

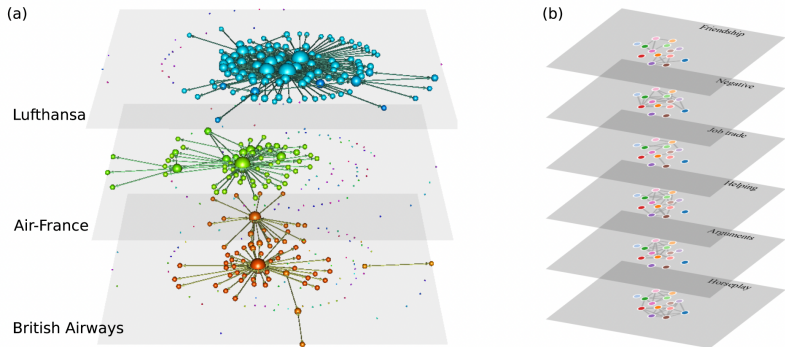
# Online Change Point Localisation in Multilayer Random Dot Product Graph Models

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# Multilayer Networks



**Figure:** Visualisation of two multilayer networks. (a) Air transportation network from [Cardillo et al. \(2013\)](#). (b) Bank-wiring room network from [Roethlisberger and Dickson \(2003\)](#).

# A Single Multilayer Random Dot Product Graph (MRDPG)

# Adjacency Tensors

## Definition (Adjacency tensor)

The adjacency tensor  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n_1 \times n_2 \times L}$  of a multilayer network  $\mathcal{G} = (\mathcal{V}_1, \mathcal{V}_2, \mathcal{E}, \mathcal{L})$ , is defined as

$$A_{i,j,l} = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } (i, j, l) \in \mathcal{E}, \\ 0, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

with

- ▶ node sets  $\mathcal{V}_1 = \{1, \dots, n_1\}$  and  $\mathcal{V}_2 = \{1, \dots, n_2\}$ ;
- ▶ a layer set  $\mathcal{L} = \{1, \dots, L\}$ ;
- ▶ a edge set  $\mathcal{E} \subseteq \{(i, j, l) : i \in \mathcal{V}_1, j \in \mathcal{V}_2, \text{ and } l \in \mathcal{L}\}$ .

# Latent Position Models

**The latent position model** is defined as follows.

1. Each node  $i$  is mapped to a vector  $X_i \in \mathcal{X}$  with some underlying latent space  $\mathcal{X} \subset \mathbb{R}^d$ .
2. Conditional on latent positions, the  $i$ -th and  $j$ -th nodes connect independently with probability  $K(X_i, X_j)$  with the function  $K : \mathcal{X} \times \mathcal{X} \rightarrow [0, 1]$ .

**The random dot product graph (RDPG)** is an especially tractable latent position model with the function  $K$  satisfies  $K(x, y) = x^\top y$ .

# MRDPGs

## Definition (MRDPGs)

Let  $\{X_i\}_{i=1}^{n_1}, \{Y_j\}_{j=1}^{n_2} \subset \mathbb{R}^d$  be mutually independent random vectors generated from  $F$  and  $\tilde{F}$ , respectively.

We say that  $A$  is an adjacency tensor of a MRDPG, with random distributed latent positions  $\{X_i\}_{i=1}^{n_1}, \{Y_j\}_{j=1}^{n_2}$  and fixed weight matrices  $\{W_{(l)}\}_{l=1}^L \subset \mathbb{R}^{d \times d}$ , if

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{P}\{A | \{X_i\}_{i=1}^{n_1}, \{Y_j\}_{j=1}^{n_2}\} &= \prod_{i,j,l=1}^{n_1, n_2, L} P_{i,j,l}^{A_{i,j,l}} (1 - P_{i,j,l})^{1-A_{i,j,l}} \\ &= \prod_{i,j,l=1}^{n_1, n_2, L} (X_i^\top W_{(l)} Y_j)^{A_{i,j,l}} (1 - X_i^\top W_{(l)} Y_j)^{1-A_{i,j,l}}. \end{aligned}$$

# Estimation Methods for MRDPGs

- ▶ **The unfolded adjacency spectral embeddings (UASE) method** was proposed by [Jones and Rubin-Delanchy \(2020\)](#);
- ▶ **Maximum likelihood estimators (MLEs)** were introduced in [Zhang et al. \(2020\)](#);
- ▶ **Convex optimization estimators in combination with a nuclear norm penalty** were proposed by [MacDonald et al. \(2022\)](#).

# Tensor Based Estimation Methods

## Low-rank tensor estimation:

- ▶ **The higher order SVD (HOSVD)** method was introduced by [De Lathauwer et al. \(2000b\)](#);
- ▶ **The higher order orthogonal iteration (HOOI)** method was introduced by [De Lathauwer et al. \(2000a\)](#).
- ▶ **The tensor heteroskedastic principal component analysis (TH-PCA)** algorithm proposed by [Han et al. \(2022\)](#) who applied **the heteroskedastic principal component analysis (H-PCA)** algorithm introduced in [Zhang et al. \(2018\)](#) to accommodate heteroskedastic noise.

We use the TH-PCA algorithm as the main algorithm for estimating a single MRDPG.



# Theoretical Results

## Theorem (Estimation error bound)

*Under some regularity conditions, it holds with a high probability that*

$$\|\widehat{P} - P\|_{\mathbb{F}}^2 \lesssim d^2 m + n_1 d + n_2 d + Lm$$

where

- ▶  $\widehat{P}$  is the output of the TH-PCA algorithm;
- ▶  $d$  is the dimension of the latent position;
- ▶  $m$  is the rank of the matrix related to the weight matrices  $\{W_{(l)}\}_{l=1}^L$ .

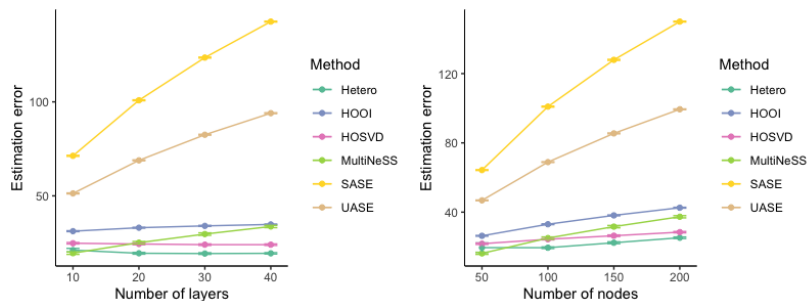
# Theoretical Comparison

We emphasise three points here.

- ▶ There is **no restriction** of  $n_1, n_2, L, d$  and  $m$ .
- ▶ It achieves the **minimax optimal rate** of estimation error (the lower bound shown in [Zhang and Xia \(2018\)](#)).
- ▶ It has a **sharper** estimation error bound than all other methods. For example, the convex optimization estimators with high probability have the following estimation error bound

$$\|\hat{P}^{\text{COE}} - P\|_{\text{F}}^2 \lesssim L(n_1 \vee n_2)d.$$

# Numerical Comparison



**Figure:** Multilayer stochastic block models. Left panel:  $n_1 = 100$  and  $L \in \{10, 20, 30, 40\}$ . Right panel:  $L = 20$  and  $n \in \{50, 100, 150, 200\}$ . Each result is shown in the form of mean and standard deviation.

# Dynamic Multilayer Random Dot Product Graphs (D-MRDPGs)

# D-MRDPGs

## Definition (D-MRDPGs)

Let  $\{X_i(t)\}_{i=1}^{n_1}, \{Y_j(t)\}_{j=1}^{n_2} \subset \mathbb{R}^d$  be mutually independent random vectors generated from  $F(t)$  and  $\tilde{F}(t)$ , respectively.

We say that  $\{A(t)\}_{t \in \mathbb{N}^*}$  is a sequence of independent adjacency tensors of D-MRDPGs, with random distributed latent positions  $\{X_i(t)\}_{i=1}^{n_1}$ ,  $\{Y_j(t)\}_{j=1}^{n_2}$  and fixed weight matrices  $\{W_l(t)\}_{l=1}^L$ .

# Change Point Analysis

Given D-MRDPGs  $\{A(t)\}_{t \in \mathbb{N}^*} \subset \mathbb{R}^{n_1 \times n_2 \times L}$ , for each  $t \in \mathbb{N}^*$ , let

$$H(t) = \left( \{X_1(t)\}^\top W_1(t) Y_1(t), \dots, \{X_L(t)\}^\top W_{(L)}(t) Y_L(t) \right)^\top$$

denote a  $L$ -dimensional random vector at time point  $t$ , with distribution  $\mathcal{H}(t)$ .

## Assumption (No change point)

Given a D-MRDPGs  $\{A(t)\}_{t \in \mathbb{N}^*} \subset \mathbb{R}^{n_1 \times n_2 \times L}$ , assume that

$$\mathcal{H}(1) = \mathcal{H}(2) = \dots$$

**One change point analysis:** Assume that there exists an integer  $\Delta \geq 1$  such that

$$\mathcal{H}(1) = \dots = \mathcal{H}(\Delta) \neq \mathcal{H}(\Delta + 1) = \mathcal{H}(\Delta + 2) = \dots$$

# The Nonparametric Distributional Change

- ▶ **The univariate case:**

- ▶ the Kolmogorov–Smirnov (KS) distance between distribution functions.

- ▶ **The multivariate case:**

- ▶ the supremum norm of the differences between the densities.
- ▶ transforming the change to the change in the univariate mean.

In our context, the density may not exist.

# The Expectation of the Kernel Density Estimator

## The expectation of the kernel density estimator (KDE):

Given a kernel function  $\mathcal{K} : \mathbb{R}^L \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  and a bandwidth  $h > 0$ , for  $t \in \mathbb{N}^*$ , let  $G_t : [0, 1]^L \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  with

$$G_t(\cdot) = \mathbb{E} \left\{ h^{-L} \mathcal{K} \left( \frac{\cdot - P_{1,2,:(t)}}{h} \right) \right\}.$$

- ▶ The expectation of KDE is a **Lebesgue probability density** regardless of whether the nonparametric multivariate distribution admits a Lebesgue density
- ▶ The expectation of KDE is often able to capture important **topological properties** of the underlying distribution or of its support shown in [Fasy et al. \(2014\)](#).



# One Change Point Assumption

## Assumption (One change point)

Given  $D$ -MRDPGs  $\{A(t)\}_{t \in \mathbb{N}^*} \subset \mathbb{R}^{n_1 \times n_2 \times L}$ . Assume that there exists an integer  $\Delta \geq 1$  such that

$$G_1 = \cdots = G_\Delta \neq G_{\Delta+1} = G_{\Delta+2} = \cdots.$$

Let the jump size be

$$\kappa = \sup_{z \in [0,1]^L} |G_\Delta(z) - G_{\Delta+1}(z)| > 0.$$

# Online Change Point Detection Algorithm

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**Algorithm 3** D-MRDPG change point detection

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**INPUT:**  $\{A(t)\}_{t \in \mathbb{N}^*} \subset \mathbb{R}^{n_1 \times n_2 \times L}$ ,  $\{\tau_{s,t}\}_{1 \leq s < t} \subset \mathbb{R}$ .

$t \leftarrow 1$ , FLAG  $\leftarrow 0$

**while** FLAG = 0 **do**

$t \leftarrow t + 1$

    FLAG  $\leftarrow 1 - \prod_{s=1}^{t-1} \{\widehat{D}_{s,t} \leq \tau_{s,t}\}$

**end while**

**OUTPUT:**  $t$ .

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# Statistics

We emphasise three points for computing the statistic  $\hat{D}_{s,t}$  for any  $1 \leq s < t$ .

- ▶ It is an extension of the **CUSUM statistic** using the **KDEs**.
- ▶ We estimate the **average** of the probability tensors instead of estimating the **single** probability tensor at each time point.
- ▶ We only use the **first** singular vector for spectral estimations of the average of the probability tensors.

# Theoretical results

## Assumption (Signal-to-noise ratio condition)

Assume that there exists a large enough absolute constant  $C_{\text{SNR}} > 0$  such that, for some  $\alpha \in (0, 1)$ , it holds

$$\kappa\sqrt{\Delta} > C_{\text{SNR}} h^{-L-1} \sqrt{\frac{(L^2 \vee d) \log\{(n_1 \vee n_2 \vee \Delta)/\alpha\}}{n_1 \wedge n_2}}.$$

## Theorem

Let  $D$ -MRDPGs  $\{A(t)\}_{t \in \mathbb{N}^*} \subset \mathbb{R}^{n_1 \times n_2 \times L}$  and  $\alpha \in (0, 1)$  and  $\hat{\Delta}$  be the output of the algorithm. Under some regularity conditions, Let

- ▶ Under no change point assumption, it holds that  $\mathbb{P}_\infty\{\hat{\Delta} < \infty\} < \alpha$ .
- ▶ Under one change point assumption and signal-to-noise ratio condition, it holds that with absolute constant  $C_\epsilon > 0$

$$\mathbb{P}_\Delta \left\{ \Delta < \hat{\Delta} \leq \Delta + C_\epsilon \frac{(L^2 \vee d) \log((n_1 \vee n_2 \vee \Delta)/\alpha)}{\kappa^2 h^{2L+2} (n_1 \wedge n_2)} \right\} \geq 1 - \alpha.$$

# Theoretical Comparison

We emphasise three points here.

- ▶ Compared with [Padilla et al. \(2019\)](#) and most dynamic network papers, our **signal-to-noise ratio condition** is **weaker** up to a  $\sqrt{\Delta}$  factor and **localisation error** is **sharper** up to a  $\Delta$  factor.
- ▶ We only use **the first singular vectors** for spectral estimation of the average of the probability tensors and do **not** need to estimate the **ranks** of the probability tensors.
- ▶ We allow including the **model parameters** including the number of nodes, the dimension of latent position and the magnitude of the change, to **vary** as functions of the location of the change point.

**Thank you!**

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