

Joint Learning of Multiple Related Gaussian Graphical Models from Heterogeneous Samples: Tasks, Estimators and Variations

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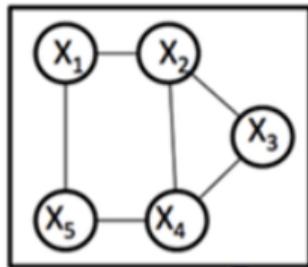
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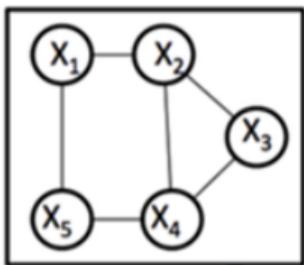
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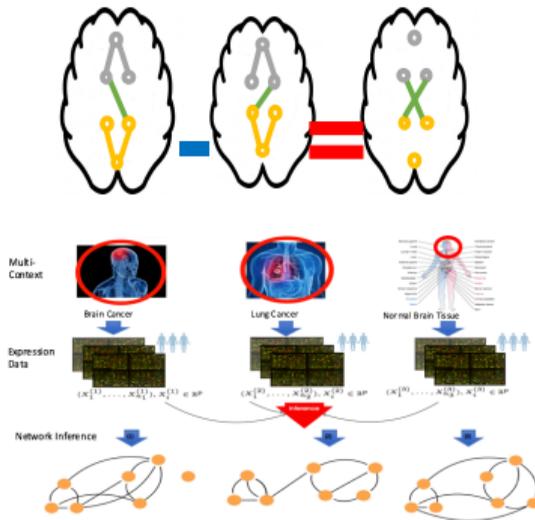
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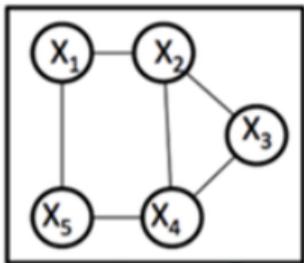
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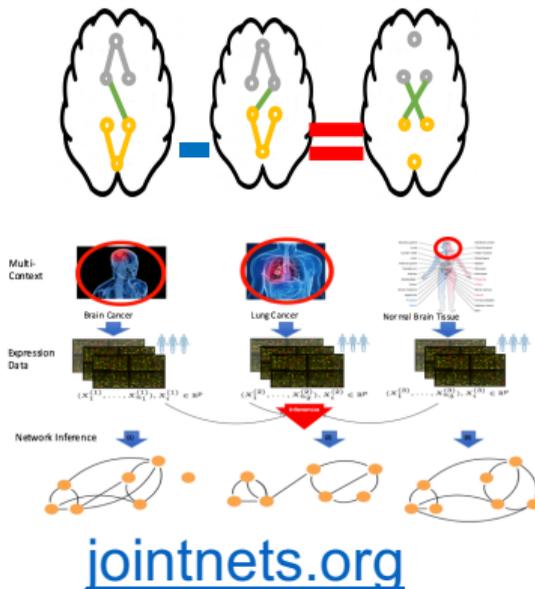
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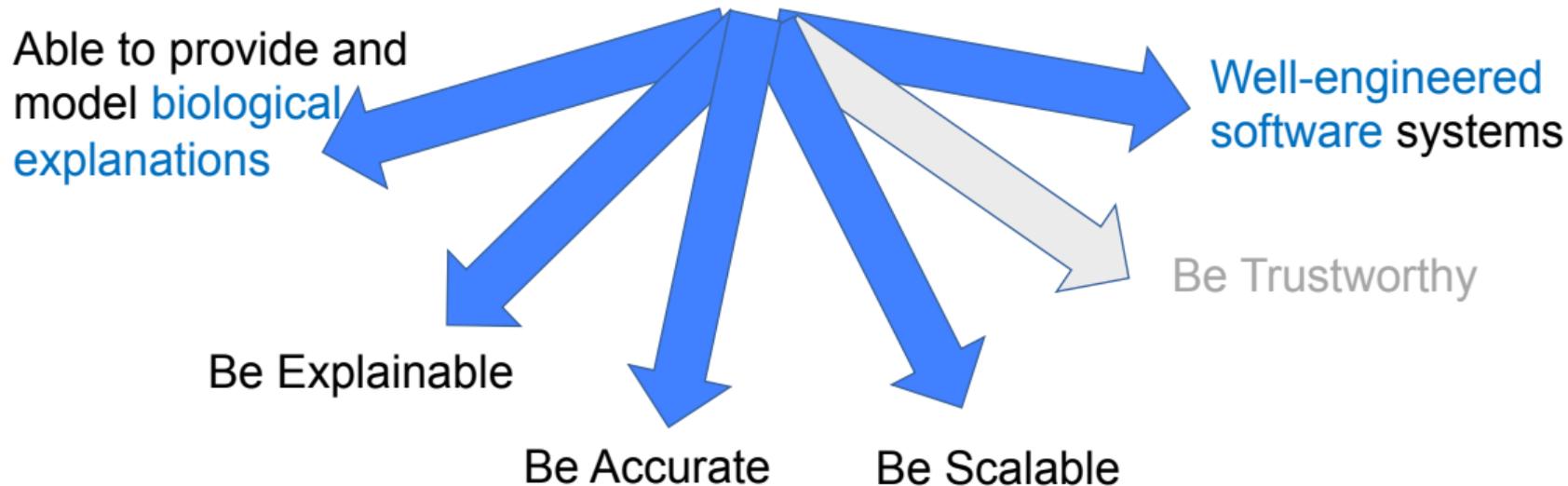
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- Joint graph discovery from heterogeneous samples
 - Fast and scalable graph estimators
 - Parallelizable method (GPU, multi-threading)
 - Sharp convergence rate (sharp error bounds)

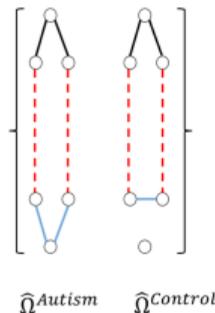
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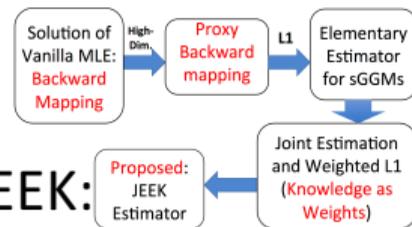
Timeline of JointNets

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WSIMULE:



JEEK:



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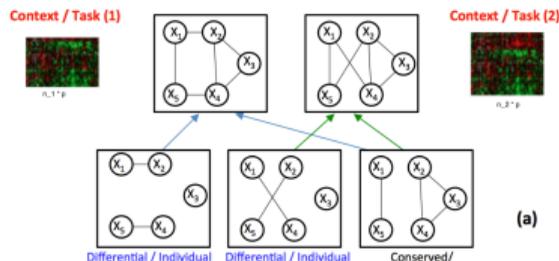
2016

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SIMULE:



DIFFEE:



kDIFFNet:

Add Knowledge in DIFFEE

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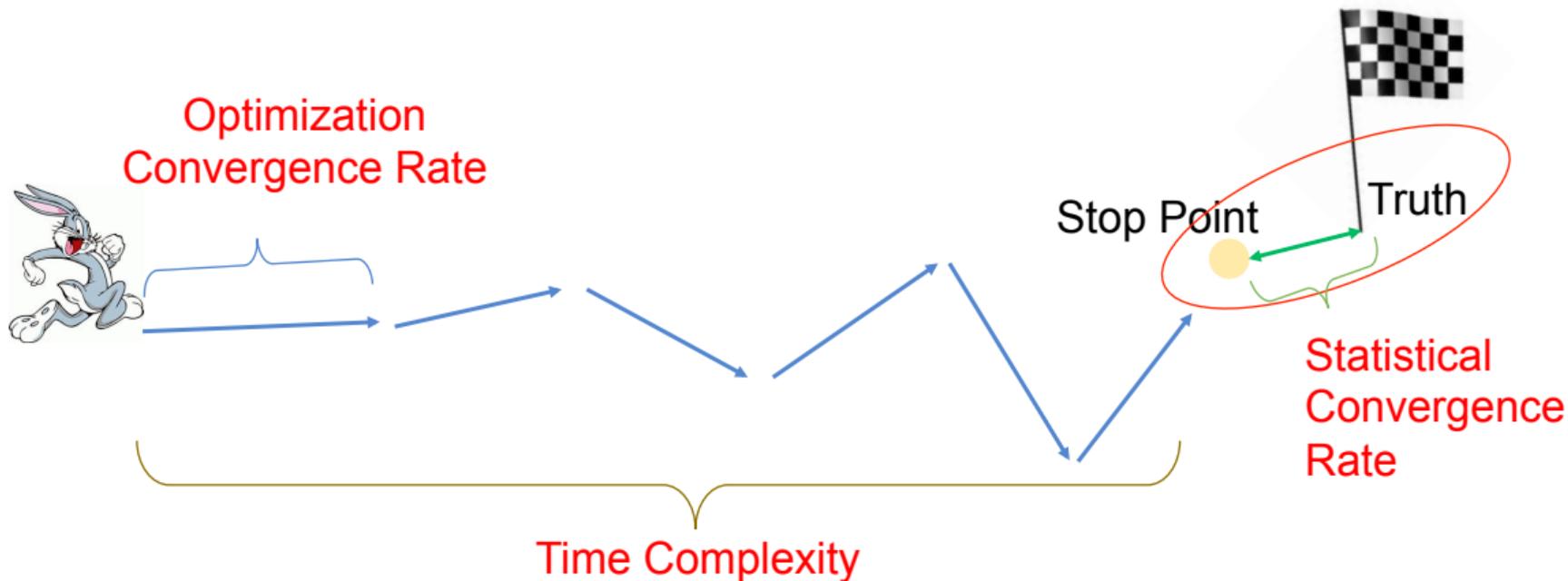
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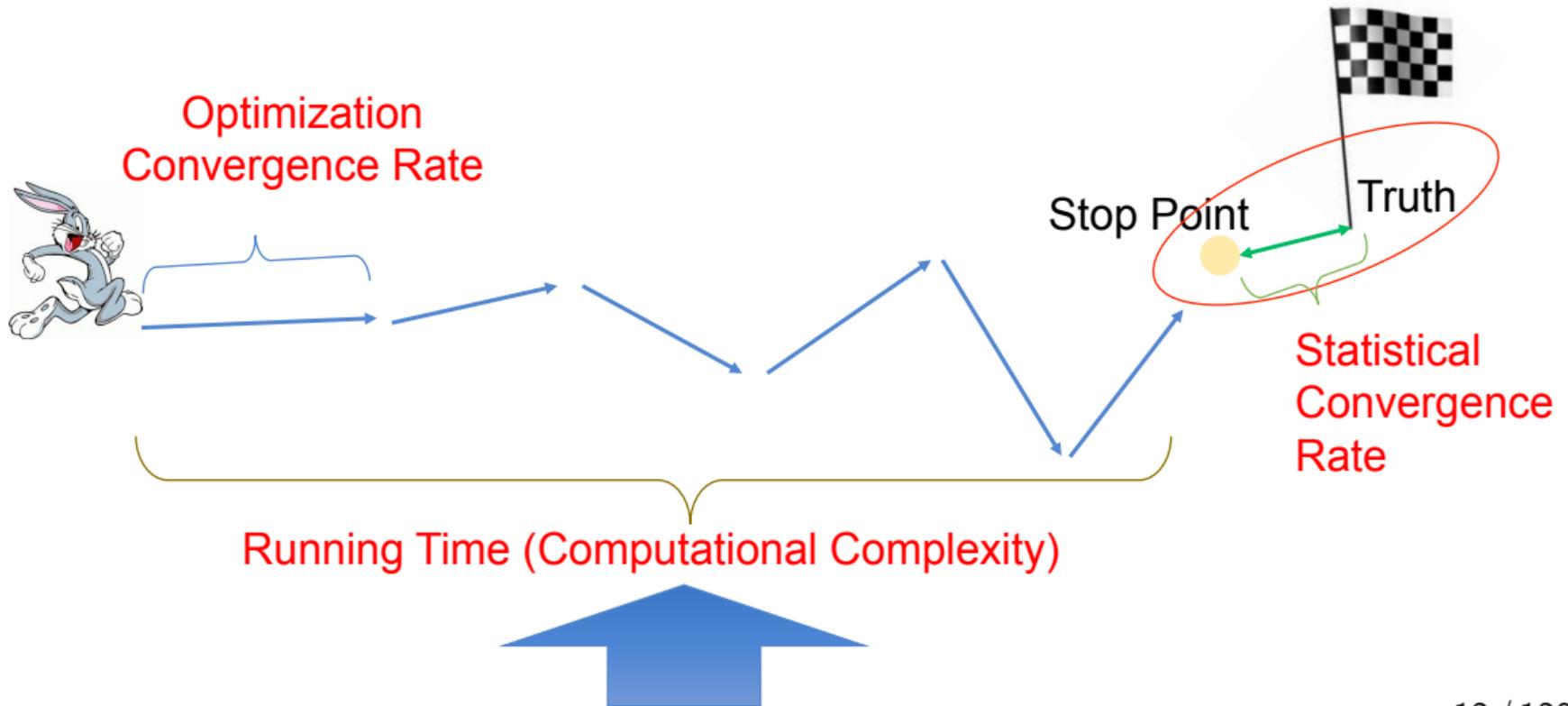
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- Speed:
 - Computational complexity: How fast and efficient your algorithm is with respect to certain parameters, e.g., n and p .
 - Optimization convergence rate : How fast each optimization step moves the estimated parameter, such as linear or quadratic.

Overview Figure of the three major theoretical rates:



Overview Figure of the three rates: Computational Complexity



- The amount of required resources: e.g. running time, memory cost .
- Big O notation: asymptotically tight bound on the running cost.
- For machine learning tasks, mainly relate to n and p

- Some well-known cases:
 - Matrix Multiplication: e.g., $w^T \mathbf{X}$ costs $O(np^2)$
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- How to calculate if estimating parameter θ via iterative optimization?
 - Number of Iteration (depending on optimization convergence rate) \times Computational complexity of each Iteration.
 - e.g., $O(Tp^3)$ if every iteration uses SVD.

Some Notations

X The sample matrix

Σ The covariance matrix.

Ω The precision matrix.

p The number of features (input variables).

n The number of samples in the data matrix.

s The number of non-zero entries in the precision matrix.

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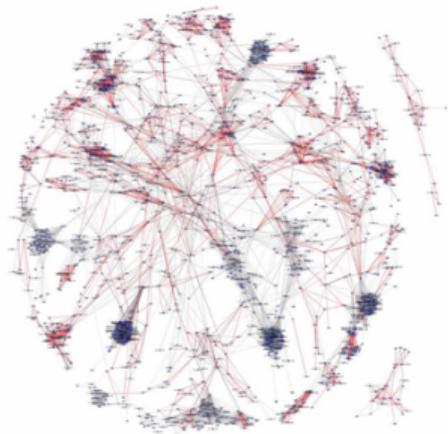
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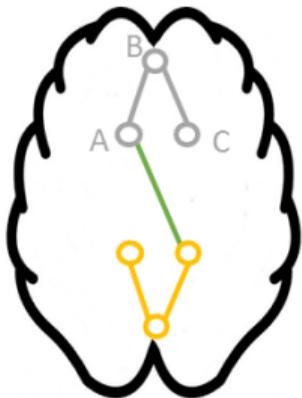
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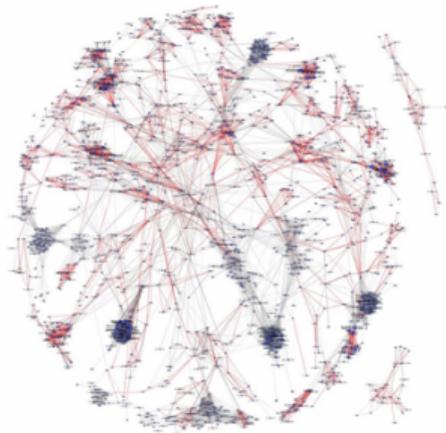
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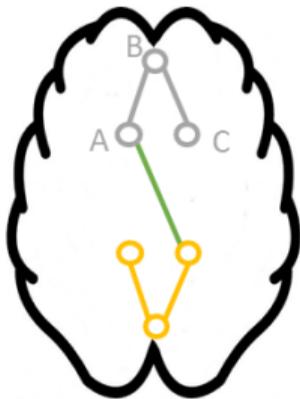
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- Why to study the variable graphs?
 - Understanding
 - Diagnosis, e.g., marker
 - Treatment, e.g., drug development.

Background: What Type of Edges? Correlation to Conditional dependency

A1: Children swim

A2: Weather is hot

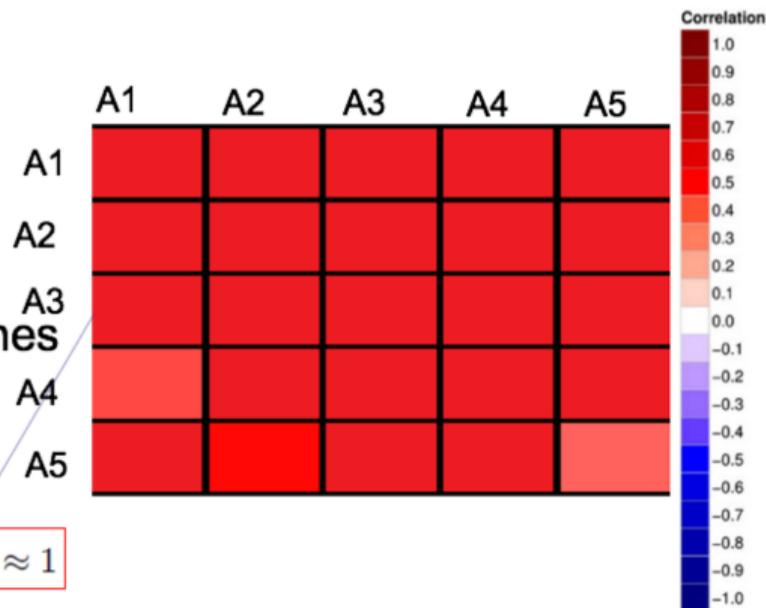
A3: High sale of ice cream

A4: Wear less amount of clothes

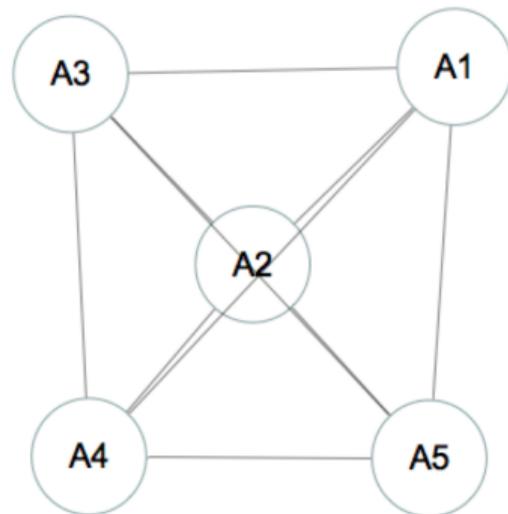
A5: High Electricity

Consumption

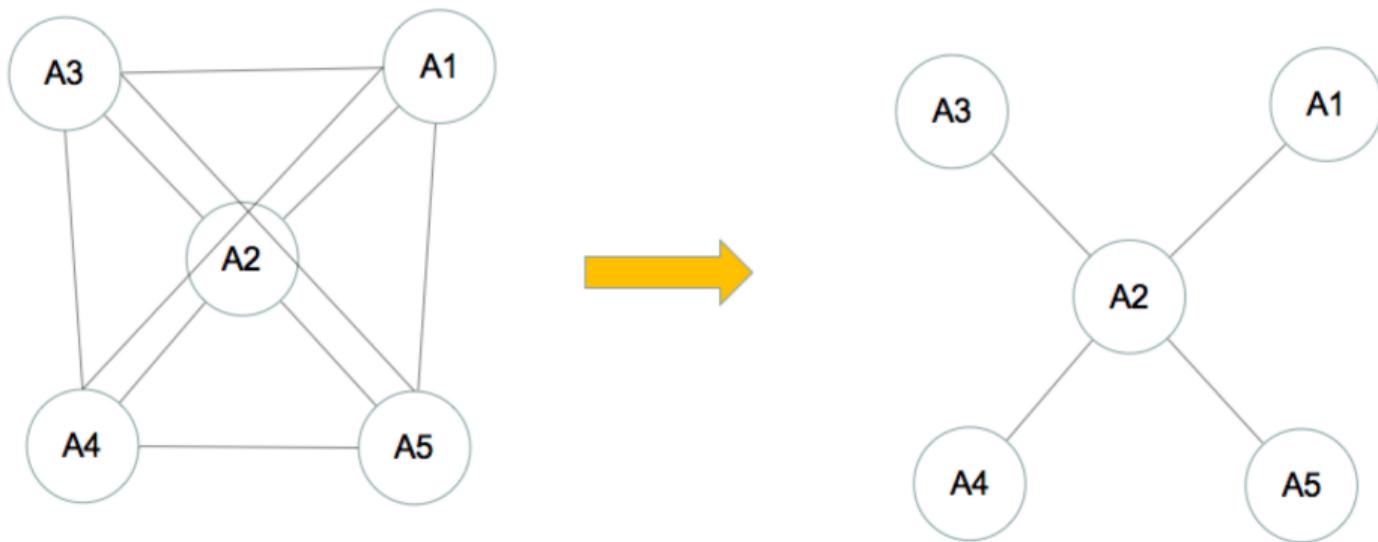
$$\text{Cor}(A_1, A_3) \approx 1$$



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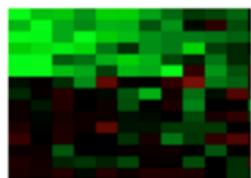
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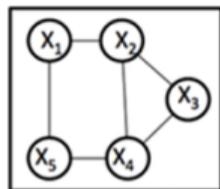
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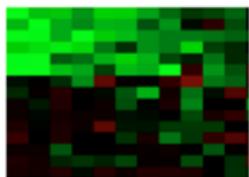


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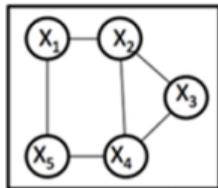


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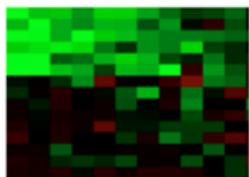
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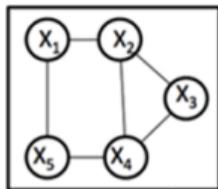
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- when $n \gg p$ (**low-dimensional**, n data samples enough \rightarrow a well estimated conditional dependency graph about p nodes).
- When $p > n$ (**high-dimensional**), need novel and theoretically sound approaches

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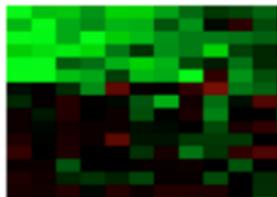
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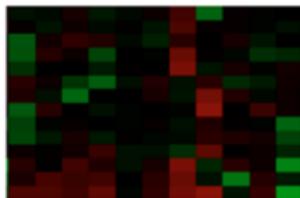
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- Most applications include heterogeneous samples.
- For example:
 - Totally n_{tot} data samples
 - From K different but related contexts, each having n_i data samples, $n_{tot} = \sum n_i$

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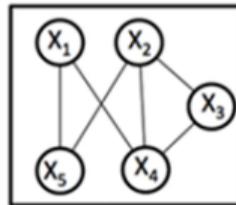
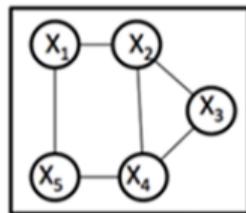
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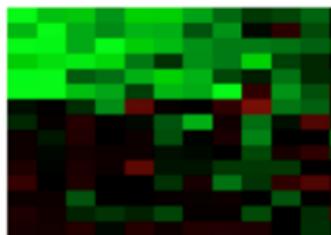


**Machine learning
approach**

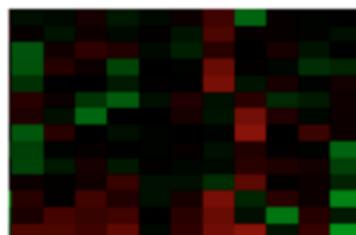


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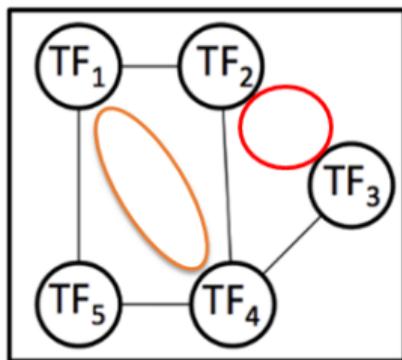
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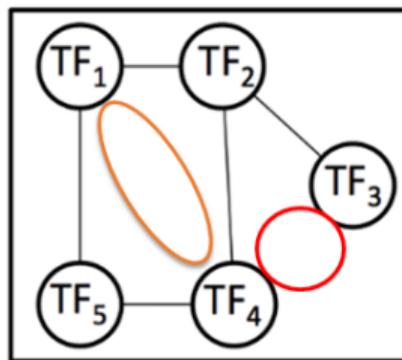
Task I: Learning multiple related graphs

- Learning multiple related graphs
- E.g., TF-TF interactions
 - Three graphs are similar

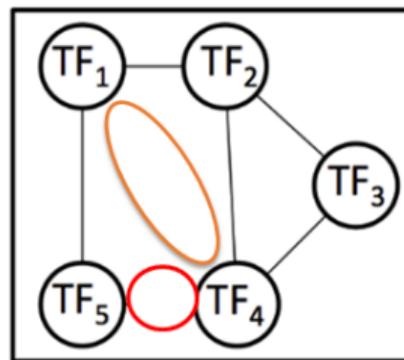
Normal



Leukemia

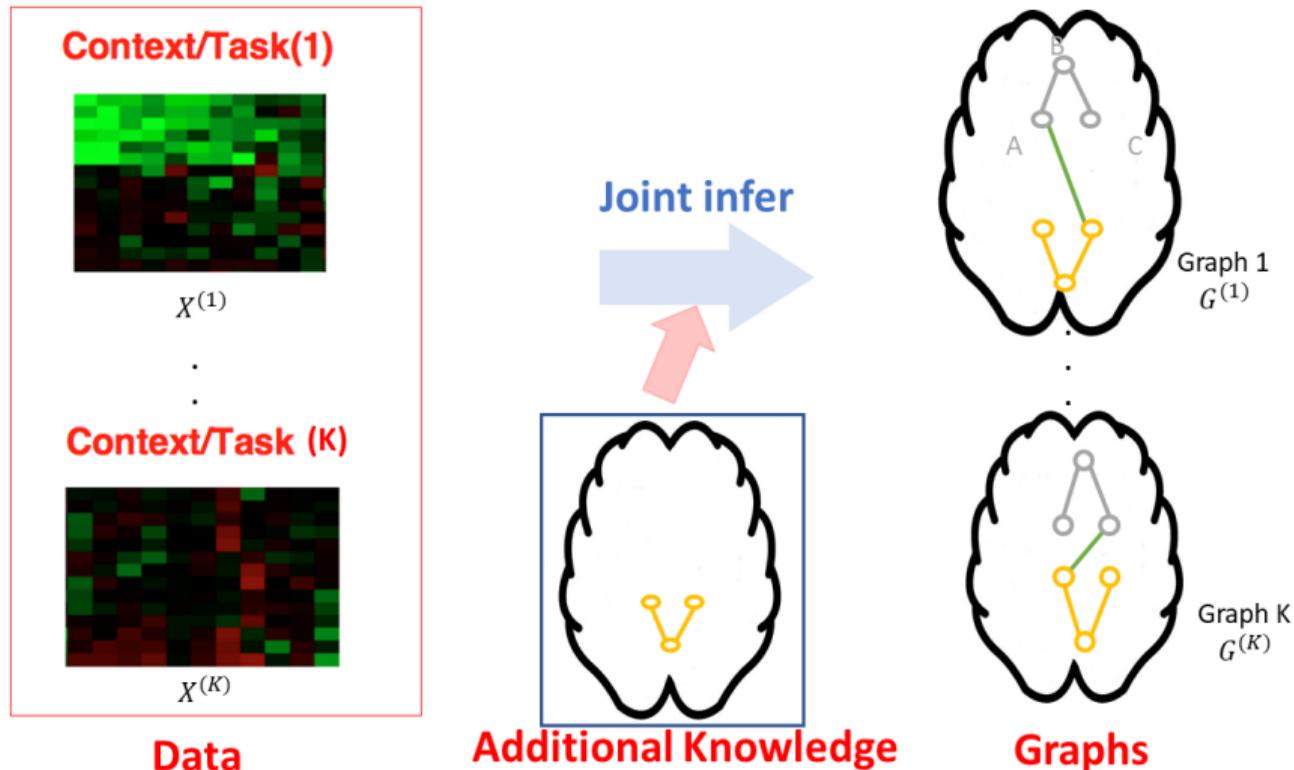


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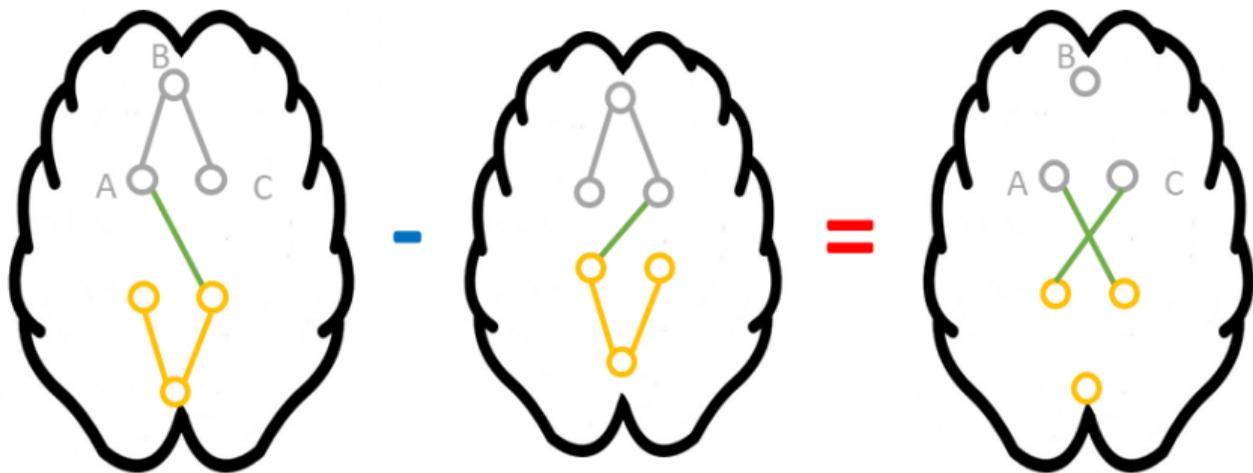


Task II: Integrating additional knowledge

- Integrating known knowledge in Learning multiple related graphs
 - E.g., known knowledge of Brain Connection E.g., known gene pathway knowledge



Task III: Learning sparse changes between two graphs



- A very interesting task:
 - Find differences in the brains of people with diseases, e.g. Autism, Alzheimer's
 - Use for understanding
 - Use for diagnosis

Notations

$X^{(i)}$ i -th Data matrix.

$\Sigma^{(i)}$ i -th Covariance matrix.

$\Omega^{(i)}$ i -th Inverse of covariance matrix (precision matrix).

p The total number of feature variables.

n_{tot} The total number of samples.

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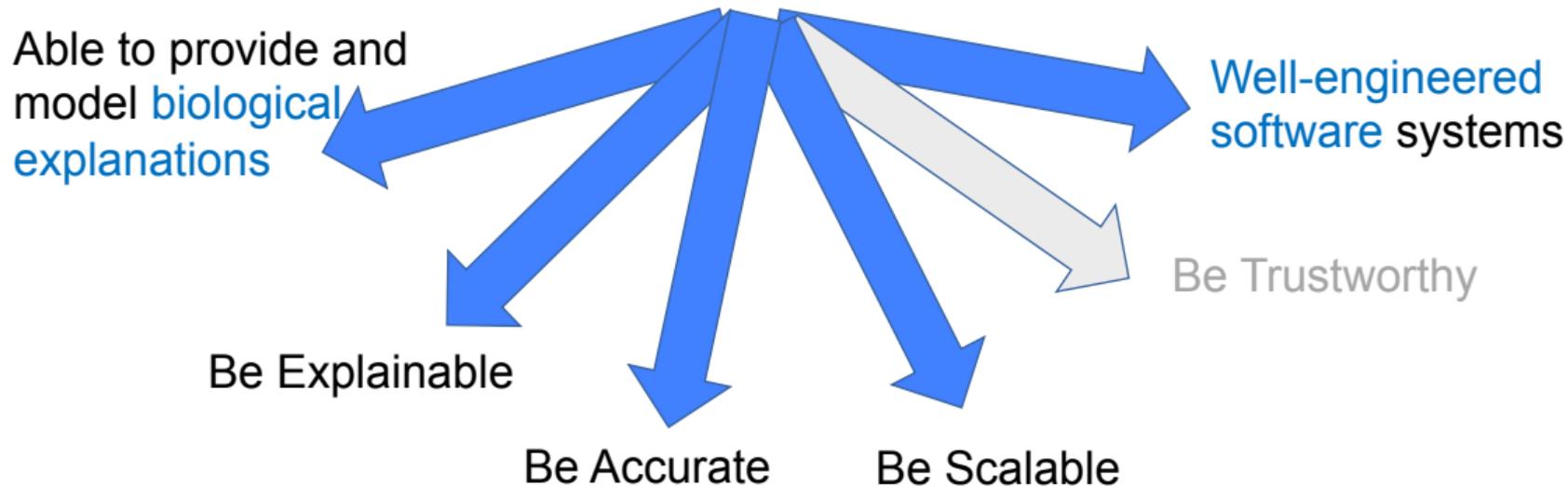
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W_I^{tot} $(W_I^{(1)}, W_I^{(2)}, \dots, W_I^{(K)})$

W_S^{tot} (W_S, W_S, \dots, W_S)

K The total number of contexts.

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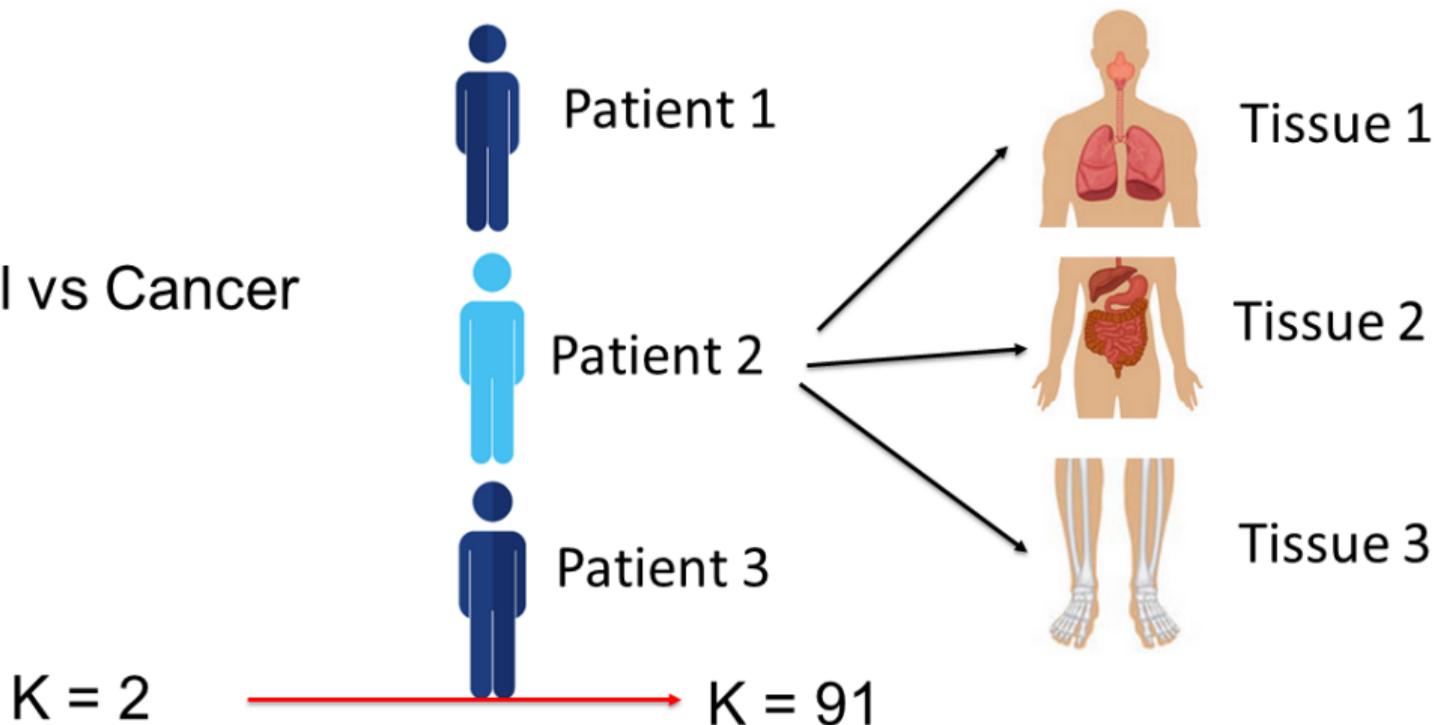
Computational Challenges: More Num of features (p) to consider

- Yeast gene: 6K
↓
Human gene: 30K
- Words interaction, millions of words
($p > 1,000,000$)



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Normal vs Cancer



ENCODE Project Consortium et al. An integrated encyclopedia of dna elements in the human genome. *Nature*, 489(7414):57–74, 2012.

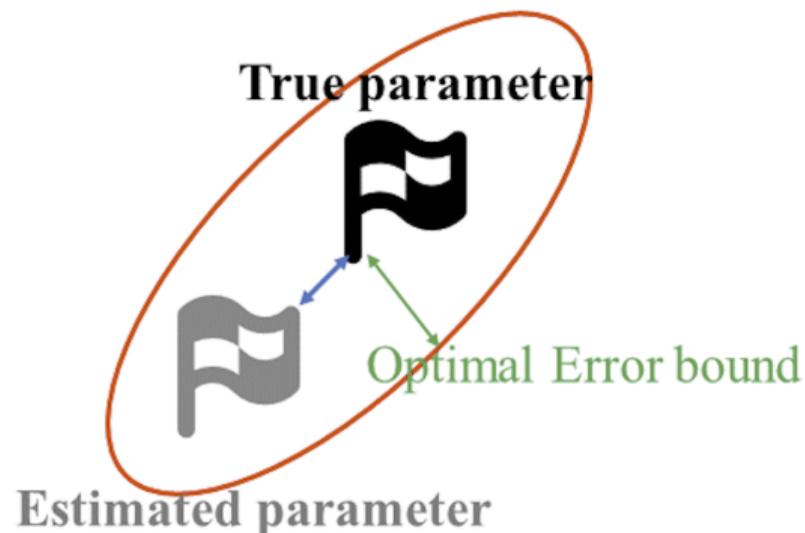
Why do we care computational complexity?

Estimators	JGL	WSIMULE
Computational complexity	$O(Kp^3)$ / iter	$O(K^4p^5)$
Bottle neck	SVD	Linear programming

When $K = 91$, $p = 30K$	JGL	WSIMULE
Time	3.5 days / iter	years

Computational Challenges and Theoretical Soundness

- For large-scale cases, we need to design $O(p^2)$ methods, and consider parallelization computer architectures!!!
- At the same time, no sacrifices of the accuracy, e.g., same level of $\|\hat{\theta} - \theta^*\|$;



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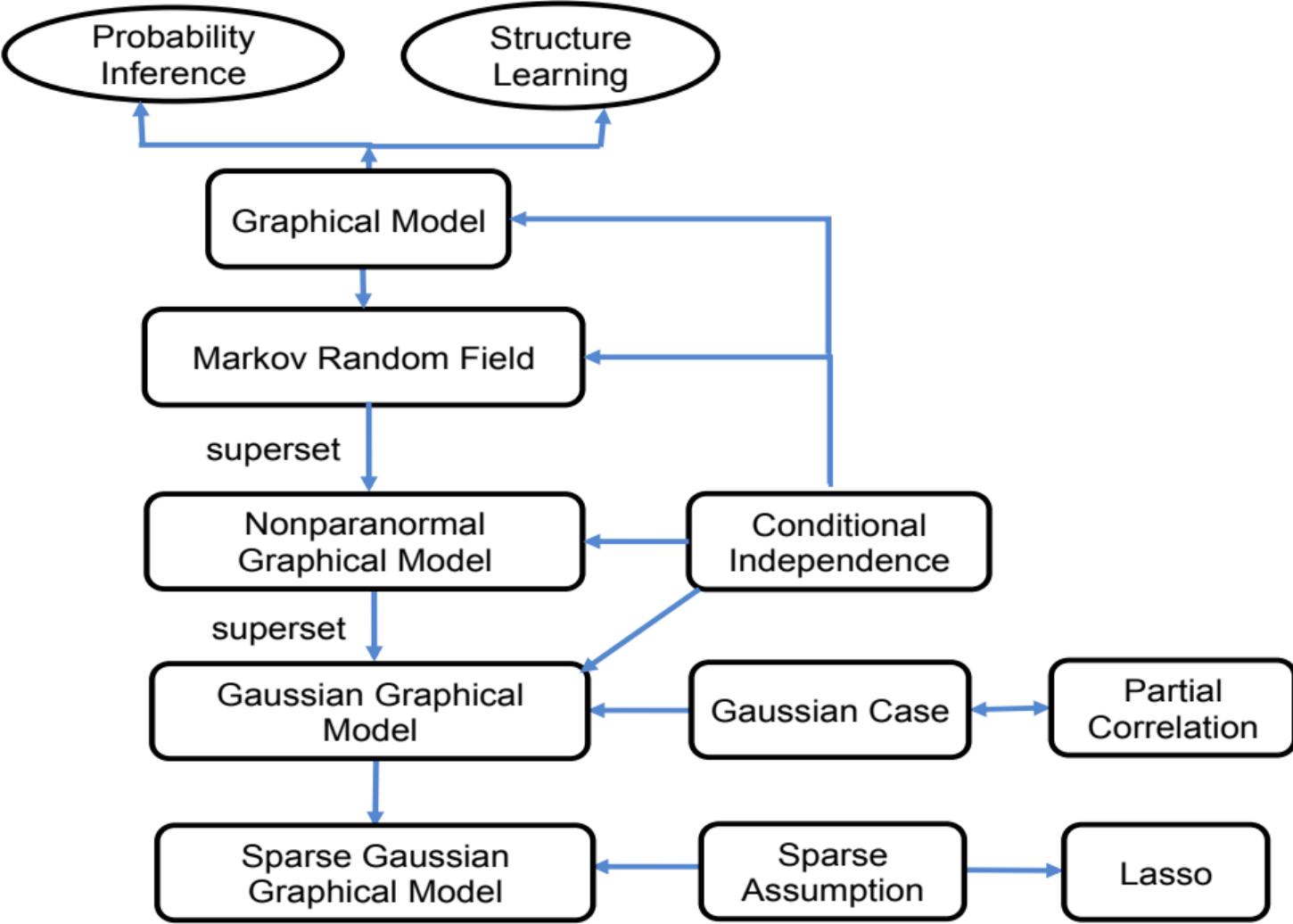
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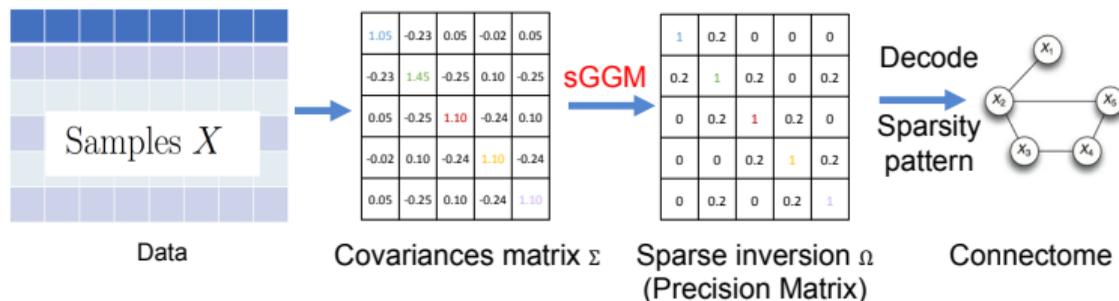
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- In the Gaussian case, the conditional dependence and partial correlation structure are equivalent.
- This pairwise relationship can be naturally described via a graph $G = (V, E)$.
- Undirected Gaussian Graphical Model, Undirected nonparanormal Graphical model, Markov random field;

Two main tasks for Graphical Models:

- **Probability Inference:** estimate joint probability, marginal probability, and conditional probability.
- **Structure learning:** Give dataset \mathbf{X} , learn the Graph structure from \mathbf{X} (i.e., learn the edge patterns between variables).

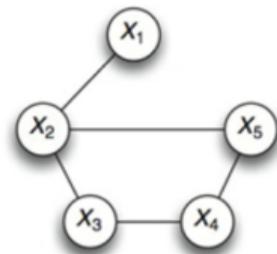


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- $X \sim N(\mu, \Sigma)$.

Inverse Covariance Matrix

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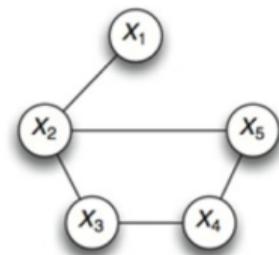


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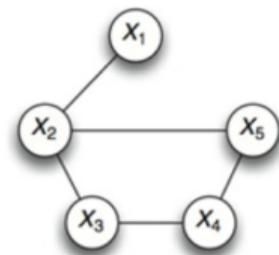


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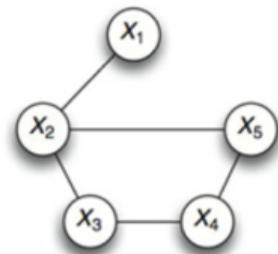


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- For example,

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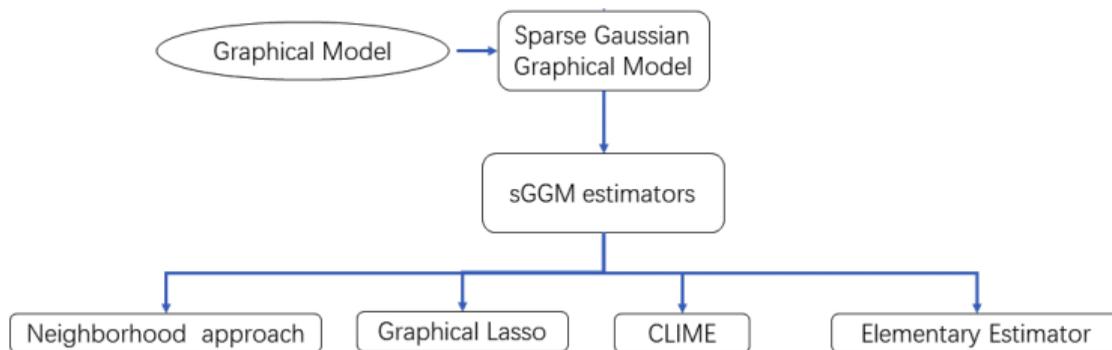
- Traditionally, we estimate sGGM from samples (of a single task) using an ℓ_1 penalized MLE formulation.

Graphical Lasso

[Friedman et al.(2008)Friedman, Hastie, and Tibshirani]

$$\operatorname{argmin}_{\Omega} -\ln \det(\Omega) + \operatorname{tr}\left(\Omega \widehat{\Sigma}\right) + \lambda_n \|\Omega\|_1 \quad (2.1)$$

Four kinds of Estimators for Estimating sGGM from Data



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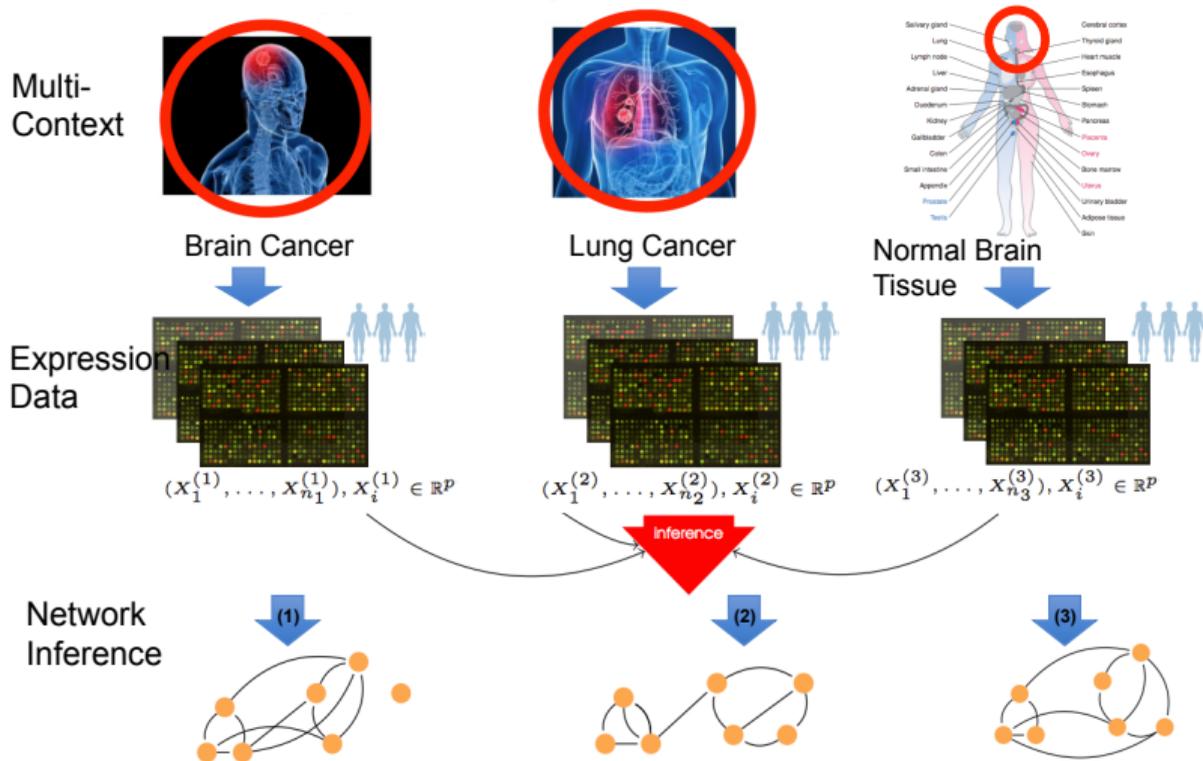
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Task I: Joint structure learning of Related Graph Structures from Multiple Related Datasets



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- For example, **fused norm** to push graphs similar:
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Multi-task sGGMs estimators through JGL framework:

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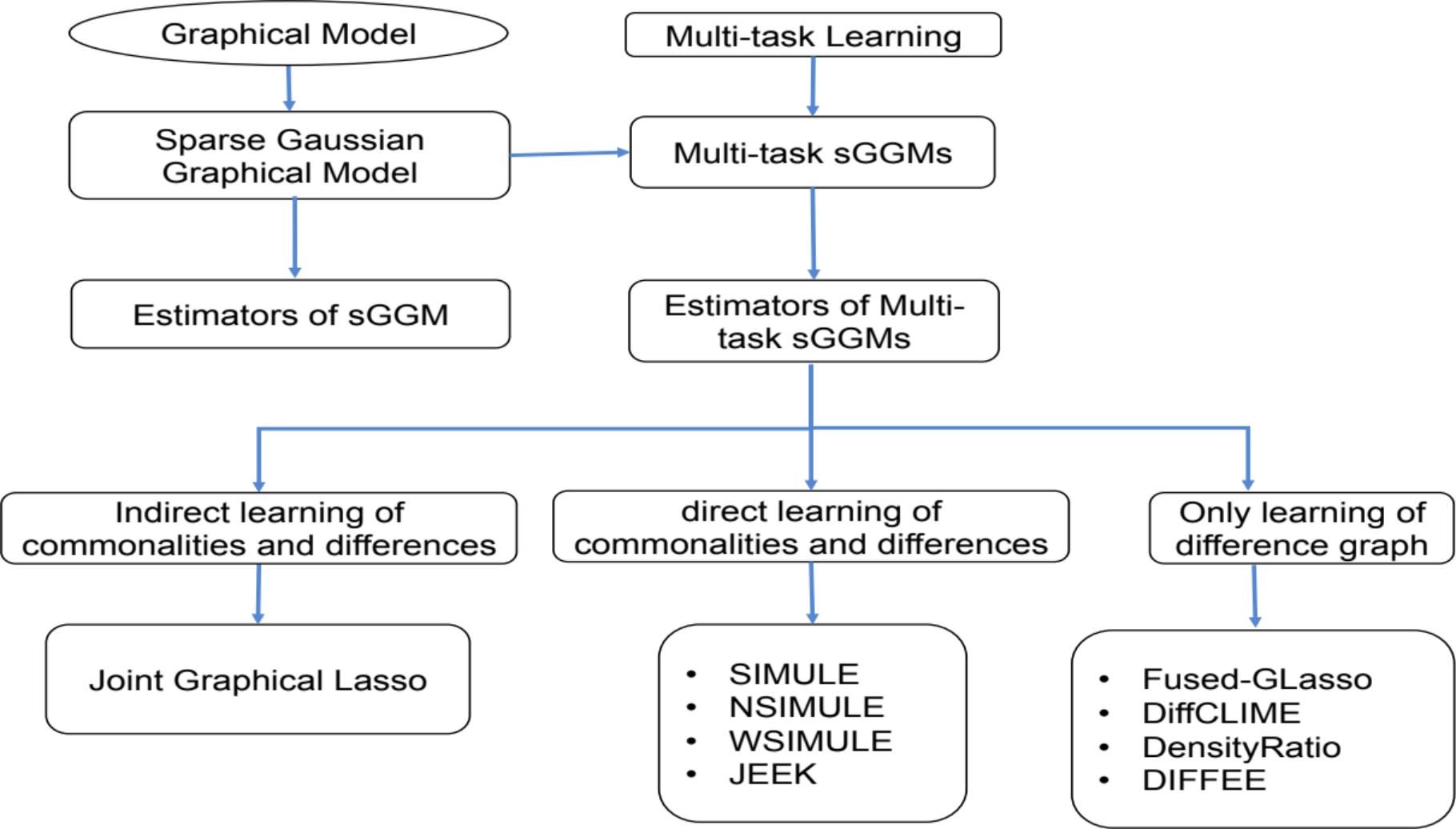
$$P(\Omega^{(1)}, \Omega^{(2)}, \dots, \Omega^{(K)}) = \|\Omega^{(1)}, \Omega^{(2)}, \dots, \Omega^{(K)}\|_{\mathcal{G}, 2}.$$

SIMONE [Chiquet et al. (2011) Chiquet, Grandvalet, and Ambroise]

$$P(\Omega^{(1)}, \Omega^{(2)}, \dots, \Omega^{(K)}) = \sum_{i \neq j} \left(\left(\sum_{k=1}^T (\Omega_{ij}^{(k)})_+^2 \right) \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} + \left(\left(\sum_{k=1}^K (-\Omega_{ij}^{(k)})_+^2 \right) \right)^{\frac{1}{2}}.$$

Node JGL [Mohan et al. (2013) Mohan, London, Fazel, Lee, and Witten]

$$P(\Omega^{(1)}, \Omega^{(2)}, \dots, \Omega^{(K)}) = \sum_{ij, i > j} RCON(\Omega^{(i)} - \Omega^{(j)}).$$



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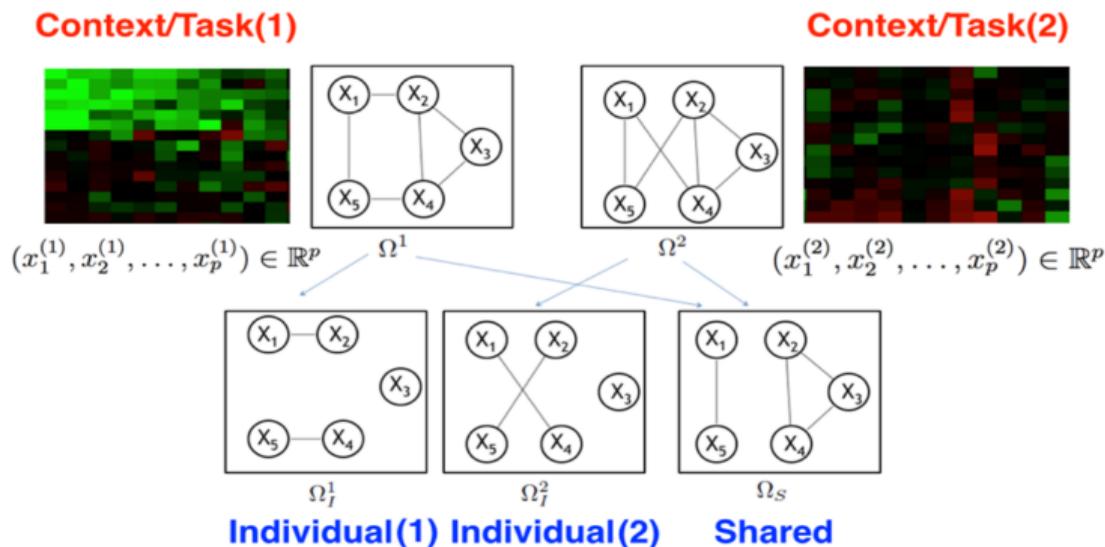
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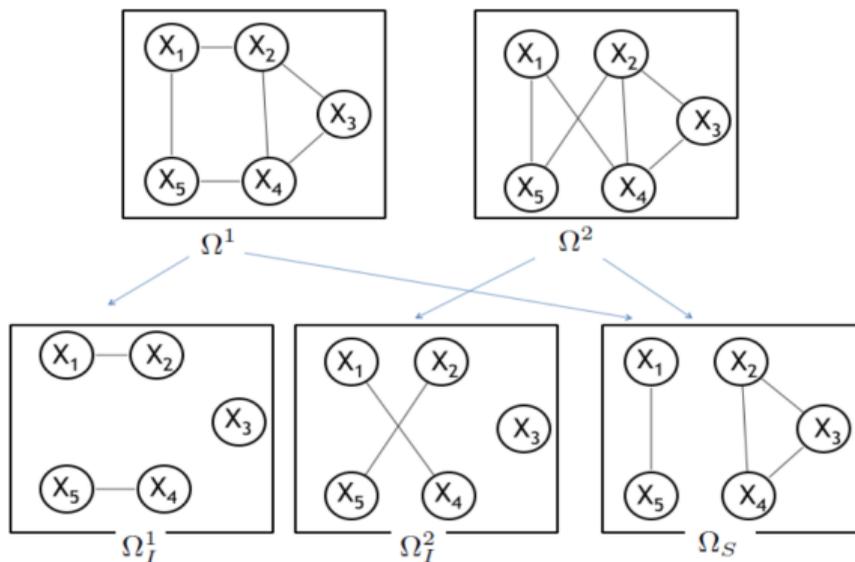
- Main Task: How to estimate / learn **shared** (Ω_S) and **task-specific** ($\Omega_i^{(i)}$) graph structures among feature variables from multiple **different** but **related** datasets about the same set of features.
- Get to know both: House keeping interactions and Context-specific networks



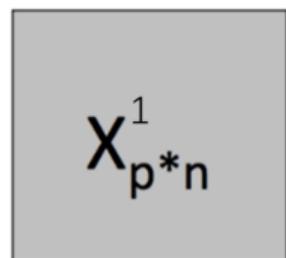
Method: "SIMULE" Formulation

We model each task's precision matrix $\Omega^{(i)}$ as a sum of task-specific $\Omega_j^{(i)}$ and task-shared Ω_S :

$$\Omega^{(i)} = \Omega_j^{(i)} + \Omega_S \quad (2.3)$$

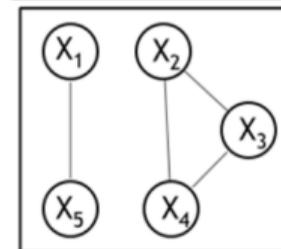
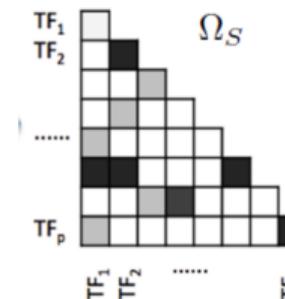
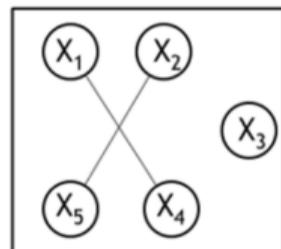
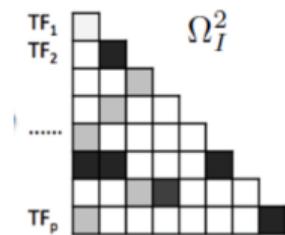
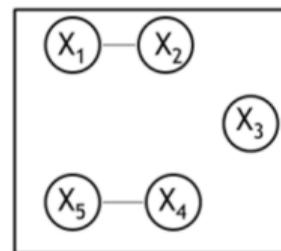
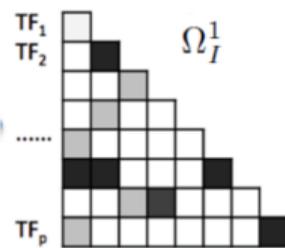


SIMULE method: Overview Figure



$$\Sigma = \text{Cov}(X) =$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \sigma_{11} & \sigma_{12} & \dots & \sigma_{1n} \\ \sigma_{21} & \sigma_{22} & \dots & \sigma_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \sigma_{n1} & \sigma_{n2} & \dots & \sigma_{nn} \end{bmatrix}$$



SIMULE model aims to have the following properties:

- It estimates the shared and task-specific graph patterns **explicitly** and simultaneously.
- It can **control** the estimation of shared versus the task-specific patterns.
- It provides a strong **theoretical guarantee**.
- It achieves **good empirical** performance.

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SIMULE: to Infer Shared and Individual Parts of MUltiple sGGM Explicitly

- By using a constrained ℓ_1 minimization formulation, estimator SIMULE can **jointly learn multiple graphs** from multiple **different** but **related** sample datasets (on the same set of feature variables).
- Optimization: Column-wise **parallelizable**;

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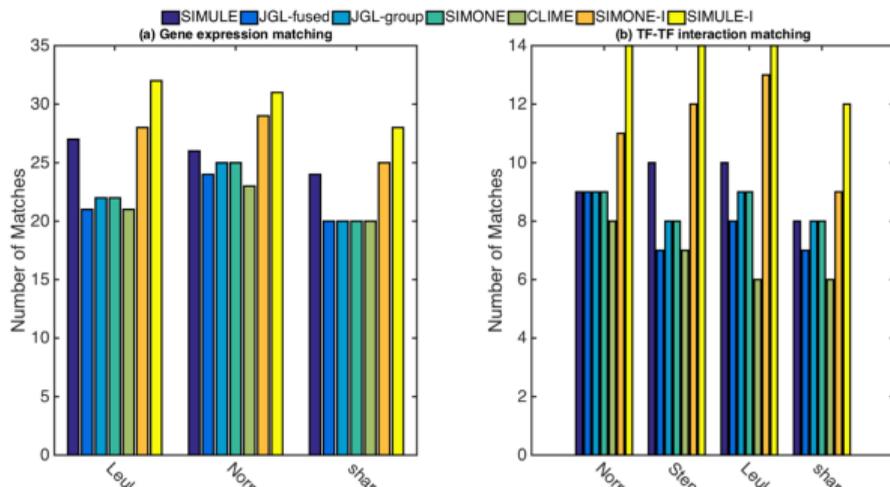
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- This indicates that the multi-task estimator is better!!!

Results on Two Real-World Datasets: Number of Matched Edges versus the Existing Domain Databases

- Two real world datasets:
 - (1) Gene expressions of samples in 2 different cell types
 - (2) Transcription Factors' ENCODE ChIP-seq measurements across 3 different cell lines
- Validation by counting the overlapped interactions according to the existing bio-databases (MInact). figure
- Our methods obtain the most matches compared to the state-of-the-art baselines.



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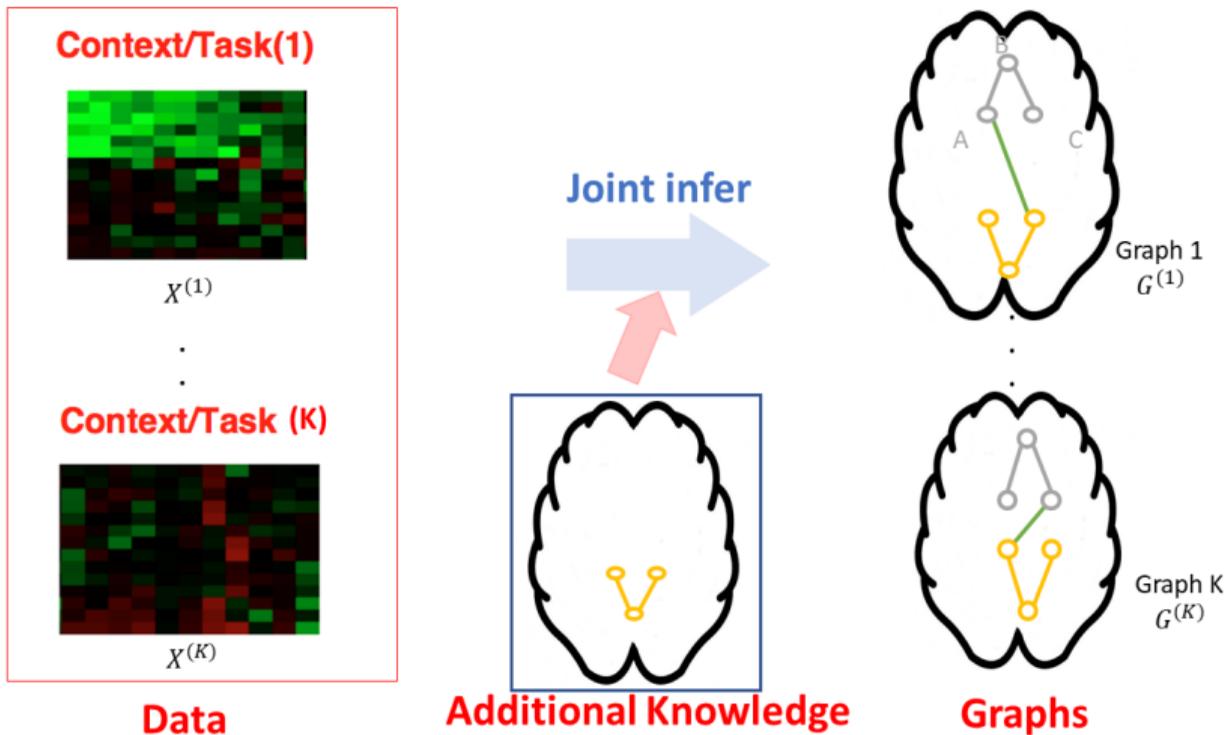
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Task II: Integrating additional knowledge

- Many additional knowledge exist beyond samples when Joint structure learning;
- E.g., known prior knowledge about Brain Connection



Solution: Using Knowledge as Weight in Regularization (KW-norm)

- Integrating additional knowledge through a novel regularization function $\mathcal{R}(\cdot)$

KW-norm

$$\mathcal{R}(\{\Omega^{(i)}\}) = \sum_{i=1}^K \|W_I^{(i)} \circ \Omega_I^{(i)}\|_1 + \sum_{i=1}^K \|W_S \circ \Omega_S\|_1 \quad (2.6)$$

- $\Omega^{(i)} = \Omega_I^{(i)} + \Omega_S$
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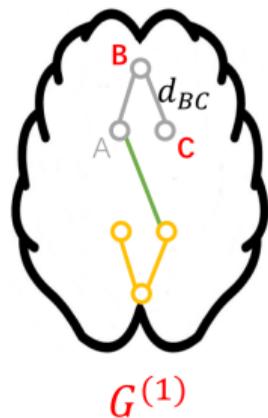
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Example I: KW-norm representing the edge-level knowledge

- e.g., Spatial distance among brain regions;

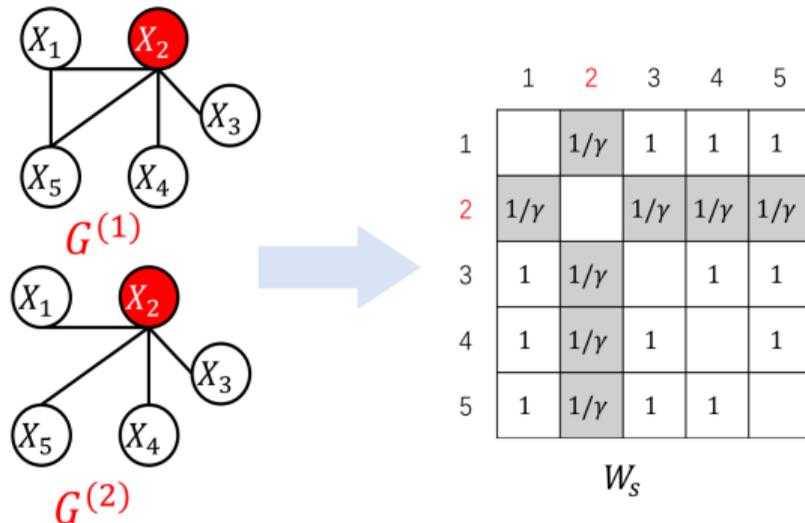


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B			d_{BC}	
C		d_{BC}		
...				

$W_I^{(1)}$

Example II: KW-norm describing the node-level knowledge

- e.g., X_2 is a known hub node;



WSIMULE: A weighted SIMULE estimator

SIMULE

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- ADD $W_I^{(i)}, W_S$



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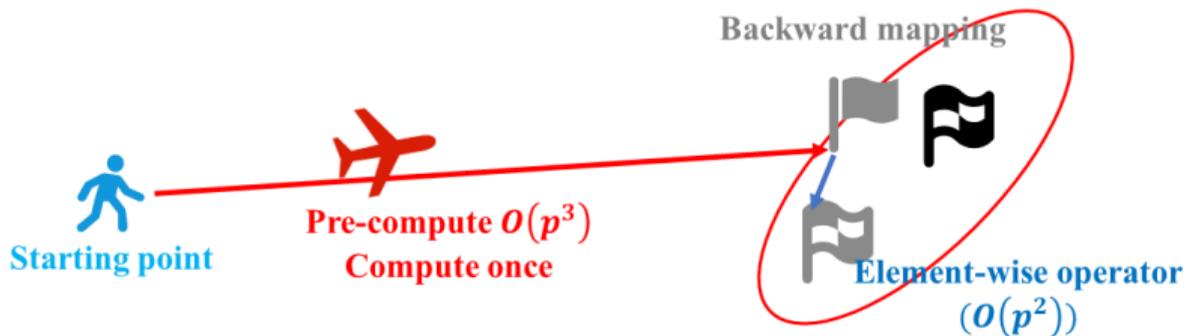
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Background: Elementary Estimator (EE) for joint sGGMs tasks



- Previous studies:
- Elementary Estimator:



Elementary Estimator

$$\begin{aligned} & \underset{\theta}{\operatorname{argmin}} \mathcal{R}(\theta) \\ & \text{Subject to: } \mathcal{R}^*(\theta - \mathcal{B}^*(\hat{\phi})) \leq \lambda_n \end{aligned} \tag{2.9}$$

+

KW-norm

$$\mathcal{R}(\Omega^{tot}) = \|W_I^{tot} \circ \Omega_I^{tot}\|_1 + \|W_S^{tot} \circ \Omega_S^{tot}\|_1 \tag{2.10}$$

JEEK Method: Joint Elementary Estimator incorporating additional Knowledge (JEEK)

EE	$\mathcal{R}(\cdot)$	θ	$\hat{\theta}_n$	$\mathcal{R}^*(\cdot)$
EE-sGGM	$\ \cdot\ _1$	Ω	$[T_v(\hat{\Sigma})]^{-1}$	$\ \cdot\ _\infty$
JEEK	kw-norm	Ω^{tot}	$inv[T_v(\hat{\Sigma}^{tot})]$	kw-dual

JEEK

$$\operatorname{argmin}_{\Omega_I^{tot}, \Omega_S^{tot}} \|W_I^{tot} \circ \Omega_I^{tot}\|_1 + \|W_S^{tot} \circ \Omega_S^{tot}\|$$

$$?? \text{ Subject to: } \left\| \frac{1}{W_I^{tot}} \circ (\Omega^{tot} - inv(T_v(\hat{\Sigma}^{tot}))) \right\|_\infty \leq \lambda_n \quad (2.11)$$

$$\left\| \frac{1}{W_S^{tot}} \circ (\Omega^{tot} - inv(T_v(\hat{\Sigma}^{tot}))) \right\|_\infty \leq \lambda_n$$

- Fast and Scalable solution¹ – p^2 small linear programming subproblems with only $K + 1$ variables:

$$\begin{aligned} & \operatorname{argmin}_{a_i, b} \sum_i |w_i a_i| + K |w_s b| \\ & \text{Subject to: } |a_i + b - c_i| \leq \frac{\lambda_n}{\min(w_i, w_s)}, \\ & \quad i = 1, \dots, K \end{aligned} \tag{2.12}$$

¹ $a_i := \Omega_{j,k}^{(i)}$ (the $\{j, k\}$ -th entry of $\Omega^{(i)}$)

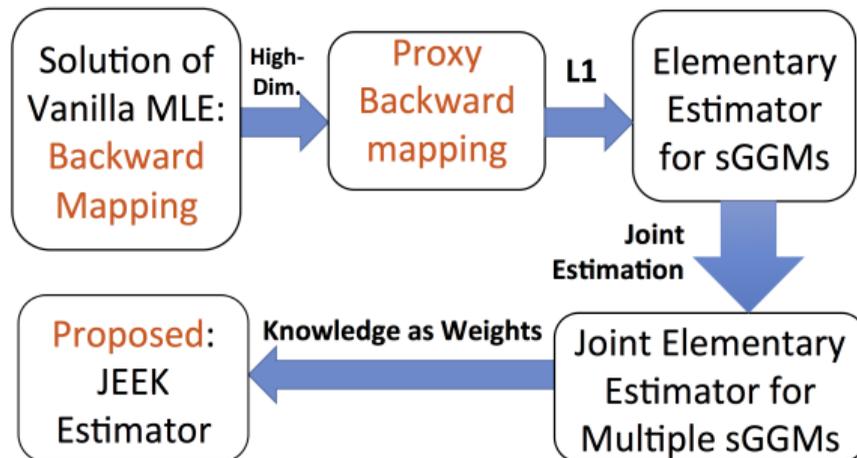
$b := \Omega_{S_{j,k}}$

$c_i = [T_v(\widehat{\Sigma}^{(i)})]_{j,k}^{-1}$.

$W_{j,k}^{(i)} = w_i$ and $W_{j,k}^S = w_s$.

Why JEEK is better

- Rich and flexible for integrating additional knowledge
 - e.g., spatial, anatomy, hub, pathway, location, known edges;
- Parallelizable optimization with small sub-problems.
- Theoretical guaranteed



Theoretical Results: Sharp convergence rate

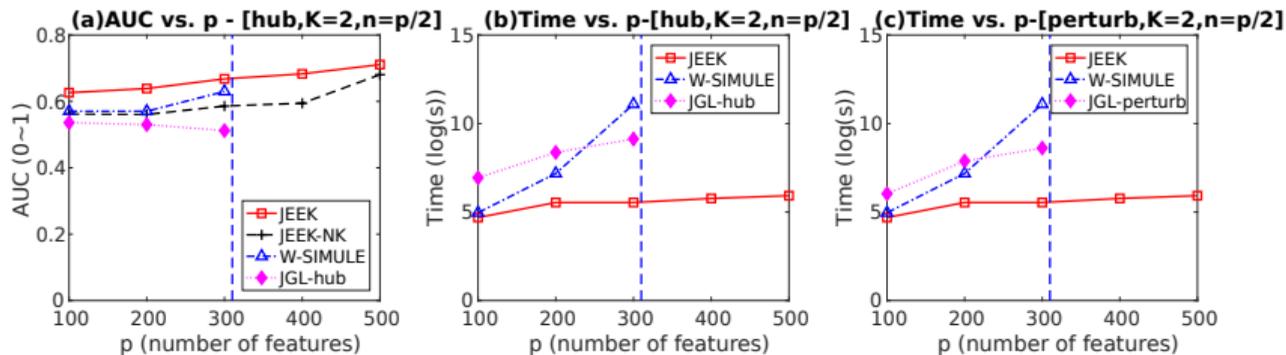
- Sharp convergence rate as the state-of-art

$$\begin{aligned}\|\widehat{\Omega}^{tot} - \Omega^{tot*}\|_F &\leq 4\sqrt{k_i + k_s}\lambda_n \\ \max(\|W_I^{tot} \circ (\widehat{\Omega}^{tot} - \Omega^{tot*})\|_\infty, \|W_S^{tot} \circ (\widehat{\Omega}^{tot} - \Omega^{tot*})\|_\infty) &\leq 2\lambda_n \\ \|W_I^{tot} \circ (\widehat{\Omega}_I^{tot} - \Omega_I^{tot*})\|_1 + \|W_S^{tot} \circ (\widehat{\Omega}_S^{tot} - \Omega_S^{tot*})\|_1 &\leq 8(k_i + k_s)\lambda_n\end{aligned}\tag{2.13}$$

Where a , c , κ_1 and κ_2 are constants

$$\begin{aligned}\|\widehat{\Omega}^{tot} - \Omega^{tot*}\|_F \\ \leq \frac{16\kappa_1 a \max_{j,k}(W_I^{tot}_{j,k}, W_S^{tot}_{j,k})}{\kappa_2} \sqrt{\frac{(k_i + k_s) \log(Kp)}{n_{tot}}}\end{aligned}\tag{2.14}$$

Empirical Results on Multiple Synthetic Datasets



- **JEEK** outperforms the speed of the state-of-arts significantly ($\sim 5000\times$ faster);
- **JEEK** obtains better AUC as the state-of-the-art;
- **JEEK** obtains better AUC than JEEK-NK (no additional knowledge).

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Task III: To Learn Differential Network from two Datasets

- Focus: How to **directly** estimate / learn **Differential Network (Δ)** from Two datasets (\mathbf{X}_c , \mathbf{X}_d) about the same set of features **in a large scale**.

Sparsity Assumption:

Estimating the Difference by separately Learning Two Graphs from two datasets has Limitations

- If estimating two graphs separately, we need to enforce sparsity assumption on both graphs
- However, in some real-world applications, G_c, G_d are not sparse.

Fused GLasso

By adding a regularization to enforce the sparsity of $\Delta = \Omega_c - \Omega_d$, we have the following formulation:

$$\operatorname{argmin}_{\Omega_c, \Omega_d \succ 0, \Delta} \mathcal{L}(\Omega_c) + \mathcal{L}(\Omega_d) \lambda_n (\|\Omega_c\|_1 + \|\Omega_d\|_1) + \lambda_2 \|\Delta\|_1 \quad (2.15)$$

The Fused Lasso assumes $\Omega_{case}, \Omega_{control}, \Delta$. However, many real world applications, like brain imaging data, only assume the differential network Δ is sparse.

A recent study proposes the following model, which only assume the sparsity of Δ .

Differential CLIME

$$\begin{aligned} & \underset{\Delta}{\operatorname{argmin}} \|\Delta\|_1 \\ & \text{Subject to: } \|\widehat{\Sigma}_c \Delta \widehat{\Sigma}_d - (\widehat{\Sigma}_c - \widehat{\Sigma}_d)\|_\infty \leq \lambda_n \end{aligned} \tag{2.16}$$

However, this method is solved by a linear programming. It has p^2 variables in this method. Therefore, the time complexity is at least $O(p^8)$. In practice, it takes more than 2 days to finish running the method when $p = 120$.

Direct modeling the differential networks III: Density Ratio

The above methods all make the Gaussian assumption. This method relaxes the model to the exponential family distribution.

Density Ratio

$$\frac{p_c(x, \theta_c)}{p_d(x, \theta_d)} \propto \exp\left(\sum_t \Delta_t f_t(x)\right) \quad (2.17)$$

Here Δ_t encodes the difference between two Networks for factor f_t .

Density Ratio

$$r(x; \theta) = \frac{1}{N(\theta)} \exp\left(\sum_t \Delta_t f_t(x)\right) \quad (2.18)$$

Here Δ_t encodes the difference between two Networks for factor f_t . $N(\theta)$ is a normalization term.

Density Ratio for Markov Random Field

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{p}(x) &= p_d(x)r(x; \theta) \\ \text{KL}[p_c || \hat{p}] &= \text{Const.} - \int p_c(x) \log r(x; \theta) dx. \end{aligned} \tag{2.19}$$

DIFFEE: Large Scale Differential sGGM via EE

Elementary Estimator (EE)

$$\begin{aligned} & \underset{\theta}{\operatorname{argmin}} \mathcal{R}(\theta) \\ & \text{Subject to: } \mathcal{R}^*(\theta - \mathcal{B}^*(\hat{\phi})) \leq \lambda_n \end{aligned} \tag{2.22}$$

EE	$\mathcal{R}(\cdot)$	θ	$\hat{\theta}_n$	$\mathcal{R}^*(\cdot)$
EE-sGGM	$\ \cdot\ _1$	Ω	$[T_v(\hat{\Sigma})]^{-1}$	$\ \cdot\ _\infty$
DIFFEE	$\ \cdot\ _1$	Δ	$\left([T_v(\hat{\Sigma}_d)]^{-1} - [T_v(\hat{\Sigma}_c)]^{-1}\right)$	$\ \cdot\ _\infty$

DIFFEE

$$\begin{aligned} & \underset{\Delta}{\operatorname{argmin}} \|\Delta\|_1 \\ & \text{Subject to: } \|\Delta - \left([T_v(\hat{\Sigma}_d)]^{-1} - [T_v(\hat{\Sigma}_c)]^{-1}\right)\|_\infty \leq \lambda_n \end{aligned} \tag{2.23}$$

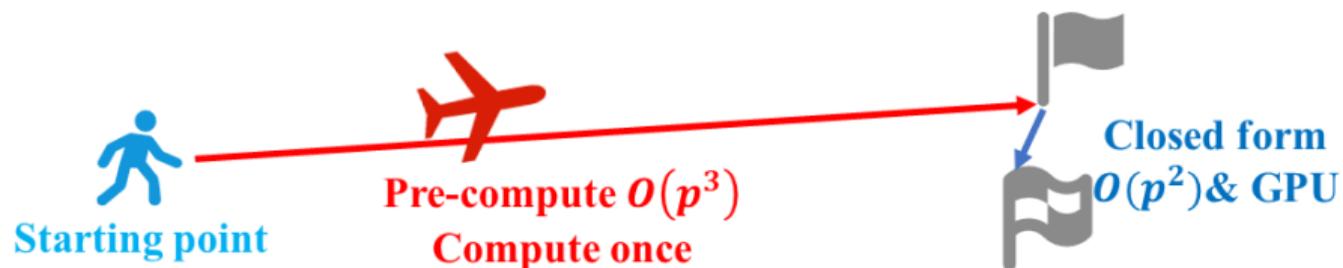
DIFFEE: Optimization Solution

- Close form

$$\hat{\Delta} = S_{\lambda_n}([T_v(\hat{\Sigma}_d)]^{-1} - [T_v(\hat{\Sigma}_c)]^{-1}) \quad (2.24)$$

$$[S_\lambda(A)]_{ij} = \text{sign}(A_{ij}) \max(|A_{ij}| - \lambda, 0) \quad (2.25)$$

- GPU-parallelizable



Computational Complexity of DIFFEE:

- It has closed-form solution.
- It is faster than the previous studies:

DIFFEE	FusedGLasso	Density Ratio	Diff-CLIME
$O(p^3)$	$O(T * p^3)$	$O((n_c + p^2)^3)$	$O(p^8)$

- $O(p^2)$ to tune different λ_n
- Theoretical guaranteed

Theoretical Results: Statistical Convergence Rate

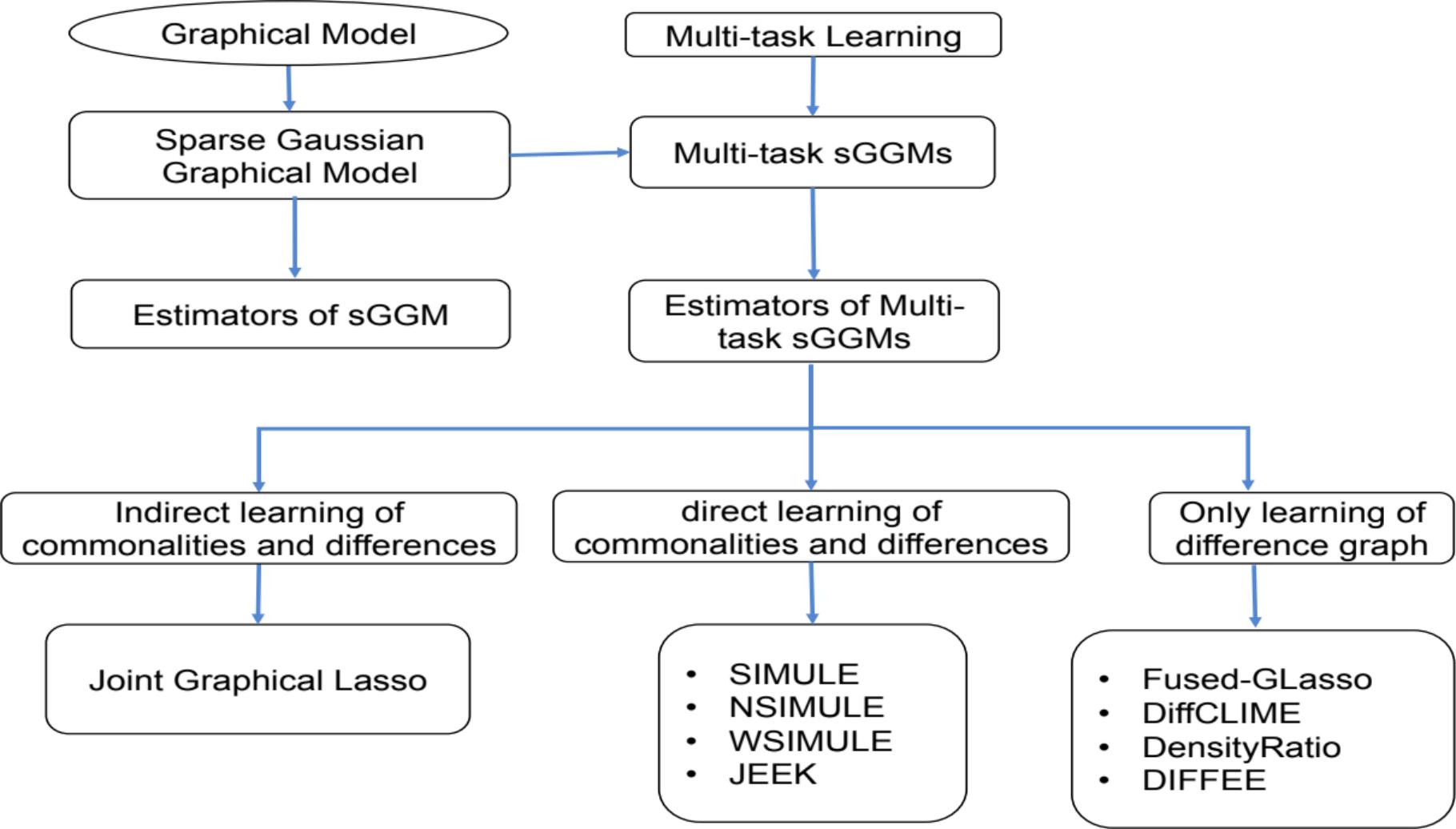
- error bound: $\|\Delta^* - \hat{\Delta}\|$
- DIFFEE achieves similar error bound as the previous studies.

DIFFEE	FusedGLasso	Density Ratio	Diff-CLIME
$\frac{\log p}{\min(n_c, n_d)}$	<i>N/A</i>	$\frac{\log p}{\min(n_c, n_d)}$	$\frac{\log p}{\min(n_c, n_d)}$

Empirical Results on fMRI Datasets: the Classification Accuracy

- (1) ABIDE dataset
- (2) Train the differential network and use it as the parameter of a LDA classifier

Method	DIFFEE	FusedGLasso	Diff-CLIME
Accuracy (%)	57.58%	56.90%	53.79%

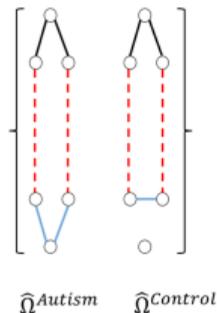


Recap: Time line of tools jointnets.org

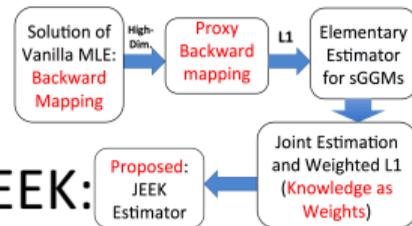
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JEEK:



2015

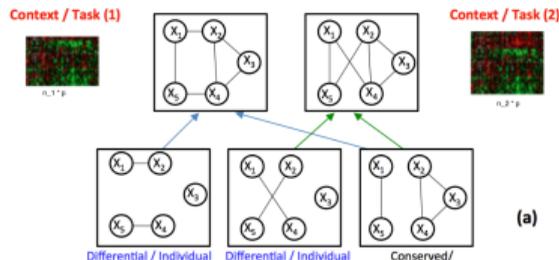
2016

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SIMULE:



DIFFEE:



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Add Knowledge in DIFFEE

Related Publications:

- JEEK
 - A Fast and Scalable Joint Estimator for Integrating Additional Knowledge in Learning Multiple Related Sparse Gaussian Graphical Models, B Wang, A Sekhon, Y Qi, ICML 2018
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 - Fast and Scalable Learning of Sparse Changes in High-Dimensional Gaussian Graphical Model Structure, B Wang, A Sekhon, Y Qi, AISTATS 2018
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 - A Constrained, Weighted-L1 Minimization Approach for Joint Discovery of Heterogeneous Neural Connectivity Graphs, C Singh, B Wang, Y Qi, Advances in Modeling and Learning Interactions from Complex Data, NeurIPS 2017 Workshop

R Package is Available !!!

- The project website: <http://jointnets.org/>
- R package "simule":
 - `install.packages("simule")`
 - `demo(simule) !`
- R package "diffie":
 - `install.packages("diffie")`
 - `demo(diffie) !`
- R package "jeek":
 - `install.packages("jeek")`
 - `demo(jeek) !`
- A complete package "jointNet" in CRAN.
 - `install.packages('JointNets', dependencies=TRUE)`
 - Including all above tools and more variations, plus network visualization, synthetic data simulation, graph evaluation and downstream classification;

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Able to provide and
model **biological**
explanations

Well-engineered
software systems

Be Explainable

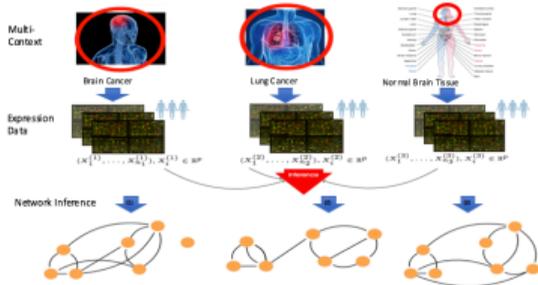
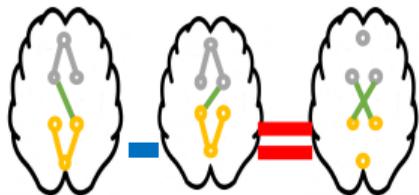
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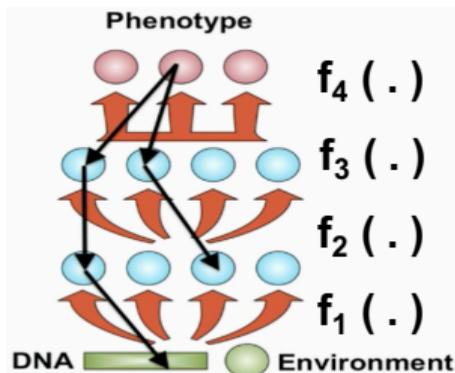
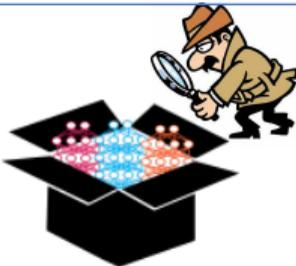
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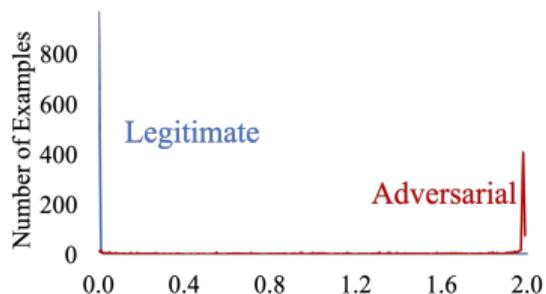
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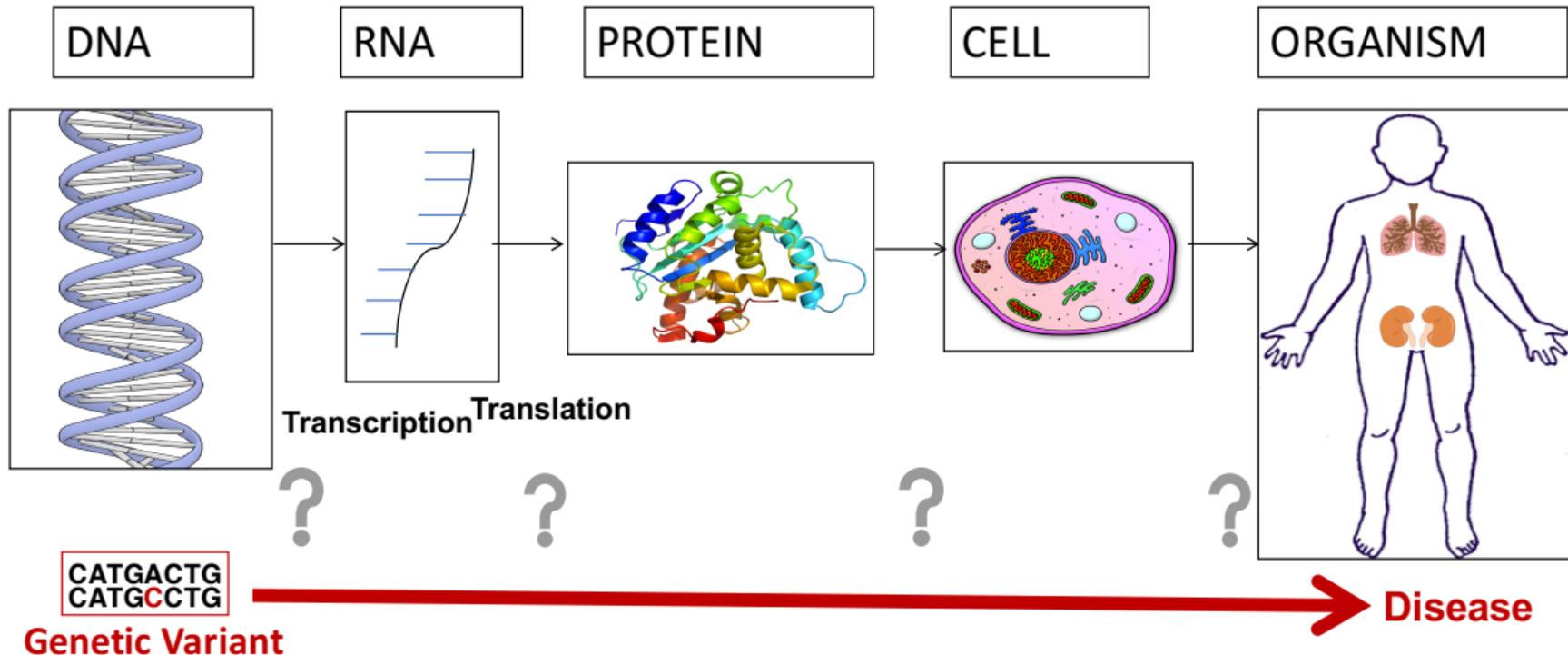
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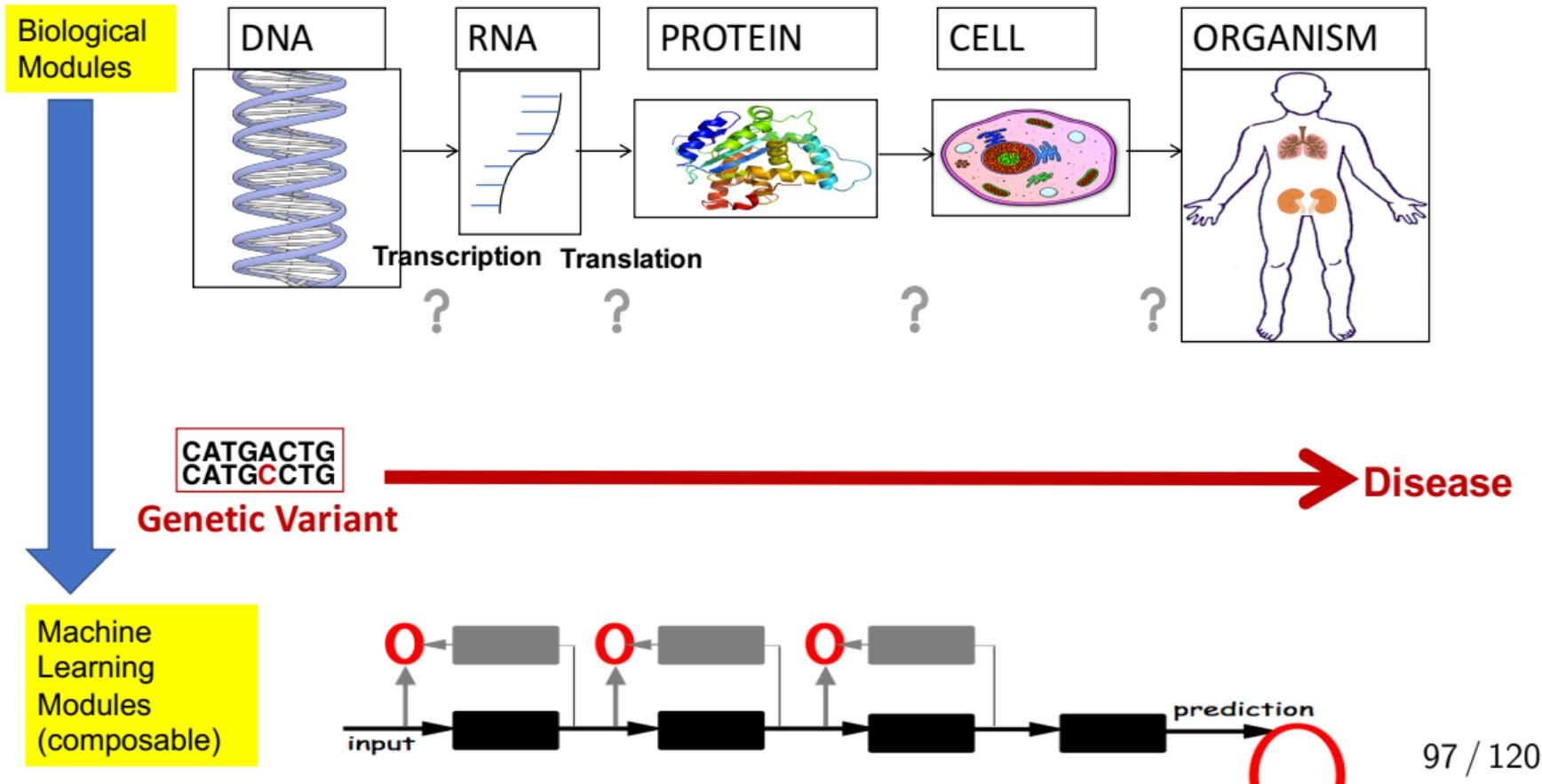
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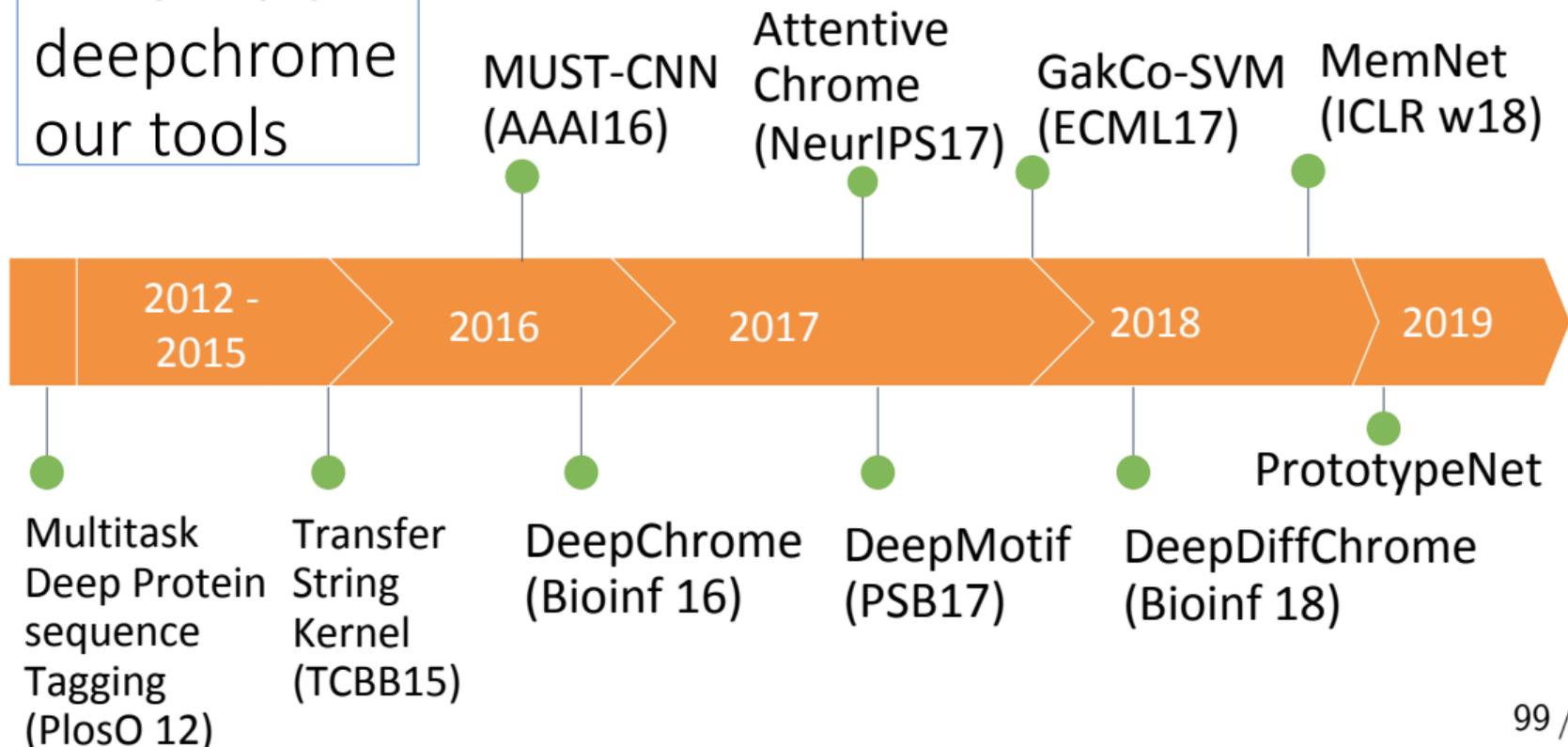
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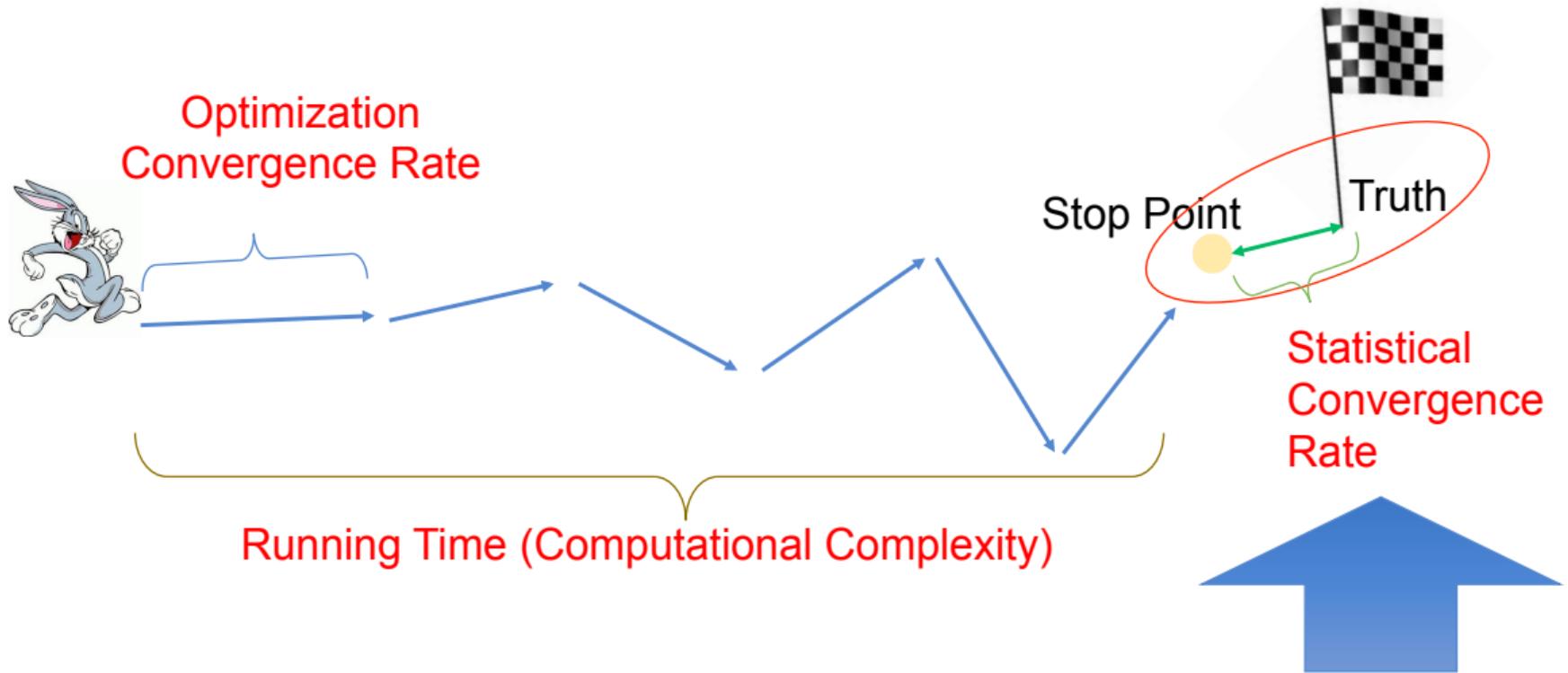
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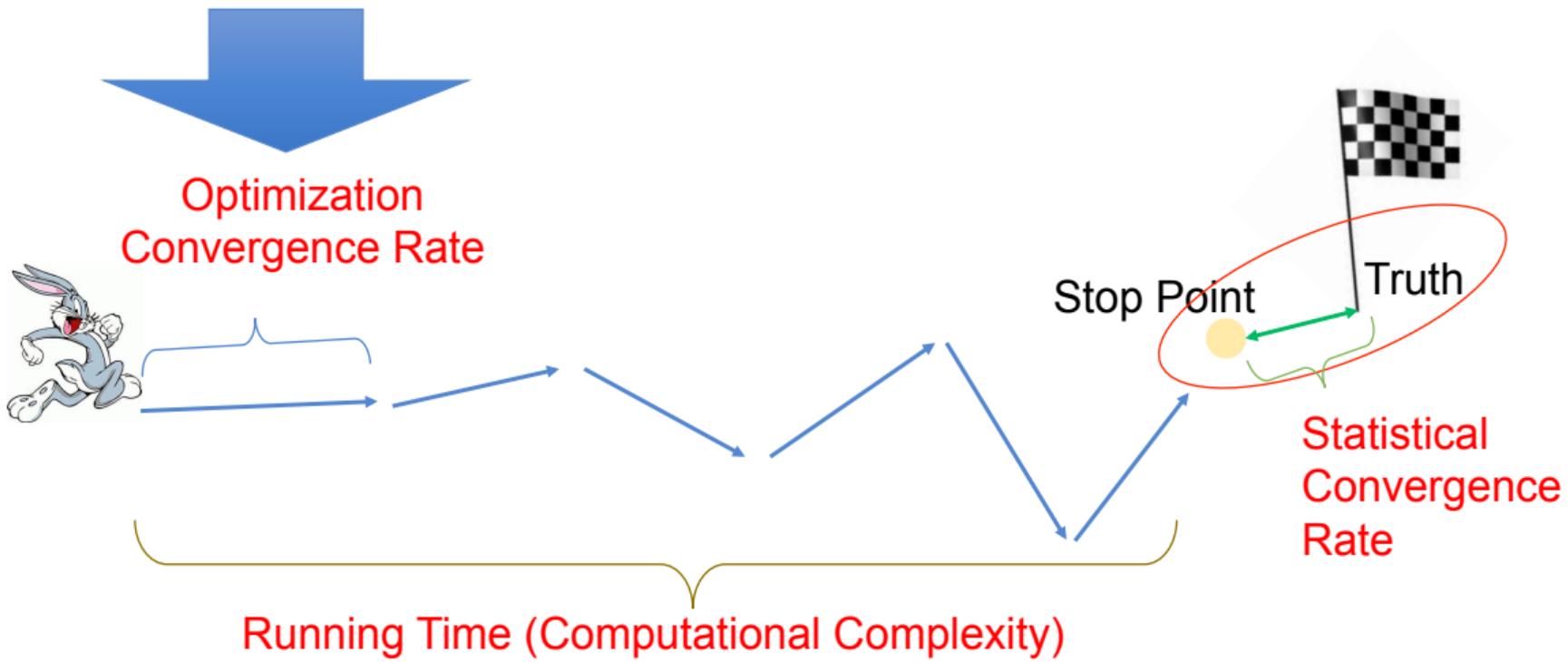
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Statistical Convergence Rate: error bounds

- Suppose the model parameter you need to estimate is θ , the truth is θ^*
- $\|\theta - \theta^*\|$ or $\mathcal{R}(\theta - \theta^*)$. \mathcal{R}] are mostly certain norm functions.
- When high-dimensional ($p > n$), many sparse estimators' error bounds relate to $\frac{\log p}{n}$.

Overview Figure of the three rates: Optimization Convergence Rate



Optimization Convergence Rate: optimization speed

- Linear, e.g. gradient descent, ADMM
- Higher order, e.g. quadratic
- Closed form solution, e.g. vanilla linear regression solution
- A rough comparison of speed: closed form \geq Higher order \geq linear;

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Markov Random Field

Markov Random Field

Given an undirected graph $G = (V, E)$, a set of random variables $X = (X_v)_{v \in V}$ indexed by V form a Markov random field with respect to G if they satisfy the local Markov property:

A variable is conditionally independent of all other variables given its neighbors:

$$X_v \perp\!\!\!\perp X_{V \setminus N(v)} \mid X_{N(v)}$$

This property is stronger than the pairwise Markov property:

pairwise Markov property

Any two non-adjacent variables are conditionally independent given all other variables:

$$X_u \perp\!\!\!\perp X_v \mid X_{V \setminus \{u, v\}} \quad \text{if } \{u, v\} \notin E$$

If this joint density can be factorized over the cliques of G :

$$p(X = x) = \prod_{C \in \text{cl}(G)} \phi_C(x_C)$$

then X forms a Markov random field with respect to G . Here $\text{cl}(G)$ is the set of cliques in G .

Any Markov random field can be written as log-linear model with feature functions f_k such that the full-joint distribution can be written as:

$$P(X = x) = \frac{1}{Z} \exp \left(\sum_k w_k^\top f_k(X) \right)$$

. Notice that the reverse doesn't hold.

Example I: Pairwise Model

Pairwise Model

$$P(X = x) = \frac{1}{Z(\Theta)} \exp \left(\sum_{s \in V} \theta_s^\top x_s^2 + \sum_{(s,t) \in E} \theta_{st}^\top x_s x_t \right)$$

Examples:

- Gaussian Graphical Model
- Ising Model

These two models have good estimators to infer the MRF. Generally, estimate Θ is difficult. Since it involves computing $Z(\Theta)$ or its derivatives.

Example I: Pairwise Model – Gaussian Case

Gaussian Case

$$f(x_1, \dots, x_k) = \frac{\exp\left(-\frac{1}{2}(\mathbf{x} - \mu)^T \Sigma^{-1}(\mathbf{x} - \mu)\right)}{\sqrt{(2\pi)^k |\Sigma|}}$$

Solution:

$$\ln \mathcal{L}(\bar{\mathbf{x}}, \Omega) \propto \ln \det(\Omega) - \text{tr} \left(\Omega \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n (\bar{\mathbf{x}} - \mu)(\bar{\mathbf{x}} - \mu)^T \right) \quad (3.1)$$

$$= \ln \det(\Omega) - \text{tr} \left(\Omega \hat{S} \right) \quad (3.2)$$

where \hat{S} is the sample covariance matrix.

Ising Case

For the Ising model, we use generalized covariance matrix to avoid the normalization term.

Example II: Non-pairwise model – Nonparanormal Graphical Model

Are there any non-pairwise model which is easy to estimate?

Nonparanormal Graphical Model

$$P(X = x) = \frac{1}{Z} \exp \left(-\frac{1}{2} (f(x) - \mu)^T \Sigma^{-1} (f(x) - \mu) \right)$$

where $f(X) = (f_1(X_1), f_2(X_2), \dots, f_p(X_p))$ and each f_i is a univariate monotone function.
 $f(X) \sim N(\mu, \Sigma)$.

Elementary Estimator (EE): Step I – Backward mapping

- Backward mapping $\mathcal{B}^*(\hat{\phi})$ of the parameter (Solution of Vanilla Maximum Likelihood Estimator (MLE))
- Vanilla MLE: $\operatorname{argmax}_{\theta} \mathcal{L}(\theta)$
 - Already close to true parameter
 - But without assumptions e.g., sparse
 - For instance, linear regression solution $(X^T X)^{-1} X^T Y$

Elementary Estimator (EE)

$$\begin{aligned} & \underset{\theta}{\operatorname{argmin}} \mathcal{R}(\theta) \\ & \text{Subject to: } \mathcal{R}^*(\theta - \mathcal{B}^*(\hat{\phi})) \leq \lambda_n \end{aligned} \tag{3.3}$$

- Let $\mathcal{R}(\cdot) = \|\cdot\|_1$



$$\begin{aligned} & \underset{\theta}{\operatorname{argmin}} \|\theta\|_1 \\ & \text{Subject to: } \|\theta - \mathcal{B}^*(\hat{\phi})\|_\infty \leq \lambda_n \end{aligned} \tag{3.4}$$

- Easy to prove the sharp convergence rate when \mathcal{R} and \mathcal{B}^* satisfy certain conditions.

EE-Benefit: Fast and scalable solution

- A soft-thresholding operator (closed form)
- Closed form & $O(p^2)$
- Easy to parallelize in GPU

$$\hat{\theta} = S_{\lambda_n}(\mathcal{B}^*(\hat{\phi}))$$

$$[S_{\lambda}(A)]_{ij} = \text{sign}(A_{ij}) \max(|A_{ij}| - \lambda, 0) \quad (3.5)$$

- Element-wise

$$\Sigma = \text{Cov}(\mathbf{X}) = \begin{bmatrix} \sigma_{11} & \sigma_{12} & \cdots & \sigma_{1n} \\ \sigma_{21} & \sigma_{22} & \cdots & \sigma_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \sigma_{n1} & \sigma_{n2} & \cdots & \sigma_{nn} \end{bmatrix} \quad \Sigma = \text{Cov}(\mathbf{X}) = \begin{bmatrix} \sigma_{11} & \sigma_{12} & \cdots & \sigma_{1n} \\ \sigma_{21} & \sigma_{22} & \cdots & \sigma_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \sigma_{n1} & \sigma_{n2} & \cdots & \sigma_{nn} \end{bmatrix} \quad \Sigma = \text{Cov}(\mathbf{X}) = \begin{bmatrix} \sigma_{11} & \sigma_{12} & \cdots & \sigma_{1n} \\ \sigma_{21} & \sigma_{22} & \cdots & \sigma_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \sigma_{n1} & \sigma_{n2} & \cdots & \sigma_{nn} \end{bmatrix}$$

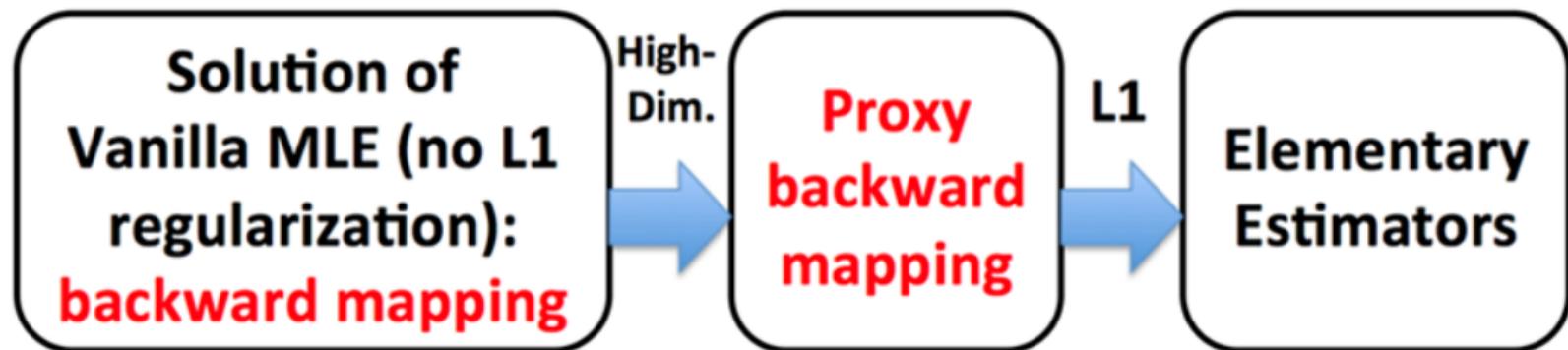
Apply same operator
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EE-GM: Elementary Estimator for sGGM

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- Not invertible when $p \geq n$
- Need approximated backward mapping
 - proxy backward mapping $\hat{\theta}_n \approx \mathcal{B}^*(\hat{\phi})$
 - In sGGM, $\hat{\theta}_n = [T_v(\hat{\Sigma})]^{-1}$



$$\operatorname{argmin}_{\theta} \|\theta\|_1$$

(3.6)

$$\text{Subject to: } \|\theta - \mathcal{B}^*(\hat{\phi})\|_{\infty} \leq \lambda_n$$

- $\hat{\theta}_n = [\mathcal{T}_v(\hat{\Sigma})]^{-1}$



EE-sGGM

$$\operatorname{argmin}_{\Omega} \|\Omega\|_{1,\text{off}}$$

(3.7)

$$\text{subject to: } \|\Omega - [\mathcal{T}_v(\hat{\Sigma})]^{-1}\|_{\infty,\text{off}} \leq \lambda_n$$

EE	$\mathcal{R}(\cdot)$	θ	$\hat{\theta}_n$	\mathcal{R}^*
EE-sGGM	$\ \cdot\ _1$	Ω	$[\mathcal{T}_v(\hat{\Sigma})]^{-1}$	$\ \cdot\ _{\infty}$

EE-Benefit: Easy to prove error bound

- Error bound:

$$\begin{aligned} \|\hat{\theta} - \theta^*\|_{\infty} &\leq 2\lambda_n \\ \|\hat{\theta} - \theta^*\|_F &\leq 4\sqrt{s}\lambda_n \\ \|\hat{\theta} - \theta^*\|_1 &\leq 8s\lambda_n \end{aligned} \quad (3.8)$$

- Condition:

$$\lambda_n \geq \|\hat{\theta}_n - \theta^*\|_{\infty} \quad (3.9)$$

- Constant: s is the num of non-zero entries.

