Graph Limit for Interacting Particle Systems on Weighted Random Graphs

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Trivially, System (1) preserves indistinguishability.

Need for of non-exchangeable particle systems



- Animal groups: leader-follower dynamics, animal personality
- Robotics: network communication
- Cell colonies: heterogeneous phenotypes

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How do we define the limit of (ℓ -nearest) as $N \to \infty$?

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Keep in mind: u(t, x) is the **position** (or opinion) of agent with label x

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Theorem [Medvedev, '13]: Graph Limit

If $W \in L^{\infty}(I)$, it holds

$$\|u-u_N\|_{C([0,T];L^2(I))} \xrightarrow[N \to +\infty]{} 0$$

where u is the solution to the integro-differential equation

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What of Random Graphs?

Random graphs are needeed:

- when not all edges of a network are known
- when the number of vertices is large
 - Up to 700,000 starlings in a murmuration
 - About 55-70 billion neurons in the human cerebellum



Figure: Left: Starling Murmuration (Bird Watch Ireland). Right: Pyramidal neurons of the cerebral cortex (illustration by Santiago Ramón y Cajal).

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- **Example 1: Erdos-Rényi graph**: the edge between a pair of distinct nodes is inserted with probability *p*.



Figure: Pixel pictures of the Erdos-Rényi graph with N = 40 and p = 0.5 (left), N = 600 and p = 0.5 (right) [Medvedev, 2014]

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- Example 2 : Small world graph: replacing a random set of the local connections by randomly chosen long-range ones.



Figure: Pixel pictures of the Small world graph, p starts at 0 and increases from left to right [Medvedev, 2014]
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Suppose $W \in W_0$, a class of symmetric measurable function on I^2 with values on I. D is a **Lipschitz continuous function** on \mathbb{R} and $g \in L^{\infty}(I)$. Let T > 0 and suppose that the solution of $(C_1) u(x, t)$ satisfies the following inequality

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3 Blinking systems

Definition [Ayi, P.D., 2023]

A **q-weighted random graph** on N nodes generated by the **random** sequence X, denoted G_N , is such that the weight of an edge of G_N is randomly attributed. More precisely, the **law for the weight of the edge** (i, j) is $q(X_i, X_i, .)$ where

$$q: I \times I \rightarrow \mathcal{P}(\mathbb{R}_+)$$

$$(x,y) \mapsto q(x,y;.).$$

The decision of the attribution of the weight of a pair $(i,j) \in \{1, ..., N\}^2$, $i \neq j$, is made **independently** from the decision for other pairs.

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Our framework

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Theorem [Ayi, P.D., 2023]

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Figure: Quantification of the convergence of the microscopic systems $(S_{N,\varepsilon})$ given by $\sup_{t\in[0,T]} \|u^{N,\varepsilon}(t) - \mathbf{P}_{\tilde{X}_N}u(\cdot,t)\|_{2,N}$ for a fixed $\varepsilon = 0.1$, with 20 runs for each value of N, for the weighted random graph law (??) (logarithmic scale).



Thank you for your attention !