Table 6: The details of hyper-parameters used in FT.

Model	Dataset	Temperature	λ
	Cora	0.1	50
	Citeseer	4	0.1
GCN	Pubmed	Octa   O.1     Octa   Octa	1
	A-Computers	12	50
	A-photo	0.001	200
	Cora	0.01	50
	Citeseer	0.01	1
GAT	Pubmed	0.1 4 0.01 12 0.001 0.01 0.01 4 24 12 4 1 24 12 4 1 24 12 8 0.1 20 24 12 4 4 0.1	200
	A-Computers 24		200
	A-Photo	12	200
	Cora	4	1
	Citeseer	4	0.1
GraphSAGE	Pubmed	1	0.01
	A-Computers	24	100
	A-Photo	12	100
	Cora	8	0.1
Citeseer		0.1	0.5
APPNP	Pubmed	20	1
	A-Computers	24	100
	A-Photo	12	100
	Cora	4	0.1
	Citeseer	4	0.5
SGC	Pubmed	0.1	0.1
	A-Computers	12	50
	A-Photo	4	50

Teacher	Dataset	k	λ
	Cora	1	1
	Citeseer	1	1
GCN	Pubmed	1	200
	A-computers	1	100
	A-photo	1	50
GAT	Cora	2	1
	Citeseer	2	1
	Pubmed	2	200
	A-computers	2	200
	A-photo	2	50
GraphSAGE	Cora	3	1
	Citeseer	3	1
	Pubmed	3	100
	A-computers	3	200
	A-photo	3	50
	Cora	3	1
	Citeseer	3	1
APPNP	Pubmed	1	200
	A-computers	3	200
	A-photo	3	50
	Cora	2	1
	Citeseer	1	1
SGC	Pubmed	1	100
	A-computers	1	200
	A-photo	1	50

Table 7: Classification accuracies of different distillation frameworks on five GNN models.

Teacher	Dataset	Teacher	CPF	RDD	LTD
GCN	Cora	0.8534	0.8585	0.8543	0.8721
	Citeseer	0.7359	0.7552	0.7431	0.7851
	Pubmed	0.7989	0.7842	0.8146	0.8191
	A-Computers	0.8594	0.8644	0.8251	0.8645
	A-Photo	0.9223	0.9352	0.8839	0.9324
	Cora	0.8520	0.8628	0.8464	0.8656
	Citeseer	0.7525	0.7657	0.7481	0.7735
GAT	Pubmed	0.7944	0.7885	0.8218	0.8274
	A-Computers	0.8091	0.8063	0.8006	0.8304
	A-Photo	0.9094	0.9200	0.9112	0.9316
	Cora	0.8426	0.8674	0.8567	0.8703
GraphSAGE	Citeseer	0.7276	0.7586	0.7470	0.7746
	Pubmed	0.8189	0.8143	0.8173	0.8401
	A-Computers	0.7829	0.7884	0.7986	0.8144
	A-Photo	0.9146	0.8741	0.8084	0.9306
APPNP	Cora	0.8581	0.8689	0.8642	0.8693
	Citeseer	0.7530	0.7696	0.7580	0.7851
	Pubmed	0.8301	0.8435	0.8387	0.8436
	A-Computers	0.8095	0.8172	0.8112	0.8363
	A-Photo	0.9225	0.9337	0.9255	0.9337
	Cora	0.8454	0.8670	0.8562	0.8660
SGC	Citeseer	0.7238	0.7713	0.7315	0.7873
	Pubmed	0.8205	0.8205	0.8302	0.8405
	A-Computers	0.8047	0.8023	0.8084	0.8528
	A-Photo	0.9118	0.9324	0.9155	0.9297
Average ranking		3.40	2.32	3.04	1.12

### A DETAILS FOR REPRODUCIBILITY

### A.1 Settings for Other Distillation Frameworks

In our experiments, we use the following two knowledge distillation frameworks as baselines.

- CPF [28]: We train CPF in the inductive setting, with the number of mlp layers as 1. And we employ Optuna to explore the number of propagation layers *K* from {6, 7, 8, 9, 10}, global temperature from {0.001, 0.01, 0.1, 1, 4, 8, 12, 16, 20, 24}, hidden size in MLP from {8, 16, 32, 64}, dropout rate from {0.3, 0.4, 0.5, 0.6, 0.7, 0.8}, learning rate from {0.001, 0.005, 0.01}, and weight decay of Adam optimizer from {0.0005, 0.001, 0.01}.
- RDD [31]: We fix RDD with learning rate as 0.1 and weight decay of Adam optimizer as 0.1. For other hyper-parameters, we conduct heuristic search by exploring the dropout rate from  $\{0.3, 0.4, 0.5, 0.6, 0.7, 0.8\}$ , the parameter  $\rho$  which controls the threshold of node reliability from  $\{0.2, 0.4, 0.6, 0.8\}$  and the parameter  $\gamma$  which controls the proportion of knowledge transfer from  $\{0.5, 1, 2, 5\}$  with the help of Optuna. Finally we select a set of hyper-parameters that make RDD perform best in the validation set.

### A.2 Hyper-parameters of FT

The detailed hyper-parameters used in FT are summarized in Table 6.

# A.3 Hyper-parameters of LTD

In LTD, we use early stopping with max epochs as 600. We restrict the temperatures within a reasonable range [-0.2k, 0.8k] where k=1,2,3. Note that we allow a negative temperature for distilling, which can help the student model correct the teacher's predictions more flexibly. We have about 100 trials altogether, and finally select a set of hyper-parameters that make LTD perform best in

the validation set. The detailed hyper-parameters used in LTD are summarized in Table ??.

## A.4 Original Results of Figure 2

The original results of Figure 2 without being averaged are listed in Table 7. Our LTD has the best average ranking compared with SOTA distillation frameworks.