
Spectral Graph Multisection Through Orthogonality

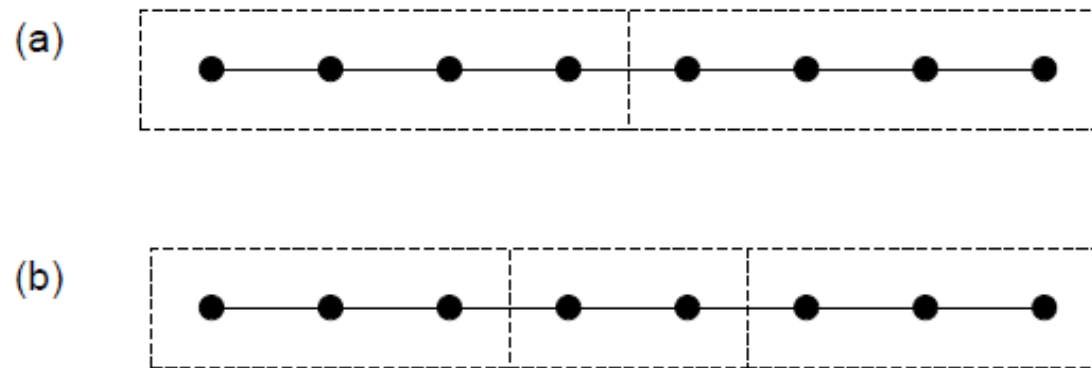
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Motivation

- Traditional graph spectral clustering algorithm is based on recursive bisection.



- Recursive bisection: 4/2/2 nodes
- Optimal partition: 3/3/2 nodes

Motivation

- **Can we cut the graph into multisections directly?**
- **Yes, but former approaches on graph multusection have a high time complexity and a low partition accuracy.**
- **We propose a multisection algorithm with a low time complexity and a competitive partition accuracy.**

Preliminary

- Spectral bisection algorithm by Dr. Newman
- Let s_i node i .
$$s_i = \begin{cases} +1 & \text{if node } i \text{ belongs to group 1.} \\ -1 & \text{if node } i \text{ belongs to group 2.} \end{cases}$$
- We can use s_i and s_j to indicate whether $\frac{1}{2}(s_i s_j + 1) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if node } i \text{ and } j \text{ belong to the same community} \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$
not:

Preliminary

- Modularity is the partition metric, if node i and j belong to the same community, then the modularity gain is B_{ij} .

- So the total modularity (or quality) is

$$Q = \frac{1}{4m} \sum_{ij} B_{ij} (s_i s_j + 1) = \frac{1}{4m} \sum_{ij} B_{ij} s_i s_j$$

- Since $\sum_{ij} B_{ij} = 0$,

Preliminary

- **Relax** the constrain $s_i \in \{-1, +1\}$ **t** $\sum_i s_i^2 = n$,
if there are n nodes in total.

- This is a classic optimization (maximize the modularity under the above constraint), which can be solved by

Lagrange multiplier

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial s_i} \left[\sum_{ij} B_{ij} s_i s_j + \beta (n - \sum_i s_i^2) \right] = 0$$

Preliminary

- Then (use a vector s to denote $[s_1 s_2 \dots]$
 $\sum_j B_{ij} s_j = \beta s_i$, or in matrix notation, $Bs = \beta s$.)
- This implies that the vector s should be an eigenvector of B .
- Recall $Q = \frac{1}{4m} s^T B s = \frac{1}{4m} s^T \beta s = \frac{n}{4m} \beta$

Preliminary

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- To maximize Q , the vector s should be the eigenvector corresponding to the largest eigenvalue of the modularity matrix.
 - Each element in this eigenvector stands for the group allocation of the corresponding node.
 - ***Round*** each element in the eigenvector to $\{-1, +1\}$, then we obtain the partition result.

Algorithm

- Basic idea: use a vector to present the group allocation, ins ± 1 d of (***we use more than one bit to present group allocation***).

- Our algorithm:
$$\bar{s}_i = \begin{cases} h_1 & \text{if node } i \text{ belongs to group 1.} \\ h_2 & \text{if node } i \text{ belongs to group 2.} \\ \vdots & \vdots \\ h_K & \text{if node } i \text{ belongs to group } K. \end{cases}$$

$$s_i = \begin{cases} +1 & \text{if node } i \text{ belongs to group 1.} \\ -1 & \text{if node } i \text{ belongs to group 2.} \end{cases}$$

- Classic approach:

Algorithm

- These vectors are mutually *orthogonal* to each other, which are produced by Hadamard matrix (h_i is the i -th row of it):

- $H_1 = [1], H_2 = \begin{bmatrix} +1 & +1 \\ +1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}, H_{2K} = \begin{bmatrix} +H_K & +H_K \\ +H_K & -H_K \end{bmatrix}$

- Our approach $\bar{s}_i \bar{s}_j = \begin{cases} 1 \\ 0 \end{cases}$ vs classical $\frac{1}{2}(s_i s_j + 1) = \begin{cases} 1 \\ 0 \end{cases}$

- For example, $\bar{s}_i = [+1 \ +1]$ and $\bar{s}_j = [+1 \ -1]$

Algorithm

- Basic idea: use a self-defined operation, *matrix inflation*, to present the modularity.
- Our approach: $Q = \frac{1}{2Km} \bar{s}^T \bar{B}_K \bar{s}$
- Classic approach: $Q = \frac{1}{4m} s^T B s$
- Then the following process is the same as the classic approach, but now we can do multisection directly.

Algorithm

- Self-defined operation: matrix inflation
- Definition: the Kronecker product of the matrix M and a $K \times K$ identity matrix.
- Example

$$M = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad \overline{M}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 2 \\ 3 & 0 & 4 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 & 0 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

Algorithm

- Additional issue: we use a *randomized matrix inflation* to keep relaxation effective.
- Time complexity (the graph has n nodes):
 - ∅ Our method: $O(K^4 n^2)$, where K is the estimated number of communities.
 - ∅ Recursive bisection algorithm:
 $O(n^2 \log n)$.

Evaluation

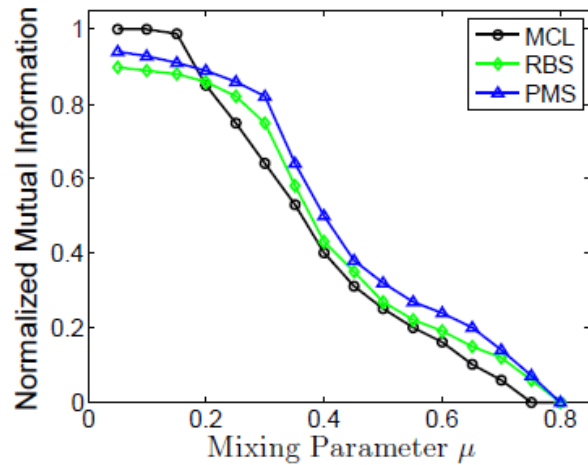
- Our evaluations are based on the LFR benchmark, where the node degree and the community size follow power-law, with exponents β and γ , respectively.
- Links between nodes in the same (different) community are called internal (external) links. A *mixing parameter*, u , is the ratio of the external node degree to the total degree.

Evaluation

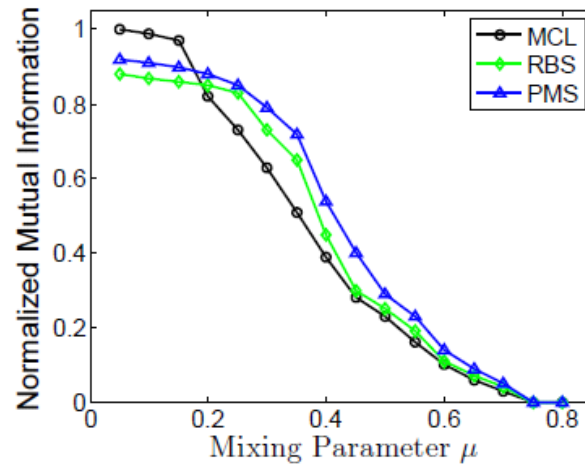
- Algorithms in comparison:
 - ∅ The recursive bisection algorithm (denoted as RBS) by Dr. Newman.
 - ∅ The Markov Cluster algorithm (MCL).
 - ∅ Proposed algorithm is denoted as PMS.

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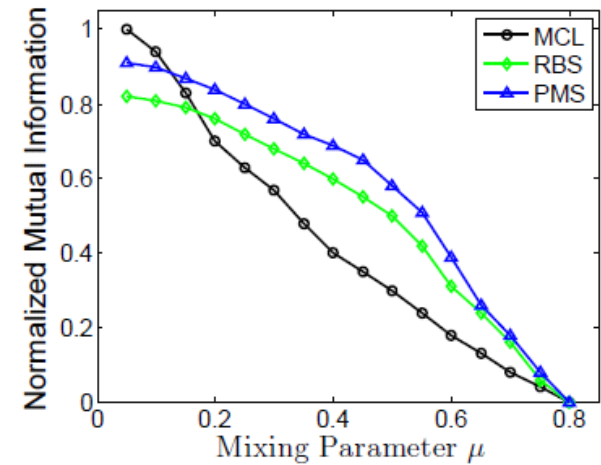
- LFR benchmark with $N=128$ nodes



(a) $\gamma = 3, \beta = 2$



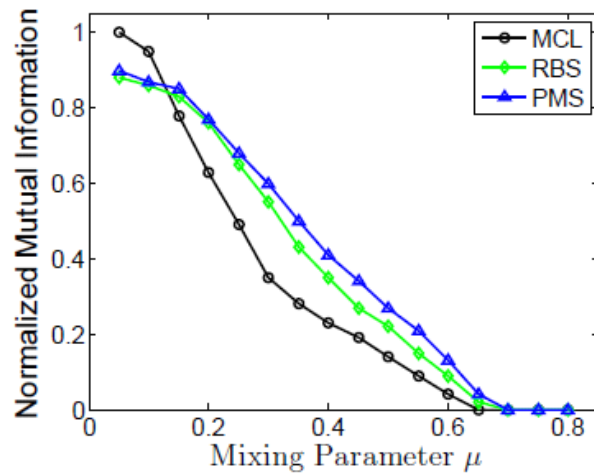
(b) $\gamma = 2, \beta = 2$



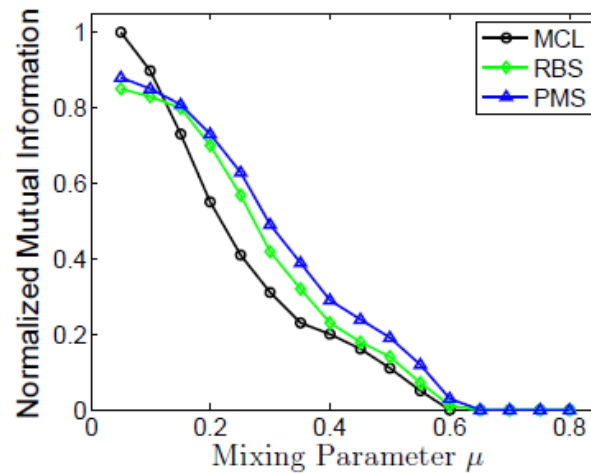
(c) $\gamma = 2, \beta = 3$

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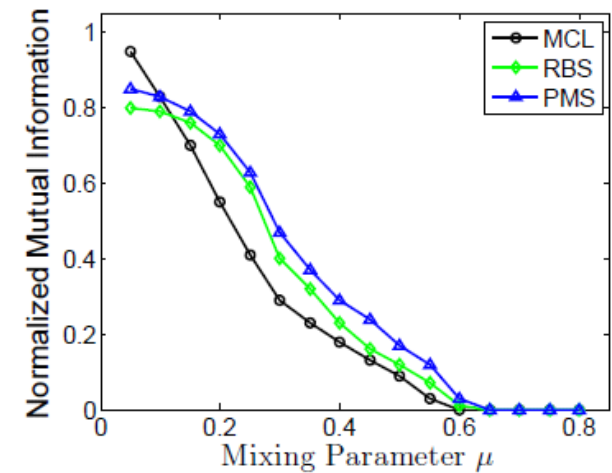
- LFR benchmark with $N=256$ nodes



(a) $\gamma = 3, \beta = 2$



(b) $\gamma = 2, \beta = 2$



(c) $\gamma = 2, \beta = 3$

Evaluation

- **Simulation summery:**
 - **Our algorithm outperforms recursive bisection algorithm. This is because our algorithm has “global” view of the partition, and recursive bisection is based on the “local” view.**
 - **Our algorithm has a competitive performance with a low time complexity.**
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Future work

- Real data evaluation.
 - Tests in large-scale networks.
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Thank you !

Q & A
