

# STRUCTURE-MEMORY (SM) as a universal graph model of the human memory

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## 1. Introduction

The memory is hardly separable part of the brain's activity, this is the reason of great challenge for the modelling. This paper is designed to demonstrate how fundamental psychological fact and important brain's activity can be simulated in a uniform mathematical model-system.

For this purpose I am suggesting one general way to project human memory on to a mathematical model, called STRUCTURE-MEMORY (SM) as in the headline of this paper.

As we know the human memory contains a lot of connections among the elements (for example: neurons) like the structure of system. For this structure and its functions modeling I use the graph theory.

## 2. The brain's activities what are the objects of our modelling

The fundamental activities of the human memory can be divided into the next three groups:

- the information reception and storing,
- the information recalling and
- the forgetting.

Here I should like to draw attention to a few basic quality of these activities.

### 2.1. The informations have different sign-intensity when they make receive into the memory.

The sign-intensity depends on

- how important is the information for the person,
- what is the person's general condition,
- how many times repeated the same information?

### 2.2. The information storing in the human memory is one of the greatest problem of the modelling.

- This is the consequence of enormous quantity and variety of informations,
- and being unlimited connections of theirs (it is the basis of association).

2.3. The fundamental principle of information recalling is the association.

In our discussion we have two type of associations:

- the **similarity-association** is called a recalling if two or more informations recall according to their connections of texts,
- the **in time-association** is called a recalling if two or more information recall because they was storing at the same time.

From the point of view of the chances of recalling be of special importance the **retroactive inhibition**.

2.4. The **forgetting** is a generic term, which have more type:

- as a result of brain damage,
- as a result of brain's inactivity,
- as a result of retroactive inhibition,
- as a result of repression.

Over the next time I should like to demonstrate a structural modelling method to simulate the psychological phenomena according to the above.

### 3. The mathematical model of STRUCTURE-MEMORY (SM)

The mathematical model build up to the graph theory. Before the mathematical modelling I have to describe an axiom:

*To each informations (which we are storing in meory) we have clearly assigned one multi graph.*

Denote the informations as  $I_1, I_2, \dots, I_j, \dots$ , the graph which assign to  $I_j$  information as  $G_j$  and the multi graph which assign to STRUCTURAL-MEMORY (in a shorter form: SM) as  $G_{SM}$ .

Let  $G_{SM} = (P_{SM}, E_{SM})$  where

$$(1) \quad P_{SM} = \{P_1, P_2, \dots, P_n\}$$

$$(2) \quad E_{SM} \subseteq P_{SM} \times P_{SM}$$

namely  $P_{SM}$  is the set of the vertices and  $E_{SM}$  is the set of arcs („ $\times$ ” is the Cartesian product of two sets).  $G_{SM}$  is a multi graph with labelled vertices and colored arcs. Colour arcs of  $G_j$  graph assigned to  $I_j$  information the "*j colour*", namely the *j label* are assigned to each arcs of  $G_j$ . Let define the sum (denote:  $\oplus$ ) of two  $G_i = (P_i, E_i)$ ,  $G_j = (P_j, E_j)$  graphs:

$$(3) \quad G_i \oplus G_j = (P_i \cup P_j, E_i \cup E_j)$$

where  $\cup$  is *extended-union* as I called, which definition is as follows:

$$(4) \quad E_i \cup E_j = (E_i \cup E_j) \cup (E_i \cap E_j)$$

Thus  $E_i \cup E_j$  set contains the arcs of  $E_i \cap E_j$  with twice multiplicity. If SM stored in a concret time the  $I_1, I_2, \dots, I_k$  informations, then

$$(5) \quad G_{SM} = G_1 \oplus G_2 \oplus \dots \oplus G_k$$

namely

$$(6) \quad P_{SM} = P_1 \cup P_2 \cup \dots \cup P_k$$

$$(7) \quad E_{SM} = E_1 \cup E_2 \cup \dots \cup E_k$$

For example in the graph on Fig.1.:  $k=3, P_{SM} = \{A, B, C, D, E, F\}$ ,

$$E_1 = \longrightarrow \quad E_2 = \cdots \longrightarrow \quad E_3 = \dashrightarrow$$

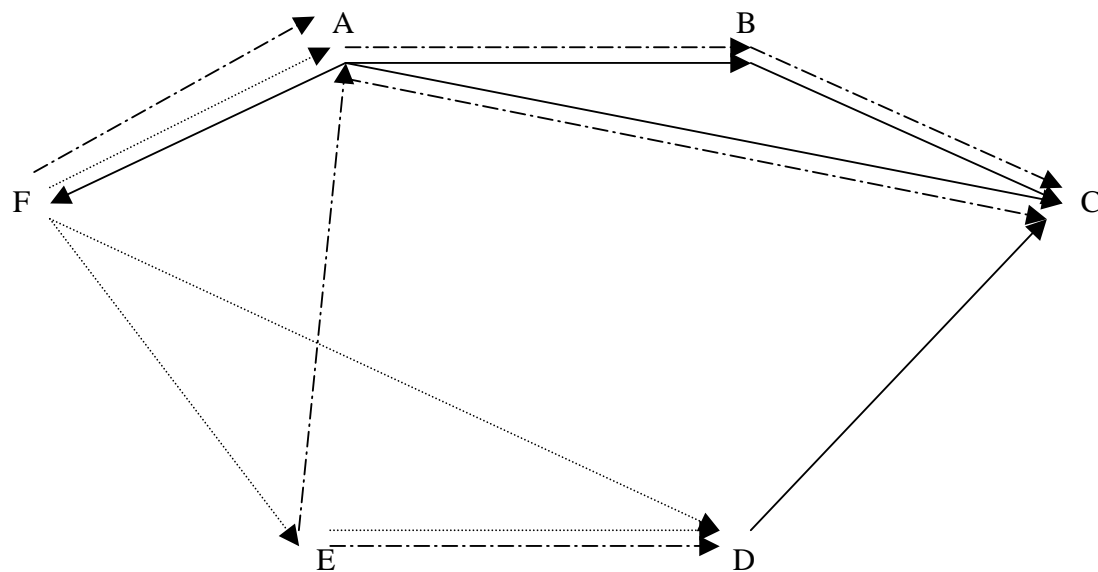


Fig. 1.

Easy to see, if  $|P_{SM}| = n$  is the cardinality of set  $P_{SM}$ , then the maximum number of different information in SM is  $2^{n^2}$ , because it is the number of different graphs on  $n$  vertices. If  $k = 2^{n^2}$  is the number of the informations in SM, then

$$(8) \quad n = \sqrt{\log_2 k}$$

So, if we take it that in every seconds  $10^6$  informations stored in SM until 200 years, then the number of graphs in  $G_{SM}$  (denote:  $k$ ):

$$(9) \quad k = 200 \cdot 10^6 \cdot 3600 \cdot 24 \cdot 352 = 10^{15} \cdot 6.08256$$

In this case according to (8) we get the next value for  $n$ :

$$(10) \quad n = \sqrt{\log_2(10^{15} \cdot 6.08256)} \approx 7.2411$$

namely the  $G_{SM}$  which represents an SM storer with (9) number of informations just need  $n=8$  vertices.

#### 4. The activities of human memory described by the mathematical model

Let denote the weight of  $(p_u p_v)$  arc of  $G_i$  graph with symbol  $s_{uv}^i$ . Let the weight of  $(p_u p_v)$  arc of  $G_{SM}$  graph be

$$(11) \quad s_{uv}^{SM} = \begin{cases} \prod_{i=1}^k s_{uv}^i & \text{if } \forall s_{uv}^i \neq 0 \\ 0 & \text{if } \exists 1 \leq i \leq k : s_{uv}^i = 0 \end{cases}$$

where  $k$  is the number of informations in SM at a concret time.

##### 4.1.

According to the quality under clause 2.1. in our model, the weight of arc has a quality and a structural component (denote these one with symbols  $\alpha_{uv}^i, \beta_{uv}^i$ ) for the case of  $s_{uv}^i$  weight.

Thus the criterion under clause 2.1. means that the  $\beta$ -type weight component of arcs of any  $G_i$  graph has possible different values just at the time of storing. In addition I note that the colouring of arcs represents the time ordering.

##### 4.2.

We now turn to the problem of association (see under clause 2.3.) and the information recalling. What is the problem of information recalling?

Given an input information  $I_j$ , which represents the  $G_j$  graph. Find an information (it represents  $G_i$ ) with much similarity to  $G_j$ . Let see the association algorithm in our model. Consider the  $G_i$  graph which satisfy

$$(12) \quad \forall G_r : G_r \neq G_i, G_r \neq G_j \Rightarrow |E_j \cap E_i| \geq |E_j \cap E_r|$$

If we have more than one graphs with (12) property (let denote these  $G_i$  and  $G_t$ ), then the associated graph  $G_j'$  as follows:

$$(13) \quad s_i = \sum_{(p_u p_r) \in E_i} s_{uv}^{SM}$$

$$(14) \quad s_t = \sum_{(p_u p_r) \in E_t} s_{uv}^{SM}$$

$$(15) \quad G'_j = G_i \Leftrightarrow s_i \succ s_t$$

If  $s_i = s_t$ , then

$$(16) \quad G'_j = G_i \Leftrightarrow t \prec i$$

The relation  $t \prec i$  is everyting decidable, because  $t, i$  are the colouring of arcs, which represents the time of storing. Easy to see that the *in time-association* (see under clause 2.3.) is generalizing of (12)-(16) as we define

$$(17) \quad I_r \in H_T \Leftrightarrow j - T \leq r$$

where  $j$  is a given moment of the in time-association,  $T$  is a time period ( $j-T, j$ ) and  $H_T$  is the set of informations which have stored in  $T$  time period. The summary of simulations of association in our model is shown in Fig. 2.

<i>Association type</i>	<i>Order of selecting</i>
similarity	(12) – (15) – (16)
in time	(17) – (15) – (12)

Fig. 2.

Now consider the simulate of retroactive inhibition. Let  $G_j = (P_j, E_j)$  be a stimulating graph and  $G'_j = (P'_j, E'_j)$  is associated to  $G_j$ . From the procedure of information's storing (see clause 3.), it follows that

$$(18) \quad (p_u p_r) \in E_j \cap E'_j \Rightarrow (s_{uv}^{SM})_j \prec (s_{uv}^{SM})_j$$

where  $(s_{uv}^{SM})_j$  and  $(s_{uv}^{SM})_j$  are the weights of  $(p_u p_v)$  arc of  $G_{SM}$  as we defined in (11). According to the retroactive inhibition the process of changing on  $G_j$  and  $G'_j$  such that

$$(19) \quad (p_u p_v) \in E_j \Rightarrow (s_{uv}^j)_j \prec (s_{uv}^j)_{j-\varepsilon}$$

$$(20) \quad (p_u p_v) \in E'_j \Rightarrow (s_{uv}^j)_j \gg (s_{uv}^j)_j$$

where  $\gg$  denotes the "even less than" relation and  $j - \varepsilon$  denotes the moment of a little bit before until  $j$  time.

From the (19), (20) statements we obtain the main characterisation of the phenomena:

$$(21) \quad E_j \cap E'_j \rightarrow 0 \Rightarrow (s_{uv}^j)_j \rightarrow (s_{uv}^j)_j \text{ and } (s_{uv}^j)_j \rightarrow (s_{uv}^j)_{j-\varepsilon}$$

We shall now study the properties of the repeat of information. Clearly if  $I_i = I_j$  and  $i < j$ , then  $G_i = G_j$  and according to (21) we obtain:

$$(22) \quad (p_u p_v) \in E_i \Rightarrow s_{uv}^i = 0$$

$$(23) \quad (p_u p_v) \in E_j \Rightarrow (s_{uv}^j)_j \ll (s_{uv}^j)_{j-\varepsilon}$$

and from (18) it follows that

$$(24) \quad (p_u p_v) \in (E_i \cap E_j) = E_j \Rightarrow (s_{uv}^{SM})_i \ll (s_{uv}^{SM})_j$$

Here I should like to draw attention that if we increase the number of repeating, namely  $I_1 = I_2 = \dots = I_t$  and  $t \rightarrow \infty$ , then according to the (22), (23), (18) statements we obtain that:

$$(25) \quad (p_u p_v) \in E_r \Rightarrow s_{uv}^r = 0 \quad (1 \leq r \leq t)$$

$$(26) \quad (p_u p_v) \in E_t \Rightarrow s_{uv}^t \rightarrow 0$$

$$(27) \quad (p_u p_v) \in E_t \Rightarrow s_{uv}^{SM} \rightarrow \infty$$

Consequently the retroactive inhibition is mixing of the association and forgetting.

#### 4.3.

We shall now discuss the problem of forgetting. Assign to SM an RG generator which makes random graphs on  $n$  vertices of  $G_{SM}$  such that every random graphs have same probability.

Clearly, this probability is  $\frac{1}{2^{n^2}}$  (see clause 3.).

Let  $\Gamma_z$  be a random graph which makes RG at the  $z$  moment and let the weight of each arcs of  $\Gamma_z$  be 1. If  $G_i$  is the associated graph to  $\Gamma_z$  (see clause 4.2.), then

$$(28) \quad (p_u p_v) \in E_i \text{ and } (s_{uv}^{SM})_i \neq 0 \Rightarrow (s_{uv}^{SM})_z = (s_{uv}^{SM})_i - 1$$

Clearly from the (28), (19), (20) statements that it is possible the weight of some arcs of  $G_{SM}$  turn into zero, namely it means disappearance of these arcs. This property demonstrates that owing to forgetting (simulated with (28)), the structure of  $G_{SM}$  is changing.

So it is possible that  $G_{SM}$  be converted into disconnected, consequently the chains of associations be cut off. This consequence leads on to the field of thinking, but it is not the theme in this paper. As we shown by this property, that our model is more general just like the simulated of memory.

### 5. Basic theorem of structures storing to SM

I described my one axiom in start of clause 3. It is enable to assign a  $G_j$  multi graph to the  $I_j$  information. But the question is the following:

How should the  $G_j$  graph (which represents the  $I_j$  information) be stored to the SM ?

#### Definition 1.

Two graphs  $G_j$  and  $G_k$  are said to be isomorphic (let denote:  $\cong$ ), if they have the same number of arcs and if there exists a bijection  $\rho$  such that

$$(29) \quad G_j \cong G_k \Rightarrow \exists \rho : P_j \rightarrow P_k$$

$$(30) \quad \forall p \in P_j \Rightarrow \exists! q \in P_k : \rho(p) = q$$

$$(31) \quad (pp') \in E_j \Leftrightarrow (\rho(p)\rho(p')) \in E_k$$

#### Remark:

A special type of isomorphysm, if  $\rho$  is identical, namely

$$(32) \quad \forall p_i \in P_j \Rightarrow \rho(p_i) = p_i \in P_k$$

#### Definition 2.

Let  $G_i$  and  $G_j$  be two arbitrary graphs and let  $\rho : G_j \rightarrow G'_j = (P'_j, E'_j)$  be a transformation in which case the  $G'_j \cap G_i$  is maximal, namely

$$(33) \quad \rho : G_j \rightarrow G'_j = (P'_j, E'_j) \Rightarrow \forall \rho^* : G_j \rightarrow G^*_j = (P^*_j, E^*_j), \rho^* \neq \rho \Rightarrow |E_j \cap E'_j| \geq |E_j \cap E^*_j|$$

Then the isomorphic level of two graphs  $G_i$  and  $G_j$  is the cardinality of  $E_j \cap E'_j$  set (denote:  $m(G_i, G_j)$ ), namely

$$(34) \quad m(G_i, G_j) = |E_j \cap E'_j|$$

Now let see the algorithm of the storing of  $G_j$  graph to SM (the denotes I use like in the definitions). Consider the  $\rho_u$  ( $u = 1, 2, \dots, r$ ) transformations. Let  $G_j$  is the input graph and  $G'_{SM}$  is the result of procedure, then

$$(35) \quad \begin{aligned} \rho_u(G_j) = G'_j = (P'_j, E'_j) &\Rightarrow \forall p_s \in P'_j \cap P_{i_u} \Rightarrow \\ &\Rightarrow \exists! p_t \in P_j : \rho_u(p_t) = p_s \Rightarrow t' = s, \text{ otherwise } t' = t \end{aligned}$$

$$(36) \quad G'_{SM} = G_{SM} \oplus G_{i_u}$$

***The following is the main theorem of the structures storing to SM:***

***Let  $G_j$  and  $G_i$  be two graphs. If  $G_j \cong G_i$ , then  $G_j$  and  $G_i$  are storing to SM with equivalent labels of vertices.***

I draw ahead of the proof of this theorem owing to lack of space. But I have some final remarks to the consequences of this theorem.

**Remarks:**

1. The consequence of the theorem we obtain that in SM come into being the functional blocks. This property of the brain is well-know in the medical science.
2. From the storing method (see (35), (36)) implies too, that in SM come into being overlapping functional blocks. According to this property we can modeling the storing of associations among the informations at the time of storing.

Finally I note that in this paper my aim is to demonstrate how brain's activity can be simulated by the SM. Furthermore the graph theory as the mathematical model of SM is well-fitted to modeling this one.

