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## Machine Learning for Graphs and Sequential Data

Graded Exercise: IN2323 / Endterm Date: Friday 30<sup>th</sup> July, 2021

**Examiner:** Prof. Dr. Stephan Günnemann **Time:** 11:30 – 12:45

#### Working instructions

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- Instructor announcements and clarifications will be posted on Piazza with email notifications.
- Exercise duration 75 minutes.

## **Problem 1 (Version C)**



We compute the density using the change of variables formula

$$p_2(\mathbf{x}^{(0)}) = p_1(f^{-1}(\mathbf{x}^{(0)})) \left| \frac{\partial f^{-1}(\mathbf{x}^{(0)})}{\partial \mathbf{x}} \right|.$$

The inverse transformation is

$$f^{-1}(\mathbf{x}^{(0)}) = \mathbf{A}^{-1}\mathbf{x}^{(0)} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 4 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1/2 \\ 1/8 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1/2 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Therefore,

$$p_1(f^{-1}(\mathbf{x}^{(0)})) = \frac{1}{4}.$$

Since f is a linear transformation, the Jacobian determinant is

$$\left| \frac{\partial f^{-1}(\boldsymbol{x}^{(0)})}{\partial \boldsymbol{x}} \right| = \det(\boldsymbol{A}^{-1}) = 8.$$

Putting everything together, we get

$$p_2(\mathbf{x}^{(0)}) = \frac{1}{4} \cdot 8 = 2.$$

## Problem 2 (Version A)

Our goal is to find a transformation  $\mathcal{T}_\phi: [0,1] \to \mathbb{R}$  such that

$$F_{x}(a) = \Pr(x \le a)$$

$$= \Pr(T_{\phi}(u) \le a)$$

$$= \Pr(u \le T_{\phi}^{-1}(a))$$

$$= F_{u}(T_{\phi}^{-1}(a))$$

$$= T_{\phi}^{-1}(a)$$

where  $F_u$  is the CDF of the Uniform([0, 1]) distribution. We can rewrite the above equation as

$$\frac{1}{1 + \exp(-\phi a)} = T_{\phi}^{-1}(a)$$

$$\frac{1}{1 + \exp(-\phi T_{\phi}(a))} = T_{\phi}^{-1}(T_{\phi}(a))$$

$$\frac{1}{1 + \exp(-\phi T_{\phi}(a))} = a$$

$$\exp(-\phi T_{\phi}(a)) = \frac{1}{a} - 1$$

$$T_{\phi}(a) = -\frac{1}{\phi} \log\left(\frac{1}{a} - 1\right)$$

Hence,  $T_{\phi}(a) = -\frac{1}{\phi} \log \left(\frac{1}{a} - 1\right)$  is the desired transformation.



# Problem 3 (Version B)

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2	Yes, since there are no restrictions on the decoder in a VAE.We might need to apply some nonlinea ensure that the parameters are valid (e.g., nonnegative).	rity to
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1 2	Yes, since there are no restrictions on the the generator in a GAN.	

# **Problem 4 (Version B)**

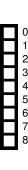
We introduce a vector  $q \in \{0, 1\}^D$  of binary variables, indicating which input features are perturbed by the adversary.

We can then introduce  $2 \cdot D$  constraints to express that  $q_d = 0 \implies \tilde{x}_d = X_d$ :

$$\tilde{x}_d - x_d \le q_d \epsilon \ \forall i, j$$
  
 $\tilde{x}_d - x_d \ge q_d \epsilon \ \forall i, j$ 

and one constraint to ensure that at most  $\boldsymbol{\eta}$  pixels are perturbed:

$$\sum_{d=0}^{D-1} q_d \leq \eta$$



## **Problem 5 (Version B)**

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The only root of its characteristic polynomial is 1 which is not strictly outside the unit circle. Therefore the process is not stationary.



By plugging in the original process we see that

$$X_t' = (X_{t-1} + \varepsilon_t) - X_{t-1} = \varepsilon_t.$$

As such the sequence elements will just be i.i.d. noise variables which directly fulfill the definition of stationarity: their mean is 0 and therefore constant, their covariance is also 0 and thus independent of t and, finally, their variance is 1, so finite.

#### Problem 6 (Version D)

We are looking for the most likely latent state at a single point in time  $\arg \max_{Z_2} \Pr(Z_2 \mid X_{1:3})$  which we can get from the forward-backward algorithm.

$$Pr(Z_2 \mid X_{1:3}) \propto Pr(Z_2, X_{1:3}) = Pr(Z_2, X_{1:2}) \cdot Pr(X_3 \mid Z_2) = \alpha_2 \odot \beta_2$$

We compute the forward and backward variables  $\alpha_t$  and  $\beta_t$  as follows.

$$\boldsymbol{\alpha}_1 = \boldsymbol{B}_{:,2} \odot \boldsymbol{\pi} \propto \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 6 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \qquad \boldsymbol{\alpha}_2 = \boldsymbol{B}_{:,2} \odot \boldsymbol{A}^{\mathsf{T}} \boldsymbol{\alpha}_1 \propto \boldsymbol{B}_{:,2} \odot \begin{pmatrix} 16 \\ 14 \\ 10 \end{pmatrix} \propto \begin{pmatrix} 16 \\ 42 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$eta_3 \propto \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \qquad eta_2 = \mathbf{A}(\mathbf{B}_{:,3} \odot eta_3) \propto \mathbf{A} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} \propto \begin{pmatrix} 9 \\ 7 \\ 13 \end{pmatrix}$$

In the end, we get that

$$\Pr(Z_2 \mid X_{1:3}) \propto \alpha_2 \odot \beta_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 144 \\ 294 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

and therefore the most likely latent state  $Z_2$  is 2.



There are two equivalent ways to answer this question.

• We know that the inter-event times  $\tau_i$  in a homogeneous Poisson process with rate are distributed according to the Exponential( $\frac{1}{n}$ ) distribution. Therefore,

$$Pr(t_1 > T) = Pr(\tau_1 > T) = exp(-\mu T).$$

• Equivalently, we know from the properties of the Poisson process that the number of events N follows  $Poisson(\int_0^T \mu dt) = Poisson(\mu T)$ . Hence, we can use the probability mass function of the Poisson distribution to compute

$$Pr(N = 0) = \frac{(\mu T)^0 \exp(-\mu T)}{0!} = \exp(-\mu T).$$



#### Problem 8: Graphs - Clustering (Version A)

We compute the likelihood

$$P(A|\boldsymbol{\eta}, \boldsymbol{z}) = \prod_{ij} \frac{(\eta_{z_i z_j})^{A_{ij}}}{A_{ij}!} e^{-\eta_{z_i z_j}}$$

We can equivalently maximize the log-likelihood:

$$\begin{split} \log P(A | \boldsymbol{\eta}, \boldsymbol{z}) &= \sum_{ij} - \log(A_{ij}!) + A_{ij} \log \eta_{z_i z_j} - \eta_{z_i z_j} \\ &= - \sum_{ij} \log(A_{ij}!) + \sum_{ij} A_{ij} \log \eta_{z_i z_j} - \sum_{ij} \eta_{z_i z_j} \end{split}$$

We make use of the shorthand notation  $N_p = \sum_{i=1}^N \mathbb{1}(z_i = p)$  and  $M_{pq} = \sum_{i=1}^N \sum_{j=1}^N A_{ij} \mathbb{1}(z_i = p, z_j = q)$ , and rewrite the log-likelihood:

$$\log P(A|\boldsymbol{\eta}, \boldsymbol{z}) = const + \sum_{p,q} m_{pq} \log \eta_{pq} - \sum_{p,q} n_p n_q \eta_{pq}.$$

We compute the derivative with respect to  $\eta_{\it pq}$  and set it to 0:

$$\frac{\partial \log P(A|\boldsymbol{\eta}, \boldsymbol{z})}{\partial \eta_{pq}} = \frac{m_{pq}}{\eta_{pq}} - n_p n_q$$

which gives  $\eta_{pq} = \frac{m_{pq}}{n_o n_a}$ .



#### **Problem 8: Graphs - Clustering (Version B)**

We compute the likelihood

$$P(A|\boldsymbol{\eta}, \boldsymbol{z}) = \prod_{ij} \frac{(\eta_{z_i z_j})^{A_{ij}}}{A_{ij}!} e^{-\eta_{z_i z_j}}$$

We can equivalently maximize the log-likelihood:

$$\begin{split} \log P(A | \boldsymbol{\eta}, \boldsymbol{z}) &= \sum_{ij} - \log(A_{ij}!) + A_{ij} \log \eta_{z_i z_j} - \eta_{z_i z_j} \\ &= - \sum_{ij} \log(A_{ij}!) + \sum_{ij} A_{ij} \log \eta_{z_i z_j} - \sum_{ij} \eta_{z_i z_j} \end{split}$$

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$$\log P(A|\boldsymbol{\eta}, \boldsymbol{z}) = const + \sum_{p,q} m_{pq} \log \eta_{pq} - \sum_{p,q} n_p n_q \eta_{pq}.$$

We compute the derivative with respect to  $\eta_{pq}$  and set it to 0:

$$\frac{\partial \log P(A|\eta, \mathbf{z})}{\partial \eta_{pq}} = \frac{m_{pq}}{\eta_{pq}} - n_p n_q$$

which gives  $\eta_{pq} = \frac{m_{pq}}{n_{p}n_{q}}$ .

#### Problem 8: Graphs - Clustering (Version C)

We compute the likelihood

$$P(A|\boldsymbol{\eta}, \boldsymbol{z}) = \prod_{ij} \frac{(\eta_{z_i z_j})^{A_{ij}}}{A_{ij}!} e^{-\eta_{z_i z_j}}$$

We can equivalently maximize the log-likelihood:

$$\begin{split} \log P(A | \boldsymbol{\eta}, \boldsymbol{z}) &= \sum_{ij} - \log(A_{ij}!) + A_{ij} \log \eta_{z_i z_j} - \eta_{z_i z_j} \\ &= - \sum_{ij} \log(A_{ij}!) + \sum_{ij} A_{ij} \log \eta_{z_i z_j} - \sum_{ij} \eta_{z_i z_j} \end{split}$$

We make use of the shorthand notation  $N_p = \sum_{i=1}^N \mathbb{1}(z_i = p)$  and  $M_{pq} = \sum_{i=1}^N \sum_{j=1}^N A_{ij} \mathbb{1}(z_i = p, z_j = q)$ , and rewrite the log-likelihood:

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We compute the derivative with respect to  $\eta_{\it pq}$  and set it to 0:

$$\frac{\partial \log P(A|\boldsymbol{\eta}, \boldsymbol{z})}{\partial \eta_{pq}} = \frac{m_{pq}}{\eta_{pq}} - n_p n_q$$

which gives  $\eta_{pq} = \frac{m_{pq}}{n_o n_a}$ .



#### **Problem 8: Graphs - Clustering (Version D)**

We compute the likelihood

$$P(A|\boldsymbol{\eta}, \boldsymbol{z}) = \prod_{ij} \frac{(\eta_{z_i z_j})^{A_{ij}}}{A_{ij}!} e^{-\eta_{z_i z_j}}$$

We can equivalently maximize the log-likelihood:

$$\begin{split} \log P(A | \boldsymbol{\eta}, \boldsymbol{z}) &= \sum_{ij} - \log(A_{ij}!) + A_{ij} \log \eta_{z_i z_j} - \eta_{z_i z_j} \\ &= - \sum_{ij} \log(A_{ij}!) + \sum_{ij} A_{ij} \log \eta_{z_i z_j} - \sum_{ij} \eta_{z_i z_j} \end{split}$$

We make use of the shorthand notation  $N_p = \sum_{i=1}^N \mathbb{1}(z_i = p)$  and  $M_{pq} = \sum_{i=1}^N \sum_{j=1}^N A_{ij} \mathbb{1}(z_i = p, z_j = q)$ , and rewrite the log-likelihood:

$$\log P(A|\boldsymbol{\eta}, \boldsymbol{z}) = const + \sum_{p,q} m_{pq} \log \eta_{pq} - \sum_{p,q} n_p n_q \eta_{pq}.$$

We compute the derivative with respect to  $\eta_{pq}$  and set it to 0:

$$\frac{\partial \log P(A|\eta, \mathbf{z})}{\partial \eta_{pq}} = \frac{m_{pq}}{\eta_{pq}} - n_p n_q$$

which gives  $\eta_{pq} = \frac{m_{pq}}{n_{p}n_{q}}$ .

# Problem 9: Graphs - Ranking (Version A)

a) The stationnary distribution of the random walk associated with G is the vector  $\pi(\infty) = [1, 0, 0, 0]$  satisfies  $A\pi(\infty) = \pi(\infty)$  and normalized to 1. b) It is impossible to get from state 1 to other states i.e. state 1 is a dead end without out-links.

c)

The node 1 is a dead end. Therefore, there are three options to make the graph G' irreducible: add edge (1,2), (1,3) or (1,4).

The three systems of pagerank equations are respectively:

$$\begin{cases} r_1 = \frac{r_2}{2} + \frac{r_3}{2} \\ r_2 = r_4 + r_1 \\ r_3 = \frac{r_2}{2} \\ r_4 = \frac{r_3}{2} \end{cases} \qquad \begin{cases} r_1 = \frac{r_2}{2} + \frac{r_3}{2} \\ r_2 = r_4 \\ r_3 = \frac{r_2}{2} + r_1 \\ r_4 = \frac{r_3}{2} \end{cases} \qquad \begin{cases} r_1 = \frac{r_2}{2} + \frac{r_3}{2} \\ r_2 = r_4 \\ r_3 = \frac{r_2}{2} + r_1 \\ r_4 = \frac{r_3}{2} + r_1 \end{cases}$$

where we also enforce  $r_1 + r_2 + r_3 + r_4 = 1$ . Solving the systems lead respectively to:

$$\begin{cases} r_1 = \frac{r_2}{2} + \frac{r_3}{2} \\ r_2 = \frac{4r_1}{3} \end{cases} \qquad \begin{cases} r_1 = \frac{r_2}{2} + \frac{r_3}{2} \\ r_2 = \frac{2r_1}{3} \end{cases} \qquad \begin{cases} r_2 = \frac{2r_1}{3} \\ r_3 = \frac{4r_1}{3} \end{cases} \qquad \begin{cases} r_3 = \frac{4r_1}{3} \\ r_4 = \frac{r_1}{3} \end{cases} \qquad \begin{cases} r_4 = \frac{2r_1}{3} \\ r_4 = \frac{4r_1}{3} \end{cases} \end{cases}$$

Taking into account the normalization constraint, we obtain  $r_1 = \frac{3}{10}$ ,  $r_2 = \frac{4}{10}$ ,  $r_3 = \frac{2}{10}$ ,  $r_4 = \frac{1}{10}$  and  $r_1 = \frac{3}{11}$ ,  $r_2 = \frac{2}{11}$ ,  $r_3 = \frac{4}{11}$ ,  $r_4 = \frac{2}{11}$  and  $r_1 = \frac{3}{13}$ ,  $r_2 = \frac{4}{13}$ ,  $r_4 = \frac{4}{13}$ . The best edge to add is (1, 2) to maximize the rank of node 1.

### **Problem 9: Graphs - Ranking (Version B)**

a) The stationnary distribution of the random walk associated with G is the vector  $\pi(\infty) = [0, 1, 0, 0]$  satisfies  $A\pi(\infty) = \pi(\infty)$  and normalized to 1. It defines the stationnary distribution of the random walk associated b) It is impossible to get from state 2 to other states i.e. state 2 is a dead end without out-links.

c)

The node 2 is a dead end. Therefore, there are three options to make the graph G' irreducible: add edge (2, 1), (2, 3) or (2, 4).

The three systems of pagerank equations are respectively:

$$\begin{cases} r_1 = r_4 + r_2 \\ r_2 = \frac{r_1}{2} + \frac{r_3}{2} \end{cases} \begin{cases} r_1 = r_4 \\ r_2 = \frac{r_1}{2} + \frac{r_3}{2} \end{cases} \begin{cases} r_1 = \frac{r_2}{2} + \frac{r_3}{2} \\ r_2 = \frac{r_1}{2} + \frac{r_3}{2} \end{cases} \\ r_3 = \frac{r_1}{2} + r_2 \\ r_4 = \frac{r_3}{2} \end{cases} \begin{cases} r_1 = \frac{r_2}{2} + \frac{r_3}{2} \\ r_2 = \frac{r_1}{2} + \frac{r_3}{2} \end{cases}$$

where we also enforce  $r_1 + r_2 + r_3 + r_4 = 1$ . Solving the systems lead respectively to:

$$\begin{cases} r_1 = \frac{4r_2}{3} \\ r_2 = \frac{r_1}{2} + \frac{r_3}{2} \\ r_3 = \frac{2r_2}{3} \\ r_4 = \frac{r_2}{3} \end{cases} \qquad \begin{cases} r_1 = \frac{2r_2}{3} \\ r_2 = \frac{r_1}{2} + \frac{r_3}{2} \\ r_3 = \frac{4r_2}{3} \\ r_4 = \frac{2r_2}{3} \end{cases} \qquad \begin{cases} r_1 = \frac{4r_2}{3} \\ r_2 = \frac{r_1}{2} + \frac{r_3}{2} \\ r_3 = \frac{2r_2}{3} \\ r_4 = \frac{4r_2}{3} \end{cases}$$

Taking into account the normalization constraint, we obtain  $r_1=\frac{4}{10}, r_2=\frac{3}{10}, r_3=\frac{2}{10}, r_4=\frac{1}{10}$  and  $r_1=\frac{2}{11}, r_2=\frac{3}{11}, r_3=\frac{4}{11}, r_4=\frac{2}{11}$  and  $r_1=\frac{4}{13}, r_2=\frac{3}{13}, r_3=\frac{2}{13}, r_4=\frac{4}{13}$ . The best edge to add is (2, 1) to maximize the rank of node 1.

## Problem 9: Graphs - Ranking (Version C)

a) The stationnary distribution of the random walk associated with G is the vector  $\pi(\infty) = [0, 0, 1, 0]$  satisfies  $A\pi(\infty) = \pi(\infty)$  and normalized to 1. It defines the stationnary distribution of the random walk associated b) It is impossible to get from state 3 to other states i.e. state 3 is a dead end without out-links.

c)

The node 3 is a dead end. Therefore, there are three options to make the graph G' irreducible: add edge (3, 1), (3, 2) or (3, 4).

The three systems of pagerank equations are respectively:

$$\begin{cases} r_1 = \frac{r_2}{2} + r_3 & \begin{cases} r_1 = \frac{r_2}{2} \\ r_2 = r_4 \end{cases} & \begin{cases} r_1 = \frac{r_2}{2} \\ r_2 = r_4 + r_3 \end{cases} & \begin{cases} r_1 = \frac{r_2}{2} \\ r_2 = r_4 \end{cases} \\ r_3 = \frac{r_1}{2} + \frac{r_2}{2} \end{cases} & \begin{cases} r_4 = \frac{r_1}{2} + \frac{r_2}{2} \\ r_4 = \frac{r_1}{2} + r_3 \end{cases} \end{cases}$$

where we also enforce  $r_1 + r_2 + r_3 + r_4 = 1$ . Solving the systems lead respectively to:

$$\begin{cases} r_1 = \frac{4r_3}{3} \\ r_2 = \frac{2r_3}{3} \\ r_3 = \frac{r_1}{2} + \frac{r_2}{2} \\ r_4 = \frac{2r_3}{3} \end{cases} \qquad \begin{cases} r_1 = \frac{2r_3}{3} \\ r_2 = \frac{4r_3}{3} \\ r_3 = \frac{r_1}{2} + \frac{r_3}{2} \\ r_4 = \frac{1r_3}{3} \end{cases} \qquad \begin{cases} r_1 = \frac{2r_3}{3} \\ r_2 = \frac{4r_3}{2} \\ r_3 = \frac{r_1}{2} + \frac{r_3}{2} \\ r_4 = \frac{4r_3}{3} \end{cases}$$

Taking into account the normalization constraint, we obtain  $r_1 = \frac{4}{11}$ ,  $r_2 = \frac{2}{11}$ ,  $r_3 = \frac{3}{11}$ ,  $r_4 = \frac{2}{11}$  and  $r_1 = \frac{2}{10}$ ,  $r_2 = \frac{4}{10}$ ,  $r_3 = \frac{3}{10}$ ,  $r_4 = \frac{1}{10}$  and  $r_1 = \frac{2}{13}$ ,  $r_2 = \frac{4}{13}$ ,  $r_3 = \frac{3}{13}$ ,  $r_4 = \frac{4}{13}$ .

The best edge to add is (3, 1) to maximize the rank of node 1.

## **Problem 9: Graphs - Ranking (Version D)**

a) The stationnary distribution of the random walk associated with G is the vector  $\pi(\infty) = [0, 0, 0, 1]$  satisfies  $A\pi(\infty) = \pi(\infty)$  and normalized to 1. It defines the stationnary distribution of the random walk associated b) It is impossible to get from state 4 to other states i.e. state 4 is a dead end without out-links.

c)

The node 4 is a dead end. Therefore, there are three options to make the graph G' irreducible: add edge (4, 1), (4, 2) or (4, 3).

The three systems of pagerank equations are respectively:

$$\begin{cases} r_1 = \frac{r_3}{2} + r_4 \\ r_2 = r_1 \\ r_3 = \frac{r_2}{2} \\ r_4 = \frac{r_2}{2} + \frac{r_3}{2} \end{cases} \qquad \begin{cases} r_1 = \frac{r_3}{2} \\ r_2 = r_1 + r_4 \\ r_3 = \frac{r_2}{2} \\ r_4 = \frac{r_2}{2} + \frac{r_3}{2} \end{cases} \qquad \begin{cases} r_1 = \frac{r_3}{2} \\ r_2 = r_1 \\ r_3 = \frac{r_2}{2} + r_4 \\ r_4 = \frac{r_2}{2} + \frac{r_3}{2} \end{cases}$$

where we also enforce  $r_1 + r_2 + r_3 + r_4 = 1$ . Solving the systems lead respectively to:

$$\begin{cases} r_1 = \frac{4r_4}{3} \\ r_2 = \frac{4r_4}{3} \\ r_3 = \frac{2r_4}{3} \\ r_4 = \frac{r_2}{2} + \frac{r_3}{2} \end{cases} \qquad \begin{cases} r_1 = \frac{1r_4}{3} \\ r_2 = \frac{4r_4}{3} \\ r_3 = \frac{2r_4}{3} \\ r_4 = \frac{r_2}{2} + \frac{r_3}{2} \end{cases} \qquad \begin{cases} r_1 = \frac{2r_4}{3} \\ r_2 = \frac{2r_4}{3} \\ r_3 = \frac{2r_4}{3} \\ r_4 = \frac{r_2}{2} + \frac{r_3}{2} \end{cases} \qquad \begin{cases} r_1 = \frac{2r_4}{3} \\ r_2 = \frac{2r_4}{3} \\ r_3 = \frac{4r_4}{3} \\ r_4 = \frac{r_2}{2} + \frac{r_3}{2} \end{cases}$$

Taking into account the normalization constraint, we obtain  $r_1 = \frac{4}{13}$ ,  $r_2 = \frac{4}{13}$ ,  $r_3 = \frac{2}{13}$ ,  $r_4 = \frac{3}{13}$  and  $r_1 = \frac{1}{10}$ ,  $r_2 = \frac{4}{10}$ ,  $r_3 = \frac{2}{10}$ ,  $r_4 = \frac{3}{10}$  and  $r_1 = \frac{2}{11}$ ,  $r_2 = \frac{2}{11}$ ,  $r_3 = \frac{4}{11}$ ,  $r_4 = \frac{3}{11}$ . The best edge to add is (3, 1) to maximize the rank of node 1.

a)

This problem is equivalent to the minimum cut problem separating the two clusters.

Optimal label assignments are  $\mathbf{y}_U = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $\mathbf{y}_U = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ . They achieve a minimum cost of 2.

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b)

We first write the Laplacian L and L' in block form of both graphs G and G':

$$\mathbf{L} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{L}_{SS} & \mathbf{L}_{SU} \\ \mathbf{L}_{US} & \mathbf{L}_{UU} \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^{5 \times 5}$$

and

$$\mathbf{L}' = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{L}'_{SS} & \mathbf{L}'_{SU} \\ \mathbf{L}'_{US} & \mathbf{L}'_{UU} \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^{6 \times 6}$$

Given this notation, we can write the closed-form solution for both graphs:

$$\mathbf{y}_U^* = -\mathbf{L}_{UU}^{-1}\mathbf{L}_{US}\hat{\mathbf{y}}_S$$
 and  $\mathbf{y}_U^{\prime*} = -\mathbf{L}_{UU}^{\prime-1}\mathbf{L}_{US}^{\prime}\hat{\mathbf{y}}_S^{\prime}$ 

We note that  $\mathbf{L}'_{UU} = \mathbf{L}_{UU}$ ,  $\mathbf{L}'_{SU} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{L}_{SU} \end{bmatrix}$  and  $\hat{\mathbf{y}}'_{S} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{1} \\ \hat{\mathbf{y}}_{S} \end{bmatrix}$ . Finally, we obtain:

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