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## **Independent Markov Decomposition**



## Breaking the law

- Markov modeling requires reversible sampling
- sampling scales with the combinatorial number of states in a system
- splitting large molecules a-priori into regions of interest keeps sampling constant

#### Can we do it?

### sampling necessary for reversibly connecting n independent 3 state toy models







# Recap MSMs & VAMP

The MSM transition matrix P propagates probability distributions:

$$\mathbf{p}_{t+\tau}^{\top} = \mathbf{p}_t^{\top} \boldsymbol{P}(\tau)$$

It is usually estimated from data by using discrete basis functions

The variational approach to Markov processes (VAMP) states that for finding the optimal model, we need to maximize the VAMP-*n* score [1], for MSMs:

 $R_n(\boldsymbol{P}) = \|\boldsymbol{P}(\tau)\|_n^n$ "The sum of eigenvalues" (n=1)

[1] Wu H, Noé F (2019) Variational Approach for Learning Markov Processes from Time Series Data. *J Nonlinear Sci.* 



### Decomposition

- Two independent systems (blue, red)
  - embedded in a larger state space
  - live in orthogonal subspaces







#### **Decomposition**

Defining two disjoint sub-regions A, B of phase space, the dynamics in those regions can be independent of each other. Then







#### **Decomposition**

The dynamics in joint (global) space can be computed from the Kronecker product





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## **Example of 4-gated ion channel**

IMD can approximately reproduce conductance measurements with ~2 orders of magnitude less sampling as compared with a classical MSM.





## **Scoring dependency**

By simply applying Kronecker product properties of matrix norms, we find (for VAMP-2 score):

$$|T||_F^2 = ||T_A||_F^2 \cdot ||T_B||_F^2.$$

Equivalent results apply to all VAMP-*p* scores.

One can define the *dependency* score between two subsystems using the discrepancy

$$d(A,B) = \left| \|T_{A,B}\|_F^2 - \|T_A\|_F^2 \cdot \|T_B\|_F^2 \right|$$

A Molecule B  
$$\alpha$$
  $\beta$ 





## **Optimal partition toy model**

**Q:** How to define subsystems in an unknown system?

A: Optimize dependency score!

Task for you.

You will compute the *dependency* score for all pairs of subsystems and assess which ones are strongly coupled.
You will model one of the independent systems that you find.





### Syt-C2A: hand-selected subsystems

- Syt-C2A is a calcium switch in the neurotransmitter release machinery
- 180 µs MD data (apo form)





#### Can we automatize this task with what we learnt?

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#### analysis

• We find clusters that correspond to structural features of protein





#### Thanks for your attention

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