



# Research and Analysis on Graph Pooling

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# Pooling layer in CNN

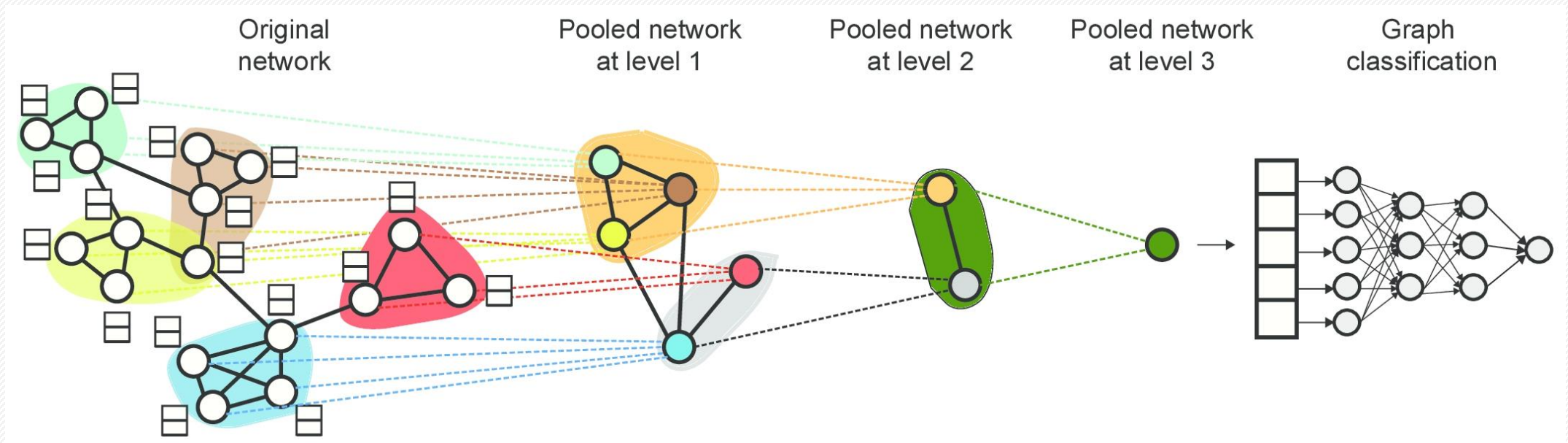
- Function:
- (1) Retaining the main features while reducing parameters (lowering latitude, similar to PCA) and calculations to prevent overfitting
- (2) Invariance, this invariance includes translation, rotation, scale?
- ——> Preserve the graph structure

降维

feature integration.

# Pooling

Schematic diagram



# Notations:

- $G = \{E, V\}$ ,
- $V = \{v_1, \dots, v_N\}$  is the set of  $N$  nodes
- $E$  is the set of edges.
- Adjacency matrix  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{N \times N}$ .
- Node feature matrix  $X \in \mathbb{R}^{N \times d}$ ,  $d$  is the dimension of features.
- Node embedding matrix  $Z \in \mathbb{R}^{N \times d}$

层次化结构描述.

## DiffPool

- Assignment matrix  $S^{(l)} \in \mathbb{R}^{n_l \times n_{l+1}}$

Embedding

$$Z^{(l)} = \text{GNN}_{l, \text{embed}}(A^{(l)}, X^{(l)}),$$

$$S^{(l)} = \text{softmax}(\text{GNN}_{l, \text{pool}}(A^{(l)}, X^{(l)})),$$

- Note that these two GNNs consume the same input data but have distinct parameterizations and play separate roles.
- Computational performance:

Storage complexity:  $O(k|V|^2)$   $d$

Time complexity:  $O(k|V|^3)$  where  $V$  and  $k$  denote vertices and pooling ratio

$$n \cdot n_v \cdot d$$

$$X^{(l+1)} = S^{(l)T} Z^{(l)} \in \mathbb{R}^{n_{l+1} \times d},$$

$$A^{(l+1)} = S^{(l)T} A^{(l)} S^{(l)} \in \mathbb{R}^{n_{l+1} \times n_{l+1}}.$$

缩小比例

$$N \rightarrow kN$$

# DiffPool

- Pros:

- (a) It can generate hierarchical representations of graphs.

- (b) It can be combined with various graph neural network architectures in an end-to-end fashion.

- Cons:

- (a) The number of clusters has to be chosen in advance, which might cause performance issues when used on datasets with different graph sizes.

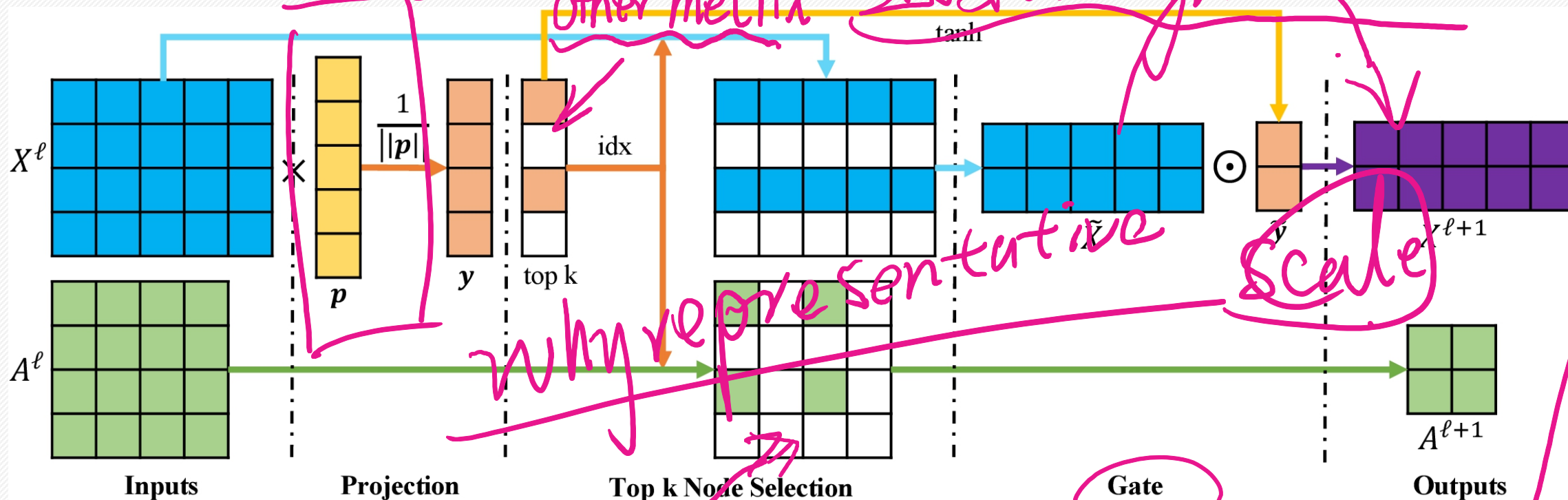
- (b) Since cluster assignment is based only on node features, nodes are assigned to the same cluster based on their features, ignoring distances.

- (c) The cluster assignment matrix is dense and the complexity is large.

$N$  每个点到下一层  
某个簇的概率

# TopKPool

- Schematic diagram



1.  $\text{top } k$
2.  $\text{top weight}$
3. stand for deleted nodes

self attention

4. plot

# TopKPool

- Pros:

(a) Sparse, the computational complexity is reduced to  $O(|E|)$ . Storage complexity:  $O(|V|+|E|)$  where  $V$ ,  $E$ , and  $k$  denote vertices, edges, and pooling ratio, respectively

(b) Variable in graph size.

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- Cons:

(a) Adding nodes to a graph can change the pooling result of the whole graph.  
(locally dependent)

(b) Whole areas of a graph might see no node chosen, which causes loss of information.



# SAGPool

- A variant of TopKPool, SAGPool no longer uses only node features to compute node scores but uses graph convolutions to take neighbouring node features into account.
- The self-attention score  $Z \in \mathbb{R}^{N \times 1}$  is calculated as follows:

$$Z = \sigma(\tilde{D}^{-\frac{1}{2}} \tilde{A} \tilde{D}^{-\frac{1}{2}} X \Theta_{att})$$

1. 两种方法的区别

- The top  $k \cdot N$  nodes are selected based on the value of  $Z$ .

$$\text{idx} = \text{top-rank}(Z, \lceil kN \rceil), \quad Z_{mask} = Z_{\text{idx}}$$

# SAGPool

- Pros:

- (a) Sparse, the same complexity

- (b) It can be both H architecture and G architecture. Therefore, it can be used to learn both many vertexes and few vertexes graph.

- Cons:

- (a) Adding nodes to a graph can change the pooling result of the whole graph. (locally dependent)

- (b) Cannot parameterize the pooling ratios to find optimal values for each graph.

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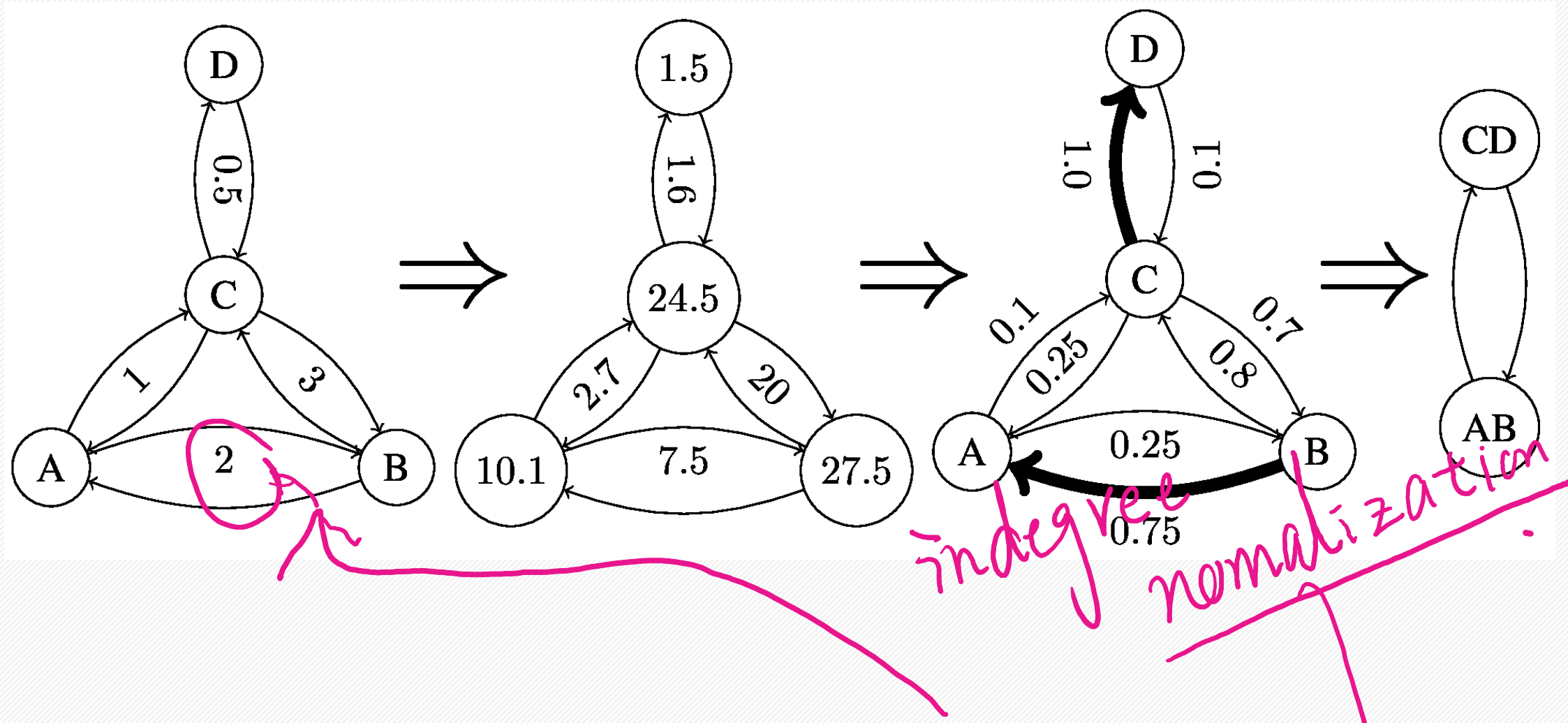
→ feature

k, ratios different

importance threshold

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# EdgePool



# EdgePool

- Based on edge contraction
- 1) Choosing edges. For an edge from node  $i$  to node  $j$ , we compute the raw score  $r$  as

$$r(e_{ij}) = W \cdot (n_i || n_j) + b,$$

- Where  $n_i$  and  $n_j$  are the node features and  $W$  and  $b$  are learned parameters.

- 2) Computing new node features:

$$\hat{n}_{ij} = s_{ij} (n_i + n_j)$$

- 3) Integrating edge features:

$$r(e_{ij}) = W \cdot (n_i || n_j || \underline{f_{ij}}) + b.$$

→ softmax norm



# EdgePool

- Pros:
  - (a) Both runtime and memory scales linearly in the number of edges.
  - (b) Locally independent: As long as the node scores of two nodes  $n_i$  and  $n_j$  and of their neighbours do not change (by changing nodes within the receptive fields), the choice of edge  $e_{ij}$  will not change.
- Cons:
  - (a) Fixed pooling ratio. (50%)

# EigenPool

- 1) Graph Coarsening: we adopt spectral clustering to obtain the subgraphs.
- 2) Transform the original graph signal information into the graph signal defined on the coarsened graph:
- Based on local graph Fourier transform
- Define the smoothness:

$$s(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{L} \mathbf{x} = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i,j}^N A[i,j] (\mathbf{x}[i] - \mathbf{x}[j])^2.$$

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- Too much math, so omit



# EigenPool

- Pros:
  - (a) Can extract subgraph information utilizing both node features and structure of the subgraph.
- Cons:
  - (a) Code not available.
  - (b) Locally dependent.



THANKS!

