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# **Random Walk Kernels and Other Graph Kernels**

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# **Graph Comparison**

Graph Kernels aim at computing similarity scores between graphs in a dataset

Definition 1 (Graph Comparison Problem)

Given two graphs G and G' from the space of graphs G. The problem of graph comparison is to find a mapping

$$s: G \times G' \rightarrow R$$

such that s(G,G') quantifies the similarity (or dissimilarity) of G and G'.



# **Graph Kernels Measuring Graph Similarity**

### Principle

- Let  $\phi(x)$  be a vector representation of the graph x
- The kernel between two graphs is defined by:

$$K(x,x') = \phi(x)^T \phi(x')$$

- To solve convex optimization with kernels, kernels needs to be
  - Symmetric, that is, k(x, x') = k(x', x), and
  - Positive semi-definite (p.s.d.)
- Comparing nodes in a graph involves constructing a kernel between nodes
- Comparing graphs involves constructing a kernel between graphs.

### Advantages

• Similarity of two graphs are inferred through kernel function

### Disadvantages

• Defining a kernel that captures the semantics inherent in the graph structure and is reasonably efficient to evaluate is the key challenge.

### **Brief history of graph kernels**

- □ The idea of **constructing kernels** *on* **graphs** (i.e., between the nodes of a single graph) was first proposed by Kondor and Lafferty (2002), and extended by Smola and Kondor (2003).
- □ Idea of <u>kernels *between* graphs</u> were proposed by G<sup>"</sup>artner et al. (2003) and later extended by Borgwardt et al. (2005).
- Idea of marginalized kernels (Tsuda et al., 2002) was extended to graphs by Kashima et al. (2003, 2004), then further refined by Mah'e et al. (2004).

Graph kernels are Instance of **R-convolution** kernels by Haussler (1999)

*R*-convolution is a generic way of defining kernels on discrete compound objects by <u>comparing all pairs of decompositions</u> <u>thereof</u>.

Therefore, a new type of decomposition of a graph results in a new graph kernel.

A graph kernel makes the whole family of kernel methods applicable to graphs

### <u>Generation of complete decompositions of graph is as hard as</u> <u>subgraph isomorphism !!</u>

### **Graph Kernels**



How to define a **valid kernel** function  $K(G_j, G_j)$ , between two graphs  $G_i$  and  $G_j$ .

- *K*(*G<sub>j</sub>*, *G<sub>j</sub>*) should provide relationship (similarity / dissimilarity / correlation etc.) measure for between two graphs.
- *K*(*G<sub>j</sub>*, *G<sub>j</sub>*) should be able to be applied in kernel based machine learning methods such that it provide optimal classification / clustering performance.

We will look at graph kernels that states similarity between kernels.

# **Graph Terminology**

- A graph G as a triplet (V, E, l), where V is the set of vertices, E is the set of undirected edges, and l : V → Σ is a function that assigns labels from an alphabet Σ to nodes in the graph.
- The neighborhood N(v) of a node v is the set of nodes to which
   v is connected by an edge, that is N(v) = {v'|(v,v') ∈ E}.

For simplicity, we assume that every graph has n nodes, m edges, and a maximum degree of d. The size of G is defined as the cardinality of V.

# **Graph Terminology cont.**

- A **path** is a walk that consists of distinct nodes only.
- A walk is a sequence of nodes in a graph, in which consecutive nodes are connected by an edge. walk extends the notion of path by allowing nodes to be equal
- A (*rooted*) *subtree* is a subgraph of a graph, which has no cycles, but a <u>designated</u> root node.
- The **height of a subtree** is the maximum distance between the root and any other node in the subtree.

# **Complete Graph Kernels**

A graph **kernel is complete** if it <u>separates non-isomorphic graphs</u>, i.e.:

 $\forall G_1, G_2 \in X, d_K (G_1, G_2) = 0 \Rightarrow G1 \cong G2.$ 

Equivalently,  $\phi(G_1) \neq \phi(G_1)$  if  $G_1$  and  $G_2$  are not isomorphic.

- If a graph kernel is not complete, then it cannot cover all possible functions over X: the kernel is not expressive enough.
- On the other hand, kernel computation must be tractable, i.e., no more than polynomial (with small degree) for practical applications.
- Can we define tractable and expressive graph kernels?

Computing any <u>complete graph kernel is at least as hard as the graph</u> <u>isomorphism problem</u>. (Gärtner et al., 2003) Let  $\lambda(G)_{G \in X}$  a set or **nonnegative** real-valued weights For any graph  $G \in X$ , let  $\forall H \in X$ ,  $\phi_H(G) = |G' \text{ is a subgraph of } G : G' \cong H$ The **subgraph kernel** between any two graphs  $G_1$  and  $G_2 \in X$ is defined by:

$$K_{subgraph}(G_1, G_2) = \sum_{H \in X} \lambda_H \phi_H(G_1) \phi_H(G_2)$$

NOTE: Computing the subgraph kernel is NP-hard. (Gärtner et al., 2003)

## **Graph Kernel Terminology cont.**

*subtree patterns* (also called *tree-walks*, Bach, 2008) can have nodes that are equal .



Figure 1: A subtree pattern of height 2 rooted at the node 1. Note the repetitions of nodes in the unfolded subtree pattern on the right.

Note that all subtree kernels compare subtree *patterns* in two graphs, not (strict) subtrees.

### Path Kernel

A path of a graph (V,E) is sequence of **distinct vertices**  $v_1, \ldots, v_n \in V$  ( $i \neq j \Rightarrow v_i \neq v_j$ ) such that ( $v_i, v_{i+1}$ )  $\in E$  for i = 1, ..., n – 1. Equivalently the paths are the **linear subgraphs**.

The **path kernel** is the subgraph kernel restricted to paths, i.e.,

$$K_{path}(G_1, G_2) = \sum_{H \in P} \lambda_H \phi_H(G_1) \phi_H(G_2)$$

where  $P \subset X$  is the set of path graphs.

NOTE: Computing the path kernel is NP-hard. (Gärtner et al., 2003)

### **Expressiveness vs Complexity trade-off**

- □ It is **intractable** to compute **complete graph kernels**.
- □ It is **intractable** to compute the **subgraph kernels**.
- □ Restricting subgraphs to be linear does not help:
  - □ it is **intractable** to compute the **path kernel**.
- One approach to define polynomial time computable graph kernels is to have the feature space be made up of graphs homomorphic to subgraphs, e.g., to consider walks instead of paths.

### **Three Classes of Graph Kernels**

- □ Graph kernels based on walks and paths
  - Compute the number of matching pairs of random walks (resp. paths) in two graphs
  - □ Random walk kernel are generated by direct product graph of two graphs
  - □ Walks (Kashima et al., 2003; G¨artner et al., 2003)
  - □ Paths (Borgwardt and Kriegel, 2005),

### □ Graph kernels based on limited-size subgraphs

- □ Kernels based on **graphlets**, that represent graphs as counts of all types (or certain type of) of subgraphs of size  $k \in \{3,4,5\}$ .
- □ (Horv'ath et al., 2004; Shervashidze et al., 2009),

### Three classes of graph kernels cont.

- □ Graph kernels based on subtree patterns
  - Subtree kernels iteratively compares all matchings between neighbors of two nodes v from G and v' from G'. In other words, for all pairs of nodes v from G and v' from G', it counts all pairs of matching substructures in subtree patterns rooted at v and v'.
  - □ (Ramon and G¨artner, 2003; Mah´e and Vert, 2009)

### Walks

A walk of a graph (V,E) is sequence of  $v_1, \ldots, v_n \in V$  such that  $(vi, vi + 1) \in E$  for  $i = 1, \ldots, n - 1$ .

We note  $W_n(G)$  the set of walks with n vertices of the graph G, and W(G) the set of all walks.



# Walk Kernel

- Let  $S_n$  denote the set of all possible label sequences of walks of length n (including vertices and edges labels), and  $S = \bigcup_{n \ge 1} S_n$ .
- For any graph X let a weight λ<sub>G</sub>(w) be associated to each walk w ∈ W(G).
- Let the feature vector  $\phi(G) = (\phi_s(G))_{s \in S}$  be defined by:

 $\phi_s(G) = \sum_{w \in W(G)} \lambda_G(w) \mathbf{1}$  (s is the label sequence of w).

• A walk kernel is a graph kernel defined by:

$$K_{walk}(G_1, G_2) = \sum_{s \in S} \phi_s(G_1) \phi_s(G_2)$$

# Walk Kernel Examples

- The **nth-order walk kernel** is the walk kernel with  $\underline{\lambda}_G(w) = 1$  if the length of w is n, 0 otherwise. It compares two graphs through their <u>common walks of length n</u>.
- The **random walk kernel** is obtained with  $\underline{\lambda}_G(w) = P_G(w)$ , where  $\underline{P}_G$  is a <u>Markov random walk</u> on G. In that case we have:  $K(G_1, G_2) = P(label(W_1) = label(W_2))$ , where  $W_1$  and  $W_2$  are two independent random walks on  $G_1$  and  $G_2$ ,

respectively (Kashima et al., 2003).

 The geometric walk kernel is obtained (when it converges) with λ<sub>G</sub>(w) = β<sup>length(w)</sup>, for β > 0. In that case the feature space is of infinite dimension (Gärtner et al., 2003).

These three kernels (nth-order, random and geometric walk kernels) can be computed efficiently in **polynomial time**.

### Walk Kernel Example



### **Subtree Kernels**

Like the walk kernel, amounts to compute the (weighted) number of subtrees in the product graph.



# **Subtree Kernels**

### Motivation

- Compare tree-like substructures of graphs
- May distinguish between substructures that walk kernel deems identical

### **Algorithmic principle**

- for all pairs of nodes r from V1(G1) and s from V2(G2) and a predefined height h of subtrees:
- recursively compare neighbors (of neighbors) of r and s
- subtree kernel on graphs is sum of subtree kernels on nodes

### Marginalized Kernels Between Labeled Graphs

(Kashima et al., ICML 2003)

### Marginalized Kernels

 Assume hidden variables h (ex> walk of a graph) and make use of the probability distribution of visible variables x, x' (structured data ex> Graph) and hidden variables

Marginalized Kernels: Expectation of the joint kernel over all possible values of *h* and *h*'

posterior probability

$$K(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}') = \sum_{h} \sum_{h'} K_{z}(\mathbf{z}, \mathbf{z}') \mathbf{p}(\mathbf{h}|\mathbf{x}) \mathbf{p}(\mathbf{h}|\mathbf{x}')$$
*joint kernel* &  $z = [x;h]$ 

posterior probability p(h | x) can be interpreted as a **feature extractor** that extracts informative features for classification from x

### **Note: Undirected Graph to Directed Graph**

- A graph G = (V, E, l),
  - *V* is the set of vertices,
  - E ⊂ (V × V) is the set of undirected edges (Changed to directed for random walk), and
  - $l: V, E \rightarrow \Sigma$  is a function that assigns labels from an alphabet  $\Sigma$  to nodes in the graph.

### Changing undirected graph to directed graph



- 's' and 'd' denote single and double bonds, respectively.
- Kernel assumes a directed graph, undirected edges are replaced by directed edges

### First Order Markov Random Walks on Graphs

Hidden variable: Random Walks on Graphs

 $K(\boldsymbol{x}, \boldsymbol{x}') = \sum_{\boldsymbol{h}} \sum_{\boldsymbol{h}'} K_z(\boldsymbol{z}, \boldsymbol{z}') p(\boldsymbol{h} | \boldsymbol{x}) p(\boldsymbol{h}' | \boldsymbol{x}').$ 

uniform distribution can be used

- Hidden variable  $h = (h_1, ..., h_l)$  associated with graph G is a sequence of natural numbers from 1 to |G|. |G| : number of vertices
- *h* is generated by a random walk

1-st step)  $h_1$  is sampled from the **prior probability distribution**  $p_s(h)$ .

i-th step)  $h_i$  sampled subject to the transition probability  $p_t(h_i|h_{i-1})$ and with walk termination probability  $p_q(h_{i-1})$ :

$$\sum_{j=1}^{|G|} p_t(j|i) + p_q(i) = 1.$$

• Posterior probability for the walk *h* : *p*(*h*/*G*)

 $p(h|G) = p_s(h_1) \prod_{i=2}^{\ell} p_t(h_i|h_{i-1}) p_q(h_\ell), \text{ where } l \text{ is the length of } h$ 

• traversed labels are listed:  $v_{h_1}e_{h_1h_2}v_{h_2}e_{h_2h_3}v_{h_3}\cdots$ 

## **Define Joint Kernel**

Define vertex kernel & edge kernel

Assume that two kernel functions are readily defined:

- *K*(*v*, *v'*) : *Kernel* between vertex labels
- *K*(*e*, *e'*): *Kernel* between edge labels,

Constrain both kernels to be nonnegative  $K(v, v') \ge 0; K(e, e') \ge 0$ 

where z = (G, h).

 $K(\boldsymbol{x},\boldsymbol{x}') = \sum_{\boldsymbol{h}} \sum_{\boldsymbol{h}'} K_z(\boldsymbol{z},\boldsymbol{z}') p(\boldsymbol{h}|\boldsymbol{x}) p(\boldsymbol{h}'|\boldsymbol{x}').$ 

Example of the vertex label kernels Dirac kernel: For Discrete labels  $K(v, v') = \delta(v = v')$ , Gaussian kernel: For Real value labels  $K(v, v') = \exp(- \parallel v - v' \parallel^2 / 2\sigma^2)$ 

Joint Kernel  

$$K_{z}(z, z') = \begin{cases} 0 & (\ell \neq \ell') \\ K(v_{h_{1}}, v'_{h'_{1}}) \prod_{i=2}^{\ell} K(e_{h_{i-1}h_{i}}, e'_{h'_{i-1}h'_{i}}) \times \\ K(v_{h_{i}}, v'_{h'_{i}}) & (\ell = \ell') \end{cases}$$

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### **Computing Joint Kernel**

Where  $\sum_{h} := \sum_{h_1=1}^{|G|} \cdots \sum_{h_\ell=1}^{|G|}$ 

The straightforward enumeration is **impossible**, because *l* spans from 1 to infinity. 1.2

### **Computing Joint Kernel cont.**

$$K(G,G') = \sum_{h_1,h'_1} s(h_1,h'_1) \lim_{L \to \infty} \sum_{\ell=1}^L r_\ell(h_1,h'_1)$$
$$= \sum_{h_1,h'_1} s(h_1,h'_1) \lim_{L \to \infty} R_L(h_1,h'_1),$$

$$\begin{aligned} r_{\ell}(h_{1},h_{1}') \\ &:= \left(\sum_{h_{2},h_{2}'} t(h_{2},h_{2}',h_{1},h_{1}') \left(\sum_{h_{3},h_{3}'} t(h_{3},h_{3}',h_{2},h_{2}') \times \right) \right) \\ &\left(\cdots \left(\sum_{h_{\ell},h_{\ell}'} t(h_{\ell},h_{\ell}',h_{\ell-1},h_{\ell-1}')q(h_{\ell},h_{\ell}')\right)\right) \cdots \right), \end{aligned}$$

$$\ell \geq 2$$

$$s(h_{1}, h'_{1}) := p_{s}(h_{1})p'_{s}(h'_{1})K(v_{h_{1}}, v'_{h'_{1}})$$

$$t(h_{i}, h'_{i}, h_{i-1}, h'_{i-1}) := p_{t}(h_{i}|h_{i-1})p'_{t}(h'_{i}|h'_{i-1}) \times K(v_{h_{i}}, v'_{h'_{i}})K(e_{h_{i-1}h_{i}}, e_{h'_{i-1}h'_{i}})$$

$$q(h_{\ell}, h'_{\ell}) := p_{q}(h_{\ell})p'_{q}(h'_{\ell})$$

$$r_{1}(h_{1}, h'_{1}) := q(h_{1}, h'_{1}).$$

$$R_{L}(h_{1}, h'_{1}) := \sum_{\ell=1}^{L} r_{\ell}(h_{1}, h'_{1}).$$

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### **Computing Joint Kernel cont.**

Restate this problem in recursive form

$$\begin{split} r_{\ell}(h_{1},h_{1}') & := \left(\sum_{h_{2},h_{2}'} t(h_{2},h_{2}',h_{1},h_{1}') \left(\sum_{h_{3},h_{3}'} t(h_{3},h_{3}',h_{2},h_{2}') \times \left( \cdots \left(\sum_{h_{\ell},h_{\ell}'} t(h_{\ell},h_{\ell}',h_{\ell-1},h_{\ell-1}')q(h_{\ell},h_{\ell}') \right) \right) \cdots \right) \\ & \left( \cdots \left(\sum_{h_{\ell},h_{\ell}'} t(h_{\ell},h_{\ell}',h_{\ell-1},h_{\ell-1}')q(h_{\ell},h_{\ell}') \right) \right) \cdots \right) \\ r_{1}(h_{1},h_{1}') & := q(h_{1},h_{1}') \\ r_{1}(h_{1},h_{1}') & := q(h_{1},h_{1}') \\ R_{L}(h_{1},h_{1}') & := \sum_{\ell=1}^{L} r_{\ell}(h_{1},h_{1}'). \end{split}$$
Equilibrium equation:
$$R_{\infty}(h_{1},h_{1}') = r_{1}(h_{1},h_{1}') + \sum_{i,j} t(i,j,h_{1},h_{1}')R_{\infty}(i,j) \\ R_{\infty}(h_{1},h_{1}') & := r_{1}(h_{1},h_{1}') + \sum_{i,j} t(i,j,h_{1},h_{1}')R_{\infty}(i,j) \\ \end{array}$$

### **Computing Joint Kernel cont.**

computation of the marginalized kernel finally comes down to iteratively solving for  $\pi$ 

$$\begin{aligned} R_L(h_1, h_1') &= r_1(h_1, h_1') + \sum_{k=2}^{I} r_k(h_1, h_1') & r_k(h_1, h_1') = \sum_{i,j} t(i, j, h_1, h_1') r_{k-1}(i, j) \\ &= r_1(h_1, h_1') + \sum_{k=2}^{T} \sum_{i,j} t(i, j, h_1, h_1') r_{k-1}(i, j) \\ &= r_1(h_1, h_1') + \sum_{k=2} t(i, j, h_1, h_1') R_{L-1}(i, j). \end{aligned}$$

until convergence starting from

$$R_1(h_1, h'_1) = r_1(h_1, h'_1) := q(h_1, h'_1)$$
$$q(h_\ell, h'_\ell) := p_q(h_\ell) p'_q(h'_\ell)$$

and substituting the solutions into

$$\begin{split} K(G,G') &= \sum_{h_1,h'_1} s(h_1,h'_1) \lim_{L \to \infty} \sum_{\ell=1}^{L} r_{\ell}(h_1,h'_1) & s(h_1,h'_1) & \coloneqq p_s(h_1) p'_s(h'_1) K(v_{h_1},v'_{h'_1}) \\ &= \sum_{h_1,h'_1} s(h_1,h'_1) \lim_{L \to \infty} R_L(h_1,h'_1), \end{split}$$

Proof of convergence in Section 3.4 of Kashima et al., 2003

# **Extension to Marginalized Graph Kernel**

(Mahé et al. ICML 2004)

Model: Marginalized Graph Kernel with Dirac joint kernel

### Approaches:

- Size of product graph affects runtime of kernel computation
  - The more node labels, the smaller the product graph
  - Trick: Introduce new artificial node labels

Iterative Label Enrichment: Morgan Index (1965)



Focusing on non-tottering walks is a way to get closer to the path kernel

Reduce Tottering effect by Using **2nd Order Markov Random Walk** instead of 1st order

### **Simplified Marginalized Graph Kernel**

*K*: Marginalized graph kernel

$$K(\boldsymbol{x}, \boldsymbol{x}') = \sum_{\boldsymbol{h}} \sum_{\boldsymbol{h}'} K_{\boldsymbol{z}}(\boldsymbol{z}, \boldsymbol{z}') p(\boldsymbol{h} | \boldsymbol{x}) p(\boldsymbol{h}' | \boldsymbol{x}'). \quad K_{\boldsymbol{z}}(\boldsymbol{z}, \boldsymbol{z}') = \begin{cases} K(v_{h_1}, v'_{h'_1}) \prod_{i=2}^{\ell} K(e_{h_{i-1}h_i}, e'_{h'_{i-1}h'_i}) \times K(v_{h_i}, v'_{h'_i}) & (\ell = \ell') \end{cases}$$
where  $\boldsymbol{z} = (G, h).$ 

$$(\boldsymbol{k} = \boldsymbol{k})$$

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$$K(u, u') = \sum_{(h,h') \in V^* \times V'^*} p(h|u)p(h|u)K_L(u(h), u(h'))$$

 $K_L$ : Dirac kernel between labeled sequence  $p(v_1 \dots v_n) = p_s(v_1) \prod_{i=2} p_t(v_i | v_{i-1}).$ 

$$K_L(l,l') = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } l = l' \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \qquad \begin{cases} p_s(v) = p_0(v)p_q(v), \\ p_t(u|v) = \frac{1 - p_q(v)}{p_q(v)}p_a(u|v)p_q(u). \end{cases}$$

 $(\ell \neq \ell')$ 

### **Simplified Marginalized Graph Kernel in Matrix**

two labeled graphs  $G_1 = (V_1, E_1)$  and  $G_2 = (V_2, E_2)$ 

**Tensor product graph** is defined as labeled graph  $G_p = (V_p, E_p)$  with  $V_p \subset V_1 \times V_2$  are pairs of vertices with identical labels  $(v_1, v_2) \in V_p$  iff  $l(v_1) = l(v_2)$ 

and edges connecting the vertices

 $(u_1, u_2)$  and  $(v_1, v_2)$  iff  $(u_i, v_i) \in E_p$ , for i = 1, 2, ... l



# Simplified Marginalized Graph Kernel in Matrix

A function  $\pi$  on the set of walks(paths)  $H(G_p)$ 

 $G \times H$ 

$$\pi \left( (u_1, v_1)(u_2, v_2) \dots (u_n, v_n) \right)$$
 with  

$$= \pi_s \left( u_1, v_1 \right) \prod_{i=2}^n \pi_t \left( (u_i, v_i) | (u_{i-1}, v_{i-1}) \right), \quad \begin{cases} \pi_s(u_1, u_2) = p_s^{(1)}(u_1) p_s^{(2)}(u_2), \\ \pi_t((v_1, v_2) | (u_1, u_2)) = p_t^{(1)}(v_1 | u_1) p_t^{(2)}(v_2 | u_2), \end{cases}$$

 $\pi_t$ 



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# Simplified Marginalized Graph Kernel in Matrix cont.

$$K(G_{1}, G_{2}) = \sum_{(h_{1}, h_{2}) \in V_{1}^{*} \times V_{2}^{*}} p_{1}(h_{1}|G_{1})p_{2}(h_{2}|G_{1})K_{L}(l(h_{1}), l(h_{2}))$$

$$K(G_{1}, G_{2}) = \sum_{h \in H(\mathcal{G})} \pi(h).$$

$$K(G_{1}, G_{2}) = \sum_{h \in H(\mathcal{G})} \pi(h).$$

$$K(G_{1}, G_{2}) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(\sum_{h \in H(\mathcal{G}), |h|=n} \pi(h)\right)$$

$$= \pi_{s}^{\top} (I - \Pi_{t})^{-1} \mathbf{1}.$$

# Label Enrichment with Morgan Index (1965)

### **Problems:**

- The computation of graph kernels is time-consuming.
- Need to increase the relevance of the features used to compare graphs.

### **Expected outcome:**

- The computation of graph kernels is time-consuming.
- Need to increase the relevance of the features used to compare graphs.

### Label Enrichment with Morgan Index cont.

Enrichment with <u>vertex connectivity properties</u>  $\rightarrow$  extended connectivity descriptor :



### Label Enrichment with Morgan Index cont.

 $M_n$ : vector of labels in graph

Given adjacency matrix A and setting  $M_0 = \mathbf{1}$  $M_{n+1} = (A + I)M_n$ 



# **Preventing Tottering**

A **tottering walk** is a walk  $w = v_1 \dots v_n$  with  $v_i = v_i + 2$  for some i.

- A walk can visit the same cycle of nodes all over again
- Kernel measures similarity in terms of common walks
- Hence a small structural similarity can cause a huge kernel value
- Focusing on non-tottering walks is a way to get closer to the path kernel (e.g., equivalent on trees).



### **Preventing Tottering Cont.**

• Tottering path :  $h = (v_1, \ldots, v_n)$ ,  $\exists i : v_{i+2} = v_i$ .



 $\Rightarrow$  preventing totters  $\Leftrightarrow$  filtering blue path.

### **Preventing Tottering Cont.**

### Motivation:





- ★ Every path of  $G_2$  can be matched to a tottering path of  $G_1$
- $\star \Rightarrow$  Compounds are considered as identical

### **Preventing Tottering Cont.**

### Motivation:



• Solution : increase the order of the random walk model :  $\Rightarrow p_G(h) = p_s(v_1)p_t(v_2|v_1)\prod_{i=3}^n p_t(v_i|v_{i-2},v_{i-1})$ 

### 2<sup>nd</sup> order Markov Random Walk

 $p_G(h) = p_s(v_1)p_t(v_2|v_1)\prod_{i=3}^n p_t(v_i|v_{i-2}, v_{i-1})$ 

$$\begin{cases} p_s(v) = p_0(v)p_q^{(0)}(v), \\ p_t(u|v) = \frac{1 - p_q^{(0)}(v)}{p_q^{(0)}(v)} p_a(u|v) p_q(u), \\ p_t(u|w,v) = \frac{1 - p_q(v)}{p_q(v)} p_a(u|w,v) p_q(u). \end{cases}$$

The function is still a valid kernel but the implementation described for the first order Markov random walk cannot be directly used anymore.

=> Instead of explicitly working with  $2^{nd}$  Order Markov Random walk, transform the original graph G to G' such that G' contains the look ahead information.

\* Don't confuse G' used in the last notation for compared Graph

Transformation :  $G = (V, E, l) \Rightarrow G' = (V', E', l')$  where :

•  $V' = V \cup E$ 

•  $E' = \{(v, (v, t)) | v \in V, (v, t) \in E\}$  $\cup \{((u, v), (v, t)) | (u, v), (v, t) \in E, u \neq t\}$ 



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•  $V' = V \cup E$ 

•  $E' = \{(v, (v, t)) | v \in V, (v, t) \in E\} \cup \{((u, v), (v, t)) | (u, v), (v, t) \in E, u \neq t\}$ 



Transformation :  $G = (V, E, l) \Rightarrow G' = (V', E', l')$  where :

•  $V' = V \cup E$ 

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- Theorem: p' factorizes as

$$p'(h') = p'_s(v'_1) \prod_{i=2}^n p'_t(v'_i | v'_{i-1})$$

- Corollary :
  - graph transformation - original graph kernel  $\}$   $\Rightarrow$  tottering paths removed

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• The mapping  $f: H_0(G) \to H_1(G')$  defined by

$$h = (v_1, ..., v_n) \mapsto h' = (v'_1, ..., v'_n) \text{ such that } \begin{cases} v'_1 = v_1 \\ v'_i = (v_{i-1}, v_i) \end{cases}$$

establishes a bijection between  $H_0(G)$  and  $H_1(G')$ one-to-one correspondence

• Let p' be the image of  $p_G$  by f:

 $\forall h' \in H_1(G'), \quad p'(h') := p_G(f^{-1}(h'))$ 

### **Review Bijection**

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Bijection

- **Bijection** (or bijective function or one-to-one correspondence) is a function giving an <u>exact</u> pairing of the elements of two sets.
- Bijective function f: X → Y is a one to one and onto mapping of a set X to a set Y.



A bijection composed of an injection (left) and a surjection (right).

### **Review Bijection cont.**

**Theorem 1. f** is a **Bijective function** between  $H_0(G)$  and  $H_1(G')$ , and for any path  $\mathbf{h} \in H_0(G)$  we have

 $f \colon H_0(G) \to H_1(G')$ 

 $\begin{cases} l(\boldsymbol{h}|G) = l'(f(\boldsymbol{h})|G') \\ p(\boldsymbol{h}|G) = p'(f(\boldsymbol{h})|G') \end{cases}$ 

**Corollary 1.** For any two graphs  $G_1$  and  $G_2$ , the marginalized graph kernel can be expressed in terms of the transformed graphs  $G'_1$  and  $G'_2$  by:

$$K(G_1, G_2) = \sum_{(h'_1, h'_2) \in (\Sigma'_1)^* \times (\Sigma'_2)^*} p'_1(h'_1) p'_2(h'_2) K_L(l'_1(h'_1)l'_2(h'_2))$$