

This Talk

- 1) Node embeddings 
- Map nodes to low-dimensional embeddings.
- 2) Graph neural networks 
- Deep learning architectures for graph-structured data
- 3) Applications 

Part 3: Applications

Outline for This Section

- **Recommender systems**
 - **RW-GCNs**: GraphSAGE-based model to make recommendations to millions of users on Pinterest.
- **Computational biology**
 - **Decagon**: Predicting polypharmacy side-effects with graph neural networks.
- **Practical insights**
 - Code repos, useful frameworks, etc
- **Future directions**

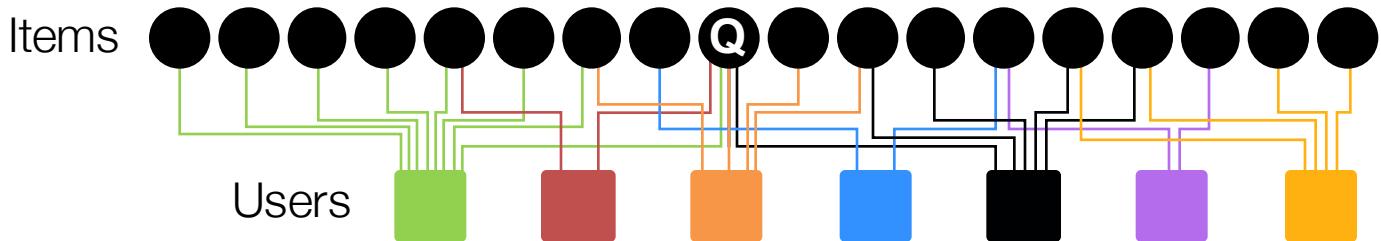
RW-GCNs:

Graph Convolutional Networks for Web-Scale Recommender Systems

Based on material from:

- Ying et al. Graph Convolutional Neural Networks for Web-Scale Recommender Systems. *Under Review*.

Bipartite Graph for RecSys



- Graph is dynamic: need to apply to new nodes without model retraining
- Rich node features: content, image

Graph Neural Nets for RecSys

- **Two sources of information in traditional recommender systems:**
 - **Content features:** User and item features, in the form of images, categories etc.
 - **Network structure:** User-item interactions, in the form of graph/network structure.
- Graph neural networks naturally incorporate both!!

Application: Pinterest

Human curated collection of pins



Very ape blue
structured coat

Nitty Gritty

Picked for you
Street style



Hans Wegner chair
Room and Board

Promoted by
Room & Board

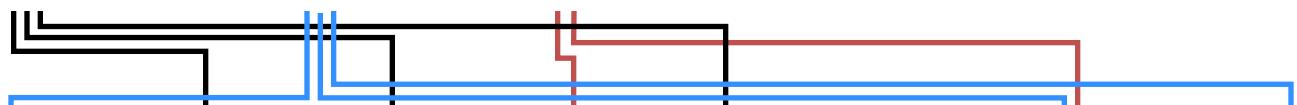


This is just a beautiful
image for thoughts.
Yay or nay, your choice.

Annie Teng
Plantation

Pins: Visual bookmarks someone has saved from the internet to a board they've created.

Pin features: Image, text, link



mid century modern ...



Man Style
Gavin Jones



men + style I
FIG + SALT



Plants
HelloSandwich



Men's Style
Andrea Sempi



Mid century modern
Tyler Goodro



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Moore Seal



Mid century modern ...
Prettygreen tea

Boards

Application: Pinterest

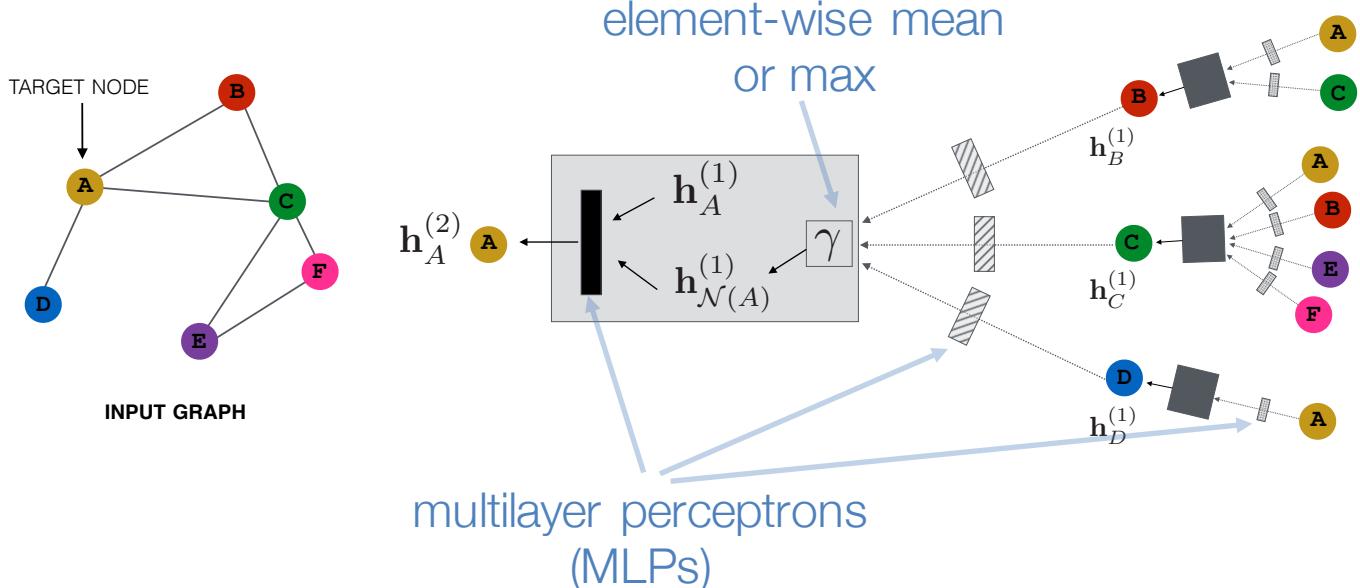
Task: Recommend related pins to users.



- **Challenges:**
 - **Massive size:** 3 billion pins and boards, 16 billion interactions
 - **Heterogeneous data:** Rich image and text features

RW-GCN Overview

- Random-Walk GCNs = RW-GCNs
- Architecture is an extension of GraphSAGE:



Overview of RW-GCN Pipeline

1. **Collect** billions of training pairs from user logs.
2. **Train** system to generate similar embeddings for training pairs.
3. **Generate** embeddings for all pins.
4. **Make recommendations** using nearest neighbor search in the embedding space (in real time).

RW-GCN Overview

- Train so that **pins that are consecutively clicked have similar embeddings.**
- Max-margin loss:

$$\mathcal{L} = \sum_{(u,v) \in D} \max(0, -\mathbf{z}_u^\top \mathbf{z}_v + \mathbf{z}_u^\top \mathbf{z}_n + \Delta)$$

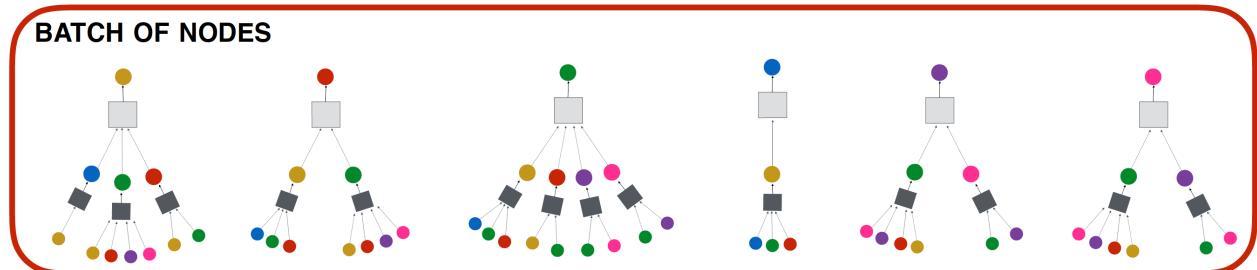
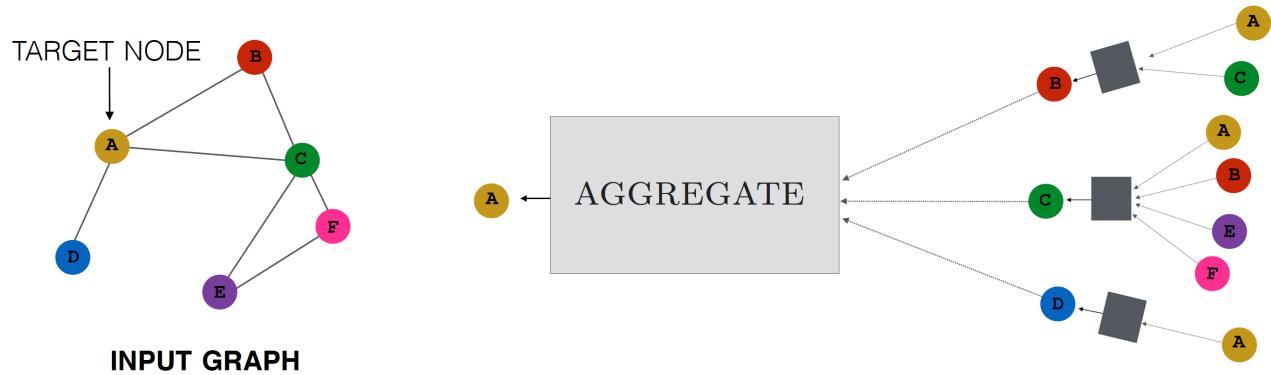
set of training pairs from user logs “positive”/true training pair “negative” sample “margin” (i.e., how much larger positive pair similarity should be compared to negative)

The diagram illustrates the components of the max-margin loss function. A blue arrow points to the set of training pairs D . Red arrows point to the terms $\mathbf{z}_u^\top \mathbf{z}_v$ and $\mathbf{z}_u^\top \mathbf{z}_n$, which represent the similarity between a positive pair and a negative pair respectively. A purple arrow points to the term Δ , which represents the margin or the threshold for the loss function.

RW-GCN Efficiency

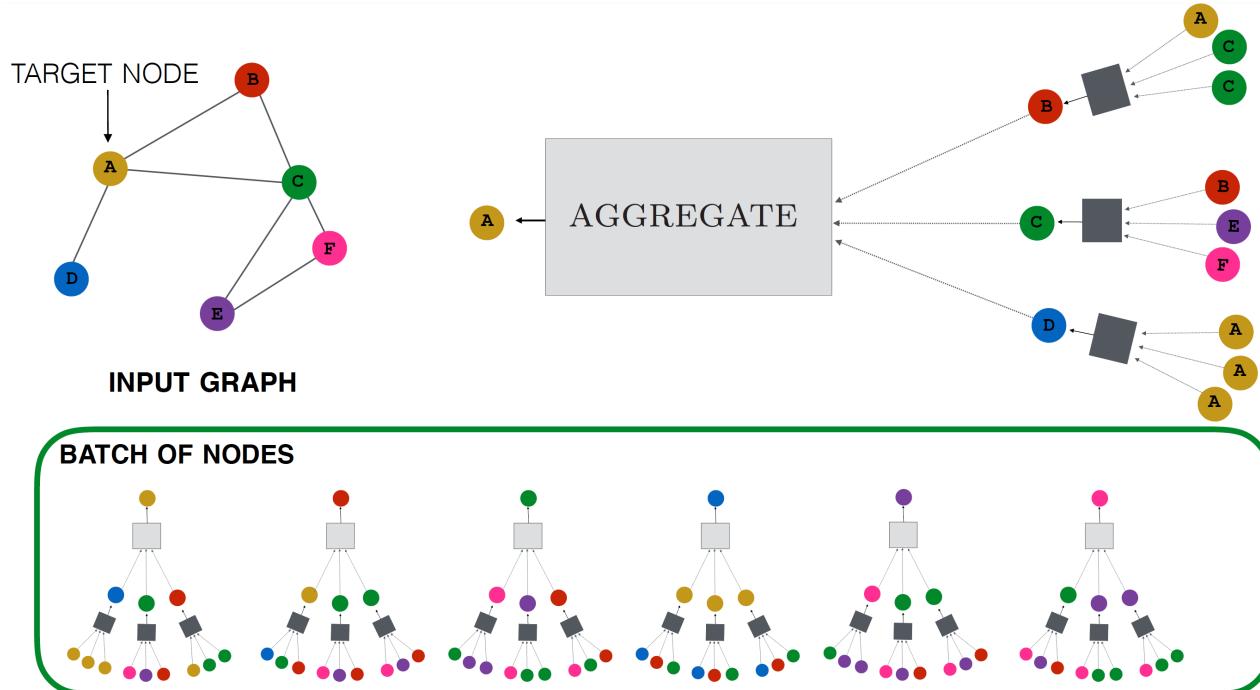
- **10,000X larger than any previous graph neural network application.**
- **Key innovations:**
 1. Sub-sample neighborhoods for efficient GPU batching
 2. Producer-consumer training pipeline
 3. Curriculum learning for negative samples
 4. MapReduce for efficient inference

Neighborhood Subsampling



Every node has unique compute graph. Can't batch on GPU!

Neighborhood Subsampling



Compute graphs have same structure = efficient GPU batching

Neighborhood Subsampling

- **Random-walk**-based neighborhood
 - Approximates personalized PageRank (PPR) score.
 - Sampled neighborhood for a node is a list of nodes with the top-K PPR score.
- **Advantage:**
 - Algorithm finds the most relevant nodes(item) for high degree nodes

Producer-consumer Pipeline

- Select a batch of pins
- Run random walks
- Construct their computation graphs

CPU
(producer)

- Multi-layer aggregations
- Loss computation
- Backprop

GPU
(consumer)

Curriculum Learning

- **Idea:** use harder and harder negative samples
- Include more and more hard negative samples for each epoch



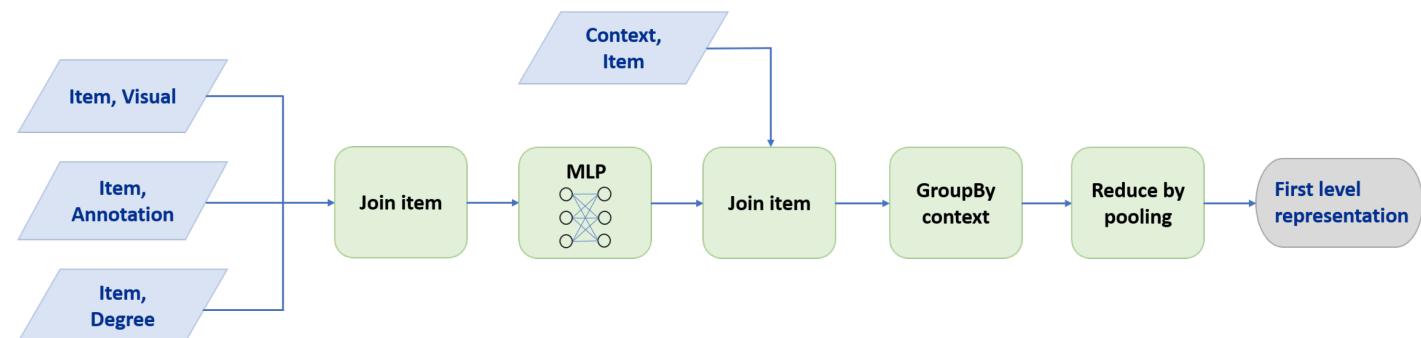
Source pin

Positive

Easy negative Hard negative

MapReduce Inference

- How to efficiently infer representations on nodes we have not seen during training time?
- **Key insight:** avoid repeated computation by sharing computation in MapReduce layers!

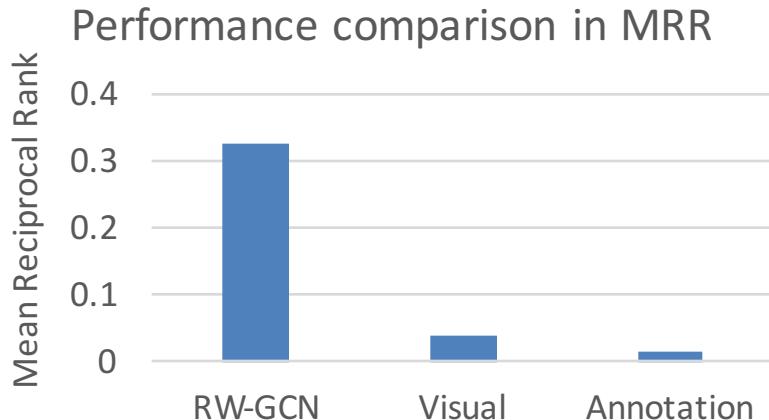


RW-GCN Performance

- **72% better recommendation quality than standard GraphSAGE model.**
- **Key innovations:**
 1. **Weigh importance** of neighbors according to approximate PPR score.
 2. **Use curriculum training** to provide harder and harder training examples over time.

RW-GCN Performance

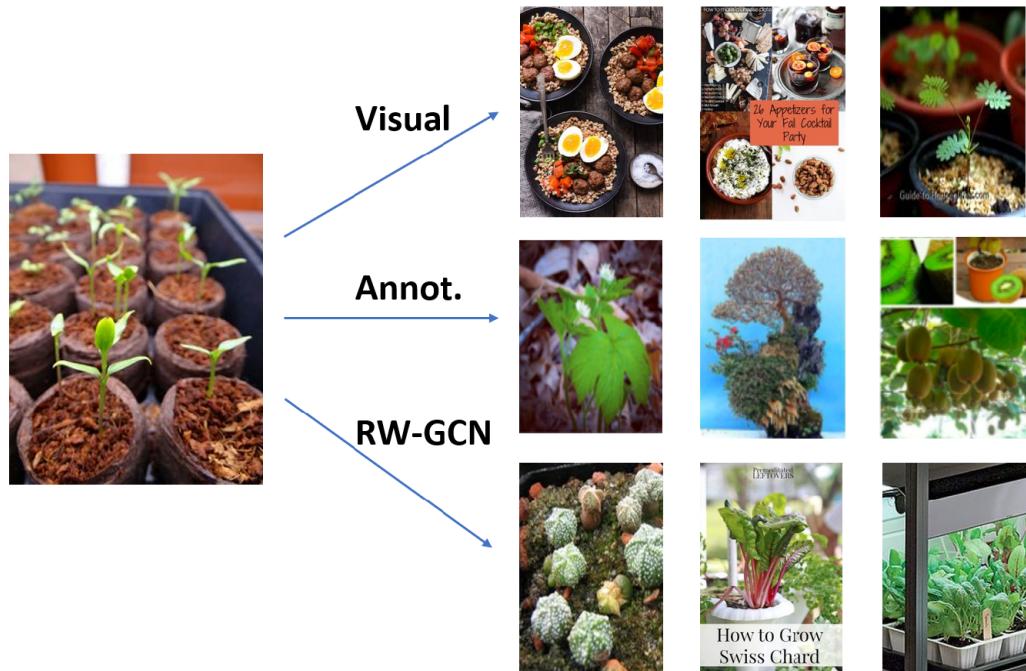
Set-up: Rank true “next-clicked” pin against 10^9 other candidates.



MRR: Mean reciprocal rank of true example.

Baselines: Deep content-based models

Example Recommendations



Decagon:

A Graph Convolutional Approach to Polypharmacy Side Effects

Based on material from:

- Zitnik et al. 2018. [Modeling polypharmacy side effects with graph convolutional networks.](#) *Bioinformatics & ISMB.*

Polypharmacy Side Effects

Goal: Predict side effects of taking multiple drugs.

Individual medications



Patient's side effects

No side effect



No side effect

Drug combination



Polypharmacy side effect



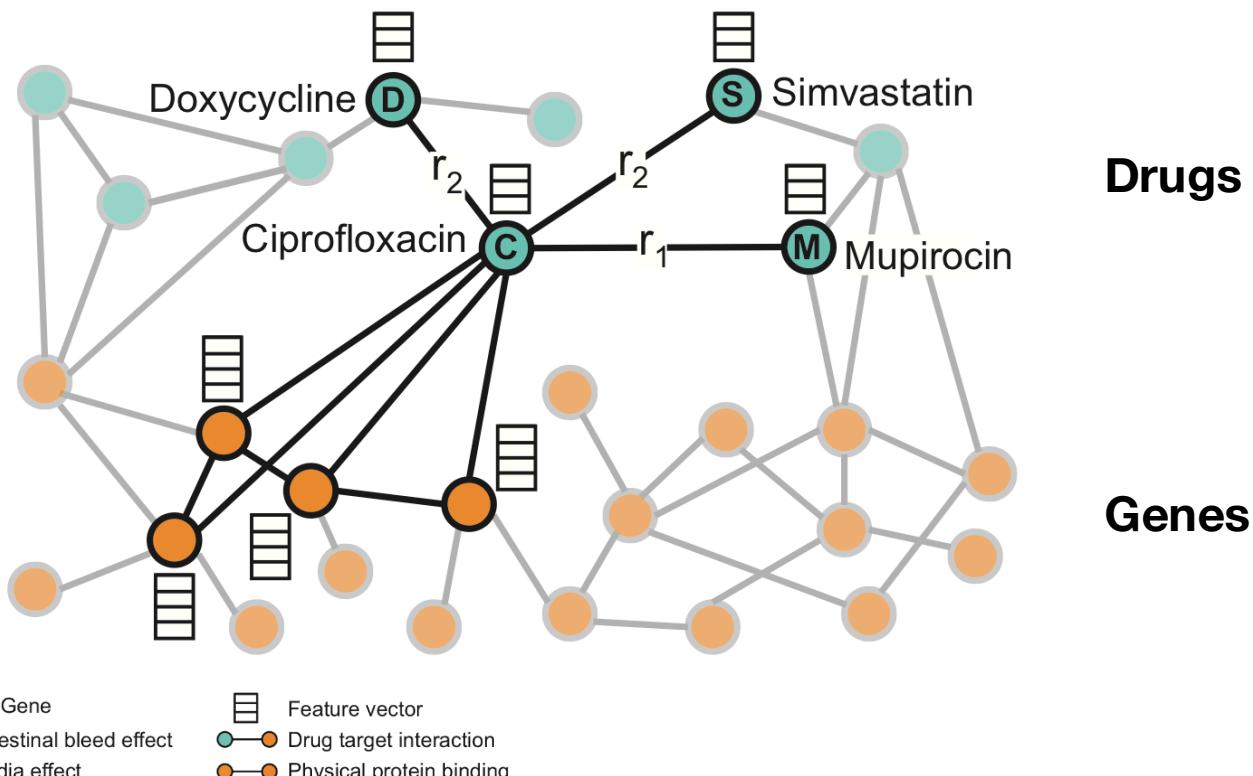
Polypharmacy Side Effects

- Polypharmacy is common to treat complex diseases and co-existing conditions
- High risk of side effects due to interactions
- **15%** of the U.S. population affected
- Annual costs exceed **\$177 billion**
- Difficult to identify manually:
 - Rare, occur only in a subset of patients
 - Not observed in clinical testing

Modeling Polypharmacy

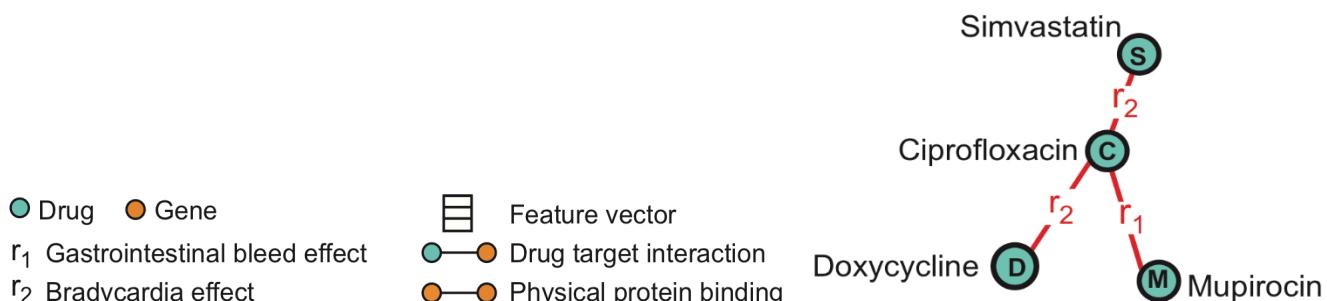
- Systematic experimental screening of drug interactions is challenging
- Idea: Computationally screen/predict polypharmacy side effects
 - Use molecular, pharmacological and patient population data
 - Guide strategies for combination treatments in patients

Data: Heterogeneous Graphs

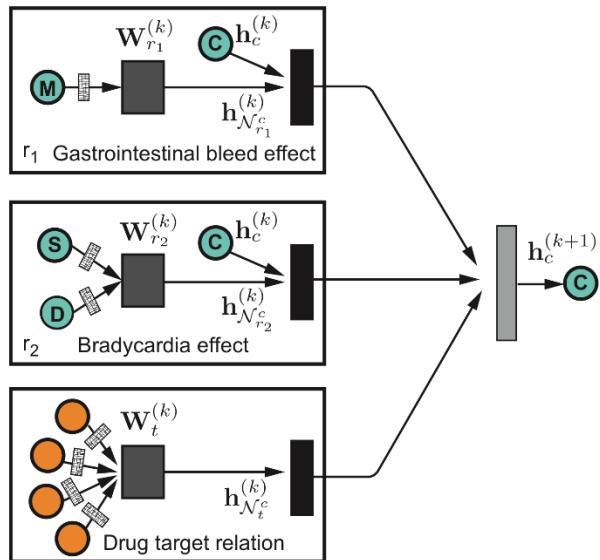
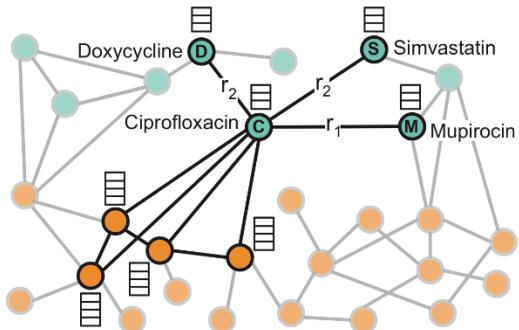


Task Description

- Predict **labeled edges** between drugs
 - i.e., predict the likelihood that an edge (c, r_2, s) exists
- **Meaning:** Drug combination (c, s) leads to polypharmacy side effect r_2



Neural Architecture: Encoder



- **Input:** graph, additional node features
- **Output:** node embeddings

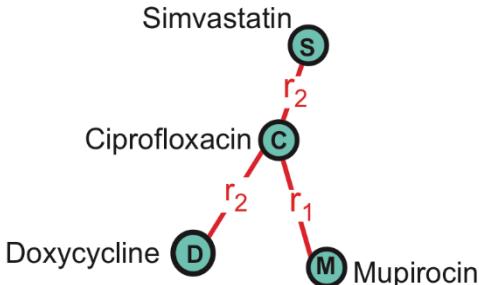
● Drug ● Gene

r_1 Gastrointestinal bleed effect
 r_2 Bradycardia effect

■ Feature vector

●—● Drug target interaction
●—○ Physical protein binding

Making Edge Predictions



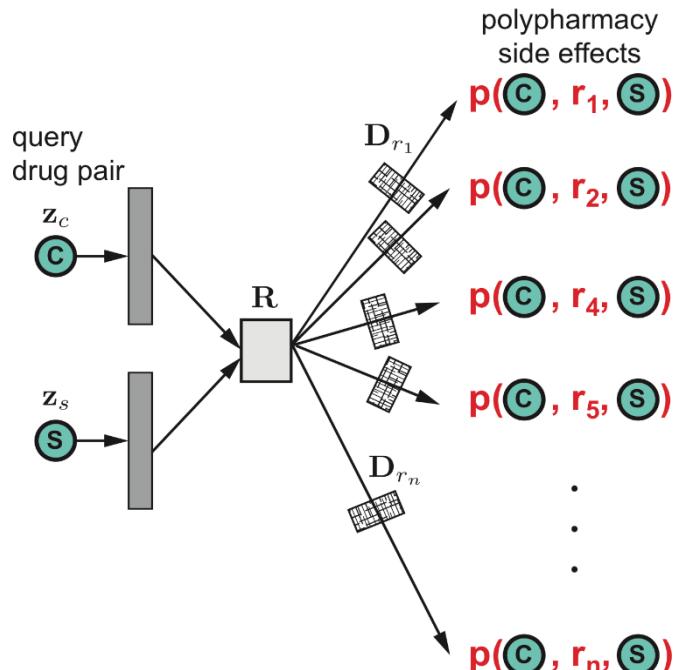
- **Input:** Query drug pairs and their embeddings
- **Output:** predicted edges

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Experimental Setup

- **Data:**
 - Molecular: protein-protein interactions and drug target relationships
 - Patient data: Side effects of individual drugs, polypharmacy side effects of drug combinations
- **Setup:**
 - Construct a heterogeneous graph of all the data
 - Train: Fit a model to predict known associations of drug pairs and polypharmacy side effects
 - Test: Given a query drug pair, predict candidate polypharmacy side effects

Prediction Performance

	AUROC	AUPRC	AP@50
Decagon (3-layer)	0.834	0.776	0.731
Decagon (2-layer)	0.809	0.762	0.713
RESCAL	0.693	0.613	0.476
Node2vec	0.725	0.708	0.643
Drug features	0.736	0.722	0.679

- Up to **54% improvement** over baselines
- First opportunity to computationally flag polypharmacy side effects **for follow-up analyses**

Practical Insights

GraphSAGE TensorFlow Ex.

- **A quick example:** Using GraphSAGE for a supervised node classification task.
- Key steps:
 1. Preprocess network and training data.
 2. Run GraphSAGE

GraphSAGE TensorFlow Ex.

■ Preprocessing

```
from networkx.readwrite import json_graph  
import json  
import numpy as np
```

```
Data = json_graph.node_link_data(G)  
with open('data-G.json') as f:  
    f.write(json.dumps(data))
```

Save graph

```
class_map = {nodes[i]: labels[i] for i in range(len(nodes))}  
with open('data-class_map.json') as f:  
    f.write(json.dumps(data))
```

Save labels

```
id_map = {nodes[i]: i for i in range(len(nodes))}  
with open('data-id_map.json') as f:  
    f.write(json.dumps(data))
```

Save nodes

```
np.save(feats, 'data-feats.npy')
```

Save features

GraphSAGE TensorFlow Ex.

- Example: PPI data (available in GraphSAGE repo)
- Run both training and evaluation (random split of data)

```
ppi-G.json  
ppi-class_map.json  
ppi-feats.npy  
ppi-id_map.json  
ppi-walks.txt
```

```
python -m graphsage.utils ppi-G.json ppi-walks.txt  
python -m graphsage.supervised_train --train_prefix=./ --model=graphsage_mean
```

- Alternative models:
 - gcn, graphsage_seq, graphsage_maxpool
- Easy to customize using Tensorflow

Future Directions

(Sub)graph embedding

- Existing approaches
 - Pool learned node embeddings via element-wise max/mean/sum
 - Add a “virtual” node representing the entire (sub)graph
- Is there better pooling strategy?
 - Handle massive graphs?
 - Learn “coarsened” representations?

Dynamic graphs

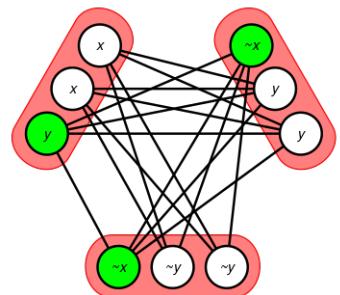
- Many graphs evolve over time:
 - Recommender systems
 - Financial transaction and event graphs
 - Social networks
- Applications:
 - Predict graph evolution
 - Anomaly detection (e.g., fraud)

Dynamic graphs

- Challenges:
 - How to efficiently and incrementally update the learned representations?
 - How to incorporate edge timing?
 - How to “forget” old/irrelevant info?

Combinatorial Applications

- Efficient SAT solvers via graph embeddings ([Selsam et al., 2018](#)).
- Learn embeddings of clause and literals (form a bipartite graph)
- **Graph embeddings for neural theorem proving?**



Reinforcement Learning

- **Idea:** Allow agents to use node embedding information to make decisions
- **So far:** Used for combinatorial optimization ([Dai et al., 2017](#)) and question answering ([Das et al., 2018](#))
- **New directions:**
 - Game playing?
 - Graph representations of dialogue state?

Using Graph Neural Networks

- **Popular Code Bases:**

- GCN (Tensorflow):

<https://github.com/tkipf/gcn/>

- GraphSAGE (Tensorflow):

<https://github.com/williamleif/GraphSAGE>

- GraphSAGE (PyTorch):

<https://github.com/williamleif/graphsage-simple/>

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