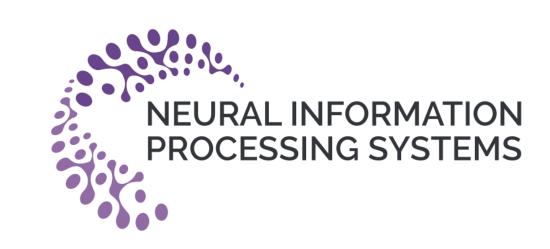
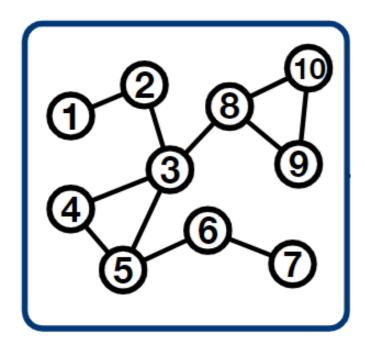
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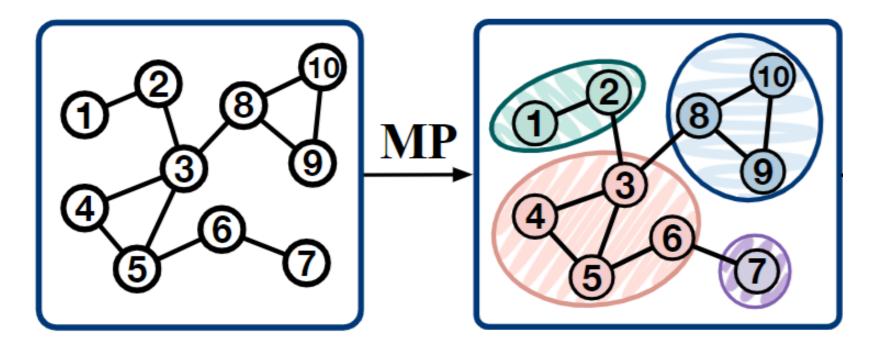


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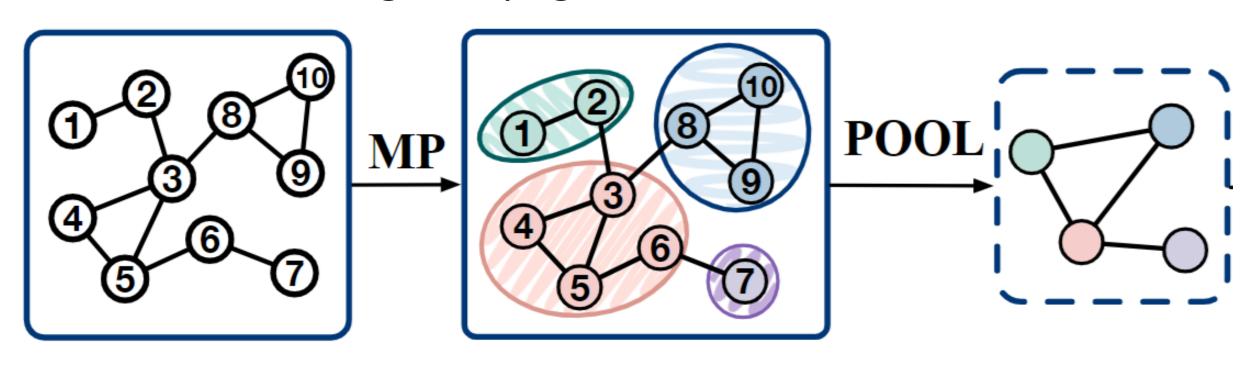


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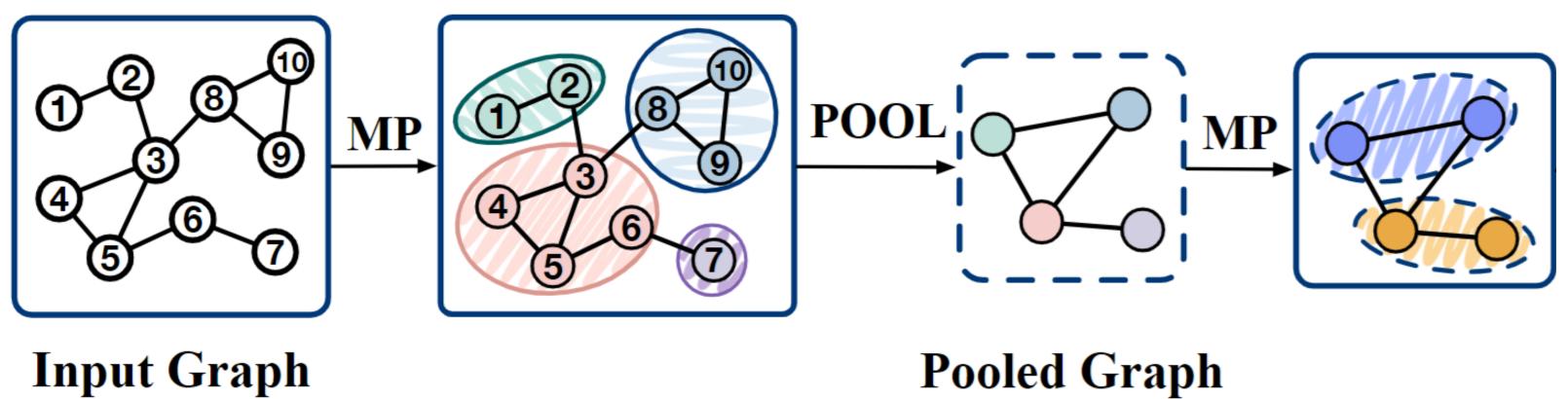
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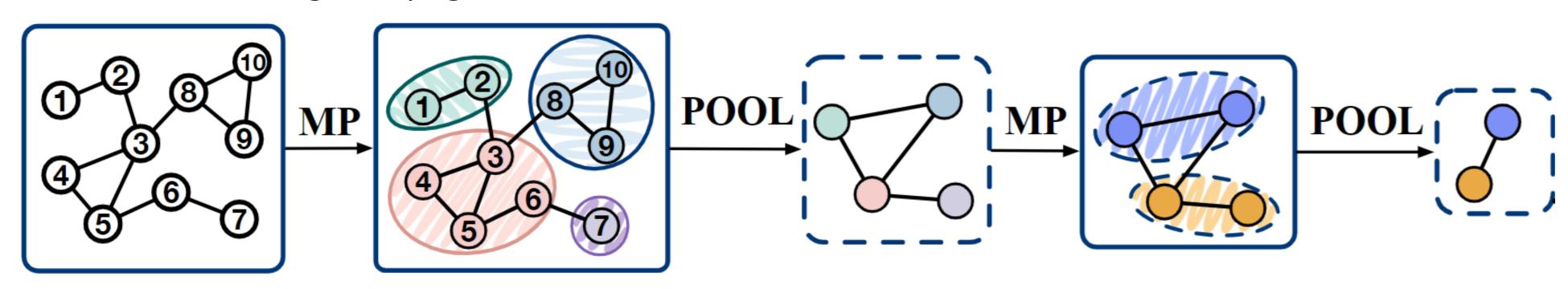


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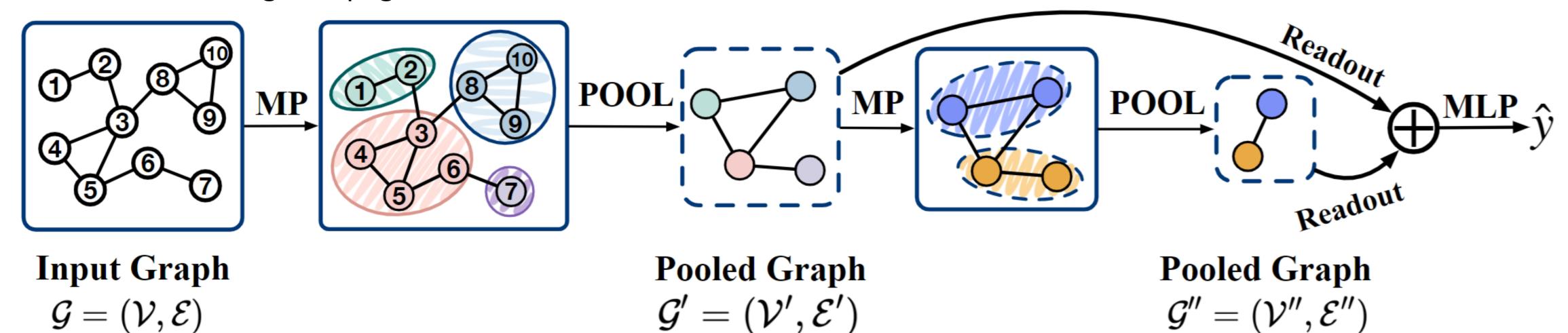
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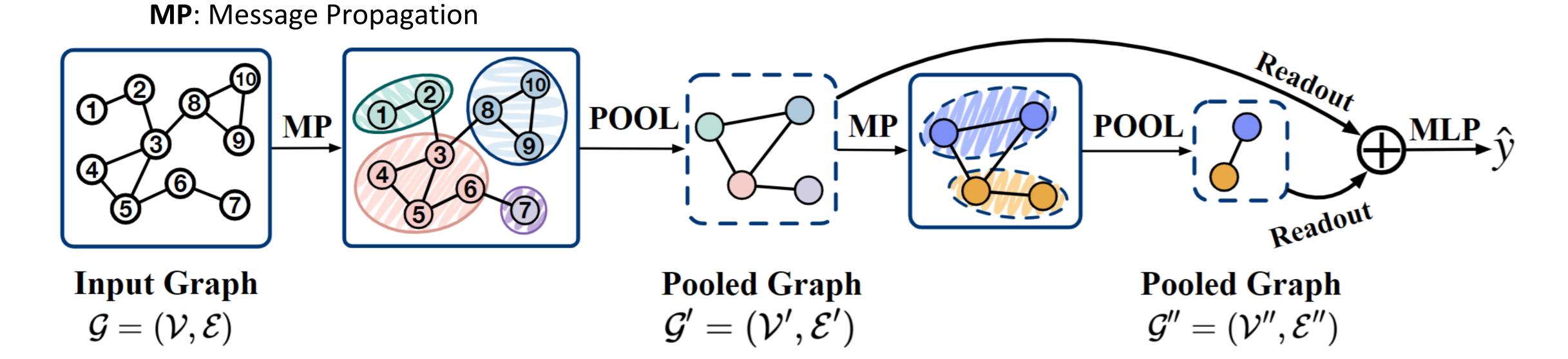
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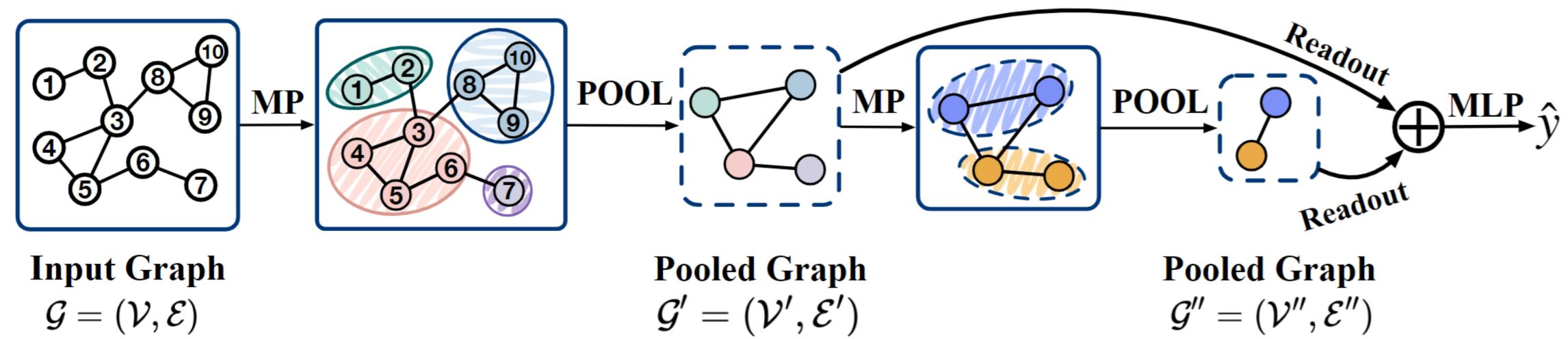
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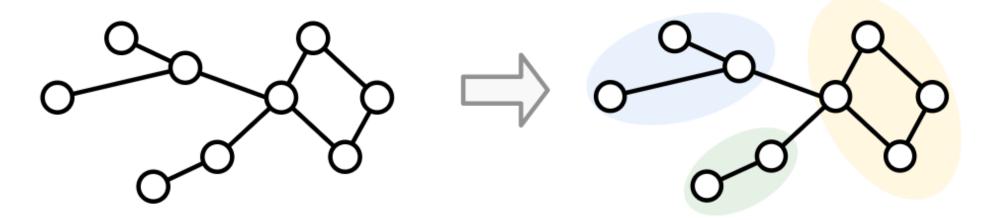
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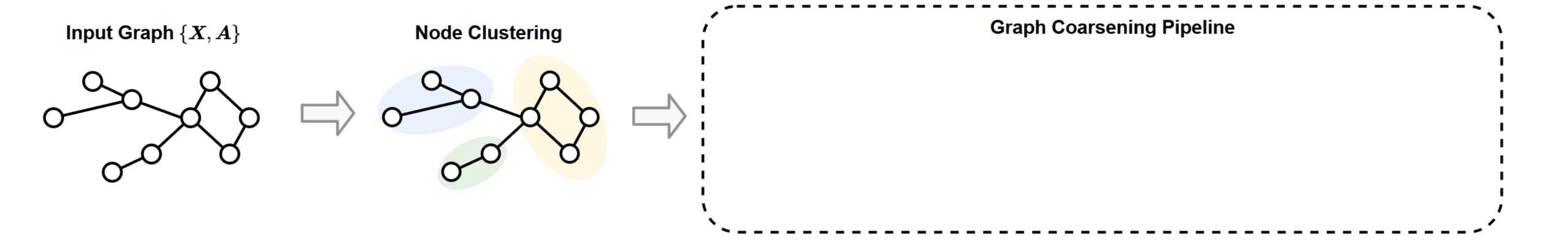
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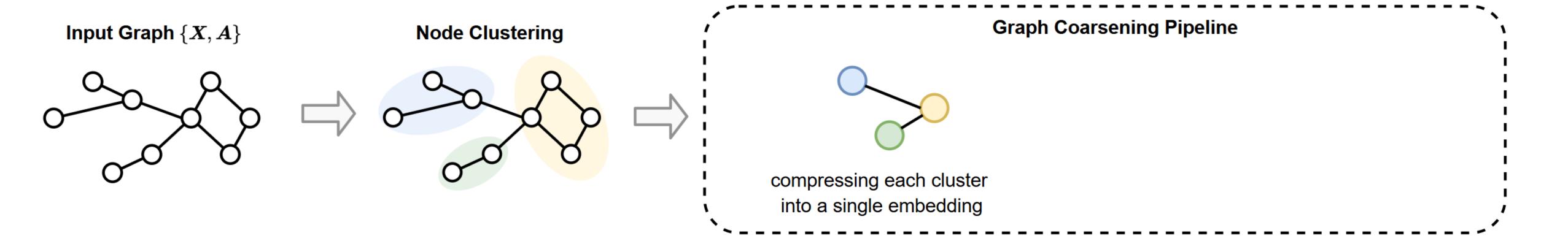
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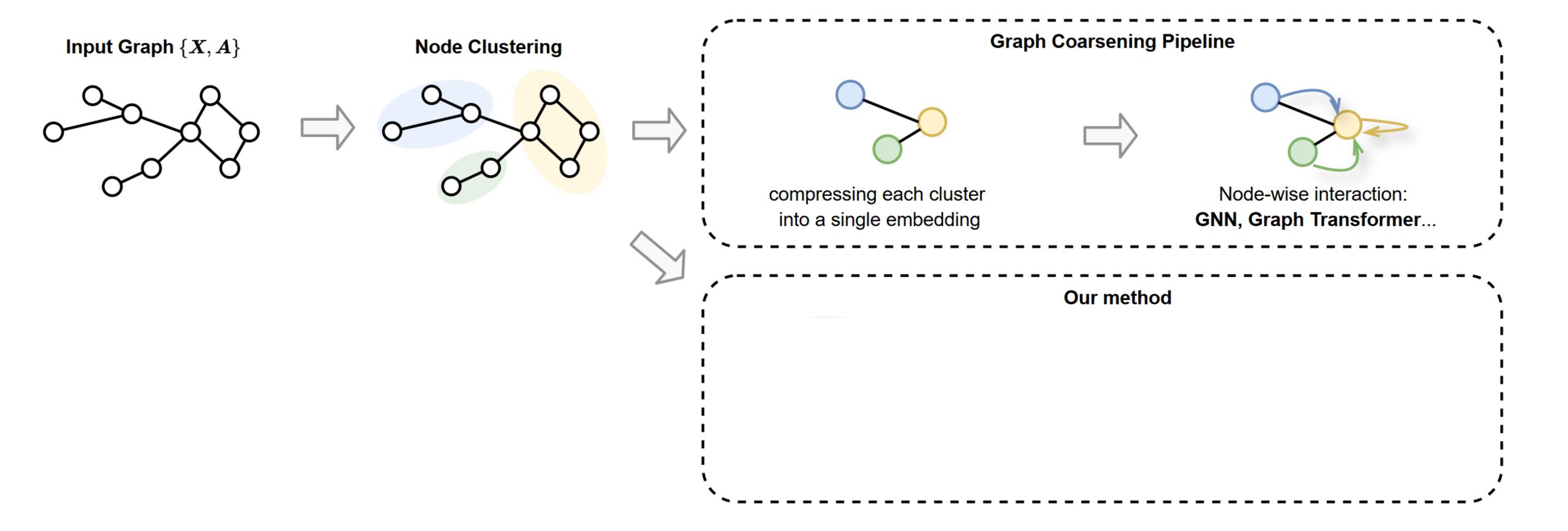
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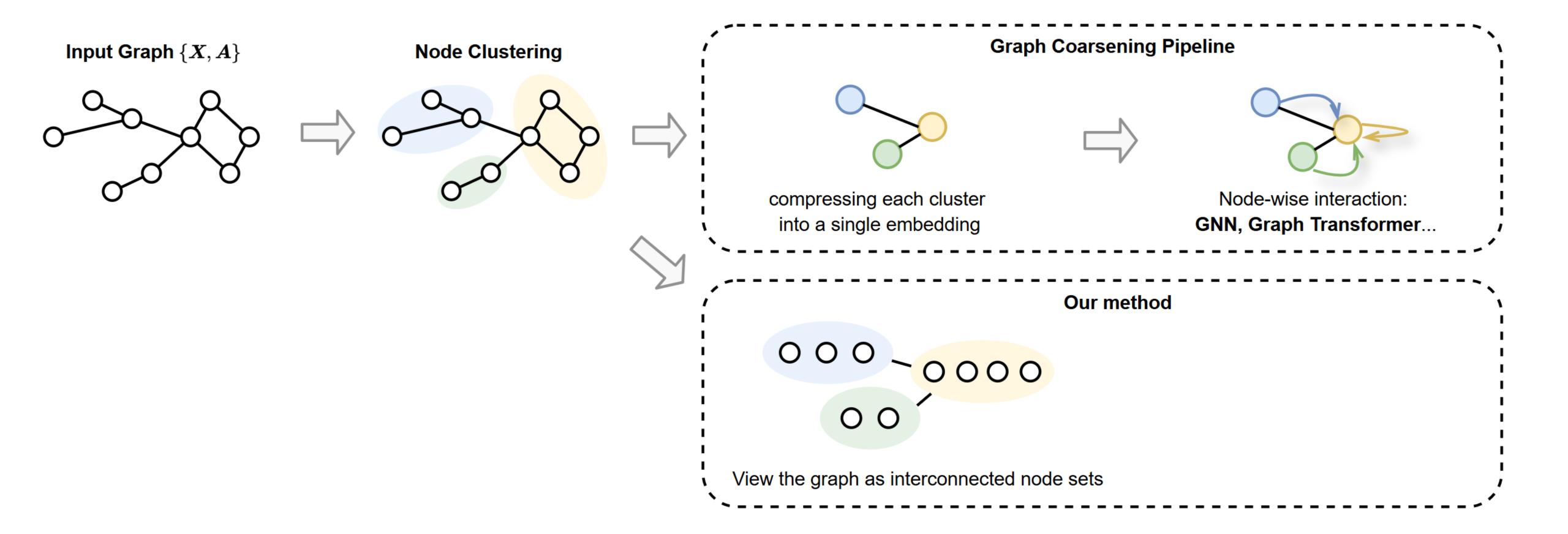
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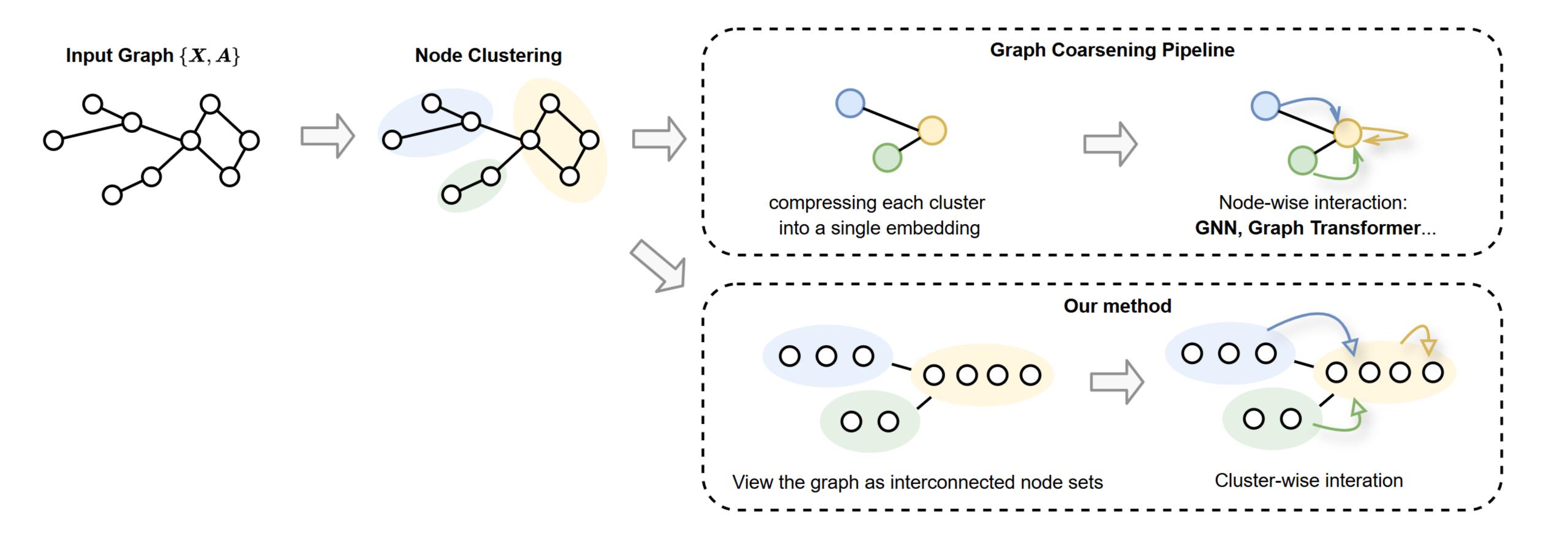
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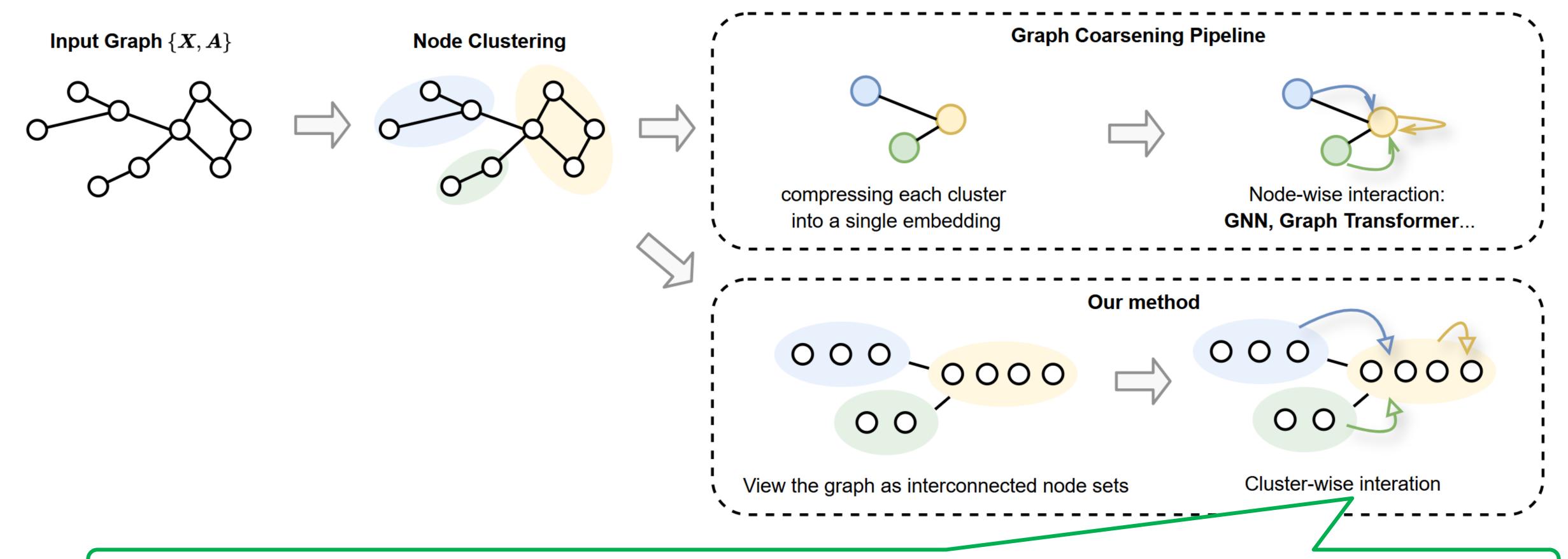
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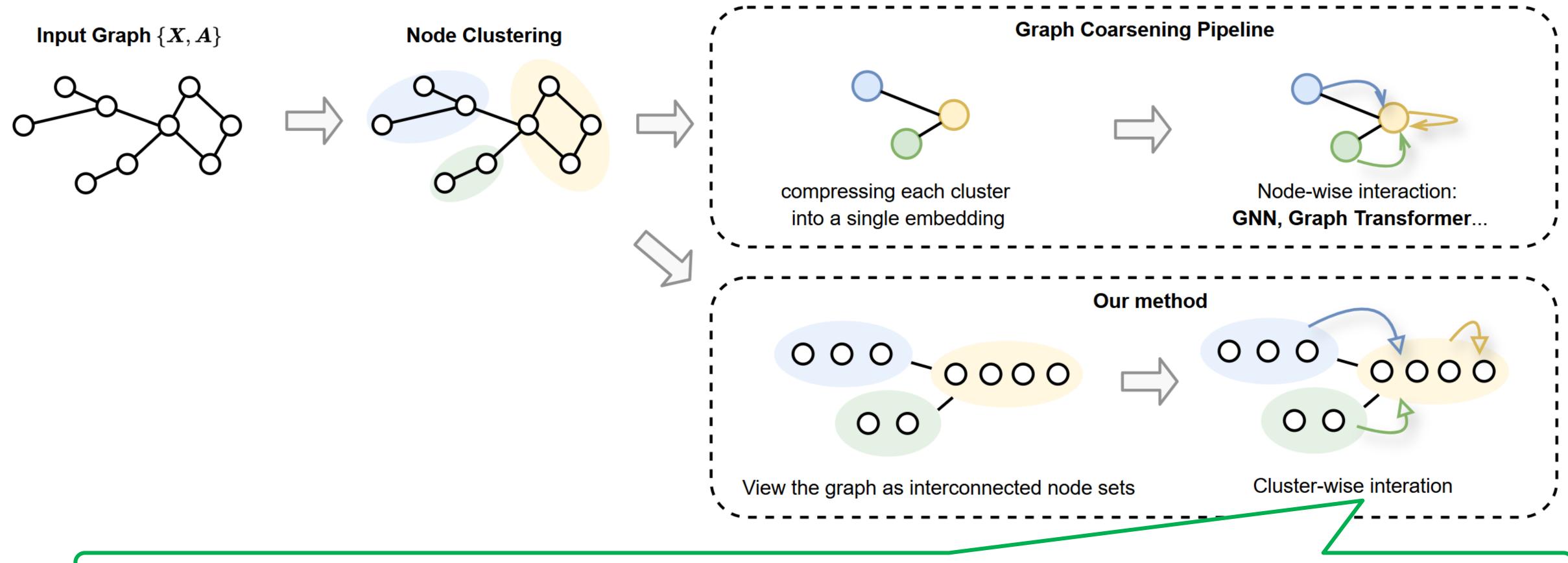








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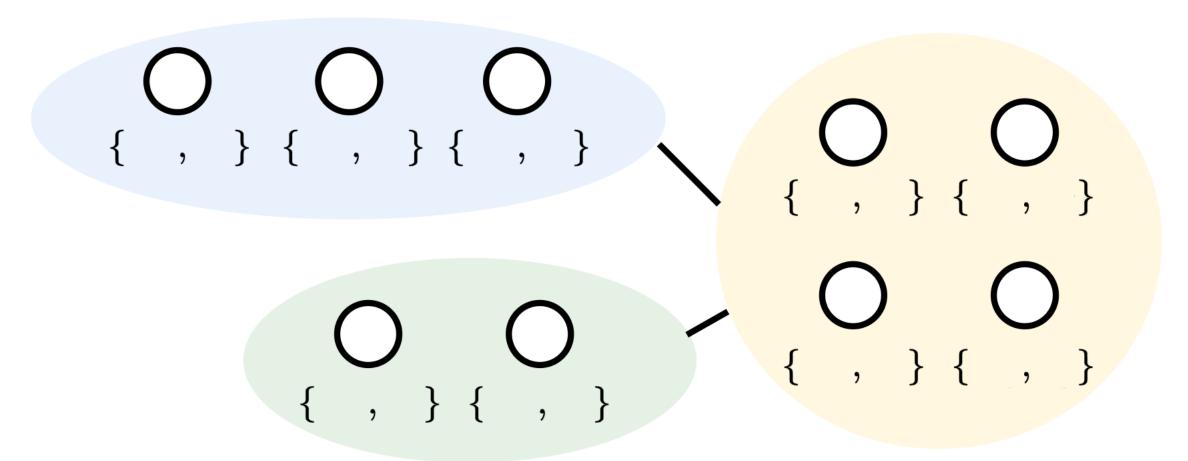
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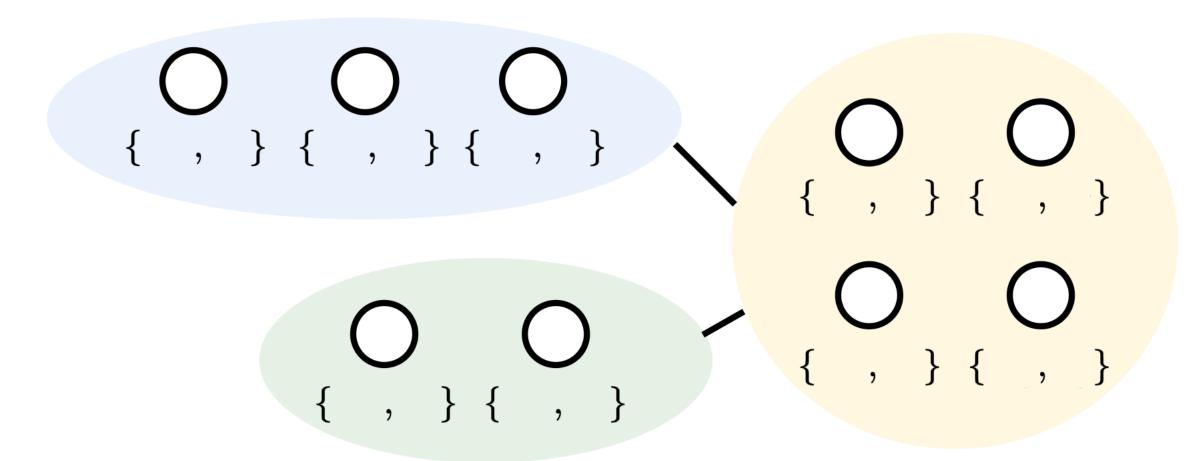
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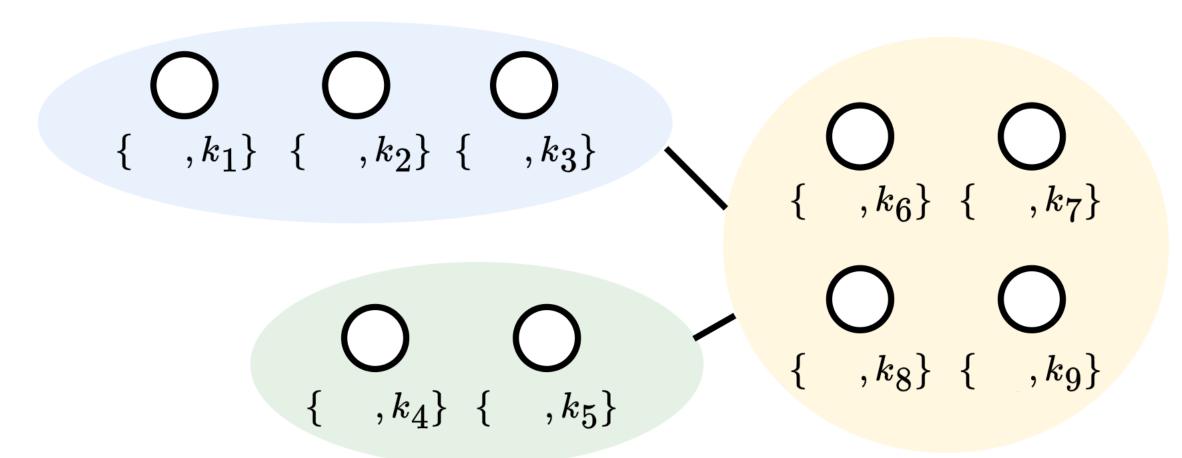
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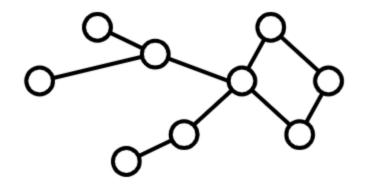
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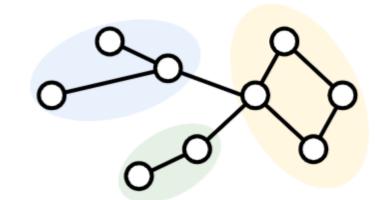
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Our proposed Node-to-Cluster Attention









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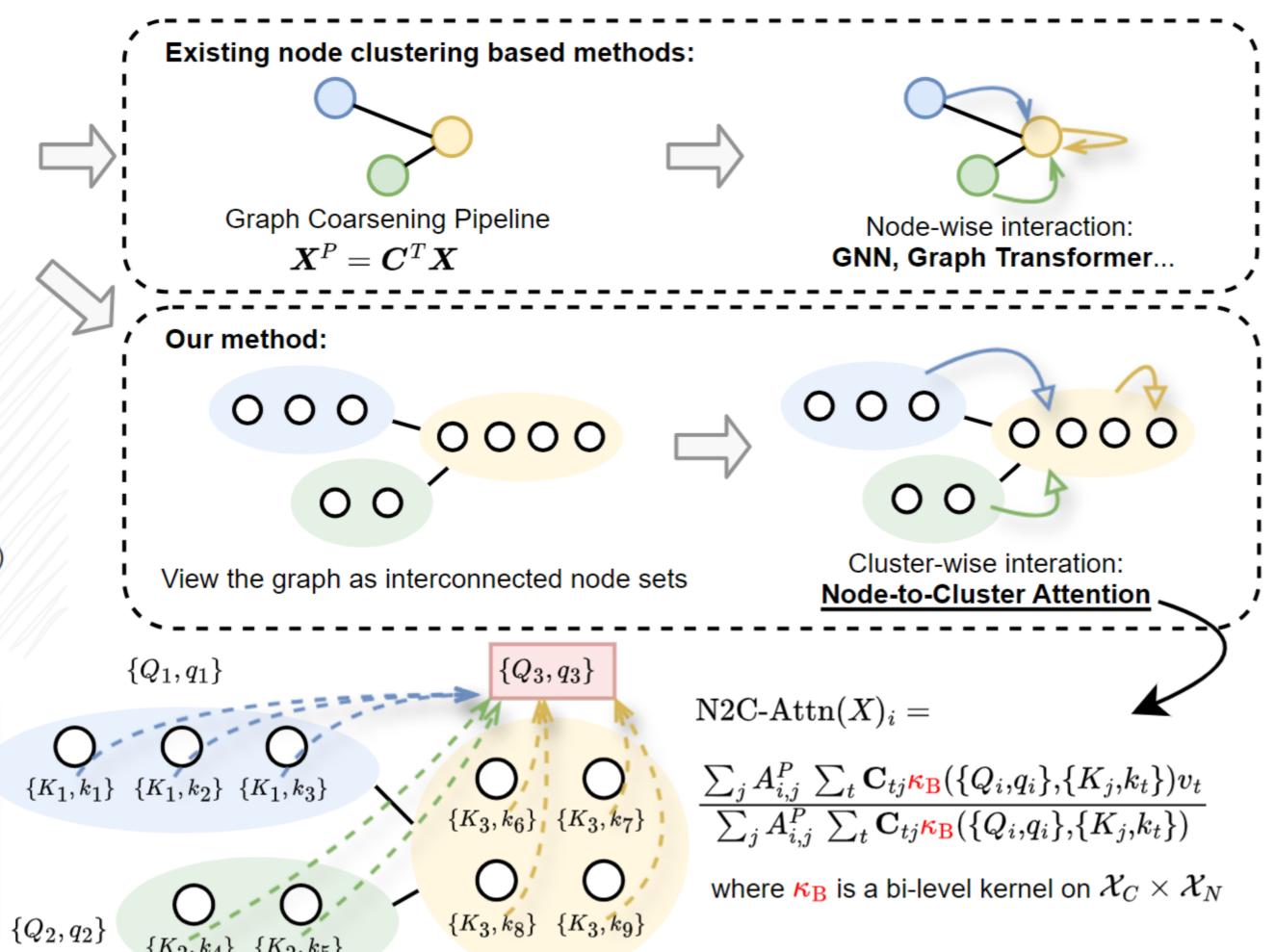
Graph Coarsening Pipeline:

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Our Method:

- 1. Adaptive fusion of cluster-level and node-level information (subsection 3.3)
- 2. Maintain linear computational complexity (subsection 3.2)

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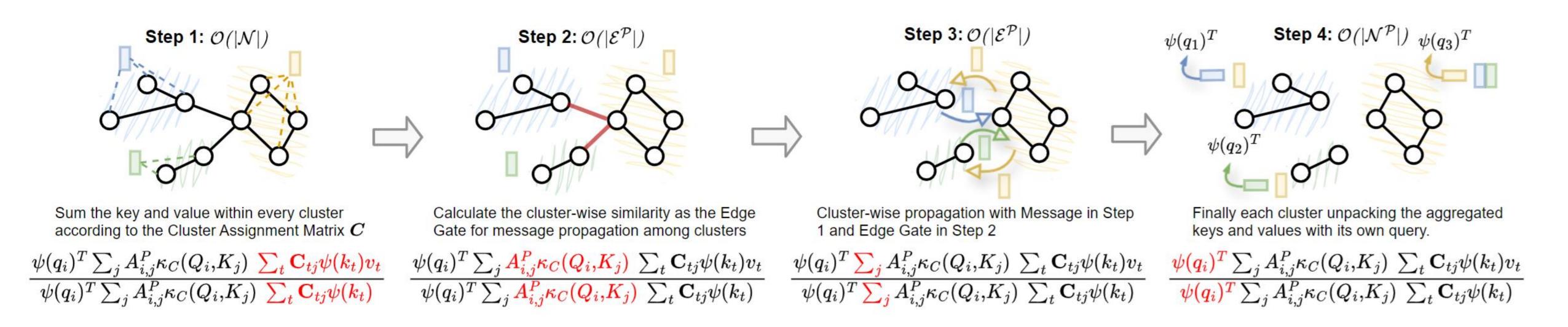
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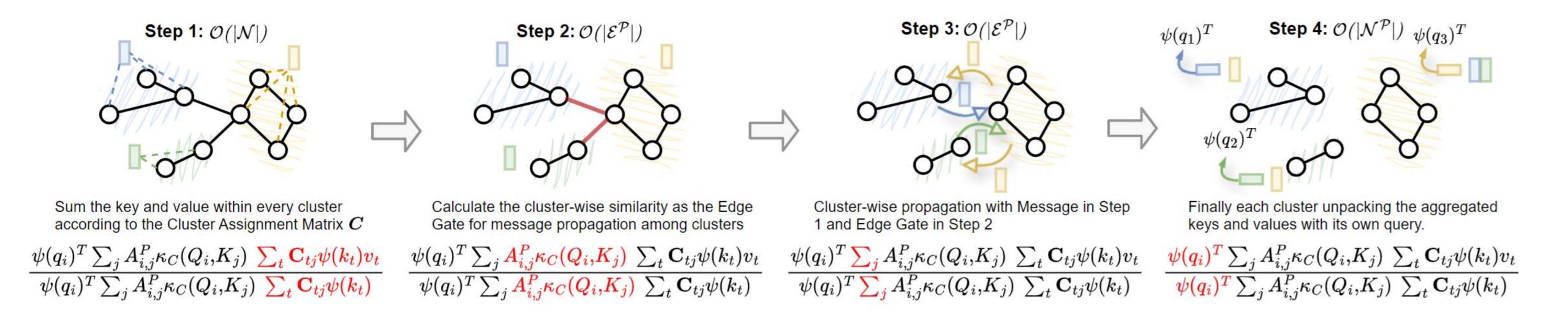
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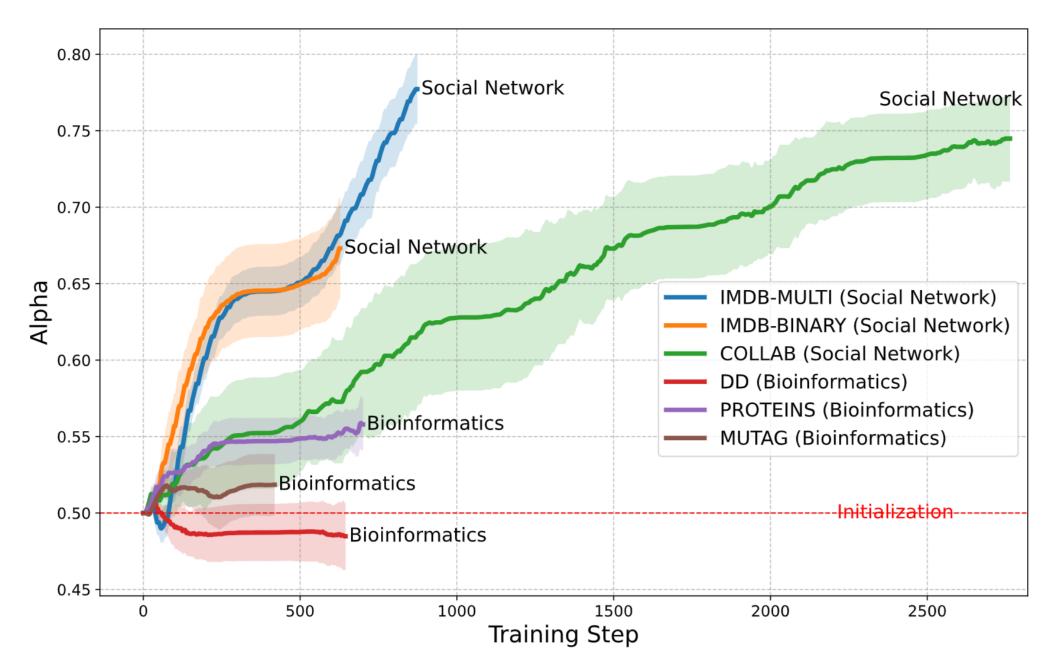
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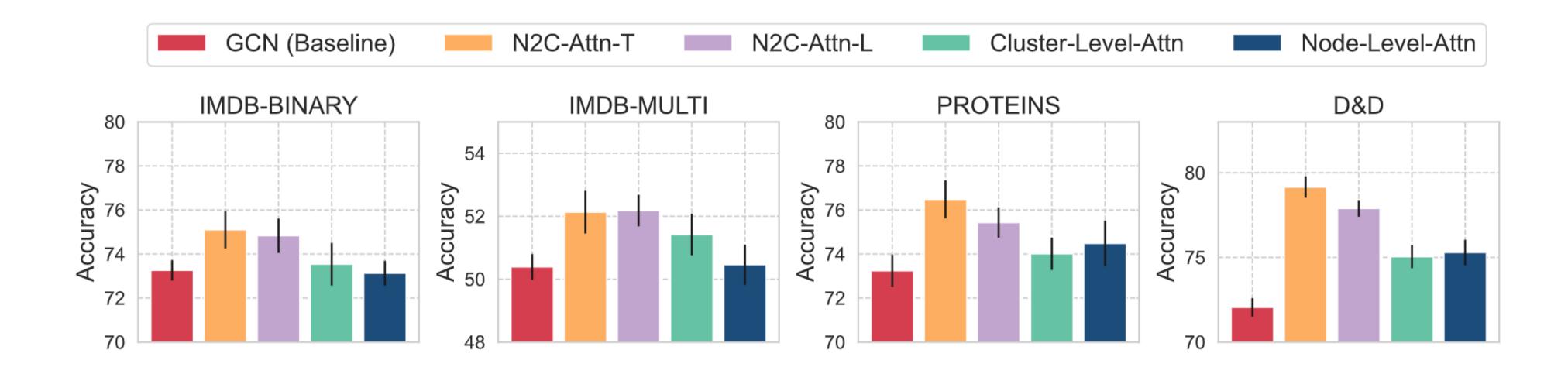
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Thanks