



# ProGCL: Rethinking Hard Negative Mining in Graph Contrastive Learning

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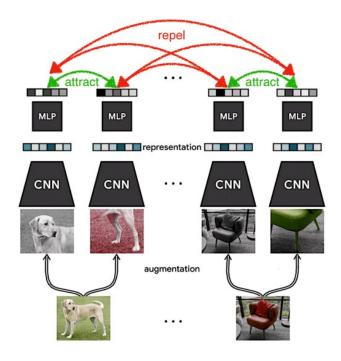


# Preamble

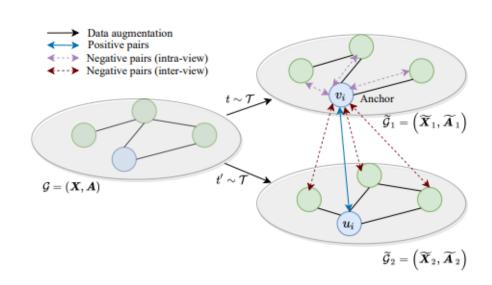




Contrastive Learning (CL) & Graph Contrastive Learning (GCL)



Ref 1. SimCLR, ICML'20



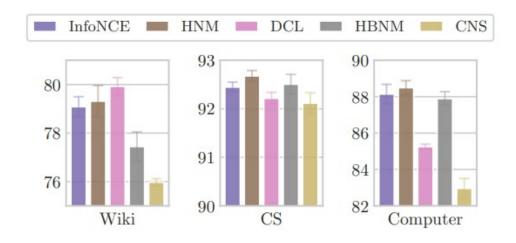
Ref 2. GCA, WWW'21

# **Analysis**





### Hard Negative Mining Methods Fail in Graph Contrastive Learning



Methods/Datasets	Amazon-Photo	Amazon-Computers	Coauthor-CS
GCA	92.55	87.82	92.40
+DCL	91.02 (\ 1.53)	86.58 (\ 1.24)	92.36 (\ 0.04)
+HCL	91.48 (\ 1.07)	87.21 (\ 0.61)	93.06 († 0.66)
+MoCHi	92.36 (\ 0.19)	87.68 († 0.14)	92.58 († 0.18)
+Ring	91.33 (\ 1.22)	84.18 (\ 3.64)	92.48 (\ 0.08)
+ProGCL-mix	<b>93.64</b> († 1.09)	<b>89.55</b> († 1.73)	<b>93.67</b> († 1.27)

Ref 3. NeurIPS' 21 (Benchmarks Track)

Table 1. Our Results

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Why above phenomena would occur?

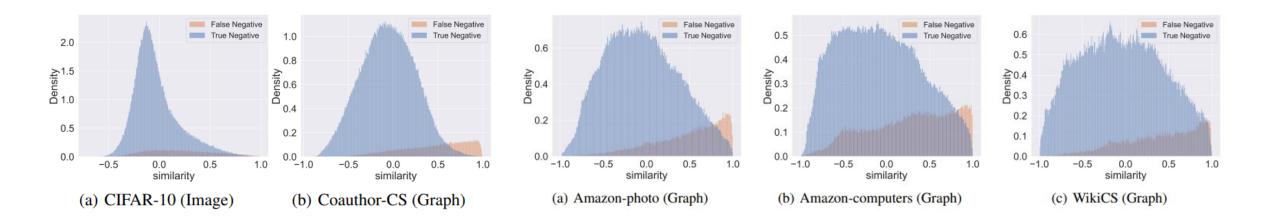


Fig 2. Similarity histograms of negatives.

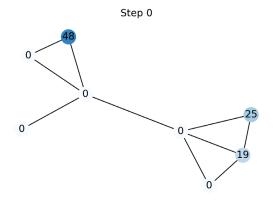
Unlike CL, most negatives with larger similarities to the anchor are false ones in GCL.

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### Experimental & Theoretical Analysis



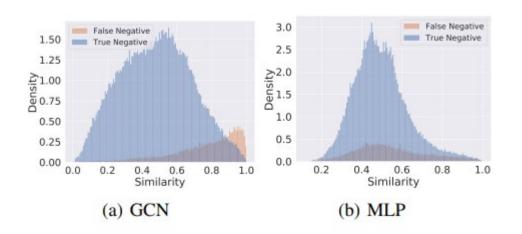


Fig 3. Semantic Diagram of Messaging-Passing.

Fig 4. GCN (with MP) vs. MLP (w/o MP).

Delving into the Role of Message-Passing in GCL





#### How to eliminate the bias?

#### a. Fit the negatives' distribution with Beta Mixture Model (BMM)

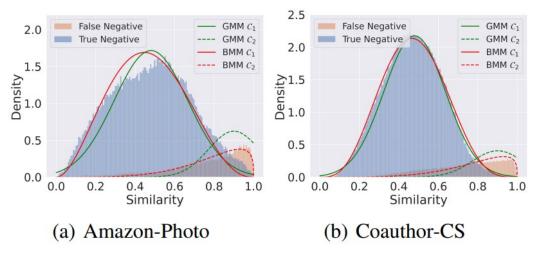
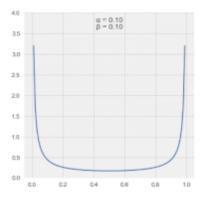


Fig 5. Empirical distribution v.s. estimated distribution.

Beta distribution 
$$p(s \mid \alpha, \beta) = \frac{\Gamma(\alpha + \beta)}{\Gamma(\alpha)\Gamma(\beta)} s^{\alpha - 1} (1 - s)^{\beta - 1}$$



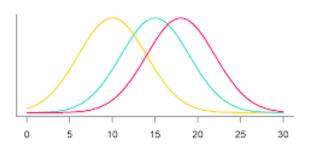


Fig 6. Beta distribution v.s. Normal distribution.

Normal distribution 
$$f(x) = rac{1}{\sigma\sqrt{2\pi}}e^{-rac{1}{2}\left(rac{x-\mu}{\sigma}
ight)^2}$$





#### Expectation-Maximization for Beta Mixture Distribution

a. E-Step

$$p(s) = \sum_{c=1}^{C} \lambda_{c} p(s \mid \alpha_{c}, \beta_{c}), \quad p(c \mid s) = \frac{\lambda_{c} p(s \mid \alpha_{c}, \beta_{c})}{\sum_{j=1}^{C} \lambda_{j} p(s \mid \alpha_{j}, \beta_{j})} \ \bar{s}_{c} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{M} p(c \mid s_{i}) s_{i}}{\sum_{i=1}^{M} p(c \mid s_{i})}, \quad v_{c}^{2} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{M} p(c \mid s_{i}) (s_{i} - \bar{s}_{c})^{2}}{\sum_{i=1}^{M} p(c \mid s_{i})}$$

b. M-Step

$$\alpha_c = \bar{s}_c \left( \frac{\bar{s}_c \left( 1 - \bar{s}_c \right)}{v_c^2} - 1 \right), \quad \beta_c = \frac{\alpha_c \left( 1 - \bar{s}_c \right)}{\bar{s}_c} \qquad \lambda_c = \frac{1}{M} \sum_{i=1}^M p(c \mid s_i) \qquad p\left(c \mid s\right) = \frac{p(c)p\left(s \mid \alpha_c, \beta_c\right)}{p\left(s\right)}$$





#### Scheme 1: ProGCL-weight

New Measure: 
$$w(i,k) = \frac{p\left(c_t \mid s_{ik}\right) s_{ik}}{\frac{1}{N-1} \sum_{j \neq i} [p\left(c_t \mid s_{ij}\right) s_{ij}]}$$

$$\log \frac{e^{\frac{\theta(u_i,v_i)}{\tau}}}{\underbrace{e^{\frac{\theta(u_i,v_i)}{\tau}}}_{\text{positive pair}} + \underbrace{\sum_{k \neq i} w(i,k) e^{\frac{\theta(u_i,v_k)}{\tau}}}_{\text{inter-view negative pairs}} + \underbrace{\sum_{k \neq i} w(i,k) e^{\frac{\theta(u_i,u_k)}{\tau}}}_{\text{intra-view negative pairs}}$$

$$\mathcal{J}_{w} = -rac{1}{2N}\sum_{i=1}^{N}\left[\ell_{w}\left(oldsymbol{u}_{i},oldsymbol{v}_{i}
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#### Scheme 2: ProGCL-mix

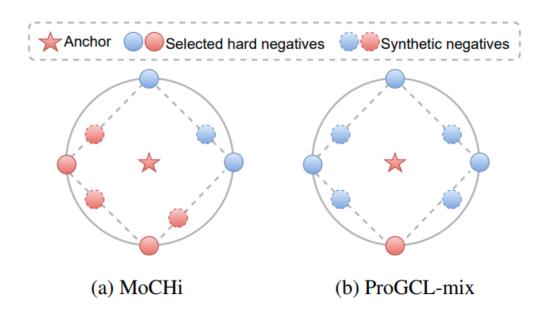


Fig 7. MoChi (NeurIPS' 21) v.s. ProGCL-mix.

$$\begin{split} \tilde{\boldsymbol{u}}_k &= \alpha_k \boldsymbol{v}_p + (1 - \alpha_k) \, \boldsymbol{v}_q, \\ \alpha_k &= \frac{p \, (c_t \mid s_{ip})}{p \, (c_t \mid s_{ip}) + p \, (c_t \mid s_{iq})} \\ \ell_m \, (\boldsymbol{u}_i, \boldsymbol{v}_i) &= \\ \log \frac{e^{\frac{\theta(\boldsymbol{u}_i, \boldsymbol{v}_i)}{\tau}}}{e^{\frac{\theta(\boldsymbol{u}_i, \boldsymbol{v}_i)}{\tau}} + \sum_{k \neq i} e^{\frac{\theta(\boldsymbol{u}_i, \boldsymbol{v}_k)}{\tau}} + \sum_{k \neq i} e^{\frac{\theta(\boldsymbol{u}_i, \boldsymbol{u}_k)}{\tau}} + \sum_{k = 1}^m e^{\frac{\theta(\boldsymbol{u}_i, \boldsymbol{u}_k)}{\tau}} \\ \inf_{\text{inter-view negative pairs}} + \sum_{i \neq i} e^{\frac{\theta(\boldsymbol{u}_i, \boldsymbol{v}_i)}{\tau}} + \sum_{k \neq i} e^{\frac{\theta(\boldsymbol{u}_i, \boldsymbol{u}_k)}{\tau}} + \sum_{k \neq i} e^{\frac{\theta(\boldsymbol{u}_i, \boldsymbol{u}_i, \boldsymbol{u}_i)}{\tau}} + \sum_{k \neq i} e^{\frac{\theta(\boldsymbol{u}_i, \boldsymbol{u}_i, \boldsymbol{u}_i, \boldsymbol{u}_i, \boldsymbol{u}_i)}{\tau} + \sum_{k \neq i} e^{\frac{\theta(\boldsymbol{u}_i, \boldsymbol{u}_i, \boldsymbol{u}_i, \boldsymbol{u}_i, \boldsymbol{u}_i, \boldsymbol{$$

 $\mathcal{J}_{m} = -\frac{1}{2N} \sum_{i=1}^{N} \left[ \ell_{m} \left( \boldsymbol{u}_{i}, \boldsymbol{v}_{i} \right) + \ell_{m} \left( \boldsymbol{v}_{i}, \boldsymbol{u}_{i} \right) \right]$ 







### Results in Transductive Setting

Method	Available Data	Amazon-Photo	Amazon-Computers	Coauthor-CS	Wiki-CS
Raw features	$\boldsymbol{X}$	$78.53 \pm 0.00$	$73.81 \pm 0.00$	$90.37 \pm 0.00$	$71.98 \pm 0.00$
node2vec	$oldsymbol{A}$	$89.67 \pm 0.12$	$84.39 \pm 0.08$	$85.08 \pm 0.03$	$71.79 \pm 0.05$
DeepWalk	$oldsymbol{A}$	$89.44 \pm 0.11$	$85.68 \pm 0.06$	$84.61 \pm 0.22$	$74.35 \pm 0.06$
DeepWalk + features	$oldsymbol{X},oldsymbol{A}$	$90.05 \pm 0.08$	$86.28 \pm 0.07$	$87.70 \pm 0.04$	$77.21 \pm 0.03$
GAE	$oldsymbol{X},oldsymbol{A}$	$91.62 \pm 0.13$	$85.27 \pm 0.19$	$90.01 \pm 0.17$	$70.15 \pm 0.01$
VGAE	$oldsymbol{X},oldsymbol{A}$	$92.20 \pm 0.11$	$86.37 \pm 0.21$	$92.11 \pm 0.09$	$75.35 \pm 0.14$
DGI	$oldsymbol{X},oldsymbol{A}$	$91.61 \pm 0.22$	$83.95 \pm 0.47$	$92.15 \pm 0.63$	$75.35 \pm 0.14$
GMI	$oldsymbol{X},oldsymbol{A}$	$90.68 \pm 0.17$	$82.21 \pm 0.31$	OOM	$74.85 \pm 0.08$
$MVGRL^*$	$oldsymbol{X},oldsymbol{A}$	$92.08 \pm 0.01$	$87.45 \pm 0.21$	$92.18 \pm 0.15$	$77.43 \pm 0.17$
$BGRL^*$	$oldsymbol{X},oldsymbol{A}$	$92.95 \pm 0.07$	$87.89 \pm 0.10$	$92.72 \pm 0.03$	$78.41 \pm 0.09$
$MERIT^*$	$oldsymbol{X},oldsymbol{A}$	$92.53 \pm 0.15$	$88.01 \pm 0.12$	$92.51 \pm 0.14$	$78.35 \pm 0.05$
$GCA^*$	$oldsymbol{X},oldsymbol{A}$	$92.55 \pm 0.03$	$87.82 \pm 0.11$	$92.40 \pm 0.07$	$78.26 \pm 0.06$
<b>ProGCL-weight</b>	$oldsymbol{X},oldsymbol{A}$	$93.30 \pm 0.09$	$89.28 \pm 0.15$	$93.51 \pm 0.06$	$\textbf{78.68} \pm \textbf{0.12}$
ProGCL-mix	$oldsymbol{X},oldsymbol{A}$	$93.64 \pm 0.13$	$89.55 \pm 0.16$	$\textbf{93.67} \pm \textbf{0.12}$	$78.45 \pm 0.04$
Supervised GCN	X, A, Y	$92.42 \pm 0.22$	$86.51 \pm 0.54$	$93.03 \pm 0.31$	$77.19 \pm 0.12$
Supervised GAT	$oldsymbol{X}, oldsymbol{A}, oldsymbol{Y}$	$92.56 \pm 0.35$	$86.93 \pm 0.29$	$92.31 \pm 0.24$	$77.65 \pm 0.11$







### Results in Inductive Setting

Method	Available Data	Flickr	Reddit
Raw features	X	20.3	58.5
DeepWalk	$oldsymbol{A}$	27.9	32.4
GraphSAGE	$oldsymbol{X},oldsymbol{A}$	36.5	90.8
DGI	$oldsymbol{X},oldsymbol{A}$	$42.9 \pm 0.1$	$94.0 \pm 0.1$
GMI	$oldsymbol{X},oldsymbol{A}$	$44.5 \pm 0.2$	$94.8 \pm 0.0$
COLES-S <sup>2</sup> GC	$oldsymbol{X},oldsymbol{A}$	$46.8 {\pm} 0.5$	$95.2 \pm 0.3$
GRACE	$oldsymbol{X},oldsymbol{A}$	$48.0 \pm 0.1$	$94.2 \pm 0.0$
<b>ProGCL-weight</b>	$oldsymbol{X},oldsymbol{A}$	$49.2 \pm 0.6$	95.1±0.2
ProGCL-mix	$oldsymbol{X},oldsymbol{A}$	50.0±0.3	95.6±0.1
Supervised FastGCN	$oldsymbol{X}, oldsymbol{A}, oldsymbol{Y}$	48.1±0.5	89.5±1.2
Supervised GraphSAGE	$oldsymbol{X}, oldsymbol{A}, oldsymbol{Y}$	$\underline{50.1{\pm}1.3}$	$92.1 \pm 1.1$

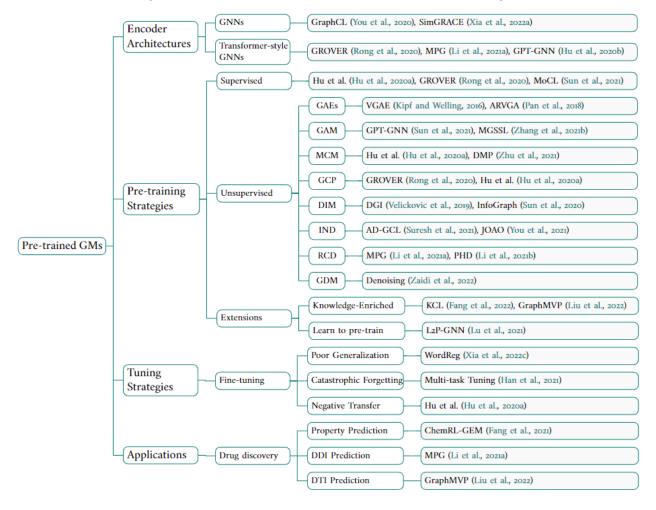
	Validation	Test
MLP	$57.65 \pm 0.12$	$55.50 \pm 0.23$
node2vec	$71.29 \pm 0.13$	$70.07\pm0.13$
Random-Init	$69.90 \pm 0.11$	$68.94 \pm 0.15$
DGI	$71.26 \pm 0.11$	$70.34 \pm 0.16$
<b>GRACE-Subsampling</b>	$72.61 \pm 0.15$	$71.51 \pm 0.11$
BGRL	$72.53 \pm 0.09$	$71.64 \pm 0.12$
COLES-S <sup>2</sup> GC	_	$72.48\pm0.25$
<b>ProGCL-weight</b>	$72.45\pm0.21$	$72.18 \pm 0.09$
ProGCL-mix	$\textbf{72.82} \pm \textbf{0.08}$	$\textbf{72.56} \pm \textbf{0.20}$
Supervised GCN	$73.00 \pm 0.17$	$71.74 \pm 0.29$
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### **Concluding Remarks**

• Pretrained Graph Models for Molecular Representations: Retrospect and Prospect











- Useful Resources
  - a. The first comprehensive survey of pre-training on molecular graphs.
    - √ https://bit.ly/PGMs\_survey
    - ✓ Journal version is under review.



- b. A curated list of must-read papers, open-source pre-trained models and pre-training datasets.
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