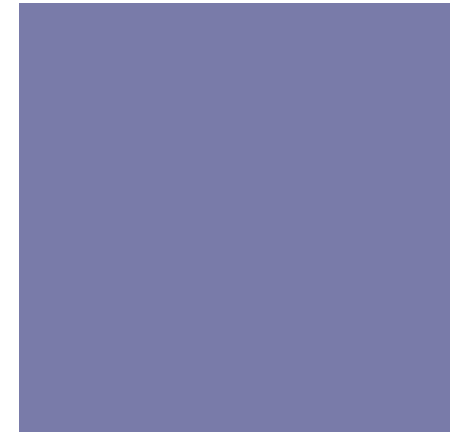




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The diachrony of polysemy networks

The semantic extension of time-related lexemes in Ancient Greek and Ancient Egyptian

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- Adding a diachronic dimension to the semantic map
 - The database of semantic shifts
 - What does the Ancient Greek and Ancient Egyptian diachronic material bring into the picture?

■ Conclusions

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- Cognitive and cultural motivations for semantic extensions



Introduction

Introducing 'Le Diasema' and
the distinction between polysemy networks and semantic maps

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- Duration: December 2016 – December 2018
- Main research question: how semantic maps make significant predictions about language change at the lexical level?
- Funding schemes



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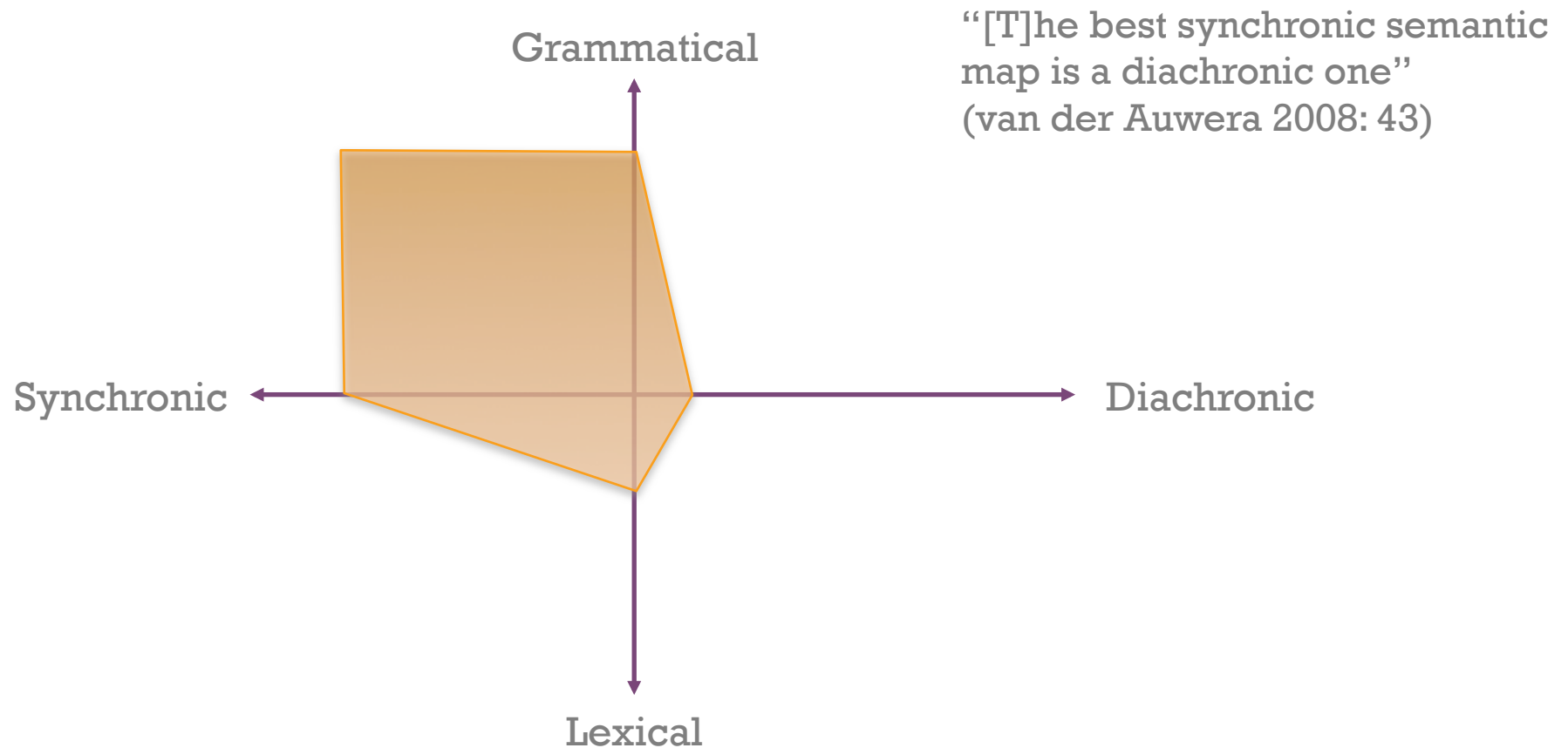


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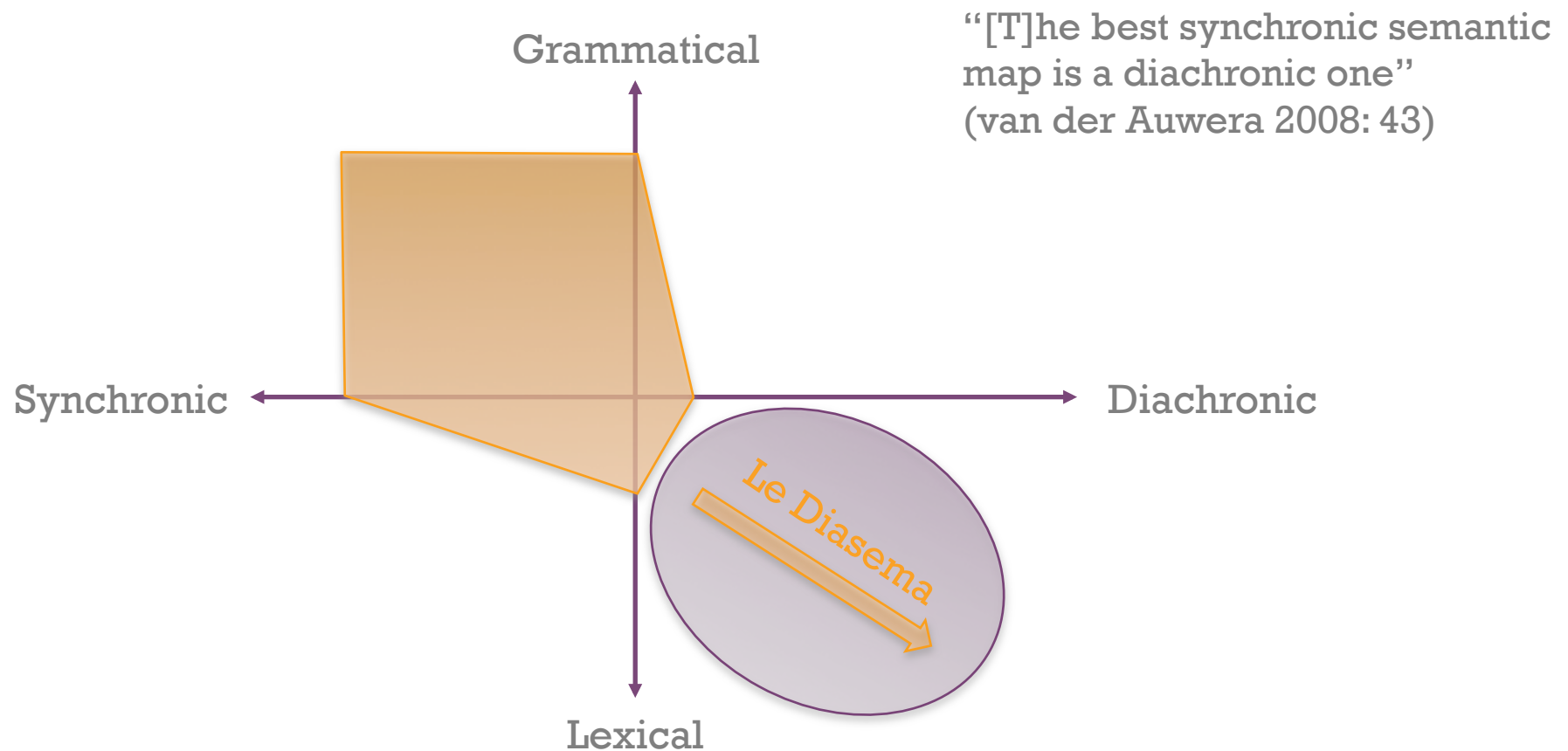
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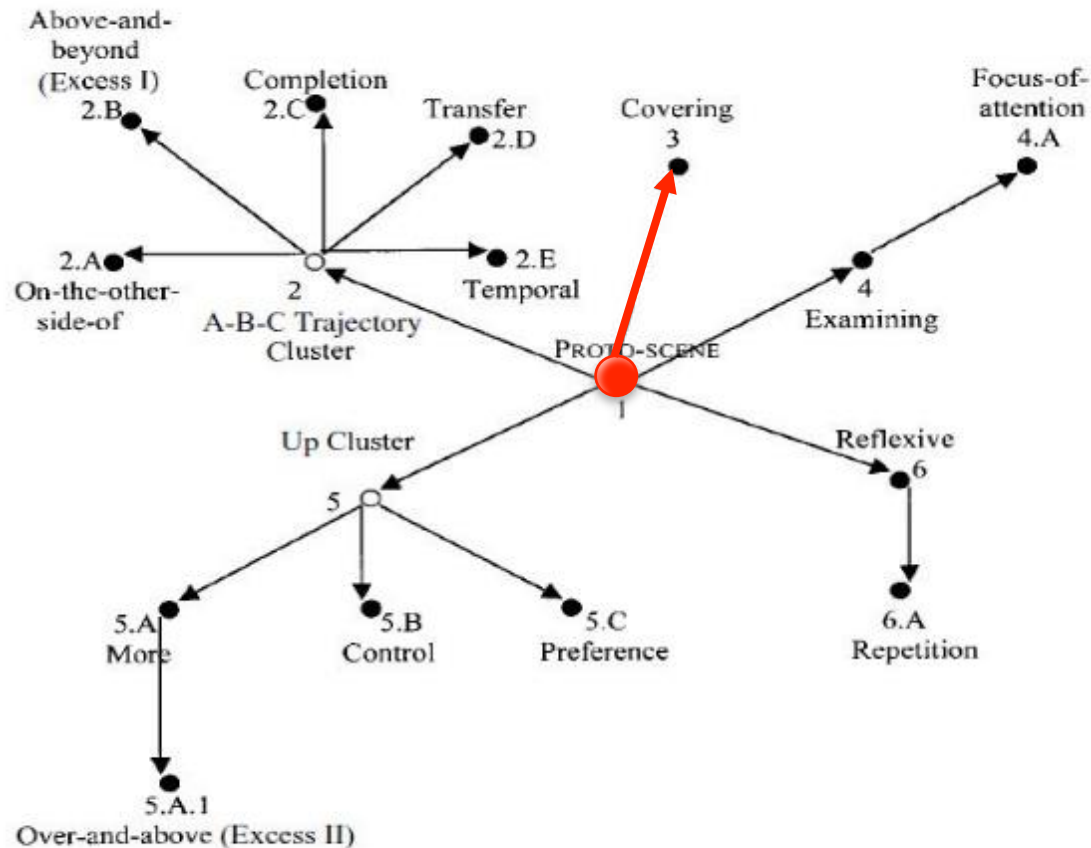


Fig. 1. The polysemic radial network for *over* (Tyler & Evans 2003: 80)

- There is a **prototypical meaning** from which other senses are derived in radial fashion.
- The **arrow** shows derivation of a sense from another sense (not directionality)
- The **semasiological** approach is mainly adopted
- They are designed to have **language-specific** validity (but rely on established principles of language processing)

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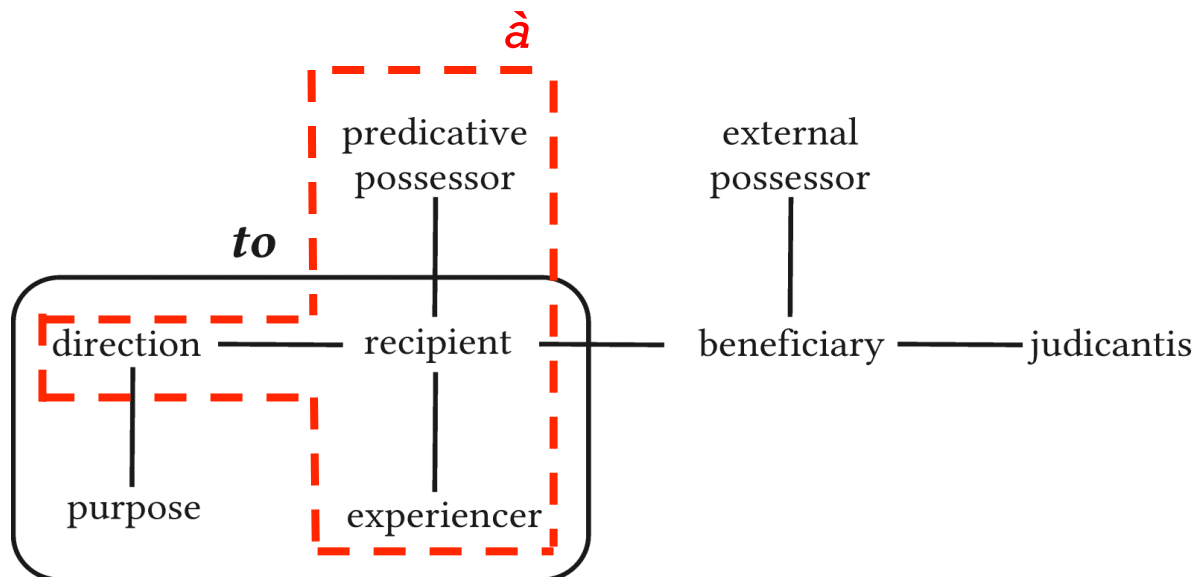


Fig. 3. A semantic map of typical dative functions / the boundaries of English *to* and French *à* (based on Haspelmath 2003: 213, 215)

- They do not require the identification of a **prototypical** sense. One may choose a single meaning as a pivot
- They combine the **onomasiological** and the **semasiological** perspective
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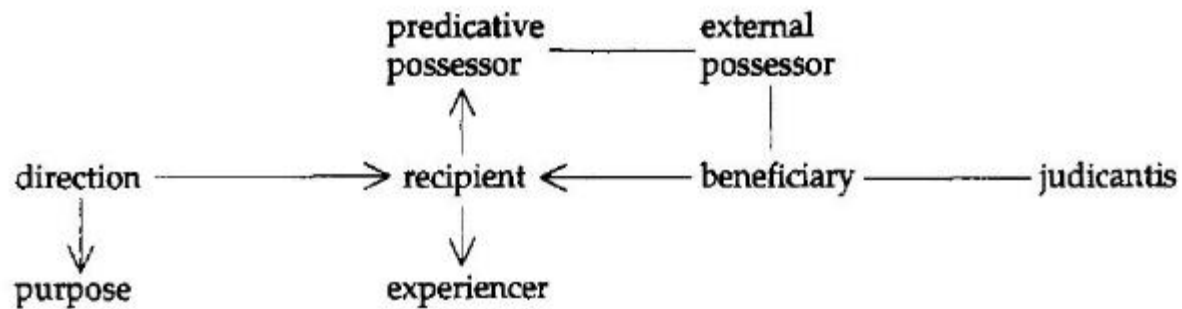
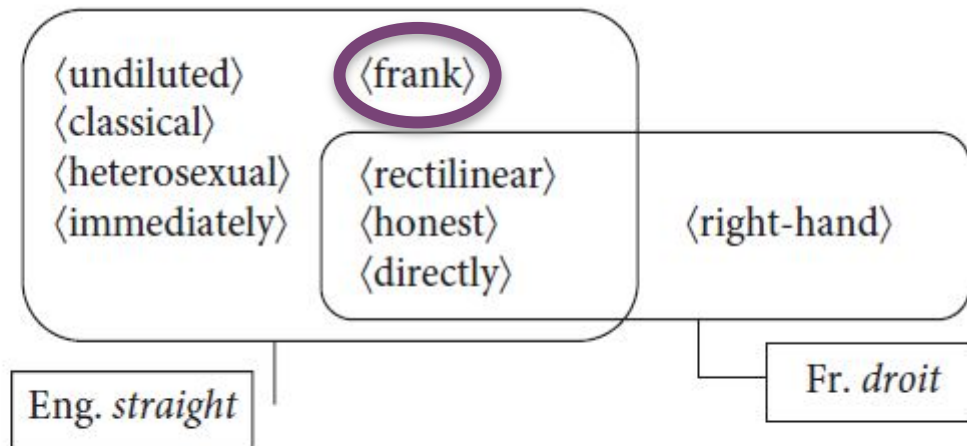


Fig. 4. Dynamicized semantic map of dative functions
(Haspelmath 2003: 234)

- The **arrows** do designate directionality of change

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Fig. 5. Overlapping polysemies: Eng. straight vs. Fr. droit.
 (François 2008: 167)



+ The semantic extension of
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Inferring a semantic map based
on cross-linguistic colexification patterns



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Plotting a synchronic semantic map

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 - DAY/DAYTIME
 - NIGHT
 - YEAR

THE TEST VOCABULARY

The lexical test list used for studying rate of change consisted of 215 items of meaning expressed for convenience by English words. In some cases, where the English word is ambiguous or where the English meaning is too broad to be easily matched in other languages, it is necessary to specify which meaning is intended, and this is done by means of parenthetical additions. If it is understood that normal everyday meanings rather than figurative or specialized usages are to be thought of, complicated notes are not necessary. The list, minus 15 items recommended for omission and with one other change, is as follows:

all (of a number), and, animal, ashes, at, back (person's), bad (deleterious or unsuitable), bark (of tree), because, belly, berry (or fruit), big, bird, to bite, black, blood, to blow (of wind), bone, breathe, to burn (intrans.).

child (young person rather than as relationship term), cloud, cold (of weather), to come, to count, to cut, day (opposite of night rather than time measure), to die, to dig, dirty, dog, to drink, dry (substance), dull (knife), dust, ear, earth (soil), to eat, egg, eye.

to fall (drop rather than topple), far, fat (organic substance), father, to fear, feather (larger feathers rather than down), few, to fight, fire, fish, five, to float, to flow, flower, to fly, fog, foot, four, to freeze, to give.

good, grass, green, guts, hair, hand, he, head, to hear, heart, heavy, here, to hit, to hold (in hand), how, to hunt (game), husband, I, ice, if,

in, to kill, to know (facts), lake, to laugh, leaf, left (hand), leg, to lie (on side), to live, long, louse, man (male human), many, meat (flesh), mother, mountain, mouth, name.

narrow, near, neck, new, night, nose, not, old, one, other, person, to play, to pull, to push, to rain, red, right (correct), right (hand), river, road (or trail).

root, rope, rotten (especially log), to rub, salt, sand, to say, to scratch (as with fingernails to relieve itch), sea (ocean), to see, seed, to sew, sharp (as knife), shirt, to sing, to sit, skin (person's), sky, to sleep, small.

to smell (perceive odor), smoke (of fire), smooth, snake, snow, some, to spit, to split, to squeeze, to stab (or stick), to stand, star, stick (of wood), stone, straight, to suck, sun, to swell, to swim, tail.

that, there, they, thick, thin, to think, this, thou, three, to throw, to tie, tongue, tooth (front rather than molar), tree, to turn (change one's direction), two, to vomit, to walk, warm (of weather), to wash, water, we, wet, what? when? where? white, who? wide, wife, wind, wing, to win, with (accompanying), woman, woods, worm, yes, year, yellow.

day

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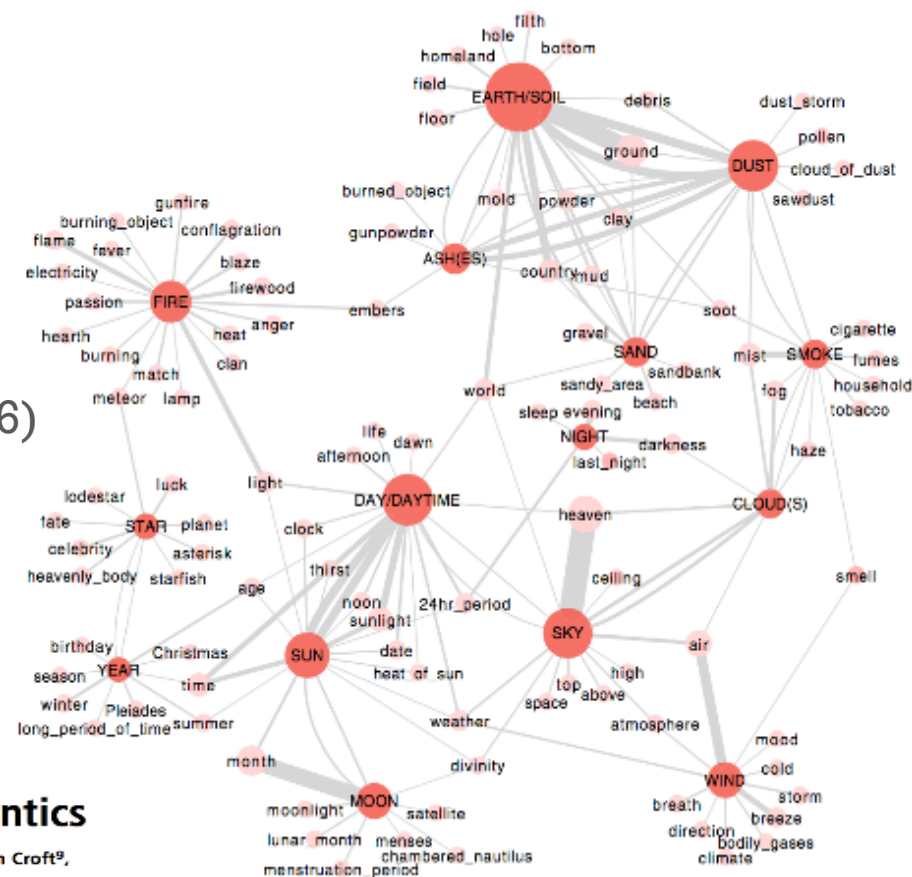
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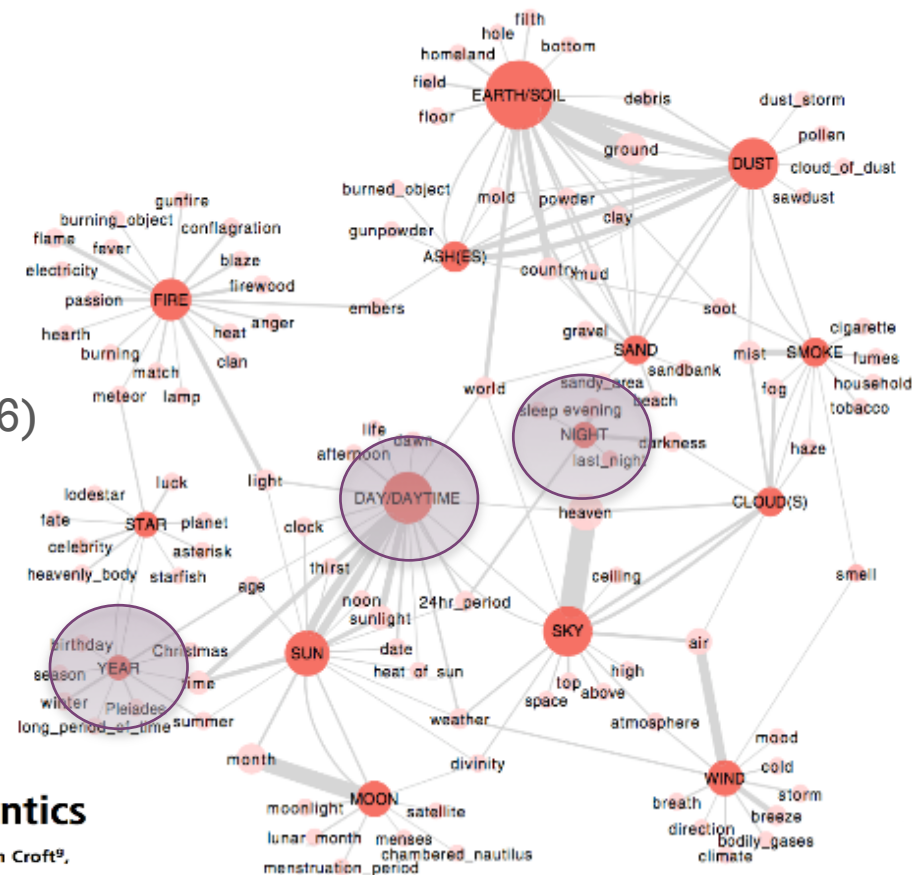
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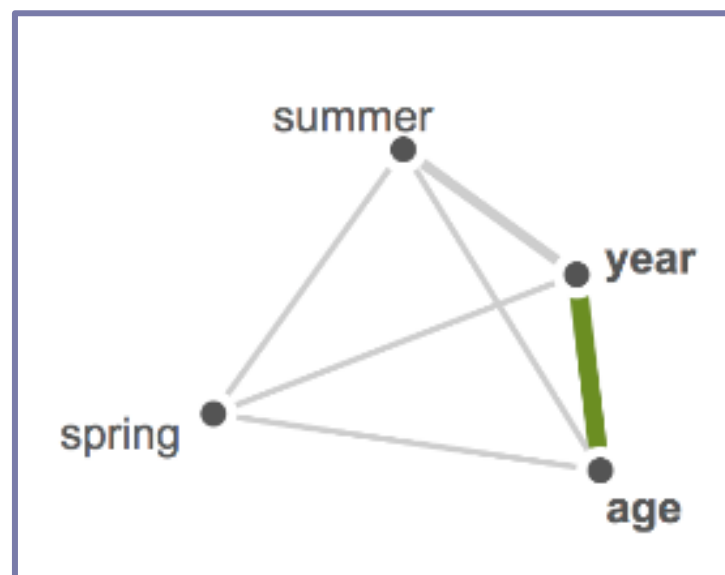
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- We identified in the database of Crosslinguistic Colexifications (CLICs; <http://clics.lingpy.org/main.php>; List et al. 2014) the main polysemy patterns attested for these three meanings (subgraph approach) [16 meanings]
 - **DAY/DAYTIME:** CLOCK/TIMEPIECE, HOUR, SEASON, SUN, TIME, WEATHER
 - **NIGHT:** DARK (in color), DARKNESS, BLACK, OBSCURE
 - **YEAR:** AGE, SPRING, SUMMER





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	A	B	C
119	day	afternoon	hau_std:rana//ket_std:i?//plj_std:piidi//rus_std:den//tli_std:yakyee
120	day	again	kha_std:ngi
121	day	age	gui_std:ara//yad_std:hnda
122	day	anger	tzz_std:k'ak'al
123	day	bright	tzz_std:k'ak'al
124	day	clock, timepiece	gue_std:wuringarn//sei_std:šā?
125	day	cloud	haw_std:ao
126	day	country	cbr_std:niti//shp_std:niti
127	day	dawn	haw_std:ao//waw_std:enmari
128	day	doubt	haw_std:lā
129	day	earth, land	cag_std:natu//haw_std:ao//mri_std:ao//tzz_std:osil
130	day	east	tob_std:naʔaʔk
131	day	fever	tzz_std:k'ak'al
132	day	fin (dorsal)	haw_std:lā
133	day	fire	jpn_std:hi
134	day	go	ole_std:pa//oym_std:aa
135	day	go away, depart	ole_std:pa
136	day	hour	sap_Standard:aknim//shb_std:thəm
137	day	lamp, torch	ito_std:uwayo
138	day	lick	cmn_std:tian
139	day	light (in color)	mri_std:ao
140	day	light (noun)	con_std:aʔta//crt_std:xloma//haw_std:ao//hdn_Northern:ʔkatʔkāa//ito_std:uwayo//mzt
141	day	live, living, life	shp_std:niti
142	day	Monday	shp_std:niti
143	day	morning	crt_std:xloma//guq_std:kreibu
144	day	noon, midday	ind_std:siang//plj_std:piidi



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Tmap = [Tsenses]
for t in Tclean:
    split_langWord = t[2].split('/')
    for couple in split_langWord:
        langWord = couple.split(':')
        line = [langWord[0], langWord[1]]
        for i in range(2, len(Tsenses)):
            line.append('0')
        line[Tsenses.index(t[0])] = '1'
        line[Tsenses.index(t[1])] = '1'
    Tmap.append(line)
```

	A	B	C	D	E	F
1			age	acid, sour	city, town	day
2	yad_std	hnda	1	1	0	1
3	vec_std	edat	1	0	0	0
4	jpn_std	toshi	1	0	1	0
5	gui_std	'ara	1	0	0	1
6	nog_std	йуз	1	0	0	0
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Python script α

Lexical matrix



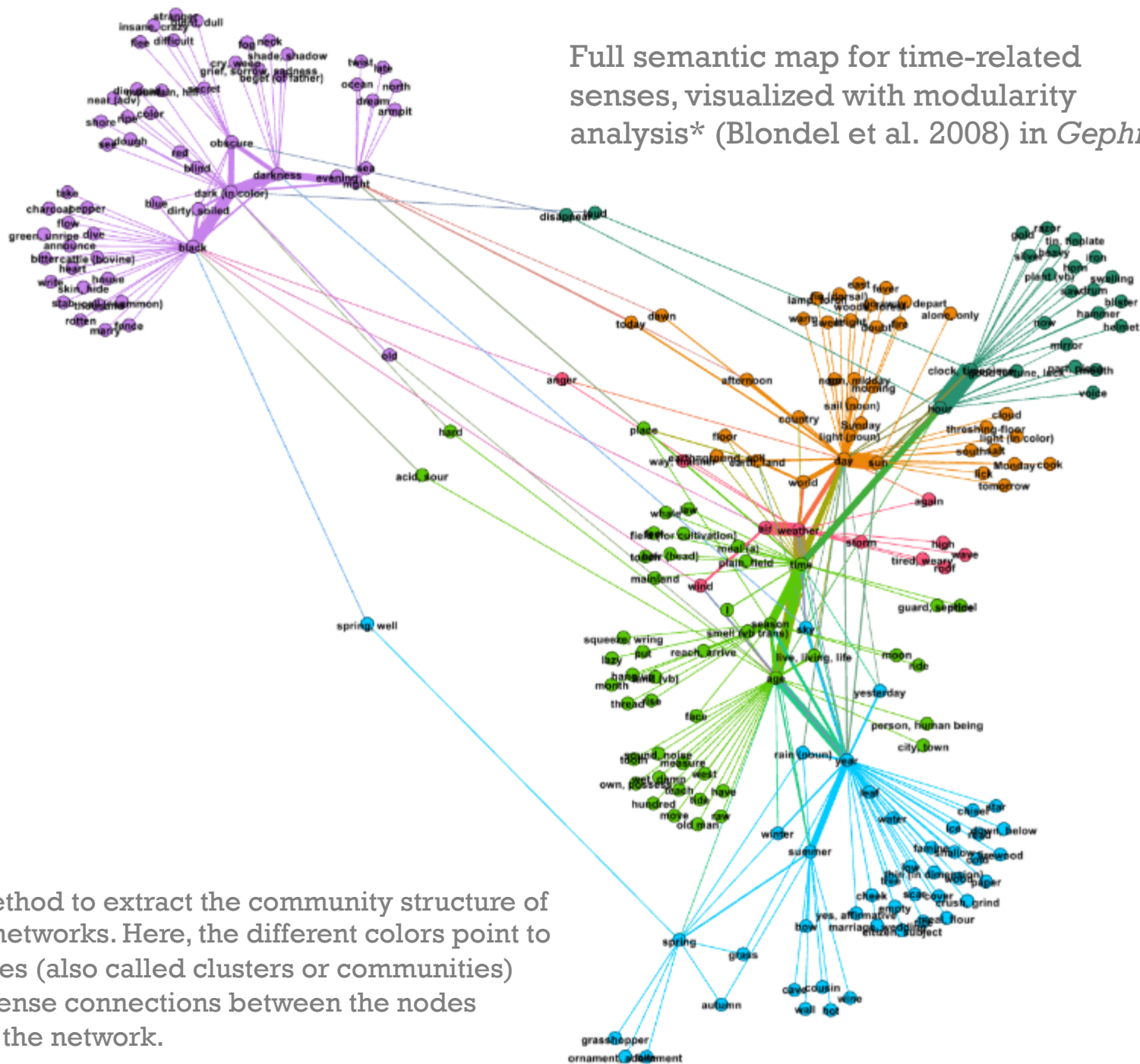
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# CREATE INITIAL GRAPH
# graph G: add each term's nodes, no edges in graph yet.
G = nx.Graph() # create empty graph (undirected)
PossE = [] # list of possible edges, filled below
for t in T:
    # add all nodes in t, if not already in graph
    for n in t:
        if (not G.has_node(n)):
            G.add_node(n)
    # add to PossE a link between each pair of nodes in t
    # adding a link between every node in G is needless and slower
    for pair in allpairs(t):
        u = pair[0]
        v = pair[1]
        if (not ((u,v) in PossE) or ((v,u) in PossE)):
            PossE.append((u,v))
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Python script β



* A method to extract the community structure of large networks. Here, the different colors point to modules (also called clusters or communities) with dense connections between the nodes within the network.



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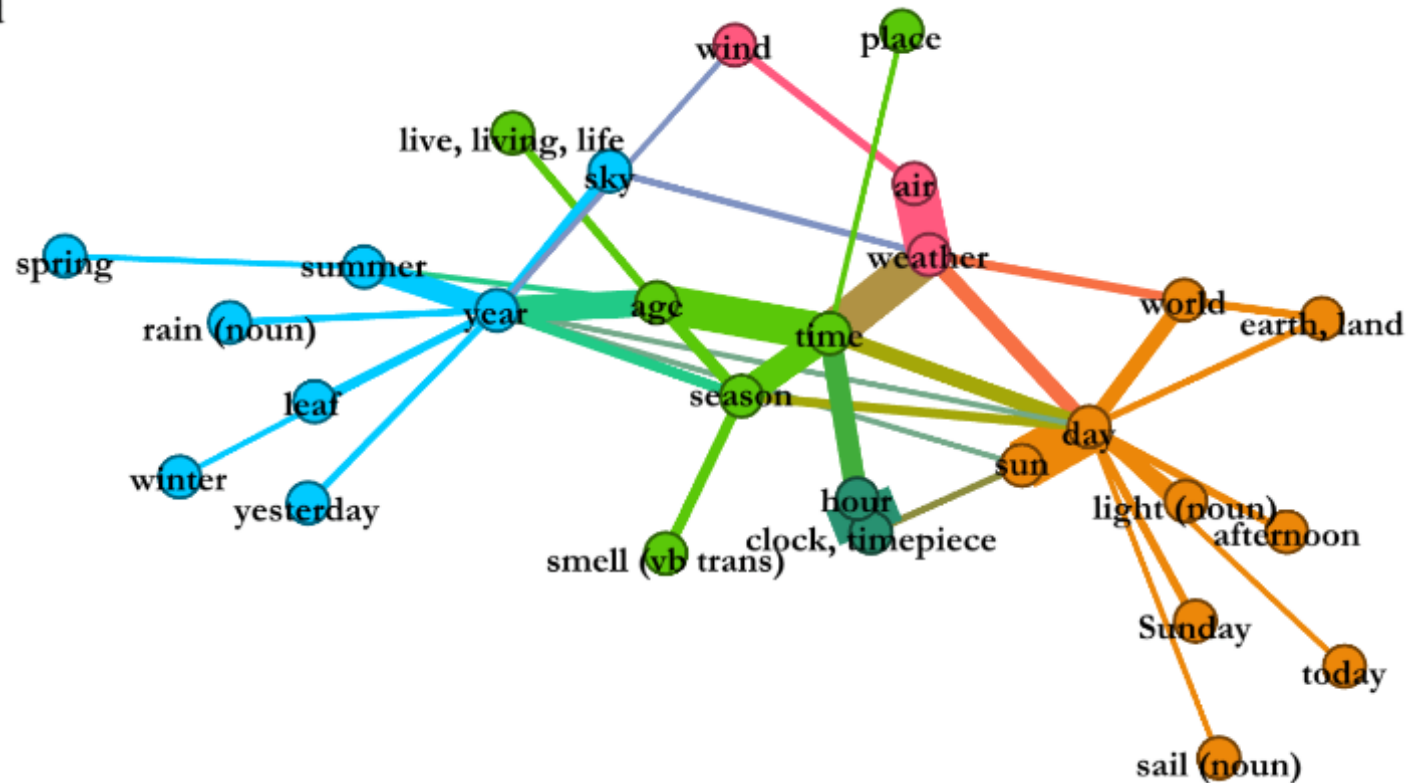
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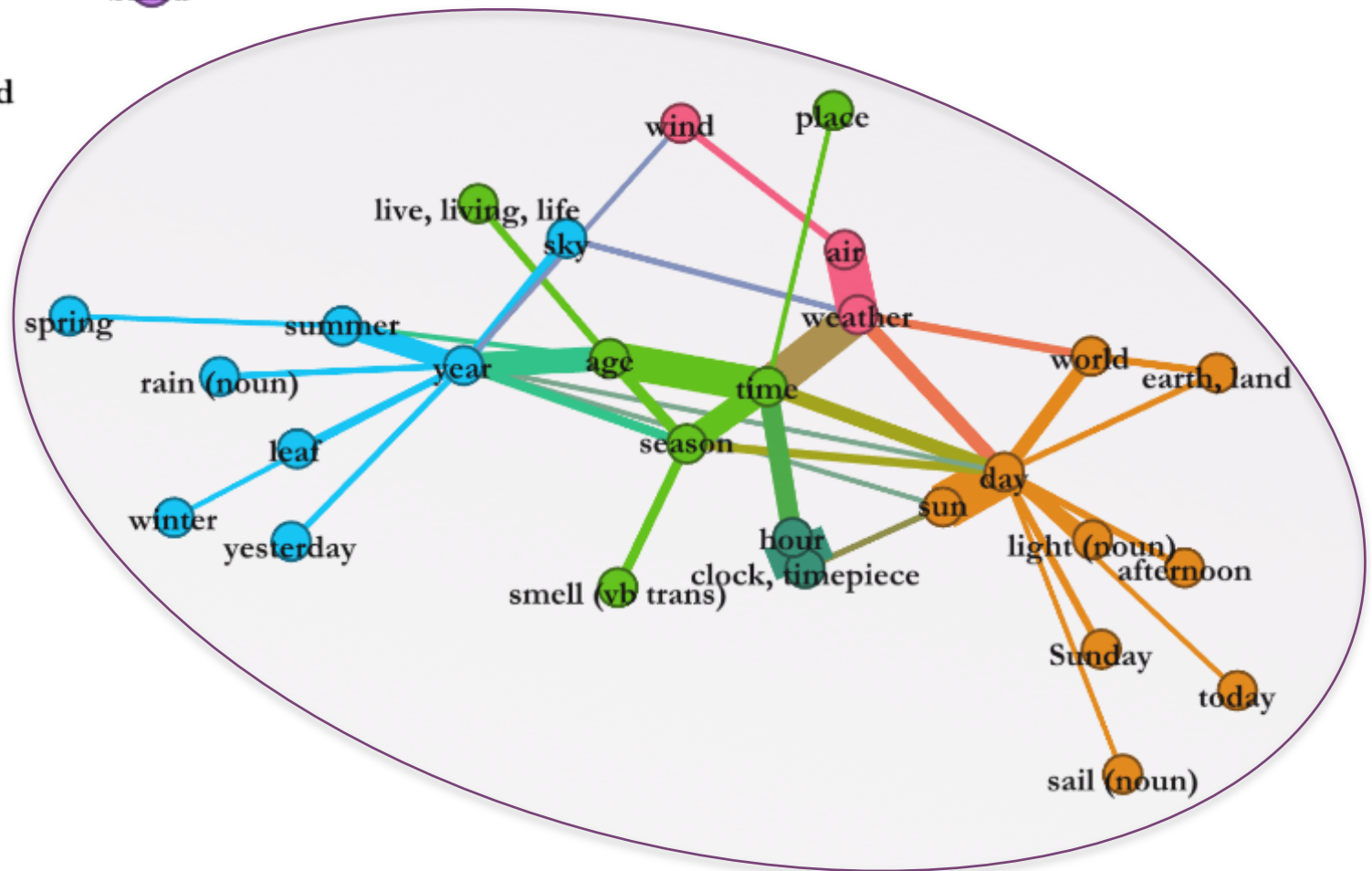




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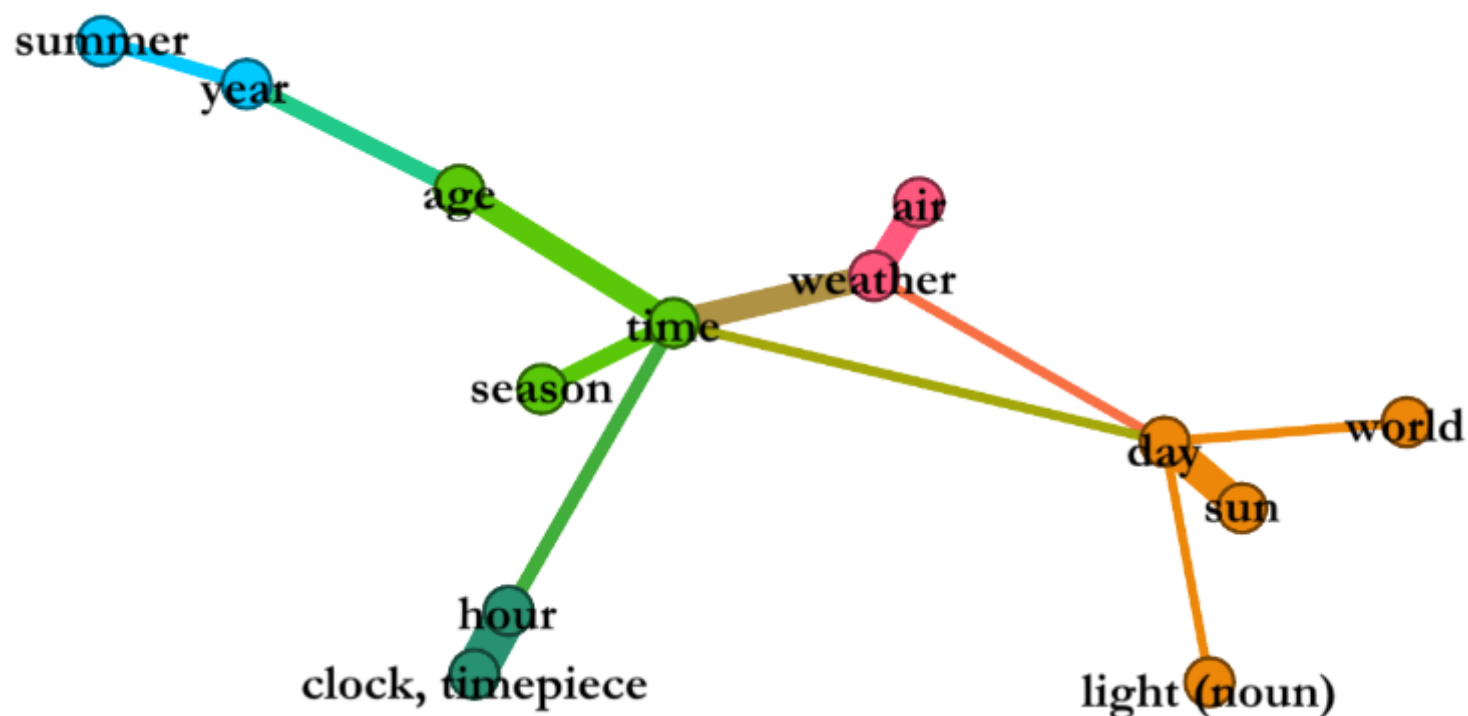
Dynamicizing the map based on diachronic data



The semantic extension of time-related lexemes

Towards a dynamicized semantic map

- In order to investigate directionality of change, 13 meanings that are connected on this map in a least 8 different languages were kept as a basis for diachronic investigation





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Comments:

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Derivation: German *Zeit* → *Zeitung*, *Zeitschrift* 'newspaper, journal'

Derivation: Karaim *вахт* 'time' → *вахтлых* 'journal'

Polysemy: Polish *czas* 'time' — 'journal'



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 - Cunliffe (*A lexicon of the Homeric Dialect*), LSJ
- Ancient Egyptian (26th c. BC – 10th c. AD)
 - Thesaurus Linguae Aegyptiae (<http://aaew.bbaw.de/tla/>)
 - The Ramses corpus (<http://ramses.ulg.ac.be>),
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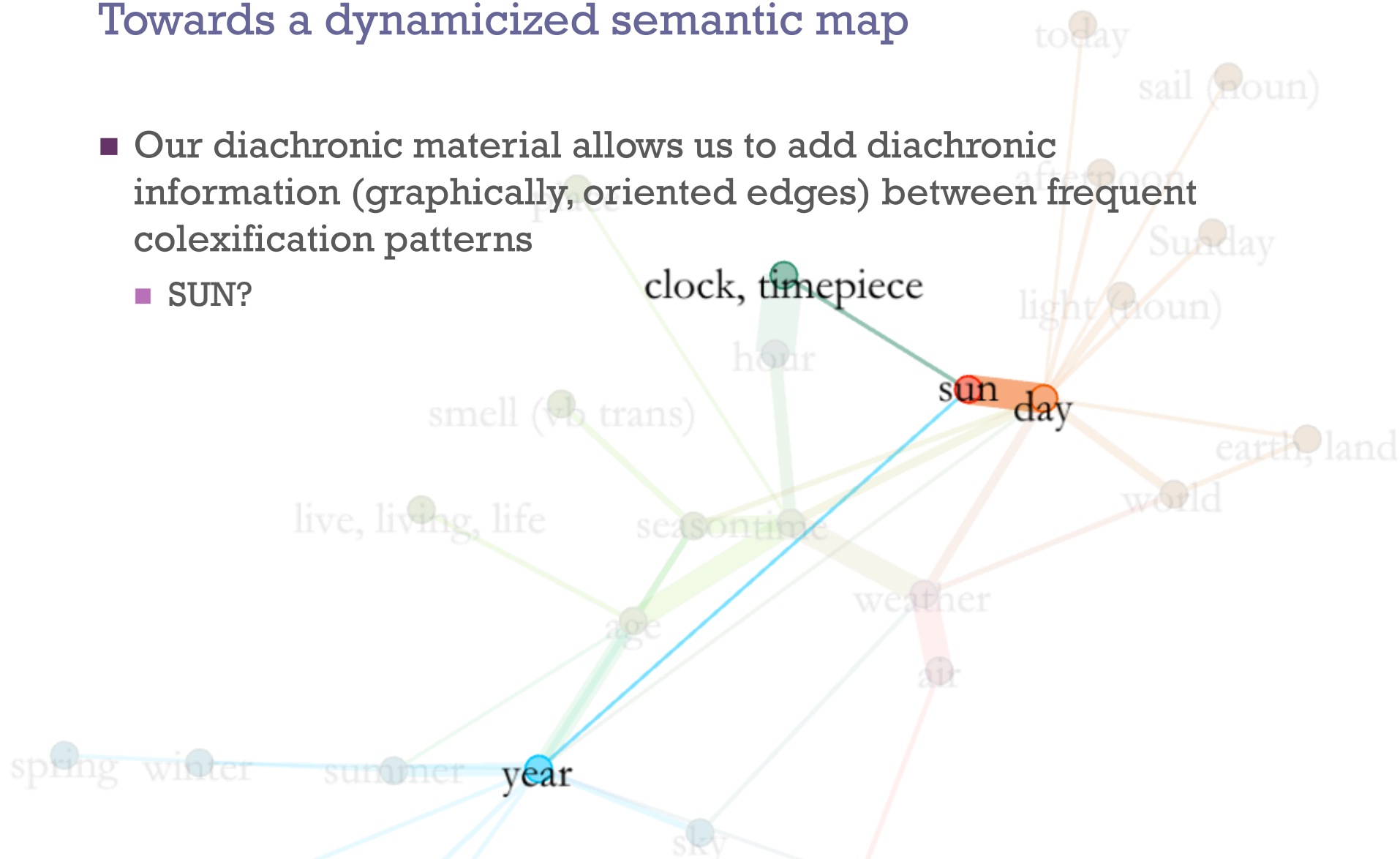
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- SUN?



+ Ancient Greek

hēlios ‘sun’ ⇒ ‘day’

- (1) *pân* *d’ êmar* *pherómēn,* *háma d’*
 whole:ACC.SG.N ptc day:ACC.SG.N carry:IMPF.1PL.M/P ADV PTC
- ēelíōi* *katadúnti* *káppeson en Lémnōi*
 sun:DAT.SG.M set:PTCP.AOR.DAT.SG.M fall:AOR.1PL in Lemnos:DAT.SG

‘the whole day long I was carried headlong, and at **sunset** (lit. the sun setting down) I fell in Lemnos’ (Homer, *Iliad* 1.592-593)

- (2) *ékheis,* *egó* *te sé:* *hēlíous* *dè muríous*
 have:PRS.2SG 1SG.NOM PTC 2SG.ACC sun:ACC.PL.M PTC infinite:ACC.PL.M
- mólis dielthôn* *ēisthomēn* *tà tēs* *theoû*
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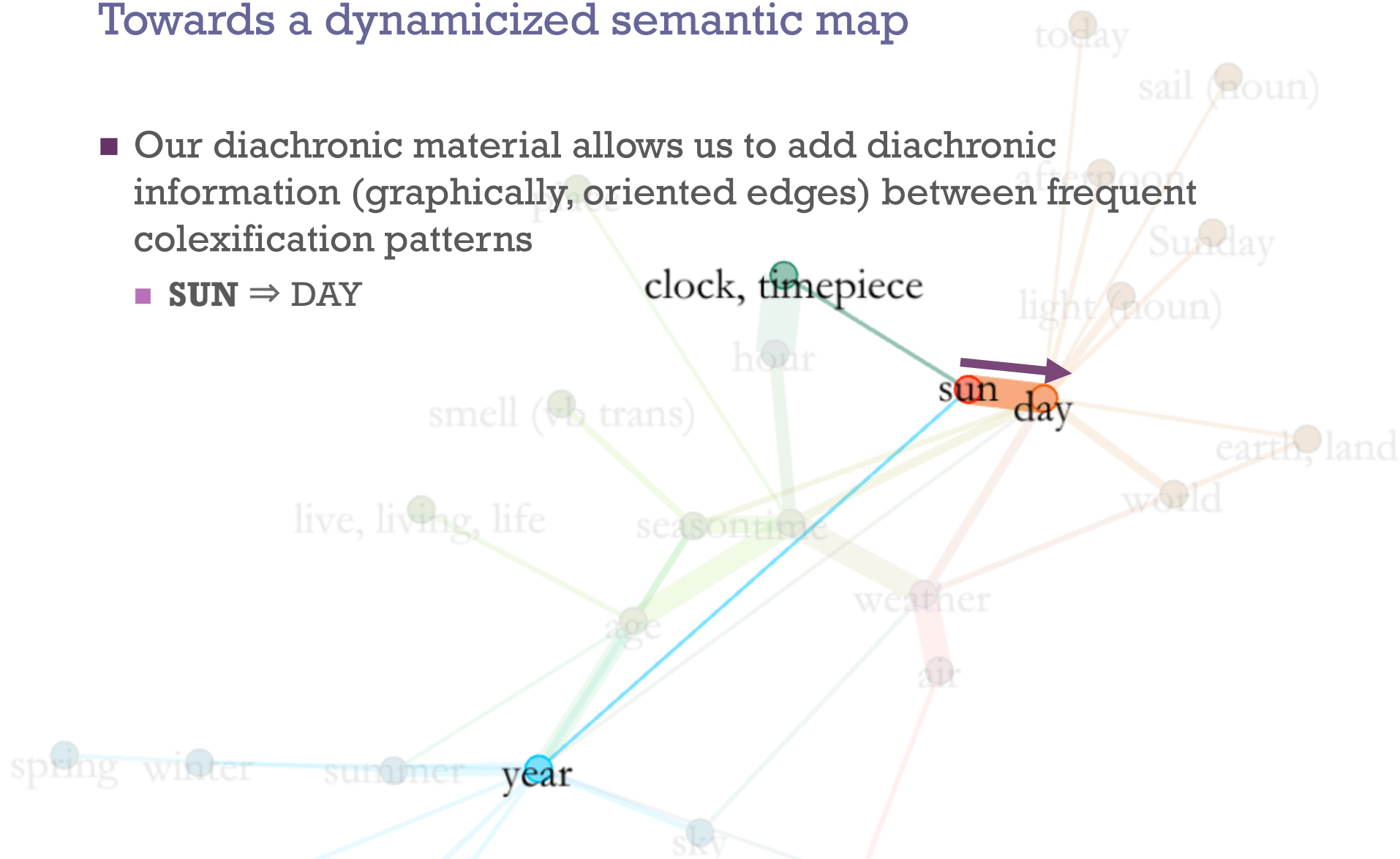
‘You have me, and I have you; although it was hard to live **through so many days**, I now understand the actions of the goddess’ (Euripides, *Helen* 652-653)

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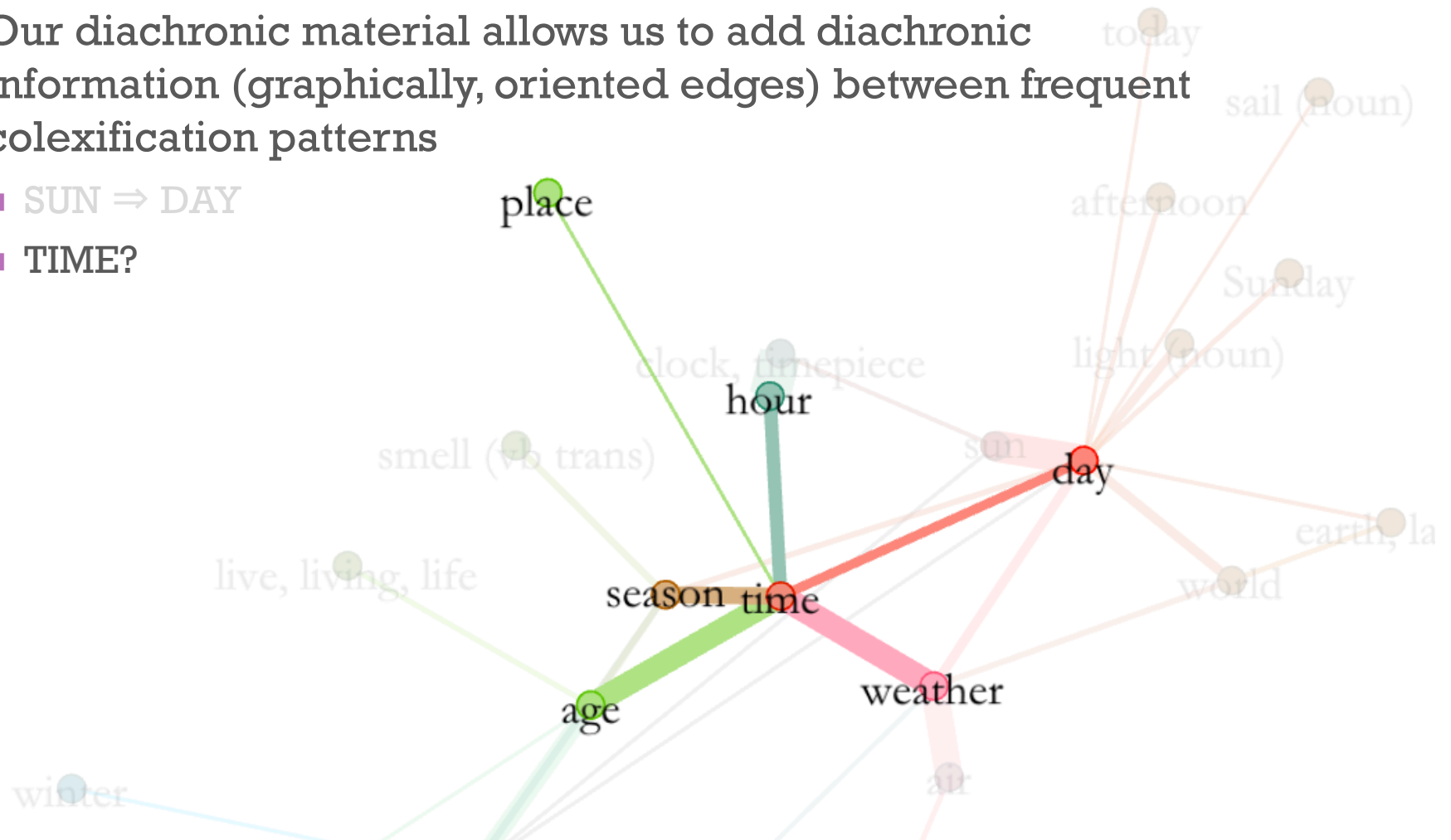
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- TIME?



+ Ancient Egyptian

 *nw* 'hour/moment' ⇒ 'time'



Pyr., §1383b (Spell 556)

(3) *jw* *nw* *pn* *bk3*
 come **hour/moment** DEM.M second_day/tomorrow

'When this **hour/moment** of tomorrow comes, (and this moment/hour of the third day comes, father Osiris Pepi ...)' (= Sethe 1910: 255)



P. Harris 500, v^o 6, 1

(4) *jw-n* *dy* *hr* *ir-t* *nw*
 SBRD-1PL here PROG **do-INF** **time**

'(It's been three full months) that we're here **spending our time** [jumping]' (= *LES* 4,6-7)

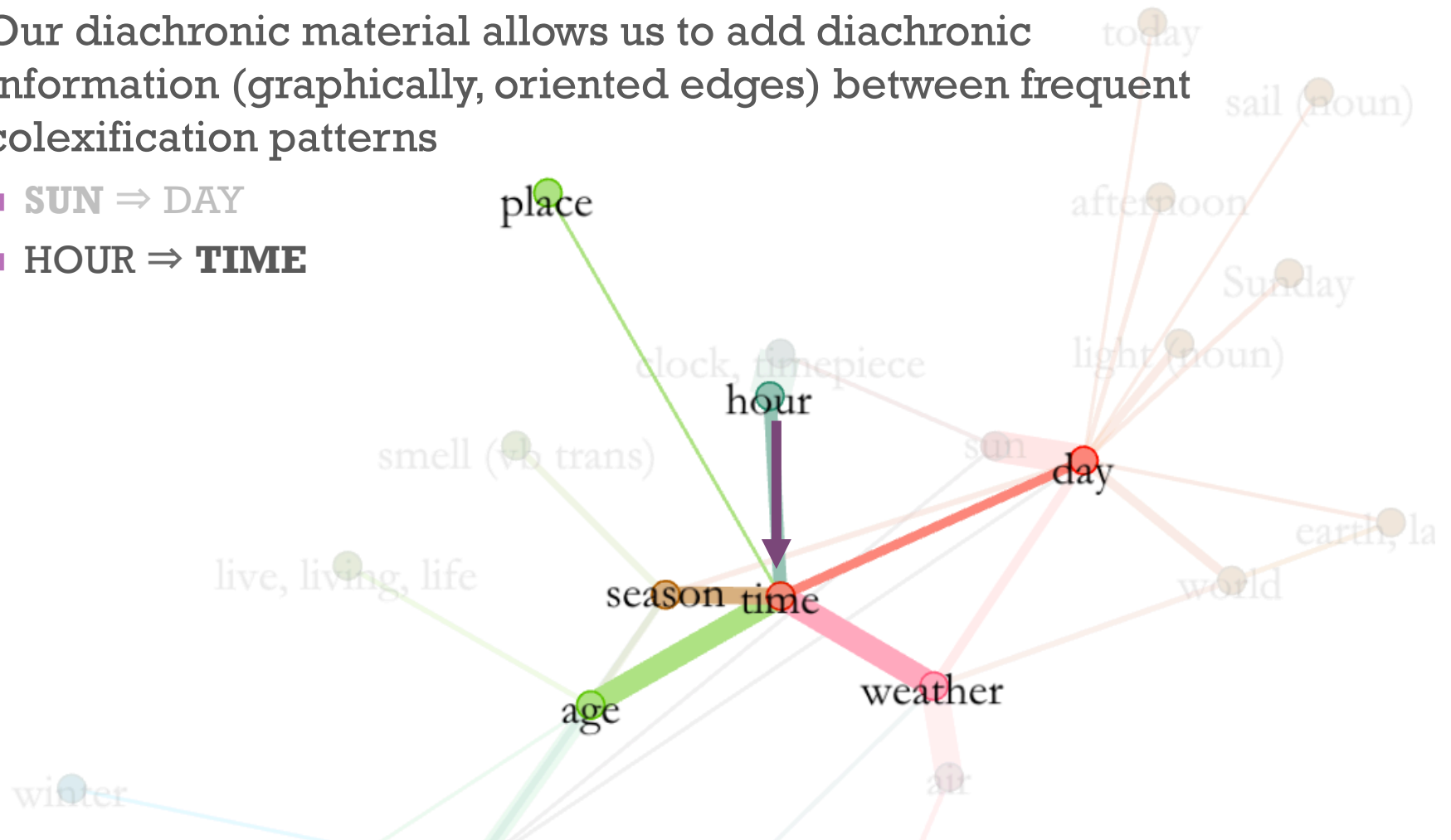
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+ Ancient Egyptian

 *nw* 'hour/moment' ⇒ 'time' ⇒ 'day(light)'



Coptic ΝΔΥ (Crum 1959: 256-257)

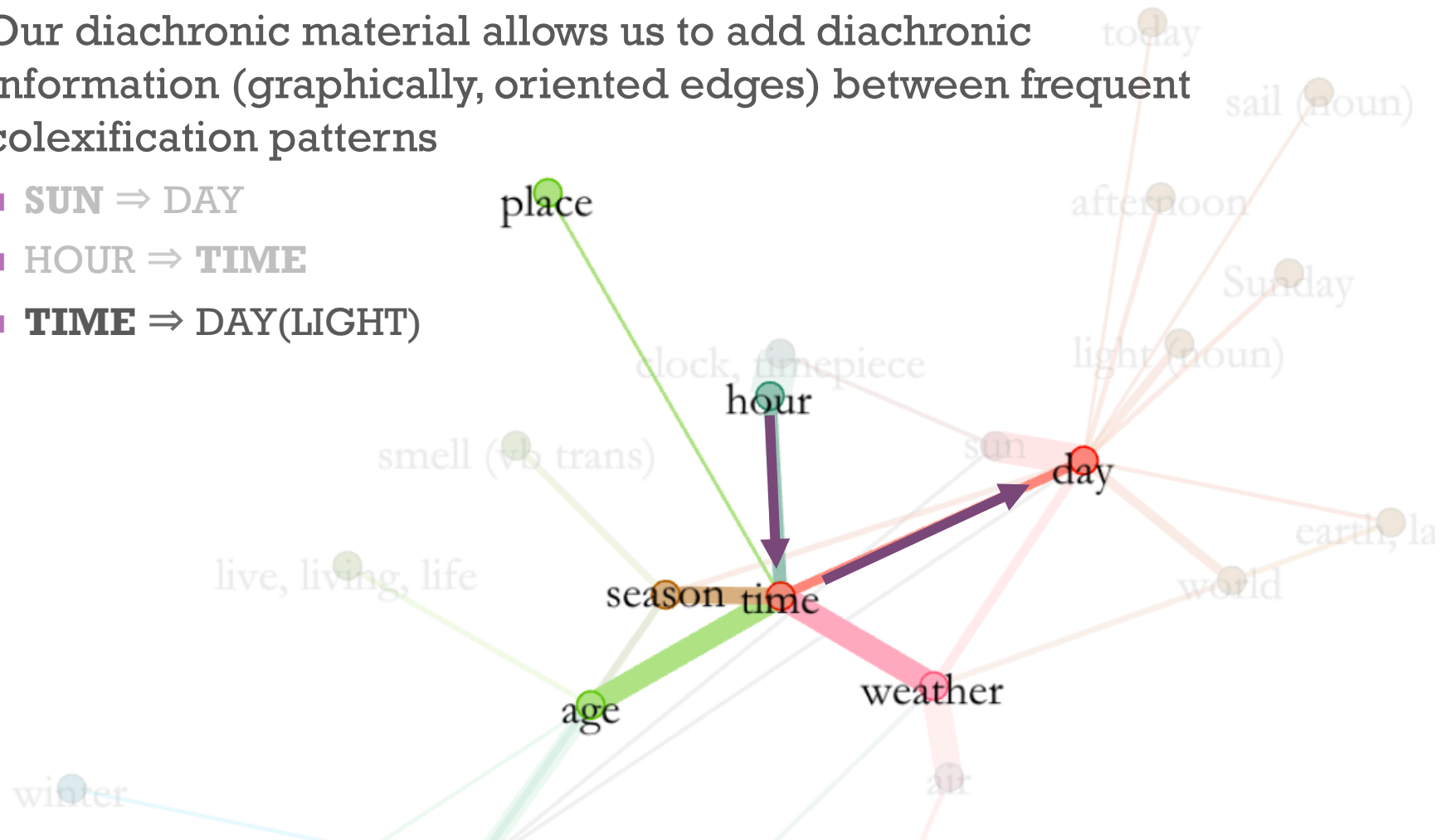
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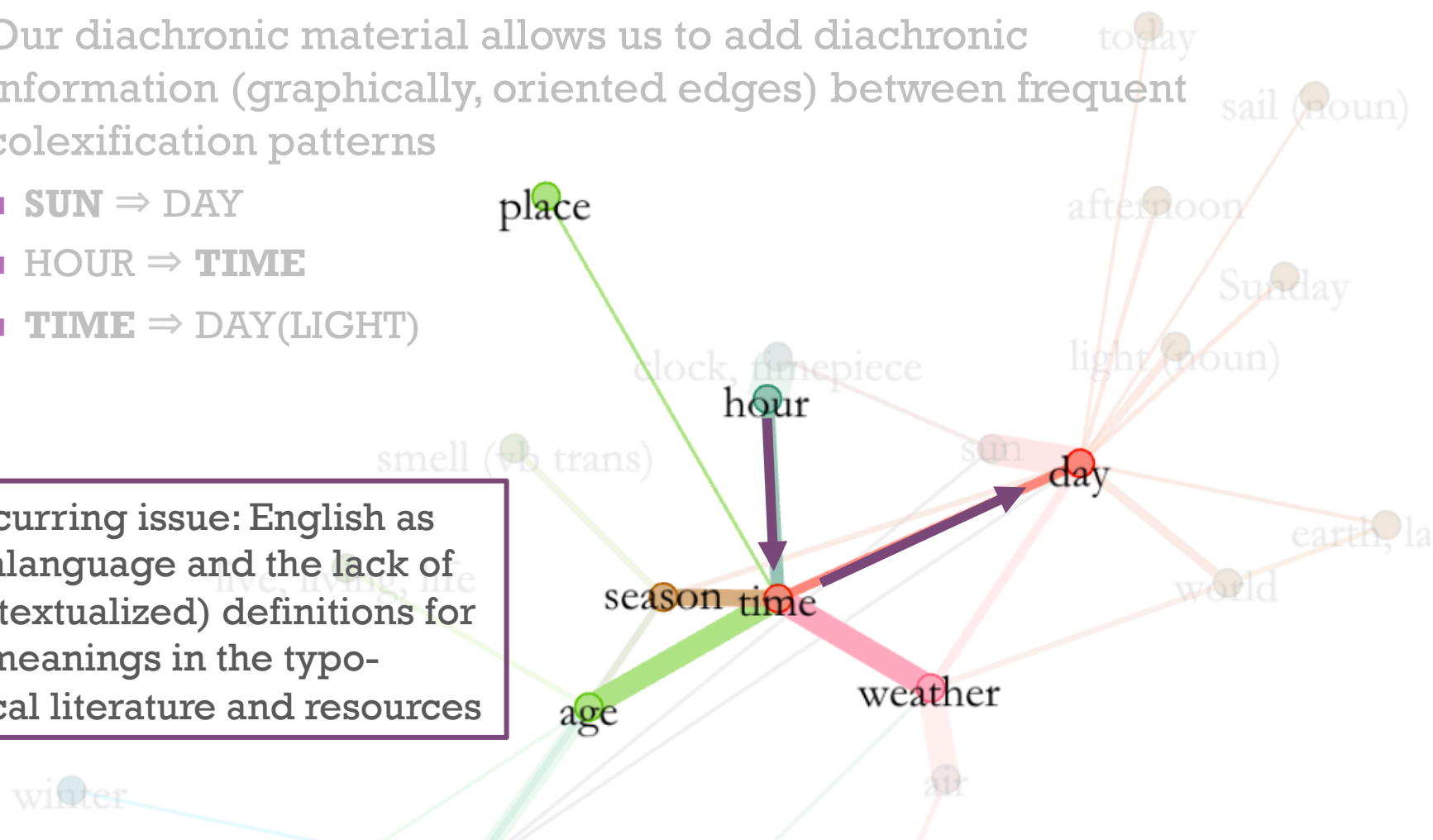
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A recurring issue: English as metalanguage and the lack of (contextualized) definitions for the meanings in the typological literature and resources

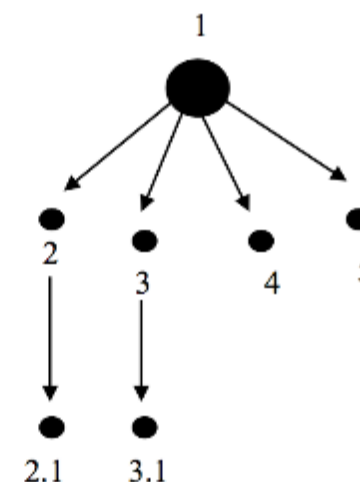


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Duration	✓	✓	✓
Moment	–	✓	✓
Event	–	✓	✓
Matrix	–	✓	–
Agentive	–	✓	✓
Commodity	–	✓	✓
Measurement-system	–	–	–
Grammatical	–	–	✓



- 1: The Duration Sense 3: Moment Sense
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 5: Grammatical Sense

Figure. The radial structure of *khrónos* in AG

Table. The senses of *khrónos* in the diachrony of AG

(Georgakopoulos & Piata 2012)

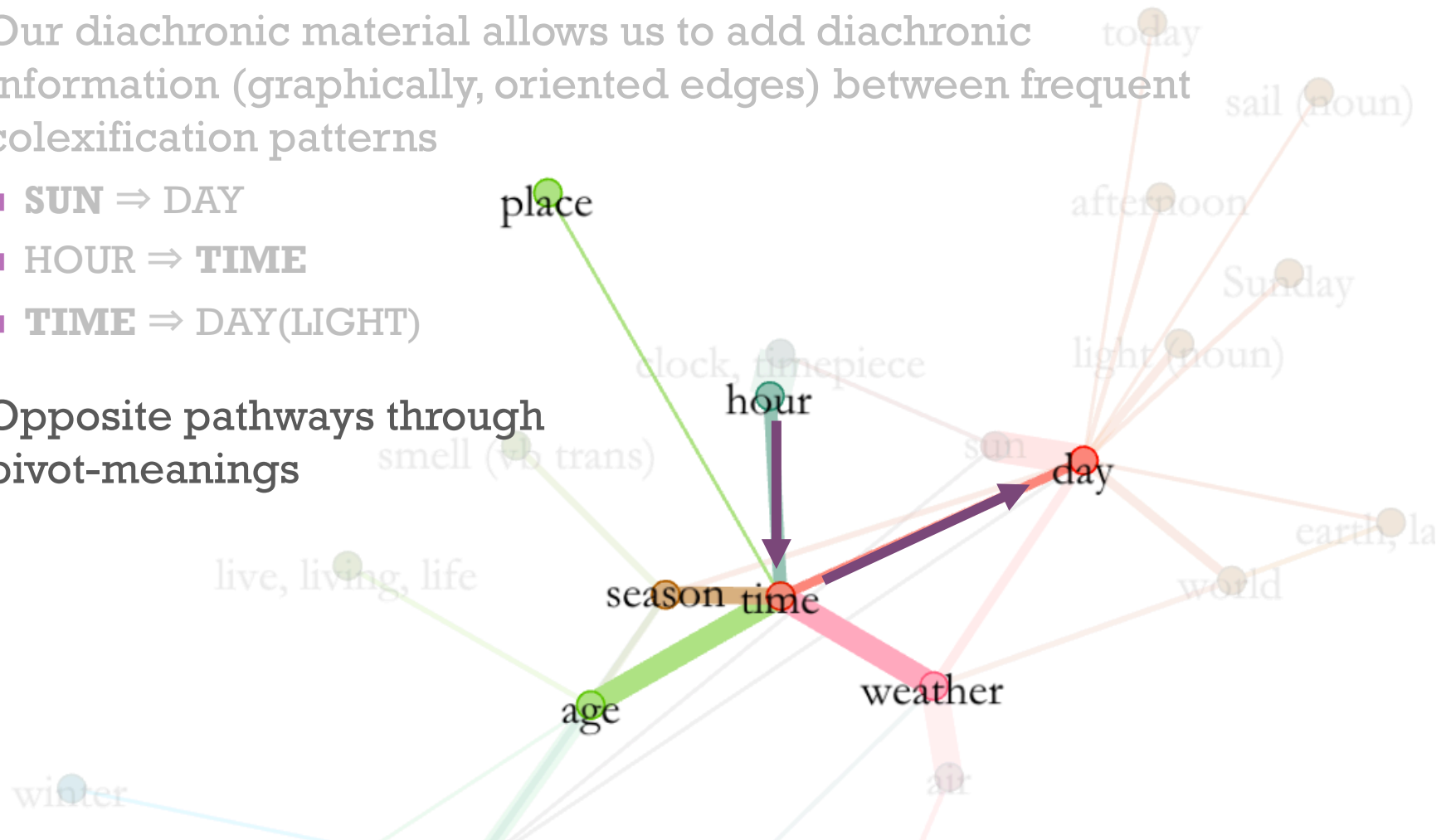
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- Opposite pathways through pivot-meanings



+ Ancient Greek

hōra ‘season/time/moment’

(5) *hóssá* *te* *phúlla* *kai* *ánthea*
REL.NOM.PL.N PTC leave:ACC.PL.N CONJ flower:ACC.PL.N

gígnetai *hórēi*
become:PRS.3SG **season:DAT.SG.F**

‘as are the leaves and the flowers in their **season**’ (Homer, *Iliad* 2.468)

(6) *óphra* *Poseidáōni* *kai* *állois* *athanátoisin*
CONJ Poseidon:DAT.SG.M CONJ other:DAT.PL immortal:DAT.PL

speísantes *koítoio* *medómetha:*
pour.libation:PART.AOR.NOM.PL.M bed:GEN.SG.M think.of:PRS.1PL.SUBJ.M/P

toío *gàr* *hórē*
dem.GEN.SG PTC **time:NOM.SG.F**

‘that when we have poured libations to Poseidon and the other immortals, we may bethink us of sleep; for it is the **time** thereto’ (Homer, *Odyssey* 3.333-334)

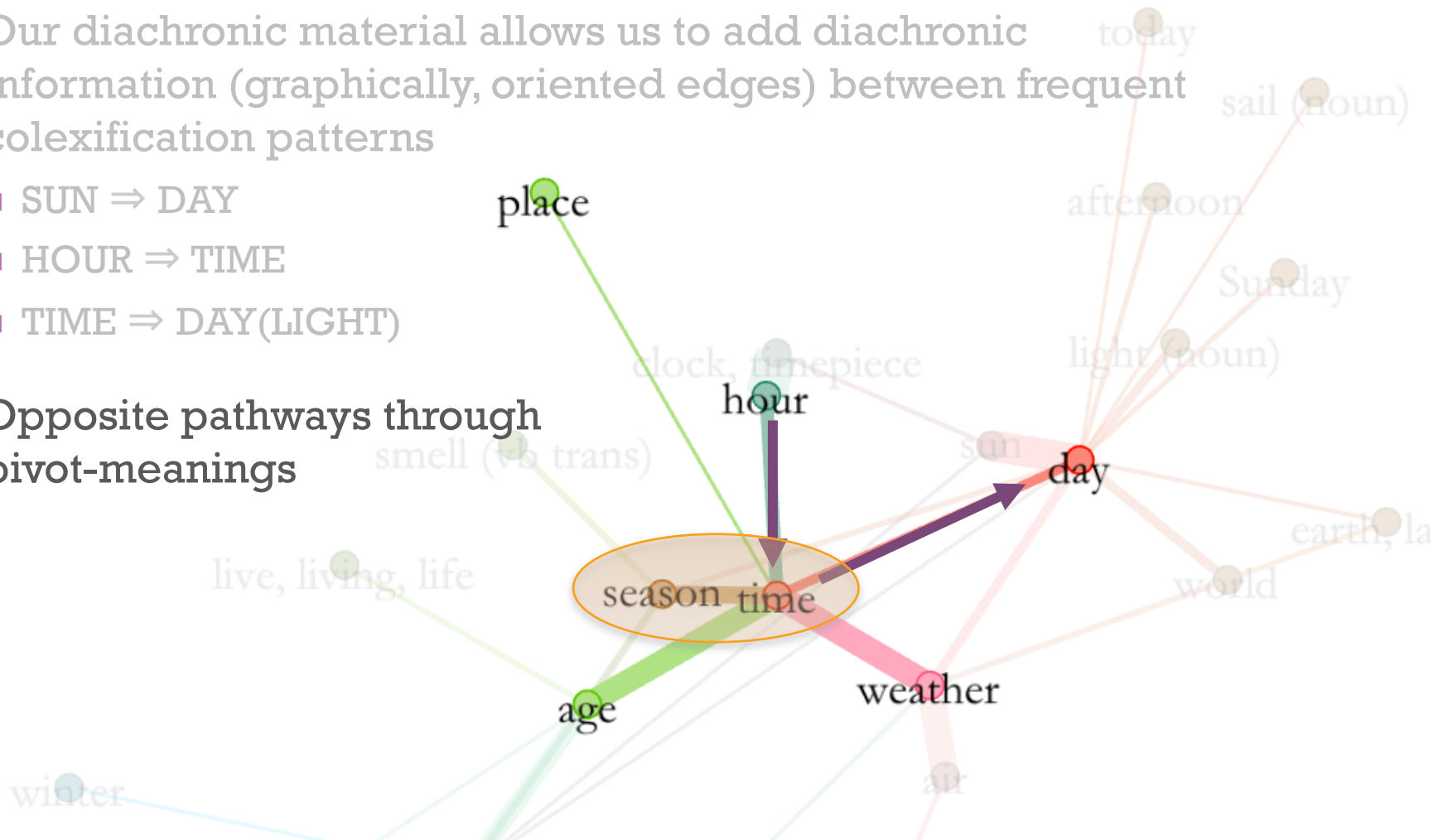
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+ Ancient Greek

hōra ‘season/time/moment’ ⇒ ‘hour’

- (7) *anastàs* *dè* *pròì* *pseustheìs*
 raise.up:PTCP.AOR.NOM.SG.M PTC early deceive:PTCP.AOR.PASS.NOM.SG.M
- tês* *hōras* *badízein*
 ART.GEN.SG.F **time:GEN.SG.F** walk:PRS.INF

‘He arose early, mistaking the **time/hour**, and started off on his walk’
 (Andocides, *On the Mysteries* 1.38)

- (8) *oukhì* *dódeka* *hōraì* *eisin* *tês* *hēméras;*
 NEG **twelve** **hour:NOM.PL.F** be.PRS.3PL ART.GEN.SG.F day:GEN.SG.F
- ‘Aren't there twelve hours of daylight?’ (New Testament, John 11.9.2)

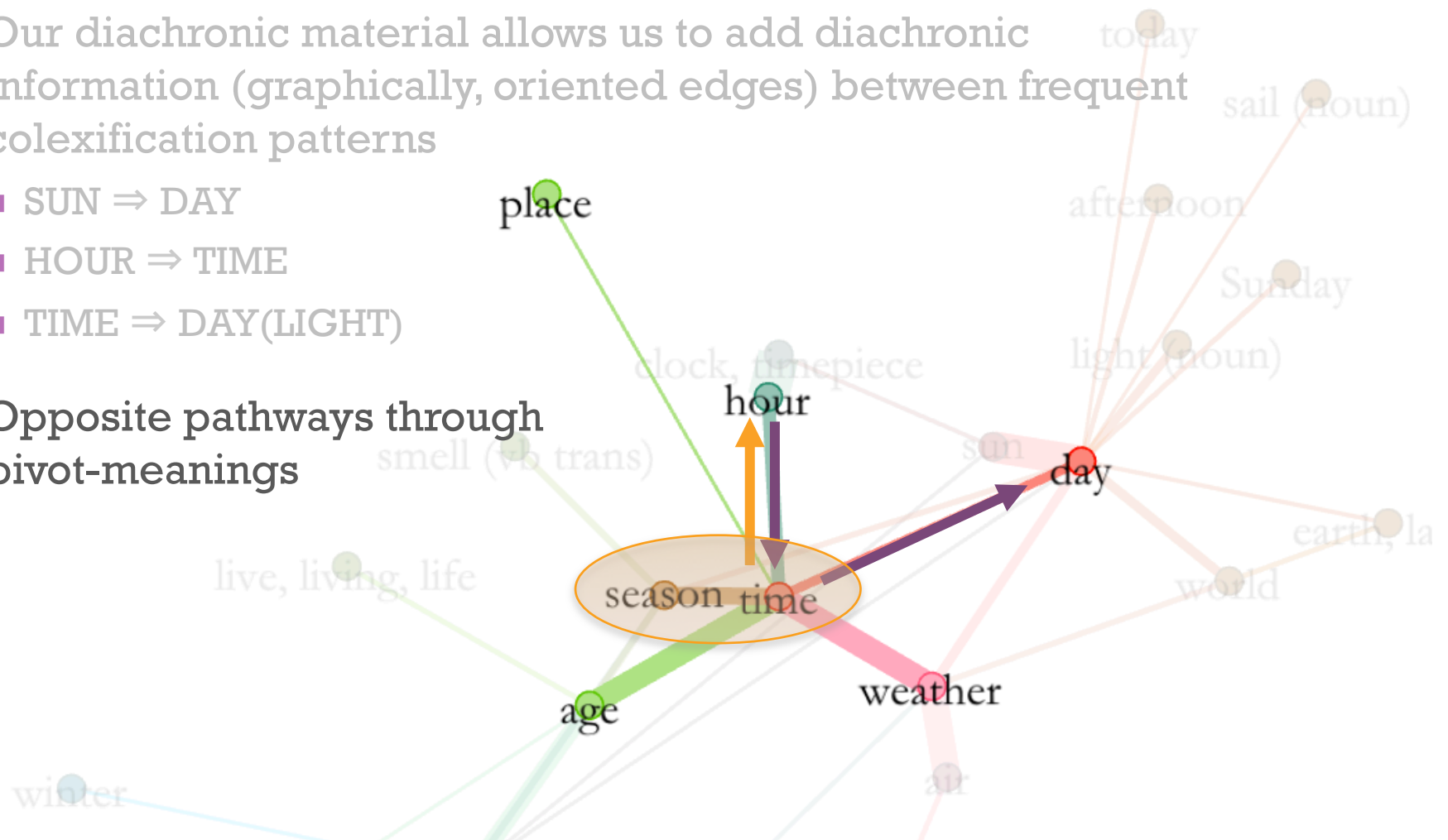
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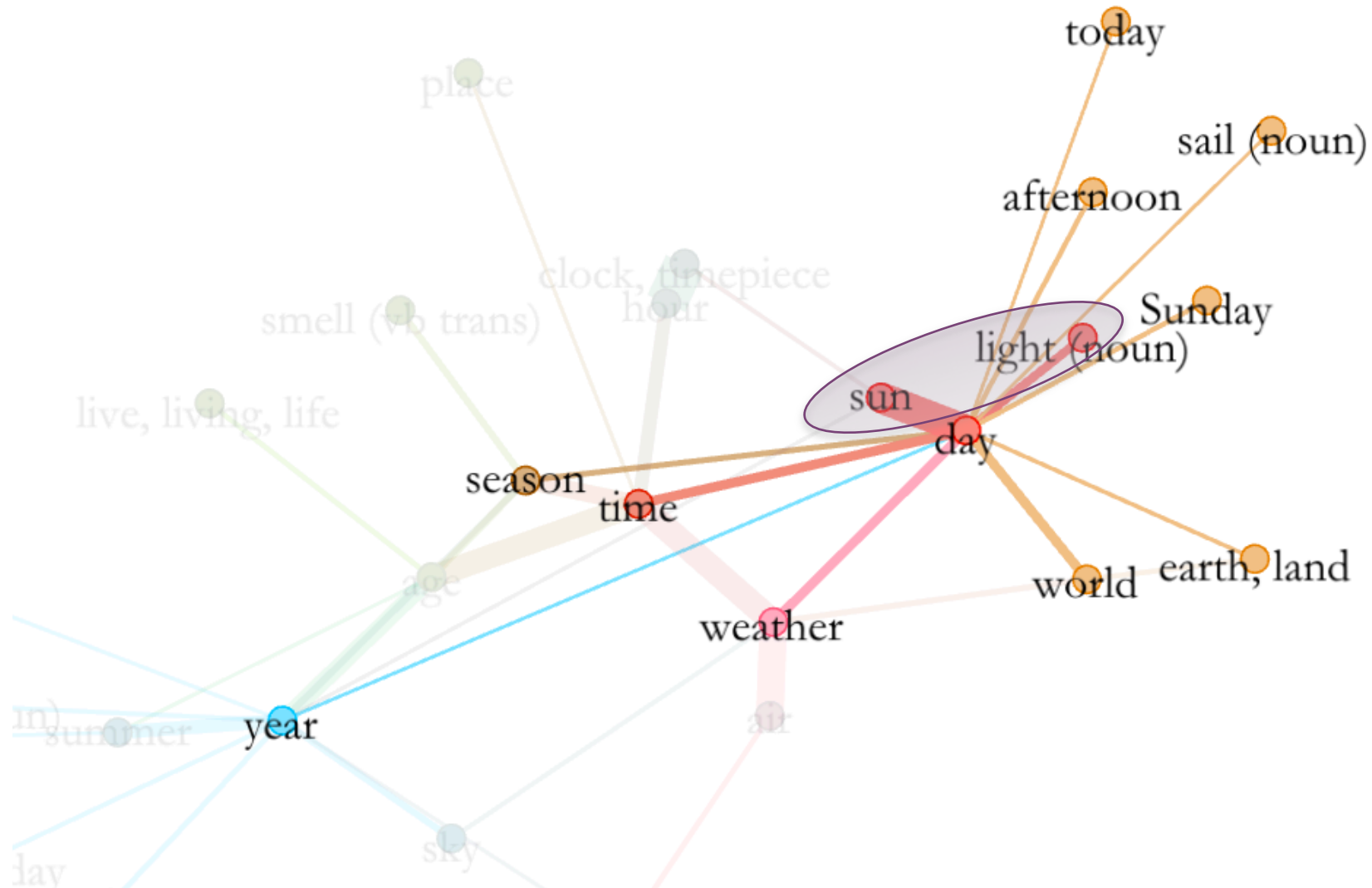
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 - SUN \Rightarrow DAY
 - HOUR \Rightarrow TIME
 - TIME \Rightarrow DAY(LIGHT)
- Opposite pathways through pivot-meanings
- Highlighting rare colexification patterns and pathways

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Towards a dynamicized semantic map



+ Ancient Egyptian

 šw 'light/sunlight' ⇒ 'sun'



Teaching of Ani, 23,13

(9) *iw hwi-f (n) šw h3b(.t)*
SBRD 3SG.M to **(sun)light** shade

'(...) after it (i.e., the wood) had been exposed (lit. thrown) to **light** and shade' (= Quack 1996: 337)

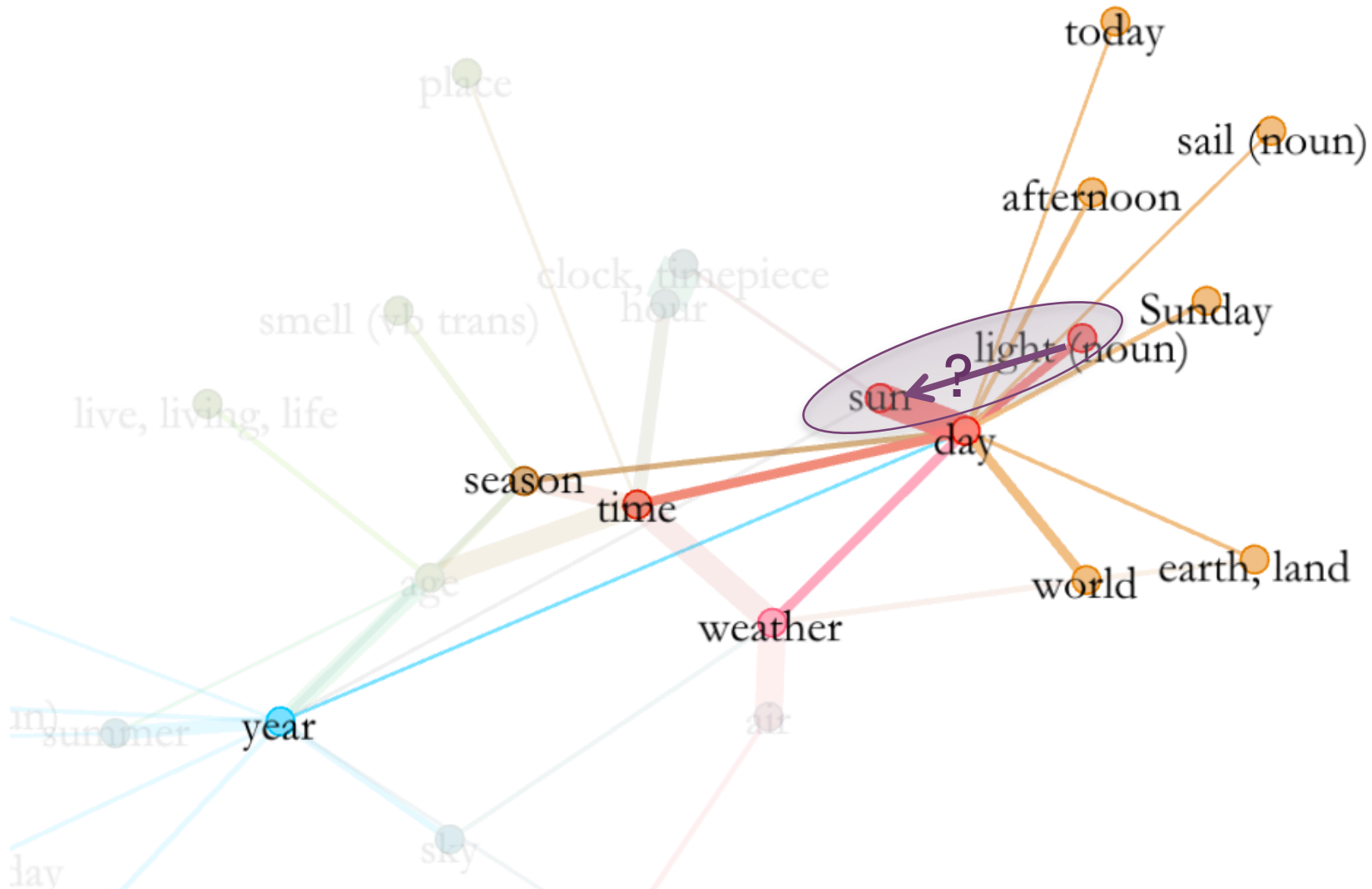


(10) *r-tnw wbn p3 šw hr p3 dw*
SBRD rise **ART.M.SG sun** on **ART.M.SG** mountain

'(...daily,) each time **the sun** rises over the mountain' (= KRI VI, 336)

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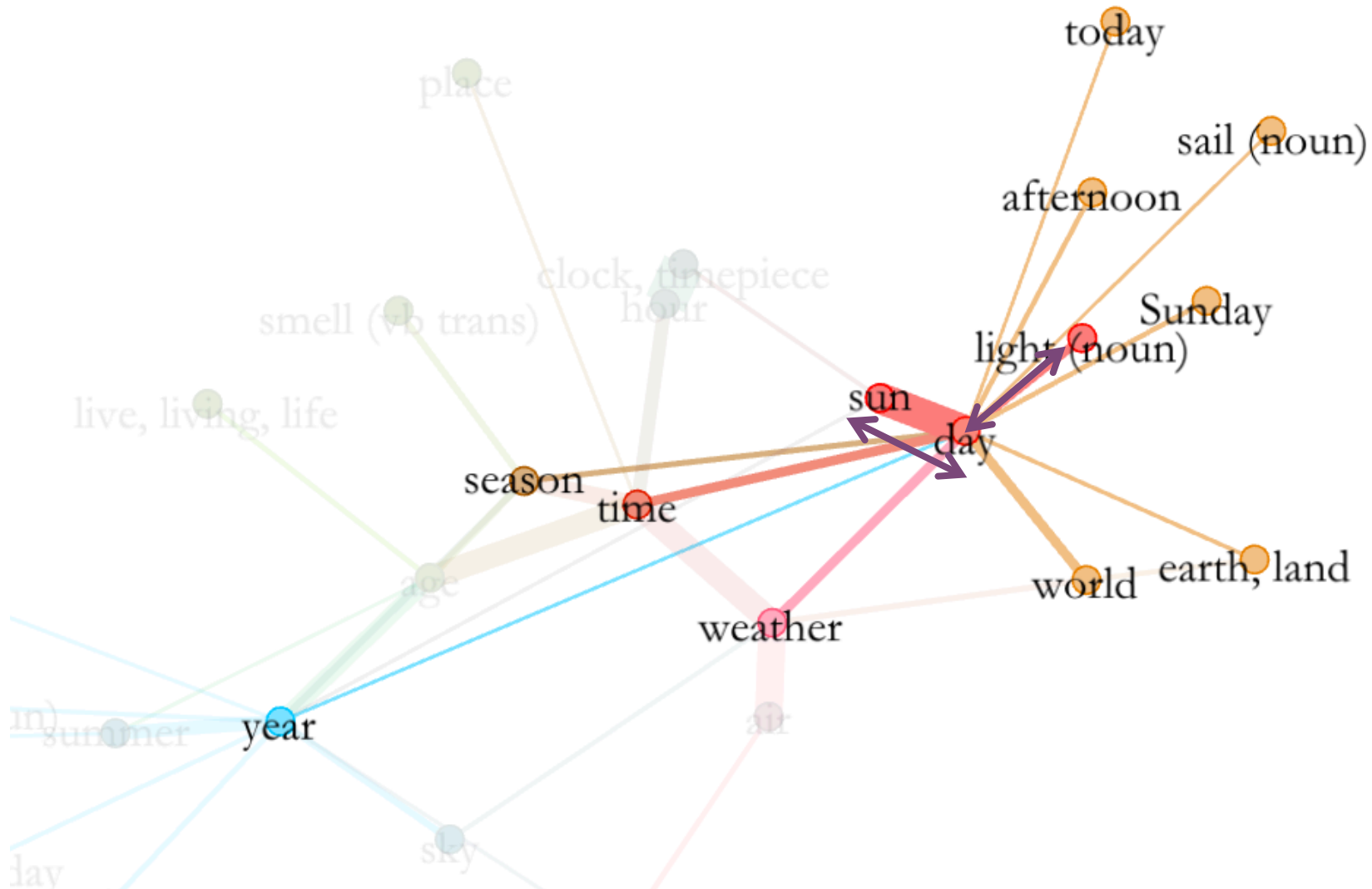
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Conclusions

and avenues for future research

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- We incorporated the diachronic dimension into semantic maps of content words, which is an important extension to the semantic maps research
- We emphasized the need to inform semantic maps with data from diachronic semantic change (cf. the Catalogue of Semantic Shifts)
- Our case study: the semantic extension of time-related lexemes
 - Replicable methodology
 - Balance between large-scale typological works and small-scale linguistic studies, focusing on few languages
 - Language-specific studies lead to more fine-grained semantic maps (correlated with contextualized meaning)
 - These do not cancel the maps which are constructed using data from large databases, but rather complement and enrich them

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- (Ancient) culture specific colexification patterns

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 - **Summer?**

There are 17 links involving the concept "summer": ?

Concept	IDS-Key	Occurrences	Families	Languages	Network		Forms
year	14.73	233	10	16	COM	SUB	FORMS
age	14.12	257	2	3	COM	SUB	FORMS
bow	20.24	231	2	2	COM	SUB	FORMS
spring	14.75	174	2	3	COM	SUB	FORMS
autumn	14.77	167	1	1	COM	SUB	FORMS
cave	1.28	256	1	1	COM	SUB	FORMS
cousin	2.55	346	1	1	COM	SUB	FORMS
hang up	9.341	280	1	1	COM	SUB	FORMS
hot	15.85	303	1	1	COM	SUB	FORMS
put	12.12	306	1	1	COM	SUB	FORMS
rain (noun)	1.75	257	1	1	COM	SUB	FORMS
reach, arrive	10.55	329	1	1	COM	SUB	FORMS
rise	10.21	334	1	1	COM	SUB	FORMS
season	14.78	193	1	1	COM	SUB	FORMS
sun	1.52	245	1	1	COM	SUB	FORMS
wall	7.27	239	1	1	COM	SUB	FORMS
wine	5.92	162	1	1	COM	SUB	FORMS

+ Ancient Greek

théros ‘summer’ ⇒ ‘harvest’

- (11) *autàr epèn élthēisi théros tethaluíá*
 PTC when come:AOR.SUBJ.3SG **summer:NOM.SG.M** thrive:PART.PERF.NOM.SG.F
t’ opóre
 PTC autumn:NOM.SG.F

‘But when **summer** comes and rich autumn’ (Homer, *Odyssey* 11.192)

- (12) *kâit’ anèr édoksen eînai, tallótrion*
 ADV man:NOM.SG.M seem:AOR.3SG be.INF another:GEN.SG
amôn théros
 reap.corn:PTCP.PRS.NOM.SG.M **summer:ACC.SG.N**

‘he has only made himself a name by reaping another’s **harvest**’ (Aristophanes, *Knights* 392)

+ Ancient Egyptian

šmw 'summer' ⇒

 šmw 'harvest'

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 šmw

belegt seit A.R.
 Kopt. s. b. a. cywm.

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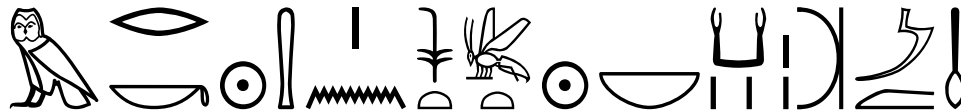
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- Languages and constructions shaping specific polysemy patterns
 - Time \Rightarrow Proximity

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Peasant, B1, 103-104

- (13) *m rk hm-f nswt-bity nb-k3w-r^c*
in time Majesty-3SG.M King of U. and L. Egypt Nebkaure

‘(Now, the peasant spoke these word) **during the time** of his Majesty, the King of Upper and Lower Egypt, Nebkaure (the justified)’ (= Parkinson 1991: 19)

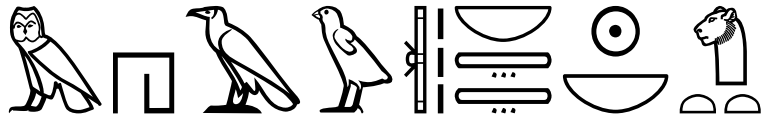


- (14) *sbty dr m rk mš^c-f* (= KRI II, 6,8)
 rampart strong **in proximity** army-3SG.M

(speaking of the King who is)

‘A strong rampart around his army, (their shied in the day of fighting)’

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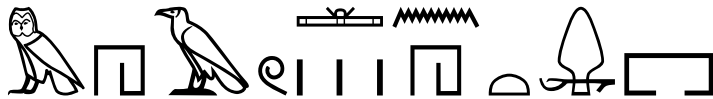


Biography of Ahmose, 5

(15) *m h3w nb t3-wj nb-ph.tj-r^c*
in time lord land-DU Nebphtire

(And then I became a soldier (...),)

'during the time of the lord of the Two Lands, Nebpehtire (justified, when I was a young man, not having a wife yet)' (= *Urk. IV, 2,13*)



Sinuhe, B8

(16) *m h3w nh.t*
in proximity Sycamore

'(I crossed the place called The Two Truths,) in the vicinity of The Sycamore" (and I landed at The Island of Snefru)' (= Koch 1990: 14)

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