

Inference for Multiple Heterogeneous Networks with a Common Invariant Subspace

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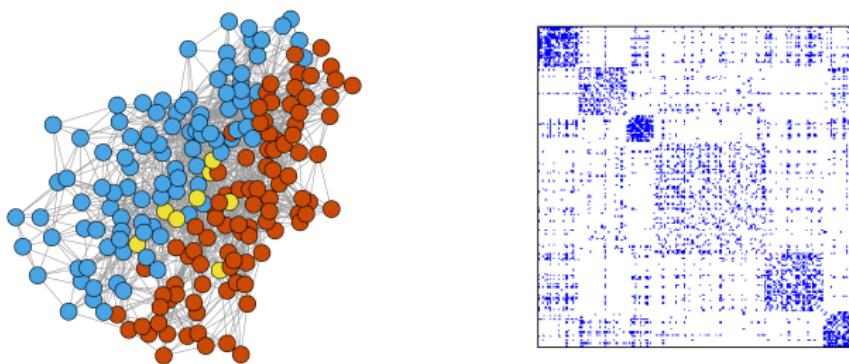


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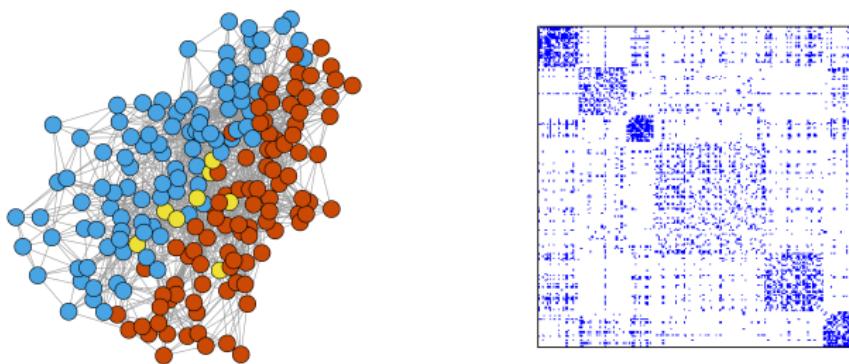
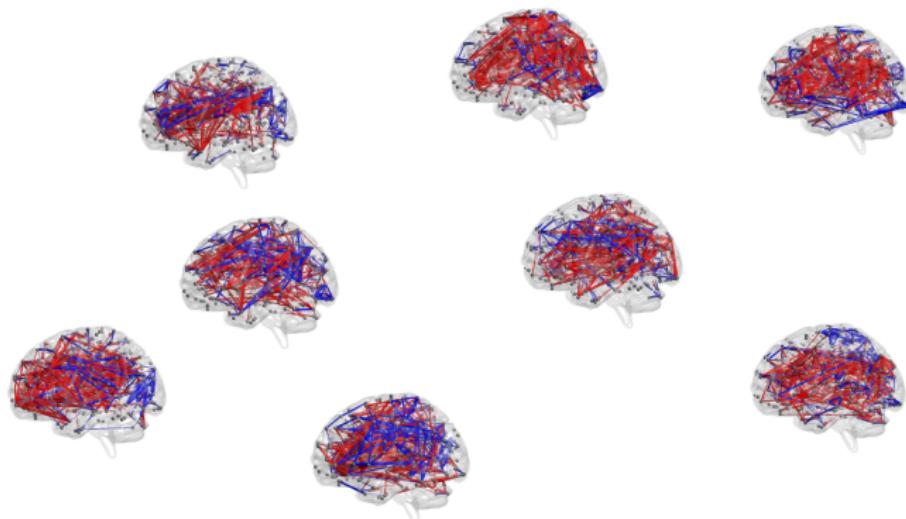


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 - ▶ Time-varying networks
 - ▶ Multiple samples of networks (e.g. brain networks)



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In this talk:

- A model for multiple heterogeneous networks
- A joint spectral embedding method with statistical guarantees
- Applications to subsequent inference tasks

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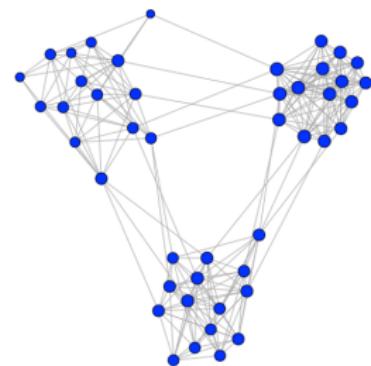
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Stochastic block model (SBM) (Holland et al., 1983)

- Vertices are divided into K **communities**
- Edge probabilities only depends on the vertex community assignments

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- Vertex memberships: $\mathbf{Z} \in \{0, 1\}^{n \times K}$
 - ▶ $Z_{uj} = 1$ if node u is in community j .
- Edge probabilities: $\mathbf{B} \in [0, 1]^{K \times K}$
 - ▶ B_{jh} probability of an edge between communities j and h

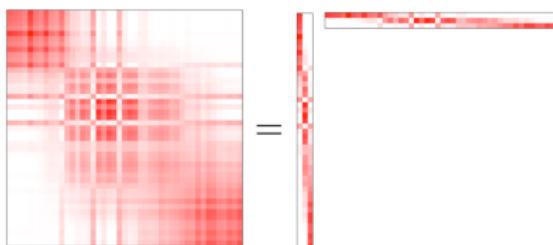
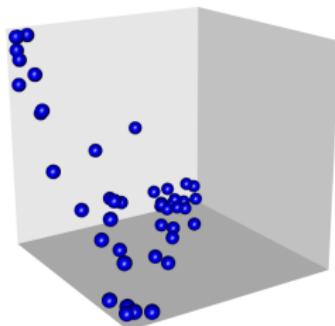
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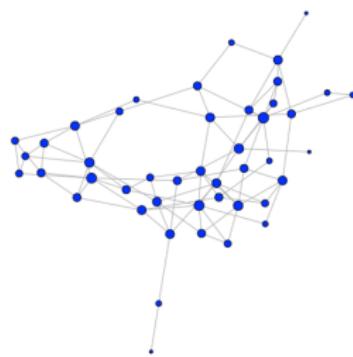
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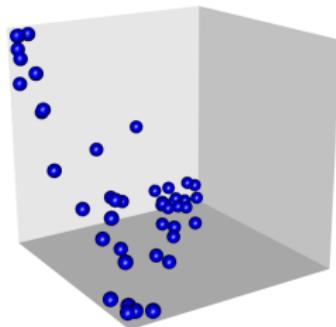
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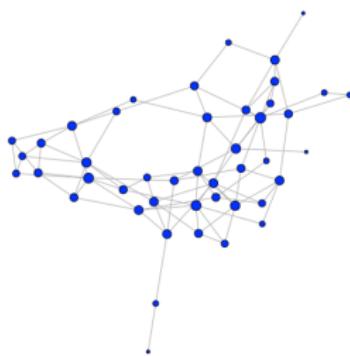


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A diagram illustrating the construction of the adjacency matrix \mathbf{P} . On the left is a heatmap of a square matrix \mathbf{P} , which shows a clear block-diagonal structure with red and white regions. To the right of an equals sign is a vertical vector \mathbf{X} followed by a horizontal vector \mathbf{X}^\top , representing the outer product \mathbf{XX}^\top .

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- RDPG and its generalizations are a flexible model
 - ▶ SBM \subset Generalized RDPG .
 - ▶ Degree corrected SBM, overlapping or hierarchical communities, etc.

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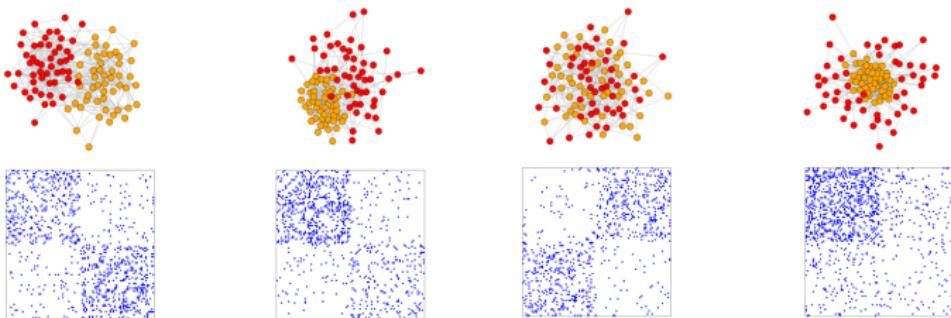
- The columns of \mathbf{V} are a basis of the common invariant subspace for $\mathbf{P}^{(1)}, \dots, \mathbf{P}^{(m)}$.
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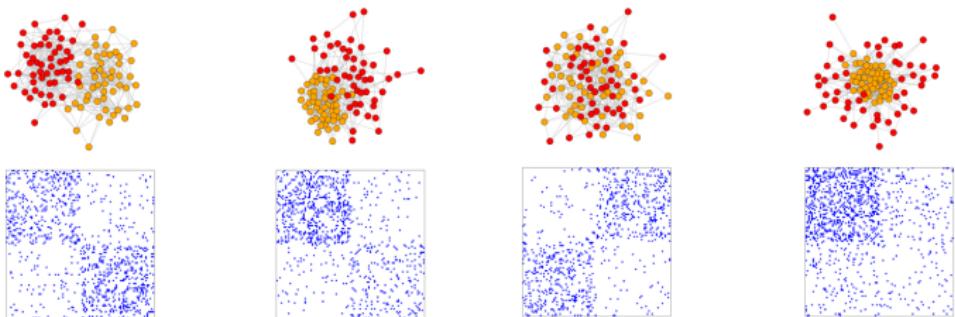
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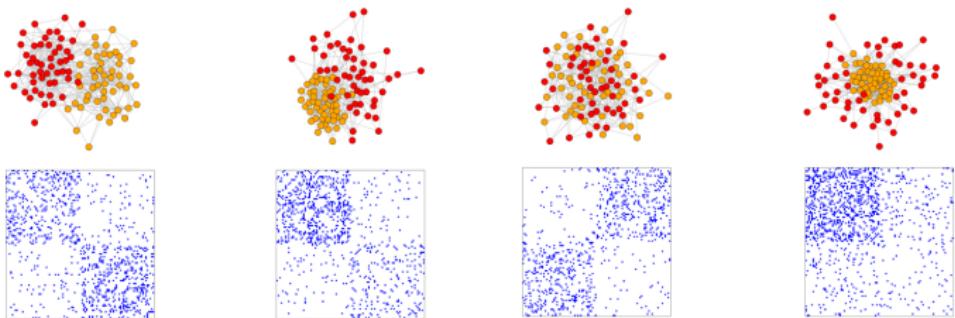
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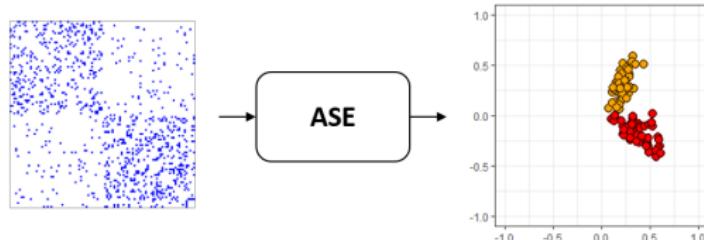
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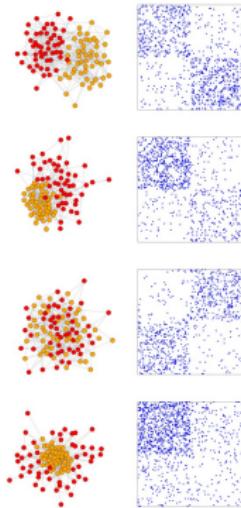
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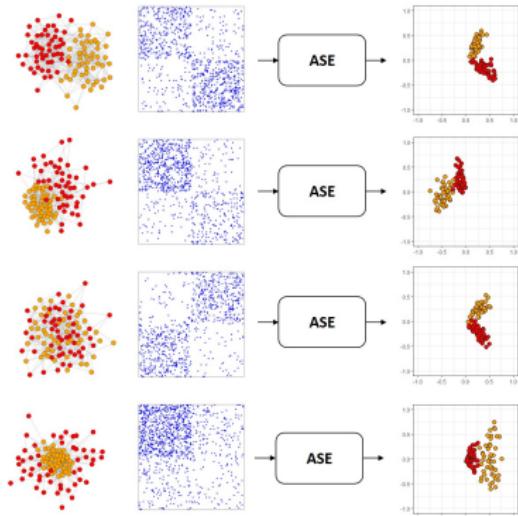
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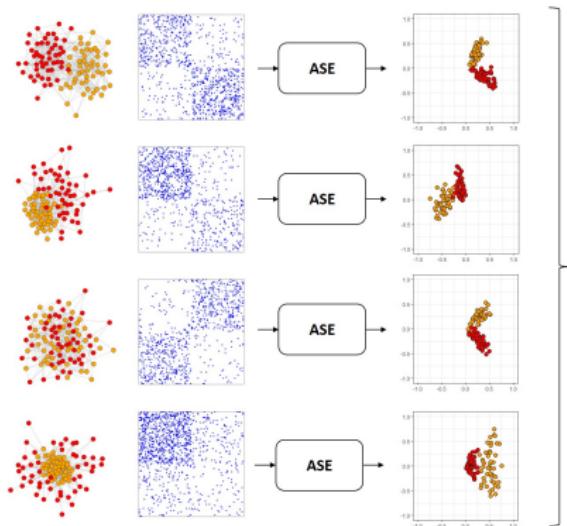


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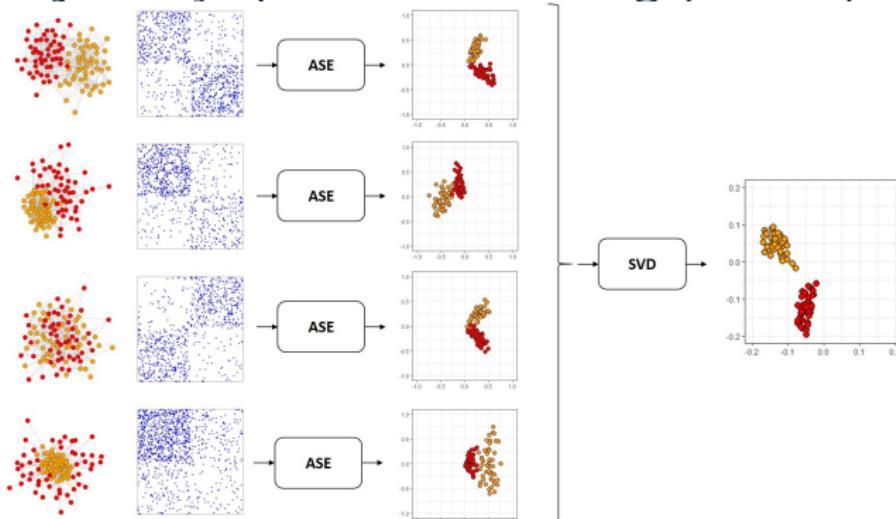
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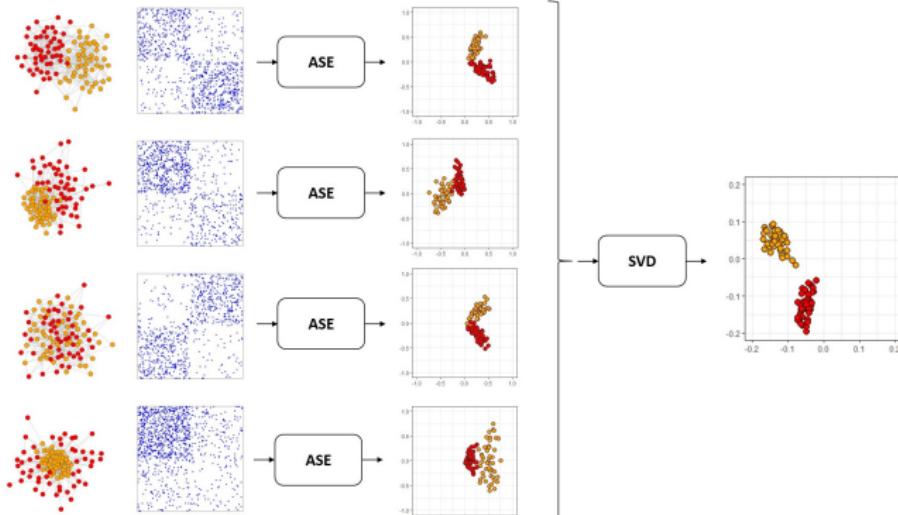
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Similar estimation error rate to MASE, but requires stronger assumptions.

- Optimization approaches (such as maximum likelihood) require to solve a non-convex problem, which is only guaranteed to converge to a local minimum
- MASE is related to other matrix factorization methods: population SVD (Crainiceanu et al., 2011), distributed PCA (Fan et al., 2019).

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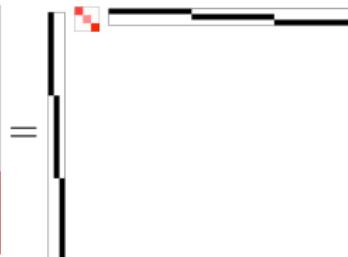
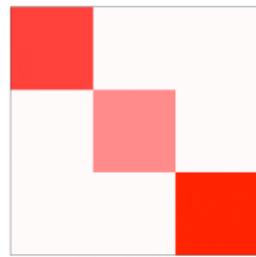
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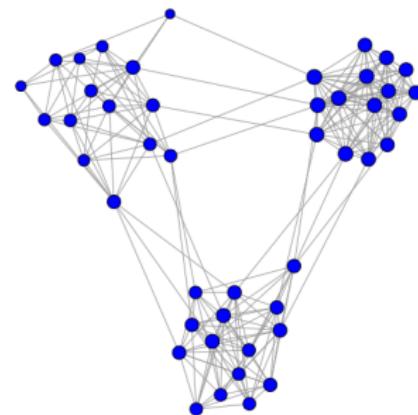
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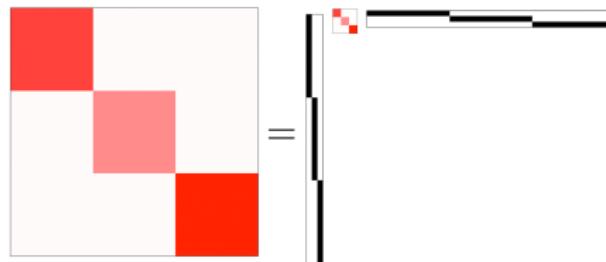
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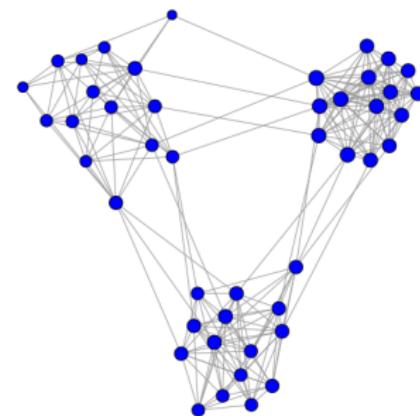
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Community detection algorithm:

- ① Compute $\hat{\mathbf{V}}$ using MASE
- ② Cluster the rows of $\hat{\mathbf{V}}$ using K -means

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Theorem

Suppose that there exist some absolute constants $\kappa \in (0, 1]$, $\gamma > 0$ such that

$$\underbrace{\frac{\sqrt{K} \left(\sum_{j=1}^K n_j^2 \right)^{1/2}}{n_{\min}^{2-\kappa}}}_{\text{community sizes}} \underbrace{\left(\frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m \frac{\lambda_1(\mathbf{B}^{(i)})}{\lambda_{\min}^2(\mathbf{B}^{(i)})} \right)}_{\text{block connectivity}} \leq \gamma.$$

and that $n_{\min} = \omega(1)$, $\delta(\mathbf{P}^{(i)}) = \omega(\log n)$. Then

$$\mathbb{E} \left[\|\widehat{\mathbf{Z}} - \mathbf{Z}\|_F \right] \lesssim \sqrt{\frac{\gamma K n_{\max}}{mn_{\min}^\kappa}} + \frac{\gamma \sqrt{Kn_{\max}}}{n_{\min}^\kappa}.$$

When all the communities have a proportional number of nodes ($n_{\min} \asymp n_{\max}$),

$$\# \text{ misclustered nodes} = O_P \left(\frac{\gamma K}{m} + \frac{\gamma^2 K}{n} \right).$$

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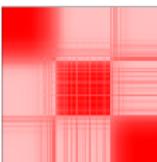
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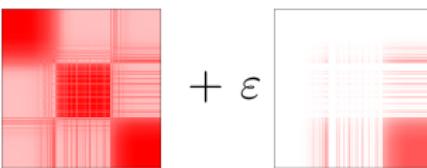
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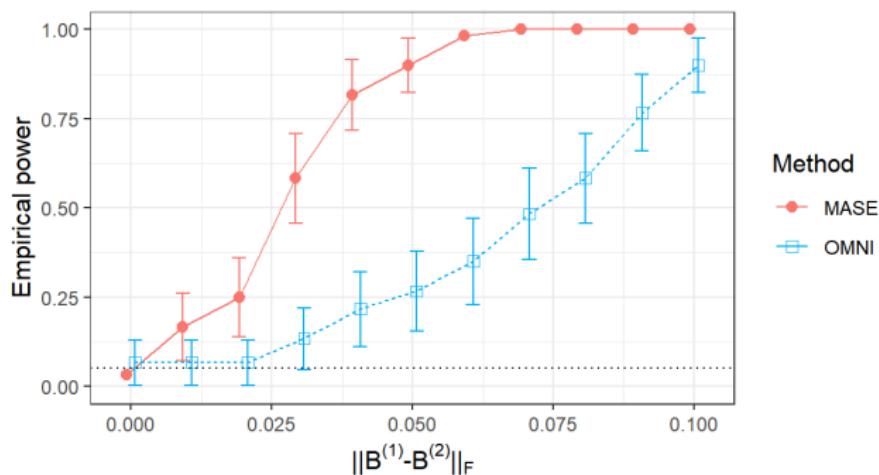
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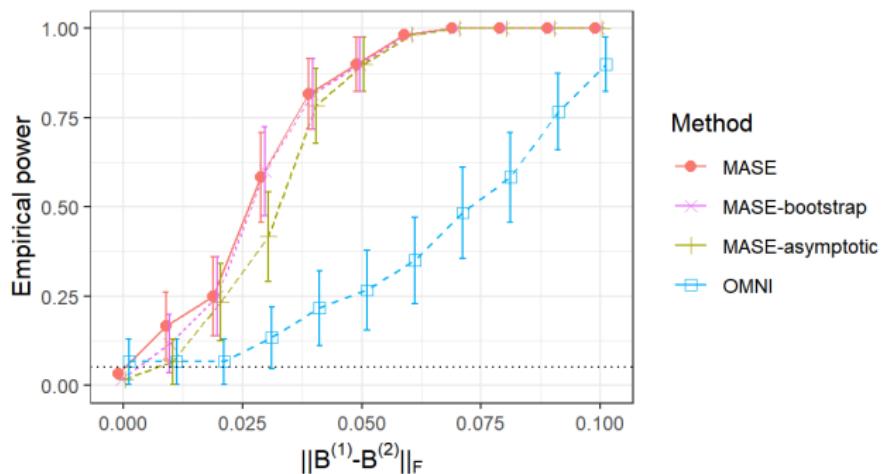
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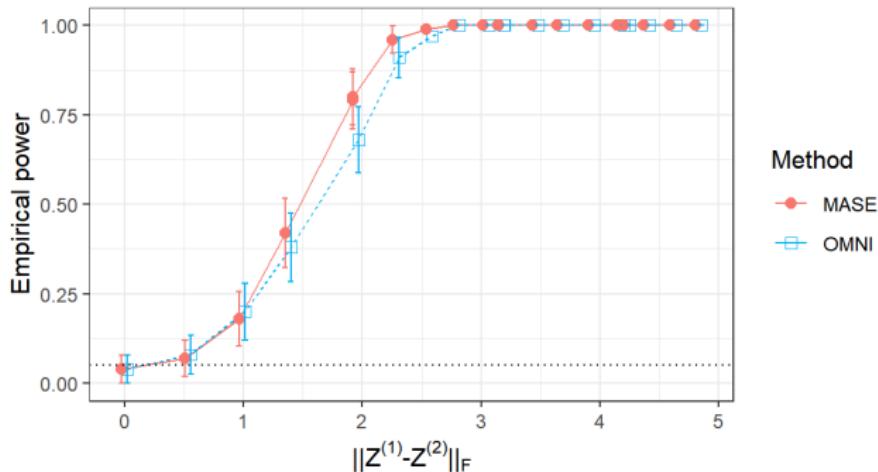
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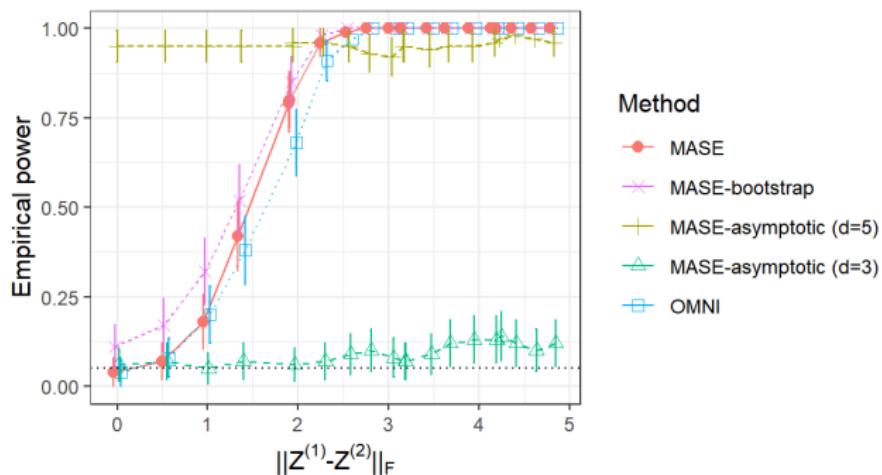
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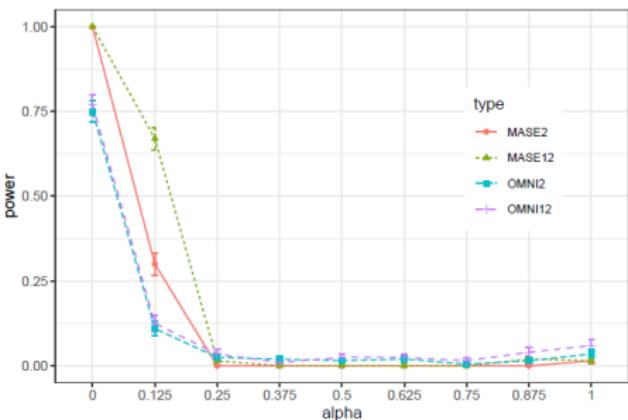
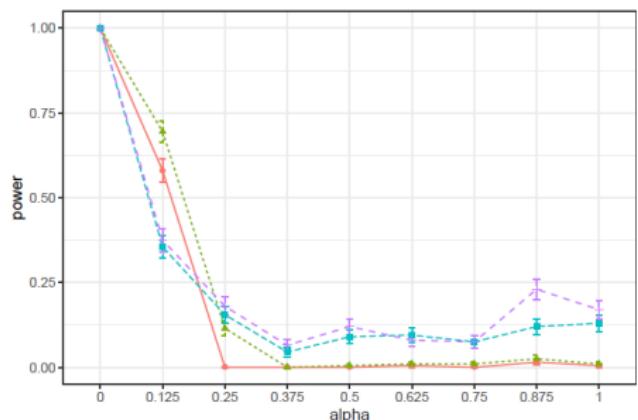
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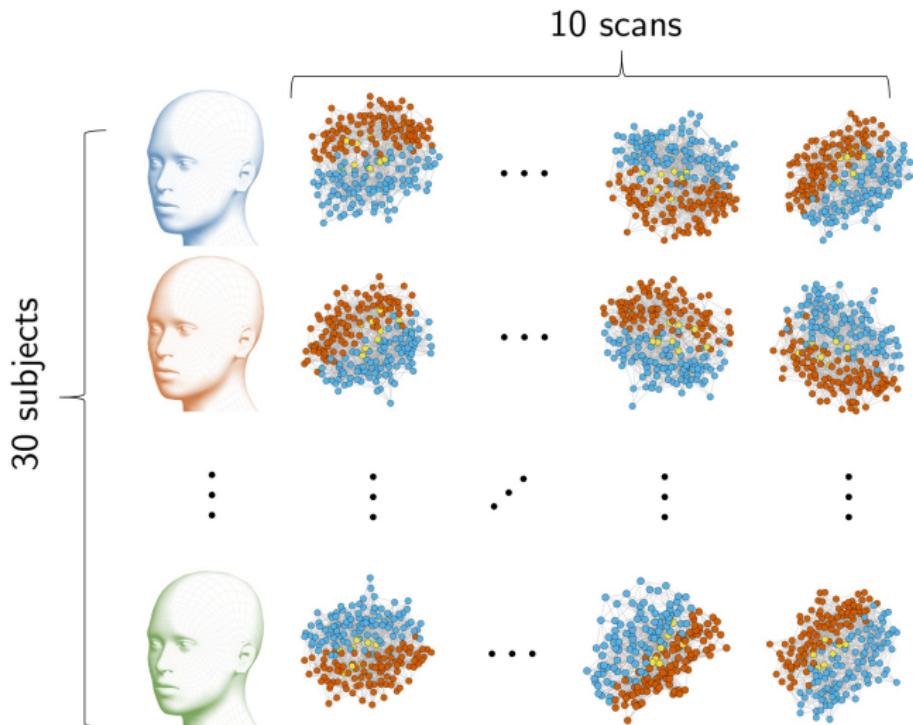
- Using hypothesis testing to detect anomalies in time series of graphs (Chen et al., 2020) <https://arxiv.org/abs/2008.10055>
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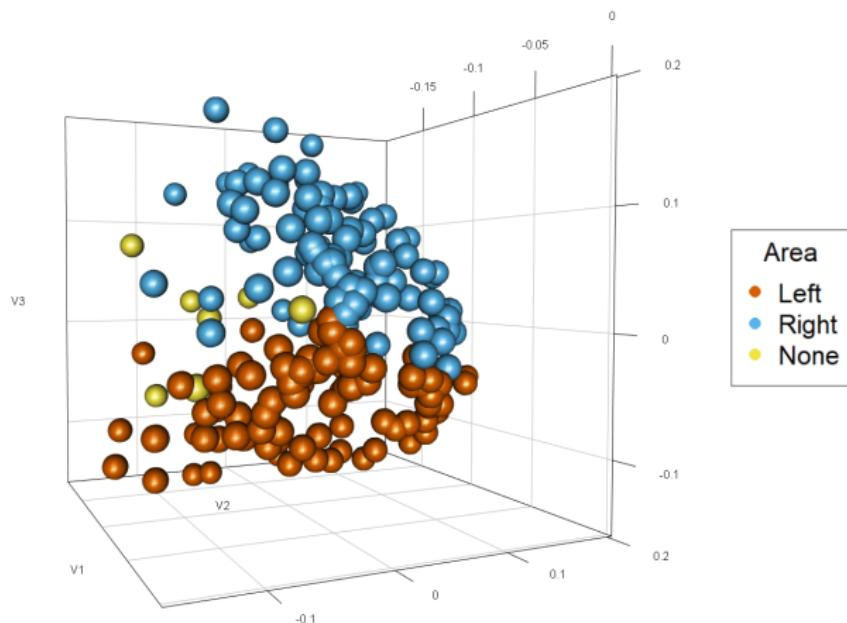
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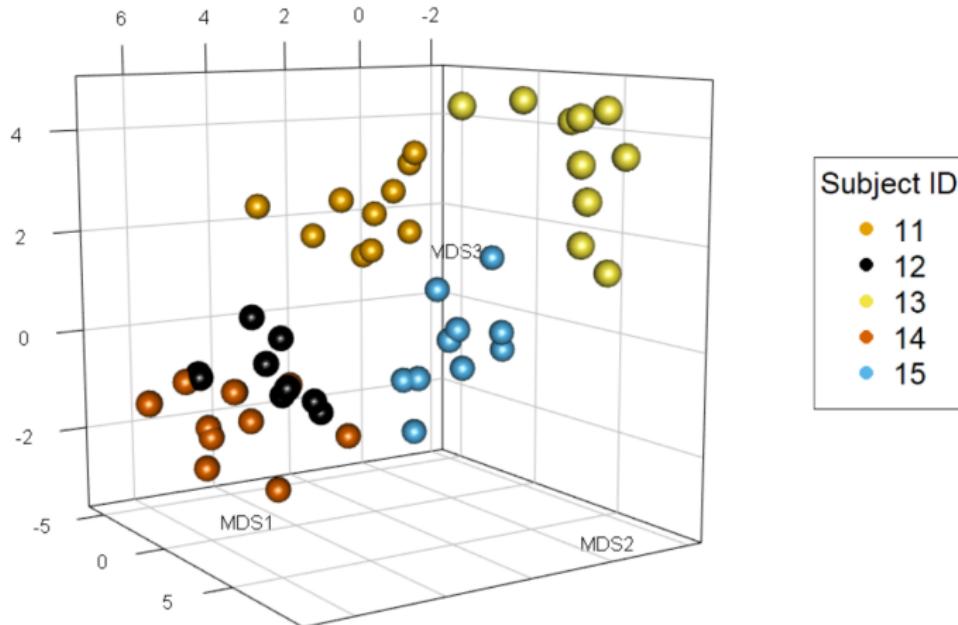


Structural brain graphs from diffusion MRI ($m = 300$, 30 subjects \times 10 scans) encoding the existence of nerve tracts between $n = 200$ brain regions

COSIE model of brain networks

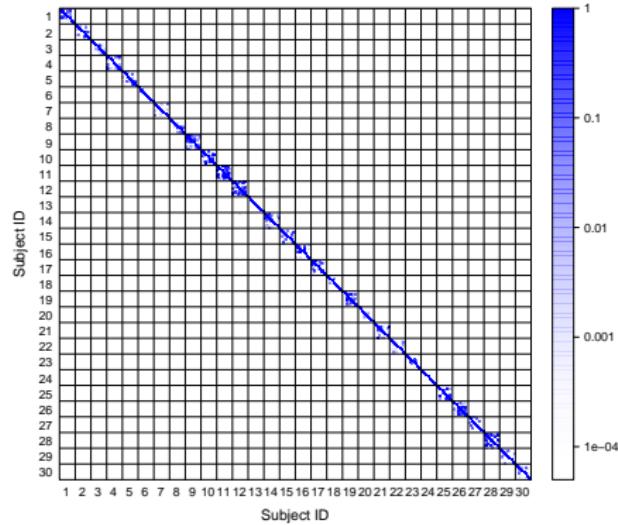
- Fit COSIE model with MASE using $d = 15$
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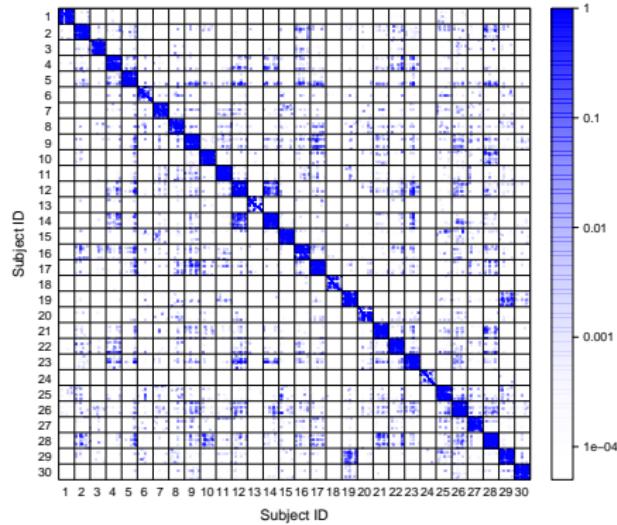


Estimated score matrices $\{\widehat{\mathbf{R}}^{(i)}\}$, embedded into \mathbb{R}^3 using MDS

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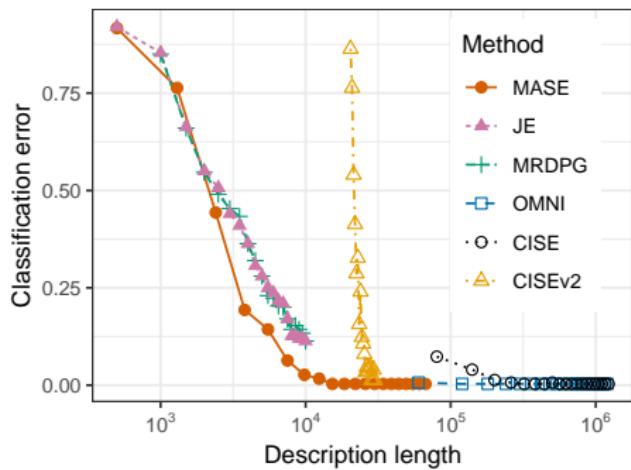
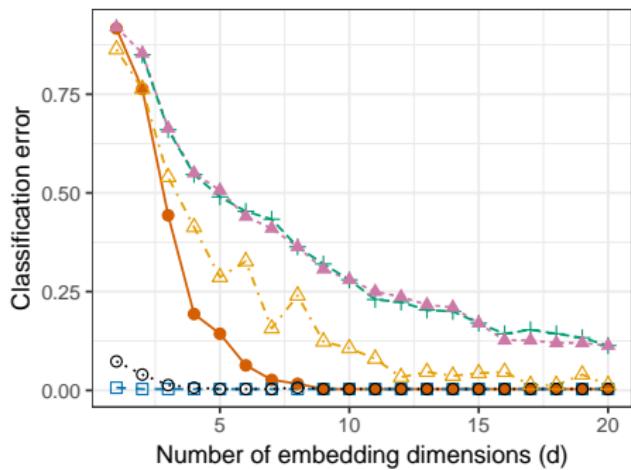


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