AutoInformation State aggregation

a dynamical point of view





Markov Chain

..., X_{past}, X_{now}, X_{future}, ...



Projection

••••, **y** past, **y** now, **y** future, •••



Aggregation strategies



AutoInformation

 $I(y_t; y_{t-\tau})$

Non-linear *correlation* between successive time-steps

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$$I(y_t; y_{t-\tau}) = I(y_t; y_{t-\tau}, \dots) = I(y_t; y_{t-\tau}, \dots)$$
²non-Markovianity
$$I(y_t; y_{t-\tau}, \dots | y_{t-\tau})$$

where $oldsymbol{ au}$ represents a time-scale parameter. Maximized by a Markov chain that:

- ¹ Maximize predictability of the dynamics
- ² Minimize non-Markovianity (effective memories from the projection)

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Modularity



Random walker covariance

 χ_c characteristic function of class c

$$Q = \sum_{c} \operatorname{Cov} \left(\chi_{c}(t), \chi_{c}(t+1) \right)$$

Auto-covariance of the dynamics on the partition space.

Linear correlation between consecutive time-steps.

Modularity:

$$Q = \frac{1}{2m} \sum_{ij} \left[A_{ij} - \frac{k_i k_j}{2m} \right] \delta(c_i, c_j)$$

Shen et al. (2010) PRE, 82, 016114

Fitting a generative model (e.g. DC-SBM) to the data through log-likelihood maximization can be seen as maximizing the AutoInformation for paths of lenght $\tau = 1$ (e.g. links).

$$I(Y_t; Y_{t-1}) = H(Y_y) + H(Y_{t-1}) - H(Y_y, Y_{t-1})$$

$$H(Y_t) = -\sum_c \frac{e_c}{2m} \log \frac{e_c}{2m} \quad e_c = \sum_{i \in c, j} A_{ij}$$

$$H(Y_t, Y_{y-1}) = -\sum_{cd} \frac{e_{cd}}{2m} \log \frac{e_{cd}}{2m} \quad e_{cd} = \sum_{i \in c, j \in d} A_{ij}$$

$$DC-SBM$$

$$S \propto \frac{1}{2} \sum_{cd} e_{cd} \log \frac{e_{cd}}{e_c e_d}$$

In binary symmetric networks

Karrer and Newman (2011), PRE 83, 016107.

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The parameter au selects the *time-scale* of the aggregation.

Maximizing in a naive way is not possible, one need to fix the number of classes or apply some **model selection**. E.g. a entropic Lagrange multiplier:

 $\mathcal{I}_{\alpha\tau} = I(y_t; y_{t-\tau}) - \alpha H(y_t)$

Didactic Examples.



A regular ring lattice with N nodes, each connected with **k** neighbours.

How many classes?





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$$egin{aligned} p_{ij} = & lpha_{c_i c_j} \cdot (\gamma_{c_i c_j})^{d_{ij}} \ & lpha_{c_i c_j}, \gamma_{c_i c_j} \in \llbracket 0,1
brace \end{aligned}$$

with d_{ij} a (normalized) distance between nodes aligned on a cycle.



















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| DC-SBM | |
|-------------------|---|
| spectral | |
| AutoInfo $	au=$ 1 | |
| AutoInfo $	au=5$ | Γ |







Global Drifter Program







Each time step lasts 16 days.

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🖈 Finally...

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