

# Machine Learning on Graphs

## Graph Neural Networks

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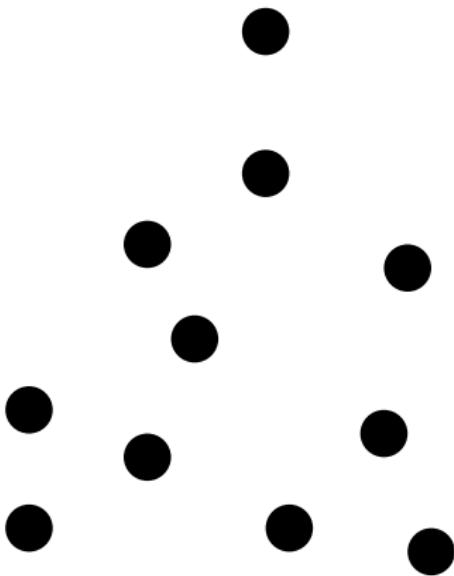
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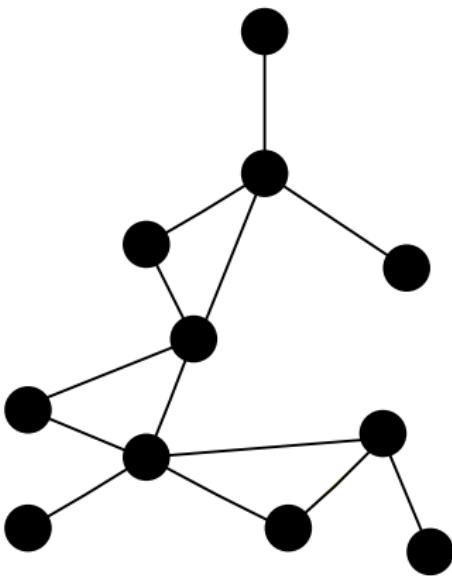


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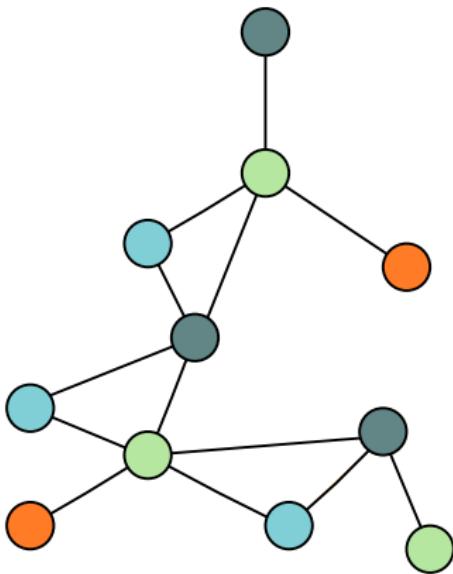
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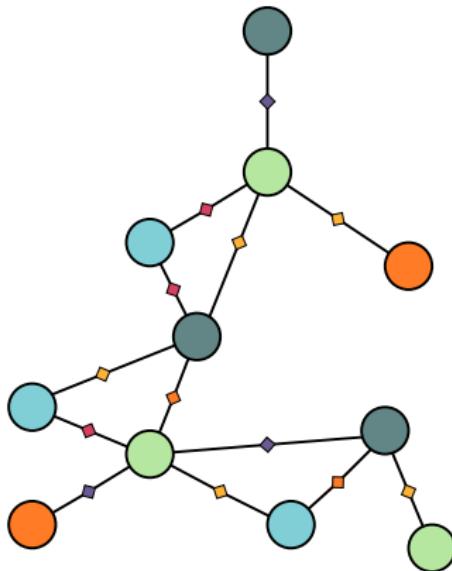
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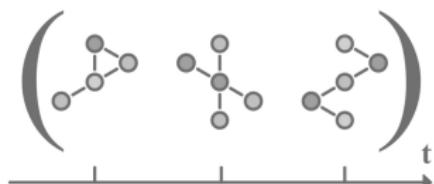
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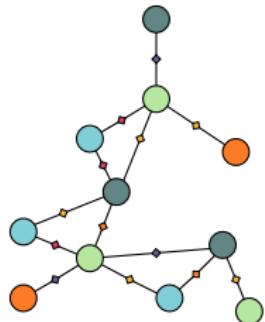
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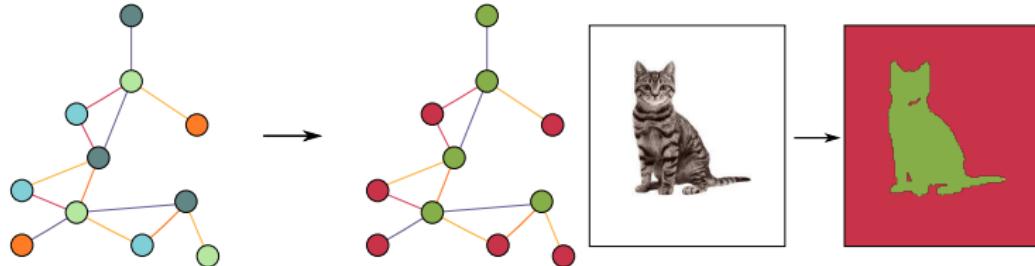


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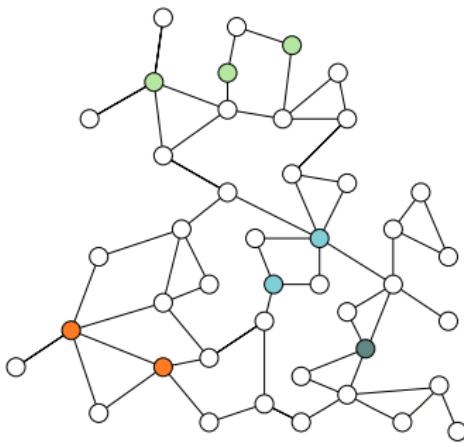
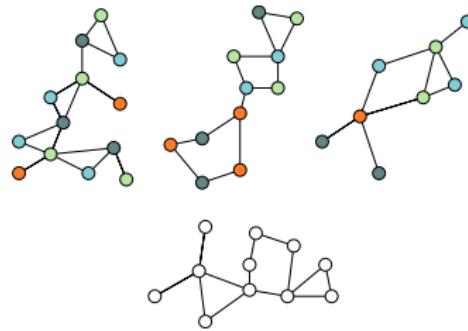
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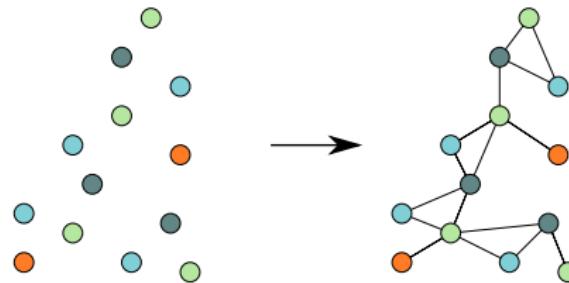
- Inductive tasks : the decision is taken on a "fully" unknown graph
- Transductive tasks : the decision is taken on a graph with some labeled training nodes (semi-sup)



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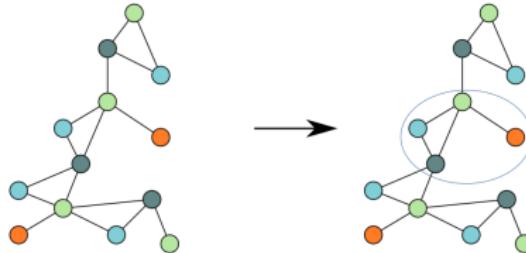
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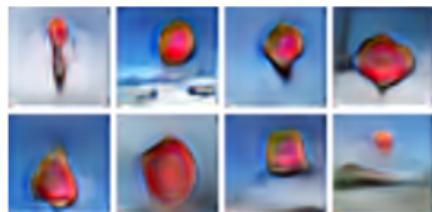
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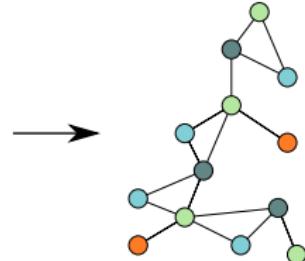
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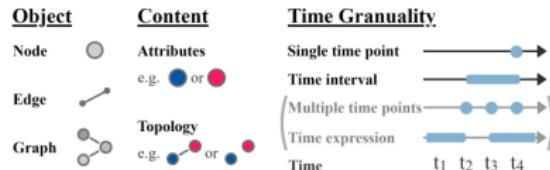
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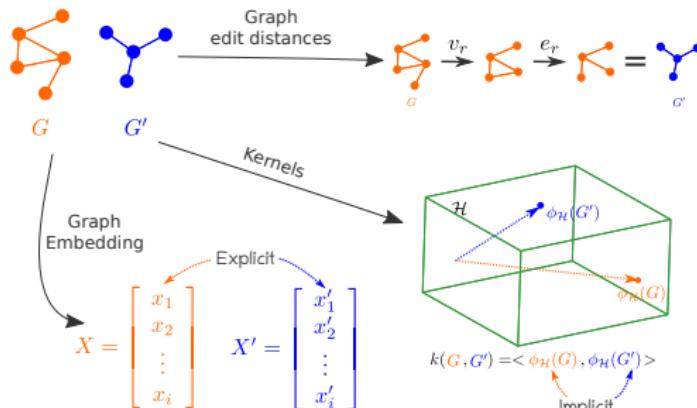


# Machine learning on graph

## Before the "Deep Learning Era"

Machine Learning on graphs is not a new subject. Graph classification is used in many application since 3/4 decades with 3 main strategies :

- Set graph features as input of stat. ML models (probing/embedding)
- Work in the (dis)similarity space through the GED or its variants
- Use implicit distance through the use of graph Kernels



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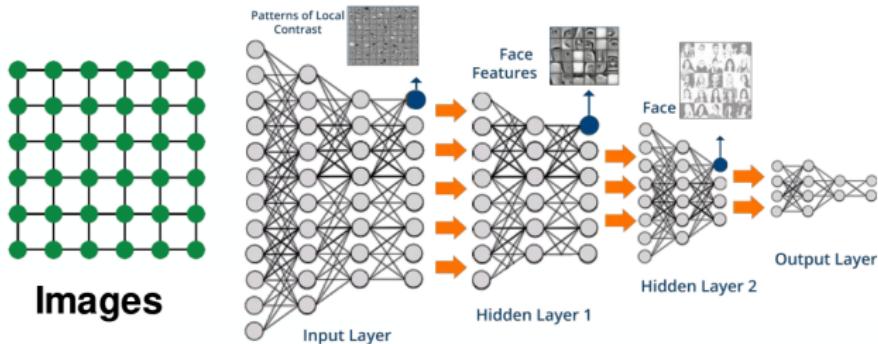
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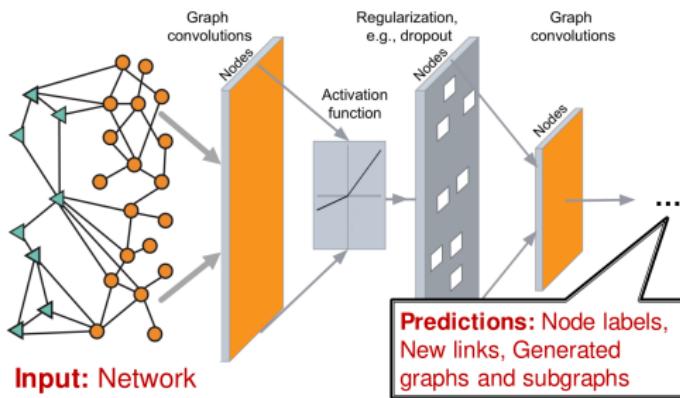
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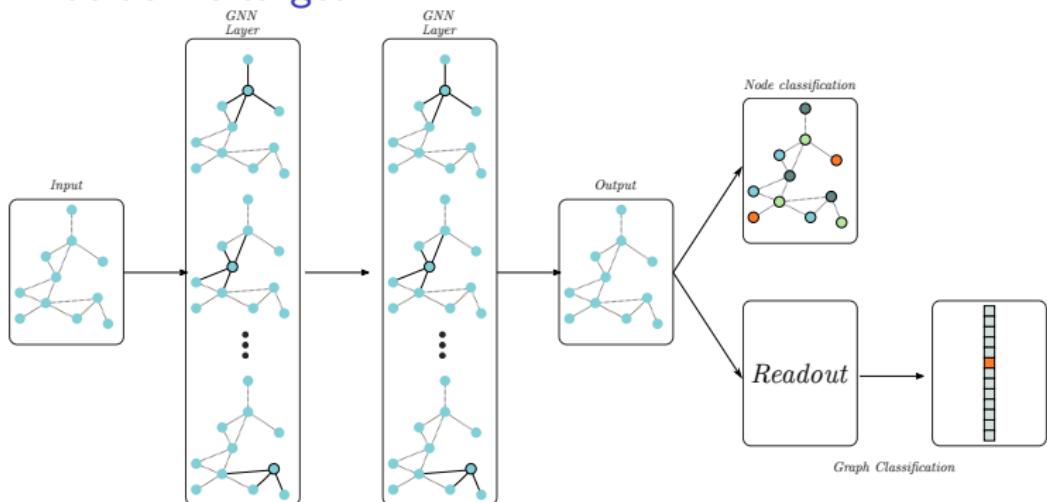
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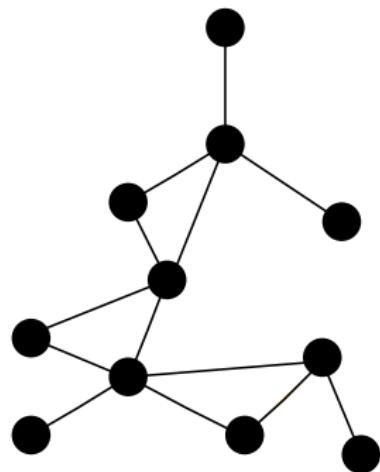
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What are the main key concepts of CNNs ?

- **Raw data (matrices or tensors) as input** : the representation space is learnt through layers → no hand-made feature computation
- **Weight sharing ( $\neq$  MLP)** : guided by the symmetries of the problem (inductive bias). For CNN : **translation-equivariance**
- **Parameterized differentiable operators** to enable gradient backpropagation
  - Convolutions
  - Pooling
  - Normalizations, skip connections...

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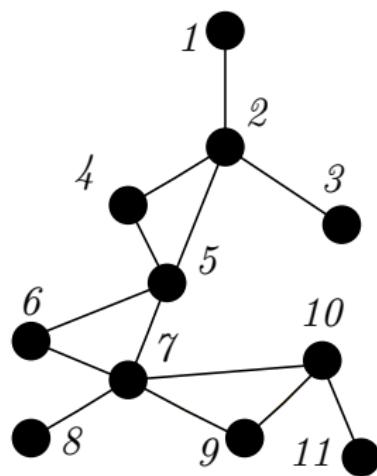
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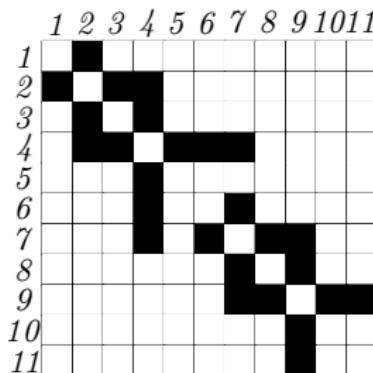
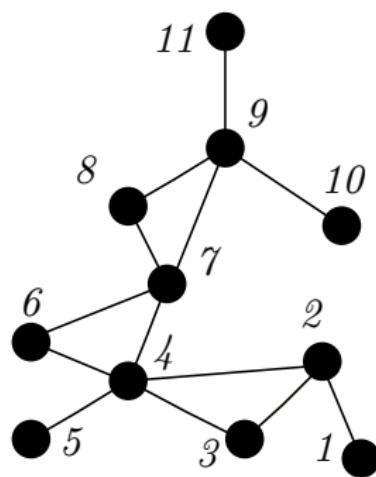


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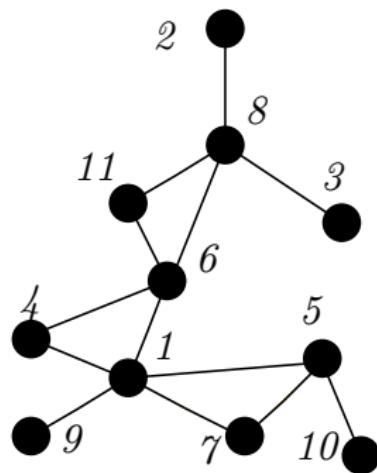
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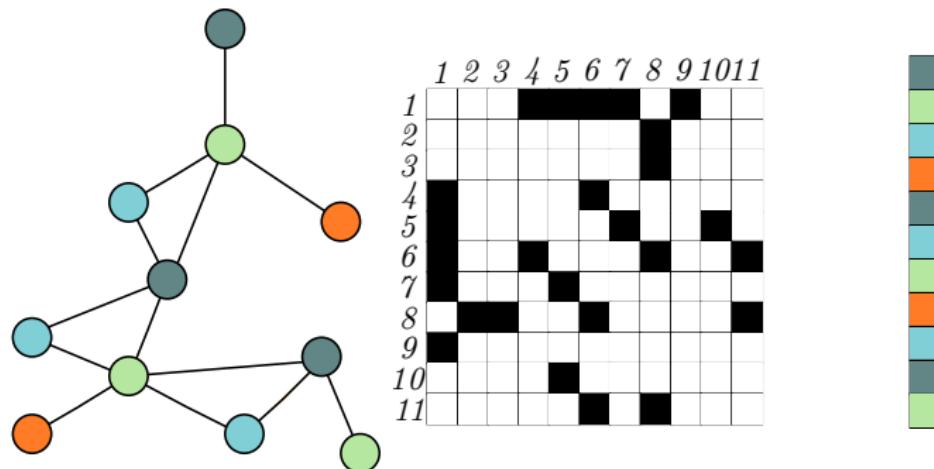


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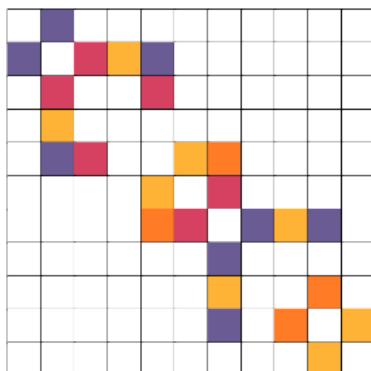
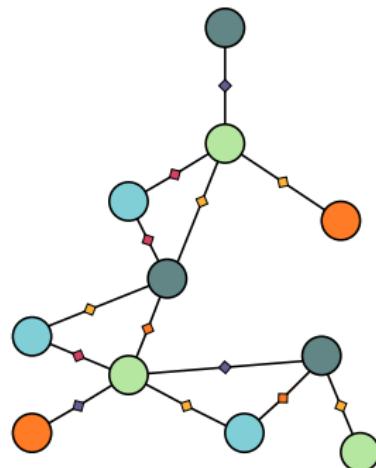
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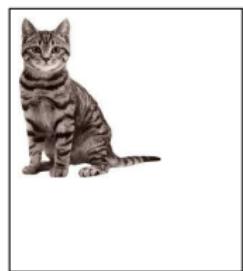
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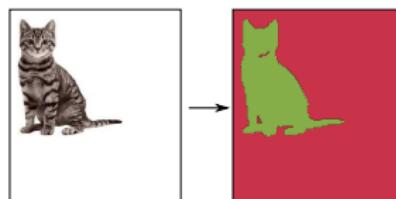
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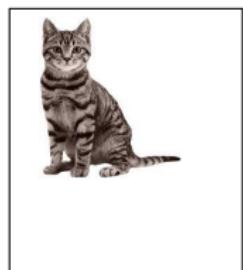
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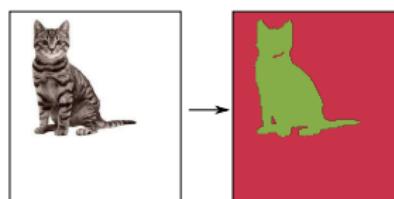
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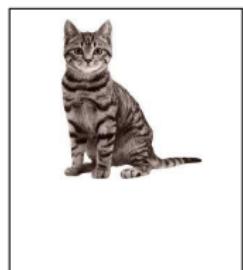
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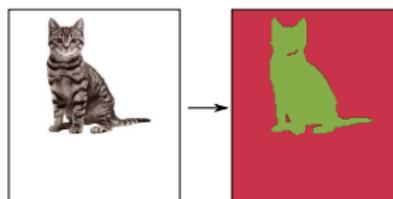
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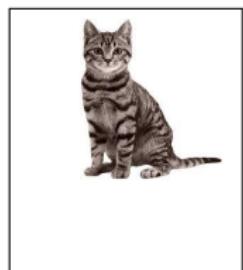
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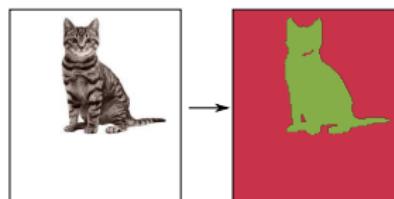
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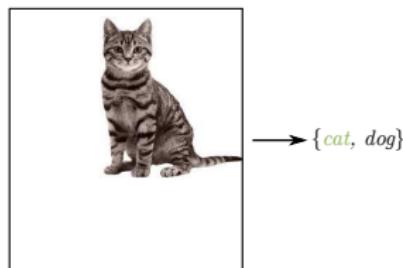
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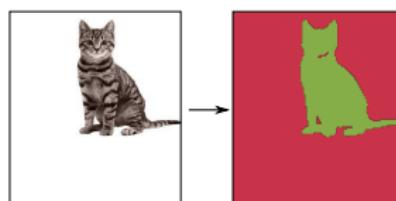
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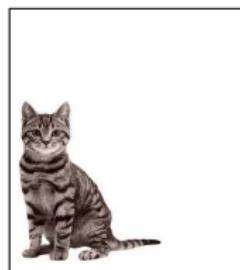
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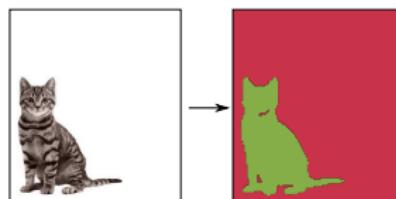
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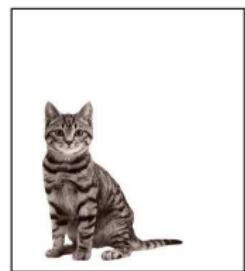
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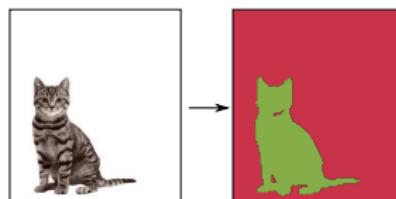
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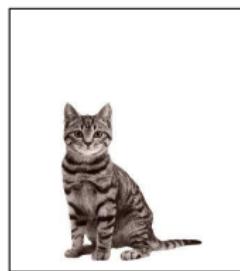
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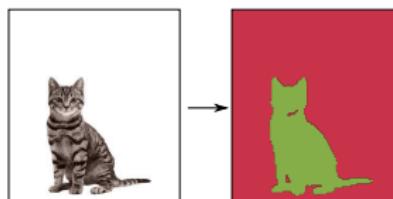
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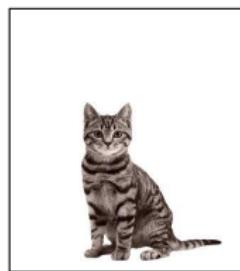
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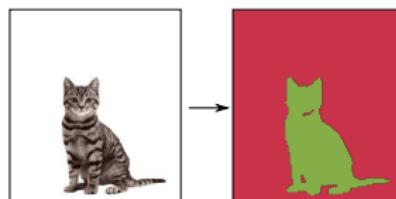
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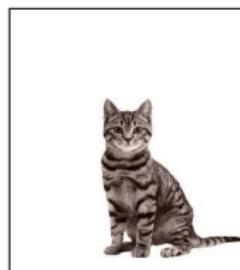
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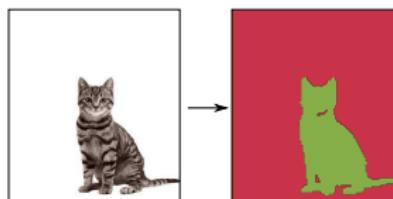
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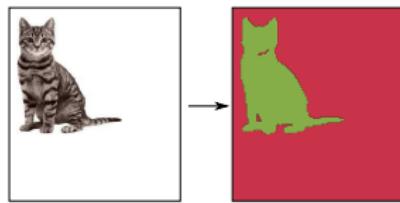
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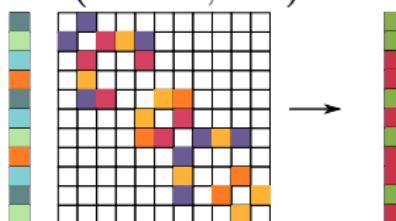
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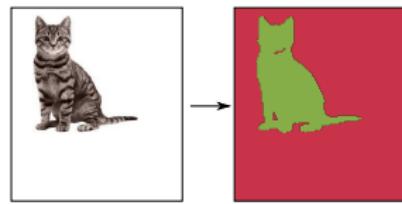


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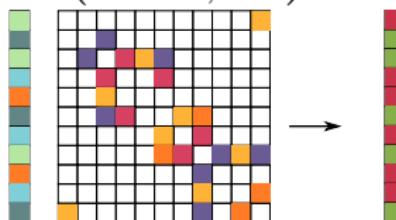
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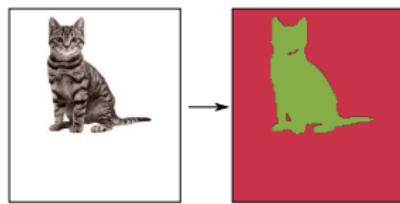
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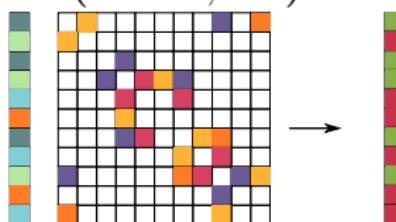
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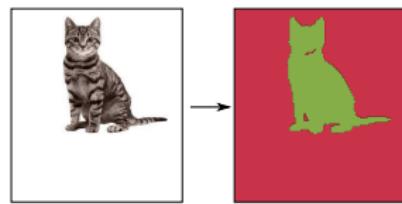
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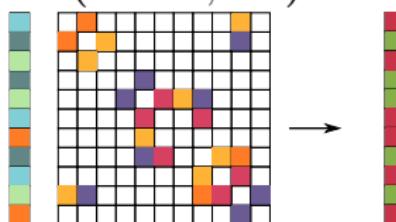
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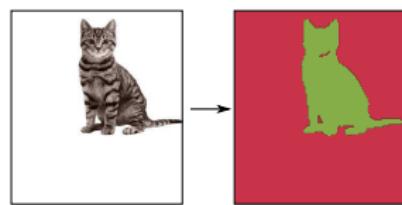
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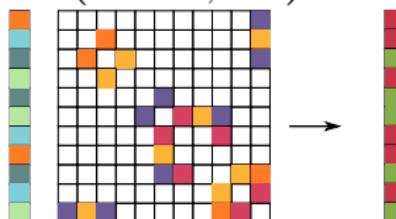
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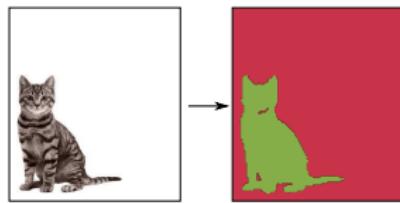
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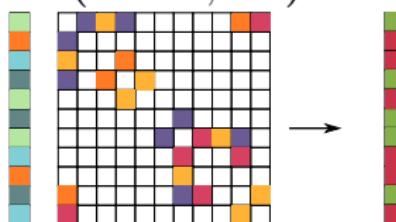
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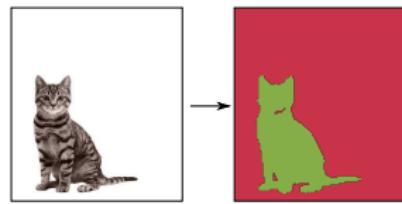
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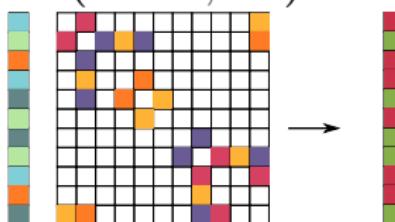
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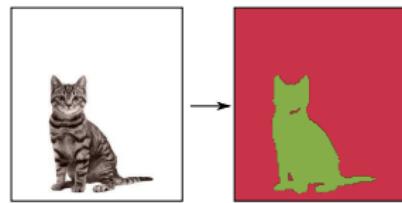
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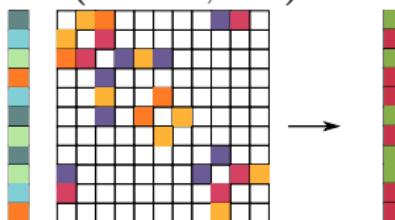
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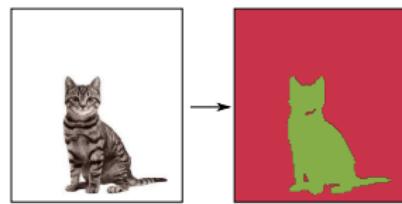


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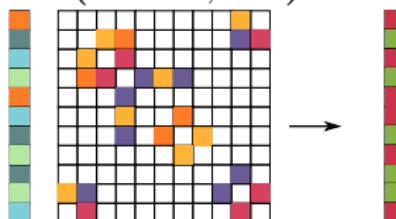
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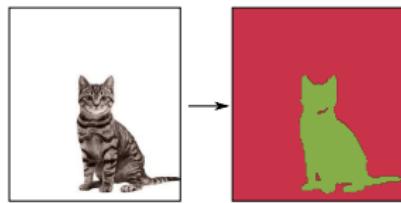
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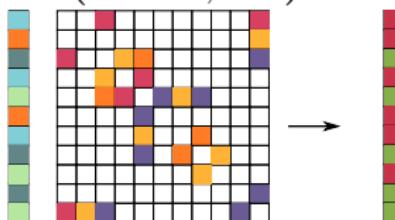
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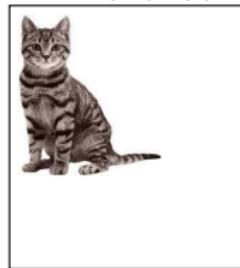
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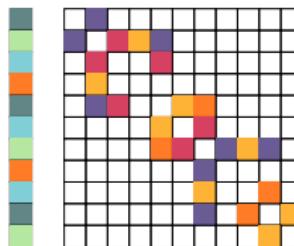


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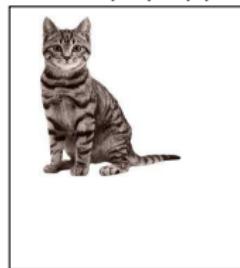
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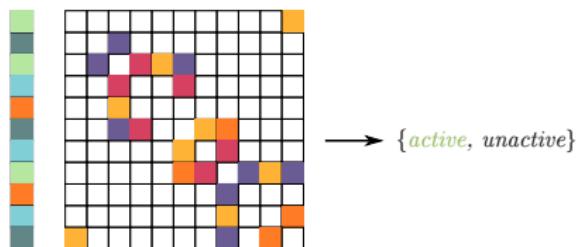
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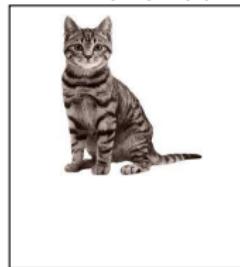


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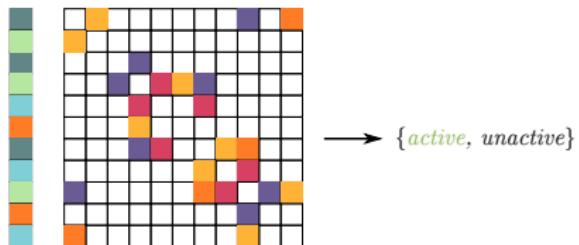
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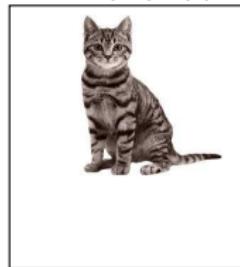


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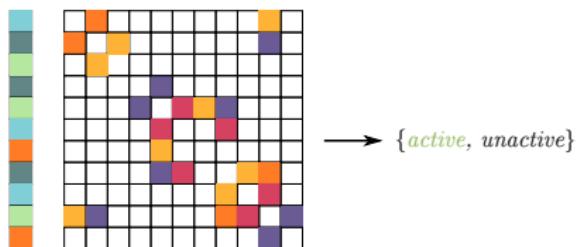
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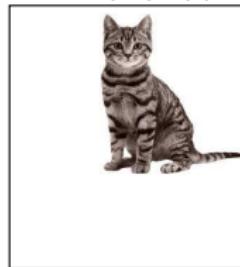


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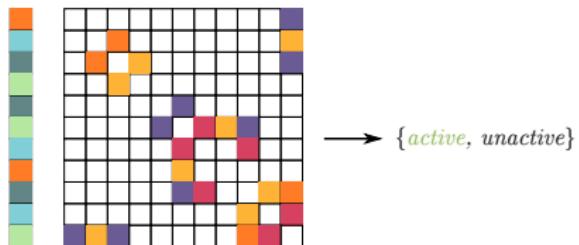
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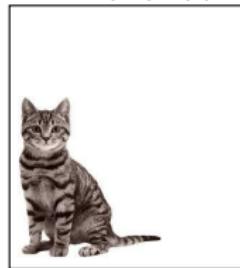


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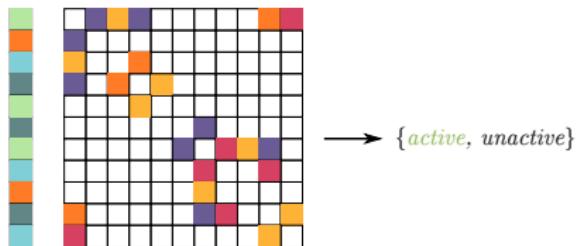
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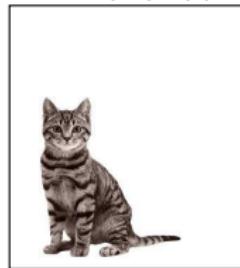


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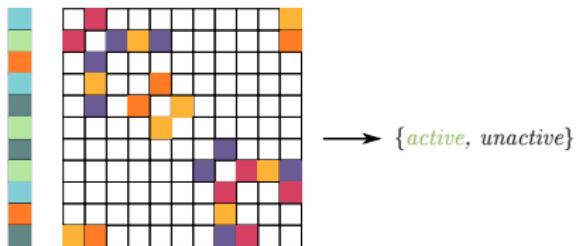
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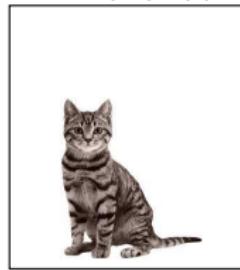


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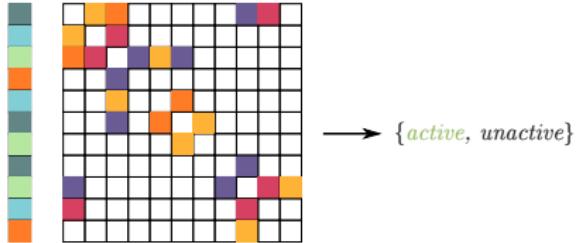
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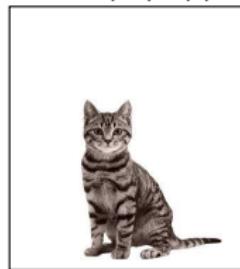
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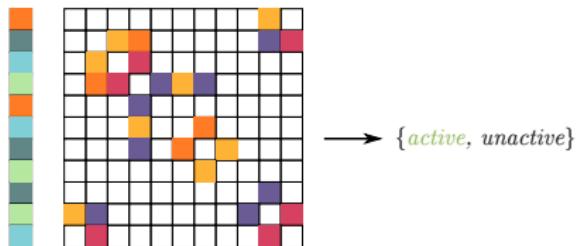
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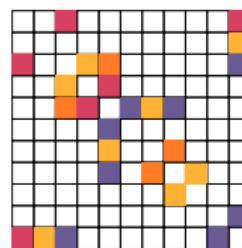
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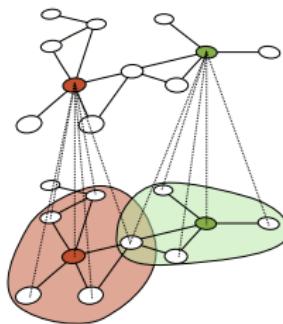
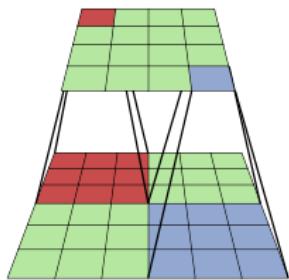
Ok : we need equivariant "convolutions" on graphs !

Convolutions on images are well defined.

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- Neighbors weights can be linked to a relative position.

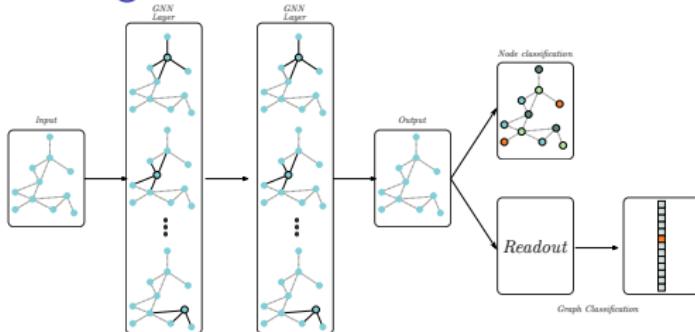
Convolutions on graphs :

- A node does not always have the same number of neighbors
- No relative position on neighborhood



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So what do we target ?



- A GNN layer updates each node hidden states  $h_u$  (for node  $u$ ) using :
$$h_u^{k+1} = f_k(h_u^{(k)}, \{h_v^{(k)} \forall v \in |\mathcal{V}|\}, \{e_{v_i, v_j} \forall (v_i, v_j) \in |\mathcal{E}|\})$$
- Two strategies co-exist for the design of the fonction  $f_k$  :
  - Spatial design
  - Spectral design

# Outline of the lecture

Introduction to machine learning on graphs

Introduction to Graph Neural Networks

Spatial GNNs

Spectral GNNs

Bridging the Gap between Spatial and Spectral

Graph Level Prediction

"Hot" research questions about GNNs ?

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# Spatial GNNs

General framework : Message Passing Neural Networks (MPNN)

The equation of the preceding slide

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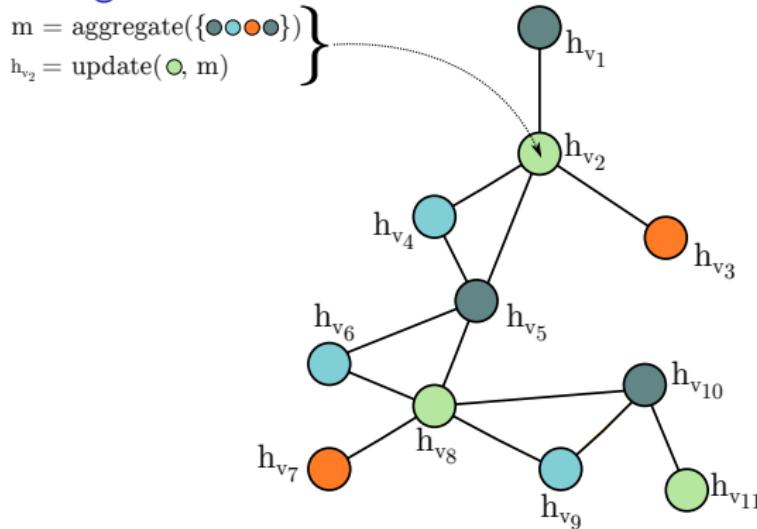
is generally written as a composition of functions update and aggregate

$$\mathbf{h}_u^{(l+1)} = \text{update}(\mathbf{h}_u^{(l)}, \text{aggregate}(\{\mathbf{h}_v^{(l)}, \forall v \in \mathcal{N}(u)\}))$$

- update and aggregate functions define the GNN behaviour
- aggregate function must be **invariant** to permutations

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## Message Passing Neural Networks : illustration

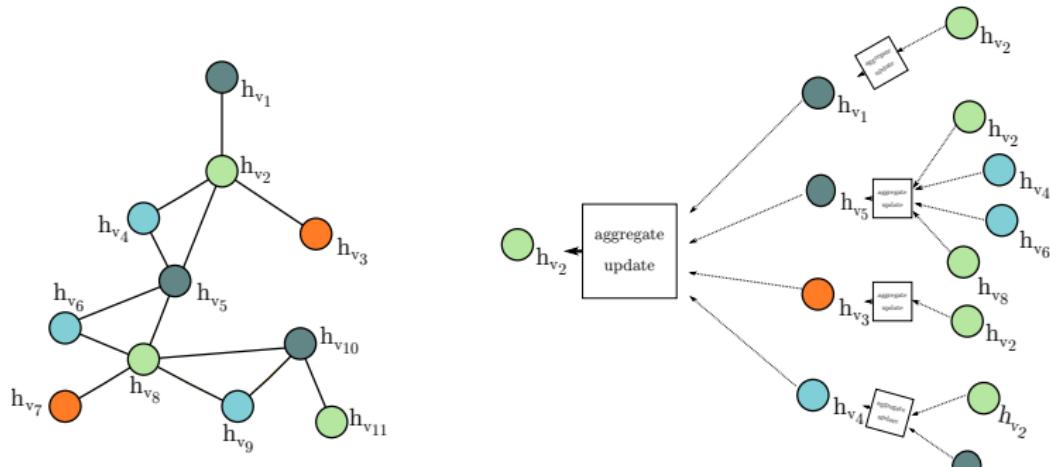


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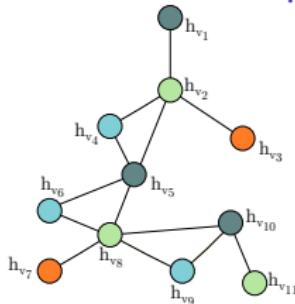
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- Adding GNN layers allows to take into account a wider neighborhood
- $K$  layers capture information from a  $K$ -hop neighborhood
- Fun Fact : the computation graph is based on the processed graph



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## Message Passing Neural Networks : implementation tricks

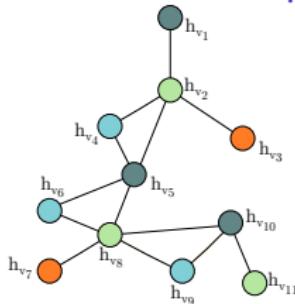


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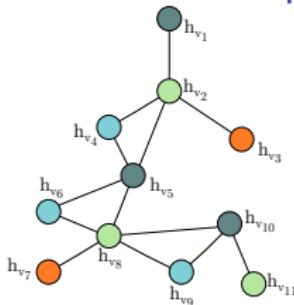
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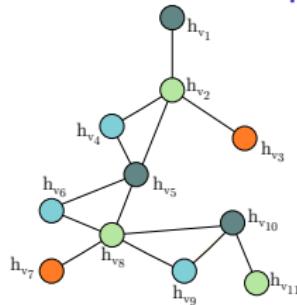
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# Spatial GNNs

## Message Passing Neural Networks : implementation tricks



$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{h}_{v_2}^{l+1} &= \sigma(\mathbf{h}_{v_2}^l \mathbf{W}_0^l + \mathbf{h}_{v_1}^l \mathbf{W}_1^l + \mathbf{h}_{v_3}^l \mathbf{W}_1^l + \mathbf{h}_{v_4}^l \mathbf{W}_1^l + \mathbf{h}_{v_5}^l \mathbf{W}_1^l) \\ &= \sigma(\mathbf{h}_{v_2}^l \mathbf{W}_0^l + \sum_{v_i \in \mathcal{N}(v_2)} \mathbf{h}_{v_i}^l \mathbf{W}_1^l)\end{aligned}$$

Written in a matrix form (using  $H$ ,  $I$ ,  $A$  and some learnable parameters matrices  $W$ ), it gives :

- Simplest way :  $\mathbf{H}^{l+1} = \sigma(\mathbf{A}\mathbf{H}^l\mathbf{W}^l)$
- Vanilla GNN :  $\mathbf{H}^{l+1} = \sigma(\mathbf{C}\mathbf{H}^l\mathbf{W}^l)$  with  $\mathbf{C} = \mathbf{I} + \mathbf{A}$
- General GNN :  $\mathbf{H}^{l+1} = \sigma(\sum_k \mathbf{C}_k \mathbf{H}^l \mathbf{W}_k^l)$  with  $\mathbf{C}_1 = \mathbf{I}$  and  $\mathbf{C}_2 = \mathbf{A}$

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Message Passing Neural Networks : old reference models

Some popular spatial GNN models :

- Graph Convolutional Network (GCN) [kipf2016semi] :

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

- Graph Attention Network (GAT) [velickovic2017graph] :

$$\mathbf{H}^{(l+1)} = \sigma((\mathbf{C}\mathbf{H}^{(l)}\mathbf{W}^{(l)}) + \mathbf{1}\mathbf{b}) \text{ with } \mathbf{C}_{ij} = \text{softmax}_j(\sigma([\mathbf{h}_i^{(l)}\mathbf{W}^{(l)} || \mathbf{h}_j^{(l)}\mathbf{W}^{(l)}])\mathbf{a})$$

- Graph Isomorphism Network (GIN) [xu2018how] :

$$\mathbf{h}_u^{(l+1)} = \text{MLP}((1 + \epsilon^{(l)}).\mathbf{h}_u^{(l)} + \sum_{v \in \mathcal{N}(u)} \mathbf{h}_v^{(l)})$$

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## Key ideas

Idea : The Convolution theorem says - "**There is a one-to-one bijection between convolution in spatial domain and Hadamard (element-wise) multiplication in Fourier domain and vice-versa**"

**Consequence** : To define convolution in the graphs domain, an idea is to project the graph in the Fourier domain, do a simple element-wise multiplication in Fourier domain and apply inverse Fourier transform to get back to spatial domain.

**Problem** : How to define the Fourier Transform in the graph domain ?

Something useful you may ignore : the complex exponential used in the FT are the eigenfunctions of the Laplace operator

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## Elements of Spectral Graph Theory

Tool : graph Laplacian  $\mathbf{L} = \mathbf{D} - \mathbf{A}$  or Normalized version

$$\mathbf{L} = \mathbf{I} - \mathbf{D}^{-\frac{1}{2}} \mathbf{A} \mathbf{D}^{-\frac{1}{2}}$$

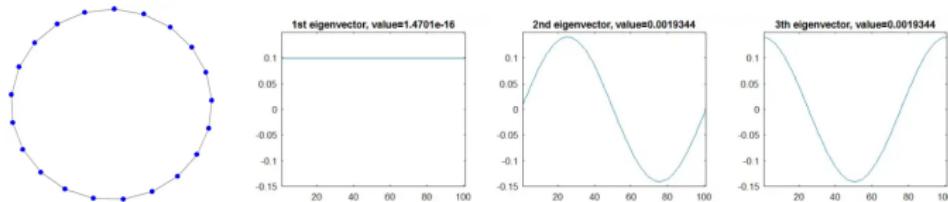
$\mathbf{L}$  is a real valued symmetric matrix  $\rightarrow$  it can be decomposed into :

$$\mathbf{L} = \mathbf{U} \cdot \text{diag}(\boldsymbol{\lambda}) \cdot \mathbf{U}^T$$

Side note : If  $u$  is one of the columns of  $U$  (i.e. an eigenvector of  $L$ ). Then :

$$u^T \mathbf{L} u = \lambda_u = \sum_{i < j, (i,j) \in E} (u(i) - u(j))^2$$

"Fun" fact : let's plot the eigenvectors of a simple "ring" graph :



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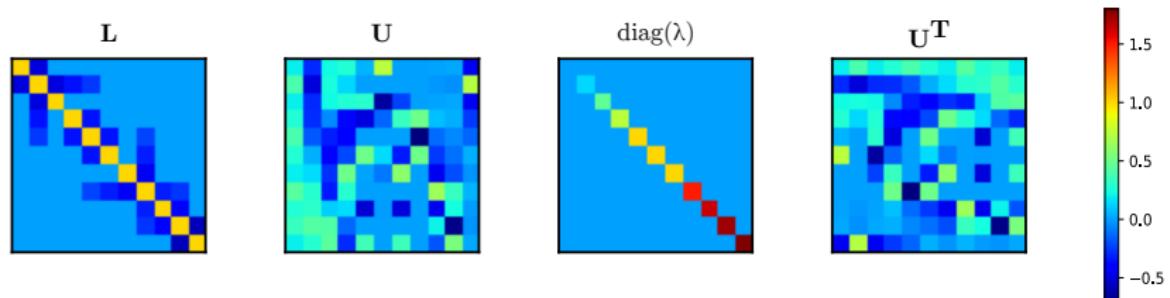
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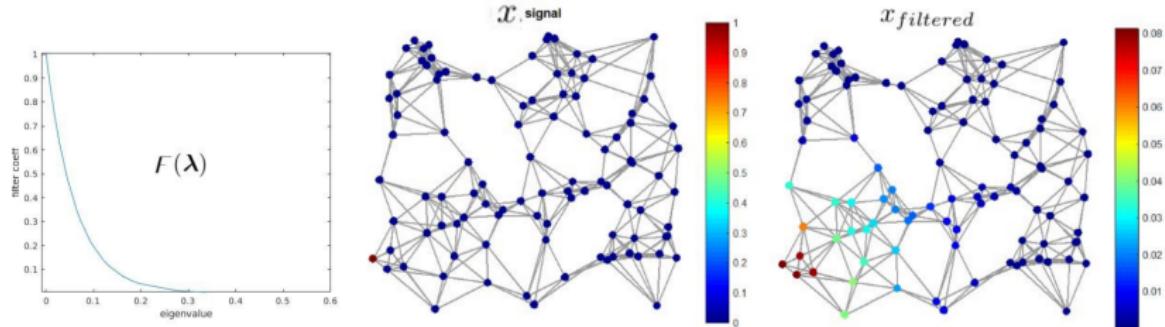
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## Effect of filtering



## Principle of non parametric spectral GNNs

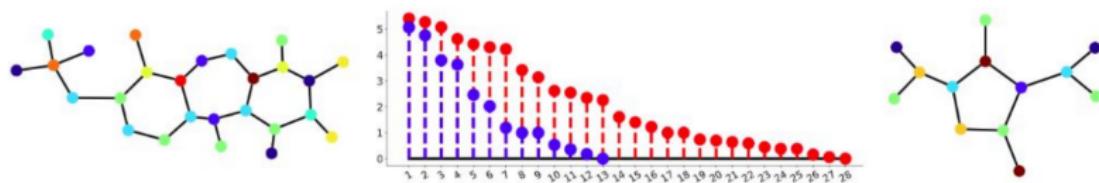
Learn the function  $F(\lambda)$ , i.e. the weights  $F^{(I,j)} \in \mathbb{R}^{(n \times f_I)}$  used in :

$$H_j^{(I+1)} = \sigma \left( \sum_{i=1}^{f_I} U \operatorname{diag}(F_i^{(I,j)}) U^T H_i^{(I)} \right)$$

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## Problem when learning $F(\lambda)$

- For multi-graph tasks : variable size of eigenvectors and variable eigenvalues



Solution : Parameterized functions of  $\lambda$  :

Idea :  $F_i^{(l,j)} = B [W_{i,j}^{(l,1)}, \dots, W_{i,j}^{(l,s_e)}]^T$  with  $B \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times s_e}$  and  $B_{i,j} = \varphi_j(\lambda_i)$

- polynomial :  $\varphi_j(\lambda_i) = \lambda_i^j$
- Chebyshev  $\rightarrow$  ChebNet
- Cayley  $\rightarrow$  CayleyNet

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# Bridging the Gap between Spatial and Spectral

## Contribution of LITIS (ICLR 2021)

M. Balcilar shows that under specific conditions, both spatial and spectral approach can be expressed as :

$$H^{(I+1)} = \sigma\left(\sum_s C^{(s)} H^{(I)} W^{(I,s)}\right)$$

where  $C^{(s)} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  is the s-th convolution support

This framework also enables to compare the frequency profiles of different models using

$$\Phi_s(\lambda) = \text{diag}^{-1}(U^\top C^{(s)} U)$$

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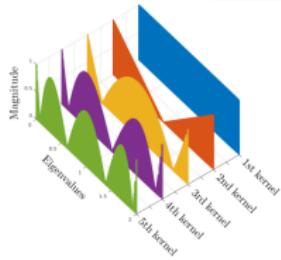
## Values of $C$ and $\Phi_s(\lambda)$ for different models

	Design	Support Type	Convolution Matrix	Frequency Response
MLP	Spectral	Fixed	$C = I$	$\Phi(\lambda) = \mathbf{1}$
GCN	Spatial	Fixed	$C = \tilde{D}^{-0.5} \tilde{A} \tilde{D}^{-0.5}$	$\Phi(\lambda) \approx \mathbf{1} - \lambda \bar{p}/(\bar{p} + 1)$
GIN	Spatial	Trainable	$C = A + (1 + \epsilon)I$	$\Phi(\lambda) \approx \bar{p} \left( \frac{1+\epsilon}{\bar{p}} + \mathbf{1} - \lambda \right)$
GAT	Spatial	Trainable	$C_{v,u}^{(s)} = e_{v,u} / \sum_{k \in \mathcal{N}(v)} e_{v,k}$ $C^{(1)} = I$	NA $\Phi_1(\lambda) = \mathbf{1}$
CayleyNet	Spectral	Trainable	$C^{(2r)} = Re(\rho(hL)^r)$	$\Phi_{2r}(\lambda) = \cos(r\theta(h\lambda))$
			$C^{(2r+1)} = Re(\mathbf{i}\rho(hL)^r)$	$\Phi_{2r+1}(\lambda) = -\sin(r\theta(h\lambda))$
			$C^{(1)} = I$	$\Phi_1(\lambda) = \mathbf{1}$
ChebNet	Spectral	Fixed	$C^{(2)} = 2L/\lambda_{\max} - I$	$\Phi_2(\lambda) = 2\lambda/\lambda_{\max} - \mathbf{1}$
			$C^{(s)} = 2C^{(2)}C^{(s-1)} - C^{(s-2)}$	$\Phi_s(\lambda) = 2\Phi_2(\lambda)\Phi_{s-1}(\lambda) - \Phi_{s-2}(\lambda)$

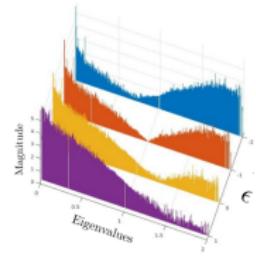
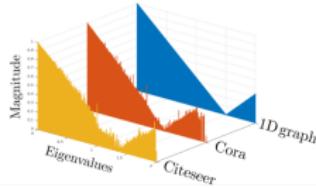
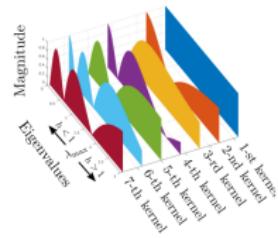
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## Frequency response for different models

ChebNet and CayleyNet Freq. Res.



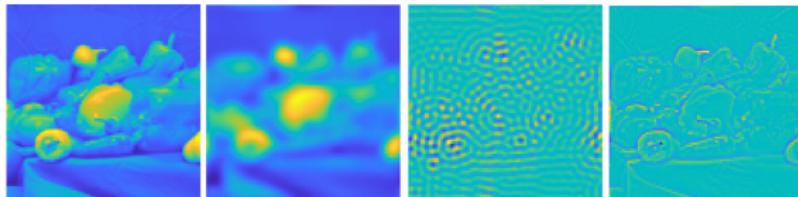
GCN and GIN Freq. Res.



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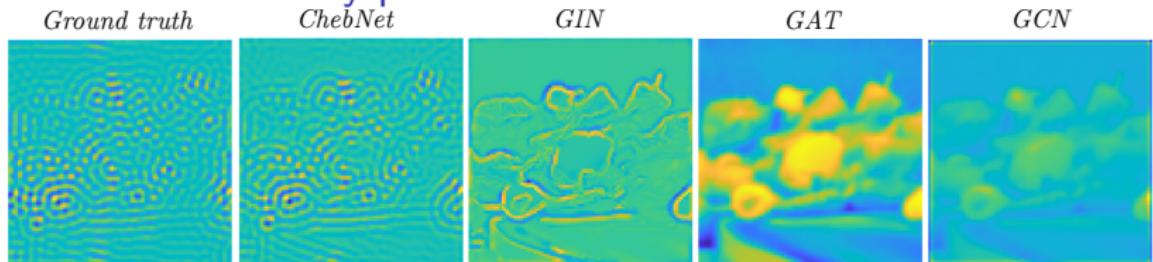
## Illustration on a toy problem

- An input image is filtered with low, band and high pass filter
- Images are converted into a grid
- Inputs and outputs are the pixel intensity



# Bridging the Gap between Spatial and Spectral

## Illustration on a toy problem



Prediction Target	GCN	GIN	GAT	ChebNet
Low-pass filter ( $\Phi_1$ )	15.55	11.01	10.50	3.44
Band-pass filter ( $\Phi_2$ )	79.72	63.24	79.68	17.30
High-pass filter ( $\Phi_3$ )	29.51	14.27	29.10	2.04

Results given in sum square error (Lower is better)

# Conclusion about this introduction on GNNs

## Advantages of Spatial GNNs

- Quick and simple
- Edge attributes can be included

## Limitations of Spatial GNNs

- Are not able to produce bandpass filtering

## Advantages of Spectral GNNs

- Able to produce bandpass filtering

## Limitations of Spectral GNNs

- Computation of the eigen decomposition is heavy
- Edge attribute can not be included
- Transferability problem of filter learned of eigenvalues

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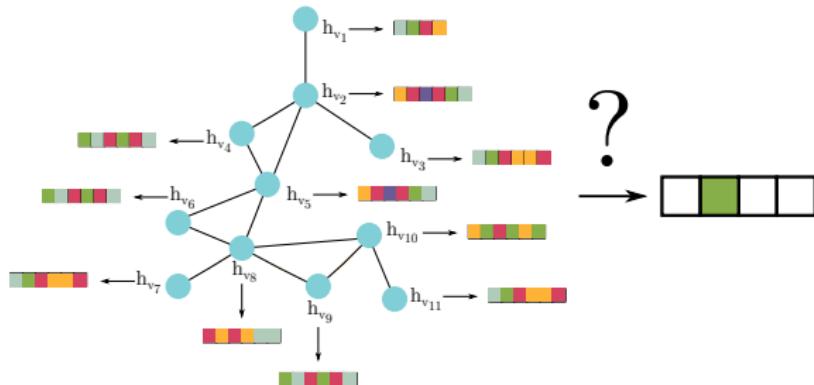
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# Graph Level Prediction

## The problem

- GNNs compute nodes embedding
- Need to reduce to a fixed size vector for graph level prediction
- 3 different strategies have emerged



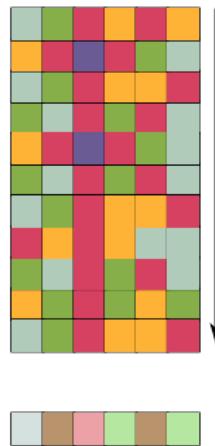
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## Readout functions

Compute a fixed size vector as a function of the node embedding

Some examples of readout functions :

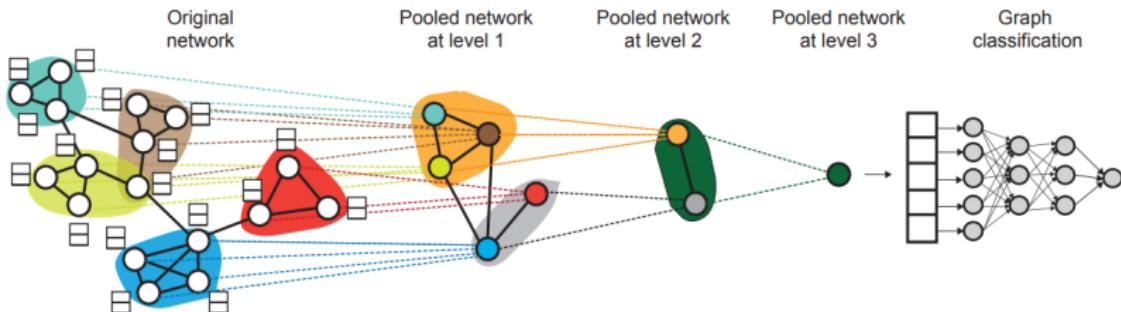
- mean
- max
- sum
- weighted sum
- covariance



# Graph Level Prediction

## Graph Pooling

- Global pooling methods : pool each node embedding into one single node (similar to readout functions)
- Hierarchical pooling methods : compute intermediate graphs which are passed in the following layer.

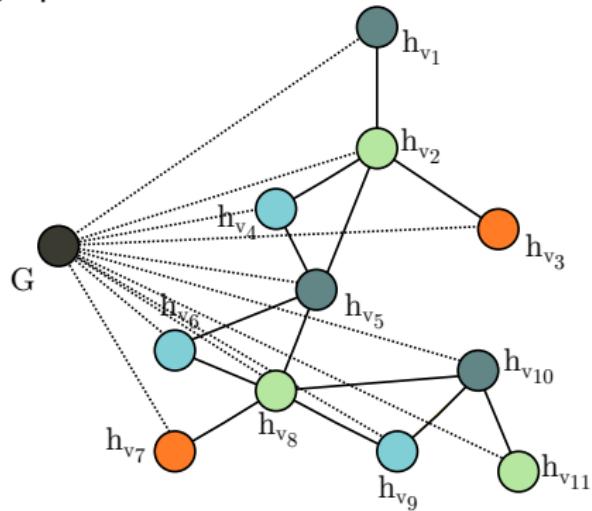
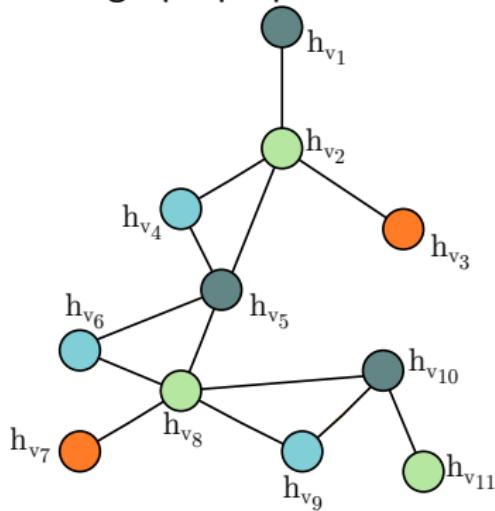


[ying2018hierarchical]

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## Fully connected node

Add a fully connected node corresponding to the graph itself  
Predict graph properties on the graph's node



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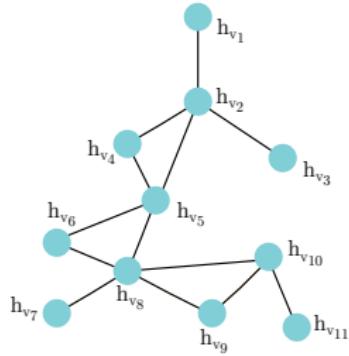
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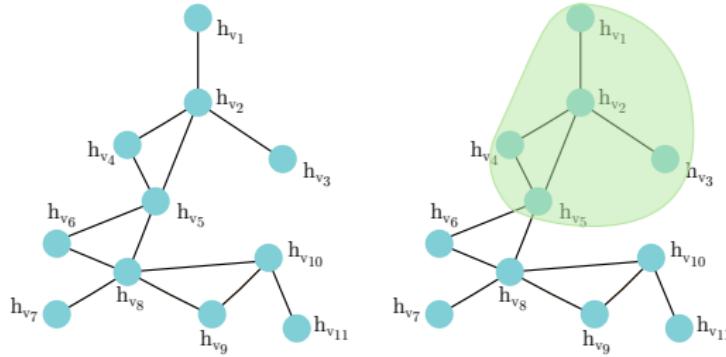
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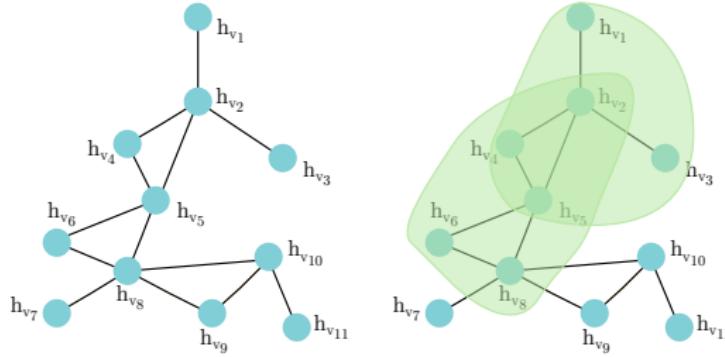
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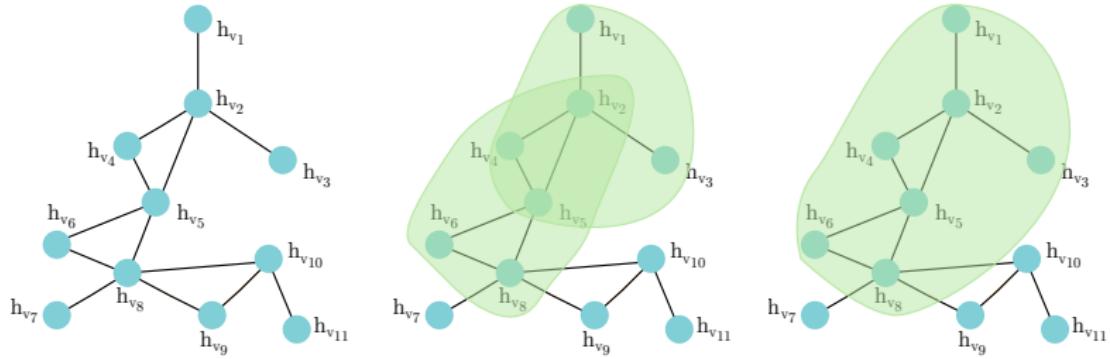
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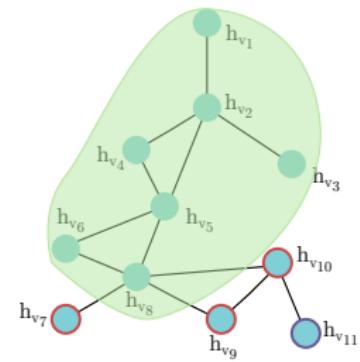
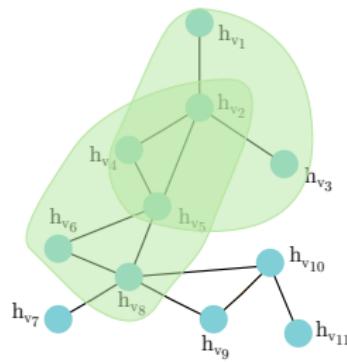
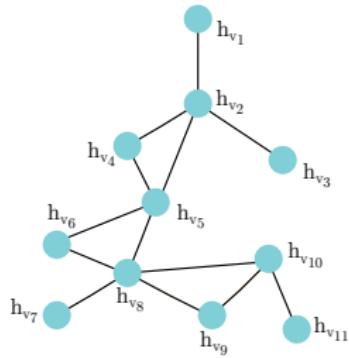
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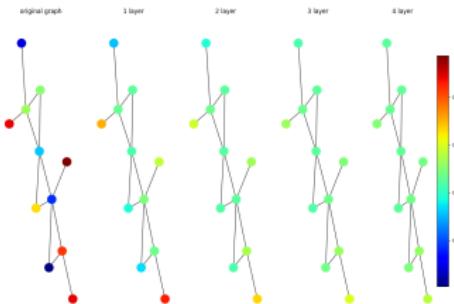
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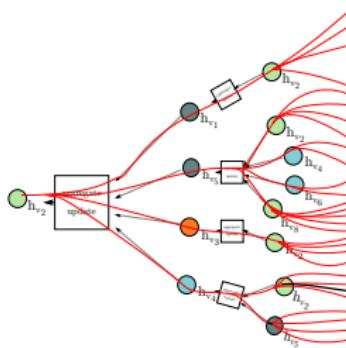
- Most GNNs are known to be limited to low-pass filtering.
- The effects of stacking low pass filters over images are well-known.
- The same effects appears with graphs.



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## Problem statement : Over-Squashing

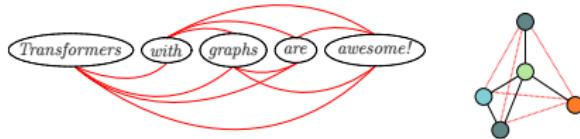
- Dimensionality of computed nodes hidden states at layer  $K$  has to be big enough to capture nodes information at radius  $K$
- Receptive fields grows exponentially, while GNNs compress information into fixed-size vectors.



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A recent solution to these problems

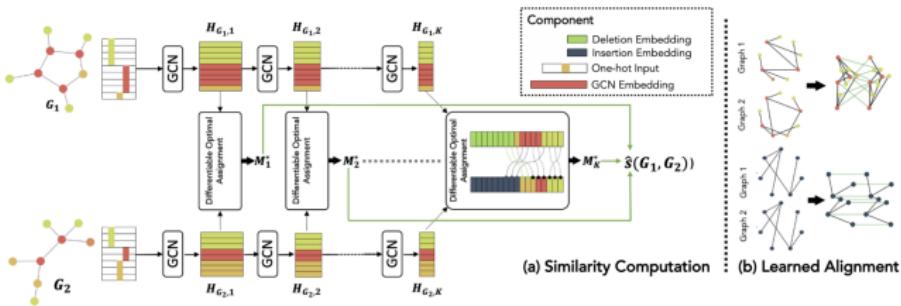
- Previous limitations mostly come from the relation between receptive fields and the number of layers
- One way to increase the receptive fields would be through fully connected graphs
- Many recent works study the use of transformers with graph neural network with different ideas (e.g. positionnal encoding)



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## How using GNN's for learning to compute graph metrics

- We saw that for computing GED, a key problem is to include the graph structure in the node similarities
- Can GNNs be useful for this task ?
- Aldo will talk you about this exciting subject next week !



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Problem statement : how to qualify GNNs expressive power ?

- MLP are known to be universal approximator
- What are the representation properties of GNNs ?
- Two ways are explored for characterizing "structural" expressive power :
  - distinguishing non-isomorphic graphs (relation with WL test)
  - counting substructures.
- For the "signal" aspect, spectral properties are used
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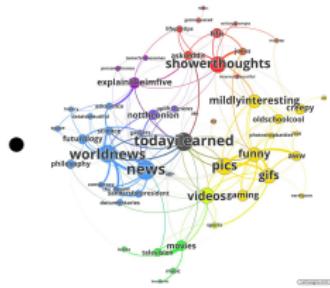
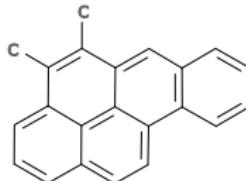
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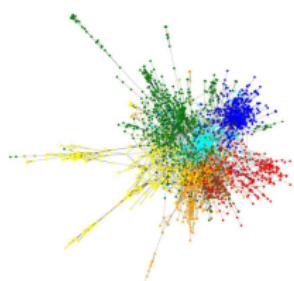
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- **Graph Classification/Regression**  
Molecules dataset : QM9, TOX, HIV.



## Inductive Node tion/Regression Reddit, PPI

- **Transductive Node Classification/Regression**  
Citation Dataset : Cora, Citeseer, PubMed



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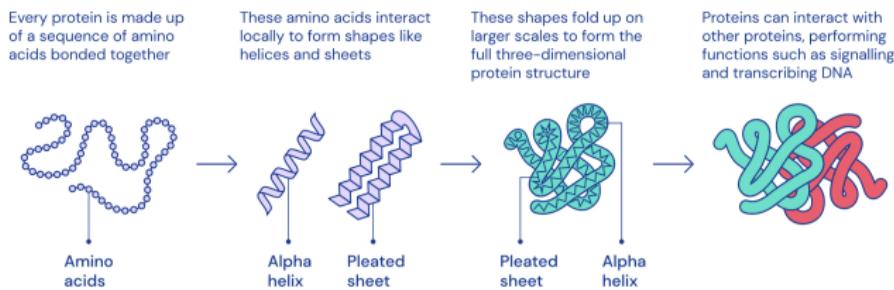
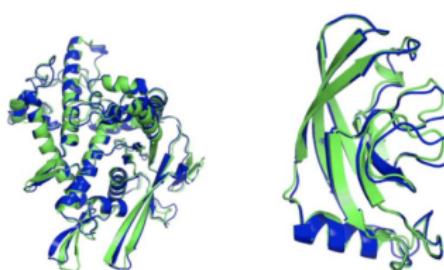


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90.7 GDT  
(RNA polymerase domain)

T1049 / 6y4f  
93.3 GDT  
(adhesin tip)

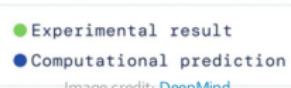


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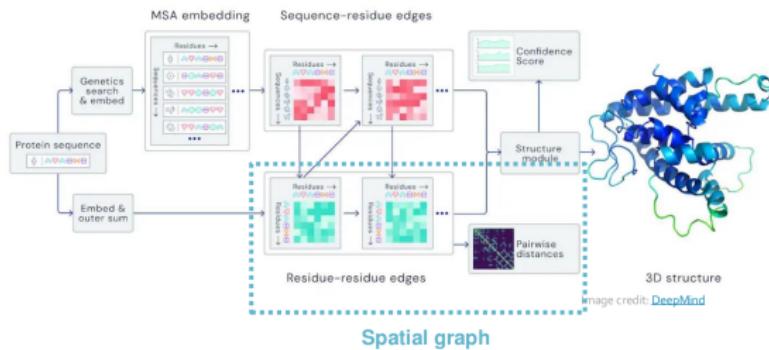


**AlphaFold's AI could change the world of biological science as we know it**

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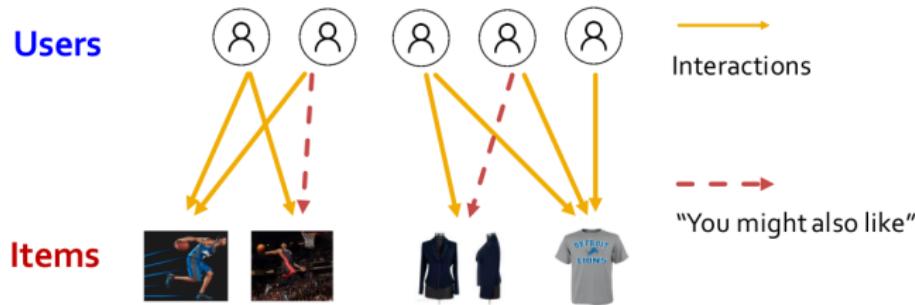
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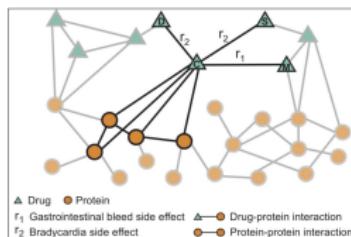


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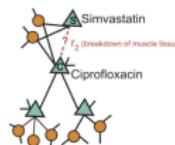
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- Biomedical link prediction :
  - nodes represent drugs and proteins, edges give interactions
  - Machine learning task : given a pair of drugs, predict adverse side effects

- **Nodes:** Drugs & Proteins
- **Edges:** Interactions



**Query:** How likely will Simvastatin and Ciprofloxacin, when taken together, break down muscle tissue?



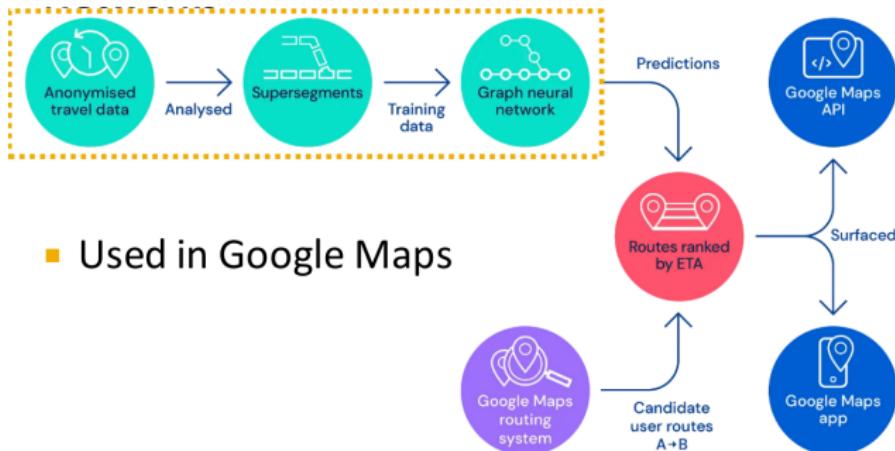
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THE MODEL ARCHITECTURE FOR DETERMINING OPTIMAL ROUTES AND THEIR TRAVEL TIME.

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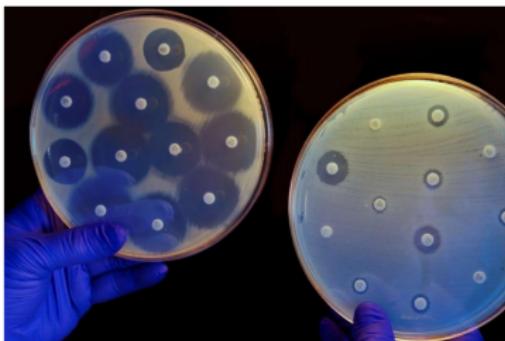
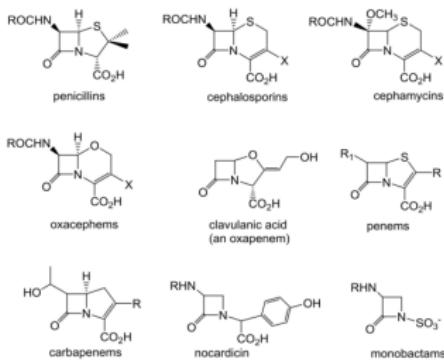


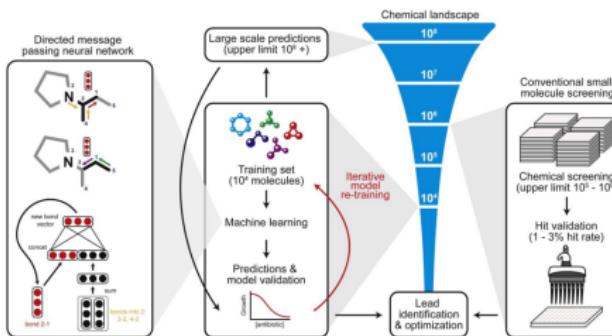
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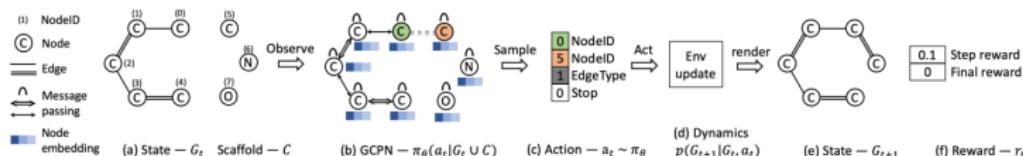
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**Use case 1:** Generate novel molecules with high Drug likeness value



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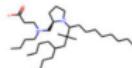


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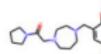
**Use case 2:** Optimize existing molecules to have desirable properties



-8.32



-0.71



-5.55



-1.78



0.941

Drug likeness



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## Case of dynamic graphs

- Nodes = Particles
- Edges = Interaction between particles
- Machine learning task : Predict how a graph will evolve

