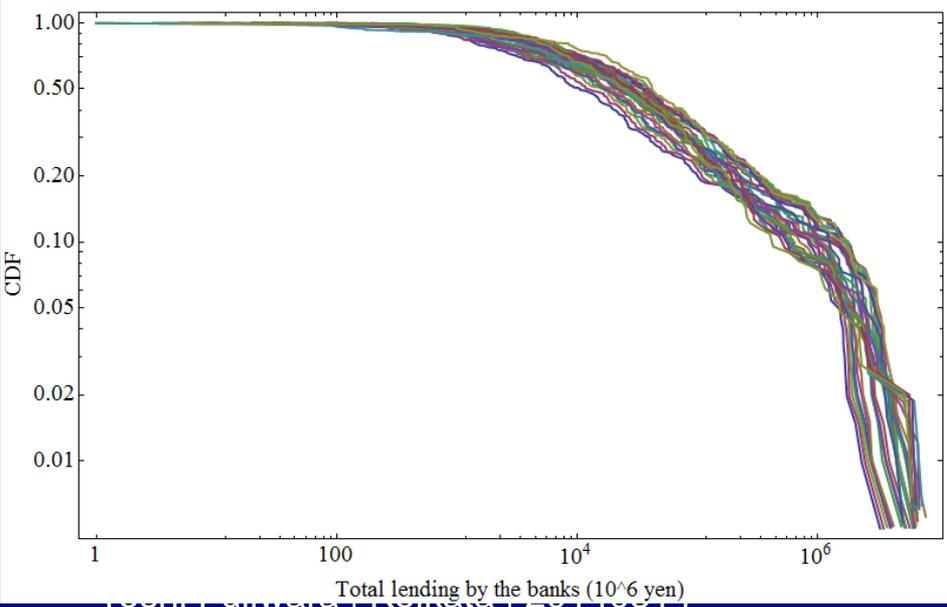
# Total Loan



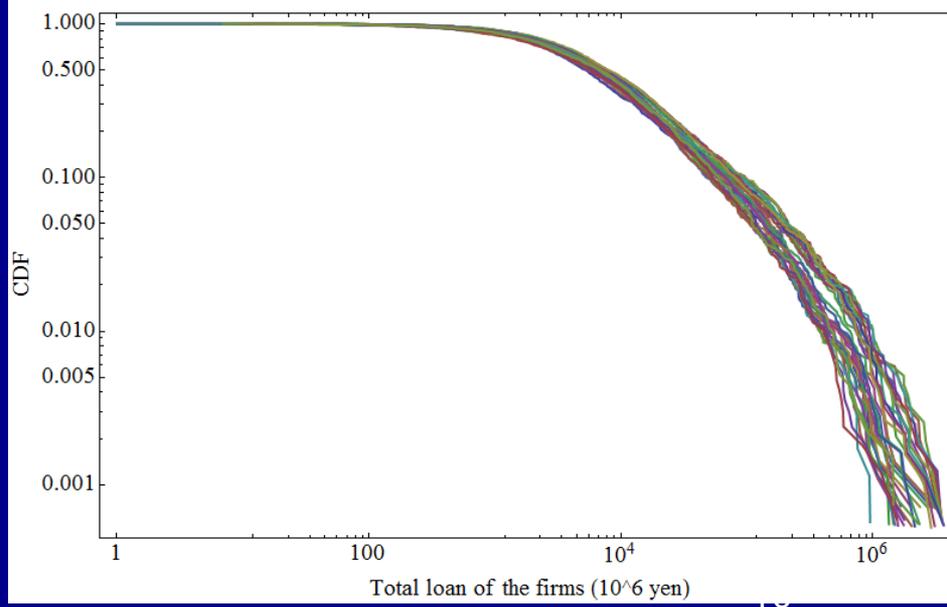
Trillion U.S. Dollars

- City bank
- Regional bank
- 2nd Regional bank
- Trust bank
- Credit Associaton

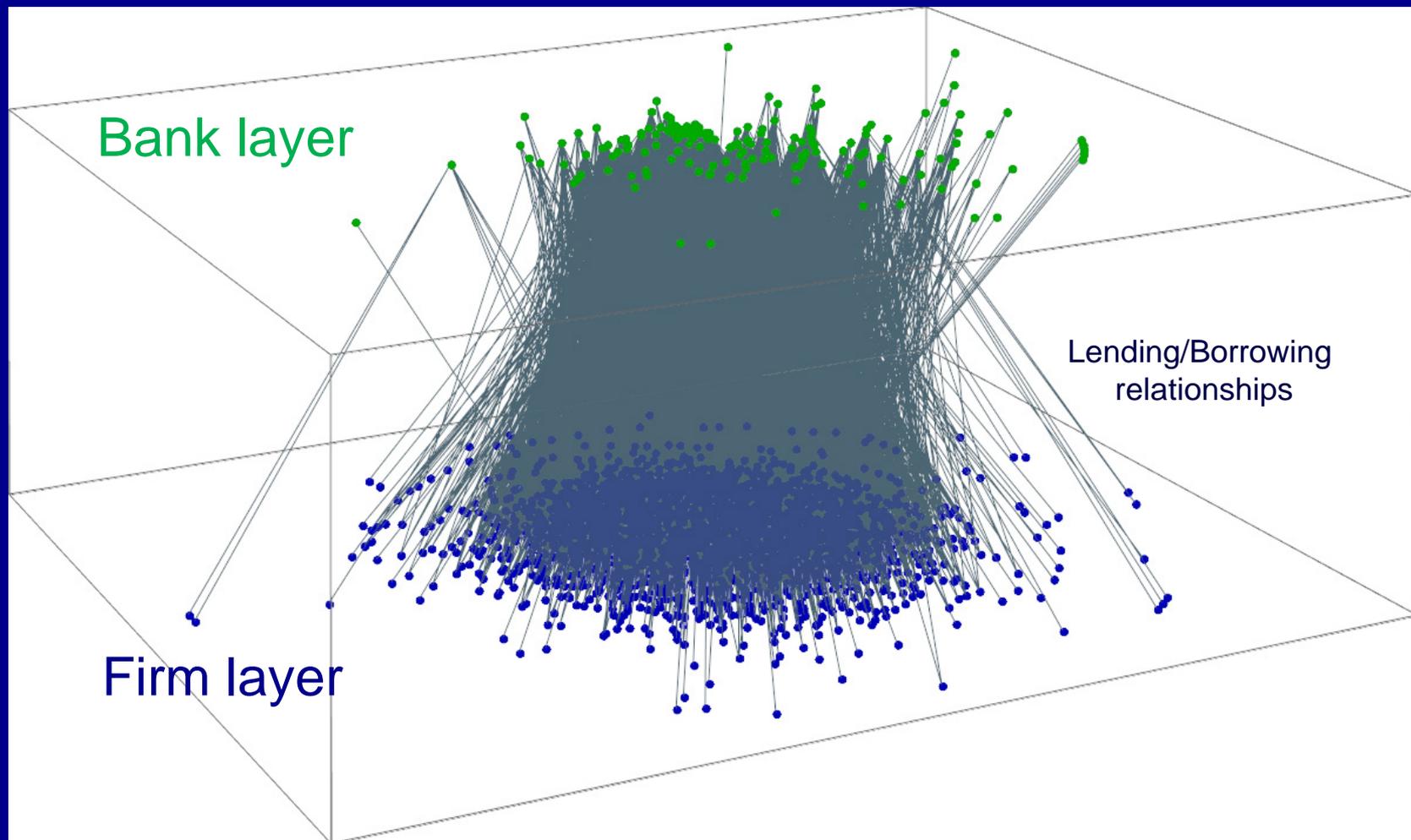
Bank's lending CDF: from 1980 to 2012



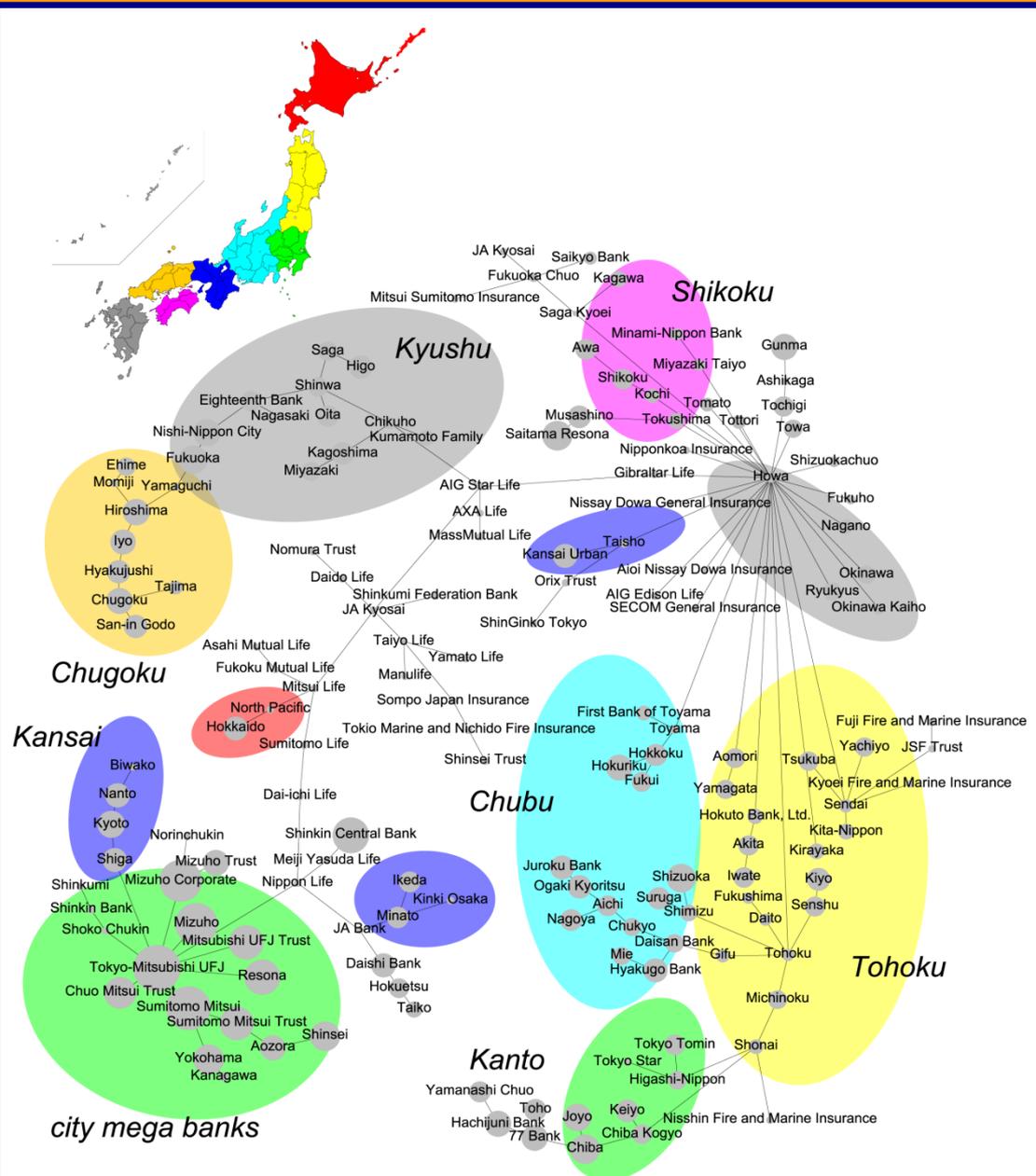
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# Visualized bipartite NW



# Minimum Spanning Tree



Spatially closer banks have similar lending patterns to firms

# Distress propagation between banks and firms

$x_\beta$  : level of bank  $\beta$  's financial distress

corresponding to

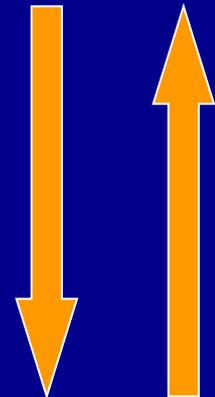
- ✓ shrinking amount of supplied credit
- ✓ increasing interest-rate
- ✓ shortening the due time of repayment

$y_f$  : level of firm  $f$  's financial distress

causing

- ✓ delaying repayment to banks
- ✓ default / bankruptcy

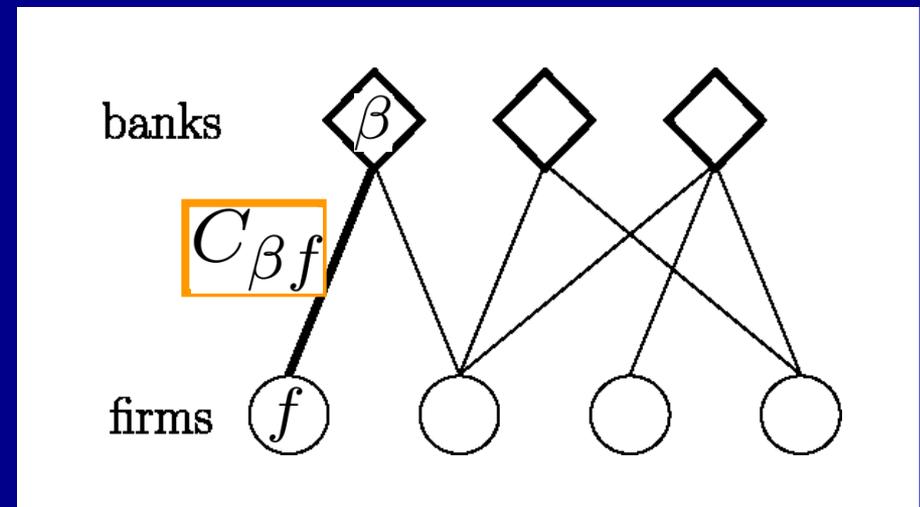
banks



firms

- bank supplies credit  
in anticipation of interest margin
  - firm uses credit as a source of financing  
in anticipation of growth in its business
- *edge of credit* = **dependency** of one agent on the other

a same amount of credit  
has different importance to  
bank  $\beta$  and firm  $f$



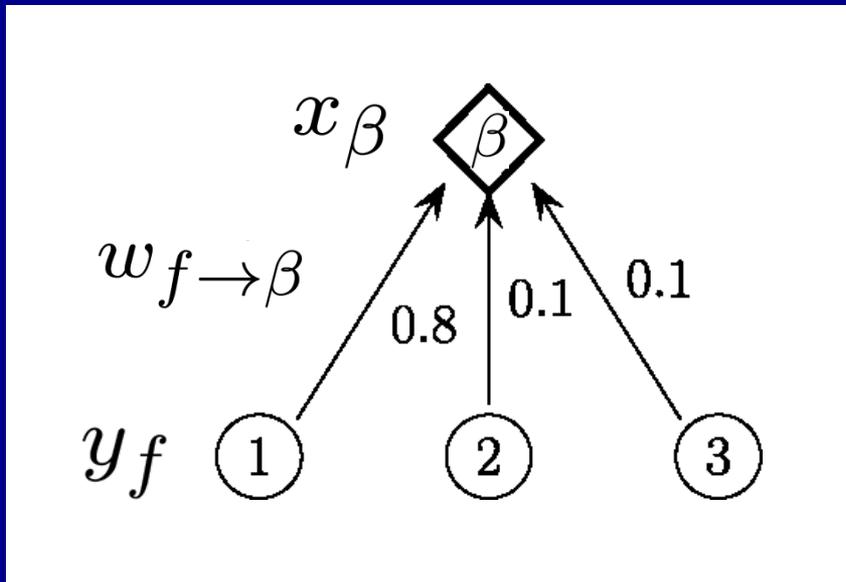
# Dependency or Relative Exposure

dependency of  
bank  $\beta$  on firm  $f$

$$w_{f \rightarrow \beta} := \frac{C_{\beta f}}{C_{\beta}}$$

total lending

$$C_{\beta} := \sum_f C_{\beta f}$$



banks



Distress  
propagation

firms

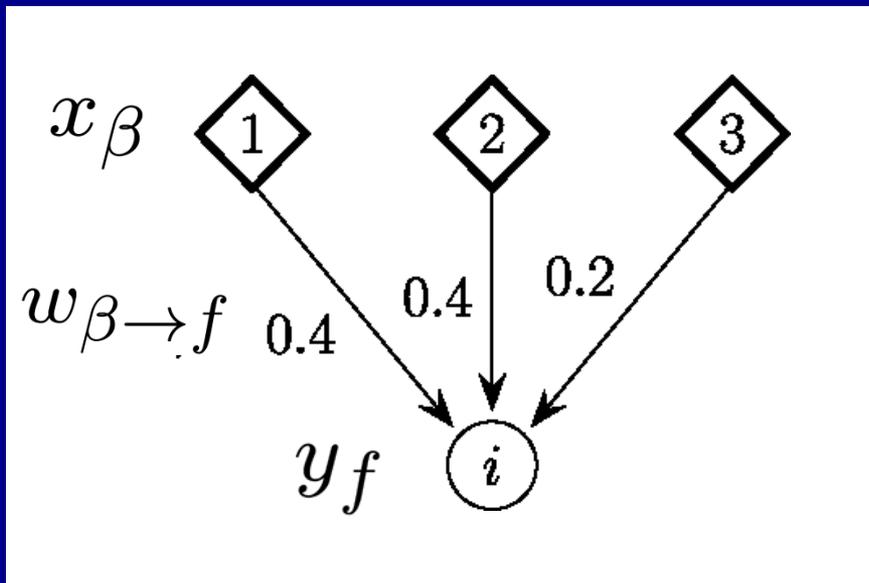
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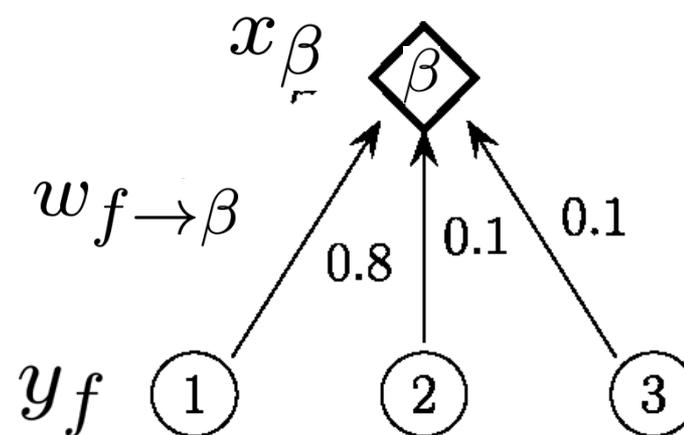
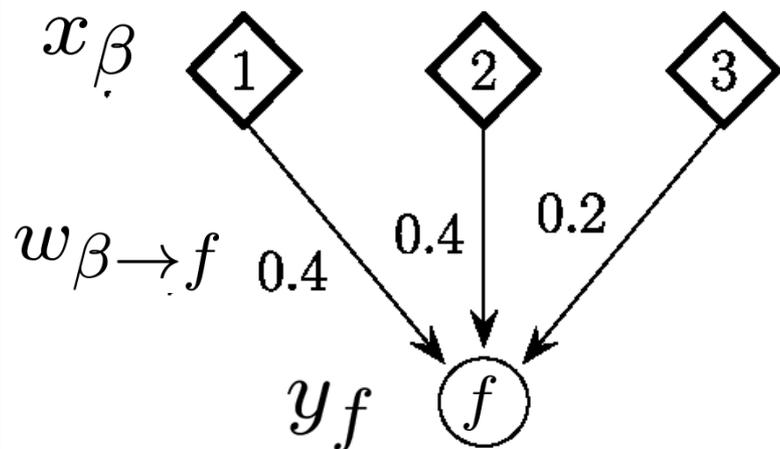
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Distress  
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# (1) Eigenvector Approach



$$\vec{y} \propto \mathbf{w}_{\beta \rightarrow f} \cdot \vec{x}$$

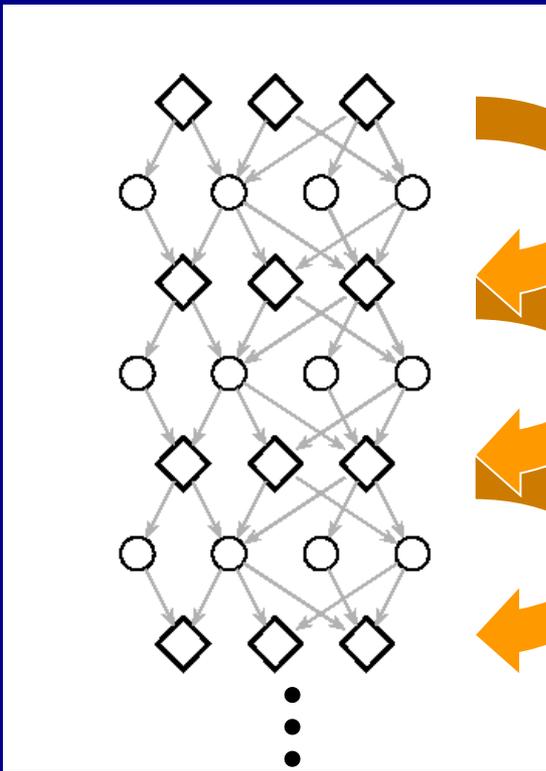
$$\vec{x} \propto \mathbf{w}_{f \rightarrow \beta} \cdot \vec{y}$$

$$\mathbf{P} \vec{x} = \lambda \vec{x} \quad \text{where}$$

$$\mathbf{P} := \mathbf{w}_{f \rightarrow \beta} \cdot \mathbf{w}_{\beta \rightarrow f}$$

banks' distress = solution of eigenvalue problem

## propagation of fragility-profile



**P**

$\tilde{\vec{x}} := \vec{x}$  without trivial-mode

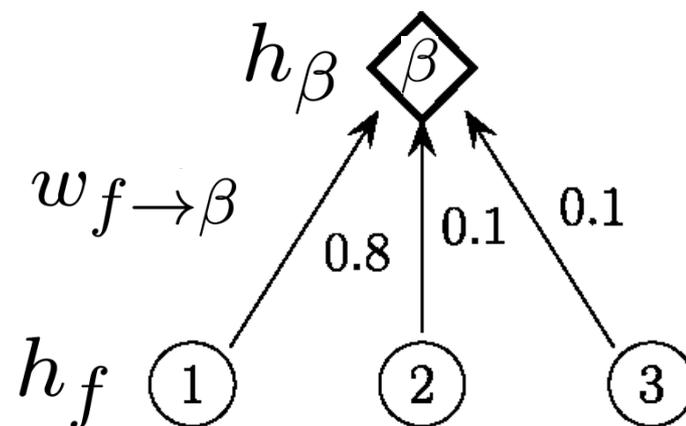
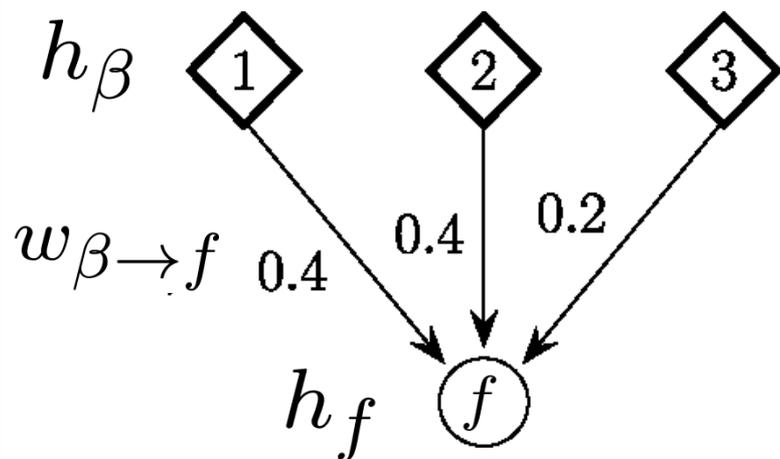
expand by eigen-modes

$$1 = \lambda_1 \geq \lambda_2 \geq \lambda_3 \cdots \lambda_n > 0$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{P}^r \tilde{\vec{x}} &= \lambda_2^r a_2 \vec{x}^{(2)} + \lambda_3^r a_3 \vec{x}^{(3)} + \cdots + \lambda_n^r a_n \vec{x}^{(n)} \\ &= \lambda_2^r \left[ a_2 \vec{x}^{(2)} + \left( \frac{\lambda_3}{\lambda_2} \right)^r a_3 \vec{x}^{(3)} + \cdots + \left( \frac{\lambda_n}{\lambda_2} \right)^r a_n \vec{x}^{(n)} \right] \end{aligned}$$

**larger** eigenvalues ~ more robust modes

## (2) DebtRank approach (S. Battiston et al., 2012)



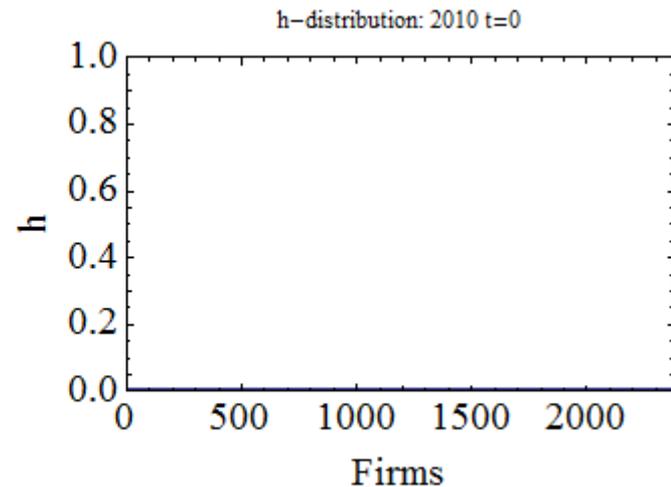
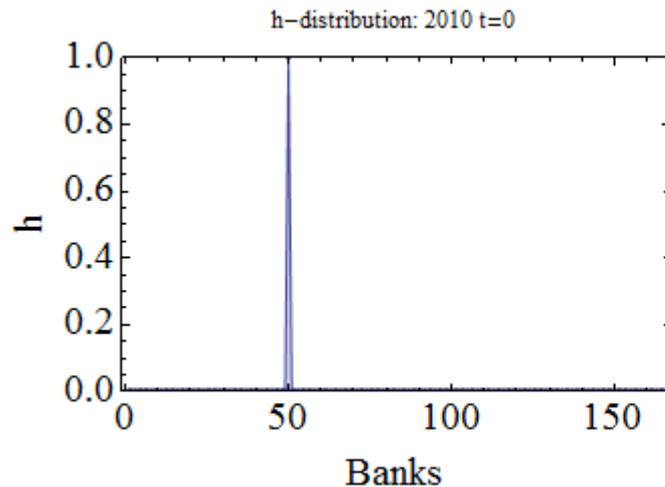
$$\begin{cases} h_\beta(t+1) = h_\beta(t) + \sum_f w_{f \rightarrow \beta} h_f(t) \\ h_f(t+1) = h_f(t) + \sum_\beta w_{\beta \rightarrow f} h_\beta(t) \end{cases}$$
$$h_{\beta,f}(t) \in [0, 1]$$

$s_{\beta,f}(t) \in [ \text{UNDISTRESSED}, \text{ACTIVE}, \text{INACTIVE} ]$

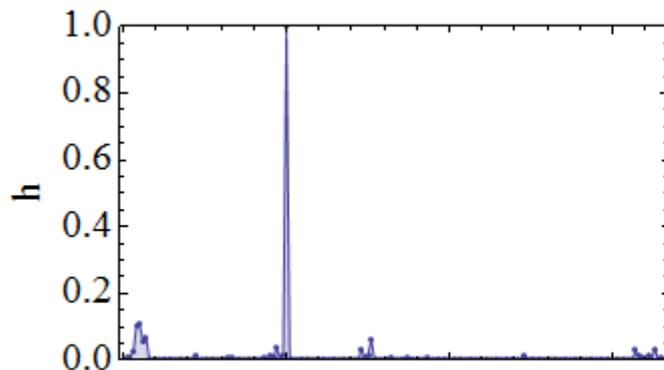
INACTIVE =

It cannot propagate distress to others,  
while it can receive distress from others.

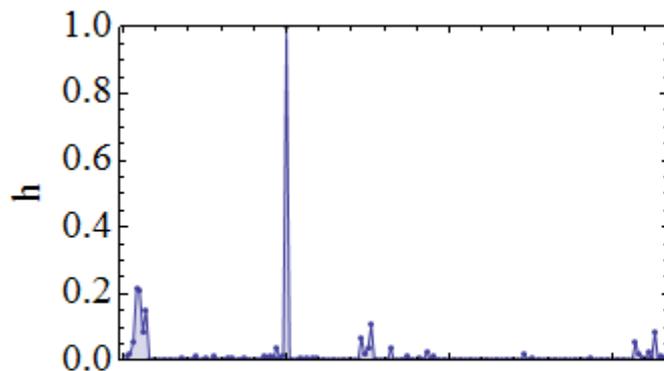
$$h_{\beta}(t = 0) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{for } \beta = \beta_0 \\ 0 & \text{for others} \end{cases}$$



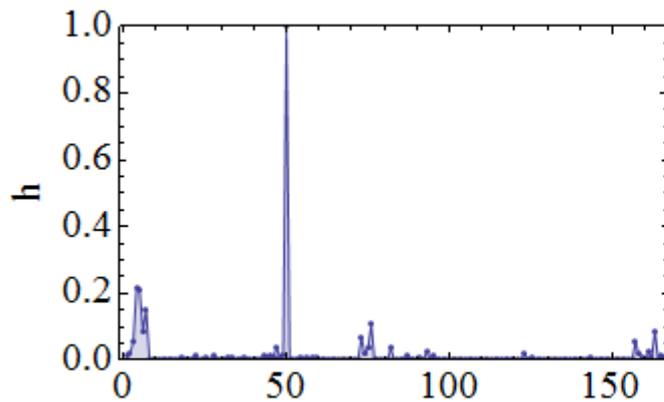
h-distribution: 2010 t=1



h-distribution: 2010 t=2

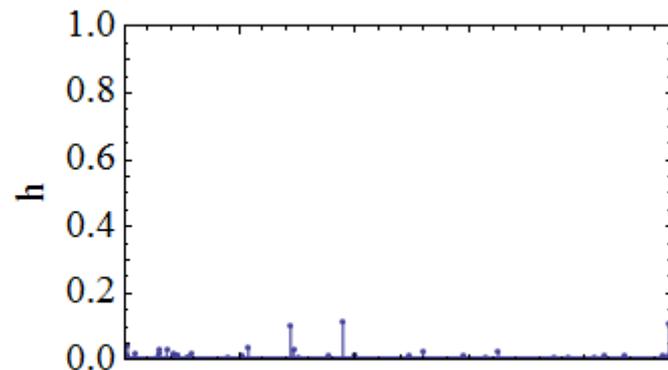


h-distribution: 2010 t=3

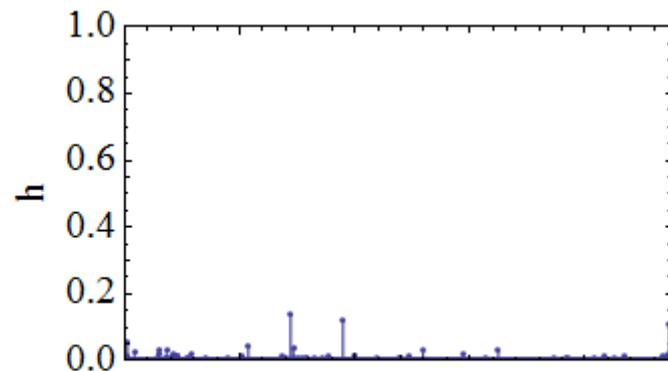


Banks

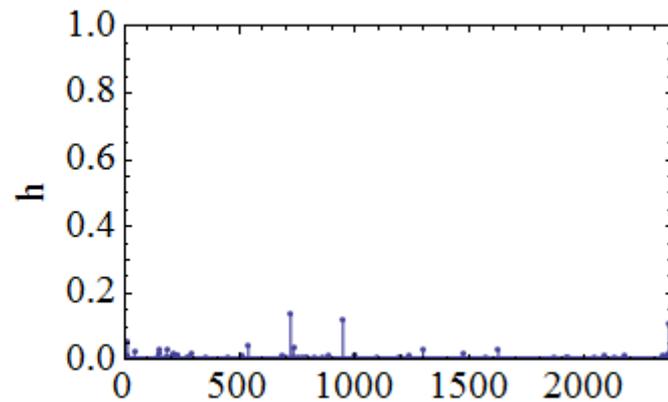
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h-distribution: 2010 t=2



h-distribution: 2010 t=3



Firms

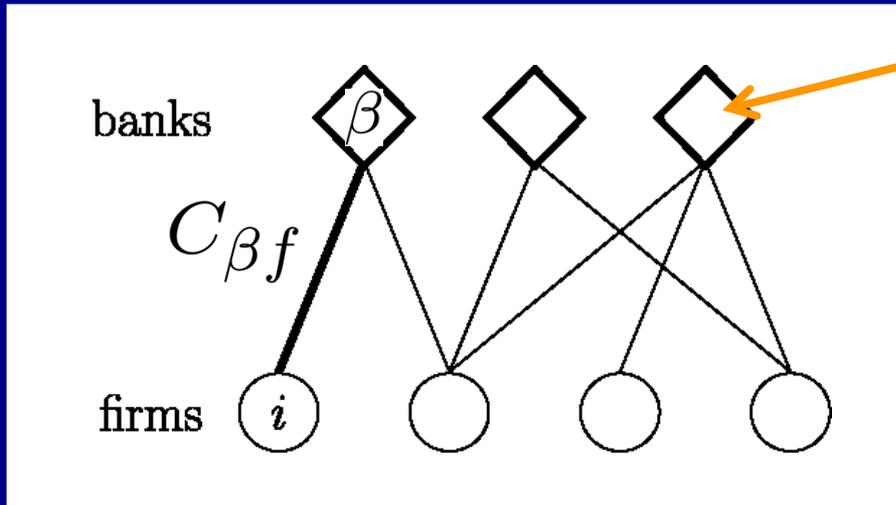
## DebtRank for bank $\beta_0$

$$h_{\beta_0} = \sum_{\beta \neq \beta_0} h_{\beta} A_{\beta} / \sum_{\alpha} A_{\alpha} \quad \left. \vphantom{\sum_{\beta \neq \beta_0}} \right\} \text{Total impact to financial system}$$
$$+ \sum_f h_f A_f / \sum_g A_g \quad \left. \vphantom{\sum_f} \right\} \text{Total impact to firms}$$

$A_{\beta}$  Total-asset of bank (bank-size)

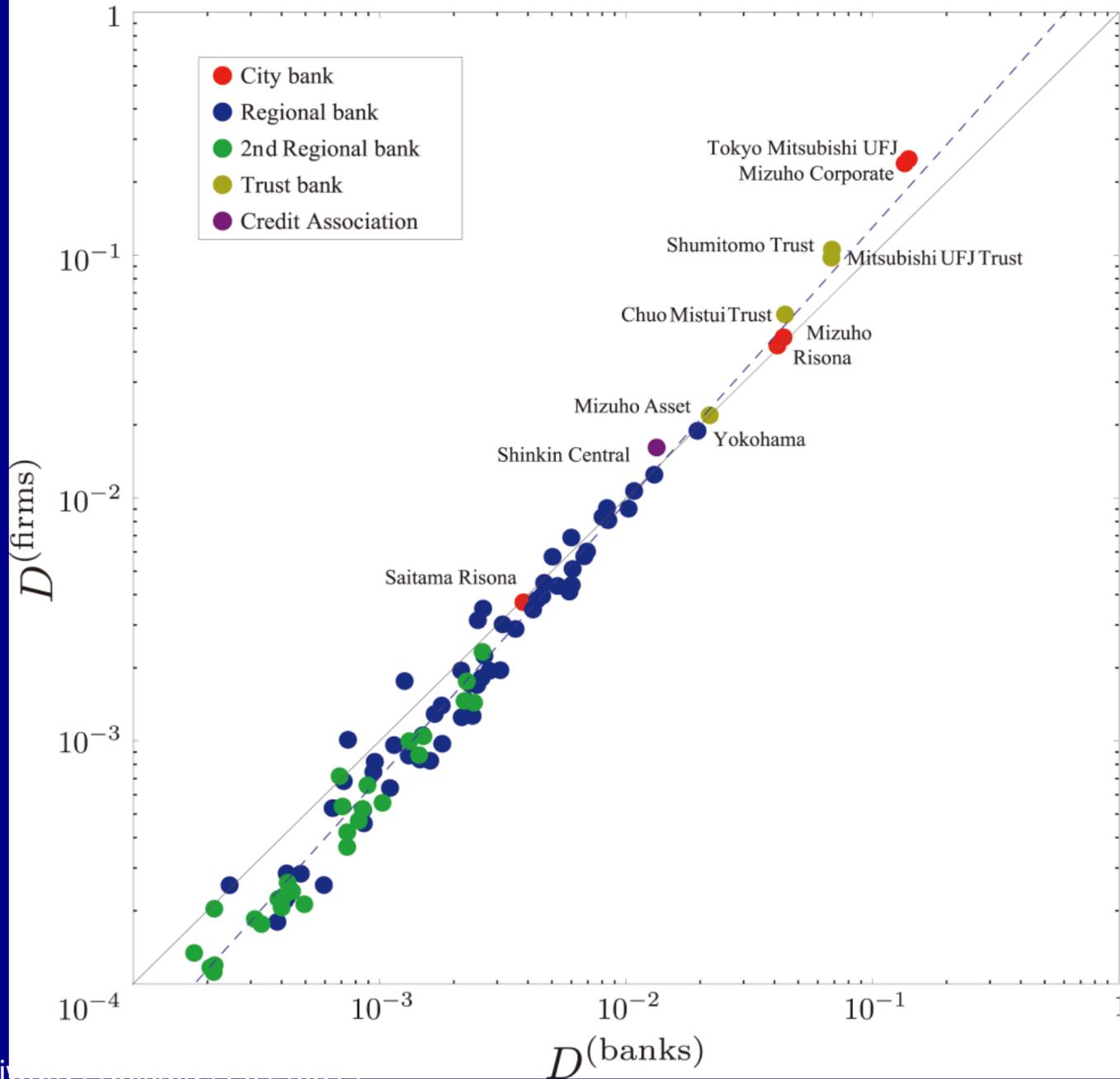
$A_f$  Total-asset of firm (firm-size)

# Simulation 1 : Distress on each bank

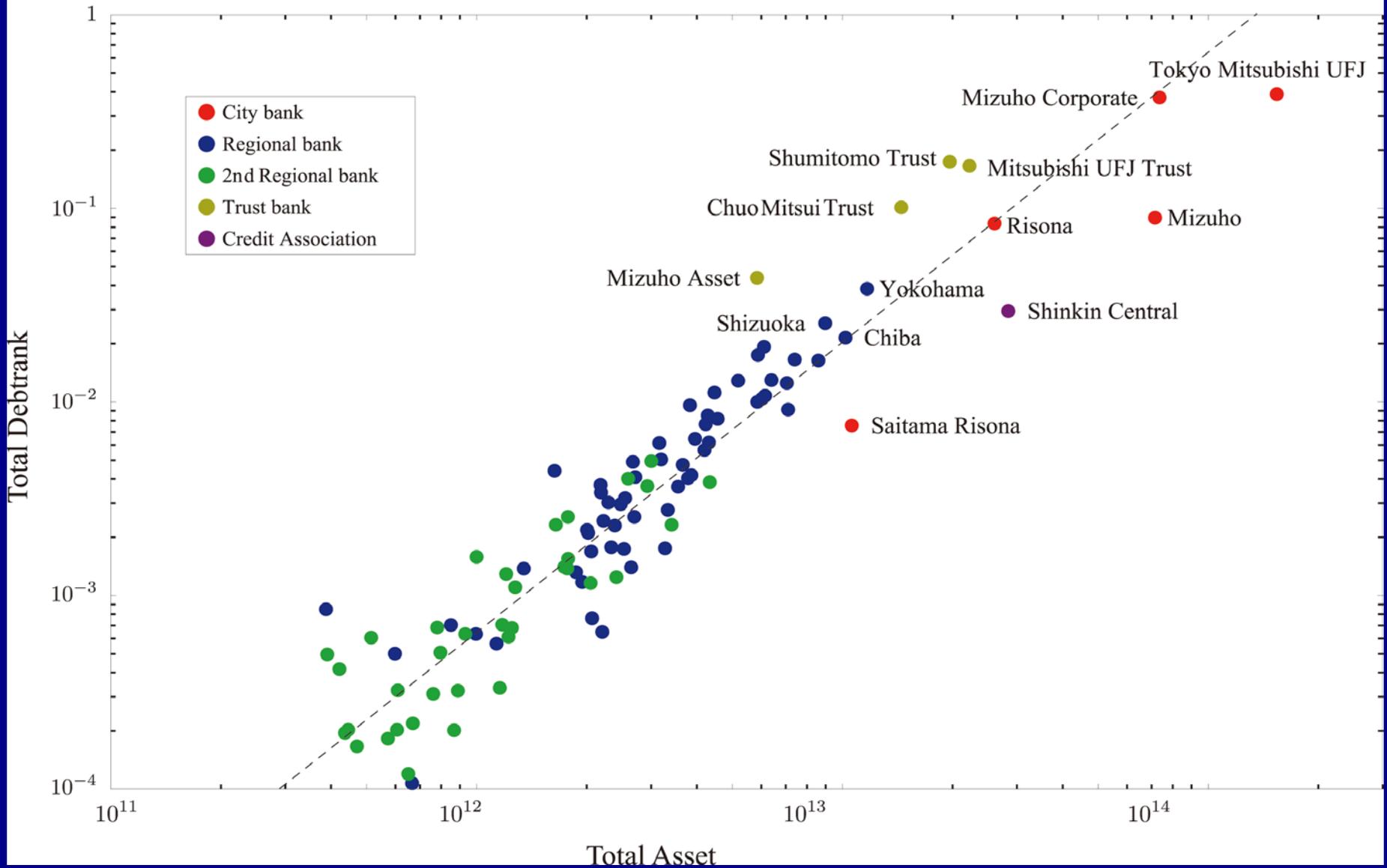


Initial distress at  
a bank  $\beta_0$

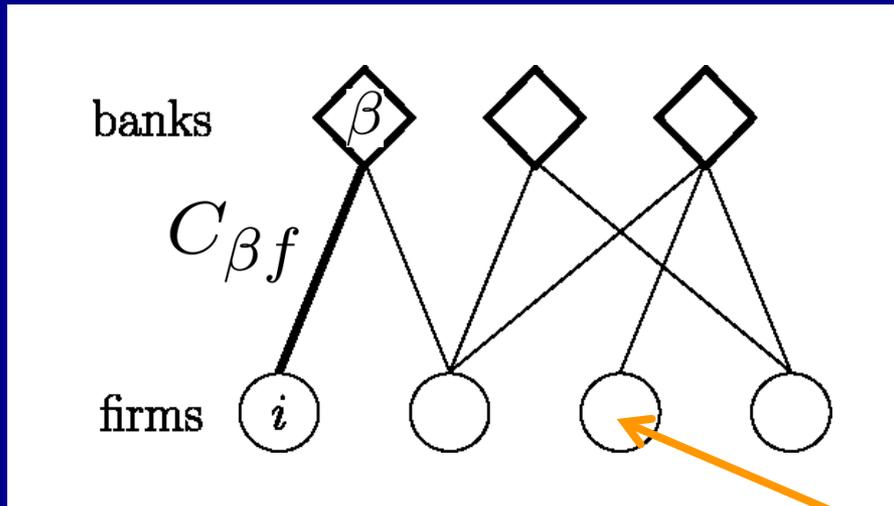
# DebtRanks of the Japanese Banks: 2010



# Total DebtRank of the Japanese Banks: 2010

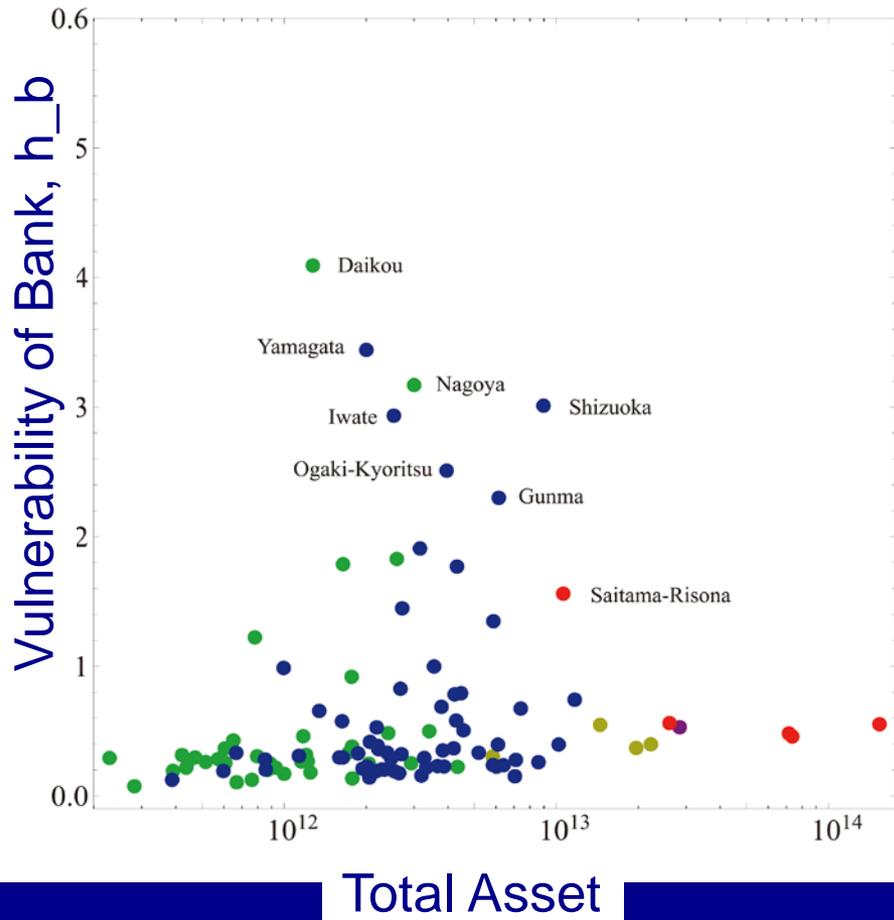


## Simulation 2 : Distress on firm / sector

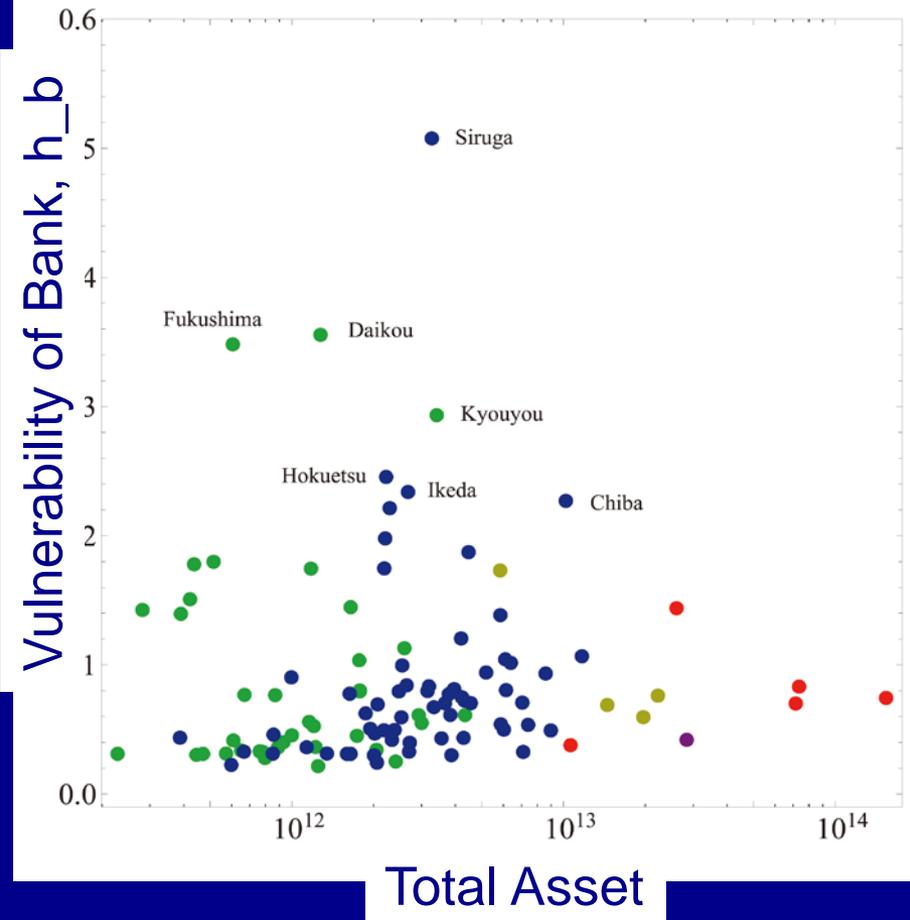


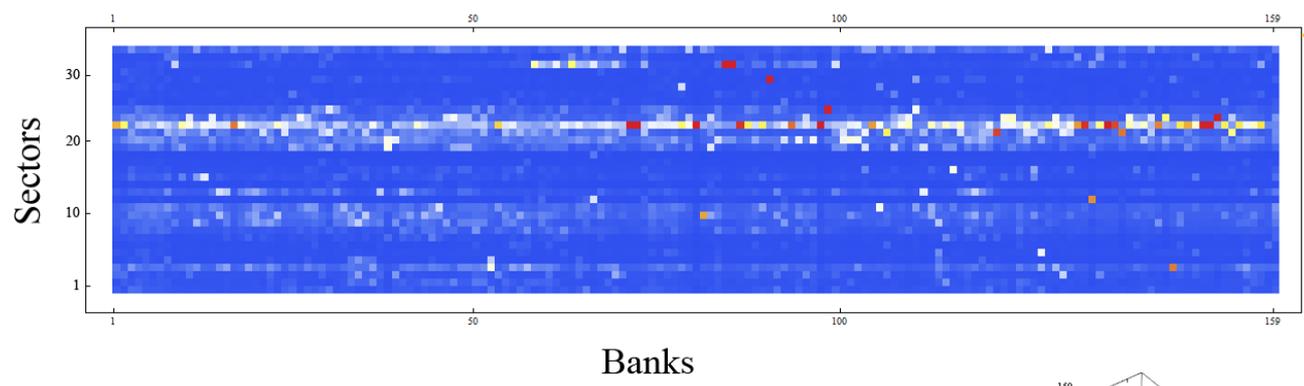
Initial distress at  
a firm, or  
a set of firms  
(an industrial sector)

## Initial distress: Automobile



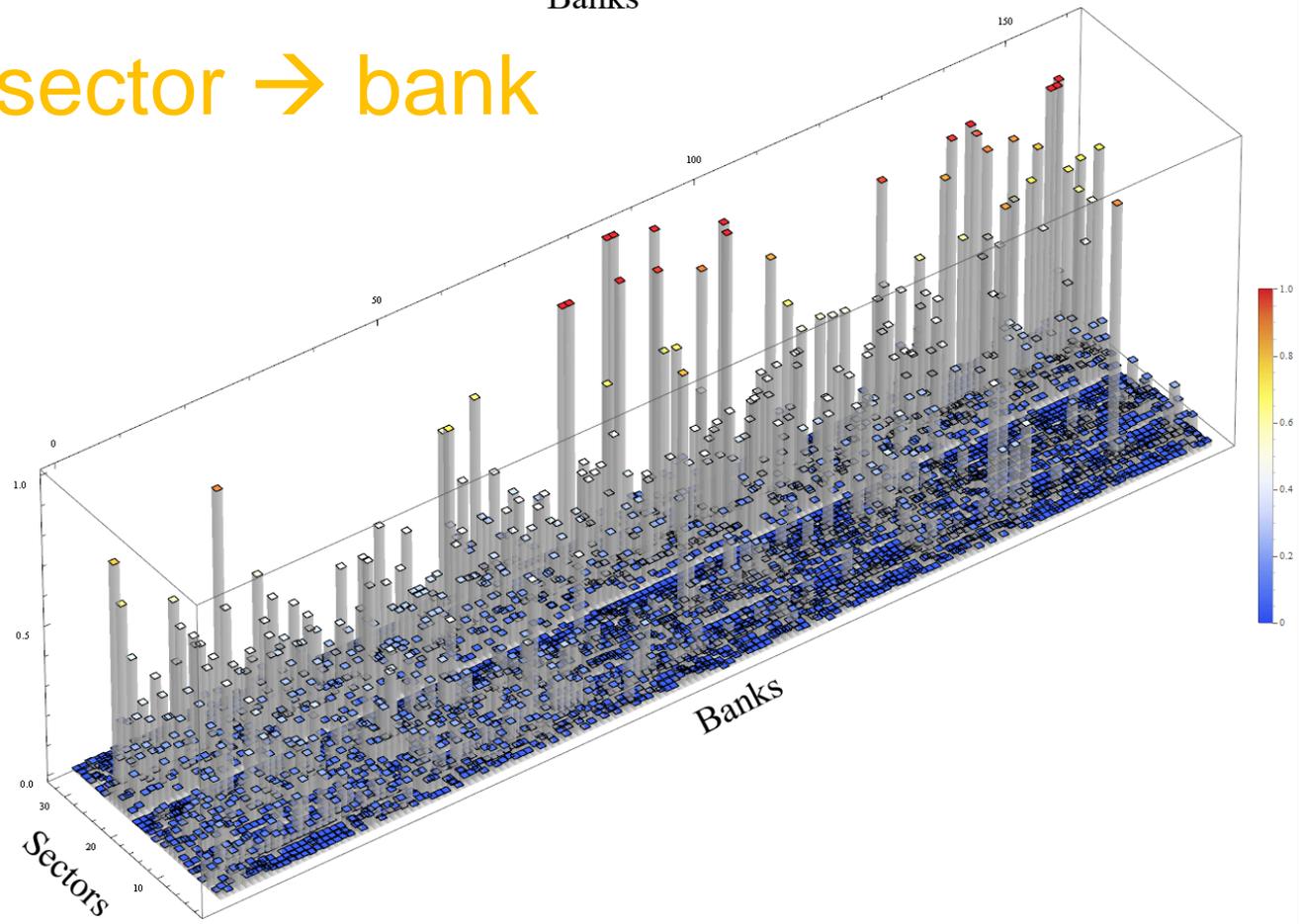
## Initial distress: Construction





- Influential order
1. Credit & Leasing
  2. Retail trades
  3. Wholesale trades
  4. Real estates
  5. Chemicals
  6. Machinery
  7. Electronics
  8. Construction

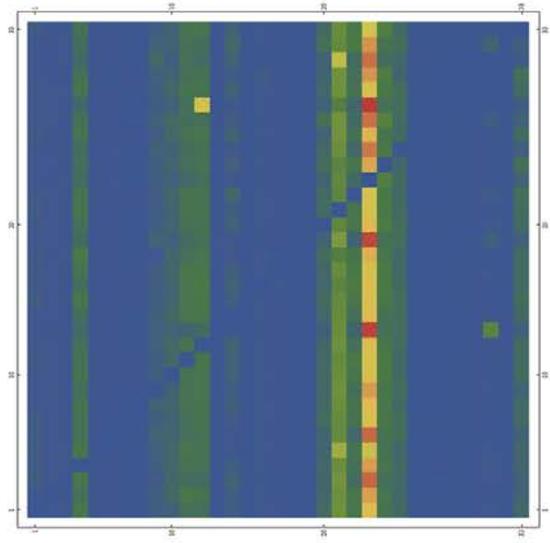
sector → bank



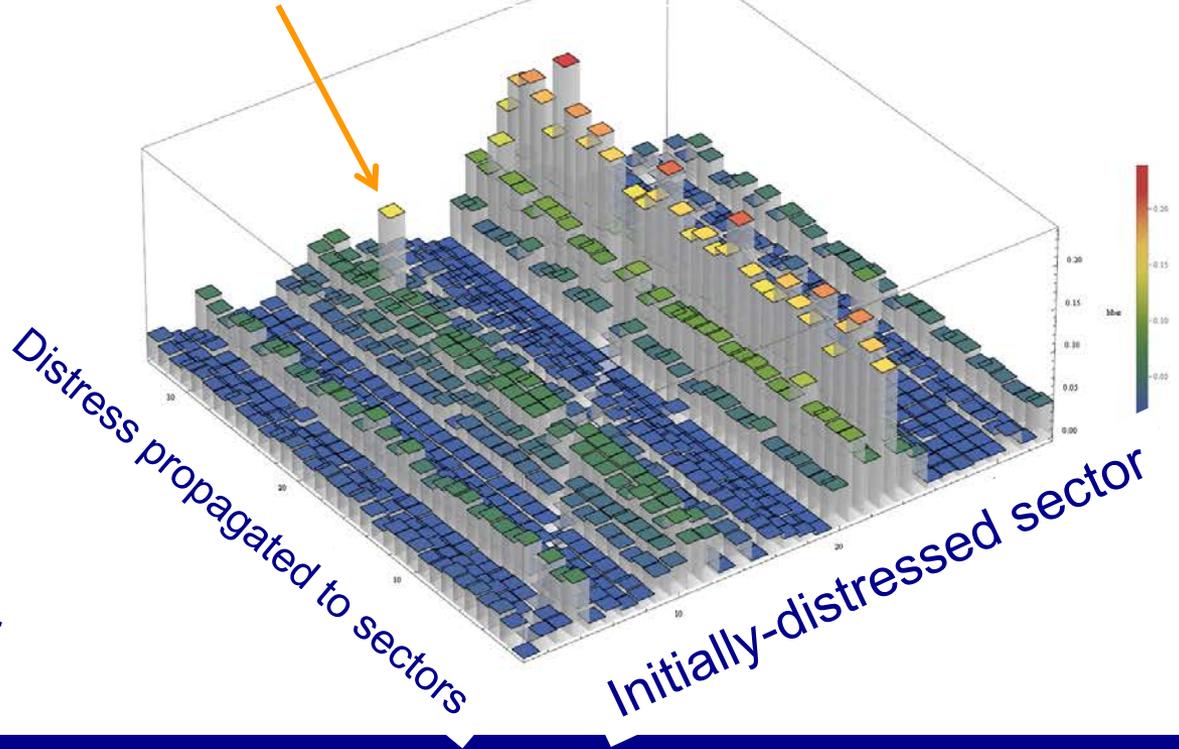
# sector → sector

Distress propagated to sectors

“electronics” → “transportation (air)”



Initially-distressed sector



Distress propagated to sectors

Initially-distressed sector

# summary

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- Extend DebtRank method to a bipartite graph of banks-firms
- Use the method to quantify individual players' robustness/vulnerability
- DebtRank
  - (1) Distress on a bank →  
Influence on the whole, weighted by players' sizes  
*“bigger is more important”* to an extent, quantifiable
  - (2) Distress on industrial sector(s) →  
Influence on the banks, firms, other individual sectors

# Thank you!

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