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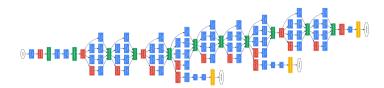
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- Use shared local neural network for the update.

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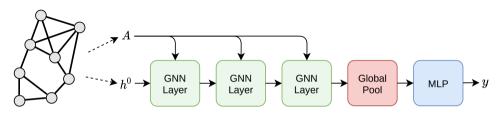
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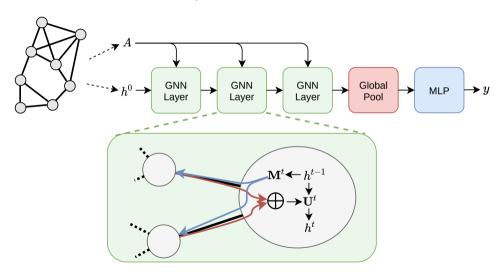
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- GNNs also seamlessly handle real-valued node and edge features.

## Exercise 2 and 3

In the next two sheets you will implement GNNs:

- Sheet 2: Implement the GCN using simple dense data structures.
- Sheet 3: Implement a general GNN Layer with efficient sparse data structures.



## Graph Convolutional Neural Network

The Graph Convolutional Neural Network (GCN) [Kipf and Welling, 2016]:

- One of the first GNNs that actually worked.
- Simple and effective.
- Still often used as the default GNN for many tasks.
- Limitations: Does not incorporate edge features.



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In the general GNN framework:  $\mathbf{M}$  is the identity function,  $\mathbf{U}$  is a one layer perceptron without bias and  $\bigoplus$  is a weighted sum.

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The layer can now be expressed with efficient matrix operations:

$$H^{(\ell)} = \sigma(\tilde{A} \cdot H^{(\ell-1)} \cdot W^{(\ell)})$$



### Considerations

### Implementing GNNs with dense tensors:

- Dimension 0 is reserved as the batch dimension.
- For a batch of size b we have  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{b \times |V| \times |V|}$  and  $H^0 \in \mathbb{R}^{b \times |V| \times d}$
- Graphs have different sizes: Pad A and  $X_V$  with zeros to uniform sizes over the whole dataset.



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#### Perform 10-fold Cross-Validation on 4 datasets:

- Cora
- Citeseer
- NCI1
- ENZYMES

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We will build a Multi-Layer Perceptron as an example.

# A Basic PyTorch Module

```
1 import torch
3 class Laver(torch.nn.Module):
      def init (self, dim in, dim out, is linear=False):
          super(Layer, self). init ()
          self.is linear = is linear
          # use Kaiming Init when using ReLU
10
          self.W = torch.nn.Parameter(torch.zeros(dim in. dim out))
11
          torch.nn.init.kaiming normal (self.W)
12
13
          self.b = torch.nn.Parameter(torch.normal(0.0, 1.0, size=(dim out,)))
14
15
      def forward(self. x):
16
          # linear transformation on input
17
          v = torch.matmul(x. self.W) + self.b
18
19
          # apply activation
20
          if not self.is linear:
21
              v = torch.relu(v)
22
          return v
23
```

## **Combining Modules**

```
25 class MLP(torch.nn.Module):
26
27
      def init (self, input dim, output dim, hidden dim, num layers):
28
          super(MLP, self). init ()
29
          self.num lavers = num lavers
30
31
          # add sub-modules as attribute
32
          self.input layer = Layer(input dim, hidden dim)
33
          self.output layer = Layer(hidden dim, output dim, is linear=True)
34
35
          # Store multiple submodules in "ModuleList"
36
          self.hidden layers = torch.nn.ModuleList(
37
              [Layer(hidden dim, hidden dim) for in range(num layers-2)]
38
39
40
      def forward(self, x):
41
          # apply lavers
42
          y = self.input layer(x)
43
          for i in range(self.num layers-2):
44
              y = self.hidden layers[i](y)
45
          v = self.output layer(y)
46
          return v
47
```

# Before Training

```
51 import numpy as np
52 from torch.utils.data import TensorDataset, DataLoader
53
54 # load numpy data and cast to torch tensors
55 X, Y = np.load('training data.npy')
56 X = torch.tensor(X, dtype=torch.float32)
57Y = torch.tensor(Y)
58
59 # create dataset and loader for mini batches
60 train dataset = TensorDataset(X, Y)
61train loader = DataLoader(train dataset, batch size=32, shuffle=True)
62
63 # set to 'cuda' if gpu is available
64 device = 'cpu'
65
66 # construct neural network and move it to device
67 model = MLP(input dim=2, output dim=10, hidden dim=100, num layers=4)
68 model.train()
69 model.to(device)
70
71# construct optimizer
72 opt = torch.optim.Adam(model.parameters(), lr=0.001)
73
```

## Training Loop

```
74 from torch.nn.functional import cross entropy
75
76 for epoch in range(100):
77
      for x, y true in train loader:
78
          # set gradients to zero
79
          opt.zero grad()
80
81
          # move data to device
82
          x = x.to(device)
83
          y true = y true.to(device)
84
85
          # forward pass and loss
86
          y pred = model(x)
87
           loss = torch.nn.functional.cross entropy(y pred, y true)
88
89
          # backward pass and sqd step
90
           loss.backward()
91
          opt.step()
92
93
      # Insert a validation loop and some logging here...
94
```

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