

Let  $\mathcal{S}$  be the set of  $10^5$  subsets that will be used to implement the algorithm in Q2.

Let  $\hat{\lambda}_{\max}$  and  $\hat{\lambda}_{\min}$  be the maximum (minimum) of the maximal (minimal) eigenvalue of any matrix  $\mathbf{A}_{\mathcal{S}}^T \mathbf{A}_{\mathcal{S}}$  where  $\mathcal{S} \in \mathcal{S}$ .

$$\text{Now, } \mathcal{S} \in n^{|S|} \Rightarrow \hat{\lambda}_{\max} \leq \lambda_{\max} \text{ and } \hat{\lambda}_{\min} \geq \lambda_{\min} \quad (1)$$

$$\Rightarrow \hat{\lambda}_{\max} - 1 \leq \lambda_{\max} - 1 \text{ and } 1 - \hat{\lambda}_{\min} \leq 1 - \lambda_{\min} \quad (2)$$

$$\Rightarrow \max(\hat{\lambda}_{\max} - 1, 1 - \hat{\lambda}_{\min}) \leq \max(\lambda_{\max} - 1, 1 - \lambda_{\min}) \quad (3)$$

$$\Rightarrow \hat{\delta}_s \leq \delta_s \quad (4)$$

$$\text{3 follows as } \max(\hat{\lambda}_{\max} - 1, 1 - \hat{\lambda}_{\min}) = \hat{\lambda}_{\max} - 1 \leq \lambda_{\max} - 1 \leq \max(\lambda_{\max} - 1, 1 - \lambda_{\min}) \quad (5)$$

$$\text{or } = 1 - \hat{\lambda}_{\min} \leq 1 - \lambda_{\min} \leq \max(\lambda_{\max} - 1, 1 - \lambda_{\min}) \quad (6)$$

Hence, the correct answer is option (1)  $\hat{\delta}_s \leq \delta_s$ .