An Engine for Comparative Time-Series Analysis

"the taming of the zoo"

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Organizing



Statistical learning techniques allow us to organize and understand things on a greater scale than ever before.





Organizing Science

- Our data and our methods are also objects that require organization.
- How do we make sense of the time-series data that we observe in the world?

We construct a comparative framework for time-series analysis



Challenges www.www.

Time Series Analysis:

- Pervasive importance in science
- Huge quantities of data
- Vast and growing quantity of methods
- Interdisciplinary boundaries



Structure

- Framework
- Structure of methods for time-series analysis
- Structure of empirical time series
- Utility for specific applications
- Constrained time-series datasets



What operations?

Basic statistics

trimmed means

standard deviation outliers

local extrema

zero crossings

Stationarity

StatAv

sliding windows bootstraps

distribution comparisons

Static distribution

quantiles

moments

fits to standard distributions

hypothesis tests

Basis Functions

wavelet transform power spectrum peaks spectral measures low frequency power

Correlation

decay properties linear autocorrelations automutual information dependence on additive noise nonlinear autocorrelations time reversal asymmetry generalized self-correlation function recurrence structure autocorrelation robustness fluctuation analysis: scaling randomization robustness recurrence plots

seasonality testing

Model fits

primitive forecasting **GARCH** modeling Fourier fits step-ahead dependence exponential smoothing AR models state space models hidden Markov models 'walker' statistics piecewise splines Gaussian Processes **ARMA** modeling

Nonlinear

2D embedding structure TSTOOL fractal dimension TISEAN correlation dimension Taken's estimator Poincaré sections surrogate data nonlinear prediction error Lyapunov exponent false nearest neighbours

Others

course-grained transition matrices motif distributions couple to dynamical systems stick angle distribution visibility graph step detection algorithms drifting mean tests extreme events PCA of embedded signal domain-specific standard metrics

Information Theory

SampEn distributional entropies conditional entropies binned entropies kernel smoothed entropies ApEn

Tsallis entropies

Design Matrix



Organizing Our Methods

- We organize operations using their outputs on a diverse range of empirical time series.
- Clustering allows us to form reduced sets of operations that capture the dominant types of behavior in our database.
- Gives structure to an interdisciplinary field.



long-range scaling

power spectral density

linear models

stationarity

variance

entropy

correlation dimension

complexity

information theory BIG PICTURE



How many operations are needed to efficiently summarize the structure we observe in empirical signals?



200 operations provide an efficient and interpretable summary

"i'm an AR(3) coefficient"

"hello, what are you?"

ZOOMING IN

Local Neighborhoods



Organize our methods for time-series analysis

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Automutual Information Measures



Visualize behavior



Organizing Our Data

- Our reduced interdisciplinary set of operations is a powerful summary of the structure in empirical time series
- Links between real-world and syntheticallygenerated time series encourage a unified, collaborative framework for understanding the dynamics in time series



broad classes of dynamics are distinguished









Time-series models?

- Real data are recordings of dynamics
- Time-series models generate dynamics with a known mechanism

Similarity Search

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suggest models for our data

suggest data for our models

Applications

- Drawing on a rich, interdisciplinary database of methods for time-series analysis allows datasets to be analyzed in new ways
- Reveal structure using PCA
- Select interpretable families of useful methods for a given classification/ regression task

EEGs

Distinguishing seizures

Emotional Speech

Heart Rate Variability

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Parkinson's Disease Speech

Parkinsonian Speech

Parkinsonian Speech

classifiers mix methods developed in different disciplines

Self-Affine Time Series

Logistic Map Regression

Logistic Map

Constrained systems

- We've seen redundancy in set of methods for natural signals.
- What about systems that can be fully described by a small number of parameters?
- The structure of our database can hint at this.

Many parameters

First Principal Component

One parameter

Two parameters

Isomap can quantify this

Conclusions

- Empirical organization of the methods we use in science
- Empirical organization of the time series and models we study in science
- Automatic classification and regression with the ability to give insights into underlying dynamics