



Social Media Analysis with Graph Neural Networks



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► Abstract

Online social media, such as Facebook, has become a norm in our social and personal lives. The explicit or implicit social relationships established on social networks can be leveraged to market products or make recommendations. However, the open nature of online social media provides a favorable environment for malicious users to spread incorrect information, either for financial gains or to increase social influence. Therefore, social media analysis, such as social trust investigation, has attracted increasing attention from multiple disciplines. On the other hand, graph neural networks recently have shown to be powerful in learning on graphs. Their advantages provide great potential to analyze online social networks represented as graph data. In this talk, I will introduce our work of tackling complex social media analysis with graph neural networks.

► About the Speaker

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