

1 Question 1

Let $G = (V, E)$ an undirected graph without self-loops with $|V| = n$ et $|E| = m$. The maximum number of edges and triangles is reached when the graph is complete (every node is connected).

The maximum number of edges that G can contain is $\frac{n(n-1)}{2}$. This formula is derived from the fact that every node is connected to $(n-1)$ other nodes (excluding itself), and divide by 2 to account for the fact that each edge is counted twice and the graph is undirected.

The maximum number of triangles that G can contain is $\binom{n}{3} = \frac{n(n-1)(n-2)}{6}$. This corresponds to the number of ways to take 3 nodes from a graph with n nodes, since all nodes are connected to each other.

2 Question 2

Two graphs with the same degree distribution are not necessarily isomorphic. In fact, here is a counter-example. The graphs G_1 and G_2 have the same degree distribution. Let denote the degree distribution $P_G(k)$ the fraction of nodes with degree k in the graph G :

$$P_G(k) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{2} & \text{if } k=1 \\ \frac{1}{3} & \text{if } k=2 \\ \frac{1}{6} & \text{if } k=3 \end{cases} \text{ for } G \in \{G_1, G_2\} \quad (1)$$

However, these graphs are clearly not isomorphic.

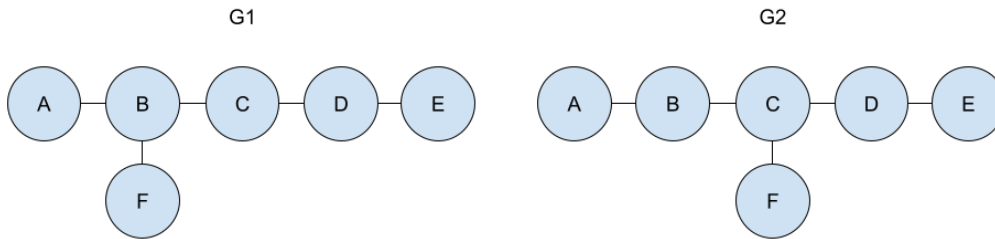


Figure 1: Two graphs with same degree distribution but non-isomorph

3 Question 3

Let C_k a cycle of length $k \in \{3, 4, 5, \dots\}$.

The global clustering coefficient is defined as the number of closed triplets divided by the total number of both triplets (open and closed). We note it $coef_{gc}$

$$coef_{gc}(G) = \frac{\text{number of closed triplets}}{\text{number of closed triplets} + \text{number of open triplets}}$$

If $k = 3$: there is only one closed triplet and zero open triplet. So, $coef_{gc}(C_k) = 1$

If $k > 3$: the graph no longer contains a closed triplet, as it is impossible to extract a triangle. So the number of closed triplets is zero. On the other hand, the number of open triplets is strictly positive (just take 3 consecutives nodes). Hence, $coef_{gc}(C_k) = 0$.

4 Question 4

Let $u_1 \in \mathbb{R}^n$ be the egeinvector associated with the smallest eigenvalue of L_{rw} . Let $[u_1]_i$ be the i^{th} element of u_1 and A the adjacency matrix. The follwing quantity

$$\sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n A_{ij} ([u_1]_i - [u_1]_j)^2 = 0 \quad (2)$$

Let's prove that result:

The random walk Laplacian is defined by $L_{rw} = I - D^{-1}A$ with D the degree matrix. We will show that the eigenvalues of this matrix are positive and that $u_1 = a\mathbb{1}$ with $a \in \mathbb{R}$ is an eigenvector associated with the smallest eigenvalue.

To show this result, we will show that the Laplacian $L_{sym} = I - D^{-\frac{1}{2}}AD^{-\frac{1}{2}}$ is symmetric positive semi-definite (in particular its eigenvalues are positive or zero) and that L_{rw} has the same eigenvalues as L_{sym} ¹.

L_{sym} is symmetric because I and $D^{-\frac{1}{2}}AD^{-\frac{1}{2}}$ are symmetric (A symmetric). Let's show that L_{sym} is semi-positive, so $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$.

$$\begin{aligned} x^T(I - D^{-1/2}AD^{-1/2})x &= x^Tx - x^TD^{-1/2}AD^{-1/2}x \\ &= x^Tx - z^TAz \text{ with } z = \left[\frac{x_1}{\sqrt{d_1}}, \dots, \frac{x_n}{\sqrt{d_n}} \right]^T \\ &= x^Tx - \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n A_{ij} z_i z_j = \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2 - \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n A_{i,j} \frac{x_i x_j}{\sqrt{d_i} \sqrt{d_j}} \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \left(2 \times \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2 - 2 \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n A_{i,j} \frac{x_i x_j}{\sqrt{d_i} \sqrt{d_j}} \right) = \frac{1}{2} \left(\sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2 - 2 \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n A_{i,j} \frac{x_i x_j}{\sqrt{d_i} \sqrt{d_j}} + \sum_{j=1}^n x_j^2 \right) \end{aligned}$$

But we have $\sum_{j=1}^n A_{i,j} = d_i$ so $\sum_{j=1}^n \frac{A_{i,j}}{d_i} = 1$

$$\begin{aligned} x^T(I - D^{-1/2}AD^{-1/2})x &= \frac{1}{2} \left(\sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n x_i^2 A_{i,j} \frac{1}{d_i} - 2 \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n A_{i,j} \frac{x_i x_j}{\sqrt{d_i} \sqrt{d_j}} + \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n x_j^2 A_{i,j} \frac{1}{d_j} \right) \text{ because } A_{ji} = A_{ij} \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \left(\sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n A_{i,j} \left(x_i^2 \frac{1}{d_i} - 2 \frac{x_i x_j}{\sqrt{d_i} \sqrt{d_j}} + x_j^2 \frac{1}{d_j} \right) \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n A_{i,j} \left(\frac{x_i}{\sqrt{d_i}} - \frac{x_j}{\sqrt{d_j}} \right)^2 \geq 0 \end{aligned}$$

Hence, $L_{sym} \geq 0$ so $0 \leq \lambda_1 \leq \lambda_2 \leq \dots \leq \lambda_n$ its eigenvalues and u_1, \dots, u_n the associated eigenvectors.

Let's show that L_{rw} has the same eigenvalues as L_{sym} . Let u_k be an eigenvector of L_{sym} .

$$\begin{aligned} L_{sym}u_k &= \lambda_k u_k \\ u_k - D^{-\frac{1}{2}}AD^{-\frac{1}{2}}u_k &= \lambda_k u_k \\ D^{-\frac{1}{2}}u_k - D^{-1}AD^{-\frac{1}{2}}u_k &= \lambda_k D^{-\frac{1}{2}}u_k \\ (I_n - D^{-1}A)D^{-\frac{1}{2}}u_k &= \lambda_k D^{-\frac{1}{2}}u_k \\ (l_{rw})D^{-\frac{1}{2}}u_k &= \lambda_k D^{-\frac{1}{2}}u_k \end{aligned}$$

So λ_k is an eigenvalue of L_{rw} associated with the vector $D^{-\frac{1}{2}}u_k$. Hence the eigenvalues of L_{rw} and L_{sym} are the same. In particular, they are positive.

But $L_{rw}\mathbb{1} = \mathbb{1} - D^{-1}A\mathbb{1}$ and $(A\mathbb{1})_i = \sum_{j=1}^n A_{ij}$ then $(D^{-1}A\mathbb{1})_i = \frac{1}{d_i} \times \sum_{j=1}^n A_{ij} = 1$ (as shown earlier), so 0 is an eigenvalue of L_{rw} . The eigenvalues of L_{rw} are positive, therefore $\lambda_1 = 0$ is the smallest eigenvalue

¹We use L_{sym} because L_{rw} is generally not symmetric.

associated with the vector $u_1 = a\mathbb{1}$ with $a \in \mathbb{R}$.

In conclusion, $\sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n A_{ij} ([u_1]_i - [u_1]_j)^2 = \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n A_{ij} (a - a)^2 = 0$.

5 Question 5

Modularity M is defined by:

$$M = \sum_{c=1}^{n_c} \left[\frac{l_c}{m} - \left(\frac{d_c}{2m} \right)^2 \right] \quad (3)$$

Modularity provides an evaluation measure for assessing the quality of clustering. At first glance, if I had to choose one of the two partitions, I would go for the first, as we can identify two cliques of 4 nodes. So, we would like to group these nodes in the same clusters. Thus, we expect a higher modularity score for graph 1 than graph 2.

Both graphs have two clusters: blue nodes and yellow nodes.

5.1 Graph 1

The graph 1 has $m = 14$ edges :

	Cluster 1	Cluster 2
l_c	6	6
d_c	14	14

$$\text{So, } M = \frac{l_1}{m} - \left(\frac{d_1}{2m} \right)^2 + \frac{l_2}{m} - \left(\frac{d_2}{2m} \right)^2 = \left(\frac{6}{14} - \left(\frac{14}{2 \times 14} \right)^2 \right) \times 2 = \frac{5}{14} \simeq 0.357$$

5.2 Graph 2

Graph 2 also has $m = 14$ edges.

	Cluster 1	Cluster 2
l_c	5	2
d_c	17	11

$$\text{So, } M = \frac{l_1}{m} - \left(\frac{d_1}{2m} \right)^2 + \frac{l_2}{m} - \left(\frac{d_2}{2m} \right)^2 = \left(\frac{5}{14} - \left(\frac{17}{2 \times 14} \right)^2 \right) + \left(\frac{2}{14} - \left(\frac{11}{2 \times 14} \right)^2 \right) = -\frac{9}{392} \simeq -0.023$$

Hence, $M(G_1) > M(G_2)$. The results are in line with our expectations.

6 Question 6

Let ϕ be the function that associates with a graph the vector that counts the number of shortest paths of length k in the graph.

We have $\phi(P_4) = [3, 2, 1]$ and $\phi(S_4) = [3, 3, 0]$. Let k_{sp} be the shortest path kernel defined by

$$k_{sp}(G, G') = \phi(G)^T \phi(G') \quad (4)$$

The result is:

$$k_{sp}(P_4, P_4) = 9 + 4 + 1 = 14$$

$$k_{sp}(S_4, S_4) = 9 + 9 = 18$$

$$k_{sp}(P_4, S_4) = 9 + 6 = 15$$

7 Question 7

Let k denote the graphlet kernel that decomposes graphs into graphlets of size 3 and G, G' two graphs. The fact that $k(G, G') = f_G^T f_{G'} = 0$ means that there is no subgraph of 3 nodes in G and subgraph of 3 nodes in G' that are both isomorphic to a same graphlet.

Consider the set of graphlets of size 3: G_1, G_2, G_3, G_4 (figure 4 of the poly.). In graph G , we can only extract sub-graphs with 3 nodes which are isomorphic to G_1 . For the graph G' , we can only extract subgraphs with 3 nodes that are isomorphic to G_2 . The result is:

$$\begin{cases} f_G = [4, 0, 0, 0] \\ f_{G'} = [0, 4, 0, 0] \end{cases} \Rightarrow f_G^T f_{G'} = 0 \quad (5)$$

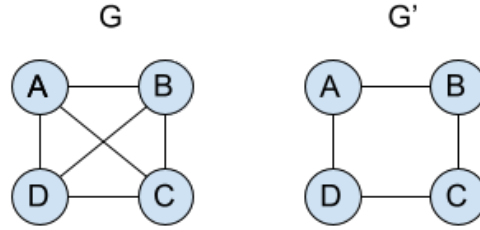


Figure 2: Two graphs with $k(G, G')=0$