

Image Convolution/Cross-correlation

$$\text{In[47]:= } X = \begin{pmatrix} a & b & c \\ d & p & f \\ g & h & i \end{pmatrix}; G = \begin{pmatrix} w_0 & w_1 & w_2 \\ w_3 & w_4 & w_5 \\ w_6 & w_7 & w_8 \end{pmatrix}; P = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\text{Out[47]= } \{ \{0, 0, 1\}, \{0, 1, 0\}, \{1, 0, 0\} \}$$

Connection between cross-correlation and convolution

$$\text{Cross-correlation } (X \star G)[1, 1] := \text{tr}(XG^T) = a w_0 + b w_1 + c w_2 + d w_3 + p w_4 + f w_5 + g w_6 + h w_7 + i w_8$$

$$\text{Convolution : } (X \star G)[1, 1] := (PXP \star G)[1, 1] =$$

$$i w_0 + h w_1 + g w_2 + f w_3 + p w_4 + d w_5 + c w_6 + b w_7 + a w_8$$

$$\text{In[49]:= } \text{MatrixForm}[P.X.P]$$

$$\text{Out[49]//MatrixForm=}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} i & h & g \\ f & p & d \\ c & b & a \end{pmatrix}$$

Question for conv gnns: given X as the node features/embeddings and G as a learnable filter, how to calculate $X \star G$?

Analogy between image Conv and graph Conv

*assume mix cross-correlation with convolution

Image

$$5 \times 5 \times 3 \text{ Image } \text{Im} = \begin{pmatrix} u_0 & u_1 & u_2 & \text{pixel} & \text{pixel} \\ u_3 & v_R & u_4 & \text{pixel} & \text{pixel} \\ u_5 & u_6 & u_7 & \text{pixel} & \text{pixel} \\ \text{pixel} & \text{pixel} & \text{pixel} & \text{pixel} & \text{pixel} \\ \text{pixel} & \text{pixel} & \text{pixel} & \text{pixel} & \text{pixel} \end{pmatrix}, \text{ showing only first channel, second}$$

$$\text{and third channel: } \begin{pmatrix} u_8 & u_9 & u_{10} \\ u_{11} & v_G & u_{12} \\ u_{13} & u_{14} & u_{15} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} u_{16} & u_{17} & u_{18} \\ u_{19} & v_B & u_{20} \\ u_{21} & u_{22} & u_{23} \end{pmatrix}, \text{ in total 27 pixel values}$$

$$3 \times 3 \times 3 \text{ Filter } G = \begin{pmatrix} w_0 & w_1 & w_2 \\ w_3 & w_R & w_4 \\ w_5 & w_6 & w_7 \end{pmatrix}, \text{ showing just first channel. Second channel and third channel:}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} w_8 & w_9 & w_{10} \\ w_{11} & w_G & w_{12} \\ w_{13} & w_{14} & w_{15} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} w_{16} & w_{17} & w_{18} \\ w_{19} & w_B & w_{20} \\ w_{21} & w_{22} & w_{23} \end{pmatrix}, \text{ in total 27 weights}$$

$$(\text{Im} \star G)[v] = \text{inner product of SubTensor}(0, 7) \text{ with } G$$

$$= u_0 w_0 + u_1 w_1 + u_2 w_2 + \dots + u_{24} w_{26}$$

$$\text{im2col trick: If we write SubTensor}(0, 7) \text{ as a vector } \vec{u}, \text{ write } G \text{ as a vector } \vec{w},$$

$$= \vec{u} \cdot \vec{w}$$

\vec{u} : all pixel values across channels of v 's adjacent locations, adjacency is defined by the image layout and filter size

\vec{w} : all weights across channels of the filter

$$(\text{Im} * G)[v] = \sum_{u_i \in \text{Neighbor}(v), \text{ across channels}} u_i w_i + \sum_{c \in \{R, G, B\}} v_c w_c$$

Graph

A four-node graph

Embedding matrix $H = \begin{pmatrix} \vec{h}_0 \\ \vec{h}_1 \\ \vec{h}_2 \\ \vec{h}_3 \end{pmatrix}$, $N \times 1$, each row is an embedding for a node, initially they equal to the

input node features. Adjacency matrix $A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$, Filter matrix $W = \begin{pmatrix} \vec{w}_0 \\ \vec{w}_1 \\ \vec{w}_2 \\ \vec{w}_3 \end{pmatrix}$, $N \times 1$, for syntax

sugar, redefine $W^A = \begin{pmatrix} \vec{w}_0 & \vec{w}_1 & \vec{w}_2 & \vec{w}_3 \\ \vec{w}_0 & \vec{w}_1 & \vec{w}_2 & \vec{w}_3 \\ \vec{w}_0 & \vec{w}_1 & \vec{w}_2 & \vec{w}_3 \\ \vec{w}_0 & \vec{w}_1 & \vec{w}_2 & \vec{w}_3 \end{pmatrix}$, $N \times N$,

What we want is filtered embedding at node v , how?

Let's say for node v , its idx is k

Vector form: $\vec{h}_k' = \vec{h}_k \cdot \vec{w}_{\text{center}} + \sum_{i \in \text{Neighbor}(v)} \vec{h}_i \cdot \vec{w}_i$

Matrix form:

$$A \odot W^A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & \vec{w}_2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \vec{w}_3 \\ \vec{w}_0 & \vec{w}_1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \vec{w}_2 & 0 \end{pmatrix} N \times N$$

$$A \odot W^A H = \begin{pmatrix} \vec{h}_2 \vec{w}_2 \\ \vec{h}_3 \vec{w}_3 \\ \vec{h}_0 \vec{w}_0 + \vec{h}_1 \vec{w}_1 \\ \vec{h}_2 \vec{w}_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \sum_{i \in \text{Neighbor}(v_0)} \vec{h}_i \cdot \vec{w}_i \\ \sum_{i \in \text{Neighbor}(v_1)} \vec{h}_i \cdot \vec{w}_i \\ \sum_{i \in \text{Neighbor}(v_2)} \vec{h}_i \cdot \vec{w}_i \\ \sum_{i \in \text{Neighbor}(v_2)} \vec{h}_i \cdot \vec{w}_i \end{pmatrix}, N \times 1, N \times D$$

$H' = \text{activation}(\Theta H + A \odot W^A H)$ is what we finally want

Note 1: Obviously in the end there needs to be activation functions, skip connections can be added, residual blocks, etc.

Note 2: Embedding of first layer only contains the first-order neighbors of nodes, embedding of second layer will add information from the second-order neighbors (neighbors of neighbors).

Benefit: each row of calculation only depends on the local neighbors, so possible to parallelize and do mini-batch-style training via random walking, sampling, etc.

Alternatively, if we write $H^D = \begin{pmatrix} \vec{h}_0 & 0 & \vec{0} & 0 \\ 0 & \vec{h}_1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \vec{h}_2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \vec{h}_3 \end{pmatrix}$

then $A \odot W^A H = A H^D W$

Comparison to spectral based

$$U \Lambda U^T = L = I - D^{1/2} A D^{-1/2}$$

$$H = \begin{pmatrix} \vec{h}_0 \\ \vec{h}_1 \\ \vec{h}_2 \\ \vec{h}_3 \end{pmatrix}, U = \begin{pmatrix} u_i & ? & ? & ? \\ ? & ? & ? & ? \\ ? & ? & ? & ? \\ ? & ? & ? & ? \end{pmatrix}, U^T, W = \begin{pmatrix} \vec{w}_0 \\ \vec{w}_1 \\ \vec{w}_2 \\ \vec{w}_3 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$H * W = F^{-1}(F(H * W)) \\ = F^{-1}(F(H) \odot F(W))$$

$$F(H) = U^T H, F^{-1}(H) = UH$$

$\Rightarrow H * W := U((U^T H) \odot (U^T W))$, this definition of convolution in graph, whereas in the spatial-based method we were defining the convolution with A, in analogy to image conv.

$$= \begin{pmatrix} ? & ? & ? & ? \\ ? & ? & ? & ? \\ ? & ? & ? & ? \\ ? & ? & ? & ? \end{pmatrix} \left(\begin{pmatrix} \Sigma & u_i \vec{h}_i \\ \text{weighted sum} & \end{pmatrix} \odot \begin{pmatrix} \Sigma & u_i \vec{w}_i \\ \text{weighted sum} & \end{pmatrix} \right)$$

Calculations not limited to the first-order neighbors, it can figure out the hidden structure of the graph. As shown in GCN paper, if we take the first-order approximation of spectral-based method, we can recover the same spatial-based form above.

Problem: multiplication with U is inevitable and expensive, getting U in the first place may not be feasible, $O(N^3)$, and filter weights cannot be reused if new nodes introduced. No way to look only locally.