

Machine Learning on Graphs

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Spectral Embedding

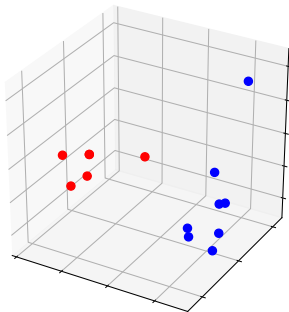
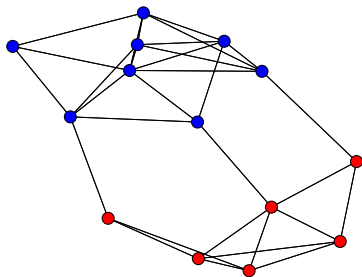
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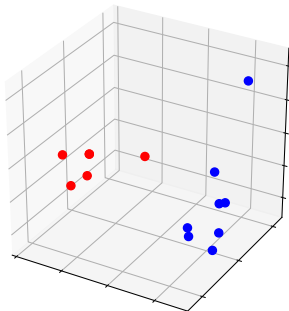
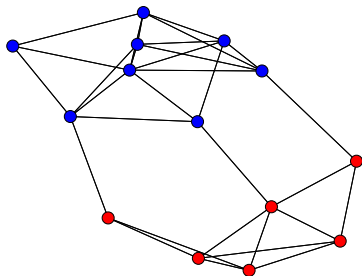
Motivation

- ▶ Representation of a graph in a vector space
- ▶ Dimensionality reduction



An optimization problem

$$\min_{X: X^T \mathbf{1} = 0, X^T X = I} \sum_{i,j \in V} A_{ij} \|X_i - X_j\|^2$$



Laplacian matrix

Definition

The **Laplacian** matrix is defined by

$$L = D - A$$

A **symmetric, positive semi-definite** matrix

Lemma

$$\text{tr}(X^T L X) = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i,j \in V} A_{ij} \|X_i - X_j\|^2$$

Spectral decomposition

Theorem

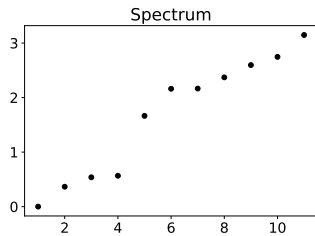
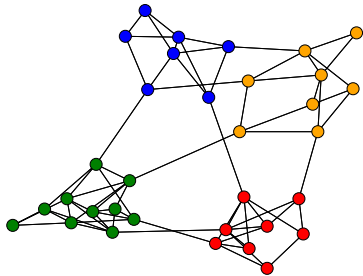
By the spectral theorem,

$$LV = V\Lambda$$

where

- ▶ $V^T V = I$
- ▶ $\Lambda = \text{diag}(\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n)$ with $\lambda_1 = 0 \leq \lambda_2 \leq \dots \leq \lambda_n$

Example



First eigenvector

Proposition

$$L1 = 0$$

In particular,

- ▶ $V_1 \propto 1$
- ▶ $V_2^T 1 = \dots = V_n^T 1 = 0$

Spectral embedding

Definition

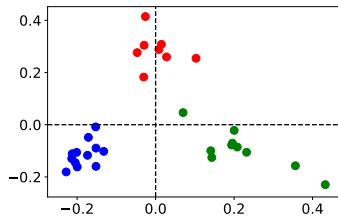
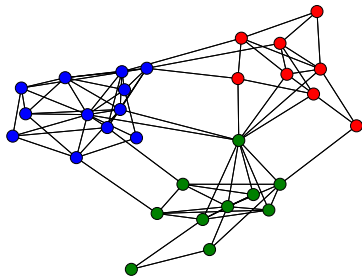
Spectral embedding X in dimension K given by the first K eigenvectors of the Laplacian (except the first)

Theorem

The spectral embedding is optimal:

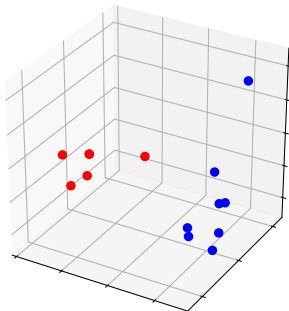
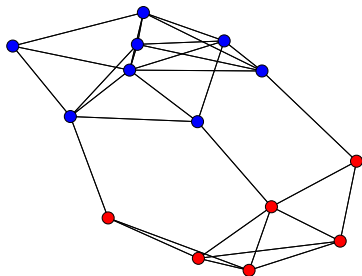
$$X = \arg \min_{X: X^T \mathbf{1} = 0, X^T X = I_K} \text{tr}(X^T L X)$$

Example



Back to the optimization problem

$$\min_{X: X^T d=0, X^T D X=I} \sum_{i,j \in V} A_{ij} \|X_i - X_j\|^2$$



Generalized eigenvalue problem

Theorem

We have:

$$LV = DV\Lambda$$

where

- ▶ $V^T DV = I$
- ▶ $\Lambda = \text{diag}(\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n)$ with $\lambda_1 = 0 \leq \lambda_2 \leq \dots \leq \lambda_n$

Random walk

Definition

The **transition matrix** of the random walk is defined by:

$$P = D^{-1}A$$

This is a **stochastic** matrix

Proposition

$$PV = V(I - \Lambda)$$

where

- ▶ $V^T D V = I$
- ▶ $\Lambda = \text{diag}(\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n)$ with $\lambda_1 = 0 \leq \lambda_2 \leq \dots \leq \lambda_n$

Spectral embedding (random walk)

Definition

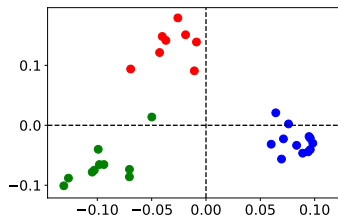
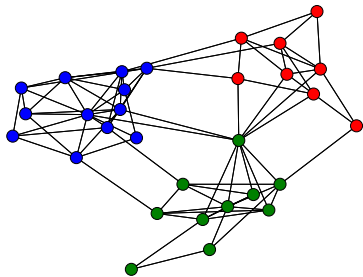
Spectral embedding X in dimension K given by the K leading eigenvectors of the **transition matrix** (except the first)

Theorem

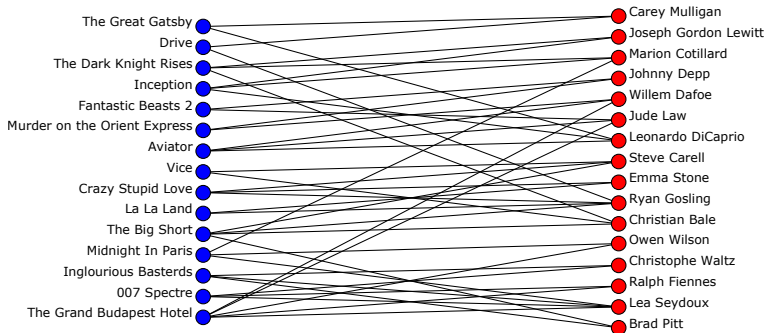
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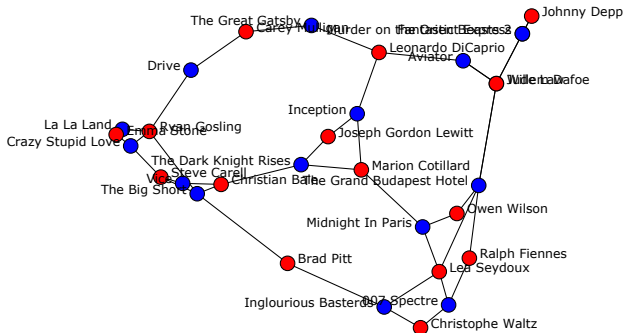
Example



Extension to bipartite graphs



Co-embedding



Directed graphs as bipartite graphs

