## Optimal Transport for structured data with application on graphs



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A novel distance between labeled graphs based on optimal transport

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Optimal transport: soft assignment between the nodes

Distance $=1.41$

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Computing average of labeled graphs

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weighted by their masses $\left(h_{i}\right)_{i}$

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where $\boldsymbol{\pi}$ is the soft assignment matrix $\alpha$ is a trade-off features/structures

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## Properties

- Interpolate between Wasserstein distance on features and Gromov-Wasserstein distance on the structures
- Distance on labeled graph: vanishes iff graphs have same labels and weights at the same place up to a permutation


## Optimization problem

- Non convex Quadratic Program: hard!
- Conditional Gradient Descent (aka Frank Wolfe)

Suitable for entropic regularization + Sinkhorn iteraterations

## Applications

## Classification

|  |  |  |  |  | LABELED GRAPHS |  | VOCIAL GRAPHS |  | VECTOR ATTRIBUTES GRAPH |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| DATASET | MUTAG | PTC | NCI1 | IMDB-B | SYNTHETIC | PROTEIN | CUNEIFORM |  |  |  |
| WL | $86.21 \pm 8.15$ | $62.17 \pm 7.80$ | $85.13 \pm 1.61$ | UNAPPLICABLE(U) | U | U |  |  |  |  |
| GK | $82.42 \pm 8.40$ | $56.46 \pm 8.03$ | $60.78 \pm 2.48$ | $56.00 \pm 3.61$ | $41.13 \pm 4.68$ | U |  |  |  |  |
| RW | $79.47 \pm 8.17$ | $55.09 \pm 7.34$ | $58.63 \pm 2.44$ | U | U | U |  |  |  |  |
| SP | $85.79 \pm 2.51$ | $58.53 \pm 2.55$ | $73.00 \pm 0.51$ | $55.80 \pm 2.93$ | $38.93 \pm 5.12$ | U | U |  |  |  |
| HOPPER | U | U | U | U | $90.67 \pm 4.67$ | $71.96 \pm 3.22$ | $32.59 \pm 8.73$ |  |  |  |
| PROPA | U | U | U | U | $64.67 \pm 6.70$ | $61.34 \pm 4.38$ | $12.59 \pm 6.67$ |  |  |  |
| PSCN $k=10$ | $83.47 \pm 10.26$ | $58.34 \pm 7.71$ | $70.65 \pm 2.58$ | U | $\mathbf{1 0 0 . 0 0} \pm \mathbf{0 . 0 0}$ | $67.95 \pm 11.28$ | $25.19 \pm 7.73$ |  |  |  |
| FGW | $\mathbf{8 8 . 4 2} \pm \mathbf{5 . 6 7}$ | $\mathbf{6 5 . 3 1} \pm \mathbf{7 . 9 0}$ | $\mathbf{8 6 . 4 2} \pm \mathbf{1 . 6 3}$ | $\mathbf{6 3 . 8 0} \pm \mathbf{3 . 4 9}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 . 0 0} \pm \mathbf{0 . 0 0}$ | $\mathbf{7 4 . 5 5} \pm \mathbf{2 . 7 4}$ | $\mathbf{7 6 . 6 7} \pm \mathbf{7 . 0 4}$ |  |  |  |

Graph Barycenter + k-means clustering of graphs
Noiseless graph Sample 1 Sample 2 Sample 3 Sample 4 Sample 5 Sample 6 Bary $n=15$ Bary $n=7$

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