

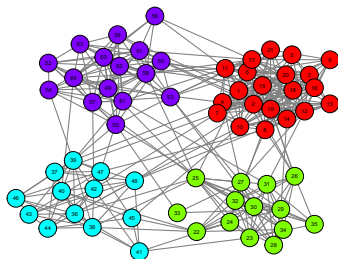
# Connecting the Popularity Adjusted Block Model to the Generalized Random Dot Product Graph

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# The Popularity Adjusted Block Model



**Def** Popularity Adjusted Block Model (Sengupta and Chen, 2017):

Let each vertex  $i \in [n]$  have  $K$  popularity parameters

$\lambda_{i1}, \dots, \lambda_{iK} \in [0, 1]$ .

Then  $A \sim \text{BernoulliGraph}(P)$  is a PABM if each  $P_{ij} = \lambda_{iz_j} \lambda_{jz_i}$

# The Popularity Adjusted Block Model

**Lemma** (Noroozi, Rimal, and Pensky, 2020):

$A$  is sampled from a PABM if  $P$  can be described as:

1. Let each  $P^{(kl)}$  denote the  $n_k \times n_l$  matrix of edge probabilities between communities  $k$  and  $l$ .
2. Organize popularity parameters as vectors  $\lambda^{(kl)} \in \mathbb{R}^{n_k}$  such that  $\lambda_i^{(kl)} = \lambda_{k_i l}$  is the popularity parameter of the  $i^{\text{th}}$  vertex of community  $k$  towards community  $l$ .
3. Each block can be decomposed as  $P^{(kl)} = \lambda^{(kl)}(\lambda^{(lk)})^\top$ .

**Notation:**  $A \sim \text{PABM}(\{\lambda^{(kl)}\}_K)$ .

# The Generalized Random Dot Product Graph

Generalized Random Dot Product Graph  $A \sim \text{GRDPG}_{p,q}(X)$   
(Rubin-Delanchy, Cape, Tang, Priebe, 2020)

- ▶ Latent vectors  $x_1, \dots, x_n \in \mathbb{R}^{p+q}$  such that  $x_i^\top I_{p,q} x_j \in [0, 1]$  and  $I_{p,q} = \text{blockdiag}(I_p, -I_q)$
- ▶  $A \sim \text{BernoulliGraph}(X I_{p,q} X^\top)$  where  $X = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 & \cdots & x_n \end{bmatrix}^\top$

If latent vectors  $X_1, \dots, X_n \stackrel{iid}{\sim} F$ , then we write  $(A, X) \sim \text{GRDPG}_{p,q}(F, n)$ .

# Connecting the PABM to the GRDPG

**Theorem (KTT):**  $A \sim \text{PABM}(\{\lambda^{(kl)}\}_K)$  is equivalent to  $A \sim \text{GRDPG}_{p,q}(XU)$  such that

- ▶  $p = K(K + 1)/2$
- ▶  $q = K(K - 1)/2$
- ▶  $U$  is orthogonal and predetermined for each  $K$
- ▶  $X$  is block diagonal and composed of  $\{\lambda^{(kl)}\}_K$   
 $\implies$  if  $x_i^\top$  and  $x_j^\top$  are two rows of  $XU$  corresponding to different communities, then  $x_i^\top x_j = 0$ .

**Remark** (non-uniqueness of the latent configuration):

$$A \sim \text{GRDPG}_{p,q}(XU) \implies A \sim \text{GRDPG}_{p,q}(XUQ) \quad \forall Q \in \mathbb{O}(p, q)$$

**Corollary:**  $X$  is block diagonal by community and  $U$  is orthogonal  
 $\implies$  each community corresponds to a subspace in  $\mathbb{R}^{K^2}$ .

Subspace property holds even with linear transformation  
 $Q \in \mathbb{O}(p, q)$ .

## Connecting the PABM to the GRDPG

**Theorem (KTT):** If  $P = V\Lambda V^\top$  is the spectral decomposition of  $P$  for the PABM and  $V$  has rows  $v_i^\top$ , then  $v_i^\top v_j = 0 \ \forall z_i \neq z_j$ .

**Theorem (KTT):** If  $A \approx \hat{V}\hat{\Lambda}\hat{V}^\top$  is the spectral decomposition of  $A$  for the PABM using the  $K(K+1)/2$  most positive and  $K(K-1)/2$  most negative eigenvalues, and we denote  $\hat{v}_i^\top$  as the rows of  $\hat{V}$ , then

$$\max_{i,j: z_i \neq z_j} n\hat{v}_i^\top \hat{v}_j = O_P\left(\frac{(\log n)^c}{\sqrt{n\rho_n}}\right)$$

Orthogonal Spectral Clustering (KTT):

1. Let  $V$  be the eigenvectors of  $A$  corresponding to the  $K(K+1)/2$  most positive and  $K(K-1)/2$  most negative eigenvalues.
2. Compute  $B = |nVV^\top|$  applying  $|\cdot|$  entry-wise.
3. Construct graph  $\hat{G}$  using  $B$  as its similarity matrix.
4. Partition  $\hat{G}$  into  $K$  disconnected subgraphs.

# Simulation Study

## Simulation setup:

1.  $Z_1, \dots, Z_n \stackrel{iid}{\sim} \text{Categorical}(1/K, \dots, 1/K)$
2.  $\lambda_{ik} \stackrel{iid}{\sim} \text{Beta}(a_{ik}, b_{ik})$   
$$a_{ik} = \begin{cases} 2 & z_i = k \\ 1 & z_i \neq k \end{cases}, b_{ik} = \begin{cases} 1 & z_i = k \\ 2 & z_i \neq k \end{cases}$$
3.  $P_{ij} = \lambda_{iz_j} \lambda_{jz_i}$
4.  $A \sim \text{BernoulliGraph}(P)$

