# Big data approach to dynamical optical complexity

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### **Dynamical complexity**

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Low frequency fluctuations –LFFs

Semiconductor laser with optical feedback



Time

Extreme pulses (rogue waves)

Semiconductor laser with continuous-wave optical injection



Time

#### Polarization switching

VCSELs with time-varying pump current



### Transition to turbulence

Raman fiber laser with time-varying pump power





Laser types

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L=1 km, millions of longitudinal modes

normal dispersion fiber; cavity formed by two fiber Bragg gratings



Scope:

- controlled experiments generate output signals that are useful for testing novel analysis tools.
- novel analysis tools can yield new insights on the underlying dynamics.
- Outline
  - Temporal correlations of LFF dropouts
  - Early warning indicators of the PS transition
  - Characterization of the laminar-turbulence transition
  - Oscillatory patterns anticipate extreme pulses
  - Summary



### Temporal correlations of LFF dropouts

- similar to neuronal spikes?



### Semiconductor lasers with optical <sup>Mirror</sup> feedback: neuron-like behavior?



### WHAT DO LASERS HAVE TO DO WITH NEURONS?



Similar statistics of inter-spike intervals?

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### **MOTIVATION**



Science 345, 668 (2014)

"a computer that is **inspired** by the brain."

Neuro-synaptic architecture allows to do things like image classification at a very low power consumption.

- Spiking lasers: photonic neurons?
- potential building blocks of brain-inspired computers.
- Ultra fast ! (micro-sec vs. mili-sec)



### Comparison of empirical data: neuron & optical spikes

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### Neuron inter-spike interval (ISI) distribution



FIG. 1. (a) An experimental ISIH obtained from a single auditory nerve fiber of a squirrel monkey with a sinusoidal 80dB sound-pressure-level stimulus of period  $T_0 = 1.66$  ms applied at the ear. Note the modes at integer multiples of  $T_0$ . Inset:

A. Longtin et al, PRL 67 (1991) 656

Optical ISI distribution, data collected in our lab



### HOW SIMILAR NEURONAL AND OPTICAL SPIKES ARE?





A. Aragoneses et al, Opt. Exp. (2014) M. Giudici et al, PRE 55, 6414 (1997) D. Sukow and D. Gautheir, JQE (2000)

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## How neurons encode information?

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- In the spike rate?
- Is the relative timing of the spikes relevant?
  - Rate-based information encoding is slow.
  - Temporal codes transmit more information.

### ARE THERE TEMPORAL PATTERNS IN THE SPIKE SEQUENCE?

# Symbolic method of time-series analysis





# Method of symbolic time-series analysis: ordinal patterns

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The OP probabilities allow to identify frequent patterns in the *ordering* of the data points

Random data  $\Rightarrow$  OPs are equally probable

- Advantage: the probabilities uncover temporal correlations.

- Drawback: we lose information about the actual values.



### Example1: the logistic map x(i+1)=4x(i)[1-x(i)]

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Forbidden

pattern





 $\Rightarrow$  Ordinal analysis provides complementary information



#### **Ordinal bifurcation diagrams**





With D=3 we can study correlations among 4 spikes.

**⇒210** 

• With D=4  $x_2$   $x_3$   $x_4$   $x_5$   $x_5$  $x_$ 

⇒012

The number of patterns grows with the length of the pattern as D!



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U. Parlitz et al. / Computers in Biology and Medicine 42 (2012) 319-327



#### D=5: 5!=120 patterns

- How to quantify the information?
  - Permutation entropy

$$s_p = -\sum p_i \log p_i$$

- How to select optimal D? depends on:
  - The length of the data.
  - The length of the correlations.

# Contrasting empirical optical spikes with synthetic neuronal spikes

- do they have similar ordinal statistics?

- are there more/less frequent patterns?





### **Ordinal analysis of ISI correlations**

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*P*=1 /6; *N* > 10,000 ISIs

A. Aragoneses, S. Perrone, T. Sorrentino, M. C. Torrent and C. Masoller, Sci. Rep. **4**, 4696 (2014)



### Minimal model of ISI correlations: modified circle map

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$$\varphi_{i+1} = \varphi_i + \rho + \frac{K}{2\pi} \left[ \sin(2\pi\varphi_i) + \alpha_c \sin(4\pi\varphi_i) \right] + D\zeta$$
$$X_i = \varphi_{i+1} - \varphi_i$$

 $\rho = \underline{\text{natural frequency}}$ forcing frequency K = forcing amplitude

D = noise strength

#### Lang-Kobayashi Circle map data 0.5 time-delay model **Empirical laser data** ρ=0.23, K=0.04, D=0.002 0.19 probabilities 0.21 0.18 0.19 0.17 ).25 0.17 0.16 ЧО 0.15 0.15 26.4 26.6 26.8 27 27.2 0.98 1.02 1.0 Pump current parameter, µ Pump current (mA) 0 ) 0.2 0 Parameter $\alpha_c$ 0.6 012 021 20 -210 -0.2 0.4 02 20

- Same "clusters" & same hierarchical structure.
- Modified circle map: minimal model for ordinal correlations.
- Same qualitative behavior found with other lasers & feedback conditions.

Model equations and parameters: A. Aragoneses et al, Sci. Rep. 4, 4696 (2014)



### Other experiments: influence of OP size and LFF threshold





### **Connection with neurons**

- The circle map describes many excitable systems.
- The modified circle map has been used to describe spike correlations in biological neurons.

A. B. Neiman and D. F. Russell, PRE 71, 061915 (2005)



A. Aragoneses et al, Sci. Rep. 4, 4696 (2014)



(weak) modulation: **a**<sub>0</sub> and **T** such that spikes are only noise-induced. Time series with 100,000 ISIs simulated.







# Noisy entrainment to sinusoidal current modulation





### Early-warning indicators of abrupt transitions

- controlled experiments generate "optical big data" that is useful for testing novel diagnostic tools



Experimental data from INLN & Bangor University (S. Barland & Y. Hong)



**Motivation** 

## A lot of work is aimed at developing reliable diagnostic tools for "early warning" of abrupt transitions.



long-term climatic signals reveal a slowfast dynamics.

De Saedeleer, Crucifix and Wieczorek, Clim. Dyn. 2013





Bangladesh, Nature 2014



# VCSEL polarization-resolved intensity: two sets of experiments

Time series recorded

Record the turn-off of

with pump current

varying in time.

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- Time series recorded with pump current constant in time.
- Record the turn-on of the orthogonal mode.
  - Olarization-resolved intensity (arb. units) the fundamental mode. 0.01 250 -0.01 200 Power (arb.u.) -0.02 Time 150 -0.03 100 -0.04 50 -0.05 0 200 0 400 600 800 1000 -0.06 Time (0.1ns) -0.07 Time 5.6 5.8 6 Bias current (mA)

Is it possible to anticipate the PS?

No if the mechanisms that trigger the PS are fully stochastic.



Three diagnostic tools

- Entropy computed from ordinal probabilities (permutation entropy)  $s_p = -\sum p_i \log p_i$
- Entropy computed from transition probabilities ('01' $\rightarrow$  '01', '01' $\rightarrow$  '10', etc.)

$$w_{ij} = \frac{\sum_{t=1}^{L-1} n \left[ s(t) = i, s(t+1) = j \right]}{\sum_{t=1}^{L-1} n \left[ s(t) = i \right]}$$



• Asymmetry coefficient: normalized difference of transition probabilities,  $P('01' \rightarrow '10') - P('10' \rightarrow '01')$ , etc.

$$a_{c} = \frac{\sum_{i} \sum_{j \neq i} \left| w_{ij} - w_{ji} \right|}{\sum_{i} \sum_{j \neq i} \left( w_{ij} + w_{ji} \right)}$$



# Results for constant pump current & turn-on of the orthogonal mode

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⇒ Despite of the stochasticity of the time-series, the measures "anticipate" the PS.

⇒ Deterministic mechanisms involved.

Error bars computed from 100 non-overlapping windows with L=1000 data points each.

C. Masoller et al, New J. Phys. 17 (2015) 023068



### Influence of the length of the dataset

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⇒ if L is too short the measures fail to provide an early warning

Analysis done with D=3, error bars computed from 100 non-overlapping windows with L data points each.

C. Masoller et al, New J. Phys. 17 (2015) 023068



#### **Results for time-varying pump current &** turn-off of the fundamental mode Campus d'Excel·lència Internacional

Slightly different optical feedback conditions result in PS or no PS as the pump current is increased.

Analysis done with D=3, error bars computed with 1000 time series, L=500 data points.



Open issues: quantification of the anticipation time and comparison with other diagnostic tools

C. Masoller et al, New J. Phys. 17 (2015) 023068





# Characterizing the laminar-turbulence transition in a fiber laser



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Experimental data from Aston University, UK (Prof. Turitsyn' group; details with **NikitaTarasov**)

#### **Motivation**



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E. G. Turitsyna et al Nat. Phot. 7, 783 (2013)

- Width of optical spectrum: abrupt increase of the number of excited modes.
- Most probable intensity: abrupt change in PDF.
- Background level of the intensity autocorrelation function at long lag
  - for a coherent state  $\rightarrow 1$
  - for stochastic radiation with Gaussian statistics  $\rightarrow 0.5$ .







# Analysis of the intensity peaks higher than a threshold

power

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Each time series is first normalized to  $\langle I \rangle = 0$  and  $\sigma = 1$ 







Aragoneses et al, PRL 116, 033902 (2016)

from the raw data?



### Ordinal analysis of lagged raw data

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Aragoneses et al, PRL 116, 033902 (2016)



### Ordinal probabilities vs. lag





# Minimal model of intensity correlations at the transition

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Stochastic limit cycle: phase equation

$$\frac{d\varphi}{dt} = \omega_0 + f(\varphi, t) + \xi$$

Stroboscopic sampling at time-interval  $\tau$ 

$$\varphi(t_0 + \tau) = \varphi(t_0) + \omega_0 \tau + F(\varphi(t_0)) + \xi$$

$$\varphi_{i+1} = \varphi_i + \rho + \frac{K}{2\pi} \sin(2\pi\varphi_i) + D\xi$$

$$\varphi(t_0 + \tau)$$

 $\rho = v_0 \tau = v_0 / v_{ext}$ 



## Circle map: minimal model of ordinal probabilities at the transition

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Present work is aimed at gaining further understanding from these observations.





### Anticipating extreme optical pulses

- can we identify patterns likely to occur (or not to occur) before an extreme pulse?





### Rare and extreme events: a characteristic feature of the dynamics of complex systems



- Controlled experiments can advance the understanding of the mechanisms capable of triggering (or suppressing) extreme events.
- Developing reliable diagnostic tools for "early warning" of extreme events.



A lot of work has focused on understanding the dynamics (Amann, Barland, Kelleher, Lüdge, Sciamanna, and many others!)

#### Also extreme intensity pulses (optical rogue waves)?



In cw optically injected semiconductor lasers, ORWs can be

- **deterministic**, generated by a crisis-like process.
- controlled by noise and/or by current modulation.
- predicted with a certain anticipation time.
- C. Bonatto et al, *Deterministic optical rogue waves*, PRL 107, 053901 (2011).
- J. Zamora-Munt et al, *Rogue waves in optically injected lasers: origin, predictability and suppression,* PRA 87, 035802 (2013).
- S. Perrone et al, Controlling the likelihood of RWs in an optically injected semiconductor laser via direct current modulation, PRA 89, 033804 (2014).
- J. Ahuja et al, Rogue waves in injected semiconductor lasers with current modulation: role of the modulation phase, Optics Express 22, 28377 (2014).



### **RW predictability**

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 $\Rightarrow$  Well-defined oscillation pattern anticipates extreme pulses.  $\Rightarrow$  How can this be quantified?



# Ordinal analysis applied to three pulse heights before a RW

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Deterministic simulations: time-series normalized to zero-mean and  $\sigma$ =1



 Drawback: P(201)≠0 if TH <6 (pattern 201 also anticipates some small pulses) ⇒ false alarms (false positives)

Model and parameters as in S. Perrone et al, PRA 89, 033804 (2014)



### Including spontaneous emission noise and current modulation

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"early warning pattern" depends on parameters and is not always well-defined. Next step: analysis of empirical data.

### Conclusions





### What did we learn?

#### Take home message:

- ordinal analysis is useful for understanding data, uncovering patterns,
- for model validation, parameter estimation, classifying events, etc.
- robust to noise and artifacts in the data.
- Main conclusions
  - LFFs: minimal model for ISI correlations identified (a modified circle map); with current modulation good agreement with the FHN model.
  - PS: three early-warning indicators of abrupt transition validated.
  - Laminar-turbulent transition: sharp transition seen in thresholded data but not in raw data; particular time-scales and phenomenological model for intensity correlations at the transition identified.
  - ORWs: some patterns are more (or less) likely to occur before high pulses
- Open issues (ongoing and future work):
  - Hierarchical & clustered structure: universal feature of excitable systems?
  - Mathematical insight: can we calculate the probabilities analytically?
  - Role of coupling? Induce different preferred/infrequent patterns?
  - Quantify the performance of the diagnostic tools.
  - Applicability to real-word time-series (climate, financial, etc)?





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