

EECE 571F: Advanced Topics in Deep Learning

Lecture 4: Graph Neural Networks II Graph Convolution Models

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Outline

- **Laplacian, Fourier Transforms, and Convolution**
- Graph Laplacian, Graph Fourier Transforms, and Graph Convolution
- Spectral Filtering and Chebyshev Polynomials
- Graph Convolutional Networks (GCNs)
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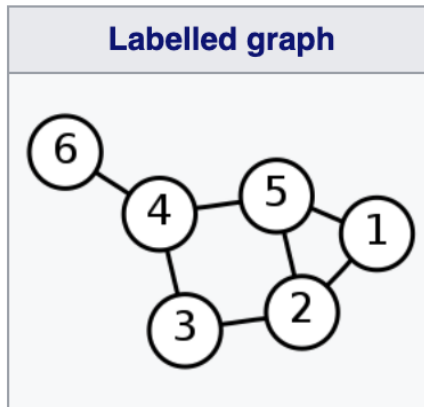
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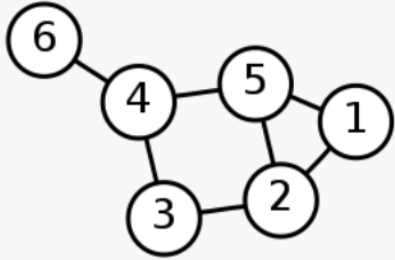
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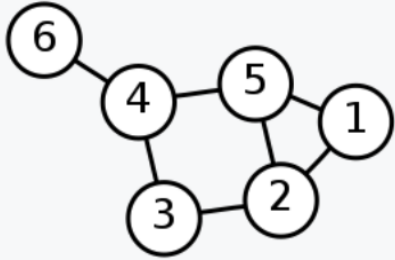
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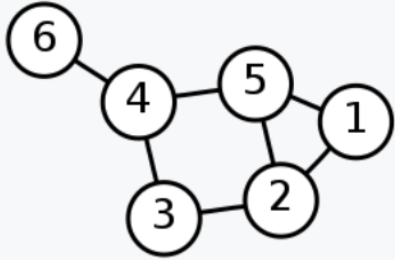
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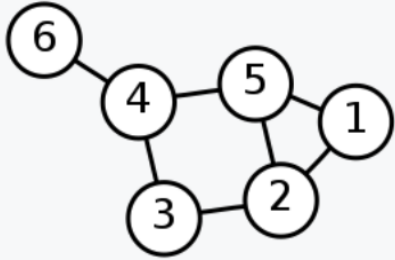
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- Symmetric
- Diagonally dominant
- Positive semi-definite (PSD)
- The number of connected components in the graph is the algebraic multiplicity of the eigenvalue 0.

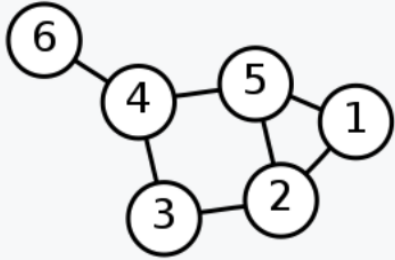
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Symmetrically Normalized Graph Laplacian:

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Eigenvalues lie in $[0, 2]$, why? (Try to show it by yourself!)

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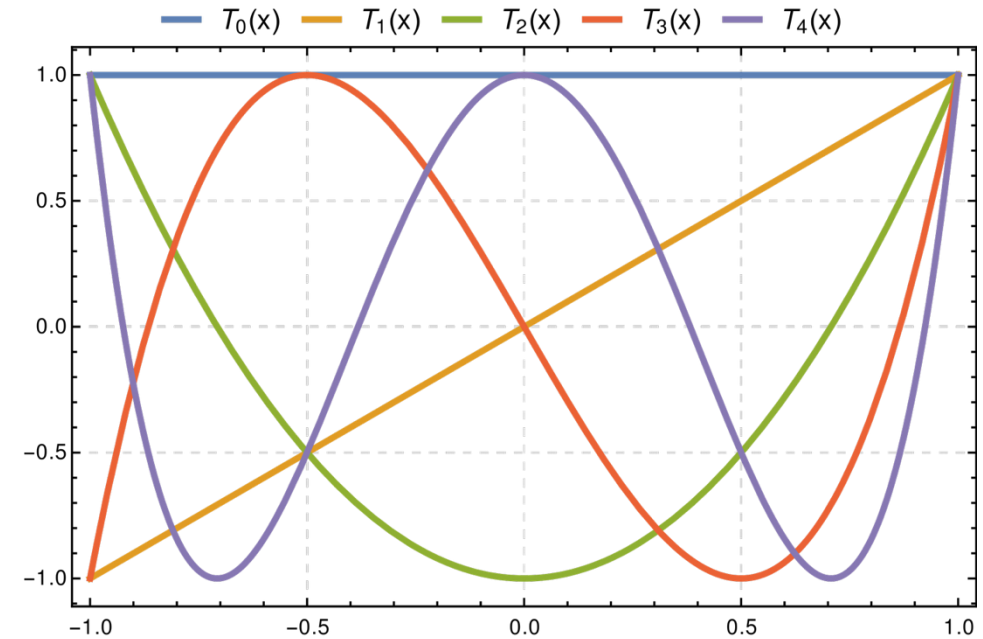
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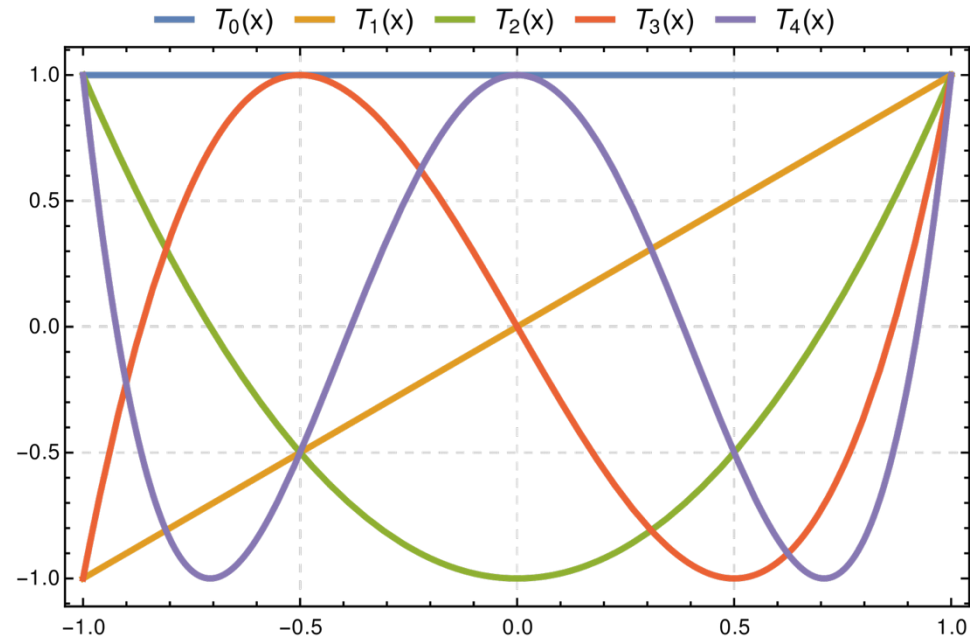
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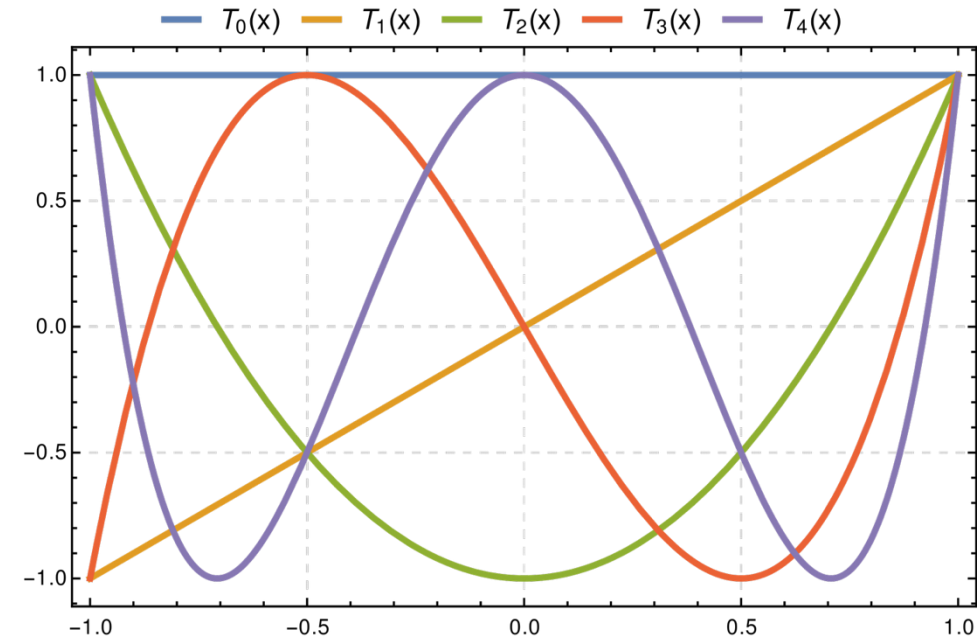
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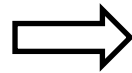
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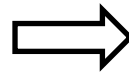
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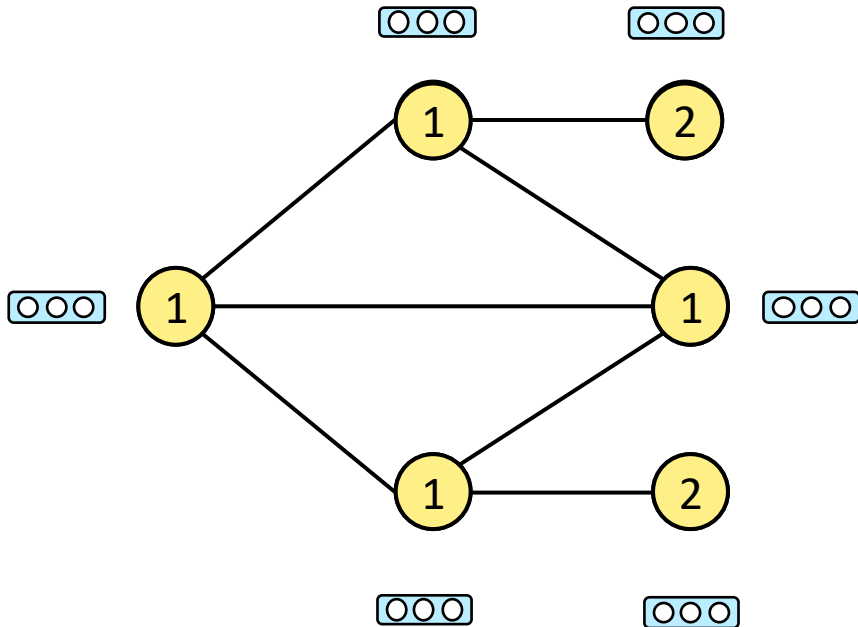
Add nonlinearity:

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⋮

Exponent of matrix power indicates how far the propagation is!

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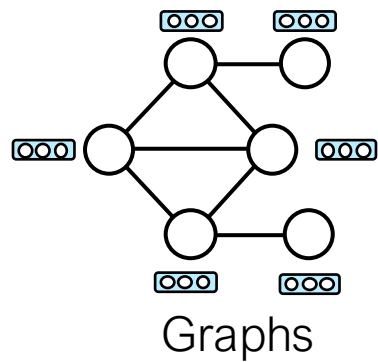
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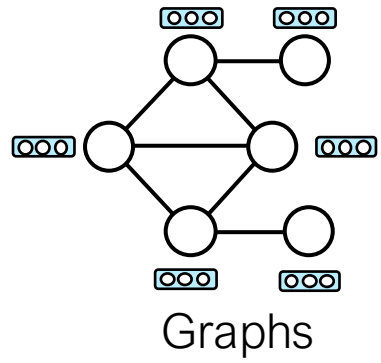
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We can remedy the lost expressiveness by stacking multiple graph convolution layers!

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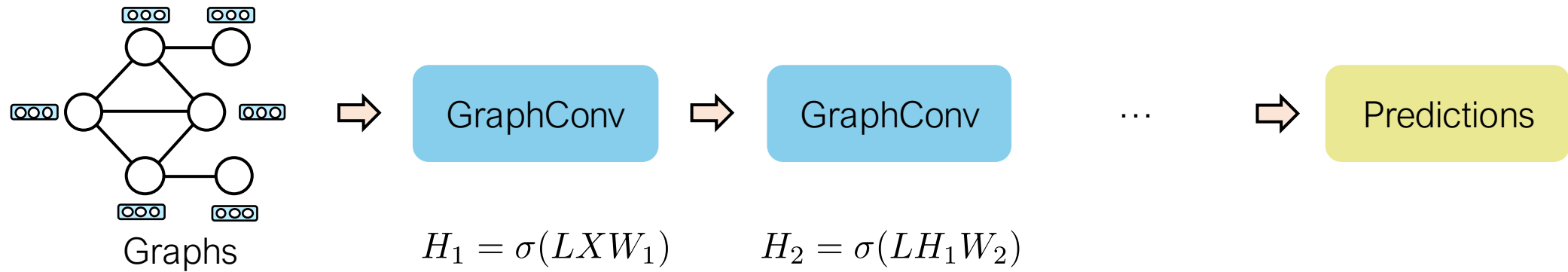
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GraphConv

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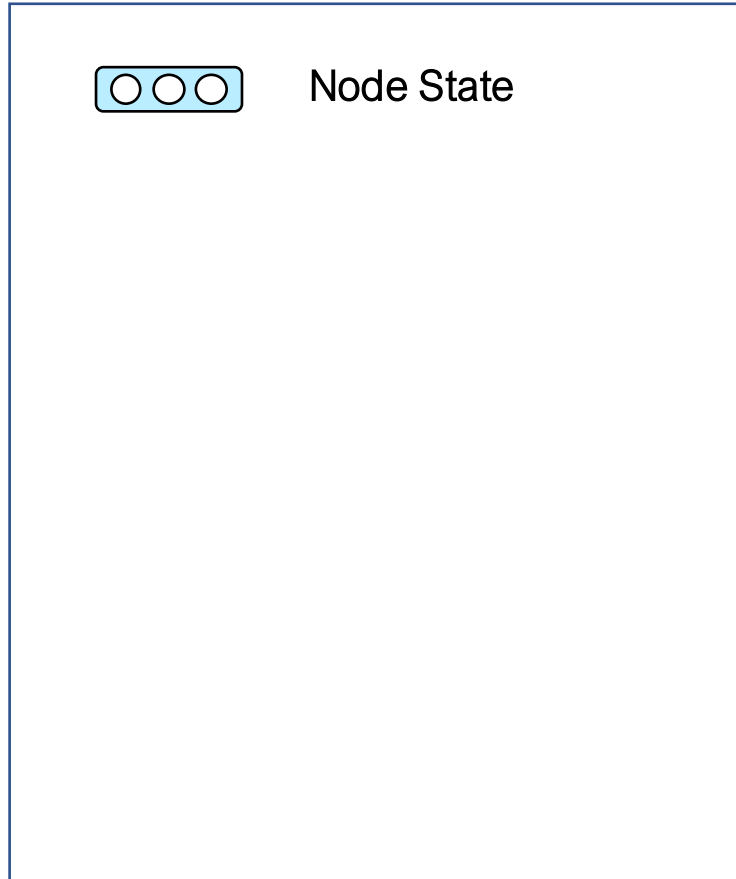


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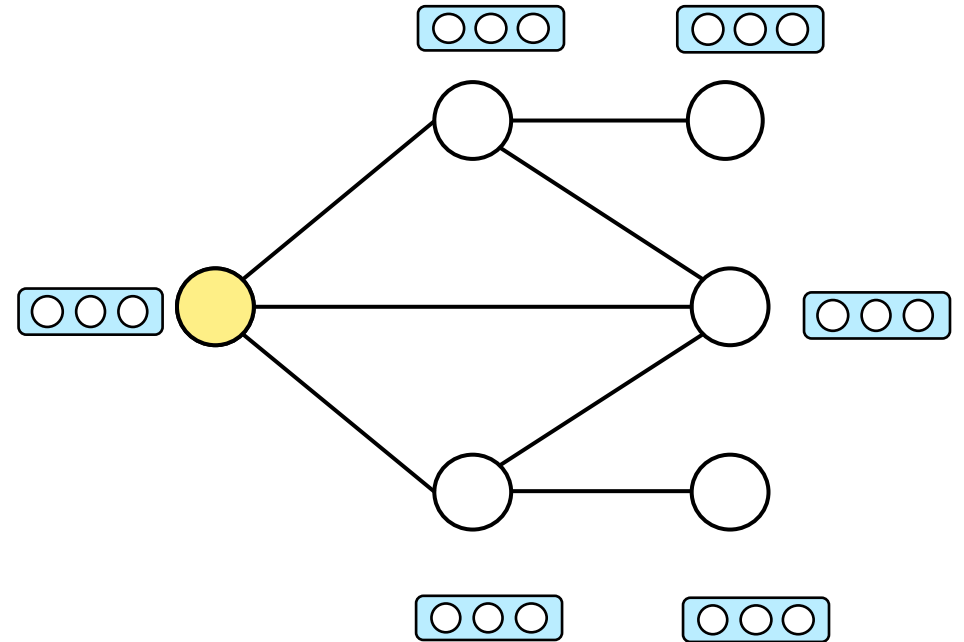
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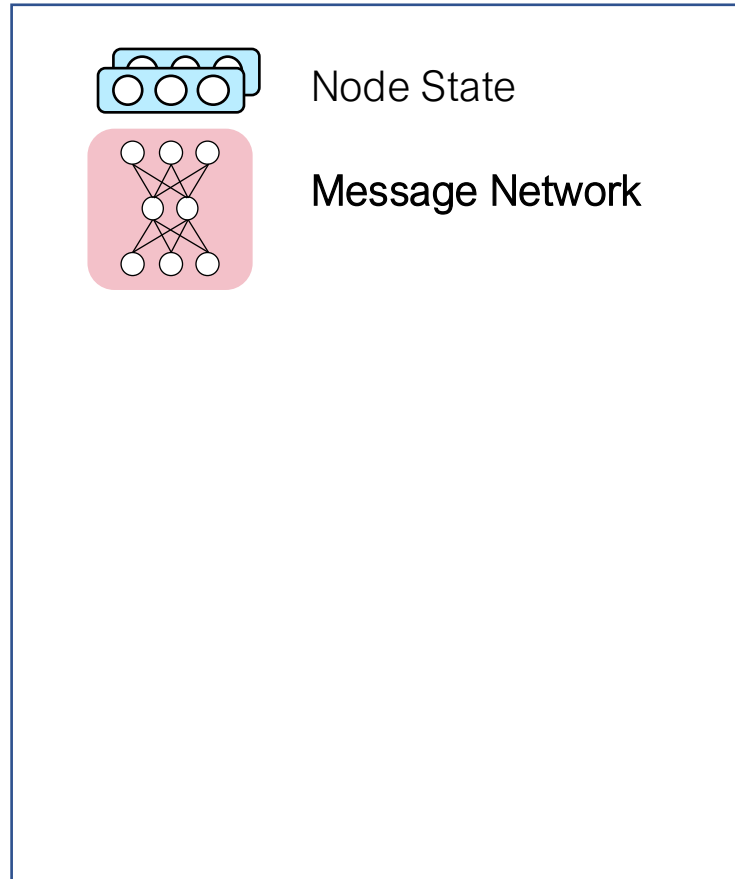


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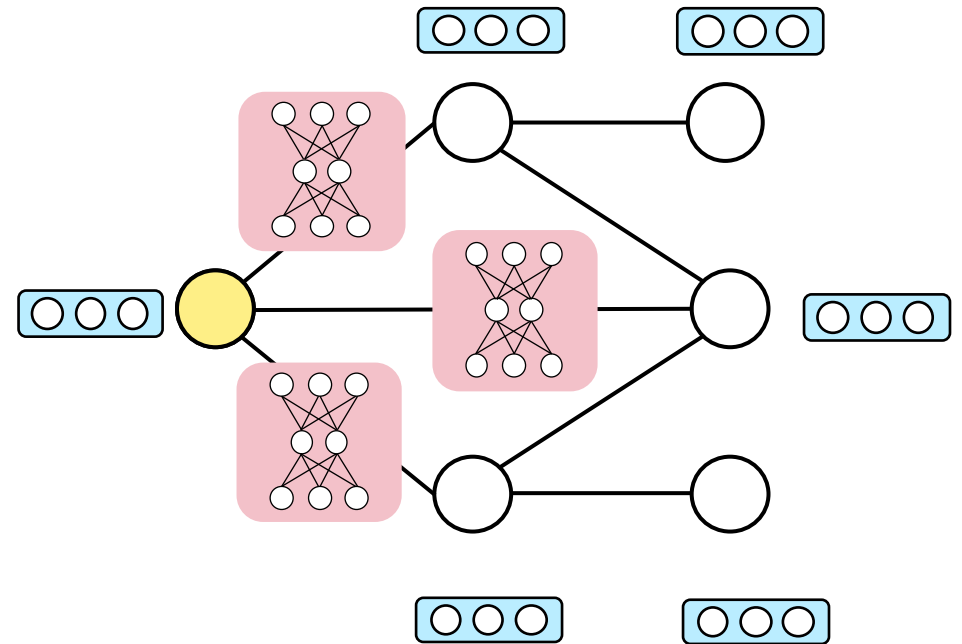


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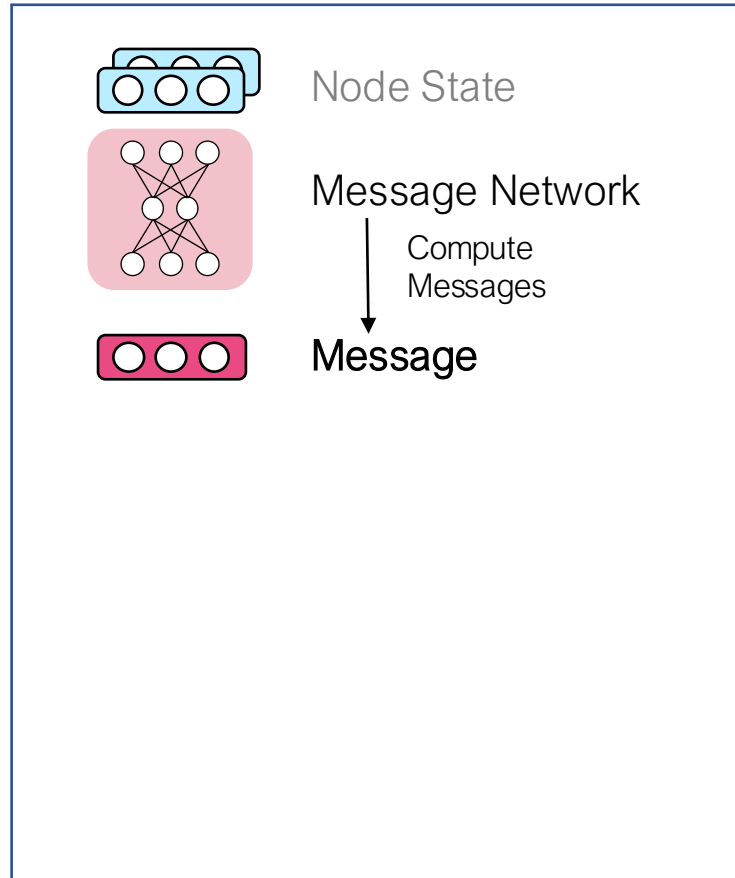
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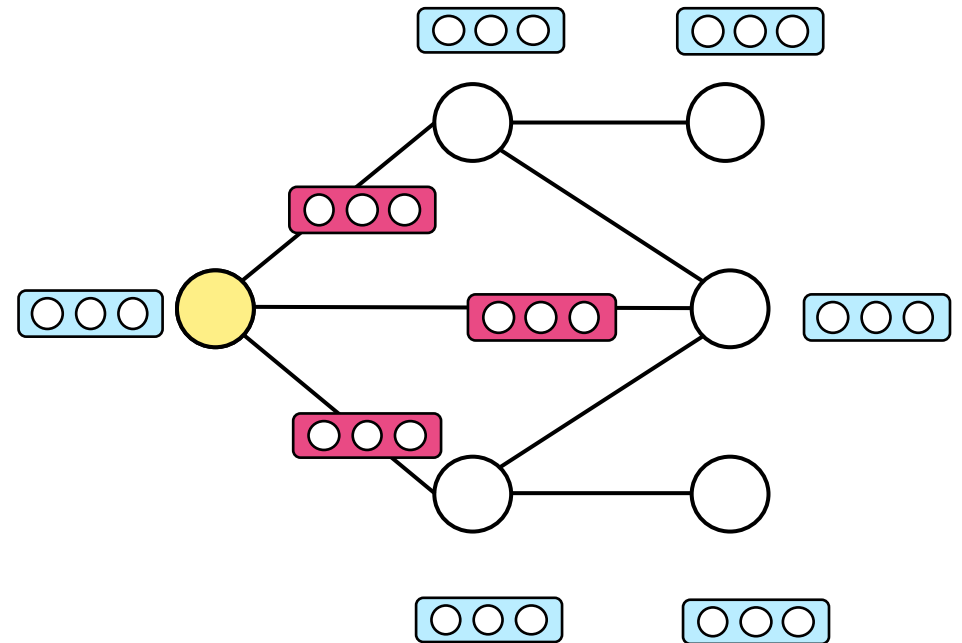
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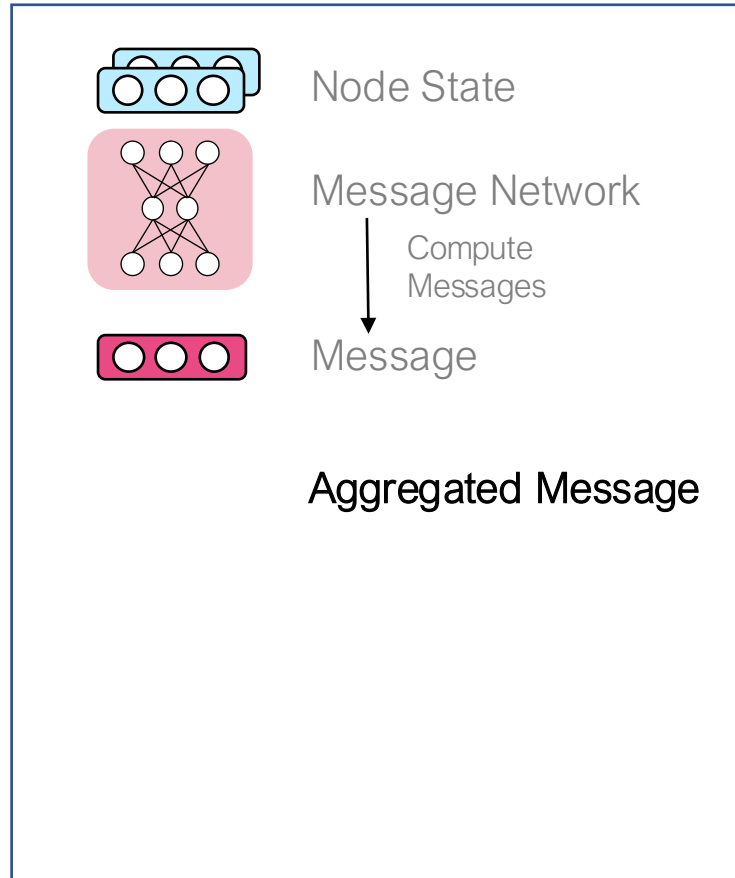
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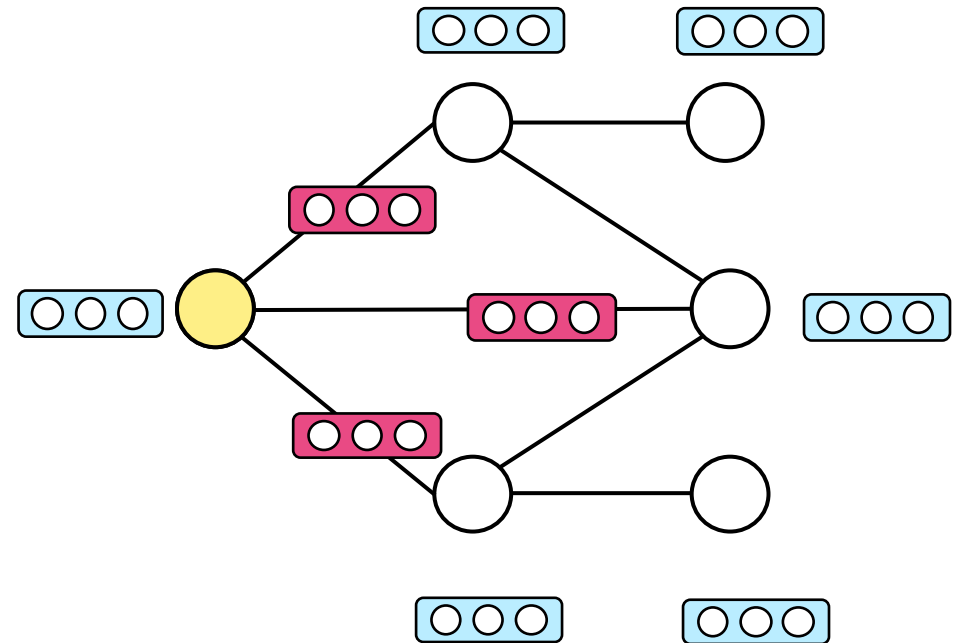
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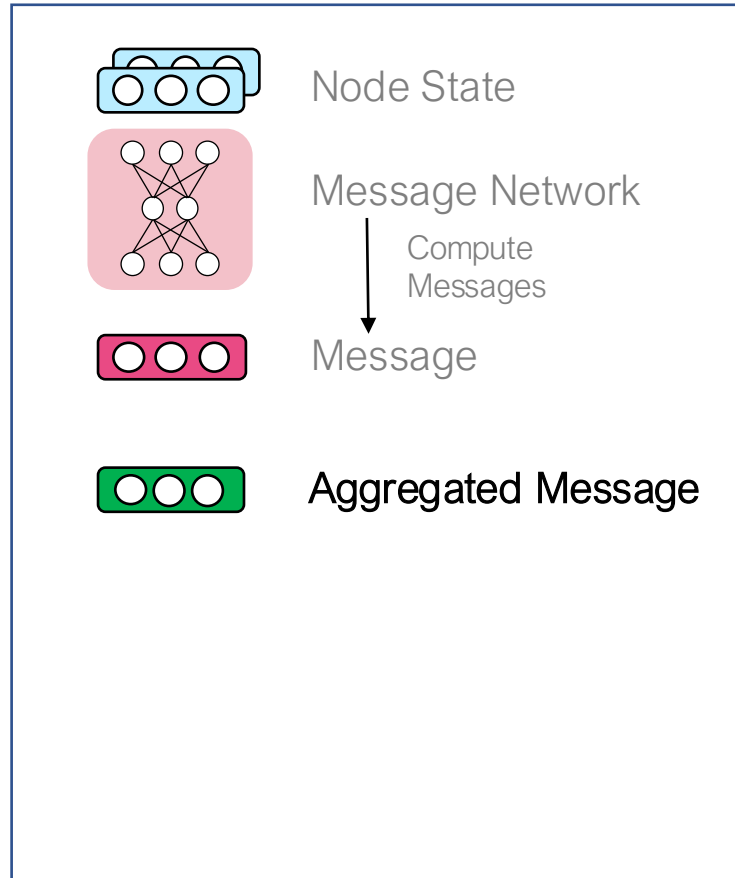


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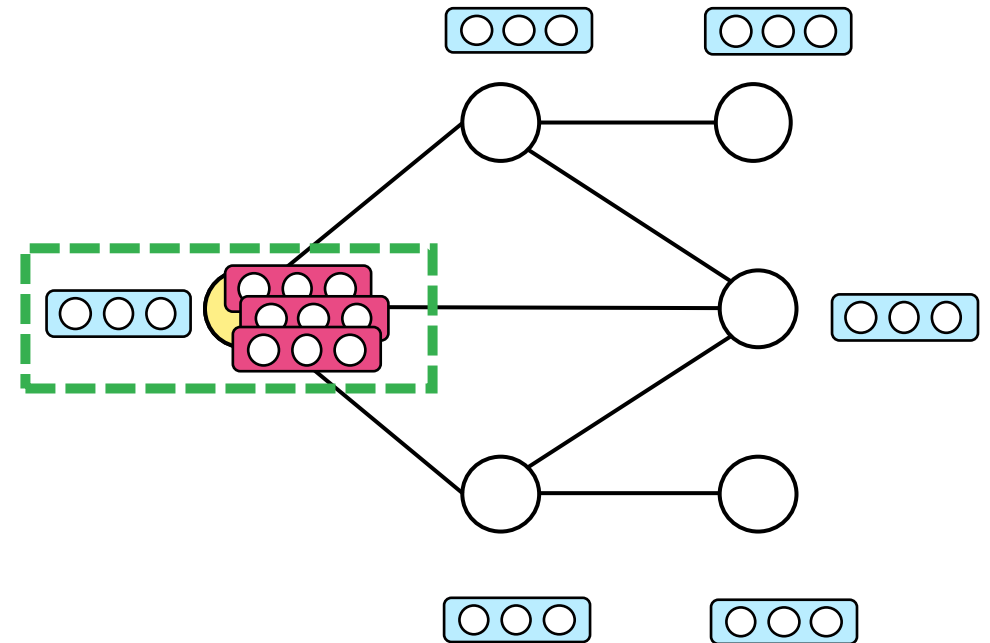
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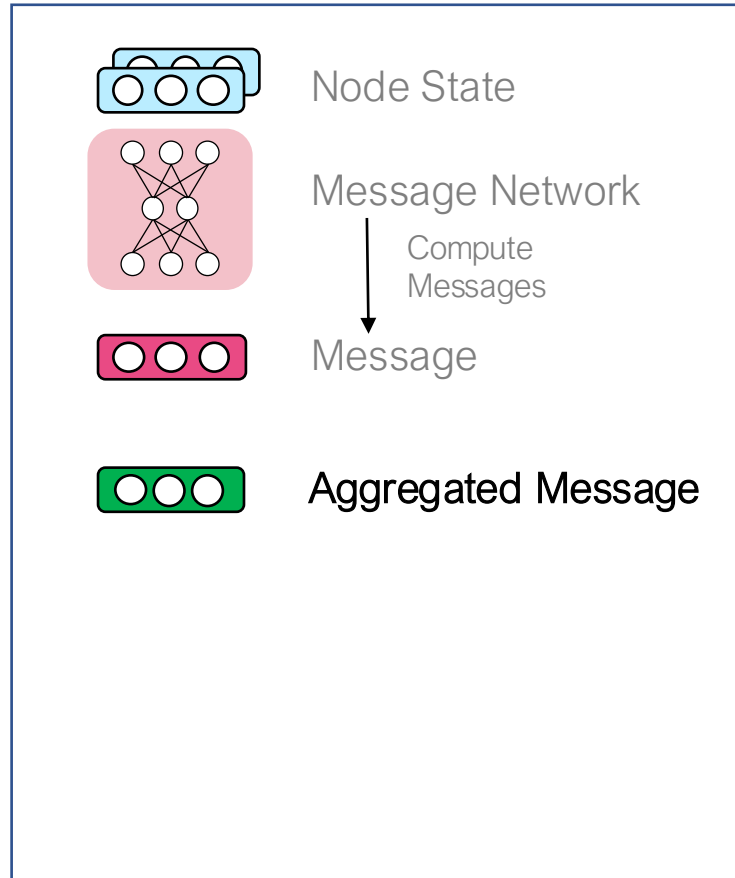


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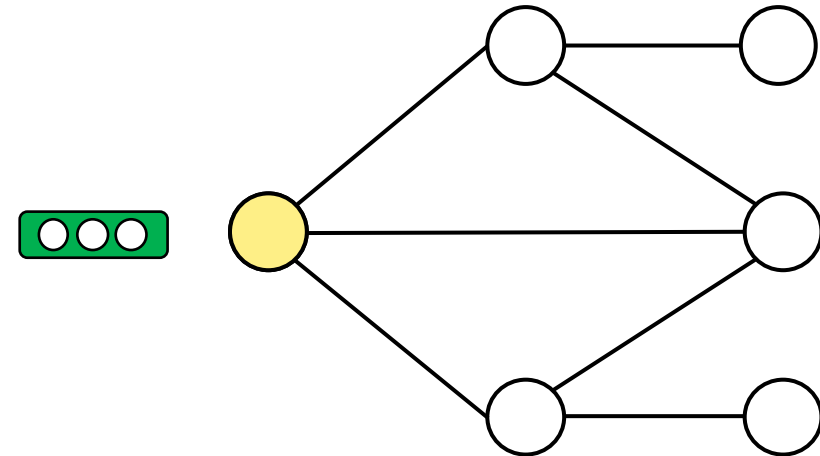
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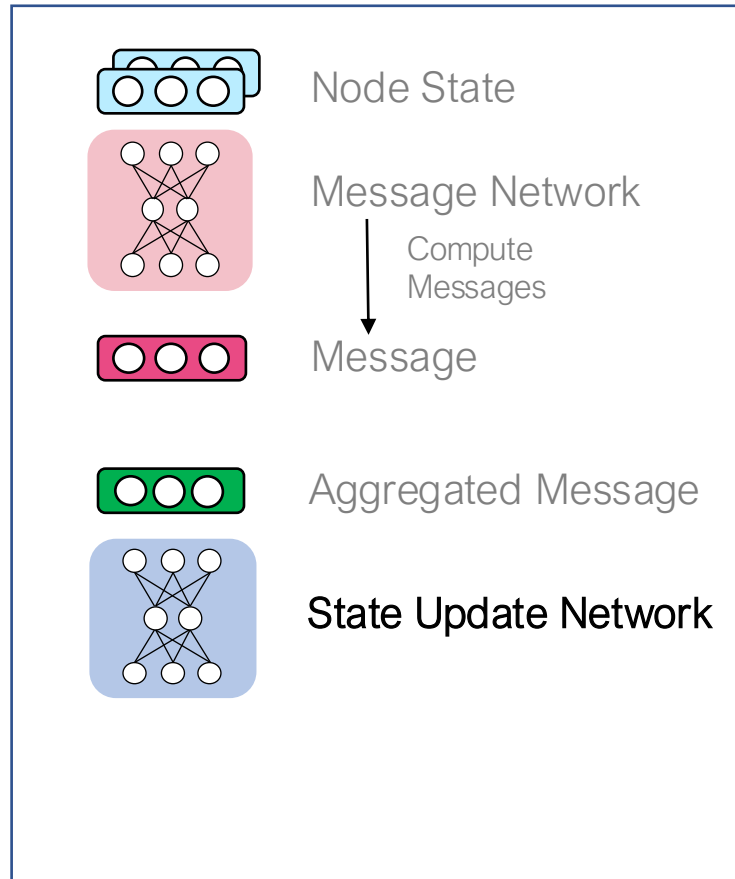


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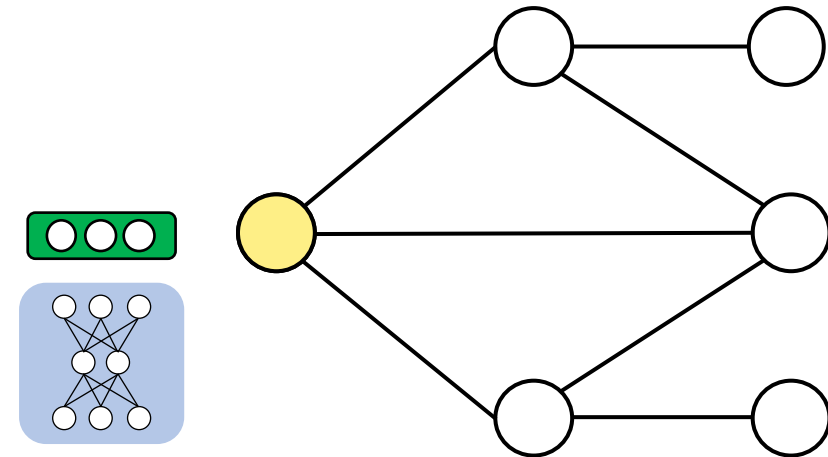
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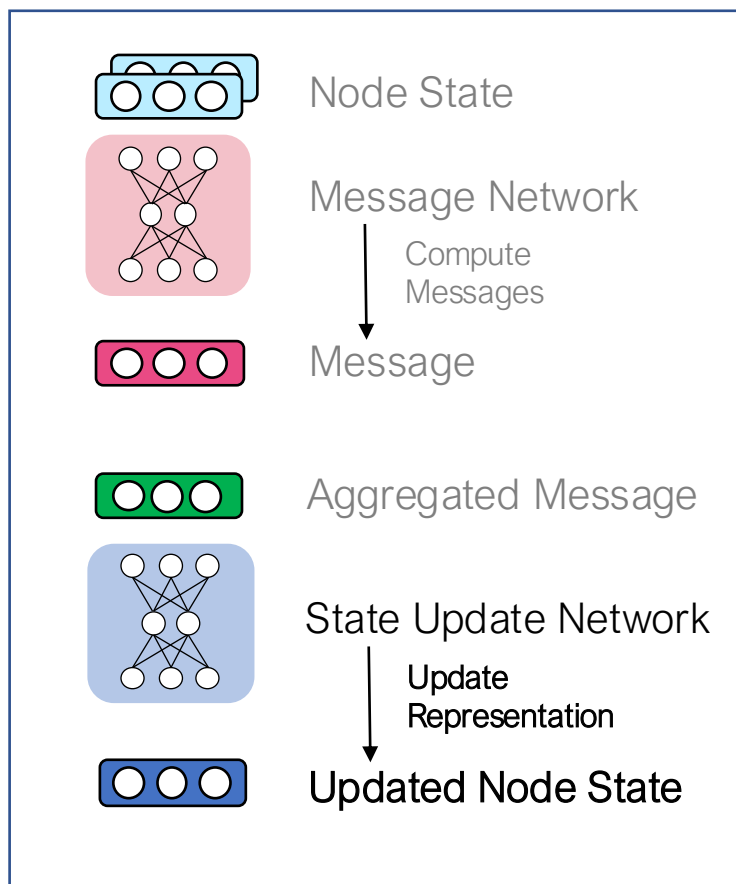
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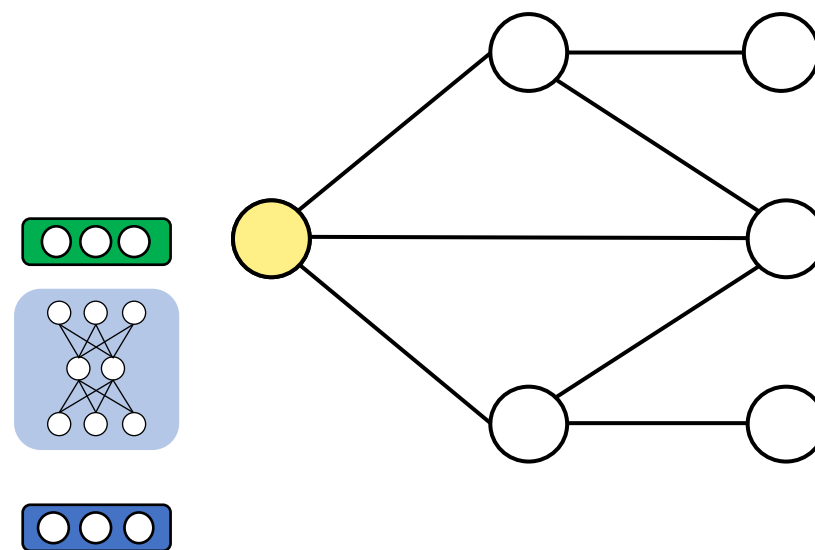
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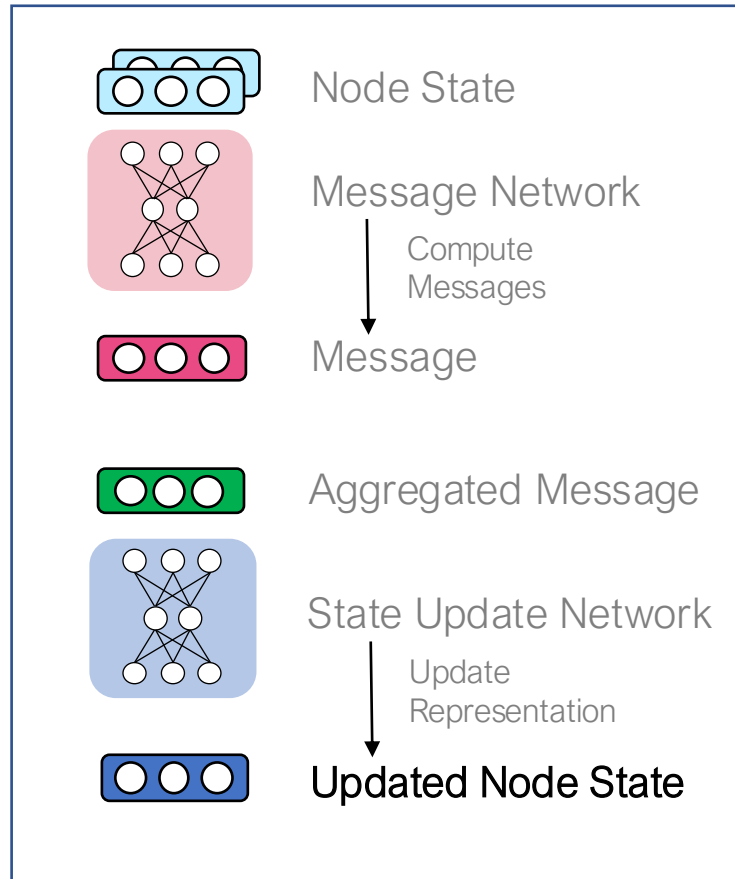
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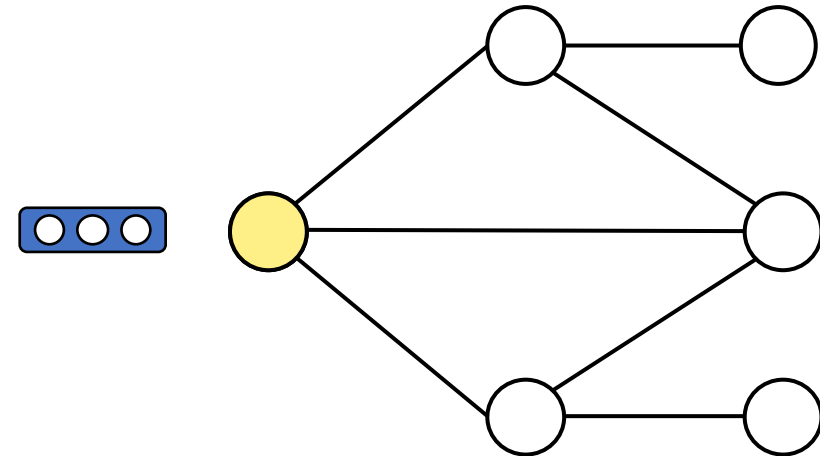
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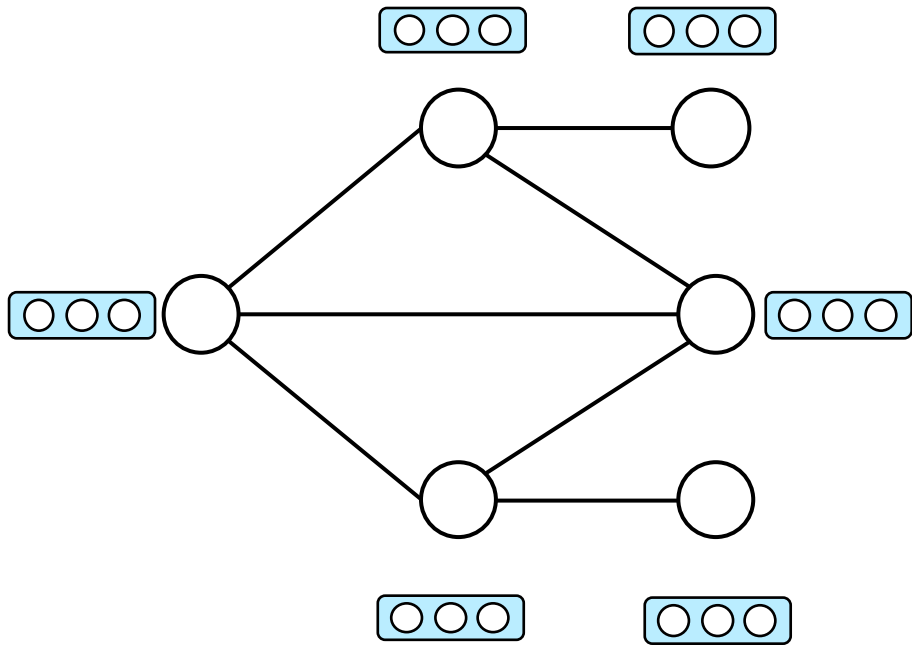
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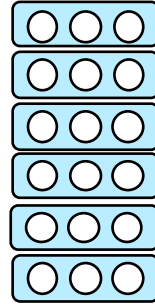
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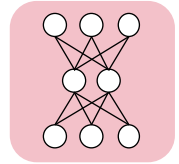


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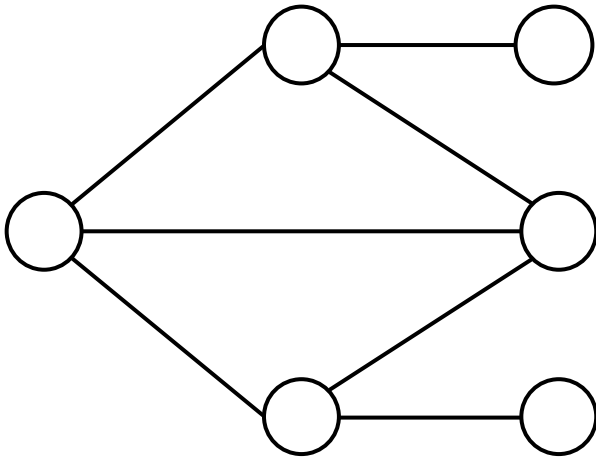


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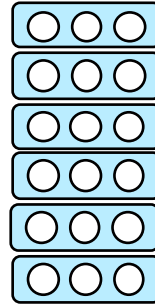
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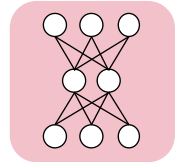
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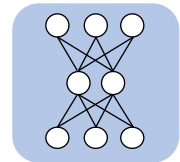
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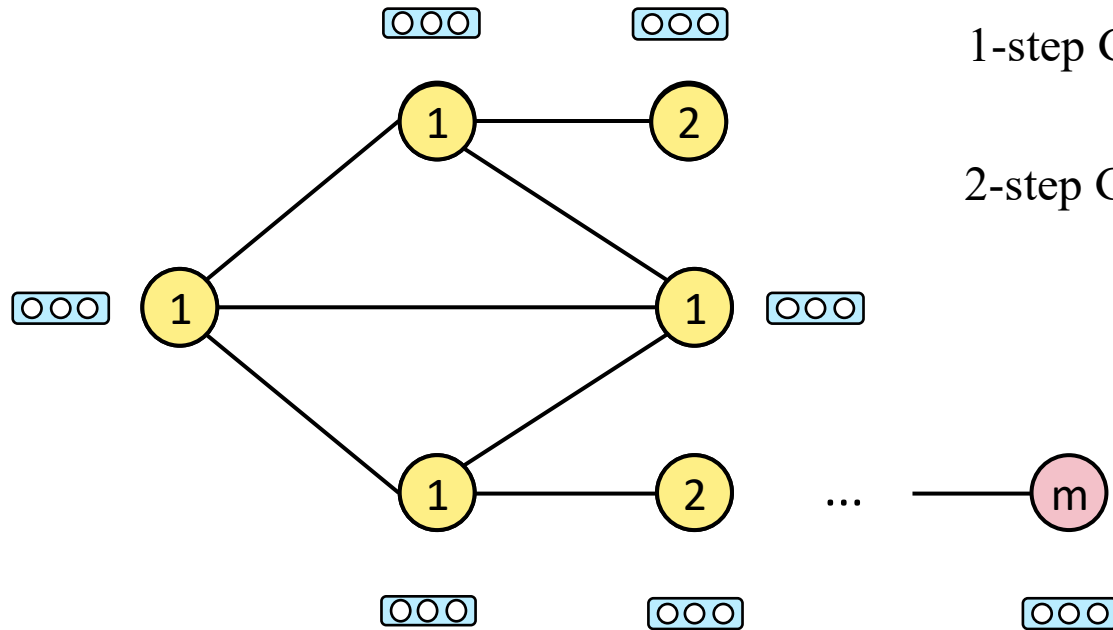
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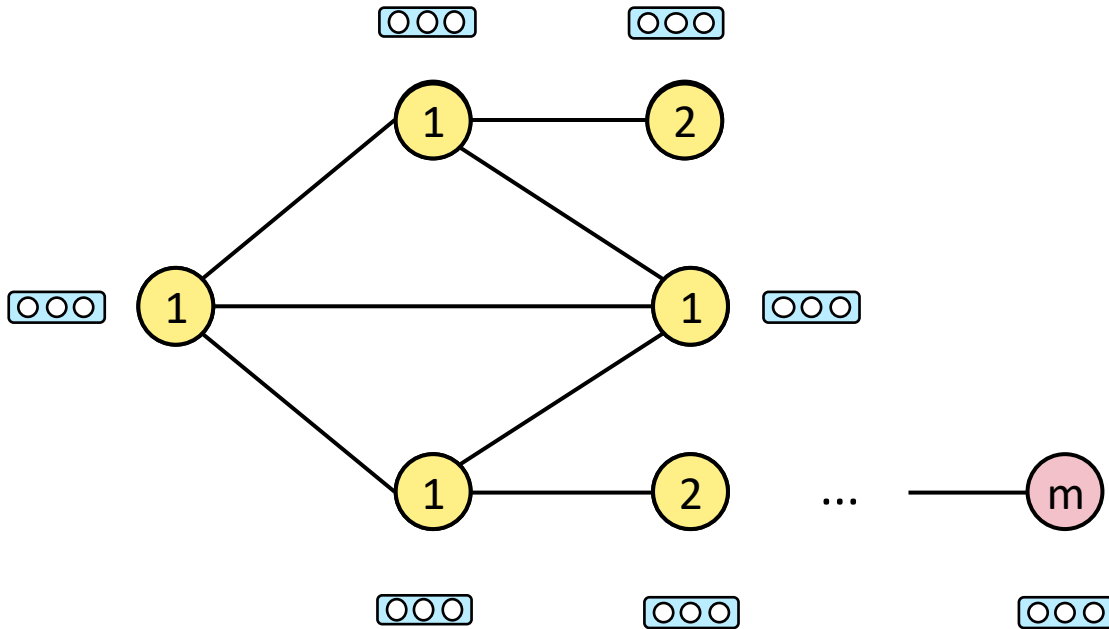
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What if the graph diameter m is large?

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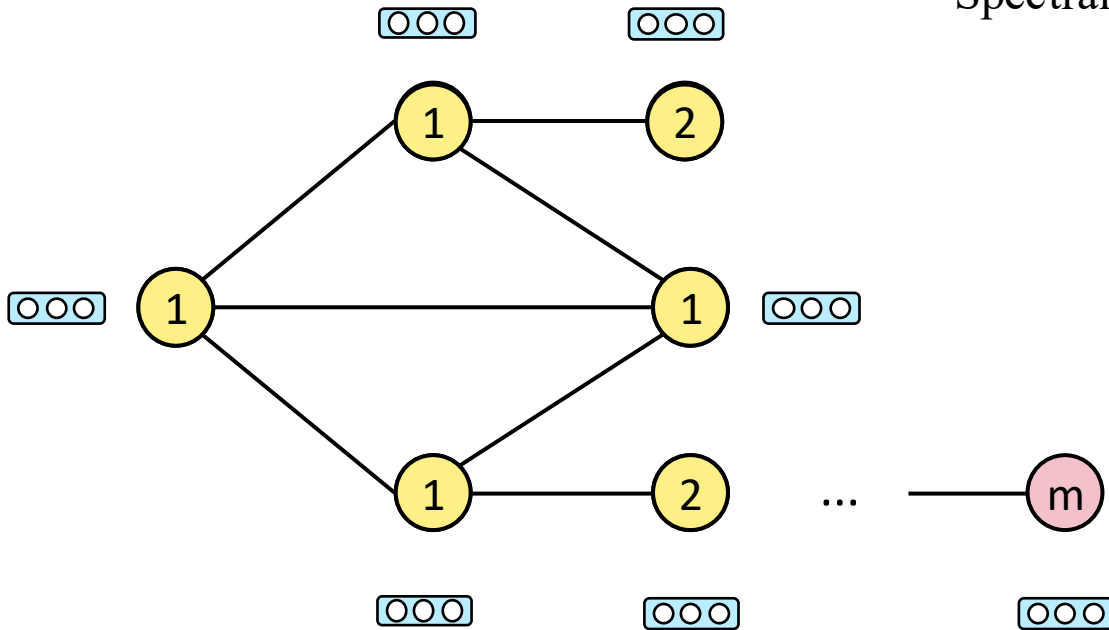
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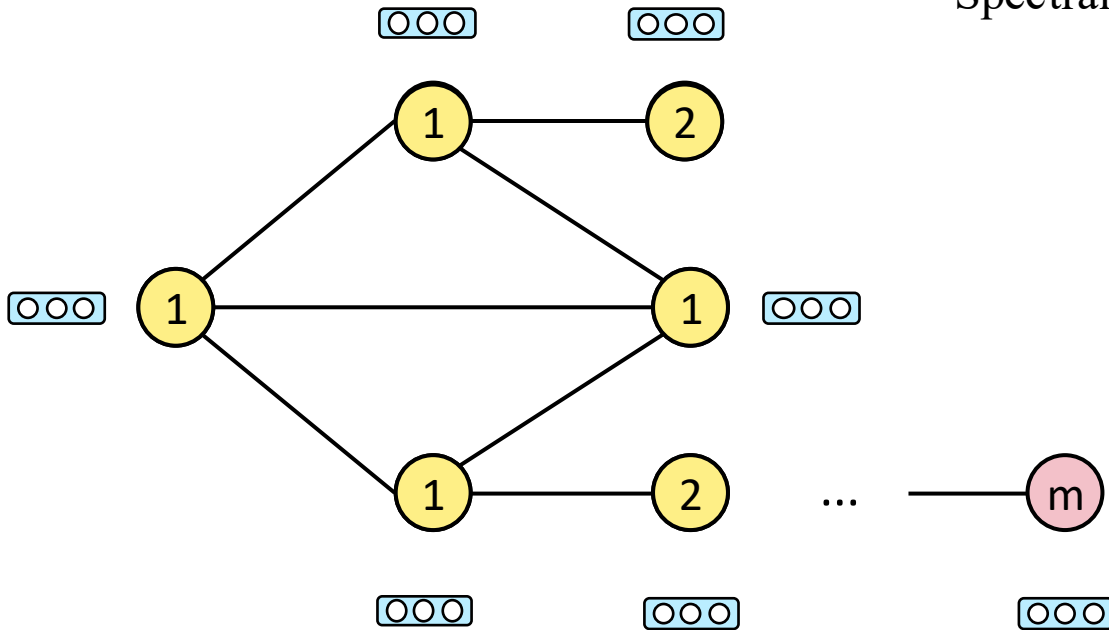
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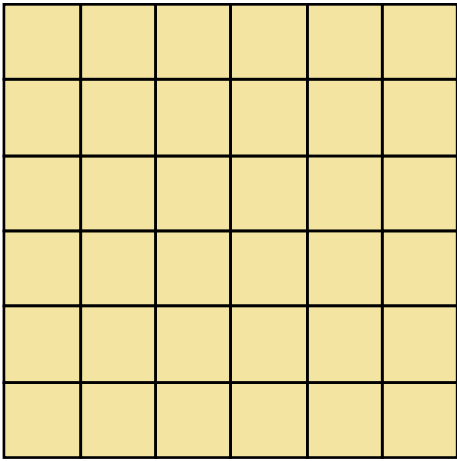
Algorithm 1 : Lanczos Algorithm

- 1: **Input:** S, x, K, ϵ
 - 2: **Initialization:** $\beta_0 = 0, q_0 = 0$, and $q_1 = x/\|x\|$
 - 3: **For** $j = 1, 2, \dots, K$:
 - 4: $z = Sq_j$
 - 5: $\gamma_j = q_j^\top z$
 - 6: $z = z - \gamma_j q_j - \beta_{j-1} q_{j-1}$
 - 7: $\beta_j = \|z\|_2$
 - 8: **If** $\beta_j < \epsilon$, **quit**
 - 9: $q_{j+1} = z/\beta_j$
 - 10:
 - 11: $Q = [q_1, q_2, \dots, q_K]$
 - 12: Construct T following Eq. (2)
 - 13: Eigen decomposition $T = BRB^\top$
 - 14: Return $V = QB$ and R .
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Lanczos Algorithm

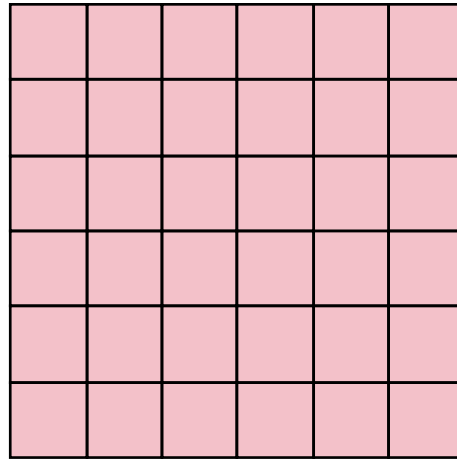
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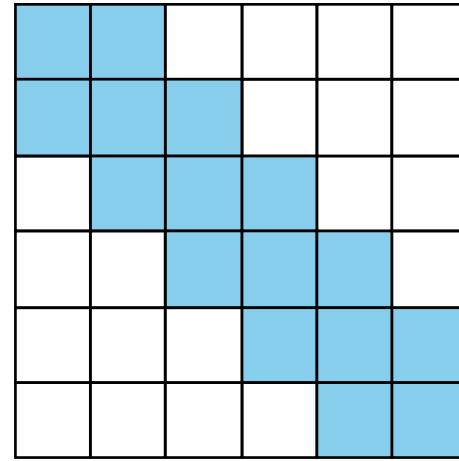


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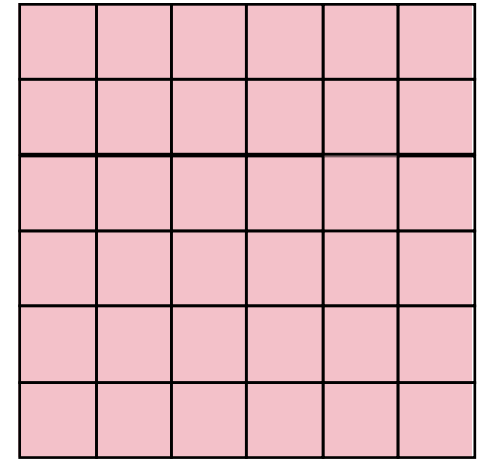
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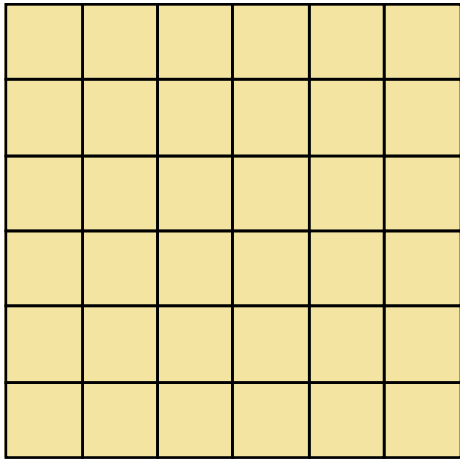


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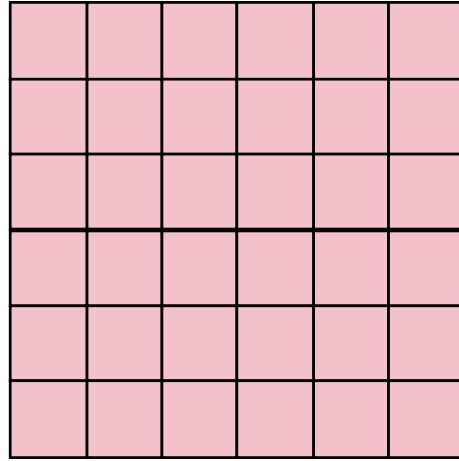
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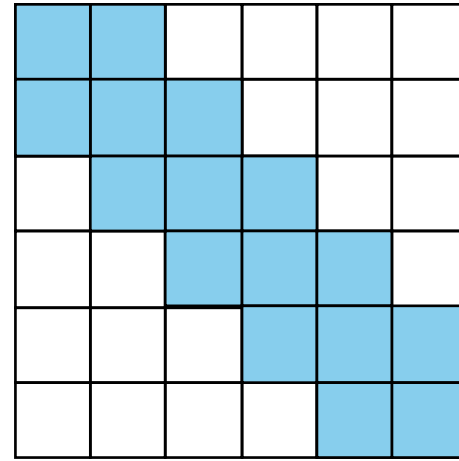


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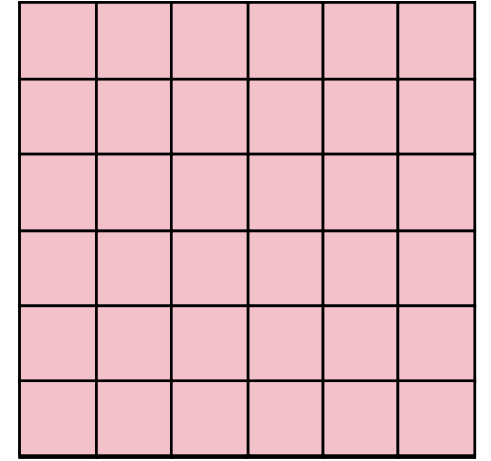
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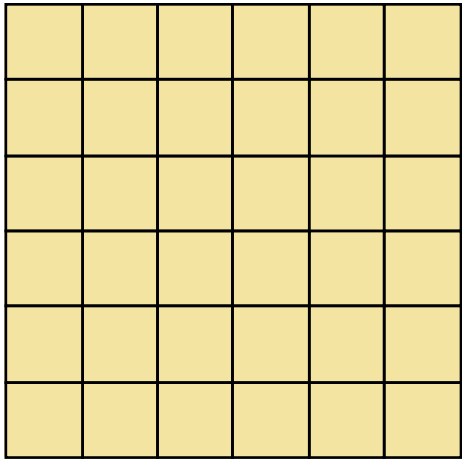


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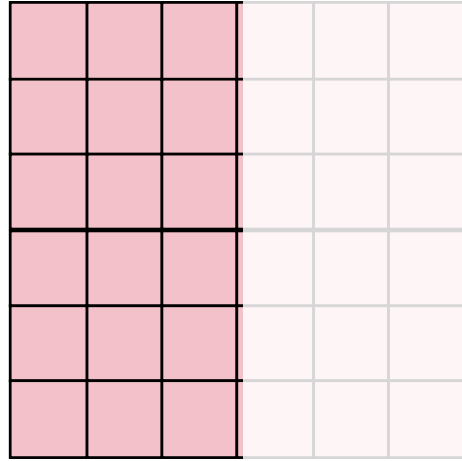
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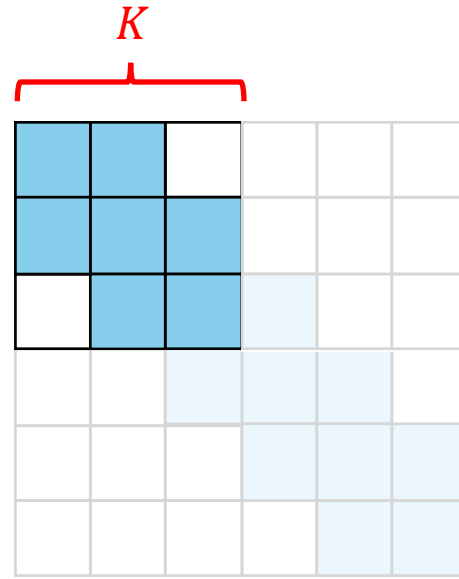


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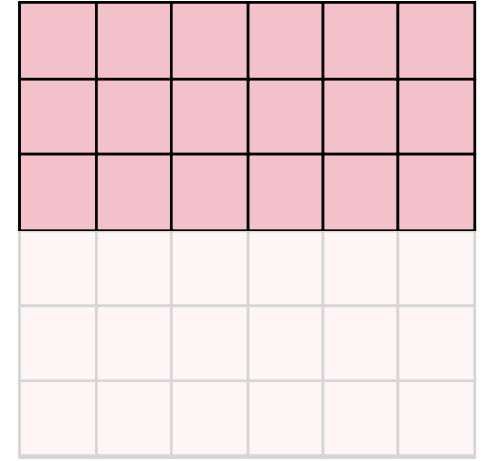
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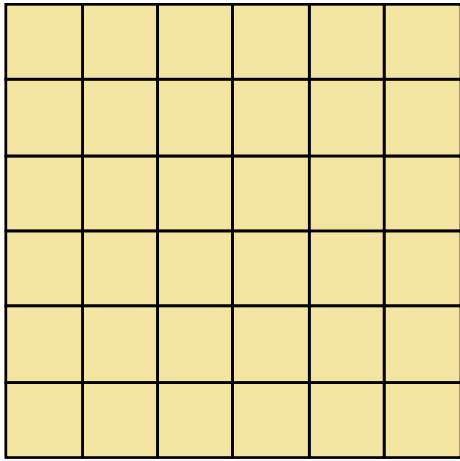
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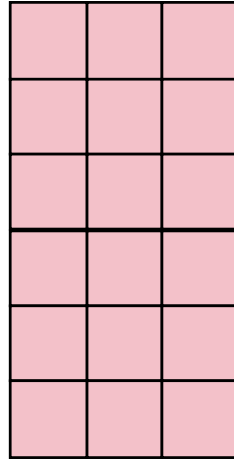
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Low-rank approximation

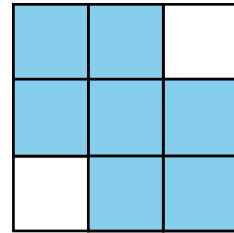


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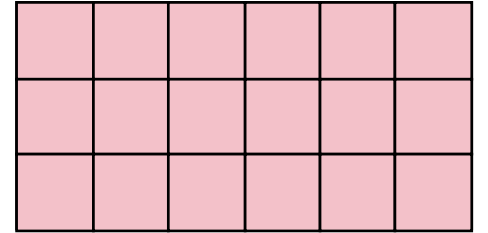
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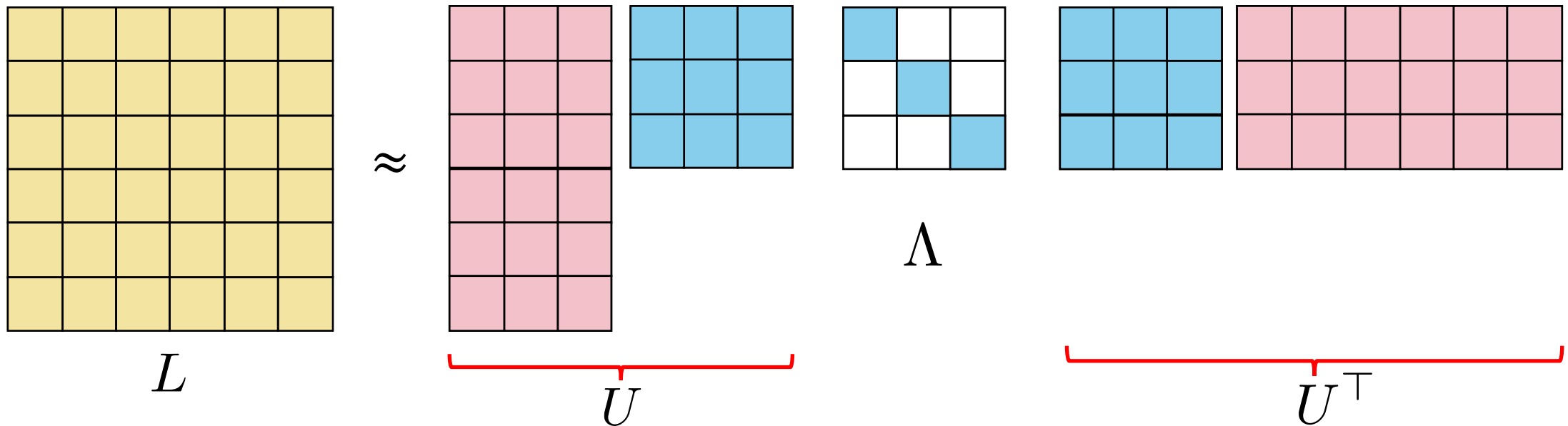


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Lanczos Algorithm

Tridiagonal Decomposition $L = QTQ^\top$

Low-rank approximation with **top K eigenpairs**



$O(N^3)$ \rightarrow $O(KN^2)$

Multi-scale Graph Convolutional Networks

- m-step GraphConv (Prior Work) $H = L^m XW$

LanczosNet [9]:

- m-step GraphConv $H = U \Lambda^m U^\top XW$

- Learn Nonlinear Spectral Filter $H = U \{f_\theta\}(\Lambda^m) U^\top XW$

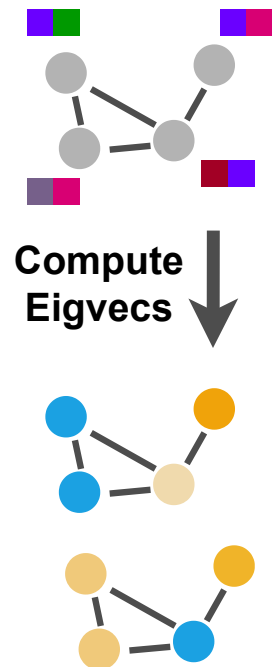
- Learning Graph Kernel / Metric $L_{ij} \propto \exp \left(-\|(X_i - X_j) \{M\}\|^2 \right)$

SignNet

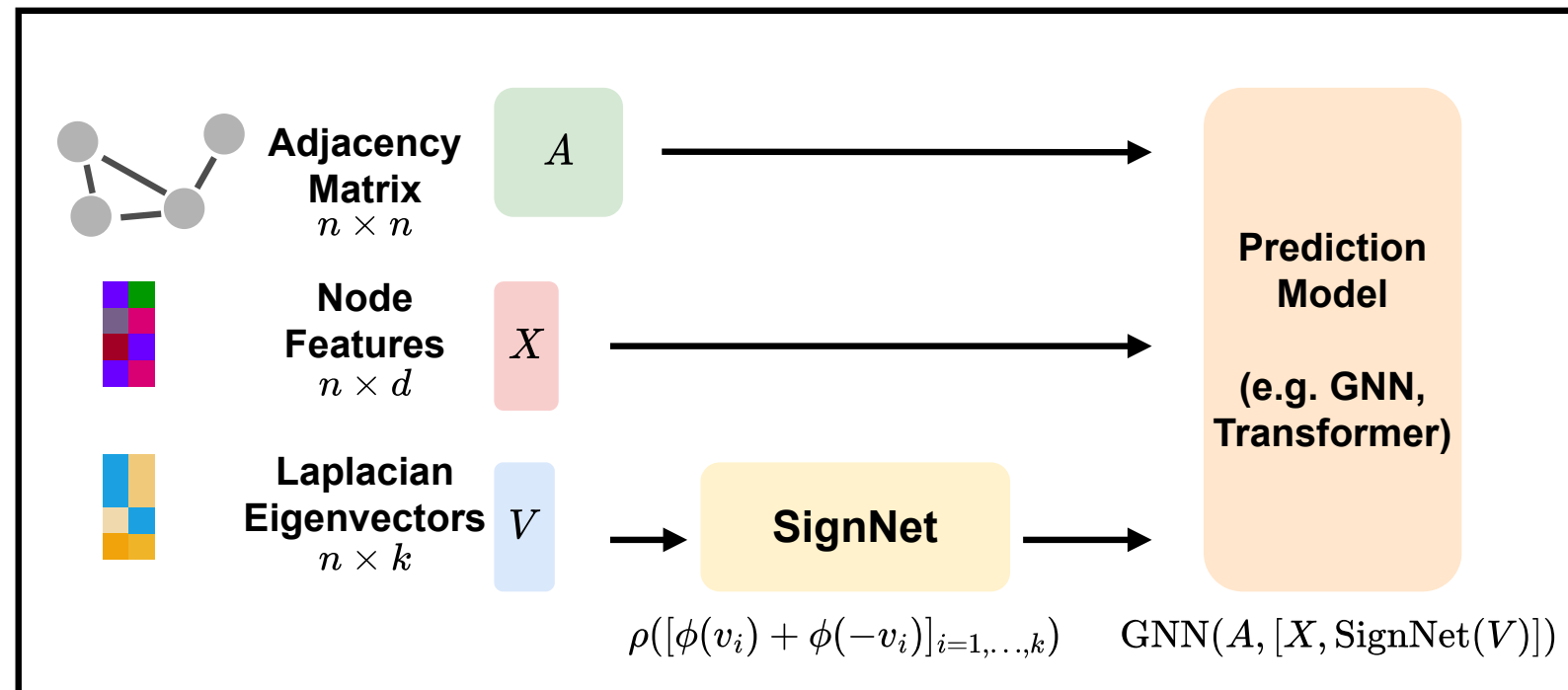
Eigenvectors of graph Laplacian are shown to be powerful node features, e.g., [10].

However, the sign-change of eigenvectors leaves the eigenspace unchanged. In other words, we need a network that is invariant to the sign-change. SingNet [11] does the job!

Input Graph



Model



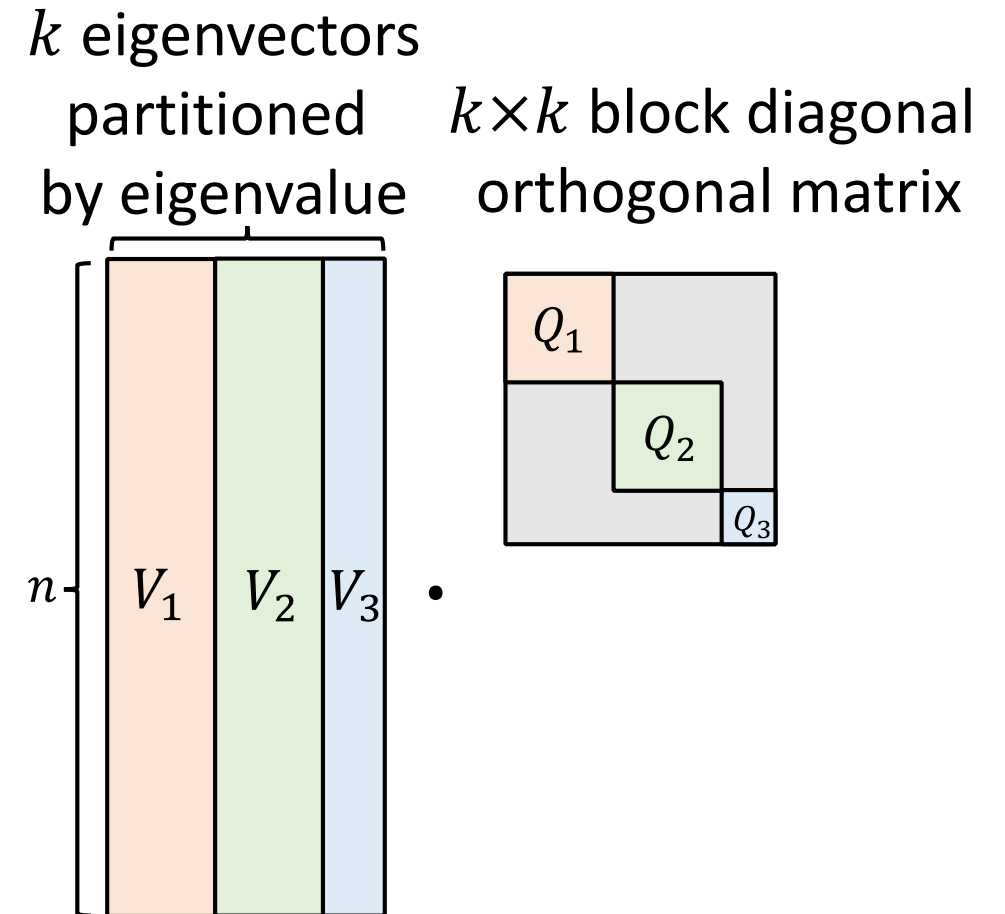
SignNet

The variant of SingNet [11], called BasisNet [11], is also invariant to the change of basis of the eigenspaces:

$$f(V_1, \dots, V_l) = f(V_1 Q_1, \dots, V_l Q_l), \\ Q_i \in O(d_i)$$

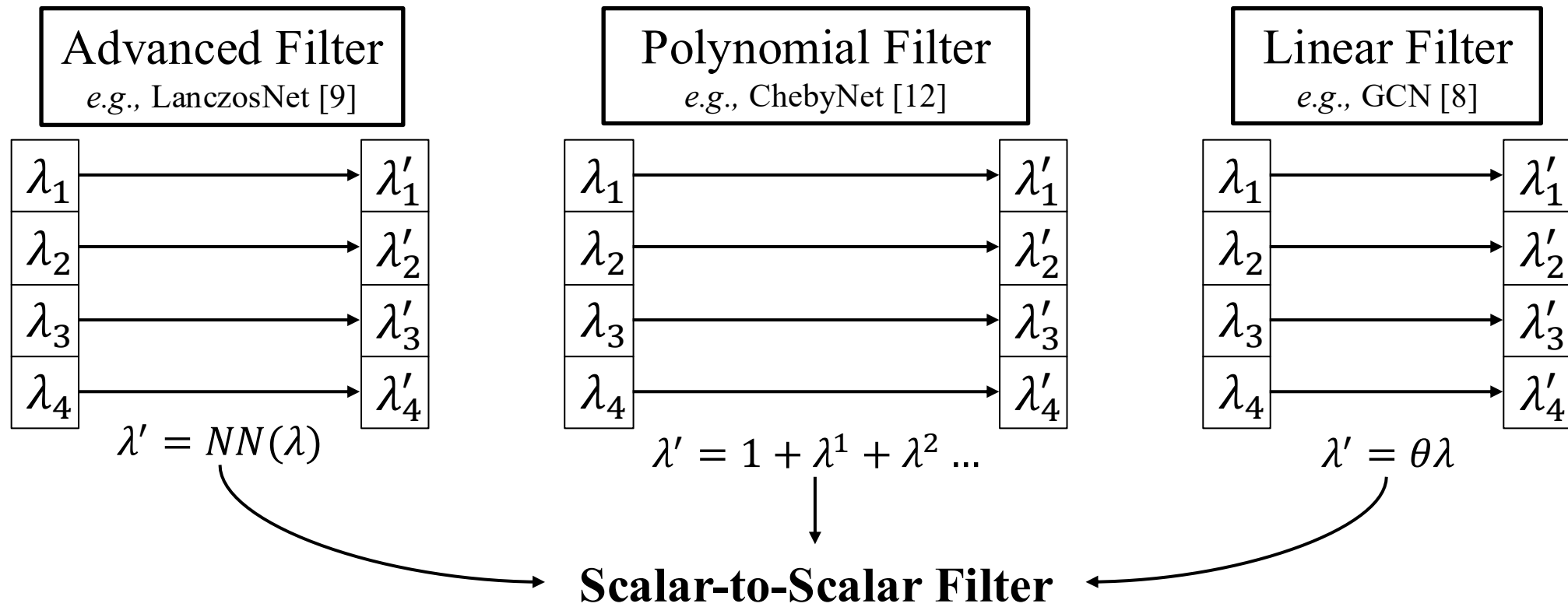
In particular, the model has the form:

$$f(V_1, \dots, V_l) = \rho \left([\phi_{d_i}(V_i V_i^\top)]_{i=1}^l \right)$$



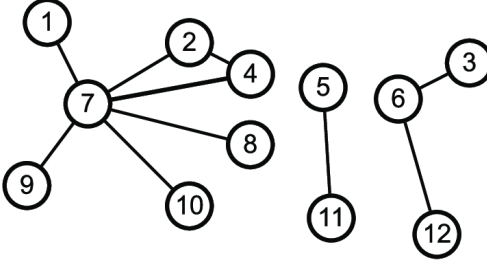

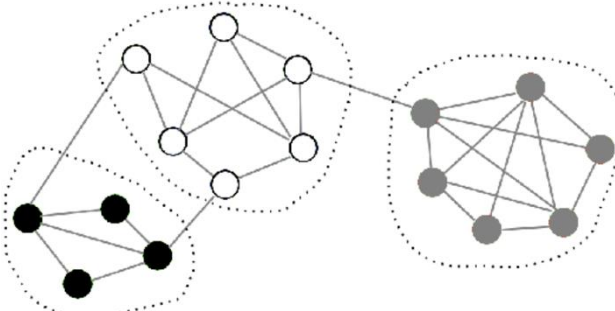
Specformer

Previous work employ scalar-to-scalar spectral filters



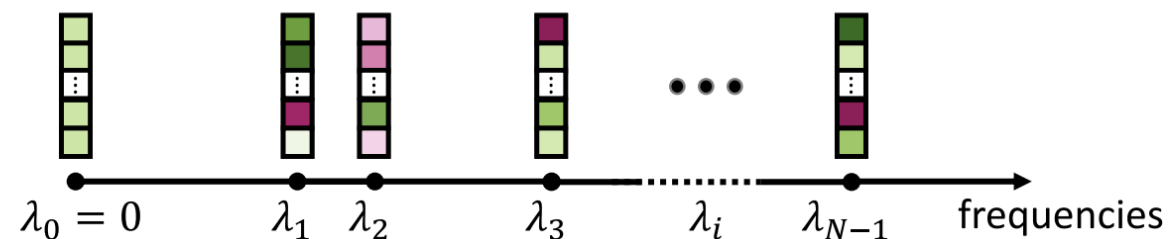
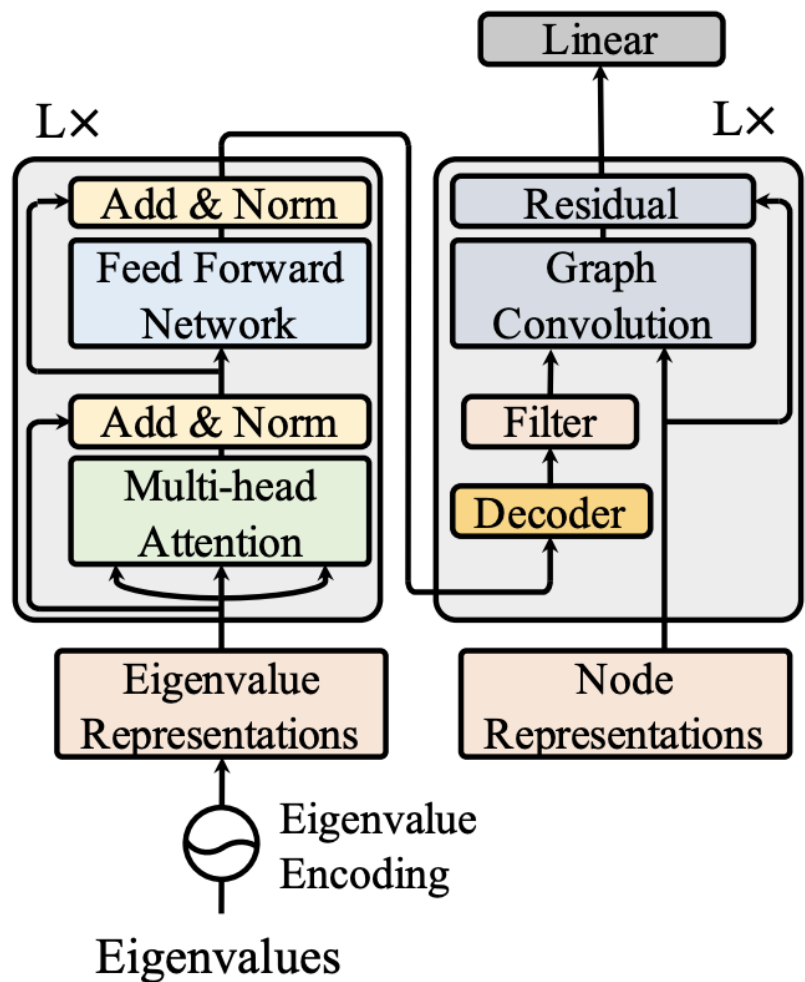
Specformer

Previous work employ scalar-to-scalar spectral filters, which may fail to capture global graph properties.

| Spectrum Information | Example | Definition | Scalar Input | Set Input |
|------------------------|--|--|--------------|-----------|
| Algebraic Connectivity |  | $\text{Count}(\lambda = 0)$ | ✗ | ✓ |
| Diameter |  | $\left[\frac{4}{n\lambda_2}, \frac{1}{2m\lambda_1}\right]$ | ✗ | ✓ |
| Clusterability |  | $\lambda_2 - \lambda_1$ ($\lambda_1 \neq \lambda_2 \neq 0$) | ✗ | ✓ |

Specformer

Instead of employing scalar-to-scalar spectral filters, Specformer [13] uses set-to-set spectral filters:



$$\rho(\lambda, 2i) = \sin\left(\epsilon\lambda/10000^{2i/d}\right)$$
$$\rho(\lambda, 2i + 1) = \cos\left(\epsilon\lambda/10000^{2i/d}\right)$$

Due to the eigenvalue encoding, the spectral filter is permutation invariant!

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Questions?