# **Supplementary Materials:**

# Ordinal partition transition network based complexity measures for inferring coupling direction and delay from time series

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#### SM-I. SAMPLE SIZE EFFECTS ON $\sigma_{X\to Y}$

### 1. Stochastic models (Fig. S1)

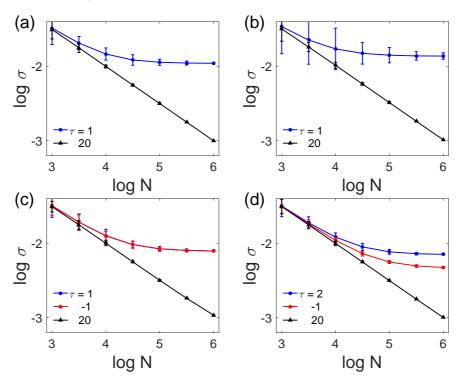


FIG. S1: (Color online) Double logarithmic plot of the dependence of  $\sigma_{X\to Y}$  on the sample size N for the optimal (causal) lags (blue/red) and some non-causal lag (black) for the four cases of coupled linear-stochastic systems: (a) Eq. 1 (unidirectional), (b) Eq. 9 (unidirectional), (c) Eq. 10 (symmetric bidirectional), (d) Eq. 11 (asymmetric bidirectional). In (c,d), the values for both causal delays are shown. Errorbars correspond to the standard deviation (linear scale) over 20 independent realizations.

# 2. Coupled Henon maps (Fig. S2)

# SM-II. SAMPLE SIZE EFFECTS ON CO-OCCURRENCE ENTROPY $H_{X\to Y}$

It is expected that the co-occurrence entropy  $H_{X\to Y}\approx 6.9$  when D=6 for two series of ordinal patterns that are obtained from two independent identically distributed noise processes. Considering this

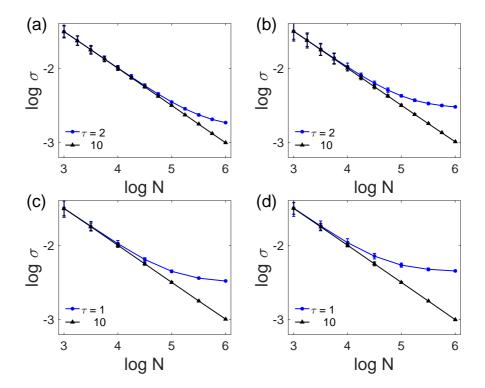


FIG. S2: (Color online) Same as in Fig. S1 but for the two coupled Hénon maps at four different coupling strengths  $\mu$ : (a)  $\mu = 0.2$  (b) 0.3, (c) 0.4, and (d) 0.5. The blue lines show the behavior at the delay corresponding to maximum  $\sigma_{X \to Y}$ , while the black ones show the values for a non-causal delay of  $\tau = 10$ .

fact, we calculate the distance between  $H_{X\to Y}$  and the expected value of 6.9 (D=6 is used), which yields similar asymptotical results as that of  $\sigma_{X\to Y}$  and KLD. Namely, at positions of non-causal delays, zero values are expected asymptotically, while non-zero values appear at the positions of causal delays.

- 1. Stochastic models (Fig. S3)
- 2. Coupled Henon maps (Fig. S4)

### SM-III. SAMPLE SIZE EFFECTS ON TEMPERATURE RECORDS

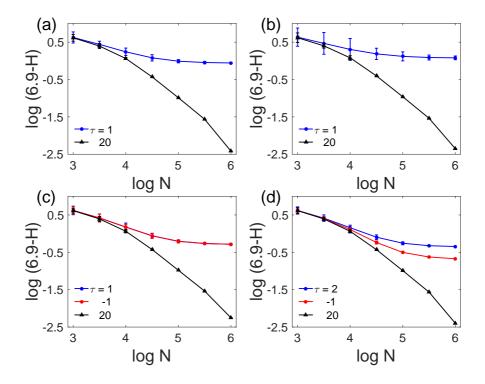


FIG. S3: (Color online) The caption is the same as Fig. S1, but for the co-occurrence entropy  $H_{X\to Y}(\tau)$ .

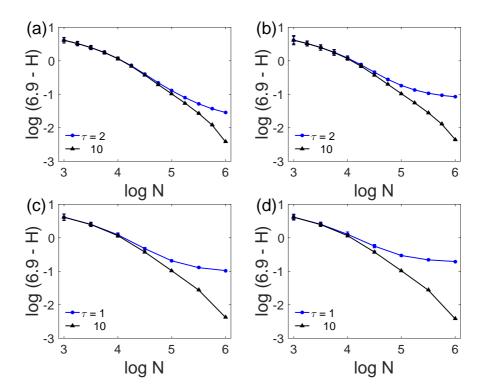


FIG. S4: (Color online) The caption is the same as Fig. S2, but for the co-occurrence entropy  $H_{X\to Y}(\tau)$ .

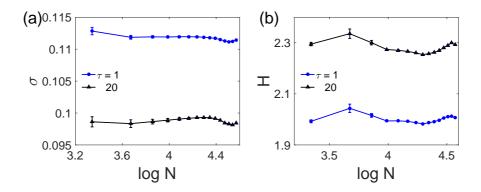


FIG. S5: (Color online) (a) Dependence of  $\sigma$  and, respectively, (b) H on the sample length N at the optimal delay ( $\tau=1$  day, blue) and some arbitrarily chosen large delay ( $\tau=20$  days, black).