

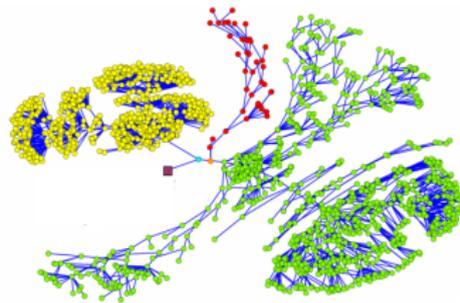
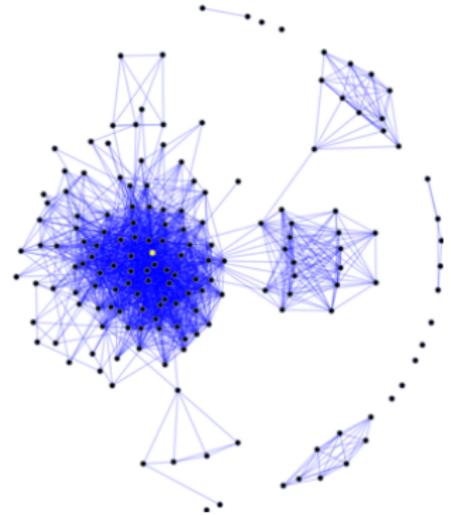
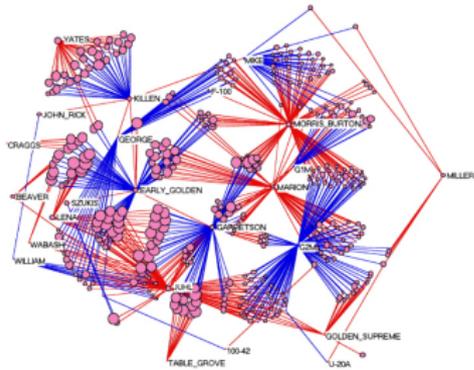


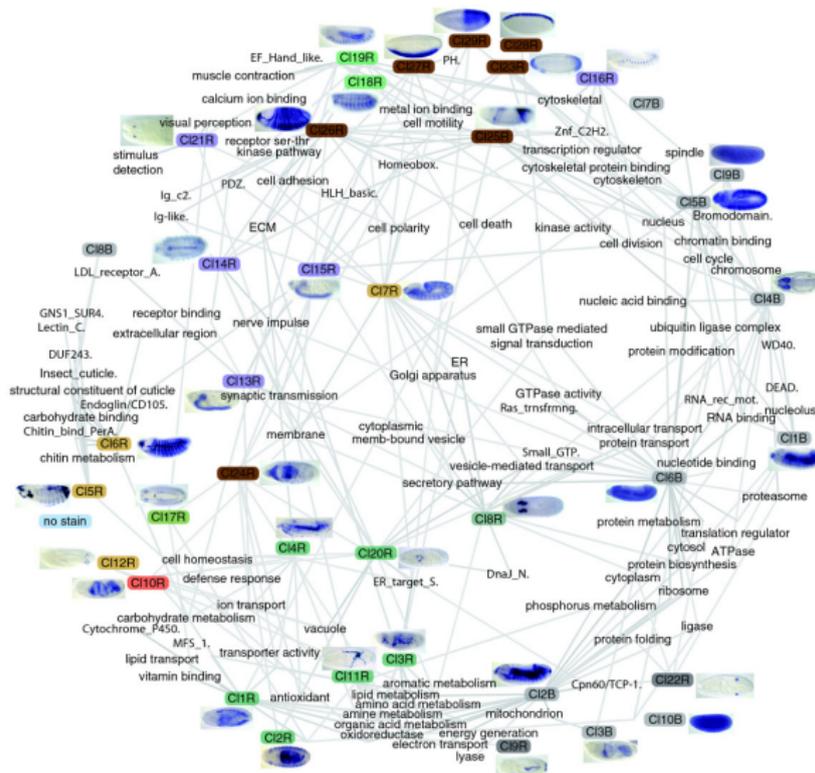
# Partitioning/Coarse Graining and Embedding of Networks

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Undirected, connected network: Graph  $G = (V, E)$ ,  $V = \{1, \dots, n\}$ ,  
 $E \subset V \times V$

Edge weights:

$$w(x, y) \begin{cases} > 0 & \text{if } (x, y) \in E \\ = 0 & \text{if } (x, y) \notin E \end{cases}$$

Transition Probabilities:

$$d(x) = \sum_y w(x, y), \quad p(x, y) = \frac{w(x, y)}{d(x)}.$$

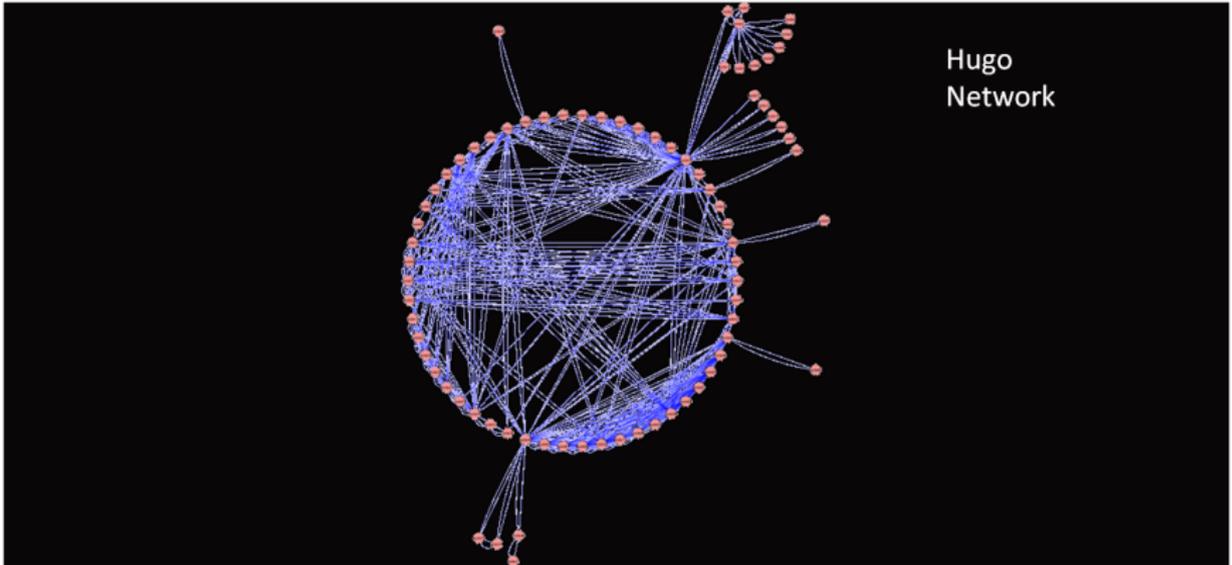
Random Walker on the Network!

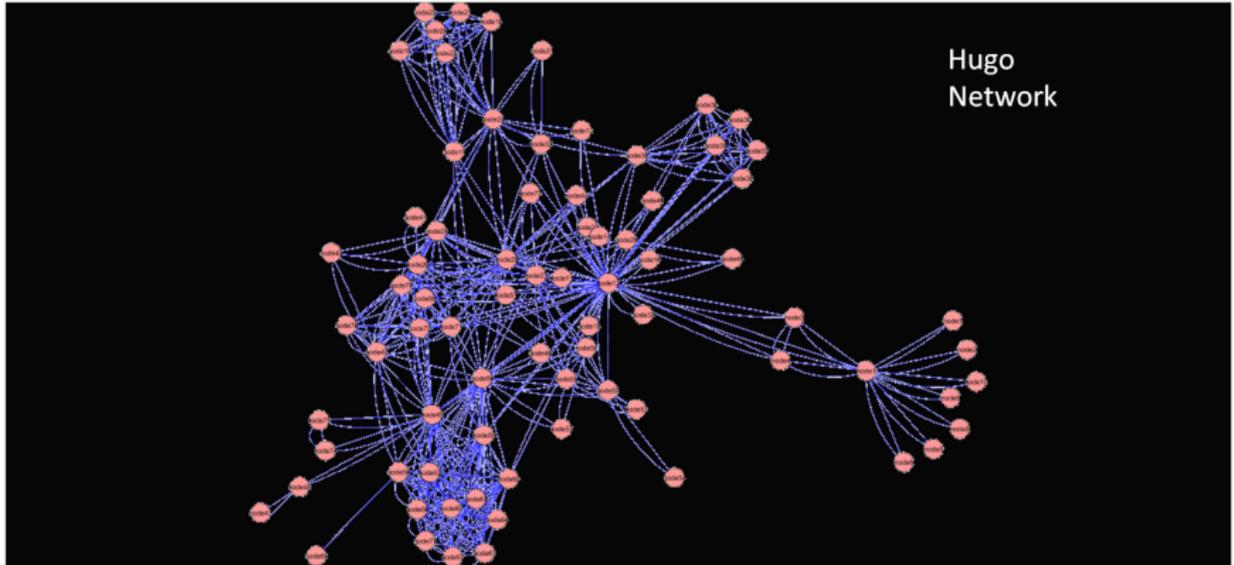


Victor Hugo: Les Miserables.

Weighted network given by coappearances of characters in Victor Hugo's novel "Les Miserables".

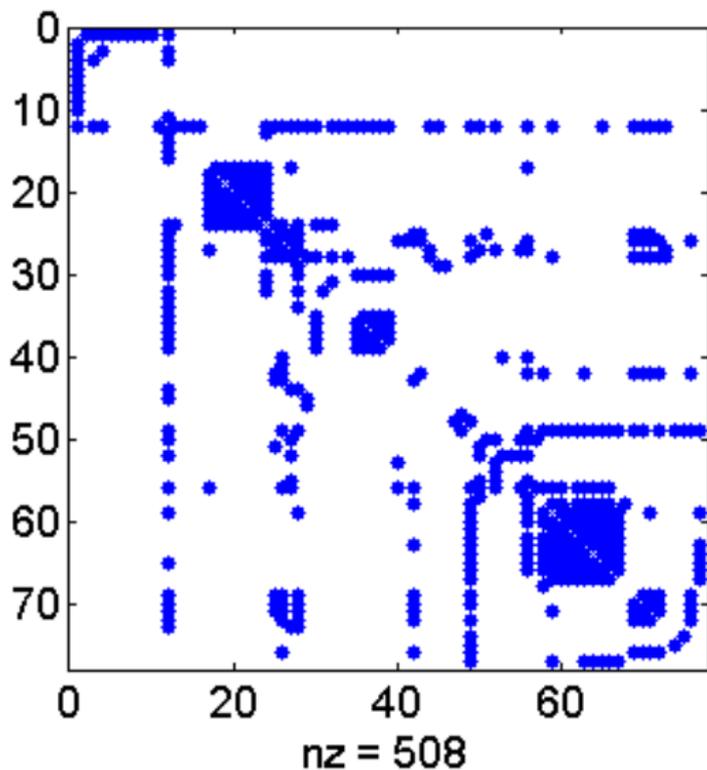
Each character is represented by a node in the graph and we put an edge connecting two nodes, if the corresponding characters appear in the same chapter. Moreover each edge is weighted by the number of coappearances. The network consists of 77 nodes and 254 weighted edges.





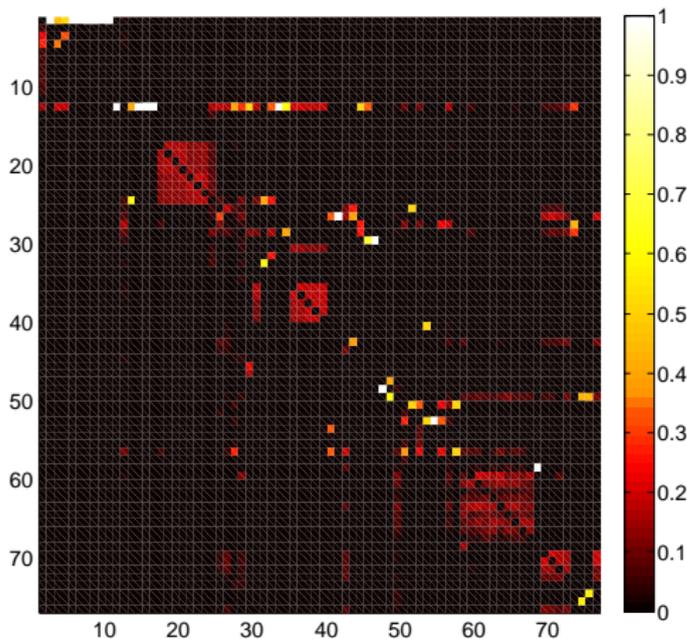


# Example: Hugo-Network IV





$\lambda = \dots, -0.7269, 0.7746, 0.8337, 0.8862, 0.9270, 1.0000$





Invariant measure

$$\mu(x) = \frac{d(x)}{\sum_x d(x)} \quad \Rightarrow \quad \sum_x \mu(x)p(x, y) = \mu(y).$$

Undirected network:

$$w(x, y) = w(y, x) \quad \Rightarrow \quad \mu(x)p(x, y) = \mu(y)p(y, x).$$

Markov chain  $p(x, y)$  is reversible!



Propagation of probability distributions  $u(x), x \in V$

$$(u^T P)(y) = \sum_x u(x)p(x, y)$$

Scalar product

$$\langle u, v \rangle_\mu = \sum_x u(x)v(x)\mu(x).$$

Reversibility implies symmetry of  $P$ :

$$\langle u, Pv \rangle_\mu = \langle Pu, v \rangle_\mu.$$

Eigenvalue of  $P$  are real-valued!

$$\sigma(P) = \{1 = \lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_n\} \subset (-1, 1]$$



Left and right eigenvectors

$$\psi_k^T P = \lambda_k \psi_k, \quad P \phi_k = \lambda_k \phi_k$$

Diagonalization of  $P$

$$p(x, y) = \sum_{k=1}^n \lambda_k \phi(x) \psi_k(y)$$

Simple algebra

$$\psi_k(y) = \mu(y) \phi(y)$$

Consequence

$$p(x, y) = \sum_{k=1}^n \lambda_k \phi(x) \phi_k(y) \mu(y)$$



Transition probabilities for larger times  $t$

$$p_{t+1}(x, y) = \sum_z p(x, z)p_t(z, y), \quad p_1(x, y) = p(x, y).$$

Consequence

$$p_t(x, y) = \sum_{k=1}^n \lambda_k^t \phi_k(x) \phi_k(y) \mu(y)$$

Since  $\phi_1 = \mathbf{1}$  and  $1 = |\lambda_1| > \lambda_k$  for all  $k > 1$ :

$$p_t(x, y) \rightarrow \mu(y), \quad \text{for } t \rightarrow \infty$$



Definition of Frobenius Norm of transition probabilities  $p(x, y)$

$$\|p\|_{\mu}^2 = \sum_{xy} \frac{\mu(x)}{\mu(y)} |p(x, y)|^2$$

Diagonalization implies

$$\|p\|_{\mu}^2 = \sum_k \lambda_k^2$$

Distance of some other networks  $p_2$  from our given network  $p$

$$E(p_2) = \|p_2 - p\|_{\mu}^2$$



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$N$ -set partitions:

$$S_1, \dots, S_N \subset V, \quad \cup_j S_j = V, \quad i \neq j \Rightarrow S_i \cap S_j = \emptyset$$

Set of all  $N$ -set partitions:  $\mathcal{S}_N$

Coarse grained state space:  $\hat{V} = \{1, \dots, N\}$

Let  $\hat{p}$  be any stochastic matrix on  $\hat{V}$ .

Lift of  $\hat{p}$  to  $V$  (reversible if  $\hat{p}$  reversible)

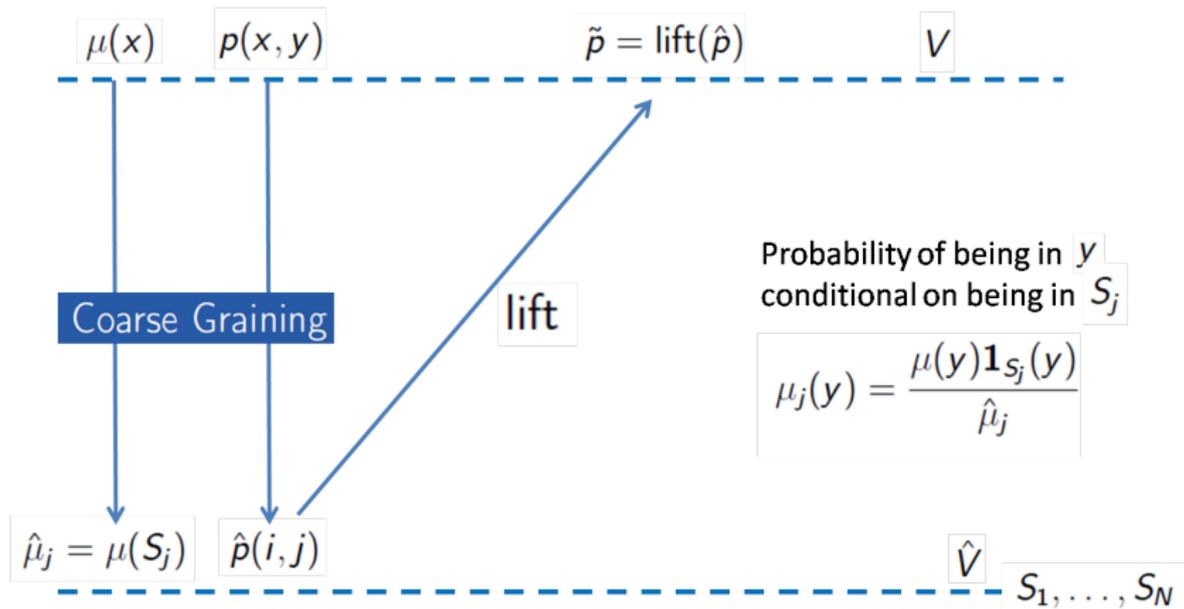
$$\tilde{p} = \text{lift}(\hat{p}), \quad \tilde{p}(x, y) = \sum_{ij} \mathbf{1}_{S_i}(x) \hat{p}(i, j) \mu_j(y)$$

Choose  $y$  from  $S_j$  due to invariant measure

$$\mu_j(y) = \frac{\mu(y) \mathbf{1}_{S_j}(y)}{\hat{\mu}_j}, \quad \hat{\mu}_j = \mu(S_j) = \sum_{x \in S_j} \mu(x)$$



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Energy functional

$$E(\hat{p}) = \|p - \text{lift}(\hat{p})\|_{\mu}^2$$

Optimal coarse grained transition matrix = lift has smallest distance to  $p$

$$\hat{p}^* = \operatorname{argmin}_{\hat{p}} E(\hat{p})$$

with *constraints*

1.  $\hat{p}$  stochastic matrix, i.e.,  $\hat{p}(i, j) \geq 0$ ,  $\sum_j \hat{p}(i, j) = 1$
2.  $\hat{\mu}$  invariant measure of  $\hat{p}$ , i.e.,  $\sum_i \hat{\mu}(i) \hat{p}(i, j) = \hat{\mu}(j)$

Explicit solution

$$\hat{p}^*(i, j) = \sum_{x \in S_i, y \in S_j} \mu_i(x) p(x, y) = \frac{\langle P \mathbf{1}_{S_i}, \mathbf{1}_{S_j} \rangle_{\mu}}{\langle \mathbf{1}_{S_i}, \mathbf{1}_{S_i} \rangle_{\mu}}$$



Functional

$$E(S_1, \dots, S_N) = E(\hat{p}^*[S_1, \dots, S_N]) = \|p\|_{\mu}^2 - \|\hat{p}^*[S_1, \dots, S_N]\|_{\hat{\mu}}^2$$

Optimal Partition

$$[S_1^*, \dots, S_N^*] = \operatorname{argmin}_{[S_1, \dots, S_N]} E(S_1, \dots, S_N)$$

Iterative computation via a variant of K-means!



Definition:

$p(x, y)$  is (perfectly) lumpable wrt.  $S_1, \dots, S_N$  iff the random walker associated with  $p(x, y)$  is Markov on  $S_1, \dots, S_N$

Minimal energy: Minimization over ALL rank- $N$   $n \times n$ -matrices  $\tilde{p}$

$$E^* = \min_{\tilde{p}} E(\tilde{p}) = \min_{\tilde{p}} \|p - \tilde{p}\|_{\mu}^2$$

Theorem:

1.  $E(\hat{p}^*[S_1, \dots, S_N]) \geq E^*$
2.  $E(\hat{p}^*[S_1, \dots, S_N]) = E^*$  iff  $p(x, y)$  is lumpable wrt.  $S_1, \dots, S_N$



$n = 4$  and transition matrix (eigenvalues:  $\lambda = 1, 0, 0, -1$ )

$$P = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0.5 & 0 & 0.5 \\ 0.5 & 0 & 0.5 & 0 \\ 0 & 0.5 & 0 & 0.5 \\ 0.5 & 0 & 0.5 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

Optimal coarse graining for  $N = 2$ :  $S_1 = \{1, 3\}$  and  $S_2 = \{2, 4\}$

$$\hat{P}^* = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$E(\hat{P}^*) = E^*$ , i.e., perfectly lumpable into two PERIODIC clusters.

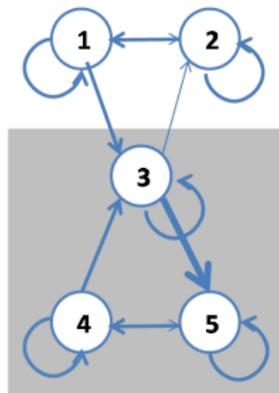
$$p = \begin{pmatrix} 0.5 & 0.4 & 0.1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0.5 & 0.5 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & a & 0.2 & 0 & 0.8 - a \\ 0 & 0 & 0.1 & 0.4 & 0.5 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0.5 & 0.5 \end{pmatrix},$$

$$\|p\|_{\mu}^2 \approx 2$$

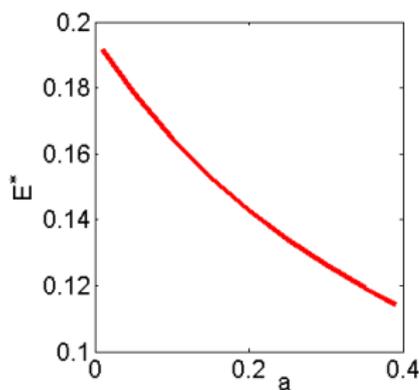
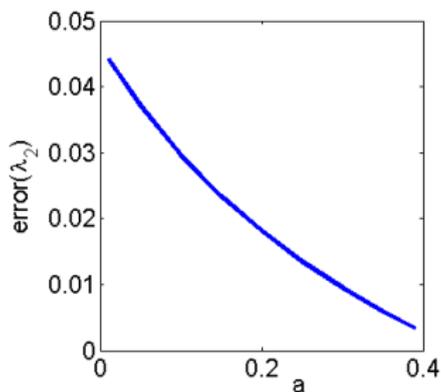
$$S_1, S_2 = \{1, 2\}, \{3, 4, 5\}$$

$$\text{err}(\lambda) = \lambda_2(p) - \lambda_2(\hat{p})$$

$$E^* = \min \|p - \hat{p}\|_{\mu}^2$$



Diagram





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Deterministic affiliation functions:

$$W(x, i) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } C(x) = i \quad x \in S_i \\ 0 & \text{if } C(x) \neq i \quad x \notin S_i \end{cases}$$

"Fuzzy" affiliation functions:  $C : V \rightarrow V^*$  is a random variable

$$W(x, i) = \text{Prob}(C(x) = i)$$

Therefore:

$$\begin{aligned} W(x, i) &\geq 0 \\ \sum_i W(x, i) &= 1 \end{aligned}$$



Coarse grained transition matrix on  $\hat{V}$ :  $\hat{p} = \hat{p}(i, j)$

Lift of  $\hat{p}$  wrt. fuzzy affiliation function  $W$

$$\begin{aligned}\text{lift}_W(\hat{p})(x, y) &= \text{Expect}\left(\hat{p}(C(x), C(y)) \cdot \frac{\mu(y)}{\hat{\mu}(C(y))}\right) \\ &= \sum_{ij} W(x, i) \hat{p}(i, j) W(y, j) \frac{\mu(y)}{\hat{\mu}(j)}\end{aligned}$$

with

$$\hat{\mu}(i) = \sum_x \mu(x) W(x, i)$$



Lift of  $\hat{p}$  wrt. fuzzy affiliation function  $W$

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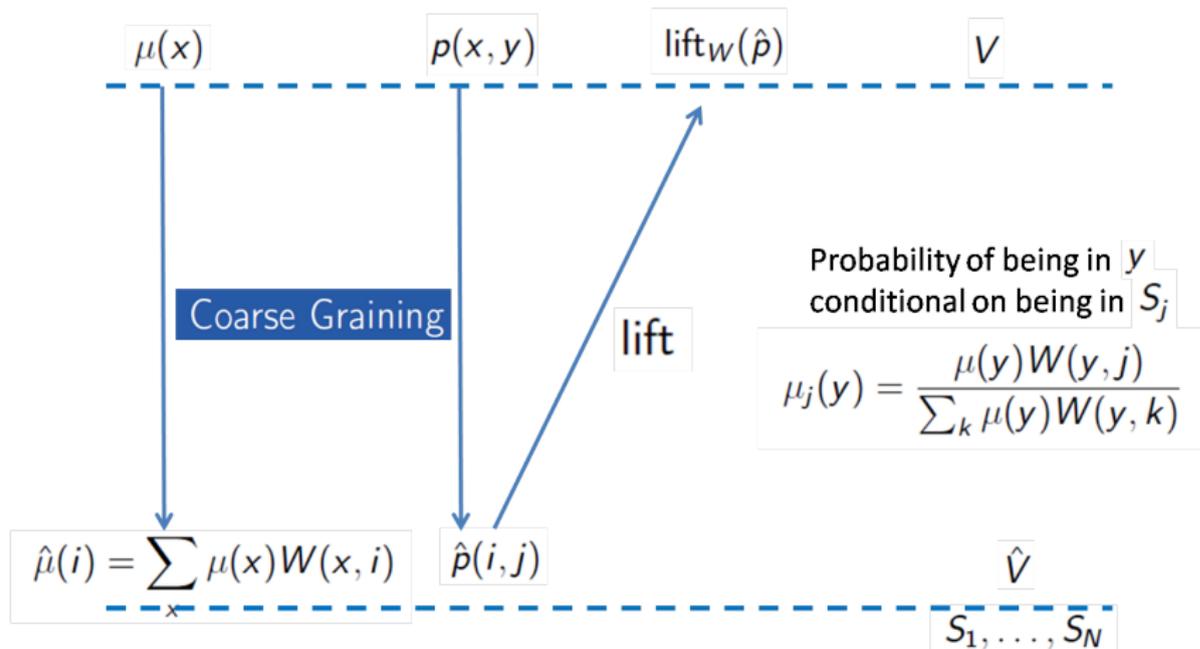
1. Being in state  $x$ , pick  $i$  wrt. probability  $W(x, \cdot)$
2. Pick  $j$  wrt. probability  $\hat{p}(i, \cdot)$
3. Pick  $y$  wrt. the equilibrium probability distribution of the original chain conditional on  $C(y) = j$ ,

$$\mu_j(y) = \frac{\mu(y) W(y, j)}{\sum_k \mu(y) W(y, k)}$$



# Fuzzy Partition - Interpretation

$$\text{lift}_W(\hat{p})(x, y) = \sum_{ij} W(x, i) \hat{p}(i, j) W(y, j) \frac{\mu(y)}{\hat{\mu}(j)}$$





## Energy functional

$$E(\hat{p}, W) = \|\rho - \text{lift}_W(\hat{p})\|_\mu^2$$

Optimal coarse grained transition matrix = lift has smallest distance to  $\rho$

$$(\hat{p}^*, W^*) = \operatorname{argmin}_{\hat{p}, W} E(\hat{p}, W)$$

with *constraints*

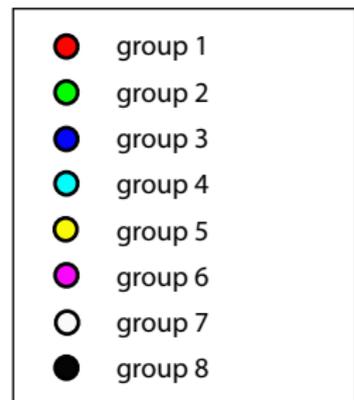
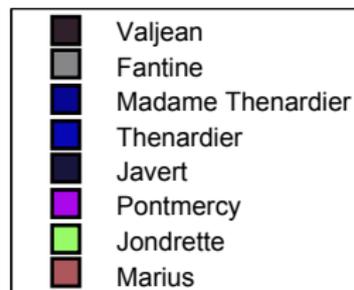
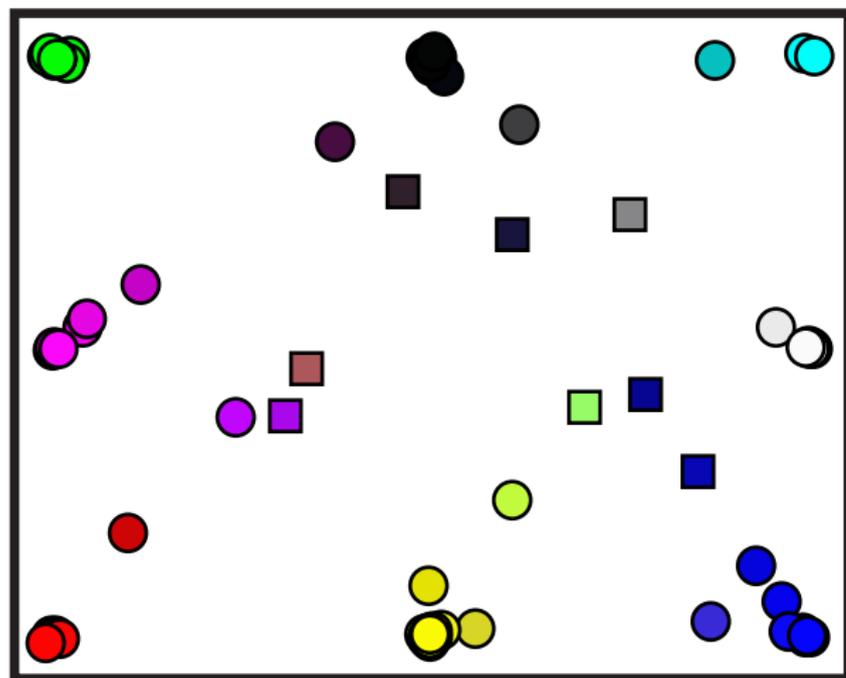
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2.  $\hat{p}$  stochastic matrix, i.e.,  $\hat{p}(i, j) \geq 0$ ,  $\sum_j \hat{p}(i, j) = 1$
3.  $\hat{\mu}$  is coarse graining of  $\mu$ :  $\hat{\mu}(i) = \sum_x W(x, i)\mu(x)$

No explicit solution!

Constrained (projected) gradient descent algorithm!



# Example: Hugo-Network VII





# Example: Hugo-Network VIII

## group 1:

Bamatabois  
Judge  
Champmathieu  
Brevet  
Chenildieu  
Coch epaille

## group 2:

Myriel  
Napoleon  
Mlle Baptistine  
Mme Magloire  
CountessDeLo  
Geborand  
Champtercier  
Cravatte  
Count  
OldMan

## group 3:

Boulatruelle  
Eponine  
Anzelma  
Gueulemer  
Babet  
Claquesous  
Montparasse  
Brujon

## group 4:

Fauchelevet  
MotherInnocent  
Gribier

## group 5:

Gillenormand  
Magnon  
Mlle Gillenormand  
Mme Pontmercy  
Mlle Vaubois  
Lt Gillenormand  
Baroness T

## group 6:

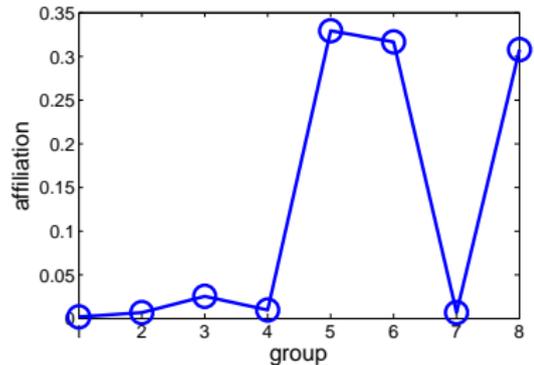
Mme Burgon  
Gavroche  
Mabeuf  
Enjolras  
Combeferre  
Prouvaire  
Feuilly  
Courfeyrac  
Bahorel  
Bossuet  
Joly  
Grantaire  
Mother Plutarch  
Child1  
Child2  
Mme Hucheloup

## group 7:

Tholomyes  
Listolier  
Fameuil  
Blacheville  
Favourite  
Dahlia  
Zephine

## group 8:

Labarre  
Marguerite  
Mme De R  
Isabeau  
Gervais  
Cosette  
Perpetue  
Simplice  
Scaufflaire  
Woman1  
Woman2  
Toussaint





# Example: Hugo-Network IX

## group 1:

Bamatabois  
Judge  
Champmathieu  
Brevet  
Chenildieu  
Coch epaille

## group 5:

Jondrette  
MmeBurgon  
Gavroche  
Mabeuf  
Enjolras  
Combeferre  
Prouvaire  
Feuilly  
Courfeyrac  
Bahorel  
Bossuet  
Joly  
Grantaire  
MotherPlutarch  
MmeHucheloup

## group 2:

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MlleBaptistine  
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Listolier  
Fameuil  
Blacheville  
Favourite  
Dahlia  
Zephine  
Fantine

## group 6:

Child1  
Child2

## group 3:

MmeThenardier  
Javert  
Anzelma  
MotherInnocent  
MmePontmercy  
Marius  
Claquesous  
Brujon

## group 7:

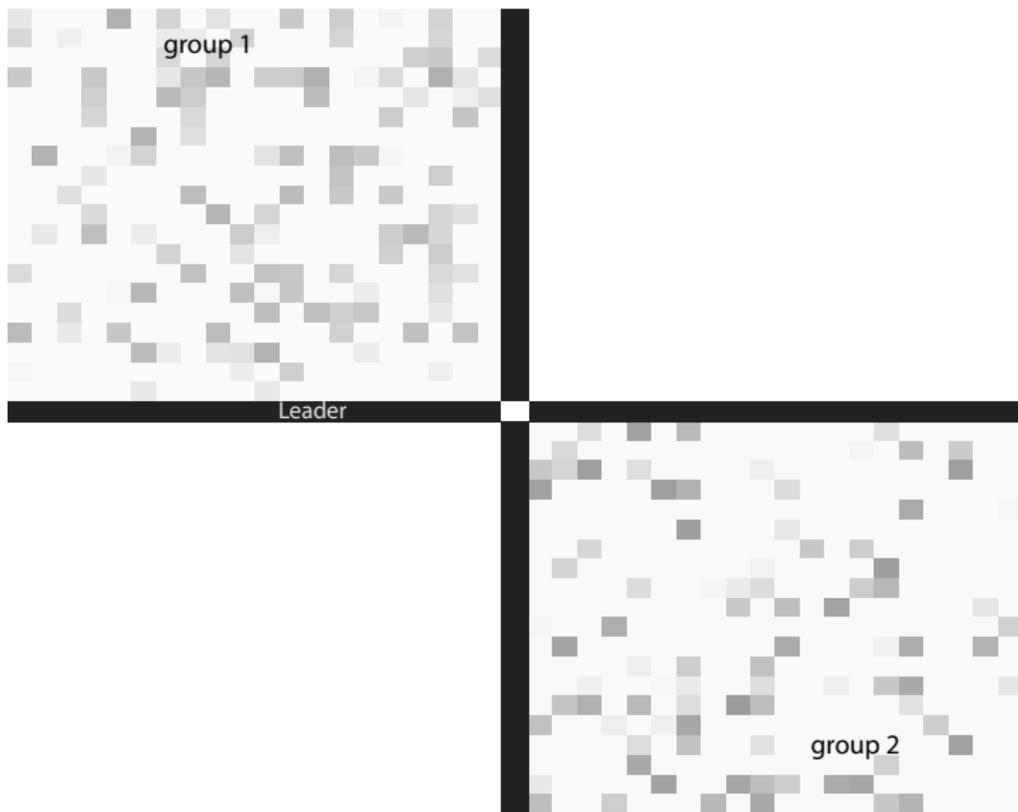
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Eponine  
Gribier  
Gillenormand  
MlleVaubois  
LtGillenormand  
Babet  
Toussaint

## group 4:

Labarre  
MmeDeR  
Isabeau  
Gervais  
Thenardier  
Cosette  
Fachelevent  
Simplice  
Scaufflaire  
Woman1  
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Montparnasse



# Example: Hugo-Network X





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Functional using

$$\mathcal{D}(S_1, \dots, S_N) = \sum_{i=1}^N \hat{p}^*(i, i)$$

with

$$\hat{p}^* = \hat{p}^*[S_1, \dots, S_N] = \sum_{x \in S_i, y \in S_j} \mu_i(x) p(x, y)$$

Optimal Partition

$$[S_1^*, \dots, S_N^*] = \operatorname{argmax}_{[S_1, \dots, S_N]} \mathcal{D}(S_1, \dots, S_N).$$

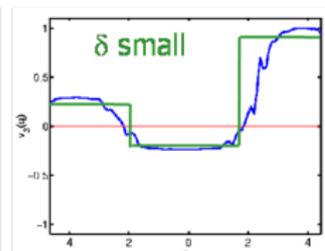
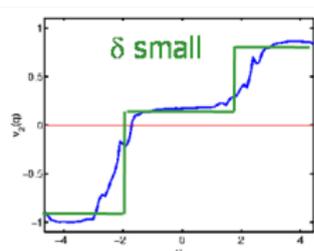
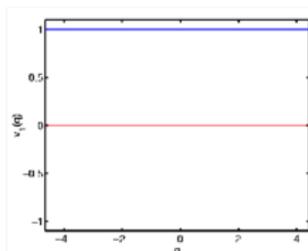
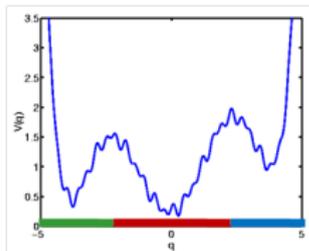
Iterative computation via a variant of K-means!



Sets:  $S_1, \dots, S_N$

$Q$ : Projection onto  $D_N = \text{span}\{\chi_{S_1}, \dots, \chi_{S_N}\}$

$\delta_j = \|(Id - Q)\phi_j\|_{2,\mu}$ : non-steplikeness of eigenvectors





Theorem:

For ANY  $N$  aggregation sets  $S_1, \dots, S_N$

$$(1 - \delta_n)^2 \cdot \lambda_n + \dots + \lambda_1 + c \leq \sum_{i=1}^N \hat{p}^*(i, i) \leq \lambda_n + \dots + \lambda_1$$

with

$$c = -\lambda_{N+1}(\delta_n^2 + \dots + \delta_2^2)$$

To find optimal aggregation sets minimize  $\delta = \max_j \delta_j$ .



Diffusion distance and eigenvectors

$$d^2(x, y) = \sum_{z \in V} \frac{p(x, z) - p(y, z)}{\mu(z)} = \sum_k \lambda_k^2 \cdot (\phi_k(x) - \phi_k(y))^2$$

Diffusion map  $\Phi : V \rightarrow \mathbf{R}^n$  introduces new "coordinates"

$$\Phi(x) = (\lambda_1 \phi_1(x), \dots, \lambda_n \phi_n(x))$$

Centroid of subsets  $S_i \subset V$

$$\phi_k(S_i) = \frac{1}{\mu(S_i)} \sum_{y \in S_i} \mu(y) \phi_k(y) \quad (1)$$

$$\Phi(S_i) = (\lambda_1 \phi_1(S_i), \dots, \lambda_n \phi_n(S_i)) \quad (2)$$



# Diffusion maps - better known version II

Average diffusion distance from centroid within  $S_i$

$$\bar{d}^2(S_i) = \sum_{x \in S_i} \mu(x) \|\Phi(x) - \Phi(S_i)\|^2$$

Diffusion map minimization

$$\min_{[S_1, \dots, S_N]} \sum_{i=1}^N \bar{d}^2(S_i)$$

minimization via k-means (only) if eigenvector  $\phi_k$  are known!

Diffusion map minimization is equivalent to

$$\max_{[S_1, \dots, S_N]} \sum_{x \in S_i, y \in S_j} \mu_i(x) p(x, y).$$



Nodes are associated with coordinates

$$V = (x_1, \dots, x_n)$$

Edge weights

$$w(x_i, x_j) = \begin{cases} \exp\left(-\frac{\|x_i - x_j\|^2}{2\epsilon^2}\right) & \text{if } \|x_i - x_j\| \leq \epsilon \text{ and } (x_i, x_j) \in E \\ 0 & \text{if } \|x_i - x_j\| > \epsilon \text{ or } (x_i, x_j) \notin E \end{cases}$$

as usual for the transition probabilities

$$p(x_i, x_j) = \frac{w(x_i, x_j)}{\sum_k w(x_i, x_k)}$$

Often used with diffusion maps!



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Definition of Network Laplacian based on edge weights  $w(x, y)$ :

$$L(x, y) = \begin{cases} w(x, y) & \text{if } x \neq y \\ -\sum_z w(x, z) & \text{if } x = y \end{cases}$$

and

$$D(x, y) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } x \neq y \\ \sum_z w(x, z) & \text{if } x = y \end{cases}$$

Laplacian is symmetric!

Eigenvalues and -vectors ( $0 = \lambda_1 > \lambda_2 \geq \dots \geq \lambda_n$ )

$$Lu_k = \lambda_k Du_k$$



Find map  $\xi : V \rightarrow \mathbf{R}^m$  such that nodes with high weights stay close together!

Minimize

$$\frac{1}{2} \sum_{x,y} (\xi(x) - \xi(y))^2 w(x,y) = \xi^T L \xi, \quad \xi = (\xi(1), \dots, \xi(n))^T$$

with constraints

1. Avoid trivial solution  $\langle \mathbf{1}, D\xi \rangle = 0$
2. Removing arbitrary scaling  $\langle \xi, D\xi \rangle = 1$

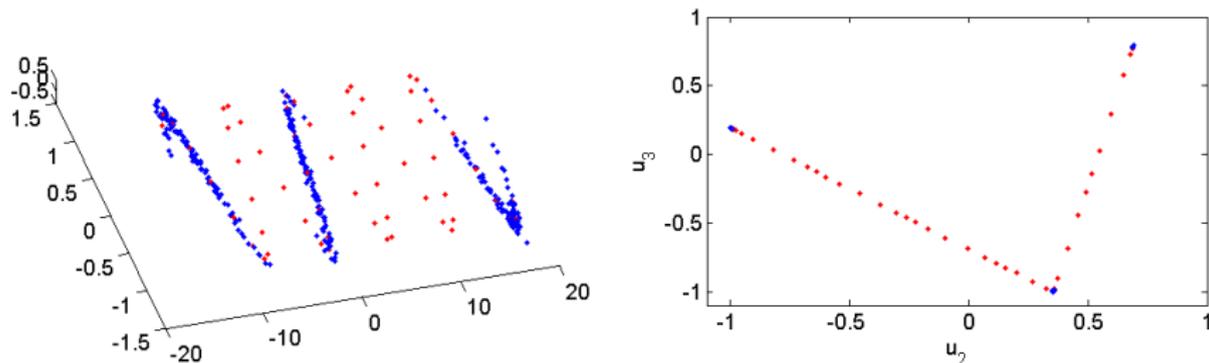
Explicit solution given by eigenvectors

$$\xi(x) = (u_2(x), \dots, u_{m+1}(x))$$



# Example: Laplacian Eigenmaps

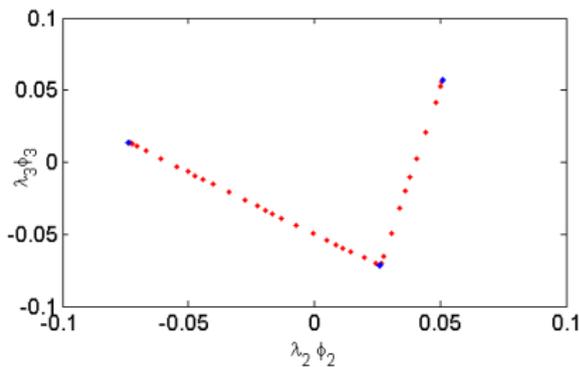
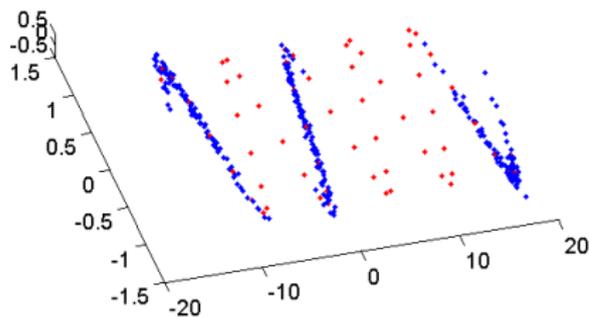
330 data points in  $\text{dim} = 300$ , almost lying on a sine-like 1d-manifold  
Eigenmaps with  $\epsilon = 1$



$\lambda_1$	$\lambda_2$	$\lambda_3$	$\lambda_4$	...
0.0000	0.0001	0.0003	0.0389	...



330 data points in  $\text{dim} = 300$ , almost lying on a sine-like 1d-manifold  
Diffusion maps with  $\epsilon = 1$



$\lambda_1$	$\lambda_2$	$\lambda_3$	$\lambda_4$	...
1.0000	0.9999	0.9997	0.9701	...



## Question

What does the Laplacian approximate in the limit for  $n \rightarrow \infty$  ?

## Problem

Find map  $f : \mathcal{M} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$  such that points close together on the manifold are mapped closely together.

## Solution

$$f(x) = (\eta_1(x), \dots, \eta_m(x))^T$$

where  $\eta_1, \dots, \eta_m$  are the **eigenfunctions** of the first  $m$  non-trivial eigenvalues  $0 < \lambda_1 \leq \dots \leq \lambda_m$  of the eigenvalue problem,

$$\mathcal{L}\eta = \lambda\eta,$$

where  $\mathcal{L}$  is the **Laplace-Beltrami** operator:

$$\mathcal{L}f \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \Delta_{\mathcal{M}}f, \quad f \in C^2(\mathcal{M})$$



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<i>Method</i>	<i>Partitioning</i>	<i>Low-dim. embedding</i>
Optimal aggregation	YES, deterministic $\min \ p - \text{lift}(\hat{p})\ _{\mu}^2$	NO
Optimal Fuzzy Aggregation	YES, fuzzy $\min \ p - \text{lift}_W(\hat{p})\ _{\mu}^2$	NO
Diffusion maps	YES, deterministic $\max_i \sum_{x \in S_i} \sum_{y \in S_j} \mu_j(x) p(x, y)$	YES, if spectr. gap $(\lambda_2 \phi_2, \dots, \lambda_m \phi_m)$
Laplacian eigenmaps	NO	YES, if spectr. gap $(u_2, \dots, u_m)$