A spatio-temporal characterization of tree development based on patchiness patterns

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The experimental orchard was located at the Cirad research station in Saint-Pierre, Réunion Island [Dambreville et al., 2013]. 7 cultivars, 5 mango trees by cultivar. Described at the GU scale for 2 complete growth cycles. Vertexes represent botanical entities.

Edges encode either the temporal precedence of two botanical entities produced by the same meristem or the branching relationship between two botanical entities.



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A tree quotienting of a tree graph $\mathcal{T} = (\mathcal{V}, \mathcal{E})$ is defined by:

- A set of vertices $\mathcal{P} \subseteq \mathcal{V}$.
- The function Π

$$\begin{aligned} \mathsf{\Pi} &: \mathcal{P} \to \mathfrak{P}\left(\mathcal{V}\right) \\ p &\mapsto \left\{ u \in \mathcal{V} : u \in \mathsf{De}\left(p\right) \setminus \cup_{q \in \mathcal{P} \cap \mathsf{de}(p)} \mathsf{De}\left(q\right) \right\}, \end{aligned}$$

where de(v) is the descendant set of vertex v, $De(v) = de(v) \cup \{v\}$ and $\mathfrak{P}(\mathcal{V})$ is the power set of \mathcal{V} .

 ${\cal P}$ denotes the set of change-points.

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For $S \subset \mathbb{N}$, let $(X_{i,j,k})_{k \in \mathcal{V}_{i,j}}$ be the \mathcal{X} -valued random process indexed by the random tree $i \in \mathcal{I} = \{0, \dots, I\}$ observed at time $j \in \mathcal{J} = \{0, \dots, J\}$ denoted by $T_{i,j} = (\mathcal{V}_{i,j}, \mathcal{E}_{i,j})$.

As for sequences, it's assumed that

$$\forall (i,i',j,j') \in \mathcal{I}^2 \times \mathcal{J}^2 \ : \ i \neq i' \lor j \neq j', \ (X_{i,j,k})_{k \in \mathcal{V}_{i,j}} \perp \!\!\!\!\perp \left(X_{i',j',k}\right)_{k \in \mathcal{V}_{i',j'}},$$

$$\forall (p, p') \subseteq \mathcal{P}^2 : p \neq p', (X_k)_{k \in \Pi(p)} \perp (X_k)_{k \in \Pi(p')}, \\ \forall p \subseteq \mathcal{P}, (X_k)_{k \in \Pi(p)} \sim \text{Categorical}(\theta_p) \text{ (i.i.d)}.$$

Thus, log-likelihood $\mathcal{L}\left((x_k)_{k\in\mathcal{V}}; \mathcal{P}, (\theta_p)_{p\in\mathcal{P}}\right)$ is easily computed for a given \mathcal{P} .

Finding an **optimal tree quotienting** defined by $\widehat{\mathcal{P}}$ of a labeled tree graph reduces to model selection using a penalized log-likelihood criterion.

$$\widehat{\mathcal{P}} = \operatorname*{arg\,max}_{P \in \mathfrak{P}(\mathcal{V})} \left\{ \mathcal{L}\left((x_k)_{k \in \mathcal{V}}; \mathcal{P}, (\theta_p)_{p \in \mathcal{P}} \right) - \operatorname{pen}\left(|\mathcal{P}| \right) \right\},\$$

To compute the penalization $pen(|\mathcal{P}|)$ we used slope heuristic methods [Baudry et al., 2012] with

$$\operatorname{pen}\left(|\mathcal{P}|\right) = 2\,\widehat{\kappa}\,\lograc{|\mathcal{V}|^{|\mathcal{P}|}}{|\mathcal{P}|!}.$$

Contrarilly to sequences, given the number of quotients $|\mathcal{P}|$, the inference of \mathcal{P} cannot be done with exact methods.

By definition:

$$\mathcal{P}^{(0)}=\left\{ r\right\} ,$$

with r the root of the tree graph, and

$$\mathcal{P}^{(1)} = \mathcal{P}^{(0)} \cup \left\{ \arg\max_{v \in \mathcal{V}} \left\{ \mathcal{L}\left((x_k)_{k \in \mathcal{V}}; \mathcal{P} \cup \{v\}, (\theta_p)_{p \in \mathcal{P} \cup \{v\}} \right) \right\} \right\},$$

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Composition of trees (left-hand circles) against the composition of patches (right-hand circles).



The RGB poles respectively represent trees that purely reproductive tree, purely vegetative and purely quiescent.

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Scale of patch expression in reference to the different biological quotienting



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Identifying patches identities with a forest \neg An EM algorithm for tree clustering



Using EM algorithm and MAP (Maximum A Posteriori) assignment of quotients of standard mixture models [McLachlan and Peel, 2000] such that vertices in same quotient are assigned to the same component [Picard et al., 2005].



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Using BIC, ICL criterion.



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R (resp. V, Q) for reproductive (resp. vegetative, quiescent) patches.



Identifying patchiness dynamics with a forest \neg ${\sf Problems}$

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Characterizing patches of mango trees \equiv Reducing an optimal tree quotienting into a labeled tree graph.



This considerations are purely spatial !



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How to take into account that a mango tree i has been observed a different given dates $j \in \{0, \cdots, J\}$?



What is the outcome of a patch ? What is the source of a patch ?



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MAP from mixture models for quotiented tree.



MAP from Markov models for quotiented tree such as the state duration is at most 1.



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Difficulties to detect particular events.

We used supervised classification tools on patch types given some summary statistics:

- The number of children denoted by d^+ .
- The number of children that are of a given patch type denoted by ch.
- The number of parent denoted by d^- .
- The number of parent that are of a given patch type denoted by pa..
- The patch scale of expression denoted by *S*.



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Difficulties to compare them.

We used supervised classification tools on cultivars given some summary statistics:

- The average number of children of a given patch type denoted by d⁻.
- ► The average number of parent of a given patch type denoted by d⁺.
- ► The proportion of patch in each scale of expression or each period denoted by π.



Identifying patchiness dynamics with a forest

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Such approaches are limited, we would rather perform unsupervised classification using models for random graphs.

Mixture model for random graphs [Daudin et al., 2008] but:

- undirected against directed edges (NoP),
- unlabeled against labeld vertices (NoP),
- \mathcal{V} known against random but with \mathcal{J} known.

Using ARMA-like models for the distribution of vertices along ${\cal J}$ [Weiß, 2008].

Limited number of vertices/states could lead to forward-backward algorithms for exact inference.



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- This has been illustrated with the problem of patchiness within mango trees. Nevertheless, the methodology is not restricted to categorical data on tree-indexed data.



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- Apply this methodology to study patchiness in other species or other phenomena (mango tree asynchronisms)?



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