Aggregation Functions in GNNs

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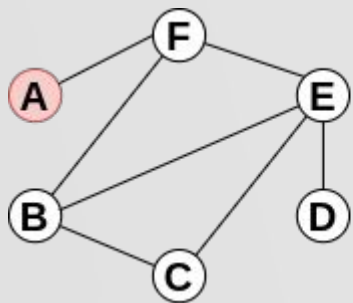The neighbour of a node defines its computation graph

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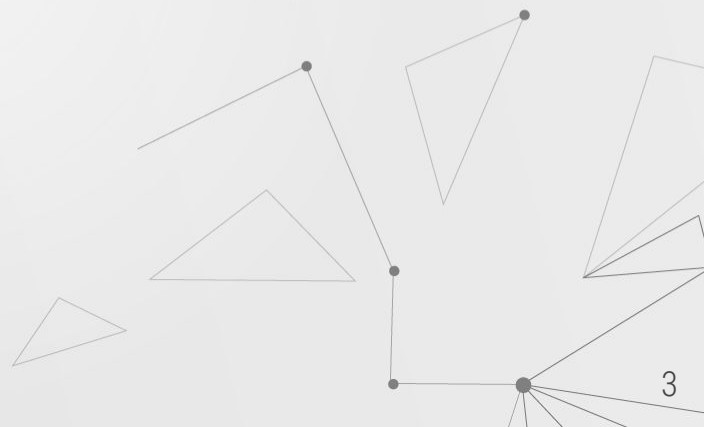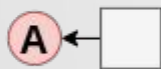
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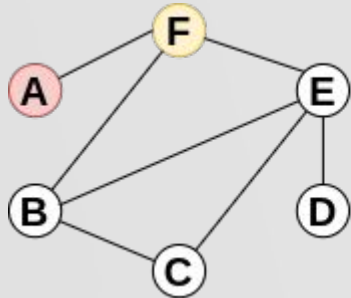
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Neural Networks

Permutation invariant
Aggregation

Sum
Average
Max

01 Recap

GCN   mean

GraphSage   max, mean, LSTM

GAT   sum

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Solution: Weisfeiler-Lehman isomorphism test[1]

[1] Weisfeiler and Lehman. *A reduction of a graph to a canonical form and an algebra arising during this reduction.* Nauchno-Technicheskaya Informatsia, 1968.

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- Efficient heuristic
- Isomorphic graphs -> same labels
- Nodes are uniquely coloured
- Distinguish most graphs

But… limited use in practice

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GIN – Graph Isomorphism Network[2]

[2]Xu et al., *How powerful are graph neural networks?*, International Conference on Learning Representations, 2019

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Cons of sum-decomposition:
- Highly discontinuous functions
- For uncountable domains, latent dimension of f should be higher than the number of elements in the set[4]
- No guarantee to find the right function

[4]Wagstaff et al., *On the limitations of representing functions on sets*, Proceedings of the 36th International Conference on Machine Learning, 2019

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$$\begin{bmatrix} mean \\ max \\ min \\ std \end{bmatrix}$$

multiple aggregators   scalers $\begin{bmatrix} identity \\ amplification \\ attenuation \end{bmatrix}$ MLP

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Logarithmic scalers

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$$S = \left(\frac{\log(d + 1)}{\delta} \right)^{\alpha}$$

$$\delta = \frac{1}{|train|} \sum_{i \in train} \log(d_i + 1)$$

$$S_{amp}, \alpha = 1 \qquad S_{att}, \alpha = -1 \qquad S_{identity}$$

06 Learning Aggregation Functions[6]

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MAX, MIN, SUM, MEAN, MOMENTS, MIN/MAX, COUNT ...

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To next layer

$$LAF(\{x_1, x_2, \ldots, x_N\}) \in \mathbb{R}^{dr}$$

LAF_1 ○ ○ ○ ○ LAF_2 ○ ○ ○ ○ ········ LAF_r ○ ○ ○ ○

x_1 ○ ○ ○ ○

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$x_i \in \mathbb{R}^d$

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