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Gated Graph Sequence Neural Networks

Introduction There are many graph-structured data and problems.



Knowledge Graphs

Logical Reasoning

Dynamic Data Structures

Sample problems: entity relation reasoning, link prediction, graph property prediction, shortest-paths, etc.

In this paper we study learning representations for nodes and graphs and propose

Gated Graph Neural Networks for making single predictions on graphs.

Gated Graph Sequence Neural Networks for making sequences of predictions on graphs.

Gated Graph Neural Networks

We based our model on the Graph Neural Networks [1], but made a few important changes.

Propagation model computes node representations.

Allow multiple edge types (indicated by different colors in the illustrations). Propagation in both directions. Each node v has representation $\mathbf{h}_{v}^{(t)}$ at propagation step t.



 $h^{(t-1)}$









GRU-Style Update

$$\mathbf{a}^{(t)} = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{h}^{(t-1)} + \mathbf{b}$$
$$\mathbf{r}_{v}^{t} = \sigma \left(\mathbf{W}^{r} \mathbf{a}_{v}^{(t)} + \mathbf{U}^{r} \mathbf{h}_{v}^{(t-1)} \right)$$
$$\mathbf{z}_{v}^{t} = \sigma \left(\mathbf{W}^{z} \mathbf{a}_{v}^{(t)} + \mathbf{U}^{z} \mathbf{h}_{v}^{(t-1)} \right)$$
$$\widetilde{\mathbf{h}_{v}^{(t)}} = \tanh \left(\mathbf{W} \mathbf{a}_{v}^{(t)} + \mathbf{U} \left(\mathbf{r} \mathbf{h}_{v}^{(t)} \right) \right)$$
$$\mathbf{h}_{v}^{(t)} = (1 - \mathbf{z}_{v}^{t}) \odot \mathbf{h}_{v}^{(t-1)} + \mathbf{z}$$

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Reset Gate Update Gate $\left(\mathbf{r}_v^t \odot \mathbf{h}_v^{(t-1)}\right)$ $\mathbf{z}_v^t \odot \mathbf{h}_v^{(t)}$

Problem-specific node annotations are used to initialize $\mathbf{h}^{(0)}$.

Example: can we reach u from v? For this problem, we need to let the model know that \boldsymbol{u} and \boldsymbol{v} are special and different. $\mathbf{h}_{u} = [1,0], \mathbf{h}_{v} = [0,1], \text{ others } [0,0].$



Output Model makes predictions from node representations.

Per-Node Output

 $o_v = g(\mathbf{h}_v^{(T)}, l_v)$

One output for each node.

Node Selection Output

 $o = \text{Softmax}_v \{g(\mathbf{h}_v^{(T)}, l_v)\}$

One score for each node, then select a node based on score.

Training: unroll propagation process for fixed T steps and backprop through time, trained end-to-end.

[1] restricted the propagation model to contraction map and used the Almeida-Pineda [2,3] algorithm for training. We lifted this restriction and made node initialization meaningful as the propagation model does not need to be a contraction map. We proved that under the contraction map restriction the model has problems modeling long-range interactions.

Gated Graph Sequence Neural Networks

In some cases we need to make a sequence of decisions or generate a a sequence of outputs for a graph. To solve these problems on graphs: each prediction step can be implemented with a GG-NN, from step to step it is important to keep track of the processed information and states.

Solution: after each prediction step, produce a per-node state vector to be carried over to the next step.



The whole sequence model trainable is end-to-end.

When to stop: use a special <end> output or have an extra graph level output model to decide whether to continue or not after each step.

reachable from v

(pad with zeros) to give the model extra capacity.



bAbl tasks and graph algorithms

We tested the GG-NN model on 4 toy graph property tasks, all of them are solved perfectly with only a few tens of training examples.

Reachability





We used the symbolic format of the bAbl data to get rid of the natural language parsing, and exclusively focus on reasoning. A graph is easily constructed for each story, predictions are made after reading the graph.

Example task (bAbl task 15):

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Eulerian Circuit	0.3 ± 0.2 (950)	0.1 ± 0.2 (950)	$100.0\pm 0.0(50)$		

Sequence prediction problems. GGS-NN solved all of them with only very little training examples compared to RNNs and LSTMs that do not make use of the graph structure.

Program Verification Application

This work on GGS-NN is motivated by the program verification application, where we need to analyze dynamic data structures created in the heap. On a very high level, in this application a machine learning model analyzes the heap states (a graph with memory nodes and pointers as edges) during the execution of a program and comes up with logical formulas that describes the heap. These logical formulas are then fed into a theorem prover to prove the correctness of the program.



Follow the logical formula grammar. Producing one part at a time given the heap graphs. It is therefore a sequence prediction problem on heap graphs.

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We also evaluated on bAbl [3] tasks 4, 15, 16, 18, 19 and created two extra bAbI-like sequence prediction tasks on graphs.



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