Characterisation of individual nodes in the mesoscale of complex networks

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Structure

- 1. Biological neuronal networks
- 2. Climate networks
- 3. Multilayer transportation network



Neuronal networks are extremely complex systems

consisting of from 279 to ~86 billion neurons linked with to 8,000 to 10^15 synapses



Segregation & Integration

enable parallel information processing

Tononi, G., Sporns, O., & Edelman, G. M. (1994). A measure for brain complexity: relating functional segregation and integration in the nervous system. *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences*, *91*(11), 5033-5037.



community detection as mesoscale analysis



we measure the position of individual nodes in the mesoscale



Measuring segregation and integration in a network -> role of nodes in the mesoscale



 $P_{im} = \frac{(\text{number of neighbours in this module})}{(\text{number of potential neighbours in this module})}$

participation vector

for each node M elements (= number of modules)

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for each node M elements (= number of modules) **normalisation** of each vector



participation index

reduction to scalar value necessary



degree is not sufficient to define hubness



hubness compares node's degree with a random null model



We analyse different networks with this 2dimensional mapping -> role of nodes in the mesoscale



no hubs and no modularity



hubs but still no modularity



modular networks

modularity is tunebale but no hubs



modular network with SF attachment

shows segregated modules and connecting hubs



Climate networks



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Indian Summer Monsoon



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community detection and participation are useful in climate networks

extreme precipitation synchronisation during Indian Summer Monsoon

Also applicable to multilayer or time-dependent networks

- multilayer networks consist of different kind of edges (e.g. social interactions or means of transportation)
- time-dependent

 networks change the
 adjacency matrix at
 each time step and
 can be represented
 as multilayer
 networks





hub and spoke



participation

airports have diverse roles in this multilayer organisation

Conclusion

- nodes have diverse roles in the mesoscale structure of networks
- participation and hubness are **one way** of deciphering those
- structures for segregation and integration are present in neuronal networks
- borders between modules can be investigated
- multilayer variant is applicable



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