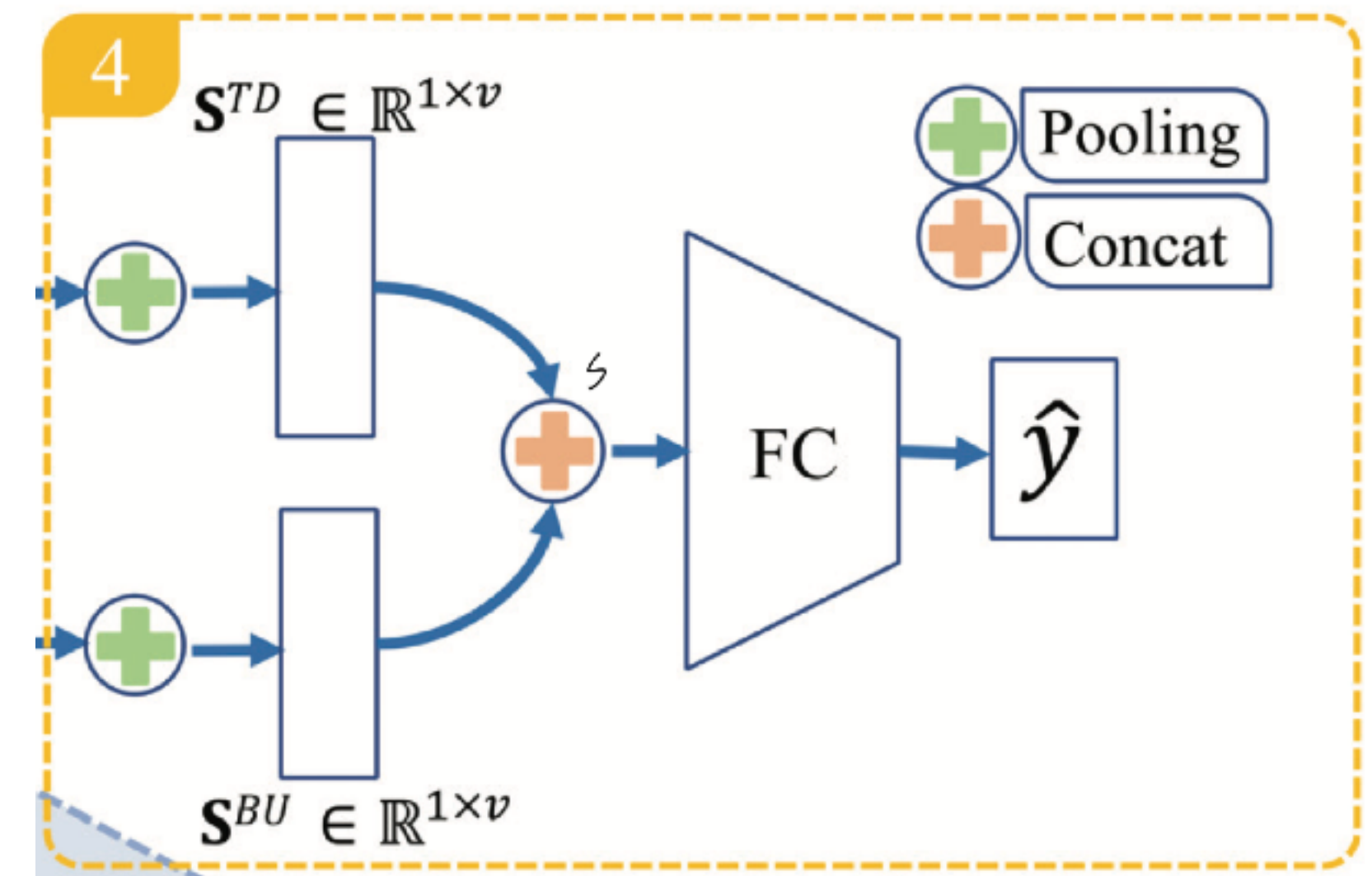
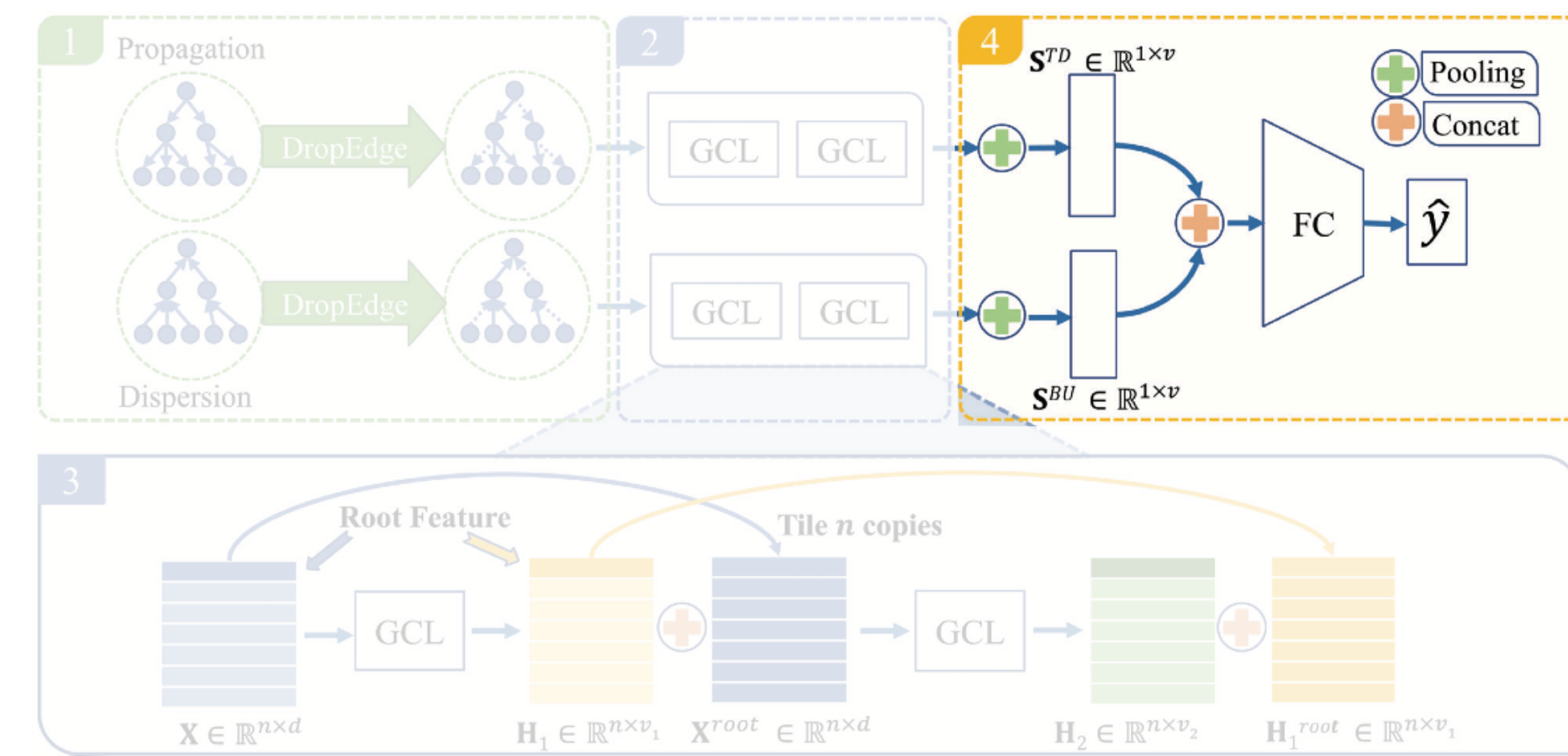


Methodology

Representations of Propagation and Dispersion for Rumor Classification

- Employ **mean-pooling** operators to **aggregate information** from these two sets of the node representations.
- $$\mathbf{S}^{TD} = \text{MEAN}(\tilde{\mathbf{H}}_2^{TD}), \mathbf{S}^{BU} = \text{MEAN}(\tilde{\mathbf{H}}_2^{BU})$$
- Then **concatenate the representations** of propagation and dispersion to merge the information as
 - $$\mathbf{S} = \text{concat}(\mathbf{S}^{TD}, \mathbf{S}^{BU})$$
- Finally the label of the event \mathbf{y} is calculated via several **fully connected layers** and **softmax layer**:
 - $$\mathbf{y} = \text{Softmax}(\text{FC}(\mathbf{S}))$$



Methodology

Optimizing

- Train all the parameters in the Bi-GCN model by minimizing the **cross-entropy** of the predictions and ground truth distributions, Y , over all events, C .
- **L_2 regularizer** is applied in the loss function over all model parameters.

