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# Matching of Matching-Graphs

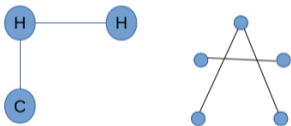
## A Novel Approach for Graph Classification

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# Graphs and Graph Matching

- A Graph consists of a set of nodes and a set of edges. Both of them can contain additional attributes.



- Graphs are a versatile alternative to feature vectors
- Various graph matching procedures have been proposed over the years
  - Graph Kernels
  - Spectral Methods
  - Graph Edit Distance
  - Graph Convolutional Neural Networks

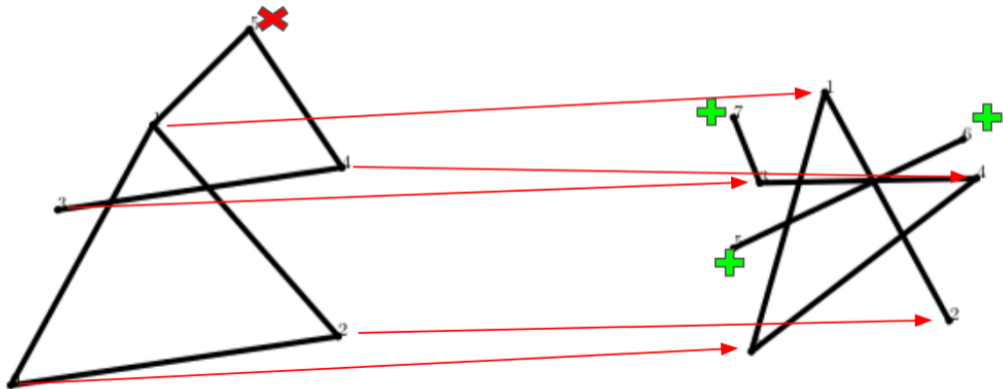
# Graph Edit Distance

## Definition

- Given two graphs  $g_1$  and  $g_2$ , the basic idea of graph edit distance is to transform  $g_1$  into  $g_2$  using some *edit operations*
- Default set of edit operations
  - Insertion: A node is inserted. Denoted as  $(\varepsilon \rightarrow v)$ , where  $v$  is the inserted node.
  - Deletion: A node is deleted. Denoted as  $(u \rightarrow \varepsilon)$ , where  $u$  is the deleted node.
  - Substitution: A node is substituted with another node. Denoted as  $(u \rightarrow v)$ , where  $u$  is a node of  $g_1$  and  $v$  a node of  $g_2$
  - Similarly for edge edit operations

# Graph Edit Distance

## Example



The corresponding edit path is  $= \{0 \rightarrow 0, 1 \rightarrow 1, 2 \rightarrow 2, 3 \rightarrow 3, 4 \rightarrow 4, 5 \rightarrow \varepsilon, \varepsilon \rightarrow 5, \varepsilon \rightarrow 6, \varepsilon \rightarrow 7\}$

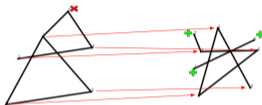
# Matching-Graphs

## Idea

- The general idea is to build a small set of graphs, that represent a certain class.
- This is done by formalizing the information of a given edit path between two graphs  $g_i$  and  $g_j$  in a new data structure, called the **matching-graph**  $m_{g_i \times g_j}$ .
- For each edit path  $\lambda(g_i, g_j)$ , two matching-graphs  $m_{g_i \times g_j}$  and  $m_{g_j \times g_i}$  are eventually built (for the source and the target graph  $g_i$  and  $g_j$ , respectively)

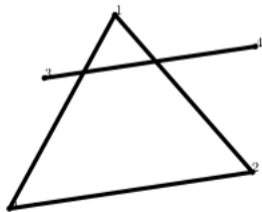
# Matching-Graphs

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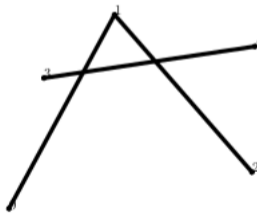


Based on the example from before:

With the edit path =  $\{0 \rightarrow 0, 1 \rightarrow 1, 2 \rightarrow 2, 3 \rightarrow 3, 4 \rightarrow 4, 5 \rightarrow \varepsilon, \varepsilon \rightarrow 5, \varepsilon \rightarrow 6, \varepsilon \rightarrow 7\}$



$m_{g_i \times g_j}$  (unpruned)



$m_{g_i \times g_j}$  (pruned)

# Method

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How can we use these matching-graphs to improve the distance calculation between two graphs?

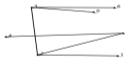


# Train

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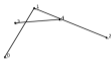


## Class E

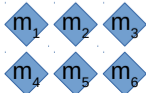


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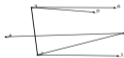
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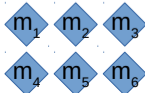
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## Class E



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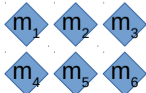


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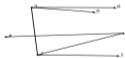
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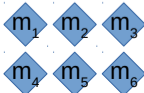
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### Class E



### Matching Graphs E



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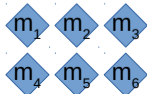


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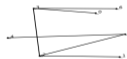
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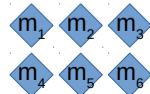
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### Matching Graphs E



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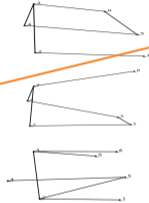
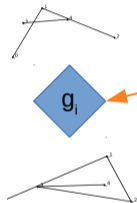
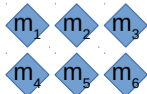
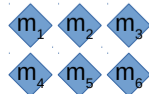
$$d_M(g, g_i) = \alpha \cdot d_{BP}(g, g_i) + (1 - \alpha) \cdot \min_{m \in \bar{M}_{\omega_i}} d_{BP}(g, m)$$

Train

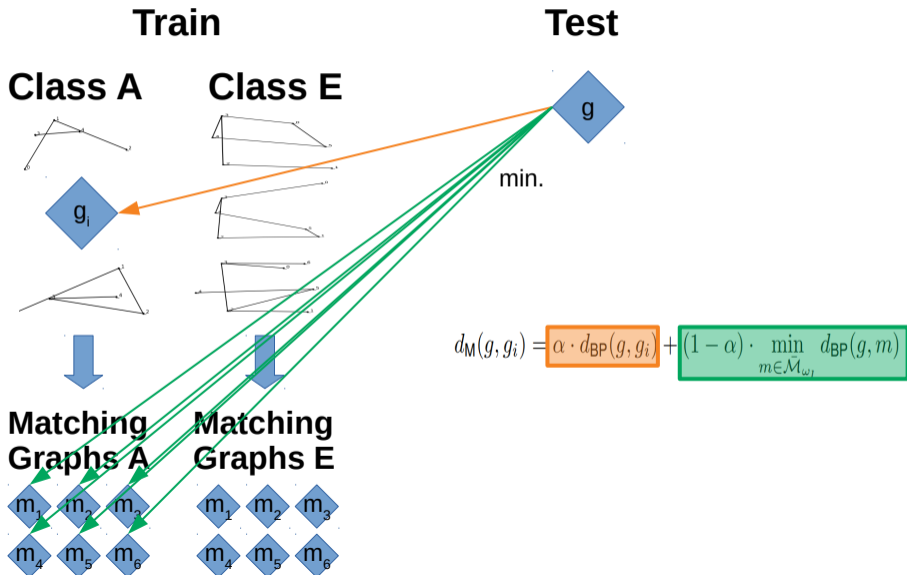
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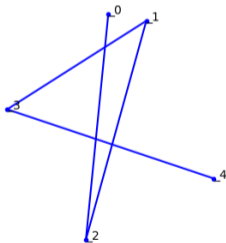
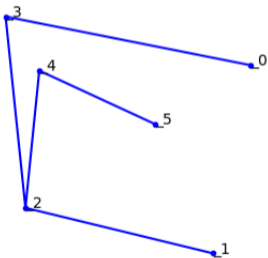
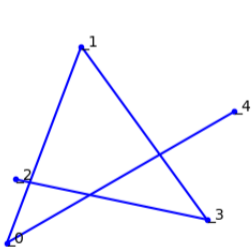
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# Datasets

## Letter

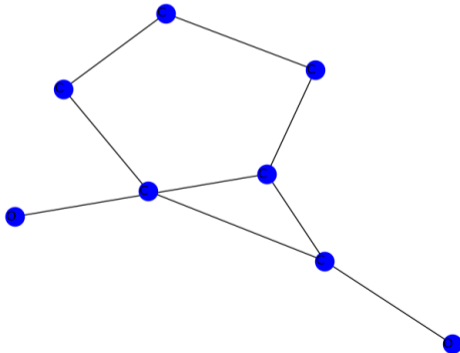
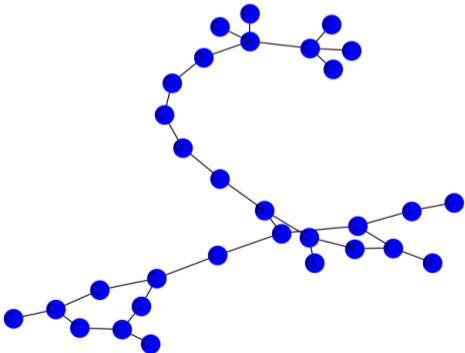
15 Classes: A,E,F,H,I,K,L,M,N,T,V,W,X,Y,Z



# Datasets

## Aids

Two classes: confirmed active and confirmed inactive

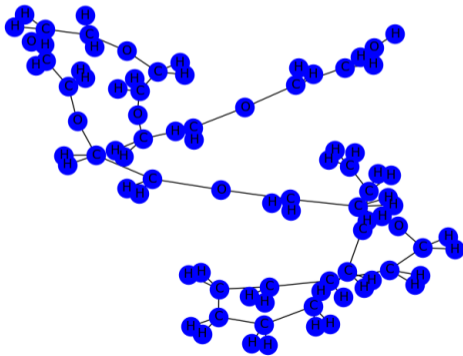
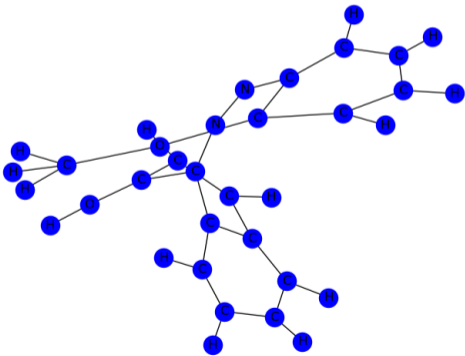




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## Mutagenicity

Two classes: mutagen and non-mutagen



# Results

Data Set	$k$ -NN( $d_{BP}$ )	$k$ -NN( $d_M$ )	
		Unpruned	Pruned
Letter	90.5	91.3	93.1 ○
AIDS	99.0	99.7 ○	99.7 ○
Mutagenicity	70.6	70.0	70.5

## Conclusion

- Proposal to use matching-graphs, that are pre-computed on training graphs, to improve graph classification.
- These matching-graphs leverage the information provided by the edit path between two graphs
- Initial experiments show promising results.

## Future work

- Other graph based matching-graph representations
- Combine the matching-graphs with different classifiers
- Quantitative analysis of the produced matching-graphs