

ANEMONE: Graph Anomaly Detection with Multi-Scale Contrastive Learning

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Graph Anomaly Detection







Graph Self-Supervised Learning

(Semi-)Supervised Graph Learning



Input: A partially labeled attributed graph Output: Inferring the labels of unlabeled nodes

Graph Self-Supervised Learning





Input: An unlabeled attributed graph

Output of downstream task: Inferring the labels of unlabeled nodes



Contrastive Graph Anomaly Detection





Input: An unlabeled attributed graph

Output of downstream task: Inferring node anomaly scores

The **mismatch** between a node and its surrounding contextual information reflects its abnormality



ANEMONE



- Given a target node, two contrastive pretext tasks are created to predict the anomaly score of this node
- A patch-level task contrasts the embedding of a masked target node with the mapping of its raw information
- A context-level task contrasts a target node with the contextual embedding obtained from its surrounding neighbors
- Finally, the abnormality of a node is **statistically estimated** by referring two contrastive scores



Patch-Level Contrastiveness



• Firstly, the masked target node embedding is obtained via a GCN parameterized by θ :

$$\begin{split} \mathbf{H}_{p}^{(i)} &= GNN_{\theta} \left(\mathcal{G}_{p}^{(i)} \right) = GCN \left(\mathbf{A}_{p}^{(i)}, \mathbf{X}_{p}^{(i)}; \boldsymbol{\Theta} \right) \\ &= \sigma \left(\widetilde{\mathbf{D}_{p}^{(i)}}^{-\frac{1}{2}} \widetilde{\mathbf{A}_{p}^{(i)}} \widetilde{\mathbf{D}_{p}^{(i)}}^{-\frac{1}{2}} \mathbf{X}_{p}^{(i)} \boldsymbol{\Theta} \right), \end{split}$$

• Then, the target node representation is calculated via a MLP:

$$\mathbf{z}_{p}^{(i)} = MLP_{\theta}\left(\mathbf{x}^{(i)}\right) = \sigma\left(\mathbf{x}^{(i)}\Theta\right)$$

• Finally, we maximize their agreement based on the assumption that most nodes in a graph is **NOT** anomalies

$$\mathcal{L}_{p} = -\frac{1}{2n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \left(\log\left(s_{p}^{(i)}\right) + \log\left(1 - \tilde{s}_{p}^{(i)}\right) \right) \qquad s_{p}^{(i)} = Bilinear\left(\mathbf{h}_{p}^{(i)}, \mathbf{z}_{p}^{(i)}\right) = \sigma\left(\mathbf{h}_{p}^{(i)}\mathbf{W}_{p}\mathbf{z}_{p}^{(i)^{\top}}\right) \\ \tilde{s}_{p}^{(i)} = Bilinear\left(\mathbf{h}_{p}^{(j)}, \mathbf{z}_{p}^{(i)}\right) = \sigma\left(\mathbf{h}_{p}^{(j)}\mathbf{W}_{p}\mathbf{z}_{p}^{(i)^{\top}}\right)$$



Context-Level Contrastiveness



• Firstly, the contextual embedding of a target node is obtained via a GCN parameterized by ϕ :

$$\mathbf{H}_{c}^{(i)} = GNN_{\phi}\left(\mathcal{G}_{c}^{(i)}\right) = \sigma\left(\widetilde{\mathbf{D}_{c}^{(i)}}^{-\frac{1}{2}}\widetilde{\mathbf{A}_{c}^{(i)}}\widetilde{\mathbf{D}_{c}^{(i)}}^{-\frac{1}{2}}\mathbf{X}_{c}^{(i)}\Phi\right) \qquad \mathbf{h}_{c}^{(i)} = readout\left(\mathbf{H}_{c}^{(i)}\right) = \frac{1}{K}\sum_{j=1}^{K}\mathbf{H}_{c}^{(i)}[j,:]$$

- Then, the target node representation is calculated in the same way but with another MLP
- Finally, we maximize their mutual information with another estimator:

$$\mathcal{L}_{c} = -\frac{1}{2n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \left(\log\left(s_{c}^{(i)}\right) + \log\left(1 - \tilde{s}_{c}^{(i)}\right) \right)$$

Thus, our overall objective is minimizing this contrastive loss: $\mathcal{L} = \alpha \mathcal{L}_c + (1 - \alpha) \mathcal{L}_p$



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Statistical Anomaly Estimator



• For a target node v_i , we generate R ego-nets for patch- and context-level contrastive learning

$$[s_{p,1}^{(i)}, \cdots, s_{p,R}^{(i)}, s_{c,1}^{(i)}, \cdots, s_{c,R}^{(i)}, \tilde{s}_{p,1}^{(i)}, \cdots, \tilde{s}_{p,R}^{(i)}, \tilde{s}_{c,1}^{(i)}, \cdots, \tilde{s}_{c,R}^{(i)}]$$
Positive scores
Negative scores

• We denote the base anomaly score as follows:

$$b_{view,j}^{(i)} = \tilde{s}_{view,j}^{(i)} - s_{view,j}^{(i)}$$

where the subscript "view" represents "p" or "c" and $j \in [1, \dots, R]$

• The final anomaly score is calculated via:

$$y^{(i)} = \alpha y_c^{(i)} + (1 - \alpha) y_p^{(i)} \qquad y_{view}^{(i)} = \bar{b}_{view}^{(i)} + \sqrt{\sum_{j=1}^R \left(b_{view,j}^{(i)} - \bar{b}_{view}^{(i)} \right)^2 / R} \qquad \bar{b}_{view}^{(i)} = \sum_{j=1}^R b_{view,j}^{(i)} / R$$



Experiments



Table 1: Basic statistics of the three datasets.					
Datasets	# Nodes	# Edges	# Attributes	# Anomalies	
Cora	2,708	5,429	1,433	150	
CiteSeer	3,327	4,732	3,703	150	
PubMed	19,717	44,338	500	600	

Table 2: AUC of ANEMONE, its competitors and variants.

Methods	Cora	CiteSeer	PubMed
AMEN	0.6266	0.6154	0.7713
Radar	0.6587	0.6709	0.6233
ANOMALOUS	0.5770	0.6307	0.7316
DOMINANT	0.8155	0.8251	0.8081
CoLA	0.8779	0.8968	0.9512
CoLA _{stat}	0.8869	0.9047	0.9532
ANEMONE _{mean}	0.8963	0.9066	0.9524
ANEMONE _{std}	0.5402	0.7077	0.7440
ANEMONE	0.9057	0.9189	0.9548

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