

# Graph Kernels and Support Vector Machines for Pattern Recognition

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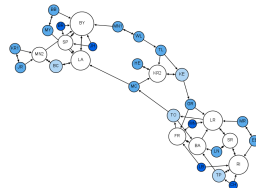
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# Motivation and Objectives I

- Data as graphs : proteins, social networks, ..
- Big Data : many, large graphs
- We want to tackle the problem of classifying them



*Moreno's sociogram (Source : Wikipedia)*



*Fragment of a protein transformed into a graph (Vishwanathan et al., 2010)*

# Motivation and Objectives II : Current methods

## Support Vector Machine (Cortes and Vapnik, 1995)

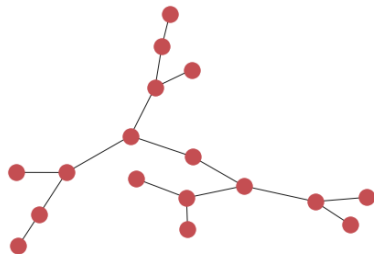
- Operates on vectorial data
- Great accuracy
- Great capacity of generalization
- Allows the use of kernels in its dual form

## Kernels

- Maps data to higher dimensions
- Allows functions to replace the dot product
- Improves the accuracy of SVMs

# Motivation and Objectives III

- These methods are adapted to **vectorial data**
- Graphs are not
- Vectorizing adjacency matrices does not solve the problem (automorphism, size)
- New types of kernels were discovered
- They are very **complex** to compute



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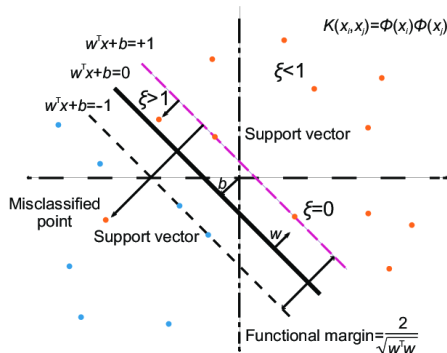
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- We thus minimize

$$\min_{\mathbf{w}} \quad \frac{1}{2} \|\mathbf{w}\|^2$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{s.t.} \quad & y_i(\mathbf{x}_i \cdot \mathbf{w} + w_0) \geq 1 \\ & 1 \leq i \leq N \end{aligned}$$

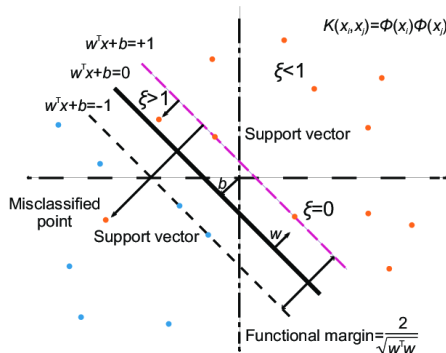


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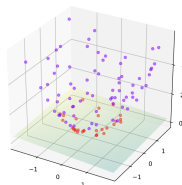
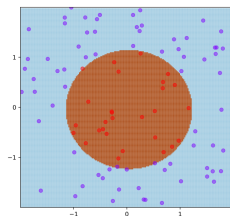
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# Kernels

- Dual version of the SVM

$$\max_{\mathbf{w}} \sum_i^n \alpha_i - \frac{1}{2} \sum_i^n \sum_j^n \alpha_i \alpha_j y_i y_j \mathbf{x}_i^\top \mathbf{x}_j$$



*Kernel Trick (Source : Wikipedia)*

- A map  $\phi$  can be used
- The dot product can be replaced by a p.s.d function  $\kappa(\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2)$
- RBF =  $e^{-\frac{\|\mathbf{x}_1 - \mathbf{x}_2\|^2}{2\sigma^2}}$
- Polynomial =  $(\mathbf{x}_1 \cdot \mathbf{x}_2 + c)^d$



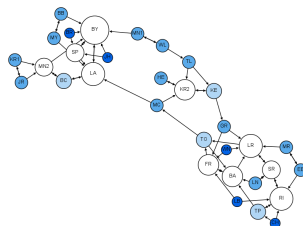
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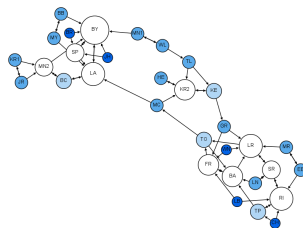
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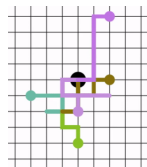
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# Random Walks I

## Random walks on undirected graphs

- Starts at a vertex
- Randomly picks an edge and moves to the next vertex
- Repeats it for a finite (or not) number of steps



2D Random walk (Source : Wikipedia)



A graph  $G_1$



A graph  $G_2$



$G_x = G_1 \otimes G_2$

- Computing a random walk on a product graph is equivalent to computing a common walk on both graph (Imrich and Klavzar, 2000)
- The product graph is computed using the Kronecker product  $\otimes$

# Random Walks II

- Unlabeled product graph :  $W_{\times} = A_1 \otimes A_2$
- Labeled product graph :  $W_{\times} = \sum_{l=1}^d A_1^{(l)} \otimes A_2^{(l)}$

$$\kappa(G_1, G_2) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \mu(k) q_{\times}^{\top} W_{\times}^k p_{\times}$$

- $p_{\times}$  and  $q_{\times}$  resp. start and end probabilities : priors  $\implies$  uniform probabilities
- $\mu(k)$  weighting function of walks length

# Acceleration methods

## Inverse Kernel

A special case where  $\mu(k) = \lambda^k$  leads to the following kernel

$$\kappa(G_1, G_2) = q_{\times}^{\top} (I - \lambda W_{\times})^{-1} p_{\times}$$

- $O(n^6)$  complexity
- Some methods will try to accelerate it



# Sylvester Equation

- Applicable to labeled and unlabeled graphs
- Restricted to  $\mu(k) = \lambda^k \implies$  inverse kernel

## Method

The Sylvester equation we solve is the following

$$\sum_{l=1}^d A_1^{(l)} X A_2^{(l)} + C = X$$

by multiplying  $X$  to  $q_x$  we get

$$q_x^\top \text{vec}(X) = q_x^\top (I - \lambda W_x)^{-1} p_x$$

- The complexity is  $O(n^3)$  for unlabeled graph
- It is yet unknown for labeled graphs (Vishwanathan et al., 2010)

# Conjugate Gradient

- Applicable to unlabeled and labeled graphs
- Restricted to  $\mu(k) = \lambda^k \implies$  inverse kernel
- The matrix should be symmetrized

## Method

- Optimizes  $(I - \lambda W_{\times})x = p_{\times}$
- The complexity is  $O(rdn^3)$  for  $r$  iterations and  $d$  labels
- Efficient if the matrix has a small effective rank  $r$

# Fixed Point Iterations

- Applicable to labeled and unlabeled graphs
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## Method

The algorithm iterates on the following function

$$x_{t+1} = p_{\times} + \lambda W_{\times} x_t$$

Either until  $\|x_{t+1} - x_t\| < \epsilon$  or a maximum number of iterations is reached.

- The complexity is  $O(kdn^3)$  for  $k$  iterations and  $d$  labels
- Convergence requires  $\lambda < \frac{1}{\xi_1}$

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# Spectral Decomposition II

## Inverse Kernel

- By choosing  $\mu(k) = \lambda^k$ , this method computes the inverse kernel
- Inverse becomes trivial to compute on diagonal matrix

$$\kappa(G, G_2) = q_{\times}^{\top} V_{\times} (I - \lambda D_{\times})^{-1} V_{\times}^{-1} p_{\times}$$

- The complexity is  $O(pn^3)$  with  $p$  which depends on the complexity of  $\mu(k)$
- It is even lower since the eigendecomposition of each graph is computed only once
- Currently our most efficient method on unlabeled graphs

# Nearest Kronecker Product Approximation

- Labeled-graph kernel computation can be turned into an unlabeled one with some loss in accuracy, but gain in computation time
- The idea is to approximate two matrices  $A$  and  $B$  such that  $\|W_X - A \otimes B\|_F$  is minimized
- Computed in  $O(dn^2)$  time (Van Loan and Pitsianis, 1993)
- All methods such as Spectral Decomposition can then be applied
- The overall complexity remains unchanged



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## Metrics

$$L(X, \mathbf{y}) = \frac{1}{|X|} \sum_{i=1}^{|X|} \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } f(\mathbf{x}_i) \neq y_i \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

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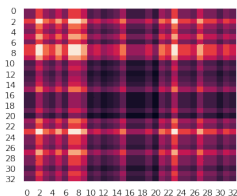
$$q_{\times}^{\top} P_{\times} (I - \lambda D_{\times})^{-1} P_{\times}^{-1} p_{\times}$$



# Performance : Gram matrices

	Raw kernel	Inverse Kernel	Sylvester Equation	Conjugate Gradients	Fixed points	Spectral Decomp.
Raw.	0	1.1e-4	9.8e-5	8.9e-5	1.0e-4	1.0e-04
Inv.	-	0	2.1e-5	7.9e-5	4.0e-6	6.8e-6
Syl.	-	-	0	8.0e-5	1.7e-5	1.4e-5
Con.	-	-	-	0	7.9e-5	7.9e-5
Fix.	-	-	-	-	0	2.8e-6
Spe.	-	-	-	-	-	0

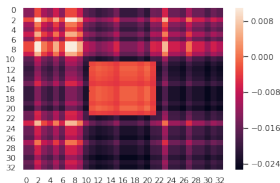
*MSE of matrix entries normalized per entry*



*Raw Gram matrix*

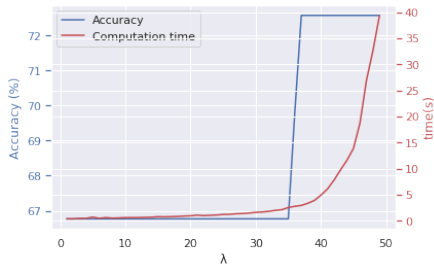


*Fixed Point matrix*

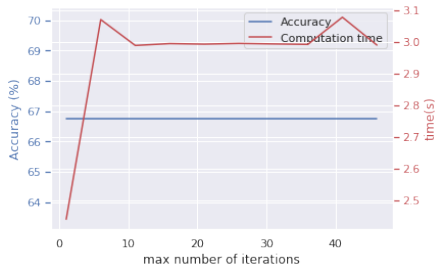


*Difference*

# Parameter tuning

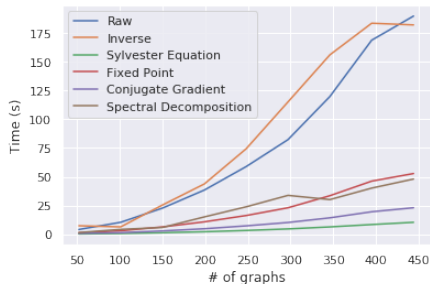
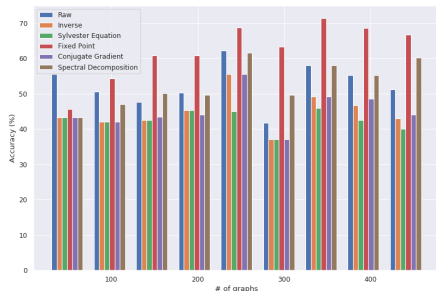


*Accuracy and computation time for the fixed point method depending on  $\lambda$*



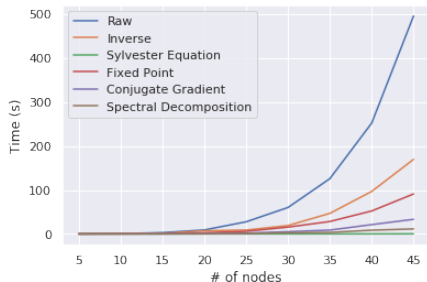
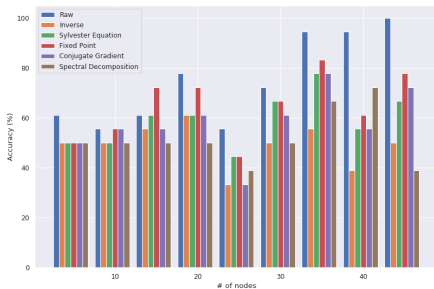
*Accuracy and computation time for the conjugate gradient method depending on the maximum number of iterations*

# Performance : Complexity I



*Accuracy and Computation time of different methods depending on the number of graphs*

# Performance : Complexity II



*Accuracy and Computation time of different methods depending on the size of graphs*

# MUTAG

Method	MUTAG	
	Accuracy	Comp. time
Raw Kernel	$83.9 \pm 3.1$	1'54"
Sylvester Equation	$83.5 \pm 2.8$	5"
Conjugate Gradient	$83.5 \pm 2.8$	18"
Fixed Point Iterations	$83.5 \pm 2.8$	47"
Spectral Decomposition	$82.4 \pm 1.3$	43"

*Accuracy and Computation time on the dataset*

# Conclusion

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- Random walks : decent accuracy
- Several acceleration methods were introduced
- Performances are greatly improved
- Performances on MUTAG are on par with the state of the art

## Future work

- Generalizing the Spectral Decomposition to labeled graphs

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# Appendix : Graphs

## Definition

A graph Bondy et al. (1976) is a type of mathematical structure that represents connections between objects. It is more precisely an ordered pair  $G = (V, E)$  of two sets: vertices  $V$  (or nodes) and edges  $E$  that connect two vertices together.

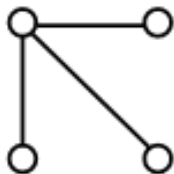
$$E \subseteq \{(u, v) : (u, v) \in V^2\}$$

## Properties

- Undirected
- Labeled or not
- Degree
- Path and Cycle
- Connected
- Tree
- Subgraph
- Line Graph



# Appendix : Graphlets



I



II



III



IV

*Some graphlets of size 4 and 5 (Shervashidze et al., 2009)*

## Definition

Let  $G$  and  $G_2$  be two graphs,  $\mathbf{f}_G$  and  $\mathbf{f}_{G_2}$  the frequency vectors of respectively  $G$  and  $G_2$ , then the kernel  $\kappa$  is defined as

$$\kappa(G, G_2) = \mathbf{f}_G^\top \mathbf{f}_{G_2}$$

## Appendix : P.S.D

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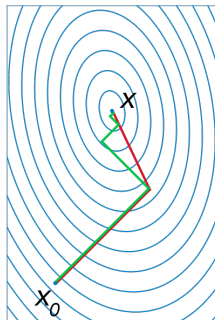
A kernel  $K$  is positive semi definite if and only if

$$\sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n \kappa(\mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{x}_j) c_i c_j \geq 0 \quad \forall i \in \{1..n\} \quad c_i \in \mathbb{R} \quad (1)$$

It is also p.s.d if its gram matrix have non-negative eigenvalues.

## Appendix : Conjugate Gradient

- The idea is to make the new gradient orthogonal to the former
- Convergence guaranteed in  $n$  steps to solve  $Ax = b$  where  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$



*Conjugate gradient (red) compared to Gradient Descent (green)*