# Final Project

Software Project (0368-2161)

# 1 Introduction

In this project you will implement a version of the unnormalized spectral clustering algorithm. This document starts by introducing the mathematical basis and algorithms for the project, and then describes the code and implementation requirements.

**Unormalized Spectral Clustering** We present the Unormalized Spectral Clustering algorithm based on [1]. Given a set of n points  $X = x_1, x_2, \dots, x_N \in \mathbb{R}^d$  the algorithm is:

# Algorithm 1 The Unormalized Spectral Clustering Algorithm

- 1: Form the weighted adjacency matrix W from X (see details in 1.1)
- 2: Compute the graph Laplacian L (see details in 1.1)
- 3: Compute the first k eigenvectors  $u_1, \ldots, u_k$  of L (see details in 1.2,1.3)
- 4: Let  $U \in R^{n \times k}$  be the matrix containing the vectors  $u_1, \dots, u_k$  of L as columns.
- 5: Treating each row of U as a point in  $\mathbb{R}^k$ , cluster them into k clusters using K-means++

#### Where:

• "the first k eigenvectors" we refer to the eigenvectors corresponding to the k smallest eigenvalues.

#### 1.1 Graph Representation

We aim at creating an undirected graph G=(V,E;W), that will represent the n points at hand. Each point  $x_i$  is viewed as a vertex  $v_i$  (also known as node) to produce  $V=\{v_1,v_2,\ldots,v_n\}$ . A common mapping is to set  $v_i=i$ . The set of edges (also known as arcs) E will be the union of all connected pairs  $\{v_i,v_j\}$ . Next, we present the way to decide the weights of the graph and the structure of the graph.

#### 1.1.1 The Weighted Adjacency Matrix

The weighted adjacency matrix  $W \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  (also referred to as the affinity matrix) is defined as:

$$w_{ij} = \exp\left(-\frac{\|x_i - x_j\|^2}{2}\right) if \ i \neq j, \ and \ w_{ii} = 0$$

We denote by  $\|\|^2$  the Squared Euclidean distance ( $\|a-b\|^2 = \sum_{i=1}^d (a_i-b_i)^2$ ).

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#### 1.1.2 The Diagonal Degree Matrix

The degree matrix D is defined as the diagonal matrix with the degrees  $d_1,...,d_n$  on the diagonal and zero elsewhere. The degree of a vertex  $x_i \in X$  is defined as:

$$d_i = \sum_{j=1}^n w_{ij} \tag{1}$$

# 1.1.3 The Graph Laplacian

The graph Laplacian  $L \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  is defined as

$$L = D - W$$

# 1.2 Finding Eigenvalues and Eigenvectors

In this section, we lay the foundation needed to find **all** of the eigenvectors and eigenvalues of a real, symmetric, full rank matrix.

#### 1.2.1 Jacobi algorithm

The Jacobi eigenvalue algorithm is an iterative method for the calculation of the eigenvalues and eigenvectors of a real symmetric matrix (a process known as diagonalization).

#### 1. Procedure

- (a) Build a rotation matrix P (as explained below).
- (b) Transform the matrix A to:

$$A' = P^T A P$$

$$A = A'$$

- (c) Repeat a,b until A' is diagonal matrix.
- (d) The diagonal of the final A' is the eigenvalues of the original A.
- (e) Calculate the eigenvectors of A by multiplying all the rotation matrices:

$$V=P_1P_2P_3\dots$$

#### 2. Rotation Matrix P

Let S be a symmetric matrix and P be the Jacobi rotation matrix of the form:

$$P = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & & & & & \\ & \dots & & & & \\ & & c & \dots & s & \\ & & \vdots & 1 & \vdots & \\ & & -s & \dots & c & \\ & & & & \dots & \\ & & & & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Here all the diagonal elements are unity except for the two elements c in rows (and columns) i and j and all off-diagonal elements are zero except the two elements s and -s. Also,  $s=\sin\phi$  and  $c=\cos\phi$ .

3. Pivot

The  ${\it A}_{ij}$  is the off-diagonal element with the largest absolute value.

4. Obtain c, t

$$\theta = \cot 2\phi = \frac{A_{jj} - A_{ii}}{2A_{ij}}$$
$$t = \frac{sign(\theta)}{|\theta| + \sqrt{\theta^2 + 1}}$$
$$c = \frac{1}{\sqrt{t^2 + 1}}, \quad s = tc$$

Note: We define sign(0) = 1

5. **Convergence**: Let  $off(A)^2$  and  $off(A')^2$  be the sum of squares of all off-diagonal elements of A and A' respectively. Then the square of off diagonal elements of A is

$$off(A)^2 = \sum_{i=1}^{N} \sum_{j=1, j \neq i}^{N} a_{ij}^2$$

At step c in the above procedure, we define convergence as follow:

$$off(A)^2 - off(A')^2 \le \epsilon$$

We will be using  $\epsilon = 1.0 \times 10^{-5}$  OR maximum number of rotations = 100

6. Relation between A and A':

After each transformation of step 2, the modified elements of A are only the i and j rows and columns. Therefore, from the symmetry of A, we obtain the following formula to calculate A':

$$a'_{ri} = ca_{ri} - sa_{rj} r \neq i, j$$

$$a'_{rj} = ca_{rj} + sa_{ri} r \neq i, j$$

$$a'_{ii} = c^{2}a_{ii} + s^{2}a_{jj} - 2sca_{ij}$$

$$a'_{jj} = s^{2}a_{ii} + c^{2}a_{jj} + 2sca_{ij}$$

$$a'_{ij} = (c^{2} - s^{2})a_{ij} + sc(a_{ii} - a_{jj}) \Rightarrow a'_{ij} = 0$$

Note: A' is always symmetric.

# 1.3 The Eigengap Heuristic

In order to determine the number of clusters k, we will use eigengap heuristic as follow: let  $(\delta_i)_{i=1,\dots,n-1}$  be the eigengap for the ascending ordered eigenvalues  $0=\lambda_1\leq\ldots\leq\lambda_n$  of L, defined as:

$$\delta_i = |\lambda_i - \lambda_{i+1}|$$

The eigengap measure could indicate the number of clusters k through the following estimation:

$$k = argmax_i(\delta_i), \quad i = 1, \dots, \left\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \right\rfloor$$

In case of equality in the argmax of some eigengaps, use the lowest index.

# 2 Assignment Description

Implement the following files:

- 1. spkmeans.py: Python interface of your code.
- 2. spkmeans.h: C header file.
- 3. spkmeans.c: C interface of your code.
- 4. spkmeansmodule.c: Python C API wrapper.
- 5. setup.py: The setup file.
- Makefile: Your make script to build the C interface.
- 7. \*.c/h: Other modules and headers per your design.

# 2.1 Python Program (spkmeans.py)

- 1. Reading user CMD arguments:
  - (a) k (int, < N)(Optional): Number of required clusters. Default use the heuristic 1.3.
  - (b) goal: Can get the following values:
    - i. spk: Perform full spectral kmeans as described in 1.
    - ii. wam: Calculate and output the Weighted Adjacency Matrix as described in 1.1.1.
    - iii. ddg: Calculate and output the Diagonal Degree Matrix as described in 1.1.2.
    - iv. gl: Calculate and output the Graph Laplacian as described in 1.1.3.
    - v. jacobi: Calculate and output the eigenvalues and eigenvectors as described in 1.2.1.
  - (c) file\_name (.txt): The path to the Input file, it will contain N data points for all above goals except Jacobi, in case the goal is Jacobi the input is a symmetric matrix, the file extension is .txt

- 2. Implementation of the k-means++ initialization when the goal=spk, as detailed in HW2:
  - (a) Set np.random.seed(0) at the beginning of your code.
  - (b) Use np.random.choice() for random selection.
- 3. Interfacing with your C extension:
  - (a) Import C module mykmeanssp
  - (b) if the goal='spk', call the spk() method with passing the initial centroids, the data-points and other arguments if needed, and get the final centroids.
  - (c) if the goal='wam', call the wam() method with passing the datapoints, and get weighted adj matrix.
  - (d) if the goal='ddg', call the ddg() method with passing the datapoints, and get diagonal degree matrix.
  - (e) if the goal='gl', call the g1() method with passing the datapoints, and get graph Laplacian matrix.
  - (f) if the goal='jacobi', call the jacobi() method with passing the matrix, and get the eigenvalues and eigenvectors.
- 4. Outputting the following:
  - Case of 'spk': The first line will be the indices of the observations chosen by the
    K-means++ algorithm as the initial centroids. We refer to the first observation index
    as 0, the second as 1 and so on, up until N 1. The second line onward will be the
    calculated final centroids from the K-means algorithm, separated by a comma, such
    that each centroid is in a line of its own.
  - Case of 'Jacobi': The first line will be the eigenvalues, second line onward will be the corresponding eigenvectors (printed as columns).
  - Else: output the required matrix separated by a comma, such that each row is in a line of its own.

#### Example:

```
>>>python3 spkmeans.py 3 spk input_1.txt
0,4,22
-4.2435,9.1568,5.4105
3.3226,-1.3896,-9.1927
8.2239,-8.5714,-8.4985
```

# 2.2 C Program (spkmeans.c)

This is the C implementation program, with the following requirements:

Reading user CMD arguments:

- (a) goal: Can get the following values:
  - i. wam: Calculate and output the Weighted Adjacency Matrix as described in 1.1.1.
  - ii. ddg: Calculate and output the Diagonal Degree Matrix as described in 1.1.2.
  - iii. g1: Calculate and output the Graph Laplacian as described in 1.1.3.
  - iv. jacobi: Calculate and output the eigenvalues and eigenvectors as described in 1.2.1.
- (b) file\_name (.txt ): The path to the Input file, it will contain N data points for all above goals except Jacobi, in case the goal is Jacobi the input is a symmetric matrix, the file extension is .txt

#### 2. Outputting the following

- Case of 'Jacobi': The first line will be the eigenvalues, second line onward will be the corresponding eigenvectors (printed as columns).
- Else: output the required matrix separated by a comma, such that each row is in a line of its own.

The program must compile cleanly (no errors, no warnings) when running the following command:

#### \$make

After successful compilation the program can run for Example:

```
>>>./spkmeans gl input_1.txt
4.2435,9.1568,5.4105
9.1568,1.3896,-8.5714
5.4105,-8.5714,8.4985
```

# 2.3 Python C API (spkmeansmodule.c)

Start the file with:

```
#define PY_SSIZE_T_CLEAN
#include <Python.h>
```

In this file you will define your C extension which will serve the functions:spk, wam, ddg, gl, jacobi for Python, see 3.

#### 2.4 C Header file (spkmeans.h)

This header have to define all functions prototypes that is being used in spkmeansmodule.c and implemented at spkmeans.c.

# **2.5 Setup** (setup.py)

This is the build used to create the \*.so file that will allow spkmeans.py to import mykmeanssp.

#### 2.6 Makefile

Make script for building spkmeans executable, considering all it's dependency. The compilation command should include all the flags as below:

```
gcc -ansi -Wall -Wextra -Werror -pedantic-errors
```

### 2.7 Build and Running

1. The extension must built cleanly (no errors, no warnings) when running the following command:

```
$python3 setup.py build_ext --inplace
```

- 2. After succefull build, the program must run as detailed in example 2.1.
- 3. Don't compile the C module with gcc.

### 2.8 Assumptions

Note that the following list applies to all code in this assignment:

- 1. No need to validate arguments.
- 2. Outputs must be formatted to 4 decimal places (use: '%.4f') in both languages, for example:
  - $8.88885 \Rightarrow 8.8888$
  - $5.92237098749999997906 \Rightarrow 5.9224$
  - $2.231 \Rightarrow 2.2310$
- 3. There is no test files for this projects, you can create ones and test yourself.
- 4. Handle errors as following:
  - (a) In case of any error, print "An Error Has Occurred" and terminate.
- 5. Do not forget to free any memory you allocated.
- 6. You can assume that all given data points are different.
- 7. Use double in C and float in Python for all vector's elements.
- 8. Although all eigenvalues are non-negative in this project, there might be edge cases where you get -0.000 value, this is due to floating point precision, treat it as zero and multiply the corresponding eigenvector by -1.

# 3 Submission

- 1. Please submit a file named id1\_id2\_project.zip via Moodle, where id1 and id2 are the ids of the partners.
  - (a) In case of individual submission, id2 must be 111111111
- 2. Put the following files ONLY in a folder called id1\_id2\_project:
  - (a) spkmeans\_pp.py
  - (b) spkmeans.c
  - (c) spkmeansmodule.c
  - (d) spkmeans.h
  - (e) setup.py
  - (f) Makefile
  - (g) more \*.c, \*.h (optional)
- 3. Zip the folder using the following Linux cmd:

```
$zip -r id1_id2_assignment2.zip id1_id2_project
```

# References

[1] Ulrike Von Luxburg. A tutorial on spectral clustering. *Statistics and computing*, 17(4):395–416, 2007.