

High dimensional data integration using graphical models

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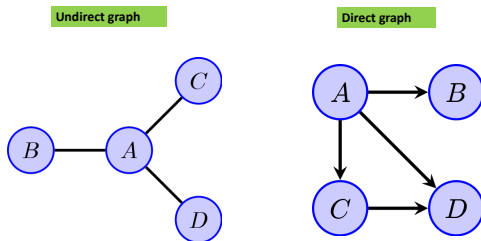
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¹Joint Node-Wise Estimation of Multiple Gaussian Graphical Models

Introduction and Motivations

- **Networks** or **Graphs** are common tools to represent relationships among variables.
- A **graph** $G = (V, E)$ can encode either **direct** or **undirect relationships** between pairs of variables.

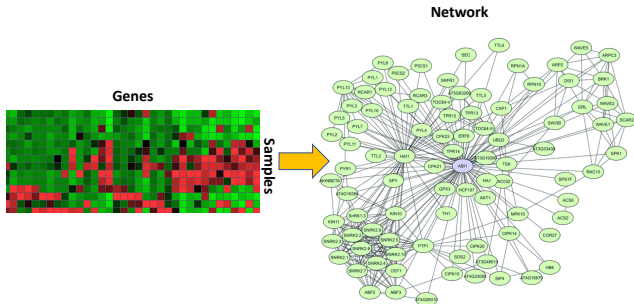


- **Network inference** is aimed to **estimate the graph** G from observed data X .

Introduction and Motivations

Gene Regulatory Networks and Protein-Protein interaction networks

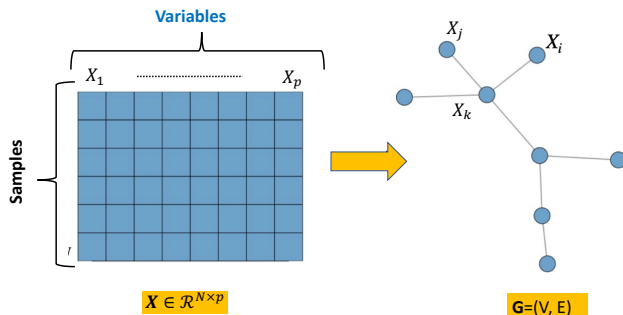
Relationships among genes or proteins can be represented as networks. However, to understand a biological system, one should distinguish direct interactions from indirect interactions (i.e., mediated by other genes).



In biological applications, we have $p \gg n$, where p is the number of **variables** (i.e., genes) and n the number of **samples**.

Graphical models (Idea)

Assume to collect N samples $\mathbf{X} = (\mathbf{x}_1, \dots, \mathbf{x}_N)^T \in \mathcal{R}^{N \times p}$ where $\mathbf{x}_i = (X_1, \dots, X_p)$.



Graph $\mathbf{G} = (V, E)$ where vertices $V = \{1, \dots, p\}$ correspond to **variables** X_1, \dots, X_p , and edges describe the **conditional dependence** between pairs of variables.

\Rightarrow The aim is estimating $\mathbf{G} = (V, E)$ from matrix \mathbf{X} .

Graphical models and Penalized approaches

A graph $\mathbf{G} = (V, E)$ is an **undirected graphical model** for the random vector \mathbf{x} , if it satisfies the *pairwise Markov property*:

$$\forall i, j : (i, j) \notin E, i \neq j \iff X_i \perp\!\!\!\perp X_j | X_{\{l, l \neq i, j\}}.$$

Gaussian distributions: When $\mathbf{x} = (X_1, \dots, X_p) \sim \mathcal{N}_p(0, \Sigma)$

$(i, j) \in E \iff (\Sigma^{-1})_{ij} \neq 0$, entry of **precision matrix** is non-zero.

\implies Under Gaussian settings, estimating \mathbf{G} is equivalent to estimating the support of $\Omega = \Sigma^{-1}$, where Ω is the **Precision matrix**.

- **Graphical Lasso** (Friedman et al., 2008) – **penalized maximum likelihood** approach:

$$\hat{\Omega} = \arg \min_{\Omega \succeq 0} \left[\text{tr}(\mathbf{S}\Omega) - \log |\Omega| + \lambda \sum_{i \neq j} |\Omega_{ij}| \right].$$

- **Meinshausen and Bühlmann (2006)** – **penalized regression-based** approach: define the regression coefficients $\Theta_{ij} = -\Omega_{ij}/\Omega_{jj}$ for $i \neq j$ and $\Theta_{ii} = 0$:

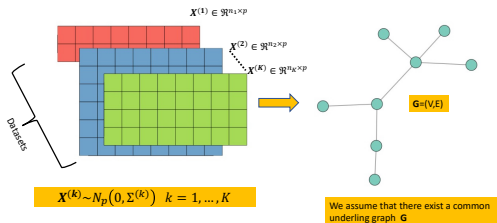
$$\hat{\Theta} = \arg \min_{\Theta \in \mathbb{R}^{p \times p} \atop \text{diag}=0} \left[\frac{1}{2N} \|\mathbf{X} - \mathbf{X}\Theta\|_F^2 + \lambda \sum_{i \neq j} |\Theta_{ij}| \right].$$

- Other (similar in the spirit) approaches...

Graphical models with multiple datasets

Nowadays, it is very common to collect several datasets $\mathbf{X}^{(1)}, \mathbf{X}^{(2)}, \dots, \mathbf{X}^{(K)}$ – same (or almost the same) variables, from different sources or technologies.

- Given K datasets $\mathbf{X}^{(1)}, \mathbf{X}^{(2)}, \dots, \mathbf{X}^{(K)}$ – same (or almost the same) variables, different sources.

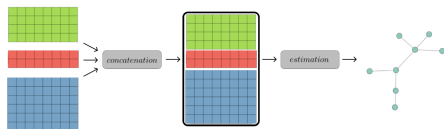


Hypothesis

$\mathbf{X}^{(k)} = (\mathbf{x}_1^{(k)}, \dots, \mathbf{x}_{n_k}^{(k)})^T \sim \mathcal{N}(0, \Sigma^{(k)})$, $k = 1, \dots, K$. **Different** covariance matrices $\Sigma^{(k)}$, **common** underlying graph G .

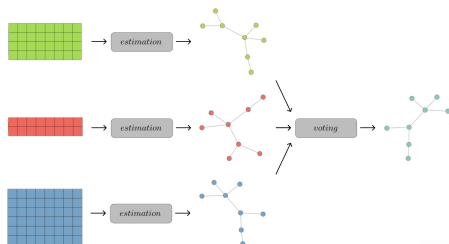
Naive approaches

Concatenation



- It works only when $p_k = p$
- Since $\Sigma^{(k)}$ can be different \rightarrow concatenation loses heterogeneity of datasets \rightarrow worse performance

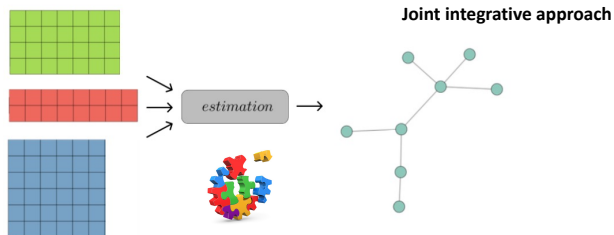
Voting



- Limited sample size n_k for some datasets \rightarrow worse overall results

Joint estimation of graphical models

Ideal solution – simultaneously analyze the K datasets and **jointly** estimate the common underlying graph \mathbf{G} .



How to do perform joint estimation? Extend penalized maximum likelihood and regression-based approaches!

Jewel minimization problem

Given $\mathbf{X}^{(k)} = (\mathbf{x}_1^{(k)}, \dots, \mathbf{x}_{n_k}^{(k)})^T \sim \mathcal{N}(0, \boldsymbol{\Sigma}^{(k)})$, $k = 1, \dots, K$, denote $\mathbf{G}_k = (V_k, E_k)$ the corresponding graphical models. Define $\Theta_{ij}^{(k)} = -\Omega_{ij}^{(k)} / \Omega_{jj}^{(k)}$ and assume that

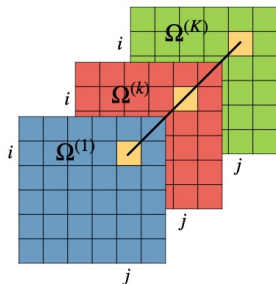
- 1 Most of the variables are **in common** among all K datasets;
- 2 $\forall i, j \in V_1 \cup \dots \cup V_K$ **edge** (i, j) is **either in all graphs \mathbf{G}_k or in none of the graphs** where vertices i, j are present;
- 3 $\text{supp}(\boldsymbol{\Omega}^{(k)}) = \text{supp}(\boldsymbol{\Theta}^{(k)})$ is **symmetric**.

$$\begin{aligned} (\hat{\boldsymbol{\Theta}}^{(1)}, \dots, \hat{\boldsymbol{\Theta}}^{(K)}) = & \arg \min_{\substack{\boldsymbol{\Theta}^{(1)} \in \mathbb{R}^{p_1 \times p_1} \\ \vdots \\ \boldsymbol{\Theta}^{(K)} \in \mathbb{R}^{p_K \times p_K}, \\ \text{diag}=0}} \left[\underbrace{\frac{1}{2} \sum_{k=1}^K \frac{1}{n_k} \|\mathbf{X}^{(k)} - \mathbf{X}^{(k)} \boldsymbol{\Theta}^{(k)}\|_F^2}_{\text{multitask goodness of fit}} + \lambda \underbrace{P(\boldsymbol{\Theta}^{(1)}, \dots, \boldsymbol{\Theta}^{(K)})}_{\text{joint penalty}} \right]. \end{aligned}$$

\Rightarrow The group penalty $P(\boldsymbol{\Theta}^{(1)}, \dots, \boldsymbol{\Theta}^{(K)})$ have to enforce the joint structure of \mathbf{G} .

The group penalty

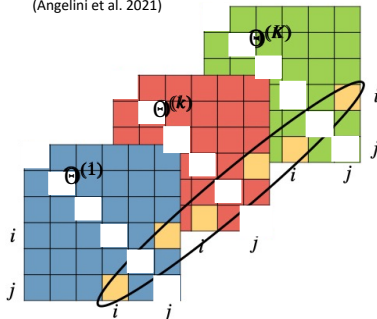
Group structure to enforce a common structure in \mathbf{G} , as in JGL (Danaher et al. 2014)



$\Omega^{(k)} \in \mathcal{R}^{p \times p}$ Precision matrix

$$\Omega_{i,j} = 0 \Leftrightarrow (i,j) \notin E$$

Group structure to enforce simultaneously a common structure in \mathbf{G} and the **symmetry** as in Jewel 1.0 (Angelini et al. 2021)



$$\Theta^{(k)}: \Theta_{i,j} = \begin{cases} \Omega_{i,j} & i \neq j \\ \Omega_{j,j} & i = j \\ 0 & \end{cases}$$

Group (i, j) : $(\Theta_{ij}^{(k)}, \Theta_{ji}^{(k)})_{k: \{X_i, X_j\} \subseteq V_k}$

$$g_{ij} = \text{card}((\Theta_{ij}^{(k)}, \Theta_{ji}^{(k)})_{k: \{X_i, X_j\} \subseteq V_k})$$

$$\text{If } p_k = p \implies g_{i,j} = 2K$$

Jewel minimization problem

$$(\hat{\Theta}^{(1)}, \dots, \hat{\Theta}^{(K)}) = \underset{\substack{\Theta^{(1)} \in \mathbb{R}^{P_1 \times P_1} \\ \vdots \\ \Theta^{(K)} \in \mathbb{R}^{P_K \times P_K}, \\ \text{diag}=0}}{\arg \min} \left[\underbrace{\frac{1}{2} \sum_{k=1}^K \frac{1}{n_k} \|\mathbf{X}^{(k)} - \mathbf{X}^{(k)} \Theta^{(k)}\|_F^2}_{\text{multitask goodness of fit}} + \lambda \underbrace{P(\Theta^{(1)}, \dots, \Theta^{(K)})}_{\text{joint penalty}} \right].$$

In *jewel* we propose **symmetric group lasso penalty**²

$$P(\hat{\Theta}^{(1)}, \dots, \hat{\Theta}^{(K)}) = \sum_{i < j=1}^P \sqrt{g_{ij}} \sqrt{\sum_{k: \{X_i, X_j\} \subseteq V_k} (\Theta_{ij}^{(k)})^2 + (\Theta_{ji}^{(k)})^2}.$$

where g_{ij} is the **size of the group** $(\Theta_{ij}^{(k)}, \Theta_{ji}^{(k)})_{k: \{X_i, X_j\} \subseteq V_k}$.

$$(\Theta_{ij}^{(k)}, \Theta_{ji}^{(k)})_{k: \{X_i, X_j\} \subseteq V_k} = 0 \implies (i, j) \text{ and } (j, i) \notin E.$$

²Inspired by Friedman et al. (2010) and De Canditiis and Guardasole (2018)

Jewel numerical algorithm (using group descent algorithm)

Idea of group descent algorithm³: Fix all the variables except one group and update it. Iterate until convergence.

- 1 For each i, j **evaluate** $\mathbf{z} = (z_{ij}^{(1)}, z_{ji}^{(1)}, \dots, z_{ij}^{(K)}, z_{ji}^{(K)}) \in \mathbb{R}^{2K}$ with entries

$$z_{ij}^{(k)} = -\frac{1}{n_k} \mathbf{X}_{.i}^{(k)T} \left(\mathbf{X}_{.j}^{(k)} - \sum_{m \neq i, j} \mathbf{X}_{.m}^{(k)} \Theta_{mj}^{(k)} \right)$$

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- 2 **Update** regression coefficients with multivariate soft-threshold operator

$$(\hat{\Theta}_{ij}^{(1)}, \hat{\Theta}_{ji}^{(1)}, \dots, \hat{\Theta}_{ij}^{(K)}, \hat{\Theta}_{ji}^{(K)}) = \left(1 - \frac{\lambda}{\|\mathbf{z}\|} \right)_+ \mathbf{z}.$$

- 3 **Repeat** for all i, j until convergence.

³Inspired by Breheny and Huang (2015)

Jewel implementation suggestions

- 1 **Active shooting:** Divide variables into **Active** and **Non-Active**. *jewel* updates only active variables. If $(\hat{\Theta}_{ij}^{(1)}, \hat{\Theta}_{ji}^{(1)}, \dots, \hat{\Theta}_{ij}^{(K)}, \hat{\Theta}_{ji}^{(K)}) \neq 0 \Rightarrow$ pair i, j is "Active". If it is 0 \Rightarrow the pair is "Non-Active".

$$\mathbf{Active} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

Once group is not active, we **do not update it anymore**. Active shooting provides advantage in runtime.

- 2 **Randomization:** instead of cycling $j = 1, \dots, p$, we update the variables in a random order. Empirically, provides advantage in running time for fixed value of λ .
- 3 **Warm-start:** Fix the grid $\lambda_1 < \lambda_2 < \dots < \lambda_L$, then use $\hat{\Theta}^{(1)}, \dots, \hat{\Theta}^{(K)}$, obtained with λ_l to initialize problem with λ_{l+1} .

Theoretical properties: Variable selection consistency

$$\mathbf{X} = \text{blkdiag} \left(\text{blkdiag} \left(\mathbf{X}_{-j}^{(k)} \right)_{j=1 \dots p} \right)_{k=1 \dots K}$$

$$\mathbf{D} = \text{blkdiag} \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{n_k}} \mathbf{I}_{n_k \times p} \right)_{k=1 \dots K} \quad \text{and} \quad \mathbf{C} = \mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{D}^2 \mathbf{X}.$$

S – set of active pairs i, j .

jewel minimization problem



$$\min_{\theta \in \mathbb{R}^{p(p-1)K}} \left\{ \frac{1}{2} \|\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{X}\theta\|_{\mathbf{D}}^2 + \lambda \sum_{i < j=1}^p \|\theta_{[ij]}\| \right\}.$$

Variable selection consistency

Suppose $\exists \delta > 0$ such that, with probability at least $1 - e^{-\delta/N}$, one has

- 1 \mathbf{C}_{SS} is invertible.
- 2 (Irrepresentable condition): $\exists \alpha \in (0, 1) : \forall (i, j) \in S^c$
 - 1 $\left\| \left[\mathbf{C}_{S^c S} \mathbf{C}_{SS}^{-1} \tau \right]_{ij} \right\| \leq \alpha \forall \tau \in \mathbb{R}^{2Ks} : \max_{(i,j) \in S} \|\tau_{[ij]}\|_2 \leq 1$
 - 2 $\lambda \geq \frac{2}{1-\alpha} \|\mathbf{W}_{[ij]}\|$
- 3 (Signal strength): $\forall (i, j) \in S$ it holds

$$\lambda < \left\{ \|\theta_{[ij]}^0\|_2 - \|\mathbf{W}_{[ij]}\| \right\} \left\| \left[\mathbf{C}_{SS}^{-1} \tau \right]_{[ij]} \right\|^{-1} \quad \forall \tau \in \mathbb{R}^{2Ks} : \max_{(i,j) \in S} \|\tau_{[ij]}\|_2 \leq 1$$

$$\Downarrow$$

$$\mathbb{P}(\hat{E} = E) \geq 1 - e^{-\delta/N},$$

where E is the true edge set and \hat{E} is the estimated edge set.



Theorem conditions are similar to those in Basu, Shojaie and Michailidis (2015).

However, it is hard to verify them in practice, since they depend on some unknown quantities

The choice of the regularization parameter λ

Fix the grid $\lambda_1 < \lambda_2 < \dots < \lambda_L$.

- **Bayesian information criterion:** for each λ_l evaluate

$$BIC(\lambda_l) = \sum_{k=1}^K n_k \sum_{i=1}^p \log \left\| R_{\cdot, i}^{(k)} \right\|^2 + \#\{Active_{ij}(\lambda_l) \neq 0\} \sum_{k=1}^K \log n_k$$

and $\lambda_{BIC} = \arg \min_{\lambda_l, l=1 \dots L} BIC(\lambda_l)$.

- **Cross-validation:** split the data into F folds \Rightarrow for each fold and each λ_l obtain $\hat{\Theta}_{-f}^{(k)}(\lambda_l)$, $k = 1, \dots, K$ with training data \Rightarrow evaluate its error with testing data

$$err(f, l) = \sum_{k=1}^K \frac{1}{n_k^f} \left\| \mathbf{x}_f^{(k)} - \mathbf{x}_f^{(k)} \hat{\Theta}_{-f}^{(k)}(\lambda_l) \right\|_F^2.$$

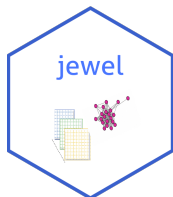
Combine errors over folds $CV(\lambda_l) = \frac{1}{F} \sum_{f=1}^F err(f, l)$ and

$$\lambda_{CV} = \arg \min_{\lambda_l, l=1 \dots L} CV(\lambda_l)$$

\Rightarrow Can use **warm start** for BIC and CV.

Jewel R package

jewel 1.0 method is implemented in the R package `jewel`, open-source and freely available at <https://github.com/annaplaksienko/jewel>.



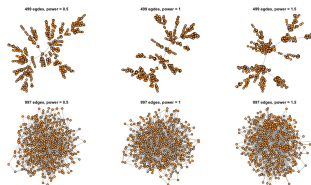
`jewel` 1.0 R package contains:

- Function for *jewel* method;
- Functions for estimating λ with BIC and CV
- Data generation function for simulation
- Function for performance comparison (TP, TN, FP, FN evaluation).

The package exploits **R parallel** functions to speed-up the calculation.

Simulations scheme

- We generated simulated datasets $\mathbf{X}^{(1)}, \mathbf{X}^{(2)}, \dots, \mathbf{X}^{(K)}$ encoding a common graph \mathbf{G} with different number of samples n , different number of variables p and including a different number of data matrices \mathbf{K}
- We considered several structures for modeling the graph \mathbf{G} as Scale-free graph (Barabasi algorithm)



We assessed

- Performance when increasing the number of data matrices \mathbf{K} .
- Advantages of the *jewel* joint approach over the naive approaches.
- Influence of various parameters.
- Performance of *jewel* compared to other existing methods (JGL and Guo et al.)

Measures of performance

- Since different methods use λ with different normalizations \Rightarrow we compared them using the **ROC-curve**, i.e. FPR vs TPR evaluated for various λ values.

$$TPR = \frac{TP}{TP + FN} \quad \text{and} \quad FPR = \frac{FP}{FP + TN}.$$

We used a grid of 50 λ (uniform in log scale) from 0.01 to 1.

- Running time = elapsed time in seconds on 4-core 3.6GHz processor and 16GB RAM computer.
- TPR, FPR and running time reported on average over **20 runs**.

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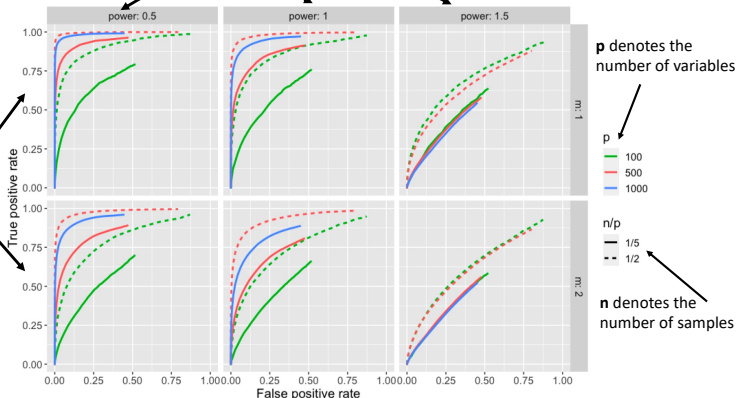
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Selection of Simulations Results

- Here $K=3$
- $p > n$ (high dimensional regime)

Parameter power tunes the hubs in G

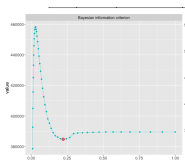
Parameter m controls the sparsity of the true graph G as # edges $mp - (2m-1)$



Real data applications: Glioblastoma microarray gene expression data from GEO.

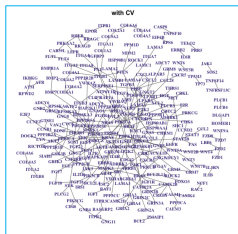
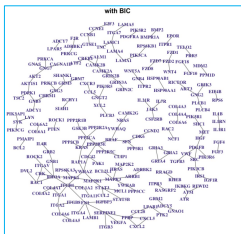
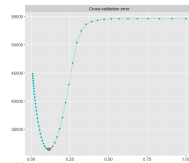
K = 3 datasets (Affymetrix Array GSE4290 and GSE7696, Agilent Microarray GSE22866);

$n_1 = 40$ $n_2 = 77$ $n_3 = 80$ and **p = 483** genes common to 7 pathways.



	λ_{OPT}	# est. edges
BIC	0.2223	3113/116403
CV	0.1151	7272/116403

Comparison with



Preliminary Conclusions

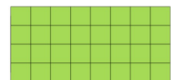
- *Jewel 1.0* is a novel method to jointly estimate \mathbf{G} given several datasets.
- It has nice theoretical properties, open-source R package, and includes data driven methods for estimating the regularization parameter.
- Simulations and Real Data analysis showed competitive performance of *Jewel 1.0* compared to other methods.

However,

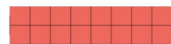
- All methods, including *Jewel*, returned a relatively **large number of false positives** \implies there is still space for improving.
- All methods, including *Jewel*, showed a **lack of performance** when the graph \mathbf{G} contains **hubs** \implies there is still space for improving.
- Need to extend to the model allowing **class-specific differences** in $\mathbf{G}_1, \mathbf{G}_2, \dots, \mathbf{G}_K \implies$ *Jewel 2.0*.

Jewel 2.0 is our novel proposal to address the above mentioned limits.

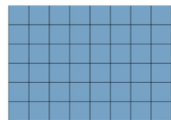
Jewel 2.0 general idea: Common and Specific part



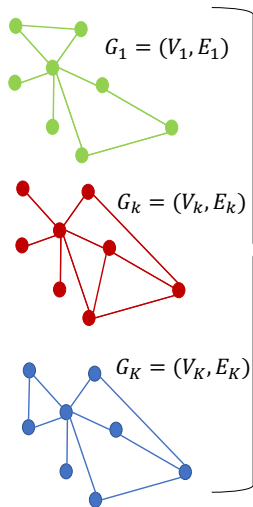
$$X^{(1)} \sim N_p(0, \Sigma^{(1)})$$



$$X^{(k)} \sim N_p(0, \Sigma^{(k)})$$

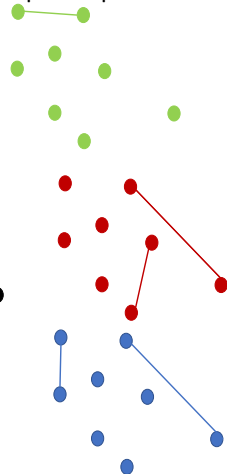


$$X^{(K)} \sim N_p(0, \Sigma^{(K)})$$



Common Graph G

Case Specific Graph



The Jewel 2.0 minimization problem

For $k = 1 \dots K$ we set

$$\Theta^{(k)} = \Xi^{(k)} + \Gamma^{(k)},$$

where matrices $\Xi^{(k)}$ aims to capture the common part among the K classes, while $\Gamma^{(k)}$ are class-specific.

$$\begin{aligned} (\hat{\Xi}^{(1)}, \hat{\Gamma}^{(1)}, \dots, \hat{\Xi}^{(K)}, \hat{\Gamma}^{(K)}) = \\ \arg \min_{\substack{\Xi^{(1)}, \Gamma^{(1)} \in \mathbb{R}^{p_1 \times p_1} \\ \vdots \\ \Xi^{(k)}, \Gamma^{(k)} \in \mathbb{R}^{p_k \times p_k}, \\ \text{diag}=0}} \left\{ \frac{1}{2} \sum_{k=1}^K \frac{1}{n_k} \|\mathbf{X}^{(k)} - \mathbf{X}^{(k)}\Xi^{(k)} - \mathbf{X}^{(k)}\Gamma^{(k)}\|_F^2 + \right. \\ \left. + \lambda_1 P_1(\Xi^{(1)}, \dots, \Xi^{(K)}) + \lambda_2 P_2(\Gamma^{(1)}, \dots, \Gamma^{(K)}) \right\}. \end{aligned}$$

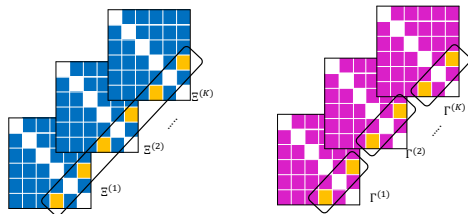
where $P_1(\Xi^{(1)}, \dots, \Xi^{(K)})$ is a penalty term for the common part, and $P_2(\Xi^{(1)}, \dots, \Xi^{(K)})$ for the class specific differences.

The Jewel 2.0 minimization problem

We choose

$$P_1(\Xi^{(1)}, \dots, \Xi^{(K)}) = \sum_{i < j = 1}^p \sqrt{g_{ij}} \sqrt{\sum_{k: \{X_i, X_j\} \in V_k} \left(\Xi_{ij}^{(k)}\right)^2 + \left(\Xi_{ji}^{(k)}\right)^2}$$

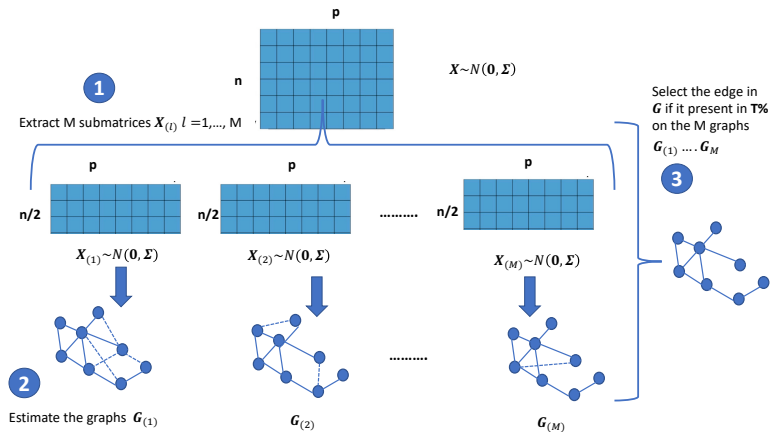
$$P_2(\Gamma^{(1)}, \dots, \Gamma^{(K)}) = \sum_{i < j = 1}^p \sqrt{2} \sum_{k: \{X_i, X_j\} \in V_k} \sqrt{\left(\Gamma_{ij}^{(k)}\right)^2 + \left(\Gamma_{ji}^{(k)}\right)^2}$$



⇒ We solve the problem using the **Group descent algorithm**.

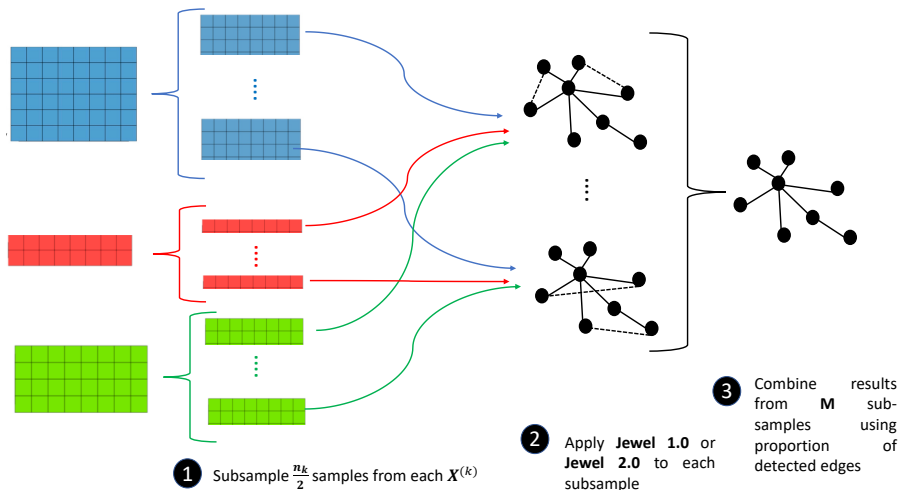
The stability selection approach

- Stability selection aims to reduce the number of false positives by retaining only the edges that consistently appear in different runs.
- We extended the idea of Stability Selection algorithm⁴ to K datasets.



⁴Meinshausen and Bühlmann (2010)

The stability selection approach with multiple datasets



Weighted minimization for handling Hubs

- **Hubs** are nodes with a large number of edges. The **degree** d_j of node j is given by the number of edges $\{(i, j), i = 1, \dots, p\} \in E$
- We added weights $W_{i,j}$ to the penalty terms to reduce the penalization of hubs.

Let $W_{i,j} = W_{j,i} > 0$, $i = 1, \dots, p; j = 1, \dots, p$ with $W_{ii} = 0$ the elements of a matrix of weights. We can consider the **weighed penalization** terms:

$$P_1(\Xi^{(1)}, \dots, \Xi^{(K)}) = \sum_{i < j = 1}^p \sqrt{g_{ij}} W_{i,j} \sqrt{\sum_{k: \{X_i, X_j\} \in V_k} (\Xi_{ij}^{(k)})^2 + (\Xi_{ji}^{(k)})^2}$$

$$P_2(\Gamma^{(1)}, \dots, \Gamma^{(K)}) = \sum_{i < j = 1}^p \sqrt{2} W_{i,j} \sum_{k: \{X_i, X_j\} \in V_k} \sqrt{(\Gamma_{ij}^{(k)})^2 + (\Gamma_{ji}^{(k)})^2}$$

⇒ We can choose

$$W_{i,j} \propto \frac{1}{\sqrt{d_i * d_j}}$$

⇒ Nodes that have higher degree are less penalized.

Simulations

- For given number of vertices p we generated a **scale-free graph** \mathbf{G} with Barabasi algorithm⁵.
- We introduced changes to a graph $K - 1$ times (to obtain K similar graphs \mathbf{G}_k) with the **rewire** function⁶, i.e., we changed the vertexes connections keeping the order of the graph and the degree distribution the same.
- We use G_k , $k = 1, \dots, K$ as support to generate precision matrices $\mathbf{\Omega}^{(k)}$, then covariance matrices $\mathbf{\Sigma}^{(k)}$ and data matrices $\mathbf{X}^{(k)} \sim \mathcal{N}(0, \mathbf{\Sigma}^{(k)})$ with given number of samples n .

In **Jewel 2.0** we optimize⁷ over λ_1 and we fixed $\lambda_2 = 1.4 * \lambda_1$

⁵We can control sparsity with m parameter and hub-structure with parameter *power*

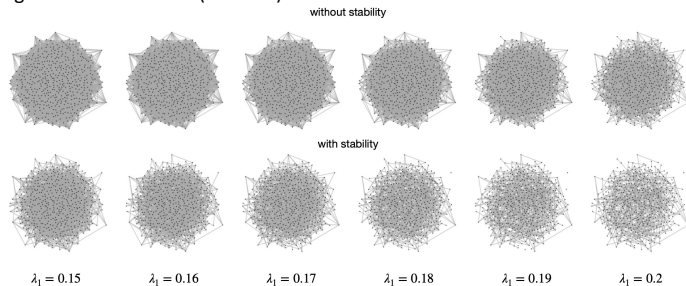
⁶we can control the amount of changes

⁷We are working to a data driven procedure for estimating both λ_1 and λ_2

Stability selection performance

$K = 3$, $p = 500$, $n = 100$,
 $m = 1$, power = 1,
#edges = 499 in each matrix
#edges in common = 370 (26% diff)

$\lambda_2 = 1.4\lambda_1$
nsubsets = 20
fraction = 0.6



- When applying stability selection procedure for a fixed λ the number of edges decreases. However, most of the removed edges turn to be false positive \implies the False Positive Rate improves at the price of a smaller loss of Power.

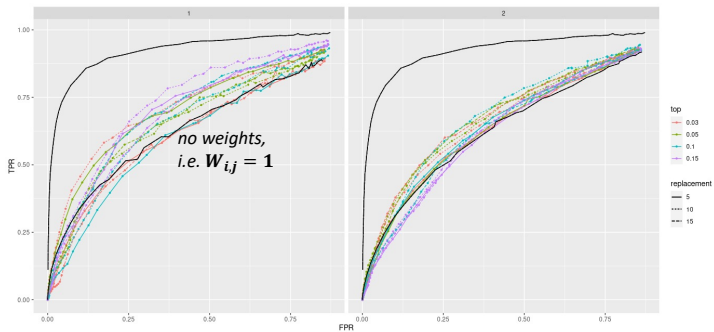
\implies for a proper range of λ , the **accuracy improves**.

Performance in Networks with Hubs

$K = 3$, $p = 200$, $n = 100$,
power = 1.5 (bigger hubs)
 $m = 1$ (#edges = 199) and $m = 2$ (#edges = 397)

50 λ_1 from 0.01 to 1.5
 $\lambda_2 = 1.4\lambda_1$
Averaged results over 5 runs

$$W_{i,j} = \frac{1}{\max W_{i,j}} \frac{1}{\sqrt{d_i d_j}}$$



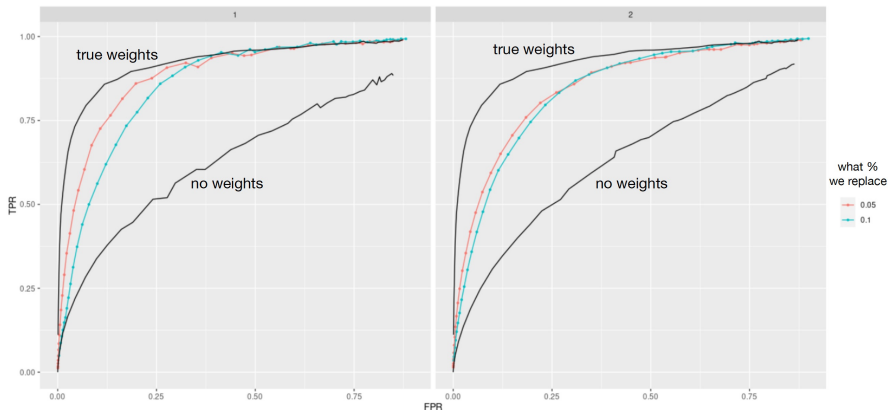
We are now exploring several ways for estimating the node degrees d_k .

Performance in Detecting Hubs

$K = 3$, $p = 200$, $n = 100$,
power = 1.5 (bigger hubs)
 $m = 1$ (#edges = 199), min degree = 1

$\lambda_2 = 1.4\lambda_1$
nruns = 5

$m = 2$ (#edges = 397), min degree = 2



Indeed, it might sufficient only to identify **hubs**.

Conclusions

- *Jewel 1.0* and *Jewel 2.0* are novel methods to jointly estimate the conditional probability graphs \mathbf{G}_k from several datasets, allowing to capture both **common** and **case-specific** parts.
- With *Jewel 2.0*, we also handle the **presence of hubs**, and **reduce the False Positive edges**.
- For *Jewel 1.0* we released an open-source **R-package**.
- We showed the competitive performance of both approaches in extensive **simulations** and **real-data** analyses.

However, *Jewel 2.0* is still under active development.

- We need finding automatic criterion for the choice of the regularization parameters (both in the classical setting and when we use the stability selection procedure).
- We need finding suitable (easy to compute) estimates for hub-weights.
- We need releasing the final open-source *Jewel 2.0* R-package.

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Conditional dependency

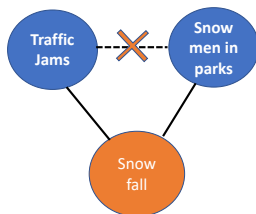
When there is a snow storm in Paris, we observe both huge traffic jams and plenty of snowmen in parks. So there is a strong correlation (and thus dependence) between the size of the parisian traffic jams and the number of snowmen in parks in Paris.

Of course, snowmen do not cause traffic jams. Traffic jams and snowmen are correlated only because they are both induced by snow falls. These causality relationships are represented in the side picture by edges.

Conditional dependencies better reflect these relationships. Actually, conditionally in the snow falls, the size of the traffic jams and the number of snowmen are likely to be independent.



Figure 7.1 *Difference between dependence and conditional dependence.*



From C. Giraud *“Introduction to High dimensional statistics”*

Graphical models (Definitions)

- Two random variables (X_i, X_j) of a random vector $\mathbf{x} = (X_1, \dots, X_p)$ are **conditionally independent** \iff

$$f(X_i, X_j | X_{\{l, l \neq i, j\}}) = f(X_i | X_{\{l, l \neq i, j\}}) f(X_j | X_{\{l, l \neq i, j\}}).$$

- A graph $\mathbf{G} = (V, E)$ is an **undirected graphical model** with respect to the random vector \mathbf{x} , if it satisfies the *pairwise Markov property*:

$$\forall i, j : (i, j) \notin E, i \neq j \Rightarrow X_i \perp\!\!\!\perp X_j | X_{\{l, l \neq i, j\}}.$$

- Important case – **Gaussian distribution**, $\mathbf{x} = (X_1, \dots, X_p) \sim \mathcal{N}_p(0, \mathbf{\Sigma})$. Then edge $(i, j) \in E \iff (\mathbf{\Sigma}^{-1})_{ij} \neq 0$, entry of **precision matrix** is non-zero.

\implies Under Gaussian settings, estimating \mathbf{G} is equivalent to estimating the support of $\mathbf{\Omega} = \mathbf{\Sigma}^{-1}$, where $\mathbf{\Omega}$ is the **Precision matrix**.

Note

$\text{supp}(\mathbf{\Omega}) \in \{0, 1\}^{p \times p}$ is the **Adjacency matrix** of the graph \mathbf{G} .

Maximum likelihood approach

Classical Inference: Given $\mathbf{X} = (\mathbf{x}_1, \dots, \mathbf{x}_N)^T \in R^{N \times p}$ we want to estimate \mathbf{G} .

Consider the **Precision matrix** $\mathbf{\Omega} = \mathbf{\Sigma}^{-1} \in R^{p \times p}$

and the **Empirical covariance matrix** $\mathbf{S} = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N \mathbf{x}_i^T \mathbf{x}_i \in R^{p \times p}$

Under Gaussian settings, the **Log-likelihood** function is

$$\log \mathcal{L}(\mathbf{\Omega}) = \text{tr}(\mathbf{S}\mathbf{\Omega}) - \log |\mathbf{\Omega}|$$

therefore, the **maximum likelihood estimate** $\hat{\mathbf{\Omega}} = \mathbf{S}^{-1}$ where $\hat{\mathbf{\Omega}} \rightarrow \mathbf{\Omega}$ as $N \rightarrow \infty$, and $\hat{\mathbf{G}} = \text{supp}(\mathbf{\Omega})$

However,

- 1 when $p \gg N$, matrix \mathbf{S} is not invertible;
- 2 MLE is not *sparse* \Rightarrow the graph \mathbf{G} is not explicative.

Jewel 1.0 numerical algorithm

Algorithm 1 The *jewel* algorithm

INPUT: $\mathbf{X}^{(1)}, \dots, \mathbf{X}^{(K)}$, λ , tol and t_{\max}

INITIALIZE:

$\Theta^{(1,0)}, \dots, \Theta^{(K,0)}$

$\mathbf{R}^{(k)} = \mathbf{X}^{(k)} - \mathbf{X}^{(k)} \Theta^{(k,0)}$, $k = 1 \dots K$

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$$\mathbf{Active} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & \dots & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & & 1 \\ \vdots & & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

REPEAT UNTIL CONVERGENCE

for $j = 1 \dots p$ do

for $i = j + 1 \dots p$ do

if $\mathbf{Active}_{ij} \neq 0$

evaluate $\mathbf{z} = (z_{ij}^{(1)}, z_{ij}^{(1)}, \dots, z_{ij}^{(K)}, z_{ij}^{(K)})$ by

2

$$\begin{cases} z_{ij}^{(k)} = \frac{1}{n_k} \mathbf{X}_{.i}^{(k)T} \mathbf{R}_{.j}^{(k)} + \Theta_{ij}^{(k,t)} \\ z_{ij}^{(k)} = \frac{1}{n_k} \mathbf{X}_{.j}^{(k)T} \mathbf{R}_{.i}^{(k)} + \Theta_{ij}^{(k,t)} \end{cases}$$

evaluate $threshold = 1 - \lambda / \|\mathbf{z}\|$

if $threshold < 0$ then

$\mathbf{Active}_{ij} \leftarrow 0$ and $\mathbf{z} \leftarrow \mathbf{0}$

else

$\mathbf{z} \leftarrow \mathbf{z} \cdot threshold$ ←

end if

update residuals

4

$$\begin{cases} R_{.j}^{(k)} = R_{.j}^{(k)} + \mathbf{X}_{.i}^{(k)} (\Theta_{ij}^{(k,t)} - z_{ij}^{(k)}) \\ R_{.i}^{(k)} = R_{.i}^{(k)} + \mathbf{X}_{.j}^{(k)} (\Theta_{ij}^{(k,t)} - z_{ij}^{(k)}) \end{cases}$$

update

$(\Theta_{ij}^{(1,t)}, \Theta_{ij}^{(1,t)}, \dots, \Theta_{ij}^{(K,t)}, \Theta_{ij}^{(K,t)}) \leftarrow \mathbf{z}$

coefficients

end for

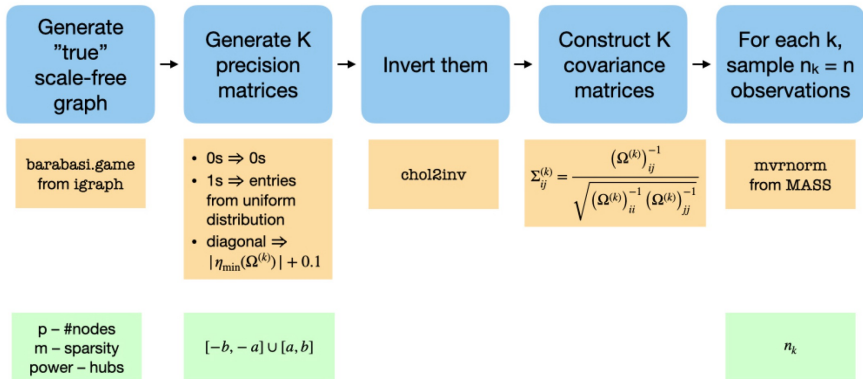
end for

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Stop if $\frac{\sum_k |\Theta^{(k,t+1)} - \Theta^{(k,t)}|}{\sum_k |\Theta^{(k,t)}|} < tol$ or $t > t_{\max}$

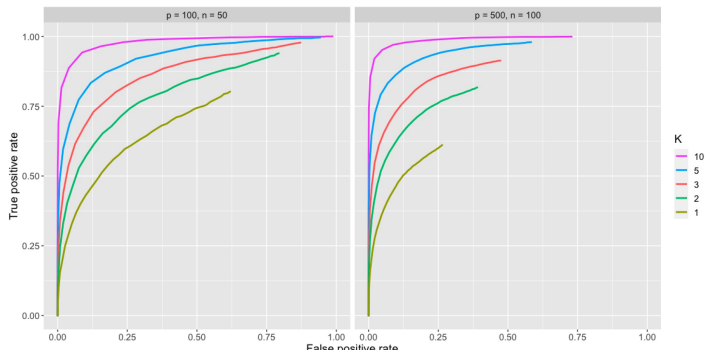
OUTPUT: **Active**

Simulation Scheme



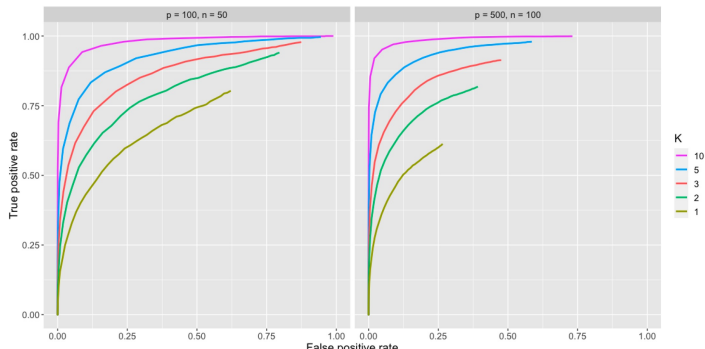
Performance of Jewel 1.0 when increasing the number of datasets

- 1 Generate $K = 10$ datasets $\mathbf{X}^{(1)}, \dots, \mathbf{X}^{(K)}$ for $p = 100, n_k = 50$ and for $p = 500, n_k = 100$. Repeat 20 times.
- 2 Apply *jewel*, evaluate average TPR and FPR.
- 3 In each run, sample $K = 5$ matrices, repeat.
- 4 In each run subsample $K = 3, K = 2, K = 1$ matrices, repeat.



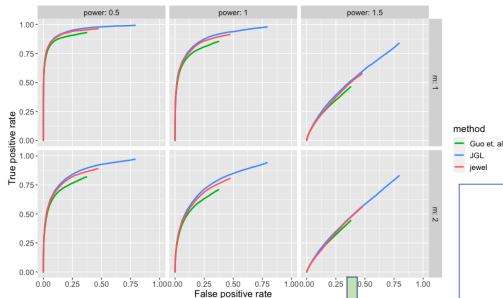
Performance of Jewel 1.0 compared to Naive integration approaches

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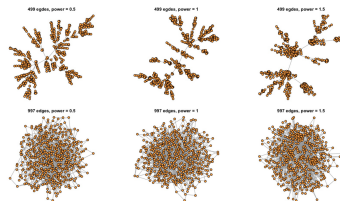


Performance of Jewel 1.0 compared with other methods

- ▶ **JGL**: package JGL, group penalty, $\lambda_1 = 0$ so all $\text{supp}(\hat{\Omega}^{(k)})$ are the same.
- ▶ **Guo et al. proposal**: code was provided by authors; $\hat{\mathbf{A}} = \cup_k \text{supp}(\hat{\Omega}^{(k)})$
- ▶ **K = 3, p = 500, n_k = 100.**



Lack of performance for all methods in presence of hubs



	<i>jewel</i>	JGL	Guo et. al
$\lambda = 0.01$	≈ 7 min	≈ 11.5 min	≈ 66 min
$\lambda = 0.1$	41.2 sec	80.2 sec	≈ 2.6 min
$\lambda = 0.2$	26.3 sec	73.8 sec	73.7 sec
$\lambda = 0.52$	26.3 sec	0.3 sec	22.9 sec
$\lambda = 0.83$	26.3 sec	0.1 sec	12.1 sec
$\lambda = 1$	22.7 sec	0.1 sec	10.9 sec
grid of 50 λ	≈ 1.5 hours	≈ 3.4 hours	≈ 8.4 hours

Table: Running time for *jewel*, JGL and Guo et al. proposal for $K = 3, p = 500, n_k = 100, m = 1$ and $power = 1$.

With warm up *jewel* is even faster (several minutes for the whole grid).

→ We also proved that with a **random update order** the algorithm converge even faster

Jewel 2.0 numerical algorithm

Algorithm: Jewel 2.0 Algorithm

INPUT: $\mathbf{X}^{(1)}, \dots, \mathbf{X}^{(K)}$, $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, tol$ and t_{max}

INITIALIZE:

$\Xi^{(1,0)}, \dots, \Xi^{(K,0)}$

$\Gamma^{(1,0)}, \dots, \Gamma^{(K,0)}$

$\mathbf{Rg}^{(k)} = \mathbf{Rxi}^{(k)} = \mathbf{X}^{(k)} - \mathbf{X}^{(k)}\Gamma^{(k,0)} - \mathbf{X}^{(k)}\Xi^{(k,0)}$

$\mathbf{Active} = \mathbf{Active}^{(k)} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & \dots & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & & 1 \\ \vdots & \ddots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 \end{pmatrix} \forall k$

REPEAT UNTIL CONVERGENCE

Fix specific part $\Gamma^{(1,t)}, \dots, \Gamma^{(K,t)}$, update COMMON part.

Generate $order_{\Gamma}$ by resampling from 1 to p .

for $j \in order_{\Gamma}$ do

for $i = j + 1, \dots, p$ do

if $Active_{ij} \neq 0$

evaluate $\mathbf{z}_{\Xi} = (z_{ij}^{(1)}, z_{ji}^{(1)}, \dots, z_{ij}^{(K)}, z_{ji}^{(K)})$ by

$$z_{ij}^{(k)} = \frac{1}{n_k} \mathbf{X}_i^{(k)T} \mathbf{Rxi}_j^{(k)} + \Xi_{ij}^{(k,t)}$$

$$z_{ji}^{(k)} = \frac{1}{n_k} \mathbf{X}_j^{(k)T} \mathbf{Rxi}_i^{(k)} + \Xi_{ji}^{(k,t)}$$

evaluate $threshold = 1 - \lambda_1 / \|\mathbf{z}\|$

if $threshold < 0$ then

Active_{ij} ← 0 and $\mathbf{z} \leftarrow \mathbf{0}$

else

$\mathbf{z} \leftarrow \mathbf{z} \cdot threshold$

end if

update residuals

$$\mathbf{Rxi}_j^{(k)} = \mathbf{Rxi}_j^{(k)} + \mathbf{X}_i^{(k)} (\Xi_{ij}^{(k,t)} - z_{ij}^{(k)})$$

$$\mathbf{Rxi}_i^{(k)} = \mathbf{Rxi}_i^{(k)} + \mathbf{X}_j^{(k)} (\Xi_{ji}^{(k,t)} - z_{ji}^{(k)})$$

update coefficients $(\Xi_{ij}^{(k,t+1)}, \Xi_{ji}^{(k,t+1)}, \dots, \Xi_{ij}^{(K,t+1)}, \Xi_{ji}^{(K,t+1)}) \leftarrow \mathbf{z}$

end for

end for

Update $\mathbf{Rg}^{(k)} = \mathbf{X}^{(k)} - \mathbf{X}^{(k)}\Gamma^{(k,t)} - \mathbf{X}^{(k)}\Xi^{(k,t)}$

Fix $\Gamma^{(1)}, \dots, \Gamma^{(K)}$
Update Common part
 $\Xi^{(1)}, \dots, \Xi^{(K)}$

Fix common part $\Xi^{(1,0)}, \dots, \Xi^{(K,0)}$, update SPECIFIC

Generate $order_{\Gamma}$ by resampling from 1 to p .

for $k = 1 \dots K$ do

for $j \in order_{\Gamma}$ do

for $i = j + 1 \dots p$ do

if $Active_{ij}^{(k)} \neq 0$

evaluate $\mathbf{z}_r = (z_{ij}^{(k)}, z_{ji}^{(k)})$ by

$$z_{ij}^{(k)} = \frac{1}{n_k} \mathbf{X}_i^{(k)T} \mathbf{Rg}_j^{(k)} + \Gamma_{ij}^{(k,t)}$$

$$z_{ji}^{(k)} = \frac{1}{n_k} \mathbf{X}_j^{(k)T} \mathbf{Rg}_i^{(k)} + \Gamma_{ji}^{(k,t)}$$

evaluate $threshold = 1 - \lambda_2 / \|\mathbf{z}\|$

if $threshold < 0$ then

Active_{ij} ← 0 and $\mathbf{z} \leftarrow \mathbf{0}$

else

$\mathbf{z} \leftarrow \mathbf{z} \cdot threshold$

end if

update residuals

$$\mathbf{Rg}_j^{(k)} = \mathbf{Rg}_j^{(k)} + \mathbf{X}_i^{(k)} (\Gamma_{ij}^{(k,t)} - z_{ij}^{(k)})$$

$$\mathbf{Rg}_i^{(k)} = \mathbf{Rg}_i^{(k)} + \mathbf{X}_j^{(k)} (\Gamma_{ji}^{(k,t)} - z_{ji}^{(k)})$$

update coefficients $(\Gamma_{ij}^{(k,t+1)}, \Gamma_{ji}^{(k,t+1)}) \leftarrow \mathbf{z}$

end for

end for

end for

Update $\mathbf{Rxi}^{(k,t+1)} = \mathbf{X}^{(k)} - \mathbf{X}^{(k)}\Gamma^{(k,t)} - \mathbf{X}^{(k)}\Xi^{(k,t)}$

Combine $\Theta^{(k,t+1)} = \Xi^{(k,t+1)} + \Gamma^{(k,t+1)}$

Stop if $\frac{\sum_k |\Theta^{(k,t+1)} - \Theta^{(k,t)}|}{\sum_k |\Theta^{(k,t)}|} < tol$ or $t > t_{max}$

OUTPUT:

$\hat{\mathbf{G}}^{(k)} = \text{supp } \Theta^{(k)}$;

$\hat{\mathbf{G}} = \cap_k \hat{\mathbf{G}}^{(k)}$

Fix $\Xi^{(1)}, \dots, \Xi^{(K)}$
Update Specific part
 $\Gamma^{(1)}, \dots, \Gamma^{(K)}$

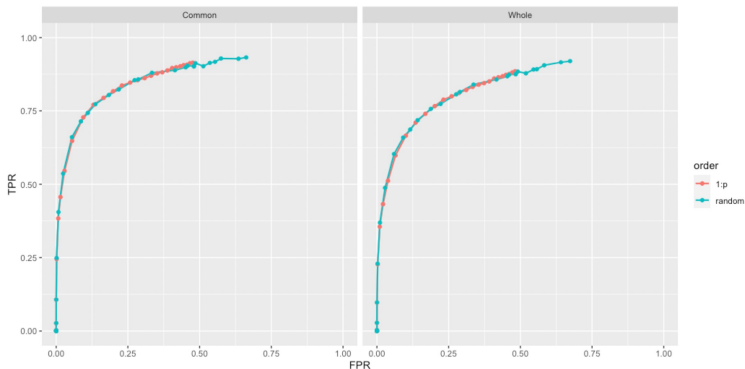
Update Residuals

Update
 $\Theta^{(k)} = \Xi^{(k)} + \Gamma^{(k)}$

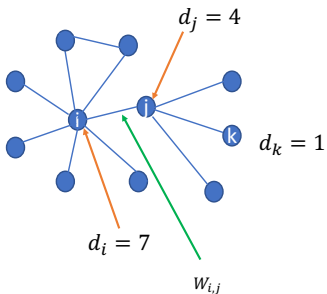
Randomized update performance

Randomizing the group update order does not affect the performance but decreases running time.

→ Empirically, we showed that the algorithm converges faster (i.e., it reduces the number of iterations), retaining the same performance.



Incorporating Network Topology for Detecting Hubs



The node degree is equal to the number of node neighbors.

Biological Networks have a scale-free degree distribution → few nodes that are hubs and several nodes with small degree

