## Behavioural pattern recognition of animal paths obtained from experimental procedures

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## Behavioural analysis inside the Morris Water Maze

## The Morris Water Maze (MWM)

It was designed by Richard Morris in 1981.

It is one of the most widely used tasks in behavioural neuroscience. More than 2000 publications within the decade 1990-2001 [1].

It is used to study the psychological processes and neural mechanisms of spatial learning and memory.



<sup>[1]</sup> D'Hooge, Rudi, and Peter P. De Deyn. "Applications of the Morris water maze in the study of learning and memory." Brain research reviews 36.1 (2001): 60-90.





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**Full trajectories classification:** Animals employ several behaviours during each trial in order to find the platform and by assigning whole animal trajectories to single behavioural classes results in the loss of important information [2].

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#### **Detailed Trajectories Classification**



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- Segmentation tuning.
- Labelling.
- Classification tuning.
- Final conclusions are based on different segmentation tunings combined together.

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Mapping segments back to the original trajectories: segmentation independent, T and  $\sigma$  proportional to R



#### Validation and Confidence



### Results



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Ensemble Result										
(Friedman test p-values per strategy and transitions, a = 0.05)										
Segmentation	Π	IC	SC	FS	CR	SO	SS	ST	tr	
3R, 0.7	0.008	0.011	0.450	0.205	0.156	0.960	0.271	0.571	0.035	
2.5R, 0.7	0.005	0.013	0.157	0.278	0.003	0.638	0.190	0.345	0.019	
2.5R, 0.9	0.004	0.009	0.501	0.444	0.007	0.718	0.229	0.827	0.037	
2R, 0.7	0.004	0.005	0.156	0.821	0.008	0.749	0.436	0.389	0.038	

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## Further validation: EPFL - Stress vs Control Groups

What about interval length and  $\sigma$ ?

$$C_{T_i} \equiv \arg_{c_k} \max \sum_{\substack{S_j \in c_k \\ T_i \cap S_j \neq \emptyset}} w_k \cdot e^{-\frac{d_{ij}^2}{2 \cdot \sigma^2}}, \qquad w_k = \frac{1}{P(c_k)}$$



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#### Diversity [1-2], and strength [3-4] of the classifiers?



[1] Gerecke, Uwe, Noel E. Sharkey, and Amanda JC Sharkey. "Common evidence vectors for self-organized ensemble localization." Neurocomputing 55.3-4 (2003): 499-519.

[2] Schapire, Robert E. "The strength of weak learnability." Machine learning 5.2 (1990): 197-227.

[3] Zhu, Mu. "Use of majority votes in statistical learning." Wiley Interdisciplinary Reviews: Computational Statistics 7.6 (2015): 357-371.

[4] Ruta, Dymitr, and Bogdan Gabrys. "A theoretical analysis of the limits of majority voting errors for multiple classifier systems." Pattern Analysis and Applications 5.4 (2002): 333-350.

#### Diversity, and strength of the classifiers?

	Segmentation	Segmentation	Segmentation	Segmentation				
	Ι	II	III	IV				
Number of generated	42	78	01	64				
Classifiers	42	78	91	04				
	Performance: Classifiers							
Average Error (%)	16.8	17.5	13.9	18.0				
[min-max]	[5.4 24.9]	[3.7 25.0]	[1.8 21.5]	[7.3 24.9]				
Unclassified (%)	2.5	2.5	1.3	37				
Segments	2.3	2.3	1.5	5.7				
Agreement (%)	58.7	61.0	59.6	56.3				
	Performance: Ensemble(s)							
Error (%)	0.0	0.2	0.0	0.0				
Unclassified (%)	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1				
Segments	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1				
Agreement (%)	83.4	82.6	82.3	80.0				

## The RODA Software



## Further applications, requests and Q&A





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## A generalised framework for detailed classification of swimming paths inside the Morris Water Maze

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Clustering



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#### Path features



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#### **Overlapping segmentation**

- Generates huge amount of data.
- Creates difficult to separate data.
- It cannot capture stationary points.

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  - Feature weighting based on outliers detection and exclusion [4].

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### Thank you for your attention!



## Any questions?

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## Metric Pairwise-Constrained K-Means (MPCK-Means)

Bilenko, Mikhail, Sugato Basu, and Raymond J. Mooney. "Integrating constraints and metric learning in semi-supervised clustering." Proceedings of the twenty-first international conference on Machine learning. ACM, 2004.

**Pairwise constraints** 



**Example:** The COP-KMeans; constraints are never broken when updating cluster assignments [1].

[1] Wagstaff, Kiri, et al. "Constrained k-means clustering with background knowledge." ICML. Vol. 1. 2001.

Metric learning

$$d_A(x_1, x_2) = \|x_1 - x_2\|_A = \sqrt{(x_1 - x_2)^T A(x_1 - x_2)}$$
(1)

• if A = I then (1) corresponds to the Euclidean distance.

- if A is diagonal matrix and not I then each axis or dimension is given a weight (feature weighting).
- if A is full matrix then new features are generated that are linear combination of the original features [2].

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$$b L = \{ (1,2), (2,3), (3,4) \} \\ \oplus \{ (1,3), (2,4) \} \\ \oplus \{ (1,4) \}$$

#### Initialize cluster centroids

- Create  $\lambda$  neighborhoods by using the transitive closure of the MUST-LINK constraints.
- Augment the MUST-LINK and CANNOT-LINK sets of constraints with any additional constraints.
- Use the centers of the neighborhoods as centroids:

   if k = λ initialize λ centroids.
  - ◎ if  $k > \lambda$  initialize  $\lambda$  centroids and the remaining  $k \lambda$  centroids at random using 42 as random seed.
  - $\odot$  if  $k < \lambda$  initialize k neighborhoods from  $\lambda$  based on weighted farthest-first traversal where the weights are the sizes of the neighborhoods.

#### (Weighted) farthest-first traversal

Goal: find K points which are maximally separated from each other (in terms of a weighted distance).



(Weighted) farthest-first traversal



- Pick a neighborhood at random  $\lambda_1$
- Find the furthest neighborhood of  $\lambda_1$ .

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- Since weights ≡ size(λ), the selected points are far apart and inside large neighborhoods.

Integrating constraints and metric learning

$$J = \sum_{x_i \in X} (\|x_i - \mu_{l_i}\|_{A_{l_i}}^2 - \log(\det(A_{l_i})))$$
(1)  
+ 
$$\sum_{(x_i, x_j) \in M} w_{ij} f_M(x_i, x_j) \mathbb{1}[l_i \neq l_j]$$
(2)  
+ 
$$\sum_{(x_i, x_i) \in M} \overline{w}_{ii} f_C(x_i, x_i) \mathbb{1}[l_i = l_i]$$
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- Severity of M:  $f_M = \frac{1}{2} \|x_i x_j\|_{A_{I_i}}^2 + \frac{1}{2} \|x_i x_j\|_{A_{I_i}}^2$
- Severity of C:  $f_M = ||x'_{l_i} x''_{l_i}||^2_{A_{l_i}} + ||x_i x_j||^2_{A_{l_i}}$ , where  $x'_{l_i}$  and  $x''_{l_i}$  is the maximally separated pair of points in the dataset.

## Density K-Means++ (DKM++)

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#### Minimum spanning tree



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• Subset of the edges that connects all the vertices together without any cycle and with the minimum weight.

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#### **Radius using MST-Heuristic**

 $\epsilon = 3 * IQR(L) + 75^{th} percentile(L),$  $L \equiv MST$  weights (lengths)



#### Local density

- Find the  $\epsilon$  *neighbors*( $x_i$ ).
- Compute the local density



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#### Prospectiveness

• 
$$C \leftarrow \{max(\rho(x))\}.$$

•  $\phi(x_j) = \rho(x_j) * ||x_j - x_m||$ ,  $x_m$  is the nearest data point added in C.

• 
$$C \leftarrow \{max(\rho(x)), max(\phi(x))\}$$

• Repeat least 2 steps until k centroids are picked.



