

Analyzing and predicting user cross-chain behavior with temporal multilayer graphs

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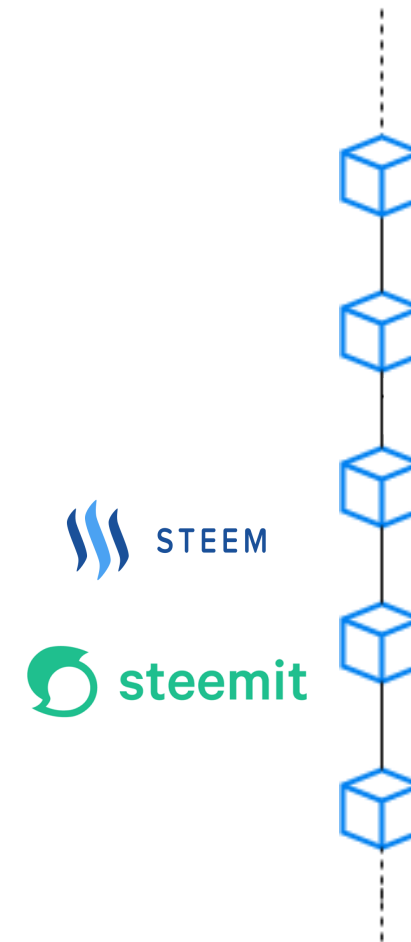
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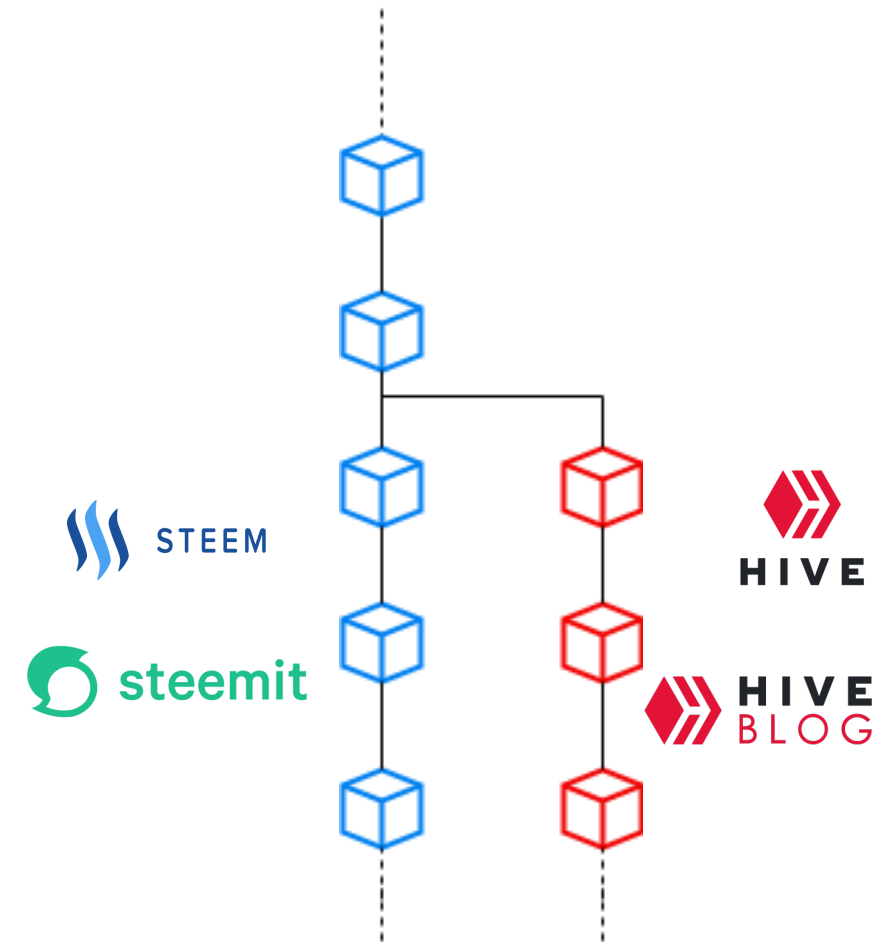
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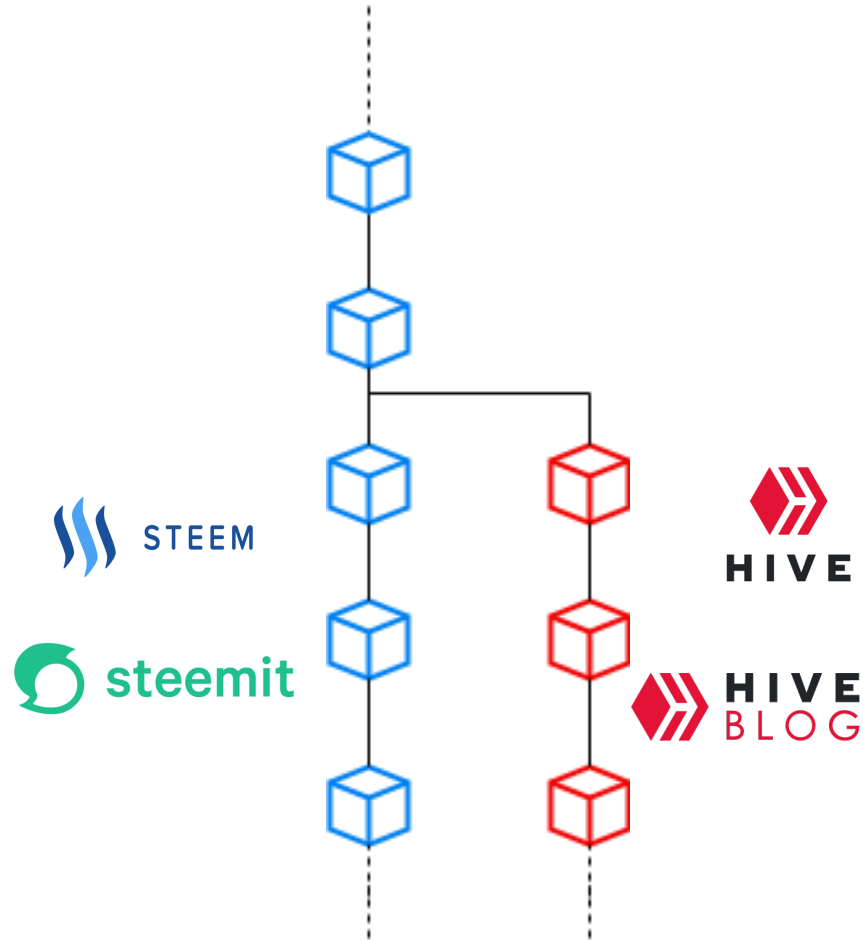
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 - Steemit and Hive
 - Similar platforms, same accounts

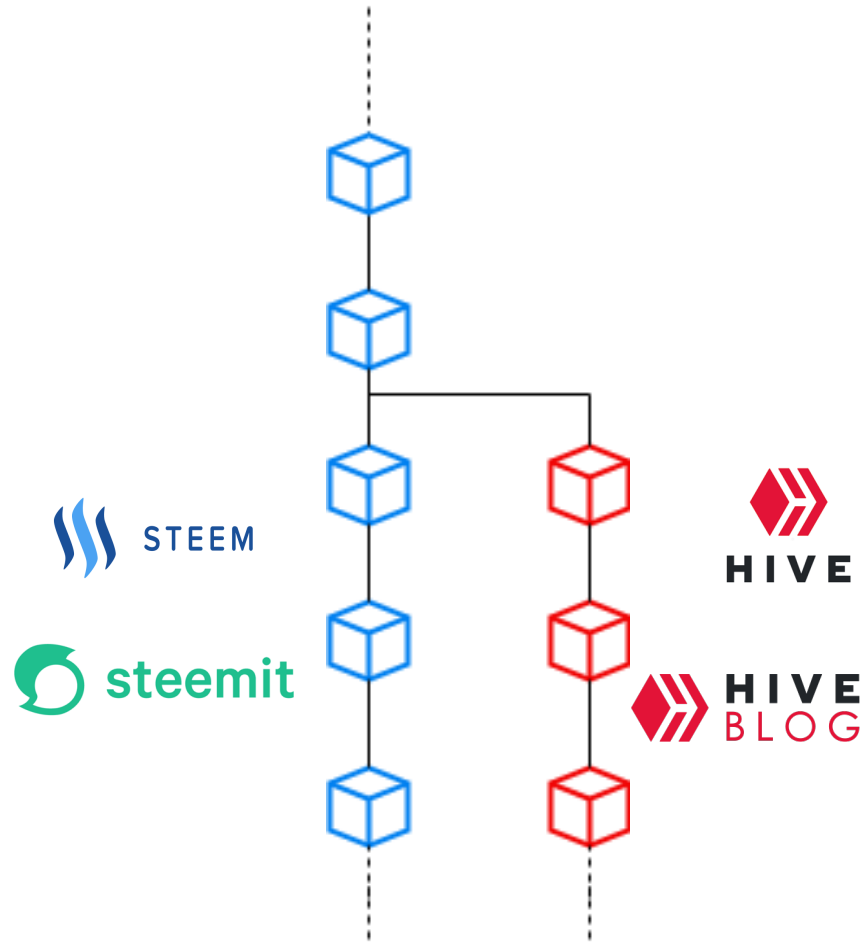


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 - Steem (post-fork): 78,822,794
 - Hive (post-fork): 206,224,132
- *Financial* operations (Transfers, Savings, ...)
 - Steem(pre-fork): 62,071,074
 - Steem (post-fork): 10,299,852
 - Hive (post-fork): 4,041,060

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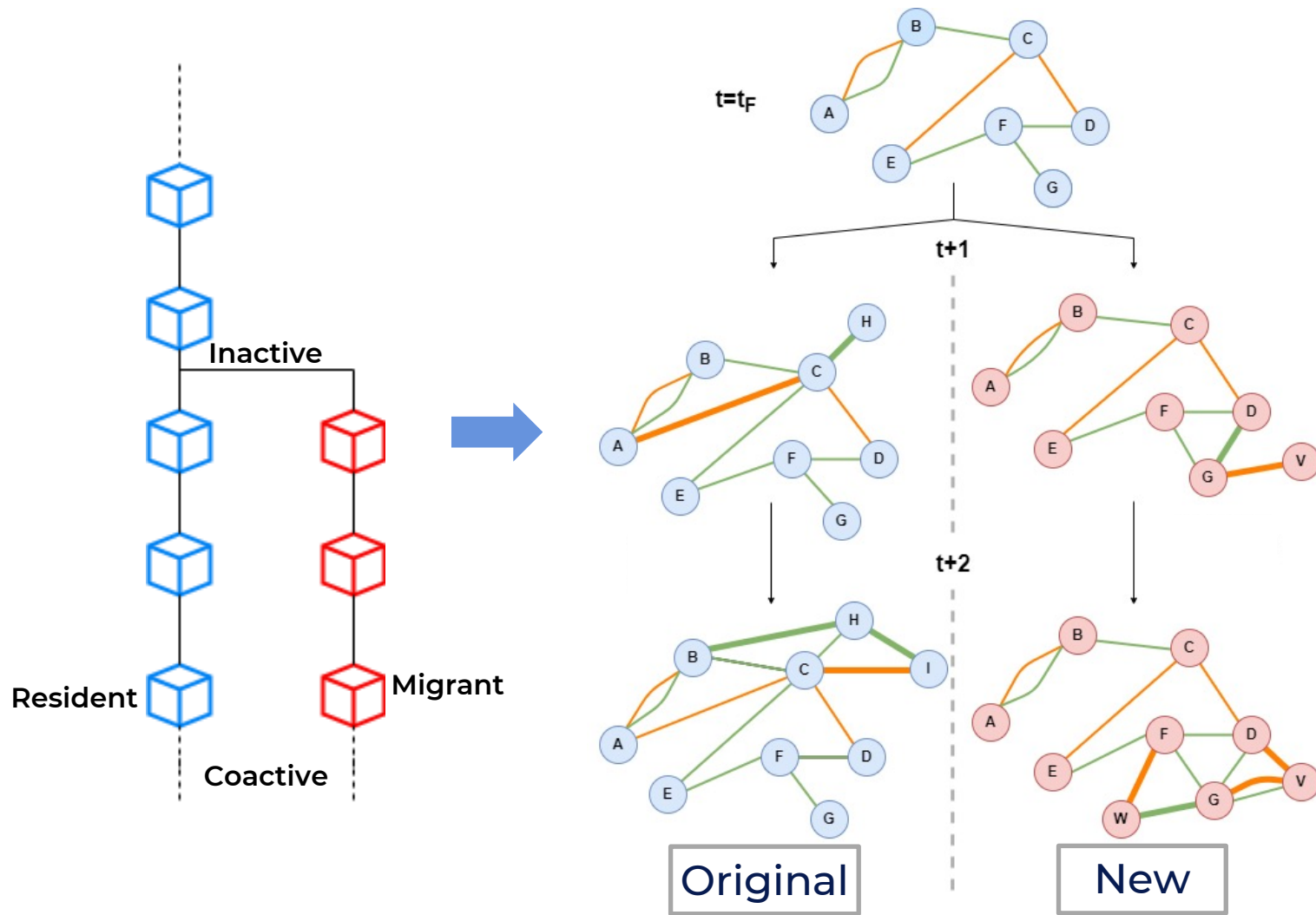


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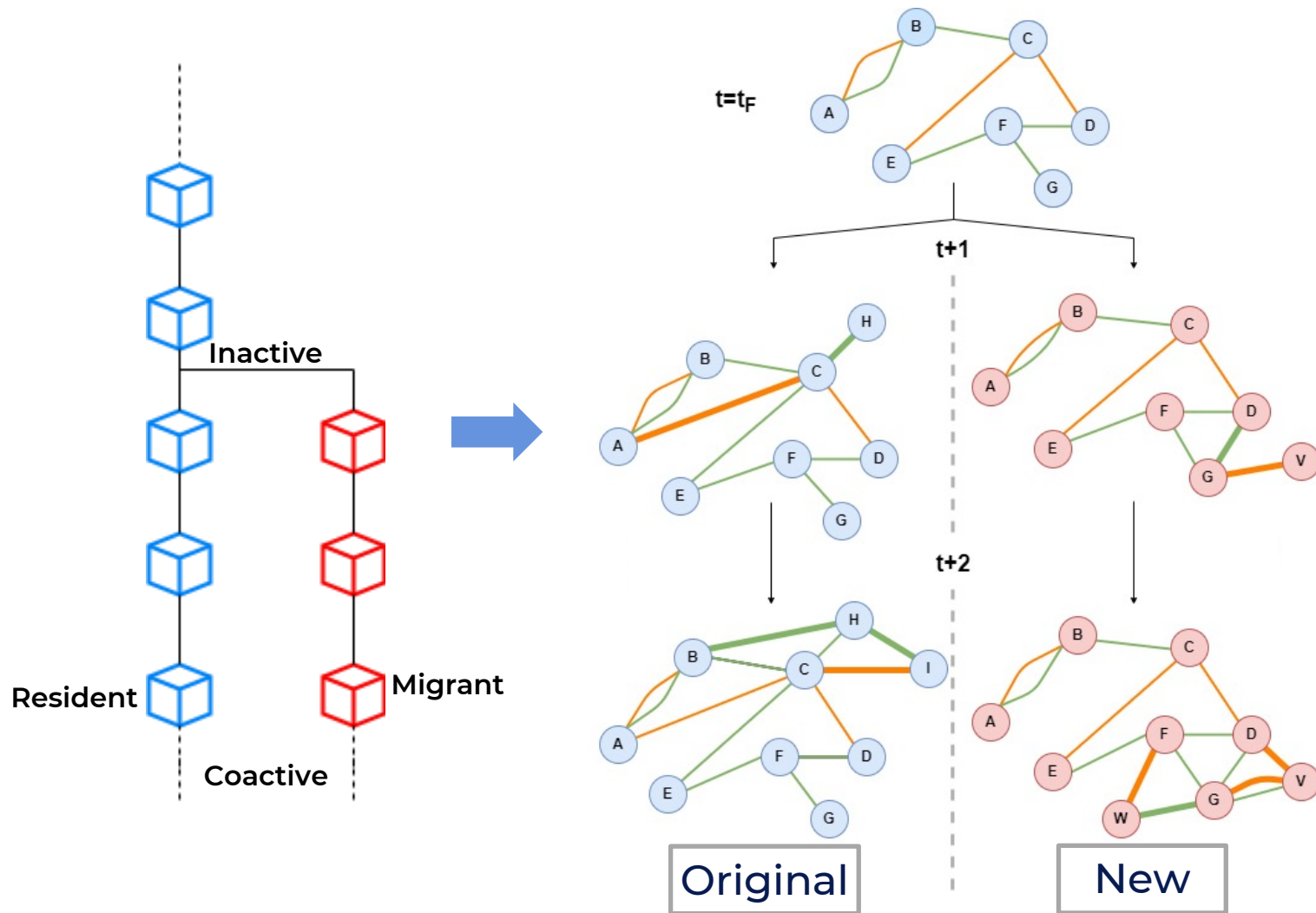
General user migration model for the analysis of migration scenarios

Network based model for the description and forecast of user behavior

User migration model



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- Evolution multidigraphs
 - Temporal multi-graph
 - Weighted, Directed
 - Multiple interactions type
- Describe network evolution and user characteristics

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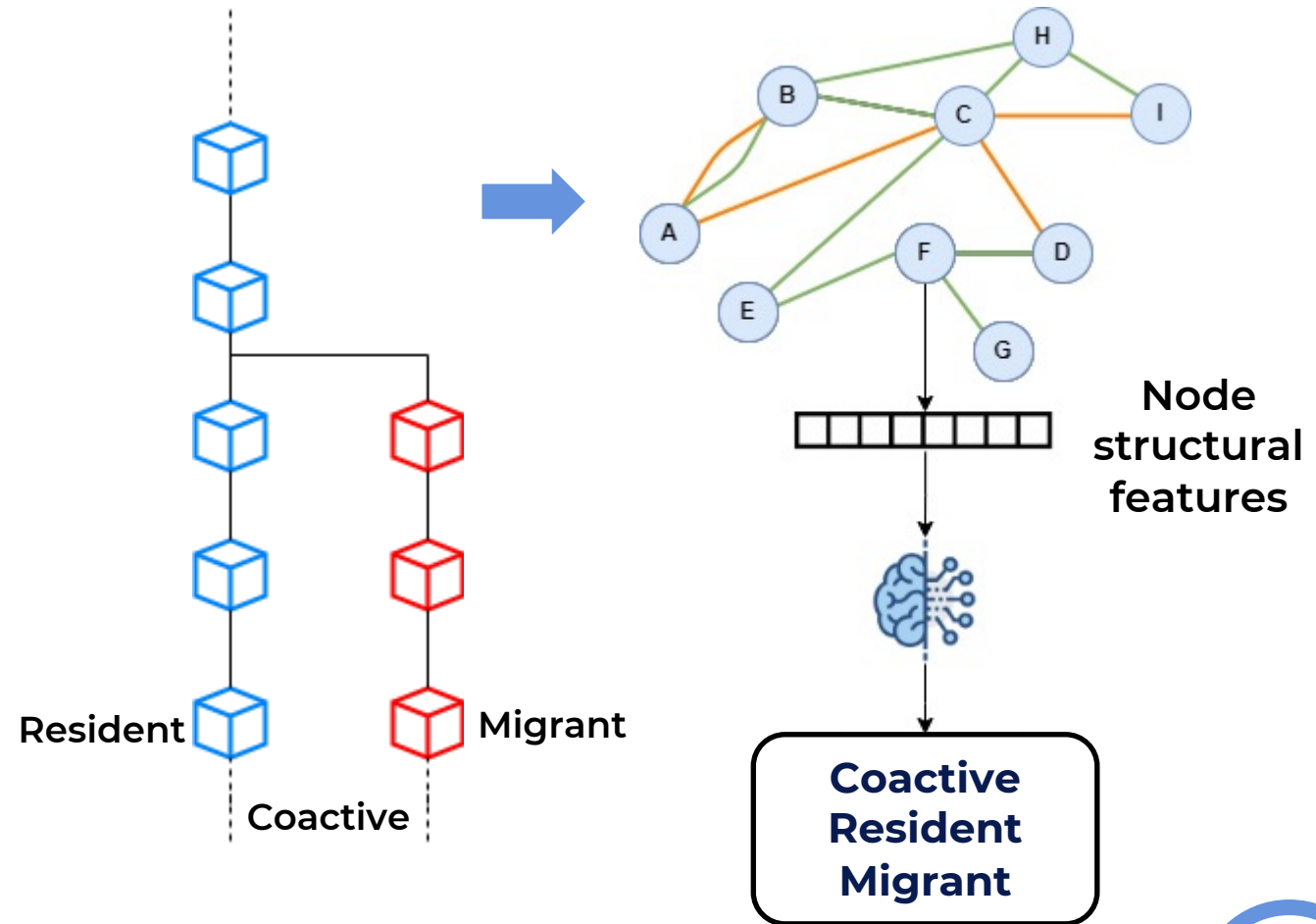
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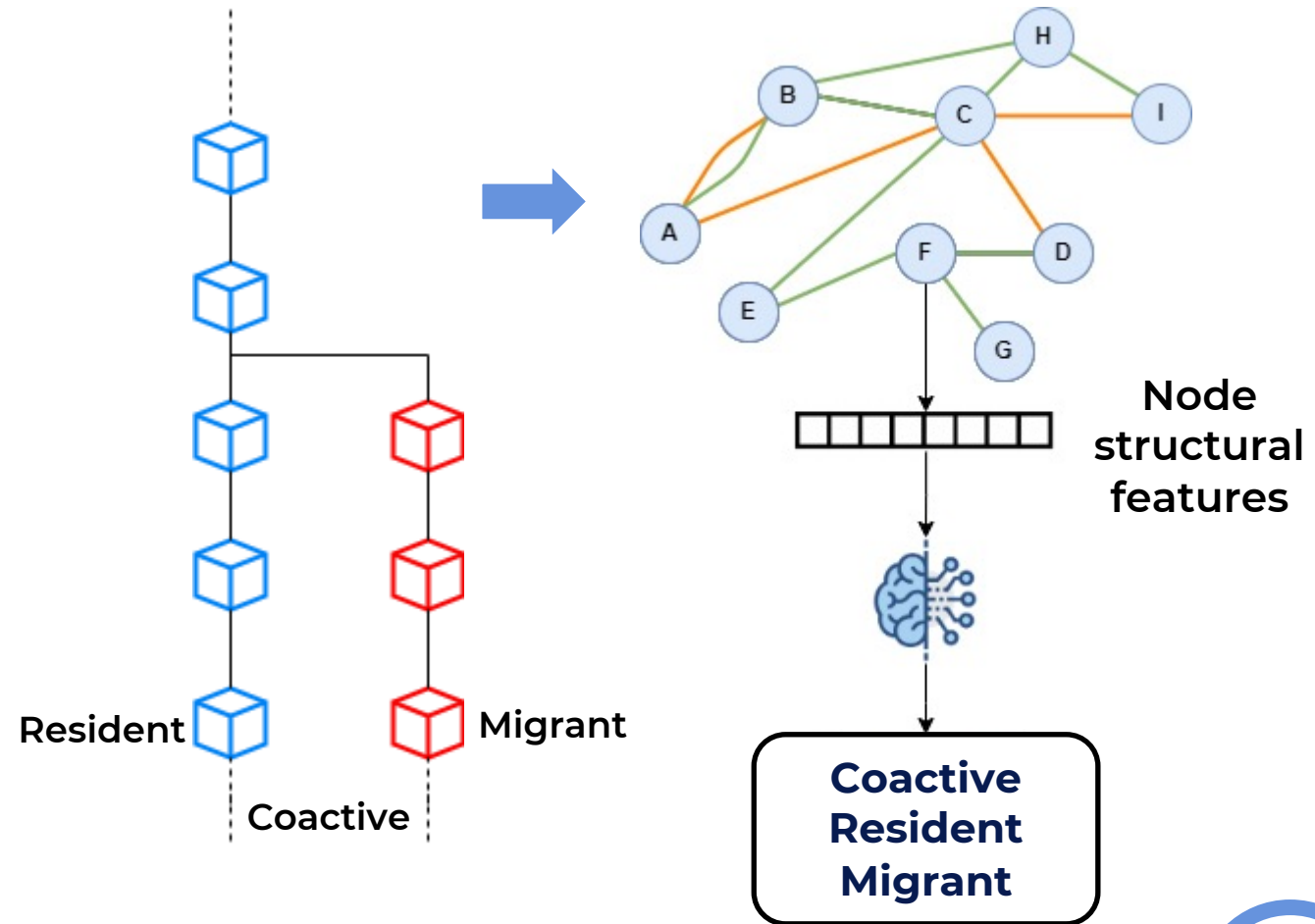
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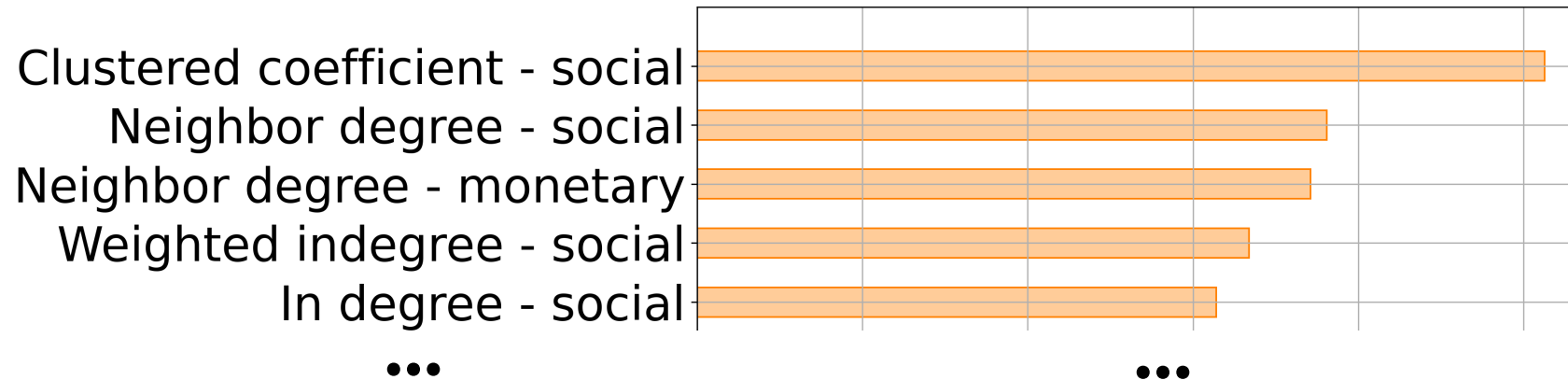
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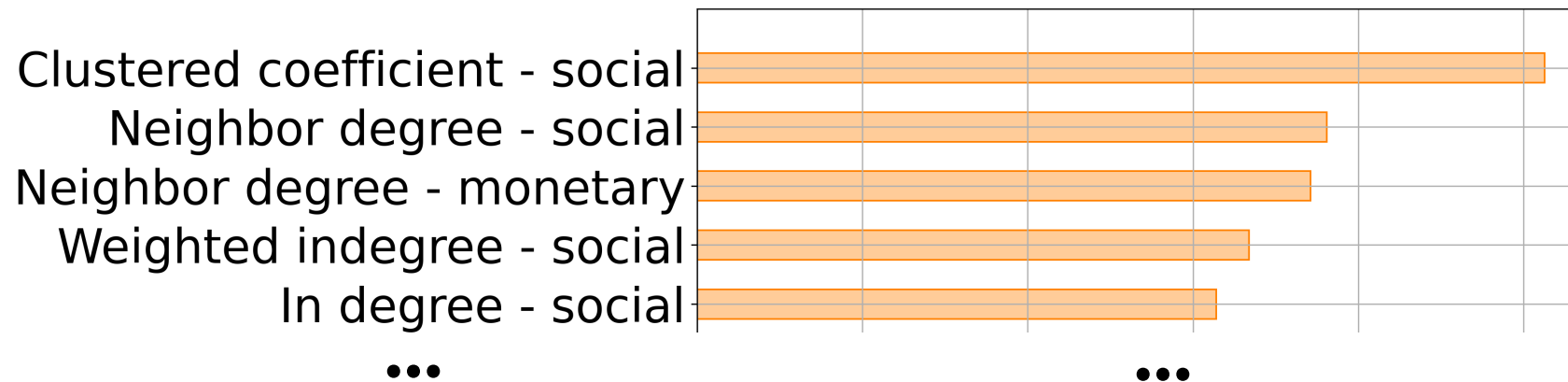
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Both social and economical dimensions are predictive and important

Conclusions

