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Motivation



- Over-smoothing in GCNs \rightarrow node representations become indistinguishable.
- New observation: graph-level over-smoothing.
 - Node representations become indistinguishable.
 - Global readouts like sum or mean ignore local structure differences.
- Preserve local discriminative information and generate more distinct graph-level representations.

Contributions

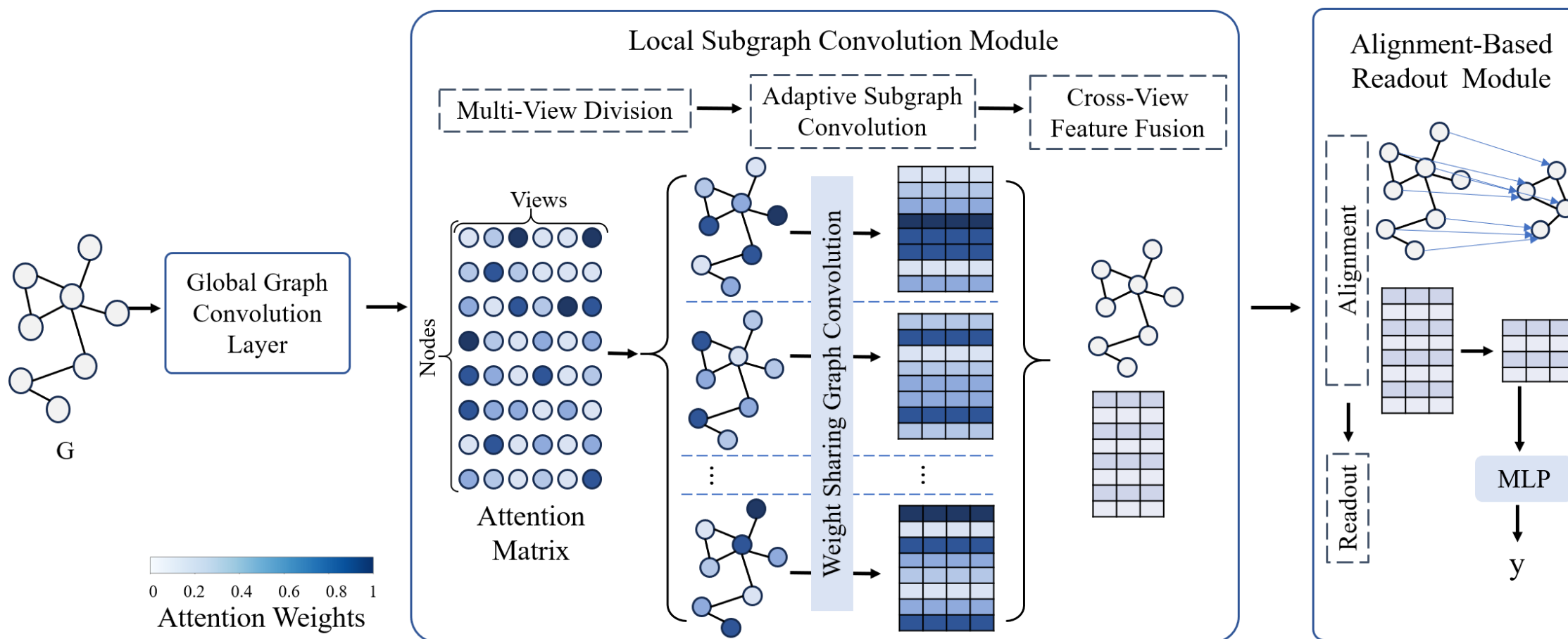


- Adaptive Multi-Viewed Subgraph Convolutional Networks (MultiNet)
 - Local Subgraph Convolution:
 - Adaptively divides graphs into multiple views to capture discriminative local structures.
 - Alignment-Based Readout:
 - Establishes consistent cluster-level correspondences to preserve structural information.
 - Theoretical & Empirical Validation:
 - Formally defines and validates the mitigation of graph-level over-smoothing.

Methodology



■ Adaptive Multi-Viewed Subgraph Convolutional Networks (MultiNet)



■ Local Subgraph Convolution Module

- Multi-Viewed Subgraph Division:

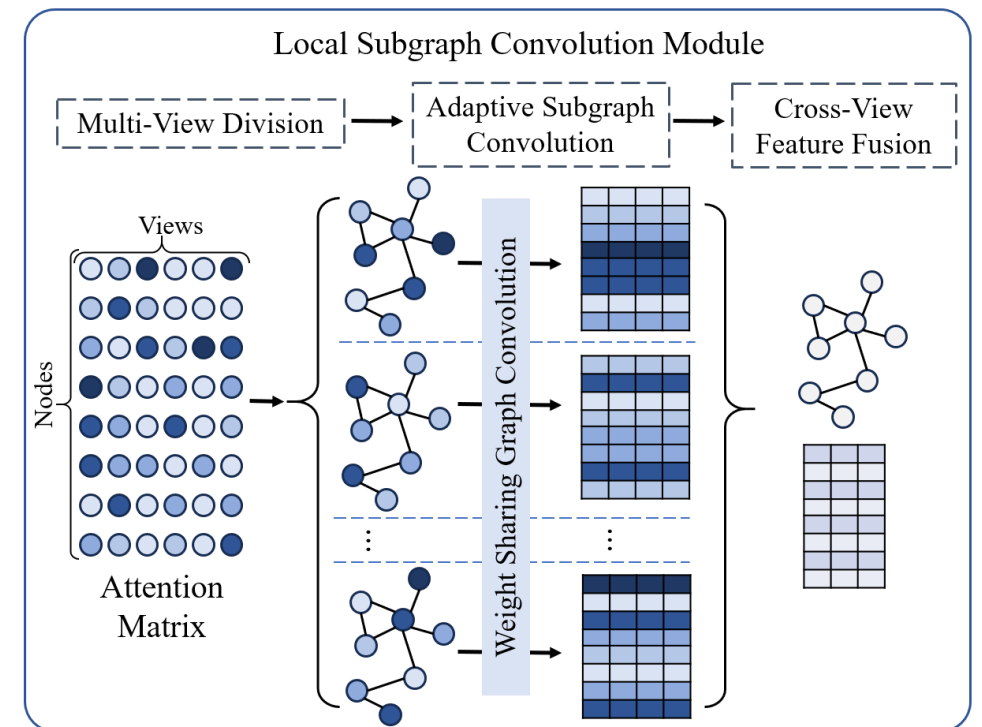
$$P = \text{softmax}(\tilde{A}X^{(0)}W_P),$$

- Adaptive Subgraph Convolution Operation:

$$X_j^{(l+1)} = \sigma \left((\tilde{A}X_j^{(l)}) \odot P_j W^{(l)} \right)$$

- Cross-Viewed Feature Fusion

$$X^{(L)} = \text{MLP}([X_1^{(L)} \parallel X_2^{(L)} \parallel \dots \parallel X_m^{(L)}])$$



■ Alignment-based Readout

- Learn a shared cluster assignment:

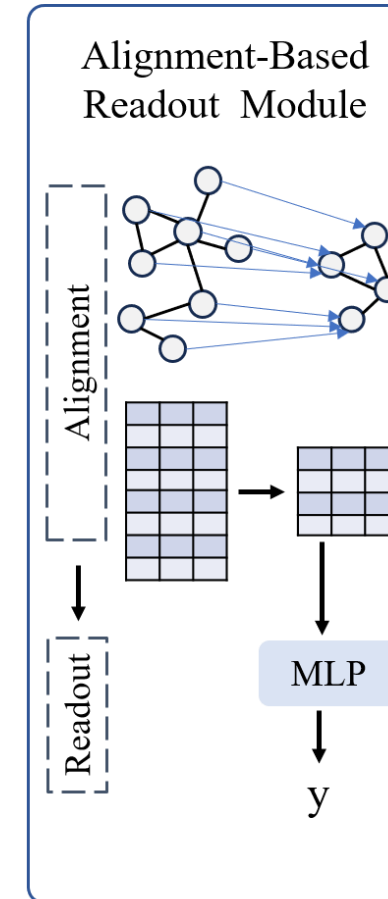
$$S = \text{softmax}(\tilde{A}X^{(L)}W_S)$$

- Align the node features:

$$\tilde{X} = S^\top X^{(L)}$$

- Apply an MLP for expressive readout:

$$y = \text{MLP}(\tilde{X})$$



Methodology



■ Theoretical Analysis

■ Constrained propagation

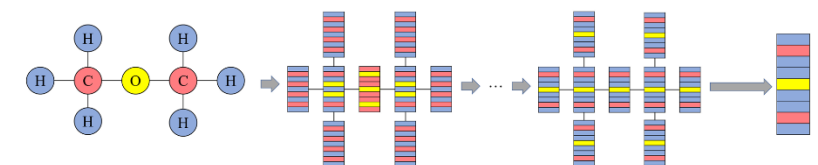
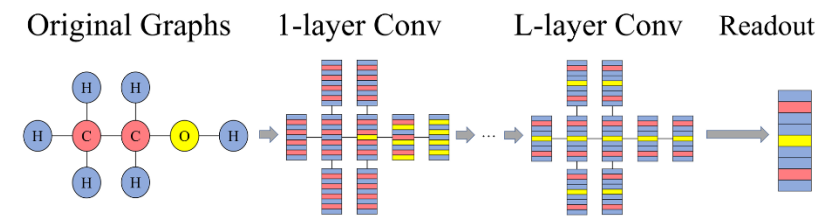
- view-specific propagation kernel

$$\tilde{A}_j = \text{diag}(P_j) \tilde{A} \text{diag}(P_j)$$

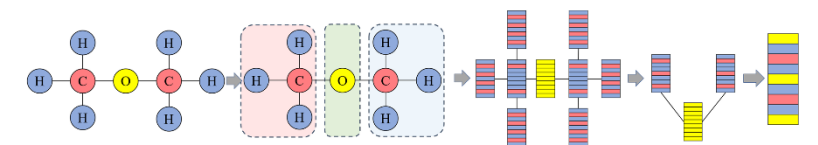
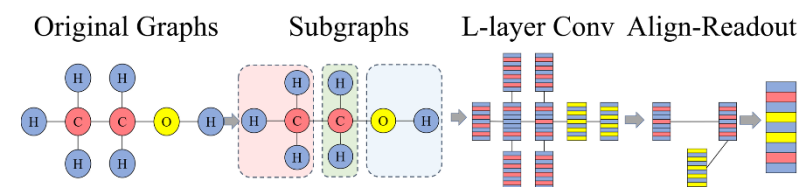
■ Spectral radius $\rho(\tilde{A}_j) < \rho(\tilde{A}) = 1$

- limits diffusion, prevents convergence to the dominant eigenvector

→ mitigates over-smoothing.



The conventional GCNs



Our MultiNet

● ● ● Different atoms ■ ■ ■ Node features and graph representations

 The subgraph regions emphasized by different views

Experimental Results

■ Experiments on Graph Classification

Table 1: Classification accuracy (In % \pm standard error) on benchmark datasets.

Method	MUTAG	PTC_MR	ENZYMES	PROTEINS	DD	IMDB-B	IMDB-M	Rank
DGCNN	84.0 \pm 6.7	58.3 \pm 7.0	38.9 \pm 5.7	72.9 \pm 3.5	76.6 \pm 4.3	69.2 \pm 3.0	45.6 \pm 3.4	12.40
DiffPool	79.8 \pm 7.1	60.8 \pm 7.0	59.5 \pm 5.6	73.7 \pm 3.5	75.0 \pm 3.5	68.4 \pm 3.3	45.6 \pm 3.4	10.80
ECC	75.4 \pm 6.2	55.7 \pm 3.3	29.5 \pm 8.2	72.3 \pm 3.4	72.69 \pm 4.1	67.7 \pm 2.8	43.5 \pm 3.1	15.60
GIN	84.7 \pm 6.7	58.8 \pm 5.5	59.6\pm4.5	73.3 \pm 4.0	75.3 \pm 2.9	71.2 \pm 3.9	48.5 \pm 3.3	7.40
GraphSAGE	83.6 \pm 9.6	60.1 \pm 4.7	58.2 \pm 6.0	73.0 \pm 4.5	72.9 \pm 2.0	68.8 \pm 4.5	47.6 \pm 3.5	10.80
DGK	82.66 \pm 1.45	57.32 \pm 1.13	53.4 \pm 0.9	71.68 \pm 0.50	78.50 \pm 0.22	66.96 \pm 0.56	44.55 \pm 0.52	10.57
1-RWNN	89.2 \pm 4.3	—	56.7 \pm 5.2	74.7 \pm 3.3	77.6 \pm 4.7	70.8 \pm 4.8	47.8 \pm 3.8	6.33
2-RWNN	88.1 \pm 4.8	—	57.4 \pm 4.9	74.1 \pm 2.8	76.9 \pm 4.6	70.6 \pm 4.4	48.8 \pm 2.9	7.16
3-RWNN	88.6 \pm 4.1	—	57.6 \pm 6.3	74.3 \pm 3.3	77.4 \pm 4.9	70.7 \pm 3.9	47.8 \pm 3.5	6.50
GKNN-WL	85.73 \pm 2.70	59.29 \pm 2.54	—	74.94 \pm 1.10	—	69.70 \pm 2.20	47.87 \pm 1.78	7.00
GKNN-GL	85.24 \pm 2.28	60.13 \pm 1.94	—	75.36 \pm 1.12	—	69.90 \pm 2.20	45.67 \pm 1.22	7.40
RWGK	80.77 \pm 0.72	55.91 \pm 0.37	22.37 \pm 0.35	74.20 \pm 0.40	71.70 \pm 0.47	67.94 \pm 0.77	46.72 \pm 0.30	13.14
SPGK	83.38 \pm 0.31	56.55 \pm 0.53	29.00 \pm 0.48	75.10 \pm 0.50	78.45 \pm 0.26	71.26 \pm 1.04	51.33 \pm 0.57	6.71
GK	81.66 \pm 0.11	—	24.87 \pm 0.22	71.67 \pm 0.55	78.45 \pm 0.26	65.87 \pm 0.98	45.42 \pm 0.87	14.17
WLSK	82.88 \pm 0.57	56.05 \pm 0.51	52.75 \pm 0.44	73.52 \pm 0.43	79.78\pm0.36	71.88 \pm 0.77	49.50 \pm 0.49	7.14
JTQK	85.50 \pm 0.55	57.39 \pm 0.46	56.41 \pm 0.42	72.86 \pm 0.41	79.49 \pm 0.32	72.45 \pm 0.81	50.33 \pm 0.49	6.00
ASK	87.50 \pm 0.65	—	—	—	70.38 \pm 0.22	—	50.12 \pm 0.51	9.33
EDBMK	86.35	56.75	36.85	—	78.19	—	—	8.25
QBMK	88.55 \pm 0.43	59.38 \pm 0.36	—	—	77.60 \pm 0.47	—	—	5.00
MultiNet	89.81\pm1.46	62.65\pm0.88	54.83 \pm 1.55	76.40\pm0.87	78.90 \pm 0.51	76.49\pm0.60	51.93\pm0.25	2.28

Experimental Results

■ Evaluations on Mitigating the Over-Smoothing

- Average Cosine Distance (AD): $\mu(H) = \frac{1}{N^2} \sum_{i=1}^N \sum_{j=1}^N \left(1 - \frac{H_i^\top H_j}{\|H_i\| \|H_j\|} \right)$

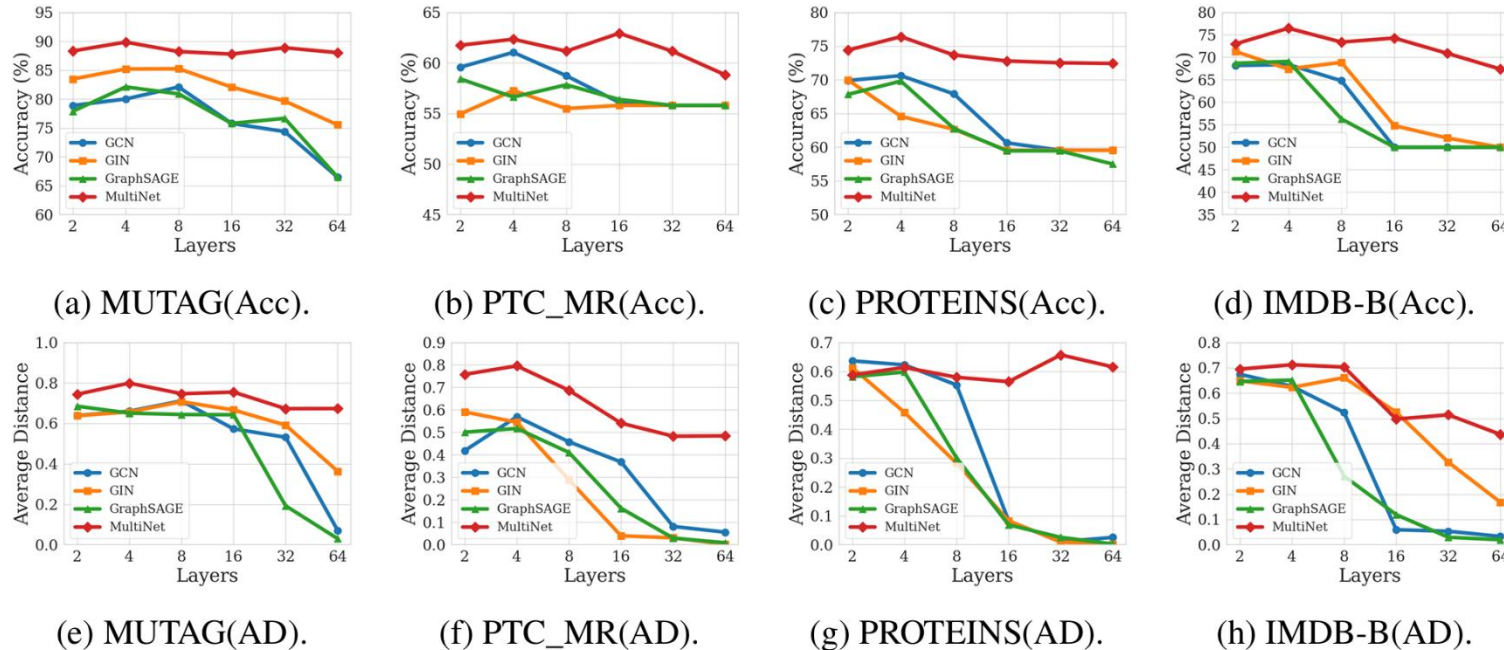


Figure 4: Classification accuracies (%) and the AD values on the four datasets.



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