

Dynamically modeling collaborative learning processes

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Overview

Theory of learning

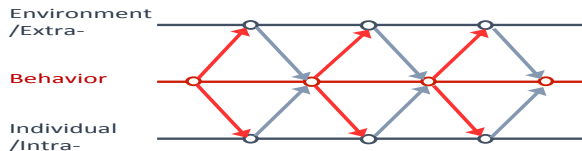
Modeling Framework

Estimation

Example scripts

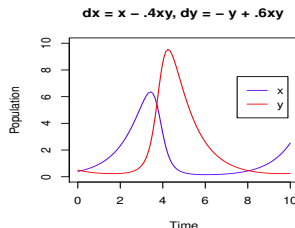
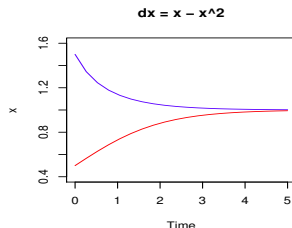
Take-home Message

Integrated Model of Development (Gariépy 1996)



- ▶ Adaptation: goal-directed functional alignment btw extra- and intra- organismic conditions.
- ▶ Optimization: any self-organizing system that is at equilibrium with its environment must minimize its free energy (free-energy principle; Friston 2010)
- ▶ Behavior as the leading edge of adaptation.
- ▶ Changes in adapted states.

Mathematical Representation



- ▶ Adapted state (e.g., skill level): equilibrium
- ▶ Behavior: interaction/multiplication (e.g., with a problem, a student/teacher)

Judy and Nick



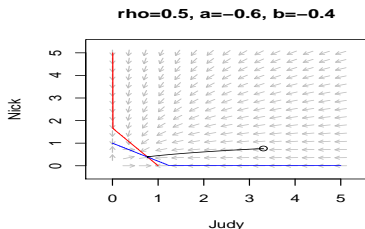
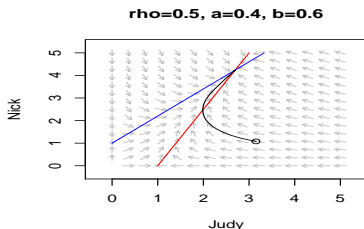
Collaboration and Competition

$$\begin{bmatrix} \frac{d Judy(t)}{dt} \\ \frac{d Nick(t)}{dt} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} Judy(t) - Judy(t)^2 + a Judy(t) Nick(t) \\ \rho (Nick(t) - Nick(t)^2) + b Judy(t) Nick(t) \end{bmatrix}$$

$\rho > 0$: Frequency paramters

$a = b = 0$: No interaction; Self-regulation

$a, b > 0$: Collaboration; $a, b < 0$: Competition



Extensions to multi-dimensional models

- ▶ N-subject Lotka-Volterra equations ($i, j = 1, 2, \dots, N$)

$$\frac{dx_i}{dt} = F_i(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_N) \triangleq \rho_i x_i \left(1 - \frac{x_i + \sum_{i \neq j} a_{ij} x_j}{K_i}\right),$$

- ▶ ρ_i : growth parameters that determine the steepness of the logistic growth functions
- ▶ K_i : the carrying capacity parameters that represent the limited resources
- ▶ a_{ij} are relation parameters that specify the interaction effects between each pair of x_i
- ▶ The system is *competitive* if $\frac{\partial F_i}{\partial x_j} \leq 0$ for $i \neq j$; and is *cooperative* if $\frac{\partial F_i}{\partial x_j} \geq 0$ for $i \neq j$.
- ▶ 3-person groups are necessary and sufficient to perform better than the best individuals on highly intellectual problems (Laughlin et al. 2006).

Markov-switching Dynamic models

Dynamic Systems approach

► **Definition**

- systems of elements that change over time (Thelen and Smith 1994)
- a class of mathematical equations that describe time-based systems with particular properties

► **Discrete-time Model**

- time: integers $1, 2, 3, \dots$
- change as *differences*

► **Continuous-time Models**

- time: real numbers
- change as *rate of change*
- limit of discrete-time models

Modeling Framework

► Dynamic Model

► Discrete-time State-Space models

$$\mathbf{x}_i(t_{i,j}) = F_{\theta_{f,i}}(\mathbf{x}_i(t_{i,j-1})) + \zeta_i(t_{i,j}), \zeta_i(t_{i,j}) \sim N(\mathbf{0}, \Sigma_\zeta)$$

► Continuous-time Ordinary and Stochastic Differential Equation (ODE & SDE)

$$d\mathbf{x}_i(t) = F_{\theta_{f,i}}(\mathbf{x}_i(t), t)dt + G_{\theta_{f,i}}(t)d\mathbf{w}(t)$$

► Measurement Model

$$\mathbf{y}_i(t_{i,j}) = \boldsymbol{\mu} + \boldsymbol{\Lambda}\mathbf{x}_i(t_{i,j}) + \boldsymbol{\epsilon}_i(t_{i,j}), \boldsymbol{\epsilon}_i(t_{i,j}) \sim N(\mathbf{0}, \Sigma_y)$$

► Initial condition $\mathbf{x}_1(t_{1,j}) \sim N(\mathbf{x}_0, \mathbf{P}_0)$

What are regime-switching dynamic models?

- ▶ A regime-switching longitudinal model consists of several latent (unobserved) classes—or “regimes.” Within each class, a submodel is used to described the distinct change patterns associated with the class.
- ▶ Each “regime” can be thought of as one of the stages or phases of a dynamic process.
- ▶ Individuals can switch between classes or regimes over time.
- ▶ The changes that unfold within a regime are continuous in nature.

Initial regime probabilities

Transition probabilities

Multinomial logistic regression models are used to represent the initial regime probabilities and describe each individual i 's transition in class membership from time $t-1$ to time t as

$$\Pr(S_{i1} = k | \mathbf{x}_{i1}, \boldsymbol{\theta}) \triangleq \pi_{k,i1} = \frac{\exp(a_{k1} + \mathbf{b}'_{k1} \mathbf{x}_{i1})}{\sum_{s1=1}^K \exp(a_{s1} + \mathbf{b}'_{s1} \mathbf{x}_{i1})},$$

$$\Pr(S_{it} = k | S_{i,t-1} = j, \mathbf{x}_{it}, \boldsymbol{\theta}) \triangleq \pi_{jk,it} = \frac{\exp(a_{kt} + \mathbf{b}'_{kt} \mathbf{x}_{it})}{\sum_{st=1}^K \exp(a_{st} + \mathbf{b}'_{st} \mathbf{x}_{it})}$$

S_{it} = individual i 's class membership at time t

K = the number of regimes

a_{kt} = the logit intercept for the k th regime at time t

\mathbf{x}_{it} = a vector of covariates for person i at time t

\mathbf{b}_{kt} = a vector of logit slopes for the k th regime at time t

Estimation:

The dynr R package

(Ou, Hunter, and Chow 2017)



What can dynr do? Dynr Facts 1-5

- 1 Dynr fits discrete- and continuous-time dynamic models to multivariate longitudinal/time-series data.
- 2 Dynr handles linear and **nonlinear** dynamic models with an easy-to-use interface.
 - ▶ Dynr allows model specification in matrix and formula forms.
 - ▶ Dynr allows automatic differentiation.
- 3 Dynr deals with dynamic models with **regime-switching** properties.
 - ▶ Caveat: Only linear measurement
- 4 Dynr computes in C and runs fast.
- 5 Dynr provides ready-to-present results through LaTeX equations and plots.

Models, Algorithms, and Software for the Framework in **dynr**

		Discrete-Time	Continuous-Time
Single-Regime	linear	Linear State-Space model <u>KF</u> dynr, OpenMx, pomp, KFAS, dlm, dse, MKFM6, SsfPack, MATLAB	Linear SDE/ODE <u>CDEKF</u> dynr, pomp, OpenMx, ctsem, MATLAB
	nonlinear	Nonlinear State-Space model <u>EKF</u> dynr, pomp, SsfPack, MATLAB	Nonlinear SDE/ODE <u>CDEKF</u> dynr, pomp, MATLAB
Multiple-Regime	linear	RS State-Space model <u>Kim filter</u> dynr, GAUSS code, MATLAB	RS SDE/ODE <u>CD Kim filter</u> dynr only
	nonlinear	RS Nonlinear State-Space model <u>Extended Kim filter</u> dynr only	RS Nonlinear SDE/ODE <u>CD extended Kim filter</u> dynr only

SDE = Stochastic Differential Equation, ODE = Ordinary Differential Equation, CD = Continuous-Discrete, RS = Regime-Switching, KF = Kalman filter (Kalman 1960), EKF = Extended Kalman filter (Anderson and Moore 1979; Bar-Shalom, Li, and Kirubarajan 2001), Kim filter = KF + Hamilton filter + Collapse procedure (Kim and Nelson 1999). Extended Kim filter was proposed by (Chow and Zhang 2013); the CD extended Kim filter is proposed by (Chow, Ou, et al. 2018).

Extended Kalman Filter

1. Time update (Prediction)
2. Measurement Update (Correction)

$$\mathbf{v}_k = \mathbf{y}_k - \Lambda \hat{\mathbf{x}}_{k|k-1}, \mathbf{R}_{e,k} = \Sigma_\epsilon + \Lambda \hat{\mathbf{P}}_{k|k-1} \Lambda^T$$

$$\mathbf{K}_k = \hat{\mathbf{P}}_{k|k-1} \Lambda^T \mathbf{R}_{e,k}^{-1}$$

$$\hat{\mathbf{x}}_{k|k} = \hat{\mathbf{x}}_{k|k-1} + \mathbf{K}_k \mathbf{v}_k, \hat{\mathbf{P}}_{k|k} = \hat{\mathbf{P}}_{k|k-1} - \mathbf{K}_k \Lambda \hat{\mathbf{P}}_{k|k-1}$$

3. Optimization

$$\log L(\theta) = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{k=1}^T (-p_{i,k} \log(2\pi) - \log |\mathbf{R}_{e,k}| - \mathbf{v}_{i,k}' \mathbf{R}_{e,k}^{-1} \mathbf{v}_{i,k})$$

Extended Kalman Filter

- Prediction (Discrete-time)

$$\hat{\mathbf{x}}_{t|t-1} = F(t, \hat{\mathbf{x}}_{t-1|t-1})$$

$$\mathbf{P}_{t|t-1} = \frac{\partial F(t, \hat{\mathbf{x}}(t))}{\partial \hat{\mathbf{x}}} \mathbf{P}_{t-1|t-1} \frac{\partial F(t, \hat{\mathbf{x}}(t))^\top}{\partial \hat{\mathbf{x}}} + \mathbf{Q}$$

- Prediction (Continuous-time)

$$\frac{d\hat{\mathbf{x}}}{dt} = F(t, \hat{\mathbf{x}}_{t-1|t-1})$$

$$D\mathbf{P}(t) = \frac{\partial F(t, \hat{\mathbf{x}}(t))}{\partial \hat{\mathbf{x}}} \mathbf{P}(t) + \mathbf{P}(t) \left(\frac{\partial F(t, \hat{\mathbf{x}}(t))}{\partial \hat{\mathbf{x}}} \right)^\top + \mathbf{Q}(t)$$

- Solve these differential equations using Runge-Kutta ODE solver.

Example scripts



dynr preparation

- ▶ Gather data with `dynr.data()`
- ▶ Prepare *recipes* with
 - ▶ `prep.measurement()`
 - ▶ `prep.*Dynamics()`
 - ▶ `prep.initial()`
 - ▶ `prep.noise()`
 - ▶ `prep.regimes()` (optional)
- ▶ Mix recipes and data into a model with `dynr.model()`
- ▶ Cook model with `dynr.cook()`
- ▶ Serve results with
 - ▶ `summary()`
 - ▶ `plot()`
 - ▶ `dynr.ggplot()`
 - ▶ `plotFormula()`
 - ▶ `printex()`

Collaboration and Competition

Example script

```
require(dynr)
data <- dynr.data(data.simulate ,
  id="id" , time="time" ,
  observed=c("x" ,"y"), covariates = "cond")
meas <- prep.measurement(
  values.load=diag(1 , 2),
  obs.names = c( 'x ' , 'y ' ),
  state.names=c( 'Judy ' , 'Nick ' ))
```

Collaboration and Competition

Example script

```
formula=list (  
  list (Judy~ Judy-Judy^2-a*Judy*Nick ,  
        Nick~ rho*(Nick-Nick^2)-b*Judy*Nick) ,  
  list (Judy~ Judy-Judy^2+c*Judy*Nick ,  
        Nick~ rho*(Nick-Nick^2)+d*Judy*Nick))  
dynm<-prep.formulaDynamics(  
  formula=formula ,  
  startval=c(rho = 0.5 ,  
             a=0.5, b=0.5, c=0.5, d=0.5) ,  
  isContinuousTime=TRUE)
```

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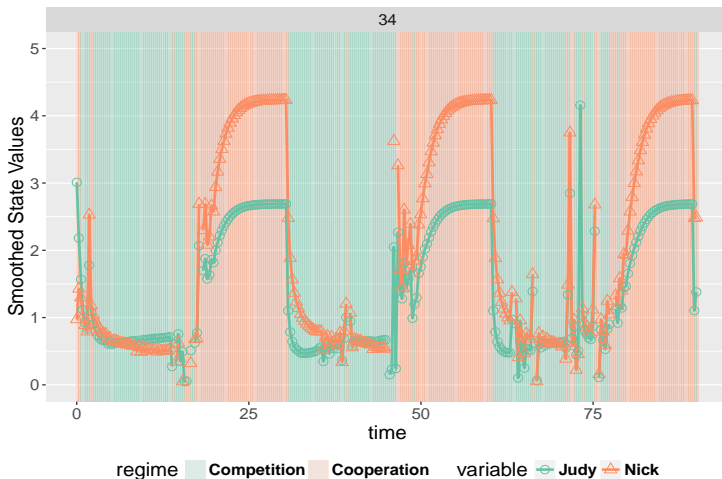
```
model <- dynr.model(  
  dynamics=dynm, measurement=meas,  
  noise=mdcov, initial=initial,  
  regimes=regimes, transform=trans,  
  data=data,  
  outfile="CompeteCollaborate.c")
```

Collaboration and Competition

Example script

```
# Estimate free parameters  
res <- dynr.cook(model)  
# Examine results  
summary(res)  
plotFormula(model,  
  ParameterAs=res@transformed.parameters)  
plot(res, dynrModel = model, style=1)
```

Results from dynr



Results from dynr

Dynamic Model

Regime 1:

$$d(\text{Judy}(t)) = (\text{Judy}(t) - \text{Judy}(t)^2 - 0.56 \times \text{Judy}(t) \times \text{Nick}(t))dt$$

$$d(\text{Nick}(t)) = (0.5 \times (\text{Nick}(t) - \text{Nick}(t)^2) - 0.37 \times \text{Judy}(t) \times \text{Nick}(t))dt$$

Regime 2:

$$d(\text{Judy}(t)) = (\text{Judy}(t) - \text{Judy}(t)^2 + 0.4 \times \text{Judy}(t) \times \text{Nick}(t))dt$$

$$d(\text{Nick}(t)) = (0.5 \times (\text{Nick}(t) - \text{Nick}(t)^2) + 0.6 \times \text{Judy}(t) \times \text{Nick}(t))dt$$

Measurement Model

$$x = \text{Judy} + \varepsilon_1$$

$$y = \text{Nick} + \varepsilon_2$$



Discussion

1. Modeling the start and end of the collaborative learning process
2. Reconsider the current modeling framework: relations between measurement and latent states
3. Implications for adaptive learning:
 - 3.1 Test to learn:
test as intervention and source of motivation
 - 3.2 Continuous tutoring and monitoring
4. Application to real data.

Thank you for your attention!



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