## AMSC/MATH 420, Spring 2017 Second Solo Homework: Introduction to the Thread

Due Thursday, February 9

**Exercise 1.** Compute  $m_i$ ,  $v_{ij}$ , and  $c_{ij}$  for each of the following groups of assests based on adjusted daily closing price data with uniform weights:

- (i) VITSX, VFIUX, and VGSLX in 2016.
- (ii) VITSX, VFIUX, and VGSLX in 2015 and 2016.
- (iii) VITSX, VFIUX, VGSLX, Apple, Exxon-Mobil, and UPS in 2016.
- (iv) VITSX, VFIUX, VGSLX, Apple, Exxon-Mobil, and UPS in 2015 and 2016.
  - a. Describe the assets VITSX, VFIUX, and VGSLX. Display  $m_i$  as a 3-vector and  $v_{ij}$  and  $c_{ij}$  as  $3 \times 3$ -matrices for groups (i) and (ii). Explain the differences between these objects for groups (i) and (ii).
  - b. Compute a complete set of eigenpairs of the  $3 \times 3$ -matrices  $\{v_{ij}\}$  for groups (i) and (ii). What conclusions do you draw from these?
  - c. Display  $m_i$  as a 6-vector and  $v_{ij}$  and  $c_{ij}$  as  $6 \times 6$ -matrices for groups (iii) and (iv). Explain the differences between these objects for groups (iii) and (iv).
  - d. Compute a complete set of eigenpairs for the  $6 \times 6$ -matrices  $\{v_{ij}\}$  for groups (iii) and (iv). What conclusions do you draw from these?
  - e. Give short explanations for the values of  $c_{ij}$  that you computed for groups (iii) and (iv).

**Exercise 2.** Consider the three undirected hexagonal graphs shown in Figures 1, 2, and 3. They are each built from a hexagon, with a center added for the graph in Figure 2.

- a. For each graph find the number of vertices n, the number of edges m, and write down the list of vertices  $\mathcal{V}$  and the list of edges  $\mathcal{E}$ .
- b. For each graph compute the graph Laplacian  $\Delta$ , the normalized graph Laplacian  $\tilde{\Delta}$  and the normalized asymmetric Laplacian  $\tilde{L}$ .
- c. For each graph compute a complete set of eigenpairs for each of the Laplacian matrices  $\Delta$ ,  $\tilde{\Delta}$ , and  $\tilde{L}$ .
- d. Explain how the symmetry of the graphs is reflected in the spectra of the matrices that was computed in part c.
- e. Repeat parts b and c for the analogous graphs built from a regular polygon with 100 vertices. Can you guess the spectrum of the Laplacian matrices in the general case of n vertices?



Figure 1: A Hexagonal Graph



Figure 2: A Hexagonal Graph plus Star



Figure 3: A Hexagonal Complete Graph