Meta-Inductive Node Classification across Graphs

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Semi-supervised node classification on graphs



(a) Transductive approach



(b) Conventional inductive approach

Two challenges of inductive semi-supervised node classification (Q1 & Q2)



Q1: How to dynamically adjust the inductive model?

We propose a **learning-to-train** framework.



Learn a prior that can be adapted to semi-supervised node classification on different graphs (an instance of **meta-learning**)

Q2: What form of general knowledge (i.e. prior)?



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MI-GNN: Meta-Inductive GNN



Our meta-inductive approach (MI-GNN)

Overall framework





Graph-level adaptation

- Graph prior ϕ .
 - We employ a graph prior ϕ to condition the task prior θ

Graph-conditioned task prior

$$\theta_i = \tau(\theta, \mathbf{g}; \phi) = (\gamma_i + \mathbf{1}) \circ \theta + \beta_i$$

$$G_i \text{-conditioned} \\ \textbf{task prior } \theta_i$$

$$f_i = G_i \text{-specific transformation} \\ (\gamma_i: \text{ scaling, } \beta_i: \text{ shifting})$$

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Graph conditioned transformation

• We use MLPs to generate the scaling and shifting vector $\gamma_i \& \beta_i$



 g_i is a graph-level representation of graph i

Graph-conditioned task prior



Task-level adaptation



Overall training objective

• After the dual adaptions on G_i , the goal is to **optimize the general knowledge** and the optimal (θ , ϕ) are given by



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Datasets

| Dataset | Flickr | Yelp | Cuneiform | COX2 | DHFR |
|----------------------------|--------|------|-----------|------|------|
| # Graphs | 800 | 800 | 267 | 467 | 756 |
| # Edges (avg.) | 13.1 | 43.5 | 20.1 | 44.8 | 44.5 |
| # Nodes (avg.) | 12.5 | 6.9 | 21.3 | 41.2 | 42.4 |
| <pre># Node features</pre> | 500 | 300 | 3 | 3 | 3 |
| # Node classes | 7 | 10 | 7 | 8 | 9 |
| Multi-label? | No | Yes | Yes | No | No |

(All 5 datasets are from PyTorch Geometric Datasets: <u>https://pytorch-</u> geometric.readthedocs.io/en/latest/modules/datasets.html)



https://www.smrfoundat ion.org/nodexl/automati on/flickr-data-recipes/



https://www.yelp.com/dataset



Walker C B F. Cuneiform[M]



Figure: Fielden S D P, Leigh D A, Woltering S L. Molecular knots[J]



Service R F. Molecular CT scan could speed drug discovery [J]

Performance comparison with baselines

We report the average accuracy and micro-F1 with 95% confidence interval, in percent. In each column, the best result is bolded and the runner-up is underlined. Improvement by MI-GNN is calculated relative to the best baseline. ***/**/* denotes the difference between MI-GNN and the best baseline is statistically significant at the 0.01/0.05/0.1 level under the two-tail *t*-test.

| | | Flie | Flickr Yelp Cuneiform | | iform | COX2 | | DHFR | | | |
|---|---------------|--------------------|-----------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| | .se | Accuracy | Micro-F1 | Accuracy | Micro-F1 | Accuracy | Micro-F1 | Accuracy | Micro-F1 | Accuracy | Micro-F1 |
| ~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~ | DeepWalk | 39.88 ± 2.42 | 30.01 ± 1.21 | 63.27±2.73 | 57.11±6.29 | 74.61 ± 0.60 | 27.05 ± 2.11 | 37.68 ± 0.73 | 26.16 ± 1.08 | 33.14 ± 0.18 | <u>29.93</u> ±0.58 |
| and | Transduct-GNN | 13.61 ± 1.22 | 10.71 ± 1.20 | 24.87±15.4 | 23.85 ± 14.6 | 49.63±0.95 | 34.00 ± 1.15 | 13.23 ± 0.17 | 9.73 ± 0.22 | 11.21 ± 0.33 | 8.65 ± 0.22 |
| hot | Planetoid | 14.78 ± 8.75 | 8.72 ± 3.07 | 53.12±2.38 | 46.29 ± 3.55 | 53.14±5.49 | 30.22 ± 5.83 | 11.81 ± 7.41 | 10.58 ± 8.79 | 17.35 ± 11.1 | 9.62±9.63 |
| | Induct-GNN | 40.48 ± 1.69 | 29.67 ± 1.77 | 65.95 ± 0.56 | 56.61 ± 1.81 | 74.89 ± 0.35 | 18.03 ± 0.93 | 53.71 ± 0.92 | 41.56 ± 1.90 | 45.23 ± 0.62 | 29.38 ± 6.07 |
| | K-NN | 34.11 ± 1.76 | 26.39 ± 1.39 | 61.70 ± 0.90 | 57.35 ± 1.42 | 70.36 ± 0.27 | 35.66 ± 0.84 | 33.16 ± 0.95 | $32.84{\pm}1.00$ | 36.32 ± 0.89 | 27.12 ± 1.20 |
| | AGF | 40.58 ± 1.61 | 28.99 ± 2.09 | 65.96 ± 0.54 | 56.64 ± 1.83 | 74.89 ± 0.37 | 18.00 ± 0.94 | 53.97 ± 0.79 | 42.00 ± 1.62 | 44.85 ± 0.56 | 29.08 ± 5.96 |
| | GFL | 30.24 ± 0.68 | 29.51±0.69 | 61.62±0.97 | 58.88 ± 2.03 | 63.72±0.37 | 38.30 ± 0.84 | 29.25 ± 0.73 | 25.53 ± 0.94 | 30.24 ± 0.68 | 29.51±0.69 |
| lets lestre. | Meta-GNN | 39.66 ± 0.92 | 30.02 ± 2.49 | 66.24 ± 0.84 | 56.20 ± 1.81 | 75.12 ± 0.33 | 19.21±1.25 | 53.24 ± 0.77 | 37.36 ± 3.02 | 45.61 ±0.65 | 28.34 ± 4.46 |
| | MI-GNN | 44.45 ±2.18 | 33.79 ±1.87 | 67.92 ±0.69 | 60.20 ±2.23 | 81.48 ±0.47 | 43.32 ±1.49 | 57.27 ±0.80 | 44.66 ±2.01 | 45.19±0.70 | 49.93 ±1.62 |
| | (improv.) | (+9.53%) | (+12.57%) | (+2.54%) | (+2.23%) | (+8.47%) | (+13.10%) | (+6.11%) | (+6.34%) | (-0.92%) | (+66.82%) |
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Alternative GNN architectures

Performance comparison of L2T-GNN and a few key baselines, whilst using **GCN** and **GraphSAGE** as the GNN architecture. We report the average accuracy with **95% confidence interval**.

| | GCN as the GNN Architecture | | | | | |
|---------------|-----------------------------|--------------------|------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--|
| | Flickr | Yelp | Cuneiform | COX2 | DHFR | |
| Transduct-GNN | 14.89 ± 0.94 | 50.92 ± 0.95 | 49.40 ± 2.27 | 11.89 ± 0.63 | 10.89 ± 0.43 | |
| Induct-GNN | 12.08 ± 3.98 | 55.04 ± 1.77 | 71.65 ± 0.46 | 86.06 ± 2.78 | <u>90.31</u> ±1.03 | |
| AGF | 11.94 ± 2.45 | 53.66 ± 3.04 | 71.66 ± 0.46 | 86.32 ± 3.08 | 89.64 ± 1.00 | |
| Meta-GNN | <u>22.51</u> ±3.05 | 54.80 ± 1.86 | 72.24 ± 0.88 | <u>86.92</u> ±3.66 | 90.26 ± 0.91 | |
| MI-GNN | 29.91 ±6.85 | 57.22 ±1.79 | 75.36±2.07 | 86.97 ±2.94 | 91.39 ±0.51 | |

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| Induct-GNN | 7.31±1.57 | 56.48 ± 1.73 | 84.46 ± 2.68 | 85.28 ± 1.78 | <u>88.65</u> ±4.79 |
| AGF | 7.45 ± 1.31 | 56.70 ± 2.04 | 84.66 ± 2.73 | 85.21±1.85 | 88.21±4.45 |
| Meta-GNN | <u>33.88</u> ±2.91 | 61.80 ± 1.81 | 84.46±2.44 | 86.05 ± 2.80 | 88.17 ± 4.71 |
| MI-GNN | 42.37 ±3.87 | 69.23 ±1.18 | 91.09 ±2.51 | 93.24 ±0.80 | 93.89 ±0.83 |

Ablation Study

Ablated versions of **MI-GNN**:

- Fine-tune only
 Neither graph- nor task-level adaptations, but a
 simple fine-tuning step.
- Graph-level only

Remove the task-level adaptation from MI-GNN.

• Task-level only

Remove graph-level adaptation from MI-GNN.



Performance case study

- Transductive methods are **not influenced** by similarity between testing and training graphs.
- Performance of inductive models **correlates** to such similarity.
- Our meta-inductive approach is **robust** due to the **dual-adaptation**.



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- Conclusion:
 - Studied the problem of inductive semi-supervised node classification across graphs.
 - Proposed a novel framework called MI-GNN, containing a dual adaptation mechanism at both the graph and task levels.
 - Conduct extensive experiments on five real-world graph collections.

- Future work:
 - Consider the **node level** adaptation, additionally
 - Apply to heterogeneous network

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