Détection de structures à l'aide de modèles probabilistes sur les graphes

Modèles

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Recall

from the observation of a network determine structure





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A first random graph model for network

[Erdős and Rényi, 1959] Model for n nodes

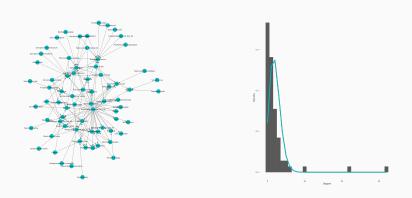
$$\forall 1 \leq i, j \leq n, \quad Y_{ij} \stackrel{i.i.d.}{\sim} \mathcal{B}ern(p),$$

where $p \in [0, 1]$ is the probability for a link to exist.

Consequence

$$\deg(i) \sim_{i.i.d} \mathcal{B}in(n,p)$$

Confrontation to a real network



Not enough variability in the degree

Limitations of an ER graph to describe real networks

- · Homogeneity of the connections
- · Degree distribution too concentrated, no high degree nodes,
- · All nodes are equivalent,
- No modularity, no hubs

Stochastic Block Model and Latent Block Model

Model on a simple network with n nodes:

SBM: [Nowicki and Snijders, 2001]

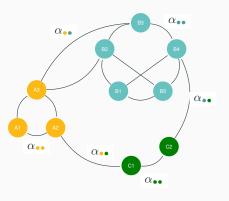
- Q blocks of nodes sharing similar connection structure,
- $\mathbf{Z} = (Z_1, \dots, Z_n)$ independent latent variables s.t. $\mathbb{P}(Z_i = k) = \pi_k$ for $k \in \{1, \dots, Q\}$ and $i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$,
- $Y_{ij}|Z_i,Z_j \stackrel{ind}{\sim} \mathcal{F}(\alpha_{Z_i,Z_j})$ for all dyads (i,j)

Model on a bipartite network with n_1 and n_2 nodes:

LBM: [Govaert and Nadif, 2010]

- Q_1 and Q_2 blocks of nodes sharing similar connection structure,
- $\mathbf{Z}^1=(Z_1^1,\ldots,Z_n^1)$ and $\mathbf{Z}^2=(Z_1^2,\ldots,Z_m^2)$ independent latent variables s.t. $\mathbb{P}(Z_i^1=k)=\pi_k^1$ for all $i\in\{1,\ldots,n\},\,k\in\{1,\ldots,Q_1\}$ and $\mathbb{P}(Z_j^2=l)=\pi_l^2$ for all $j\in\{1,\ldots,m\},\,l\in\{1,\ldots,Q_2\}$
- $Y_{ij}|Z_i^1, Z_j^2 \stackrel{ind}{\sim} \mathcal{F}(\alpha_{Z_i^1, Z_i^2})$ for all dyads (i, j).

Stochastic Block Model: illustration



Parameters

Let n nodes divided into 3 clusters

- $\{ \bullet, \bullet, \bullet \}$ clusters
- $\pi_{\bullet} = \mathbb{P}(i \in \bullet), i = 1, \ldots, n$
- $\alpha_{\bullet \bullet} = \mathbb{P}(i \leftrightarrow j | i \in \bullet, j \in \bullet)$

$$\mathbf{Y} \sim \mathsf{SBM}_{\scriptscriptstyle{n}}(Q, oldsymbol{\pi}, oldsymbol{lpha})$$

Simulations under the SBM

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Likelihood for SBM

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$$\ell_{c}(\mathbf{Y}, \mathbf{Z}; \theta) = p(\mathbf{Y}|\mathbf{Z}; \boldsymbol{\alpha})p(\mathbf{Z}; \boldsymbol{\pi})$$

$$= \prod_{i,j} f_{\alpha_{Z_{i},Z_{j}}}(Y_{ij}) \times \prod_{i} \pi_{Z_{i}}$$

$$= \prod_{i,j} \alpha_{Z_{i},Z_{j}}^{Y_{ij}} (1 - \alpha_{Z_{i},Z_{j}})^{1 - Y_{ij}} \prod_{i} \pi_{Z_{i}}$$

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From EM to variational EM

Standard EM

At iteration (t):

• Step E: compute

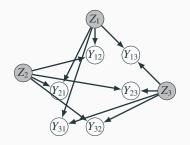
$$\mathcal{Q}(\theta|\theta^{(t-1)}) = \mathbb{E}_{\mathbf{Z}|\mathbf{Y},\theta^{(t-1)}} \left[\log \ell_c(\mathbf{Y}, \mathbf{Z}; \theta)\right]$$

• Step M:

$$\theta^{(t)} = \arg\max_{\theta} \mathcal{Q}(\theta|\theta^{(t-1)})$$

Limitation of EM

However, once conditioned by par X, the Z are not independent anymore



$$p(\mathbf{Z}|\mathbf{X}, \theta^{(t-1)}) \neq \prod_{i=1}^{n} p(Z_i|\mathbf{X}, \theta^{(t-1)})$$

Variational EM: maximization of a lower bound

Idea: replace the complicated distribution $[\mathbf{Z}|\mathbf{Y},\theta]$ by a simpler one.

Let $\mathcal{R}_{Y,\tau}$ be any distribution on Z

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Variational EM

- Maximization of $\log \ell(\mathbf{Y}; \theta)$ w.r.t. θ replaced by maximization of the lower bound $\mathcal{I}_{\theta}(\mathcal{R}_{\mathbf{Y},\tau})$ w.r.t. τ and θ .
- Benefit : we choose $\mathcal{R}_{Y,\tau}$ such that the maximization calculus can be done explicitly
 - In our case: mean field approximation : neglect dependencies between the (Z_i)

$$P_{\mathcal{R}_{Y,\tau}}(Z_i = q) = \tau_{iq}$$

Variational EM

Algorithm

At iteration (t), given the current value $(\theta^{(t-1)}, \mathcal{R}_{\mathbf{Y}, \boldsymbol{\tau}^{(t-1)}})$,

• Step 1 Maximization w.r.t. au

$$\begin{split} \boldsymbol{\tau}^{(t)} &= & \arg\max_{\boldsymbol{\tau} \in \mathcal{T}} \mathcal{I}_{\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(t-1)}}(\mathcal{R}_{\mathbf{Y},\boldsymbol{\tau}}) \\ &= & \arg\max_{\boldsymbol{\tau} \in \mathcal{T}} \mathbb{E}_{\mathcal{R}_{\mathbf{Y},\boldsymbol{\tau}}} \left[\log \ell_c(\mathbf{Y},\mathbf{Z};\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(t-1)}) \right] + \mathcal{H}\left(\mathcal{R}_{\mathbf{Y},\boldsymbol{\tau}}(\mathbf{Z})\right) \\ &= & \arg\max_{\boldsymbol{\tau} \in \mathcal{T}} \log \ell(\mathbf{Y};\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(t-1)}) - \mathbf{KL}[\mathcal{R}_{\mathbf{Y},\boldsymbol{\tau}},p(\cdot|\mathbf{Y};\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(t-1)})] \\ &= & \arg\min_{\boldsymbol{\tau} \in \mathcal{T}} \mathbf{KL}[\mathcal{R}_{\mathbf{Y},\boldsymbol{\tau}},p(\cdot|\mathbf{Y};\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(t-1)})] \end{split}$$

Algorithm

• Step 2 Maximization w.r.t. θ

$$\begin{split} \boldsymbol{\theta}^{(t)} &= & \arg\max_{\boldsymbol{\theta}} \mathcal{I}_{\boldsymbol{\theta}}(\mathcal{R}_{\mathbf{Y}, \boldsymbol{\tau}^{(t)}}) \\ &= & \arg\max_{\boldsymbol{\theta}} \mathbb{E}_{\mathcal{R}_{\mathbf{Y}, \boldsymbol{\tau}^{(t)}}} \left[\log \ell_{c}(\mathbf{Y}, \mathbf{Z}; \boldsymbol{\theta}) \right] + \mathcal{H} \left(\mathcal{R}_{\mathbf{Y}, \boldsymbol{\tau}^{(t)}}(\mathbf{Z}) \right) \\ &= & \arg\max_{\boldsymbol{\theta}} \mathbb{E}_{\mathcal{R}_{\mathbf{Y}, \boldsymbol{\tau}^{(t)}}} \left[\log \ell_{c}(\mathbf{Y}, \mathbf{Z}; \boldsymbol{\theta}) \right] \end{split}$$

In practice

- · Really fast
- Strongly depends on the initial values

A penalized likelihood criterion

- Selection of the number of clusters Q
- Integrated Classification Likelihood (ICL) [Biernacki et al., 2000]

$$\mathit{ICL}(\mathcal{M}_{\mathcal{Q}}) = \log \ell_{c}(\mathbf{Y}, \hat{\mathbf{Z}}; \hat{\theta}_{\mathcal{Q}}) - \mathsf{Pen}(\mathcal{M}_{\mathcal{Q}})$$

where

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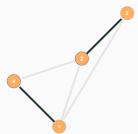
$$\mathsf{Pen}(\mathcal{M}_{\mathcal{Q}}) = \frac{1}{2} \left\{ \underbrace{(\mathcal{Q} - 1) \log(n)}_{\mathsf{Clust.}} + \underbrace{\mathcal{Q}^2 \log(n^2 - n)}_{\mathsf{Conn.}} \right\}$$

Penalty for bipartite networks

$$pen_{\mathcal{M}} = -\frac{1}{2} \left\{ \underbrace{(K-1)\log(n) + (L-1)\log(p)}_{\mathsf{Bi-Clust.}} + \underbrace{(KL)\log(np)}_{\mathsf{Connection}} \right\}$$

Recall on missing value

Data: a graph *G* with missing data.



Adjacency matrix:

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \text{NA} & \text{NA} & 1\\ \text{NA} & 0 & 1 & \text{NA} \\ \text{NA} & 1 & 0 & 0\\ 1 & \text{NA} & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

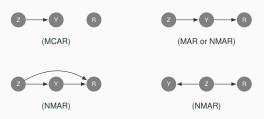
Goal: Cluster nodes in spite of missing data and predict NA to $\{0,1\}$ or predict most likely existing links.

Inferring the SBM from an observed network (Missing data)

[Timothée Tabouy and Chiquet, 2020].

Observation of a network: $n \times n$ binary matrix **R** such that $R_{ij} = 1$ if Y_{ij} is observed, $R_{ij} = 0$ otherwise ($Y_{ij} = NA$).

Observation process: [Rub76] MCAR, MAR or NMAR?



Inference under M(C)AR scheme: Likelihood on the observed data.

Inference under NMAR scheme

Need for accounting for the complete likelihood where we have missing data $(\mathbf{Y}^{\mathrm{m}})$ and latent variables Z

Variational distribution on $(\mathbf{Y}^{m}, \mathbf{Z})$ in the VEM algorithm:

$$\mathcal{R}_{(\mathbf{Y}^{\mathbf{m}},\mathbf{Z})} = \mathcal{R}_{(\mathbf{Y}^{\mathbf{m}})} \cdot \mathcal{R}_{(\mathbf{Z})} = \prod_{(i,j),Y_{ij} = NA} \nu_{ij}^{Y_{ij}} (1 - \nu_{ij})^{1 - Y_{ij}} \cdot \prod_{i=1}^{n} \prod_{k=1}^{Q} (\tau_{ik})^{\mathbb{I}_{Z_i = k}},$$

where

- ν_{ij} s and τ_{ik} s parameters to be optimized in the VE step,
- τ_{ik} is almost generic,
- ν_{ij} is specific to the sampling design.

Contributions:

- · Derived variational steps for some NMAR sampling schemes,
- Importance of accounting for sampling illustrated on synthetic and real data,
- Implementation in an R package missSBM [Tabouy et al., 2019].

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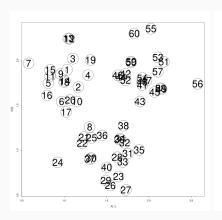
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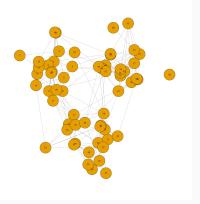
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Latent space model

- $\forall i \in \{1, ..., N\}$, $Z_i \stackrel{ind}{\sim} \mathsf{Mixture} \mathcal{N}((\mu_k)_k, (\Sigma_k)_k)$,
- $\forall (i,j), Y_{ij}|Z_i, Z_j \stackrel{ind}{\sim} b(\exp(-\|Z_i Z_j\|/\sigma^2)).$





(Generalised) random dot product graph

Alternative to the distance between latent positions, the dot product can be used:

$$\forall (i,j), \ Y_{ij}|Z_i, Z_j \stackrel{ind}{\sim} b(Z_i \cdot Z_j = Z_i^{\top} Z_j).$$

[Rubin-Delanchy et al., 2022] proposed a generalisation:

$$\forall (i,j), Y_{ij}|Z_i, Z_j \stackrel{ind}{\sim} b(Z_iI_{p,q}Z_j)$$

with

$$I_{p,q} \begin{bmatrix} I_p & 0 \\ 0 & -I_q \end{bmatrix}.$$

Modularity

In [Newman, 2006], definition of modularity, for a given clustering:

$$Mod = \frac{1}{C} \sum_{i,j} \left[A_{ij} - \frac{d_i d_j}{C} \right] \delta_{ij}$$

where

- $C = \sum_{i} \sum_{j} A_{ij}$,
- d_i is the degree of species i (i.e. $d_i = \sum_i A_{ij}$),
- δ_{ij} are dummy variables indicating whether species/nodes i and j are assumed to belong to the same module/community/cluster.

Goal: look for the partitioning of nodes into communities/modules that maximizes the associated modularity score.

Algos: edge-betweenness algorithm (EB), the leading-eigenvector algorithm (LE) and the Louvain algorithm (ML).

Laplacian of a graph

For G = (V, E) an undirected graph s.t. $V = \{1, ..., N\}$ and A the corresponding adjacency matrix.

- Degree of a vertex/node: $d_i = \sum_i A_{ij}$,
- Unnormalized Laplacian: L = D A with $D = \text{diag}(d_1, \dots, d_N)$,

Properties:

- for $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$, $x^\top L x = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^N A_{ij} (x_i x_j)^2$,
- L is symmetric and positive definite,
- the smallest eigenvalue is 0 and associated with the vector 1,
- the order of multiplicity of 0 is the number of connected components.

[Von Luxburg, 2007]

Normalized Laplacians:

$$L_{sym} = D^{-1/2}LD^{-1/2} = I_N - D^{-1/2}AD^{-1/2}$$

$$L_{rw} = D^{-1}L = I_N - D^{-1}A$$

Properties:

- for $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$, $x^{\top} L_{sym} x = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{j}^{N} A_{ij} (x_i / \sqrt{d_i} x_j / \sqrt{d_j})^2$,
- L_{sym} and L_{rw} are symmetric and positive definite,
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Spectral Clustering:

Input: Adjacency Matrix $A \in \mathbb{R}^{N \times N}$, number k of clusters to construct.

- Compute the unnormalized Laplacian L.
- Compute the first k eigenvectors u_1, \ldots, u_k of L.
- Let $U \in \mathbb{R}^{N \times k}$ be the matrix containing the vectors u_1, \dots, u_k as columns.
- For i = 1, ..., N, let $z_i \in \mathbb{R}^k$ be the vector corresponding to the i-th row of U.
- Cluster the points $(z_i)_{i=1,...,N}$ in \mathbb{R}^k with the k-means algorithm into clusters C_1,\ldots,C_k .

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Multilayer networks

- · Large variety of multilayer networks,
- SBM as a probabilistic generative model easy to extend to numerous cases.
- e.g. dynamic or spatial SBM ([Matias and Miele, 2017, Longepierre and Matias, 2019]) or Topic SBM [Bouveyron et al., 2018].

Our contributions

- Multiplex network [Barbillon et al., 2017, Lazega et al., 2016],
- Multilevel network [Chabert-Liddell et al., 2019],
- Multipartite network [Bar-Hen et al., 2018].

Adaptation of the VEM algorithm and ICL criterion to select the numbers of blocks.

Multiplex network

In collaboration with A. Bar-Hen, S. Donnet and E. Lazega [Barbillon et al., 2017, Lazega et al., 2016].

Multiple relations between individuals:

$$\mathbf{Y}_{ij}|Z_i,Z_j \overset{\mathit{ind}}{\sim} \mathsf{Bern}^M((\alpha_{Z_i,Z_j}^{\scriptscriptstyle W})_{\scriptscriptstyle W}) \quad \text{with } \sum_{\scriptscriptstyle w} \alpha_{Z_i,Z_j}^{\scriptscriptstyle W} = 1.$$

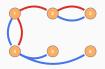


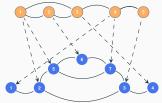
Figure 1: Illustration of a multiplex network. For each dyad, two kinds of link may exist. They are respectively displayed by red and blue edges.

Model inference implemented in the R package: sbm.

Application to a network of French researchers in cancerology (advice relation and indirect relation through the labs of the researchers).

Multilevel network

In collaboration with S. Donnet and S.-C. Chabert-Liddell (Ph.D. Thesis) and E. Lazega [Chabert-Liddell et al., 2019].



- Organizational level: SBM for (Y^O, Z^O),
- Individual level: SBM for $(\mathbf{Y}^{I}, \mathbf{Z}^{I})$,
- Interlevel dependence $i \in \{1, \ldots, n_I\}$, $k \in \{1, \ldots, K_I\}$, $\mathbb{P}(Z_i^I = k | Z_j^O, A_{ij} = 1) \stackrel{ind}{=} \gamma_{kZ_i^O}$, where A is the affiliation matrix.

Implemented in S.-C. Chabert-Liddell's R package: MLVSBM.

Application to a dataset of a program trade fair (Organizations = audiovisual firms, individuals = sales representatives).

Generalized Multipartite Networks

In collaboration with A. Bar-Hen and S. Donnet [Bar-Hen et al., 2018].

- Pre-specified functional groups (colors of nodes),
- Looking for blocks within functional groups,
- Each network between 2 functional groups is either an SBM or an LBM.

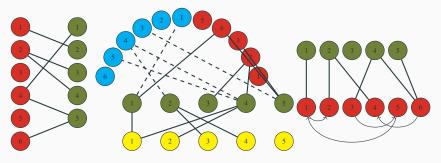


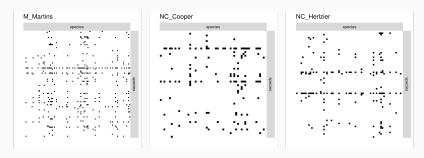
Figure 2: Illustrations of bipartite (left), multipartite (center) and generalized multipartite networks (right). The colors stand for the different functional groups.

Implemented in an R package: GREMLINS.

Application for ecological interaction (see practical session).

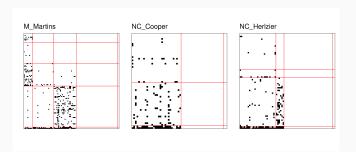
Towards collection of networks: Three foodwebs

- Pine-firest stream food webs issued from Maine, North-Caroline and New-Zealand [Thompson and Townsend, 2003]
- Involve respectively 105, 58 and 71 species.
- $Y_{ij} = 1$ if i is eaten by j. Directed relation



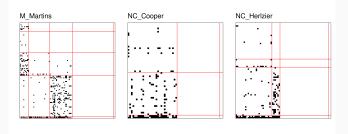
· Look for similarities and differences between network structures.

Separate SBMs



- Fitted SBM on each separately
- · Reordered the matrices following the blocks
- Label the blocks following the average out-degrees order

Towards collection of networks: Separate SBMs



- Two bottom groups in each matrix are basal species : eaten by many species and not eating anybody.
- Martins: has a separation into 5 blocks, the third one is a medium trophic level, which preys on basal species and is highly preyed by species of the 1st block.
 - Cooper. Higher trophic levels grouped together in the same block (lack of statistical power).
 - Herlzier: higher trophic level is separated into 2 blocks determined on how much they prey on the less preyed basal block.

Collection of networks: Joint modeling of the networks

- · Need to model jointly the networks
- Identify the groups playing the same role through out the networks, with an unsupervised strategy.
- Let (Y^m)_{m=1,...,M} denote the collection of networks each involving n_m nodes.
- (Y^m) independent.

$$\mathbf{Y}^m \sim \mathsf{SBM}_{n_m}(\mathit{Q}^m, oldsymbol{\pi}^m, oldsymbol{lpha}^m)$$

• Conditions on the parameters $(\pi^m)_{m=1,...,M}$ and $(\alpha^m)_{m=1,...,M}$

First naive model

iid-colSBM

$$\mathbf{Y}^m \sim \mathsf{SBM}_{n_m}(Q, \boldsymbol{\pi}, \boldsymbol{\alpha})$$

with $\pi_q > 0 \; \forall q \in \{1, \dots, Q\}$ and $\sum_{q=1}^{Q} \pi_q = 1$.

- $(Q-1)+Q^2$ unknown parameters, M clustering
- Maybe too strict

A first relaxed model : π -colSBM

Same structure of connection α , specific proportions of blocks in each network

 π -colSBM

$$\mathbf{Y}^m \sim \mathsf{SBM}_{n_m}(Q, oldsymbol{\pi}^m, oldsymbol{lpha})$$

On the block proportions

- $\pi_a^m \ge 0$
- If $\pi_q^{\it m}=0$ then block q is not represented in network $\it m$

π -colSBM: different proportions

M=2 networks

$$\alpha = \begin{pmatrix} \alpha_{11} & \alpha_{12} & \alpha_{13} \\ \alpha_{12} & \alpha_{22} & \alpha_{23} \\ \alpha_{13} & \alpha_{23} & \alpha_{33} \end{pmatrix} \qquad \begin{array}{l} \pi^1 = [.25, .25, .50] \\ \pi^2 = [.20, .50, .30] \end{array}.$$

- · Same connection structure between blocks
- · Different block proportions
- $2 \times (3-1) + 3^2 = 15$ parameters.

$$\pi_q^m \geq 0$$

$$\alpha = \begin{pmatrix} \alpha_{11} & \alpha_{12} & \alpha_{13} \\ \alpha_{12} & \alpha_{22} & \alpha_{23} \\ \alpha_{13} & \alpha_{23} & \alpha_{33} \end{pmatrix} \qquad \pi^{1} = [.25, .25, .50] \\ \pi^{2} = [.40, 0, .60].$$

- Blocks 1 and 3 are represented in the two networks while block 2 only exists in network 1.
- $3-1+3-2+3^2=14$ parameters

π -colSBM: partially nested structures

$$\alpha = \begin{pmatrix} \alpha_{11} & \alpha_{12} & \alpha_{13} \\ \alpha_{21} & \alpha_{22} & \cdot \\ \alpha_{31} & \cdot & \alpha_{33} \end{pmatrix} \qquad \begin{array}{l} \pi^1 = [.25, .75, \ 0\] \\ \pi^2 = [.40, \ 0\ , .60] \end{array}.$$

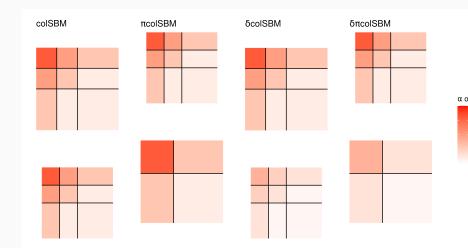
- The two networks share block 1 (for instance super predators or basal species)
- The remaining nodes of each network not equivalent in terms of connectivity.
- Blocks 2 and 3 never interact because their elements do not belong to the same network and so α_{23} and α_{32} are not required to define the model.
- (2-1) + (2-1) + 7 = 11 parameters.

Summary

${\it M}$ independent networks.

$$\mathbf{Y}^m \sim \mathsf{SBM}(Q^m, oldsymbol{\pi}^m, oldsymbol{lpha}^m)$$

Model name	Block prop.	Connexion param.	Nb of param.
iid-colSBM	$\pi_q^m = \pi_q, \pi_q > 0$	$\alpha_{qr}^m = \alpha_{qr}$	$(Q-1)+Q^2$
π -colSBM	$\pi_q^m, \pi_q^m \geq 0$	$\alpha_{qr}^m = \alpha_{qr}$	$\leq M(Q-1) + Q^2$
δ -colSBM	$\pi_q^m = \pi_q, \pi_q > 0$	$\alpha_{qr}^m = \delta^m \alpha_{qr}$	$(Q-1)+Q^2+(M-1)$
$\delta\pi$ -colSBM	$\pi_q^m, \pi_q^m \geq 0$	$\alpha_{qr}^m = \delta^m \alpha_{qr}$	$\leq M(Q-1) + Q^2 + M - 1$
sep-SBM	$\pi_q^m, \pi_q^m > 0$	α_{qr}^m	$\sum_{m=1}^{M} (Q_m - 1) + Q_m^2$



Inference and model selection

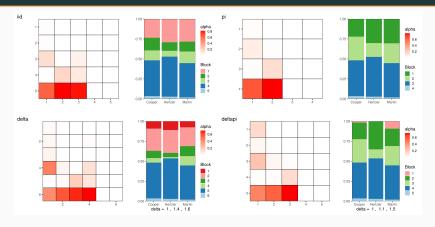
VEM algorithm

- Direct extension of VEM previously described for iid-colSBM and π-colSBM
- Less obvious with $\delta_m \alpha$: M step not explicit.
- · Sensitive to initializations: need to match blocks among networks.

Model Selection

- ICL can be directly extended for iid-colSBM and the δ -colSBM
- for $\pi(\delta)$ -colSBM, taking into account empty blocks...

Our 4 consensus models



Top left : iid (-1966). Top right: π -colSBM (-1982) Bottom-left: δ -colSBM (-1969). Bottom-right: $\delta\pi$ -colSBM (-1989)

- separated SBMs gives an ICL of −2080.
- · iid-colSBM: prefered model. Make 5 blocks
- π -colSBM: block proportion quite similar. Make no use of its flexibility



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