Large-scale transport in oceans

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Statistical Physics and Dynamical Systems approaches in Lagrangian Fluid Dynamics



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OUTLINE

- 1. Lagrangian fluid dynamics and introduction to chaotic advection. Hamiltonian dynamics, KAM tori, Lyapunov exponents, open flows
- 2. Dispersion, diffusion and coherent structures in flows. Turbulent, pair and chaotic dispersion, gradient production, FTLE, FSLE, Lagrangian Coherent Structures
- **3.** Chemical and biological processes in flows. Fisher and excitable plankton waves, filamental transitions, lamellar approaches, burning manifolds
- 4. Complex networks of fluid transport. Directed and weighted flow networks. Community detection



FLUID FLOWS: TRANSPORT OF WATER, AIR, MOMENTUM, HEAT, SUBSTANCES, ...











Lagrangian approaches to transport and mixing

- Geometric, local, ... : FTLE, FSLE, geodesics, variational theory, M function, ...
 - Set-oriented, probabilistic ,...:

Transfer operator, coherent sets, eigenvectors and singular vectors, ...

BIBLIOGRAPHY at `Resources' for the School: www.gefenol.es/school2014/resources/



- Detailed view of single events
- Statistical (climatological) descriptions



Single-time vs average FSLEs

Hernandez-Carrasco, Lopez, EHG, Turiel, (2012) JGR 117, C10007



Transfer or connectivity matrix

Discrete approximation to the Perron-Frobenius operator

P_{ij} = Prob(ending in j /starting in i)

Characterizes fluid flow from INITIAL TIME t₀

to FINAL TIME $t_0 + \tau$

as acting on a discrete grid

Derator

Froyland et al. 2003, 2005

 $P(t_0, \tau)_{ij} = \frac{\text{\# of tracers in box } i \text{ at time } t_0 \text{ going to box } j \text{ at time } t_0 + \tau}{\text{\# of tracers initially in box } i}$

Network perspective

 $P(t_0,\tau)$ — Adjacency Matrix

Box -----> Node

 $P_{ij} \longrightarrow$ Weight of link *i-j*

Weighted Directed Network







Example: How well-connected is the surface of the global ocean? Froyland et al. Chaos 24, 033126 (2014) surface currents from OFES

P_{ii}

Right eigenvectors: attractors

Left eigenvectors: basins of attraction







Relevant to garbage patches



Rossi, Ser-Giacomi, Lopez, Hernandez-Garcia (2014), Geophys. Res. Lett. 41, 2883-2891 Ser-Giacomi, Rossi, Lopez, Hernandez-Garcia (2014)

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<u>Data</u>

(1/16)° res, 8 m depth

Horizontal velocities from Eddy-resolving model NEMO (2002-2011).

ECMWF wind fields



Network nodes: 3272 quasi-squares of $(1/4)^{\circ}$ (\approx 28 km) in an equal-area projection 500 particles released per node

Oddo et al 2009





start at time t_0 =July 1st . Integration time τ =30 days.

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45°N

33°N

30°N

Standard local network descriptors can be given a fluid interpretation:

300

250

200

150

100

50



OUT-DEGREE: number of nodes towards a given one sends tracers. A measure of **dispersion**

t_o=January 1st . τ=30 days.

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Perhaps too much weight to weakly receiving nodes?

9º E

In-deg: 030d+000 nocf

18°E

Weighted degree? not informative because of normalization





Measure of dispersion: Finite time entropy (in backwards time it would be a measure of mixing) cf. Froyland and Padberg-Gehle (2012), Physica D 241, 1612

$$FTE_i(t_0, \tau) = -\sum_i P(t_0, \tau)_{ij} \log P(t_0, \tau)_{ij}$$

In fact it is an $\varepsilon - \tau$ entropy rate (Boffeta et al, Phys Rep 356 (2002) 367–474)





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A family of network entropies

Ser-Giacomi et al. (2014)

$$H_i^q(t_0, \tau) \equiv \frac{1}{(1-q)|\tau|} \log \sum_{j=1}^N \left(\mathbf{P}(t_0, \tau)_{ij} \right)^q$$

Can be defined for any weighted network. They quantify dispersion and mixing of walkers moving with these weights as transition probabilities

$$\begin{split} H_i^0(t_0,\tau) &\equiv \frac{1}{\tau} \log K_O(i) & \text{out degree} \\ FTE \\ H_i^1(t_0,\tau) &= -\frac{1}{\tau} \sum_{j=1}^N \mathbf{P}(t_0,\tau)_{ij} \log \mathbf{P}(t_0,\tau)_{ij} \\ e^{(1-q)\tau H_i^q(t_0,\tau)} &\approx \left\langle e^{(1-q)\tau\lambda(\mathbf{x}_0,t_0,\tau)} \right\rangle_{B_i} \end{split}$$

Related to the statistics of FTLE inside each box

$$\left\langle e^{\tau\lambda(\mathbf{x}_0,t_0,\tau)} \right\rangle_{B_i} = e^{\tau H_i^0(t_0,\tau)} \qquad H^0_i \ge <\lambda>_i$$





Partitioning the sea

- Assume larvae of fishes and crustaceans are passive tracers during some early-life stage, and that their arrival or not to some ocean areas is important to determine ecological and genetic community structure
- If Marine Protected Areas (MPAs) are established to preserve biodiversity, it has sense to create them in as many unconnected ocean regions as possible. But inside a well-mixed area, it would be redundant to establish many MPAs
- Thus, it is of interest to find a partition of the sea into well-mixed areas (during a finite Pelagic Larval Duration, PLD) with a weak transport among them (provinces). PLDs of interest in the Mediterranean are 30-60 days. During this time the flow remains approximately bidimensional.



Detection of almost-invariant or (self)coherent sets

Optimal almost invariant decomposition in q sets

Froyland & Dellnitz, SIAM J Sci Comp (2003) Frovland, Physica D (2005) Dellnitz et al., Nonlin Proc Geophys (2009) Froyland et al., Phys Rev Lett (2007)

Theory later extended to pairs of coherent sets

 $\begin{array}{ll} \mbox{Coherence ratio of a measurable set } A \\ \mbox{(during a time } \tau \mbox{, flow map } T_{\tau} \mbox{):} & \rho(A) = \frac{m(A \cap T_{\tau}^{-1}A)}{m(A)} \\ \end{array} \begin{array}{ll} \mbox{A almost-invariant if} \\ \rho(A) \approx 1 \end{array}$

subject to a constraint limiting the difference in size of the sets

Maximization is done by considering eigenvectors and eigenvalues of a symmetrized version of $P(t_0, \tau)$, with further heuristic clustering (fuzzy c-means)

Optimal almost invariant decomposition in q sets A_1, A_2, \dots, A_q : the one maximizing the mean coherence $\rho = \frac{1}{q} \sum_{k=1}^{q} \rho(A_k)$





Is this what we need?

- The condition of good internal mixing is not imposed
- Sets are constrained to be of similar size
- The number of sets q has to be decided a priori
- Except for q=2, heuristics is needed to select the number of eigenvectors used and their clustering

Graph partitioning is a classical problem in network theory. Once the flow is interpreted as a network many alternative techniques are available. Community detection techniques try to find sets of nodes strongly connected among them and weakly connected with the rest

Author	Ref,	Label	Order
Girvan & Newman	[12,54]	GN	0(nm ²)
Clauset et al.	[174]	Clauset et al.	$O(n \log^2 n)$
Blondel et al.	[179]	Blondel et al.	O(m)
Guimerà et al.	[185,27]	Sim, Ann,	Parameter dependent
Radicchi et al.	[78]	Radicchi et al,	$O(m^4/n^2)$
Palla et al,	[28]	Cfinder	$O(\exp(n))$
Van Dongen	[271]	MCL	$O(nk^2)$, $k < n$ parameter
Rosvall & Bergstrom	[315]	Infomod	Parameter dependent
Rosvall & Bergstrom	[58]	Infomap	O(m)
Donetti & Muñoz	[48,423]	DM	$O(n^3)$
Newman & Leicht	[290]	EM	Parameter dependent
Ronhovde & Nussinov	[367]	RN	$O(m^{\beta} \log n), \beta \sim 1.3$

S. Fortunato, Phys Rep 486 (2010) 75-174



Among them: Infomap

(Rosvall & Bergstrom (2008), PNAS 105, 1118-1123)

- The motion of random walkers in the flow network with transition probabilities *P_{ii}* is considered
- A partition in communities is assumed, and the minimum length of a codeword to describe the ensemble of random walks is estimated from information theory
- Then, the partition that minimizes the length of such code is found by a fast algorithm





- It is based explicitly in the flow via the Markov walks defined by P_{ij}
- It determines modules internally well connected, with weak leaking
- The optimal number of communities is found
- There is no constrain in the size of communities



Provinces in the Mediterranean

Provinces (~ communities, almost-invariant sets)













SUMMARY

- Fluid transport can be described in the language of network theory by means of transfer matrix methodology
- A family of entropies can be defined for any weighted network, quantifying dispersion and mixing
- Tools of network theory can then be applied to describe transport and mixing. In particular the Infomap algorithm of community detection provides identification of wellmixed almost-invariant sets
- Application to marine dynamics provides insight into environmental decision and planning tasks

Rossi, Ser-Giacomi, Lopez, Hernandez-Garcia (2014), *Hydrodynamic provinces and oceanic connectivity from a transport network help designing marine reserves,* Geophys. Res. Lett. 41, 2883-2891 Ser-Giacomi, Rossi, Lopez, Hernandez-Garcia (2014), *Flow networks: A characterization of geophysical fluid transport,* http://ifisc.uib-csic.es/publications/publication-detail.php?indice=2556