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# Spectral Learning of Shared Dynamics between Generalized-Linear Processes

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# Generalized-linear dynamical models are useful for modeling time-series

Latent dynamical process

$$\mathbf{x}_{k+1} = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{x}_k + \mathbf{w}_k$$

Gaussian observations

$$\mathbf{r}_k = \mathbf{C}_r\mathbf{x}_k + \mathbf{v}_k + b$$

Poisson observations

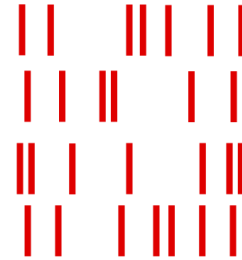
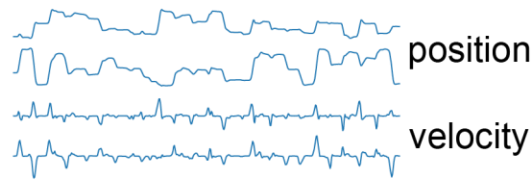
$$\mathbf{y}_k | \mathbf{r}_k \sim \text{Poisson}(\exp(\mathbf{r}_k))$$

Bernoulli observations

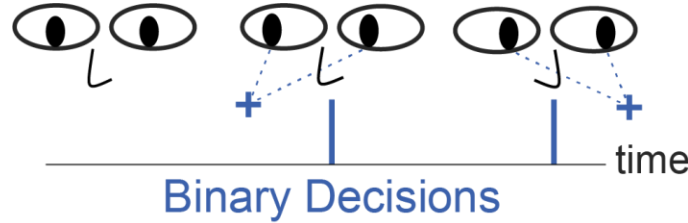
$$\mathbf{y}_k | \mathbf{r}_k \sim \text{Bern}(\text{sigmoid}(\mathbf{r}_k))$$



Kinematics



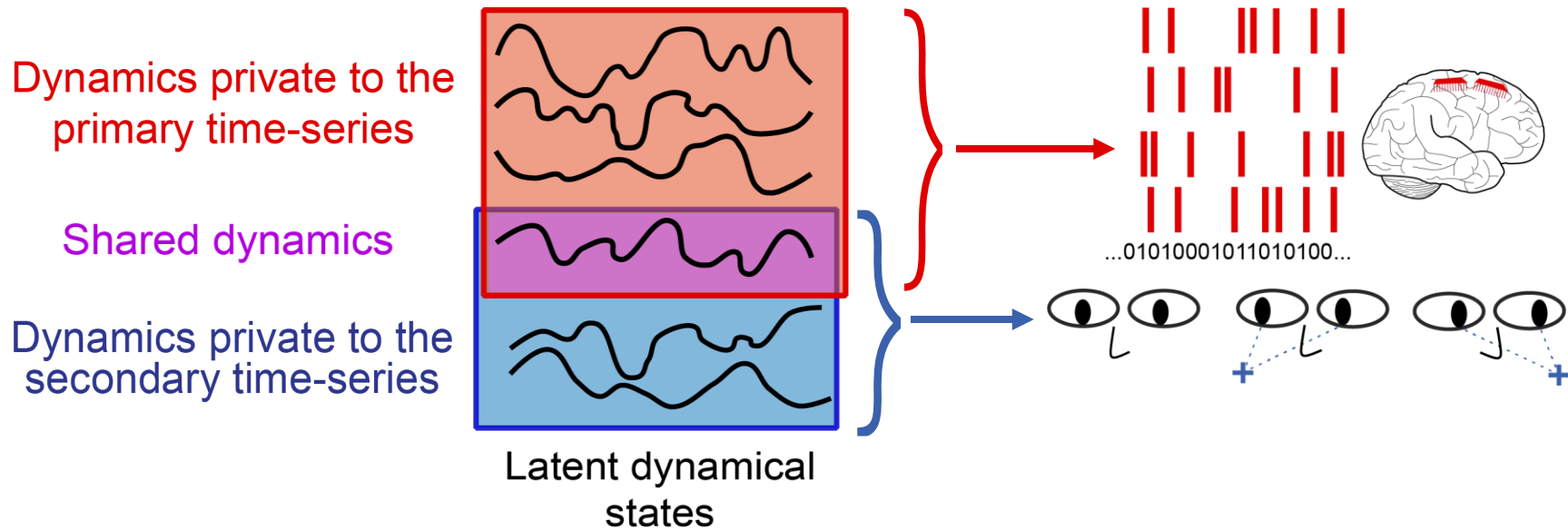
Neural Population Spiking



Most existing GLDM models and their associated learning algorithms only model a single source.

Some applications require joint modeling of two generalized-linear time-series.

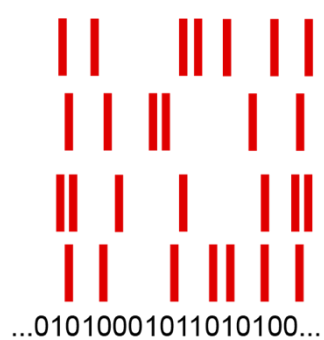
# Joint GL time-series have shared and private dynamics



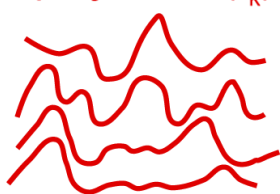
**PGLDM (prioritized generalized-linear dynamical modeling):** a multi-step, subspace identification algorithm for explicitly modeling shared vs private dynamics between two generalized-linear time-series

# Partition dynamics using a block-structure latent model definition

Primary time-series ( $y_k$ )



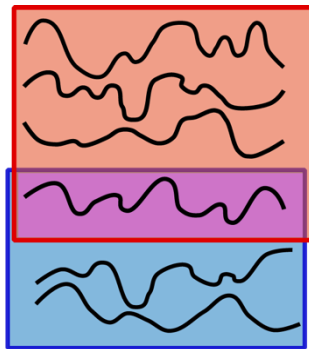
Primary linear projection ( $r_k$ )



Block-structured Latent Dynamical Model

$$\begin{cases} \begin{bmatrix} x_{k+1}^{(1)} \\ x_{k+1}^{(2)} \\ x_{k+1}^{(3)} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} A_{11} & 0 & 0 \\ A_{21} & A_{22} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & A_{33} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_k^{(1)} \\ x_k^{(2)} \\ x_k^{(3)} \end{bmatrix} + w_k \\ \\ r_k = \begin{bmatrix} C_r^{(1)} & C_r^{(2)} & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_k^{(1)} \\ x_k^{(2)} \\ x_k^{(3)} \end{bmatrix} + v_k + b \\ \\ z_k = \begin{bmatrix} C_z^{(1)} & 0 & C_z^{(3)} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_k^{(1)} \\ x_k^{(2)} \\ x_k^{(3)} \end{bmatrix} + \epsilon_k + d \\ \\ y_k | r_k \sim P_{y|r}(y_k; g(r_k)) \\ t_k | z_k \sim P_{t|z}(t_k; h(z_k)) \end{cases}$$

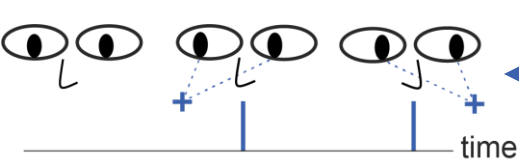
Latent dynamical states ( $x_k$ )



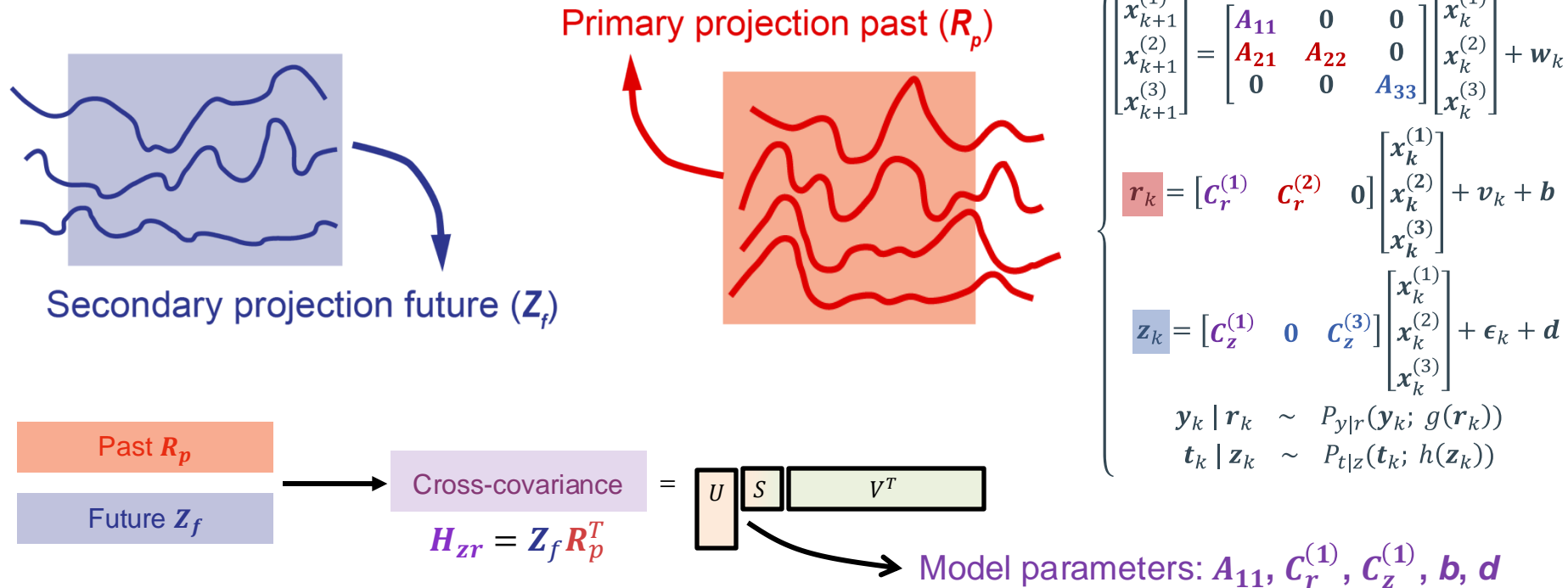
Secondary linear projection ( $z_k$ )



Secondary time-series ( $t_k$ )



# PGLDM multi-stage learning dissociates shared from private dynamics

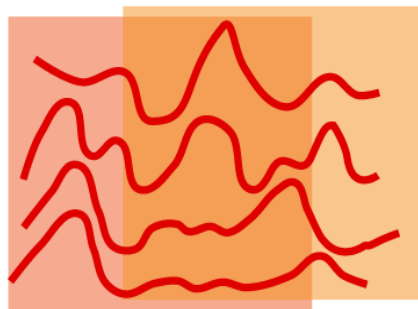


**Stage 1.** Given shared latent dimensionality  $n_1$ , secondary projection  $z$  future, and primary projection  $r$  past: learn the **shared dynamics**.

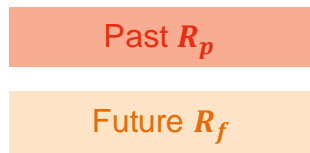
# PGLDM multi-stage learning dissociates shared from private dynamics

**Stage 2.** Given private latent dimensionality  $n_2$  and primary projection  $\mathbf{r}$  future and past: learn the **dynamics private to  $\mathbf{r}$** .

Primary projection past ( $R_p$ )



Primary projection future ( $R_f$ )



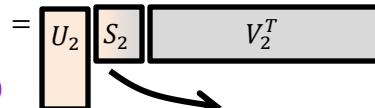
Cross-covariance

$$H_r = R_f R_p^T$$

$$A_{11}, C_r^{(1)}$$

Predicted residual cross-covariance

$$H_r^{(2)} = H_r - H_r^{(1)}$$



Model parameters:  $A_{21}, A_{22}, C_r^{(2)}$

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**Stage 3.** Given private latent dimensionality  $n_3$  and secondary projection  $\mathbf{z}$  future and past: learn the **dynamics private to  $\mathbf{z}$** ,  $\{A_{33}, C_z^{(3)}\}$ .

# Extending to the generalized-linear case using moment conversion

Algorithm relies on cross-covariances between future and past intermediate linear observations  $\mathbf{r}$  and  $\mathbf{z}$

$\mathbf{r}$  and  $\mathbf{z}$  are latent in the generalized-linear case

Instead, primary and secondary generalized-linear time-series  $\mathbf{y}$  and  $\mathbf{t}$  (potentially discrete) are observed

How can future-past cross-covariances  $\mathbf{H}_{zr} = \mathbf{Z}_f \mathbf{R}_p^T$  and  $\mathbf{H}_r = \mathbf{R}_f \mathbf{R}_p^T$  be computed?

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Empirically computable  
future-past cross-covariances  
(ex:  $\mathbf{Y}_f \mathbf{Y}_p^T$ )

Transformation  
of Moments

Latent linear future-past  
cross-covariances  
(ex:  $\mathbf{R}_f \mathbf{R}_p^T$ )

Buesing et al., NeurIPS, 2012

# Shared dynamics identified more accurately in simulations

PGLDM more accurately identified shared modes across most generalized-linear observation pairs

Method Name	Primary time-series ( $r_k$ or $y_k$ ) / Secondary time-series ( $z_k$ or $t_k$ )			
	Gaussian/Gaus.	Poisson/Gaus.	Pois./Pois.	Bernoulli/Gaus.
PGLDM (stage 1)	-2.757 ± 0.070	<b>-2.707 ± 0.09</b>	<b>-1.969 ± 0.07</b>	<b>-2.864 ± 0.072</b>
Laplace-EM	-1.320 ± 0.09	-1.083 ± 0.11	-1.088 ± 0.11	-1.027 ± 0.067
PSID (stage 1)	<b>-2.985 ± 0.102</b>	<b>X</b>	<b>X</b>	<b>X</b>
Covariance SSID	-1.467 ± 0.080	<b>X</b>	<b>X</b>	<b>X</b>
PLDSID	<b>X</b>	-1.319 ± 0.132	-1.203 ± 0.112	<b>X</b>
bestLDS	<b>X</b>	<b>X</b>	<b>X</b>	-1.209 ± 0.117

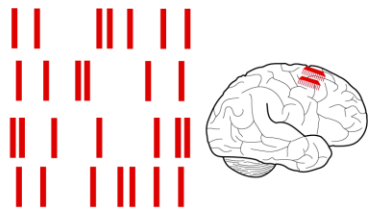
Normalized eigenvalue error  $\frac{\|\hat{M} - M\|_2}{\|M\|_2}$

$M \triangleq [\lambda_{z_1} \quad \dots \quad \lambda_{z_m}]$

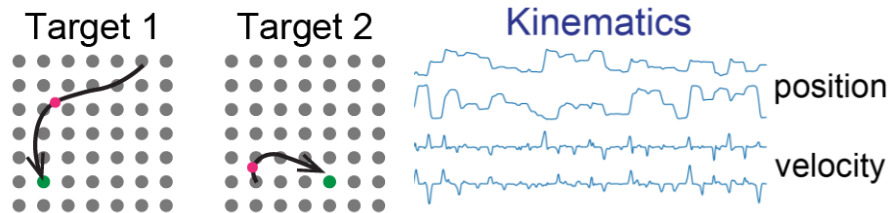


# Modeling shared dynamics improves secondary time-series decoding performance

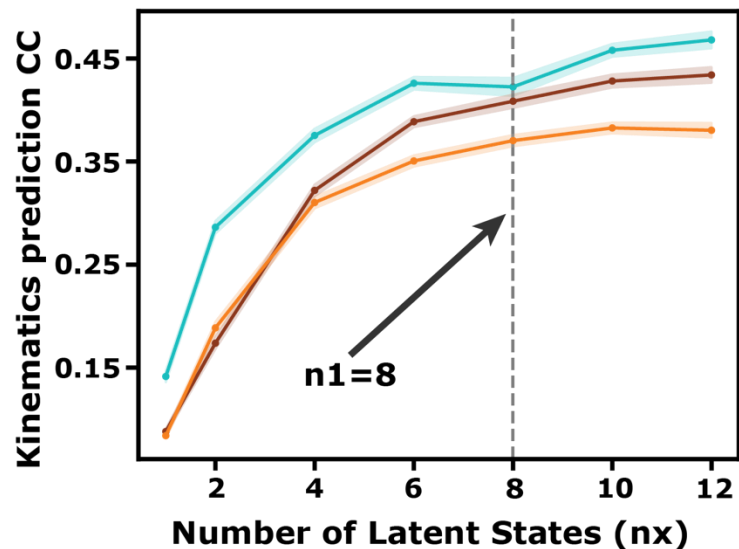
Poisson primary time-series  $y_k$



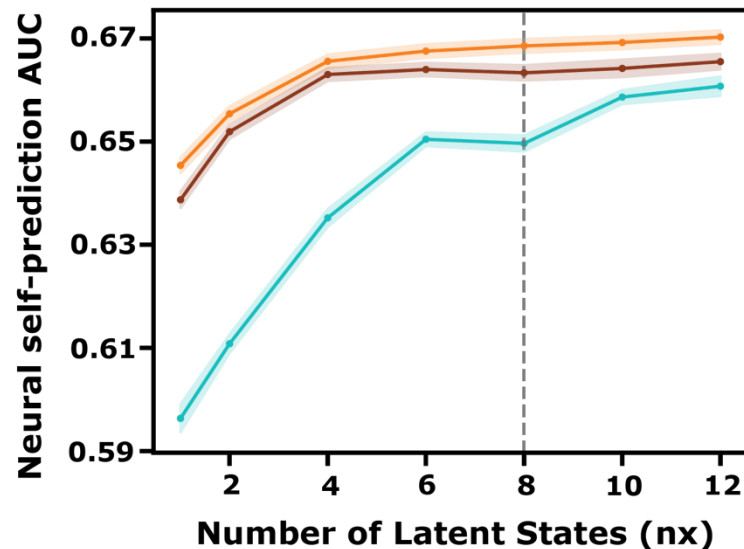
Gaussian secondary time-series  $z_k$



O'Doherty et al., doi: 10.5281/zenodo.583331



PGLDM  
PLDSID  
Poisson Laplace-EM



# Conclusions

- We developed and validated PGLDM, a novel analytical subspace identification algorithm for explicitly modeling shared vs private dynamics between two generalized-linear time-series
  - Because PGLDM more accurately dissociated shared from private dynamics, models learned by PGLDM more accurately decoded a secondary time-series from a primary time-series using lower-dimensional latent models
  - We also demonstrated that PGLDM can be used with any combination of generalized-linear observation pairs -- as long as there exists computationally tractable moment conversion equations
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Thank you for your attention!

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