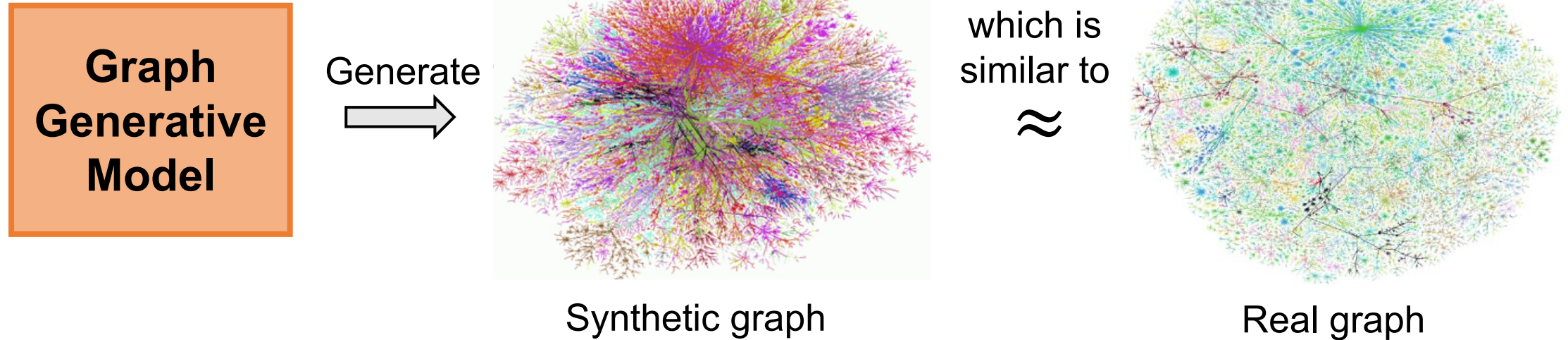


An Introduction to Deep Graph Generation

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The Problem: Graph Generation



Applications:

- Drug discovery, material design
- Social network modeling

Why do we study Graph Generation?

- **Insights** - Understand the formulation of graphs
- **Predictions** - Predict how will the graph further evolve
- **Simulations** - Use the same process to generate novel graph instances
- **Anomaly detection** - Decide if a graph is normal / abnormal

Graph Generation Tasks

Task 1: Realistic graph generation

- Generate graphs that are **similar to a given set of graphs**

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E.g., Drug molecule generation/optimization

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Related Problems

- Link prediction
- Graph structure learning
- Generative sampling
- Set generation

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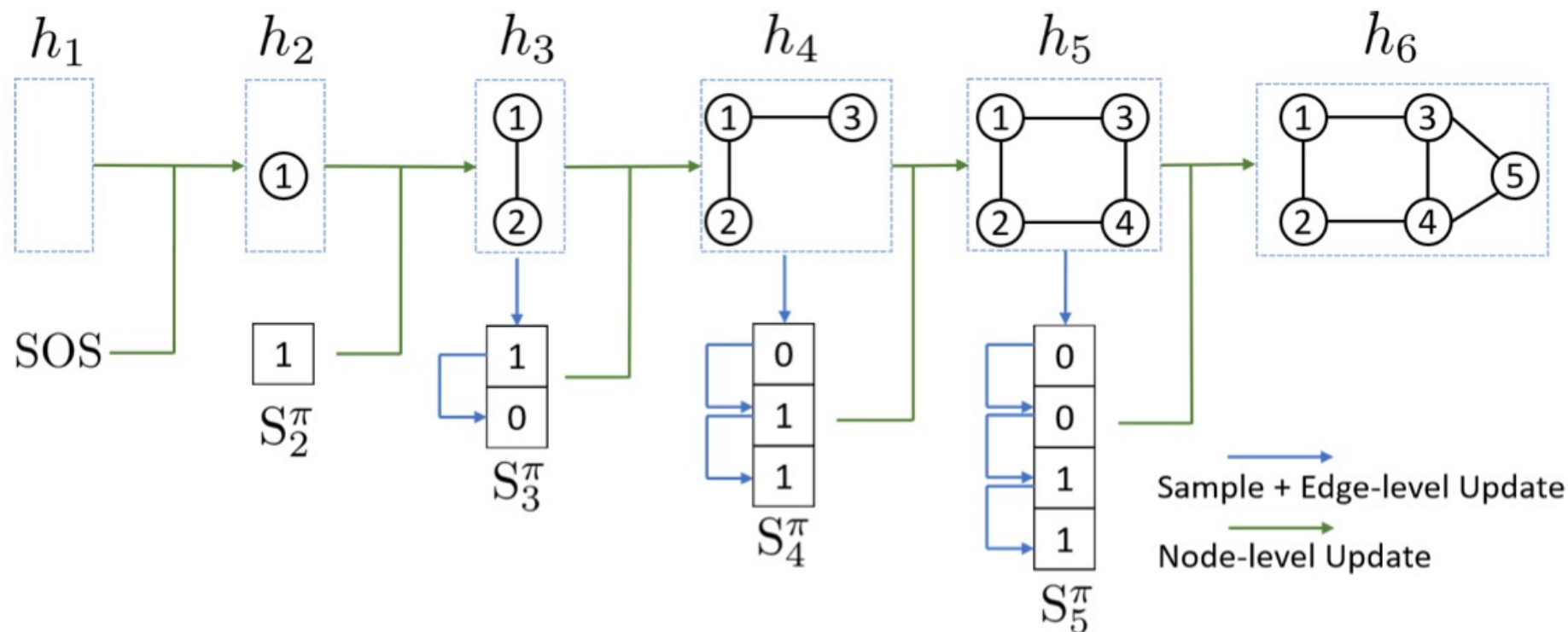
Deep Generative Models (DGMs)

- Autoregressive Models (ARs)
- Variational Autoencoders (VAEs)
- Generative Adversarial Networks (GANs)
- Normalizing Flows (NFs)
- Energy-Based Models (EBMs)
- Diffusion models
- **Combinatorial Optimization Methods (COMs)**
- Reinforcement Learning
- Bayesian Optimization (BO)
- Markov Chain Monte Carlo (MCMC)
- ...

Autoregressive Models (ARs) for Graph Generation

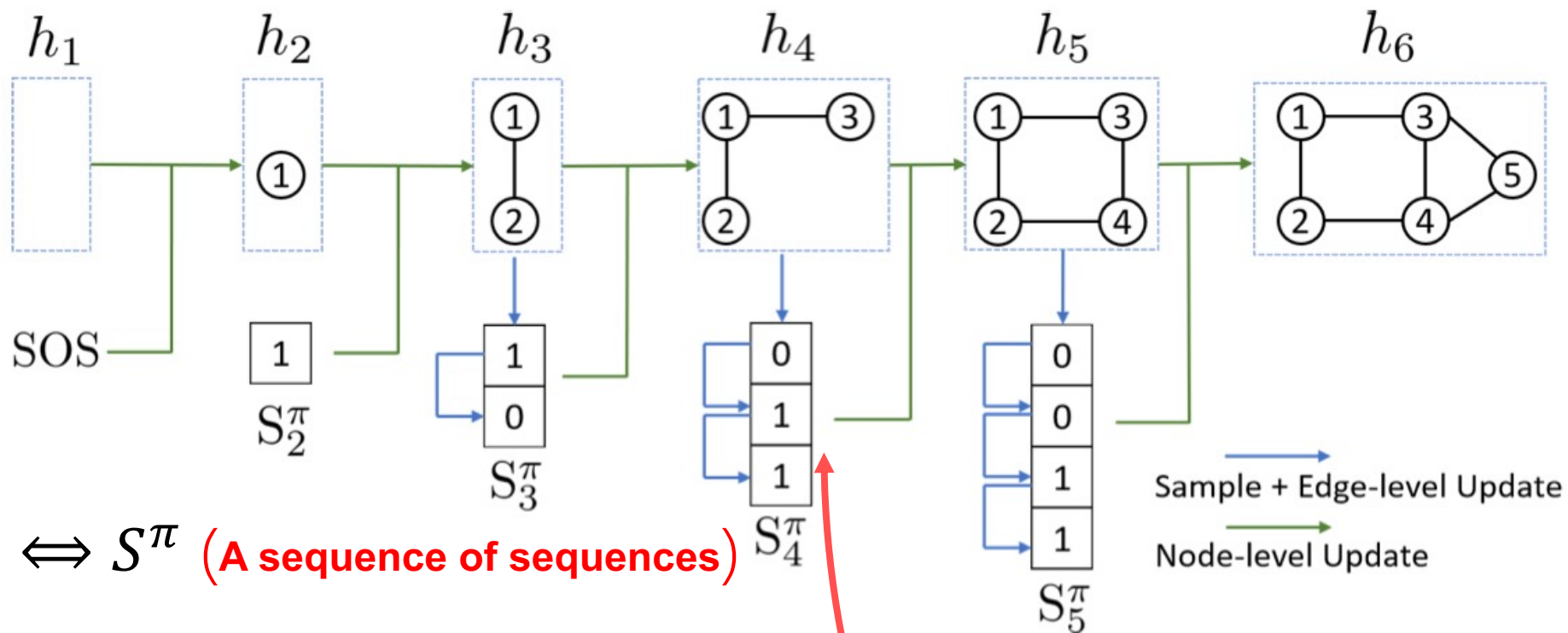
$$p_{model}(\mathbf{x}; \theta) = \prod_{t=1}^n p_{model}(x_t | x_1, \dots, x_{t-1}; \theta)$$

x_t will be the t -th action (add node, add edge)



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Autoregressive Models (ARs) for Graph Generation



$G + \pi \Leftrightarrow S^\pi$ (A sequence of sequences)

The sequence S^π has two levels

- **Node-level:** add nodes, one at a time $S^\pi = (S_1^\pi, S_2^\pi, S_3^\pi, S_4^\pi, S_5^\pi)$
- **Edge-level:** add edges between existing nodes $S_4^\pi = (S_{4,1}^\pi, S_{4,2}^\pi, S_{4,3}^\pi)$

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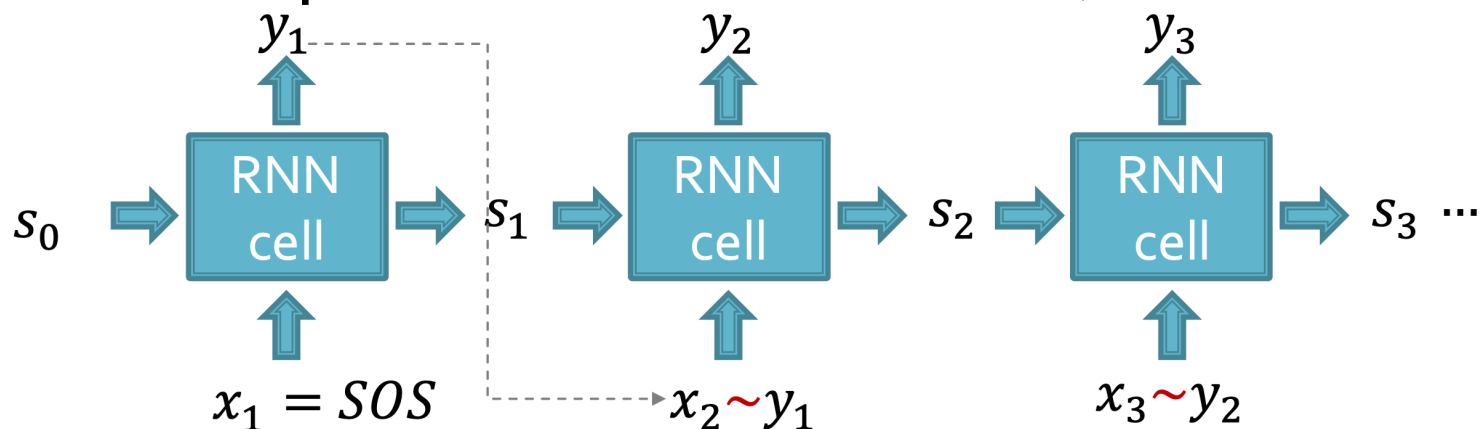
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Our goal: Model $p_{model}(\mathbf{x}; \theta) = \prod_{t=1}^n p_{model}(x_t | x_1, \dots, x_{t-1}; \theta)$

Let $y_t = p_{model}(x_t | x_1, \dots, x_{t-1}; \theta)$

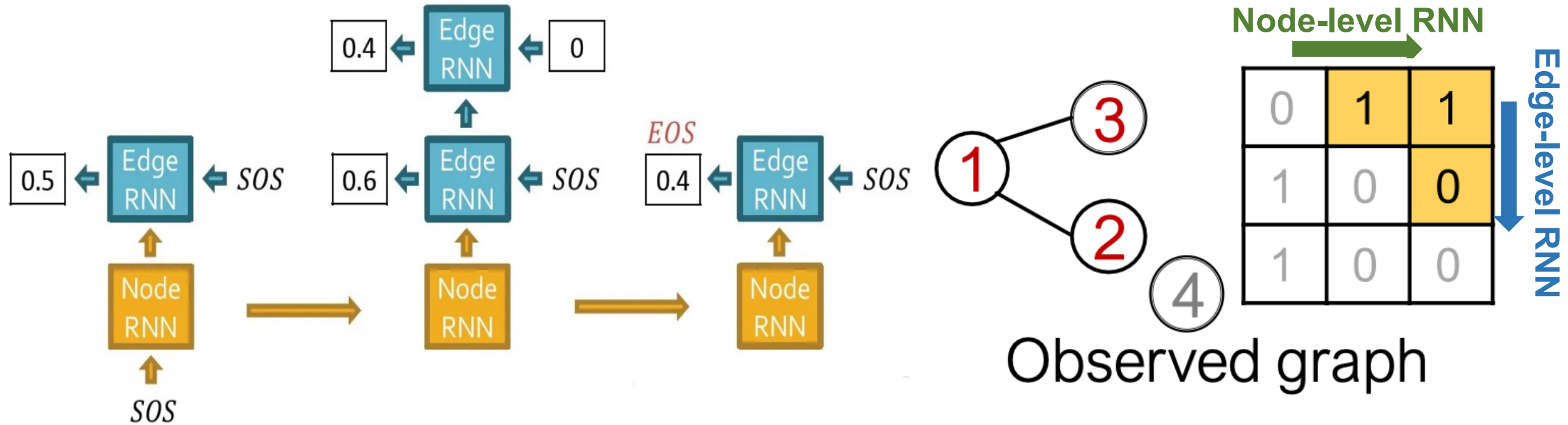
Then we need to sample x_{t+1} from y_t : $x_{t+1} \sim y_t$

- Each step of RNN outputs a **probability of a single edge**
- We then sample from the distribution, and feed sample to next step:



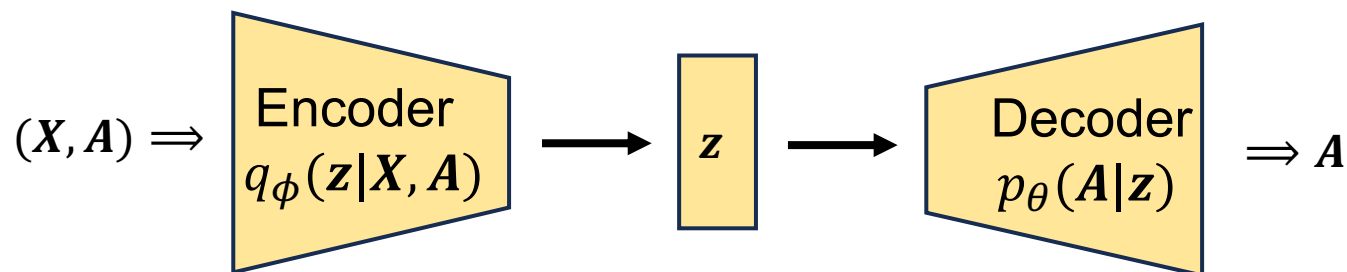
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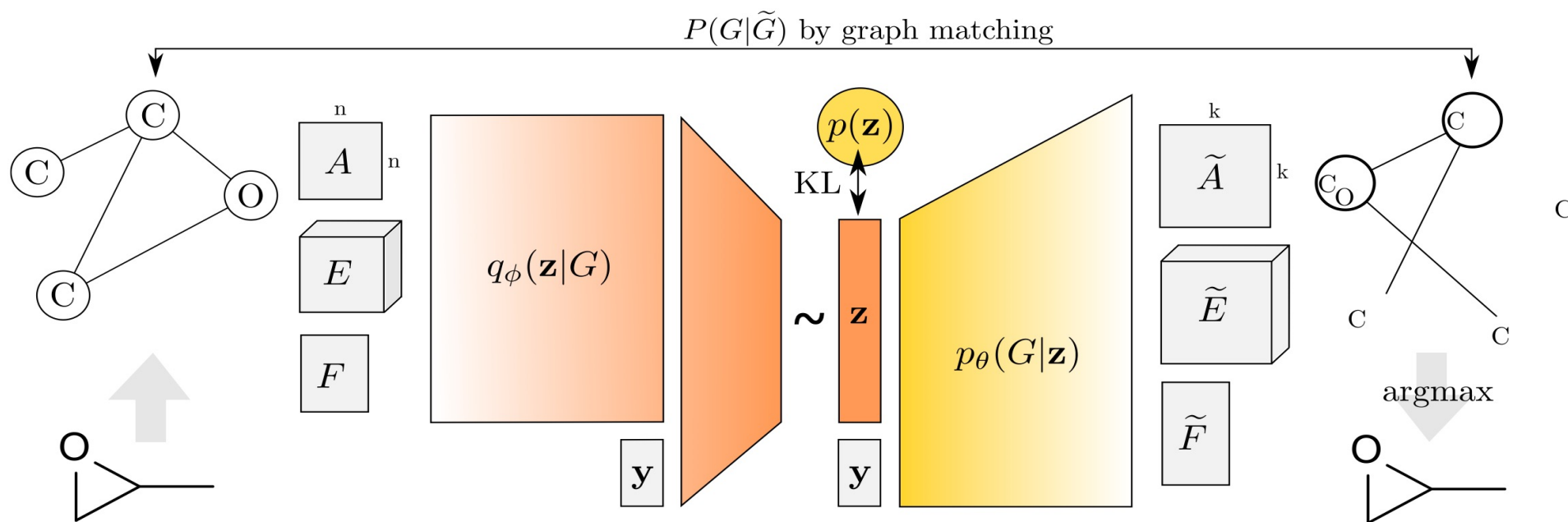


VGAE $\mathcal{L} = -\mathbb{E}_{q_{\phi}(\mathbf{z}|\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{A})} [\log p_{\theta}(\hat{\mathbf{A}}|\mathbf{Z})] - KL[q_{\phi}(\mathbf{Z}|\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{A}) || p_{\theta}(\mathbf{Z})]$

$$\hat{\mathbf{A}} = \sigma(\mathbf{Z}\mathbf{Z}^{\top}), \text{ with } \mathbf{Z} = \text{GCN}(\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{A})$$

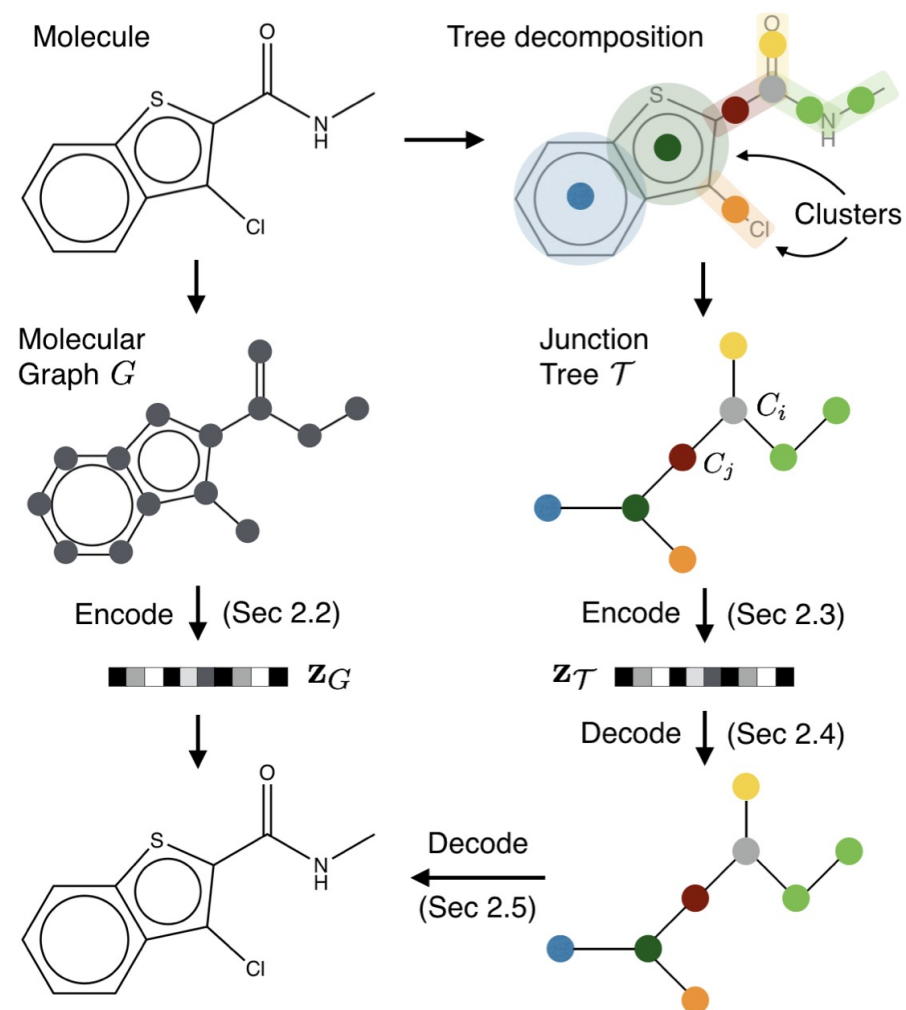
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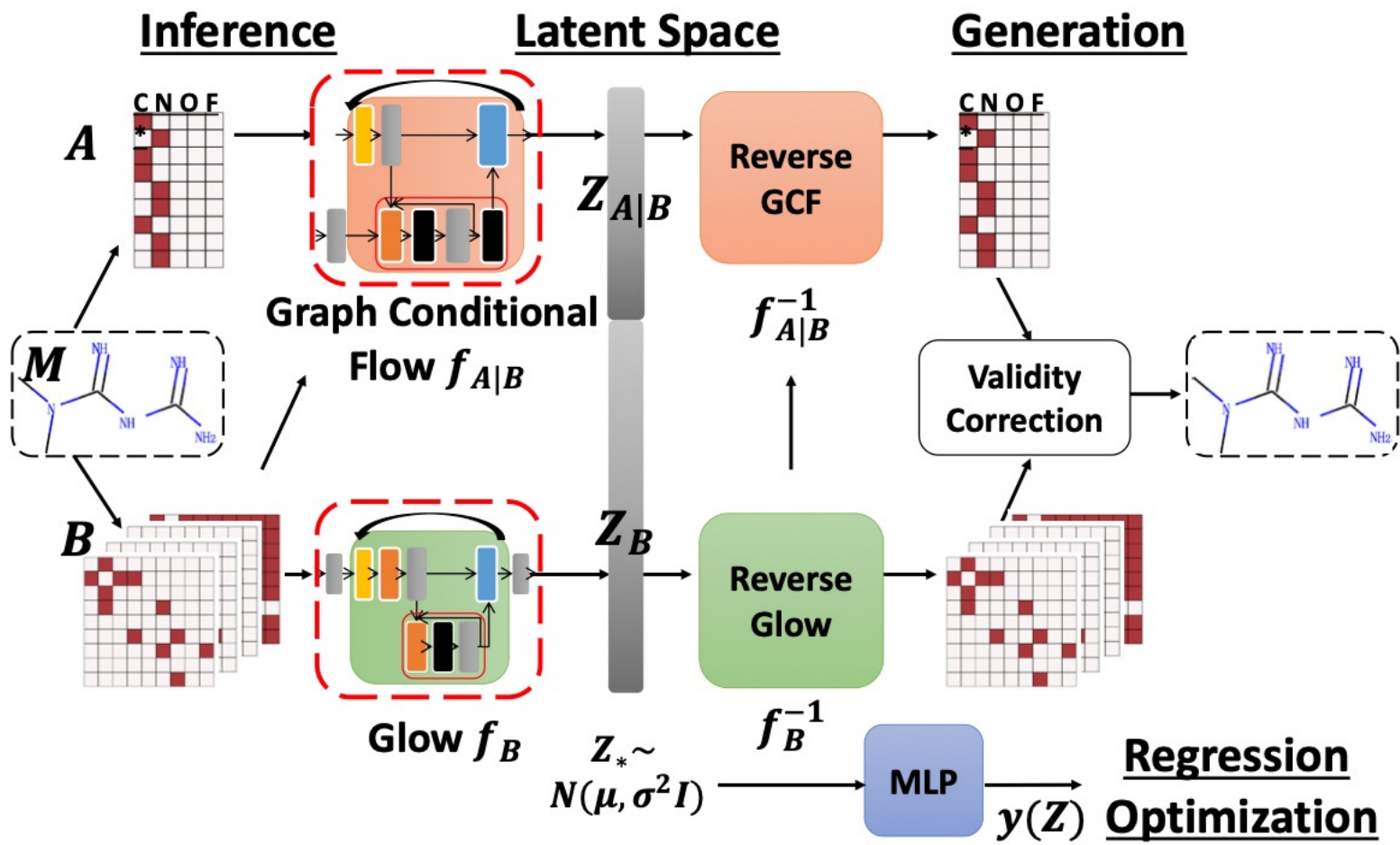


JTVAE

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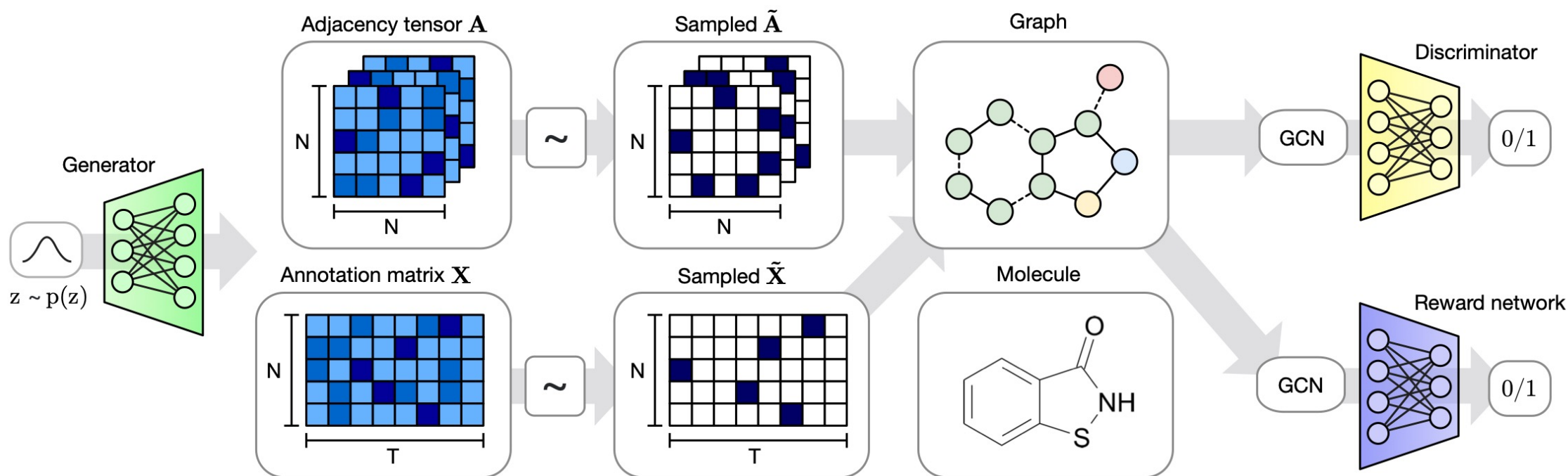
Normalizing Flows (NFs) for Graph Generation

MoFlow



MoFlow: An Invertible Flow Model for Generating Molecular Graphs. Chengxi Zang and Fei Wang, *KDD 2020*

Generative Adversarial Networks (GANs) for Graph Generation



MoIGAN
$$L(\theta) = \lambda \cdot L_{WGAN}(\theta) + (1 - \lambda) \cdot L_{RL}(\theta)$$

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Energy-Based Models (EBMs) for Graph Generation

GraphEBM

$$H^{\ell+1} = \sigma \left(\sum_{k=1}^{c+1} (A_{(:, :, k)} H^{\ell} W_k^{\ell}) \right)$$

$$h_G = \sum_{i=1}^n H_{(i, :)}^L \in \mathbb{R}^d$$

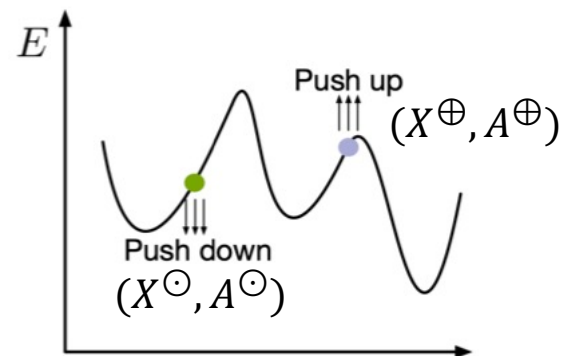
$$E_{\theta}(X, A) = h_G^T W \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$\text{EBMs: } p_{\theta}(x) = \frac{e^{-E_{\theta}(x)}}{Z(\theta)}$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{energy}} = E_{\theta}(X^{\oplus}, A^{\oplus}) - E_{\theta}(X^{\odot}, A^{\odot})$$

$$X^k = X^{k-1} - \frac{\lambda}{2} \nabla_X E_{\theta}(X^{k-1}, A^{k-1}) + w^k$$

$$A^k = A^{k-1} - \frac{\lambda}{2} \nabla_A E_{\theta}(X^{k-1}, A^{k-1}) + \eta^k$$



GRAPHEBM: MOLECULAR GRAPH GENERATION WITH ENERGY-BASED MODELS,
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Diffusion models for Graph Generation

EDP-GNN

$$\mathbf{s}_\theta(\cdot; \sigma) : \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{A}.$$

$$\begin{cases} \prod_{i < j} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma} \exp \left\{ -\frac{(\tilde{\mathbf{A}}_{[i,j]} - \mathbf{A}_{[i,j]})^2}{2\sigma^2} \right\}, & \text{if } \tilde{\mathbf{A}} = \tilde{\mathbf{A}}^\top \\ 0, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

$$\mathcal{L}(\theta; \{\sigma_i\}_{i=1}^L) \triangleq \frac{1}{2L} \sum_{i=1}^L \sigma_i^2 \mathbb{E} \left[\left\| \mathbf{s}_\theta(\tilde{\mathbf{A}}, \sigma) + \frac{\tilde{\mathbf{A}} - \mathbf{A}}{\sigma^2} \right\|_2^2 \right]$$

sampling

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Edgewise Dense Prediction Graph
Neural Network (EDP-GNN)

Node feature inference

$$\mathbf{Z}^{(k+1)} = \text{MultiChannelGNN}^{(k)}(\mathbf{A}^{(k)}, \mathbf{Z}^{(k)})$$

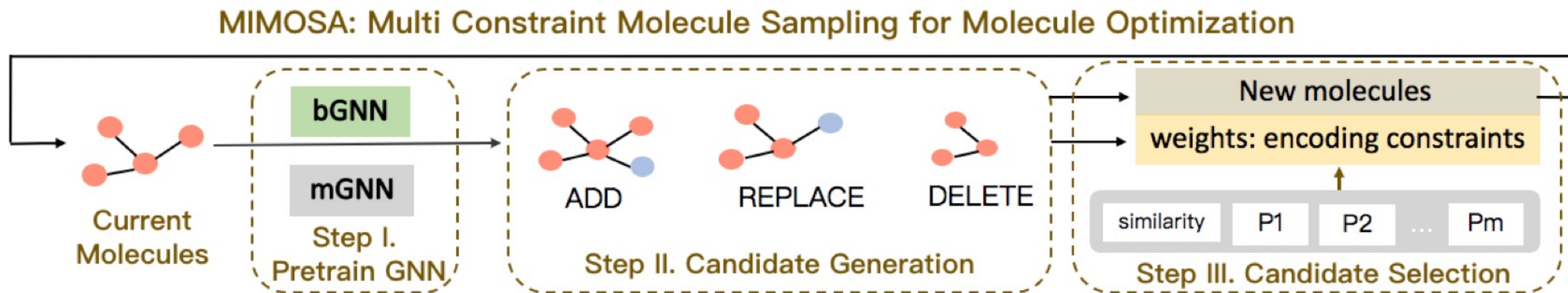
Edge feature inference

$$\tilde{\mathbf{A}}_{[:,i,j]}^{(k+1)} = \text{MLP}_{\text{Edge}}^{(k)} \left(\text{CONCAT}(\mathbf{A}_{[:,i,j]}^{(k)}, \mathbf{Z}_i^{(k+1)}, \mathbf{Z}_j^{(k+1)}) \right)$$

$$\mathbf{A}^{(k+1)} = \tilde{\mathbf{A}}^{(k+1)} + (\tilde{\mathbf{A}}^{(k+1)})^\top$$

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MCMC Method for Molecule Optimization



mGNN: Multi-class classification for the masked node

bGNN: Binary classification for the molecule topology

$$w_r = \frac{p_X(Y') \cdot [\text{mGNN}(Y, v)]_{s'_v}}{p_X(Y) \cdot [\text{mGNN}(Y, v)]_{s_v}},$$

$$w_a = \frac{p_X(Y') \cdot \text{bGNN}(Y, u) \cdot [\text{mGNN}(Y', v)]_{s_v}}{p_X(Y) \cdot (1 - \text{bGNN}(Y, u))},$$

$$w_d = \frac{p_X(Y') \cdot (1 - \text{bGNN}(Y', u))}{p_X(Y) \cdot \text{bGNN}(Y', u) \cdot [\text{mGNN}(Y, v)]_{s_v}},$$

$$Y' \sim \begin{cases} S_{\text{replace}}(Y' | Y), & \text{prob } \gamma_1, \text{ accept w. } \min\{1, w_r\}, \\ S_{\text{add}}(Y' | Y), & \text{prob. } \gamma_2, \text{ accept w. } \min\{1, w_a\}, \\ S_{\text{delete}}(Y' | Y), & \text{prob. } \gamma_3, \text{ accept w. } \min\{1, w_d\}, \end{cases}$$

Permutation Equivariance and Invariance

Permutation Equivariance (PE): $f(PAP^T) = Pf(A)$

Permutation Invariance (PI): $f(PAP^T) = f(A)$

Example:

GCN, GAT: Inherently permutation invariant $H^{\ell+1} = \sigma \left(\sum_{k=1}^{c+1} (A_{(:, :, k)} H^{\ell} W_k^{\ell}) \right)$

$\mathbf{s} : \mathbb{R}^{N \times N} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^{N \times N}$ Permutation equivariant



$\int_{\gamma[\mathbf{0}, \mathbf{A}]} \langle \mathbf{s}(\mathbf{X}), d\mathbf{X} \rangle_{\mathbb{F}} + C$ Permutation invariant



$\log p_{\boldsymbol{\theta}}(\mathbf{A}) = \int_{\gamma[\mathbf{0}, \mathbf{A}]} \langle \mathbf{s}_{\boldsymbol{\theta}}(\mathbf{X}), d\mathbf{X} \rangle_{\mathbb{F}} + \log p_{\boldsymbol{\theta}}(\mathbf{0})$ Permutation invariant

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Rethinking

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