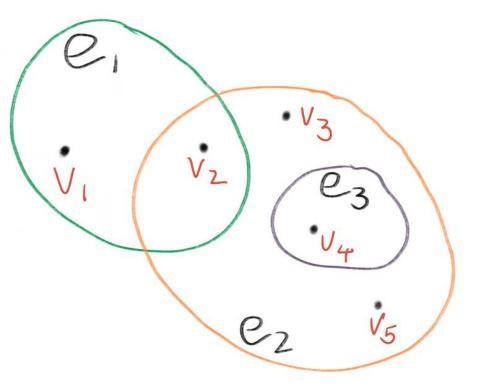
# HNHN Hypergraph Networks with Hyperedge Neurons

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## Hypergraphs – definition

#### Hypergraph:

A graph generalization where one edge can join any number of nodes.



E.g: a hypergraph consisting of 3 hyperedges,  $e_1$ ,  $e_2$ , and  $e_3$ , and 5 hypernodes,  $v_1$ ,  $v_2$ ,  $v_3$ ,  $v_4$ , and  $v_5$ .

## Hypergraphs – applications

- Represent co-authorship networks
  - Hyperedges: authors.
  - Hypernodes: papers.
- Represent co-citation data
  - Hyperedges: papers that are co-cited together.
  - Hypernodes: citing papers.

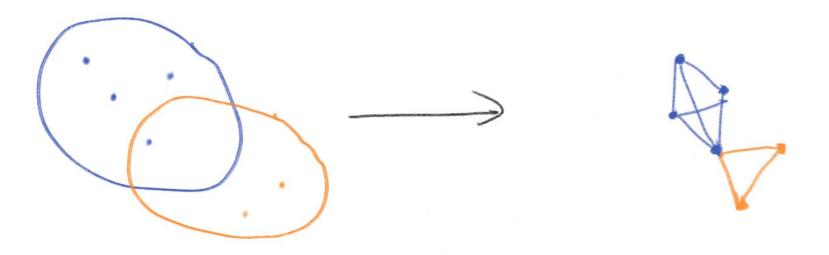
## Hypergraph representation learning

Prior work:

- GCN on hypergraph clique expansion [Zhou et al '07, Sun et al '08, Tu et al '18, Jian et al '18].
- GCN on hypergraph star expansion [Zien et al '99, Sun et al '08].
- HyperGCN [Yadati et al '19].
- HGNN [Feng et al '18].
- HCHA [Bai et al '19].
- Many others.

## Limitations on existing approaches

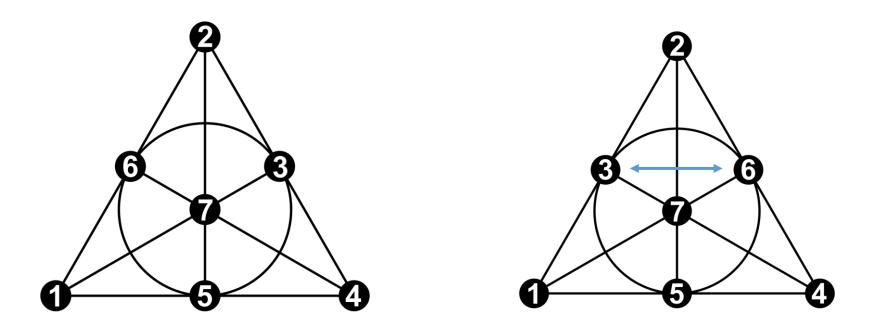
• Graph convolution on clique expansion of hypergraph.



May lose hypergraph structural information.

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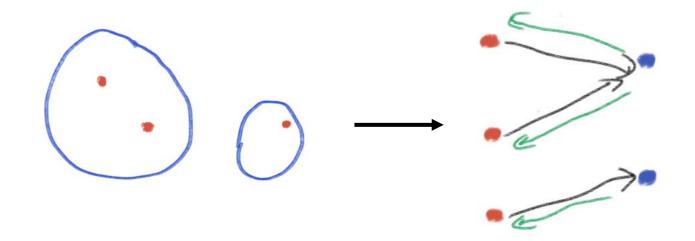
• Hypergraph example: Fano plane



Produces same clique expansion despite hypernode permutation.

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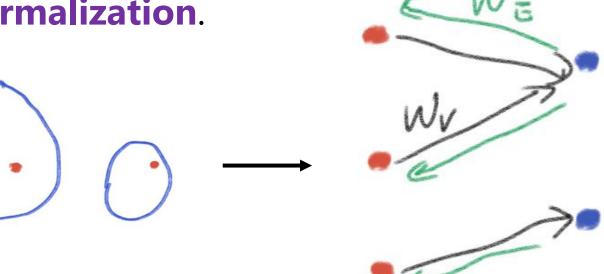
• Graph convolution on star expansion of hypergraph.



Treats hyperedges and hypernodes as the same.

#### HNHN – architecture

- Independent weights and nonlinearities for hypernodes and hyperedges.
  - Convolution directly on hypergraph, not graph expansion.
- Flexible dataset-specific normalization.



#### HNHN – architecture

• Generalizes both star and clique expansions:

- Star expansion when  $W_V = W_E$ .
- Clique expansion when only keeping node nonlinearities.

## HNHN – normalization

- Hyperedge and hypernode normalization should **depend** on the **hyperedge degree** and **hypernode cardinality**.
  - Use normalization parameters  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  to account for edge degree and node cardinality, respectively.
- Example: paper with fewer authors are more predictive of its authors' specialty.

### HNHN – normalization

• Compute node representation  $X'_V$  from hyperedge representation  $X_E$ :

$$X'_V = \sigma \left( D_{V,l,\alpha}^{-1} A D_{E,r,\alpha} X_E W_V + b_V \right)$$

- $D_{V,l,\alpha}$  and  $D_{E,r,\alpha}$ : normalization matrices depending on hyperedge cardinalities and normalization hyperparameter  $\alpha$ .
- $W_V$ ,  $b_V$ : weights and bias.
- *A* : vertex-edge incidence matrix.
- Generalizes normalization used in many prior works.

## Experimental datasets

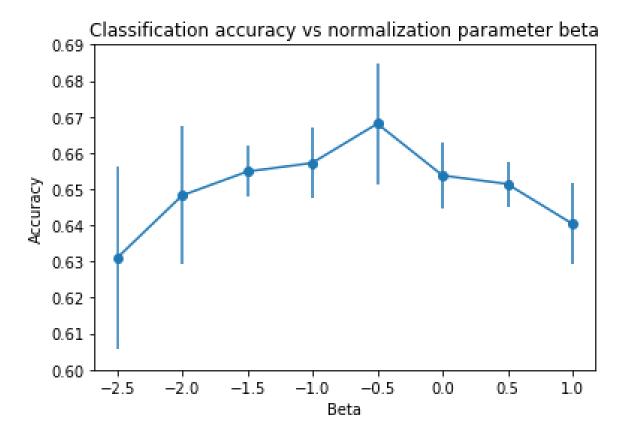
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## Hypernode classification

	Accuracy				Timing			
	DBLP				DBLP			
HyperGCN	$71.3 \pm 1.2$	$55.0 \pm .9$	$54.7 \pm 9.8$	$60.0 \pm 10.7$	$563.4{\pm}27.8$	$183.4{\pm}2.7$	$15.6 \pm .2$	$171.1 \pm 2.8$
* Fast	$70.5 {\pm} 14.3$	$45.2 \pm 12.9$	$56.1 \pm 11.2$	$54.4 \pm 10.0$	$11.5{\pm}.1$	$2.9{\pm}.1$	$1.1\pm0.$	$2.5{\pm}.1$
HGNN	$77.6 \pm .4$	$58.2 \pm .3$	$61.1{\pm}2.2$	$63.3{\pm}2.2$	$802.9 {\pm} 59.2$	$298.4 {\pm} 12.2$	$30.5{\pm}.8$	$270.1 {\pm} 10.5$
HNHN	$\textbf{85.1}{\pm}\textbf{.2}$	$\textbf{63.9}{\pm}\textbf{.8}$	$64.8{\pm}1.6$	$75.9{\pm}1.5$	$44.2 \pm 1.3$	$13.6{\pm}5.4$	$1.3 \pm .1$	$26.6 \pm .4$

- Node classification accuracy and timing results on various datasets compared to SOTA methods.
- \* Fast stands for HyperGCN Fast.
- Accuracy measured in %, timing measured in seconds.

### Dependence on normalization scheme



- $\beta = 0$  not necessarily optimal.
- Best  $\beta < 0 \rightarrow$  paper with fewer authors more predictive of its authors' field.

## Thank you

• Code: github.com/twistedcubic/HNHN