

# Collaborative Spectral Clustering in Attributed Networks

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**Abstract:** We proposed a novel spectral clustering algorithm for attributed networks, where  $n$  nodes split into  $R$  non-overlapping communities and each node has a  $p$ -dimensional meta covariate from various of formats such as text, image, speech etc.. The connectivity matrix  $W_{\{n \times n\}}$  is constructed with the adjacent matrix  $A_{\{n \times n\}}$  and covariate matrix  $X_{\{n \times p\}}$ , and  $W = (1-\alpha)A + \alpha K(X, X')$ , where  $\alpha$  in  $[0, 1]$  is a tuning parameter and  $K$  is a Kernel to measure the covariate similarities. We then perform the classical  $k$ -means algorithm on the element-wise ratio matrix of the first  $K$  leading eigenvector of  $W$ . Theoretical and simulation studies showed the consistent performance under both Stochastic Block Model (SBM) and Degree-Corrected Block Model (DCBM), especially in imbalanced networks where most community detection algorithms fail.