

# L18: Spectral Clustering

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# Clustering

Input

Data set  $X = \{x_1, x_2, \dots\}$

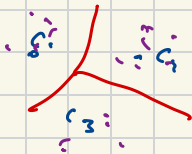
~~Distance~~  $D: X, X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$

Graph / Similarity

1. Hierarchical Agglomerative  
Density-based

bottom up : find two close sets  
merge.

2. Assignment-based  
Find Centers  $C = \{c_1, \dots, c_k\}$

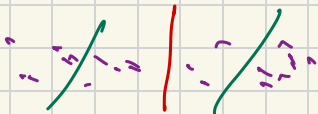


3. Spectral Clustering

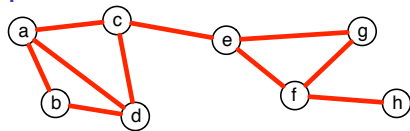
- top down

- input Graph (Similarity)

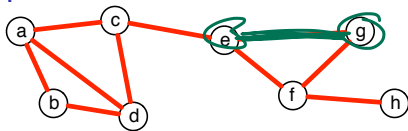
- Dimensionality Reduction.



# Graphs



# Graphs



**Vertex/Edge Set-style:**  $G = (V, E)$  where

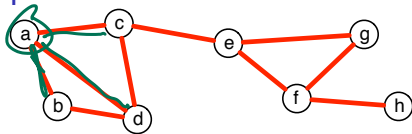
$V = \{a, b, c, d, e, f, g\}$  and

*Data points*

$E = \left\{ \{a, b\}, \{a, c\}, \{a, d\}, \{b, d\}, \{c, d\}, \{c, e\}, \{e, f\}, \boxed{\{e, g\}}, \{f, g\}, \{f, h\} \right\}$ .

*No order*

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$E = \left\{ \{a, b\}, \{a, c\}, \{a, d\}, \{b, d\}, \{c, d\}, \{c, e\}, \{e, f\}, \{e, g\}, \{f, g\}, \{f, h\} \right\}$ .

**Matrix-Style:** As a matrix with 1 if there is an edge, and 0 otherwise.  
(For a directed graph, it may not be symmetric).

$$G = \begin{array}{c|cccccccc} & a & b & c & d & e & f & g & h \\ \hline a & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ b & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ c & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ d & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ e & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ f & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ g & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ h & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$



## Normalized Cut

$\text{Vol}(S) =$  # edges with at least 1 endpoint in  $S$ .

$$\text{Vol}(S) = 6 \quad \text{Vol}(T) = 5$$

$$\text{Vol}(S') = 1 \quad \text{Vol}(T') = 10$$

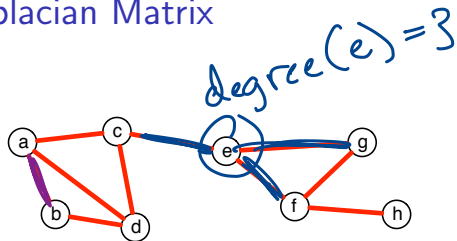
$$N\text{Cut}(S, T) = \frac{\text{Cut}(S, T)}{\text{Vol}(S)} + \frac{\text{Cut}(S, T)}{\text{Vol}(T)}$$

$$N\text{Cut}(S, T) = \frac{9}{6} + \frac{1}{5} \approx 0.367$$

$$N\text{Cut}(S', T') = \frac{1}{1} + \frac{1}{10} = 1.1$$

Goal: Find  $S \subset V$ , minimize  $N\text{Cut}(S, V \setminus S)$   
Recursive!

# Laplacian Matrix



adjacency

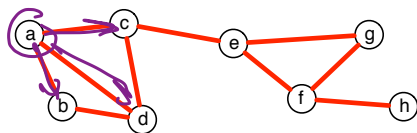
$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

degree

$$D = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 3 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 3 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 3 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$



# Unnormalized Laplacian Matrix

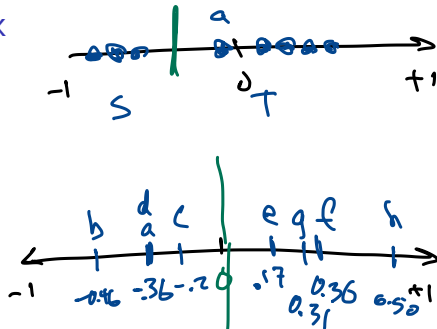
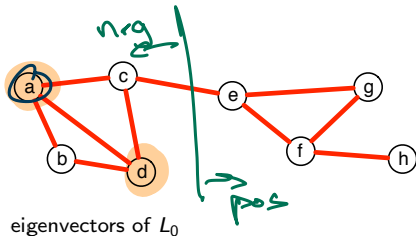


$$L_0 = U \Lambda U^T$$

↑ eigenvalues      ↑ eigenvectors

$$L_0 = D - A = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & -1 & -1 & -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 2 & 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 3 & -1 & -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & -1 & -1 & 3 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 & 3 & -1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 & 3 & -1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 & -1 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

# Unnormalized Laplacian Matrix



$\lambda$	0	0.278	1.11	2.31	3.46	4	4.82
$V$	$1/\sqrt{8}$	-0.36	0.08	0.10	0.28	0.25	$1/\sqrt{2}$
	$1/\sqrt{8}$	-0.42	0.18	0.64	-0.38	0.25	0
	$1/\sqrt{8}$	-0.20	-0.11	0.61	0.03	-0.25	0
	$1/\sqrt{8}$	-0.36	0.08	0.10	0.28	0.25	$-1/\sqrt{2}$
	$1/\sqrt{8}$	0.17	-0.37	0.21	-0.54	-0.25	0
	$1/\sqrt{8}$	0.36	-0.08	-0.10	-0.28	0.75	0
	$1/\sqrt{8}$	0.31	-0.51	-0.36	-0.56	0.56	0
	$1/\sqrt{8}$	0.50	0.73	0.08	0.11	0.11	0

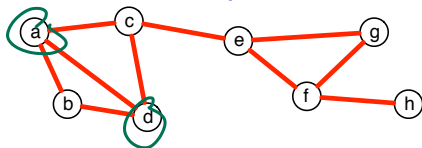
3 eigen values

eigen vectors

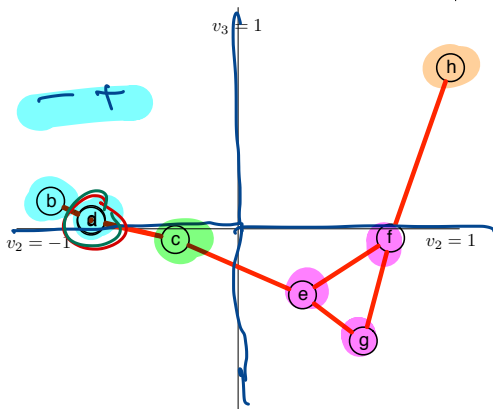
$V_2$

Fiedler vector | How best to map to 1dim

# Unnormalized Laplacian Matrix



$\lambda$	0.278	1.11	
$v_1$	-0.36	0.08	a
	-0.42	0.18	b
	-0.20	-0.11	c
	-0.36	0.08	d
	0.17	-0.37	e
	0.36	-0.08	f
	0.31	-0.51	g
	0.50	0.73	h
	$v_2$	$v_3$	



# Affinity Matrix

$A = \text{Adjacency Matrix}$       $A_{ij} = 1$  if  $e_{ij} \in E$   
0 otherwise.

$e_{ij} \in E$  if  $i$  "follows"  $j$   
or  $j$  "follows"  $i$

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Affinity Matrix

$A_{ij} \in [0, 1]$

$$A_{ij} = \text{sim}(x_i, x_j)$$

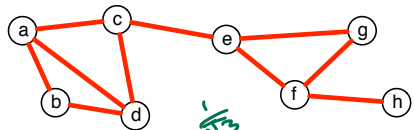
not connected  $\uparrow$

✓ very connected

$$L_0 = D - A$$

$$D_{ii} = \sum_{j=1}^n A_{ij}$$

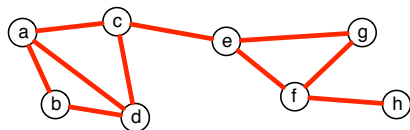
# Laplacian Matrix



$$D^{-1/2} = \begin{pmatrix} 0.577 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0.707 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0.577 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0.577 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0.577 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0.577 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0.707 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Handwritten annotations:  $\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$  above the first row,  $\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$  above the second and third rows, and  $\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$  to the right of the last row.

# Laplacian Matrix

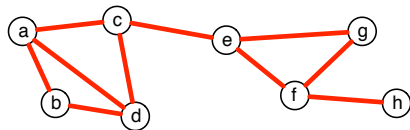


normalized Laplacian

$$L = I - D^{-1/2} A D^{-1/2} = D^{-1/2} L D^{-1/2}$$

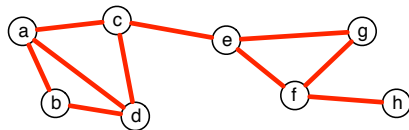
$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & -0.408 & -0.333 & -0.333 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -0.408 & 1 & 0 & -0.408 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -0.333 & 0 & 1 & -0.333 & -0.333 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -0.333 & -0.408 & -0.333 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -0.333 & 0 & 1 & -0.333 & -0.408 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -0.333 & 1 & -0.408 & -0.577 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -0.408 & -0.408 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -0.577 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

# Laplacian Matrix

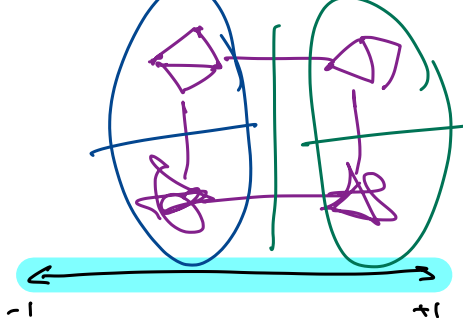


eigenvectors of  $L$

# Laplacian Matrix



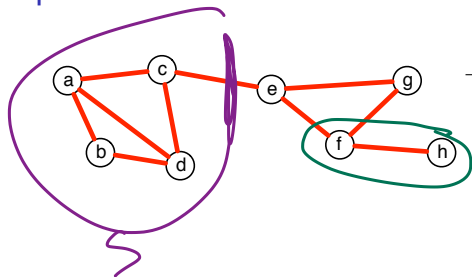
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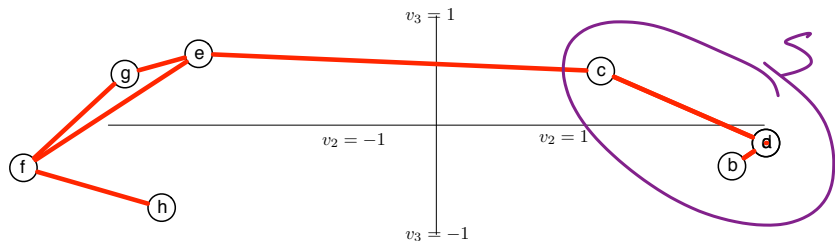
$\lambda$	0	<b>0.125</b>	0.724	1.00	1.33	1.42	1.66	1.73
$V$	-.39	<b>0.38</b>	-.09	0.00	0.71	0.26	-.32	0.16
	-.32	<b>0.36</b>	-.27	0.50	0.00	-.51	0.38	-.18
	-.39	<b>0.18</b>	0.36	-.61	0.00	0.03	0.47	-.29
	-.39	<b>0.38</b>	-.09	0.00	-.71	0.26	-.32	0.16
	-.39	<b>-.28</b>	0.48	0.00	0.00	-.57	0.31	0.33
	-.39	<b>-.48</b>	-.29	0.00	0.00	0.05	-.31	-.65
	-.31	<b>-.36</b>	0.27	0.50	0.00	0.51	0.38	-.18
	-.22	<b>-.32</b>	-.61	-.35	0.00	-.07	0.27	0.51



# Laplacian Matrix



$\lambda$	<b>0.125</b>	0.724	
$V$	0.38	-.09	<i>a</i>
	0.36	-.27	<i>b</i>
	0.18	0.36	<i>c</i>
	0.38	-.09	<i>d</i>
	-.28	0.48	<i>e</i>
	-.48	-.29	<i>f</i>
	-.36	0.27	<i>g</i>
	-.32	-.61	<i>h</i>
	$v_2$	$v_3$	



$$\leftarrow v_2 \cdot \frac{1}{\lambda_2}$$

