Integrating Multilevel Graph Partitioning with Hierarchical Set Oriented Methods for the Analysis of Dynamical Systems

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Motivation: Biomolecular Systems
Data by Ch. Schütte (TU Berlin)

- multiscale nature
  - fast scale (oscillations around almost invariant global states)
  - slow scale (conformational dynamics)

- aim: identification of
  - conformations/almost invariant sets & transition probabilities
  - essential degrees of freedom & effective dynamics
A Dynamical System

A map $f: X \rightarrow X$ on a compact subset $X \subset R^n$ defines a discrete dynamical system

$$x_{k+1} = f(x_k), \quad k = 0, 1, 2, \ldots$$

The data is usually given as a time series.

Goal:
_Divide the state space into almost invariant sets in which trajectories stay for a long period of time before they enter other parts of the state space._
Problem 1: Continuous

Let $m$ be the Lebesgue measure and for a set $S \subset X$ let

$$\rho(S) = \frac{m(f^{-1}(S) \cap S)}{m(S)}$$

be the transition probability that the set maps into itself.

Problem 1 (Continuous):

For some fixed $p \in \mathbb{N}$ find a collection of pairwise disjoint sets $S = \{S_1, \ldots, S_p\}$ with $\bigcup_{1 \leq i \leq p} S_i = X$ and $m(S_i) > 0$ such that

$$\rho(S) := \frac{1}{p} \sum_{i=1}^{p} \rho(S_i) \rightarrow \text{max}$$
Problem 2: Boxes

Discretize the state space by a box covering \( B = \{B_1, \ldots, B_n\} \) such that
\[
X = \bigcup_{i=1}^{b} B_i \quad \text{and} \quad m(B_i \cap B_j) = 0 \quad \text{for} \ i \neq j
\]

The result is a transition matrix between the boxes with
\[
P_B = (p_{ij}) \quad \text{where} \quad p_{ij} = \frac{m(f^{-1}(B_i) \cap B_j)}{m(B_j)} , \quad 1 \leq i, j \leq b
\]

We obtain the natural invariant measure \( \mu \) as the eigenvector to the eigenvalue 1 of \( P_B \).

Problem 2 (Boxes):

For some fixed \( p \in N \) find a collection of pairwise disjoint sets
\[
S = \{S_1, \ldots, S_p\} \quad \text{with} \quad \bigcup_{1 \leq i \leq p} S_i = B \quad \text{and} \quad \mu(S_i) > 0 \quad \text{such that}
\]

\[
\rho(S) := \frac{1}{p} \sum_{k=1}^{p} \rho(S_k) = \frac{1}{p} \sum_{k=1}^{p} \frac{\sum_{B_i, B_j \subset S_k} p_{ij} \cdot \mu(B_j)}{\sum_{B_j \in S_k} \mu(B_j)} \to \max
\]
Almost Invariant Sets

Example: Molecular Dynamics - Pentane

5 parts: 0.97

7 parts: 0.96
Graph Based Approach: The Transition Graph
(Froyland-Dellnitz 01, Dellnitz-P. 02)

- Boxes are vertices
- Coarse dynamics represented by edges
- Edge weights:
  \[ w(i, j) = \mu(B_i) \cdot P_{ij} = \mu(B_i \cap f^{-1}(B_j)) \]
- To compute almost invariant sets use graph partitioning algorithms
Problem 3: Graph

Problem 2 can be formulated as a graph partitioning problem:

Let $G = (V, E)$ be a graph with
- vertex set $V = B$,
- directed edge set $E = \{(B_1, B_2) \in B \times B : f(B_1) \cap B_2 \neq \emptyset\}$,
- vertex weights $vw(B_i) = \mu(B_i)$ and
- edge weights $\mu((B_i, B_j)) = \mu(B_i)\mu(B_j)$.

Problem 3 (Graph):

For some fixed $p \in N$ find a collection of pairwise disjoint sets

$S = \{S_1, \ldots, S_p\}$ with $\bigcup_{1 \leq i \leq p} S_i = V$ and $vw(S_i) > 0$ such that

$$\rho(S) = C_{\text{int}}(S) = \frac{1}{p} \sum_{i=1}^{p} \sum_{(v,w) \in E; v,w \in S_i} \frac{\mu\{v,w\}}{\sum_{v \in S_i} \mu(v)} \rightarrow \text{max}$$
Toolboxes

**GAIO** (Dellnitz et al.): *Global Analysis of Invariant Objects*

- invariant manifolds
- global attractors
- set oriented numerical methods
- invariant sets (mission design; zero finding)
- invariant measures
- almost invariant sets
- statistics (molecular dynamics)

**GADS** (P.): *Graph Algorithms for Dynamical Systems (PARTY, …)*
Set Oriented Approximation of Global Attractors
Hierarchical Set Oriented Approach

INPUT: initial box $B_0$ and number of levels $l$

FOR $k:=1$ TO $l$ DO
  - subdivide boxes of $B_{k-1}$ to obtain box covering $B_k$
  - select only boxes $B$ from $B_k$ for which $f^{-1}(B) \cap \hat{C} \neq \emptyset$
    for some other box $C$

OUTPUT: $B_l$

**Proposition [Dellnitz-Hohmann 1997]:**

Let $A_Q$ be the global attractor of $Q$ and $Q_k = \bigcup_{B \in B_k} B$. Then

$$\lim_{k \to \infty} h(A_Q, Q_k) = 0$$

with $h(\cdot, \cdot)$ being the Hausdorff distance.
Realization of the Selection Step

We have to check whether \( f^{-1}(B_i) \cap B_j \neq \emptyset \ \forall \ i, j \).

Use test points:

\[
f(y) \notin B_i \text{ for all test points } y \in B_j ?
\]

Standard choice of test points:

• For low dimensions:
equidistant distribution, e.g. on the boundaries of boxes.
• For higher dimensions:
stochastic distribution inside the boxes.
The Standard Approach

1. Hierarchical Set Oriented Phase
   1. Discretize the space through several levels of boxes
   2. Calculate the transition matrix

2. Use Graph Partitioning Methods on the finest box level
Multilevel Graph Partitioning Paradigm
Multilevel Graph Partitioning
Multilevel Graph Partitioning

INPUT: $G_0$, number of parts $p$ and number of levels $L$

$k=0$
WHILE $V_k > L$ DO
- coarse vertices in $G_k$ to construct a smaller Graph $G_{k+1}$
- $k:=k+1$
Compute partition $S_k$ of $V_k$ into $p$ parts
WHILE $k > 0$ DO
- $k:=k-1$
- project $S_{k+1}$ to a partition $S_k$ of $G_k$
- locally optimize $S_k$ with respect to $C_{int}$

OUTPUT: $S_0$
The Standard Approach

1. Hierarchical Set Oriented Phase
   a. Discretize the state space through several levels of boxes
   b. Calculate the transition matrix

2. Multilevel Graph Partitioning Phase
   a. Translate the problem into a graph partitioning problem
   b. Use Multilevel Graph Partitioning Methods

1.a and 2.b exhibit multilevel structures!
The Integrated Approach

INPUT: initial box $B_0$, the number of parts $p$ and the number of levels $l$

$$S_0 = \{B_0\}$$

FOR $k := 1$ TO $l$ DO
  1) subdivide boxes of $B_{k-1}$ and select boxes to obtain box covering $B_k$
  2) compute transition matrix $P_k$
  3) project $S_{k-1}$ to a partition $S_k$ of $B_k$
  4) locally optimize $S_k$ with respect to $C_{int}$

OUTPUT: $B_l$, $S_l$
Example: Pentane (7 parts)
## Internal Costs

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Example: Hexane (17 parts)
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Example: Hénon Map (2 parts)
Example: PCRTB (7 parts)

Poincare Surface in the Planar Circular Restricted Three Body Problem of Sun, Jupiter and a particle
DONEs - TODOs

DONEs
• Interlock of multilevel mechanisms
• Application to applications

TODOs
• More/better interlock?
• Right number of parts p?
• Paths between almost invariant sets
Outlook: Calculation of Transition Paths
(Dominant Paths Between Almost Invariant Sets)

Shortest Paths Generalizations:
- Sets of sources/destinations
- All \((1+e)\)-shortest paths

Strategy:
1. Generate boxes and graph
2. Calculate partition
3. Calculate centers of parts
4. Calculate shortest paths
Thank you for your attention.

The story about continuous people and discrete people is like in a marriage:

you are either the man or the woman.

There are problems in life which are better addressed only by men or only by women, but for the most important problems in human life they have to work together!