GEEM : An algorithm for Active Learning on Attributed Graphs

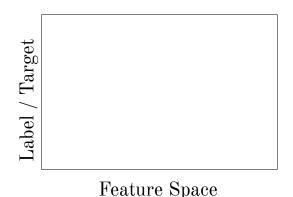
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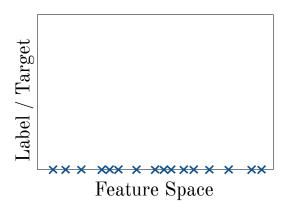
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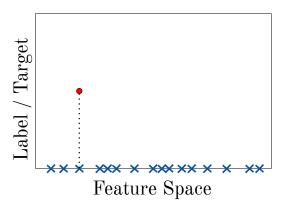


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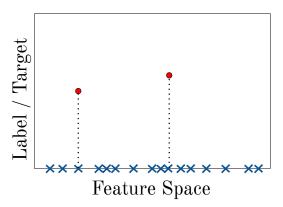
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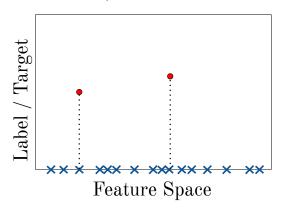
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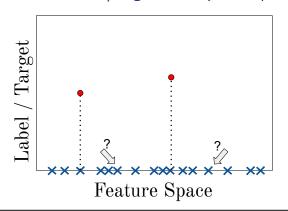


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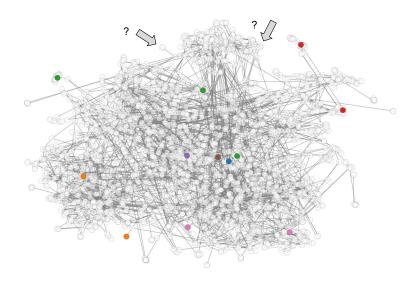
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Goal: Choose optimal queries to maximize performance.

Active Learning for Node Classification



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Repeat until the query budget \mathcal{B} has been reached.

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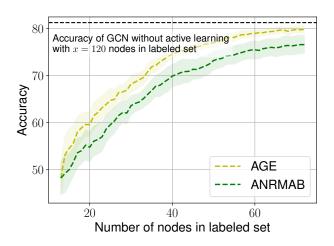
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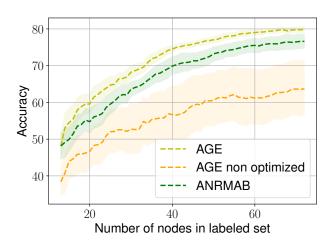
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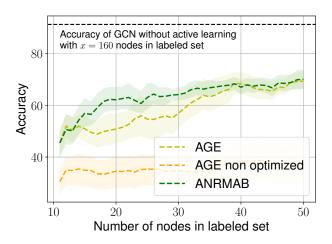
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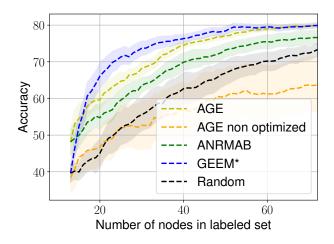
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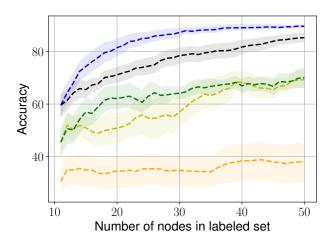
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