Comparing spatial networks: A 'one size fits all' efficiency-driven approach

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How can we **measure** (and **compare**) the performances of a spatial network?





Cost





The amount of resources available reverberates on the structure of the system



Detour index/distance ratio
$$e_{ij} = rac{d_{ij}}{l_{ij}} \in \ [0,1]$$

Global Efficiency

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Local Efficiency

$$E_{ ext{loc}} = rac{1}{N}\sum_{i=1}^{N}rac{1}{k_i\left(k_i-1
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Another measure of Efficiency

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Given a certain **layout** of nodes, $\tilde{\mathcal{L}}$, and a fixed **amount of resources**, $\tilde{\mathcal{L}_{tot}}$, can we find the set of connections that **maximizes** E_{int} ?

Network growth algorithm

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- 3. Repeat step 2 until $L_{ ext{tot}}(G) \simeq \tilde{L_{ ext{tot}}}$.





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Let's compare networks!

Data		
	description	time var. (# snap.)
UK Flights	Domestic flights in UK	✓ (4)
Cities	Road patterns in	✓ (4)
	Northern Italy	
Latium Vetus &	Trails among villages during	✓ (5 + 5)
South Etruria	the Iron Age (950 – 509 BC)	
Hispania	Main road network in the	×
	lberian peninsula during the	
	Roman Empire	
Catalonia Railway	—	×
Rome Railway		×
Power Grid	Italian power grid	×



Comparison between networks



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Summing up ...



performances at a global and local scale

A growth model maximizing integrated efficiency to gauge the performance of a network





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UK Air Data Available!



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