



Rethinking graph anomaly detection: A self-supervised Group Discrimination paradigm with Structure-Aware

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**Introducing a new self-supervised learning
paradigm for graph anomaly detection**

GDSA

Stronger detection performance and higher computational efficiency

- ✓ **Better detection performance**
- ✓ **Less time complexity**
- ✓ **Smaller memory usage**

Outline

Part1: **(Background)** What is Graph Anomaly Detection **(GAD)** ?

Part2: **Existing Problems** of Graph Anomaly Detection **(GAD)**

Part3: **Rethinking** Graph Anomaly Detection **(GAD)**

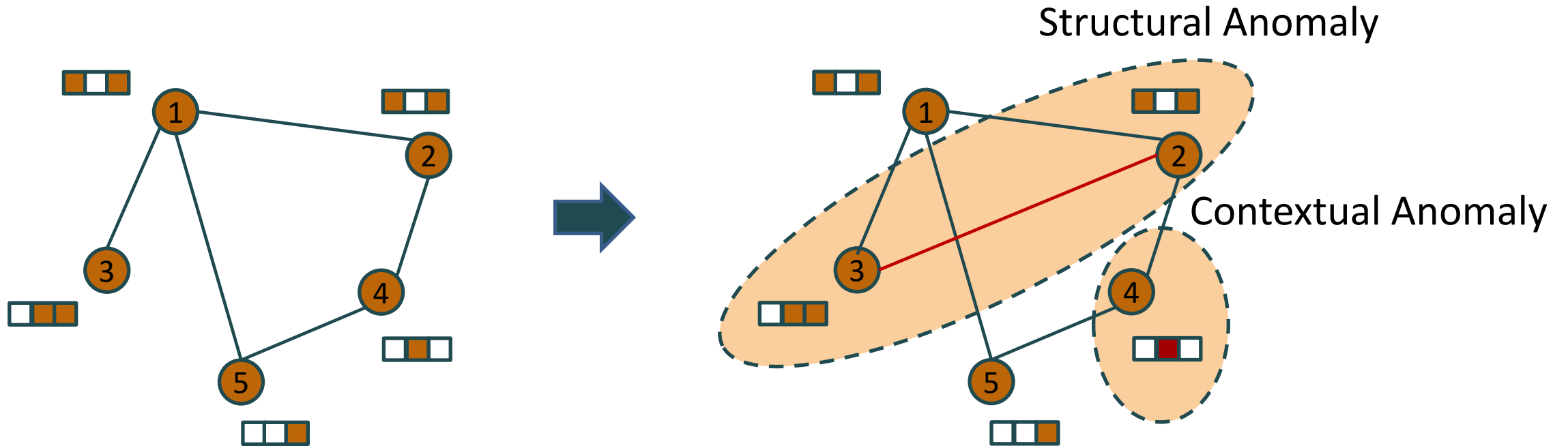
Part4: **Structure Disturbance**-A new approach for Graph Anomaly Detection **(GAD)**

Part5: **Group Discrimination**-Conversion graph anomaly detection **(GAD)**

Part6: **Experiment** Results

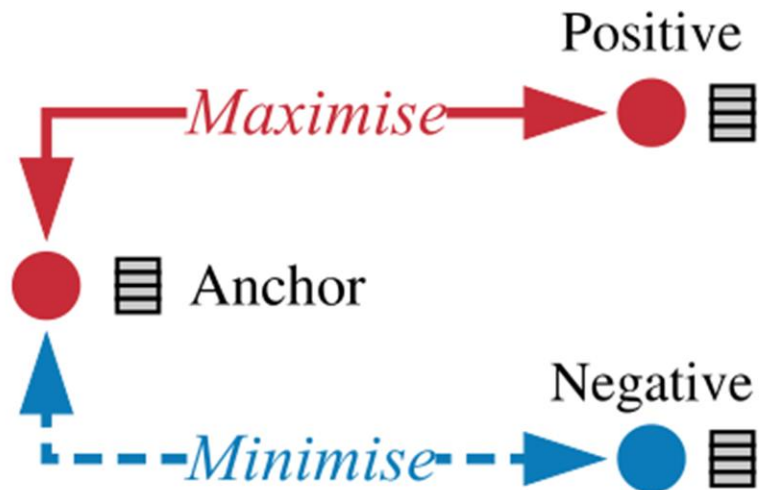
Part7: **Conclusion** and Future Works

(Background) What is Graph Anomaly Detection (GAD) ?



Existing Problems of Graph Anomaly Detection (GAD) ?

- **Insufficient detection effect** (Not directly model the anomaly structure)
- **Inefficient calculation** (Higher time complexity and Larger memory usage)



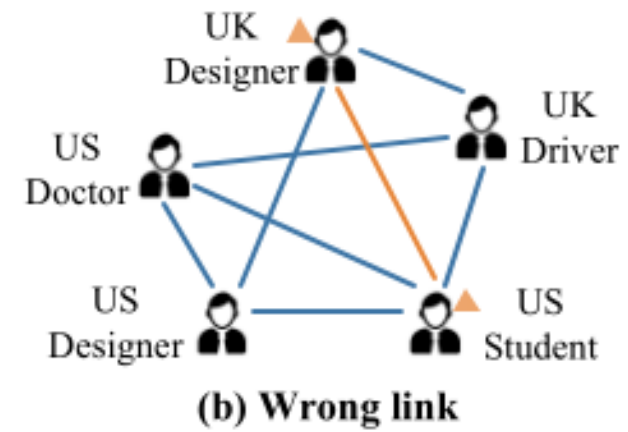
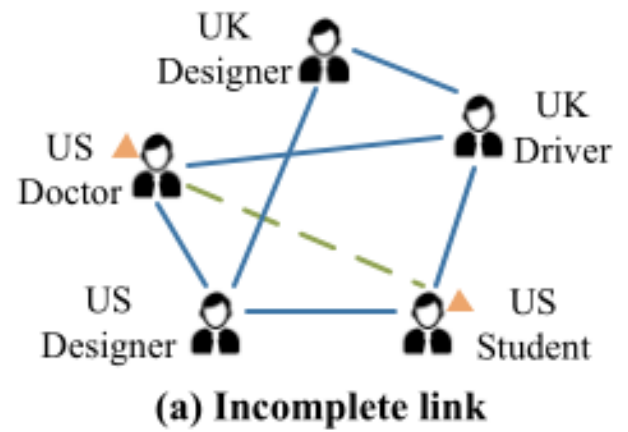
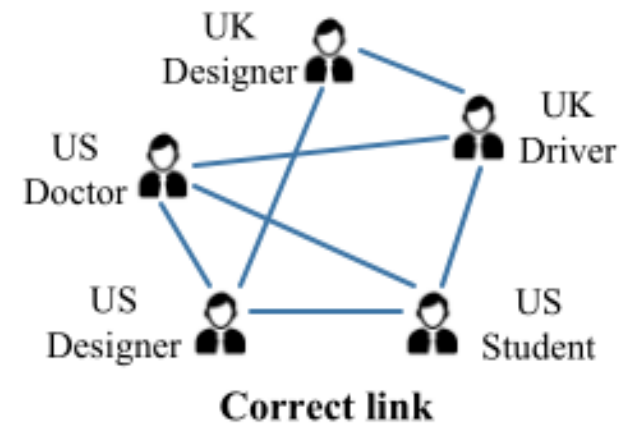
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Rethinking Graph Anomaly Detection (GAD) ?

- To directly model the topology of the graph
- To improve computational efficiency
- To improve Generalization and Scalability

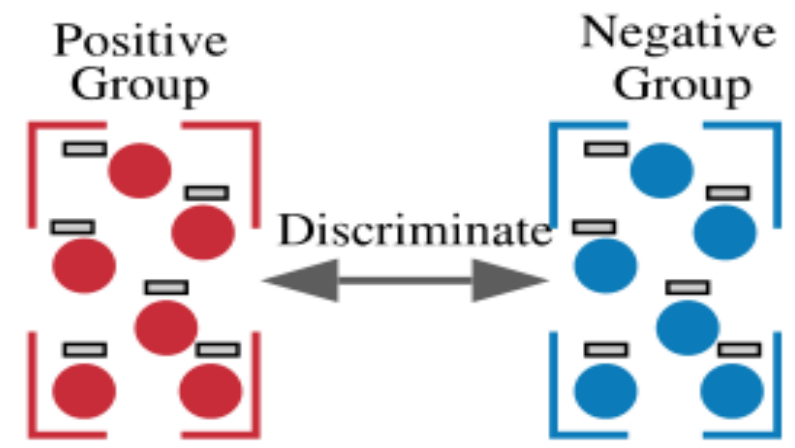
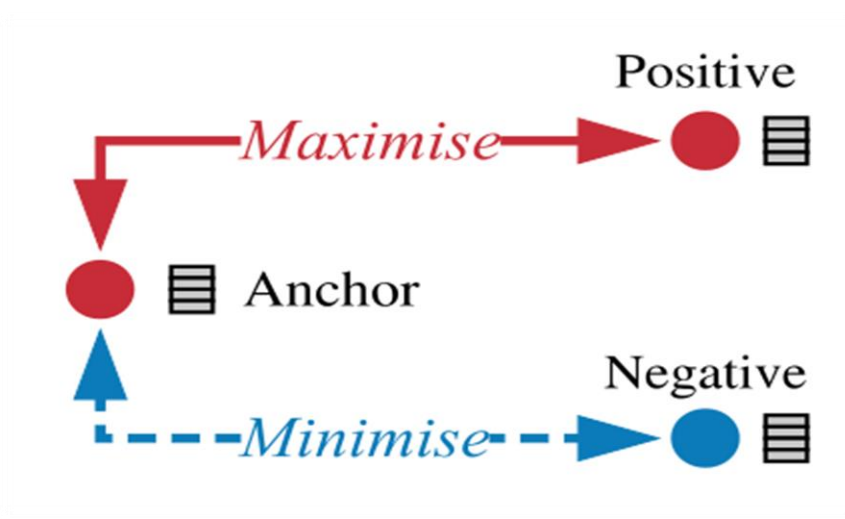
Rethinking Graph Anomaly Detection (GAD) ?

- Q1: How to explicitly model the abnormal structure in the graph?



Rethinking Graph Anomaly Detection (GAD) ?

- Q2: How to effectively improve the computational efficiency of graph anomaly detection?

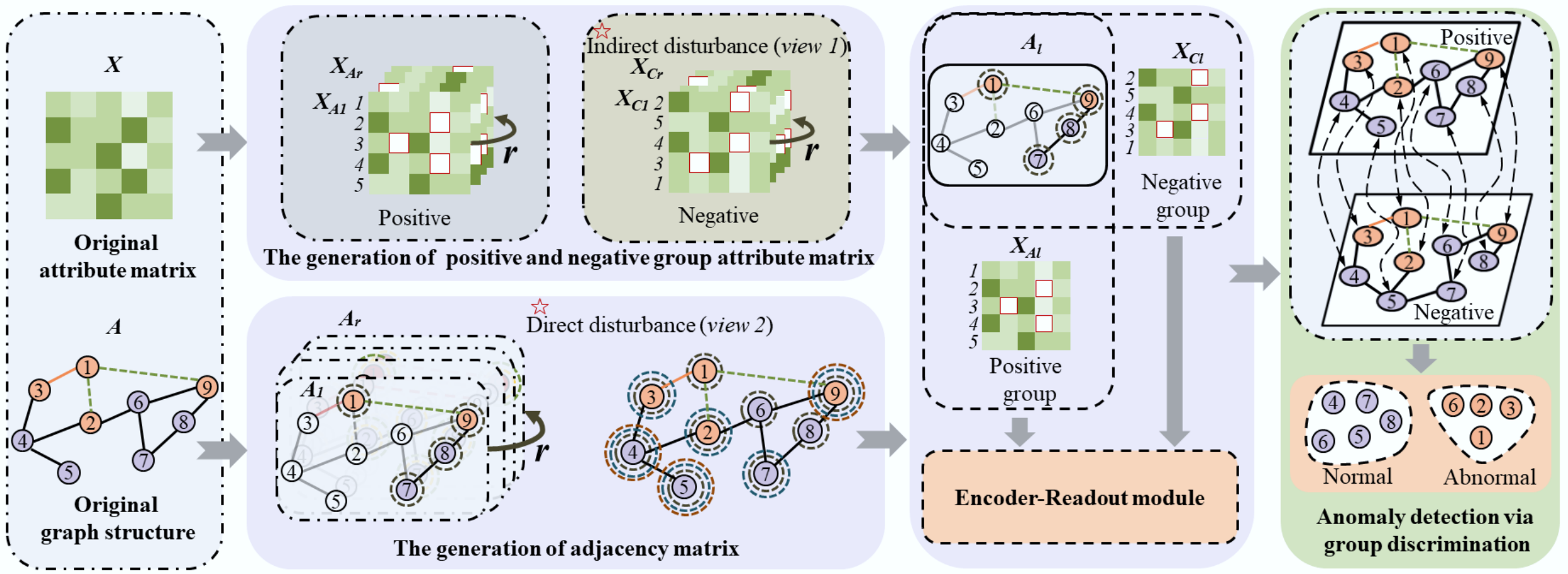


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$O(1)$

Rethinking Graph Anomaly Detection (GAD) ?

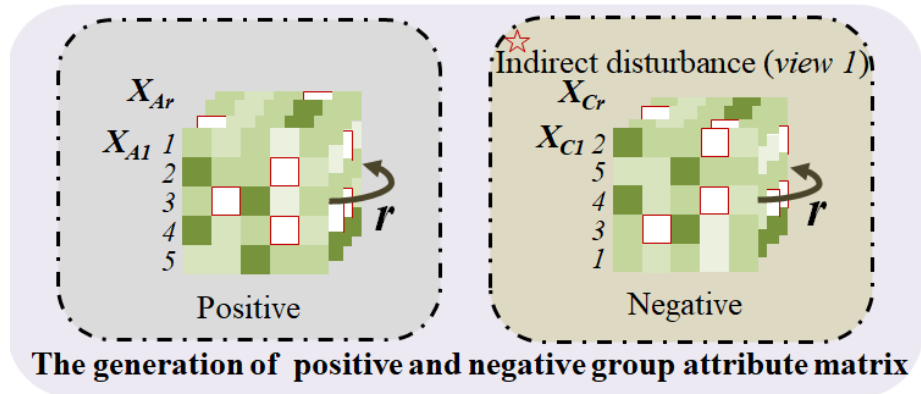
- **Q3:** How to ensure the generalization and scalability of the model?
 - ✓ **Generalization:** Four benchmark datasets of different scales and types (two citation network datasets and two social network datasets)
 - ✓ **Scalability:** The large-scale dataset



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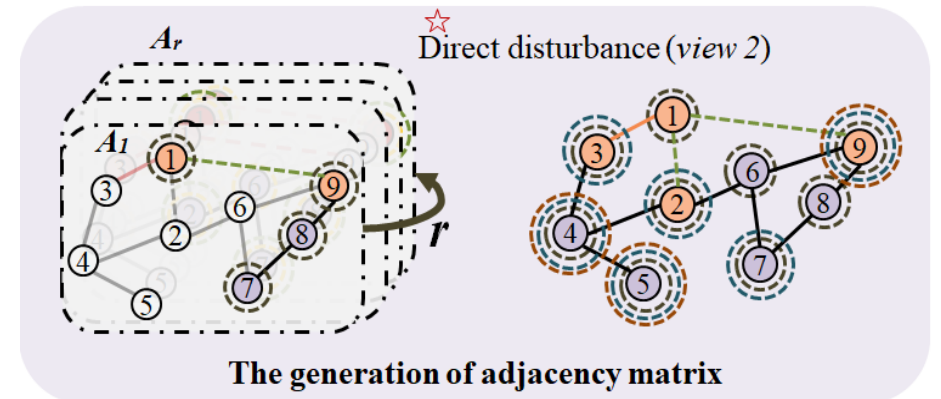
Multi-view Structure Disturbance

✓ Indirect disturbance (*View 1*):



The generation of positive and negative group attribute matrix
 Simulate incomplete links and wrong links

✓ Direct disturbance (*View 2*):



The generation of adjacency matrix
 Simulate wrong links to increase the richness of structural disturbance

Multi-view Structure Disturbance

□ How is the value of the number of edges per round of disturbance k determined in *View 2* structure disturbance?

- Random sampling with put-back of edges in \mathcal{E}
- Selecting k edges per round, for a total of r rounds



Graph $\mathcal{G} = (\mathcal{V}, \mathcal{E}, \mathbf{X})$

Node set $\mathcal{V} = \{v_1, \dots, v_m\}$

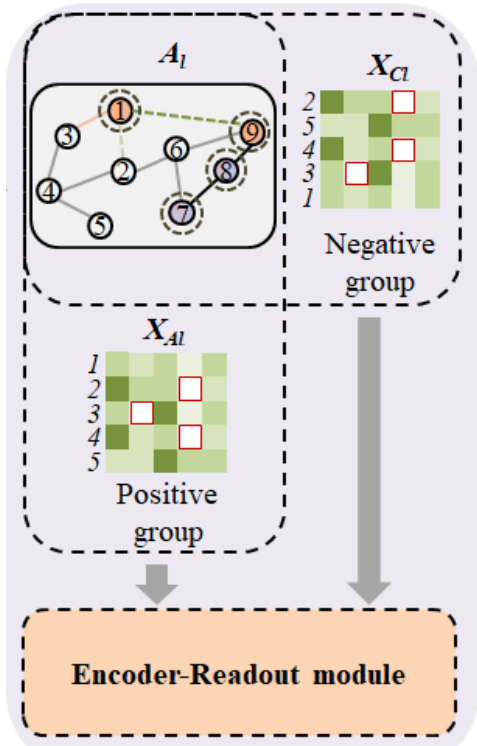
Edge set $\mathcal{E} = \{e_1, \dots, e_n\}$

$$E(m) = 1 - \left(\frac{n - k}{n}\right)^r$$

Group Discrimination

✓ Feature extraction and transformation

□ **Objective:** To extract the features of positive and negative groups and convert them into node scalar information for group discrimination.



✓ **Encoder:** Extract spatial features in the graph

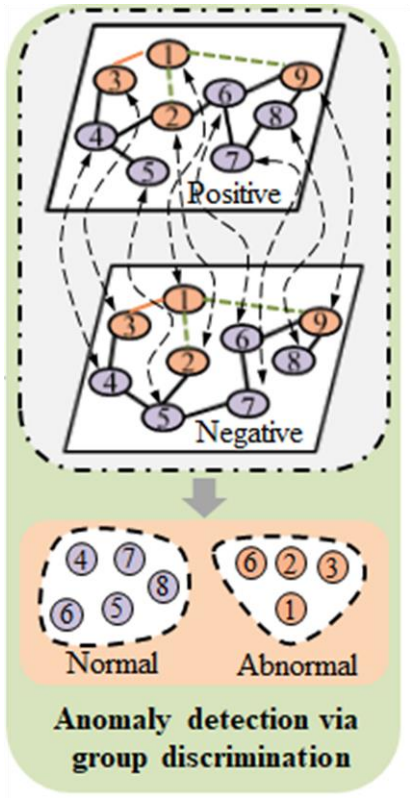
$$\mathbf{E}_l = GCN(\mathbf{A}_l, \mathbf{X}_l)$$

✓ **Readout:** Dimensionality reduction is performed for embedding in the positive and negative groups

$$\begin{cases} \mathbf{e}_l = \sigma(\mathbf{E}_l) \\ s_i = MLP(\mathbf{E}_l) = \sum_{j=1}^h \mathbf{e}_l[i, j] \end{cases}$$

Group Discrimination

- ✓ Identifying node scalar information to complete graph anomaly detection
- Time complexity is **only $O(1)$**



- ✓ BCEloss

$$\mathcal{L}_{BCE} = \frac{1}{2m} \left(\sum_{i=1}^{2m} y_i \log s_i + (1 - y_i) \log(1 - s_i) \right)$$

- ✓ In an ideal state

s_i of abnormal nodes: **Positive**
 s_i of normal nodes: **Negative**

Experiment Results

Generalization-- Detection performance

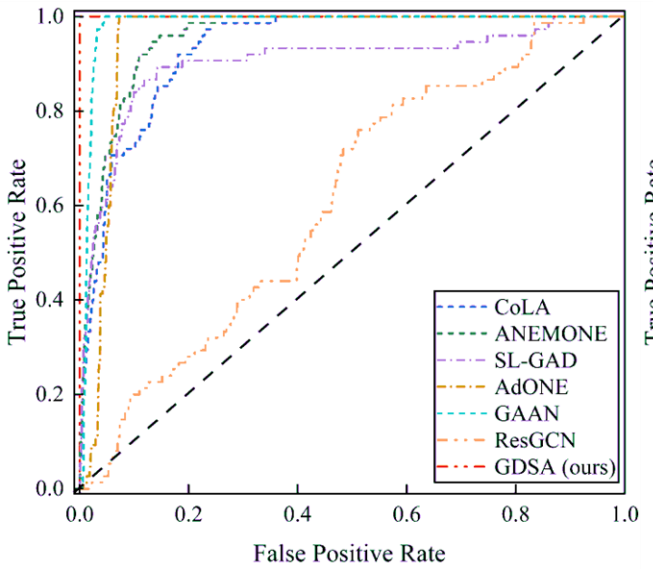
Methods	Cora	Citeseer	BlogCatalog	Flickr
CoLA(TNNLS 2021)	0.9338	0.9055	0.6804	0.6365
ANEMONE(CIKM 2021)	0.9706	0.9655	0.6681	0.6180
SL-GAD(TKDE 2021)	0.9035	0.9127	0.6477	0.6144
AdONE(WSDM 2020)	0.9525	0.9922	0.6144	0.3754
GANN(CIKM 2020)	0.9841	0.9851	0.6051	0.6324
ResGCN(DSAA 2021)	0.6117	0.5135	0.6083	0.6113
GDSA(ours)	1.0000*	1.0000*	0.7163	0.8191

↑ 28.7%

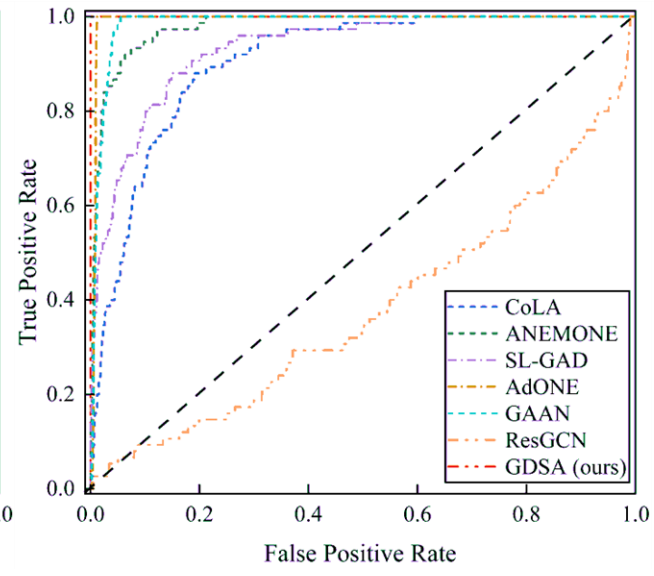
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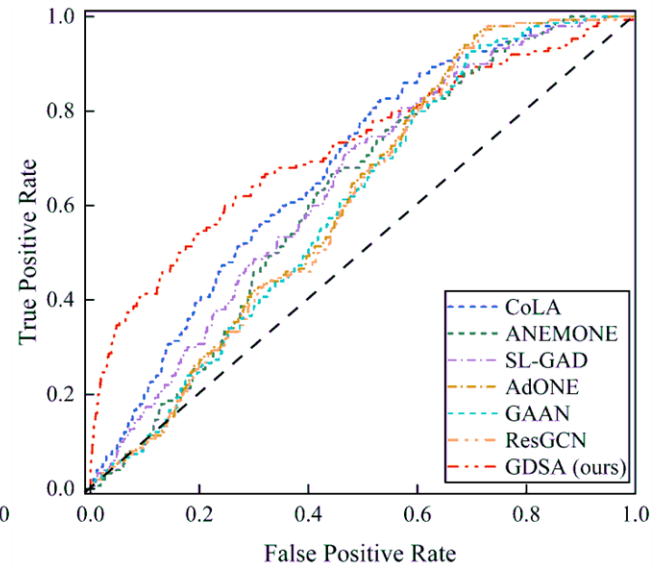
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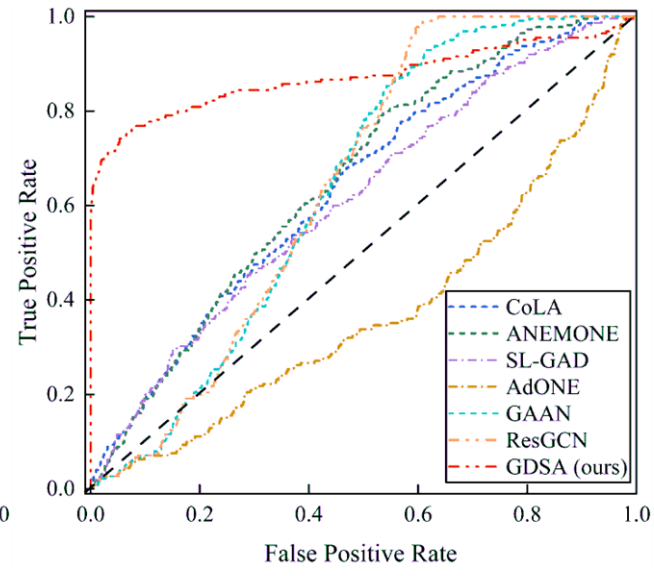
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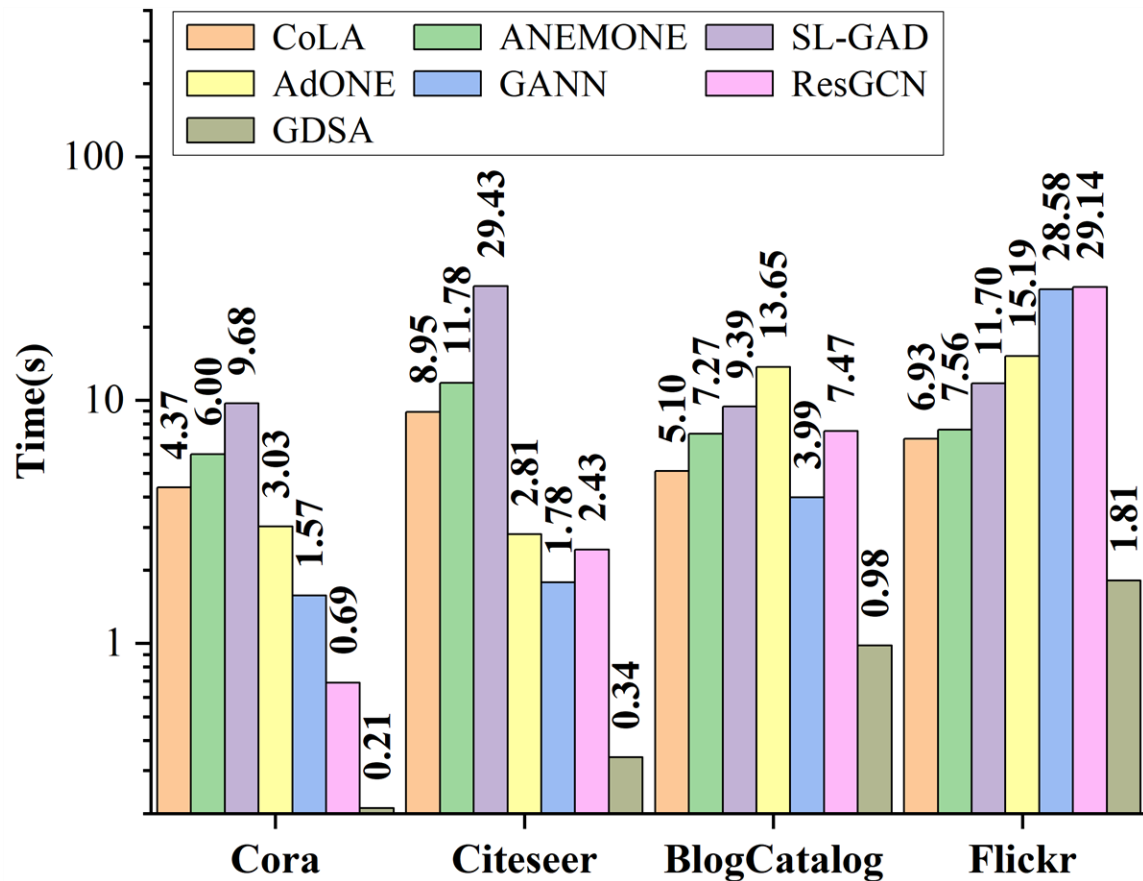


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Experiment Results

Generalization-- computational efficiency



On the Citeseer dataset

GDSA compared to GANN : improved 5.3×

GDSA compared to SL-GAD : improved 87.8×

Experiment Results

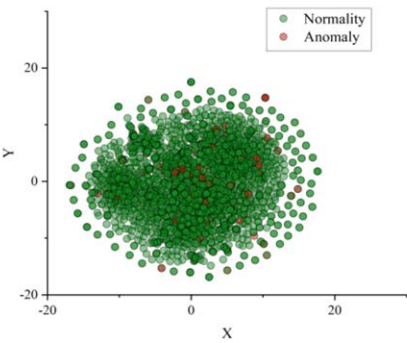
□ Ablation study-- Detection performance

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GDSA w/o both	0.0528±0.0069	0.2410±0.0734	0.6303±0.0024	0.7685±0.0176
GDSA w/o view 1	0.0550±0.0070	0.3004±0.1339	0.6325±0.0028	0.7739±0.0084
GDSA w/o view 2	1.0000 ±0.0000	1.0000 ±0.0000	0.7146±0.1343	0.8015±0.0569
GDSA(ours)	1.0000 ±0.0000	1.0000 ±0.0000	0.7163 ±0.0069	0.8191 ±0.0375

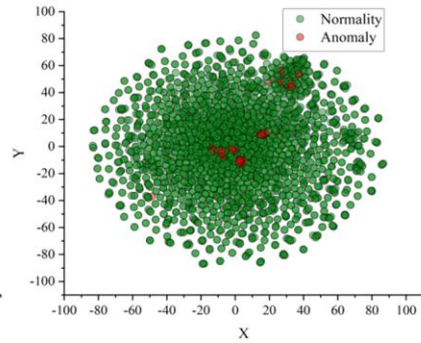
Experiment Results

□ Ablation study-- Latent space distribution

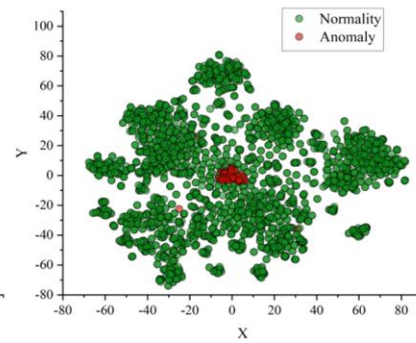
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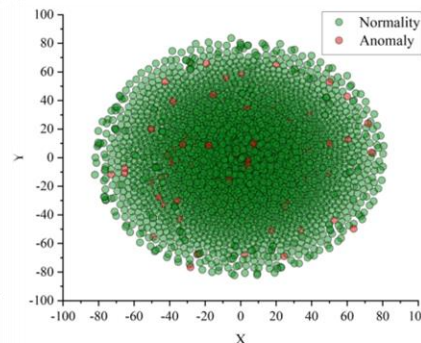


(b) GDSA w/o both.

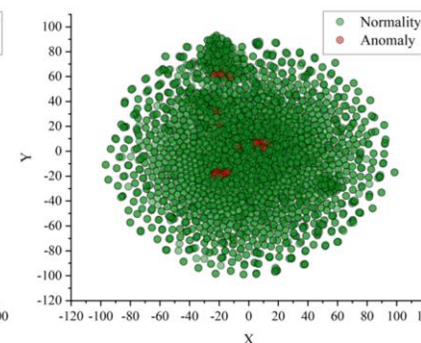


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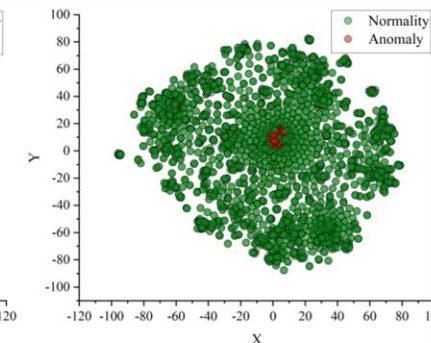
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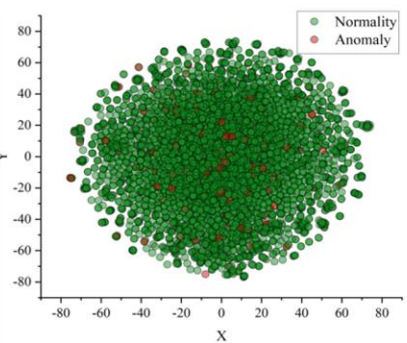


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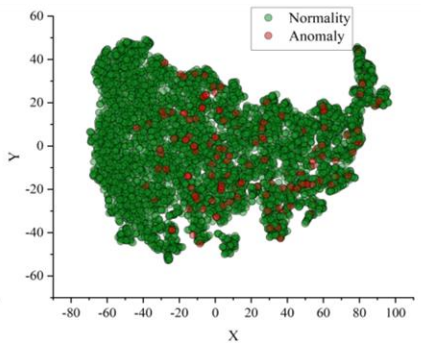


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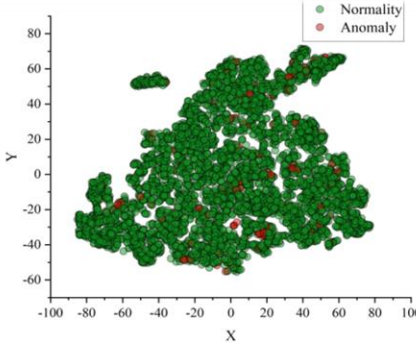
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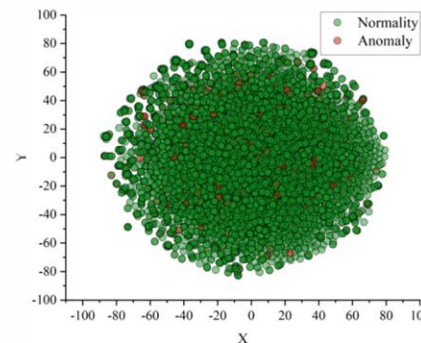


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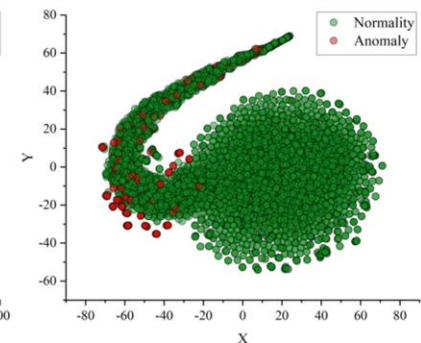


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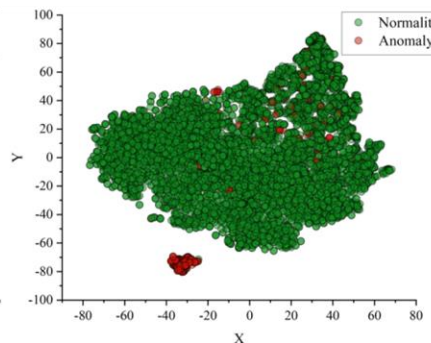
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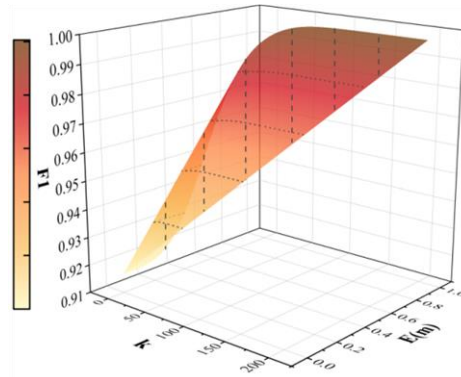


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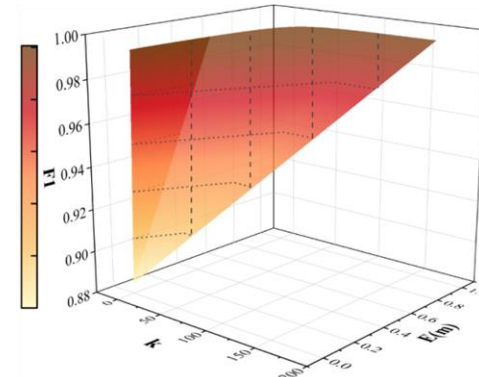
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Parameter analysis

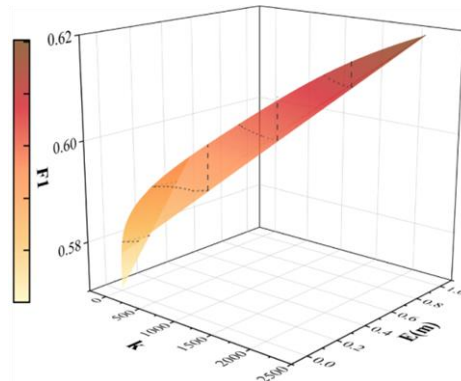
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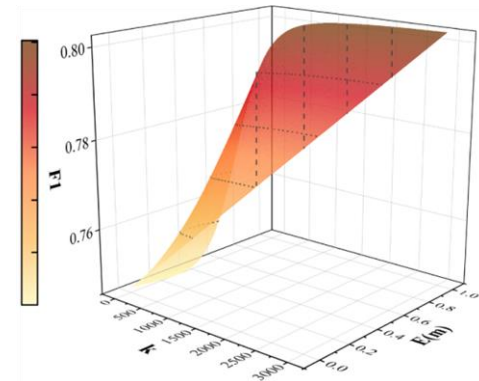
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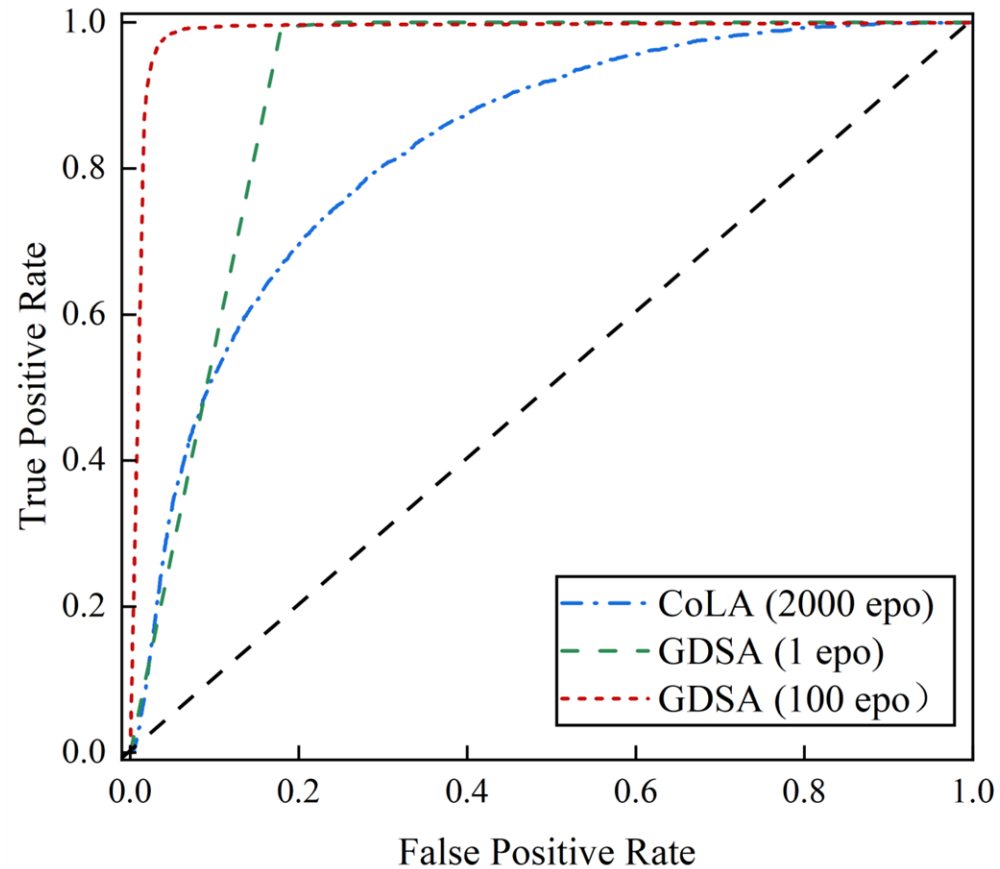
Experiment Results

▣ Scalability-- Detection performance and Computational efficiency (ogbn-arxiv)

Methods	AUC	Memory usage	Training time	Testing time
CoLA(2000 epo)	0.8291	8961MB	78h24m25s	7h18m43s
GDSA(1 epo)	0.9096	3414MB 61.9%	3m59s 1181.0×	5.1973s 5064.7×
GDSA(100 epo)	0.9867	4850MB 45.9%	8h11m32s 9.6×	5.1973s 5064.7×

Experiment Results

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Conculsion and Future Works

- ✓ Algorithmic ideas: An efficient self-supervised **group discrimination** paradigm with **structure - Aware** for graph anomaly detection is proposed.
- ✓ Practical significance: GDSA breaks through the barrier of graph anomaly detection that it is difficult to **directly model anomalous structures**.
- ✓ Future Works:
 - **Rethinking the graph anomaly detection** problem from more angles.
 - Explore frameworks that **can detect different types of anomalies in graph anomaly detection** more comprehensively and efficiently.



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