

Few-shot learning with graph neural networks

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Meta-learning Introduction



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- ❖ deep neural networks will severely overfit on one-shot
- ❖ humans spend a lifetime to classify things
- ❖ knowledge transfer from other tasks

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- ❖ The model is trained to learn tasks in the meta-training set.



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- ❖ two optimizations
 - ❖ the learner, which learns new tasks
 - ❖ the meta-learner, which trains the learner.
- ❖ three categories:
 - ❖ recurrent models
 - ❖ metric learning
 - ❖ learning optimizers

Problem Set-up

$$\mathcal{T} = \{ \{ (x_1, l_1), \dots, (x_s, l_s) \}, \{ \tilde{x}_1, \dots, \tilde{x}_r \}, \{ (\tilde{x}_1, \dots, \tilde{x}_t) \} \}$$

$$Y = (y_1, \dots, y_t) \in \{1, K\}^t$$

Labeled: $\{ (x_1, l_1), \dots, (x_s, l_s) \}$ for supervised learning

Unlabeled: $\{ \tilde{x}_1, \dots, \tilde{x}_r \}$ for semi-supervised and active learning

To classify: $\{ (\tilde{x}_1, \dots, \tilde{x}_t) \}$

Learning objective

$$\min_{\Theta} \frac{1}{L} \sum_{i \leq L} \mathcal{L}(\Phi(\mathcal{T}_i; \Theta), Y_i) + \mathcal{R}(\Theta)$$

Few-shot GNN

- ❖ Goal: propagate label information from labeled samples towards the unlabeled query image
- ❖ Idea: a posterior inference over a graphical model determined by the input images and labels

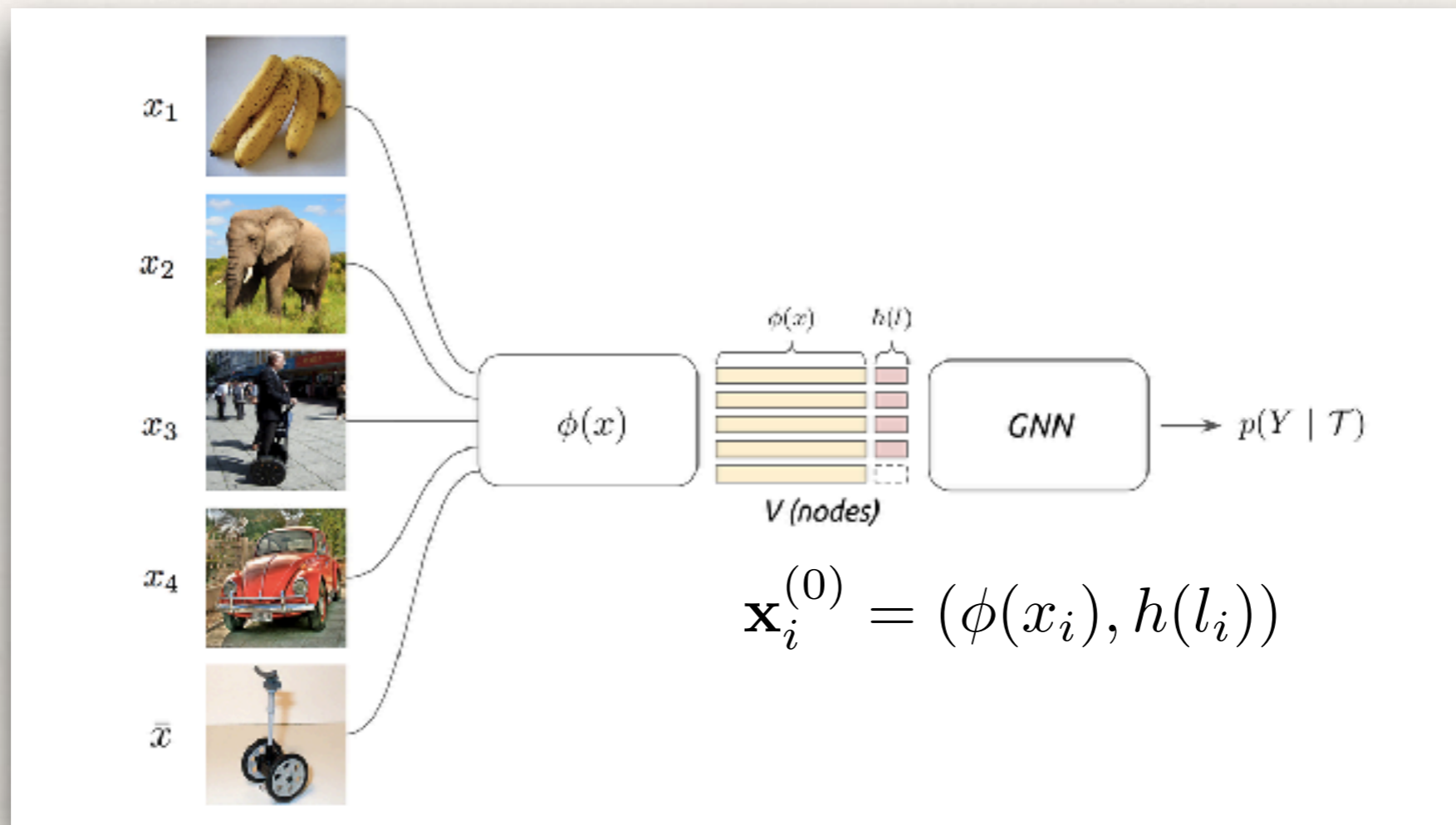
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❖ Contributions

1. supervised message passing through end-to-end graph neural networks
2. state-of-the-art performance with fewer parameters
3. extend to semi-supervised and active learning

Model: node features

❖ Initial Node Features



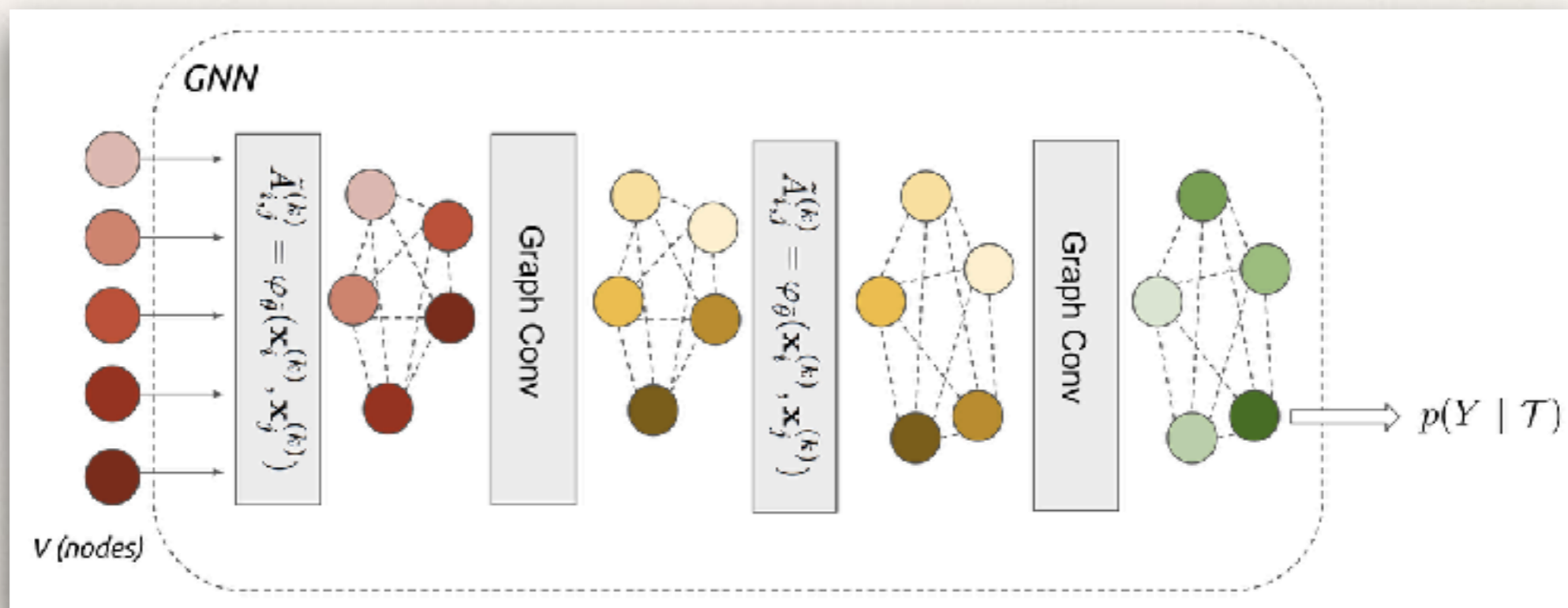
ϕ is CNN; $h(l) \in \mathbb{R}_+^K$ is one-hot encoding

Model: metric

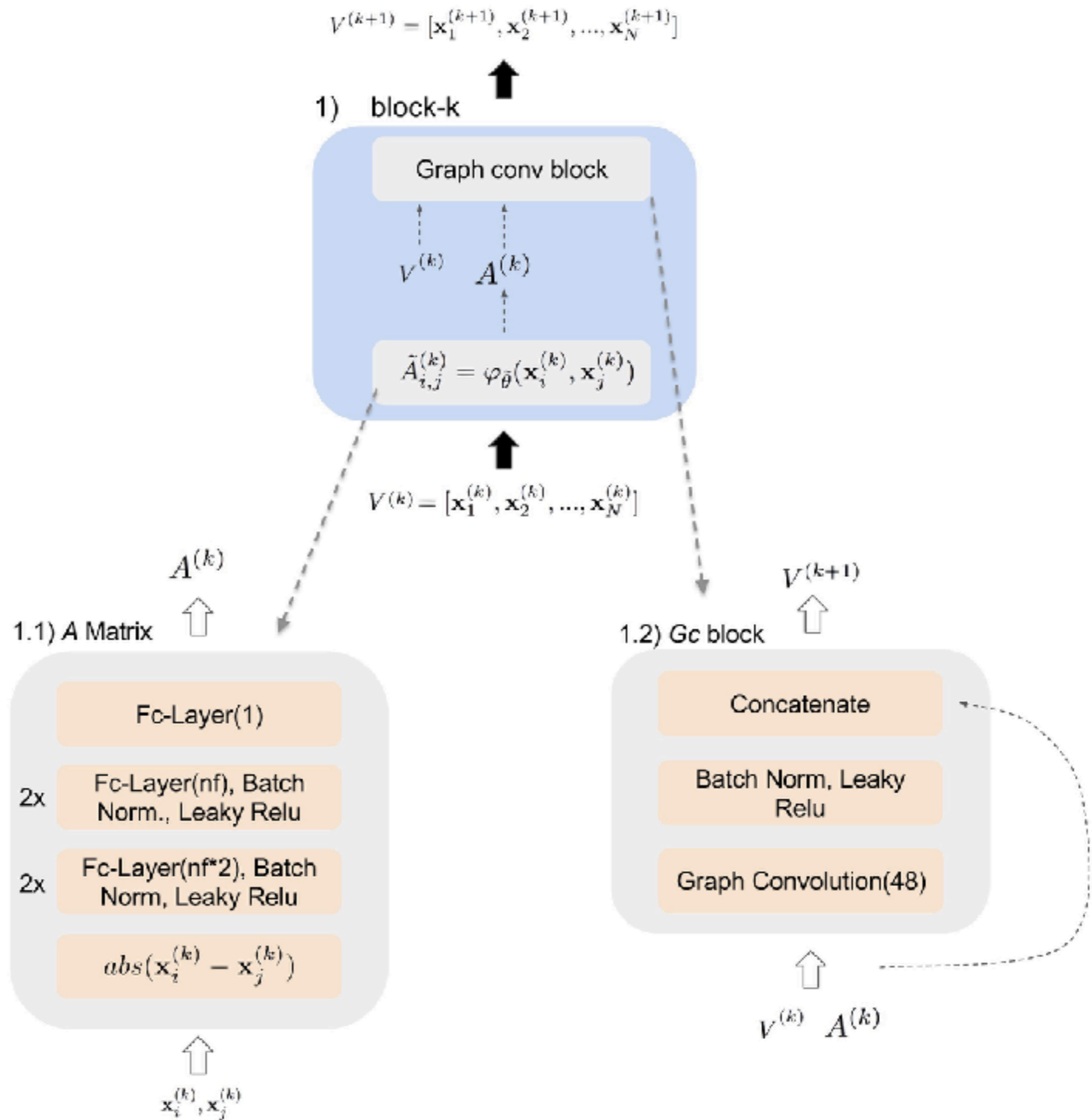
$$V = \{X_1, X_2, \dots, X_N\}$$

$$\tilde{A}_{i,j}^{(k)} = \varphi_{\tilde{\theta}}(\mathbf{x}_i^{(k)}, \mathbf{x}_j^{(k)})$$

$$\varphi_{\tilde{\theta}}(\mathbf{x}_i^{(k)}, \mathbf{x}_j^{(k)}) = \text{MLP}(\text{abs}(\mathbf{x}_i^{(k)} - \mathbf{x}_j^{(k)}))$$



Model: GNN



Experiments

❖ Omniglot

1623 hand drawn characters from 50 alphabets,
every character has 20 examples, at resolution 105x105

Model	5-Way		20-Way	
	1-shot	5-shot	1-shot	5-shot
Pixels Vinyals et al. (2016)	41.7%	63.2%	26.7%	42.6%
Siamese Net Koch et al. (2015)	97.3%	98.4%	88.2%	97.0%
Matching Networks Vinyals et al. (2016)	98.1%	98.9%	93.8%	98.5%
N. Statistician Edwards & Storkey (2016)	98.1%	99.5%	93.2%	98.1%
Res. Pair-Wise Mehrotra & Dukkipati (2017)	-	-	94.8%	-
Prototypical Networks Snell et al. (2017)	97.4%	99.3%	95.4%	98.8%
ConvNet with Memory Kaiser et al. (2017)	98.4%	99.6%	95.0%	98.6%
Agnostic Meta-learner Finn et al. (2017)	98.7 ±0.4%	99.9 ±0.3%	95.8 ±0.3%	98.9 ±0.2%
Meta Networks Munkhdalai & Yu (2017)	98.9%	-	97.0%	-
TCML Mishra et al. (2017)	98.96% ±0.20%	99.75% ±0.11%	97.64% ±0.30%	99.36% ±0.18%
Our GNN	99.2%	99.7%	97.4%	99.0%

Experiments

❖ Mini-ImageNet

60,000 colorful images of size 84×84 with 100 classes, each having 600 examples

Model	5-Way	
	1-shot	5-shot
Matching Networks Vinyals et al. (2016)	43.6%	55.3%
Prototypical Networks Snell et al. (2017)	46.61% \pm 0.78%	65.77% \pm 0.70%
Model Agnostic Meta-learner Finn et al. (2017)	48.70% \pm 1.84%	63.1% \pm 0.92%
Meta Networks Munkhdalai & Yu (2017)	49.21% \pm 0.96	-
Ravi & Larochelle Ravi & Larochelle (2016)	43.4% \pm 0.77%	60.2% \pm 0.71%
TCML Mishra et al. (2017)	55.71% \pm 0.99%	68.88% \pm 0.92%
Our metric learning + KNN	49.44% \pm 0.28%	64.02% \pm 0.51%
Our GNN	50.33% \pm 0.36%	66.41% \pm 0.63%

Summary

- ❖ graph neural representation for few-shot, semi-supervised, and active learning
- ❖ two optimization: node metric + GNN learner
- ❖ comparable results