KLCE loss and Graph Information Bottleneck (GIB) on Network Datasets For Class Imbalance

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Abstract

This report examines the effectiveness of KLCE (Kullback-Leibler Cross-Entropy) regularization loss in improving node classification accuracy in graph neural networks (GNNs), with a particular focus on addressing class imbalance in datasets. The study implements the KLCE approach described in the paper *"KLCE: Regularized Imbalance Node-Classification via KL-Divergence and Cross-Entropy,"* published as a Tiny Paper at ICLR 2024.

The evaluation was conducted on three benchmark datasets commonly used in GNN research: Cora, PubMed, and CiteSeer. Compared to models relying on traditional log loss, KLCE consistently delivered better results, particularly for underrepresented classes. Experiments on synthetic imbalanced datasets further demonstrated its effectiveness across various scenarios. The KLCE approach demonstrated notable improvements in evaluation metrics, ranging from 0.9% to 29% increases in performance, with the gains becoming more noticeable as the level of class imbalance increased. Through careful hyperparameter tuning and adjustments, this implementation achieved results that exceeded those reported in the original paper.

The report also explores the use of a regularized loss function based on information bottleneck (IB) theory, as introduced in the *"Graph Information Bottleneck"* paper (NeurIPS 2020). Applied to the PubMed dataset, this method aims to optimize node representations by preserving information critical for classification while filtering out irrelevant details, showcasing its potential for advancing node classification tasks. The GIB-based loss function demonstrated its potential in node classification tasks by significantly improving balanced accuracy by 10%.

1 Introduction

Class imbalance presents a significant challenge in machine learning, often leading to biased models that favor majority classes and exhibit suboptimal performance on minority classes. This issue is particularly prominent in node classification tasks involving graph-structured data. While Graph Neural Networks (GNNs) have demonstrated great potential for learning from such data, their performance can be hindered by class imbalance. This project investigates the use of KLCE (Kullback-Leibler Cross-Entropy) regularization loss, a novel approach introduced in the ICLR 2024 paper *KLCE: Regularized Imbalance Node-Classification via KL-Divergence and Cross-Entropy*, and GIB as introduced in the *Graph Information Bottleneck* paper (NeurIPS 2020) to address this challenge.

[*]This work is an independent implementation based on the description provided in publicly available papers

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1.1 Class Imbalance in Machine Learning

Class imbalance occurs when the distribution of instances across different classes is highly skewed, leading to a disproportionate representation of one or more classes over others. Traditional machine learning algorithms often optimize for overall accuracy, which results in a bias toward the majority class. This bias negatively impacts the model's performance on minority class instances, which is critical in tasks with rare positive classes like fraud detection, where fraudulent cases are rare. In these scenarios, models trained on imbalanced datasets may fail to effectively detect anomalies.

1.2 Graph Neural Networks for Node Classification

Graph Neural Networks (GNNs) are designed to process graph-structured data, where nodes represent entities, and edges denote relationships between them. In node classification tasks, GNNs predict the class label of each node based on both its features and the graph structure.

Key Characteristics of Graphs:

- **Topological Structure:** Graphs consist of nodes and edges, where edges represent relationships (e.g., social connections, citation links).
- **Node and Edge Attributes:** Nodes and edges may have features, such as text, numerical values, or categorical data, enriching the graph's representation.
- **Directed vs. Undirected:** Directed edges (e.g., follower relationships) or undirected edges (e.g., collaboration networks) define different types of interactions.
- **Graph Dynamics:** Some graphs evolve over time, influencing tasks like social network analysis or event prediction.

Applications of GNNs:

- **Social Network Analysis:** GNNs help identify influential users, predict community structures, and detect fraud by analyzing connections between users [5].
- **Citation Networks:** GNNs classify scientific papers based on citation patterns, aiding in the organization and discovery of research topics [1].
- **Biological Networks:** In genomics and proteomics, GNNs predict protein interactions and gene-disease associations, supporting medical research [?]. [3].
- Research was presented at the DF/HCC Breast Cancer Program Research Retreat and the MIE Research Expo in October 2024, focusing on addressing the challenge of class imbalance in Graph Neural Networks (GNNs) applied to proteomics. The implementation of Binary Cross Entropy with logits significantly improved model performance, while identifying scope for further advancements through alternative

methodologies. This work established a strong foundation for addressing class imbalance in future research.
- **Recommendation Systems:** GNNs model user-item interactions to provide personalized content or product recommendations in e-commerce and streaming services [6].

1.3 Addressing Class Imbalance in GNNs

Several approaches have been proposed to mitigate class imbalance in GNNs, including:

- **Resampling:** Over- or under-sampling classes to balance the dataset.
- **Cost-Sensitive Learning:** Assigning different penalties to misclassifications based on the class distribution.
- **Algorithmic Modifications:** Adjusting the GNN architecture or training algorithm to account for class imbalance.

This project focuses on a novel method that integrates KL divergence into the loss function as a regularization term to address class imbalance directly in GNNs.

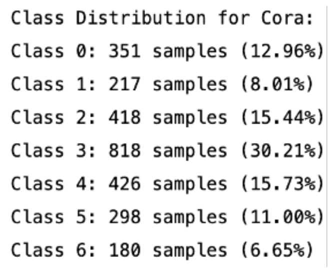
2 Methodology

2.1 Datasets

This project utilizes three benchmark datasets commonly used for node classification tasks in GNN research: **Cora**, **CiteSeer**, and **PubMed**. These citation networks consist of scientific papers (nodes) connected by citation relationships (edges), where each paper is classified into a subject category. The datasets are summarized as follows:

Class distribution in these datasets is as follows:

- **Cora:** Balanced distribution across 7 classes.



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Class Distribution for Cora:
Class 0: 351 samples (12.96%)
Class 1: 217 samples (8.01%)
Class 2: 418 samples (15.44%)
Class 3: 818 samples (30.21%)
Class 4: 426 samples (15.73%)
Class 5: 298 samples (11.00%)
Class 6: 180 samples (6.65%)
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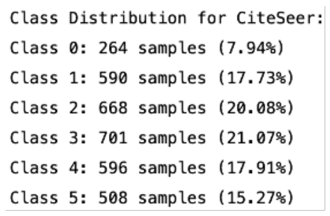
- **CiteSeer:** Balanced distribution across 6 classes.



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Class Distribution for CiteSeer:
Class 0: 264 samples (7.94%)
Class 1: 590 samples (17.73%)
Class 2: 668 samples (20.08%)
Class 3: 701 samples (21.07%)
Class 4: 596 samples (17.91%)
Class 5: 508 samples (15.27%)
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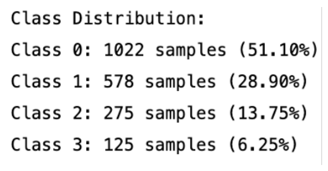
- **PubMed:** Highly imbalanced, with a 3-class distribution.

A synthetically generated dataset with a highly skewed class distribution was created to study the effect of the proposed regularization function. The class distribution in this synthetic dataset is heavily imbalanced, designed to simulate real-world data with minority class underrepresentation.



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Class Distribution:
Class 0: 1022 samples (51.10%)
Class 1: 578 samples (28.90%)
Class 2: 275 samples (13.75%)
Class 3: 125 samples (6.25%)
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KLCE regularization was implemented on Cora, CiteSeer, PubMed, and the synthetic data. A trial of the GIB regularization was conducted on the PubMed dataset.

2.2 KLCE Regularization[2]

KL divergence is a statistical measure used to compare probability density functions (PDFs). It quantifies how much one probability distribution differs from another[4]. More formally:

$$D_{\mathrm{KL}}(P \parallel Q) = \sum_{x} P(x) \log \frac{P(x)}{Q(x)}$$

where P is the true distribution and Q is the model's predicted distribution.

The KLCE regularization combines Kullback-Leibler (KL) divergence with cross-entropy in the GNN's loss function. The KL divergence term measures the difference between the predicted probability distribution $P(\hat{Y}|X)$ and the target class distribution P_k, which is adjusted to emphasize minority classes.

$$\mathrm{KLCE} := \lambda_{\mathrm{KLCE}} \mathcal{H}(P(\hat{Y}|\mathbf{X}), P_k) + \mathrm{KL}(P(\hat{Y}|\mathbf{X}) \parallel P_k)$$

Target Class Distribution P_k: KLCE uses a target class distribution P_k that can be adjusted to give more weight to minority classes. The target class distribution is computed using the ratio of each class's frequency to the total, and a normalized inverse ratio is applied to emphasize the significance of minority classes.

KL Divergence Term: The KL divergence term measures the difference between the learned distribution $P(\hat{Y}|X)$ and the target class distribution P_k. This term is given by:

$$\mathrm{KL}(P(\hat{Y}|\mathbf{X}) \parallel P_k) = \sum_{j=1}^{k} P(\hat{Y} = j|\mathbf{X}) \log \left(\frac{P(\hat{Y} = j|\mathbf{X})}{P_j} \right)$$

Cross-Entropy Term: The cross-entropy term ensures the model's predictions align with the target distribution P_k, addressing class imbalance. The final KLCE regularization loss is:

$$\mathrm{H}(P(\hat{\mathbf{Y}}|\mathbf{X}), \mathbf{P}_k) = -\sum_{j=1}^{k} P(\hat{Y} = j|\mathbf{X}) \log(P_j)$$

The hyper-parameter λ_{KLCE} –> (-1,1) controls the strength of the KLCE term where $H(P(\hat{Y}|X), P_k)$ is the cross-entropy term, and $D_{\mathrm{KL}}(P(\hat{Y}|X) \parallel P_k)$ is the KL divergence term.

In the approach mentioned in the paper this regularization term KLCE is added to a baseline model like cross entropy, log loss or balanced SoftMax which are considered imbalanced, and it has shown

Table 1: Dataset Information

Dataset	Nodes	Edges	Features	Classes	Description
Cora	2708	5429	1433	7	Machine learning papers
CiteSeer	3327	4732	3703	6	Papers across multiple categories
PubMed	19717	44338	500	3	Biomedical research papers

enhancement in the performance after integration. But to add a regularization term, it is important to use a hyperparameter which will help control the effect of KLCE and in terms with the effect of class imbalance (target distribution) and current state. Hence, another parameter was introduced in terms of λ which ranges from (0,1). If you think about excluding the negative values, you will help stop the reversal of the effect of class imbalance included in the value of KLCE. Inclusion of this term into the baseline can be interpreted as:

$$\text{Baseline}+\lambda_{\text{KLCE}} = \text{Baseline}+\lambda\,(\lambda_{\text{KLCE}}\mathcal{H}(P(Y|X), P_k) + \text{KL}(P(Y|X) \parallel P_k))$$

In this implementation, the baseline loss is the log loss.

2.3 GIB Regularization

The Concept of Information Bottleneck[5]: The information bottleneck principle aims to find a compressed representation of an input variable that retains as much information as possible about a relevant output variable. This means finding a balance between **relevance** (how well the representation captures information about the output) and **compression** (how much the representation reduces the input's complexity).

Graph Information Bottleneck:

$$\min_{\mathbb{P}(Z|\mathcal{D})\in\Omega} \text{GIB}_{\beta}(\mathcal{D}, Y; Z) \triangleq [-I(Y;Z) + \beta I(\mathcal{D};Z)]$$

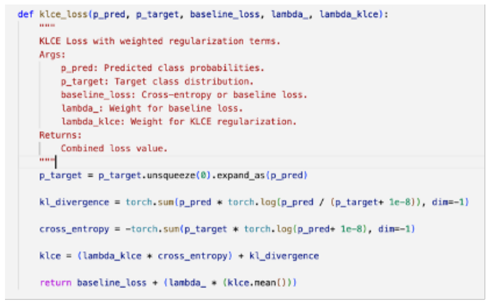
The way to visualize / understand this in a term similar to KLCE, $D \longrightarrow actualdistribution$, $Y \longrightarrow finaldistribution$, $Z \longrightarrow CurrentStateofprediction$. This forms the Markov chain $D \longrightarrow Z \longrightarrow Y$, tracing his back to the Information bottleneck and by controlling the balance between **relevance** between Target distribution and the current state $Z \longrightarrow I(Y, Z)$ and **compression** between Z and $D \longrightarrow I(D, Z)$ will let us have a hold of over fitting using a hyper parameter β. Prior distribution is assumed to be Gaussian for Z. the prediction loss is calculated by cross entropy within target and current state and compression difference is calculated by KL divergence. This approach is relatively basic, and a more comprehensive implementation of GIB, incorporating GAT layers as demonstrated by GIB-Cat and GIB-Bern, is planned for future work.

Interesting observation: When tried comparing with KLCE – there's high resemblance in implementation of these concepts.

2.4 Implementation

The model is implemented using **PyTorch** and **PyTorch Geometric**, popular libraries for deep learning and graph-based tasks. The training process involves constructing a custom KLCE regularization loss function and integrating it into the GNN's optimization.

The target class distribution, $\mathbf{P_k}$, is developed as well following the 2 steps mentioned above.



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def klce_loss(p_pred, p_target, baseline_loss, lambda_, lambda_klce):
    """
    KLCE Loss with weighted regularization terms.
    Args:
        p_pred: Predicted class probabilities.
        p_target: Target class distribution.
        baseline_loss: Cross-entropy or baseline loss.
        lambda_: Weight for baseline loss.
        lambda_klce: Weight for KLCE regularization.
    Returns:
        Combined loss value.
    """
    p_target = p_target.unsqueeze(0).expand_as(p_pred)

    kl_divergence = torch.sum(p_pred * torch.log(p_pred / (p_target+ 1e-8)), dim=-1)

    cross_entropy = -torch.sum(p_target * torch.log(p_pred+ 1e-8), dim=-1)

    klce = (lambda_klce * cross_entropy) + kl_divergence

    return baseline_loss + (lambda_ * (klce.mean()))
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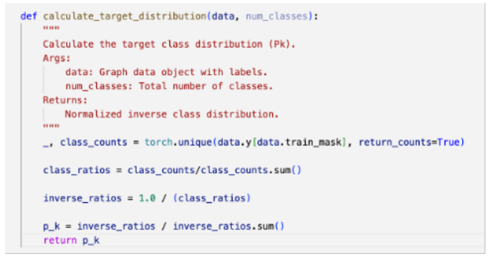
Figure 1: Custom KLCE Loss Function



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def calculate_target_distribution(data, num_classes):
    """
    Calculate the target class distribution (Pk).
    Args:
        data: Graph data object with labels.
        num_classes: Total number of classes.
    Returns:
        Normalized inverse class distribution.
    """
    _, class_counts = torch.unique(data.y[data.train_mask], return_counts=True)

    class_ratios = class_counts/class_counts.sum()

    inverse_ratios = 1.0 / (class_ratios)

    p_k = inverse_ratios / inverse_ratios.sum()
    return p_k
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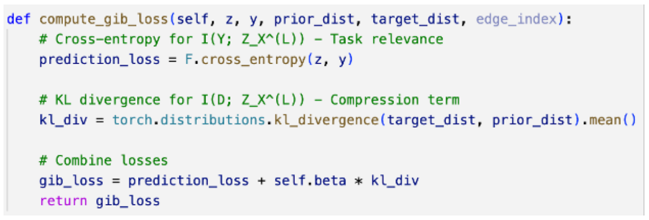
Figure 2: : Calculation of $\mathbf{P_k}$ - the Target Distribution

Implementation of KLCE on Synthetic Data: Synthetically generated data was trained on 3-layer linear network and softmax activation and performance was evaluated using balanced accuracy and F1 score with variable range of Lamda and LambdaKLCE to observe the effect of these hyperparameters on the imbalanced dataset. Performance of KLCE was compared with Log loss and Balanced Softmax (considering class wight rations). Evaluation parameters were bAcc and F1(macro averaged).

GIB Custom Loss Calculation: For comparison, the baseline model was trained using cross-entropy loss.



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def compute_gib_loss(self, z, y, prior_dist, target_dist, edge_index):
    # Cross-entropy for I(Y; Z_X^(L)) - Task relevance
    prediction_loss = F.cross_entropy(z, y)

    # KL divergence for I(D; Z_X^(L)) - Compression term
    kl_div = torch.distributions.kl_divergence(target_dist, prior_dist).mean()

    # Combine losses
    gib_loss = prediction_loss + self.beta * kl_div
    return gib_loss
```

Figure 3: Custom GIB loss balancing Relevance and compression.

2.5 Hyperparameter Tuning

To optimize model performance, hyperparameter tuning is essential. Four models are trained: a baseline using log loss, and three models incorporating KLCE regularization. The hyperparameters λ (for cross-entropy weight) and λ_{KLCE} (for KL divergence weight) are tuned to control the contributions of each component in the loss function. **Optuna** is used to perform efficient hyperparameter optimization.

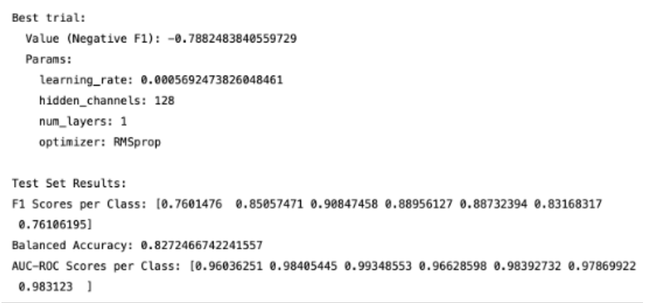
· Baseline model was tuned for the maximum F1 score $\longrightarrow$ minimizing $[-F1]$ as Optuna works on minimization principle.

· For getting the optimal value of λ_{KLCE} and λ F1 score averaged in macro style was used

· These hyper parameters were calculated separately for each dataset leading to optimal training.

Results of optimization:

For baseline model:



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Best trial:
  Value (Negative F1): -0.7882483840559729
  Params:
    learning_rate: 0.0005692473826048461
    hidden_channels: 128
    num_layers: 1
    optimizer: RMSprop

Test Set Results:
F1 Scores per Class: [0.7601476  0.85057471 0.90847458 0.88956127 0.88732394 0.83168317
 0.76106195]
Balanced Accuracy: 0.8272466742241557
AUC-ROC Scores per Class: [0.96036251 0.98405445 0.99348553 0.96628598 0.98392732 0.97869922
 0.983123  ]
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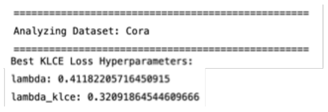
Dataset Specific Hyperparameter values:



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Analyzing Dataset: Cora
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Best KLCE Loss Hyperparameters:
lambda: 0.41182205716450915
lambda_klce: 0.32091864544609666
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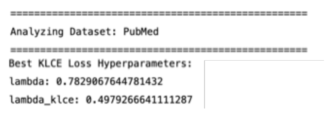

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Best KLCE Loss Hyperparameters:
lambda: 0.7829067644781432
lambda_klce: 0.4979266641111287
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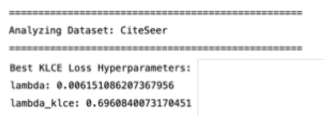

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Analyzing Dataset: CiteSeer
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Best KLCE Loss Hyperparameters:
lambda: 0.006151086207367956
lambda_klce: 0.6960840073170451
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KLCE on Synthetic Data:

Hyperparameters were calculated for the log loss with 3-layer architecture and implied on the KLCE loss performance to observe change in the performance for different combinations of λ_{KLCE} and λ values.

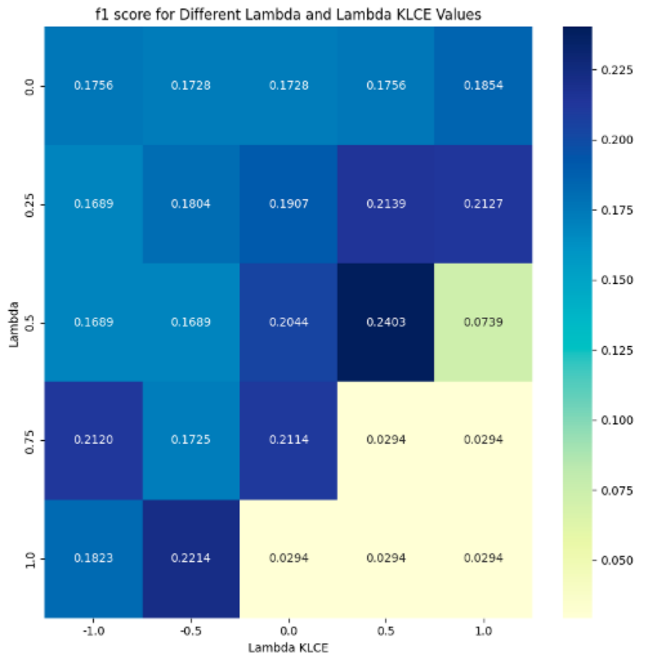


Figure 4: Model performance(f1-score) for hyperparameter combinations on Synthetic data

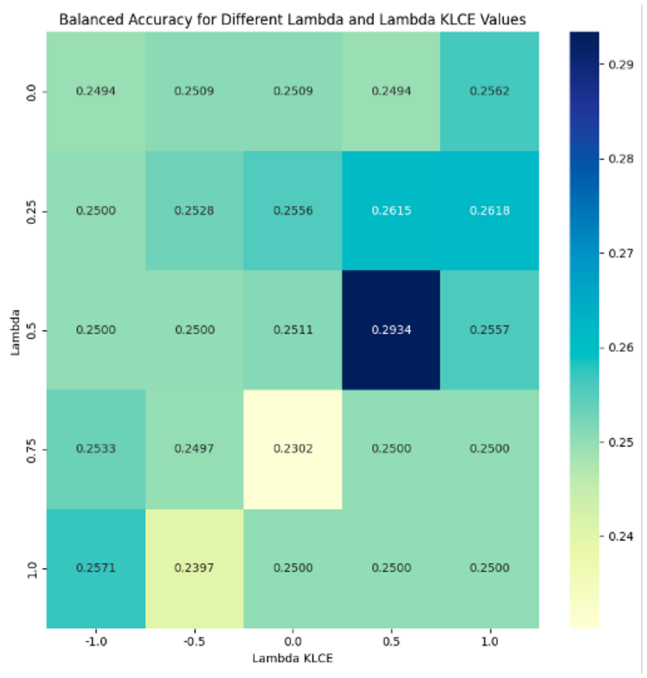


Figure 5: Model performance (Balanced Accuracy) for hyperparameter combinations on Synthetic data

GIB Hyperparameter Tuning: Hyperparameters were transferred from the previous trainings on the PubMed dataset, and the assumption $\beta = 0.1$ was used to control overfitting.

2.6 Evaluation Metrics

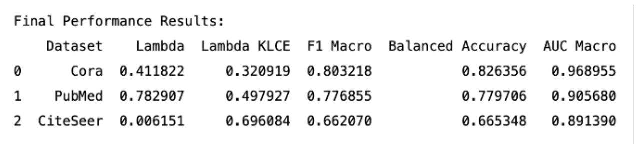
Model performance is evaluated using several metrics to assess both overall and class-specific performance:

- **F1-score:** The harmonic mean of precision and recall, providing a balanced measure of performance.
- **Balanced Accuracy (bAcc):** Evaluates how well the model balances accuracy across imbalanced classes.
- **Precision and Recall:** These metrics help assess the model's ability to detect and correctly classify instances of the minority class.
- **AUC-ROC:** The area under the Receiver Operating Characteristic curve, which helps evaluate the classification ability in an imbalanced setting.

3 Results

3.1 Performance Comparison

KLCE on Cora, CiteSeer, PubMed: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Final Performance Results:
    Dataset    Lambda  Lambda KLCE  F1 Macro  Balanced Accuracy  AUC Macro
0      Cora  0.411822     0.320919  0.803218           0.826356   0.968955
1    PubMed  0.782907     0.497927  0.776855           0.779706   0.905680
2  CiteSeer  0.006151     0.696084  0.662070           0.665348   0.891390
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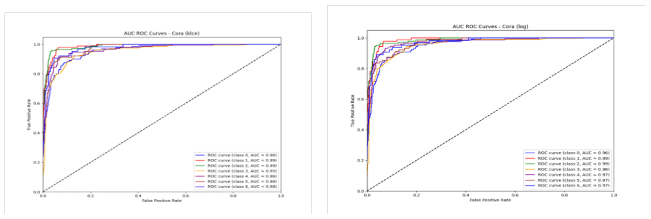
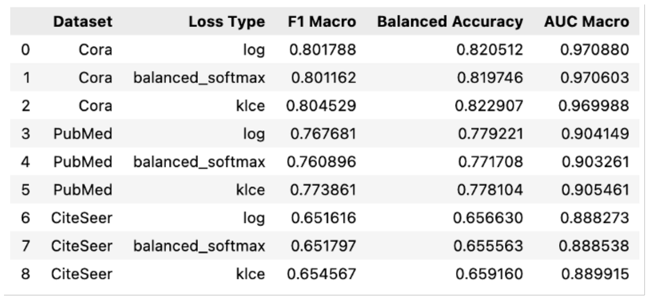


Figure 6: AUC ROC plots of Log-loss and KLCEloss model performances on Cora Dataset making the overall improvement in AUC visible to naked eye.



	Dataset	Loss Type	F1 Macro	Balanced Accuracy	AUC Macro
0	Cora	log	0.801788	0.820512	0.970880
1	Cora	balanced_softmax	0.801162	0.819746	0.970603
2	Cora	klce	0.804529	0.822907	0.969988
3	PubMed	log	0.767681	0.779221	0.904149
4	PubMed	balanced_softmax	0.760896	0.771708	0.903261
5	PubMed	klce	0.773861	0.778104	0.905461
6	CiteSeer	log	0.651616	0.656630	0.888273
7	CiteSeer	balanced_softmax	0.651797	0.655563	0.888538
8	CiteSeer	klce	0.654567	0.659160	0.889915

Figure 7: Overall Model Performances

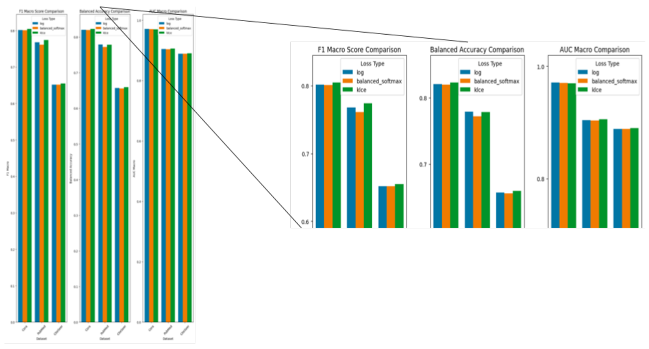
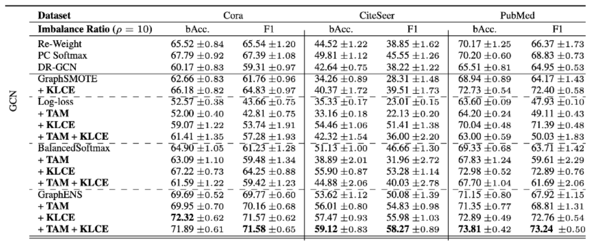


Figure 8: Bar plots for performance comparisons for Loss function per dataset showcasing effectiveness of KLCE over LogLoss and Balanced softmax Function.

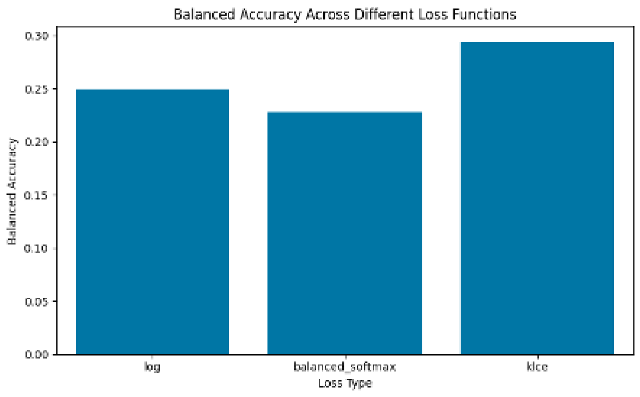
KLCE regularization consistently outperforms the traditional log loss function across all datasets. Performance metrics, including F1-score, balanced accuracy, and AUC score, show significant improvements with KLCE, especially for the minority classes.

The results obtained from this implementation exceed those reported at the conference. However, the paper does not provide specific details about the architecture used to train the GCN or the associated hyperparameters, making it challenging to determine the precise reasons for the improved performance. It is likely that hyperparameter tuning for the baseline architecture played a significant role in achieving these enhanced results. Training the models for KLCE hyperparameters for each dataset seems to have



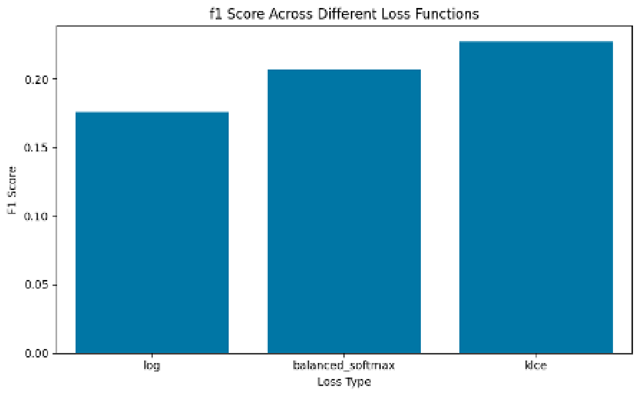
	Dataset	Cora		CiteSeer		PubMed	
	Imbalance Ratio ($\rho = 10$)	bAcc.	F1	bAcc.	F1	bAcc.	F1
GCN	Re-Weight	65.52 ±0.84	65.54 ±1.20	44.52 ±1.22	38.85 ±1.62	70.17 ±1.25	66.37 ±1.73
	PC Softmax	67.79 ±0.92	67.39 ±1.08	49.81 ±1.12	45.55 ±1.26	70.20 ±0.60	68.83 ±0.73
	DR-GCN	60.17 ±0.83	59.31 ±0.97	42.64 ±0.75	38.22 ±1.22	65.51 ±0.81	64.95 ±0.53
	GraphSMOTE	62.66 ±0.83	61.76 ±0.96	34.26 ±0.89	28.31 ±1.48	68.94 ±0.89	64.17 ±1.43
	+ KLCE	66.18 ±0.82	64.83 ±0.97	40.37 ±1.72	39.51 ±1.73	72.73 ±0.54	72.40 ±0.58
	Log-loss	52.57 ±0.38	43.66 ±0.75	35.33 ±0.17	23.01 ±0.15	63.60 ±0.09	47.93 ±0.10
	+ TAM	52.00 ±0.40	42.81 ±0.75	33.16 ±0.18	22.13 ±0.20	64.20 ±0.24	49.11 ±0.43
	+ KLCE	59.07 ±1.22	53.74 ±1.91	54.46 ±1.06	51.41 ±1.38	70.04 ±0.48	71.39 ±0.48
	+ TAM + KLCE	61.41 ±1.35	57.28 ±1.93	42.32 ±1.54	36.00 ±2.20	63.00 ±0.59	50.03 ±1.83
	BalancedSoftmax	64.90 ±1.05	61.23 ±1.28	51.13 ±1.00	46.66 ±1.30	69.33 ±0.68	63.71 ±1.42
	+ TAM	63.09 ±1.10	59.48 ±1.34	38.89 ±2.01	31.96 ±2.72	67.83 ±1.24	59.61 ±2.29
	+ KLCE	67.22 ±0.73	64.25 ±0.88	55.90 ±0.87	53.28 ±1.14	72.98 ±0.52	72.89 ±0.76
	+ TAM + KLCE	61.59 ±1.22	59.42 ±1.23	44.88 ±2.06	40.03 ±2.78	67.70 ±1.04	61.69 ±2.06
	GraphENS	69.69 ±0.52	69.77 ±0.60	53.62 ±1.12	50.08 ±1.39	71.15 ±0.80	67.92 ±1.15
	+ TAM	69.95 ±0.70	70.16 ±0.68	56.01 ±0.80	54.83 ±0.98	71.35 ±0.77	68.81 ±1.31
	+ KLCE	**72.32** ±0.62	71.57 ±0.62	57.47 ±0.93	55.98 ±1.03	72.89 ±0.49	72.76 ±0.54
	+ TAM + KLCE	71.89 ±0.61	**71.58** ±0.65	**59.12** ±0.83	**58.27** ±0.89	**73.81** ±0.42	**73.24** ±0.50

Figure 9: Results shared in ICLR2024 publication.



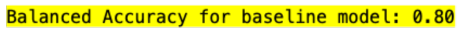
contributed towards obtaining better results. The findings demonstrate that KLCE effectively addresses class imbalance, resulting in improved prediction accuracy for underrepresented classes.

KLCE on Synthetic Data:



KLCE excels on highly imbalanced data, as expected, showcasing substantial improvements of nearly 18% and 29% over the baseline log loss and balanced softmax methods, respectively.

GIB Loss On PubMed:



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Balanced Accuracy for baseline model: 0.80
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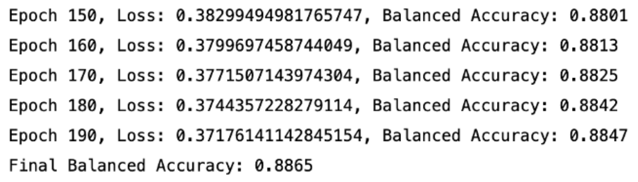

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Epoch 150, Loss: 0.38299494981765747, Balanced Accuracy: 0.8801
Epoch 160, Loss: 0.3799697458744049, Balanced Accuracy: 0.8813
Epoch 170, Loss: 0.3771507143974304, Balanced Accuracy: 0.8825
Epoch 180, Loss: 0.3744357228279114, Balanced Accuracy: 0.8842
Epoch 190, Loss: 0.37176141142845154, Balanced Accuracy: 0.8847
Final Balanced Accuracy: 0.8865
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Even with a naïve approach, GIBLoss shows significant improvement (10%) in the model performance, proving the superiority of the Information Bottleneck and balance between relevance and compression.

4 Discussion

This project demonstrates that KLCE regularization is a promising approach for addressing class imbalance in node classification tasks with GNNs. By integrating KL divergence and cross-entropy, KLCE helps to balance the model's focus on both majority and minority classes, enhancing its classification accuracy.

Several directions for future work include:

- Exploring different GNN architectures: Investigating how architectures such as GCNConv, GATConv, and TransformerConv interact with KLCE regularization to enhance performance.
- Refining the target class distribution (P_k): Exploring alternative weighting strategies or incorporating domain-specific knowledge to improve P_k's effectiveness.
- Applying KLCE to other graph-based tasks: Extending KLCE regularization to tasks like link prediction, graph clustering, and community detection.
- Broader implementation of GIB, on attention/transformer layers as showed by GIB-Cat, GIB-Bern[5], and Dynamic Graph Information Bottleneck(DGIB)[7].

5 Conclusion

This project highlights the potential of KLCE loss and GIB loss as tools to address class imbalance in GNNs. By combining KL divergence and cross-entropy, KLCE and GIB regularization-based loss functions improve model performance, particularly for minority classes, and provide a more balanced and accurate classification across all classes. The findings offer valuable insights into the practical applications of KLCE and its potential for further use in graph-based machine learning tasks. GIB continues to prove its superiority over basic loss functions utilizing relevance and compression balance.

6 Code Availability

Images/results in this report can be reproduced using the code available on: https://github.com/Pranjal10052000/cs7840_KLCEand_GIB_for_GNN

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