



# Network Intrusion Detection using GNNs

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# Previous Work

XAI based approaches -

- Local Interpretable Model Agnostic Explanation (LIME)
- SHAP Values

# “Why Should I Trust You?”

## Explaining the Predictions of Any Classifier

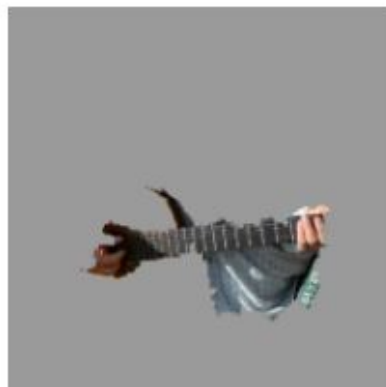
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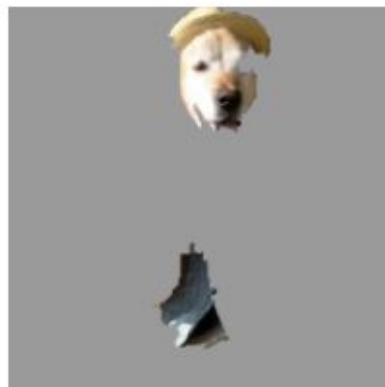
(a) Original Image



(b) Explaining *Electric guitar*



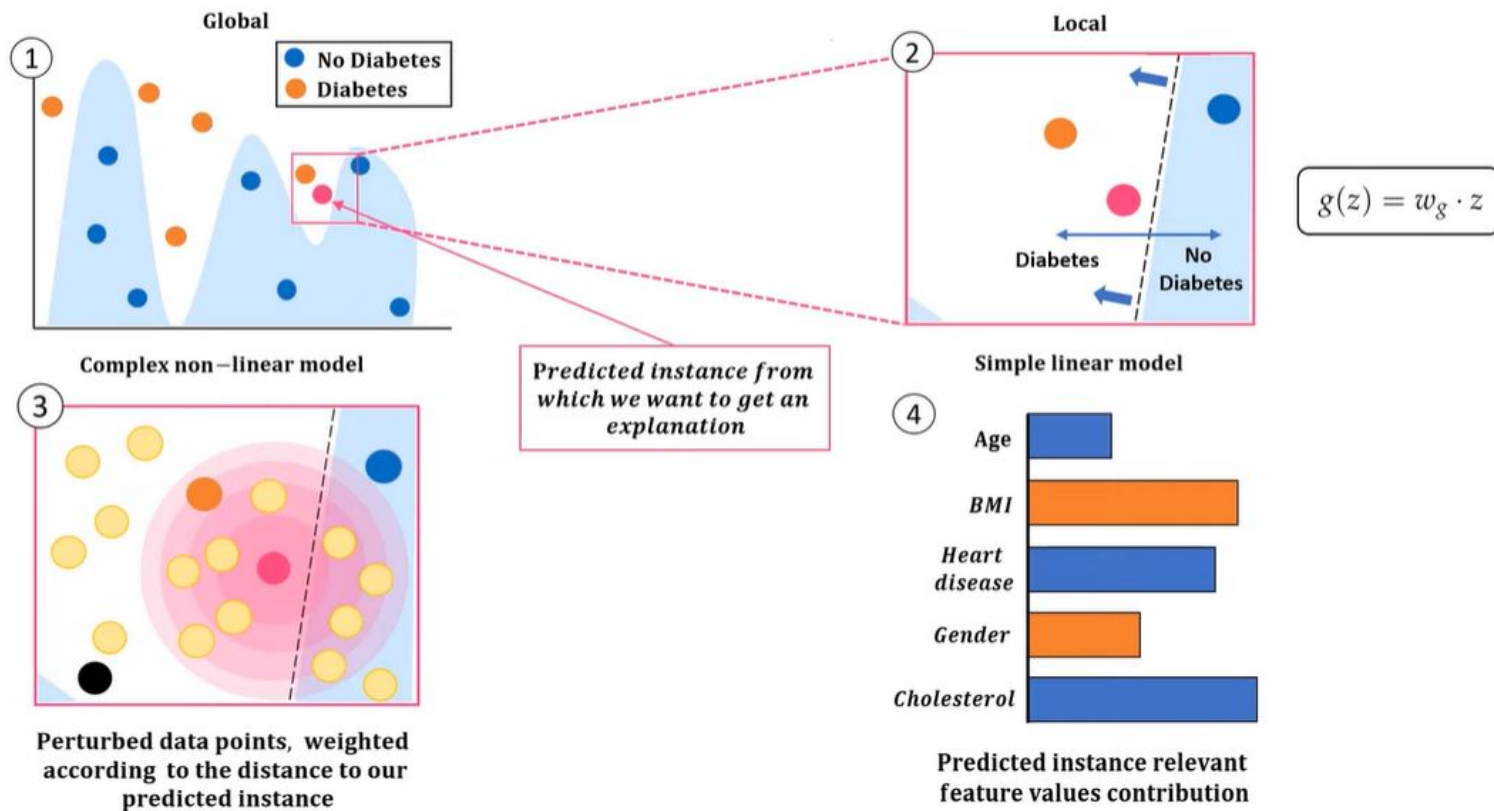
(c) Explaining *Acoustic guitar*



(d) Explaining *Labrador*

**Figure 4: Explaining an image classification prediction made by Google’s Inception neural network. The top 3 classes predicted are “Electric Guitar” ( $p = 0.32$ ), “Acoustic guitar” ( $p = 0.24$ ) and “Labrador” ( $p = 0.21$ )**

# LIME step by step



# Calculating shapley values

Blackbox model

Input datapoint

Age

Shapley value for feature i

Subset

Simplified data input

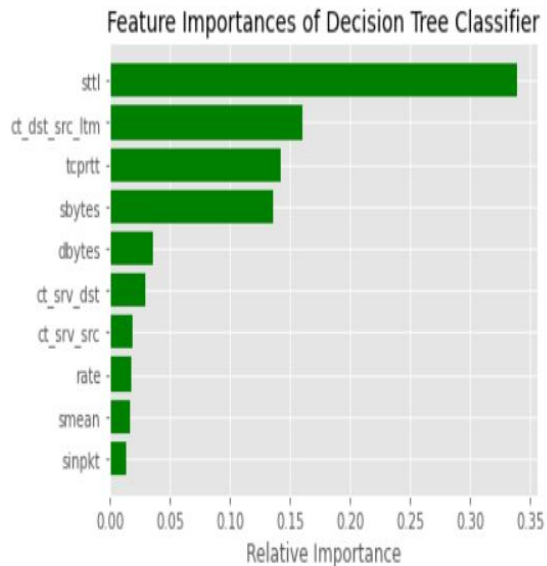
Weighting

Contribution

$$\phi_i(f, x) = \sum_{z' \subseteq x'} \frac{|z'|!(M - |z'| - 1)!}{M!} [f_x(z') - f_x(z' \setminus i)]$$

# Previous Model Results

## Decision Tree



Accuracy: 0.8510901614568184

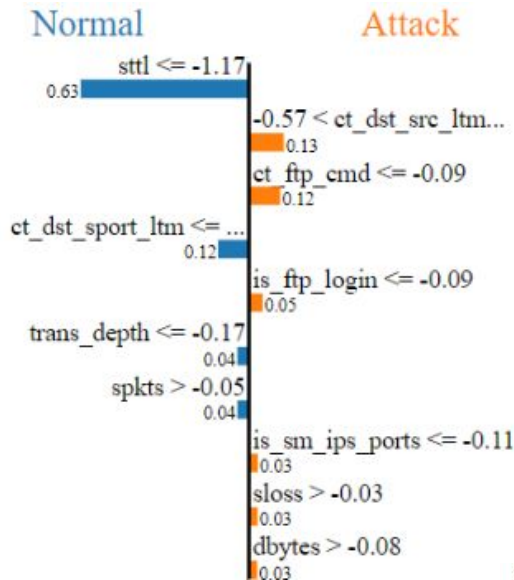
Reporting for ['Decision Tree Classifier', 'RegLog']:

	precision	recall	f1-score	support
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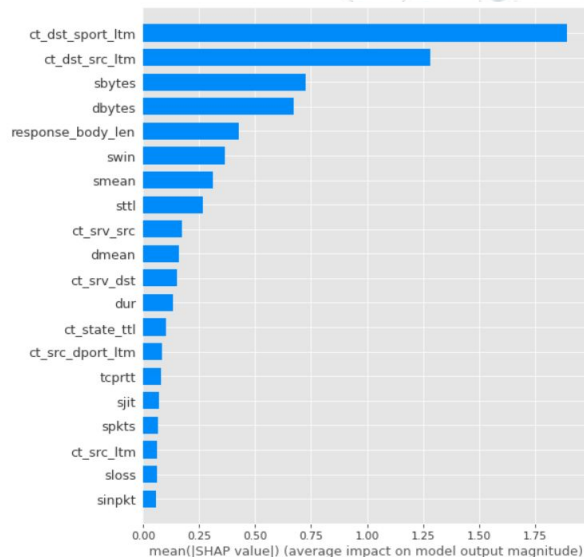
0	0.69	0.98	0.81	56000
1	0.99	0.79	0.88	119341

accuracy			0.85	175341
macro avg	0.84	0.88	0.84	175341
weighted avg	0.89	0.85	0.86	175341

## MLP

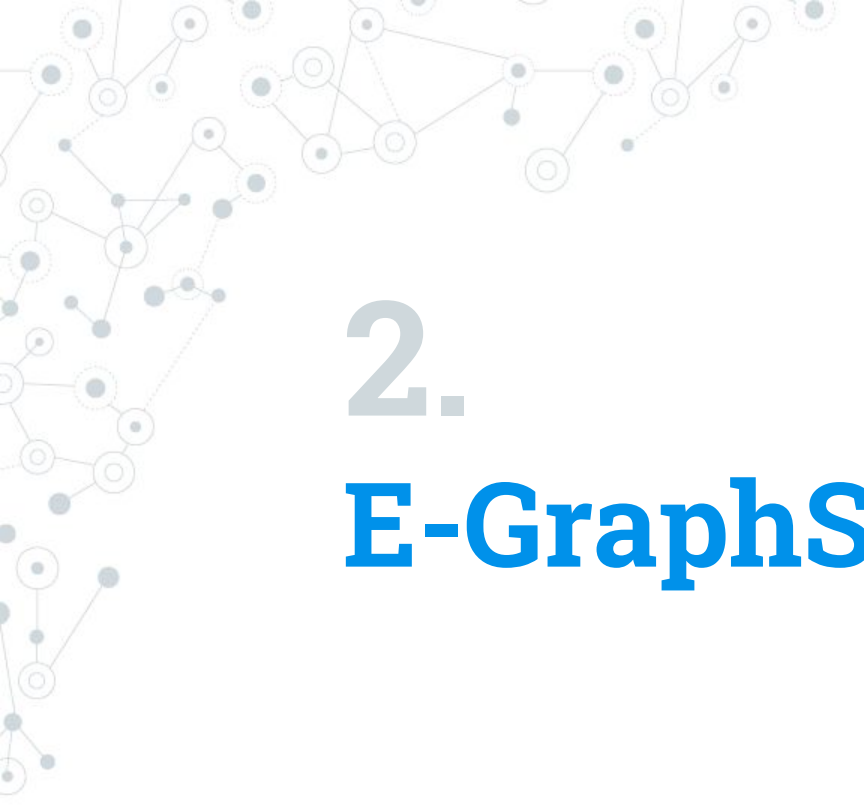


## XGBoost



Classification Report:

	precision	recall	f1-score	support
0	0.74	0.92	0.82	56000
1	0.96	0.85	0.90	119341
accuracy			0.87	175341
macro avg	0.85	0.89	0.86	175341
weighted avg	0.89	0.87	0.88	175341

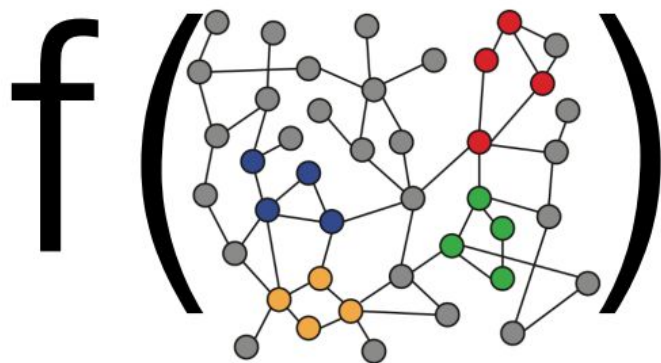


## 2. **E-GraphSAGE**



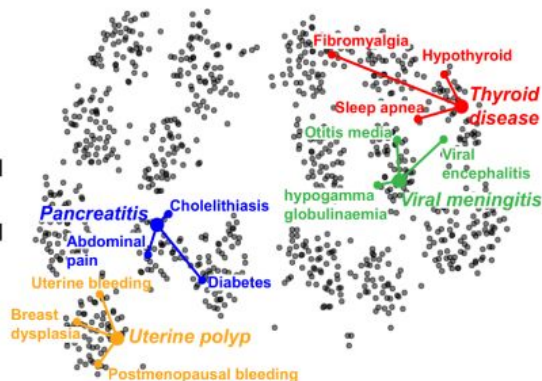
# Node Embeddings

- **Intuition:** Map nodes to  $d$ -dimensional embeddings such that similar nodes in the graph are embedded close together



Input graph

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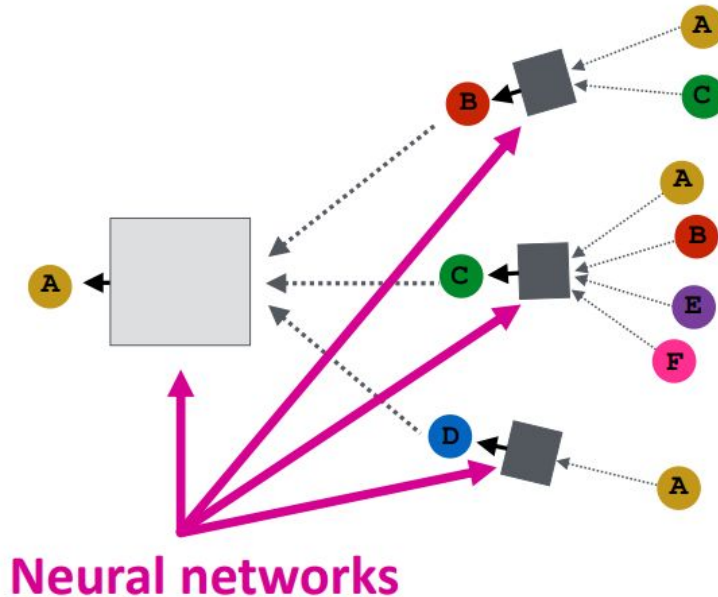
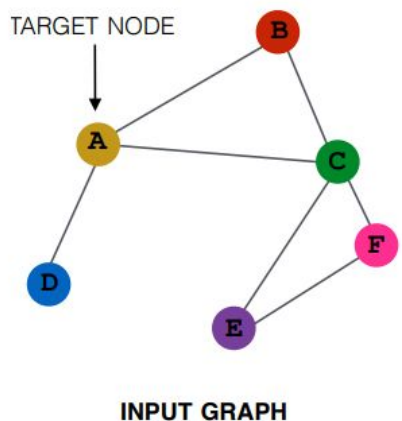
2D node embeddings

How to learn mapping function  $f$ ?



## Idea: Aggregate Neighbours

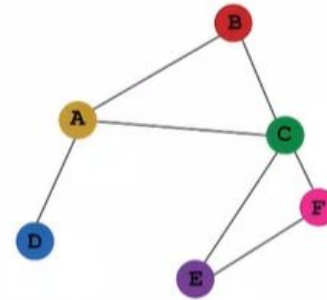
- **Intuition:** Nodes aggregate information from their neighbors using neural networks



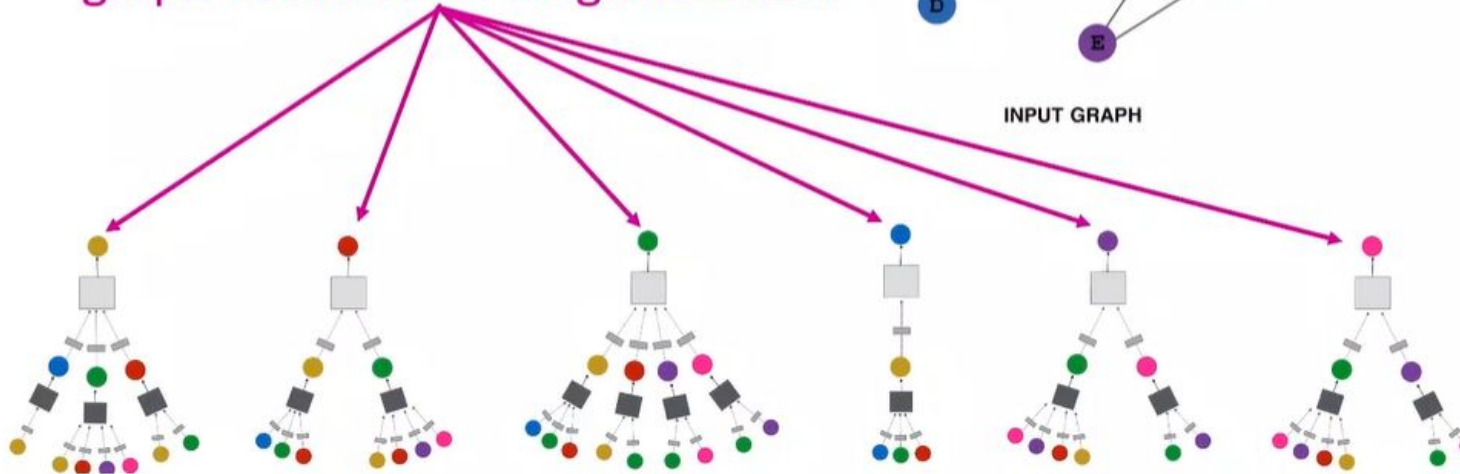
# Idea: Aggregate Neighbours

- **Intuition:** Network neighborhood defines a computation graph

Every node defines a computation graph based on its neighborhood!

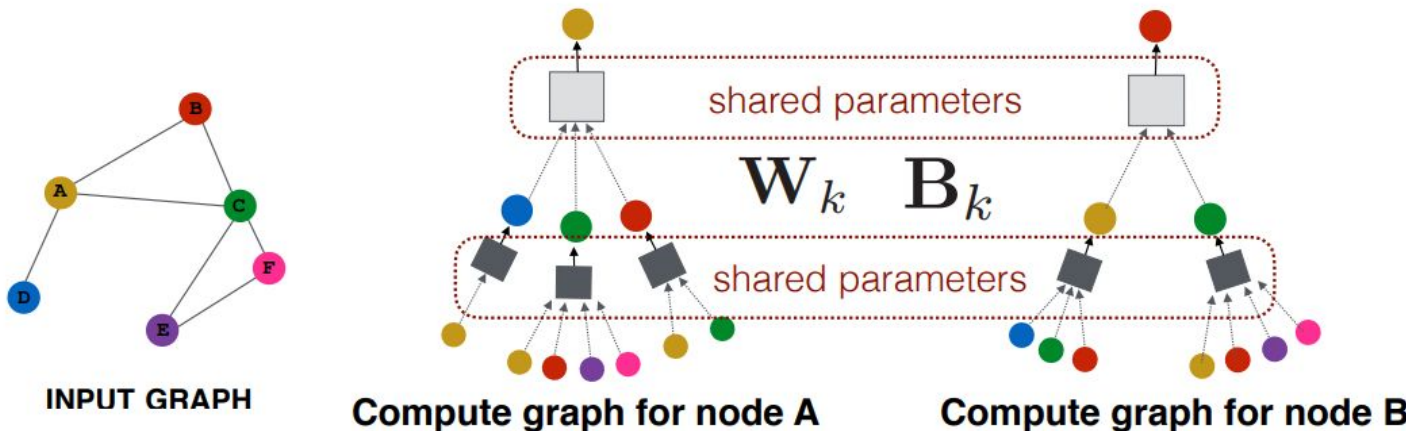


INPUT GRAPH



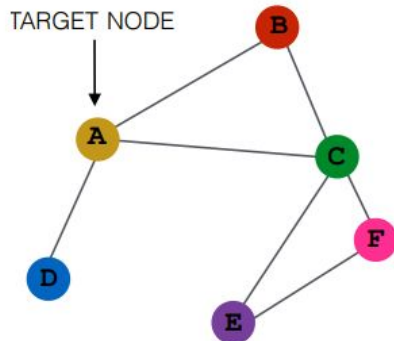
# Inductive Capability

- The same aggregation parameters are shared for all nodes:
  - The number of model parameters is sublinear in  $|V|$  and we can **generalize to unseen nodes!**

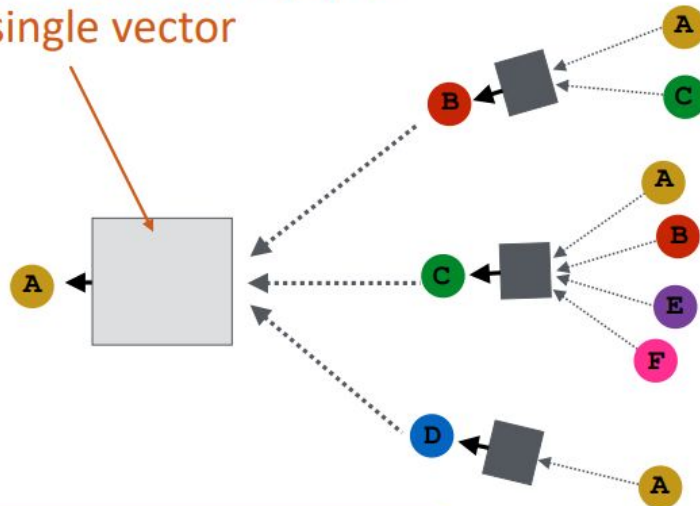


# GraphSAGE Idea

Any differentiable function that maps set of vectors in  $N(u)$  to a single vector



INPUT GRAPH



$$\mathbf{h}_v^k = \sigma \left( \left[ \mathbf{A}_k \cdot \text{AGG}(\{\mathbf{h}_u^{k-1}, \forall u \in N(v)\}), \mathbf{B}_k \mathbf{h}_v^{k-1} \right] \right)$$

Apply L2 normalization for each node embedding at every layer

# Neighbourhood Aggregation

- Simple neighborhood aggregation:

$$\mathbf{h}_v^k = \sigma \left( \mathbf{W}_k \sum_{u \in N(v)} \frac{\mathbf{h}_u^{k-1}}{|N(v)|} + \mathbf{B}_k \mathbf{h}_v^{k-1} \right)$$

- GraphSAGE:

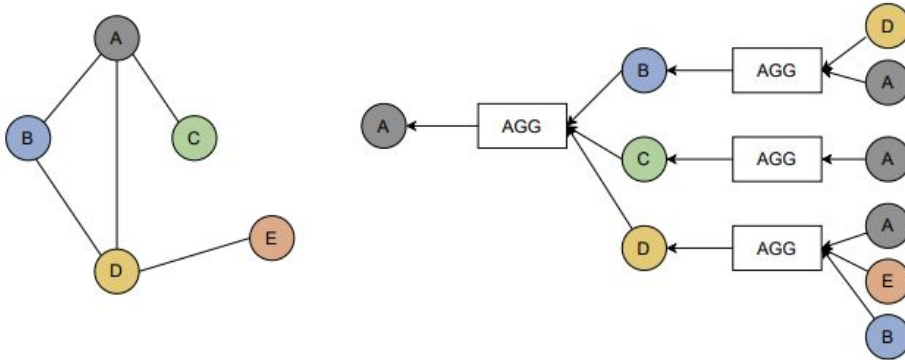
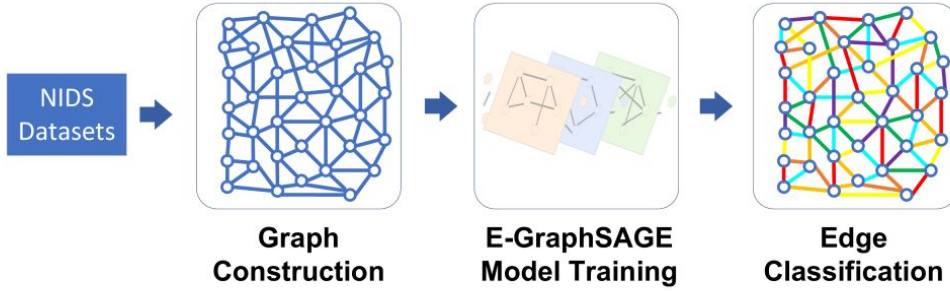
Concatenate neighbor embedding  
and self embedding

$$\mathbf{h}_v^k = \sigma \left( \left[ \mathbf{W}_k \cdot \text{AGG} \left( \{ \mathbf{h}_u^{k-1}, \forall u \in N(v) \} \right), \mathbf{B}_k \mathbf{h}_v^{k-1} \right] \right)$$

Generalized aggregation



# E-GraphSAGE



## Algorithm 1: E-GraphSAGE edge embedding

**input :** Graph  $\mathcal{G}(\mathcal{V}, \mathcal{E})$ ;  
input edge features  $\{\mathbf{e}_{uv}, \forall uv \in \mathcal{E}\}$ ;  
input node features  $\mathbf{x}_v = \{1, \dots, 1\}$ ;  
depth  $K$ ;  
weight matrices  $\mathbf{W}^k, \forall k \in \{1, \dots, K\}$ ;  
non-linearity  $\sigma$ ;  
differentiable aggregator functions  $AGG_k$  ;

**output:** Edge embeddings  $\mathbf{z}_{uv}, \forall uv \in \mathcal{E}$

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1   $\mathbf{h}_v^0 \leftarrow \mathbf{x}_v, \forall v \in \mathcal{V}$ 
2  for  $k \leftarrow 1$  to  $K$  do
3    for  $v \in \mathcal{V}$  do
4       $\mathbf{h}_{\mathcal{N}(v)}^k \leftarrow AGG_k \left( \left\{ \mathbf{e}_{uv}^{k-1}, \forall u \in \mathcal{N}(v), uv \in \mathcal{E} \right\} \right)$ 
5       $\mathbf{h}_v^k \leftarrow \sigma \left( \mathbf{W}^k \cdot \text{CONCAT} \left( \mathbf{h}_v^{k-1}, \mathbf{h}_{\mathcal{N}(v)}^k \right) \right)$ 
6   $\mathbf{z}_v = \mathbf{h}_v^K$ 
7  for  $uv \in \mathcal{E}$  do
8     $\mathbf{z}_{uv}^K \leftarrow \text{CONCAT}(\mathbf{z}_u^K, \mathbf{z}_v^K)$ 

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# Model Parameters

- **Network Graph Construction**

- BoT-IoT dataset with 6 types of attacks
- <Source\_IP || Source\_Port, Dest\_IP || Dest\_Port>

- **E-GraphSAGE Training**

- 2 Layered NN i.e. 2-hop neighbourhood
- AGG function used is element-wise Mean

$$\mathbf{h}_{\mathcal{N}(v)}^k = \sum_{\substack{u \in \mathcal{N}(v), \\ uv \in \mathcal{E}}} \frac{\mathbf{e}_{uv}^{k-1}}{|N(v)|_e}$$

- **Edge Classification**

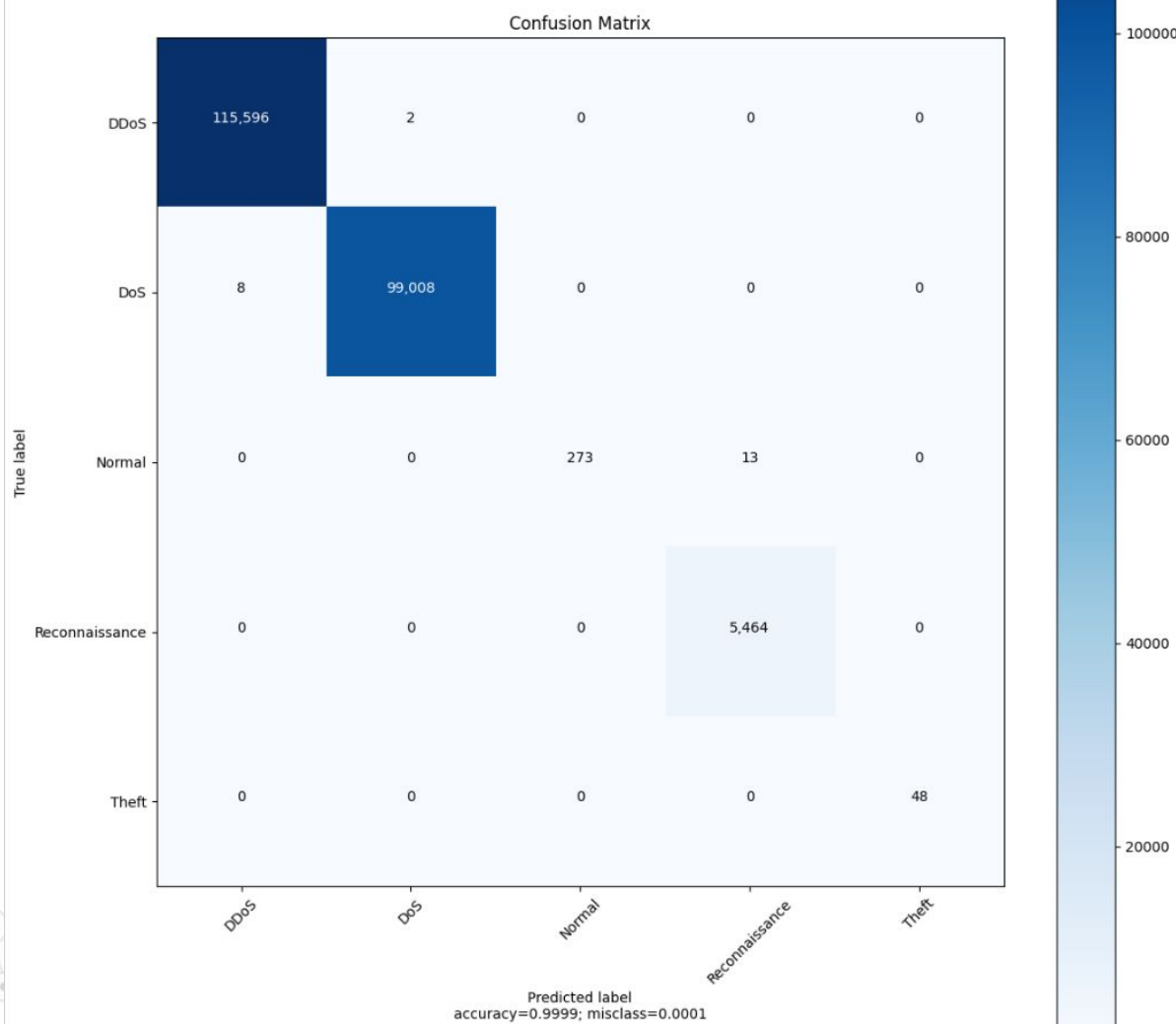
- Test samples passed to get edge embeddings
- Converted to class probabilities in final softmax layer
- Tested against true labels

A decorative network diagram in the top-left corner, featuring a complex web of interconnected nodes and lines. The nodes are represented by small circles, some of which are larger and have concentric circles, suggesting different levels of connectivity or importance. The lines are thin and gray, creating a mesh-like structure.

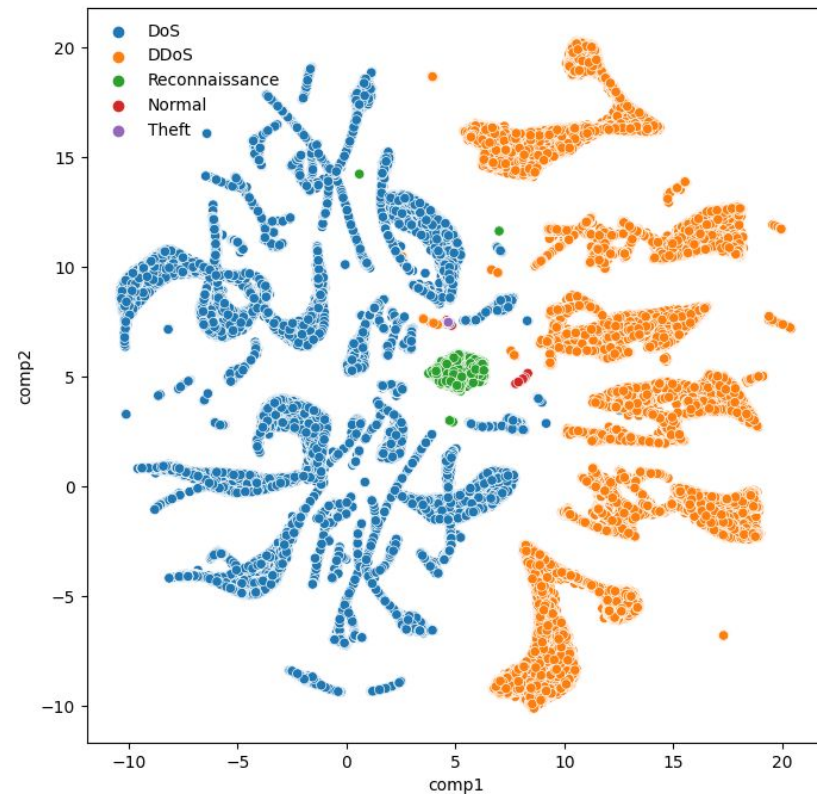
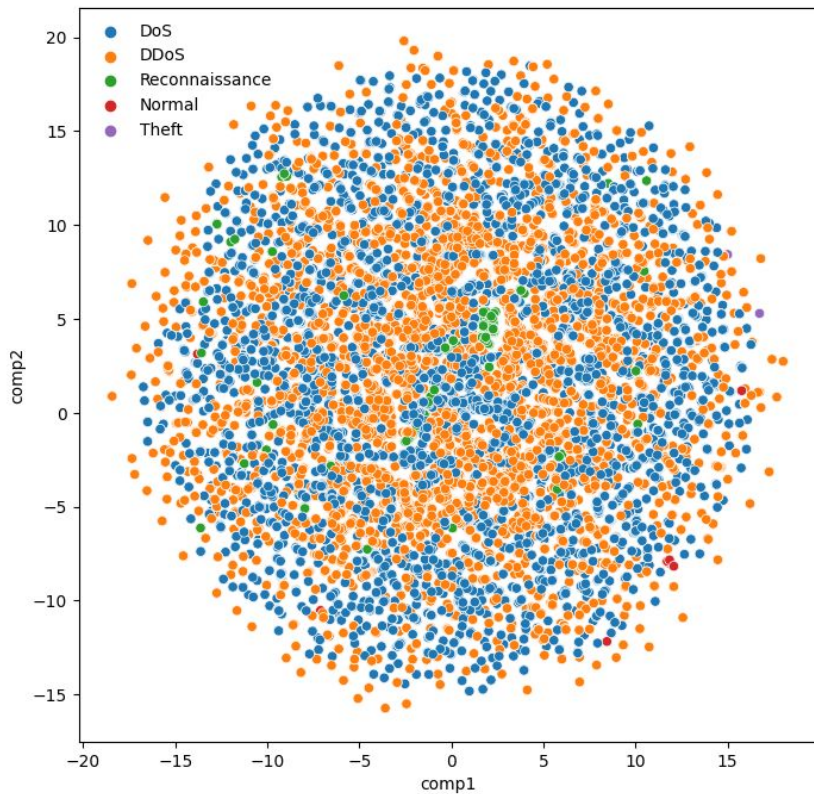
# 3. Results

## Classification Report on Test Set

	precision	recall	f1-score	support
DDoS	0.9999	1.0000	1.0000	115598
DoS	1.0000	0.9999	0.9999	99016
Normal	1.0000	0.9545	0.9767	286
Reconnaissance	0.9976	1.0000	0.9988	5464
Theft	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	48
accuracy			0.9999	220412
macro avg	0.9995	0.9909	0.9951	220412
weighted avg	0.9999	0.9999	0.9999	220412



# Dimension Reduction using UMAP



A decorative network diagram in the top-left corner, featuring a complex web of interconnected nodes and lines. The nodes are represented by small circles, some of which are larger and have concentric circles, suggesting a hierarchical or multi-layered structure. The lines are thin and gray, connecting the nodes in a non-linear fashion.

# 4. **Future Work**



## Conclusions and Future Scope

- Experimental evaluation based on Bot-IoT NIDS benchmark datasets shows that E-GraphSAGE-based NIDS performs **exceptionally well** and overall **outperforms** the state-of-the-art ML-based classifiers.
- More work could be done to apply neighbourhood sampling techniques to **improve the run-time** of the E-GraphSAGE model, particularly exploring **non-uniform** sampling techniques.
- But How to combine **XAI** (previous work) based and **GNN** (current work) based approaches?

### My Implementation

<https://colab.research.google.com/drive/1kbc6hofWrtZj0-Ms9LO--wnNegScSYD1?usp=sharing>

# GNNExplainer: Generating Explanations for Graph Neural Networks

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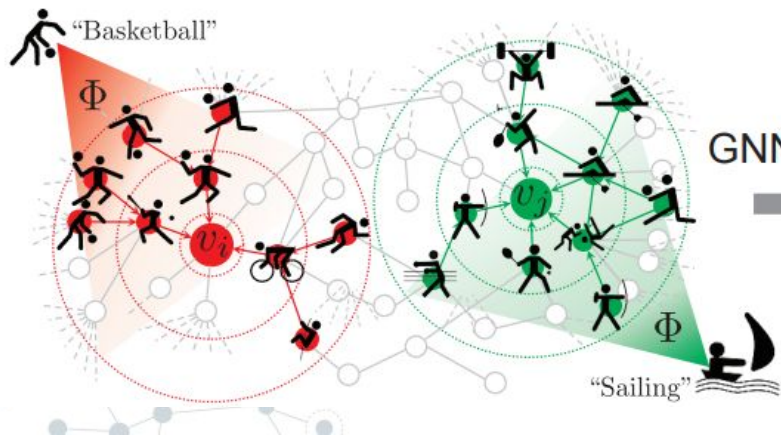
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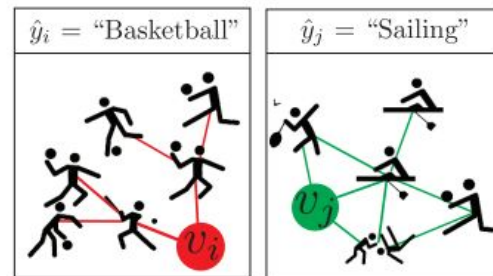
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GNN model training and predictions



Explaining GNN's predictions



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# Thank You!