# Signal Processing on Graphs: Processing Data over Graphs





#### **A Few Laplacian Eigenvectors**







Using eigenvectors of  $\mathbf{L}$ , we define a Graph Fourier Transform (GFT)



#### **Functional calculus**

It will be useful to manipulate functions of the Laplacian

 $f(\mathbf{L}), f: \mathbb{R} \mapsto \mathbb{R}$ 

 $\mathbf{L}^{k}\mathbf{u}_{\ell} = \lambda_{\ell}^{k}\mathbf{u}_{\ell} \longrightarrow \text{polynomials}$ Symmetric matrices admit a (Borel) functional calculus

Borel functional calculus for symmetric matrices  $f(\mathbf{L}) = \sum_{\ell \in \mathcal{S}(\mathbf{L})} f(\lambda_{\ell}) \mathbf{u}_{\ell} \mathbf{u}_{\ell}^{t}$ 

Use spectral theorem on powers, get to polynomials From polynomial to continuous functions by Stone-Weierstrass Then Riesz-Markov (non-trivial !)

#### **Example: Diffusion on Graphs**

Consider the following « heat » diffusion model

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial t} = -\mathcal{L}f \qquad \frac{\partial}{\partial t}\hat{f}(\ell, t) = -\lambda_{\ell}\hat{f}(\ell, t) \qquad \hat{f}(\ell, 0) := \hat{f}_{0}(\ell)$$

$$\hat{f}(\ell, t) = e^{-t\lambda_{\ell}} \hat{f}_0(\ell)$$
  $f = e^{-t\mathcal{L}} f_0$  by functional calculus

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#### **Example: Diffusion on Graphs**

examples of heat kernel on graph



Suppose a smooth signal f on a graph



$$\|\nabla f\|_2^2 \le M \Leftrightarrow f^t \mathbf{L} f \le M$$

$$|\hat{f}(\ell)| \le \frac{\sqrt{M}}{\sqrt{\lambda_{\ell}}}$$

Original

But you observe only a noisy version y

$$y(i) = f(i) + n(i)$$



**De-Noising by Regularization** 

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#### Simple De-Noising Example $\operatorname{argmin}_{f} \{ ||f - y||_{2}^{2} + \gamma f^{T} \mathcal{L} f \}$

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#### Graph Filters

A Graph Filter is an operator acting on graph signals It is represented by a function of the Laplacian:  $g(\mathbf{L}) \in \mathbb{R}^{N \times N}$ 

$$f_{\rm out} = g(\mathbf{L})f_{\rm in}$$

Via functional calculus or an explicit calculation:  $\widehat{f_{\text{out}}}(\lambda_{\ell}) = g(\lambda_{\ell})\widehat{f_{\text{in}}}(\lambda_{\ell})$ 

A graph filter reshapes frequency content

This operation is often called "convolution over graphs"

$$(g(\mathbf{L})f)[i] = \sum_{\ell} g(\lambda_{\ell})\hat{f}(\lambda_{\ell})u_{\ell}[i]$$

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#### **Polynomial Localization - Extended**

f is (K+1)-times differentiable:

$$\inf_{q_{K}} \left\{ \|f - q_{K}\|_{\infty} \right\} \leq \frac{\left\lfloor \frac{b-a}{2} \right\rfloor^{n+1}}{(K+1)! \ 2^{K}} \|f^{(K+1)}\|_{\infty}$$
  
Let  $K_{in} := d(i,n) - 1$   
 $|(T_{i}g)(n)| \leq \sqrt{N} \inf_{\widehat{p_{K_{in}}}} \left\{ \sup_{\lambda \in [0,\lambda_{\max}]} |\hat{g}(\lambda) - \widehat{p_{K_{in}}}(\lambda)| \right\} = \sqrt{N} \inf_{\widehat{p_{K_{in}}}} \left\{ \|\hat{g} - \widehat{p_{K_{in}}}\|_{\infty} \right\}$ 

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**Regular Kernels are Localized** 

If the kernel is d(i, n)-times differentiable:

$$|(T_ig)(n)| \leq \left[\frac{2\sqrt{N}}{d_{in}!} \left(\frac{\lambda_{\max}}{4}\right)^{d_{in}} \sup_{\lambda \in [0,\lambda_{\max}]} |\hat{g}^{(d_{in})}(\lambda)|\right]$$

# **Remark on Implementation**

Not necessary to compute spectral decomposition

Polynomial approximation : 
$$\hat{g}(tx) \simeq \sum_{k=0}^{K-1} a_k(t) p_k(x)$$
  
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ex: Chebyshev, minimax  
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Then wavelet operator expressed with powers of Laplacian:

$$g(t\mathcal{L}) \simeq \sum_{k=0}^{K-1} a_k(t)\mathcal{L}^k$$

And use sparsity of Laplacian in an iterative way





# **Remark on Implementation**

$$\tilde{W}_f(t,j) = \left(p(\mathcal{L})f^{\#}\right)_j \qquad |W_f(t,j) - \tilde{W}_f(t,j)| \le B||f||$$

sup norm control (minimax or Chebyshev)

$$\tilde{W}_f(t_n, j) = \left(\frac{1}{2}c_{n,0}f^\# + \sum_{k=1}^{M_n} c_{n,k}\overline{T}_k(\mathcal{L})f^\#\right)_j$$
$$\overline{T}_k(\mathcal{L})f = \frac{2}{a_1}(\mathcal{L} - a_2I)\left(\overline{T}_{k-1}(\mathcal{L})f\right) - \overline{T}_{k-2}(\mathcal{L})$$

#### Shifted Chebyshev polynomial

Computational cost dominated by matrix-vector multiply with (sparse) Laplacian matrix Complexity:  $O(\sum_{n=1}^{J} M_n |E|)$  Note: "same" algorithm for adjoint !











Remember good old Euclidean case:

$$(W^s f)(x) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{\mathbf{R}} e^{i\omega x} \hat{\psi}^*(s\omega) \hat{f}(\omega) d\omega$$

We will adopt this operator view

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Operator-valued function via continuous Borel functional calculus

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Action of operator is induced by its Fourier symbol

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the underlying graph, we include a regularization term of the form problem

# Spectral Graph Wavelets The first-order optimality conditions of the convex objective function

Gaussian-Filtered

[?, Proposition 1]) the optimal reconstruction is given by

or, equivalently,  $\mathbf{f} = \hat{h}(\mathcal{L})\mathbf{y}$ , where  $\hat{h}(\lambda) := \frac{1}{1+\gamma\lambda}$  can be viewed as

In all image displays, we threshold the values to the [0,1] in zoomed-a versions of the top row of images. Comparing the results

smooth sufficiently in smoother areas of the image, the classical G

image is encoded in the graph Laplacian via the noisy image.

anisotropic diffusion image smoothing method of [?].

As an example, in the figure below, we take the 512 x 512 ca

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#### Frames



A simple way to get a tight frame:

$$\hat{\gamma}(\lambda_{\ell}) = \int_{1/2}^{1} \frac{dt}{t} \hat{g}(t\lambda_{\ell})^2 \Rightarrow \tilde{\hat{g}}(\lambda_{\ell}) = \sqrt{\hat{\gamma}(\lambda_{\ell}) - \hat{\gamma}(2\lambda_{\ell})}$$

for any admissible kernel





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#### **Application: Learning over Graphs**

Let X be an array of data points  $x_1, x_2, ..., x_n \in \mathbb{R}^d$ Each point has a desired class label  $y_k \in Y$  (suppose binary)

At training you have the labels of a subset S of X |S| = l < n

Getting data is easy but labeled data is a scarce resource GOAL: predict remaining labels

<u>Rationale</u>: minimize empirical risk on your training data such that

- your model is predictive
- your model is simple, does not overfit
- your model is "stable" (depends continuously on your training set)

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Questions:

How can unlabelled data be used ?

More general linear model with a dictionary of features ?

$$\arg\min_{\beta} \|\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{M} \mathbf{\Phi}_X \beta\|_2^2 + \alpha \mathcal{S}(\beta)$$

dictionary depends on data points

simplifies/stabilizes selected model

### Learning on Graphs

How can unlabelled data be used ?

#### Assumption:

target function is not globally smooth but it is locally smooth over regions of data space that have some geometrical structure



Use graph to model this structure

### **Learning on/with Graphs**

Example (Belkin, Niyogi)

Affinity between data points represented by edge weights (affinity matrix W)

measure of smoothness: 
$$\|\nabla f\|_2^2 = \sum_{i,j\in X} \mathbf{W}_{ij} (f(x_i) - f(x_j))^2$$
  
=  $f^t \mathbf{L} f$ 

Revisit ridge regression:  $\|\mathbf{X}_{S}^{t}\beta - \mathbf{y}\|_{2}^{2} + \alpha \|\beta\|_{2}^{2} + \gamma \beta^{t} \mathbf{X} L \mathbf{X}^{t} \beta$ Solution is smooth in graph "geometry" (all data)

#### **Learning on with Graphs**

More general linear model with a dictionary of features ?

- $\Phi_X$  dictionary of features on the complete data set (data dependent)
- M restricts to labeled data points (mask)

$$\arg\min_{\beta} \|\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{M} \Phi_X \beta\|_2^2 + \alpha \mathcal{S}(\beta)$$

$$\underset{\text{Empirical Risk}}{\text{Model Selection penalty, sparsity ?}}$$

<u>Important Note:</u> our dictionary will be data dependent but its construction is not part of the above optimization





Solution of the algorithm: Tikhonov



# **Unsupervised Learning: RPCA on Graphs**

- We have already encountered Spectral Clustering
- We can also use graphs to approximately model lowrank matrices in some circumstances:













Low Rank



sparse







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Users in community rate similarly



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Movies are clustered in genres. Similar movies are rated similarly by users





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$$\underset{\mathbf{X}}{\operatorname{arg\,min}} \|A_{\Omega} \circ (\mathbf{X} - \mathbf{M})\| + \gamma_{r} \operatorname{tr} (\mathbf{X} \mathbf{L}_{r} \mathbf{X}^{t}) + \gamma_{c} (\operatorname{tr} \mathbf{X}^{t} \mathbf{L}_{c} \mathbf{X})$$





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