

# Schur's Positive-Definite Network: Deep Learning in the SPD cone with structure

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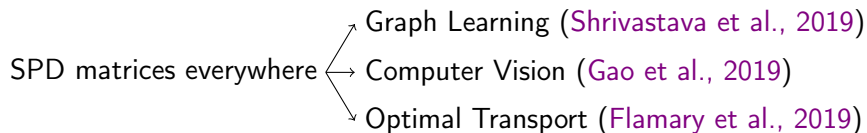
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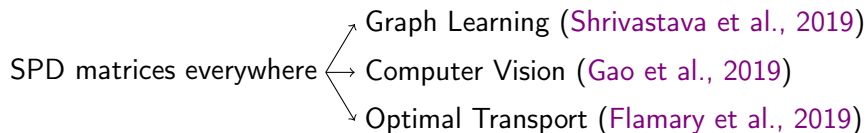
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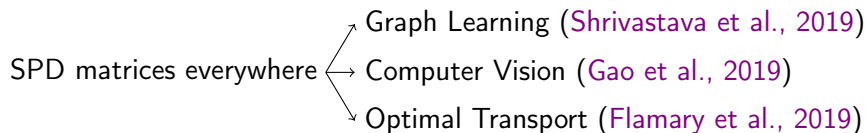


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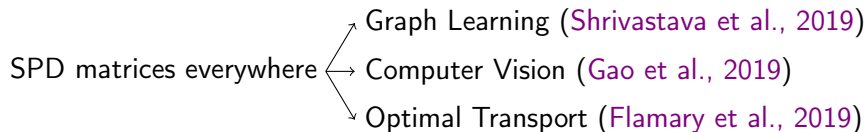
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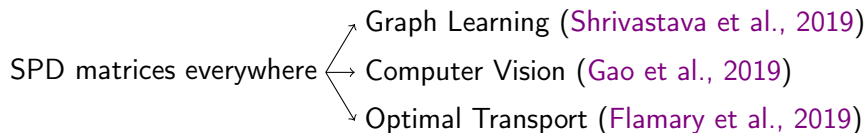
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STILL CHALLENGING:

- How to handle additional constraints?
- No reliable way to ensure both SPD and sparse outputs (hard problem (Guillot and Rajaratnam, 2015))

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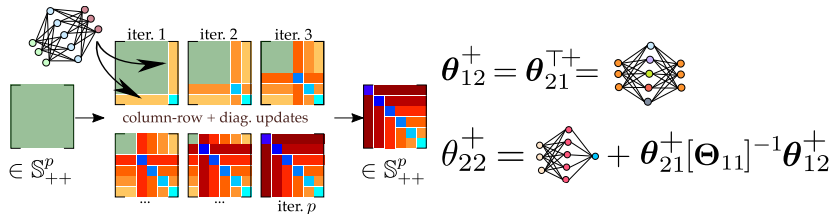
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**Core idea:** flow through column/row/diagonal updates



For more details...

Hope to see you at the poster session ! :-)

Check out the paper:



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