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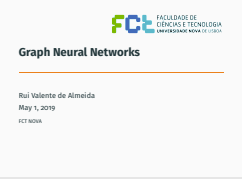

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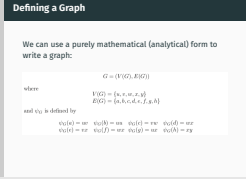

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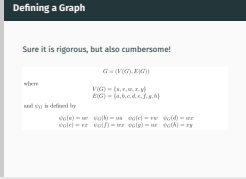

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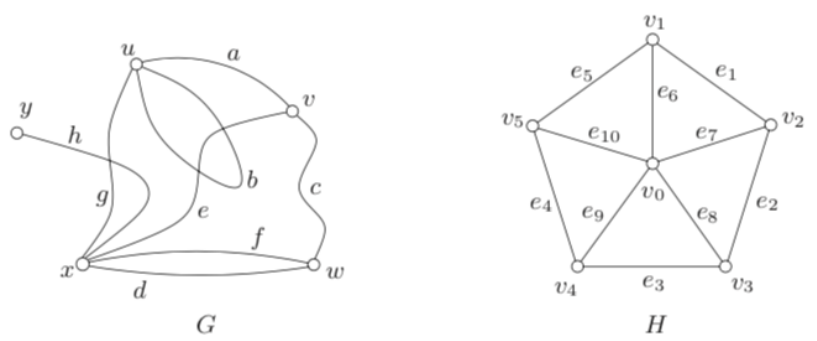

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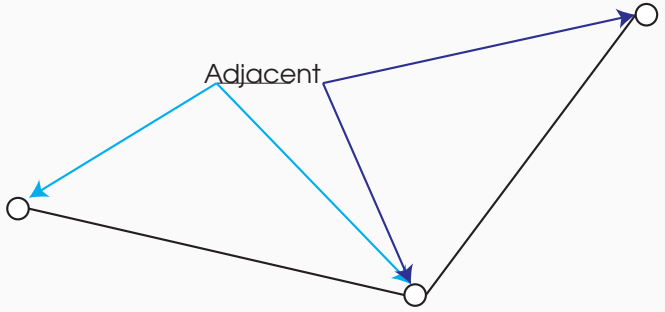

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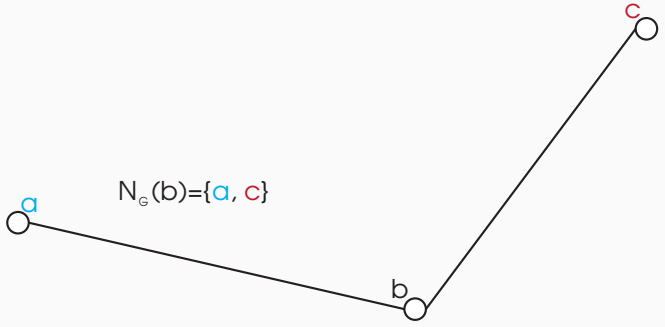

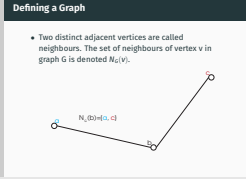

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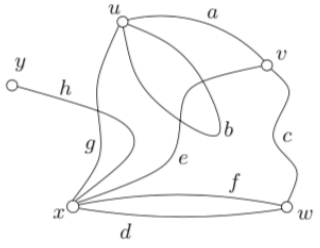

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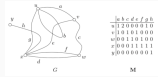

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This definition of convolution has a problem: is is computationally very heavy and many times prohibitively so. To circumvent this problem, some authors have suggested using polynomial expansions, such as Chebyshev's, to represent the matrices

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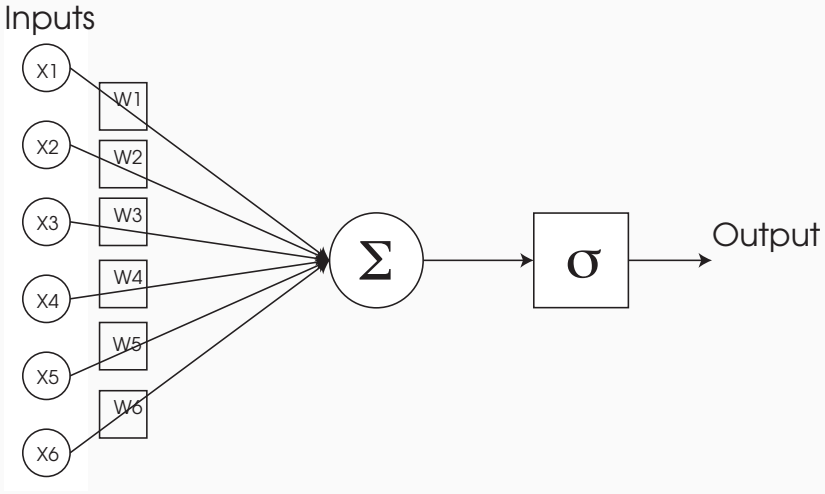

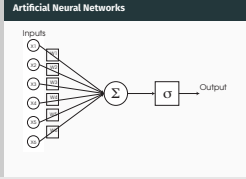

- ANNs stem from mathematical theories developed in the 1940s;
- The most basic form of modern ANN, the perceptron, was created in the 1950s;
- Back then, the structure had some problems, namely the fact that it could not compute the exclusive-or operation.
- Everything changed in the 1980s, when the backpropagation algorithm was invented.

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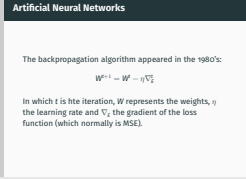

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- gradient descent is used to minimize the loss function;
- the learning rate parameterises GD so that we can escape or avoid local minima;
- with this algorithm, and the introduction of non-linearities like the sigmoid or the ReLu functions in the network, ANNs can literally approximate any function.

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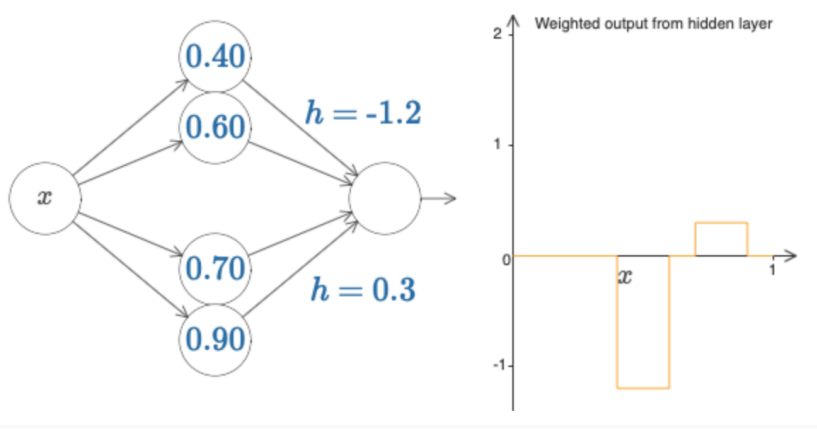
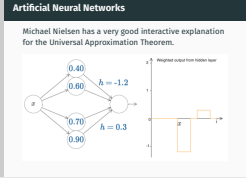
Michael Nielsen has a very good interactive explanation for the Universal Approximation Theorem.





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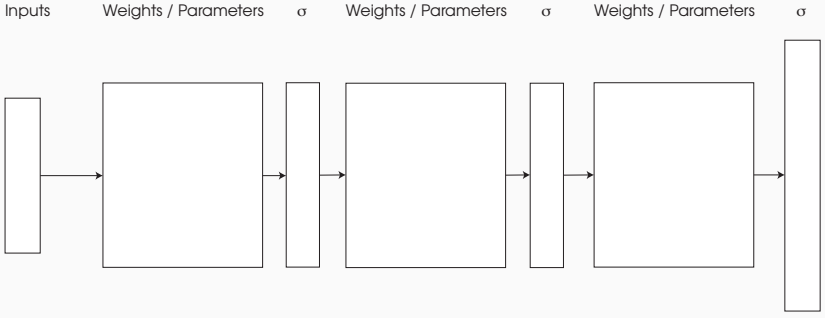

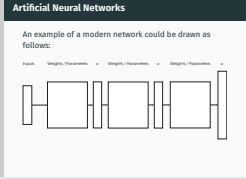

- ANNS are just a stack of linear and non linear operations that can approximate any problem in function form to any precision;
- They rely on simple matrix operations, like multiplication and convolution

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- In Euclidean data, spatial structure is well and hard defined;
- We always know the distance between one ”node” and the next;
- in graphs and non-euclidean data, this is not true –it is highly irregular
- So if we want to classify graphs..how do we do it?

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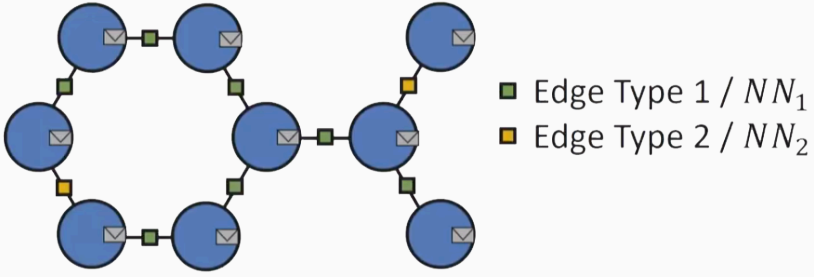

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Edge Type 1 / NN_1
Edge Type 2 / NN_2

- Consider a feature vector for each node;
- Consider each feature as a message (remember envelope);
- Each ”message” is passed to the next iteration order neighbour of every node;
- In the end, messages are summed and classified;

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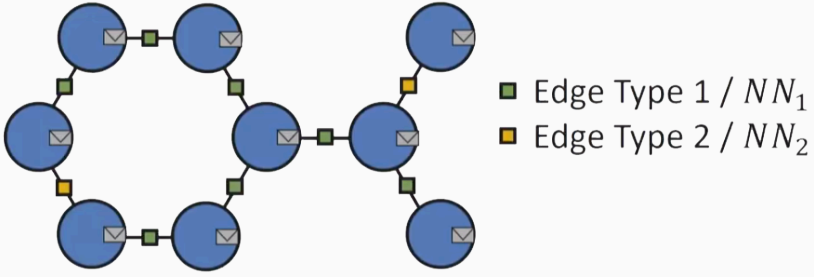

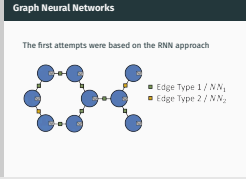

- In this model, information decays too rapidly with node distance (exponential deacy)
- Next models were Gated Recurrent Units, which addressed this deacying problem
- In the mean time, some models appeared which instead of RNNs, were based in convolution and CNN approach.
- In fact, Gilmer et al claim that GCNs and GRNN are the same thing, and generalise it using two operating moments;

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- Spectral based systems introduce filters as in graph signal Processing
- Spatial based systems see convolutions as aggregating feature information from neighbours.
- The first types of GNN were spatial based GCN
- In 2016, a paper appeared which generalises both types of GNN, with a method called Message passing graph neural networks;

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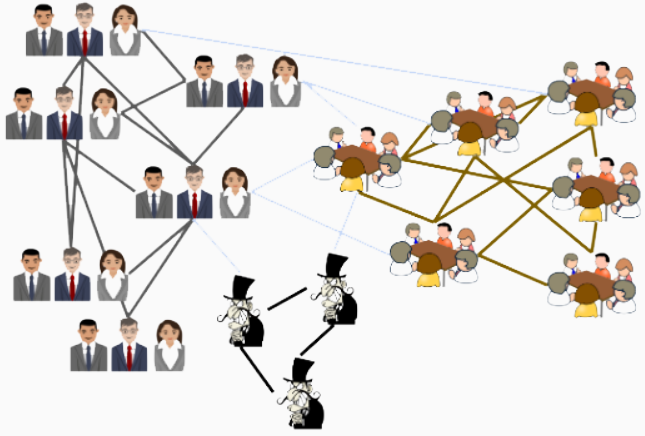

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- Social relationship analysis;
- Semantic segmentation;
- We present some of the main applications of AI in graphs;

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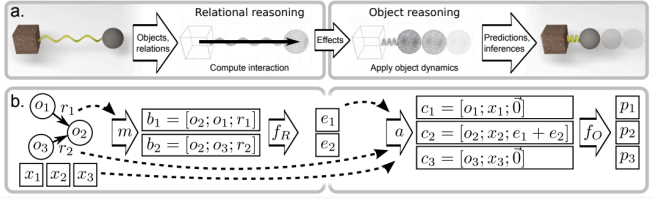

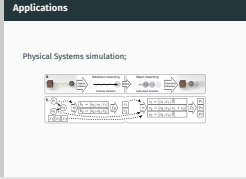

- This system was developed in x and Y;
- It tries to simulate and predict interactions between physical bodies;
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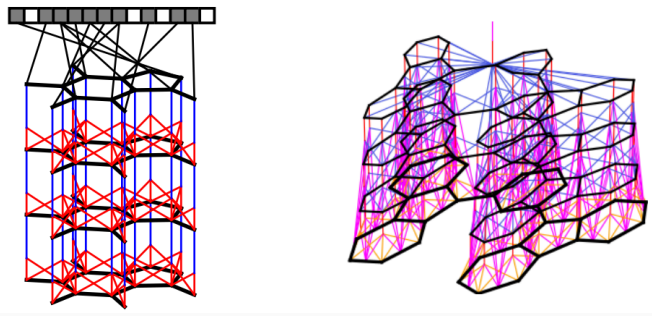

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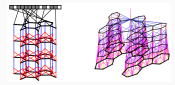

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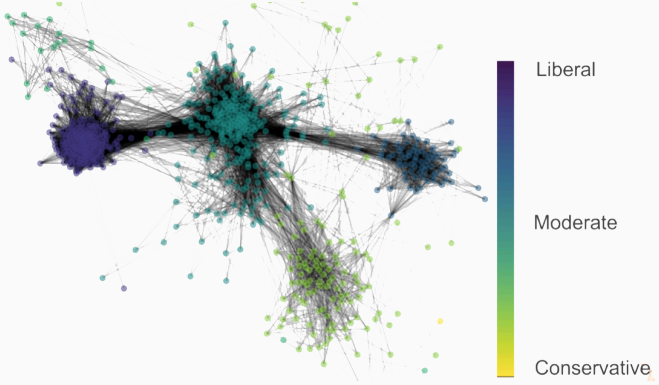

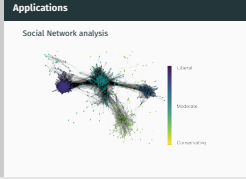

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