

# Space-Shift Sampling of Graph Signals

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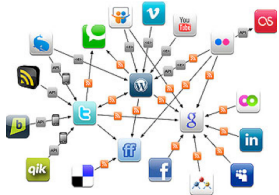
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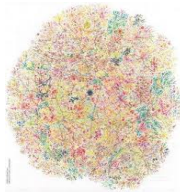
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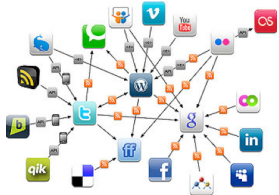


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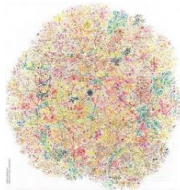


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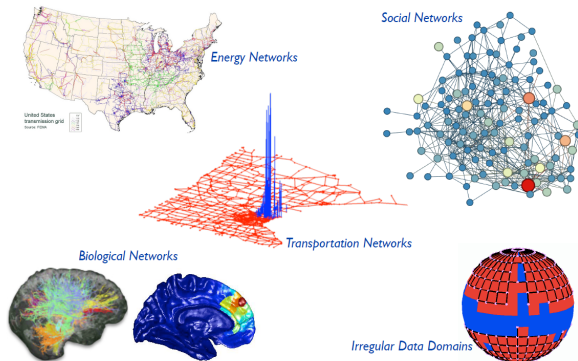
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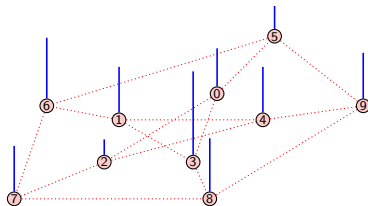


- ▶ **Desiderata:** Process, analyze and learn from **network data** [Kolaczyk'09]
- ▶ **Network as graph**  $G = (\mathcal{V}, \mathcal{E})$ : encode pairwise relationships
- ▶ Interest here not in  $G$  itself, but in **data** associated with **nodes** in  $\mathcal{V}$   
⇒ The object of study is a **graph signal**
- ▶ **Ex:** Opinion profile, buffer congestion levels, neural activity, epidemic



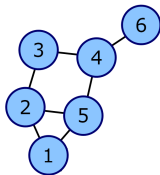
- ▶ **Graph SP**: broaden classical SP to graph signals [Shuman et al'13]
  - ⇒ **Our view**: **GSP** well suited to study network processes
- ▶ **As.:** Signal properties related to **topology** of  $G$  (e.g., smoothness)
  - ⇒ Algorithms that fruitfully **leverage this relational structure**

- ▶ Consider a graph  $G(\mathcal{V}, \mathcal{E})$ . **Graph signals** are mappings  $x : \mathcal{V} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ 
  - $\Rightarrow$  Defined on the vertices of the **graph** (data tied to nodes)
- ▶ May be represented as a vector  $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^N$ 
  - $\Rightarrow x_n$  denotes the signal value at the  $n$ -th vertex in  $\mathcal{V}$
  - $\Rightarrow$  Implicit **ordering of vertices**



$$\mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} x_0 \\ x_1 \\ x_2 \\ \vdots \\ x_9 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0.6 \\ 0.7 \\ 0.3 \\ \vdots \\ 0.7 \end{bmatrix}$$

- ▶ To understand and analyze  $\mathbf{x}$ , useful to account for  $G$ 's structure
- ▶ Graph  $G$  is endowed with a **graph-shift** operator  $\mathbf{S} \in \mathbb{R}^{N \times N}$   
 $\Rightarrow S_{ij} = 0$  for  $i \neq j$  and  $(i, j) \notin \mathcal{E}$  (captures local structure in  $G$ )
- ▶  $\mathbf{S}$  can take **nonzero** values in the **edges** of  $G$  or in its **diagonal**

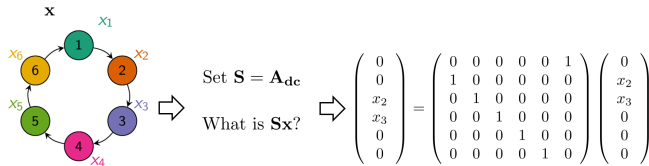


$$\mathbf{S} = \begin{pmatrix} S_{11} & S_{12} & 0 & 0 & S_{15} & 0 \\ S_{21} & S_{22} & S_{23} & 0 & S_{25} & 0 \\ 0 & S_{23} & S_{33} & S_{34} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & S_{43} & S_{44} & S_{45} & S_{46} \\ S_{51} & S_{52} & 0 & S_{54} & S_{55} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & S_{64} & 0 & S_{66} \end{pmatrix}$$

- ▶ **Ex:** Adjacency  $\mathbf{A}$ , degree  $\mathbf{D}$ , and Laplacian  $\mathbf{L} = \mathbf{D} - \mathbf{A}$  matrices

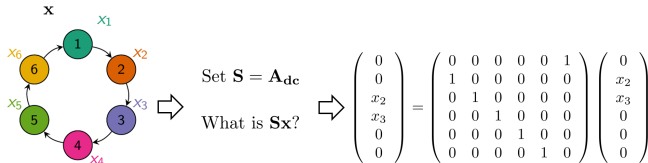
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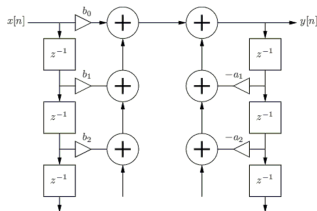




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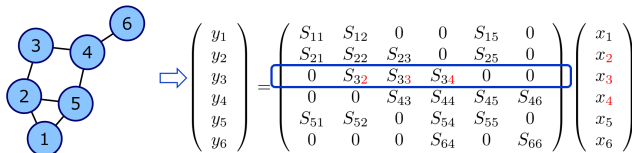
- **S** will be building block for **GSP algorithms**  
 $\Rightarrow$  Same is true in the time domain (filters and delay)



- ▶  $\mathbf{S}$  is a **linear operator** that can be **computed locally** at the nodes in  $\mathcal{V}$
- ▶ Consider the graph signal  $\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{S}\mathbf{x}$  and node  $i$ 's neighborhood  $\mathcal{N}_i$   
 $\Rightarrow$  Node  $i$  can compute  $y_i$  if it has access to  $x_j$  at  $j \in \mathcal{N}_i$

$$y_i = \sum_{j \in \mathcal{N}_i} S_{ij} x_j, \quad i \in \mathcal{V}$$

- ▶ Recall  $S_{ij} \neq 0$  only if  $i = j$  or  $(j, i) \in \mathcal{E}$



- ▶ If  $\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{S}^2\mathbf{x} \Rightarrow y_i$  found using values  $x_j$  within 2 hops

- ▶ **As.:**  $\mathbf{S}$  related to generation (description) of the signals of interest  
⇒ Spectrum of  $\mathbf{S} = \mathbf{V}\mathbf{\Lambda}\mathbf{V}^{-1}$  will be especially useful to analyze  $\mathbf{x}$
- ▶ The Graph Fourier Transform (GFT) of  $\mathbf{x}$  is defined as

$$\tilde{\mathbf{x}} = \mathbf{V}^{-1}\mathbf{x}$$

- ▶ While the inverse GFT (iGFT) of  $\tilde{\mathbf{x}}$  is defined as

$$\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{V}\tilde{\mathbf{x}}$$

- ⇒ Eigenvectors  $\mathbf{V} = [\mathbf{v}_1, \dots, \mathbf{v}_N]$  are the frequency basis (atoms)
- ▶ **Ex:** For the directed cycle (temporal signal) ⇒  $\text{GFT} \equiv \text{DFT}$   
⇒ DFT matrix diagonalizes circulant matrices like  $\mathbf{S} = \mathbf{A}_{dc}$

- ▶ **Sampling** is a cornerstone inverse problem in classical SP
  - ⇒ How to find  $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^N$  using  $P < N$  observations?

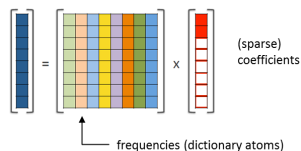
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- ▶ Our focus on **bandlimited** signals, but other models possible

⇒  $\tilde{\mathbf{x}} = \mathbf{V}^{-1}\mathbf{x}$  sparse

⇒  $\mathbf{x} = \sum_{k \in \mathcal{K}} \tilde{x}_k \mathbf{v}_k$ , with  $|\mathcal{K}| = K < N$

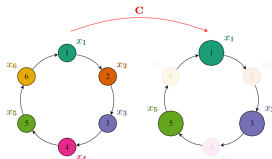
⇒ **S** involved in generation of **x**

⇒ Agnostic to the particular form of **S**

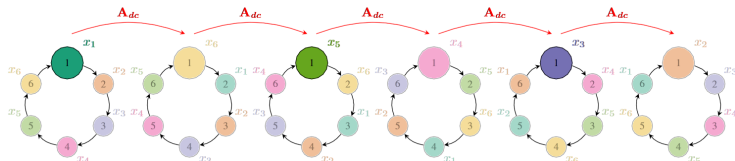


- ▶ Two sampling schemes were introduced in the literature
  - ⇒ **Selection** [Anis14, Chen15, Tsitsvero15, Puy15, Wang15]
  - ⇒ **Aggregation** [Marques15, Segarra15]
- ▶ We combine both to create a **hybrid** scheme ⇒ **Space-shift** sampling

- There are **two** ways of interpreting **sampling** of **time signals**
- We can either **freeze** the signal and **sample** values at **different times**



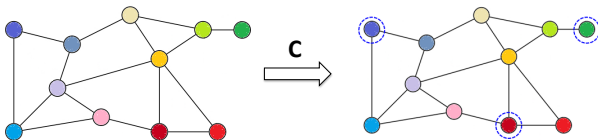
- We can fix a point (**present**) and **sample** the **evolution** of the signal



- Both strategies **coincide** for **time** signals but **not** for **general graphs**  
 $\Rightarrow$  Give rise to **selection** and **aggregation** sampling

- **Intuitive extension** of sampling to graph signals
  - ⇒ Select a **subset of the nodes** and observe the signal value
  - ⇒ Let  $\mathbf{C} \in \{0, 1\}^{P \times N}$  be a selection matrix ( $P$  rows of  $\mathbf{I}_N$ )

$$\bar{\mathbf{x}} = \mathbf{C}\mathbf{x}$$



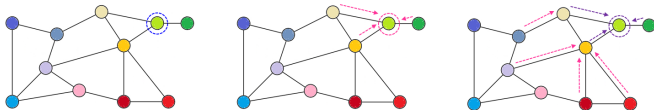
- Goal: recover  $\mathbf{x}$  based on  $\bar{\mathbf{x}}$ 
  - ⇒ Assume that the support of  $\mathcal{K}$  is known (w.l.o.g.  $\mathcal{K} = \{k\}_{k=1}^K$ )
  - ⇒ Since  $\tilde{x}_k = 0$  for  $k > K$ , define  $\tilde{\mathbf{x}}_K$  as (with  $\mathbf{E}_K := [\mathbf{e}_1, \dots, \mathbf{e}_K]$ )

$$\tilde{\mathbf{x}}_K := [\tilde{x}_1, \dots, \tilde{x}_K]^T = \mathbf{E}_K^T \tilde{\mathbf{x}}$$

- Use  $\bar{\mathbf{x}}$  to find  $\tilde{\mathbf{x}}_K$ , and then recover  $\mathbf{x}$  as

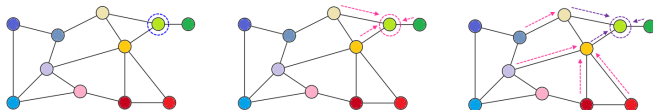
$$\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{V}_K \tilde{\mathbf{x}}_K = \mathbf{V}_K (\mathbf{C}\mathbf{V}_K)^{-1} \bar{\mathbf{x}}$$

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  - $\Rightarrow \mathbf{y}^{(l)} = \mathbf{S} \mathbf{y}^{(l-1)} \Rightarrow$  they can be found sequentially
  - $\Rightarrow S_{ij} = 0$  if  $i \notin \mathcal{N}_j \Rightarrow$  Only local exchanges are required
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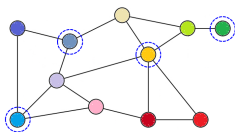


- ▶ Sampled signal  $\bar{\mathbf{y}}_i = \mathbf{C} \mathbf{y}_i \Rightarrow \bar{\mathbf{y}}_i$  can be obtained locally by node  $i$
- ▶ Goal: recover  $\mathbf{x}$  based on  $\bar{\mathbf{y}}_i \Rightarrow$  Find  $\tilde{\mathbf{x}}_K$  and recover  $\mathbf{x}$  as  $\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{V}_K \tilde{\mathbf{x}}_K$
- ▶ Define  $\bar{\mathbf{u}}_i := \mathbf{V}_K^T \mathbf{e}_i$  and the **Vandermonde** matrix  $\Psi$  s.t.  $\Psi_{kl} = \lambda_k^{l-1}$

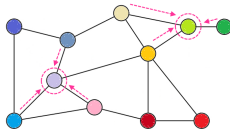
$$\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{V}_K \tilde{\mathbf{x}}_K = \mathbf{V}_K \text{diag}^{-1}(\bar{\mathbf{u}}_i) (\mathbf{C} \Psi^T \mathbf{E}_K)^{-1} \bar{\mathbf{y}}_i$$

- **Hybrid** scheme combining **selection** and **aggregation** sampling
  - ⇒ **Selection** ⇒ sampling the dimension of nodes
  - ⇒ **Aggregation** ⇒ sampling the dimension of shift applications
  - ⇒ **Space-shift** ⇒ sampling the 2D space spanned by the above

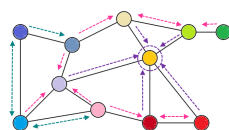
**Selection:** 4 nodes, 1 sample



**Space-shift:** 2 nodes, 2 samples



**Aggregat.:** 1 node, 4 samples



- Define the matrix  $\mathbf{Y} := [\mathbf{y}^{(0)}, \dots, \mathbf{y}^{(N-1)}] = [\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{S}\mathbf{x}, \dots, \mathbf{S}^{N-1}\mathbf{x}]$ 
  - ⇒ **Selection** samples the first **column** of  $\mathbf{Y}$
  - ⇒ **Aggregation** samples the  $i$ -th **row** of  $\mathbf{Y}$
  - ⇒ **Space-shift** samples the whole matrix  $\mathbf{Y}$

- ▶ Define the matrix  $\tilde{\mathbf{T}} := [\text{diag}(\bar{\mathbf{u}}_1), \dots, \text{diag}(\bar{\mathbf{u}}_N)]^T$  and  $\gamma := \text{vec}(\mathbf{Y}^T)$
- ▶ Let  $\mathbf{C} \in \{0, 1\}^{K \times N^2}$  be a selection matrix  $\Rightarrow \bar{\gamma} = \mathbf{C}\gamma$

## Recovery of space-shift sampling

Signal  $\mathbf{x}$  can be **recovered** from  $K$  space-shift samples as

$$\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{V}_K \tilde{\mathbf{x}}_K = \mathbf{V}_K (\mathbf{C}(\mathbf{I} \otimes (\Psi \mathbf{E}_K)) \tilde{\mathbf{T}})^{-1} \bar{\gamma}$$

provided that the inverse exists.

- ▶ If  $\mathbf{C}(\mathbf{I} \otimes (\Psi \mathbf{E}_K)) \tilde{\mathbf{T}}$  is not invertible  $\Rightarrow$  additional samples required
- ▶ In general, invertibility is not easy to check a priori  $\Rightarrow$  Selection
- ▶ For some forms of  $\mathbf{C}$ , invertibility can be ensured  $\Rightarrow$  Aggregation

## Appealing features of Space-shift Sampling

- ▶ Natural scheme when **S** encodes an underlying **network dynamics**
- ▶ Appropriate for **inference** based on a **few access nodes**
- ▶ Includes cases where node observes **neighboring signal** values
- ▶ Consistent with sampling in DSP
- ▶ Recovery **error** is **reduced** by combining selection and aggregation

## Extensions

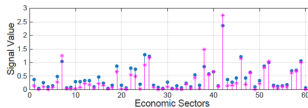
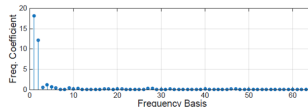
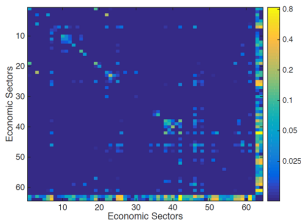
- ▶ Sampling in the presence of **noise**
  - ⇒ Design of optimal sampling schemes
  - ⇒ Aggregating **nodes** and **C** play a key role in minimizing error
- ▶ **Unknown** frequency **support** ⇒ **Sparse** recovery

- ▶ We have assumed the **first**  $K$  frequencies of  $\mathbf{x}$  to be active
- ▶ A more challenging problem  $\Rightarrow$  **Frequency support**  $\mathcal{K}$  is **unknown**
- ▶ Defining  $\mathbf{\Upsilon} := [\text{diag}(\mathbf{u}_1), \dots, \text{diag}(\mathbf{u}_N)]^T$ , reformulate the problem

$$\tilde{\mathbf{x}}^* = \arg \min_{\tilde{\mathbf{x}}} \|\tilde{\mathbf{x}}\|_0 \quad \text{s.t.} \quad \tilde{\mathbf{y}} = \mathbf{C}(\mathbf{I} \otimes \mathbf{\Psi}) \mathbf{\Upsilon} \tilde{\mathbf{x}}$$

- ▶ **Identifiable** when  $\mathbf{C}(\mathbf{I} \otimes \mathbf{\Psi}) \mathbf{\Upsilon}$  is **full spark** and has at least  $2K$  rows
- ▶ For some  $\mathbf{C}$ , full-spark can be assessed by inspecting  $\{\lambda_i\}_{i=1}^N$  and  $\mathbf{V}$
- ▶ Computationally, the  $\ell_0$  norm renders the optimization **non-convex**  
 $\Rightarrow$  Convexify it by replacing the  $\ell_0$  with an  $\ell_1$  norm
- ▶ **Recoverability** based on the **coherence** and the **RIP** of  $\mathbf{C}(\mathbf{I} \otimes \mathbf{\Psi}) \mathbf{\Upsilon}$
- ▶ With **noise**, the constraint can be replaced by  $\|\tilde{\mathbf{y}} - \mathbf{C}(\mathbf{I} \otimes \mathbf{\Psi}) \mathbf{\Upsilon} \tilde{\mathbf{x}}\|_2^2 < \epsilon$

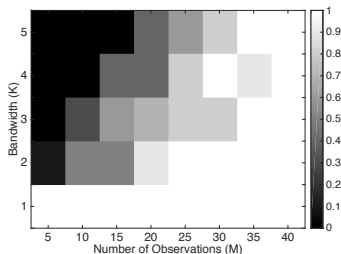
- ▶ 62 **economic sectors** in USA + 2 synthetic sectors
  - ⇒ Graph: average **flows** of production in 2007-2010,  $\mathbf{S} = \mathbf{A}$
  - ⇒ Signal  $\mathbf{x}$ : **Production** of sectors in 2011 (approx. bandlimited)



- ▶ Comparable **minimum** errors
- ▶ **Median** errors reduced via space-shift sampling

| Sampling strategy            |                              |                              |                              | Error |        |
|------------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|-------|--------|
|                              |                              |                              |                              | Min.  | Median |
| $[\mathbf{x}]_i$             | $[\mathbf{x}]_j$             | $[\mathbf{x}]_k$             | $[\mathbf{x}]_l$             | .0039 | 4.2    |
| $[\mathbf{x}]_i$             | $[\mathbf{S}\mathbf{x}]_i$   | $[\mathbf{S}^2\mathbf{x}]_i$ | $[\mathbf{S}^3\mathbf{x}]_i$ | .0035 | .019   |
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- ▶ Signals of **bandwidth**  $K \in \{1, 2, \dots, 5\}$  on the economic network
  - ⇒ Value of  $K$  known but not the specific support
- ▶ Nr. of **observations**  $M$ , i.e. rows of  $\mathbf{C}$ , where  $M \in \{5, 10, \dots, 40\}$ 
  - ⇒ Chosen among values in original signal  $\mathbf{x}$  and first shift  $\mathbf{S}\mathbf{x}$
- ▶ Solve **iterative** randomized version of **convex** relaxation



- ▶ For large  $M$  and small  $K$ 
  - ⇒ **perfect recovery**
- ▶ Gradual detriment for more adverse configurations

- ▶ Presented basic building blocks of GSP
  - ⇒ Graph signal  $\mathbf{x}$ , graph-shift operator  $\mathbf{S} = \mathbf{V}\mathbf{A}\mathbf{V}^{-1}$ , GFT  $\mathbf{V}^{-1}$
- ▶ Discussed differences between selection and aggregation sampling
- ▶ Selection and aggregation can be combined in space-shift sampling
  - ⇒ All of them reduce to traditional sampling in DSP
- ▶ Natural scheme for network processes
  - ⇒ Appropriate for inference with few access nodes
- ▶ Conditions for perfect recovery and joint support identification
- ▶ Illustrated concepts via the U.S. economic network