

Problem 1:

$$G = (V, E) \rightarrow A_{ij} = 1 \text{ if } (i, j) \in E \quad L = D - A$$

$$ncut(S) = \frac{cut(S)}{vol(S)} + \frac{cut(\bar{S})}{vol(\bar{S})} \quad x_i = \begin{cases} \frac{\sqrt{vol(\bar{S})}}{\sqrt{vol(S)}}, & i \in S \\ -\frac{\sqrt{vol(S)}}{\sqrt{vol(\bar{S})}}, & i \in \bar{S} \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{aligned} 1. L &= \sum_{(i,j) \in E} (\vec{1}_i - \vec{1}_j)(\vec{1}_i - \vec{1}_j)^T \\ &= \sum_{(i,j) \in E} \vec{1}_i \vec{1}_i^T - \vec{1}_j \vec{1}_i^T - \vec{1}_i \vec{1}_j^T + \vec{1}_j \vec{1}_j^T \\ &= \sum_{(i,j) \in E} \vec{1}_i \vec{1}_i^T + \vec{1}_j \vec{1}_j^T - \sum_{(i,j) \in E} \vec{1}_i \vec{1}_j^T + \vec{1}_j \vec{1}_i^T = D - A = L \end{aligned}$$

$$\vec{1}_i \vec{1}_i^T = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ \vdots \\ 1 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{i} [0 \dots 1 \dots 0] = 1 \quad D_{ii} = \sum_j A_{ij} = d_i$$

$$2. \vec{n}^T L \vec{n} = \sum_{(i,j) \in E} (n_i - n_j)^2$$

$$\vec{n}^T L \vec{n} = \vec{n}^T (D - A) \vec{n} = \vec{n}^T D \vec{n} - \vec{n}^T A \vec{n} = [n_1 \dots n_n] \begin{bmatrix} d_1 & 0 \\ & \ddots \\ 0 & d_n \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} n_1 \\ \vdots \\ n_n \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= [n_1 \dots n_n] \begin{bmatrix} A_{11} & \dots & A_{1n} \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ A_{n1} & \dots & A_{nn} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} n_1 \\ \vdots \\ n_n \end{bmatrix} = \sum_i n_i^2 d_i - \sum_{i,j} n_i n_j A_{ij}$$

$$= \sum_i \sum_j n_i^2 A_{ij} - \sum_i \sum_j n_i n_j A_{ij} \quad (1)$$

$$\sum_{(i,j) \in E} (n_i - n_j)^2 = \frac{1}{2} \sum_i \sum_j A_{ij} (n_i - n_j)^2 = \frac{1}{2} \sum_i \sum_j A_{ij} n_i^2 + \frac{1}{2} \sum_i \sum_j A_{ij} n_j^2$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \sum_i \sum_j 2 A_{ij} n_i n_j = \sum_i \left( \sum_j A_{ij} \right) n_i^2 - \sum_i \sum_j n_i n_j A_{ij} = \sum_i n_i^2 d_i - \sum_i \sum_j n_i n_j A_{ij} \quad (2)$$

$$(1) = (2) \quad \square$$

$$3. \mathbf{n}^T \mathbf{L} \mathbf{n} = c \cdot \text{ncut}(S)$$

$$\mathbf{n}^T \mathbf{L} \mathbf{n} = \frac{1}{2} \sum_i \sum_j A_{ij} (n_i - n_j)^2 \rightarrow \text{from (2)}$$

$$= \sum_{\substack{i \in S \\ j \in \bar{S}}} A_{ij} (n_i - n_j)^2 \rightarrow \text{because we count } n_i \text{ and } n_j \text{ only once in this case}$$

$$= \sum_{\substack{i \in S \\ j \in \bar{S}}} A_{ij} \left( \sqrt{\frac{\text{Vol}(\bar{S})}{\text{Vol}(S)}} + \sqrt{\frac{\text{Vol}(S)}{\text{Vol}(\bar{S})}} \right)^2 = \sum_{\substack{i \in S \\ j \in \bar{S}}} A_{ij} \left( \frac{\text{Vol}(\bar{S})}{\text{Vol}(S)} + \frac{\text{Vol}(S)}{\text{Vol}(\bar{S})} + 2 \right)$$

$$= \sum_{\substack{i \in S \\ j \in \bar{S}}} A_{ij} \left( \frac{\text{Vol}^2(\bar{S}) + \text{Vol}^2(S) + 2\text{Vol}(S)\text{Vol}(\bar{S})}{\text{Vol}(S)\text{Vol}(\bar{S})} \right) = \sum_{\substack{i \in S \\ j \in \bar{S}}} A_{ij} \frac{(\text{Vol}(\bar{S}) + \text{Vol}(S))^2}{\text{Vol}(S)\text{Vol}(\bar{S})}$$

$$= \underbrace{(\text{Vol}(\bar{S}) + \text{Vol}(S))}_c \underbrace{\left( \sum_{\substack{i \in S \\ j \in \bar{S}}} A_{ij} \left( \frac{1}{\text{Vol}(S)} + \frac{1}{\text{Vol}(\bar{S})} \right) \right)}_{\text{ncut}(S)} = c \cdot \text{ncut}(S)$$

$$4. \mathbf{n}^T \mathbf{D} \mathbf{1} \stackrel{?}{=} 0$$

$$\mathbf{n}^T \mathbf{D} \mathbf{1} = [n_1, \dots, n_n] \begin{bmatrix} d_1 & & 0 \\ & \ddots & \\ 0 & & d_n \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ \vdots \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = n_1 d_1 + \dots + n_n d_n$$

$$= \sum_{i \in S} n_i d_i + \sum_{i \in \bar{S}} n_i d_i$$

$$= \sum_{i \in S} \sqrt{\frac{\text{Vol}(\bar{S})}{\text{Vol}(S)}} d_i + \sum_{i \in \bar{S}} \sqrt{\frac{\text{Vol}(S)}{\text{Vol}(\bar{S})}} d_i = \sqrt{\frac{\text{Vol}(\bar{S})}{\text{Vol}(S)}} \left( \sum_{i \in S} d_i \right) - \sqrt{\frac{\text{Vol}(S)}{\text{Vol}(\bar{S})}} \left( \sum_{i \in \bar{S}} d_i \right)$$

$$= \sqrt{\text{Vol}(\bar{S})} \sqrt{\text{Vol}(S)} - \sqrt{\text{Vol}(S)} \sqrt{\text{Vol}(\bar{S})} = 0 \quad \square$$



$$5. \mathbf{n}^T \mathbf{D} \mathbf{n} = 2m$$

$$\mathbf{n}^T \mathbf{D} \mathbf{n} = \sum_i n_i^2 d_i = \frac{\text{Vol}(\bar{S})}{\text{Vol}(S)} \sum_{i \in S} d_i + \frac{\text{Vol}(S)}{\text{Vol}(\bar{S})} \sum_{i \in \bar{S}} d_i$$

$$= \frac{\text{Vol}(\bar{S})}{\text{Vol}(S)} \text{Vol}(S) + \frac{\text{Vol}(S)}{\text{Vol}(\bar{S})} \text{Vol}(\bar{S}) = \text{Vol}(\bar{S}) + \text{Vol}(S) = \sum_{i \in S} d_i + \sum_{i \in \bar{S}} d_i = \sum_i d_i = 2m$$

Problem 2:

$$\min_{\mathbf{n} \in \mathbb{R}^n} \frac{\mathbf{n}^T \mathbf{L} \mathbf{n}}{\mathbf{n}^T \mathbf{D} \mathbf{n}}$$

$$\mathbf{z} = \mathbf{D}^{\frac{1}{2}} \mathbf{n} \Rightarrow \mathbf{n} = \mathbf{D}^{-\frac{1}{2}} \mathbf{z}$$

$$\text{s.t. } \mathbf{n}^T \mathbf{D} \mathbf{1} = 0$$

$$\mathbf{n}^T \mathbf{D} \mathbf{n} = 2m$$

$$\frac{\mathbf{n}^T \mathbf{L} \mathbf{n}}{\mathbf{n}^T \mathbf{D} \mathbf{n}} = \frac{\mathbf{D}^{-\frac{1}{2}} \mathbf{z}^T \mathbf{L} \mathbf{D}^{-\frac{1}{2}} \mathbf{z}}{\mathbf{z}^T \mathbf{D}^{-\frac{1}{2}} \mathbf{D} \mathbf{D}^{-\frac{1}{2}} \mathbf{z}} = \frac{\mathbf{z}^T \mathbf{D}^{-\frac{1}{2}} \mathbf{L} \mathbf{D}^{-\frac{1}{2}} \mathbf{z}}{\mathbf{z}^T \mathbf{z}} = J(\mathbf{z})$$

$$\text{Lagrangian} \Rightarrow \frac{\mathbf{z}^T \mathbf{D}^{-\frac{1}{2}} \mathbf{L} \mathbf{D}^{-\frac{1}{2}} \mathbf{z}}{\mathbf{z}^T \mathbf{z}} + \lambda_1 (\mathbf{n}^T \mathbf{D} \mathbf{1}) + \lambda_2 (\mathbf{n}^T \mathbf{D} \mathbf{n} - 2m) = L(\mathbf{z})$$

$$L(\mathbf{z}) = \frac{\mathbf{z}^T \mathbf{D}^{-\frac{1}{2}} \mathbf{L} \mathbf{D}^{-\frac{1}{2}} \mathbf{z}}{\mathbf{z}^T \mathbf{z}} + \lambda_1 (\mathbf{z}^T \mathbf{D}^{-\frac{1}{2}} \mathbf{D} \mathbf{1}) + \lambda_2 (\mathbf{z}^T \mathbf{z} - 2m)$$

$$\frac{\partial L(\mathbf{z})}{\partial \mathbf{z}} = \frac{\mathbf{z}^T \mathbf{D}^{-\frac{1}{2}} \mathbf{L} \mathbf{D}^{-\frac{1}{2}} \mathbf{z}}{\mathbf{z}^T \mathbf{z}} + \lambda_1 \mathbf{D}^{-\frac{1}{2}} \mathbf{1} + \lambda_2 (2\mathbf{z}) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \underbrace{\tilde{\mathbf{L}}(\mathbf{D}^{-\frac{1}{2}} \mathbf{L} \mathbf{D}^{-\frac{1}{2}} \mathbf{z})}_m + \underbrace{\lambda_1 \tilde{\mathbf{L}} \mathbf{D}^{-\frac{1}{2}} \mathbf{1}}_0 + 2\lambda_2 \tilde{\mathbf{L}} \mathbf{z} = 0$$

0 because  $\tilde{\mathbf{L}}$  is symmetric

$$\Rightarrow \tilde{\mathbf{L}}^{-1} \tilde{\mathbf{L}} (\mathbf{D}^{-\frac{1}{2}} \mathbf{L} \mathbf{D}^{-\frac{1}{2}} \mathbf{z}) + 2m\lambda_2 \tilde{\mathbf{L}}^{-1} \tilde{\mathbf{L}} \mathbf{z} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \mathbf{D}^{-\frac{1}{2}} \mathbf{L} \mathbf{D}^{-\frac{1}{2}} \mathbf{z} + 2m\lambda_2 \mathbf{z} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \underbrace{\mathbf{D}^{-\frac{1}{2}} \mathbf{L} \mathbf{D}^{-\frac{1}{2}} \mathbf{z}}_{\tilde{\mathbf{L}}} = \underbrace{-2m\lambda_2}_{\text{eigenvalue}} \mathbf{z} \Rightarrow \mathbf{n} = \mathbf{D}^{-\frac{1}{2}} \mathbf{z} \text{ is our answer}$$