

Inferring signatures of determinism in the LFF regime of semiconductor lasers with optical feedback

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El edificio Gala centraliza grupos científicos consolidados y emergentes.

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- 3. Igualada
- 4. Manresa
- 5. Mataró
- 6. Sant Cugat del Vallès
- 7. Terrassa
- 8. Vilanova i la Geltrú



Nonlinear optics and laser dynamics research labs







Event level description of dynamical complex systems

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- Sequences of events generated by complex systems
 - Intervals between threshold crossings and barrier crossings,
 - Neurons: inter-spike intervals (ISIs),
 - Human communication: inter-event user times (SMS, emails, Twitters).
 - Earth and climate: earthquakes, extreme events (tornados, rainfalls), etc.
- Interplay of
 - Different time scales, memory
 - Nonlinear, high dimensional & stochastic effects
- The identification of patterns in the sequence of events can allow for
 - Model verification, parameter estimation
 - Classification of different types of dynamical behaviors
 - Improving predictability and forecasting



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Semiconductor laser with optical feedback: optical spikes

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 With optical feedback the laser intensity displays LFF dropouts similar to neuronal spikes.



- Complex interplay of:
 - Feedback delay time
 - Noise
 - Nonlineary

 \Rightarrow Stochastic and high-dimensional system





- To develop a method of time-series analysis that allows inferring signatures of determinism in the sequence of optical spikes;
- To extract new information;
- To compare model predictions with observations;
- To explore potential for building optical neurons.



Governing equations

R. Lang and K. Kobayashi, IEEE J. Quantum Electron. 16, 347 (1980)



 $|E|^2 \sim$ photon number (output intensity)

 $N \sim$ number of carriers (electron-holes)

$$\frac{dE}{dt} = \frac{1}{2\tau_p} (1+i\alpha)(G-1)E + \eta E(t-\tau)e^{-i\omega_0\tau} + \sqrt{\beta_{sp}}\xi$$

$$\frac{dN}{dt} = \frac{1}{\tau_N} \left(\omega + N - G|E|^2 \right)$$
Feedback noise
$$\eta = \text{feedback strength}$$

$$\tau = \text{feedback delay time}$$

$$\mu = \text{pump current}$$

μ = pump current (control parameter)



Model predictions



In experimental sequences of dropouts: which ones are deterministic and which ones are stochastic?

A. Torcini et al, Phys. Rev. A 74, 063801 (2006)

J. Zamora-Munt et al, Phys Rev A 81, 033820 (2010)



- Main problem: we can measure only one relevant variable (the laser intensity)
- Also a problem: the measure system (photodiode, oscilloscope) has a finite *bandwidth* that gives a limited temporal resolution.



Approach: event-level description. We study the sequence of inter-dropout-intervals: ΔT_i = t_{i+1} - t_i



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- It has been used to analyze data generated from complex systems
 - Financial, economical
 - Biological, life sciences
 - Geosciences, climate
 - Physics, chemistry, etc
- It has been shown to be able to:
 - Distinguish stochasticity and determinism
 - Classify different types of dynamical behaviors (pathological, healthy)
 - Quantify complexity
 - Identify coupling and directionality.

Brandt & Pompe, Phys. Rev. Lett. 88, 174102, (2002).



- "words" of D letters can be formed by considering the order relation between sets of D values {...x_i, x_{i+1}, x_{i+2}, ...}.
- For D=3 there are 6 possible orders



Example: the set (5, 1, 7) gives "102" because 1 < 5 < 7

- Advantage: the transformation keeps information about correlations in the time-series & does not need a threshold
- Drawback: it does not keep information about the values, the set (5,1,100) also gives word "102".



 $1 \quad 7 \quad 7 \quad 13 \quad 19 \quad 7$ $2 \quad 8 \quad 14 \quad 20 \quad 7$ **D=4** 3 9 9 15 21 4 10 16 22 5 11 17 17 23 6 12 18 24

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

- How to select D? Optimal D depends on:
 - The length of the time series.
 - The time scale of correlations.
- For optical spikes: D=2 (D=3) unveil correlations of 3 (4) spikes

Number of possible ordinal patterns: D!

	1	31 •••	61 •••	91 •••
	2	32 •••	62 •	92 ••••
D= 5	3	33 🛶 🔨	63 ••••	93 ••••
	4	34 ••••	64 ••••	94 ••••
	5	35 •••	65 ••••	95 ••••
	6	36	66	96
	7	37	67	97
	8	38	68	98
	9	39	69	99
	10	40	70	100
	11	41	71	101
	12	42	72	102
	13	43	73	103
	14	44	74	104
	15	45	75	105
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	19	49	79	109
	20	50	80	110
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	22	52		112
	23	53		113
	24			114
	25	55		116
	27	57	87	117
	28	58	88	118
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Experimental inter-dropout-intervals (IDIs in lasers – ISIs neurons)

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Laser output (1 GHz oscilloscope)

 $<\Delta T > = 100-200 \text{ ns}$ $\tau \sim 5 \text{ ns}$

of IDIs recorded 45,000 - 220000





IDI distributions

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Is there any **information** in the 'spike' sequence? Analogous to deciphering a foreign text.



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Correlations between 3 consecutive spikes: probabilities of 01 & 10

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D=2: 3-spike correlations? **Null hypothesis**: fully random sequence of spikes \Rightarrow P(01) = P(10)

N. Rubido et al, Phys. Rev. E 84, 026202 (2011)

Probabilities: 0.55 0.5 0.45 0.45 0.45 0.45 0.31 30 31 32 33 34 35 100.5

Consistent with stochastic at low pump current, but signatures of determinism at high pump current.

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At low pump current: are the spikes fully random? New experiment



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A. Aragoneses, N. Rubido, J. Tiana, M. C. Torrent and C. Masoller, Scientific Reports (2013)

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201

210



Also in another data set recorded at a different temperature (T=20 C)

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Are the deviations from the null hypothesis significant?

Recorded data

Surrogated data





Which dropouts are noise-induced and which ones are deterministic?

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Inter-spike-intervals (ns)

We use a **threshold** to classify the inter-dropoutintervals as **short** and **long** intervals



Constructing the words with 2 consecutive SIs or LIs

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- At high currents: significant differences
 - Lls consistent with random events
 - SIs more deterministic.
- But at low pump currents, the inter-spike-intervals can not be classified in two types with significant differences.



A. Aragoneses, N. Rubido, J. Tiana, M. C. Torrent and C. Masoller, Scientific Reports (2013)



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At high pump currents an adequate threshold allows classifying the events in two distinct categories



Press attention

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ÚLTIMA HORA España se medirá con Holanda, Chile y Australia en el Mundial

Investigadores de la UPC de Terrassa crean un nuevo método para identificar el orden dentro de sistemas caóticos complejos

La técnica se podría utilizar para estudiar el comportamiento de las redes sociales, los terremotos o de la actividad neuronal



J. S. / Terrassa

En la película 'Contact' (1997), protagonizada por Jodie Foster, el equipo de científicos que averiguan el origen y el significado de unas señales acústicas extraterrestres acaban por descubrir que detrás del ruido y de la frecuencia temporal de los sonidos escondían camufladas, entre un supuesto caos, imágenes de la Historia Contemporánea y los planos de una misteriosa esfera.

> Recientemente, y en la ciencia real, un equipo de investigadores del grupo de investigación Dinámica no Lineal. Óptica no Lineal y Láseres (DONLL) de la

> Catalunya · BarcelonaTech (UPC) en el Campus de Terrassa y de la Universidad de Aberdeen han conseguido con una nueva metodología mucho más sencilla que las que se utilizaban hasta ahora. separar el orden del caos. El trabajo se ha publicado en la prestigiosa revista 'Scientific Reports'.

> Los investigadores han desarrollado un método muy

accesible, tanto desde el punto de vista conceptual como do cálculo, con lo que han conarado en dos

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Cristina Masoller, Carme Torrent y Andrés Aragoneses, parte del equipo de la UPC de Terrassa que ha creado un nuevo método para identificar el orden dentro de sistema caóticos complejos UPC TERRASSA

La UPC crea un sistema para distinguir el orden del caos

La técnica podría ser útil en medicina y redes sociales

Redacción dades que se manifiesta con Un equipo de investigadores una distribución aleatoria y de del campus de la Universitat otro, el grupo de inestabilida-Politècnica de Catalunya des con una fase de secuencias (UPC), junto con científicos de y una estructura nítida. la Universidad de Aberdeen de Escocia. han desarrollado un que han llevado a cabo el tranuevo método, basado en la esbajo son Andrés Aragoneses, cala temporal, con el que se Cristina Masoller y Maria Carpuede distinguir comporta- me Torrent, del grupo de mientos ordenados dentro de Dinàmica no Lineal, Óptica no secuencias caóticas. El trabajo Lineal y Lásers (DONLL); y Jorse ha publicado en la revista de di Tiana-Alsina, del departareferencia "Scientific Reports". mento de Teoria del Señal y Co-Los científicos han consegui- municaciones. Ambos han lodía suave y tenue en medio

tificado el grupo de inestabiliminar unas estabilidades de las obras se basa en la escala temporal. El orden escondido provoca que las inestabilidades inducidas estén más juntas que las que están producidas de Los investigadores de la UPC forma aleatoria por el ruido. De hecho, nuestro método puede predecir que alteraciones están producidas por el ruido y cuá-

les inducidas". **EIEMPLOS PRÁCTICOS**

Sobre ello ha explicado que"es lo mismo que detectar una me-



Por la izquierda, los investigadores Cristina Masoller, Carme Torrent y Andrés Aragon



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Ordinal analysis unveils new information



There is a hierarchical and clustered organization of the probabilities of the words



In another experiment: also the same hierarchy and the same 2 clusters

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75,000 – 880,000 dropouts (different laser, new oscilloscope)



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Sensitivity to the threshold that defines the event times?

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The hierarchy and the clusters are robust to the threshold chosen to define the spike times



Can we find a minimal model that displays these features?





A modified circle map: minimal phenomenological model

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Minimal model for electroreceptors of paddlefish: A. B. Neiman and D. F. Russell, PRE 71, 061915 (2005)

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Periodic modulation of the laser current

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Experiment-model comparison

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Experiments @ 660 nm





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- We proposed a novel method to infer signatures of determinism in sequences of events in dynamical complex systems.
- Adequate for high-dimensional & stochastic systems displaying noise or deterministically induced events.
- We found new symbolic states with an hierarchical and clustered organization of the probabilities of the patterns.
- We identified a minimal phenomenological model.
- LK model is in good agreement with observations (not shown)
- Potential breakthrough: optical neurons for neuro-inspired information processing.





- Ordinal analysis is a powerful technique for the event-level description of complex systems
- useful for data understanding and uncovering patterns in the sequence of events,
- useful for improving system modeling, model comparison and parameter estimation,
- useful for classifying different types of behaviors,
- potential for improving event predictability and forecasting.







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