

GraphMAE: Self-Supervised Masked Graph Autoencoders

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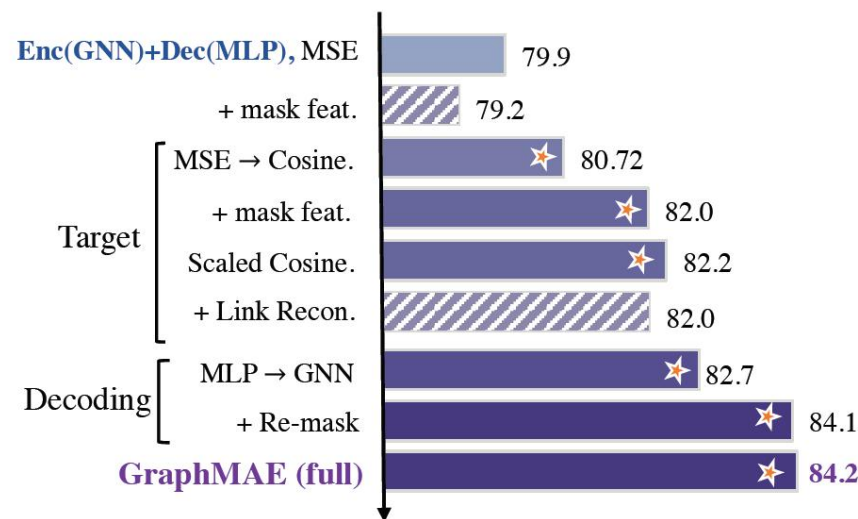
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Introduction



Methods	Feat. Loss	AE	No Struct.	Mask Feat.	GNN Decoder	Re-mask Dec.	Space
VGAE [20]	n/a	✓	-	-	-	-	$O(N^2)$
ARVGA [26]	n/a	✓	-	-	-	-	$O(N^2)$
MGAE [42]	MSE	✓	-	✓	-	-	$O(N)$
GALA [27]	MSE	✓	✓	-	✓	-	$O(N)$
GATE [31]	MSE	✓	-	-	✓	-	$O(N)$
AttrMask [16]	CE	✓	✓	✓	-	-	$O(N)$
GPT-GNN [17]	MSE	-	-	✓	-	-	$O(N)$
AGE [3]	n/a	✓	-	-	-	-	$O(N^2)$
NodeProp [18]	MSE	✓	✓	✓	-	-	$O(N)$
GraphMAE	SCE	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	$O(N)$

(a) Technical comparison between generative SSL methods.



(b) The effect of GraphMAE designs on the performance on Cora dataset.

Figure 1: Comparison between generative SSL methods and the effect of GraphMAE design. *AE*: autoencoder methods; *No Struct.*: no structure reconstruction objective; *Mask Feat.*: use masking to corrupt input features; *GNN Decoder*: use GNN as the decoder; *Re-mask Dec.*: re-mask encoder output before fed into decoder; *Space*: run-time memory consumption; *MSE*: Mean Squared Error; *SCE*: Scaled Cosine Error; *CE*: Cross-Entropy Error; *SCE* represents our proposed Scaled Cosine Error.

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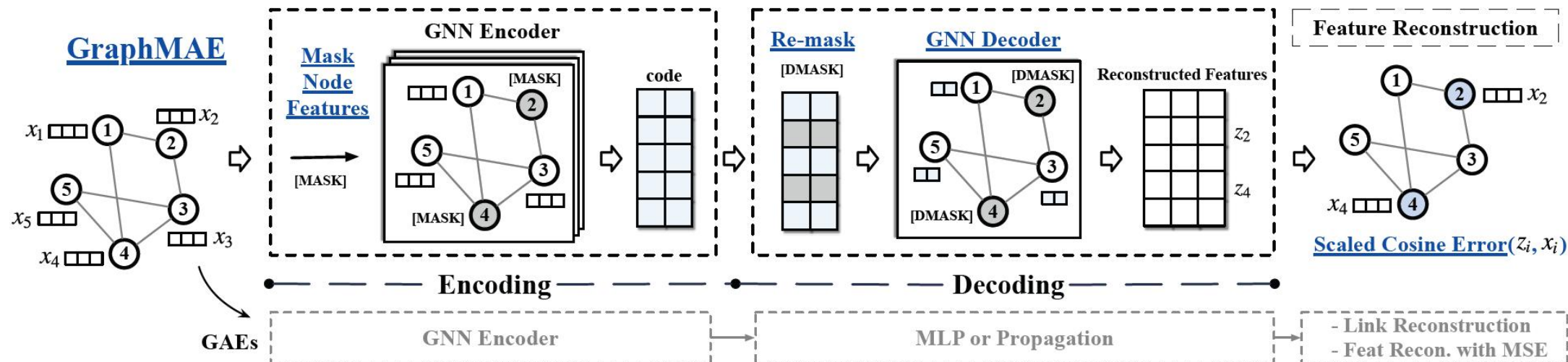


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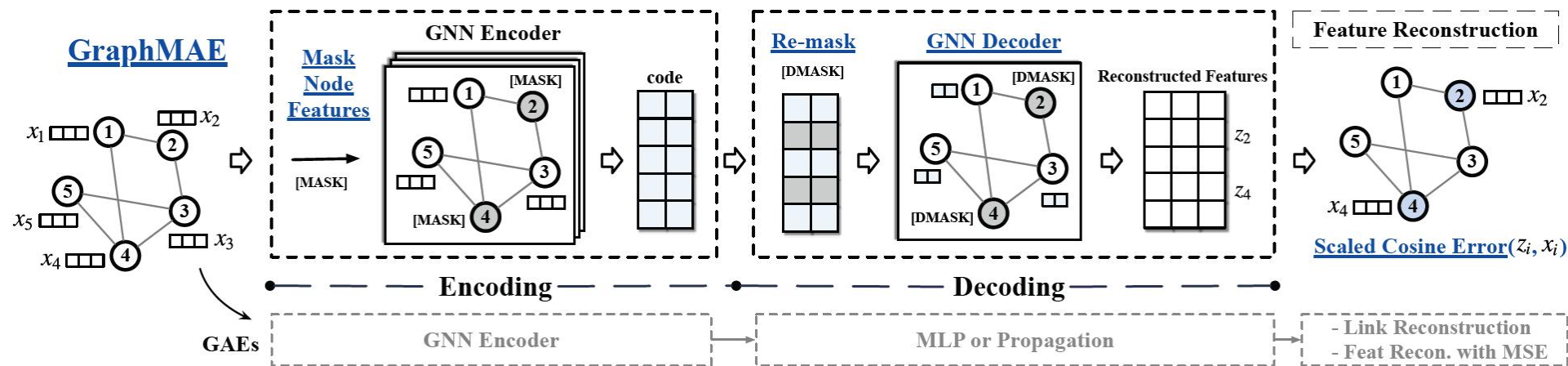


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$$\tilde{\mathbf{x}}_i = \begin{cases} \mathbf{x}_{[M]} & v_i \in \tilde{\mathcal{V}} \\ \mathbf{x}_i & v_i \notin \tilde{\mathcal{V}} \end{cases}$$

$$H = f_E(\mathbf{A}, \mathbf{X}), \mathcal{G}' = f_D(\mathbf{A}, H), \quad (1)$$

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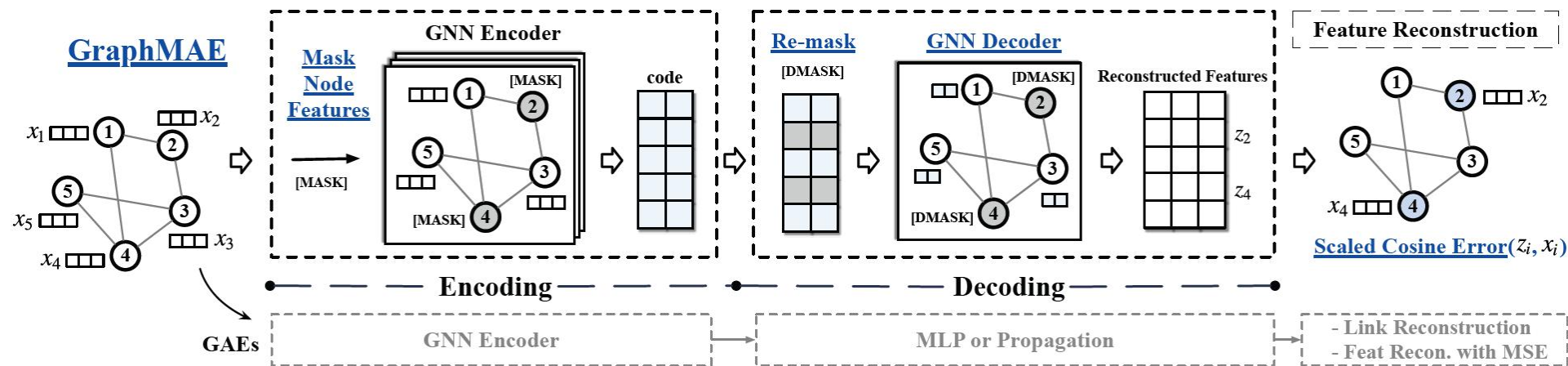


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$$\tilde{h}_i = \begin{cases} h_{[M]} & v_i \in \tilde{\mathcal{V}} \\ h_i & v_i \notin \tilde{\mathcal{V}} \end{cases}$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{SCE}} = \frac{1}{|\tilde{\mathcal{V}}|} \sum_{v_i \in \tilde{\mathcal{V}}} \left(1 - \frac{x_i^T z_i}{\|x_i\| \cdot \|z_i\|}\right)^\gamma, \quad \gamma \geq 1, \quad (2)$$

$$Z = f_D(A, \tilde{H})$$

Experiments

Table 1: Experiment results in unsupervised representation learning for node classification. We report the Micro-F1 (%) score for PPI and accuracy (%) for the other datasets.

	Dataset	Cora	CiteSeer	PubMed	Ogbn-arxiv	PPI	Reddit
Supervised	GCN	81.5	70.3	79.0	71.74±0.29	75.7±0.1	95.3±0.1
	GAT	83.0±0.7	72.5±0.7	79.0±0.3	72.10±0.13	97.30±0.20	96.0±0.1
Self-supervised	GAE	71.5±0.4	65.8±0.4	72.1±0.5	-	-	-
	GPT-GNN	80.1±1.0	68.4±1.6	76.3±0.8	-	-	-
	GATE	83.2±0.6	71.8±0.8	80.9±0.3	-	-	-
	DGI	82.3±0.6	71.8±0.7	76.8±0.6	70.34±0.16	63.80±0.20	94.0±0.10
	MVGRL	83.5±0.4	73.3±0.5	80.1±0.7	-	-	-
	GRACE ¹	81.9±0.4	71.2±0.5	80.6±0.4	71.51±0.11	69.71±0.17	94.72±0.04
	BGRL ¹	82.7±0.6	71.1±0.8	79.6±0.5	<u>71.64±0.12</u>	<u>73.63±0.16</u>	94.22±0.03
	InfoGCL	83.5±0.3	73.5±0.4	79.1±0.2	-	-	-
	CCA-SSG ¹	<u>84.0±0.4</u>	73.1±0.3	<u>81.0±0.4</u>	71.24±0.20	73.34±0.17	<u>95.07±0.02</u>
	GraphMAE	84.2±0.4	<u>73.4±0.4</u>	81.1±0.4	71.75±0.17	74.50±0.29	96.01±0.08

The results not reported are due to unavailable code or out-of-memory.

¹ Results are from reproducing using authors' official code, as they did not report the results in part of datasets. The result of PPI is a bit different from what the authors' reported. This is because we train the linear classifier until convergence, rather than for a small fixed number of epochs during evaluation, using the official code.

Experiments

Table 2: Experiment results in unsupervised representation learning for graph classification. We report accuracy (%) for all datasets.

	Dataset	IMDB-B	IMDB-M	PROTEINS	COLLAB	MUTAG	REDDIT-B	NCI1
Supervised	GIN	75.1±5.1	52.3±2.8	76.2±2.8	80.2±1.9	89.4±5.6	92.4±2.5	82.7±1.7
	DiffPool	72.6±3.9	-	75.1±3.5	78.9±2.3	85.0±10.3	92.1±2.6	-
Graph Kernels	WL	72.30±3.44	46.95±0.46	72.92±0.56	-	80.72±3.00	68.82±0.41	80.31±0.46
	DGK	66.96±0.56	44.55±0.52	73.30±0.82	-	87.44±2.72	78.04±0.39	80.31±0.46
Self-supervised	graph2vec	71.10±0.54	50.44±0.87	73.30±2.05	-	83.15±9.25	75.78±1.03	73.22±1.81
	Infograph	73.03±0.87	49.69±0.53	74.44±0.31	70.65±1.13	89.01±1.13	82.50±1.42	76.20±1.06
	GraphCL	71.14±0.44	48.58±0.67	74.39±0.45	71.36±1.15	86.80±1.34	<u>89.53±0.84</u>	77.87±0.41
	JOAO	70.21±3.08	49.20±0.77	<u>74.55±0.41</u>	69.50±0.36	87.35±1.02	85.29±1.35	78.07±0.47
	GCC	72.0	49.4	-	78.9	-	89.8	-
	MVGRL	74.20±0.70	51.20±0.50	-	-	<u>89.70±1.10</u>	84.50±0.60	-
	InfoGCL	<u>75.10±0.90</u>	<u>51.40±0.80</u>	-	<u>80.00±1.30</u>	91.20±1.30	-	<u>80.20±0.60</u>
	GraphMAE	75.52±0.66	51.63±0.52	75.30±0.39	80.32±0.46	88.19±1.26	88.01±0.19	80.40±0.30

The reported results of baselines are from previous papers if available.

Experiments

Table 3: Experiment results in transfer learning on molecular property prediction benchmarks. The model is first pre-trained on ZINC15 and then finetuned on the following datasets. We report ROC-AUC scores (%).

	BBBP	Tox21	ToxCast	SIDER	ClinTox	MUV	HIV	BACE	Avg.
No-pretrain	65.5±1.8	74.3±0.5	63.3±1.5	57.2±0.7	58.2±2.8	71.7±2.3	75.4±1.5	70.0±2.5	67.0
ContextPred	64.3±2.8	<u>75.7±0.7</u>	63.9±0.6	60.9±0.6	65.9±3.8	75.8±1.7	77.3±1.0	79.6±1.2	70.4
AttrMasking	64.3±2.8	76.7±0.4	64.2±0.5	<u>61.0±0.7</u>	71.8±4.1	74.7±1.4	77.2±1.1	79.3±1.6	71.1
Infomax	68.8 ±0.8	75.3 ±0.5	62.7 ±0.4	58.4 ±0.8	69.9±3.0	75.3 ±2.5	76.0 ±0.7	75.9 ±1.6	70.3
GraphCL	69.7±0.7	73.9±0.7	62.4±0.6	60.5±0.9	76.0±2.7	69.8±2.7	78.5±1.2	75.4±1.4	70.8
JOAO	70.2±1.0	75.0±0.3	62.9±0.5	60.0±0.8	<u>81.3±2.5</u>	71.7±1.4	76.7±1.2	77.3±0.5	71.9
GraphLoG	72.5±0.8	<u>75.7±0.5</u>	63.5±0.7	61.2±1.1	76.7±3.3	<u>76.0±1.1</u>	<u>77.8±0.8</u>	83.5±1.2	<u>73.4</u>
GraphMAE	<u>72.0±0.6</u>	75.5±0.6	<u>64.1±0.3</u>	60.3±1.1	82.3±1.2	76.3±2.4	77.2±1.0	<u>83.1±0.9</u>	73.8

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Table 4: Ablation studies of the decoder type, re-mask and reconstruction criterion on node- and graph-level datasets.

Dataset		Node-Level			Graph-Level	
		Cora	PubMed	Arxiv	MUTAG	IMDB-B
COMP.	GraphMAE	84.2	81.1	71.75	88.19	75.52
	w/o mask	79.7	77.9	70.97	82.58	74.42
	w/o re-mask	82.7	80.0	71.61	86.29	74.42
	w/ MSE	79.1	73.1	67.44	86.30	74.04
Decoder	MLP	82.2	80.4	71.54	87.16	73.94
	GCN	81.3	79.1	71.59	87.78	74.54
	GIN	81.8	80.2	71.41	88.19	75.52
	GAT	84.2	81.1	71.75	86.27	74.04

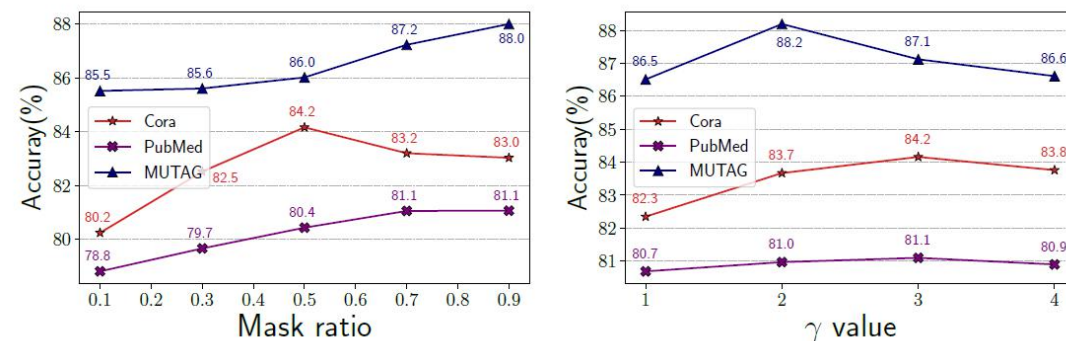


Figure 3: Ablation studies of mask ratio and scaling factor.



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