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Background

- Sets of oscillators tend to synchronize when coupled in some manner.
- Oscilators modeled by initial frequency ω_i and current phase $\theta_i(t)$.

Kuramoto Model:

- All N oscillators coupled to all others with strength K.
- Change of phase θ_i depends on difference in current phase of all other oscillators:

$$\frac{d\theta_i}{dt} = \omega_i + \frac{K}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N \sin(\theta_i - \theta_j)$$

Synchrony often measured using order parameter r:

$$r(t) = \left| \frac{1}{N} \sum_{j=1}^{N} e^{i\theta_i(t)} \right|$$



Kuramoto Model on Graphs

- Arbitrary couplings defined through graph G = (V, E).
- *V* is the set of oscillators.
- *E* is the set of couplings between oscillators.
- Change of phase θ_i depends on phase of neighbors:

$$\frac{d\theta_i}{dt} = \omega_i + \sum_{i=1}^N Ka_{ij} \sin(\theta_i - \theta_j)$$

$$(\theta_1, \omega_1) \qquad (\theta_2, \omega_2) \qquad (\theta_3, \omega_3) \qquad (\theta_4, \omega_4) \qquad (\theta_5, \omega_5)$$

Implementation

Order parameter r only for connected graphs

• We only consider networks with adjacency matrix A such that:

$$A(p) = [a_{i,j}] \text{ s.t. } p = \frac{1}{N^2} \sum_{i,j=1}^{N} a_{i,j}$$





Level of graph connectivity varied by p. **Initial conditions for solving IVP:**

- Normally distributed frequencies $\{\omega_i\} \stackrel{\text{i.i.d}}{\sim} \mathcal{N}(0, 0.1)$
- Uniformly distributed initial phase $\{\theta_i(0)\} \stackrel{\text{i.i.d}}{\sim} \text{Unif}(0, 2\pi)$
- **Runge Kutta 4th order ODE solver,** dt = 0.1

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Results: Static *K* and *p*

Order parameter at 1000 steps recorded for each (K, p). 500 Oscillators, Results averaged over 10 trials





- boundary values $||K_i|| = \frac{T}{2}$, $K_i(0) = K_i(T) = 0$, $K_i(\frac{T}{2}) = 1$.



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Conclusions

- For static coupling *K* and connectivity *p*:
- Sigmoidal relationship between synchronization ability and network connectivity *p* for each coupling *K*.
- For time varying coupling K(t) and static connectivity p:
- Hysteresis increases or decreases with p depending on the choice of coupling function K(t).
- Connectivity is not a hysteresis operator on r depending on K and initial state: heavily rate dependent.

Future work

- Why does hysteresis occur?
- What determines the size of this hysteresis effect?
- Why does hysteresis grow/shrink with connectivity?
- What property of K(t) determines the direction?
- Verify results for other constructions of connected graphs.

Results: Time Varying K(t), Static p

Highlighted: highest (red) in row. Values normalized by number of steps T.