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PSet #3

① Disconnected \Rightarrow Reducible: For a disconnected graph $G=(V,E)$ with adjacency matrix W , WLOG G has 2 connected components $A, B \subseteq V(G)$ with $|A|=m$ & $|B|=n$.

Thus, $\forall a \in A$ & $\forall b \in B, \{a,b\} \notin E(G) \Rightarrow w_{ij} = \begin{cases} 0, & 1 \leq i \leq m \\ & 1 \leq j \leq m \\ 0, & m+1 \leq i \leq m+n \\ & m+1 \leq j \leq m+n \\ 0 \text{ or } 1, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$

$\Rightarrow W = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & B \\ A & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ So W is block upper triangular, Therefore W is reducible. ■

Disconnected \Leftarrow Reducible: For a graph with reducible adjacency matrix W , by definition of reducible, $\exists P$ s.t. $PWP^T = T$, where T is block upper triangular.

$T = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & B' \\ A' & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ So no $a \in A'$ is adjacent to any $b \in B'$.
 \Rightarrow no edge with an endpoint in both A' & B' .

Therefore the relabeled graph corresponding to adjacency matrix T is disconnected, with connected components A' & B' .
 As P is a permutation matrix, the relabeled graph defined by T is isomorphic to the original graph defined by W . ■

Q1A $W = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & A \\ A^T & 0 \end{bmatrix}$, $\sum_i \lambda_i = \text{Tr}(W) = 0$

\Rightarrow either $\lambda_i = 0, \forall i$ OR $\exists \lambda_i > 0 \wedge \lambda_j < 0$, for at least one i & j
 Since all elements of W are non-negative, by Perron-Frobenius Theorem
 $\exists \lambda_i > 0$ for some $i \therefore \exists \lambda_j < 0$ for some j . ■

B $W = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & B \\ A & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ for a bipartite graph

Take $\lambda_i > 0$ & $v_i = \begin{bmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \end{bmatrix}$ to be its corresponding eigenvector s.t.

$$W v_i = \begin{bmatrix} B v_2 \\ A v_1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_i v_1 \\ \lambda_i v_2 \end{bmatrix} = \lambda_i v_i$$

Now consider, $v_j = \begin{bmatrix} -v_1 \\ v_2 \end{bmatrix}$

$$W v_j = \begin{bmatrix} B v_2 \\ -A v_1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_i v_1 \\ -\lambda_i v_2 \end{bmatrix} = -\lambda_i \begin{bmatrix} -v_1 \\ v_2 \end{bmatrix} = -\lambda_i v_j$$

So v_j is an eigenvector corresponding to eigenvalue $-\lambda_i$ ■

③ Let $L=D-W$ be the graph Laplacian of a graph with a single connected component, and take x to be an eigenvector corresponding to eigenvalue 0. Thus we have:

$$Lx = (D-W)x = 0x = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \sum_{j=1}^n \deg(i)x_i - W_{ij}x_j = \sum_{j=1}^n W_{ij}x_i - W_{ij}x_j = 0$$

$$= \sum_{j=1}^n W_{ij}(x_i - x_j) = 0$$

$$x^T L x = x^T (D-W)x = x^T 0 x$$

$$\Rightarrow \sum_{i=1}^n x_i \left(\sum_{j=1}^n W_{ij}(x_i - x_j) \right) = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n W_{ij} (2x_i^2 - 2x_i x_j) = 0$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n W_{ij} \underbrace{(x_i^2 - 2x_i x_j + x_j^2)}_{\geq 0} = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n \underbrace{W_{ij}}_{\geq 0} \underbrace{(x_i - x_j)^2}_{\geq 0} = 0$$

Follows by Symmetry of Multiplication

Fix an i . Then by connectivity we know,

$$\exists j \text{ s.t. } W_{ij} > 0 \Rightarrow x_i = x_j \quad \forall i \quad \therefore x \propto \vec{1}$$

So we have shown the geometric multiplicity of $\lambda_1=0$ to be 1. Furthermore, as L is symmetric PSD, it has a spectral decomposition. Therefore, its eigenbasis is full rank, with n linearly independent eigenvectors, which correspond to n unique eigenvalues. So we have shown the algebraic multiplicity of $\lambda_1=0$ is also 1, for a graph with a single connected component.

We proceed by induction on components.

By Induction Hypothesis, graph G_1 has $n-1$ connected components, and the multiplicity of $\lambda=0$ of its graph Laplacian is $n-1$. Now, take $G' = G_1 \cup G_2$ to be the disjoint union between G_1 , and a connected graph G_2 , so G' has n connected components. WLOG assume the vertices of G' are ordered according to the connected components they belong to; otherwise we may permute the vertex labels to obtain a graph isomorphic to G' whose adjacency matrix is block diagonal. This implies the graph Laplacian of G' is also block diagonal, and may be expressed as:

$$L[G'] = \begin{bmatrix} L[G_1] & 0 \\ 0 & L[G_2] \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Now consider a vector (above) with 1s along the dimension of $L[G_2]$ and 0s elsewhere. Embed the $n-1$ eigenvectors with $\lambda=0$ of $L[G_1]$ (by IH) using 0s analogously and observe they are orthogonal to the first vector, which is the unique eigenvector with $\lambda=0$ for a single connected component by the base case. Thus we have found n linearly independent eigenvectors corresponding to $\lambda=0$ for $L[G']$, so the geometric multiplicity is at least n .

Furthermore, the characteristic polynomial of $L[G']$ is given by the product of the characteristic polynomials of $L[G_1]$ & $L[G_2]$

$$\chi(L[G']) = \prod_{i=1}^2 \chi(L[G_i])$$

But we know the algebraic multiplicity of $\lambda=0$ for $L[G_1]$ is $n-1$ by IH, and the algebraic multiplicity of $\lambda=0$ for $L[G_2]$ is 1 by the base case, so the algebraic multiplicity of $\lambda=0$ for $L[G']$ is n . Additionally, the algebraic multiplicity upper bounds the geometric multiplicity, thus the geometric multiplicity of $\lambda=0$ for $L[G']$ is also n .

$$\textcircled{5} P\{X_{t+1} \in S^c | X_t \in S\} + P\{X_{t+1} \in S | X_t \in S^c\}$$

$$= \frac{\sum_{i \in S} \sum_{j \in S^c} \pi_i P_{ij}}{\frac{\text{Vol}(S)}{\text{Vol}(G)}} + \frac{\sum_{i \in S^c} \sum_{j \in S} \pi_i P_{ij}}{\frac{\text{Vol}(S^c)}{\text{Vol}(G)}}$$

$$= \frac{\sum_{i \in S} \sum_{j \in S^c} \left(\frac{\deg(i)}{\text{Vol}(G)} \right) \left(\frac{W_{ij}}{\deg(i)} \right)}{\frac{\text{Vol}(S)}{\text{Vol}(G)}} + \frac{\sum_{i \in S^c} \sum_{j \in S} \left(\frac{\deg(i)}{\text{Vol}(G)} \right) \left(\frac{W_{ij}}{\deg(i)} \right)}{\frac{\text{Vol}(S^c)}{\text{Vol}(G)}}$$

$$= \frac{\sum_{i \in S} \sum_{j \in S^c} W_{ij}}{\text{Vol}(S)} + \frac{\sum_{i \in S^c} \sum_{j \in S} W_{ij}}{\text{Vol}(S^c)}$$

$$= \frac{\text{Cut}(S)}{\text{Vol}(S)} + \frac{\text{Cut}(S^c)}{\text{Vol}(S^c)} = \text{Ncut}(S)$$

⑥ In ③ we showed $x^T L x = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n W_{ij} (x_i - x_j)^2$

$$y^T L y = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n W_{ij} (y_i - y_j)^2$$

If $\begin{cases} i, j \in S \\ i, j \in S^c \end{cases} \Rightarrow y_i = y_j = 0$, so WLOG $i \in S$ & $j \in S^c$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore &= \frac{1}{2} \left(\sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n W_{ij} \left(\left(\frac{\text{Vol}(S^c)}{\text{Vol}(S) \text{Vol}(G)} \right)^{1/2} + \left(\frac{\text{Vol}(S)}{\text{Vol}(S^c) \text{Vol}(G)} \right)^{1/2} \right)^2 \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{\text{Vol}(S^c)}{\text{Vol}(S) \text{Vol}(G)} + \frac{\text{Vol}(S)}{\text{Vol}(S^c) \text{Vol}(G)} + 2 \left(\frac{\text{Vol}(S^c)}{\text{Vol}(S) \text{Vol}(G)} \frac{\text{Vol}(S)}{\text{Vol}(S^c) \text{Vol}(G)} \right)^{1/2} \right) \left(\sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n W_{ij} \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{1}{\text{Vol}(S)} + \frac{1}{\text{Vol}(S^c)} \right) \left(\sum_{i \in S} \sum_{j \in S^c} W_{ij} + \sum_{i \in S^c} \sum_{j \in S} W_{ij} \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{1}{\text{Vol}(S)} + \frac{1}{\text{Vol}(S^c)} \right) (\text{Cut}(S) + \text{Cut}(S^c)) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{2 \text{Cut}(S)}{\text{Vol}(S)} + \frac{2 \text{Cut}(S^c)}{\text{Vol}(S^c)} \right) \\ &= \frac{\text{Cut}(S)}{\text{Vol}(S)} + \frac{\text{Cut}(S^c)}{\text{Vol}(S^c)} = N_{\text{cut}}(S) \end{aligned}$$