

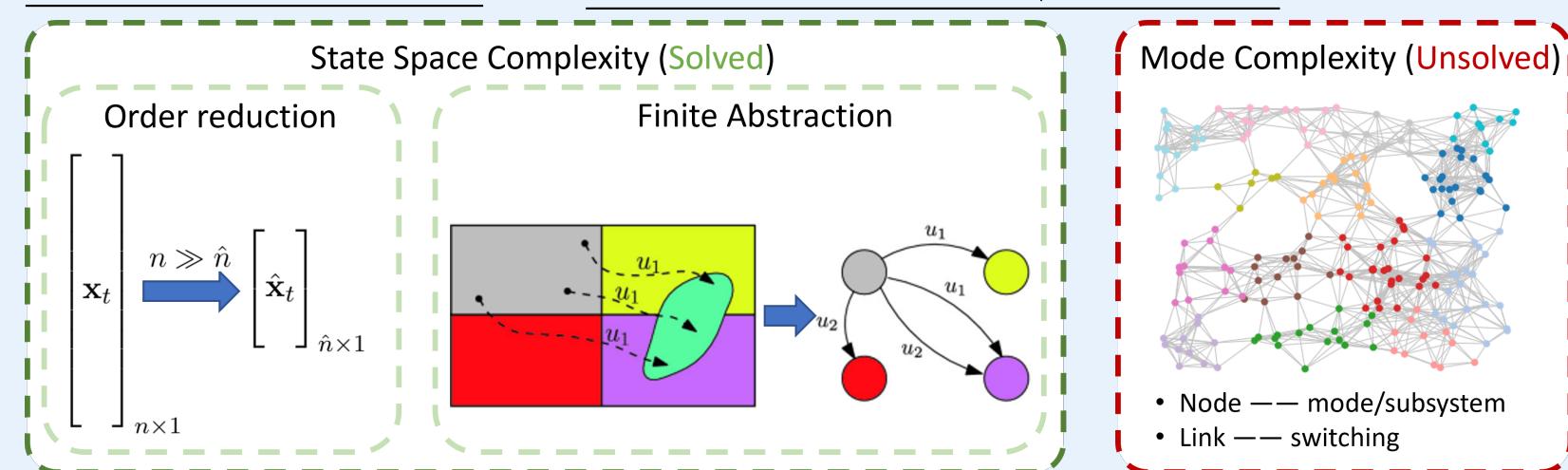
# Clustering-based Mode Reduction for Markov Jump Systems

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## Problem Setup

- Time-varying systems may suffer from two types of complexities: high-dimensional states and large number of modes/subsystems.



There may exist redundancies among the modes allowing for reduced modeling.

## Markov Jump Systems (MJS)

$$\Sigma := \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \mathbf{x}_{t+1} = \mathbf{A}_{\omega_t} \mathbf{x}_t + \mathbf{B}_{\omega_t} \mathbf{u}_t \\ \omega_0, \omega_1, \dots \sim \text{Markov Chain}(\mathbf{T}) \end{array} \right.$$

- state  $\mathbf{x}_t \in \mathbb{R}^n$ , input  $\mathbf{u}_t \in \mathbb{R}^p$
- $s$  number of modes
  - $\square = \{\mathbf{A}_1, \mathbf{B}_1\}, \{\mathbf{A}_2, \mathbf{B}_2\}, \dots, \{\mathbf{A}_s, \mathbf{B}_s\}$
- Markov matrix  $\mathbf{T} \in \mathbb{R}^{s \times s}$ 
  - $\square = \text{Prob}(\omega_{t+1} = j \mid \omega_t = i) = \mathbf{T}_{ij}$

**Goal:** given the  $s$ -mode  $\Sigma$ , construct an  $r$ -mode ( $r \ll s$ ) MJS

$$\hat{\Sigma} := \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \hat{\mathbf{x}}_{t+1} = \hat{\mathbf{A}}_{\hat{\omega}_t} \hat{\mathbf{x}}_t + \hat{\mathbf{B}}_{\hat{\omega}_t} \mathbf{u}_t \\ \hat{\omega}_0, \hat{\omega}_1, \dots \sim \text{Markov Chain}(\hat{\mathbf{T}}) \end{array} \right.$$

with mode dynamics  $\{\hat{\mathbf{A}}_i, \hat{\mathbf{B}}_i\}_{i=1}^r$  and Markov matrix  $\hat{\mathbf{T}} \in \mathbb{R}^{r \times r}$ .

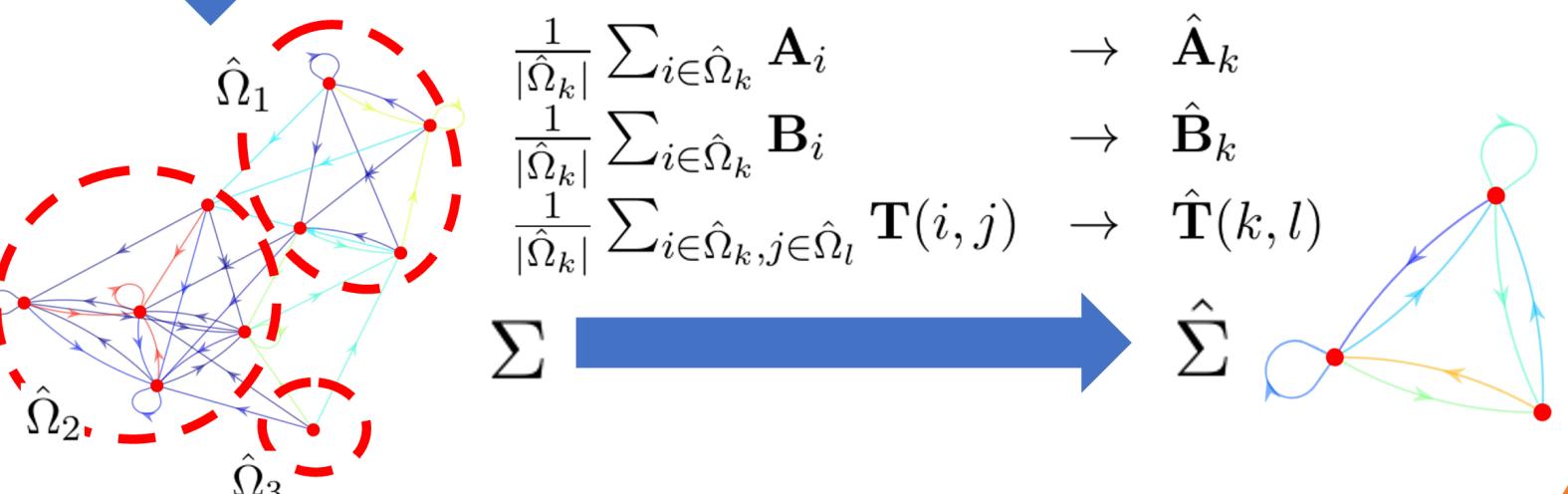
## Approach

- Construct feature matrix with tuning parameter  $\alpha_A, \alpha_B, \alpha_T$

$$\Phi := \begin{bmatrix} -\alpha_A \cdot \text{vec}(\mathbf{A}_1) & -\alpha_B \text{vec}(\mathbf{B}_1) & -\alpha_T \mathbf{T}(1, :) \\ -\alpha_A \cdot \text{vec}(\mathbf{A}_2) & -\alpha_B \text{vec}(\mathbf{B}_2) & -\alpha_T \mathbf{T}(2, :) \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ -\alpha_A \cdot \text{vec}(\mathbf{A}_s) & -\alpha_B \text{vec}(\mathbf{B}_s) & -\alpha_T \mathbf{T}(s, :) \end{bmatrix}$$

k-means:

$$\hat{\Omega}_{1:r}, \hat{\mathbf{c}}_{1:r} = \arg \min_{\hat{\Omega}_{1:r}, \hat{\mathbf{c}}_{1:r}} \sum_{k \in [r]} \sum_{i \in \hat{\Omega}_k} \|\mathbf{U}_r(i, :) - \hat{\mathbf{c}}_k\|^2$$



## Approximation Guarantees

### 1. Assumption and Preliminaries

**Assumption (Inner-cluster Similarity).** Among the clusters  $\{\hat{\Omega}_k\}_{k=1}^r$ , assume for any cluster  $\hat{\Omega}_k$  and any modes  $i, i' \in \hat{\Omega}_k$

$$\|\mathbf{A}_i - \mathbf{A}_{i'}\| \leq \epsilon_A, \quad \|\mathbf{B}_i - \mathbf{B}_{i'}\| \leq \epsilon_B, \quad \|\mathbf{T}(i, :) - \mathbf{T}(i', :)\|_1 \leq \epsilon_T$$

for some  $\epsilon_A, \epsilon_B, \epsilon_T > 0$ .

**Definition 1 (Stability for MJS).** For  $\Sigma$ , define

$$\xi(\Sigma) := \text{joint spectral radius}(\{\mathbf{A}_i\}_{i=1}^s), \quad \rho(\Sigma) := \text{spectral radius}(\mathbf{A})$$

where  $\mathbf{A}$  is a block matrix with the  $ij$ -th block given by  $\mathbf{T}_{ji} \cdot (\mathbf{A}_j \otimes \mathbf{A}_i)$ . Then

$$\text{uniform stability} \iff \xi(\Sigma) < 1, \quad \text{mean-square stability} \iff \rho(\Sigma) < 1$$

### 3. Trajectory Difference

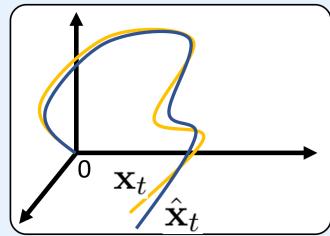
**Theorem 2 (Trajectory Difference).** Suppose  $\mathbf{x}_0 = \hat{\mathbf{x}}_0$ ,  $\mathbf{u}_t \leq \bar{u}$ , and  $\hat{\omega}_t = k$  whenever  $\omega_t \in \hat{\Omega}_k$  (mode synchrony between  $\Sigma$  and  $\hat{\Sigma}$ ). Let  $\rho_0 := (1 + \rho(\Sigma))/2$ ,  $\xi_0 = (1 + \xi(\Sigma))/2$ , and  $\bar{B} := \max_i \|\mathbf{B}_i\|$ .

- When  $\xi(\Sigma) < 1$  (uniform stability),  $\epsilon_A \leq \frac{1-\xi(\Sigma)}{2\kappa}$ , and  $\epsilon_B \leq \bar{B}$ ,

$$\|\mathbf{x}_t - \hat{\mathbf{x}}_t\| \leq t\xi_0^{t-1} \kappa^2 \|\mathbf{x}_0\| \epsilon_A + \frac{2(1+t\xi_0^t)\kappa^2 \bar{B} \bar{u}}{1-\xi_0} \epsilon_A + \frac{\kappa \bar{u}}{1-\xi_0} \epsilon_B.$$

- When  $\rho(\Sigma) < 1$  (mean-square stability),  $\epsilon_A \leq \min\{\bar{A}, \frac{1-\rho(\Sigma)}{6\pi\bar{A}\|\mathbf{T}\|}\}$ , and  $\epsilon_B \leq \bar{B}$ ,

$$\mathbb{E}[\|\mathbf{x}_t - \hat{\mathbf{x}}_t\|] \leq 4\sqrt{ns}\tau \sqrt{t\rho_0^{t-1} \bar{A} \|\mathbf{T}\|} \|\mathbf{x}_0\| \sqrt{\epsilon_A} + \frac{8\sqrt{ns}\bar{B}\tau\bar{u}}{(1-\rho_0)^2} \left( \sqrt{\bar{A} \|\mathbf{T}\|} \sqrt{\epsilon_A} + \sqrt{\epsilon_B} \right).$$



### 2. Stability Difference

**Theorem 1 (Stability Difference).** For  $\Sigma$  and  $\hat{\Sigma}$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} |\xi(\hat{\Sigma}) - \xi(\Sigma)| &\leq \kappa \epsilon_A \\ |\rho(\hat{\Sigma}) - \rho(\Sigma)| &\leq \tau((2\bar{A} + \epsilon_A)\epsilon_A + \bar{A}^2 \epsilon_T) \end{aligned}$$

where  $\bar{A} = \max_i \|\mathbf{A}_i\|$ , and constants  $\kappa, \tau$  are bounded and depend on the transient responses of the MJS.

### 4. LQR Controller Suboptimality

**Definition 2 (MJS-LQR).** Given  $\Sigma$ , positive definite cost matrices  $\mathbf{Q}$  and  $\mathbf{R}$ , define the following quadratic cost w.r.t. controllers  $\mathcal{K} = \{\mathbf{K}_i\}_{i=1}^s$ ,

$$J_\Sigma(\mathcal{K}) := \limsup_{T \rightarrow \infty} \mathbb{E} \left[ \frac{1}{T} \sum_{t=0}^T \mathbf{x}_t^\top \mathbf{Q} \mathbf{x}_t + \mathbf{u}_t^\top \mathbf{R} \mathbf{u}_t \right] \text{ s.t. } \mathbf{x}_t \sim \Sigma \text{ with } \mathbf{u}_t = \mathbf{K}_{\omega_t} \mathbf{x}_t$$

Let  $J^* = \min_{\mathcal{K}} J_\Sigma(\mathcal{K})$  denote the optimal cost.

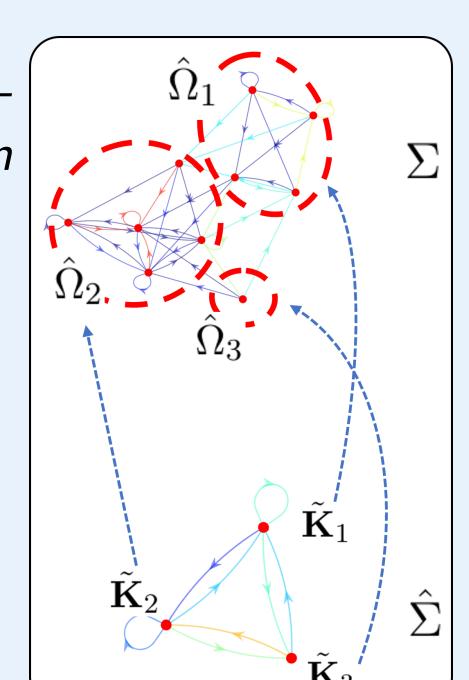
**Theorem 3 (LQR Suboptimality).** Suppose  $\Sigma$  is mean-square stabilizable with additive noise  $\mathcal{N}(0, \sigma_w^2 \mathbf{I})$ . Design controllers using  $\hat{\Sigma}$  and deploy them to  $\Sigma$ :

$$\begin{aligned} \{\tilde{\mathbf{K}}_k\}_{k=1}^r &:= \arg \min_{\{\tilde{\mathbf{K}}_k\}_{k=1}^r} J_{\hat{\Sigma}}(\{\tilde{\mathbf{K}}_k\}_{k=1}^r), \\ \hat{\mathbf{K}} &:= \{\hat{\mathbf{K}}_i\}_{i=1}^s \text{ s.t. } \hat{\mathbf{K}}_i := \tilde{\mathbf{K}}_k \text{ if } i \in \hat{\Omega}_k, \end{aligned}$$

and let  $J = J_\Sigma(\hat{\mathbf{K}})$ . Then for small enough  $\epsilon_A, \epsilon_B$ , and  $\epsilon_T$ ,

$$J - J^* \leq C \sigma_w^2 (ns)^{1.5} (\epsilon_A + \epsilon_B + \epsilon_T)^2$$

where  $C$  is some problem dependent constant.



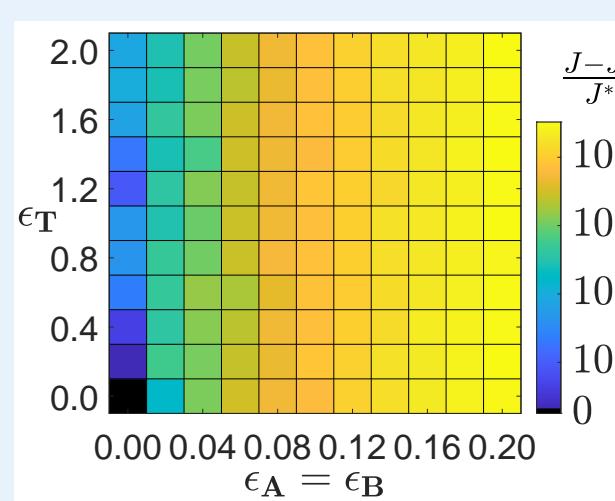
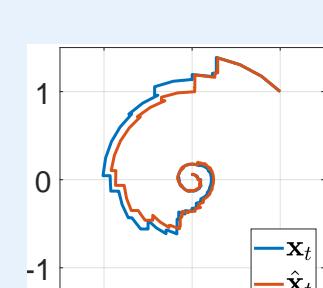
## Experiments

### Trajectory Difference

- Number of modes:  $s = 30$  (original),  $r = 3$  (after reduction)
- For  $i = 1, \dots, 10$ ,  $\mathbf{A}_i = [\cos(\theta_i), -\sin(\theta_i); \sin(\theta_i), \cos(\theta_i)]$  with  $\theta_i \sim \frac{\pi}{16} \text{unif}(0.9, 1.1)$
- For  $i = 11, \dots, 20$ ,  $\mathbf{A}_i = [a_i, 0; 0, 1]$  with  $a_i \sim \text{unif}(0.9, 1)$
- For  $i = 21, \dots, 30$ ,  $\mathbf{A}_i = [1, 0; 0, a_i]$  with  $a_i \sim \text{unif}(0.9, 1)$
- $\mathbf{B}_i = 0$ ,  $\mathbf{T} = (\mathbf{1}_s \mathbf{1}_s^\top / s + \mathbf{I}_s) / 2$ ,  $\mathbf{x}_0 = [1, 1]^\top$

### LQR Controller Suboptimality

- Number of modes:  $s = 100$  (original),  $r = 4$  (after reduction)
- $n = 10, p = 5, \sigma_w = 0.1, \mathbf{x}_0 = \mathbf{1}$
- Randomly generated dynamics  $\Sigma$  and cost matrices  $\mathbf{Q}$  and  $\mathbf{R}$ .
- Controllers are solved via Riccati iterations with tolerance  $10^{-12}$ .
- The plot shows the normalized suboptimality  $\frac{J-J^*}{J^*}$  vs.  $\epsilon_T, \epsilon_A = \epsilon_B$  averaged over 100 runs of experiments.



## Summary

- For more details and results, see the complete version (<https://arxiv.org/abs/2205.02697>).
- clustering performance guarantees
- weaker assumptions
- stronger trajectory difference guarantees w/o mode synchrony

### Future work

- Extend to the case when the output is only partially observed, i.e.  $\mathbf{y}_t = C_{\omega_t} \mathbf{x}_t$  for some measurement matrices  $\{C_i\}_{i=1}^s$ .
- Consider the case when there can be infinite number of modes.

