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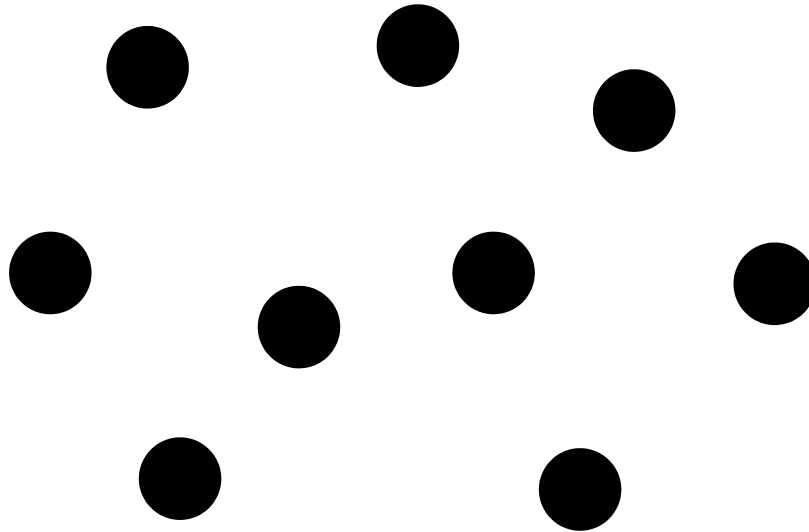
Introduction to Deep Learning for Engineers

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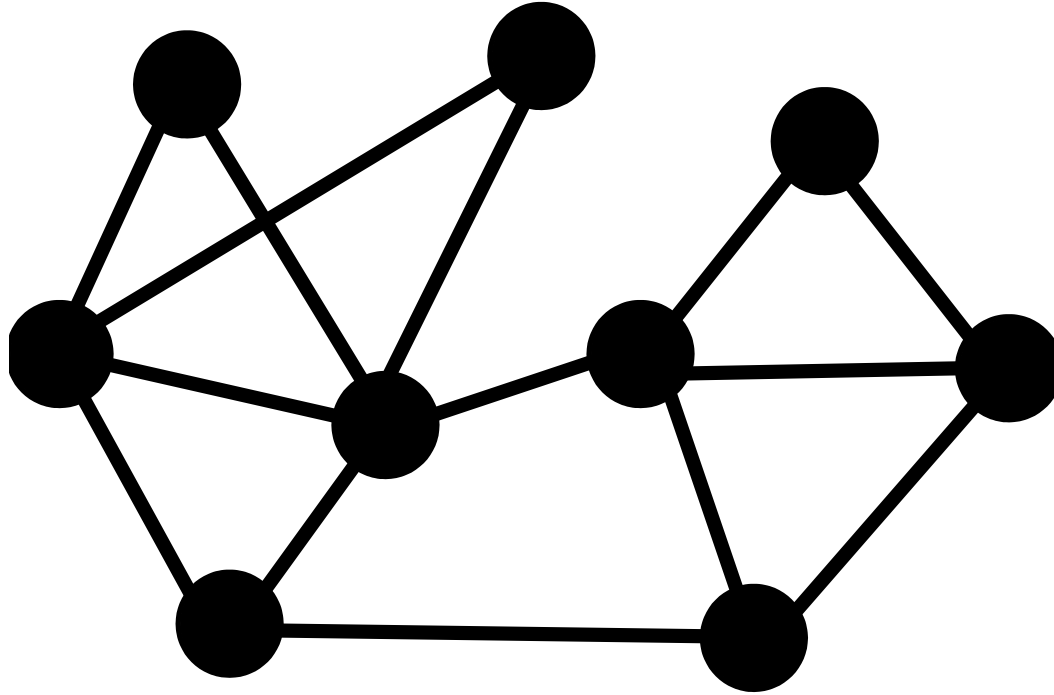
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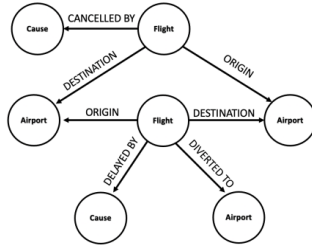


Relations between Data



Graphs

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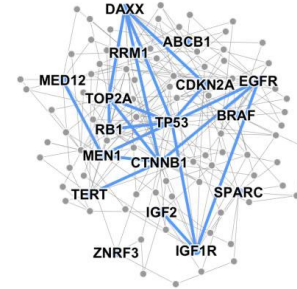


Event Graphs



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Computer Networks



Disease Pathways

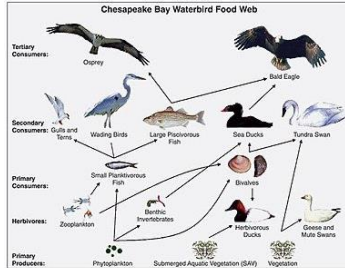


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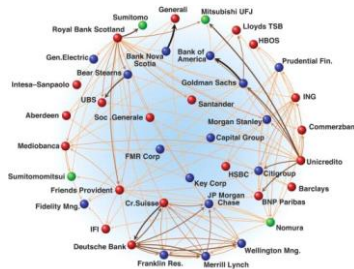


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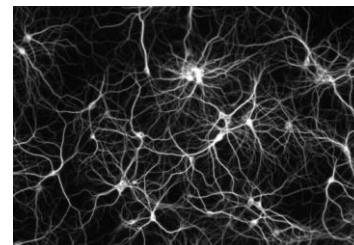


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Networks of Neurons

Relations between Data

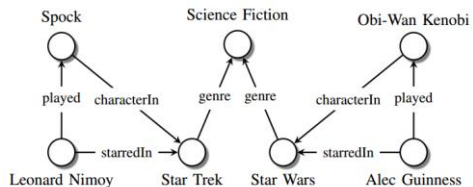


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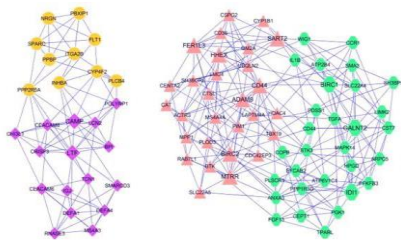


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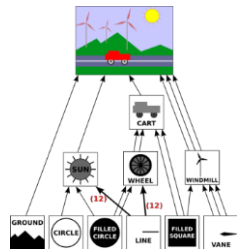


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Knowledge Graphs

Regulatory Networks

Scene Graphs

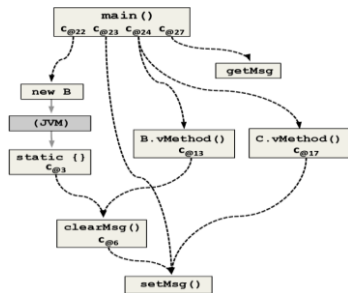


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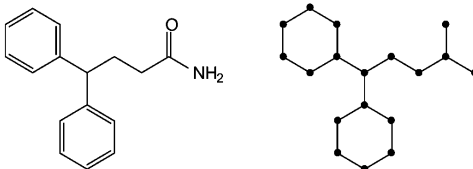


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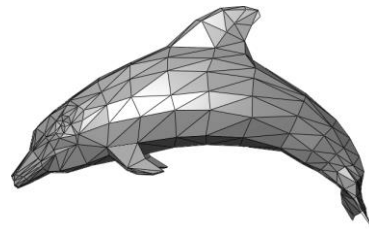


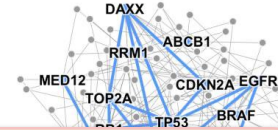
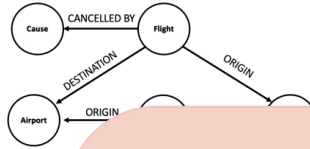
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Code Graphs

Molecules

3D Shapes

Relations between Data



How can we learn the
relationship between data?

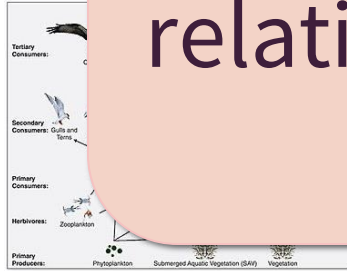


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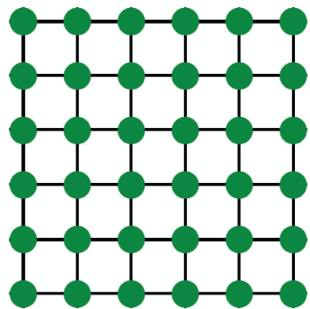
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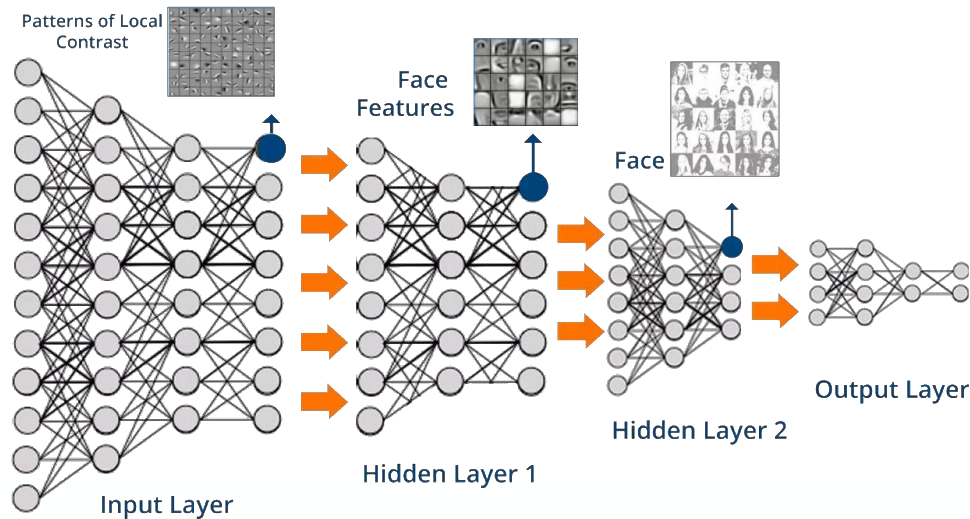
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Underground Networks

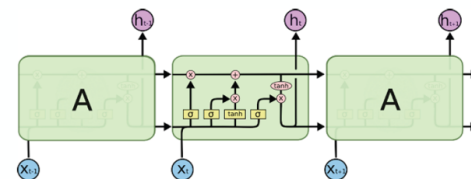
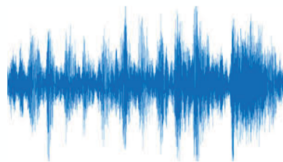
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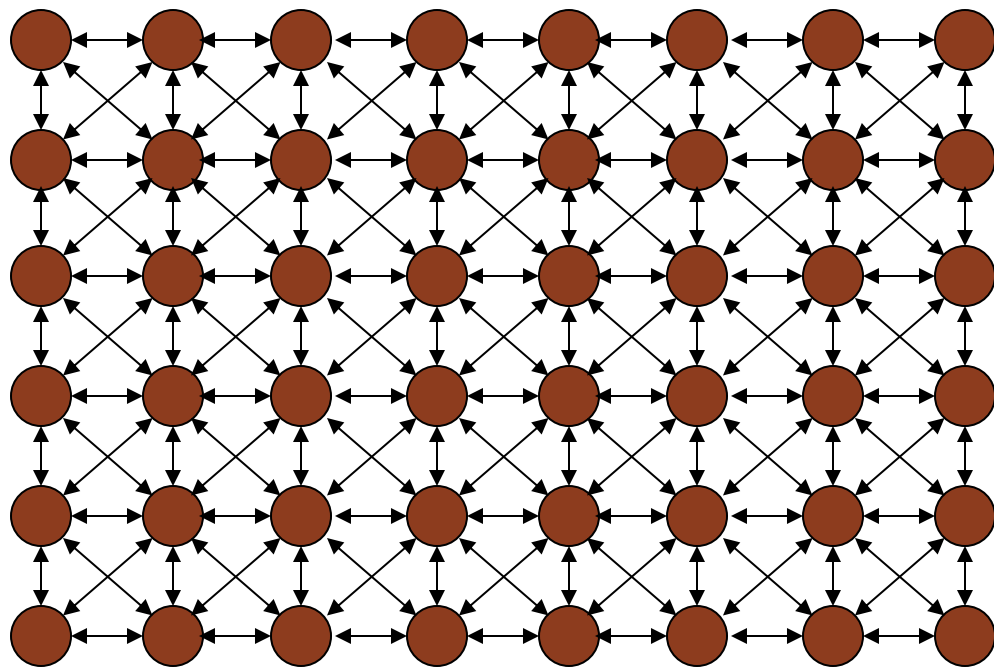
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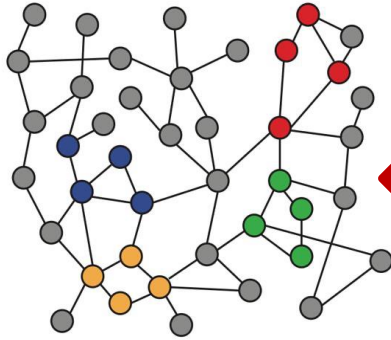
Text/Speech



A Very Regular Graph, representing an image

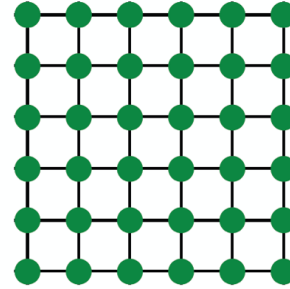


Networks are complex



Networks

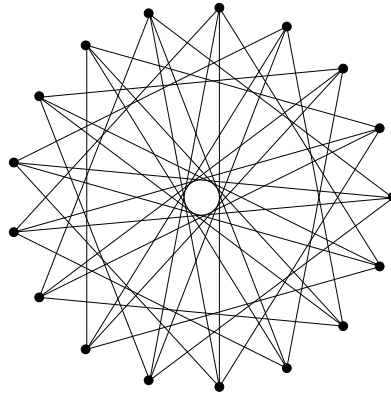
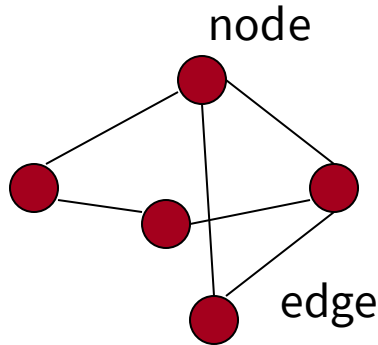
VS.



Images



Text

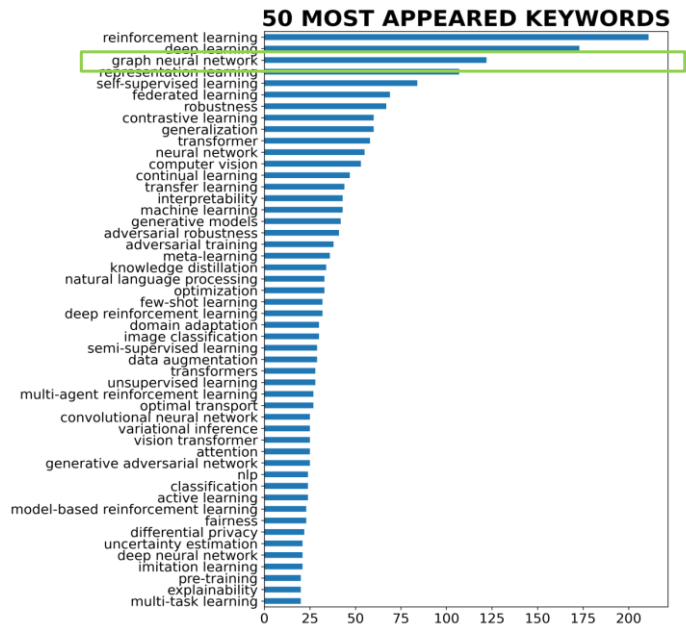


An introduction to Graph Neural Networks

Graphs are the new frontier of deep learning

Graphs connect things.

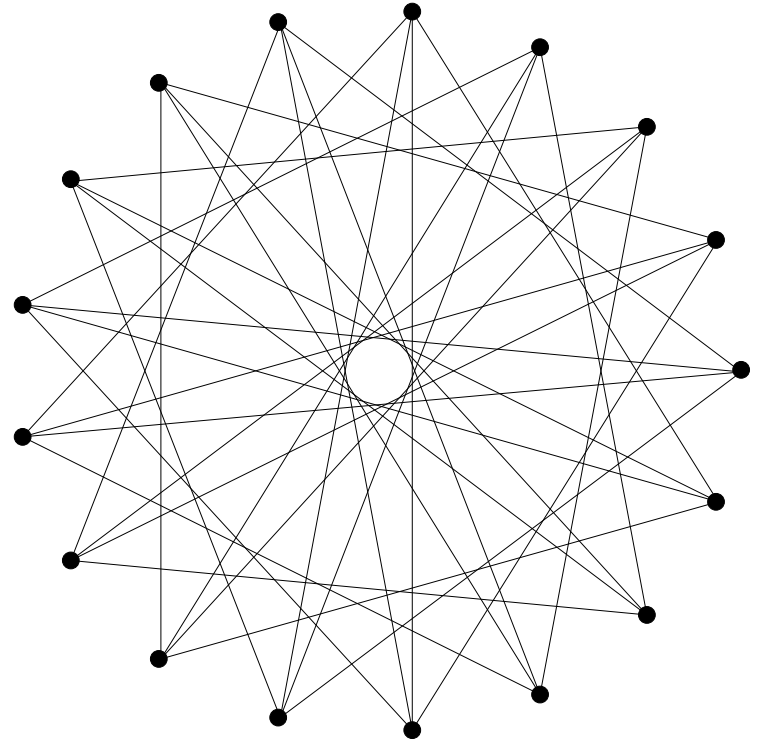
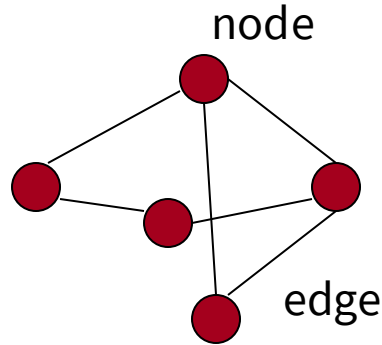
ICLR 2022 keywords



Graphs

GRAPHS ARE COMPOSED OF

- Nodes (vertices)
- Edges (arcs)
- $G(V,E)$



Varieties

NODES

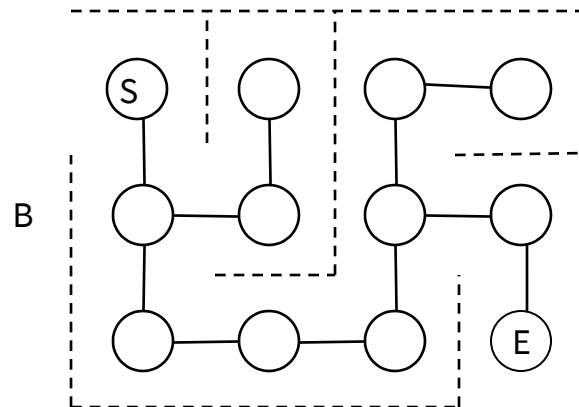
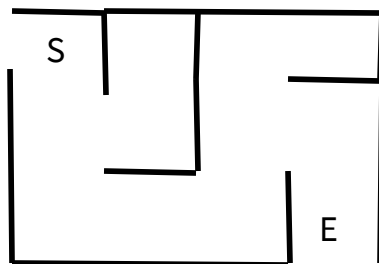
- Labeled or unlabeled

EDGES

- Directed or undirected
- Labeled or unlabeled



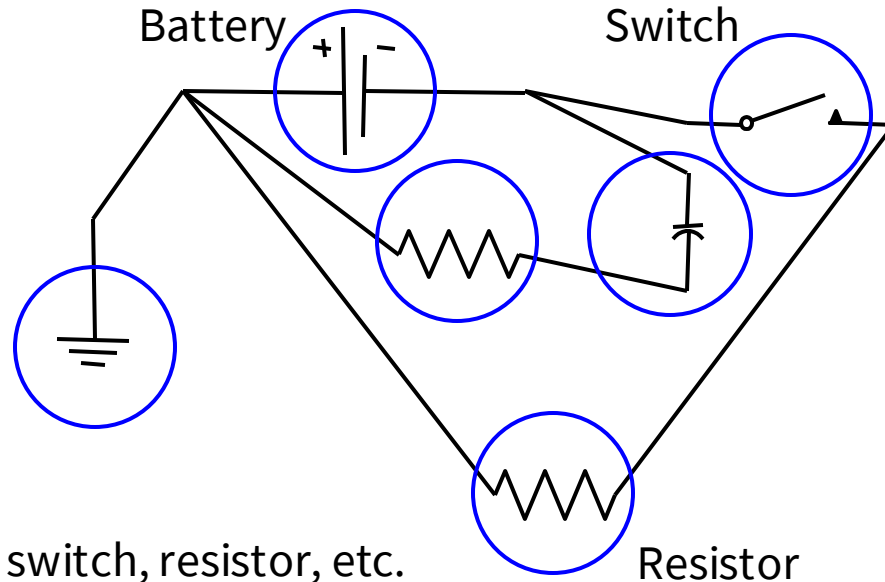
Representing a Maze



Nodes = rooms

Edge = door or passage

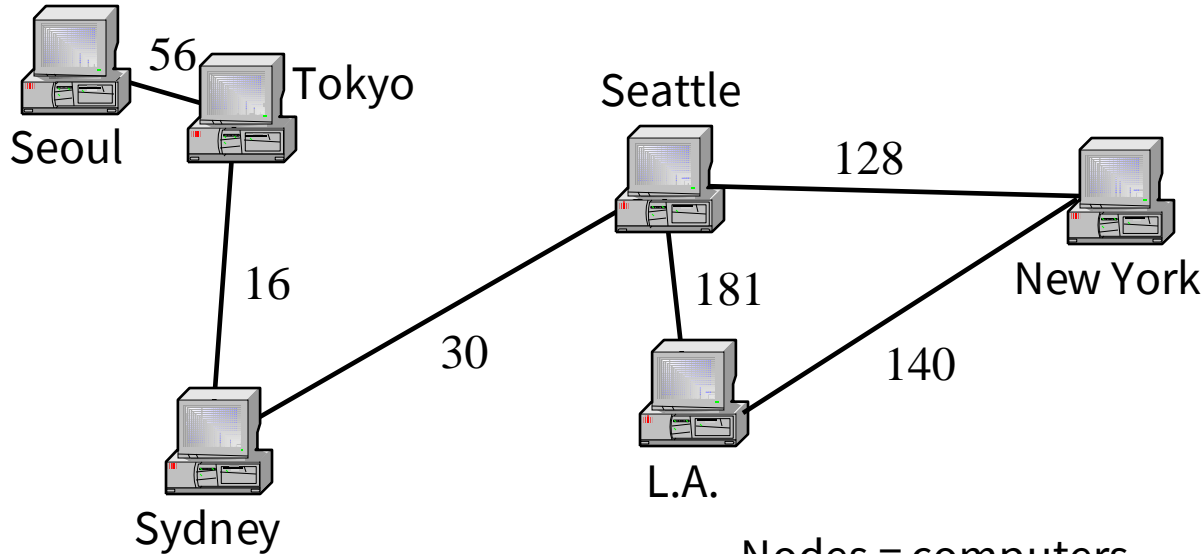
Representing Electrical Circuits



Nodes = battery, switch, resistor, etc.

Edges = connections

Information Transmission in a Computer Network



Nodes = computers

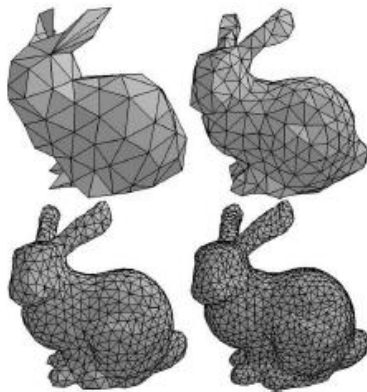
Edges = transmission rates

Non-Euclidean data structure

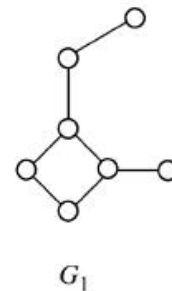
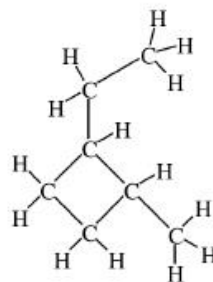
HOWEVER, there are lots of irregular data structure, ...



Social Graph
(Facebook, Wikipedia)



3D Mesh

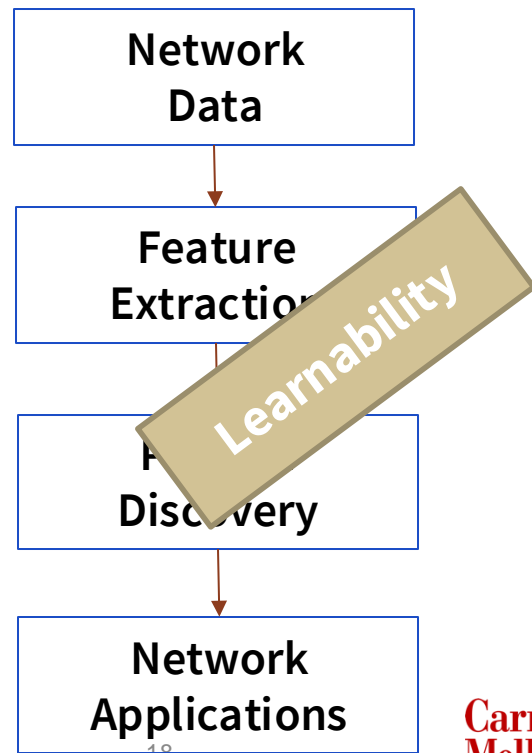
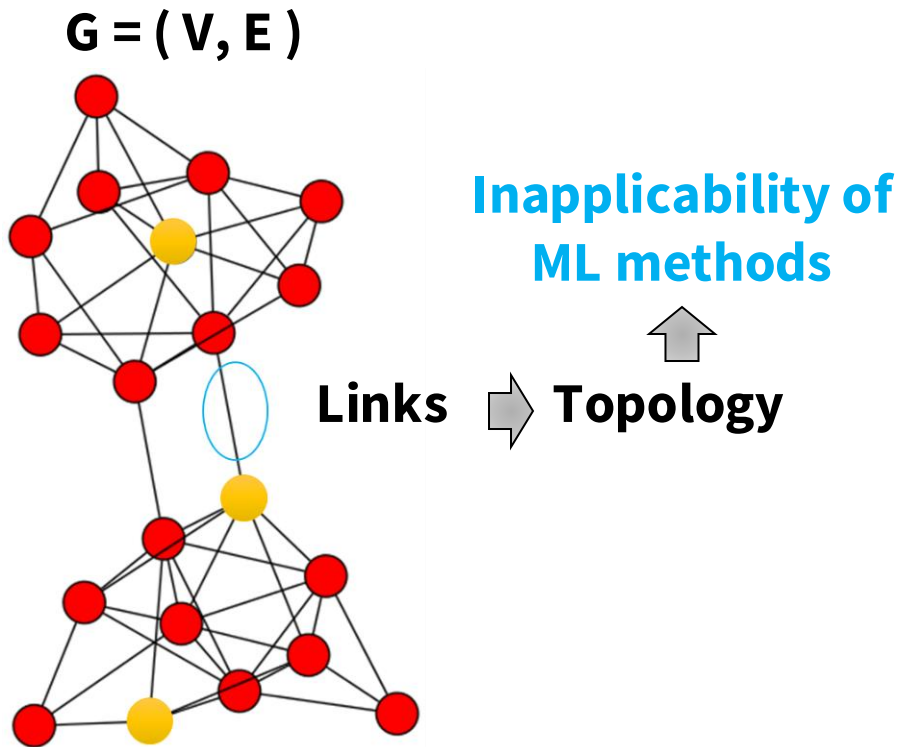


Molecular Graph

All you need is **GRAPH!**

Networks are not learning-friendly

Pipeline for network analysis

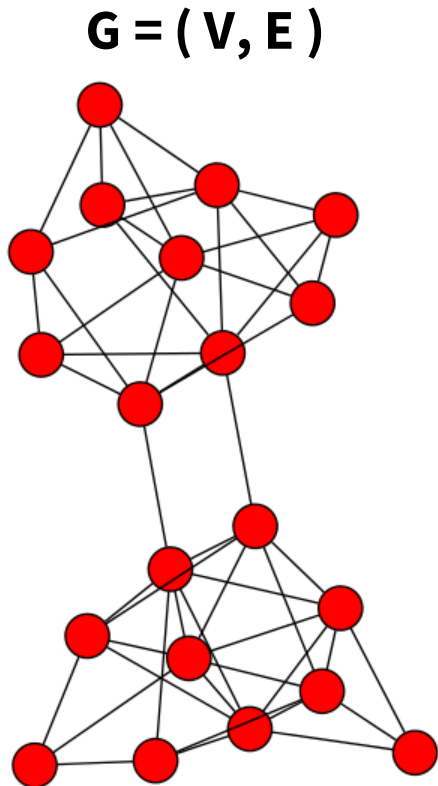


Learning from networks

**Network
Embedding**

GNN

Network Embedding

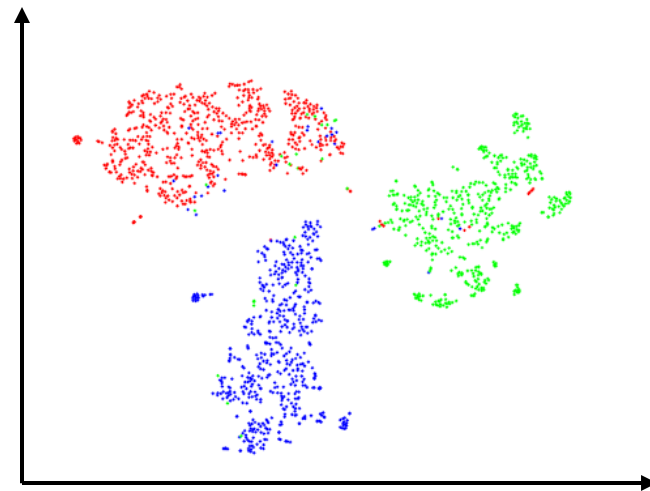


generate

embed

$G = (V)$

Vector Space

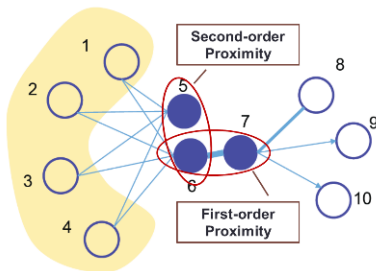


- Easy to parallel
- Can apply classical ML methods

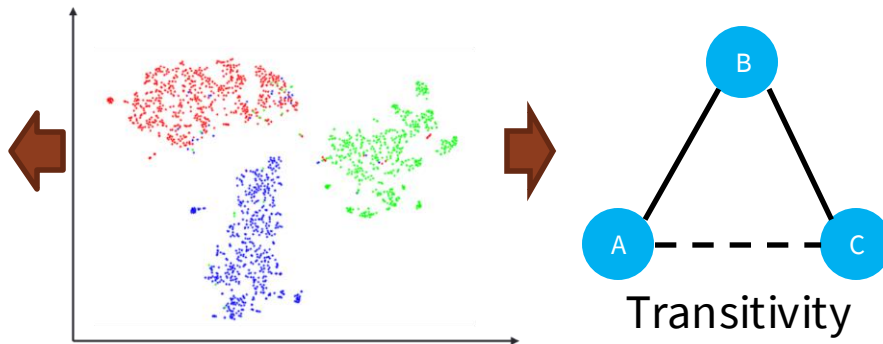
The goal of network embedding

Goal Support network inference in vector space

Reflect network
structure



Maintain network
properties



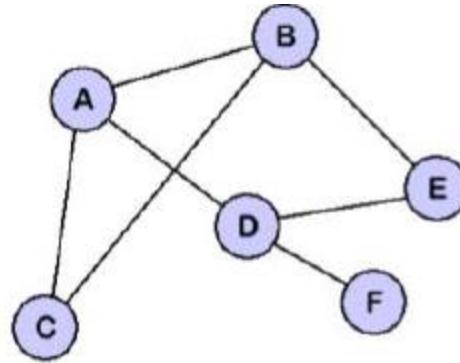
Transform network nodes into vectors that are fit for
off-the-shelf machine learning models.

Graph structure

Graph = $G(X, \mathbf{A})$

A: Adjacency matrix

- Edges of a graph
- Connectivity, Relationship



0	1	1	1	0	0
1	0	1	0	1	0
1	1	0	0	0	0
1	0	0	0	1	1
0	1	0	1	0	0
0	0	0	1	0	0

Represent relationship or interaction between elements of the system

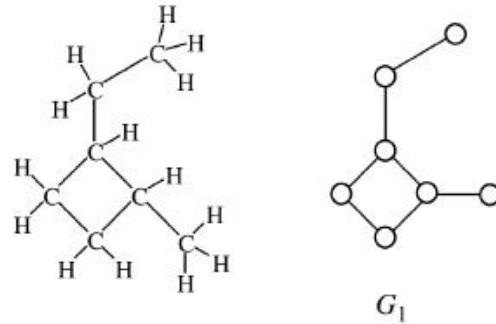
Graph structure

Graph = $G(\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{A})$

\mathbf{X} : Node, Vertex

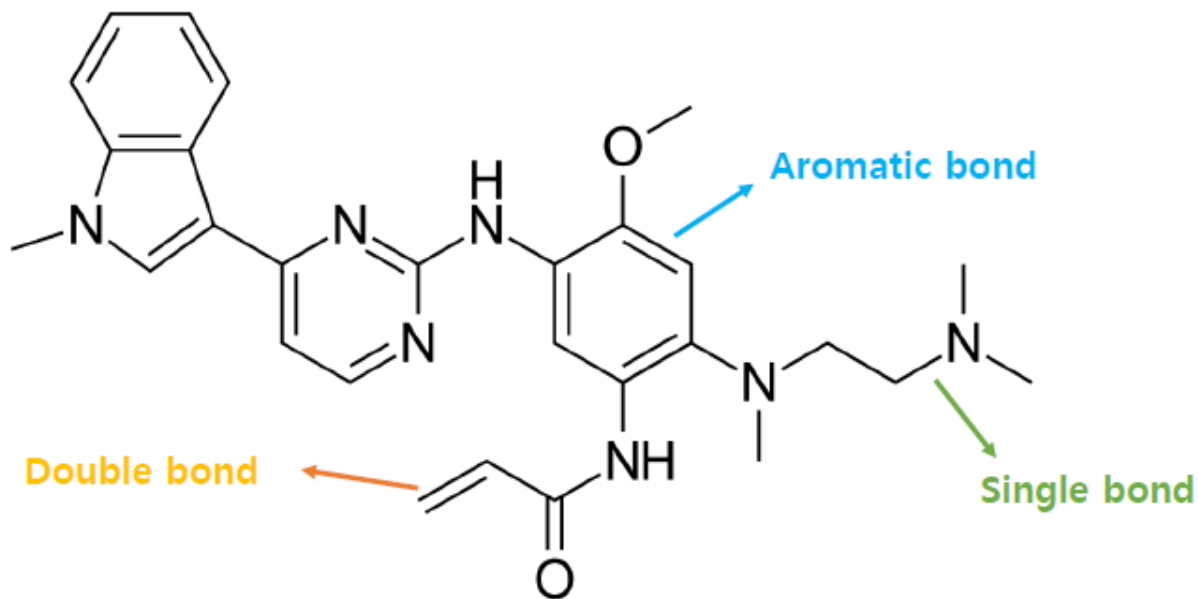
- Individual person in a social network
- Atoms in a molecule

Represent elements of a system

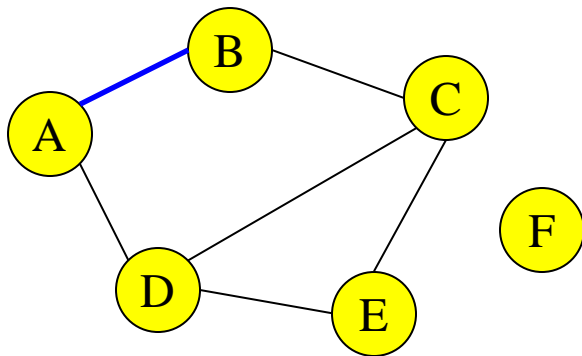


Graph structure

Edge features



Adjacency Matrix



	A	B	C	D	E	F
A	0	1	0	1	0	0
B	1	0	1	0	0	0
C	0	1	0	1	1	0
D	1	0	1	0	1	0
E	0	0	1	1	0	0
F	0	0	0	0	0	0

Graph Embedding

Graph embedding is an approach that is used to transform nodes, edges, and their features into vector space (a lower dimension) **whilst maximally preserving properties like graph structure and information.**

Graphs are complex because they can vary in terms of their scale, specificity, and subject

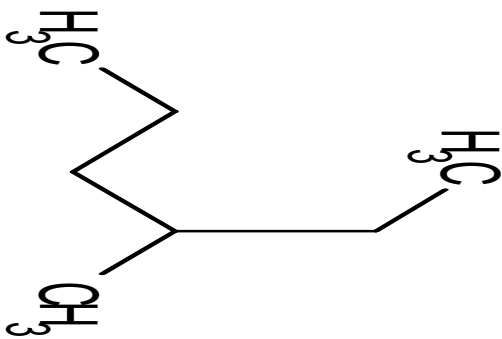
A molecule can be represented as a small, sparse, and static graph, whereas a social network could be represented by a large, dense, and dynamic graph.



An example: Molecule

A molecular structure can be interpreted as a mathematical graph where each atom is a node, and each bond is an edge.

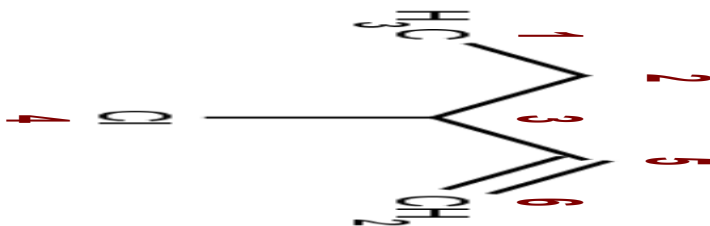
Such a representation allows for the mathematical processing of molecular structures using the graph theory



Adjacency Matrix

A molecular structure with n atoms may be represented by an $n \times n$ matrix (H-atoms are often omitted)


Adjacency matrix : indicates which atoms are bonded.



1	2	3	4	5	6
0	1	0	0	0	0
1	0	1	0	0	0
0	1	0	1	0	0
0	0	1	0	1	0
0	0	0	1	0	0
0	0	0	0	1	1

Distance Matrix

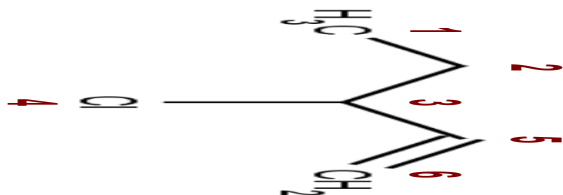
Distance matrix : encodes the distances between atoms.
The distance is defined as the number of bonds between atoms on the shortest possible path.



1	2	3	4	5	6
1	0	1	2	3	4
2	1	0	1	2	3
3	2	1	0	1	1
4	3	2	1	0	2
5	3	2	1	2	0
6	4	3	2	3	1

Bond Matrix

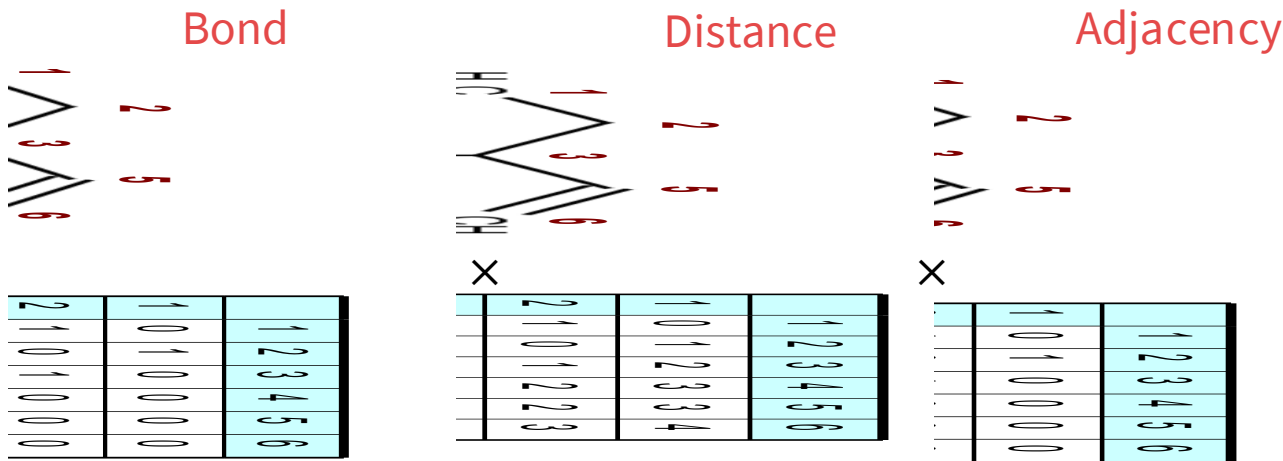
Bond matrix : indicates which atoms are bonded, and the corresponding bond orders.



1	2	3	4	5	6
1	0	1	0	0	0
2	1	0	1	0	0
3	0	1	0	1	0
4	0	0	1	0	0
5	0	1	0	2	0
6	0	0	0	2	0

A*D*N: Topology Embedding

To create a single matrix for representation of topology, we can: $A*D*N=A'$



It will be an $N \times N$ matrix

Feature Matrix

Feature Matrix for molecules:

MolWt	
ExactMolWt	
HeavyAtomCount	
HeavyAtomMolWt	
NHOHCount	
NOCCount	
NumHAcceptors	
NumHDonors	
NumHeteroatoms	
NumRotatableBonds	
NumValenceElectrons	
NumAmideBonds	
Num{Aromatic,Saturated,Aliphatic}Rings	
Num{Aromatic,Saturated,Aliphatic}{Hetero,Carbo}cycles	
RingCount	
FractionCSP3	
NumSpiroAtoms	Number of spiro atoms (atoms shared between rings that share exactly one atom)
NumBridgeheadAtoms	Number of bridgehead atoms (atoms shared between rings that share at least two bonds)

3	4	5	6
0	0	0	0
1	0	0	0
1	0	1	0
1	0	0	0
1	0	2	0
0	0	0	0

v_1 v_2

1
0
4

3	0	1	0	1	1	0
4	0	0	1	0	0	0
5	0	0	1	0	0	2
6	0	0	0	0	2	0

1 2 3 4 5 6

×

1	2	3	4	5	6
1	0	1	0	0	0
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1 2 3 4 5 6

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1	2	3	4	5	6
1	0	1	2	3	4
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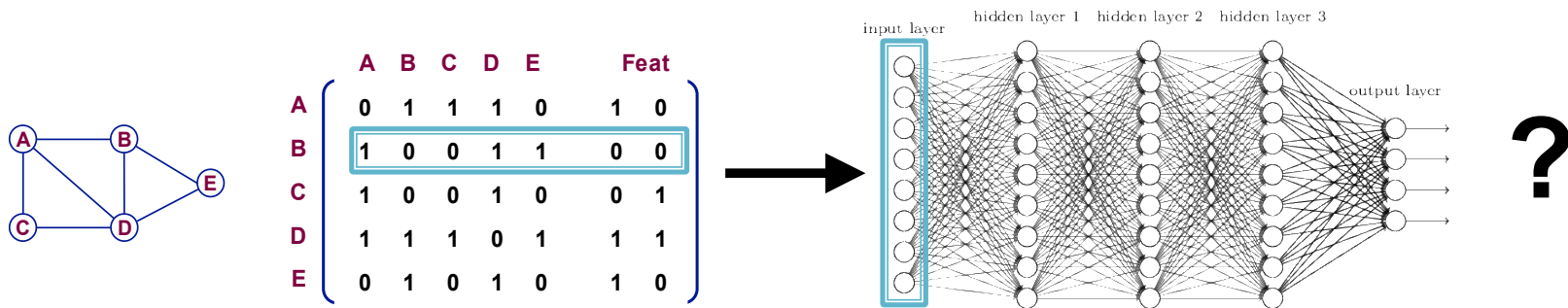
$$A_{(n,n)} \times F(f \text{ by } N)$$

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Learning for Networks vs. Learning via Graphs

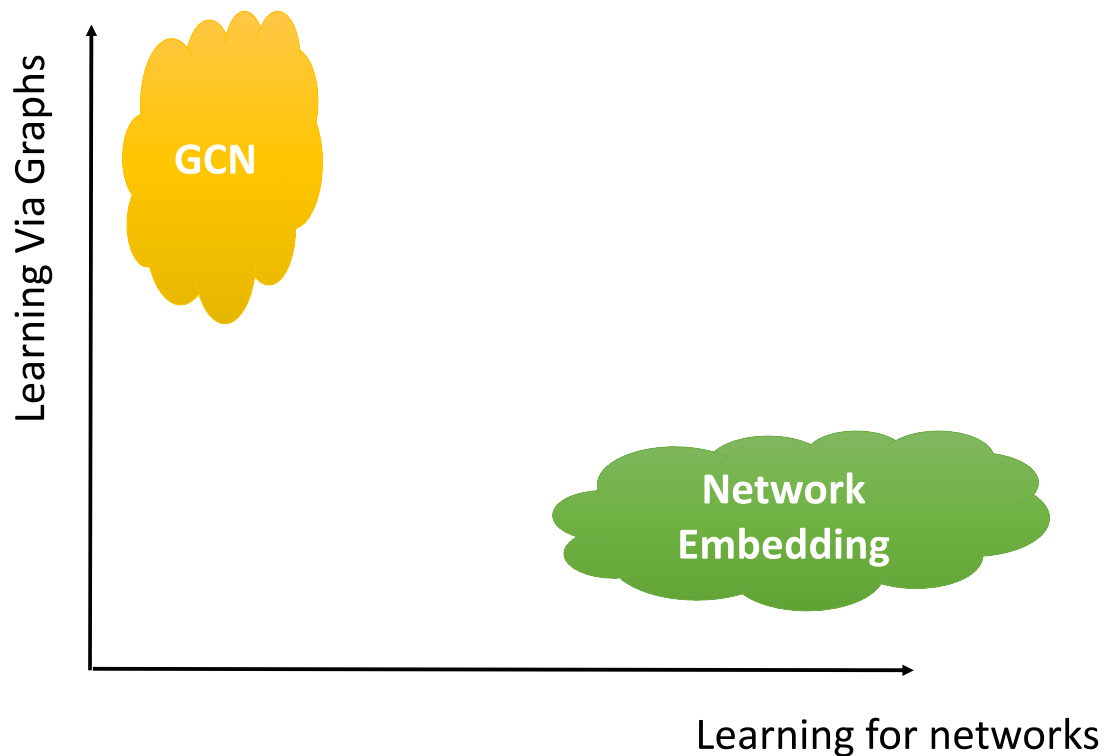
- Join adjacency matrix and features
- Feed them into a deep neural net:



- Issues with this idea:

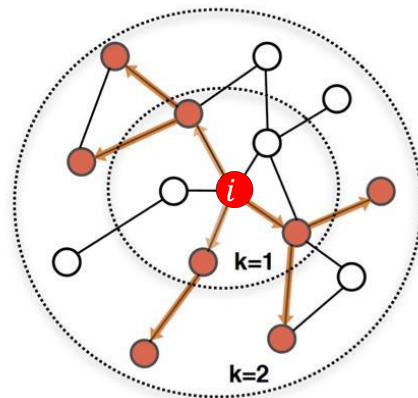
- $O(|V|)$ parameters
- Not applicable to graphs of different sizes
- Sensitive to node ordering

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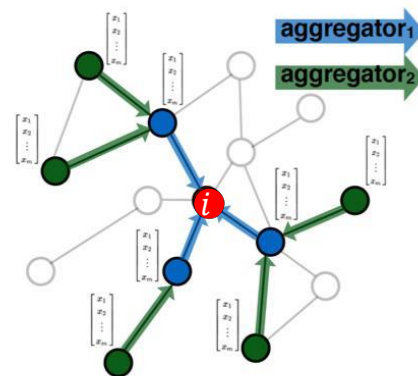


How can we learn via graph neural nets?

Idea: Node's neighborhood defines a computation graph



Determine node
computation graph

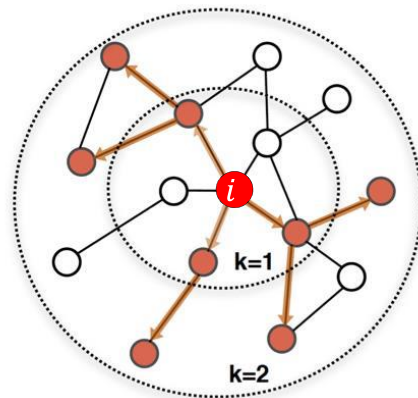


Propagate and
transform information

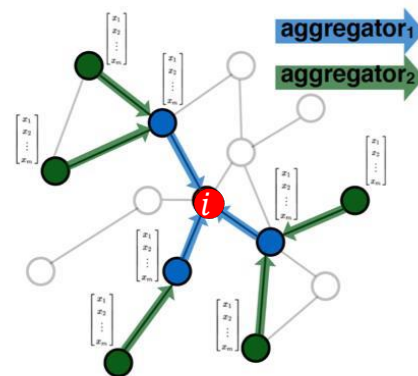
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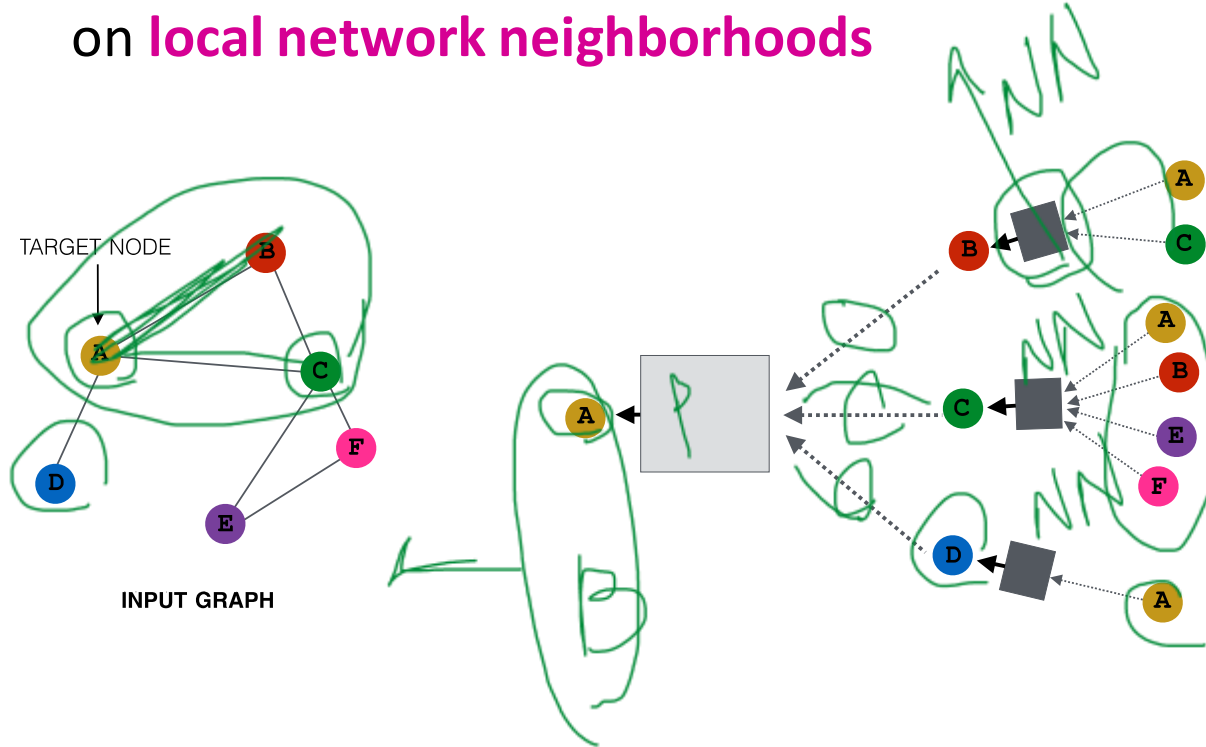


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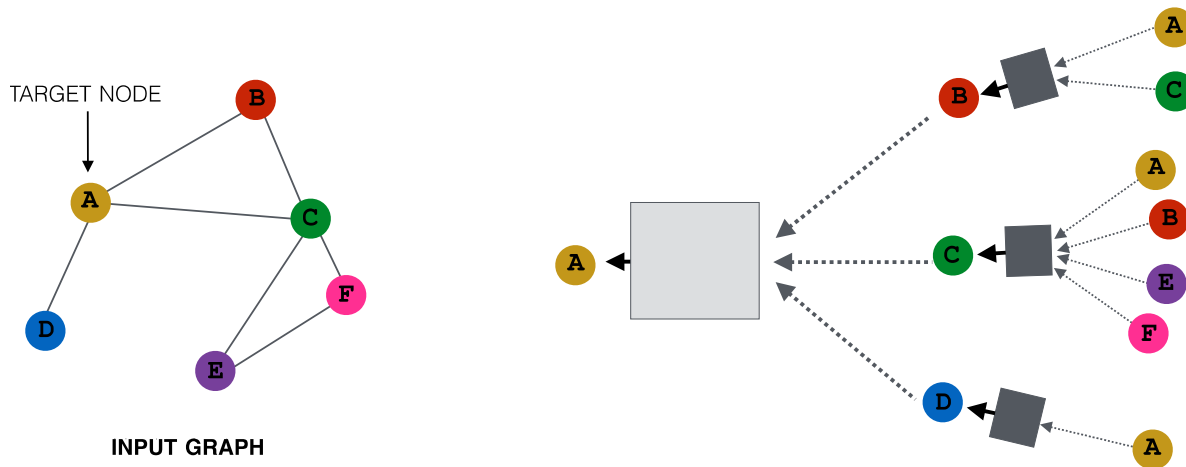
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- **Key idea:** Generate node embeddings based on **local network neighborhoods**



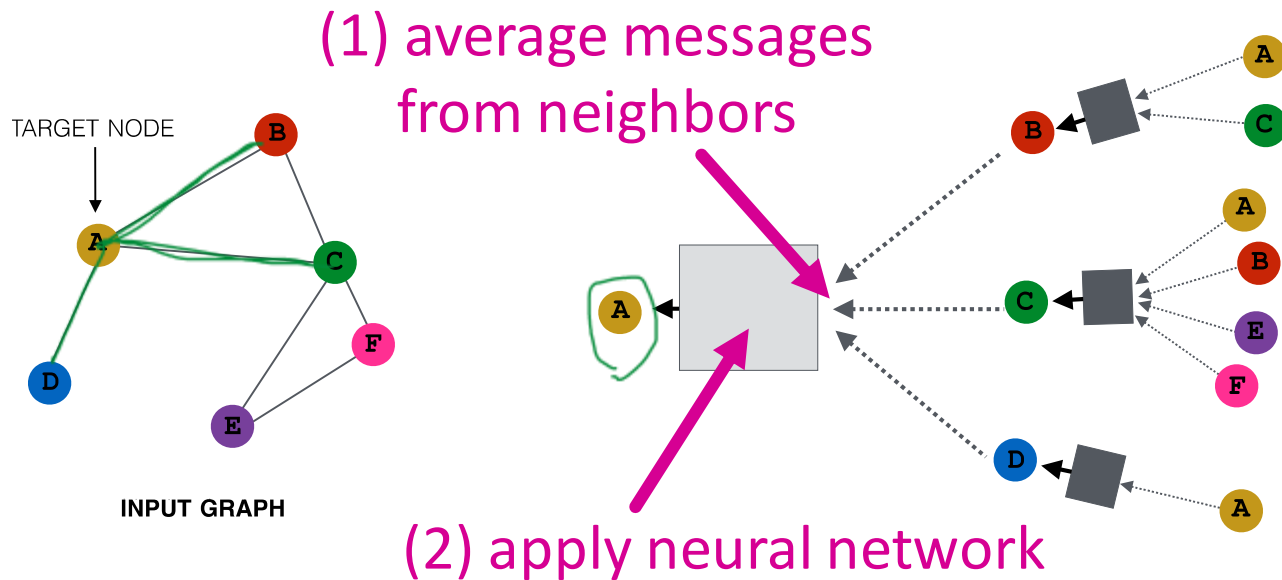
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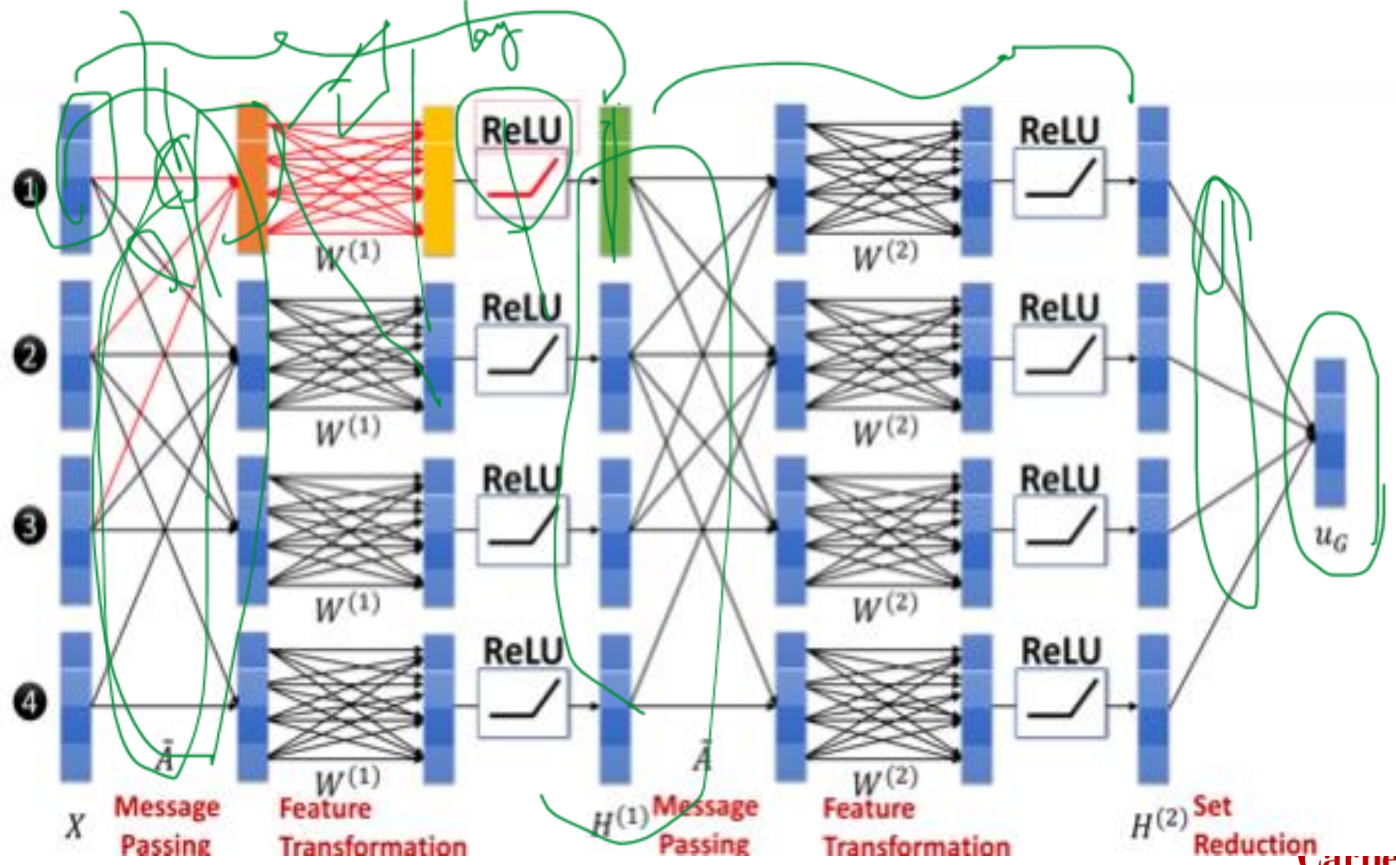
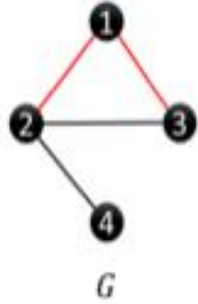
How can we learn via graph neural nets?

- **Basic approach:** Average information from neighbors and apply a neural network



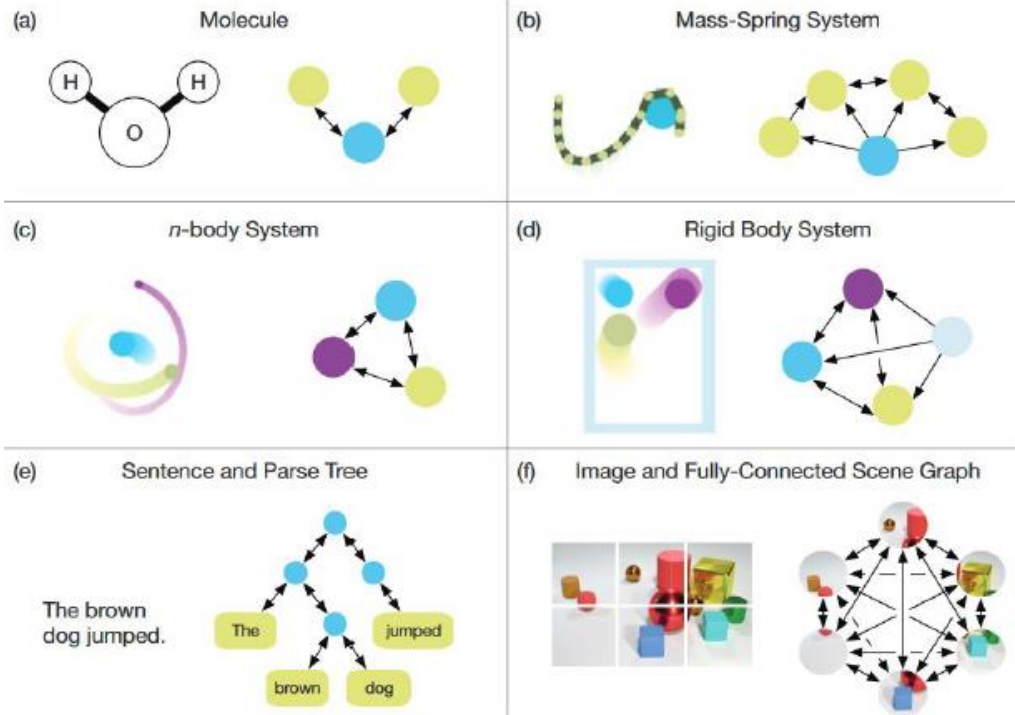
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Learning relation and interaction

What can we do with graph neural networks?



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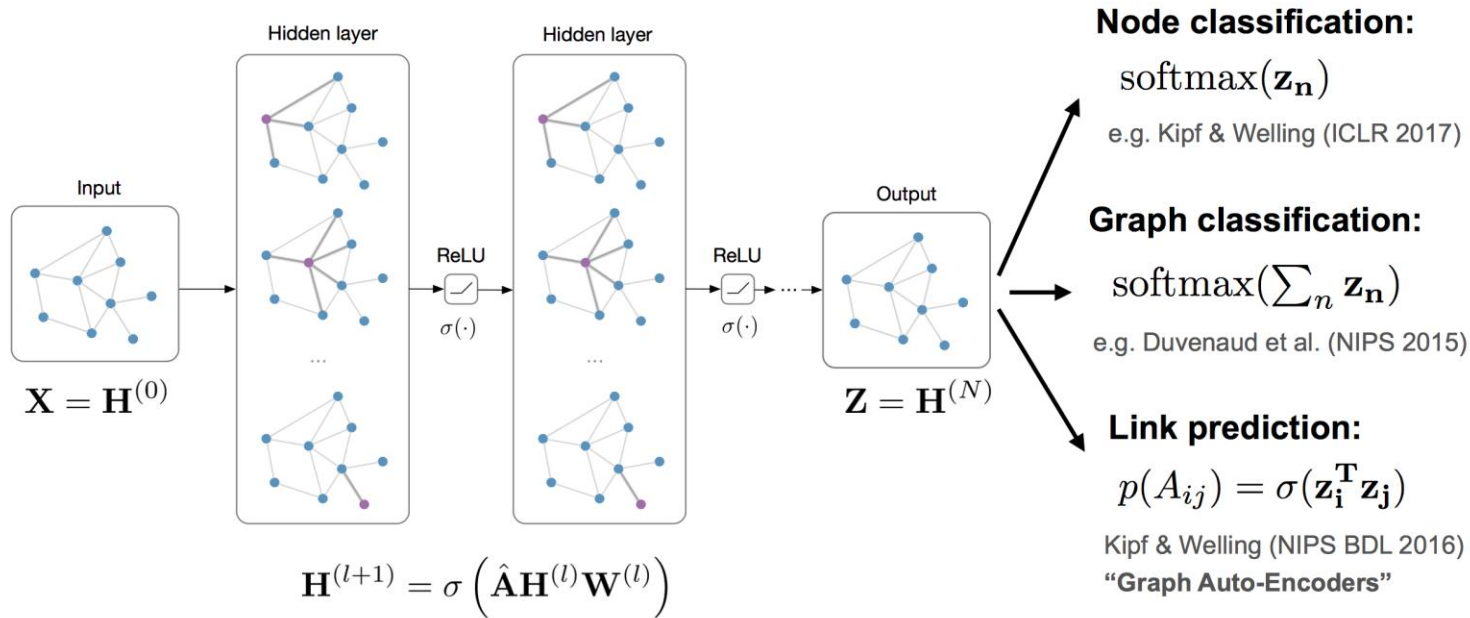
- Node classification
- Link prediction
- Node2Vec, Subgraph2Vec, Graph2Vec: Embedding node/substructure/graph structure to a vector
- Learning physics law from data
- And you can do more amazing things with GNN!

Graph neural networks

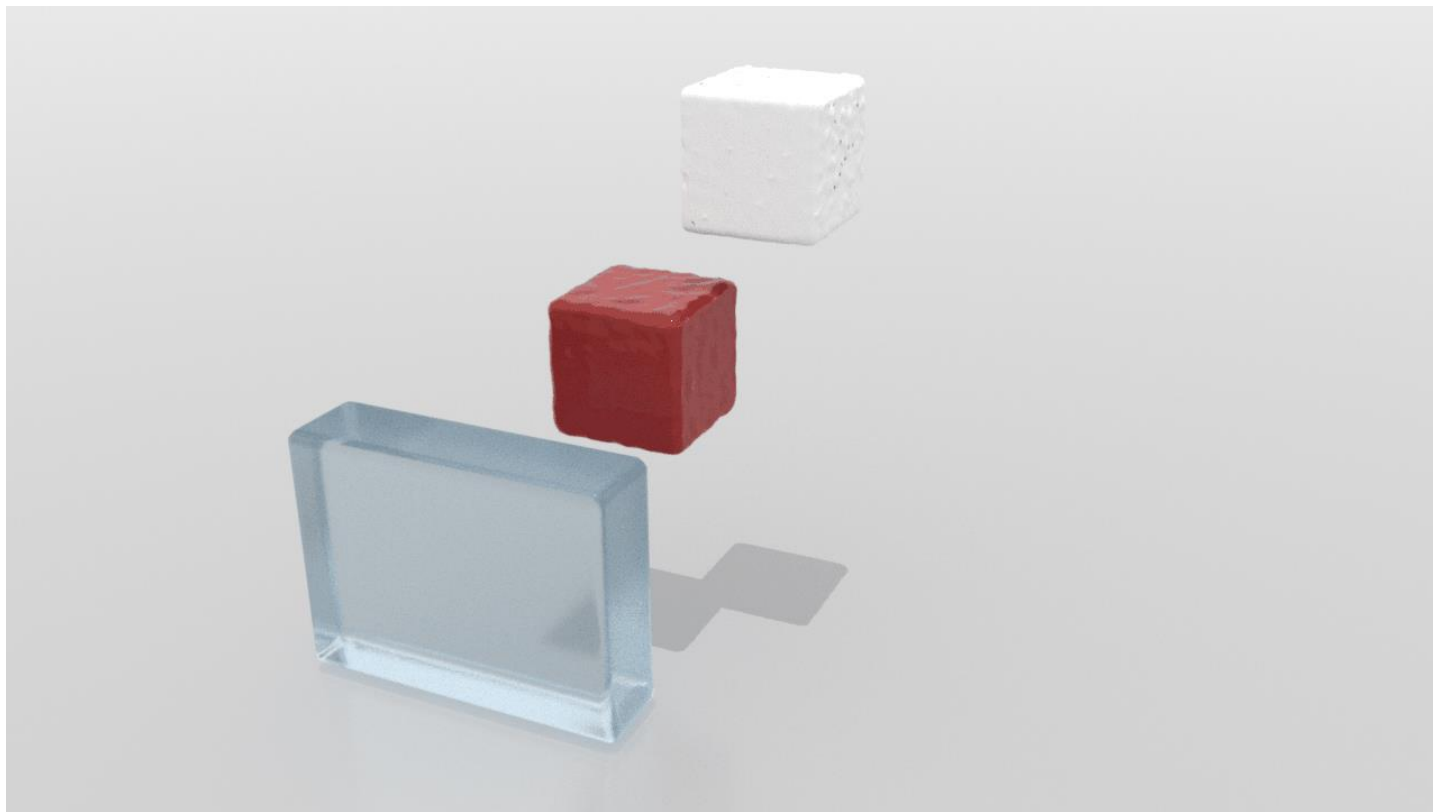


Graph neural networks

Input: Feature matrix $\mathbf{X} \in \mathbb{R}^{N \times E}$, preprocessed adjacency matrix $\hat{\mathbf{A}}$



* slide from Thomas Kipf, University of Amsterdam



- Overall architecture of graph neural networks
- Updating node states
 - Graph Convolutional Network (GCN)
 - Graph Attention Network (GAT)
 - Gated Graph Neural Network (GGNN)
- Readout : permutation invariance on changing node orders
- Graph Auto-Encoders
- Practical issues
 - Skip connection-Inception-Dropout

Principles of graph neural network

- Weights using in updating hidden states of fully-connected Net, CNN and RNN

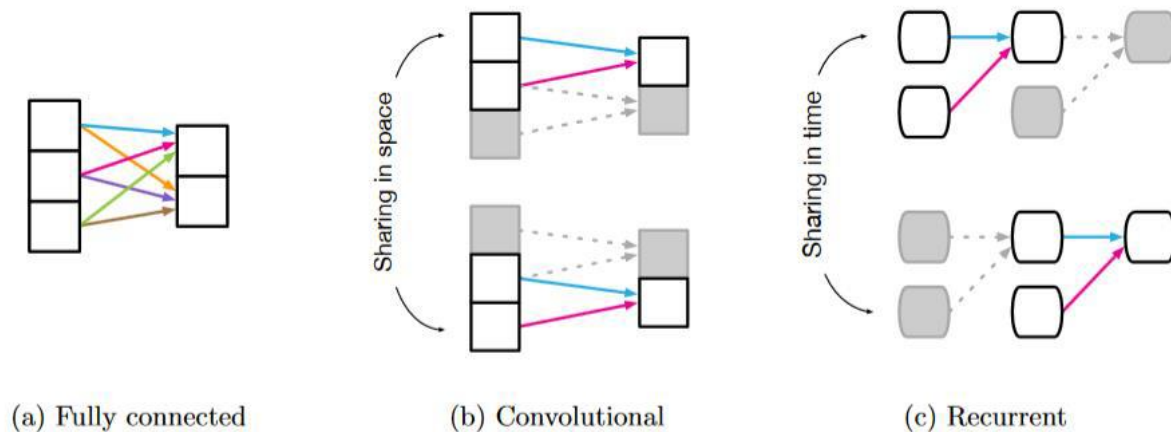
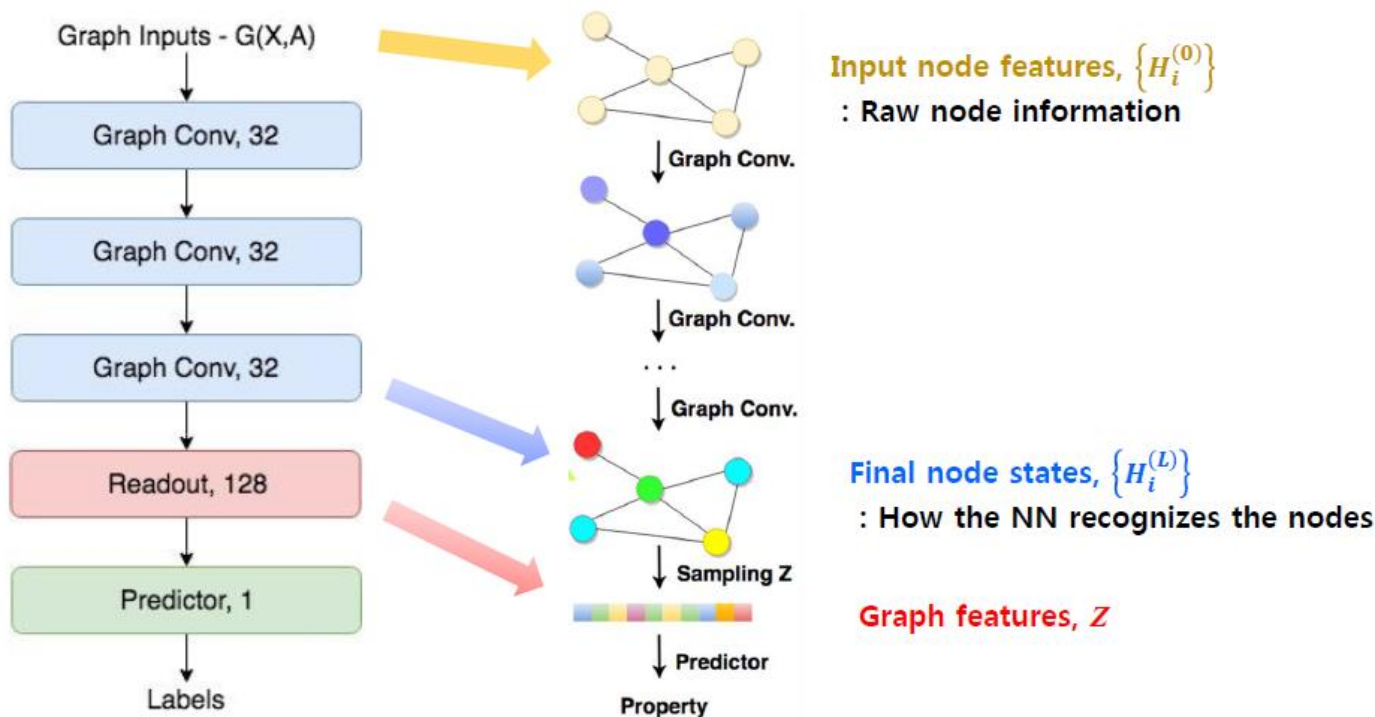


Figure 1: Reuse and sharing in common deep learning building blocks. (a) Fully connected layer, in which all weights are independent, and there is no sharing. (b) Convolutional layer, in which a local kernel function is reused multiple times across the input. Shared weights are indicated by arrows with the same color. (c) Recurrent layer, in which the same function is reused across different processing steps.

Overall neural network structure—case of supervised learning



Principles of graph neural network

Updates in a graph neural network

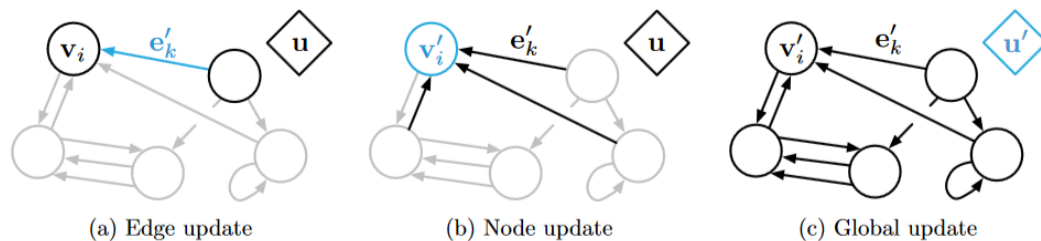
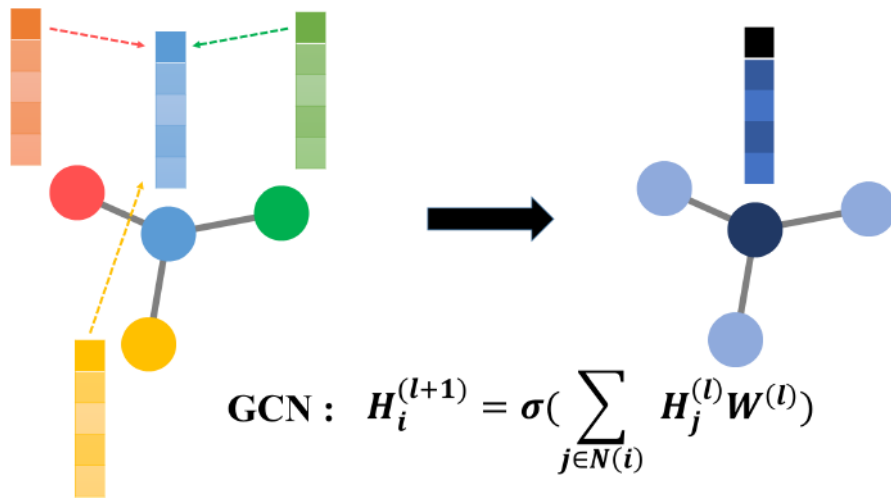


Figure 3: Updates in a GN block. Blue indicates the element that is being updated, and black indicates other elements which are involved in the update (note that the pre-update value of the blue element is also used in the update). See Equation [1](#) for details on the notation.

- **Edge update** : relationship or interactions, sometimes called as ‘message passing’ or the forces of spring
- **Node update** : aggregates the edge updates and used in the node update or the forces acting on the ball
- **Global update** : an update for the global attribute or the net forces and total energy of the physical system

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Weights using in updating hidden states of GNN



Sharing weights for all nodes in graph, but nodes are differently updated by reflecting individual node features $H_j^{(l)}$

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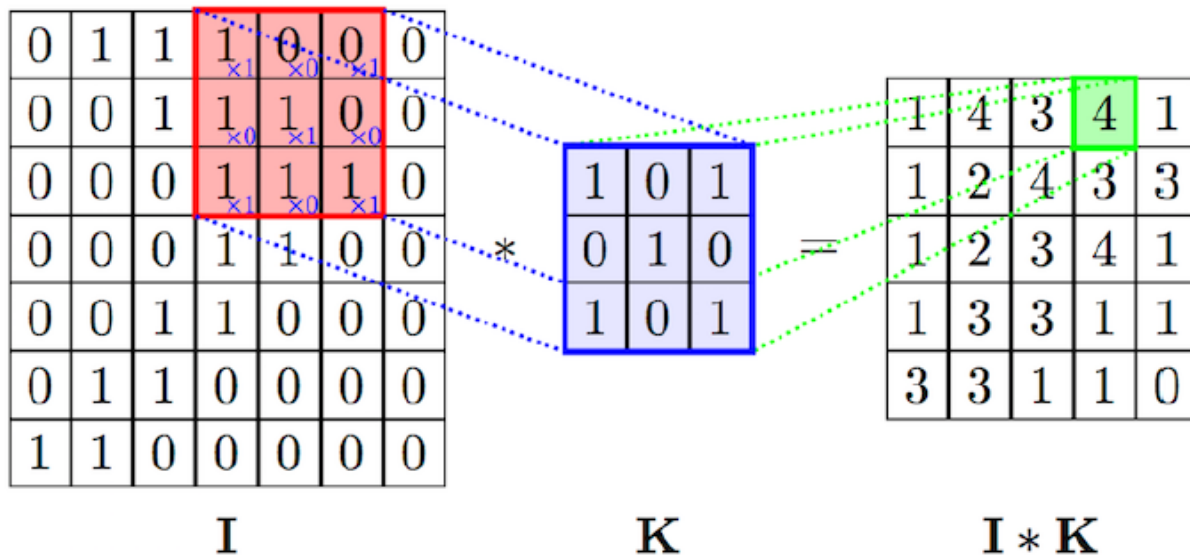
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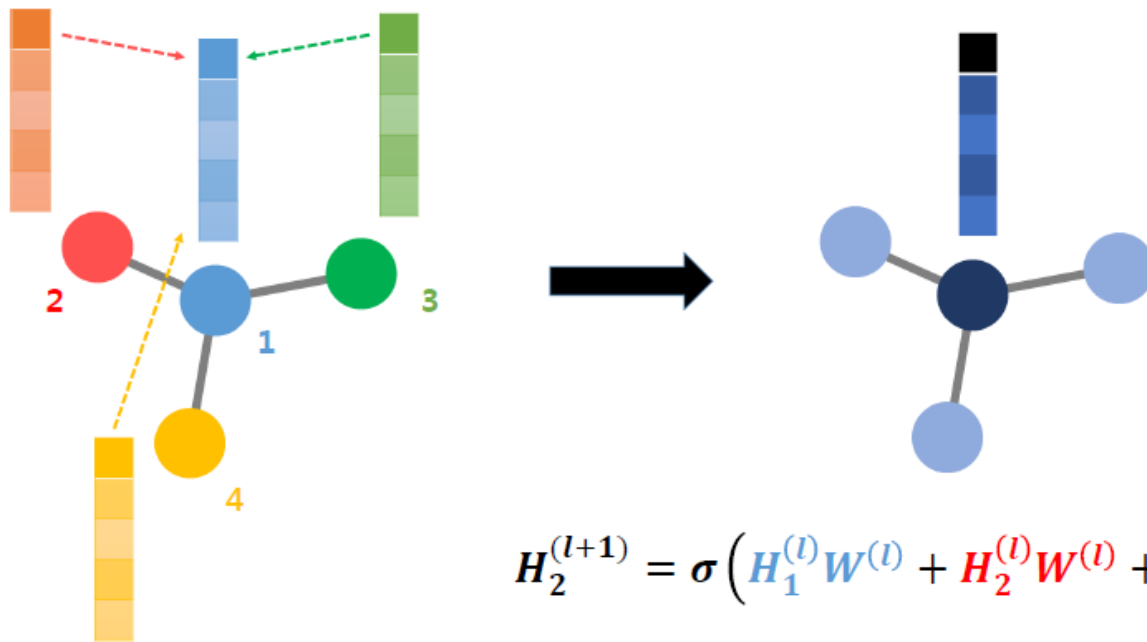
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What NN learns

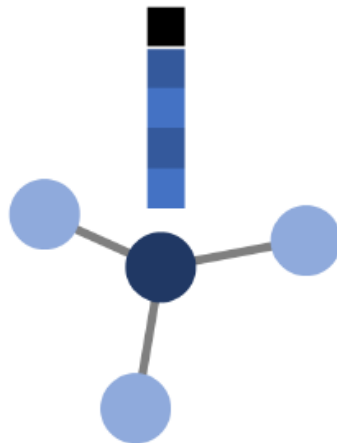
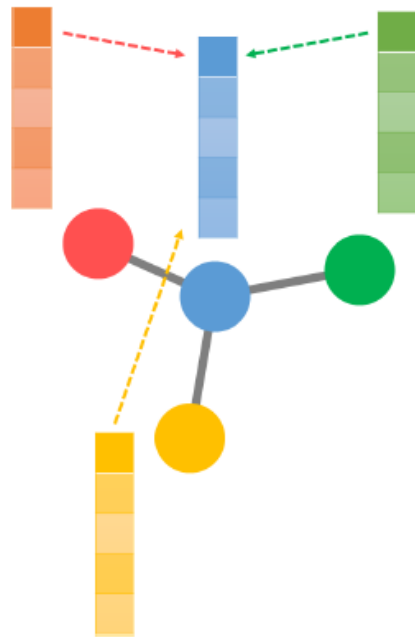
$$X_i^{(l+1)} = \sigma(\sum_{j \in [i-k, i+k]} w_j^{(l)} X_j^{(l)} + b_j^{(l)})$$

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$$H_2^{(l+1)} = \sigma \left(H_1^{(l)} W^{(l)} + H_2^{(l)} W^{(l)} + H_3^{(l)} W^{(l)} + H_4^{(l)} W^{(l)} \right)$$

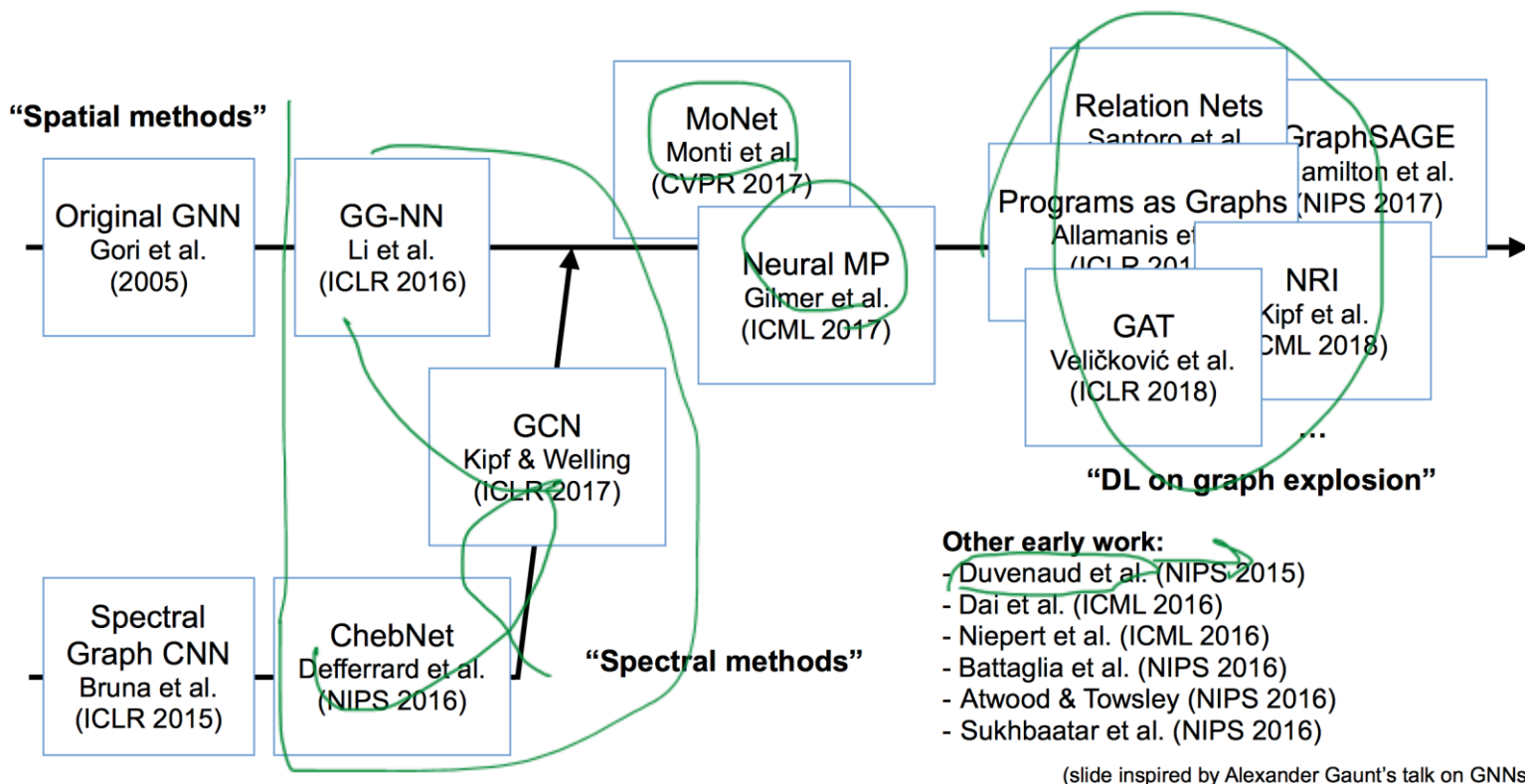
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What NN learns

$$H_i^{(l+1)} = \sigma \left(\sum_{j \in N(i)} H_j^{(l)} W^{(l)} \right) = \sigma \left(A H_j^{(l)} W^{(l)} \right)$$

A Brief History of Graph Neural Nets



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1. Atoms are represented by their atomic symbols.
2. Hydrogen atoms are omitted (are implicit).
3. Neighboring atoms are represented next to each other.
4. Double bonds are represented by '=', triple bonds by '#'.
5. Branches are represented by parentheses.
6. Rings are represented by allocating digits to the two connecting ring atoms.