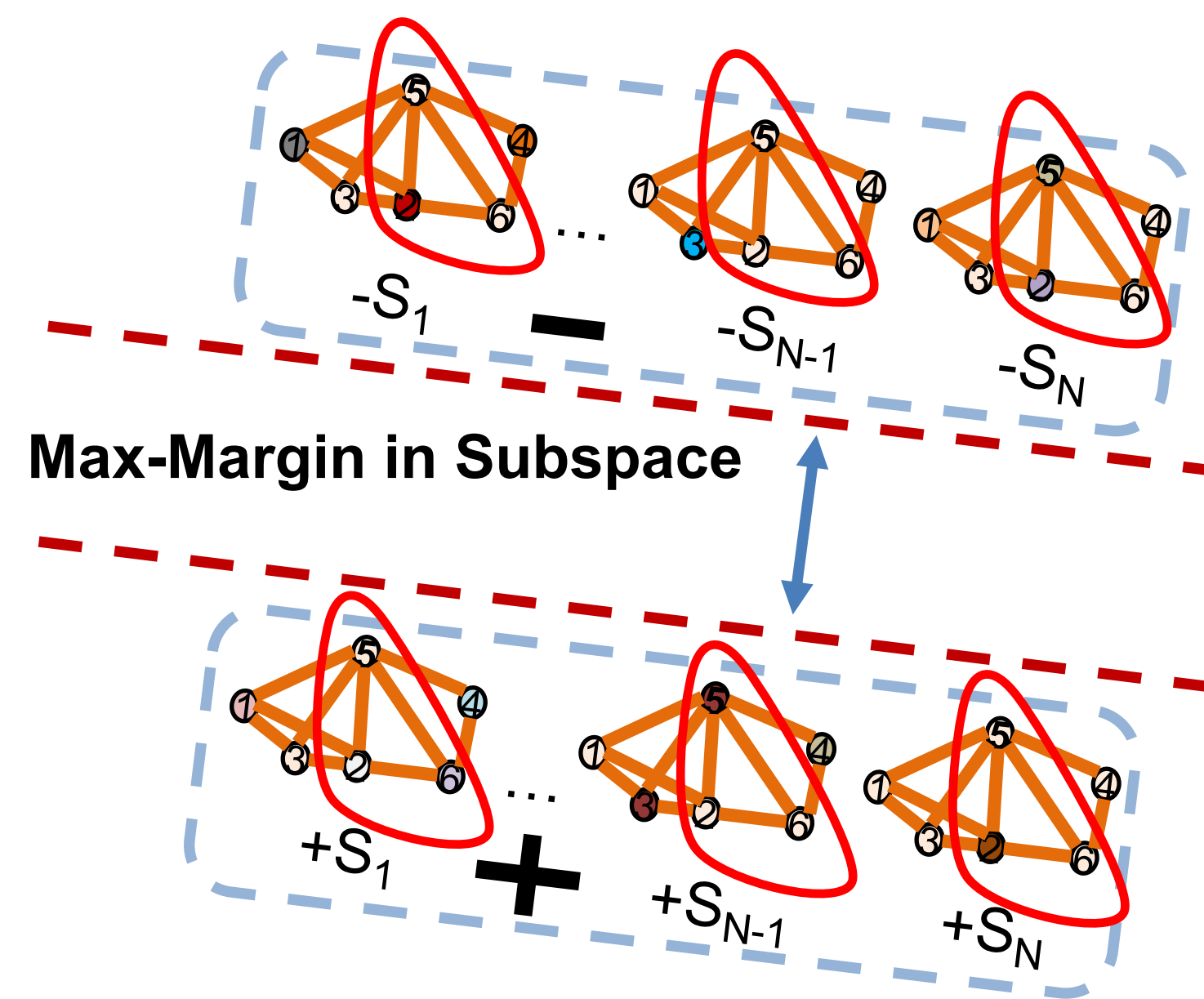


DSL: Discriminative Subgraph Learning via Sparse Self-Representation

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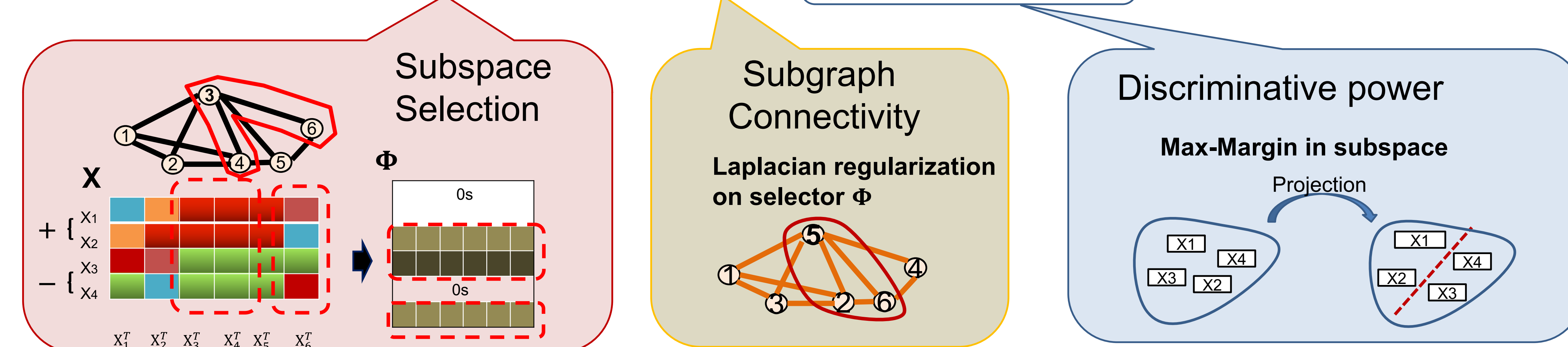
Problem Setting: Network Data Classification and Feature Selection

- Features are **nodes** in a fixed network
- **Network instance** comprised of values of nodes
- Global **instance label** represents the state of the instance
- **Goal**: Learn a discriminative connected subgraph subspace
- Applications:
 - Neuroscience: brain subnetworks which differentiate stages of a disease (e.g. Alzheimer's)
 - Gene expression: pathways in protein-protein interaction (PPI) networks altered by a disease
 - Road transportation: Subnetworks behaving most differently on weekends versus weekdays



Model: Connectivity, discriminative power and sparsity

Objective:
$$\argmin_{\Phi, \mathbf{w}, b} \left\{ \|\mathbf{X}^T - \mathbf{X}^T \Phi\|_F^2 + \lambda_1 \|\Phi\|_{2,1} + \lambda_2 \text{tr}(\Phi^T \mathbf{L} \Phi) + \pi \left\{ \|\mathbf{w}\|_f + C \sum_i \ell(y_i, \mathbf{w}^T \hat{\mathbf{x}}_i + b) \right\} \right\}$$



Contributions

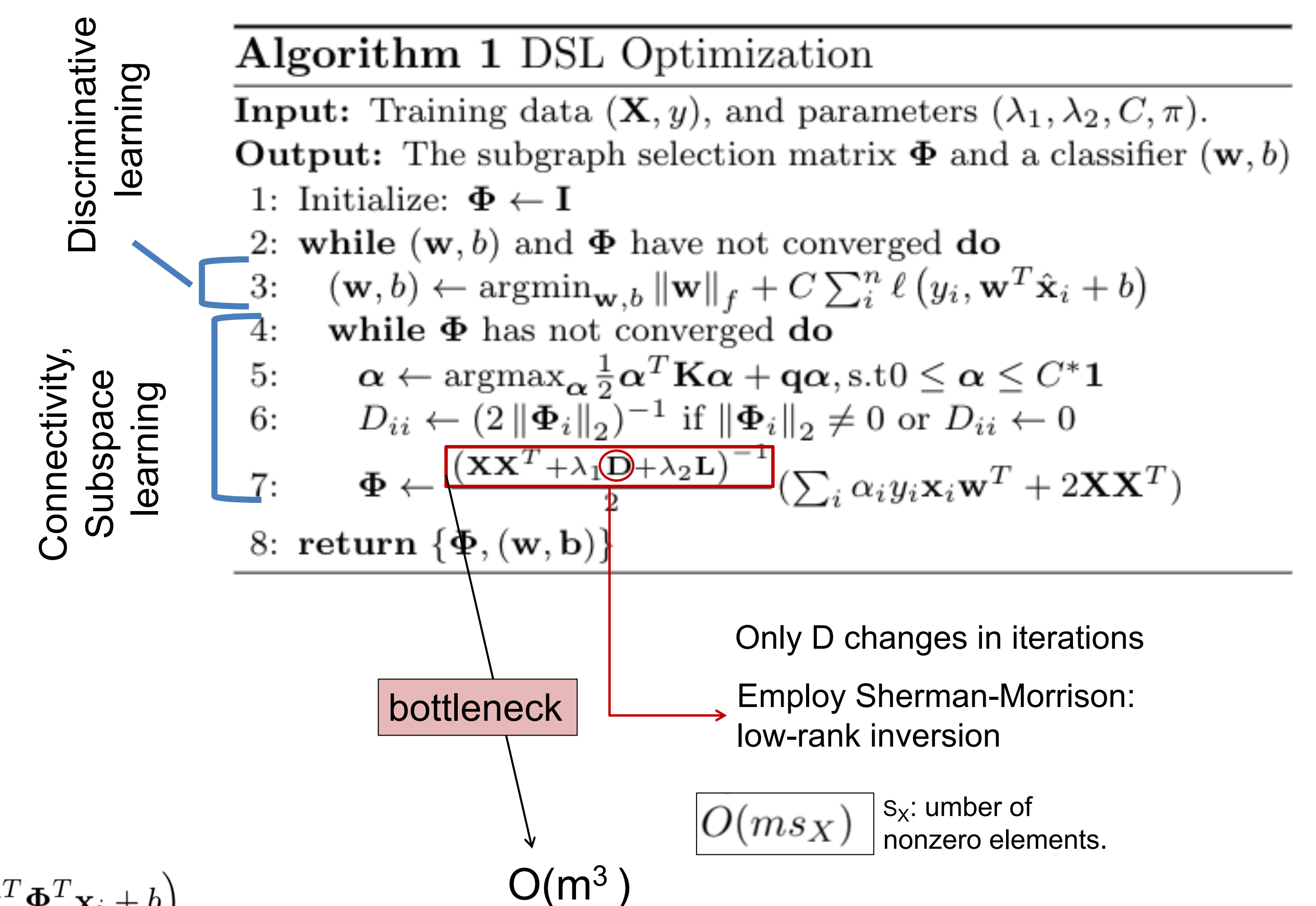
- **Unified framework for network data classification and feature selection**
 - sparsity : predict with small-size subgraphs
 - connectivity : features form connected subgraphs, interpretable
 - discriminative power
- **High quality**: both on subgraph detection and instance classification

Solution Outline

- Alternating Optimization scheme to solve the DSL model
 - Split into two subproblems
 - Alternate between optimizing them in turn
- Split:
 - 1: Discriminative learning
 - 2: Connected subspace selection

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$$\argmin_{\mathbf{w}, b} \|\mathbf{w}\|_f + C \sum_i \ell(y_i, \mathbf{w}^T \hat{\mathbf{x}}_i + b)$$

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$$\argmin_{\Phi} \left\{ \|\mathbf{X}^T - \mathbf{X}^T \Phi\|_F^2 + \lambda_1 \|\Phi\|_{2,1} + \lambda_2 \text{tr}(\Phi^T \mathbf{L} \Phi) + C^* \sum_i \ell(y_i, \mathbf{w}^T \Phi^T \mathbf{x}_i + b) \right\}$$



Results from Experimental Evaluation

- **Multiple datasets**: PPI, Transportation, Communications, Brain
- **Metrics**
 - Instance classification accuracy
 - Selection of known relevant subgraphs (GT) when available
- **Comparisons**: DSL (L1/L2), DIPS state-of-the-art for network data, other feature selectors (FSASL, UDFS)

