

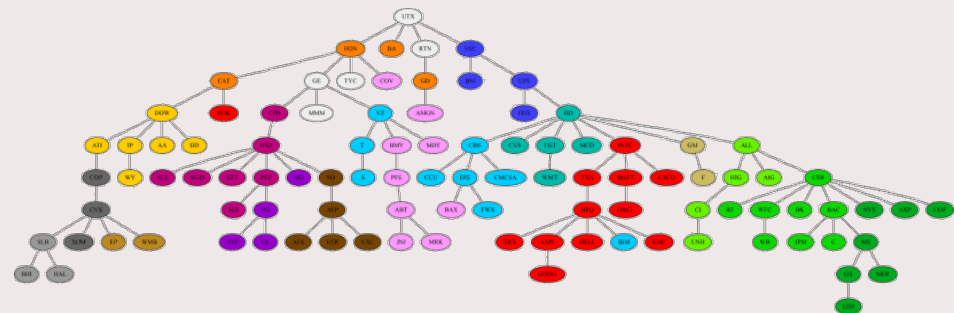


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# Networks

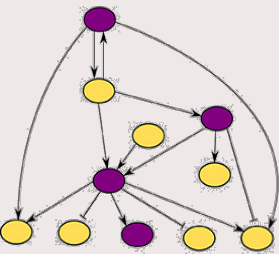


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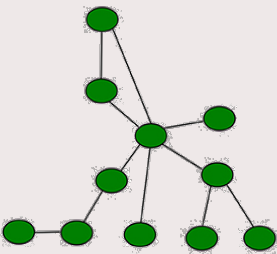


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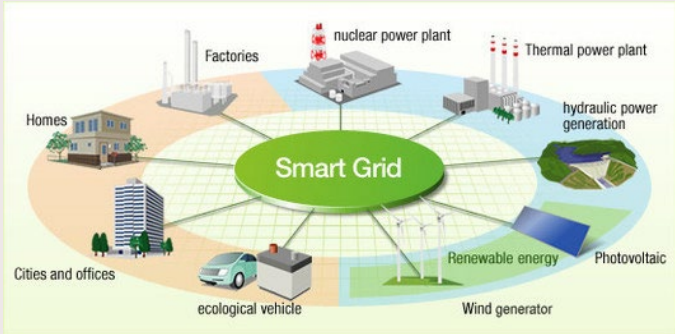
A Gene regulatory network



B Protein-protein interaction network



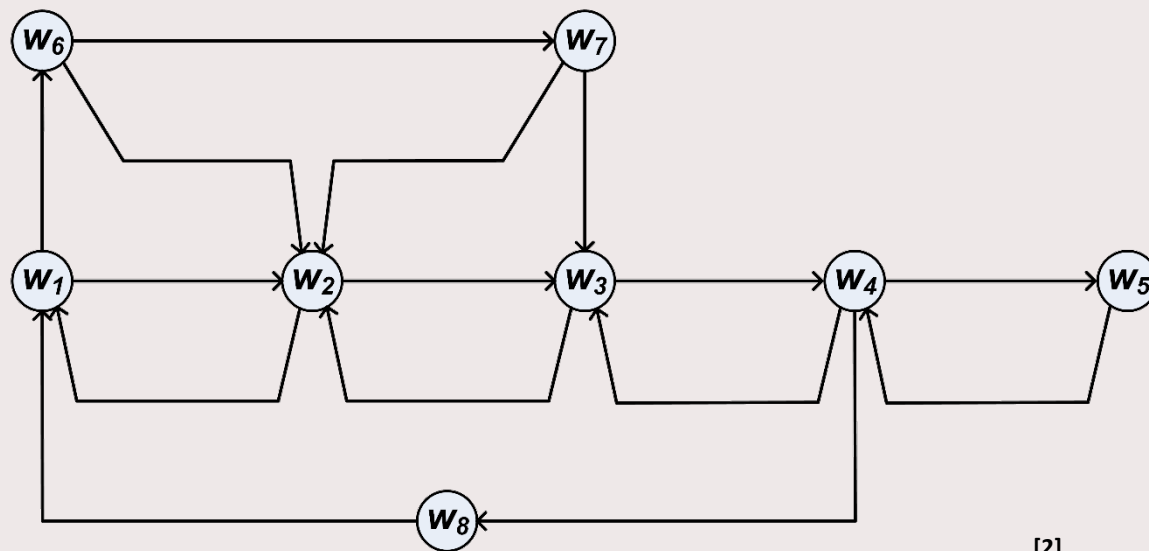
Vandereyken et al., Frontiers in plant science, 2018



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# Dynamic network framework <sup>[1]</sup> - Data-driven modeling of networks

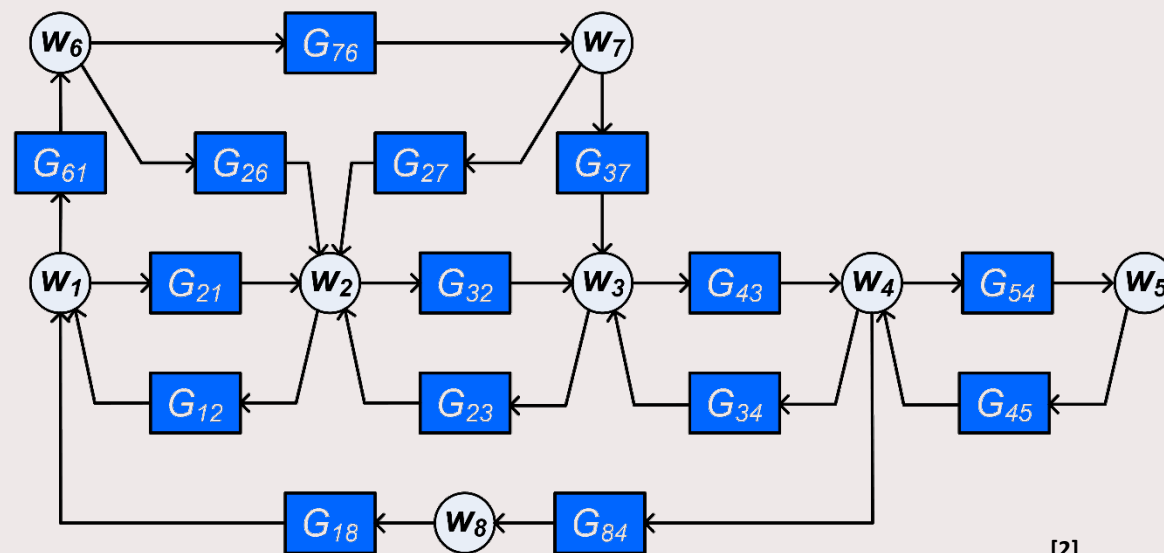
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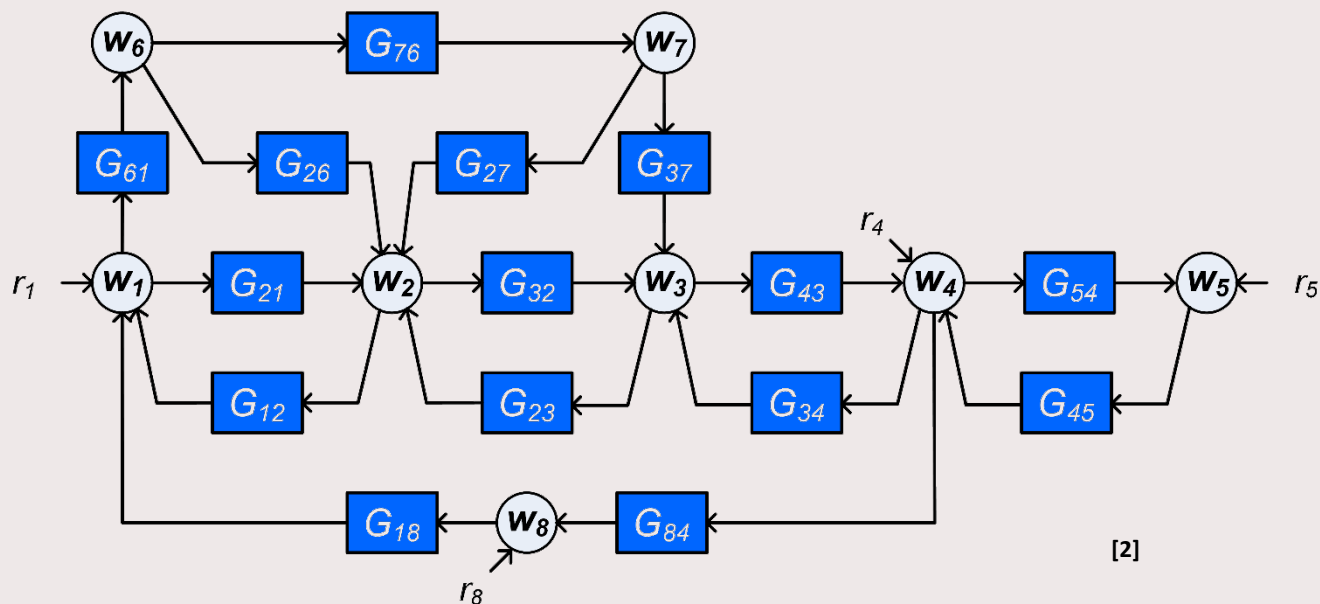


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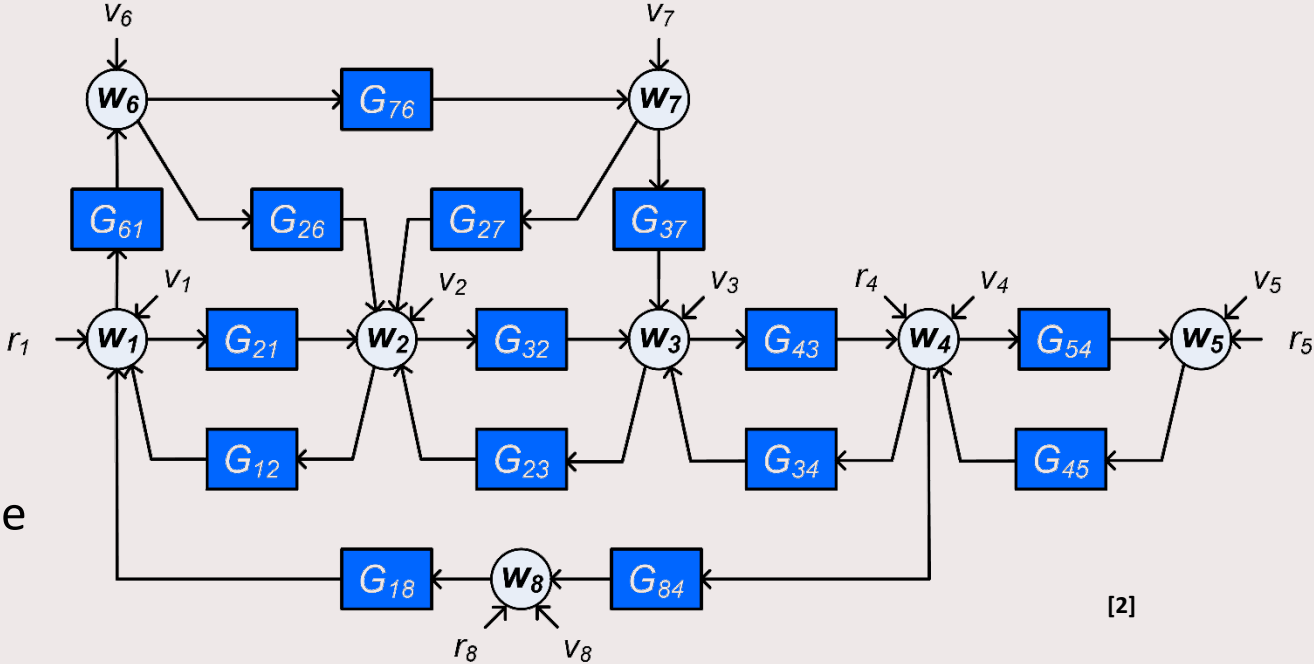
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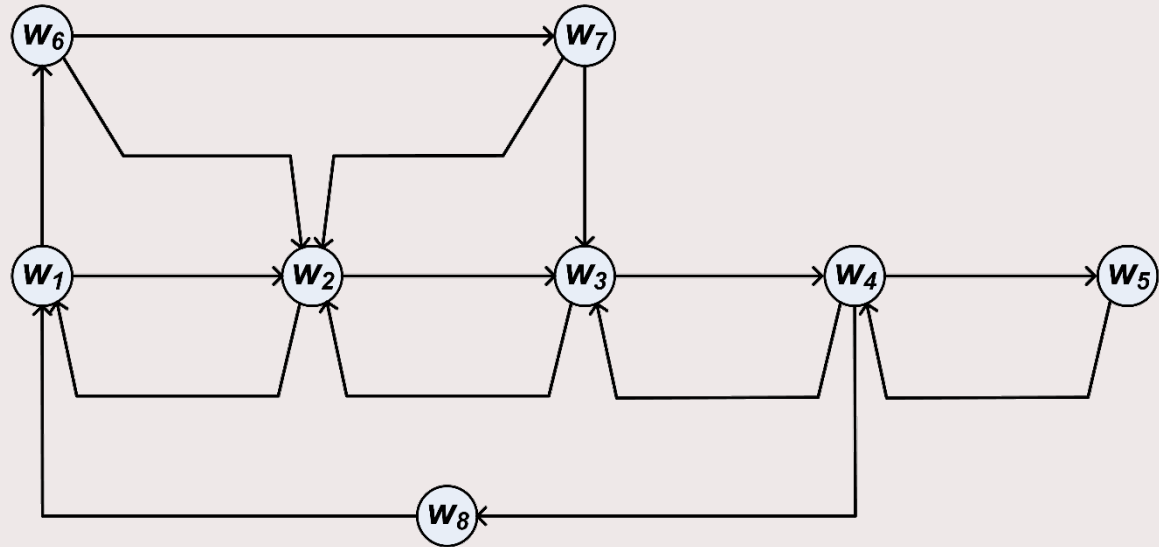
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- $G_{ij}^0$  : Modules
- $r(t)$  : Excitation
- $v(t)$  : Disturbance



[2]

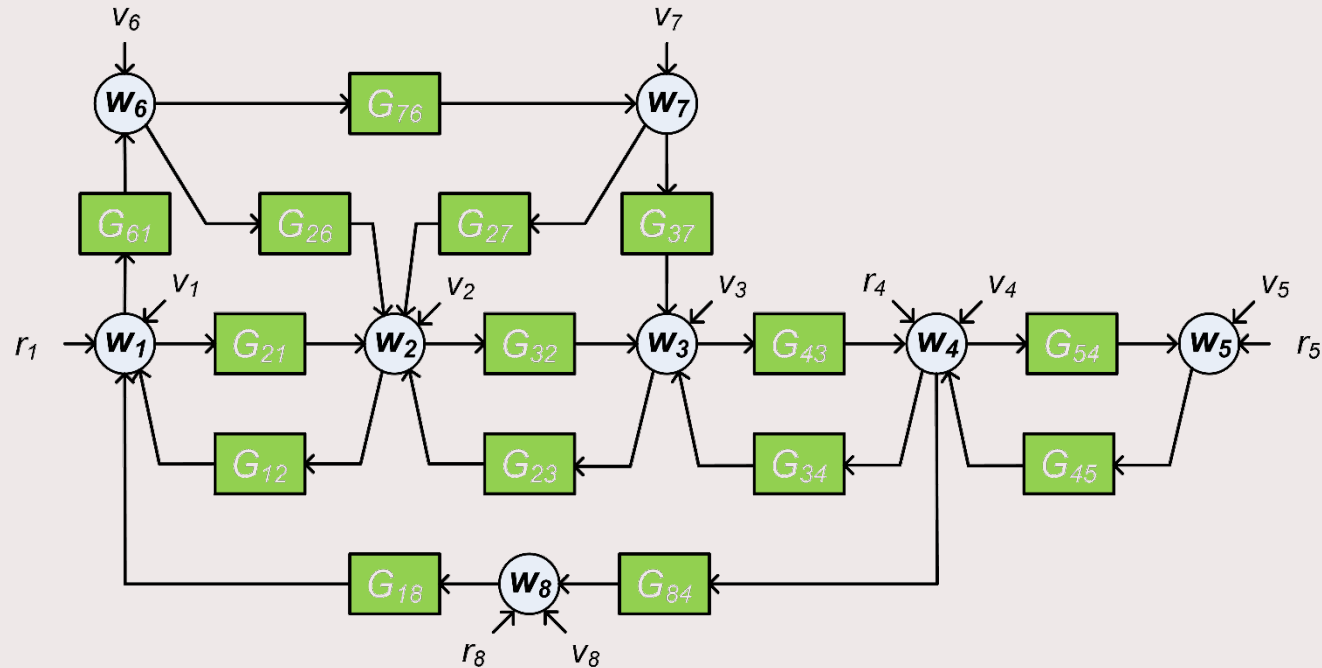
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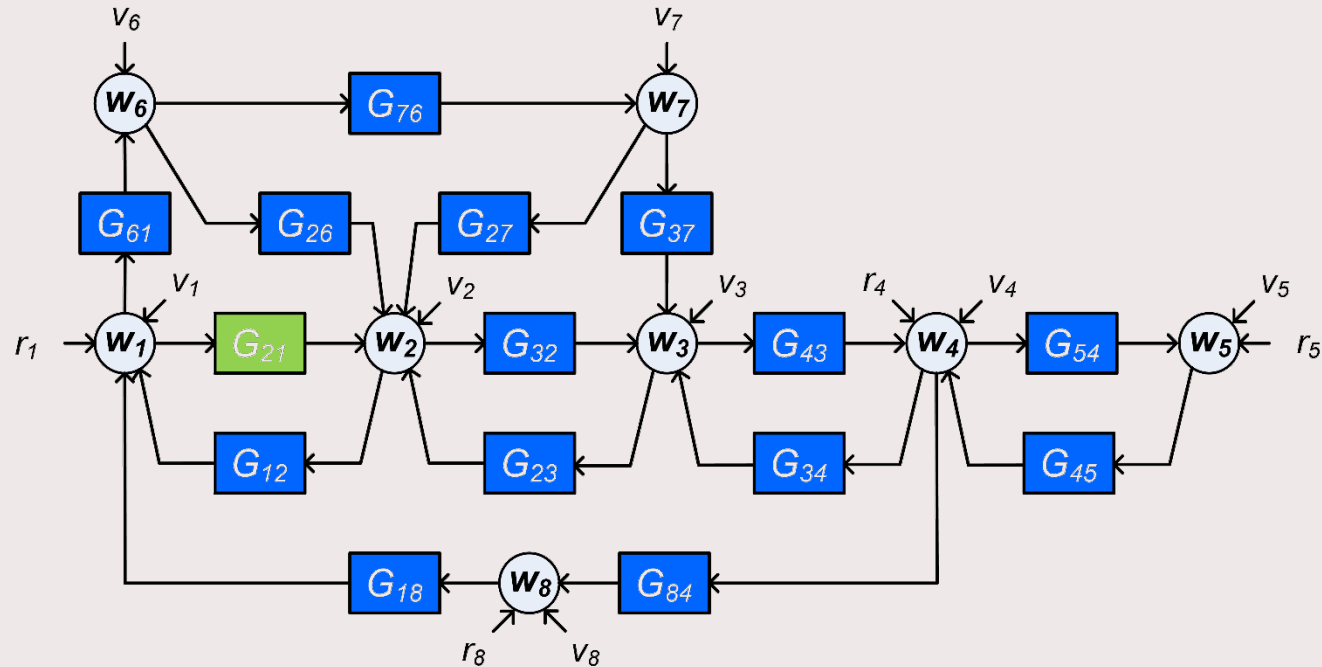
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# Challenges in Dynamic networks

- Topology [1]
- Identification [2]
  - Full network
  - **Local**

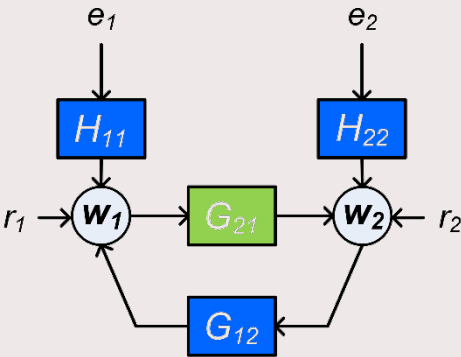


# Local identification

Single module identifiability <sup>[1]</sup>

- Method independent
- Identifiability: 0 *r*-signal

Method	Transfer		# <i>r</i> -signals needed
Local Direct <sup>[2]</sup>	$w \rightarrow w$	Consistency & ML	0
Indirect <sup>[3]</sup>	$r \rightarrow w$	Consistency	1



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[1] Shi, et al. (2021, 2022, 2023)

[2] Ramaswamy, et al. (2021)

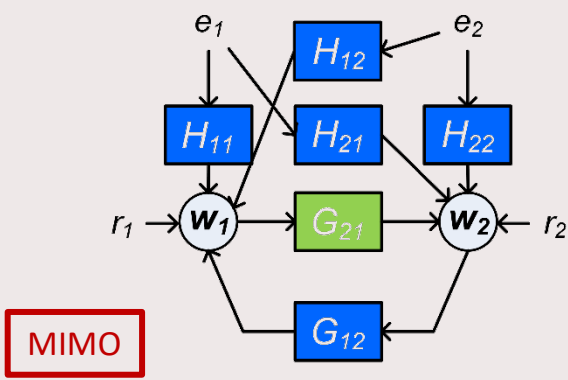
[3] Gevers, et al. (2018), Hendrickx, et al. (2019), Bazanella, et al. (2019)

# Local identification

## Single module identifiability

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- Identifiability: 1  $r$ -signal

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Indirect	$r \rightarrow w$	Consistency	1



# Research question

How can we obtain relaxed conservatism compared to current direct methods?

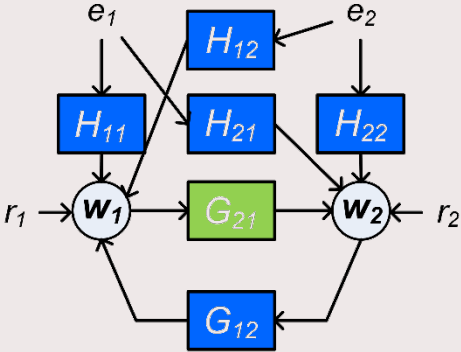
- Requires less r-signals
- Keep advantages of the current direct methods

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Multi-step Least squares <sup>[1]</sup>			1



Full network identification

# Multi-step least squares method <sup>[1,2]</sup>

**Full network identification**       $w = Gw + He + r$

1. Estimate  $r \rightarrow w$  with high-order ARX and reconstruct  $\hat{e}$
2. Use  $\hat{e}$  as additional measured input <sup>[2]</sup>

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Full network identification  $w = Gw + He + r$

1. Estimate  $r \rightarrow w$  with high-order ARX and reconstruct  $\hat{e}$  ← Indirect method
2. Use  $\hat{e}$  as additional measured input<sup>[2]</sup>

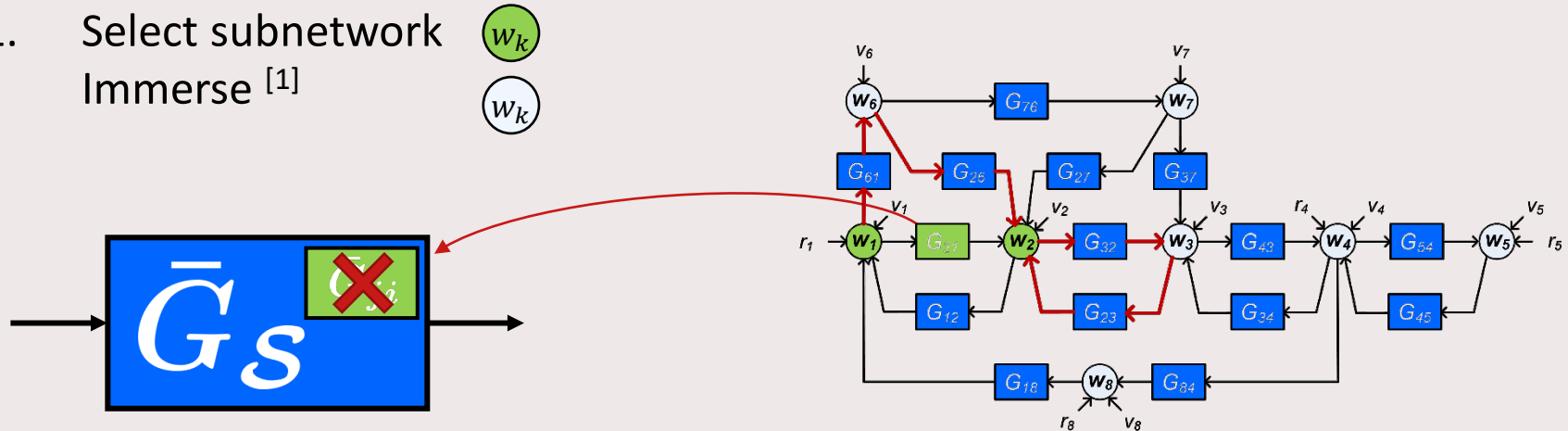
$$w_j = \sum_k \underline{G_{jk} w_k} + \sum_\ell \underline{(H_{j\ell} - I_{jj}) \hat{e}_\ell} + e_j + r_j \quad \leftarrow \text{Direct method}$$

Estimate  $\mathcal{L}$  MISO models  $j = 1, \dots, \mathcal{L}$

# Multi-step least squares method

Full network identification → local identification

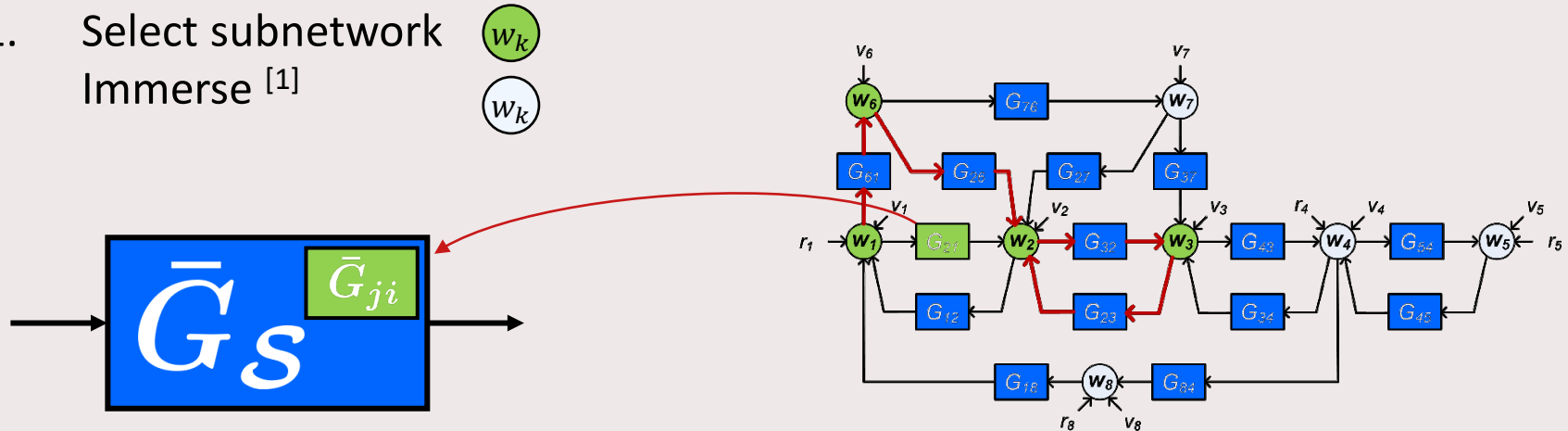
- Select subnetwork  
Immerse <sup>[1]</sup>



# Multi-step least squares method

Full network identification → local identification

1. Select subnetwork  
Immerse <sup>[1]</sup>



# Local identification

Full network

$$w = G^0 w + H e + r$$

→

Immersed network

$$w_S = \bar{G}_S w_S + \bar{H}_S \xi_S + u_S$$

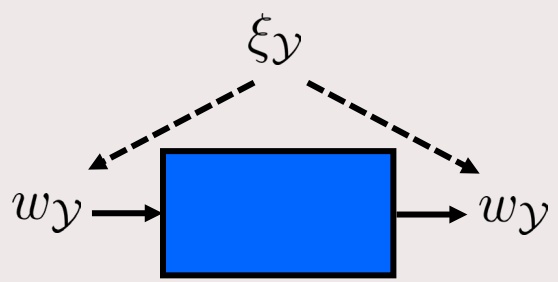




# Local identification [1,2]

- Decompose  $w_S$  [1]
 
$$\begin{matrix} j \in \mathcal{Y} \end{matrix} \quad \begin{bmatrix} w_y \\ \hline w_u \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \bar{G} \\ \hline \bar{G}_u \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} w_y \\ \hline w_u \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} \bar{H} & 0 \\ 0 & \bar{H}_u \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \xi_y \\ \hline \xi_u \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} u_y \\ \hline u_u \end{bmatrix} \quad [2]$$
- Confounding variable  $\rightarrow$  Correlated noise

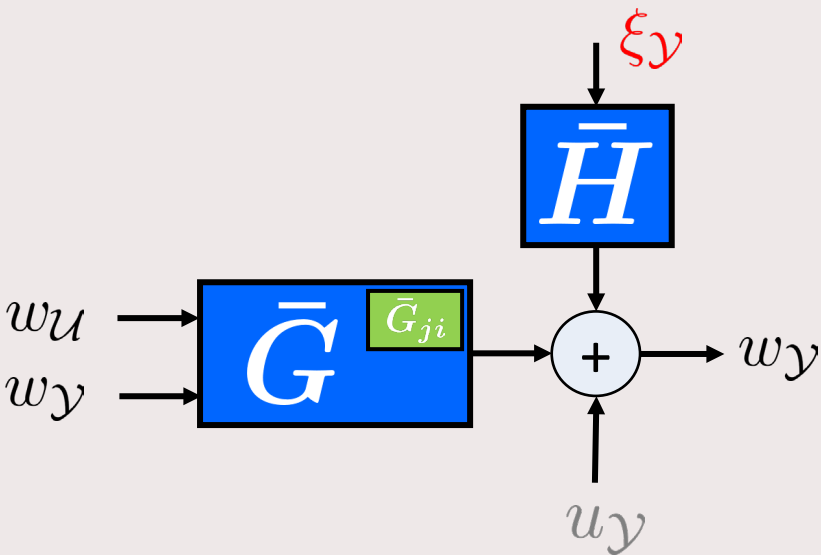
$$w_y = \bar{G} \begin{bmatrix} w_y \\ \hline w_u \end{bmatrix} + \bar{H} \xi_y + u_y$$



# Local identification

- No confounding variable for  $w_{\mathcal{U}} \rightarrow w_{\mathcal{Y}}$

$$w_{\mathcal{Y}} = \bar{G} \begin{bmatrix} w_{\mathcal{Y}} \\ w_{\mathcal{U}} \end{bmatrix} + \bar{H} \xi_{\mathcal{Y}} + \textcircled{u_{\mathcal{Y}}}$$



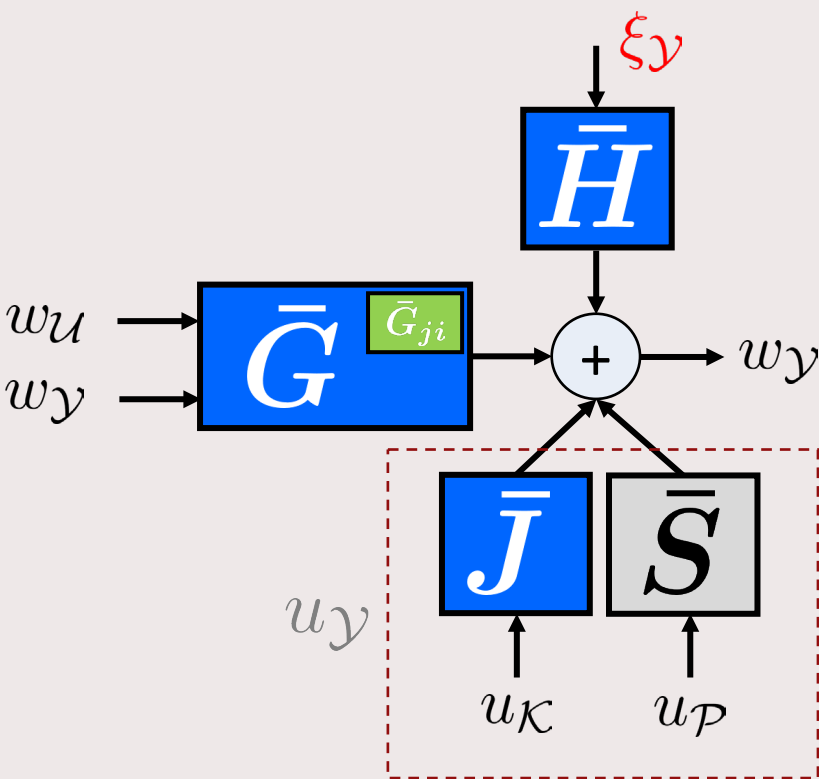
# Local identification

Immersed network:  $u_{\mathcal{Y}}^{[1]}$

$$u_{\mathcal{Y}} = \bar{J}(q)u_{\mathcal{K}} + \bar{S}u_{\mathcal{P}}$$

Dynamic  
due to  
immersion

Known



# Multi-step least squares method [1,2]

Local identification

$$w_{\mathcal{Y}} = \bar{G}(q) \begin{bmatrix} w_{\mathcal{Y}} \\ w_{\mathcal{U}} \end{bmatrix} + \bar{H}(q)\xi_{\mathcal{Y}} + \bar{J}(q)u_{\mathcal{K}} + \bar{S}u_{\mathcal{P}}$$

1. Estimate  $u_{\mathcal{K} \cup \mathcal{P}} \rightarrow w$  with high-order ARX and reconstruct  $\hat{\xi}_{\mathcal{Y}}$
2. Use  $\hat{\xi}_{\mathcal{Y}}$  as additional measured input [2]

Indirect method

$$w_j = \sum_{k \in \mathcal{N}_j^-} \bar{G}_{jk} w_k + \sum_{\ell \in \mathcal{Y}} (\bar{H}_{j\ell} - I_{jj}) \hat{\xi}_{\ell} + \xi_j + \sum_{m \in \mathcal{K}_j} \bar{J}_{jm} u_m + u_{\mathcal{P}_j}$$

Estimate the  $j$ -th MISO model  $j \in \mathcal{Y}$

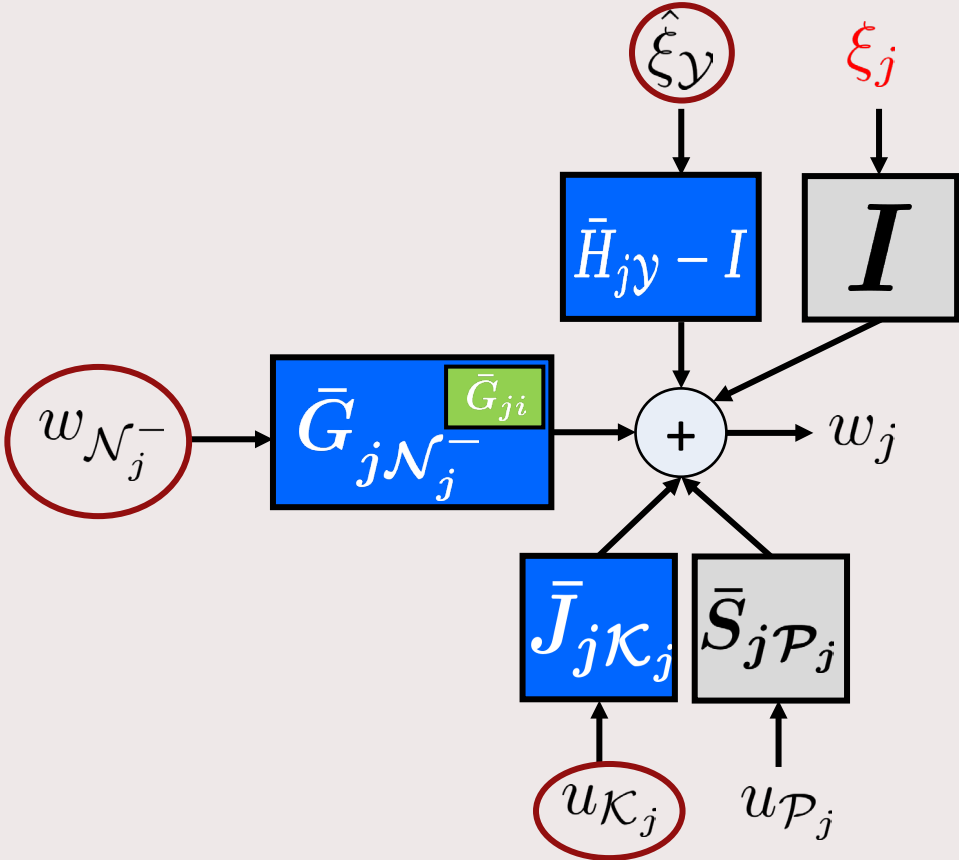
Direct method

# Local identification

Data informativity <sup>[1]</sup>

$$\Phi_{\kappa} \succ 0$$

$$\kappa = \begin{bmatrix} w_{\mathcal{N}_j^-} \\ \xi_{\mathcal{Y}} \\ u_{\mathcal{K}_j} \end{bmatrix}$$



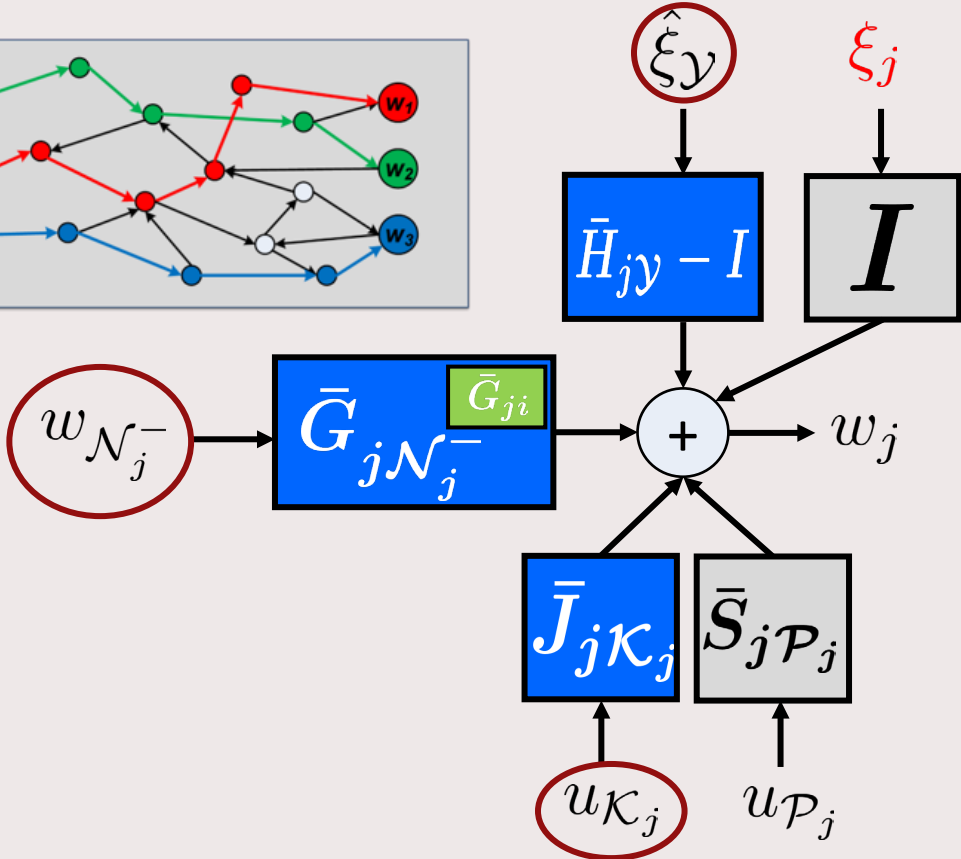
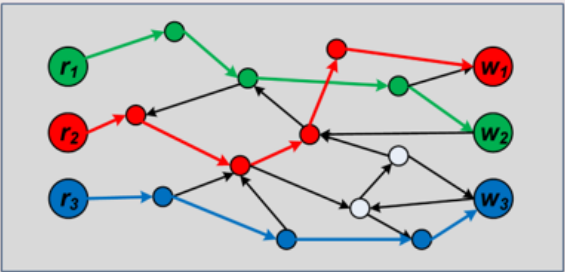
# Local identification

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$\kappa$  is persistently exciting  
holds generically if there  
are  $dim(\kappa)$  vertex  
disjoint paths from

$$\begin{bmatrix} \xi_{\mathcal{S}} \\ u_{\mathcal{L}} \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} w_{\mathcal{N}_j^-} \\ \xi_{\mathcal{Y}} \\ u_{\mathcal{K}_j} \end{bmatrix}$$





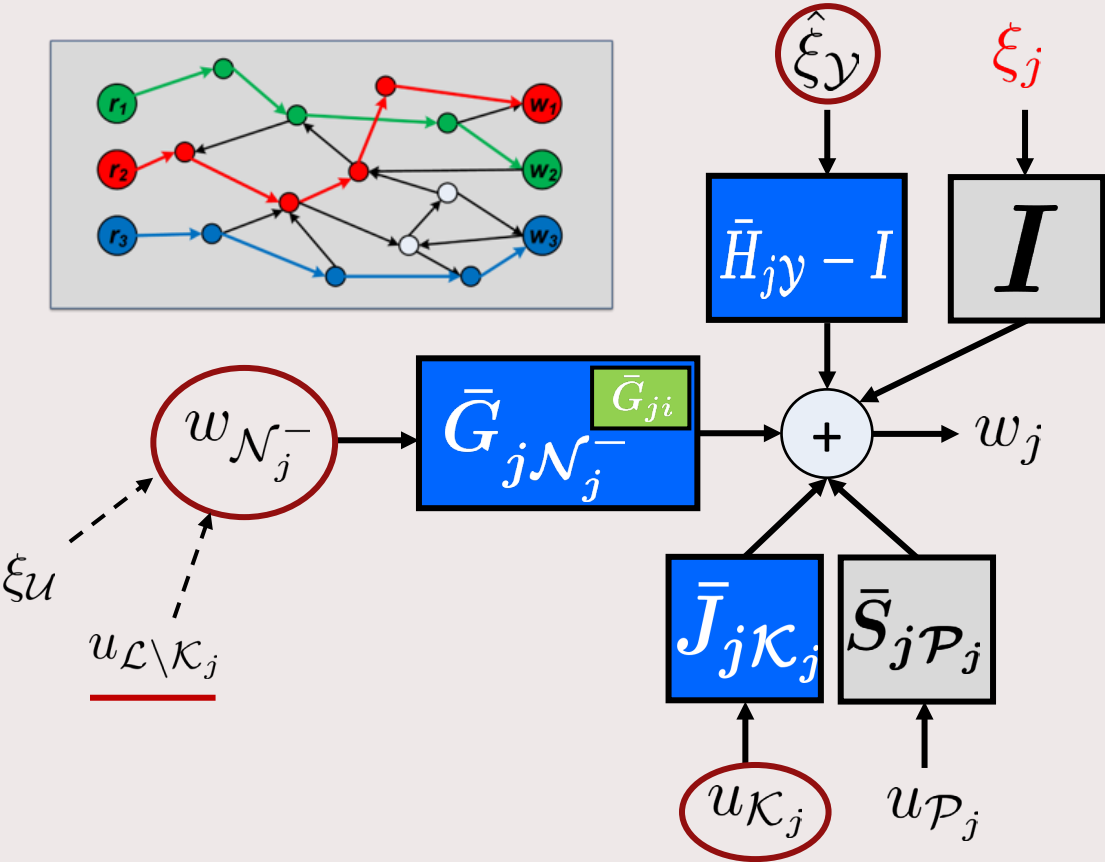
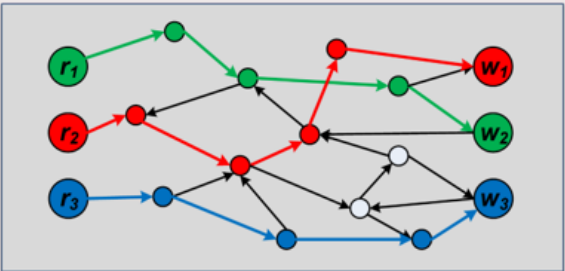
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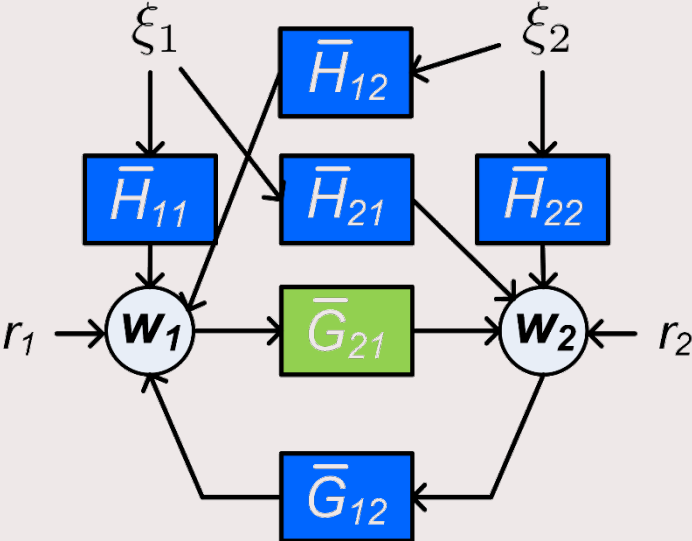
$\Phi_{\kappa} \succ 0$

$w_{\mathcal{N}_j^-}$  is persistently exciting holds generically if there are  $dim(w_{\mathcal{N}_j^-})$  vertex disjoint paths from

$$\begin{bmatrix} \xi_{\mathcal{U}} \\ u_{\mathcal{L} \setminus \mathcal{K}_j} \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow w_{\mathcal{N}_j^-}$$



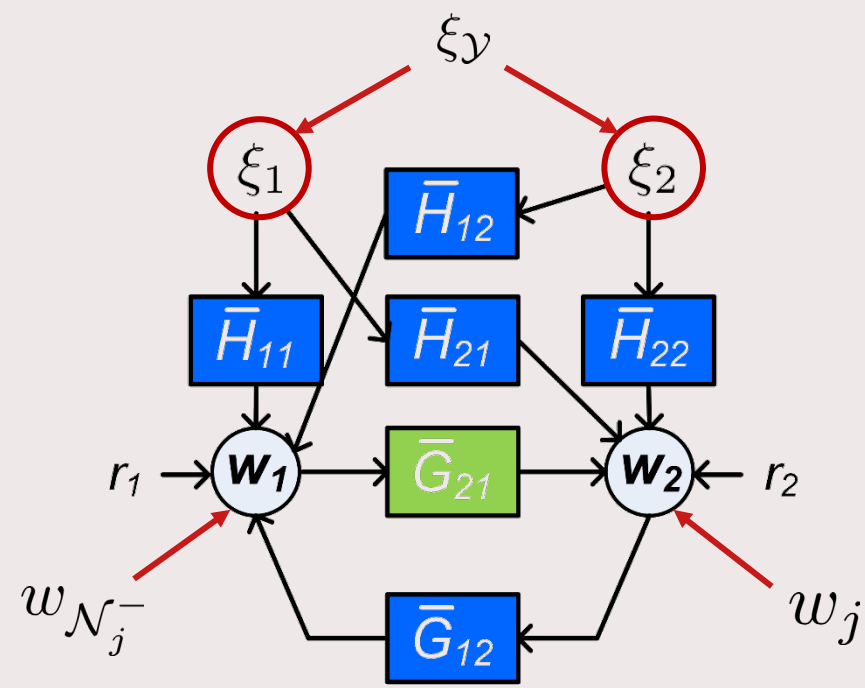
# Local identification



$$\Phi_{\kappa} \succ 0$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \xi_{\mathcal{U}} \\ u_{\mathcal{L} \setminus \mathcal{K}_j} \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow w_{\mathcal{N}_j^-}$$

# Local identification



$$\xi_{\mathcal{U}} = \emptyset$$

$$u_{\mathcal{L} \setminus \mathcal{K}_j} = r_1, r_2 \quad \notin \mathcal{K}_j = \emptyset$$

$$\Phi_{\kappa} \succ 0$$

$$\left[ \begin{array}{c} \xi_{\mathcal{U}} \\ u_{\mathcal{L} \setminus \mathcal{K}_j} \end{array} \right] \rightarrow w_{\mathcal{N}_j^-} \quad \left[ \begin{array}{c} \emptyset \\ r_1, r_2 \end{array} \right] \rightarrow w_1$$

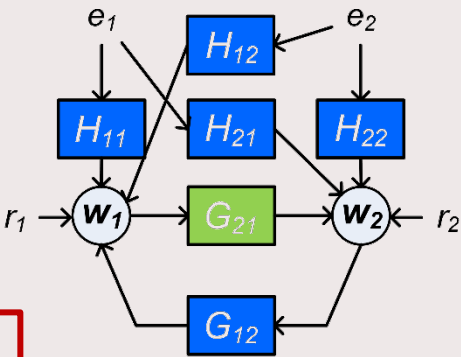
$w_1$  is persistently exciting holds generically if there is 1 vertex disjoint paths from  $r_1$  or  $r_2 \rightarrow w_1$

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Multi-step Least squares	1. Indirect 2. Direct	Consistency & ML?	1



MIMO

MISO

# Conclusion

Combining indirect and direct methods:

- Requires less r-signals than current direct method
- Keeps advantages of the current direct methods

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- Parametrize with Weighted Null Space Fitting → Convex

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