Linear Algebra Review & Recent Progress

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- Why should I care?
- System of Linear Equations
- Eigen-decomposition

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2 Eigen-decomposition: given matrix $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$, find eigen-pair²(λ, \mathbf{v}), where $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$ and $\mathbf{v} \in \mathbb{R}^{n}$, such that

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$$\min_{\mathbf{x}} \|\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{H}\mathbf{x}\|_2^2 + \lambda \|\mathbf{A}\mathbf{x}\|_2^2$$
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$$\Rightarrow \left(\mathbf{H}^{\top}\mathbf{H} + \lambda \mathbf{A}^{\top}\mathbf{A}\right)\mathbf{x}^{*} = \mathbf{H}^{\top}\mathbf{y}$$
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• Compute graph frequencies ⁴:

Define variation operator Φ on graph, e.g., graph Laplacian matrix L:

$$\mathbf{L} = \mathbf{D} - \mathbf{W} \tag{11}$$



Compute Fourier modes for L via eigen-decomposition.

$$\mathbf{L} = \mathbf{V} \mathbf{\Lambda} \mathbf{V}^{\top} \tag{12}$$

where **V** contains eigenvectors $\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \ldots$ as columns, and $\mathbf{A} = \operatorname{diag}(\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \ldots)$.

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- Cosines are eigenfunctions of differential operator:
 - Construct graph Laplacian L for line graph with weights 1. 2
 - Compute eigenvectors for L.

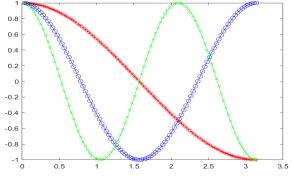


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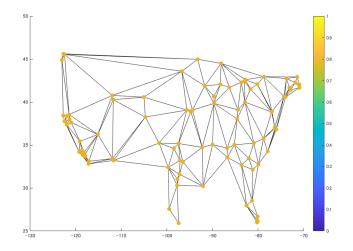


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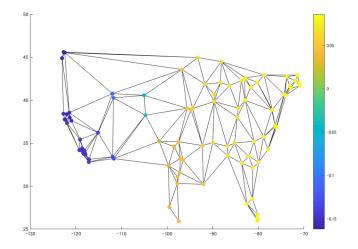


Figure: 2nd eigenvector of graph Laplacian matrix $\mathbf{L} = \mathbf{D} - \mathbf{W}$

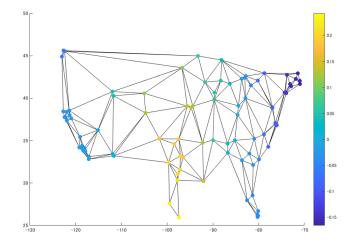


Figure: 3rd eigenvector of graph Laplacian matrix $\mathbf{L} = \mathbf{D} - \mathbf{W}$

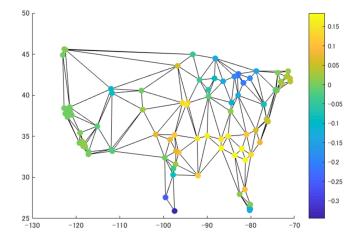


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Compute a lower bound for λ_{min}(A) without computing eigen-pairs:

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locally optimal block preconditioned conjugated gradient (LOBPCG) method ⁹:

- Compute extreme eigen-pairs for symmetric, PD matrices.
- Cost per iteration competitive with Lanczos.
- Can directly take advantage of preconditioning.
- Can benefit from warm start.

• Linear algebra solves:

$$A \mathbf{x} = \mathbf{y} 2 A \mathbf{v} = \lambda \mathbf{v}.$$

- Mature algorithms to solve $\mathbf{A}\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{y}$ using Krylov methods.
- Fast algorithms to find extreme eigen-pairs $(\lambda_i, \mathbf{v}_i)$.
- \bullet New algorithms to find tight lower bounds for $\lambda_{\text{min}}.$