# Machine Learning for Data Science (CS4786) Lecture 13

Kernel PCA & Spectral Clustering

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• Hence  $\alpha_k$  is in the direction of eigen vector of  $\tilde{K}$ 

• Further, since  $W_k$  is unit norm,

$$1 = \|W_k\|_2^2 = \left(\sum_{t=1}^n \boldsymbol{\alpha}_k[t] \mathbf{x}_t\right)^\top \left(\sum_{s=1}^n \boldsymbol{\alpha}_k[s] \mathbf{x}_s\right) = \boldsymbol{\alpha}_k^\top \tilde{K} \boldsymbol{\alpha}_k = n \gamma_k \boldsymbol{\alpha}_k^\top \boldsymbol{\alpha}_k$$

Hence  $\|\boldsymbol{\alpha}_k\|^2 = \frac{1}{n\gamma_k}$  where  $\gamma_k$  is the k'th eigen value of matrix  $\tilde{K}$ 

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- However, the projections are in *K* dimensions and we can hope to directly compute these as:

$$\mathbf{y}_{i}[k] = \mathbf{x}_{i}^{\mathsf{T}} W_{k} = \sum_{t=1}^{n} \boldsymbol{\alpha}_{k}[t] \tilde{K}_{t,i}$$

### REWRITTING PCA

• We assumed centered data, what if its not,

$$\begin{split} \tilde{K}_{s,t} &= \left( \mathbf{x}_t - \frac{1}{n} \sum_{u=1}^n \mathbf{x}_u \right) \right)^{\mathsf{T}} \left( \mathbf{x}_s - \frac{1}{n} \sum_{u=1}^n \mathbf{x}_u \right) \\ &= \mathbf{x}_t^{\mathsf{T}} \mathbf{x}_s - \left( \frac{1}{n} \sum_{u=1}^n \mathbf{x}_u \right)^{\mathsf{T}} \mathbf{x}_s - \left( \frac{1}{n} \sum_{u=1}^n \mathbf{x}_u \right)^{\mathsf{T}} \mathbf{x}_t \\ &+ \frac{1}{n^2} \left( \sum_{u=1}^n \mathbf{x}_u \right)^{\mathsf{T}} \left( \sum_{v=1}^n \mathbf{x}_v \right) \\ &= \mathbf{x}_t^{\mathsf{T}} \mathbf{x}_s - \frac{1}{n} \sum_{u=1}^n \mathbf{x}_u^{\mathsf{T}} \mathbf{x}_s - \frac{1}{n} \sum_{u=1}^n \mathbf{x}_u^{\mathsf{T}} \mathbf{x}_t + \frac{1}{n^2} \sum_{u=1}^n \sum_{v=1}^n \mathbf{x}_u^{\mathsf{T}} \mathbf{x}_v \end{split}$$

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• Equivalently, if Kern is the matrix (Kern<sub>*t*,s</sub> =  $x_t^T x_s$ ),

$$\tilde{K} = \operatorname{Kern} - \frac{(\mathbf{1}_{n \times n} \times \operatorname{Kern})}{n} - \frac{(\operatorname{Kern} \times \mathbf{1}_{n \times n})}{n} + \frac{(\mathbf{1}_{n \times n} \times \operatorname{Kern} \times \mathbf{1}_{n \times n})}{n^2}$$

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- Compute projections by setting

$$\mathbf{y}_i[k] = \sum_{t=1}^n \boldsymbol{\alpha}_k[t] \tilde{K}_{t,i}$$

or in other words  $Y = \tilde{K} \times [\alpha_1, \ldots, \alpha_K]$ 



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Replace  $\mathbf{x}_t^{\mathsf{T}} \mathbf{x}_s$  with  $\Phi(\mathbf{x}_t)^{\mathsf{T}} \Phi(\mathbf{x}_s) = k(x_t, x_s)$  to perform PCA in feature space





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# Demo







- Cluster nodes in a graph.
- Analysis of social network data.



- Map nodes to K dimensional space
  - Spectral embedding
- Use clustering on the K dimensional space

# What is the Embedding?



- Map each node in V to R<sup>K</sup>
- Nodes linked to each other are close
- Disconnected groups of nodes are far from each other

$$A_{i,j} = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } (i,j) \in E \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$



*A* is adjacency matrix of a graph







$$D_{i,i} = \sum_{j=1}^{n} A_{i,j}$$

### GRAPH CLUSTERING



• Fact: For a connected graph, exactly one, the smallest of eigenvalues is 0, corresponding eigenvector is  $\mathbf{1} = (1, ..., 1)^{\mathsf{T}}$ Proof: Sum of each row of *L* is 0 because  $D_{i,i} = \sum_{j=1}^{n} A_{i,j}$  and L = D - A

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Hence solution *c* to above is an Eigen vector, first smallest one is the all 1's vector (for connected graph), second smallest one is our solution

To get clustering assignment we simply threshold at 0

#### SPECTRAL CLUSTERING, K >1

 Solution obtained by considering the second smallest up to K<sup>th</sup> smallest eigenvectors

$$\operatorname{Obj}(c) = \sum_{k=1}^{K} c^{k^{\top}} L c^{k}$$

 $c^k$ 's are orthogonal to each other and the all ones vector

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Embeds the n nodes into K-1 dimensional vectors