

Today - Spectral Expansion

- Expander Mixing Lemma

- Vertex vs Spectral Exp

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Pseudorandomness

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Today: Expansion in terms of spectrum of the (normalized) adjacency matrix.

$G = (V, E)$  on  $N$  vertices.  
(typically  $D$ -regular)

$A$  - adjacency matrix  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{V \times V}$

$$A(u, v) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } (u, v) \in E \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

$A$  is symmetric.

$M$  - (Normalized) Adjacency Matrix  
[Random Walk Matrix]

$$M(u, v) = A(u, v) / \deg(u) \quad \left| \begin{array}{l} \text{Row Stochastic} \\ \text{non-negative} \end{array} \right.$$

Equivalently  $M = D^{-1}A$  ;  $D = \text{Diag}(\text{deg})$

Linear Operator:  $\mathbb{R}^V \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^V$   
 (Left Multiplication)  $f \mapsto Mf$

$f \in \mathbb{R}^V$  (vectors - column vectors)

$$(Mf)(u) = \sum_v M(u,v) f(v), \forall u \in V.$$

"Averaging" Operators.

$$M \cdot \mathbb{1} = \mathbb{1}$$

Right Multiplication

$$p \in \mathbb{R}^V$$

$$p^T \mapsto p^T M$$

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$$(M^T p)(u) = \sum_v M^T(u,v) p(v)$$

$$= \sum_v M(v,u) p(v)$$

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p - prob dist on vertices.

} Random walk spectrum by Matrix

- Represents Random walk

$$p^T \rightarrow p^T M \rightarrow p^T M^2 \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow p^T M^n \rightarrow \dots$$

Is there a stationary dist.?

$$\text{i.e., } \pi^T = \pi^T M$$

$G$  is  $D$ -regular, then the uniform distribution

$$\text{i.e., } \pi(u) = \frac{1}{N}, \quad \forall u \in V$$

is a stationary distribution.

More generally,  $\pi(u) = \frac{\deg(u)}{\sum_{w \in V} \deg(w)}$

is a stationary dist. for  $M$

$$\text{i.e., } \pi^T M = \pi$$

Eigenvalues & Eigenvectors:

$M$  is a  $\mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ -matrix.

$\varphi \in \mathbb{R}^n \setminus \{0\}$ ,  $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$  such that

$$M\varphi = \lambda\varphi$$

$\varphi$  is an eigenvector w/ eigenvalue  $\lambda$

Quadratic Form

Inner Product:  $\langle, \rangle : \mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ .

bilinear  $\langle f, f \rangle \geq 0 \Leftrightarrow = 0$  iff  $f=0$ .

$f, g \in \mathbb{R}^V$

$$\langle f, g \rangle_{\pi} = \sum_{u \in V} \pi(u) f(u) g(u)$$

$$= \mathbb{E}_{u \leftarrow_{\pi} V} [f(u) g(u)]$$

Quadratic form associated w/  $M$

$$\langle f, Mg \rangle_{\pi} = \mathbb{E}_{u \leftarrow_{\pi} V} [f(u) (Mg)(u)]$$

$$= \mathbb{E}_{u \leftarrow_{\pi} V} \left[ f(u) \sum_{v \in V} M(u, v) g(v) \right]$$

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$$= \mathbb{E}_{e=(u,v) \leftarrow_{\pi} E} [f(u) g(v)]$$

$$= \langle g, Mf \rangle_{\pi} = \langle Mf, g \rangle_{\pi}$$

$M$  is self-adjoint w.r.t  $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle_{\pi}$

$$\text{i.e., } \langle f, Mg \rangle_{\pi} = \langle Mf, g \rangle_{\pi}$$

Spectral Theorem: Let  $M \in \mathbb{R}^{N \times N}$

&  $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$  be an inner product  
s.t.  $M$  is self-adjoint w.r.t.  $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$   
then there exist

$$v_1, \dots, v_n \in \mathbb{R}^N$$

$$\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$\text{s.t. } (i) \forall i, Mv_i = \lambda_i v_i$$

$$(ii) \langle v_i, v_j \rangle = \mathbb{1}[i=j]$$

Hence,  $M$  (ie, random walk matrix)  
has a full eigen decomposition.

Remark: (1)  $M\mathbb{1} = \mathbb{1}$  (ie,  $\mathbb{1}$  is an  
e-vector w/ e-value 1)

(2)  $M$ -averaging operators.

$$Mv = \lambda v \quad \text{for some } \lambda \in \mathbb{R} \\ \text{ \& } v \in \mathbb{R}^V$$

$$\text{then } |\lambda| \leq 1$$

M- random walk

$$1 = \lambda_1 \geq \lambda_2 \dots \geq \lambda_n \geq -1$$

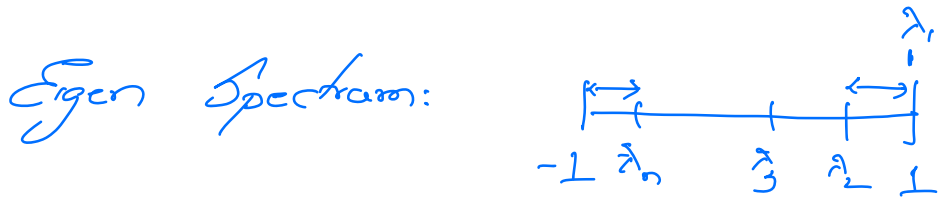
- evalues

$$\mathbb{1}, v_2, \dots, v_n$$

- e vectors

$v_i$  are pairwise orthogonal

$$\langle v_i, \mathbb{1} \rangle_{\pi} = 0.$$



$$\text{Spectral gap} = \min \{ 1 - \lambda_2, 1 - |\lambda_n| \}$$

Spectral Expansion:

A graph  $G = (V, E)$  on  $N$ -vertices is said to be a  $\gamma$ -spectral expander if spectral gap of the associated random walk matrix is at least  $\gamma$ .

$$\|f\|_{2, \pi}^2 = \langle f, f \rangle_{\pi}$$

Equivalently, spectral gap

$$\chi(M) = 1 - \max_{f \perp \mathbb{1}} \frac{\|Mf\|}{\|f\|}$$

(consequence to spectral theorem)

## Spectral Expansion vs Vertex Expansion

### Expander Mixing Lemma: (EML)

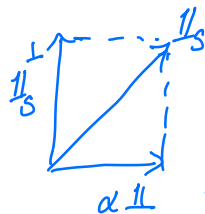
$M$ -random walk matrix with spectral gap  $1 - \lambda$ , and  $S, T \subseteq V$ ,  $\pi(S) = \alpha$ ,  $\pi(T) = \beta$ .

$$\left| \Pr_{e=(u,v) \sim E} [u \in S, v \in T] - \alpha\beta \right| \leq \lambda \sqrt{\alpha(1-\alpha)\beta(1-\beta)}$$

$$\leq \lambda \sqrt{\alpha\beta}$$


Pf:  $\mathbb{1}_S$  - indicator vector for set  $S$

$$\mathbb{1}_S(u) = \mathbb{1}[u \in S]$$



$$\mathbb{1}_S = a \cdot \mathbb{1} + \mathbb{1}_S^\perp \quad \text{where } \mathbb{1}_S^\perp \perp \mathbb{1}$$

$$\langle \mathbb{1}_S, \mathbb{1} \rangle_\pi = a \langle \mathbb{1}, \mathbb{1} \rangle \Rightarrow \alpha = a \cdot 1$$

Hence,  $\underline{1}_S = \alpha \underline{1} + \underline{1}_S^\perp$

Similarly  $\underline{1}_T = \beta \underline{1} + \underline{1}_T^\perp$

$$P_{\mathcal{H}}[u \in S, v \in T]_{(u,v) \sim E} = \langle \underline{1}_S, M \underline{1}_T \rangle_{\mathcal{K}}$$

$$= \langle \alpha \underline{1} + \underline{1}_S^\perp, M(\beta \underline{1} + \underline{1}_T^\perp) \rangle_{\mathcal{K}}$$

$$= \alpha\beta \langle \underline{1}, \underline{1} \rangle_{\mathcal{K}} + \alpha \langle \underline{1}, M \underline{1}_T^\perp \rangle_{\mathcal{K}}$$

$$+ \beta \langle \underline{1}_S^\perp, M \underline{1} \rangle_{\mathcal{K}} + \langle \underline{1}_S^\perp, M \underline{1}_T^\perp \rangle_{\mathcal{K}}$$

$$= \alpha\beta + \alpha \langle M \underline{1}, \underline{1}_T^\perp \rangle_{\mathcal{K}} +$$

$$\beta \langle \underline{1}_S^\perp, M \underline{1} \rangle_{\mathcal{K}} + \langle \underline{1}_S^\perp, M \underline{1}_T^\perp \rangle_{\mathcal{K}}$$

$$= \alpha\beta + \langle \underline{1}_S^\perp, M \underline{1}_T^\perp \rangle_{\mathcal{K}}$$

$$|P_{\mathcal{H}}[u \in S, v \in T]_{(u,v) \sim E} - \alpha\beta| = |\langle \underline{1}_S^\perp, M \underline{1}_T^\perp \rangle_{\mathcal{K}}|$$

$$\leq \|\underline{1}_S^\perp\|_{2, \mathcal{K}} \|\underline{1}_T^\perp\|_{2, \mathcal{K}}$$

$$\leq \|\underline{1}_S^\perp\|_2 \cdot \lambda \|\underline{1}_T^\perp\|_{2, \mathcal{K}}$$

What is  $\|\underline{1}_S^\perp\|_2$

$$\underline{1}_S = \alpha \underline{1} + \underline{1}_S^\perp$$



$$\|\underline{1}_S\|_2^2 = \|\alpha \underline{1}\|_2^2 + \|\underline{1}_S^\perp\|_2^2$$

$$\langle \underline{1}_S, \underline{1}_S \rangle_\pi = \alpha^2 \langle \underline{1}, \underline{1} \rangle_\pi + \|\underline{1}_S^\perp\|_2^2$$

$$\alpha = \alpha^2 + \|\underline{1}_S^\perp\|_2^2$$

$$\|\underline{1}_S^\perp\|_2 = \sqrt{\alpha(1-\alpha)}$$

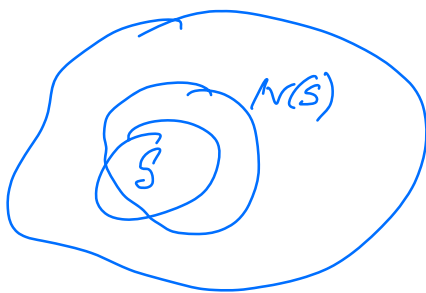
$$\begin{aligned} |\text{Diff}| &\leq \lambda \|\underline{1}_S^\perp\|_{2\pi} \cdot \|\underline{1}_T^\perp\|_{2\pi} \\ &= \lambda \sqrt{\alpha(1-\alpha) \beta(1-\beta)} \end{aligned}$$



(Partial Converse: [Bilu Lioral])

EML conclusion  $\Rightarrow$  spectral gap,  
 $|P_\pi - \alpha\beta| \leq O\sqrt{\alpha\beta} \Rightarrow \lambda \leq C O\left(\frac{1}{H \log \frac{1}{\epsilon}}\right)$

Spectral Expansion  $\Rightarrow$  Vertex Expansion



$$S \cdot \pi(S) = \alpha$$

$$N(S) \cdot \pi(N(S)) = \beta$$

$$T = V \setminus N(S)$$

Apply EML to sets  $S$  &  $T$ .

$$\left| P_\pi[u \in S, v \in T] - \alpha(1-\beta) \right| \leq \lambda \sqrt{\alpha(1-\alpha) \beta(1-\beta)}$$

$(u, v) \in E$

$$\Rightarrow \alpha(1-\beta) \leq \lambda \sqrt{\alpha(1-\alpha)\beta(1-\beta)}$$

$$\Rightarrow \alpha(1-\beta) \leq \lambda^2 \beta(1-\alpha)$$

$$\Rightarrow \beta \geq \frac{\alpha}{\lambda^2(1-\alpha) + \alpha}$$

ie,  $\pi(S) = \alpha$ , then  $\pi(N(S)) \geq \frac{\alpha}{\lambda^2(1-\alpha) + \alpha}$   
 $= \alpha \left( \frac{1}{\alpha(1-\lambda^2) + \lambda^2} \right)$

Sets of size  $\alpha n$  expand by  $\frac{1}{\alpha(1-\lambda^2) + \lambda^2}$ -factor  
 $= \frac{\alpha}{\alpha(1-\lambda^2) + \lambda^2}$

Thm:  $G = (V, E)$  is a  $N$ -vertex graph  
 $D$ -regular w/ spectral gap  $\gamma = 1 - \lambda$ , then for all  
 $p \in (0, 1)$   
for all sets  $S$  of size at most

$$pN, \quad N(S) \geq \frac{|S|}{\lambda^2(1-p) + p}$$

ie,  $G$  is  $\left( pN, \frac{1}{\lambda^2(1-p) + p} \right)$ -vertex expander.

Alternate viewpoint of EML.

$$f, g: V \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

$$\left| \frac{1}{|E|} \sum_{(u,v) \in E} [f(u)g(v)] - \mu_f \mu_g \right| \leq \lambda \sigma_f \sigma_g$$

(where means, s.d  
is computed w.r.t  $\pi$ )

$$\mu_f = E_{\pi}[f(c)]$$

$$\sigma_f^2 = E_{\pi}[f^2(c)] - \left(E_{\pi}[f(c)]\right)^2$$