ASGN: an Active Semi-supervised Graph Neural Network for Molecular Property Prediction

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Introduction

• Our task: Molecular property prediction



Properties: U0 (Atomization energy at 0K) U (Atomization energy at room temperature) G (Free energy of atomization) HOMO LUMO

Output: Properties

• Applications: Drug discovery, material engineering...



Introduction

- Measure properties by experiments
- Density Functional Theory
- Modern: Machine learning methods
- A molecule as a graph(G = (V, E))
- Pass it to a message passing Graph Neural Networks
- Get the result after 10^{-2} seconds



Introduction

- ML model is data hungry, requires many **labelled** data
- Unlabelled data (molecular graph) is everywhere
- Labelling is expensive
- Our goal: label efficient model
 - $f\colon G\to R^n$
- Our Solution: Active semi-supervised learning



Preliminaries—GNN for molecular property prediction

- Pass message from nodes to nodes
- Aggregate node to get the graph representation

$$z_i^{l+1} = \sigma(\mathbf{W}^l \cdot \operatorname{AGG}(z_i^l, \{\mathbf{e}(v_i, v_j) : v_j \in \mathcal{N}(v_i)\})),$$

$$z_{\mathcal{G}} = \operatorname{Pool}(\{z_i^L : v_i \in \mathcal{V}\}).$$



Related Work—Semi-supervised Learning

- Number of labeled data \ll unlabeled data
- How can we make use of unlabeled data ?
- Create pseudo labels and predict them!



The influence of unlabeled data

Related Work—Active Learning

- Active learning is to improve the value of these labels
- Choose data that is helpful to the model and retrain the model
- Solution: most **representative** and **diversified** subset in the dataset





Challenges

- Data structure of molecules is different from traditional images/text/...
- Few works on semi-supervised learning of molecules
- Low training efficiency because of the imbalance data



Model Framework

- Two GNN, a teacher and a student model
- Train the teacher with semi-supervised learning
- Train the student with fully supervised learning for downstream property prediction



Teacher Model

- Local(node) level pseudo labels—reconstruction
- We believe a good property predictor is able to recover the atom itself from its embedding
- A loss function to reconstruct atom and their distance

$$\mathcal{L}_{r} = -\mathbb{E}_{v_{i} \sim \mathcal{V}} \left[\sum_{m=1}^{K_{n}} f_{im} \log(g_{\theta_{n}}(z_{i})) \right] - \mathbb{E}_{e_{ij} \sim \mathcal{E}} \left[\sum_{m=1}^{K_{e}} e_{ijm} \log(g_{\theta_{e}}(z_{i}, z_{j})) \right],$$

GNN





Teacher Model

- Global level pseudo labels—clustering loss
- Implicit clustering via optimal transport
- Predict these clusters and repeat iteratively





Teacher model

- Summary of the teacher model
- Add these three loss terms to guide its optimization
- (1).property loss
- (2).reconstruction loss
- (3).clustering loss

$$\mathcal{L}_t = \sum_{\mathcal{G} \in \mathcal{D}_l} \mathcal{L}_p + \sum_{\mathcal{G} \in \mathcal{D}_u \cup \mathcal{D}_l} \mathcal{L}_r + \sum_{\mathcal{G} \in \mathcal{D}_u \cup \mathcal{D}_l} \mathcal{L}_c.$$

 D_l :labeled data D_u :unlabeled data



Student model

- Weight transfer from the teacher model
- Fine tune on property prediction task
- Accelerate convergence and alleviate loss conflict



Property	Value
HOMO	-0.38eV
LUMO	0.08eV
U	-196.43eV

Active Data Selection

- Choose most informative data
- K center to choose one molecule from one cluster
- Add them into the labeled dataset
- Repeat the process until label budget is used up





• Datasets

QM9: 130,000 molecules, <9 heavy atoms
OPV: 100,000 medium sized molecules

• Properties (All calculated by DFT)

 $\frac{U_0}{\text{eV}}$ UG H C_v HOMO LUMO ZPVE R^2 (1) QM9: gap α eV eV Bohr³ eV Cal/MolK eV eV eV Bohr² Debve eV (2) OPV: HOMO LUMO Hatree

- Effectiveness, compare error on test dataset
- Baselines
- (1).Supervised
- (2).Mean-teachers
- (3).InfoGraph

• Results

Properties	U_0	U	G	Н	C_v	HOMO	LUMO	gap	ZPVE	R^2	μ	α
Unit	eV	eV	eV	eV	Cal/MolK	eV	eV	eV	eV	Bohr ²	Debye	Bohr ³
Supervised	0.3204	0.2934	0.2948	0.2722	0.2368	0.1632	0.1686	0.2475	0.0007	10.05	0.3201	0.5792
Mean-Teachers	0.3717	0.2730	0.2535	0.2150	0.2036	0.1605	0.1686	0.2394	0.00054	5.22	0.3488	0.5792
InfoGraph	0.1410	0.1702	0.1592	0.1552	0.1965	0.1605	0.1659	0.2421	0.00036	4.92	0.3168	0.5444
ASGN (Ours)	0.0562	0.0594	0.0560	0.0583	0.0984	0.1190	0.1061	0.2012	0.00017	1.38	0.1947	0.2818

Results on QM9

Property	HOMO	LUMO		
Unit	Hatree			
Supervised	0.080	0.078		
Mean-Teacher	0.078	0.075		
InfoGraph	0.077	0.076		
ASGN (Ours)	0.059	0.057		

Results on OPV



- Efficiency, the label efficiency at a certain error
- Baselines:
- (1).Random
- (2).Query by Committee
- (3). Deep Bayesian Active Learning
- (4).Vanilla K-center



• Results





- Ablation Study
- Why using two models (a teacher and a student)
- Why transferring weight from the teacher to the student
- Visualization experiment

Name/Dataset	H	Homo(QM9))	Homo(OPV)			
Unit		eV		Hatree			
Number of data	5k	10k	50k	5k	10k	50k	
ASGN-T	0.1668	0.1523	0.0682	0.080	0.053	0.020	
ASGN-S	0.1632	0.1252	0.0653	0.076	0.049	0.019	
ASGN	0.1190	0.0951	0.0517	0.060	0.039	0.015	

Necessity of teacher and student





Visualization

Many thanks!

