

# Preliminaries

## DropEdge

- Novel method to **reduce over-fitting** for GCN-based models (Rong et al. 2019).
- Randomly drops out edges from input graphs to generate different deformed copies with certain rate at each training epoch.
  - This method augments the **randomness** and the **diversity** of input data.
- Formally, suppose the total number of edges in the graph  $\mathbf{A}$  is  $N_e$ , and the dropping rate is  $p$ 
  - $\mathbf{A}' = \mathbf{A} - \mathbf{A}_{drop}$ : adjacency matrix after DropEdge
  - $\mathbf{A}_{drop}$  is constructed using  $N_e \times p$  edges randomly sampled from the original edge set.

# Methodology

## Bi-GCN Rumor Detection Model

