



Expressive and Interpretable Graph Neural Networks

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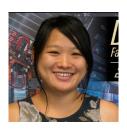
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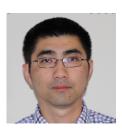
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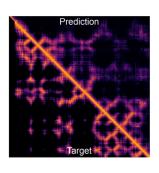


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Deep Learning on Graphs in Science

Protein folding

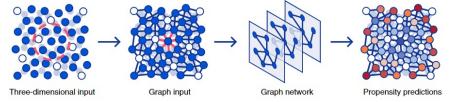
[Senior et al., Nature 2019] [Jumper et al., Nature 2021]



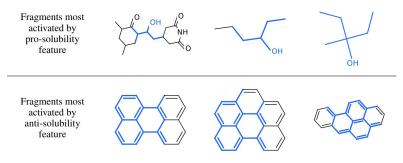


Simulation of glass dynamics

[Baspt et al, Nature Physics 2021]

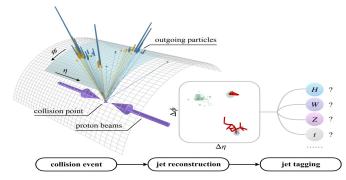


Molecular Property Prediction



[Duvenaud et al., NeurIPS 2015]

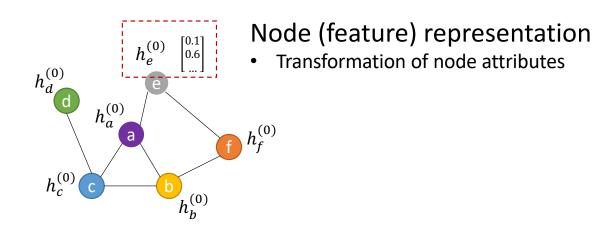
Jet Tagging in HEP



Refined based on [Qu, Li, Qian, 2022]

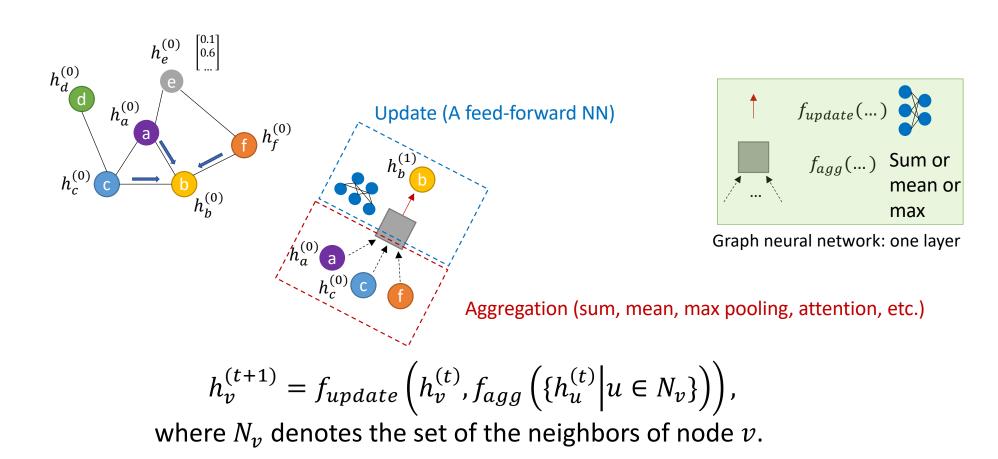
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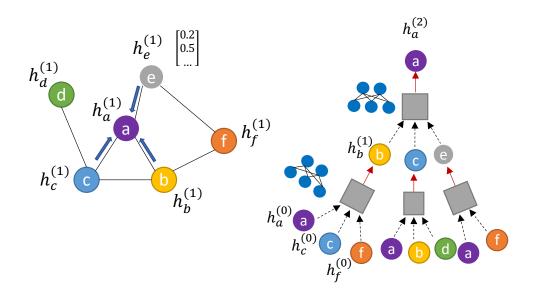
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Make prediction

- 1. [node level] Use node representations separately to predict node labels
- 2. [graph level] Aggregate all node representations to predict the graph label

$$h_G = \text{POOL}\left(\left\{h_v^{(L)} \mid v \in V\right\}\right)$$

$$h_v^{(t+1)} = f_{update}\left(h_v^{(t)}, f_{agg}\left(\left\{h_u^{(t)}\middle|u \in N_v\right\}\right)\right),$$

where N_v denotes the set of the neighbors of node v.

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Please check this with Shikun Liu on Wednesday.

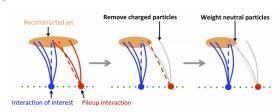


Image source: HOW CMS WEEDS OUT PARTICLES THAT PILE UP

Observed in pileup mitigation

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Expressive Power

- The target function $f: \mathcal{X} \to \mathcal{Y}$ --- unknown
- A model $f_{\theta}: \mathcal{X} \to \mathcal{Y} \theta$ denotes the parameters

Can we expect
$$\sup_{X \in \mathcal{X}} |f(X) - f_{\theta}(X)|$$
 to be small for some θ ?

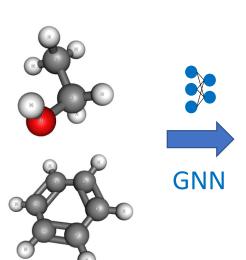
For regular inputs $\mathcal{X} = \mathbb{R}^d$ and a fully-connected feedforward f_{θ}



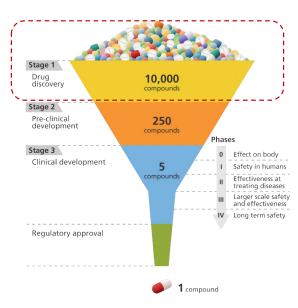
For graph inputs
$$\mathcal{X} = \mathcal{G} = \{0,1\}^{n \times n}$$
 and a GNN f_{θ}



GNNs predict graph-level properties:



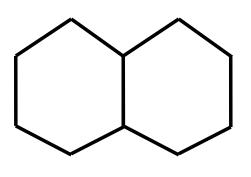
- Solubility
- Toxicity
- HOMO-LUMO energy gap
- effectiveness to certain disease



An illustration showing the different stages involved in developing a drug.

Image credit: Genome Research Limited

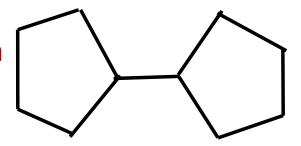
GNNs fail in many cases. E.g., fail to give predictions of any different properties regarding the following molecules



GNNs yield same prediction

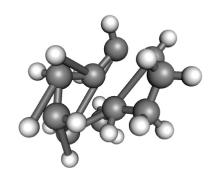


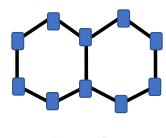
limited expressive power



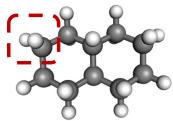
Bicyclopentyl



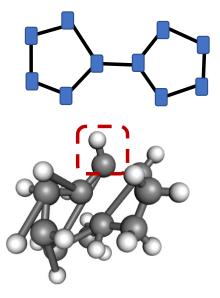


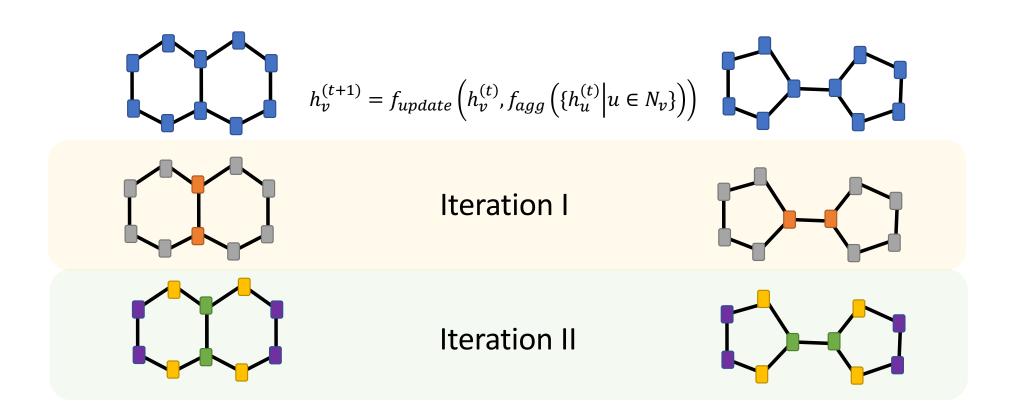


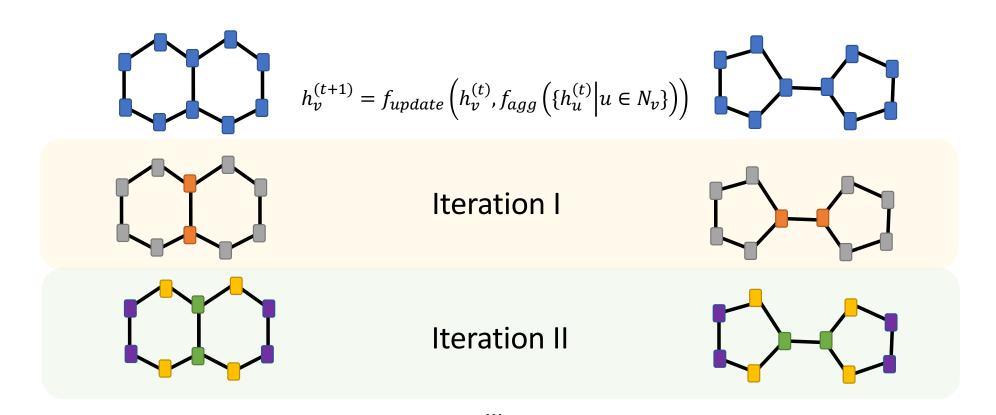
Node attributes



"one carbon atom with two hydrogen atoms" as a node







Predict based on $h_G = POOL(\{h_v^{(L)} \mid v \in V\})$

The multi-sets of colors (node representations) on two graphs keep the same No valid predictions...

- Too symmetric? This is not an extreme case...
 - Consider $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$, $f(A) = trace(A^3)$
 - If let $A \in \{0,1\}^{n \times n}$ represent a graph, $A_{uv} = 1$ if (u,v) is an edge, f(A) outputs the number of 3-cycles.

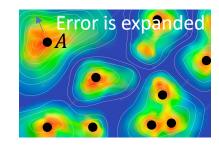
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Have different numbers of 3-cycles while GNNs give them the same prediction



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 - A lot of input A's may cause such errors

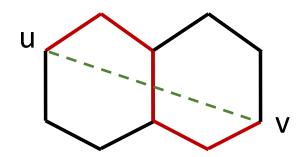
Error for $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$: $|f_{\theta}(A) - f(A)|$



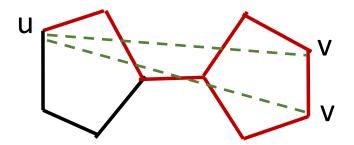
Note that f_{θ} is continuous

Let us consider the 0-1 case: $A \in \{0,1\}^{n \times n}$ (a graph without weights on edges)

One key idea: Injecting structural (e.g., distance) features

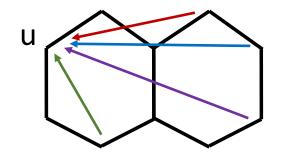


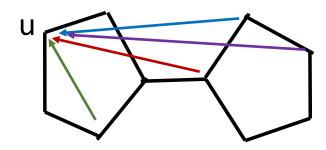
For any node u, there is at most one node v whose shortest path distance to u is 5.



There exists a node u such that there are two nodes whose shortest path distance to u are 5.

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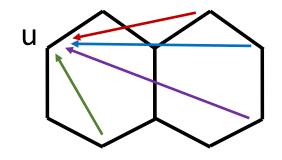


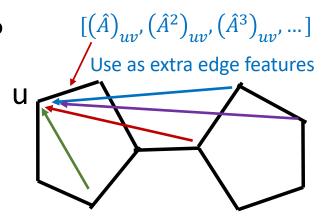


- Build a new fully connected graphs (transformers)
- Use distance over the original graph as edge features on the new graph

Graphomer achieves top-1 in KDD Cup's 2021 to predict molecular properties

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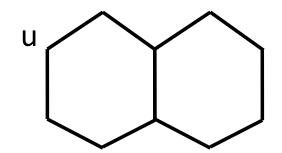


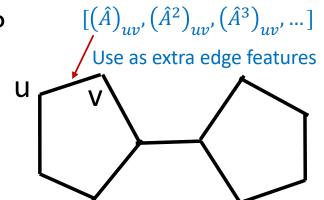


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A more general structural feature

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For complexity consideration, this can be removed.

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Higher-order tensors: Computation complexity is high

Maron et al., Provably powerful graph networks, NeurIPS 2019

Add random node features: Training is hard to converge

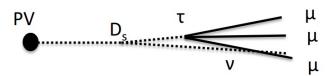
Sato et al., Random features strengthen graph neural networks, SDM 2021 Abboud et al., The surprising power of graph neural networks with random node initialization, IJCAI 2021

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$\tau \rightarrow 3\mu$ Detection

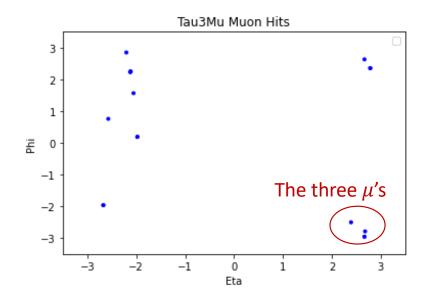
- Motivation
 - Physics beyond the Standard Model
 - Search for <u>charged lepton flavor violating</u> decays
 - $\tau \rightarrow 3\mu$ is the <u>cleanest signature</u>
 - Extremely small branching ratio
 - Though may be enhanced by BSM physics
 - BR($\tau \to 3\mu$) ~ $O(10^{-8})$
- Given an ML model, we want
 - High trigger efficiency
 - Low trigger rate

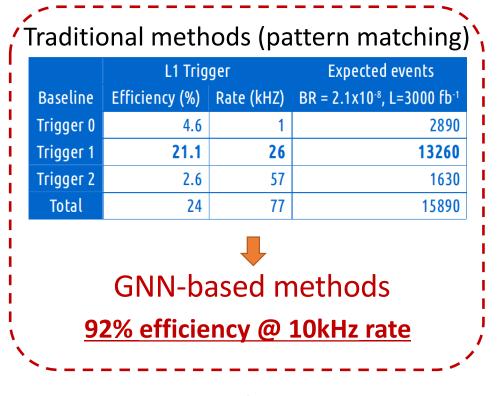




GNNs give super performance

☐ We use muon hits left in the muon stations to make prediction.

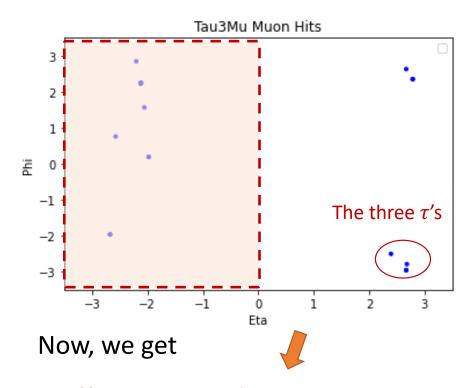




Can we trust this performance?

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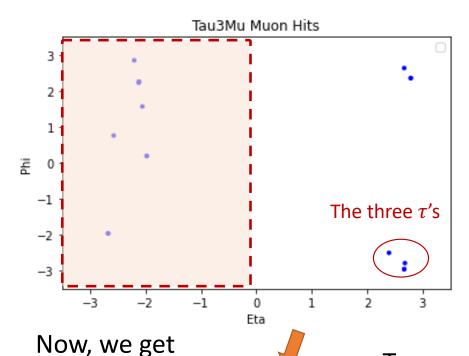
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Why can it happen?

Either the simulator or pre-processing injects spurious correlations.

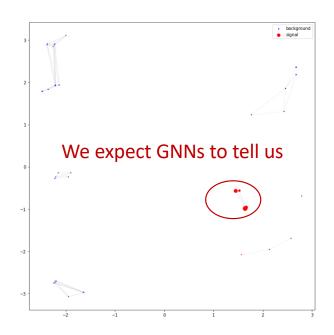
Two endcaps: 92% efficiency @ 10kHz rate

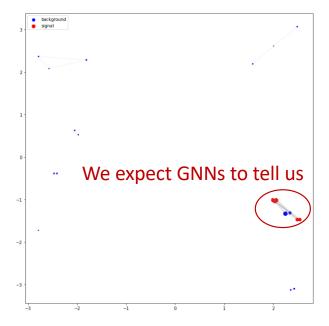
Traditional: 24% efficiency @ 77kHz rate 29

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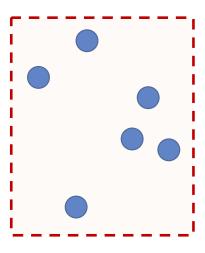
Design Interpretable and Trustworthy GNNs

Can we **check patterns learned** by GNNs to see if we can trust them?

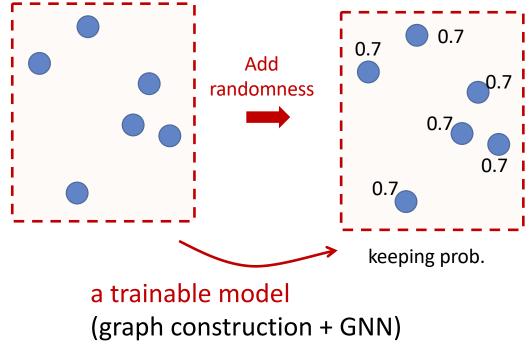




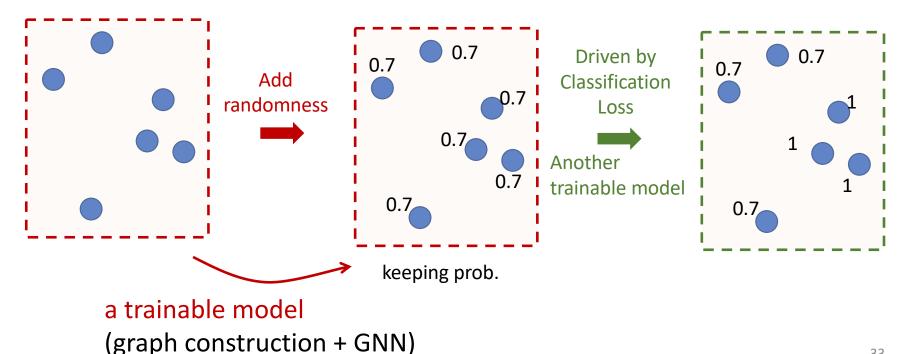
Constrain the amount of information that the model can use from the data



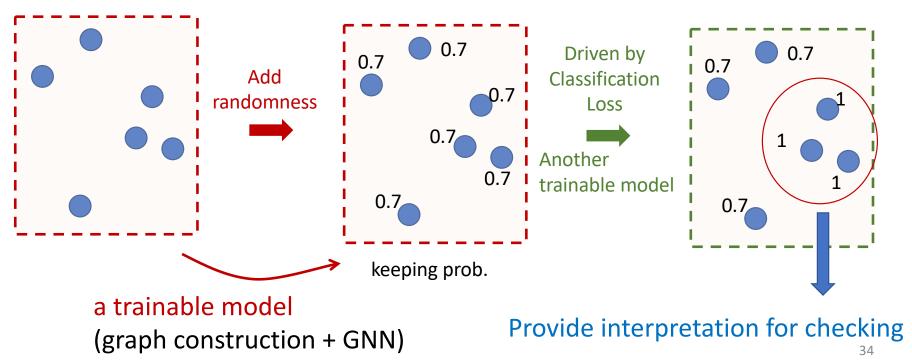
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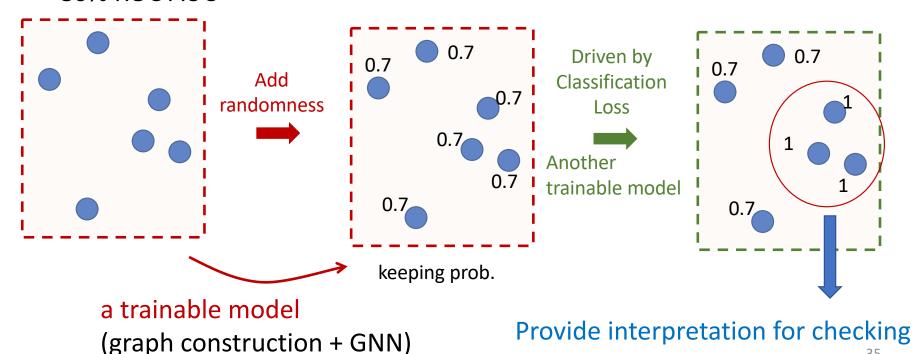
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- The detected points by our methods match the $\tau \rightarrow 3\mu$ signals with 80% ROC AUC



Check Papers and Code

More Applications

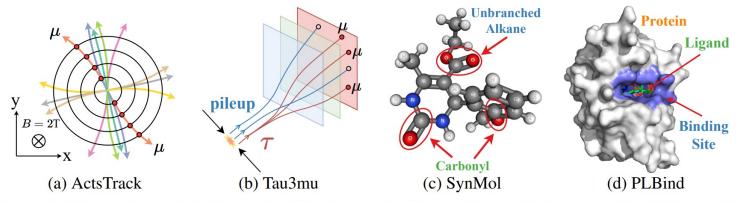


Figure 1: Illustrations of the four scientific datasets in this work to study interpretable GDL models.

Point cloud part is under review at ICLR 2023

Under review as a conference paper at ICLR 2023

INTERPRETABLE GEOMETRIC DEEP LEARNING VIA LEARNABLE RANDOMNESS INJECTION

Applied to 2-D molecules

Interpretable and Generalizable Graph Learning via Stochastic Attention Mechanism

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Code is online: https://github.com/Graph-COM/GSAT

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Thank you!