Information Bottleneck for Optimal Prediction of Multilevel Agent-based Systems

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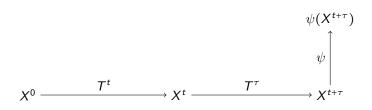
$$X^0 \xrightarrow{T^t} X^t \xrightarrow{T^{\tau}} X^{t+\tau}$$

- Markovian Kernel $T(X^{t+1}|X^t)$
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- $X^0 \in \Sigma$
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- with Current Time $t \in \mathbb{N}$

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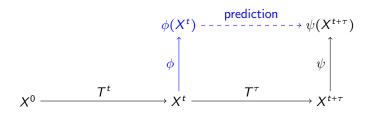
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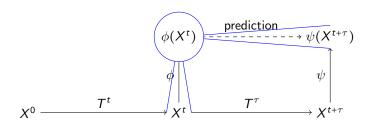
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- Pre-measurement $\phi: \Sigma \to \mathcal{S}_{\phi}$ defined by $\Pr(\phi(X)|X)$

The Optimal Prediction Problem

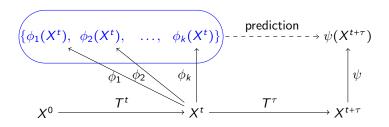


The Information Bottleneck Method [Tishby et al., 1999] :

- **Maximize** Predictive Capacity $max_{\phi} I(\phi(X^t); \psi(X^{t+\tau}))$
- **Minimize** Measurement Complexity $min_{\phi} I(X^t; \phi(X^t))$
- Minimize the IB-variational

$$min_{\Pr(\hat{X}|X)}$$
 $I(X^t; \phi(X^t)) - \beta I(\phi(X^t); \psi(X^{t+\tau}))$ with $\beta \in \mathbb{R}^+$

Constraining the Set of Feasible Measurements



- Given a collection $\Phi = \{\phi_1, \dots, \phi_k\}$ of *feasible* pre-measurements
- Minimize the IB-variational

$$min_{\phi \in \Phi} \quad I(X^t; \phi(X^t)) \quad - \quad \beta \quad I(\phi(X^t); \psi(X^{t+\tau})) \quad \text{with } \beta \in \mathbb{R}^+$$

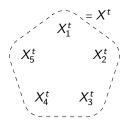
Application to Agent-based Systems

- Agent Set

$$\Omega = \{1, \dots, N\}$$

• Agent States
$$X_1^t \in S, \quad X_2^t \in S, \quad \dots, \quad X_k^t \in S$$

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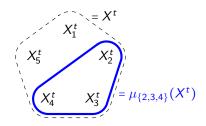
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- Generic Measurement
 - a familly of measurements $(\mu_A : \Sigma \to \mathcal{S}_{\mu})$ for any $A \subset \Omega$ such that $\Pr(\mu_A(X)|X) = \Pr(\mu_A(X)|(X_i)_{i \in A})$



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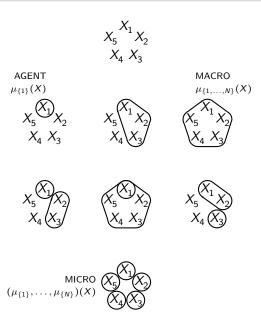


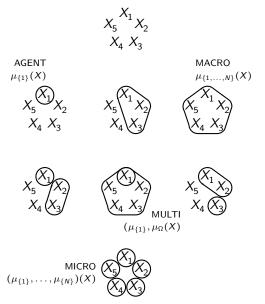




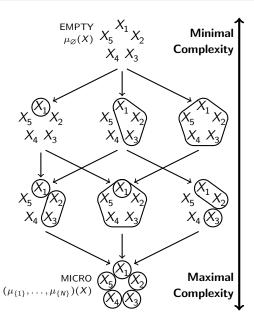








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Definition 1 (Additivity)

 $\begin{array}{l} \mu \text{ additive iff } \forall A \cap B = \varnothing, \\ H(\mu_{A \cup B}(X) \mid \mu_A(X), \mu_B(X)) = 0 \\ H(\mu_A(X) \mid \mu_{A \cup B}(X), \mu_B(X)) = 0 \end{array}$

Definition 2 (Refinement)

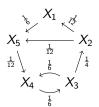
 $\phi_1 < \phi_2$ iff $X \to \phi_1(X) \to \phi_2(X)$ is a Markov chain iff $I(X;\phi_2(X)|\phi_1(X)) = 0$

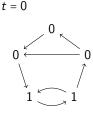
Theorem 3 (Monotonicity)

 $\begin{array}{l} \phi_1 \prec \phi_2 \Rightarrow \\ I(\phi_1(X^t); \psi(X^{t+\tau})) \geq I(\phi_2(X^t); \psi(X^{t+\tau})) \\ \text{and } I(X^t; \phi_1(X^t)) \geq I(X^t; \phi_2(X^t)) \end{array}$

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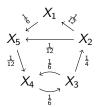
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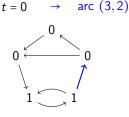




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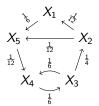
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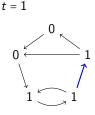




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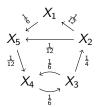
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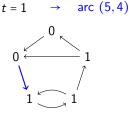




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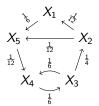
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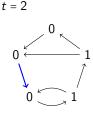




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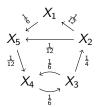
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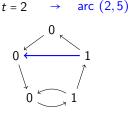




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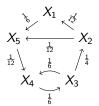
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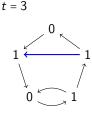




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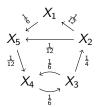
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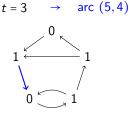




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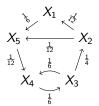
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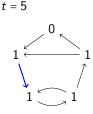




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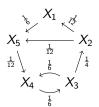
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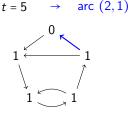




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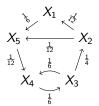
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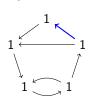




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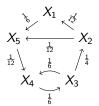


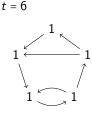


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- All arcs are equally likely
- Uniform Initial State

$$\begin{aligned} &\forall \left(i,j\right) \in \Omega^{2}, \quad \operatorname{Pr}(\operatorname{arc}\left(i,j\right)) = \frac{1}{N\left(N-1\right)} \\ &\forall x \in \left\{0,1\right\}^{N}, \quad p(X^{0} = x) = 2^{-N} \end{aligned}$$

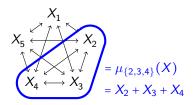


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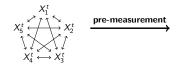
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- Uniform Initial State
- Aggregated-state Measurement $\forall A \subset \Omega$, $\eta_A(x) = \sum_{i \in A} x_i$



Predicting the Macroscopic Measurement

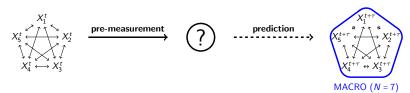


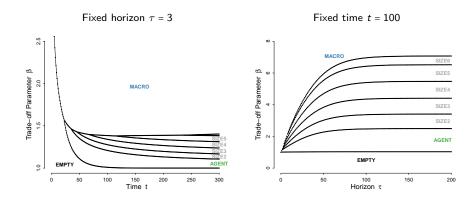




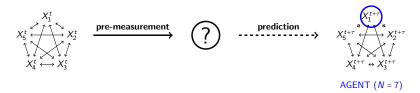


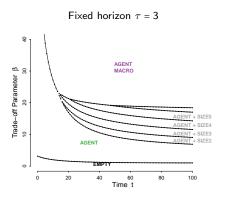
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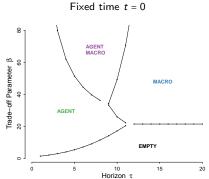




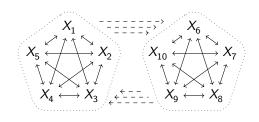
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The Two-community Graph



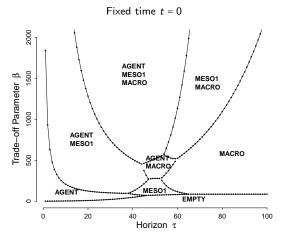
First Community Ω_1

Second Community Ω_2

Coupling Parameter
$$\rho = \frac{Pr(\text{inter edge})}{Pr(\text{intra edge})} < 1$$

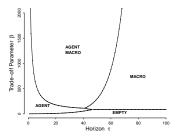
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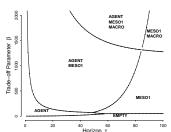


Some Other Heterogeneous Interaction Graphs

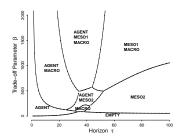
Homogeneous Case : $\rho_{1\rightarrow2}$ = $\rho_{2\rightarrow1}$ = 1



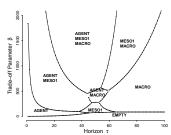
Leader Case : $\rho_{1\rightarrow 2}=1$ and $\rho_{2\rightarrow 1}=1/5$



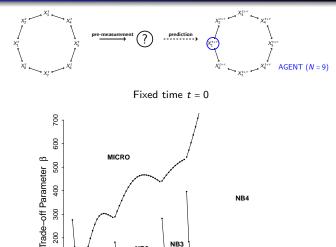
Follower Case : $\rho_{1\rightarrow2}$ = 1/5 and $\rho_{2\rightarrow1}$ = 1



Symmetrical Case : $\rho_{1\rightarrow 2} = \rho_{2\rightarrow 1} = 1/5$



Predicting the Agent Measurement in the Ring



NB3

Horizon τ

60

40

NB2

NB1

20

100

AGENT

100

80

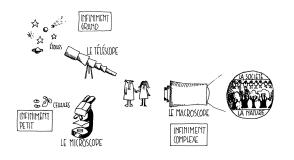
Application Perspectives

- Application to efficient prediction of national economic indicators from the structure of the trade network:
 - Countries exchange products on a global scale
 - Multilevel measurements regarding the network of international trade (related to graph theory and community modelling)
 - Multilevel measurements regarding the structure of products (production chains, productions stages, economic fields, etc.)
 - Complexity should also be used to model data collection costs

Thank you for your attention

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"Aujourd'hui nous sommes confrontés à un autre infini : l'infiniment complexe. Mais cette fois, plus d'instrument."

Joël de Rosnay, Le macroscope, 1975