

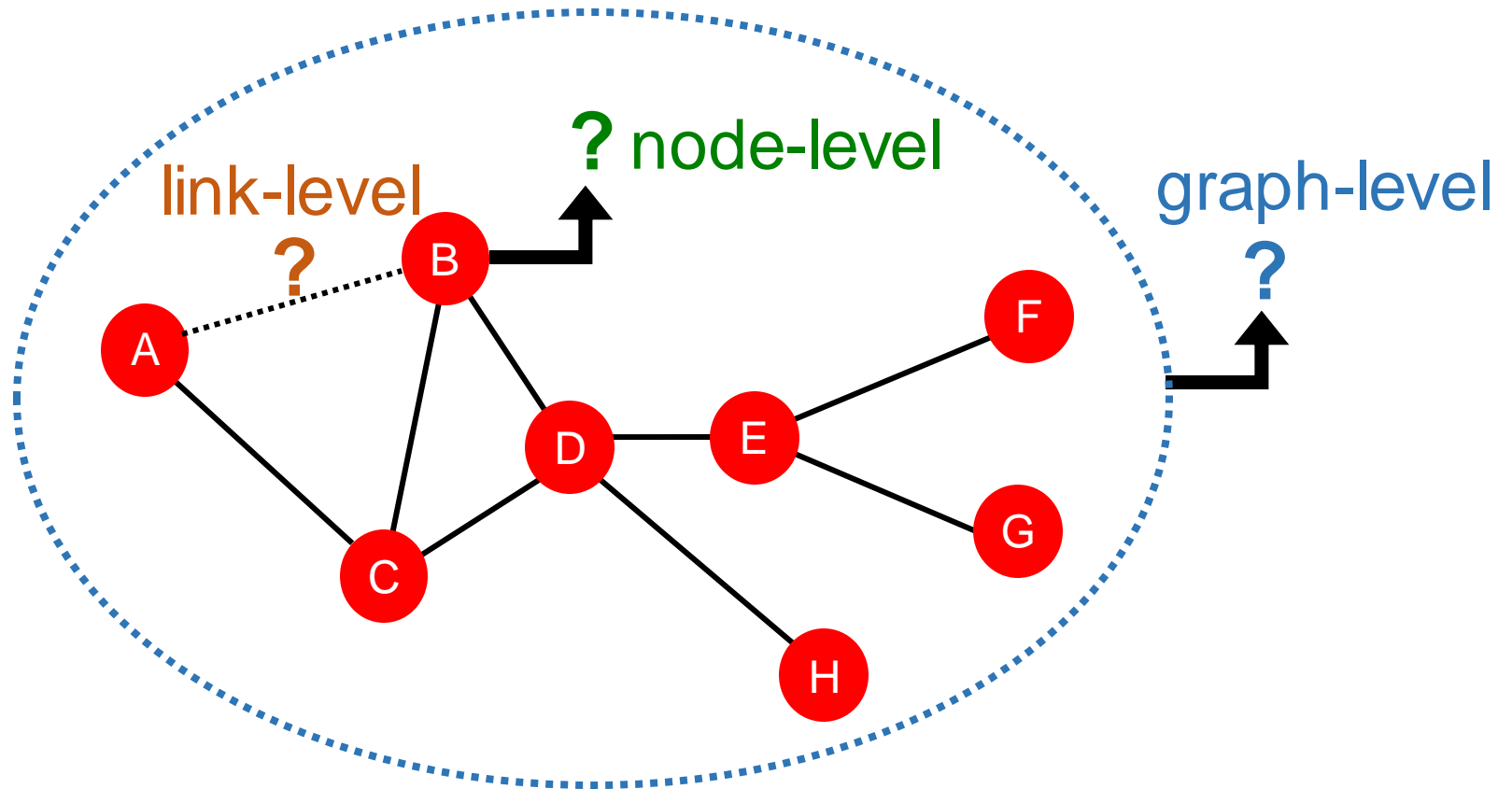
# Machine Learning Tasks for Graph-Structured Data

CPSC483: Deep Learning on Graph-Structured Data

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# Graph Machine Learning Tasks: Overview

- Node-level prediction
- Link-level prediction
- Graph-level prediction
- Graph generation
  - Generative model



# Traditional Graph ML Pipeline: Overview

## 1. Handcraft features

- node features
- link features
- graph features

## 2. Train an ML model

- Decision Tree
- Logistic Regression
- Support Vector Machine (SVM)
- ...

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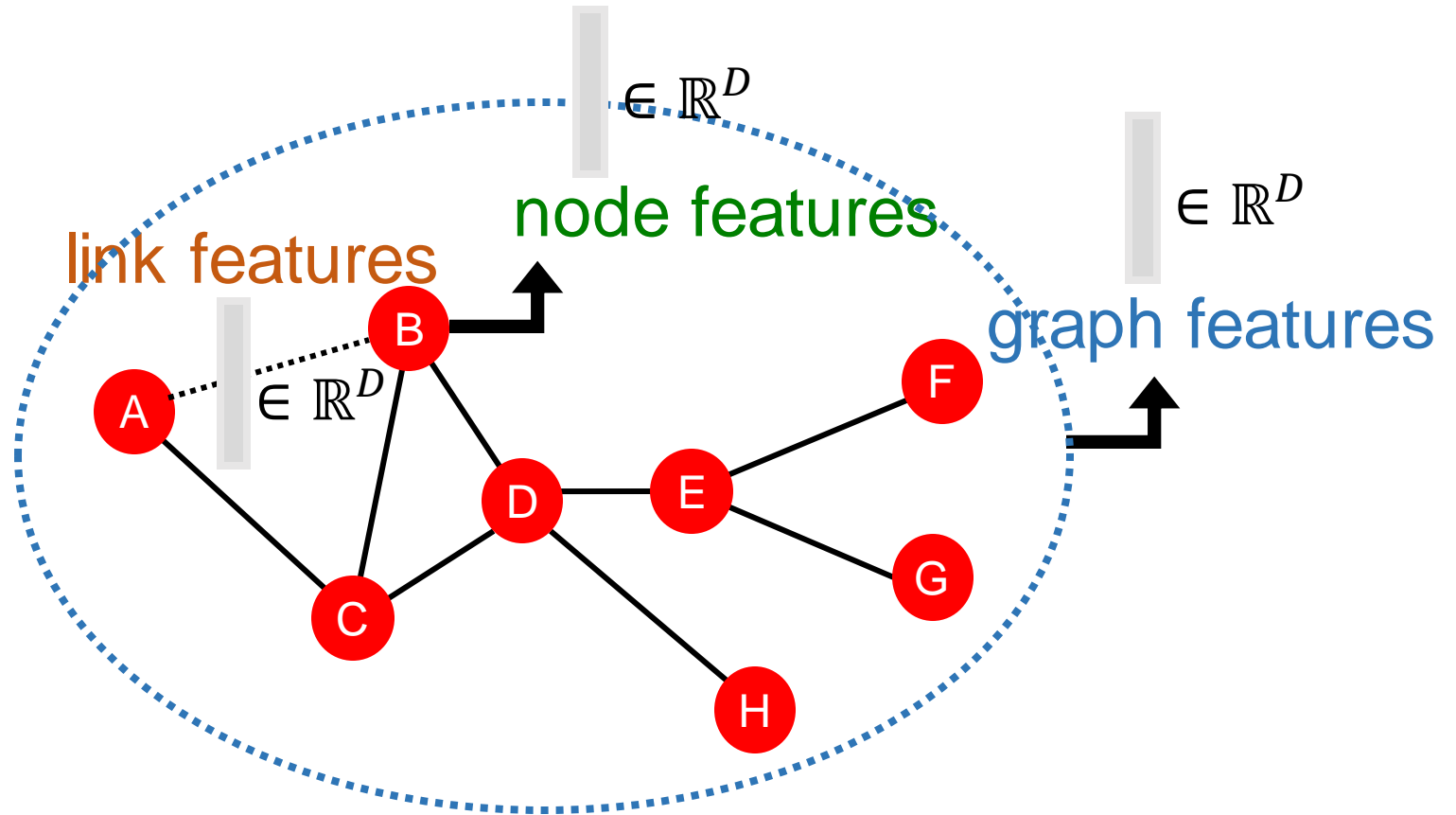
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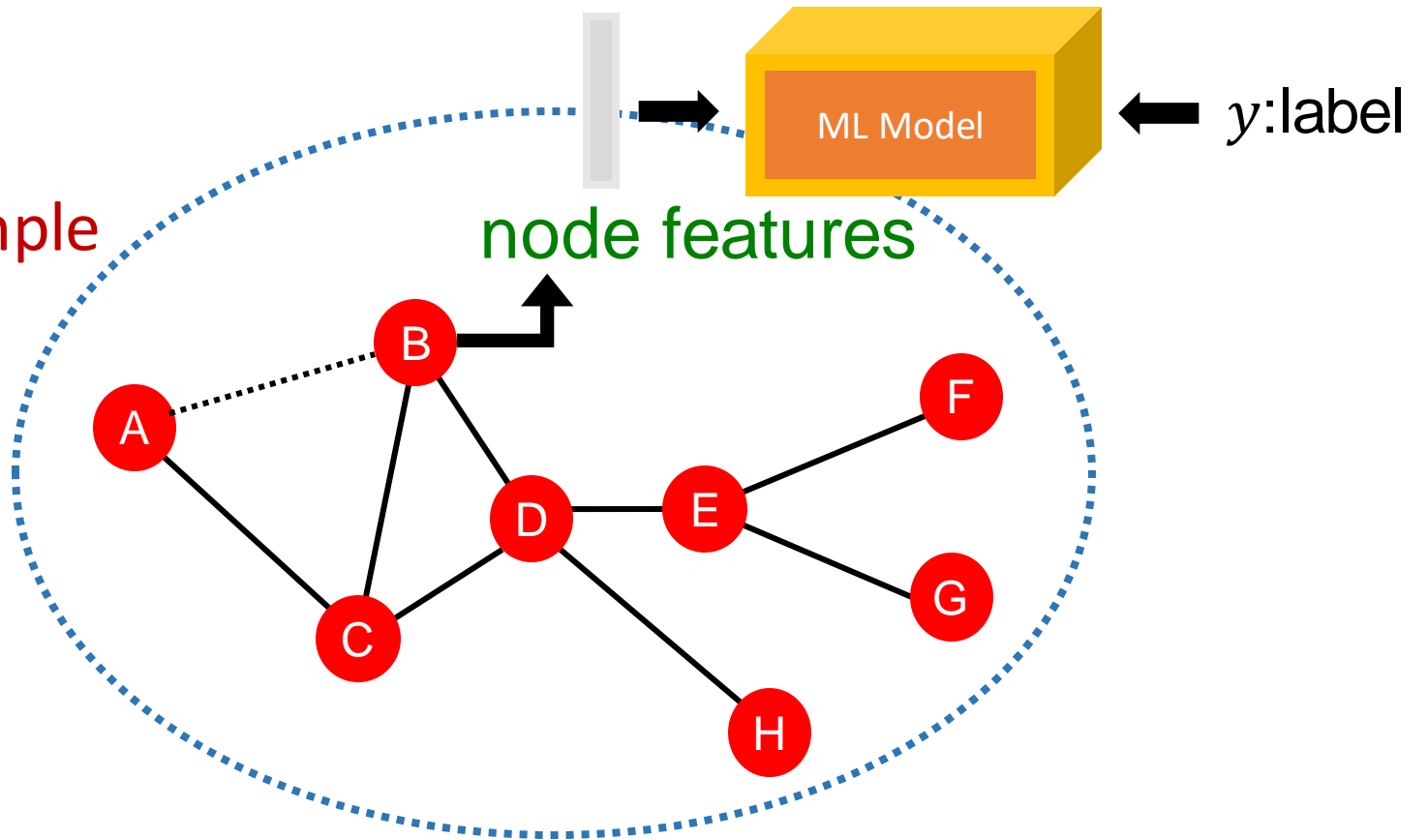


# Traditional Graph ML Pipeline (2)

Taking node features for example

## 2. Train an ML model

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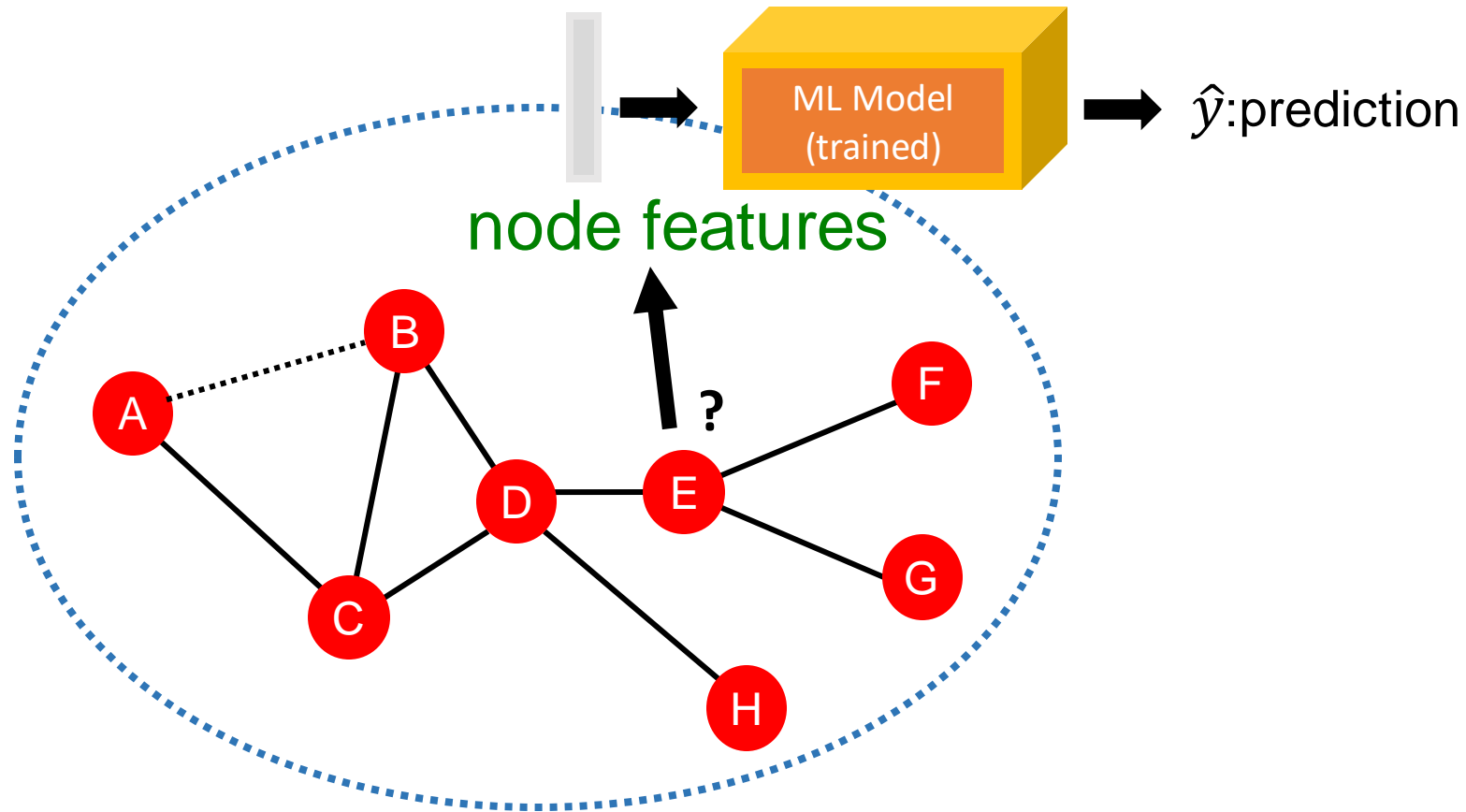


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# This Lecture: Feature Design

- **Using effective features over graphs is the key to achieving good test performance.**
- Traditional ML pipeline uses **hand-designed features**.
- **In this lecture, we overview the traditional features for**
  - Node-level prediction
  - Link-level prediction
  - Graph-level prediction
- For simplicity, we focus on **undirected graphs**.

# Feature Design: Inherent Features

- Sometimes elements (nodes, edges, etc.) of a graph have **inherent features**. For example,
  - In **social networks**, a user's
    - Age
    - Gender
    - Occupation
    - Education
  - In **molecules**, a bond's
    - Type
    - Order
    - Aromaticity
    - Conjugation



# Machine Learning in Graphs

## Design choices:

- **Features:**  $d$ -dimensional vectors
  - Data-specific node / edge / graph features
  - Extract features from graph structure
- **We want to predict:** nodes, edges, sets of nodes, entire graphs
- **Objective function:**
  - Classification: categorical
  - Regression: numerical

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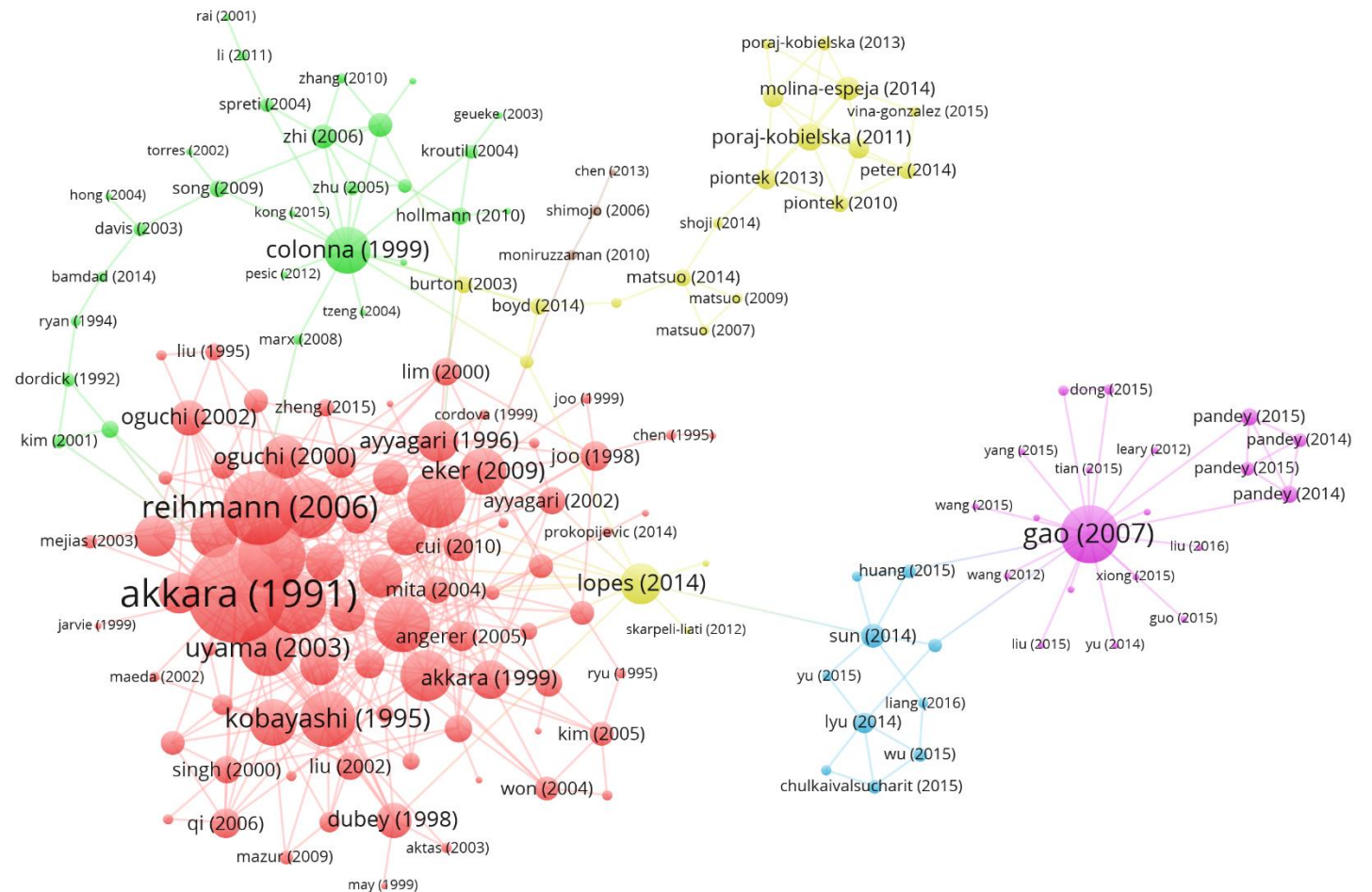
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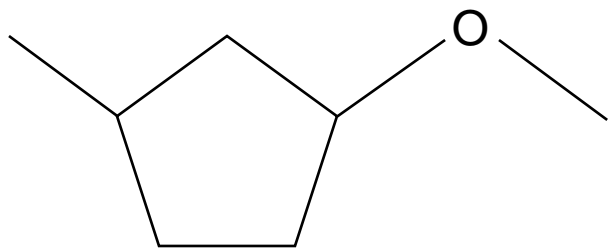
# Node-Level Task (1)

- Citation Networks
  - **Nodes:** papers
  - **Edges:** citations
  - **Predictions:** papers' research fields.

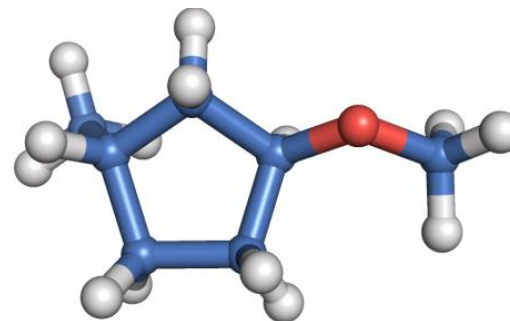


# Node-Level Task (2)

- Molecule's Conformation Generation
  - **Nodes:** atoms in the molecule
  - **Edges:** chemical bonds
  - **Predictions:** 3D position of each atom



→  
Conformation  
Generation

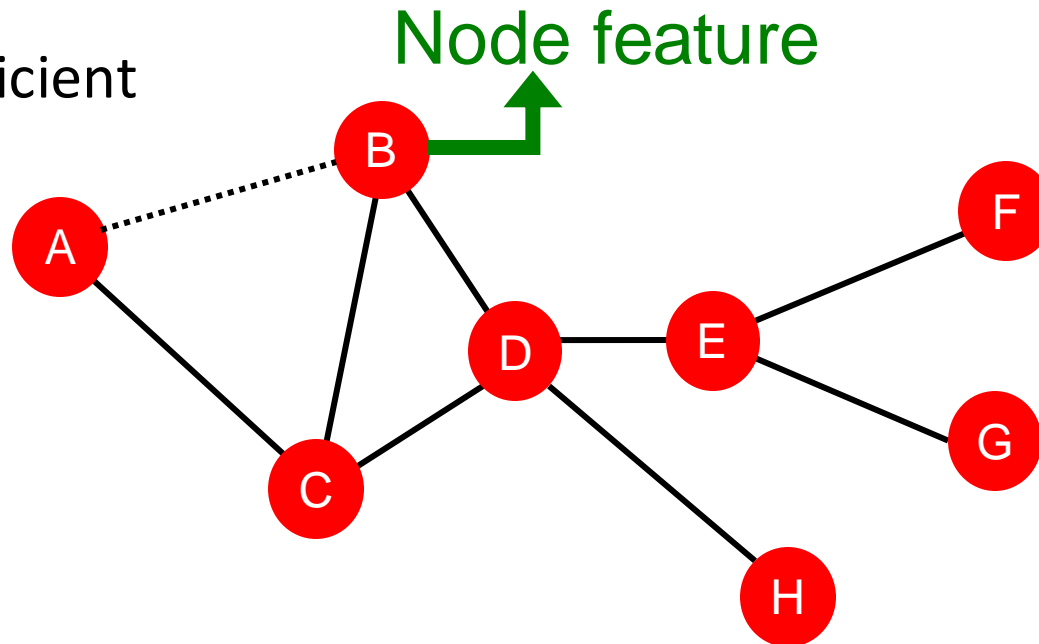


# Node-Level Features: Overview

**Goal:** Characterize the structure and position of a node in the network

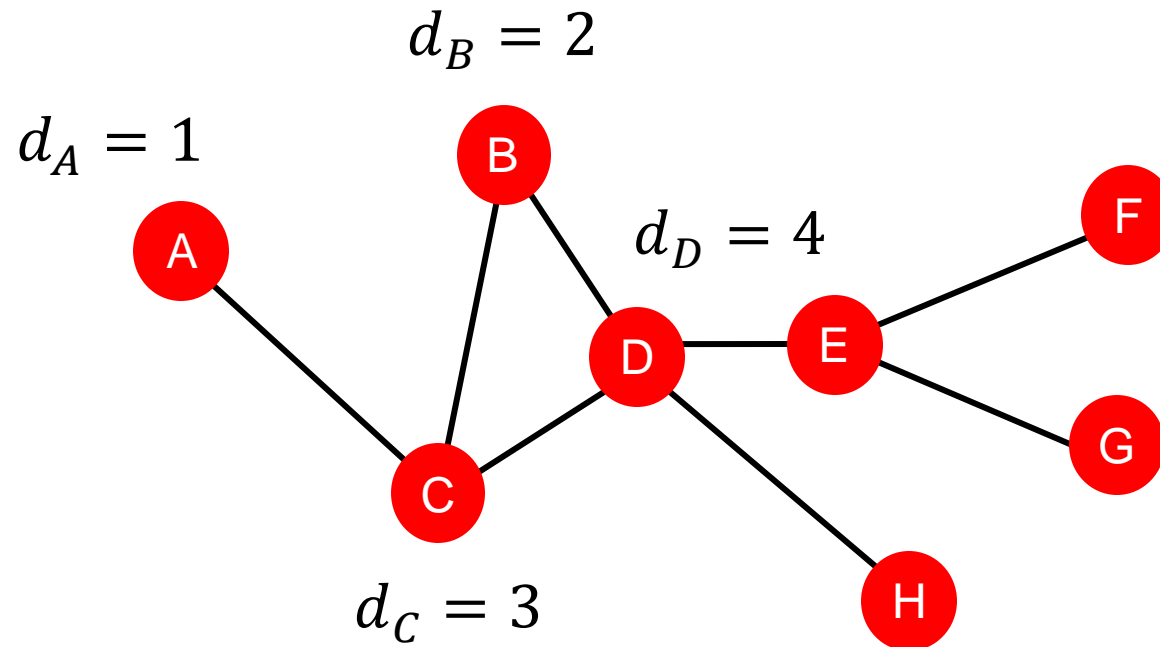
To achieve this goal, we can consider the following types of node features

- Node degree
- Node centrality
- Clustering coefficient
- Graphlets



# Node Features: Node Degree

- The degree  $d_v$  of node  $v$  is the number of edges (neighboring nodes) the node has.
- Treats all neighboring nodes equally.



# Node Features: Node Centrality

- Node degree counts the neighboring nodes **without capturing their importance.**
- **Node centrality**  $c_v$  takes the **node importance in a graph** into account
- **Different ways to model importance:**
  - Eigenvector centrality
  - Betweenness centrality
  - Closeness centrality
  - and many others...



# Node Centrality (1)

- **Eigenvector centrality:**

- A node  $v$  is important if **surrounded by important neighboring nodes**  $u \in N(v)$ .
- We model the centrality of node  $v$  as **the sum of the centrality of neighboring nodes**:

$$c_v = \frac{1}{\lambda} \sum_{u \in N(v)} c_u$$

where  $\lambda$  is some positive constant.

- Notice that the above equation models centrality in a **recursive manner**. How do we solve it?

# Node Centrality (1) Cont.

- **Eigenvector centrality:**

- Rewrite the recursive equation in the matrix form.

$$c_v = \frac{1}{\lambda} \sum_{u \in N(v)} c_u \Leftrightarrow \lambda \mathbf{c} = \mathbf{A} \mathbf{c}$$

where  $\mathbf{A}$ : Adjacency matrix,  $A_{uv} = 1$  if  $u \in N(v)$ ;  
 $\mathbf{c}$ : Centrality vector.

- We see that centrality is the **eigenvector**!
- The largest eigenvalue  $\lambda_{max}$  is always positive and unique (by [Perron-Frobenius Theorem](#)).
- The leading eigenvector  $\mathbf{c}_{max}$  is used for centrality.

# Node Centrality (2)

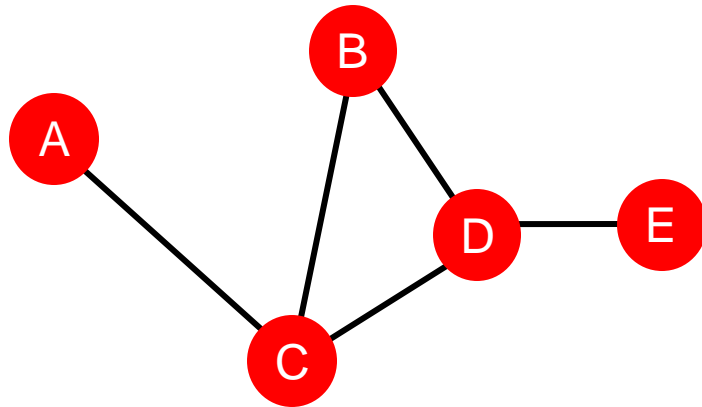
- **Betweenness centrality:**

- A node is important if it lies on many shortest paths between other nodes.

$$c_v = \sum_{s \neq v \neq t} \frac{\#(\text{shortest paths between } s \text{ and } t \text{ that contain } v)}{\#(\text{shortest paths between } s \text{ and } t)}$$

Where  $s$  is the source node and  $t$  is the target node.

- Example:



$$c_A = c_B = c_E = 0$$

$$c_C = 3$$

(A-C-B, A-C-D, A-C-D-E)

$$c_D = 3$$

(A-C-D-E, B-D-E, C-D-E)

underscore denotes the node  $v$

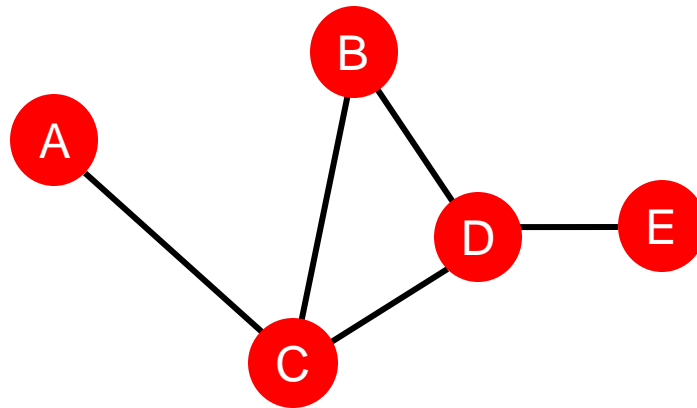
# Node Centrality (3)

- **Closeness centrality:**

- A node is important if it has small shortest path lengths to all other nodes.

$$c_v = \frac{1}{\sum_{u \neq v} \text{shortest path length between } u \text{ and } v}$$

- Example:



$$c_A = 1/(2 + 1 + 2 + 3) = 1/8$$

(A-C-B, A-C, A-C-D, A-C-D-E)

$$c_D = 1/(2 + 1 + 1 + 1) = 1/5$$

(D-C-A, D-B, D-C, D-E)

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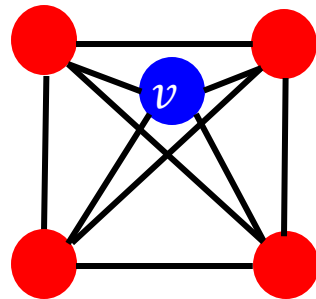
# Node Features: Clustering Coefficient

- Measures how connected  $v$ 's neighboring nodes are:

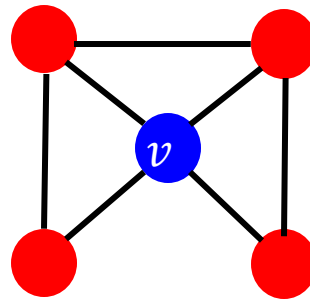
$$e_v = \frac{\#(\text{edges among neighboring nodes})}{\binom{d_v}{2}} \in [0,1]$$

- Examples

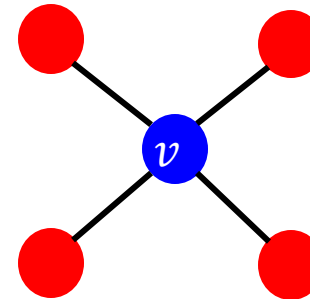
#(node pairs among  $d_v$  neighboring nodes)



$$e_v = 1$$



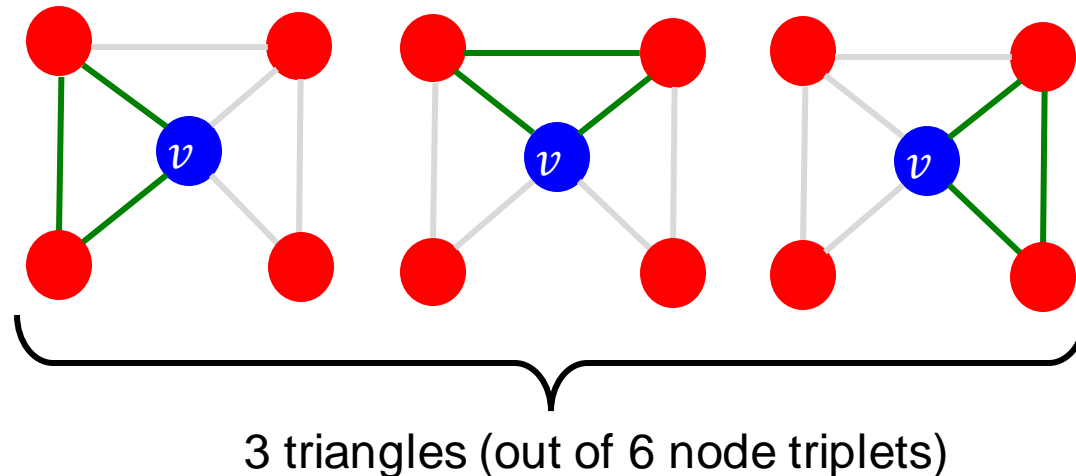
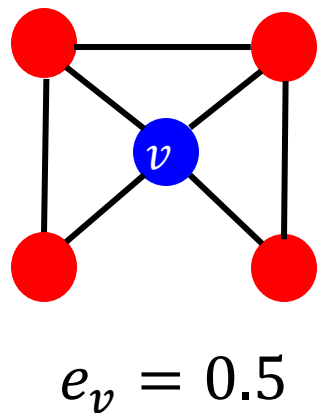
$$e_v = 0.5$$



$$e_v = 0$$

# Node Features: Graphlets

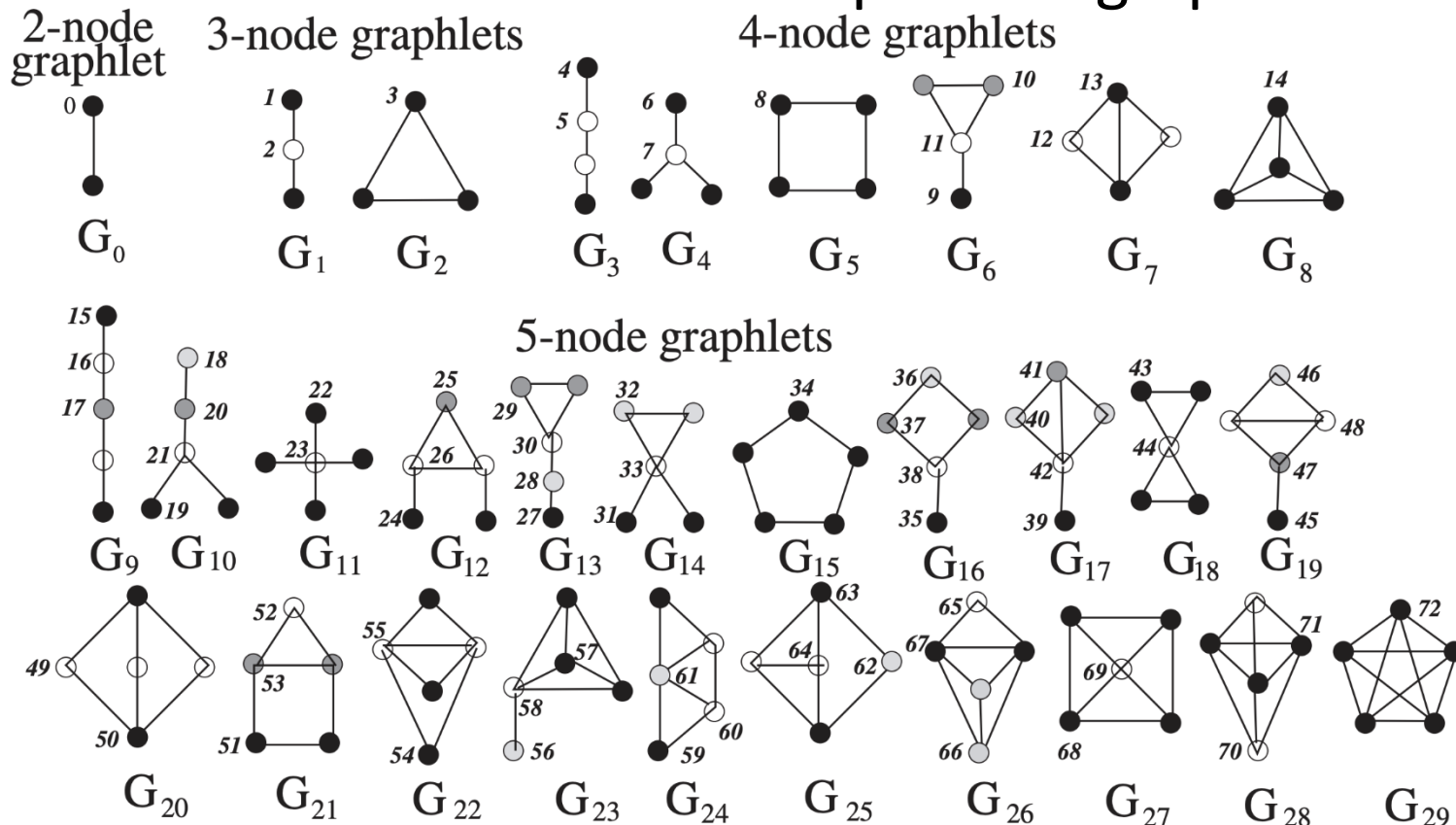
- **Observation:** Clustering coefficient counts the #(triangles) in the **ego-network** centered around  $v$ .



- We can generalize the above by counting #(pre-specified subgraphs, i.e., **graphlets**).

# Node Features: Graphlets (1)

- **Graphlets: Rooted** connected non-isomorphic subgraphs:

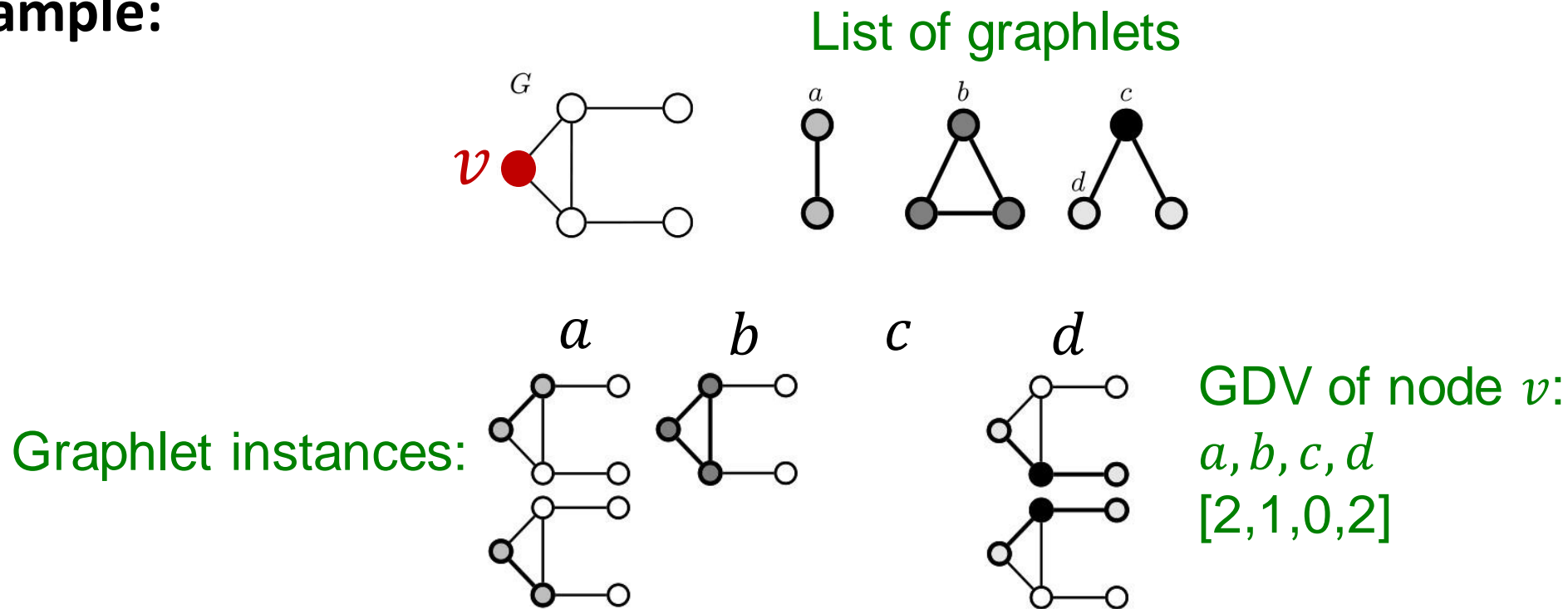


equivalent nodes are of the same shade

(Przulj et al., 2004)

# Node Features: Graphlets (2)

- **Graphlet Degree Vector (GDV):** A count vector of graphlets rooted at a given node.
- **Example:**





# Node Features: Graphlets (3)

- Considering graphlets on 2 to 5 nodes we get:
  - **Vector of 73 coordinates** is a signature of a node that describes the topology of node's neighborhood
  - Captures its interconnectivities out to a **distance of 4 hops**
- Graphlet degree vector provides a measure of a **node's local network topology**:
  - Comparing vectors of two nodes provides a more detailed measure of local topological similarity than node degrees or clustering coefficient.

# Node-Level Features: Summary (1)

- We have introduced different ways to obtain node features (except inherent features).
- They can be categorized as:
  - Importance-based features:
    - Node degree
    - Different node centrality measures
  - Structure-based features:
    - Node degree
    - Clustering coefficient
    - Graphlet count vector
- These features can be **concatenated** to form a feature vector.

# Node-Level Features: Summary (2)

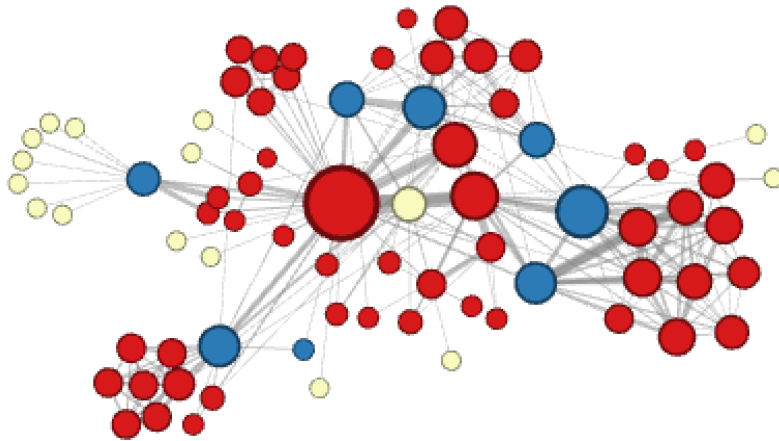
- **Importance-based features:** capture the importance of a node in a graph
  - Node degree:
    - Simply counts the number of neighboring nodes
  - Node centrality:
    - Models **importance of neighboring nodes** in a graph
    - Different modeling choices: eigenvector centrality, betweenness centrality, closeness centrality
- Useful for predicting influential nodes in a graph
  - **Example:** predicting celebrity users in a social network

# Node-Level Features: Summary (3)

- **Structure-based features:** Capture topological properties of local neighborhood around a node.
  - **Node degree:**
    - Counts the number of neighboring nodes
  - **Clustering coefficient:**
    - Measures how connected neighboring nodes are
  - **Graphlet degree vector:**
    - Counts the occurrences of different graphlets
- **Useful for predicting a particular role a node plays in a graph:**
  - **Example:** Predicting protein functionality in a protein-protein interaction network.

# Discussion

- Different ways to label nodes of the network:



Node features defined so far would allow us to distinguish nodes in the above example



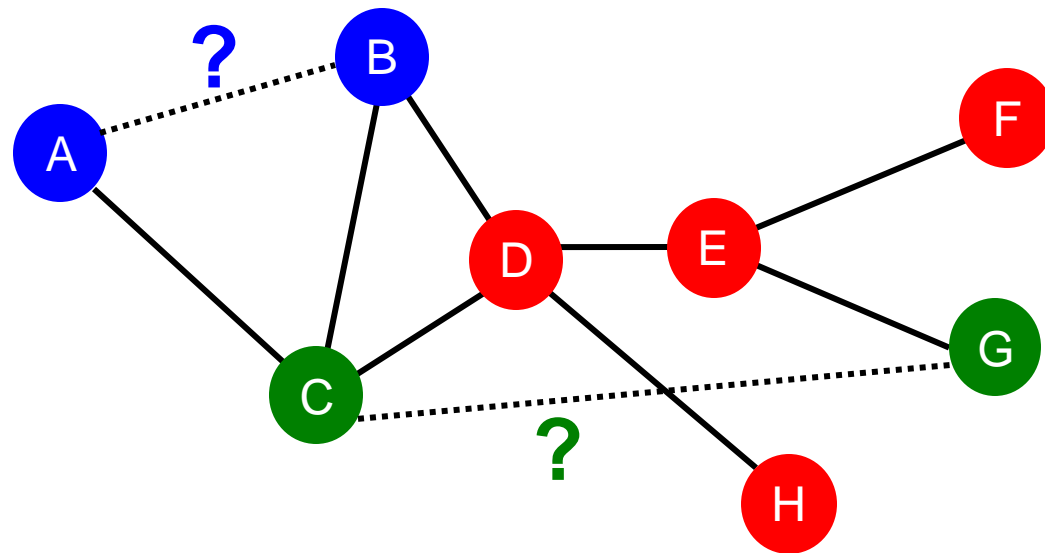
However, the features defines so far would not allow for distinguishing the above node labelling

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# Link-Level Prediction Task

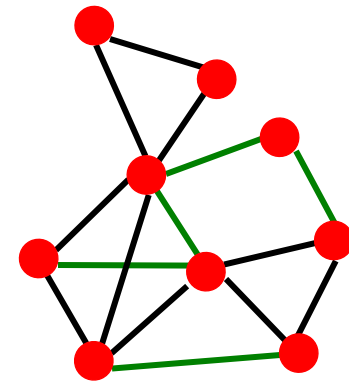
- The task is to predict **new / missing links** based on existing links.
- At test time, all node pairs (no existing links) are ranked, and top  $K$  node pairs are predicted.
- The key is to design features for a **pair of nodes**.



# Link Prediction as a Task

## Two formulations of the link prediction task:

- **1) Links missing:**
  - In some networks, links may be not fully discovered, e.g. knowledge graph, protein-protein interaction network.
- **2) Links over time:**
  - We will talk more about **temporal graph** tasks in future lectures

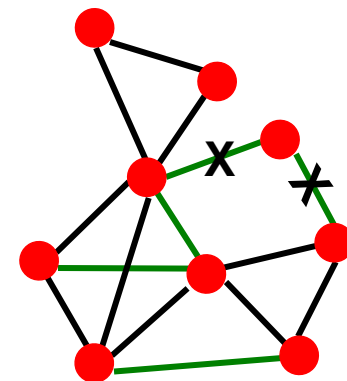




# Link Prediction via Proximity

- **Methodology:**

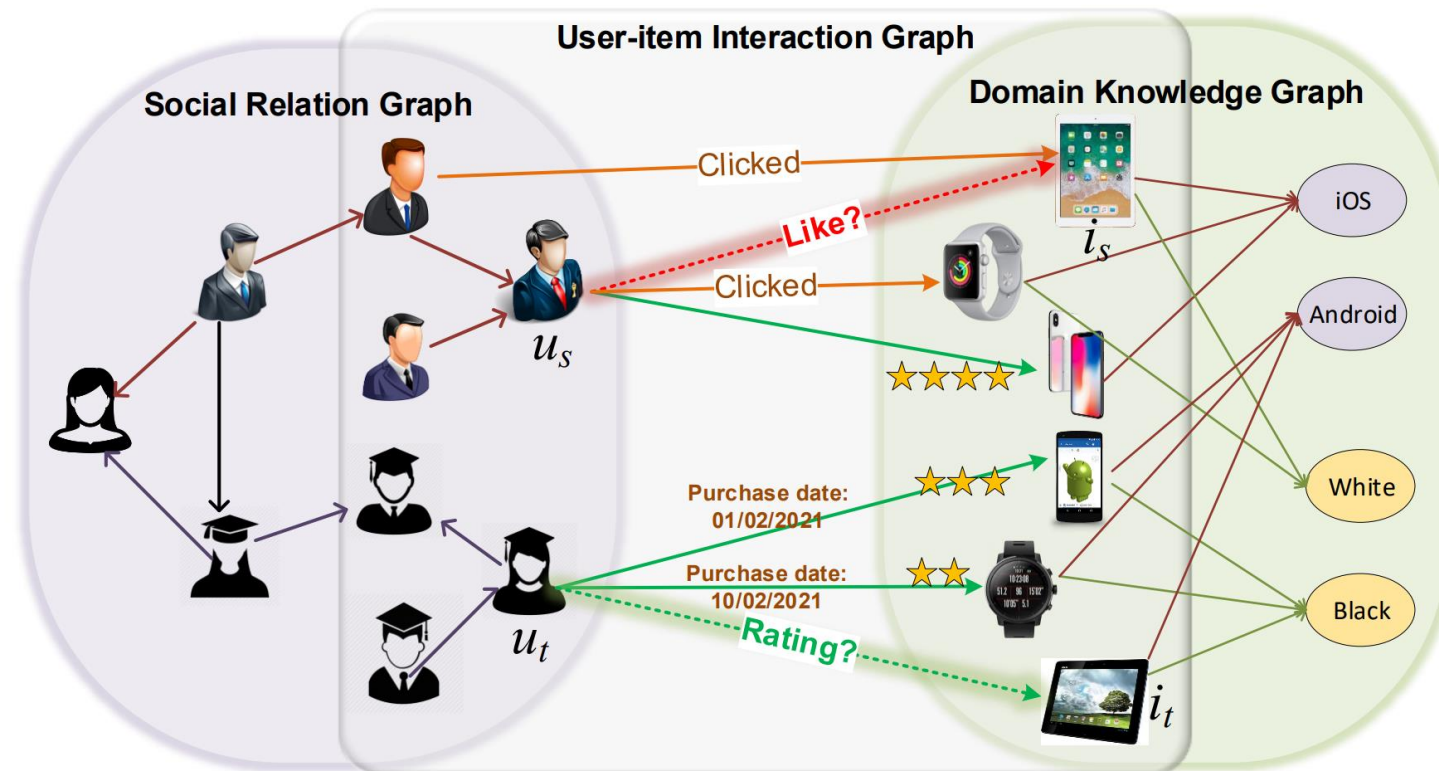
- For each pair of nodes  $(x, y)$  compute score  $c(x, y)$ 
  - For example,  $c(x, y)$  could be the # of common neighbors of  $x$  and  $y$
- Sort pairs  $(x, y)$  by the decreasing score  $c(x, y)$
- **Predict top  $n$  pairs as new links**
- **See which of these links actually appear in the ground truths.**



# Link-Level Task (1)

- **User-item interactions**

- **Nodes:** users, items
- **Edges:** interactions (e.g. clicks, purchases)
- **Predictions:** potential interactions

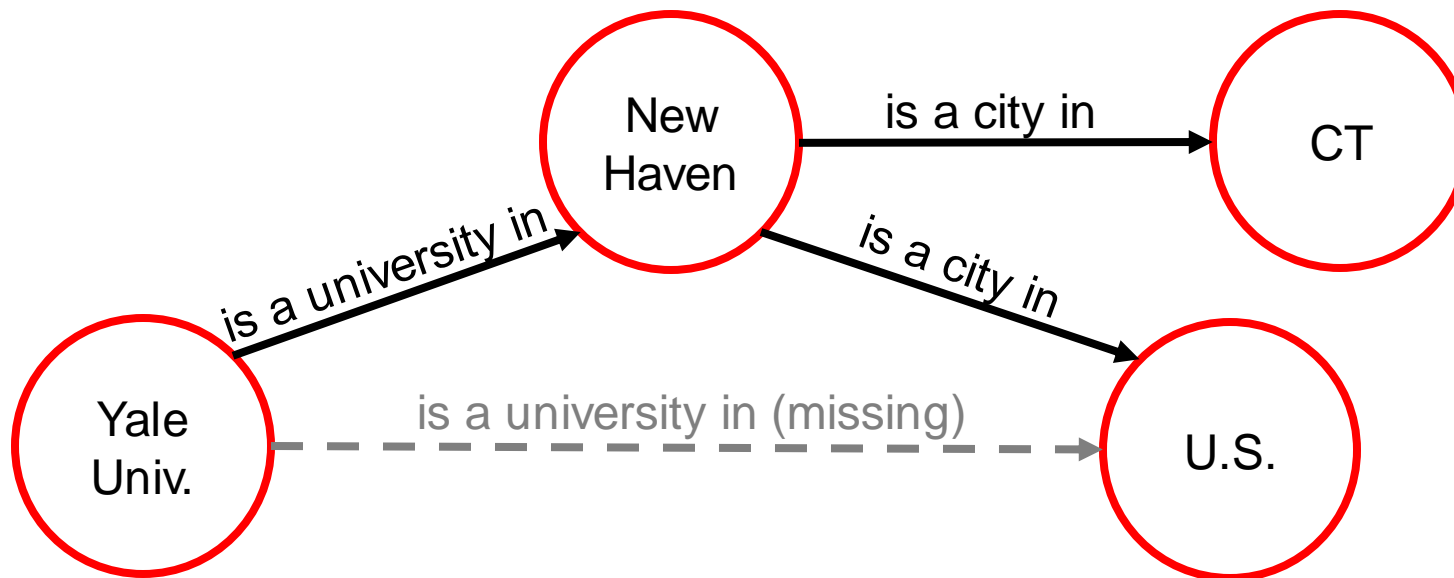


(Wang et al., 2020)

# Link-Level Task (2)

- **Knowledge Graph Completion**

- **Nodes:** entities
- **Edges:** relations
- **Predictions:** missing relations

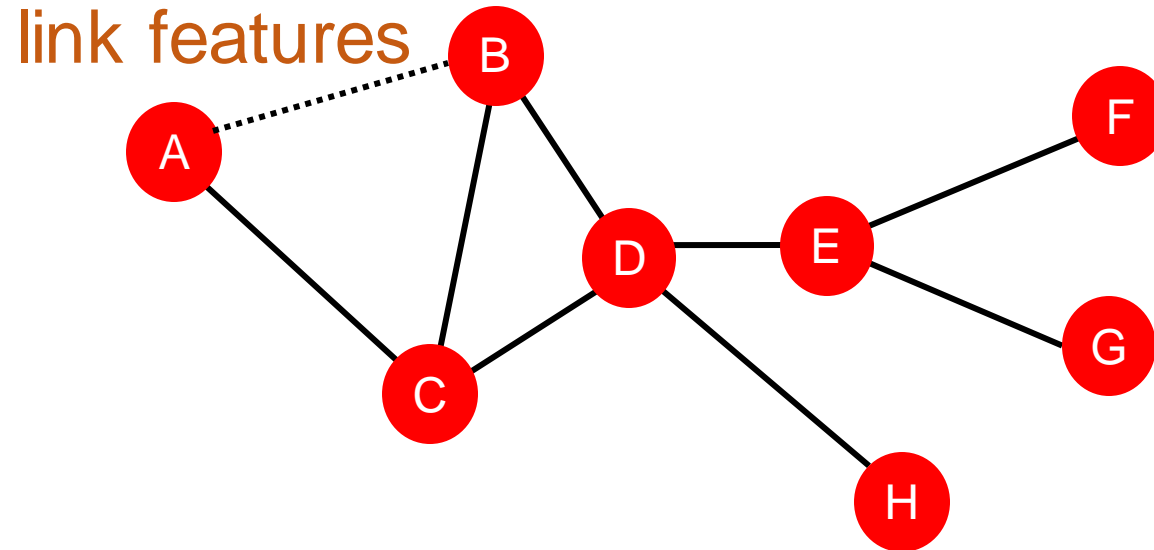


Some famous knowledge graphs:

- FreeBase
- WordNet
- DDB
- NELL

# Link-Level Features: Overview

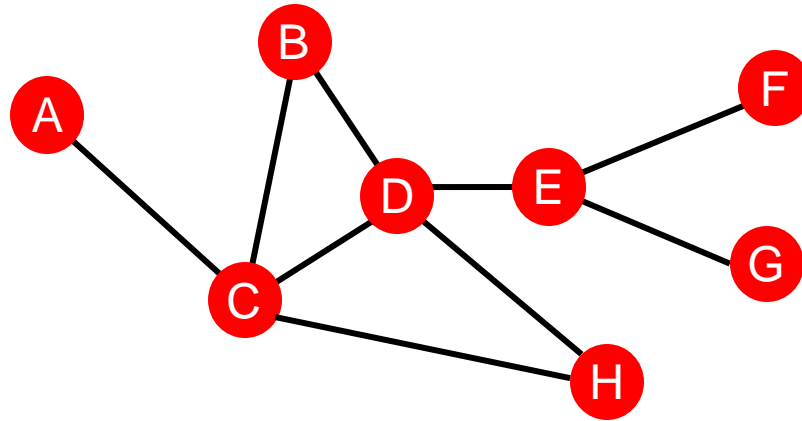
- Distance-based feature
- Local neighborhood overlap
- Global neighborhood overlap



# Distance-Based Features

## Shortest-path distance between two nodes

- Example:



$$S_{BH} = S_{BE} = S_{AB} = 2$$

$$S_{BG} = S_{BF} = 3$$

- However, this does not capture the degree of neighborhood overlap:
  - Node pair  $(B, H)$  has 2 shared neighboring nodes, while pairs  $(B, E)$  and  $(A, B)$  only have 1 such node.

# Local Neighborhood Overlap

**Captures # neighboring nodes shared between two nodes  $v_1$  and  $v_2$ :**

- **Common neighbors:**  $|N(v_1) \cap N(v_2)|$

- Example:  $|N(A) \cap N(B)| = |\{C\}| = 1$

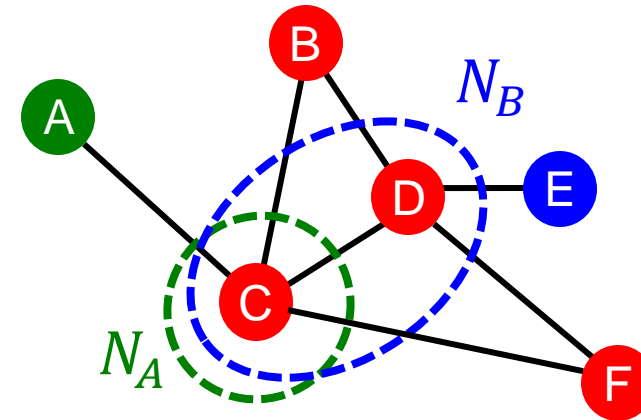
- **Jaccard's coefficient:**  $\frac{|N(v_1) \cap N(v_2)|}{|N(v_1) \cup N(v_2)|}$

- Example:  $\frac{|N(A) \cap N(B)|}{|N(A) \cup N(B)|} = \frac{|\{C\}|}{|\{C, D\}|} = \frac{1}{2}$

- **Adamic-Adar index:**

$$\sum_{u \in N(v_1) \cap N(v_2)} \frac{1}{\log(d_u)}$$

- Example:  $\frac{1}{\log(d_C)} = \frac{1}{\log 4}$

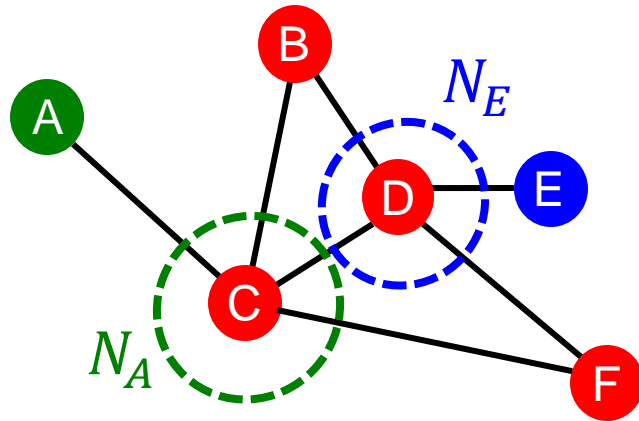


Make sure we define in the first lecture!

# Global Neighborhood Overlap (1)

- **Limitation of local neighborhood features:**

- Metric is always zero if the two nodes do not have any neighbors in common.



$$N_A \cap N_E = \phi$$
$$|N_A \cap N_E| = 0$$

- However, the two nodes may still potentially be connected in the future.
- **Global neighborhood overlap** metrics resolve the limitation by considering the entire graph.

# Global Neighborhood Overlap (2)

- **Katz index:** count the number of paths of all lengths between a given pair of nodes.
- **Q: How to compute #(paths) between two nodes?**
- Use **powers of the graph adjacency matrix!**



# Powers of Adjacency Matrices (1)

- **Theorem:** Let  $G$  be a graph with adjacency matrix  $A$  w.r.t. the ordering  $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n$  of the vertices of the graph. Let  $P_{ij}^{(r)}$  be the number of different **paths** of **length  $r$**  from  $v_i$  to  $v_j$ , where  $r$  is a positive integer. We have

$$P_{ij}^{(r)} = A_{ij}^r$$

where  $A_{ij}^r$  denotes the  $(i, j)$ th entry of  $A^r$ .

- **Proof:** using **mathematical induction**.

# Powers of Adjacency Matrices (2)

- For example, to compute  $P_{ij}^{(2)}$ 
  - Step 1: Compute **#(paths)** of length 1 **between each of  $v_i$ 's neighbor and  $v_j$**
  - Step 2: **Sum up** these **#(paths)** across  $v_i$ 's neighbors  $v_k$
  - $P_{ij}^{(2)} = \sum_k A_{ik} * P_{kj}^{(1)} = \sum_k A_{ik} * A_{kj} = A_{ij}^2$

Node 1's neighbors      #paths of length 1 between Node 1's neighbors and Node 2       $P_{12}^{(2)} = A_{12}^2$

$$A^2 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \times \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$$

Power of adjacency matrix

# Global Neighborhood Overlap (3)

- **Katz index:** count the number of paths of all lengths between a pair of nodes.
- How to compute #(paths) between two nodes?
- Use **adjacency matrix powers**!
  - $A_{ij}$  specifies #(paths) of length 1 (direct neighborhood) between  $v_i$  and  $v_j$ .
  - $A_{ij}^2$  specifies #(paths) of **length 2** (neighbor of neighbor) between  $v_i$  and  $v_j$ .
  - And,  $A_{ij}^l$  specifies #paths of **length  $l$** .

# Global Neighborhood Overlap (4)

- **Katz index** between  $v_1$  and  $v_2$  is calculated as

$$S_{v_1 v_2} = \sum_{l=1}^{\infty} \boxed{\beta^l} \boxed{A_{12}^l} \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{\#(paths) of length } l \\ \text{between } v_1 \text{ and } v_2 \end{array}$$

$0 < \beta < 1$ : discount factor

- Katz index matrix is computed in closed-form:

$$S = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \beta^i A^i = \underbrace{(I - \beta A)^{-1}}_{= \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \beta^i A^i} - I,$$

by geometric series of matrices

# Link-Level Features: Summary

- **Distance-based features:**

- Uses the shortest path length between two nodes but does not capture how neighborhood overlaps.

- **Local neighborhood overlap:**

- Captures how many neighboring nodes are shared by two nodes.
- Becomes zero when no neighbor nodes are shared.

- **Global neighborhood overlap:**

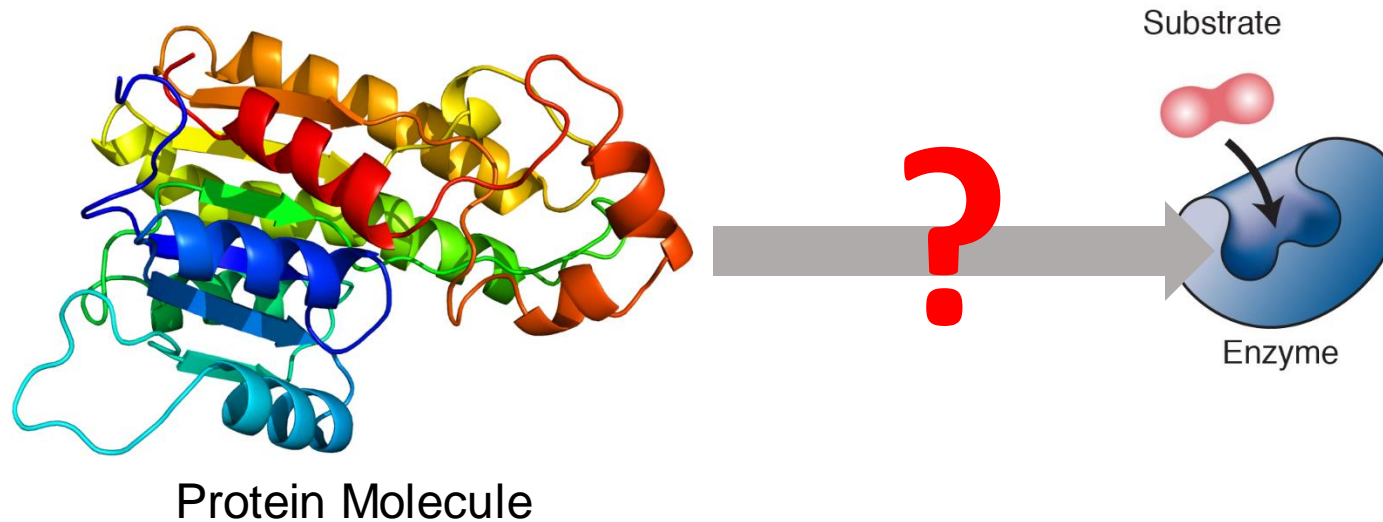
- Uses global graph structure to score two nodes.
- Katz index counts #paths of all lengths between two nodes.

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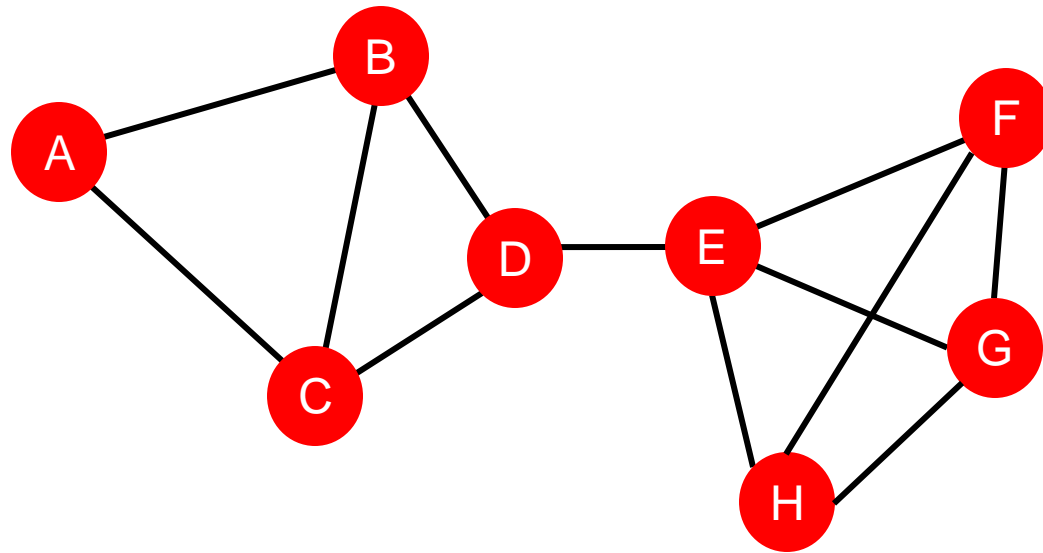
# Graph-Level Task

- Proteins
  - **Nodes:** amino acids
  - **Edges:** bonds, distances (connect two nodes if the distance between which is less than a threshold)
  - **Predictions:** enzymes or non-enzymes



# Graph-Level Features

- **Goal:** We want features that characterize the structure of an entire graph.
- **For example:**





# Background: Kernel Methods

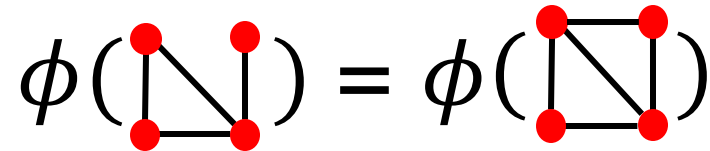
- **Kernel methods** are widely-used for traditional ML for graph-level prediction.
- **Idea: Design kernels instead of feature vectors.**
- **A quick introduction to Kernels:**
  - Kernel  $K(G, G') \in \mathbb{R}$  measures similarity b/w data
  - Kernel matrix  $\mathbf{K} = \left( K(G, G') \right)_{G, G'}$  must always be positive semidefinite (i.e., has positive eigenvalues)
  - There exists a **feature representation**  $\phi(\cdot)$  such that  $K(G, G') = \phi(G)^T \phi(G')$
  - Once the kernel is defined, off-the-shelf ML model, such as **kernel SVM**, can be used to make predictions.

# Graph-Level Features: Overview

- **Graph Kernels:** Measure similarity between two graphs (for those interested):
  - [Graphlet Kernel](#)
  - [Weisfeiler-Lehman Kernel](#)
  - Other kernels are also proposed in the literature
    - Random-walk kernel
    - Shortest-path graph kernel
    - And many more...

# Graph Kernel: Key idea (1)

- **Goal:** Design graph feature vector  $\phi(G)$
- **Key idea:** Bag-of-Words (BoW) for a graph
  - **Recall:** BoW simply uses the word counts as features for documents (no ordering considered).
  - Naïve extension to a graph: **Regard nodes as words.**
  - Since both graphs have **4 red nodes**, we get the same feature vector for two different graphs...

$$\phi(\text{Graph 1}) = \phi(\text{Graph 2})$$


# Graph Kernel: Key idea (2)

What if we use Bag of **node degrees**?

Degree1: ● Degree2: ● Degree3: ●

$$\phi(\text{triangle}) = \text{count}(\text{triangle with colored nodes}) = [1, 2, 1]$$

Obtains different features for different graphs!

$$\phi(\text{square}) = \text{count}(\text{square with colored nodes}) = [0, 2, 2]$$

- Both Graphlet Kernel and Weisfeiler-Lehman (WL) Kernel use **Bag-of-\*** representation of graph, where \* is more sophisticated than node degrees!

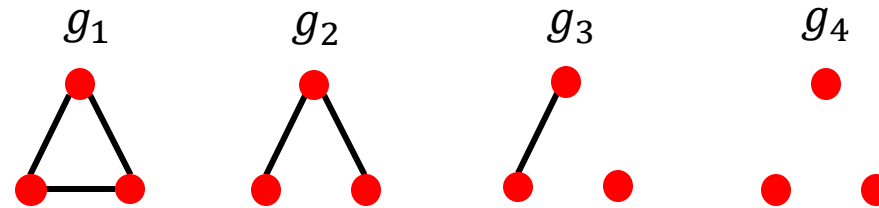
# Graphlet Features (1)

- **Key idea:** Count the number of different graphlets in a graph.
  - **Note:** Definition of graphlets here is slightly different from node-level features.
  - The two differences are:
    - Nodes in graphlets here do **not need to be connected** (allows for isolated nodes)
    - The graphlets here are not rooted.
    - Examples in the next slide illustrate this.

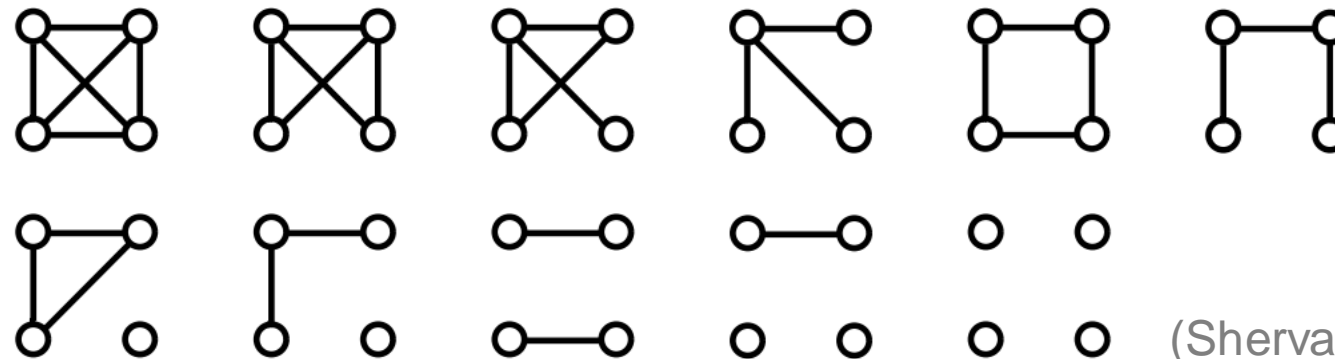
# Graphlet Features (2)

Let  $\mathcal{G}_k = (g_1, g_2, \dots, g_{n_k})$  be a list of graphlets of size  $k$ .

- For  $k = 3$ , there are 4 graphlets.



- For  $k = 4$ , there are 11 graphlets.



(Shervashidze *et al.*, 2011)

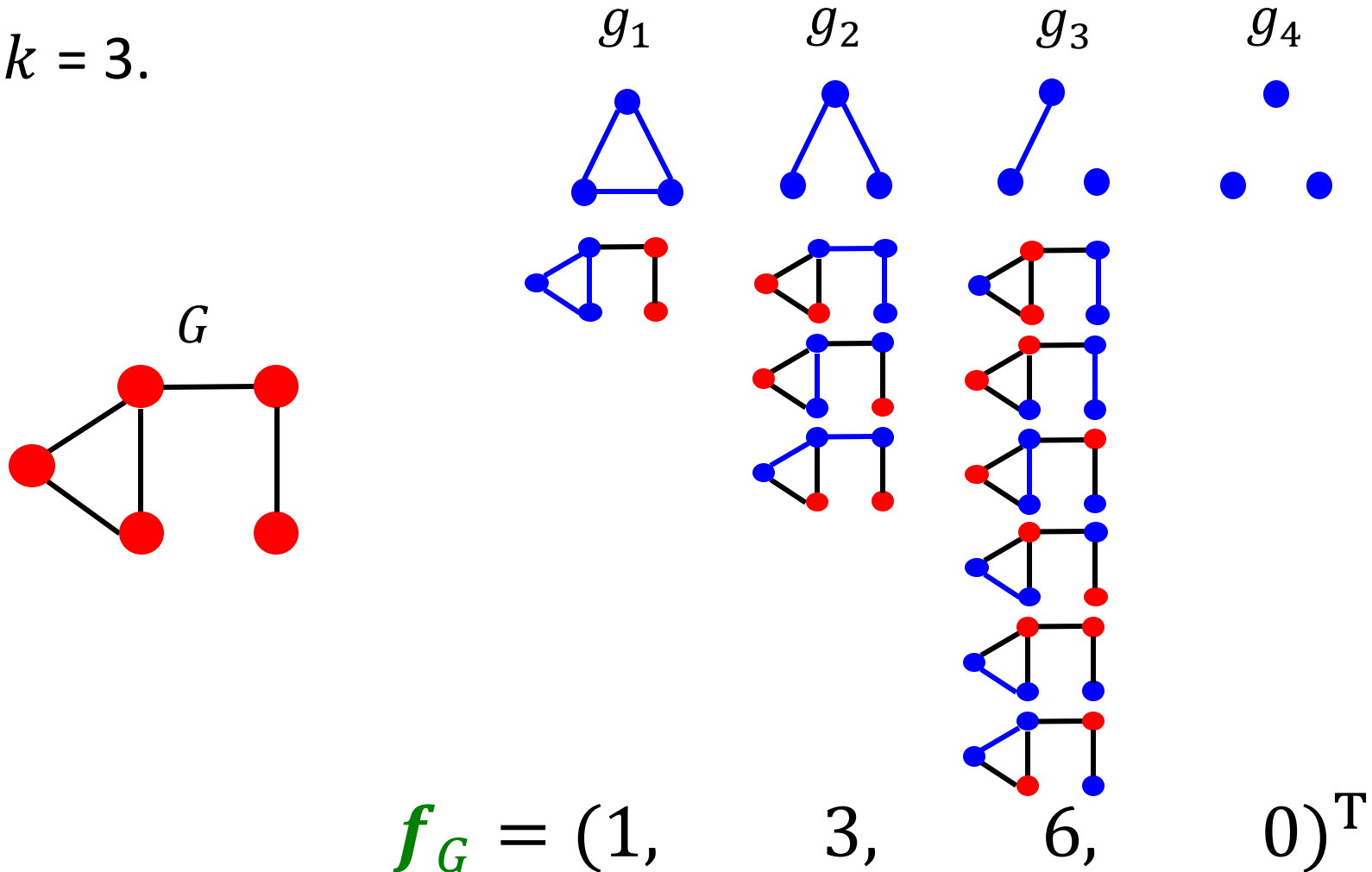
# Graphlet Features (3)

- Given graph  $G$ , and a graphlet list  $\mathcal{G}_k = (g_1, g_2, \dots, g_{n_k})$ , define the graphlet count vector  $\mathbf{f}_G \in \mathbb{R}^{n_k}$  as

$$(\mathbf{f}_G)_i = \#(g_i \subseteq G) \text{ for } i = 1, 2, \dots, n_k.$$

# Graphlet Features (4)

- Example for  $k = 3$ .





# Graph Kernel (1)

- Given two graphs,  $G$  and  $G'$ , graphlet kernel is computed as

$$K(G, G') = \mathbf{f}_G^T \mathbf{f}_{G'}$$

- Problem:** if  $G$  and  $G'$  have different sizes, that will greatly skew the value.
- Solution:** normalize each feature vector

$$\mathbf{h}_G = \frac{\mathbf{f}_G}{\text{Sum}(\mathbf{f}_G)} \quad K(G, G') = \mathbf{h}_G^T \mathbf{h}_{G'}$$

# Graph Kernel (2)

**Limitations:** Counting graphlets is **expensive!**

- Counting size- $k$  graphlets for a graph with size  $n$  by enumeration takes  $n^k$ .
- This is unavoidable in the worst-case since **subgraph isomorphism test** (judging whether a graph is a subgraph of another graph) is **NP-hard**.
- **If a graph's node degree is bounded by  $d$** , an  $O(nd^{k-1})$  algorithm exists to count all the graphlets of size  $k$ .

**Can we design a more efficient graph kernel?**

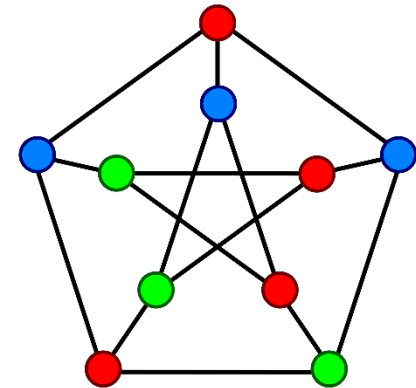
# Weisfeiler-Lehman Kernel

- **Goal:** design an efficient graph feature descriptor  $\phi(G)$
- **Idea:** use neighborhood structure to iteratively enrich node vocabulary.
  - Generalized version of **Bag of node degrees** since node degrees are one-hop neighborhood information.
- **Algorithm to achieve this:**

**Color refinement**

# Color Refinement: Overview

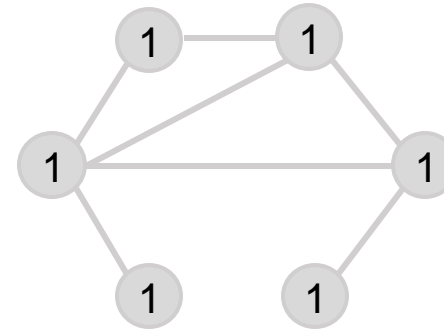
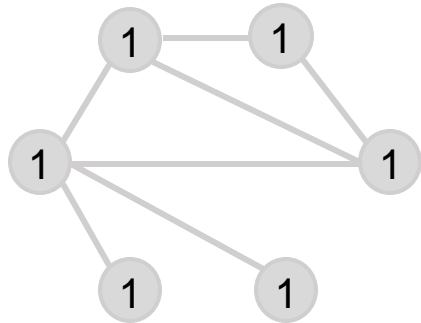
- Coloring is an assignment of labels (called “**colors**”) to elements (e.g. nodes) of a graph.
- **Given:** A graph  $G$  with a set of nodes  $V$ .
  - Assign an initial color  $c^{(0)}(v)$  to each node  $v$ .
  - Iteratively refine node colors by
$$c^{(k+1)}(v) = \text{HASH} \left( \left\{ c^{(k)}(v), \{c^{(k)}(u)\}_{u \in N(v)} \right\} \right),$$
where **HASH** maps different inputs to different colors.
  - After  $K$  steps of color refinement,  $c^{(K)}(v)$  summarizes the structure of  $K$ -hop neighborhood



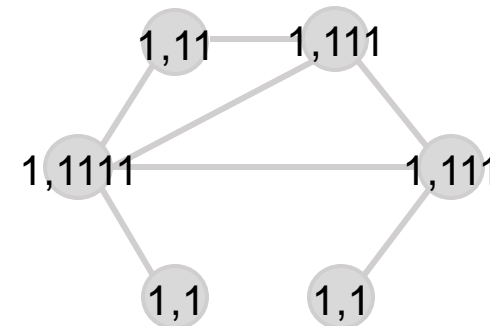
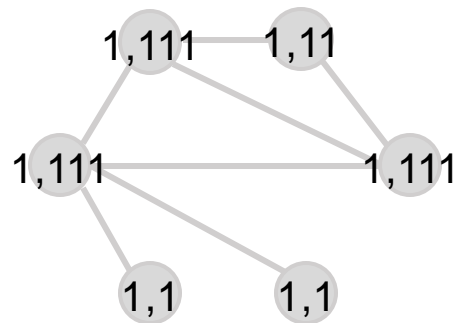
# Color Refinement (1)

## Example of color refinement given two graphs

- Assign initial colors



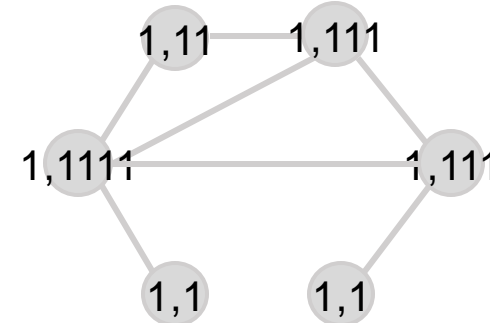
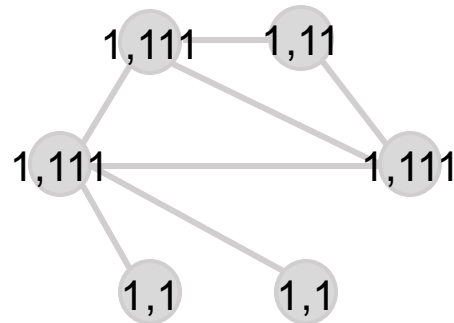
- Aggregate neighboring colors



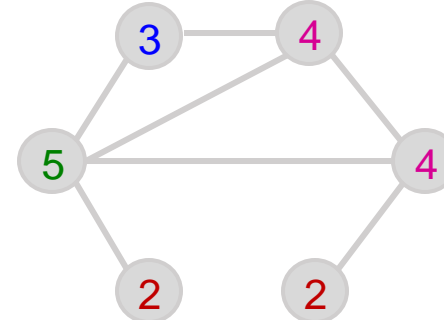
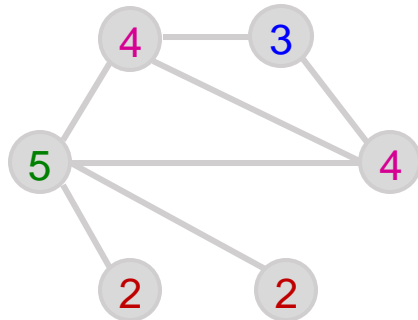
# Color Refinement (2)

## Example of color refinement given two graphs

- Aggregated colors



- Hash aggregated colors



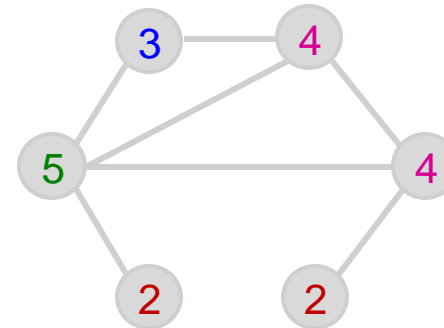
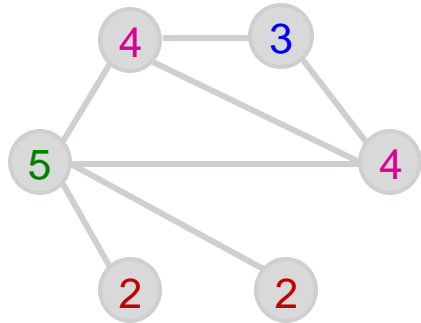
Hash table

1,1	-->	2
1,11	-->	3
1,111	-->	4
1,1111	-->	5

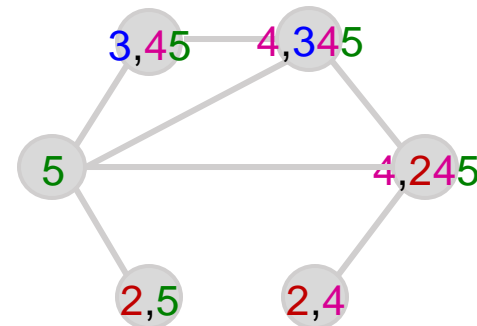
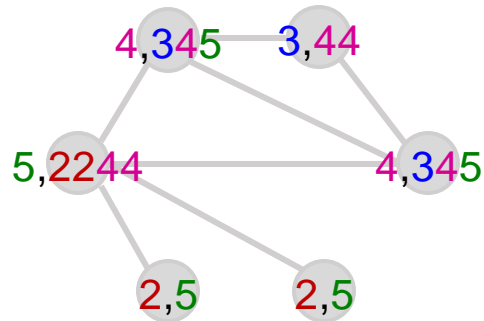
# Color Refinement (3)

## Example of color refinement given two graphs

- Hash aggregated colors



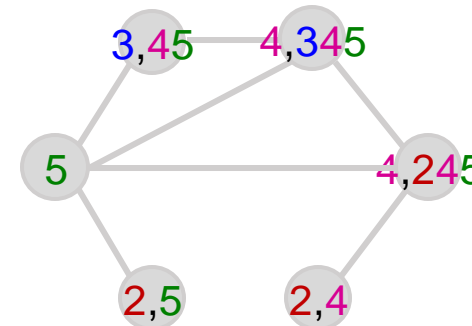
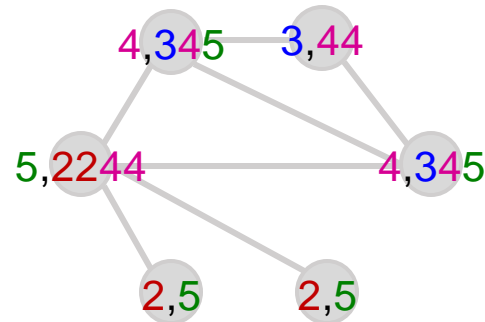
- Aggregated neighboring colors



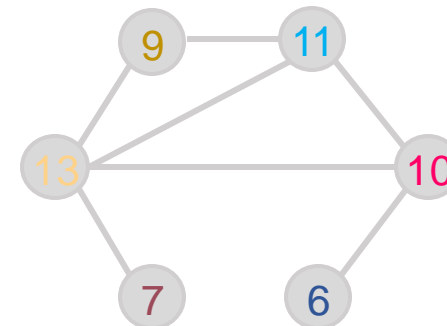
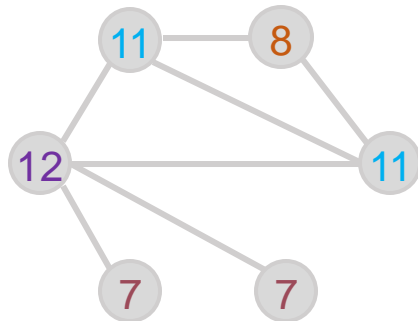
# Color Refinement (4)

## Example of color refinement given two graphs

- Aggregated neighboring colors



- Hash aggregated colors



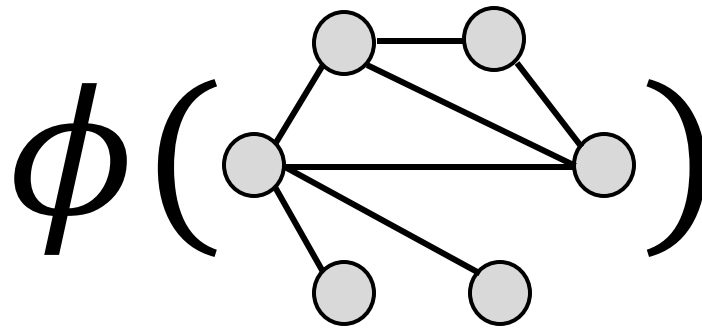
### Hash table

2,4	-->	6
2,5	-->	7
3,44	-->	8
3,45	-->	9
4,245	-->	10
4,345	-->	11
5,2244	-->	12
5,2344	-->	13

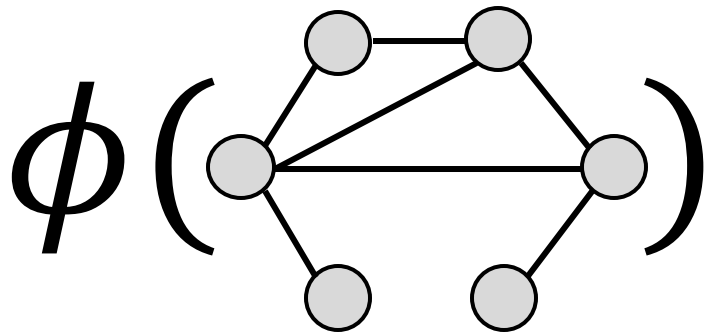


# Weisfeiler-Lehman Graph Features

After color refinement, WL kernel counts number of nodes with a given color.



$$\begin{array}{c} \text{Colors} \\ 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13 \\ = [6, 2, 1, 2, 1, 0, 2, 1, 0, 0, 0, 2, 1] \\ \text{Counts} \end{array}$$



$$\begin{array}{c} 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13 \\ = [6, 2, 1, 2, 1, 1, 1, 0, 1, 1, 1, 0, 1] \end{array}$$

# Weisfeiler-Lehman Kernel (1)

The WL kernel value is computed by the inner product of the color count vectors:

$$\begin{aligned} K(\text{graph}_1, \text{graph}_2) &= \phi(\text{graph}_1)^T \phi(\text{graph}_2) \\ &= 49 \end{aligned}$$

# Weisfeiler-Lehman Kernel (2)

- WL kernel is **computationally efficient**
  - The time complexity for color refinement at each step is linear in  $\#(\text{edges})$ , since it involves aggregating neighboring colors.
- When computing a kernel value, only colors appeared in the two graphs need to be tracked.
  - Thus,  $\#(\text{colors})$  is at most the total number of nodes.
- Counting colors takes linear-time w.r.t.  $\#(\text{nodes})$ .
- In total, time complexity is **linear in  $\#(\text{edges})$** .

# Graph-Level Features Summary

- **Graphlet Kernel**

- Graph is represented as **Bag-of-graphlets**
- **Computationally expensive**

- **Weisfeiler-Lehman Kernel**

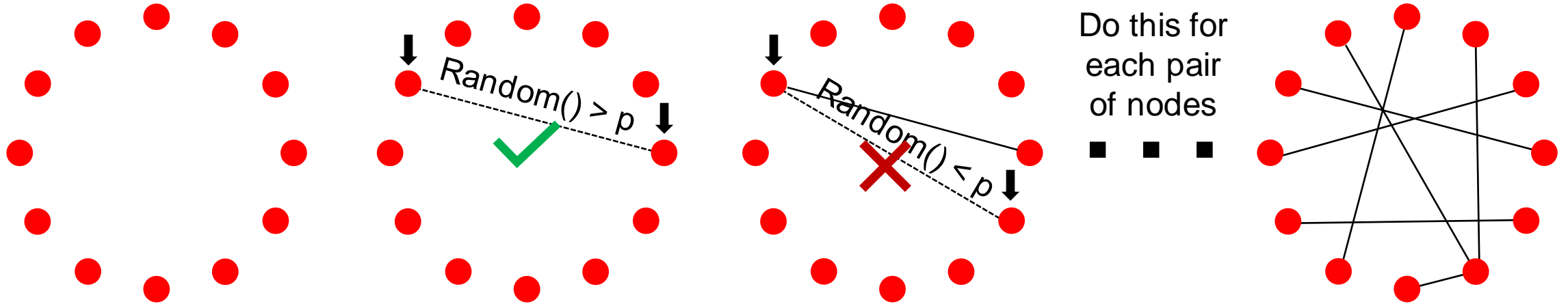
- Apply  $K$ -step color refinement algorithm to enrich node colors
  - Different colors capture different  $K$ -hop neighborhood structures
- Graph is represented as **Bag-of-colors**
- **Computationally efficient**
- Closely related to Graph Neural Networks (as we will see!)

# Task: Graph Generation

- **Goal:** generate graphs that fit some properties of the real graphs.
- **Traditional methods:** generate by randomness based on some **assumptions** on the graph's formulation process.
  - Erdos-Renyi model
  - Watts-Strogatz model (small world model)
  - Barabási-Albert model
  - Kronecker model
  - ...
- **Deep methods:** ...

# Erdos-Renyi Model

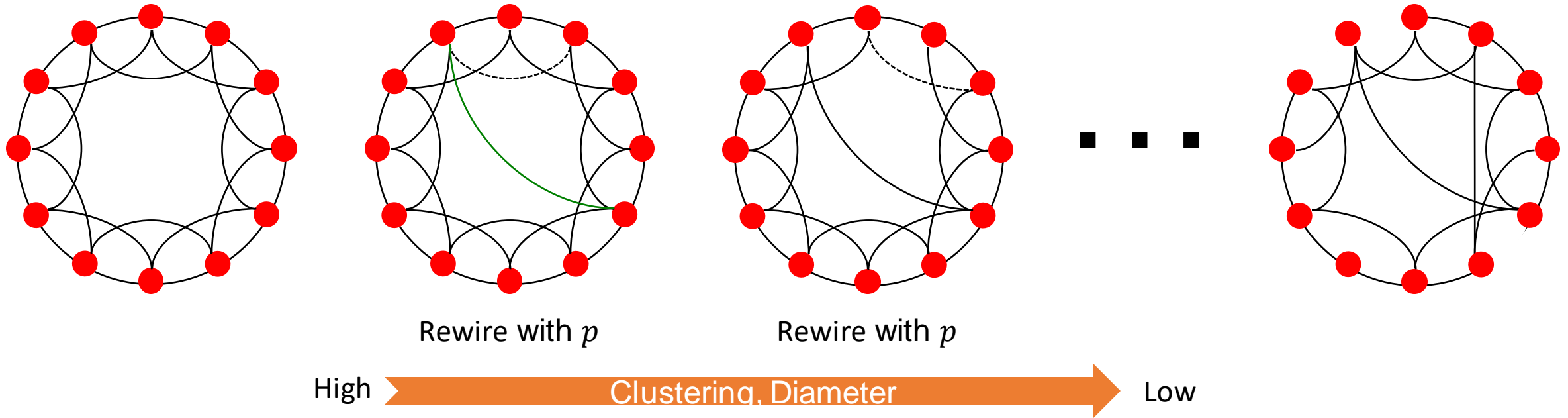
- Two variants
  - $G(n, p)$ : a graph of  $n$  nodes, and each pair of nodes is connected with probability  $p$ .
  - $G(n, m)$ : a graph of  $n$  nodes, and  $m$  edges are randomly placed.
- Example  $G(n, p)$ :



- Does it fit real-world graph?

# Watts-Strogatz Model (Small World Model)

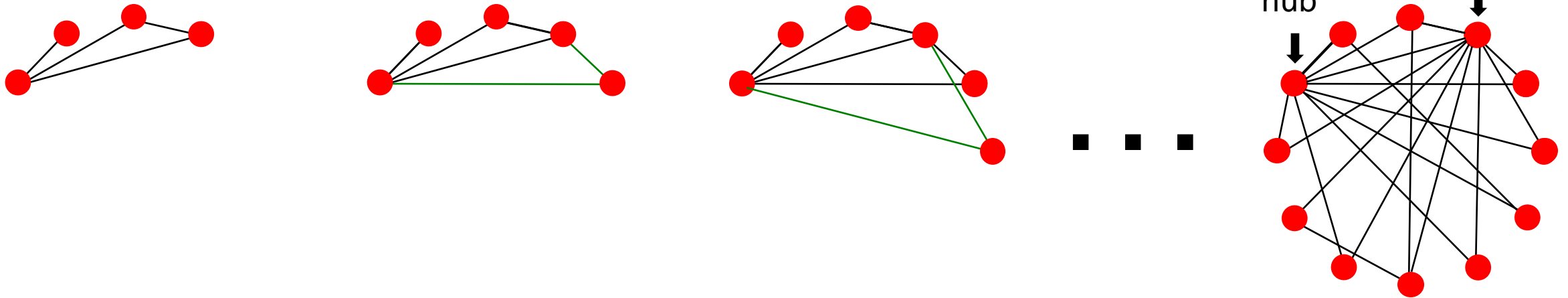
- Small world phenomenon
- The average clustering coefficient of real networks is much higher than expected for a random network of similar  $n$  and  $m$ .



# Barabási-Albert Model

- **Growth:** the number of nodes are increased, not fixed at the beginning.
- **Preferential attachment:** a new node prefers to link the high-degree node.
- Probability of connecting to the node  $i$ :

$$\pi(i) = \frac{k_i}{\sum_j k_j}$$



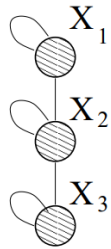


# Kronecker Graph Model

- Recursively construct a graph by **Kronecker product ( $\otimes$ )**.

$$\mathbf{A} \otimes \mathbf{B} = \begin{pmatrix} a_{11}\mathbf{B} & \cdots & a_{1m}\mathbf{B} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{n1}\mathbf{B} & \cdots & a_{nm}\mathbf{B} \end{pmatrix}$$

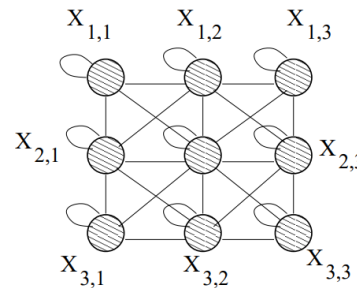
Graph



Adjacency  
Matrix

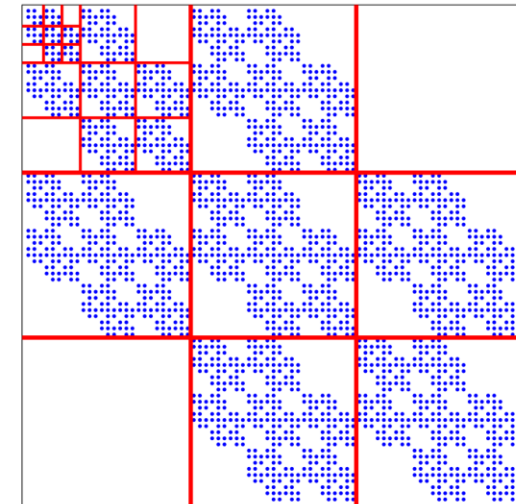
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1	1	1
0	1	1

$K_1$



$K_1$	$K_1$	0
$K_1$	$K_1$	$K_1$
0	$K_1$	$K_1$

$K_2 = K_1 \otimes K_1$



$K_n = K_1 \otimes K_1 \otimes \dots \otimes K_1$

(Leskovec et al., 2010)

# Today's Summary

- **Traditional ML Pipeline**

- Hand-crafted feature + ML model

- **Hand-crafted features for graph data**

- **Node-level:**

- Node degree, centrality, clustering coefficient, graphlets

- **Link-level:**

- Distance-based feature
- local/global neighborhood overlap

- **Graph-level:**

- Graphlet kernel, WL kernel

In traditional ML, node-level features can only be used for node-level tasks  
(we will alleviate in the future lectures)

- **Graph Generation**