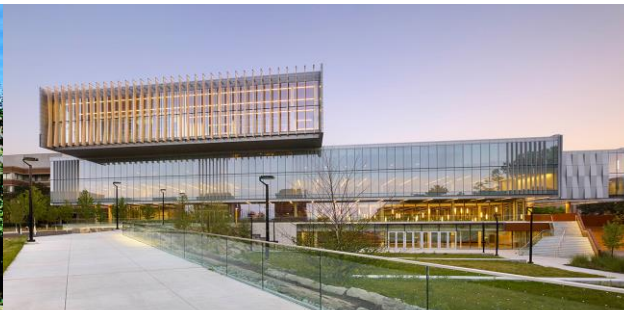




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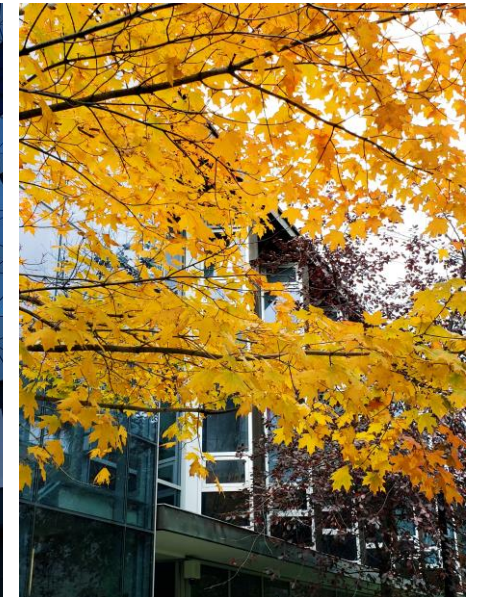
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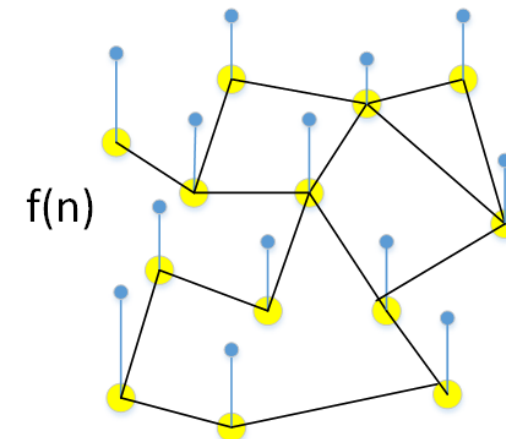
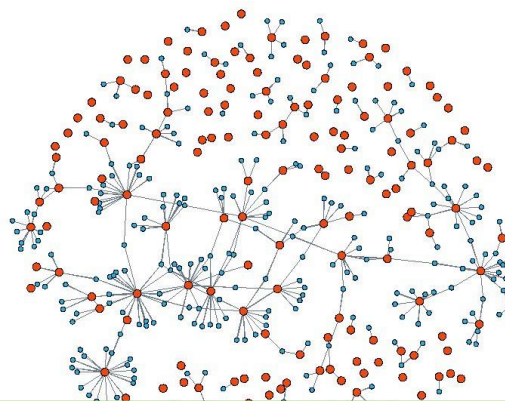
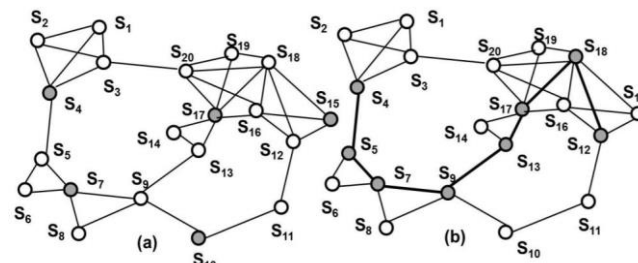
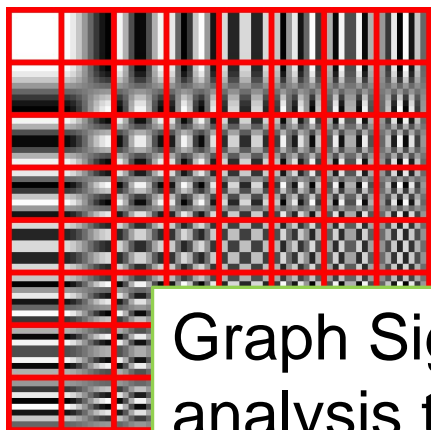
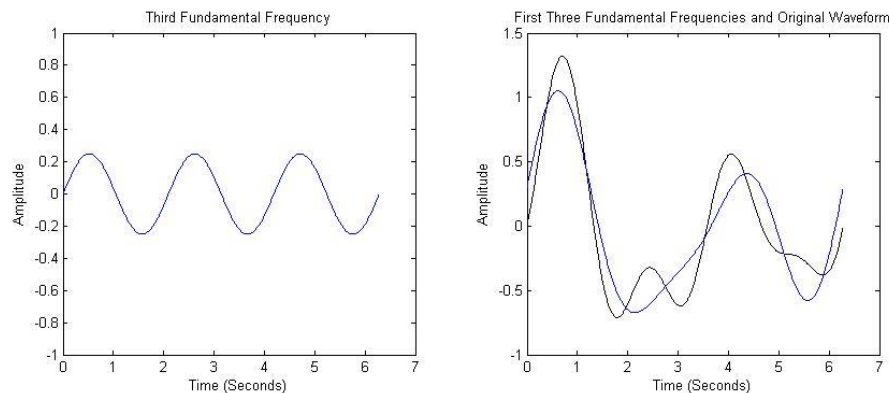
Frequency analysis

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Graph kernels

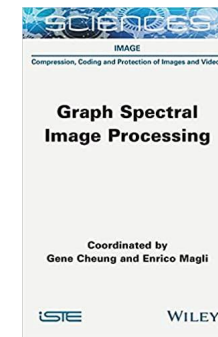
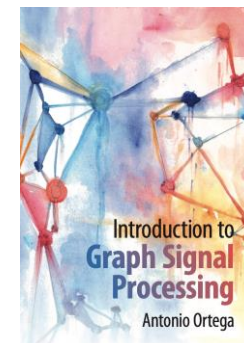
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Graph Signal Processing



signal on graph kernel

Graph Signal Processing (GSP) studies spectral analysis tools for signals residing on graphs.



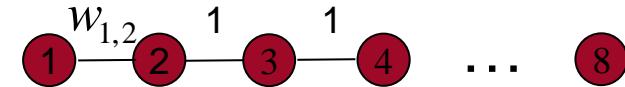
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Graph Spectrum

Graph Fourier modes: eigenvectors of *graph Laplacian matrix* $L = D - W$.

$$L = V \Sigma V^T$$

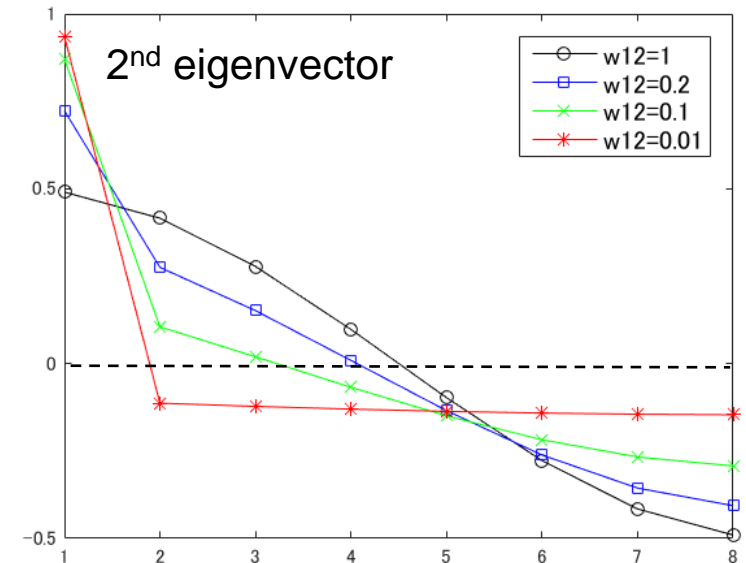
eigenvalues along diagonal (pointing to Σ)
 Graph Fourier Transform (GFT) (pointing to V^T)
 eigenvectors in columns (pointing to V)



GFT defaults to *DCT* for un-weighted connected line.

GFT defaults to *DFT* for un-weighted connected circle.

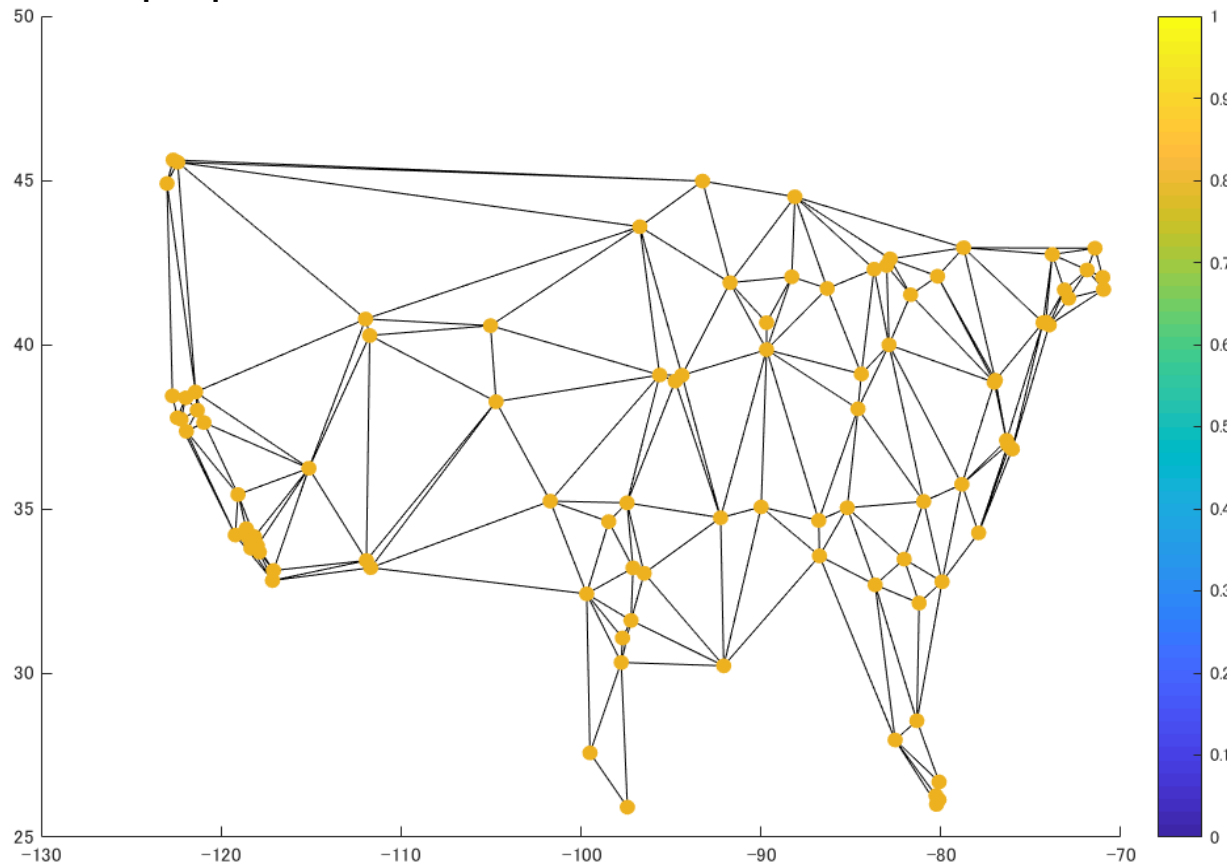
1. **Eigenvectors** are (*global*) aggregates of (*local*) edge weights.
 - More variations for larger eigenvalues.
2. **Eigenvalues** (≥ 0) as *graph frequencies*.



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Graph Frequency Examples (US Temperature)

Weather stations from 100 most populated cities.
Graph connections from Delaunay Triangulation*.
Edge weights inverse proportional to distance.



$$w_{i,j} = \exp\left(\frac{-\|l_i - l_j\|_2^2}{\sigma^2}\right)$$

location diff. \swarrow

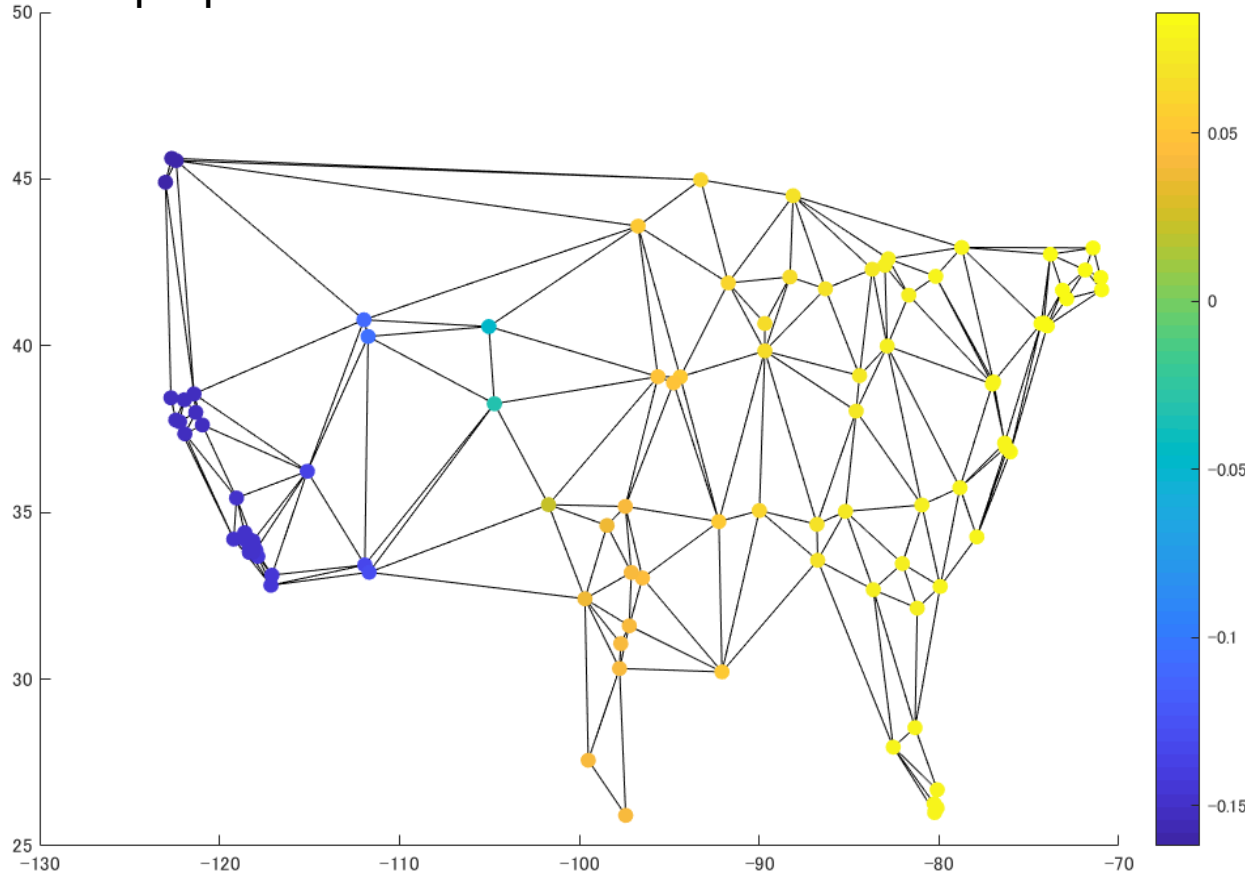
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V1: DC component

*https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Delaunay_triangulation

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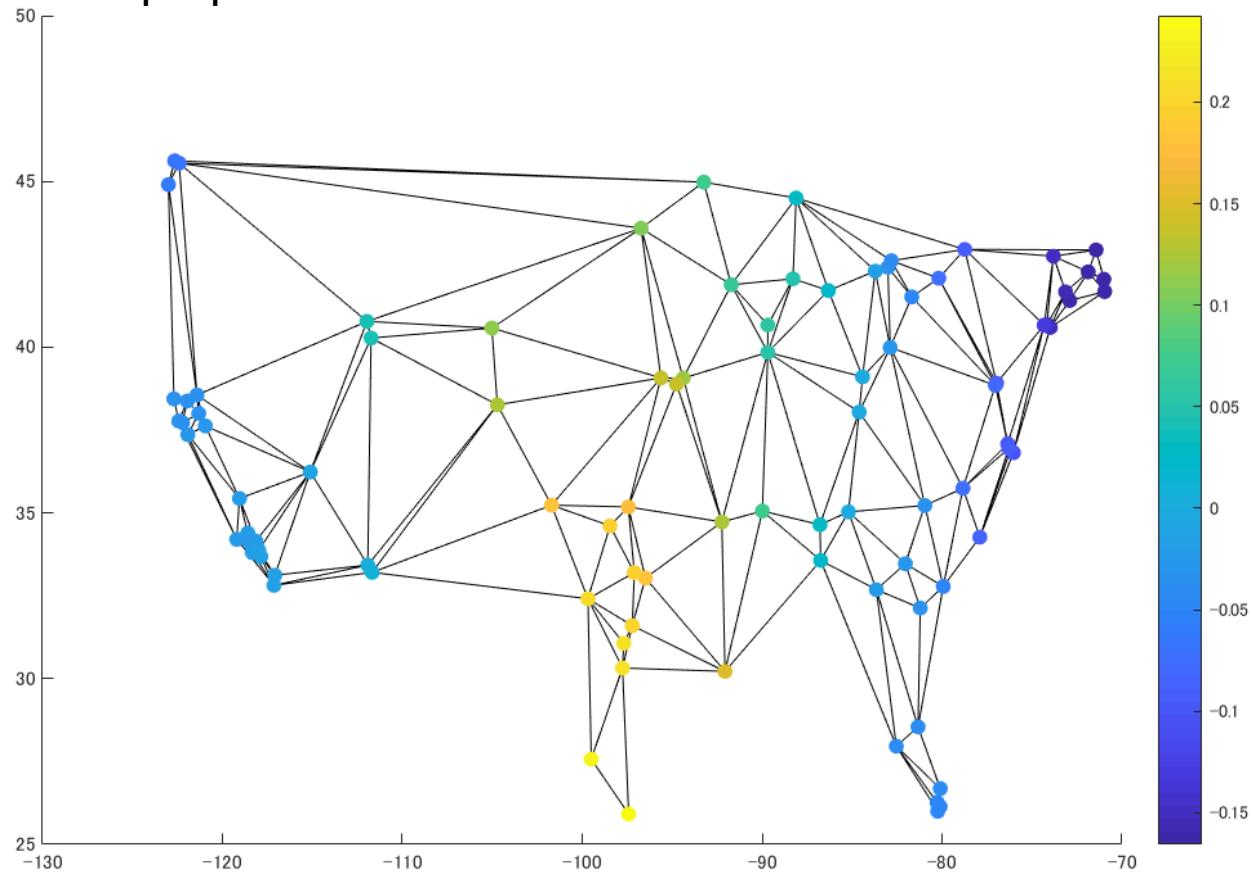
location diff. \swarrow

Edge weights

V2: 1st AC component

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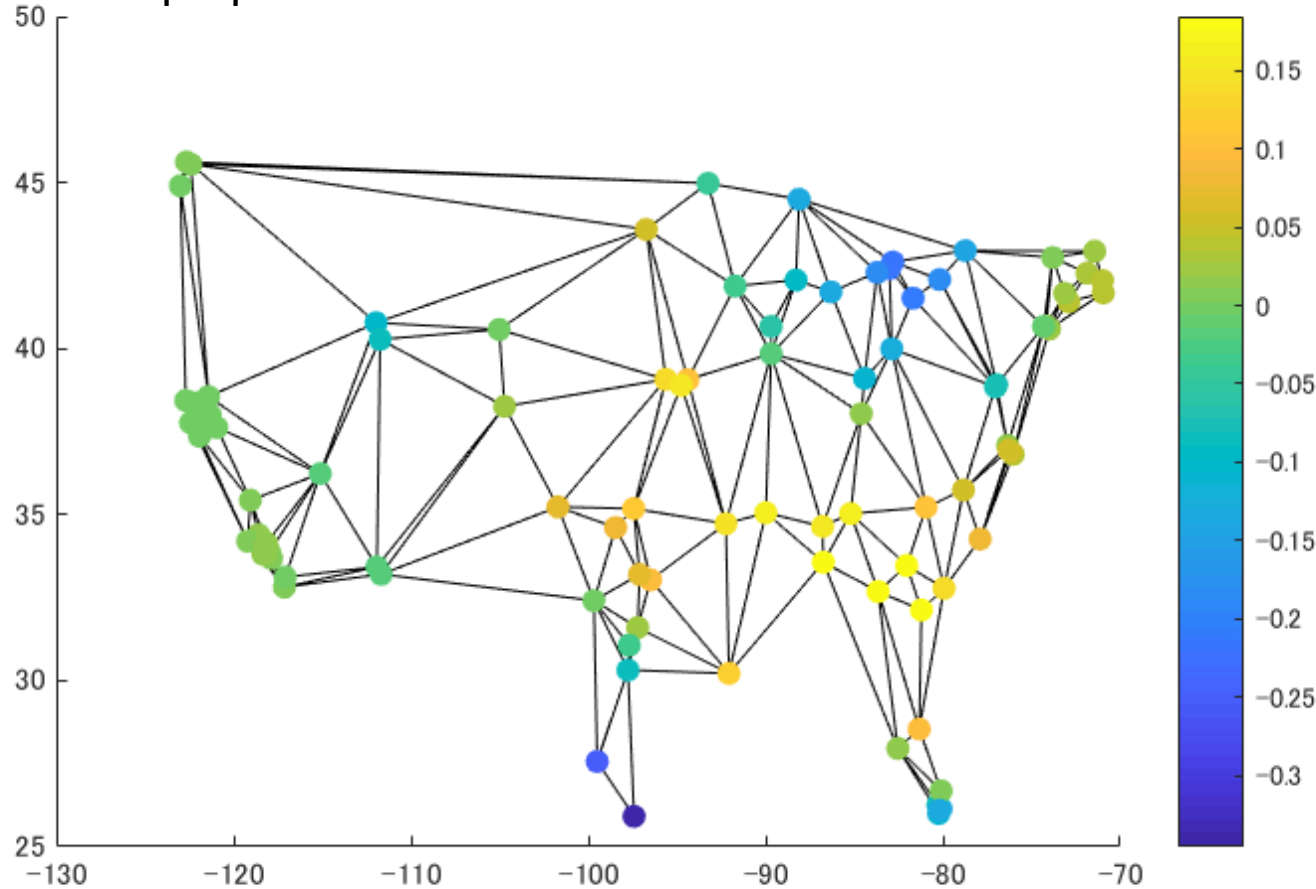
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Edge weights

V3: 2nd AC component

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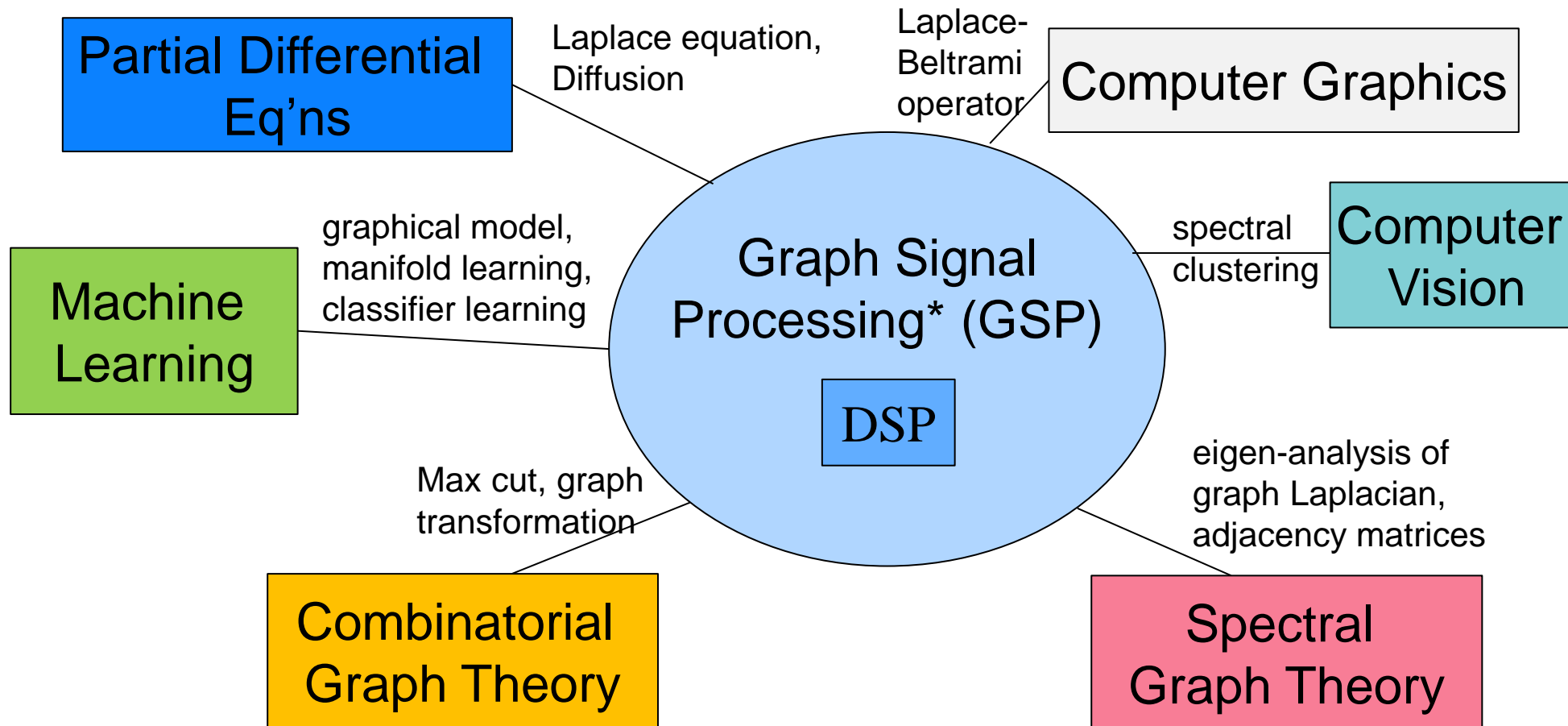
location diff. \swarrow

Edge weights

V4: 9th AC component

GSP and Graph-related Research

GSP: SP framework that unifies concepts from multiple fields.



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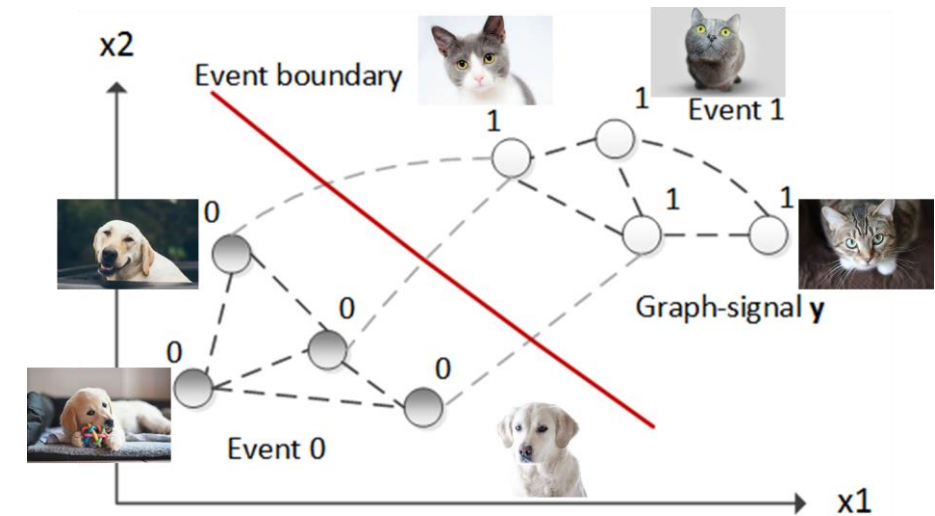
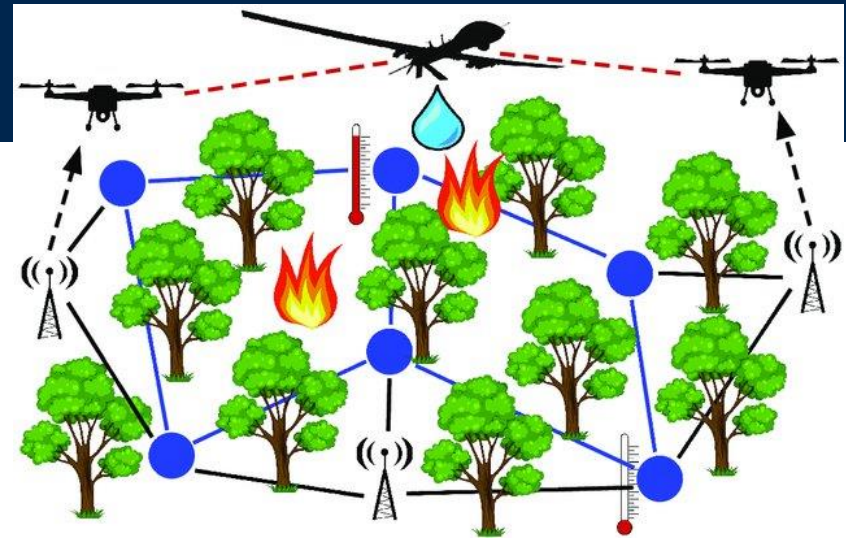
What is a good graph?

- Graph captures *pairwise relationships*.

1. Domain knowledge.
2. Correlations.
3. Feature distance.

- Graph Learning from Data:**

1. Learn sparse **inverse covariance matrix** from observations [1].
 - Graphical Lasso, CLIME.
2. Learn metric to determine **feature distance** [2].



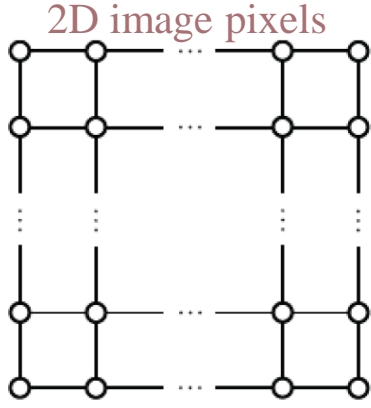
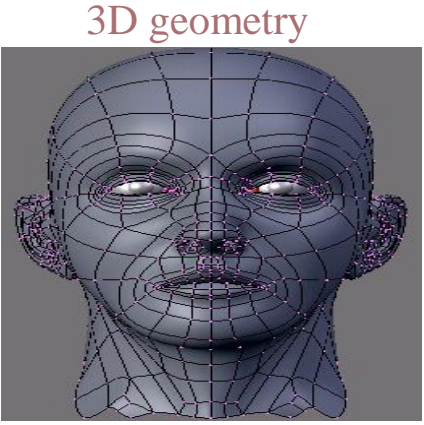
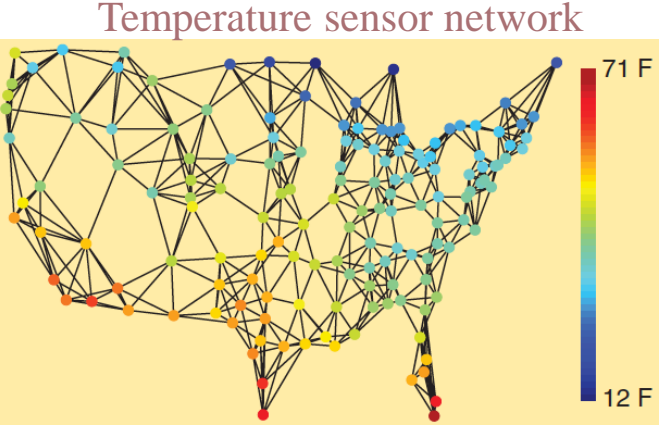
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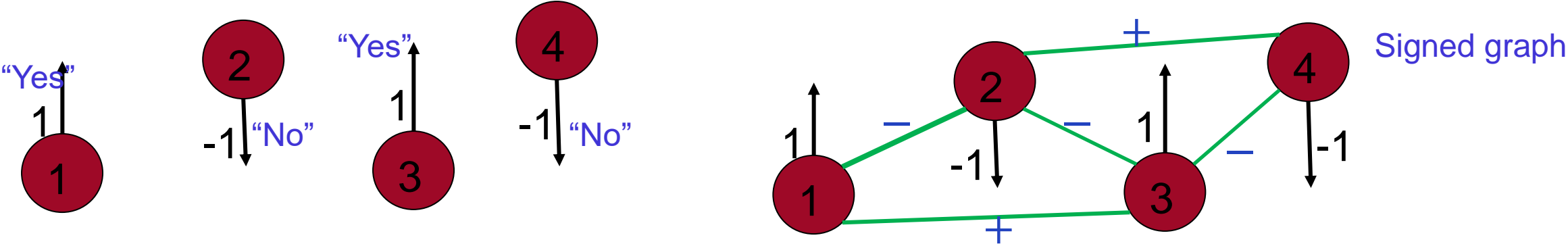


Signed Graphs

- Previous works designed for **positive graphs**.



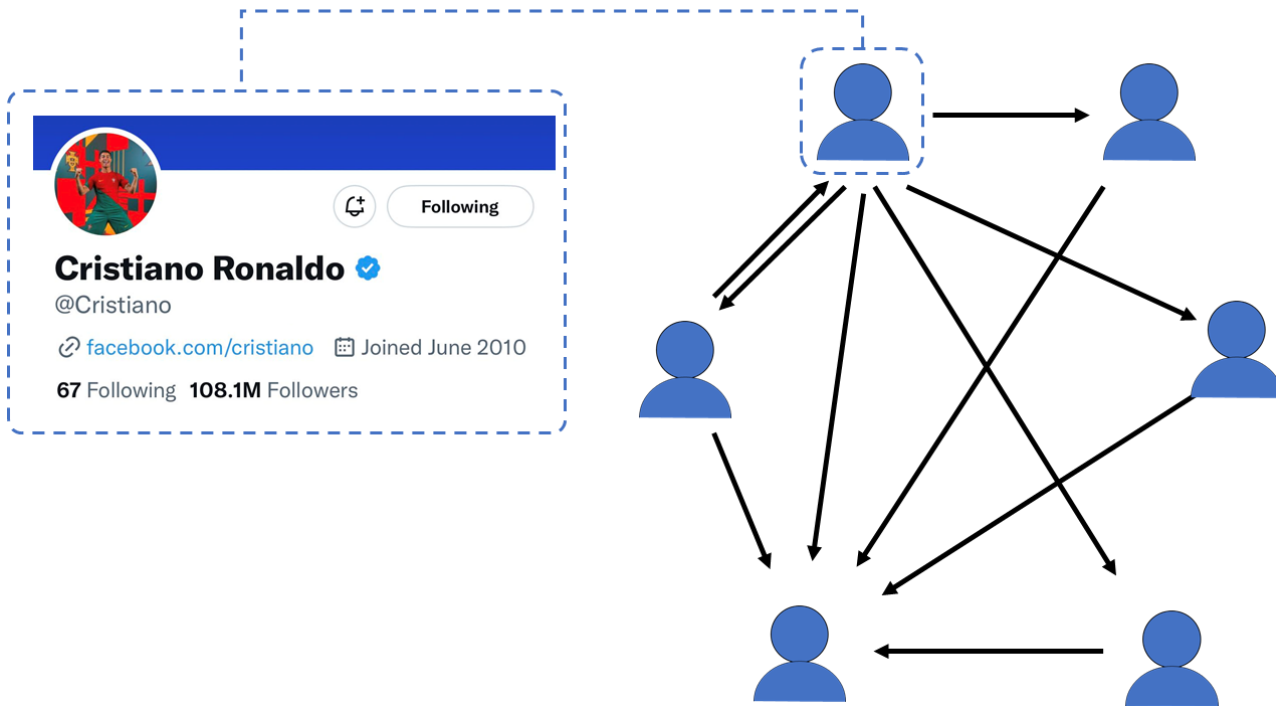
- Voting records in a Parliament \longrightarrow **anti-correlation** represented as **negative edges** [1].



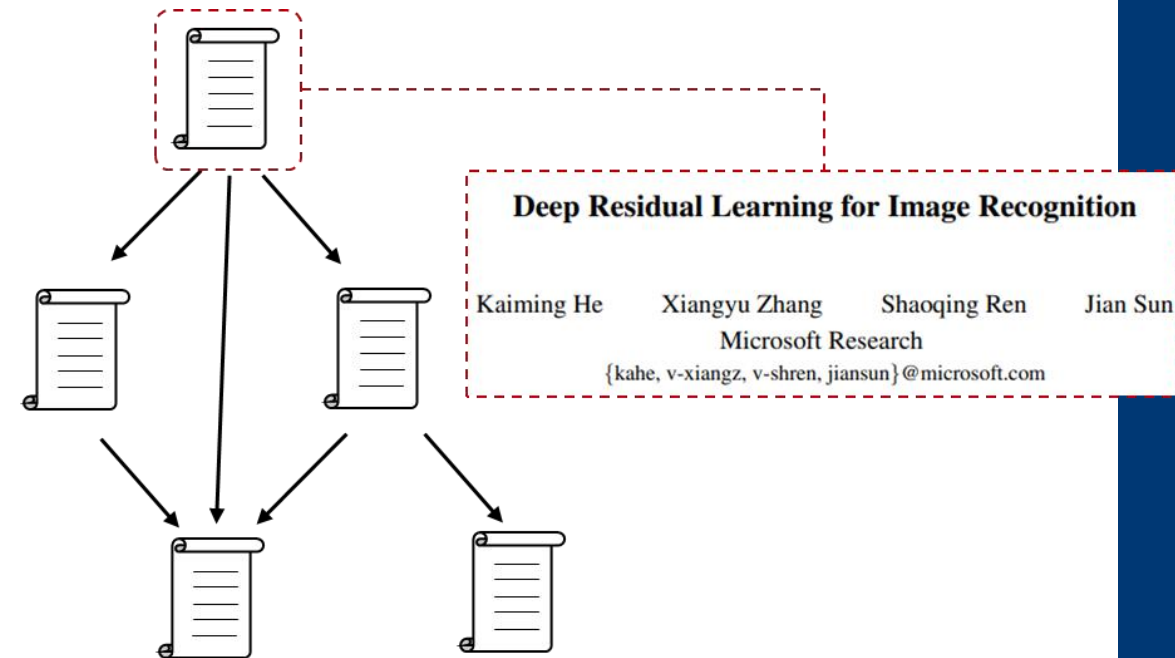
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Directed Graphs

(a) Following Network in Twitter



(b) Paper Citation Network



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Sparse Precision Matrix Estimation: GLASSO

- Given *empirical covariance matrix* Σ , **Graphical Lasso** computes positive-definite (PD) *precision matrix* Θ :

$$\max_{\Theta} \log \det \Theta - \text{Tr}(\Sigma \Theta) - \rho \|\Theta\|_1$$

- 1st and 2nd terms are *likelihood*.
- 3rd term promotes **sparsity**.
- Solved via **block coordinate descent** (BCD) algorithm.

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Graph Laplacian Estimation

- Assume **precision matrix** is:
 - **Generalized graph Laplacian** (GGLs),
 - **Diagonally dominant generalized graph Laplacian** (DDGLs), or
 - **Combinatorial graph Laplacian** (CGLs).

NOTE: Interpret precision matrix as graph Laplacian

- Given *empirical covariance matrix* \mathbf{S} , computes *Laplacian* Θ :

$$\min_{\Theta} \text{Tr}(\Theta \mathbf{K}) - \log \det \Theta \quad \text{subject to} \quad \Theta \in \mathcal{L}_g(A)$$

- $\mathbf{K} = \mathbf{S} + \mathbf{H}$, \mathbf{H} is regularization matrix.
- $\mathcal{L}_g(A)$ ensures Θ is GGL.
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Graph Laplacian Estimation w/ Eigen-Structure Constraint

- **Key Assumption:** graph Laplacian matrix \mathbf{L} has chosen first K eigenvectors.

1. Side info to derive first K e-vectors.
2. Fast computation of first K e-vectors.
3. Desire eigen-structure.

- Define **convex cone** \mathcal{H}_u^+ of PSD matrices with same first K eigenvectors.
- Design **projection operator** to \mathcal{H}_u^+ inspired by **Gram-Schmidt procedure**.
- Given *empirical covariance matrix* $\bar{\mathbf{C}}$, computes *graph Laplacian* \mathbf{L} :

$$\min_{\mathbf{L} \in \mathcal{H}_u^+} \text{Tr}(\mathbf{L}\bar{\mathbf{C}}) - \log \det \mathbf{L} + \rho \|\mathbf{L}\|_1$$

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Graph Laplacian Estimation for Complex Graph Signals

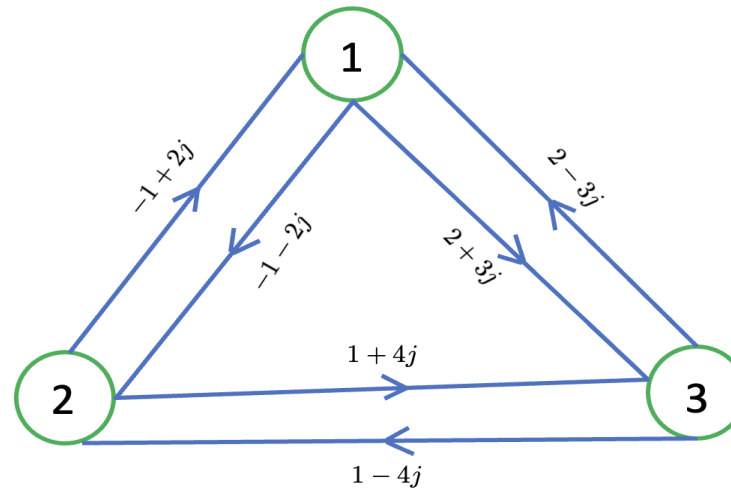
- **Complex graph signal**: each node i has complex value $x_i \in \mathbb{C}$.
- **Hermitian Graph**: *directed graph* with complex conjugate weights on opposite directed edges between each node-pair.
 - *Hermitian* adjacency, graph Laplacian matrices, w/ REAL eigenvalues (frequencies).

- **Complex graph Laplacian Learning** (generalize CLIME):

- Linear program to solve:

$$\min_{\mathbf{P}} \|\mathbf{P}\|_1, \quad \text{s.t. } \|\mathbf{CP} - \mathbf{I}_N\|_\infty \leq \rho$$

- Define auxiliary var. to account for real-/imaginary-parts.



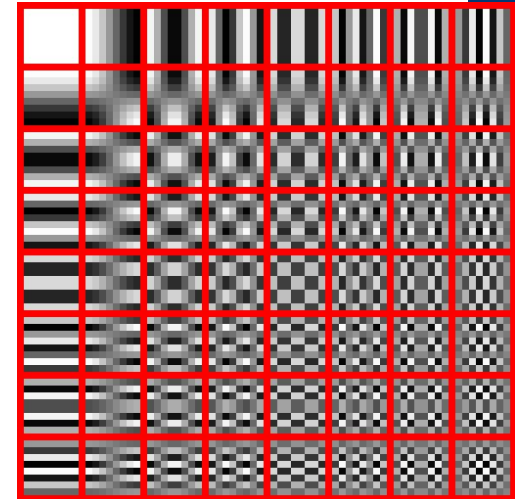
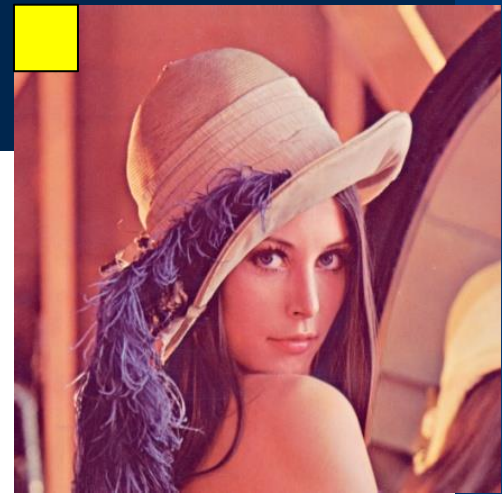
$$\mathcal{L} = \begin{bmatrix} 6 & 1+2j & -2-3j \\ 1-2j & 8 & -1-4j \\ -2+3j & -1+4j & 5 \end{bmatrix}$$

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[2] T. Cai, W. Liu, and X. Luo, "A constrained L1 minimization approach to sparse precision matrix estimation," *Journal of the American Statistical Association*, vol. 106, no. 494, pp. 594–607, 2011.

Application: Image Coding

- **Transform Coding** is integral component in image compression.
- **Problem:** **DCT** is *fixed* transform and does not adapt locally.
- **Existing Work 1:** **Asymmetric Discrete Sine Transform (ADST)** fits better prediction residuals [1].
- **Existing Work 2:** **Karhunen-Loeve transform (KLT)** adapts well iff \exists reliable empirical covariance matrix $\bar{\mathbf{C}}$ [2].

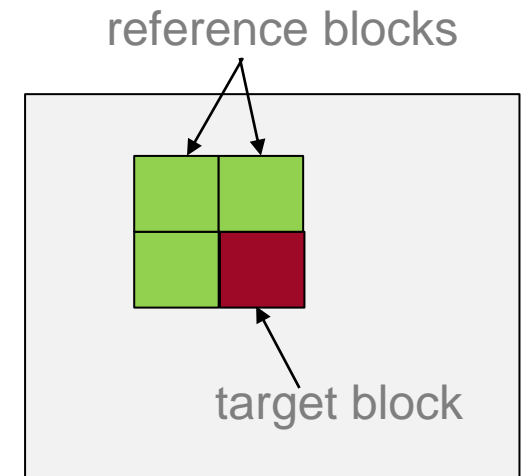


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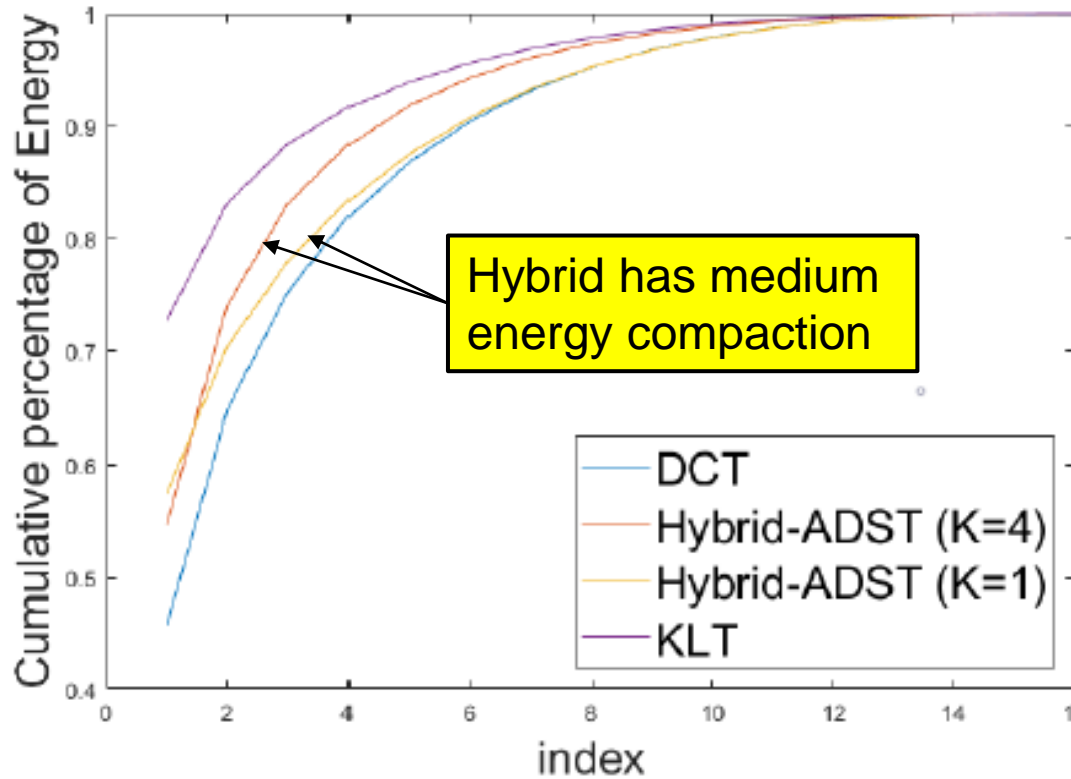
- **Key Idea:** derive first K e-vectors from model, compute $N-K$ e-vectors from data.
- **Advantages:**
 1. Reduce degree of freedom when empirical covariance $\bar{\mathbf{C}}$ is unreliable.
 2. Parameter K is tunable depending on covariance reliability.
 3. Reduce computation cost for first K transform coefficients.
- **Disadvantage:**
 1. Larger computation cost than DCT.



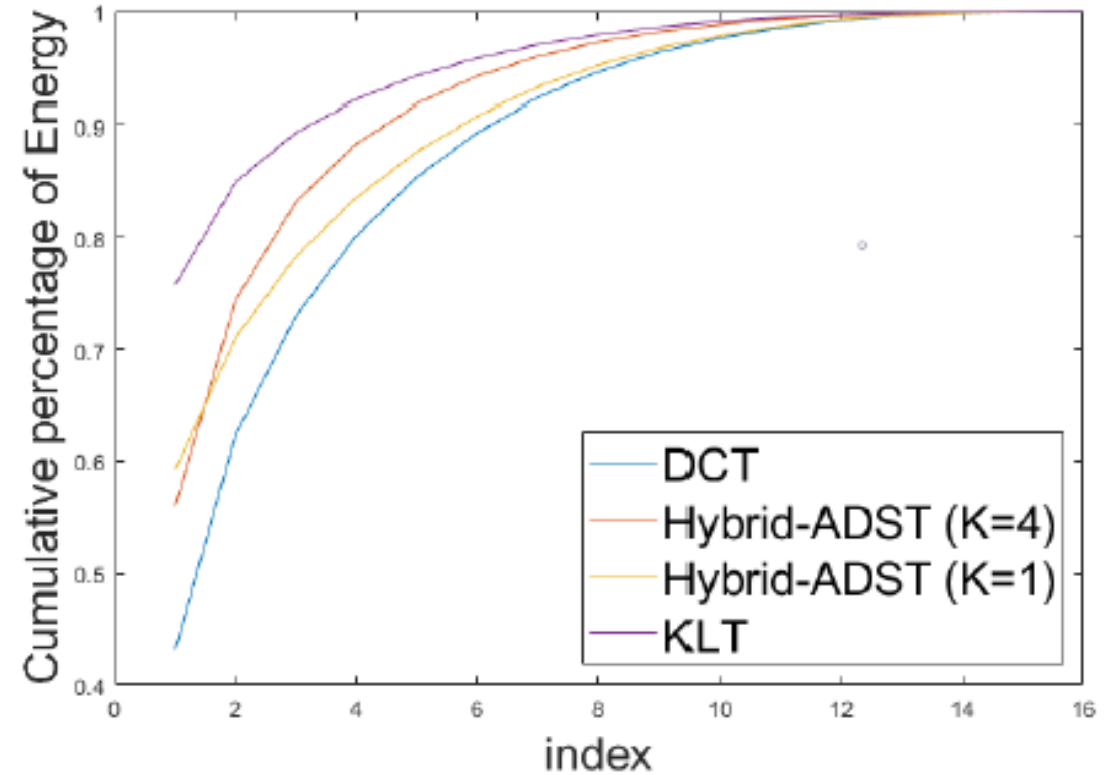
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Image Coding: results (energy compaction)

- **Setting:** WebP image codec [1]. DC4 intra-prediction mode. Improve prediction residual coding of 4x4 block over default DCT.



(a) Airplane



(b) Pepper

[1] <https://developers.google.com/speed/webp>

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- Denoising has simplest formation model $\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{x} + \mathbf{z}$, thus formulation

$$\min_{\mathbf{x}} \|\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{x}\|_2^2 + \mu \mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{L} \mathbf{x}$$

$$(\mathbf{I} + \mu \mathbf{L}) \mathbf{x}^* = \mathbf{y}$$

$$\mathbf{x}^* = (\mathbf{I} + \mu \mathbf{L})^{-1} \mathbf{y}$$

$$\mathbf{x}^* = \mathbf{V} \text{diag}(1 + \mu \lambda_1, 1 + \mu \lambda_2, \dots)^{-1} \mathbf{V}^T \mathbf{y}$$

low-pass filter!

$$\mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{L} \mathbf{x} = \sum_{(i,j) \in E} w_{i,j} (x_i - x_j)^2 = \sum_k \lambda_k \tilde{x}_k^2$$

smooth signal low-pass signal

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pixel intensity diff.

pixel location diff.

$$w_{i,j} = \exp\left(\frac{-\|x_i - x_j\|_2^2}{\sigma_1^2}\right) \exp\left(\frac{-\|l_i - l_j\|_2^2}{\sigma_2^2}\right)$$

Bilateral filter weights

- To promote **Piecewise Smoothness** (PWS), $\mathbf{L}(\mathbf{x})$ is **signal-dependent**:
 - Fix \mathbf{L} and solve unconstrained QP each iteration.

$$\min_{\mathbf{x}} \|\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{x}\|_2^2 + \mu \mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{L}(\mathbf{x}) \mathbf{x}$$

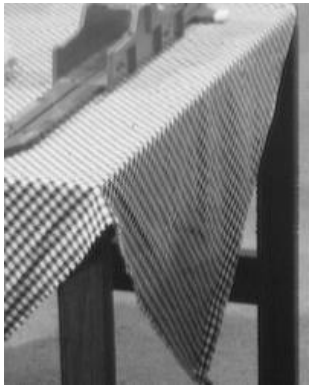
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OGLR Denoising Results: visual comparison

- Subjective comparisons ($\sigma_1 = 40$)



Original



Noisy, 16.48 dB



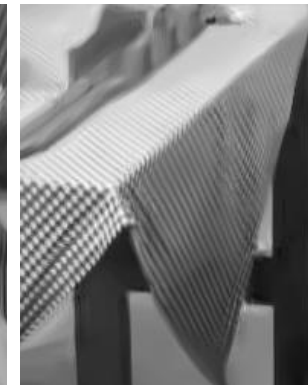
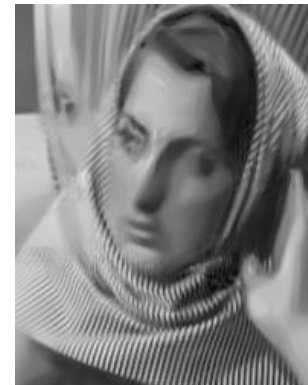
K-SVD, 26.84 dB



BM3D, 27.99 dB



PLOW, 28.11 dB

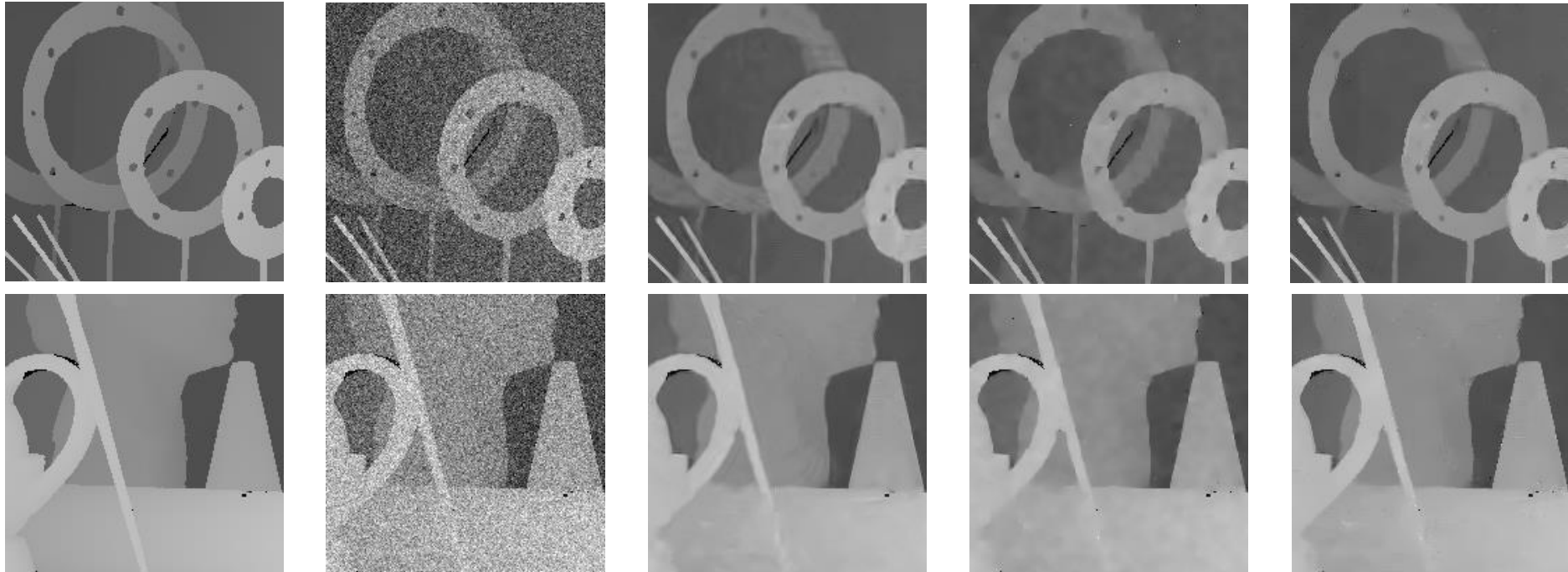


OGLR, 28.35 dB

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Original

Noisy, 18.66 dB

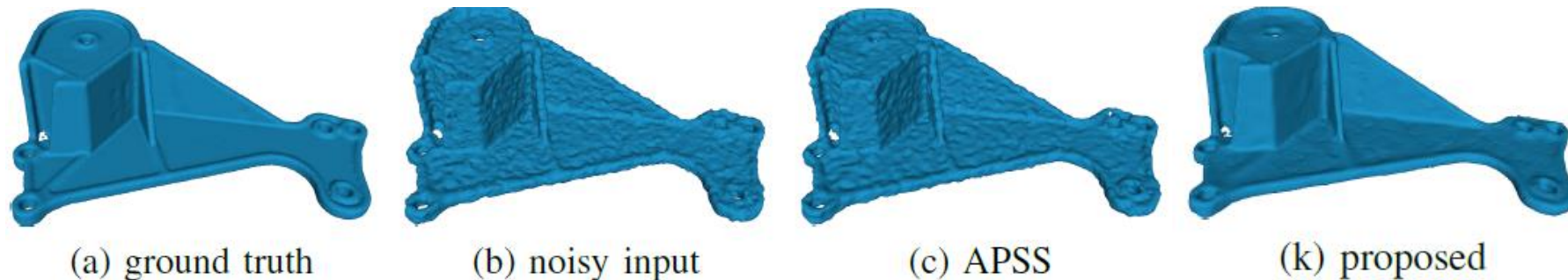
BM3D, 33.26 dB

NLGBT, 33.41dB

OGLR, 34.32 dB

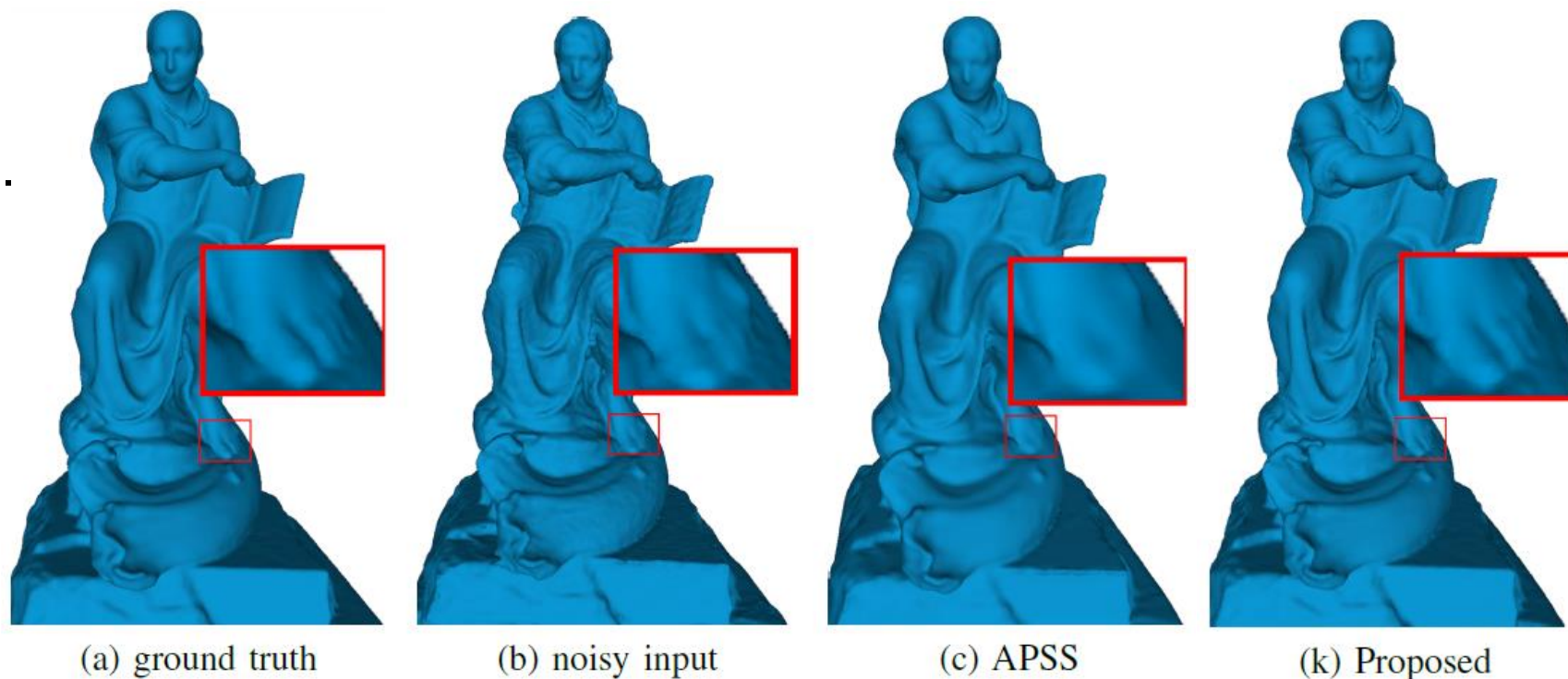
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Point Cloud Denoising: Graph filter design



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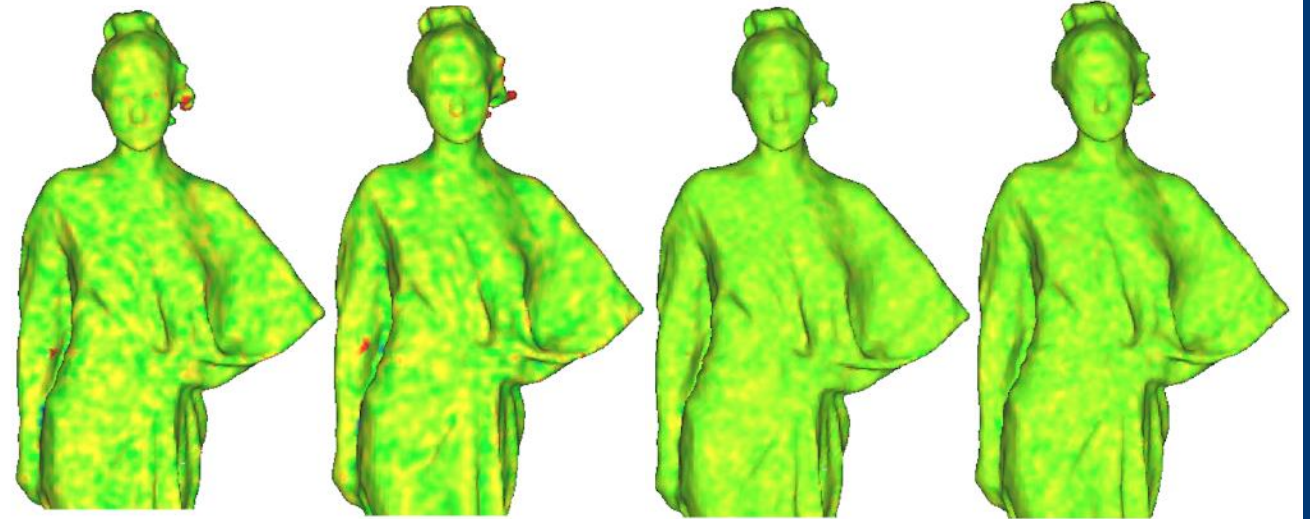
- Construct similarity graph based on surface normals.
- Optimize graph filter based on noise statistics.



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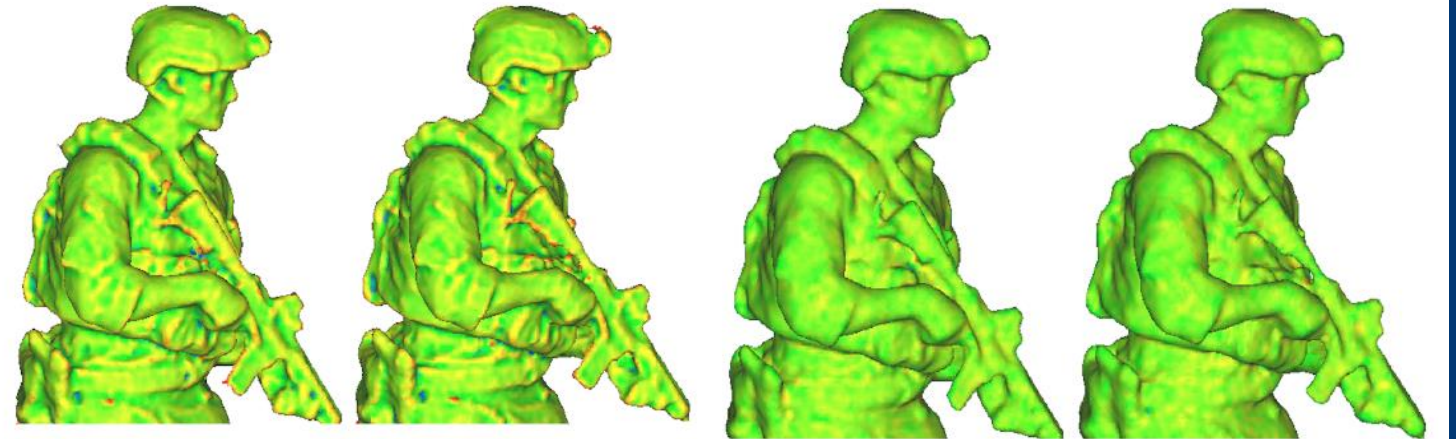
Point Cloud Video Super-Resolution

- **Problem:** Acquired point cloud video has low point density.
- **Solution:**
 - Find similar 3D patches in consecutive frames.
 - Super-resolve patches in consecutive frames via GLR.



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(d) SR-TF

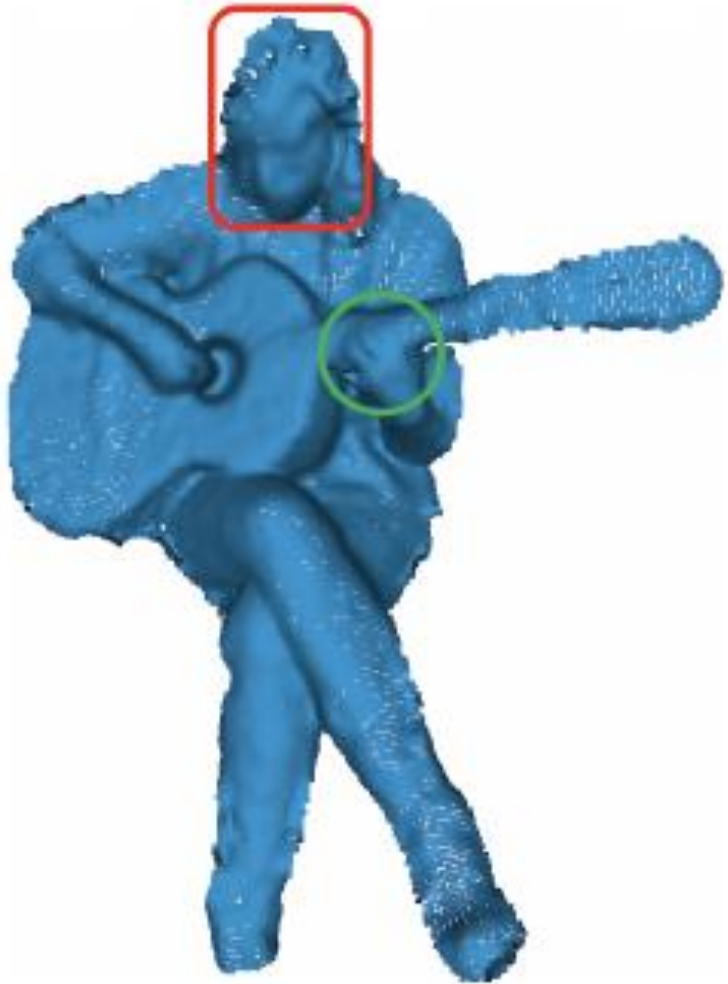


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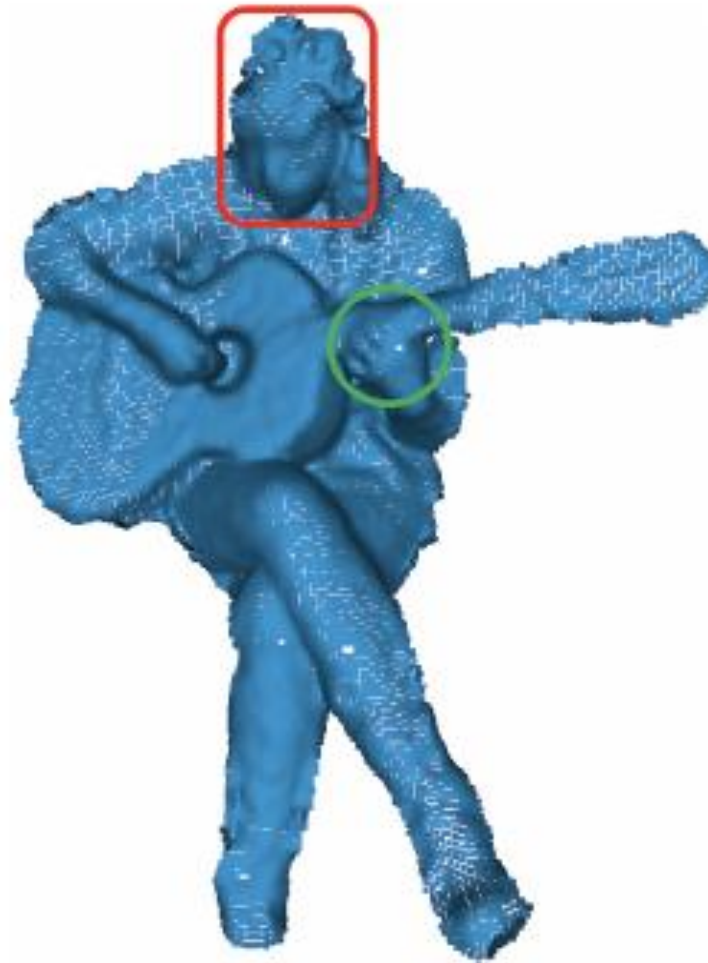
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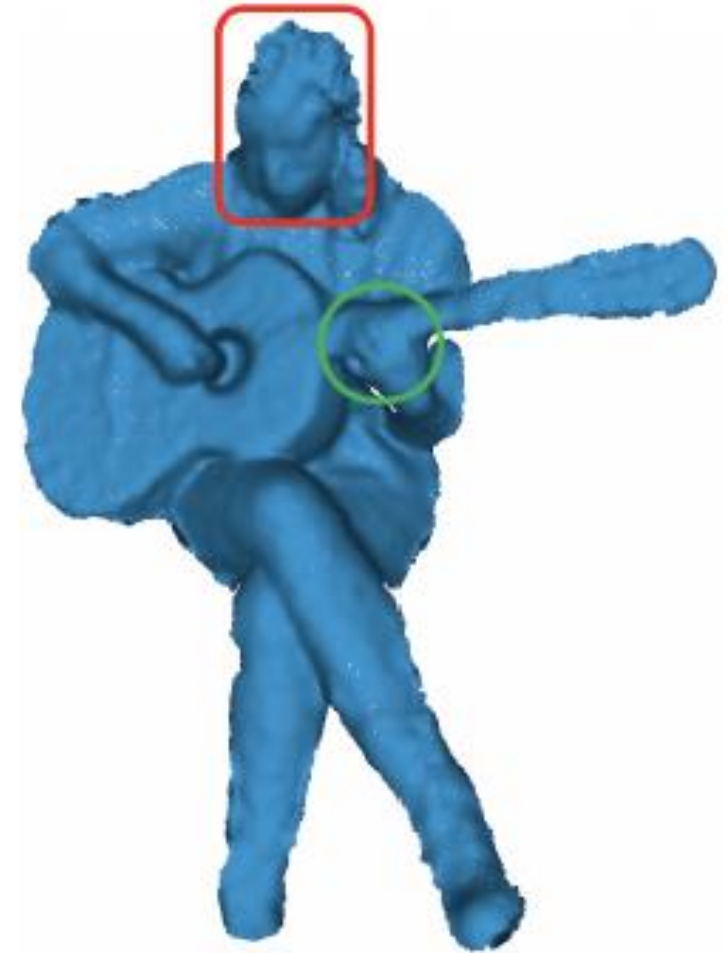
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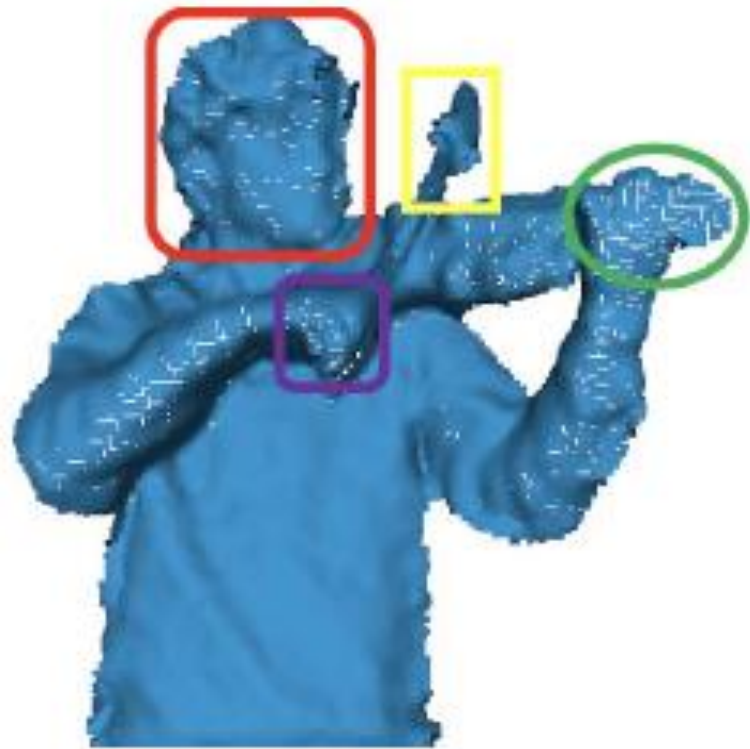
(c) MCA+RIMLS



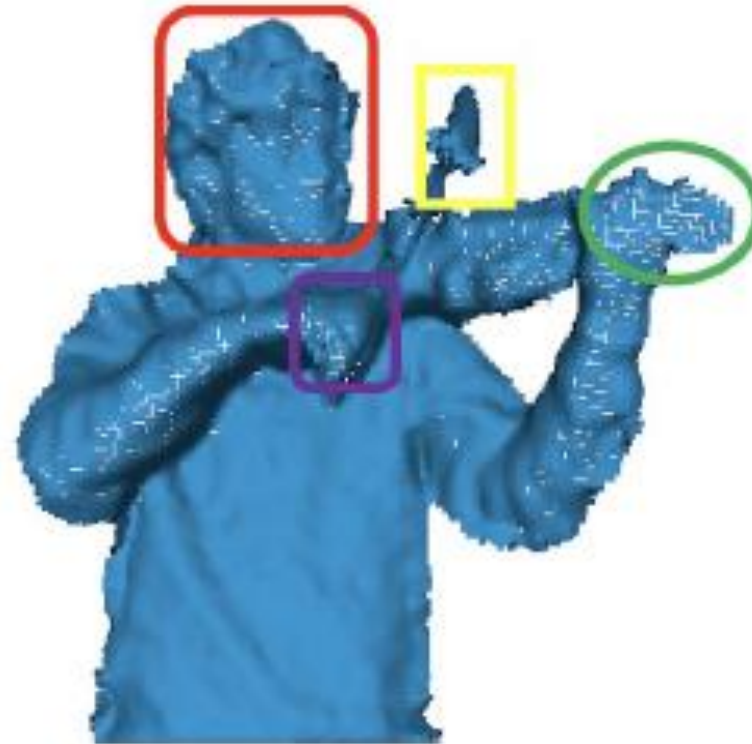
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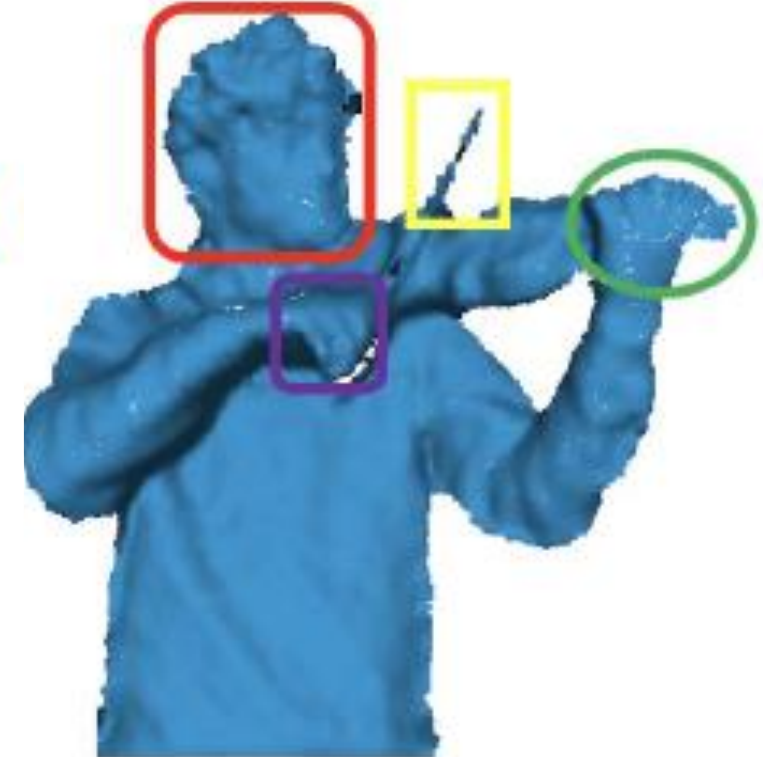
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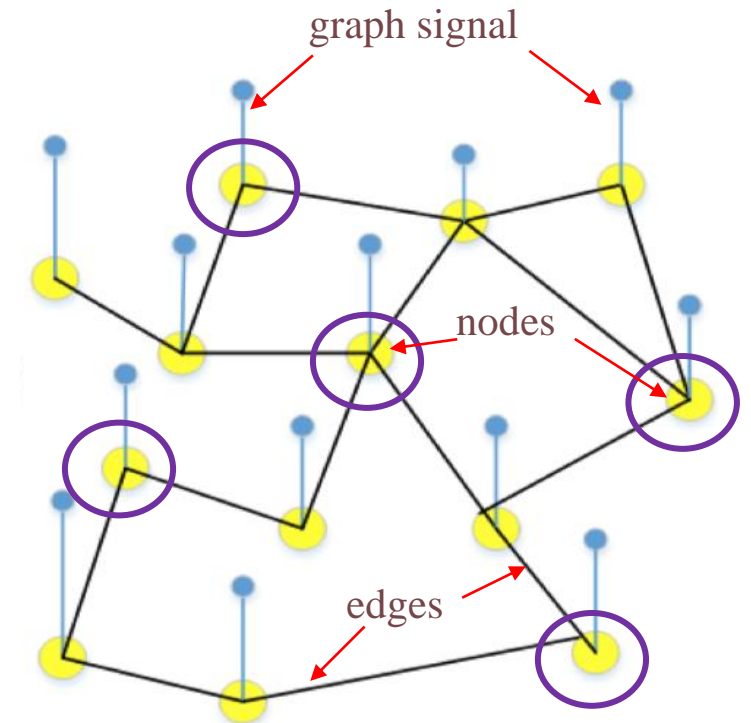
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Motivation: graph sampling

Graph sampling [1]: Choose a node subset, so that the entire signal can be reconstructed.

- Graph sampling strategies extend **Nyquist sampling** to graph data kernel.
- Bandlimited or smooth signal assumption.



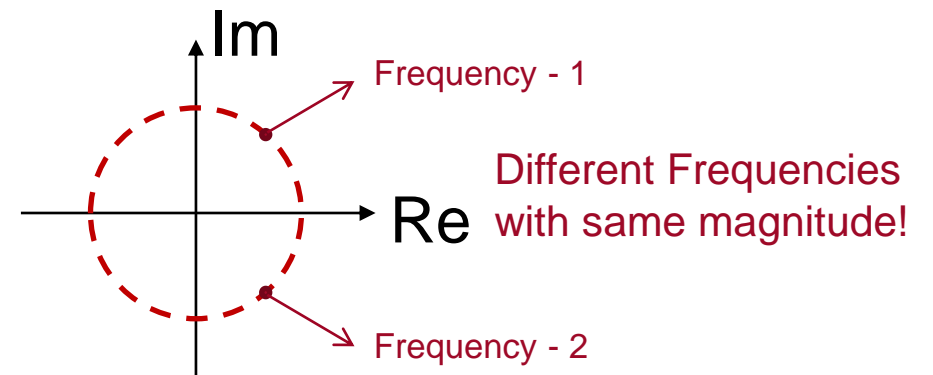
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Existing Work: graph frequencies

- Mainly focus on **undirected graph**.
 - Symmetric Graph Laplacian $\mathbf{L} = \mathbf{U}\mathbf{\Lambda}\mathbf{U}^T$
- Categories
 - **Bandlimited prior**^[1-3]: $\mathbf{x} = \sum_{i=1}^M \tilde{x}_i \mathbf{u}_i$
 - **Smoothness prior**^[4-5]: smaller $\mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{L} \mathbf{x}$

Not obvious for directed graphs!

- Directed graph \rightarrow **Asymmetric L**
- Complex graph frequency



- Meaningless quadratic form $\mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{L} \mathbf{x}$

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Existing Work: computation

Existing graph sampling methods

Eigen-decomposition-based methods [1,2]

Computational expensive

eigen-decomposition-free methods

Spectral proxies (SP) [3]

Neumann series (NS) [4]

Localization operator (LO) [5]

Gershgorin disc alignment (GDA) [6]

Fast method for graph sampling!

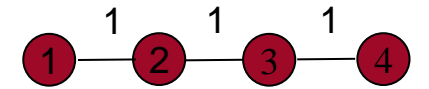
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Signal Reconstruction from Samples

- Signal Model:**

$$\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{H}\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{v}$$

observation \mathbf{y} , sampling matrix \mathbf{H} , desired signal \mathbf{x} , noise \mathbf{v}



Sample set {2, 4}

$$\mathbf{H} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

- Signal prior is **graph Laplacian regularizer (GLR):**

$$\mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{L} \mathbf{x} = \sum_{i,j} w_{i,j} (x_i - x_j)^2 = \sum_k \lambda_k \tilde{x}_k^2$$

signal smooth w.r.t. graph (pointing to $w_{i,j}$), signal contains mostly low graph freq. (pointing to \tilde{x}_k^2)

$$\mathbf{H}^T \mathbf{H} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

- MAP Formulation:**

$$\min_{\mathbf{x}} \|\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{H}\mathbf{x}\|_2^2 + \mu \mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{L} \mathbf{x}$$

fidelity term (pointing to $\|\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{H}\mathbf{x}\|_2^2$), signal prior (pointing to $\mu \mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{L} \mathbf{x}$)

$$(\mathbf{H}^T \mathbf{H} + \mu \mathbf{L}) \mathbf{x}^* = \mathbf{y}$$


linear system of eqn's solved using *conjugate gradient*

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Stability of Linear System

- Examine solution's linear system:

$$(\mathbf{H}^T \mathbf{H} + \mu \mathbf{L}) \mathbf{x}^* = \mathbf{y}$$



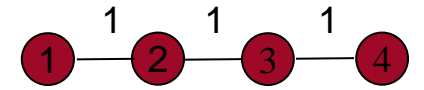
 coefficient matrix \mathbf{B}

- Stability depends on **condition number** ($\lambda_{\max} / \lambda_{\min}$) of \mathbf{B} .
- λ_{\max} is upper-bounded by $1 + \mu 2^* d_{\max}$.

Goal: select \mathbf{H} to maximize $\lambda_{\min}(\mathbf{B})$ (**E-optimality criterion**)

Also minimizes **worst-case MSE**:

$$\|\hat{\mathbf{x}} - \mathbf{x}\|_2 \leq \mu \left\| \frac{1}{\lambda_{\min}(\mathbf{B})} \right\|_2 \|\mathbf{L}(\mathbf{x} + \tilde{\mathbf{n}})\|_2 + \|\tilde{\mathbf{n}}\|_2$$



$$\mathbf{L} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 2 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 2 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{H}^T \mathbf{H} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

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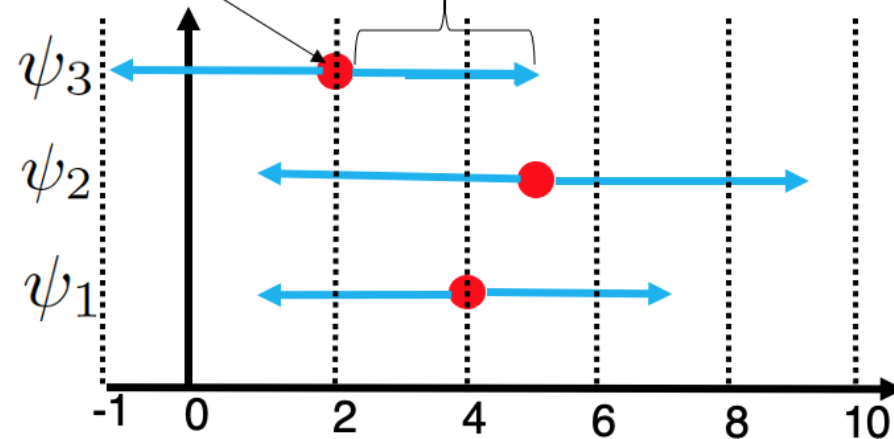
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Gershgorin Circle Theorem

- GCT relates matrix entries to bounds of eigenvalues.

Row i of matrix \mathbf{F} maps to a Gershgorin disc with centre $c_i = \mathbf{F}(i, i)$ and radius $r_i = \sum_{j \neq i} |\mathbf{F}(i, j)|$

$$\mathbf{F} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -2 & -1 \\ -2 & 5 & -2 \\ -1 & -2 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

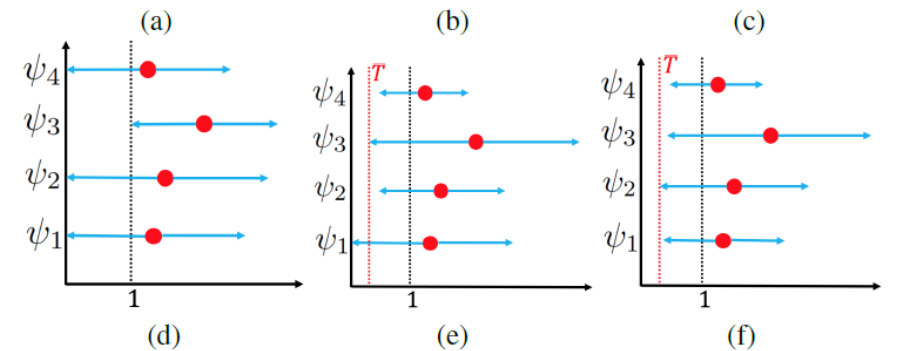
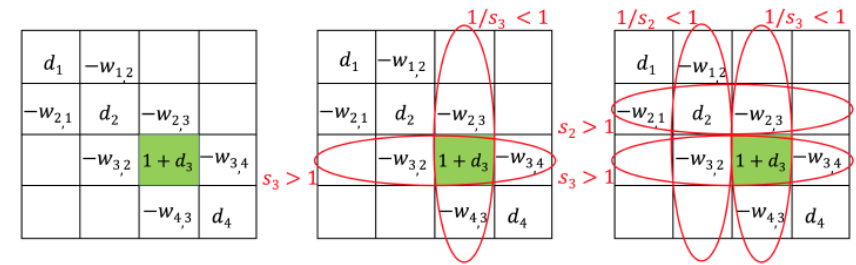
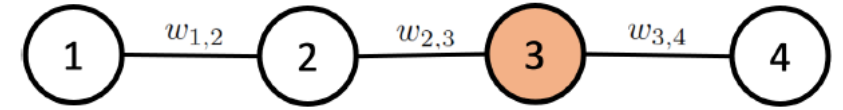


$\lambda_{\min}(\mathbf{F})$ is lower-bounded by the *smallest left-end of Gershgorin discs*:

$$\lambda_{\min}^{-}(\mathbf{F}) \triangleq \min_i c_i - r_i \leq \lambda_{\min}(\mathbf{F})$$

[1] R. S. Varga, *Gershgorin and his circles*, Springer, 2004.

GDA Sampling for Positive Graphs



We focus on maximizing $\lambda_{\min}^-(\mathbf{B})$:

$$\mathbf{H}^T \mathbf{H} + \mu \mathcal{L}$$

$$\max_{\mathbf{H}, \mathbf{S} \mid \text{Tr}(\mathbf{H}^T \mathbf{H}) \leq K} \lambda_{\min}^-(\mathbf{SBS}^{-1})$$

diagonal *scaling* matrix

Given Gershgorin disc left-ends of \mathcal{L} is at the same exact value, **GDA graph sampling** [1]: Select samples to max smallest disc left-end $\lambda_{\min}^-(\mathbf{B})$ of coefficient matrix \mathbf{B} via:

- **Disc shifting** (choosing sample i).
- **Disc scaling** (estimating influence on neighbors given sample i).

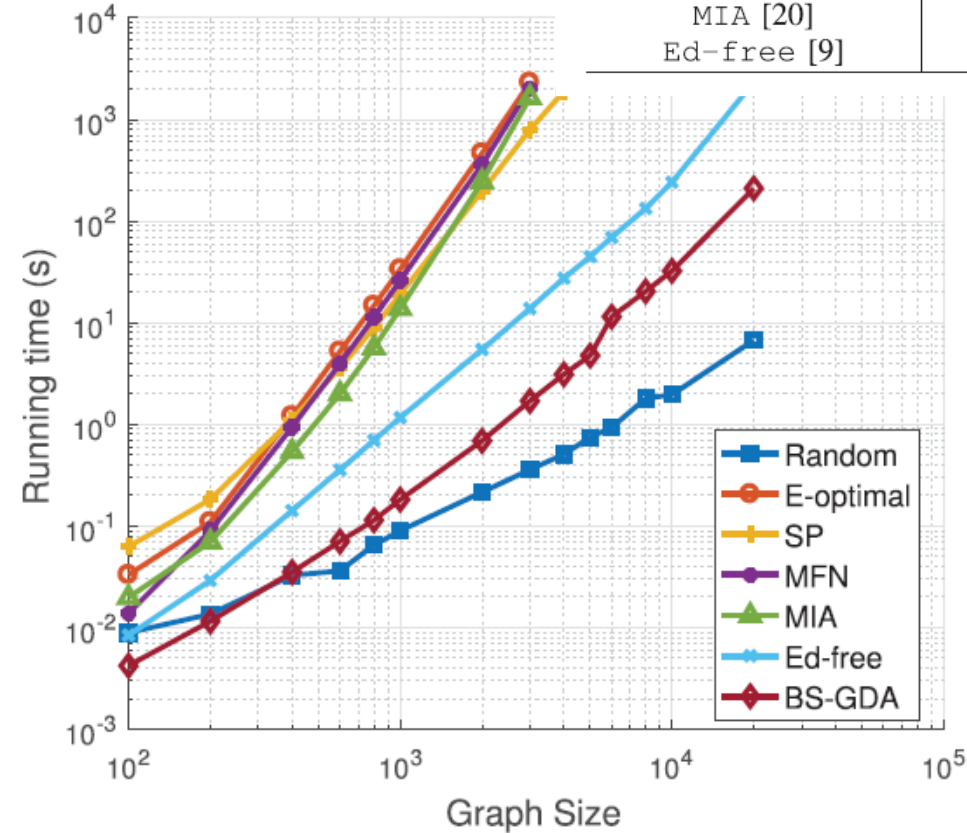
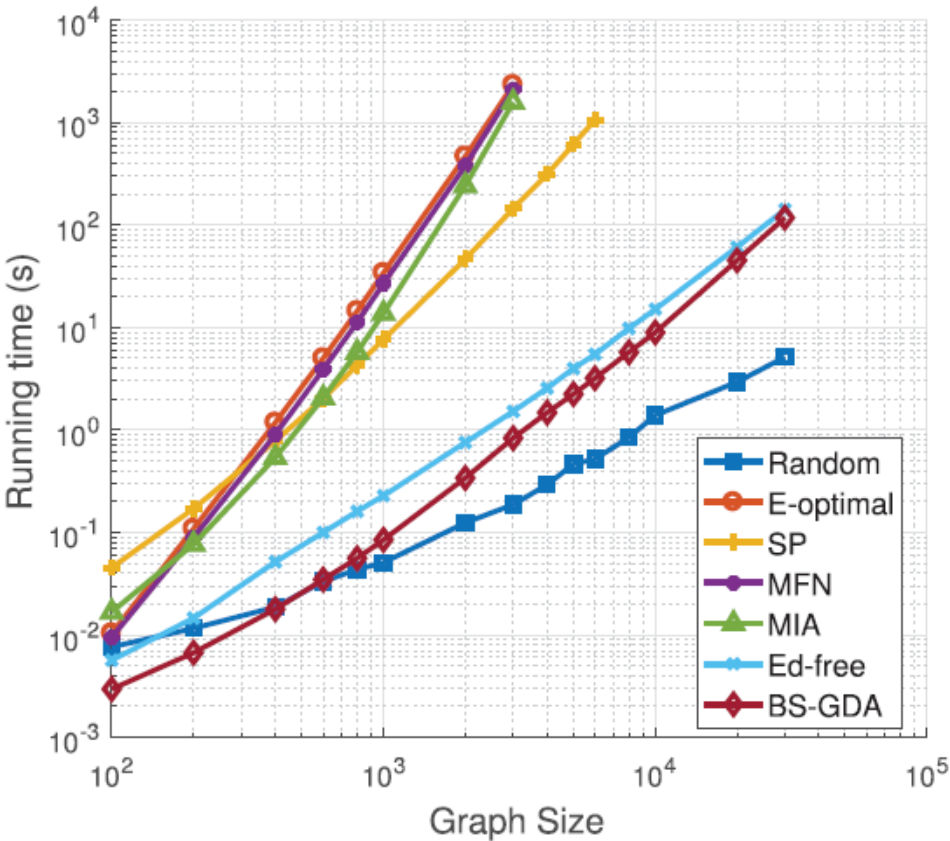
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Results: positive graph sampling (speed)

- Running time comparisons on two different graphs. (a) Random sensor raph. (b) Community graph.

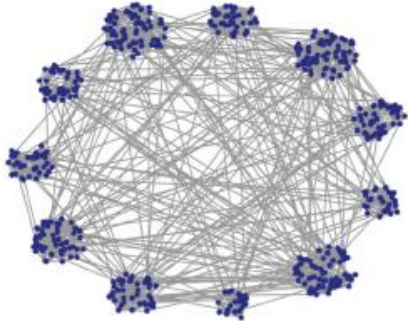
TABLE II
SPEEDUP FACTORS OF OUR ALGORITHM WITH RESPECT TO OTHER SAMPLING ALGORITHMS FOR $N = 3000$

Sampling Algorithms	Sensor	Community
Random [27]	0.22	0.21
E-optimal [24]	2812.77	1360.76
SP [16]	174.09	466.18
MFN [22]	2532.91	1184.23
MIA [20]	1896.19	964.65
Ed-free [9]	1.82	8.11

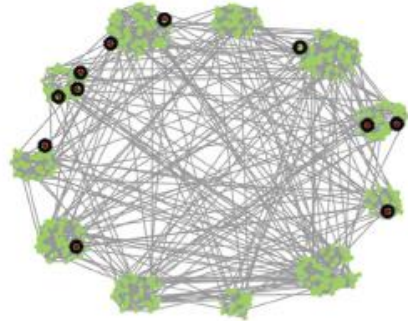


Results: community graph sampling

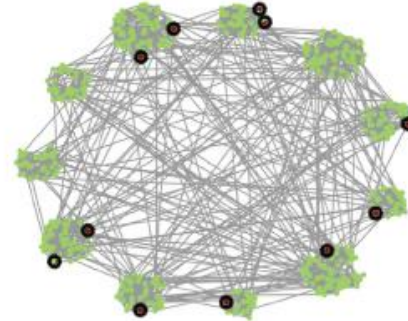
- Visualization of selected nodes on the community graph ($N = 500, K = 11$). Black circles denote sampled nodes. (a) Original graph. (b) Random [28]. (c) E-optimal [25]. (d) SP [16]. (e) MFN [23]. (f) MIA [20]. (g) Ed-free [9]. (h) The proposed BS-GDA.



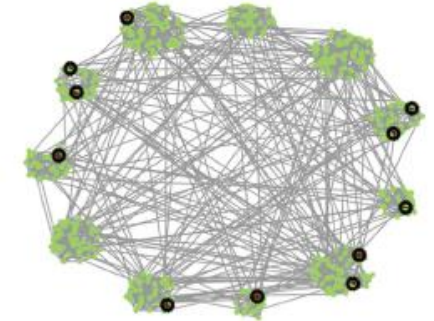
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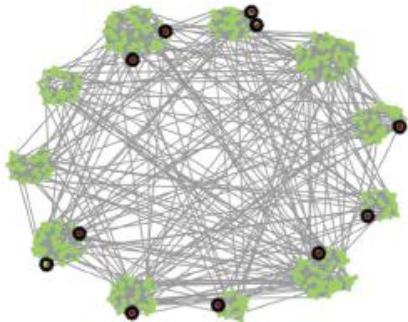
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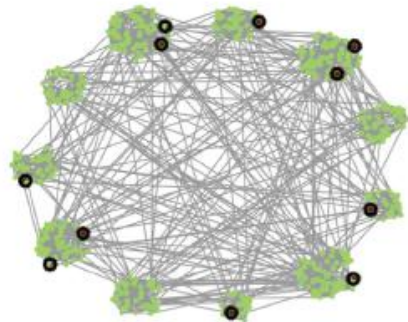
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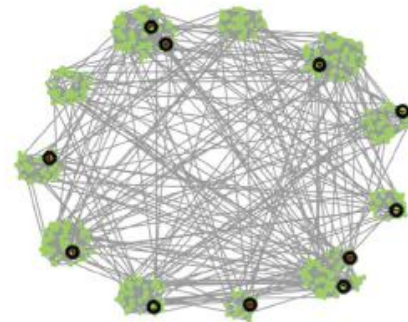
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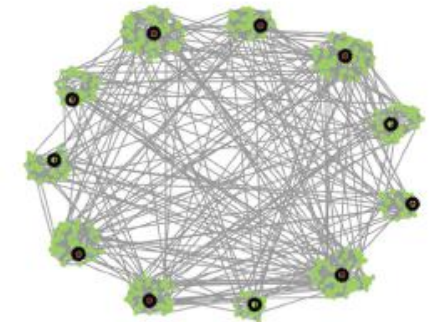
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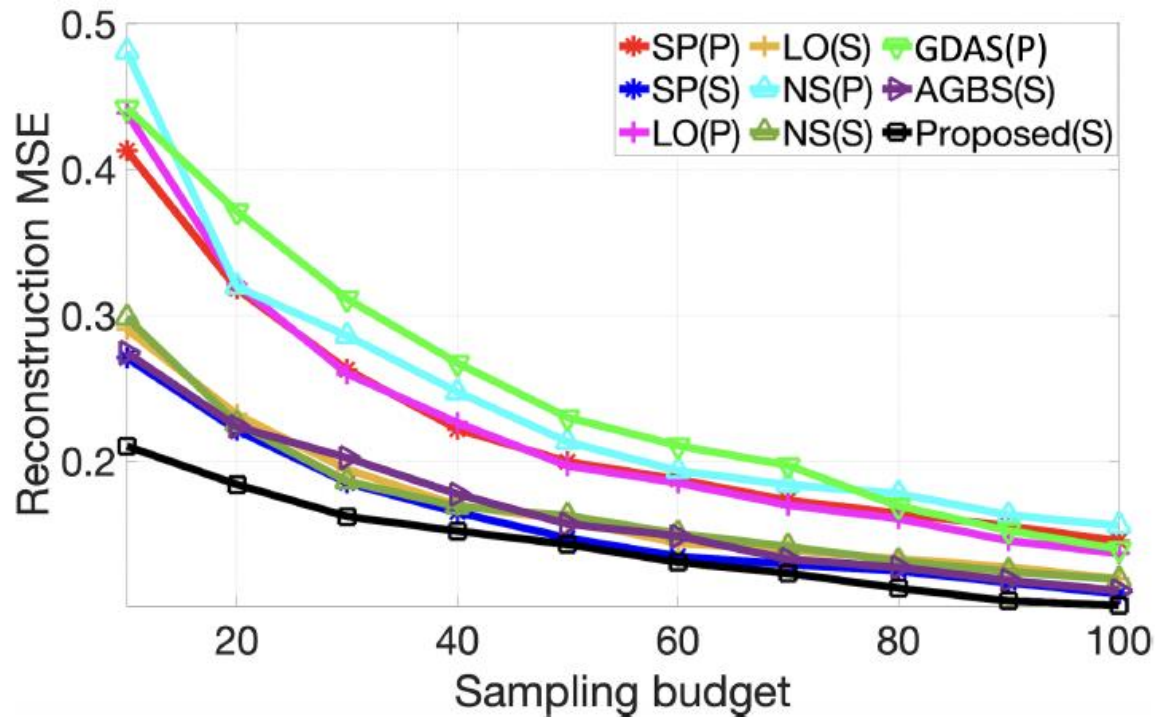


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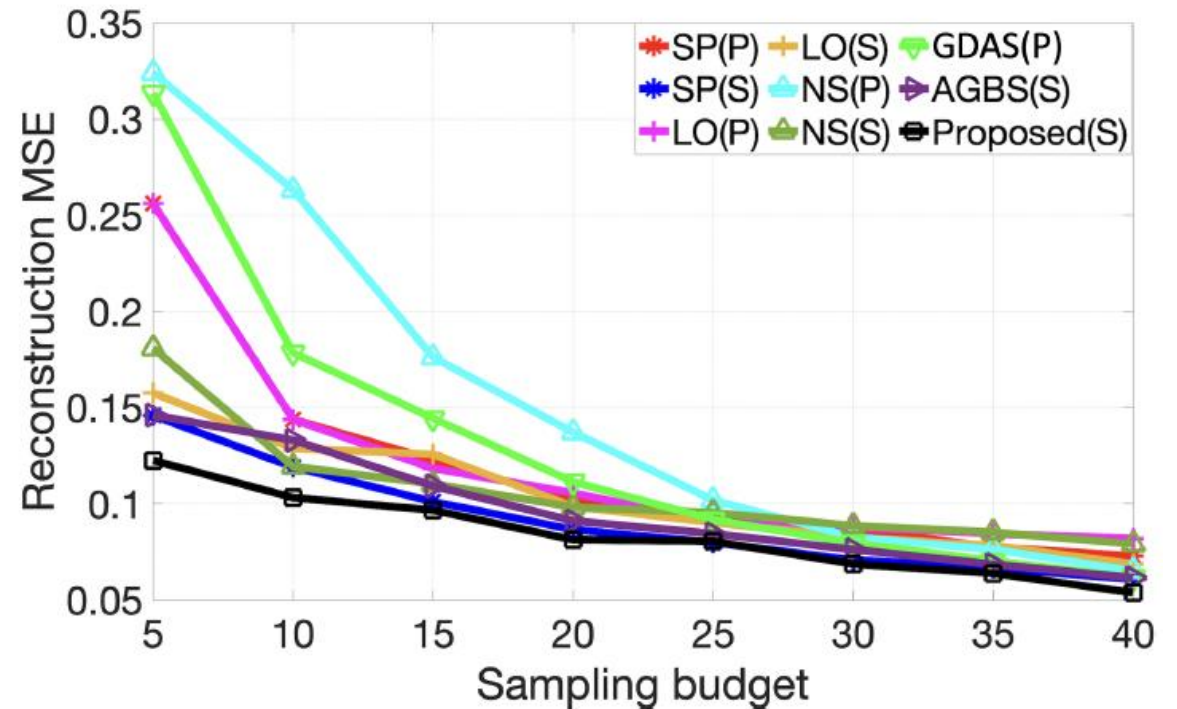


(h)

Results: signed graph sampling



(a) Canadian parliament voting dataset



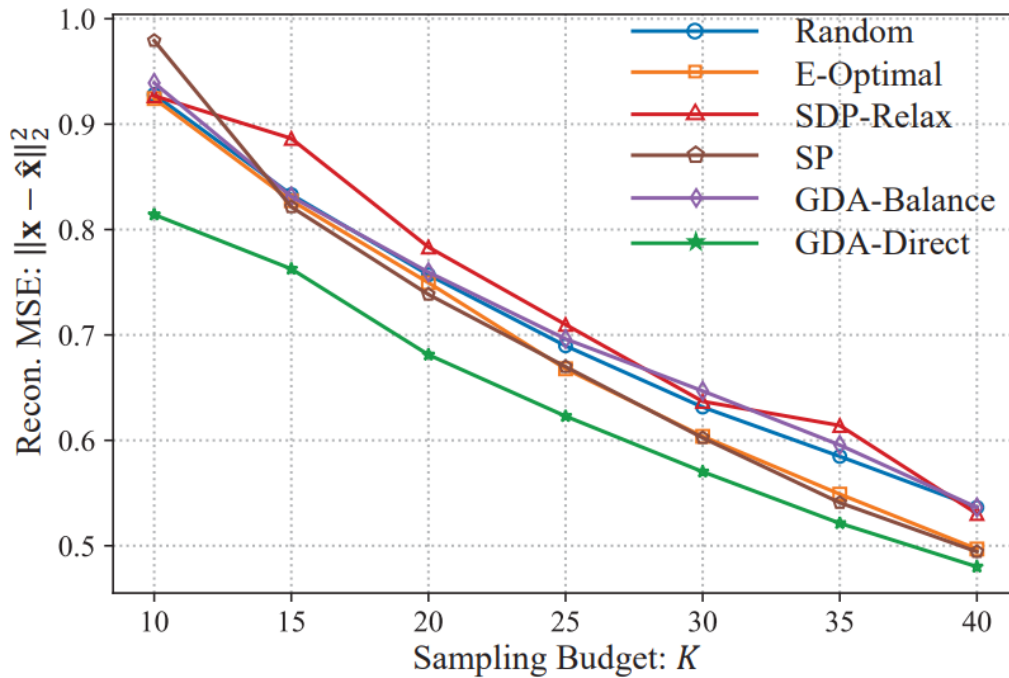
(b) US senate voting dataset

For the Canadian dataset, our scheme reduced the lowest MSE among competitor schemes by 22.2%, 18.2%, 13.5%, 10.4%, for sampling budget 10, 20, 30, 40.

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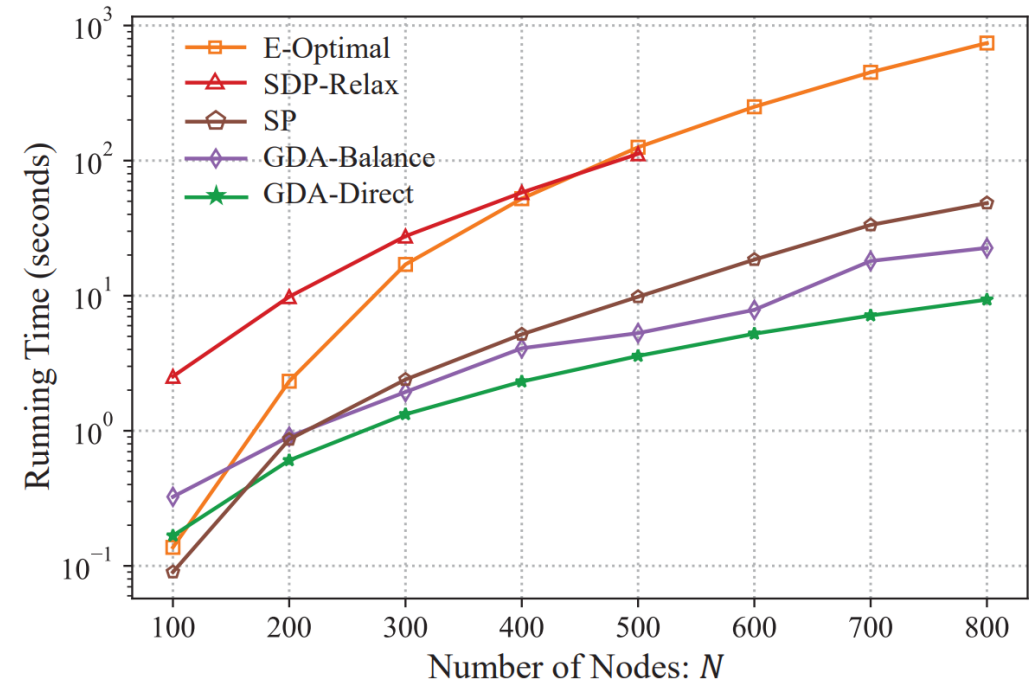
Results: directed graph sampling

(a) Reconstruction MSE on Erdős-Rényi Random Graph. GS = Diffusion Signal



- GDA-Direct achieves lowest Recon. MSE
- Decreases MSE by 11.9%

(b) Running Time on Erdős-Rényi Random Graph

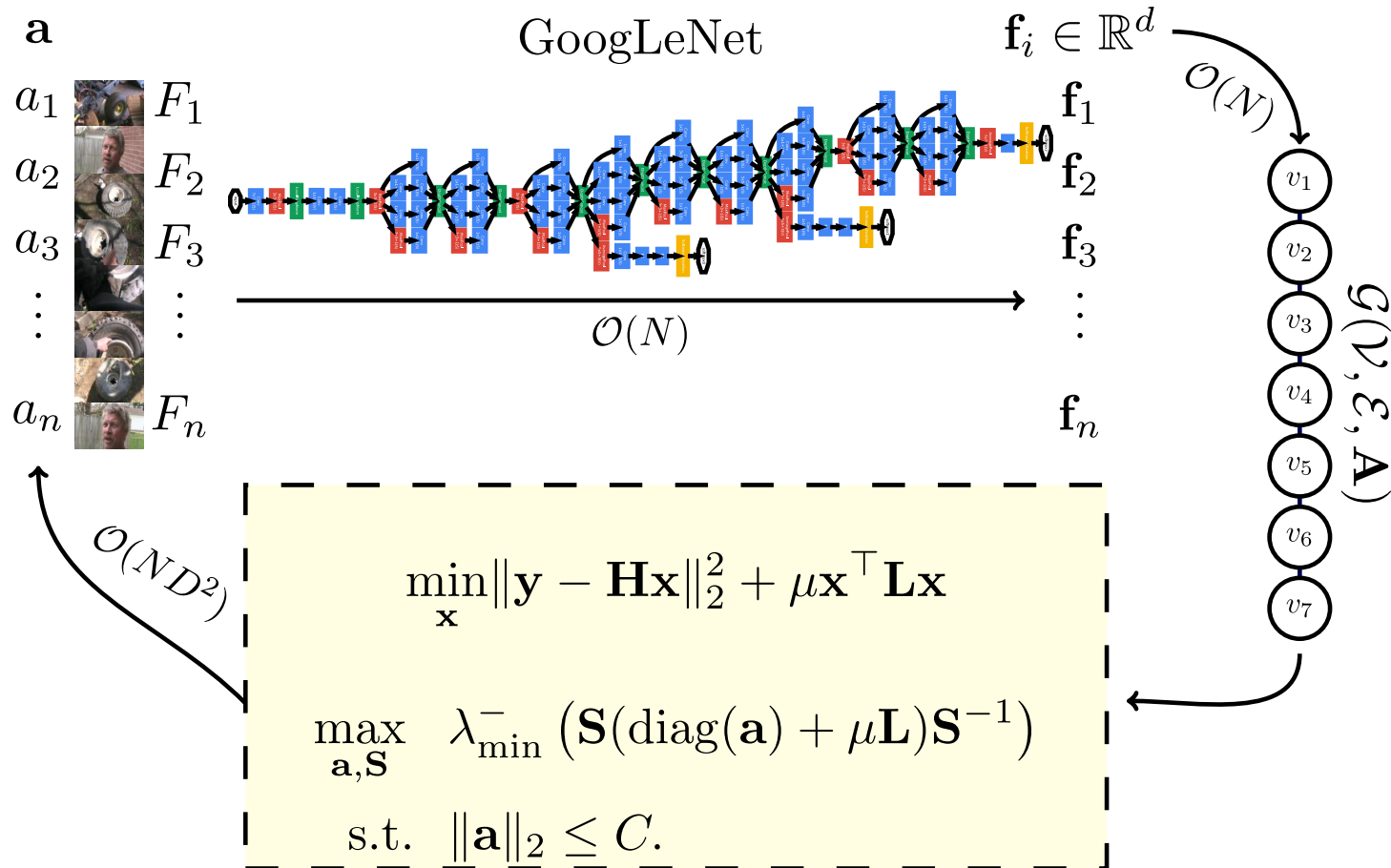


- GDA-Direct is the fastest method
- Speeds up by 1.4 times.

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Graph Sampling Application 1: video summarization

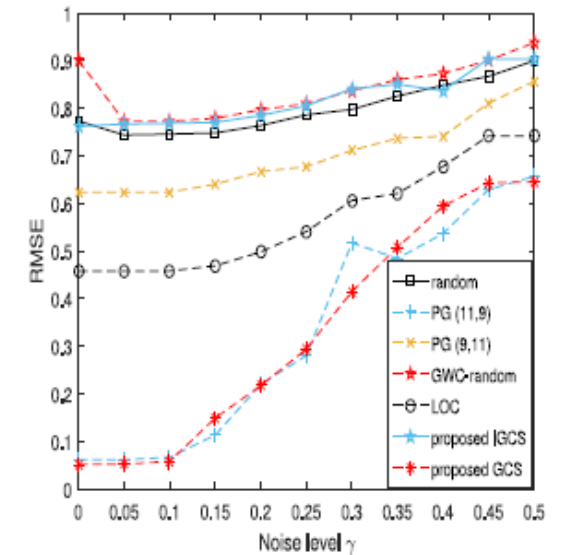
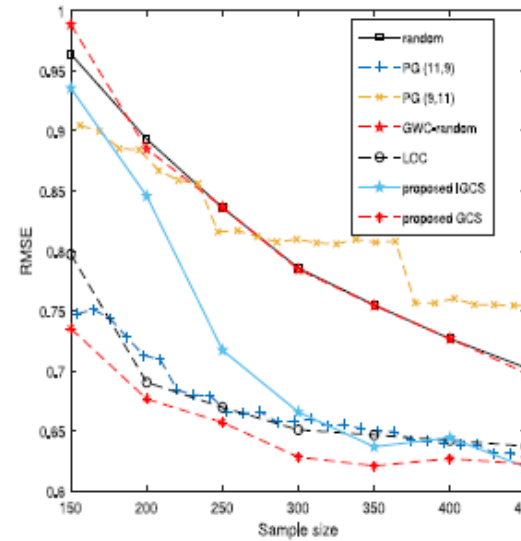
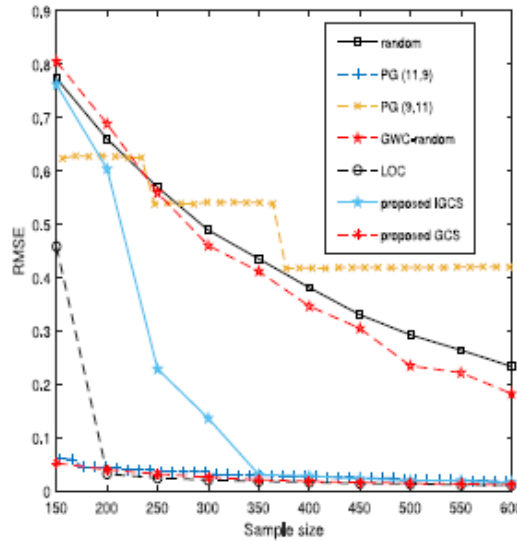
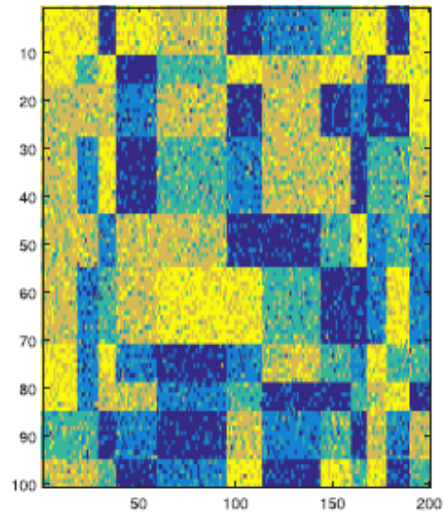
- **Problem:** Select *Keyframes* to summarize short video.
- **Solution:** Construct path graph from GoogLeNet features, choose graph samples.



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Graph Sampling Application 2: matrix completion

- Pre-select a subset of matrix entries for sampling to maximize **matrix completion** fidelity.
- Challenge:** select sampling set Ω to maximize λ_{\min} of $\tilde{\mathbf{A}}_{\Omega} + \alpha \mathbf{I}_n \otimes \mathbf{L}_r + \beta \mathbf{L}_c \otimes \mathbf{I}_m$
graph Laplacians for row / column graphs
- RMSE of different sampling methods for MC on **Synthetic Netflix**. The matrix was completed using the *double graph smoothness* based method.



(a) **Noisy** synthetic Netflix signal

(b) RMSE on noiseless signal

(c) RMSE on noisy signal with $\gamma = 0.6$

(d) RMSE on different noise level γ

[1] F. Wang, Y. Wang, G. Cheung, C. Yang, "Graph Sampling for Matrix Completion Using Recurrent Gershgorin Disc Shift," vol. 68, pp. 1814-2829, *IEEE Transactions on Signal Processing*, April 2020.

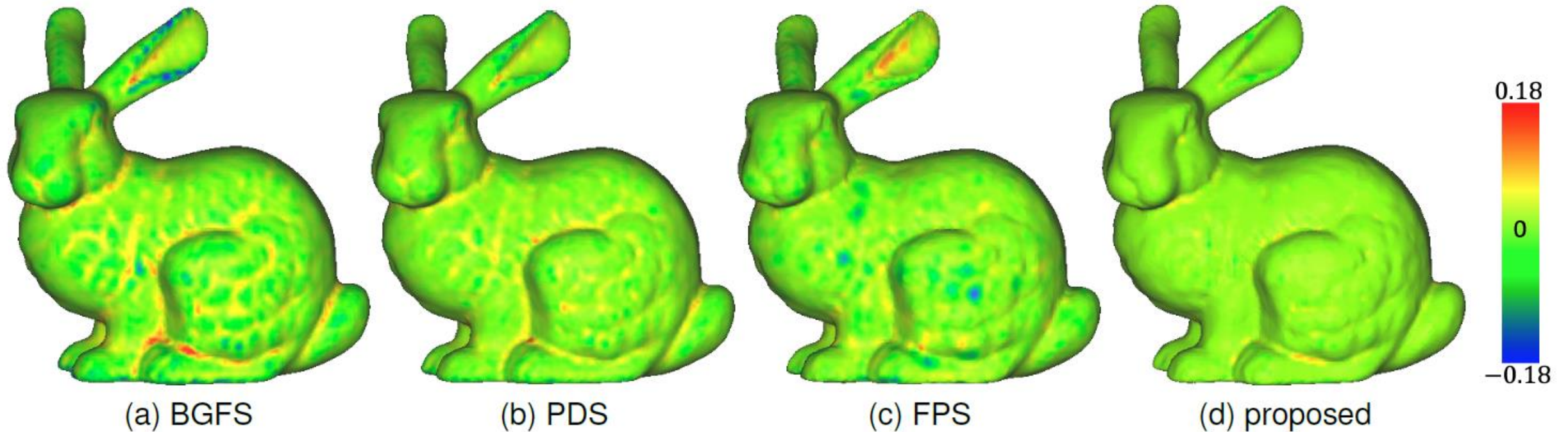
Graph Sampling Application 3: 3D point cloud sub-sampling

- Reduce 3D point cloud size by sub-sampling while preserving the overall object shape.

- **Challenge:** select sampling matrix \mathbf{H} to maximize λ_{\min} of $\mathbf{H}^T \mathbf{H} + \mu \mathcal{L}$

generalized graph Laplacian

- SR reconstruction results from diff. methods of sub-sampled Bunny under 0.2 sub-sampling ratio.



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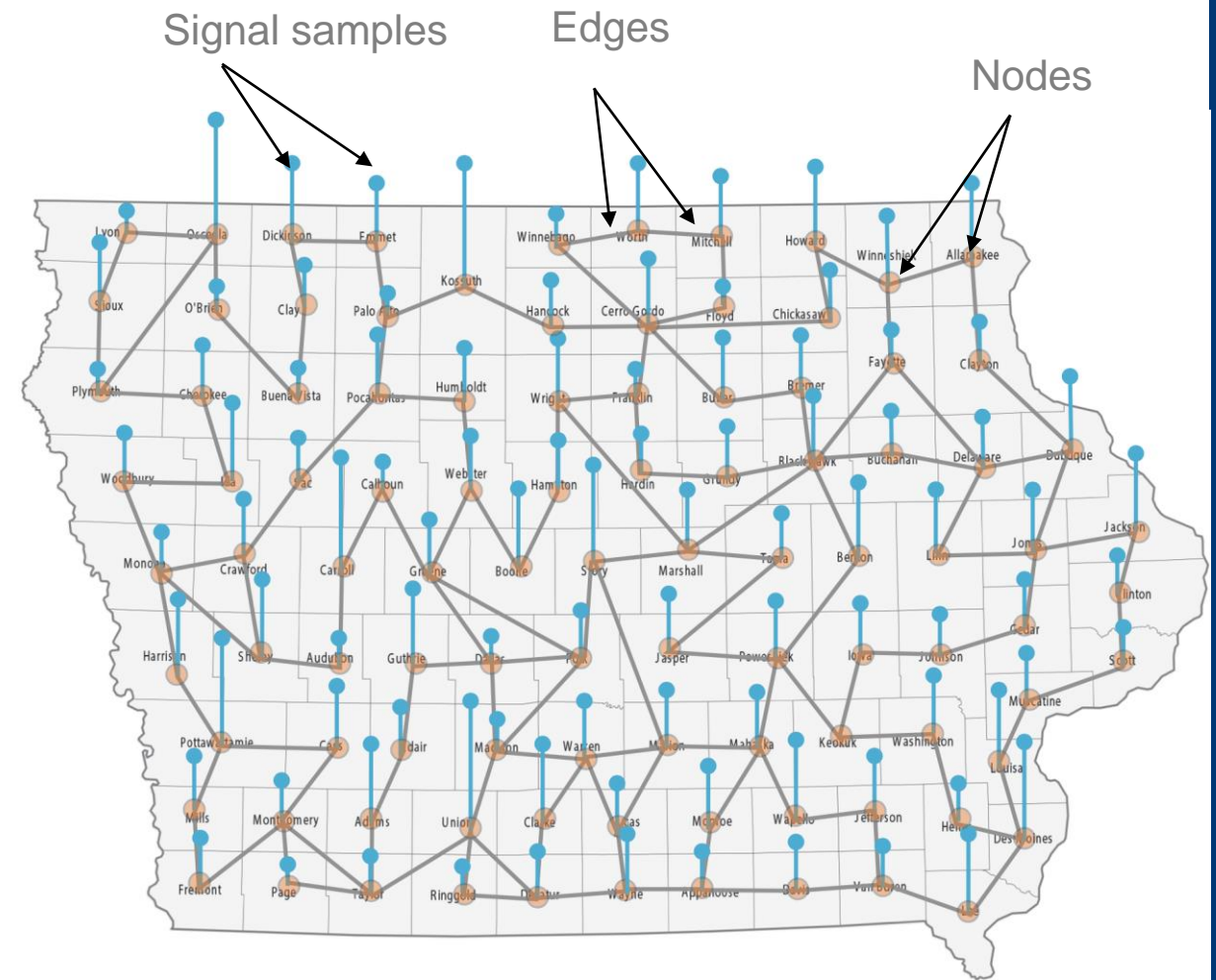
Motivation: graph sparsification

Crop Yield Prediction:

- Reduce price fluctuation.
- Stabilize food supply.
- Minimize uncertainty for farmers.

SOTA methods use **GCNs**:

- Dense underlying graph kernel can be used.
- Requires long training and execution time.



[1] Saghar Bagheri, Gene Cheung, Timothy Eadie, "Graph Sparsification for GCN towards Optimal Crop Yield Prediction," *International Geoscience and Remote Sensing Symposium (IGARSS)*, Pasadena, CA, July 2023.

Graph Sparsification: Fiedler number

Fiedler number:

- Second smallest eigenvalue λ_2 of the Laplacian matrix \mathbf{L} .
- Known to quantify “connectedness” of underlying graph.

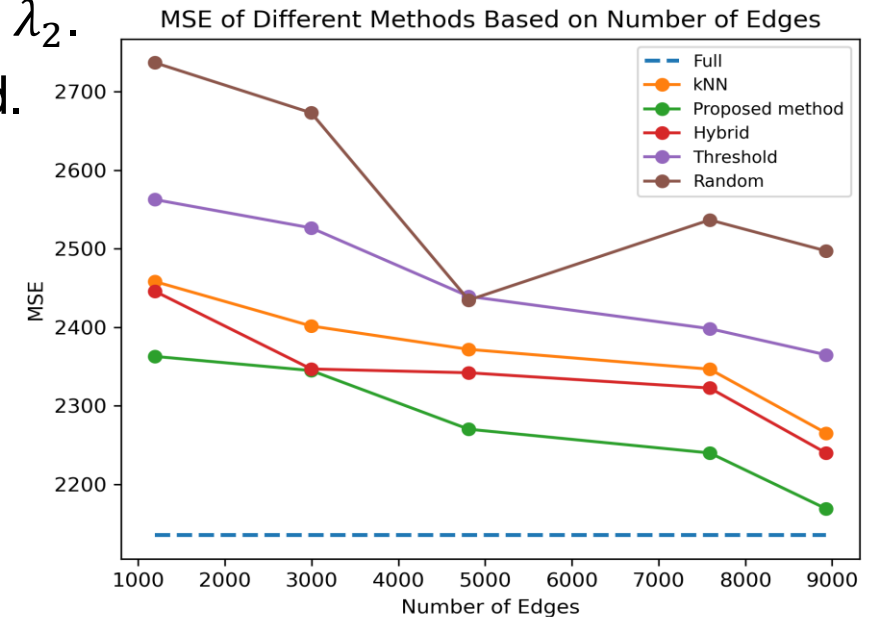
Fast method:

- In each iteration, remove edge that induces min change in λ_2 .
- Modified Laplacian $\tilde{\mathbf{L}} = \mathbf{L} + \mathbf{E}^{m,n}$ with edge (m, n) removed.

$$\tilde{\lambda} \in [\lambda_2 - \|\mathbf{E}^{m,n} \mathbf{v}_2\|_2, \lambda_2 + \|\mathbf{E}^{m,n} \mathbf{v}_2\|_2] .$$

- Choose edge such that

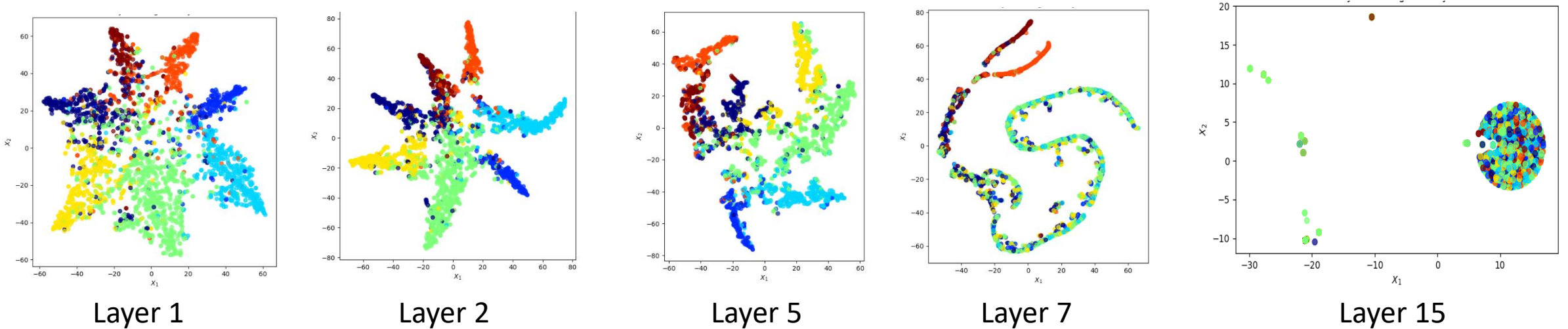
$$(m^*, n^*) = \arg \min_{(m,n) \in \mathcal{E}} \|\mathbf{E}^{m,n} \mathbf{v}_2\|_2 .$$



Motivation: graph learning with spectrum prior

Stacking more GCN layers \rightarrow node representations become indistinguishable [1]

Q: How to alleviate over-smoothing?



t-SNE visualization of output features from GCNs[2] w/ different layers for Cora dataset

[1] Qimai Li, Zhichao Han, and Xiao-Ming Wu, "Deeper insights into graph convolutional networks for semi-supervised learning," AAAI, 2018.

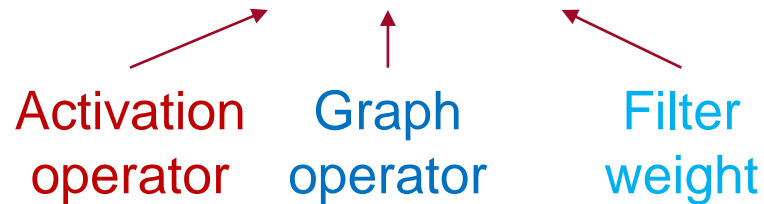
[2] Thomas N. Kipf and Max Welling, "Semi-supervised classification with graph convolutional networks," ICLR, 2017.

[3] Jin Zeng, Yang Liu, Gene Cheung, Wei Hu, "Sparse Graph Learning with Spectrum Prior for Deep Graph Convolutional Networks," ICASSP, June 2023.

Oversmoothing in GCNs

Multilayer GCN

- \mathcal{G} : Undirected graph with N nodes
- Output from GCN associated with \mathcal{G} with L layers: $f = f_L \circ \dots \circ f_1$
- l -th layer output with input \mathbf{X} : $f_l(\mathbf{X}) \triangleq \sigma(\mathbf{P} \mathbf{X} \Theta^{(l)})$



Over-smoothing in GCN

- \mathcal{M} : subspace spanned by 1st eigenvectors of **normalized graph Laplacian** $\tilde{\mathbf{L}} = \mathbf{I} - \mathbf{P}$
- More GCN layers $\rightarrow f(\mathbf{X})$ converges to $\mathcal{M}[1]$

Uninformative signals

$$d_{\mathcal{M}}(f_l(\mathbf{X})) \leq r * d_{\mathcal{M}}(\mathbf{X})$$

L2 distance to \mathcal{M} Convergence rate characterized by graph spectrum

[1] Kenta Oono and Taiji Suzuki, "Graph neural networks exponentially lose expressive power for node classification," ICLR, 2020.

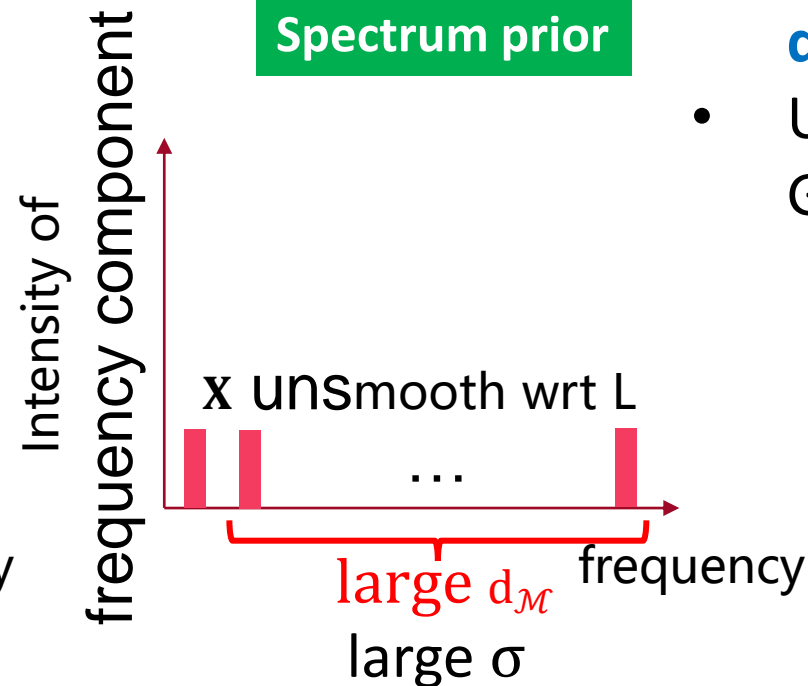
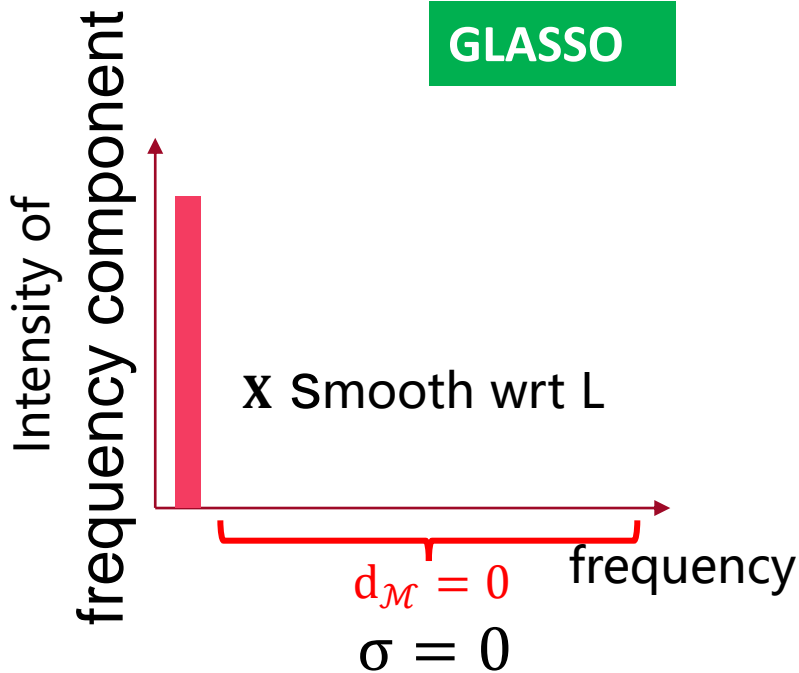
Sparse Graph Learning with Spectrum Prior

SGL-GCN: Sparse Graph Learning with Spectrum Prior for GCN

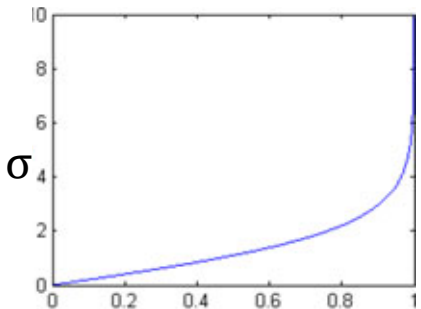
$$\min_{\mathbf{L} \geq 0} \underbrace{\text{Tr}(\mathbf{L}\mathbf{C}) - \log\det(\mathbf{L}) + \rho\|\mathbf{L}\|_1}_{\text{GLASSO}} + \underbrace{\sigma\text{Tr}(\mathbf{L})}_{\text{Spectrum prior}}$$

- Solve via **block coordinate descent** (BCD)
- Use output \mathbf{L} for GCN

Weight σ :



$$\sigma = \ln \left(\frac{1+M(S)}{1-M(S)} \right) \text{ where } M(S) \text{ is smoothness, } S \text{ is given data}$$



Results: robust graph learning

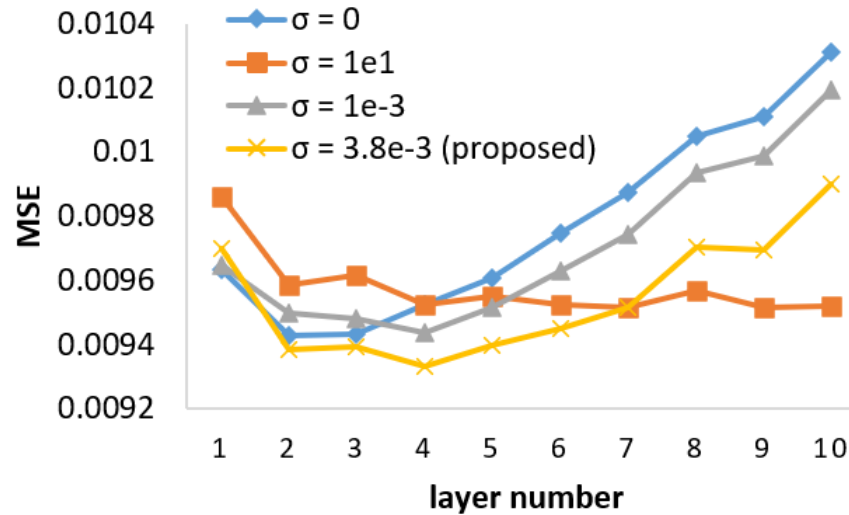
METR-LA Dataset

- Task: predict traffic speed given past 50 mins data (sampled every 5 mins)
- C: observations in training data

Proposed SGL-GCN

- Validated weight σ
- **Higher** acc w/ **deeper** GCN

Validation of weight computation



9.43e-3@Layer2
~~X~~ Over-smoothing
~~X~~ Acc

9.33e-3@Layer4
 ✓ Over-smoothing
 ✓ Acc

9.51e-3@Layer7
 ✓ Over-smoothing
~~X~~ Acc

Methods	2 layers	4 layers	8 layers
GCN	10.76	11.81	17.38
DropEdge ^[1]	10.79	12.25	17.72
Oono's [2]	10.79	11.89	17.32
SGL-GCN w/o spectrum	9.43	9.52	10.05
SGL-GCN	9.38	9.33	9.70

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 - Graph spectrum affects performance, oversmoothing

Applications:

Image coding, denoising, deblurring, interpolation, contrast enhancement, light field image denoising, 3D point cloud denoising, sub-sampling, super-resolution, matrix completion, semi-supervised classifier learning, video summarization, crop yield prediction

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