Ultrahyperbolic Neural Networks

Abstract

Riemannian space forms, such as the Euclidean space, sphere and hyperbolic space, are popular and powerful representation spaces in machine learning. For instance, hyperbolic geometry is appropriate to represent graphs without cycles and has been used to extend Graph Neural Networks. Recently, pseudo-Riemannian space forms that generalize both hyperbolic and spherical geometries have been exploited to learn a specific type of (nonparametric) embedding called ultrahyperbolic. The lack of geodesic between every pair of ultrahyperbolic points makes the task of learning parametric models (e.g., neural networks) difficult. This paper introduces a method to learn parametric models in ultrahyperbolic space. We experimentally show the relevance of our approach in the tasks of graph and node classification.

1 Introduction

Riemannian manifolds of constant curvature are the most common representation spaces in machine learning. They include the Euclidean space (of constant zero curvature), the d-sphere (of constant positive curvature) and the hyperbolic space (of constant negative curvature). The choice of a geometry to represent data mainly depends on the kind of relationship that needs to be described. For instance, Gromov [7] showed the relevance of hyperbolic geometry to represent tree-like data (i.e., graphs without cycles). Since many hierarchies can be described as trees, hyperbolic representations have been used to represent hierarchical relationships (e.g., hypernymy between words [13]). Nonetheless, in many domains (e.g., social networks or protein structures), hierarchical graphs contain cycles.

In hyperbolic geometry, the considered manifold is not a vector space and is not equipped with the standard dot product. Therefore, most hyperbolic neural networks [3, 5, 12, 21] represent the weights of their last layer in the tangent space of some reference point. That tangent space is equipped with a positive definite metric tensor and the learned model can then be optimized with Riemannian gradient descent [1]. In particular, since there exists a geodesic between any pair of points, the parameters are often optimized by using parallel transport (also called parallel translation) or the logarithm map. The Riemannian gradients are then parallel translated to the reference tangent space in which the model parameters lie. We refer the reader to [17] for a recent survey on hyperbolic neural networks.

Recently, Law & Stam [10] proposed *ultrahyperbolic* embeddings. They are a type of embedding that lies on a pseudo-Riemannian manifold of constant nonzero curvature [2, 15, 24]. Pseudo-Riemannian manifolds (also called semi-Riemannian manifolds) are generalizations of Riemannian manifolds where the nondegenerate metric tensor is not constrained to be positive definite [11]. In particular, when the metric tensor is not positive definite (e.g., when it is indefinite), the negative of the (pseudo-Riemannian) gradient is not a descent direction [6]. Law & Stam [10] proposed an efficient method to calculate a descent direction and learn ultrahyperbolic (nonparametric) embeddings. The main motivation of representing data on an ultrahyperbolic manifold is that it contains hyperbolic and spherical parts (see Fig. 1 and supp. material for details). It can then describe any relationship specific to these geometries (e.g., to represent parts of a graph that are trees or cycles) and is more flexible. Ultrahyperbolic embeddings were experimentally shown to be more appropriate than hyperbolic

Figure 1: Geodesics of the non-Riemannian quotient manifold $\mathcal{P}_1^{1,1} = \mathcal{S}_1^{1,1}/\pm 1$ embedded in $\mathbb{R}^{2,1}$. Every point $[\mathbf{x}]$ of $\mathcal{P}_1^{1,1}$ is the pair $\{\mathbf{x}, -\mathbf{x}\}$. Any pair of points $[\mathbf{x}]$ and $[\mathbf{y}]$ of $\mathcal{P}_1^{1,1}$ can be joined by a geodesic of $\mathcal{P}_1^{1,1}$. On the other hand, $\mathbf{x}$ and $-\mathbf{z}$ cannot be joined by an (unbroken) geodesic of $\mathcal{S}_1^{1,1}$. The length of the geodesic of $\mathcal{P}_1^{1,1}$ joining $[\mathbf{x}]$ and $[\mathbf{y}]$ is the length of the geodesic of $\mathcal{S}_1^{1,1}$ joining $\mathbf{x}$ and $-\mathbf{y}$ (in blue). The length of the geodesic of $\mathcal{P}_1^{1,1}$ joining $[\mathbf{x}]$ and $[\mathbf{z}]$ is the length of the geodesic of $\mathcal{S}_1^{1,1}$ joining $\mathbf{x}$ and $\mathbf{z}$ (in red). See details in the supp. material.

embeddings to represent hierarchical graphs with cycles on several datasets [10]. However, since there exist pairs of points on the ultrahyperbolic manifold considered in [10] that cannot be joined by an (unbroken) geodesic, gradients might not be parallel translated via a geodesic and the logarithm map joining two given points might not be defined. Directly extending hyperbolic neural networks [3, 5, 12, 21] to ultrahyperbolic space is then problematic.

In this paper, we propose a method to learn ultrahyperbolic representations with neural networks. Unlike [10], we consider the ultrahyperbolic quotient manifold defined such that every point $\mathbf{x} = (x_0, \cdots, x_d)^\top$ is equivalent to its antipodal point $-\mathbf{x} = (-x_0, \cdots, -x_d)^\top$. In this way, for any other point $\mathbf{y}$, there always exists at least one geodesic joining $(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})$ or $(-\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})$. We provide sufficient conditions to minimize a function defined on our quotient manifold. Since tangent vectors (hence gradients) of quotient manifolds are abstract objects, we explain how the function can be optimized with the *horizontal lift* operator. Our optimization framework is general, so we also introduce an extension to Graph Neural Networks (GNNs) [12] such that the activation representations at each layer of our GNN lie in ultrahyperbolic space. We then obtain a deep ultrahyperbolic model to represent graphs given as input. We evaluate our approach in different graph classification tasks.

2 Pseudo-sphere and Quotient Manifold

We extend the ultrahyperbolic manifold described in [10] (denoted by $\mathcal{S}_r^{p,q}$) to a quotient manifold denoted by $\mathcal{P}_r^{p,q}$ where (p,q) is the metric signature (see page 343 of [11]) of the pseudo-Riemannian manifold and $1/r^2$ is its curvature. The motivation is that any pair of points of $\mathcal{P}_r^{p,q}$ can be joined by at least one geodesic, which allows us to optimize parametric models. We consider three pseudo-Riemannian manifolds $\mathcal{P}_r^{p,q} \subset \mathcal{S}_r^{p,q} \subset \mathbb{R}^{p+1,q}$ that we define below. We explain how $\mathcal{P}_r^{p,q}$ generalizes elliptic and hyperbolic geometries in the special cases where $q = 0$ and $p = 0$, respectively.

Notation: We denote points on a smooth manifold $\mathcal{M}$ [11] by boldface Roman characters $\mathbf{x} \in \mathcal{M}$. $[\mathbf{x}] := \{\mathbf{x}, -\mathbf{x}\}$ is a pair of antipodal points. $T_\mathbf{x}\mathcal{M}$ is the tangent space of $\mathcal{M}$ at $\mathbf{x}$ and we write tangent vectors $\boldsymbol{\xi} \in T_\mathbf{x}\mathcal{M}$ in boldface Greek fonts. $\mathbb{R}^d$ is the d-dimensional Euclidean space equipped with the (positive definite) dot product $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$ defined as $\langle \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} \rangle := \mathbf{x}^\top \mathbf{y}$. $\mathbf{I}$ is the identity matrix. The inverse function of the cosine (resp. hyperbolic cosine) is denoted by $\cos^{-1}$ (resp. $\cosh^{-1}$).

Ambient space $\mathbb{R}^{p+1,q}$: Our ambient space $\mathbb{R}^{p+1,q}$ is a vector space of dimensionality $d + 1 = p + q + 1 \in \mathbb{N}$ called *pseudo-Euclidean* [15]. It is equipped with the following scalar product (i.e. nondegenerate symmetric bilinear form) of signature $(p+1, q)$:

$$\forall \mathbf{x} = (x_0, \cdots, x_d)^\top, \ \mathbf{y} = (y_0, \cdots, y_d)^\top, \ \langle \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} \rangle_q := \sum_{i=0}^p x_i y_i - \sum_{j=p+1}^d x_j y_j = \mathbf{x}^\top \mathbf{G} \mathbf{y}, \quad (1)$$

where the signature matrix $\mathbf{G} = \mathbf{G}^{-1} = \mathbf{I}_{p+1,q}$ is the $(d+1) \times (d+1)$ diagonal matrix with the first $p + 1$ diagonal elements equal to 1 and the remaining q equal to -1. Following general relativity literature and spacetime terminology [4], $\mathbb{R}^{p+1,q}$ has $p + 1$ space dimensions and q time dimensions. Since it is a vector space, we can identify its tangent space to the space itself by means of the natural isomorphism $T_\mathbf{x}\mathbb{R}^{p+1,q} \approx \mathbb{R}^{p+1,q}$. Finally, the Euclidean space $\mathbb{R}^{d+1}$ is the special case of $\mathbb{R}^{d+1,0}$ which contains zero time dimension, and where $\mathbf{G} = \mathbf{I}_{d+1,0} = \mathbf{I}$.

Total space $\mathcal{S}_r^{p,q}$: Our total space $\mathcal{S}_r^{p,q}$ is a pseudo-sphere. It is the following hypersurface:

$$\mathcal{S}_r^{p,q} := \left\{ \mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^{p+1,q} : \langle \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x} \rangle_q = r^2 \right\}, \quad (2)$$

where $r > 0$ is the radius of the pseudo-sphere. It is equivalent to work with $\mathcal{S}_r^{p,q}$ and the pseudo-hyperboloid $\mathcal{Q}_r^{q,p} := \{\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^{q,p+1} : \langle \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x} \rangle_{p+1} = -r^2\}$ as they are anti-isometric (see supp. material). Moreover, the radius $r > 0$ only plays a role of scaling factor and can then be considered to be 1. Finally, both $\mathbf{x} \in \mathcal{S}_r^{p,q}$ and its antipodal point $-\mathbf{x}$ lie on $\mathcal{S}_r^{p,q}$ since $\langle \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x} \rangle_q = \langle -\mathbf{x}, -\mathbf{x} \rangle_q$.

Quotient manifold $\mathcal{P}_r^{p,q}$: We propose to consider as equivalence relation the two-element group $\{\pm 1\}$ consisting of the identity map and the antipodal map $\mathbf{x} \to -\mathbf{x}$. Formally, this means that two points $\mathbf{x}$ and $\mathbf{y}$ are equivalent if $\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{x}$ or $\mathbf{y} = -\mathbf{x}$. We define the following real projective d-space:

$$\mathcal{P}_r^{p,q} := \mathcal{S}_r^{p,q} / \pm 1 = \mathcal{S}_r^{p,q} / \pm \mathbf{I} = \{\{\mathbf{x}, -\mathbf{x}\} : \mathbf{x} \in \mathcal{S}_r^{p,q}\}. \tag{3}$$

Every point of $\mathcal{P}_r^{p,q}$ is an unordered pair that we denote by $[\mathbf{x}] := \{\mathbf{x}, -\mathbf{x}\}$. $[\mathbf{x}]$ is also a submanifold of $\mathcal{S}_r^{p,q}$ and a discrete space. In the following, we explain how $\mathcal{P}_r^{p,q}$ extends spherical geometry to elliptic geometry (i.e., when $q = 0$), or naturally describes hyperbolic geometry (i.e., when $p = 0$).

Elliptic geometry ($q = 0$): In spherical geometry, points lie on the unit d-sphere $\mathcal{S}^d := \mathcal{S}_1^{d,0} = \{\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^{d+1} : \langle \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x} \rangle = 1\}$. The geometry of the real projective d-space $\mathcal{P}^d := \mathcal{S}^d / \pm 1$ is called elliptic geometry [18, 24]. Geodesic distances of $\mathcal{P}^d$ naturally account for the fact that they compare sets. Let $\overline{\mathsf{d}}_{\overline{\gamma}} : \mathcal{S}^d \times \mathcal{S}^d \to \mathbb{R}$ be the geodesic distance of $\mathcal{S}^d$ (i.e., spherical distance), the geodesic distance between $[\mathbf{x}] \in \mathcal{P}^d$ and $[\mathbf{y}] \in \mathcal{P}^d$ is $\mathsf{d}_\gamma([\mathbf{x}], [\mathbf{y}]) = \min_{\mathbf{a} \in [\mathbf{x}], \mathbf{b} \in [\mathbf{y}]} \overline{\mathsf{d}}_{\overline{\gamma}}(\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b})$. We then have:

$$\mathsf{d}_\gamma([\mathbf{x}], [\mathbf{y}]) := \min\{\overline{\mathsf{d}}_{\overline{\gamma}}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}), \overline{\mathsf{d}}_{\overline{\gamma}}(\mathbf{x}, -\mathbf{y})\} = \cos^{-1}(|\langle \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} \rangle_q|) = \cos^{-1}(|\langle \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} \rangle|), \tag{4}$$

which is a distance metric. The fact that the spherical geometry is antipodally symmetric (i.e. every point can be inverted w.r.t. the origin) leads to a duplication of geometric information [18]. Identifying each pair of antipodal points to one point eliminates the antipodal duplication in spherical geometry.

Hyperbolic geometry ($p = 0$) can be described as a quotient manifold. When $p = 0$, the q-dimensional manifold $\mathcal{S}_1^{0,q} \subset \mathbb{R}^{1,q}$ contains two separate sheets (i.e., two connected components) and is anti-isometric to the hyperboloid of two sheets $\mathcal{Q}_1^{q,0}$. The quotient manifold $\mathcal{P}_1^{0,q}$ considers antipodal points lying on different sheets of $\mathcal{S}_1^{0,q}$ as a single point. Indeed, let $\mathbf{x} \in \mathcal{S}_1^{0,q}$ and $\mathbf{z} \in \mathcal{S}_1^{0,q}$ be two points lying on the same sheet of $\mathcal{S}_1^{0,q}$, there exists no geodesic joining $\mathbf{x}$ and $-\mathbf{z}$. Their geodesic distance with respect to $\mathcal{S}_1^{0,q}$ can then be considered to be $\overline{\mathsf{d}}_{\overline{\gamma}}(\mathbf{x}, -\mathbf{z}) = +\infty$, and we have:

$$\mathsf{d}_\gamma([\mathbf{x}], [\mathbf{z}]) := \min\{\overline{\mathsf{d}}_{\overline{\gamma}}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{z}), +\infty\} = \overline{\mathsf{d}}_{\overline{\gamma}}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{z}) = \cosh^{-1}(\langle \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{z} \rangle_q) = \cosh^{-1}(|\langle \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{z} \rangle_q|), \tag{5}$$

which corresponds to the hyperbolic distance metric on the hyperboloid studied in [14].

Ultrahyperbolic geometry: In this paper, we propose a parametric model that learns representations lying on the general projective d-space $\mathcal{P}_r^{p,q}$. As an example, Fig. 1 illustrates the manifold $\mathcal{P}_1^{1,1}$. When both p and q are positive, the metric tensor of the manifold is called indefinite, it is also nondegenerate (see page 343 of [11]). This means that the manifold is pseudo-Riemannian but not Riemannian due to the lack of positive definiteness of the metric tensor. Our main motivation for considering $\mathcal{P}_r^{p,q}$ is that it is more flexible than a sphere or hyperboloid of two sheets since it contains spherical and hyperbolic parts (i.e., space-like and time-like geodesics in Fig. 1, see details in supp. material). This flexibility allows us to better represent graphs that are not entirely trees or cycles, but that contain tree-like or cycle subgraphs. We experimentally verify our intuition.

3 Optimization on Ultrahyperbolic Quotient Manifolds

Our ultrahyperbolic representations lie on the quotient manifold $\mathcal{P}_r^{p,q}$. In this section, we provide differential geometry tools to optimize some differentiable function $f : \mathcal{P}_r^{p,q} \to \mathbb{R}$. To this end, we need the formulation of geodesics of $\mathcal{P}_r^{p,q}$. In Section 3.1, we explain how to formulate tangent vectors of $\mathcal{P}_r^{p,q}$ as a function of tangent vectors of $\mathcal{S}_r^{p,q}$ via the *horizontal lift* operator. This operator allows us to formulate geodesics of $\mathcal{P}_r^{p,q}$ as a function of geodesics of $\mathcal{S}_r^{p,q}$ in Section 3.2. In Section 3.3, we state the properties that the function f has to satisfy due to the quotient nature of $\mathcal{P}_r^{p,q}$. In Section 3.4, we illustrate how to optimize a standard neural network. Our deep GNN that maps activation representations in ultrahyperbolic space at each layer is introduced in Section 4.

3.1 Representing tangent vectors of $\mathcal{P}_r^{p,q}$ only by horizontal tangent vectors of $\mathcal{S}_r^{p,q}$

The tangent space $T_{[\mathbf{x}]}\mathcal{P}_r^{p,q}$ of $\mathcal{P}_r^{p,q}$ at $[\mathbf{x}]$ is an abstract space since $[\mathbf{x}] = \{\mathbf{x}, -\mathbf{x}\}$ is an equivalence class. We now present some differential geometry tools to define tangent vectors of $\mathcal{S}_r^{p,q}$ as a function

122 of tangent vectors of $\mathcal{P}_r^{p,q}$, and vice versa. Their general definitions can be found in Chapter 7 of
123 [15]. Our contribution in this subsection is that we give their formulation for $\mathcal{P}_r^{p,q}$. We first give
124 the formulation of tangent spaces of $\mathcal{S}_r^{p,q}$ and then provide tools to identify tangent vectors of $\mathcal{P}_r^{p,q}$.
125 These tools will be essential to construct geodesics of $\mathcal{P}_r^{p,q}$ and represent them via $\mathcal{S}_r^{p,q}$.

126 **The tangent space** $T_\mathbf{x}\mathcal{S}_r^{p,q}$ of $\mathcal{S}_r^{p,q}$ at $\mathbf{x}$ can be defined as: $T_\mathbf{x}\mathcal{S}_r^{p,q} := \{\boldsymbol{\xi} \in \mathbb{R}^{p+1,q} : \langle\boldsymbol{\xi}, \mathbf{x}\rangle_q = 0\}$.

127 **The canonical map (or natural map [15])** $\pi : \mathcal{S}_r^{p,q} \to \mathcal{P}_r^{p,q}$ is defined as: $\forall \mathbf{x} \in \mathcal{S}_r^{p,q}, \pi(\mathbf{x}) :=$
128 $[\mathbf{x}] = \{\mathbf{x}, -\mathbf{x}\}$. Its differential (or *differential map* [15]) at $\mathbf{x}$ is denoted by $\mathrm{d}\pi_\mathbf{x} : T_\mathbf{x}\mathcal{S}_r^{p,q} \to T_{[\mathbf{x}]}\mathcal{P}_r^{p,q}$.

129 **The horizontal space** $\mathcal{H}_\mathbf{x}$ **and the vertical space** $\mathcal{V}_\mathbf{x}$ at $\mathbf{x} \in \mathcal{S}_r^{p,q}$ are subspaces of $T_\mathbf{x}\mathcal{S}_r^{p,q}$ defined
130 such that $T_\mathbf{x}\mathcal{S}_r^{p,q} = \mathcal{H}_\mathbf{x} \oplus \mathcal{V}_\mathbf{x}$ is a direct sum of linear spaces, and $\mathcal{V}_\mathbf{x}$ is the following kernel:
131 $\mathcal{V}_\mathbf{x} := \ker(\mathrm{d}\pi_\mathbf{x})$. From Proposition 5.38 of [11], we find $\ker(\mathrm{d}\pi_\mathbf{x}) = T_\mathbf{x}([\mathbf{x}]) = \mathbf{0}$ since $[\mathbf{x}]$ is a
132 discrete space so $[\mathbf{x}]$ and its tangent spaces are 0-dimensional. We then have $\mathcal{H}_\mathbf{x} = T_\mathbf{x}\mathcal{S}_r^{p,q}$. Elements
133 of $\mathcal{H}_\mathbf{x}$ are called horizontal vectors, and all the tangent vectors of $\mathcal{S}_r^{p,q}$ are horizontal.

134 **The horizontal lift** (see §29 of [23]) at $\mathbf{x} \in \mathcal{S}_r^{p,q}$ of the tangent vector $\boldsymbol{\xi} \in T_{[\mathbf{x}]}\mathcal{P}_r^{p,q}$ is the unique
135 horizontal vector denoted by $\overline{\boldsymbol{\xi}}_\mathbf{x} = \mathrm{lift}_\mathbf{x}(\boldsymbol{\xi}) \in \mathcal{H}_\mathbf{x}$ such that $(\mathrm{d}\pi_\mathbf{x})(\overline{\boldsymbol{\xi}}_\mathbf{x}) = \boldsymbol{\xi}$. The $\mathrm{lift}_\mathbf{x}$ operator is
136 bijective so tangent vectors in $T_{[\mathbf{x}]}\mathcal{P}_r^{p,q}$ can be equivalently represented by horizontal vectors in
137 $\mathcal{H}_\mathbf{x}$. During optimization, we will exploit this bijection and consider only some specific horizontal
138 space to represent and update the weights of our neural network. The fact that $\mathcal{H}_\mathbf{x} = T_\mathbf{x}\mathcal{S}_r^{p,q}$ is
139 convenient since it implies that any tangent vector in $T_\mathbf{x}\mathcal{S}_r^{p,q}$ can be represented in $T_{[\mathbf{x}]}\mathcal{P}_r^{p,q}$. We can
140 then construct a geodesic of $\mathcal{P}_r^{p,q}$ from any geodesic of $\mathcal{S}_r^{p,q}$ as discussed below.

3.2 Geodesic of $\mathcal{P}_r^{p,q}$, exponential map and parallel transport

142 To optimize over $\mathcal{S}_r^{p,q}$, Law & Stam [10] define tools such as the geodesic, exponential map, logarithm
143 map and the geodesic distance $\overline{\mathrm{d}}_{\overline{\gamma}} : \mathcal{S}_r^{p,q} \times \mathcal{S}_r^{p,q} \to \mathbb{R}$ (see formulations in the supp. material).
144 However, they do not provide the formulation of the parallel transport. We first recall the definition
145 of a geodesic of $\mathcal{S}_r^{p,q}$. Our contribution in this subsection is that we formulate the parallel transport
146 for $\mathcal{S}_r^{p,q}$ and we extend all of the above differential geometry tools to $\mathcal{P}_r^{p,q}$.

147 **The geodesic** $\overline{\gamma}_{\mathbf{x} \to \overline{\boldsymbol{\xi}}_\mathbf{x}} : \mathbb{R} \to \mathcal{S}_r^{p,q}$ of $\mathcal{S}_r^{p,q}$ is the curve defined such that its initial value is $\overline{\gamma}_{\mathbf{x} \to \overline{\boldsymbol{\xi}}_\mathbf{x}}(0) =$
148 $\mathbf{x} \in \mathcal{S}_r^{p,q}$, its initial velocity is $\overline{\gamma}'_{\mathbf{x} \to \overline{\boldsymbol{\xi}}_\mathbf{x}}(0) = \overline{\boldsymbol{\xi}}_\mathbf{x} \in T_\mathbf{x}\mathcal{S}_r^{p,q}$ and its acceleration is zero. When the
149 initial conditions are clear from the context, we denote the geodesic by $\overline{\gamma}$ and ignore its indices. Since
150 every geodesic $\overline{\gamma}$ of $\mathcal{S}_r^{p,q}$ satisfies $\forall t, \overline{\gamma}'(t) \in \mathcal{H}_{\overline{\gamma}(t)}$, it is called horizontal and $\gamma = \pi \circ \overline{\gamma} : \mathbb{R} \to \mathcal{P}_r^{p,q}$
151 is a geodesic of $\mathcal{P}_r^{p,q}$. By the chain rule, we have $\forall t, \gamma'(t) = (\mathrm{d}\pi_{\overline{\gamma}(t)})(\overline{\gamma}'(t))$, which implies
152 $\forall t, \mathrm{lift}_{\overline{\gamma}(t)}(\gamma'(t)) = \overline{\gamma}'(t)$. We then have $\forall t \in \mathbb{R}, \gamma_{[\mathbf{x}] \to \boldsymbol{\xi}}(t) = \{\overline{\gamma}_{\mathbf{x} \to \overline{\boldsymbol{\xi}}_\mathbf{x}}(t), \overline{\gamma}_{-\mathbf{x} \to \overline{\boldsymbol{\xi}}_{-\mathbf{x}}}(t)\}$, and we
153 find $\overline{\boldsymbol{\xi}}_\mathbf{x} = -\overline{\boldsymbol{\xi}}_{-\mathbf{x}}$ to preserve the equivalence between antipodal points: $\overline{\gamma}_{\mathbf{x} \to \overline{\boldsymbol{\xi}}_\mathbf{x}}(t) = -\overline{\gamma}_{-\mathbf{x} \to \overline{\boldsymbol{\xi}}_{-\mathbf{x}}}(t)$.

154 **Exponential and Logarithm map:** The exponential map of $\mathcal{P}_r^{p,q}$ at $[\mathbf{x}]$ is the differentiable mapping
155 $\exp_{[\mathbf{x}]} : T_{[\mathbf{x}]}\mathcal{P}_r^{p,q} \to \mathcal{P}_r^{p,q}$ defined such that $\exp_{[\mathbf{x}]}(\boldsymbol{\xi}) := \gamma_{[\mathbf{x}] \to \boldsymbol{\xi}}(1) = \{\overline{\gamma}_{\mathbf{x} \to \overline{\boldsymbol{\xi}}_\mathbf{x}}(1), \overline{\gamma}_{-\mathbf{x} \to \overline{\boldsymbol{\xi}}_{-\mathbf{x}}}(1)\}$.

156 We denote the exponential map of $\mathcal{S}_r^{p,q}$ at $\mathbf{x}$ by $\overline{\exp}_\mathbf{x} : T_\mathbf{x}\mathcal{S}_r^{p,q} \to \mathcal{S}_r^{p,q}$. It is defined as $\overline{\exp}_\mathbf{x}(\overline{\boldsymbol{\xi}}_\mathbf{x}) :=$
157 $\overline{\gamma}_{\mathbf{x} \to \overline{\boldsymbol{\xi}}_\mathbf{x}}(1)$, and we have $\exp_{[\mathbf{x}]}(\boldsymbol{\xi}) = [\overline{\exp}_\mathbf{x}(\overline{\boldsymbol{\xi}}_\mathbf{x})]$. In practice, we select some reference point $\mathbf{x}$ and
158 only work with the exponential map $\overline{\exp}_\mathbf{x}$. The logarithm map $\log_{[\mathbf{x}]} := \exp_{[\mathbf{x}]}^{-1}$ is the inverse function
159 of the exponential map. Their exact formulation can be found in the supp. material.

160 **Parallel transport on $\mathcal{S}_r^{p,q}$:** Given the minimizing geodesic $\overline{\gamma}$ connecting $\mathbf{x}$ to $\mathbf{y}$, the paral-
161 lel transport $P_{\mathbf{x} \frown \mathbf{y}}^{\overline{\gamma}} : T_\mathbf{x}\mathcal{S}_r^{p,q} \to T_\mathbf{y}\mathcal{S}_r^{p,q}$ is a linear isometry such that $\forall \overline{\boldsymbol{\xi}}_\mathbf{x}, \overline{\boldsymbol{\zeta}}_\mathbf{x}, \langle\overline{\boldsymbol{\xi}}_\mathbf{x}, \overline{\boldsymbol{\zeta}}_\mathbf{x}\rangle_q =$
162 $\langle P_{\mathbf{x} \frown \mathbf{y}}^{\overline{\gamma}}(\overline{\boldsymbol{\xi}}_\mathbf{x}), P_{\mathbf{x} \frown \mathbf{y}}^{\overline{\gamma}}(\overline{\boldsymbol{\zeta}}_\mathbf{x})\rangle_q$. The parallel transport connecting $\mathbf{x}$ to $\mathbf{y}$ (with $\langle\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}\rangle_q > -r^2$) is:

$$P_{\mathbf{x} \frown \mathbf{y}}^{\overline{\gamma}}(\overline{\boldsymbol{\xi}}_\mathbf{x}) := \overline{\boldsymbol{\xi}}_\mathbf{x} - \frac{\langle\mathbf{y}, \overline{\boldsymbol{\xi}}_\mathbf{x}\rangle_q}{\langle\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}\rangle_q + \langle\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}\rangle_q}(\mathbf{y} + \mathbf{x}) = \overline{\boldsymbol{\xi}}_\mathbf{x} - \frac{\langle\mathbf{y}, \overline{\boldsymbol{\xi}}_\mathbf{x}\rangle_q}{\langle\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}\rangle_q + r^2}(\mathbf{y} + \mathbf{x}) \qquad (6)$$

163 **Minimizing geodesic:** It is important to note that the parallel transport depends on a minimizing
164 geodesic (i.e., minimizing the geodesic distance). The geodesic distance of $\mathcal{P}_r^{p,q}$ is formulated:

$$\forall [\mathbf{x}] \in \mathcal{P}_r^{p,q}, [\mathbf{y}] \in \mathcal{P}_r^{p,q}, \ \mathsf{d}_\gamma([\mathbf{x}], [\mathbf{y}]) = \begin{cases} r\cosh^{-1}(|\frac{\langle\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}\rangle_q}{r^2}|) & \text{if } |\frac{\langle\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}\rangle_q}{r^2}| \geq 1 \\ r\cos^{-1}(|\frac{\langle\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}\rangle_q}{r^2}|) & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases} \qquad (7)$$

165 and we have $\overline{\mathsf{d}}_{\overline{\gamma}}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) < \overline{\mathsf{d}}_{\overline{\gamma}}(-\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})$ iff $\langle \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} \rangle_q > 0$. See details in supp. material.

166 **The parallel transport** $P^{\gamma}_{[\mathbf{x}] \curvearrowright [\mathbf{y}]}$ **on** $\mathcal{P}^{p,q}_r$ can be horizontally lifted on $\mathcal{H}_{\mathbf{y}}$ as discussed above:

$$\text{lift}_{\mathbf{y}}(P^{\gamma}_{[\mathbf{x}] \curvearrowright [\mathbf{y}]}(\boldsymbol{\xi})) = \left\{ \begin{array}{ll} P^{\overline{\gamma}}_{\mathbf{x} \curvearrowright \mathbf{y}}(\overline{\boldsymbol{\xi}}_{\mathbf{x}}) & \text{if } \langle \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} \rangle_q > 0 \\ P^{\overline{\gamma}}_{-\mathbf{x} \curvearrowright \mathbf{y}}(\overline{\boldsymbol{\xi}}_{-\mathbf{x}}) & \text{if } \langle \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} \rangle_q < 0. \end{array} \right. \tag{8}$$

167 If $\langle \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} \rangle_q = 0$, we have $\overline{\mathsf{d}}_{\overline{\gamma}}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) = \overline{\mathsf{d}}_{\overline{\gamma}}(-\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})$ and there exist two minimizing geodesics joining $[\mathbf{x}]$
168 and $[\mathbf{y}]$. In practice, both geodesics can both be used for parallel transport in this case.

3.3 Optimized function $f : \mathcal{P}^{p,q}_r \to \mathbb{R}$

170 Our goal is to minimize some differentiable function $f : \mathcal{P}^{p,q}_r \to \mathbb{R}$. We describe the two properties
171 that f has to satisfy. We first recall that every $[\mathbf{x}] \in \mathcal{P}^{p,q}_r$ is a set of equivalent elements that should
172 preserve invariance. To simplify explanations, we consider the function $\overline{f} : \mathcal{S}^{p,q}_r \to \mathbb{R}$ defined such
173 that $\overline{f} := f \circ \pi$. We then have $\forall \mathbf{x} \in \mathcal{S}^{p,q}_r$, $\overline{f}(\mathbf{x}) = f([\mathbf{x}])$.

174 **Property 1:** Since $\mathbf{x}$ and $-\mathbf{x}$ are equivalent, the first property that f has to satisfy is $\overline{f}(\mathbf{x}) = \overline{f}(-\mathbf{x})$.

175 **Property 2:** Let $\nabla \overline{f}(\mathbf{x}) := (\partial \overline{f}(\mathbf{x})/\partial x_0, \cdots, \partial \overline{f}(\mathbf{x})/\partial x_d)^{\top}$ be the Euclidean gradient of $\overline{f}$ at $\mathbf{x} =$
176 $(x_0, \ldots, x_d)^{\top}$. The pseudo-Riemannian gradient of $\overline{f}$ at $\mathbf{x} \in \mathcal{S}^{p,q}_r$ is $D\overline{f}(\mathbf{x}) := \Pi_{\mathbf{x}}(\mathbf{G}^{-1} \nabla \overline{f}(\mathbf{x})) =$
177 $\Pi_{\mathbf{x}}(\mathbf{G} \nabla \overline{f}(\mathbf{x})) \in T_{\mathbf{x}} \mathcal{S}^{p,q}_r$ where $\Pi_{\mathbf{x}}(\mathbf{z}) := \mathbf{z} - \frac{\langle \mathbf{z}, \mathbf{x} \rangle_q}{\langle \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x} \rangle_q} \mathbf{x}$ is the orthogonal projection of $\mathbf{z}$ onto $T_{\mathbf{x}} \mathcal{S}^{p,q}_r$.

178 Let $Df([\mathbf{x}]) \in T_{[\mathbf{x}]} \mathcal{P}^{p,q}_r$ be the pseudo-Riemannian gradient of f at $[\mathbf{x}] \in \mathcal{P}^{p,q}_r$. By applying the
179 chain rule, the second property that f has to satisfy is $\text{lift}_{\mathbf{x}}(Df([\mathbf{x}])) = D\overline{f}(\mathbf{x}) = -D\overline{f}(-\mathbf{x})$.

3.4 Optimization of parametric models

181 We now explain how to minimize some function $f : \mathcal{P}^{p,q}_r \to \mathbb{R}$ that takes as input the ultrahyperbolic
182 representation returned by some parametric model φ_{θ} (e.g., a neural network with parameters θ) that
183 we want to learn. We exploit the fact that, due to the (affine) Levi-Civita connection [15], the metric
184 of the manifold $\mathcal{P}^{p,q}_r$ is preserved when we work with its tangent spaces via the exponential map.

185 **Forward pass:** Let us consider the positive pole $\mathbf{p} = (r, 0, \cdots, 0)^{\top} \in \mathcal{S}^{p,q}_r$ defined such that
186 only its first element $r > 0$ is nonzero. The horizontal space of $\mathbf{p}$ can be defined as the following
187 vector space $\mathcal{H}_{\mathbf{p}} = T_{\mathbf{p}} \mathcal{S}^{p,q}_r = \{0\} \times \mathbb{R}^{p,q}$. The mapping $\varphi_{\theta} : \mathcal{X} \to \mathcal{H}_{\mathbf{p}}$ maps any input data
188 $x \in \mathcal{X}$ to $\mathcal{H}_{\mathbf{p}}$ and the resulting horizontal vector is mapped to $\mathcal{S}^{p,q}_r$ with the exponential map as
189 follows: $\mathbf{x} := \overline{\exp}_{\mathbf{p}}(\varphi_{\theta}(x)) \in \mathcal{S}^{p,q}_r$. As mentioned above, working with the vector space $\mathcal{H}_{\mathbf{p}}$ greatly
190 simplifies computations and preserves the metric of $\mathcal{P}^{p,q}_r$ thanks to the Levi-Civita connection.

191 Note that for standard neural networks that map to $\mathbb{R}^d$, the tangent space is identified to the space
192 itself by the natural isomorphism $T_{\mathbf{x}} \mathbb{R}^d \approx \mathbb{R}^d$ so the network weights also implicitly lie in the tangent
193 space. Our approach generalizes Euclidean neural networks when the manifold is not a vector space.

194 **Backward pass:** We assume that the minimized function $\overline{f} : \mathcal{S}^{p,q}_r \to \mathbb{R}$ satisfies the properties
195 mentioned in Section 3.3. By exploiting Eq. (8), the horizontal lift of the parallel translated gradient
196 $Df([\mathbf{x}])$ can be formulated as follows:

$$\boldsymbol{\lambda}_{[\mathbf{x}], \mathbf{p}} := \text{lift}_{\mathbf{p}}\left(P^{\gamma}_{[\mathbf{x}] \curvearrowright [\mathbf{p}]}(Df([\mathbf{x}]))\right) = \left\{ \begin{array}{ll} P^{\overline{\gamma}}_{\mathbf{x} \curvearrowright \mathbf{p}}(D\overline{f}(\mathbf{x})) & \text{if } \langle \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{p} \rangle_q \geq 0 \\ P^{\overline{\gamma}}_{-\mathbf{x} \curvearrowright \mathbf{p}}(-D\overline{f}(\mathbf{x})) & \text{otherwise.} \end{array} \right. \tag{9}$$

197 **Descent direction:** When the metric tensor of the manifold is not positive definite, the manifold is
198 not Riemannian and the negative of $\boldsymbol{\lambda}_{[\mathbf{x}], \mathbf{p}}$ is not a descent direction [6]. Nonetheless, $\mathbf{G} \boldsymbol{\lambda}_{[\mathbf{x}], \mathbf{p}}$ lies in
199 the vector space $\{0\} \times \mathbb{R}^d$ equipped with the (positive definite) dot product. The negative of $\mathbf{G} \boldsymbol{\lambda}_{[\mathbf{x}], \mathbf{p}}$
200 is then a descent direction that can be used to optimize the parameters of φ_{θ} with standard descent
201 algorithms (see supp. material and Section 3.2 of [6]). We illustrate one such example in Section 5.1.

202 **Complexity:** Our optimizer exploits efficient closed-form expressions on the manifold $\mathcal{S}^{p,q}_r$ by
203 considering $\mathbf{x}$ or its antipodal point $-\mathbf{x}$ depending on its geodesic distance with the positive pole $\mathbf{p}$.
204 This geodesic distance depends only on the sign of $\langle \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{p} \rangle_q$, which is also the sign of the first element
205 $\mathbf{x}$ since only the first element of $\mathbf{p}$ is nonzero. Our operators generalize tools used in hyperbolic space
206 and are then as efficient as hyperbolic approaches.

 4   Ultrahyperbolic Graph Convolutional Network (GCN)

208   We now extend the hyperbolic graph neural networks introduced in [12] to $\mathcal{P}_r^{p,q}$.

209   **Graph Neural Networks:** We first provide some background on Graph Neural Networks (GNNs)
210   which can be interpreted as parametric models performing message passing between nodes of a graph.
211   We recall the formulation of Graph Convolutional Networks (GCNs) [9] and rewrite them in our
212   formalism with quotient manifolds. Let $G = (V, E)$ be a undirected graph containing $n = |V|$ nodes
213   and $m = |E|$ edges. Its adjacency matrix is denoted by $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$. To account for self-loops, Liu *et*
214   *al.* [12] consider the matrix $\tilde{\mathbf{A}} = \mathbf{D}^{-1/2}(\mathbf{A}+\mathbf{I})\mathbf{D}^{-1/2}$ where $\mathbf{D}$ is the diagonal degree matrix defined
215   such that $\mathbf{D}_{ii} = \sum_j \tilde{\mathbf{A}}_{ij}$. The vector representation of node v at step k is denoted by $\mathbf{h}_v^k \in \mathbb{R}^d$, and
216   $\mathbf{h}_v^0$ is given. $\mathbf{W}^k$ is a matrix whose elements are the trainable parameters of the k-th layer. The
217   information in the Euclidean GCN propagates as: $\mathbf{h}_u^{k+1} = \sigma\left(\sum_{v \in \mathcal{I}(u)} \tilde{\mathbf{A}}_{uv}\mathbf{W}^k\mathbf{h}_v^k\right)$ where $\mathcal{I}(u)$ is
218   the set of in-neighbors of $u \in V$ (i.e. u and v are joined by an edge) and σ is a nonlinear activation
219   function such as the element-wise Rectified Linear Unit (ReLU).

220   **Ultrahyperbolic GNN:** Let us now consider that $\forall v, k, \mathbf{h}_v^k \in \mathcal{P}_r^{p,q}$. Since $\mathcal{P}_r^{p,q}$ is not a vector space,
221   the operation $\mathbf{W}^k\mathbf{h}_v^k$ is not defined, and the activation function σ has to be adapted. As in Section 3.4,
222   we exploit the Levi-Civita connection to work with the tangent spaces of $\mathcal{P}_r^{p,q}$ via the exponential
223   map and its inverse (i.e., logarithm map). The propagation is then extended to $\mathcal{P}_r^{p,q}$ by:

$$\mathbf{h}_u^{k+1} := \sigma\left(\left[\overline{\exp}_{\mathbf{p}}\left(\sum_{v \in \mathcal{I}(u)} \tilde{\mathbf{A}}_{uv}\mathbf{W}^k\, \mathrm{lift}_{\mathbf{p}}\left(\log_{[\mathbf{p}]}(\mathbf{h}_v^k)\right)\right)\right]\right) \in \mathcal{P}_r^{p,q}, \qquad (10)$$

224   where $\mathbf{p} = (r, 0, \cdots, 0)^\top$ is the positive pole and we exploit the logarithm map to map points of $\mathcal{P}_r^{p,q}$
225   to a single tangent space. As explained in Section 3, in practice, we use the horizontal lift operator so
226   that the exponential and logarithm maps only consider the horizontal space $\mathcal{H}_{\mathbf{p}}$ during optimization
227   (see supp. material for details). The hyperbolic GNN [12] corresponds to the special case where
228   $\mathcal{P}_r^{p,q} = \mathcal{P}_1^{0,q}$ (i.e., $p = 0$). We now give the formulation of the activation function σ.

229   **Activation function via stereographic projection:** For simplicity of exposition, we now consider
230   that the radius of $\mathcal{S}_r^{p,q}$ is $r = 1$. To enforce nonlinearity between the different layers of the
231   hyperbolic graph neural network, Liu et al. [12] formulate their activation function as the result of a
232   steoreographic projection onto the negative pole $-\mathbf{p}$ from the hyperboloid model to the Poincaré ball,
233   followed by a ReLU activation (in the Poincaré ball) and an inverse steoreographic projection from
234   the Poincaré ball to the hyperboloid. We explain below how to generalize σ to pseudo-spheres.

235   Let us note $\varepsilon \in \{-1, 1\}$. The pole $\varepsilon\mathbf{p} = (\varepsilon, 0, \cdots, 0)^\top$ is positive if $\varepsilon = 1$, and negative if $\varepsilon = -1$.
236   Let us consider a point $\mathbf{x} = (x_0, x_1, \cdots, x_d)^\top \in \mathcal{S}_1^{p,q}$ with $x_0 > 0$ (i.e., lying on the positive
237   hemisphere). The stereographic projection of $\mathbf{x}$ onto $\varepsilon\mathbf{p}$ is $\mathbf{a} = \omega_\varepsilon(\mathbf{x}) := \frac{1}{1-\varepsilon x_0}(x_1, x_2, \cdots, x_d)^\top$. If
238   $x_0 < 0$, we equivalently consider that $\mathbf{a} = \omega_\varepsilon(-\mathbf{x}) = -\omega_{-\varepsilon}(\mathbf{x})$ instead of $\omega_\varepsilon(\mathbf{x})$ due to the quotient
239   nature of $\mathcal{P}_r^{p,q}$ and to account for the fact that $[\mathbf{x}]$ is projected onto the pole of different hemisphere if
240   $\varepsilon = -1$, or same hemisphere if $\varepsilon = 1$. The inverse projection of $\mathbf{a} = (a_1, \cdots, a_d)^\top \in \mathbb{R}^{p,q}$ is:

$$\omega_\varepsilon^{-1}(\mathbf{a}) := \frac{1}{1 + \langle \mathbf{a}, \mathbf{a} \rangle_q}\begin{pmatrix} \varepsilon(\langle \mathbf{a}, \mathbf{a} \rangle_q - 1) \\ 2\mathbf{a} \end{pmatrix} \in \mathcal{S}_1^{p,q} \quad \text{where } \langle \mathbf{a}, \mathbf{a} \rangle_q := \sum_{i=1}^p a_i^2 - \sum_{j=p+1}^d a_j^2. \quad (11)$$

241   To generalize the activation function σ in [12], we formulate $\sigma([\mathbf{x}]) = [\omega_\varepsilon^{-1}(\mathrm{ReLU}(\omega_\varepsilon(\mathbf{x})))]$ if
242   $x_0 \geq 0$, and $\sigma([\mathbf{x}]) = [\omega_\varepsilon^{-1}(\mathrm{ReLU}(\omega_\varepsilon(-\mathbf{x})))]$ otherwise, where ReLU is applied element-wise only
243   on the q time dimensions of the input vector. This avoids having a zero denominator in Eq. (11). As
244   in [12], we consider $\varepsilon = -1$. It is worth noting that Liu *et al.* [12] work with the upper sheet of the
245   hyperboloid $\mathcal{Q}_1^{q,0}$ which is anti-isometric to $\mathcal{S}_1^{0,q}$. Their stereographic projection then contains only
246   space dimensions. Their space dimensions correspond to our time dimensions due to anti-isometry.

247   **5   Experiments**

248   We now evaluate our approach on different classification tasks on graphs. We first show that our
249   optimization framework introduced in Section 3.4 converges and learns meaningful representations
250   on a toy hierarchical graph with cycles. We then apply our framework in standard classification tasks.

Figure 2: (left) Loss values of Eq. (12) as a function of the number of iterations for different values of p when $\mathcal{P}_r^{p,q}$ is 4-dimensional. (right) Stereographic projection onto $-\mathbf{p}$ of representations lying on $\mathcal{P}_1^{1,1}$ and learned from Zachary's karate club. Node colors define the faction joined by the members.

Table 1: Evaluation scores for the different learned representations (mean $\pm$ standard deviation)

Evaluation metric	$\mathbb{R}^4$ (Euclidean)	$\mathcal{P}_1^{0,4}$ (Hyperbolic)	$\mathcal{P}_1^{1,3}$	$\mathcal{P}_1^{2,2}$	$\mathcal{P}_1^{3,1}$	$\mathcal{P}_1^{4,0}$ (Elliptic)
Rank of first leader	4.6 ± 1.0	2.5 ± 0.7	$\mathbf{1.2 \pm 0.4}$	1.3 ± 0.7	$\mathbf{1.2 \pm 0.4}$	2.5 ± 0.8
Rank of second leader	6.9 ± 0.7	3.8 ± 1.0	$\mathbf{2.7 \pm 0.7}$	3.1 ± 1.0	4.4 ± 3.0	3.6 ± 0.7
top 5 Spearman's ρ	0.06 ± 0.45	0.36 ± 0.22	0.62 ± 0.23	0.61 ± 0.28	$\mathbf{0.63 \pm 0.35}$	0.46 ± 0.29
top 10 Spearman's ρ	0.04 ± 0.19	0.38 ± 0.18	$\mathbf{0.73 \pm 0.12}$	0.72 ± 0.07	0.63 ± 0.16	0.38 ± 0.26
Training time (seconds)	$\mathbf{340 \pm 4}$	424 ± 1	429 ± 1	430 ± 2	429 ± 1	402 ± 1

5.1 Last layer optimization on a toy dataset

We evaluate our optimization framework by training a multi-layer perceptron (MLP) $\varphi_\theta : \mathcal{X} \to \mathcal{H}_{\mathbf{p}}$ whose set of parameters is called θ. As in [10], we test our approach on Zachary's karate club dataset [26]. However, instead of learning embeddings, we train a parametric model.

Zachary's dataset is a social network graph that represents a karate club split in two factions due to a conflict between two leaders (the instructor and the administrator). It is an undirected graph $G = (V, E)$ which has node-set $V = \{v_i\}_{i=1}^n$ and edge-set $E = \{e_k\}_{k=1}^m$ where $n = 34$ and $m = 78$. Each node v_i represents a karate member and an edge joins two nodes if the two members are friends. The two leaders are v_1 and v_{34}. We consider that each node v_i is represented as a distinct n-dimensional one-hot vector $\boldsymbol{x}_i \in \mathcal{X}$.

Problem: Following [10], our goal is to learn representations of nodes such that pairs of nodes joined by an edge (i.e., in E) have smaller distance than pairs of nodes that are not joined by an edge (i.e., not in E). Our problem is then to find the set of parameters θ that minimizes the objective function:

$$\sum_{(v_i, v_j) \in E} - \log \frac{\exp\left(-\mathsf{d}(\varrho_\theta(\boldsymbol{x}_i), \varrho_\theta(\boldsymbol{x}_j))/\tau\right)}{\sum_{(v_a, v_b) \in \mathcal{W}_{ij}} \exp\left(-\mathsf{d}(\varrho_\theta(\boldsymbol{x}_a), \varrho_\theta(\boldsymbol{x}_b))/\tau\right)} \text{ where } \varrho_\theta(\boldsymbol{x}_i) := \left[\overline{\exp}_{\mathbf{p}}\left(\varphi_\theta(\boldsymbol{x}_i)\right)\right] \quad (12)$$

and where $\mathcal{W}_{ij} = \{(v_i, v_j)\} \cup \{(v_a, v_b) \notin E\}$, $\tau = 10^{-2}$ is a fixed temperature value, and d denotes the geodesic distance of the manifold (e.g., Eq. (7) for $\mathcal{P}_r^{p,q}$). The geodesic distance satisfies the two properties defined in Section 3.3 with respect to each input and can then be used for optimization.

Model: Our MLP $\varphi_\theta : \mathcal{X} \to \mathcal{H}_{\mathbf{p}}$ contains three hidden layers of 10^4 hidden units each, with standard ReLU as nonlinear activation function. In this toy experiment, our MLP is standard, with the only exception that its last layer maps to the horizontal space $\mathcal{H}_{\mathbf{p}} = \{0\} \times \mathbb{R}^{p,q}$ of the positive pole $\mathbf{p}$. The output representation is then mapped with the exponential map as explained in Section 3.4.

Optimizer: We use the optimizer introduced in Section 3.4 to update θ. By using the descent direction $-\mathbf{G}\boldsymbol{\lambda}_{[\mathbf{x}_i], \mathbf{p}}$ for each sample $[\mathbf{x}_i] = \varrho_\theta(\boldsymbol{x}_i)$, all the parameters of our standard MLP lie in some space equipped with a positive definite metric tensor. Standard backpropagation is then used to optimize the parameters. As an illustration, we consider the 4-dimensional manifold $\mathcal{P}_1^{p,q}$

Table 2: Statistics of the citation network datasets.

Name	# Nodes	# Edges	# Classes	# Features	# training nodes per category
Citeseer	3,327	4,732	6	3,703	20
Cora	2,708	5,429	7	1,433	20
Pubmed	19,717	44,338	3	500	20

Table 3: Test node classification accuracy with 4-dimensional manifolds

Dataset	$\mathbb{R}^4$ (standard GCN)	$\mathcal{P}_1^{0,4}$ (Hyperbolic)	$\mathcal{P}_1^{1,3}$	$\mathcal{P}_1^{2,2}$	$\mathcal{P}_1^{3,1}$	$\mathcal{P}_1^{4,0}$ (Elliptic)
Citeseer	44.5 ± 5.9	46.7 ± 1.8	$\mathbf{51.8 \pm 2.6}$	50.3 ± 2.1	51.4 ± 3.2	47.2 ± 2.6
Cora	53.5 ± 4.3	56.2 ± 3.1	63.2 ± 3.3	63.9 ± 3.1	$\mathbf{64.7 \pm 5.3}$	61.4 ± 1.5
Pubmed	66.9 ± 2.3	71.5 ± 2.9	$\mathbf{73.1 \pm 0.6}$	72.8 ± 2.7	71.2 ± 2.7	71.0 ± 2.7

(i.e., $p + q = 4$) and show in Fig. 2 (left) the loss values of Eq. (12) as a function of the number of iterations for different values of $p \in \{0, \ldots, 4\}$. The figure shows that the optimization framework in Section 3.4 decreases the loss value. Moreover, it is worth noting that the algorithm does not converge if $-\boldsymbol{\lambda}_{[\mathbf{x}_i],\mathbf{p}}$ is used as a search direction (instead of $-\mathbf{G}\boldsymbol{\lambda}_{[\mathbf{x}_i],\mathbf{p}}$) when the metric tensor is not positive definite since $-\boldsymbol{\lambda}_{[\mathbf{x}_i],\mathbf{p}}$ is not a descent direction [6]. More details can be found in the supp. material.

Hierarchy extraction: We now evaluate the quality of the learned representations in the task of predicting the high-level nodes of the graph. Our evaluation protocol is similar to [10], the only difference is that we train a neural network. We run 10 random initializations for each considered 4-dimensional manifold and report in Table 1 the mean and standard deviation of the different evaluation metrics. We do not consider products of Riemannian space forms (e.g., n-dimensional torus) as baselines as we could similarly consider products of pseudo-spheres for evaluation.

As in [10], following the idea that hyperbolic distances grow exponentially from the origin, we take the sum of distances $\delta_i = \sum_{j=1}^{n} \mathsf{d}([\mathbf{x}_i], [\mathbf{x}_j])$ of a node v_i with all the other nodes as an indicator of importance. We sort the different $\delta_1, \cdots, \delta_n$ in ascending order and report the rank of the two leaders (instructor and administrator, in no particular order) in the first two rows of Table 1. The leaders tend to have smaller δ_i score than low-level nodes with ultrahyperbolic distances, which means that high-level nodes tend to be closer to the rest of the nodes in ultrahyperbolic space.

We also measure the Spearman's rank correlation coefficient [22] between the 5 (or 10) most important nodes in the hierarchy and their corresponding δ_i score. Once again, the order of the δ_i scores is more correlated with the hierarchy level in ultrahyperbolic space. Our experimental results are comparable with [10] although our nodes are represented on a quotient manifold and we learn a parametric model. Fig. 2 (right) illustrates our learned representations when the manifold is $\mathcal{P}_1^{1,1}$.

Training times: We report in Table 1 the training times of our Pytorch [16] implementation to train 25,000 iterations on a machine equipped with a 6-core Intel i7-7800X CPU and NVIDIA GeForce RTX 3090 GPU. All the representations lying on a non-flat manifold have comparable training times. Nonetheless, they are 25% slower than the Euclidean approach because they compute the pseudo-Riemannian gradient (which requires an orthogonal projection) and parallel transport.

5.2 Classification with ultrahyperbolic graph convolutional networks

The previous subsection analyzed our framework. We now evaluate it in standard classification tasks.

Node classification: We now evaluate the generalization performance of our GCN in the semi-supervised node classification task on three citation network datasets: Citeseer, Cora and Pubmed [20]. They contain sparse bag-of-words feature vectors for each document and a list of citation links between documents. Each document is a node and has a class label. Each citation link is an undirected edge. Dataset statistics are reported in Table 2. During training, all the nodes and edges are preserved, but only 20 nodes per class are labeled, and 500 nodes are used for validation in total, the rest for test. We follow the experimental protocol of Appendix A of [12] and learn a GCN with 2 hidden layers. When the dimensionality of each layer is $d = 600$, all the Euclidean (i.e., standard), Hyperbolic and Ultrahyperbolic GCNs reach the same test accuracy because the model is overparameterized and quickly attains 100% accuracy on the training set. See details and scores in supp. material.

Table 4: Statistics of the graph datasets used for the classification task

Name	# graphs	# classes	Avg. # nodes	Avg. # edges	Type of dataset
Collab	5,000	3	74.49	2457.78	Scientific collaboration dataset [25]
D&D	1,178	2	284.32	715.66	Protein dataset [19]
Enzymes	600	6	32.63	62.14	Protein dataset [19]
Proteins	1,113	2	39.06	72.82	Protein dataset [19]
Reddit-multi-12K	11,929	11	391.41	456.89	Social network dataset [25]

Table 5: Graph classification accuracy in percents. d is the dimensionality of the manifold.

Method	Collab ($d = 64$)	D&D ($d = 88$)	Enzymes ($d = 256$)	Proteins ($d = 100$)	Reddit ($d = 100$)
Euclidean (standard GCN)	81.88 ± 1.76	76.93 ± 7.21	43.83 ± 10.3	75.46 ± 3.88	45.65 ± 1.76
Poincaré (hyperbolic)	80.92 ± 1.99	75.89 ± 8.53	44.15 ± 8.43	73.64 ± 4.64	45.84 ± 1.42
Lorentz (hyperbolic)	81.32 ± 1.21	77.10 ± 6.65	44.83 ± 8.14	74.16 ± 3.25	45.39 ± 1.53
Ultrahyperbolic	$\mathbf{82.26 \pm 1.23}$	$\mathbf{81.97 \pm 3.41}$	$\mathbf{50.50 \pm 6.71}$	$\mathbf{76.56 \pm 2.09}$	$\mathbf{47.08 \pm 1.26}$

Due to the problem mentioned above, we trained GCNs whose dimensionality of each layer is $d = 4$ with 100 random initializations. The results reported in Table 3 show the superiority of ultrahyperbolic representations in low-dimensional space for node classification of hierarchical graphs with cycles. We also report results for $d = 10$ in the supp. material. The conclusion is similar.

Graph classification: We also evaluate our approach on commonly used graph kernel benchmark datasets [8] whose statistics are reported in Table 4. The evaluation is done via 10-fold cross validation. We use the same protocol evaluation and splits as in Appendix E of [12] and evaluate our approach in the same settings including same number of GNN layers, optimizers, learning rate, and manifold dimensionality d reported in Table 5. The only difference is that the data is represented in a projective space $\mathcal{P}_r^{p,q}$ that has two space dimensions (i.e., $p = 1$) in the ultrahyperbolic case. The comparative performances are reported in Table 5 and show that ultrahyperbolic representations significantly improve performance on the D&D and Enzymes datasets, which are protein datasets from [19]. The gain is less significant on the other datasets but our approach is still competitive. It seems that the advantage of our approach over hyperbolic approaches is more visible for protein structures than for social networks, at least in high-dimensional space. More details can be found in the supp. material.

6   Conclusion, Limitations and Potential Societal Impacts

We have introduced neural networks that map data to a (quotient) pseudo-Riemannian manifold of constant nonzero curvature. Our considered geometry generalizes both hyperbolic and elliptic geometries. It is the first neural network that maps data to a non-Riemannian manifold to the best of our knowledge. Our framework is general and can be applied to many parametric models and tasks. We demonstrate this via graph convolutional networks and show improved performance compared to Euclidean and hyperbolic approaches to represent hierarchical graphs in different tasks.

Limitations: Our main contribution is a solid optimization framework that is well defined thanks to the use of standard differential geometry tools (e.g., canonical map and horizontal bundle) that we formulate for our manifold. It only requires the properties of the optimized function in Section 3.3 to be satisfied. This is for instance the case if points of the manifold are compared with the geodesic distance in Eq. (13). We applied our framework on nine different datasets with (at least 10) different runs to validate our results. Our work lacks a theoretical analysis similar to Gromov's work [7] in the case of graphs without cycles. However, the optimal geometry for graphs with cycles is still an open problem, and hyperbolic geometry is used heuristically in this case. Our motivation is that ultrahyperbolic manifolds are more general than hyperbolic and elliptic manifolds, they can then combine the strengths of the two induced geometries. We experimentally validate our assumption in different tasks and leave the theoretical analysis for future work.

Potential societal impacts: Our contributions are mainly methodological although we apply our approach to hierarchical graphs that could represent social networks. Improving accuracy on these datasets might facilitate the task of discovering leaders in social networks, which could have negative impact if not monitored. Nonetheless, we also show improvement on protein structures, this could have positive impacts on society and healthcare. We did not exploit any personally identifiable information. We used datasets that have been publicly available to the machine learning community for years. Our method to handle and process the data is standard in the graph community.

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