# **Deep learning on graphs:** Learning from graph-structured data



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#### Deep Learning vs Machine Learning



### **Deep Learning**

**IM** GENET





#### DNA Sequence

Natural Language Processing



And so on.....

#### What does deep neural nets learn?

- Learns representations of raw data
- Translational equivariance (weight sharing)
- Compositional hierarchy



Regular grids

A lot of real-world data does not "exist" on regular grids Graph-structured data

## Graphs

- Ubiquitous data structure
  - Social Networks
  - Molecular Graphs
  - Biological Protein-Protein Networks
  - Recommender Systems .....







Molecules



Protein interaction networks



Knowledge graph



Road maps

### Applications



#### Representation Learning on graphs



## Embedding nodes

Goal is to encode nodes to lower dimensional representation so that the similarity in the embedding space approximates the similarity in the original network.



Encoder maps each node to a low dimensional vector: Encoder(a) =  $z_a$ 

#### Early methods

- Random walk based approach
  - DeepWalk
  - Node2vec
- Strong baselines



## Review: convolution on regular grid





Feature

Image



 $h_i \in \mathbb{R}^F$  are activations of a pixel or node

#### Update for a single pixel:

- Transform messages individually  $W_i h_i$ •
- Add everything up  $\sum_{i} W_{i} h_{i}$ •

Full update:  $h_4 = \sigma(W_0 h_0 + W_1 h_1 + \dots + W_8 h_8)$ 

## Generalization to graphs (irregular grid)

Consider an undirected graph



Aggregate neighborhood information for red node



$$\begin{array}{ll} \textbf{Update} \\ \textbf{rule:} \quad \mathbf{h}_{i}^{(l+1)} = \sigma \left( \mathbf{h}_{i}^{(l)} \mathbf{W}_{0}^{(l)} + \sum_{j \in \mathcal{N}_{i}} \frac{1}{c_{ij}} \mathbf{h}_{j}^{(l)} \mathbf{W}_{1}^{(l)} \right) \end{array}$$

#### Graph Convolutional networks (GCN)



#### Gene Network Embedding (GNE):

Deep model for gene interaction network inference



#### **GNE** Overview

Given a gene network denoted as G = (V, E, A), gene network embedding aims to learn a function f that maps gene network structure and their attribute information to a d-dimensional space where a gene is represented by a vector  $y_i \in \mathbb{R}^d$  where  $d \ll M$ . The low dimensional vectors  $y_i$  and  $y_j$  for genes  $v_i$  and  $v_j$  preserve their relationships in terms of the network topological structure and attribute proximity.



#### **Background: First Order Proximity**

- Pairwise proximity between vertices
- For any pair of vertices,
  - If  $A_{i_j} > 0$ , first order proximity between  $v_i$  and  $v_j$  is positive
  - Otherwise, first order proximity between  $v_i$  and  $v_j$  is 0



#### **Background: Second Order Proximity**

- Proximity of the pair's neighborhood structure
- $N_u$  is neighborhood of vertex u and  $N_v$  is neighborhood of vertex v
- Similarity between  $N_u$  and  $N_v$  gives second order proximity



#### **Background: Attribute Proximity**

- Similarity in attributes between vertices u and v
- Vertices with similar attributes will be placed close to each other in embedding space
- Example

Vertex	Place	Major	College	Gender
A	Nepal	CS	RIT	Male
В	Germany	HCI	UR	Female
С	Nepal	SE	RIT	Male
D	USA	IMGS	MIT	Male

#### **GNE** Architecture



#### **GNE: Embedding**



#### **GNE Network Structure Modeling**

Encode one-hot encoded representation of a gene  $v_i$  via embedding lookup.

$$\mathbf{v}_i^{(s)} = \mathbf{W}_{id} v_i$$

#### **GNE Expression Modeling**

Exponential Linear unit (ELU) to model non-linearity of gene expression  $x_i$  and capture underlying patterns.

$$\mathbf{v}_i^{(a)} = \mathrm{elu}(\mathbf{W}_{att} \cdot x_i)$$

#### **GNE:** Learning representation



Concatenation of structural and attribute representation

$$\mathbf{v}_i = [\mathbf{v}_i^{(s)} \quad \lambda \mathbf{v}_i^{(a)}]$$

Transformation of concatenated representation via k-hidden layers with hyperbolic tangent activation.

$$\mathbf{h}_{i}^{(k)} = \delta_{k} (\mathbf{W}_{k} \mathbf{h}_{i}^{(k-1)} + b^{(k)})$$

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#### **GNE:** Predicting probabilities



Last layer outputs the probability vector which contains conditional probability of all other genes to gene  $v_i$ 

$$\mathbf{o}_{i} = [p(v_{1}|v_{i}), p(v_{2}|v_{i}), \dots, p(v_{M}|v_{i})]$$
  
where  
$$p(v_{j}|v_{i}) = \frac{\exp(\widetilde{\mathbf{v}}_{j} \cdot \mathbf{h}_{i}^{(k)})}{\sum_{j'=1}^{M} \exp(\widetilde{\mathbf{v}}_{j'} \cdot \mathbf{h}_{i}^{(k)})}$$

**Optimization:** 

$$\Theta^* = \underset{\Theta}{\operatorname{argmax}} \left[ \sum_{i=1}^{M} \sum_{v_j \in N_i} \log \frac{\exp(\widetilde{\mathbf{v}}_j \cdot \mathbf{h}_i^{(k)})}{\sum_{j'=1}^{M} \exp(\widetilde{\mathbf{v}}_{j'} \cdot \mathbf{h}_i^{(k)})} \right]$$

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#### Visualizing the embeddings

- Visualize embeddings on 2D space using t-SNE package
- **Operons**: genes that interact with each other and are co-regulated.
  - Colored the points in 2D space with operons



• Significant test to see if genes within same operons are likely to have similar representation

#### Comparison with other methods

- Randomly removed 50% of interactions as test set to predict missing interactions
- Experimental results with and without expression data

Methods	Yeast		E. coli	
	AUROC	AUPR	AUROC	AUPR
Isomap	0.507	0.588	0.559	0.672
LINE	0.726	0.686	0.897	0.851
node2vec	0.739	0.708	0.912	0.862
GNE*	0.787	0.784	0.930	0.931
GNE	0.825	0.821	0.940	0.939

#### **Temporal holdout validation**

- Two version of interaction dataset: 2017 and 2018 version
  - 2018 version has **12,835** new interactions for yeast and **11,185** new interactions for E. coli
- Randomly selected 50% of interactions from 2017 version as training data to predict new interactions in 2018 version
- Experimental results with and without expression data

Methods	Yeast		E. coli	
	AUROC	AUPR	AUROC	AUPR
LINE	0.620	0.611	0.569	0.598
node2vec	0.640	0.609	0.587	0.599
GNE	0.710	0.683	0.653	0.658

#### Impact of network sparsity

- Hold out 10% interactions as test dataset
- Change the sparsity of training data by randomly removing a portion of remaining interactions
- Evaluation with and without expression data



#### Relative importance of topology and expression data

- Evaluation of parameter  $\lambda$  to see the impact on model's performance
- Values of λ used in experiment: [0, 0.2, 0.4, 0.6, 0.8, 1, 10, 100, 1000]
- Integration of expression data improves model's performance



#### Future works

- Integration of multi-omics data
- Exploring advanced graph-based deep learning approach for gene network inference

#### Any questions?