# Spectral clustering techniques for biological data

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## **Project Presentation**

 $\rightarrow$  strong correlation between structure of the nucleolus of a cell and potential diseases of this cell

 $\rightarrow$  biologist have generated a database by annihilating some specific genes of the cells (silencers) and they have visually observed different conformations of the nucleolus



1 well of cells = 1 silencer

Objective :

- clustering the cells based on the conformation of their nucleolus
- maximize the number of cluster

Hypothesis :

• the cell of the same well should belong to the same cluster

After an image analysis processing, each cell is represented by a 15-dimensional characteristics' vector  $x_i \in \mathbb{R}^{15}$ Example : elliptic regularity, number of connected component, luminous intensity Presence of the noice :

- some cells of a well could not have reacted to the silencer
- 2D representation of a 3D cell



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data points :  $x_1, ..., x_n \in \mathbb{R}^p$ similarity matrix :  $W = (w_{ij})_{i,j=1..n} = w(x_i, x_j)$ similarity graph G = (V, E)V : vertices (data points) E : edges with weight  $w_{ij}$ 

Problem of clustering ↔ Partition the graph so that edges within a group have large weights and edges across groups have small weights.

For each vertices, selection of the m-nearest neighbors  $\rightarrow C(i,j) = 1$  if j is one of the m-nearest neighbors of i and 0 otherwise.

C is not symmetric :

- C<sub>norm</sub> = max(C, C') → C(i, j) = 1 if i is one of the m-nearest neighbors of j OR if j is one of the m-nearest neighbors of i : each vertice has at least m neighbors (normal graph)
- $C_{mut} = min(C, C') \rightarrow C(i, j) = 1$  if *i* is one of the m-nearest neighbors of *j* AND if *j* is one of the m-nearest neighbors of *i* : each point has at most *m* neighbors (mutual graph)
- $\rightarrow$  Connectivity matrix  $C_{norm}$  or  $C_{mut}$  : sparse matrix

If *i* and *j* are connected  $w_{ij} = e^{-\frac{||x_i - x_j||^2}{2\sigma^2}} \to \sigma$  controls the size of the neighborhood How to choose  $\sigma$ :

- human-specified parameter
- local scaling ([1] Zelnik-Manor, 2005) : one value of σ for each point. Ex : σ<sub>i</sub> = max<sub>j</sub>(||x<sub>i</sub> − x<sub>j</sub>||) for j in the neighborhood of i

## Definitions

Degree of a vertice  $i : d_i = \sum_{j=1}^n w_{ij}$ Degree diagonal-matrix with coefficients  $d_i : D$ Laplacian matrix :

$$L = D - W$$

Normalized Laplacian matrix :

• 
$$L_{rw} = D^{-1}L$$
  
•  $L_{sym} = D^{-1/2}LD^{-1/2}$ 

# Numbers of connected components and spectrum of $L_{rw}$

The multiplicity k of the eigenvalue 0 of  $L_{rw}$  equals the number of connected components  $A_1, ..., A_k$  in the graph. The eigenspace of the eigenvalue 0 is spanned by the indicator vector  $\mathbb{1}_{A_1}, ..., \mathbb{1}_{A_k}$ 

#### Partitioning a graph

For two subsets A, B of  $V : W(A, B) = \sum_{i \in A, j \in B} w_{ij}$ Two ways for mesuring the "size" of a subset A:

- |A| : number of vertices in A
- $vol(A) = \sum_{i \in A} d_i$

Two criteria to partitioning a graph :

$$cut(A_1,...,A_k) = \frac{1}{2}\sum_{i=1}^k W(A_i,\overline{A_i})$$

$$Ncut(A_1,...,A_k) = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^k \frac{W(A_i,\overline{A_i})}{vol(A_i)} = \sum_{i=1}^k \frac{cut(A_i,\overline{A_i})}{vol(A_i)}$$

- Minimize cut leads to solution which separate one individual vertex from the rest of the graph.
- By dividing the cut by vol(A<sub>i</sub>), we explicitly request that the sets A<sub>1</sub>,...A<sub>k</sub> are reasonably large.

Problem : minimizing Ncut is NP-Hard  $\rightarrow$  Spectral clustering is a way to solve relaxed version of this problem.

## Spectral clustering

Algorithm Normalized spectral clustering (Shi and Malik 2000)

#### L=D-W

Compute the k first eigenvector  $u_1, ..., u_k$  of  $L_{rw} = D^{-1}L$  by solving  $Lu = \lambda Du$ 

$$U = \begin{pmatrix} u_1(1) & \dots & u_k(1) \\ \vdots & \dots & \vdots \\ u_1(i) & \dots & u_k(i) \\ \vdots & \dots & \vdots \\ u_1(n) & \dots & u_k(n) \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} y_1 \\ \vdots \\ y_i \\ \vdots \\ y_n \end{pmatrix} y_i \in \mathbb{R}^k$$
$$[C_1, \dots, C_k] \leftarrow kmeans(\{y_i\}_{i=1..n}, k)$$
Output : Clusters  $A_1, \dots A_k$  with  $A_i = \{x_j | y_j \in C_i\}$ 

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Pb : How to evaluate the quality of a clustering? ([3] Vinh 2010)

Basing the following array, we can compare two clusterings  $K = (K_1, ..., K_p)$  et  $C = (C_1, ..., C_r)$ 

	$K_1$	 $K_i$	 $K_p$	Sum
$C_1$	$ C_1 \cap K_1 $	 $ C_1 \cap K_i $	 $ C_1 \cap K_p $	$a_1$
:				
$C_{i'}$	$ C_{i'} \cap K_1 $	 $ C_{i'} \cap K_i $	 $ C_{i'} \cap K_p $	$a_{i'}$
:				
$C_r$	$ C_r \cap K_1 $	 $ C_r \cap K_i $	 $ C_r \cap K_p $	$a_r$
Sum	$b_1$	 $b_i$	 $b_p$	$\sum_{ij} n_{ij} = n$

## Information theoritic measures for clustering

$$H(C) = -\sum_{i=1}^{r} \frac{a_i}{n} \log\left(\frac{a_i}{n}\right)$$
 Entropy

$$H(C|K) = -\sum_{i=1}^{r} \sum_{j=1}^{p} \frac{n_{ij}}{n} \log\left(\frac{\frac{n_{ij}}{n}}{\frac{b_{j}}{n}}\right)$$

Conditional entropy

$$I(C, K) = \sum_{i=1}^{r} \sum_{j=1}^{p} \frac{n_{ij}}{n} \log\left(\frac{\frac{n_{ij}}{N}}{\frac{a_i b_j}{N^2}}\right)$$

Mutual Information

I(C,K) = H(C) - H(C|K) = H(K) - H(K|C)

Information theoritic measures for clustering

$$NMI(K,C) = \frac{I(K,C)}{\sqrt{H(C)H(K)}}$$

Normalized Mutual Information

 $0 \le NMI(K, C) \le 1$ if K = C then NMI(K, C) = 1

## Spectral Clustering vs Kmeans



Figure: Spectral Clustering vs Kmeans

## Influence of $\sigma$ (normal graph - 20 neighbors)



# Local scaling (normal graph - 20 neighbors)



## Influence of the noise

Experimental protocol :

- given two gaussian distributions (1000 points in each) ( $\mu_1, \sigma_1$ ) and ( $\mu_2, \sigma_2$ ) where  $\mu_1$  and  $\mu_2$  are fixed so that  $||\mu_1 - \mu_2|| = 1$ . We test our algorithm by varying  $\sigma_1$  and  $\sigma_2$  from 0.1 to 1



## Comparaison Normal Graph - Mutual Graph 2D



## Contour line Normal Graph - Mutual Graph 2D



## Comparaison Normal Graph - Mutual Graph 3D





## Comparaison Normal Graph - Mutual Graph 4D





Pb : the number of cluster k is unknown.

 $\rightarrow$  We test our algorithm for different values of k and we keep which has the largest value of NMI Database :





#### Figure: 2 Clusters (normal graph - 100 neighbors)





Figure: 4 Clusters

## Conclusion

Advantages of spectral clustering :

- quite simple to implement
- good results on our dataset

Future work :

- use other algorithm than kmeans to separate eigenvector
- clustering on one well of cells to identify the noise

Thanks for your attention Any questions ?

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