

Predicting Graph Labels using Perceptron

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Online learning over graphs

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Prediction on a graph with a perceptron

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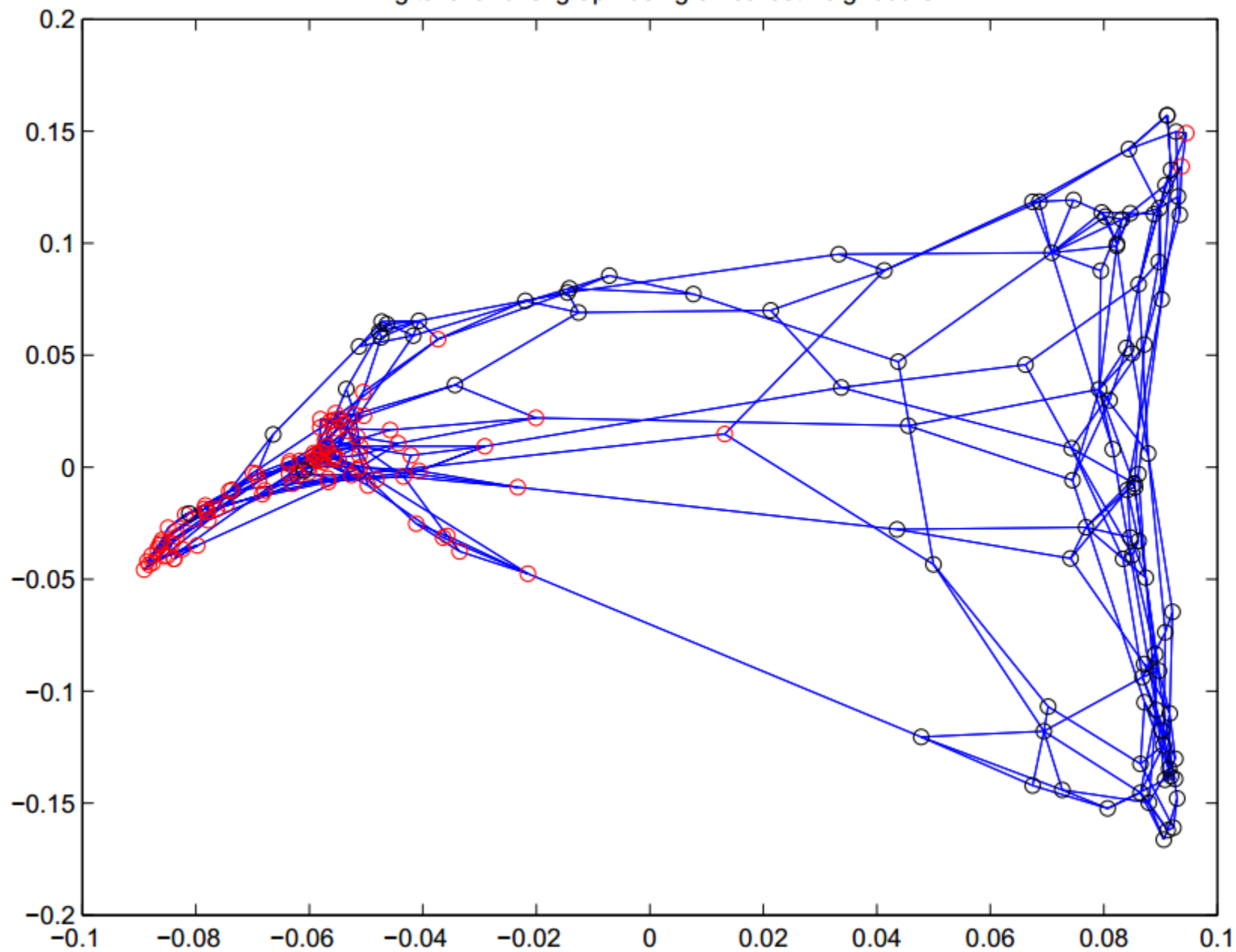
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Problem Setting

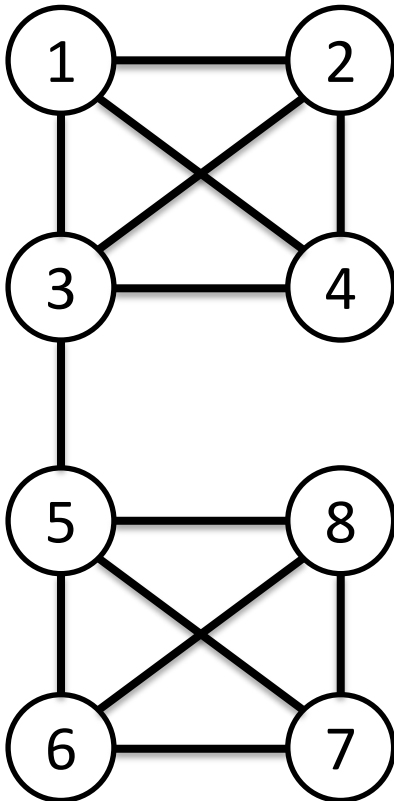
- Known graph, unknown labels on vertices
 - eg. Advertisement service on web page
 - eg. Digit recognition task on USPS (graph is built using NN)

Digits '3' and '8' graph using 3 nearest neighbours

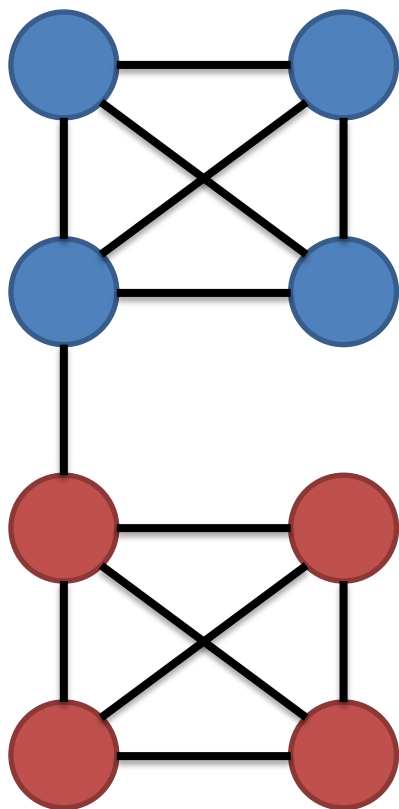


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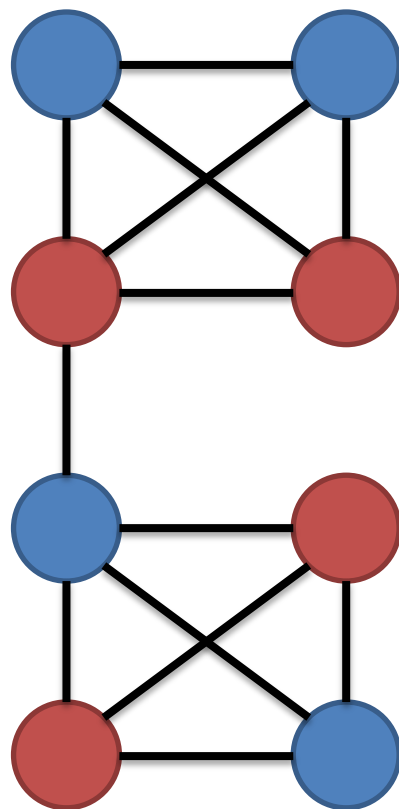
- Given a graph $G = (V, E)$ where $V = \{1, \dots, n\}$
- for $t = 1, \dots, l$
 - nature selects $v_t \in V$
 - learner predicts $\hat{y}_t \in \{1, -1\}$
 - nature reveals $y_t \in \{1, -1\}$
 - if $\hat{y}_t \neq y_t$, $mistakes = mistakes + 1$
- minimize *mistakes*



Node	Predict	Nature	Mistakes
1	1	-1	1
2	-1	-1	1
3	-1	-1	1
4	-1	-1	1
5	-1	1	2
6	1	1	2
7	1	1	2
8	1	1	2



“easy”



“hard”

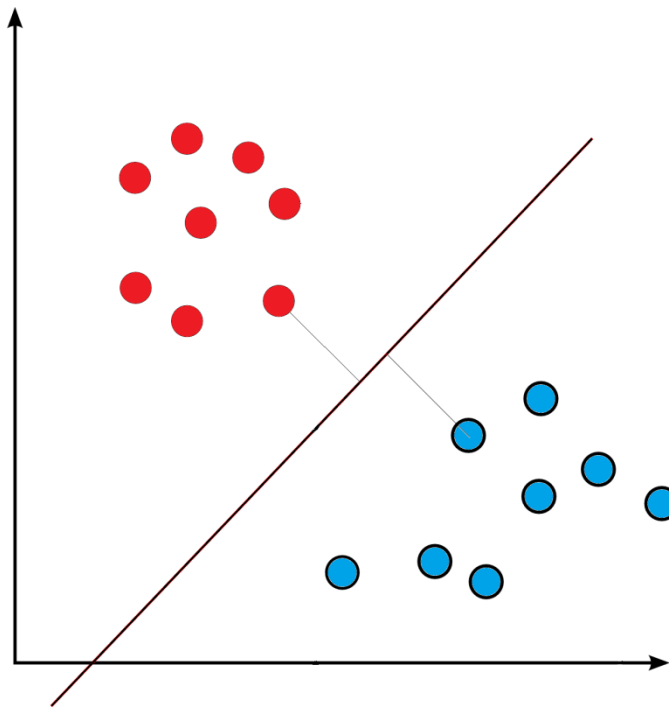
Problem Setting

- Implicit assumption: adjacent nodes have similar labels
- The nature can be adversarial, and the learner can always make mistake; yet if the nature is regular and simple, then it is possible for the learner to make only a few mistake.
- Bound *mistakes* using complexity of nature's labelling
- Assume graph is connected, unweighted

What algorithm are we going to use?

Perceptron

- simply linear classification
- assume linearly separable with margin 1



Perceptron: algorithm

- data: $\{(\mathbf{x}_1, y_1), \dots, (\mathbf{x}_l, y_l)\} \subset (\mathcal{H} \times \{1, -1\})^l$
- Initial $\mathbf{w}_1 = \mathbf{0} \in \mathcal{H}$
- For $t = 1, \dots, l$
 - receive $\mathbf{x}_t \in \mathcal{H}$
 - predict $\hat{y}_t = \text{sign}(\langle \mathbf{w}_t, \mathbf{x}_t \rangle)$
 - receive $y_t \in \{1, -1\}$
 - if $\hat{y}_t \neq y_t$
 - $\text{mistake} = \text{mistake} + 1$
 - $\mathbf{w}_{t+1} = \mathbf{w}_t + y_t \mathbf{x}_t$
 - else
 - $\mathbf{w}_{t+1} = \mathbf{w}_t$

Perceptron: mistake bound

- Theorem: given a sequence $\{(\mathbf{x}_t, y_t)\}_{t=1}^l \in \mathcal{H} \times \{-1, 1\}$, and M as the set of trials in which the perceptron predicted incorrectly, then

$$|M| \leq \|\mathbf{w}\|^2 \max_{t \in M} \|\mathbf{x}_t\|^2$$

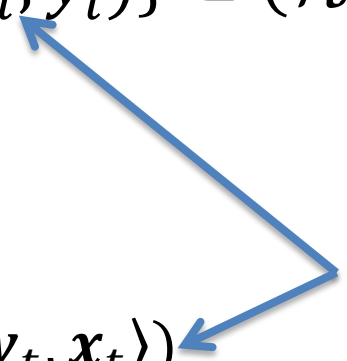
for all $\mathbf{w} \in \{-1, 1\}^n$ st. $w_t = y_t, t = 1, \dots, l$
norm is taken w.r.t. the inner product of \mathcal{H}

Perceptron: how to use

- For us, what is the inner product? what is \mathbf{x}_t ?
- We would want a \mathbf{x}_t that captures the structure of the whole graph.

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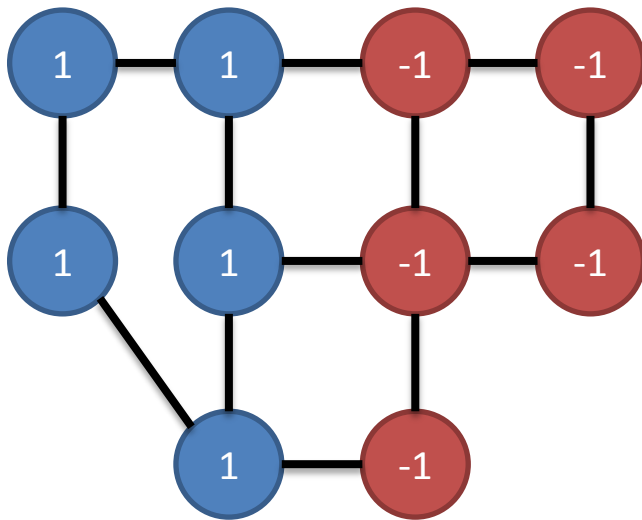
Properties of Graphs

- Graph Laplacian $L = D - A$, where A is adjacency matrix and $D = \text{diag}(d_1, \dots, d_n)$
- Inner product: $\langle \mathbf{f}, \mathbf{g} \rangle = \mathbf{f}^T L \mathbf{g}, \forall \mathbf{f}, \mathbf{g} \in \mathbb{R}^n$
- Semi-norm:

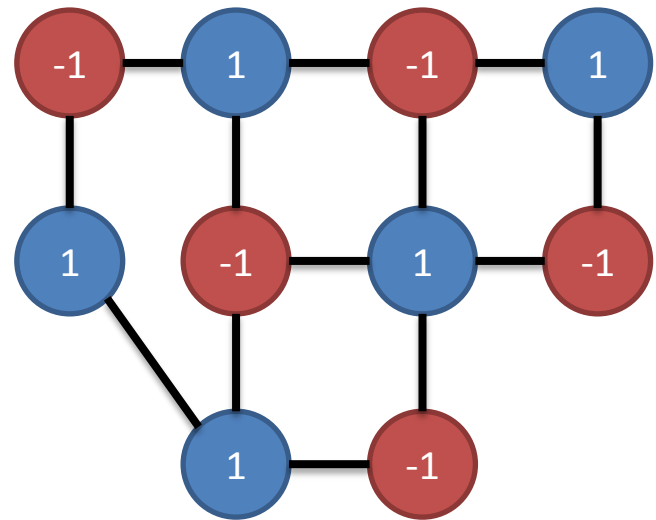
$$\|\mathbf{f}\|^2 = \langle \mathbf{f}, \mathbf{f} \rangle = \sum_{(i,j) \in E} (f_i - f_j)^2$$

Properties of Graphs

Norm measures “smoothness” or “complexity” of a labelling g :

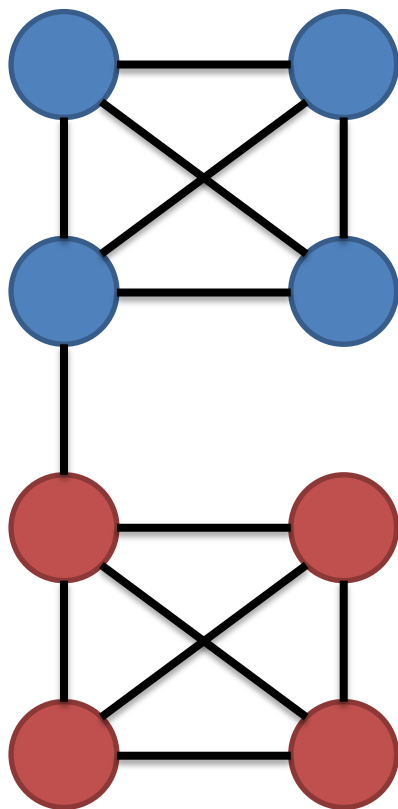


$$\|g\|^2 = 3 \times 4$$

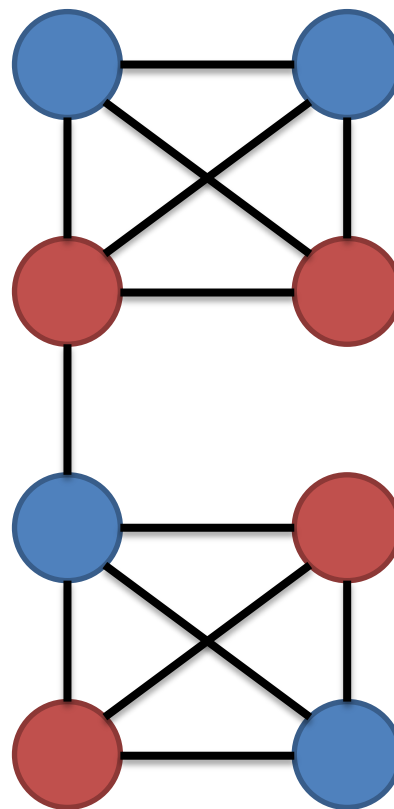


$$\|g\|^2 = 12 \times 4$$

Properties of Graphs



$$\|g\|^2 = 1 \times 4$$



$$\|g\|^2 = 9 \times 4$$

Properties of Graphs

- Eigenvalue λ_i and eigenvector \mathbf{u}_i of L :
 - Connected $\rightarrow 0 = \lambda_1 < \lambda_2 \leq \lambda_3 \leq \dots \leq \lambda_n$ with \mathbf{u}_1 as constant vector
- $\mathcal{H} = \text{span}\{\mathbf{u}_2, \dots, \mathbf{u}_n\} = \{\mathbf{g}: \mathbf{g}^T \mathbf{u}_1 = 0\}$
- $= \{\mathbf{g}: \sum_{i=1}^n g_i = 0\}$
 - Semi-norm becomes norm

Properties of Graphs

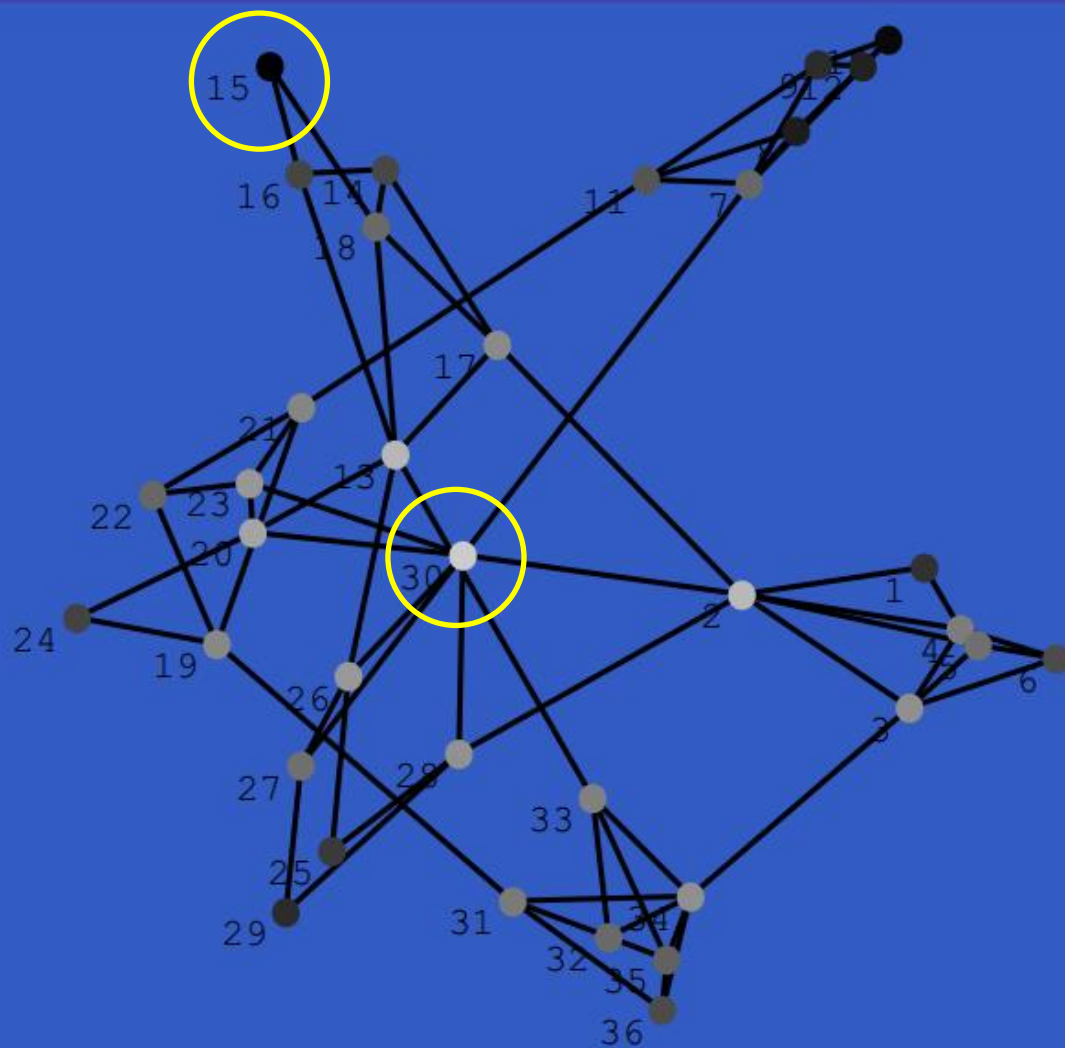
- Pseudoinverse

$$K = L^+ = \sum_{i=2}^n \lambda_i^{-1} \mathbf{u}_i \mathbf{u}_i^T$$

- It is the reproducing kernel of \mathcal{H} : $\forall \mathbf{g} \in \mathcal{H}, K_i = K(:, i)$

$$\langle K_i, \mathbf{g} \rangle = g_i$$

- $\|K_t\|^2 = K_{tt}$ measures the “remoteness” of vertex t and it decreases with connectivity



Grey-scaled K_{tt} : $K_{30,30} = .21$ (min), $K_{15,15} = .94$ (max)

- This will be our “feature” of a vertex, i.e.,

$$\mathbf{x}_t = K_t$$

Properties of Graphs

- For $p \in V$, define
 - Distance (of two vertices): $d(p, q) = \min |P(p, q)|$
where P is a path from p to q
 - Eccentricity (of a vertex): $\rho_p = \max_{q \in V} d(p, q)$
 - Diameter (of a graph): $D_G = \max_p \rho_p$

Bound

- $|M| \leq \|\mathbf{w}\|^2 \max_{t \in M} \|\mathbf{x}_t\|^2$
- We want to know what $\|\mathbf{w}\|^2$ and $\max_{t \in M} \|\mathbf{x}_t\|^2$ is with the properties of graph

Bound # of mistakes: $\|\mathbf{w}\|^2$

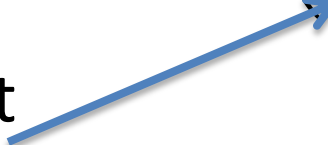
- Firstly we look at \mathbf{w} :
- $\mathbf{w} \in \{-1, +1\}^n$
- $\|\mathbf{w}\|^2 = \sum_{(i,j) \in E} (w_i - w_j)^2$
- “smoothness” or “complexity”
- $\|\mathbf{w}\|^2$
= $4 \times (\# \text{ edges spanning different labels})$

Bound # of mistakes: $\|\mathbf{x}_t\|^2$

- Then we look at $\mathbf{x}_t = K_t$:
- $\|K_t\|^2 = K_{tt}$. So we want to bound K_{tt}
- Theorem: For a connected graph G with Laplacian kernel K ,

$$K_{tt} \leq \min \left(\frac{1}{\lambda_2}, \rho_t \right), t \in V$$

2nd smallest
eigenvalue



eccentricity:

$$\rho_t = \max_{q \in V} \min |P(p, q)|$$


Bound # of mistakes : $\|x_t\|^2$

- Proof:
- $K_{tt} \leq \frac{1}{\lambda_2}$
 - $-g^T L g \geq \lambda_2 g^T g, \forall g \in \mathcal{H}$
 - Taking $g = K_t$, $K_{tt} \geq \lambda_2 \sum g_p^2 \geq \lambda_2 K_{tt}^2$
- $K_{tt} \leq \rho_t$
 - If $g_t > 0$, then $\exists s$, s.t. $g_s < 0$
 - \exists path P from t to s , s.t. $|E(P)| \leq \rho_t$

Bound # of mistakes : $\|\mathbf{x}_t\|^2$

- $\sum_{(i,j) \in E(P)} |g_i - g_j| \geq g_t - g_s > g_t$
- By $n \sum_{i=1}^n a_i^2 \geq (\sum_{i=1}^n a_i)^2$ for non-negative $\{a_i\}$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{(i,j) \in E(P)} (g_i - g_j)^2 &\geq \frac{\left(\sum_{(i,j) \in E(P)} |g_i - g_j|\right)^2}{|E(P)|} \\ &\geq \frac{\left(\sum_{(i,j) \in E(P)} |g_i - g_j|\right)^2}{\rho_t} \geq \frac{g_t^2}{\rho_t} \end{aligned}$$

Bound # of mistakes : $\|\mathbf{x}_t\|^2$

– Taking $g = K_t$, we have

$$\|K_t\|^2 = \sum_{(i,j) \in E(G)} (K_{ti} - K_{tj})^2 \text{ and } \|K_t\|^2 = \langle K_t, K_t \rangle = K_{tt}$$

$$- K_{tt} = \sum_{(i,j) \in E(G)} (K_{ti} - K_{tj})^2 \geq \frac{K_{tt}^2}{\rho_t}$$

$$\bullet K_{tt} \leq \frac{1}{\lambda_2} \text{ and } K_{tt} \leq \rho_t$$

Bound # of mistakes

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4(# edges spanning different labels)

$\times \min\left(\frac{1}{\lambda_2}, \rho_t\right)$

Further improvement

- Noisy samples:

$$|M| \leq 2|M \cap M_w| + \frac{\|w\|^2 X^2}{2} + \sqrt{2|M \cap M_w| \|w\|^2 X^2 + \frac{\|w\|^4 X^4}{4}}$$

- Bound K_{pp} using resistance

$$K_{pp} \leq \max_{(p,q) \in V} r(p, q)$$