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- 5 Ecological Network

Yeast Protein Interaction Network (PIN)



Figure: Yeast PIN. source: www.bordalierinstitute.com/images/yeastProteinInteractionNetwork.jpg

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Classical Distributions:

- f_{θ} can be any probability distribution;
- → Bernoulli (interaction graph): presence/absence of an edge; $X_{ij}|\{Z_{iq} = 1, Z_{j\ell} = 1\} \sim \mathcal{B}(\pi_{q\ell})$
- → Poisson (PM) (count): in coauthorship networks, number of copublished papers;

$$X_{ij}|\{Z_{iq}=1, Z_{j\ell}=1\} \sim \mathcal{P}(\lambda_{q\ell})$$

→ Poisson regression with homogeneous effects (PRMH) (counts with covariates): in ecological networks;

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- The random variables *X_{ij}* are not independent;
- The distribution Pr(.|X) of Z conditional on X is not a product distribution;
- → Exact EM is not possible...

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Quality of the Estimates: Simulation Setup

- \rightarrow Undirected graph with Q = 3 classes;
- → Poisson-valued edges;
- \rightarrow *n* = 100, 500 vertices;

$$\rightarrow \alpha_q \propto a^q$$
 for $a = 1, 0.5, 0.2;$

- *a* = 1: balanced classes;
- *a* = 0.2: unbalanced classes (80.6%, 16.1%, 3.3%)
- $\rightarrow \text{ Connectivity matrix of the form} \begin{pmatrix} \lambda & \gamma\lambda & \gamma\lambda \\ \gamma\lambda & \lambda & \gamma\lambda \\ \gamma\lambda & \gamma\lambda & \lambda \end{pmatrix} \text{for}$

$$\gamma=0.1,\ 0.5,\ 0.9,\ 1.5$$
 and $\lambda=2,\ 5$

- $\gamma = 1$: all classes equivalent (same connectivity pattern);
- $\gamma \neq 1$: classes are different;
- λ : mean value of an edge;
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Number of Classes

 \rightarrow Undirected graph with $Q^* = 3$ classes and Poisson edges;

 \rightarrow *n* = 50, 100, 500, 1000 vertices;

$$\rightarrow \alpha_q = (57.1\%, 28, 6\%, 14, 3\%);$$

 \rightarrow Connectivity matrix of the form 1

		Q	
п	2	3	4
50	82	17	1
100	7	90	3
500	0	100	0
1000	0	100	0

Table: Frequency of selected Q for various n.

- Dataset Parisitic behavior of 154 fungi on 51 trees;
- **Network** Valued Network on trees: $X_{tt'}$ = number of fungis infecting both *t* and *t'*.
- **Goal** Identify groups of trees sharing similar interactions: is similarity driven by evolution or geography ?
- Poisson Model We assume

$$X_{ij}|\{Z_{iq}=1,Z_{j\ell}=1\}\sim \mathcal{P}(\lambda_{q\ell})$$

Covariate

- Phylogenetic relatedness measured by genetic\taxonomic distance;
- Geographical relatedness measured by Jaccard distance;

With no covariate (7 classes)



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T2	4.19	14.13	0.68	2.79	4.84	0.53	1.54
Т3	5.99	0.68	3.19	4.10	0.66	0.02	0.69
T4	7.67	2.79	4.10	7.42	2.57	0.04	1.05
T5	2.44	4.84	0.66	2.57	3.64	0.23	0.83
T6	0.13	0.53	0.02	0.04	0.23	0.04	0.06
T7	1.43	1.54	0.69	1.05	0.83	0.06	0.27
$\widehat{\alpha}_q$	7.8	7.8	13.7	13.7	15.7	19.6	21.6

- T1, T2, T3, T4, T5: trees sharing lots of parasites;
- T6, T7: Trees with sharing few parasites with any other.

Groups of Trees: With Covariate

Model: $X_{ij} \sim \mathcal{P}(\lambda_{ql}e^{\beta y_{ij}})$ with y_{ij} taxonomic distance

• $\hat{Q} = 4$ classes; • $\hat{\beta} = -0.317$;										
	T'1	T'2	Т'З	T'4						
T1	0	0	0	4						
T2	0	0	0	4						
Т3	2	5	0	0		Î	T'4	T'O	T'O	Т'Л
T4	0	2	0	5		$\frac{\Lambda_{q\ell}}{\mathbf{T}'}$	0.75	1 2	1.3	1 4
Τ5	0	2	0	6		11	0.75	2.46	0.40	3.77
T6	0	0	10	0		12	2.46	4.30	0.52	8.77
T7	7	2	2	õ		Τ'3	0.40	0.52	0.080	1.05
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Reaction Network of E.Coli:

- → data from http://www.biocyc.org/,
- \rightarrow *n* = 605 vertices (reactions) and 1 782 edges.
- \rightarrow 2 reactions *i* and *j* are connected if the product of *i* is the substrate of *j* (cofactors excluded),
- → V. Lacroix and M.-F. Sagot (INRIA Hélix).

Question:

→ Interpretation of the connectivity structure of classes?

MixNet results:

- \rightarrow ICL gives $\hat{Q} = 21$ classes,
- → Most classes correspond to pseudo-cliques,

Biological interpretation of the groups I

- Dot-plot representation
 - → adjacency matrix (sorted)
- Biological interpretation:
 - → Groups 1 to 20 gather reactions involving all the same compound either as a substrate or as a product,
 - → A compound (chorismate, pyruvate, ATP, etc) can be associated to each group.
- The structure of the metabolic network is governed by the compounds.



Biological interpretation of the groups II

- → Classes 1 and 16 constitute s single clique corresponding to a single compound (pyruvate),
- → They are split into two classes because they interact differently with classes 7 (CO2) and 10 (AcetylCoA)
- → Connectivity matrix (sample):

q, l	1	7	10	16
1	1.0			
7	.11	.65		
10	.43		.67	
16	1.0	.01	ϵ	1.0



Adjacency matrix (sample)