

Lecture 23

Recall

- Laplacian: real symm singular & positive semidefinite

$$L = D - A$$
$$\begin{pmatrix} d(v_1) & & & \\ & d(v_2) & & \\ & & \ddots & \\ & & & d(v_n) \end{pmatrix} - A$$

$$L \cdot \mathbf{1} = 0$$

d-avg

$$L = d \cdot I - A$$

$$0 = \lambda_1 \leq \lambda_2 \leq \dots \leq \lambda_n$$

$$N = I - \frac{1}{d} A$$

$$0 = \nu_1 \leq \nu_2 \leq \dots \leq \nu_n$$

- Godsil-Newman (Hoffman's bdd for irreg.)

$$|I| \leq \frac{\lambda_n - \underbrace{d(I)}_{\leftarrow \text{ave deg in } I}}{\lambda_n} \cdot n$$

indep set \rightarrow

pf: $\forall x \neq 0, \lambda_n \geq R_L(x) = \frac{x^T L x}{x^T x}$

$$x = \mathbf{1}_I - \frac{|I|}{n} \cdot \mathbf{1}, \quad x \perp \mathbf{1} \quad \square$$

- Quadratic $x^T L x = \sum_{u,v \in E} (x_u - x_v)^2 \geq 0$

cut if $x \in \{0,1\}^V$

- Operator $(Lx)_v = d \left(x_v - \frac{1}{d} \sum_{u \in N(v)} x_u \right)$

scaled diff. btw x_v & average of $N(v)$

Consider an n -vx d -reg $G = (V, E)$ w/ normalized

Laplacian $N = I - \frac{1}{d}A$

$$x^T N x = \frac{1}{d} \left(\sum_{v \in V} d x_v^2 - \sum_{uv \in E} 2 x_u x_v \right)$$

$$= \sum_{uv \in E} x_u x_v N_{uv} = \frac{1}{d} \sum_{uv \in E} (x_u - x_v)^2$$

$$R_N(x) = \frac{\sum_{uv \in E} (x_u - x_v)^2}{d \sum_{v \in V} x_v^2}$$

Thm.: Let $G = (V, E)$ be n -vx d -reg graph and let

$N = I - \frac{1}{d}A$ be its normalized Laplacian
w/ eigenvalue $0 = \nu_1 \leq \nu_2 \leq \dots \leq \nu_n \leq 2$

Then (i) $\nu_1 = 0$

(ii) $\nu_k = 0 \iff G$ has $\geq k$ (conn) components

In particular, # comp. in $G =$ multiplicity of the eigenvalue 0 .

(iii) $\nu_n \leq 2$ w/ equality $\iff G$ has a bipartite comp.

pf (i) $\nu_1 = \min_{x \neq 0} R_N(x) = \min_{x \neq 0} \frac{\sum_{u \in E} (x_u - x_v)^2}{d \sum_{v \in V} x_v^2} \geq 0$

on the other hand, $N \cdot 1 = 0$

$\Rightarrow \nu_1 = 0$

(ii) (\Rightarrow) Suppose $\nu_k = 0$, WTS $\# \text{comp.} \geq k$.

By C-F:

$$\nu_k = \min_{\dim U = k} \max_{\substack{x \in U \\ x \neq 0}} R_N(x)$$

$$= \min_{\dim U = k} \max_{\substack{x \in U \\ x \neq 0}} \frac{\sum_{u \in E} (x_u - x_v)^2}{d \sum_{v \in V} x_v^2}$$

$$= 0$$

Thus, \exists a k -dim sp. U s.t. $\forall x \in U, x \neq 0$

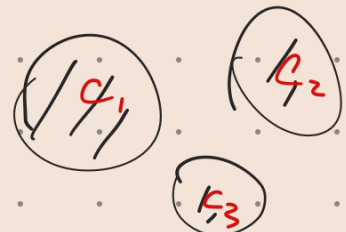
we have $R_N(x) = \frac{\sum (x_u - x_v)^2}{d \sum x_v^2} = 0$

\Rightarrow if $u \sim v \Rightarrow x_u = x_v$

$\Rightarrow x$ is constant over any conn. component.



$\Rightarrow \nu_k = \dim U \leq \# \text{comp. of } G$



(\Leftarrow) ^{Supp.} # comp. of $G \geq k$.

Consider the subspace U spanned by vectors that are const. on each component.

$$\Rightarrow \dim U = \# \text{comp.} \geq k$$

In this U , $\forall x \neq 0, x \in U$

$$R_N(x) = 0 \xrightarrow{\text{C.F.}} \nu_k = 0.$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(iii)} \quad \nu_n &= \max_{x \neq 0} R_N(x) = \max_{x \neq 0} \frac{x^T N x}{x^T x} \\ &= \max_{x \neq 0} \frac{\sum_{u \in E} (x_u - x_v)^2}{d \sum_{v \in V} x_v^2} \end{aligned}$$

$$x^T N x = \frac{1}{d} \sum_{u \in E} (x_u - x_v)^2 = \sum_{v \in V} x_v^2 - \frac{2}{d} \sum_{u \in E} x_u x_v$$

$$= 2 x^T x - \frac{2}{d} \sum_{u \in E} x_u x_v - x^T x$$

$$= 2 x^T x - \frac{1}{d} \sum_{u \in E} (x_u + x_v)^2$$

$$R_N(x) = 2 - \frac{\sum_{u \in E} (x_u + x_v)^2}{d \sum_{v \in V} x_v^2} \leq 2$$

$$\Rightarrow \nu_2 \leq 2$$

If $v_2 = 2$, then we must have

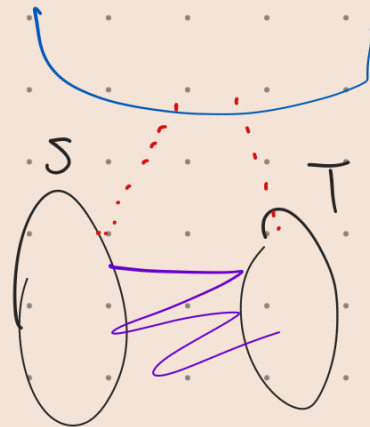
$$\sum_{uv \in E} (x_u + x_v)^2 = 0 \quad (*)$$

So $u \sim v \Rightarrow x_u = -x_v$

Def $S = \{v : x_v > 0\}$

$T = \{v : x_v < 0\}$

- $S \cup T$ sends no edge to $V \setminus (S \cup T)$, for o.w.



Such edge contributes positively to $\sum_{uv \in E} (x_u + x_v)^2$
 $\hookrightarrow (*)$

- Also $N(S) \subseteq T$, $N(T) \subseteq S$ by $(*)$

\Rightarrow $S \cup T$ induces union of bipartite comp. in G .



Examples

Exer:

K_n

eigenvalue

0

n

eigenvector

$\mathbf{1}$

$\forall x \perp \mathbf{1}$

multiplicity

1

$n-1$

Consider S_n star



$\delta_v = \mathbb{1}_{\{v\}}$

eigenvalue	eigenvector	multiplicity
0	1	1
1	$\delta_{v_i} - \delta_{v_{i+1}}$	$n-2$
n	$\begin{pmatrix} -(n-1) \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ \vdots \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = y$	1

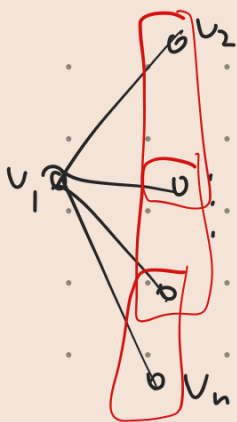
orthog δ_{v_i} same for all $2 \leq i \leq n$

$2 \leq i \leq n-1$

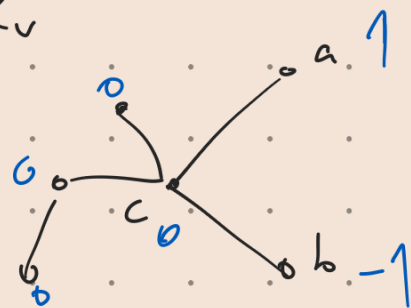
Lem. Let $G = (V, E)$ be an n -vo graph w/ two deg-1 vertices a & b , both adj. to another vertex c ,

then $x = \delta_a - \delta_b$ is an eigenvector of G w/ eigenvalue 1.

pf.: EXERCISE. $(Lx)_v = x_v$



$\left. \begin{matrix} v_2 - v_3 \\ v_3 - v_4 \\ \vdots \\ v_{n-1} - v_n \end{matrix} \right\} n-2$



Sum of diag. entries

$\text{tr}(L) = 2n-2 = \sum_{i=1}^n \lambda_i$

$L = \begin{pmatrix} n-1 & & & \\ & -1 & & \\ & & 1 & \\ & & & \ddots \\ -1 & & & & 1 \end{pmatrix}$

$\Rightarrow \lambda_n = n = n-2 + 0 + \lambda_n$

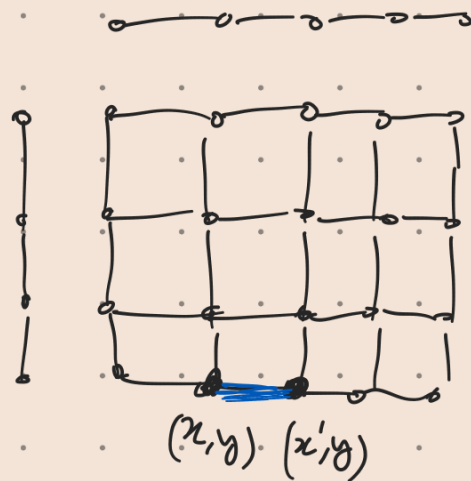
Def. : $G_1 = (V_1, E_1)$

$G_2 = (V_2, E_2)$

$V(G_1 \times G_2) = V_1 \times V_2$

$E(G_1 \times G_2) :$ $(x, y) \sim (x', y)$
 where $xx' \in E_1$

$(x, y) \sim (x, y')$
 where $yy' \in E_2$



Thm. : Given $G_i = (V_i, E_i)$, $i \in [2]$, w/ Laplacian

eigenvalues $\lambda_1^{(1)} \leq \dots \leq \lambda_n^{(1)}$ & $\lambda_1^{(2)} \leq \dots \leq \lambda_m^{(2)}$

eigenvector x_1, \dots, x_n \downarrow y_1, \dots, y_m

Then $G_1 \times G_2$ has

eigenvalues $\lambda_i^{(1)} + \lambda_j^{(2)}$ $\forall i \in [n]$ $\forall j \in [m]$ w/

eigenvector $Z_{ij} : (Z_{ij})_{(u,v)} = (x_i)_u \cdot (y_j)_v$

d-dim Hypercube Q_d



Q_1

eigenvalue

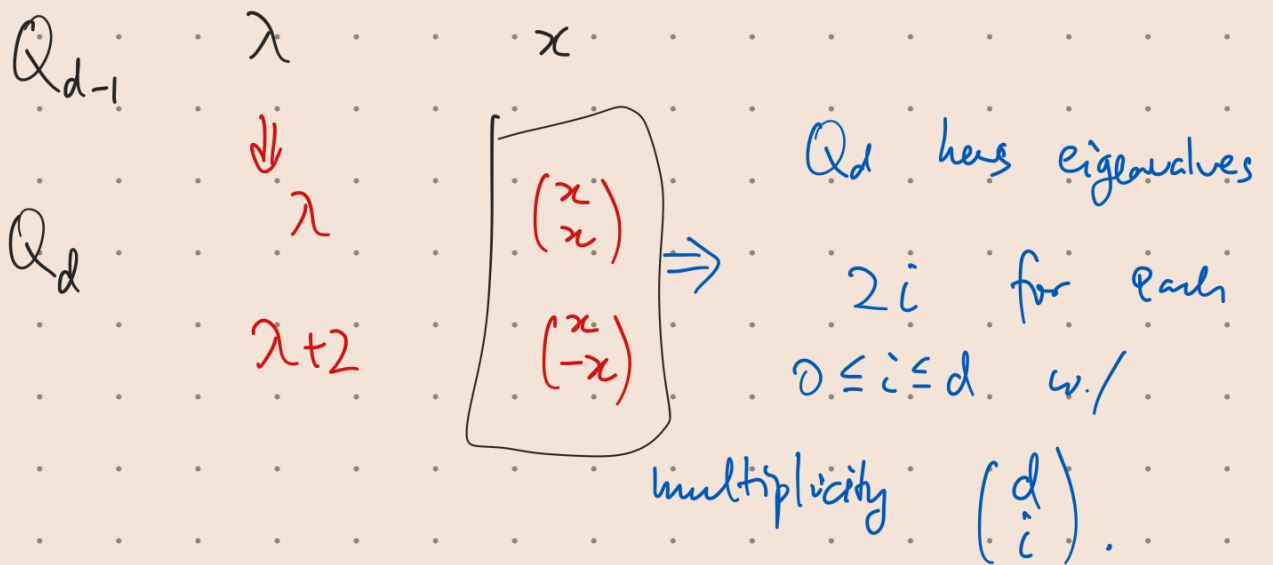
0

eigenvector

$\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$

2

$\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$



We can identify eigenvectors of L_{Q_d} w/ $V(Q_d)$

Take $v \in \{0, 1\}^d = V(Q_d)$



Eigenvector $\chi^{(v)}$: $\forall u \in V(Q_d)$

$$\chi_u^{(v)} = (-1)^{v^T u}$$