

## Appendix A. Method Supplement

### A.1 Mathematical Notations

Symbol	Description
$\mathcal{O}$	Occupation set;
$\mathcal{S}$	Skill set;
$o$	An occupation, $o \in \mathcal{O}$ ;
$s$	A skill, $s \in \mathcal{S}$ ;
$t$	The timestamp;
$\mathcal{P}^t$	Job description set at timestamp $t$ ;
$\Delta t$	The number of timestamps for pre-training;
$\mathcal{R}^t$	The skill demand of occupation at timestamp $t$ ;
$\mathcal{G}^t$	The OSD graph at timestamp $t$ ;
$\mathcal{V}$	The node set of occupations and skills, $\mathcal{V} = \mathcal{O} \cup \mathcal{S}$ ;
$\mathcal{E}^t$	The edge set of $\mathcal{G}^t$ ;
$A^t$	The weight adjacency matrix of $\mathcal{G}^t$ ;
$e^t$	An edge in $\mathcal{G}^t$ , $e^t \in \mathcal{E}^t$ ;
$E$	The primary embeddings of occupations and skills;
$Z$	The bias cross-attention enhanced embeddings of occupations and skills;
$B^{bias}$	The learnable bias in bias cross-attention;
$\mu^t$	The mean in the Gaussian distribution generated by the encoder at timestamp $t$ ;
$\sigma^t$	The variance in the Gaussian distribution generated by the encoder at timestamp $t$ ;
$\phi^t$	The mean in the Gaussian distribution of temporal features at timestamp $t$ ;
$\delta^t$	The variance in the Gaussian distribution of temporal features at timestamp $t$ ;
$H^t$	The latent variable generated by the Gaussian distribution ( $\mu^t, \sigma^t$ ) at timestamp $t$ ;
$A^a$	The learnable graph in adaptive temporal encoding unit;
$\alpha^t$	The stable term of temporal features;
$\beta^t$	The trend term of temporal features;
$\omega^t$	The evolved trend term of temporal features.

Table S1: Mathematical Notations.

### A.2 Algorithm Procedure

In this paper, we designed a novel algorithm to implement the edge prediction problem on dynamic graphs. In order to make our algorithm procedure easier to understand, the pseudocode for the training pipeline of pre-training and fine-tuning is available in Algorithm 1.

### A.3 Discussion on Advantages of PEFT

In the realm of dynamic graph learning, traditional research has predominantly focused on spatio-temporal forecasting for nodes and dynamic link prediction. Rarely have efforts been directed toward resolving issues about edge regression within dynamic graphs.

Our approach deviated by leveraging past dynamic graph sequences to forecast forthcoming changes in the overall

#### Algorithm 1: Training Procedure.

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**Input:** Given a training dataset with a job description set sequence  $(\mathcal{P}^1, \mathcal{P}^2, \dots, \mathcal{P}^T)$ , and the devised model **DyGAE** with initial parameters  $\Theta$ .

**Output:** The **DyGAE** for OSD forecasting with optimal parameters  $\Theta^*$ .

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1 Function PRE-TRAINING(GAE,  $\mathcal{P}^0$ ):
2    $\Theta_{GAE} \leftarrow$  Parameters of GAE for pre-training;
3   Construct Graph  $\mathcal{G}^0$  based on  $\mathcal{P}^0$ ;
4   Initial  $E$  with Bert and  $P^0$  by Eq.1;
5   while not convergence do
6      $\mu^0, \sigma^0 \leftarrow$  Encoder Outputs,  $H^0 \sim (\mu^0, \sigma^0)$ ;
7      $P^E, \hat{\mathcal{R}}^0 \leftarrow$  Decoder Outputs;
8     compute the loss  $\mathcal{L}_{GAE}^0$  by Eq.10;
9     update  $\Theta_{GAE}$  using  $\nabla_{\Theta} (\mathcal{L}_{GAE}^0)$ ;
10  end
11  return The optimal  $\Theta_{GAE}^*$ ,  $\mu^0, \sigma^0$ ;
12 end
13 Function ATU-OPT(ATU,  $\mathcal{G}^t, t$ ):
14   $\Theta_{ATU}^t \leftarrow$  Parameters of ATU at timestamp  $t$ ;
15  while not convergence do
16     $\phi^t, \delta^t \leftarrow$  ATU outputs;
17     $\mu^t = \mu^0 + \phi^t, \sigma^t = \sigma^0 + \delta^t, H^t \sim (\mu^t, \sigma^t)$ ;
18     $P^{E^t}, \hat{\mathcal{R}}^t \leftarrow$  Decoder Outputs;
19    compute the loss  $\mathcal{L}_{GAE}^t$  by Eq.10 with  $H^t$  as the
      input of decoders and  $\mathcal{G}^t$  as the target graph;
20    compute the loss  $\mathcal{L}_{trend}^t$  by Eq.13;
21     $\mathcal{L}_{tem}^t = \lambda_{trend} \mathcal{L}_{trend}^t + \mathcal{L}_{GAE}^t$ ;
22    update  $\Theta_{ATU}^t$  using  $\nabla_{\Theta} (\mathcal{L}_{tem}^t)$ ;
23  end
24  return The optimal  $\Theta_{ATU}^t$ ,  $\phi^t, \delta^t$ ;
25 end
26 Function TSM-OPT(TSM,  $(\phi^{\Delta t+1}, \phi^{\Delta t+2}, \dots, \phi^T)$ ):
27   $\Theta_{TSM} \leftarrow$  Parameters of TSM;
28  while not convergence do
29    for  $t \in [\Delta t + 1, T]$  do
30       $\alpha^t = \text{FC}_8(\phi^t), \beta^t = \text{FC}_9(\phi^t)$ ;
31       $\omega^t = \text{MLP}(\beta^t)$ ;
32       $\hat{\phi}^t = \alpha^t + \beta^t, \hat{\phi}^{t+1} = \alpha^t + \omega^t$ ;
33    end
34    compute the loss  $\mathcal{L}_{shift}$ ;
35    update  $\Theta_{TSM}$  using  $\nabla_{\Theta} (\mathcal{L}_{shift})$ ;
36  end
37  return The optimal  $\Theta_{TSM}^*$ ;
38 end
39 Procedure TRAIN(DyGAE,  $(\mathcal{P}^1, \mathcal{P}^2, \dots, \mathcal{P}^T)$ ):
40   $(\mathcal{P}^0, \mathcal{P}^{\Delta t+1}, \dots, \mathcal{P}^T) \leftarrow$  Reconstruct  $\{\mathcal{P}^t | t \in [1, T]\}$ ;
41  The DyGAE consists of the backbone GAE, the
    adaptive temporal coding unit ATU, and the temporal
    shift module TSM;
42  Construct Graph  $\mathcal{G}^0$  based on  $\mathcal{P}^0$ ;
43   $\Theta_{GAE}^*, \mu^0, \sigma^0 = \text{PRE-TRAINING}(\text{GAE}, \mathcal{G}^0)$ ;
44  for  $t \in [\Delta t + 1, T]$  do
45    Construct Graph  $\mathcal{G}^t$  based on  $\mathcal{P}^t$ ;
46     $\Theta_{ATU}^t, \phi^t, \delta^t = \text{ATU-OPT}(\text{ATU}, \mathcal{G}^t, t)$ ;
47  end
48   $\Theta_{TSM}^* = \text{TSM-OPT}(\text{TSM}, (\phi^{\Delta t+1}, \phi^{\Delta t+2}, \dots, \phi^T))$ ;
49   $\Theta^* = \Theta_{GAE}^* + \sum_{t \in [\Delta t+1, T]} \Theta_{ATU}^t + \Theta_{TSM}^*$ ;
50  return DyGAE with optimal parameters  $\Theta^*$ ;
51 end

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Date	Dai	Fin	IT	Man
2020/01-06	3,806,127	1,494,318	1,500,300	964,823
2020/07-12	8,015,781	2,567,487	2,675,593	2,044,281
2021/01-06	9,168,875	2,936,613	3,662,220	1,913,414
2021/07-12	13,042,287	3,970,267	4,999,137	3,640,062
2022/01-06	12,503,386	4,102,521	5,531,762	3,167,375
2022/07-12	11,541,187	3,492,851	5,264,994	2,572,476
2023/01-06	11,655,335	3,368,295	3,838,109	3,276,155
2023/07-12	12,610,429	3,236,394	4,522,106	3,766,562

Table S2: # of JDs in each timestamp on Daily (Dai), Finance (Fin), IT, and Manufacturing (Man) datasets.

Data	Dai	Fin	IT	Man
# of occupations	244	93	193	155

Table S3: # of occupations of Daily (Dai), Finance (Fin), IT, and Manufacturing (Man) datasets.

graph structure. This not only entails predicting edge existence but also involves forecasting specific edge weights. To address this, our model must adeptly capture the evolving trends in dynamic graph sequences and, crucially, discern the correlations between graph nodes. Consequently, we introduced a pre-training and parameter-efficient fine-tuning paradigm, enabling the model to discern stable node correlations and adapt to the latest trend changes. This comprehensive approach facilitated the joint prediction of future edge existence and weights.

The utilization of PEFT was motivated by the necessity to avoid rendering the model incapable of maintaining stable representations through full fine-tuning. Instead, our approach exclusively focused on evolving temporal characteristics, enabling the model to adeptly capture the dynamic evolution of representations over time. This approach disentangled the representation, enhancing the model’s ability to perceive temporal dynamics comprehensively. Simultaneously, it optimized the efficiency of model training.

## Appendix B. More Details on Experiment Settings and Results

### B.1 Data Description

In this study, we have collected JDs from four distinct industries: Daily, Finance, IT, and Manufacturing.

- **Daily:** The Daily dataset predominantly encompasses occupations related to daily life, such as store managers, Chinese chefs, and custodial staff.
- **Finance:** The Finance dataset includes some securities brokers, fund managers, and other occupations closely related to the financial industry.
- **IT:** The IT dataset contains occupations vital to the realms of Artificial Intelligence, Internet technology, and hardware development like algorithm engineers, data annotators, and JAVA developers.
- **Manufacturing:** The Manufacturing dataset comprises a spectrum of traditional industrial occupations, including material engineers, welding engineers, and electromechanical engineers.

The quantities of JDs and occupational categories within the datasets are presented in Table S2 and Table S3, respectively. It is noteworthy that all datasets were characterized by a common skill set comprising 1030 skills.

### B.2 More Implementation Details

The experiments utilized PyTorch-1.13.1 on a single A800 GPU. We employed the Adam optimizer with an initial learning rate of 0.0001 during both the pre-training and fine-tuning stages. The hyperparameters  $\lambda_{null}$ ,  $\lambda_{con}$ ,  $\lambda_{rg}$ ,  $\lambda_{rank}$ ,  $\lambda_{trend}$ ,  $\lambda_{re}$ ,  $\lambda_{ne}$ , and  $\lambda_{com}$  were set to 1, 0.05, 100, 0.1, 1, 1, 1, and 1, respectively. During the pre-training phase, GAE underwent training for 1000 epochs. Subsequently, in the adaptive temporal unit optimization, fine-tuning was performed for 1000 epochs. In the optimization of the temporal shift module, fine-tuning spanned 500 epochs. To ensure robustness, all experiments were conducted with a repetition of 4 trials.

### B.3 Baseline Descriptions and Implement Details

To validate the accurate OSD forecasting, we selected several dynamic graph learning methods and divided them into three classes: Spatio-Temporal Forecasting, Dynamic Link Prediction, and Skill Demand Forecasting. \* indicates the suboptimal baselines, due to the uncompetitive performance and page limitation, we have not presented the corresponding experimental results in the Experiment Section, but in Table S4.

**Spatio-Temporal Forecasting** The spatio-temporal forecasting method bears close relevance to our problems. These baseline models also construct graph on the nodes and tackle regression prediction challenges amidst continuous temporal changes. Nevertheless, a key distinction lies in the traditional spatio-temporal forecasting’s emphasis on regressing nodes, whereas our study centers around the regression task involving edges. Consequently, we have adapted the baseline models to shift from a node regression task to an edge regression problem. We achieved these baselines based on the PyTorch Geometric Temporal<sup>1</sup>.

- **DCRNN** [Li *et al.*, 2018]: DCRNN employs bidirectional random walks on the graph to capture spatial dependencies, and an encoder-decoder architecture with scheduled sampling to model temporal dependencies.
- **GConvGRU\*** [Seo *et al.*, 2018]: The proposed model integrates convolutional neural networks (CNN) on graphs for identifying spatial structures and recurrent neural networks (RNN) to detect dynamic patterns. Two architectures, GConvGRU and GConvLSTM, are explored for the Graph Convolutional Recurrent Network (GCRN).
- **EvolveGCN\*** [Pareja *et al.*, 2019]: EvolveGCN addresses the challenges of weight learning and graph evolution at each timestamp. Two methods are introduced: EvolveGCNH, which learns the weight matrix of the graph at each time as a hidden state, and EvolveGCNO, which directly employs the weight evolution as a hidden state output, decoupled from node embedding.

<sup>1</sup>[https://github.com/benedekrozemberczki/pytorch\\_geometric\\_temporal.git](https://github.com/benedekrozemberczki/pytorch_geometric_temporal.git)

Data	Metric	GConvGRU	EvolveGCNH	EvolveGCNO	GCLSTM	MPNNLSTM	DHGM	Pre-DyGAE
Dai	AUC%↑	51.20±0.35	49.40±0.40	49.50±0.39	51.34±1.06	50.43±0.81	51.48±0.93	96.96±0.04
	Hits@1%↑	0.32±0.09	0.16±0.01	0.16±0.00	0.37±0.16	0.18±0.04	0.42±0.21	42.97±0.33
	MRR%↑	3.04±0.29	1.14±0.01	1.15±0.01	3.11±0.46	2.53±0.13	3.26±0.51	51.92±0.19
	EGM%↓	0.18±0.01	0.07±0.00	0.07±0.00	0.10±0.01	2.15±0.12	0.11±0.01	0.06±0.00
	MAE%↓	33.31±3.26	3.42±3.31	1.83±0.60	8.73±2.54	2378.55±123.06	10.69±2.97	0.30±0.01
	RMSE%↓	4.21±0.02	4.32±0.03	4.30±0.00	4.26±0.01	43.01±1.91	4.24±0.03	0.66±0.27
Fin	AUC%↑	51.73±0.78	48.62±1.71	49.36±0.43	51.55±0.51	50.48±0.66	51.71±1.41	96.16±0.09
	Hits@1%↑	0.41±0.14	0.15±0.04	0.17±0.01	0.49±0.03	0.22±0.06	0.57±0.10	48.59±0.34
	MRR%↑	3.54±0.43	1.36±0.15	1.43±0.04	3.76±0.20	2.91±0.19	4.06±0.13	57.89±0.37
	EGM%↓	0.27±0.02	0.13±0.01	0.12±0.00	0.18±0.03	2.51±0.32	0.23±0.04	0.09±0.02
	MAE%↓	38.61±5.54	7.82±8.65	3.98±0.24	16.13±4.78	1905.69±583.84	24.17±9.71	0.34±0.02
	RMSE%↓	4.71±0.03	4.93±0.03	4.88±0.00	4.80±0.03	40.91±2.24	4.73±0.05	0.47±0.24
IT	AUC%↑	50.85±0.65	49.55±0.36	56.26±8.63	51.54±1.14	50.56±0.89	52.18±1.27	96.04±0.06
	Hits@1%↑	0.40±0.05	0.07±0.00	0.81±1.01	1.00±0.37	0.26±0.05	0.95±0.29	44.34±0.67
	MRR%↑	3.96±0.11	1.30±0.01	5.10±5.17	5.40±0.80	3.39±0.13	5.39±0.57	52.59±0.45
	EGM%↓	0.33±0.01	0.16±0.00	0.36±0.28	0.26±0.02	2.87±0.08	0.35±0.04	0.11±0.02
	MAE%↓	22.06±1.53	2.86±0.21	17.38±22.41	14.38±3.19	1140.97±38.53	23.79±3.18	0.35±0.02
	RMSE%↓	5.23±0.02	5.39±0.00	5.27±0.16	5.18±0.08	42.02±2.38	5.15±0.05	0.73±0.34
Man	AUC%↑	51.25±1.30	49.48±0.38	49.64±0.11	51.66±1.37	50.61±0.82	52.08±1.11	96.92±0.07
	Hits@1%↑	0.33±0.03	0.19±0.01	0.19±0.01	0.35±0.08	0.25±0.04	0.68±0.22	45.62±0.63
	MRR%↑	3.18±0.06	1.49±0.05	1.51±0.03	3.35±0.18	2.89±0.15	4.11±0.55	53.85±0.46
	EGM%↓	0.23±0.01	0.11±0.00	0.11±0.00	0.15±0.02	2.55±0.22	0.17±0.02	0.07±0.02
	MAE%↓	20.97±1.21	2.48±1.56	2.76±0.32	8.30±4.98	1328.72±178.34	12.12±4.14	0.30±0.03
	RMSE%↓	4.19±0.02	4.30±0.01	4.29±0.00	4.24±0.03	41.52±1.31	4.16±0.06	0.68±0.18

Table S4: Performance comparisons of uncompetitive baselines for OSD forecasting on four datasets.

Data	Metric	P3a	RP3b	NGCF	LightGCN	MultVAE	w-o con	w-o rank	w-o bias	L1	our
Dai	AUC%↑	60.28±0.00	60.82±0.00	62.07±0.08	77.48±1.69	81.42±0.00	93.72±0.02	94.82±0.01	94.62±0.01	94.78±0.01	<b>94.92±0.02</b>
	Hits@1%↑	13.36±0.00	12.87±0.00	12.25±0.19	13.58±0.64	13.07±0.00	15.89±0.15	19.14±0.07	18.88±0.29	19.58±0.20	<b>21.58±0.24</b>
	MRR%↑	16.82±0.00	16.52±0.00	18.50±0.09	20.56±0.69	19.76±0.00	23.30±0.11	26.76±0.14	26.17±0.17	26.75±0.21	<b>27.39±0.02</b>
	EGM%↓	0.03±0.00	0.03±0.00	0.03±0.00	0.34±0.03	0.02±0.00	0.04±0.01	0.02±0.00	0.55±0.31	0.06±0.06	<b>0.02±0.05</b>
	MAE%↓	382.64±0.00	94.13±0.00	22.31±0.94	164.75±2.22	7.81±0.00	1.48±0.18	0.93±0.15	14.34±8.33	1.99±1.27	<b>1.33±1.33</b>
	RMSE%↓	140.49±0.00	26.72±0.00	2.50±0.03	2.82±0.15	2.90±0.00	0.31±0.05	0.19±0.04	1.65±0.69	0.36±0.28	<b>0.26±0.22</b>
Fin	AUC%↑	58.43±0.00	58.85±0.00	70.15±0.09	76.45±1.10	77.22±0.00	93.38±0.06	94.52±0.03	94.37±0.11	94.44±0.15	<b>95.56±0.05</b>
	Hits@1%↑	13.21±0.00	12.08±0.00	14.23±0.10	15.74±1.00	12.08±0.00	19.46±0.25	21.19±0.33	21.16±0.31	21.54±0.21	<b>22.64±0.27</b>
	MRR%↑	16.12±0.00	15.18±0.00	20.70±0.09	23.43±0.96	18.69±0.00	26.73±0.27	28.60±0.15	28.37±0.25	28.84±0.17	<b>29.02±0.17</b>
	EGM%↓	0.04±0.00	0.03±0.00	0.03±0.00	0.34±0.05	0.02±0.00	0.09±0.04	0.09±0.07	1.09±0.62	0.06±0.03	<b>0.02±0.02</b>
	MAE%↓	10.72±0.00	3.62±0.00	0.51±0.20	0.86±6.40	0.51±0.00	0.22±0.59	0.27±0.88	1.49±7.94	0.12±0.39	<b>0.09±0.05</b>
	RMSE%↓	119.65±0.00	30.73±0.00	2.63±0.02	2.73±0.05	3.12±0.00	0.78±0.26	1.45±0.28	2.46±0.93	0.54±0.17	<b>0.16±0.07</b>
IT	AUC%↑	58.47±0.00	58.95±0.00	71.86±1.37	69.79±0.07	74.30±0.00	92.67±0.41	93.93±0.10	93.98±0.06	93.30±0.07	<b>94.42±0.12</b>
	Hits@1%↑	11.30±0.00	11.23±0.00	12.75±1.21	14.35±0.28	13.30±0.00	16.65±0.83	16.56±0.29	18.37±0.39	19.75±0.34	<b>20.14±0.07</b>
	MRR%↑	14.86±0.00	14.96±0.00	18.65±1.20	19.75±0.23	18.88±0.00	23.03±0.93	23.23±0.31	24.97±0.36	25.42±0.41	<b>26.79±0.13</b>
	EGM%↓	0.06±0.00	0.05±0.00	0.34±0.03	0.07±0.00	0.07±0.00	0.06±0.01	0.11±0.07	0.15±0.07	0.13±0.03	<b>0.05±0.04</b>
	MAE%↓	391.10±0.00	92.55±0.00	97.30±5.42	19.44±0.96	19.43±0.00	0.32±0.08	0.43±0.20	0.73±0.23	0.47±0.09	<b>0.22±0.13</b>
	RMSE%↓	216.36±0.00	44.41±0.00	3.34±0.08	2.78±0.02	3.34±0.00	0.66±0.28	0.59±0.16	0.76±0.23	0.58±0.08	<b>0.26±0.21</b>
Man	AUC%↑	60.15±0.00	61.31±0.00	66.66±0.10	75.35±2.27	79.62±0.00	93.19±0.08	93.77±0.07	93.67±0.01	92.83±0.01	<b>93.94±0.06</b>
	Hits@1%↑	11.14±0.00	10.93±0.00	11.02±0.05	11.22±0.61	11.27±0.00	13.87±0.24	14.08±0.32	13.55±0.23	13.61±0.21	<b>14.66±0.08</b>
	MRR%↑	14.80±0.00	14.86±0.00	16.34±0.07	17.36±0.65	16.45±0.00	20.58±0.21	20.81±0.33	20.13±0.12	20.27±0.12	<b>21.34±0.11</b>
	EGM%↓	0.06±0.00	0.05±0.00	0.05±0.00	0.32±0.03	0.03±0.00	0.04±0.01	0.04±0.00	0.58±0.34	0.07±0.04	<b>0.03±0.01</b>
	MAE%↓	318.73±0.00	79.49±0.00	27.10±0.68	101.97±4.07	5.74±0.00	0.47±0.01	0.56±0.11	4.41±2.33	0.51±0.13	<b>0.37±0.04</b>
	RMSE%↓	119.02±0.00	26.40±0.00	2.36±0.01	2.58±0.03	2.95±0.00	0.32±0.11	0.48±0.16	1.29±0.52	0.35±0.12	<b>0.12±0.08</b>

Table S5: Performance comparisons on OSD graph completion on four datasets.

- **DyGrEncoder** [Taheri *et al.*, 2019]: This approach combines a sequence-to-sequence encoder-decoder model with gated graph neural networks (GGNNs) and long short-term memory networks (LSTMs). The encoder captures temporal dynamics in an evolving graph, and the decoder reconstructs the dynamics using the encoded representation.
- **AGCRN** [Bai *et al.*, 2020]: AGCRN proposes two adaptive modules to enhance Graph Convolutional Network (GCN): 1) Node Adaptive Parameter Learning (NAPL) captures node-specific patterns, and 2) Data Adaptive

Graph Generation (DAGG) infers inter-dependencies among different traffic series automatically.

- **A3TGCN** [Bai *et al.*, 2021]: A3T-GCN learns short-time trends in time series using gated recurrent units, incorporates spatial dependence based on the road network’s topology through graph convolutional networks, and introduces an attention mechanism to adjust the importance of different time points for improved prediction accuracy.
- **GCLSTM\*** [Chen *et al.*, 2022]: GCLSTM is an end-to-end model integrating a Graph Convolution Network

(GCN) embedded Long Short-Term Memory network (LSTM) for dynamic network link prediction. GCN captures local structural properties, while LSTM learns temporal features across snapshots of a dynamic network.

- **MPNNLSTM\*** [Panagopoulos *et al.*, 2021]: To investigate the impact of population movement on COVID-19 spread, MPNNLSTM utilizes graph neural networks (GNNs) and employs a transfer learning approach based on Model-Agnostic Meta-Learning (MAML) to leverage knowledge from models of other countries.

**Dynamic Link Prediction** We utilized DyGLib<sup>2</sup>, a publicly available library, to implement a set of baseline models for dynamic graph link prediction. To tailor these baselines to our specific scenario, we incorporated an additional Multi-layer Perceptron (MLP) to forecast specific skill demand and employed an MAE Loss for regression tasks.

- **TGAT** [da Xu *et al.*, 2020]: TGAT introduces the Temporal Graph Attention layer, designed to adeptly aggregate temporal-topological neighborhood features simultaneously capturing time-feature interactions efficiently.
- **CAWN** [Wang *et al.*, 2021]: This work proposes a novel approach for representing temporal networks, termed CAW-N, which utilizes Contextualized Attention Walks (CAWs) to encode temporal network motifs. This method captures network dynamics while maintaining full inductiveness.
- **DyGFormer** [Yu *et al.*, 2023]: DyGFormer stands as a state-of-the-art method, characterized by its conceptual simplicity. It exclusively learns from nodes’ historical first-hop interactions through a neighbor co-occurrence encoding scheme that explores correlations between source and destination nodes based on their historical sequences and a patching technique that divides each sequence into multiple patches and feeds them to a Transformer. This approach allows the model to effectively and efficiently benefit from longer historical contexts.

**Skill Demand Forecasting** To substantiate the superiority of our model in predicting skill demand at the occupational level, we conducted a comprehensive comparison with several established baselines about overall skill demand. During the implementation of the baseline, we further disaggregated our skills at the occupational level for skill prediction. Notably, the following baselines undertake modeling and forecasting for both the supply and demand aspects. In our problem, we specifically focused on the modeling and forecasting related to skill demand, omitting the corresponding aspects related to the supply side.

- **DHGEM** [Guo *et al.*, 2022]<sup>3</sup>: DHGEM presents a framework designed for fine-grained joint prediction of talent demand and supply. The architecture encompasses a transformer-based encoder and a dynamic heterogeneous Graph Convolutional Network (GCN). This combination is tailored to capture correlations between de-

mand and supply sequences, complemented by an RNN for modeling dynamic recurrent processes.

- **CHGH** [Chao *et al.*, 2024]<sup>4</sup>: CHGH introduces an encoder-decoder network featuring: i) a cross-view graph encoder to grasp interconnections between skill demand and supply; ii) a hierarchical graph encoder for modeling the co-evolution of skills from a cluster-wise perspective; and iii) a conditional hyperdecoder. The conditional hyperdecoder enables the joint prediction of demand and supply variations by incorporating historical demand-supply gaps.

## B.4 More Details for Experiment Analysis

Due to page limitations in the body of the paper, we presented the experimental results on OSD forecasting of uncompetitive baselines in Table S4. Notably, nearly every baseline exhibited suboptimal performance in link prediction metrics, with significant disparities observed in metrics such as MAE.

Among these less successful baselines, a majority employed methodologies akin to the end-to-end integration of GCN and RNN. This observation underscored the inherent challenges of relying solely on such end-to-end approaches to capture trend changes in dynamic edge regression problems. It further underscored the significance of incorporating pre-training on stable structures to effectively capture dependencies between occupations and skills.

## B.5 More Details for OSD Graph Completion

We presented the complete OSD Graph Completion experiments on four datasets in Figure 1(a). In addition to the compared backbones discussed in the Experiment section, we also evaluated two less competitive baselines, namely P3a [Cooper *et al.*, 2014] and RP3b [Paudel *et al.*, 2016]. The findings exhibited a consistent trend with the observations discussed in the experiments, underscoring the robustness of the learned representations by GAE across all datasets.

## B.6 More Details for Ablation Studies

The ablation studies on four datasets are summarized in Figure S1. “Next” and “mean” refer to updating temporal features with the most recent ones and computing mean temporal features from past timestamps, respectively. The results align with study observations, confirming the effectiveness of the designed module across all datasets.

## B.7 More Details for Parameter Sensitivity Analysis

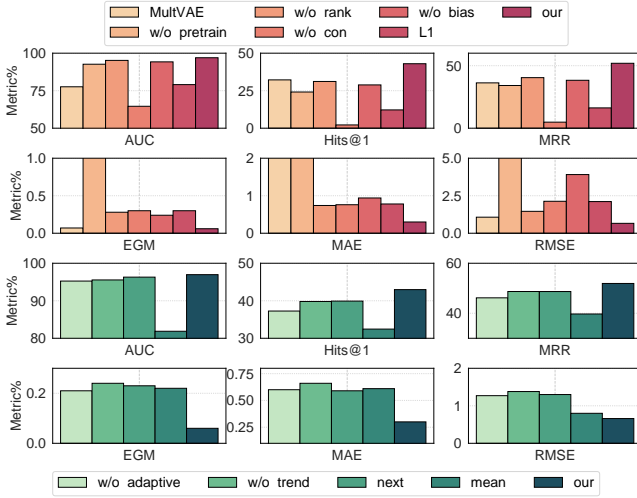
**OSD Graph Completion** We conducted experiments on the Fin dataset for OSD graph completion to assess the impact of different hyperparameters, namely  $\lambda_{rg}$ ,  $\lambda_{rank}$ , and  $\lambda_{con}$ , introduced to predict OSD, differentiate feature spaces for various skills, and address sparse skills, respectively.

Our model was trained by varying  $\lambda_{rg}$  from 10.0 to 500.0,  $\lambda_{con}$  from 0.01 to 0.1, and  $\lambda_{rank}$  from 0.02 to 0.20. As depicted in Figure S2, GAE demonstrated optimal performance when  $\lambda_{rg}$ ,  $\lambda_{con}$ , and  $\lambda_{rank}$  are set to 100, 0.05, and 0.1, respectively. Importantly, the parameter experiments revealed consistent parameter selections across all metrics, indicating

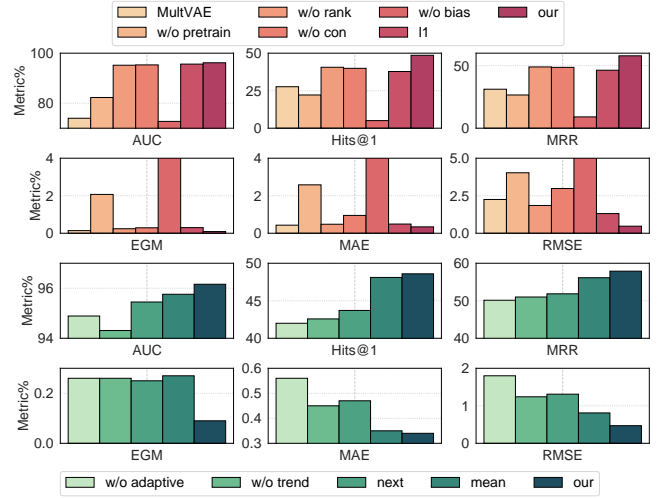
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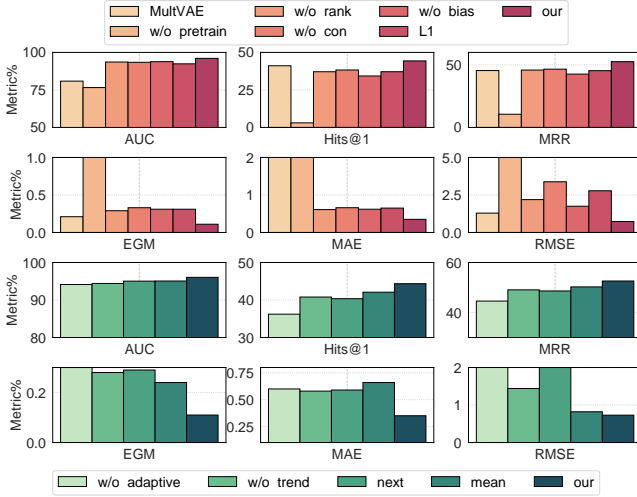
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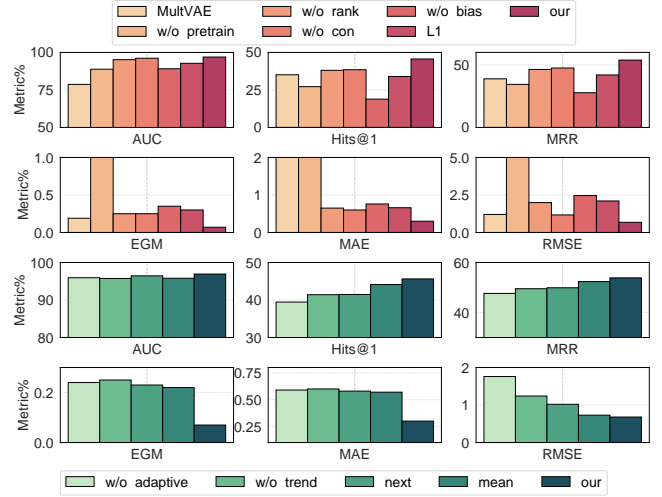
(a) OSD forecasting ablation studies on Dai dataset.



(b) OSD forecasting ablation studies on Fin dataset.



(c) OSD forecasting ablation studies on IT dataset.



(d) OSD forecasting ablation studies on Man dataset.

Figure S1: OSD forecasting ablation studies on four dataset.

a strong correlation between the tasks. This highlighted the beneficial impact of multi-task learning, facilitating concurrent improvement across various tasks.

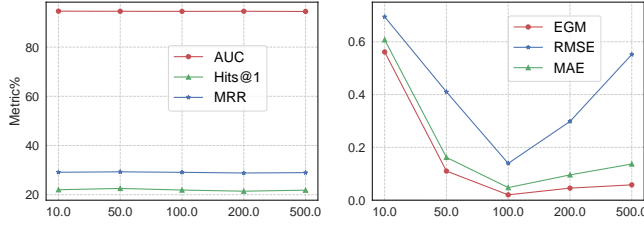
**Adaptive Temporal Encoding Unit Optimization** We conducted experiments on the Fin dataset to assess the impact of different values for  $\lambda_{trend}$ . The term  $\mathcal{L}_{trend}$  was introduced to explicitly enable dynamic representations to discern changes in trends.

We optimized the parameters of the adaptive temporal encoding unit by varying  $\lambda_{trend}$  from 0.2 to 2.0. As illustrated in Figure S3, the majority of metrics exhibited stability under different parameter values, with a slight elevation observed around 1.0. However, beyond 1.8, the effectiveness showed a declining trend. These findings underscored the significance of trend-aware loss as an auxiliary task, emphasizing the importance of maintaining a moderate weight, as excessively

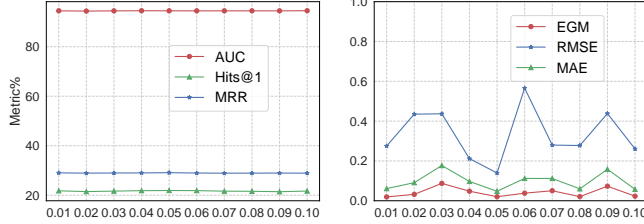
high weights may impact the primary task.

**Temporal Shift Module Optimization** In the optimization of the temporal shift module, we maintained  $\lambda_{re}$  at a fixed value of 1 while adjusting the other two hyperparameters, namely  $\lambda_{ne}$  and  $\lambda_{com}$ , to examine their impact. As depicted in Figure S3, diverse indicators exhibited relative stability under different parameter settings, indicating weak sensitivity to parameter variations in this context. The concurrent training of the three hyperparameters proved advantageous for Pre-DyGAE in capturing the patterns associated with the migration of time series.

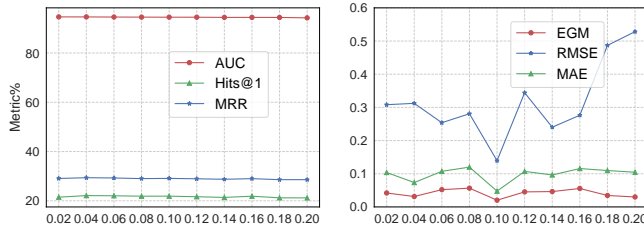
**The Influence of  $\Delta t$**  We have already discussed the impact of  $\Delta t$  on experimental results. The specific experimental results are shown in Table S6.



(a)  $\lambda_{rg}$



(b)  $\lambda_{con}$



(c)  $\lambda_{rank}$

Figure S2: Performance of OSD graph completion with different parameter settings of  $\lambda_{rg}$ ,  $\lambda_{con}$  and  $\lambda_{rank}$ .

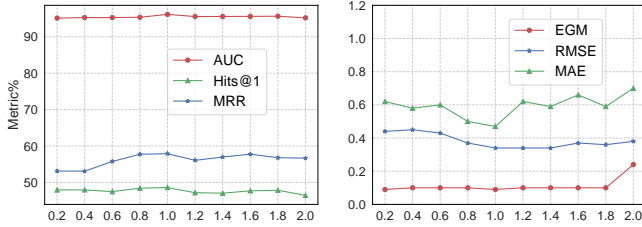


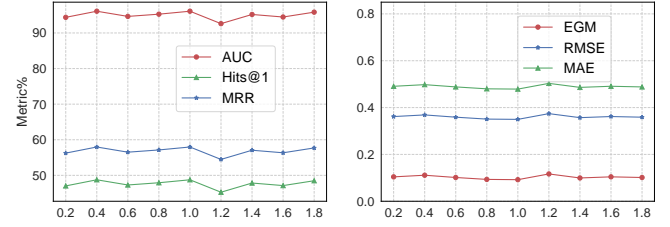
Figure S3: Parameter Sensitivity Analysis of  $\lambda_{trend}$  in adaptive temporal encoding unit optimization on Fin dataset.

$\Delta t$	AUC% $\uparrow$	Hits@1% $\uparrow$	MRR% $\uparrow$	EGM% $\downarrow$	MAE% $\downarrow$	RMSE% $\downarrow$
1	88.02 $\pm$ 6.20	29.19 $\pm$ 16.84	35.35 $\pm$ 18.24	0.13 $\pm$ 0.00	0.75 $\pm$ 0.35	3.25 $\pm$ 0.06
2	93.76 $\pm$ 1.62	43.07 $\pm$ 1.01	50.79 $\pm$ 0.03	0.14 $\pm$ 0.02	0.72 $\pm$ 0.48	2.22 $\pm$ 0.13
3	93.98 $\pm$ 1.69	45.00 $\pm$ 1.33	52.40 $\pm$ 2.00	0.11 $\pm$ 0.01	0.68 $\pm$ 0.11	0.96 $\pm$ 0.10
4	96.16 $\pm$ 0.09	48.59 $\pm$ 0.34	57.89 $\pm$ 0.37	0.09 $\pm$ 0.02	0.34 $\pm$ 0.02	0.47 $\pm$ 0.24
5	95.44 $\pm$ 0.35	46.64 $\pm$ 0.27	54.43 $\pm$ 0.01	0.10 $\pm$ 0.00	0.50 $\pm$ 0.23	1.25 $\pm$ 0.02
6	95.83 $\pm$ 0.03	44.07 $\pm$ 0.30	52.32 $\pm$ 0.41	0.10 $\pm$ 0.00	0.60 $\pm$ 0.03	1.92 $\pm$ 0.0

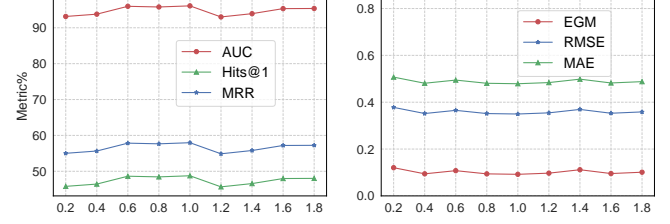
Table S6: Parameter Experiment on  $\Delta t$  on Fin dataset.

## Appendix C. Case study

Utilizing the OSD from January 2022 to December 2023 and our predicted OSD for July to December 2023, we computed the OSD differences between consecutive timestamps. Subsequently, we extracted specific occupations and skills, pre-



(a)  $\lambda_{ne}$



(b)  $\lambda_{com}$

Figure S4: Parameter Sensitivity Analysis of  $\lambda_{ne}$  and  $\lambda_{com}$  in temporal shift module optimization on Fin dataset.

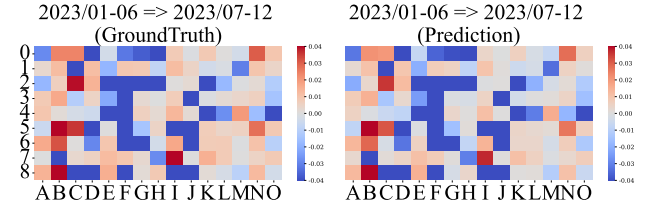
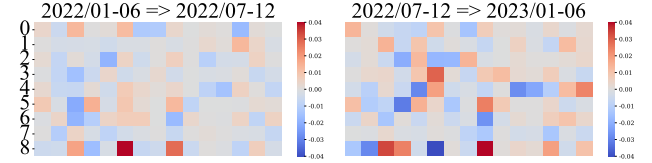


Figure S5: A heatmap illustrating the disparity in OSD between the two timestamps. Each row in the heatmap corresponds to an occupation, listed from top to bottom as follows: data product manager (0), product manager (1), data analyst (2), image algorithm (3), data annotation/AI trainer (4), recommendation algorithm (5), algorithm researcher (6), interaction designer (7), and search algorithm (8). Each column denotes a skill, with skills listed as follows: SQL (A), writing (B), coding (C), big data (D), tidy (E), model (F), decision making (G), visualization (H), computer repair (I), PyTorch (J), office (K), Python (L), coordination (M), English (N), and typing (O). Red represents growth and blue represents decline, with darker colors representing greater degrees of growth or decline respectively.

sending the results visually in Figure S5.

The figure illustrated varying trends in skill demand changes at different times, with the same skill exhibiting different evolving patterns across diverse occupations. This observation aligned with the underlying motivation of our research problem. Moreover, upon evaluating the prediction outcomes, our model demonstrated a high degree of concordance with actual results, affirming the efficacy of our model.

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