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3 **Partial entropy decomposition reveals higher-order structures in human brain activity**

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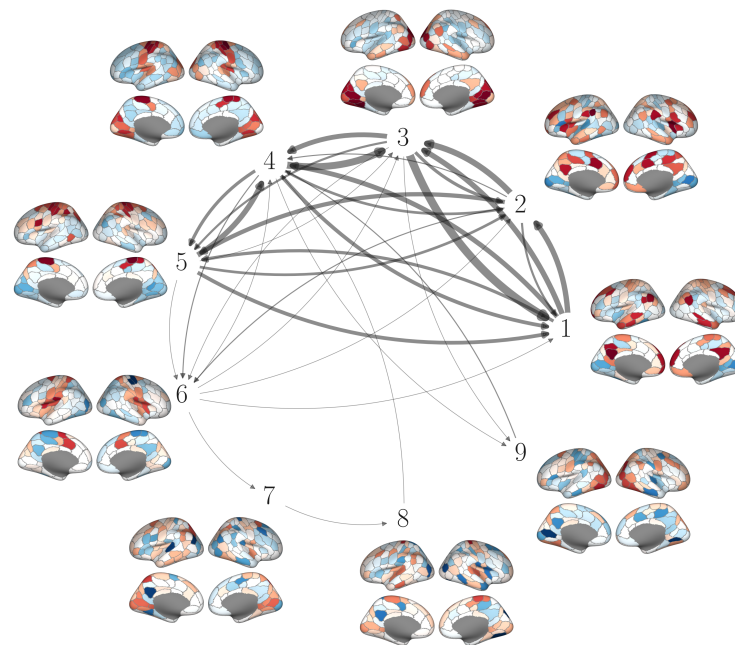


Fig. S1. State-to-state transitions. For each of the nine distinct states, we can see how many times each state transitions another (self-loops are not shown for visual clarity). We can see that the various states have meaningful differences between each-other (e.g. the visual system or the somato-motor systems both transition from redundancy- to synergy-dominated configurations over time), however, within a state, the patterns are largely symmetrical across hemispheres.

12 2. Partial Entropy Decomposition

13 The *partial entropy decomposition* (PED) provides a framework with which we can extract *all* of the meaningful structure
 14 in a system of interacting random variables (1). By structure, we are referring to the (possibly higher-order) patterns of
 15 information-sharing between elements. Consider a system $\mathbf{X} = \{X_1, X_2, \dots, X_N\}$, comprised of N interacting, discrete random
 16 variables: the set of all informative relationships between elements (and ensembles of elements) in \mathbf{X} forms its structure. We
 17 begin by defining the total entropy of \mathbf{X} using the Shannon entropy:

$$18 \quad \mathcal{H}(\mathbf{X}) := - \sum_{\mathbf{x} \in \mathfrak{X}} \mathcal{P}(\mathbf{x}) \log_2 \mathcal{P}(\mathbf{x}) \quad [1]$$

19 Where \mathbf{x} indicates a particular configuration of \mathbf{X} and \mathfrak{X} is the support set of \mathbf{X} . This joint entropy quantifies, on average,
 20 how much it is possible to know about \mathbf{X} (i.e. how many bits of information would be required, on average, to reduce our
 21 uncertainty to zero). The entropy is a summary statistic describing an entire distribution $\mathcal{P}(X)$:

$$22 \quad \mathcal{H}(\mathbf{X}) = \mathbb{E}[-\log_2 \mathcal{P}(\mathbf{x})] \quad [2]$$

23 Where $-\log_2 \mathcal{P}(x)$ is the *local entropy* $h(\mathbf{x})$. We can intuitively understand the local entropy with the logic of local
 24 probability mass exclusions (2, 5). Suppose that we observe $\mathbf{X} = \mathbf{x}$. Upon observing \mathbf{x} , we can immediately *rule out* the
 25 possibility that \mathbf{X} is in any state $\neg\mathbf{x}$, and by ruling out those possibilities, we exclude all the probability mass associated with
 26 $\mathcal{P}(\mathbf{X} = \neg\mathbf{x})$. If $\mathcal{P}(\mathbf{x})$ is very low, then upon learning $\mathbf{X} = \mathbf{x}$, we exclude a large amount of probability mass ($1 - \mathcal{P}(\mathbf{x})$), and
 27 consequently, $h(\mathbf{x})$ is high. Conversely, if $\mathcal{P}(\mathbf{x})$ is large, then only a small amount of probability mass is excluded, and so $h(\mathbf{x})$
 28 is low.

29 **A. Quantifying Shared Entropy.** The measure $h(\mathbf{x})$ is a very crude one: it gives us a single summary statistic that describes the
 30 behaviour of the whole without making reference to the structure of the relationships between \mathbf{x} 's constituent elements. If
 31 \mathbf{X} has some non-trivial structure that integrates multiple elements (or ensembles of elements), then we propose that those
 32 elements must share entropy. This notion of shared entropy forms the cornerstone of the PED. The way all of the parts of
 33 \mathbf{X} share entropy forms the structure of the system. In the original proposal of the PED by Ince (1), shared entropy (\mathcal{H}_{cs})
 34 was defined using the local co-information, which treats the entropy of variables as sets and defines the shared entropy using
 35 inclusion-exclusion criteria. Unfortunately, as discussed by Finn and Lizier, the set-theoretic interpretation of multivariate
 36 mutual information is complex, as both the expected and local co-information can be negative (6), and the PED computed
 37 using Ince's proposed method can result in negative values that are difficult to interpret.

38 Here, we propose an alternative way to operationalize the notion of redundant entropy by saying that two variables
 39 $X_1, X_2 \in \mathbf{X}$ share entropy if they induce the same exclusions: i.e. if learning X_1 or X_2 rules out the same configurations of the
 40 whole (5). Our goal, then, becomes to determine how the entropy of the whole is parcellated out over (potentially multivariate)
 41 sharing modes between parts.

P	X_1	X_2
P_{00}	0	0
P_{01}	0	1
P_{10}	1	0
P_{11}	1	1

Table S1. Joint entropy of two discrete random variables that together make up the macro-variable \mathbf{X} .

42 In our toy system given by Table S1, suppose we learn that $X_1 = 0$ OR $X_2 = 0$. Only one global state is excluded: $\mathbf{X} = (1, 1)$
 43 is incompatible with both possibilities, regardless of which is true. Consequently we are only excluding P_{11} from the overall
 44 distribution. We can quantify this shared entropy using the *local entropy of shared exclusions* h_{sx} :

$$45 \quad h_{sx}^{\mathbf{x}}(\{1\}\{2\}) = -\log_2 \mathcal{P}(x_1 \cup x_2) \quad [3]$$

46 Here, we are adapting the partial entropy notation first introduced by Ince in (15). The function $h_{sx}^{\mathbf{x}}(\{1\}\{2\})$ quantifies
 47 the total probability mass of $\mathcal{P}(\mathbf{X})$ excluded by learning either $X_1 = x_1$ or $X_2 = x_2$. Said differently, it is the amount of
 48 information that could be learned from either variable alone. Importantly, while it *is* a measure of dependency, it is distinct
 49 from the classic mutual information. Unlike the h_{cs} function (1) (and several other redundant mutual information functions, e.g.
 50 (7, 9, 15)), our measure h_{sx} operates on the entire joint probability distribution, rather than demanding that redundancy be a
 51 function of the pairwise marginals. This sets it apart from other redundancy functions, although it is not unique in this regard
 52 (the i_{sx} redundancy function shares this property). For a more detailed discussion of this issue, see Supplementary Material.

53 So far, we have restricted our examples to the simple case of two variables, x_1 and x_2 , however, we are interested in
 54 the general case of information common to arbitrarily large, potentially overlapping subsets of a system that has adopted a
 55 particular state \mathbf{x} . This requires first enumerating the set of subsets, \mathbf{s} , which we will call the set of *sources*. It is equivalent to
 56 the power set of \mathbf{x} , excluding the empty set. For example, if $\mathbf{x} = \{x_1, x_2, x_3\}$, then the source set \mathbf{s} is equal to:

$$\mathbf{s} = \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \{x_1\}, \{x_2\}, \{x_3\}, \\ \{x_1, x_2\}, \{x_1, x_3\}, \{x_2, x_3\}, \\ \{x_1, x_2, x_3\} \end{array} \right\} \quad [4]$$

We are interested in how collections of sources $\mathbf{a} \in \mathbf{s}$ might share entropy (i.e. to what extent they exclude the same possible global configurations of \mathbf{x}), which allows us to write our redundant entropy function in full generality. For a collection of sources $\{\mathbf{a}_1, \dots, \mathbf{a}_k\}$:

$$h_{sx}(\mathbf{a}_1, \dots, \mathbf{a}_k) := \log_2 \frac{1}{\mathcal{P}(\mathbf{a}_1 \cup \dots \cup \mathbf{a}_k)} \quad [5]$$

h_{sx} can be interpreted in terms of logical conjunctions and disjunctions of variables (12). Consider the example: $h_{sx}(\{x_1\}\{x_2, x_3\})$, which quantifies the amount of probability mass about the state of the whole that would be excluded by observing just the part x_1 **or** the joint state of x_2 **and** x_3 . This relationship between probability mass exclusions on one hand, and formal logic on the other, places h_{sx} on a sound conceptual footing. While initially defined locally, it is possible to compute an expected value \mathcal{H}_{sx} for a joint distribution:

$$\mathcal{H}_{sx}(\mathbf{A}_1, \dots, \mathbf{A}_k) := \mathbb{E}[h_{sx}(\mathbf{a}_1, \dots, \mathbf{a}_k)] \quad [6]$$

The function h_{sx} is derived from prior work by Makkeh et al. (3), who proposed a redundant information (rather than entropy) function, i_{sx} . This function decomposes the information that a set of sources discloses about a single target, and they noted that if the target was the joint state of all the sources, then the result was a decomposition of the joint entropy of the whole. This is based on the identity that $i(x_1, \dots, x_k; \mathbf{x}) = h(\mathbf{x})$ (where $\mathbf{x} = \{x_1, \dots, x_k\}$). Formally:

$$h_{sx}(\mathbf{a}_1, \dots, \mathbf{a}_k) = i_{sx}(\mathbf{a}_1, \dots, \mathbf{a}_k; \boldsymbol{\alpha}) \quad [7]$$

This framing makes it intuitively clear that the redundant entropy is the information about the whole that could be learned by observing any of the component parts. While this relationship was noted in (3) and termed h_{sx} , it was not explored in any detail. We have opted to retain their nomenclature (h_{sx}) in our study of the function. For a deeper analysis of the relationship between i_{sx} and h_{sx} , see the Supplementary Material.

B. The Partial Entropy Lattice. Our function h_{sx} has a number of appealing mathematical properties, which collectively satisfy the set of Axioms initially introduced by Williams & Beer for the problem of information decomposition (4) as applied to local information (2, 3):

Symmetry: h_{sx} is invariant under permutation of its argument: $h_{sx}(\mathbf{a}_1, \dots, \mathbf{a}_k) = h_{sx}(\sigma(\mathbf{a}_1), \dots, \sigma(\mathbf{a}_k))$

Monotonicity: h_{sx} decreases as more sources are added: $h_{sx}(\mathbf{a}_1, \dots, \mathbf{a}_k) \leq h_{sx}(\mathbf{a}_1, \dots, \mathbf{a}_k, \mathbf{a}_{k+1})$

Self-redundancy: In the special case of a single source, h_{sx} is equivalent to the classic local Shannon entropy: $h_{sx}(\mathbf{a}) = h(\mathbf{a})$.

For proof of these, see (3) Appendix A. Based on these properties, it is possible to specify the domain of h_{sx} (all non-degenerate combinations of sources) in terms of a partially-ordered lattice structure \mathfrak{A} (2, 4). One of the core insights of Williams and Beer was that if one source $\mathbf{a} \subset \mathbf{b}$, then the information about some third source \mathbf{c} redundantly disclosed by \mathbf{a} or \mathbf{b} is equivalent to the information disclosed by \mathbf{a} alone. Consequently, we do not have to compute the redundancy for all possible combination of sources, only all those collections such that no component source is a superset of any other:

$$\mathfrak{A} = \{\boldsymbol{\alpha} \in \mathbb{P}_1(\mathbf{s}) : \forall \mathbf{a}_i, \mathbf{a}_j \in \boldsymbol{\alpha}, \mathbf{a}_i \not\subset \mathbf{a}_j\} \quad [8]$$

Where $\mathbb{P}_1(\mathbf{s})$ indicates the power set of \mathbf{s} , excluding the empty set. For an in-depth derivation of the lattice, see (2, 4, 12), for a visualization of the lattice, see Fig. S2. The value of any element $h_{\partial}(\boldsymbol{\alpha})$ on the lattice can be computed via Mobius inversion:

$$h_{\partial}^{\mathbf{x}}(\boldsymbol{\alpha}) = h_{sx}(\boldsymbol{\alpha}) - \sum_{\beta \leq \boldsymbol{\alpha}} h_{\partial}^{\mathbf{x}}(\beta) \quad [9]$$

The result is the entropy specific to a particular $\boldsymbol{\alpha}$ and *no simpler combination of sources*. Furthermore, the structure of the lattice and the properties of h_{sx} ensure that $h_{\partial}^{\mathbf{x}}(\boldsymbol{\alpha})$ will always be non-negative. We can re-compute the total joint entropy of \mathbf{x} as:

$$h(\mathbf{x}) = \sum_{i=1}^{|\mathfrak{A}|} h_{\partial}^{\mathbf{x}}(\boldsymbol{\alpha}_i) \quad [10]$$

Like h_{sx} , it is also possible to compute an expected value of h_{∂} (which will also be strictly non-negative):

$$\mathcal{H}_{\partial}^{\mathbf{x}}(\boldsymbol{\alpha}) = \mathbb{E}[h_{\partial}^{\mathbf{x}}(\boldsymbol{\alpha})] \quad [11]$$

100 **C. Decomposing Marginal and Joint Entropies.** Having defined h_{sx} and the Mobius inversion on the partial entropy lattice, we
 101 can now do a complete decomposition of the joint entropy, and its marginal components. For example, consider the bivariate
 102 system $\mathbf{X} = \{X_1, X_2\}$. We can decompose the joint entropy:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{H}(\mathbf{X}) &= \mathcal{H}_\partial^{12}(\{1\}\{2\}) + \mathcal{H}_\partial^{12}(\{1\}) \\ &\quad + \mathcal{H}_\partial^{12}(\{2\}) + \mathcal{H}_\partial^{12}(\{1, 2\}) \end{aligned} \quad [12]$$

103 Furthermore, we can decompose the associated marginal entropies in a manner consistent with the partial information
 104 decomposition (4):

$$\mathcal{H}(X_1) = \mathcal{H}_\partial^{12}(\{1\}\{2\}) + \mathcal{H}_\partial^{12}(\{1\}) \quad [13]$$

$$\mathcal{H}(X_2) = \mathcal{H}_\partial^{12}(\{1\}\{2\}) + \mathcal{H}_\partial^{12}(\{2\}) \quad [14]$$

105 These decompositions can be done for larger ensembles, or more statistical dependencies (see below) and can reveal how
 106 higher-order interactions can complicate (and in some cases, compromise) the standard bivariate approaches to functional
 107 connectivity.

108 3. Mathematical Properties of \mathcal{H}_{sx}

109 **A. Partial Entropy Decomposition & Partial Information Decomposition.** The redundant *entropy* function h_{sx} is closely related
 110 to the redundant *information* function i_{sx} proposed by Makkeh et al., (3), and was briefly mentioned in their paper as a
 111 possible extension of i_{sx} , although it was not explored in detail, which we will do here. The function h_{sx} is defined:

$$h_{sx}(\mathbf{a}_1, \dots, \mathbf{a}_k) := \log \frac{1}{\mathcal{P}(\mathbf{a}_1 \cup \dots \cup \mathbf{a}_k)} \quad [15]$$

112 This measure is equivalent to the *informative* component of the measure i_{sx} proposed by Makkeh et al., (3) in the context
 114 of single-target partial information decomposition. The local redundant information function i_{sx} is defined:

$$i_{sx}(\mathbf{a}^1, \dots, \mathbf{a}^k; y) := \quad [16]$$

$$\log_2 \frac{\mathcal{P}(y) - \mathcal{P}(y \cap (\bar{\mathbf{a}}^1 \cap \dots \cap \bar{\mathbf{a}}^k))}{1 - \mathcal{P}(\bar{\mathbf{a}}^1 \cap \dots \cap \bar{\mathbf{a}}^k)} - \log_2 \mathcal{P}(y) \quad [17]$$

115 Which can be further decomposed into *informative* and *misinformative* components (3, 5):

$$i_{sx}^+(\mathbf{a}_1, \dots, \mathbf{a}_k; y) := \log_2 \frac{1}{\mathcal{P}(\mathbf{a}_1 \cup \dots \cup \mathbf{a}_k)} \quad [18]$$

$$i_{sx}^-(\mathbf{a}_1, \dots, \mathbf{a}_k; y) := \log_2 \frac{\mathcal{P}(y)}{\mathcal{P}(y \cap (\mathbf{a}_1 \cup \dots \cup \mathbf{a}_k))} \quad [19]$$

$$i_{sx}(\mathbf{a}_1, \dots, \mathbf{a}_k; y) = i_{sx}^+(\mathbf{a}_1, \dots, \mathbf{a}_k; y) - i_{sx}^-(\mathbf{a}_1, \dots, \mathbf{a}_k; y) \quad [20]$$

116 Where it is clear that $h_{sx}(\cdot) = i_{sx}^+(\cdot; y)$, with the sole difference that $i_{sx}^+(\cdot; y)$ is implicitly defined with respect to some target
 117 variable y (although y has no actual impact on the value). Below, we show that, if the target y is set to the joint state of the
 118 whole (\mathbf{x}) , then the partial entropy decomposition of $h(\mathbf{x})$ with h_{sx} as the shard entropy function becomes equivalent to the
 119 partial information decomposition $i(x_1, \dots, x_N; \mathbf{x})$ with i_{sx} as the redundant entropy function. The notion that the PED is
 120 equivalent to doing the PID of the information all the parts disclose about the whole was mentioned parenthetically in (3),
 121 although the finding that the informative component is all that is required is novel.

122 Given the equivalence between $h_{sx}(\cdot)$ and $i_{sx}^+(\cdot; y)$, it suffices to show that $i_{sx}^-(x_1, \dots, x_N; \mathbf{x}) = 0$ bit in all cases. When
 123 $y = \mathbf{x}$, we can re-write the function as:

$$i_{sx}^-(x_1, \dots, x_N; \mathbf{x}) = \quad [21]$$

$$\log_2 \frac{\mathcal{P}(x_1 \cap \dots \cap x_N)}{\mathcal{P}((x_1 \cap \dots \cap x_N) \cap (x_1 \cup \dots \cup x_N))}$$

124 the union of $x^1 \cup \dots \cup x^k$ is clearly a superset of $x^1 \cap \dots \cap x^k$, so

$$i_{sx}^- = \log_2 \frac{\mathcal{P}(x_1 \cap \dots \cap x_N)}{\mathcal{P}(x_1 \cap \dots \cap x_N)} \quad [22]$$

126 Which is clearly $\log_2(1) = 0$ bit \square

127 We can understand the partial entropy decomposition using h_{sx} as being equivalent to the decomposition of $i(x_1, \dots, x_N; \mathbf{x})$.
 128 Intuitively, this is consistent with the identity for discrete variables that $\mathcal{I}(\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{X}) = \mathcal{H}(\mathbf{X})$. The vanishing misinformative term
 129 can be seen as a special case of the results presented by Ehrlich et al., (16), who proved a general result that the misinformative
 130 component of $I_{sx}(\mathbf{X}; Y)$ vanishes if there exists some deterministic function $f : Y \mapsto \mathbf{X}$.

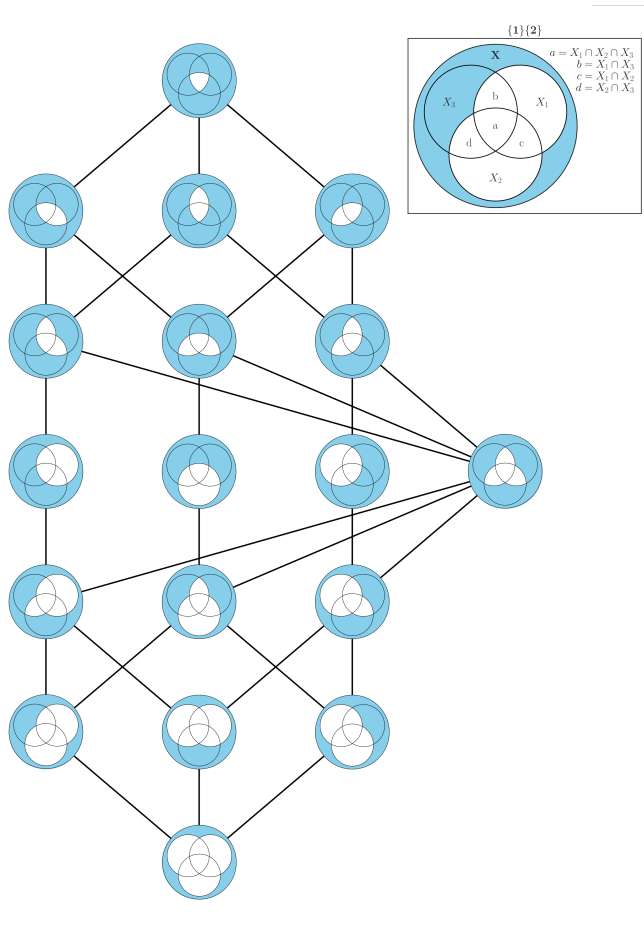


Fig. S2. The partial entropy lattice. The lattice of partial entropy atoms induced by the $\mathcal{H}_{s,x}$ function. Each vertex of the lattice corresponds to a single PE atom, and the Venn diagram describes the associated structure of probability mass exclusions. The blue area indicates the probability mass from $\mathcal{P}(\mathbf{x})$ that is excluded by some combination of observations. For example, in the legend, we can see the probability mass excluded by observing $X_1 \vee X_2$. The blue area is all of the probability mass one would exclude after learning the state of *either* component alone. The lowest atom is the entropy redundant to all three elements ($\mathcal{H}_{s,x}(\{1\}\{2\}\{3\})$), and the dependencies get increasingly synergistic higher on the lattice.

XOR					AND						
\mathcal{P}	X_1	\oplus	X_2	$=$	T	\mathcal{P}	X_1	\wedge	X_2	$=$	T
1/4	0		0		0	1/4	0		0		0
1/4	0		1		1	1/4	0		1		0
1/4	1		0		1	1/4	1		0		0
1/4	1		1		0	1/4	1		1		1

Table S2. Logical XOR and AND gates.

B. Example: Logical Exclusive-OR (XOR) Gate. To demonstrate how partial entropy decomposition can be used to untangle higher-order interactions, consider the logical exclusive-OR (XOR) gate (for the lookup table, see Table S2). The XOR gate is an example of a *synergistic* logic gate: the ability to predict the state of the target T depends on having access to both X_1 and X_2 jointly: the pairwise marginal mutual informations are equal to 0: $\mathcal{I}(X_1; T) = \mathcal{I}(X_2; T) = 0$ bit, but the joint mutual information is nonzero: $\mathcal{I}(X_1, X_2; T) = 1$ bit.

We can initially see that the triple-redundancy $\mathcal{H}_\delta^{12T}(\{1\}\{2\}\{T\}) = 0$ bit. This is because any configuration of logical disjunctions does not actually rule out any states: for example, $\mathcal{P}(X_1 = 0 \cup X_2 = 0 \cup T = 0) = 1$ as there is no configuration $(1, 1, 1)$ that can be excluded. Other results can be unintuitive. For example, most of the partial entropy is shared between the three bivariate relationships $\mathcal{H}_\delta^{12T}(\{1\}\{2\})$, $\mathcal{H}_\delta^{12T}(\{1\}\{T\})$, and $\mathcal{H}_\delta^{12T}(\{2\}\{T\})$. How is this consistent with the fact that the mutual information between any pair of variables is zero? The bivariate redundancy can be non-zero in this case because, on average, knowing the local state of $x_1 \vee x_2$ reduces our uncertainty about the joint state of $\{x_1, x_2, t\}$. For example, suppose we learn that $x_1 = 1 \vee x_2 = 1$. This *excludes* the joint configuration $\{x_1 = 0, x_2 = 0, t = 0\}$. This exclusion of the associated probability mass is recognized by $h_{sx}(\cdot)$ as informative, in that it reduces our uncertainty about the joint-state of the whole, despite the fact that, on average, X_1 and X_2 disclose no information about T . There is no redundant information common to X_1 , X_2 and T , however, and there a number of higher-order dependencies, such as $\mathcal{H}_\delta^{12T}(\{1\}\{2, T\})$ and $\mathcal{H}_\delta^{12T}(\{1, 2\}\{1, T\}\{2, T\})$.

Atom	$\mathcal{H}_\delta^{12T} $	XOR	AND	MaxEnt
$\{1\}\{2\}\{T\}$		0.0	0.208	0.193
$\{1\}\{2\}$		0.415	0.208	0.222
$\{1\}\{T\}$		0.415	0.25	0.222
$\{2\}\{T\}$		0.415	0.25	0.222
$\{1\}\{2, T\}$		0.17	0.04	0.041
$\{2\}\{1, T\}$		0.17	0.04	0.041
$\{T\}\{1, 2\}$		0.17	0.104	0.041
$\{1\}$		0.0	0.292	0.322
$\{2\}$		0.0	0.292	0.322
$\{T\}$		0.0	0.0	0.322
$\{1, 2\}\{1, T\}\{2, T\}$		0.245	0.0	0.018
$\{1, 2\}\{1, T\}$		0.0	0.104	0.093
$\{1, 2\}\{2, T\}$		0.0	0.104	0.093
$\{1, T\}\{2, T\}$		0.0	0.0	0.093
$\{1, 2\}$		0.0	0.104	0.17
$\{1, T\}$		0.0	0.0	0.17
$\{2, T\}$		0.0	0.0	0.17
$\{1, 2, T\}$		0.0	0.0	0.245

Table S3. The Partial Entropy Decomposition for the XOR, AND, and Maximum Entropy Gates.

C. Independent Variables. One unusual property of h_{sx} , as demonstrated by the logical-XOR results is that independent variables can still share entropy. This is a recognized feature of multiple measures of redundant information/entropy and is generally considered to be an issue to be excised (14) (some have gone so far as the suggest an axiom that such a property must be disallowed from the outset (15)). While we understand that shared entropy for random variables may seem initially counter intuitive, it can be readily understood when considering the problem of inference. Let us return to our two element example (Table 1), and this time specify that $X_1 \perp X_2$. We know then that $\mathcal{I}(X_1; X_2) = 0$ bit, however, $h_{sx}(\{X_1\}\{X_2\}) \approx 0.415$ bit. Why? The answer is that, while the two variables are independent, in all cases learning either $X_1 = x_1 \vee X_2 = x_2$ is sufficient to exclude a single possible state: the case where $X_1 = \neg x_1 \wedge X_2 = \neg x_2$. If we were to formalize this in terms of a gambling problem, we would find that, despite the independence of both variables, a player is, in fact, more likely to win with a correct guess after learning $X_1 \vee X_2$. See Figure S3.

Furthermore, we can see that, while h_{sx} will be greater than zero for small, maximum entropy systems, as the system gets larger, the redundancy will logarithmically trend towards zero. The proof for binary systems is straightforward. For a discrete, maximum entropy system with k elements, learning the state of $X_1 = x_1 \vee \dots \vee X_k = x_k$ will always exclude a single state: the state where $X_1 \neq x_1 \wedge \dots \wedge X_k \neq x_k$. This single state \mathbf{x}^* will have $\mathcal{P}(\mathbf{x}^*) = 1/k$ (as all states have the same probability by the maximum entropy constraint). The union of all surviving configurations will be $1 - \mathcal{P}(\mathbf{x}^*)$. Since $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} 1/k = 0$, then the

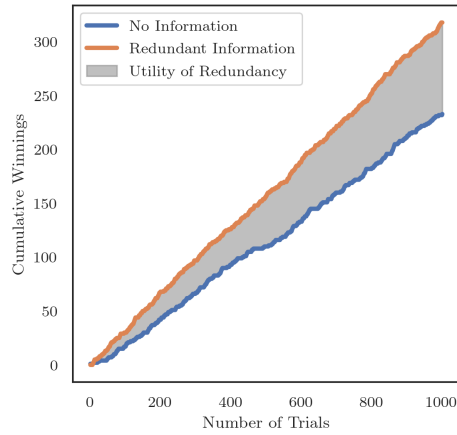


Fig. S3. Utility of redundant information. Suppose an agent plays a gambling game, where two independent, binary variables are set at random (so all outcomes $\mathcal{P}(x_1, x_2) = 1/4$ for all configurations). If the agent guesses the correct configuration of both variables, they win \$1 and if they guess wrong, they win nothing. Clearly, the expected value of each trial is \$0.25 (blue curve). However, if another agent learns that $X_1 = x_1 \vee X_2 = x_2$, then they can do better at the game, with an expected value of each trial of \$0.33. The difference between the two cumulative distributions of 1000 trials is the extra value that can be extracted from the redundant information. This shows that, while counter-intuitive, the fact that $\mathcal{H}_\partial^{12}(\{1\}\{2\}) > 0$ even if $X_1 \perp X_2$ is interpretable in practical contexts.

161 union probability will $\rightarrow 1$ and consequently $h_{sx} \rightarrow 0$ bit. This suggests that, for very large, idealized systems (such as an ideal
 162 gas), the redundancy *does* go to 0 bit for maximum entropy systems. How other values (such as the redundant and synergistic
 163 structure) behave remains an area of further study, although we conjecture that, as $k \rightarrow \infty$, redundancies and synergies will
 164 vanish faster than unique terms.

165 **D. \mathcal{H}_{sx} & Pairwise Dependency Constraints.** The h_{sx} measure is built on the full joint distribution, rather than the maximum
 166 entropy distribution that preserves pairwise marginals. While this as a departure from historical approaches to PID, we do not
 167 consider it necessarily problematic for two reasons:

168 In Bertschinger's original proposal (7, 8) that the redundancy depends solely on pairwise marginals, the focus was on the
 169 particular case of two inputs X_1, X_2 that were jointly disclosing information about a single target Y . In this context, the focus
 170 on pairwise marginals makes sense, as the double synergy term $\{X_1, X_2\}$ is the only relevant higher-order term. However, as
 171 the number of elements grows, we feel the focus on pairwise marginals becomes less natural.

172 For instance, consider the atom $\{1, 2, 3\}\{2, 3, 4\}$, which appears in the partial entropy lattice for a set of four elements
 173 $\{X_1, X_2, X_3, X_4\}$. Since this atom only contains higher-order information in the joint states of three variables, it does not feel
 174 natural that it must be computed from the marginals X_1, X_2 , etc. At this point on the lattice, it is assumed that the observer
 175 has access to the joint states of at least three variables: (X_1, X_2, X_3) and the joint state of (X_2, X_3, X_4) . Based on Bertschinger
 176 et al. (7, 8), it could be argued that the atom $\{1, 2, 3\}\{2, 3, 4\}$ should be calculated with respect to the distribution that
 177 preserves third-order marginals, however that opens a difficult can of worms: should every atom in the lattice be computed
 178 with respect to the maximum entropy distribution that preserves the marginals of whatever the lowest-order source in the
 179 atoms is? While this is an intriguing possibility, attempting to implement this is beyond the existing capabilities of our code
 180 and the **SxPID** package.

181 There is another angle as well. If we consider the interpretation that $h_{sx}(x_1, x_2, x_3) = i_{sx}(x_1, x_2, x_3; \mathbf{x})$ where $\mathbf{x} = \{x_1, x_2, x_3\}$,
 182 it seems as though knowledge of the whole is implicitly built in, even when considering redundant atoms such as $\{1\}\{2\}\{3\}$. If
 183 we follow the logic that redundancy should only depend on the pairwise dependency between each input and the target, since
 184 \mathbf{X} is the target, the joint state of the whole is already accounted for.

185 Ince's PED approach (1) required computing h_{ccs} with respect to the maximum entropy distribution that preserves pairwise
 186 marginals. In this case though, since the distribution of the whole is the target distribution, this approach seems unnatural,
 187 since involves changing the statistics of the whole: effectively decomposing the entropy of an entirely different system than the
 188 one under study. Ultimately, h_{sx} as it is currently formulated, cannot be easily be reconfigured to accommodate the pairwise
 189 dependency restriction.

190 4. Basic Information Theory Review

191 Here we will provide a basic overview of information theory for unfamiliar readers. For a more comprehensive treatment of the
 192 subject, see the textbooks by Cover & Thomas (10) and/or MacKay (11).

193 The basic object of study in information theory is the *entropy*, which quantifies the total uncertainty that we, as observers,
 194 have about the state of some variable X . For the purposes of this paper, we will assume that X is discrete, with a finite
 195 number of possible states that can be pulled from the support set \mathcal{X} . For every particular state $x \in \mathcal{X}$, there is an associated
 196 probability $\mathcal{P}(x)$. The entropy of X is given by:

$$H(X) = - \sum_{x \in \mathcal{X}} \mathcal{P}(x) \log \mathcal{P}(x) \quad [23]$$

For multiple variables, we can define the joint entropy as:

$$H(X_1, X_2) = - \sum_{\substack{x_1 \in \mathcal{X}_1 \\ x_2 \in \mathcal{X}_2}} \mathcal{P}(x_1, x_2) \log \mathcal{P}(x_1, x_2) \quad [24]$$

We can also define the conditional entropy as the uncertainty about X_1 *left over* after accounting for the knowledge that $X_2 = x_2$:

$$H(X_1|X_2) = - \sum_{\substack{x_1 \in \mathcal{X}_1 \\ x_2 \in \mathcal{X}_2}} \mathcal{P}(x_1, x_2) \log \mathcal{P}(x_1|x_2) \quad [25]$$

From these basic components, we can define the *mutual information* as the difference between our initial uncertainty about the state of X_1 the the remaining uncertainty about X_1 that is not resolved by learning the state of X_2 :

$$I(X_1; X_2) = H(X_1) - H(X_1|X_2) \quad [26]$$

The mutual information is symmetric in it's arguments: $I(X_1; X_2) = I(X_2; X_1)$. If we have multiple X s disclosing information about a single target T , the joint mutual information has the same form:

$$I(X_1, X_2; T) = H(T) - H(T|X_1, X_2) \quad [27]$$

The mutual information can also be written in terms of probabilities:

$$I(X_1; X_2) = \sum_{\substack{x_1 \in \mathcal{X}_1 \\ x_2 \in \mathcal{X}_2}} \mathcal{P}(x_1, x_2) \log \frac{\mathcal{P}(x_1|x_2)}{\mathcal{P}(x_1)} \quad [28]$$

A. Local Information Theory. Both the entropy and the mutual information can be understood as expected values over some (potentially multivariate) distribution):

$$H(X) = \mathbb{E}[-\log \mathcal{P}(x)] \quad [29]$$

The term $-\log \mathcal{P}(x)$ is known as the *local entropy* or the *Shannon information content* and it quantifies how surprised we, as observers are to see that $X = x$. It is typically denoted as $h(x)$.

$$I(X_1; X_2) = \mathbb{E} \left[\log_2 \frac{\mathcal{P}(x_1|x_2)}{\mathcal{P}(x_1)} \right] \quad [30]$$

The term $\frac{\mathcal{P}(x_1|x_2)}{\mathcal{P}(x_1)}$ is known as the *local mutual information* and it quantifies the divergence between the prior probability $X_1 = x_1$ and the posterior probability $X_1 = x_1$ *after accounting for the fact that* $X_2 = x_2$. It is typically denoted as $i(x_1; x_2)$. Unlike the expected mutual information, which is strictly non-negative, the local mutual information can be either greater than, or less than, zero. If $\mathcal{P}(x_1|x_2) < \mathcal{P}(x_1)$, then $i(x_1; x_2) > 0$, and if $\mathcal{P}(x_1|x_2) > \mathcal{P}(x_1)$, then $i(x_1; x_2) < 0$. In the latter case, we say that x_1 *misinforms* on the state of x_2 .

5. Derivations

For didactic purposes, we have included a number of derivations of the relationships between mutual information and partial entropy atoms. The basic logic is reasonably straightforward: any information-theoretic construct that can be written in terms of joint and marginal entropies can be converted into partial entropy atoms by first decomposing each of the constituent entropies, and then summing them together in accordance with the original definition. Importantly, all atoms must be pulled from the lattice describing the structure of the whole system.

A. Derivation of Eq. 5. Eq. 5 shows:

$$\mathcal{I}(X_1; X_2) = \mathcal{H}_\partial^{12}(\{1\}\{2\}) - \mathcal{H}_\partial^{12}(\{1, 2\})$$

This can be derived from:

$$\mathcal{I}(X_1; X_2) = \mathcal{H}(X_1) + \mathcal{H}(X_2) - \mathcal{H}(X_1, X_2)$$

From Eqs. 2, 3 and 4 we have:

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathcal{H}(X_1; X_2) &= \mathcal{H}_\partial^{12}(\{1\}\{2\}) + \mathcal{H}_\partial^{12}(\{1\}) \\
&\quad + \mathcal{H}_\partial^{12}(\{2\}) + \mathcal{H}_\partial^{12}(\{1, 2\}) \\
\mathcal{H}(X_1) &= \mathcal{H}_\partial^{12}(\{1\}\{2\}) + \mathcal{H}_\partial^{12}(\{1\}) \\
\mathcal{H}(X_2) &= \mathcal{H}_\partial^{12}(\{1\}\{2\}) + \mathcal{H}_\partial^{12}(\{2\})
\end{aligned}$$

233 Basic substitution shows that:

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathcal{I}(X_1; X_2) &= \mathcal{H}_\partial^{12}(\{1\}\{2\}) + \mathcal{H}_\partial^{12}(\{1\}) + \mathcal{H}_\partial^{12}(\{1\}\{2\}) + \mathcal{H}_\partial^{12}(\{2\}) \\
&\quad - \mathcal{H}_\partial^{12}(\{1\}\{2\}) - \mathcal{H}_\partial^{12}(\{1\}) - \mathcal{H}_\partial^{12}(\{2\}) - \mathcal{H}_\partial^{12}(\{1, 2\})
\end{aligned}$$

234 Simplifying returns Eq. 5.

235 **B. Derivation of Eq. 6.** Eq. 16 shows that in a triad X_1, X_2, X_3 , the bivariate mutual information decomposes as:

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathcal{I}(X_1; X_2) &= \mathcal{H}_\partial^{123}(\{1\}\{2\}\{3\}) + \mathcal{H}_\partial^{123}(\{1\}\{2\}) \\
&\quad - \mathcal{H}_\partial^{123}(\{3\}\{1, 2\}) - \mathcal{H}_\partial^{123}(\{1, 2\}\{1, 3\}\{2, 3\}) \\
&\quad - \mathcal{H}_\partial^{123}(\{1, 2\}\{1, 3\}) - \mathcal{H}_\partial^{123}(\{1, 2\}\{2, 3\}) \\
&\quad - \mathcal{H}_\partial^{123}(\{1, 2\})
\end{aligned}$$

236 The logic is essentially the same as was given above, however, atoms are drawn from the three element lattice:

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathcal{H}(X_1) &= \mathcal{H}_\partial^{123}(\{1\}\{2\}\{3\}) + \mathcal{H}_\partial^{123}(\{1\}\{2\}) + \mathcal{H}_\partial^{123}(\{1\}\{3\}) \\
&\quad + \mathcal{H}_\partial^{123}(\{1\}\{2, 3\}) + \mathcal{H}_\partial^{123}(\{1\}) \\
\mathcal{H}(X_2) &= \mathcal{H}_\partial^{123}(\{1\}\{2\}\{3\}) + \mathcal{H}_\partial^{123}(\{1\}\{2\}) + \mathcal{H}_\partial^{123}(\{2\}\{3\}) \\
&\quad + \mathcal{H}_\partial^{123}(\{2\}\{1, 3\}) + \mathcal{H}_\partial^{123}(\{2\}) \\
\mathcal{H}(X_1, X_2) &= \mathcal{H}_\partial^{123}(\{1\}\{2\}\{3\}) + \mathcal{H}_\partial^{123}(\{1\}\{2\}) + \mathcal{H}_\partial^{123}(\{1\}\{3\}) + \mathcal{H}_\partial^{123}(\{2\}\{3\}) \\
&\quad + \mathcal{H}_\partial^{123}(\{1\}\{2, 3\}) + \mathcal{H}_\partial^{123}(\{2\}\{1, 3\}) + \mathcal{H}_\partial^{123}(\{3\}\{1, 2\}) \\
&\quad + \mathcal{H}_\partial^{123}(\{1\}) + \mathcal{H}_\partial^{123}(\{2\}) + \mathcal{H}_\partial^{123}(\{1, 2\}\{1, 3\}\{2, 3\}) \\
&\quad + \mathcal{H}_\partial^{123}(\{1, 2\}\{1, 3\}) + \mathcal{H}_\partial^{123}(\{1, 2\}\{2, 3\}) \\
&\quad + \mathcal{H}_\partial^{123}(\{1, 2\})
\end{aligned}$$

237 Once again, substitution and simplification shows:

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathcal{I}(X_1; X_2) &= \mathcal{H}_\partial^{123}(\{1\}\{2\}\{3\}) + \mathcal{H}_\partial^{123}(\{1\}\{2\}) \\
&\quad - \mathcal{H}_\partial^{123}(\{3\}\{1, 2\}) - \mathcal{H}_\partial^{123}(\{1, 2\}\{1, 3\}\{2, 3\}) \\
&\quad - \mathcal{H}_\partial^{123}(\{1, 2\}\{1, 3\}) - \mathcal{H}_\partial^{123}(\{1, 2\}\{2, 3\}) \\
&\quad - \mathcal{H}_\partial^{123}(\{1, 2\})
\end{aligned}$$

238 Similar logic underlies the derivation of Eq. 7, using the identity that $\mathcal{I}(X_1; X_2|X_3) = \mathcal{H}(X_1; X_3) + \mathcal{H}(X_2; X_3) -$
239 $\mathcal{H}(X_1, X_2, X_3) - \mathcal{H}(X_3)$.

240 **C. Derivation of Eq. 10.** Equation 10 describes how the total correlation can be decomposed into partial entropy atoms:

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathcal{T}(X_1, X_2, X_3) &= (2 \times \mathcal{H}_\partial^{123}(\{1\}\{2\}\{3\})) \\
&\quad + \mathcal{H}_\partial^{123}(\{1\}\{2\}) + \mathcal{H}_\partial^{123}(\{1\}\{3\} + \{2\}\{3\}) \\
&\quad - \mathcal{H}_\partial^{123}(\{1, 2\}\{1, 3\}\{2, 3\}) \\
&\quad - \mathcal{H}_\partial^{123}(\{1, 2\}\{1, 3\}) - \mathcal{H}_\partial^{123}(\{1, 2\}\{2, 3\}) - \mathcal{H}_\partial^{123}(\{1, 3\}\{2, 3\}) \\
&\quad - \mathcal{H}_\partial^{123}(\{1, 2\}) - \mathcal{H}_\partial^{123}(\{1, 3\}) - \mathcal{H}_\partial^{123}(\{2, 3\}) \\
&\quad - \mathcal{H}_\partial^{123}(\{1, 2, 3\})
\end{aligned}$$

241 The logic of the decomposition is the same as above: we begin by writing the total correlation out in terms of joint and
 242 marginal entropies:

$$243 \quad \mathcal{T}(X_1, X_2, X_3) := \sum_{i=1}^3 \mathcal{H}(X_i) - \mathcal{H}(X_1, X_2, X_3)$$

244 which can be decomposed:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{H}(X_1) &= \mathcal{H}_\theta^{123}(\{1\}\{2\}\{3\}) + \mathcal{H}_\theta^{123}(\{1\}\{2\}) + \mathcal{H}_\theta^{123}(\{1\}\{3\}) \\ &\quad + \mathcal{H}_\theta^{123}(\{1\}\{2, 3\}) + \mathcal{H}_\theta^{123}(\{1\}) \\ \mathcal{H}(X_2) &= \mathcal{H}_\theta^{123}(\{1\}\{2\}\{3\}) + \mathcal{H}_\theta^{123}(\{1\}\{2\}) + \mathcal{H}_\theta^{123}(\{2\}\{3\}) \\ &\quad + \mathcal{H}_\theta^{123}(\{2\}\{1, 3\}) + \mathcal{H}_\theta^{123}(\{2\}) \\ \mathcal{H}(X_3) &= \mathcal{H}_\theta^{123}(\{1\}\{2\}\{3\}) + \mathcal{H}_\theta^{123}(\{1\}\{3\}) + \mathcal{H}_\theta^{123}(\{2\}\{3\}) \\ &\quad + \mathcal{H}_\theta^{123}(\{3\}\{1, 2\}) + \mathcal{H}_\theta^{123}(\{3\}) \\ \mathcal{H}(X_1, X_2) &= \mathcal{H}_\theta^{123}(\{1\}\{2\}\{3\}) + \mathcal{H}_\theta^{123}(\{1\}\{2\}) + \mathcal{H}_\theta^{123}(\{1\}\{3\}) + \mathcal{H}_\theta^{123}(\{2\}\{3\}) \\ &\quad + \mathcal{H}_\theta^{123}(\{1\}\{2, 3\}) + \mathcal{H}_\theta^{123}(\{2\}\{1, 3\}) + \mathcal{H}_\theta^{123}(\{3\}\{1, 2\}) \\ &\quad + \mathcal{H}_\theta^{123}(\{1\}) + \mathcal{H}_\theta^{123}(\{2\}) + \mathcal{H}_\theta^{123}(\{3\}) + \mathcal{H}_\theta^{123}(\{1, 2\}\{1, 3\}\{2, 3\}) \\ &\quad + \mathcal{H}_\theta^{123}(\{1, 2\}\{1, 3\}) + \mathcal{H}_\theta^{123}(\{1, 2\}\{2, 3\}) + \mathcal{H}_\theta^{123}(\{1, 2\}\{2, 3\}) \\ &\quad + \mathcal{H}_\theta^{123}(\{1, 2\}) + \mathcal{H}_\theta^{123}(\{1, 3\}) + \mathcal{H}_\theta^{123}(\{2, 3\}) \\ &\quad + \mathcal{H}_\theta^{123}(\{1, 2, 3\}) \end{aligned}$$

245 The same logic can be applied to Eq. 12 to decompose the dual total correlation (with the insight that $\mathcal{H}(X_1|X_2, X_3) =$
 246 $\mathcal{H}(X_1, X_2, X_3) - \mathcal{H}(X_2, X_3)$), and from there, the O-information can be computed via subtraction of the sets of atoms.

247 6. Materials & Methods

248 **A. Human Connectome Project fMRI Data.** The data used in this study was taken from a set of 100 unrelated subjects included
 249 in the Human Connectome Project (HCP) (17). Refs (17, 18) provide a detailed description of the acquisition and preprocessing
 250 of this data, which have been used in many previous studies (19, 20). Briefly, all subjects gave informed consent to protocols
 251 approved by the Washington University Institutional Review Board. Data was collected with a Siemens 3T Connectom Skyra
 252 using a head coil with 32 channels. Functional data analysed here was acquired during resting state with a gradient-echo
 253 echo-planar imaging (EPI) sequence. Collection occurred over four scans on two separate days (scan duration: 14:33 min;
 254 eyes open). The main acquisition parameters included TR = 720 ms, TE = 33.1 ms, flip angle of 52°, 2 mm isotropic voxel
 255 resolution, and a multiband factor of 8. Resting state data was mapped to a 200-node parcellation scheme (21) covering the
 256 entire cerebral cortex.

257 Considerations for subject inclusion were established before the study and are as follows. The mean and mean absolute
 258 deviation of the relative root mean square (RMS) motion throughout any of the four resting scans were calculated. Subjects
 259 that exceeded 1.5 times the interquartile range in the adverse direction for two or more measures they were excluded. This
 260 resulted in the exclusion of four subjects, and an additional subject due to a software error during diffusion MRI processing.
 261 The included subjects had demographic characteristics of: 56% female, mean age = 29.29 ± 3.66, age range = 22-36 years.

262 **A.1. Preprocessing.** The minimal preprocessing of HCP rs-fMRI data can be found described in detail in Ref. (18). Five main
 263 steps were followed: 1) susceptibility, distortion, and motion correction; 2) registration to subject-specific T1-weighted data;
 264 3) bias and intensity normalization; 4) projection onto the 32k_fs_LR mesh; and 5) alignment to common space with a
 265 multimodal surface registration (81). This pipeline produced an ICA+FIX time series in the CIFTI grayordinate coordinate
 266 system. We included two additional preprocessing steps: 6) global signal regression and 7) detrending and band pass filtering
 267 (0.008 to 0.08 Hz) (22). We discarded the first and last 50 frames of each time series after confound regression and filtering to
 268 produce final scans with length 13.2 min (1,100 frames). All four scans from 95 subjects were then z-scored and concatenated
 269 to give a final time-series of 200 brain regions and 418,000 time points.

270 **A.2. Discretizing BOLD Signals.** Unfortunately, the \mathcal{H}_{sx} measure is only well-defined for discrete random variables. Consequently,
 271 we discretized our data by binarizing the z-scored time series: setting any value greater than zero to one and any value less than
 272 zero to zero. Prior work has established that transforming BOLD signals into binary point processes preserves the majority of
 273 the total correlation structure (19, 23), so we are confident that our analysis is robust, especially considering the large number
 274 of samples.

275 We chose to binarize around the z-score (as opposed to alternative point-processing techniques such as local maxima), as
 276 the z-score ensures that each individual channel is generally maximally entropic (i.e. $\mathcal{P}(X_i = 1) \approx \mathcal{P}(X_i = 0) \approx 1/2$). This
 277 ensures that every individual channel has approximately the same entropy, and so deviations from maximum entropy at the

278 level of the entire triad or tetrad can *only* emerge from correlations between two or more channels, rather than being influenced
 279 by biases at the channel-level. The choice to binarize about the mean also links this work to previous work on decomposing
 280 functional connectivity into discrete partitions (19).

281 B. Statistical Analyses.

282 **B.1. Triads & tetrads.** In standard FC analysis, it is typical to compute the pairwise correlation between all pairs of brain regions,
 283 resulting $\binom{N}{2}$ unique pairs. For this analysis, we computed all triads of brain regions, resulting in $\binom{200}{3} = 1,313,400$ unique
 284 triples. For each triad, we computed the joint entropy, and performed the full partial entropy decomposition to compute each
 285 of the eighteen partial entropy atoms. Finally, each of the atoms was normalized by the total joint entropy, to give a measure
 286 of how much each atom contributes to the whole entropy. This allows us to directly compare triads that have different joint
 287 entropies.

288 It was not feasible to brute-force all possible tetrads, which is a set of approximately sixty-four million. Instead, we randomly
 289 sub-sampled sets of four randomly, collecting 1954000 tetrads ($\approx 3\%$ of the total space) and analyzing them.

290 **B.2. Bivariate functional connectivity networks.** To directly compare the PED framework to the standard, correlation-based FC
 291 network framework, we constructed single, representative FC network by computing the pairwise mutual information between
 292 every pair of regions in the fMRI scan (as was done in (20)).

$$293 \mathcal{I}(X; Y) = \mathcal{H}(X) + \mathcal{H}(Y) - \mathcal{H}(X, Y) \quad [31]$$

294 **B.3. Subgraph Analysis.** Since we are interested in how the bivariate FC framework reflects (or fails to reflect) higher-order
 295 redundancies and synergies, we also compute a battery of structure metrics on matching subgraphs taken from the FC network.
 296 Formally presented by Onnela et al., (13), we consider arithmetic mean of the subgraph connectivity:

$$297 \mathcal{G}_{\text{st}}(\mathbf{X}) = \frac{\sum_{i \neq j} \mathcal{I}(X_i; X_j)}{|\mathbf{X}|^2 - |\mathbf{X}|} \quad [32]$$

298 For a given triad of tetrad \mathbf{X} , we compared the mean FC density to the various redundant and synergistic information-sharing
 299 structures of \mathbf{X} .

300 **B.4. Community Detection on Bivariate Matrices.** Multi-resolution consensus clustering (26) was used to detect network communities
 301 in the functional connectivity matrix across multiple scales. The algorithm proceeds in three main stages. In the first stage,
 302 modularity maximization using the Louvain method is performed for 1,000 different values of the resolution parameter, γ . This
 303 produced a range of γ values that resulted with partitions having between 2 and N communities. The second stage consisted of
 304 a more fine-grained sweep (10,000 steps) over the γ values defined in the first stage of the process. We aggregate the partitions
 305 produced by this sweep into a node-by-node co-classification matrix storing how frequently nodes are partitioned into the same
 306 community. A null model with expected values of co-classification based on the size and number of communities was subtracted
 307 from the co-classification matrix (26). Finally, in the third stage, the null-adjusted co-classification matrix was clustered again
 308 using consensus clustering with 100 repetitions and a consensus threshold τ of 0 (24). The resulting partition was used for
 309 analyses.

310 We assessed the similarity between single-subject partitions and consensus partitions using Normalized Mutual Information
 311 (NMI). Each partition can be formalized as a vector of integers of dimension N whose entries denote the nodes' allegiance to
 312 communities. NMI estimates the similarity between two partitions by counting co-occurrences in the two vectors.

313 We computed NMI between each one of the 95 single-subject partitions and the consensus partition, in both cases of
 314 redundancy and synergy hypergraphs. We assessed the significance of NMI values by comparing them with a null case obtained
 315 by randomly shuffling 1000 times communities labels in the single-subject partitions. The p -values of the statistical test,
 316 calculated as the fraction of null-case NMI greater than the actual NMI, have been corrected with a Benjamini-Hochberg test.

317 **B.5. Null Model.** To ensure that the statistical dependencies we were observing reflect non-trivial interactions, we significance-
 318 tested triads and tetrads against a null distribution composed of one million, maximum entropy null models. We constructed
 319 sets of totally independent, maximum entropy binary time series and computed the PED on each set of three or four null
 320 channels. From this, we can construct distributions of the expected null structure and expected synergistic structure against
 321 which to compare triads and tetrads.

322 **B.6. Hypergraph Community Detection.** Each of the triads can be thought of as a hyper-edge on a 3-uniform hypergraph of 200
 323 nodes. For the synergistic structure, we selected only those hyperedges who had a *greater* synergistic structure than any of the
 324 one million maximum-entropy nulls that formed our null distribution. This resulted in a hypergraph with 200 hundred nodes
 325 and 3,746 regular hyper-edges. We used the same criteria to build a redundant structure hypergraph using the top 3,746 most
 326 redundant hyperedges.

327 Both hypergraphs were clustered using the **HyperNetX** package (available on Github: <https://github.com/pnnl/HyperNetX>)
 328 implementation of the hyper-modularity optimization by Kumar and Vaidyanathan et al., (27).

329 Briefly, the algorithm by Kumar and Vaidyanathan et al., takes a modularity maximization approach to partitioning
 330 the vertices of a hypergraph into non-overlapping communities. In dyadic networks, the modularity function compares the

331 distribution of within- and between-community edges to the expected distribution based on a degree-preserving, configuration
332 null model (25). In the case of hypergraphs, a hyper-configuration model can be used instead. A generalized modularity metric
333 can then be used as an objective function in a Louvain-based, modularity maximization search.

334 **B.7. Temporal Structure.** To explore the temporal structure of the state-transition series, we used the active information storage
335 (28, 29) (a measure of how predictable is the future given the past) and the determinism (30, 31), (a measure of how constrained
336 the future is given the past). For a one dimensional, discrete random variable X that evolves through time, we can compute
337 the information that the past X_{t-1} discloses about the future X_t with the mutual information:

$$338 \quad \mathcal{AIS}(X) = \mathcal{I}(X_{t-1}; X_t) \quad [33]$$

339 This measure quantifies the degree to which knowing the past reduces our uncertainty about the future. This term can be
340 further decomposed into two components: the determinism and the degeneracy (30):

$$341 \quad \mathcal{I}(X_{t-1}; X_t) = \text{Det}(X) - \text{Deg}(X) \quad [34]$$

342 Where determinism is:

$$343 \quad \text{Det}(X) = \log_2(N) - \mathcal{H}(X_t|X_{t-1}) \quad [35]$$

344 And degeneracy is:

$$345 \quad \text{Deg}(X) = \log_2(N) - \mathcal{H}(X_t) \quad [36]$$

346 The determinism quantifies how reliably a given past state x_{t-1} leads to a single future state x_t . If $\mathcal{P}(x_t|x_{t-1}) \approx 1$, then we
347 say that x_{t-1} *deterministically* leads to x_t .

348 We significance tested both the active information storage and the determinism by comparing the empirical values to an
349 ensemble of ten thousand randomly permuted nulls generated by shuffling the time series. Since the degeneracy is unchanged
350 by permutation of the temporal structure (since the marginal entropy $\mathcal{H}(X_t)$ is the same), any changes in active information
351 storage produced by shuffling must be driven by changes in the determinism.

352 **C. Software.** All partial information/entropy decompositions were done using the **SxPID** package released with (3) and can be
353 accessed on Github: <https://github.com/Abzinger/SxPID>.

354 **D. Data & Software Sharing.** Data and software are provided as supplementary material. Supplementary software includes:

- 355 • **Code S1:** Cython script for computing PEDs for triads and tetrads. Change the .txt extension to .pyx.
- 356 • **Code S2:** Python code for analysing the rank-differences between triads, the framewise similarities, and the active
357 information storage analysis. Change the .txt extension to .py.
- 358 • **Code S3:** Python code for analysing the relationship between PEDs and bivariate correlations. Constructs Figure 1.
359 Change the .txt extension to .py.
- 360 • **Code S4:** Python code for constructing Figure 2 and 3. Change the .txt extension to .py.

361 Supplementary datasets include:

- 362 • **Datasets S1-10:** 10 .csv files containing results for the triads.
- 363 • **Dataset S11-20:** 10 .csv files containing results for the tetrads.
- 364 • **Dataset S21-30:** 10 .csv files containing the null triad analyses.

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