# Faithfulness assumption in concentration and covariance graphical models

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<sup>1.</sup> P. Magwene and J. Kim. Estimating genomic coexpression networks using first-order conditional independence. *Genom Biol.*, 5(12), 2004.

- Estimating Gene Network Interaction (GNI) from Genomic Data ?
- GNI = Gaussian Concentration Graph.
  - G = (V, E) undirected graph, V set of genes
  - $\mathbf{X}_V = (X_u, \in u \in V)' \sim \mathcal{N}(\mu = 0, K = \Sigma^{-1})$ where  $X_u = X(g_u)$  expression level of  $g_u$ .



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Preliminaries

# Undirected graphs

### Definition

An undirected graph G = (V, E) is a pair of sets V and  $E \subseteq (V \times V) \setminus \{(u, u), u \in V\}$  such that

$$\forall (u,v) \in E \iff (v,u) \in E$$

- We write u ~<sub>G</sub> v when (u, v) ∈ E and we say that u and v are adjacent in G.
- A path connecting two distinct vertices u and v in G is a sequence (u<sub>0</sub>, u<sub>1</sub>,..., u<sub>n</sub>) where u<sub>0</sub> = u and u<sub>n</sub> = v where ∀i = 0,..., n − 1, u<sub>i</sub> ~<sub>G</sub> u<sub>i+1</sub>.
- We denote by  $\mathcal{P}(u, v, G)$  the set of paths between u and v

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# Undirected graphs...Separators

• In a connected graph, a separator  $S \subseteq V$  such that  $\exists u \not\sim_G v$  such that  $u, v \notin S$  and

$$\forall p \in \mathcal{P}(u, v, G), \ p \cap S \neq \emptyset$$

- An Ø separates u and v iff there is no path between u and v,
   i.e., they belong to different connected components.
- (A, B, S) a triplet of disjoint subset of V, S separates A and B in G iff S separates any (u, v) ∈ A × B.
- A separation statement, (A, B, S) is a triplet of pairwise disjoint subsets. S separates A and B in G iff S is a separator of any pair of vertices (u, v) ∈ A × B.

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Preliminaries

# Graphical Models

- V is a finite set
- X = (X<sub>v</sub>, v ∈ V)' is a random vector with probability distribution P.

• 
$$G = (V, E)$$
 is a graph where  $E \subseteq V \times V$ .

### Definition

We say that P is Markov to G if

 $\left(\begin{array}{c} A \text{ separation} \\ \text{statement read on } G \end{array}\right) \Rightarrow \left(\begin{array}{c} \text{Conditional independence} \\ \text{statement read on } P \end{array}\right)$ 

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# Basic Concept



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Concentration graphical models

# **Concentration** graphical models

$$\mathbf{X} = (X_v, v \in V)' \sim P$$
 and  $\mathbf{G} = (V, \mathbf{E})$  an undirected graph.

### Definition

G is the concentration graph associated with P iff

$$u \not\sim_{\mathbf{G}} v \iff X_u \perp \!\!\!\perp X_v \mid \mathbf{X}_{V \setminus \{u,v\}}$$

where 
$$\mathbf{X}_{V \setminus \{u,v\}} := (X_w, w \neq u \text{ and } w \neq v)'$$
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### Question :

Can we read additional conditional independence statements in the graph G?

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# Concentration intersection property

Theorem (Lauritzen 1996)

Assume that

- i. G is the concentration graph associated with P.
- ii. P satisfies the concentration intersection property, i.e.,  $\forall A, B$ and  $C \subseteq V$  and pairwise disjoints

 $\mathbf{X}_{A} \perp \!\!\!\perp \mathbf{X}_{B} \mid \mathbf{X}_{C \cup D} \text{ and } \mathbf{X}_{A} \perp \!\!\!\perp \mathbf{X}_{C} \mid \mathbf{X}_{B \cup D} \Rightarrow \mathbf{X}_{A} \perp \!\!\!\perp \mathbf{X}_{B \cup C} \mid \mathbf{X}_{D}.$ (1)

Then P is concentration global Markov to G, i.e.,  $\forall (A, B, S)$ ,

if S separates A and B in  $G \Rightarrow \mathbf{X}_A \perp \mathbf{X}_B \mid \mathbf{X}_S$ . (2)

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Example :

As  $\{2,5\}$  separates  $\{1\}$  and  $\{4\}$  then

 $X_1 \perp \!\!\!\perp X_4 \mid (X_2, X_5).$ 

As  $\{2,3,6\}$  separates  $\{4,5\}$  and  $\{1\}$  then

 $X_1 \perp\!\!\!\perp (X_4, X_5) \mid (X_2, X_3, X_6).$ 



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# Covariance graphical models

$$\mathbf{X} = (X_{v}, v \in V)' \sim P$$
 and  $G_{0} = (V, E_{0})$  an undirected graph.

### Definition

 $G_0$  is the covariance graph associated with P iff

$$u \not\sim_{G_0} v \iff X_u \perp \!\!\!\perp X_v$$

where 
$$\mathbf{X}_{V \setminus \{u,v\}} := (X_w, w \neq u \text{ and } w \neq v)'.$$

### Question :

Can we read additional conditional independence statements in the graph  $G_0$ ?

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# Covariance intersection property

Theorem (Kauermann 1996) Assume that

i.  $G_0$  is the covariance graph associated with P.

ii. P satisfies the covariance intersection property, i.e.,

 $\forall A, B, C \subseteq V$  and pairwise disjoints

$$\mathbf{X}_A \perp\!\!\perp \mathbf{X}_B$$
 and  $\mathbf{X}_A \perp\!\!\perp \mathbf{X}_C \Rightarrow \mathbf{X}_A \perp\!\!\perp \mathbf{X}_{B\cup C}$ . (3)

Then P is covariance global Markov to  $G_0$ , i.e.,  $\forall (A, B, S)$ ,

if  $V \setminus (S \cup A \cup B)$  separates A and B in  $G_0 \Rightarrow \mathbf{X}_A \perp \mathbf{X}_B \mid \mathbf{X}_S$ .

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# Example :

As 
$$\{2,5\} = V \setminus (\{3,6\} \cup \{1\} \cup \{4\})$$
  
separates  $\{1\}$  and  $\{4\}$  then

$$X_1 \perp \!\!\!\perp X_4 \mid (X_3, X_6).$$

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As  $\{2,3,6\} = V \setminus (\emptyset \cup \{1\} \cup \{4,5\})$ separates  $\{4,5\}$  and  $\{1\}$  then

$$X_1 \perp\!\!\!\perp (X_4, X_5).$$

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Assume that G is the concentration graph and  $G_0$  is the covariance graph associated with P.

• P is concentration faithful to G if  $\forall (A, B, S)$ 

S separates A and B in  $G \iff \mathbf{X}_A \perp\!\!\perp \mathbf{X}_B \mid \mathbf{X}_S$ .

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• P is covariance faithful to  $G_0$  if  $\forall (A, B, S)$ 

S separates A and B in  $G_0 \iff X_A \coprod X_B \downarrow X_{V \setminus (A \cup B \cup S)} = O(A \cup B \cup S)$ 

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# Implication of concentration faithful assumption

Theorem (Malouche and Rajaratnam 2010a)

• 
$$\mathbf{X}_V = (X_v, v \in V)' \sim P$$

- Assume that P satisfies the concentration and the covariance intersection properties ((1) and (3)).
- Assume that P has a positive density.
- *G* = (*V*, *E*) and *G*<sub>0</sub> = (*V*, *E*<sub>0</sub>) denote respectively the concentration and the covariance graph associated with *P*.

### If P is concentration faithful to G, then

- i. all the connected components of  $G_0$  are complete.
- ii. G and  $G_0$  have the same connected components.

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The proof : the concentration graph case...

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• if G is connected,

$$u \not\sim_{G_0} v \iff X_u \perp \!\!\!\perp X_v$$
  
 $\iff \emptyset$  separates  $u$  and  $v$  in  $G$   
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## The proof : the concentration graph case...

- if G is connected,
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if G is not connected, we have to prove : if G<sub>A</sub> is a connected component of G then G<sub>A</sub> = G(P<sub>A</sub>) where
 X<sub>A</sub> = (X<sub>u</sub>, u ∈ A)' ~ P<sub>A</sub>.

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Equivalently

$$X_{u} \perp \!\!\!\perp X_{v} \mid \mathbf{X}_{V \setminus \{u,v\}} \iff X_{u} \perp \!\!\!\perp X_{v} \mid \mathbf{X}_{A \setminus \{u,v\}}$$

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# Implication of covariance faithful assumption

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- G = (V, E) and G<sub>0</sub> = (V, E<sub>0</sub>) denote respectively the concentration and the covariance graph associated with P.
- If P is covariance faithful to  $G_0$ , then
  - i. all the connected components of G are complete.
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Claim 1  $u \sim_G v \iff u, v \in A \text{ or } u, v \in B$ 

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Claim 1  $u \sim_G v \iff u, v \in A \text{ or } u, v \in B$ Claim 2 A and B generate also two connected components in G. Faithfulness assumption 0000000

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# Gaussian graphical Models

• 
$$\mathbf{X} = (X_{\mathbf{v}}, \, \mathbf{v} \in V)' \sim P = \mathcal{N}_{|V|}(\mu, K = \Sigma^{-1})$$
, with density

$$f(\mathbf{x}) = rac{1}{(2\pi)^{|V|/2}|\Sigma|^{1/2}} \, \exp\left(-rac{1}{2}(\mathbf{x}-\mu)'\Sigma^{-1}(\mathbf{x}-\mu)'
ight),$$

 $K = (k_{uv})$  precision matrix and  $\Sigma = (\sigma_{uv})$  Gaussian distribution.

- *P* satisfies concentration and covariance intersection properties ((1) and (3)).
- Concentration graph : G = (V, E)

$$u \not\sim_G v \iff k_{uv} = 0.$$

• Covariance graph associated with P:  $G_0 = (V, E_0)$  defined by

$$u \not\sim_{G_0} v \iff \sigma_{uv} = 0.$$

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# Undirected graphs... Trees

### Definition

A graph G is called a *tree* if any pair of vertices (u, v) in G are connected by exactly one path, i.e.,  $|\mathcal{P}(u, v, G)| = 1 \quad \forall u, v \in V$ .



#### Lemma

If G is a tree, any subgraph of G induced by a subset of V is a union of connected components, each of which are trees.

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# **Concentration** faithful Trees

### Theorem (Becker, Geiger and Meek 2005)

Assume that

- i. P is a Gaussian distribution
- ii. G is the concentration graph associated with P.

If G is a tree then P is concentration faithful to G.

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## Covariance faithful Trees

### Theorem (Malouche and Rajaratnam 2010b)

Assume that

- i. P is a Gaussian distribution
- ii.  $G_0$  is the covariance graph associated with P.

If  $G_0$  is a tree then P is covariance faithful to  $G_0$ .

### Computing inverse matrices using graphs

Lemma (Brualdi and Cvetkovic 2008, Jones and West 2005) Let  $K = (k_{uv})$  and  $\Sigma = (\sigma_{uv})$  be  $d \times d$  matrices and let  $G_0 = (V, E_0)$  be an undirected graph :

$$u \not\sim_{G_0} v \iff \sigma_{uv} = 0.$$

If  $K = \Sigma^{-1}$ , then  $\forall (u, v) \in V imes V$ 

$$k_{uv} = \sum_{\substack{p \in \mathcal{P}(u, v, G_0) \\ p = (u_0, \dots, u_n)}} (-1)^{|p|+1} \sigma_{u_0 u_1} \sigma_{u_1 u_2} \dots \sigma_{u_{n-1} u_n} \frac{|\Sigma \setminus p|}{|\Sigma|}$$

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# Example



- $G_0$  covariance graph of  $\mathbf{X} = (X_1, \dots, X_8)'$
- $S = \{4, 6\}$  does not separate  $A = \{1, 2\}$ ,  $B = \{5\}$ .
- $V \setminus (A \cup B \cup S) = \{3, 8, 7\}$
- Question :  $X_{\{1,2\}} \perp \!\!\!\perp X_{\{5\}} \mid X_{\{3,8,7\}}$  ?

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 $(\textbf{G}_{0})_{\{2,5,3,7,8\}}$  covariance graph of  $\textbf{X}_{\{2,5,3,7,8\}}$ 

$$k_{25|387} = (-1)^{2+1} \sigma_{23} \sigma_{35} \frac{|\Sigma(\{8,7\})|}{|\Sigma(\{2,5,3,8,7\})|} \neq 0$$

$$X_2 \not\!\perp X_5 \mid \mathbf{X}_{\{3,8,7\}} \Rightarrow \mathbf{X}_{\{1,2\}} \not\!\perp X_{\{5\}} \mid \mathbf{X}_{\{3,8,7\}}$$

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