

# Zero-shot Transfer Learning within a Heterogeneous Graph via Knowledge Transfer Networks

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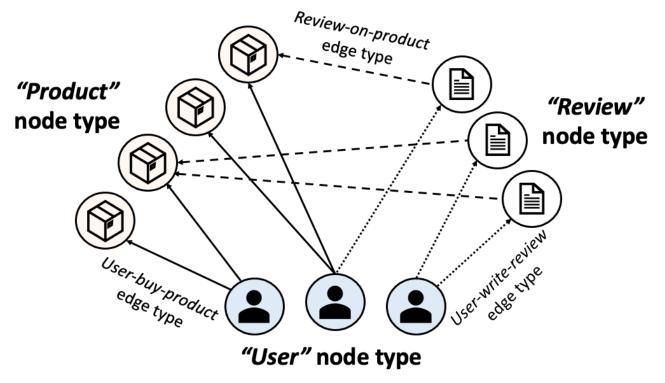
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# Heterogeneous Graphs (HG)

- Composed of multiple types of nodes and edges
- EX) e-commerce networks



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• MPNNs for homogeneous graphs:

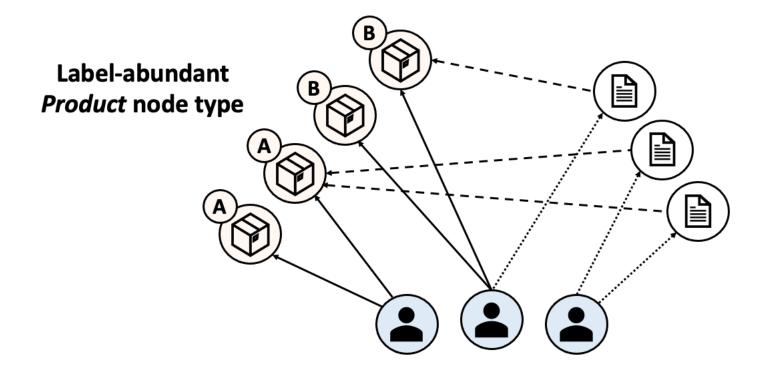
$$h_{j}^{(l)} = \alpha(W^{(l)} \cdot \left(\frac{1}{|\mathcal{E}(j)|} \sum_{e \in \mathcal{E}(j)} M^{(l)} \cdot \left(h_{i}^{(l-1)} \parallel h_{j}^{(l-1)}\right)\right)$$
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Message-passing
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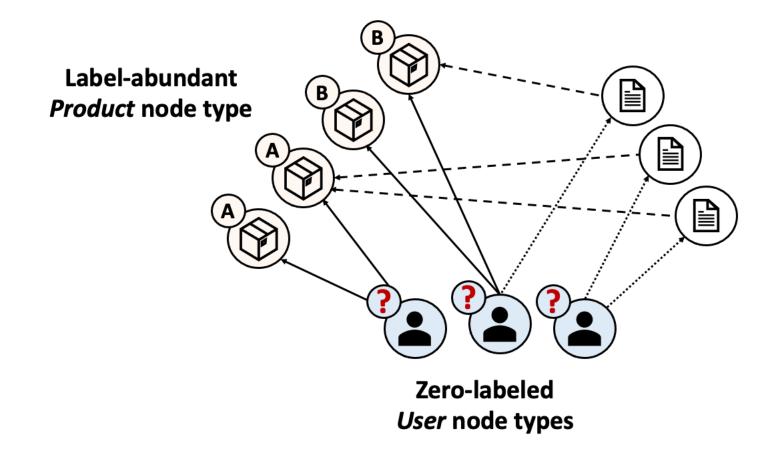
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 $h_j^{(l)} = \alpha (W^{(l)} \cdot (\frac{1}{|\mathcal{E}(j)|} \sum M^{(l)} \cdot (h_i^{(l-1)} \| h_j^{(l-1)}))$  $e \in \mathcal{E}(j)$  H-MPNNs for heterogeneous graphs:  $h_{j}^{(l)} = \alpha W_{\tau(j)}^{(l)} \cdot \left( \prod_{r \in \mathcal{R}} \frac{1}{|\mathcal{E}_{r}(j)|} \sum_{r \in \mathcal{R}} M_{\phi((i,j))}^{(l)} \cdot \left( h_{i}^{(l-1)} \parallel h_{j}^{(l-1)} \right) \right)$  $e \in \mathcal{E}_r(j)$ Node-type-specific **Edge-type-specific** transformation parameters message-passing parameters

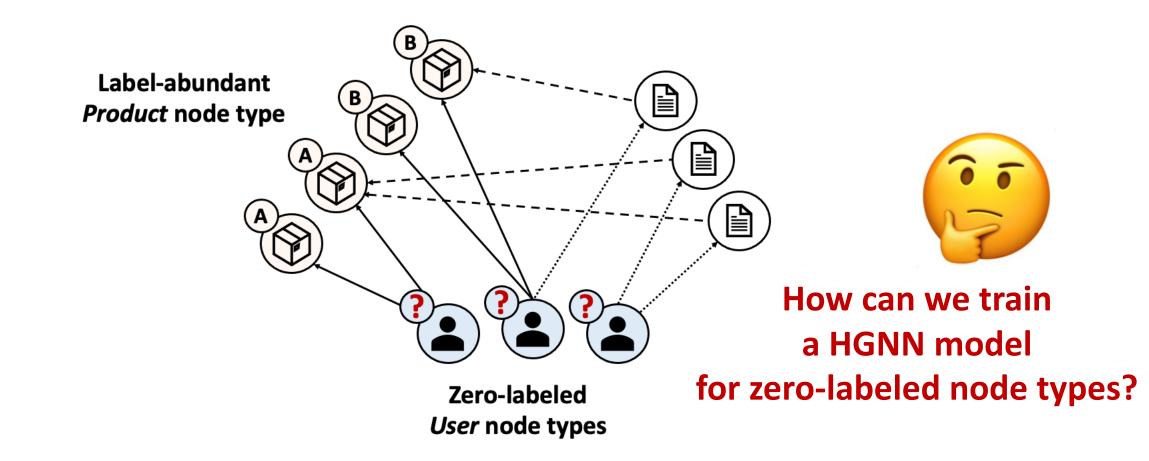
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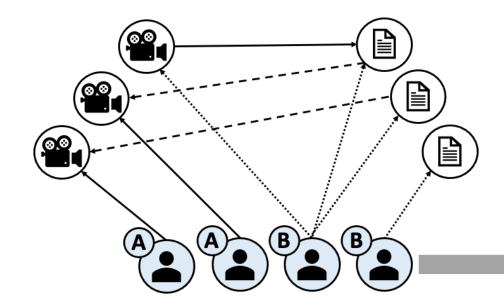
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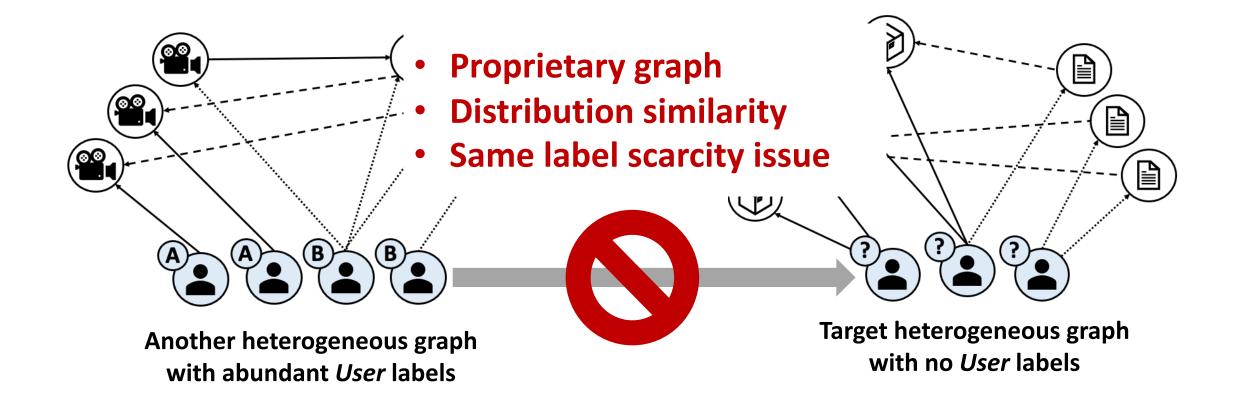
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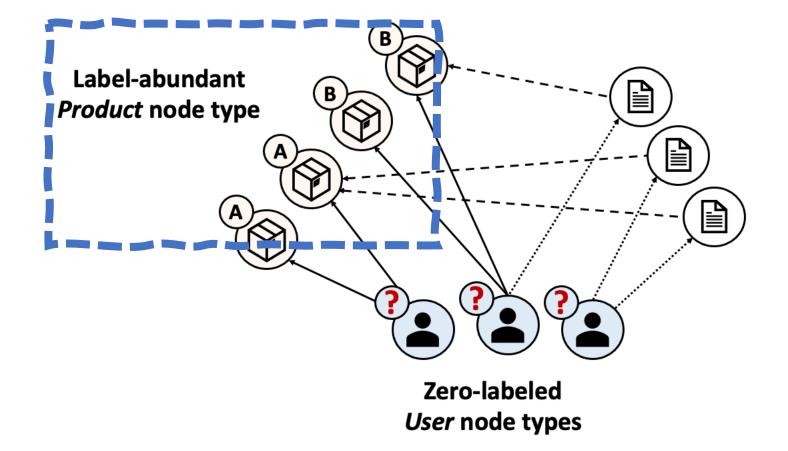
Another heterogeneous graph with abundant *User* labels

Target heterogeneous graph with no *User* labels

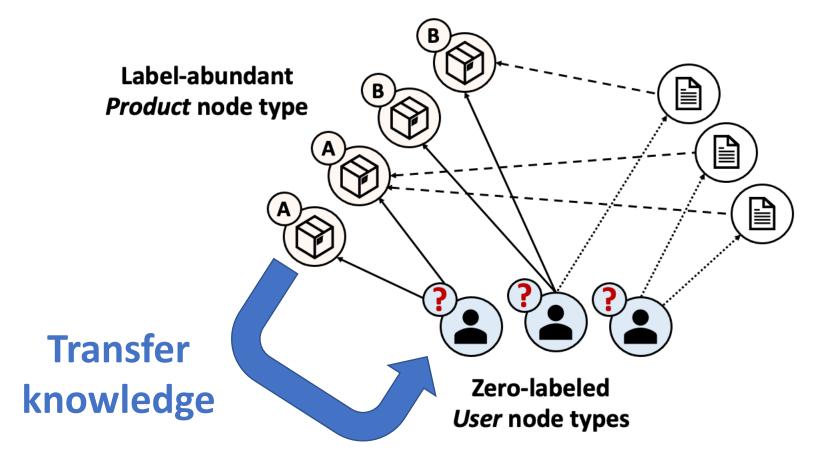
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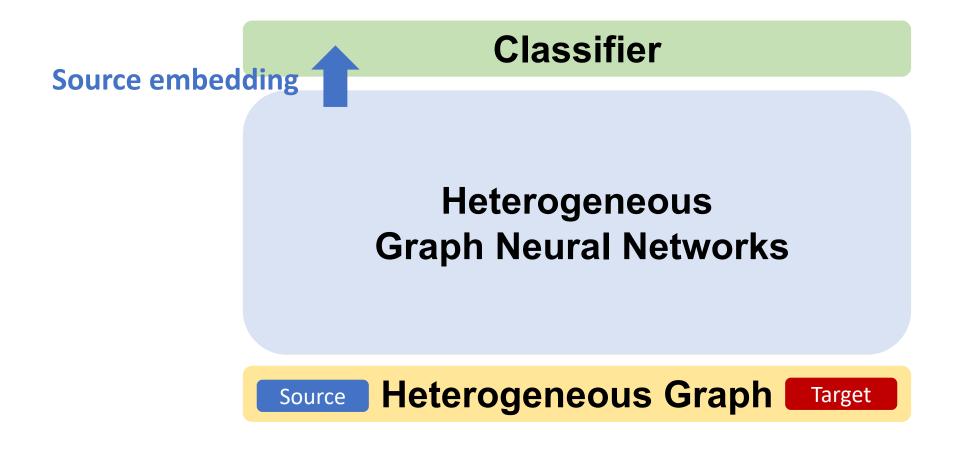
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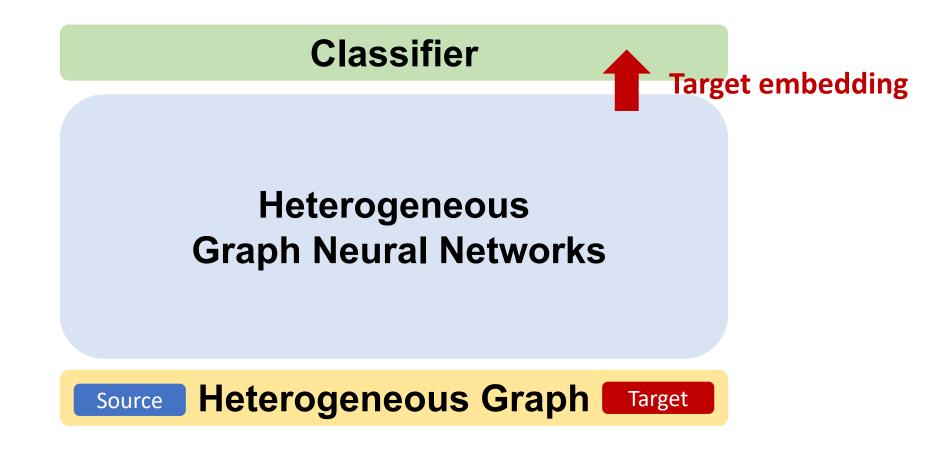
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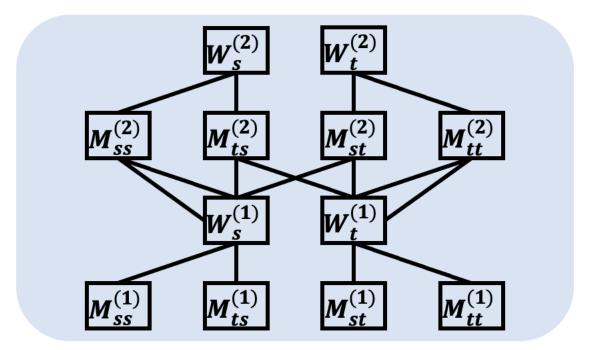


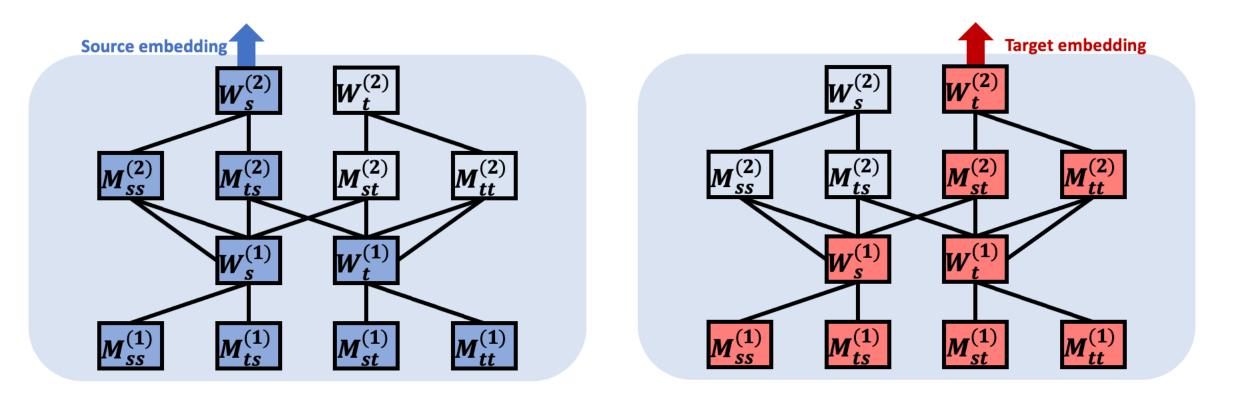
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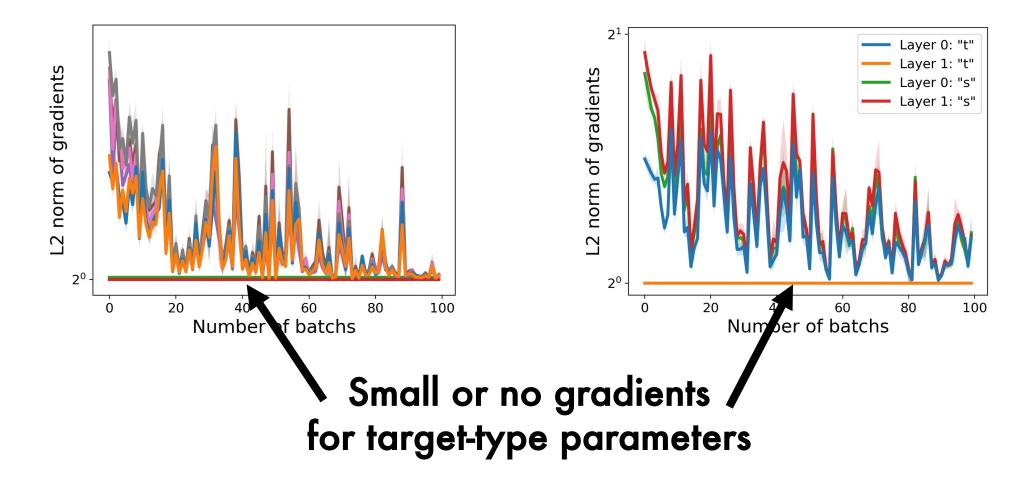


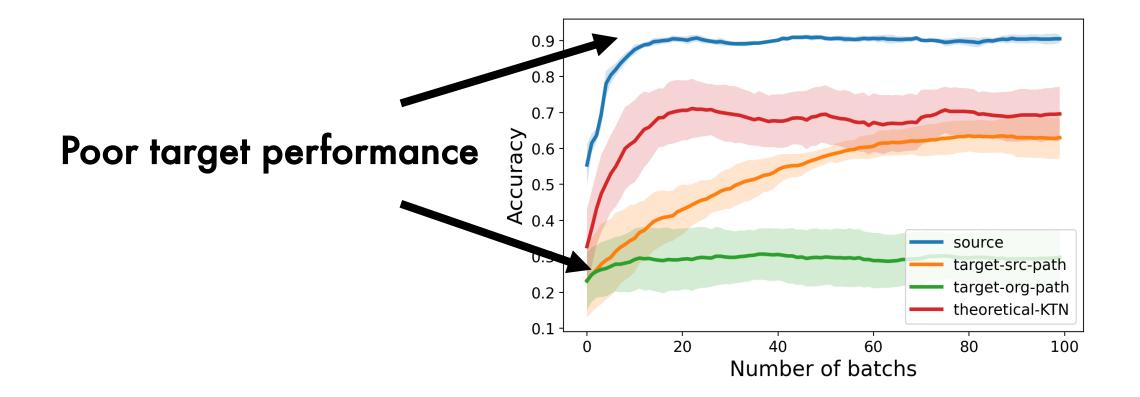
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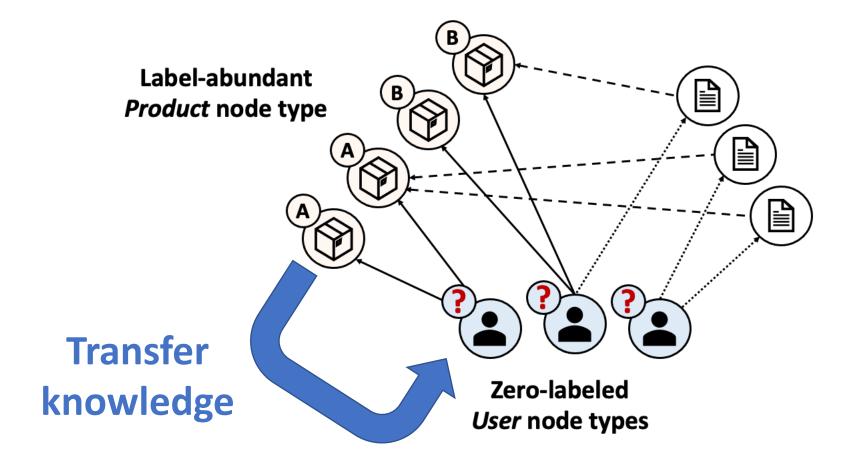




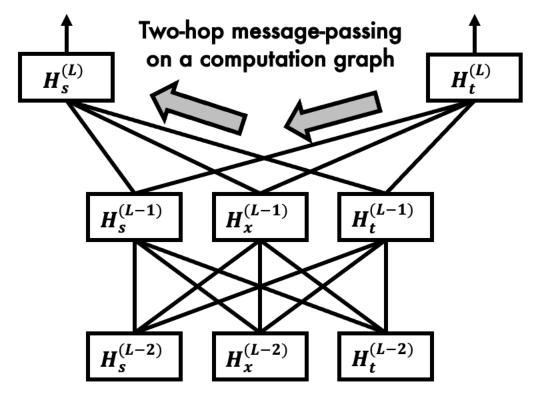




## Then.. How can we solve this problem?



#### Hints: Relationship between Feature Extractors



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#### Theoretically-induced Mapping Function between Feature Extractors

**Theorem 1.** Given a heterogeneous graph  $\mathcal{G} = \{\mathcal{V}, \mathcal{E}, \mathcal{T}, \mathcal{R}\}$ . For any layer l > 0, define the set of (l-1)-th layer HMPNN parameters as

$$\mathcal{Q}^{(l-1)} = \{ M_r^{(l-1)} : r \in \mathcal{R} \} \cup \{ W_t^{(l-1)} : t \in \mathcal{T} \}.$$
(9)

Let A be the total  $n \times n$  adjacency matrix. Then for any  $s, t \in \mathcal{T}$  there exist matrices  $A_{ts}^* = a_{ts}(A)$ and  $Q_{ts}^* = q_{ts}(\mathcal{Q}^{(l-1)})$  such that  $H_s^{(l)} = A_{ts}^* H_t^{(l)} Q_{ts}^*$  (10)

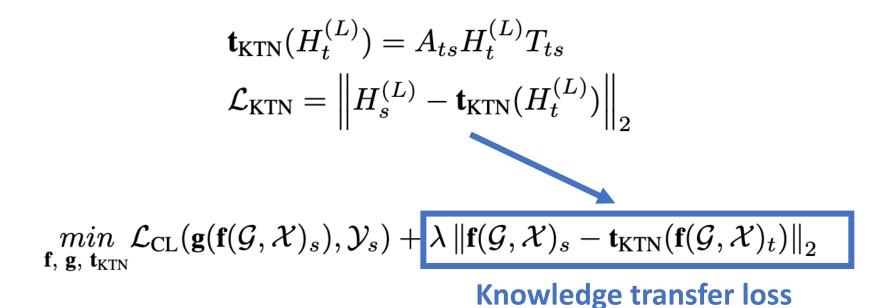
where  $a_{ts}(\cdot)$  and  $q_{ts}(\cdot)$  are matrix functions that depend only on s, t.

# Hand-computed mapping functions

#### Proposed method: Knowledge Transfer Networks (KTN)

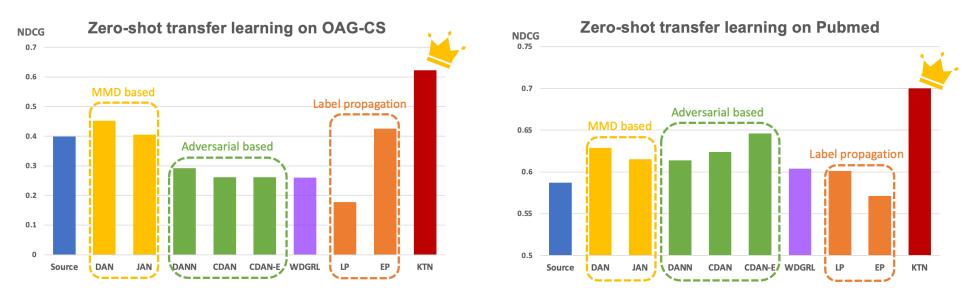
$$\mathbf{t}_{\mathrm{KTN}}(H_t^{(L)}) = A_{ts}H_t^{(L)}T_{ts}$$
Learnable
$$\mathcal{L}_{\mathrm{KTN}} = \left\| H_s^{(L)} - \mathbf{t}_{\mathrm{KTN}}(H_t^{(L)}) \right\|_2$$
Learnable

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# Experiment (1) Zero-shot Transfer Learning

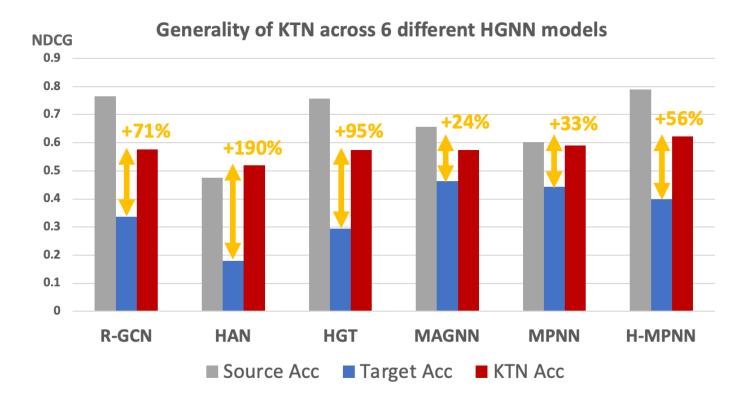
- 18 different tasks
- 6 SOTA zero-shot transfer learning baselines
- 2 traditional label propagation baselines
- 73% higher in MRR



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# Experiment (2) Generality

- 6 different HGNN models
- 960% improvement



Paper: <a href="https://www.minjiyoon.xyz/Paper/KTN.pdf">www.minjiyoon.xyz/Paper/KTN.pdf</a> Code: <a href="https://github.com/minjiyoon/KTN">https://github.com/minjiyoon/KTN</a>



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