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Many different systems both in nature and in technology can be described by means of networks of interconnected components. Despite their different aspects, all of them share similar mathematical properties. In this book we explain how to recognize these features and why these different systems develop this common structure. - ;A variety of different social, natural and technological systems can be described by the same mathematical framework. This holds from the Internet to food webs and to boards of company directors. In all these situations a graph of the elements of the system and their in

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