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# Supplementary Material for “Improving Textual Network Embedding with Global Attention via Optimal Transport”

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## 1 Competing models

### 1.1 Topology only embeddings

3 *Mixed Membership Stochastic Blockmodel* (MMB) (Airoldi et al., 2008): a graphical model for  
4 relational data, each node randomly select a different “topic” when forming an edge.

5 DeepWalk (Perozzi et al., 2014): executes truncated random walks on the graph, and by treating  
6 nodes as tokens and random walks as natural language sequences, the node embedding are obtained  
7 using the SkipGram model (Mikolov et al., 2013).

8 Node2vec (Grover and Leskovec, 2016): a variant of DeepWalk by executing biased random walks  
9 to explore the neighborhood (e.g., Breadth-first or Depth-first sampling).

10 *Large-scale Information Network Embedding* (LINE) (Tang et al., 2015): scalable network embed-  
11 ding scheme via maximizing the joint and conditional likelihoods.

### 1.2 Joint embedding of topology & text

13 Naive combination (Tu et al., 2017): direct combination of the structure embedding and text embed-  
14 ding that best predicts edges.

15 *Text-Associated DeepWalk* (TADW) (Yang et al., 2015): reformulating embedding as a matrix fac-  
16 torization problem, and fused text-embedding into the solution.

17 *Content-Enhanced Network Embedding* (CENE) (Sun et al., 2016): treats texts as a special kind of  
18 nodes.

19 *Context-Aware Network Embedding* (CANE) (Tu et al., 2017): decompose the embedding into  
20 context-free and context-dependent part, use mutual attention to address the context-dependent em-  
21 bedding.

22 *Word-Alignment-based Network Embedding* (WANE) (Shen et al., 2018): Using fine-grained align-  
23 ment to improve context-aware embedding.

24 *Diffusion Maps for Textual network Embedding* (DMTE) (Zhang et al., 2018): using truncated dif-  
25 fusion maps to improve the context-free part embedding in CANE.

## 2 Complete Link prediction results on Cora and Hepth

27 The complete results for Cora and Hepth are listed in Tables 1 and 2. Results from models other  
28 than GANE are collected from (Tu et al., 2017; Shen et al., 2018; Zhang et al., 2018). We have also

29 repeated these experiments on our own, the results are consistent with the ones reported. Note that DMTE did not report results on *Hept* (Zhang et al., 2018).

%Training Edges	15%	25%	35%	45%	55%	65%	75%	85%	95%
<b>MMB</b>	54.7	57.1	59.5	61.9	64.9	67.8	71.1	72.6	75.9
<b>node2vec</b>	55.9	62.4	66.1	75.0	78.7	81.6	85.9	87.3	88.2
<b>LINE</b>	55.0	58.6	66.4	73.0	77.6	82.8	85.6	88.4	89.3
<b>DeepWalk</b>	56.0	63.0	70.2	75.5	80.1	85.2	85.3	87.8	90.3
<b>Naive combination</b>	72.7	82.0	84.9	87.0	88.7	91.9	92.4	93.9	94.0
<b>TADW</b>	86.6	88.2	90.2	90.8	90.0	93.0	91.0	93.4	92.7
<b>CENE</b>	72.1	86.5	84.6	88.1	89.4	89.2	93.9	95.0	95.9
<b>CANE</b>	86.8	91.5	92.2	93.9	94.6	94.9	95.6	96.6	97.7
<b>DMTE</b>	91.3	93.1	93.7	95.0	96.0	97.1	97.4	98.2	98.8
<b>WANE</b>	91.7	93.3	94.1	95.7	96.2	96.9	97.5	98.2	99.1
<b>GANE-OT</b>	92.0	94.4	95.7	96.6	97.3	97.6	98.6	98.8	99.2
<b>GANE-AP</b>	<b>94.0</b>	<b>96.4</b>	<b>97.2</b>	<b>97.4</b>	<b>98.0</b>	<b>98.2</b>	<b>98.8</b>	<b>99.1</b>	<b>99.3</b>

Table 1: AUC scores for link prediction on the *Cora* dataset.

%Training Edges	15%	25%	35%	45%	55%	65%	75%	85%	95%
<b>MMB</b>	54.6	57.9	57.3	61.6	66.2	68.4	73.6	76.0	80.3
<b>DeepWalk</b>	55.2	66.0	70.0	75.7	81.3	83.3	87.6	88.9	88.0
<b>LINE</b>	53.7	60.4	66.5	73.9	78.5	83.8	87.5	87.7	87.6
<b>node2vec</b>	57.1	63.6	69.9	76.2	84.3	87.3	88.4	89.2	89.2
<b>Naive combination</b>	78.7	82.1	84.7	88.7	88.7	91.8	92.1	92.0	92.7
<b>TADW</b>	87.0	89.5	91.8	90.8	91.1	92.6	93.5	91.9	91.7
<b>CENE</b>	86.2	84.6	89.8	91.2	92.3	91.8	93.2	92.9	93.2
<b>CANE</b>	90.0	91.2	92.0	93.0	94.2	94.6	95.4	95.7	96.3
<b>WANE-<i>ww</i></b>	92.3	94.1	95.7	96.7	97.5	97.5	97.7	98.2	98.7
<b>DMTE</b>	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>GANE-OT</b>	93.4	96.2	97.0	97.7	97.9	98.0	98.2	98.6	98.8
<b>GANE-AP</b>	<b>93.8</b>	<b>96.4</b>	<b>97.3</b>	<b>97.9</b>	<b>98.1</b>	<b>98.2</b>	<b>98.4</b>	<b>98.7</b>	<b>98.9</b>

Table 2: AUC scores for link prediction on the *Hept* dataset.

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### 31 **3 Negative sampling approximation**

32 In this section we provide a quick justification for the negative sampling approximation. To this end,  
 33 we first briefly review *noise contrastive estimation* (NCE) and how it connects to maximal likelihood  
 34 estimation, then we establish the link to negative sampling. Interested readers are referred to Ruder  
 35 (2016) for a more thorough discussion on this topic.

36 **Noise contrastive estimation.** NCE seeks to learn the parameters of a likelihood model  $p_{\Theta}(u|v)$   
 37 by optimizing the following discriminative objective:

$$J(\Theta) = \sum_{u_i \sim p_d} [\log p_{\Theta}(y = 1|u_i, v) - K \mathbb{E}_{\tilde{u}' \sim p_n} [\log p_{\Theta}(y = 0|\tilde{u}', v)]], \quad (1)$$

38 where  $y$  is the label of whether  $u$  comes from the data distribution  $p_d$  or the tractable noise distribu-  
 39 tion  $p_n$ , and  $v$  is the context. Using the Monte Carlo estimator for the second term gives us

$$\hat{J}(\Theta) = \sum_{u_i \sim p_d} [\log p_{\Theta}(y = 1|u_i, v) - \sum_{k=1}^K [\log p_{\Theta}(y = 0|\tilde{u}_k, v)]], \tilde{u}_k \stackrel{iid}{\sim} p_n. \quad (2)$$

40 Since the goal of  $J(\Theta)$  is to predict the label of a sample from a mixture distribution with  $1/(K+1)$   
 41 from  $p_d$  and  $K/(K+1)$  from  $p_n$ , plugging the model likelihood and noise likelihood into the label  
 42 likelihood gives us

$$p_{\Theta}(y = 1; u, v) = \frac{p_{\Theta}(u|v)}{p_{\Theta}(u|v) + K p_n(u|v)}, p_{\Theta}(y = 0; u, v) = \frac{K p_n(u|v)}{p_{\Theta}(u|v) + K p_n(u|v)}. \quad (3)$$

43 Recall  $p_{\Theta}(u|v)$  takes the following softmax form

$$p_{\Theta}(u|v) = \frac{\exp(\langle u, v \rangle)}{Z_v(\Theta)}, \quad Z_v(\Theta) = \sum_{u'} \exp(\langle u', v \rangle). \quad (4)$$

44 NCE treats  $Z_v$  as an learnable parameter and optimized along with  $\Theta$ . One key observation is that,  
45 in practice, one can safely clamp  $Z_v$  to 1, and the NCE learned model ( $p_{\hat{\Theta}}$ ) will *self-normalize*  
46 in the sense that  $Z_v(\hat{\Theta}) \approx 1$ . As such, one can simply plug  $p_{\Theta}(u|v) = \exp(\langle u, v \rangle)$  into the above  
47 objective. Another key result is that, as  $K \rightarrow \infty$ , the gradient of NCE objective recovers the gradient  
48 of softmax objective  $\log p_{\Theta}(u|v)$  (Dyer, 2014).

49 **Negative sampling as NCE.** If we set  $K = \#(\mathcal{V})$  and let  $p_n(u|v)$  be the uniform distribution on  
50  $\mathcal{V}$ , we have

$$p_{\Theta}(y = 1|u, v) = \sigma(\langle u, v \rangle), \quad (5)$$

51 where  $\sigma(z)$  is the sigmoid function. Plugging this back to the  $\hat{J}(\Theta)$  covers the negative sampling  
52 objective Eqn (6) used in the paper. Combined with the discussion above, we know Eqn (6) provides  
53 a valid approximation to the log-likelihood in terms of the gradient directions, when  $K$  is sufficiently  
54 large. In this study, we use  $K = 1$  negative sample for computational efficiency. Using more  
55 samples did not significantly improve our results (data not shown).

## 56 4 Experiment Setup

57 We use the same codebase from CANE (Tu et al., 2017)<sup>1</sup>. The implementation is based on Ten-  
58 sorFlow, all experiments are executed on a single NVIDIA TITAN X GPU. We set embedding  
59 dimension to  $d = 100$  for all our experiments. To conduct a fair comparison with the baseline  
60 models, we follow the experiment setup from Shen et al. (2018). For all experiments, we set word  
61 embedding dimension as 100 trained from scratch. We train the model with Adam optimizer and set  
62 learning rate  $1e - 3$ . For GANE-AP model, we use best filter size  $1 \times 21 \times 1$  for convolution from  
63 our ablation study.

## 64 5 Ablation study setup

65 To test how the  $n$ -gram length affect our GANE-AP model performance, we re-run our model with  
66 different choices of  $n$ -gram length, namely, the window size in convolutional layer. Each experiment  
67 is repeated for 10 times and we report the averaged results to eliminate statistical fluctuations.

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