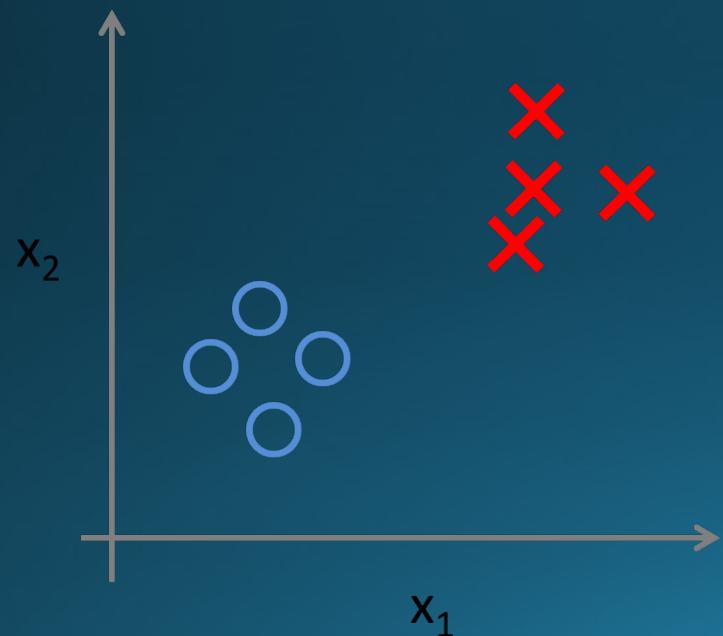


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# Semi-Supervised Learning

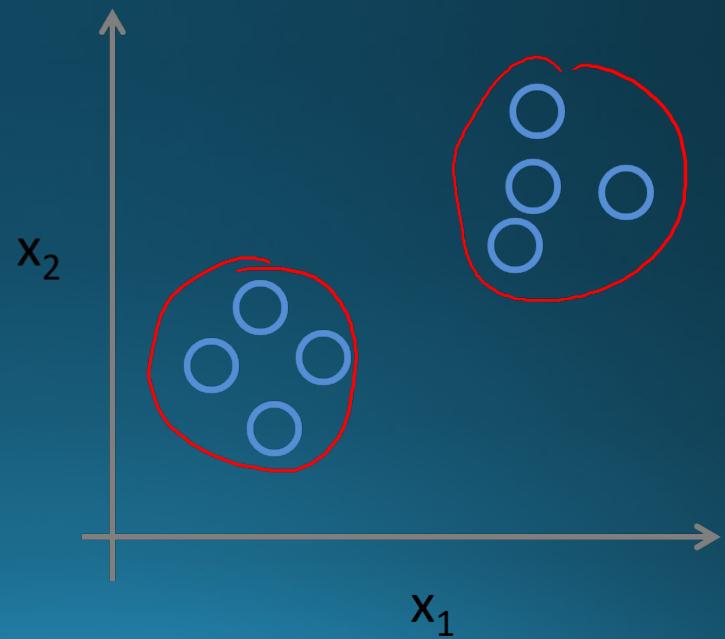
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Supervised Learning



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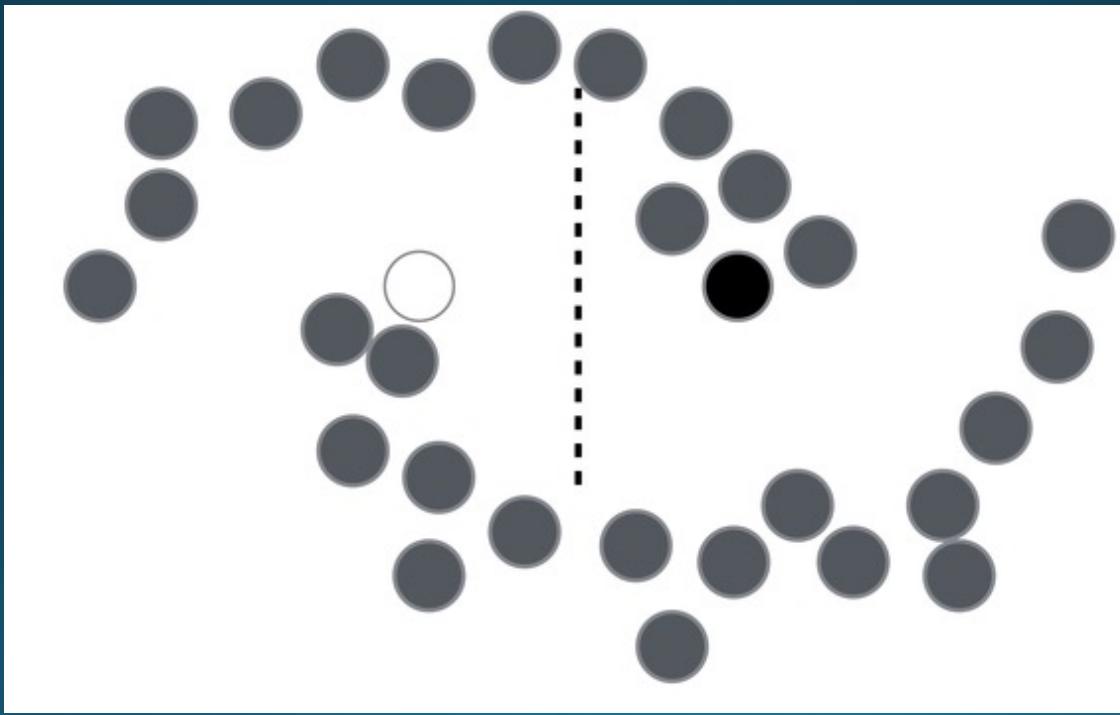
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# Semi-supervised learning

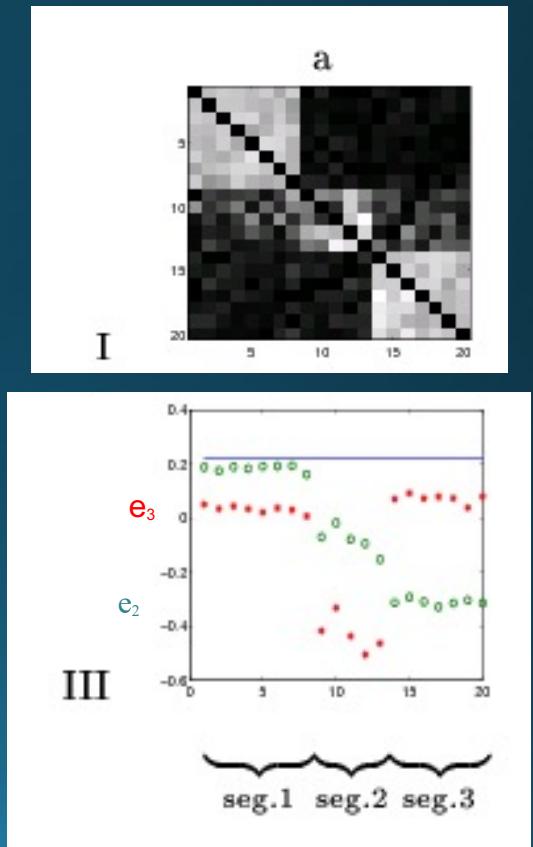
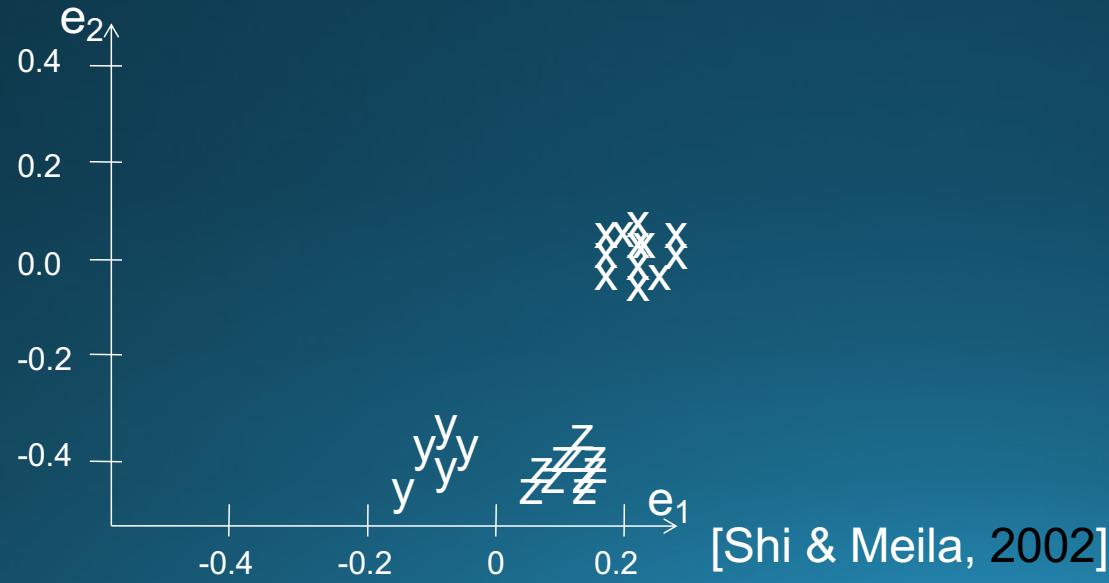
- Basically a hybrid!
- Given:
  - A pool of labeled examples  $L$
  - A (usually larger) pool of unlabeled examples  $U$
- **Can you improve accuracy somehow using  $U$ ?**

# Semi-supervised Learning



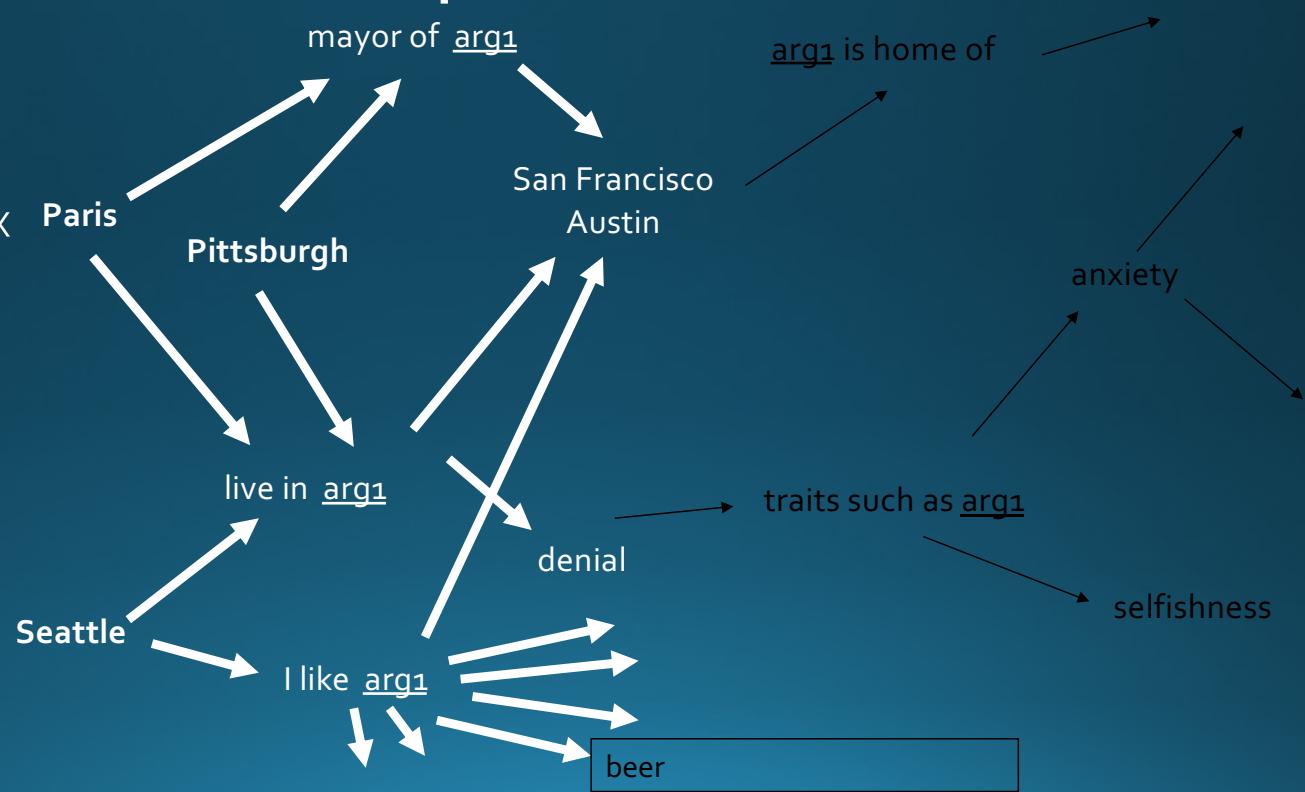
# Spectral Clustering

- Graph = Matrix
  - $W^*v_1 = v_2$  “propagates weights from neighbors”



# Semi-Supervised Learning as Label Propagation on a Graph

- Propagate label to “nearby” nodes
  - X is “near” Y if there is a high probability of reaching Y from X
- Propagation methods
  - Personalized PageRank
  - Random walk
- Rewards multiple paths
- Penalizes longer and “high fanout” paths



## Semi-Supervised Classification of Network Data Using Very Few Labels

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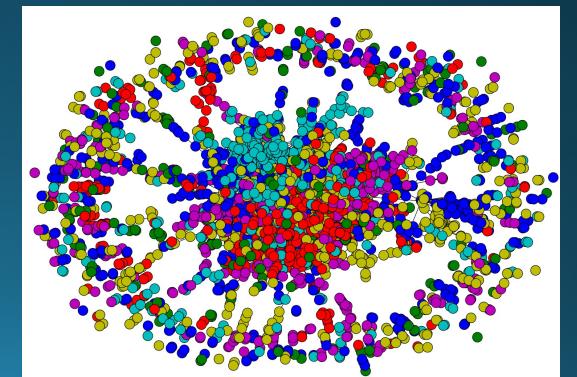
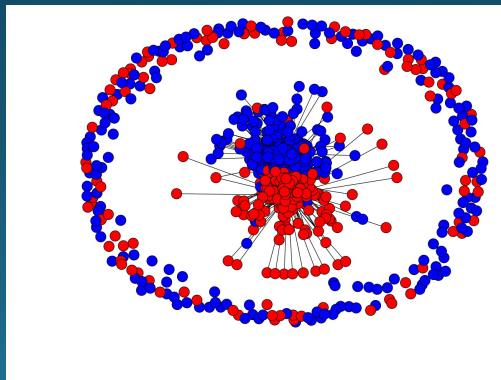
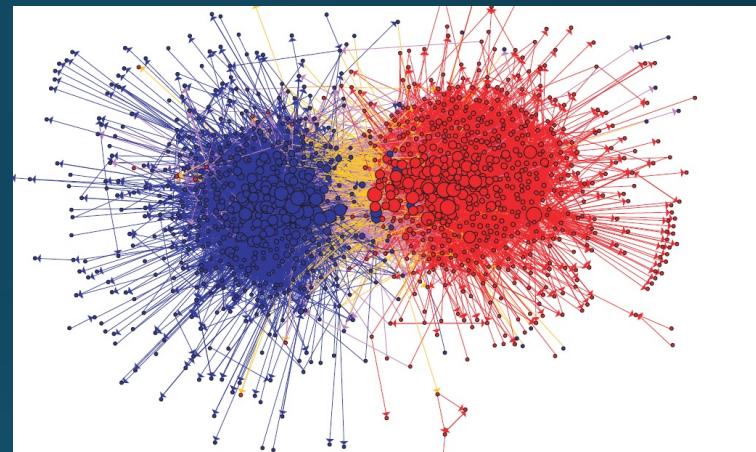
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# Network Datasets with Known Classes

- UMBCBlog
- AGBlog
- MSPBlog
- Cora
- Citeseer

|          | Nodes | Edges | Density |
|----------|-------|-------|---------|
| UMBCBlog | 404   | 2725  | 0.01670 |
| AGBlog   | 1222  | 19021 | 0.01274 |
| MSPBlog  | 1031  | 9316  | 0.00876 |
| Cora     | 2485  | 5209  | 0.00084 |
| CiteSeer | 2110  | 3757  | 0.00084 |



# MultiRankWalk

- Seed Selection
  - Order by PageRank or degree, or even randomly
  - Traverse list until you have  $k$  examples/class

$$\vec{r} = (1 - d)\vec{u} + dW\vec{r}$$

**Given:** A graph  $G = (V, E)$ , corresponding to nodes in  $G$  are instances  $X$ , composed of unlabeled instances  $X^U$  and labeled instances  $X^L$  with corresponding labels  $Y^L$ , and a damping factor  $d$ .

**Returns:** Labels  $Y^U$  for unlabeled nodes  $X^U$ .

**For each class  $c$**

- 1) Set  $\mathbf{u}_i \leftarrow 1, \forall Y_i^L = c$
- 2) Normalize  $\mathbf{u}$  such that  $\|\mathbf{u}\|_1 = 1$
- 3) Set  $R_c \leftarrow RandomWalk(G, \mathbf{u}, d)$

**For each instance  $i$**

- Set  $X_i^U \leftarrow argmax_c(R_{ci})$

Fig. 1. The MultiRankWalk algorithm.

# Comparison: wvRN

- One definition [MacSkassy & Provost, JMLR 2007]:...

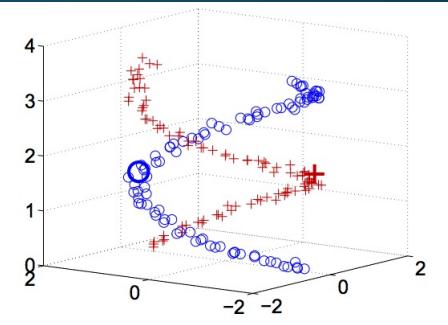
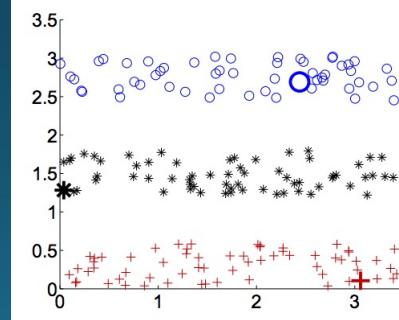
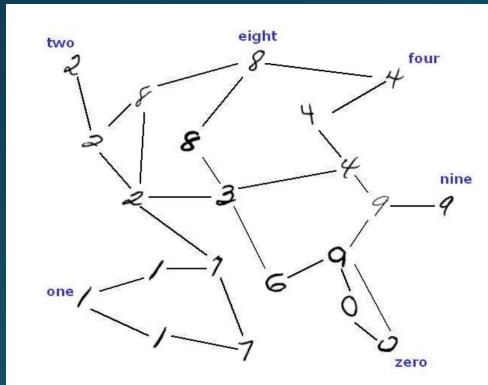
**Definition.** Given  $v_i \in \mathbf{V}^U$ , the weighted-vote relational-neighbor classifier (wvRN) estimates  $P(x_i | \mathcal{N}_i)$  as the (weighted) mean of the class-membership probabilities of the entities in  $\mathcal{N}_i$ :

$$P(x_i = c | \mathcal{N}_i) = \frac{1}{Z} \sum_{v_j \in \mathcal{N}_i} w_{i,j} \cdot P(x_j = c | \mathcal{N}_j),$$

- Does this look familiar?
- **Homophily!**

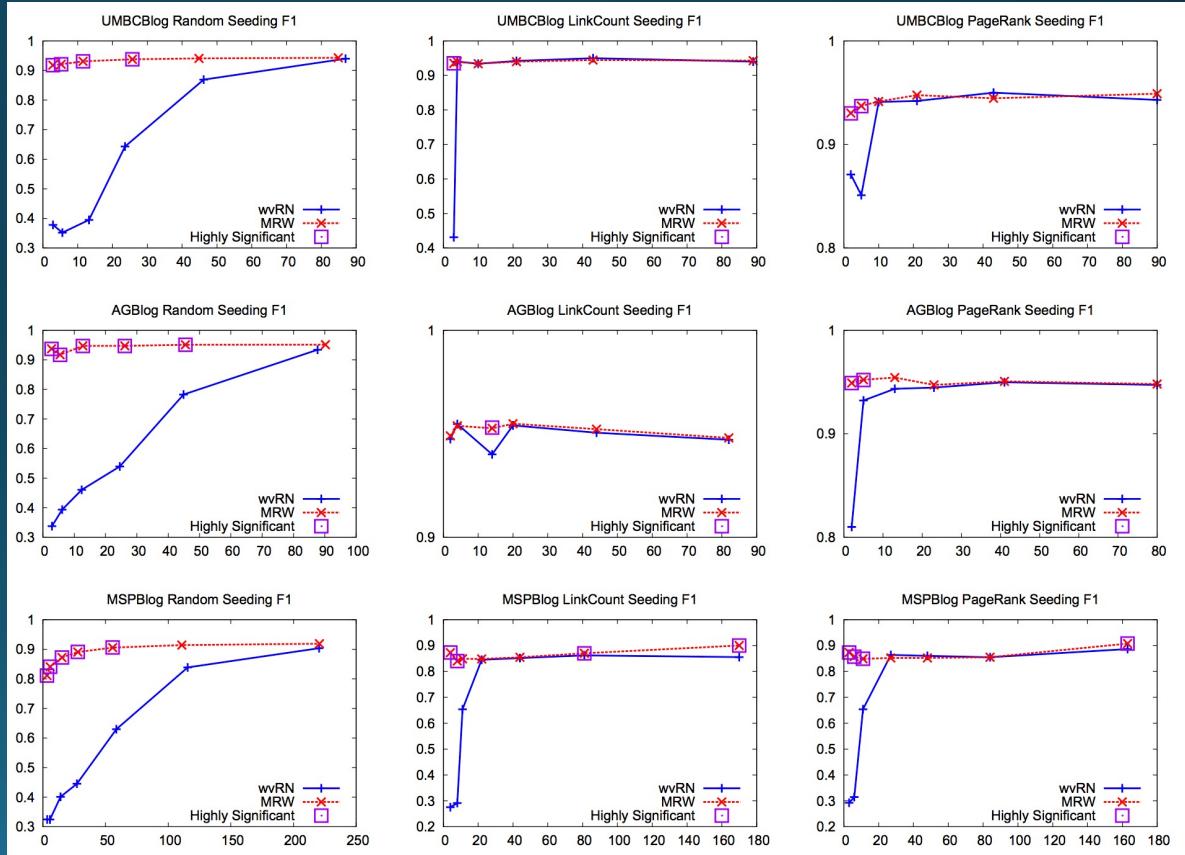
# Comparison: HF

- Another definition in [X. Zhu, Z. Ghahramani, and J. Lafferty, ICML 2003]
- A **harmonic field** – the score of each node in the graph is the harmonic, or linearly weighted, average of its neighbors' scores (harmonic field, HF)



# MRW versus wvRN

- MRW is easily the method to beat
- wvRN matches MRW **only** when seeding is **not** random
- Still takes a larger number of labeled instances compared to MRW



# Why is MRW > wvRN?

- Start with wvRN & HF objectives

$$(6.2) \quad P(x_i = c|N_i) = \frac{1}{Z} \sum_{v_j \in N_i} w_{i,j} \cdot P(x_j = c|N_j)$$

- Do not account for graph *structure*

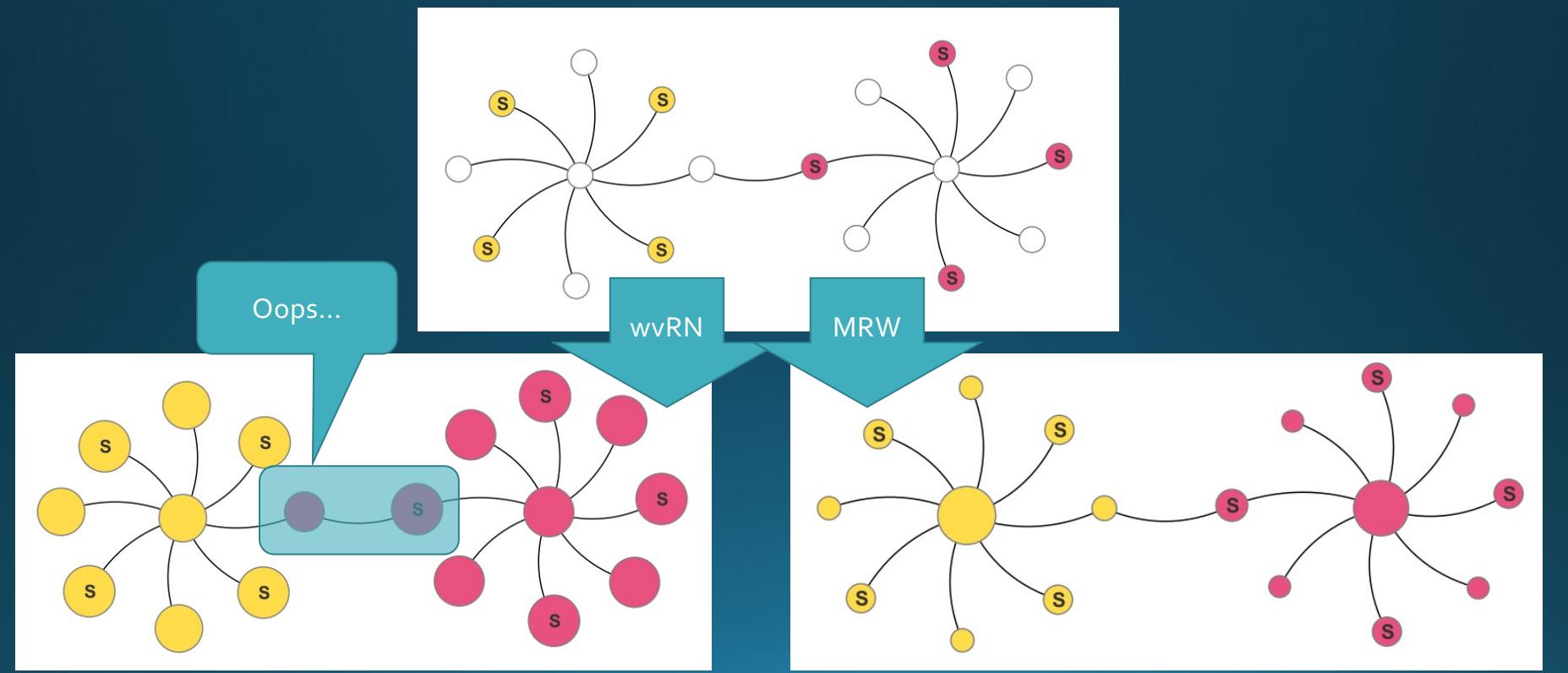
- Or location of seeds

$$(6.3) \quad f(j) = \frac{1}{d_j} \sum_{i \sim j} w_{i,j} \cdot f(i)$$

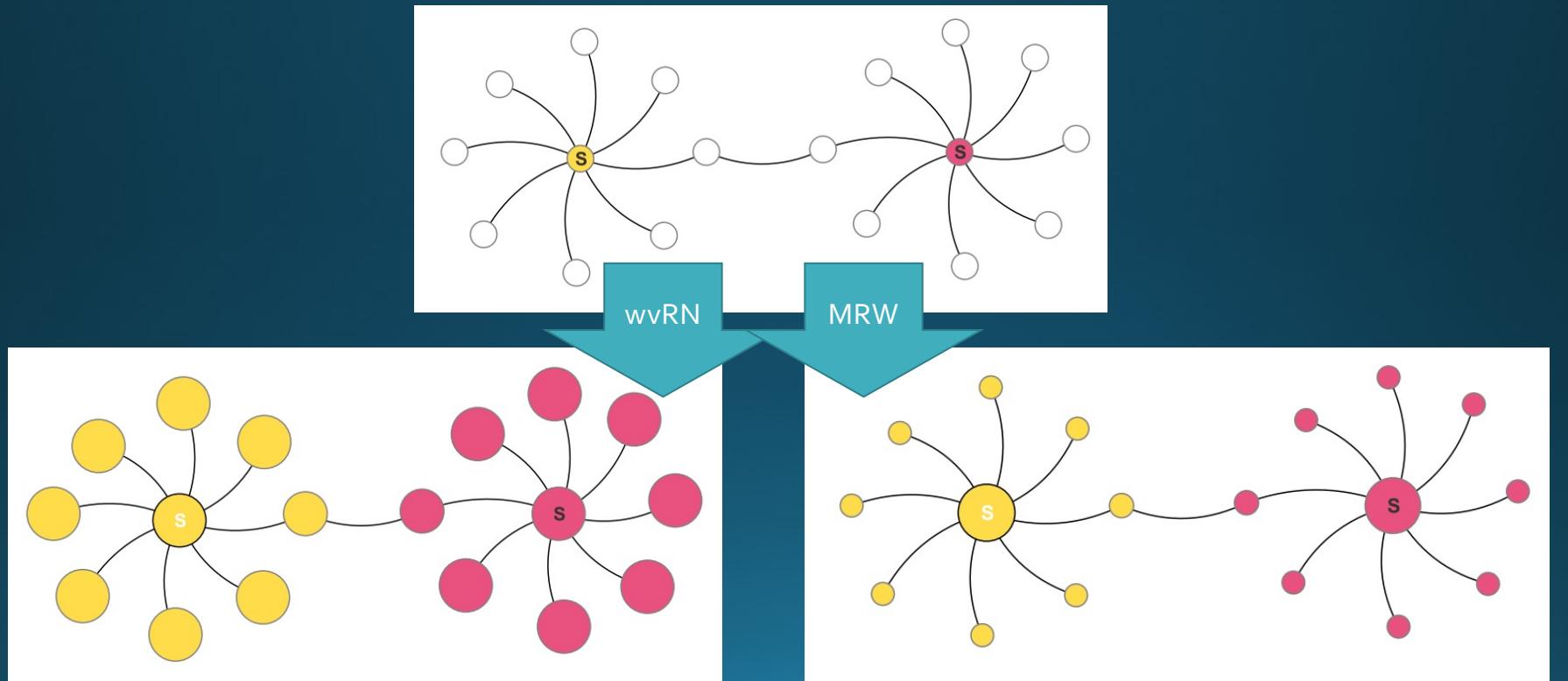
- **Graph-walk methods do not have these constraints**

- And directly account for graph structure

# Why is MRW > wvRN?



# Why is MRW > wvRN?



# Notations

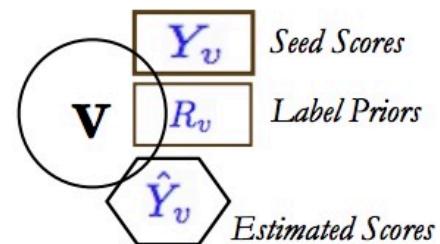
$\hat{Y}_{v,l}$  : score of estimated label  $l$  on node  $v$

$Y_{v,l}$  : score of seed label  $l$  on node  $v$

$R_{v,l}$  : regularization target for label  $l$  on node  $v$

$S$  : seed node indicator (diagonal matrix)

$W_{uv}$  : weight of edge  $(u, v)$  in the graph



## LP-ZGL (Zhu et al., ICML 2003)

$$\arg \min_{\hat{Y}} \sum_{l=1}^m W_{uv} (\hat{Y}_{ul} - \hat{Y}_{vl})^2 = \sum_{l=1}^m \hat{Y}_l^T L \hat{Y}_l$$

*Smooth*

such that  $\hat{Y}_{ul} = \hat{Y}_{ul}, \forall S_{uu} = 1$

*Match Seeds (hard)*

Graph Laplacian  
 $L = D - W$  (PSD)

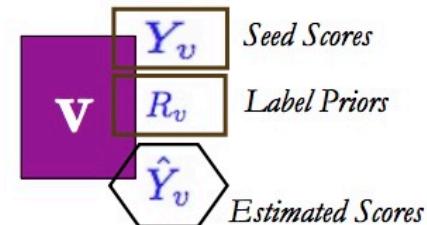
- Smoothness
  - two nodes connected by an edge with high weight should be assigned similar labels
- Solution satisfies harmonic property

# Modified Adsorption (MAD)

[Talukdar and Crammer, ECML 2009]

$$\arg \min_{\hat{\mathbf{Y}}} \sum_{l=1}^{m+1} \left[ \|\mathbf{S}\hat{\mathbf{Y}}_l - \mathbf{S}\mathbf{Y}_l\|^2 + \mu_1 \sum_{u,v} \mathbf{M}_{uv} (\hat{\mathbf{Y}}_{ul} - \hat{\mathbf{Y}}_{vl})^2 + \mu_2 \|\hat{\mathbf{Y}}_l - \mathbf{R}_l\|^2 \right]$$

- $m$  labels, +1 dummy label
- $\mathbf{M} = \mathbf{W}^\top + \mathbf{W}'$  is the symmetrized weight matrix
- $\hat{\mathbf{Y}}_{vl}$ : weight of label  $l$  on node  $v$
- $\mathbf{Y}_{vl}$ : seed weight for label  $l$  on node  $v$
- $\mathbf{S}$ : diagonal matrix, nonzero for seed nodes
- $\mathbf{R}_{vl}$ : regularization target for label  $l$  on node  $v$



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How to do this minimization?

First, differentiate to find min is at

$$(\mu_1 \mathbf{S} + \mu_2 \mathbf{L} + \mu_3 \mathbf{I}) \hat{\mathbf{Y}}_l = (\mu_1 \mathbf{S}\mathbf{Y}_l + \mu_3 \mathbf{R}_l) .$$

**Jacobi method:**

- To solve  $\mathbf{Ax}=\mathbf{b}$  for  $\mathbf{x}$

- Iterate:

$$\mathbf{x}^{(k+1)} = D^{-1}(\mathbf{b} - R\mathbf{x}^{(k)}).$$

- ... or:

$$x_i^{(k+1)} = \frac{1}{a_{ii}} \left( b_i - \sum_{j \neq i} a_{ij} x_j^{(k)} \right), \quad i = 1, 2, \dots, n.$$

Inputs  $\mathbf{Y}, \mathbf{R} : |V| \times (|L| + 1)$ ,  $\mathbf{W} : |V| \times |V|$ ,  $\mathbf{S} : |V| \times |V|$  diagonal

$\hat{\mathbf{Y}} \leftarrow \mathbf{Y}$

$\mathbf{M} = \mathbf{W}' + \mathbf{W}^\dagger$

$Z_v \leftarrow \mathbf{S}_{vv} + \mu_1 \sum_{u \neq v} \mathbf{M}_{vu} + \mu_2 \quad \forall v \in V$

repeat

    for all  $v \in V$  do

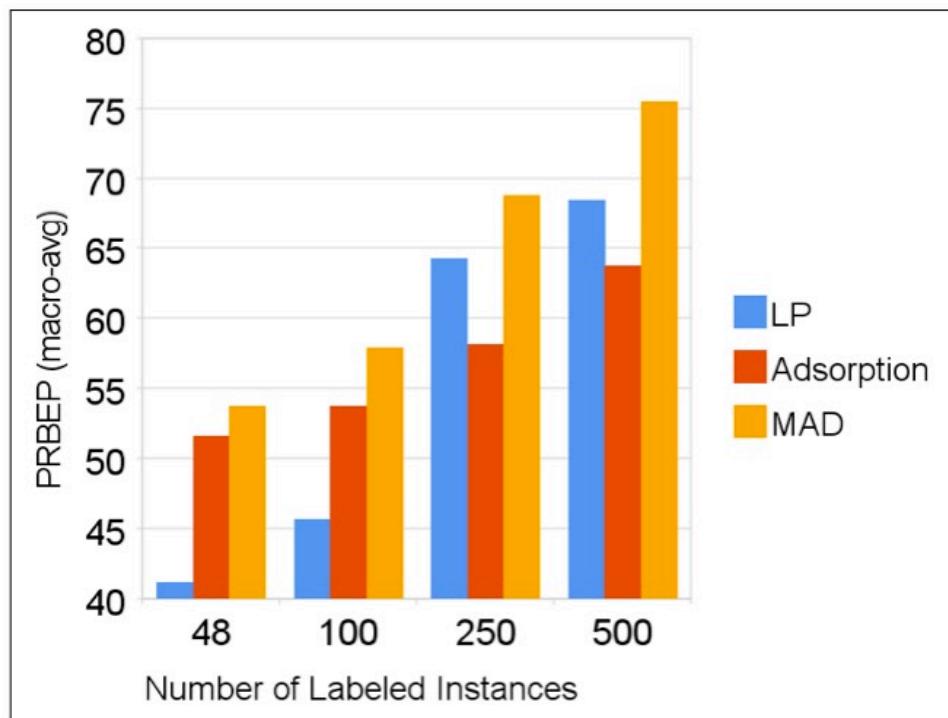
$\hat{\mathbf{Y}}_v \leftarrow \frac{1}{Z_v} \left( (\mathbf{S}\mathbf{Y})_v + \mu_1 \mathbf{M}_v \cdot \hat{\mathbf{Y}} + \mu_2 \mathbf{R}_v \right)$

    end for

until convergence

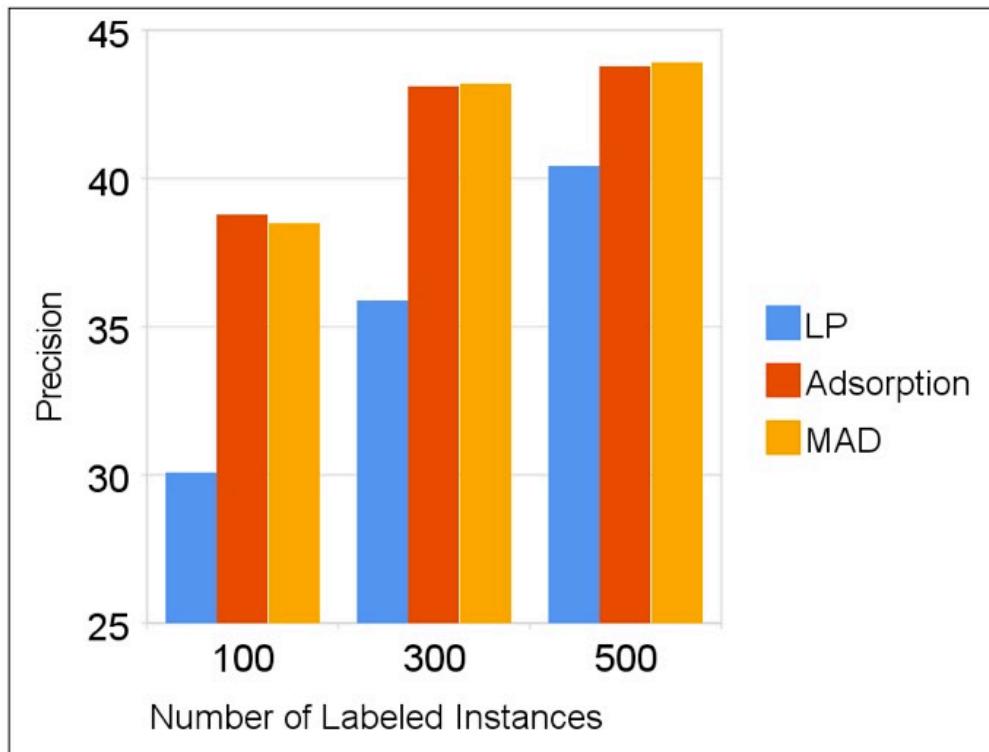
- Extends Adsorption with well-defined optimization
- Importance of a node can be discounted
- Easily Parallelizable: Scalable

# Text Classification



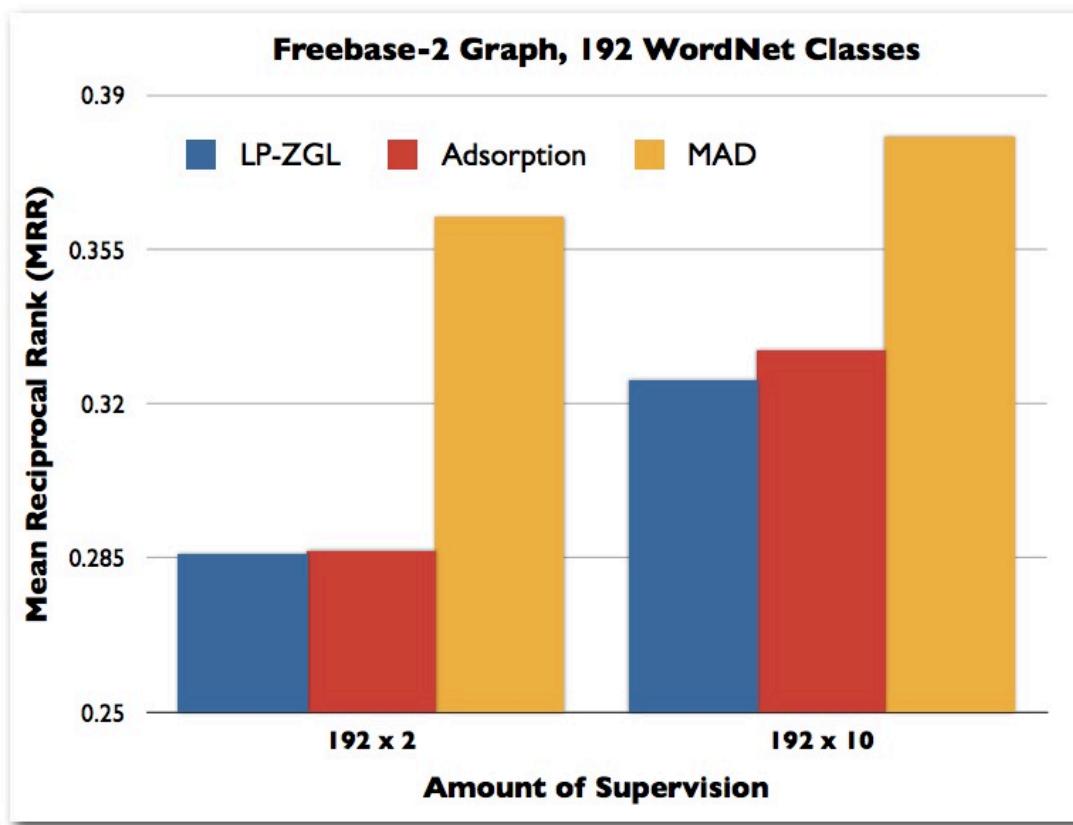
PRBEP (macro-averaged) on WebKB  
Dataset, 3148 test instances

# Sentiment Classification

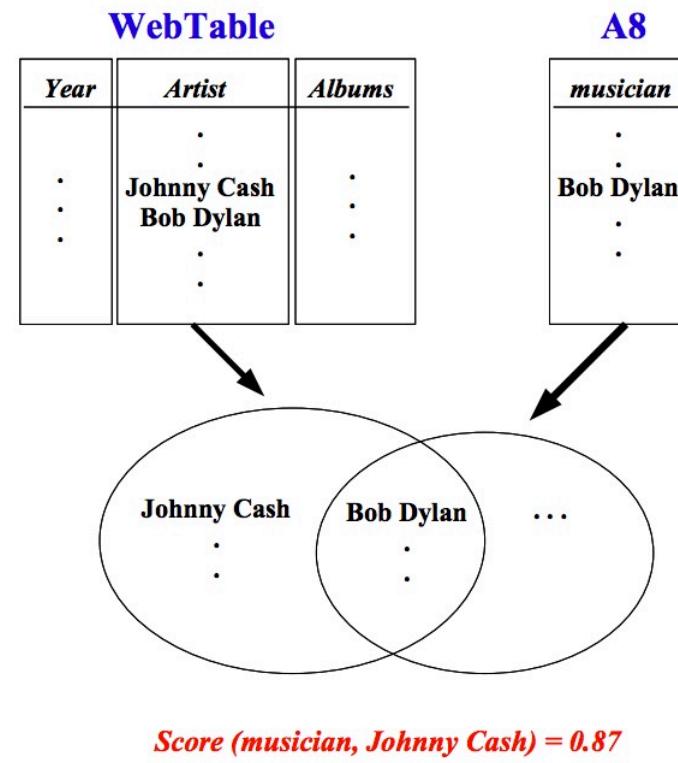


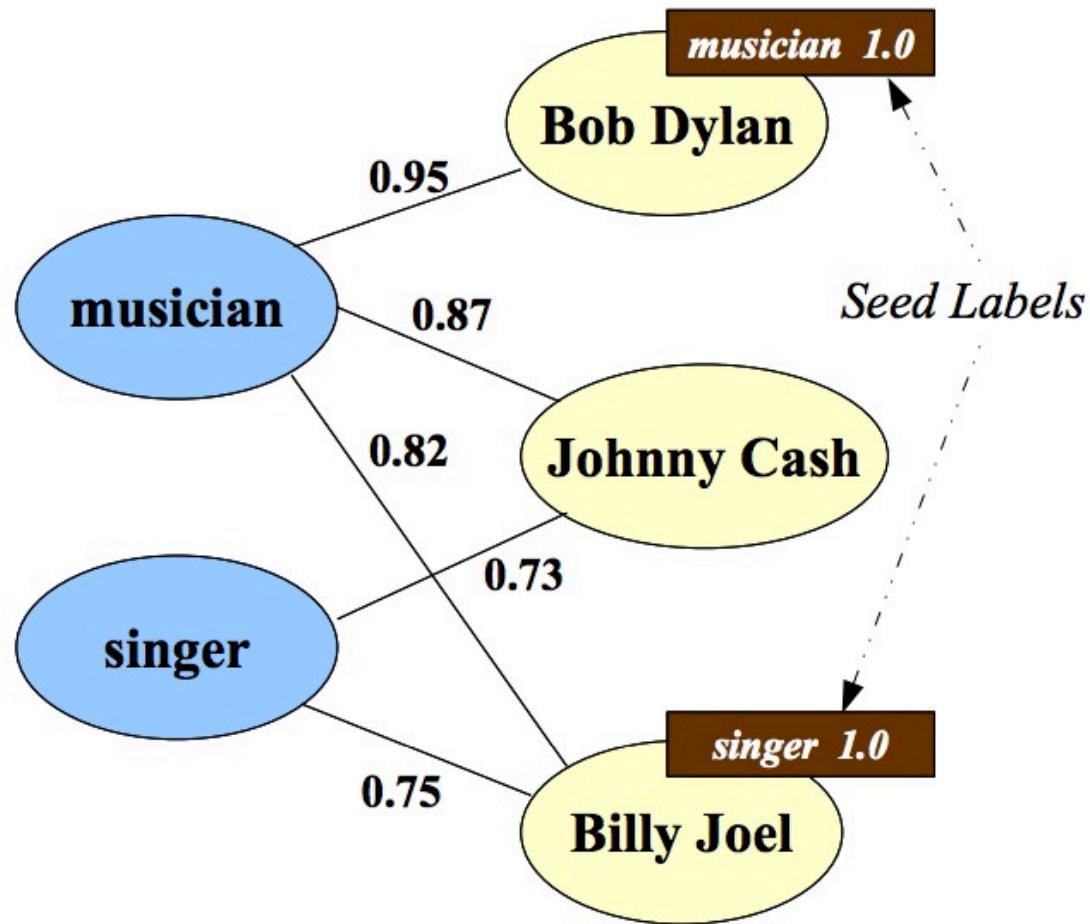
Precision on 3568 Sentiment test instances

# Class-Instance Acquisition



## ASSIGNING CLASS LABELS TO WEBTABLE INSTANCES





## New (Class, Instance) Pairs Found

| Class               | A few non-seed Instances found by Adsorption  |
|---------------------|---|
| Scientific Journals | Journal of Physics, Nature, Structural and Molecular Biology, Sciences Sociales et sante, Kidney and Blood Pressure Research, American Journal of Physiology-Cell Physiology, ... |
| NFL Players         | Tony Gonzales, Thabiti Davis, Taylor Stubblefield, Ron Dixon, Rodney Hannan, ...  |
| Book Publishers     | Small Night Shade Books, House of Ansari Press, Highwater Books, Distributed Art Publishers, Cooper Canyon Press, ...   |

# Modern SSL

- Graph Laplacians
  - Enforces graph structure
  - Imposes smoothness on labels
- Graph embeddings
  - “Embedding” ~ “context”
- Transductive -> Inductive
  - Transductive: learns the unlabeled data from the labeled data + structure
  - Inductive: generalizes to completely unobserved data

# Graph Laplacians

- Reformulate SSL objective as two distinct terms:

$$f^T L f = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i,j} W_{ij} (f(i) - f(j))^2$$

Weighted sum of supervised loss over *labeled* instances

$$J(f) = f^T L f + \sum_{i=1}^l \lambda (f(i) - y_i)^2 = f^T L f + (f - y)^T \Lambda (f - y)$$

Graph Laplacian regularization term

# Graph Embeddings

- Remember word embeddings with word2vec?
- **Context!**
- Estimate “context” of each node with a random walk over neighborhood of a fixed window size
- Skipgram-based model, DeepWalk

$$-\sum_{(i,c)} \log p(c|i) = -\sum_{(i,c)} \left( \mathbf{w}_c^T \mathbf{e}_i - \log \sum_{c' \in C} \exp(\mathbf{w}_{c'}^T \mathbf{e}_i) \right)$$

- $C$  is set of all possible context
- $w$ 's are parameters of Skipgram
- $\mathbf{e}_i$  is embedding of node  $i$

# Inductive SSL

- You start with  $X^l$  (labeled) and  $X^U$  (unlabeled), hoping their combination will result in a superior model
- Semi-supervised learning yields predictions on  $X^U$ 
  - Transductive learning
- What if a *completely unobserved* data point shows up?
  - Inductive learning—a concept often left out in SSL literature
- **Convert your SSL framework to classification!**

Transductive learning (note embeddings)

$$p(y|\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{e}) = \frac{\exp[\mathbf{h}^k(\mathbf{x})^T, \mathbf{h}^l(\mathbf{e})^T] \mathbf{w}_y}{\sum_{y'} \exp[\mathbf{h}^k(\mathbf{x})^T, \mathbf{h}^l(\mathbf{e})^T] \mathbf{w}_{y'}},$$

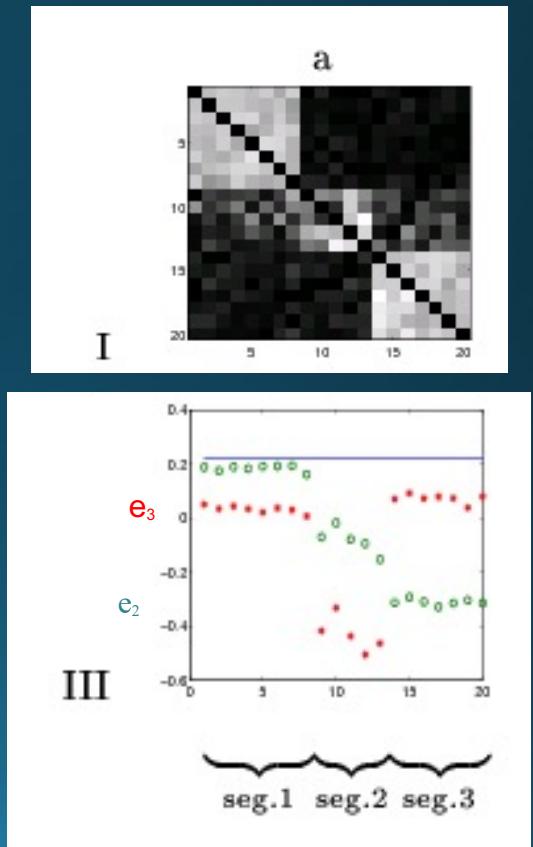
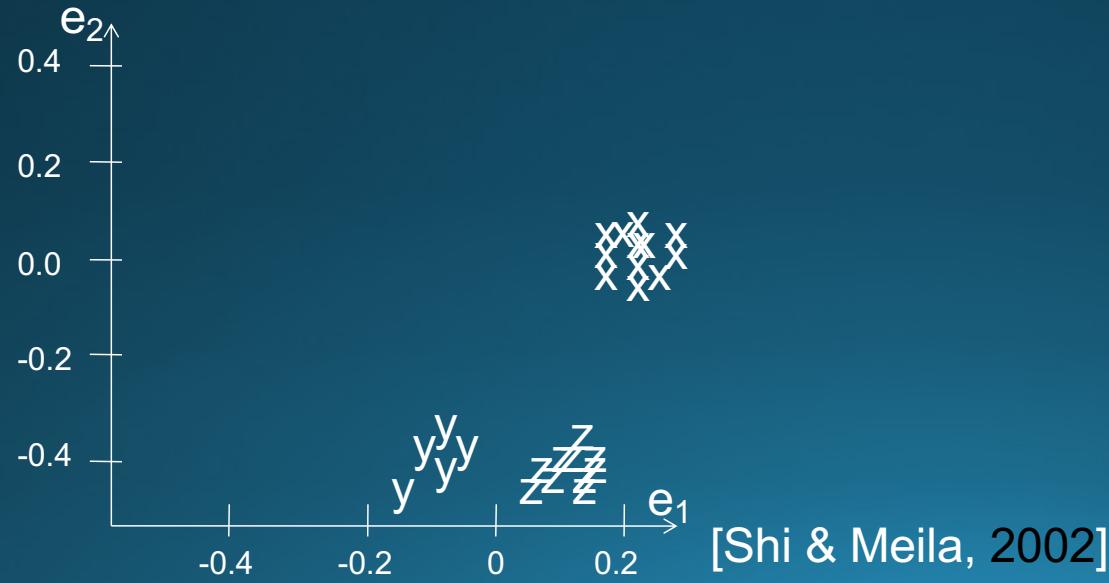
Inductive learning (dependent only on  $x$ )

$$p(y|\mathbf{x}) = \frac{\exp[\mathbf{h}^k(\mathbf{x})^T, \mathbf{h}^l(\mathbf{x})^T] \mathbf{w}_y}{\sum_{y'} \exp[\mathbf{h}^k(\mathbf{x})^T, \mathbf{h}^l(\mathbf{x})^T] \mathbf{w}_{y'}}$$

Quick digression to unsupervised learning...

# Spectral Clustering

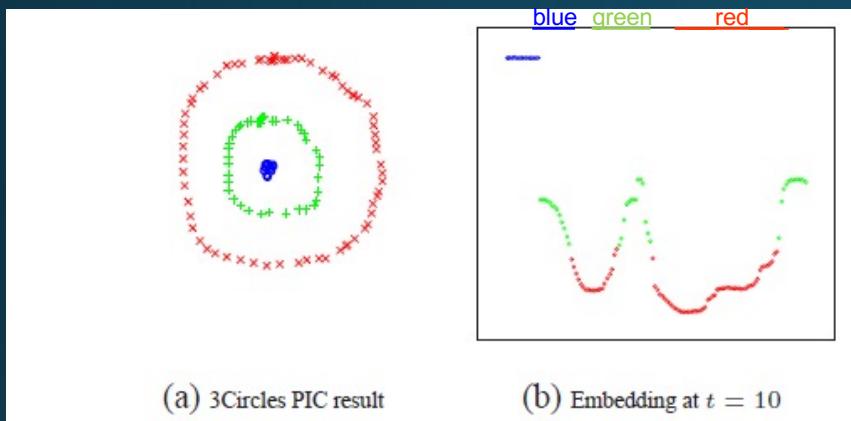
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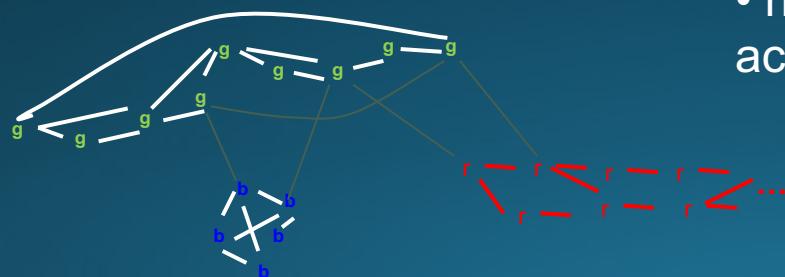
## Repeated averaging with neighbors as a clustering method

- Pick a vector  $v^0$  (maybe at random)
  - Compute  $v^1 = Wv^0$ 
    - i.e., replace  $v^0[x]$  with *weighted average* of  $v^0[y]$  for the neighbors  $y$  of  $x$
  - Plot  $v^1[x]$  for each  $x$
  - Repeat for  $v^2, v^3, \dots$
- 
- Variants widely used for *semi-supervised* learning
    - clamping of labels for nodes with known labels
  - Without clamping, will converge to constant  $v^t$
  - What are the *dynamics* of this process?

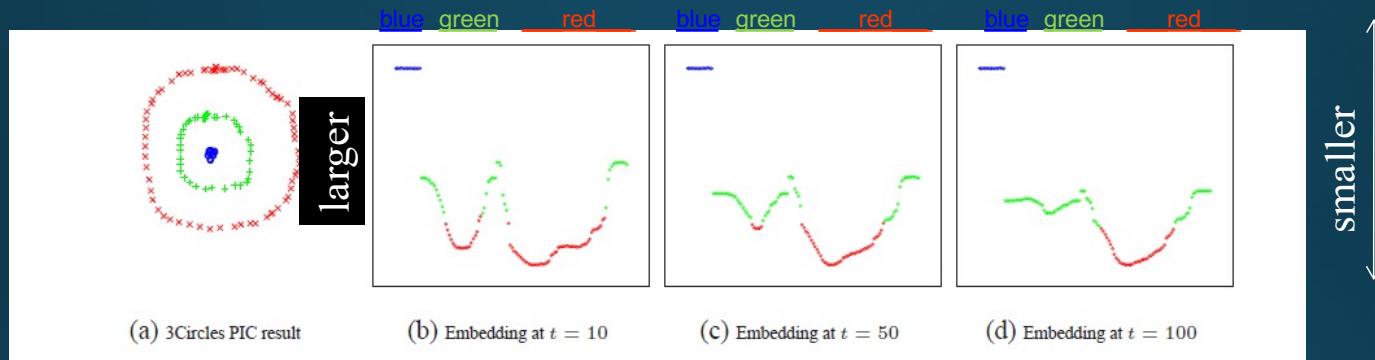
Repeated averaging with neighbors on a sample problem...



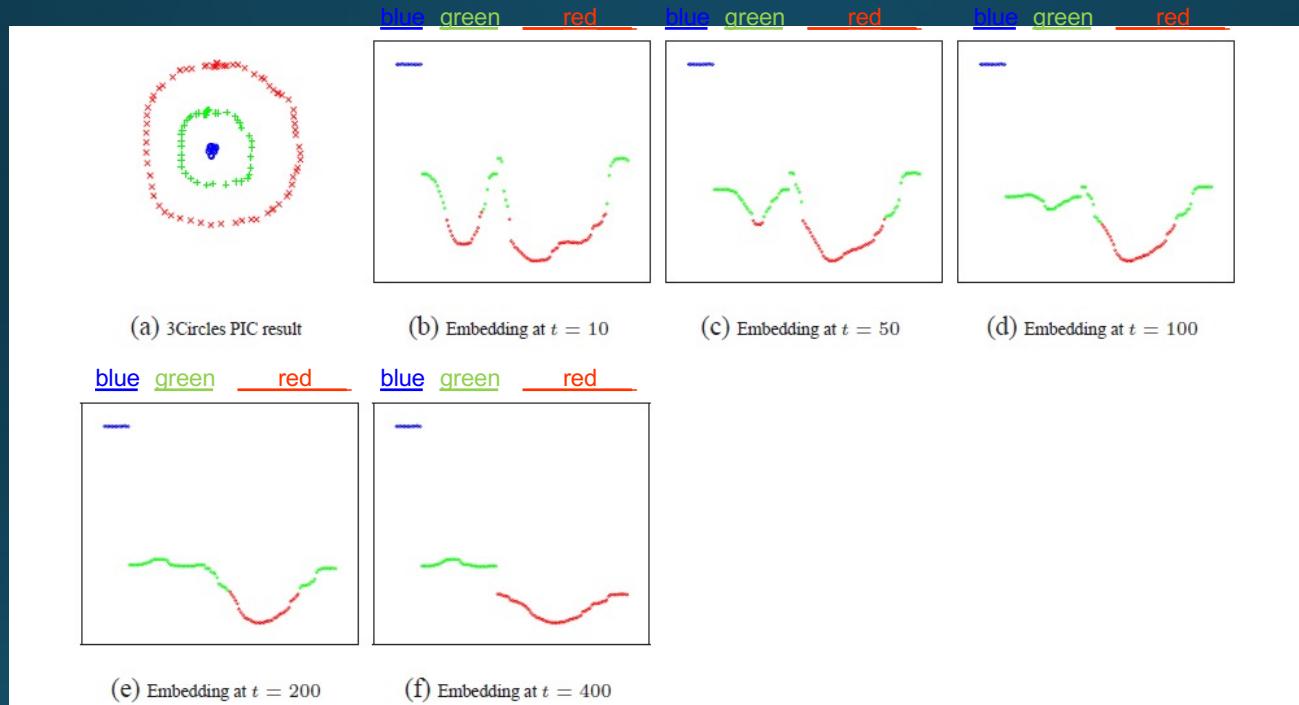
- Create a graph, connecting all points in the 2-D initial space to all other points
  - Weighted by distance
- Run power iteration for 10 steps
- Plot node id  $x$  vs  $v^{10}(x)$ 
  - nodes are ordered by actual cluster number



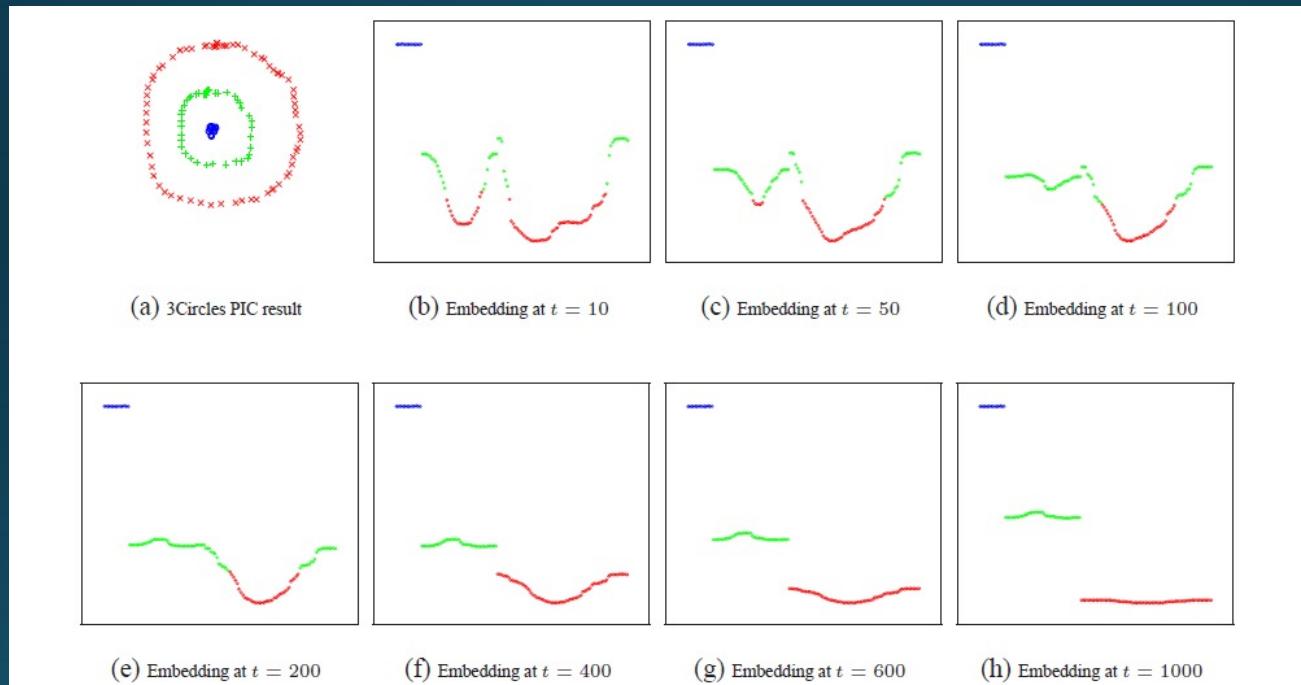
Repeated averaging with neighbors on a sample problem...



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Repeated averaging with neighbors on a sample problem...



# PIC: Power Iteration Clustering

- Run power iteration (repeated averaging w/ neighbors) with early stopping

1. Pick an initial vector  $\mathbf{v}^0$ .
2. Set  $\mathbf{v}^{t+1} \leftarrow \frac{W\mathbf{v}^t}{\|W\mathbf{v}^t\|_1}$  and  $\delta^{t+1} \leftarrow |\mathbf{v}^{t+1} - \mathbf{v}^t|$ .
3. Increment  $t$  and repeat above step until  $|\delta^t - \delta^{t-1}| \simeq 0$ .
4. Use  $k$ -means to cluster points on  $\mathbf{v}^t$  and return clusters  $C_1, C_2, \dots, C_k$ .

- $\mathbf{v}^0$ : random start, or “degree matrix”  $D$ , or others
- Easy to implement, and relatively efficient (& easily parallelized!)
- Empirically, often **better** than traditional spectral methods
  - Surprising given embedded space is 1-dimensional!

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