A Proof of Lemma 4.2

The regularization is:

$$\sum_{i=1}^{N} \sum_{j=1}^{N} \|C_{i} - C_{j}\|_{2}^{2} = \sum_{i=1}^{N} \sum_{j=1}^{N} (C_{i}^{T} C_{i} - 2C_{i}^{T} C_{j} + C_{i}^{T} C_{i})$$

$$= 2N \sum_{i=1}^{N} C_{i}^{T} C_{i} - 2 \sum_{i=1}^{N} \sum_{j=1}^{N} C_{i}^{T} C_{j}$$

$$= 2N \sum_{i=1}^{N} C_{i}^{T} (C_{i} - \frac{1}{N} \sum_{j=1}^{N} C_{j}) = 2N \sum_{i=1}^{N} C_{i}^{T} (C_{i} - \bar{C})$$

$$\stackrel{(*)}{=} 2N \sum_{j=1}^{N} \|C_{i} - \bar{C}\|_{2}^{2},$$

$$(21)$$

where (*) derives from the equality $\sum_{i=1}^N \bar{C}^T(C_i - \bar{C}) = 0$. Hence, the regularization is used to maximize the sample variance. Assume that only samples are accessible to the target distribution $\mathrm{Dir}(\beta)$, we consider the variance instead (i.e., $\mathbb{E}_{C_i \sim \mathrm{Dir}(\beta)}[\sum_{i=1}^N \|C_i - \bar{C}\|_2^2]$). To simplify the notation (i.e., ignore the constant),

$$\mathbb{E}_{x \sim \text{Dir}(\beta)}[(x - \mathbb{E}[x])^T (x - \mathbb{E}[x])] = \sum_{k=1}^K \text{Var}(x_k) = \sum_{k=1}^K \frac{\beta_k (\beta_0 - \beta_k)}{\beta_0^2 (\beta_0 + 1)}.$$
 (22)

Here, we have $\beta_0 = \sum_{k=1}^K \beta_k$. We want to investigate the effect of adding this regularization w.r.t. to parameter β . Alternatively, we consider the optimization problem as below,

$$\max_{\beta} \sum_{k=1}^{K} \frac{\beta_k (\beta_0 - \beta_k)}{\beta_0^2 (\beta_0 + 1)}$$
s.t. $\beta_k \ge 0, \forall k \in [K].$ (23)

Then, we have $t^* = \sum_{k=1}^K \beta_k^*$ where β^* is the optimal point. We take a step towards the following convex problem,

$$\min_{\beta} - \sum_{k=1}^{K} \beta_k (t^* - \beta_k)$$
s.t.
$$\sum_{k=1}^{K} \beta_k = t^*,$$

$$\beta_k \ge 0, \forall k \in [K].$$
(24)

As the slater condition holds, KKT condition is necessary and sufficient. The so-called augmented Lagrangian function is

$$L(\beta, \nu, \pi) = -\sum_{k=1}^{K} \beta_k (t^* - \beta_k) + \nu (\sum_{k=1}^{K} \beta_k - t^*) - \sum_{k=1}^{K} \pi_k \beta_k.$$

The KKT condition is

$$\begin{cases}
-t^* + 2\beta_k + \nu - \pi_k = 0, \forall k \in [K] \\
\sum_{k=1}^{K} \beta_k - t^* = 0, \\
\pi_k \beta_k = 0, \beta_k \ge 0, \pi_k \ge 0 \,\forall k \in [K]
\end{cases}$$
(25)

Consider the case $\pi_k = 0, \beta_k > 0$, we have $\beta_k^* = \frac{t^*}{K}, \nu^* = \frac{K-2}{K}t^*$. We come back to the original problem,

$$\sum_{k=1}^{K} \frac{\beta_k (\beta_0 - \beta_k)}{\beta_0^2 (\beta_0 + 1)} = \frac{K - 1}{Kt^*}.$$

Overall, maximizing this component enforces $t^* \to 0$ and all equal parameters for the Dirichlet distributions.

B Proof of Proposition 5.1

The distance between an arbitrary spectral filter $g(\lambda)$ and the ideal low pass filter $g_{\rm id}(\lambda)$ in Eq. 4 is defined as,

Distance
$$(g, g_{id}) = \int_0^{\lambda_K} (1 - g(\lambda))^2 d\lambda + \int_{\lambda_K}^2 (0 - g(\lambda))^2 d\lambda.$$
 (26)

Intuitively, this definition computes the squared Euclidean distance between $g(\cdot)$ and $g_{id}(\cdot)$. Thus, the distance between GCN $g_c(\cdot)$ and the ideal low pass $g_{id}(\cdot)$ is:

Distance
$$(g_c, g_{id}) = \int_0^{\lambda_K} (1 - (1 - \lambda))^2 d\lambda + \int_{\lambda_K}^2 (0 - (1 - \lambda))^2 d\lambda$$

= $\lambda_K^2 - \lambda_K + \frac{2}{3}$ (27)

The distance between Heatts $g_s(\cdot)$ and the ideal low pass $g_{\mathrm{id}}(\cdot)$:

Distance
$$(g_s, g_{id}) = \int_0^{\lambda_K} (-s\lambda + \frac{1}{2}s^2\lambda^2 - \frac{1}{6}s^3\lambda^3)^2 d\lambda + \int_{\lambda_K}^2 (1 - s\lambda + \frac{1}{2}s^2\lambda^2 - \frac{1}{6}s^3\lambda^3)^2 d\lambda$$
 (28)

Our purpose is to derive value range of s such that Distance (g_s, g_{id}) is always smaller than Distance (g_c, g_{id}) .

$$Distance(g_s, g_{id}) - Distance(g_c, g_{id}) \ge 0$$
(29)

The solution is $0.672 \le s \le 1.321$

As shown in Figure 4, Heatts is always closer to the ideal low pass $g_{id}(\cdot)$ when $s \in [0.672, 1.321]$.

Table 3: Statistics of data sets used in graph clustering

| Data | Nodes | Edges | Classes | features |
|----------|--------|--------|---------|----------|
| Pubmed | 19,717 | 44,338 | 3 | 500 |
| Citeseer | 3,327 | 4,732 | 6 | 3,703 |
| Wiki | 2,405 | 17,981 | 17 | 4,973 |

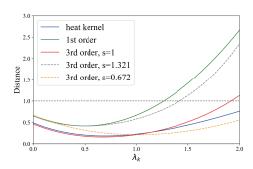


Figure 4: The distance between spectral filters and the ideal low pass