GRAPH/NODE EMBEDDING

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VARIANT

- We can differentiate:
 - Node embedding
 - Edge Embedding
 - Substructure embedding
 - Whole graph Embedding
- In this course, only node embedding (often called graph embedding)



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IN CONCRETETERMS

- A graph is composed of
 - Nodes (possibly with labels)
 - Edges (possibly directed, weighted, with labels)
- A graph/node embedding technique in d dimensions will assign a vector of length d to each node, that will be useful for *what we want to do with the graph*.
 - It captures some aspect of the network structure
- A vector can be assigned to an edge (*u*,*v*) by combining vectors of *u* and *v*

WHAT TO DO WITH EMBEDDINGS?

- Two possible ways to use an embedding:
 - Unsupervised learning:
 - The distance between vectors in the embedding is used for *something*
 - Supervised learning:
 - Algorithm learn to predict *something* from the features in the embedding

WHAT CAN WE DO WITH EMBEDDINGS ?

EMBEDDINGTASKS

Common tasks:

- Link prediction (supervised)
- Graph reconstruction (unsupervised link prediction ? / ad hoc)
- Community detection (unsupervised)
- Node classification (supervised community detection ?)
- Role definition (Variant of node classification, can be unsupervised)
- Visualisation (distances, like unsupervised)

OVERVIEW OF MOST POPULAR METHODS

MATRIX FACTORIZATION

LE: LAPLACIAN EIGENMAPS

- Introduced 2001
- Objective function:

$$y^* = \min \sum_{i \neq j} ||y_i - y_j||^2 S_{ij}$$

- y*: optimal embedding
- y_i : embedding of node i
- S_{ij} : similarity between nodes *i* and *j* (A, heuristic, ...)
- Minimize the product between distance in the embedding and similarity in the graph
 - If nodes are similar, they must be close in the embedding

LE: LAPLACIAN EIGENMAPS

$$y^* = \min \sum_{i \neq j} ||y_i - y_j||^2 S_{ij}$$

- Can be written (with S=A) in matrix form as:
 min y^TLy
 - L: Laplacian
- To avoid trivial solution, we impose the constraint:
 - $y^T D y = I$
 - D: Degree matrix
- Solution: d eigenvectors of lowest eigenvalues of $D^{-1/2}LD^{-1/2}$

HOPE: HIGHER-ORDER PROXIMITY PRESERVED EMBEDDING

• Preserve a proximity matrix

$$y^* = \min \sum_{i,j} |S_{ij} - y_i y_j^T|$$

- *S* can be the adjacency matrix, or number of common neighbors, Adamic Adar, etc.
- As similarity tends towards 0, embedding vectors must tend towards orthogonality (orthogonal vectors: $y_i y_j^T = 0$)

RANDOM WALKS BASED

DEEPWALK

- The first Random Walk+Neural Networks graph embedding method.
 - First of a long series
- Adaptation of word2vec/skipgram to graphs

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Word embedding Corpus => Word = vectors Similar embedding= similar **context**



[http://mccormickml.com/2016/04/19/word2vec-tutorial-the-skip-gram-model/]





Output weights for "car"



Probability that if you randomly pick a word nearby "ants", that it is "car"

https://towardsdatascience.com/word2vec-skip-lgram-model-part-1-intuition-78614e4d6e0b



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[https://blog.acolyer.org/2016/04/21/the-amazing-power-of-word-vectors/]

Table 8: Examples of the word pair relationships, using the best word vectors from Table 4 (Skipgram model trained on 783M words with 300 dimensionality).

| Relationship | Example 1 | Example 2 | Example 3 |
|----------------------|---------------------|-------------------|----------------------|
| France - Paris | Italy: Rome | Japan: Tokyo | Florida: Tallahassee |
| big - bigger | small: larger | cold: colder | quick: quicker |
| Miami - Florida | Baltimore: Maryland | Dallas: Texas | Kona: Hawaii |
| Einstein - scientist | Messi: midfielder | Mozart: violinist | Picasso: painter |
| Sarkozy - France | Berlusconi: Italy | Merkel: Germany | Koizumi: Japan |
| copper - Cu | zinc: Zn | gold: Au | uranium: plutonium |
| Berlusconi - Silvio | Sarkozy: Nicolas | Putin: Medvedev | Obama: Barack |
| Microsoft - Windows | Google: Android | IBM: Linux | Apple: iPhone |
| Microsoft - Ballmer | Google: Yahoo | IBM: McNealy | Apple: Jobs |
| Japan - sushi | Germany: bratwurst | France: tapas | USA: pizza |

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GENERIC "SKIPGRAM"

• Algorithm that takes an input:

- The element to embed
- A list of "context" elements
- Provide as output:
 - An embedding with interesting properties
 - Works well for machine learning
 - Similar elements are close in the embedding
 - Somewhat preserves the overall structure

DEEPWALK

- Skipgram for graphs:
 - I)Generate "sentences" using random walks
 - 2)Apply Skipgram
- Parameters:
 - Embedding dimensions d
 - Context size
 - More technical parameters: length of random walks, number of walks starting from each node, etc.

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NODE2VEC

- Use biased random walk to tune the context to capture *what we want*
 - "Breadth first" like RW => local neighborhood (edge probability ?)
 - "Depth-first" like RW => global structure ? (Communities ?)
 - 2 parameters to tune:
 - **p**: bias towards revisiting the previous node
 - q: bias towards exploring undiscovered parts of the network



Figure 2: Illustration of the random walk procedure in *node2vec*. The walk just transitioned from t to v and is now evaluating its next step out of node v. Edge labels indicate search biases α .

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RANDOM WALK METHODS

- What is the objective function ?
- How to interpret the distance between nodes in the embedding ?

RANDOM WALK METHODS

Approximately

$$y = \min \sum_{(i,j)} p(n_j | n_i) - \sigma(y_i y_j^T)$$

with $p(w_j|w_i)$ the probability to encounter node n_j in a random walk of a chosen length starting from node n_i . Its objective is therefore to make the distance in the embedding proportional to a random walk based distance in the graph.

with σ the softmax function defined as $\frac{e^x}{\sum e^x}$, a function commonly used in neural networks to add non-linearity and to ensure that the solution is a probability.

RANDOM WALK METHODS

- Scalability:
 - Skipgram uses techniques from machine learning developed for very large datasets: highly scalable (not necessarily fast or cost efficient)
- Matrix factorization methods require the similarity matrix \boldsymbol{S} as input
 - Computing all random walk distance: $\mathcal{O}(n^2)$
 - k random walks of length ℓ from each node: $\mathcal{O}(n)$

SOME REMARKS ON WHAT ARE EMBEDDINGS

ADJACENCY MATRIX

- An adjacency matrix is an embedding... in high dimension
- That represents the structural equivalence
 - 2 nodes have similar "embeddings" if they have similar neighborhoods
 - Distance=># of different neighbors (Manhattan Distance)
- Standard dimensionality reduction (T-SNE, PCA) of this matrix?
 - Small dimensions
 - But still unintuitive notion of distance

GRAPH LAYOUT

- Graph layouts are also embeddings.
 - Force layout, kamada-kawai
- They try to put connected nodes close to each other and non-connected ones "not close"
- Problem: they try to avoid overlaps
- Usually not scalable

NODE EMBEDDING: VISUALIZATION

FROM DTO 2

- Graph embedding can be used to visualize graphs
- Requires to reduce the embedding from d to 2
 - TSNE
 - PCA
 - <u>۰</u>
- Interpretable positions of nodes
- But not necessarily optimized for human reading

CLIQUE RING

5 cliques or size 20 with I edge between them









NODE EMBEDDING: COMMUNITY DETECTION

CLUSTERING EMBEDDINGS

- Many algorithm exists for clustering non-network data
 K-means, DBscan, etc.
- Clustering: group nodes that are close in the feature space.



EMBEDDING ROLES

STRUC2VEC/ROLE2VEC

- In node2vec/Deepwalk, the context collected by RW contain the labels of encountered nodes
- Instead, we could memorize the properties of the nodes: attributes if available, or computed attributes (degrees, CC, ...)
- =>Nodes with a same context will be nodes in a same "position" in the graph
- =>Capture the role of nodes instead of proximity

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STRUCT2VEC : DOUBLE ZKC



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NODE CLASSIFICATION WITH EMBEDDINGS
NODE CLASSIFICATION

- To each node is associated a vector in the embedding
 - This vector corresponds to topological features of the node, used instead of, for instance, centralities
 - Both types of features can be combined
- As usual, a classifier can be trained using those features

NODE CLASSIFICATION

| Algorithm | Dataset | | | |
|-------------------------|-------------|--------|-----------|--|
| | BlogCatalog | PPI | Wikipedia | |
| Spectral Clustering | 0.0405 | 0.0681 | 0.0395 | |
| DeepWalk | 0.2110 | 0.1768 | 0.1274 | |
| LINE | 0.0784 | 0.1447 | 0.1164 | |
| node2vec | 0.2581 | 0.1791 | 0.1552 | |
| node2vec settings (p,q) | 0.25, 0.25 | 4, 1 | 4, 0.5 | |
| Gain of node2vec [%] | 22.3 | 1.3 | 21.8 | |

Controversies...

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LINK PREDICTION WITH EMBEDDINGS

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UNSUPERVISED LINK PREDICTION

- Unsupervised link prediction from embeddings
- =>Compute the distance between nodes in the embedding
- =>Use it as a similarity score

SUPERVISED LINK PREDICTION

- Supervised link prediction from embeddings
- =>embeddings provide features for nodes (nb features: dimensions)
 - Combine nodes features to obtain edge features
- =>Train a classifier to predict edges based on features from the embedding

SUPERVISED LINK PREDICTION

| Operator | Result |
|-------------|---|
| Average | (a + b)/2 |
| Concat | $[\mathbf{a}_1,\ldots,\mathbf{a}_d,\mathbf{b}_1,\ldots,\mathbf{b}_d]$ |
| Hadamard | $[\mathbf{a}_1 * \mathbf{b}_1, \ldots, \mathbf{a}_d * \mathbf{b}_d]$ |
| Weighted L1 | $[\mathbf{a}_1 - \mathbf{b}_1 , \dots, \mathbf{a}_d - \mathbf{b}_d]$ |
| Weighted L2 | $[(\mathbf{a}_1 - \mathbf{b}_1)^2, \dots, (\mathbf{a}_d - \mathbf{b}_d)^2]$ |

Combining nodes vectors into edge vectors

SUPERVISED LINK PREDICTION

- How well does it works ?
- According to recent articles
 - Node2vec (2016)
 - VERSE (2018)
- =>These methods are better than the state of the art

| Algorithm | Dataset | | |
|-----------------------|---|---|--|
| | Facebook | PPI | arXiv |
| Common Neighbors | 0.8100 | 0.7142 | 0.8153 |
| Jaccard's Coefficient | 0.8880 | 0.7018 | 0.8067 |
| Adamic-Adar | 0.8289 | 0.7126 | 0.8315 |
| Pref. Attachment | 0.7137 | 0.6670 | 0.6996 |
| Spectral Clustering | 0.5960 | 0.6588 | 0.5812 |
| DeepWalk | 0.7238 | 0.6923 | 0.7066 |
| LINE | 0.7029 | 0.6330 | 0.6516 |
| node2vec | 0.7266 | 0.7543 | 0.7221 |
| Spectral Clustering | 0.6192 | 0.4920 | 0.5740 |
| DeepWalk | 0.9680 | 0.7441 | 0.9340 |
| LINE | 0.9490 | 0.7249 | 0.8902 |
| node2vec | 0.9680 | 0.7719 | 0.9366 |
| Spectral Clustering | 0.7200 | 0.6356 | 0.7099 |
| DeepWalk | 0.9574 | 0.6026 | 0.8282 |
| LINE | 0.9483 | 0.7024 | 0.8809 |
| node2vec | 0.9602 | 0.6292 | 0.8468 |
| Spectral Clustering | 0.7107 | 0.6026 | 0.6765 |
| DeepWalk | 0.9584 | 0.6118 | 0.8305 |
| LINE | 0.9460 | 0.7106 | 0.8862 |
| node2vec | 0.9606 | 0.6236 | 0.8477 |
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(a) Average, (b) Hadamard, (c) Weighted-L1, and (d) Weighted-L2

LINK PREDICTION

• Personal opinion: not that simple

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MODEL STACKING

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MODEL STACKING

Table S12. Average AUC, precision, and recall performances of the link prediction algorithms over 124 social networks as a subset of CommunityFitNet corpus. A random forest is used for supervised stacking of methods. Here, the predictors are adjusted for maximum F measure using a model selection through a cross validation on training set. The results are reported on 20% holdout test set.

| Algorithm | AUC | Precision | Recall |
|----------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------|
| Q | 0.89 ± 0.07 | 0.42 ± 0.13 | 0.85 ± 0.08 |
| Q-MR | 0.87 ± 0.07 | 0.38 ± 0.16 | 0.78 ± 0.07 |
| Q-MP | 0.86 ± 0.08 | 0.25 ± 0.07 | 0.83 ± 0.09 |
| B-NR (SBM) | 0.93 ± 0.06 | 0.3 ± 0.08 | 0.85 ± 0.12 |
| B-NR (DC-SBM) | 0.93 ± 0.07 | 0.28 ± 0.08 | 0.88 ± 0.08 |
| cICL-HKK | 0.93 ± 0.08 | 0.34 ± 0.1 | 0.85 ± 0.14 |
| B-HKK | 0.88 ± 0.07 | 0.17 ± 0.05 | 0.79 ± 0.17 |
| Infomap | 0.91 ± 0.04 | 0.29 ± 0.08 | 0.83 ± 0.05 |
| MDL (SBM) | $0.\overline{94\pm0.07}$ | $0.\overline{31\pm0.09}$ | 0.87 ± 0.16 |
| MDL (DC-SBM) | $0.\overline{93}\pm0.09$ | 0.26 ± 0.09 | 0.89 ± 0.11 |
| S-NB | 0.94 ± 0.07 | 0.3 ± 0.1 | 0.87 ± 0.08 |
| mean model-based | 0.91 ± 0.08 | 0.3 ± 0.12 | 0.84 ± 0.12 |
| mean indiv. topol. | 0.64 ± 0.19 | 0.2 ± 0.27 | 0.56 ± 0.33 |
| mean indiv. topol. & model | 0.7 ± 0.21 | 0.22 ± 0.25 | 0.62 ± 0.32 |
| emd-DW | 0.95 ± 0.1 | 0.45 ± 0.16 | 0.92 ± 0.13 |
| emb-vgae | 0.95 ± 0.08 | 0.09 ± 0.02 | 0.96 ± 0.09 |
| all topol. | 0.97 ± 0.08 | 0.89 ± 0.21 | 0.88 ± 0.2 |
| all model-based | 0.95 ± 0.07 | 0.76 ± 0.2 | 0.68 ± 0.17 |
| all embed. | $0.\overline{95\pm0.11}$ | 0.75 ± 0.23 | 0.74 ± 0.23 |
| all topol. & model | 0.98 ± 0.06 | 0.89 ± 0.22 | 0.88 ± 0.19 |
| all topol. & embed. | 0.96 ± 0.1 | $0.\overline{86\pm0.22}$ | 0.83 ± 0.25 |
| all model & embed. | 0.96 ± 0.09 | 0.78 ± 0.21 | 0.74 ± 0.22 |
| all topol., model & embed. | 0.97 ± 0.09 | 0.86 ± 0.23 | 0.84 ± 0.23 |

Table 1. Link prediction performance (mean±std. err.), measured by AUC, precision, and recall, for link prediction algorithms applied to the 548 structurally diverse networks in our corpus.

| algorithm | AUC | precision | recall |
|----------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------|--------------------------|
| Q | 0.7 ± 0.14 | 0.14 ± 0.17 | 0.67 ± 0.15 |
| Q-MR | 0.67 ± 0.15 | 0.12 ± 0.17 | 0.63 ± 0.13 |
| Q-MP | 0.64 ± 0.15 | 0.09 ± 0.11 | 0.59 ± 0.17 |
| B-NR (SBM) | 0.81 ± 0.13 | 0.13 ± 0.12 | 0.65 ± 0.22 |
| B-NR (DC-SBM) | 0.7 ± 0.2 | 0.12 ± 0.12 | 0.61 ± 0.24 |
| cICL-HKK | 0.79 ± 0.13 | 0.14 ± 0.14 | 0.58 ± 0.25 |
| B-HKK | 0.77 ± 0.13 | 0.11 ± 0.1 | 0.51 ± 0.26 |
| Infomap | 0.73 ± 0.14 | 0.12 ± 0.12 | 0.68 ± 0.13 |
| MDL (SBM) | 0.79 ± 0.15 | 0.14 ± 0.13 | 0.57 ± 0.3 |
| MDL (DC-SBM) | 0.84 ± 0.1 | 0.13 ± 0.11 | 0.78 ± 0.12 |
| S-NB | 0.71 ± 0.19 | 0.12 ± 0.13 | 0.66 ± 0.17 |
| mean model-based | 0.74 ± 0.16 | 0.12 ± 0.13 | 0.63 ± 0.21 |
| mean indiv. topol. | 0.6 ± 0.13 | 0.09 ± 0.16 | 0.53 ± 0.35 |
| mean indiv. topol. & model | 0.63 ± 0.15 | 0.09 ± 0.16 | 0.55 ± 0.33 |
| emb-DW | 0.63 ± 0.23 | 0.17 ± 0.19 | 0.42 ± 0.35 |
| emb-vgae | 0.69 ± 0.19 | 0.05 ± 0.05 | 0.69 ± 0.21 |
| all topol. | 0.86 ± 0.11 | 0.42 ± 0.33 | 0.44 ± 0.32 |
| all model-based | 0.83 ± 0.12 | -0.39 ± 0.34 | 0.3 ± 0.29 |
| all embed. | 0.77 ± 0.16 | 0.32 ± 0.32 | 0.32 ± 0.31 |
| all topol. & model | 0.87 ± 0.1 | 0.48 ± 0.36 | 0.35 ± 0.35 |
| all topol. & embed. | $0.\overline{84\pm0.13}$ | 0.4 ± 0.34 | $0.\overline{39\pm0.33}$ |
| all model & embed. | 0.84 ± 0.13 | 0.36 ± 0.32 | 0.36 ± 0.31 |
| all topol., model & embed. | 0.85 ± 0.14 | 0.42 ± 0.34 | 0.39 ± 0.33 |

GRAPH CONVOLUTIONAL NETWORKS

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(DEEP) NEURAL NETWORKS

A deep neural networks can be seen as the chaining of multiple simple machine learning models (e.g., logistic classifier). The output of a model is the input of the other, all weights optimized simultaneously (backpropagation)



https://medium.com/tebs-lab/introduction-to-deep-learning-a46e92cb0022 https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Backpropagation

CONVOLUTIONAL NEURAL NETWORK

- All outputs of a layer connected to all inputs of the next is called fully connected layer
 - Learned weights will "cut" some edges (zero weights)
- In input data is structured, one can already use this structure
- Convolutions were introduced to work with pictures
 - Adjacency in pixels is meaningful

CONVOLUTION



- Extract 'features' of 'higher level'
 - Pixels => lines, curves, dots => circles, long lines, curvy shapes => eye, hand, leaves => Animal, Car, sky ...

CONVOLUTION

- A convolution is defined by the weights of its kernel
- Which kernel(s) should we use?
- Weights of the kernel can be learnt, too

| Identity | $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ | |
|--|--|--|
| Edge detection | $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ | |
| | $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & -4 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ | |
| | $\begin{bmatrix} -1 & -1 & -1 \\ -1 & 8 & -1 \\ -1 & -1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$ | |
| Sharpen | $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 & 0 \\ -1 & 5 & -1 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ | |
| Box blur (normalized) | $\frac{1}{9} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ | |
| Gaussian blur 3 × 3 (approximation) | $\frac{1}{16} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 2 & 4 & 2 \\ 1 & 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ | |

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Kernel_(image_processing)

CONVOLUTIONAL NEURAL NETWORK



CONVOLUTIONAL NEURAL NETWORK

- Convolution on a picture can be seen as a special case of a graph operation:
 - Combine weights of neighbors
 - With an image represented as a regular grid
- Define convolutions on networks



https://www.inference.vc/how-powerful-are-graph-convolutions-review-of-kipf-welling-2016-2/

GRAPH CONVOLUTION





(a) 2D Convolution. Analogous to a graph, each pixel in an image is taken as a node where neighbors are determined by the filter size. The 2D convolution takes a weighted average of pixel values of the red node along with its neighbors. The neighbors of a node are ordered and have a fixed size. (b) Graph Convolution. To get a hidden representation of the red node, one simple solution of graph convolution operation takes the average value of node features of the red node along with its neighbors. Different from image data, the neighbors of a node are unordered and variable in size.

Fig. 1: 2D Convolution vs. Graph Convolution.

Stacking convolution layers



Gconv

Pooling

MLP

Softmax

Readout

Σ

Gconv

Graph

Wu, Z., Pan, S., Chen, F., Long, G., Zhang, C., & Yu, P. S. (2019)

GRAPH CONVOLUTION $H^{(l+1)} = f(H^{(l)}, A)$

$$f(H^{(l)}, A) = \sigma\left(\hat{D}^{-\frac{1}{2}}\hat{A}\hat{D}^{-\frac{1}{2}}H^{(l)}W^{(l)}\right)$$

H: node features *A*: adjacency matrix $(\hat{A} = A + I)$ *l*: layer index *D*: Degree matrix (degrees on the diagonal) *W*: learnable weights σ : activation fonction (often ReLU)

GRAPH CONVOLUTION

Going through an example of the typical GCN



Zackary Karate club (with communities for reference)



GRAPH CONVOLUTION





 $D^{-1}\hat{A}$ Simple average

 $D^{-\frac{1}{2}}\hat{A}D^{-\frac{1}{2}}$ Weighted average

Normalisation of the adjacency matrix

GRAPH CONVOLUTION $f(H^{(l)}, A) = \sigma \left(\hat{D}^{-\frac{1}{2}} \hat{A} \hat{D}^{-\frac{1}{2}} H^{(l)} W^{(l)} \right)$

$D^{-\frac{1}{2}}\hat{A}D^{-\frac{1}{2}}H$

Features of the nodes become the (weighted) average of the features of the neighbors

W has shape $(X \times Y)$, with X the number of features in input and Y the **desired** number of features in output

GRAPH CONVOLUTION $f(H^{(l)}, A) = \sigma \left(\hat{D}^{-\frac{1}{2}} \hat{A} \hat{D}^{-\frac{1}{2}} H^{(l)} W^{(l)} \right)$

Size of the weight matrices by layer

$$W_0: d_0 \times d_1$$
$$W_1: d_1 \times d_2$$
$$W_n: d_n \times d_{n+1}$$

 d_0 is the number of features per node in the original network data, d_{n+1} is the number of desired features (usually followed by a normal classifier, e.g., logistic)

GRAPH CONVOLUTION $f(H^{(l)}, A) = \sigma \left(\hat{D}^{-\frac{1}{2}} \hat{A} \hat{D}^{-\frac{1}{2}} H^{(l)} W^{(l)} \right)$

 σ is called an activation function. It is used to introduce non-linearity.
As of 2019, the most common choice is to use the **ReLU**, (Rectified Linear Unit)
=>Simple to differentiate and to compute



https://medium.com/@danqing/a-phactical-guide-to-relu-b83ca804f1f7

FORWARD STEP

- We can first look at what happens without weight learning, i.e., doing only the forward step.
- We set the original features to the identity matrix, $H_0 = I$. Each node's features is a *one hot vector* of itself (1 at its position, 0 otherwise)
- Weights are random (normal distribution centered on 0)
- Two layers, with W sizes $n \times 5, 5 \times 2$

FORWARD STEP $f(H^{(l)}, A) = \sigma \left(\hat{D}^{-\frac{1}{2}} \hat{A} \hat{D}^{-\frac{1}{2}} H^{(l)} W^{(l)} \right)$



LI = n to 5 features

 0
 5
 10
 15
 20
 25
 30

 0
 -<



LI = 5 to 2 features

FORWARD STEP

Dimension 2



Dimension I

Even with random weights, some structure is preserved in the "embedding"

FORWARD STEP

K-means on the 2D "embedding" (paramater k=3 clusters)



(Node positions based on spring layout)

BACKWARD STEP

 To learn the weights, we use a mechanism called backpropagation

Short summary

- A **loss** function is defined to compare the "predicted values" with ground truth labels (at this point, we need some labels...)
 - Typically, log-likelihood
- The **derivative** of the cost function relative to weights is computed
- Weights are updated using grading descent (i.e., weights are modified in the direction that will minimize the loss)

FITTING THE GCN

- We define the same GCN as before
- We define a "semi-supervised" process:
 - Labels are known only for a few nodes (the 2 instructors)
 - The loss is computed only for them
- We run e steps ("epoch") of back-propagation, until convergence

FITTING THE GCN





Step I: Each node takes the average features of its neighbors. W_1 can be seen as "computed" features (this is because we used I as original features) Step2: After averaging over results of step1 (*AH*), each node combines its aggregated features according to this matrix 68 Result: This is the computed feature vector. As expected, values for nodes 0 and 33 are opposed

FITTING THE GCN

| Epoch | 0 | Loss: 0.6987 |
|-------|-----|--------------|
| Epoch | 1 j | Loss: 0.6804 |
| Epoch | 2 | Loss: 0.6634 |
| Epoch | 3 İ | Loss: 0.6476 |
| Epoch | 4 İ | Loss: 0.6326 |
| Epoch | 5 İ | Loss: 0.6174 |
| Epoch | 6 | Loss: 0.6017 |
| Epoch | 7 İ | Loss: 0.5852 |
| Epoch | 8 İ | Loss: 0.5684 |
| Epoch | 9 İ | Loss: 0.5513 |
| Epoch | 10 | Loss: 0.5338 |
| Epoch | 11 | Loss: 0.5158 |
| Epoch | 12 | Loss: 0.4976 |
| Epoch | 13 | Loss: 0.4792 |
| Epoch | 14 | Loss: 0.4605 |
| Epoch | 15 | Loss: 0.4416 |
| Epoch | 16 | Loss: 0.4225 |
| Epoch | 17 | Loss: 0.4033 |
| Epoch | 18 | Loss: 0.3842 |
| Epoch | 19 | Loss: 0.3652 |
| Epoch | 20 | Loss: 0.3464 |
| Epoch | 21 | Loss: 0.3279 |
| Epoch | 22 | Loss: 0.3096 |
| Epoch | 23 | Loss: 0.2916 |
| Epoch | 24 | Loss: 0.2741 |
| Epoch | 25 | Loss: 0.2571 |
| Epoch | 26 | Loss: 0.2407 |
| Epoch | 27 | Loss: 0.2248 |
| Epoch | 28 | Loss: 0.2095 |
| Epoch | 29 | Loss: 0.1946 |
| Epoch | 30 | Loss: 0.1803 |
| Epoch | 31 | Loss: 0.1668 |
| Epoch | 32 | Loss: 0.1541 |
| Epoch | 33 | Loss: 0.1422 |
| Epoch | 34 | Loss: 0.1312 |
| Epoch | 35 | Loss: 0.1209 |
| Epoch | 36 | Loss: 0.1113 |
| Epoch | 37 | Loss: 0.1024 |
| Epoch | 38 | Loss: 0.0940 |
| Epoch | 39 | Loss: 0.0863 |
| Epoch | 40 | Loss: 0.0793 |
| Epoch | 41 | Loss: 0.0727 |
| Epoch | 42 | Loss: 0.0667 |
| Epoch | 43 | Loss: 0.0611 |
| Epoch | 44 | Loss: 0.0560 |
| Epoch | 45 | Loss: 0.0513 |
| Epoch | 46 | Loss: 0.0470 |
| Epoch | 47 | Loss: 0.0432 |
| Epoch | 48 | Loss: 0.0396 |
| Epoch | 49 | Loss: 0.0363 |
| Epoch | 50 | Loss: 0.0333 |



RESULTS

Features values





Highest feature as label



We retrieve the expected "communities"

GCN LITERATURE

- Results are claimed to be above the state of the art
 - Controversies, which is normal for such recent methods

| Method | Citeseer | Cora | Pubmed | NELL |
|--------------------|------------------|------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| ManiReg [3] | 60.1 | 59.5 | 70.7 | 21.8 |
| SemiEmb [28] | 59.6 | 59.0 | 71.1 | 26.7 |
| LP [32] | 45.3 | 68.0 | 63.0 | 26.5 |
| DeepWalk [22] | 43.2 | 67.2 | 65.3 | 58.1 |
| ICA [18] | 69.1 | 75.1 | 73.9 | 23.1 |
| Planetoid* [29] | 64.7 (26s) | 75.7 (13s) | 77.2 (25s) | 61.9 (185s) |
| GCN (this paper) | 70.3 (7s) | 81.5 (4s) | 79.0 (38s) | 66.0 (48s) |
| GCN (rand. splits) | 67.9 ± 0.5 | 80.1 ± 0.5 | 78.9 ± 0.7 | 58.4 ± 1.7 |

TO CONCLUDE

Many variations proposed already

Very active since 2017

Spawned renewed interest in networks in the ML literature

Hard to predict the future of these techniques.

| Approach | Category | Inputs | Pooling | Readout | Time Complexity |
|---------------------------|------------------------|-----------|---------------------------------|------------------------|-----------------|
| GNN* (2009) [15] | RecGNN | A,X,X^e | | a dummy super node | - |
| GraphESN (2010) [16] | RecGNN | A, X | | mean | - |
| GGNN (2015) [17] | RecGNN | A, X | | attention sum | - |
| SSE (2018) [18] | RecGNN | A, X | - | - | - |
| Spectral CNN (2014) [19] | Spectral-based ConvGNN | A, X | spectral clustering+max pooling | max | $O(n^3)$ |
| Henaff et al. (2015) [20] | Spectral-based ConvGNN | A, X | spectral clustering+max pooling | | $O(n^3)$ |
| ChebNet (2016) [21] | Spectral-based ConvGNN | A, X | efficient pooling | sum | O(m) |
| GCN (2017) [22] | Spectral-based ConvGNN | A, A | | - | O(m) |
| CayleyNet (2017) [23] | Spectral-based ConvONN | A, A | mean/gracius pooling | - | O(m) |
| AGCN (2018) [40] | Spectral-based ConvGNN | A, X | max pooling | sum | $O(n^2)$ |
| DualGCN (2018) [41] | Spectral-based ConvGNN | A, X | - | - | O(m) |
| NN4G (2009) [24] | Spatial-based ConvGNN | A, X | - | sum/mean | O(m) |
| DCNN (2016) [25] | Spatial-based ConvGNN | A, X | - | mean | $O(n^2)$ |
| PATCHY-SAN (2016) [26] | Spatial-based ConvGNN | A,X,X^e | - | concat | - |
| MPNN (2017) [27] | Spatial-based ConvGNN | A,X,X^e | | attention sum/ set2set | O(m) |
| GraphSage (2017) [42] | Spatial-based ConvGNN | A, X | | - | - |
| GAT (2017) [43] | Spatial-based ConvGNN | A, X | - | - | O(m) |
| MoNet (2017) [44] | Spatial-based ConvGNN | A, X | | - | O(m) |
| PGC-DGCNN (2018) [46] | Spatial-based ConvGNN | A, X | sort pooling | attention sum | $O(n^3)$ |
| CGMM (2018) [47] | Spatial-based ConvGNN | A, X | - | concat | - |
| LGCN (2018) [45] | Spatial-based ConvGNN | A, X | - | - | - |
| GAAN (2018) [48] | Spatial-based ConvGNN | A, X | - | - | O(m) |
| FastGCN (2018) [49] | Spatial-based ConvGNN | A, X | - | - | - |
| StoGCN (2018) [50] | Spatial-based ConvGNN | A, X | - | - | - |
| Huang et al. (2018) [51] | Spatial-based ConvGNN | A, X | | - | - |
| DGCNN (2018) [52] | Spatial-based ConvGNN | A, X | sort pooling | - | O(m) |
| DiffPool (2018) [54] | Spatial-based ConvGNN | A, X | differential pooling | mean | $O(n^2)$ |
| GeniePath (2019) [55] | Spatial-based ConvGNN | A, X | - | - | O(m) |
| DGI (2019) [56] | Spatial-based ConvGNN | A, X | - | - | O(m) |
| GIN (2019) [57] | Spatial-based ConvGNN | A, X | - | concat+sum | O(m) |
| ClusterGCN (2019) [58] | Spatial-based ConvGNN | A, X | - | - | - |
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