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LD^2: Scalable Heterophilous GNN with Decoupled Embeddings

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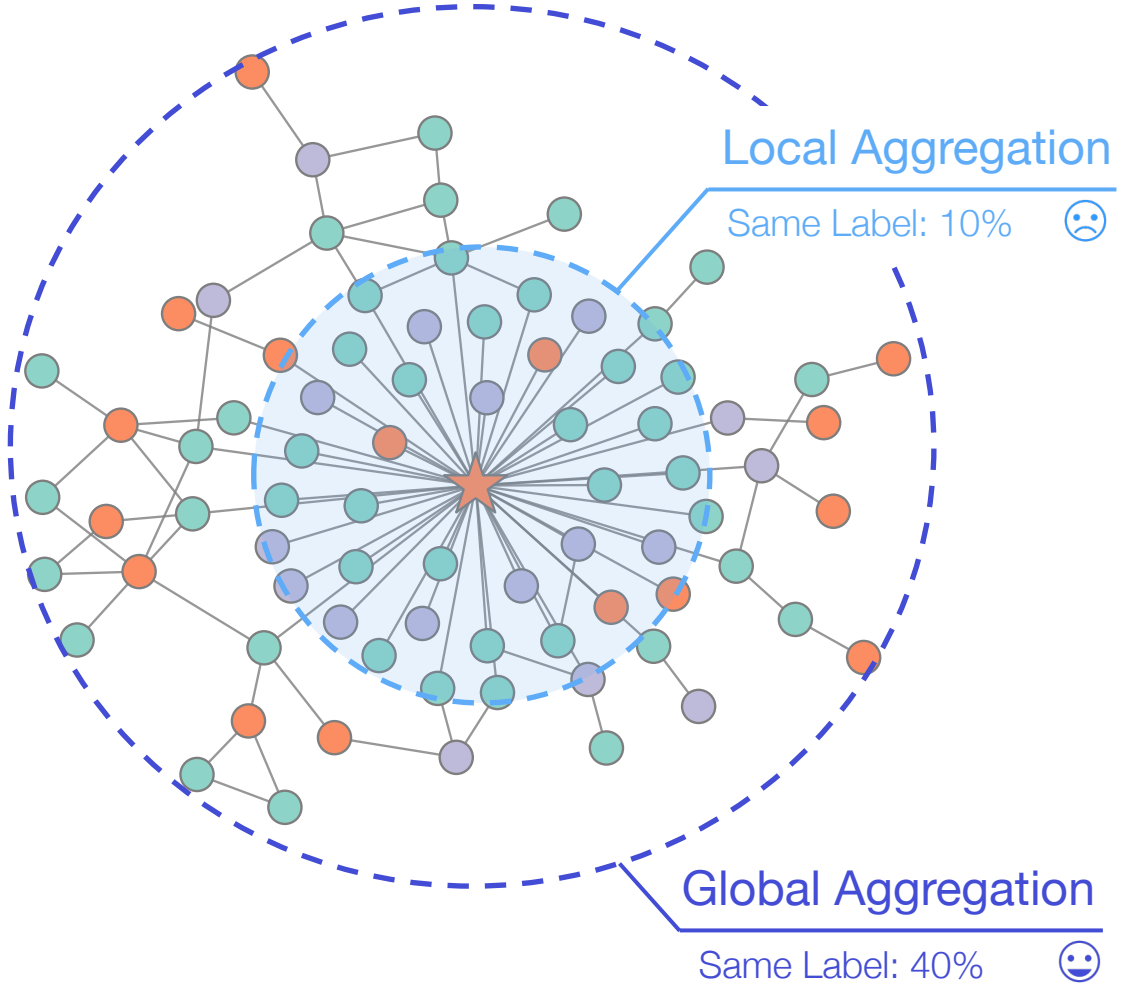
Background: Heterophilous GNN

- Heterophily: connected nodes tend to be of dissimilar labels
- Example: fraudster – normal user in transaction networks
- Locality-based GNNs not suitable under heterophily
- Existing heterophilous GNNs rely on global computation



Challenge: Hetero GNNs not Scalable Enough

Natural conflict:

Global Computation *vs* Scalability & Minibatch

Model	Time - Precomp	Time - Train	Time - Test	GPU Memory
GPRGNN	$O(m)$	$O(ILpmF + ILnF^2)$	$O(LpmF + LnF^2)$	$O(LnF + m + LF^2)$
GCNJK	–	$O(ILmF + ILnF^2)$	$O(LmF + LnF^2)$	$O(LcnF + LcF^2)$
MixHop	–	$O(ILpLmF + ILnF^2)$	$O(LpLmF + LnF^2)$	$O(CLnF + CLF^2)$
LINKX	–	$O(ImF + ILnF^2)$	$O(mF + LnF^2)$	$O(LcnbF + LcF^2 + nF)$
LD^2 (ours)	$O(LpmF)$	$O(ILnF^2)$	$O(LnF^2)$	$O(LcnbF + LcF^2)$

☹ *Terms that not scalable to large m and n*

☹ *Terms that not suitable for minibatch*

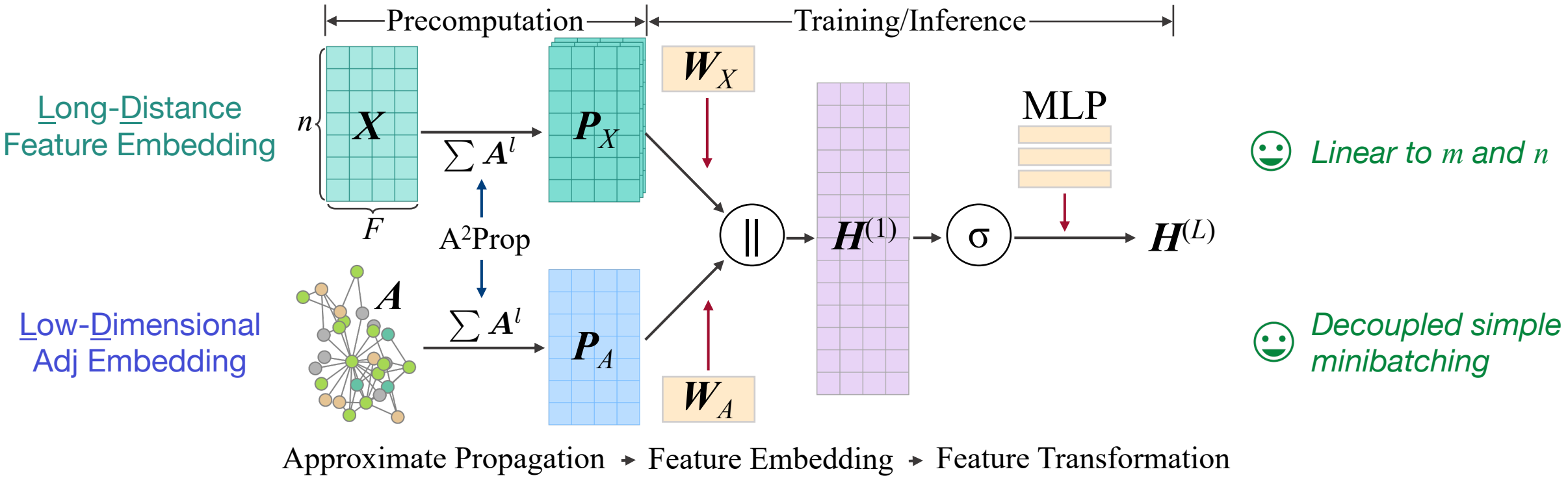
Method: LD^2 Framework

- Precomputation:

$$\boldsymbol{P}_A, \boldsymbol{P}_X = \mathrm{A}^2\mathrm{Prop}(\boldsymbol{A}, \boldsymbol{X})$$

- Feature Transformation:

$$\boldsymbol{H}^{(L)} = \mathrm{MLP}(\boldsymbol{P}_A\boldsymbol{W}_A \| \boldsymbol{P}_X\boldsymbol{W}_X)$$



Method: Adjacency Embedding

- Low-Dimensional 2-hop adjacency decomposition

Adj Embedding

Dense $n \times F$

$$\boldsymbol{P}_A \cdot \boldsymbol{P}_A^\top \approx \boldsymbol{A}^2$$

2-hop Adj Matrix

Sparse $n \times n$

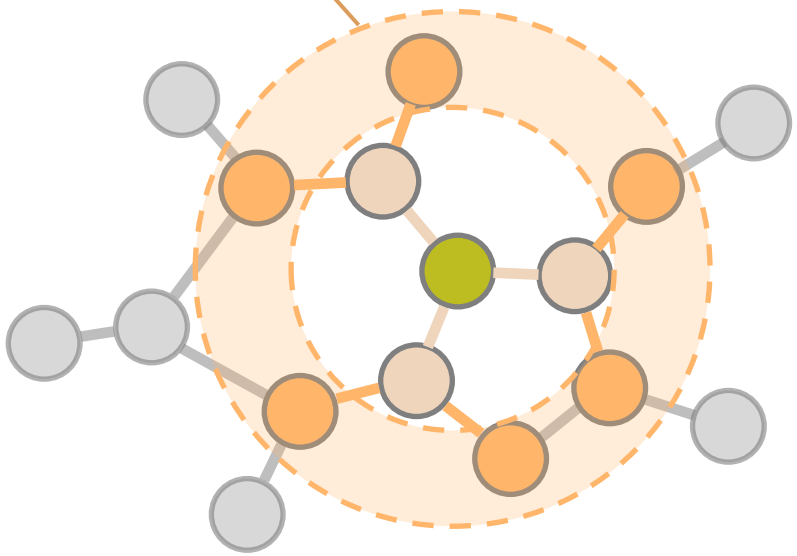
- Calculation:

Orthonormalize

$$\boldsymbol{P}_A = \phi\left(\boldsymbol{A}^2 \cdots \phi\left(\boldsymbol{A}^2 \mathcal{N}\right)\right)$$

Gaussian Matrix

2-hop Neighborhood

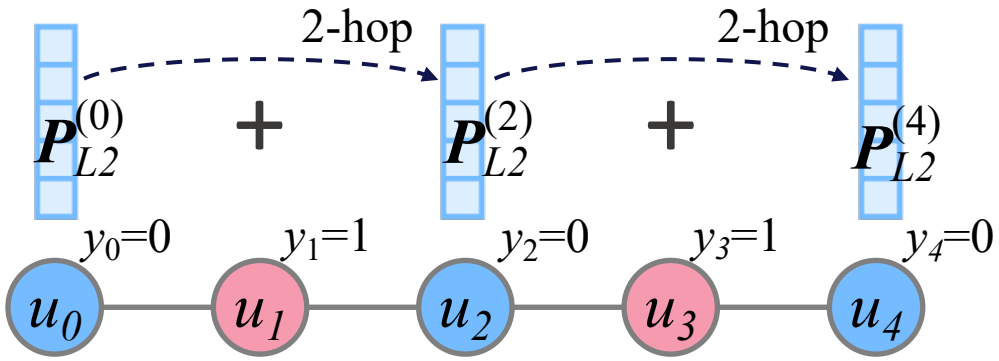


Method: Feature Embedding

- Long-Distance generalized graph propagation

CHANNEL①: *Constant* 2-hop Adjacency Propagation

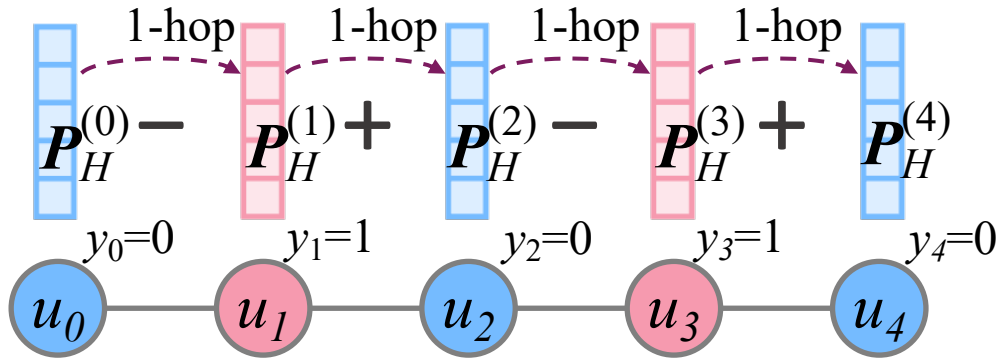
$$\boldsymbol{P}_{X,L2} = \sum_{l=1}^{L} \bar{\boldsymbol{A}}^{2l} \cdot \boldsymbol{X}$$



CHANNEL②: *Inverse* 1-hop Laplacian Propagation

Laplacian $\tilde{L} = I - \tilde{A}$

$$\boldsymbol{P}_{X,H} = \sum_{l=1}^{L} (\tilde{\boldsymbol{L}} + \boldsymbol{I})^{l} \cdot \boldsymbol{X}$$



Evaluation: Effectiveness

- Top 1 accuracy on 6/8 large-scale heterophilous datasets
- No accuracy drop for minibatch

Dataset	genius	tolokers	arxiv-year	penn94	twitch-gamers	pokec	snap-patents	wiki
Nodes n	421,858	11,758	169,343	41,536	168,114	1,632,803	**2,738,035**	1,770,981
Edges m	922,864	1,038,000	1,157,799	1,362,220	6,797,557	22,301,964	13,967,949	**242,507,069**
F / N_c	12 / 2	10 / 2	128 / 5	4,814 / 2	7 / 2	65 / 2	269 / 5	600 / 5
MLP	82.47 ±0.06	73.38 ±0.25	37.23 ±0.31	74.41 ±0.48	61.26 ±0.19	61.81 ±0.07	23.03 ±1.48	35.64 ±0.10
PPRGo	79.81 ±0.00	78.16 ±0.00	39.35 ±0.12	58.75 ±0.31	47.19 ±2.26	50.61 ±0.04	(>12h)	(>12h)
SGC	79.85 ±0.01	71.16 ±0.06	43.40 ±0.16	68.31 ±0.27	57.05 ±0.21	56.58 ±0.06	37.70 ±0.06	28.12 ±0.08
GCNJK-GS	80.65 ±0.07	74.41 ±0.73	48.26 ±0.64	65.91 ±0.16	59.91 ±0.42	59.38 ±0.21	33.64 ±0.05	42.95 ±0.39
MixHop-GS	80.63 ±0.04	77.47 ±0.40	49.26 ±0.16	75.00 ±0.37	61.80 ±0.00	64.02 ±0.02	34.73 ±0.15	45.52 ±0.11
LINKX	82.51 ±0.10	77.74 ±0.13	**50.44** ±0.30	**78.63** ±0.25	64.15 ±0.18	68.64 ±0.65	52.69 ±0.05	50.59 ±0.12
LD^2 (ours)	**85.31** ±0.06	**79.76** ±0.26	50.29 ±0.11	75.52 ±0.10	**64.33** ±0.19	**74.93** ±0.10	**58.58** ±0.34	**52.91** ±0.16

Evaluation: Efficiency

- 3-15× faster minibatch training, significantly fast inference
- Up to 5× lower GPU memory for large graphs

Dataset	twitch-gamers			pokec			snap-patents			wiki		
	Learn	Infer	Mem.	Learn	Infer	Mem.	Learn	Infer	Mem.	Learn	Infer	Mem.
MLP	6.36	0.02	0.61	47.86	0.11	13.77	27.39	0.28	9.33	133.55	0.62	18.15
PPRGo	10.46+15.88	0.41	9.64	121.95+56.11	2.69	3.82	(>12h)			(>12h)		
SGC	0.09+0.74	0.01	0.28	1.05+8.08	0.01	0.28	4.94+23.54	0.01	0.42	12.66+7.98	0.01	0.52
GCNJK-GS	71.48	0.02*	7.33	27.33	0.09*	9.03	19.02	0.23*	9.21	95.52	0.69*	16.36
MixHop-GS	52.12	0.01*	1.49	71.35	0.03*	12.91	45.24	0.16*	19.58	84.22	0.23*	16.28
LINKX	10.99	0.19	2.35	28.77	0.33	9.03	39.80	0.22	21.53	180.71	1.14	14.53
LD^2 (ours)	0.85+**1.96**	**0.01**	**1.44**	17.95+**6.18**	**0.01**	**3.82**	31.32+**6.96**	**0.02**	**3.96**	28.12+**6.50**	**0.01**	**4.47**

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