

Joint Relational Database Generation via Graph-Conditional Diffusion Models

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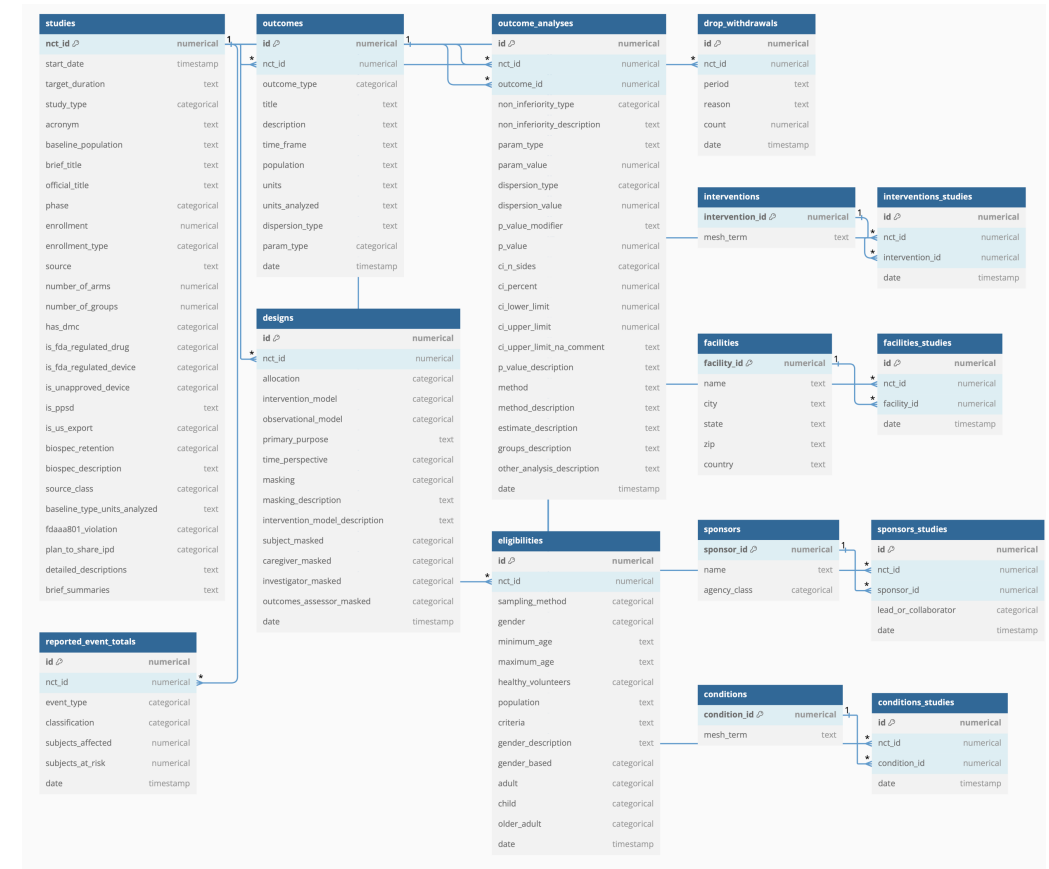
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Relational Databases (RDBs) ...

- ... organize data into **multiple, interlinked** tables.
- ... are the most widely used data management system: they store over **70%** of the world's structured data [1].



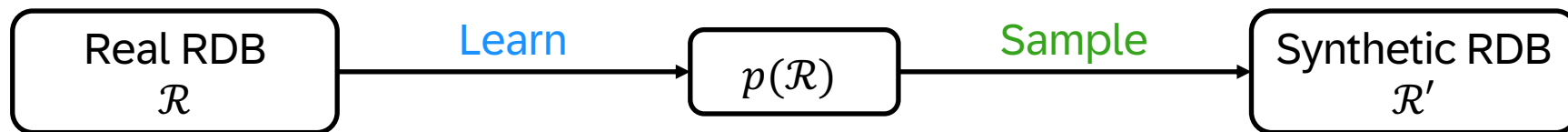
Source: <https://relbench.stanford.edu/datasets/rel-trial/>

[1] DB-Engines. DBMS popularity broken down by database model, 2023. Available: https://db-engines.com/en/ranking_categories.

Synthetic RDB Generation

Applications:

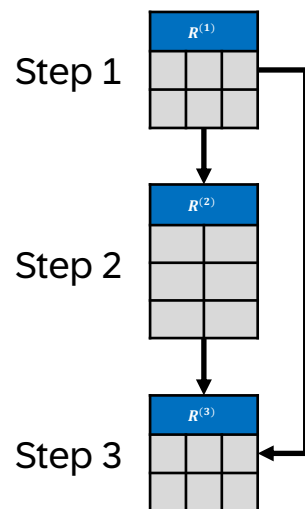
- Privacy-preserving data sharing.
- Data augmentation for machine learning models.
- Synthetic data for training foundation models.
- ...



How to model $p(\mathcal{R})$?

Autoregressive (prior works)

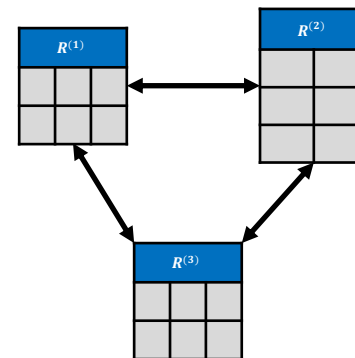
$$p(\mathcal{R}) = \prod_{i=1}^m p(R^{(i)} | \{R^{(j)} | j < i\})$$



- Fixed table order
- Sequential generation

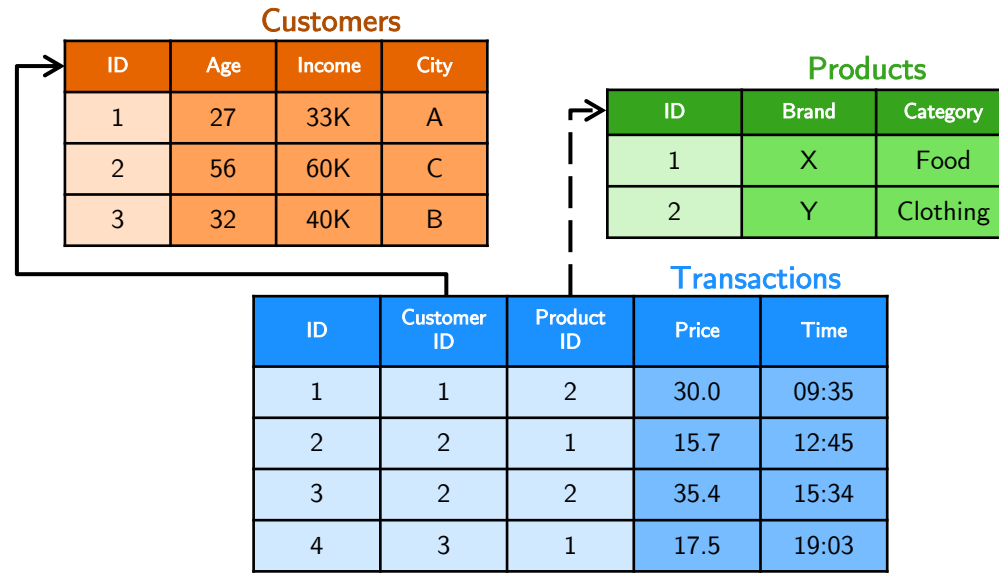
Joint (Ours)

$$p(\mathcal{R}) = p(R^{(1)}, \dots, R^{(m)})$$

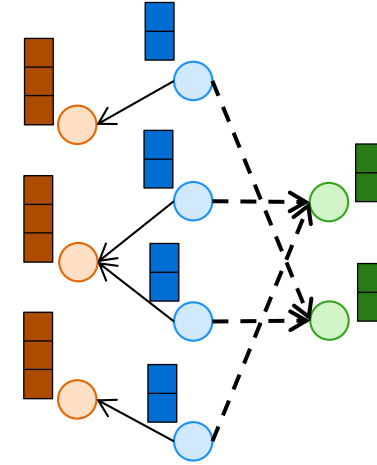
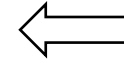
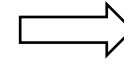


- + No table order
- + Parallel generation

RDBs as Heterogeneous Graphs



RDB $\mathcal{R}$



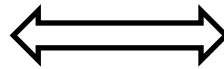
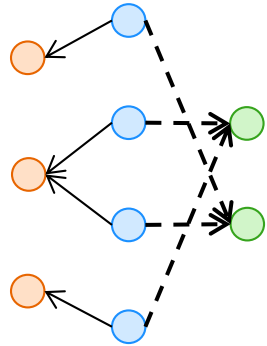
Graph $\mathcal{G}$ with nodes $\mathcal{V}$, edges $\mathcal{E}$, and features $\mathcal{X}$

$$p(\mathcal{R}) = p(\mathcal{G}) = p(\mathcal{V}, \mathcal{E}, \mathcal{X})$$

Method: RDB generation as two-step graph generation procedure

$$p(\mathcal{R}) = p(\mathcal{G}) = p(\mathcal{V}, \mathcal{E})p(\mathcal{X}|\mathcal{V}, \mathcal{E})$$

Step 1: $p(\mathcal{V}, \mathcal{E})$

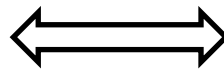
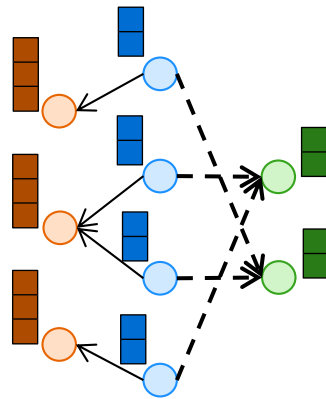


ID	Age	Income	City
1	??	??	??
2	??	??	??
3	??	??	??

ID	Brand	Category
1	??	??
2	??	??

ID	Customer ID	Product ID	Price	Time
1	1	2	??	??
2	2	1	??	??
3	2	2	??	??
4	3	1	??	??

Step 2: $p(\mathcal{X}|\mathcal{V}, \mathcal{E})$

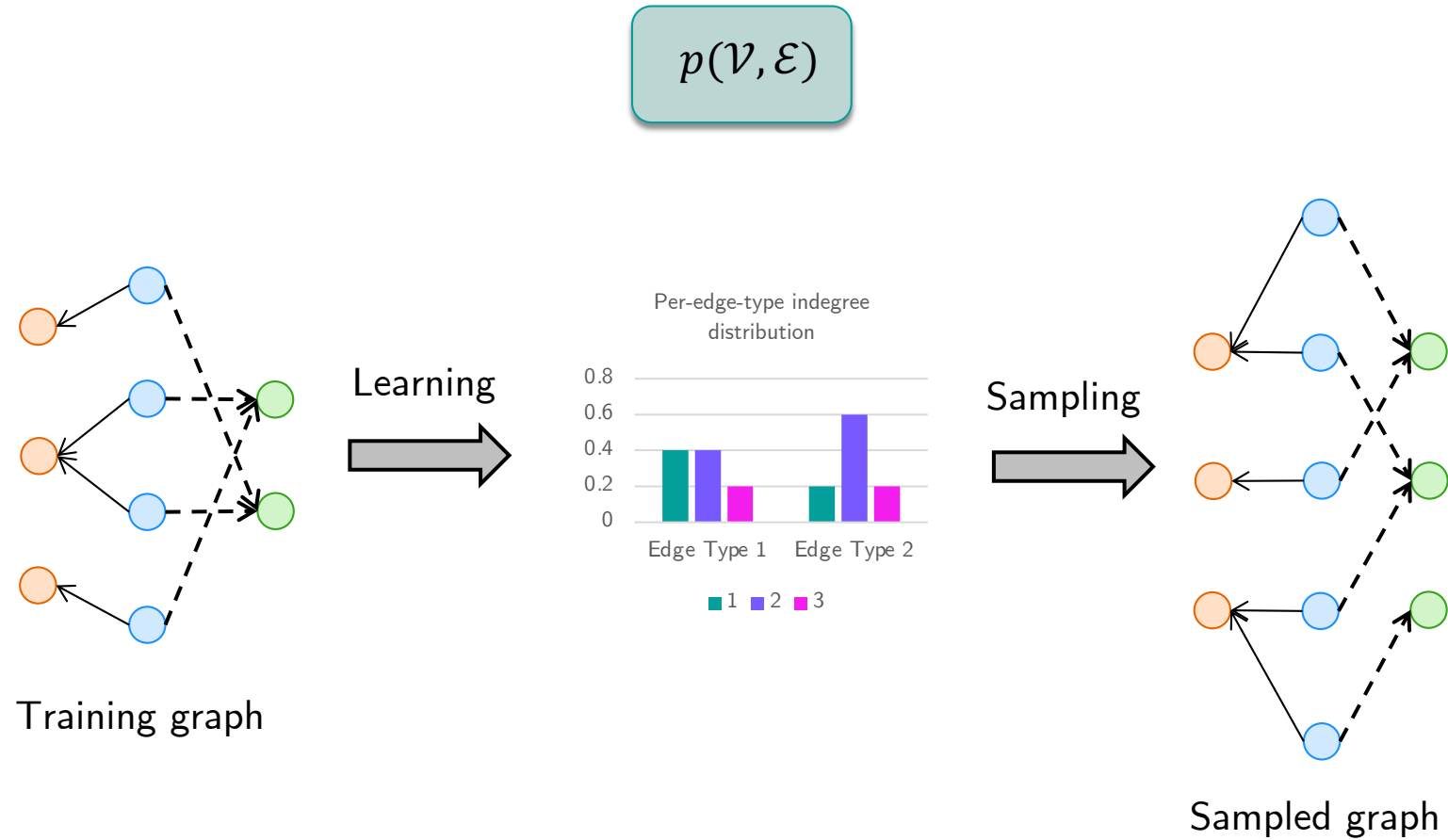


ID	Age	Income	City
1	27	33K	A
2	56	60K	C
3	32	40K	B

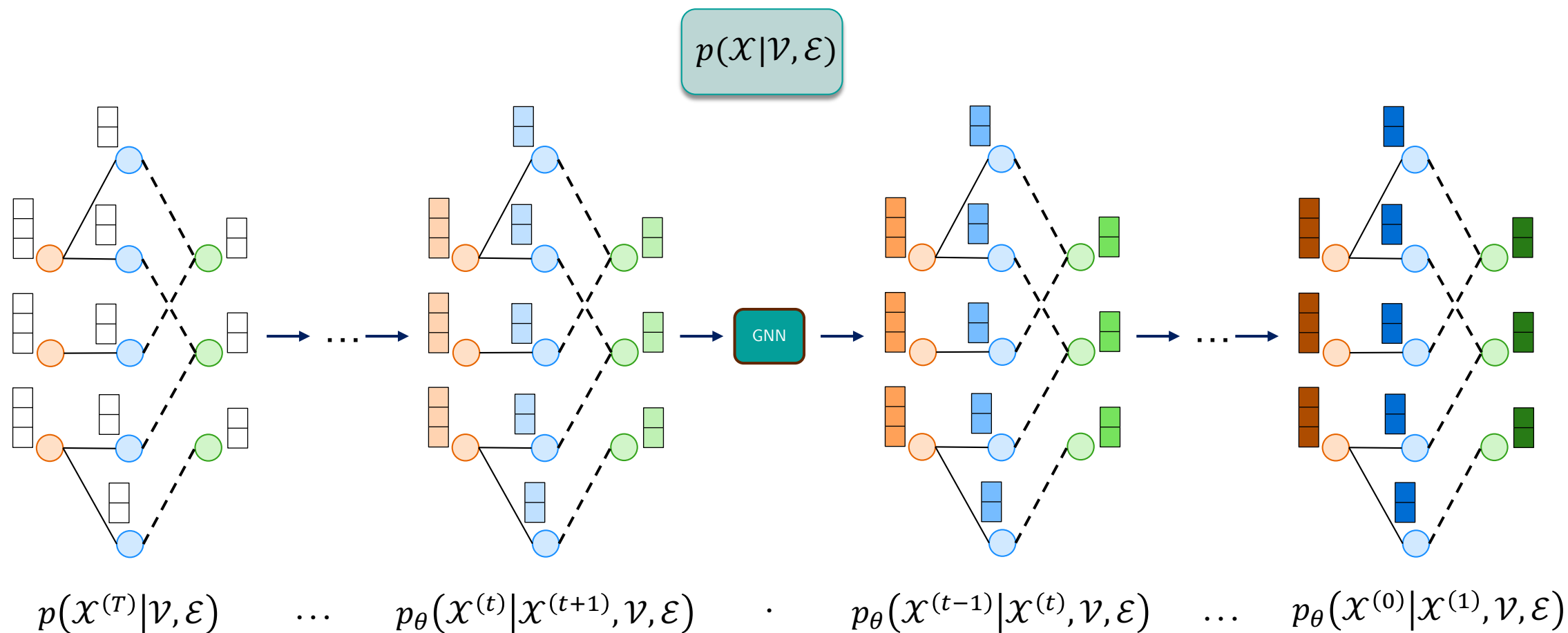
ID	Brand	Category
1	X	Food
2	Y	Clothing

ID	Customer ID	Product ID	Price	Time
1	1	2	30.0	09:35
2	2	1	15.7	12:45
3	2	2	35.4	15:34
4	3	1	17.5	19:03

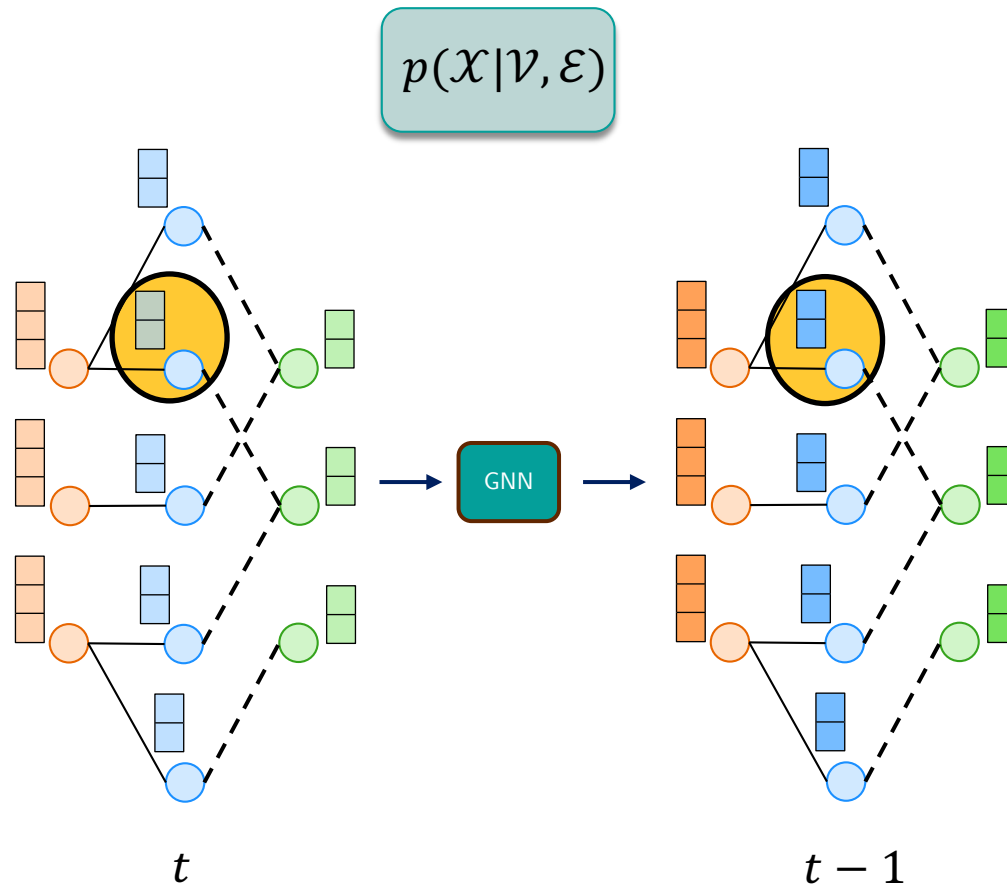
Node Degree-Preserving Random Graph Generation



Graph-Conditional Relational Diffusion Model (GRDM)

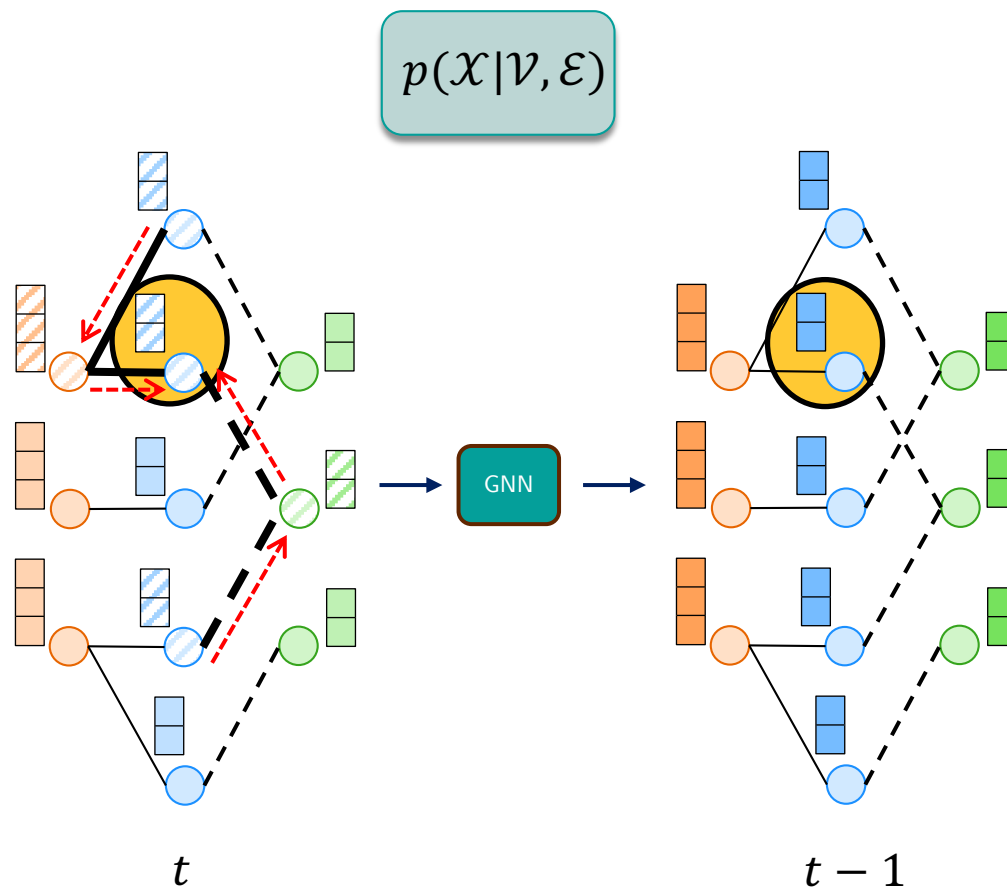


Graph-Conditional Relational Diffusion Model (GRDM)



$$p_{\theta}(\mathcal{X}^{(t-1)}|\mathcal{X}^{(t)}, \mathcal{V}, \mathcal{E}) = \prod_{v \in \mathcal{V}} p_{\theta}(x_v^{(t-1)} | \mathcal{G}_{v,K}^{(t)})$$

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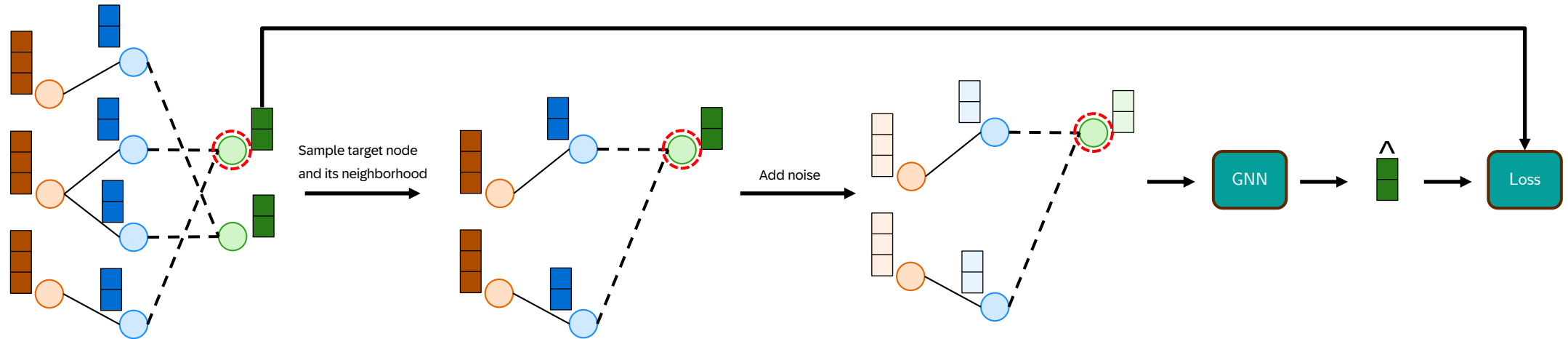


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Message
passing



Training of GRDM



$$L(\theta) = \mathbb{E}_{v \sim \mathcal{V}, t \sim \{1, \dots, T\}, \epsilon \sim \mathcal{N}(0, I)} \left[\left\| \epsilon_v - \epsilon_{\theta} \left(\mathcal{G}_{v,K}^{(t)}, t \right) \right\|^2 \right]$$

Evaluation of Synthetic RDB quality

Metrics:

- **Cardinality:** compares **graph structure**.
- **Column Shapes:** compare column-wise **marginal** distributions.
- **Intra-Table Trends:** compare **correlations** of column pairs from the same table.
- **Inter-Table Trends:** compare **correlations** of column pairs from different tables (1-hop, 2-hop, etc.)

	SDV	SingleTable	Denorm	ClavaDDPM	GRDM (Ours)	Improvement (%)
Berka						
CARDINALITY	> 5 tables	97.06 $\pm$ 0.80	96.06 $\pm$ 1.15	96.75 $\pm$ 0.26	99.70 $\pm$ 0.07	+2.72
COLUMN SHAPES		94.58 $\pm$ 0.01	83.28 $\pm$ 0.97	94.60 $\pm$ 0.41	96.90 $\pm$ 0.07	+2.43
INTRA-TABLE TRENDS		91.72 $\pm$ 0.23	72.12 $\pm$ 0.73	90.53 $\pm$ 1.93	98.21 $\pm$ 0.05	+7.08
INTER-TABLE TRENDS (1-HOP)		81.77 $\pm$ 1.19	55.77 $\pm$ 2.80	83.79 $\pm$ 4.21	92.94 $\pm$ 0.06	+10.92
INTER-TABLE TRENDS (2-HOP)		78.09 $\pm$ 0.53	57.68 $\pm$ 1.67	85.87 $\pm$ 2.72	96.04 $\pm$ 0.20	+11.84
INTER-TABLE TRENDS (3-HOP)		75.56 $\pm$ 0.34	55.59 $\pm$ 1.48	80.98 $\pm$ 3.12	93.13 $\pm$ 0.47	+15.00
Instacart 05						
CARDINALITY	> 5 tables	94.73 $\pm$ 0.14	94.98 $\pm$ 0.84	94.91 $\pm$ 1.50	99.96 $\pm$ 0.01	+5.24
COLUMN SHAPES		89.30 $\pm$ 0.00	71.83 $\pm$ 0.32	90.18 $\pm$ 0.43	98.87 $\pm$ 0.06	+9.64
INTRA-TABLE TRENDS		99.70 $\pm$ 0.00	88.74 $\pm$ 0.00	99.68 $\pm$ 0.02	98.33 $\pm$ 0.04	-1.37
INTER-TABLE TRENDS (1-HOP)		66.93 $\pm$ 0.07	62.58 $\pm$ 0.05	75.84 $\pm$ 0.36	92.03 $\pm$ 0.30	+21.35
INTER-TABLE TRENDS (2-HOP)		16.22 $\pm$ 13.41	0.00 $\pm$ 0.00	14.40 $\pm$ 20.37	96.17 $\pm$ 0.15	+492.91
RelBench-F1						
CARDINALITY	> 5 tables	94.94 $\pm$ 1.06	93.39 $\pm$ 1.56	94.04 $\pm$ 2.33	98.26 $\pm$ 0.12	+3.50
COLUMN SHAPES		95.93 $\pm$ 0.16	89.25 $\pm$ 0.28	95.19 $\pm$ 0.75	97.28 $\pm$ 0.29	+1.41
INTRA-TABLE TRENDS		95.80 $\pm$ 0.29	90.30 $\pm$ 0.56	94.71 $\pm$ 0.63	96.74 $\pm$ 0.36	+0.98
INTER-TABLE TRENDS (1-HOP)		79.61 $\pm$ 0.65	65.60 $\pm$ 0.45	88.19 $\pm$ 0.27	93.74 $\pm$ 0.50	+6.29
INTER-TABLE TRENDS (2-HOP)		74.10 $\pm$ 2.71	62.21 $\pm$ 0.38	83.17 $\pm$ 1.39	96.81 $\pm$ 0.28	+16.40
Movie Lens						
CARDINALITY	> 5 tables	98.99 $\pm$ 0.16	98.87 $\pm$ 0.26	98.79 $\pm$ 0.13	98.80 $\pm$ 0.36	-0.19
COLUMN SHAPES		99.19 $\pm$ 0.00	78.03 $\pm$ 0.17	99.11 $\pm$ 0.09	98.22 $\pm$ 0.05	-0.98
INTRA-TABLE TRENDS		98.56 $\pm$ 0.01	57.33 $\pm$ 0.10	98.52 $\pm$ 0.05	96.24 $\pm$ 0.24	-2.35
INTER-TABLE TRENDS (1-HOP)		92.72 $\pm$ 0.09	77.45 $\pm$ 1.93	92.11 $\pm$ 2.12	95.60 $\pm$ 0.17	+3.11
CCS						
CARDINALITY		74.36 $\pm$ 8.40	99.37 $\pm$ 0.16	26.70 $\pm$ 0.20	98.96 $\pm$ 0.79	+0.42
COLUMN SHAPES		69.04 $\pm$ 4.38	95.20 $\pm$ 0.00	79.29 $\pm$ 0.13	92.64 $\pm$ 3.93	+1.92
INTRA-TABLE TRENDS		94.84 $\pm$ 1.00	98.96 $\pm$ 0.00	86.60 $\pm$ 0.14	97.75 $\pm$ 1.70	-5.42
INTER-TABLE TRENDS (1-HOP)		21.74 $\pm$ 9.62	51.62 $\pm$ 0.22	57.77 $\pm$ 0.69	72.65 $\pm$ 8.10	+17.74
California						
CARDINALITY		71.45 $\pm$ 0.00	99.89 $\pm$ 0.04	99.87 $\pm$ 0.02	98.99 $\pm$ 0.69	+0.07
COLUMN SHAPES		72.32 $\pm$ 0.00	99.51 $\pm$ 0.04	94.99 $\pm$ 0.02	98.76 $\pm$ 0.27	-0.36
INTRA-TABLE TRENDS		50.23 $\pm$ 0.00	98.69 $\pm$ 0.08	94.17 $\pm$ 0.01	97.65 $\pm$ 0.39	-0.70
INTER-TABLE TRENDS (1-HOP)		54.89 $\pm$ 0.00	92.96 $\pm$ 0.05	87.24 $\pm$ 0.10	95.34 $\pm$ 0.48	+2.45

GRDM consistently outperforms all baselines on Inter-Table Trends across all databases.

Ablation Study

We conduct an ablation study to understand the impact of the number of hops K and the joint modeling aspect.

	$K = 2$ (Default)	$K = 1$	$K = 1$, Sequential
Berka			
CARDINALITY	99.70 ± 0.07	99.70 ± 0.07	99.70 ± 0.07
COLUMN SHAPES	96.90 ± 0.07	97.18 ± 0.03	38.97 ± 3.65
INTRA-TABLE TRENDS	98.21 ± 0.05	98.47 ± 0.07	52.10 ± 2.98
INTER-TABLE TRENDS (1-HOP)	92.94 ± 0.06	93.21 ± 0.04	28.53 ± 3.84
INTER-TABLE TRENDS (2-HOP)	96.04 ± 0.20	95.69 ± 0.19	52.01 ± 2.55
INTER-TABLE TRENDS (3-HOP)	93.13 ± 0.47	92.84 ± 0.14	49.45 ± 4.14
Instacart 05			
CARDINALITY	99.96 ± 0.01	99.96 ± 0.01	99.96 ± 0.01
COLUMN SHAPES	98.87 ± 0.06	98.40 ± 0.01	67.51 ± 3.93
INTRA-TABLE TRENDS	98.33 ± 0.04	97.53 ± 0.06	89.33 ± 2.27
INTER-TABLE TRENDS (1-HOP)	92.03 ± 0.30	88.83 ± 0.70	63.32 ± 2.01
INTER-TABLE TRENDS (2-HOP)	96.17 ± 0.15	93.30 ± 0.08	13.41 ± 3.64
RelBench-F1			
CARDINALITY	98.26 ± 0.12	98.26 ± 0.12	98.26 ± 0.12
COLUMN SHAPES	97.28 ± 0.29	96.76 ± 0.06	94.83 ± 0.09
INTRA-TABLE TRENDS	96.74 ± 0.36	95.92 ± 0.04	95.01 ± 0.75
INTER-TABLE TRENDS (1-HOP)	93.74 ± 0.50	93.33 ± 0.17	90.82 ± 0.37
INTER-TABLE TRENDS (2-HOP)	96.81 ± 0.28	96.33 ± 0.08	87.73 ± 0.86

Thank You!

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