# DIRECTION AWARE POSITIONAL AND STRUCTURAL ENCODING FOR DIRECTED GRAPH NEURAL NETWORKS

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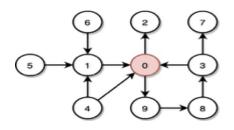
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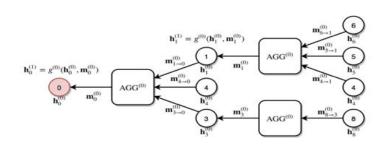
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• Graph Neural Networks(GNNs) are powerful at node classification because it learns node representations directly from k hop neighbors

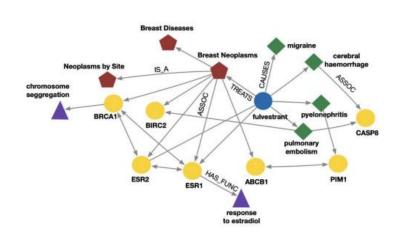




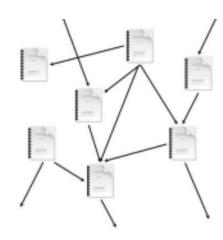
Original Graph

#### **Application Of Directed Link Prediction**

- Directed Link Prediction has many real world applications
- For example: Recommender Systems, Citation Networks, Biomedical knowledge graph



Biomedical knowledge graph



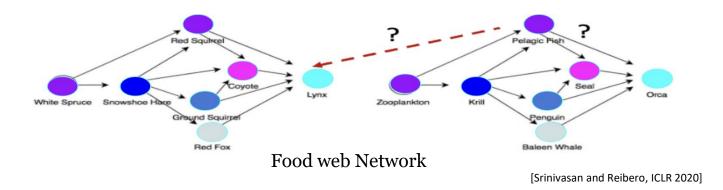
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- Graph Neural Networks(GNN), can not learn the latent link information between the linked nodes
- Nodes in Identical subgraphs get same representation(GIN, Xu et al. 2019)

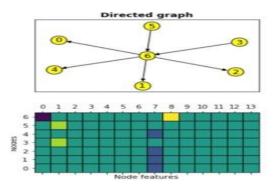


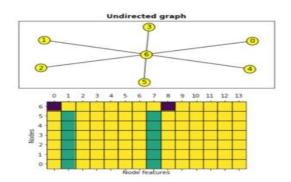


#### Positional encoding Based on Singular Value Decomposition(SVD)

- Positional Encoding: Provides additional features that can help to get the structural information of a link
- SVD based matrix factorizations is **valid** positional encoding and can capture **directionality**

$$\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{U} \mathbf{\Sigma} \mathbf{V}^T$$





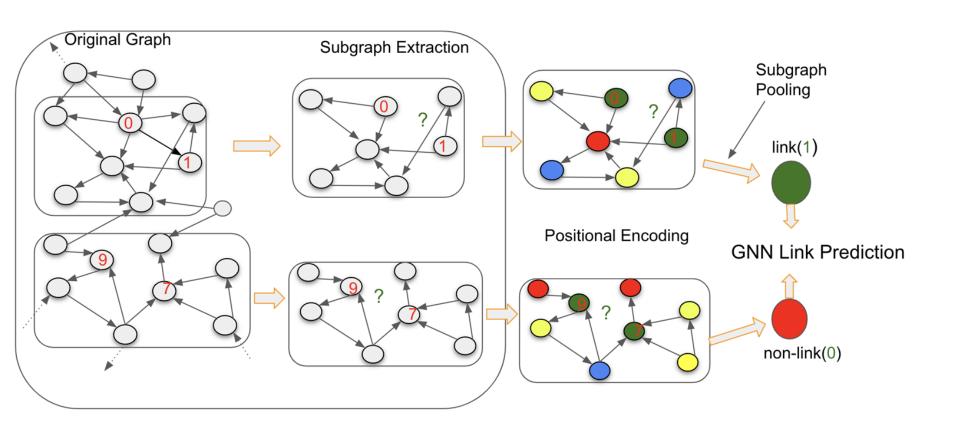
## **Our Proposed Direction aware Positional Encoding**

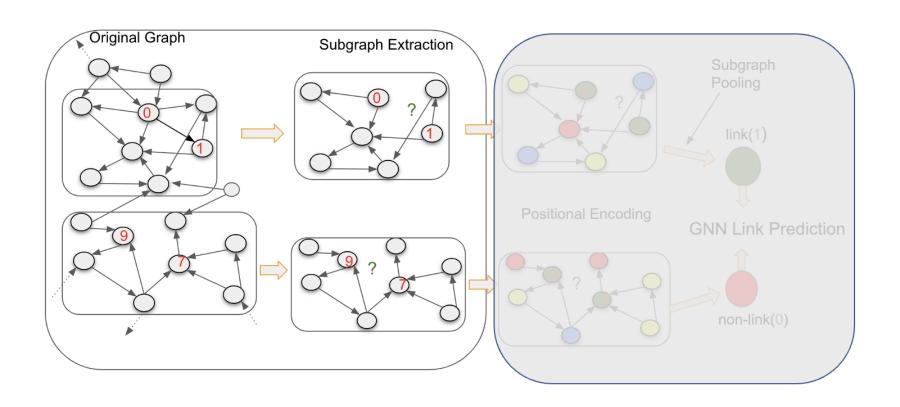
- For the nodes of the k hop subgraph around a directed link  $u \mapsto v$ , we computed **Truncated SVD** and **ranking score using HITS algorithm**.
  - o **Truncated SVD** is an approximation of the  $U_d \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times d}$  of its left singular subspace corresponding to its top singular value
  - **HITS algorithm** to compute ranking score using, the authority value a and hub value b

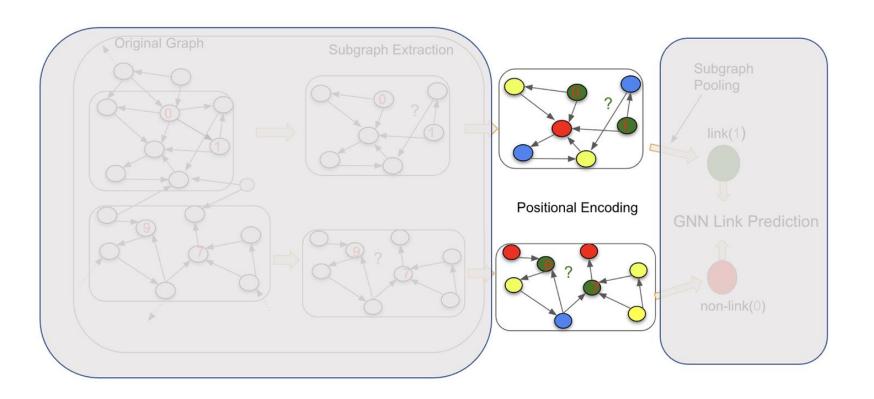
$$\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{h} \in \mathbb{R}^n$$

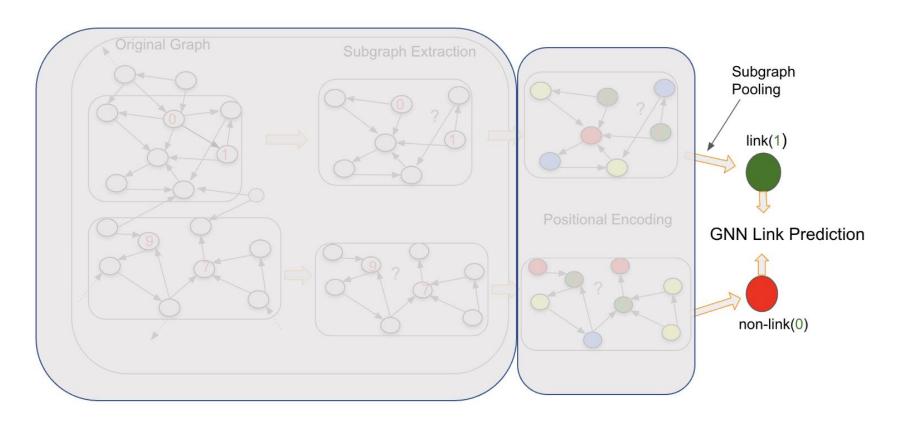
• Get the Positional encoding of node [ i ] around  $u \mapsto v$  by concatenating Truncated SVD and HITS value and use it as initial feature during GNN training

$$pe[i] = (hits[i]||svd[i]) \in \mathbb{R}^{d+2}$$









## **Experimental Results on directed link prediction**

AUC performance for Directed Link Predition, when both truncated SVD and Rank positional encodings are used.

Model	Cornel	Texas	Wisconsin	Citeseer	CoraML
GCN(SVD + Rank)	$86.16 \pm 1.52$	$87.27 \pm 2.77$	$82.13 \pm 2.26$	$87.97 \pm 0.57$	$88.15 \pm 0.73$
GIN(SVD + Rank)	$88.01 \pm 2.75$	90.72 ±2.24	$90.72 \pm 1.68$	$89.12 \pm 0.57$	$88.28 \pm 0.25$
SAGE(SVD + Rank)	$88.24 \pm 3.2$	$88.88 \pm 2.72$	$89.13 \pm 2.27$	$87.47 \pm 1.97$	$87.92 \pm 0.23$
DGCN	$82.24 \pm 3.47$	$84.01 \pm 1.67$	$82.89 \pm 1.74$	$82.02 \pm 0.8$	$82.92 \pm 0.37$
DiGraphIB	$81.93 \pm 1.65$	$82.72 \pm 1.58$	$81.67 \pm 1.74$	$84.89 \pm 0.76$	$85.27 \pm 0.62$
Magnet	$83.32 \pm 2.71$	$83.01 \pm 1.72$	$84.7 \pm 1.92$	$86.72 \pm 1.42$	$85.77 \pm 0.42$
DGCN(SVD + Rank)	$89.24 \pm 2.47$	$87.04 \pm 1.92$	$87.21 \pm 1.74$	$88.75 \pm 0.66$	$90.21 \pm 1.37$
DiGraphIB(SVD + Rank)	$87.58 \pm 2.17$	$87.01 \pm 2.87$	$88.11 \pm 2.74$	$89.82 \pm 0.68$	$89.2 \pm 0.58$
Magnet(SVD + Rank)	$\textbf{91.98} \pm \textbf{1.62}$	$89.98 \pm 2.91$	$\textbf{90.82} \pm \textbf{1.08}$	$91.66 \pm 0.81$	$\textbf{93.85} \pm \textbf{1.27}$

#### **Conclusion**

- Adding direction aware positional encoding can help GNNs to predict directed link
- Both **Truncated SVD** and **ranking score using HITS algorithm** can make GNNs more powerful for directed link prediction

# Thank You for Listening!