

# Join of hypergraps and their spectra

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- $m$ -Uniform Hypergraph.
- Degree of a vertex.
- Regular Hypergraph.
- Paths in hypergraphs is a sequence  $v_1 e_1 v_2 e_2 \dots v_l e_l$  of distinct vertices and edges satisfying  $v_i, v_{i+1} \in e_i$ .
- Connected Hypergraph.

- Let  $\mathcal{H}(V, E, W)$  be a hypergraph with the vertex set  $V = \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$ , the edge set  $E$  and with an weight function  $W : E \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}$  defined by  $W(e) = w_e$  for all  $e \in E$ . The adjacency matrix  $A_{\mathcal{H}}$  of  $\mathcal{H}$  is defined as

$$(A_{\mathcal{H}})_{ij} := \sum_{e \in E; i, j \in e} \frac{w_e}{|e| - 1}.$$

This definition is adopted from the definition of the adjacency matrix of an unweighted non-uniform hypergraph defined in [In Press, Linear Algebra and its Applications, 2020](#). DOI: [10.1016/j.laa.2020.01.012](#).

- Thus for an  $m$ -uniform hypergraph  $\mathcal{H}$  we have  $(A_{\mathcal{H}})_{ij} = \frac{1}{m-1} \sum_{e \in E, i, j \in e} w_e$ . If we take  $w_e = 1$ , then  $(A_{\mathcal{H}})_{ij} = \frac{d_{ij}}{m-1}$  where  $d_{ij}$  is the codegree of the vertices  $i, j$ , i.e., the number of edges containing both the vertices  $i$  and  $j$ .

# Equitable partition for hypergraphs

Let  $\mathcal{H}(V, E, W)$  be an  $m$ -uniform weighted hypergraph with  $n$  vertices.

- We say a partition  $\pi = \{C_1, C_2, \dots, C_k\}$  of  $V$  is an equitable partition of  $V$  if for any  $p, q \in \{1, 2, \dots, k\}$  and for any  $i \in C_p$ ,

$$\sum_{j \in C_q} (A_{\mathcal{H}})_{ij} = b_{pq},$$

where  $b_{pq}$  is a constant depends only on  $p$  and  $q$ .

For an equitable partition with  $k$ -number of cells we define the quotient matrix  $B$  as  $(B)_{pq} = b_{pq}$ , for  $1 \leq p, q \leq k$ .

- The characteristic matrix  $P$  of order  $n \times k$  as follows

$$(P)_{ij} = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if vertex } i \in C_j, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

- We have  $A_{\mathcal{H}}P = PB$  and so  $A_{\mathcal{H}}^k P = PB^k$  for any  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ . Therefore  $f(A_{\mathcal{H}})P = Pf(B)$ , for any polynomial  $f(x)$ . If  $f(A_{\mathcal{H}}) = 0$ , then  $Pf(B) = 0$  and which gives  $f(B) = 0$ . Again  $A_{\mathcal{H}}$  being a real symmetric matrix, is diagonalizable. So minimal polynomial of  $A_{\mathcal{H}}$  is product of linear polynomials. Hence minimal polynomial of  $B$  is also product of linear polynomials. Therefore  $B$  is also diagonalizable.
- For each  $\lambda \in \text{spec}(B)$  with the multiplicity  $r$ ,  $\lambda \in \text{spec}(A_{\mathcal{H}})$  with the multiplicity atleast  $r$ .

Let  $\mathcal{H}_1(V_1, E_1, W_1)$  and  $\mathcal{H}_2(V_2, E_2, W_2)$  be two  $m$ -uniform hypergraphs. The join  $\mathcal{H}(V, E, W) := \mathcal{H}_1 \oplus^{w_{12}} \mathcal{H}_2$  of  $\mathcal{H}_1$  and  $\mathcal{H}_2$  is the hypergraph with the vertex set  $V = V_1 \cup V_2$ , edge set  $E = \cup_{i=0}^2 E_i$ , where  $E_0 = \{e \subseteq V : |e| = m, e \cap V_i \neq \emptyset, \forall i = 1, 2\}$  and the weight function  $W : E \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}$  is defined by

$$W(e) = \begin{cases} W_1(e) & \text{if } e \in E_1, \\ W_2(e) & \text{if } e \in E_2, \\ w_{12} & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases}$$

where  $w_{12}$  is a real non-negative constant.

Let  $S = \{\mathcal{H}_i(V_i, E_i, W_i) : 1 \leq i \leq k\}$ ,  $|V_i| = n_i$ , be a set of  $m$ -uniform hypergraphs,  $k \leq m$ . Using the set  $S$ , of hypergraphs we construct a new  $m$ -uniform hypergraph  $\mathcal{H}(V, E, W)$  where  $V = \cup_{i=1}^k V_i$ ,  $E = \cup_{i=0}^k E_i$ ,  $E_0 = \{e \subseteq V : e \cap V_i \neq \emptyset, \forall i = 1, 2, \dots, k, |e| = m\}$  and  $W : E \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}$  defined by

$$W(e) = \begin{cases} W_i(e) & \text{if } e \in E_i \text{ for } i = 1, 2, \dots, k, \\ w_s & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases}$$

where  $w_s$  is a real non-negative constant. The resultant hypergraph  $\mathcal{H}$  is called the join of a set  $S$  of  $m$ -uniform hypergraphs  $\mathcal{H}_i$ 's and it is denoted as  $\mathcal{H} := \oplus_{\mathcal{H}_i \in S}^{w_s} \mathcal{H}_i$ .

# Adjacency matrix of the join $\mathcal{H}$

The adjacency matrix  $A_{\mathcal{H}}$  of  $\mathcal{H}$  can be expressed as

$$(A_{\mathcal{H}})_{ij} = \begin{cases} (A_{\mathcal{H}_p})_{ij} + w_s d_{pp}^{S(m)} & \text{if } i, j \in V_p, i \neq j, \\ 0 & i = j, \\ w_s d_{pq}^{S(m)} & \text{if } i \in V_p, j \in V_q, p \neq q. \end{cases}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} d_{pp}^{S(m)} &:= \frac{1}{m-1} (\text{number of new edges containing two fixed vertices } i_1, i_2 \text{ from } V_p) \\ &= \frac{1}{m-1} \sum_{\substack{i_p \geq 0, i_j \geq 1, (j \neq p) \\ i_1 + i_2 + \dots + i_k = m-2}} \binom{n_1}{i_1} \binom{n_2}{i_2} \dots \binom{n_{p-1}}{i_{p-1}} \binom{n_p-2}{i_p} \binom{n_{p+1}}{i_{p+1}} \dots \binom{n_k}{i_k}. \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} d_{pq}^{S(m)} &:= \frac{1}{m-1} (\text{number of new edges containing two fixed vertices one from } V_p \text{ and another from } V_q) \\ &= \frac{1}{m-1} \sum_{\substack{i_p, i_q \geq 0, i_j \geq 1, (j \neq p, q) \\ i_1 + i_2 + \dots + i_k = m-2}} \binom{n_1}{i_1} \binom{n_2}{i_2} \dots \binom{n_{p-1}}{i_{p-1}} \binom{n_p-1}{i_p} \binom{n_{p+1}}{i_{p+1}} \dots \\ &\quad \binom{n_{q-1}}{i_{q-1}} \binom{n_q-1}{i_q} \binom{n_{q+1}}{i_{q+1}} \dots \binom{n_k}{i_k}. \end{aligned}$$

# Weighted joining of uniform hypergraphs on a backbone hypergraph

Let  $\mathcal{H}(V, E, W)$  be an  $m$ -uniform hypergraph. We call the hypergraph  $\mathcal{H}_b(V_b, E_b, W_b)$ ,  $V_b = \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$  as a backbone of  $\mathcal{H}$  if  $\mathcal{H}$  can be constructed by a set  $S = \{\mathcal{H}_i(V_i, E_i, W_i) : i = 1, 2, \dots, n\}$ , of  $m$ -uniform hypergraphs, ( $m \geq \max\{|e| : e \in E_b\}$ ) with the following operations :

- 1 Replace vertex  $i$  of  $\mathcal{H}_b$  by  $\mathcal{H}_i$ , for  $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$ .
- 2 For each edge  $e = \{j_1, j_2, \dots, j_k\} \in E_b$ , take  $S_e = \{\mathcal{H}_{j_i} : i = 1, 2, \dots, k\}$  and apply the operation  $\oplus_{S_e}^{W_b(e)}$  defined above.

We call the hypergraphs  $\mathcal{H}_i$ 's as participants on the backbone  $\mathcal{H}_b$  to form the hypergraph  $\mathcal{H}$ . Thus the adjacency matrix for  $\mathcal{H}$  can be written as

$$(A_{\mathcal{H}})_{ij} = \begin{cases} (A_{\mathcal{H}_p})_{ij} + \sum_{e \in E_b, p \in e} W_b(e) d_{pp}^{S_e(m)} & \text{if } i, j \in V_p, i \neq j, \\ 0 & \text{if } i = j, \\ \sum_{e \in E_b, p, q \in e} W_b(e) d_{pq}^{S_e(m)} & \text{if } i \in V_p, j \in V_q, p \neq q. \end{cases}$$

- A matrix  $A$  is called reducible if there exists a permutation matrix  $P$  such that

$$PAP^t = \begin{bmatrix} (B)_{k \times k} & C \\ 0 & (D)_{(n-k) \times (n-k)} \end{bmatrix}$$

otherwise  $A$  is said to be irreducible.

- $\mathcal{H}$  is connected iff  $A_{\mathcal{H}}$  is irreducible.

**Perron-Frobenius Theorem** Let  $A$  be a non-negative irreducible matrix. Then

- $A$  has a positive eigenvalue  $\lambda$  with positive eigenvector.
- $\lambda$  is simple and for any other eigenvalue  $\mu$  of  $A$ ,  $|\mu| \leq \lambda$ .

**Schur complement**

Let  $A$  be an  $n \times n$  matrix partitioned as

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} A_{11} & A_{12} \\ A_{21} & A_{22} \end{bmatrix}$$

where  $A_{11}$  and  $A_{22}$  are square matrices. If  $A_{11}$  and  $A_{22}$  are invertible, then

$$\det(A) = \det(A_{11})\det(A_{22} - A_{12}A_{11}^{-1}A_{21}) \quad (1)$$

$$= \det(A_{22})\det(A_{11} - A_{21}A_{11}^{-1}A_{12}). \quad (2)$$

## Theorem

Let  $\mathcal{H}_b(V_b, E_b, W_b)$  be a hypergraph with the vertex set  $V_b = \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$  and let  $\{\mathcal{H}_i(V_i, E_i, W_i) : i = 1, 2, \dots, n\}$  be a collection of regular  $m$ -uniform hypergraphs ( $m \geq \{|e| : e \in E_b\}$ ). Let  $\mathcal{H}(V, E, W)$  be the  $m$ -uniform hypergraph constructed by taking  $\mathcal{H}_b$  as backbone hypergraph and  $\mathcal{H}_i$ 's as participants. Then for any non-Perron eigenvalue  $\lambda$  of  $A_{\mathcal{H}_p}$  with multiplicity  $l$ ,  $\lambda - \sum_{e \in E_b, p \in e} W_b(e) d_{pp}^{S_e(m)}$  is an eigenvalue of  $A_{\mathcal{H}}$  with the multiplicity at least  $l$ .

## Proof.

Let  $(\lambda, f)$  be an eigenpair of  $A_{\mathcal{H}_p}$ , such that  $f$  is orthogonal to the constant vector  $[1, 1, 1, \dots, 1]^t$ . We define  $f^* : V \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  by

$$f^*(v) = \begin{cases} f(v) & \text{if } v \in V_p, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Thus  $f^*$  is an eigenvector of  $A_{\mathcal{H}}$  corresponding to the eigenvalue  $\lambda - \sum_{e \in E_b, p \in e} w_e d_{pp}^{S_e(m)}$ . Since  $\sum_{i \in V_p} f(i) = 0$ , thus the proof follows. □

When  $\mathcal{H}_i(V_i, E_i, W_i)$ 's are regular, the partition  $\pi = \{V_1, V_2, \dots, V_n\}$  forms an equitable partition for  $\mathcal{H}$ . In particular if  $\mathcal{H}_i$ 's are  $r_i$  regular then the quotient matrix  $B$  is as follows

$$(B)_{pq} = \begin{cases} r_p + (n_p - 1) \sum_{e \in E_b, p \in e} W_b(e) d_{pp}^{S_e(m)} & \text{if } p = q, \\ n_q \sum_{e \in E_b, p, q \in e} w_b(e) d_{pq}^{S_e(m)} & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases} \quad (3)$$

Let  $\{g_i | i = 1, 2, \dots, n\}$  be a set of linearly independent eigenvectors of  $B$ . Then  $\{Pg_i | i = 1, 2, \dots, n\}$  is also a set of linearly independent eigenvectors of  $A_{\mathcal{H}}$ . Now from the proof of Theorem 1 we have  $N := \sum_{i=1}^n n_i - n$  linearly independent eigenvectors  $\{f_i^* | i = 1, 2, \dots, N\}$  of  $A_{\mathcal{H}}$ . So we have a set  $\{Pg_i | i = 1, 2, \dots, n\} \cup \{f_i^* | i = 1, 2, \dots, N\}$  of  $\sum_{i=1}^n n_i$  eigenvectors of  $A_{\mathcal{H}}$ . Now we show that this set is linearly independent. Here for all  $i, j$

$$\begin{aligned} \langle f_i^*, Pg_j \rangle &= \sum_{p=1}^n \left( \sum_{k \in V_p} f_i^*(k) \right) C_{j_p} \quad [\because Pg_j(k) = C_{j_p}, \text{ constant for all } k \in V_p.] \\ &= 0 \quad [\because \sum_{k \in V_p} f_i^*(k) = 0.] \end{aligned}$$

Therefore in Theorem 1 the remaining  $n$  eigenvalues of  $A_{\mathcal{H}}$  can be obtained from  $B$ .

## Corollary

Let  $S = \{\mathcal{H}_i(V_i, E_i, W_i) : 1 \leq i \leq k \leq m\}$  be a set of  $m$ -uniform hypergraphs where  $\mathcal{H}_i$  are  $r_i$ -regular. Let  $\mathcal{H} = \bigoplus_{\mathcal{H}_i \in S}^{w_s} \mathcal{H}_i$ . Then for any non-perron eigenvalue  $\lambda$  of  $A_{\mathcal{H}_i}$  with the multiplicity  $l$ ,  $\lambda - w_s d_{ii}^{S(m)}$  is an eigenvalue of  $A_{\mathcal{H}}$  with multiplicity atleast  $l$ .

Note that the remaining  $k$  eigenvalues can be obtained from the quotient matrix  $B$  defined as

$$(B)_{pq} = \begin{cases} r_p + (n_p - 1)w_s d_{pp}^{S(m)} & \text{if } p = q, \\ n_q w_s d_{pq}^{S(m)} & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

## Example

Take  $\mathcal{H}_i = \overline{K}_{n_i}^m$ ,  $1 \leq i \leq k \leq m$ ,  $S = \{\mathcal{H}_i : i = 1, 2, \dots, k\}$  and  $w_s = 1$ . Then  $\bigoplus_{\mathcal{H}_i \in S}^1 \mathcal{H}_i = K_{n_1, n_2, \dots, n_k}^m$ , which is the weak  $m$ -uniform  $k$ -partite complete hypergraph. Using the above corollary we get that for any  $i = 1, 2, \dots, k$ ;  $-d_{pp}^{S(m)}$  is an eigenvalue of  $A_{K_{n_1, n_2, \dots, n_k}^m}$  with the multiplicity atleast  $(n_i - 1)$  for  $i = 1, 2, \dots, k$ . The remaining eigenvalues of  $A_{K_{n_1, n_2, \dots, n_k}^m}$  are the eigenvalues of the quotient matrix  $B$ , defined as

$$(B)_{pq} = \begin{cases} (n_p - 1)d_{pp}^{S(m)} & \text{if } p = q, \\ n_q d_{pq}^{S(m)} & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

- In the above example, if we take  $k = m$ , we have 0 as an eigenvalue of  $A_{K_{n_1, n_2, \dots, n_m}^m}$  with the multiplicity at least  $\sum_{i=1}^m n_i - m$ . Here, the quotient matrix formed by the equitable partition  $\pi = \{V_1, V_2, \dots, V_m\}$  and which is given by

$$B = \frac{1}{m-1} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & s_1 & \cdots & s_1 & s_1 \\ s_2 & 0 & \cdots & s_2 & s_2 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \vdots \\ s_m & s_m & \cdots & s_m & 0 \end{bmatrix},$$

where  $s_i = \prod_{j=1, j \neq i}^m n_j$ .

- Note that  $\alpha (\neq 0) \in \text{spec}(K_{n_1, n_2, \dots, n_m}^m)$  if and only if  $r^{m-1} \alpha \in \text{spec}(K_{rn_1, rn_2, \dots, rn_m}^m)$  for  $r \in \mathbb{N}$ .

- Let  $\mathcal{H} = K_{\underbrace{n_1, n_1, \dots, n_1}_{l_1}, \underbrace{n_2, n_2, \dots, n_2}_{l_2}}$ , where  $l_1 + l_2 = m$ . Then the quotient matrix  $B$  for

the equitable partition formed by the  $m$ -parts of  $\mathcal{H}$  can be written as  $B = \frac{1}{m-1}B'$ , where  $B'$  is given by

$$\begin{bmatrix} s_1(J_{l_1} - I_{l_1}) & s_1 J_{l_1 \times l_2} \\ s_2 J_{l_2 \times l_1} & s_2(J_{l_2} - I_{l_2}) \end{bmatrix},$$

where  $s_1 = n_1^{l_1-1} n_2^{l_2}$ ,  $s_2 = n_1^{l_1} n_2^{l_2-1}$ .

- We have the characteristic polynomial of  $B'$  as follows

$$\begin{aligned} f_{B'}(x) &= \det(B' - xI) \\ &= \det\left(s_2 J_{l_2} - (s_2 - x)I\right) \det\left(s_1 J_{l_1} - (s_1 + x)I - s_1 s_2 J_{l_1 \times l_2} (s_2 J_{l_2} - (s_2 + x)I)^{-1} J_{l_2 \times l_1}\right) \\ &= (-1)^{m-2} (x + s_1)^{l_1-1} (x + s_2)^{l_2-1} (x - a^+) (x - a^-), \end{aligned}$$

where  $a^\pm = \frac{1}{2} \left[ s_1(l_1 - 1) + s_2(l_2 - 1) \pm \sqrt{\{s_1(l_1 - 1) + s_2(l_2 - 1)\}^2 + 4s_1 s_2(l_1 + l_2 - 1)} \right]$ .

Thus the eigenvalues of  $\mathcal{H}$  are  $\frac{-s_i}{m-1}$  with the multiplicity  $l_i - 1$  for  $i = 1, 2$  and  $\frac{a^\pm}{m-1}$  with the multiplicity 1

Using a result (1) from R. B. Bapat, M. Karimi. Integral complete multipartite graphs. Linear Algebra and its Applications, 549: 1-11, 2018 we have the following result

## Proposition

Characteristic polynomial of  $K_{n_1, n_2, \dots, n_m}^m$  is  $x^{n-m} \left( x^m - \sum_{i=2}^m \frac{i-1}{(m-1)^i} \sigma_i(s_1, s_2, \dots, s_m) x^{m-i} \right)$

where  $n = \sum_{i=1}^m n_i$ ,  $s_i = \prod_{j=1, j \neq i}^m n_j$  and  $\sigma_i(s_1, s_2, \dots, s_m) = \sum_{1 \leq j_1 < j_2 < \dots < j_i \leq m} s_{j_1} s_{j_2} \dots s_{j_i}$ .

- From the above result it is clear that the quotient matrix  $B$  is non-singular. Hence the multiplicity of eigenvalue 0 of  $K_{n_1, n_2, \dots, n_m}^m$  is  $n - m$ .

Let  $\mathcal{H}_0(V_0, E_0)$  be an  $m$ -uniform hypergraph with the edge set  $E_0 = \{e_1, e_2, \dots, e_k\}$  and  $|V_0| = n_0$ . Also let  $\mathcal{H}_i(V_i, E_i)$  ( $i = 1, 2, \dots, k$ ) be  $m$ -uniform hypergraphs. For each  $i = 1, 2, \dots, k$  we consider  $e_i \oplus \mathcal{H}_i$ . The new hypergraph is known as the **edge corona** of hypergraphs and we write it by  $\mathcal{H} = \mathcal{H}_0 \square^k \mathcal{H}_i$ . When  $|V_i| = n_1$  for all  $i = 1, \dots, k$ , we write  $D_i = A_{\mathcal{H}_i} + c(J_{n_1} - I_{n_1})$ , take  $D = \text{diag}(D_1, D_2, \dots, D_k)$ ,  $R =$  vertex-edge incidence matrix, for  $\mathcal{H}_0$ ,  $1_{n_1} = [1, 1, \dots, 1]$  row vector of length  $n_1$ ,  $a = \binom{m+n_1-2}{m-2} - 1$ ,  
 $b = \frac{1}{m-1} \binom{n+n_1-2}{m-2}$ ,  $c = \binom{m+n_1-2}{m-2} - \binom{n_1-2}{m-2}$ .

## Theorem

Let  $\mathcal{H}_0(V_0, E_0)$  be an  $m$ -uniform hypergraph with  $|V_0| = n$ ,  $|E_0| = k$ . Let  $\{\mathcal{H}_i(V_i, E_i) : 1 \leq i \leq k, |V_i| = n_1\}$  be a set of  $m$ -uniform hypergraphs. Then the characteristic polynomial of  $A_{\mathcal{H}}$  for the edge corona  $\mathcal{H} = \mathcal{H}_0 \square^k \mathcal{H}_i$  is as follows

$$f_{\mathcal{H}}(x) = \det(D - xI_{kn_1}) \det(\{(a+1)A_{\mathcal{H}_0} - xI_n - b^2(R \otimes 1_{n_1})(D - xI_{kn_1})^{-1}(R^T \otimes 1_{n_1}^T)\}). \quad (4)$$

## Corollary

Let  $\mathcal{H}_i$ 's be  $r_1$ -regular hypergraphs and  $\text{spec}(A_{\mathcal{H}_i}) = \{\lambda_i^{(1)}, \lambda_i^{(2)}, \dots, \lambda_i^{(n_1)} (= r_1)\}$ . Then the characteristic polynomial of  $\mathcal{H}$  can be given by

$$f_{\mathcal{H}}(x) = \{r_1 + (n_1 - 1)c - x\}^{k-n} \det \left( \beta_1(x) A_{\mathcal{H}_0} - b^2 n_1 D_d + \beta_2(x) I_n \right) \prod_{i=1}^k \prod_{j=1}^{n_1-1} (\lambda_i^{(j)} - c - x), \quad (5)$$

where  $D_d = \text{diag}(d_1, d_2, \dots, d_n)$  where  $d_i$  denote the degree of vertices of  $A_{\mathcal{H}_0}$ ,  $\beta_1(x) = (a+1)\{r_1 + (n_1 - 1)c - x\} - (m-1)b^2 n_1$ ,  $\beta_2(x) = x\{x - r_1 - (n_1 - 1)c\}$ .

## Corollary

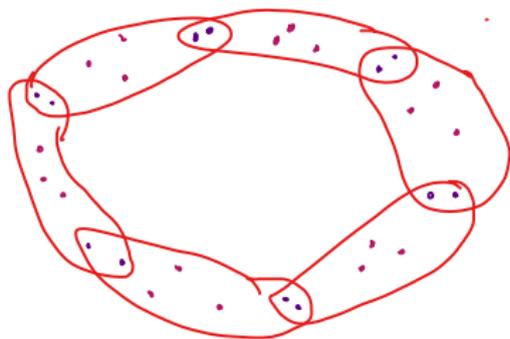
Let  $\mathcal{H}_i$ 's be the hypergraphs mentioned in the above corollary and  $\mathcal{H}_0$  be  $r$ -regular with  $\text{spec}(A_{\mathcal{H}_0}) = \{\mu_1, \mu_2, \dots, \mu_n (= r)\}$ . Then the adjacency eigenvalues of  $\mathcal{H}$  are  $r_1 + (n_1 - 1)c$  with the multiplicity  $k - n$ ,  $\lambda_i^{(j)}$  with the multiplicity one, for all

$i = 1, 2, \dots, k$ ,  $j = 1, 2, \dots, n_1 - 1$  and  $\beta_j^{\pm}$  with the multiplicity one for  $j = 1, 2, \dots, n$ , where

$$\beta_j^{\pm} = \frac{1}{2} \left[ r_1 + (n_1 - 1)c + (a+1)\mu_j \pm \sqrt{\{r_1 + (n_1 - 1)c - (a+1)\mu_j\}^2 + 4b^2 n_1 \{(m-1)\mu_j + r\}} \right].$$

Generalized  $s$ -loose path  $P_{L(s;n)}^{(m)}$  is an  $m$ -uniform hypergraph with the vertex set  $V = \{1, 2, \dots, m + (n - 1)(m - 1)\}$  and edge set the  $E = \{\{i(m - s) + 1, i(m - s) + 2, \dots, i(m - s) + m\} : i = 0, 1, \dots, n - 1\}$  [Peng2016]. For  $s = 1$ ,  $P_{L(1;n)}^{(m)}$  is known as loose path. Similarly, generalized  $s$ -loose cycle  $C_{L(s;n)}^m$  is an  $m$ -uniform hypergraph with the vertex set  $V = \{1, 2, \dots, n(m - s)\}$  and the edge set  $\{\{i(m - s) + 1, \dots, i(m - s) + m\} : i = 0, 1, \dots, n - 1\} \cup \{n(m - s) - s + 1, n(m - s) - s + 2, \dots, n(m - s), 1, 2, \dots, s\}$ .

# Loose cycle



$$s=2, n=6,$$

$$m=7$$

$$C(7)$$
$$L(2; 6)$$

## Theorem

The adjacency eigenvalues of an  $s$ -loose cycle  $C_{L(s;n)}^{(m)}$ , are

- 1  $\frac{-2}{2s-1}$  with the multiplicity  $n(s-1)$  and  $\frac{2}{2s-1}(s-1 + s \cos \frac{2\pi i}{n})$  with the multiplicity one, for  $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$ , when  $m = 2s$  and
- 2  $\frac{-1}{m-1}$  with the multiplicity at least  $n(m-2s-1)$ ,  $\frac{-2}{m-1}$  with the multiplicity at least  $n(s-1)$  and  $\gamma_i^+, \gamma_i^-$  with the multiplicity at least one, where,

$$\gamma_i^{\pm} = \frac{1}{2} \left[ m - 3 + 2s \cos \frac{2\pi i}{n} \pm \sqrt{(m - 3 + 2s \cos \frac{2\pi i}{n})^2 + 8(m - s - 1 + s \cos \frac{2\pi i}{n})} \right],$$

for  $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$ , when  $m \geq 2s + 1$ .

## Proof.

- Case  $m = 2s$ :** Let  $\mathcal{H} = C_{L(s;n)}^{(2s)}$ . In the Theorem 1 take  $\mathcal{H}_b = C_n$ , the cycle graph over  $n$  vertices, and  $\mathcal{H}_i = K_s$ , the complete graph with  $s$ -vertices with each edge weight two. Then the resultant hypergraph is a graph,  $G$  (say). Hence  $A_{\mathcal{H}} = \frac{1}{2s-1} A_G$ . Thus  $\frac{-2}{2s-1}$  is an eigenvalue of  $A_{\mathcal{H}}$  with the multiplicity atleast  $n(s-1)$ . The quotient matrix is  $B = \frac{1}{2s-1} \{sA_{C_n} + 2(s-1)I_n\}$ . The remaining eigenvalues of  $A_{\mathcal{H}}$  are  $\frac{2}{2s-1} (s-1 + s \cos \frac{2\pi i}{n})$  for  $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$ .
- Case  $m \geq 2s + 1$ :** Let  $\mathcal{H}_b = C_n \square^n K_1$  and  $\mathcal{H} = C_{L(s;n)}^{(m)}$ . We take the vertices of  $\mathcal{H}_b$  as  $V(C_n) = \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$  and  $V(G_b) \setminus V(C_n) = \{n+1, n+2, \dots, 2n\}$ . For  $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$ , we take  $\mathcal{H}_i = K_s$ , the complete graph with  $s$  vertices with edge weight 1, and for  $i = n+1, \dots, 2n$ , take  $G_i = K_{m-2s}$  with edge weight 2. Considering  $\mathcal{H}_b$  as backbone graph with each edge weight one and  $G_i$ 's as participants, we get a graph  $G$  (say). Then  $A_{\mathcal{H}} = \frac{1}{m-1} A_G$ . Now using the Theorem 1 we get the eigenvalues of  $A_G$  which are  $-1$  with the multiplicity atleast  $n(m-2s-1)$  and  $-2$  with multiplicity  $n(s-1)$ .



## Proof.

Next using Equation (3) we have the remaining  $2n$  eigenvalues are the eigenvalues of the quotient matrix  $B$  given by

$$(B)_{pq} = \frac{1}{m-1} \begin{cases} r_q & \text{if } p = q, \\ n_q & \text{if } p \sim q \text{ in } G_B, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases}$$

where  $r_q = 2s - 2$ ,  $n_q = s$  for  $q = 1, 2, \dots, n$  and  $r_q = m - 2s - 1$ ,  $n_q = m - 2s$  for  $q = n + 1, \dots, 2n$ . We write

$$B = \frac{1}{m-1} \begin{bmatrix} (2s-2)I_n + sA_{C_n} & t(I_n + Y) \\ s(I_n + Y^t) & (t-1)I_n \end{bmatrix},$$

where  $t = m - 2s$ ,  $A_{C_n}$  is the adjacency matrix of an  $n$ -cycle  $C_n$  and  $Y$  is the  $n \times n$  circulant matrix with the first row  $[0, 0, \dots, 1]$ . We suppose  $B = \frac{1}{m-1} B'$ . Then using Lemma 9 and the fact  $(I_n + Y)(I_n + Y^t) = 2I_n + A_{C_n}$  we have the characteristic polynomial of  $B'$ , as follows

$$\begin{aligned} f_{B'}(x) &= \det(B' - xI_n) \\ &= \det(\{(t-1-x)I_n\}) \det(\{sA_{C_n} + (2s-2-x)I_n - \frac{st}{t-1-x}(I_n + Y)(I_n + Y^t)\}) \\ &= \det(\{x^2 - (2s+t-3)x - (2s+2t-2)\}) \det(I_n - (s+sx)A_{C_n}). \end{aligned} \quad (6)$$



The eigenvalues of  $A_{C_n}$  are  $\mu_i = 2 \cos \frac{2\pi i}{n}$ ,  $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$ . Thus from the Equation (6) we have

$$\begin{aligned} f_{B'}(x) &= \prod_{i=1}^n \{x^2 - (2s + t - 3 + s\mu_i)x - (2s + 2t - 2 + s\mu_i)\} \\ &= \prod_{i=1}^n (x - \gamma_i^+)(x - \gamma_i^-). \end{aligned} \quad (7)$$

Question: What are the adjacency eigenvalues of  $C_{L(s;n)}^m$  for  $m \leq 2s - 1$ ?

## Lemma

For a square matrix  $A$  we have

$$\det(A + \sum_{i=1,n} u_{ii} E_{ii}) = \det(A) + \sum_{i=1,n} u_{ii} \det(A(i|i)) + u_{11} u_{nn} \det(A(1, n|1, n)), \quad (8)$$

where  $A(i|j)$  is the matrix obtained from  $A$  by deleting the  $i$ -th row and  $j$ -th column, respectively, and  $E_{i,j}$  is the matrix with 1 in  $(i,j)$ -th position and zero elsewhere.

## Theorem

The adjacency eigenvalues of an  $s$ -loose path  $P_{L(s,n)}^m$  are

- ①  $\frac{-1}{m-1}$  with the multiplicity at least  $n(m-1) - 2s(n-1)$ ,  $\frac{-2}{m-1}$  with the multiplicity at least  $(n-1)(s-1)$  and  $\frac{\alpha_i}{m-1}$  with the multiplicity one, for  $i = 1, 2, \dots, 2n-1$ , where  $\alpha_i$ 's are the zeros of the polynomial

$$\frac{(m-s-1-x)^2 f_1(x) + 2s^2(1+x)(m-s-1-x)f_2(x) + s^4(1+x)^2 f_3(x)}{m-2s-1-x},$$

where

$$f_j(x) = \prod_{i=1}^{n-j} \left\{ x^2 - (m-3 + 2s \cos \frac{\pi i}{n-j+1})x - 2(m-s-1-x + s \cos \frac{\pi i}{n-j+1}) \right\}.$$

for  $j = 1, 2, 3$ , when  $m \geq 2s+1$  and

- ②  $\frac{-1}{m-1}$  with the multiplicity  $2(s-1)$ ,  $\frac{-2}{m-1}$  with multiplicity  $(n-1)(s-1)$  and  $\frac{\beta_i}{2s-1}$  with the multiplicity one, where  $\beta_i$  are the zeros of the polynomial  $(x-s+1)^2 t_1(x) + 2s^2(x-s+1)t_2(x) + s^4 t_3(x)$ , where

$$t_j(x) = \prod_{i=1}^{n-j} \left( 2s-2-x + 2s \cos \frac{\pi i}{n-j+1} \right), \text{ for } j = 1, 2, 3 \text{ when } m = 2s.$$

- Let  $\mathcal{H}(V, E)$  be an  $m$ -uniform hypergraph. A subhypergraph induced by  $V' \subset V$  is the hypergraph  $\mathcal{H}[V']$  with the vertex set  $V'$  and edge set  $E' = \{e : e \in E, e \subset V'\}$ . Now for  $V' \subset V$  and a hypergraph  $\mathcal{H}''(V'', E'')$ , we denote  $V' \oplus \mathcal{H}''$  as the hypergraph with the vertex set  $V' \cup V''$  and edge set  $E(\mathcal{H}[V'] \oplus \mathcal{H}'') \cup E(\mathcal{H})$ .
- Let  $\mathcal{H}_0(V_0, E_0)$  be an  $m$ -uniform hypergraph and  $\pi = \{V_0^{(1)}, V_0^{(2)}, \dots, V_0^{(k)}\}$  be a partition of  $V_0 = \{1, 2, \dots, n(=pk)\}$  with  $V_0^{(i)} = \{(i-1)p+1, (i-1)p+2, \dots, ip\}$  for  $i = 1, 2, \dots, k$ . Also let  $\{\mathcal{H}_i(V_i, E_i) : 1 \leq i \leq k\}$  be a set of  $m$ -uniform hypergraphs with  $|V_i| = n_i$ . For each  $i = 1, 2, \dots, k$ , we take  $p$  copies,  $\{\mathcal{H}_i^{(j)}(V_i^{(j)}, E_i^{(j)}) : j = 1, 2, \dots, p\}$ , of  $\mathcal{H}_i(V_i, E_i)$ . Then we consider  $V_0^{(i)} \oplus \mathcal{H}_i^{(j)}(V_i^{(j)}, E_i^{(j)})$  for all  $i = 1, 2, \dots, k, j = 1, 2, \dots, p$ . This gives us an  $m$ -uniform hypergraph  $\mathcal{H}_\pi(V, E)$  which is called **generalized corona** of hypergraphs and we write  $\mathcal{H}_\pi = \mathcal{H}_0 \circ_p^k \mathcal{H}_i$ .
- Here, we consider the case when  $n_i = n_1$  and  $\mathcal{H}_i$ 's are  $r_1$ -regular. Now to find the characteristic polynomial we have the following theorem. We denote  $a = \frac{p}{m-1} \left[ \binom{n+n_1-2}{m-2} - \binom{n}{m-2} \right]$ ,  $b = \binom{n+n_1-2}{m-1}$ ,  $c = \frac{1}{m-1} \left[ \binom{n+n_1-2}{m-2} - \binom{n_1-2}{m-2} \right]$ ,  $D_i = A_{\mathcal{H}_i} + c(J_{n_1} - I_{n_1})$ ,  $D = \text{diag}(I_p \otimes D_1, I_p \otimes D_2, \dots, I_p \otimes D_k)$  and  $S = I_k \otimes J_{p \times pn_1}$ . The kronecker product  $A \otimes B$  between two matrices  $A = (a_{ij})$  and  $B = (b_{pq})$  is defined as the partition matrix  $(a_{ij}B)$ . For matrices  $A, B, C$  and  $D$  we have  $AB \otimes CD = (A \otimes C)(B \otimes D)$ , when multiplication makes sense.

## Theorem

Characteristic polynomial of  $A_{\mathcal{H}_\pi}$  can be expressed as

$$f_{\mathcal{H}_\pi}(x) = \left( \prod_{i=1}^k \det(D_i - xI_{n_1}) \right)^p \det \left( A_{\mathcal{H}_0} + I_k \otimes \left( \left( a - \frac{b^2 p n_1}{r_1 + (n_1 - 1)c - x} \right) J_p - (a + x) I_p \right) \right). \quad (9)$$

## Corollary

Let  $p=1$  and  $\text{spec}(A_{\mathcal{H}_0}) = \{\mu_i : i = 1, 2, \dots, n\}$ ,  $\text{spec}(A_{\mathcal{H}_i}) = \{\lambda_1^{(i)}, \lambda_2^{(i)}, \dots, \lambda_{n_1}^{(i)} (= r_1)\}$ . Then the adjacency eigenvalues of  $\mathcal{H}_\pi = \mathcal{H}_0 \circ_1^n \mathcal{H}_i$  are  $\lambda_j^{(i)} - c$  with the multiplicity one for  $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$   $j = 1, 2, \dots, n_1 - 1$  and  $\alpha_i^\pm$  with the multiplicity one for  $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$  where  $\alpha_i^\pm = \frac{1}{2} \left[ r_1 + (n_1 - 1)c + \mu_i \pm \sqrt{\{r_1 + (n_1 - 1)c - \mu_i\}^2 + 4b^2 n_1} \right]$ .

## Corollary

Let  $k = 1$  and  $\mathcal{H}_0$  be  $r_0$ -regular. Let

$\text{spec}(A_{\mathcal{H}_0}) = \{\mu_1, \mu_2, \dots, \mu_n (= r_0)\}$ ,  $\text{spec}(A_{\mathcal{H}_1}) = \{\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_{n_1} (= r_1)\}$  and  $\mathcal{H}_\pi = \mathcal{H}_0 \circ^1 \mathcal{H}_1$ . Then the adjacency eigenvalues of  $\mathcal{H}_\pi$  are given by  $r_1 + (n_1 - 1)c$  with the multiplicity  $n - 1$ ,  $\lambda_i$  with the multiplicity  $n$  for  $i = 1, 2, \dots, n_1 - 1$ ,  $\mu_j$  with the multiplicity one for  $j = 1, 2, \dots, n - 1$  and  $\alpha^\pm$  with the multiplicity one where

$$\alpha^\pm = \frac{1}{2} \left[ r_1 + (n_1 - 1)c + r_0 + (n - 1)a \pm \sqrt{\{r_1 - r_0 + (n_1 - 1)c - (n - 1)a\}^2 + 4b^2nn_1} \right].$$

Let  $V_0 = \{1, 2, \dots, 8\}$ ,  $E_0^{(1)} = \{\{1, 2, 3\}, \{3, 4, 5\}, \{5, 6, 1\}, \{2, 4, 6\}, \{7, 8, 3\}, \{7, 8, 4\}, \{7, 8, 5\}\}$  and  $E_0^{(2)} = \{\{1, 2, 3\}, \{3, 4, 5\}, \{5, 6, 1\}, \{2, 4, 6\}, \{7, 8, 1\}, \{7, 8, 2\}, \{7, 8, 6\}\}$ . Then  $\mathcal{H}_0(V_0, E_0^{(1)})$  and  $\mathcal{G}_0(V_0, E_0^{(1)})$  are non-isomorphic cospectral 3-uniform hypergraphs.

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