

# Weisfeiler and Lehman Go Cellular: CW Networks

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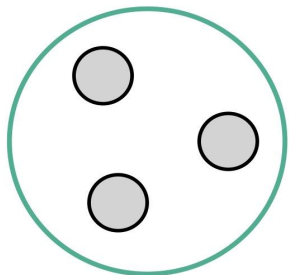
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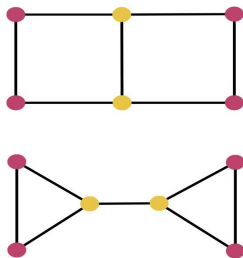


# Motivation: Limitations of GNNs

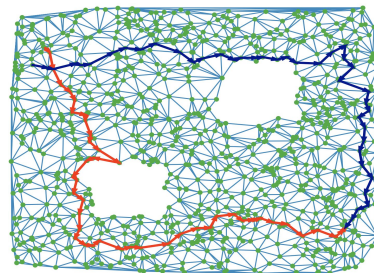
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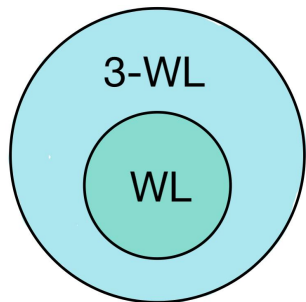
**Higher-order structures**



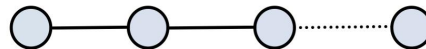
**Higher-order signals**



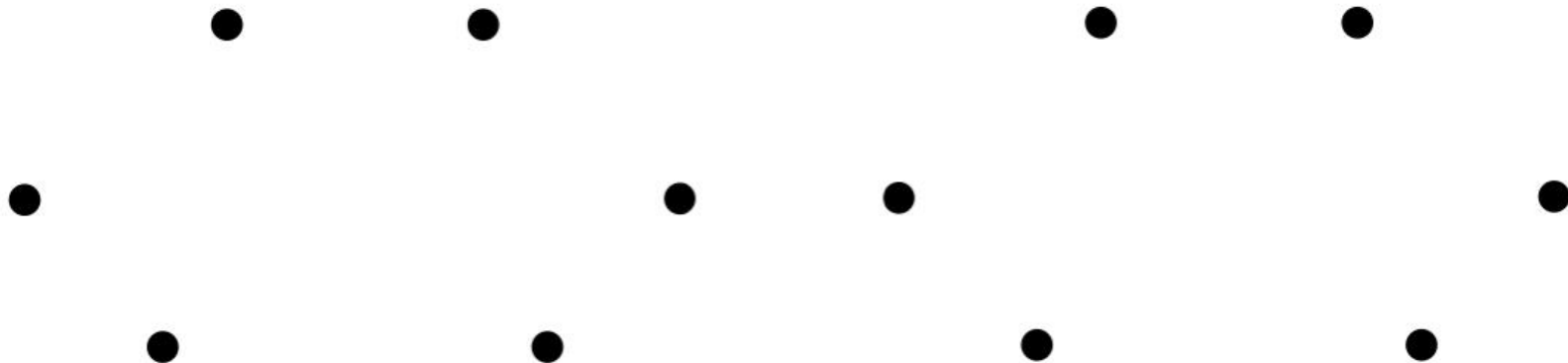
**Expressive power**



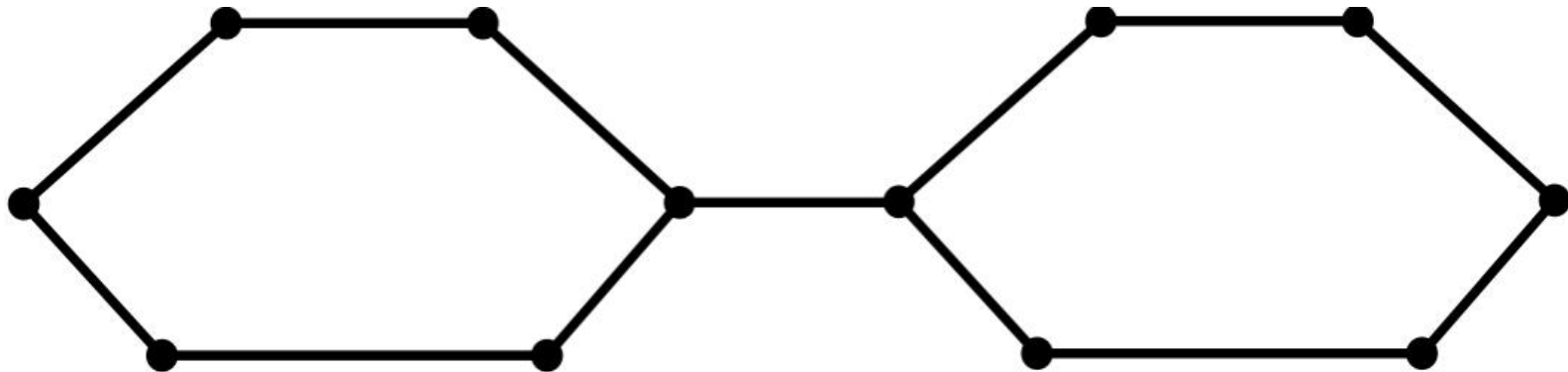
**Long-range interactions**



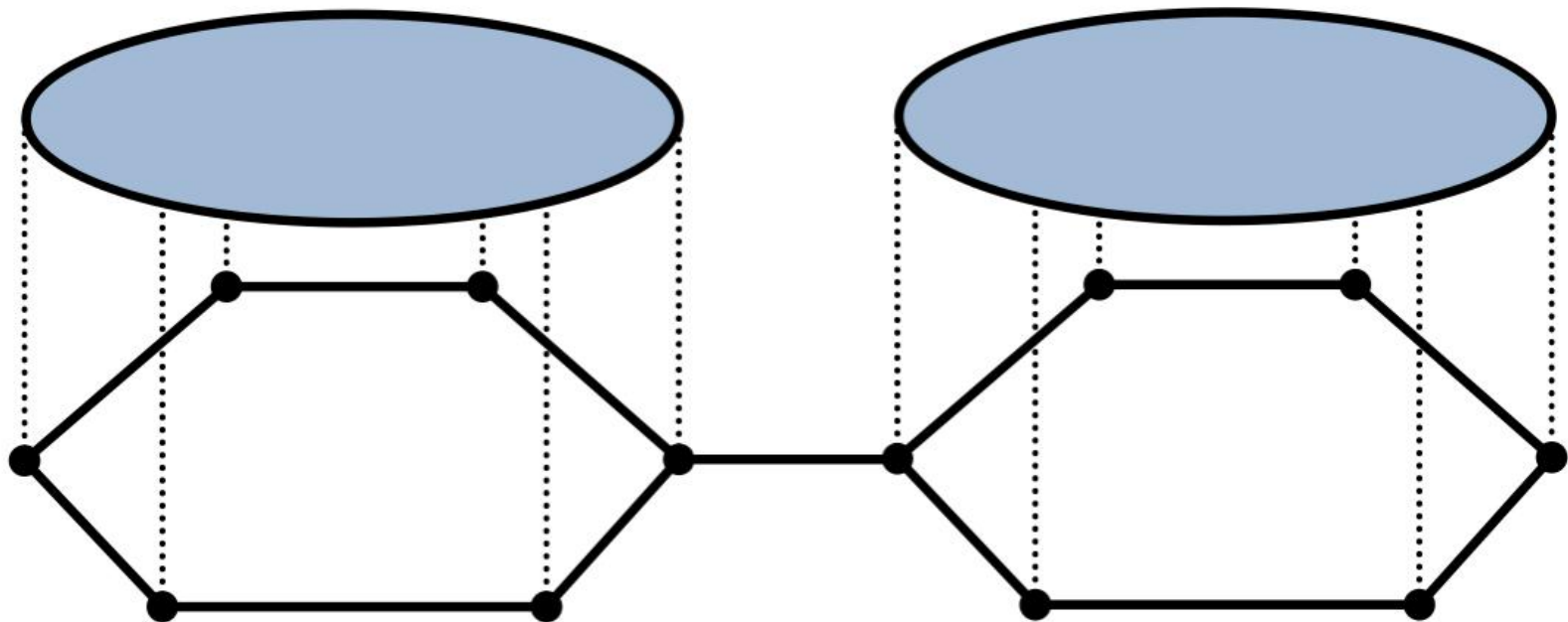
# CW Complexes



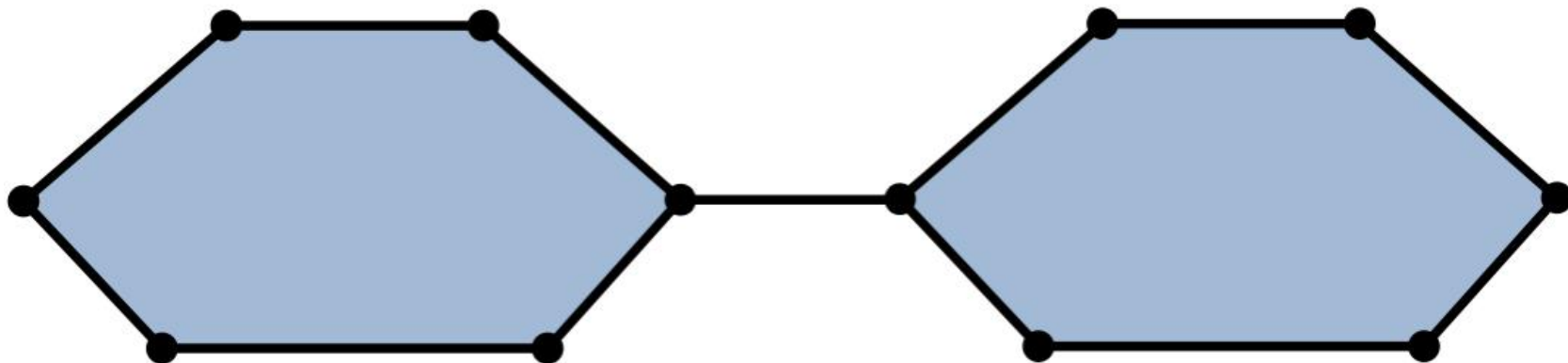
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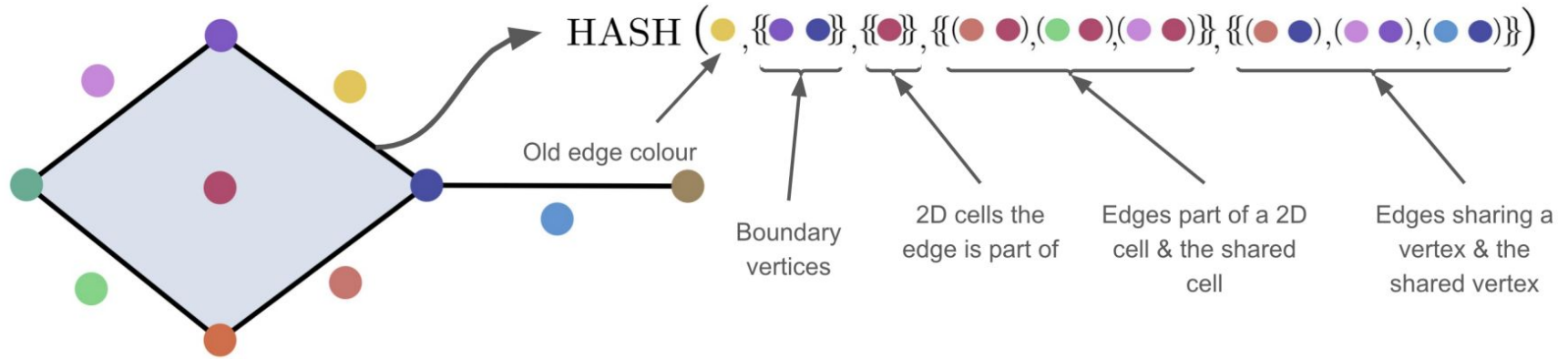


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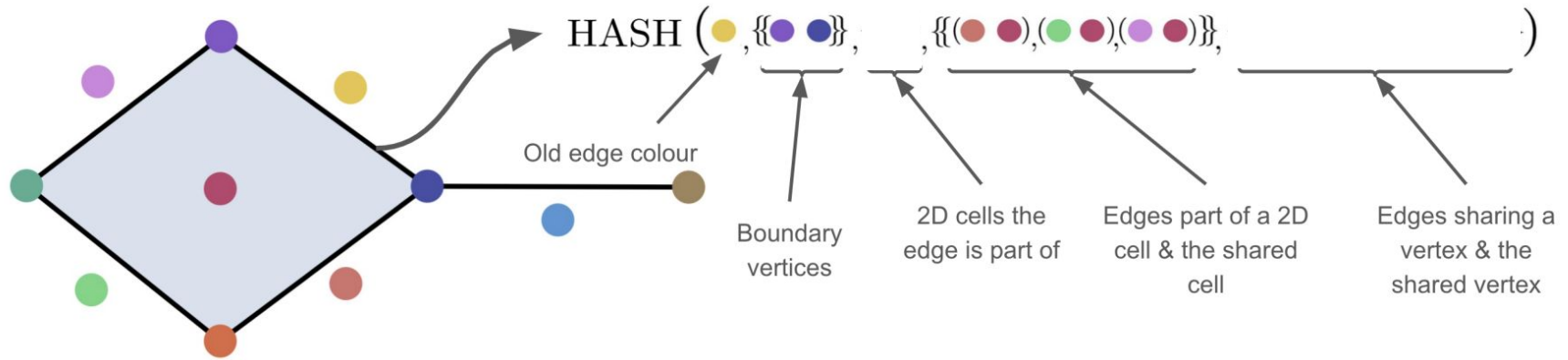


$$\tau \leq \sigma \iff \text{Cell } \mathcal{T} \text{ is on the boundary of cell } \mathcal{O}$$

# Cellular Weisfeiler-Lehman



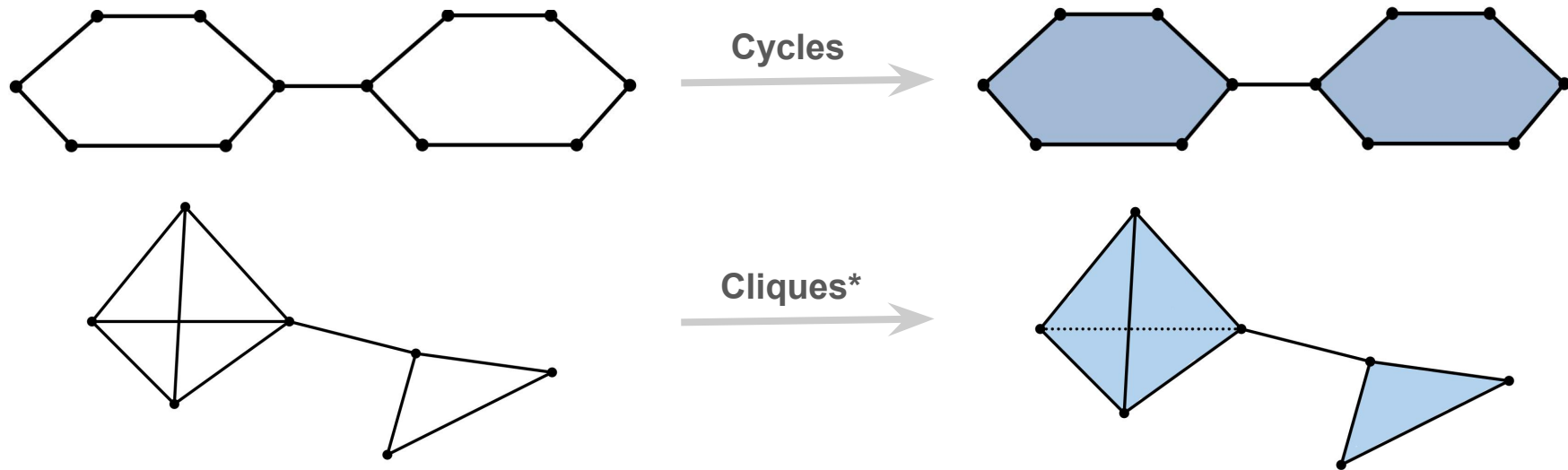
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**Theorem 7.** *CWL without coboundary and lower-adjacencies has the same expressive power in distinguishing non-isomorphic cell complexes as CWL with the complete set of adjacencies.*



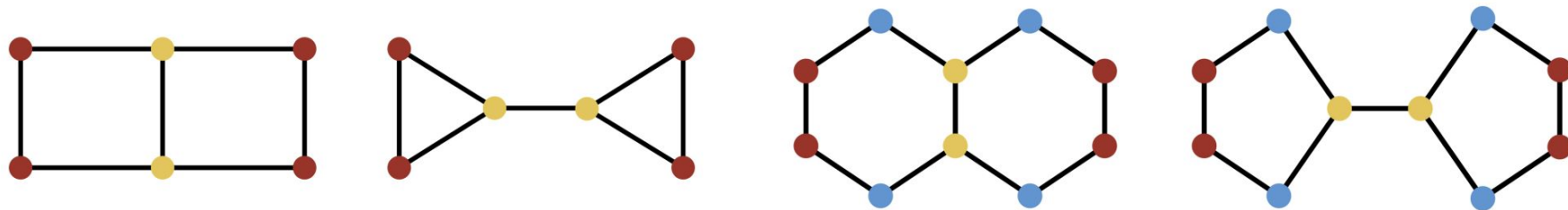
# Cellular Lifting Maps



**Theorem 13.** *Let  $f$  be a skeleton-preserving lifting map. Then CWL using lifting  $f$  is at least as powerful as WL in distinguishing non-isomorphic graphs.*

# Cellular Lifting Maps

**Corollary 14.** *For all  $k \geq 3$ , the following lifting transformations make CWL strictly more powerful than the WL test. (1) The clique complex lifting considering cliques of size at most  $k$ . (2) The map that attaches 2-cells to all the simple cycles of size at most  $k$ . (3) The map that attaches 2-cells to all the induced cycles of size at most  $k$ . (4) The union of all the transformations above.*



**Theorem 15.** *For some finite  $k$ , there exists a pair of graphs indistinguishable by 3-WL but distinguishable by CWL with the lifting maps from Corollary 14. For the clique complex and induced cycle liftings, the statement holds for  $k \geq 4$ . For the simple cycle based lifting, it holds for  $k \geq 8$ .*

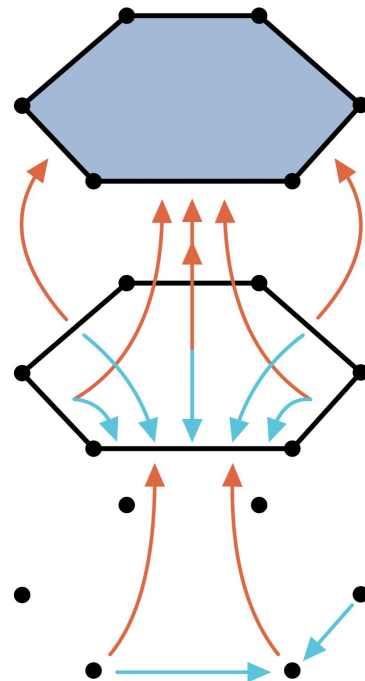
# CWNs and Molecular Message Passing

$$h_X = \text{READOUT}(\underbrace{\{\{h_\sigma^L\}\}_{\dim(\sigma)=0}}_{\text{atoms}}, \underbrace{\{\{h_\sigma^L\}\}_{\dim(\sigma)=1}}_{\text{edges}}, \underbrace{\{\{h_\sigma^L\}\}_{\dim(\sigma)=2}}_{\text{faces}})$$

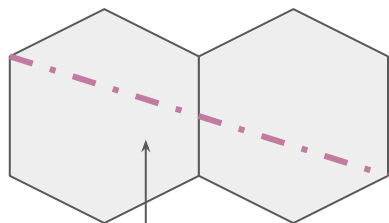
$$\underbrace{h_\sigma^{t+1}} = U\left(h_\sigma^t, \underbrace{m_{\mathcal{B}}^t(\sigma)}_{\text{from bonds}}, \underbrace{m_{\uparrow}^{t+1}(\sigma)}_{\text{from faces}}\right)$$

$$\underbrace{m_{\mathcal{B}}^{t+1}(\sigma)} = \text{AGG}_{\tau \in \mathcal{B}(\sigma)} \left( M_{\mathcal{B}}(h_\sigma^t, h_\tau^t) \right)$$

$$\underbrace{m_{\uparrow}^{t+1}(\sigma)} = \text{AGG}_{\tau \in \mathcal{N}_{\uparrow}(\sigma), \delta \in \mathcal{C}(\sigma, \tau)} \left( M_{\uparrow}(h_\sigma^t, h_\tau^t, h_\delta^t) \right)$$



# Practical Benefits of CWNs and Molecular-MP

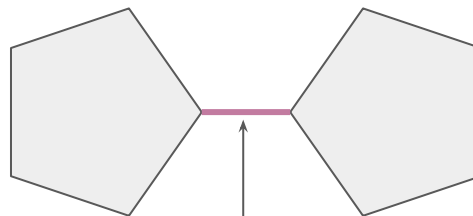


Long-range interactions

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Expressive power



Higher-order modeling

# Computational Complexity

(Message passing)

$$\mathcal{O}\left(\underbrace{\sum_{p=1}^d \underbrace{B_p S_p}_{\text{Boundary msgs}}}_{\text{Max boundary size}} + \underbrace{2 * \left(\underbrace{\binom{B_p}{2}}_{\text{Upper msgs}}\right) S_p}_{\text{Number of p-cells}}\right) \xrightarrow{\text{In practice: } B_p, d \text{ fixed (small) constants}} \Theta\left(\sum_{p=1}^d S_p\right)$$

Empirically, GIN is only 19% – 35% faster at inference time (ZINC)

(Lifting)

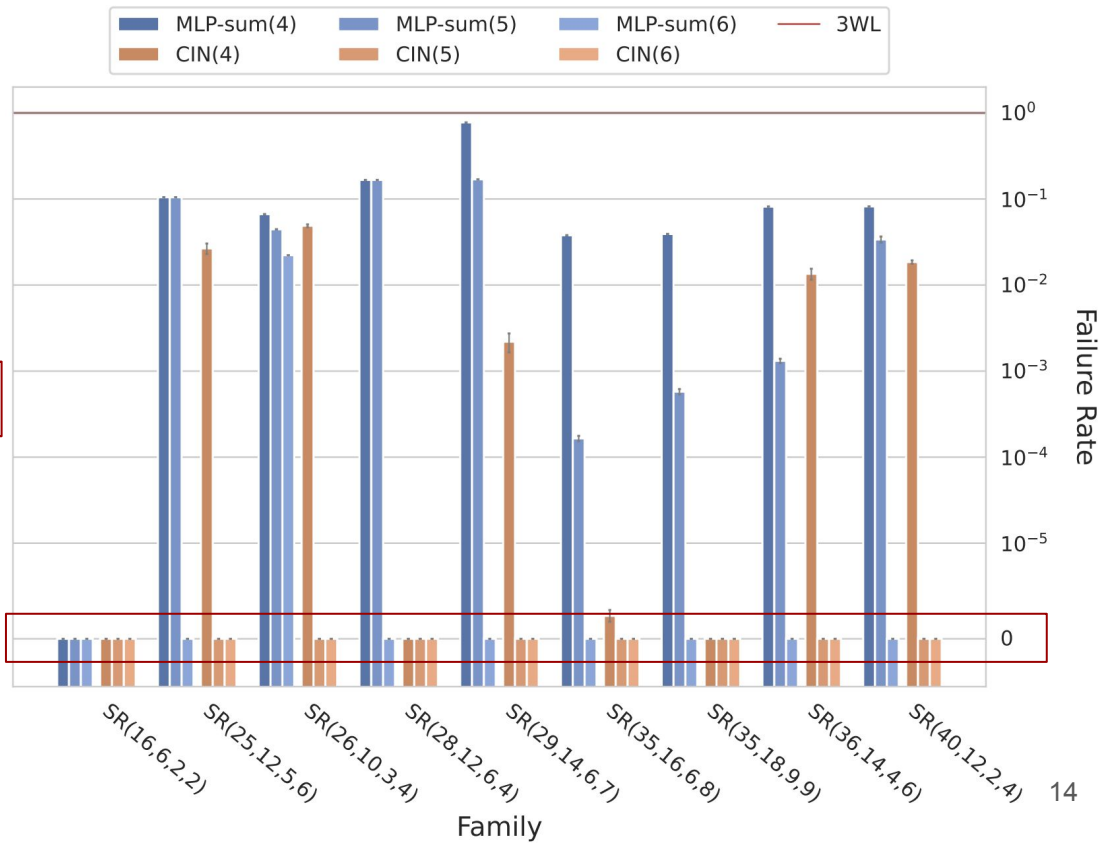
Dataset ↓ / Processes →	linear trend →					
	Seq.	2	4	8	16	32
ZINC (12k)	320.27 ± 0.54	169.95 ± 0.32	84.90 ± 0.21	43.38 ± 0.07	23.17 ± 0.68	18.59 ± 0.68
Mol-HIV (41k)	1178.98 ± 3.90	635.58 ± 0.83	319.01 ± 0.40	164.26 ± 0.52	86.92 ± 0.77	60.62 ± 2.05
ZINC-FULL (250k)	6805.35 ± 16.50	3549.16 ± 7.73	1782.41 ± 3.84	918.38 ± 3.46	492.77 ± 6.13	383.92 ± 3.30

# Synthetic Experiments: Expressive Power

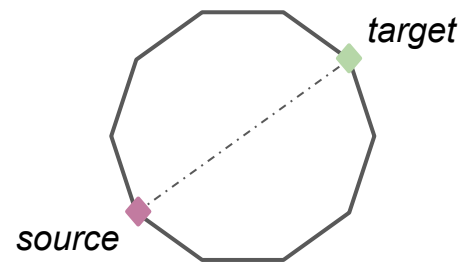
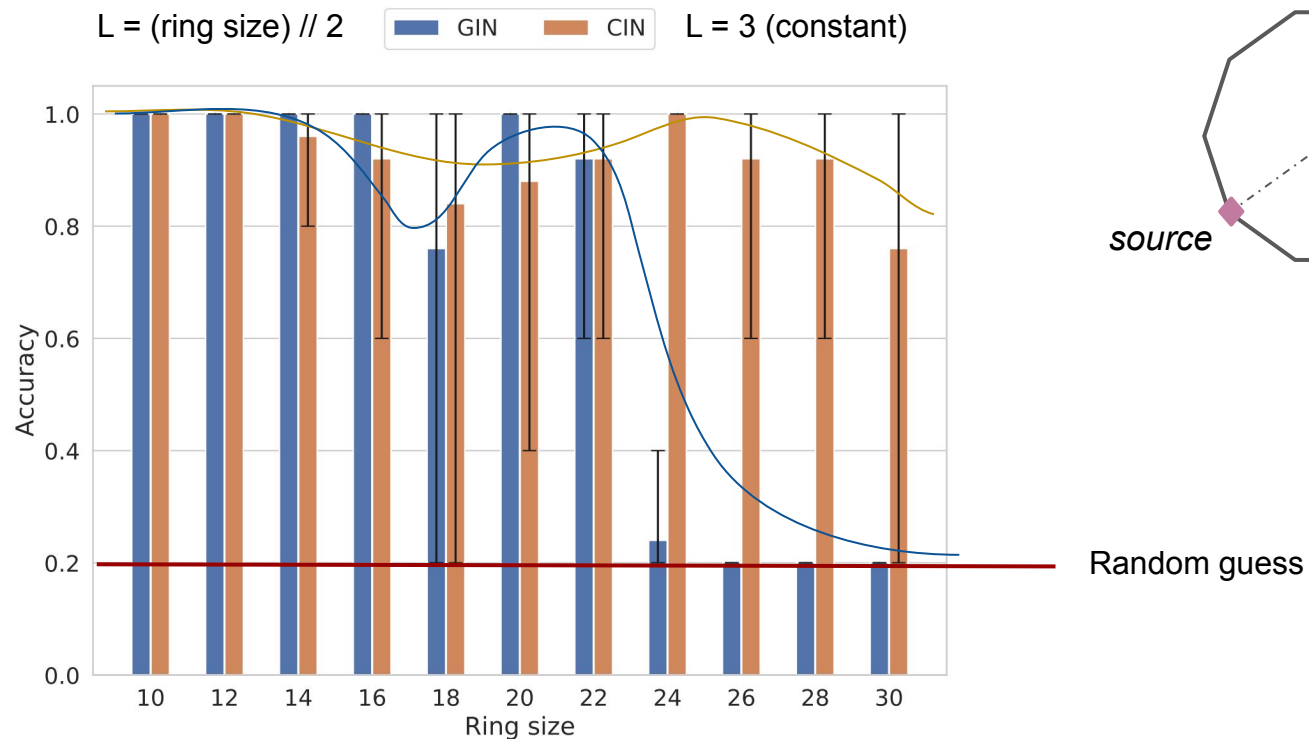
Strongly Regular

Circular Skip Links

Method	Mean	Min	Max
MP-GNNs	$10.000 \pm 0.000$	10.000	10.000
RingGNN	$10.000 \pm 0.000$	10.000	10.000
3WLGNN	$97.800 \pm 10.916$	30.000	100.000
CIN (Ours)	$100.000 \pm 0.000$	100.000	100.000



# Synthetic Experiments: RingTransfer



# Real-world Experiments: TUDatasets

Dataset	MUTAG	PTC	PROTEINS	NCI1	NCI109	IMDB-B	IMDB-M	RDT-B
RWK [28]	79.2 $\pm$ 2.1	55.9 $\pm$ 0.3	59.6 $\pm$ 0.1	>3 days	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
GK ( $k = 3$ ) [62]	81.4 $\pm$ 1.7	55.7 $\pm$ 0.5	71.4 $\pm$ 0.31	62.5 $\pm$ 0.3	62.4 $\pm$ 0.3	N/A	N/A	N/A
PK [56]	76.0 $\pm$ 2.7	59.5 $\pm$ 2.4	73.7 $\pm$ 0.7	82.5 $\pm$ 0.5	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
WL kernel [63]	90.4 $\pm$ 5.7	59.9 $\pm$ 4.3	75.0 $\pm$ 3.1	<b>86.0</b> $\pm$ 1.8	N/A	73.8 $\pm$ 3.9	50.9 $\pm$ 3.8	81.0 $\pm$ 3.1
DCNN [3]	N/A	N/A	61.3 $\pm$ 1.6	56.6 $\pm$ 1.0	N/A	49.1 $\pm$ 1.4	33.5 $\pm$ 1.4	N/A
DGCNN [74]	85.8 $\pm$ 1.8	58.6 $\pm$ 2.5	75.5 $\pm$ 0.9	74.4 $\pm$ 0.5	N/A	70.0 $\pm$ 0.9	47.8 $\pm$ 0.9	N/A
IGN [50]	83.9 $\pm$ 13.0	58.5 $\pm$ 6.9	<b>76.6</b> $\pm$ 5.5	74.3 $\pm$ 2.7	<b>72.8</b> $\pm$ 1.5	72.0 $\pm$ 5.5	48.7 $\pm$ 3.4	N/A
GIN [72]	89.4 $\pm$ 5.6	64.6 $\pm$ 7.0	76.2 $\pm$ 2.8	82.7 $\pm$ 1.7	N/A	75.1 $\pm$ 5.1	52.3 $\pm$ 2.8	<b>92.4</b> $\pm$ 2.5
PPGNs [51]	<b>90.6</b> $\pm$ 8.7	66.2 $\pm$ 6.6	<b>77.2</b> $\pm$ 4.7	83.2 $\pm$ 1.1	<b>82.2</b> $\pm$ 1.4	73.0 $\pm$ 5.8	50.5 $\pm$ 3.6	N/A
Natural GN [20]	89.4 $\pm$ 1.6	<b>66.8</b> $\pm$ 1.7	71.7 $\pm$ 1.0	82.4 $\pm$ 1.3	N/A	73.5 $\pm$ 2.0	51.3 $\pm$ 1.5	N/A
GSN [9]	<b>92.2</b> $\pm$ 7.5	<b>68.2</b> $\pm$ 7.2	<b>76.6</b> $\pm$ 5.0	<b>83.5</b> $\pm$ 2.0	N/A	<b>77.8</b> $\pm$ 3.3	<b>54.3</b> $\pm$ 3.3	N/A
SIN [7]	N/A	N/A	76.4 $\pm$ 3.3	82.7 $\pm$ 2.1	N/A	<b>75.6</b> $\pm$ 3.2	<b>52.4</b> $\pm$ 2.9	<b>92.2</b> $\pm$ 1.0
<b>CIN (Ours)</b>	<b>92.7</b> $\pm$ 6.1	<b>68.2</b> $\pm$ 5.6	<b>77.0</b> $\pm$ 4.3	<b>83.6</b> $\pm$ 1.4	<b>84.0</b> $\pm$ 1.6	<b>75.6</b> $\pm$ 3.7	<b>52.7</b> $\pm$ 3.1	<b>92.4</b> $\pm$ 2.1



# Real-world Experiments: ZINC + MolHIV

Table 3: ZINC (MAE), ZINC-FULL (MAE) and Mol-HIV (ROC-AUC).

Method	ZINC ↓		ZINC-FULL ↓	MOLHIV ↑
	No Edge Feat.	With Edge Feat.	All methods	All methods
GCN [45]	0.469±0.002	N/A	N/A	76.06±0.97
GAT [67]	0.463±0.002	N/A	N/A	N/A
GatedGCN [10]	0.422±0.006	0.363±0.009	N/A	N/A
GIN [72]	0.408±0.008	0.252±0.014	0.088±0.002	77.07±1.49
PNA [19]	0.320±0.032	0.188±0.004	N/A	79.05±1.32
DGN [5]	0.219±0.010	0.168±0.003	N/A	79.70±0.97
• HIMP [26]	N/A	0.151±0.006	0.036±0.002	78.80±0.82
• GSN [9]	0.139±0.007	0.108±0.018	N/A	77.99±1.00
<b>CIN-small (Ours)</b>	0.139±0.008	0.094±0.004	0.044±0.003	80.55±1.04
<b>CIN (Ours)</b>	<b>0.115±0.003</b>	<b>0.079±0.006</b>	<b>0.022±0.002</b>	<b>80.94±0.57</b>

# Real-world Experiments: ZINC (ablation study)

Method	MAE	
● GatedGCN [10]	$0.363 \pm 0.009$	
● GIN [72]	$0.252 \pm 0.014$	
● PNA [19]	$0.188 \pm 0.004$	
● DGN [5]	$0.168 \pm 0.003$	
● ● HIMP [26]	$0.151 \pm 0.006$	
● ● GSN [9]	$0.108 \pm 0.018$	
● GIN-E Custom	$0.196 \pm 0.007$	
● CIN No-Rings small	$0.174 \pm 0.006$	
● CIN No-Rings	$0.159 \pm 0.007$	
● ● CIN-small	$0.094 \pm 0.004$	
● ● CIN	<b><math>0.079 \pm 0.006</math></b>	

● “Standard”  
● Updates edges  
● Captures rings

Importance of updating edges

Importance of capturing rings

# Thanks!

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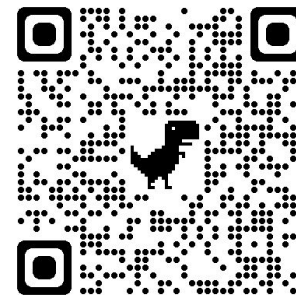
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