The Spread of Memes

- What factors contribute to the spread of a meme across a social network?
- Influence factors
 - Friends
 - Media
 - Subject matter
 - Vs. interests
 - Persistence
 - Popularity



"Source View"

- Red = "from friend"
- Yellow = "from media"
- Blue = no meme



"Times-Heard View"

- Lighter = more times
- Darker = fewer times

Media occurs at selected tick frequencies

 A patch turns into a "TV" that humans watch

"Categories" range from integer values 0-9

- Each meme has an inherent
 "trend-category", or topic
- Each human has an "<u>interest-category</u>" value
- Correspond with each other
- What is the greatest influence in the spread across the network?

