

# THE EVOLUTIONARY PROCESS OF KNOWLEDGE RECOMBINATION & SMART SPECIALISATION STRATEGIES FOR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Technology Evolution in Regional Economies  
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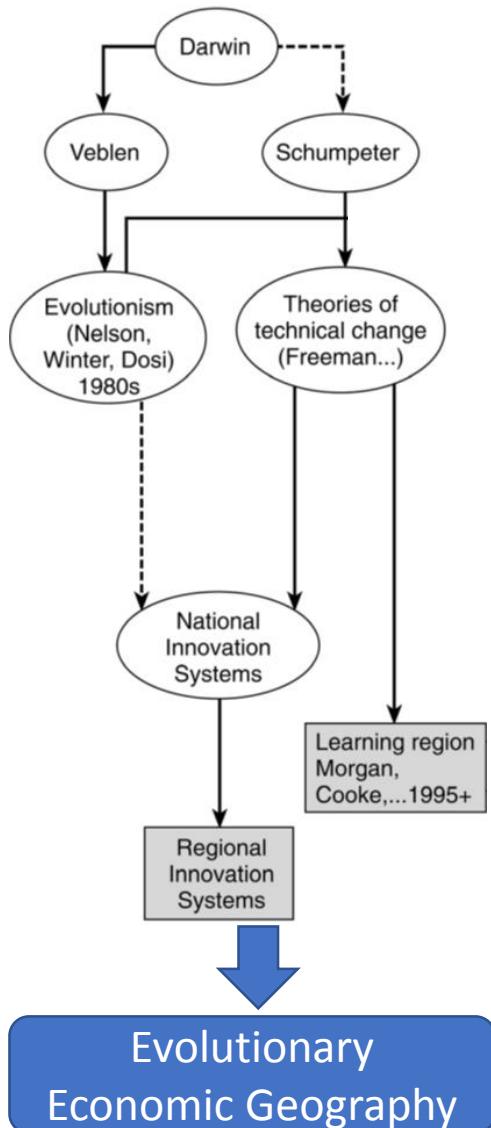


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# *The Evolution of Knowledge – Unlike other Goods*



## ➤ **Knowledge production is a**

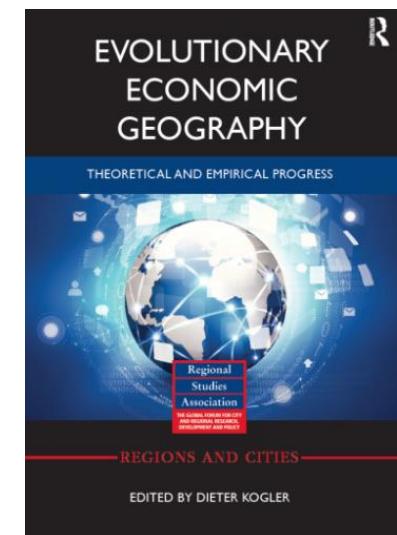
- cumulative,
- path-dependent, and
- interactive process.

## ➤ **Knowledge [in] space**

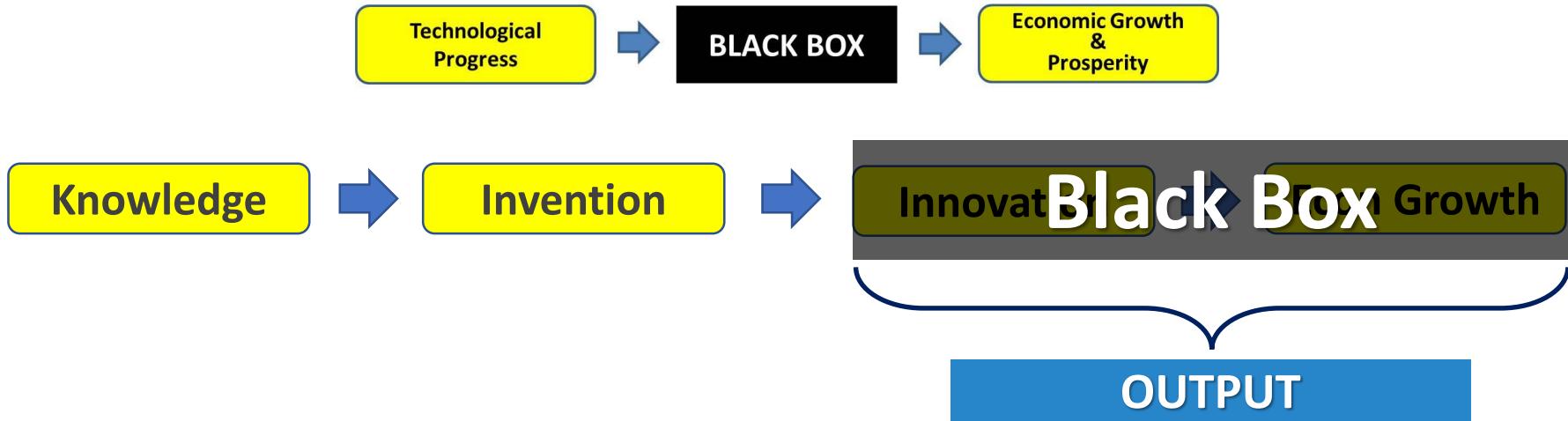
- Knowledge accumulates
- Knowledge [type] relationships

## ➤ **Knowledge in the past**

- provides opportunities, and sets limits
- Entry, exit, selection



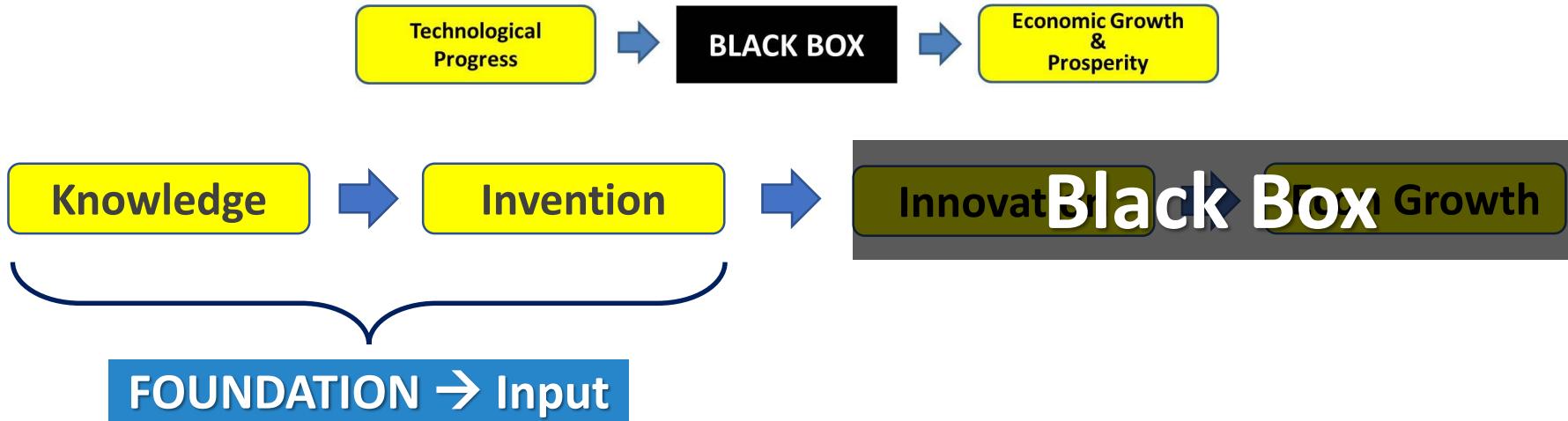
# Stylized Concept of the ‘Knowledge Economy’



- **Innovation is point of departure**  
(*novel products and processes of economic value*)
- **Productivity gains**  
(*only one form of ‘benefits’?*)
- **Present “local” conditions**  
(*spatial, social, sectoral, institutional, and organisational*)

- **Micro/Macro structure**  
(*division of actors → disciplines*)
- **Dichotomous settings**  
(*diversity vs specialisation or local vs global*)
- **Post-evaluation**  
(*static, or dynamic at best*)

# Stylized Concept of the 'Knowledge Economy'



- **Type of knowledge**  
*scientific, technical, commercial*
- **Evolution of knowledge**  
*(overall & local)*
- **Networks of production**  
*(overall & local)*
- **Specialization & cohesion**  
*(place-specific)*
- **Re-combination potential**  
*(place-specific)*
- **Nexus between individuals, firms, and place**  
*(socio-spatial dialectic)*
- **Life-cycles and path-creation**  
*(path-dependency sets local limits and opportunities)*

# *The Origin of Innovation? Recombination*

*To produce means to combine materials and forces within our reach ... To produce other things ... means to combine these materials and forces differently.*

(Schumpeter, 1934: 65)

**Most innovations derive from a novel manner of...**

(1) combining existing technology

(Carnabuci and Bruggeman, 2009;  
Fleming, 2001; Nelson and Winter, 1982;  
Schumpeter, 1934)

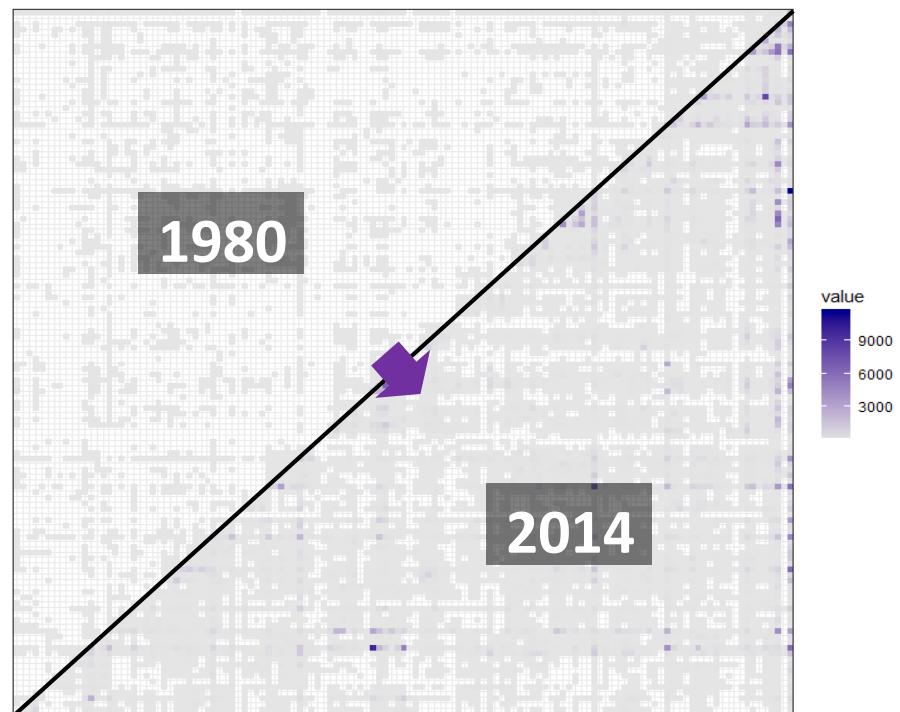
→ Exploration

(2) improving existing technological combinations

(Henderson and Clark, 1990; Yayavaram and Ahuja, 2008)

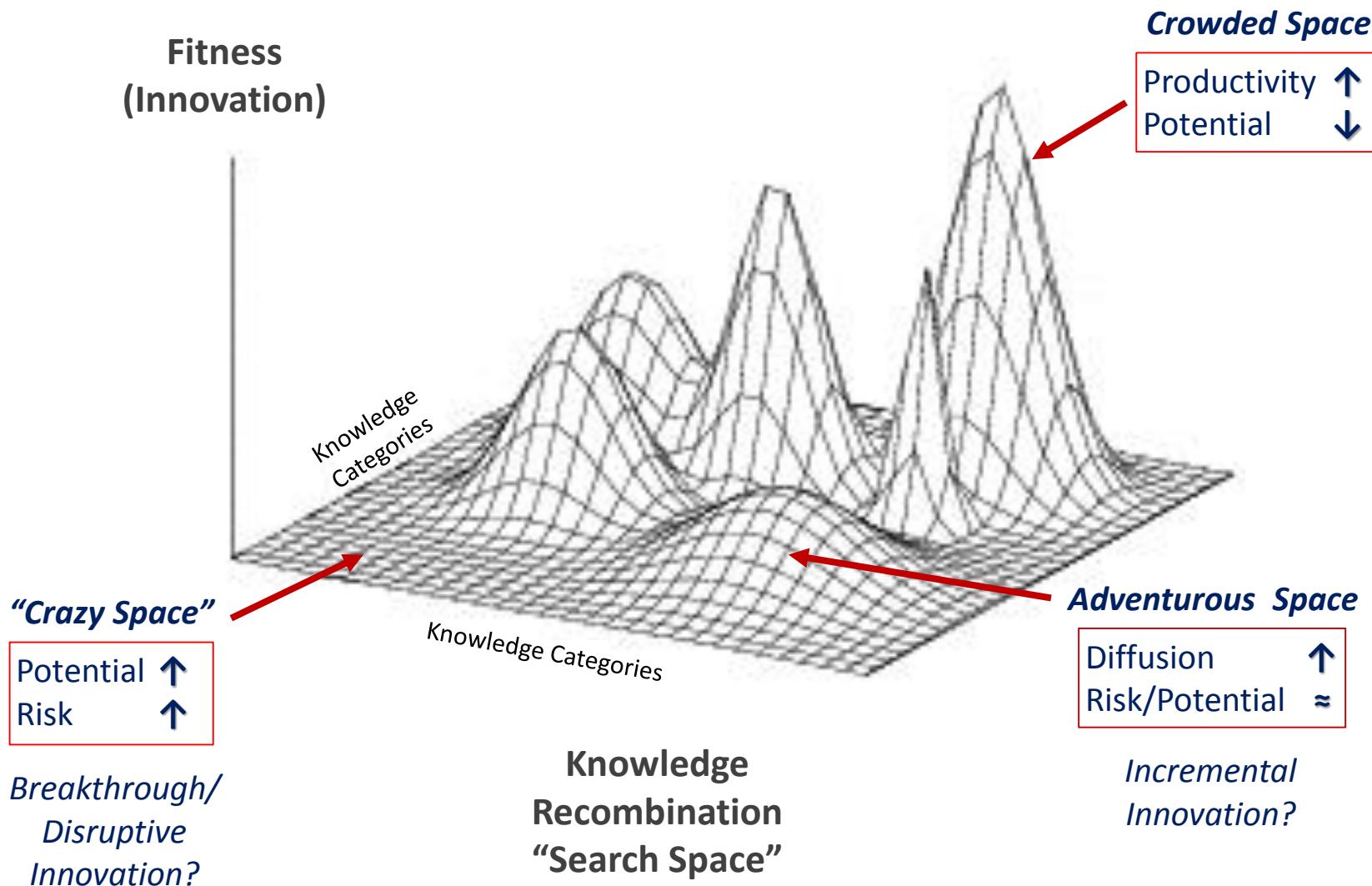
→ Exploitation

CPC Co-Occurrence Matrix



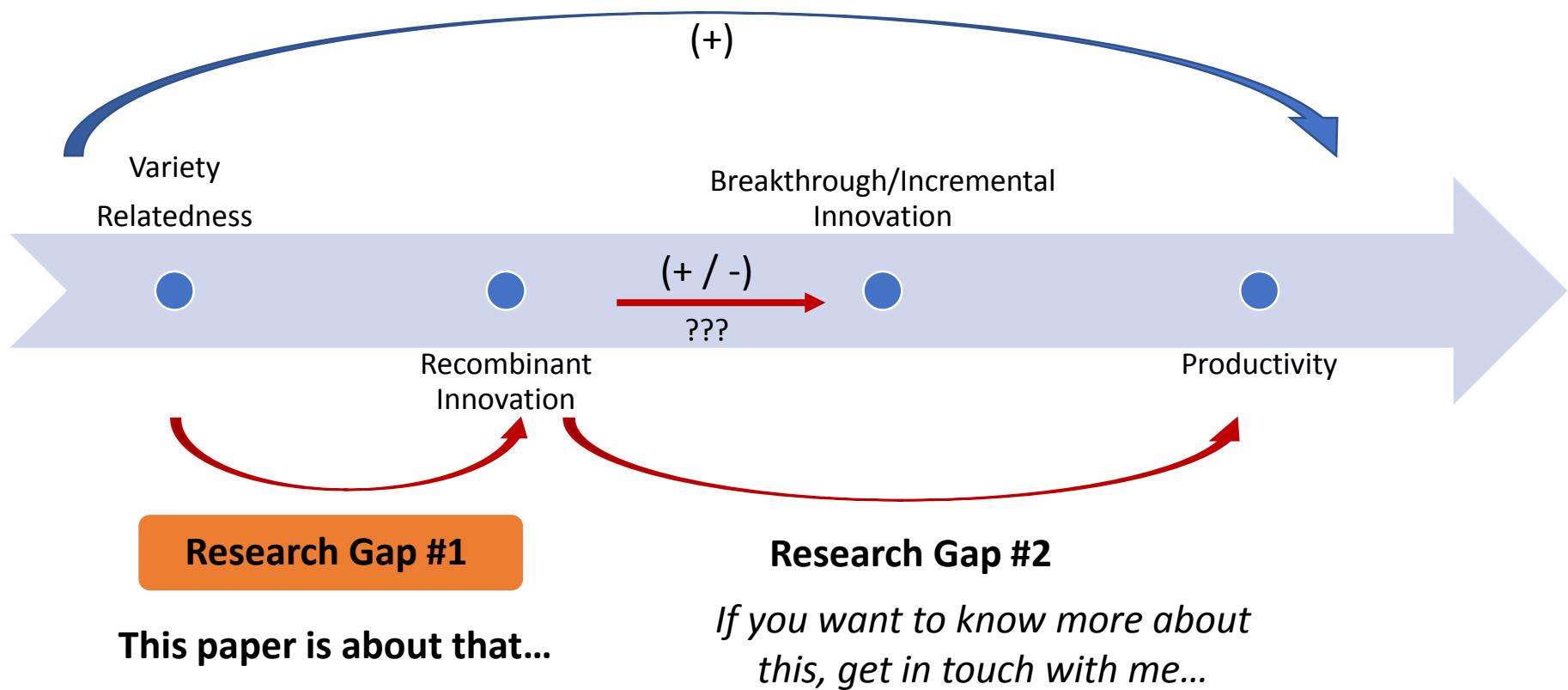
*Source:* PATSTAT, authors' own calculation

# The Origin of Innovation? Recombination



# Knowledge Recombination and Regional Productivity

In EconGeo literature there's empirical evidence concerning this relationship, but many open questions remain...perhaps it needs a different approach!?



# Theoretical Framing

Recombination Type

*New Recombination*

*Less-related Recombination*

*High-related Recombination*

*Replication*



Strategic Management

*Exploration*

*Exploitation*

*Random search*

*Innovation*

*Imperfect imitation*

*Near-perfect imitation*

*Perfect imitation*

Evolutionary Model

*Mutation*

*Variation*

*Selection*

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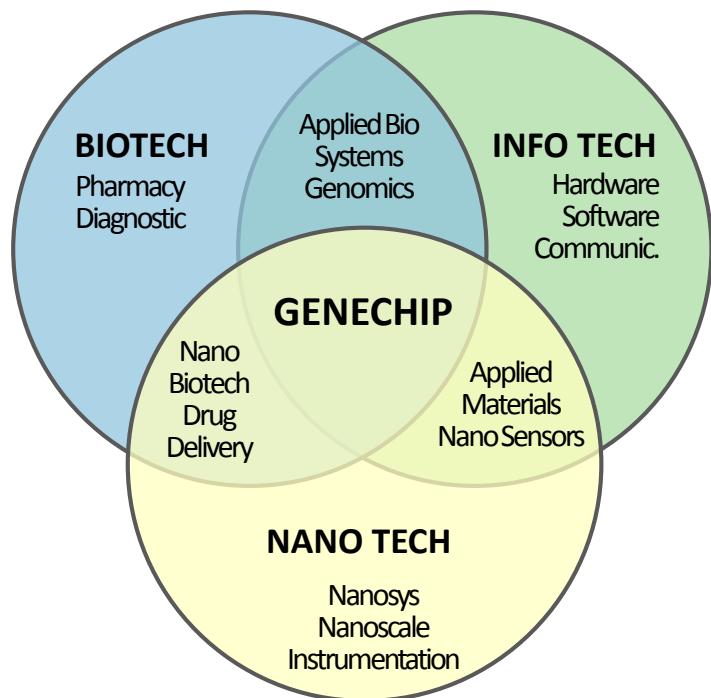
*Technological Entropy*

*Unrelated variety*

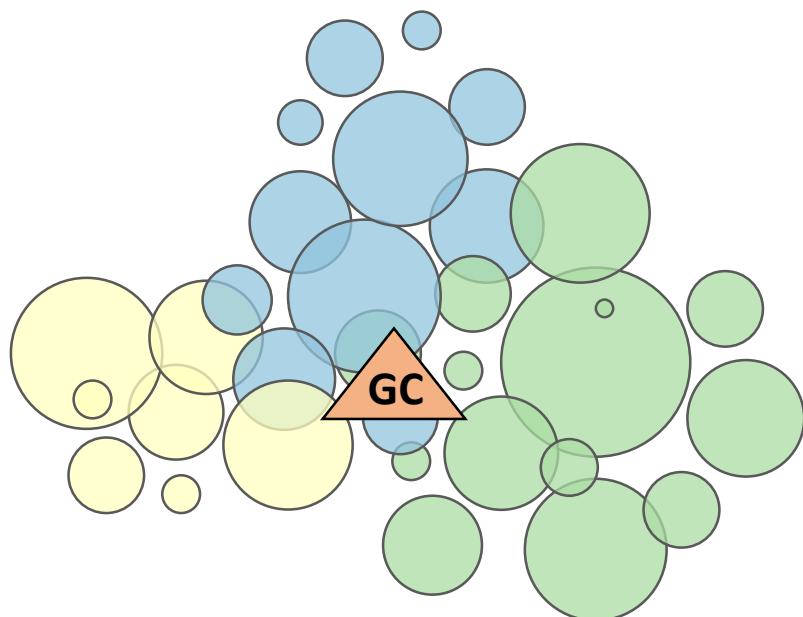
*Related variety*

*Specialization  
(Technological relatedness)*

## Economic Reality



## Knowledge Space



Kogler D. F., Rigby D. L. & Tucker I. (2013) Mapping Knowledge Space and Technological Relatedness in US Cities, European Planning Studies.

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a first configuration in which the magnetic flux guides of the inner and outer cores separated by a first distance in which power is transferred in use, and a second configuration in which the inner and outer cores are separated by a second distance, in which relative rotation of the inner and outer cores is possible in the second configuration, wherein in the first configuration the magnetic flux guides of the inner and outer cores abut one another.

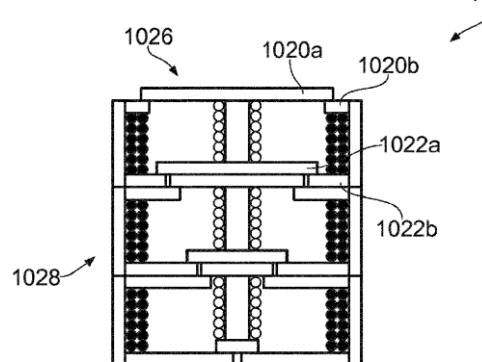


FIG. 10

# Categorizing Knowledge – Patent Classes

## Cooperative Patent Classification (CPC)

(1,3,4 and more digits...)

-  Chemistry and Metallurgy
-  Electricity
-  Textiles, Paper
-  New, Cross-over Technologies
-  Construction
-  Physics
-  Transport and Operations
-  Consumer goods
-  Mechanical Engineering

### 1-Digit Level:

**F** Mechanical engineering  
**H** Electricity

### 3 & 4-Digit Level:

**F03** MACHINES OR ENGINES FOR LIQUIDS; WIND, SPRING, OR WEIGHT MOTORS; PRODUCING MECHANICAL POWER OR A REACTIVE PROPULSIVE THRUST, NOT OTHERWISE PROVIDED FOR

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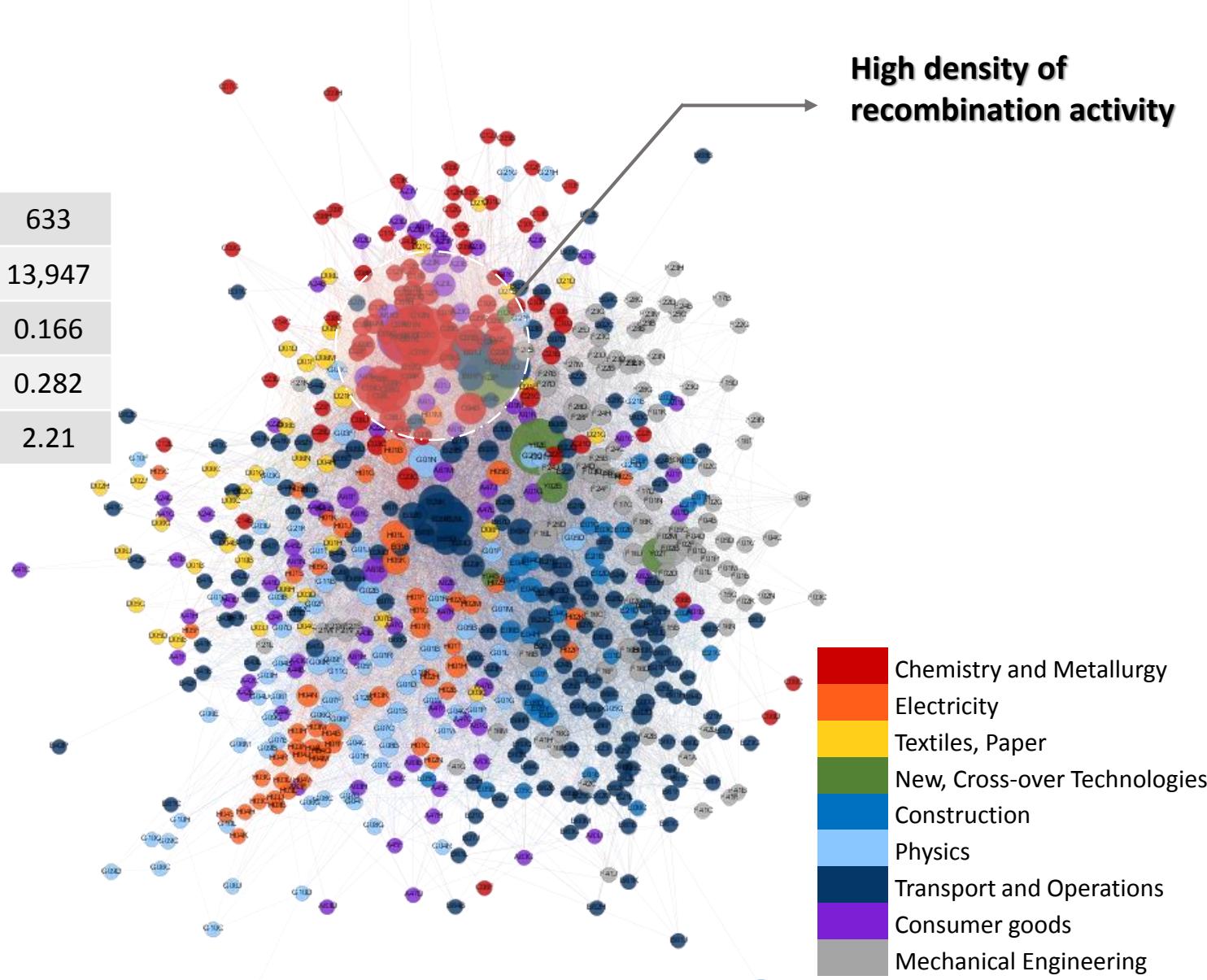
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(1980-1984)

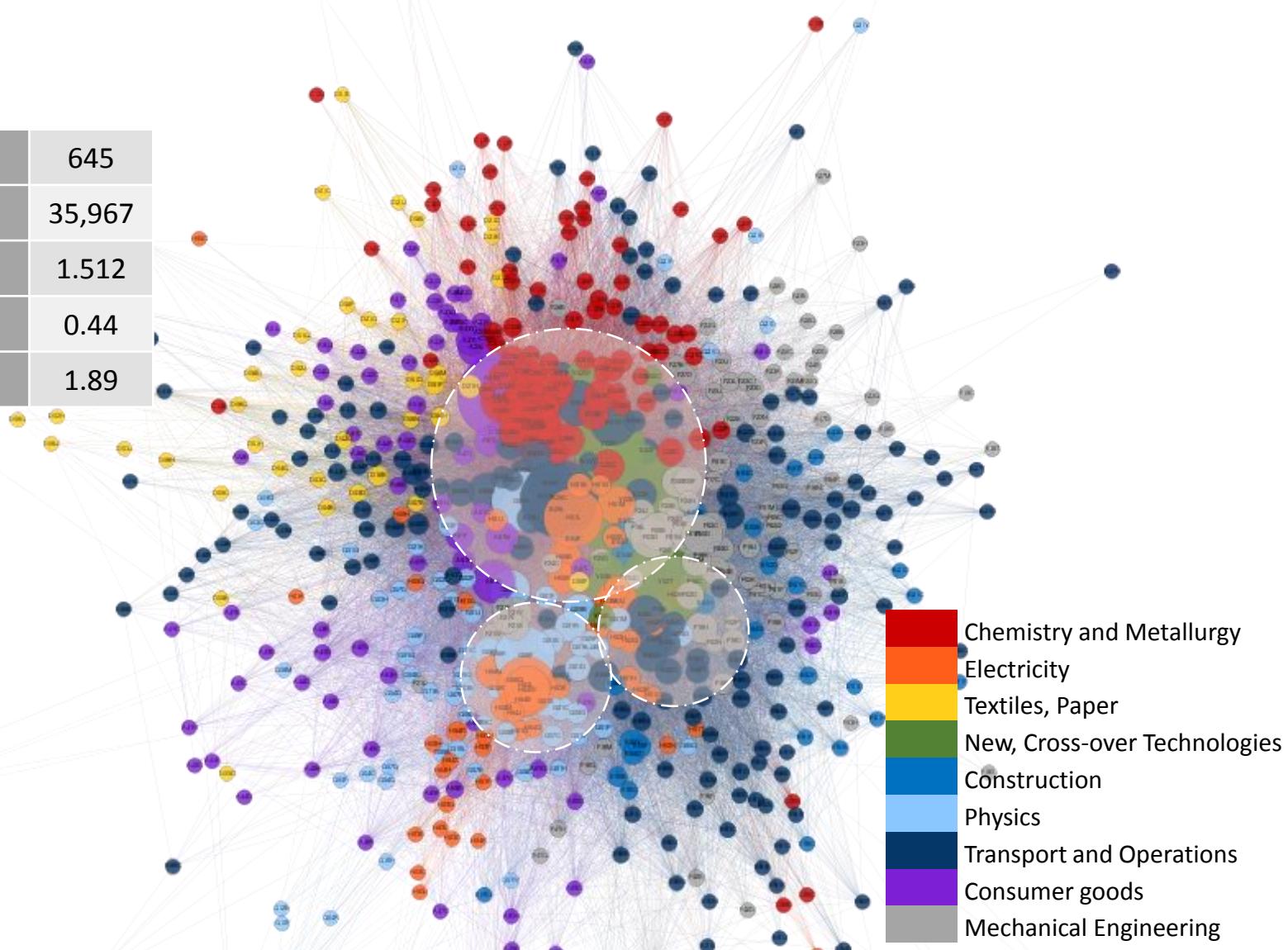
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Edge	13,947
Network Density	0.166
Ave. CC	0.282
Ave. Path length	2.21



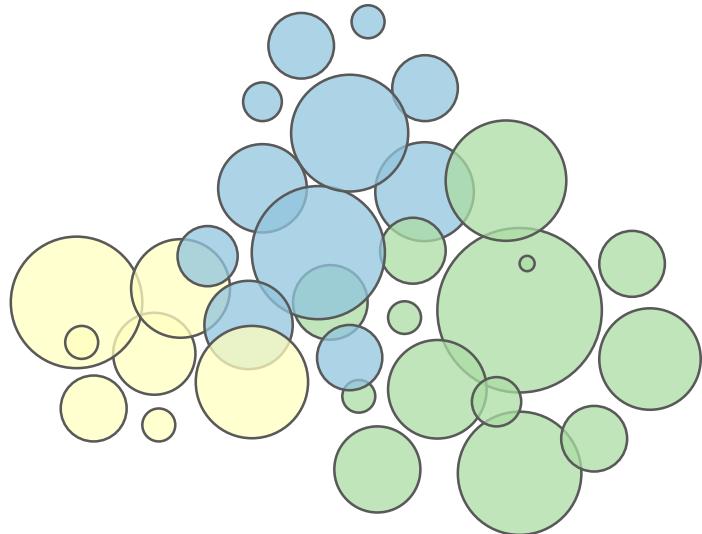
# EU Knowledge Space Evolution and Recombination Hotspots

(2010-2014)

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Edge	35,967
Network Density	1.512
Ave. CC	0.44
Ave. Path length	1.89

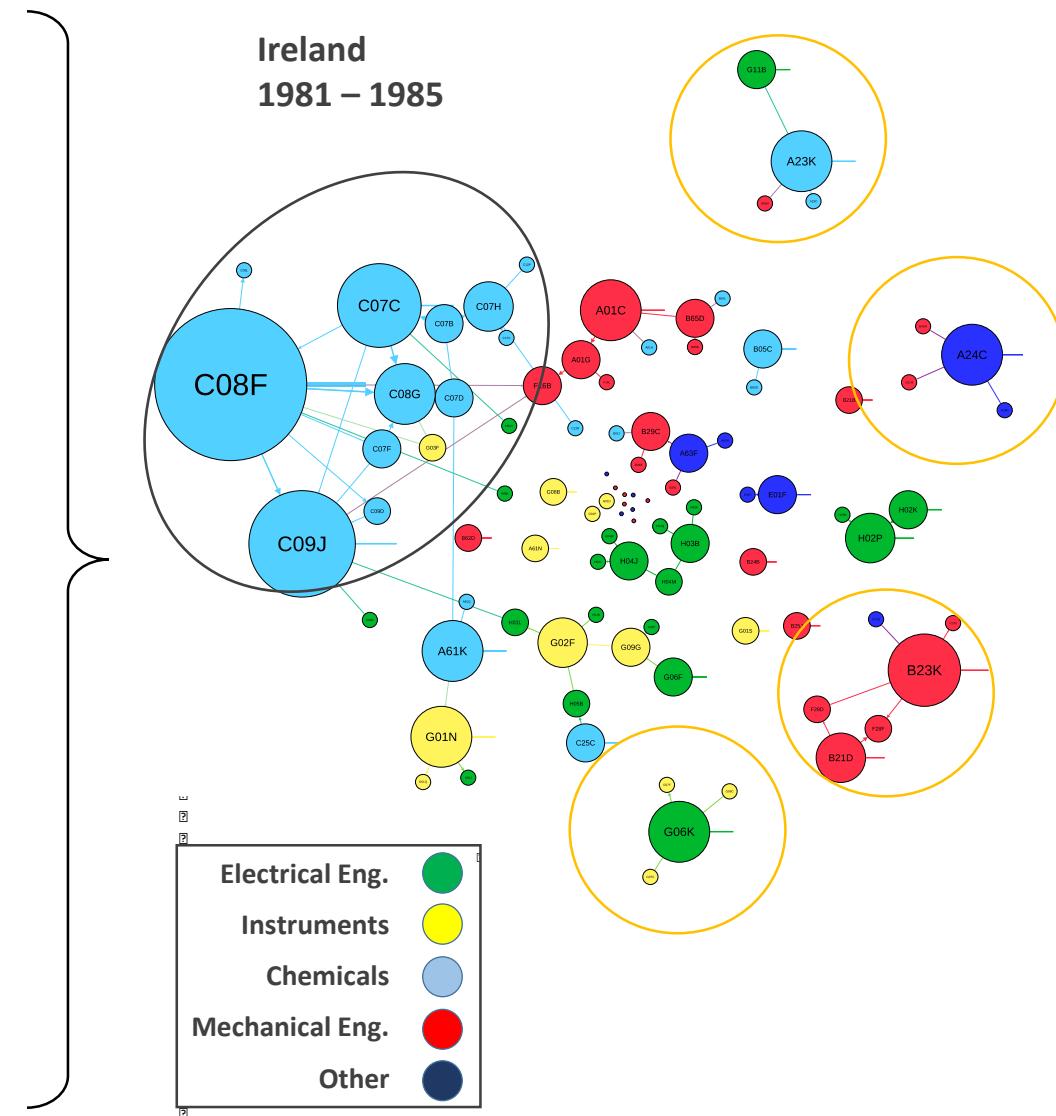


# The Evolution of the Irish Knowledge Space



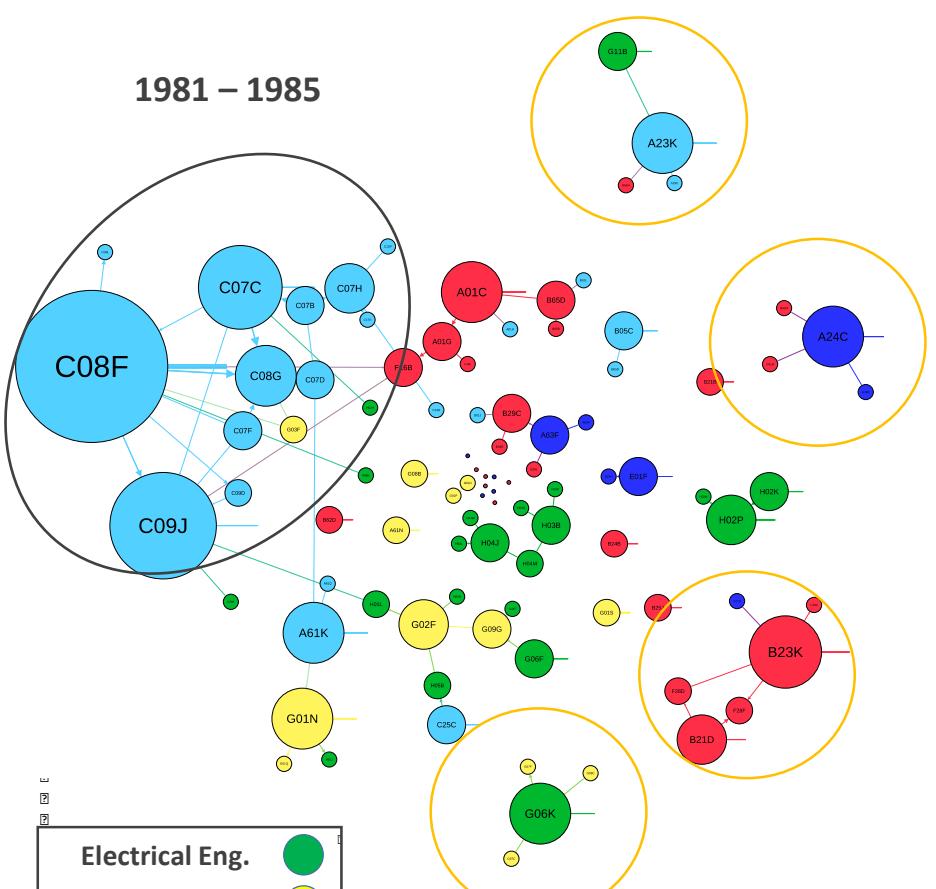
Co-occurrence matrix of IPC codes

	IT01	IT02	IT03	BIO01	BIO02	BIO03	NT01	NT02	NT03
IT01	■								
IT02		■	■						
IT03			■	■					
BIO01				■					
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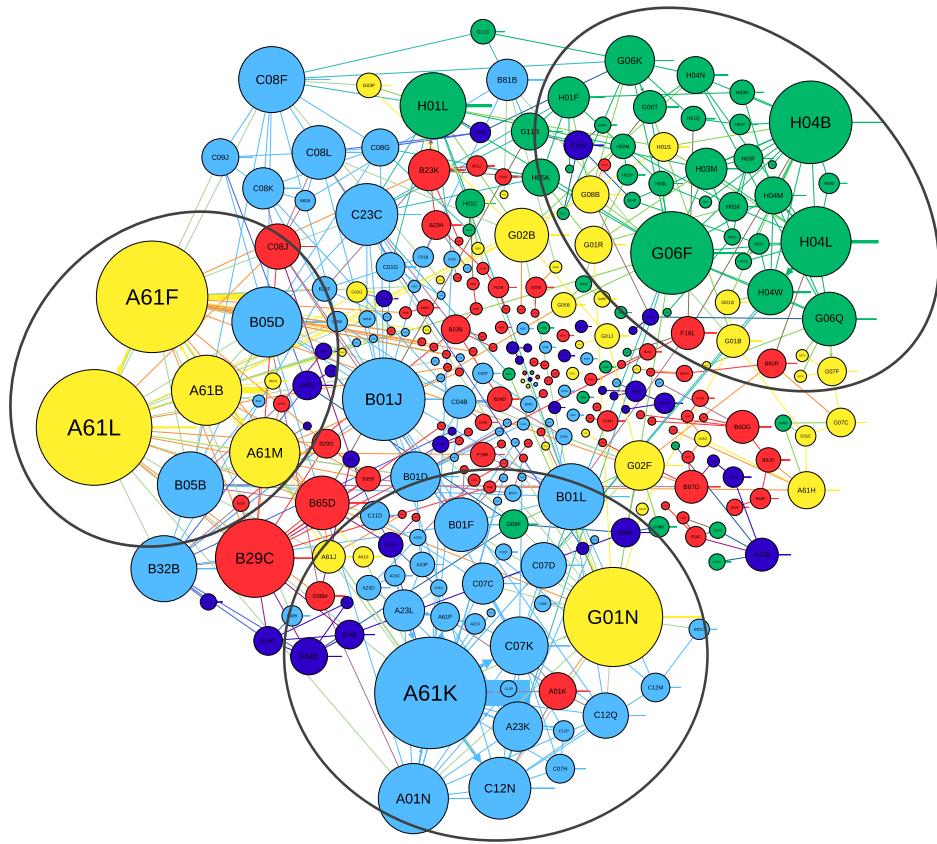
1981 – 1985



**Electrical Eng.**  
**Instruments**  
**Chemicals**  
**Mechanical Eng.**  
**Other**

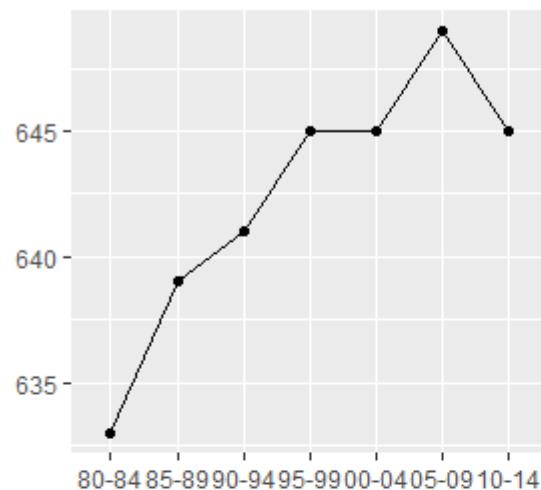
Adam Whittle – GOIPG/2015/2957

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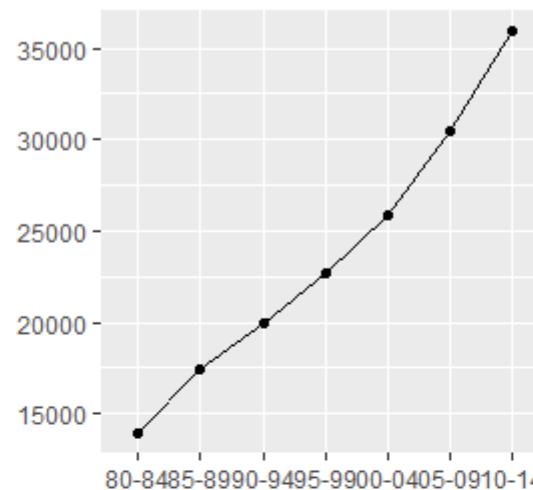


# EU Knowledge Space Evolution – Network Measures

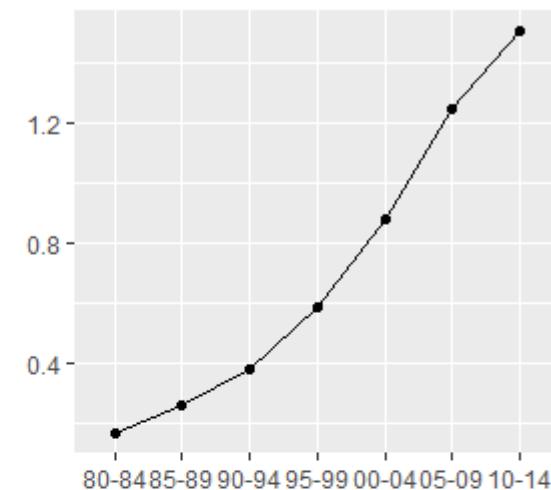
**A** No. Nodes



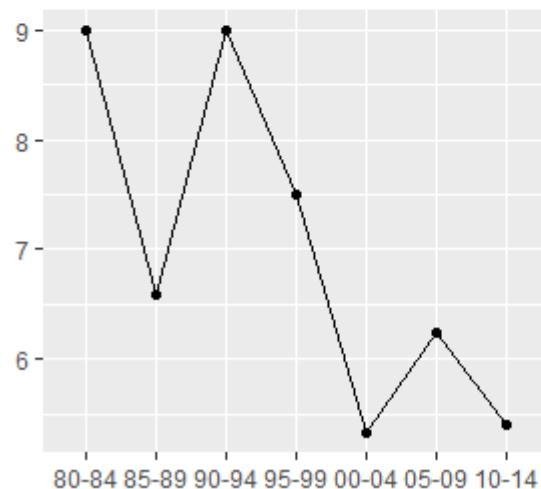
**B** No. Edges



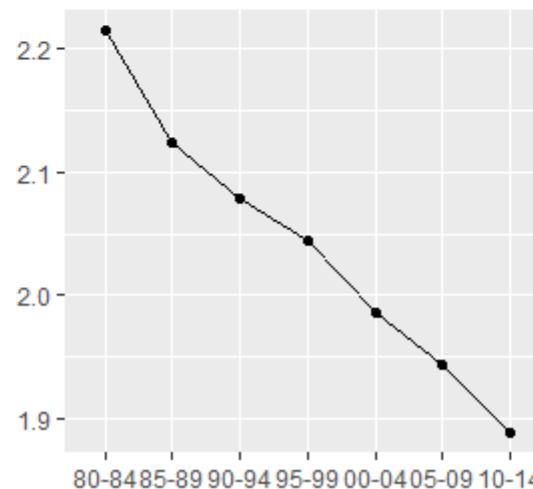
**C** Net.density



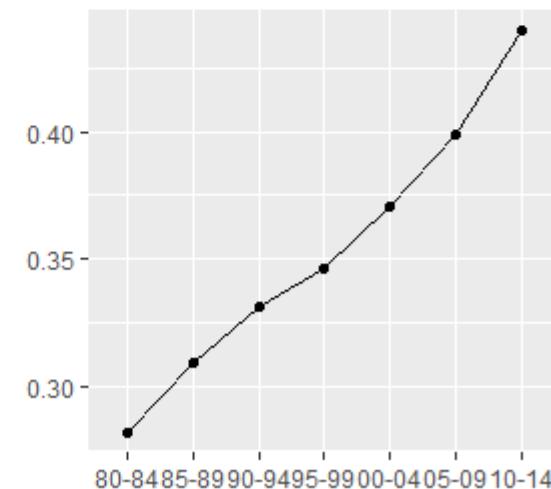
**D** Net.diameter



**E** Ave.pathlength

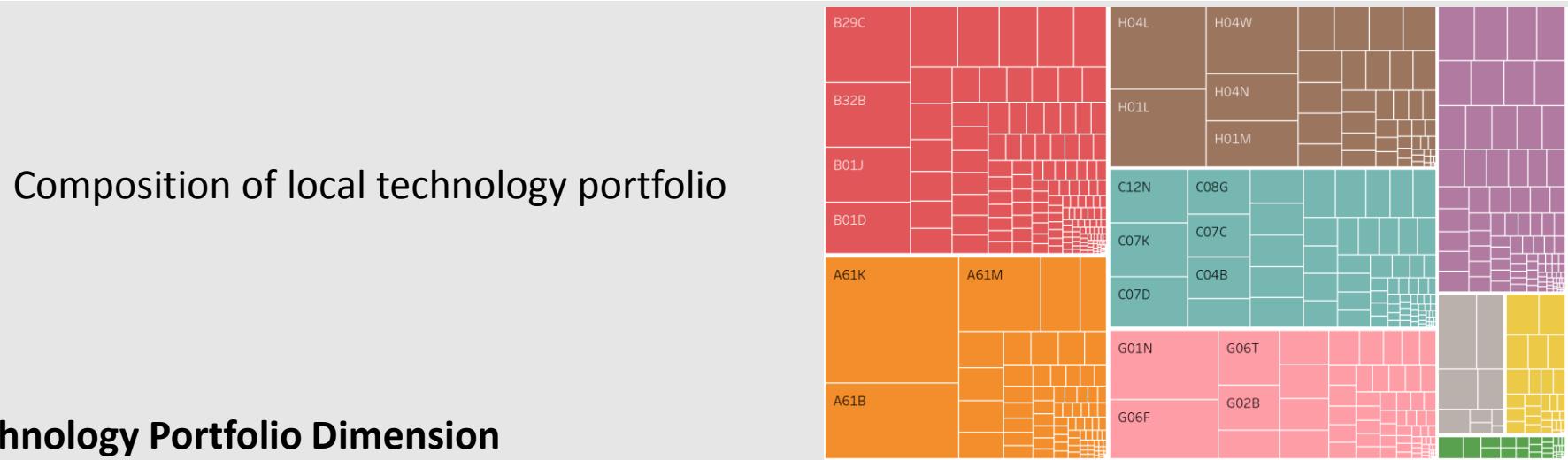


**F** Ave.CC



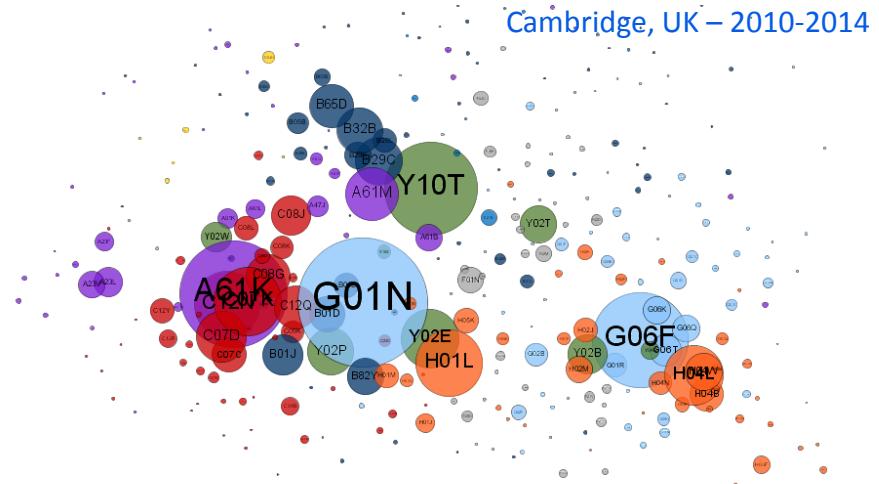
# *Local Knowledge Spaces – Two Dimensions*

## Two Relevant Dimensions in Local KS: Composition of Nodes & Connectivity



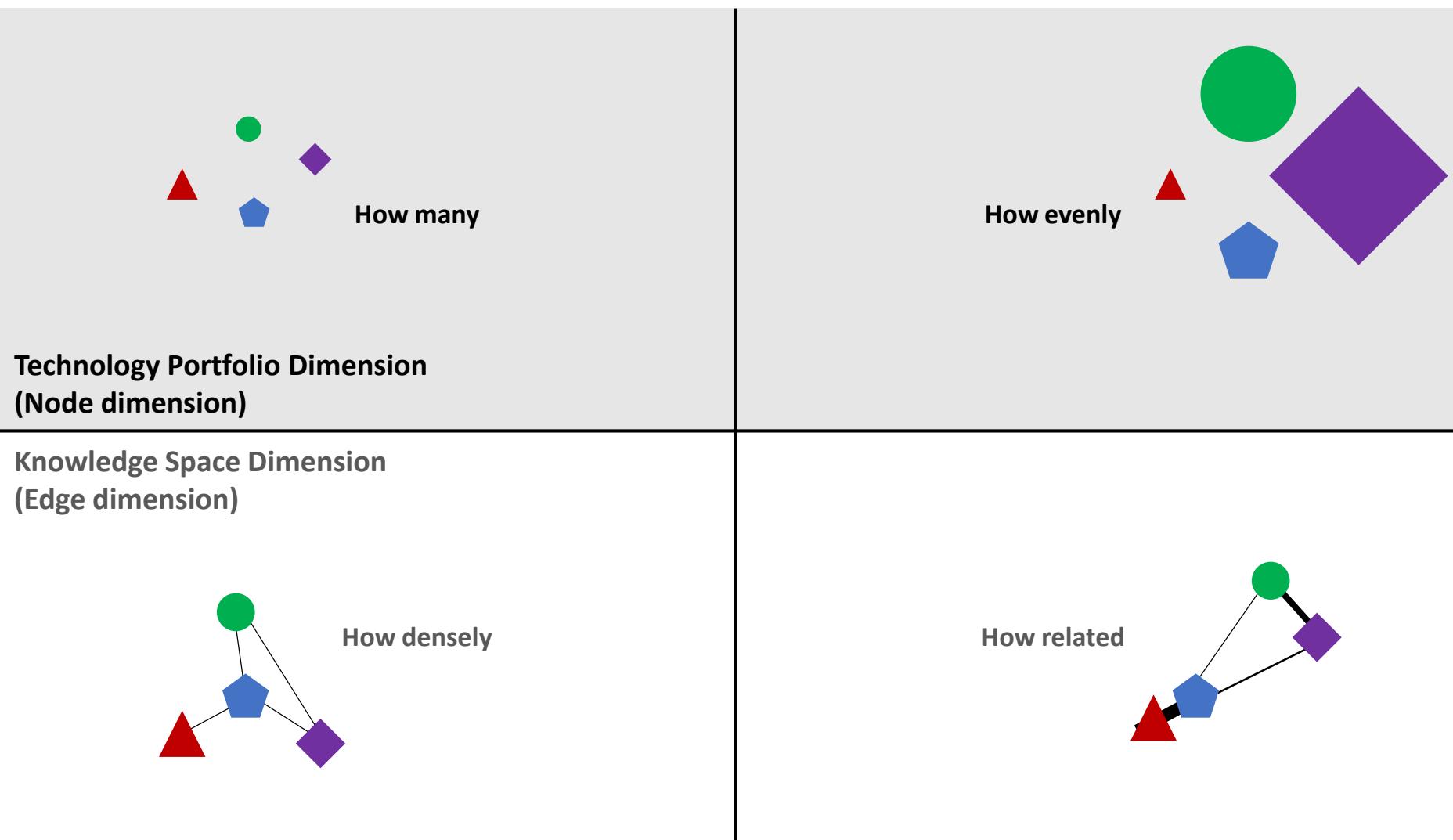
# Technology Portfolio Dimension

Cambridge, UK – 2010-2014



# Local Knowledge Structure – Four Dimensions?!

Two Dimensions become Four Dimensions...



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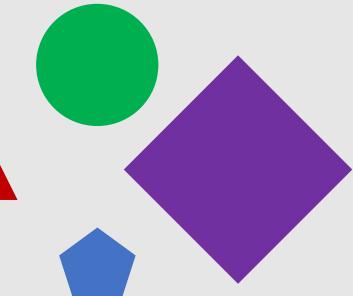
## Measurements

**Technology Pool**  
The number of unique CPC codes found in the local portfolio

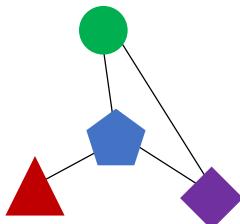


**Technology Portfolio Dimension  
(Node dimension)**

**Entropy** of CPC codes in the local technology portfolio



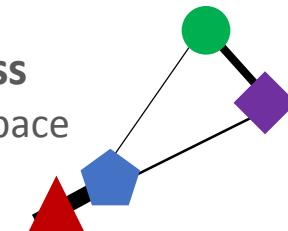
**Knowledge Space Dimension  
(Edge dimension)**



**Recombinant Density**  
Network density in the local knowledge space

The proportion of direct ties in a network relative to the total number possible

**Average Relatedness**  
in the local knowledge space



Total technology relatedness based on the universal (EU) knowledge space

# Balance and Synergies Among Dimensions

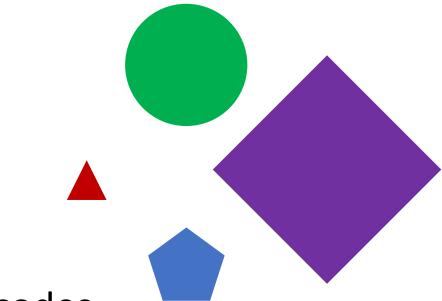
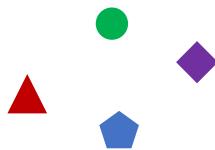
## Node dimension: Quantity and Distribution of Building Blocks

### Technology Pool

The number of unique CPC codes found in the local portfolio



**Entropy** of CPC codes in the local technology portfolio



- Quantity is a necessary first condition for possibly generating new recombinant knowledge!
  - ❖ ...good **Selection** is made in high **Diversity**... (well-known fact in evolutionary biology)
  - ❖ **Variety** (Related or Unrelated) in a region supports the entry into new recombinant knowledge spaces

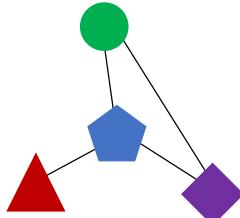
# Balance and Synergies Among Dimensions

## Edge dimension: Density and Relatedness of Building Blocks

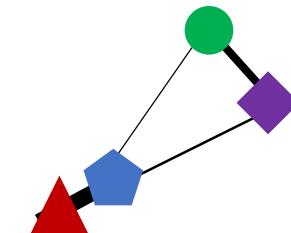
- The connection of nodes previously unconnected results in novel knowledge recombinations
  - ❖ Recombinant knowledge occurs frequently among technologies that exhibit **high proximity** to each other
  - ❖ **High density** boosts probability to combine existing technologies and create a new one

### Recombinant Density

Network density in the local knowledge space



### Average Relatedness in the local knowledge space

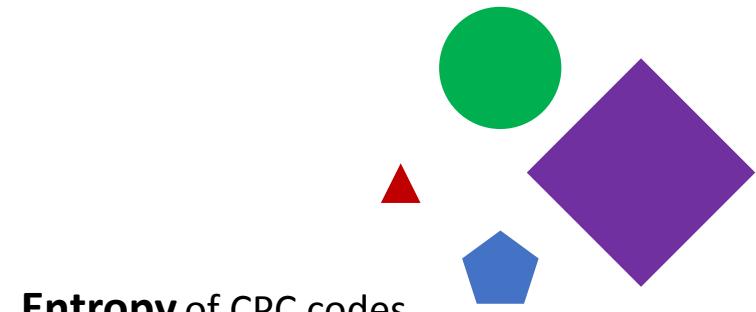
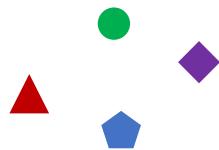


# *Balance and Synergies Among Dimensions*

**Both dimensions are important, but..**

## **Technology Pool**

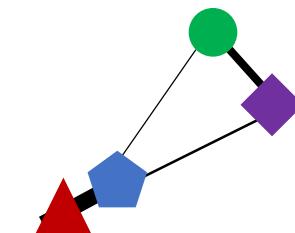
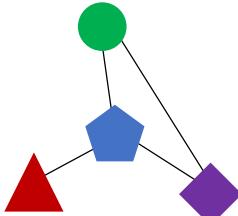
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**Entropy** of CPC codes in the local technology portfolio

## **Recombinant Density**

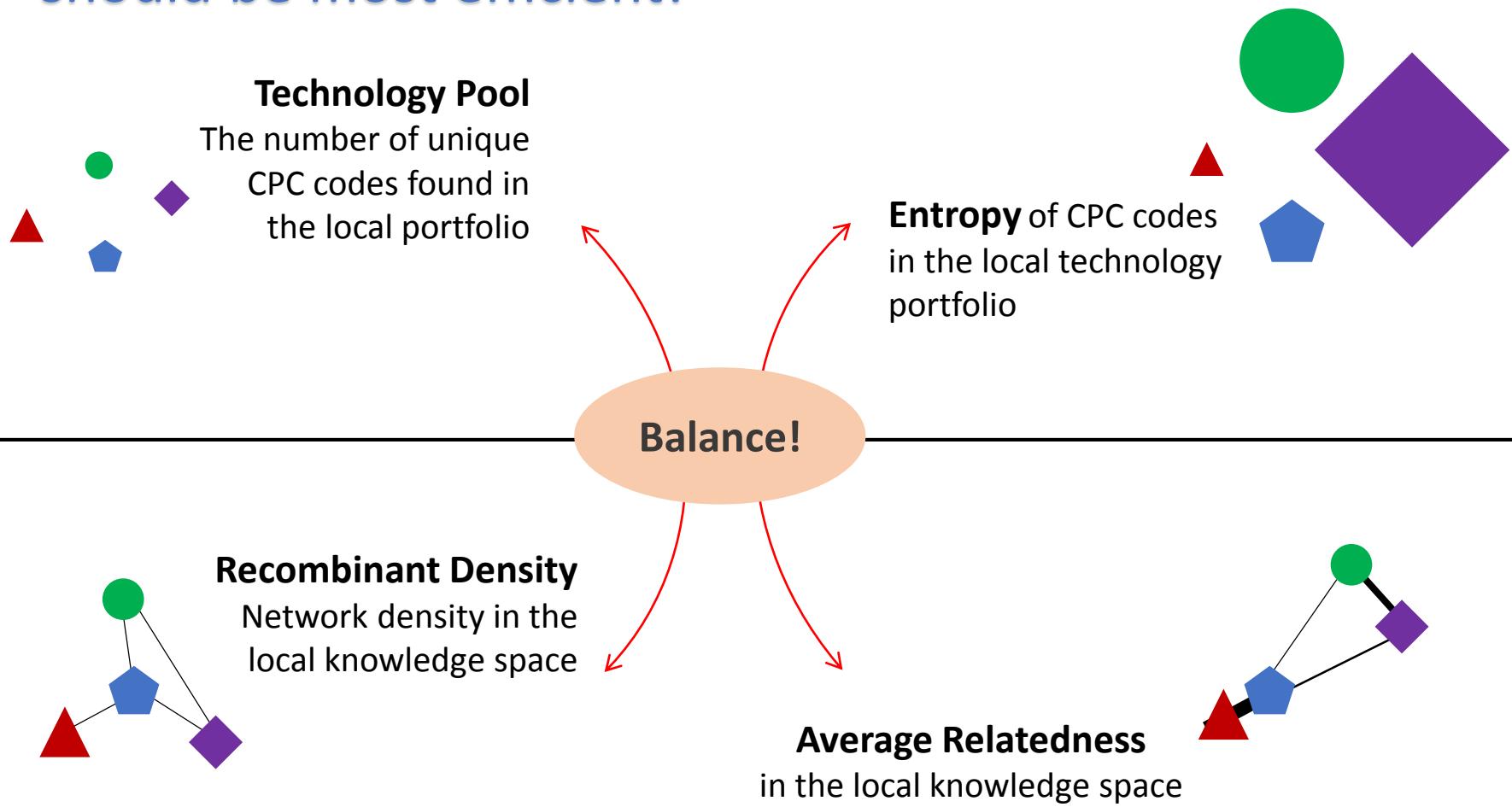
Network density in the local knowledge space



**Average Relatedness**  
in the local knowledge space

# Balance and Synergies Among Dimensions

...the **balance** between node and edge dimensions  
should be most efficient!



# *NUTS3 & Metropolitan Regions*

1,387 NUTS 3 (2013) Regions in EU 28 + 2

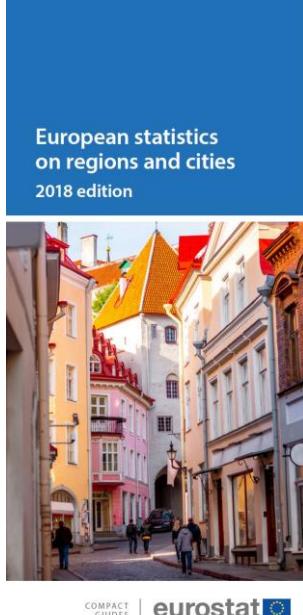
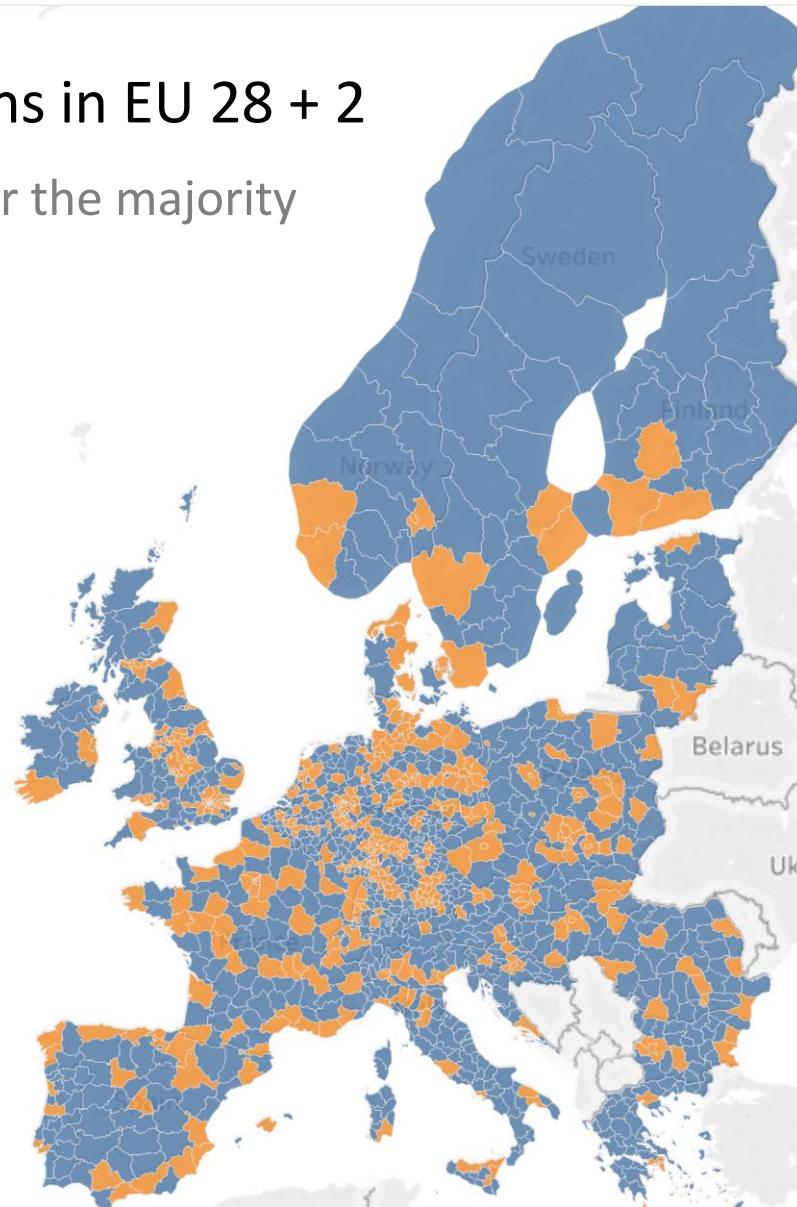
→ Not the most suitable scale for the majority of socio-economic analysis!

**Example – London UK:**  
20 NUTS 3 & 3 NUTS 2 Regions

Reclassification into  
1,123 Regions

**274 Metro-Regions**  
**849 Non-Metro Regions**

→ These 1,123 regions are suitable for most socio-economic analysis!



# Novel Regional Recombinations – Modelling Approach

Linear Mixed Model with Time and Regional Fixed Effects, and Country Random Effects

**Model 1. New Recombinations – Relatedness & Entropy**

$$Y_{ijt} = \beta_0 + \beta_1 Entropy_{ijt} + \beta_2 Relatedness_{ijt} + \beta_3 (Entropy_{ijt} \times Relatedness_{ijt}) + \beta_4 X_{ijt} + \beta_5 Year.FE_t + \beta_6 Regional.FE_{ij} + \mu_{ij} + \varepsilon_{ijt}$$

**Model 2. New Recombinations – Entropy & Density**

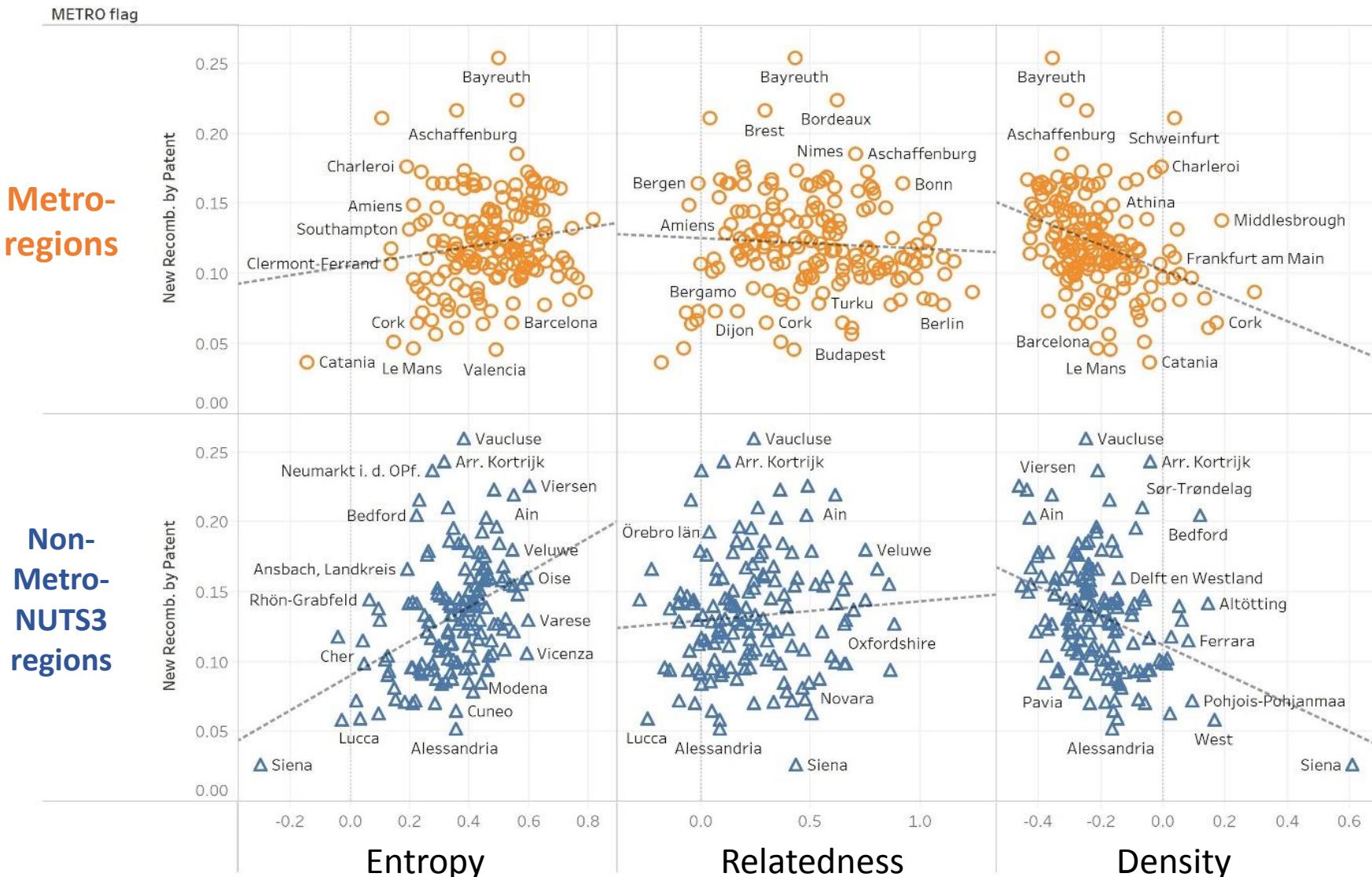
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**Model 3. New Recombinations – Density & Relatedness**

$$Y_{it} = \beta_0 + \beta_1 Density_{it} + \beta_2 Relatedness_{it} + \beta_3 (Density_{it} \times Relatedness_{it}) + \beta_4 X_{ijt} + \beta_5 Year.FE_t + \beta_6 Regional.FE_{ij} + \mu_{ij} + \varepsilon_{ijt}$$

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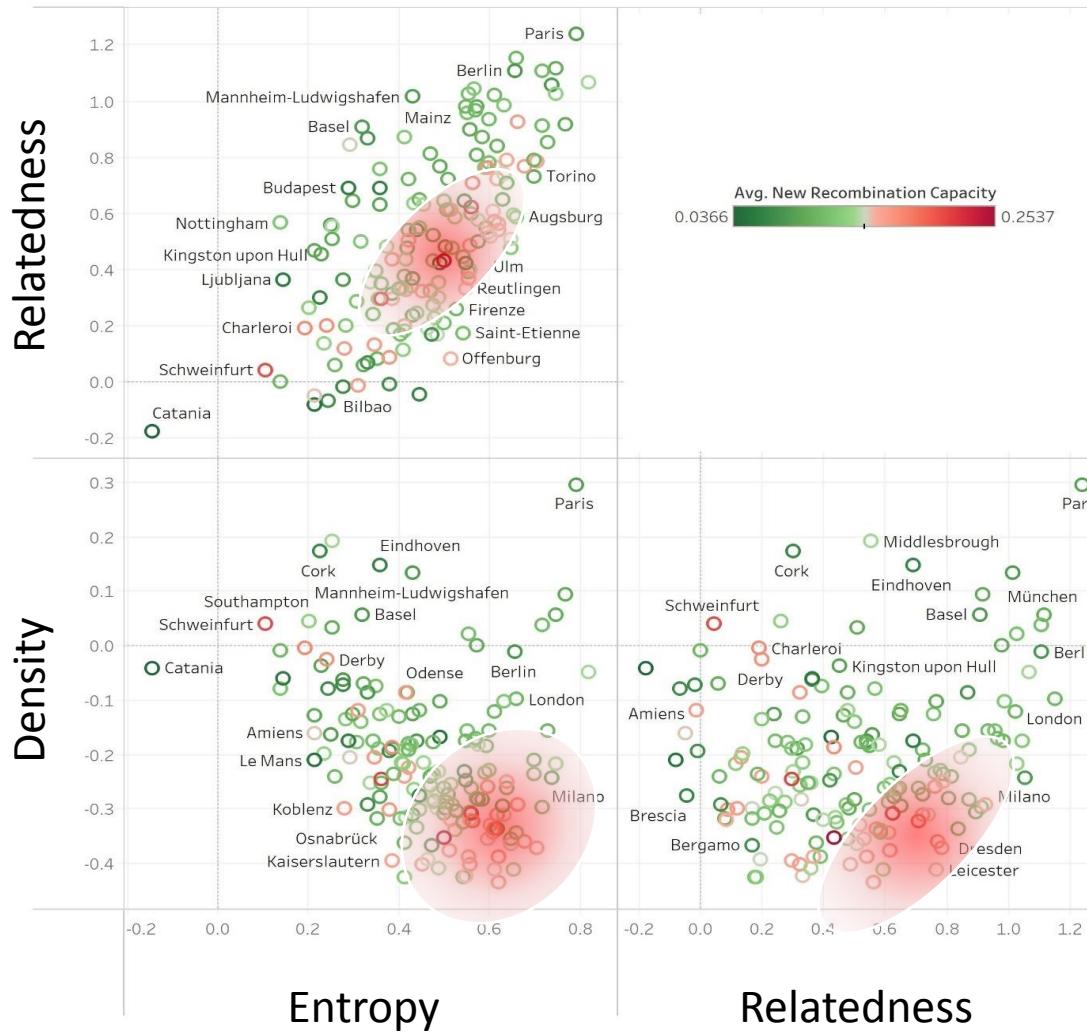
Correlation between independent variables (Entropy, Relatedness, and Density) and regional knowledge recombination capabilities.



# Descriptive Statistics II

Density in the regional capacity of generating new recombinations among the node and edge dimensions (metro-city regions)

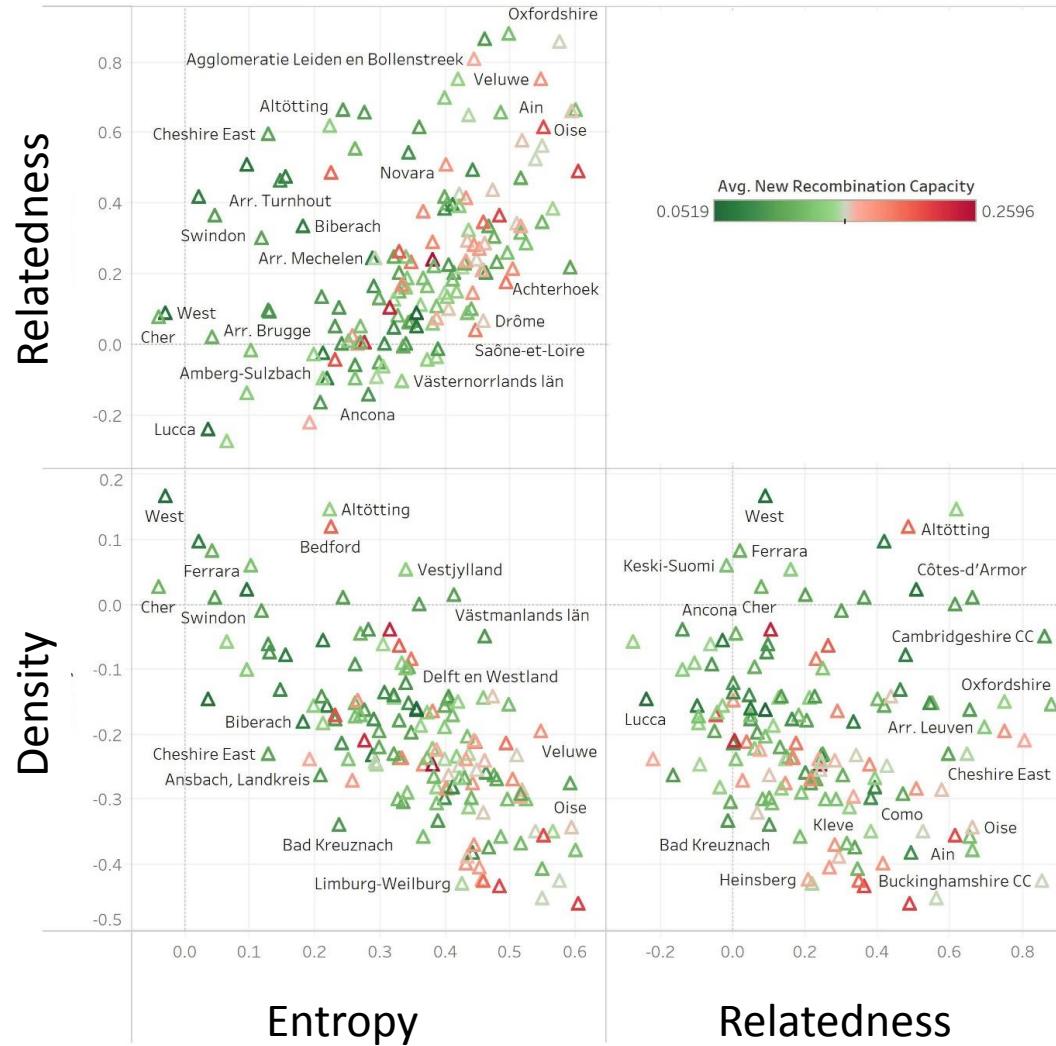
## Metro-regions



# *Descriptive Statistics III*

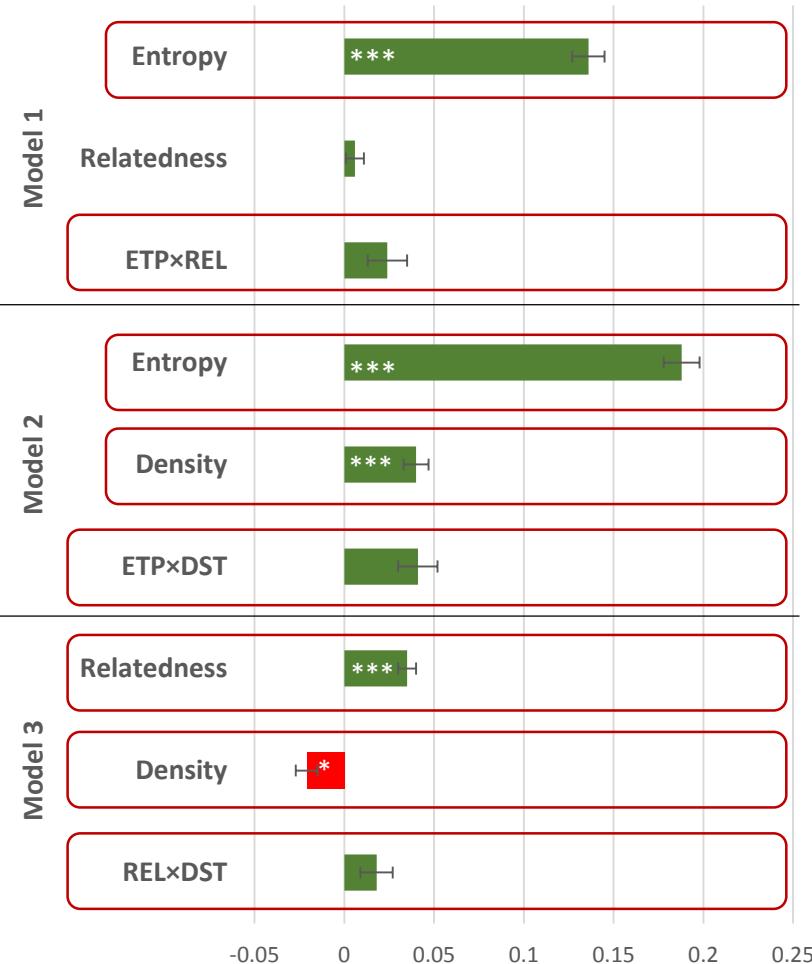
Density in the regional capacity of generating new recombinations among the node and edge dimensions (non-Metro NUTS III regions)

## Non-Metro NUTS3 regions



# RESULTS (Coefficients and S.E.s in Regression Models)

## Metro-city regions

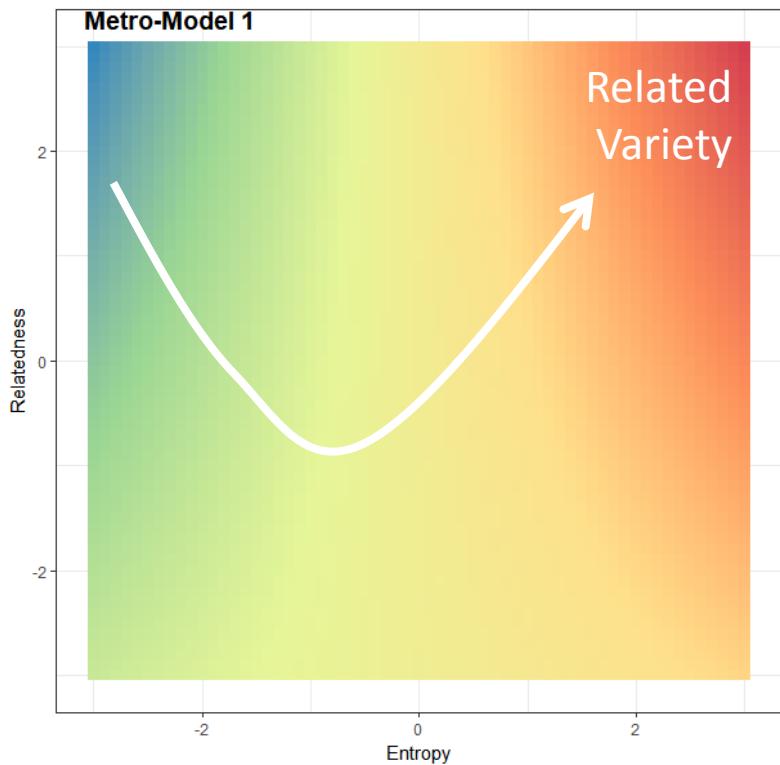


## Non-Metro NUTS III regions

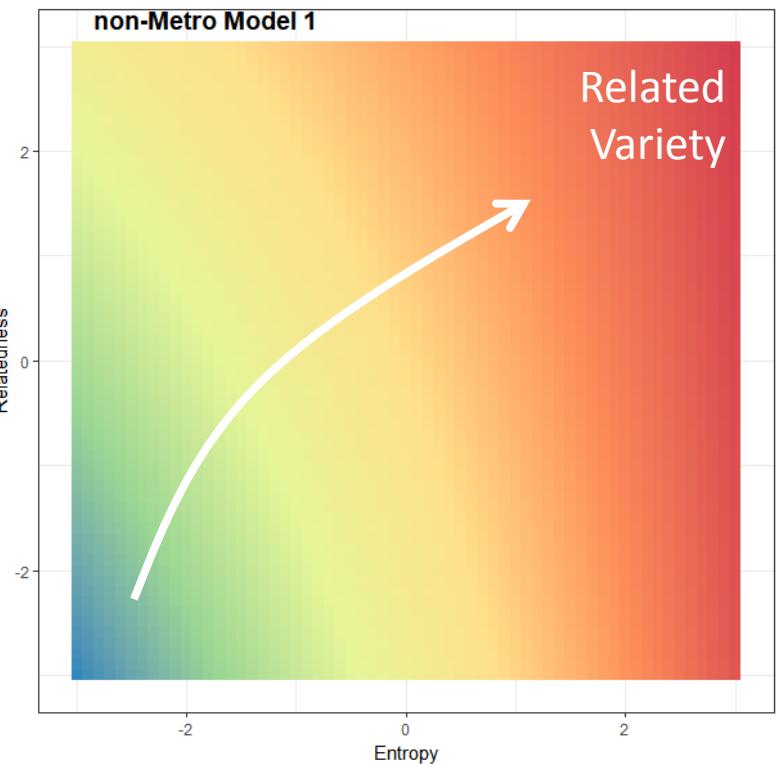


## Model 1: Entropy & Relatedness

*Metro-city regions*

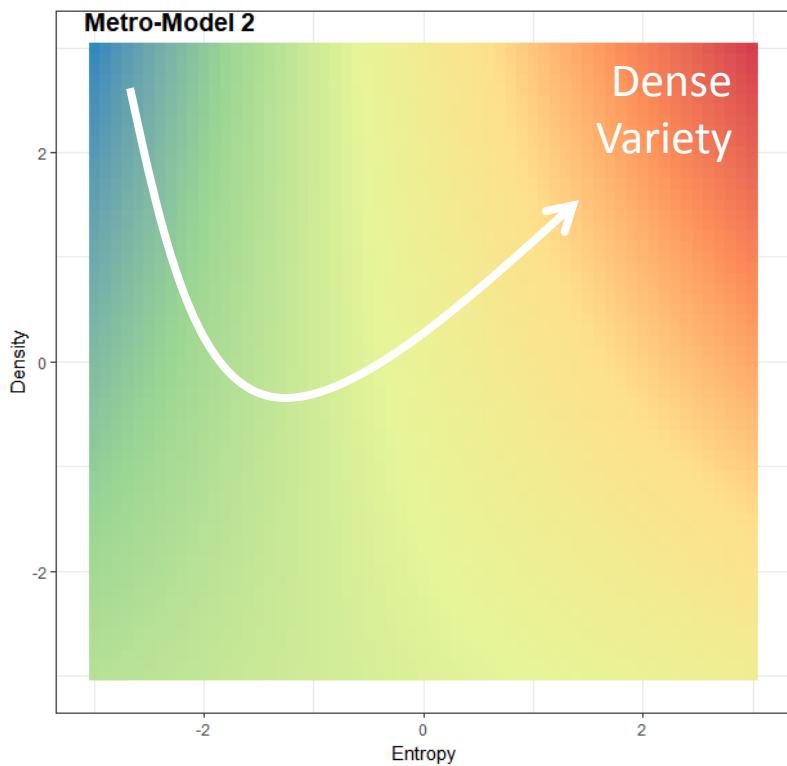


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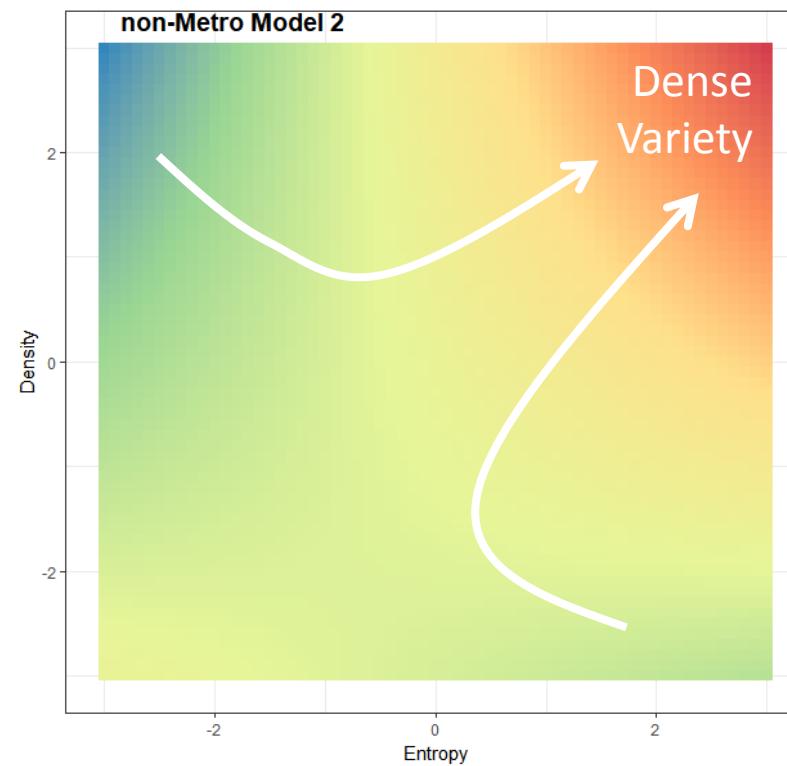


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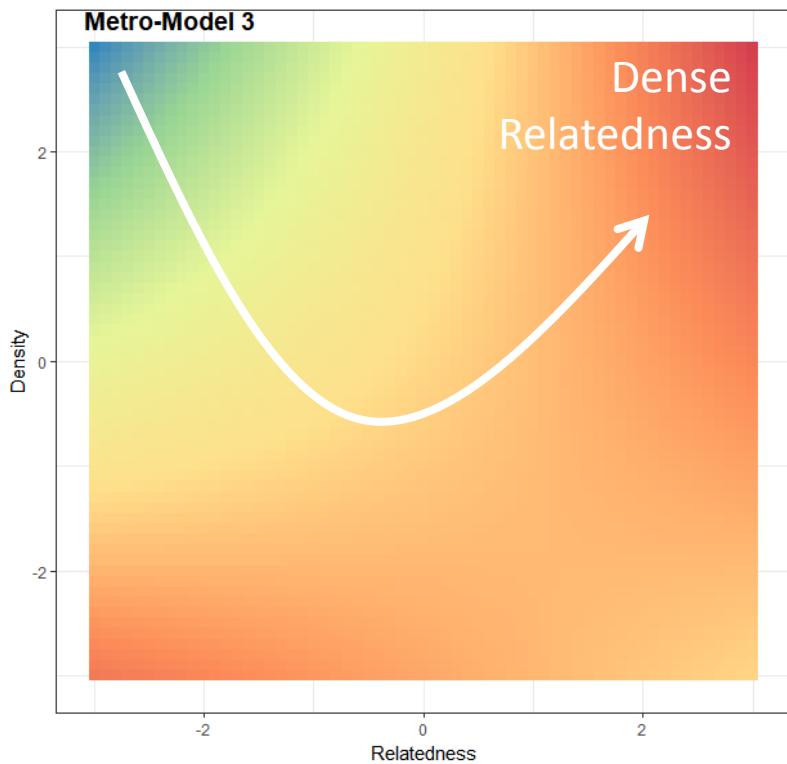


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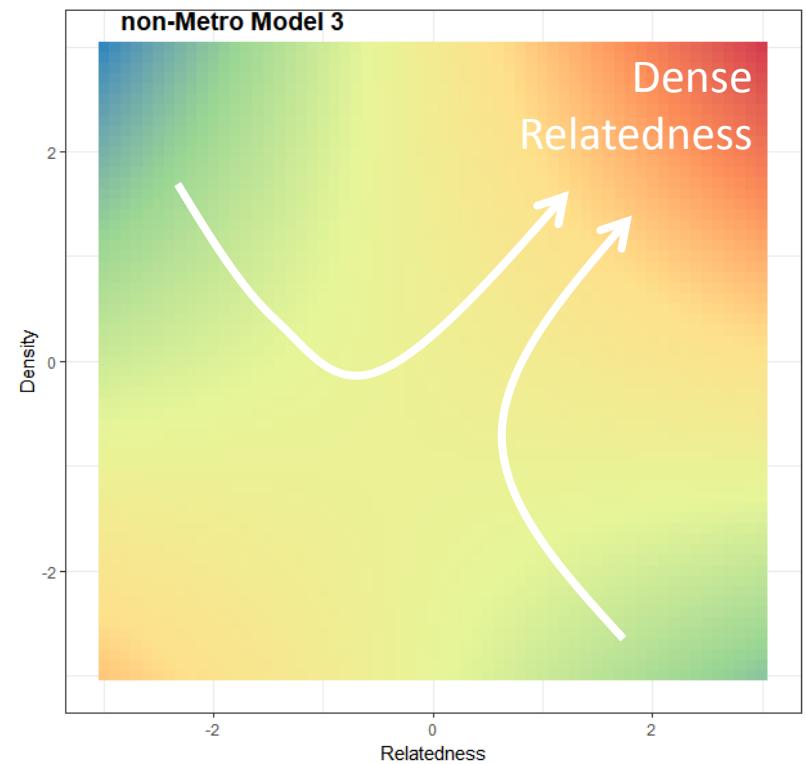


## Model 3: Relatedness & Density

*Metro-city regions*



*Non-Metro NUTS III regions*



# Discussion

- The Importance of the **Node Dimension**:
  - ❖ High Entropy and a large/wide pool of available technological knowledge is beneficial in any stage of the technology development process
  - ❖ Entropy is completed by Relatedness (**high Related Variety**)
- The **Edge Dimension** gains importance once enough diversity is achieved:
  - ❖ Entropy is ideally complemented by Density (**high Dense Variety**) in generating regional recombinant capacity
  - ❖ Relatedness is preferably also complemented by Density (**high Related Density or Dense Relatedness**)

# *Take-Home Message...Policy Implications?!*

- **The evolutionary trajectory of novel knowledge production:**  
Node → Edge dimensional extension
    - ❖ Node extension: a mandatory condition
    - ❖ Edge extension: will boost the creation of new recombinant knowledge
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**Knowledge-based** and knowledge-driven **economic development** might be a **two stage-process**. Pending on the developmental stage of a given locality, perhaps initial focus needs to be on increasing diversity (Jacobian-type knowledge spillovers) while later attention should shift towards specialization (MAR-type of knowledge spillovers) if diversity is maintained.

Smart Specialization Strategies (S3) driven policy instruments geared towards the development of lagging regions might differ considerably to those that aim to increase efficiency and growth in already advance economies...

# Artificial Intelligence & the Knowledge Space

## OK Computer: The Creation and Integration of AI in Europe

**Bernardo Buarque, Ron Davies, Ryan Hynes & Dieter F. Kogler**

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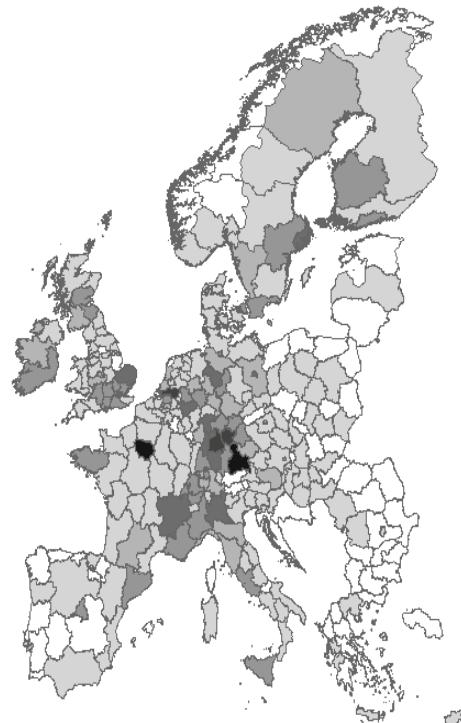
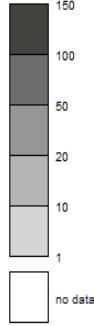


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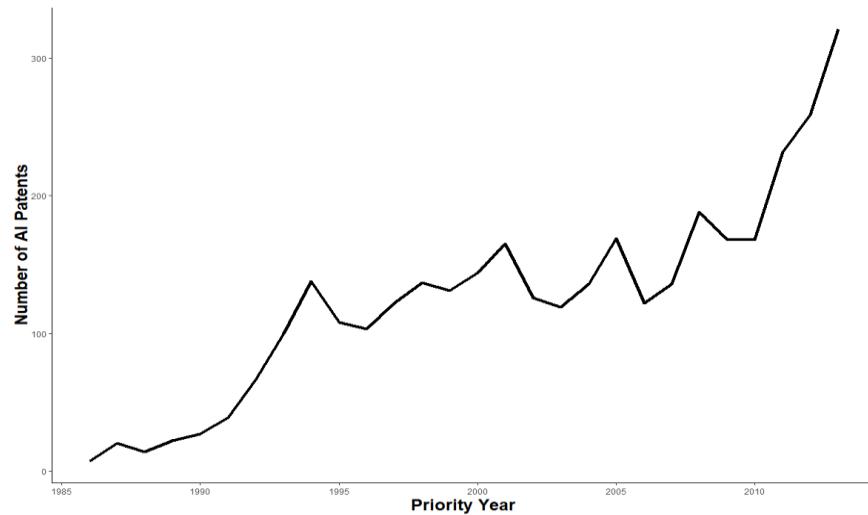
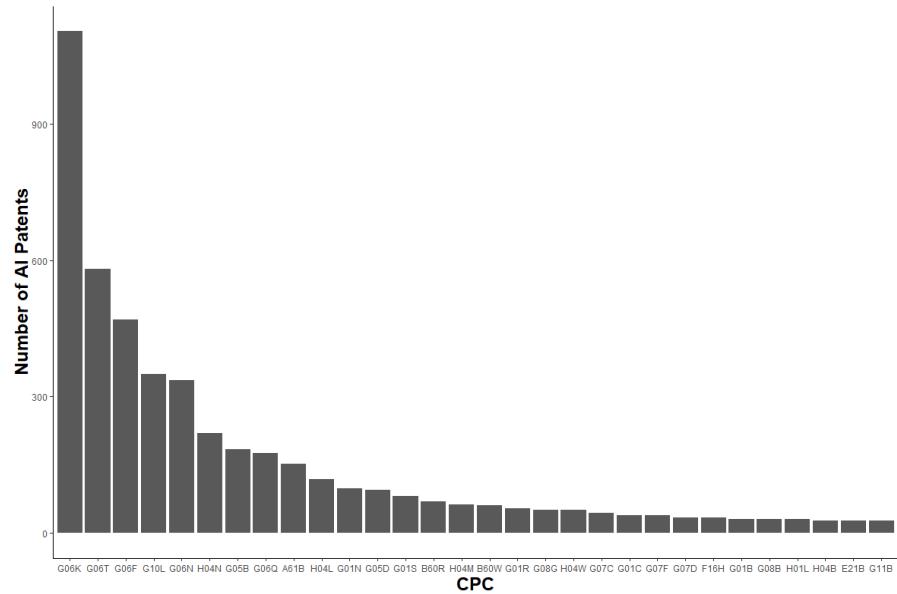
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# AI – Knowledge Domains, Location & Growth

No. Patents

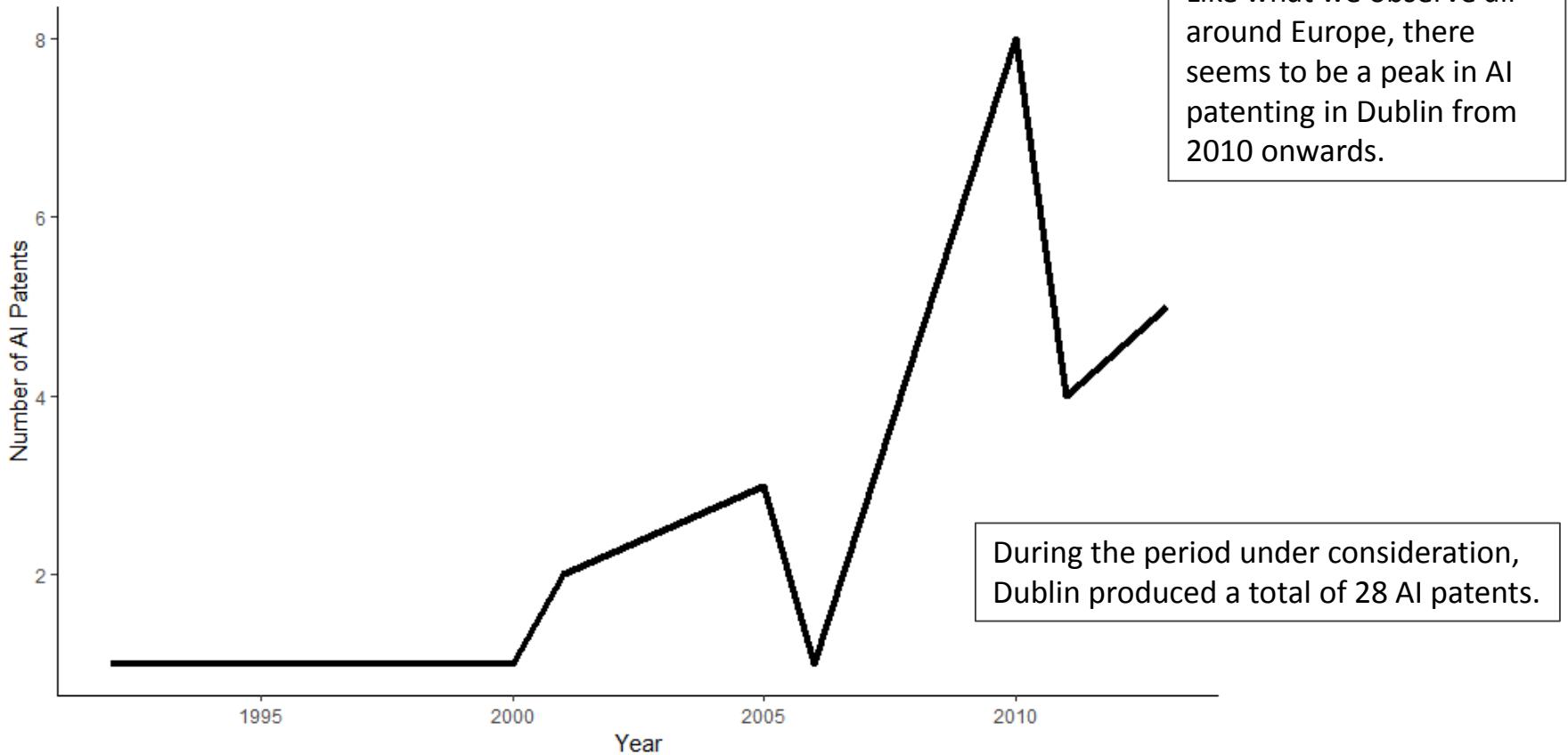


EU NUTS2 AI Patents - 2013



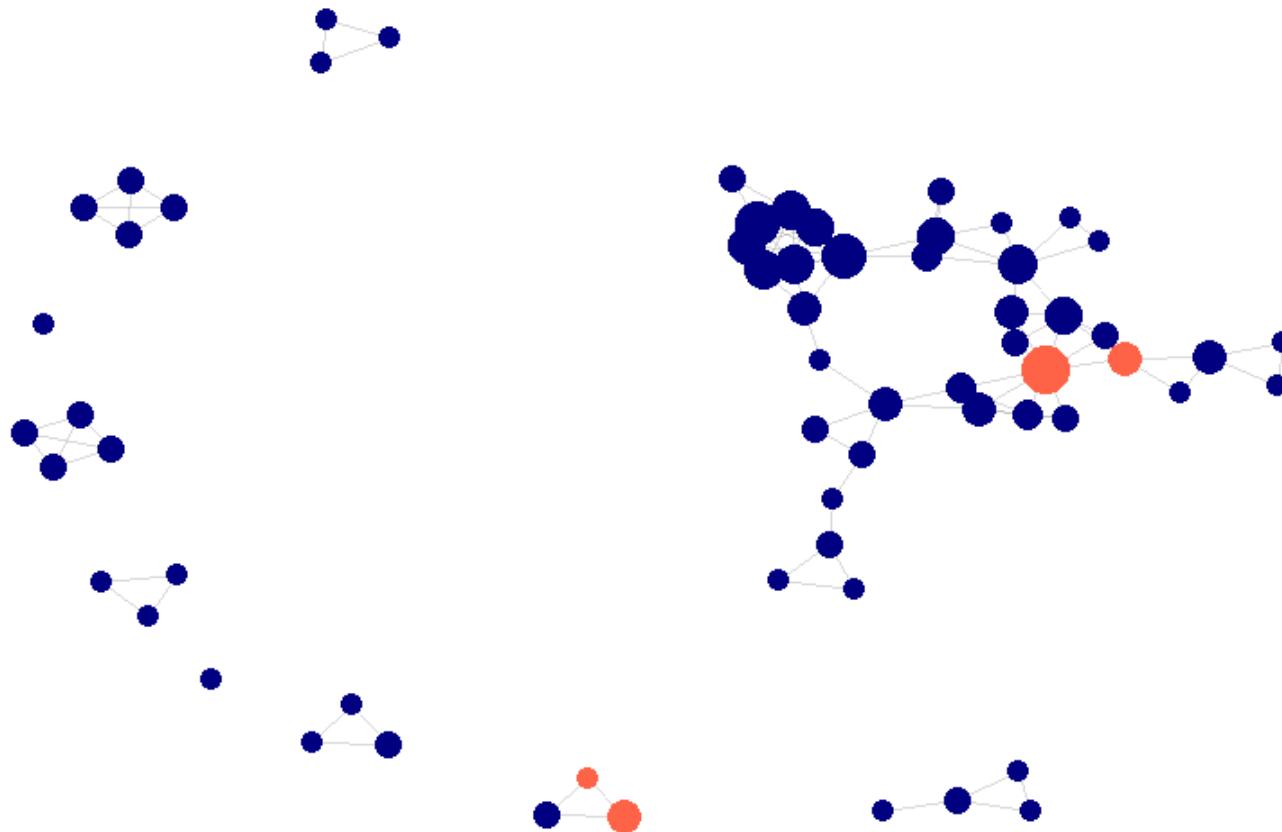
# *Artificial Intelligence in Dublin*

## Number of AI patent applications in Dublin (IE021) from 1980 to 2013



# The AI Centrality Index (AICI)

Dublin's Knowledge Space (IE021) between 1987-1990



In red, we highlighted the 12 AI-related CPC codes.

AICI = 83

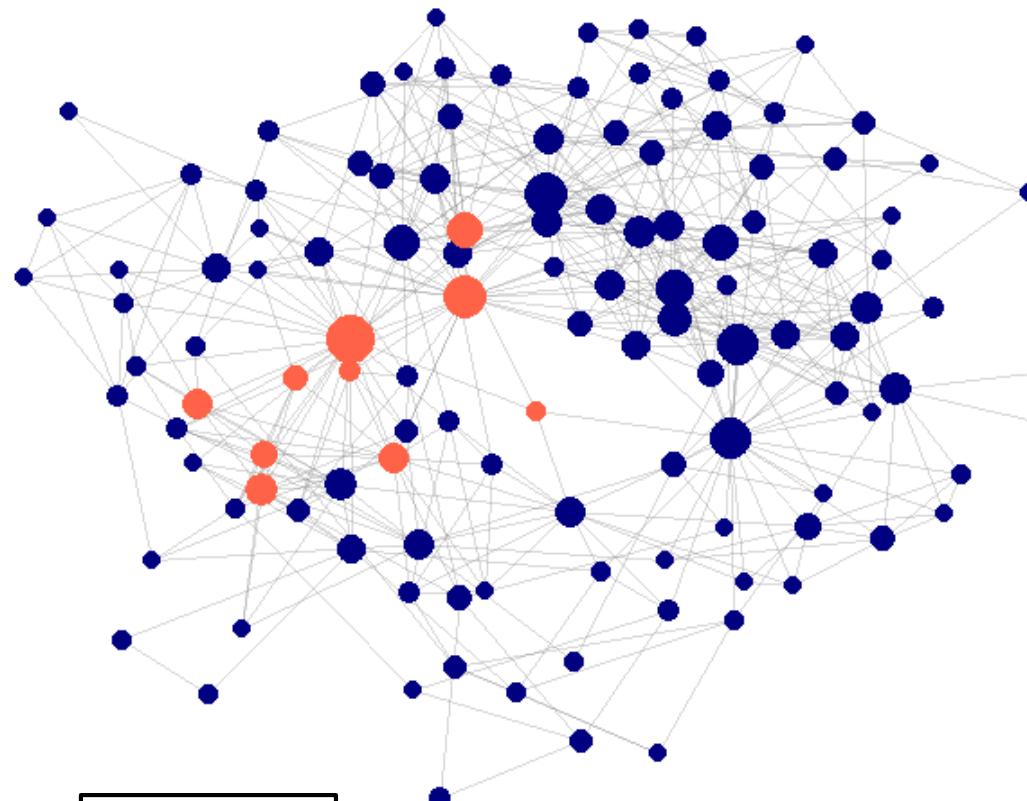
To construct the index, I used the weights from a principal component analysis applied to network statistics collected for all NUTS2 regions. Then, we calculated AICI for Dublin – NUTS3 level.



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# Artificial Intelligence Knowledge Space

## Knowledge Space for Dublin (IE021) between 2008 and 2013



There was significant growth in terms of the centrality of those 12 AI-related CPC codes.

Dublin has become specialized in computing. The city has the necessary building blocks to enter the AI market.

Nevertheless, Dublin is not yet a key AI-player in Europe. As we can infer from the different rankings used to compare the NUTS2 regions - Buarque et al. (2019).

# Artificial Intelligence Knowledge Space

## Top AI producers in Europe between 1980 and 2013

NUTS2	No.app	Ranking
FR10	266	1
DE21	240	2
DE25	143	3
NL41	117	4
DE11	111	5
DE12	77	6
DE71	71	7
UKH1	69	8
ITC4	64	9
DE30	63	10
DEA2	63	10
FR71	58	11
DE14	57	12
DE92	56	13
SE11	55	14
SE22	46	15
UKJ2	45	16
UKJ1	42	17
FI1B	41	18
FR82	39	19
UKK1	38	20
CH04	36	21
DE23	36	21
ES51	36	21
CH01	35	22
DE13	35	22
IE02	35	22
ITG1	35	22
ITC1	31	23
BE21	30	24
ES30	30	24
UKI3	30	24
UKI4	30	24
DEA1	29	25

Dublin is among the 25 top AI producing regions in Europe. However, regarding specialization in computing, it has only the 40th largest share of patents on the 12 AI-related CPC codes.

## Largest shares of AI related CPC codes between 1980 and 2013

NUTS2	Share	Ranking			
FR10	0.069262	1	UKJ3	0.012884	21
DE21	0.056401	2	FI19	0.012761	22
NL41	0.054477	3	CH04	0.011492	23
SE11	0.029469	4	ITC4	0.010656	24
DE11	0.027379	5	DE92	0.010604	25
DE12	0.025659	6	DE14	0.010157	26
FI1B	0.02525	7	CH02	0.010015	27
DE25	0.022528	8	UKI3	0.00972	28
FR52	0.019929	9	BE21	0.00914	29
FR71	0.019321	10	DEA1	0.008998	30
FR82	0.018248	11	CH01	0.008846	31
DE71	0.018062	12	SE12	0.008803	32
DE13	0.017222	13	DE27	0.007402	33
DEA2	0.017203	14	DEB3	0.007112	34
UKH1	0.014547	15	CH03	0.007074	35
DE30	0.014471	16	NL33	0.006884	36
SE22	0.014162	17	DK01	0.006722	37
UKJ1	0.014062	18	FI1D	0.006414	38
UKJ2	0.01325	19	UKH2	0.0063	39
UKK1	0.012993	20	IE02	0.006176	40

# Artificial Intelligence Knowledge Space

## Largest AICI in Europe between 1980 and 2013

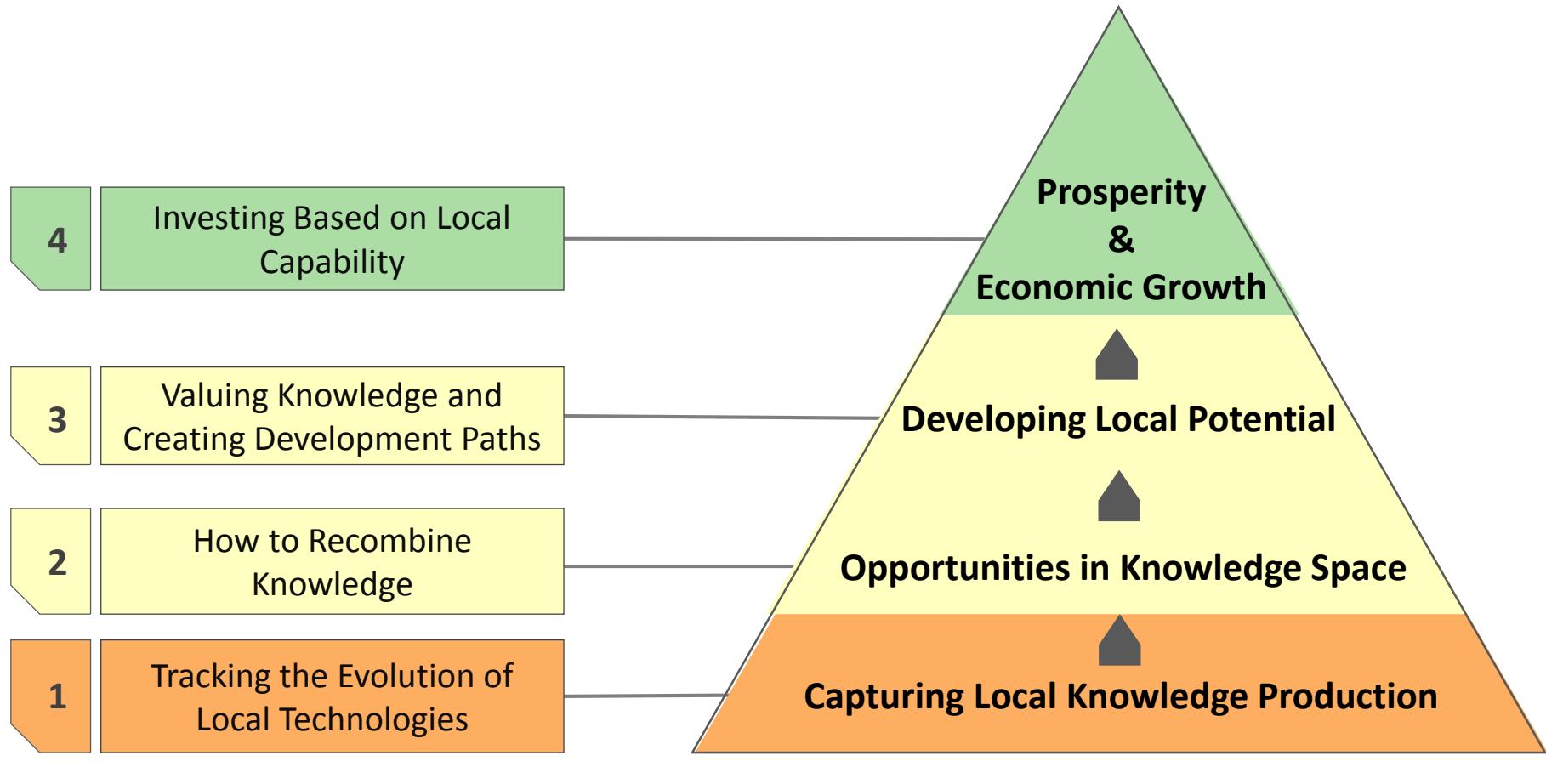
NUTS	AICI	Ranking
ITC1	6.350925	1
SE32	4.86176	2
DE21	4.852207	3
FR23	3.447266	4
SE33	2.80096	5
DE71	2.41966	6
UKH1	2.405457	7
FR10	2.358888	8
DK04	2.323565	9
FRZZ	2.166463	10
UKG3	1.943586	11
UKK1	1.789818	12
DE27	1.784927	13
IE01	1.766425	14
UKM3	1.738448	15
CZ06	1.670304	16
PT17	1.643199	17
ITI4	1.63923	18
ES61	1.615257	19
SI04	1.564548	20
NO01	1.5186	21
NL41	1.481202	22
DE91	1.464005	23
UKI3	1.445759	24
UKJ3	1.41697	25
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IE02	0.353240521	100

When we omit all the AI patents from the Dublin knowledge space, it does not produce particularly significant effects. The region is only number 100th in the European ranking. Thus, computing expertise has not yet translated into AI specialization.

Omitting the 12 AI-related CPCs produces a relatively larger impact on Dublin's knowledge space. When we use this methodology, the region becomes the 52nd in the European ranking of AI centrality.

NUTS	AICI	Ranking			
FR10	297.4417	1	ITC4	110.5305	20
DE21	277.7954	2	CH01	108.311	21
DE11	194.6419	3	FR82	102.7323	22
NL41	181.7336	4	SE22	101.3993	23
DE12	170.2006	5	CH02	101.3785	24
DE71	166.3244	6	SE12	98.13865	25
FR71	161.1041	7	DEA5	96.88259	26
DEA2	151.4684	8	DE92	96.06157	27
DE13	138.4664	9	DE27	95.04496	28
DE25	137.8873	10	CH03	94.29716	29
DE30	129.8216	11	DK01	93.84392	30
DEA1	125.5095	12	UKK1	92.35222	31
CH04	123.7318	13	UKI3	86.19898	32
UKH1	121.2482	14	UKJ3	85.81611	33
UKJ1	118.0884	15	DEB3	85.81226	34
SE11	116.7638	16	.	.	.
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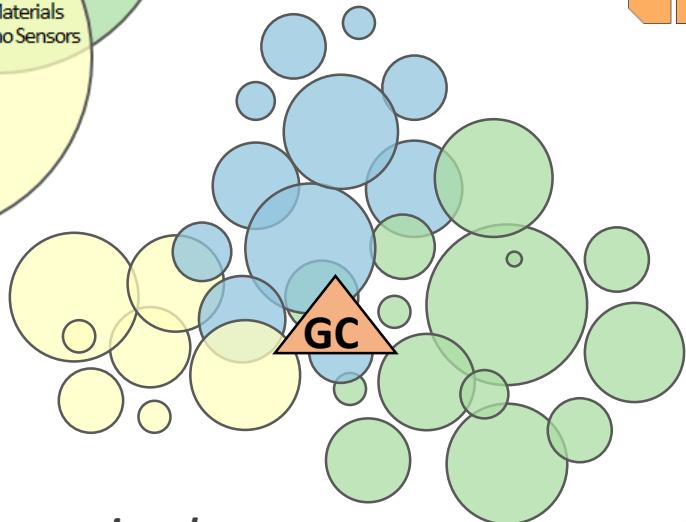
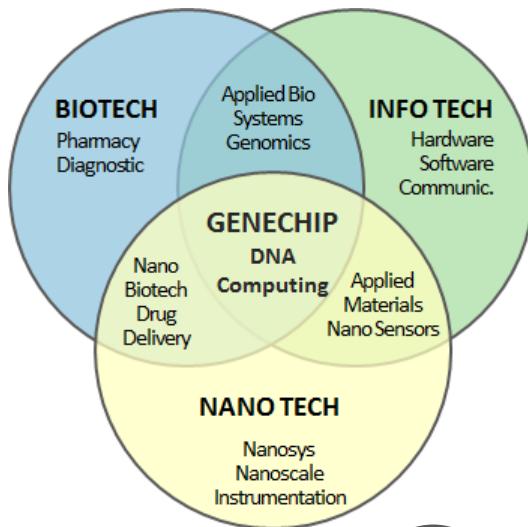
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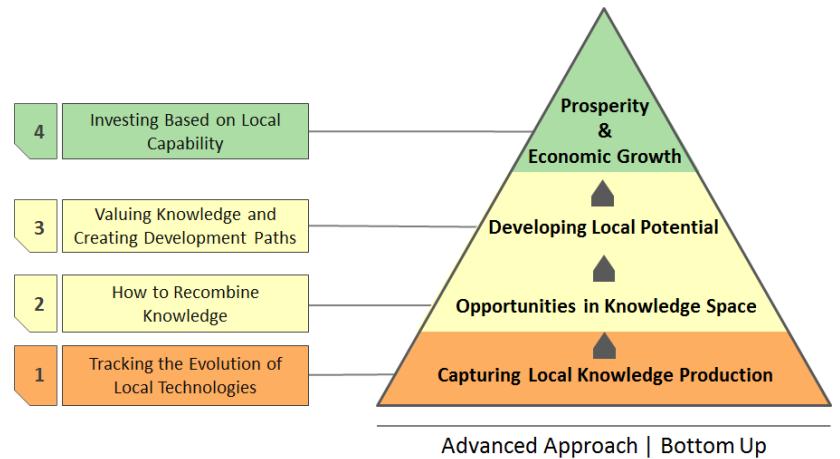
Advanced Bottom Up Approach  
to Economic Development

# Technology Evolution in Regional Economies [TechEvo]

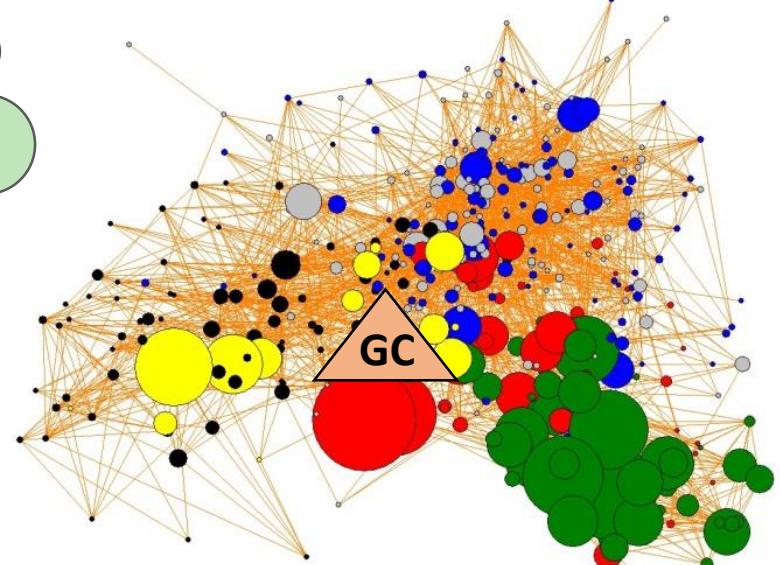
## Economic Reality



*...from serendipitous regional evolutionary trajectories  
to planned and organized development pathways...*



## Knowledge Space



# THE EVOLUTIONARY PROCESS OF KNOWLEDGE RECOMBINATION & SMART SPECIALISATION STRATEGIES FOR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

**Comments are Welcome – Thank you!**

Technology Evolution in Regional Economies  
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## APPENDIX

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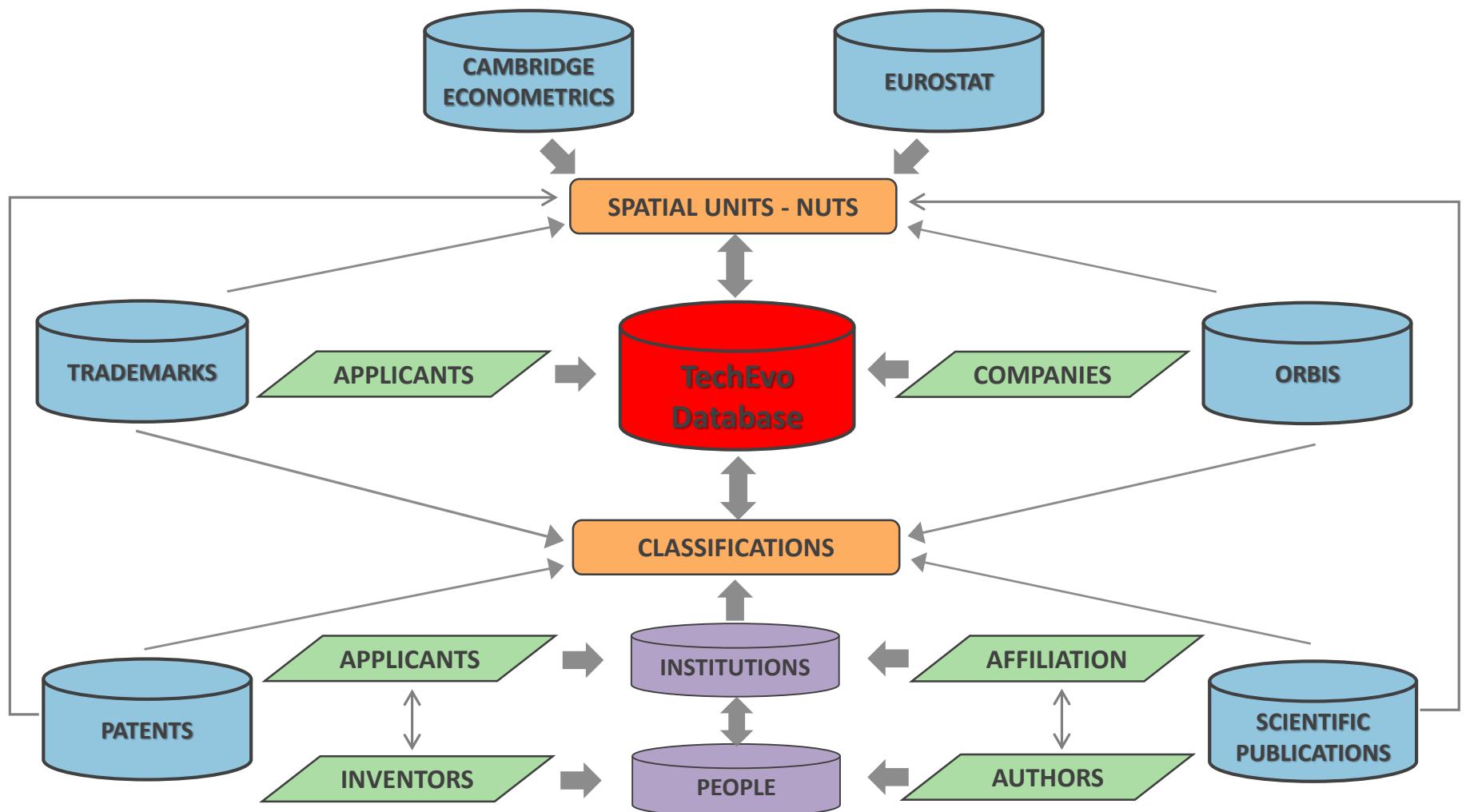
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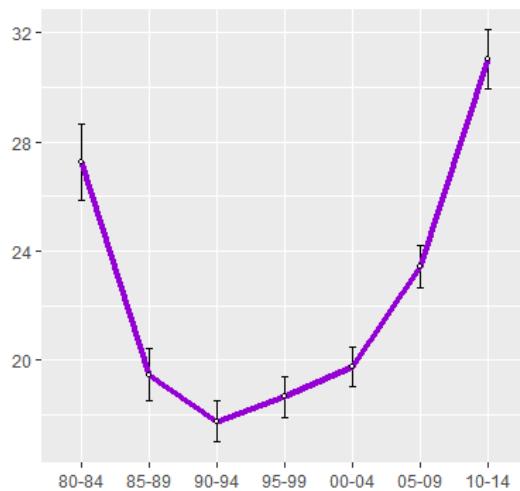


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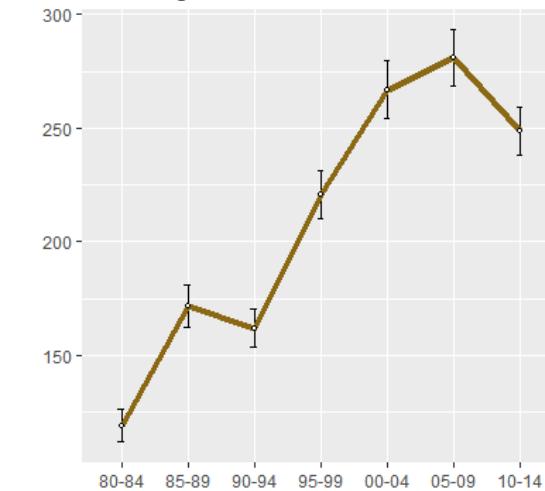
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	Mean	S.D.	Min	Max	Mean	S.D.	Min	Max
New Recomb. by Local share of PAT	0.119	0.086	0.000	0.803	0.139	0.129	0.000	1.935
Std. Entropy	0.382	0.257	-0.744	0.887	0.155	0.253	-0.869	0.728
Std. Average Relatedness	0.409	0.420	-0.630	1.331	0.029	0.344	-0.776	2.475
Std. Network Density	-0.141	0.259	-0.583	1.730	-0.028	0.295	-0.958	1.265
GDP per capita (1B euro in 2005)	0.024	0.009	0.003	0.079	0.022	0.007	0.004	0.065
Employment rate (Employ / POP)	0.448	0.067	0.248	0.692	0.435	0.089	0.133	0.993
Patenting per capita (Local share of PAT / POP)	0.652	0.961	0.006	12.417	0.495	0.551	0.012	6.333

# *Trend of variables*

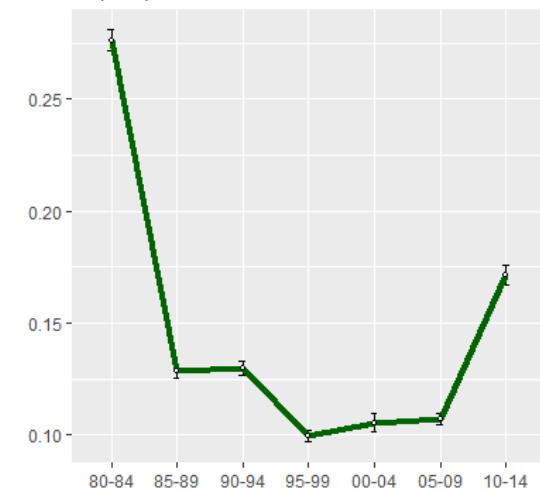
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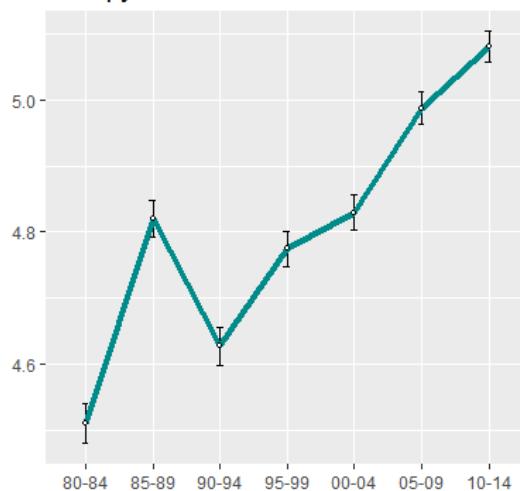
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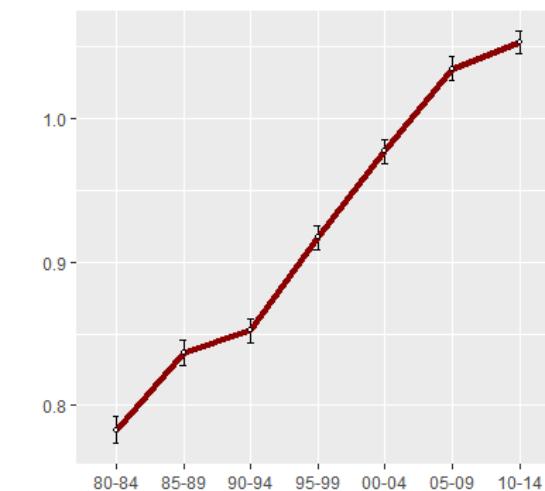
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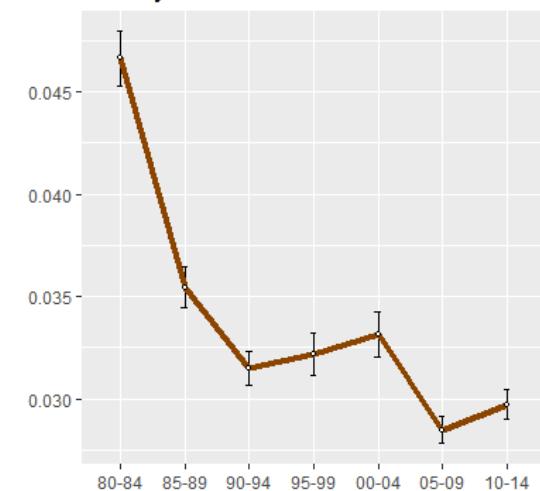
D Entropy



E Relatendess



F Density



# RESULTS (Metro-city regions)

Var.	Model 1		Model 2		Model 3	
	Coef.	S.E.	Coef.	S.E.	Coef.	S.E.
Entropy	0.136 ***	0.009				
Relatedness	0.006	0.005				
ETP×REL	0.024 *	0.011				
Entropy			0.188 ***	0.010		
Density			0.040 ***	0.007		
ETP×DST			0.041 ***	0.011		
Relatedness					0.035 ***	0.005
Density					-0.021 ***	0.006
REL×DST					0.018 *	0.009
GDPpct	1.061 **	0.336	0.897 **	0.334	0.367	0.344
EmpRate	-0.066 *	0.032	-0.041	0.032	-0.014	0.033
PATpct	0.007 **	0.002	0.003	0.002	0.000	0.002
Constant	0.142 ***	0.021	0.141 ***	0.021	0.236 ***	0.020
Period FE	Y		Y		Y	
REG FE	Y		Y		Y	
Country RE	Y		Y		Y	
no. Regions-year	6,139		6,139		6,139	
no. Regions	237		237		237	
no. Countries	28		28		28	

\*\*\* p<0.001, \*\* p<0.01, \* p<0.05

# RESULTS (Non metro NUTS III regions)

Var.	Model 1		Model 2		Model 3	
	Coef.	S.E.	Coef.	S.E.	Coef.	S.E.
Entropy	0.169 ***	0.009				
Relatedness	0.032 ***	0.007				
ETP×REL	-0.026	0.016				
Entropy			0.228 ***	0.010		
Density			0.047 ***	0.008		
ETP×DST			0.090 ***	0.021		
Relatedness					0.060 ***	0.006
Density					0.008	0.007
REL×DST					0.014	0.016
GDPpct	3.049 ***	0.378	2.701 ***	0.377	1.920 ***	0.385
EmpRate	-0.167 ***	0.032	-0.165 ***	0.032	-0.107 **	0.033
PATpct	-0.007 **	0.003	-0.008 **	0.003	-0.016 ***	0.003
Constant	0.195 ***	0.022	0.180 ***	0.021	0.255 ***	0.022
Period FE	Y		Y		Y	
REG FE	Y		Y		Y	
Country RE	Y		Y		Y	
no. Regions-year	13,544		13,544		13,544	
no. Regions	571		571		571	
no. Countries	23		23		23	

\*\*\* p<0.001, \*\* p<0.01, \* p<0.05

# Regional Average Technological Relatedness

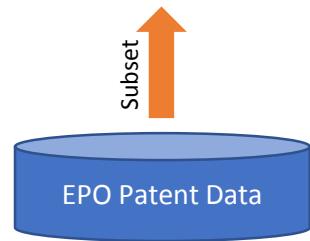
## Average Relatedness of NUTS II regions by periods

(Kogler et al. 2013)

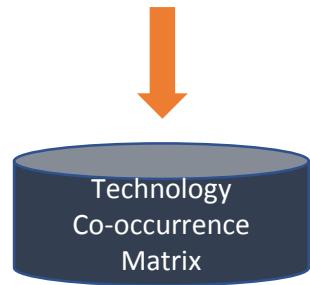


### Regional weight

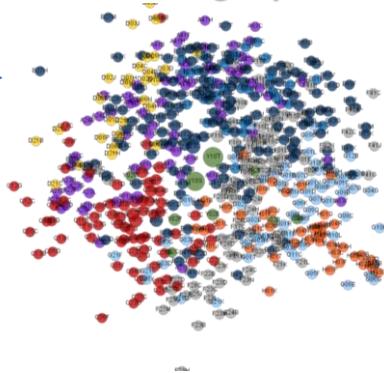
$$X_{ijr}^t = \frac{(P_{ir}^t + P_{jr}^t)(P_{ir}^t + P_{jr}^t - 1)}{\sum_i P_{ir}^t (P_{ir}^t - 1)}$$



- $X_{ijr}^t$ , Share of all possible patent-to patent links within region  $r$  at time  $t$  that link technology classes  $i$  and  $j$
- $P_{ir}^t$ : No. patents in class  $i$  within region  $r$  at time  $t$



### Knowledge Space



### Technology Relatedness

$$S_{ij}^t = \frac{N_{ij}}{\sqrt{N_i N_j}}$$

- $S_{ij}^t$ : Relatedness (Proximity) btw  $i$  and  $j$  (UK level) at  $t$
- $N_{ij}$ : No. patents listing both  $i$  and  $j$
- $N_i$  : No. patents listing  $i$
- $N_j$  : No. patents listing  $j$

### Regional Average Technology Relatedness

$$AR_r^t = \sum_i \sum_j X_{ijr}^t S_{ij}^t$$

# Regional Technology Entropy

(Frenken et al. 2007)

## Method (Measurement)

$$Entropy = \sum_{g=1}^G P_g \log_2 \left( \frac{1}{P_g} \right) + \sum_{g=1}^G P_g H_g$$

Unrelated Variety      Related Variety

, where

$$\begin{cases} p_i \text{ is 3 digit share} \\ P_g \text{ is 1 digit share} \quad P_g = \sum_{i \in S_g} p_i \\ H_g = \sum_{i \in S_g} \frac{p_i}{P_g} \log_2 \left( \frac{1}{p_i/P_g} \right) \end{cases}$$

### Region #1 - Patents by CPC class

1 Digit	3 Digit	No. Patent	$P_g$	$p_i$
Chemistry and Metallurgy	C07 ORGANIC CHEMISTRY	6	14/55	6/55
	C12 BIOCHEMISTRY	8		8/55
Physics	G02 OPTICS	7	9/55	7/55
	G04 HOROLOGY	2		2/55
Consumer goods	A43 FOOTWEAR	5	15/55	5/55
	A45 EQUIPMENT	4		4/55
	A47 FURNITURE	6		6/55
Mechanical Engineering	F01 ENGINES IN GENERAL	3	13/55	3/55
	F21 LIGHTING	4		4/55
	F41 WEAPONS	6		6/55
Textiles, Paper	D04 KNITTING	1	1/55	1/55
Transport	B23 MACHINE TOOLS	3	3/55	3/55
Total		55	1	1

$$\text{Region } \#1 \text{ Entropy (3.43)} = \text{UV (2.27)} + \text{RV (1.16)}$$

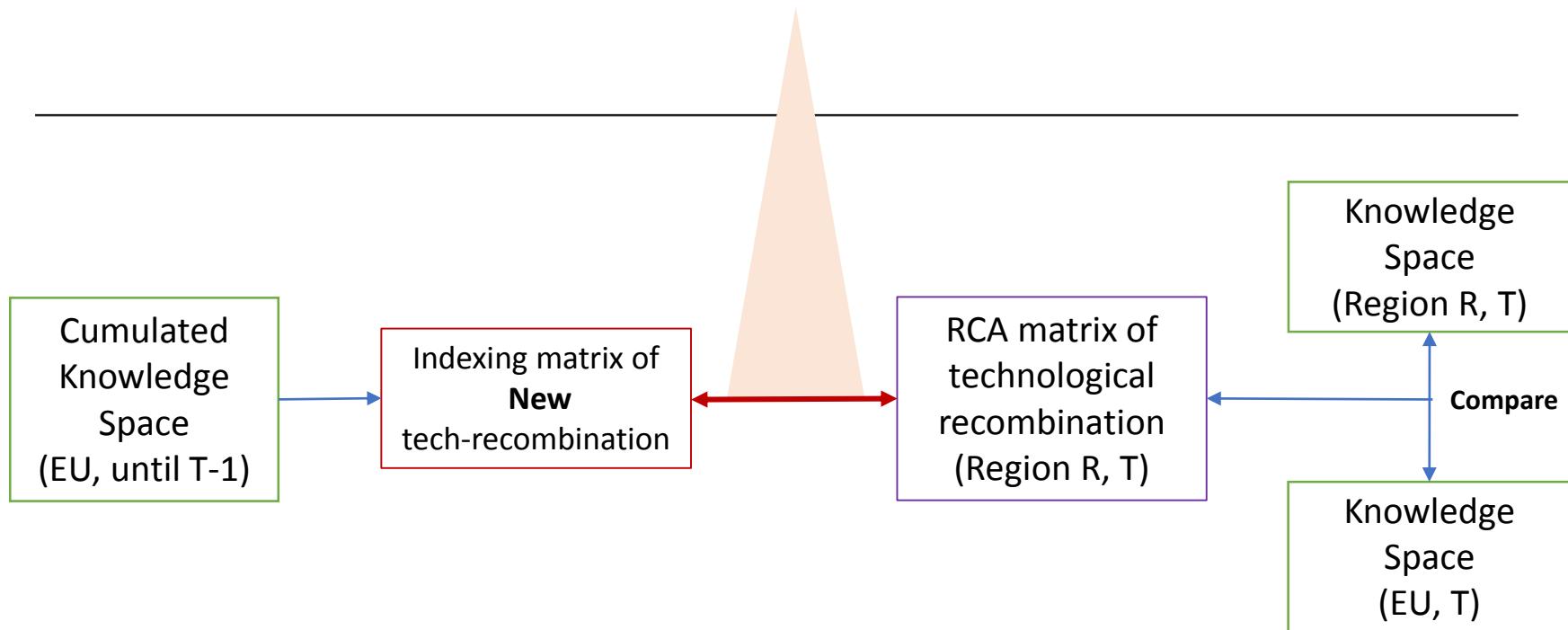
### Region #2 – Patents by CPC class

1 Digit	3 Digit	No. Patent	$P_g$	$p_i$
Electrocity	H01 BASIC ELECTRIC ELEMENTS	4		4/55
	H02 CONVERSION POWER	9		9/55
	H03 ELECTRONIC CIRCUITRY	15	33/55	15/55
	H04 COMMUNICATION	3		3/55
	H05 ELECTRIC TECHNIQUES	2		2/55
Physics	G01 MEASURING / TESTING	3		3/55
	G02 OPTICS	2		2/55
	G03 PHOTOGRAPHY	3		3/55
	G05 CONTROLLING	7	22/55	7/55
	G06 COMPUTING	2		2/55
	G07 CHECKING-DEVICES	2		2/55
	G09 DISPLAY	3		3/55
	Total	55	1	1

$$\text{Region } \#2 \text{ Entropy (3.20)} = \text{UV (0.97)} + \text{RV (2.23)}$$

# A Typology of Regional Tech Recombination Activities

$$\text{New Recombination} = \frac{\text{Sum of each region's RCA in new recombination}}{\text{Regional sum of inventor share of patents}}$$



# Regional RCA in Recombination – An Example

$$RR(RCA \text{ in Recombination})_{ij} = \frac{s_{i,j,R}}{\sum_i \sum_j s_{i,j,R}} / \frac{s_{i,j,EU}}{\sum_i \sum_j s_{i,j,EU}}$$

Cumulated  
Knowledge Space  
(EU, until T-1)

	A	B	C	D	E
A	4	1	0	1	
B		3	1	0	
C			0	0	
D				8	
E					

New recombination  
space

	A	B	C	D	E
A	0	0	1	0	
B		0	0	1	
C			1	1	
D				0	
E					

RCA (Absolute RCA > 1)  
matrix of technological  
recombination  
(region R, T)

	A	B	C	D	E
A	3.3	0.6	0.3	1.1	
B		2.2	0.4	0.9	
C			1	0.7	
D				0.1	
E					

Knowledge Space  
(Region R, T)

	A	B	C	D	E
A					
B					
C					
D					
E					

Compare

	A	B	C	D	E
A					
B					
C					
D					
E					

Knowledge Space  
(EU, T)

Sum of new combinations  
in region's (R) recombinant  
RCA matrix = 2.9

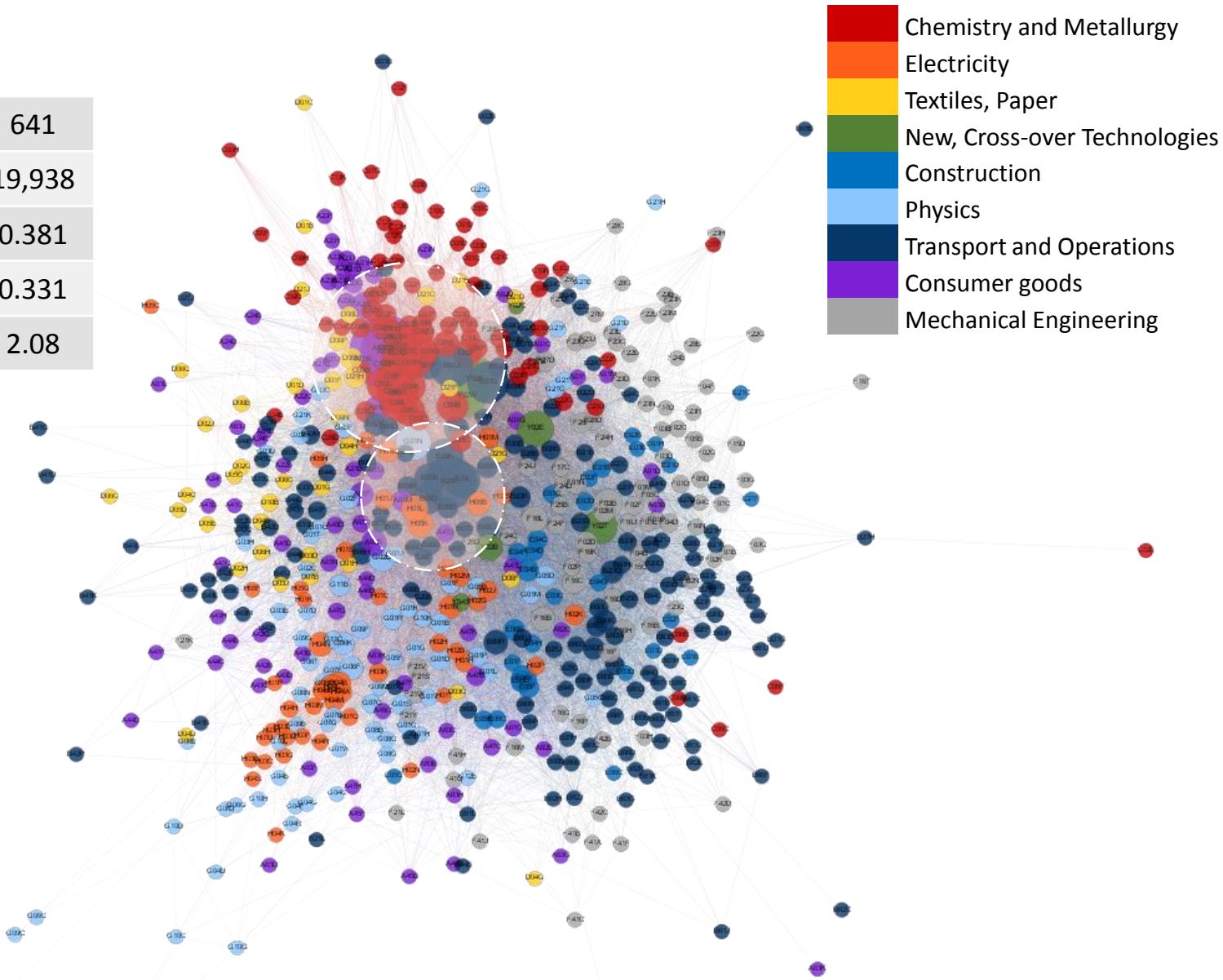
# Top 5. Recombination in EU

Period	Top 5 Recombination A-B				Weight
80-84	Preservation of bio-organisms	A01N	C07D	Heterocyclic compounds	782.8
	Acyclic or carbocyclic compounds	C07C	C07D	Heterocyclic compounds	760.6
	Shaping or joining plastics	B29C	B29L	Basic articles	455.4
	Shaping or joining plastics	B29C	B29K	Moulding materials	453.0
85-89	Preparation for medical purpose	A61K	C07K	Peptides	379.9
	Preparation for medical purpose	A61K	C07K	Peptides	992.8
	Preparation for medical purpose	A61K	A61Q	Specific use of cosmetics or toilet preparations	939.0
	Preservation of bio-organisms	A01N	C07D	Heterocyclic compounds	883.1
	Acyclic or carbocyclic compounds	C07C	C07D	Heterocyclic compounds	749.0
90-94	Shaping or joining plastics	B29C	B29K	Moulding materials	748.7
	Preparation for medical purpose	A61K	A61Q	Specific use of cosmetics or toilet preparations	2,030.0
	Preparation for medical purpose	A61K	C07K	Peptides	1,830.0
	Acyclic or carbocyclic compounds	C07C	C07D	Heterocyclic compounds	1,273.0
	Peptides	C07K	C12N	Microorganisms or enzymes	1,140.0
95-99	Preservation of bio-organisms	A01N	C07D	Heterocyclic compounds	1,015.0
	Preparation for medical purpose	A61K	A61Q	Specific use of cosmetics or toilet preparations	4,093.3
	Preparation for medical purpose	A61K	C07K	Peptides	3,408.6
	Preparation for medical purpose	A61K	C12N	Microorganisms or enzymes	2,028.9
	Peptides	C07K	C12N	Microorganisms or enzymes	1,982.9
00-04	Acyclic or carbocyclic compounds	C07C	C07D	Heterocyclic compounds	1,555.5
	Preparation for medical purpose	A61K	A61Q	Specific use of cosmetics or toilet preparations	5,953.3
	Preparation for medical purpose	A61K	C07K	Peptides	4,491.0
	Transmission of digital information	H04L	H04W	Wireless communications networks	3,414.8
	Preparation for medical purpose	A61K	C12N	Microorganisms or enzymes	2,684.8
05-09	Peptides	C07K	C12N	Microorganisms or enzymes	2,436.6
	Preparation for medical purpose	A61K	A61Q	Specific use of cosmetics or toilet preparations	5,956.8
	Transmission of digital information	H04L	H04W	Wireless communications networks	4,673.6
	Preparation for medical purpose	A61K	C07K	Peptides	3,976.9
	Shaping or joining plastics	B29C	B29L	Basic articles	3,282.9
10-14	Shaping or joining plastics	B29C	B29K	Moulding materials	3,040.6
	Transmission of digital information	H04L	H04W	Wireless communications networks	5,144.0
	Preparation for medical purpose	A61K	A61Q	Specific use of cosmetics or toilet preparations	4,716.7
	Shaping or joining plastics	B29C	B29L	Basic articles	3,524.6
	Preparation for medical purpose	A61K	C07K	Peptides	3,436.0
	Shaping or joining plastics	B29C	B29K	Moulding materials	2,948.8

# EU Knowledge Space Evolution and Recombination Hotspots

(1990-1994)

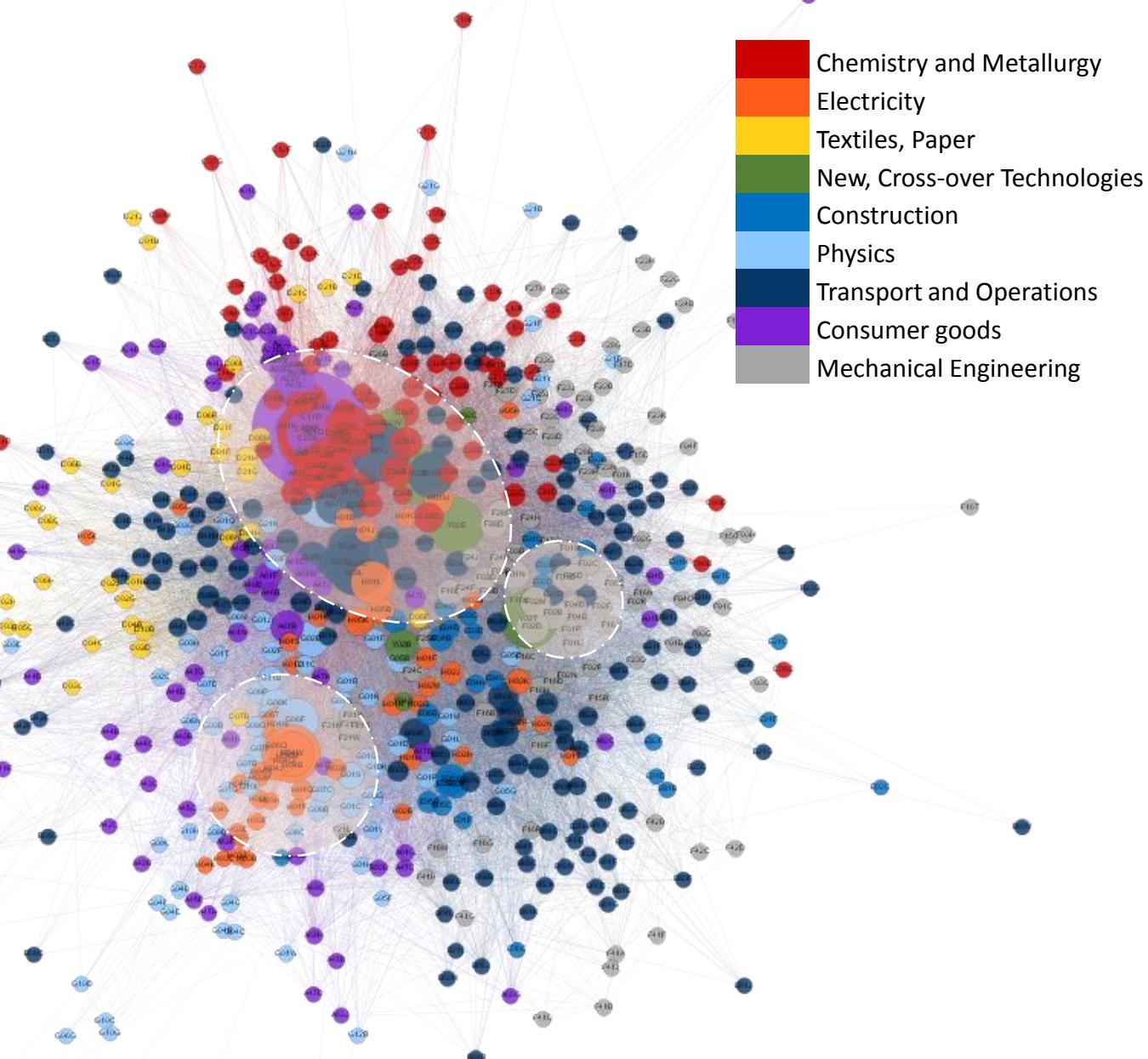
Node	641
Edge	19,938
Network Density	0.381
Ave. CC	0.331
Ave. Path length	2.08



# EU Knowledge Space Evolution and Recombination Hotspots

(2000-2004)

Node	645
Edge	25,863
Network Density	0.882
Ave. CC	0.371
Ave. Path length	1.99



# EU Knowledge Space – Network Measures

period	no.node	no.edge	density	diameter	avg.path	avg.cc
80-84	633	13,947	0.166	9.00	2.21	0.282
85-89	639	17,454	0.260	6.58	2.12	0.309
90-94	641	19,938	0.381	9.00	2.08	0.331
95-99	645	22,673	0.586	7.50	2.04	0.346
00-04	645	25,863	0.882	5.33	1.99	0.371
05-09	649	30,450	1.247	6.25	1.94	0.399
10-14	645	35,967	1.512	5.41	1.89	0.44

