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Abstract

Emergence—the formation of novel, unpredictable patterns from the interaction of simpler components—remains the central unsolved problem across physics, chemistry, and complexity science. This work introduces the Universal Emergence Dynamics Protocol (UEDP), the first mathematically unified framework to bridge local temporal instability with global relational structure in a single computable law. The UEDP achieves this by segmenting event sequences (x) into multiple configurations (τm*) and quantifying system dynamics via a Hybrinear Function (F*final) that integrates Linear (L*m), Nonlinear (NL*m), and Hybrid (H*m) contributions. Crucially, the protocol defines the Sequential Instability Index (I*seq), which fuses magnitude, directional, and reversal instability metrics. This index parameterizes the Dynamis Field (Ω*dynamics) via Ω*dynamics^−κI*seq which quantifies the system's dynamic coherence. This architecture culminates in the Minimum Effort Transition Path (METP) variational principle: METP ≈ ∑{i=1}*^{T} [1−Ω*dynamics(*ti)] Δt*i. METP generalizes the Principle of Least Action to far-from-equilibrium systems, where the path minimizes the dissipation of dynamic complexity (instability) rather than thermodynamic energy. The protocol establishes a Universal Dynamic Threshold at Ω*crit = 1/e ≈ 0.368, marking the precise transition point from predictable, structured dynamics to stochastic, Latent Emergence (LE*multi). By simultaneously modeling the sequence, the direction (d*i ∈ {−1, 0, +1}), and the outcome, UEDP provides a mechanistic, predictive, and universally applicable law for self-organization, structure formation, and generative transitions in complex systems.

Guidelines

- **The Dynamis Field (Ω*dynamics*):** ***T****his is a new Dynamic Coherence Potential, measuring dynamic structure and predictability. Its exponential decay with instability (I*seq) is a foundational insight into how dynamic complexity dissipates, offering a bridge between physics (turbulent flow) and information theory (system coherence).

- **Universal Instability Boundary:** The threshold Ω_crit = $1/e^{10}$ provides a precise, information-theoretic boundary for predicting phase transitions, defining when a system moves from predictable, Linear/Nonlinear dynamics to a chaotic, Hybrid/Emergent state.

Before start

Step 1: Define variables

- Let the sequence of events be: x = [x_1, x_2, ..., x_N]
  - d_j ∈ {-1, 0, +1} → direction of event (j)
  - x_j → magnitude of event
  - x_0 = 0 → base for differences
  - Observed outcome: O_obs

Notes:

Variable	Description	Definition
x = [x1, x2, ..., xN]	The ordered sequence of $NS events.	xi is the signed value (position/displacement) of event j.
x0	Base value for the initial difference.	x0 = 0 (Explicitly set).
Δj	The fundamental difference between consecutive events.	Δj = xj - xj-1 (Calculated from j=1 to N)
dj	Direction of the transition/change.	d_j = Δj ∈ -1, 0, +1

Step 2: Linear, Nonlinear, Hybrid contributions

- Step 2: Define and Identify Multiple Configurations
  - a. Segmentation: Identify M distinct segments (configurations) by finding optimal change points {tm} that minimize the fit error across the sequence x.
  - This allows identification of any number of configurations.
  - **Formula (Change Point Detection):** \[\min_{(M, \tau_m)_{m=0}^{M}} \sum_{m=0}^{M} \cos f_t (x_{\tau_m}, x_{\tau_{m+1}}) + \text{Penalty}_{y_{complexity}}(M) \]
  - b. Local Contributions: Calculate Linear (L_m), Nonlinear (NL_m), and Hybrid (H_m) contributions for each segment m (from tm to tm+1).
  - Captures direct influence of magnitude and direction, bounded by magnitude sum

Nonlinear contribution (NL)

Local Linear contribution (Lm) Lm = \[\frac{\sum*{j \in \text{Segm}} |\Delta j| \gamma}{\sum*{j \in \text{Segm}} |\Delta j| \gamma + \epsilon'} \]

Captures the direct influence of magnitude and direction for segment m, representing the smooth, underlying trend

- Captures interactions, abrupt changes, surprises

Hybrid contribution (H)

\[H*{x*{\text{signed}}}^{\lambda} \]

captures how much direction-sensitive informational complexity is generated by the pattern of zeros, positive signals, and negative signals within a segment.

Step 3: Combine contributions

We want a **hybrinear function** (linear + nonlinear + interaction):

Step 3: Combine Local Contributions into a Hybrinear Function The predicted outcome (F*pred*multi) is the weighted sum of all local contributions, scaled by segment length.

\[F_{pred_{multi}} = \sum_{m=0}^{M} \left(\frac{\text{Length } h_m}{N} \right) \cdot (\alpha \cdot L_m + \beta \cdot NL_m + \delta \cdot H_m) \]

\(\alpha, \beta, \delta \) = weighting coefficients for linear, nonlinear, hybrid contributions

Can be tuned depending on importance of each aspect

Step 4: Include outcome / latent emergence

Include Outcome / Latent Emergence Let latent emergence (LE_multi) be:

\[LE*{multi} = O*{obs} - F*{pred*{multi}} \]

F*final = F*pred*multi + \eta \cdot LE*multi \(\eta \) = scaling factor for latent emergence influence

We can include emergence as modifier to adjust final rating:

\[F*{final} = F*{pred} + \eta \cdot LE \]

- \(\eta \) = scaling factor for latent emergence influence

Step 5: Dominant direction contribution

Identify Multiple Dominant Configurations Identify the dominant contribution for each segment (configuration)

Dominance Score m= \(\alpha Z*{Lm} + \beta Z*{NLm} + \delta Z*{Hm} + \gamma Y*{LNLmZNLm} + \gamma Y*{LHLmZHm} + \gamma Y*{HNLmZHm} \)

Term	Components	Effect Captured
\(\lambda \{LN\} \)	L and NL	Synergy or Conflict: If both \(Z*{Lm} \) and \(Z*{NLm} \) are high (positive), their product is large and positive. If \(\lambda \{LN\} \) is positive, it signifies that high L and high NL together create

an impact greater than the sum of their individual effects (a synergistic or "hybrinear" effect). If \(\lambda \{LN\} \) is negative, it suggests a trade-off or conflicting relationship. |
| \(\lambda \{LH\} \) | L and H | The combined impact of Linear and Holistic components. |
| \(\lambda \{NH\} \) | NL and H | The combined impact of Non-Linear and Holistic components. |

Step 6: Full comprehensive formula

Lm = \(\sum_{j \in \text{Segm}} d_j \cdot x_j \sum_{j \in \text{Segm}} x_j + \epsilon \)

Δj = dj (xj - xj-1), x0 = 0

NLm = \(\sum*{j \in \text{Segm}} |\Delta j| \sum*{j \in \text{Segm}} |\Delta j| + \epsilon' \)

Hm = \(\tanh(|\text{Segm}|) \cdot \text{Count of Zeroes in Segm} + \epsilon \)

F*pred*multi = \(\sum*{m=0}^{M} \left(\frac{\text{Length } m}{N} \right) \cdot (\alpha \cdot L*m + \beta \cdot NL*m + \delta \cdot H*m) \)

LE*multi = \(O*{obs} - F*{pred*multi} \)

F*final = \(F*{pred*multi} + \eta \cdot LE*multi \)

Dominant Contribution m = \(\text{argmax}(\alpha |L_m|, \beta |NL_m|, \delta |H_m|) \)

Step 7: Finalized Adaptive Emergence Metric / Objective Function

\[J(C) = \frac{1}{\dot{\iota} C \dot{\nu}} \sum*{i \in C} \left(\Delta E*i \right) \cdot S(1 - \alpha |A*i + \alpha M*i \dot{\iota} \right) \]

Step 7: Sequential Instability Index (ISeq)

ISeq=wAA+wBB+wCC|ISeq| = w_A A + w_B B + w_C C|ISeq=wAA+wBB+wCC

The components of sequential instability should be explicitly linked to the segmented hybrinear metrics:

- **Magnitude Instability A:**
  - A=Var(Lm)A = Var(L_m)A=Var(Lm)

- **Directional Instability B:**
  - B=mean(BDDI)=mean(1−cosθj)

  where θj is derived from direction vectors based on djd_jdj.

- **Reversal Intensity C:**
  - C=S+1C = \frac{S}{S + 1}

  where S = number of sign changes in the direction sequence (d_j).

Procedure

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LE_multi = \(O_{obs} - Fpred_multi \)
Ffinal = \(Fpred*multi + \eta \cdot LE*multi \)
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3 Finalized Adaptive Emergence Metric / Objective Function
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Component	Definition/Meaning	What it Captures
C	The **set of all configurations** in the system (analogous to segments m in the provided	Captures the entire system structure, including both **known** and **latent/emergent** configurations.
	C	
$\sum \square_i \epsilon C$	The sum over all configurations.	Captures the **Total System Utility** by aggregating the weighted contribution of every configuration.
Component	Definition/Meaning	What it Captures
ΔE_i	The Change in Outcome/Utility for configuration i	Captures the Raw Utility or inherent physical outcome (e.g., energy change, yield, profit) of the configuration. Crucially, it can be Positive, Negative, or Zero, addressing the requirement that all three values are significant.

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6 ΩDynamics=Ψe^−λISeq.

8. METP – Minimum Energy Transition Path

7 Discrete Approximation and Choice of 1/e

For empirical use, replace the continuous path integral:

METP=∫γ^☐ *1−ΩDynamic*s(t)d^γr

with a discrete approximation:

METP≈∑*{t=1}^{T} (1−ΩDynamics(t)) Δt*t

Path parameter γ: Specify γ↑gamma_tγt as time, sequence index, or configuration index depending on the system.

Justification of critical constant \(\frac{1}{e} \Omega*{crit}=\frac{1}{e} \) The threshold \(\frac{1}{e}\Omega*{crit}=\frac{1}{e} \) is grounded in:

exponential decay regimes in dynamical systems

information-theoretic thresholds where 1/e1/e1/e marks transition from structured to stochastic

stability theory where damping reaches "certainty of transition" at e−1e^{−1}e−1

This clarifies why the model adopts 1/e1/e1/e as the universal instability boundary.

8 Notes / Interpretation

Linear (L) → direct, proportional influence of each event

Nonlinear (NL) → captures sudden changes, interactions, surprises

Hybrid (H) → frequency, zeros, configuration novelty

Direction (d) → +1, 0, -1 treated as significant

Latent emergence (LE) → outcome differs from prediction → identifies hidden patterns

Dominant contribution → discovers which configuration type drives your rating

This single formula addresses:

Linear / nonlinear / hybrid simultaneously

Positive / negative / zero events

Sequence and configurations

Outcome comparison → latent emergence

Identifies which factor dominates the effect