

Morphisms: Exact and Approximate

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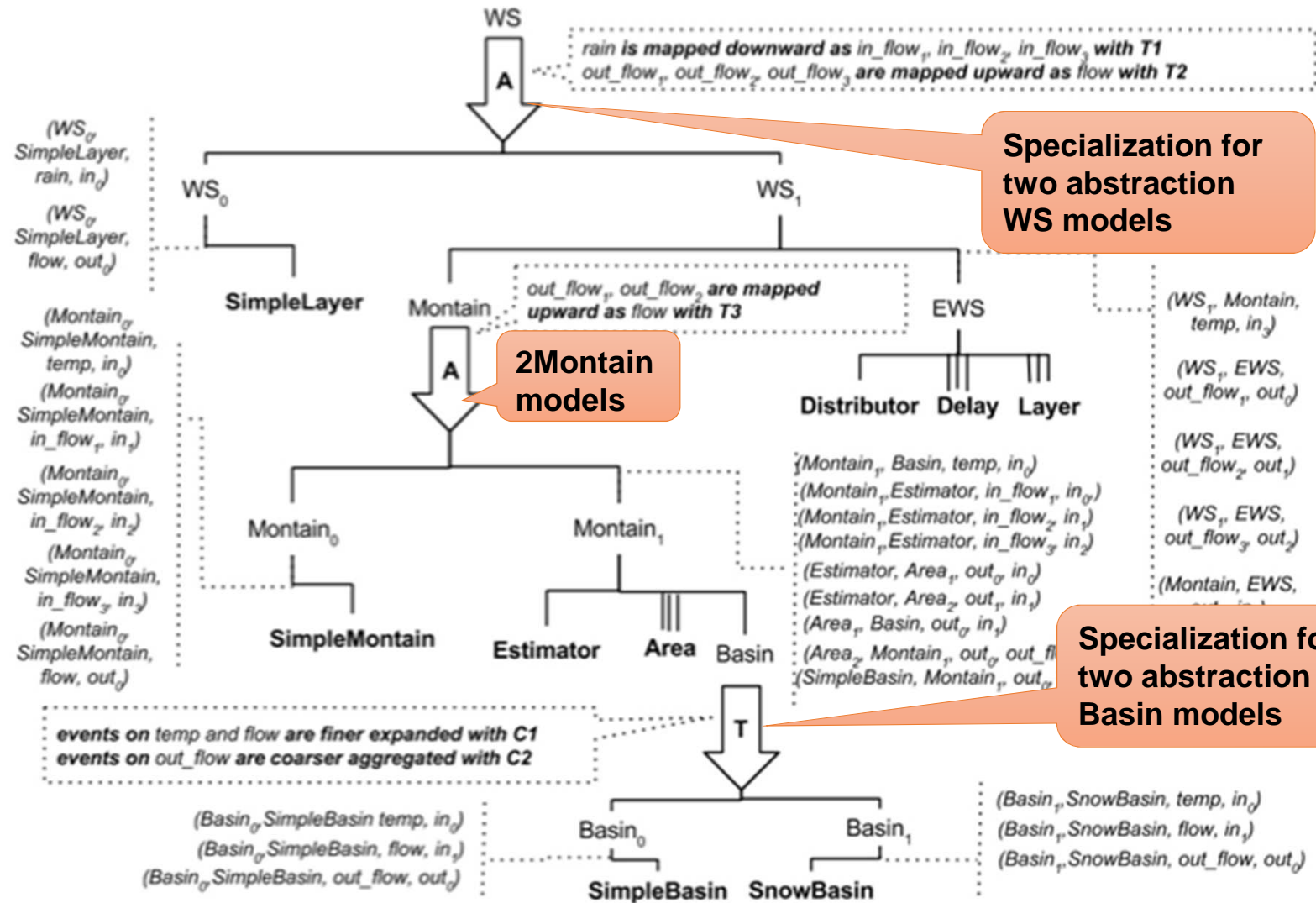
Outline

- **The need to consider multi-level model approximation families**
- **Some background theory – dynamic systems and morphisms provide a mathematical basis**
- **Some sufficient conditions that enable exact approximation**
- **Approximate Morphisms to handle departures from enabling conditions**
- **Error propagation and example of sensitivity analysis**
- **Construction of multi-level model approximation families**

The need to consider multi-level model approximation families

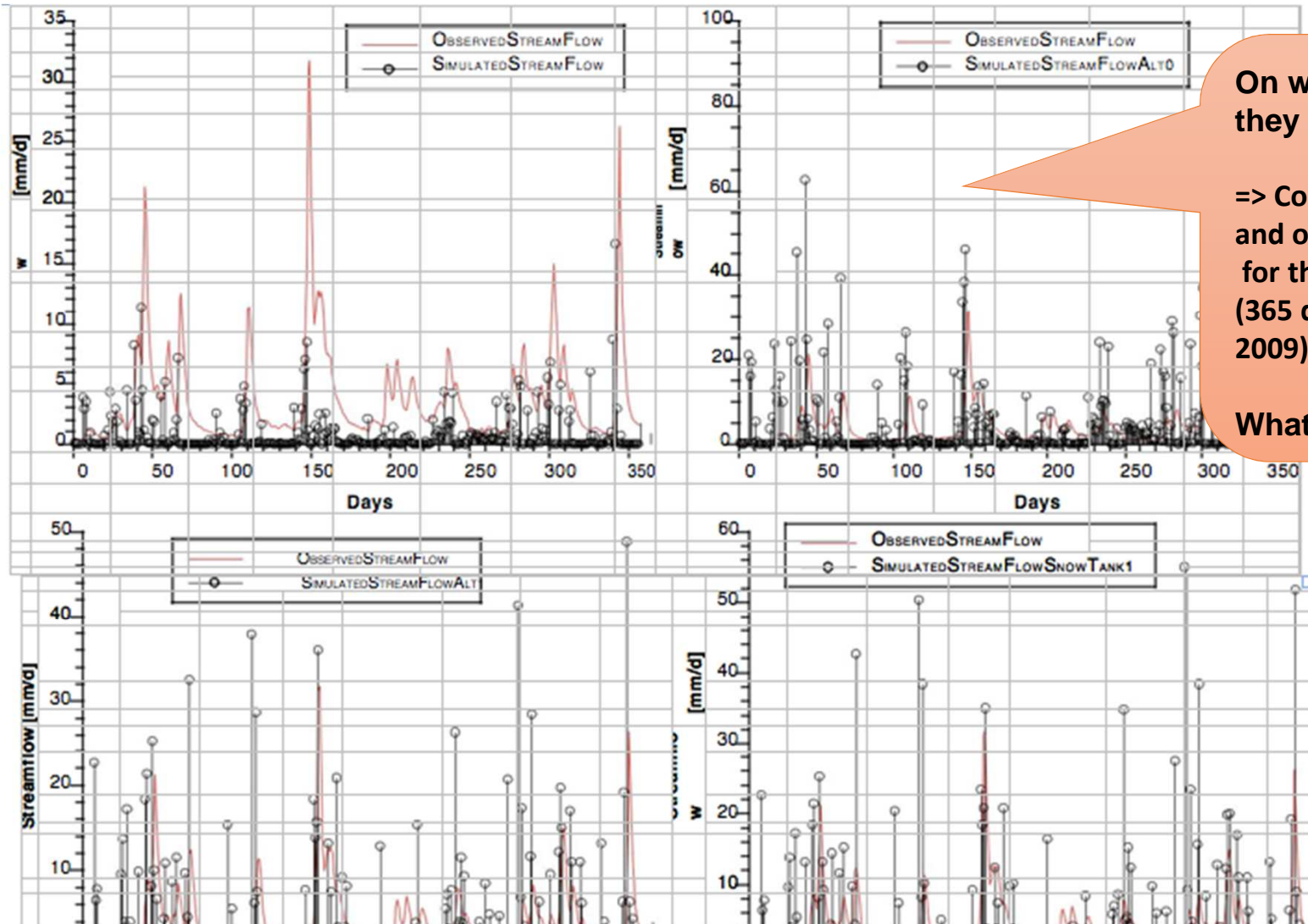
- Systems of Systems (SoS) may be modeled at different levels of spatial extent and resolution (municipal, county, state...)
- Models may be constructed at coarse abstraction levels that support faster simulation - e.g., model checking – but not Pacman
- Models may be constructed at high fidelity that are purported to be closer to reality, but how well do we know the details
- How can we ensure that errors introduced in the aggregation/disaggregation processes lie within acceptable limits?
- Interoperation of models at different levels of resolution presupposes effective ways to develop and correlate the underlying abstractions
- An useful methodology for integrated family of approximation models would allow
 - flexibility in calibration and cross-calibration
 - application to diverse experimental frames, i.e. properties

Implementation: Case Study: A Watershed behavior



Implementation: Results

Results of simulation of 4 pruned and transformed compositions: Each figure presents a time series



On what basis should they agree?

=> Comparing simulated and observed daily flows for the one-year period (365 days for the year 2009).

What if they disagree?

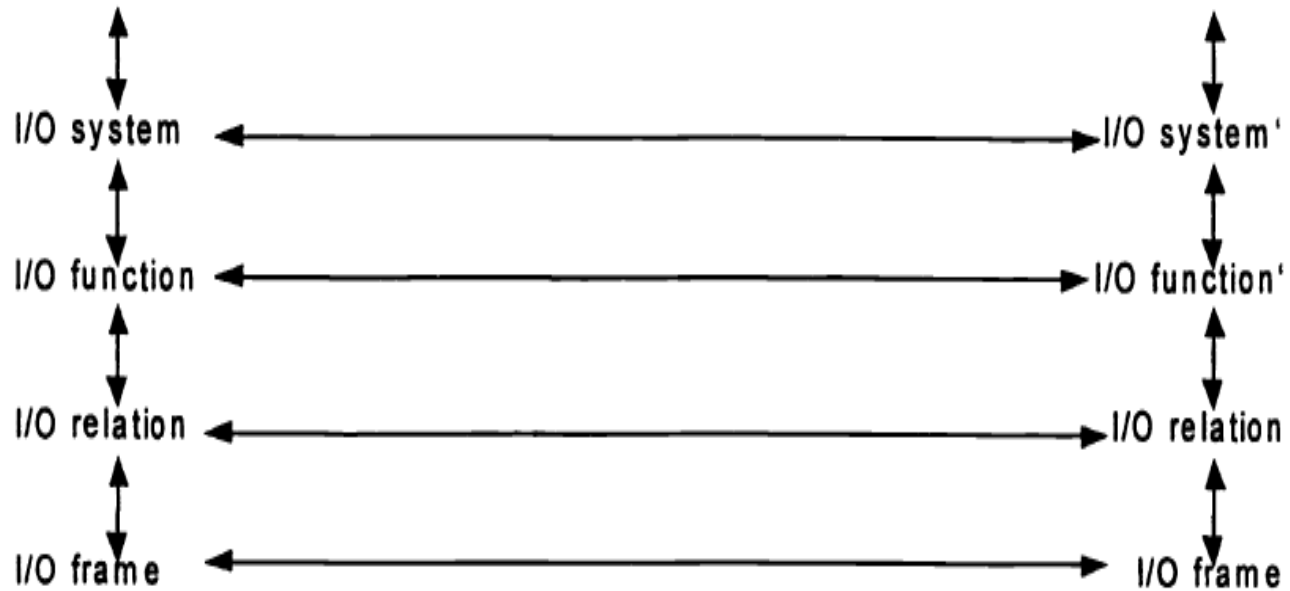
Some background theory – dynamic systems and morphisms provide a mathematical basis

- Systems theory generalizes finite state and linear theory exact and approximate model approximation
- Framework for M&S provides needed concepts for approximate model construction, including model-simulator separation and experimental frames
- Systems theory provides morphism concepts for exact model simplification
- M&S Framework enables System morphism concepts to be extended to handle approximate model construction and error propagation analysis

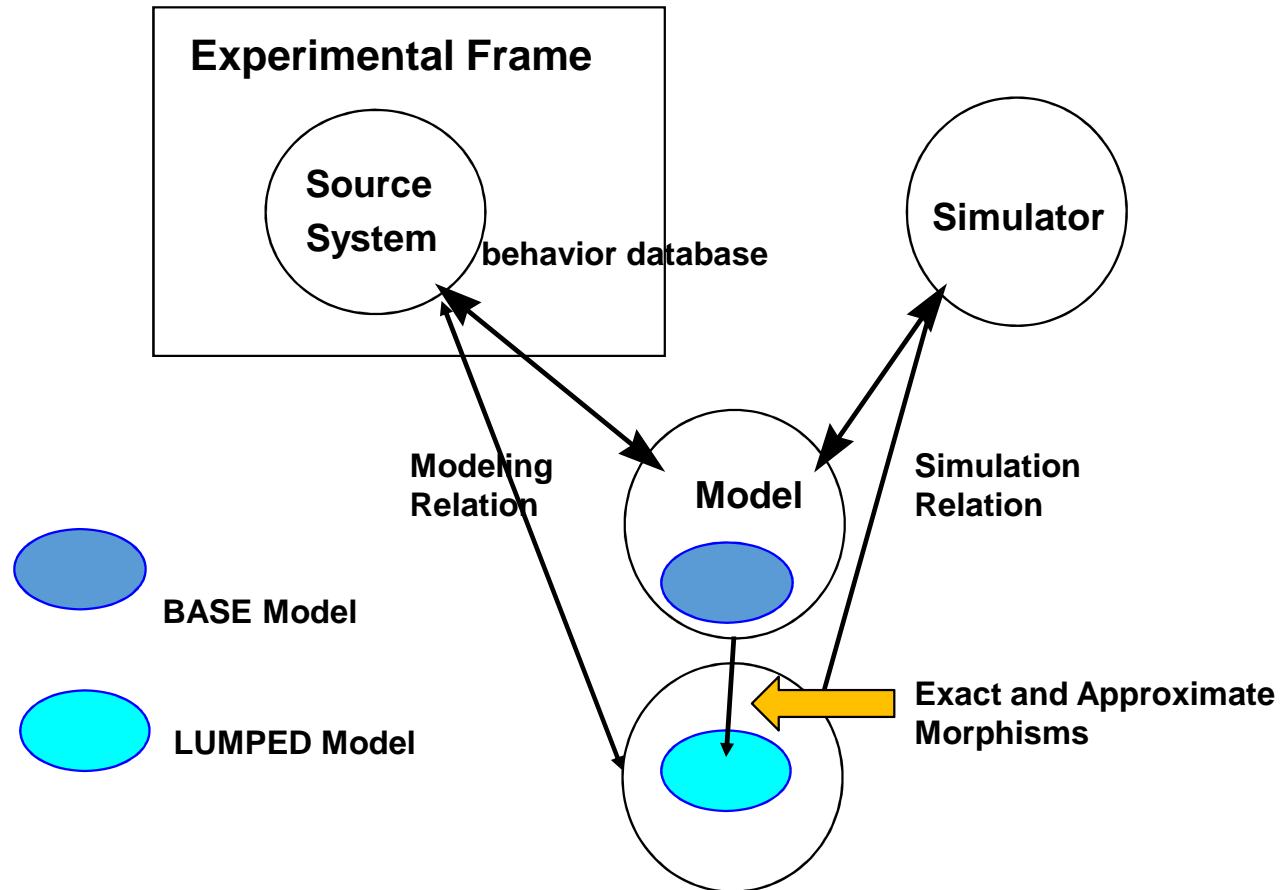
Stratification of System Knowledge/Specification Levels

Level	Specification Name	Two Systems are Morphical at this level if:
0	Observation Frame	their inputs, outputs and time bases can be put into correspondence
1	I/O Behavior	they are morphic at level 0 and the time-indexed input/output pairs constituting their I/O behaviors also match up in one-one fashion
2	I/O Function	they are morphic at level 0 and their initial states can be placed into correspondence so that the I/O functions associated with corresponding states are the same
3	I/O System	the systems are homomorphic (explained below)

Associated Structure/Behavior Preserving Morphisms



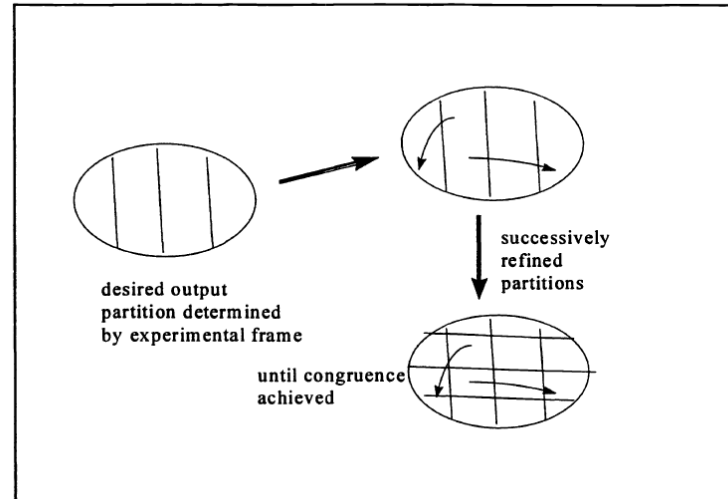
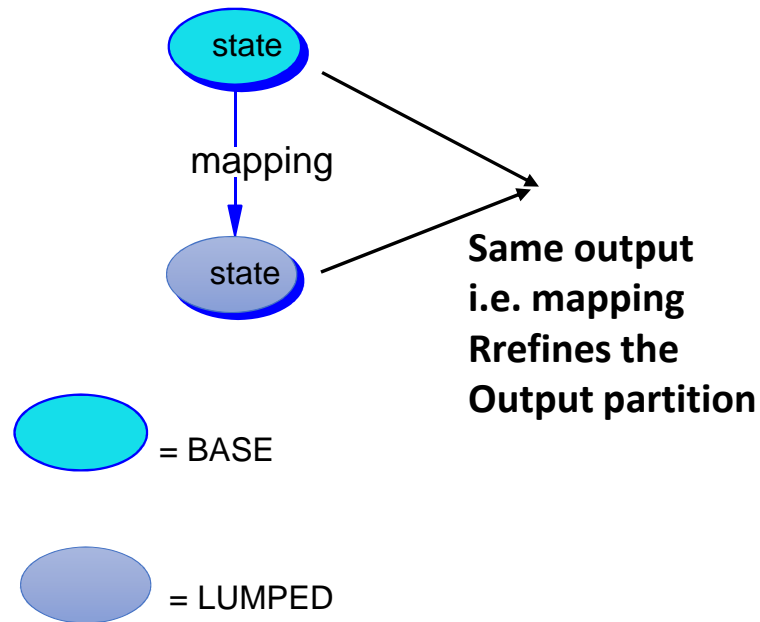
Modeling and Simulation Framework



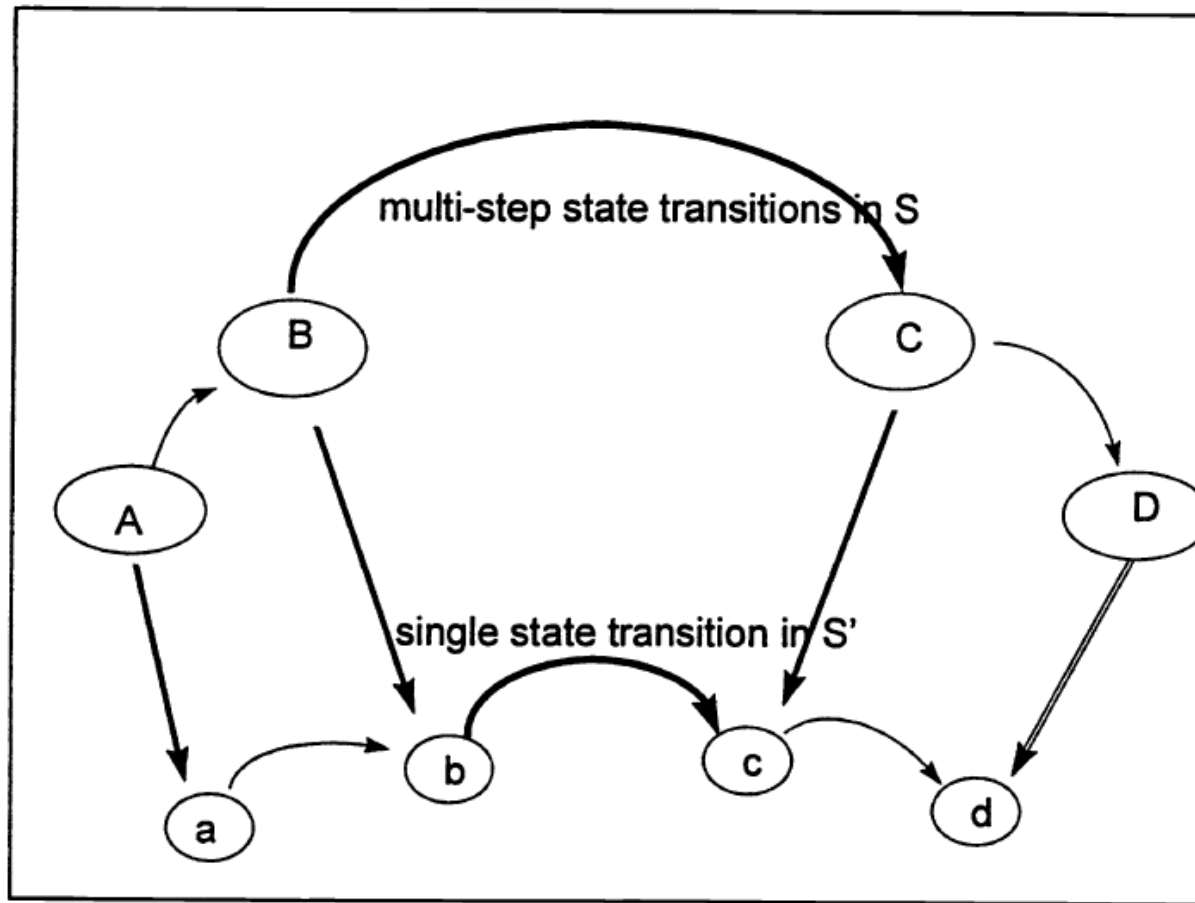
Abstraction is defined as valid model simplification and is relative to one or more experimental frames

[PLOS Computational Biology: Minimum Information About a Simulation Experiment \(MIASE\)](#)

Experimental Frames Determine Validity of Abstraction



Multi-step morphism allows micro states and input/output encoding/decoding



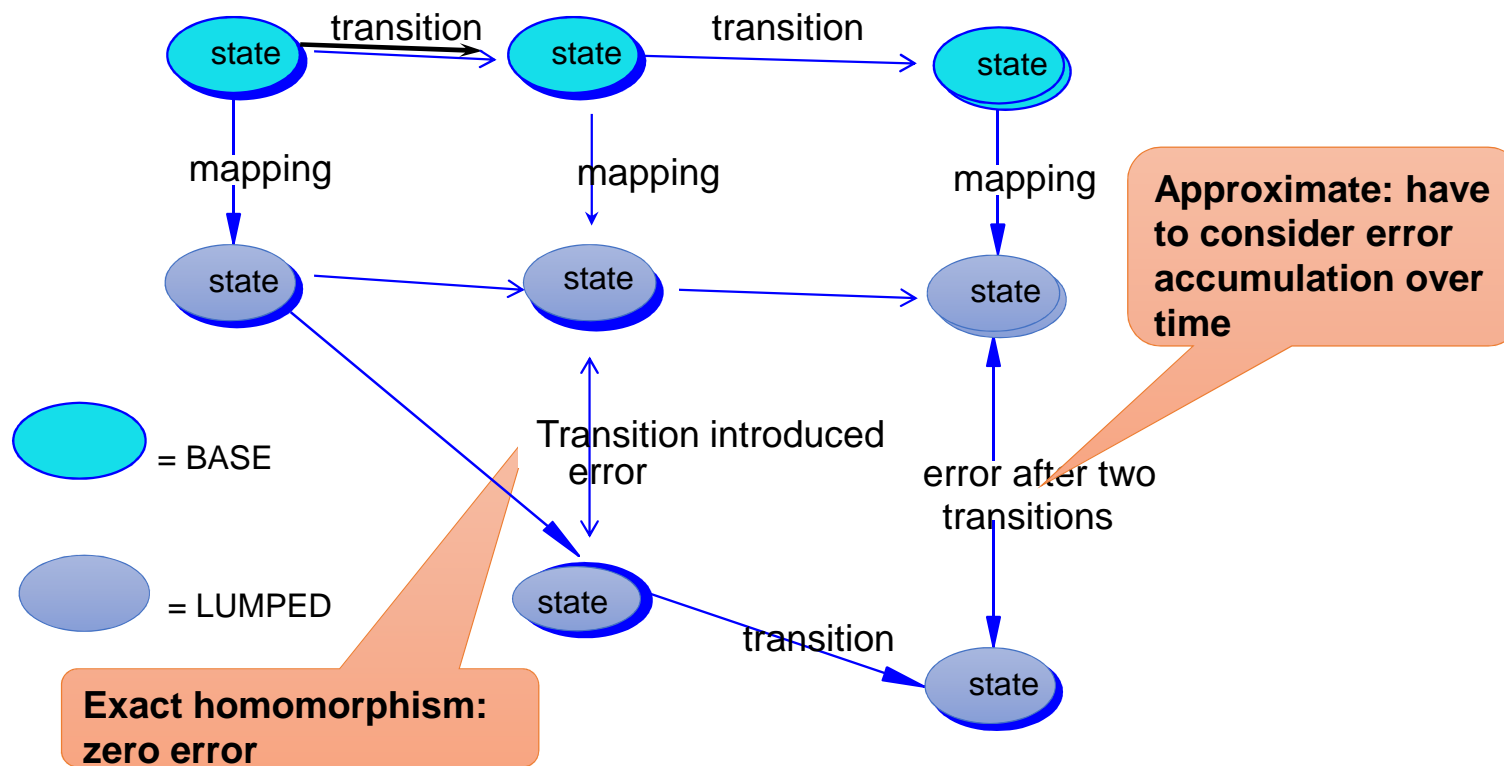
Some sufficient conditions that enable exact abstraction

- Finite state theory provides algorithms employing congruence relations, state set partitions, and output refinement
- Linear systems theory developed model realization theory that was shown to be essentially equivalent to finite state theory
- Probabilistic automata provided somewhat different lumpability criteria
- These concepts were generalized in dynamic system theory within the M&S framework

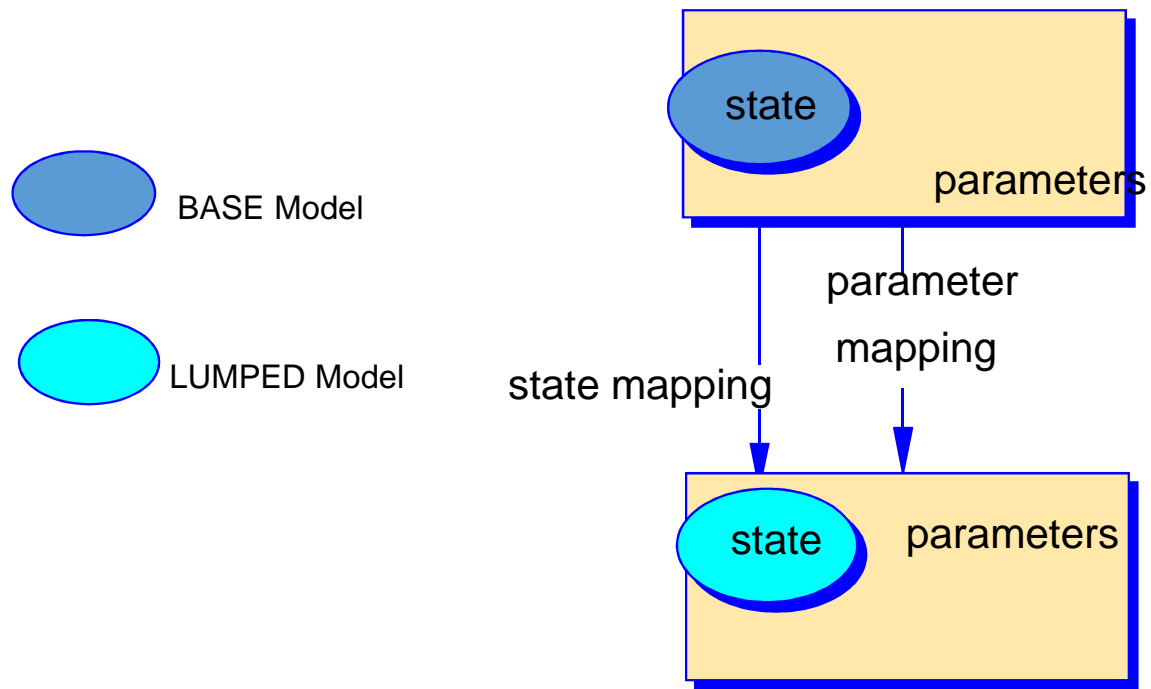
State system homomorphism: exact and approximate

Homomorphism concepts borrowed from finite state automata

require base and lumped model states to **remain in state correspondence over time**

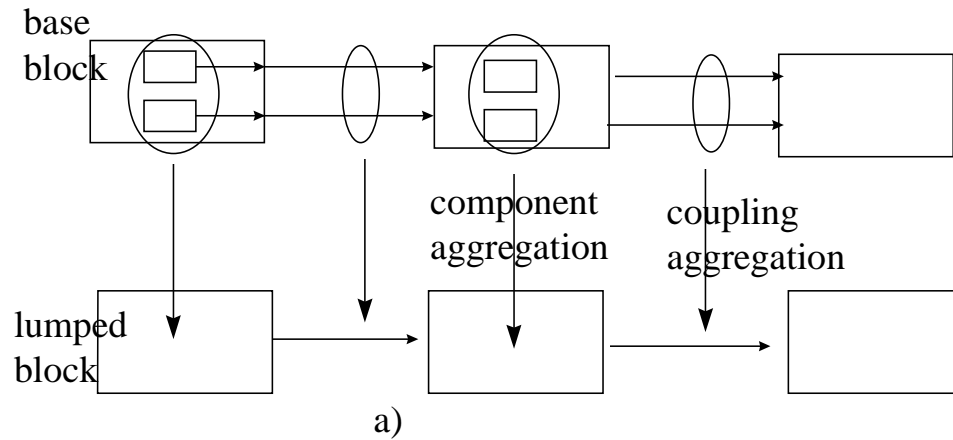


Parameter Morphism: a homomorphism that maps the parameter space of the base model into that of the lumped model

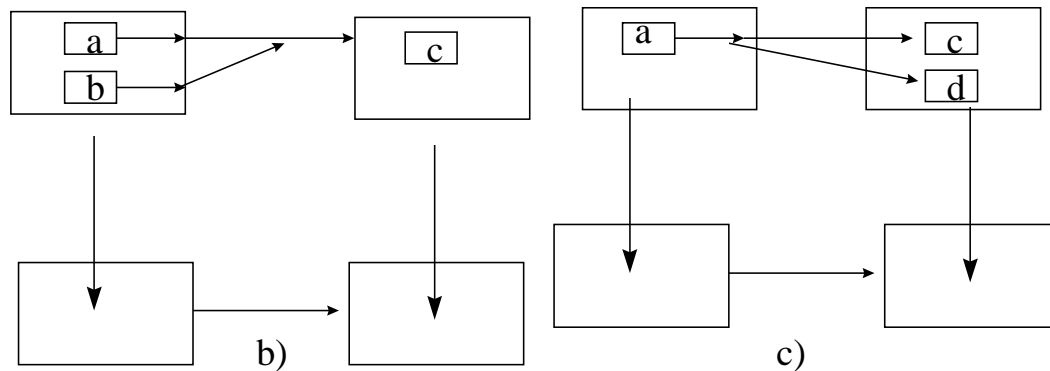


Parameter Morphisms retain valid simplification under changes in parameter values
This supports cross-calibration in multi-level, multi-resolution families

System Theory Generalization of Exact Aggregation Conditions



The Aggregation theorem states that not only must there be homogeneity within blocks but also the inter-block element-to-element interactions must satisfy coupling indifference conditions

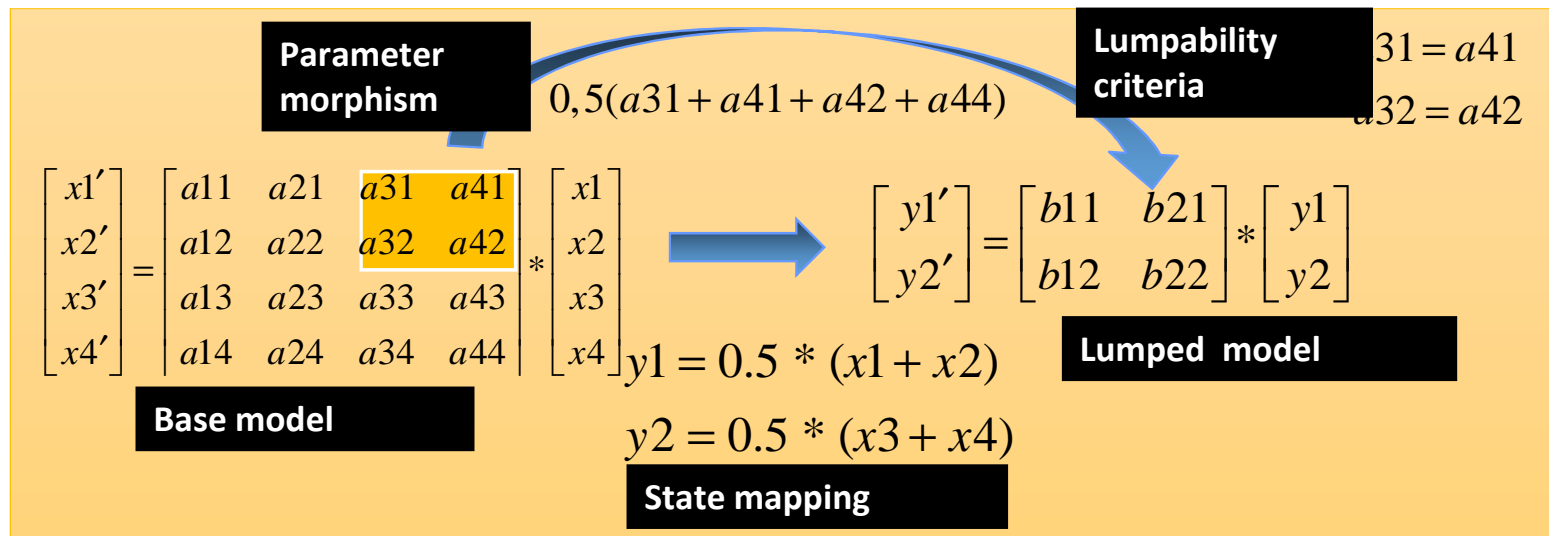


Theorem: Sufficient conditions for Aggregation

Let there be partition on the components of a base model for which 1) the components are homogeneous, 2) the coupling indifference conditions are satisfied, and 3) the base model output is computable from block model output. Then a lumped model exists for which there is an exact homomorphism between the base model and the lumped model.

Example: Lumpability criteria applied to linear discrete time systems

- The base model transition function is expressed as a matrix of coefficients
- The lumped model transition function is of lower order with coefficients derived from aggregation of base coefficients
- The state mapping aggregates base states to lumped states
- Lumpability criteria provide sufficient conditions for preservation of the state mapping over time



Approximate Morphisms handle departures from enabling conditions

- Approximate system morphisms loosen up the strict requirements of exact system morphisms
- Propagation of error that results is characterized and related to the dynamics of the resulting lumped model
- The error propagation can grow or attenuate with time depending on lumped model stability characteristics
- **We can**
 - **analyze a base model and a block partition construction for error departure from exact morphism conditions**
 - **simulate and compare base and lumped model behavior for sensitivity to error propagation**

Example of error propagation analysis: Approximate Lumpability

$$error(t) =$$

$$\sqrt{(x1 + x2 - y1)^2 + (x3 + x4 - y2)^2}$$



$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & g - e & g \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & e \\ 0,5g & 0,5g & 0 & 0 \\ 0,5g & 0,5g & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 0 & g \\ g & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Theory predicts that the gain, g determines error propagation characteristics:

- Error decreases over time when $g < 1$
Otherwise it increases
- The closer to lumpability, the faster the error disappears

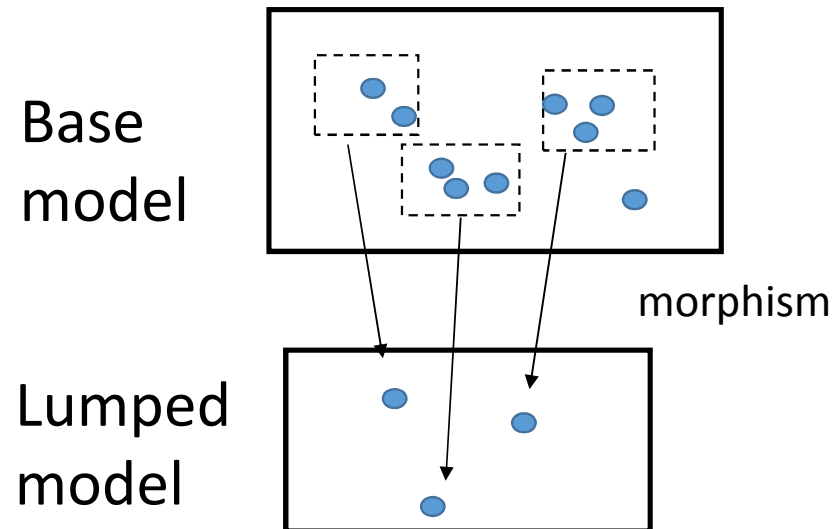
g	e	error at time 5	error behavior
0.8	0.001	-0.002	error decreases over time
0.8	0.01	-0.02	decreases
0.8	0.1	-0.2	decreases
0.8	0.0	0.0	constant
1	0.1	0.4	error increases over time
1.2	0.1	7.0	increases explosively

Application to evolving model approximation families

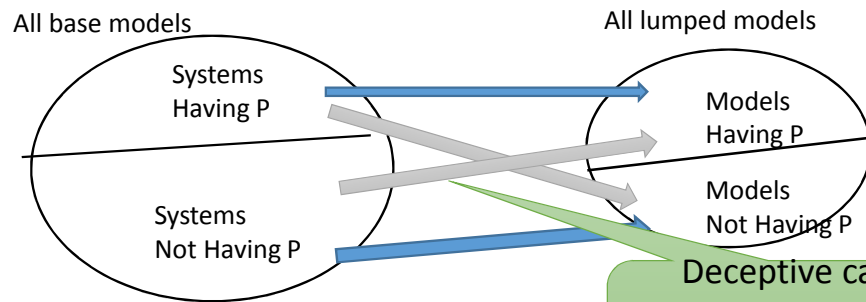
- Approximate model construction methodology supports integrated families of approximate models
- Approximate models are indexed by the experimental frames in which their conditions approximately hold – error propagation conditions in these frames can be estimated
- As field data is ingested for V&V, calibration of any one model propagates information to others from which it is derived and which are further approximations of it, thus maintaining a coherent model family

integrated families of approximation models support 1) estimating trade-offs in accuracy and execution time and 2) choice of approximations meeting analysis needs and time constraints.

Preservation/Predictive Ability (“predictivity”) of models



- Preservation: Does the lumped model preserve a given property of the base model?
- Predictivity: Does a given property of the lumped model imply that the property holds for the base model?
- **Example:** Recurrent (cyclic) vs Absorbing (acyclic) behavior



Lyndon's theorem for automata:

S has positive P implies M has P

M has negative P implies S has P

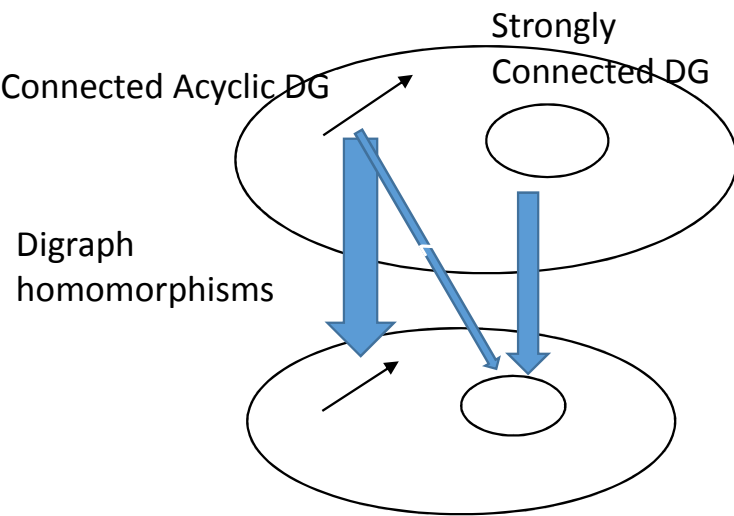
a positive property is one expressible in first order logic without use of negation.

a negative property is one that requires negation to express it.

Deceptive case:
Possible but may be rare
:

- Conditions for inheritance of stability properties for continuous systems (Foo)
- Downward preservation of p implies upward preservation of $\neg p$
- Properties of interest seem not to be expressible in negative form.,
- Sierocki applied Lyndon's theorem to finite automata.
- Reachability, connectedness, and reversibility and are positive by direct statement.
- Sierocki shows that upward inheritance of positive properties holds for the usual homomorphism of automata.
- Moreover, downward inheritance holds for negative properties.
- Saadawi and Wainer showed that some properties flow upward from safety timed automata models verified in uppaal to real time advance devs models under a strong form of bi-simulation similar to isomorphism.

Preservation/Predictive Ability (“predictivity”) of Markov models from analysis of their underlying Directed Graphs(DG)



- Sequences (DAG) can map to DAGs and to Cycles (with low probability)
- Cycles (DCG) can map to **only** DCGs - a cycle either maps to a single state (if it is all in an equivalence class) or to a proper cycle*

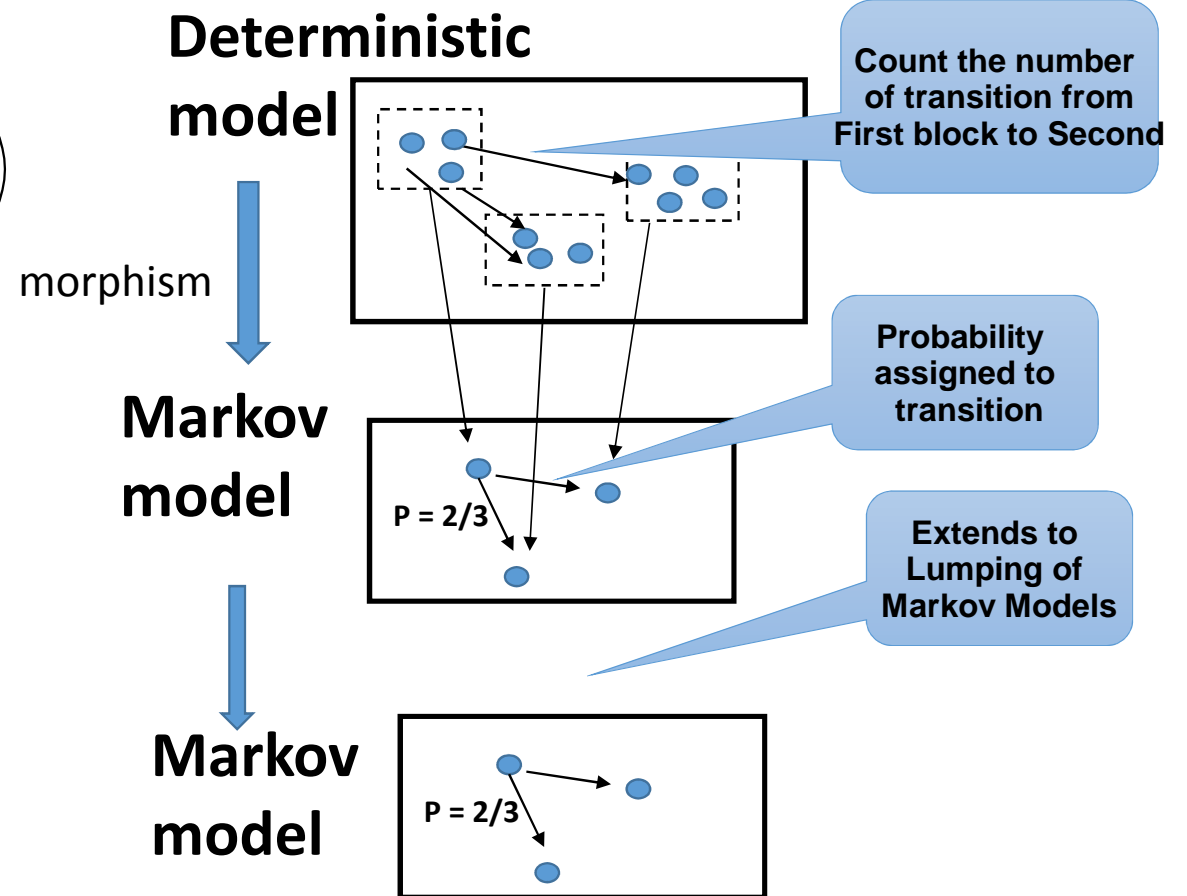
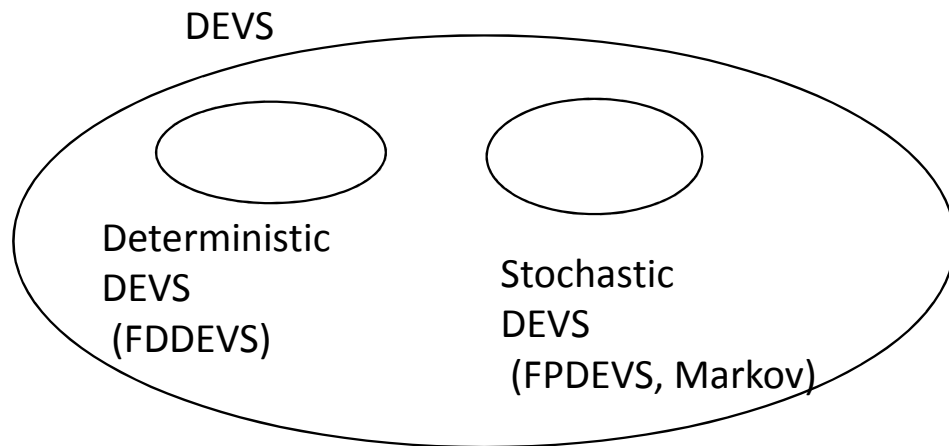
So

- Lumped Model cycles can only come from Base Model cycles
- Lumped Model sequences come from sequences with high probability
- So (Property Preservation)
- Base Model is recurrent implies Lumped model is recurrent
- Base Model is absorbing implies Lumped model is probably absorbing
- And (Property Predictivity)
- Lumped Model is recurrent implies Base model is probably recurrent
- Lumped Model is absorbing implies Base model is absorbing

* Theorem If C is a directed cycle, then $G \text{ hom} \rightarrow C$ iff G contains only cycles of length divisible by the length of C

Pavol Hell, Huishan Zhou, Xuding Zhu Homomorphisms to oriented cycles. 2003

DEVS makes it easy to cross deterministic /stochastic lines



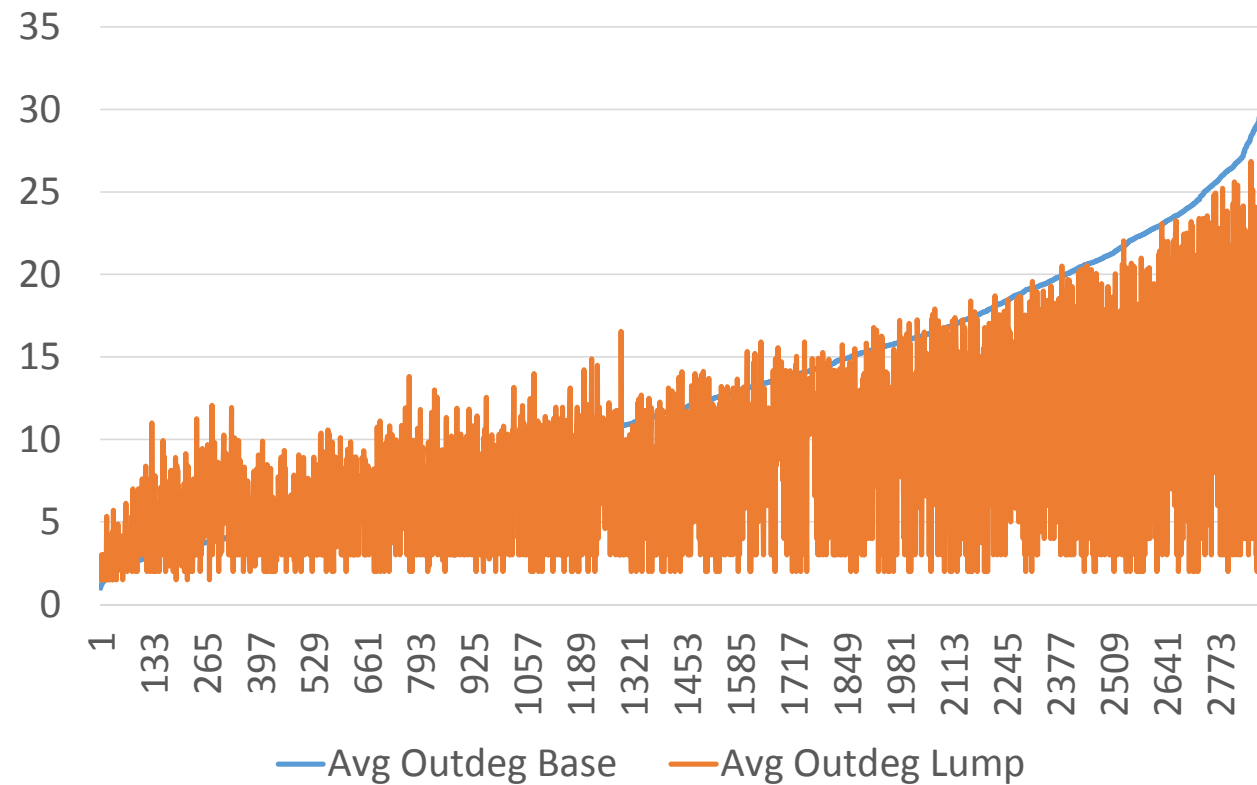
Generated 10,000 pairs of randomized stochastic matrices and state partitions

- The square matrices were sampled from a uniform distribution of sizes, m in the range $[4, 34]$ with partitions sampled conditionally on m with uniform distribution in the range $[2, m-1]$.
- Matrices were generated as sequences of $m \times m$ entries sampled with Binomial distribution with probability increased in 10 steps from .1 to 1 each with 1000 trials (with normalization to assure row summation to unity).
- Partitions were generated by partitioning the integer m , selecting one randomly, and randomly permuting the order of the partition numbers
- For each (matrix, partition) pair, the lumped matrix was generated using Equation 1 (Definition 2) so that the original and lumped chains are called the base, lumped model pair.

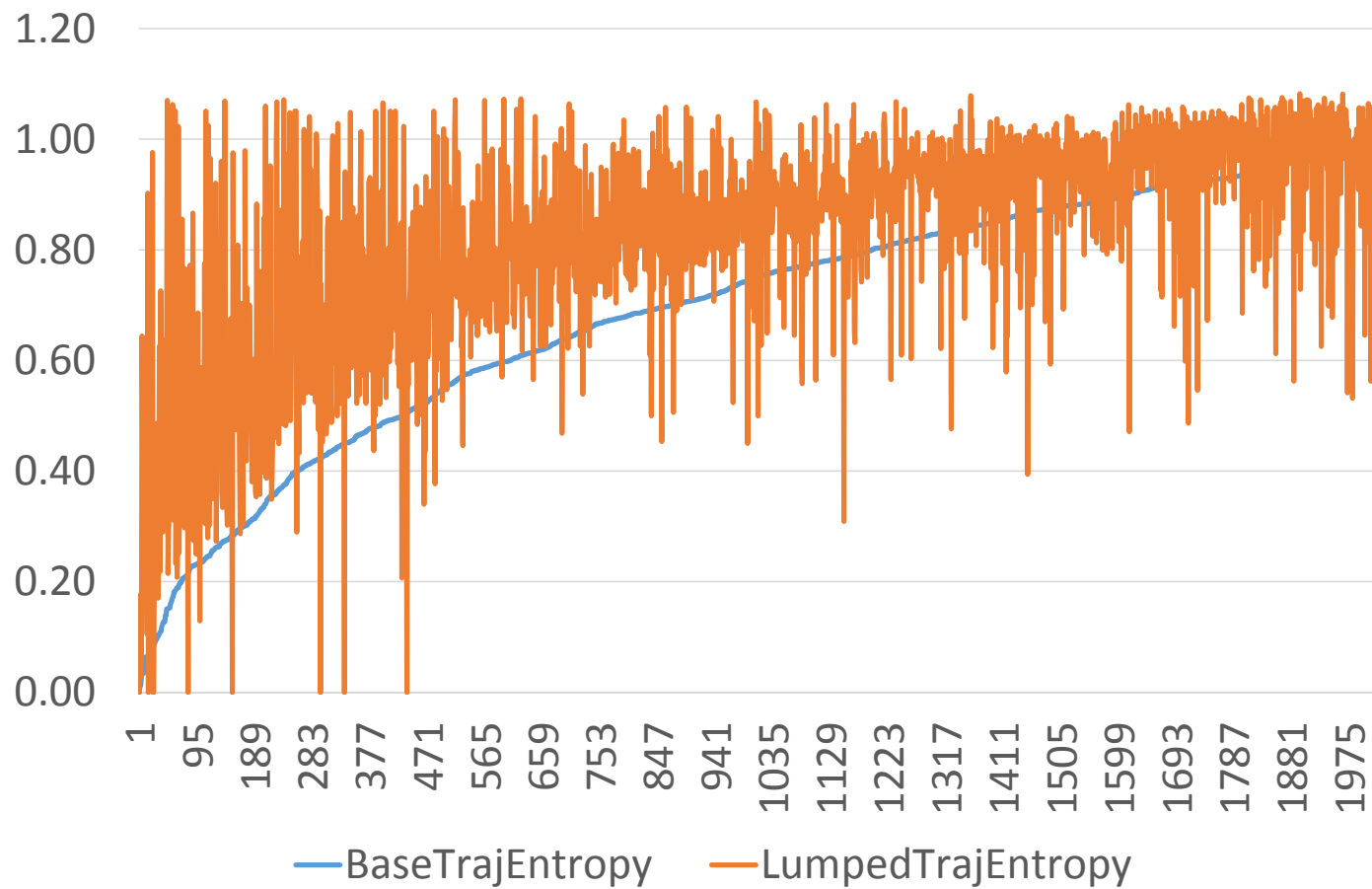
Frequencies of Base/Lumped Cycle Numbers using Cycle Detection in Jama package

Base	Lumped	Number
0	0	38
0	1	147
1	0	28
1	1	9569
1	2	2
2	0	4
2	1	180
2	2	10
3	1	19
3	2	1
4	1	2

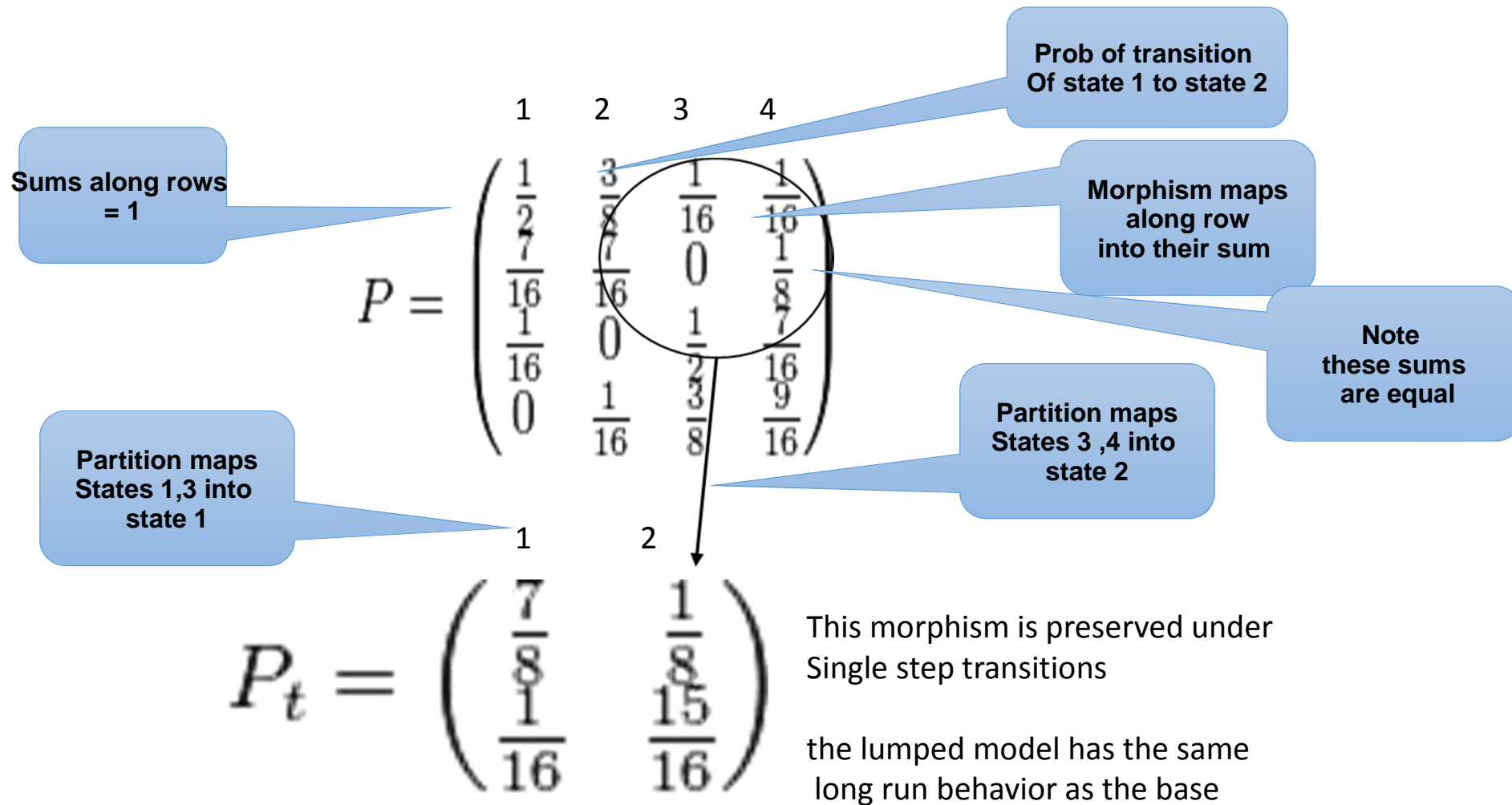
Lumping usually reduces the number of transitions:
Avg Outdegree of Lumped is usually less than Base



However, Predictive uncertainty is increased by Lumping:
Trajectory Entropy of Lumped usually larger than that of Base



Lumpability example taken from [Wikipedia](#)



But what about this matrix?

It still is stochastic but does not satisfy lumpability

The diagram illustrates a transition matrix P and its perturbed version P_t . The matrix P is a 4x4 matrix with columns labeled 1, 2, 3, and 4. A blue callout labeled "+ eps" points to the first column, and another labeled "- eps" points to the fourth column. A circle highlights the submatrix formed by columns 2, 3, and 4. An arrow points from this circle to the matrix P_t , which is a 2x2 matrix with columns labeled 1 and 2. A blue callout labeled "+ eps/2" points to the first column of P_t , and another labeled "- eps/2" points to the second column. A large blue callout box contains the text: "However it is close To the original so shouldn't Its behavior also be close?"

$$P = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \\ \frac{1}{2} & \frac{3}{8} & \frac{1}{16} & \frac{1}{16} \\ \frac{7}{16} & \frac{7}{16} & 0 & \frac{1}{8} \\ \frac{1}{16} & 0 & \frac{1}{2} & \frac{7}{16} \\ \frac{1}{16} & \frac{1}{16} & \frac{3}{8} & \frac{9}{16} \\ 0 & \frac{1}{16} & \frac{1}{8} & \frac{1}{16} \end{pmatrix}$$
$$P_t = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ \frac{7}{8} & \frac{1}{8} \\ \frac{1}{16} & \frac{15}{16} \end{pmatrix}$$

However it is close
To the original so shouldn't
Its behavior also be close?

Lumpability metric: LumpSTD measures how varied the partial sums are – the more varied the less lumpable

$$P = \begin{matrix} & \begin{matrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \end{matrix} \\ \begin{matrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 7 \\ 16 \\ 1 \\ 16 \\ 0 \end{matrix} & \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & \frac{3}{8} & \frac{1}{16} & \frac{1}{16} \\ \frac{7}{8} & \frac{7}{16} & 0 & \frac{1}{8} \\ \frac{1}{16} & 0 & \frac{1}{2} & \frac{7}{16} \\ \frac{1}{16} & 0 & \frac{1}{2} & \frac{9}{16} \\ 0 & \frac{1}{16} & \frac{3}{8} & \frac{9}{16} \end{pmatrix} \end{matrix}$$

Consider the sums as samples of a rv
 Compute the sample mean and std
 The mapped value = sample mean
 LumpSTD be the std.

$$P_t = \begin{matrix} & \begin{matrix} 1 & 2 \end{matrix} \\ \begin{matrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{matrix} & \begin{pmatrix} \frac{7}{8} & \frac{1}{8} \\ \frac{1}{16} & \frac{15}{16} \end{pmatrix} \end{matrix}$$

Jensen-Shannon Metric For Probability Distributions

The Jensen-Shannon divergence, defined for two distributions P and Q by

$$JSD(P, Q) = \frac{1}{2}D(P\|M) + \frac{1}{2}D(Q\|M)$$

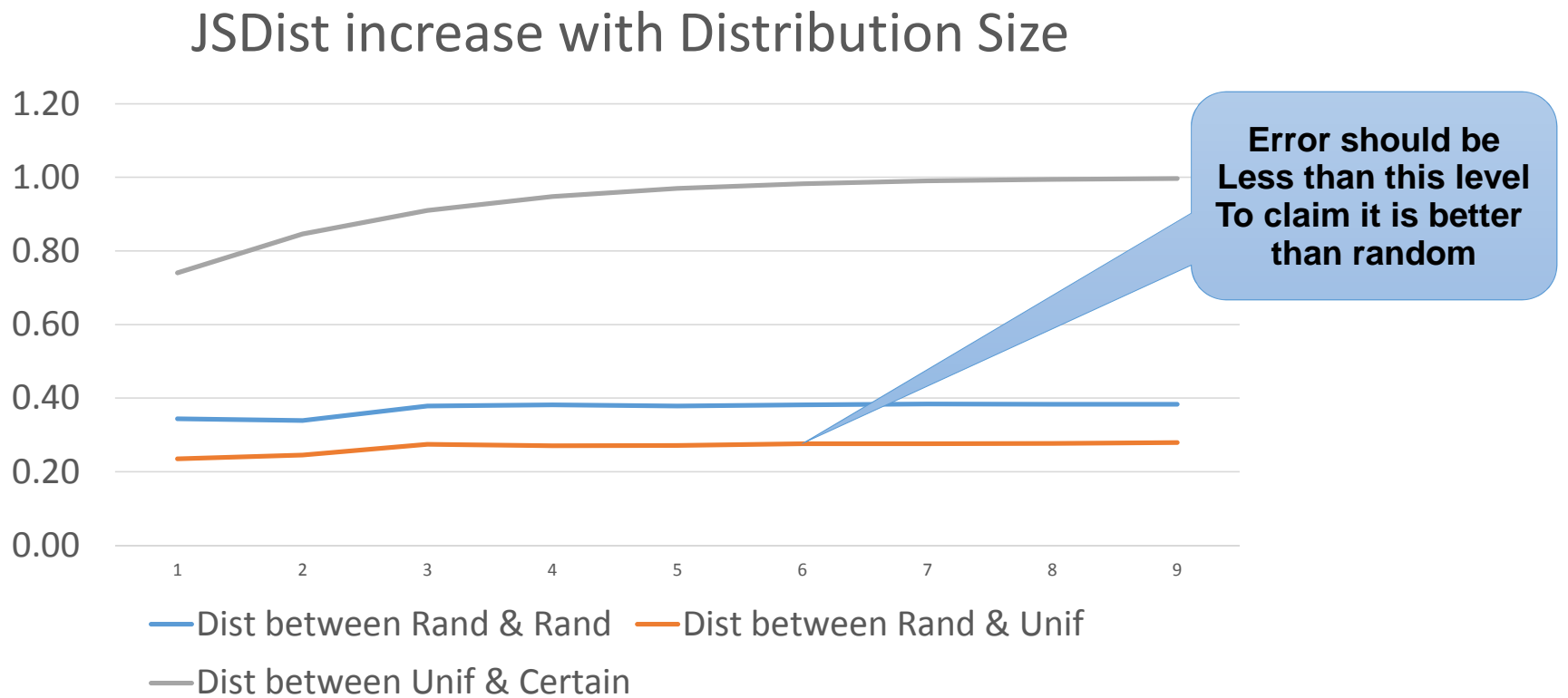
where $M = \frac{1}{2}(P + Q)$ and $D(A\|B)$ is the Kullback-Leibler

JSDist = square root (JSD) is a distance metric

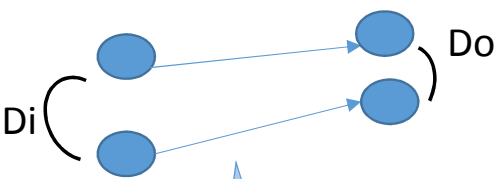
Approximation Error =

JSDist (Lumped Equilibrium Distribution,
Mapped (Base Equilibrium Distribution))

Background values of JSDist metric



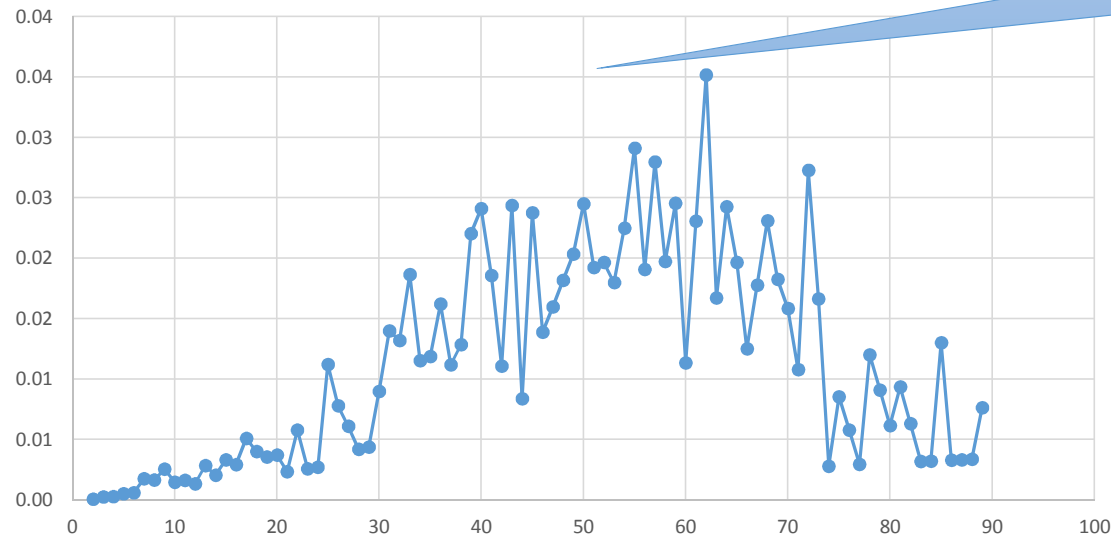
Error propagation is self-damping: general theory says Contraction mapping implies error decreases



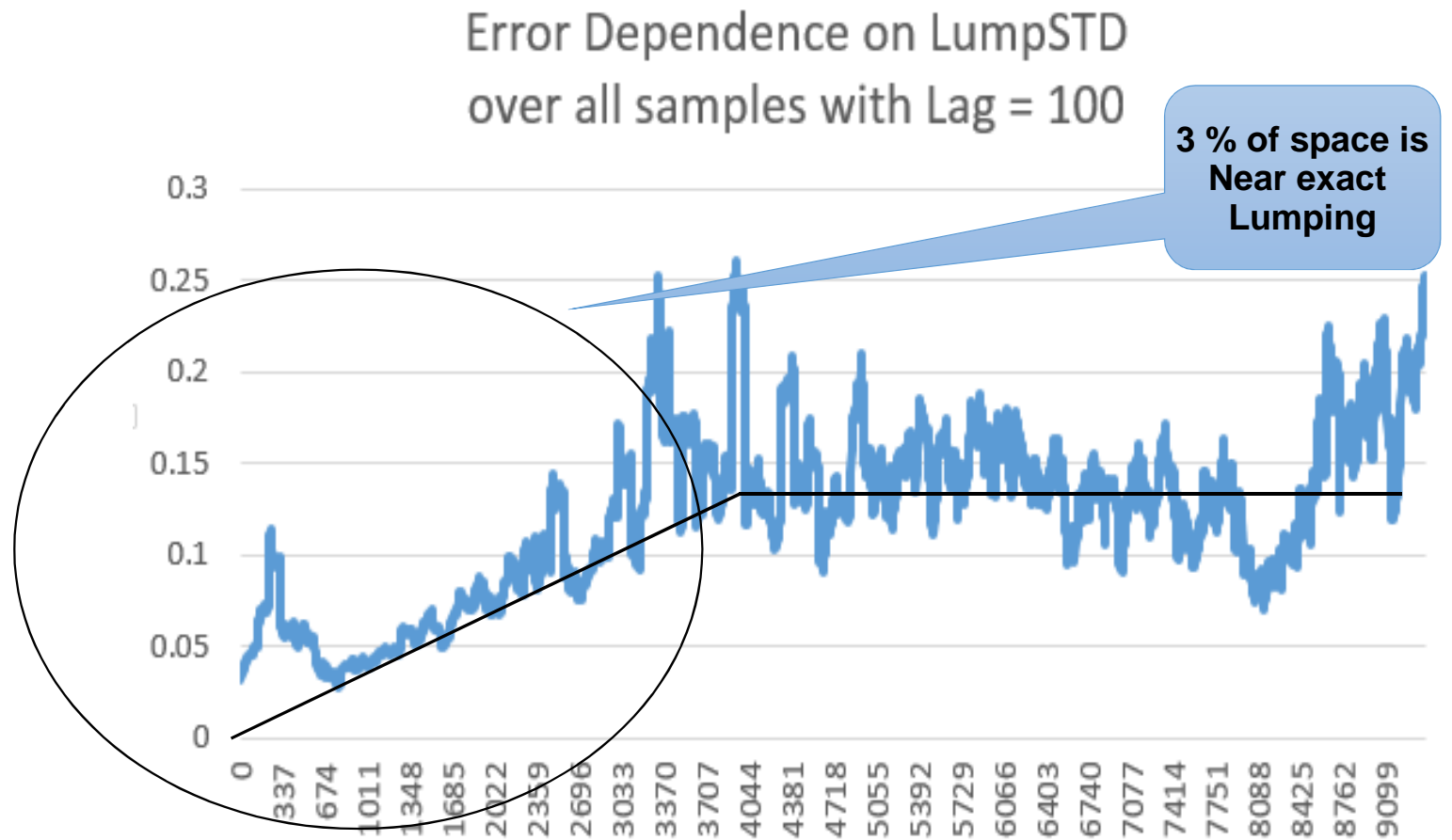
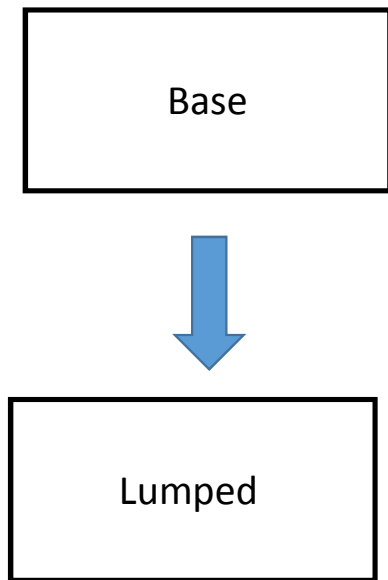
Single Step transition

Contraction MaxRatio
= $\max D_o/D_i$ in one transition neighborhood

Contraction ratio is always <1



Approximate Morphisms: What's the probability of finding a reasonably good approximate lumpable partition when sampling at random?



Conclusion

- Properties of interest may not be preserved in the abstraction process
- Moreover lumped model properties may be deceptive – they may not carry over to the base model
- Measures of model quality may not behave as expected under aggregation
- Exact morphisms are very rare
- But approximate morphisms may be much more common and discoverable by modelers – humans and computers