Product Graph Learning from Multi-attribute Graph Signals with Inter-layer Coupling

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Motivation



[Source: NETWORK MANAGEMENT]



- Graphs: Effectively depict data's spatial layout in diverse fields like social, biology, transportation, and power networks.
- GSP: A flexible tool that extends the concepts from classical signal processing to graphs and makes inference of data.

Motivation



- From single-way to multi-attribute data: Complex systems are represented by multi-layer networks.
- Multi-way graph signals: E.g., opinion dynamics, multi-dimensional diffusion, protein-protein interactions, animal networks, and relations in image pixels.

Product Graph Model

- ▶ Coupling graph: $\mathcal{G}^{c} = (\mathcal{V}^{c}, \mathcal{E}^{c}, \mathbf{A}^{c})$ with $|\mathcal{V}^{c}| = M$
- ▶ Physical graph: $\mathcal{G}^{G} = (\mathcal{V}^{G}, \mathcal{E}^{G}, \mathbf{A}^{G})$ with $|\mathcal{V}^{G}| = N$



Adjacency matrix for **generalized** product graph $\mathcal{G} = (\mathcal{G}^{C}, \mathcal{G}^{G})$: $\mathbf{A} = \gamma_{1} \mathbf{I} \otimes \mathbf{A}^{G} + \gamma_{2} \mathbf{A}^{C} \otimes \mathbf{I} + \gamma_{3} \mathbf{A}^{C} \otimes \mathbf{A}^{G}$ Multi-attribute Graph Filter and Signals.

A **general** multi-layer graph filter model¹:

$$egin{aligned} \mathcal{H}(oldsymbol{A}^{ extsf{C}},oldsymbol{A}^{ extsf{G}}) &= \sum_{i=0}^{T_{ extsf{G}}} \sum_{j=0}^{T_{ extsf{C}}} h_{ij}(oldsymbol{A}^{ extsf{C}})^{j} \otimes (oldsymbol{A}^{ extsf{G}})^{i} \ & oldsymbol{y}^{(s)} &= \mathcal{H}(oldsymbol{A}^{ extsf{C}},oldsymbol{A}^{ extsf{G}})oldsymbol{x}^{(s)} + oldsymbol{w}^{(s)} \end{aligned}$$

Multi-dimensional opinion dynamics $\gamma = (0, 0, 1)$

$$\mathbf{y}^{(s)} = \lim_{t \to \infty} \mathbf{x}(t) = (\mathbf{I}_{NM} - \mathbf{A}^{C} \otimes \mathbf{A}^{G})^{-1} \mathbf{x}^{(s)}$$

$$\blacktriangleright \text{ Diffusion Process } \boldsymbol{\gamma} = (\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, 0)$$

$$\mathbf{y}^{(s)} = (\mathbf{I}_{NM} - \mathbf{A}^{C} \otimes \mathbf{I}_{N} - \mathbf{I}_{M} \otimes \mathbf{A}^{G})^{-1} \mathbf{x}^{(s)}$$

¹Not necessarily a polynomial of \boldsymbol{A} .

Product Graph Learning

Task: Given $y^{(s)}$, recover A^{C} , A^{G} or their spectral features.

Idea: many graph features are embedded in the spectra:

$$oldsymbol{A}^{ extsf{C}} = oldsymbol{V}^{ extsf{C}} oldsymbol{\Lambda}^{ extsf{C}} (oldsymbol{V}^{ extsf{C}})^{ op}, oldsymbol{A}^{ extsf{G}} = oldsymbol{V}^{ extsf{G}} oldsymbol{\Lambda}^{ extsf{G}} (oldsymbol{V}^{ extsf{G}})^{ op}$$

If V^{C} , V^{G} are known, then Topology Reconstruction [Segarra et al., 2017] $\min_{\lambda^{G}, \widehat{A}^{G}} \|\operatorname{vec}(\widehat{A}^{G})\|_{1} + \frac{\rho}{2} \|\widehat{A}^{G} - V^{G}\operatorname{Diag}(\lambda^{G})(V^{G})^{\top}\|_{F}^{2} \longleftarrow \text{ similar for } A^{C}$ s.t. $|\operatorname{diag}(\widehat{A}^{G})| \le \epsilon 1, \widehat{A}^{G} 1 \ge 1$

Centrality Estimation

take
$$\widehat{c}^{G} = v_{c}^{G}, \ \widehat{c}^{C} = v_{c}^{C}$$
 where $\widehat{v}_{i^{\star}} = v_{c}^{C} \otimes \widehat{v}_{c}^{G}$

see [Roddenberry and Segarra, 2021, He and Wai, 2022]

Product Graph Learning - Algorithm

Step 1 Recover $\boldsymbol{V}^{C}, \boldsymbol{V}^{G}$ from covariance matrix²

$$oldsymbol{C}_{\mathcal{Y}} = \mathbb{E}[oldsymbol{y}^{(s)}(oldsymbol{y}^{(s)})^{ op}] = (oldsymbol{V}^{ ext{C}} \otimes oldsymbol{V}^{ ext{G}})|\mathcal{H}(oldsymbol{\Lambda}^{ ext{C}},oldsymbol{\Lambda}^{ ext{G}})|^2 (oldsymbol{V}^{ ext{C}} \otimes oldsymbol{V}^{ ext{G}})^{ op} + \sigma^2 oldsymbol{I}$$

with $\mathbf{x}^{(s)}, \mathbf{w}^{(s)}$ satisfying white noise conditions.

Step 2 Spectral-based methods for graph (feature) learning

$$\begin{array}{l} \text{P1) Topology Reconstruction [Segarra et al., 2017]} \\ \min_{\boldsymbol{\lambda}^{\text{G}}, \widehat{\boldsymbol{\mathcal{A}}^{\text{G}}}} \| \operatorname{vec}(\widehat{\boldsymbol{\mathcal{A}}^{\text{G}}}) \|_{1} + \frac{\rho}{2} \| \widehat{\boldsymbol{\mathcal{A}}^{\text{G}}} - \widehat{\boldsymbol{\mathcal{V}}^{\text{G}}} \operatorname{Diag}(\boldsymbol{\lambda}^{\text{G}}) (\widehat{\boldsymbol{\mathcal{V}}^{\text{G}}})^{\top} \|_{F}^{2} \\ \text{s.t.} |\operatorname{diag}(\widehat{\boldsymbol{\mathcal{A}}^{\text{G}}})| \leq \epsilon \mathbf{1}, \widehat{\boldsymbol{\mathcal{A}}^{\text{G}}} \mathbf{1} \geq \mathbf{1} \end{array}$$

(P2) Centrality Estimation [Roddenberry and Segarra, 2021, He and Wai, 2022] $\widehat{c}^{G} = \widehat{\nu}_{c}^{G}, \ \widehat{c}^{C} = \widehat{\nu}_{c}^{C}$ where $\widehat{\nu}_{i^{\star}} = \widehat{\nu}_{c}^{C} \otimes \widehat{\nu}_{c}^{G}$

²**A1**: Assume magnitudes of frequency response $|h(\lambda_j^c, \lambda_i^c)|$ are distinct. 7/15

Exact Solution by NKD to step 1

Corollary: Under **A1**, noiseless observations, and $S \to \infty$, the NKD procedure exact recovers V^{c} , V^{G} .

► Further step: Gram-Schmidt (GS) to obtain the orthogonal matrices: $\hat{V}^{c} = GS([\hat{v}_{1}^{c}, ..., \hat{v}_{NM}^{c}]), \ \hat{V}^{g} = GS([\hat{v}_{1}^{g}, ..., \hat{v}_{NM}^{g}])$

³[Van Loan and Pitsianis, 1993] Nearest Kronecker product decomposition

Simplified Solution by Unfolding to step 1

Recover
$$\boldsymbol{V}^{G}$$
, \boldsymbol{V}^{C} by unfolding⁴ $\boldsymbol{y} = (\boldsymbol{y}_{1}; \cdots; \boldsymbol{y}_{M}) \in \mathbb{R}^{NM}$:
Set $\boldsymbol{Y}^{(s)} = [\boldsymbol{y}_{1}^{(s)}, \dots, \boldsymbol{y}_{M}^{(s)}] \in \mathbb{R}^{N \times M}$
 $\boldsymbol{C}_{y}^{\text{layer}} = \mathbb{E}[(\boldsymbol{Y}^{(s)})^{\top} \boldsymbol{Y}^{(s)}], \ \boldsymbol{C}_{y}^{\text{node}} = \mathbb{E}[\boldsymbol{Y}^{(s)}(\boldsymbol{Y}^{(s)})^{\top}]$
 \boldsymbol{E} stimate $\widetilde{\boldsymbol{V}}^{C} = \text{EVD}(\boldsymbol{C}_{y}^{\text{layer}}), \ \widetilde{\boldsymbol{V}}^{G} = \text{EVD}(\boldsymbol{C}_{y}^{\text{node}})$

Issues for unfolding:

$$\begin{split} \widetilde{\boldsymbol{V}}^{\mathrm{G}}, \widetilde{\boldsymbol{V}}^{\mathrm{C}} \rightarrow \boldsymbol{V}^{\mathrm{G}}, \boldsymbol{V}^{\mathrm{C}} \text{ if eigenvalues of } \boldsymbol{C}_{y}^{\mathrm{layer}}, \boldsymbol{C}_{y}^{\mathrm{node}} \text{ are distinct,} \\ \text{and} \\ \boldsymbol{C}_{y}^{\mathrm{node}} = \sum_{j=1}^{N} \boldsymbol{v}_{j}^{\mathrm{G}}(\boldsymbol{v}_{j}^{\mathrm{G}})^{\top} \sum_{i=1}^{M} |h(\lambda_{i}^{\mathrm{C}}, \lambda_{j}^{\mathrm{G}})|^{2} \\ \text{- repeated eigenvalues are common even under A1.} \end{split}$$

Sufficient condition for exact recovery: separable filter with h(λ^C, λ^G) = h^C(λ^C)h^G(λ^G)

⁴Inspired from [Sandryhaila and Moura, 2014, Zhang et al., 2021], also used recently in [Kadambari and Chepuri, 2021, Einizade and Sardouie, 2022] = 3

Experiment 1: Topology Reconstruction



- $\blacktriangleright \ \mathbf{A} = \gamma_1 \mathbf{I} \otimes \mathbf{A}^{\mathsf{G}} + 2\gamma_1 \mathbf{A}^{\mathsf{C}} \otimes \mathbf{I} + (1 3\gamma_1) \mathbf{A}^{\mathsf{C}} \otimes \mathbf{A}^{\mathsf{G}}$
- $\gamma_1 \downarrow 0 \rightarrow$ stronger **inter-layer coupling** of graph.
- > 'NKD' recovers topology effectively regardless of γ_1 robustly.
- 'Unfold' & 'PGL' sensitive to γ_1 ; 'Flatten' fails consistently.

Experiment 2: Central Nodes Detection



- \blacktriangleright \mathcal{H}^{exp} works well for both 'NKD' and 'Unfold'.
- 'NKD' achieves lower error rate with fewer samples in strong coupling (\(\gamma_1 = 0.01\)).
- 'Unfold' method requires large samples with close eigenvalues $(\mathcal{H}^{\text{inv}}, \gamma_1 = 0.01)$.

Real Data: US Senate Roll Calls

Estimated Senate topology G^G

Estimated coupling graph of topics G^{C}

State graph \mathcal{G}^{G} shows two clusters (Republican&Democratic). \blacktriangleright Coupling graph \mathcal{G}^{c} reveals strong connection between 'circuit judges' & 'fiscal' topics.

Conclusion

- Generalize product graph filter for multi-attribute signals.
- Develop inference algorithms for topology learning & centrality detection.
- Study layer/node-wise unfolding and NKD for spectral estimation leading to graph inference.
- Product graph learning based on NKD delivers more robust performance.

Thank you!

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