# **IE 671 Web Mining Project Presentation**



Team 7: Paper Importance Prediction

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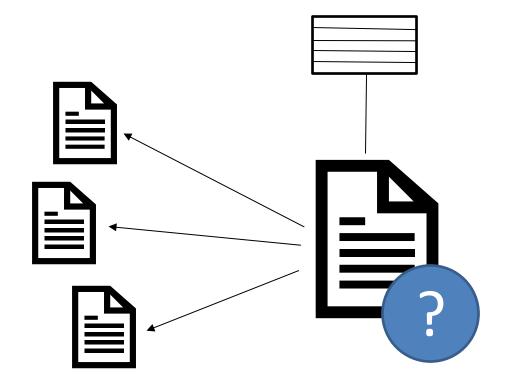
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### Introduction



#### Task:



#### **Questions:**

- 1. Can ML methods predict future importance of scientific papers?
- 2. Which models are best suited for this task?
- 3. How do GNN models perform compared to the classical approaches?

## **Data and Preprocessing**

#### **Data Description**



- ☐ Dataset provided by Stanford Network Analysis Platform (SNAP)
- 27770 scientific papers, each having a submission date and can cite other paper from the past
- ☐ Submission dates ranging from 1993 to 2003





Each paper is a node and each citation is a directed edge

Nodes: 27770 Edges: 352807 Meta information related to each paper

Submission date, Submitter, comments, abstract, title and journal reference

## **Data and Preprocessing**

#### **Feature Generation**





#### **Network Data**

- The graph was created using the text files provided.
- Calculated the in- and out-degrees of papers cited by the paper in question
- Some Features needed to be calculated with respect to time as future data should not influence the analysis



#### Metadata

- Used Regex to clean all text inconsistencies.
- Submitter name and email id is extracted from the submitter attribute
- From submission date, the first submission date and the number of revision was also computed.
- Number of pages and format of paper was derived using the comments feature
- Citations each submitter has received up to the date they publish a new paper is computed using the submitter details and citations data

## **Data and Preprocessing**

### **Target Variable Generation**

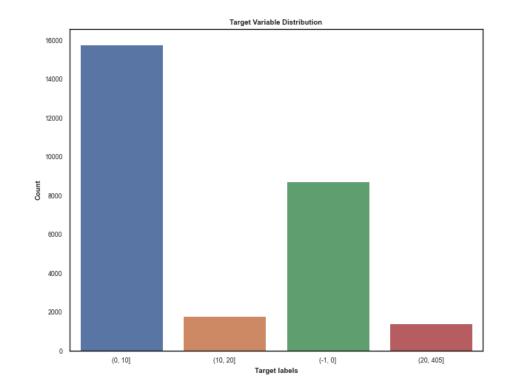


We look at variety of targets for the number of citations

Complication of highly unbalanced frequency distribution in case of 2 years

The number of citations a each paper would receive in the first year of its publication

Binned into 4 groups as the citations were too skewed



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### **Classical Models**



Standard data mining toolset - scikit-learn pipeline with:

- Standard scaler
- Feature selection based on ANOVA Fvalues (sklearn.feature\_selection.SelectKBest)
- 5-fold cross-validation for hyperparameter tuning
- Class weights as inverse proportion of class sizes

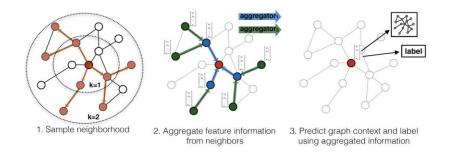
#### **Applied models:**

- Naive Bayes
- Multi-Layer Perceptron
- Decision Tree
- Random Forest
- Gradient Boosting
- Support Vector Machine

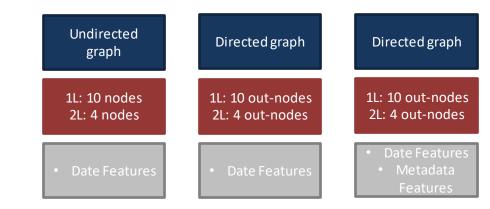
#### **GNN**



- Inductive learning
- Architecture: Graph Sage
  - 2 Graph Sage layers
    - 32 neurons
  - 2 Mean aggregator layers
  - 1 Dense layer (SoftMax)
    - 4 neurons



3 Model Configurations



- Training
  - Learning rate: 0.0001
  - 100 Epochs
  - Batch size: 50
  - Adam optimizer

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### **Evaluation**



- Test sets: papers submitted in the end of dataset's timeline
- Metric: macro average F1 score (imbalanced multiclass target)
- Baseline: majority class (1-10 citations in the first year = 53% of the test set, Macro avg F1 of 0.17)
- Result: GNN outperformed when using directed graph as input (0.49)

Classifiers	F1 <i>C0</i>	F1 <i>C1</i>	F1 <i>C2</i>	F1 <i>C3</i>	F1 Macro Avg
Multi-Layer Perceptron	0.39	0.77	0.00	0.27	0.36
DECISION TREE	0.42	0.64	0.18	0.15	0.34
Gradient Boosting	0.37	0.74	0.06	0.10	0.32
RANDOM FOREST	0.24	0.76	0.0	0.0	0.25
SUPPORT VECTOR MACHINE	0.26	0.71	0.09	0.13	0.30
Naïve Bayes	0.50	0.67	0.16	0.28	0.40
GraphSageU (date)	0.00	0.69	0.00	0.00	0.17
GraphSageD (date)	0.99	0.66	0.11	0.22	0.49
GRAPHSAGED (DATE+META)	0.91	0.59	0.14	0.26	0.48

# **Evaluation** (+ Findings)



- Metadata did not improve the GNN (0.48-0.49)
- Undirected GNN predicted only the majority class for every paper
- All other models outperformed the baseline of 0.17
- Naïve Bayes performed best among classical approaches (0.40)

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### **Conclusion**



- 1. Paper Importance Prediction with ML methods possible
- 2. & 3. Directed GNNs best suited and better than classical ML methods

#### **Future Direction:**

- Use author(s) based features instead of submitter based features
- Use word embeddings from title and abstract
- Further feature generation



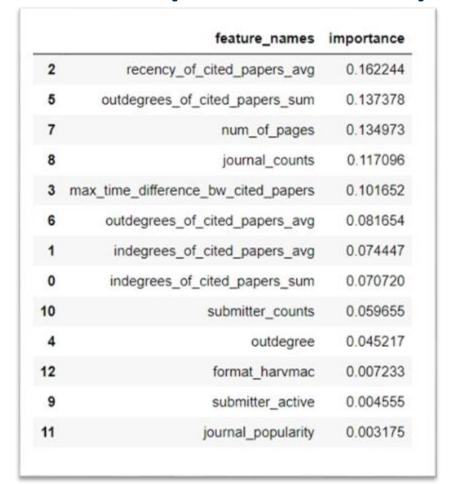
# Thank you for your attention!

Questions?



# **Appendix**

## Feature importance examples







importance	feature_names	
0.294121	outdegrees_of_cited_papers_sum	4
0.164771	max_time_difference_bw_cited_papers	2
0.121482	indegrees_of_cited_papers_avg	1
0.120719	outdegrees_of_cited_papers_avg	5
0.095406	indegrees_of_cited_papers_sum	0
0.083422	submitter_counts	7
0.071098	outdegree	3
0.025259	journal_popularity	В
0.020885	format_harvmac	9
0.002836	submitter_active	6

**Gradient Boosting Classifier** 

# **Hyperparameter optimization**



Classifier	Parameters optimized	Best parameter
Naive Bayes	Var_smoothing	1
Multi-Layer Perceptron	hidden_layer_sizes	6 (one hidden layer, 6 neurons)
<b>Decision Tree Classifier</b>	min_samples_split	5
	criterion	mse
	max_depth	7
	feature_selection_k	all
Random Forest Classifier	min_samples_leaf	5
	n_estimators	150
	max_depth	None
	criterion	entropy
	feature_selection_k	10

# **Hyperparameter optimization**



Classifier	Parameters optimized	Best parameter
<b>Gradient Boosting Classifier</b>	min_samples_leaf	5
	max_depth	7
	criterion	mse
	feature_selection_k	10
<b>Support Vector Machine</b>	loss	hinge
	feature_selection_k	10

# **Detailed descriptions of all variables**

variable	description
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paper_id	Unique identifier of the
	paper
indegrees_of_cited_papers_sum	Sum of indegrees of papers
	cited by the paper in focus
indegrees_of_cited_papers_avg	Average of indegrees of
	papers cited by the paper
	in focus
recency_of_cited_papers_avg	Average recency of papers
	cited by the paper in focus
	(days?)
max_time_difference_bw_cited_papers	Maximum time difference
	between dates of
	publication of the cited
	papers
Outdegree	Outdegree of the paper in
	focus
outdegrees_of_cited_papers_sum	Sum of outdegrees of
	papers cited by the paper
	in focus
outdegrees_of_cited_papers_avg	Average of outdegrees of
	papers cited by the paper
	in focus
Submitter	The email id and Name of
	the submitter
submission date	The date of submission of
_	the paper and revision
	dates (if the paper is
	revised)
Title	Title of the paper
Authors	Authors of the paper
Comments	General comments
	regarding the paper like
	number of pages, format,
	number of figures etc.
report no	Metadata
journal_ref	Metadata
Abstract	A paragraph to summarise
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submitter_name	Cleaned Name of
	submitter (if available)
Submitter_details	Cleaned unique identifier
	for each submitter (Mostly
	email, but if email is NA,
	then we take the name)
is_revised	Whether the paper was
	revised or not
times_revised	If revised, the number of
	times a paper was revised
first_submission_datetime	The first submission date
	with time
first_submission_date	The first submission date
num_of_pages	Number of pages of the
	paper (derived from
	comments)
Format	Format of the paper
	(derived from the
	comments)
journal_counts	Showing the number of
	times a particular journal
	occurs in the data
first_365_days	Numeric target variable
label	Target variable as category
label_name	Category description
submitter_counts	Number of papers
	submitted by the submitter
submitter_active	Submitter activity marker.
	1 if submitter has
	submitted 5 or more
	papers, 0 if 4 or less
journal_popularity	Journal popularity marker.
	1 if there are 13 or more
	papers in the database
	published in this journal, 0
	if 12 or less
format_latex	Marker showing whether
	the paper was submitted in
	latex format. 1 if yes, 0 if
	no



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format_revtex	Marker showing whether
	the paper was submitted in
	revtex format. 1 if yes, 0 if
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	the paper was submitted in
	harvmac format. 1 if yes, 0
	if no
format_plaintex	Marker showing whether
	the paper was submitted in
	plaintex format. 1 if yes, 0
	if no
datedelta	Number of days passed
	between the paper being
	added to graph and the
	date of first publication.
	Note: multiple outliers
	exist.
Citations_till_date	For each submitter, the
	citations s/he has received
	till the date s/he publishes
	a new paper. (based on
	date added graph)