

## **Describing party-state systems and their dynamics as networks**

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The dynamics of expansion and retreat of a network is detailed on the example of the birth and demise of party-state systems. This systemic network is described with the help of the Interactive Party-State (IPS) model through the interrelationship of individual party-state and economic decision-makers. The model also describes the causes of the internal dynamics of this network: its generators, its self-similarities and differences, as well as the dynamics of its operation and transformation. In view of the IPS model it details the specific structure and dynamics of the Chinese party-state.