# **Equivariant Subgraph Aggregation** Networks

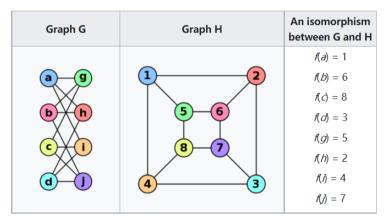
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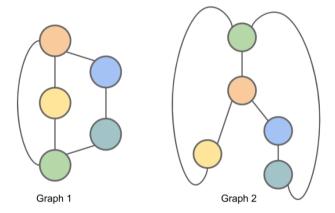
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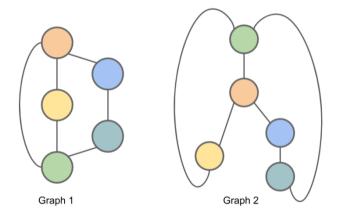
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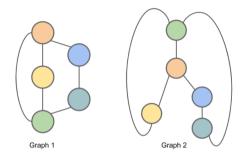


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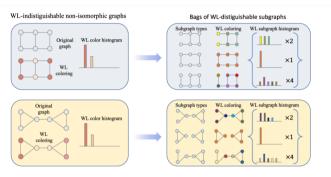


Figure 1: We present a provably expressive graph learning framework based on representing graphs as bags of subgraphs and processing them with an equivariant architecture, composed of GNNs and set networks. **Left panel:** A pair of graphs not distinguishable by the WL test. **Right panel:** The corresponding bags (multisets) of all edge-deleted subgraphs, which can be distinguished by our framework.

#### Contribution

- ► This paper proposed a framework called **Equivariant Subgraph**Aggregation Networks(ESAN) to improve expressive power of MPNNs.
- ► It developed variants **DS(S)-WL** of **the 1-dimensional Weisfeiler-Leman (1-WL) test** for graph isomorphism.

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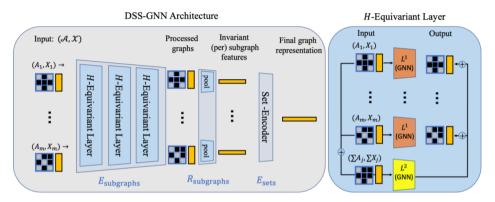


Figure 3: DSS-GNN layers and architecture. **Left panel**: the DSS- GNN architecture is composed of three blocks: a Feature Encoder, a Readout Layer and a Set Encoder. **Right panel**: a DSS-GNN layer is constructed from a Siamese part (orange) and an information-sharing part (yellow).

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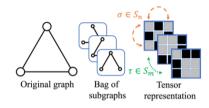


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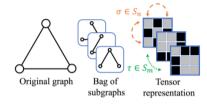


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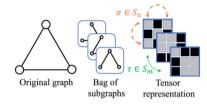


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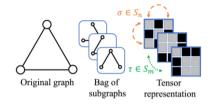
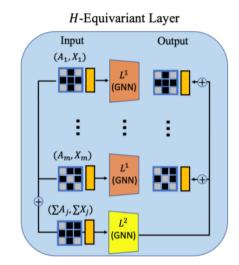


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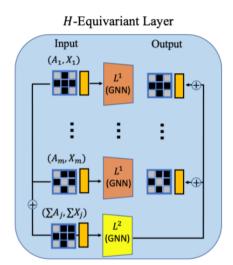
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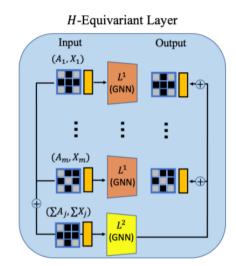


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#### Is DS(S)-WL strictly more powerful than 1-WL?

#### Circulant Skip Link(CSL)

CSL(n, 2) can be distinguished from any CSL(n, k) with  $k \in [3, n/2 - 1]$  by DS-WL and DSS-WL with either the ND, EGO, or EGO+ policy.

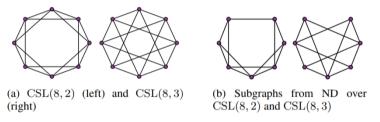


Figure 4: Graphs CSL(8,2) and CSL(8,3) (left) and their node-deleted subgraphs (right).

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Table 1: TUDatasets. The top three are highlighted by **First**, Second, **Third**. Gray background indicates that ESAN outperforms the base encoder.

Dataset	MUTAG	PTC	PROTEINS	NCII	NCI109	IMDB-B	IMDB-M
DCNN (Atwood & Towsley, 2016)	N/A	N/A	$61.3 \pm 1.6$	$56.6 \pm 1.0$	N/A	49.1±1.4	$33.5 \pm 1.4$
DGCNN (Zhang et al., 2018)	$85.8 \pm 1.8$	$58.6 \pm 2.5$	$75.5 \pm 0.9$	$74.4 \pm 0.5$	N/A	$70.0\pm0.9$	$47.8 \pm 0.9$
IGN (Maron et al., 2019b)	$83.9 \pm 13.0$	$58.5 \pm 6.9$	$76.6 \pm 5.5$	$74.3 \pm 2.7$	$72.8 \pm 1.5$	72.0±5.5	$48.7 \pm 3.4$
PPGNs (Maron et al., 2019a)	$90.6 \pm 8.7$	$66.2 \pm 6.6$	$77.2 \pm 4.7$	$83.2 \pm 1.1$	$82.2 \pm 1.4$	73.0±5.8	$50.5 \pm 3.6$
NATURAL GN (de Haan et al., 2020)	$89.4 \pm 1.6$	$66.8 \pm 1.7$	$71.7 \pm 1.0$	$82.4 \pm 1.3$	N/A	73.5±2.0	$51.3 \pm 1.5$
GSN (Bouritsas et al., 2020)	$92.2 \pm 7.5$	$68.2 \pm 7.2$	$76.6 \pm 5.0$	$83.5 \pm 2.0$	N/A	77.8±3.3	$54.3 \pm 3.3$
SIN (Bodnar et al., 2021b)	N/A	N/A	$76.4 \pm 3.3$	$82.7 \pm 2.1$	N/A	75.6±3.2	$52.4 \pm 2.9$
CIN (Bodnar et al., 2021a)	$92.7 \pm 6.1$	$68.2 \pm 5.6$	$77.0 \pm 4.3$	$83.6 \pm 1.4$	$84.0 \pm 1.6$	75.6±3.7	$52.7 \pm 3.1$
GIN (Xu et al., 2019)	89.4±5.6	64.6±7.0	76.2±2.8	82.7±1.7	82.2±1.6	75.1±5.1	52.3±2.8
GIN + ID-GNN (You et al., 2021)	90.4±5.4	67.2±4.3	75.4±2.7	82.6±1.6	82.1±1.5	76.0±2.7	52.7±4.2
DROPEDGE (Rong et al. (2019))	91.0±5.7	64.5±2.6	73.5±4.5	82.0±2.6	82.2±1.4	76.5± 3.3	52.8± 2.8
DS-GNN (GIN) (ED)	89.9±3.7	66.0±7.2	76.8±4.6	83.3±2.5	83.0±1.7	76.1±2.6	52.9±2.4
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DS-GNN (GIN) (EGO)	89.9±6.5	68.6±5.8	$76.7 \pm 5.8$	81.4±0.7	$79.5 \pm 1.0$	76.1±2.8	52.6±2.8
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DS-GNN (GCN) (ED)	74.70±1.94	74.86±0.92
DS-GNN (GCN) (ND)	$74.40 \pm 2.48$	$75.79 \pm 0.30$
DS-GNN (GCN) (EGO)	$74.00\pm2.38$	$75.41 \pm 0.72$
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DSS-GNN (GCN) (EGO)	$76.16 \pm 1.02$	$76.14 \pm 0.53$
DSS-GNN (GCN) (EGO+)	$76.50 \pm 1.38$	$76.29 \pm 0.78$
GIN (Xu et al., 2019)	75.58±1.40	74.91±0.51
DS-GNN (GIN) (ED)	76.43±2.12	75.12±0.50
DS-GNN (GIN) (ND)	$76.19 \pm 0.96$	75.34±1.21
DS-GNN (GIN) (EGO)	$78.00 \pm 1.42$	$76.22 \pm 0.62$
DS-GNN (GIN) (EGO+)	$77.40\pm2.19$	$76.39 \pm 1.18$
DSS-GNN (GIN) (ED)	77.03±1.81	76.71±0.67
DSS-GNN (GIN) (ND)	$76.63 \pm 1.52$	$77.21 \pm 0.70$
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