

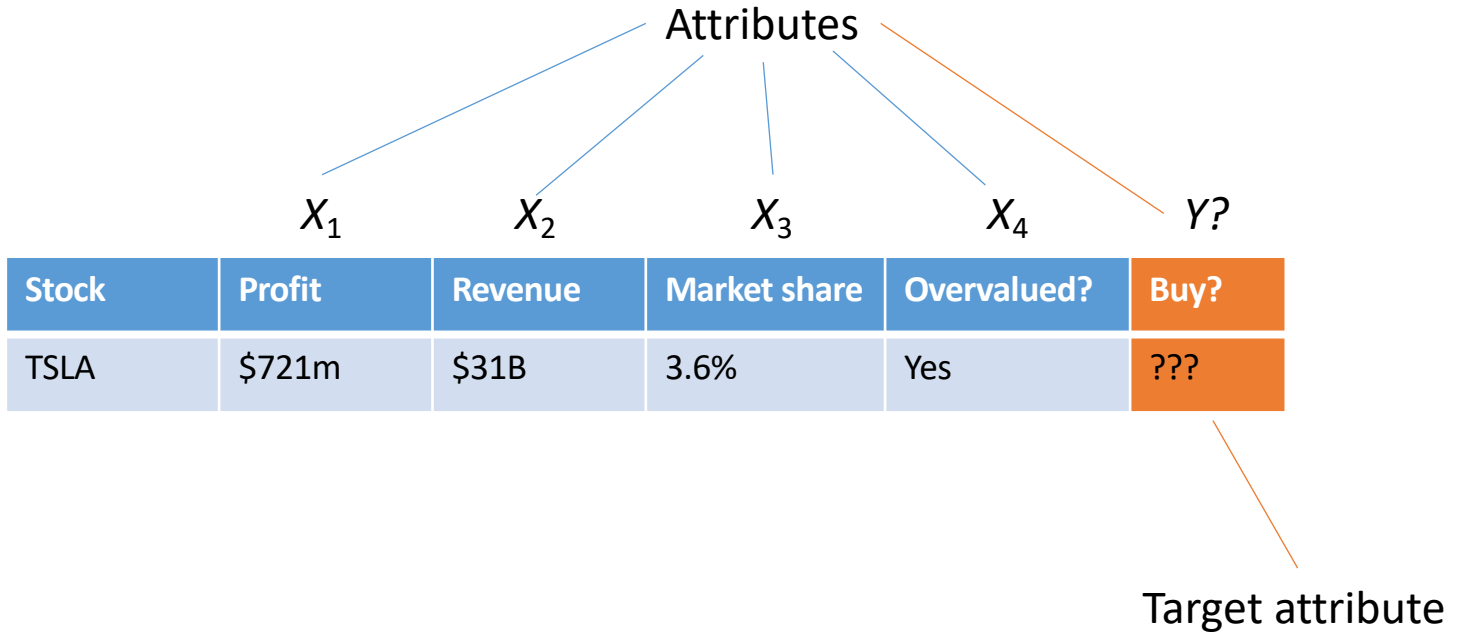


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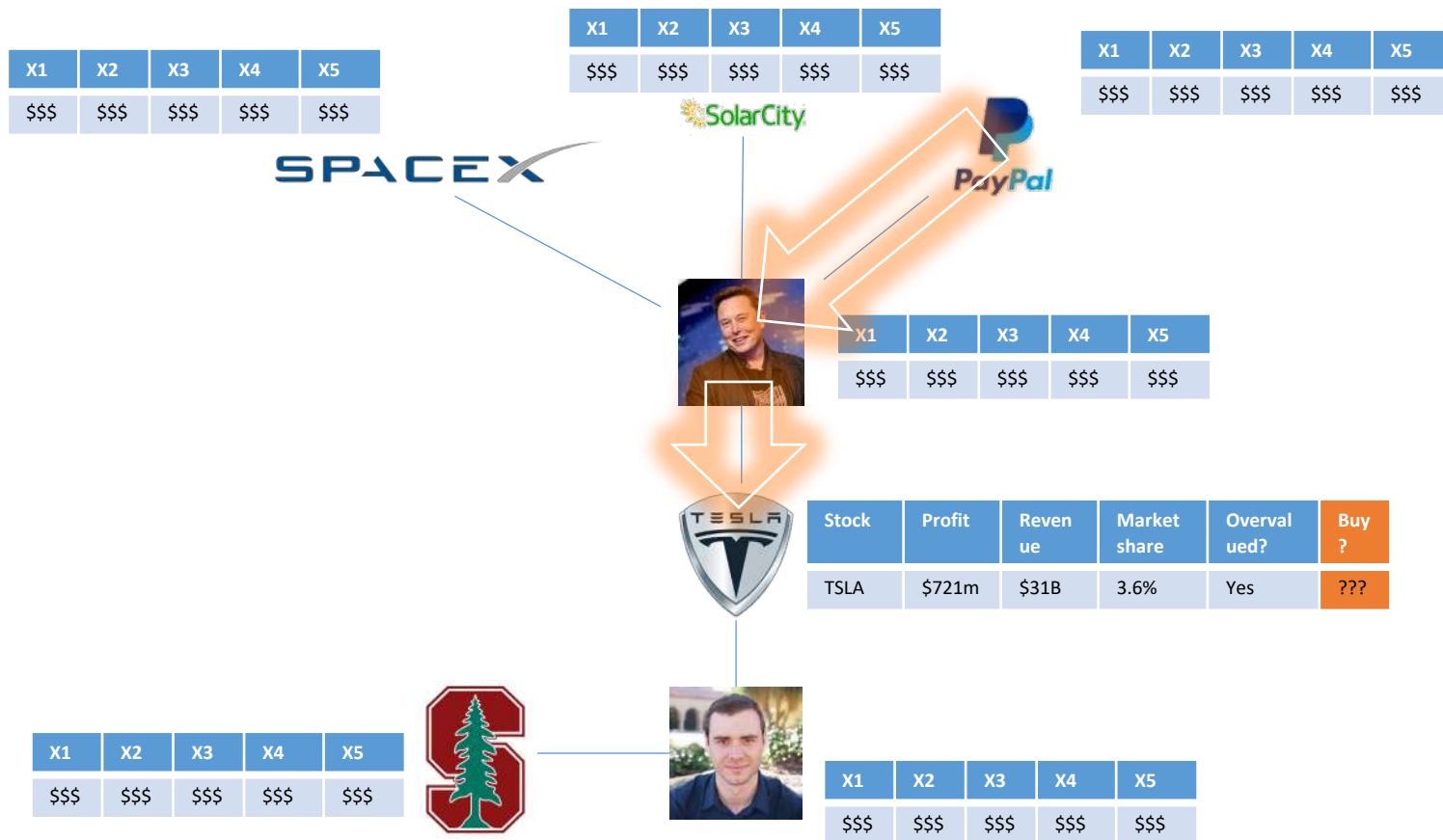
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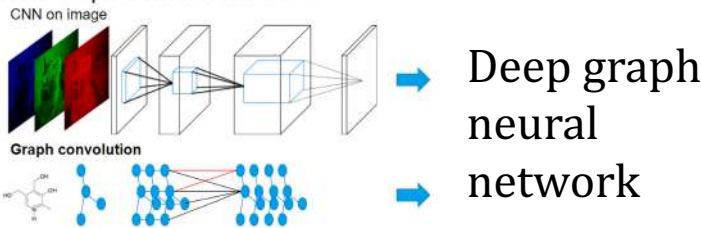




# Basic data analytics is easy.



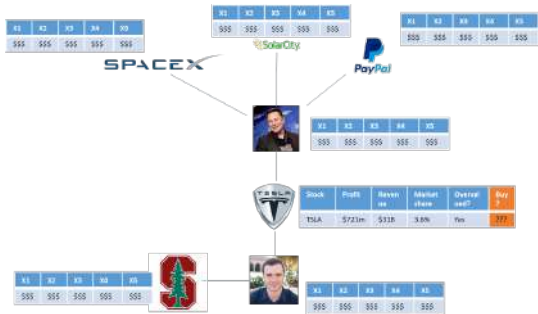
# Graph data analytics is more powerful.



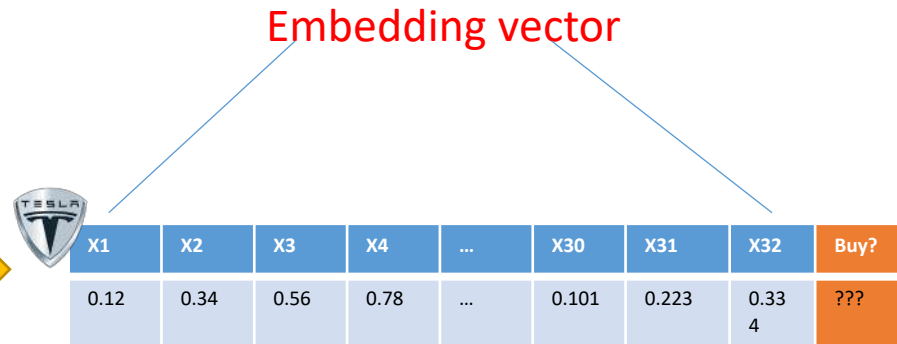
# Graph data analytics is powerful but difficult.

	Single table data analytics	Attributed graph data analytics
Tools		
Difficulty		
Req. Skill level		

# We present Practical Attributed Network Embedding (PANE).



Attributed graph data analytics




Embedding vector data analytics



# Performance of PANE

Effective

Accuracy (F1):

up to **+17.2%** 

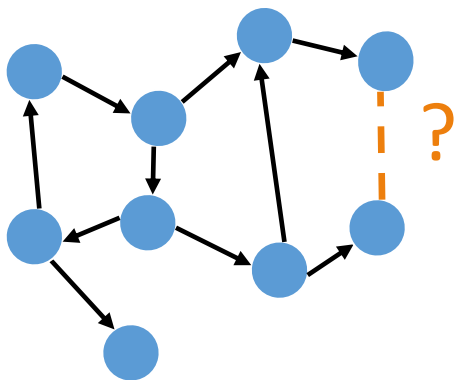
*Compared to SOTA  
Neural Network methods*

*Computing all embeddings on a  
HUGE graph with 59m nodes,  
0.98b edges, 2k attributes*

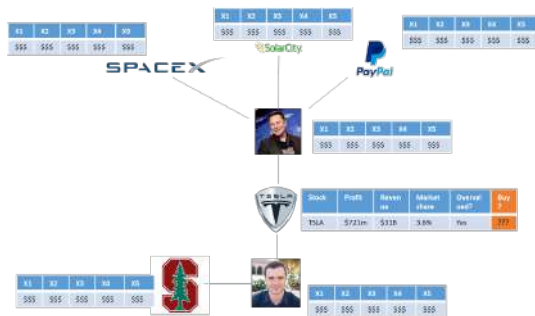
**Single-server:  
~ 12 hours**

Efficient

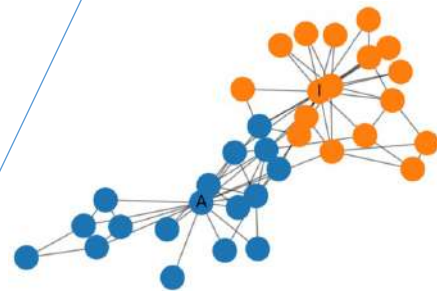
# Applications of PANE



Link Prediction



Attribute Inference



Node Classification

# PANE is based on mostly novel database technologies (with a bit of machine learning flavor).

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PANE measures Node-Attribute affinity via **random walks**.

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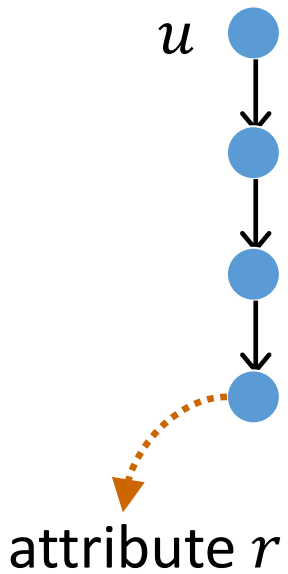
PANE computes embeddings with **joint matrix factorization**.

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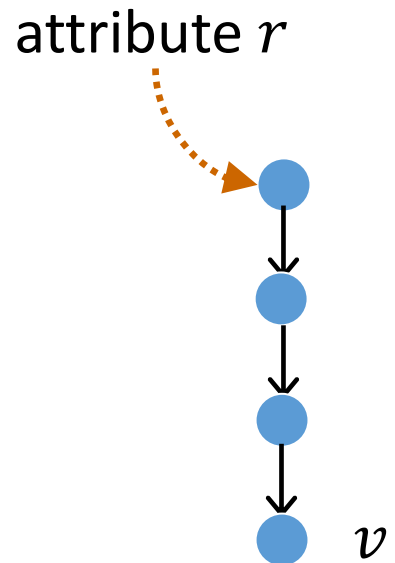
PANE makes full use of **multi-core parallel computation**.



# Types of Random Walks in PANE



*Forward: node-to-attribute*



Backward: attribute-to-node

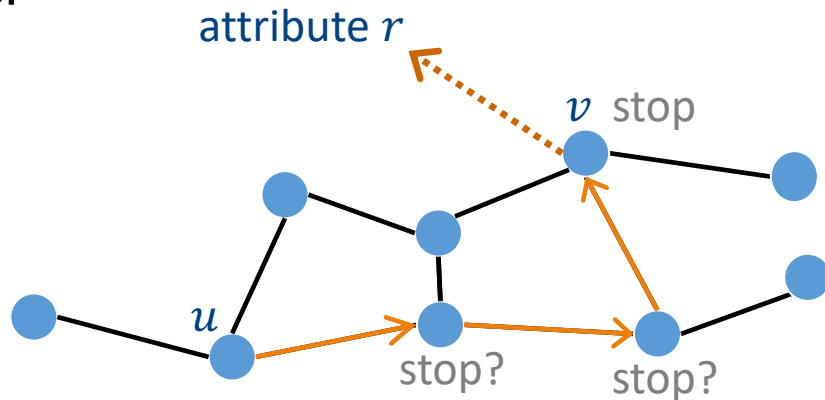
# Forward Random Walks

1

- Forward random walk from node  $u$ :

- Start from  $u$
- At each step, stop with  $\alpha$  probability
- After stopping at a node  $v$ , pick an attribute  $r$  with probability  $\propto w(v, r)$

- Intuition: it samples an attribute  $r$  from the vicinity of  $u$

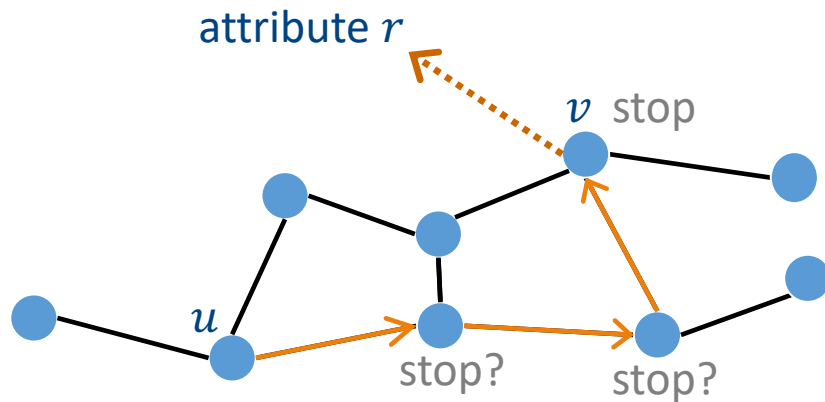


# Node-Attribute Affinity

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Node-attribute affinity:

$\mathbf{F}[u, r]$  = normalized probability that a forward random walk from  $u$  samples  $r$  in the end



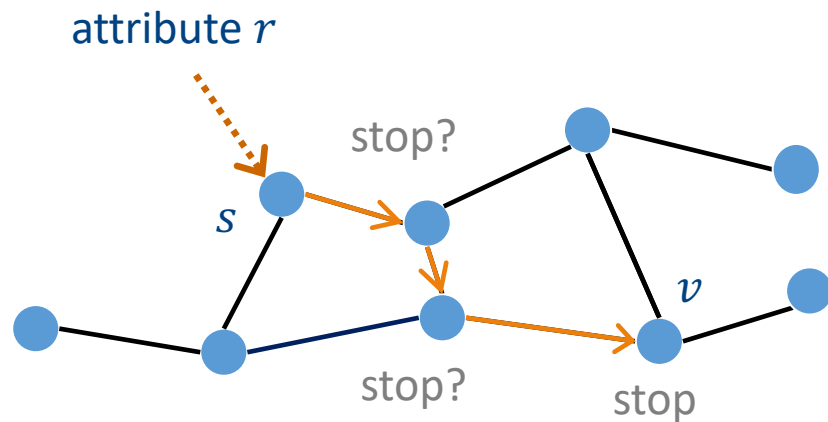
# Backward RW & Attribute-Node Affinity

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- Backward random walk from attribute  $r$ 
  - Randomly pick a node  $s$  with probability proportional to the weight of  $(s, r)$
  - Start a random walk from  $s$
  - At each step, stop with  $\alpha$  probability
  - Let  $v$  be the stopping point of the walk

## Attribute-node affinity

$\mathbf{B}[r, v] \leftarrow$  normalized random walk probability from attribute  $r$  to node  $v$



# Node-to-Node affinity is derived.

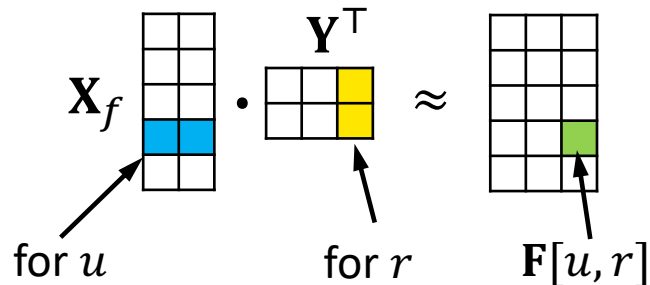


$$p(u, v) = \sum_{r \in R} \mathbf{F}[u, r] \cdot \mathbf{B}[r, v]$$

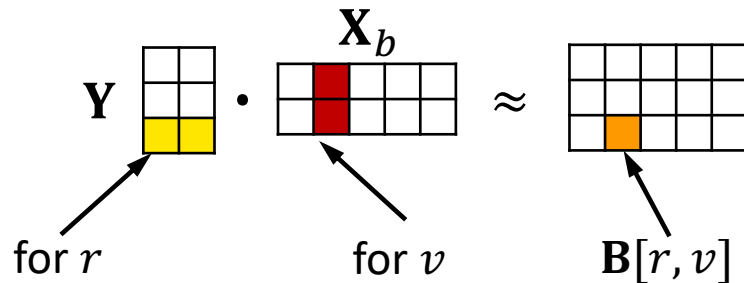
This saves a LOT of space:  $O(n^2) \rightarrow O(nd), d \ll n$

# Embedding Matrices in PANE

- We construct
  - two embedding matrices  $\mathbf{X}_f$  and  $\mathbf{X}_b$  for the nodes, and
  - one embedding matrix  $\mathbf{Y}$  for attributes

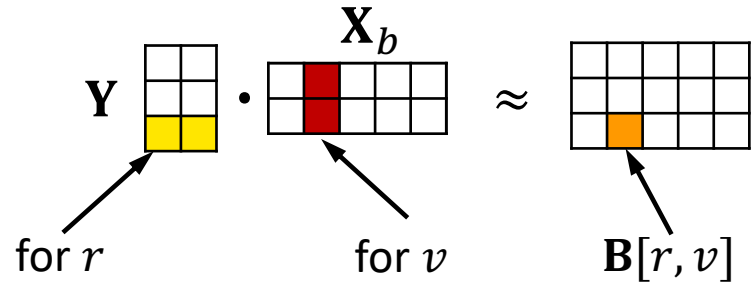
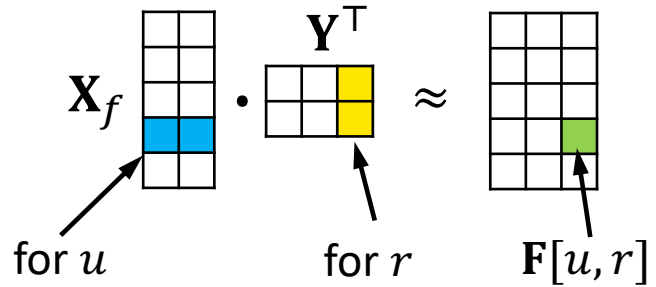


- Optimization objective:
  - $\mathbf{X}_f \cdot \mathbf{Y}^T \approx \mathbf{F}$ , to capture node-attribute affinity
  - $\mathbf{Y} \cdot \mathbf{X}_b^T \approx \mathbf{B}$ , to capture attribute-node affinity



# Solving the optimization program

- Jointly factorize  $\mathbf{F}$  and  $\mathbf{B}$  to obtain  $\mathbf{X}_f$ ,  $\mathbf{X}_b$ , and  $\mathbf{Y}$ 
  - Formulate the joint factorization as a least square problem
  - Solve it using gradient descent
  - Use randomized SVD to obtain a good initial solution
- Time complexity:  $O(mdt + ndkt)$ 
  - $k$  is the embedding size
  - $t$  is the number of iterations ( $t = 5$  in our experiments)



# Greedy Initialization + SGD

$$\mathbf{F} \approx \mathbf{U} \cdot \mathbf{\Sigma} \cdot \mathbf{V}^T$$

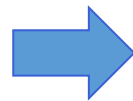
$$\square \mathbf{X}_f = \mathbf{U} \cdot \mathbf{\Sigma}, \mathbf{Y} = \mathbf{V}$$

$$\square \mathbf{V} = \mathbf{Y} \text{ is unitary}$$

$$\square \mathbf{Y}^T \cdot \mathbf{Y} = \mathbf{I}$$

$$\square \mathbf{X}_b = \mathbf{X}_b \mathbf{Y}^T \mathbf{Y} = \mathbf{B} \cdot \mathbf{Y}$$

Greedy initialization of embeddings via randomized SVD and the unitary property



For  $t$  iterations:

Update  $\mathbf{X}_f, \mathbf{X}_b$  via SGD;

Update  $\mathbf{Y}$  via SGD;

$$\mathbf{F} \approx \mathbf{X}_f \cdot \mathbf{Y}$$

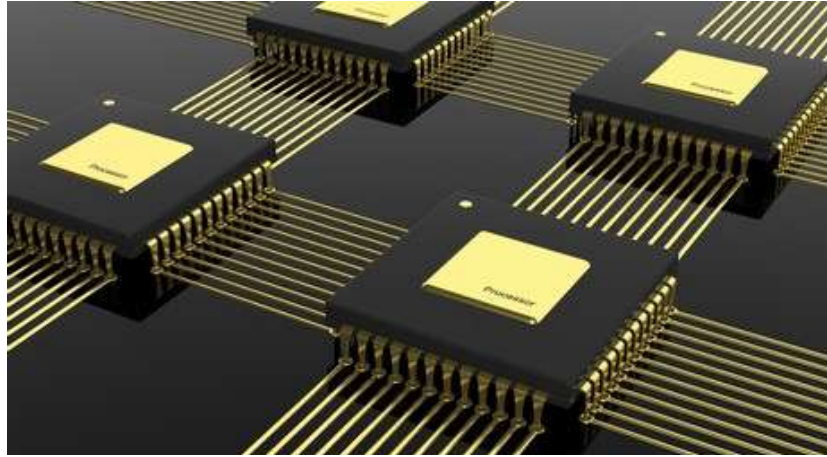
$$\mathbf{B} \approx \mathbf{X}_b \cdot \mathbf{Y}$$

**Only a few iterations are needed!**



PANE is fully parallelized on multi-core computers.

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Explained in [Section 4](#) of our paper.

# Experiments: 8 Datasets

Name	# of nodes	# of edges	# of distinct attributes	# of attributes per node	# of distinct labels
Cora	2.7k	5.4k	1.4k	18.2	7
Citeseer	3.3k	4.7k	3.7k	31.9	6
Facebook	4k	88.2k	1.3k	8.3	193
Pubmed	19.7k	44.3k	0.5k	50.2	3
Flickr	7.6k	479.5k	12.1k	24.0	9
Google+	107.6k	13.7M	15.9k	2793.7	468
TWeibo	2.3M	50.7M	1.7k	7.3	8
MAG	59.3M	978.2M	2.0k	7.3	100

# Experiments: 10 Competitors

- Default embedding dimensionality:  $k = 128$

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## ■ 6 neural-network-based methods

- STNE [KDD 2018]
- ARGA [IJCAI 2018]
- LQANR [IJCAI 2019]
- CAN [WSDM 2019]
- DGI [ICLR 2019]
- GATNE [KDD 2019]

## ■ 3 factorization-based methods

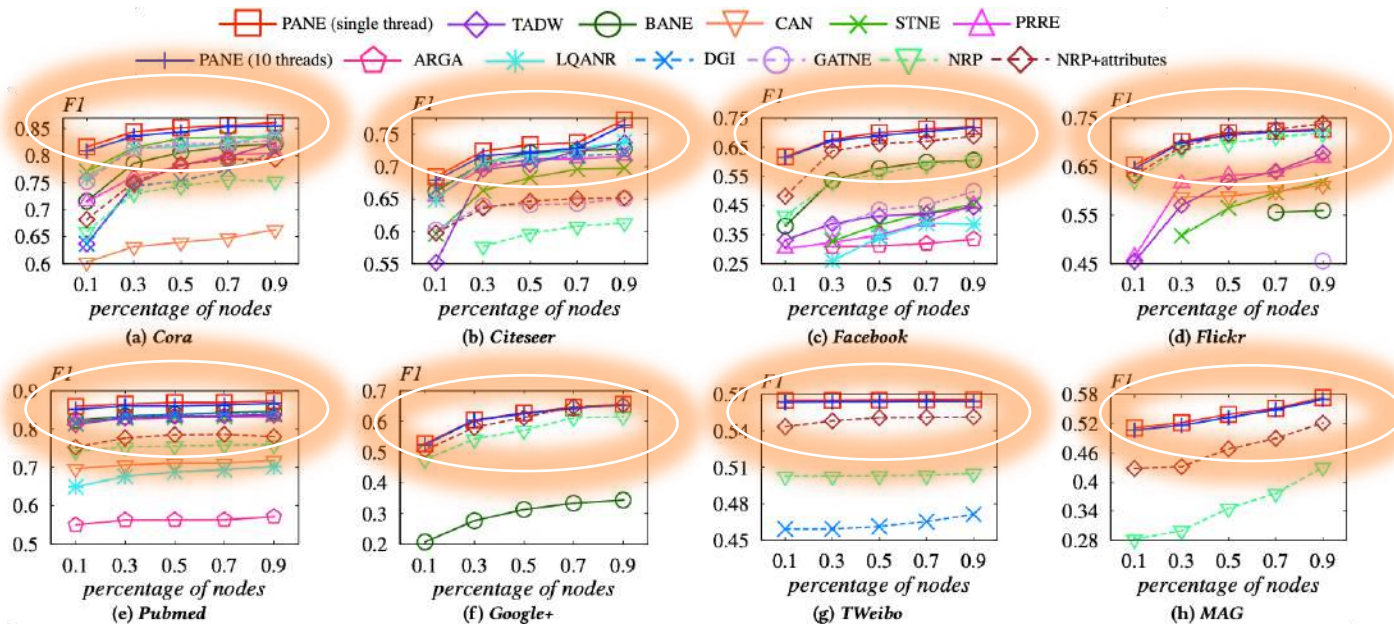
- TADW [IJCAI 2015]
- BANE [ICDM 2018]
- NRP [VLDB 2020]

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## ■ 1 other method

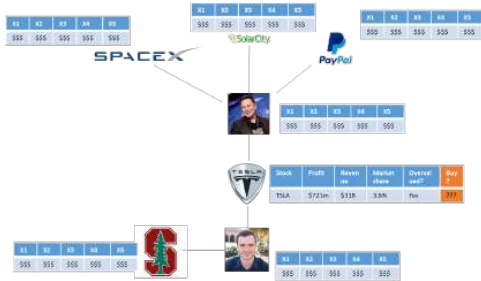
- PRRE [CIKM 2018]

# Results: Node Classification



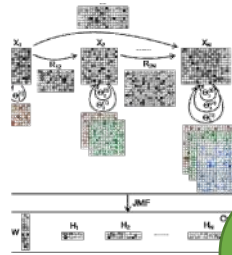
- Percentage of nodes used for training: 10% ~ 90%
- PANE vs. SOTA: improvements of 3.4%-17.2% in terms of F1 measure

# THANK YOU



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Random walks



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Joint matrix factorization



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Parallelization





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