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**Fuzzy Multilevel Graph Embedding for Recognition, Indexing and Retrieval of Graphic Document Images** 

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## Problematic

 Lack of efficient computational tools for graph based structural pattern recognition

# Proposed solution

 Transform graphs into numeric feature vectors and exploit computational strengths of state of the art statistical pattern recognition

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- Fuzzy Multilevel Graph Embedding (FMGE)
- Automatic indexing of graph repositories for graph retrieval and subgraph spotting
- Conclusions and future research challenges

- Structural and statistical pattern recognition
- Graph embedding
- State of the art on explicit graph embedding
- Limitations of existing methods
- Fuzzy Multilevel Graph Embedding (FMGE)
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	Pattern Recognition	
	Structural	Statistical
Data structure	symbolic data structure	numeric feature vector
Representational strength	Yes	No
Fixed dimensionality	No	Yes
Sensitivity to noise	Yes	No
Efficient computational tools	No	Yes

Graph matching to graph embedding

- Graph matching and graph isomorphism
- Graph edit distance
- Graph embedding

# Graph matching and graph isomorphism

[Messmer, 1995] [Sonbaty and Ismail, 1998]

- Graph edit distance
- Graph embedding



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[Messmer, 1995] [Sonbaty and Ismail, 1998]

# Graph edit distance

[Bunke and Shearer, 1998] [Neuhaus and Bunke, 2006]

# Graph embedding



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Graph embedding (GEM)



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Graph embedding (GEM)

### **Structutal PR**

Expressive, convenient, powerful but computationally expensive representations

**Graph embedding** 

## **Statistical PR**

Mathematically sound, mature, less expensive and computationally efficient models

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## **Explicit GEM**

- embeds each input graph into a numeric feature vector
- provides more useful methods of GEM for PR
- can be employed in a standard dot product for defining an implicit graph embedding function

## Implicit GEM

- computes scalar product of two graphs in an implicitly existing vector space, by using graph kernels
- does not permit all the operations that could be defined on vector spaces

- Graph probing based methods
- Spectral based graph embedding
- Dissimilarity based graph embedding

# Graph probing based methods

[Wiener, 1947] [Papadopoulos et al., 1999] [Gibert et al., 2011] [Sidere, 2012]

- Spectral based graph embedding
- Dissimilarity based graph embedding



number of nodes = 6 number of edges = 5 etc.

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# Graph probing based methods

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# Spectral based graph embedding

[Harchaoui, 2007] [Luo et al., 2003] [Robleskelly and Hancock, 2007]

Dissimilarity based graph embedding





Spectral graph theory employing the adjacency and Laplacien matrices

Eigen values and Eigen vectors PCA, ICA, MDS

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# Spectral based graph embedding

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# Dissimilarity based graph embedding

[Pekalska et al., 2005] [Ferrer et al., 2008] [Riesen, 2010] [Bunke et al., 2011]



- Not many methods for both directed and undirected attributed graphs
- No method explicitly addresses noise sensitivity of graphs
- Expensive deployment to other application domains
- Time complexity
- Loss of topological information
- Loss of matching between nodes
- No graph embedding based solution to answer high level semantic problems for graphs

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- Fuzzy Multilevel Graph Embedding (FMGE)
- Graph probing based explicit graph embedding method

$$\phi: G \longrightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$$
$$AG \longmapsto \phi(AG) = (f_1, f_2, ..., f_n)$$

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Multilevel analysis of graph

Graph Level	Structural Level	Elementary Level
Information	Information	Information
[macro details]	[intermediate details]	[micro details]

✓ Graph order	✓ Node degree	✓ Node attributes
✓ Graph size	✓ Homogeneity of subgr	raplas End geapthributes

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- Numeric feature vector embeds a graph, encoding:
  - ✓ Numeric information by <u>fuzzy</u> histograms
  - ✓ Symbolic information by crisp histograms

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- Input : Collection of attributed graphs
- **Output :** Equal-size numeric feature vector for each input graph

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Information	Information	Information
[macro details]	[intermediate details]	[micro details]

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Fuzzy histogram of node	Fuzzy histograms of numeric	Crisp histograms of symbolic	
degrees	resemblance attributes	resemblance attributes	• • •

Graph order Graph size

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Fuzzy histograms of	Crisp histograms of	Fuzzy histograms of	Crisp histograms of symbolic
numeric node attributes	symbolic node attributes	numeric edge attributes	edge attributes

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- Node-resemblance for an edge
- Edge-resemblance for a node

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- Node-resemblance for an edge
- Edge-resemblance for a node

numeric resemblance =  $\frac{\min(|a_1|, |a_2|)}{\max(|a_1|, |a_2|)}$ 



symbolic resemblance =  $\begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } b_1 = b_2 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$ 

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- Unsupervised learning phase
- Graph embedding phase

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- First fuzzy interval (-∞, -∞, ..., ...)
- Last fuzzy interval (..., ..., ∞, ∞)

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### Graph embedding phase of FMGE



Numeric information embedded by fuzzy histograms



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## FSMFV: 4,3,2,2,1,3,0,0,1,1,0,2,1,2,0,0,3,0,2,0,0,2,1

- Node degree: [-∞,-∞,1,2] and [1,2,∞,∞]
- Attributes {L,RL}: [-∞,-∞,0.5,1], [0.5,1,1.5,2] and [1.5,2, ∞,∞]
- Image: [-∞,-∞,0,1] and [0,1, ∞,∞]
- Resemblance attributes: [-∞,-∞,0.25,0.5], [0.25,0.5,0.75,1.0] and [0.75,1.0, ∞,∞,]
- The symbolic edge attribute Angle has two possible labels

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Experimental	evaluation	of FMGE
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Dataset	Size		Classes	A	vg	Μ	ax	Att	${f ributes^a}$	
	Train	Valid	Test		V	E	V	E	V	Е
Letter LOW	750	750	750	15	4.7	3.1	8	6	2;0	0;0
Letter MED	750	750	750	15	4.7	3.2	9	7	2;0	0;0
Letter HIGH	750	750	750	15	4.7	4.5	9	9	2;0	0;0
GREC	836	836	1628	22	11.5	12.2	25	30	2;1	1;1
Fingerprint	500	300	2000	4	5.4	4.4	26	25	2;0	1;0
Mutagenicity	500	500	1500	2	30.3	30.8	417	112	0;1	1;0

<sup>a</sup> Number of attributes is given as a pair "numeric;symbolic".

IAM graph database



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Dataset	Graph edit distance	Dissimilarity	FMGE	FMGE
	based reference system	based embedding	resemblance:AVG	resemblance:STD
		Bunke et al. [Bunke and Riesen, 2011b]		
	[k-NN classifier]	[SVM classifier]	[1-NN classifier]	[1-NN classifier]
Letter LOW	99.3	99.3	97.1	97.1
Letter MED	94.4	94.9	737	
Letter HIGH	89.1	92.9	60.5	619.55
GREC	82.2	92.4	977.55	97.5
Fingerprint	79.1		74.9	73.5
Mutagenicity	66.9		68.6	68.6

- Supervised machine learning framework for experimentation, employing the training, validation and test sets
- 1-NN classifier with Euclidean distance.
- <u>Equal-spaced crisp discretization</u> and the number of fuzzy intervals empirically selected on validation dataset

### **Graph clustering experimentations**

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Dataset	FMGE feature vector space			
	correctly clustered graphs (%)			
Letter LOW	89			
Letter MED	60			
Letter HIGH	41			
GREC	82			
Fingerprint	57			
Mutagenicity	82			

- Merged training, validation and test sets
- K-means clustering with random non-deterministic initialization
- The measure of quality of K-means clustering w.r.t. the ground truth : ratio of correctly clustered graphs to the graphs in the dataset
- <u>Equal-frequency crisp discretization</u> for automatically selecting the best number of fuzzy intervals

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GREC, Fingerprint and Mutagenicity

 The average Silhouette width ranges between [-1, 1]. The closer it is to 1, the better the is the clustering quality.







- Unsupervised learning phase is performed off-line and is linear to:
  - ✓ Number of node and edge attributes
  - ✓ Size of graphs
- Graph embedding phase is performed on-line

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- 2D linear model symbols from GREC databases
- Learning on clean symbols and testing against noisy and deformed symbols



### Application to symbol recognition

- SESYD dataset
- Learning on clean symbols and testing against noisy symbols

			Quory	Recognition	Recognition
		Model	symbol	rate (match	rate (a
	Noise	$\mathbf{symbol}$	(onch	with	match in
		(classes)	(each class)	topmost	top-3
			classj	result)	results)
	Level-1	16	100	84%	95 %
Floor plans	Level-2	16	100	79%	90 %
	Level-3	16	100	76%	87 %
Average recognition rate			· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	80%	91%
	Level-1	21	100	69%	89%
Electronic diagrams	Level-2	21	100	66%	88%
	Level-3	21	100	61%	85%
Average recognition	65%	87%			



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- Not many methods for both directed and undirected attributed graphs
  - ✓ FMGE: Directed and undirected graphs with many numeric as well

as symbolic attributes on both nodes and edges

No method explicitly addresses noise sensitivity of graphs

✓ FMGE: Fuzzy overlapping intervals

- Expensive deployment to other application domains
  - ✓ FMGE: Unsupervised learning abilities

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- Time complexity
  - ✓ FMGE: Linear to number of attributes

Linear to size of graphs

Graph embedding performed on-line

Loss of topological information

FMGE: Multilevel information (global, topological and elementary)
Homogeneity of subgraphs in graph

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- Bag of words inspired model for graphs
- Index the graph repository by elementary subgraphs
- Explicit GEM for exploiting computational strengths of state of the art machine learning, classification and clustering tools

- Unsupervised indexing phase
- Graph retrieval and subgraph spotting phase

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- SESYD dataset
- Corresponding graph dataset is made publically available

http://www.rfai.li.univ-tours.fr/PagesPerso/mmluqman/public/SESYD\_graphs.zip

	Image		Attributed graph	
	Backgrounds	8	Avg. order	212
Electronic diagrams	Models	21	Avg. size	363
Electronic diagrams	Symbols	9600	Node attribs.	4
	18210.		Edge attribs.	2
	Documents	800	Graphs	800
	Queries	1000	Graphs	
	Backgrounds	2	Avg. order	359
Architectural floor plans	Models	16	Avg. size	733
	Symbols	4216	Node attribs.	4
			Edge attribs.	2
	Documents	-200	Graphs	200
	Queries	1000	Graphs	=1000









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Electronic diagrams: (517K 2-node subgraphs) (455 classes) (~17h)

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### **Experimental evaluation**

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Architectural diagrams: (306K 2-node subgraphs) (211 classes)

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- Loss of matching between nodes
  - ✓ Score function is a first step forward
- No graph embedding based solution to answer high level semantic problems for graphs
  - FMGE based framework for automatic indexing of graph repositories

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- Last two decade's research on structural pattern recognition can access state of the art machine learning tools
- An impossible operation in original graph space turns into a realizable operation with an acceptable accuracy
- Application to domains where the use of graphs is mandatory for representing rich structural and topological information and a computational efficient solution is required
- Feature vector not capable of preserving the matching between nodes of a pair of graphs



- Unsupervised and automatic indexing of graph repositories
- Domain independent framework
- Incorporating learning abilities to structural representations
- Ease of query by example (QBE)
- Granularity of focused retrieval

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## Ongoing and short term

- Dimensionality reduction
- Feature selection
- More topological information

### Medium term

- Detection of outliers for cleaning learning set
- Multi-resolution index using cliques of higher order (≥3)

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## Long term

Surjective mapping of nodes of two graphs

## List of publications

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Pattern Recognition (under review, submitted December 2011)	1
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