# Graph Matching, Graph Inference and Applications 

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## Graphs in brain imaging



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Convex relaxation

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## Group Sparsity


(a) $\ell_{2}$-norm ball

(b) $\ell_{1}$-norm ball

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## Graph Matching meets sparsity

Roubust multimodal graph matching formulation


$$
\tilde{P}=\arg \min _{P \in \mathcal{D}} \sum_{i, j}\left\|\left((A P)_{i j},(P B)_{i j}\right)\right\|_{2}
$$

## Multimodal results


(a) Erdős-Rényi graphs

(c) Erdős-Rényi graphs

(b) Scale-free graphs

(d) Scale-free graphs

Figure: Graphs with $p=100$ nodes. $\operatorname{In}(\mathrm{a})$ and (b), weights $\mathcal{N}(1,0.4)$ and $\mathcal{N}(4,1)$. In (c) and (d), weights $\mathcal{N}(1,0.4)$ and uniform in $[1,2]$.

## Application: C. elegans connectome

- Somatic nervous system consists of 279 neurons
- The two types of connections (chemical and electrical) between these 279 neurons have been mapped
- Corresponding adjacency matrices, $A_{c}$ and $A_{e}$, are publicly available.


## Application: C. elegans connectome

We match both the chemical and the electrical connection graphs against noisy artificially permuted versions of them.

(a) Electrical connection graph

(b) Chemical connection graph

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## Graphical Lasso

Maximum likelihood estimator for $\Sigma^{-1}$ with an $l_{1}$ regularization:

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\min _{\Theta \succ 0} \operatorname{tr}(S \Theta)-\log \operatorname{det} \Theta+\lambda \sum_{i, j}\left|\Theta_{i j}\right|
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$S$ : empirical covariance matrix

## Collaborative Graphical Lasso

Goal: infer several graphs with the same structure

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## Application to fMRI data

- rs-fMRI data from A. Hariri
- data matrix $X_{i} \in \mathcal{M}_{n \times p}$
- $i=1 \ldots 155$ subjects
- $n$ time points
- $p$ regions or voxels


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|  | Performance |
| :---: | :---: |
| NN | $60 \%$ |
| CGL | $80 \%$ |

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Figure: Blue: error using one complete 10 min study: $\left\|\Theta_{G T}^{A}-\Theta_{s}^{A}\right\|_{F}$. Red: error $\left\|\Theta_{G T}^{A}-\Theta_{H}^{A}\right\|_{F}$ with collaborative inference using $<6 \mathrm{~min}$ of each study, but solving for the node permutations at the same time.

## Thank you!

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