

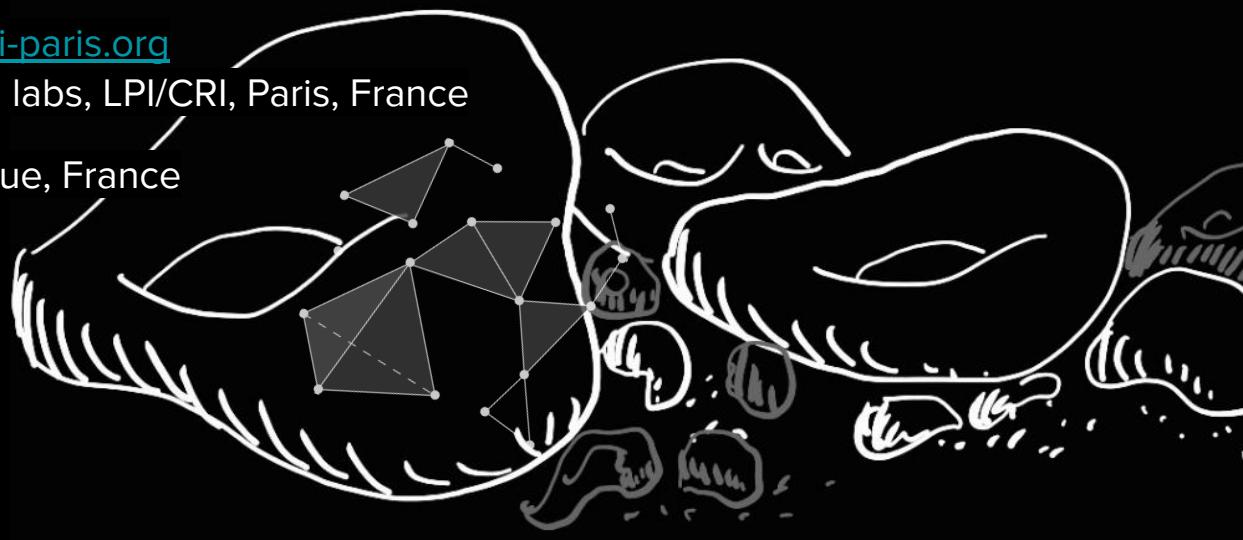
Dissecting embedding method: learning higher-order structures from data

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- $'$ — отрицание: p' — не p ;
- \wedge — конъюнкция: $p_1 \wedge p_2$ — p_1 и p_2 ;
- \vee — дизъюнкция: $p_1 \vee p_2$ — p_1 или p_2 ;
- \rightarrow — импликация: $p_1 \rightarrow p_2$ — если p_1 , то p_2 ;
- \leftrightarrow — эквивалентность: $p_1 \leftrightarrow p_2$ — p_1 эквивалентно p_2 ,
- \wedge_a — квантор общности: $\wedge_a \Pi(a)$ — все a удовлетворяют функции-высказыванию $\Pi(a)$;
- \vee_a — квантор существования: $\vee_a \Pi(a)$ — существует a , удовлетворяющее функции-высказыванию $\Pi(a)$;
- $\wedge_{\Pi_1(a)}$ — ограниченный квантор общности: $\wedge_{\Pi_1(a)} \Pi_2(a)$ — все a , удовлетворяющие функции-высказыванию $\Pi_1(a)$, удовлетворяют функции-высказыванию $\Pi_2(a)$ или

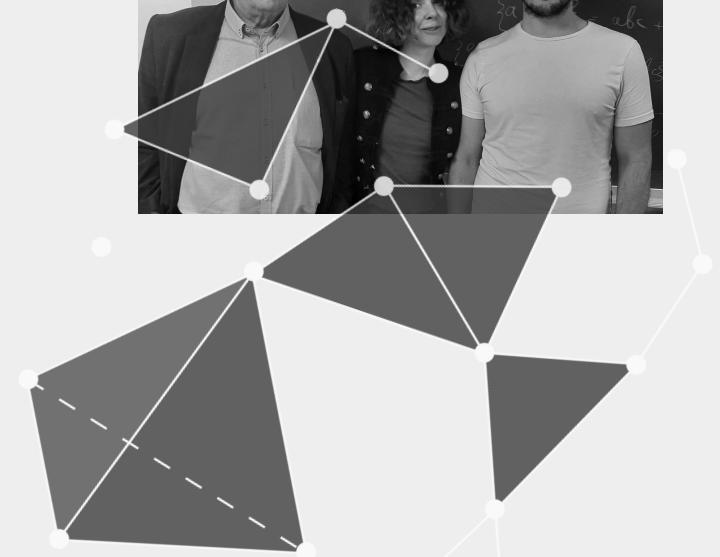
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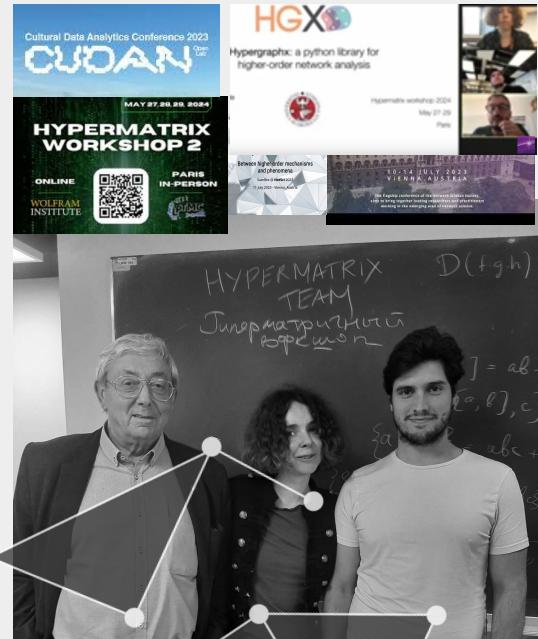
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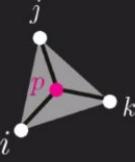
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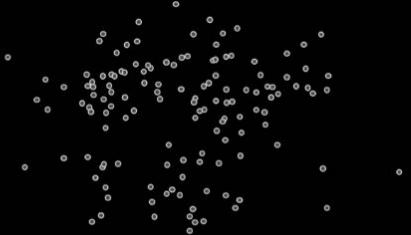
- **Main question:** how to encode embeddings from data using n-ary hypergraph structures?
- **Collaborations:** Zapata (Wolfram Institute, SEMF), Santolini (LPI), Kathuria (Bell labs), Kerner (LPTMC), Boccalletti team (MIPT)
- **Events** [CUDAN lab conference, Estonia](#) 2023
[Hypermatrix workshop 2024](#) (Wolfram Institute, Paris, France)
NetSci Conference, Canada 2024
[presentation](#)
Embed-days (ENS, MIPT, hybrid) 2025



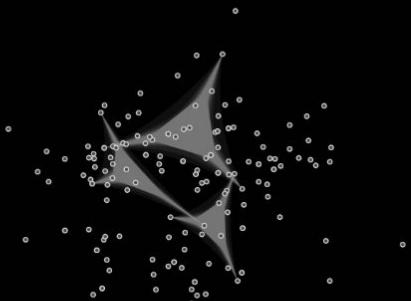
Relation to other Wolfram Institute projects

Hypergraph Motif	Adjacency Condition	Hypermatrix Operation	Higher-Arity Algebra
		$B_{ij} = \sum_{\textcolor{violet}{p}=1}^N A_{ip} \cdot A_{pj}$	binary associative (ordinary matrix multiplication)
		$B_{ijk} = \sum_{\textcolor{violet}{p}=1}^N A_{ip} \cdot A_{jp} \cdot A_{kp}$	ternary non-closed (triple index contraction)
		$B_{ijk} = \sum_{\textcolor{violet}{p}=1}^N A_{ijp} \cdot A_{ipk} \cdot A_{pjk}$	ternary non-associative (Bhattacharya-Mesner algebra)

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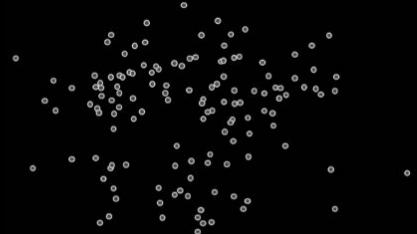


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BMIN=Hypergraph[{1,2,3,4},Hyperedges[{1, 2, 4}, {1, 4, 3}, {4, 2, 3}]];
BMOU=Hypergraph[{1,2,3,4},Hyperedges[{1,2,3}]];
BMRule=HypergraphRule[BMIN,BMOU]
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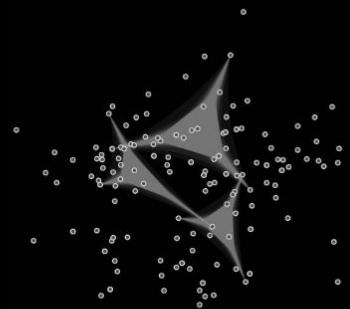
Zapata et al. An Invitation to
Higher Arity Science, Complex
Systems 32(4) 2024 Zapata, LT
(2024) NetSci Conference, Canada
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The figure consists of two diagrams. The top diagram shows a hyperedge connecting nodes i and j through a central node p . The bottom diagram shows a hyperedge connecting nodes i , j , and k through a central node p .

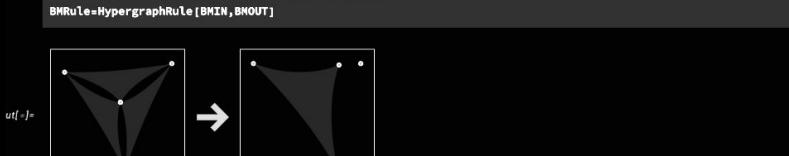
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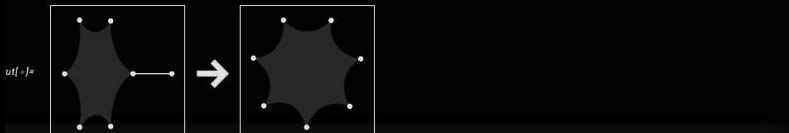
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BMOUT=Hypergraph[{1,2,3,4},Hyperedges[{1,2,3}]];
BMRule=HypergraphRule[BMIN,BMOUT]
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In[1]:= BladesIN=Hypergraph[{1,2,3,4,5},Hyperedges[{1, 2, 3}, {2, 3, 4}, {2, 3, 5}]];
BladesOUT=Hypergraph[{1,2,3,4,5},Hyperedges[{1,4,5}]];
BladesRule=HypergraphRule[BladesIN,BladesOUT]
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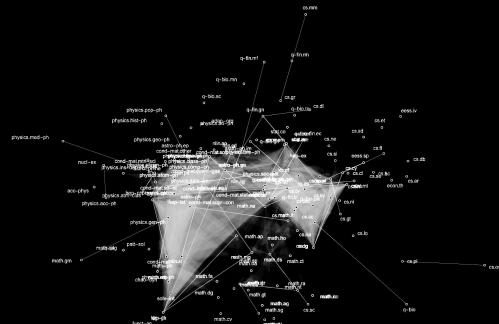


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LollipopOUT=Hypergraph[{1,2,3,4,5,6,7},Hyperedges[{1, 2, 3,4,5,6,7}]];
LollipopRule=HypergraphRule[LollipopIN,LollipopOUT]
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Outline

Part 1:
Formalisation of the problem of the embedding of
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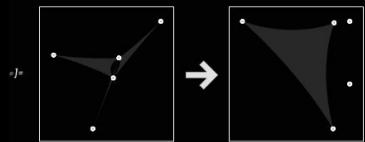
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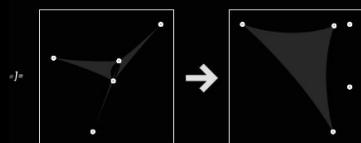
Take-home message

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Problem of embeddings theory

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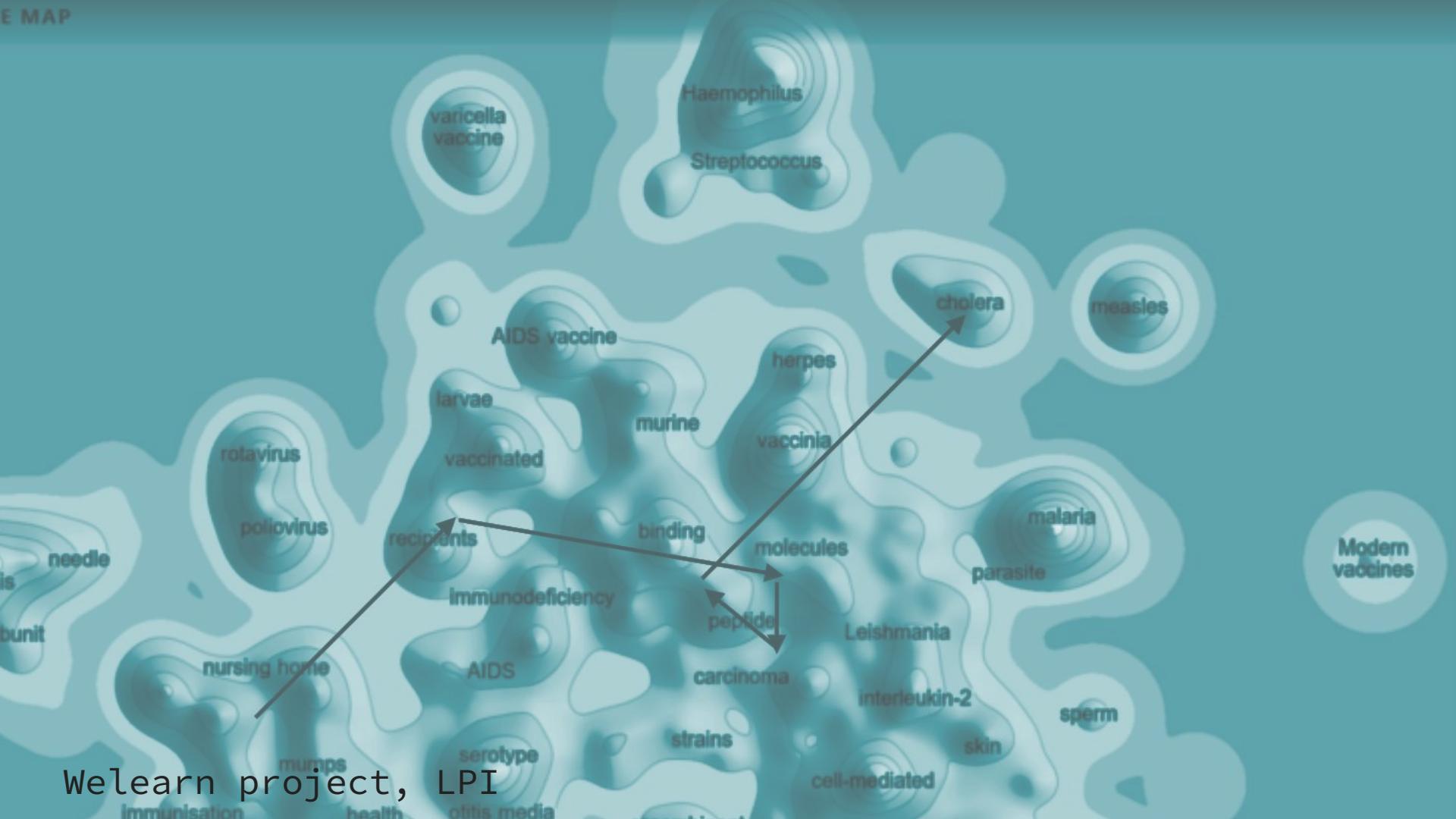
Why some of the embedding techniques are not giving us good results?

The screenshot shows the Mixedbread AI interface. On the left, there's a sidebar with links like General, Overview, Quickstart, Glossary, and Embeddings. The main area has a heading "Suitable Scoring Methods" with a list of three bullet points: "Cosine Similarity", "Euclidean Distance", and "Dot Product". A tooltip is overlaid on the page, highlighting the first point about the /embeddings endpoint.

ⓘ The prompt parameter is available via our [/embeddings endpoint](#), [SDKs](#), and some third-party integrations, to automatically prepend the prompt to the texts for you. By default, we calculate the embeddings using the provided text directly.

Suitable Scoring Methods

- **Cosine Similarity:** Ideal for measuring the similarity between text vectors, commonly used in tasks like semantic textual similarity and information retrieval.
- **Euclidean Distance:** Useful for measuring dissimilarity between embeddings, especially effective in clustering and outlier detection.
- **Dot Product:** Appropriate when embeddings are normalized; used in tasks where alignment of vector orientation is critical.



Why some of the embedding methods do not work as well as theory promises?

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def jump_distance_vector(trajectory):
    j_dist=[]
    for i in range(len(trajectory)-1):
        p1,p2=trajectory[i],trajectory[i+1]
        eucl = np.sqrt(((p2[0]-p1[0])**2 + ((p2[1]-p1[1])**2))
        j_dist.append(eucl)

    return j_dist

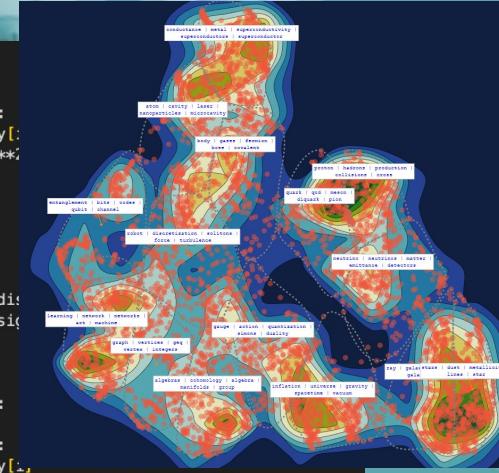
def z_scoreD(dist_vec):
    u,sig = np.mean(dist_vec),np.std(dist_vec)
    zscore = list(map(lambda x:(x-u)/sig,x))
    return zscore

def distance_from0_vector(trajectory):
    dist=[]
    for i in range(1,len(trajectory)):
        p0,p1=trajectory[0],trajectory[i]
        eucl = np.sqrt(((p1[0]-p0[0])**2 + ((p1[1]-p0[1])**2)))
        dist.append(eucl)

    return dist

def jump_duration(days):
    time=[]
    for i in range(len(days)-1):
        d0,d1=days[i],days[i+1]
        time.append(d1-d0)
    return time

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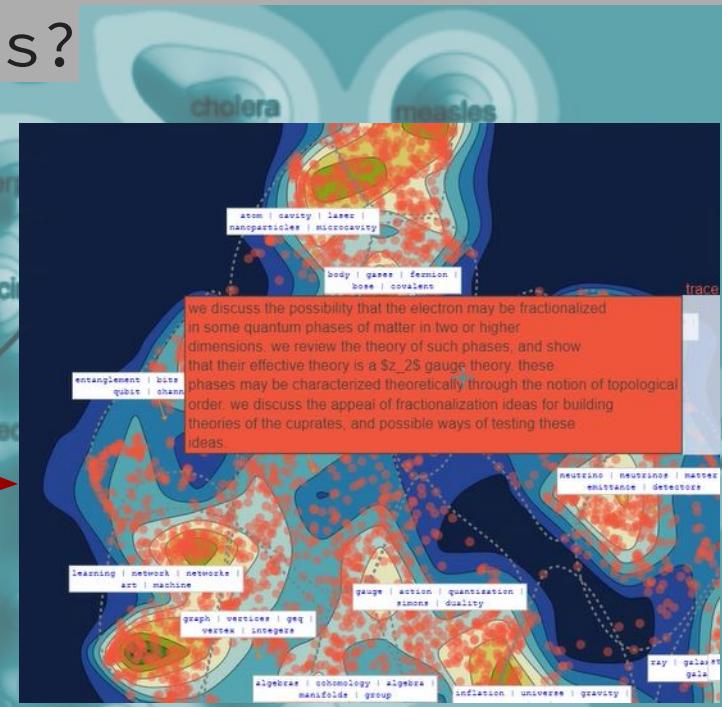


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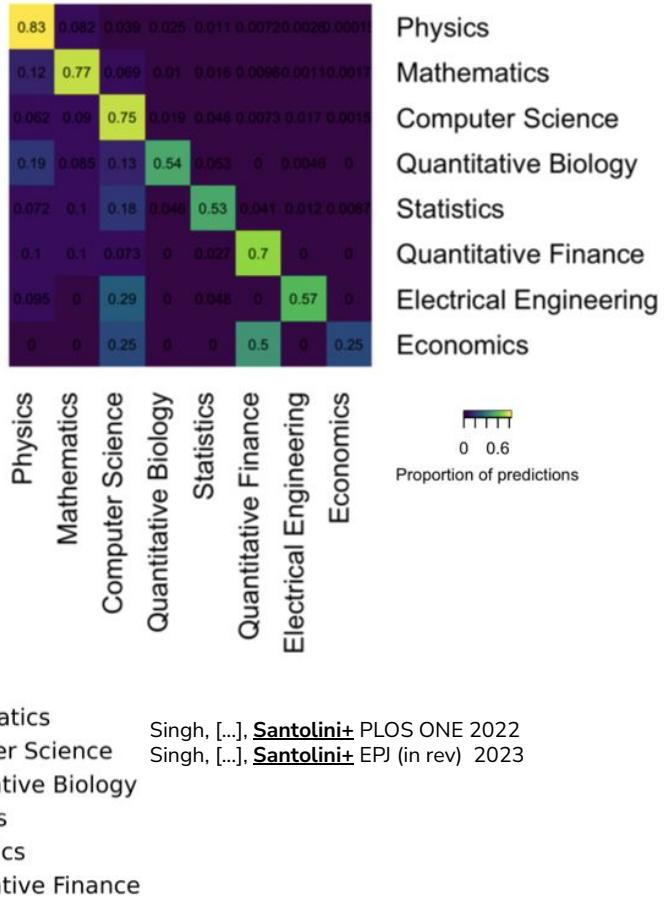
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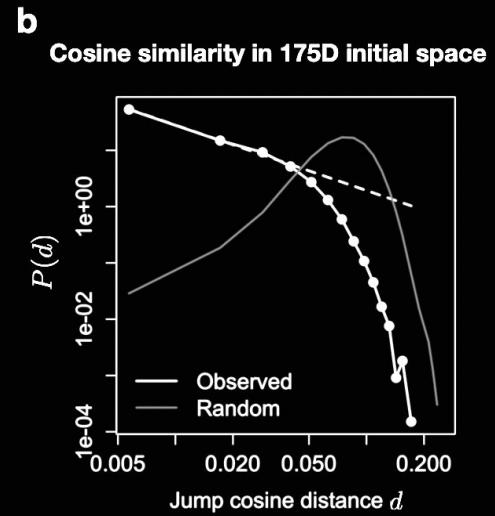
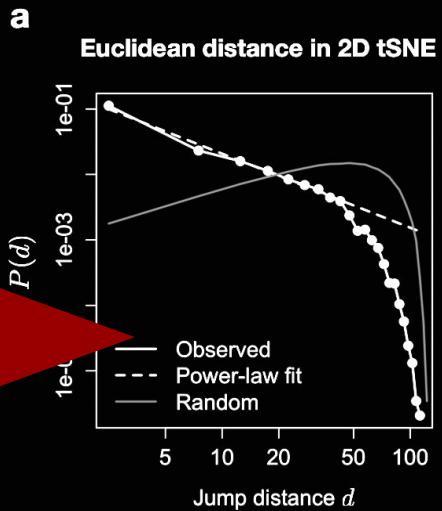


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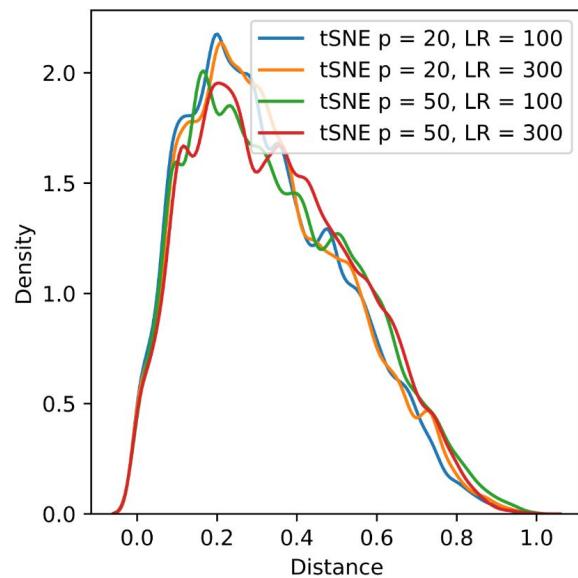
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Singh, L. Tupikina, M. Starnini, M. Santolini, Charting mobility patterns in the scientific knowledge landscape, EPJ D.S. 13,12 (2024)
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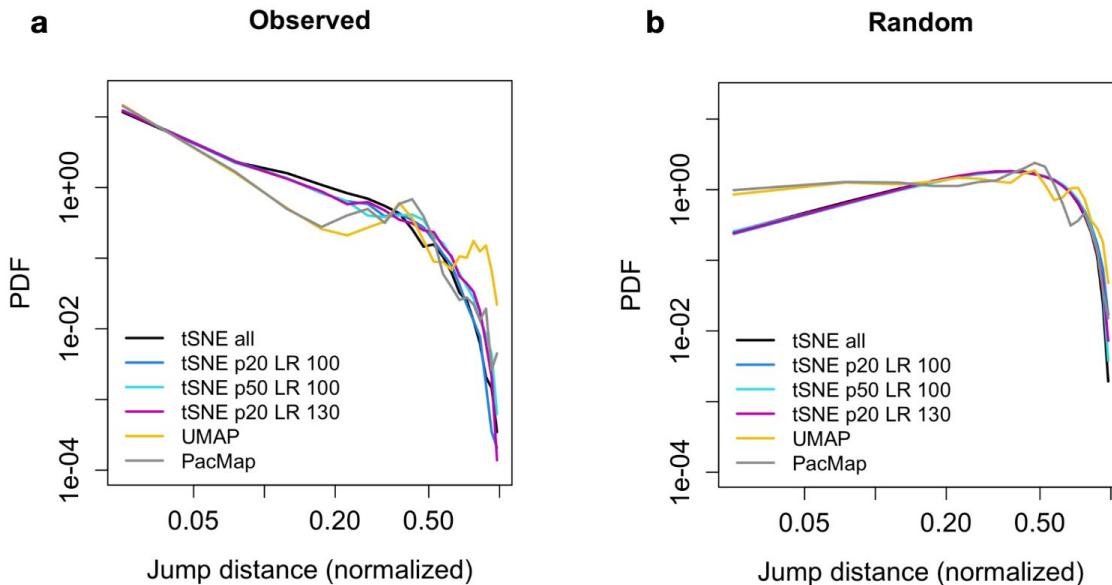
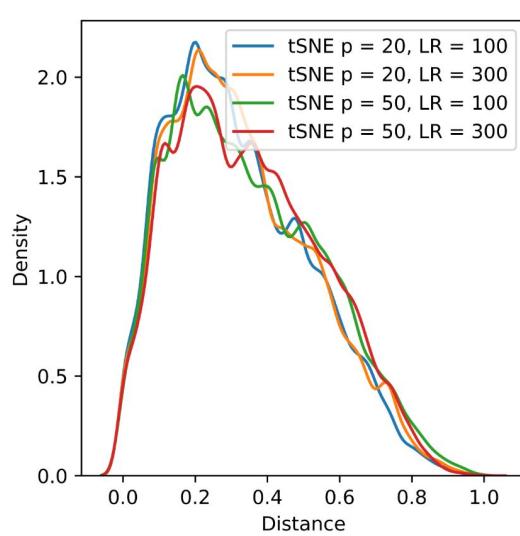
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First method: compare jump distance distributions from embeddings.



How to characterize embedding methods?

First method: compare jump distance distributions from embeddings, **yet this considers only pairwise data relations.**

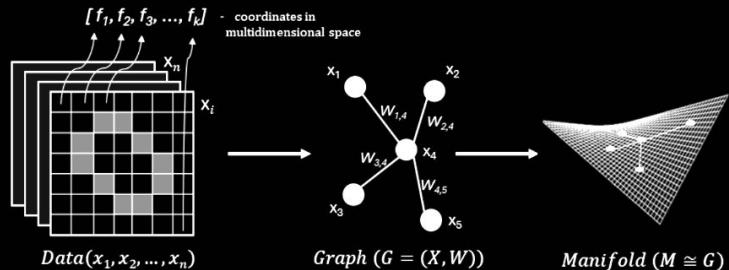


Challenges for explainable embedding analysis

1. Manifold learning assumes that manifold properties are controlled mainly by the learning parameters, not data properties.
2. Initial feature space is assumed with Euclidean metric, and is transferred to a manifold.
3. Distance metric learning algorithms capture data relations from manifold structures.



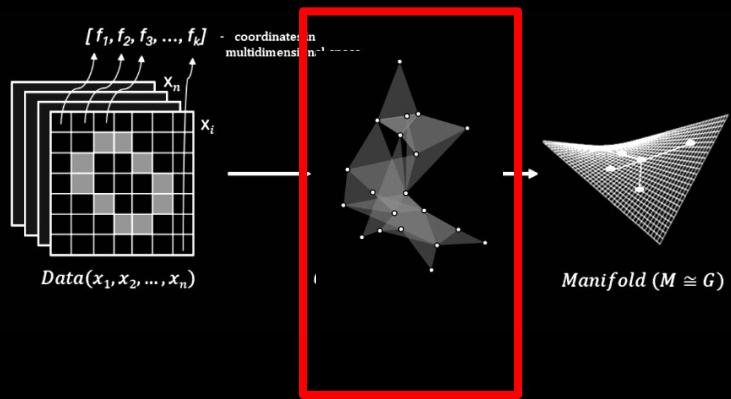
Proposed pathway to overcome challenges in manifold learning and explainable embeddings



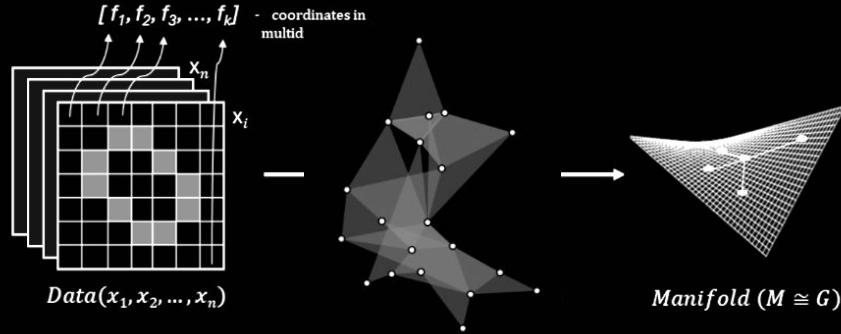
Theorem 2.1.1 (No Free Lunch Theorem). *No learning algorithm achieves uniform universal consistency. That is, for all $\varepsilon > 0$:*

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sup_{\rho} \mathbb{P} \left(\mathcal{E}(\hat{f}) - \inf_{f \in \mathcal{F}} \mathcal{E}(f) > \varepsilon \right) = \infty$$

Proposed method to overcome challenges in manifold learning and explainable embeddings

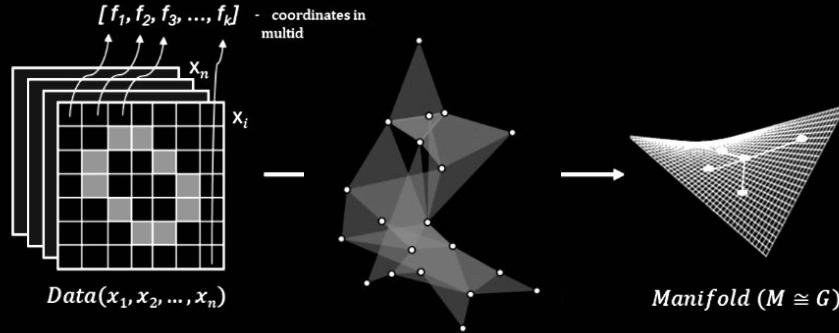


Proposed method



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- Hypergraph measures for the latent space representation e.g. motifs analysis

Proposed method for dissecting embedding methods



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Main evidence:

Neural networks, LLMS can be successively trained **in lower-dimensional subspaces (extracted curated manifolds)**.

It is not necessary to update millions of parameters on small fine-tuning datasets ([Razhigaev et al. 2024 ACL](#), [de Dampierre et al. arxiv 2024](#))

SOTA methods for reconstruction of lower-dimensional embedding space

**Phase 1: Construct a graph
representing the data**

**Phase 2: Embed this graph into
a lower dimensional space**

Method for reconstruction of knowledge space

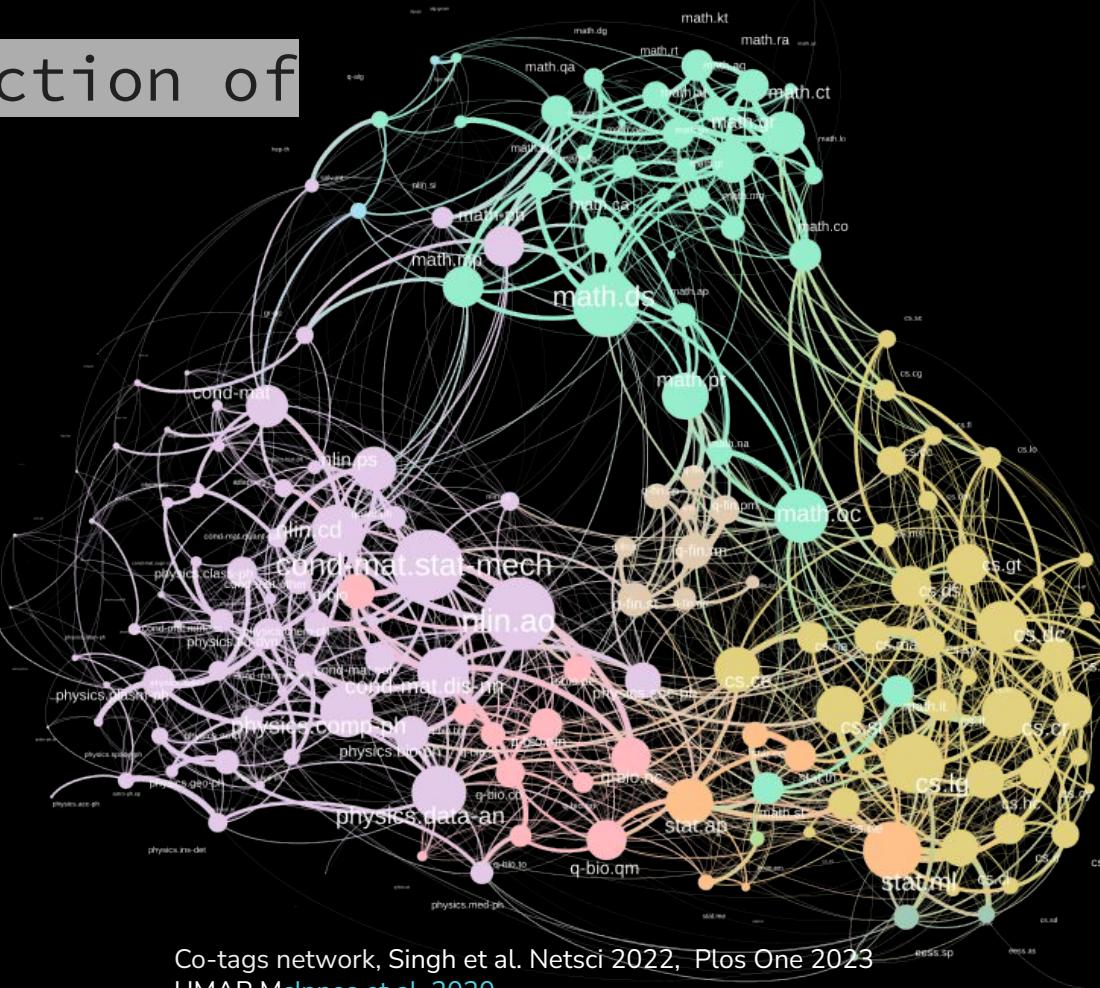
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$$p_{ij} = \frac{\binom{K}{k} \binom{N-K}{n-k}}{\binom{N}{n}}$$

Edge Weight = $-\log_{10}(p_{ij})$

N - total articles, K - articles in
field i, n - articles in field j, k -
common articles bw i, j



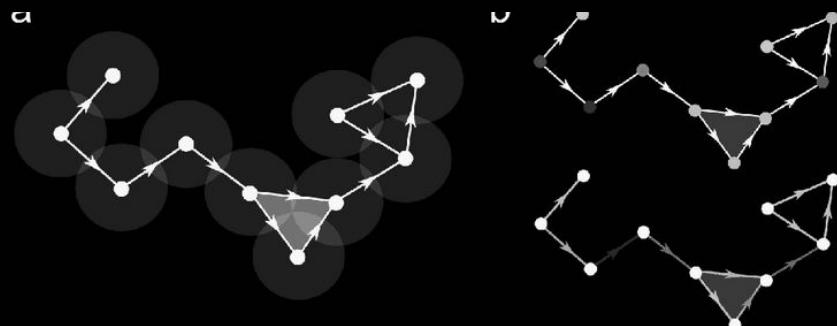
Co-tags network, Singh et al. NetSci 2022, Plos One 2023
UMAP McInnes et al. 2020

Example of UMAP method

Phase 1: Construct a graph
representing data

Phase 2: Embed this graph into
a lower dimensional space

Theorem 1 (Nerve). Let $U = \{U_i\}_i \in I$ be a cover of topological space X . If, for all $\sigma \in I : \cap_{i \in \sigma} U_i$ is either contractible or empty, then $N(U)$ is homotopically equivalent to X .



$$C((A, \mu), (A, \nu)) \triangleq \sum_{a \in A} \left(\mu(a) \log \left(\frac{\mu(a)}{\nu(a)} \right) + (1 - \mu(a)) \log \left(\frac{1 - \mu(a)}{1 - \nu(a)} \right) \right).$$

Data structures for testing higher-order methods for embeddings analysis



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On the Use of ArXiv as a Dataset

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The arXiv has collected 1.5 million pre-print articles over 28 years, hosting literature from scientific fields including Physics, Mathematics, and Computer Science. Each pre-print features text, figures, authors, citations, categories, and other metadata. These rich, multi-modal features, combined with the natural graph structure—created by citation, affiliation, and co-authorship—makes the arXiv an exciting candidate for benchmarking next-generation models. Here we take the first necessary steps toward this goal, by providing a pipeline which standardizes and simplifies access to the arXiv's publicly available data. We use this pipeline to extract and analyze a 6.7 million edge citation graph, with an 11 billion word corpus of full-text research articles. We present some baseline classification results, and motivate application of more exciting generative graph models.

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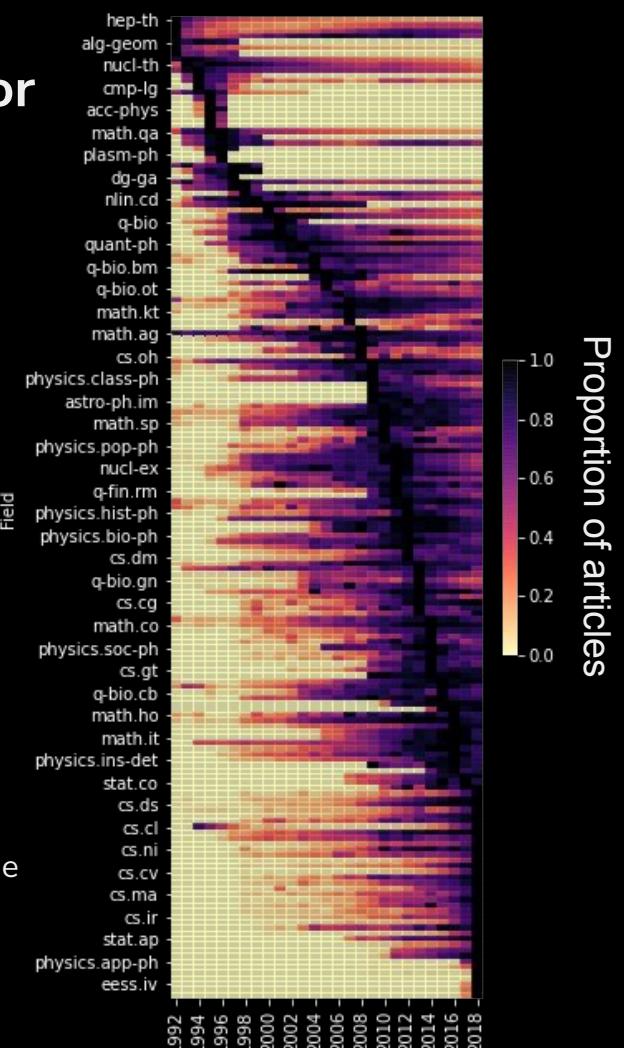
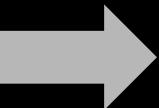
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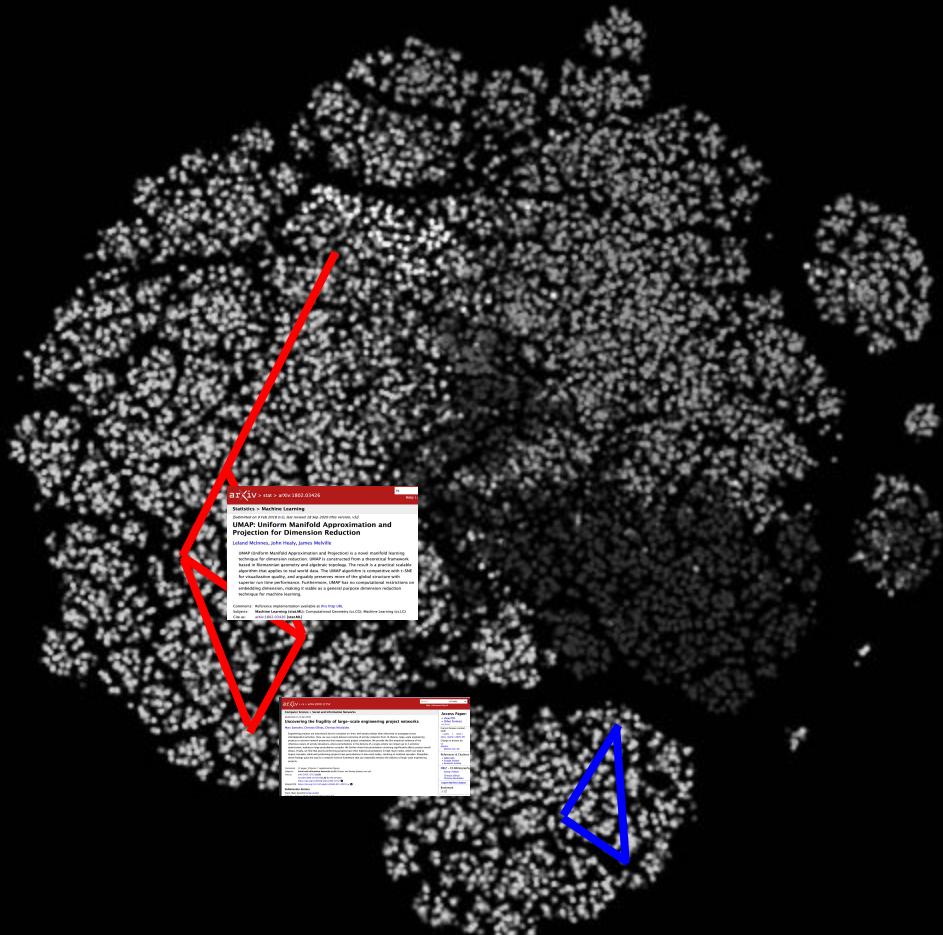
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Representative (lower-dimensional)
'knowledge' space

$$R_g^k = \sqrt{\frac{\sum_{i=1}^k M_i(R_i - R_{cm}^k)^2}{\sum_{i=1}^k M_i}}$$

Dichotomy of human trajectories, radius of gyration
(Pappalardo et al. 2015)

Proposed embedding method

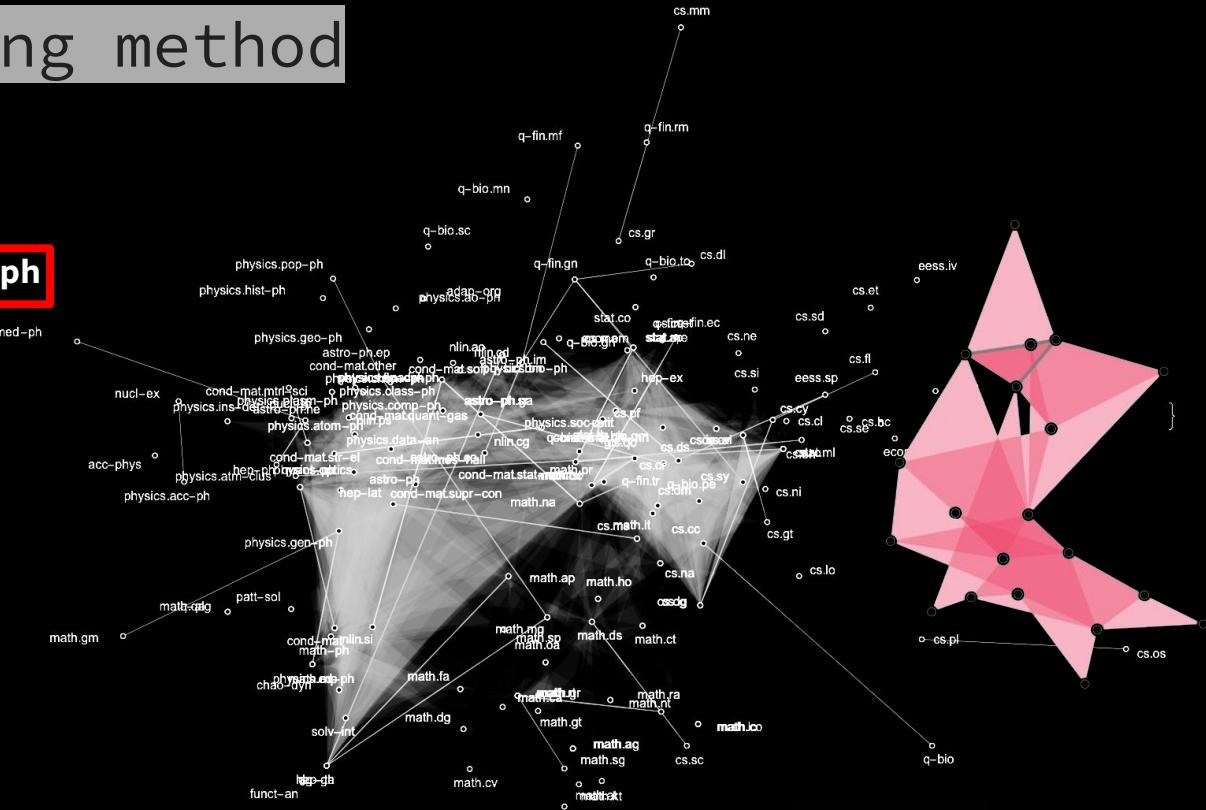
Phase 1: Construct **hypergraph** representing data

Phase 2. Embed the hypergraph/apply motifs, rewriting analysis

$$p_{ij} \rightarrow p_{ijk}$$

Learning hypergeometric embeddings
Zhou et al. NIPS (2006)

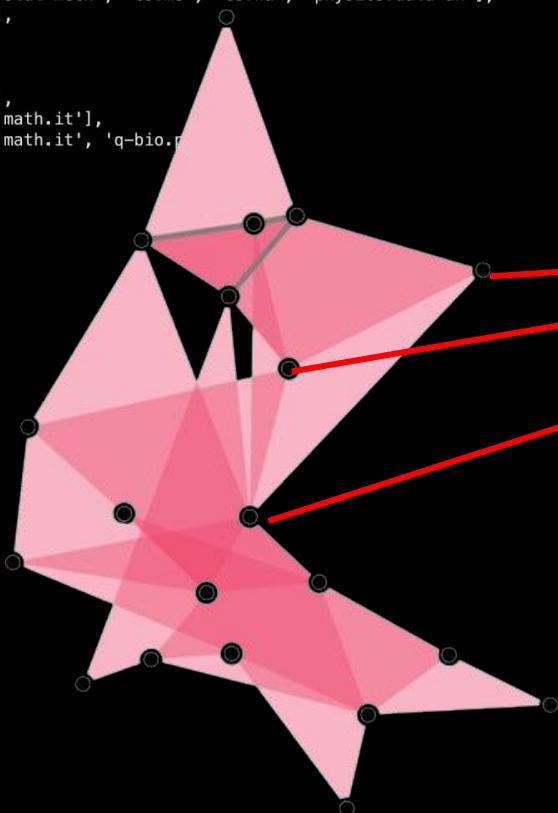
Learning distances in weighted hypergraphs, cognitive distances,
Vasilieva, LT, et al. (in prep.)



$$C((A, \mu), (A, \nu)) :$$

Encoding data with higher-order relations

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UMAP (Uniform Manifold Approximation and Projection) is a novel manifold learning technique for dimension reduction. UMAP is constructed from a theoretical framework based in Riemannian geometry and algebraic topology. The result is a practical scalable algorithm that applies to real world data. The UMAP algorithm is competitive with t-SNE for visualization quality, and arguably preserves more of the global structure with superior run time performance. Furthermore, UMAP has no computational restrictions on embedding dimension, making it viable as a general purpose dimension reduction technique for machine learning.

Comments: Reference implementation available at [this GitHub URL](#)

Subjects: Machine Learning (stat.ML); Computational Geometry (cs.CG); Machine Learning (cs.LG)

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Hypergraph of co-tags is generalisation of co-tags network.

Data representations:

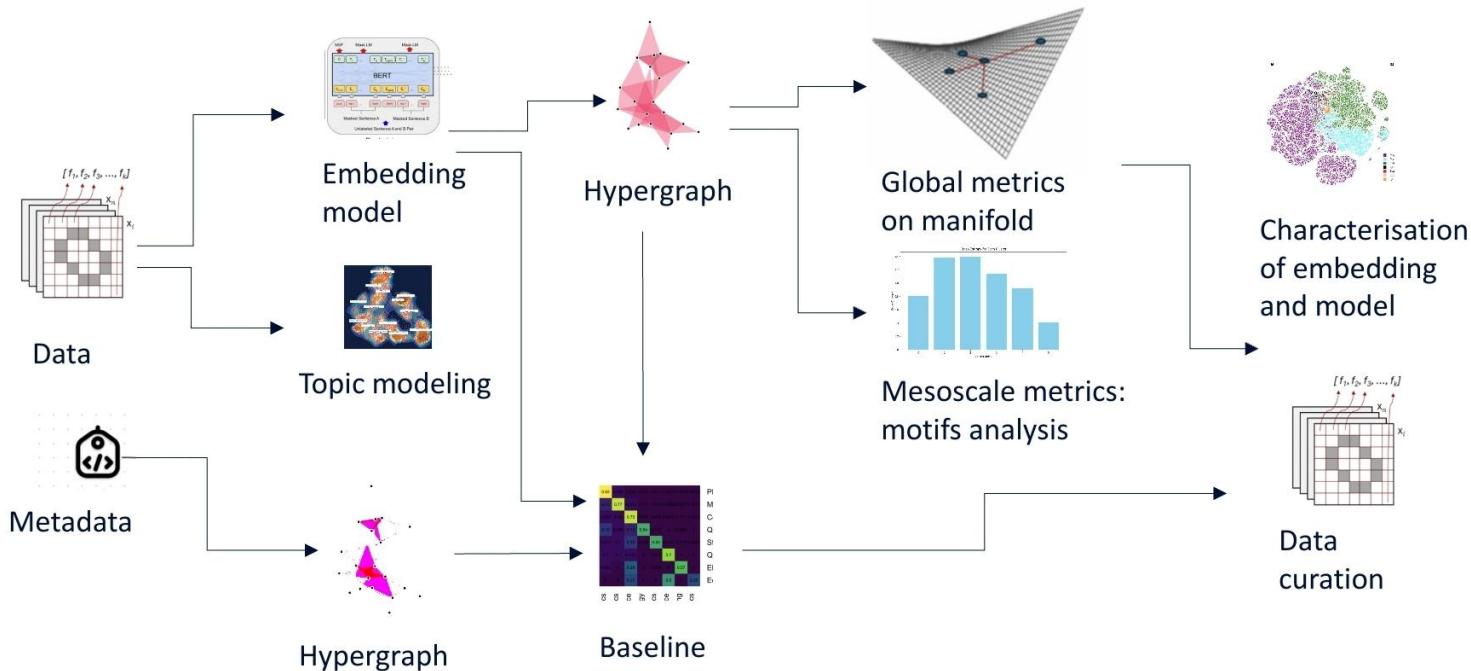
Nodes: fields

Hyperedges: papers

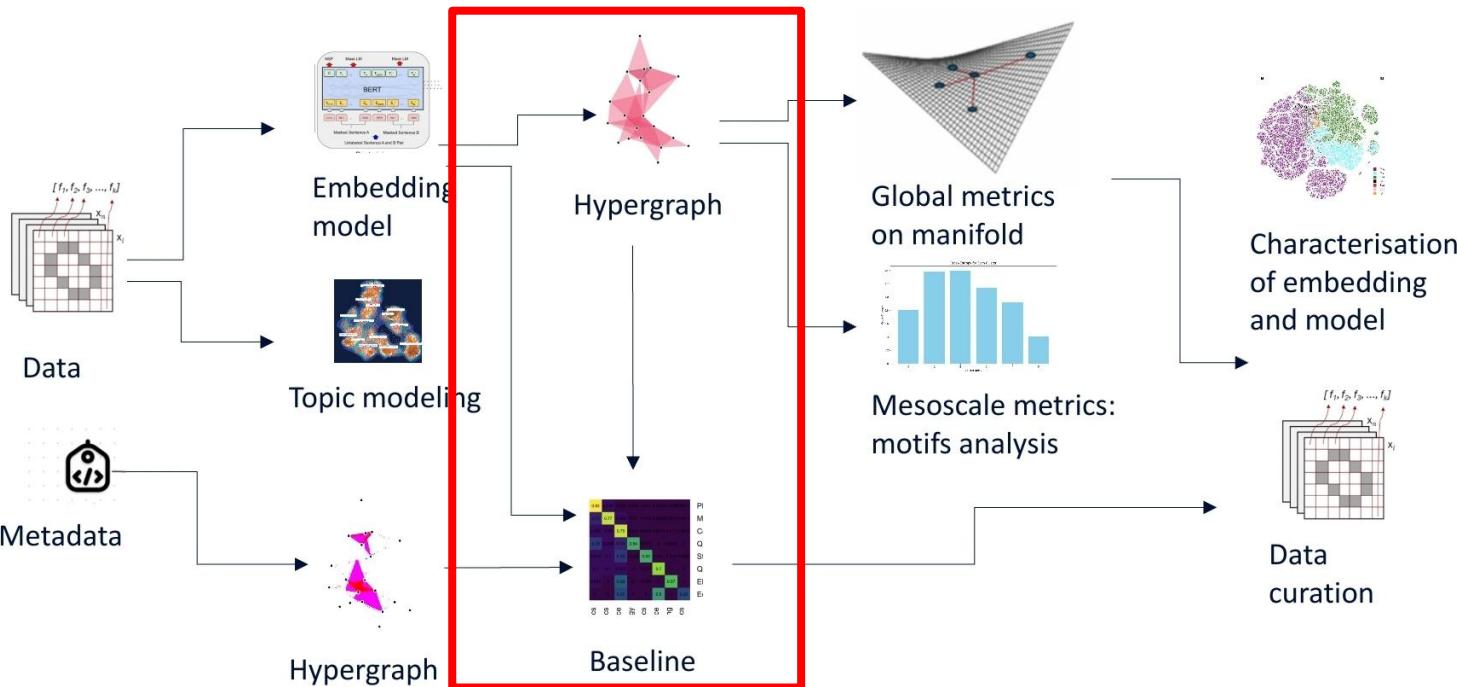
Nodes: articles

Hyperedges: relations between them

Encoding data with higher-order relations

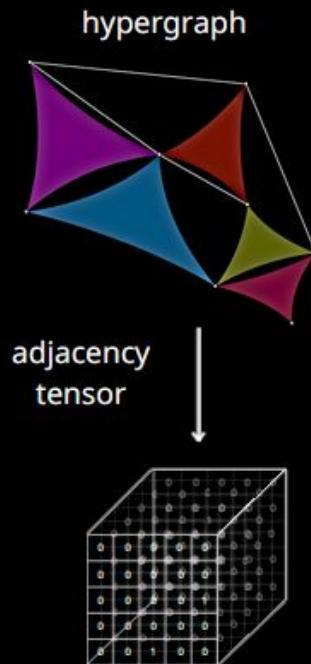


Hypergraphs structures to encode and compare embedding methods



C. Zapata-Carratalá, LT, Hypermatrix Algebra and Irreducible Arity in Higher-Order systems, NetSci (2024),
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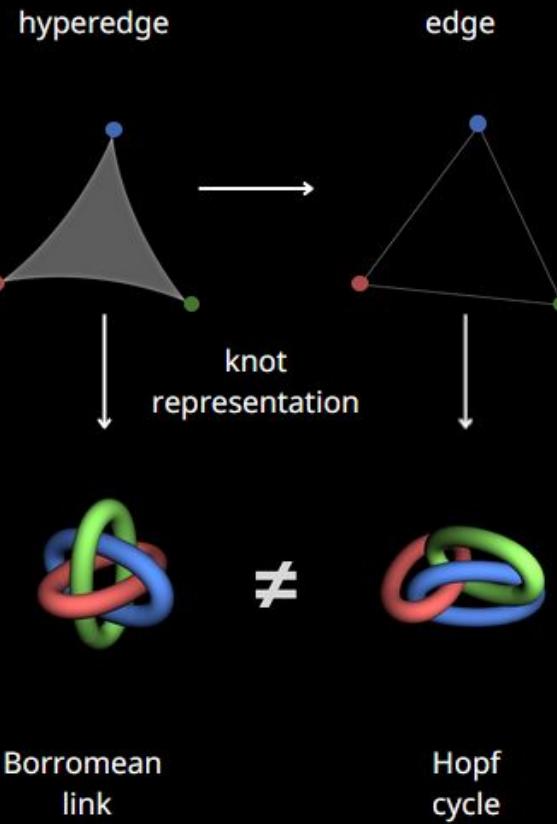
Higher-order structures require different theories to be developed



projection

trace

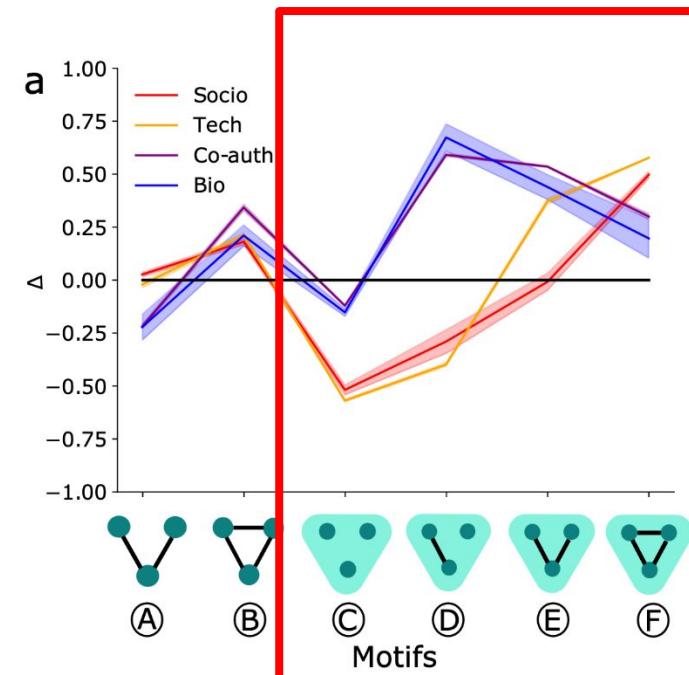
algebraic representation



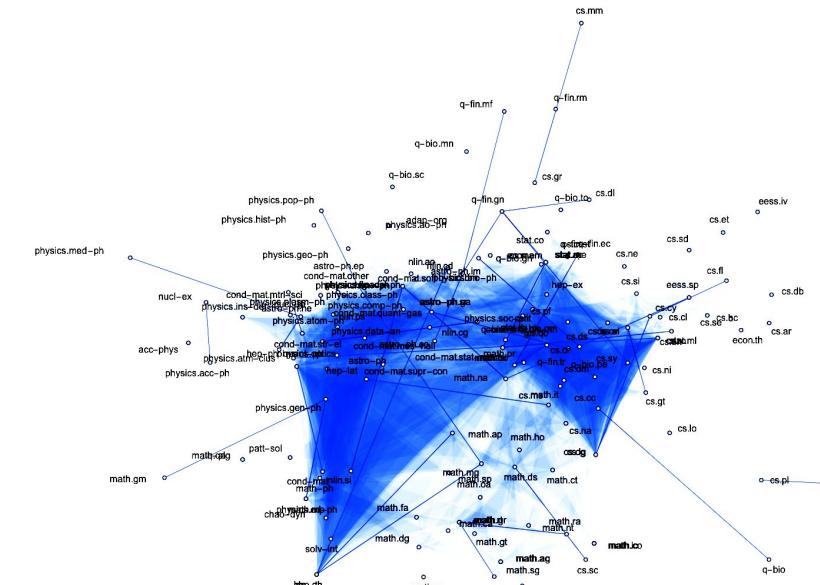
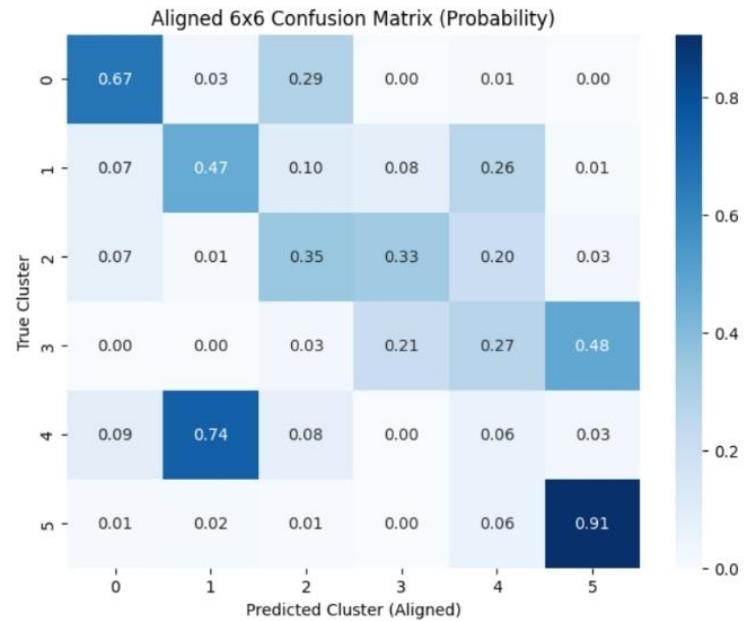
Applications of hypergraph motifs for dissection of embeddings

SOTA algorithms treat systems with higher order interactions as binary systems using linear algebraic mathematical structures
[Lotito, Battiston et al. 2021]

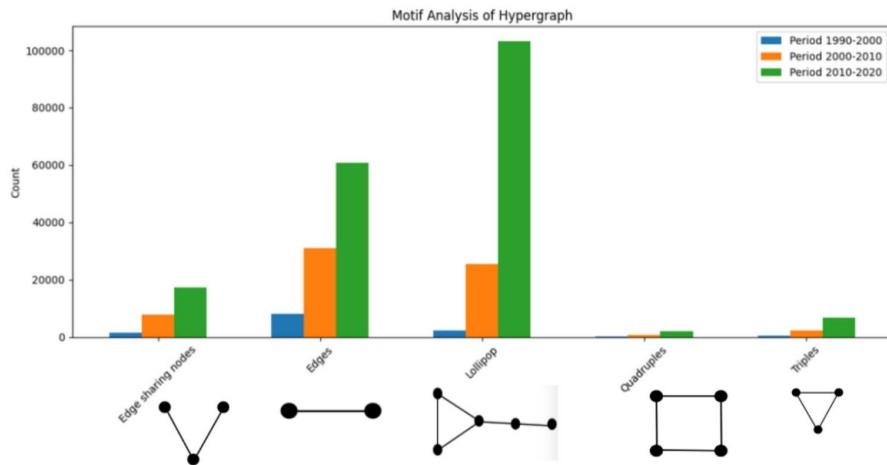
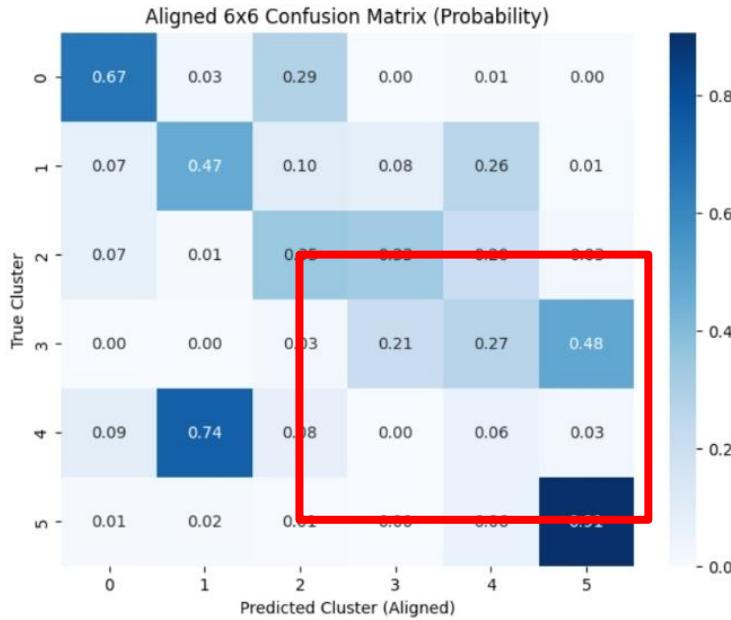
Higher order interactions are neglected due to the lack of applicability of higher-order mathematical structures (non-associative algebras, n-ary algebras) [Kerner, Abramov et al. 2000, Zapata et al. 2022, Suchkevich, Wagner 1955]



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Outlook on the hypergraphs rewriting

Computational complexity of
hypergraphs operations working with
embeddings representation

<https://hal.science/hal-04730183>

https://github.com/Liyubov/hypergraph_distances

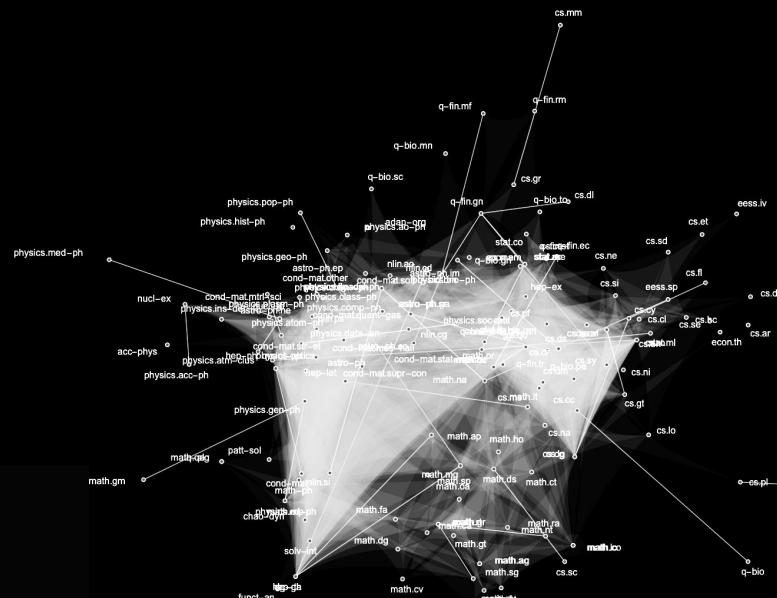
Dissecting embedding method: learning higher-order structures from
data

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Conclusions & remarks

Hypergraphs and algebraic structures encoding hypergraphs are alternative methods to study embedding methods ([github](#))

Comparison of latent space of models using combinatorial approaches, yet they are computationally expensive (MIPT project [github](#))

Hypergraphs isomorphism, [heaps](#) and associativity theory (Wolfram Institute, ПОМИ Санкт-Петербург)

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Ongoing seminars and workshops

Hypermatrix workshop TBD 2025

Course in MIPT on embeddings, hypergraphs
(with Raigorodsky) 2025

Colloquium Embed-days
(Vaccarino, Petri, Rudin, ENS, Sony labs)
hybrid 2025

Network seminar BrAINS series (ITMO, LPI)
2024/2025

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Further directions: hypergraphs isomorphism problem

Main definitions

Def.1. Let us for simplicity consider an undirected finite graph \mathbf{G} without multiple edges [4]. For defining the graph algebra $\mathbf{A}(\mathbf{G})$ we define the canonical form of a class.

Def.3 A semiheap is a set S together with a ternary operation $[, ,] : S \times S \times S \rightarrow S$ such that for all $a, b, c, d, e \in S$, $[[a, b, c], d, e] = [a, [d, c, b], e] = [a, b, [c, d, e]]$.

Def.4 Exceptional Bernstein algebra over a field K associated with a graph $G(V, E)$ where V is set of nodes: $U = \oplus_{v \in V} kv$, $k \in K$, $Z = \oplus_{(a,b) \in E} kz_a^b$, $A(G) = U \oplus Z$.

Def.5 Exceptional Bernstein algebra for K associated with l -uniform hypergraph H then is defined using Grishkov extension. Given $v_i \in V(H)$ we can then first define auxiliary constructions $U = \oplus_{v \in V} kv$, $k \in F$,

$$Z_3 = \oplus_{a,b,c} kz_{a,b,c}, v_a, v_b, v_c \in V(H),$$

where H contains only ternary edges, F is some field, z_3 is the operator acting on the space defined for the set of vertices. Then $A(H)$ algebra is simply $A(H) = U \oplus V$.

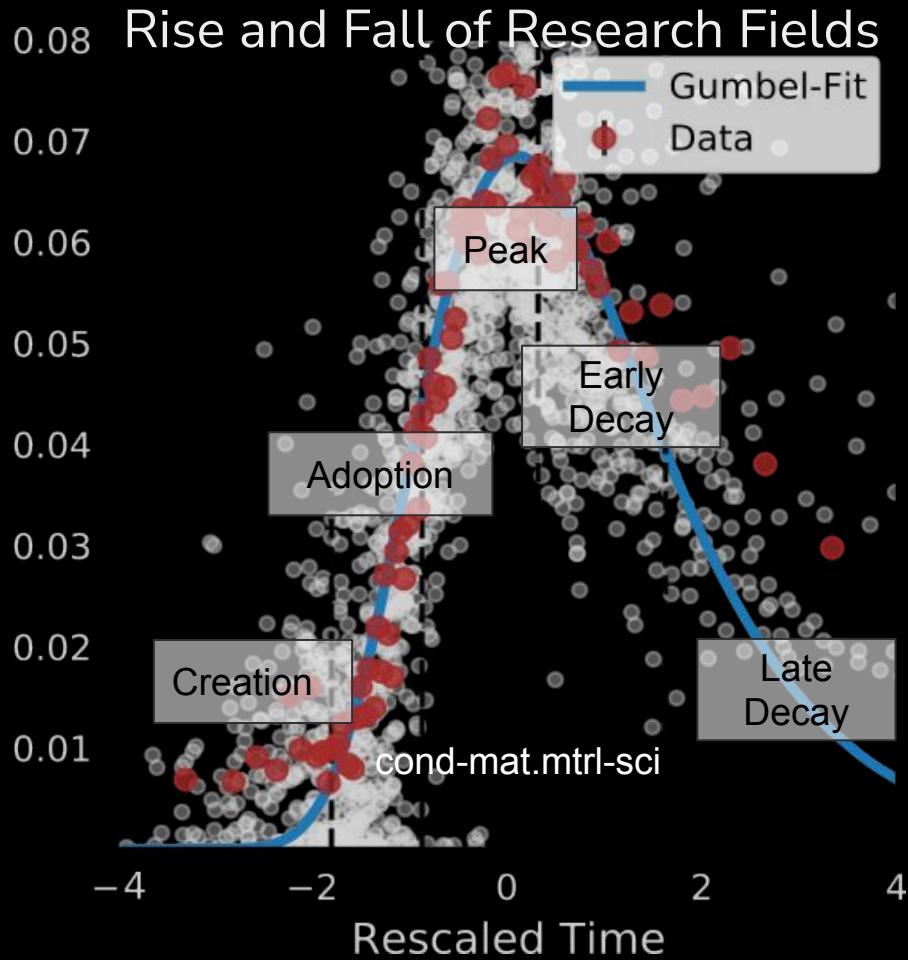
Def.6 Projection of the hypergraph H to graph G is made using hyperedges mapping: l -order hyperedge is mapped to the $(l-1)$ -order hyperedge.

Prop.1. Hypergraph algebra $A(H)$ is defined through the characteristic vectors of its vertices (on the consistency of Def.2 and Def.5).

Prop.2. Hypergraph algebra $A(H)$ fully defines the structure of the hypergraph H : given two hypergraph algebras equivalent, corresponding hypergraphs are isomorphic.

Rise and Fall of Research Fields

Proportion of Articles

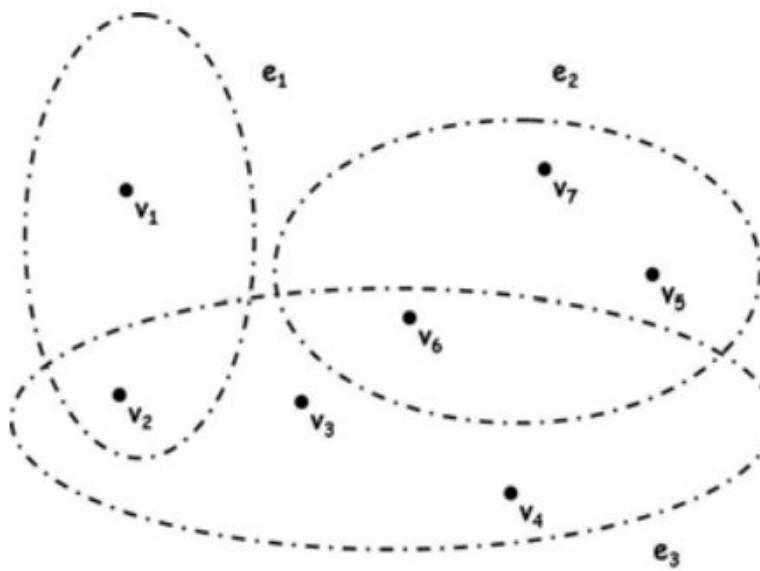
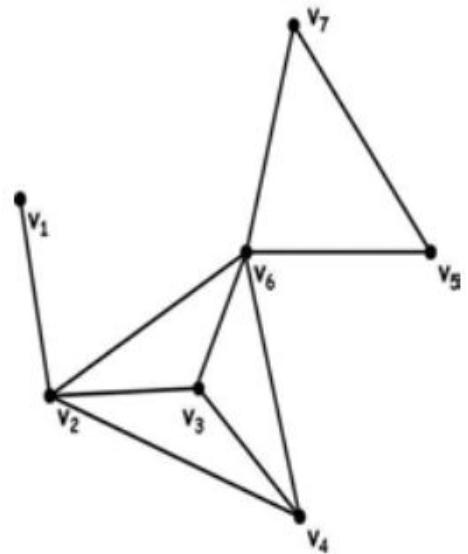


$$G = \frac{1}{\beta} e^{\frac{-(x-\alpha)}{\beta}} e^{-e^{\frac{-(x-\alpha)}{\beta}}}$$

$$t' = \frac{t-\alpha}{\beta}$$

Field stages are defined at 2.5%, 16%, 50% and 84% of the fit curve (blue). These numbers are borrowed from the **diffusion of innovation** literature

	e_1	e_2	e_3
v_1	1	0	0
v_2	1	0	1
v_3	0	0	1
v_4	0	0	1
v_5	0	1	0
v_6	0	1	1
v_7	0	1	0
v_2	1	0	1



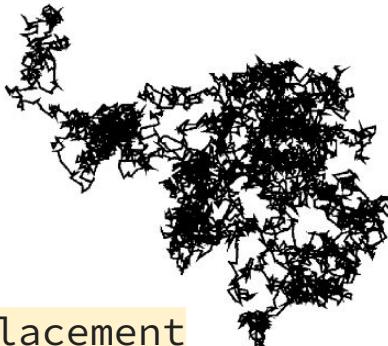


Methods to study trajectories

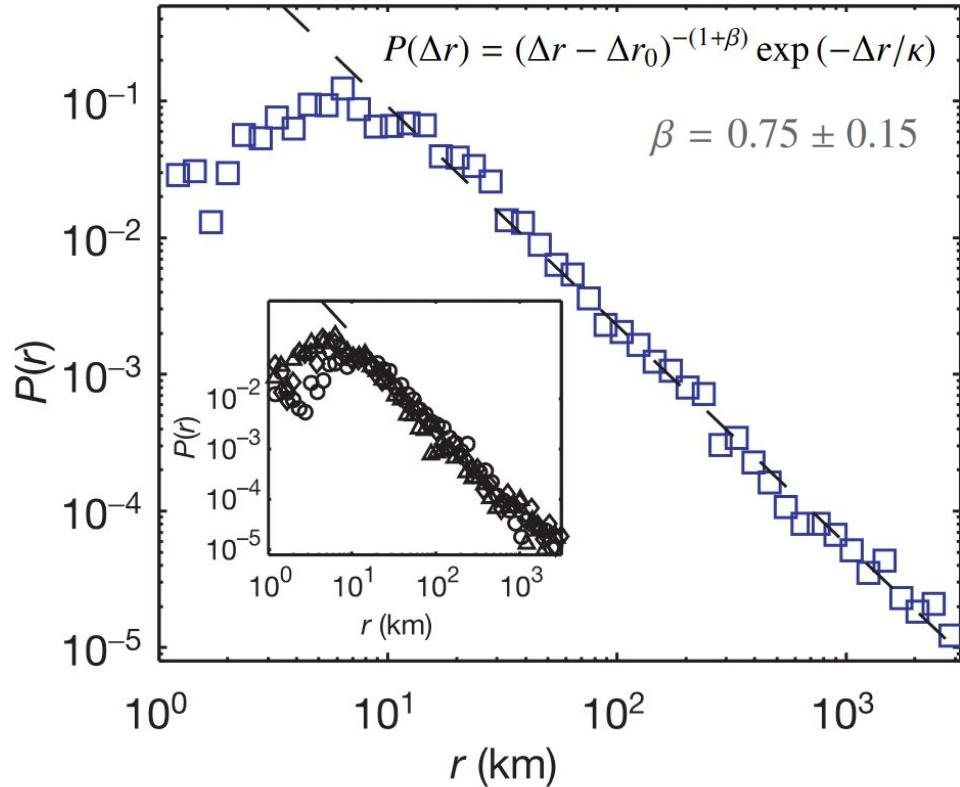
Mean squared displacement

$$\text{MSD}(t) = \langle (\mathbf{r}(t) - \mathbf{r}_0)^2 \rangle \equiv \langle \Delta \mathbf{r}(t)^2 \rangle$$

$$\langle \Delta \mathbf{r}(t)^2 \rangle \sim t^\nu$$



Jump distance distribution



Klafter, Sokolov ‘First steps in random walks’ (2010), Barbosa et al. ‘Human mobility: Models and applications’ (2017), github.com/liyubov/Trajectory_analysis

