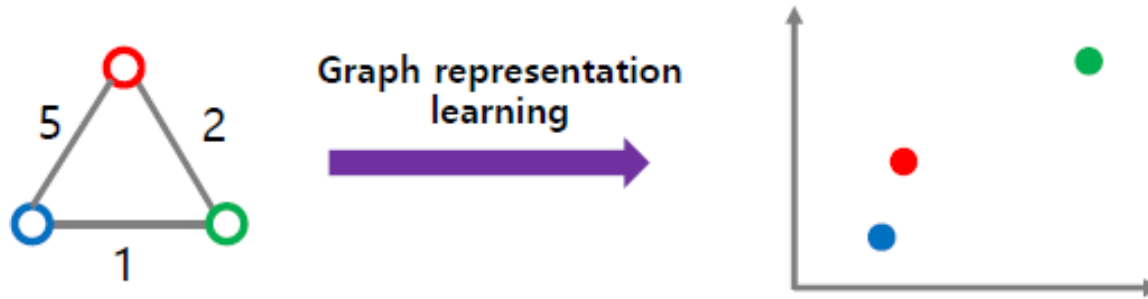


# Graph Representation Learning

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# Definition

- **Graph representation learning** tries to embed each node of a graph into a low-dimensional vector space, which preserves the structural similarities or distances among the nodes in the original graph
- Also known as **network embedding** / **graph embedding** / **network representation learning**



# Why graphs?

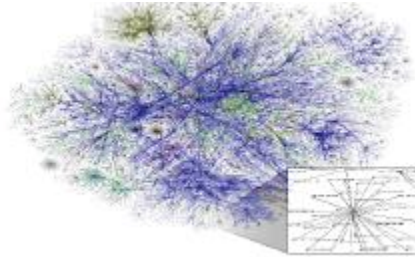
Graphs are a general language for describing and modeling complex systems.

# Why graphs?

- Universal language for describing complex data
  - Networks from science, nature, and technology are more similar than one would expect
- Shared vocabulary between fields
  - Computer Science, Social science, Physics, Economics, Statistics, Biology
- Data availability (+computational challenges)
  - Web/mobile, bio, health, and medical
- Impact!
  - Social networking, Social media, Drug design

# Graphs: general and flexible data structures

- Ubiquitous in real-world, arises in multiple disciplines
  - computer science, social science, healthcare, bioinformatics, ...



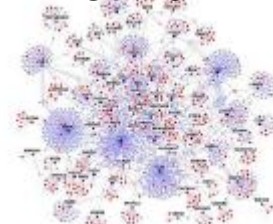
**World Wide  
Web**



**Knowledge Graph**



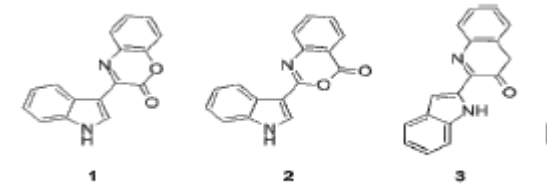
**Social  
Network**



**Protein-protein  
Interaction Graph**



**Road Graph**

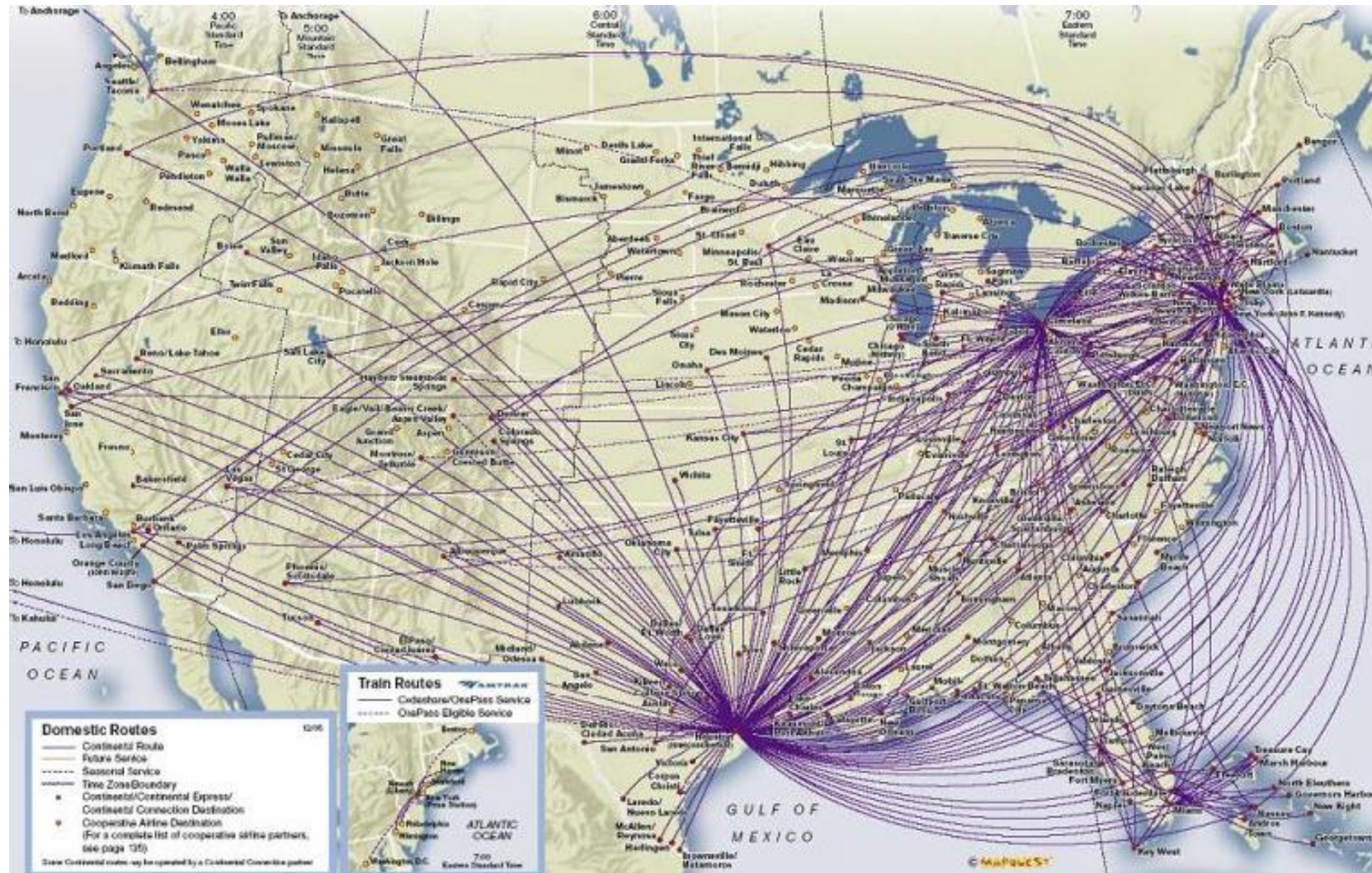


**Molecular structures**

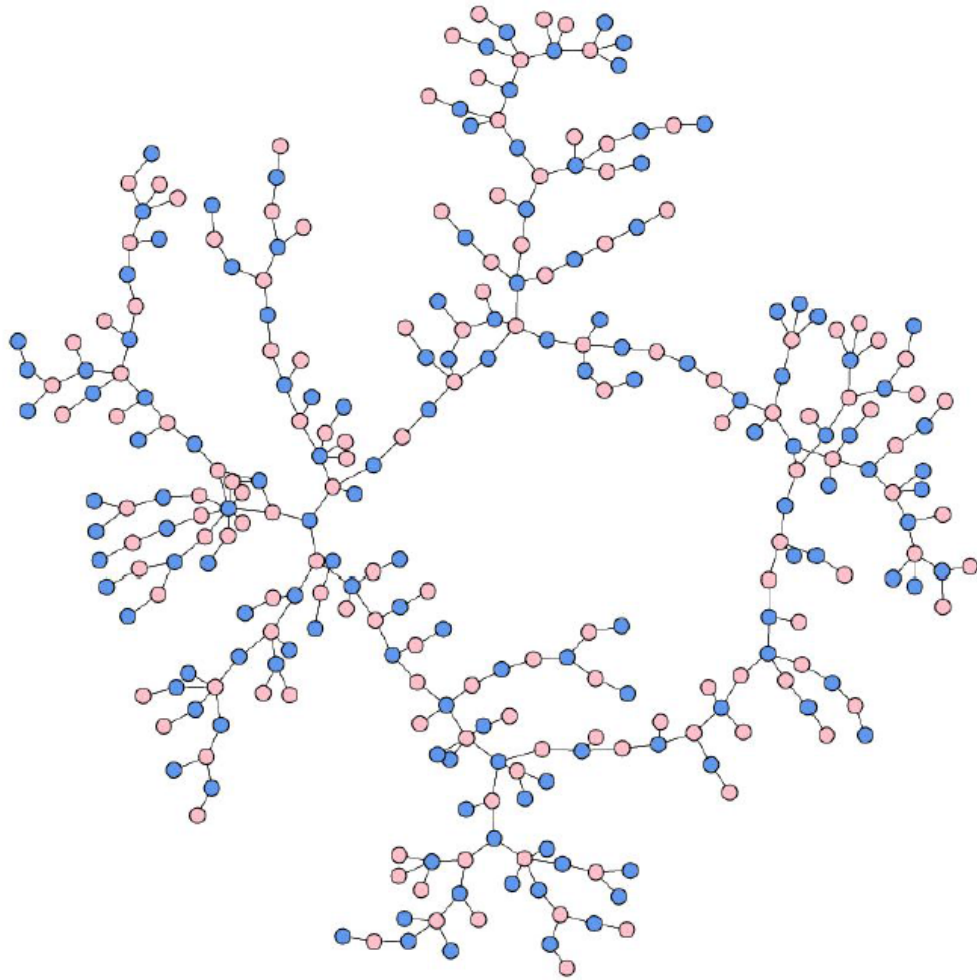
- Many data can be formulated as graphs
  - Images as graphs with two-dimensional grid structures



# Applications



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Peter S. Bearman, James Moody and Katherine Stovel Chains of affection: The structure of adolescent romantic and sexual Graphs , American Journal of Sociology 110 44-91 (2004)

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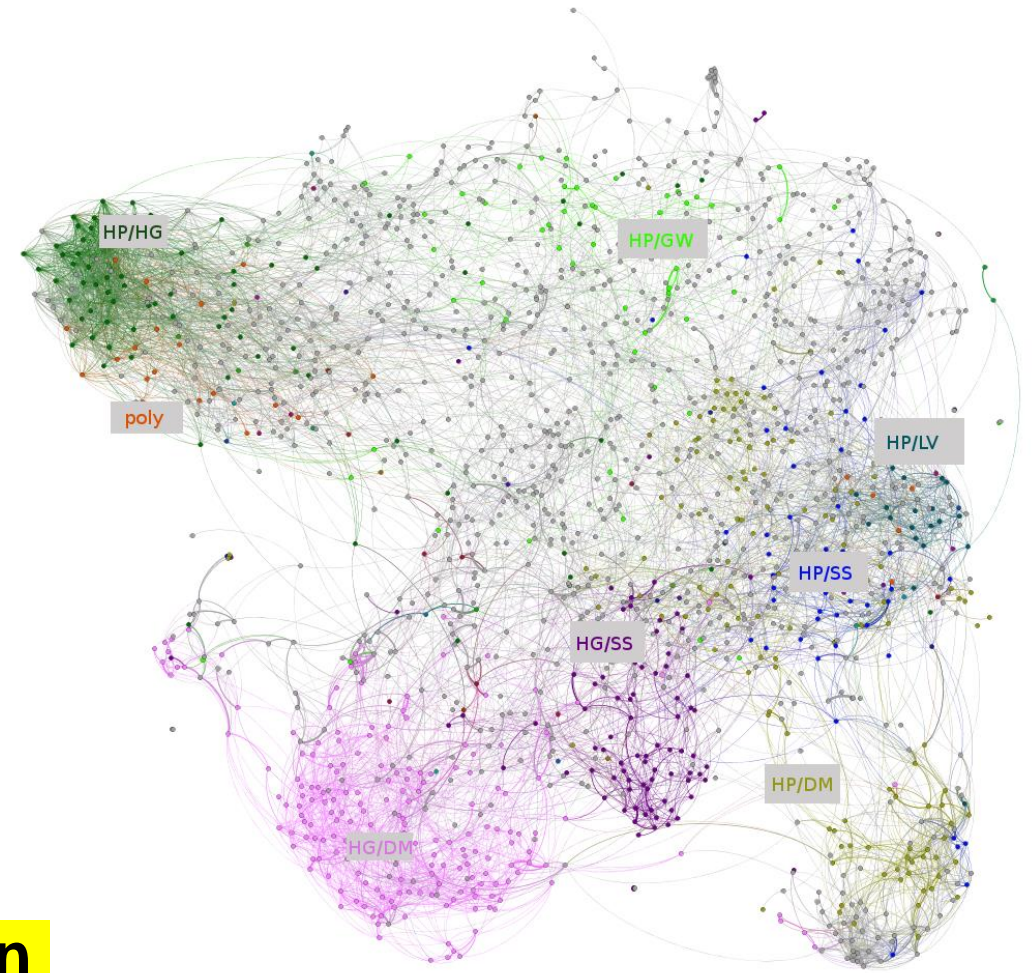
**Graph representation learning** can benefit a wide range of real-world applications:

- Link prediction (Gao, Denoyer, and Gallinari, CIKM 2011)
- Node classification (Tang, Aggarwal, and Liu, SDM 2016)
- Recommendation (Yuet al., WSDM 2014)
- Visualization (Maaten and Hinton, JMLR 2008)
- Knowledge graph representation (Lin et al., AAAI 2015)
- Clustering (Tian et al., AAAI 2014)
- Text embedding (Tang, Qu, and Mei, KDD 2015)
- Social network analysis (Liu et al., IJCAI 2016)



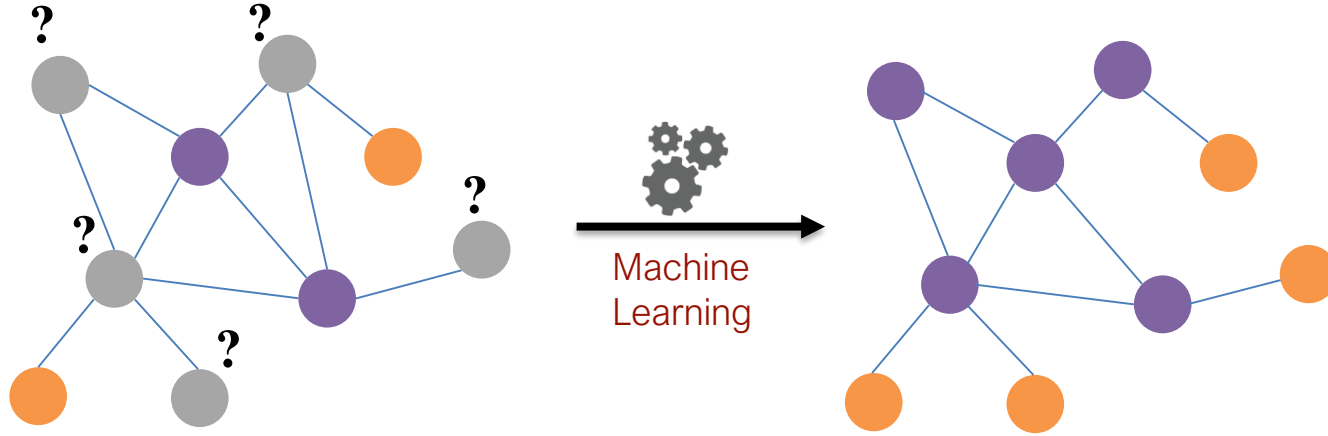
# Classical ML tasks in graphs

- Node classification
  - Predict a type of a given node
- Link prediction
  - Predict whether two nodes are linked
- Community detection
  - Identify densely linked clusters of nodes
- Network similarity
  - How similar are two (sub)networks...



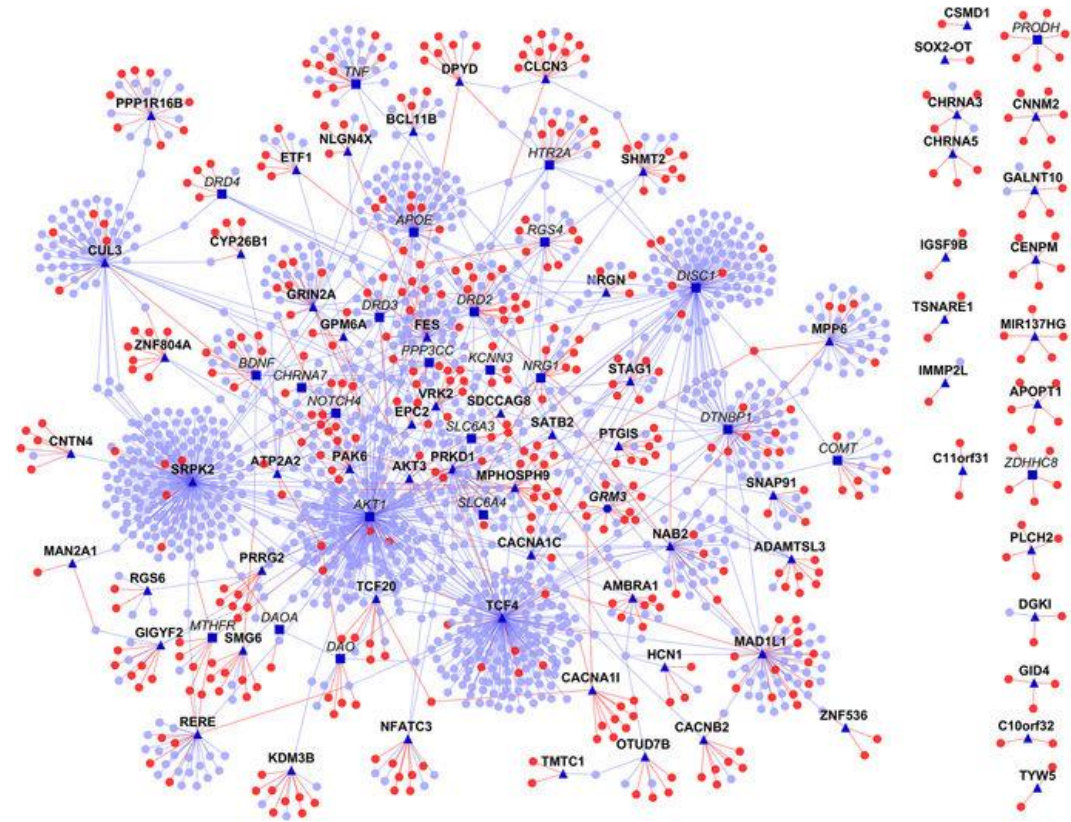
**Graph embedding have vital impact on various real applications.**

# Example: Node Classification

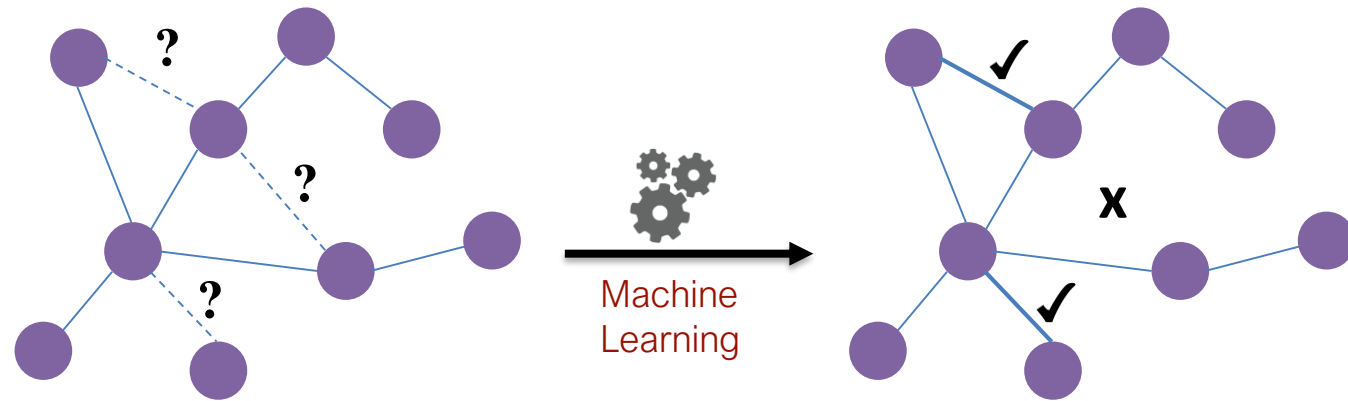


# Example: Node Classification

Classifying the  
function of proteins  
in the interactome!

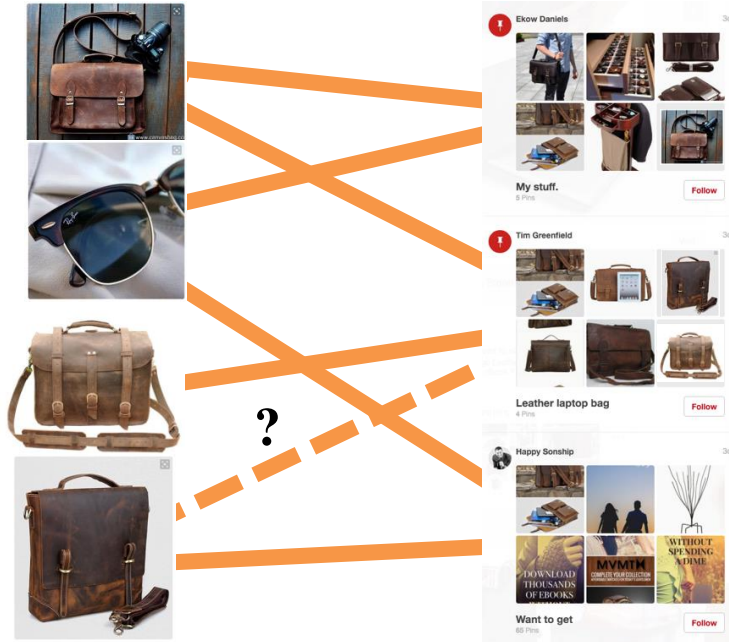


# Example: Link Prediction



# Example: Link Prediction

Content  
recommendation is  
link prediction!



# The voices from industry...



## Social Graphs

**Facebook:** ~2 billion active users

**Wechat:** ~1 billion active users



## E-commerce Graphs

**Amazon:** 400M active customers, 400M products

**Taobao:** 500M customers, 800M products

**The Graph grows to such a scale that no sophisticated Graph analytics is doable.**



# Taxonomy

Taxonomy graph representation learning  
in three ways:

1. By Input
2. By Output
3. By Method

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# Taxonomy (1/3)

## Input

1. Homogeneous graph (e.g., citation network)
  - Weighted / Unweighted
  - Directed / Undirected
  - Signed / Unsigned
2. Heterogeneous graph
  - Multimedia network
  - Knowledge graph
3. Graph with side information
  - Node/edge label (categorical)
  - Node/edge attribute (discrete or continuous)
  - Node feature (e.g., texts)
4. Graph transformed from non-relational data
  - Manifold learning

# Taxonomy (2/3)

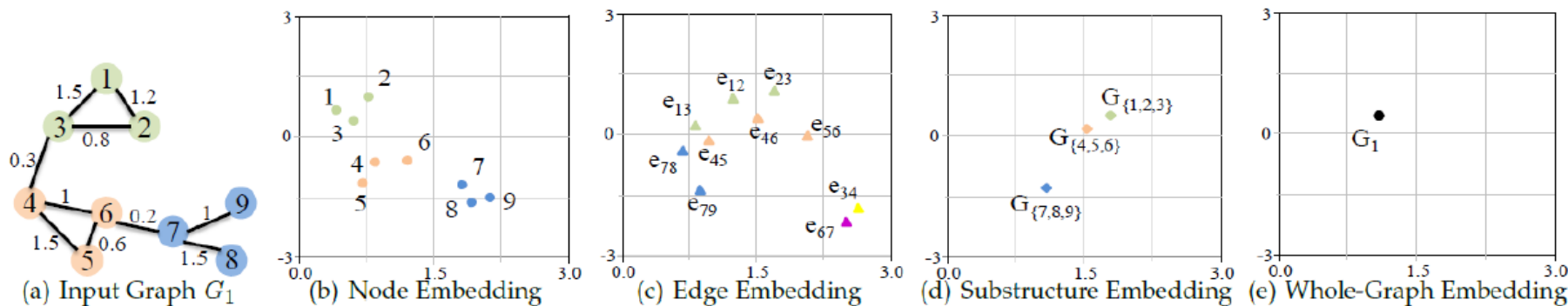
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# Taxonomy (2/3)

## Output

1. Node embedding (the most common case)
2. Edge embedding
  - Relations in knowledge graph
  - Link prediction
3. Sub-graph embedding
  - Substructure embedding
  - Community embedding
4. Whole-graph embedding
  - Multiple small graphs, e.g., molecule, protein



# Taxonomy (3/3)

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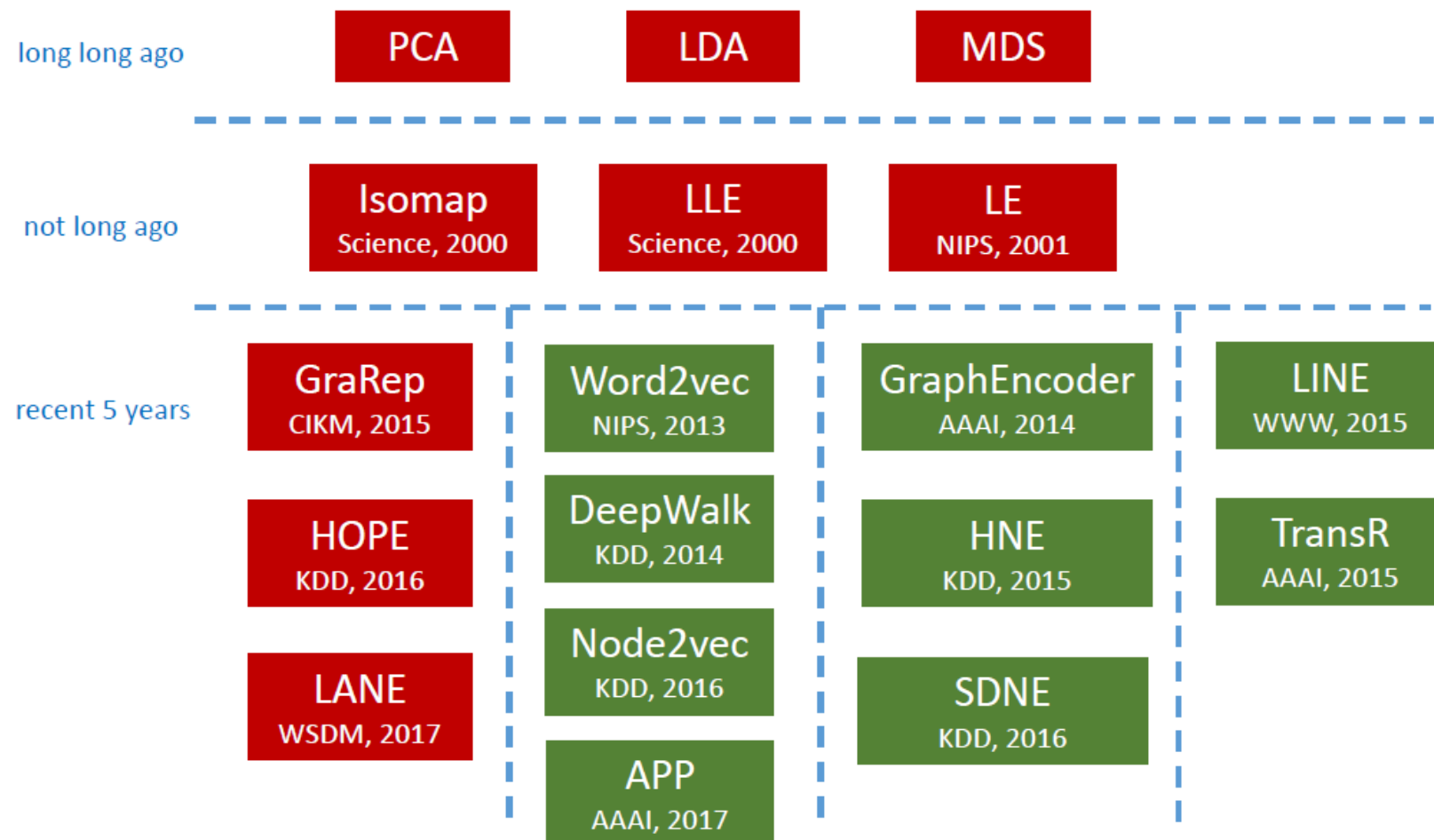


# Taxonomy (3/3)

## Method

- Traditional dimension reduction methods
  - **PCA** (principle component analysis)
  - **LDA** (linear discriminant analysis)
  - **MDS** (multiple dimensional scaling)
- Manifold Learning methods
  - Isomap (isometric mapping) [Science 2000]
  - LLE (locally linear embedding) [Science 2000]
  - LE (Laplacian eigenmaps) [NIPS 2001]
- Random-walk-based methods
  - DeepWalk [KDD 2014]
  - Node2vec [KDD 2016]
  - LINE (large-scale information network embedding) [WWW 2015]
- Deep-learning-based methods
  - SDNE (structural deep network embedding) [KDD 2016]
  - HNE (heterogeneous network embedding) [KDD 2015]
  - Gated Graph Neural Networks [ICLR 2016]
  - GCN (Graph Convolutional Networks) [ICLR 2017]
  - GraphSAGE (sample and aggregate) [NIPS 2017]
  - Graph Attention Networks [ICLR 2018]
  - ....

# Representative Work



# Many Extensions ...

- Leverage global structural information (Cao et al. 2015)
- Non-linear methods based on autoencoders (Wang et al. 2016)
- Matrix-factorization based approaches (Qiu et al. 2018)
- Directed network embedding (Ou et al. 2016)
- Signed network embedding (Wang et al. 2017)
- Multi-view networks (Qu and Tang et al. 2017)
- Networks with node attributes (Yang et al. 2015)
- Heterogeneous networks (Chang et al. 2015)
- Task-specific network embedding (Chen et al. 2017)
- ...

# **SEMI-SUPERVISED CLASSIFICATION WITH GRAPH CONVOLUTIONAL NETWORKS**

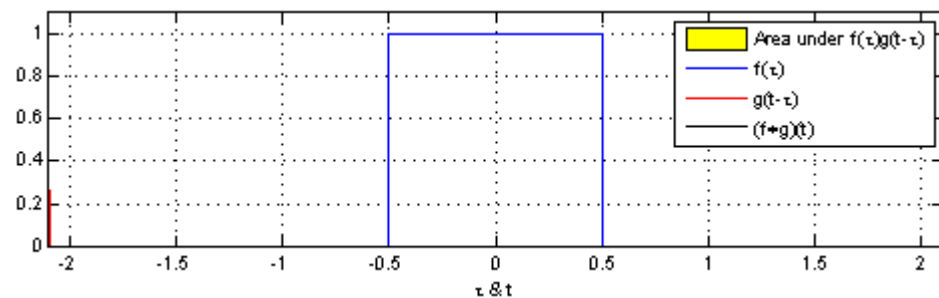
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# CNN

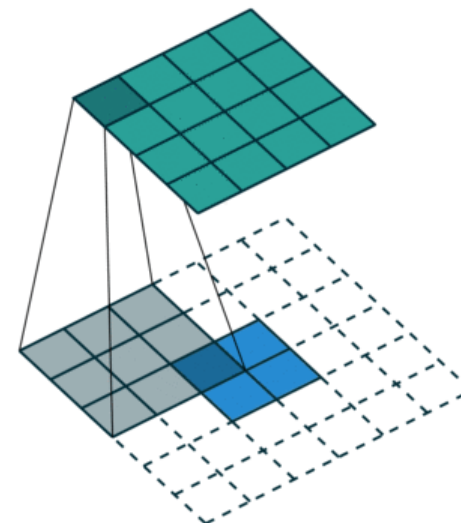
Convolution:

$$(f * g)(t) = \int_{\mathbb{R}} f(x)g(t - x)dx$$

1D convolution:

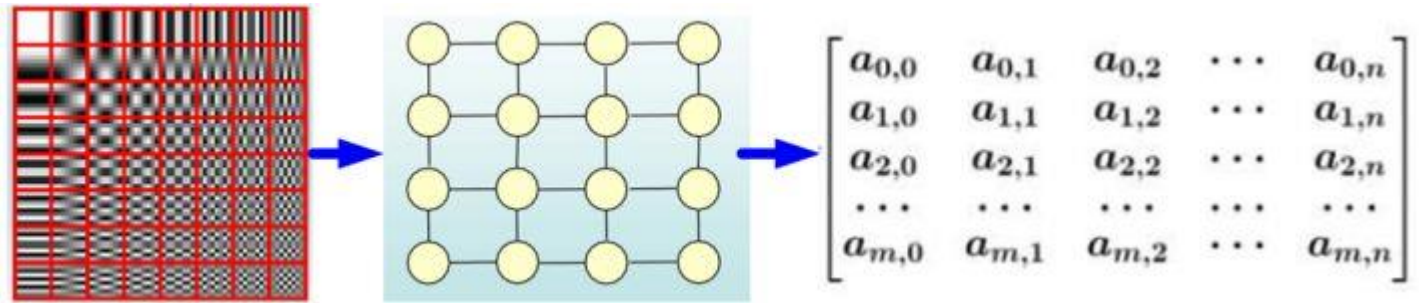


2D convolution:



# CNN

Euclidean Structure:

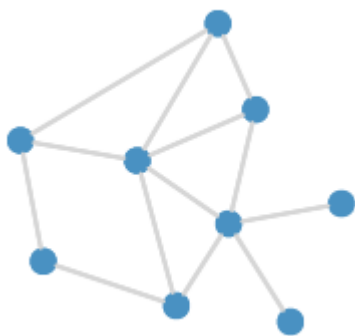




How to deal with Non Euclidean  
Structure?

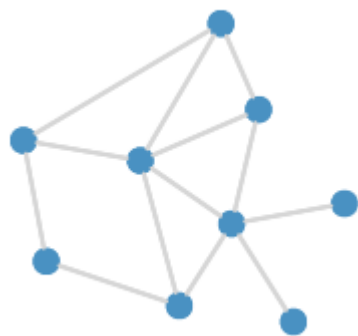
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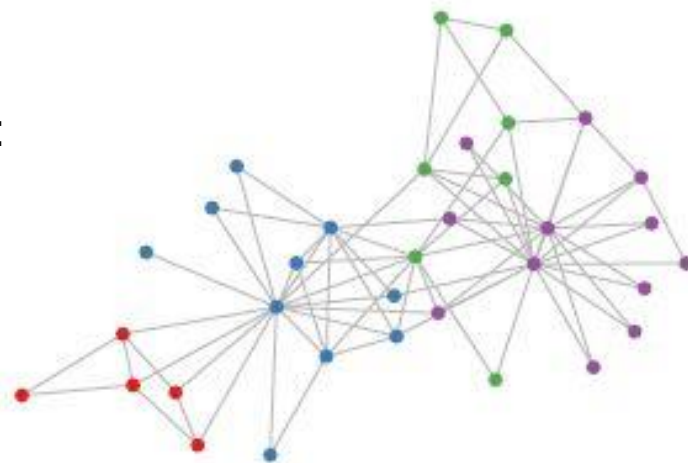


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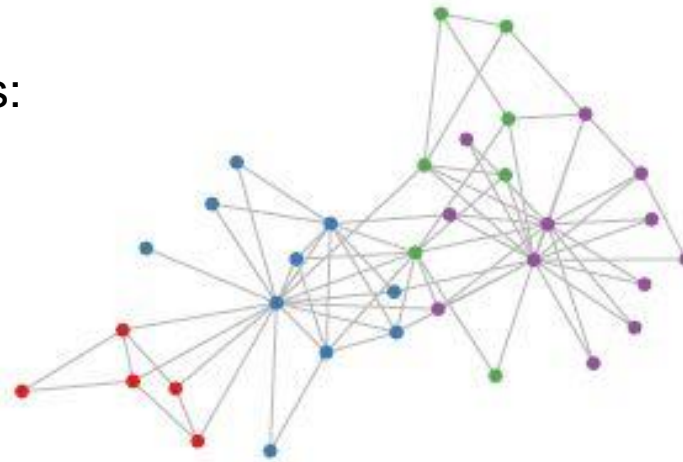


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## Real-world examples:

- Social networks
- World-wide-web
- Protein-interaction networks
- Telecommunication networks
- Knowledge graphs
- ...

# Motivation

## GRAPH CONVOLUTIONAL NETWORKS

Non Euclidean Structure

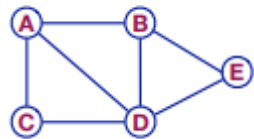
Then, how to do GCN?

Before we started, take a look at a naïve approach...



# A naïve approach

- Take adjacency matrix  $\mathbf{A}$  and feature matrix  $\mathbf{X}$
- Concatenate them  $\mathbf{X}_{\text{in}} = [\mathbf{A}, \mathbf{X}]$
- Feed them into deep (fully connected) neural net
- Done?



## Problems:

- Huge number of parameters  $\mathcal{O}(N)$
- Re-train if graph changes

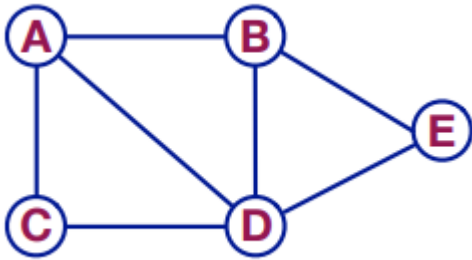
# Graph-structured data

$\mathcal{G} = (\mathcal{V}, \mathcal{E})$   $v_i \in \mathcal{V}$ , edges  $(v_i, v_j) \in \mathcal{E}$

A: adjacency matrix

D: degree matrix

L: Laplacian matrix



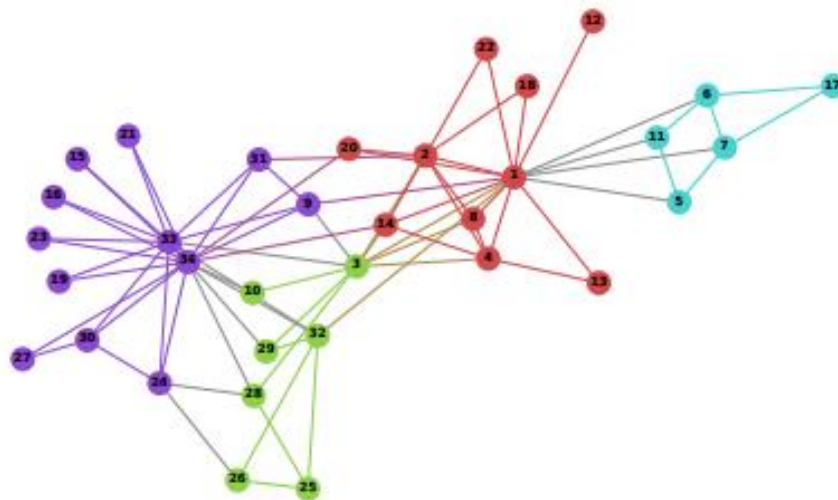
	A	B	C	D	E
A	0	1	1	1	0
B	1	0	0	1	1
C	1	0	0	1	0
D	1	1	1	0	1
E	0	1	0	1	0

Vertex labeled graph	Degree matrix
<pre>graph LR; 1((1)) --- 1((1)); 1 --- 2((2)); 2 --- 3((3)); 2 --- 5((5)); 3 --- 4((4)); 4 --- 5; 4 --- 6((6)); 5 --- 6;</pre>	$\begin{pmatrix} 4 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 3 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$

# GCN

## Some Preparations:

- Graph Fourier Transformation
- Laplace operator



# Graph Fourier Transformation

- Fourier transform:

$$\mathcal{F}\{f\}(v) = \int_{\mathbb{R}} f(x) e^{-2\pi i x \cdot v} dx$$

- Inverse Fourier transform:

$$\mathcal{F}^{-1}\{f\}(x) = \int_{\mathbb{R}} f(v) e^{2\pi i x \cdot v} dv$$

- Assume:

$$h(z) = \int_{\mathbb{R}} f(x) g(z - x) dx$$

- Then,

$$f * g = \mathcal{F}^{-1}\{\mathcal{F}\{f\} \cdot \mathcal{F}\{g\}\}$$

# Laplace operator

$$f'(x) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h}$$

$$f'_{*g}(x) = f(x) - f(y)$$

$$\Delta f(x) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x+h) - 2f(x) + f(x-h)}{h^2}$$

$$\Delta_{*g} f'(x) = \Sigma_{y \sim x} f(x) - f(y)$$

# Graph convolution

- Laplacian matrix:

$$L = D - A$$

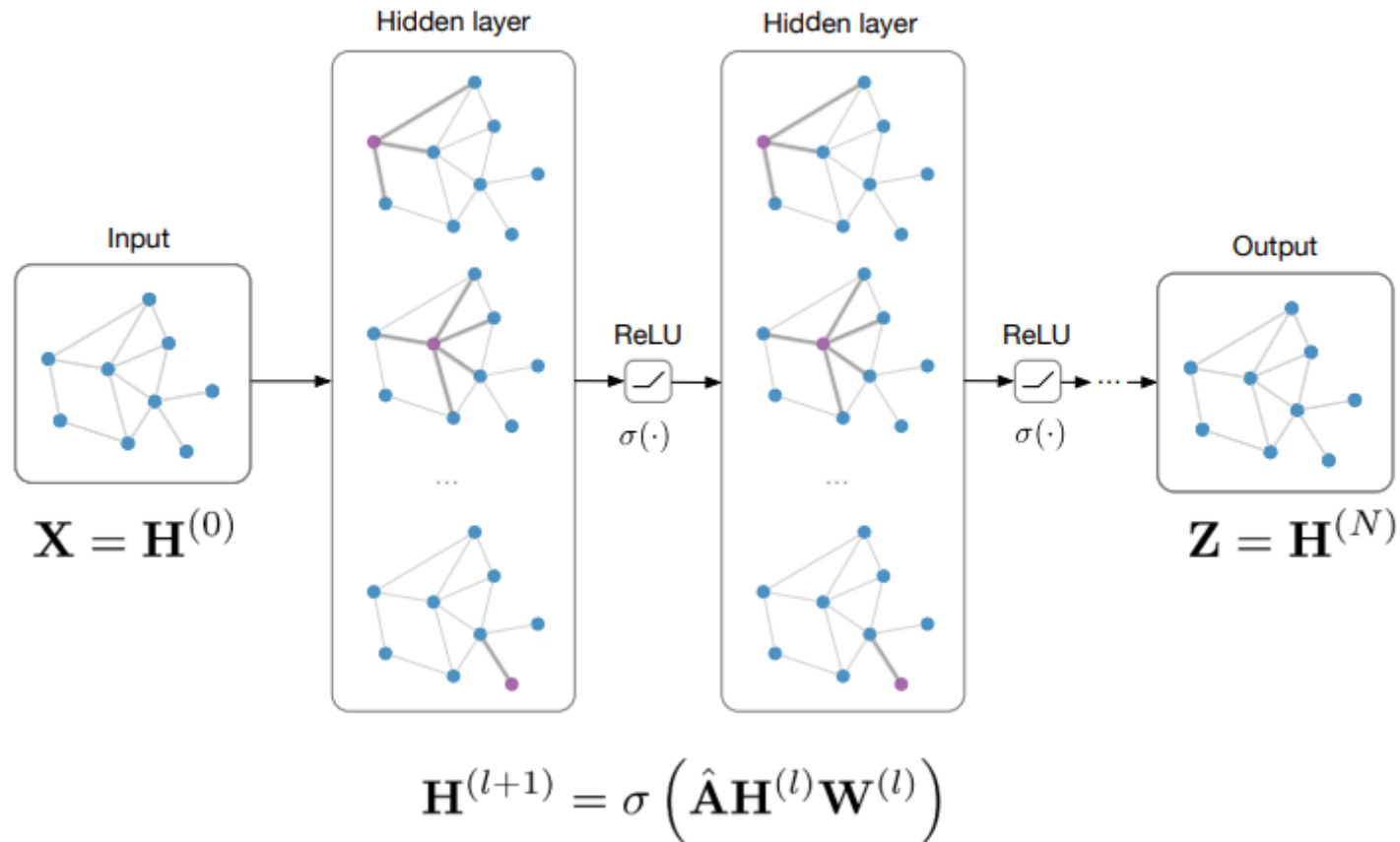
- Graph convolution:

$$g_{\theta} * x = U g_{\theta} U^T x = U g_{\theta'}(\Lambda) U^T x$$

$$H^{(l+1)} = \sigma(\tilde{D}^{-\frac{1}{2}} \tilde{A} \tilde{D}^{-\frac{1}{2}} H^{(l)} W^{(l)})$$

# GCN model architecture

Input: Feature matrix  $\mathbf{X} \in \mathbb{R}^{N \times E}$ , preprocessed adjacency matrix  $\hat{\mathbf{A}}$



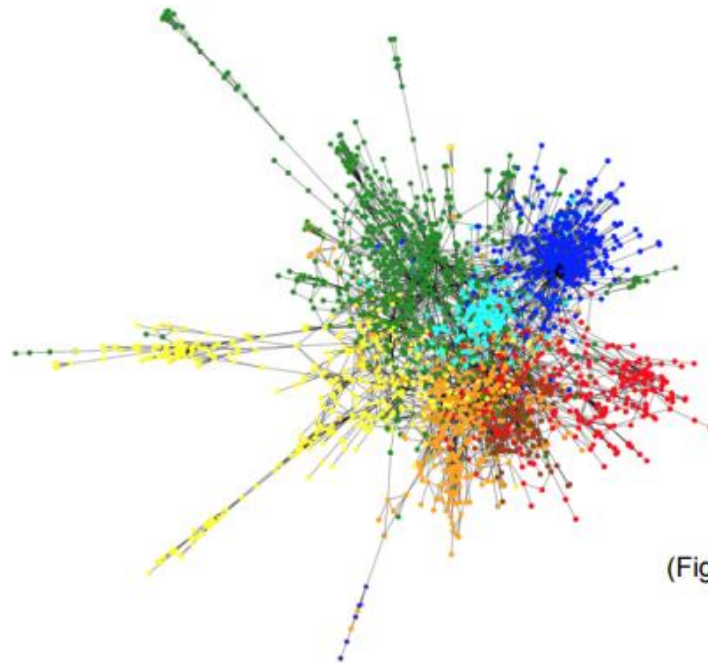
# Application: Classification on citation networks

**Input:**

Citation networks

**Target:**

Paper category (e.g. stat.ML, cs.LG, ...)



(Figure from: Bronstein, Bruna, LeCun,  
Szlam, Vandergheynst, 2016)



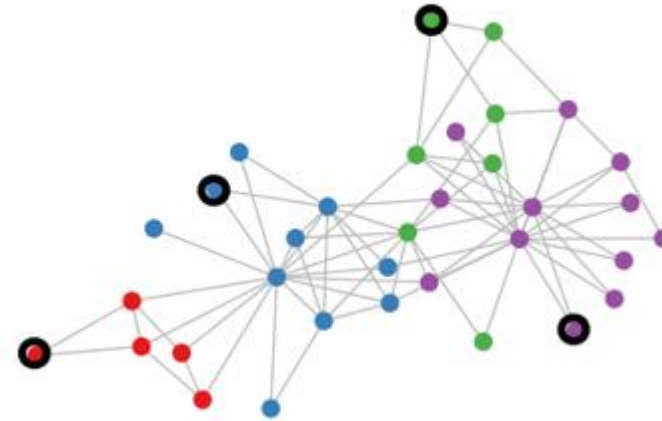
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## Idea:

Train graph-based classifier end-to-end using GCN

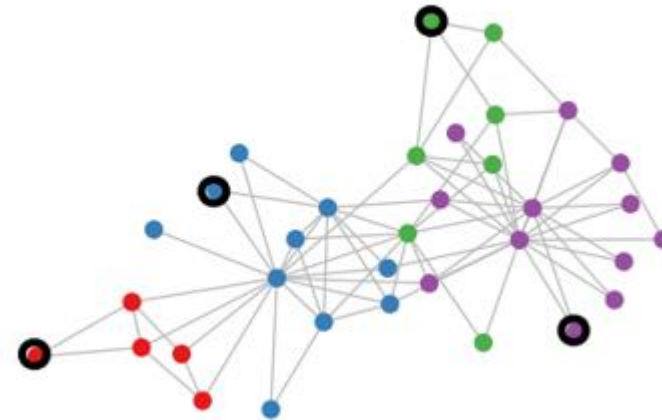
Evaluate loss on labeled nodes only:

$$\mathcal{L} = - \sum_{l \in \mathcal{Y}_L} \sum_{f=1}^F Y_{lf} \ln Z_{lf}$$

$\mathcal{Y}_L$  set of labeled node indices

$\mathbf{Y}$  label matrix

$\mathbf{Z}$  GCN output (after softmax)



# Experiment data

## Dataset statistics

<b>Dataset</b>	<b>Type</b>	<b>Nodes</b>	<b>Edges</b>	<b>Classes</b>	<b>Features</b>	<b>Label rate</b>
Citeseer	Citation network	3,327	4,732	6	3,703	0.036
Cora	Citation network	2,708	5,429	7	1,433	0.052
Pubmed	Citation network	19,717	44,338	3	500	0.003
NELL	Knowledge graph	65,755	266,144	210	5,414	0.001

# Experiment results

Summary of results in terms of classification accuracy (in percent)

Method	Citeseer	Cora	Pubmed	NELL
ManiReg [3]	60.1	59.5	70.7	21.8
SemiEmb [28]	59.6	59.0	71.1	26.7
LP [32]	45.3	68.0	63.0	26.5
DeepWalk [22]	43.2	67.2	65.3	58.1
ICA [18]	69.1	75.1	73.9	23.1
Planetoid* [29]	64.7 (26s)	75.7 (13s)	77.2 (25s)	61.9 (185s)
<b>GCN (this paper)</b>	<b>70.3 (7s)</b>	<b>81.5 (4s)</b>	<b>79.0 (38s)</b>	<b>66.0 (48s)</b>
GCN (rand. splits)	67.9 $\pm$ 0.5	80.1 $\pm$ 0.5	78.9 $\pm$ 0.7	58.4 $\pm$ 1.7

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