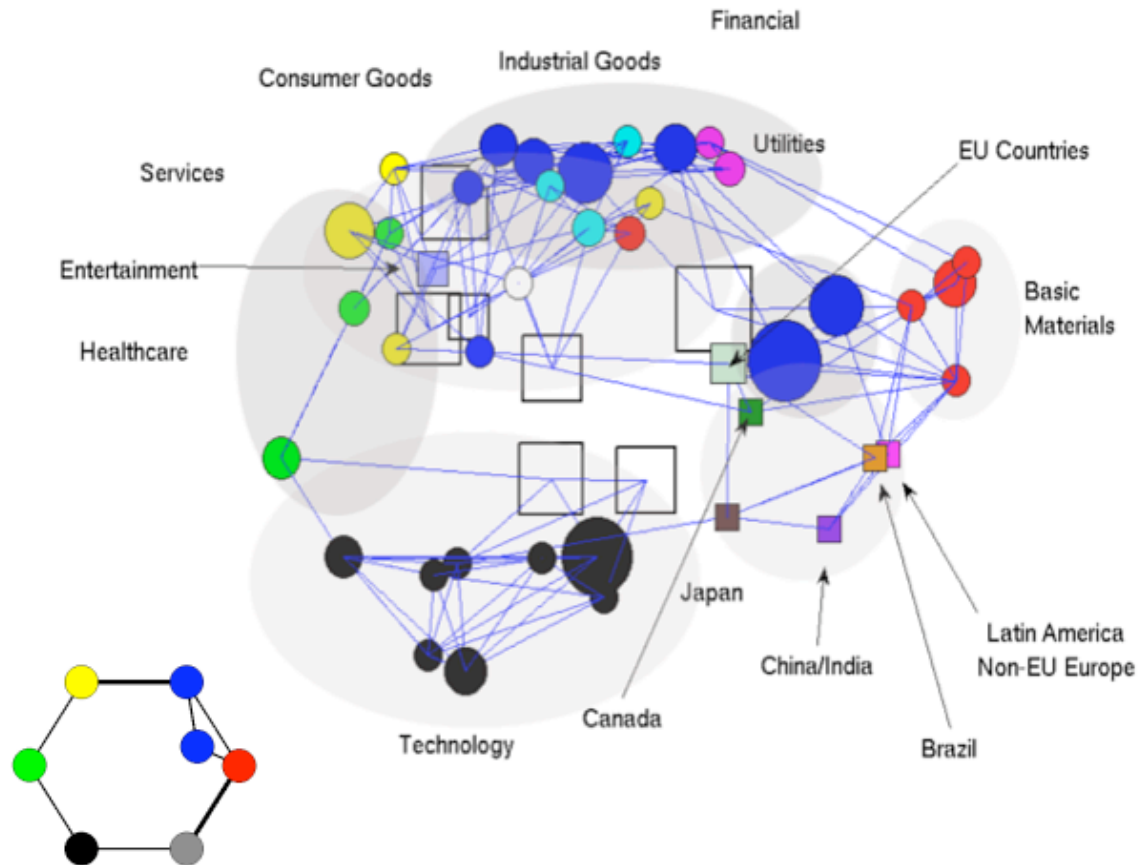
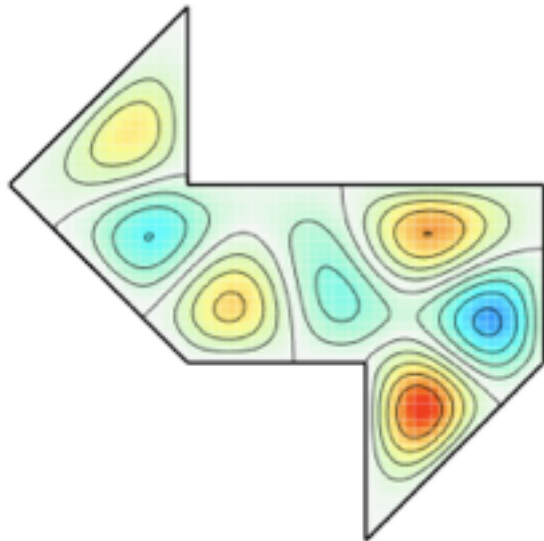
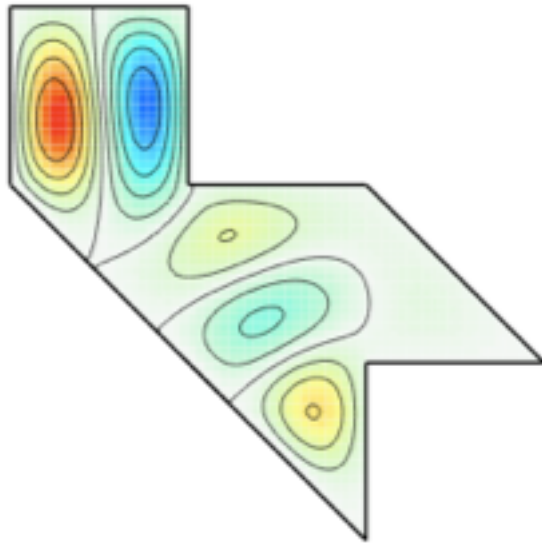


Unsupervised Learning in Complex Systems

Part B: Can you hear the shape of the market?

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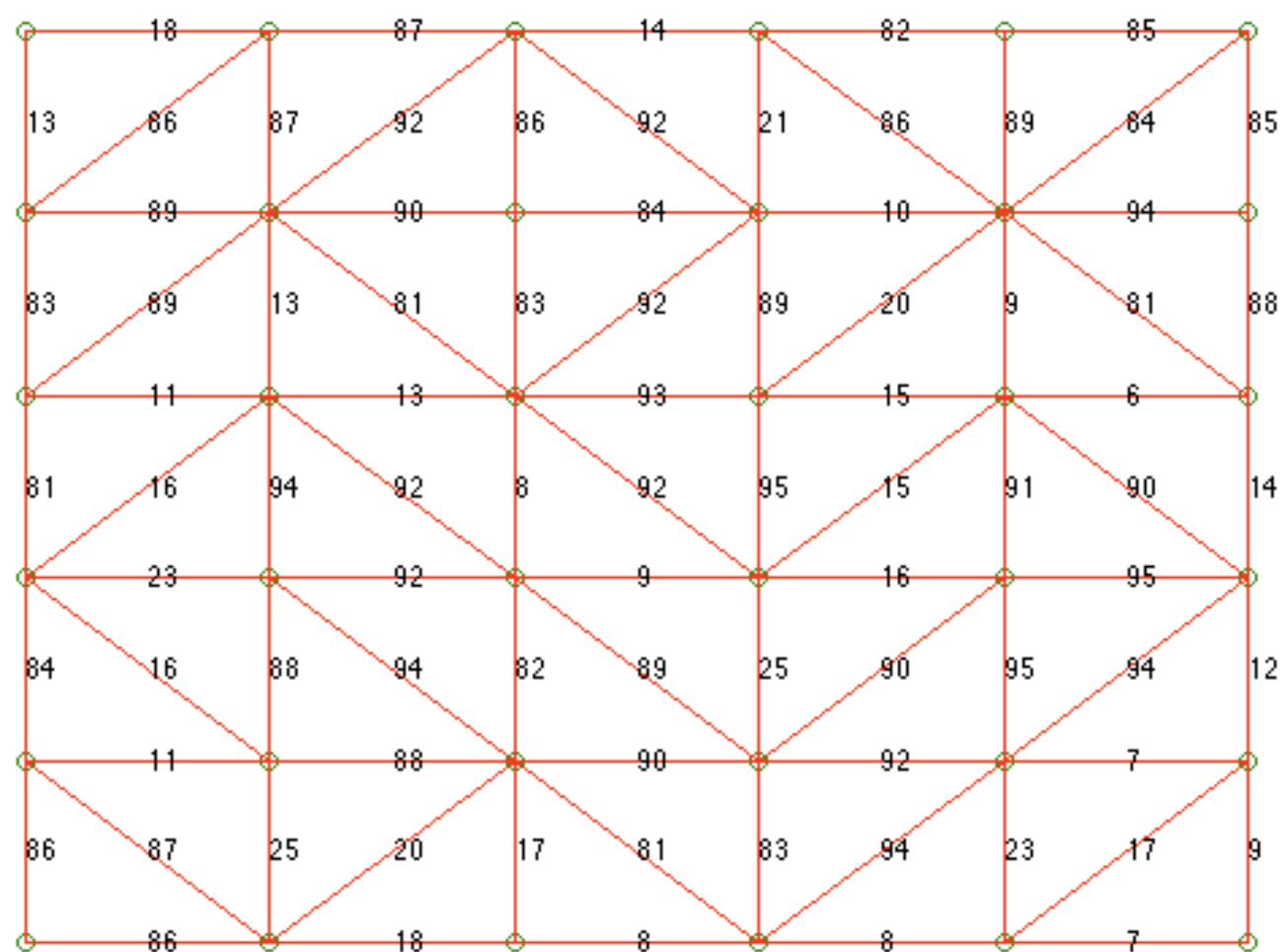
Gregory Leibon

Memento Security & Dartmouth College

What we do...

- Introduce random walks on a network and describe Vagabond Clustering
- We then “relax” Vagabond Clustering and describe Spectral Clustering
- Examine the topological properties of Spectral Clustering
- Listen to the Spectrally Clustered Market and 109th congress.

Conductance
(or similarity)
Network.



$W =$

0	86	0	0	0	0	90	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
86	0	10	0	0	0	96	6	13	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	10	0	18	0	0	0	0	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	18	0	8	0	0	0	97	92	93	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	8	0	16	0	0	0	0	15	6	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	16	0	0	0	0	0	0	17	0	0	0	0	0
90	96	0	0	0	0	0	17	0	0	0	0	96	0	0	0	0
0	6	0	0	0	0	17	0	94	0	0	0	13	86	0	0	0
0	13	6	97	0	0	0	94	0	91	0	0	0	100	96	0	0
0	0	0	92	0	0	0	0	91	0	95	0	0	0	99	19	9
0	0	0	93	15	0	0	0	0	95	0	12	0	0	0	0	9
0	0	0	0	6	17	0	0	0	0	12	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	96	13	0	0	0	0	0	8	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	86	100	0	0	0	8	0	98	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	96	99	0	0	0	98	0	11	1
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	19	0	0	0	0	11	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	90	93	0	0	0	0	11	0

Form the Transition Matrix

normalize	$W = (1/\text{sum}(\text{sum}(W))) * W;$
probability vector	$\mu = \text{sum}(W, 1);$
transition matrix	$T = \text{diag}(1./\mu) * W;$

$$\text{diag}(\mu)T = W$$

Useful
Observations:

$$\mu T = \mu$$

The figure shows a 10x10 grid of nodes. Each node contains a numerical value. The nodes are connected by red lines forming a grid pattern. A blue path is highlighted, starting from the top-left node (19) and ending at the bottom-right node (17). The path consists of nodes 19, 87, 15, 8, 14, 86, 20, 98, 16, 18, 17. A green dot is placed on the node with value 96 at row 3, column 3.

```
states=Snake(500,5,'No');
```

Interpret as Random

$$T_{ij} = P(X_{t+1} = j \mid X_t = i)$$

States

$$S(i)=[\text{mod}(i,6),\text{floor}(i/6)]$$

....26	32	26	19	25	32	26	21	28	21	28	22	28	33
26	21	15	16	21	16	21	26	27	33	26	25	26	33
33	27	26	32	33	26	20	14	20	15	9	4	9	8
15	20	14	9	10	15	9	14	8	14	15	9	4	3
13	7	2	9	8	9	8	9	15	9	4	11	18	17
						22	21	16.....					

MatLab: `E=repmat(1/36,36,36);`
`[seq,states] = hmmgenerate(N,T,E);`

Called a Markov Chain

Question: Given I'm in state i what is the probability that I'm in state j after 2 steps?

$$P(X_{t+2} = j \mid X_t = i) = \sum_{k=1}^{|S|} P(X_{t+2} = j \mid X_{t+1} = k) P(X_{t+1} = k \mid X_t = i)$$

Hey! that's matrix multiplication! In general....

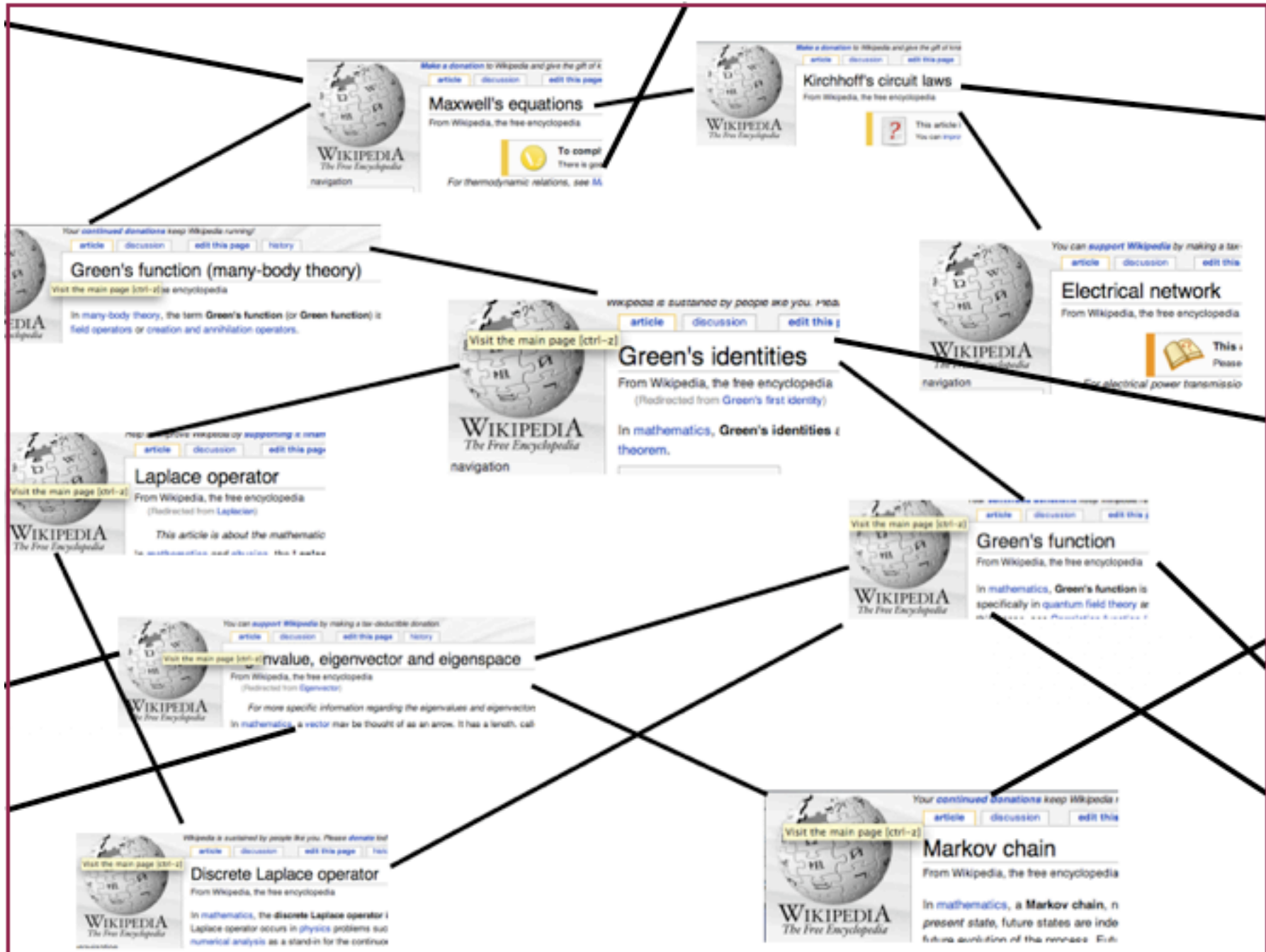
$$P(X_{t+N} = j \mid X_t = i) = \left(T^N\right)_{ij}$$


$$\lim_{T \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\sum_{k=1}^T 1_k(i)}{T} = \mu_i$$

$$1_k(i) = \begin{cases} 1 & X_k = i \\ 0 & X_k \neq i \end{cases}$$

....	26	32	26	19	25	32	26	21	28	21	28	22	28	33	26	21	15	16	21
16	21	26	27	33	26	25	26	33	32	33	27	26	32	33	26	20	14	20	15
9	4	9	8	9	15	20	14	9	10	15	9	14	8	14	15	9	4	3	2
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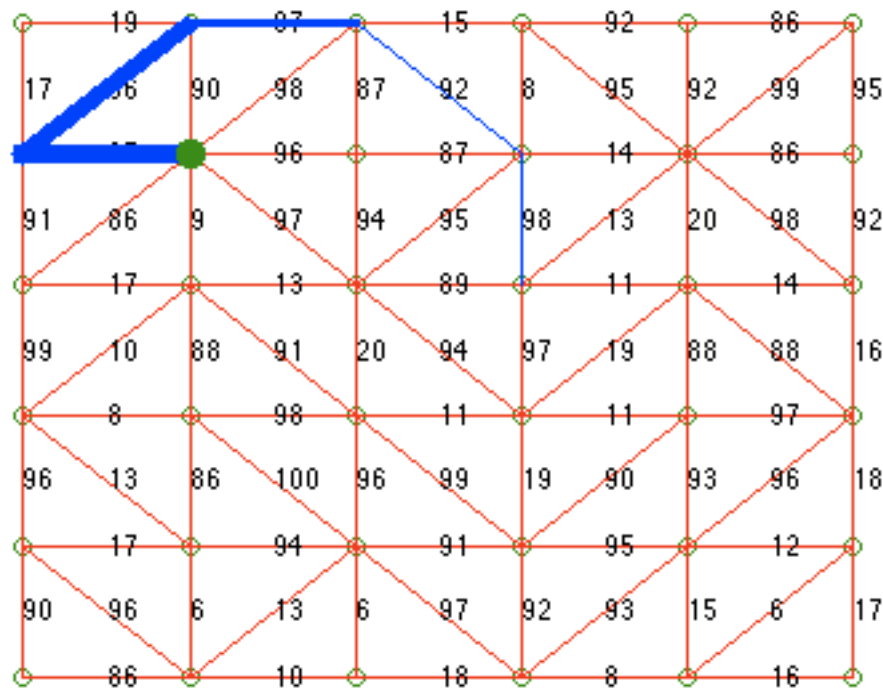
A Wild Wiki Adventure!



Let us cluster idea space....

“Vagabond Clustering”: find a partition $\{A_k\}_{k=1}^K$ that minimizes

$$\text{Vagabondliness} = \sum_k P(X_{t+1} \in \bar{A}_k \mid X_t = A_k)$$

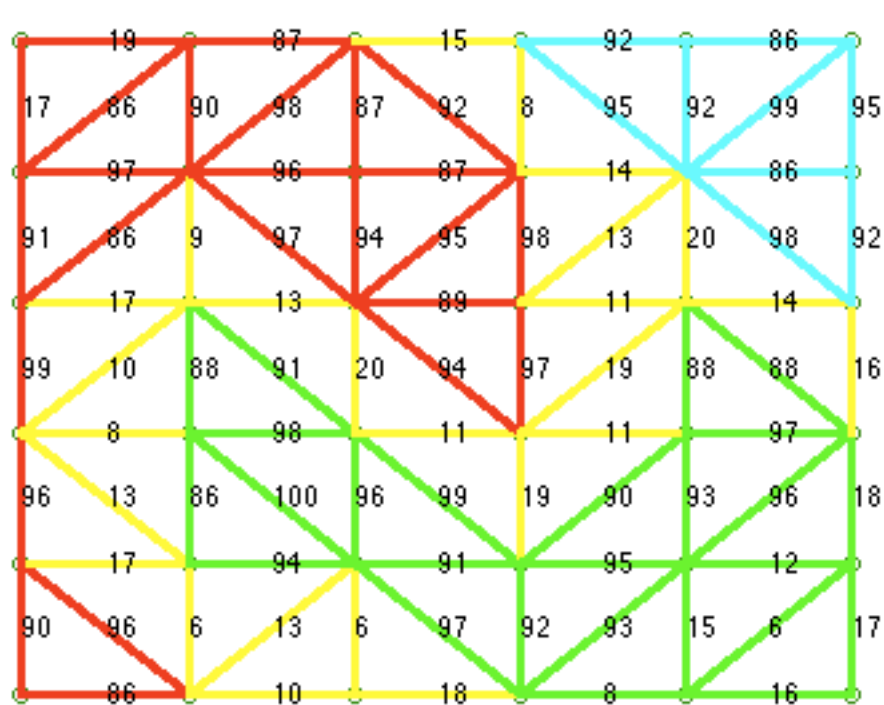


states=Snake(W,S,'No',N,K);

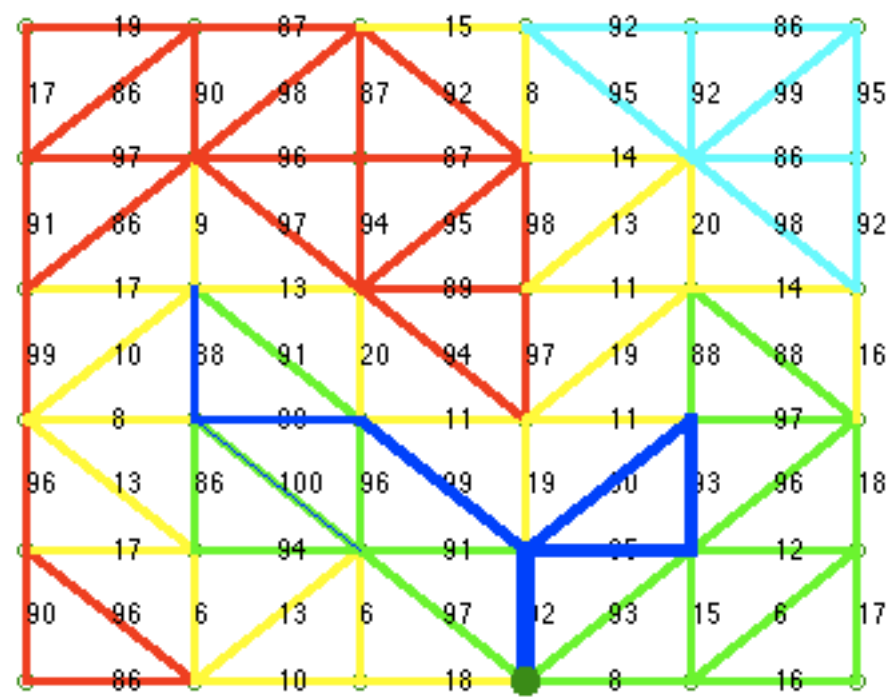
states=Snake(500,5,'No');

Finding this partition is usually called “NCut” and it is NP hard.

Stoer, M. and Wagner, F. (1997). A simple min-cut algorithm. *J. ACM*, 44(4), 585–591.



Partition



states=Snake(500,10,'Vg');

Since finding this partition is NP Hard, to find the solution we will need to “relax...”

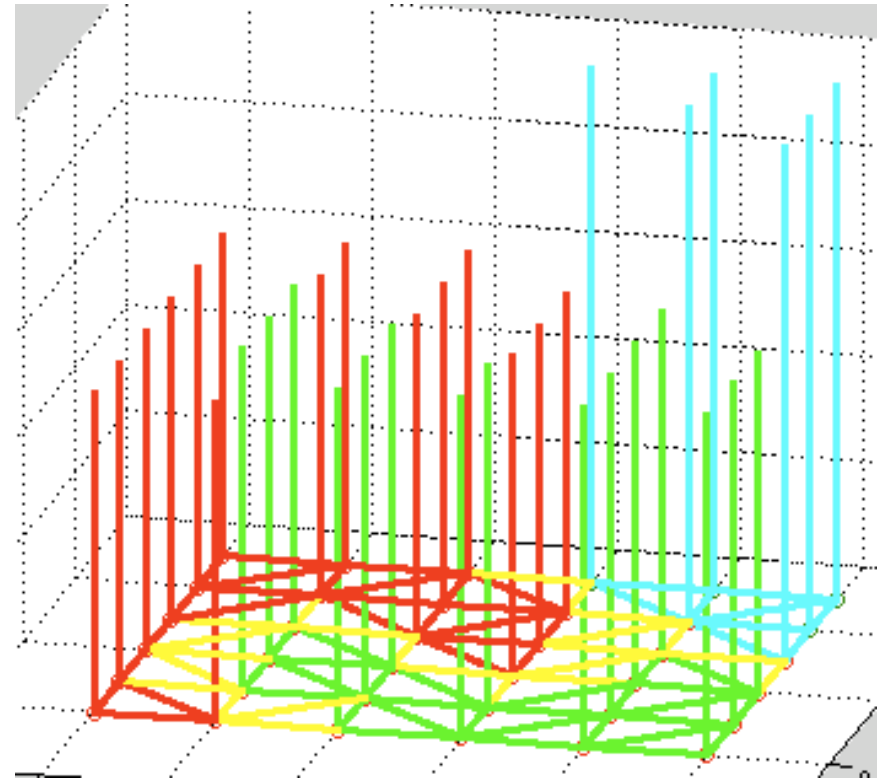
Key Theorem: $P(X_{t+1} \in \bar{A} \mid X_t \in A) = \langle \chi_A, \Delta \chi_A \rangle$

$$\langle f, g \rangle = \sum_k f_k g_k \mu_k \quad \chi_A(i) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{\sqrt{\mu(A)}} & i \in A \\ 0 & i \notin A \end{cases}$$

for A and B disjoint

$$\langle \chi_A, \chi_B \rangle = 0$$

$$\langle \chi_A, \chi_A \rangle = 1$$



Inspiration, L^2 $\langle f, g \rangle = \int_M f(x)g(x)dVol(x)$

MECHANIQUE CELESTE

OF

P. S. LAPLACE,

Member of the Institute and of the Bureau of Longitude
of France, &c. &c.

When the motions are very small; we may neglect the squares and the products of u , v , and w ; the equation (H) then becomes

$$\delta V - \frac{\delta p}{\rho} = \left(\frac{du}{dt} \right) \cdot \delta x + \left(\frac{dv}{dt} \right) \cdot \delta y + \left(\frac{dw}{dt} \right) \cdot \delta z;$$

therefore in this case $u \cdot \delta x + v \cdot \delta y + w \cdot \delta z$ is an exact variation, if, as we have supposed, p be a function of ρ ; by naming this differential $\delta\phi$, we shall have

$$V - \int \frac{\delta p}{\rho} = \left(\frac{d\phi}{dt} \right)^*;$$

and if the fluid be homogeneous, the equation of continuity will become

$$0 = \left(\frac{d^2\phi}{dx^2} \right) + \left(\frac{d^2\phi}{dy^2} \right) + \left(\frac{d^2\phi}{dz^2} \right).$$

These two equations contain the whole of the theory of very small undulations of homogeneous fluids.

The Laplacian

$$\Delta f = f(x) - av_{S(x)}(f)$$

$$\Delta f = \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{\varepsilon^2} \left(f(x) - \frac{1}{4\pi\varepsilon^2} \int_{S^2(x,\varepsilon)} f(y) dA \right)$$

$$= - \left(\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial y^2} + \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial z^2} \right)$$

$$\Delta f = (I - T)f$$

Key property I

$$\langle f, \Delta g \rangle = \langle \Delta f, g \rangle$$

proof:

$$\langle f, \Delta g \rangle = f^{tr} \text{diag}(\mu)(I - T)g$$

KEY: weights
are
symmetric

$$= f^{tr} (\text{diag}(\mu) - W)g$$


$$\Rightarrow ((\text{diag}(\mu) - W)f)^{tr} g$$

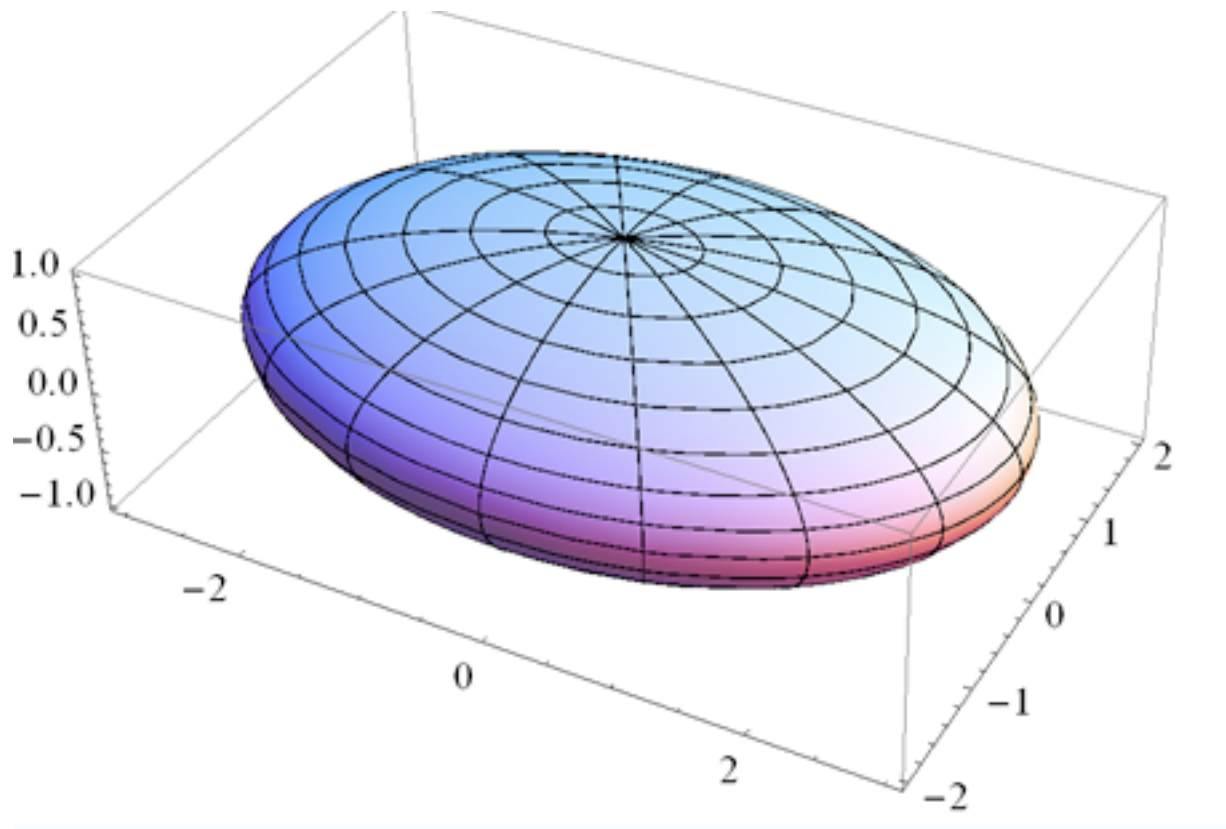
$$= (\text{diag}(\mu)(I - W)f)^{tr} g$$

$$= ((I - W)f)^{tr} \text{diag}(\mu)g = \langle \Delta f, g \rangle$$

Q.E.D

$$\langle f, \Delta g \rangle = \langle \Delta f, g \rangle$$

Spectral Theorem (Real): If $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$ is an inner product and $\langle Av, w \rangle = \langle v, Aw \rangle$, then there is an orthonormal basis of A eigenvectors.



Find this basis with MatLab....

```
%Create Laplacian and find eigenbasis
Lap=diag(ones(length(T),1)) - T;
[B Eig]=eig(Lap);
% (Check: Lap=B*Eig*B^(-1))
%Note: better algorithms for symmetric matrix
O=[];
for i=1:length(Lap)
    norm=sqrt((B(:,i))' .* mu * B(:,i));
    O=[O B(:,i)/norm ];
end
% (Check: O'*diag(mu)*O)
```

Key Property 2: Non-negative, with swanky formula!

$$\langle f, \Delta f \rangle = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i,j} \mu_i T_{ij} (f_i - f_j)^2 \geq 0$$

Proof: $\langle f, \Delta f \rangle = \sum_{i,j} f_i \mu_i (I_{ij} - T_{ij}) f_j$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \sum_i \mu_i f_i^2 - \sum_{i,j} f_i \mu_i T_{ij} f_j + \frac{1}{2} \sum_j \mu_j f_j^2$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \left(\sum_{ij} \mu_i T_{ij} f_i^2 - 2 \sum_{i,j} \mu_i T_{ij} f_i f_j + \sum_{i,j} \mu_j T_{ij} f_j^2 \right)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \sum_{ij} \mu_i T_{ij} (f_i^2 - 2f_i f_j + f_j^2)$$

row sum is one

is equilibrium measure

Key Theorem: $P(X_{t+1} \in \bar{A} \mid X_t \in A) = \langle \chi_A, \Delta \chi_A \rangle$

Approximate the Vagabond Clustering

$$\min_{\text{partitions}\{A_k\}} \sum_k \langle \chi_{A_k}, \Delta \chi_{A_k} \rangle$$

by “relaxing” and solving

$$\min_{\{v_i \mid \langle v_i, v_j \rangle = \delta_j^i\}} \sum_i \langle v_i, \Delta v_i \rangle$$

By the Spectral Theorem and positivity, to solve this problem we are searching for the N eigenvectors of the Laplacian with the N smallest eigenvalues.

Do not imagine that mathematics is hard and crabbed, and repulsive to common sense. It is merely the etherialisation of common sense."

~Lord Kelvin

Proof:
$$P(X_{t+1} \in \bar{A} \mid X_t \in A) = \frac{P(X_{t+1} \in \bar{A}, X_t \in A)}{P(X_t \in A)}$$

$$= \frac{\sum_{j \in \bar{A}, i \in A} P(X_{t+1} = j, X_t = i)}{P(X_t \in A)}$$

$$= \frac{\sum_{j \in \bar{A}, i \in A} P(X_{t+1} = j \mid X_t = i) P(X_t = i)}{P(X_t \in A)}$$

$$= \frac{\sum_{j \in \bar{A}, i \in A} T_{ij} \mu_i}{\mu(A)}$$

$$= \sum_{j \in \bar{A}, i \in A} T_{ij} \mu_i (\chi_A(i) - \chi_A(j))^2$$

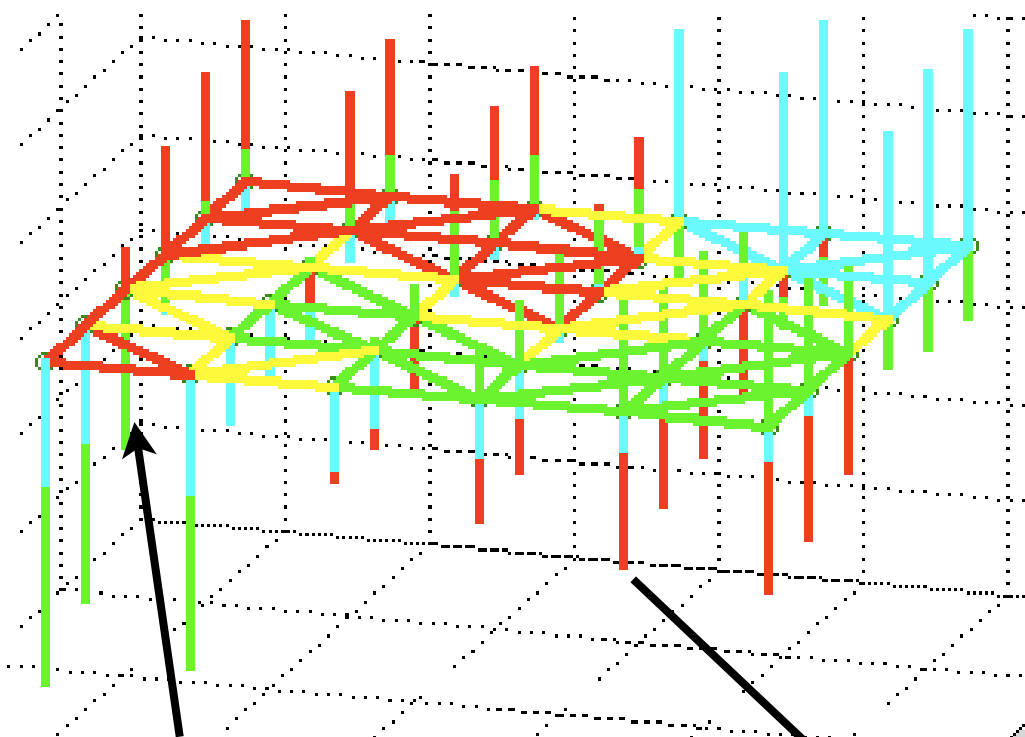
$$= \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i,j} T_{ij} \mu_i (\chi_A - \chi_A)^2 = \langle \chi_A, \Delta \chi_A \rangle$$

definition
conditional
probability

Swanky formula

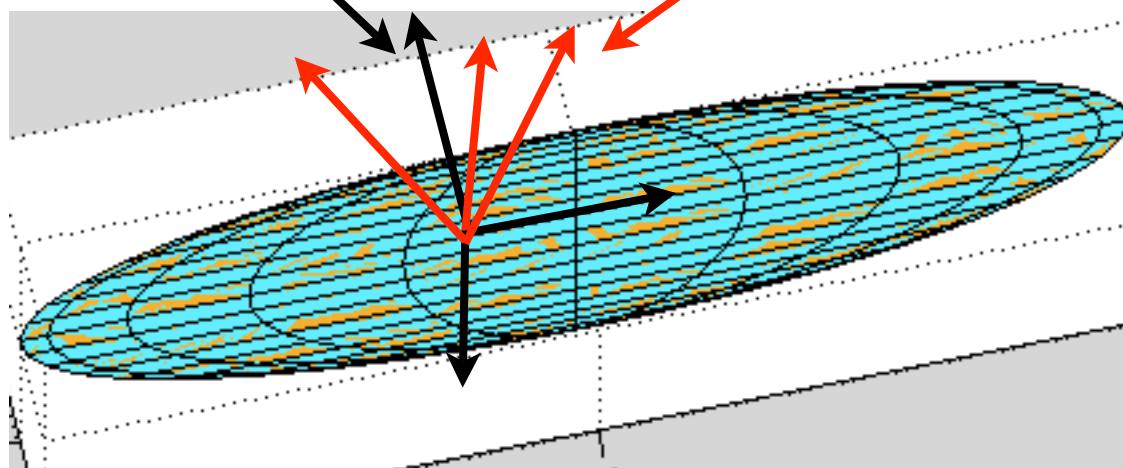
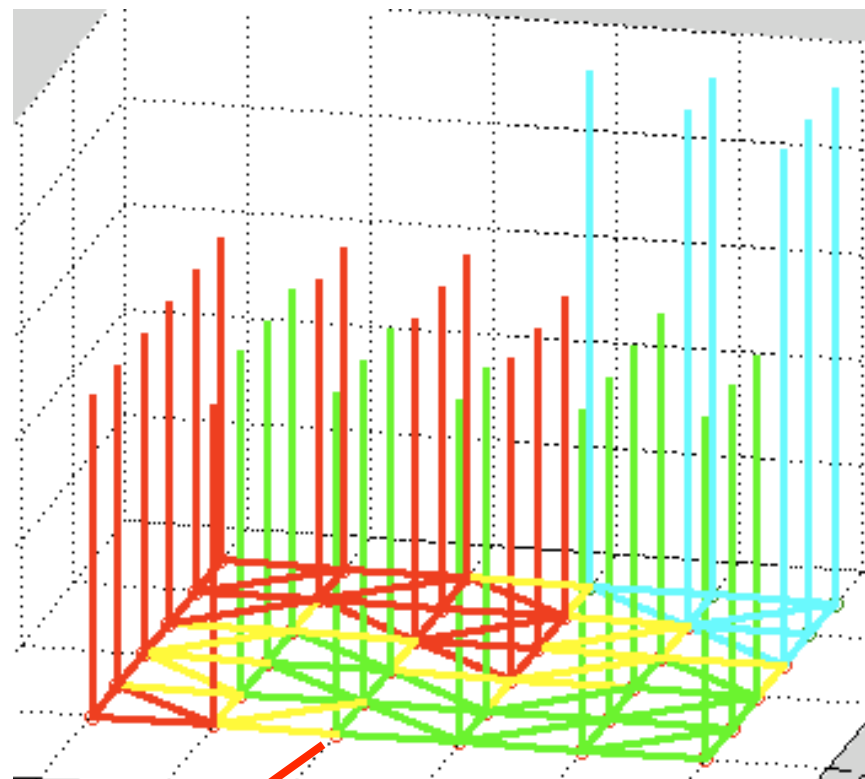
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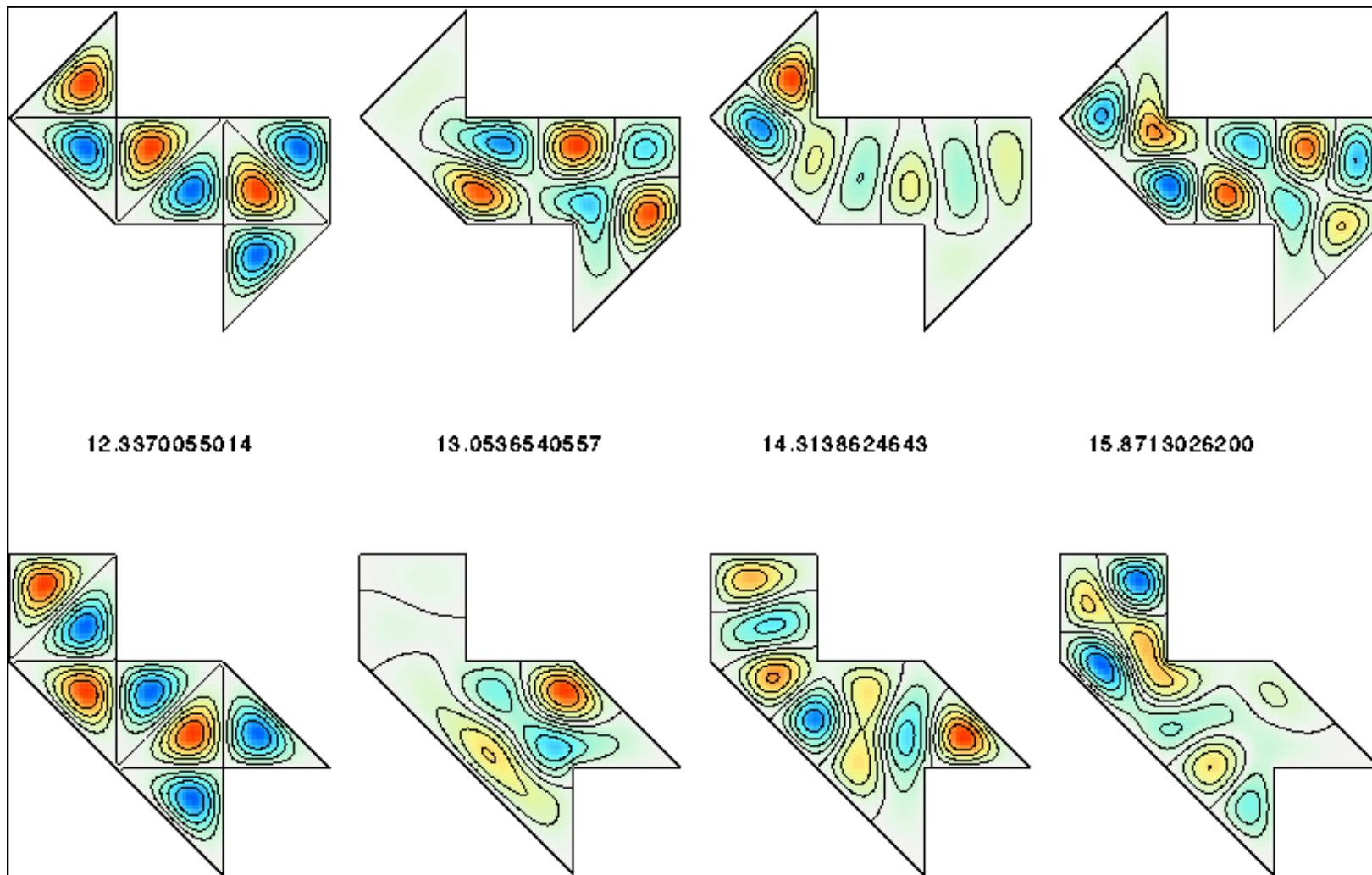
First three (non-trivial)
Eigenfunctions



Notice, they are not
localized

The Vagabond
functions





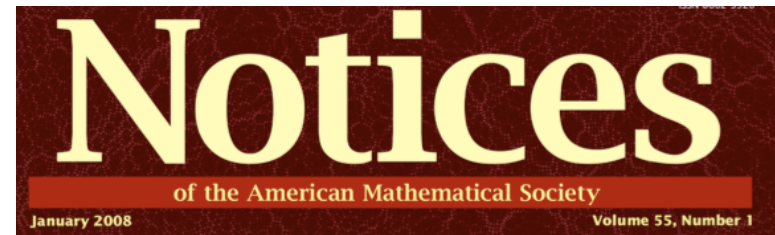
Can you
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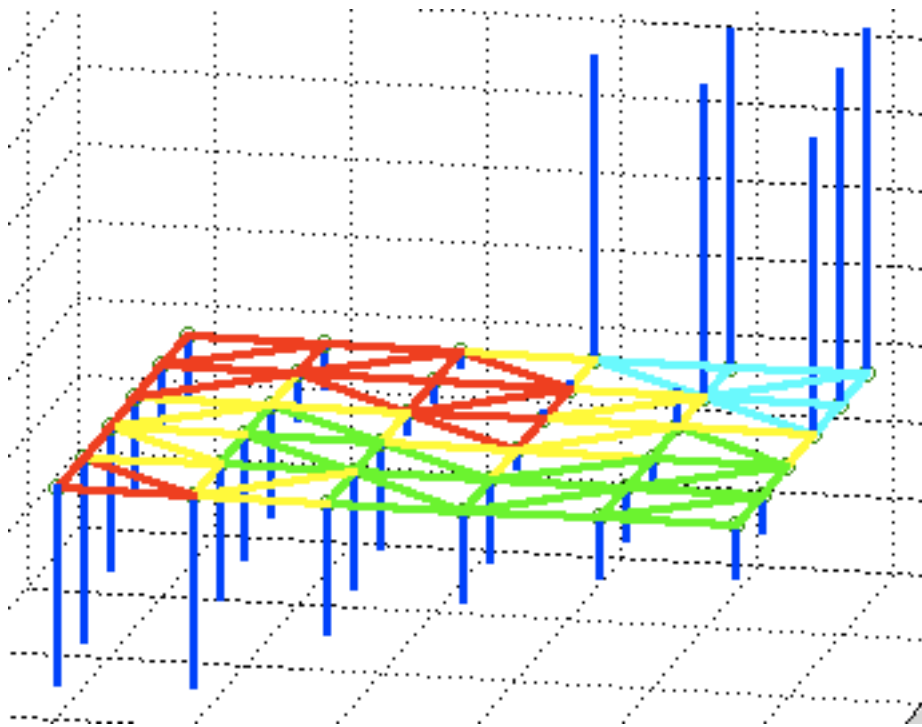
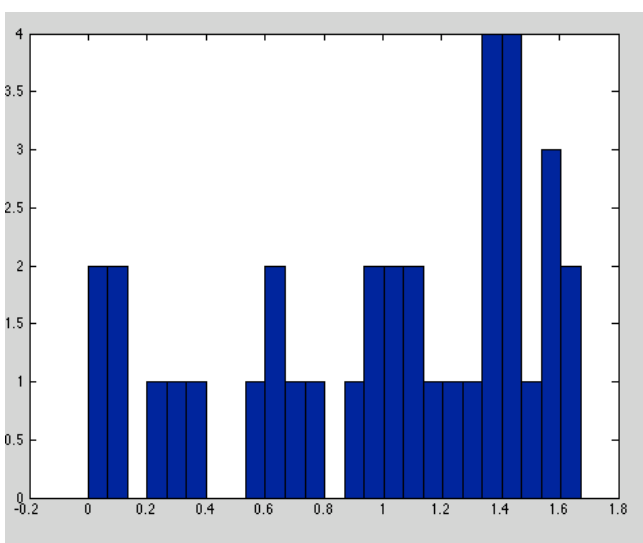
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Eigenvalues are the
“frequency of oscillation”
of the eigenfunctions.

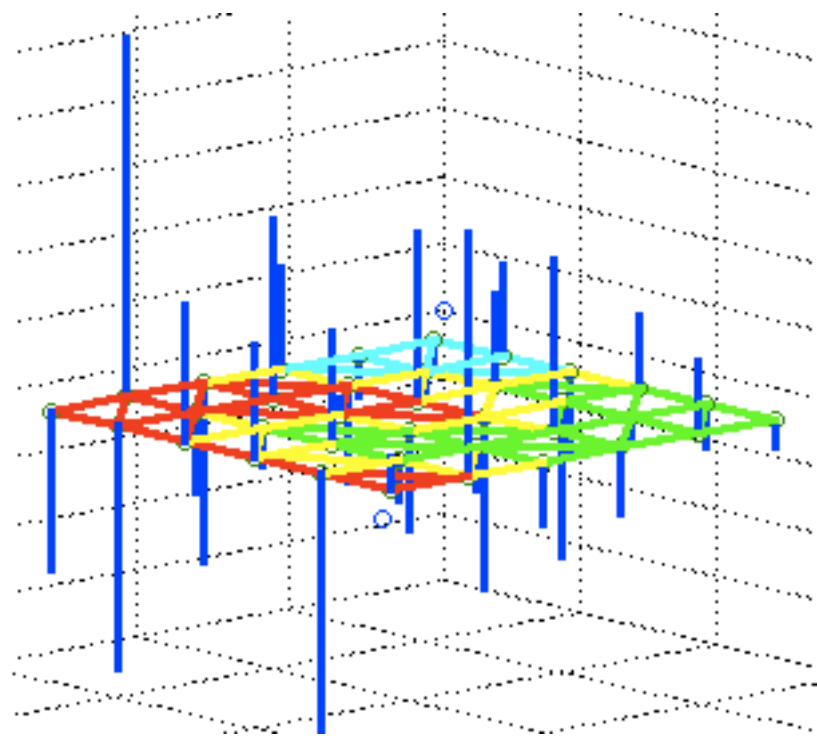


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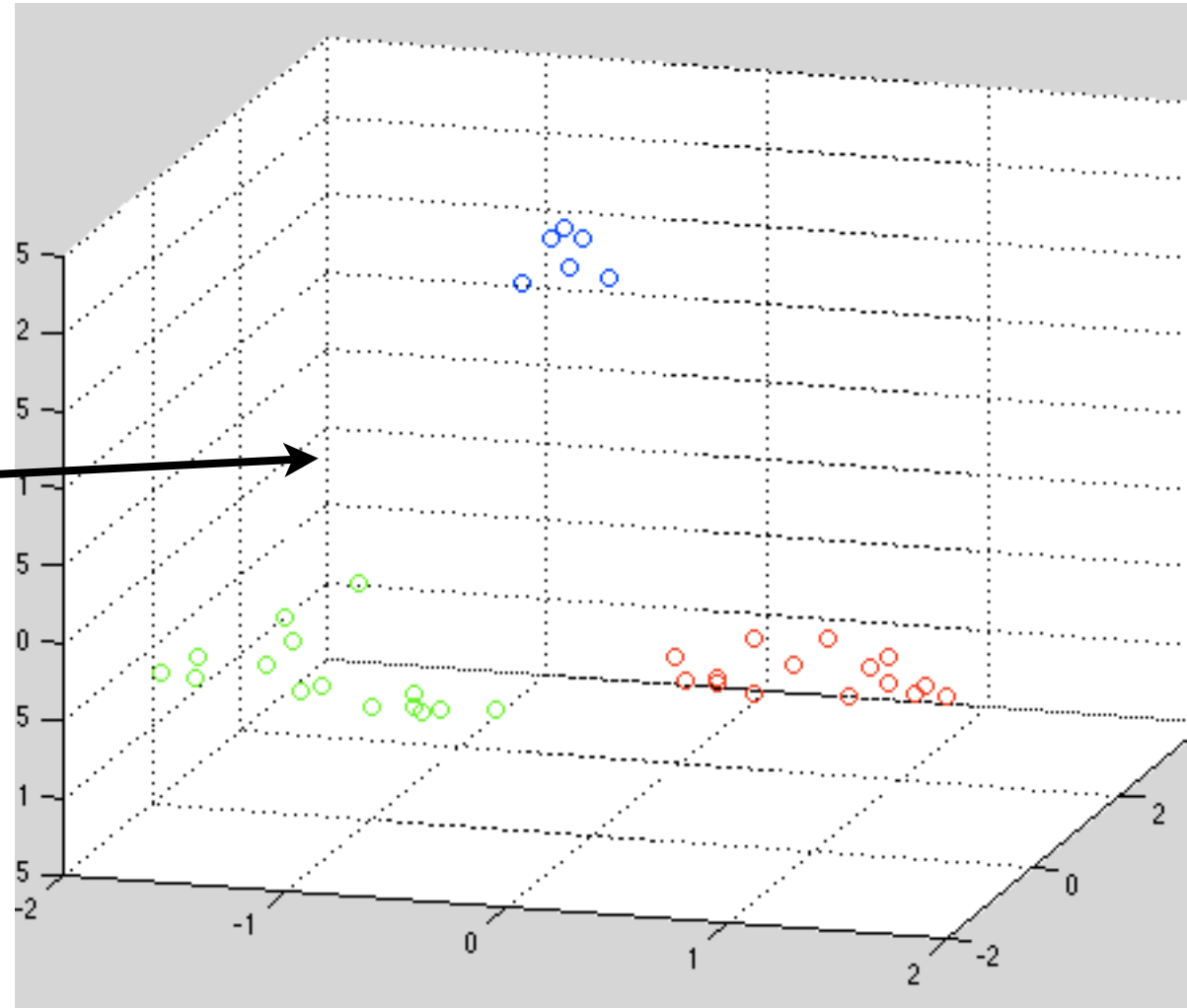
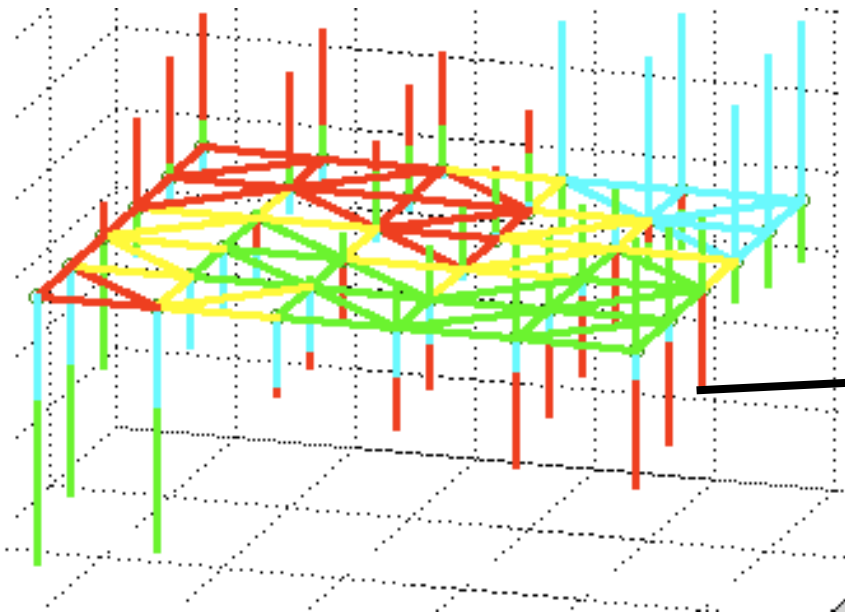


λ_2



λ_{30}

Can use our eigenfunctions to embed
our states in Euclidean space



Now we can use K means!

Spectral Clustering Algorithm

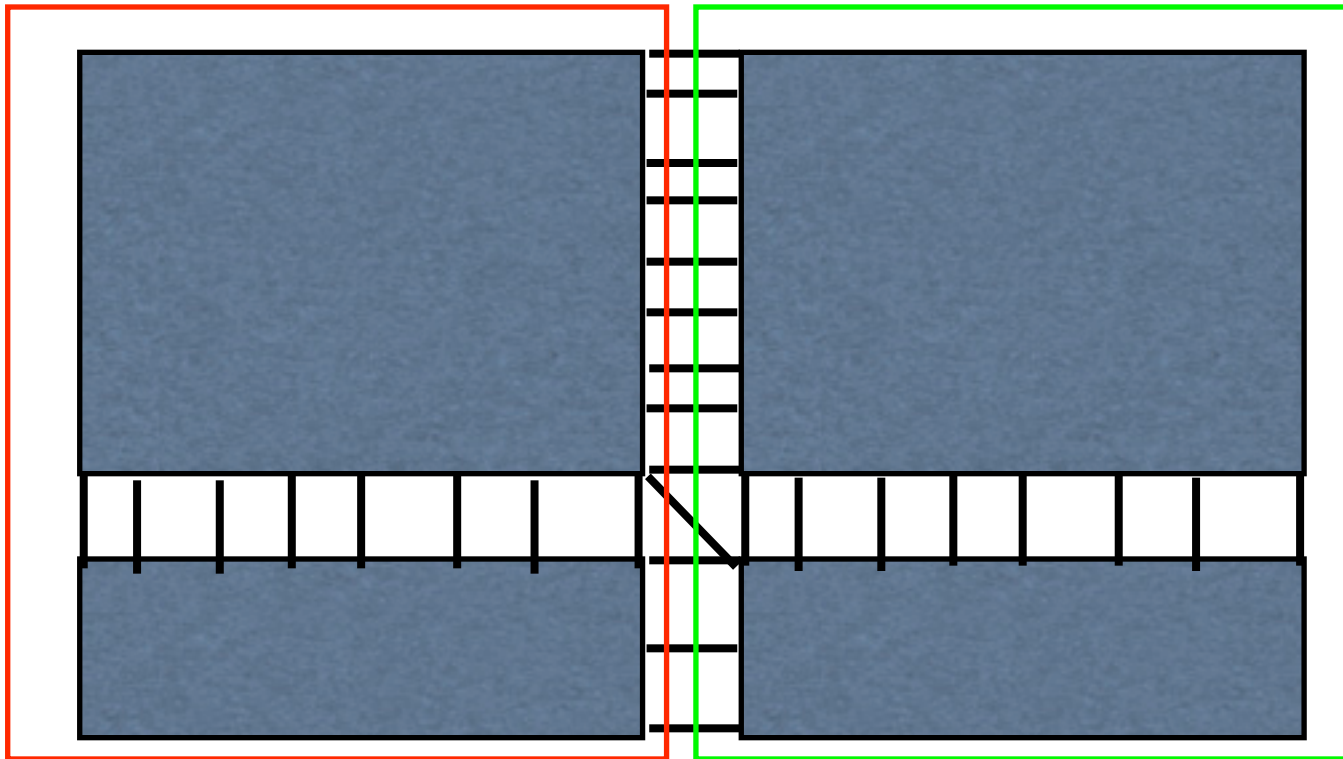
1. Find the $M \geq K$ orthonormal eigenvectors corresponding to the M smallest eigenvalues.
2. Using these eigenfunctions, embed our states into Euclidean space and then apply K-means.

Many Variations...

See: [On spectral clustering: Analysis and an algorithm](#). A. Y. Ng, M. I. Jordan, and Y. Weiss. In T. Dietterich, S. Becker and Z. Ghahramani (Eds.), *Advances in Neural Information Processing Systems (NIPS) 14*, 2002.

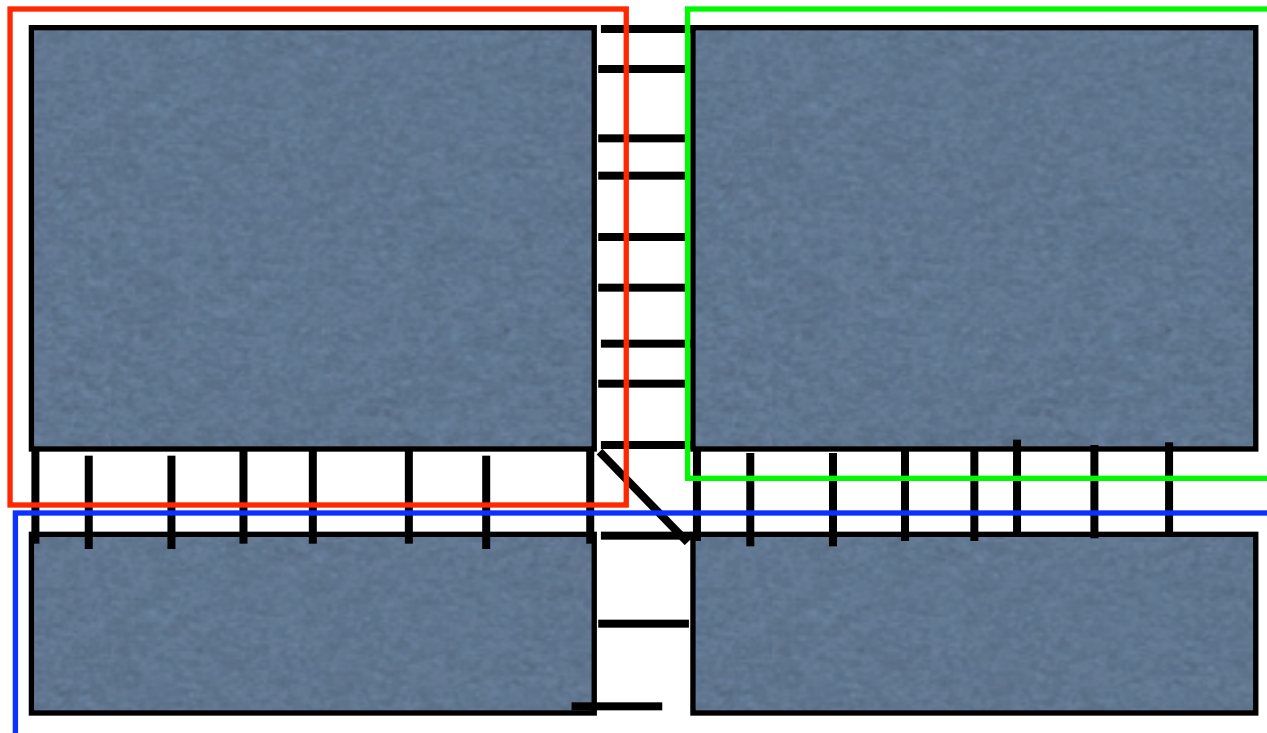
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von Luxburg, U.: A Tutorial on Spectral Clustering. *Statistics and Computing* **17(4)**, 395-416 (12 2007)



Typically M should be GREATER than K

Here we see describe the vagabond clustering for both $N=2$ and $N=3$ requires the span of 4 Vagabond functions.

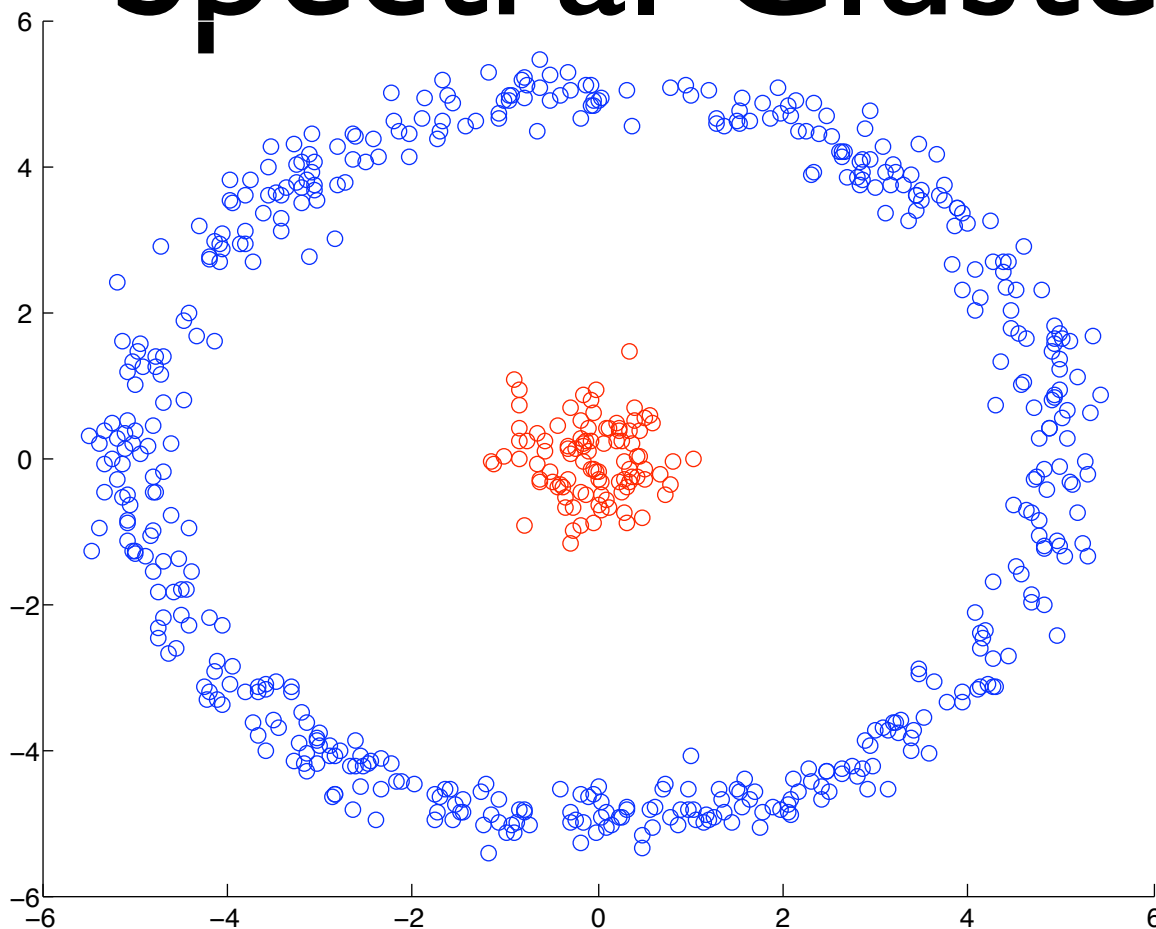


The Laplacian is trying to do MANY things at once (in particular it is the solution to a variety of discrete relaxations.)

In Mat Lab.

```
%Sort by eigenvalue the eigenbasis [Eig,O]
Eig=diag(Eig);
[Eig Srt]=sort(Eig);
O=O(:,Srt);
%Now apply K-means 'Rep' times
Emb=O(:,2:N);
[IDX,C,sumd,D] = kmeans(Emb,K,'emptyaction','drop');
for i=1:Rep
    [IDX0,C,sumd0,D] = kmeans(Emb,K,'emptyaction','drop');
    if (sum(sumd0)<sum(sumd))
        IDX=IDX0;
        sumd=sumd0;
    end;
end;
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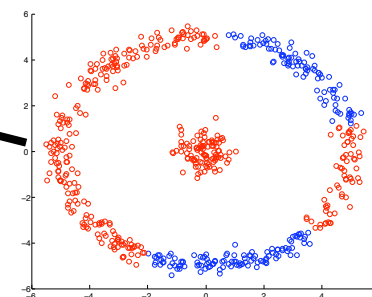
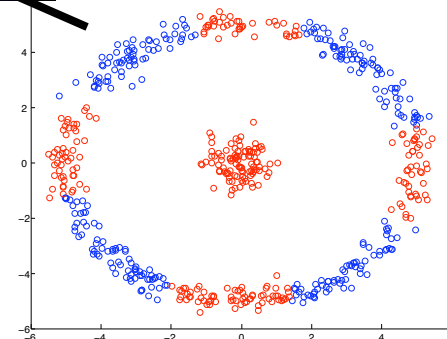
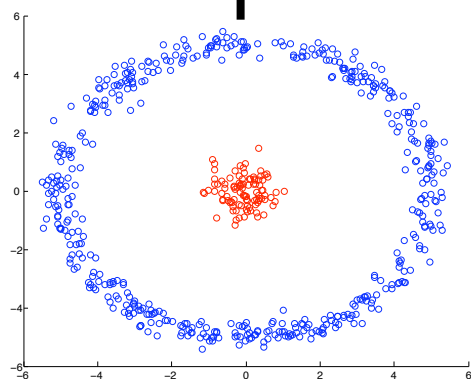
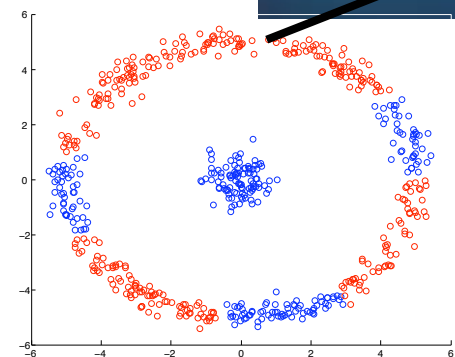
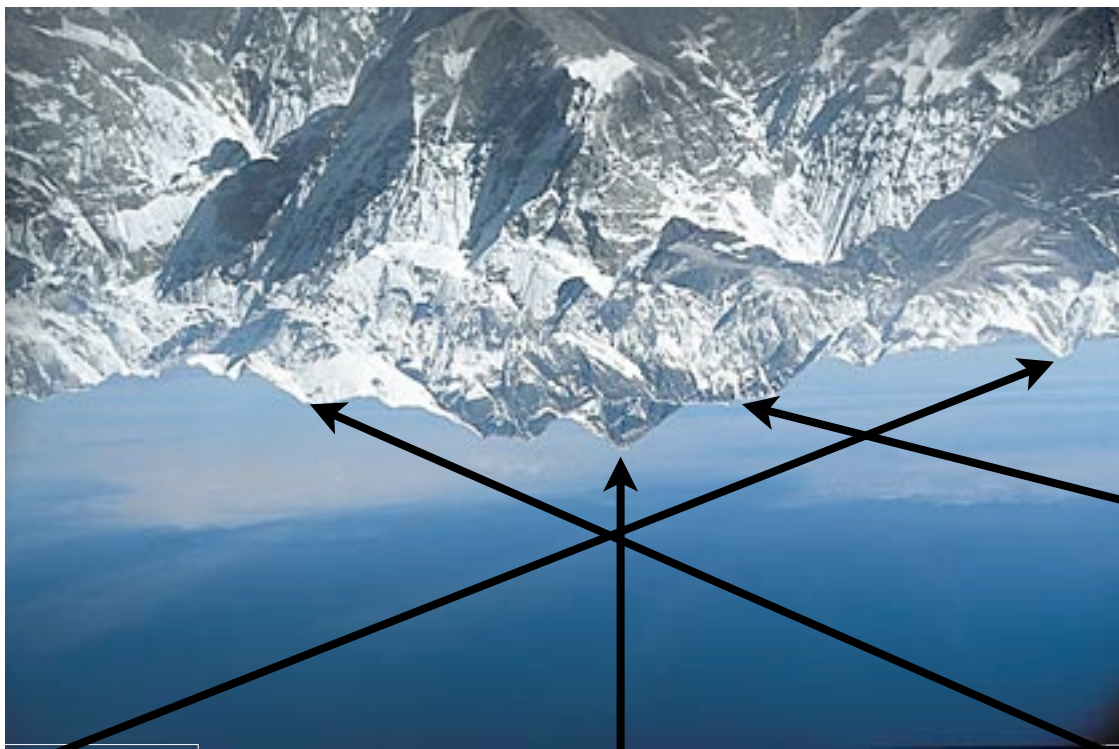
Spectral Clustering



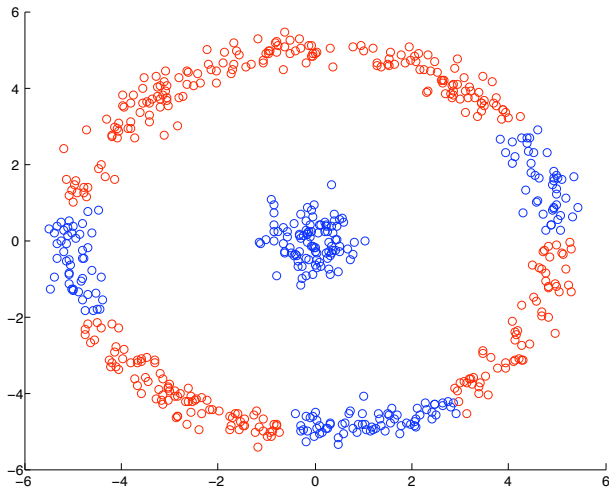
Manifold
Learning

$$L = \sum_{k=1}^N \sum_{x_i \in C_k} d(x_i, \mu_k) \approx 488$$

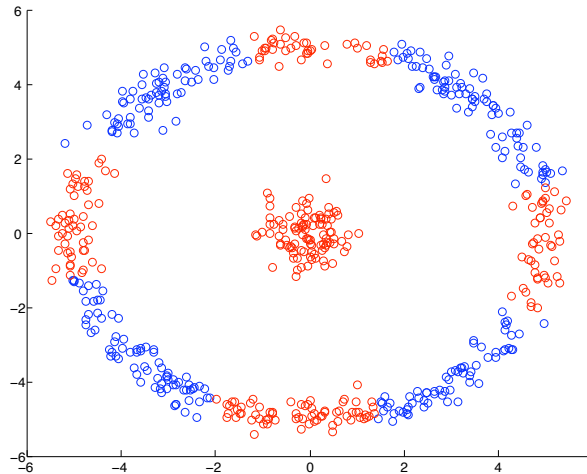
Himalayas



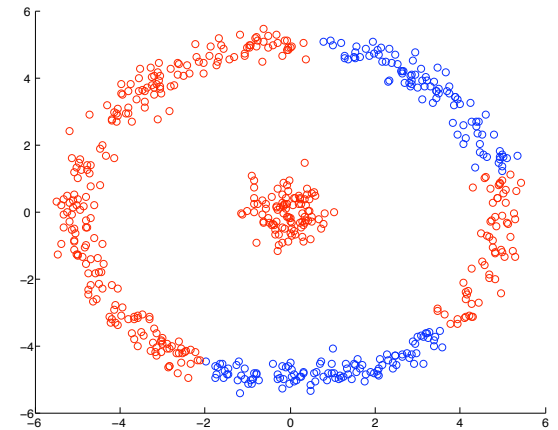
Watch Out! 100 convergent runs of the k-means algorithm were performed.



$$L = \sum_{k=1}^N \sum_{x_i \in C_k} d(x_i, \mu_k) \approx 536$$



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$$L = \sum_{k=1}^N \sum_{x_i \in C_k} d(x_i, \mu_k) \approx 534$$

Can you hear the shape of the market?

$$\hat{X} = \frac{X - \langle X \rangle}{\sqrt{\langle (X - \langle X \rangle)^2 \rangle}}$$

$$\rho(X, Y) = \hat{X} \cdot \hat{Y}$$

$$d(X, Y) = 2 \sin(\theta/2) = \sqrt{2 (1 - \rho(X, Y))}$$

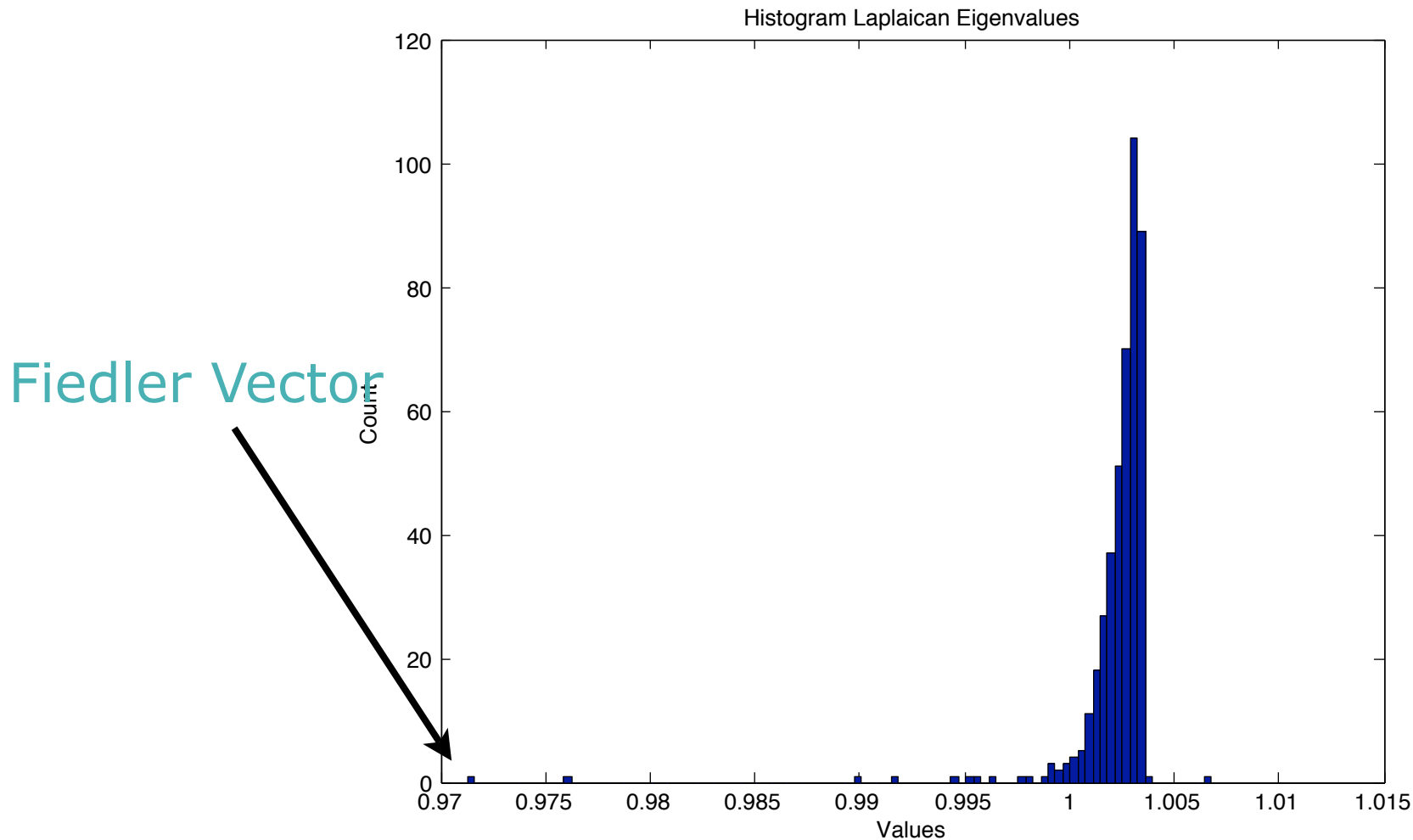
Candidate
Weights

$$Conductance_s = e^{\frac{-d(X, Y)^2}{\sigma^2}}$$

$$Conductance_e = \frac{1}{d(X, Y)}$$

...and zero on
diagonal,
force a move.

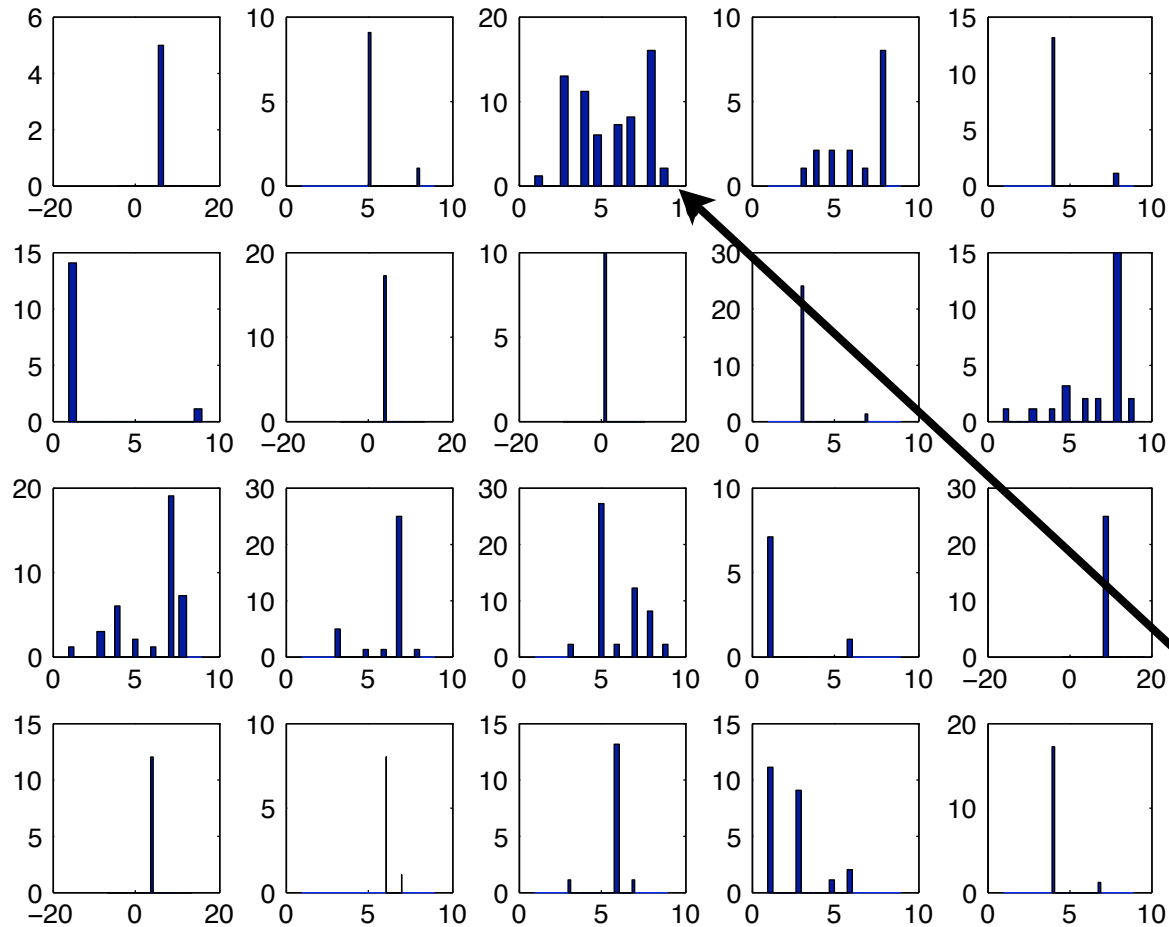
Eigenvalues > 0



Major clusters correspond to the
“outlier” eigenvalues....

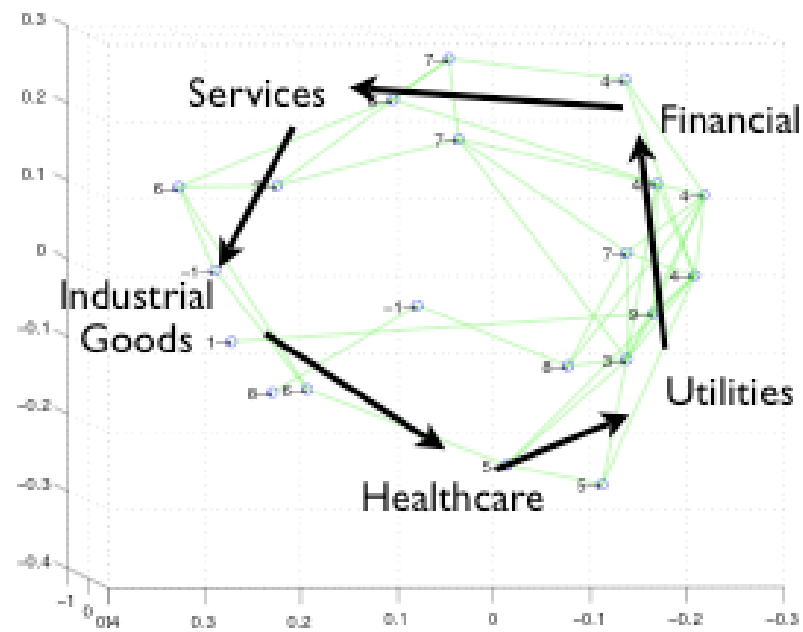
...though this localization is “lucky”

The Spectral Market

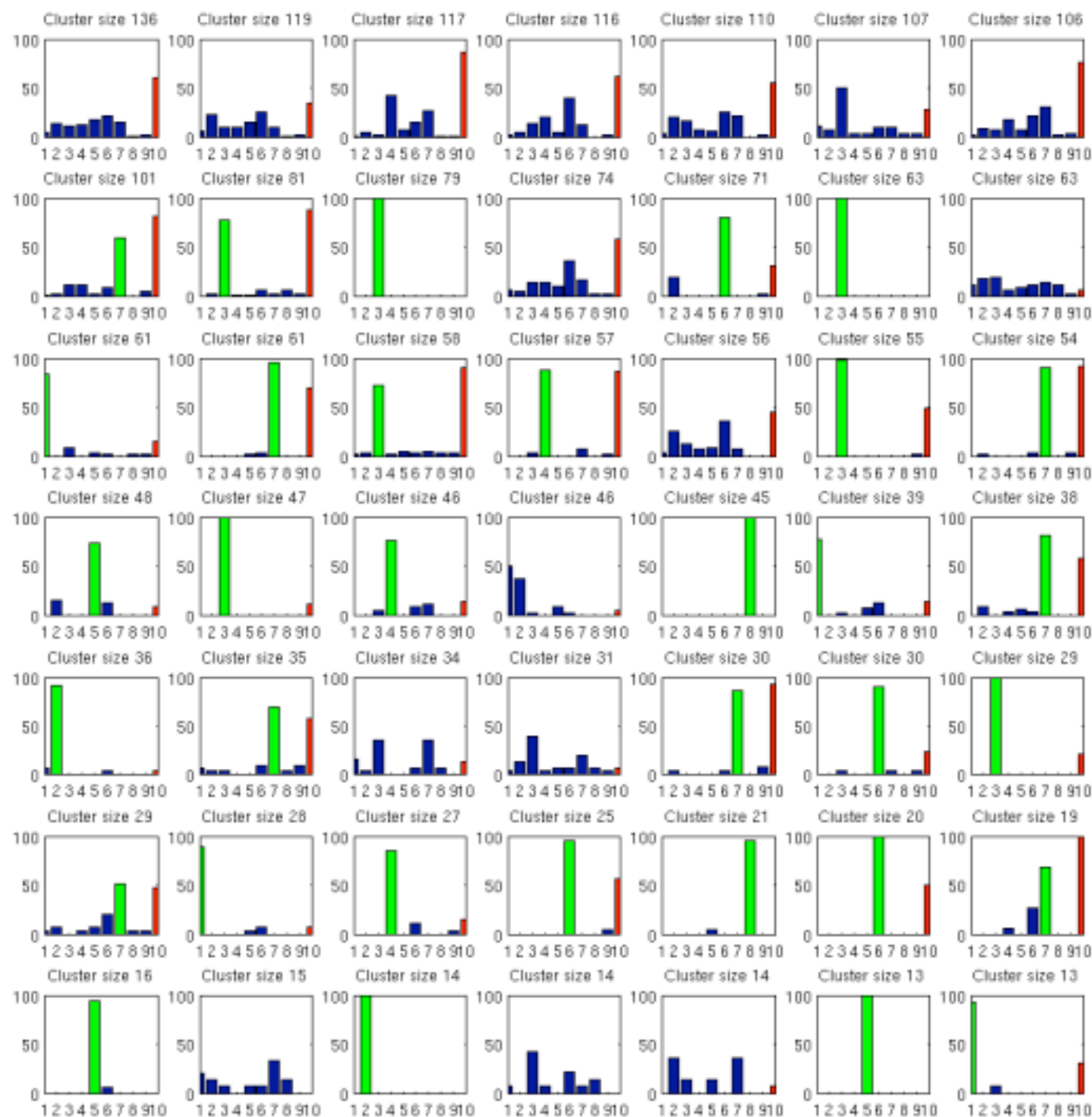


- 1 Basic Materials
- 2 Conglomerates
- 3 Consumer Goods
- 4 Financial
- 5 Healthcare
- 6 Industrial Goods
- 7 Services
- 8 Technology
- 9 Utilities

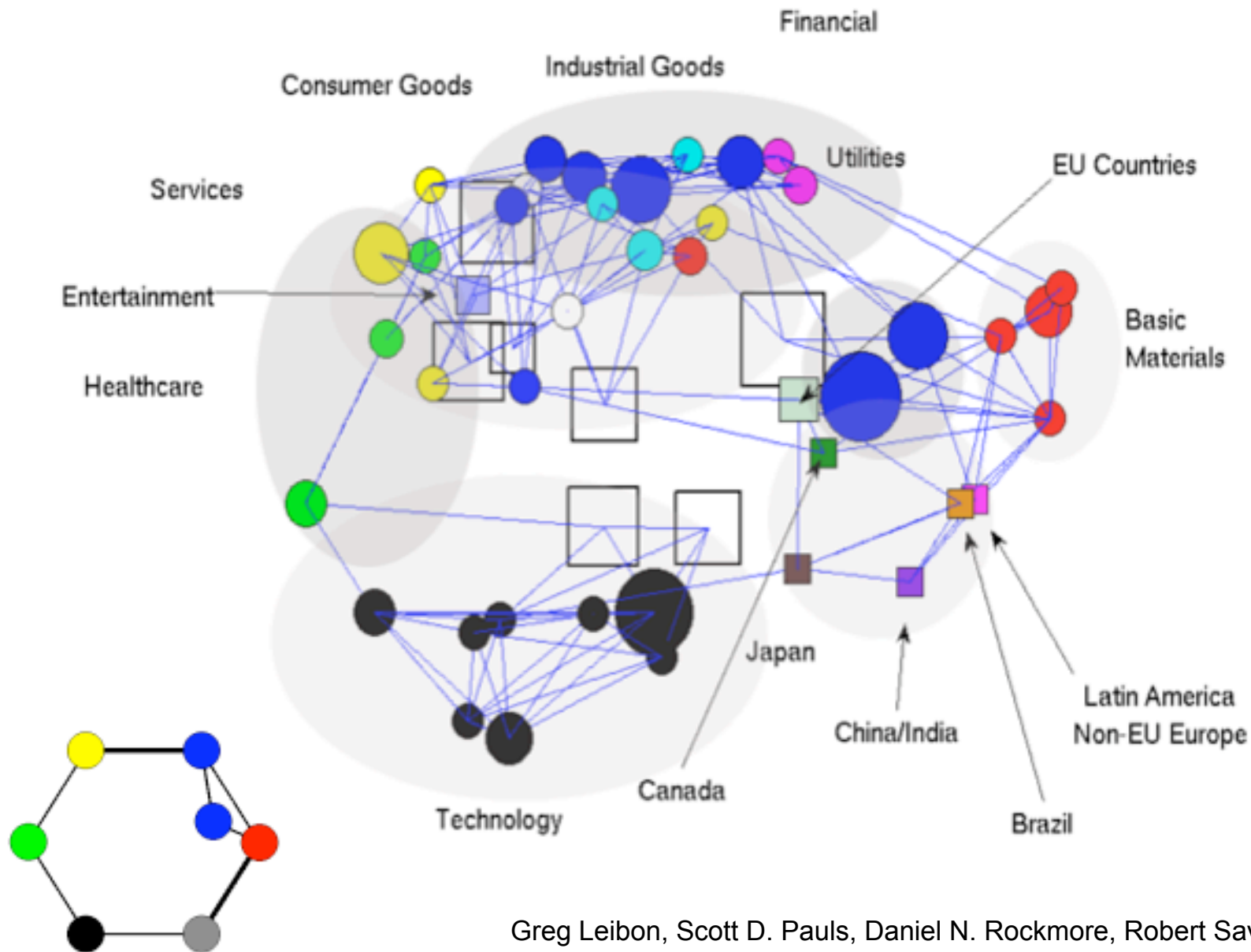
Guess who that is?



The Whole Market....



The Spectral Market

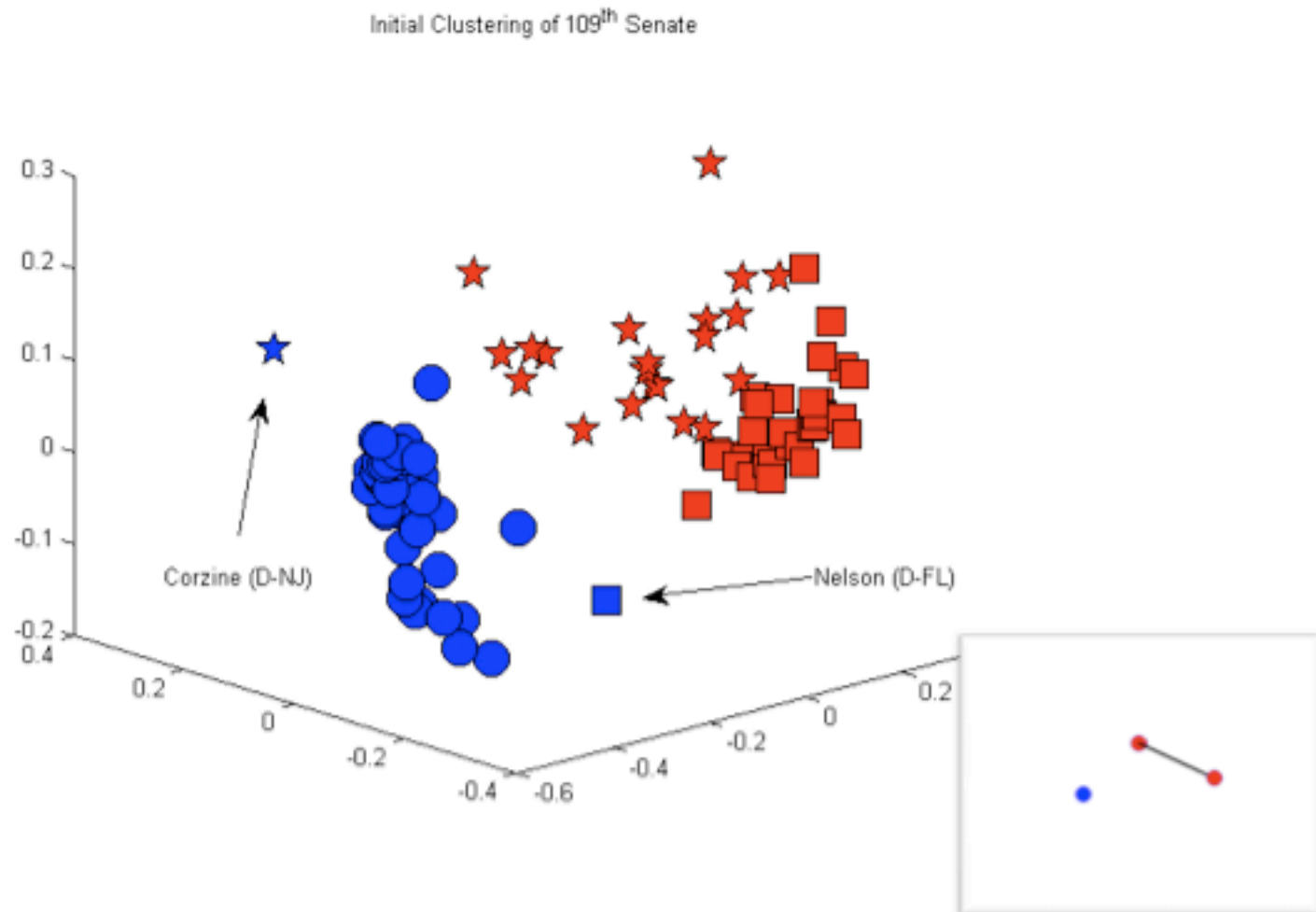


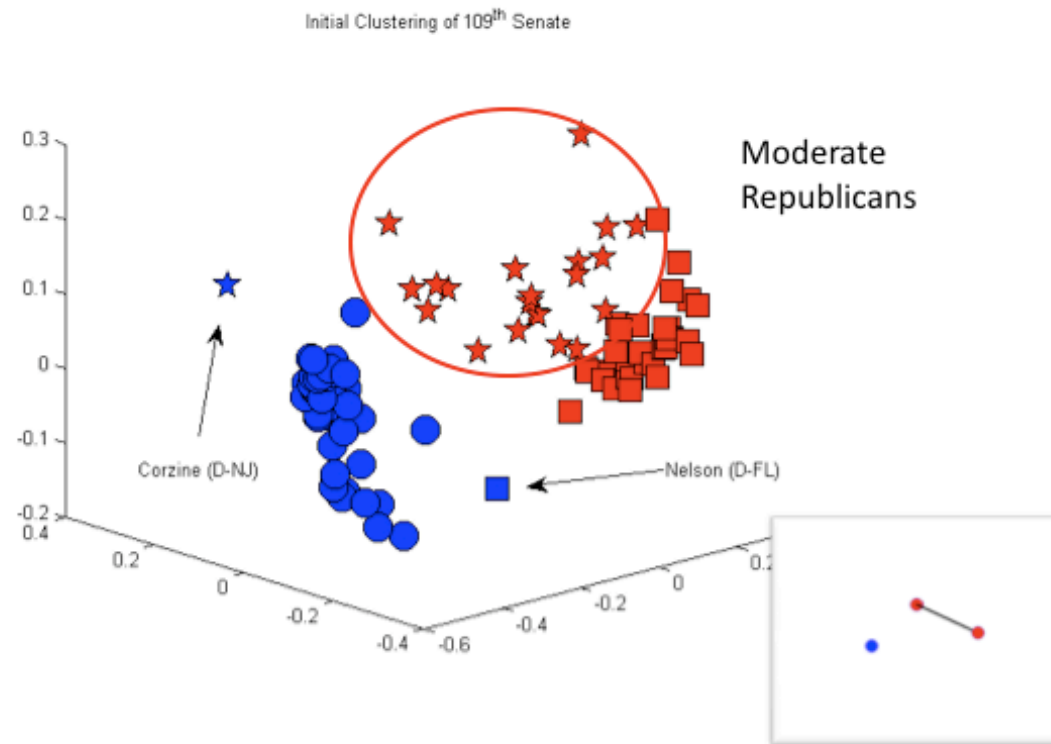
Greg Leibon, Scott D. Pauls, Daniel N. Rockmore, Robert Savell
Topological structures in the equities market network
<http://arXiv.org/abs/0805.3470>

Example 2: 109th Congress

Remove unanimous votes,
create similarity matrix using
percent of votes in common.

Spectral cluster with
three clusters





Validates well and
Looks like
“usual view”
(Poole-Rosenthal)

