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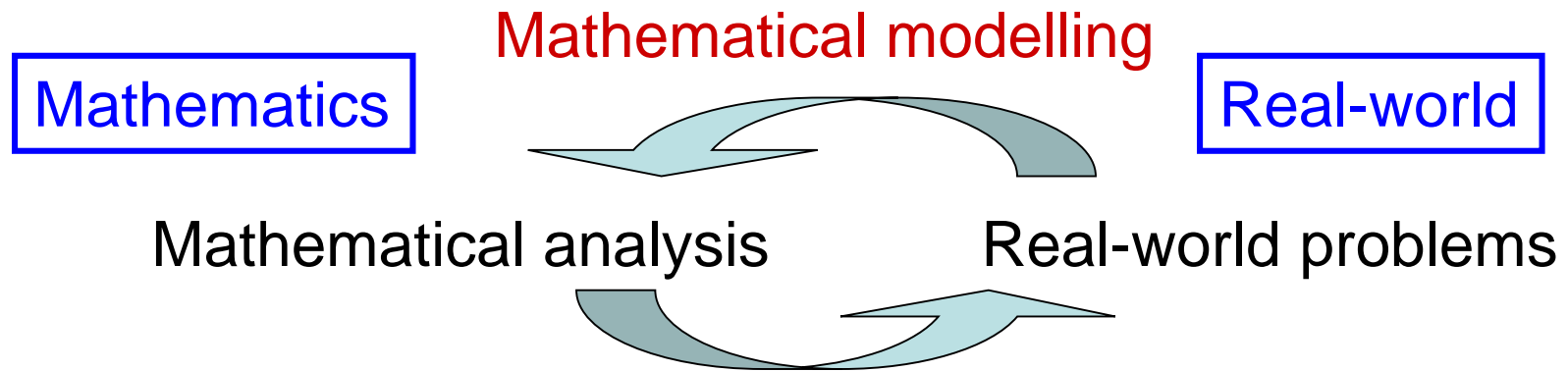
# **DNB (Dynamical Network Biomarkers) Theory for Human Health**

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# Mathematical Engineering



understand, solve, optimize, control, and predict  
(systems with difficulty of these approaches  
= complex systems)

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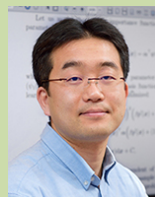


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# Mathematical Modeling of NI for Novel AI and of Psychiatry and Neurological Disorders

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Experimental  
Neuroscience

Mathematical Modeling and  
Analysis on Complex  
Neurodynamics in the Brain

Novel AI

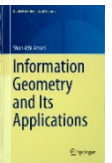
Psychiatric  
and  
Neurological  
Disorders

- Basic principles underlying neural circuit development and functions
- Complex six-layered structure of the cerebral cortex with recurrent connections, gap junctions, and projections from the limbic system
- Feedforward and feedback pathways between lower and higher cortical areas

- Complex systems modeling of neural circuit development and functions as well as their disorders
- Bifurcation-theoretical analysis on transitions between normal and impaired neurodynamics as well as between quasi-periodic states
- Nonlinear data analysis on spatio-temporal neuronal data
- Neuromorphic and neuro-inspired computational models and their hardware implementation

Related Historical Inheritances  
at Aihara's Lab in UTokyo

- J. Nagumo's neuronal circuits (1962)
- S.-I. Amari's mathematical brainscience (1970s-) and information geometry (1980s-)





# Brain/MINDS Beyond

3-2. Surveys on next-generation AI technologies and development of fundamental technologies

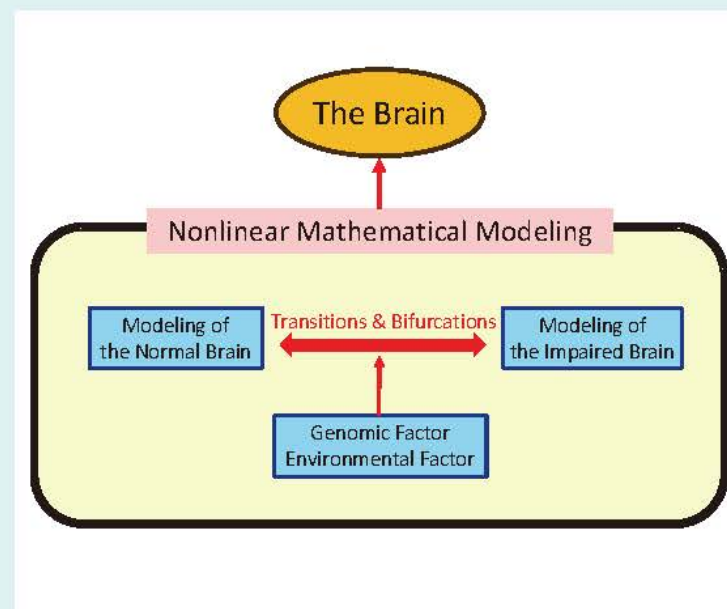
## Research and Development on Next-Generation AI and its Key Technology Based on Nonlinear Dynamics



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In this research project, we explore technological backgrounds of mathematical models related to information processing in the brain as well as next-generation AI based on such models, review the possibility of realization of such next-generation AI technology and trends of state-of-the-art research, and propose important tasks necessary for the realization of next-generation AI that learns from the dynamic brain particularly from the viewpoint of nonlinear dynamics with a focus on both functions of the normal brain and dysfunctions of the impaired brain. Then, we develop basic mathematical technology for innovative brain-type algorithms, and consider its applicability to robotics and mental illnesses.



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From DNA to **DNB**(Dynamical Network Biomarkers)

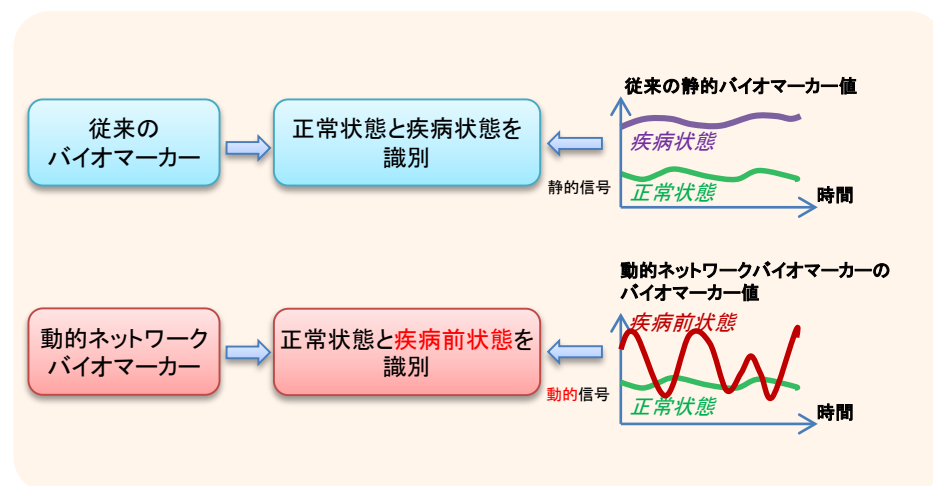
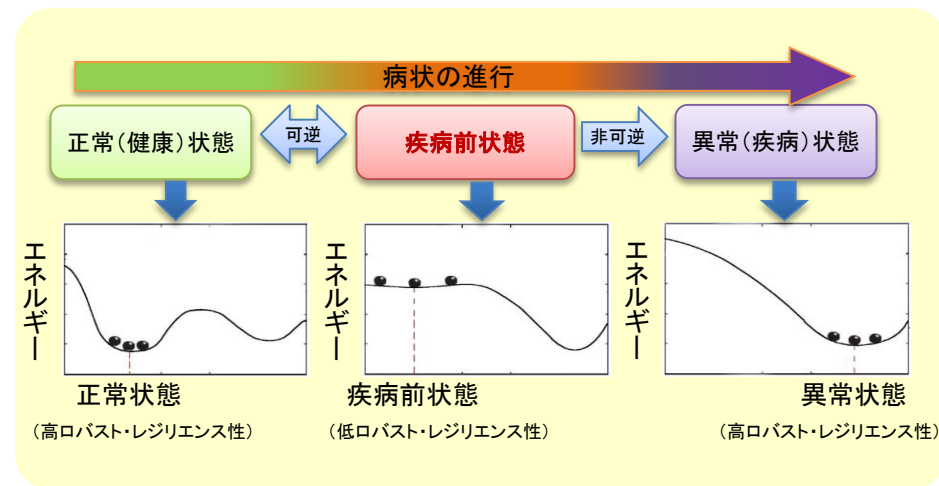
Detecting early-warning signals of complex diseases  
by dynamical network biomarkers

# DNB(Dynamical Network Biomarkers)

**Problem:** Difficulty of Finding Excellent Single Biomarkers. Impossibility of Detecting Early Warning Signals for Imminent Transitions to Disease State



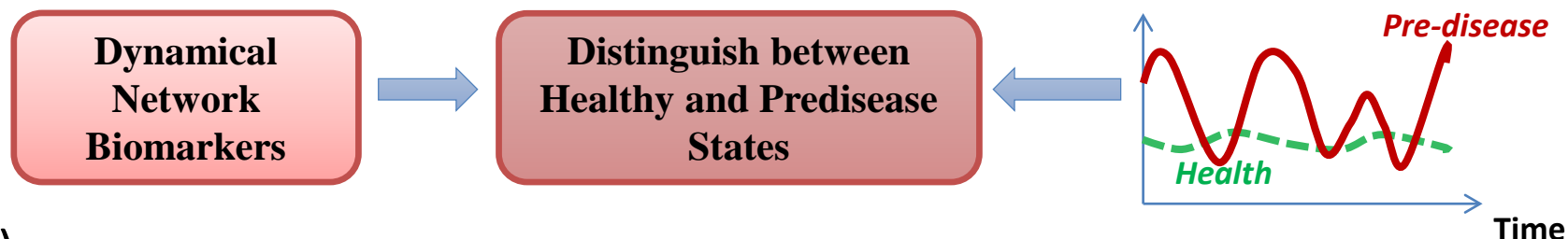
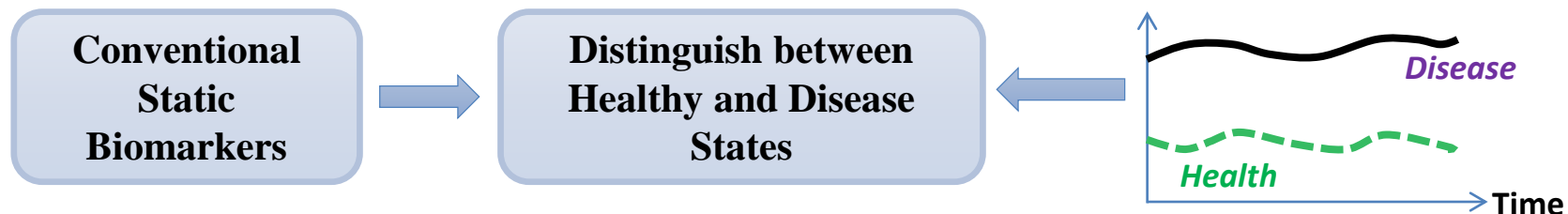
Proposal of an Entirely New Concept of Biomarkers that Provide the Early Warning Signals through Dynamics with Correlated Fluctuations (Patents 2012-211921, 2012-233886; *Scientific Reports*, **2**, 342, 2012; **2**, 423, 2012)。



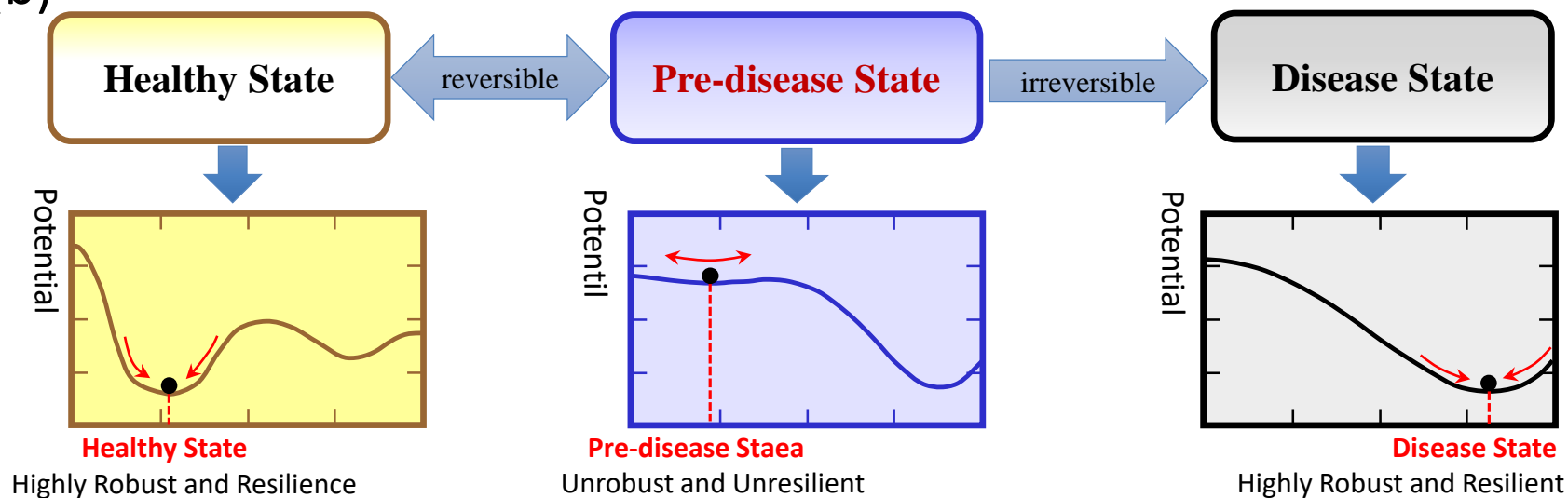
Applications to Power Grids with large Renewable Energy, Complex Engineering Systems, and Economical Data.

# Disease Progress

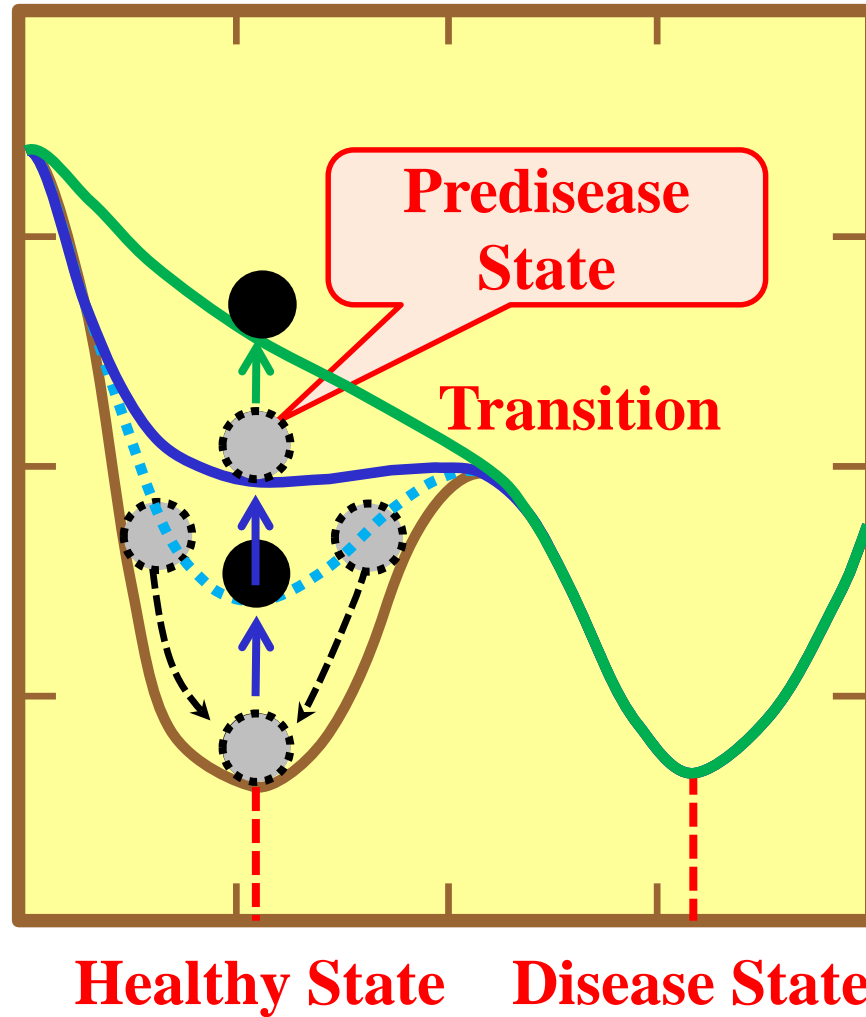
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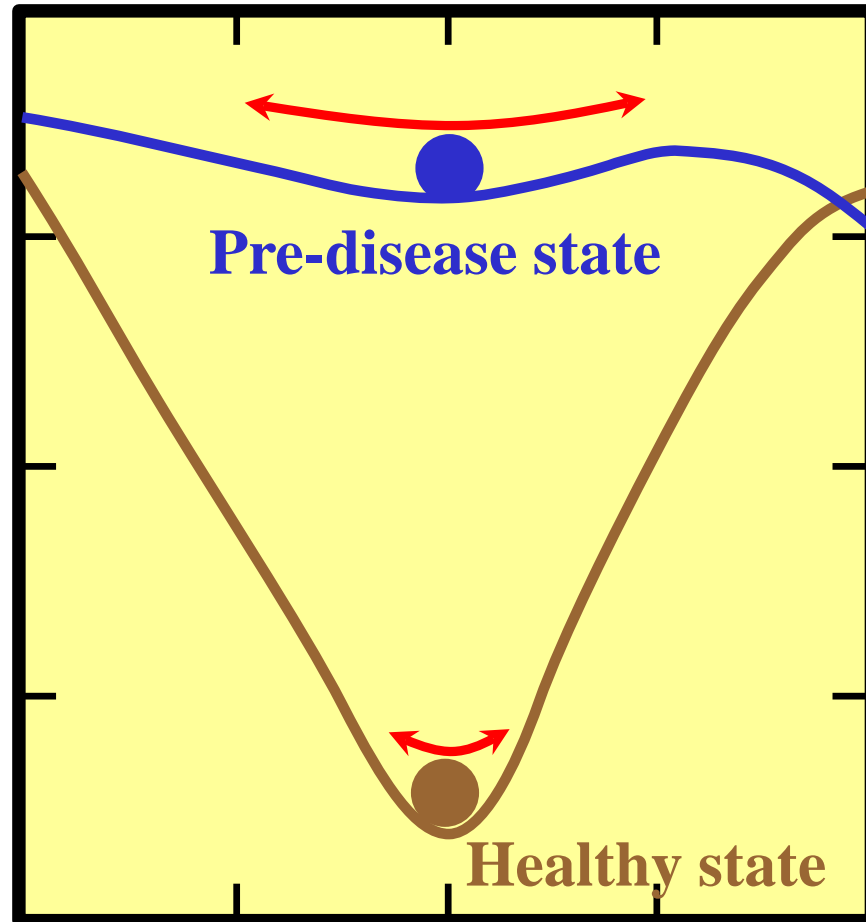


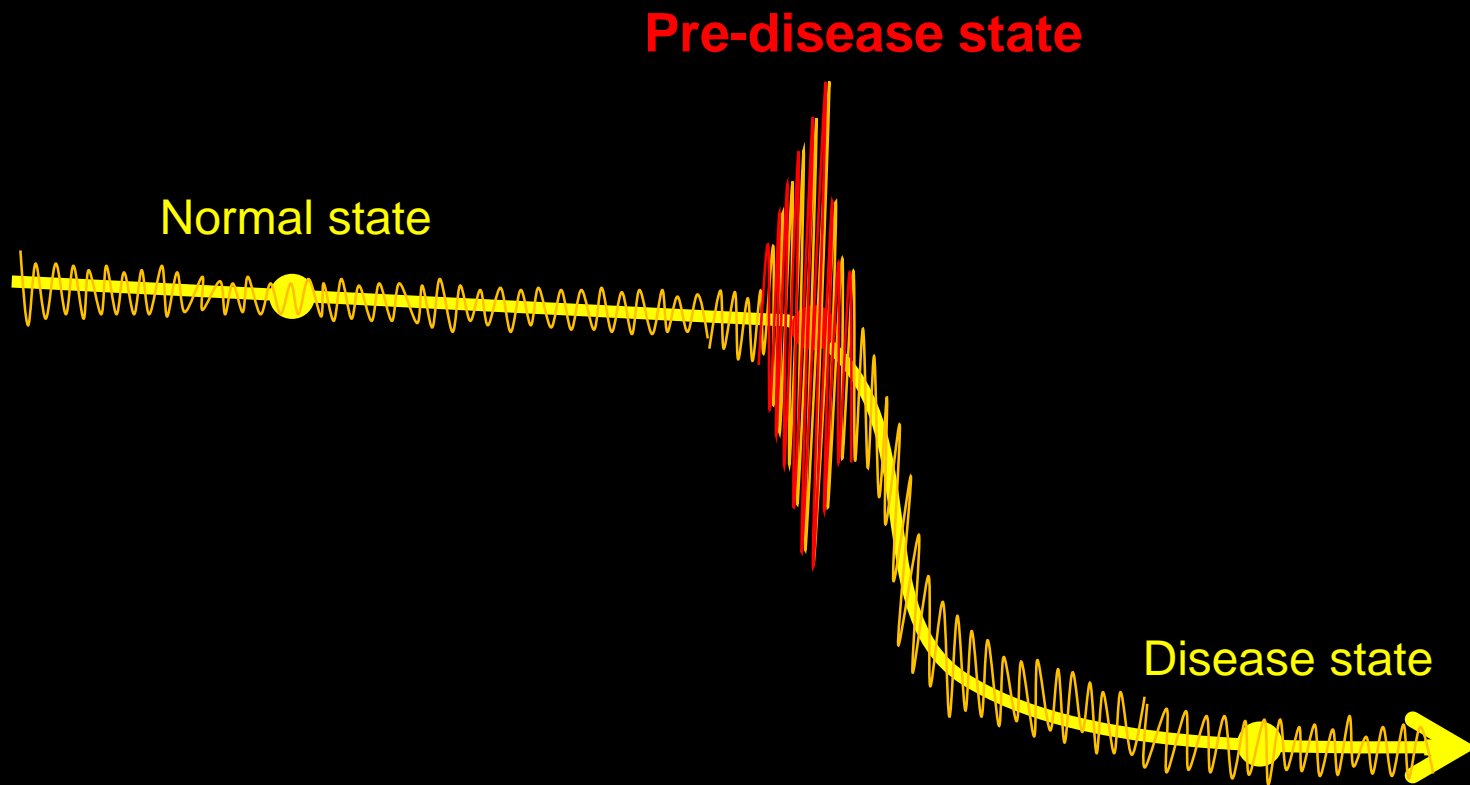
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**Disease progression**

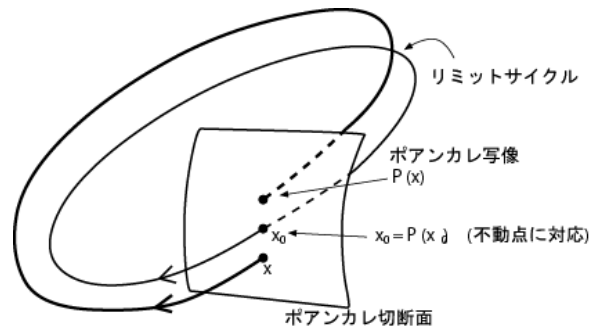
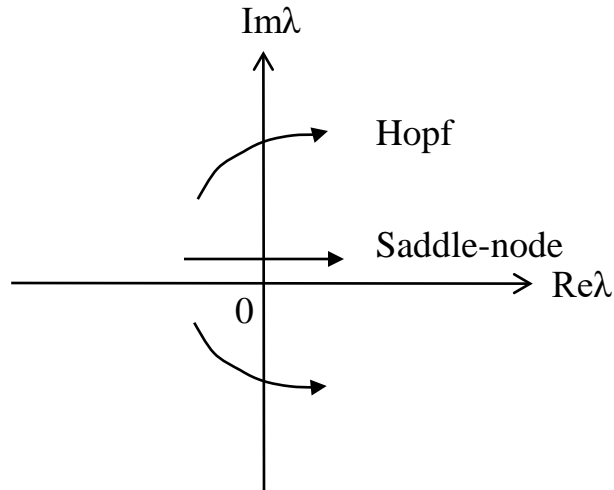
# Local Codim-1 Bifurcations

$$\frac{dX(t)}{dt} = F(X(t)) \xrightarrow[t \in R]{\text{Poincare Section}} x(t+1) = f(x(t)) \xrightarrow[t \in Z]{\text{Linearization}} \xi(t+1) = \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \cdot \xi(t)$$

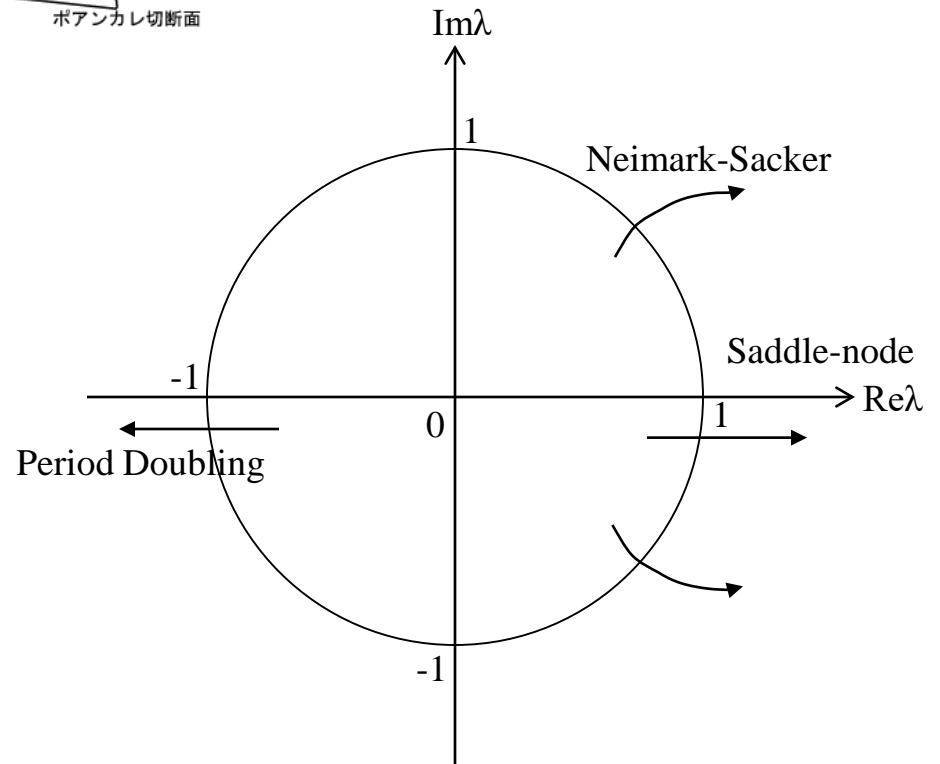
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Linearization

$$\frac{d\xi(t)}{dt} = \frac{\partial F}{\partial X} \cdot \xi(t)$$

Bifurcation Analysis



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Bifurcation Analysis



# Main Theorem

1. If both  $i$  and  $j$  are in DNB,

Pearson Correlation  $\text{pcc}(x_i, x_j) \rightarrow \pm 1$

Standard Deviation  $\text{sd}(x_i)$  and  $\text{sd}(x_j) \rightarrow \infty$

2. If only  $i$  is in DNB,

Pearson Correlation  $\text{pcc}(x_i, x_j) \rightarrow 0$

Standard Deviation  $\text{sd}(x_i) \rightarrow \infty$  but  $\text{sd}(x_j) = \textit{bounded}$

3. If both  $i$  and  $j$  are not in DNB,

Pearson Correlation  $|\text{pcc}(x_i, x_j)| \rightarrow a \quad (0 < a < 1)$

Standard Deviation  $\text{sd}(x_i)$  and  $\text{sd}(x_j) = \textit{bounded}$

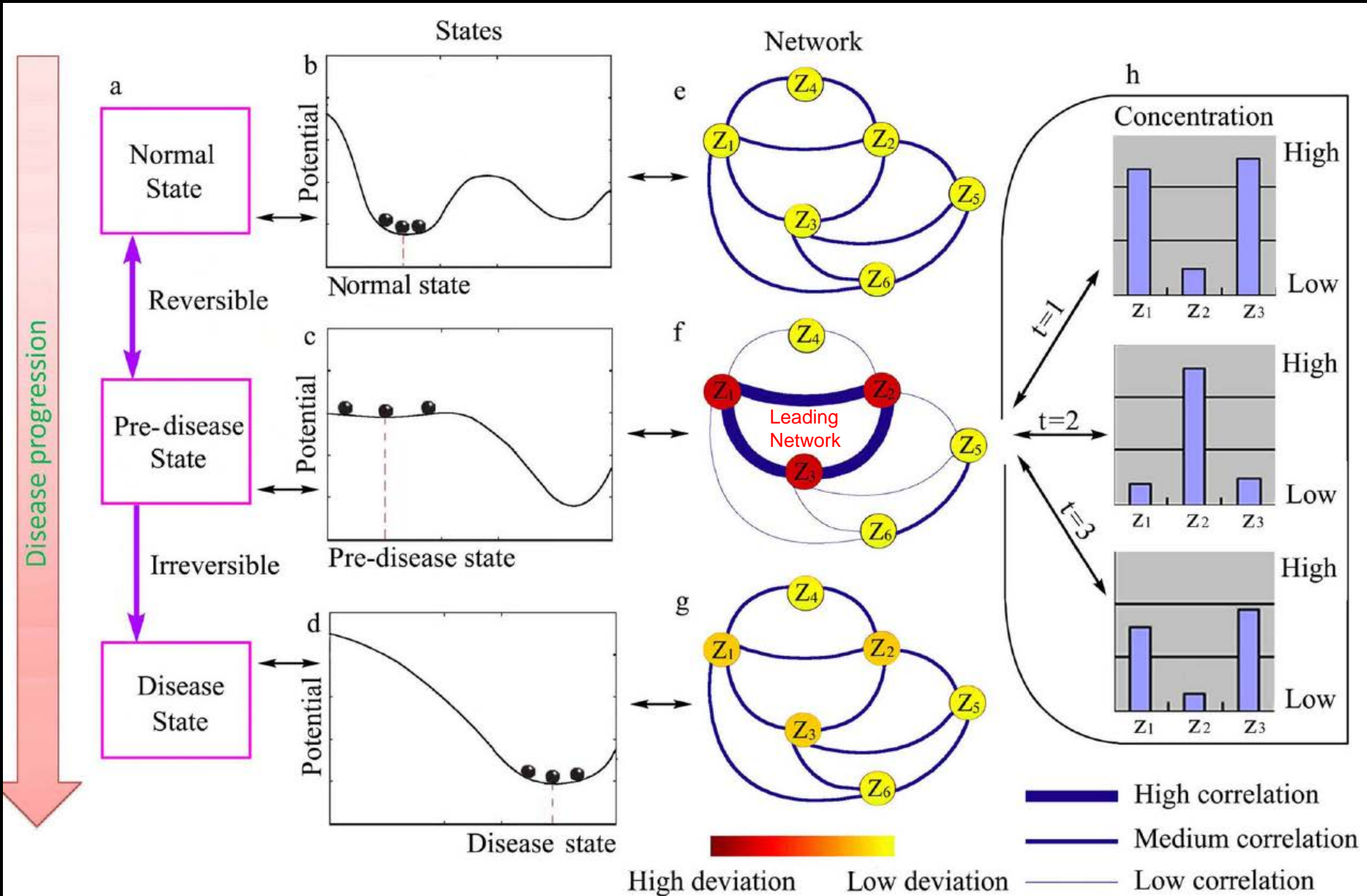
**Three Measurable Conditions**



**Critical State**



# Dynamical Network Biomarker (DNB) (Chen et al., Sci. Rep., 2:342, 2012)



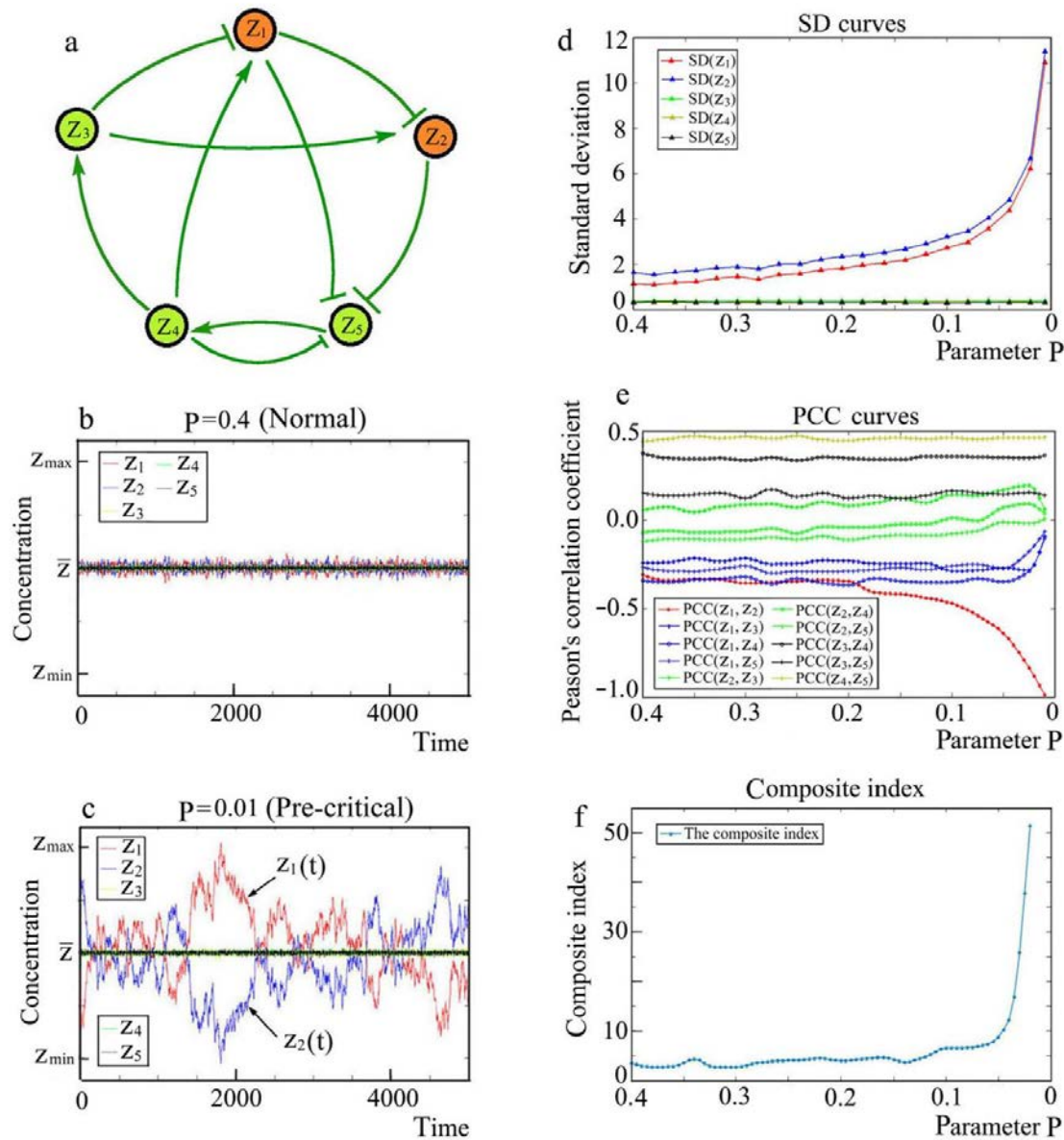
# Composite Indicator based on DNB

$$I =: SD_d \cdot PCC_d$$

$PCC_d$  : *average PCC of DNB in absolute value*

$SD_d$  : *average SD of DNB*

**Based on the two conditions**



Numerical validation of theoretical results. (a) A five-gene model for a DNB and an early-warning signal. The network model and detailed background are described in Supplementary Information B. The tipping point is at  $P_{50}$  in the theoretical model, at which the system undergoes a critical transition or a bifurcation detected by  $z_1$  and  $z_2$ . (b)–(c) When the system approaches the tipping point ( $P_{50}$ ),  $z_1$  and  $z_2$  become closely correlated with increasingly strong deviations from  $P_{50.4}$  to  $P_{50.01}$ . (d)–(e) Figures show the curves of SDs and PCCs for the variables against the parameter  $P$ , which clearly indicate the tendency of  $z_1$  and  $z_2$ , i.e., their fluctuations ( $SD(z_1)$  and  $SD(z_2)$ ) and correlation ( $|PCC(z_1, z_2)|$ ) increase drastically whereas their correlations with other nodes ( $|PCC(z_1, z_3)|$ ,  $|PCC(z_1, z_4)|$ ,  $|PCC(z_1, z_5)|$ ,  $|PCC(z_2, z_3)|$ ,  $|PCC(z_2, z_4)|$ , and  $|PCC(z_2, z_5)|$ ) decrease drastically when the system approaches the tipping point, which satisfies all three criteria for the DNB. (f) The curve shows the clear tendency of the composite index near the tipping point for the DNB composed of ( $z_1, z_2$ ), which can be used as the early-warning signal for predicting the imminent change in the concerned system.

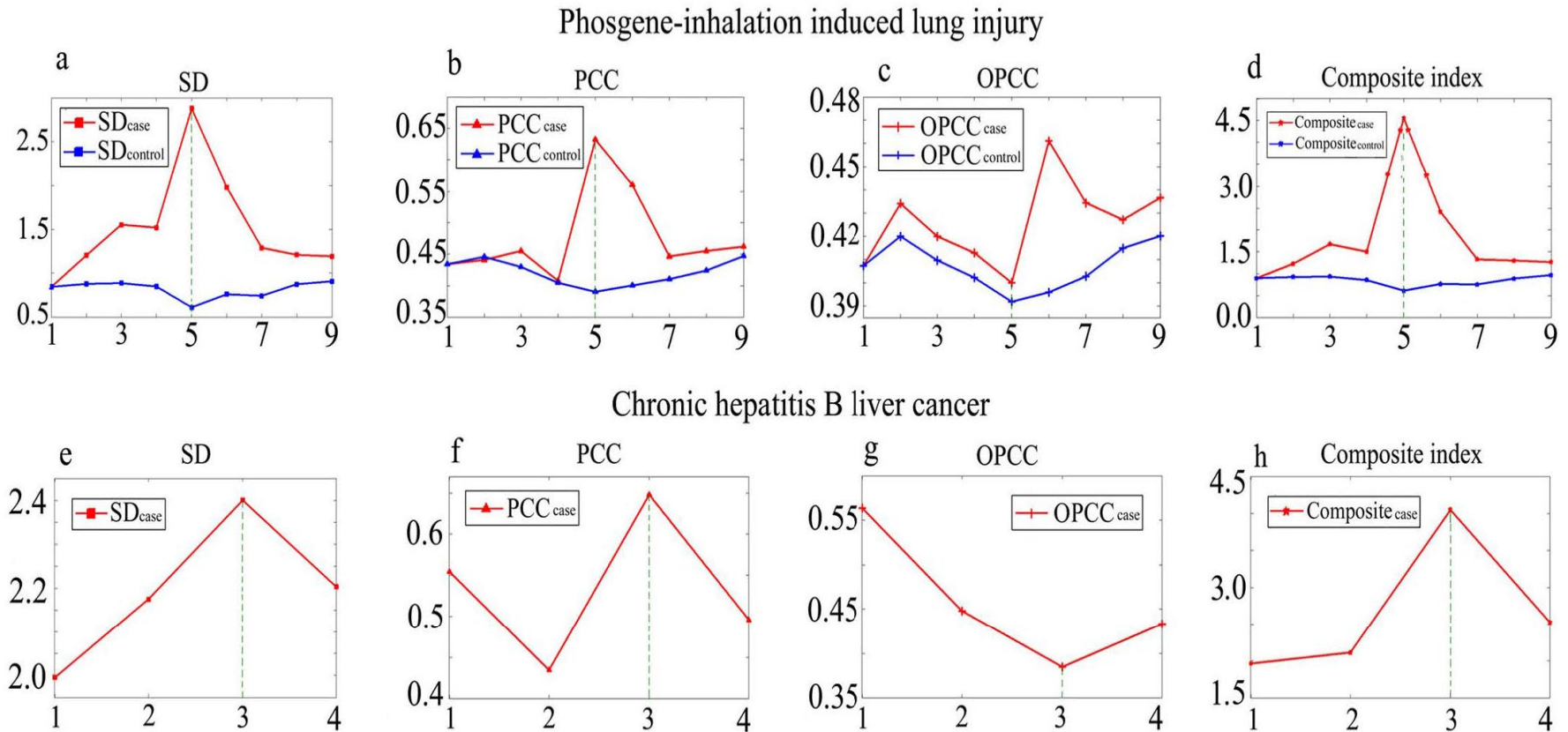
(Chen et al., Sci. Rep., 2:342, 2012)

# Three Diseases

- Acute Lung Injury Mouse
- Liver Cancer (HBV, HCV) Human
- Lymph Cancer Human

*Chen, et al., Scientific Reports, 2, 342, 2012*  
*Liu, et al., Scientific Reports, 2, 813, 2012*  
*Liu, et al., Medicinal Research Reviews, 2013*

# Application: prediction of lung injury and liver cancer(from hepatitis to cirrhosis)

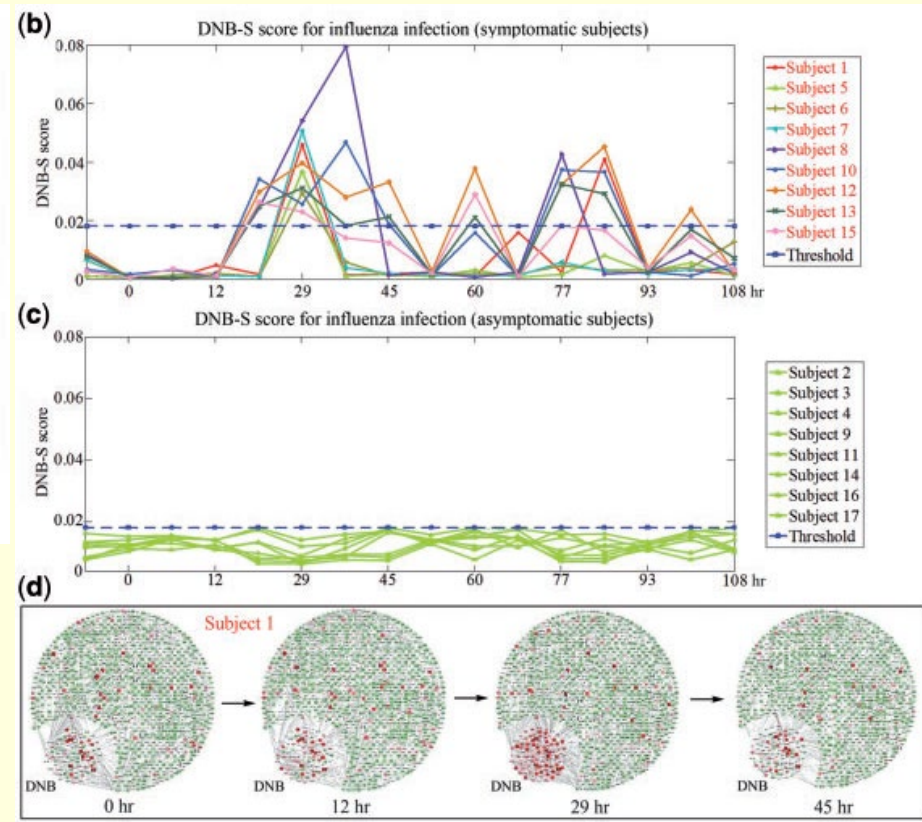
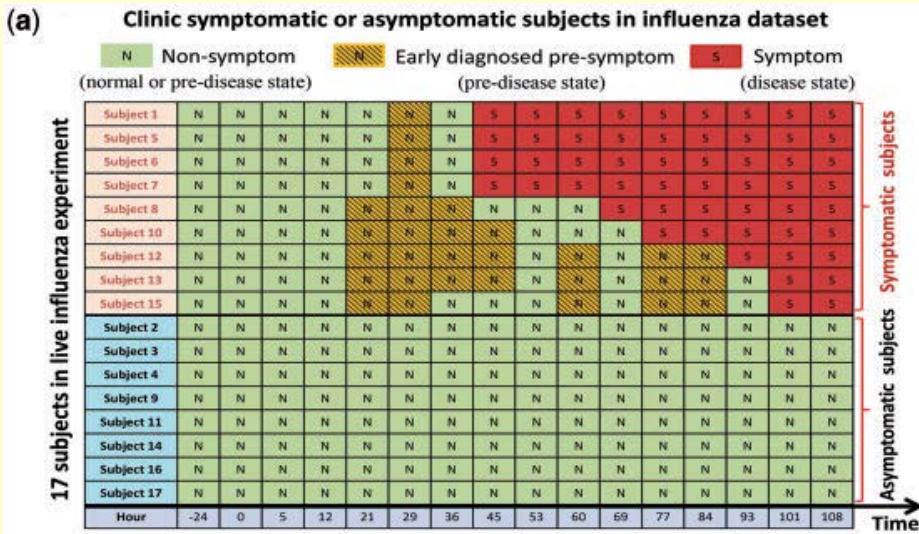


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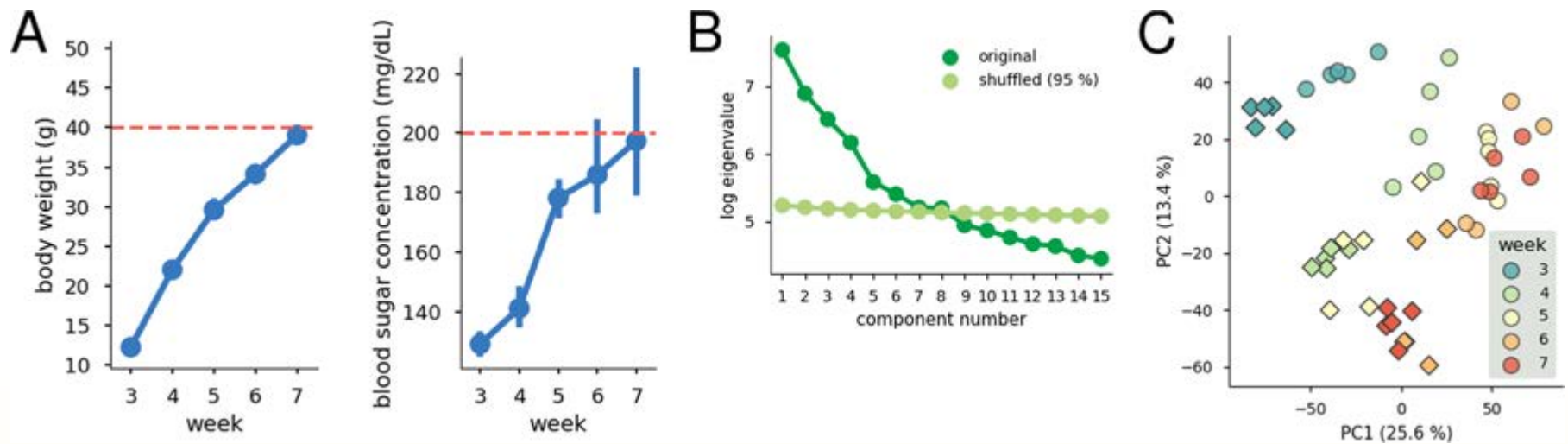


17 healthy human volunteers received intranasal inoculation of flu H3N2(Huang et al, PLoS Genetics, 2011).

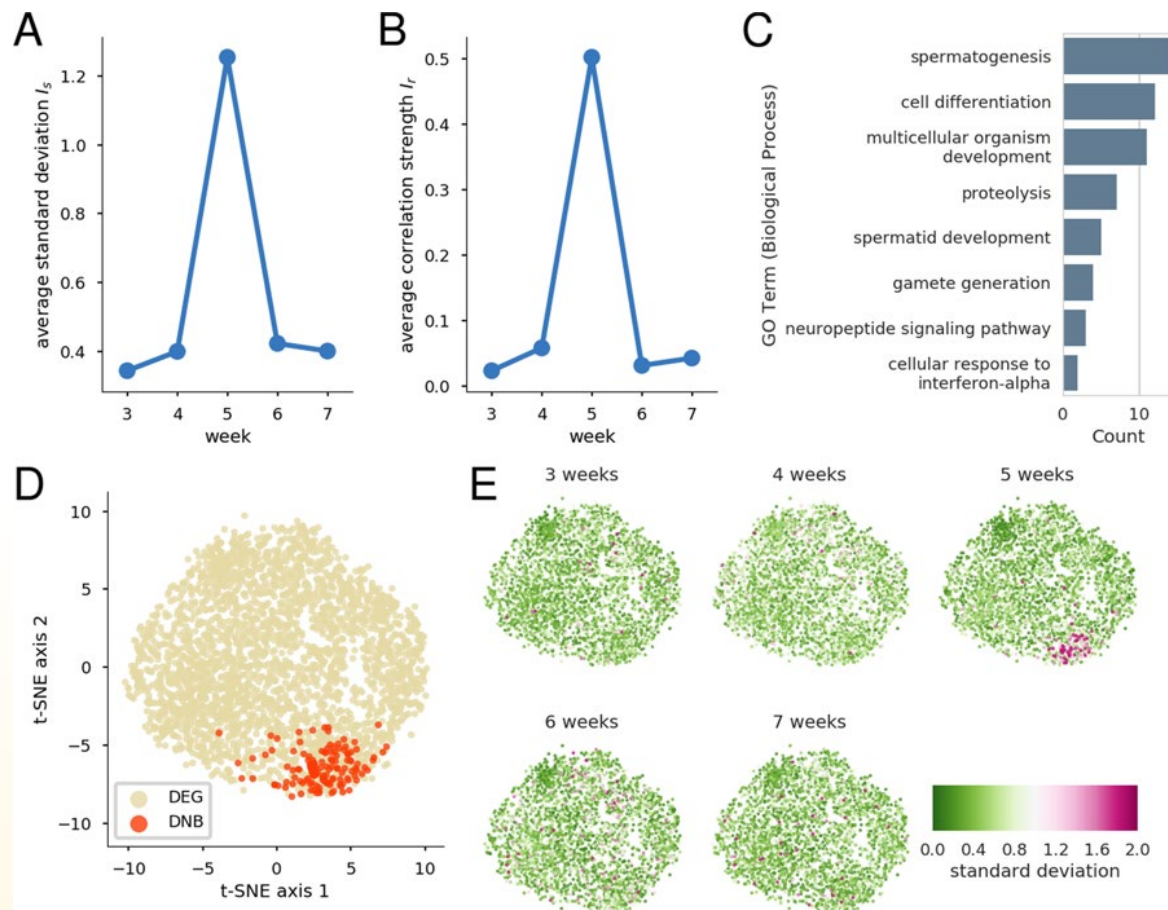
Gene-expression profiles of peripheral blood were analysed by DNB.



**Fig. 4.** Identifying the pre-disease state for live influenza infection of 17 humans based on a single sample. We demonstrate early diagnosis of live influenza infection in 17 humans using a real biomedical dataset. (a) The clinic symptoms (S) and non-symptoms (N) at different time points among the 17 subjects with live influenza infection based on real clinic tests. (b)-(c) show the DNB-S scores of nine single-sample symptomatic subjects (humans) and eight asymptomatic subjects (humans) for influenza infection resulting from H3N2 virus. The pre-disease states or presymptom for influenza infection occurred around 29 h (i.e. 29, 36 and 45 h), whereupon the DNB-S scores became respectively higher than the threshold shown in (b). All symptomatic subjects were correctly identified before the clinical diagnosis of the disease state (b), whereas all asymptomatic subjects showed no signals of the pre-disease states and were also correctly classified (c). (d) The dynamic changes in the molecular network of a single-sample subject (Subject 1) at 0, 12, 29 and 45 h (sliding window) with the corresponding DNB, where the color of the nodes represents the fluctuation strength of molecular expressions, and each edge represents the correlation between two nodes. It can be seen that at 29 h, there is a strong signal to indicate the pre-disease state or pre-symptom



Body weights, blood sugar concentrations, and PCA of the transcriptome data. (A) Body weights and blood sugar concentrations measured from TSOD mice. Error bars show 95% confidence intervals. Red dashed lines show the suggested thresholds for defining obesity in TSOD mice (body weight  $\geq 40$  g) and prediabetes in rodents (blood glucose level  $\geq 200$  mg/dL). (B) Scree plot of the largest 15 components. The number of meaningful PCs is estimated to be the number of eigenvalues calculated from the original transcriptome data larger than the 95 percentiles of eigenvalues calculated from shuffled data. For more details, see Dimensionality reduction in Materials and Methods. © PCA plot of the transcriptome of TSOD mice (circles) and TSNO mice (diamonds). The numbers in parentheses denote explained variance ratios corresponding to each PC. Regarding results of other meaningful components, see Supplementary Fig. S1. PC: principal component.



Characteristics of 147 DNB genes. (A) The average standard deviation  $I_s$ . (B) The average correlation strength  $I_r$ . (C) Enriched GO annotations. No KEGG pathway was enriched in the DNB genes. (D) A t-SNE plot of the union set of the DNB genes and 2665 DEGs. The overlapping genes were colored as DNB genes. For more details, see Dimensionality reduction in Materials and Methods. (E) Spatio-temporal fluctuation patterns of the DNB genes and DEGs. The color scale shows the standard deviation.

Once disease occurs, difficult to be cured



《黄帝内经》 紀元前221年

《Yellow Emperor's Medicine》 221 BC

上医治未病， 中医治欲病， 下医治已病

the best doctor  
treats  
diseases that have  
not occurred

the better doctor  
treats  
occurring diseases

the inferior doctor  
treats  
diseases that have  
occurred.

Qualitative Concept → Quantitative Indexes

Early diagnosis by  
dynamical network biomarkers

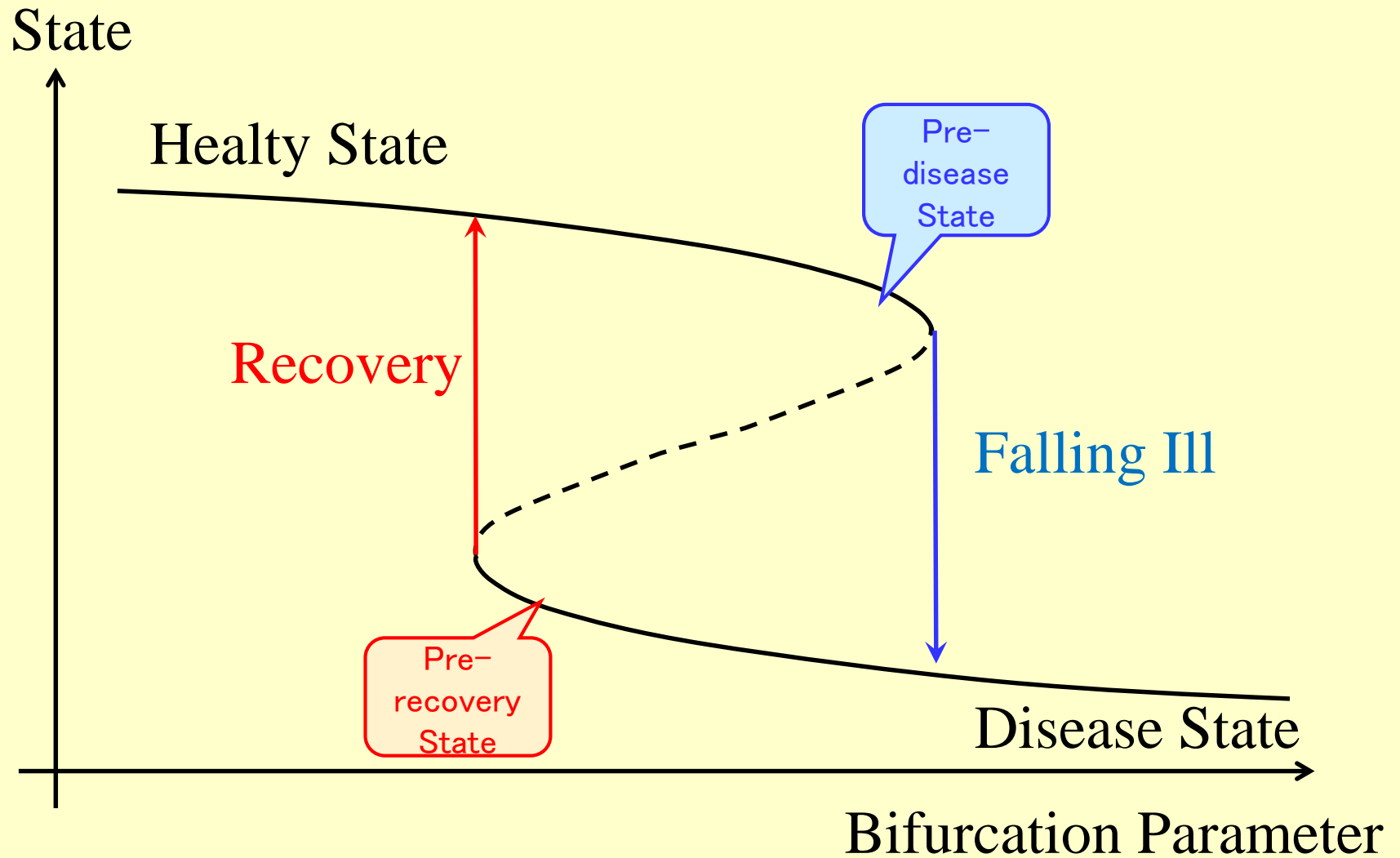


**DNB:**

Common Components

+

Individual Components



## Two Applications of DNB Theory

# Conclusion

- Harness of High-Dimensional Data for Detecting Early-Warning Signals of State Transitions like Complex Diseases.