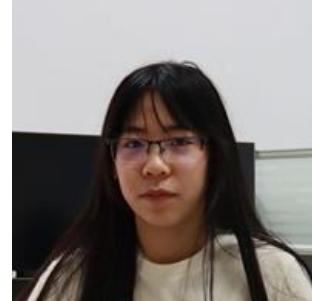


# Towards Efficient Temporal Graph Learning: Algorithms, Frameworks, and Tools



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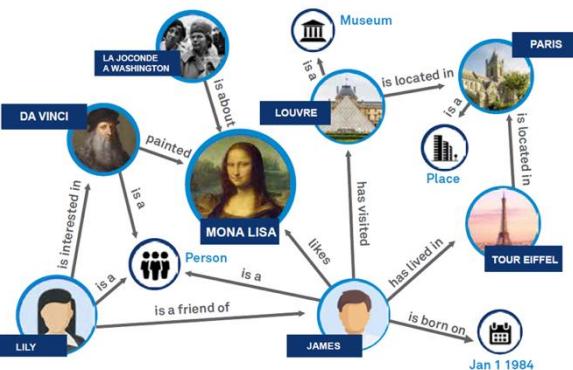
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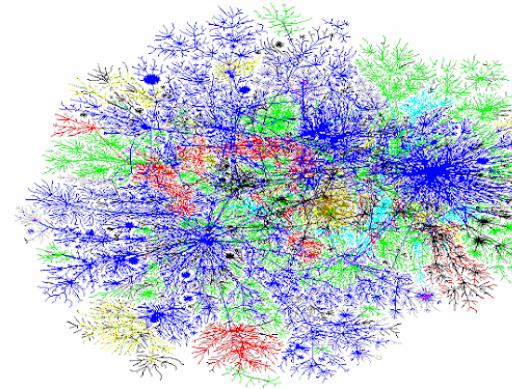
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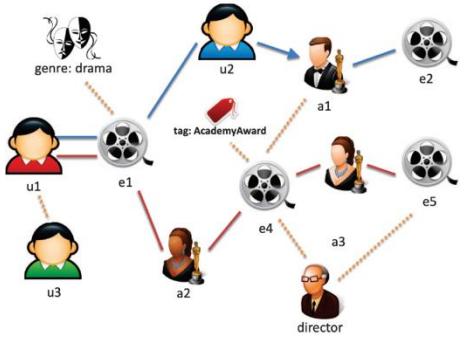
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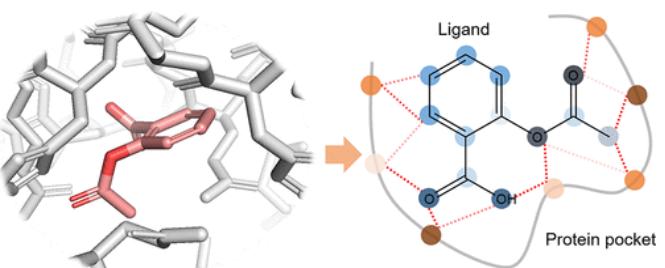
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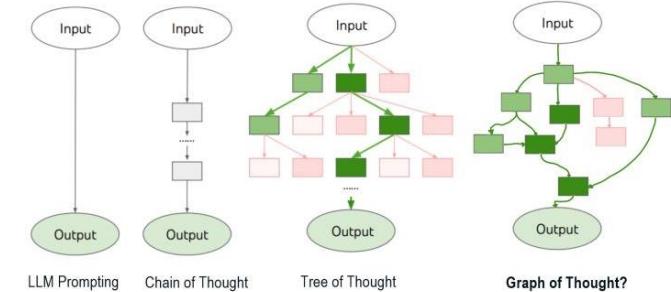
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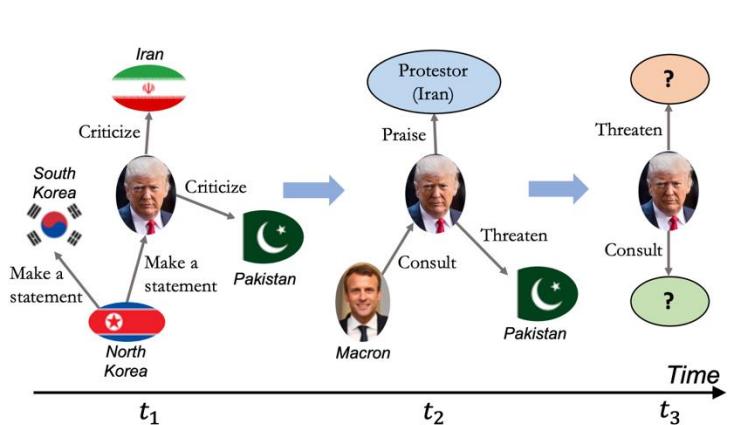
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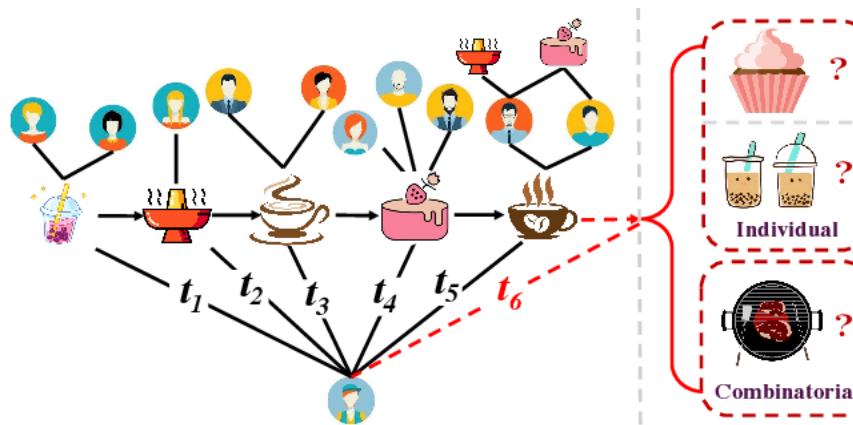
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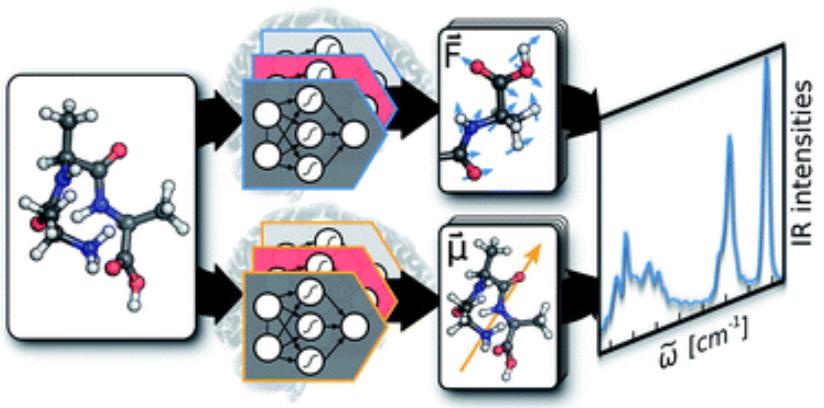
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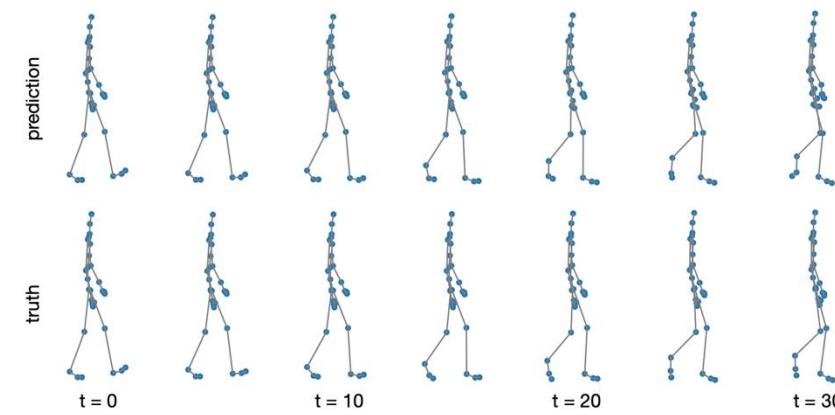
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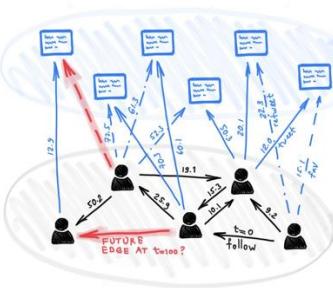


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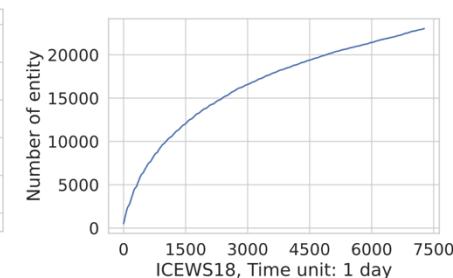
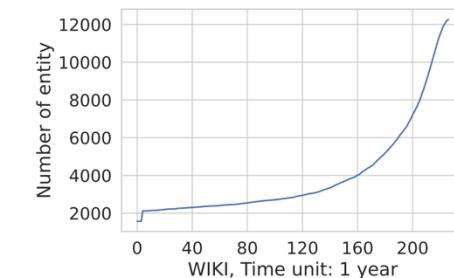
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- Graphs have time-evolving components, e.g.,

- Topology structures
  - Add/delete nodes
  - Add/delete edges

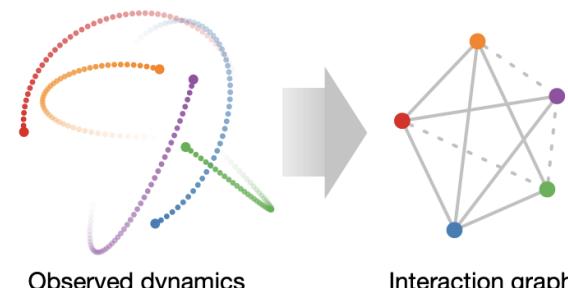


*Dynamic edges* [1]



*Dynamic node set* [2]

- Input features
  - Node-level features
  - Edge-level features
  - ...



*Dynamic node&edge features* [3]

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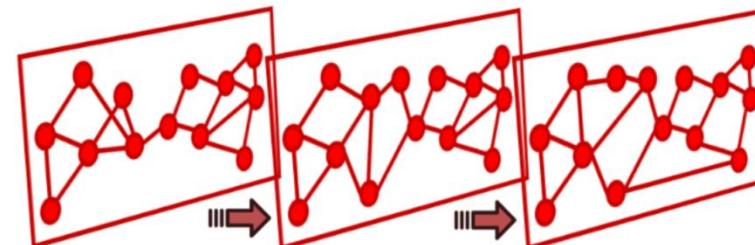
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# Temporal Graphs – Definition

- Discrete-time vs. continuous-time temporal graphs

- Discrete-time temporal graphs

- $\mathcal{G} = \{\mathcal{G}_1, \dots, \mathcal{G}_{T-1}, \mathcal{G}_T\}$ ,
- where  $\mathcal{G}_t = (\mathcal{E}_t, \mathcal{V}_t, \mathcal{X}_t)$  denotes one snapshot.

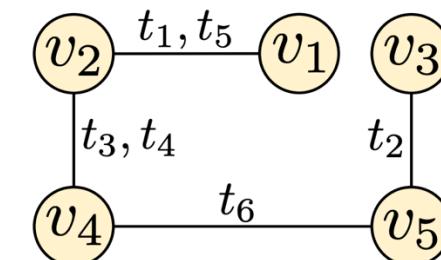


*Discrete-time example [1]*

- Continuous-time temporal graphs

- $G = \{(e_i, e_j, t, +/-)\}$ ,
- where  $e_i, e_j \in \mathcal{E}, 0 \leq t < T$

$(v_1, v_2)$  at time  $t_1, t_5$   
 $(v_3, v_5)$  at time  $t_2$   
 $(v_2, v_4)$  at time  $t_3, t_4$   
 $(v_4, v_5)$  at time  $t_6$

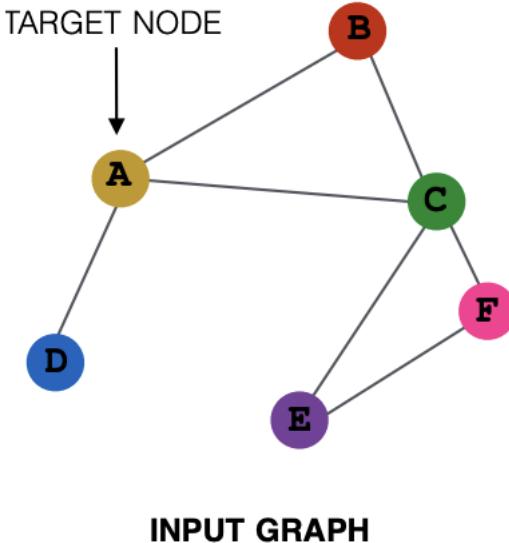


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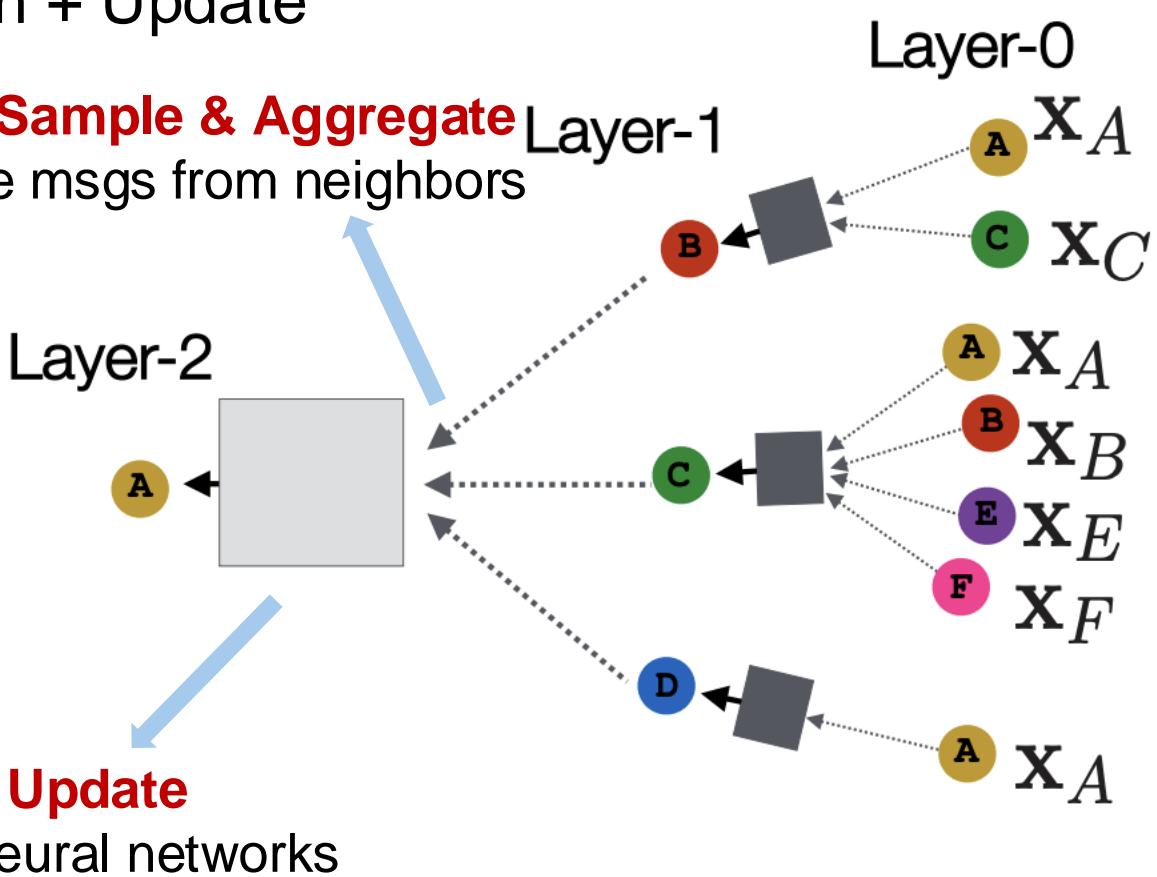
**How to enable deep learning on temporal graphs?**

# Graph Neural Networks (GNNs)

- Nodes have representations at each layer, where layer-0 representations are input features  $X$ .
- Basic operations: Sample & Aggregation + Update

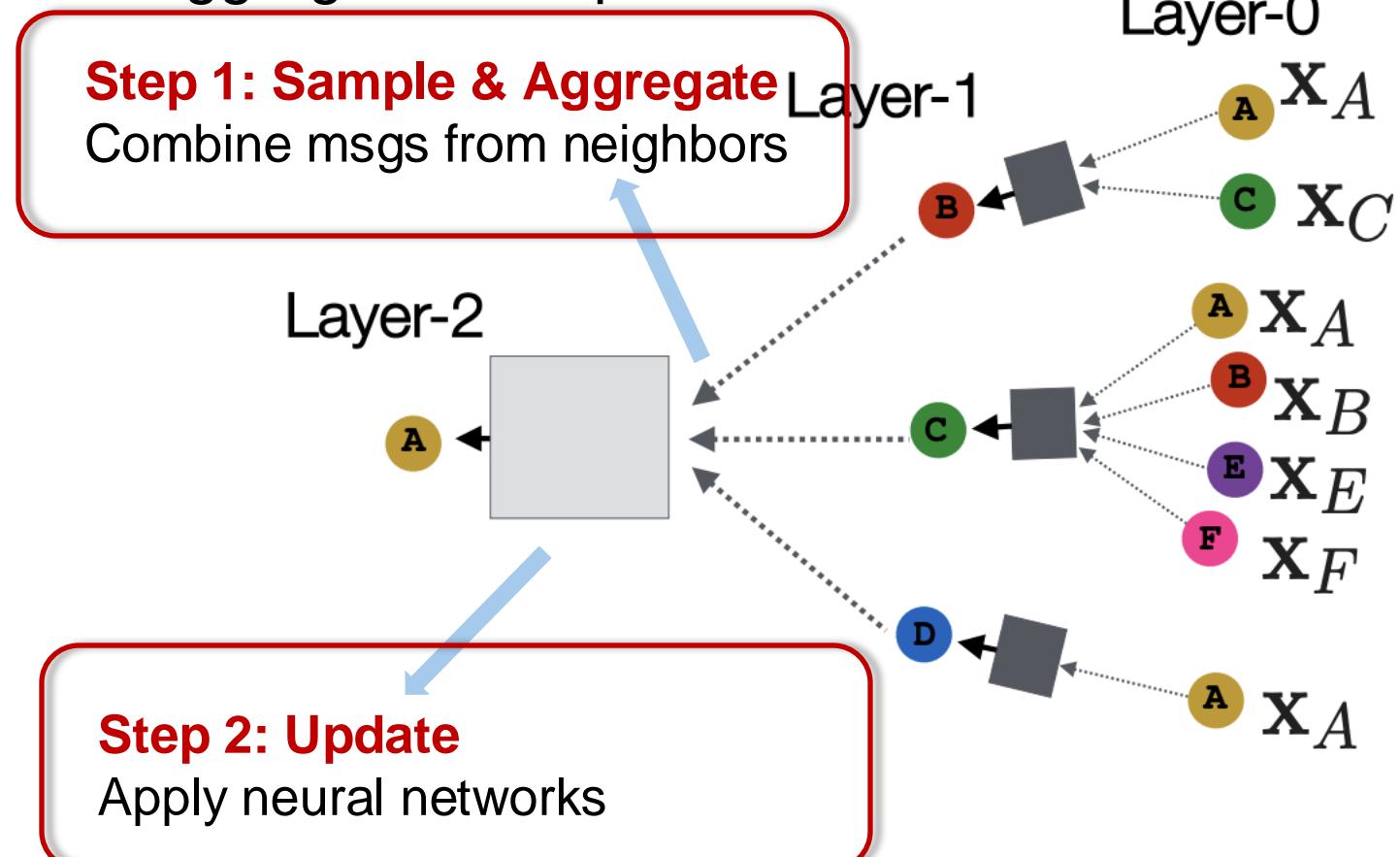
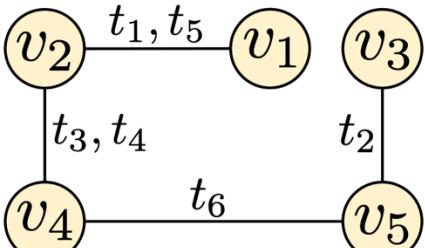
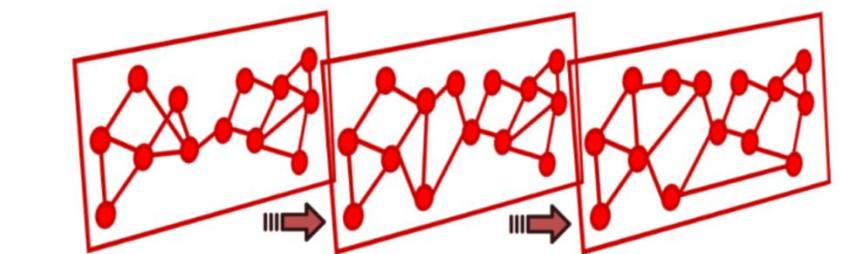


**Step 1: Sample & Aggregate**  
Combine msgs from neighbors



# Temporal Graph Neural Networks (TGNNs)

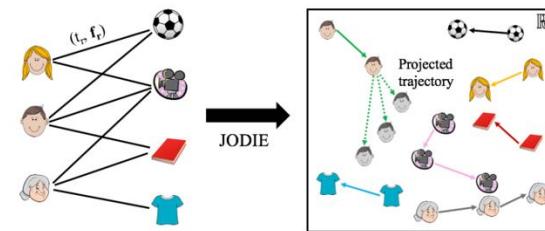
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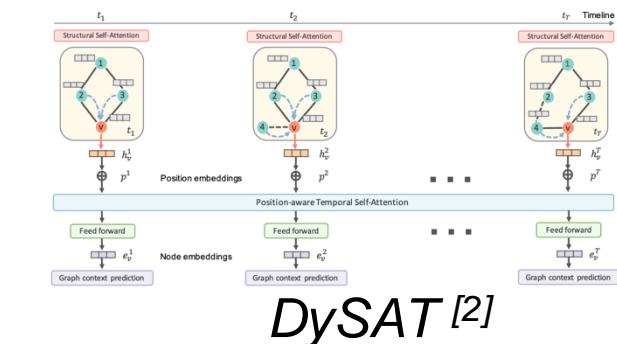
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## □ Categories of TGNNs

### □ TGNN with RNN



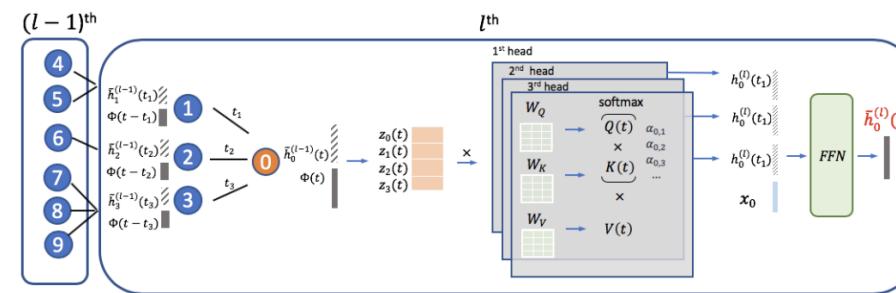
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### □ TGNN with self attention

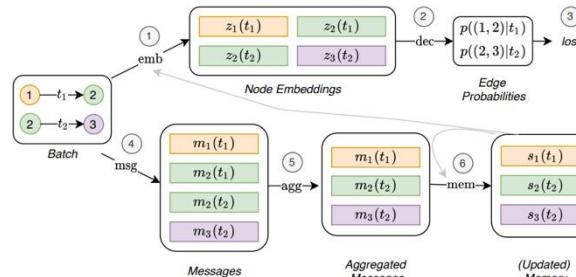
### □ TGNN with memory



*TGAT* [3]

### □ TGNN with memory & self attention

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*TGN* [4]

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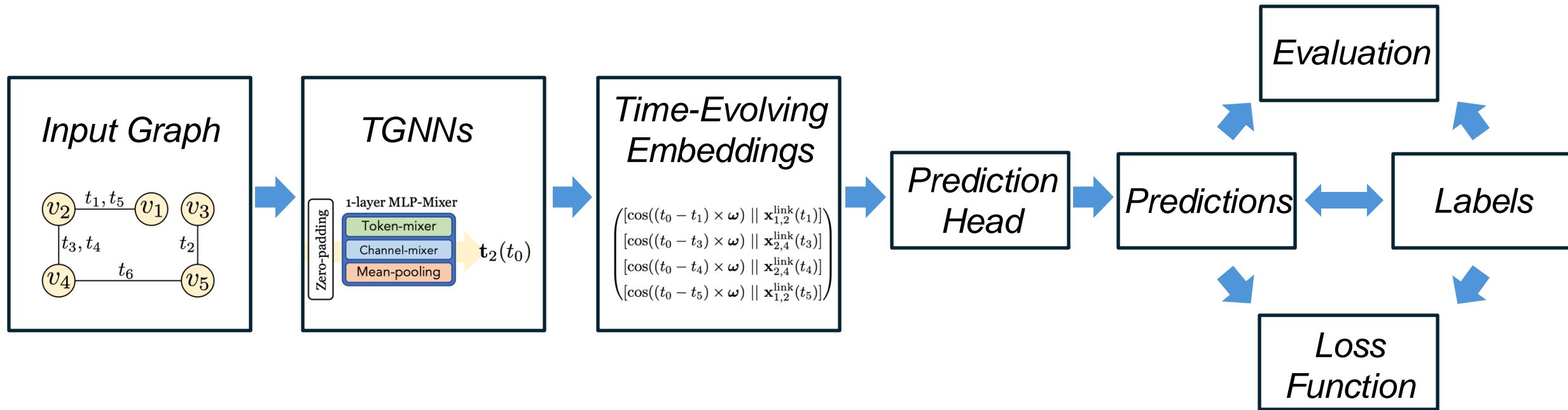
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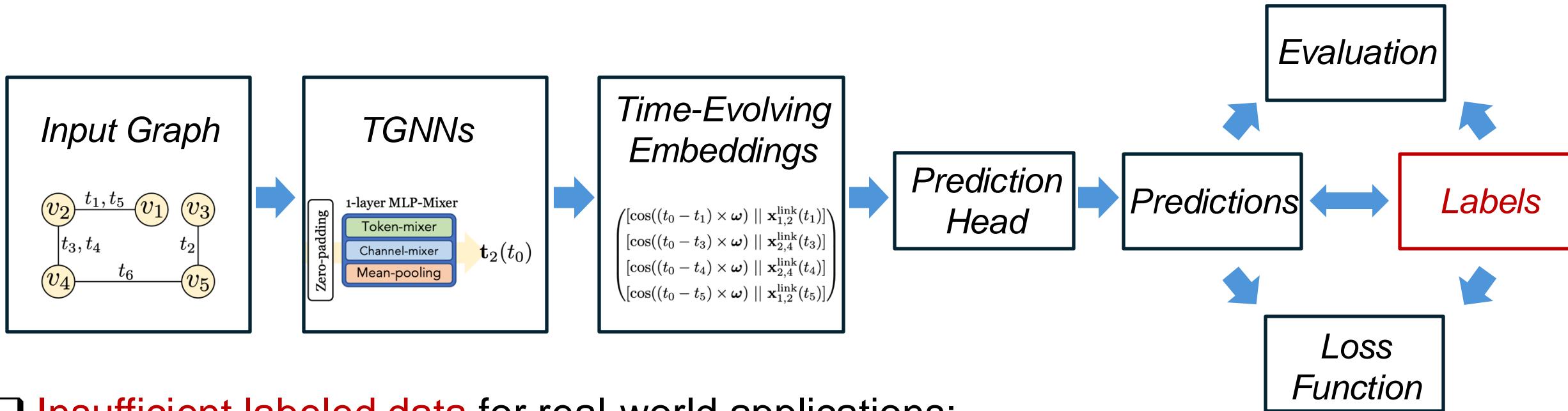
# Training and inference pipeline of TGNNs

- Representation learning + task-related optimization.



# Data-Efficiency Issue of TGNNs

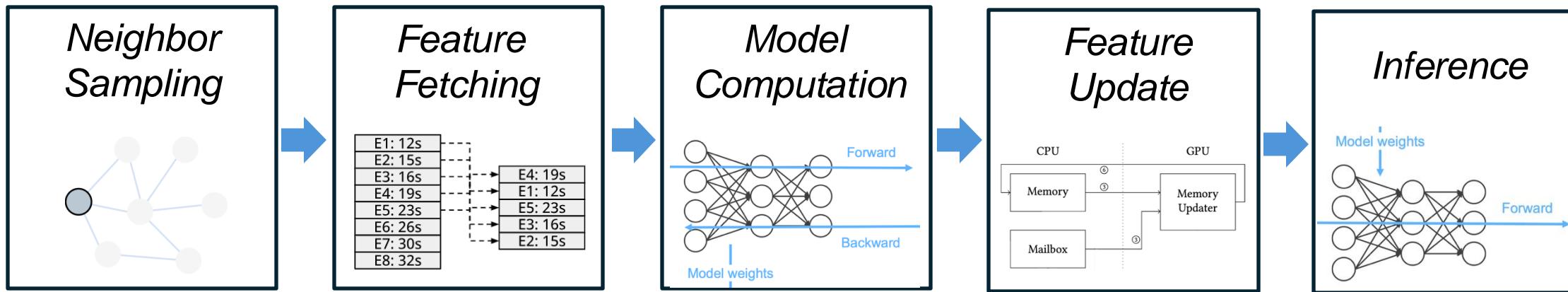
- Training TGNNs requires relatively abundant labeled data.



- Insufficient labeled data for real-world applications:
  - Indirect labels
  - Scarcity of task-specific labels
  - Limited labels for new tasks/distributions

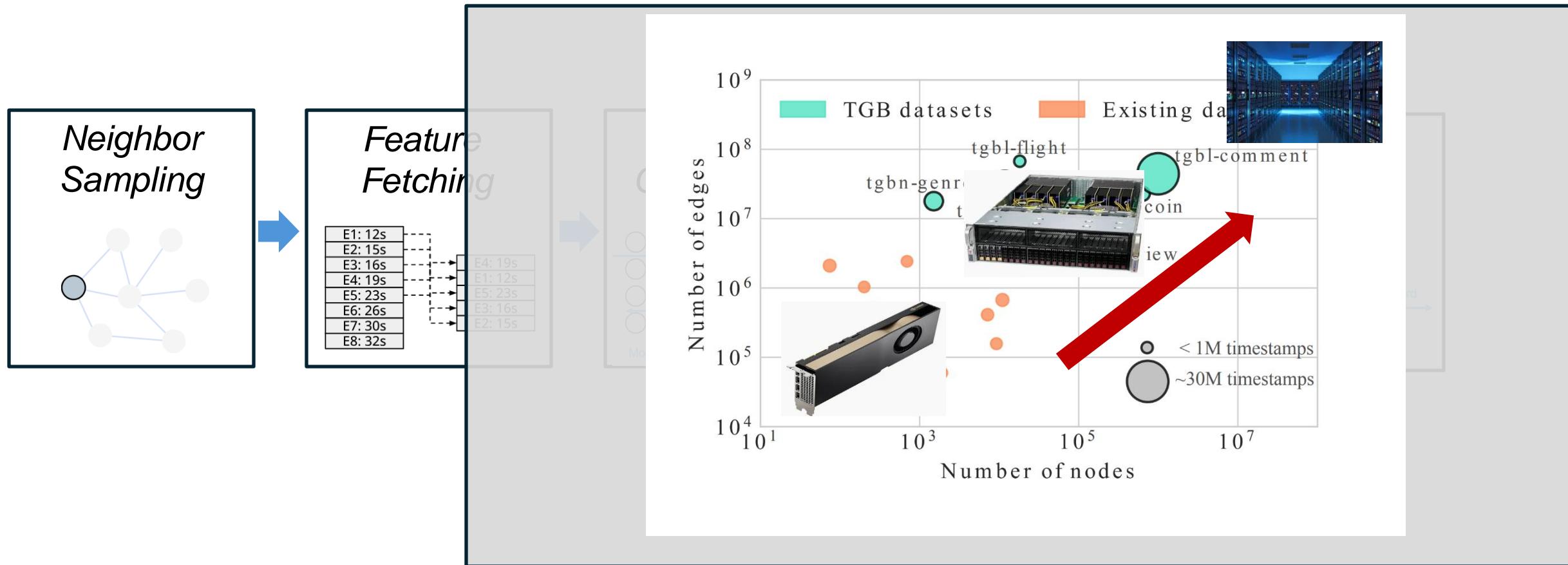
# Computation pipeline of TGNNs

- ❑ Training computation
- ❑ Inference computation

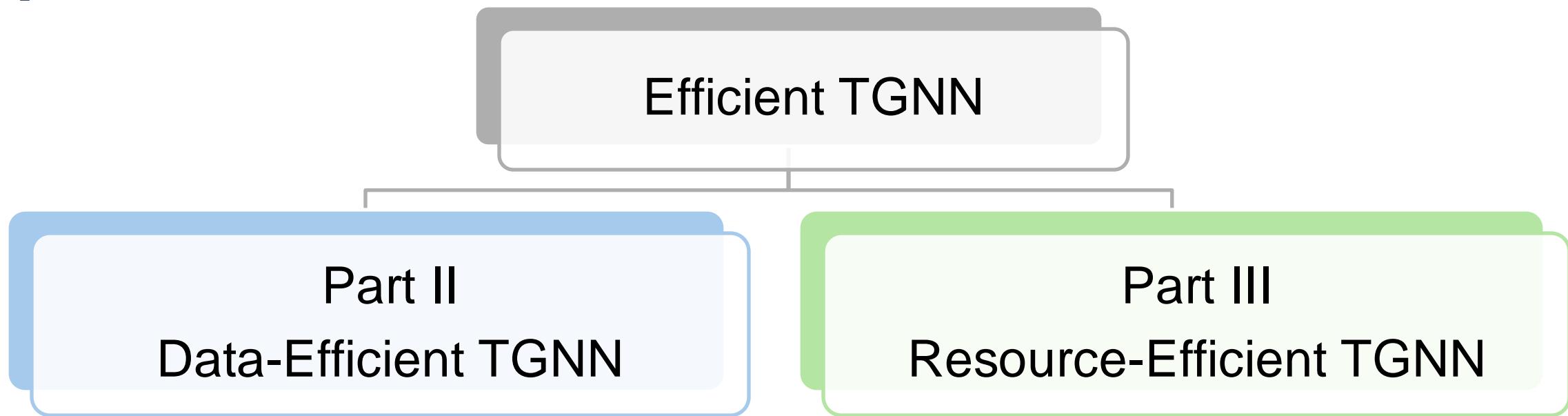


# Resource-Efficiency Issue of TGNNs

- Fast growing of temporal graphs v.s. limited resources

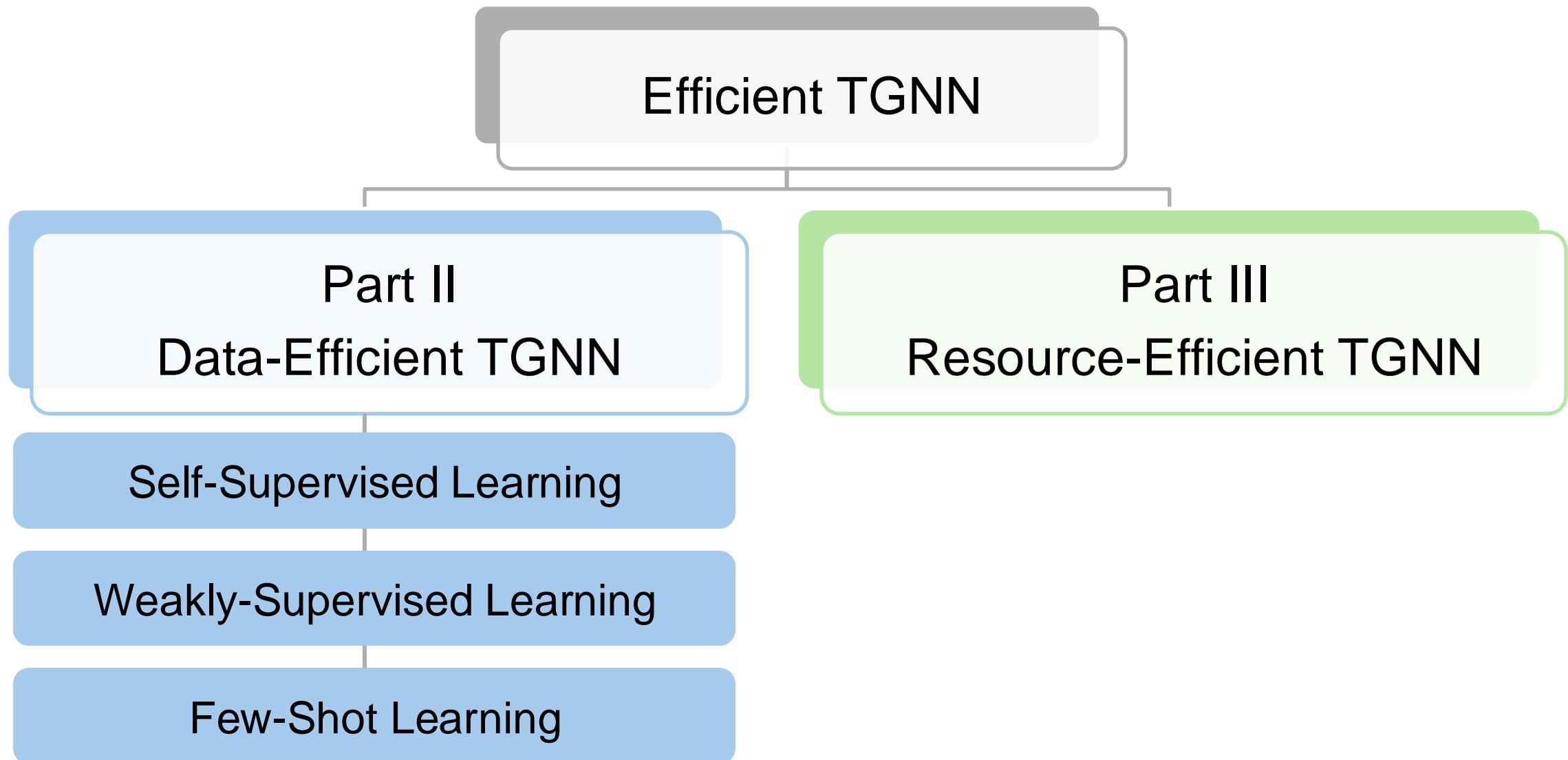


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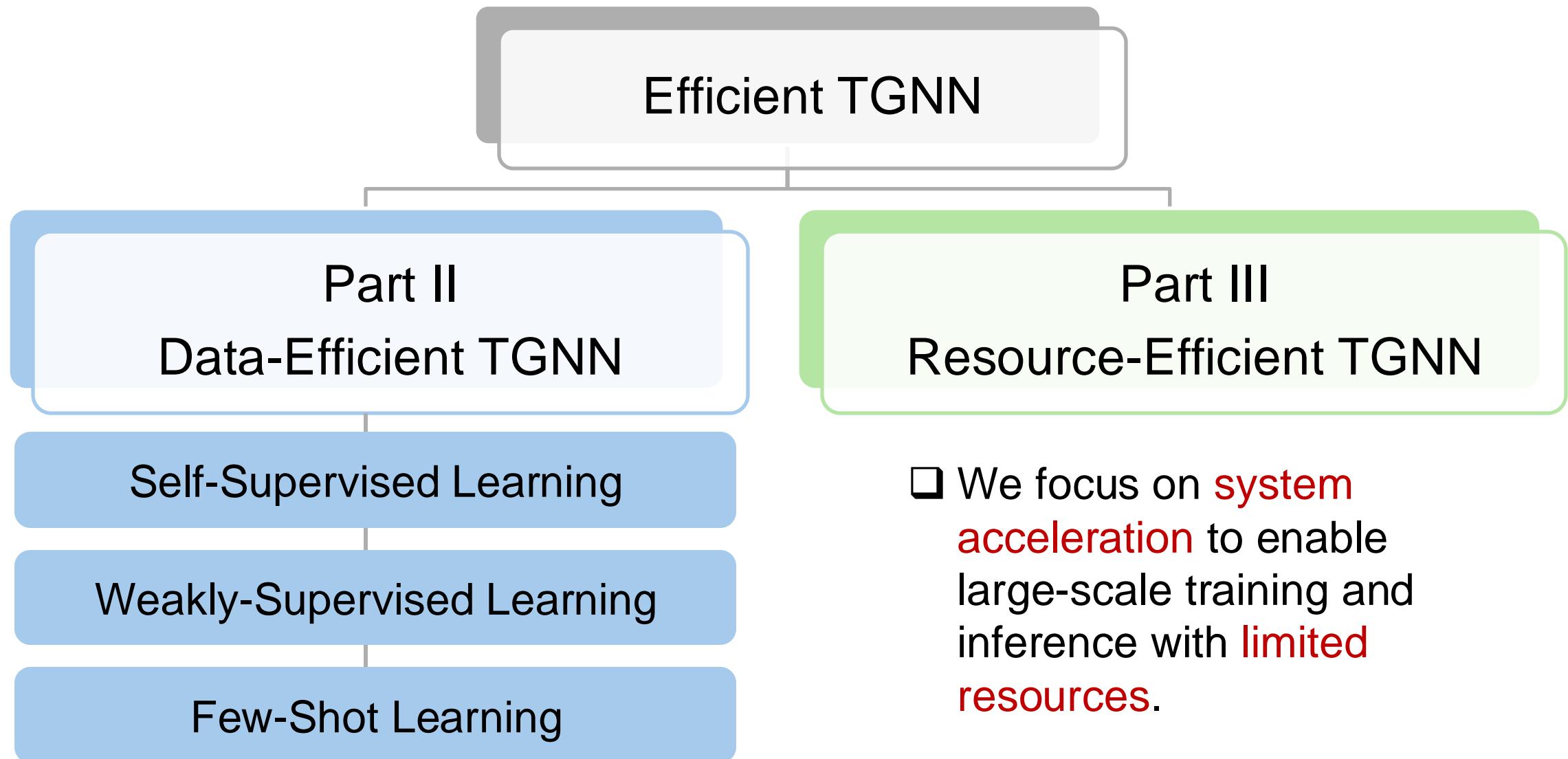


- We focus on **algorithm design** and **optimization techniques** to address the challenges posed by **insufficient labels**.

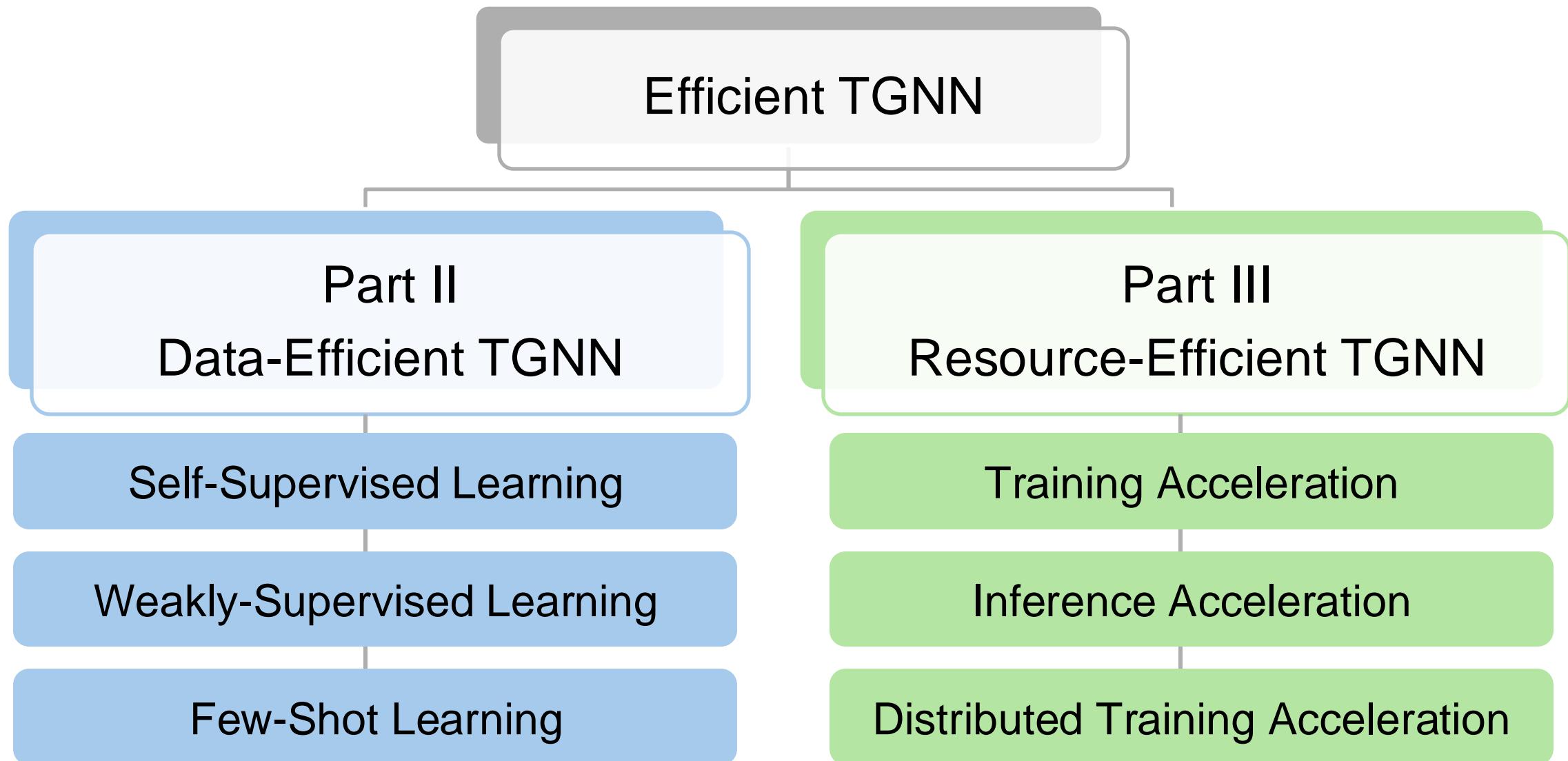
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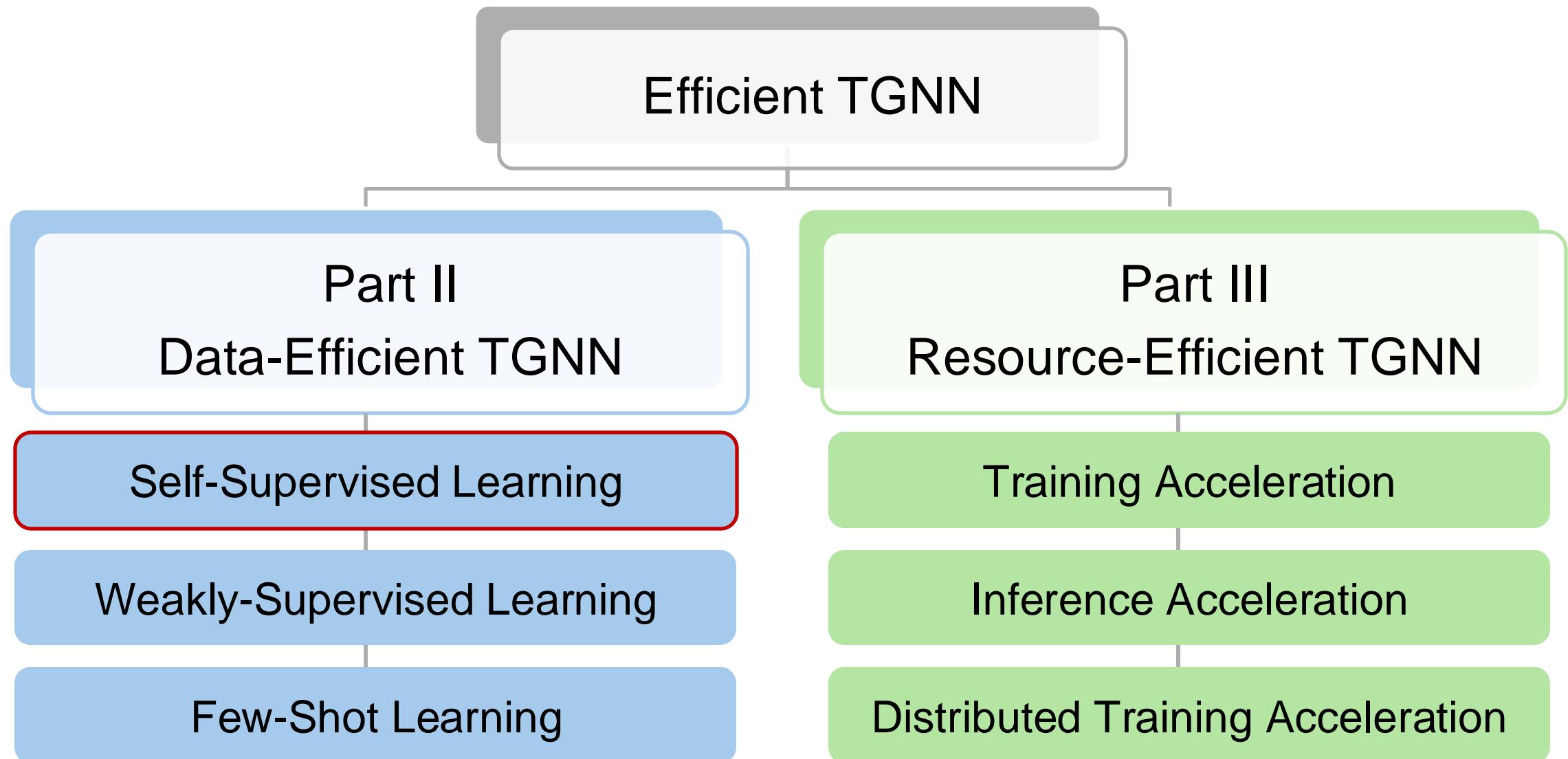
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# Self-Supervised Learning on Temporal Graphs

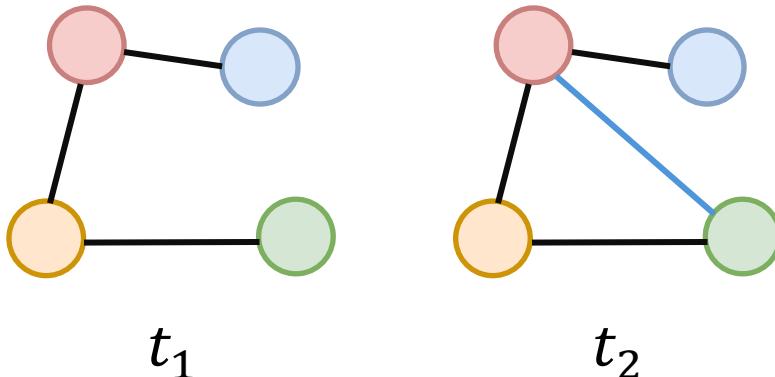
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- **Self-Supervision by Multiview Consistency**

# Introduction – Self-Supervised Learning (SSL)

- Learning useful representations **without requiring labeled data**.
- Relies on the **inherent structure** and **temporal dynamics** of the graph itself.

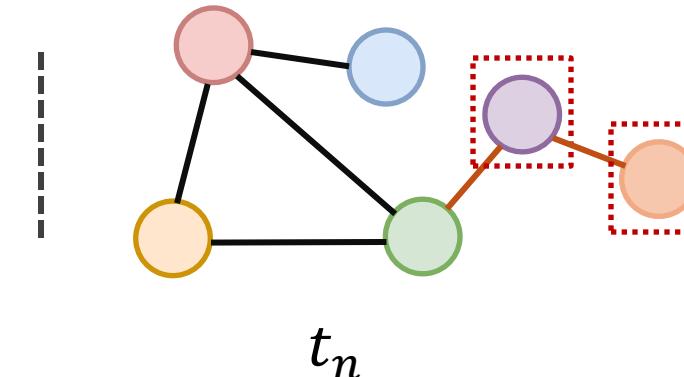
## Transductive Task

Examine node embeddings that have been observed in training, via the future link prediction task and the node classification.



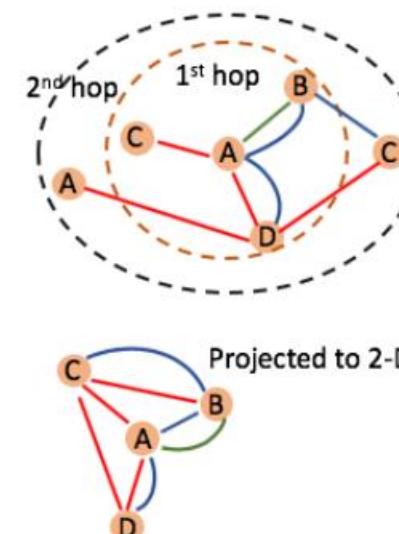
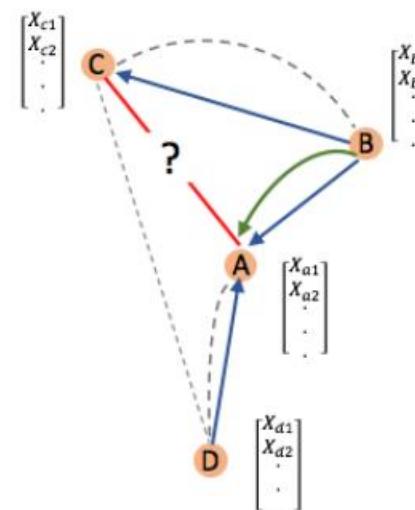
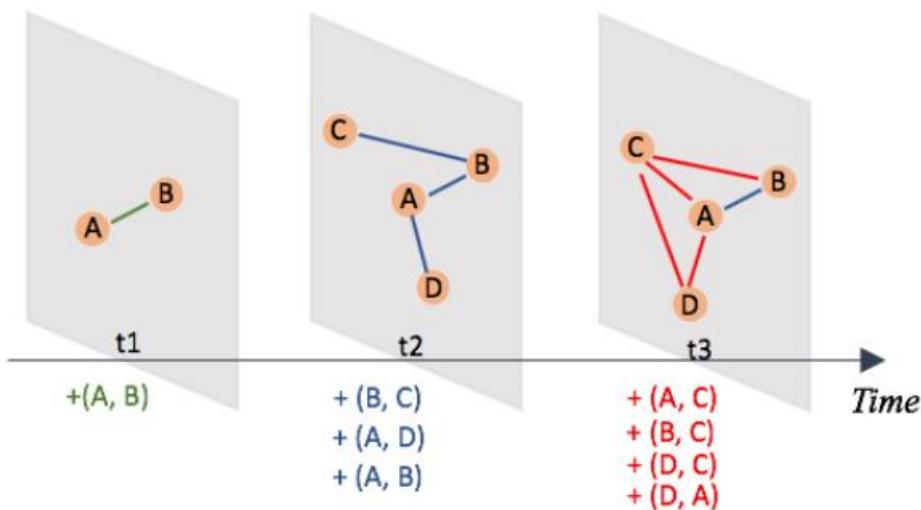
## Inductive Task

Examine inferred representations of **unseen** node by predicting the future links between unseen nodes and classify them based on their inferred embedding dynamically



# Challenges on Temporal Graphs

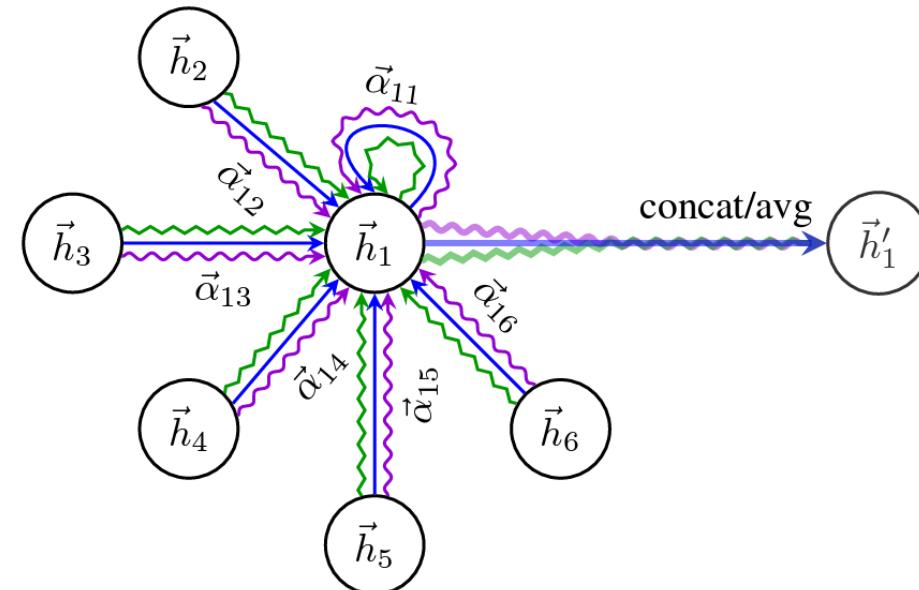
- **Challenge 1:** Node embeddings should also function of time.
- **Challenge 2:** Temporal constraints on neighborhood aggregation methods.
- **Challenge 3:** Possibly multiple node interactions.



# Background – Attention Mechanism on Graphs

- Query neighbors by keys derived from their representations, aggregating their value by the attention weight.

$$\text{Attn}(\mathbf{Q}, \mathbf{K}, \mathbf{V}) = \text{softmax}\left(\frac{\mathbf{Q}\mathbf{K}^\top}{\sqrt{d}}\right)\mathbf{V}$$

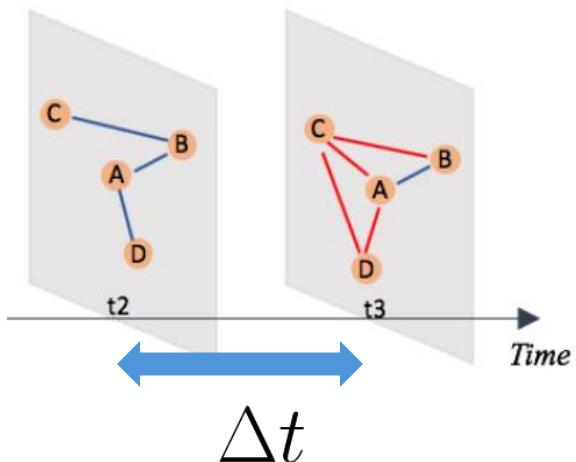


- Question:** How to involve temporal information?

# Background – Time Encoding

- A form of “**positional encoding**” concatenated to the node representation.
- Generate a vector encoding given a real number.
- Encoding represents time span rather than absolute value of time  
(Translation-invariance).

$$\mathcal{K}(t_1, t_2) := \langle \Phi(t_1), \Phi(t_2) \rangle \quad \mathcal{K}(t_1 + c, t_2 + c) = \mathcal{K}(t_1, t_2)$$



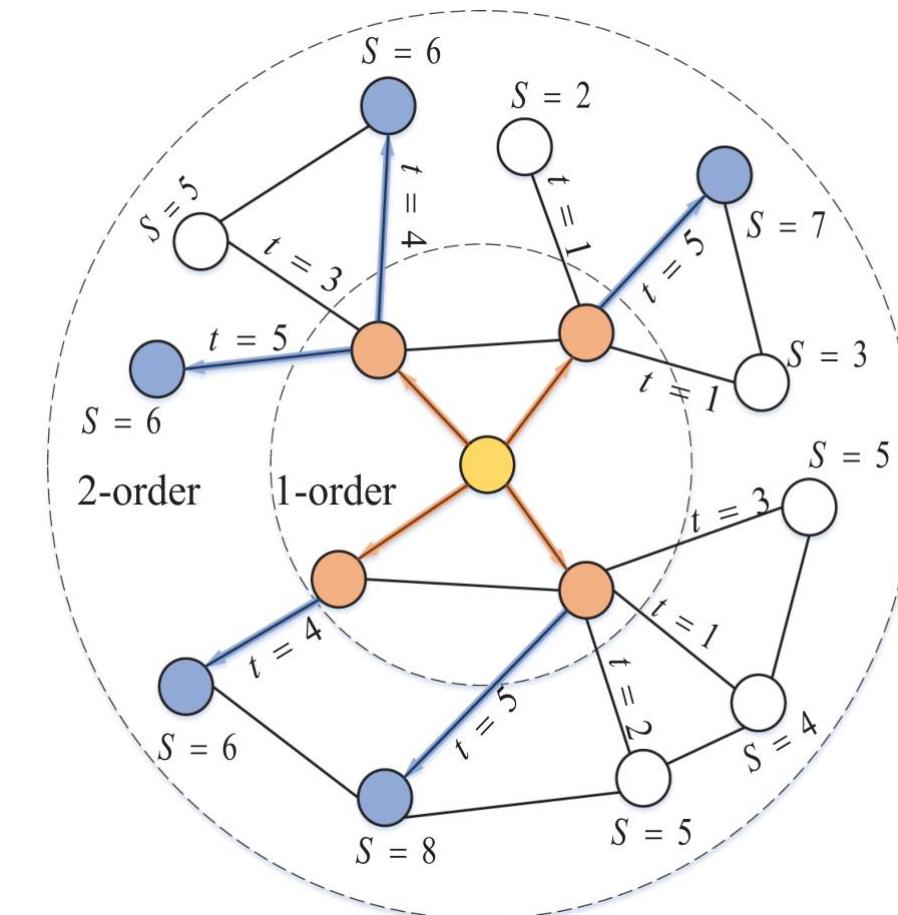
Using Bochner's Theorem and Monte Carlo approximation:

$$\mathcal{K}(t_1, t_2) \approx \frac{1}{d} \sum_{i=1}^d \cos(\omega_i t_1) \cos(\omega_i t_2) + \sin(\omega_i t_1) \sin(\omega_i t_2)$$

$$t \mapsto \Phi_d(t) := \sqrt{\frac{1}{d}} [\cos(\omega_1 t), \sin(\omega_1 t), \dots, \cos(\omega_d t), \sin(\omega_d t)]$$

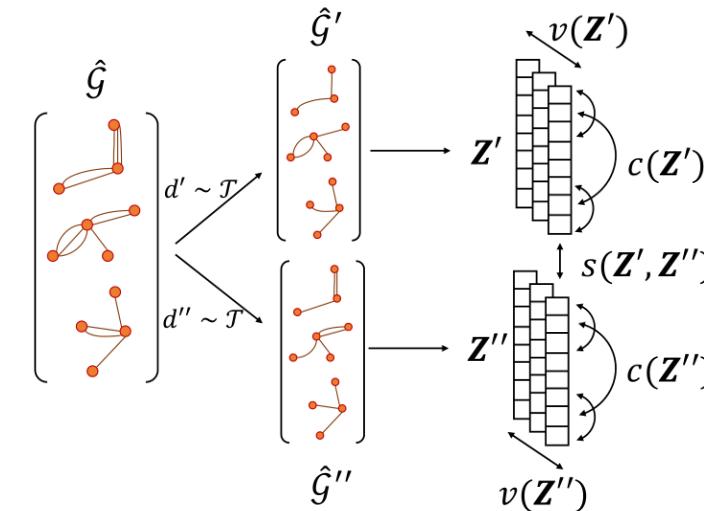
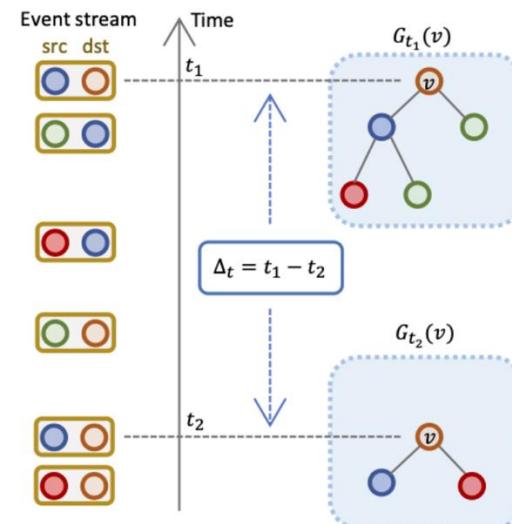
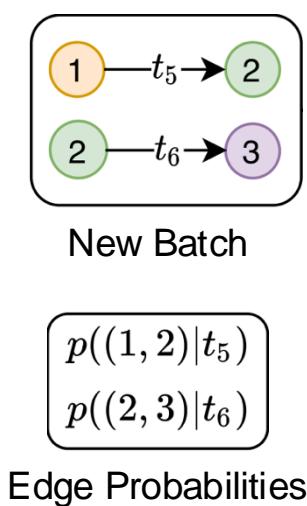
# Background – Temporal Subgraph Sampling

- Temporal subgraph sampling is key to batch-wise training and contrastive pair construction.
- Message passing directions must align with the observed chronological orders.
- Given a target number of nodes for subgraph, candidates can be further weighted by structural or temporal importance.
  - Degree, centrality, or PageRank
  - Time elapsed.



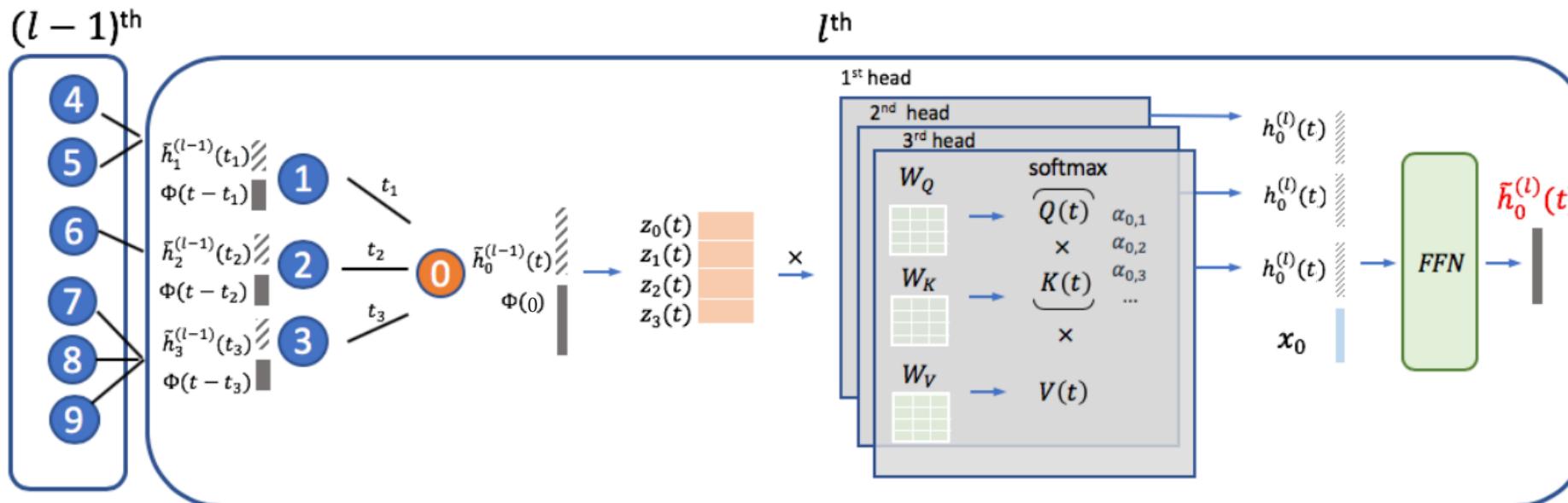
# Introduction – Self-Supervised Learning (SSL)

- SSL paradigms typically generate supervision signals through designed tasks:
  - Transductive future link reconstruction. *Loss is based on cross entropy.*
  - Contrastive learning: learning from positive and negative pair of examples. *Loss is based on similarity measure.*
  - Multiview consistency: representations should be robust under perturbations and agree with each other. *Loss is based on regularizations.*



# SSL by Reconstruction: TGAT

- **Objective:** Produce time-aware representation for a target node at time point  $t$ .
- **Motivation:** Analogous to GraphSAGE or GAT, takes temporal neighborhood with hidden representations and timestamps, and aggregate.
- **Method:** A local aggregation operator, using attention mechanism.



- **Link prediction loss:**  $\ell = \sum_{(v_i, v_j, t_{ij}) \in \mathcal{E}} -\log \left( \sigma(-\tilde{\mathbf{h}}_i^l(t_{ij})^\top \tilde{\mathbf{h}}_j^l(t_{ij})) \right) - Q \cdot \mathbb{E}_{v_q \sim P_n(v)} \log \left( \sigma(\tilde{\mathbf{h}}_i^l(t_{ij})^\top \tilde{\mathbf{h}}_q^l(t_{ij})) \right)$

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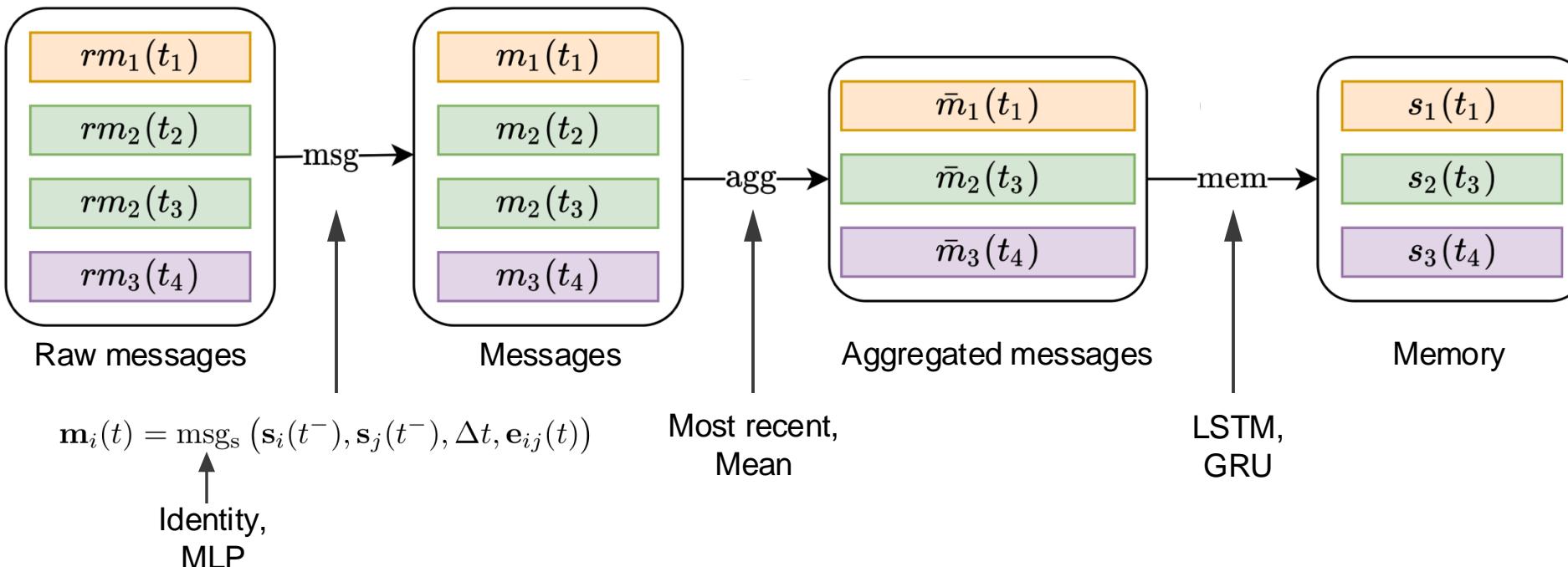
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GAE	74.31 (0.5)	93.23 (0.3)	72.85 (0.7)	91.44 (0.1)	68.92 (0.3)	81.15 (0.2)
VAGE	74.19 (0.4)	92.92 (0.2)	78.01 (0.3)	91.34 (0.3)	67.81 (0.4)	80.87 (0.3)
DeepWalk	71.43 (0.6)	83.10 (0.5)	76.67 (0.5)	90.71 (0.6)	65.87 (0.3)	80.93 (0.2)
Node2vec	72.53 (0.4)	84.58 (0.5)	78.09 (0.4)	91.48 (0.3)	66.64 (0.3)	81.39 (0.3)
CTDNE	73.76 (0.5)	91.41 (0.3)	79.42 (0.4)	92.17 (0.5)	67.81 (0.3)	80.95 (0.5)
GAT	92.14 (0.2)	97.33 (0.2)	87.34 (0.3)	94.73 (0.2)	69.58 (0.4)	81.51 (0.2)
GAT+T	92.47 (0.2)	97.62 (0.2)	87.57 (0.2)	95.14 (0.4)	70.15 (0.3)	82.66 (0.4)
GraphSAGE	92.31(0.2)	97.65 (0.2)	85.93 (0.3)	93.56 (0.3)	70.19 (0.2)	83.27 (0.3)
GraphSAGE+T	92.58 (0.2)	97.89 (0.3)	86.31 (0.3)	93.72 (0.3)	71.84 (0.3)	84.95 (0.)
Const-TGAT	91.39 (0.2)	97.86 (0.2)	86.03 (0.4)	93.50 (0.3)	68.52 (0.2)	81.91 (0.3)
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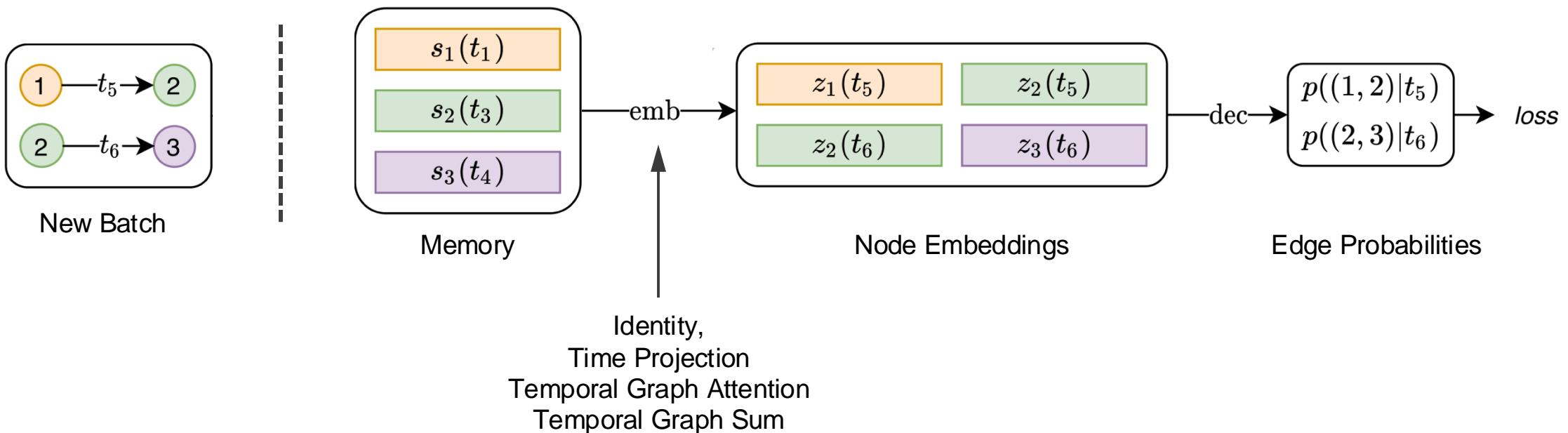
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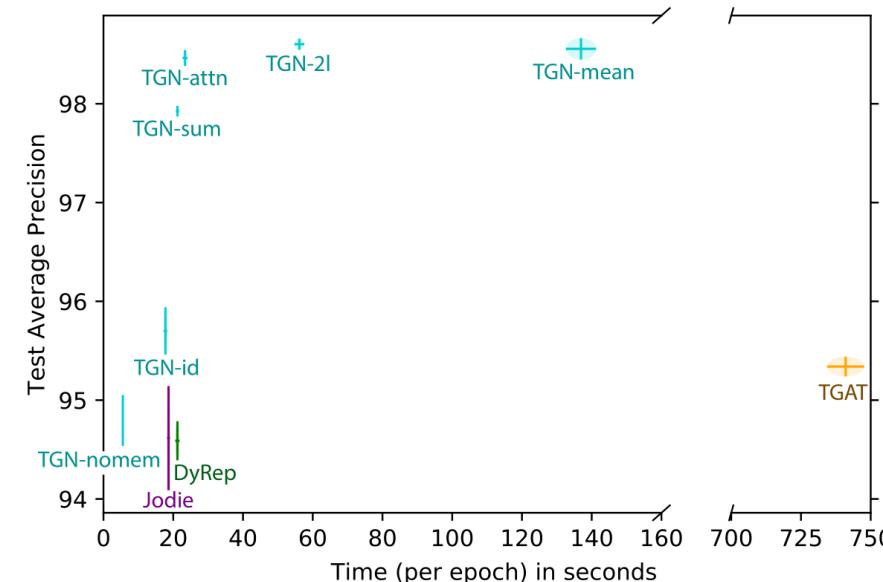
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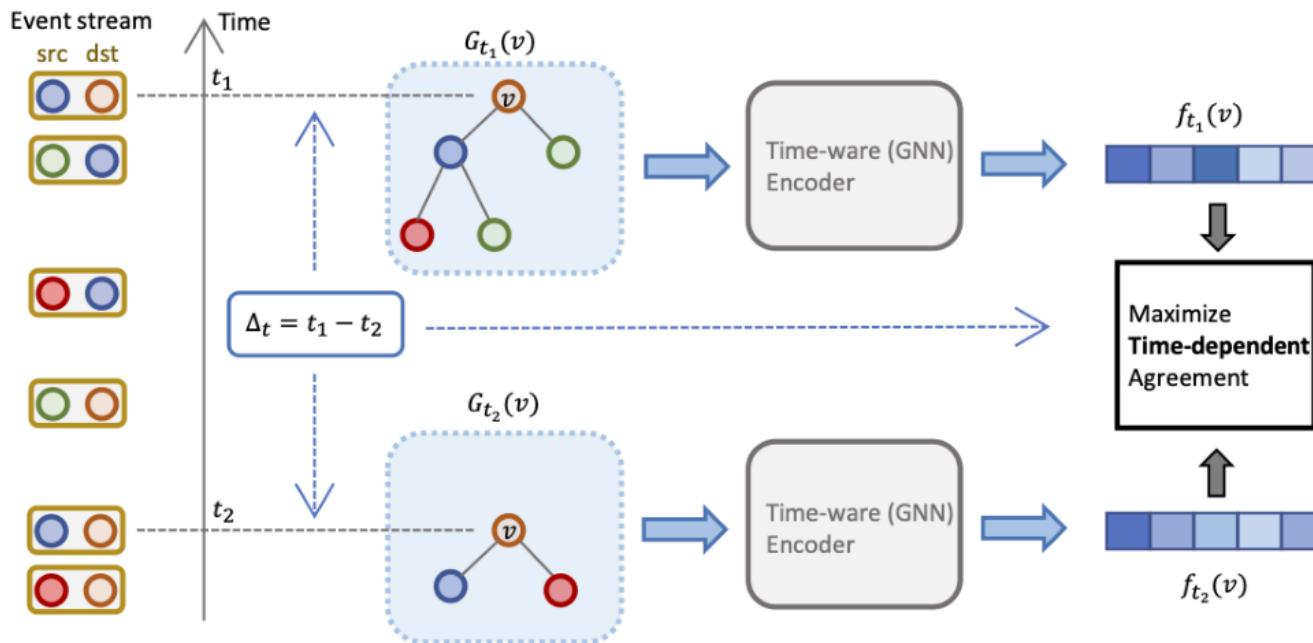
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Node2Vec*	91.48 ± 0.3	†	84.58 ± 0.5	†	—	†
GAT*	<b>94.73</b> ± 0.2	91.27 ± 0.4	97.33 ± 0.2	95.37 ± 0.3	67.57 ± 0.4	62.32 ± 0.5
GraphSAGE*	93.56 ± 0.3	91.09 ± 0.3	97.65 ± 0.2	<b>96.27</b> ± 0.2	65.79 ± 0.6	60.13 ± 0.6
CTDNE	92.17 ± 0.5	†	91.41 ± 0.3	†	—	†
Jodie	94.62 ± 0.5	<b>93.11</b> ± 0.4	97.11 ± 0.3	94.36 ± 1.1	<b>85.20</b> ± 2.4	<b>79.83</b> ± 2.5
TGAT	<b>95.34</b> ± 0.1	<b>93.99</b> ± 0.3	<b>98.12</b> ± 0.2	<b>96.62</b> ± 0.3	70.02 ± 0.6	66.35 ± 0.8
DyRep	94.59 ± 0.2	92.05 ± 0.3	<b>97.98</b> ± 0.1	95.68 ± 0.2	<b>83.52</b> ± 3.0	<b>78.38</b> ± 4.0
<b>TGN-attn</b>	<b>98.46</b> ± 0.1	<b>97.81</b> ± 0.1	<b>98.70</b> ± 0.1	<b>97.55</b> ± 0.1	<b>94.52</b> ± 0.5	<b>91.37</b> ± 1.1



# SSL by Contrastive Learning: TGAT-CL

- **Motivation:** Node representation process is in general “smooth”.
- **Method:** Contrast the same node representation over time.



$$\text{sim}(x, y) = x^T \Omega y \quad \Omega(t_x, t_y) = \Omega(|t_x - t_y|)$$

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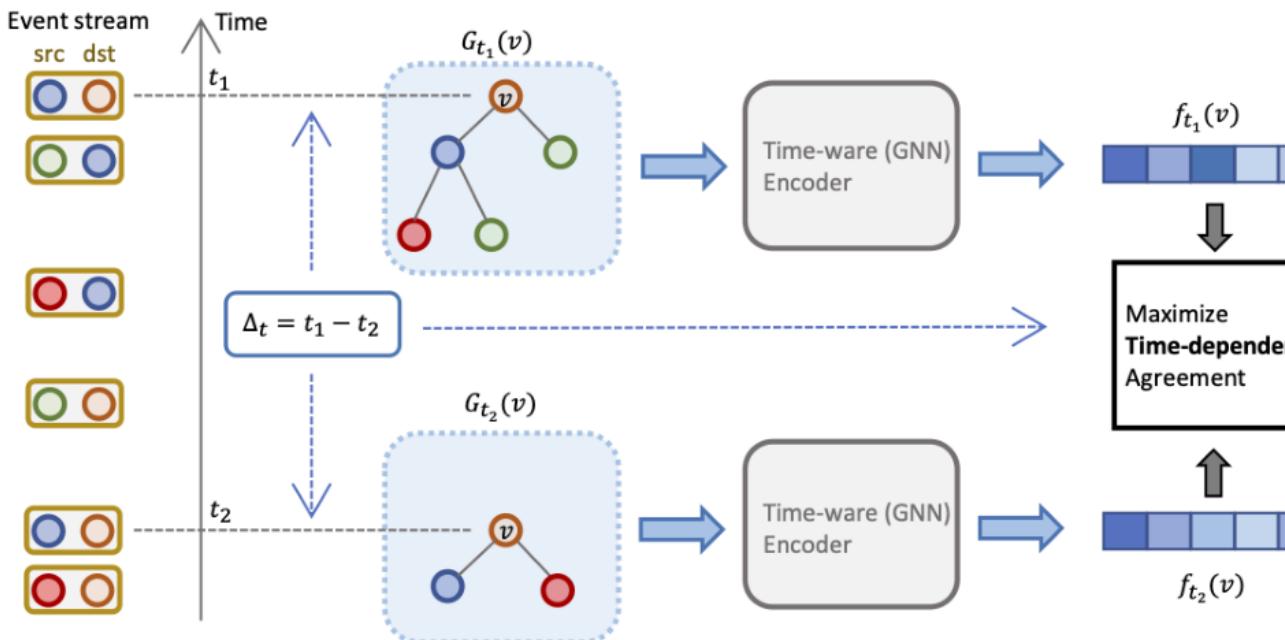
**Algorithm 1** Temporal view construction with a given anchor

**Require:** Anchor  $x = (v, t, G_t^k(v))$ , desired number of hops  $k$ , sampling duration proportion  $\gamma$ , event stream  $\mathcal{E}$ .

- 1: **if** No events in  $\mathcal{E}$  with target  $v$  happens during  $((1 - \gamma)t, t)$  **then return**
  - 2: Sample  $t^+ \sim \text{Unif}((1 - \gamma)t, t)$
  - 3: Construct  $k$ -hop temporal graph  $G_{t^+}^k(v)$  of  $v$  at  $t^+$ .
  - 4: **return**  $x^+ = (v, t^+, G_{t^+}^k(v))$
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- **Contrastive Loss:**  $-\mathbb{E}_x \left[ \mathbb{E}_{x^+ \sim p^+} \log \frac{1}{1 + e^{-\text{sim}(f(x^+), f(x))}} + \mathbb{E}_{x^- \sim p^-} \log \frac{1}{1 + e^{\text{sim}(f(x^-), f(x))}} \right]$

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- **Debiased Contrastive Loss:**

$$\tau^+ = p(c(x') = c(x))$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{DDGCL}} =$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & - \frac{1}{N} \sum_{x \in X} \sum_{l=1}^{N_{\text{pos}}} \frac{1}{N_{\text{pos}}} \log \frac{1}{1 + e^{-\text{sim}(f(x_l^+), f(x))}} \\
 & - \frac{1}{N(1 - \tau^+)} \sum_{x \in X} \sum_{i=1}^{N_{\text{neg}}} \left( \frac{e^{\beta \text{sim}(f(x_i^-), f(x))}}{\sum_j e^{\beta \text{sim}(f(x_j^-), f(x))}} \right) \log \frac{1}{1 + e^{\text{sim}(f(x_i^-), f(x))}} \\
 & + \frac{\tau^+}{N(1 - \tau^+)} \sum_{x \in X} \sum_{i=1}^{N_{\text{pos}}} \left( \frac{e^{\beta \text{sim}(f(x_i^+), f(x))}}{\sum_j e^{\beta \text{sim}(f(x_j^+), f(x))}} \right) \log \frac{1}{1 + e^{\text{sim}(f(x_i^+), f(x))}}
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# SSL by Contrastive Learning: TGAT-CL

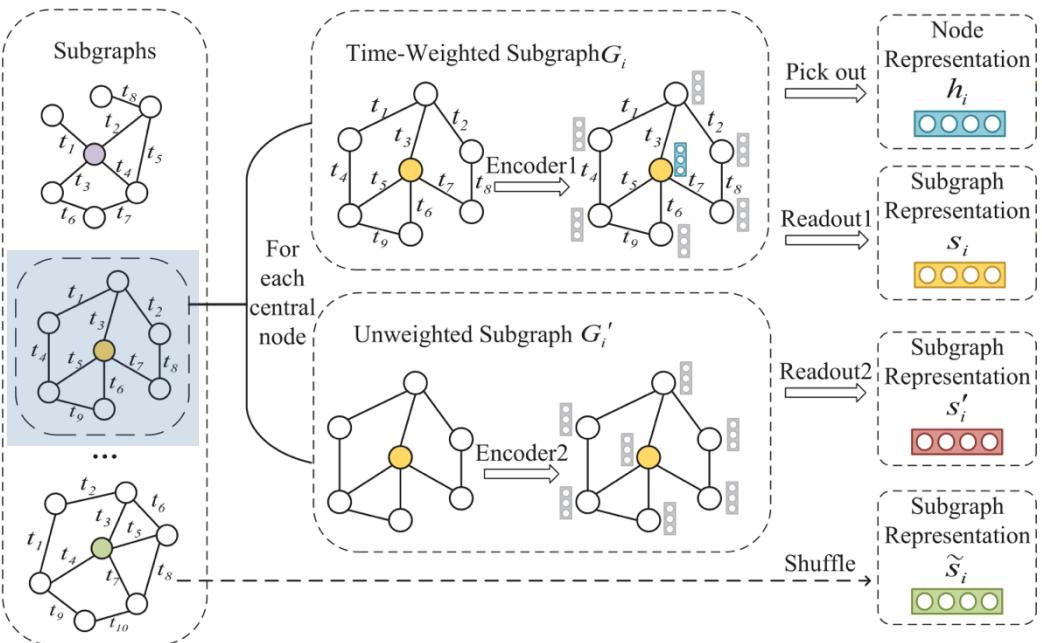
- **Motivation:** Dynamic node classification performance in average AUC and dynamic link prediction performance in average precision.

	Wikipedia	Reddit	MOOC
GAT [41]	$82.34 \pm 0.8$	$64.52 \pm 0.5$	$66.21 \pm 0.4$
GraphSAGE [15]	$82.42 \pm 0.7$	$61.24 \pm 0.6$	$65.17 \pm 0.5$
JODIE [23]	$84.84 \pm 1.2$	$61.83 \pm 2.7$	$66.69 \pm 0.9$
CAW-N [43]	$86.77 \pm 0.3$	$67.46 \pm 0.8$	$68.77 \pm 0.4$
TGN (S) [35]	$86.80 \pm 1.1$	$64.03 \pm 1.0$	$69.89 \pm 0.6$
TGN [35]	<b><math>88.56 \pm 0.3</math></b>	<b><math>68.63 \pm 0.7</math></b>	<b><math>71.64 \pm 0.3</math></b>
TGAT(S) [46]	$81.28 \pm 0.7$	$64.80 \pm 0.8$	$68.28 \pm 0.4$
TGAT [46]	$83.69 \pm 0.7$	$65.56 \pm 0.7$	$69.46 \pm 0.4$
TGAT-CL(PF)	<b><math>87.48 \pm 0.5</math></b>	<b><math>68.71 \pm 0.7</math></b>	<b><math>73.41 \pm 0.3</math></b>
TGAT-CL(MTL)	<b><math>89.32 \pm 0.5</math></b>	<b><math>71.13 \pm 0.8</math></b>	<b><math>74.54 \pm 0.2</math></b>

	Wikipeida		Reddit	
	Transductive	Inductive	Transductive	Inductive
GAT [41]	$94.73 \pm 0.2$	$91.27 \pm 0.4$	$97.33 \pm 0.2$	$95.37 \pm 0.3$
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CAW-N [43]	<b><math>99.51 \pm 0.1</math></b>	<b><math>99.74 \pm 0.1</math></b>	<b><math>99.72 \pm 0.1</math></b>	<b><math>99.37 \pm 0.1</math></b>
TGN [35]	$98.46 \pm 0.3$	$97.81 \pm 0.1$	<b><math>98.70 \pm 0.1</math></b>	$97.55 \pm 0.1$
TGAT [46]	$95.34 \pm 0.1$	$93.99 \pm 0.3$	$98.12 \pm 0.2$	$96.62 \pm 0.3$
TGAT-CL(PF)	<b><math>98.54 \pm 0.1</math></b>	<b><math>98.22 \pm 0.1</math></b>	$98.63 \pm 0.1$	<b><math>98.19 \pm 0.1</math></b>
TGAT-CL(MTL)	<b><math>98.79 \pm 0.1</math></b>	<b><math>99.06 \pm 0.1</math></b>	<b><math>99.13 \pm 0.1</math></b>	<b><math>98.45 \pm 0.1</math></b>

# SSL by Contrastive Learning: DySubC

- **Motivation:** Node vs. subgraph representations; temporal vs. static representations.
- **Method:** Contrast between a positive subgraph sample, a temporal negative sample, and a structural negative sample.



**Readout:**

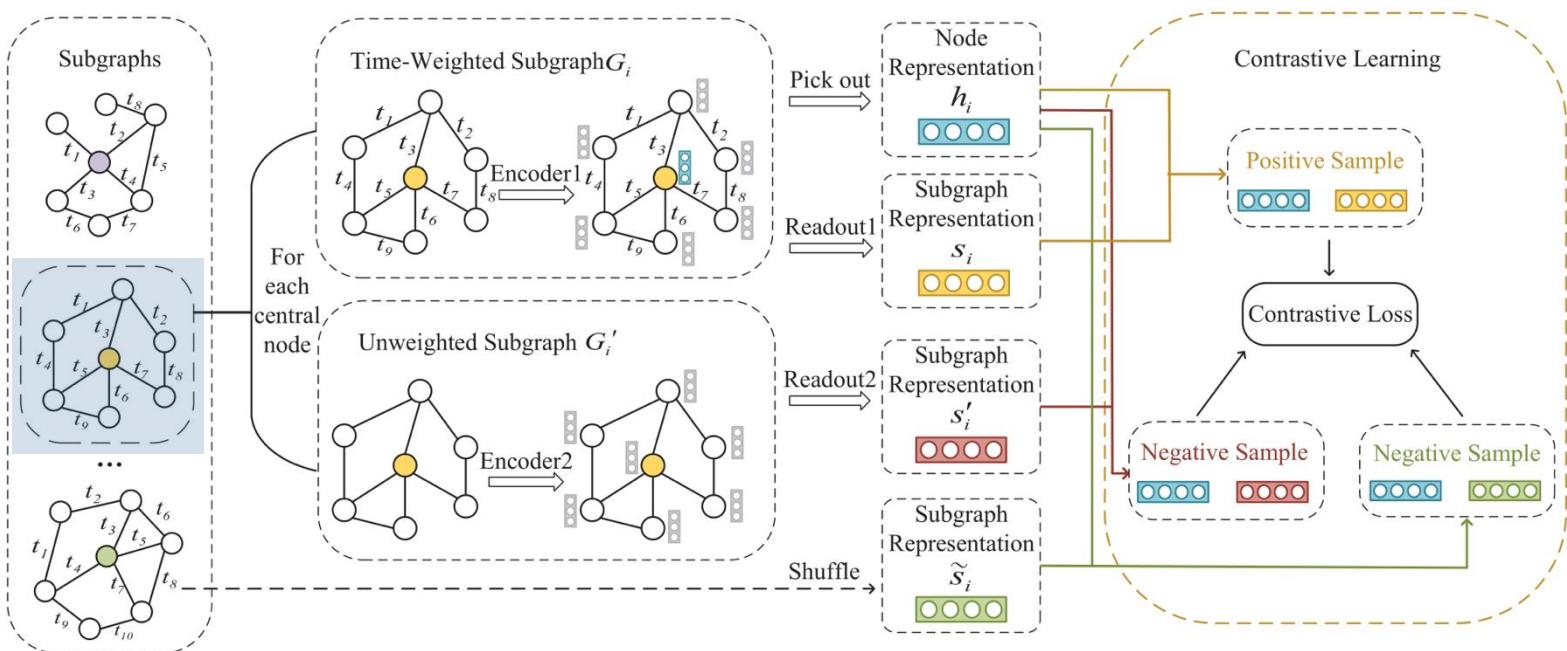
$$Inf_j = \tau(i, j) + \beta \frac{1}{Dist(i, j)}$$

$$s_i = \frac{1}{\sum_{j=1}^k Inf_j} \sum_{j=1}^k Inf_j h_j$$

$$s'_i = \frac{1}{k} \sum_{j=1}^k h'_j$$

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**Training Loss:**

$$\mathcal{L}_1 = \frac{1}{|V|} \sum_{i=1}^{|V|} \mathbb{E}_{(X,A)}(-\max(\sigma(h_i s_i) - \sigma(h_i \tilde{s}_i) + \phi, 0))$$

$$\mathcal{L}_2 = \frac{1}{|V|} \sum_{i=1}^{|V|} \mathbb{E}_{(X,A)}(-\max(\sigma(h_i s_i) - \sigma(h_i s'_i) + \varphi, 0))$$

$$\mathcal{L} = \mathcal{L}_1 + \lambda \mathcal{L}_2$$

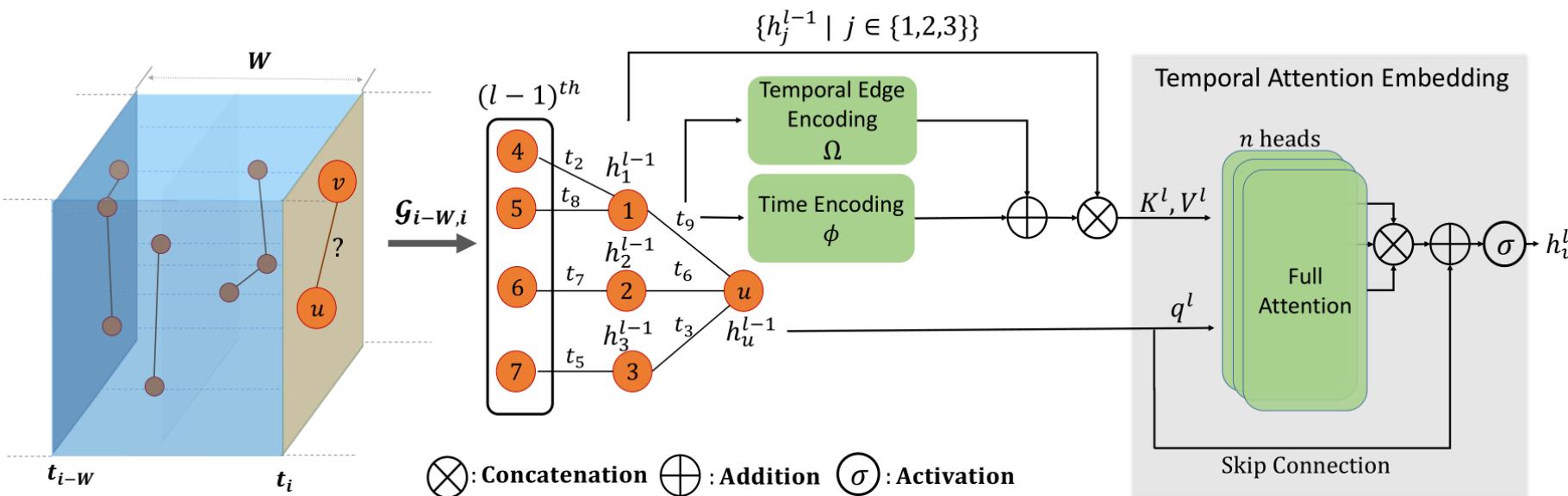
# SSL by Contrastive Learning: DySubC

☐ Experiments: Link prediction in terms of average AUC score and Accuracy.

	Forum		Bitcoin Alpha		Wikipedia		Movielens		Math Overflow	
	AUC	Accuracy								
node2vec	$73.51 \pm 0.5$	$67.03 \pm 0.6$	$70.01 \pm 0.4$	$65.14 \pm 0.6$	$68.77 \pm 0.5$	$64.39 \pm 0.2$	$71.18 \pm 0.3$	$64.77 \pm 0.2$	$75.21 \pm 0.5$	$69.32 \pm 0.8$
graphSAGE	$74.65 \pm 0.3$	$68.15 \pm 0.4$	$73.89 \pm 0.4$	$68.87 \pm 0.3$	$74.54 \pm 0.5$	$70.14 \pm 0.2$	$76.48 \pm 0.5$	$69.94 \pm 0.7$	$78.63 \pm 0.4$	$72.58 \pm 0.6$
SEAL	$74.81 \pm 0.3$	$68.27 \pm 0.3$	$74.22 \pm 0.4$	$69.37 \pm 0.3$	$72.68 \pm 0.4$	$69.04 \pm 0.5$	$78.60 \pm 0.3$	$72.42 \pm 0.5$	$80.91 \pm 0.5$	$74.88 \pm 0.6$
DGI	$81.18 \pm 0.3$	$75.89 \pm 0.1$	$79.48 \pm 0.9$	$74.28 \pm 1.1$	$88.28 \pm 0.5$	$81.27 \pm 0.4$	$89.75 \pm 0.3$	$84.84 \pm 0.5$	$83.92 \pm 0.2$	$78.03 \pm 0.5$
Sub-Con	$85.06 \pm 0.6$	$78.02 \pm 0.4$	$87.35 \pm 0.4$	$80.92 \pm 0.2$	$87.84 \pm 0.1$	$80.84 \pm 0.3$	$80.52 \pm 0.6$	$73.21 \pm 0.4$	$82.81 \pm 0.7$	$77.25 \pm 0.5$
GCA	$86.74 \pm 0.3$	$77.97 \pm 0.6$	$89.11 \pm 0.1$	$81.23 \pm 0.3$	$89.92 \pm 0.2$	$81.92 \pm 0.6$	$91.97 \pm 0.7$	$85.37 \pm 1.1$	$89.82 \pm 0.5$	$84.21 \pm 0.6$
CTDNE	$75.22 \pm 0.5$	$68.97 \pm 0.2$	$73.34 \pm 0.3$	$68.91 \pm 0.6$	$72.25 \pm 0.3$	$68.54 \pm 0.9$	$78.55 \pm 1.4$	$72.34 \pm 1.3$	$85.07 \pm 1.2$	$79.87 \pm 0.8$
HTNE	$77.56 \pm 0.2$	$70.23 \pm 0.3$	$73.65 \pm 0.7$	$68.72 \pm 0.3$	$82.53 \pm 0.5$	$76.73 \pm 0.8$	$82.71 \pm 0.4$	$75.62 \pm 0.3$	$84.29 \pm 0.7$	$79.04 \pm 0.3$
DyRep	$75.92 \pm 0.5$	$68.14 \pm 0.3$	$82.74 \pm 0.4$	$76.84 \pm 0.5$	$83.81 \pm 0.3$	$77.94 \pm 0.8$	$83.95 \pm 0.5$	$78.83 \pm 0.4$	$87.66 \pm 0.3$	$82.37 \pm 0.7$
TGN	$86.78 \pm 0.3$	$78.95 \pm 0.4$	$83.75 \pm 0.2$	$77.76 \pm 0.5$	$87.94 \pm 0.1$	$81.16 \pm 0.4$	$86.59 \pm 0.3$	$80.17 \pm 0.3$	<b><math>93.71 \pm 0.3</math></b>	<b><math>88.21 \pm 0.4</math></b>
MetaDyGNN	$83.94 \pm 0.2$	<b><math>82.86 \pm 0.3</math></b>	$85.62 \pm 0.4$	$81.80 \pm 0.4$	$89.00 \pm 0.3$	$83.20 \pm 0.5$	$85.20 \pm 0.4$	$80.01 \pm 0.5$	$88.56 \pm 0.3$	$85.48 \pm 0.3$
<b>DySubC</b>	<b><math>88.61 \pm 0.3</math></b>	$80.82 \pm 0.2$	<b><math>92.21 \pm 0.4</math></b>	<b><math>84.57 \pm 0.6</math></b>	<b><math>92.29 \pm 0.5</math></b>	<b><math>85.58 \pm 0.4</math></b>	<b><math>95.24 \pm 0.1</math></b>	<b><math>89.02 \pm 0.3</math></b>	$93.02 \pm 0.3$	$87.91 \pm 0.2$

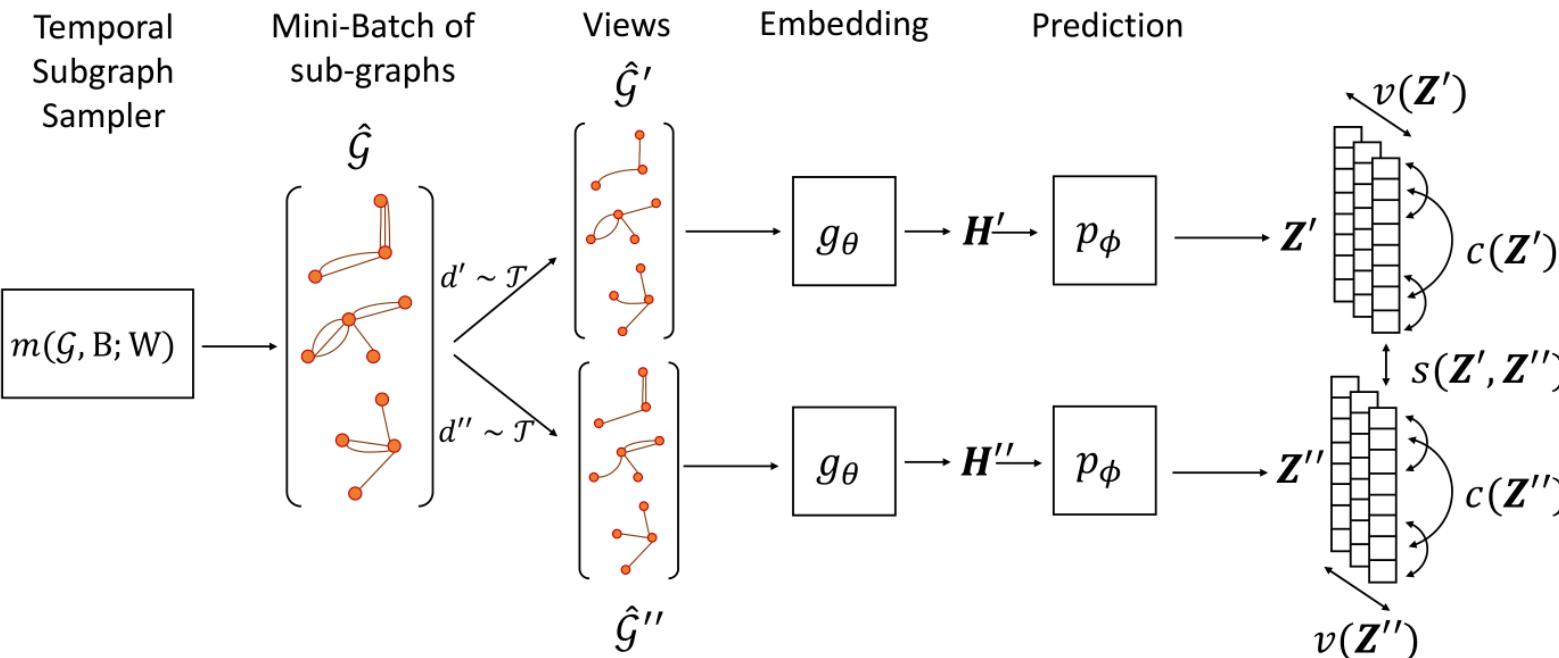
# SSL by Multiview Consistency: DyG2Vec

- **Motivation:** Embeddings should be consistent under graph perturbations.
- **New Graph Encoder:** According to ablation study, the subgraph encoder is undirected and non-causal.



# SSL by Multiview Consistency: DyG2Vec

- **Motivation:** Embeddings should be consistent under graph augmentations.
- **Method:** Use *edge dropout* and *edge feature masking* to produce different “views”, and use regularization-based SSL loss function



$v$  : maintain variance  
 $c$  : bring covariance to zero  
 $s$  : minimize distance

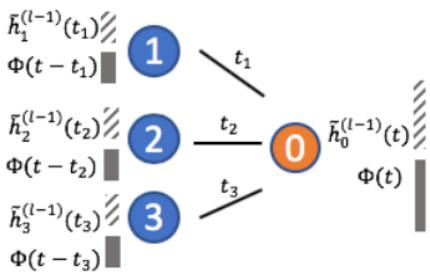
$$\mathcal{L}^{SSL} = \lambda s(\mathbf{Z}', \mathbf{Z}'') + \mu [v(\mathbf{Z}') + v(\mathbf{Z}'')] + \nu [c(\mathbf{Z}') + c(\mathbf{Z}'')]$$

# SSL by Multiview Consistency: DyG2Vec

□ Experiments: Link prediction in terms of average AUC score and Accuracy.

Setting	Model	Wikipedia	Reddit	MOOC	LastFM	Enron	UCI	SocialEvol.
Transductive	JODIE	$0.956 \pm 0.002$	$0.979 \pm 0.001$	$0.797 \pm 0.01$	$0.691 \pm 0.010$	$0.785 \pm 0.020$	$0.869 \pm 0.010$	$0.847 \pm 0.014$
	DyRep	$0.955 \pm 0.004$	$0.981 \pm 1e-4$	$0.840 \pm 0.004$	$0.683 \pm 0.033$	$0.795 \pm 0.042$	$0.524 \pm 0.076$	$0.885 \pm 0.004$
	TGAT	$0.968 \pm 0.001$	$0.986 \pm 3e-4$	$0.793 \pm 0.006$	$0.633 \pm 0.002$	$0.637 \pm 0.002$	$0.835 \pm 0.003$	$0.631 \pm 0.001$
	TGN	$0.986 \pm 0.001$	$0.985 \pm 0.001$	$0.911 \pm 0.010$	$0.743 \pm 0.030$	$0.866 \pm 0.006$	$0.843 \pm 0.090$	$0.966 \pm 0.001$
	CaW	$0.976 \pm 0.007$	$0.988 \pm 2e-4$	$0.940 \pm 0.014$	$0.903 \pm 1e-4$	$0.970 \pm 0.001$	$0.939 \pm 0.008$	$0.947 \pm 1e-4$
	NAT	$0.987 \pm 0.001$	$0.991 \pm 0.001$	$0.874 \pm 0.004$	$0.859 \pm 1e-4$	$0.924 \pm 0.001$	$0.944 \pm 0.002$	$0.944 \pm 0.010$
	<b>DyG2Vec</b>	<b><math>0.995 \pm 0.003</math></b>	<b><math>0.996 \pm 2e-4</math></b>	<b><math>0.980 \pm 0.002</math></b>	<b><math>0.960 \pm 1e-4</math></b>	<b><math>0.991 \pm 0.001</math></b>	<b><math>0.988 \pm 0.007</math></b>	<b><math>0.987 \pm 2e-4</math></b>
Inductive	JODIE	$0.891 \pm 0.014$	$0.865 \pm 0.021$	$0.707 \pm 0.029$	$0.865 \pm 0.03$	$0.747 \pm 0.041$	$0.753 \pm 0.011$	$0.791 \pm 0.031$
	DyRep	$0.890 \pm 0.002$	$0.921 \pm 0.003$	$0.723 \pm 0.009$	$0.869 \pm 0.015$	$0.666 \pm 0.059$	$0.437 \pm 0.021$	$0.904 \pm 3e-4$
	TGAT	$0.954 \pm 0.001$	$0.979 \pm 0.001$	$0.805 \pm 0.006$	$0.644 \pm 0.002$	$0.693 \pm 0.004$	$0.820 \pm 0.005$	$0.632 \pm 0.005$
	TGN	$0.974 \pm 0.001$	$0.954 \pm 0.002$	$0.855 \pm 0.014$	$0.789 \pm 0.050$	$0.746 \pm 0.013$	$0.791 \pm 0.057$	$0.904 \pm 0.023$
	CaW	$0.977 \pm 0.006$	$0.984 \pm 2e-4$	$0.933 \pm 0.014$	$0.890 \pm 0.001$	$0.962 \pm 0.001$	$0.931 \pm 0.002$	$0.950 \pm 1e-4$
	NAT	$0.986 \pm 0.001$	$0.986 \pm 0.002$	$0.832 \pm 1e-4$	$0.878 \pm 0.003$	$0.949 \pm 0.010$	$0.926 \pm 0.010$	$0.952 \pm 0.006$
	<b>DyG2Vec</b>	<b><math>0.992 \pm 0.001</math></b>	<b><math>0.991 \pm 0.002</math></b>	<b><math>0.938 \pm 0.010</math></b>	<b><math>0.979 \pm 0.006</math></b>	<b><math>0.987 \pm 0.004</math></b>	<b><math>0.976 \pm 0.002</math></b>	<b><math>0.978 \pm 0.010</math></b>

# Data-Efficient TGNN Checkpoint

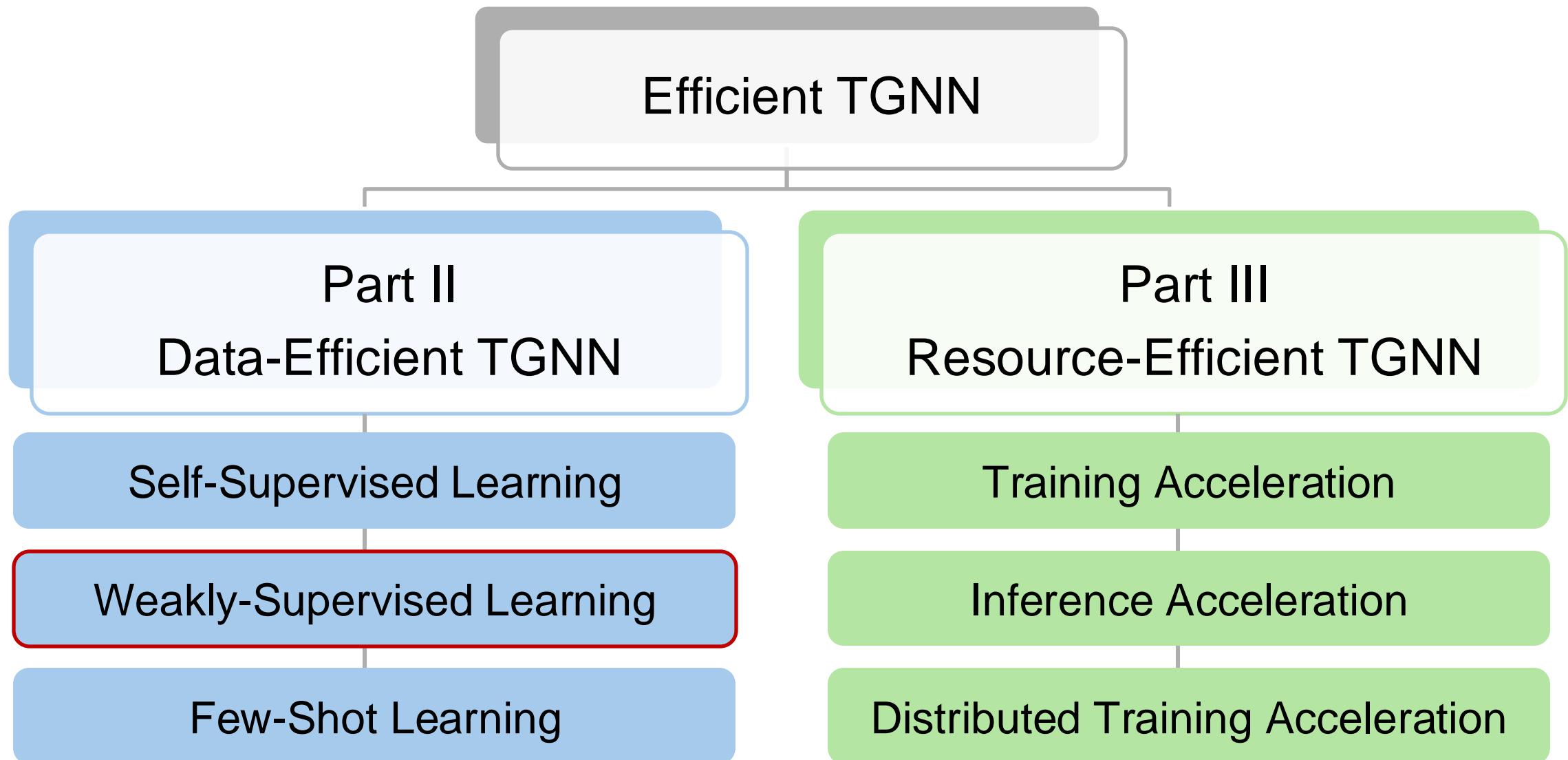


## Self-Supervised Learning

- Introduction & Background
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# Q & A

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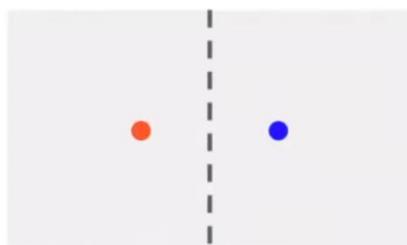


# Weakly-Supervised Learning on Temporal Graphs

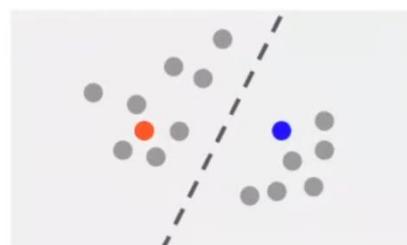
- **Introduction & Background**
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# Introduction – Weakly-Supervised Learning

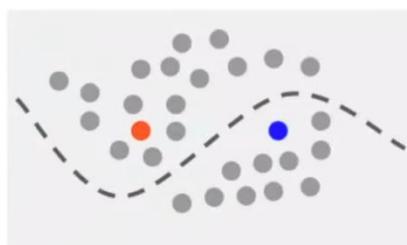
- Learning useful (or better) representations **using limited labeled or noisy data.**
- Inherent structure and temporal dynamics of the graph itself are still important.
- **Challenge 1:** Effectively exploit weak information in the training process.
- **Challenge 2:** Learning representations on dynamic and noisy graphs.



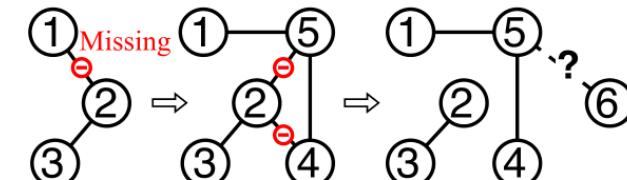
Some labeled data



Some more unlabeled data

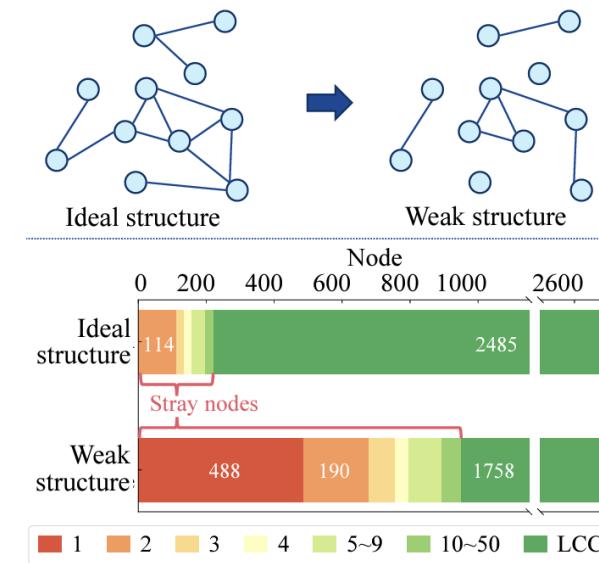
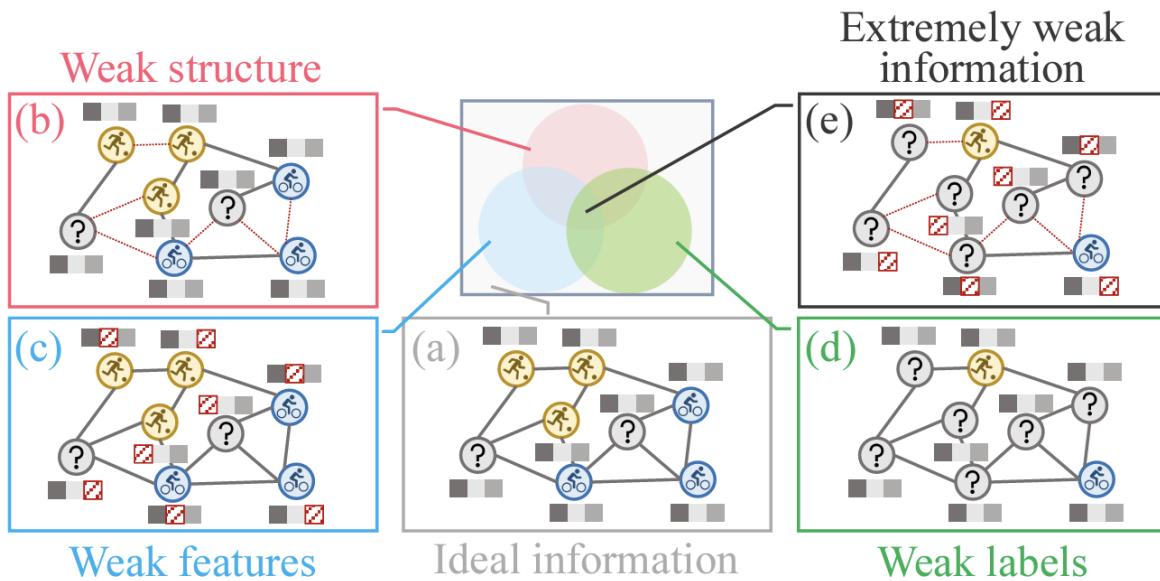


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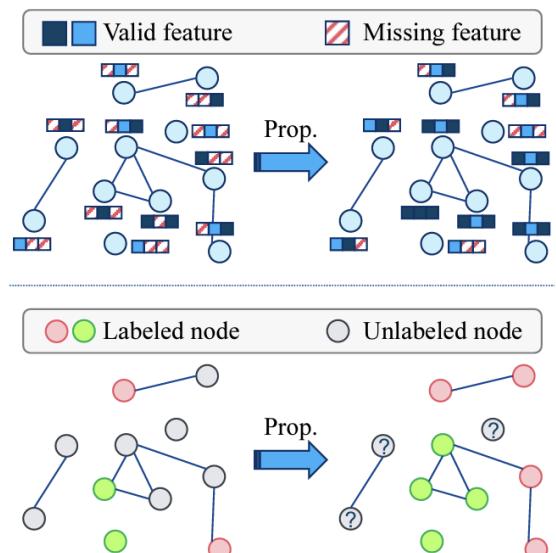


# Weak-Supervision on Limited Labeled Data: D<sup>2</sup>PT

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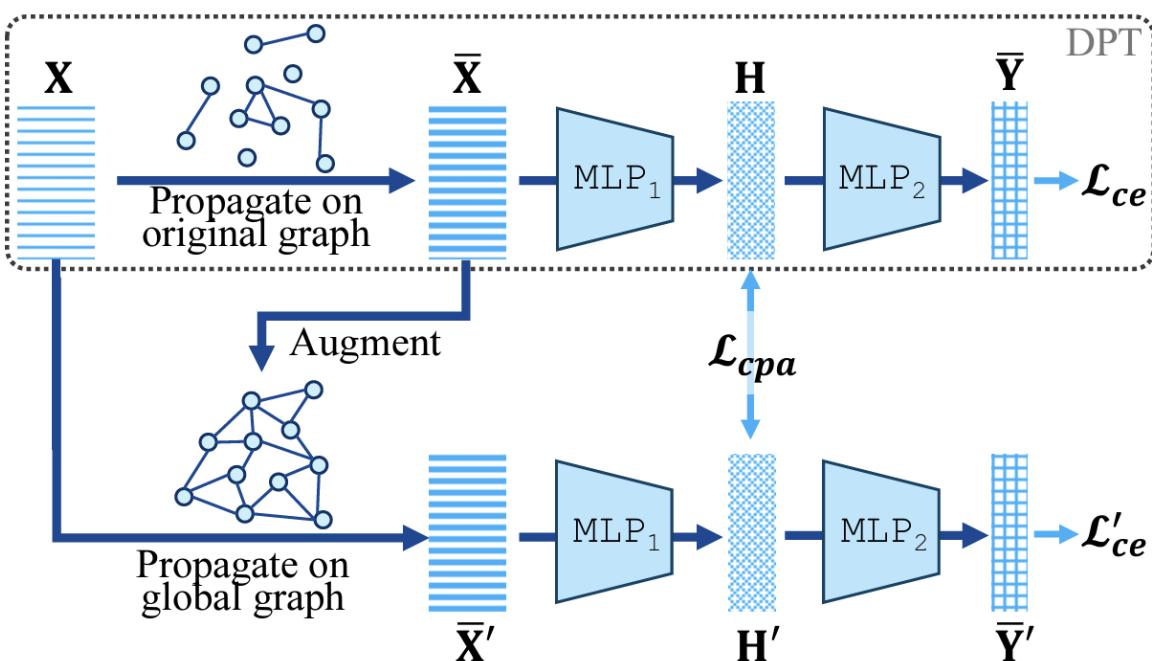
(a) Weak structure leads to stray nodes



(b) Stray nodes hinder feature completion and supervision signal spreading

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$$X^{(0)} = X,$$

$$X^{(t+1)} = (1 - \alpha)\tilde{A}X^{(t)} + \alpha X,$$

$$\bar{X} = X^{(T)},$$

$$p_j = \sum_{\arg\max_i(\bar{Y}_i)=j} \frac{s_i Z_i}{S_j}, \quad p'_j = \sum_{\arg\max_i(\bar{Y}_i)=j} \frac{s_i Z'_i}{S_j},$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{cpa} = -\frac{1}{2c} \sum_{j=1}^c \left( \log \frac{f(p_j, p'_j)}{\sum_{q \neq j} f(p_j, p'_q)} + \log \frac{f(p_j, p'_j)}{\sum_{q \neq j} f(p_q, p'_j)} \right)$$

$$f(a, b) = e^{\cos(a, b)/\tau}$$

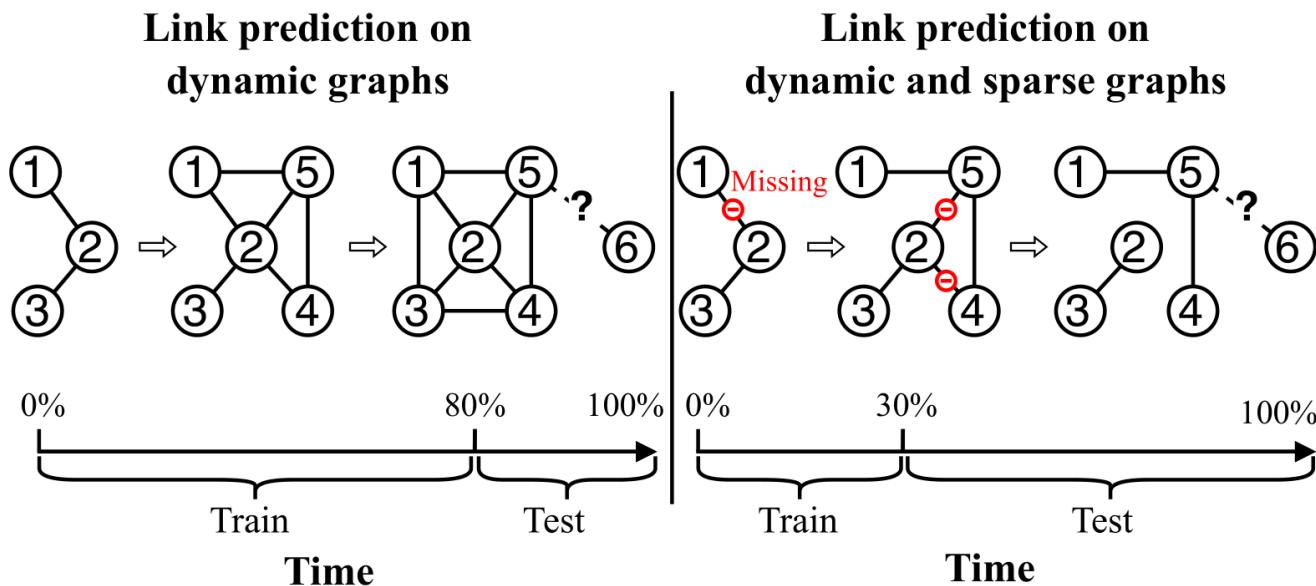
# Weak-Supervision on Limited Labeled Data: D<sup>2</sup>PT

## ☐ Experiments: Classification accuracy in extreme GLWI scenario.

Methods	Cora	CiteSeer	PubMed	Amz. Photo	Amz. Comp.	Co. CS	Co. Physics	ogbn-arxiv
GCN	46.80±3.20	42.31±3.60	62.30±2.82	83.44±1.61	71.22±1.24	84.14±1.40	88.83±1.44	59.83±0.31
GAT	48.79±5.89	43.86±4.43	63.07±2.82	82.33±1.00	71.81±4.51	82.30±2.01	88.53±1.65	57.47±0.31
APPNP	54.91±5.18	43.59±5.07	64.77±3.56	83.78±1.08	<u>73.46±2.84</u>	84.59±1.73	90.22±0.99	58.59±1.02
SGC	48.06±6.00	40.56±3.51	61.89±3.30	82.12±1.26	71.36±2.12	83.82±1.50	88.20±1.22	54.10±0.73
Pro-GNN	53.28±7.27	44.92±1.62	OOM	OOM	OOM	OOM	OOM	OOM
IDGL	46.95±4.60	45.98±2.64	63.35±4.19	<u>83.85±1.16</u>	73.09±1.94	83.73±1.97	OOM	OOM
GEN	52.72±3.82	49.49±3.70	OOM	OOM	OOM	OOM	OOM	OOM
SimP-GCN	48.72±3.89	48.31±4.45	64.25±3.80	82.94±1.84	71.17±2.06	<u>87.13±1.30</u>	89.72±1.43	OOM
GINN	47.07±3.80	41.82±2.09	61.80±2.97	82.09±1.21	70.33±1.09	81.78±1.25	OOM	OOM
GCN <sub>MF</sub>	47.13±2.74	43.64±4.72	61.91±4.05	83.22±0.98	73.17±2.11	83.49±1.88	88.56±1.56	55.43±0.66
M3S	56.15±3.89	52.13±5.03	63.65±5.01	82.64±2.96	71.96±1.49	83.25±2.07	88.99±3.04	OOM
CGPN	59.29±1.54	<u>54.62±2.74</u>	64.47±1.17	82.60±2.36	72.36±2.70	82.92±2.54	OOM	OOM
Meta-PN	53.05±5.97	45.60±5.84	64.88±4.02	82.46±1.91	72.19±3.11	83.95±2.43	89.28±1.01	56.32±0.86
GRAND	<u>63.38±1.40</u>	46.23±4.44	63.97±3.82	82.66±4.85	71.84±5.20	84.93±1.50	90.33±0.67	55.49±0.47
DPT	56.37±5.97	46.06±4.56	<u>65.08±3.13</u>	82.84±1.46	73.13±1.70	84.32±2.10	<u>90.42±1.13</u>	<u>60.87±0.18</u>
D <sup>2</sup> PT	<b>66.00±1.20</b>	<b>56.99±2.23</b>	<b>66.43±2.45</b>	<b>84.12±1.66</b>	<b>74.96±1.79</b>	<u>85.62±1.75</u>	<b>91.41±0.89</b>	<b>61.59±0.59</b>

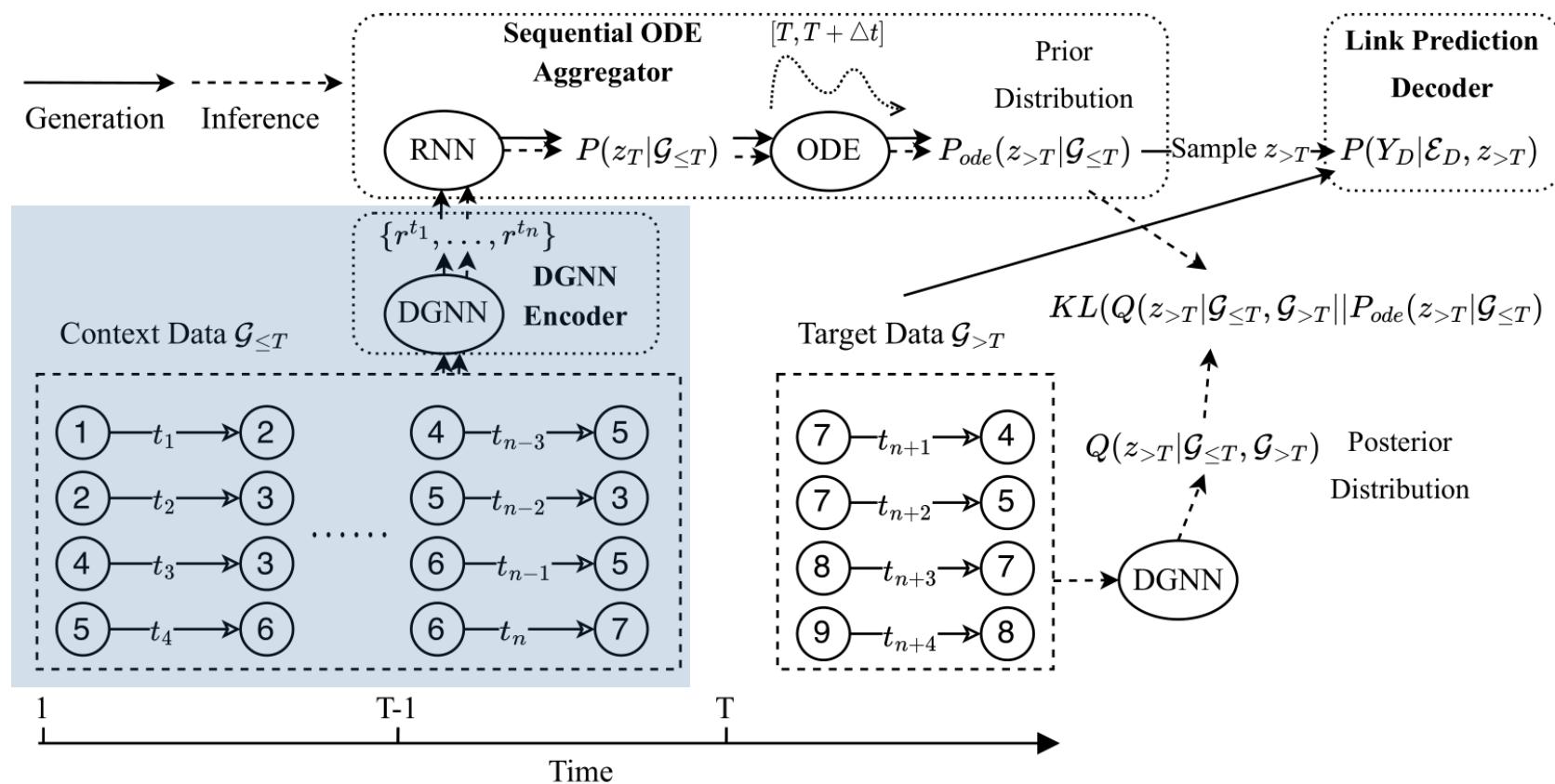
# Weak-Supervision on Sparse Temporal Graph: GSNOP

- **Objective:** Address the situation where there is not enough historical data.
- **Motivation:** Missing links are common. How to learn better representation on sparse graphs and prevent overfitting.



# Weak-Supervision on Sparse Temporal Graph: GSNOP

- Method: Treat the link prediction as a dynamic-changing stochastic process and employ neural process.



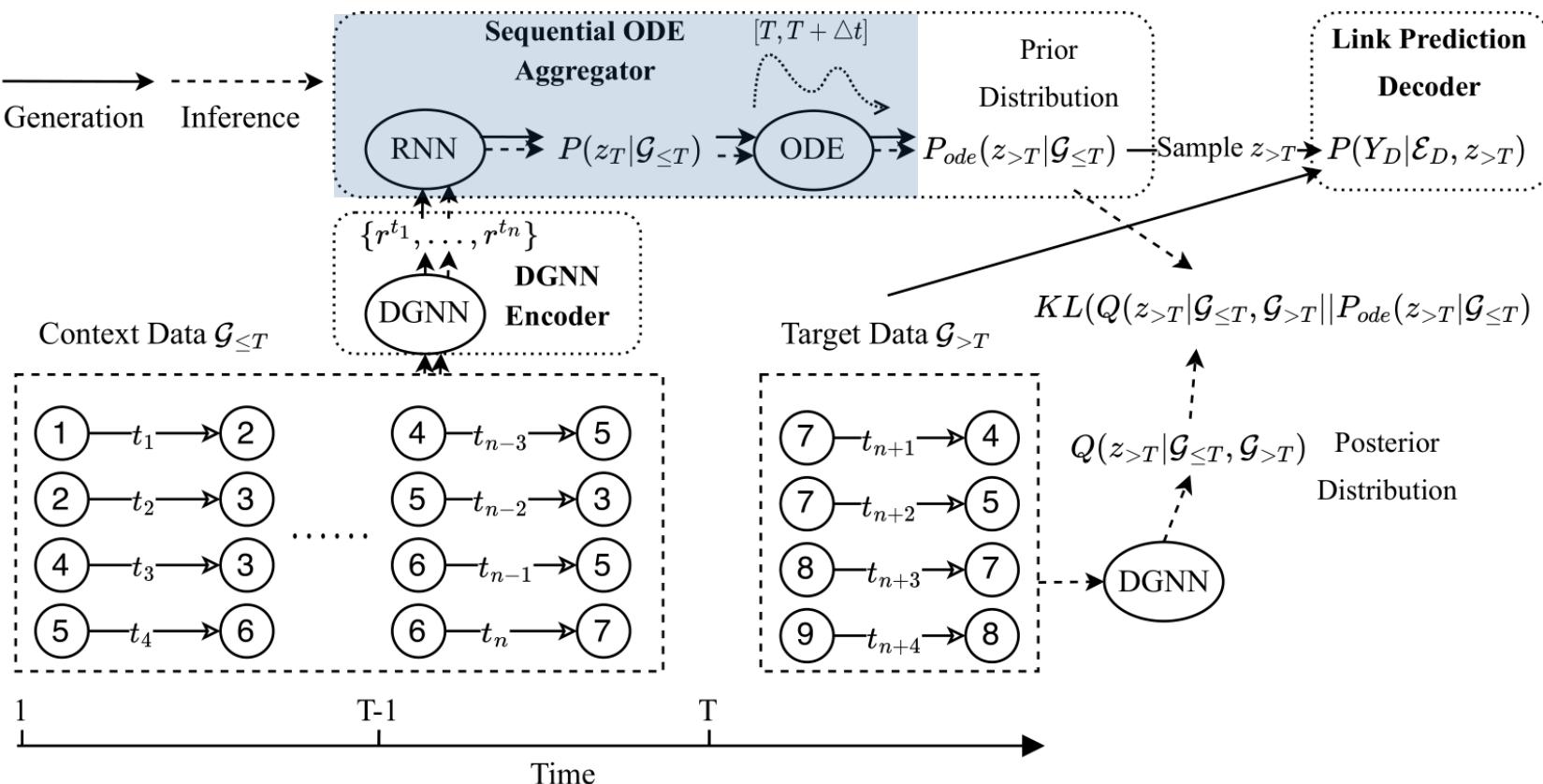
$$h^t = \text{DGNN}\left(h^{t-1}, \text{agg}(N_{<t}(v))\right)$$

$$r^t = \text{MLP}\left(h_i^t || h_j^t || y\right) + t_{emb}$$

$$y = \begin{cases} 1, e_C(t) \in \mathcal{G}_{\leq T} \\ 0, e_C(t) \notin \mathcal{G}_{\leq T} \end{cases}$$

# Weak-Supervision on Sparse Temporal Graph: GSNOP

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$$r^t = \text{MLP}(h_i^t || h_j^t || y) + t_{emb}$$

$$\mathbf{r}_t = \text{RNN}(\mathbf{r}_{t-1}, \mathcal{G}_t), t > 1,$$

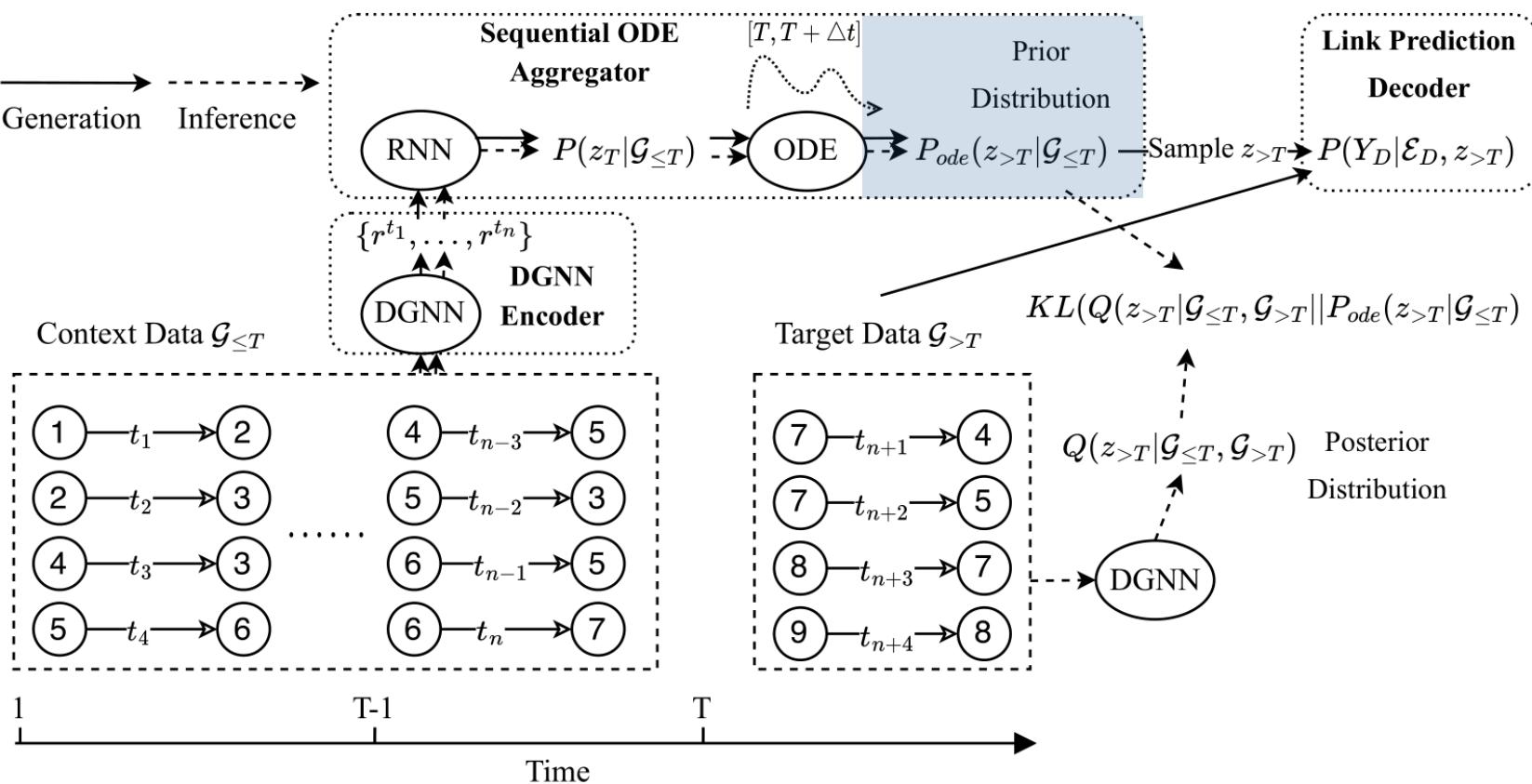
$$\mathbf{r}_1 = \frac{1}{|\mathcal{G}_{\leq 1}|} \sum_{e_C(t) \in \mathcal{G}_{\leq 1}} t^1$$

$$\mathbf{r}_{>T} = \mathbf{r}_T + \int_T^{T+\Delta t} f_{ode}(\mathbf{r}_t, t) dt$$

$$f_\theta(\mathbf{r}_t, t) = \text{Tanh}(\text{MLP}(\mathbf{r}_t + t_{emb}))$$

# Weak-Supervision on Sparse Temporal Graph: GSNOP

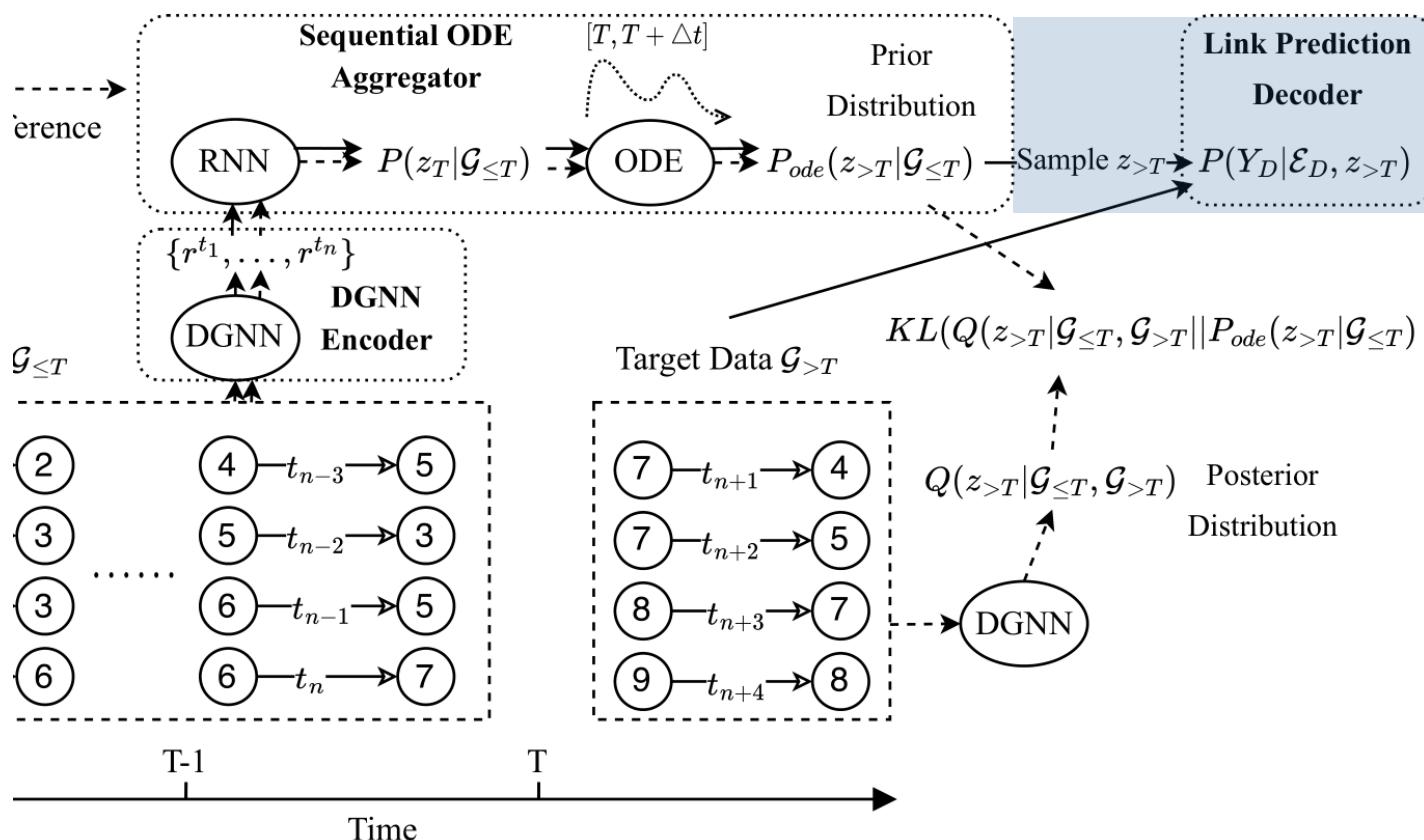
- Method: Treat the link prediction as a dynamic-changing stochastic process and employ neural process.



$$\begin{aligned}\chi &= \text{MLP}(\mathbf{r}_{>T}), \\ \mu(\mathbf{r}_{>T}) &= \text{ReLU}(\text{MLP}(\chi)), \\ \sigma(\mathbf{r}_{>T}) &= 0.1 + 0.9 * \text{Sigmoid}(\text{MLP}(\chi)).\end{aligned}$$

# Weak-Supervision on Sparse Temporal Graph: GSNOP

- Method: Treat the link prediction as a dynamic-changing stochastic process and employ neural process.



$$h_i^t = \text{DGNN}(v_i, N_{<t}(v_i)), h_j^t = \text{DGNN}(v_j, N_{<t}(v_i))$$

$$\text{Sample } z_{>T} \sim \mathcal{N}(\mu(\mathbf{r}_{>T}), \sigma(\mathbf{r}_{>T}))$$

$$\tilde{h}_i^t = \text{ReLU}(\text{MLP}(h_j^t || z_{>T})), \tilde{h}_j^t = \text{ReLU}(\text{MLP}(h_j^t || z_{>T}))$$

$$\hat{y} = \text{Sigmoid}(\text{MLP}(\tilde{h}_i^t || \tilde{h}_j^t)),$$

# Weak-Supervision on Sparse Temporal Graph: GS NOP

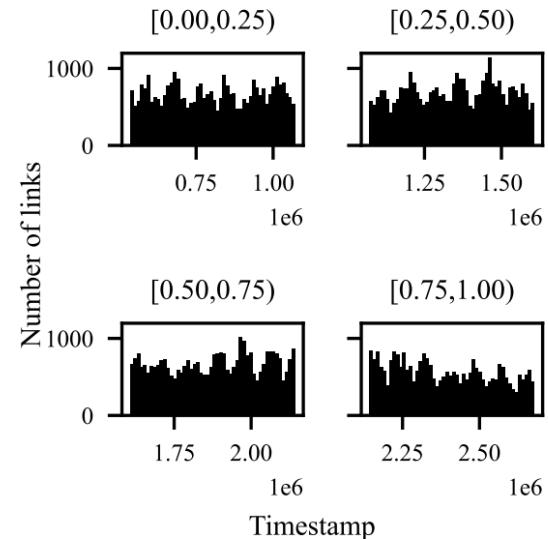
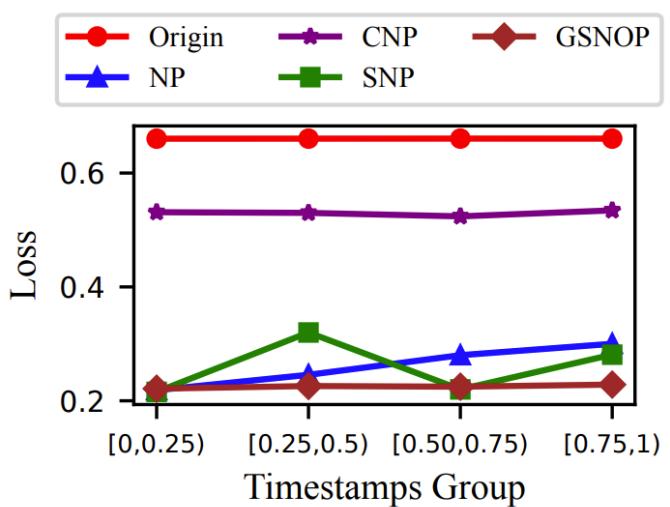
- Experiments: Split the graph with 30%-20%-50% and 10%-10%-80% ratio. Results on multiple datasets. And comparison with other neural process variant

Method	WIKI_0.3			REDDIT_0.3			MOOC_0.3			WIKI_0.1			REDDIT_0.1			MOOC_0.1		
	AP	MRR	AP	MRR	AP	MRR	AP	MRR										
JODIE	0.3329	0.5595	0.6320	0.8101	0.6690	0.8802	0.1820	0.4476	0.3324	0.6401	0.7100	0.9063						
JODIE+GS NOP	<b>0.4258</b>	<b>0.6086</b>	<b>0.8171</b>	<b>0.8922</b>	<b>0.6716</b>	<b>0.8853</b>	<b>0.2979</b>	<b>0.5273</b>	<b>0.4705</b>	<b>0.7260</b>	<b>0.7196</b>	<b>0.9066</b>						
DySAT	0.3881	0.6680	0.5705	0.7887	0.6441	0.8807	0.3872	0.6601	0.5353	0.7853	0.6705	0.8968						
DySAT+GS NOP	<b>0.5816</b>	<b>0.7716</b>	<b>0.7406</b>	<b>0.8443</b>	<b>0.6528</b>	<b>0.8811</b>	<b>0.3910</b>	<b>0.6628</b>	<b>0.5738</b>	<b>0.7887</b>	<b>0.6718</b>	<b>0.8971</b>						
TGAT	0.3253	0.5229	0.8343	0.8797	0.5183	0.7828	0.2766	0.4638	0.4833	0.6523	<b>0.1919</b>	0.4228						
TGAT+GS NOP	<b>0.3701</b>	<b>0.5348</b>	<b>0.8395</b>	<b>0.8820</b>	<b>0.5448</b>	<b>0.7905</b>	<b>0.3366</b>	<b>0.4961</b>	<b>0.5240</b>	<b>0.6807</b>	0.1874	<b>0.4581</b>						
TGN	0.5541	0.7788	0.7621	0.8587	0.7200	0.9007	0.5676	0.7631	0.6749	0.8029	0.7677	0.9087						
TGN+GS NOP	<b>0.6633</b>	<b>0.7816</b>	<b>0.8307</b>	<b>0.8935</b>	<b>0.7445</b>	<b>0.9117</b>	<b>0.6568</b>	<b>0.7674</b>	<b>0.7148</b>	<b>0.8263</b>	<b>0.7714</b>	<b>0.9174</b>						
APAN	0.2431	0.5496	0.6166	0.7799	0.6601	0.8774	0.0504	0.1857	0.5601	0.7415	0.7016	0.8967						
APAN+GS NOP	<b>0.4570</b>	<b>0.6918</b>	<b>0.7119</b>	<b>0.8560</b>	<b>0.6614</b>	<b>0.8790</b>	<b>0.1996</b>	<b>0.5607</b>	<b>0.6126</b>	<b>0.7606</b>	<b>0.7052</b>	<b>0.8982</b>						

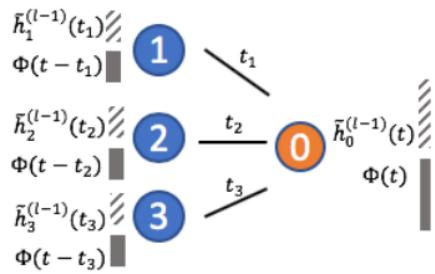
Method	WIKI_0.3									
	Origin		NP		CNP		SNP		GS NOP	
	AP	MRR	AP	MRR	AP	MRR	AP	MRR	AP	MRR
JODIE	0.3868	0.6241	0.4063	0.6118	0.3255	0.5943	0.4173	0.6023	<b>0.4258</b>	<b>0.6086</b>
DySAT	0.3757	0.6727	0.4226	0.6818	0.3494	0.6552	0.4199	0.6821	<b>0.5816</b>	<b>0.7716</b>
TGAT	0.3277	0.5171	0.3456	0.5147	0.2881	0.4680	0.3462	0.5173	<b>0.3701</b>	<b>0.5348</b>
TGN	0.5611	0.7789	0.6632	0.7837	0.6539	0.7766	0.6577	0.7809	<b>0.6633</b>	<b>0.7816</b>
APAN	0.2191	0.5085	0.0784	0.2701	0.0987	0.3195	0.1090	0.3503	<b>0.4570</b>	<b>0.6918</b>

# Weak-Supervision on Sparse Temporal Graph: GS NOP

- Experiments: Demonstrate the effectiveness of Sequential ODE aggregator. GS NOP models the distribution derivative and maintain relatively low losses across different timestamps.

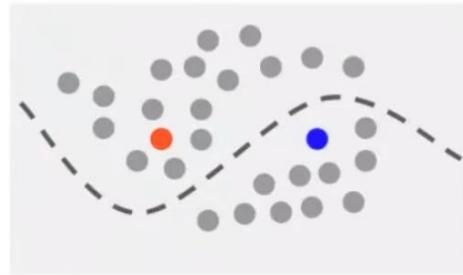


# Data-Efficient TGNN Checkpoint



## Self-Supervised Learning

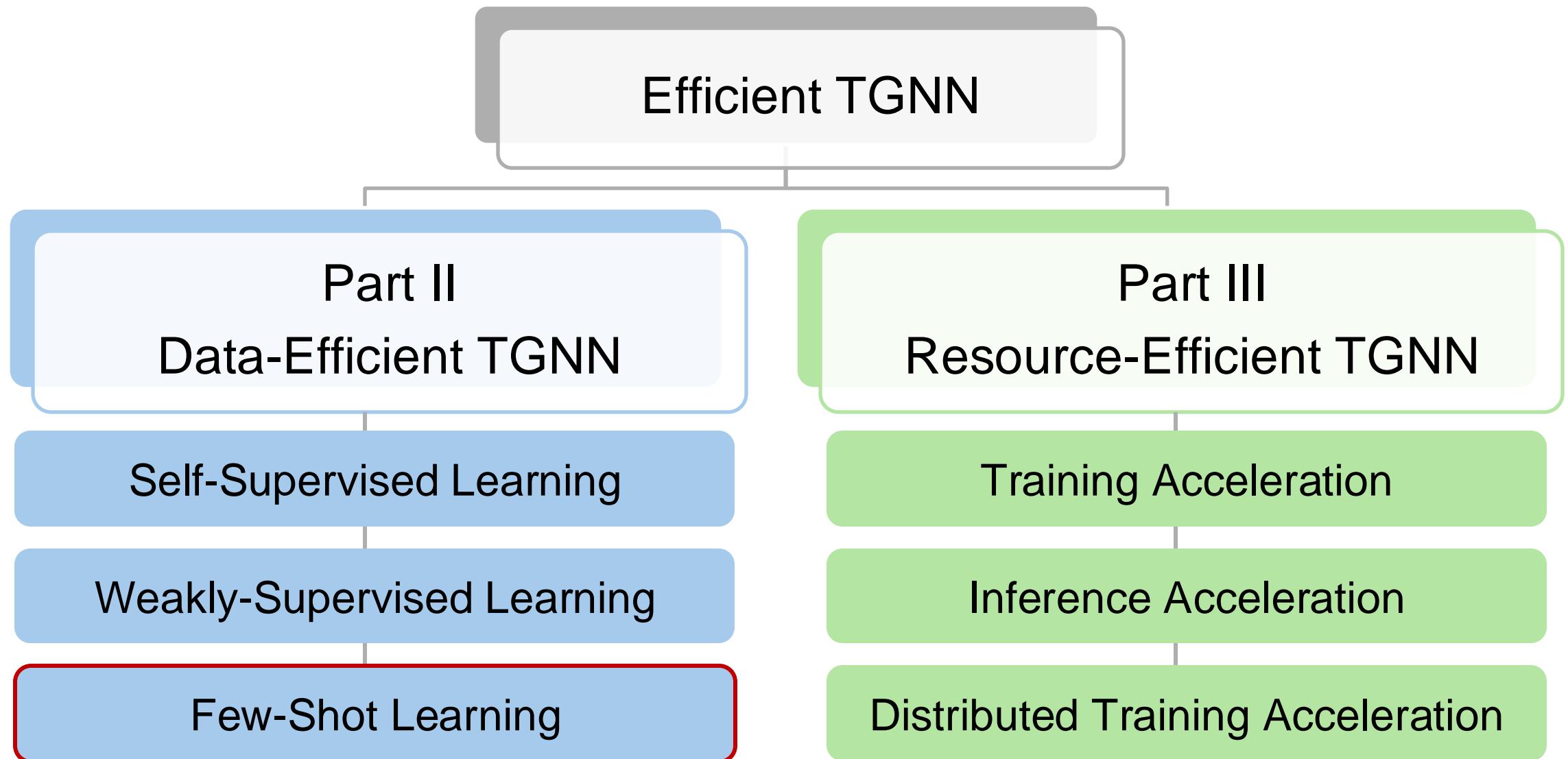
- Introduction & Background
- Future Link Reconstruction
- Contrastive Learning
- Multiview Approach



## Weakly-Supervised Learning

- Introduction & Background
- Weak Information
- Sparse Temporal Graph

# Scope of This Tutorial



# Few-Shot Learning on Temporal Graphs

- **Introduction & Background**
- **Few-Shot Learning for New Nodes**
- **Few-Shot Learning for New Time Intervals**
- **Few-Shot Learning for New Classes**

# Introduction – Few-Shot Learning

- ❑ New tasks and new data distributions are emerging as time goes by, where each new task is associated limited amount of labeled data.
- ❑ What are new tasks?

- ❑ New nodes



*A new politician*



*A new user*



*A new post*

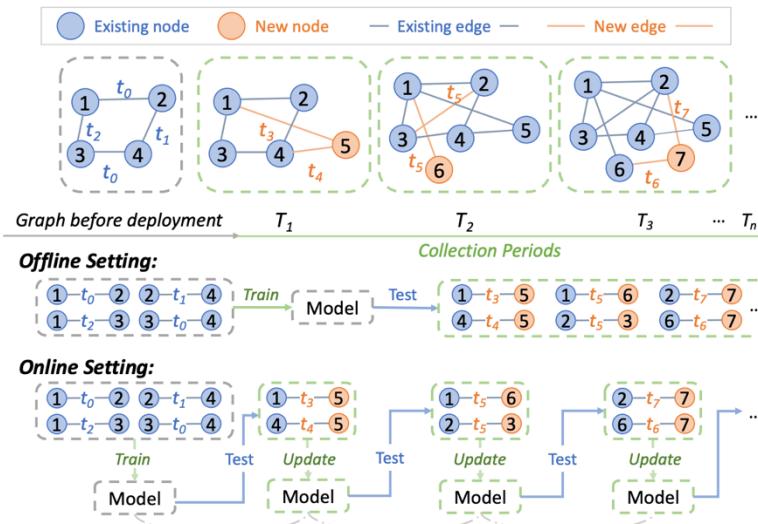


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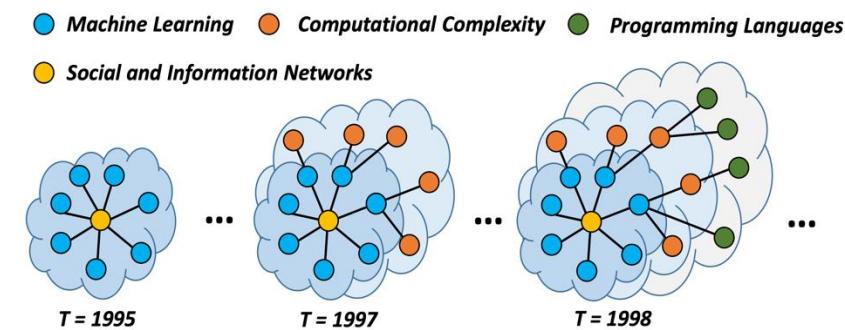
*A new query*

- ❑ New time interval



- ❑ New classes

- ❑ ...



# Background: Meta-Learning for Few-Shot Learning

## □ Meta-learning formulation

### Training task 1

Support set



Query set



### Training task 2 . . .

Support set



Query set



### Test task 1 . . .

Support set

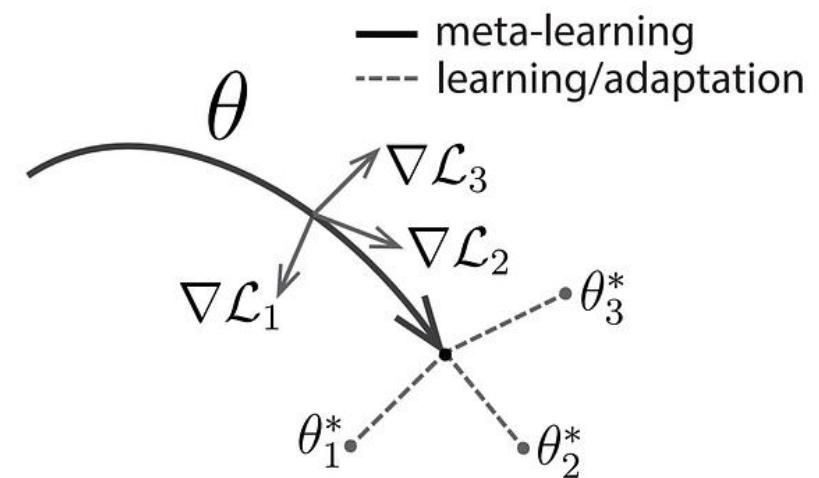
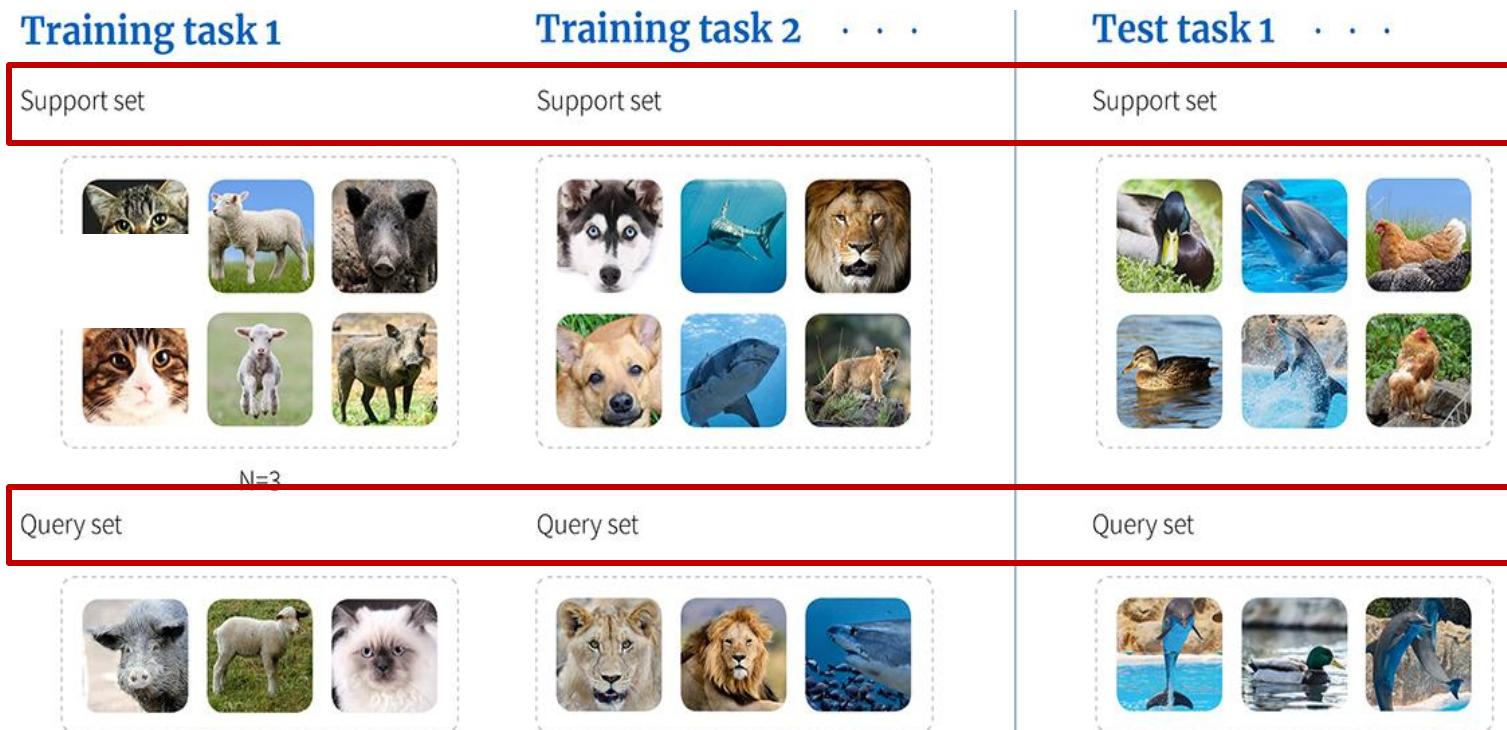


Query set



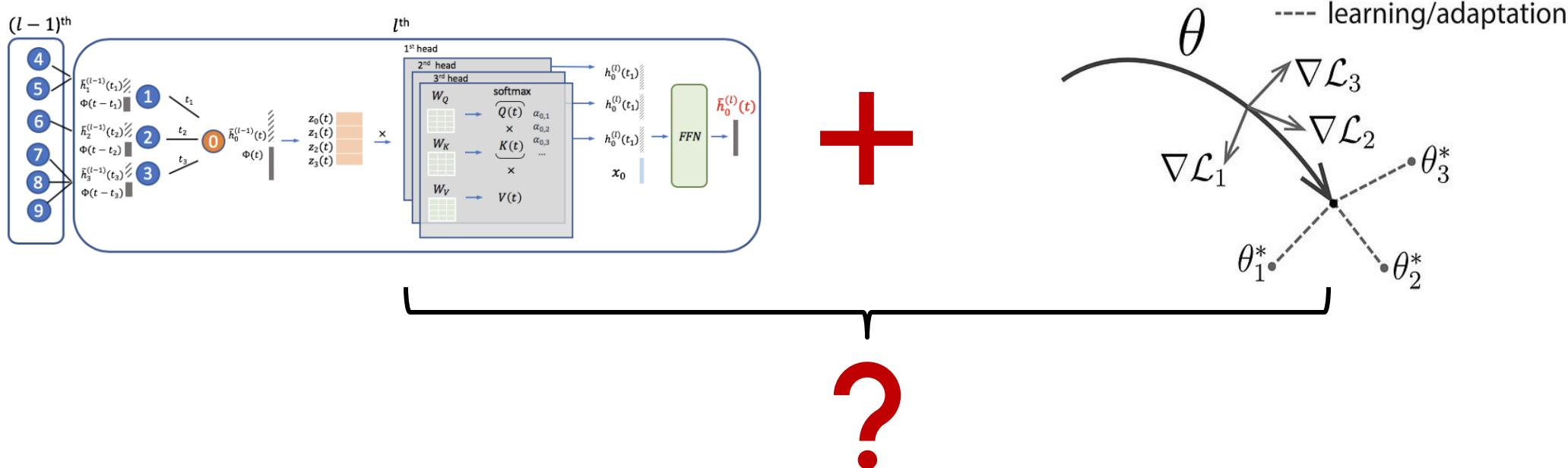
# Background: Meta-Learning for Few-Shot Learning

- Model-agnostic meta-learning (MAML)
  - Support set & query set
  - Bi-level optimization



# Challenges on Temporal Graphs

- **Challenge 1:** optimize model for new tasks from insufficient information.
- **Challenge 2:** design meta-learning algorithms that are compatible with TGNNs.
- **Challenge 3:** learn temporally robust parameters against distribution evolution over time.



# New Nodes on Temporal Graphs

- New nodes continuously join graphs:



*A new politician*



*A new user*



*A new post*

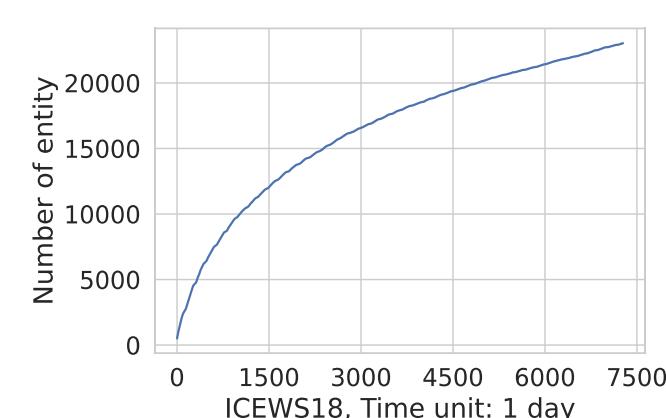
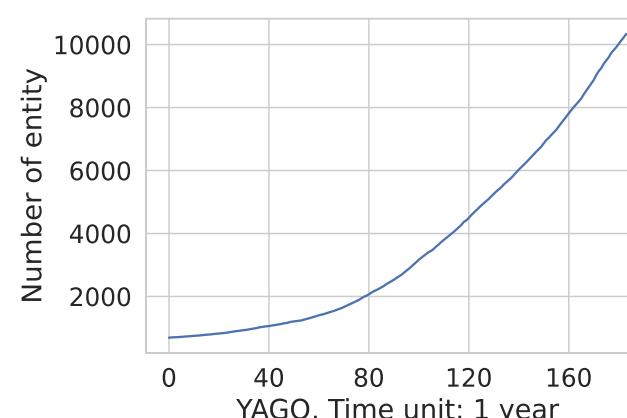
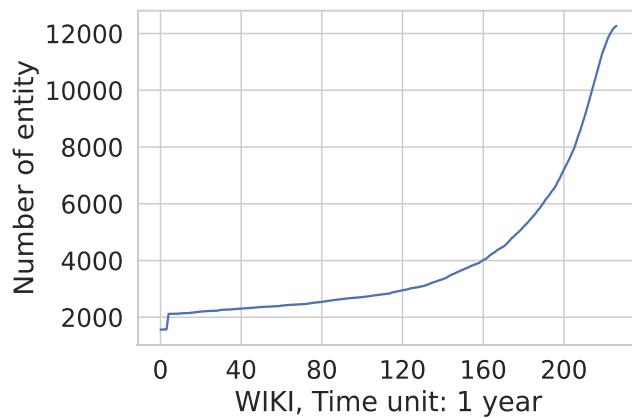


*A new product*



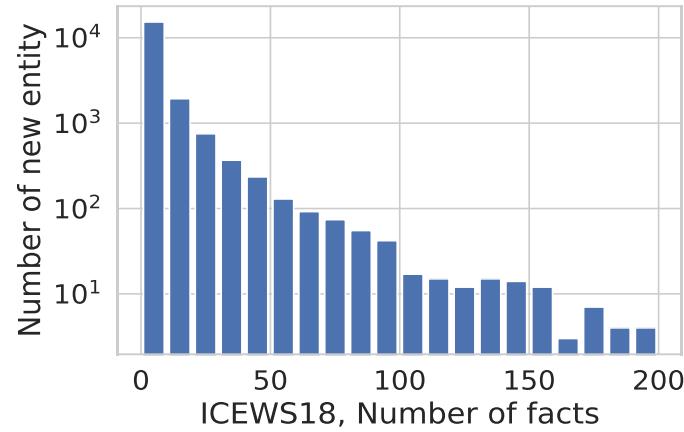
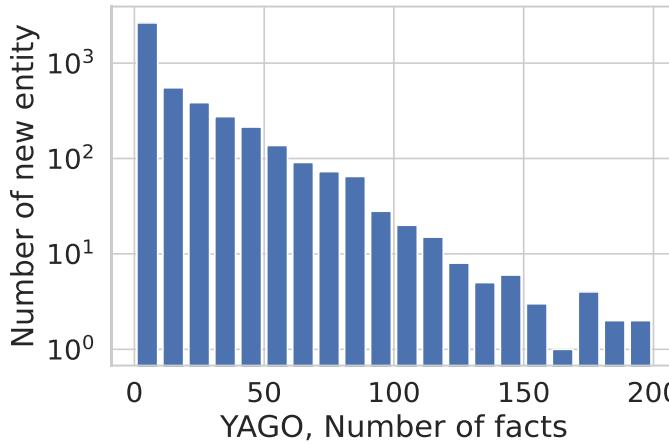
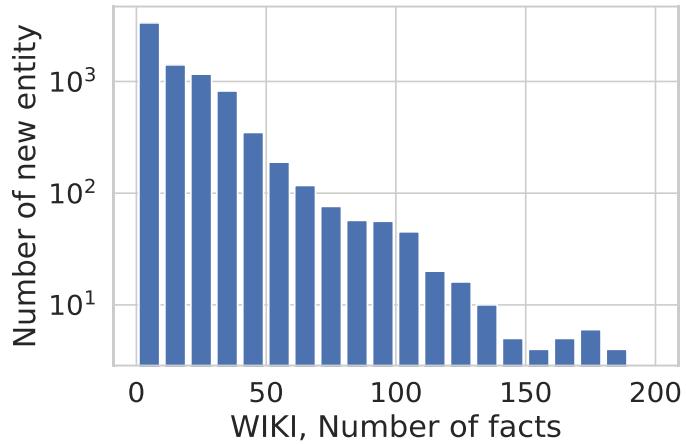
*A new query*

- 61.3% of WIKI entities are new entities (firstly appear in the last 25% time steps):



# New Nodes on Temporal Graphs

- Can we directly utilize existing reasoning methods on new entities?
- New nodes are initially associated with a few links:



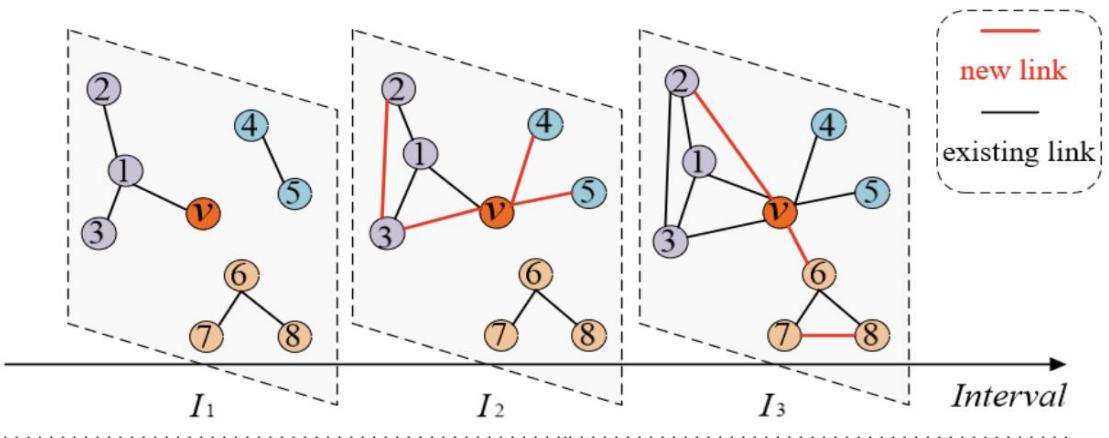
## Few-shot link prediction on TGs

Predict future links for newly emerging entities based on extremely limited observations on temporal graphs.

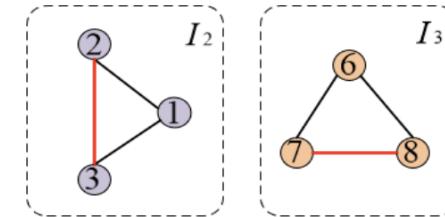
# Few-Shot Learning for New Nodes: MetaDyGNN

- **Objective:** Address challenge 1&2
  - Challenge 1: optimize model for new tasks from insufficient information.
  - Challenge 2: design meta-learning algorithms that are compatible with TGNNs.
- **Motivation:** node-wise & time-wise general knowledge

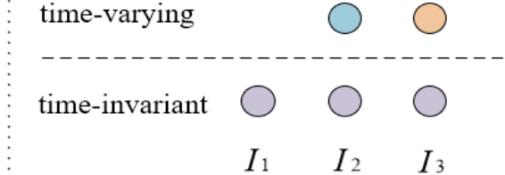
(a) The link formation process of nodes in a dynamic network



(b) General knowledge across nodes

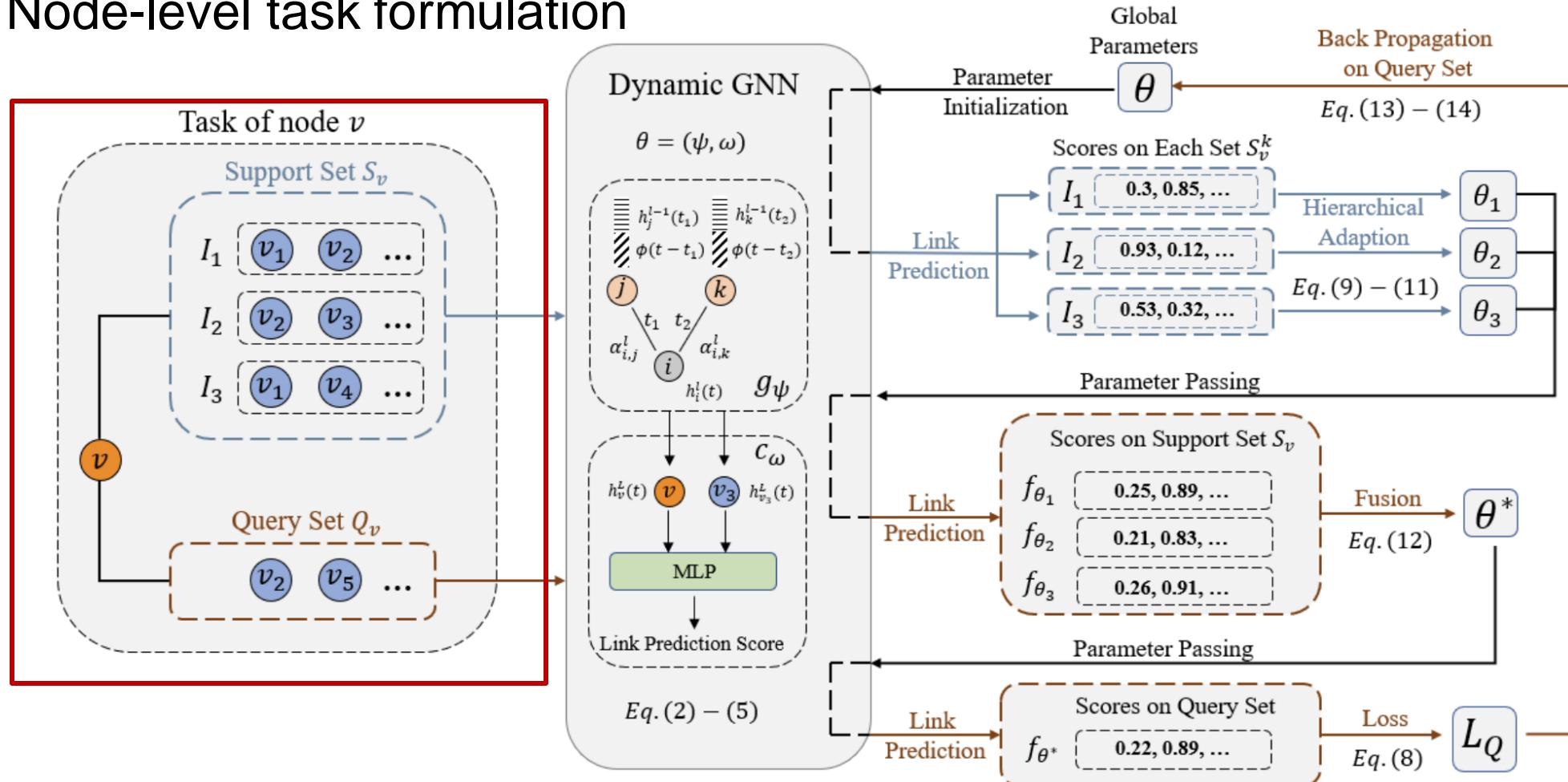


(c) General knowledge across intervals for node  $v$ 's preference



# Few-Shot Learning for New Nodes: MetaDyGNN

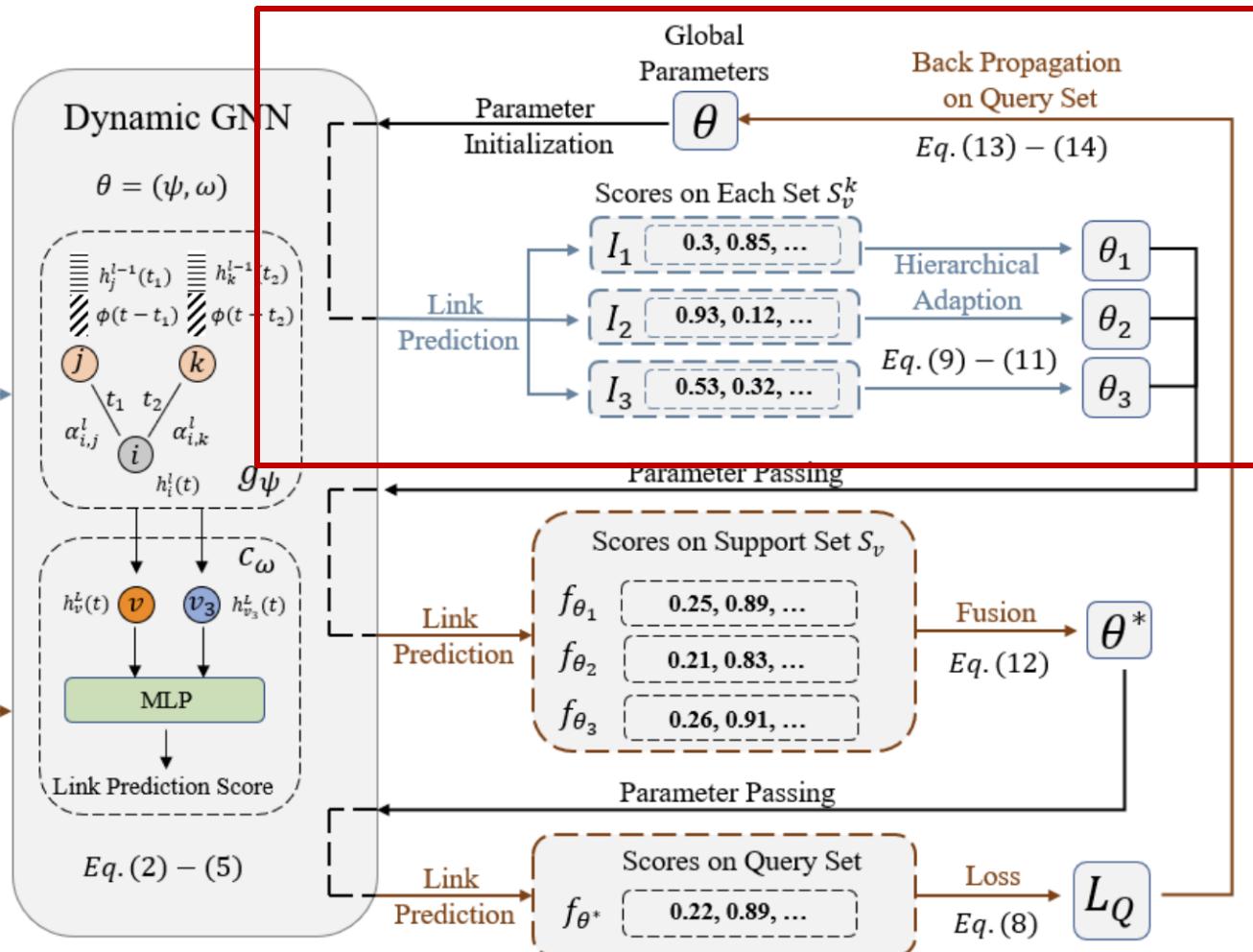
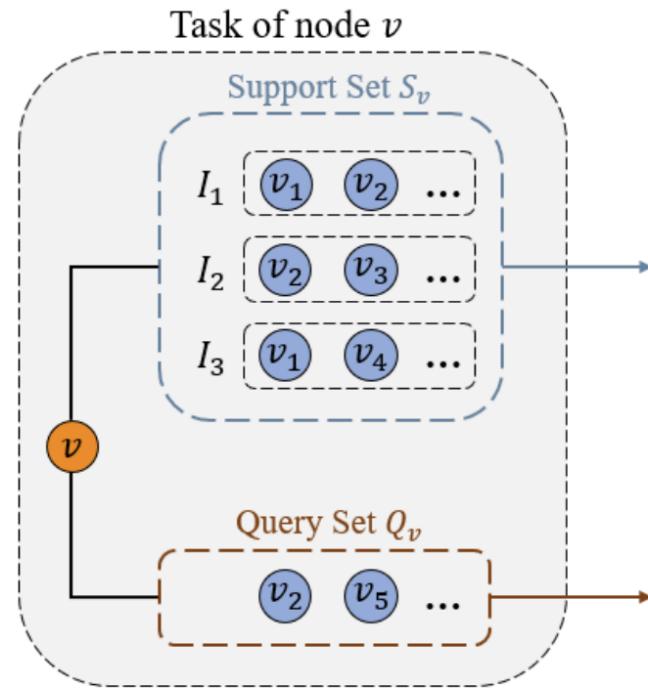
- Method: customized MAML with TGAT backbone
- Node-level task formulation



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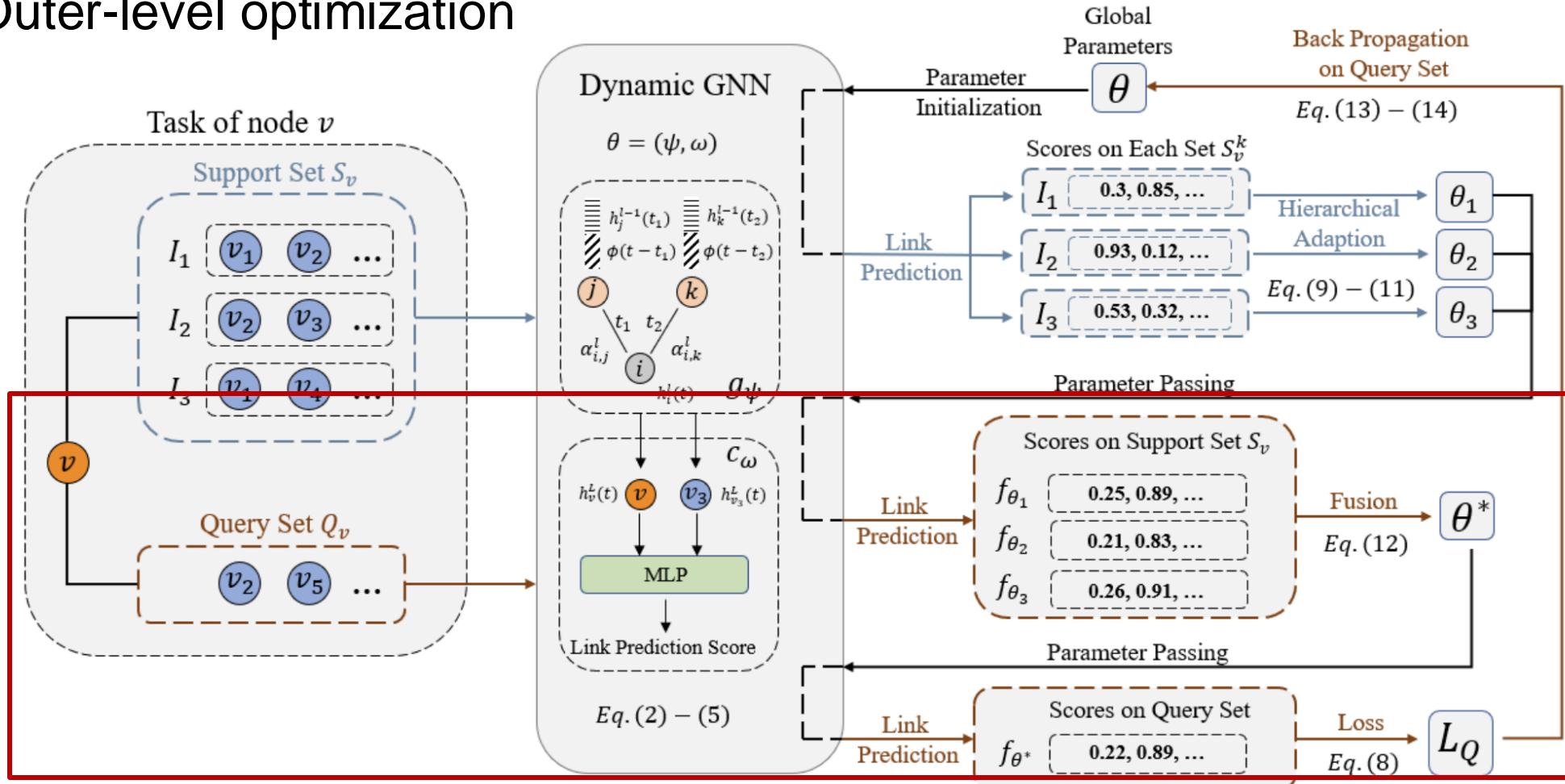
- Method: customized MAML with TGAT backbone

- Node-wise adaptation
- Time-wise adaptation



# Few-Shot Learning for New Nodes: MetaDyGNN

- Method: customized MAML with TGAT backbone
- Outer-level optimization



# Few-Shot Learning for New Nodes: MetaDyGNN

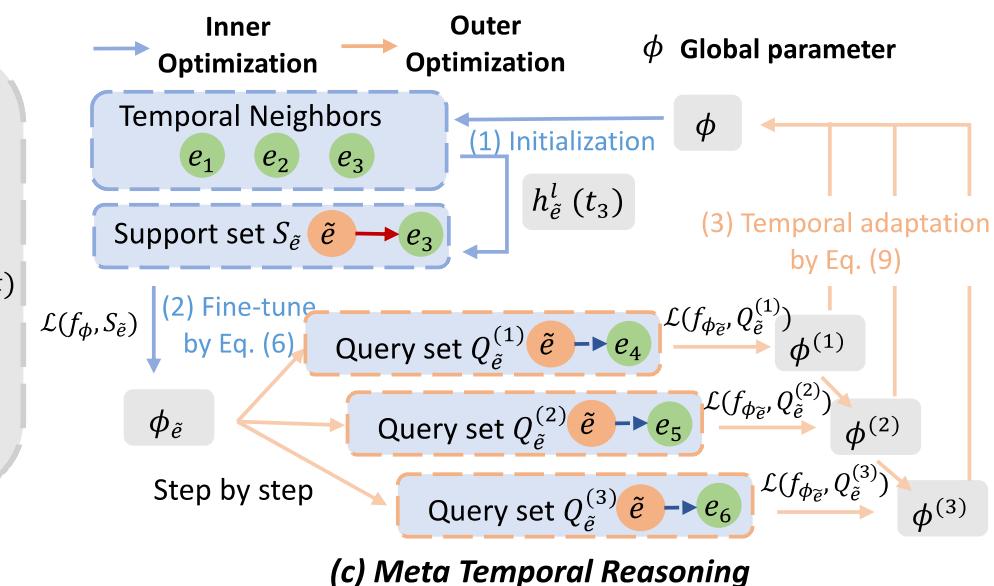
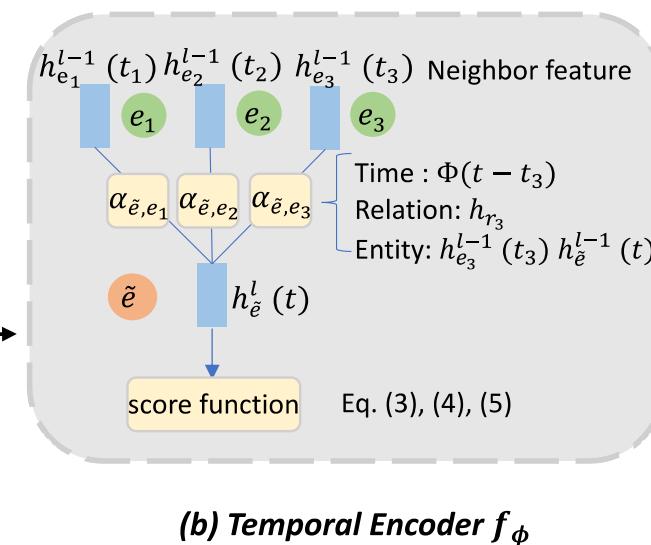
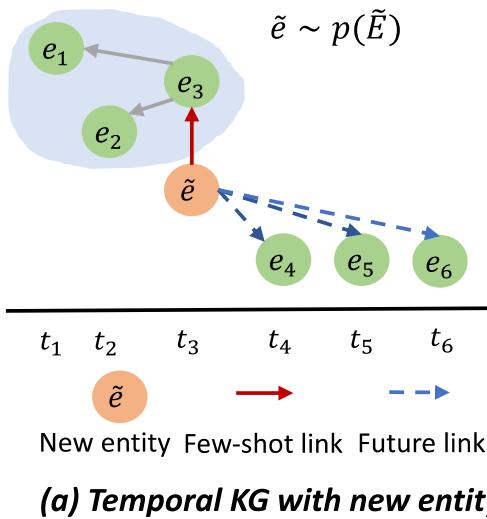
## ☐ Experiments: 2/4/5-shot link prediction

Model/Result	Wikipedia			Reddit			DBLP		
	ACC(%)	AUC(%)	Macro-F1(%)	ACC(%)	AUC(%)	Macro-F1(%)	ACC(%)	AUC(%)	Macro-F1(%)
GraphSAGE	75.84	77.17	74.76	89.32	93.21	88.28	72.17	76.35	71.12
GAT	76.03	78.76	74.94	89.86	93.36	88.64	73.18	77.16	72.56
DyRep	58.01	62.54	56.93	62.14	66.08	61.27	59.14	66.73	57.79
EvolveGCN	56.36	63.15	54.27	58.21	62.64	57.13	57.98	64.14	56.92
TGAT	87.15	90.44	86.89	93.53	95.45	93.27	76.32	81.13	76.26
Meta-GNN	78.92	80.96	77.13	86.27	90.87	85.44	75.48	79.64	74.81
GraphSAGE+MAML	79.54	81.21	77.49	87.41	91.34	85.91	76.18	80.17	75.12
TGAT+MAML	83.29	85.04	83.04	87.46	91.07	87.09	73.86	78.03	72.67
<b>MetaDyGNN</b>	<b>95.21</b>	<b>96.02</b>	<b>94.32</b>	<b>96.03</b>	<b>97.89</b>	<b>95.98</b>	<b>83.15</b>	<b>88.76</b>	<b>82.15</b>
<i>Improvement</i>	9.25	6.17	8.55	2.67	2.56	2.91	8.95	9.40	7.72

Model/Result/AUC(%)	2-shot			4-shot			6-shot		
	Wikipedia	Reddit	DBLP	Wikipedia	Reddit	DBLP	Wikipedia	Reddit	DBLP
TGAT	90.20	95.20	81.01	90.21	95.23	80.98	90.23	95.34	81.03
Meta-GNN	75.81	82.96	74.03	77.89	87.69	76.63	79.03	89.92	78.84
GraphSAGE+MAML	76.21	83.34	74.17	78.42	88.31	77.17	79.21	90.34	79.17
TGAT+MAML	80.14	88.67	73.04	81.24	89.67	76.24	83.07	92.67	78.12
<b>MetaDyGNN</b>	<b>90.31</b>	<b>95.76</b>	<b>82.14</b>	<b>92.75</b>	<b>96.87</b>	<b>83.83</b>	<b>94.82</b>	<b>97.21</b>	<b>86.24</b>
<i>Improvement</i>	0.12	0.59	1.39	2.81	1.72	3.51	5.08	1.96	6.42

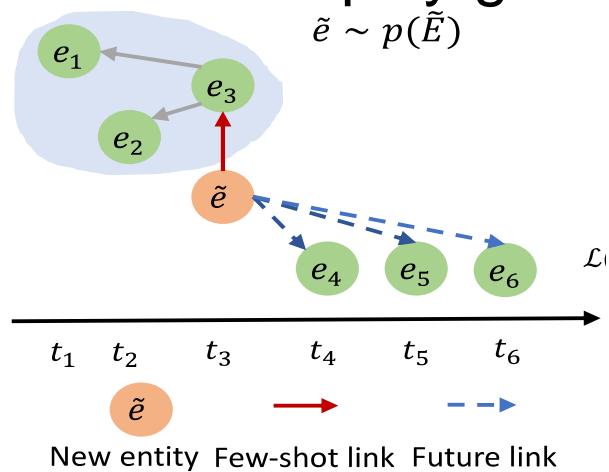
# Few-Shot Learning for New Nodes: MetaTKGR

- **Objective:** Further address challenge 3
  - Challenge 3: learn temporally robust parameters against distribution evolution
- **Motivation:** utilize prior estimation as temporal regularizers against distribution shift

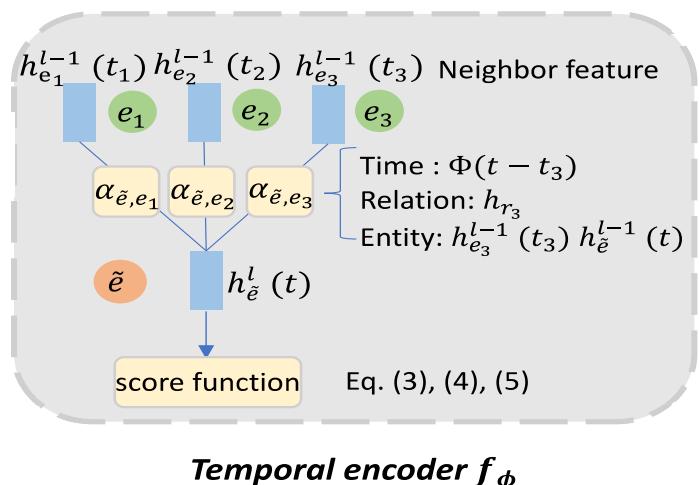


# Few-Shot Learning for New Nodes: MetaTKGR

- Method: Simplify general knowledge as sample & aggregation capability



- Temporal sampler:
  - Sample temporal neighbors;
  - Time bounded breadth first search;
- Temporal aggregation:
  - Aggregate information from sampled temporal neighbors;
  - Achieve by trainable attention weights;

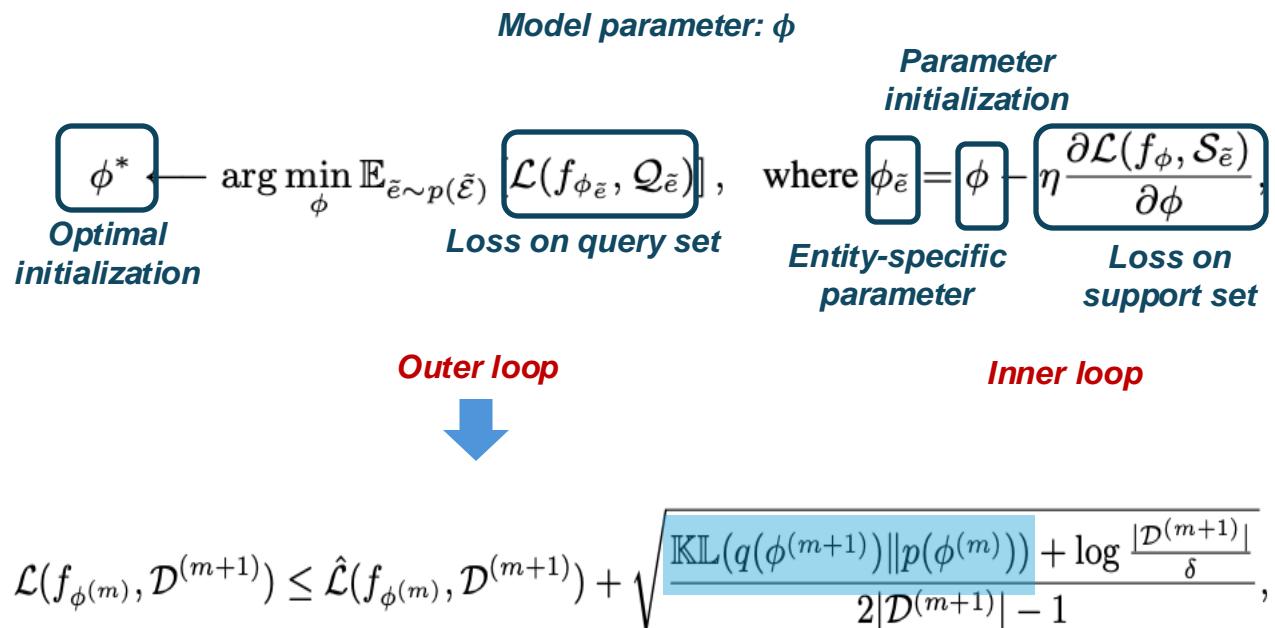


$$\mathbf{h}_{\tilde{e}}^l(t) = \sigma \left( \sum_{(e_i, r_i, t_i) \in \mathcal{N}_{\tilde{e}}(t)} \alpha_{\tilde{e}, e_i} \left( \mathbf{h}_{e_i}^{l-1}(t_i) \mathbf{W} \right) \right)$$

$$\alpha_{\tilde{e}, e_i} = \frac{\exp(q_{\tilde{e}, e_i})}{\sum_{(e_k, r_k, t_k) \in \mathcal{N}_{\tilde{e}}(t)} \exp(q_{\tilde{e}, e_k})} \quad q_{\tilde{e}, e_i} = \mathbf{a} \left( \mathbf{h}_{\tilde{e}}^{l-1} \| \mathbf{h}_{e_i}^{l-1} \| \mathbf{h}_{r_i} \| \Phi(t - t_i) \right)$$

# Few-Shot Learning for New Nodes: MetaTKGR

- **Method:** Propose bi-level temporal meta-learning framework
  - Inner loop: fine-tune on support set from initialization;
  - Outer loop: train on query set for **robust** global initialization



# Few-Shot Learning for New Nodes: MetaTKGR

## □ Setting:

- View entities appearing in last ~25% time interval as new entities.

## □ Baselines:

- **Static KGE:** TransE, TransR, RotatE;
- **Temporal KGE:** RE-NET;
- **Few-shot KGE:** LAN, I-GEN, T-GEN;
- **Few-shot temporal graph:** MetaDyGNN;

## □ Observation:

- MetaTKGR generally outperforms all baselines for 1,2,3-shot experiments.

Table 2: The results of 3-shot temporal knowledge graph reasoning. Average results on 5 independent runs are reported. \* indicates the statistically significant improvements over the best baseline, with  $p$ -value smaller than 0.001. We report standard deviation in Appendix A.5

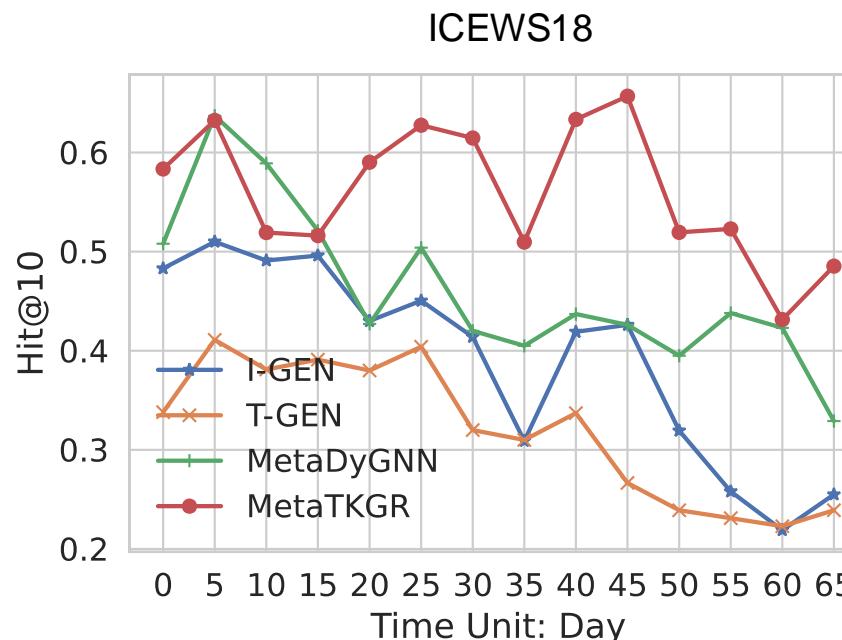
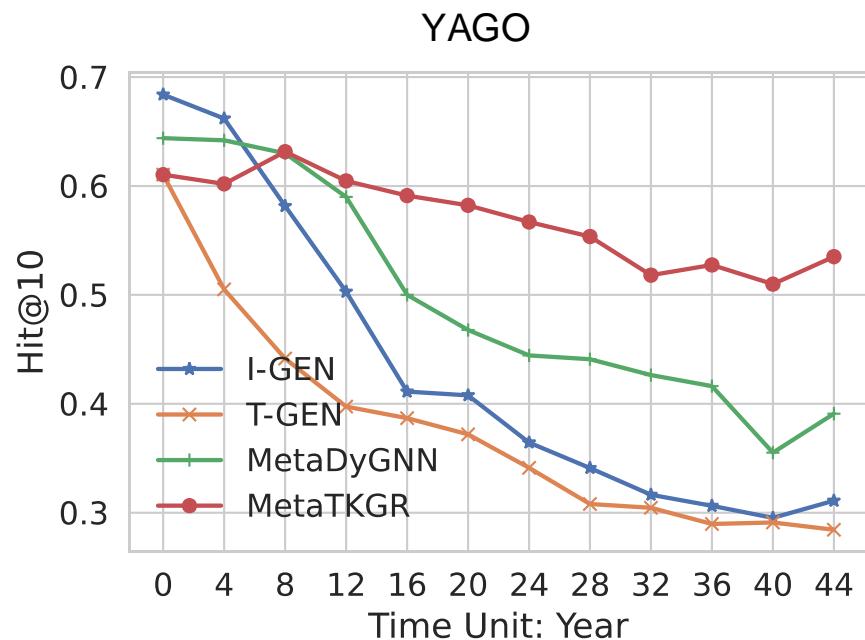
Models	YAGO				WIKI				ICEWS18			
	MRR	H@1	H@3	H@10	MRR	H@1	H@3	H@10	MRR	H@1	H@3	H@10
TransE	0.223	0.158	0.242	0.360	0.161	0.111	0.171	0.236	0.058	0.052	0.062	0.098
TransR	0.234	0.165	0.259	0.382	0.183	0.138	0.188	0.245	0.061	0.062	0.073	0.109
RotatE	0.241	0.182	0.278	0.409	0.232	0.171	0.223	0.284	0.078	0.074	0.082	0.128
RE-NET	0.261	0.210	0.298	0.410	0.261	0.210	0.251	0.331	0.232	0.139	0.241	0.369
LAN	0.230	0.154	0.247	0.352	0.185	0.133	0.201	0.287	0.207	0.119	0.234	0.321
I-GEN	0.303	0.238	0.323	0.420	0.221	0.179	0.229	0.264	0.212	0.120	0.251	0.346
T-GEN	0.292	0.218	0.310	0.394	0.234	0.185	0.222	0.271	0.169	0.122	0.184	0.265
MetaDyGNN	0.350	0.270	0.379	0.511	0.309	0.238	0.309	0.459	0.307	0.216	0.309	0.469
MetaTKGR	<b>0.370*</b>	<b>0.303*</b>	<b>0.416*</b>	<b>0.558*</b>	<b>0.329*</b>	<b>0.253*</b>	<b>0.335*</b>	<b>0.489*</b>	<b>0.335*</b>	<b>0.249*</b>	<b>0.340*</b>	<b>0.527*</b>
Gains (%)	5.68	12.21	9.80	9.19	6.26	6.38	8.47	6.35	9.11	14.85	9.89	12.4

Table 3: The results of 1-shot and 2-shot experiment. We report complete results in Appendix A.5.

Models	YAGO				WIKI				ICEWS18			
	1-shot		2-shot		1-shot		2-shot		1-shot		2-shot	
	MRR	H@10										
TransE	0.183	0.268	0.193	0.304	0.144	0.186	0.146	0.213	0.049	0.077	0.058	0.086
TransR	0.189	0.270	0.198	0.312	0.160	0.183	0.160	0.225	0.050	0.080	0.060	0.090
RotatE	0.215	0.280	0.210	0.359	0.175	0.190	0.201	0.268	0.068	0.098	0.070	0.091
RE-NET	0.221	0.304	0.233	0.390	0.212	0.259	0.239	0.294	0.185	0.250	0.200	0.341
LAN	0.196	0.269	0.200	0.310	0.174	0.275	0.162	0.273	0.170	0.301	0.188	0.317
I-GEN	0.238	0.321	0.237	0.402	0.181	0.241	0.223	0.287	0.199	0.320	0.177	0.337
T-GEN	0.247	0.331	0.260	0.379	0.202	0.245	0.240	0.319	0.131	0.262	0.161	0.259
MetaDyGNN	0.269	0.396	0.316	0.496	0.241	0.371	0.271	0.390	0.249	0.420	0.269	0.441
MetaTKGR	<b>0.294*</b>	<b>0.428*</b>	<b>0.356*</b>	<b>0.526*</b>	<b>0.277*</b>	<b>0.419*</b>	<b>0.309*</b>	<b>0.441*</b>	<b>0.295*</b>	<b>0.496*</b>	<b>0.301*</b>	<b>0.500*</b>
Gains (%)	9.43	8.04	12.69	6.14	14.64	12.93	14.04	13.20	18.45	17.87	11.47	13.39

# Few-Shot Learning for New Nodes: MetaTKGR

- MetaTKGR produces relatively robust performance over time;
- Performance curve of ICEWS18 fluctuates a lot, due to much shorter time unit (day).

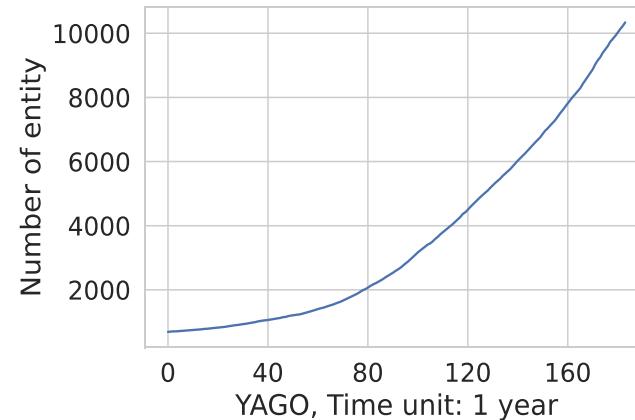
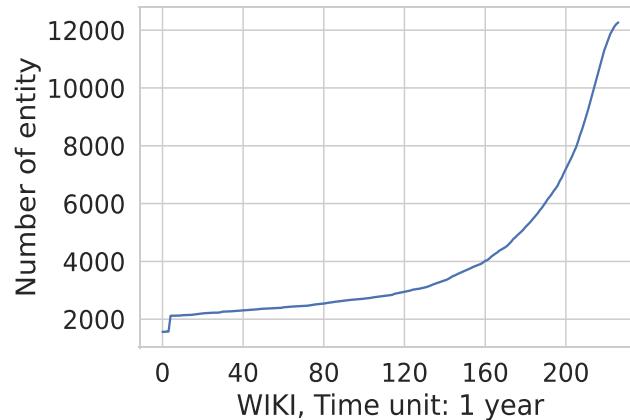


# Limitations of MetaTKGR

- ❑ **Challenge 2:** design meta-learning algorithms that are compatible with TGNN
- ❑ **Insufficient consideration of new node patterns:**
  - ❑  **Few-shot initial links**
  - ❑  **Topology information: e.g., geometry pattern, ...**
  - ❑  **Total amount: exponential growth**

# Distribution of New Nodes on Temporal Graphs

## ❑ Exponential growth:



*Number of nodes over time.*

## ❑ Latent space should have large capacity to learn discriminative representations:

### ❑ Euclidean space: area grows polynomially w.r.t. radius.

### ❑ Harder model adaptation:

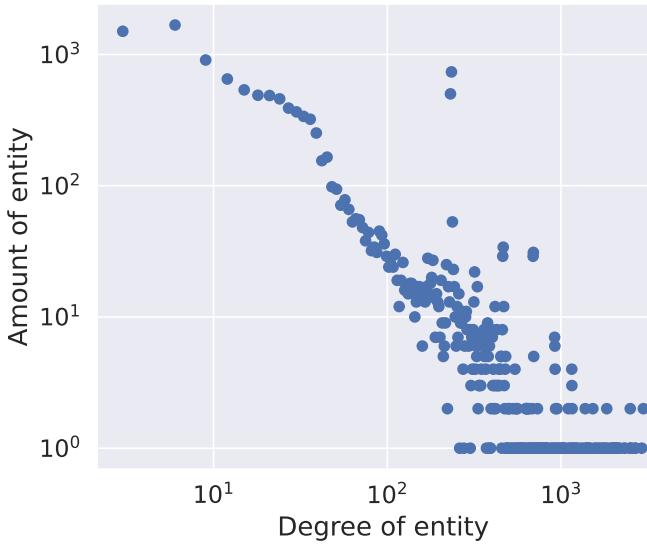
#### ❑ Change to higher-dimensional space;

#### ❑ Enlarge radius of area.

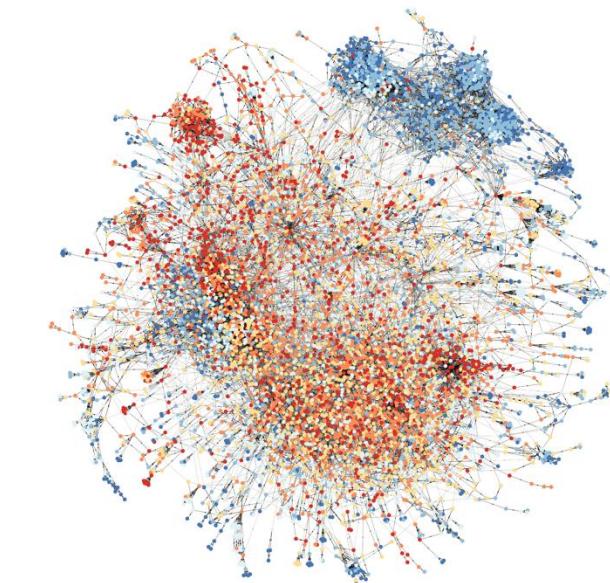
# Distribution of New Nodes on Temporal Graphs

- Power-law distribution and hierarchical structures:

Distribution and graph hierarchy visualization on Wiki graphs.



*Power-law distribution*



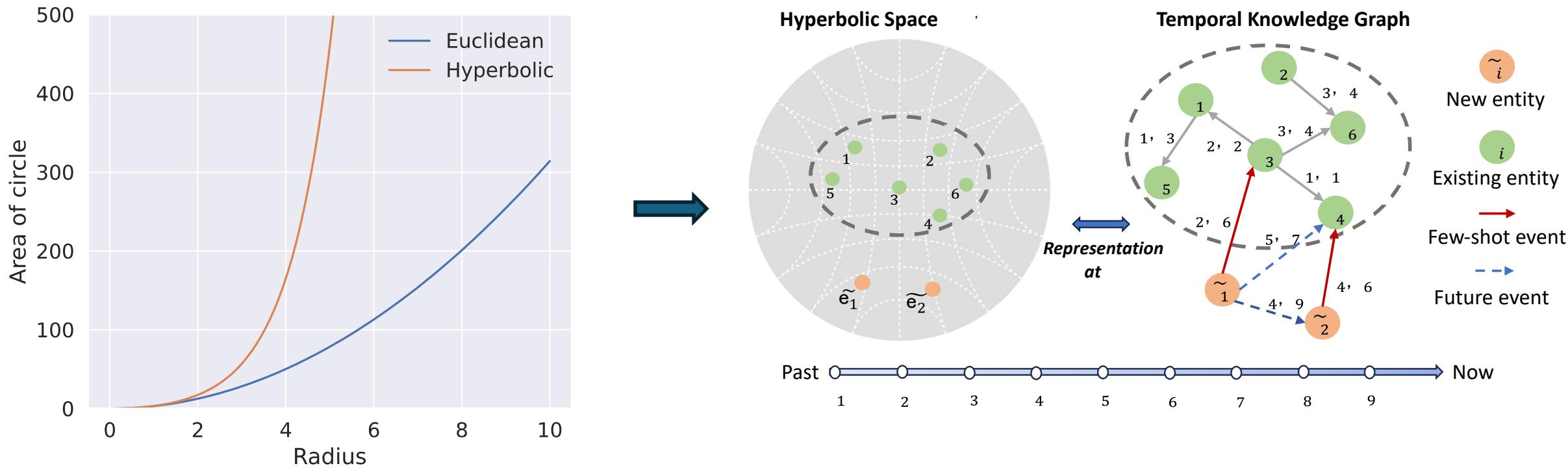
*Graph hierarchy  
existing (red) v.s. new (blue)*

- Latent geometry should be good at capturing power-law distribution and hierarchical structures :

- Euclidean space: capture grid-structured data

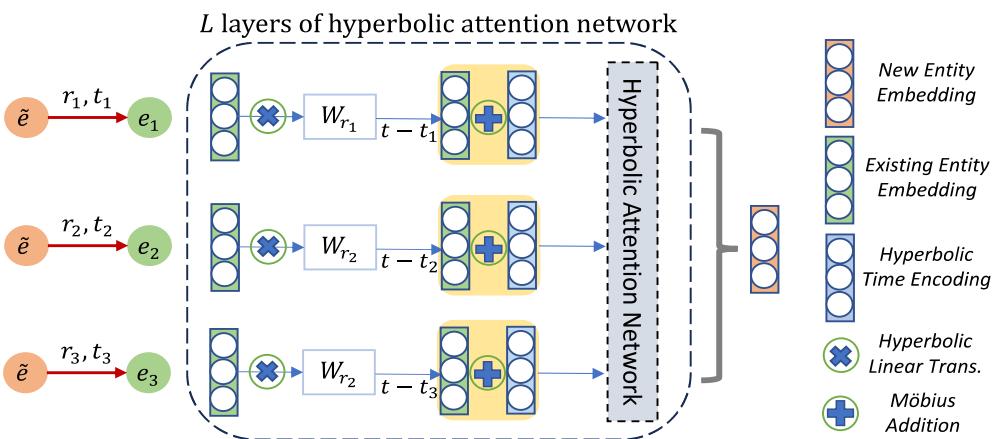
# Few-Shot Learning for New Nodes: MetaHKG

- Motivation: represent temporal graphs on a hyperbolic space that yields easier model adaptation for new nodes.



# Few-Shot Learning for New Nodes: MetaHKG

- Method: temporal graph representation on hyperbolic space
  - Hyperbolic attention layers



- Hyperbolic time encoding

$$\phi_{\mathcal{B}}(t) = \frac{\tanh(\sqrt{cd}/2)}{\sqrt{c/2}d} (\cos(\omega_1 t), \sin(\omega_1 t), \dots, \cos(\omega_{d/2} t), \sin(\omega_{d/2} t))$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{K}_{\mathcal{B}}(t_i + \Delta t, t_j + \Delta t) &= \langle \phi_{\mathcal{B}}(t_i + \Delta t), \phi_{\mathcal{B}}(t_j + \Delta t) \rangle_{\mathcal{B}} \\ &= \mathcal{K}_{\mathcal{B}}(t_i, t_j) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{h}_{e_i, r_i, t_i}^{\mathcal{B}, l}(t) &= \mathbf{W}_{r_i}^l \otimes^c \mathbf{h}_{e_i}^{\mathcal{B}, l-1}(t_i) \oplus^c \phi_{\mathcal{B}}(t - t_i) \\ \mathbf{h}_{\tilde{e}}^{\mathcal{B}, l}(t) &= \exp_0^c \left( \sigma \left( \sum_{(e_i, r_i, t_i) \in \mathcal{N}_{\tilde{e}}(t)} \alpha_{\tilde{e}, e_i} \log_0^c \left( \mathbf{h}_{e_i, r_i, t_i}^{\mathcal{B}, l}(t) \right) \right) \right) \\ \alpha_{\tilde{e}, e_i} &= \frac{\exp(q_{\tilde{e}, e_i})}{\sum_{(e_k, r_k, t_k) \in \mathcal{N}_{\tilde{e}}(t)} \exp(q_{\tilde{e}, e_k})} \\ q_{\tilde{e}, e_i} &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{d}} \left( \mathbf{W}_k^l \otimes^c \mathbf{h}_{e_i, r_i, t_i}^{\mathcal{B}, l}(t) \right)^T \cdot \left( \mathbf{W}_q^l \otimes^c \mathbf{h}_{\tilde{e}}^{\mathcal{B}, l-1}(t) \right) \end{aligned}$$

**THEOREM 3.1 (TRANSLATION INVARIANCE).** Let the temporal kernel be  $\mathcal{K}_{\mathcal{B}}(t_i, t_j) = \langle \phi_{\mathcal{B}}(t_i), \phi_{\mathcal{B}}(t_j) \rangle_{\mathcal{B}}$ , where  $\phi_{\mathcal{B}}(t)$  is defined in Eq. (6). Then the temporal kernel is translation-invariant, i.e.,  $\mathcal{K}_{\mathcal{B}}(t_i + \Delta t, t_j + \Delta t) = \langle \phi_{\mathcal{B}}(t_i + \Delta t), \phi_{\mathcal{B}}(t_j + \Delta t) \rangle_{\mathcal{B}} = \mathcal{K}_{\mathcal{B}}(t_i, t_j)$ , for any constant  $\Delta t$ .

**PROOF.** By Eq. (6), the following equation holds:

$$\langle \phi_{\mathcal{B}}(t_i), \phi_{\mathcal{B}}(t_j) \rangle_{\mathcal{B}} = \frac{\tanh^2(\sqrt{cd}/2)}{cd^2/2} \langle \phi_{\mathcal{E}}(t_i), \phi_{\mathcal{E}}(t_j) \rangle,$$

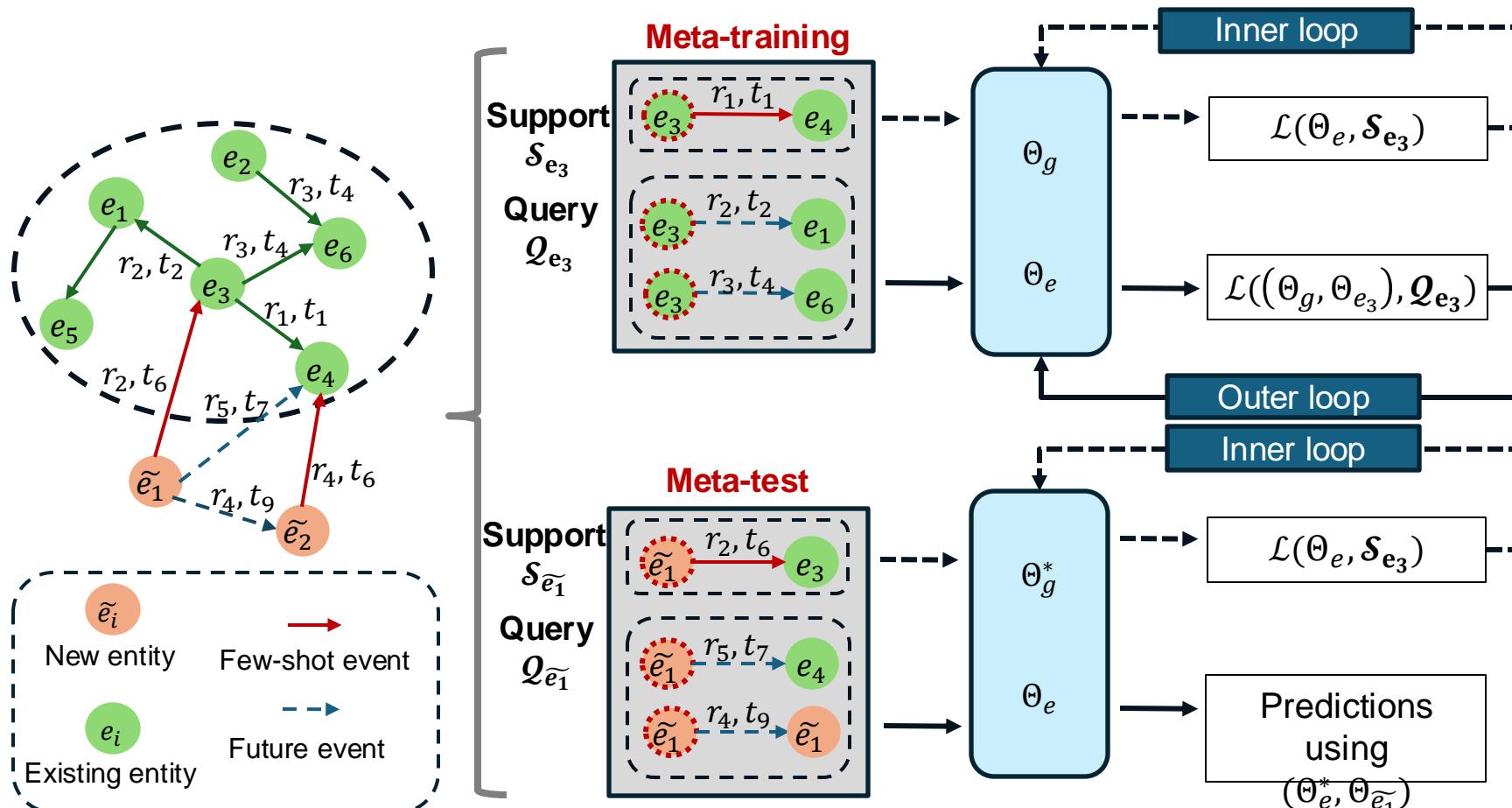
In the Euclidean space, according to the Bochner's theorem and [11], we have  $\mathcal{K}(t_i, t_j) = \langle \phi_{\mathcal{E}}(t_i), \phi_{\mathcal{E}}(t_j) \rangle = \psi(t_i - t_j)$ , where there exists a function  $\psi$  that is translation invariant. Therefore, we have the following for  $\mathcal{K}_{\mathcal{B}}(t_i, t_j)$ :

$$\mathcal{K}_{\mathcal{B}}(t_i, t_j) = \langle \phi_{\mathcal{B}}(t_i), \phi_{\mathcal{B}}(t_j) \rangle_{\mathcal{B}} = \psi_{\mathcal{B}}(t_i - t_j),$$

$$\text{where } \psi_{\mathcal{B}} = f \circ \psi \text{ and } f(x) = \frac{\tanh^2(\sqrt{cd}/2)}{cd^2/2} x.$$

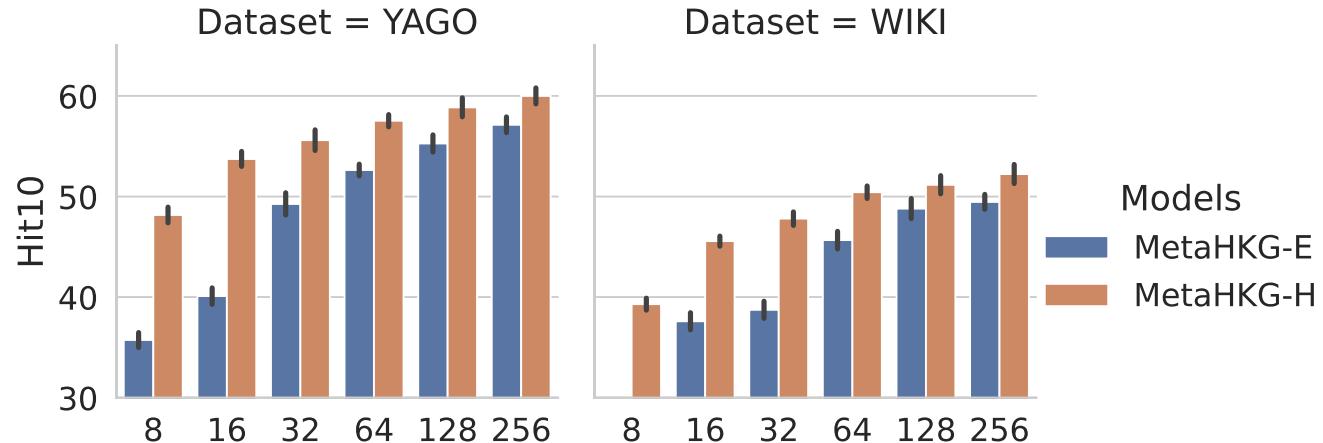
# Few-Shot Learning for New Nodes: MetaHKG

- **Global parameters**  $\Theta_g$ : relation embedding, time embedding, trainable curvature.
- **Entity-specific parameters**  $\Theta_e$ : node embedding, attention parameters.



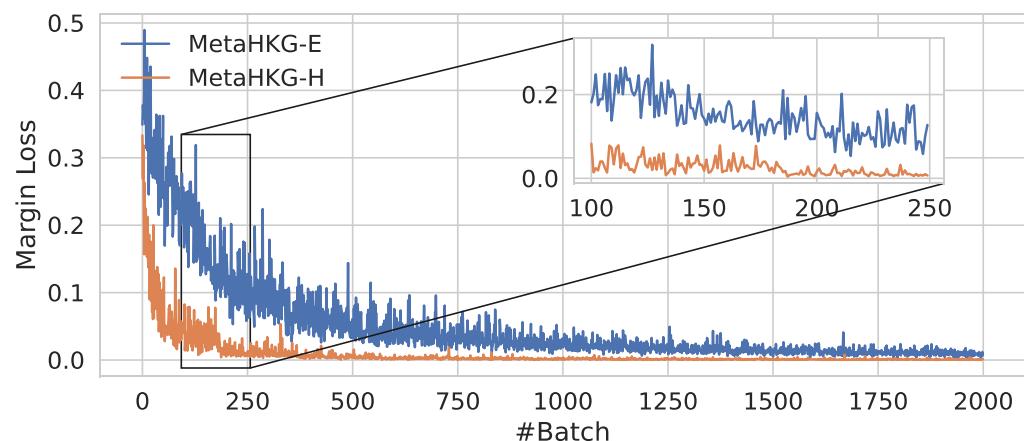
# Few-Shot Learning for New Nodes: MetaHKG

- ❑ Lower-dimension of representation: 32-d (H) vs. 128/256-d (E)



*MetaHKG-E: Euclidean  
MetaHKG-H: Hyperbolic*

- ❑ Stable training process because of easier model adaptation:



*MetaHKG-E: Euclidean  
MetaHKG-H: Hyperbolic*

# Few-Shot Learning for New Time Intervals

- ❑ New edges/nodes continually emerge over time
- ❑ The link prediction models need efficient updates to maintain satisfying performance over time.

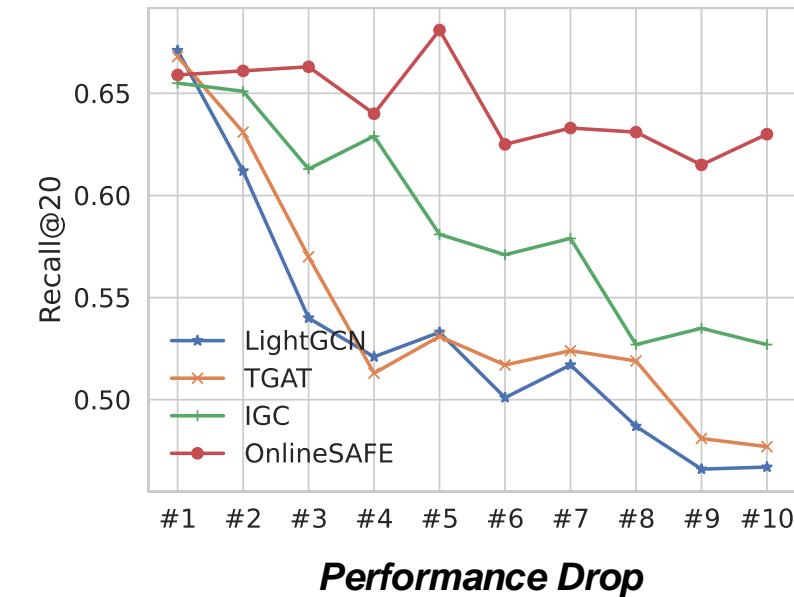
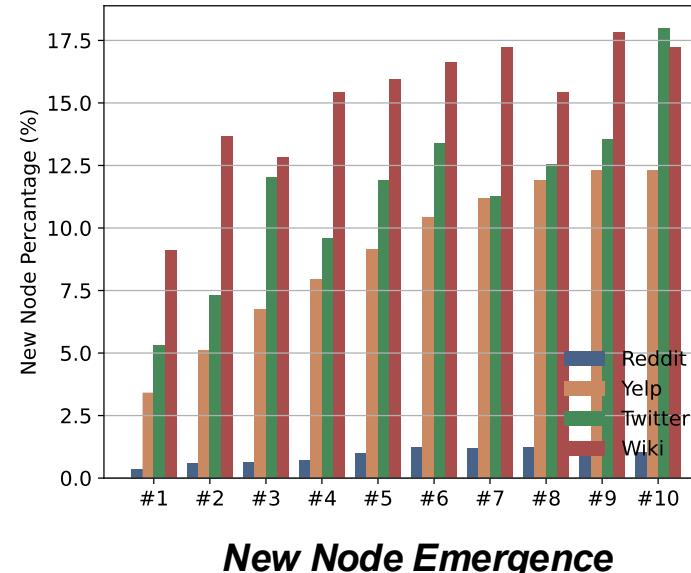
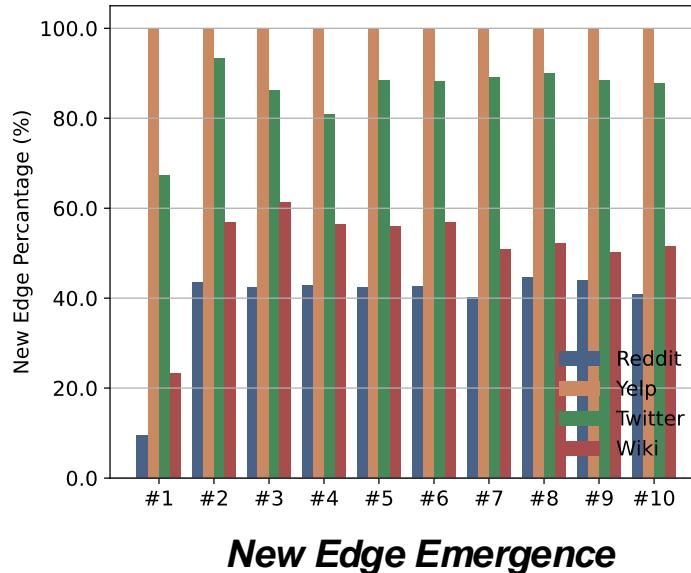
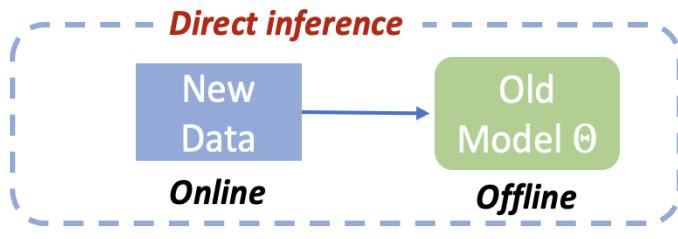


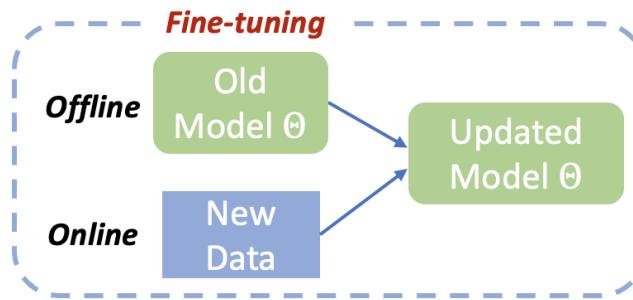
Figure shows percentage of new nodes/edges per time interval  
(wiki/reddit: per ~ 1 day; Twitter: per ~2 weeks; Yelp: per ~4 months)

# Few-Shot Learning for New Time: Existing Solutions

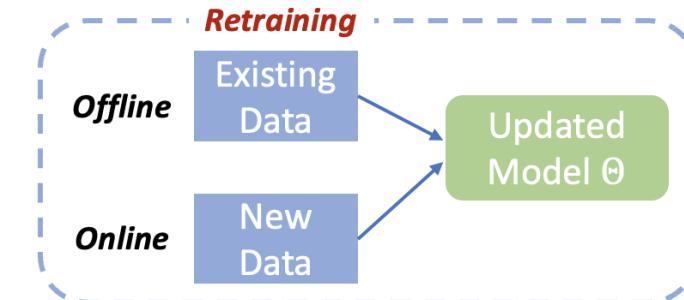
## ❑ Naïve strategies



*Update time: 0s*  
*Performance: 0.561*



*Update time: 40.5s*  
*Performance: 0.730*



*Update time: 1395.8s*  
*Performance: 0.744*

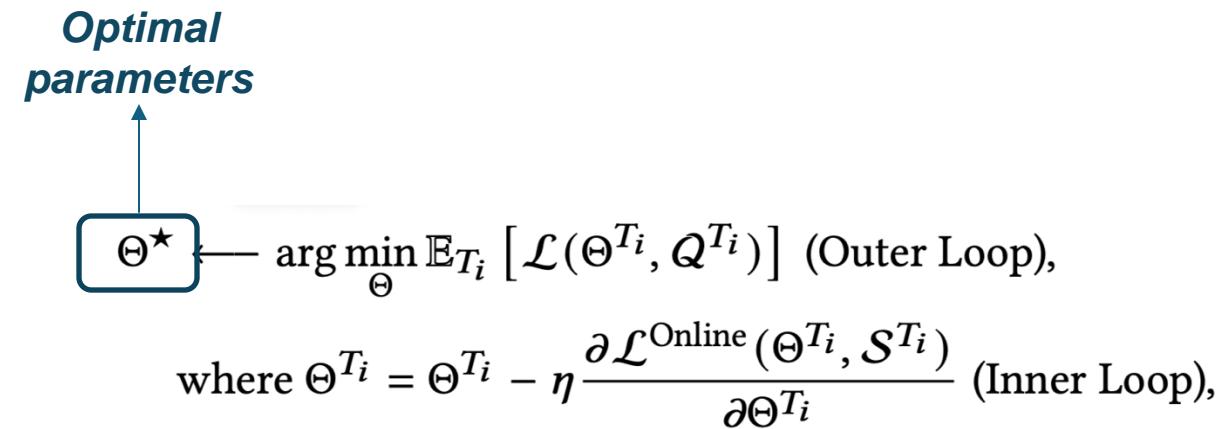
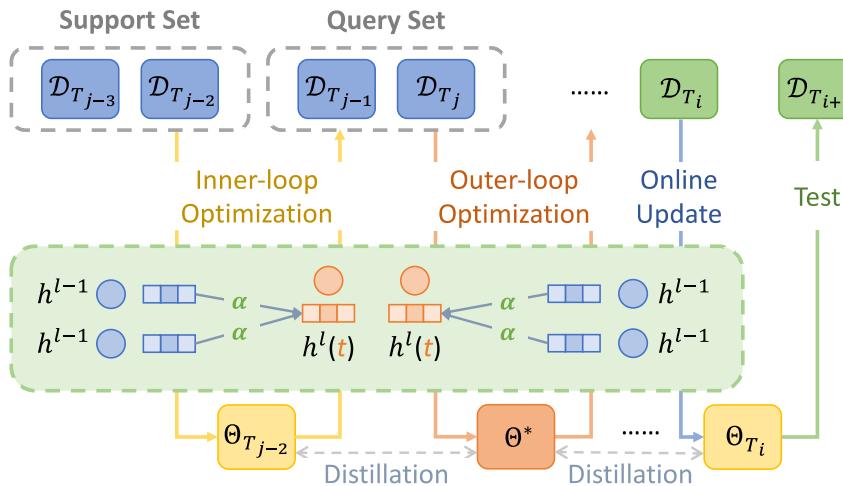
Result comparison on Reddit data (~11,000 nodes, ~0.67M temporal edges, daily update)

## ❑ Worse than existing static solutions

	Settings	Offline Setting				Online Setting	
		Models	First	Last	Dacay	Avg.	Strategy
<b>Static model:</b>	LightGCN	0.751	0.607	↓ 19.2%	0.661	Fine-tuning	0.741
	IGC	-	-	-	-	IGC	<b>0.754</b>
<b>Temporal model:</b>	TGAT	0.745	0.642	↓ 13.8%	<b>0.681</b>	Retraining	<u>0.744</u>
						<i>Better during offline</i>	<i>But worse during online</i>

# Few-Shot Learning for New Time: **TGOnline**

- **Motivation:** knowledge distillation from global parameters:
- **Objective:** avoid overfitting exclusively on new data.
- How to enhance generalization of the global parameters: **meta optimization**



**Meta task:** adapt global knowledge on recently collected new data to update the model for future link prediction

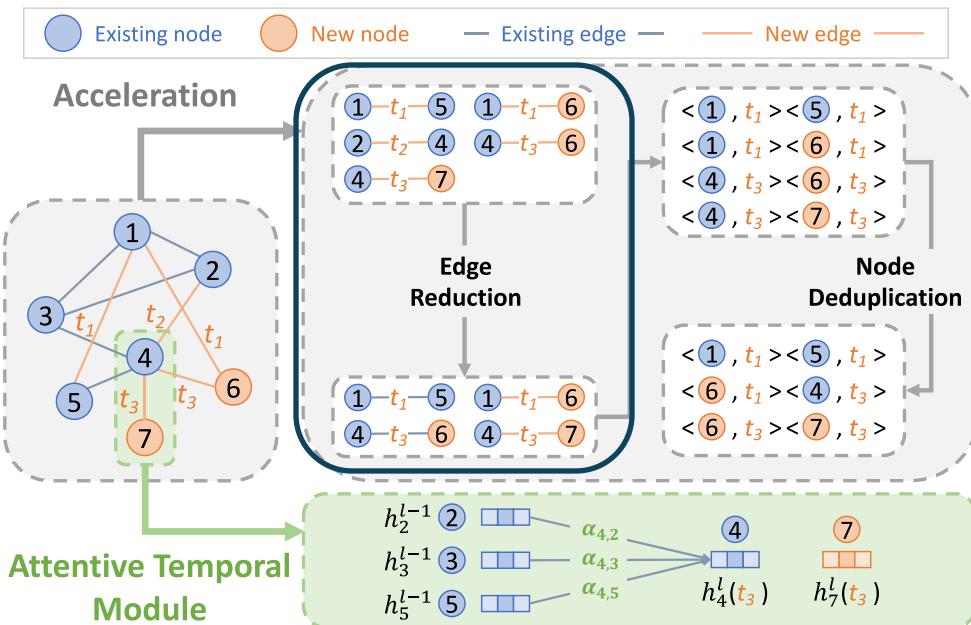
**Support set  $S$ :** edges from several recent time steps.

**Query set  $Q$ :** edges from several future time steps.

**Inner loop:** distillation-guided fine-tuning (support set).  
**Outer loop:** extract global knowledge (query set).

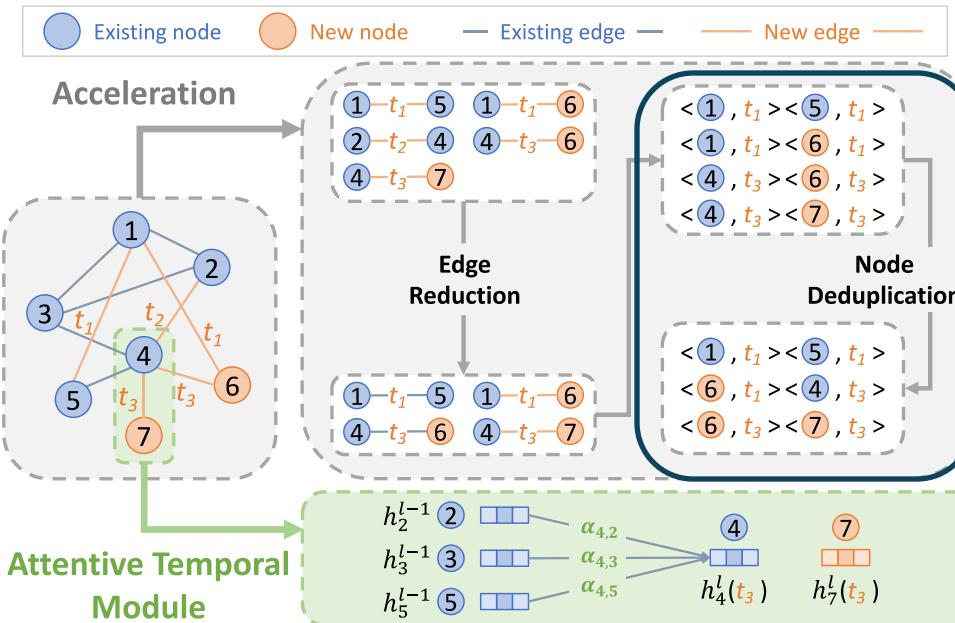
# Few-Shot Learning for New Time: TGOnline

- Objective: Improve efficiency:
  - Edge reduction



New edge **(2, 4, t2)** is skipped as it connects two nodes within **2-hop neighborhood** in previous time intervals.

- Node deduplication



Node computation **(1, t1), (4, t3)** are removed because of duplication.

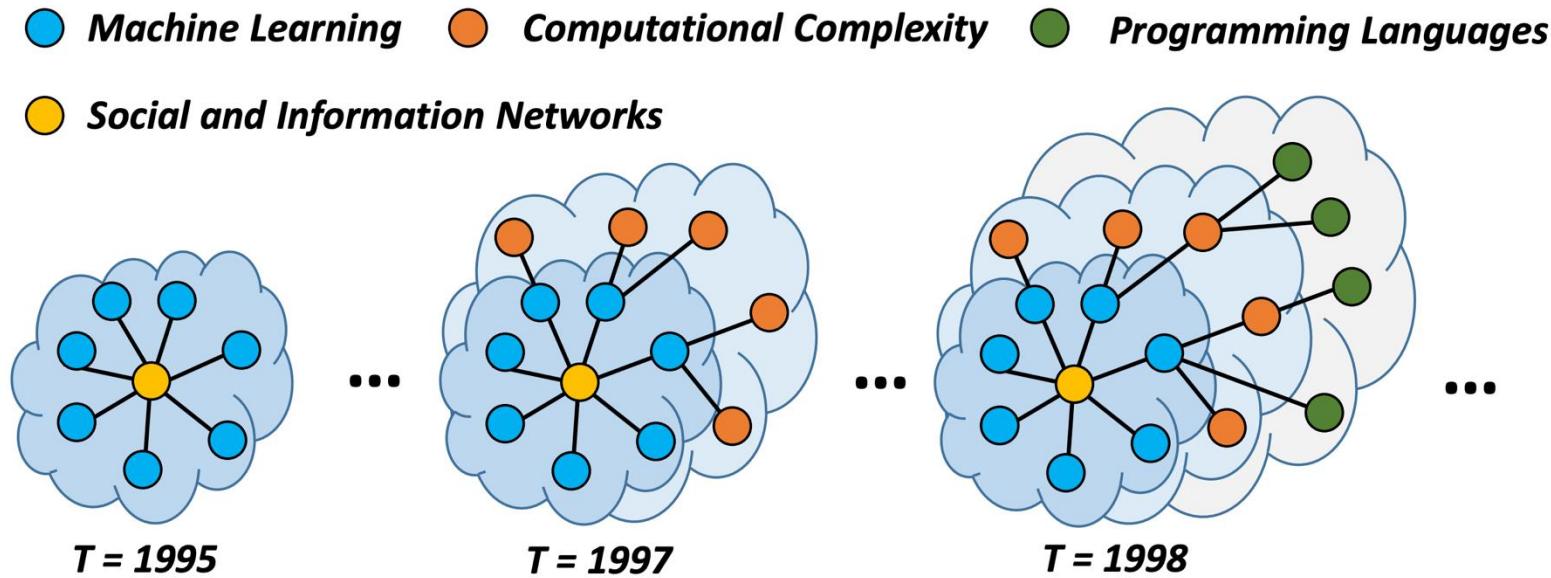
# Few-Shot Learning for New Time: **TGOnline**

## ☐ Experiment: online setting

Dataset	Wiki		Reddit		Twitter		Yelp	
Performance	Recall@20	NDCG@20	Recall@20	NDCG@20	Recall@20	NDCG@20	Recall@20	NDCG@20
<b>MF</b>	$0.662 \pm 0.013$	$0.319 \pm 0.005$	$0.750 \pm 0.017$	$0.522 \pm 0.004$	$0.172 \pm 0.007$	$0.099 \pm 0.002$	$0.183 \pm 0.002$	$0.125 \pm 0.002$
<b>GAE</b>	$0.481 \pm 0.018$	$0.221 \pm 0.012$	$0.708 \pm 0.013$	$0.481 \pm 0.017$	$0.600 \pm 0.000$	$0.307 \pm 0.001$	$0.213 \pm 0.001$	$0.091 \pm 0.000$
<b>GAT</b>	$0.540 \pm 0.007$	$0.328 \pm 0.012$	$0.706 \pm 0.007$	$0.490 \pm 0.007$	$0.340 \pm 0.009$	$0.154 \pm 0.023$	$0.091 \pm 0.002$	$0.038 \pm 0.001$
<b>GIN</b>	$0.409 \pm 0.016$	$0.193 \pm 0.006$	$0.568 \pm 0.055$	$0.345 \pm 0.050$	$0.519 \pm 0.009$	$0.287 \pm 0.008$	$0.220 \pm 0.001$	$0.093 \pm 0.001$
<b>LightGCN</b>	$0.698 \pm 0.003$	$0.503 \pm 0.003$	$0.741 \pm 0.001$	$0.561 \pm 0.003$	$0.568 \pm 0.001$	$0.291 \pm 0.001$	$0.224 \pm 0.003$	$0.092 \pm 0.001$
<b>GRU4Rec</b>	$0.080 \pm 0.001$	$0.046 \pm 0.001$	$0.048 \pm 0.001$	$0.037 \pm 0.000$	$0.056 \pm 0.000$	$0.030 \pm 0.000$	$0.026 \pm 0.000$	$0.010 \pm 0.000$
<b>JODIE</b>	$0.239 \pm 0.015$	$0.198 \pm 0.024$	$0.211 \pm 0.011$	$0.183 \pm 0.025$	$0.139 \pm 0.015$	$0.098 \pm 0.007$	OOM	OOM
<b>EGCN-H/O</b>	$0.089 \pm 0.002$	$0.039 \pm 0.001$	$0.471 \pm 0.007$	$0.285 \pm 0.004$	$0.250 \pm 0.010$	$0.124 \pm 0.007$	OOM	OOM
<b>VGRNN</b>	$0.048 \pm 0.030$	$0.025 \pm 0.016$	$0.389 \pm 0.073$	$0.193 \pm 0.036$	$0.389 \pm 0.073$	$0.193 \pm 0.036$	$0.165 \pm 0.014$	$0.071 \pm 0.006$
<b>Euler</b>	$0.040 \pm 0.010$	$0.018 \pm 0.005$	$0.484 \pm 0.032$	$0.242 \pm 0.017$	$0.600 \pm 0.003$	$0.334 \pm 0.002$	$0.070 \pm 0.021$	$0.028 \pm 0.010$
<b>DySAT</b>	$0.442 \pm 0.010$	$0.224 \pm 0.002$	$0.668 \pm 0.002$	$0.426 \pm 0.007$	$0.410 \pm 0.011$	$0.176 \pm 0.011$	$0.020 \pm 0.000$	$0.007 \pm 0.000$
<b>DIDA</b>	$0.601 \pm 0.007$	$0.510 \pm 0.009$	$0.617 \pm 0.015$	$0.392 \pm 0.025$	$0.551 \pm 0.016$	$0.391 \pm 0.012$	$0.242 \pm 0.002$	$0.136 \pm 0.002$
<b>TGAT</b>	$0.664 \pm 0.010$	$0.529 \pm 0.008$	$0.744 \pm 0.011$	$0.618 \pm 0.017$	$0.604 \pm 0.010$	$0.231 \pm 0.006$	$0.215 \pm 0.012$	$0.121 \pm 0.013$
<b>SPMF</b>	$0.585 \pm 0.007$	$0.358 \pm 0.006$	$0.741 \pm 0.001$	$0.507 \pm 0.002$	$0.022 \pm 0.003$	$0.007 \pm 0.001$	$0.166 \pm 0.001$	$0.100 \pm 0.001$
<b>SML</b>	$0.374 \pm 0.023$	$0.190 \pm 0.017$	$0.704 \pm 0.013$	$0.455 \pm 0.016$	$0.500 \pm 0.071$	$0.250 \pm 0.049$	$0.177 \pm 0.010$	$0.111 \pm 0.003$
<b>IGC</b>	$0.685 \pm 0.014$	$0.526 \pm 0.011$	$0.754 \pm 0.011$	$0.589 \pm 0.010$	$0.577 \pm 0.002$	$0.335 \pm 0.005$	$0.248 \pm 0.008$	$0.132 \pm 0.006$
<b>ROLAND</b>	$0.681 \pm 0.015$	$0.536 \pm 0.028$	$0.757 \pm 0.009$	$0.592 \pm 0.019$	$0.561 \pm 0.015$	$0.324 \pm 0.021$	$0.231 \pm 0.012$	$0.129 \pm 0.021$
<b>MetaDyGNN</b>	$0.667 \pm 0.030$	$0.510 \pm 0.018$	$0.752 \pm 0.023$	$0.610 \pm 0.031$	$0.581 \pm 0.030$	$0.350 \pm 0.019$	$0.251 \pm 0.024$	$0.129 \pm 0.011$
<b>TGOnline</b>	$0.716 \pm 0.017$	$0.575 \pm 0.005$	$0.807 \pm 0.006$	$0.645 \pm 0.010$	$0.644 \pm 0.002$	$0.475 \pm 0.002$	$0.272 \pm 0.005$	$0.157 \pm 0.002$
<b>Gains (%)</b>	2.6	8.7	7.0	4.4	5.9	8.0	9.8	15.4

# Few-Shot Learning for New Classes

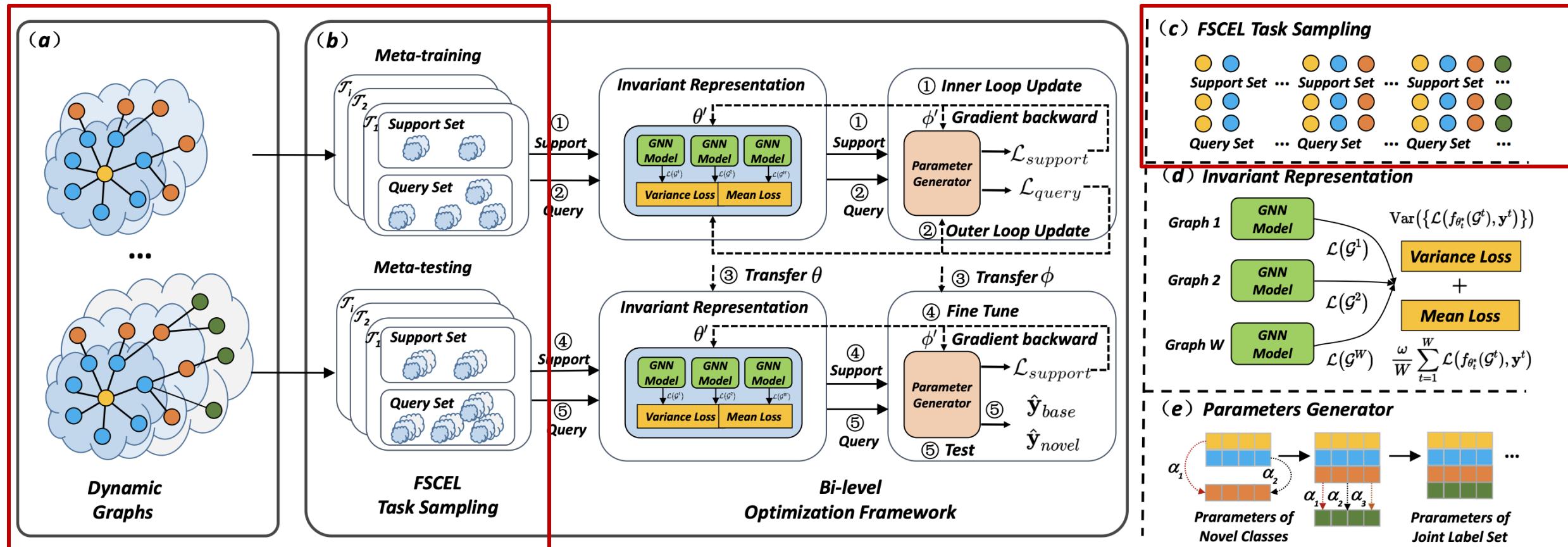
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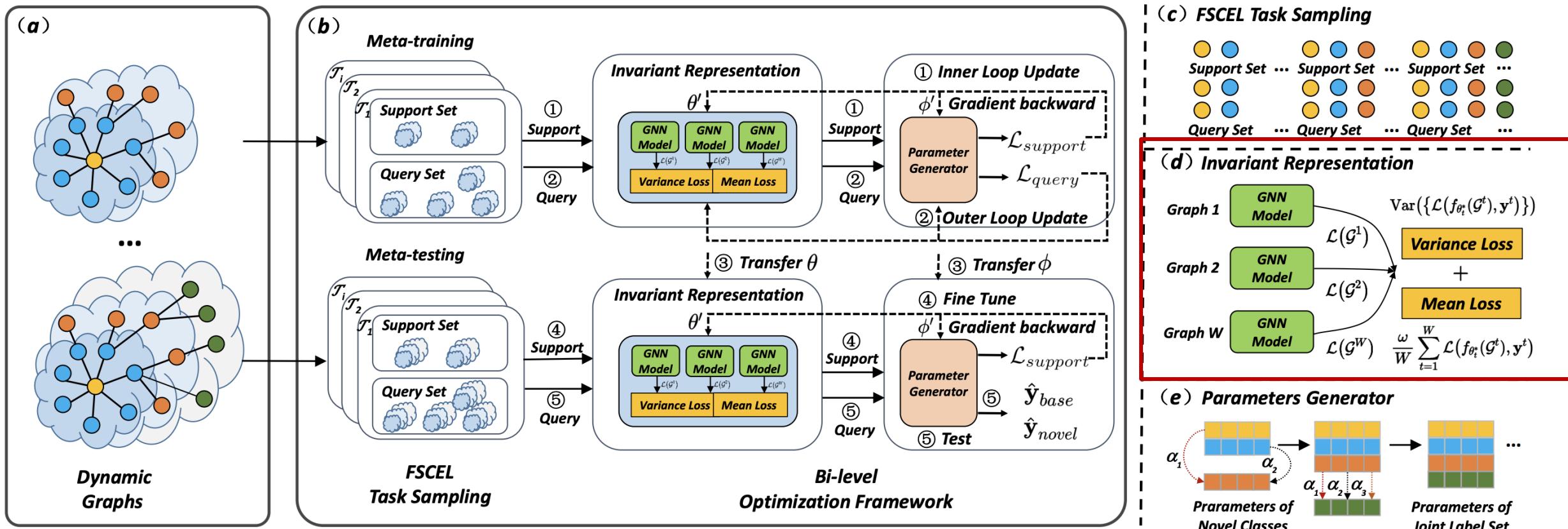
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- LGP is composed by:
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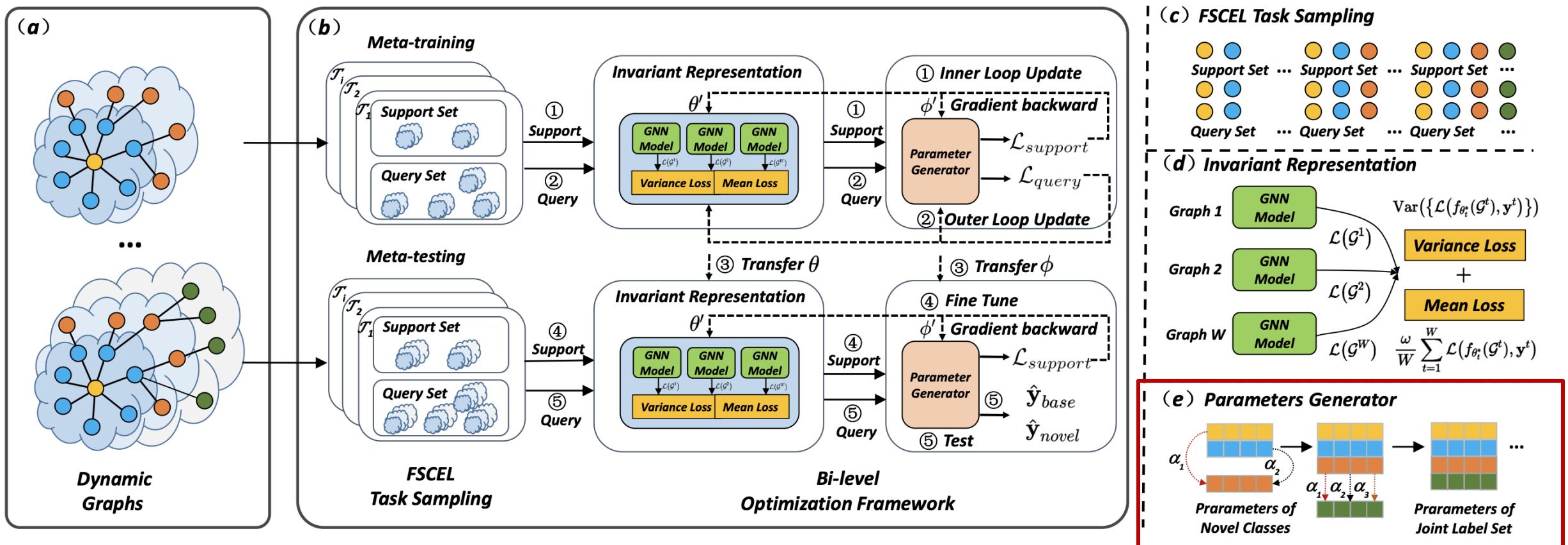
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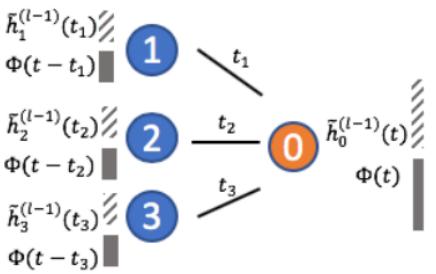


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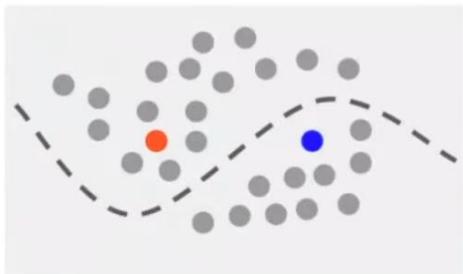
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<b>Meta-GCN</b>	$25.1 \pm 1.2$	$22.3 \pm 2.1$	$15.9 \pm 0.5$	$27.2 \pm 1.0$	$20.7 \pm 0.5$	$12.3 \pm 2.0$	$8.5 \pm 0.9$	$10.6 \pm 0.4$	$5.2 \pm 0.9$	$8.9 \pm 0.5$
<b>Meta-SGC</b>	$31.4 \pm 1.9$	$37.4 \pm 1.6$	$13.4 \pm 0.8$	$17.1 \pm 0.7$	$12.2 \pm 0.7$	$12.0 \pm 1.3$	$13.5 \pm 0.5$	$9.8 \pm 0.6$	$9.7 \pm 0.5$	$6.0 \pm 0.5$
<b>G-Meta</b>	$60.6 \pm 2.9$	$46.0 \pm 1.5$	$35.8 \pm 2.1$	$33.3 \pm 1.3$	$26.0 \pm 1.6$	$28.5 \pm 4.5$	$22.7 \pm 2.1$	$27.6 \pm 0.8$	$11.2 \pm 7.0$	$20.2 \pm 1.9$
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# Part II Summary: Data-Efficient TGNN



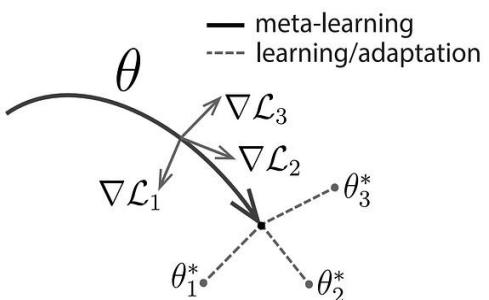
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# Towards Efficient Temporal Graph Learning: Algorithms, Frameworks, and Tools

## Coffee Break 15:30 – 16:00

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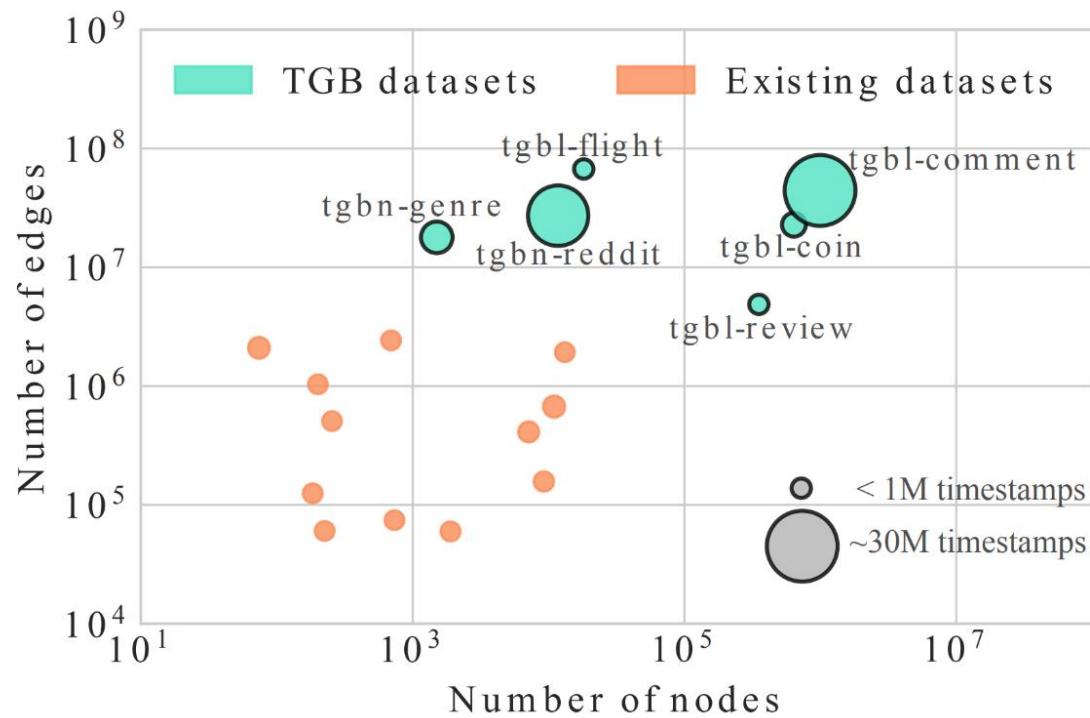
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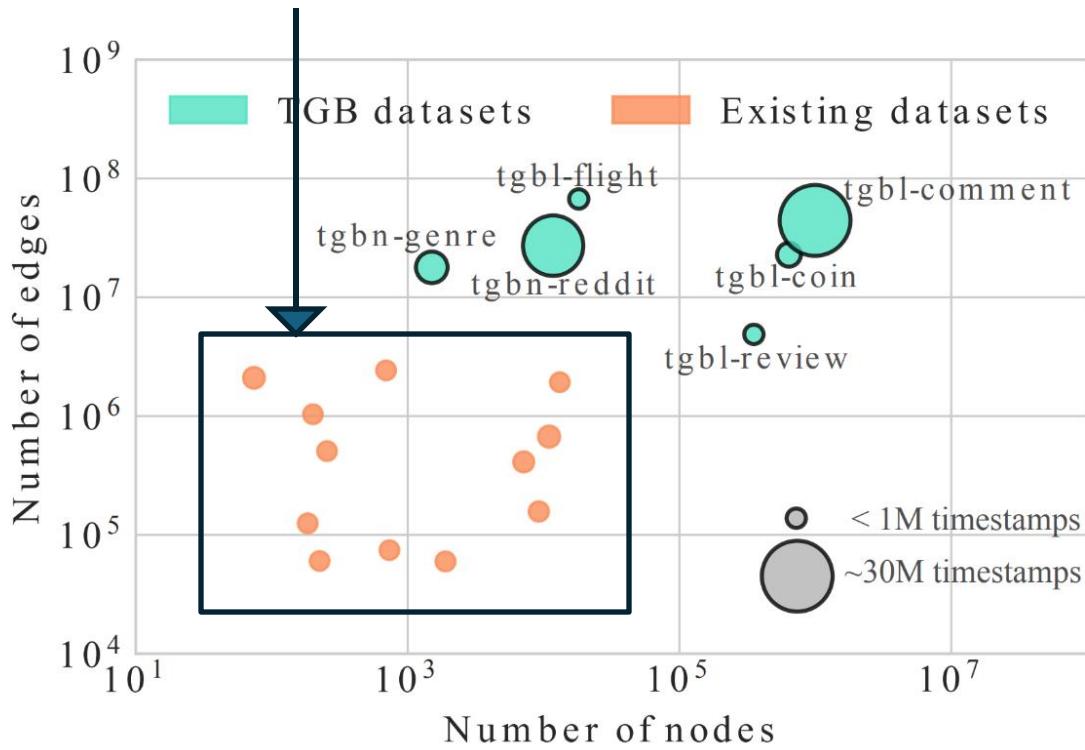
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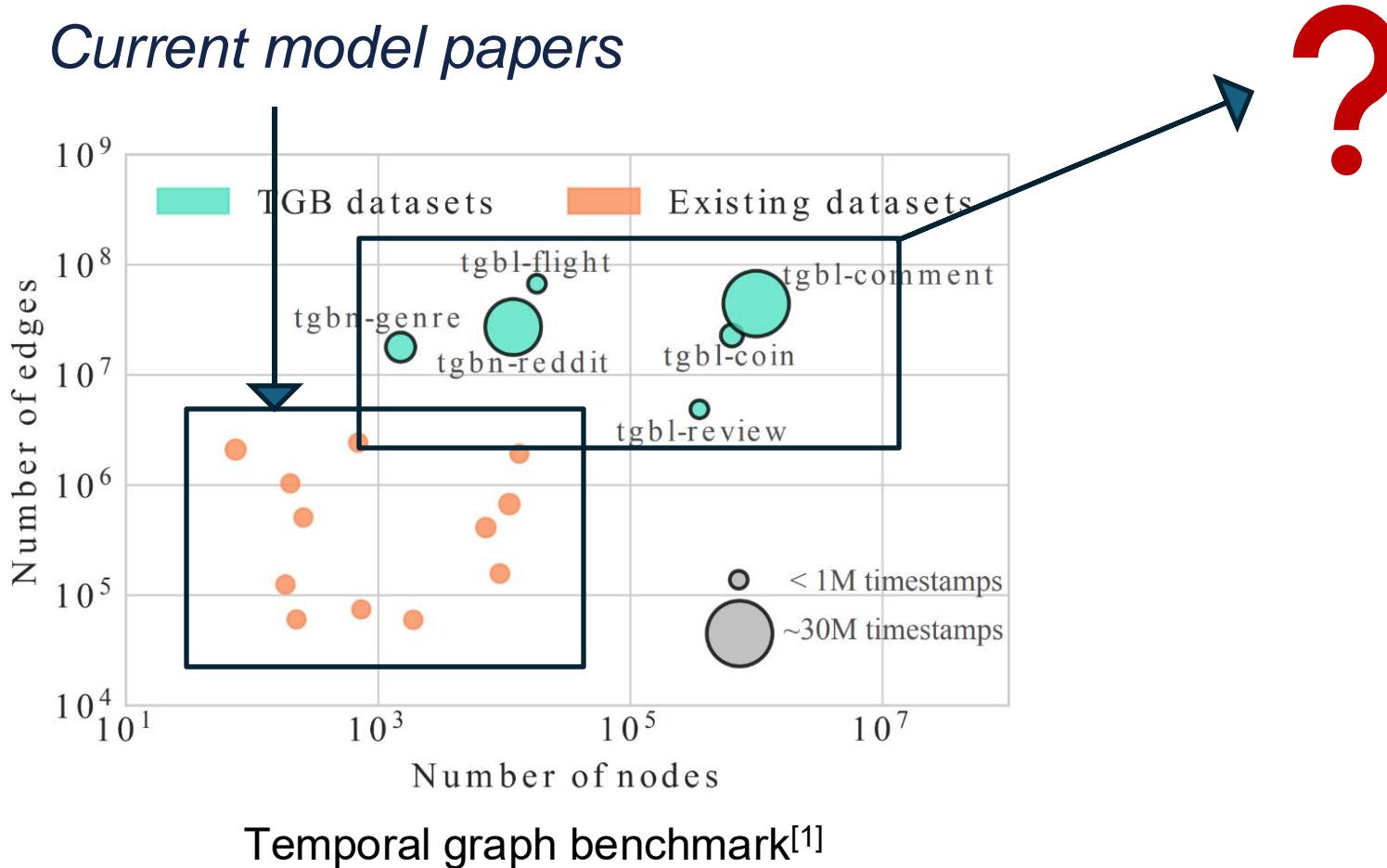
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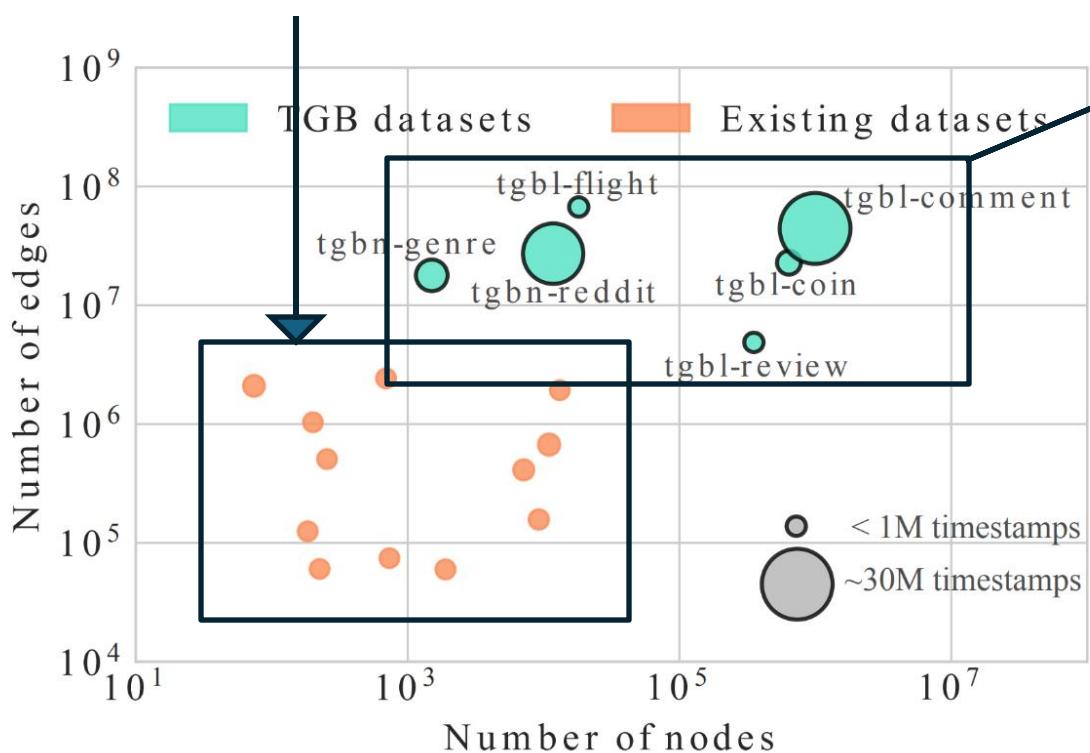


Temporal graph benchmark<sup>[1]</sup>

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**Problems:**

- Days to converge
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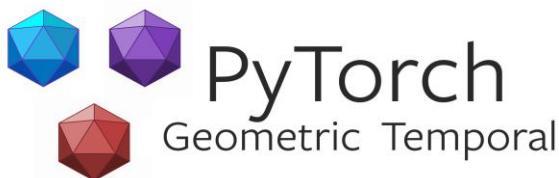


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- DTDG Frameworks



- CTDG Frameworks

## TGL: A General Framework for Temporal GNN Training on Billion-Scale Graphs

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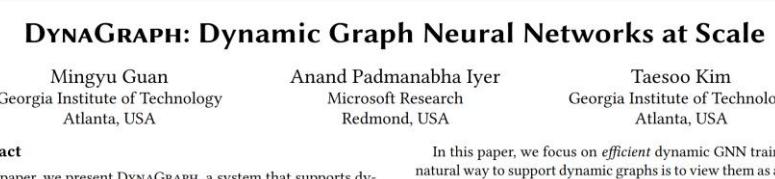
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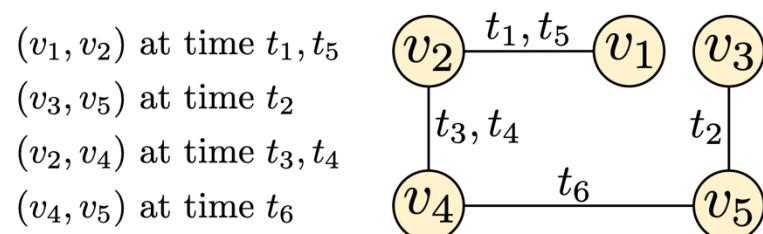
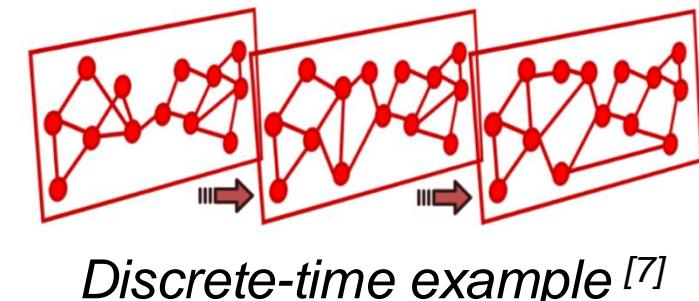
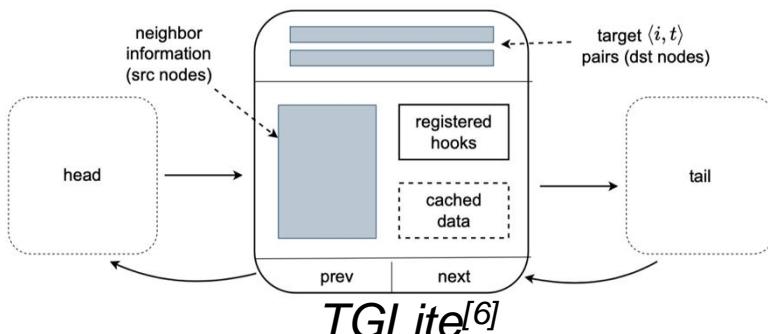
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## Today's Focus: CTDG Frameworks

- DTDGs: CTDGs have richer time information with explicit timestamps, which can be crucial for certain applications.



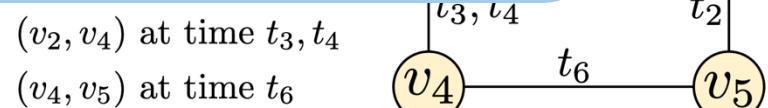
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## □ CTDG Frameworks

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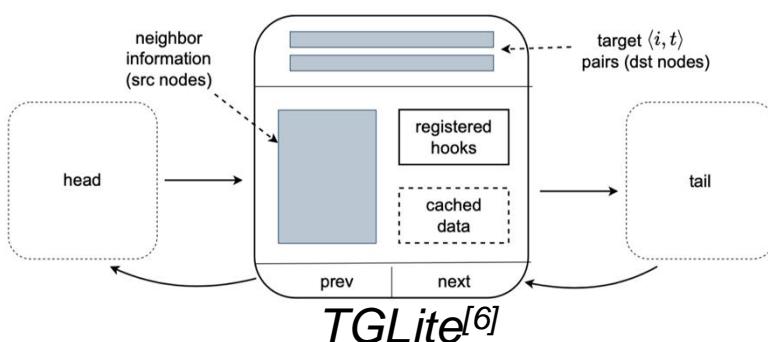
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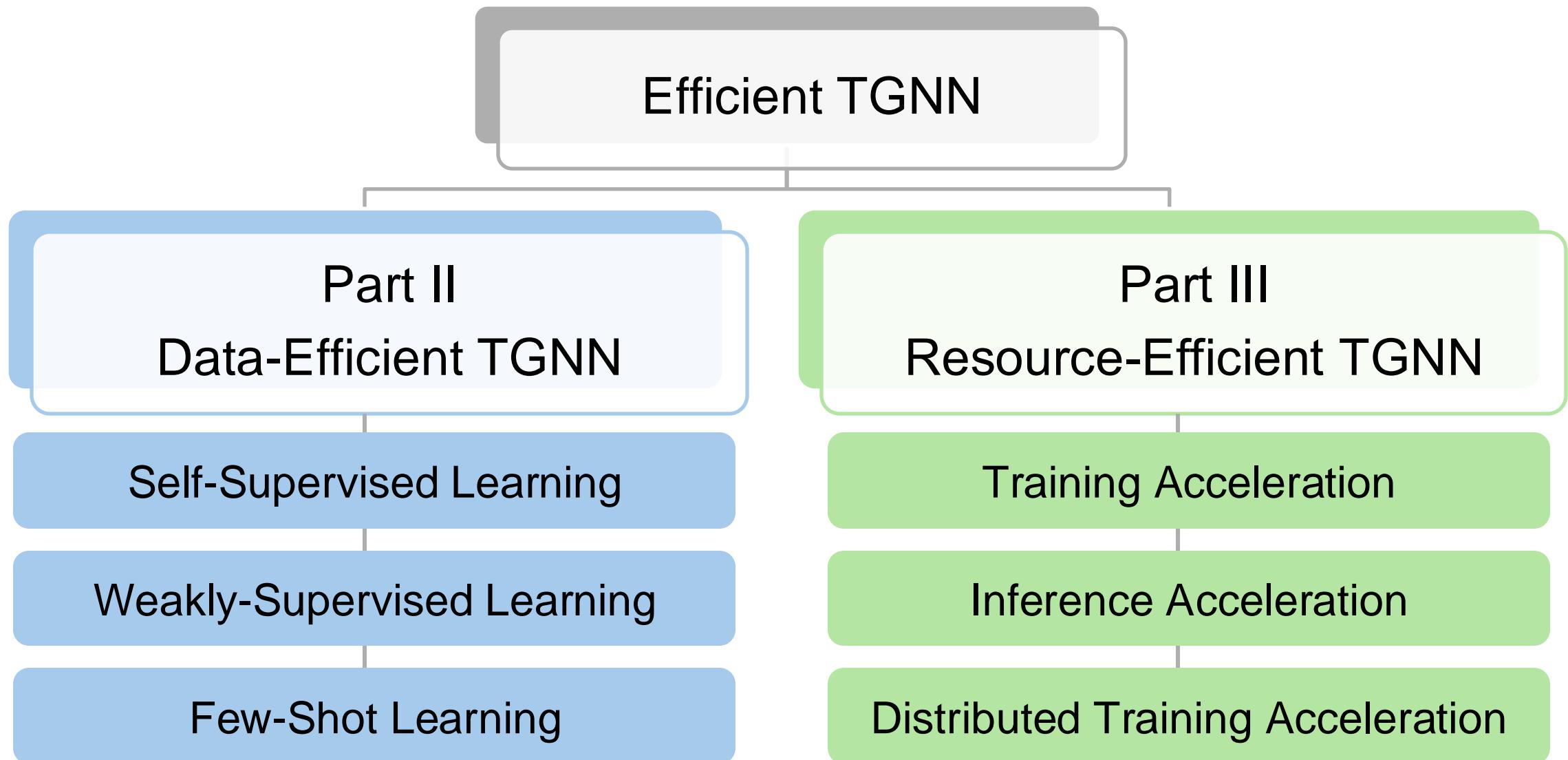
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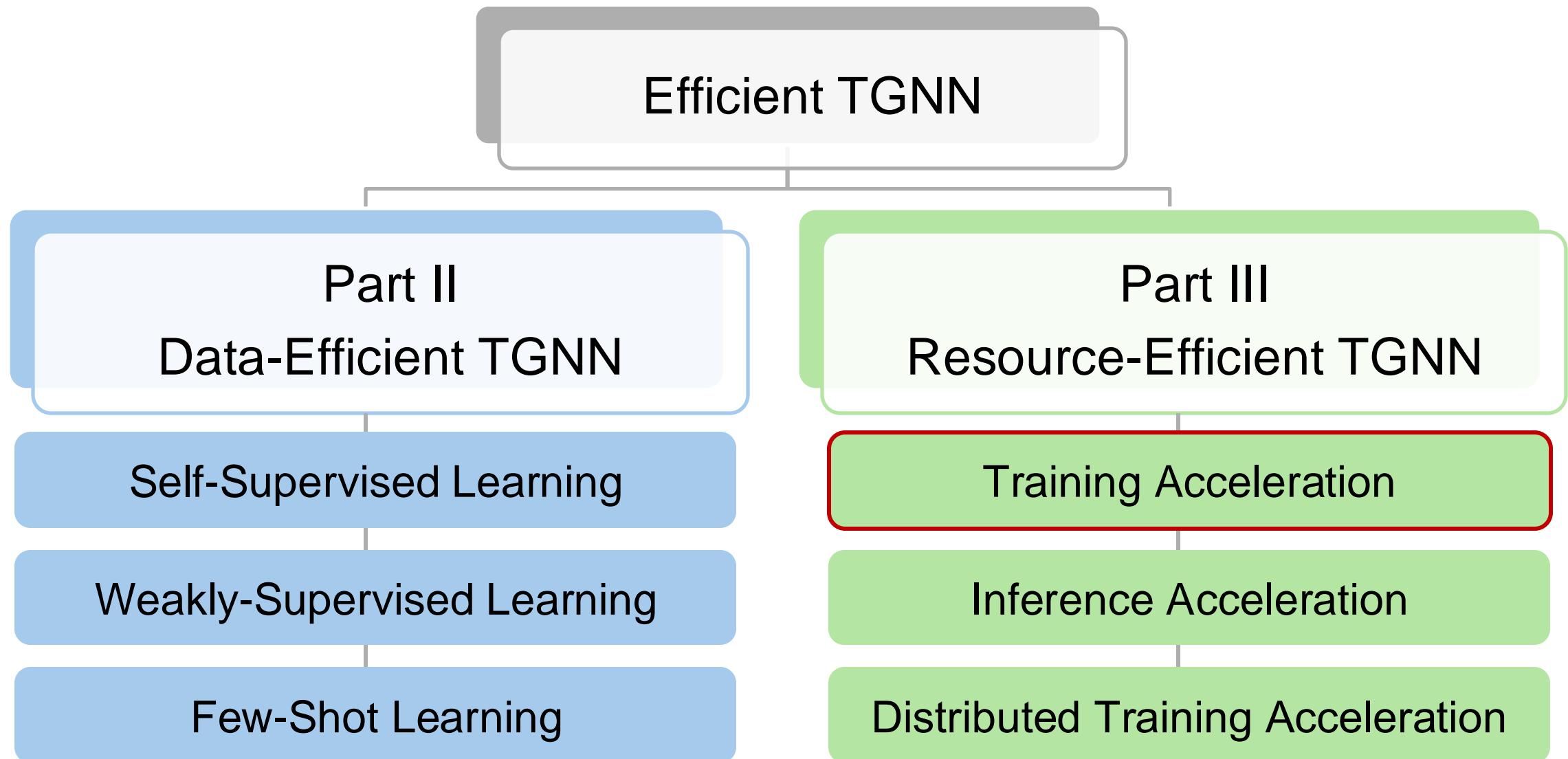
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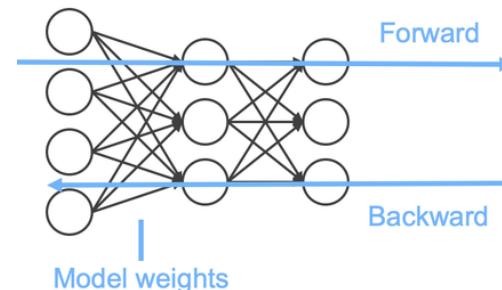
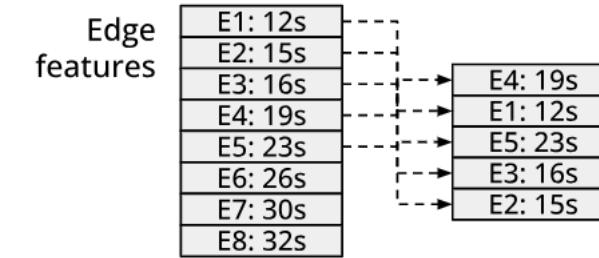
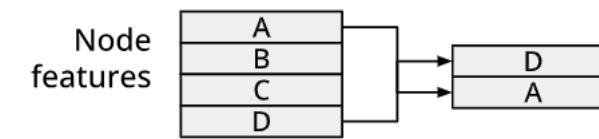
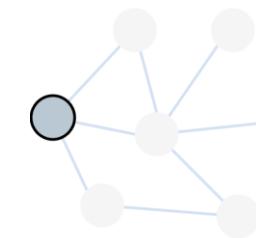


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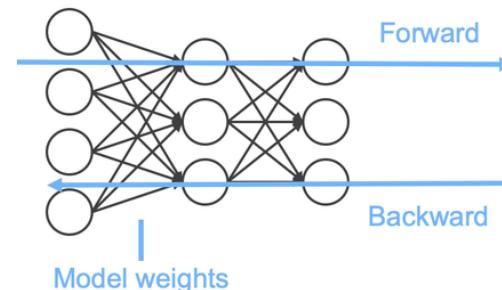
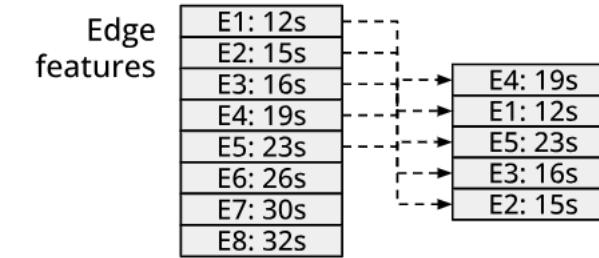
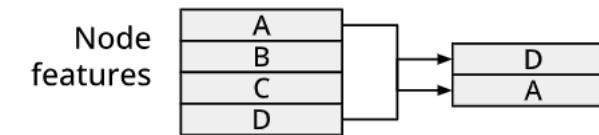
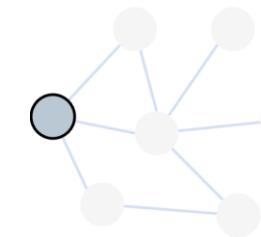
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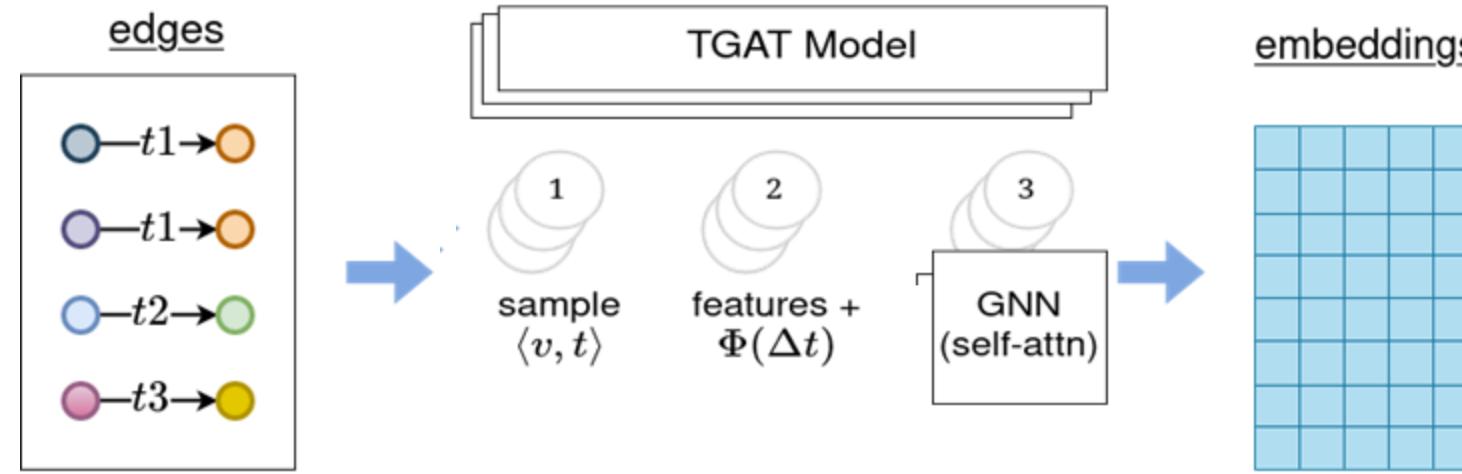
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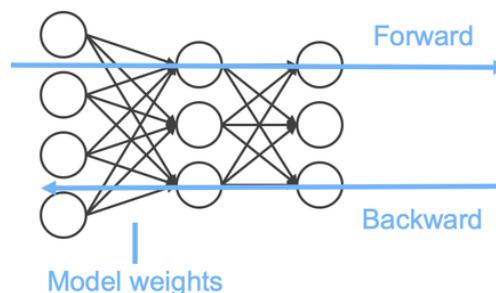
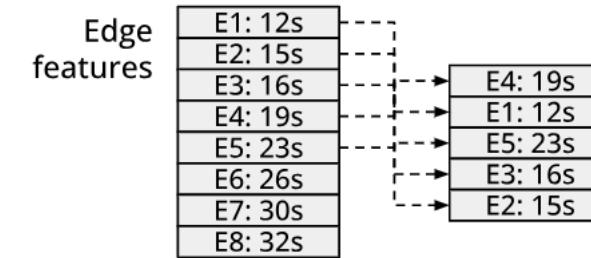
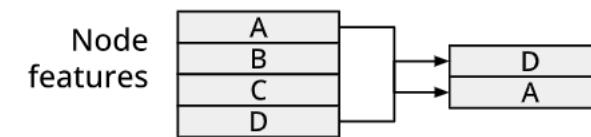
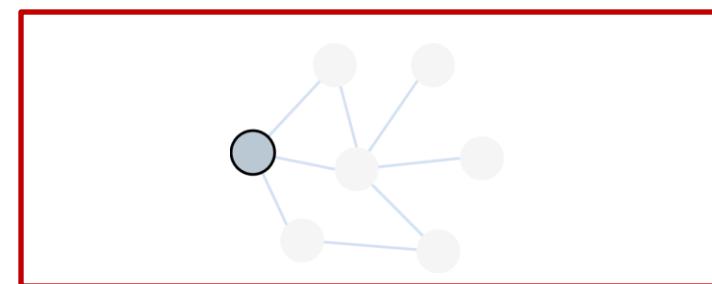
## TGAT<sup>[1]</sup> Example



- 1) For each node, sample **recent** temporal neighbors.
- 2) Encode neighbor edge **time deltas** into time features.  
Aggregate node + time features using **self-attention**.
- 3) Repeat for a total of L layers (L hops).

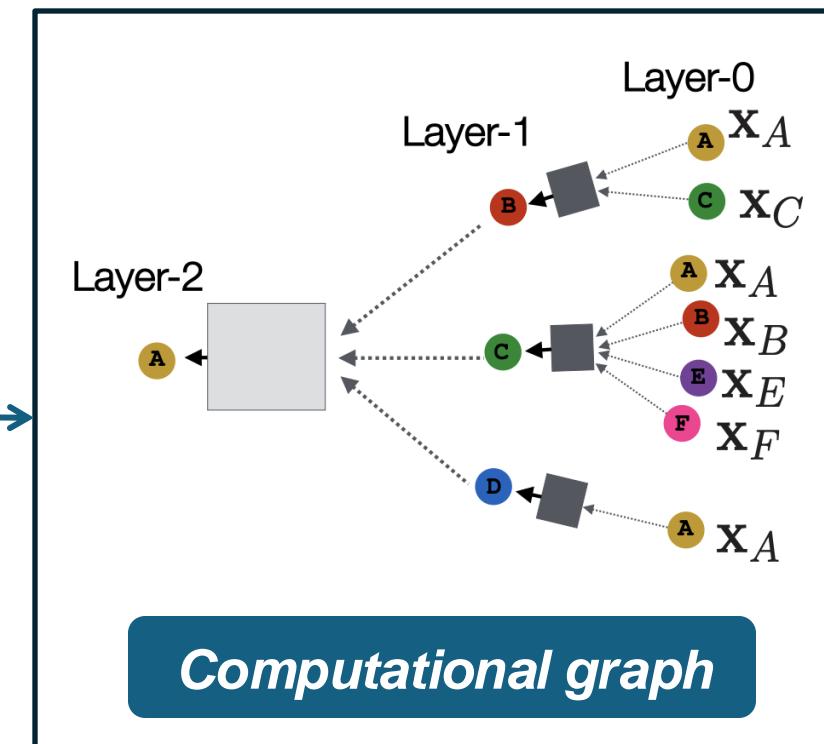
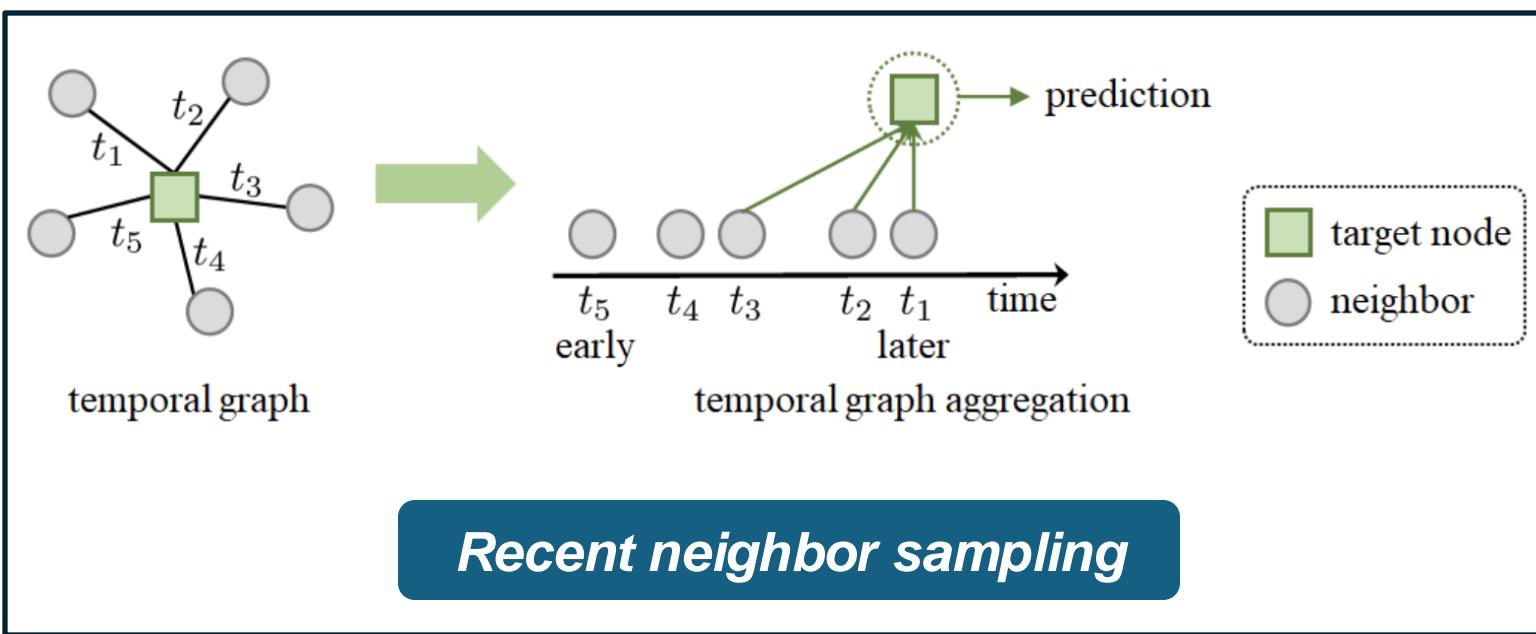
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# Background: Neighbor Sampling

- Input: Graph structure; Output: Computational graph
- Neighbor nodes connected by edges with **smaller** timestamps
  - No information leakage
- Most **recent** neighbor sampling
  - Superior performance & widely adopted



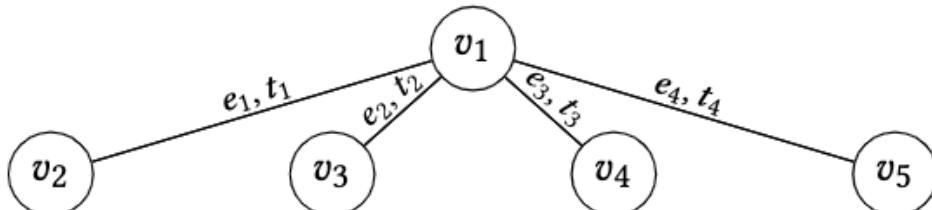
# Parallel Temporal Sampler: TGL<sup>[1]</sup>

## □ Motivation

- **Timestamps** of neighbors need to be considered.
- Sampling neighbors on temporal graphs is **complex**.

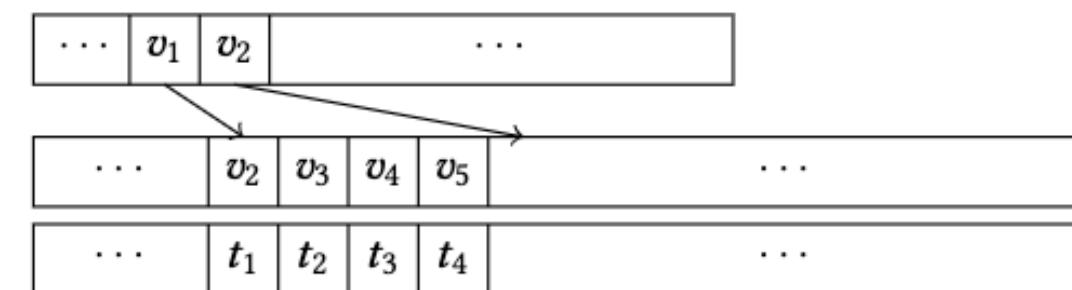
## □ Method

- Temporal-CSR(T-CSR) data structure
- Parallel sampling



Graph structure

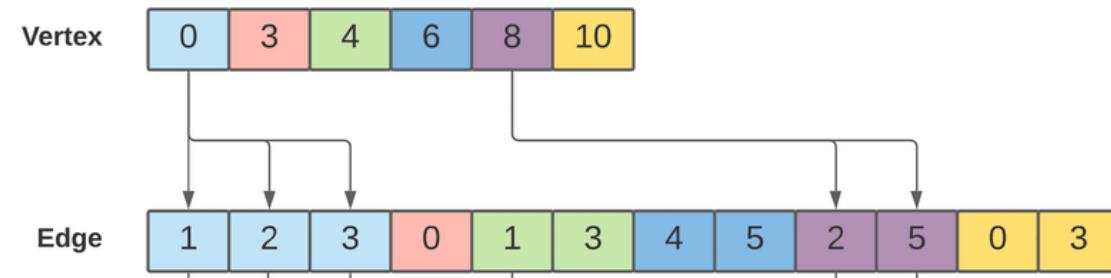
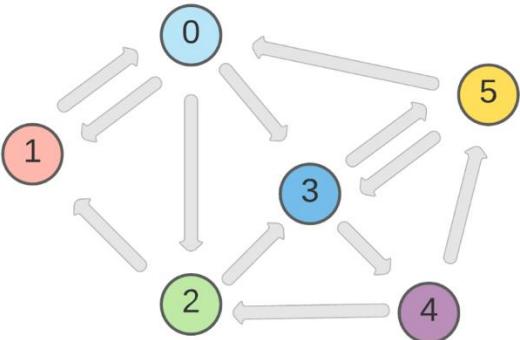
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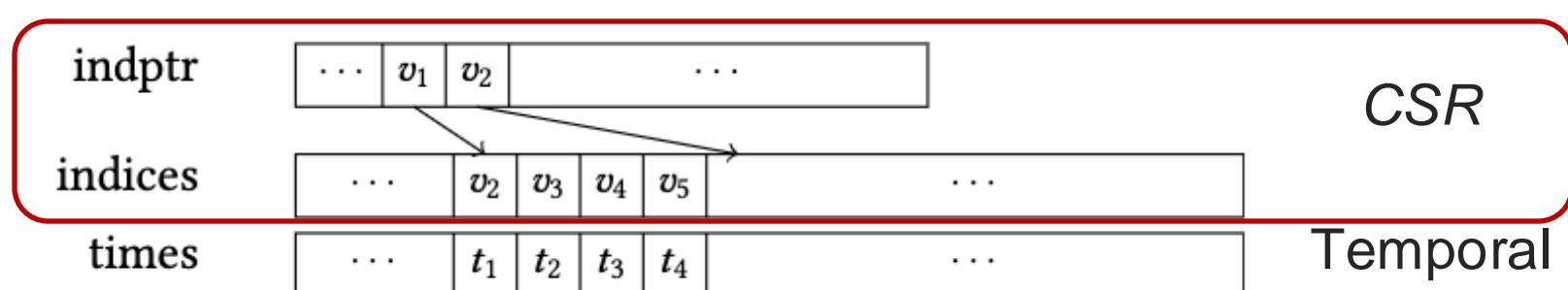
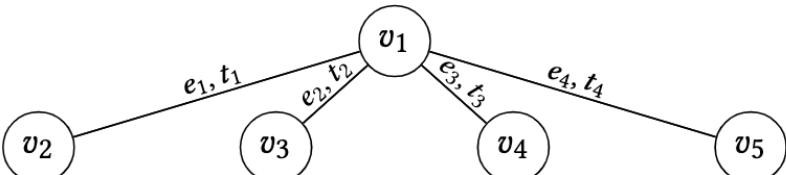
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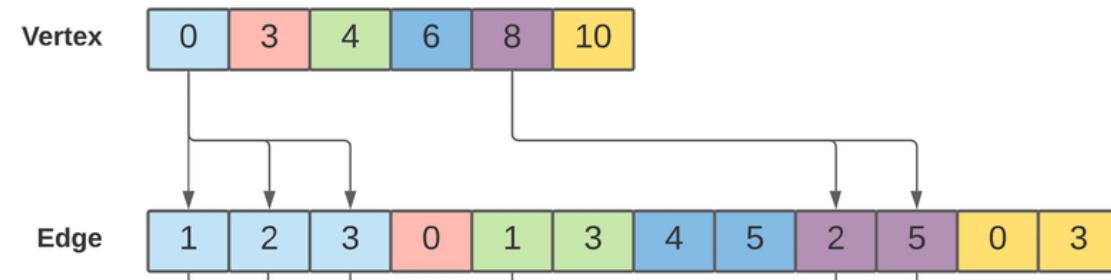
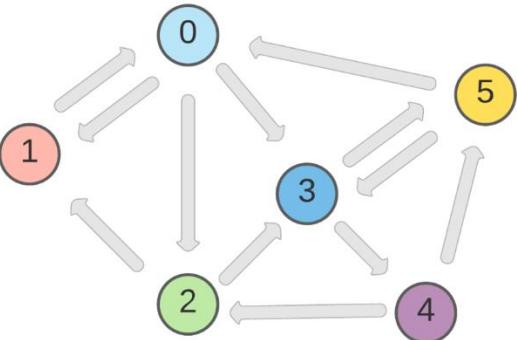


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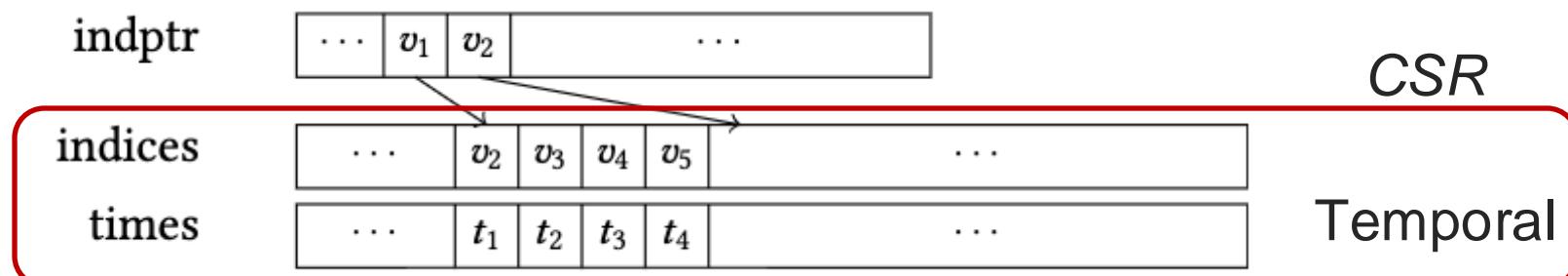
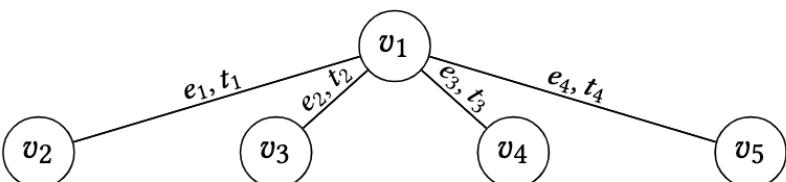


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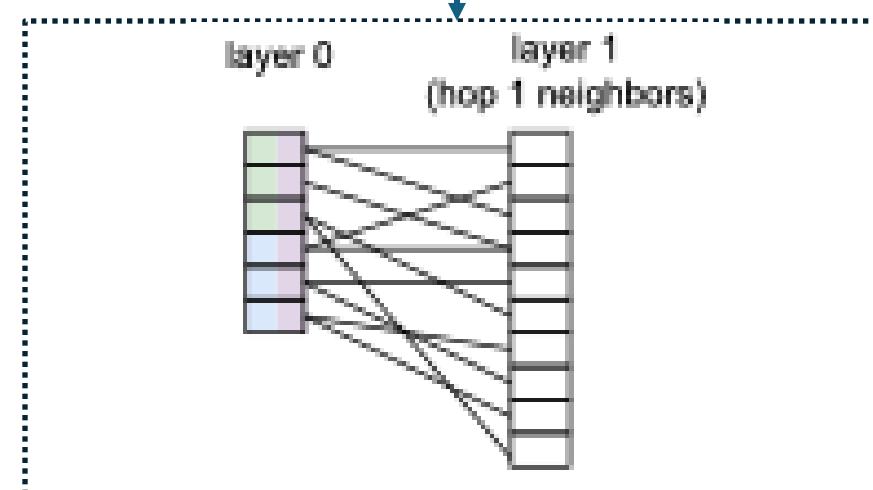
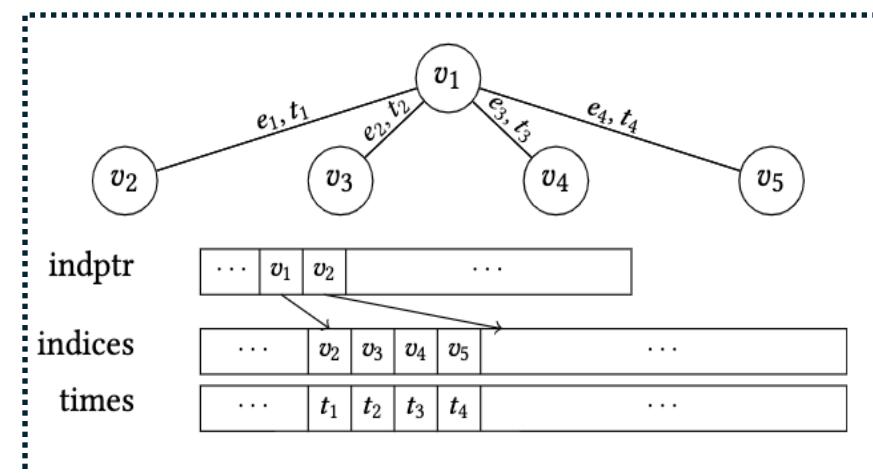
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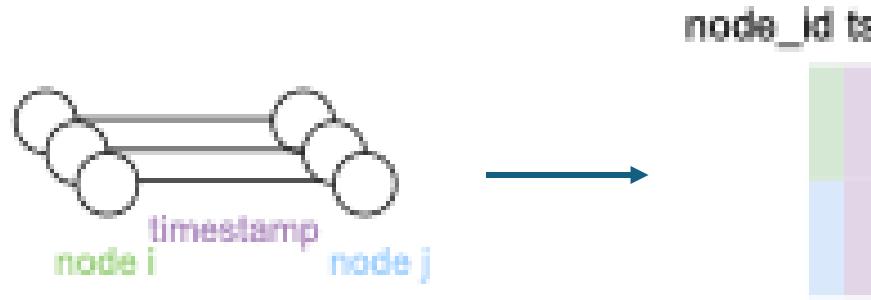
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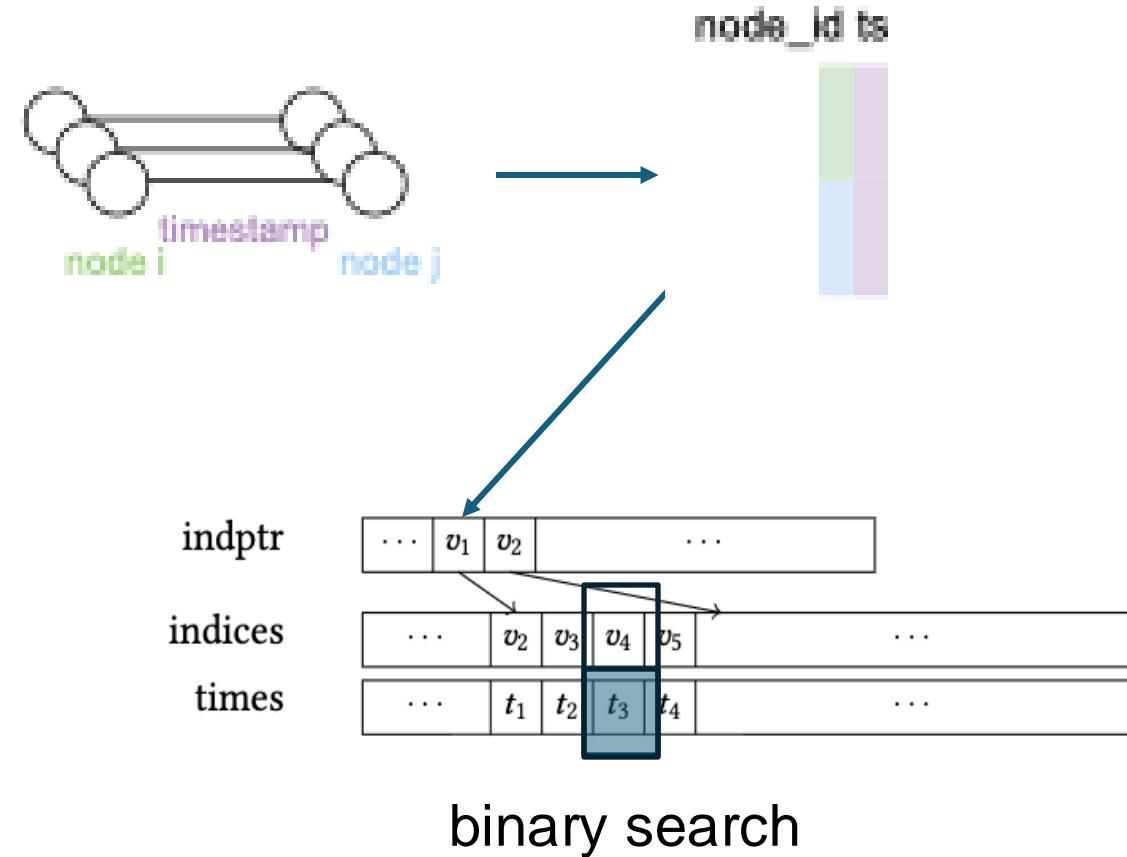
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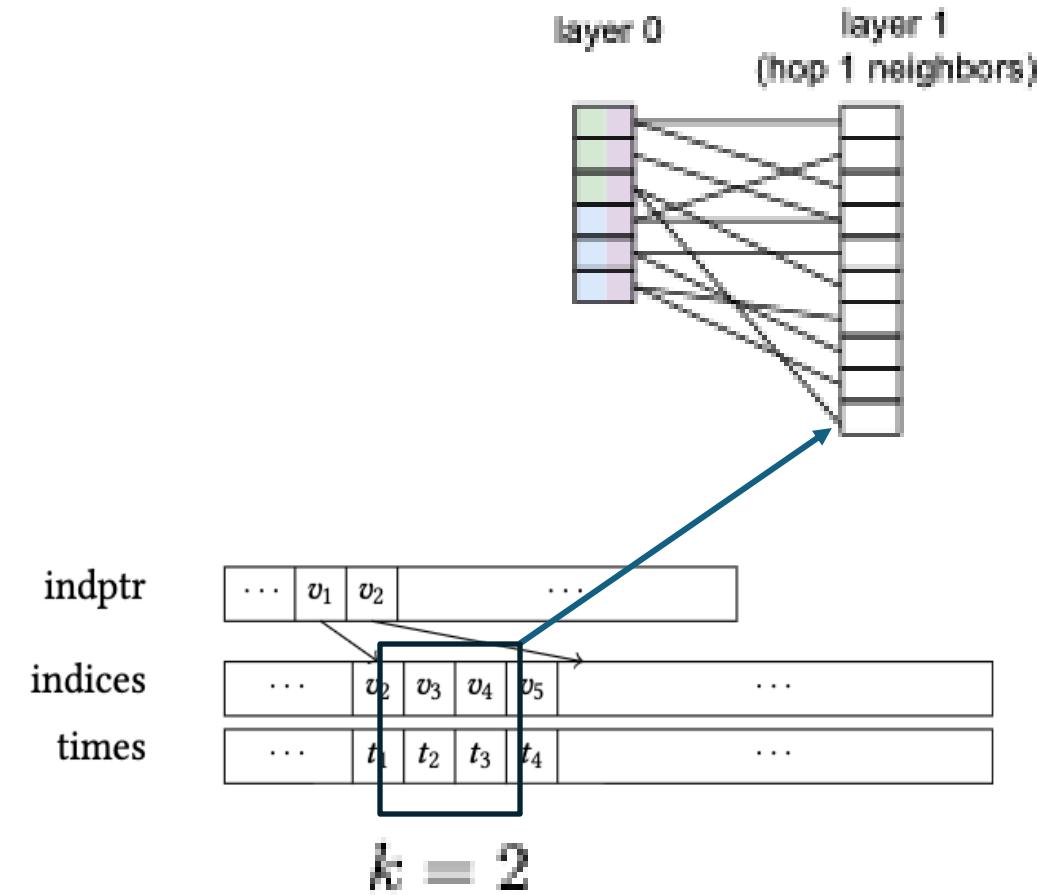
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    binary search for each node
    foreach  $n \in n$  in parallel do
        | sample  $k_l$  neighbors within the snapshot  $S_s$ ;
    end
    generate DGL MFGs;
end
end

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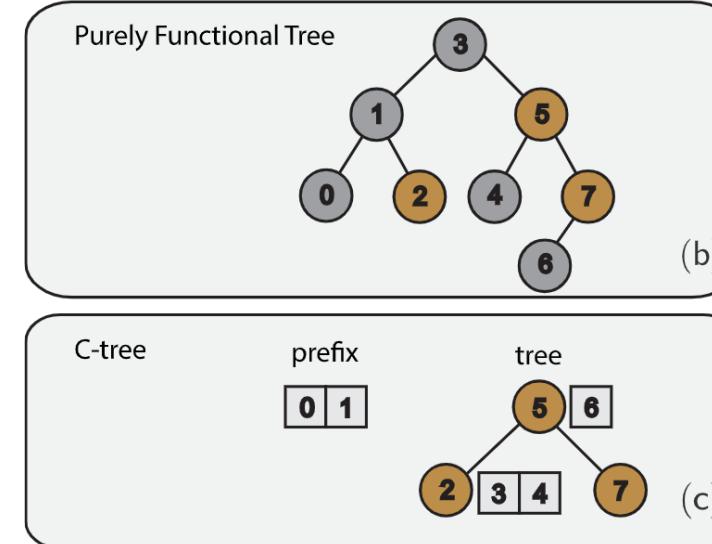
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  - *Block-based adjacent list*: careful selection to balance efficiency and memory use
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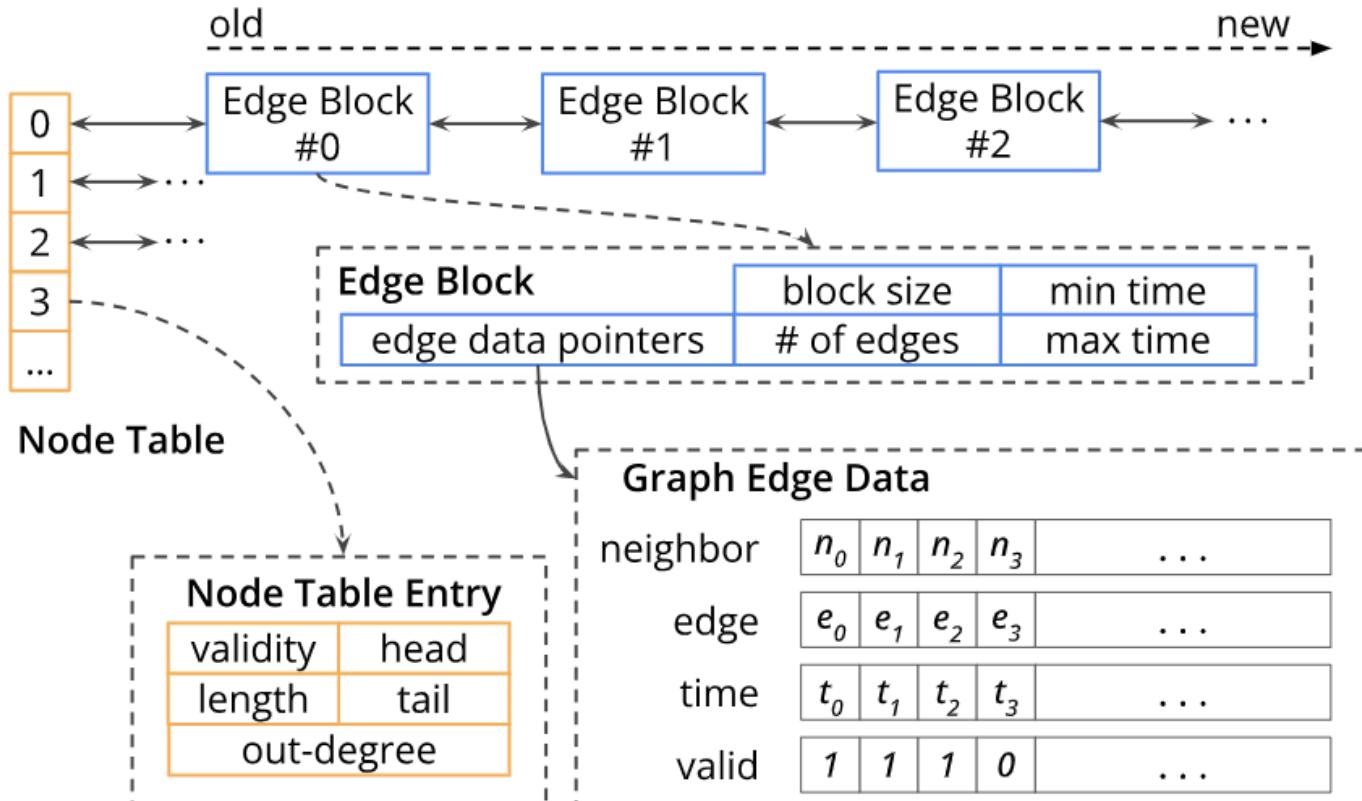
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# GNNFlow Graph Sampling: In-memory Graph Storage

- Block-based neighborhood storage
  - A *node table*: contiguous array of nodes
  - A list of *edge blocks*: chronologically ordered doubly-linked list



*Insertion:* append new edge to tail/add into a new block

*Deletion:* mark the corresponding validity fields

*Out-of-memory:* offload old data to a file

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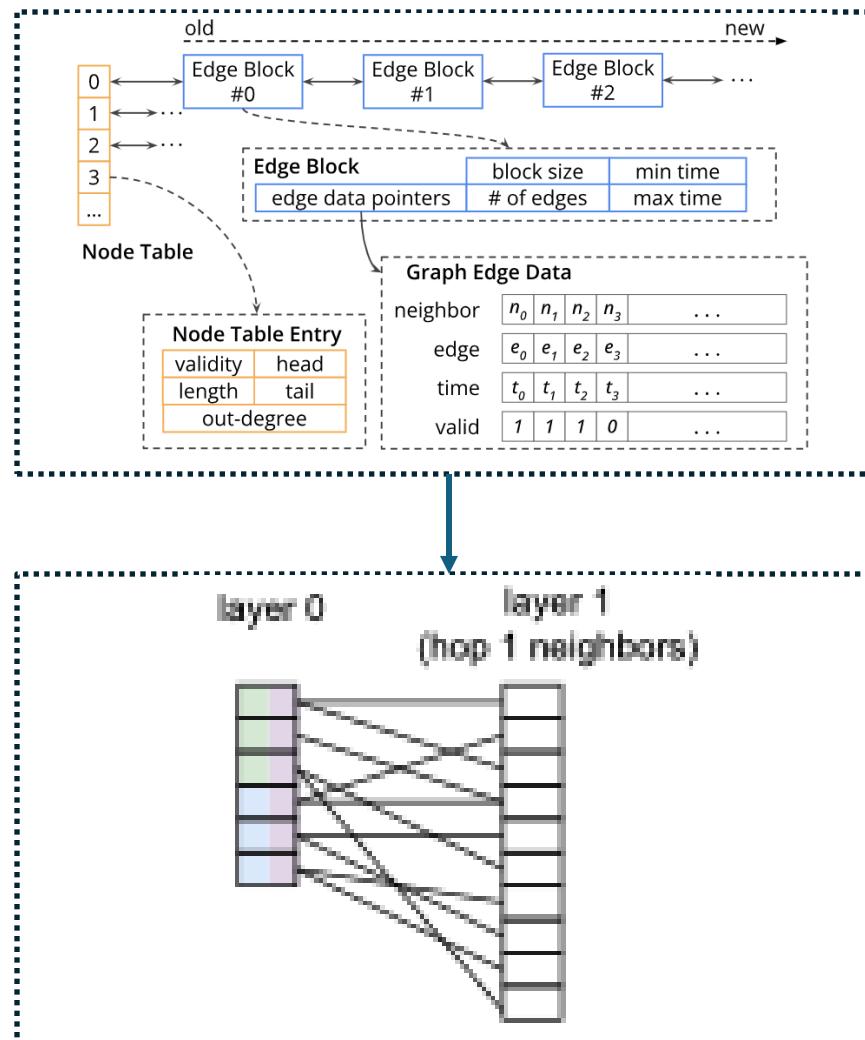
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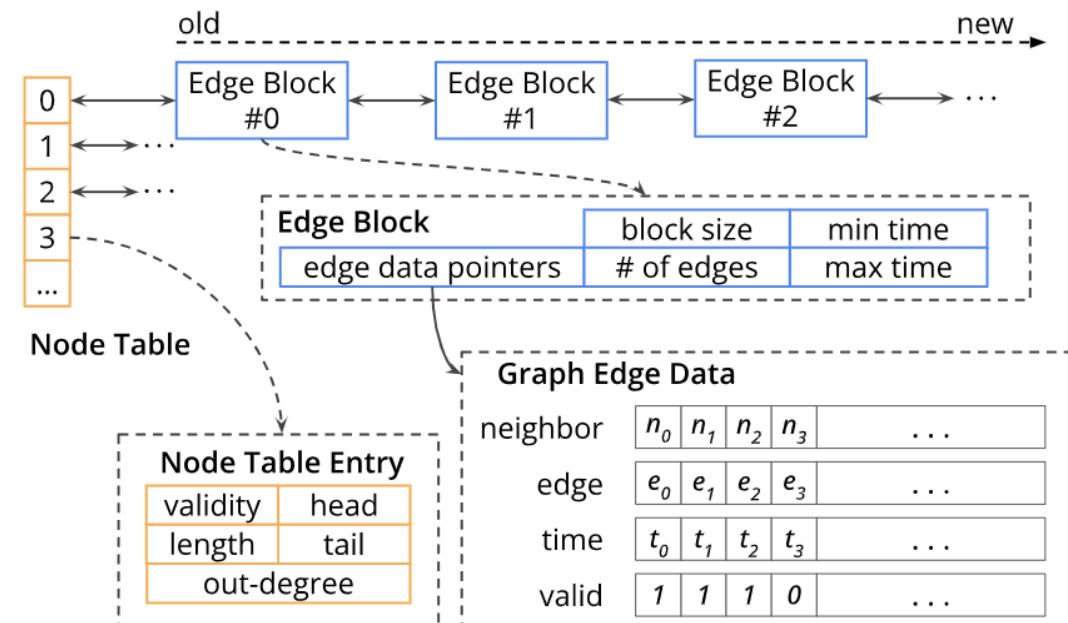
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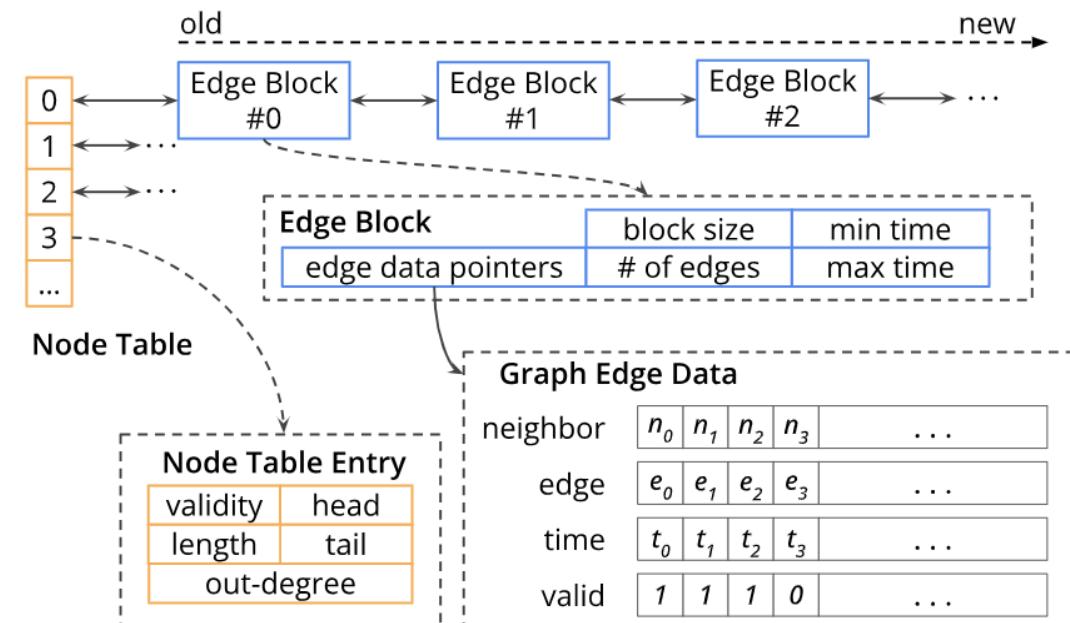
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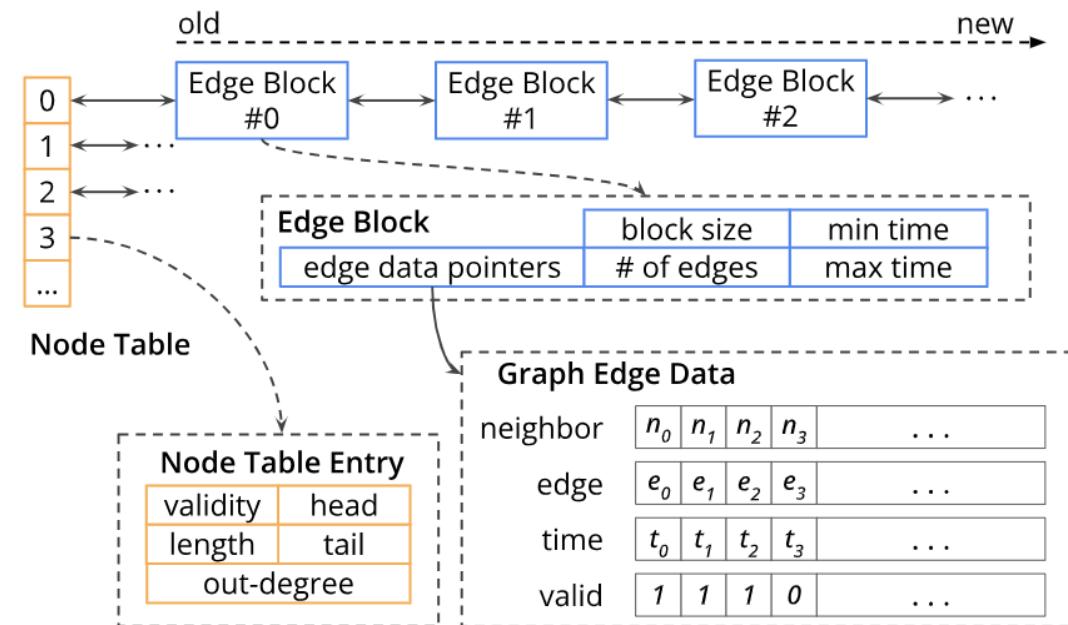
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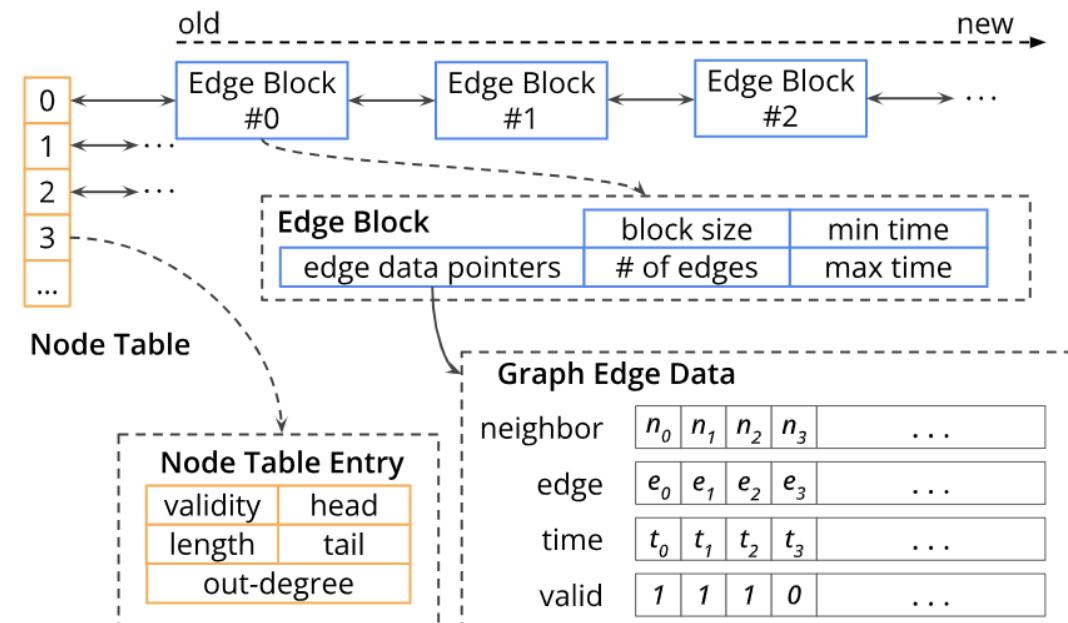
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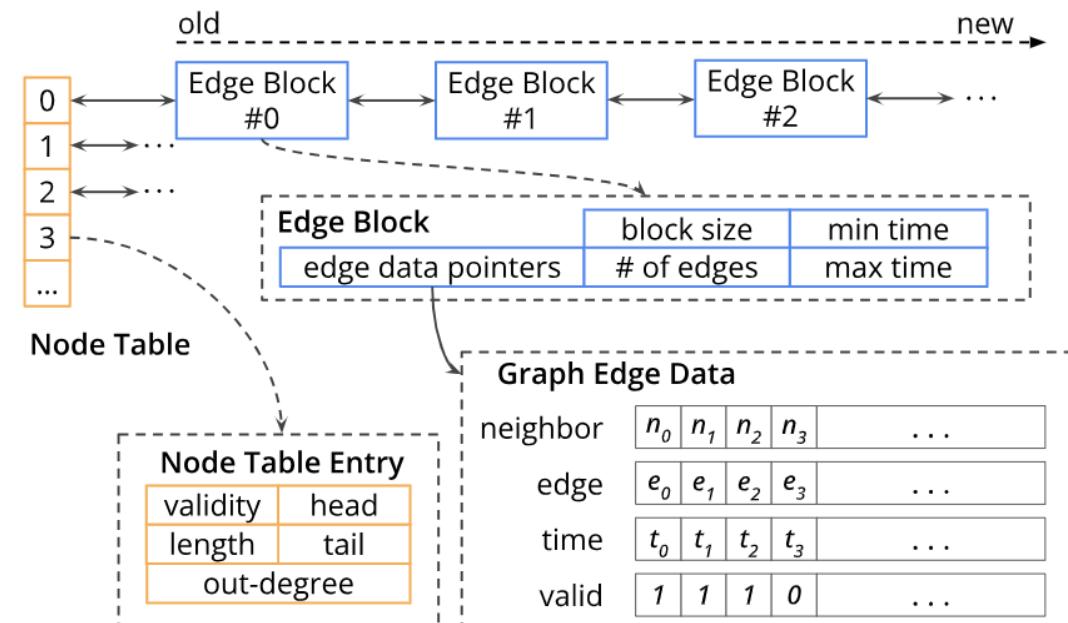
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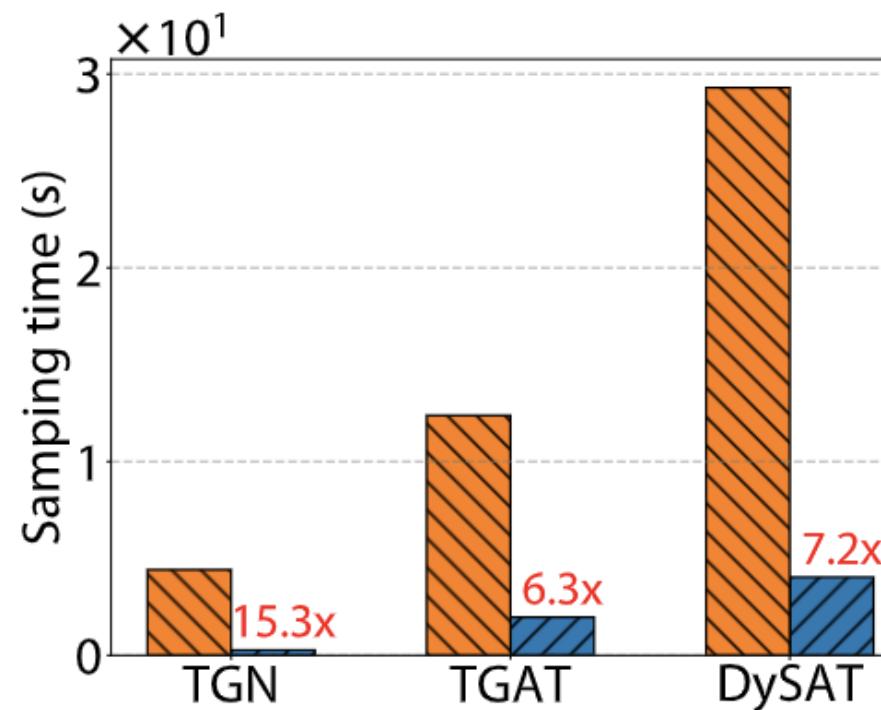
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# GNNFlow GPU-based Graph Sampling: Speedup

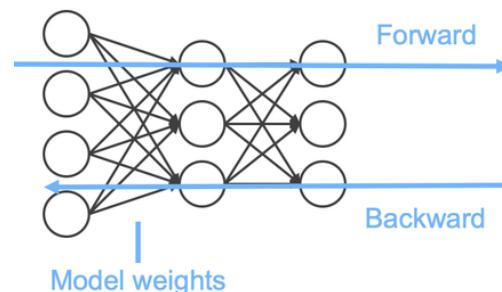
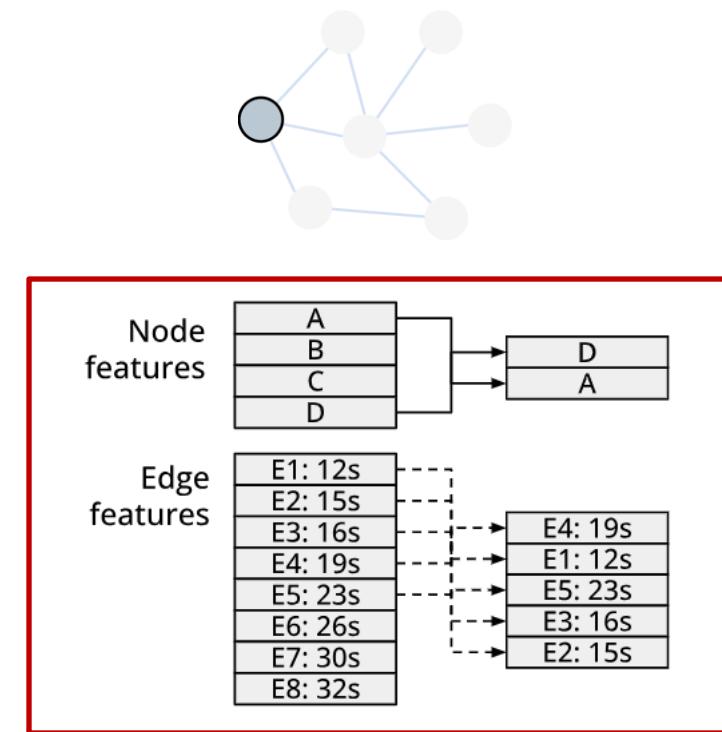
 GNNFlow       TGL



*Sampling time: 7.2x to 15.3x speedup*

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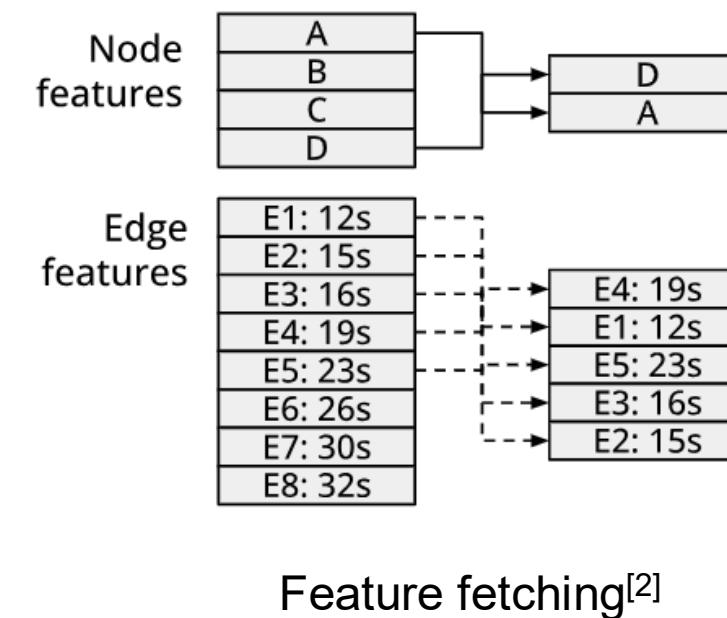
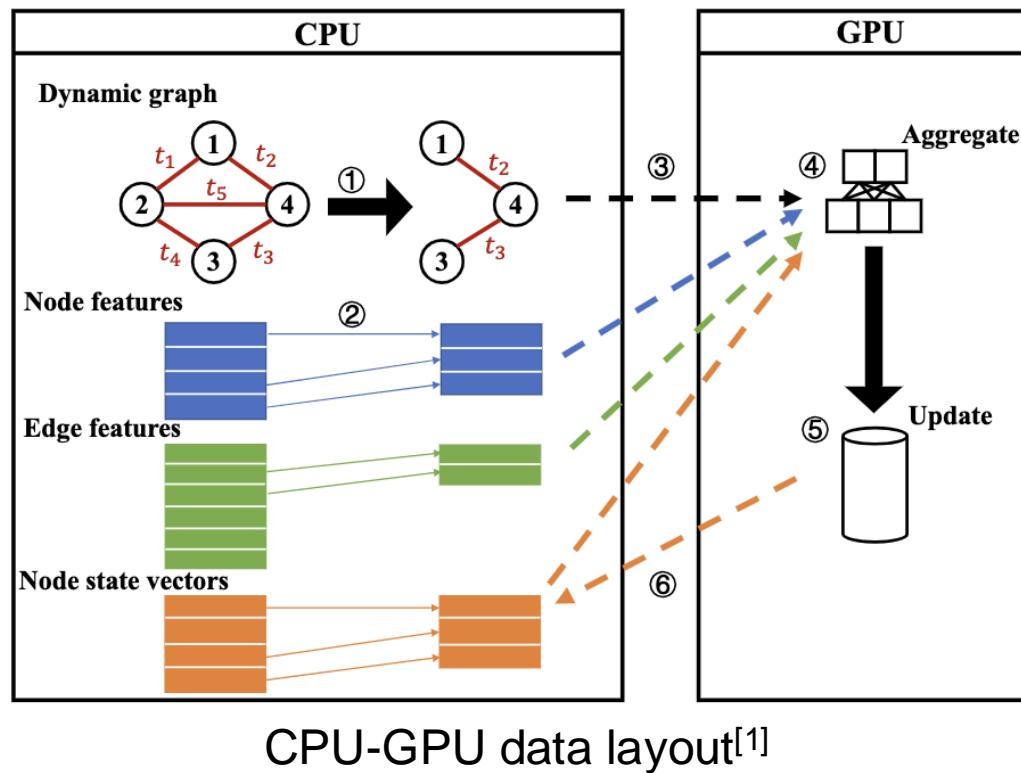
# Background: Feature Fetching & Feature Update

- Feature fetching:

  - Fetch feature data corresponding to sampled graph to GPU memory.

- Feature Update:

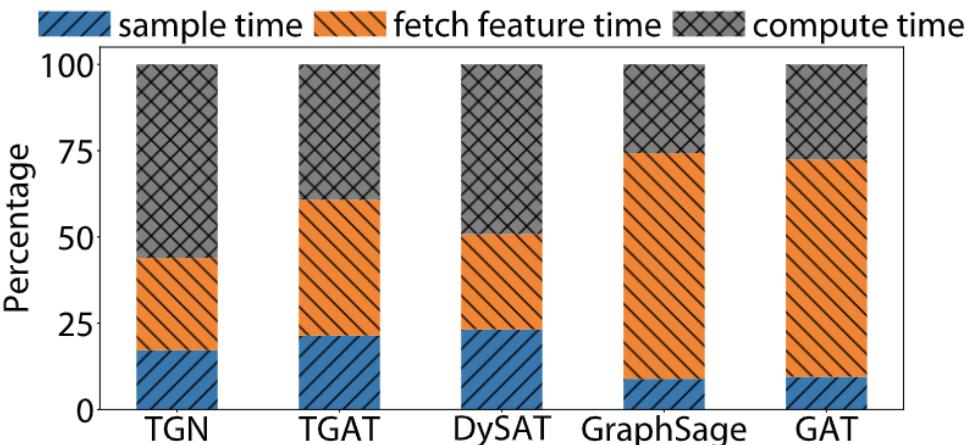
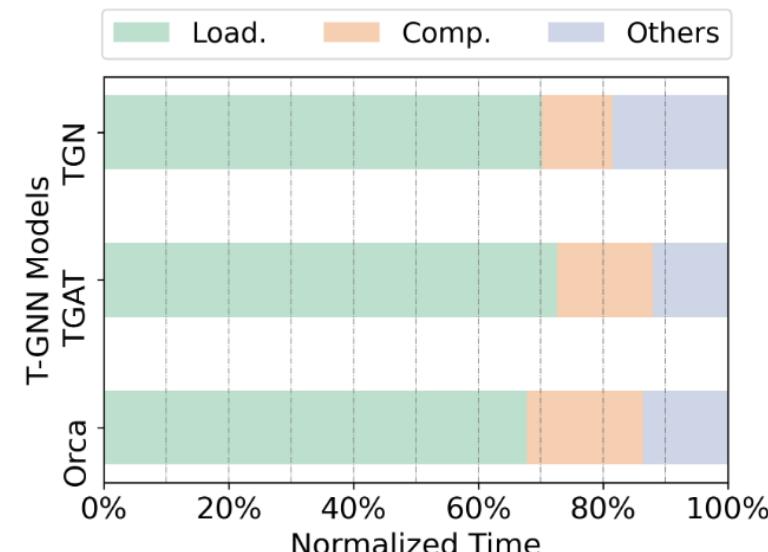
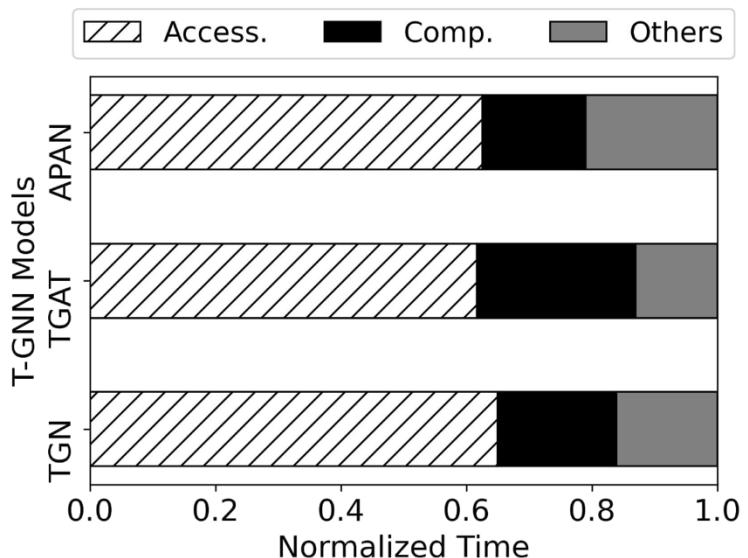
  - Write back updated node features (node state vectors).



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# Motivation: Data Access Bottleneck

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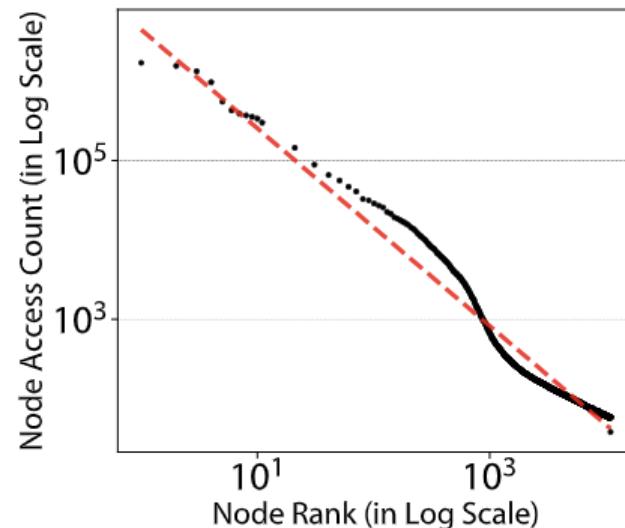
# GPU Feature Cache: GNNFlow

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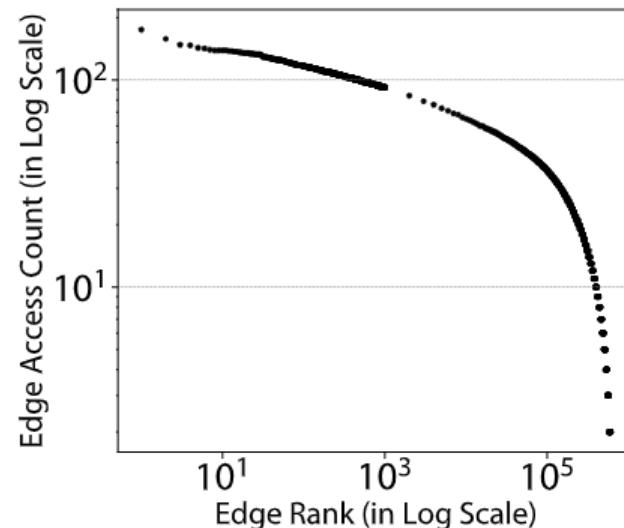
- Opportunity in *data reuse*: duplication in the nodes and edges sampled between adjacent continuous leaning rounds
- Data access pattern:
  - power-law node access; exponential edge access

## □ Method:

- Cache reuse and restoration
  - Inter-round reuse
  - New-epoch reuse
- Vectorized cache
  - LRU, LFU, FIFO
  - Inherently inefficient
- Parallel access and update

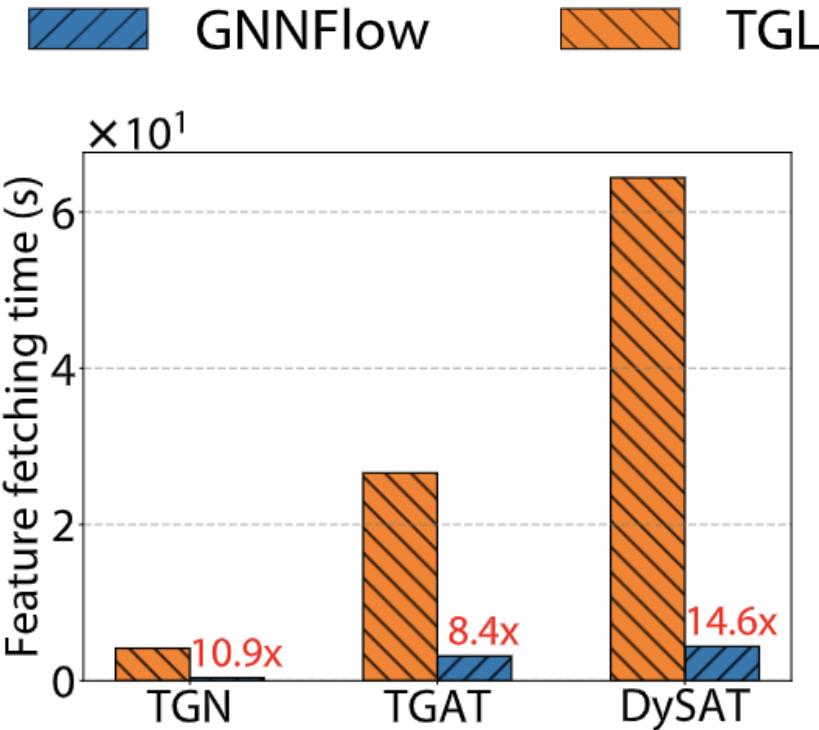


Power-law

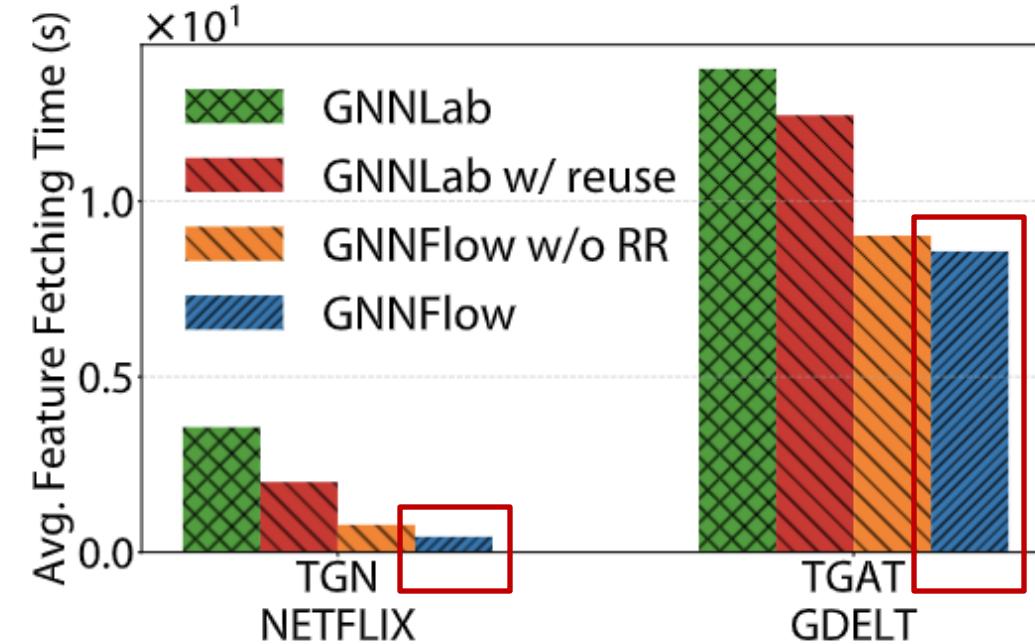


Exponential

# GNNFlow GPU Feature Cache: Evaluation



Feature fetching: 10.9x to 14.6x speedup



Cache effectiveness on different models

# Reducing Data Loading Volume: ETC<sup>[1]</sup>

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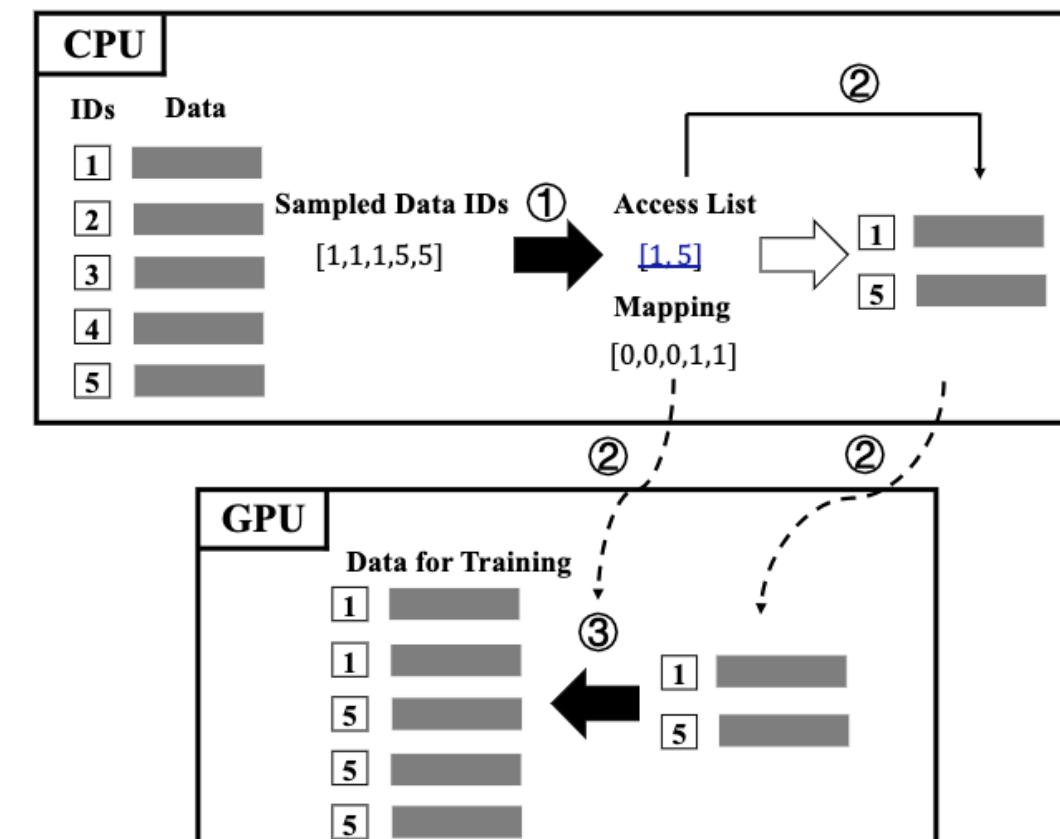
- Redundant data access can take up over 80% of the total data access volume

## □ Method: three-step data access policy *Supra*

- Identify redundant access
- Access unique data
- Reconstruct originally required data

## □ Inter-batch pipeline:

- Ensure lower overhead
- Concurrent model computation and data access
- Other works adopting pipeline:
  - TGL<sup>[2]</sup>, DistTGL<sup>[3]</sup>

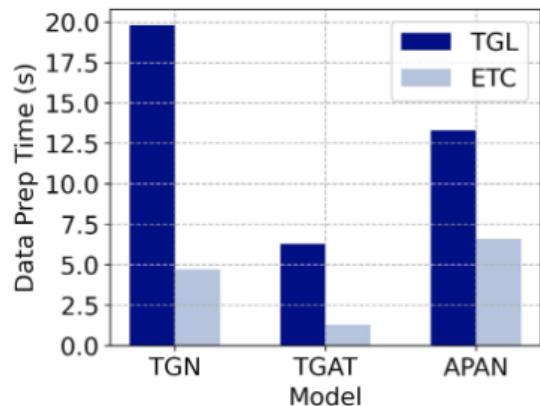


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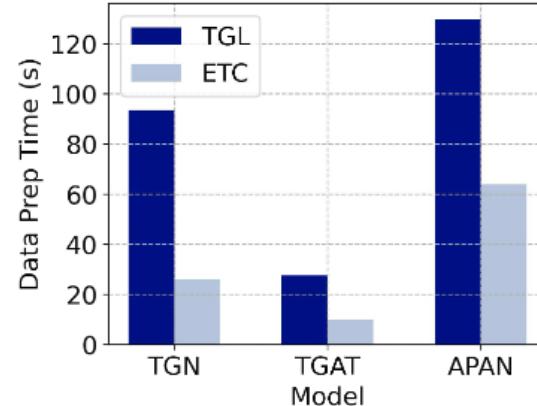
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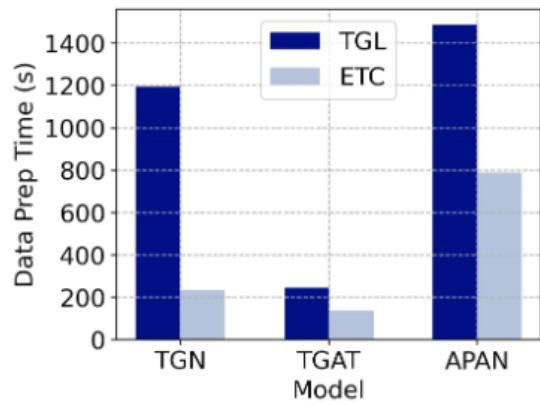
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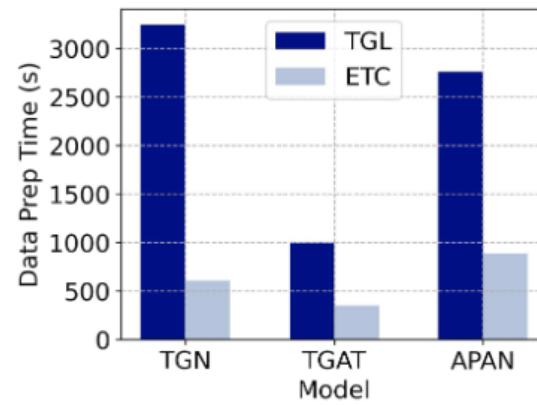
(a) LastFM



(b) Wiki-Talk



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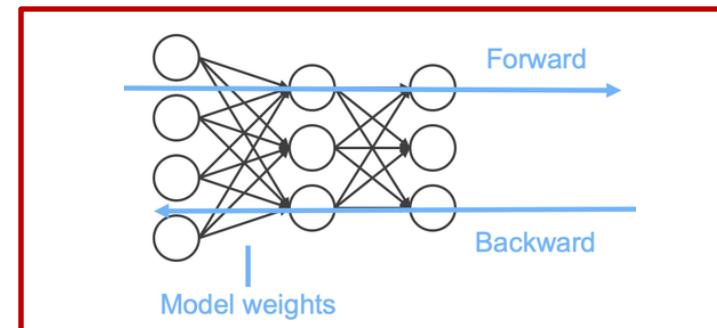
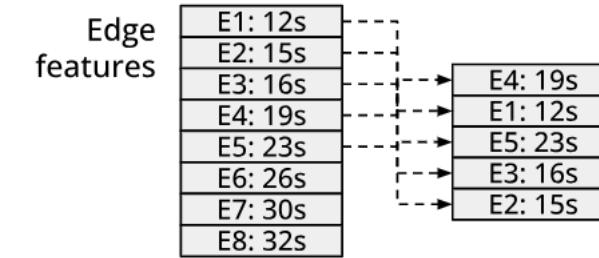
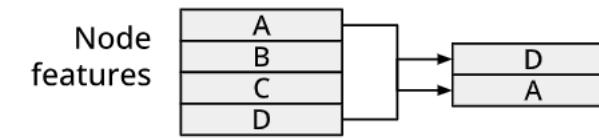
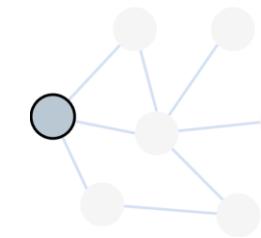
*Per-epoch data preparation time (s)*

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ETC	2.9	15.9	233.3	427.5

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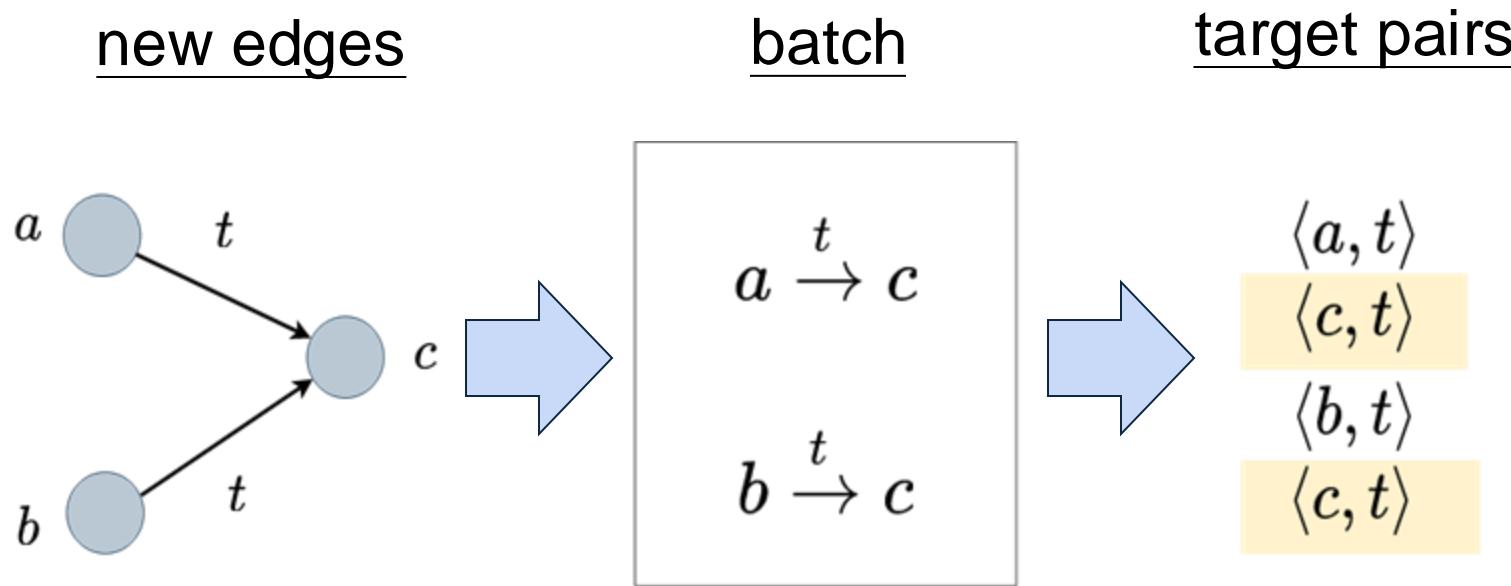


# Removing Computation Redundancy: TGLite<sup>[1]</sup>

## □ Observation:

- Duplication from batched edges
- Nodes share common neighbors, leading to duplicate target pairs in batch processing

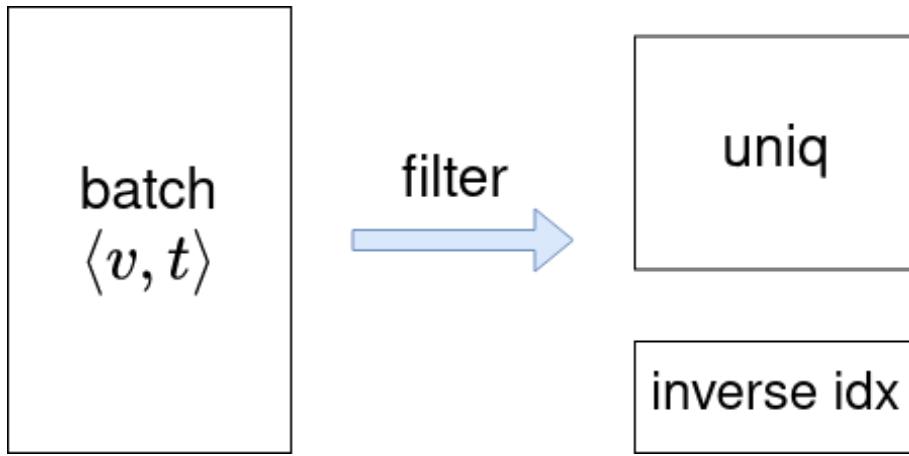
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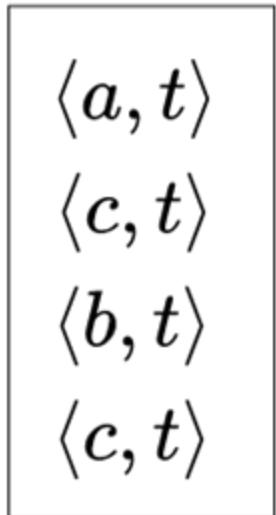
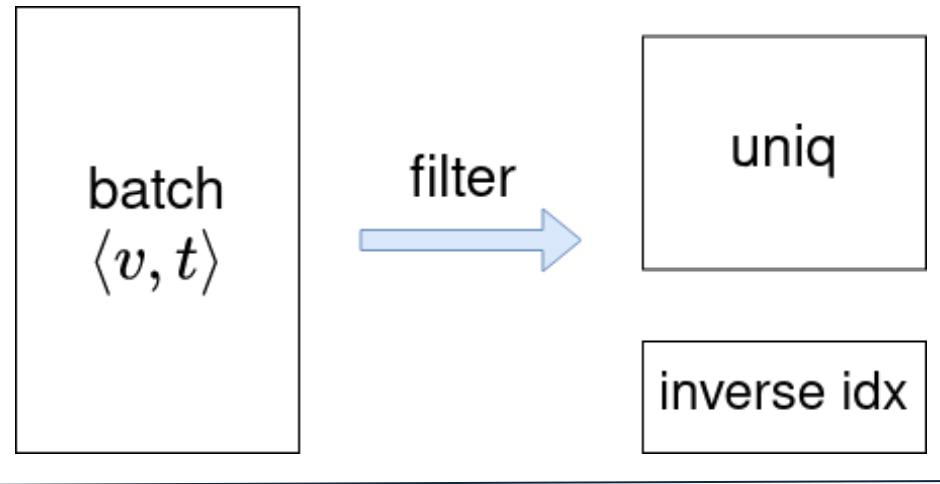
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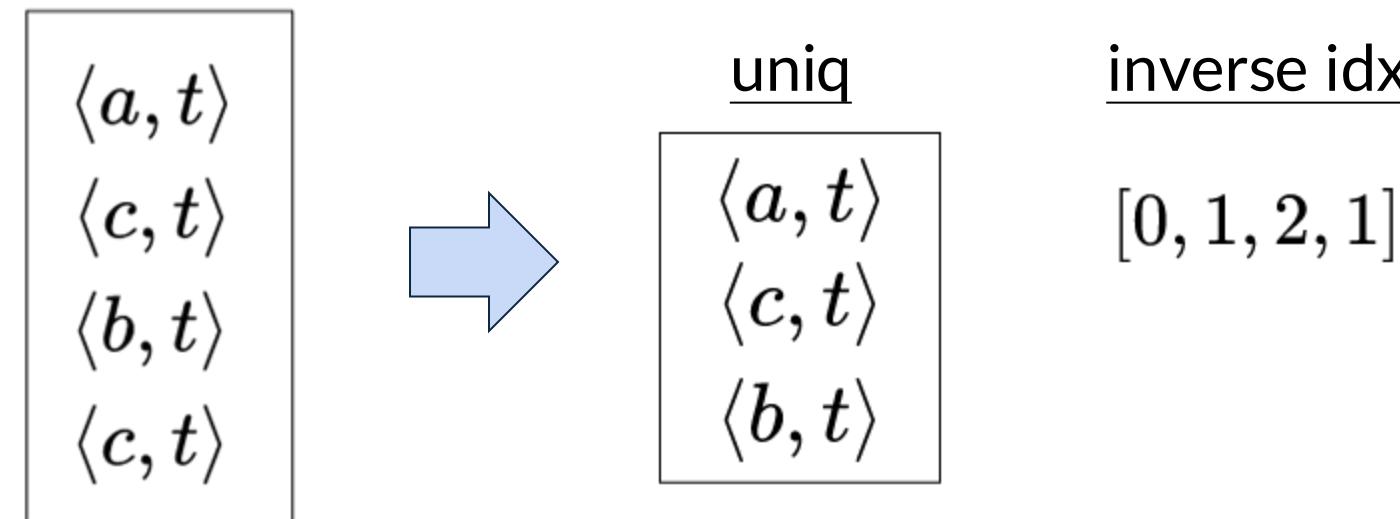
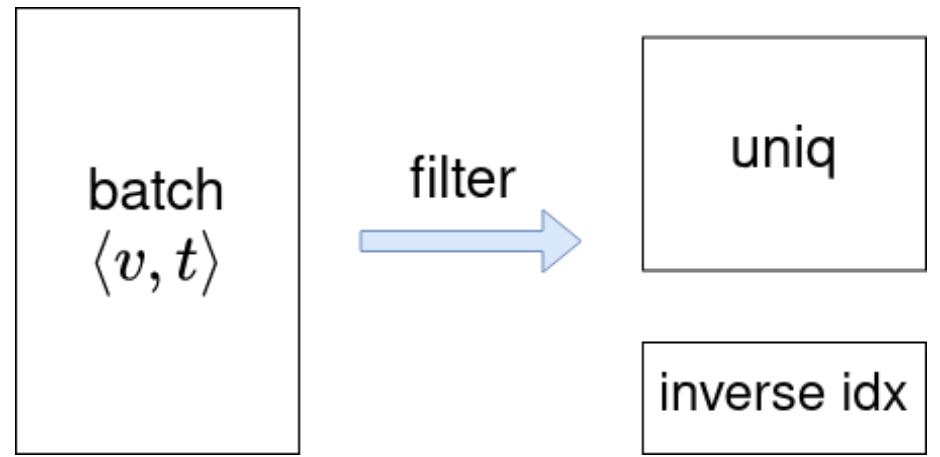
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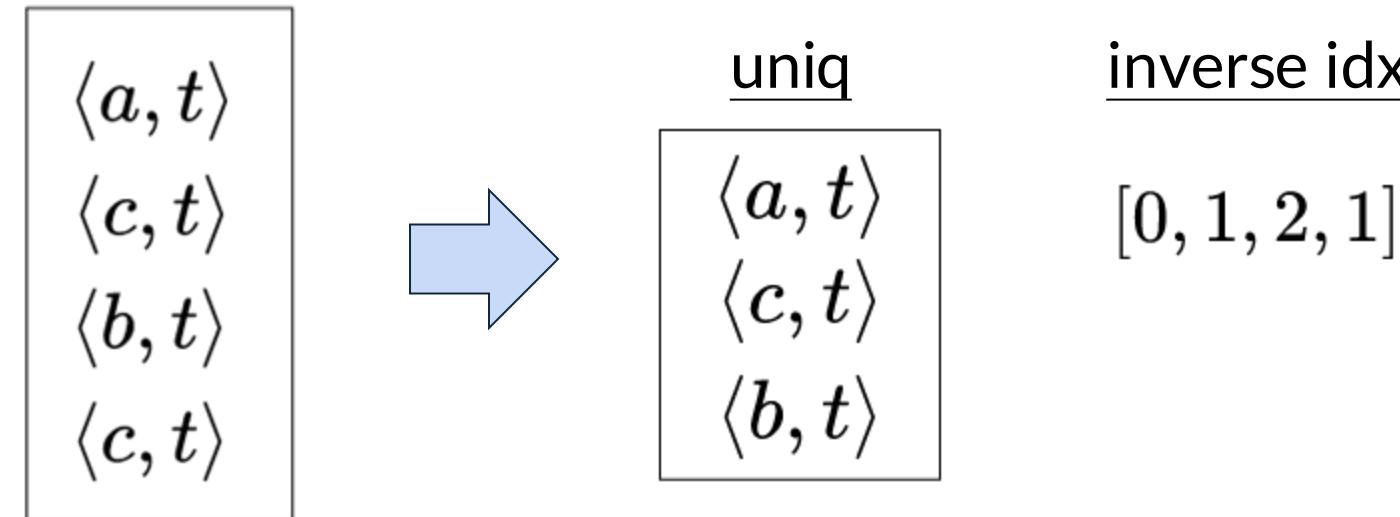
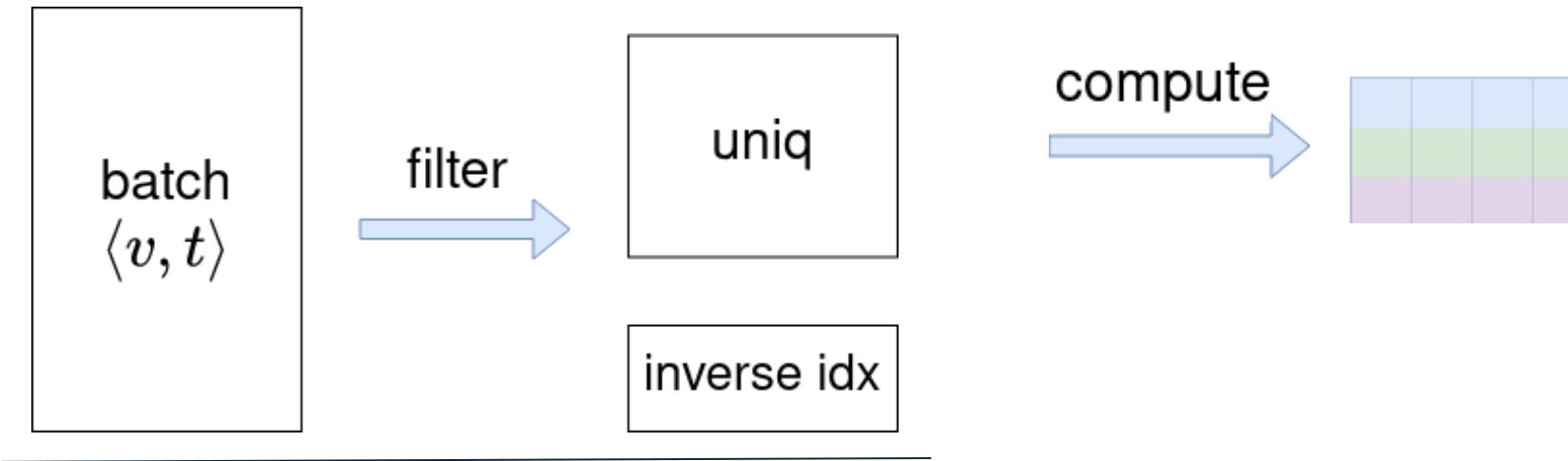
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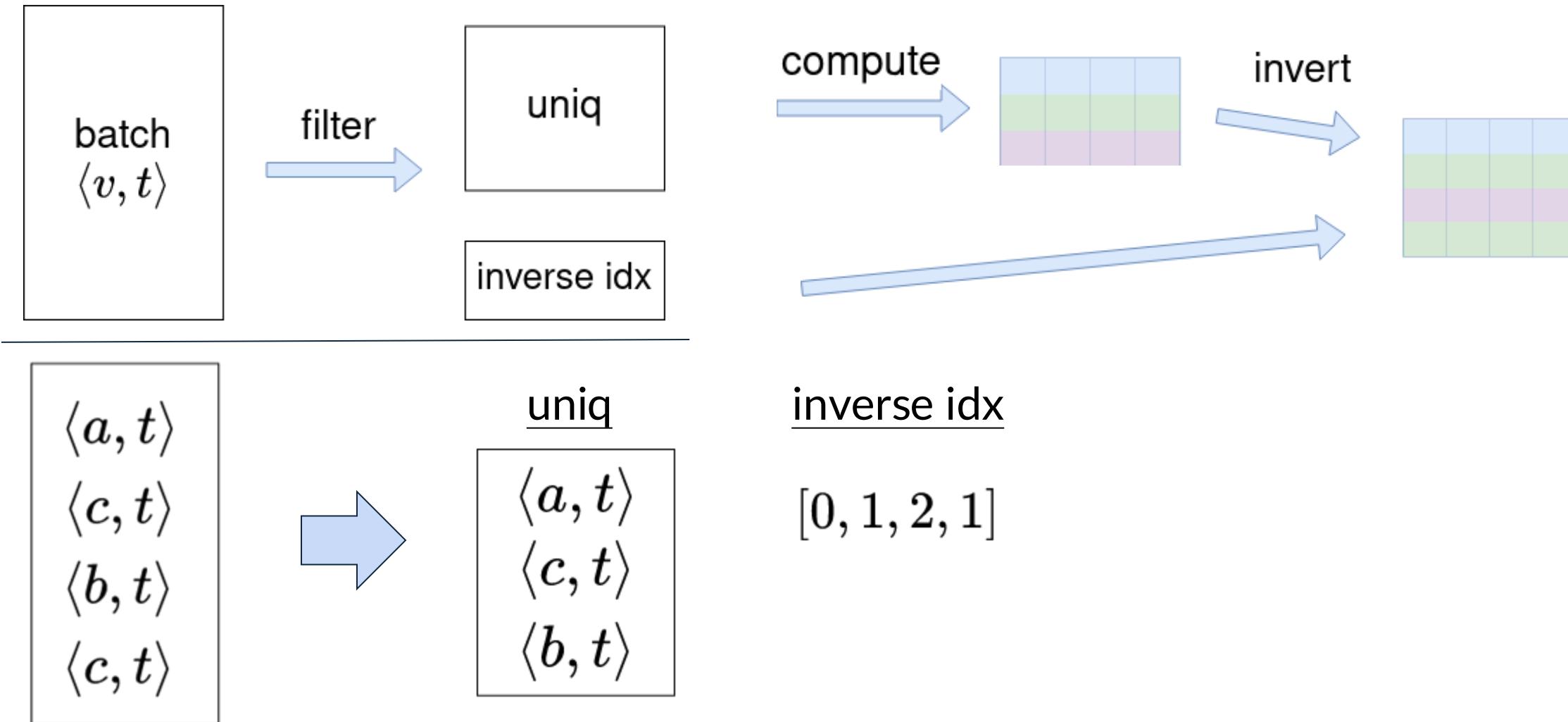
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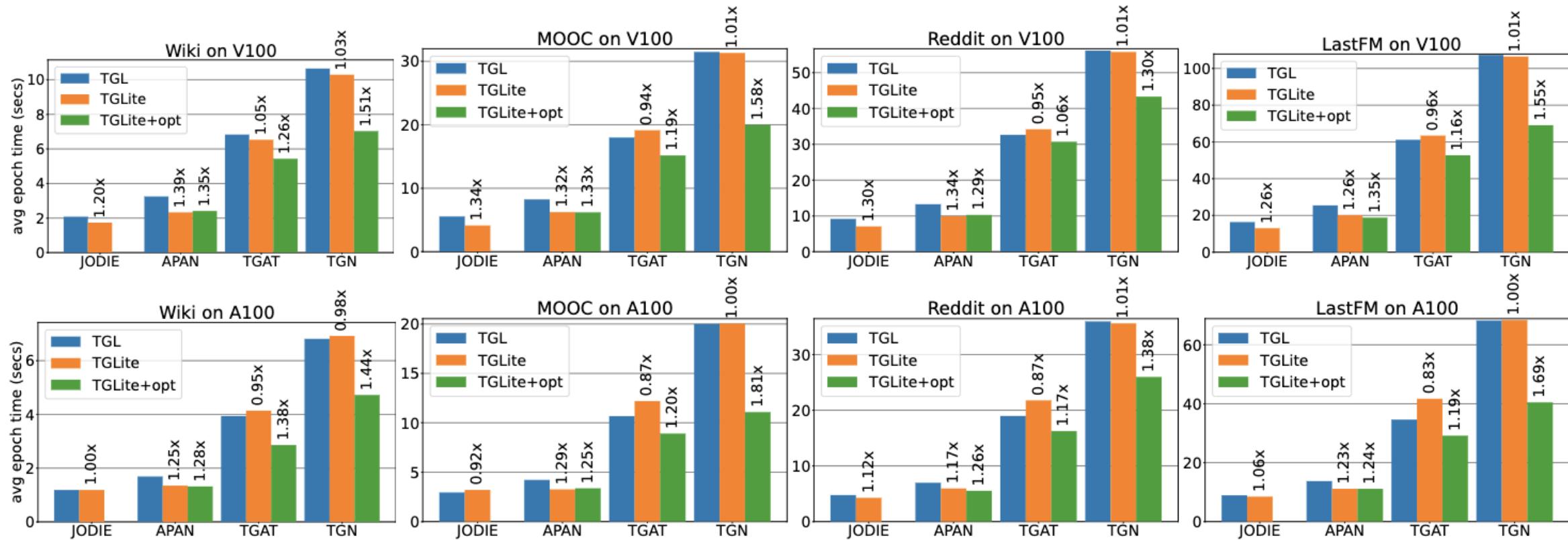


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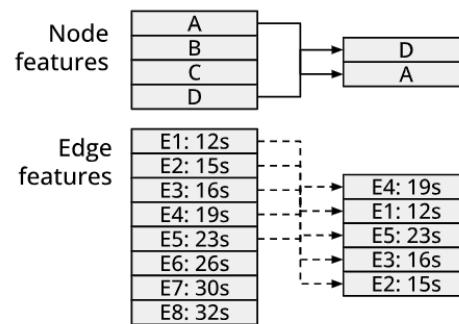
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*lower = better*



*Training time per epoch (seconds) for different datasets with data residing on GPU device memory.*

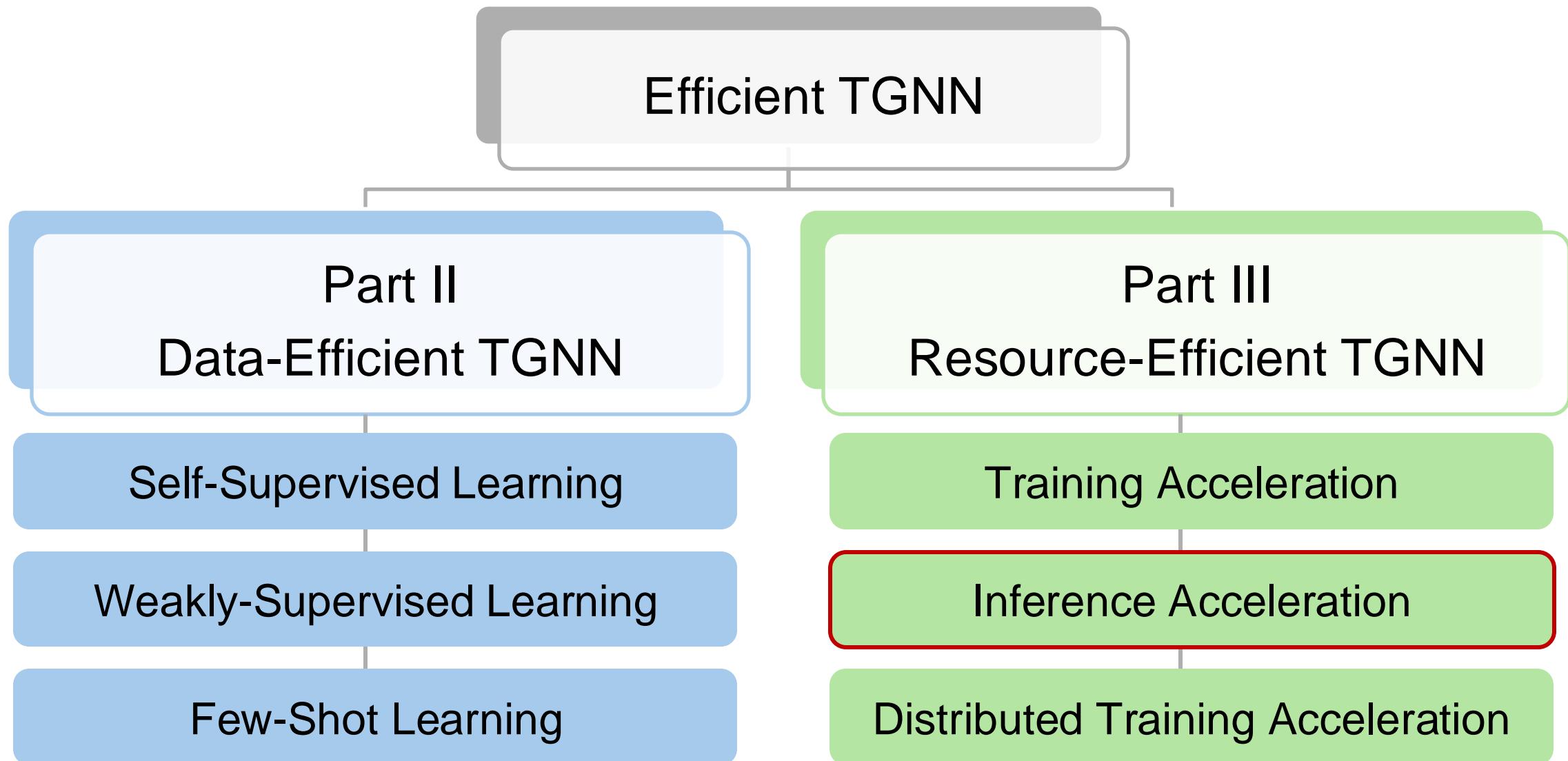
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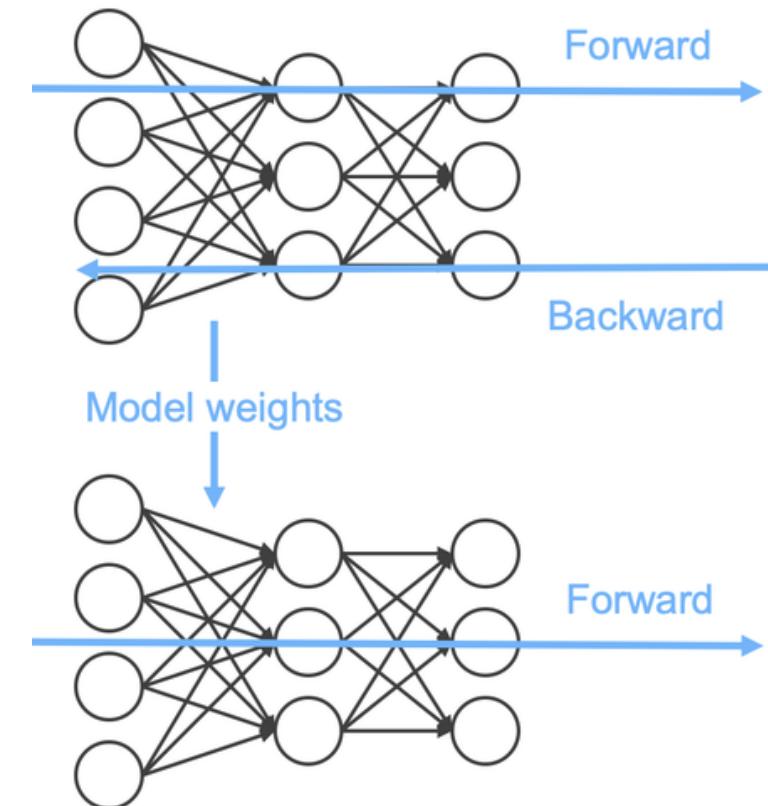


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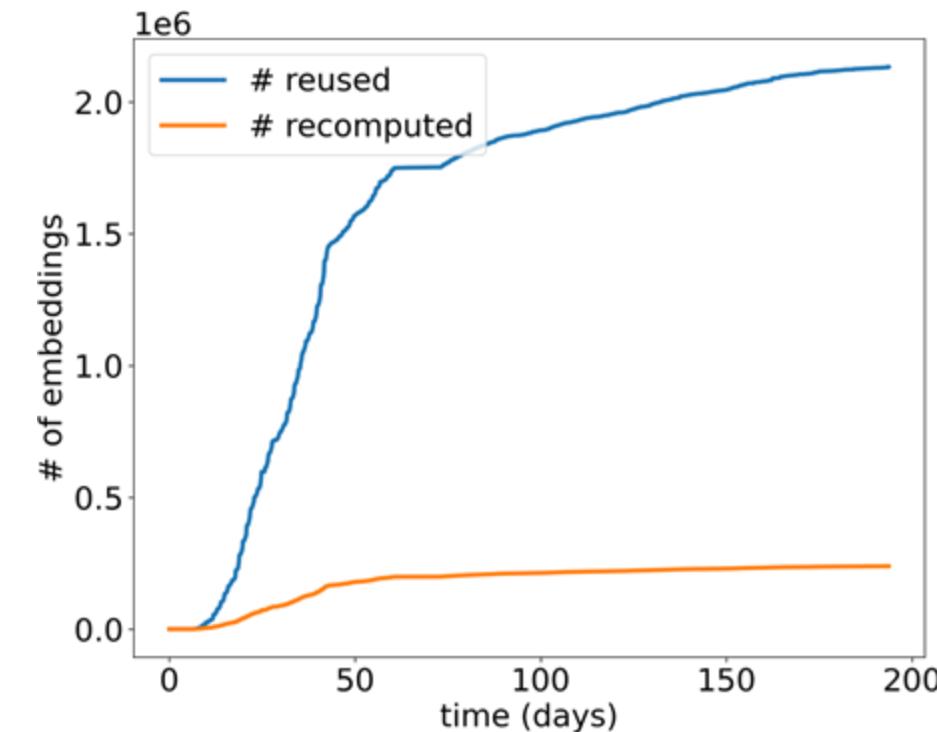
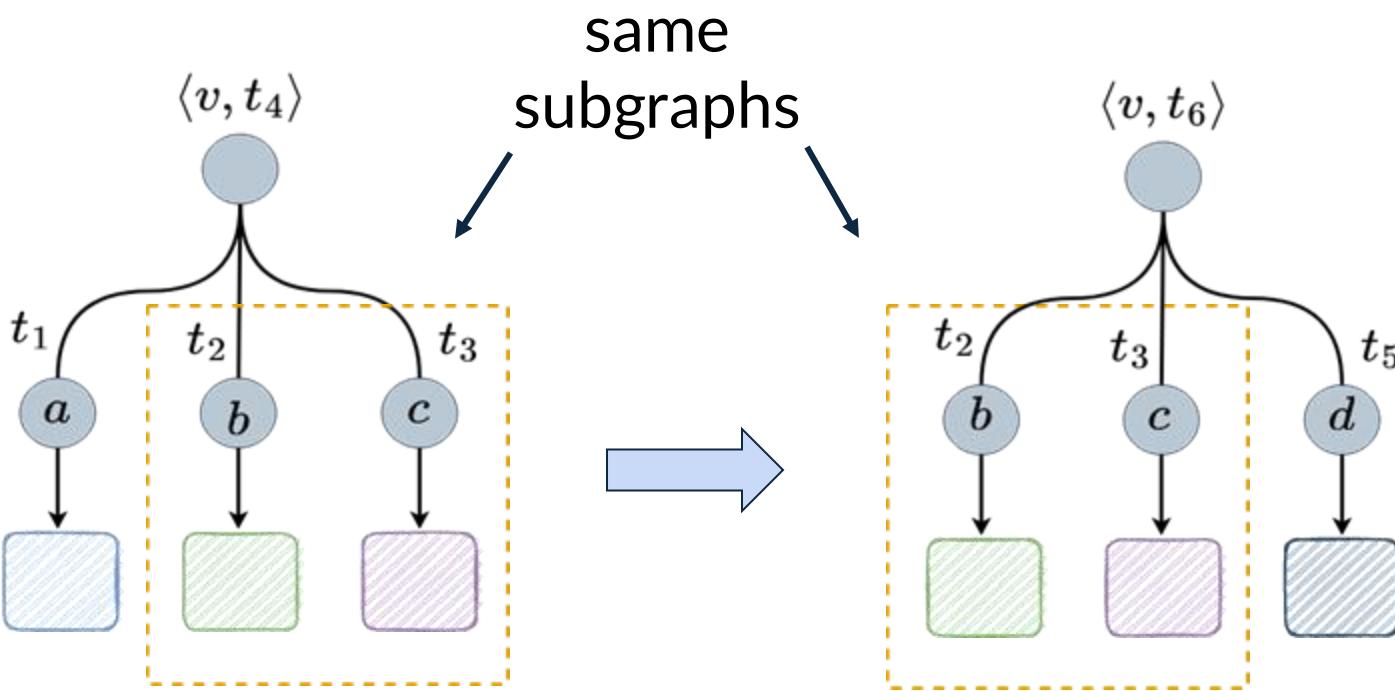
Difference between training and inference

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# Embedding Memoization: TGLite

- **Observation:**
  - Same sampled temporal subgraph appears over time.
- **Method:**
  - Embedding memoization



Embeddings reused vs.  
(re)computed over time

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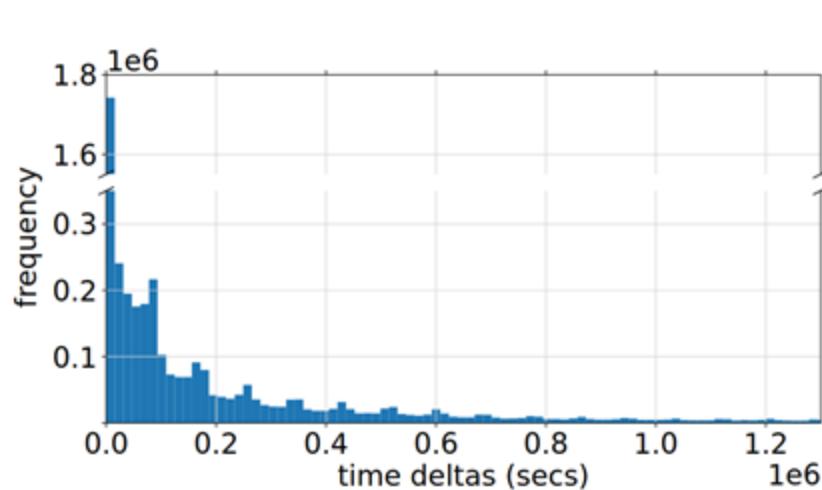
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# Time Encoding Precomputation: TGLite

- **Observation:** repeated time-encodings
- **Method:** precompute time window ahead-of-time and reuse time-encoding vectors

$$\boxed{z_i(t) = h_i^{(l-1)}(t) \parallel \dots \parallel \Phi(0)}$$
$$z_j(t) = h_j^{(l-1)}(t_j) \parallel \dots \parallel \Phi(t - t_j)$$

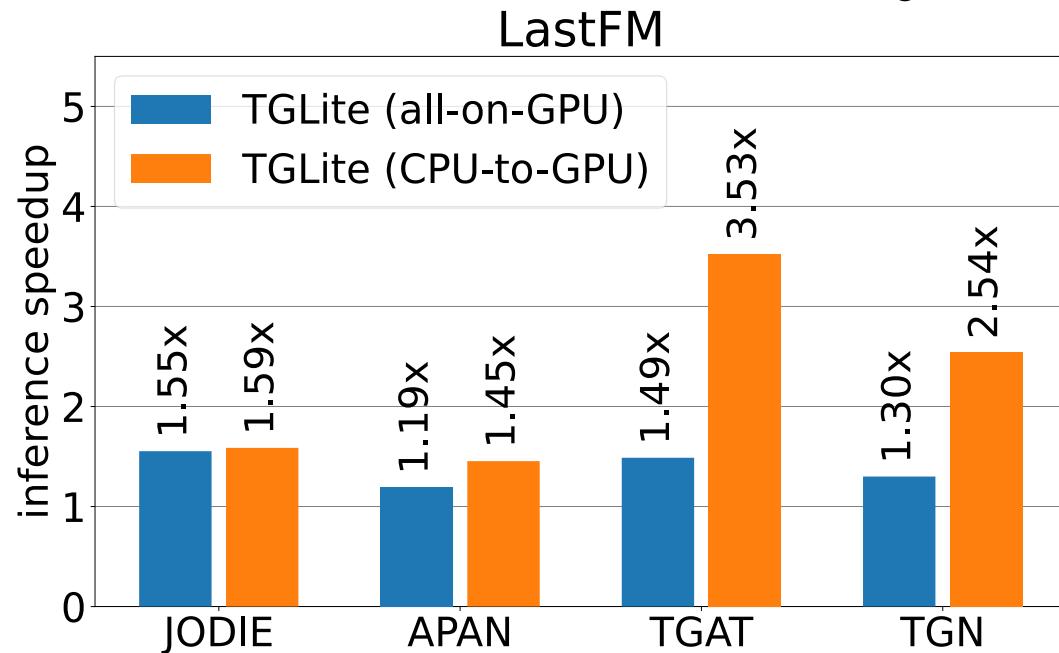
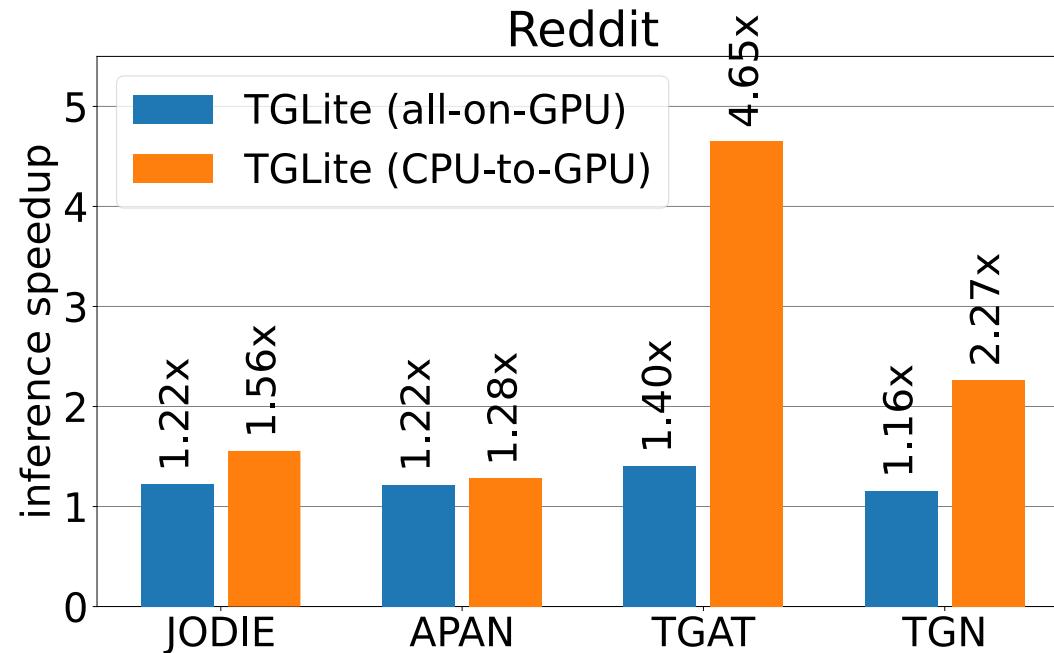
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(constant)  
target time – neighbor time



Distribution of time deltas  
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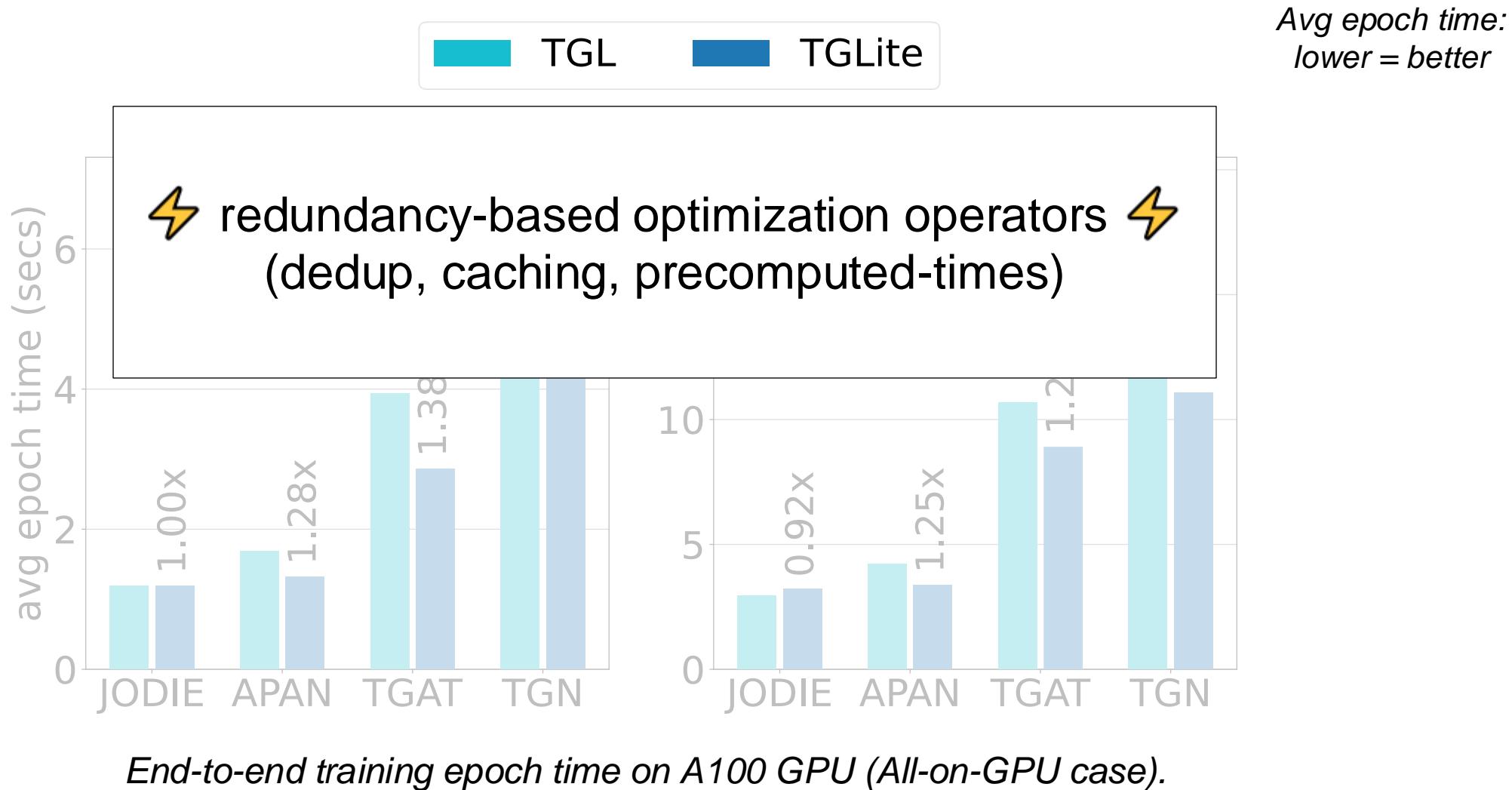
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Speedup:  
higher = better

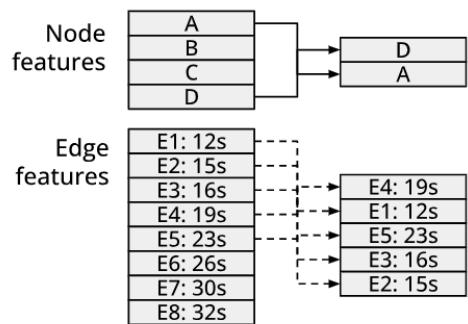


*Relative inference speedup of TGLite against respective TGL baseline on A100 GPU.*

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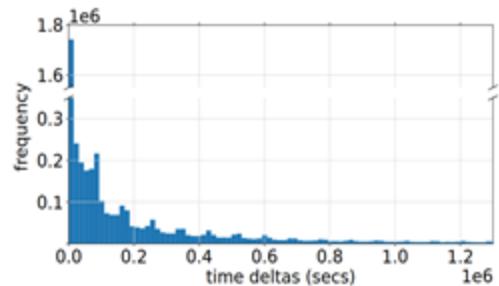


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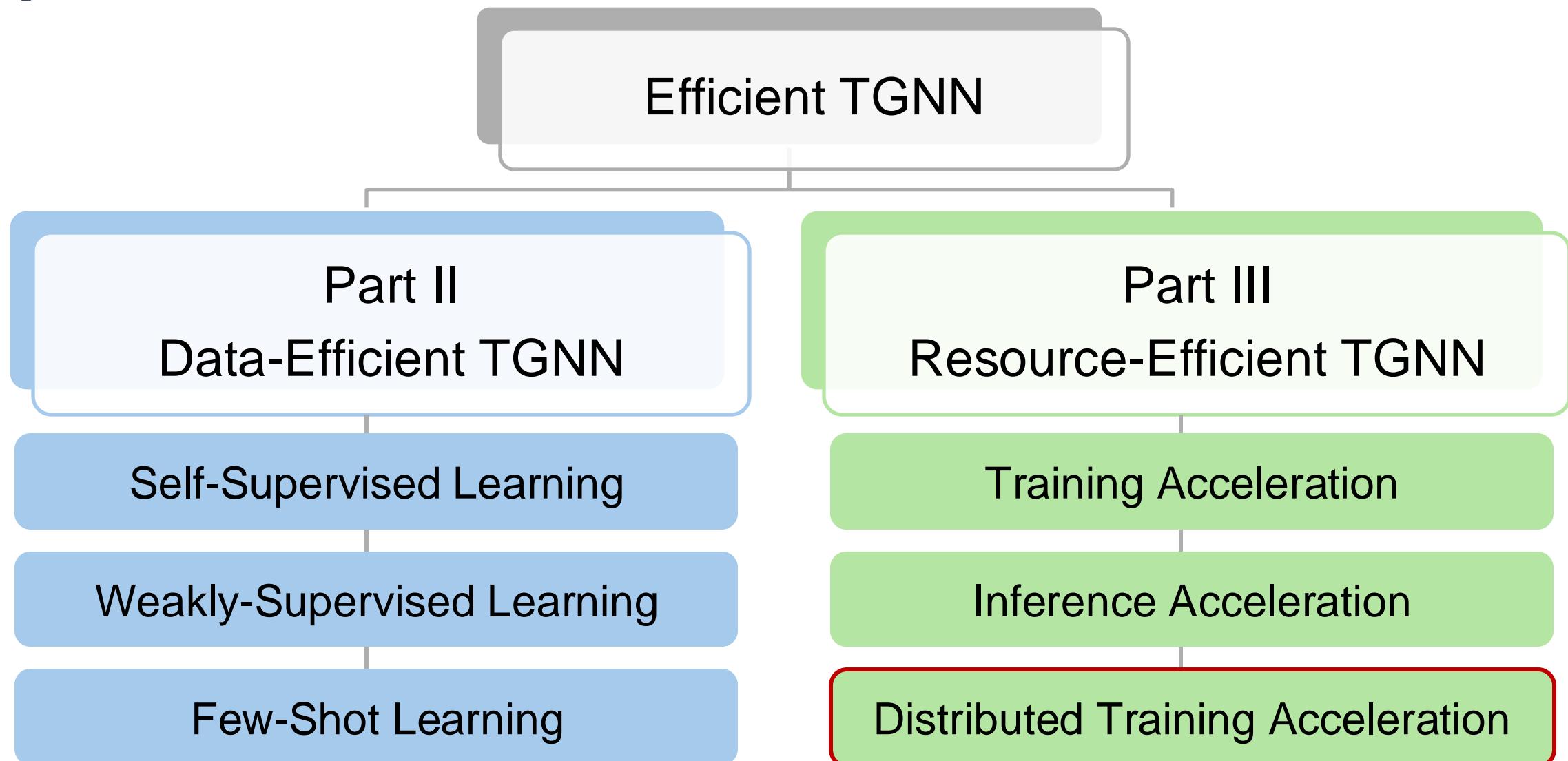
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# Scope of This Tutorial



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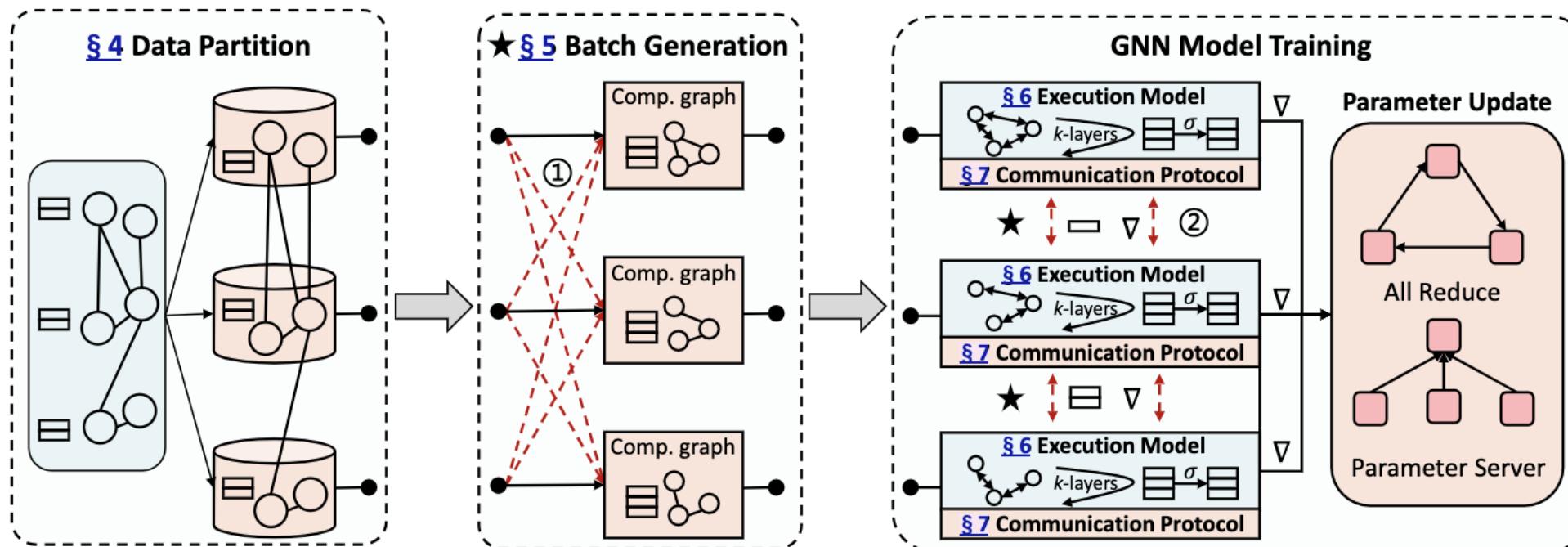
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# Background: Distributed GNN Training

- **Graph partition:** Graph data exceeds a single machine's RAM capacity.
- **Data parallelism:**
  - Splits the input data across multiple devices
  - Model replicas
  - Combine gradients to update the shared model



The abstraction of distributed GNN training pipeline<sup>[1]</sup>.

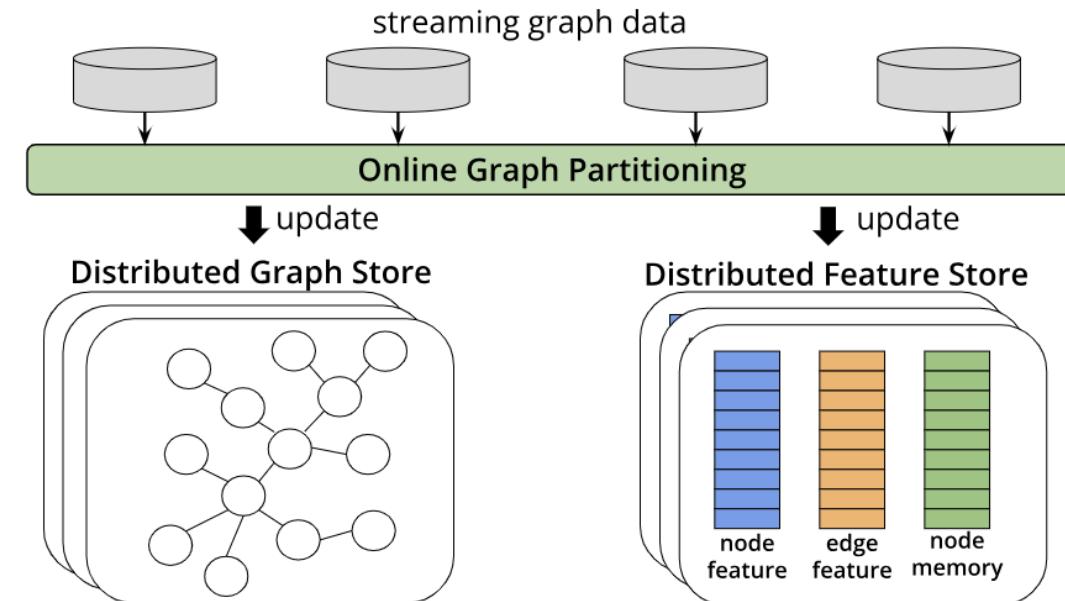
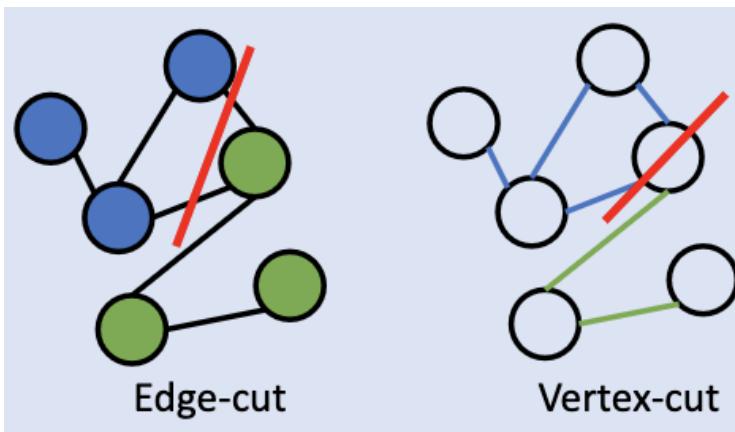
[1] Shao et. al., *Distributed Graph Neural Network Training: A Survey*.

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# Distributed Data Storage: GNNFlow

- Edge-cut model
  - Less cross-machine communication compared to node-cut model
  - Existing edge-cut method like METIS is not suitable for temporal graphs due to high recomputation cost.
- Online hash partitioning
  - $\text{hash}(n) \% P$ , n is node id, P is number of machines
  - Identity hash

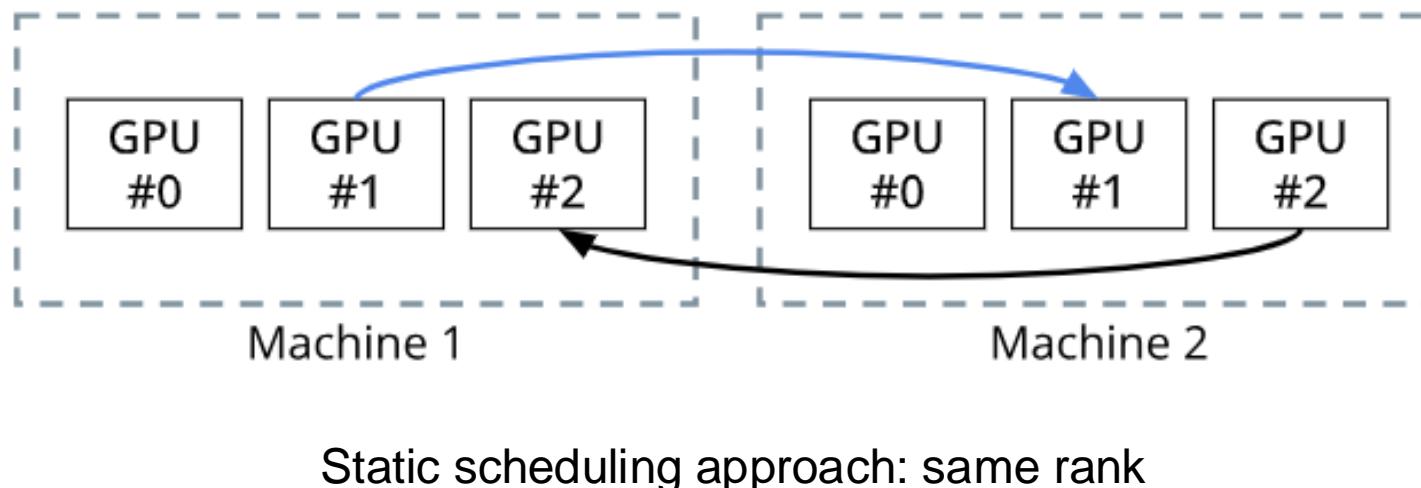


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# Distributed Sampling: GNNFlow

- Workload balance
  - Remote neighborhood sampling
  - Static scheduling approach
- Empirically validation
  - Average coefficient of variance of sampling times
  - <0.06



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# Data Parallel Training: DistTGL[1]

- Vanilla: mini-batch parallelism
- Epoch parallelism
- Memory parallelism

Single-GPU

i
i+1
i+2
i+3
i+4

(a) Mini-batch Parallelism

	P0	P1	P2
Itr. 0	$i^R_W$	$i+1^R_W$	$i+2^R_W$
Itr. 1	$i+3^R_W$	$i+4^R_W$	$i+5^R_W$
Itr. 2	$i+6^R_W$	$i+7^R_W$	$i+8^R_W$
Itr. 3	$i+9^R_W$	$i+10^R_W$	$i+11^R_W$

(b) Epoch Parallelism

	P0	P1	P2
Itr. 0	$i^R_W$	$i-1^R_W$	$i-2^R_W$
Itr. 1	$i+1^R_W$	$i^R_W$	$i-1^R_W$
Itr. 2	$i+2^R_W$	$i+1^R_W$	$i^R_W$
Itr. 3	$i+3^R_W$	$i+2^R_W$	$i+1^R_W$

	P0	P1	P2
Itr. 0	$i^R_W$	$i-2^R_W$	$i-1^R_W$
Itr. 1	$i^R_W$	$i+1^R_W$	$i-1^R_W$
Itr. 2	$i^R_W$	$i+1^R_W$	$i+2^R_W$
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reorder

(c) Memory Parallelism

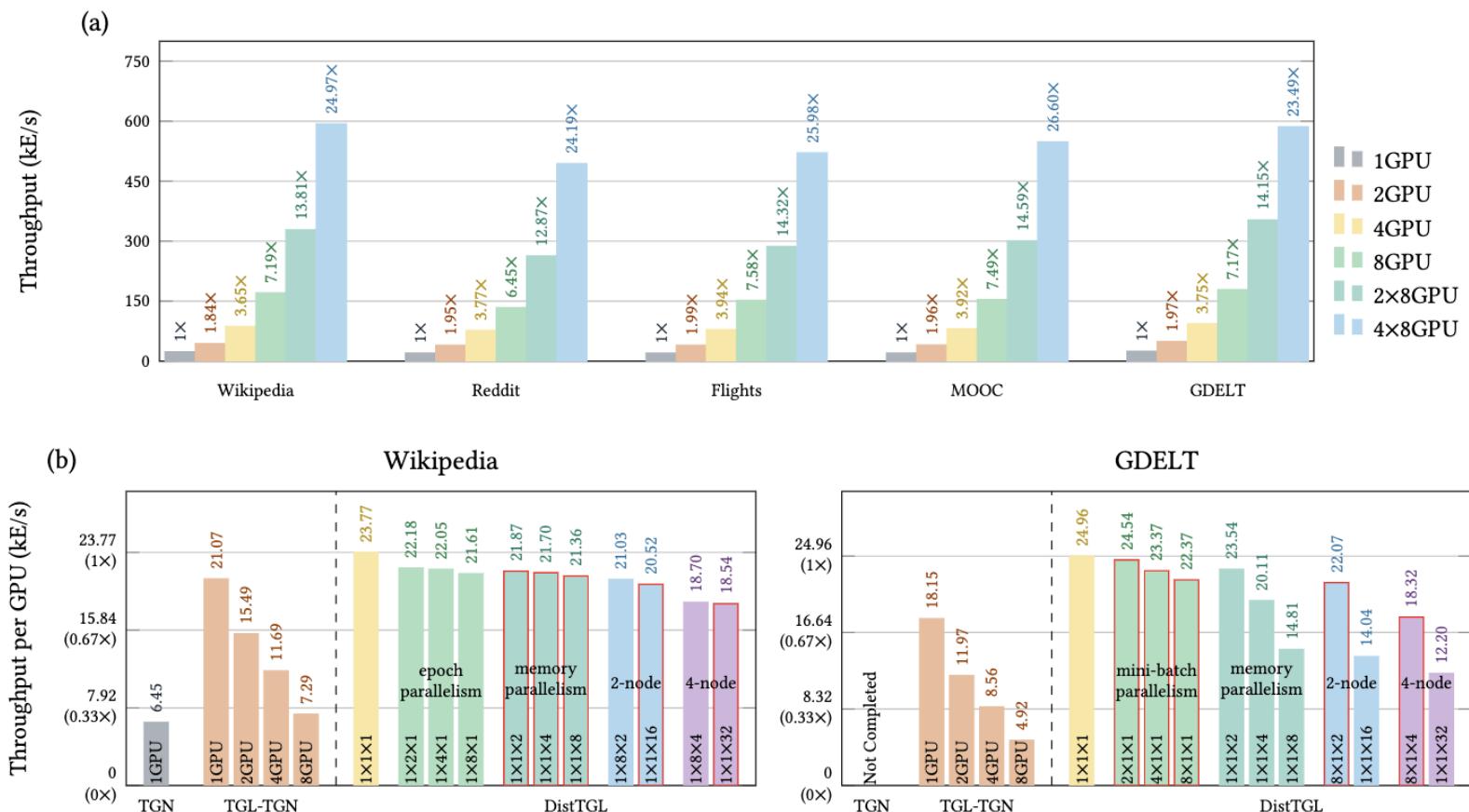
	P0	P1	P2
Itr. 0	$0^R_W$	$2^R_W$	$4^R_W$
Itr. 1	$1^R_W$	$3^R_W$	$5^R_W$
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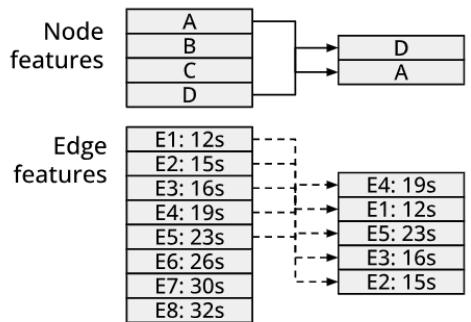
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# DistTGL Scalability



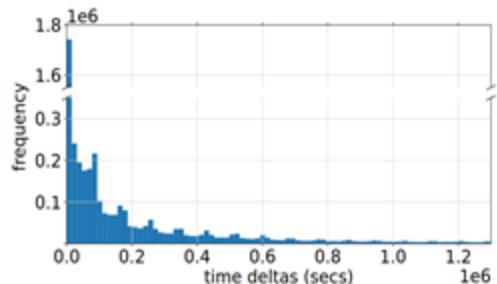
(a) *Training throughput.*  
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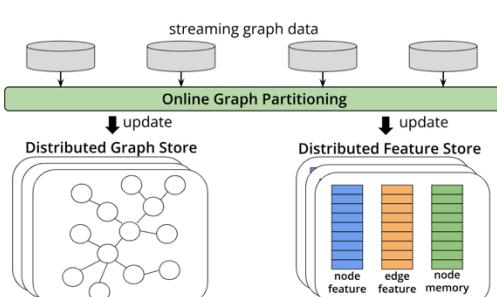
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# TGNN Frameworks

- TGL<sup>[1]</sup>: Lacks programming interface and continuous-time optimizations
- TGLite<sup>[2]</sup>: Ready-to-use library

```

import torch
import tglite as tg

class TGAT(torch.nn.Module):
    def __init__(self, ctx: tg.TContext, ...):
        super().__init__()  https://github.com/amazon-science/tgl
        self.ctx = ctx
        self.sampler = tg.TSampler(20, strategy='recent')
        ...

    def forward(self, batch: tg.TBatch):
        ...

graph = tg.TGraph(edges, times, ...)
ctx = tg.TContext(graph)
model = TGAT(ctx, ...)

```

TGLite API

CONFIG.YML

```

memory:
    - type: 'none'
      dim_out: 0
gnn:
    - arch: 'transformer_attention'
      layer: 2
      att_head: 2
      dim_time: 100
      dim_out: 100

if memory_param['type'] == 'node':
    if memory_param['memory_update'] == 'gru':
        self.memory_updater = GRUMemoryUpdater(memory_param, 2 * memory_pa
    elif memory_param['memory_update'] == 'rnn':
        self.memory_updater = RNNMemoryUpdater(memory_param, 2 * memory_pa
    elif memory_param['memory_update'] == 'transformer':
        self.memory_updater = TransformerMemoryUpdater(memory_param, 2 * me
    else:
        raise NotImplementedError

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TGL API

[1] <https://github.com/amazon-science/tgl>  
[2] <https://github.com/ADAPT-UIUC/tglite>

# TGLite Demo

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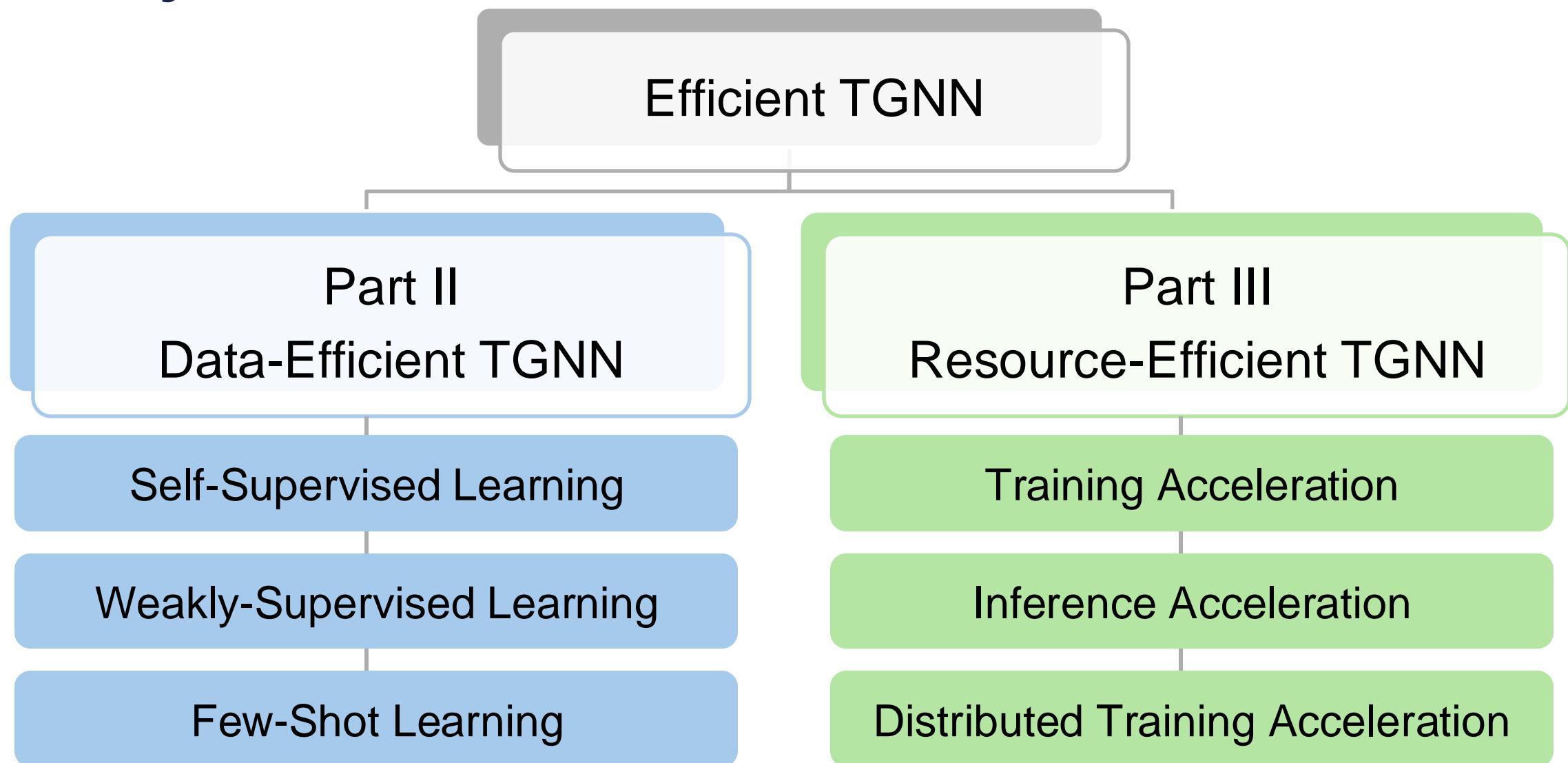


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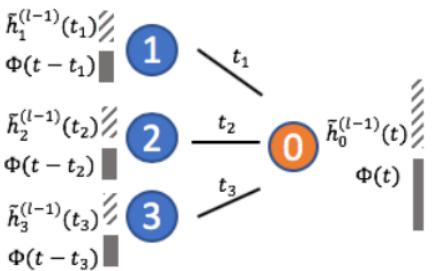
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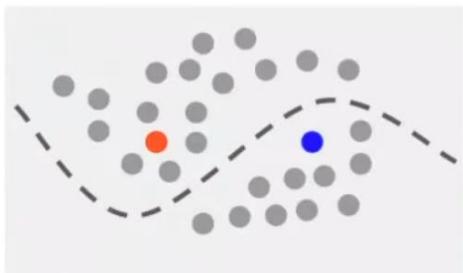


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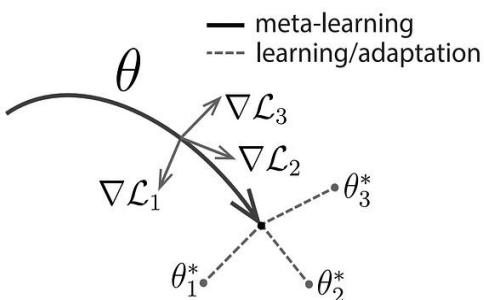
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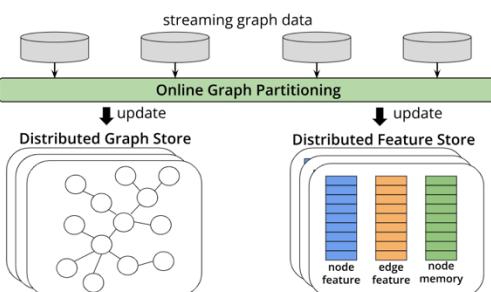
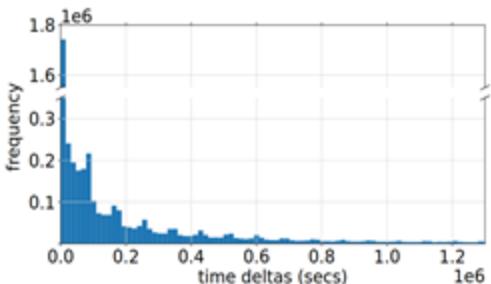
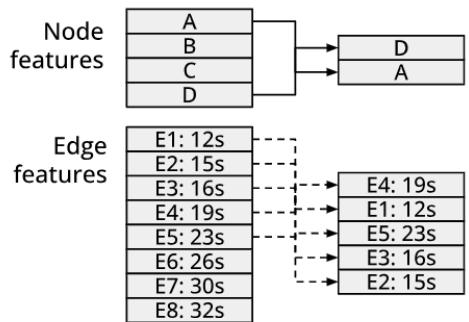
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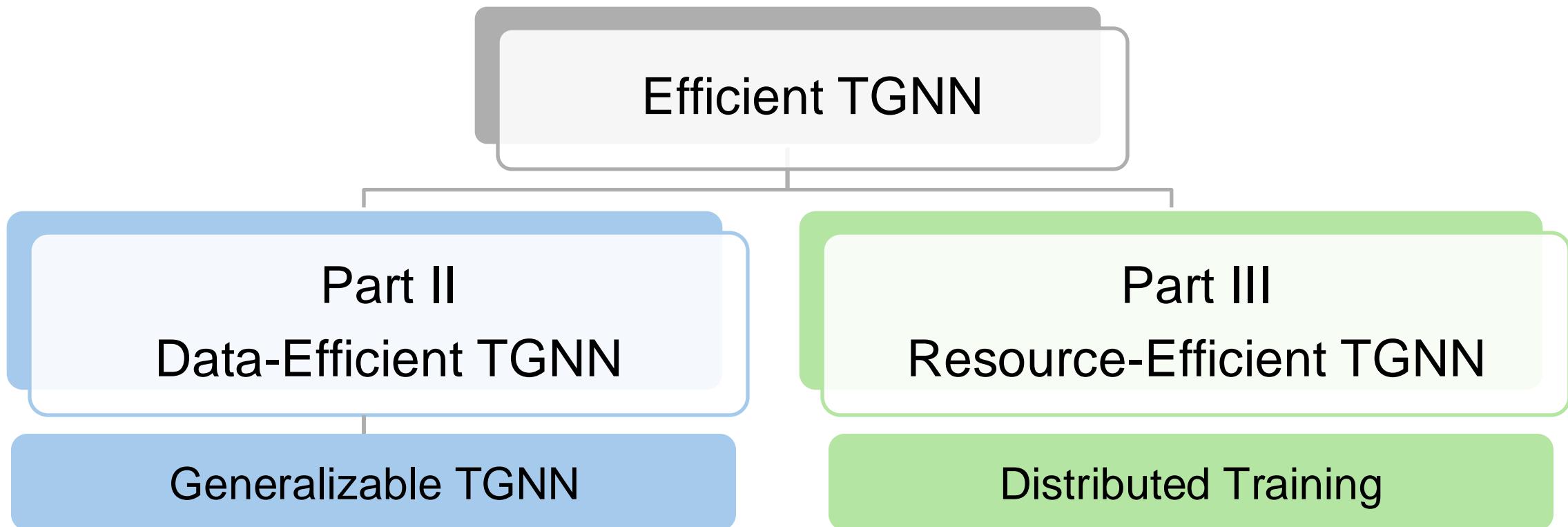
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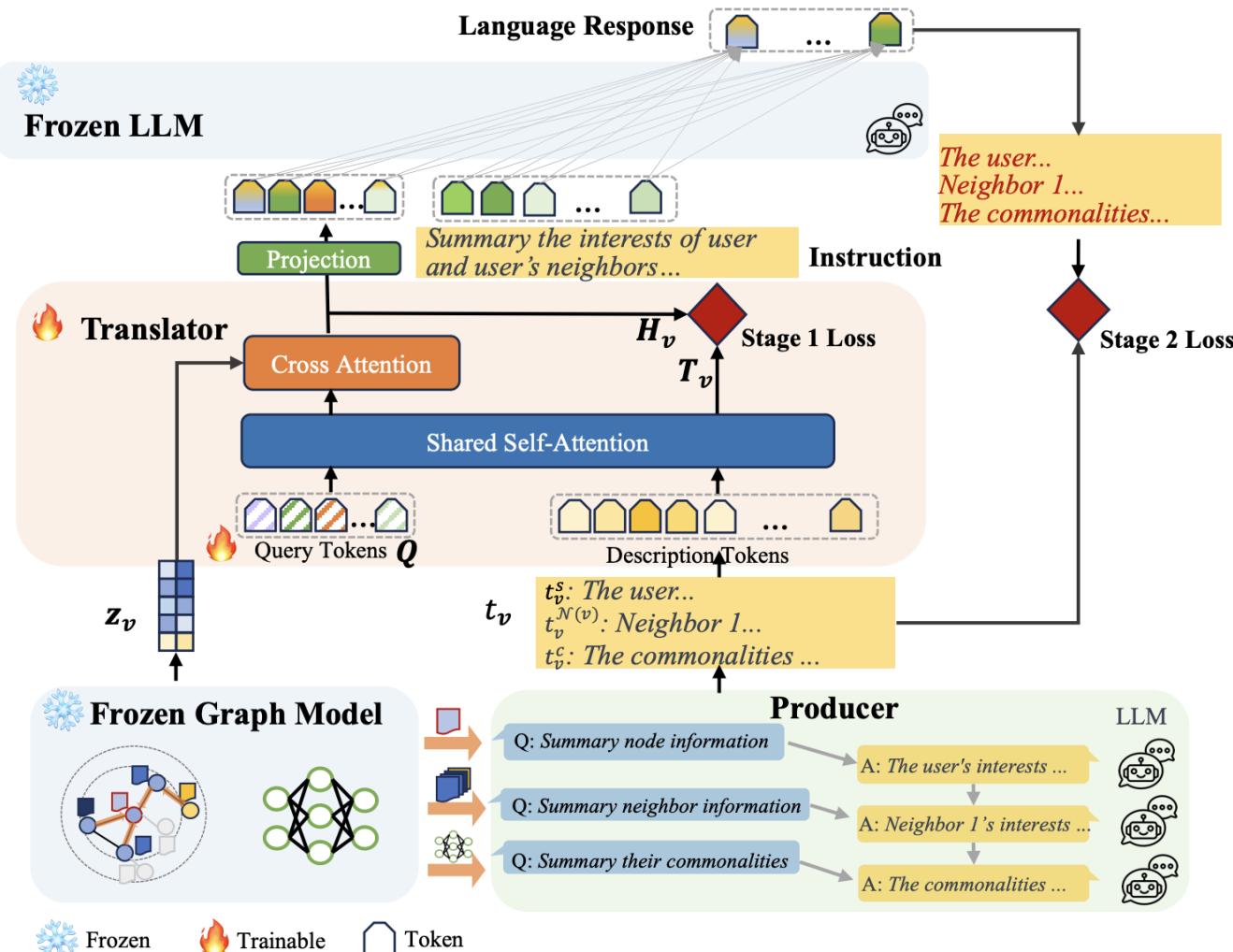


# Generalizable TGNNs: LLM Solutions

- ❑ **Objective:** Borrow LLMs' generalizability to eliminate dependency on task-related labels.

- ❑ **Challenges:**
  - ❑ Time token formulation
  - ❑ Repeated LLM fine-tuning in different time

- ❑ **Future Directions:**
  - ❑ Align TGNNs with LLMs
  - ❑ Lightweight TGNN-based adapter



# Generalizable TGNNs: Graph Foundation Model Solutions

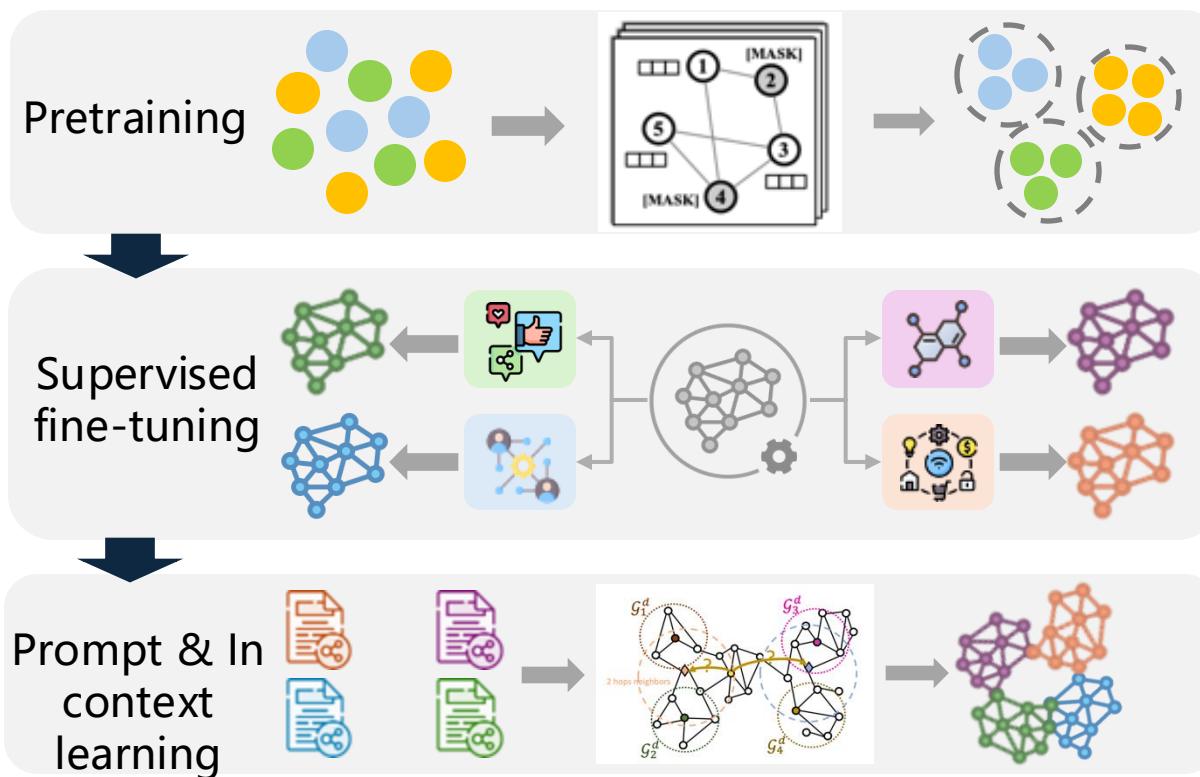
- **Objective:** Fine-tune GFM to eliminate dependency on task-related labels.

- **Challenges:**

- Lack of unified pretraining objective
- Homophily vs. heterophily

- **Future Directions:**

- Unify pretraining objective via temporal subgraph relevance prediction.
- Adaptive TGNNs on homophily and heterophily graphs.



# Distributed Training: Adaptive Graph Partition

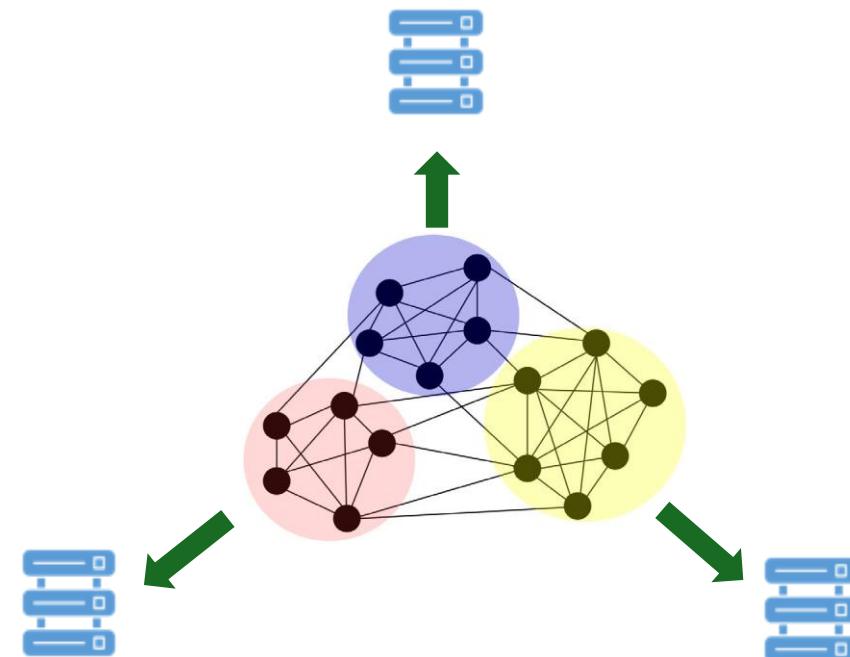
- ❑ **Objective:** Partition large-scale graphs into distributed nodes according to node conditions.

- ❑ **Challenges:**

- ❑ Chronological order v.s. graph partition
  - ❑ Load balance

- ❑ **Future Directions:**

- ❑ Adaptive graph partition in online setting
  - ❑ Dynamic load balance mechanism



# Distributed Training: Heterogeneous Devices

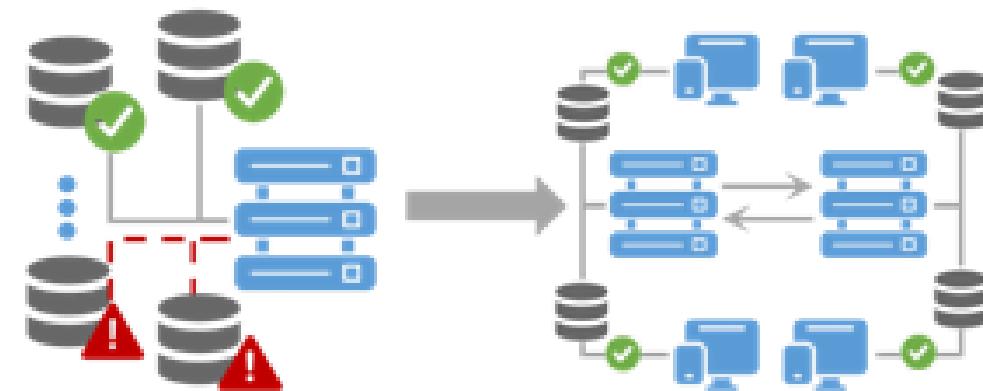
- ❑ **Objective:** Enable distributed training on a set of heterogeneous devices.

- ❑ **Challenges:**

- ❑ Network throughput bottleneck
- ❑ Privacy concern

- ❑ **Future Directions:**

- ❑ On-device offloading of TGNNs
- ❑ Federated TGNN training frameworks



# Q & A