

Deep Learning on Graphs for Natural Language Processing

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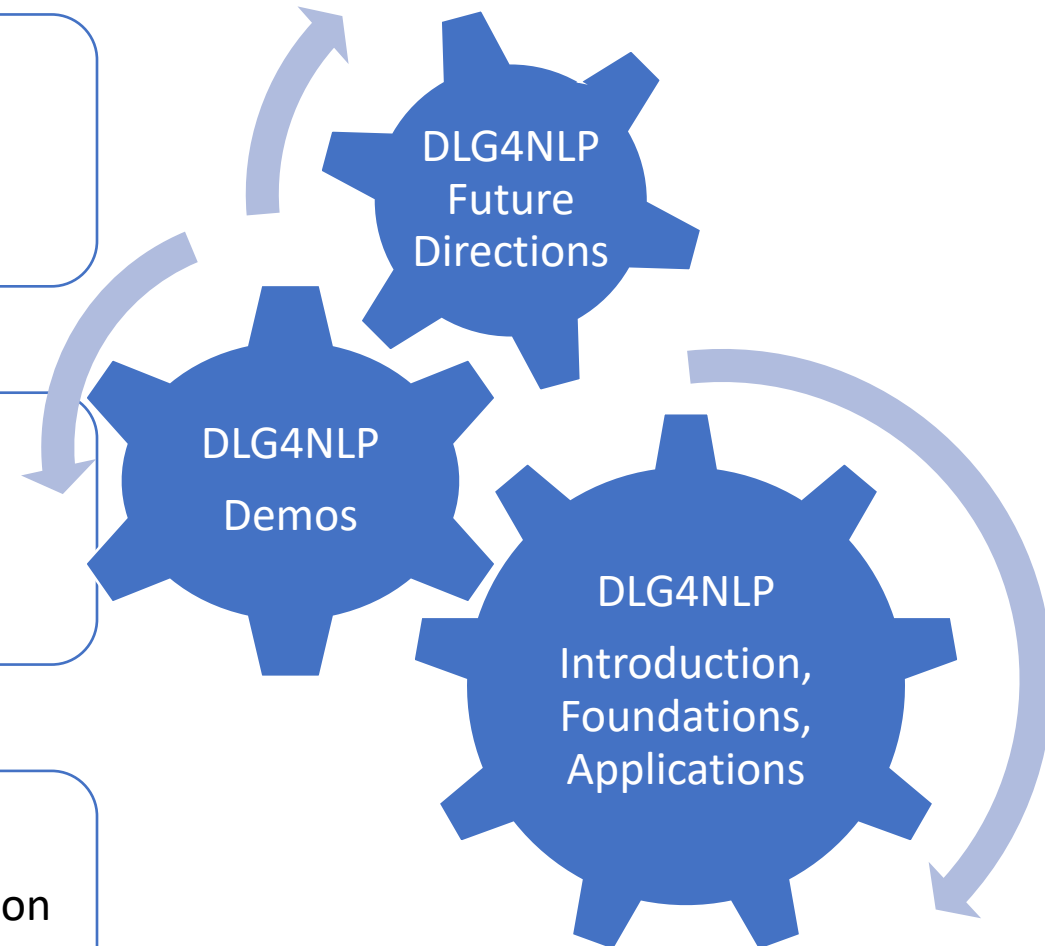
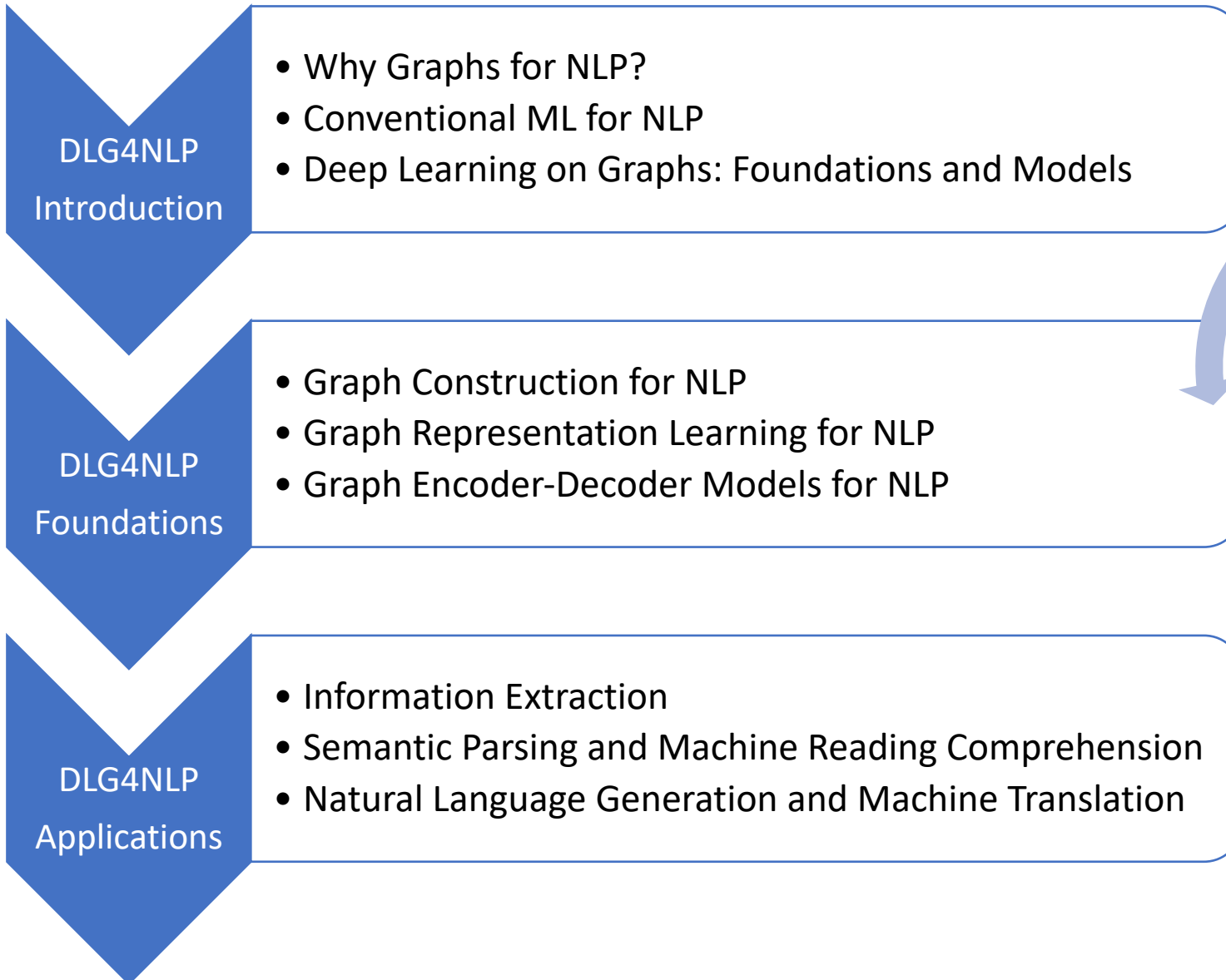


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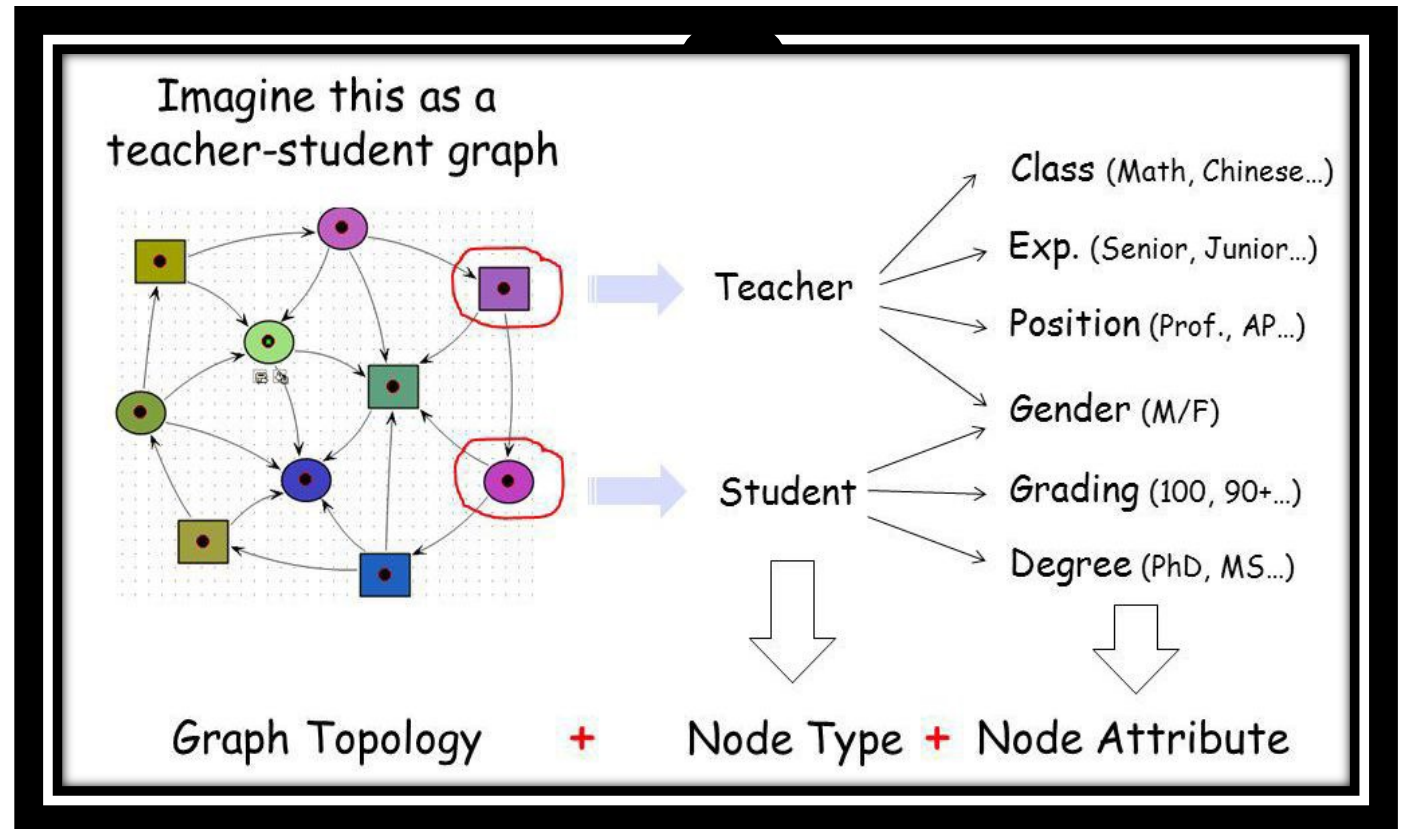


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Introduction

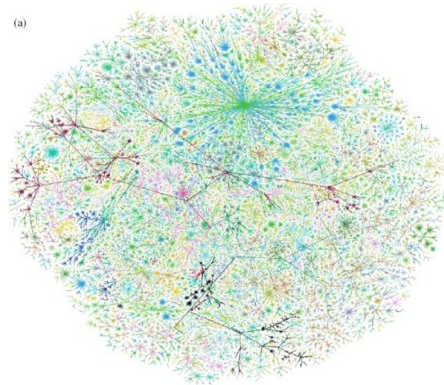
Why graphs?

- Graphs are a general language for describing and modeling complex systems

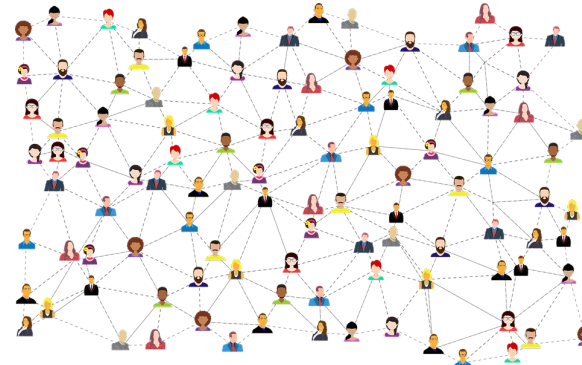


Graph!

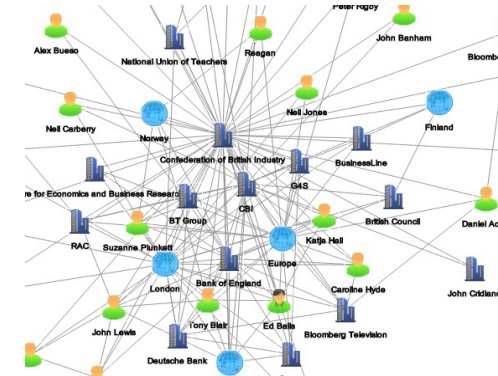
Graph-structured data are ubiquitous



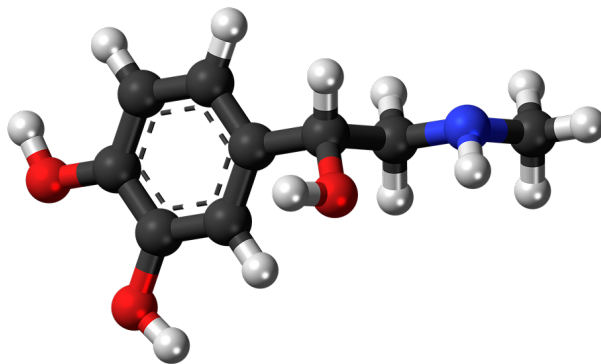
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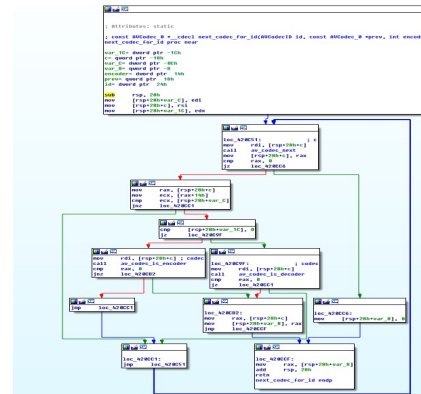
Social networks



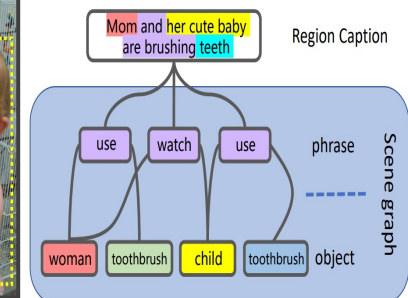
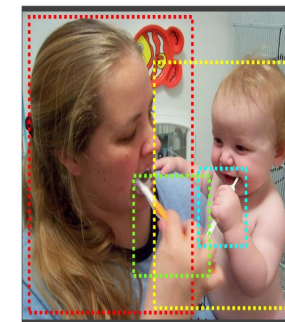
Financial transactions



Biomedical graphs

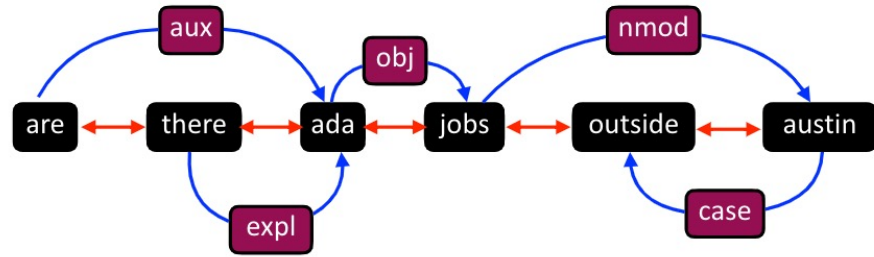


Program graphs

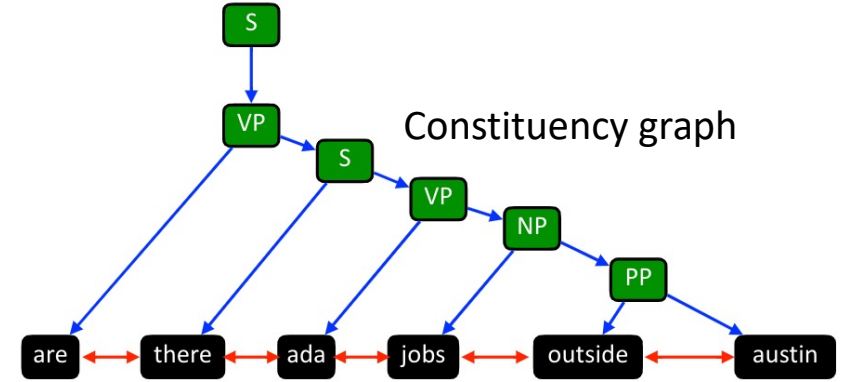


Scene graphs

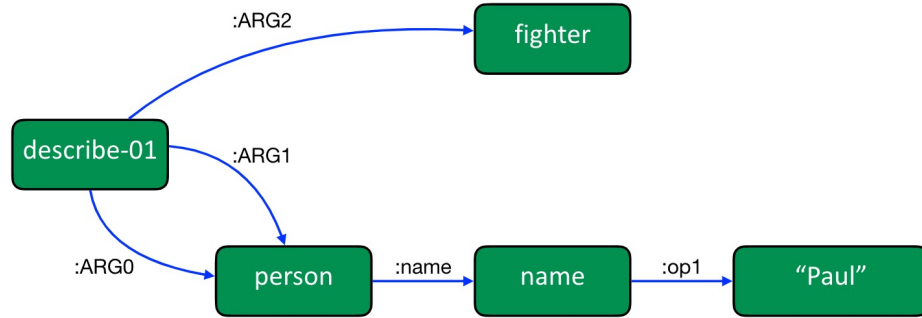
Graphs are ubiquitous in NLP As Well



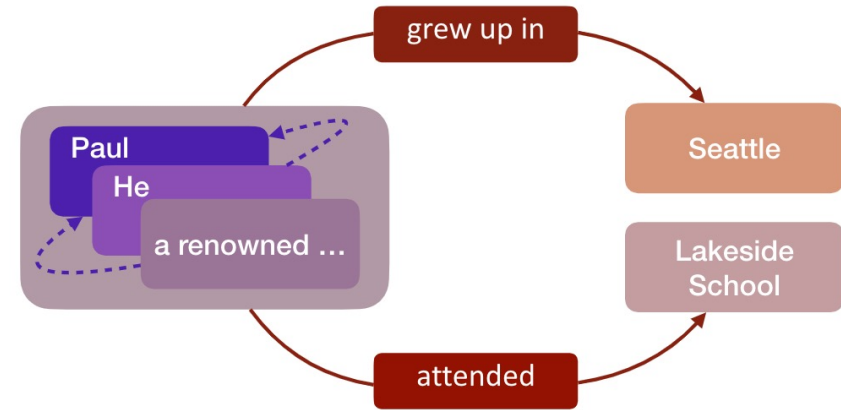
Dependency graph



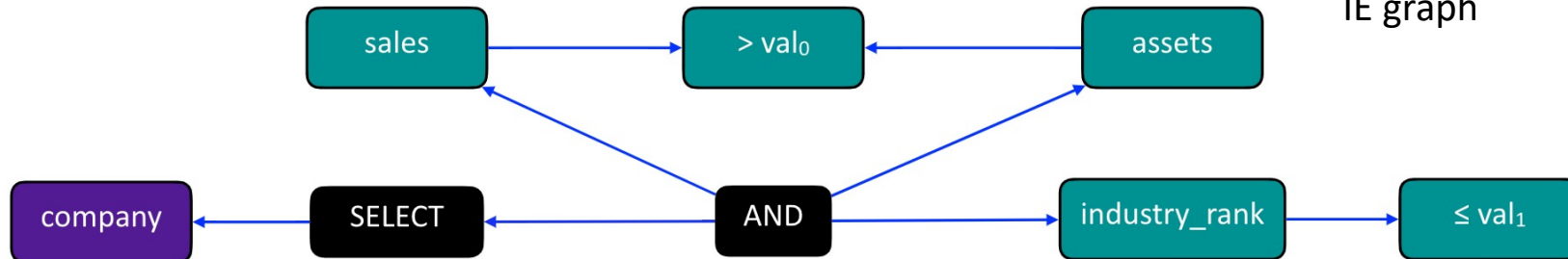
Constituency graph



AMR graph



IE graph

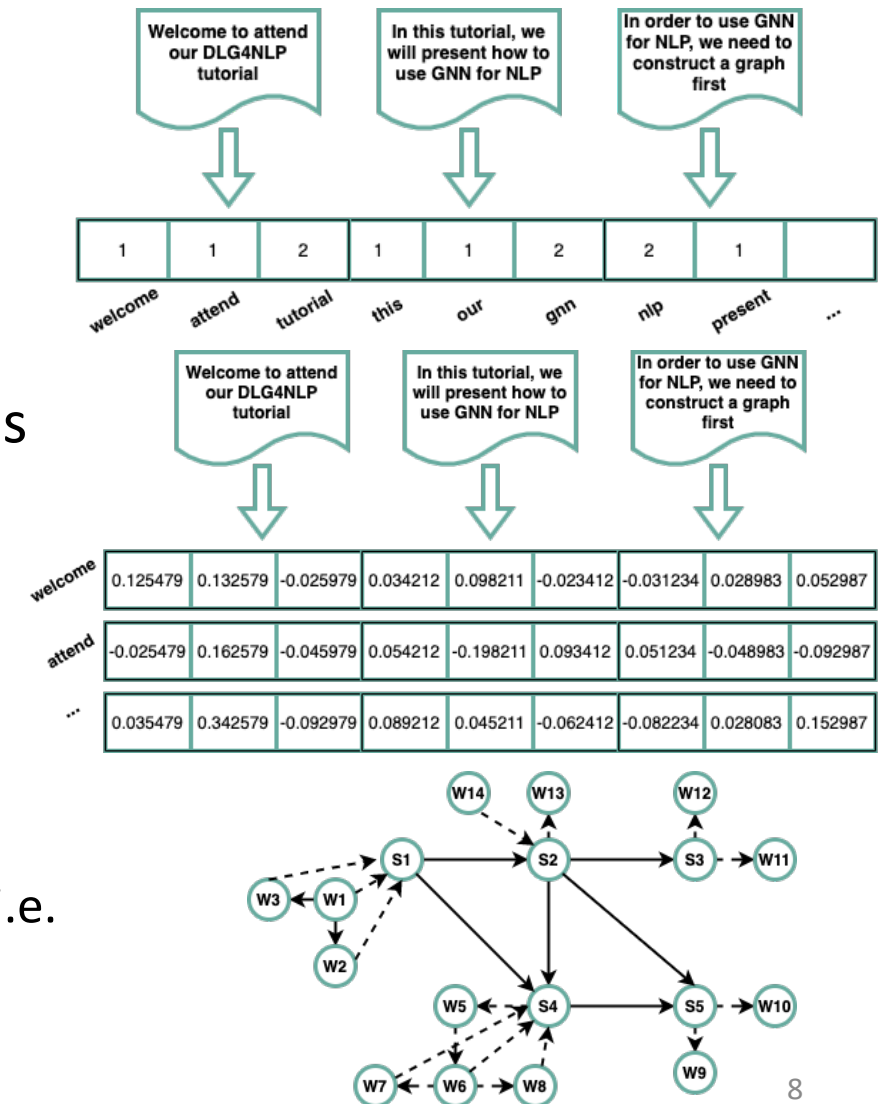


SQL graph

Machine Learning on Graphs for NLP

Natural Language Processing: A Graph Perspective

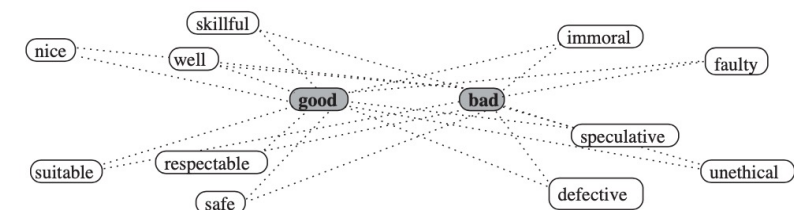
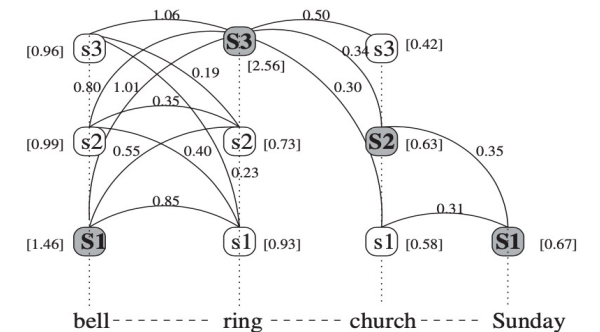
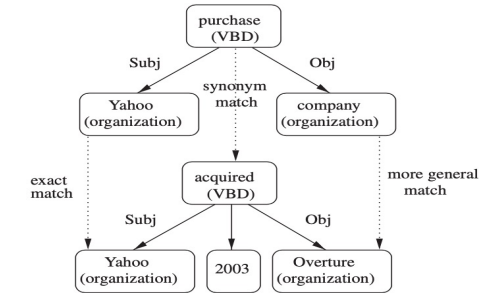
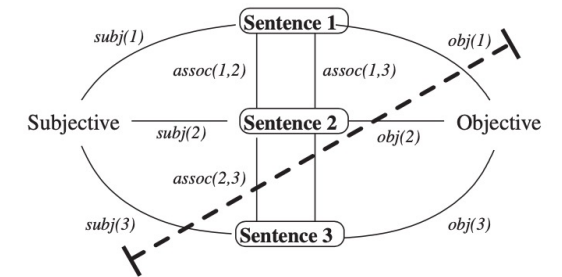
- Represent natural language as a bag of tokens
 - BOW, TF-IDF
 - Topic Modeling: text as a mixture of topics
- Represent natural language as a sequence of tokens
 - Linear-chain CRF
 - Word2vec, Glove
- Represent natural language as a graph
 - Dependency graphs, constituency graphs, AMR graphs, IE graphs, and knowledge graphs
 - Text graph containing multiple hierarchies of elements, i.e. document, sentence and word



Graph Based Methods for NLP

- Random Walk Algorithms
 - Generate random paths, one can obtain a stationary distribution over all the nodes in a graph
 - Applications: semantic similarity of texts, name disambiguation
- Graph Clustering Algorithms
 - Spectral clustering, random walk clustering and min-cut clustering for text clustering
- Graph Matching Algorithms
 - Compute the similarity between two graphs for textual entailment task
- Label Propagation Algorithms
 - Propagate labels from labeled data points to previously unlabeled data points
 - Applications: word-sense disambiguation, sentiment analysis

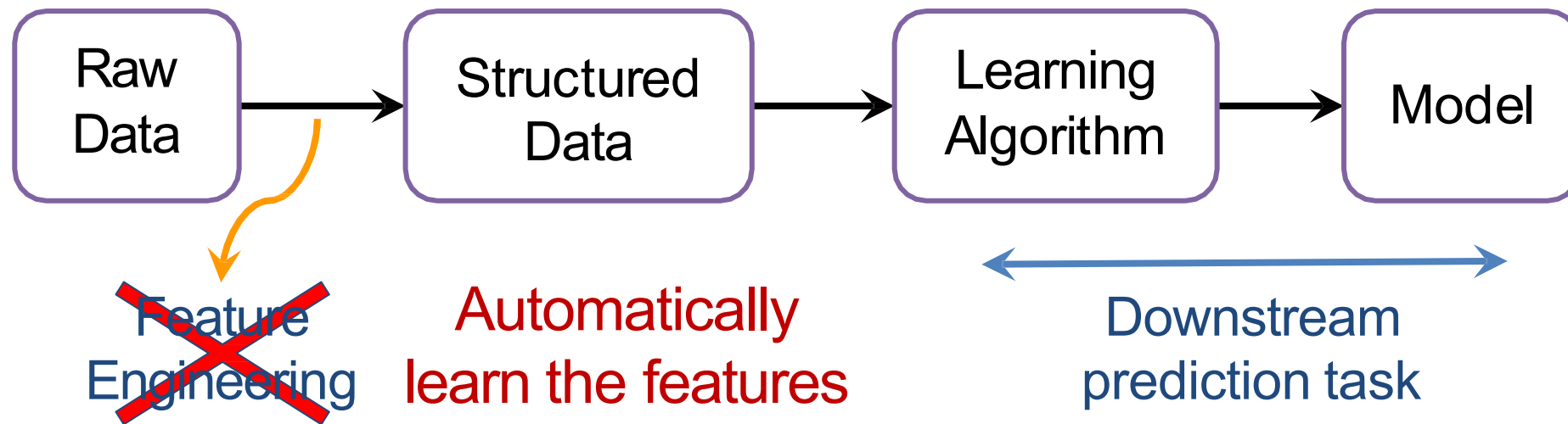
[Mihalcea and Radev, 2011]



Deep Learning on Graphs: Foundations and Models

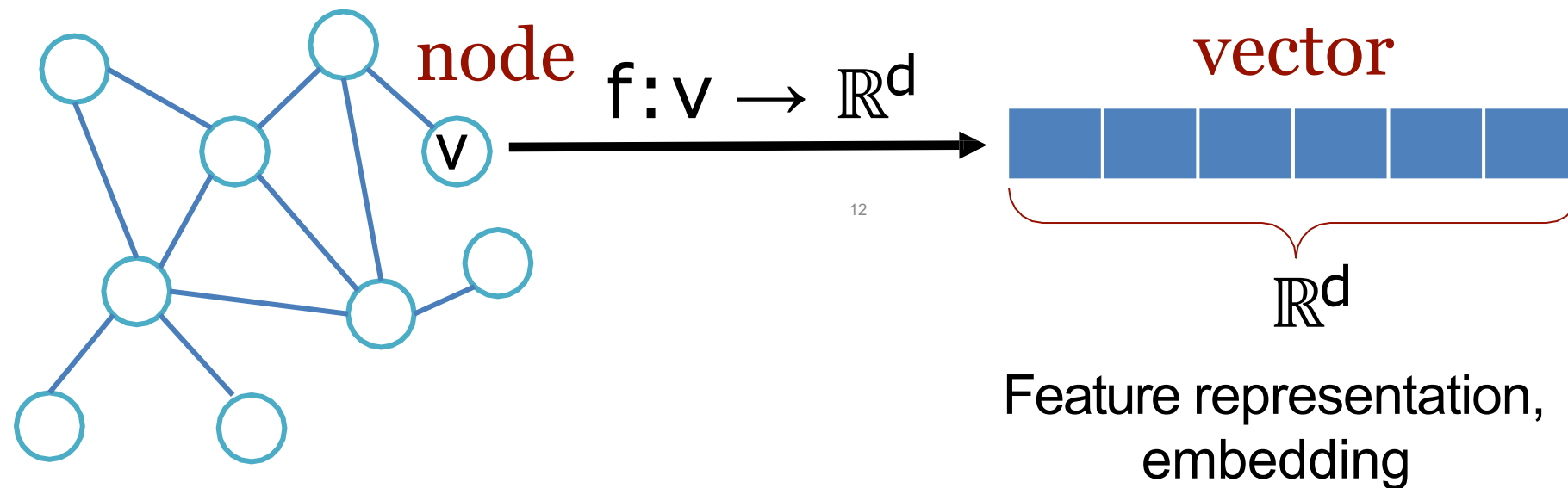
Machine Learning Lifecycle

- (Supervised) Machine Learning Lifecycle: **feature learning is the key**



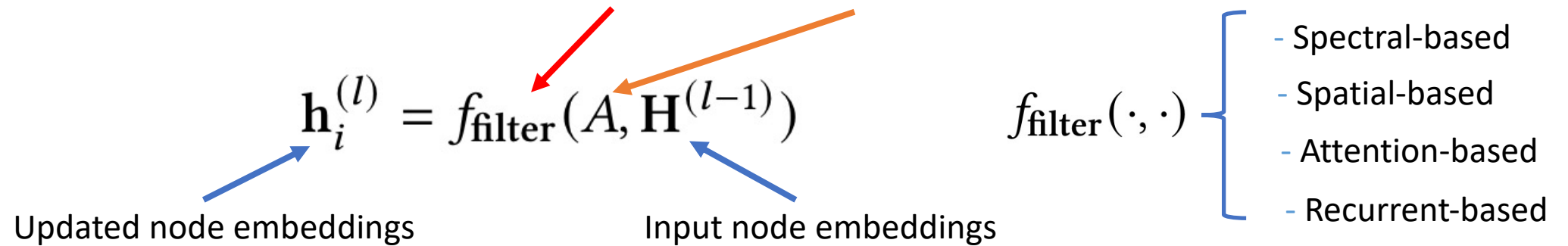
Feature Learning in Graphs

- Our Goal: Design efficient task-independent/ task-dependent feature learning for machine learning in graphs!

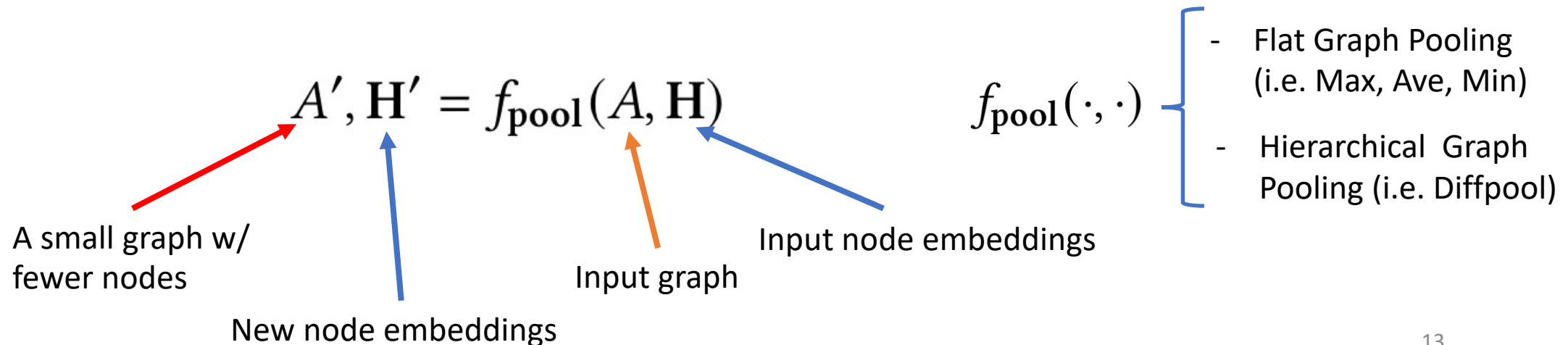


Graph Neural Networks: Foundations

- Learning node embeddings: A graph filter adjacency matrix

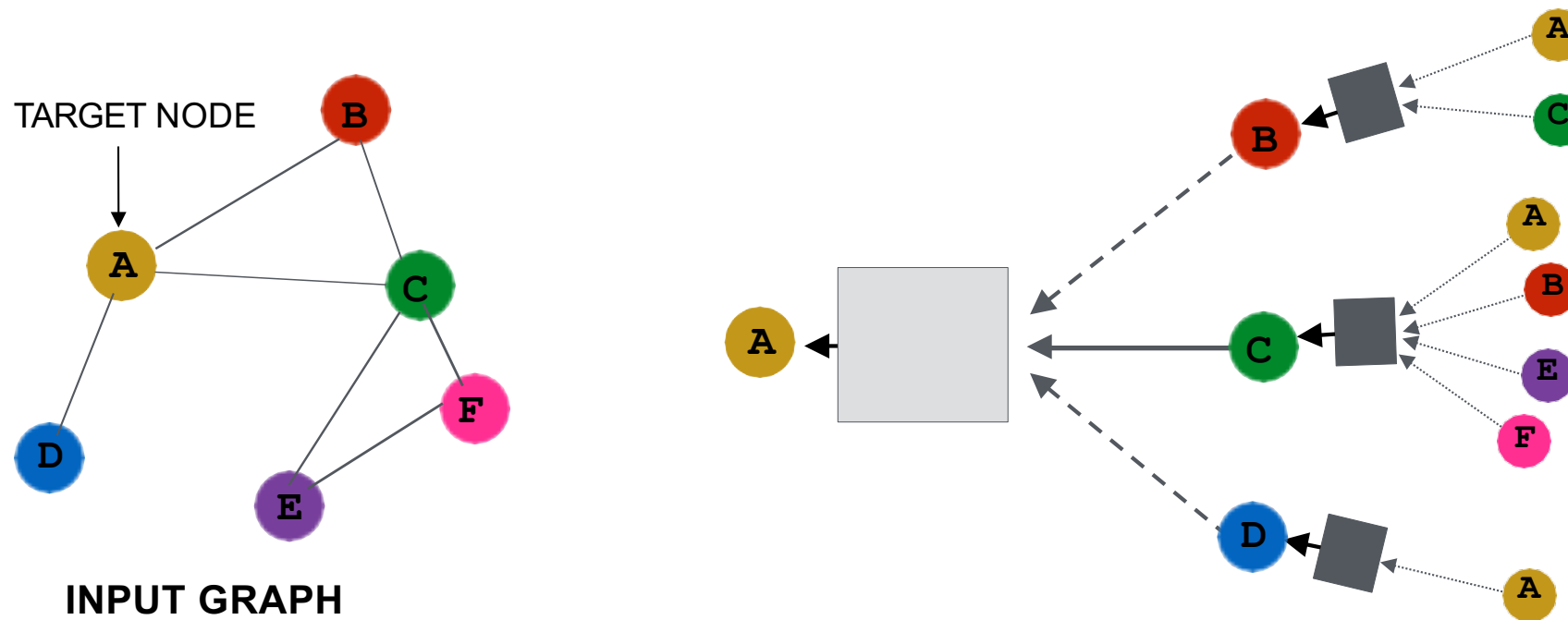


- Learning graph-level embeddings:



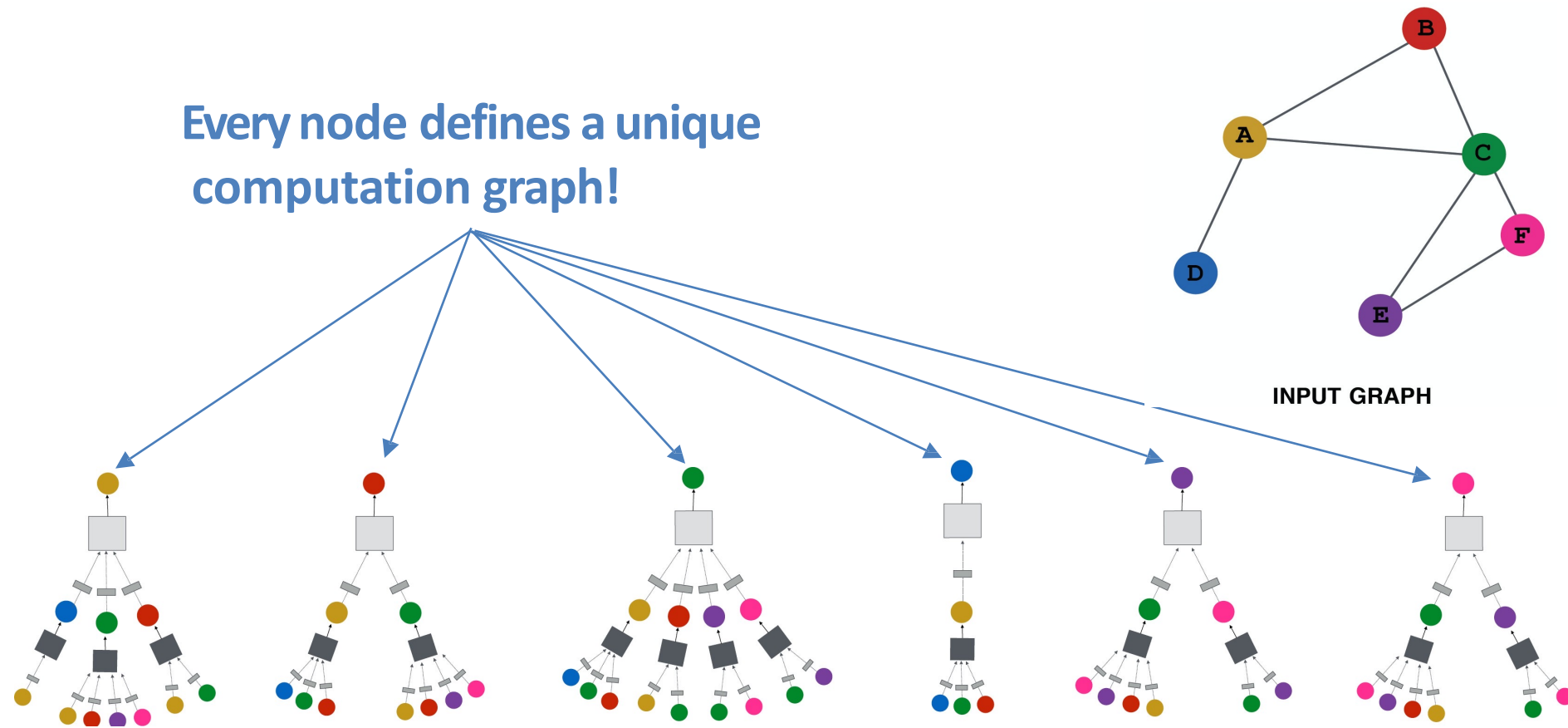
Graph Neural Networks: Basic Model

- **Key idea:** Generate node embeddings based on local neighborhoods.



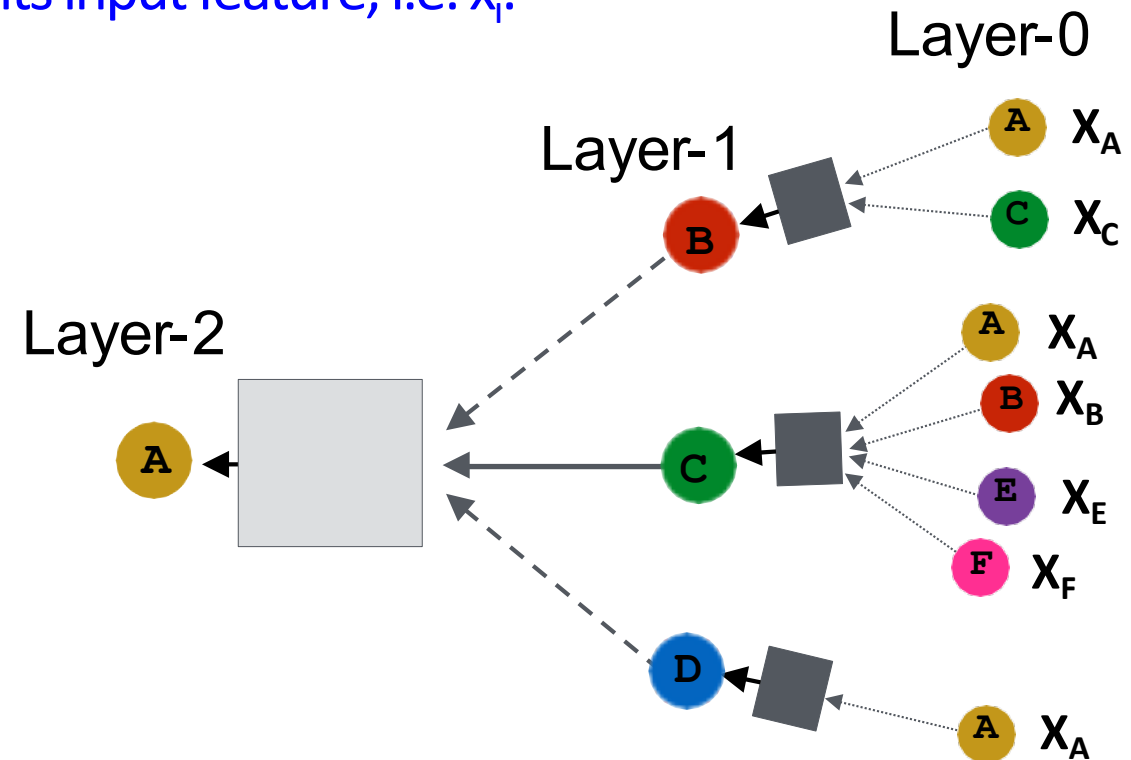
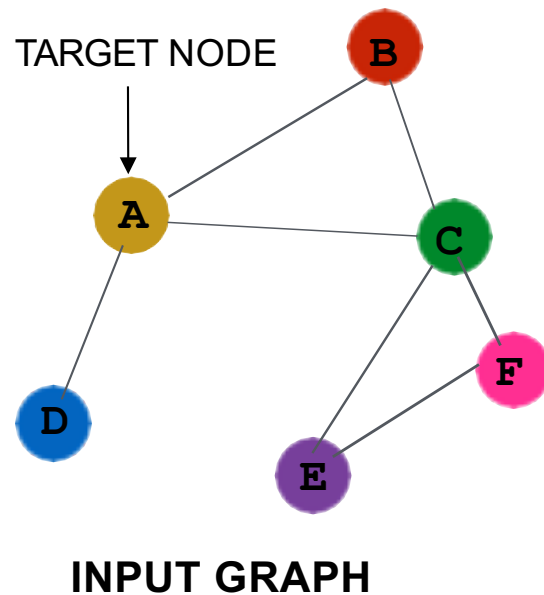
Neighborhood Aggregation

- **Intuition:** Network neighborhood defines a computation graph



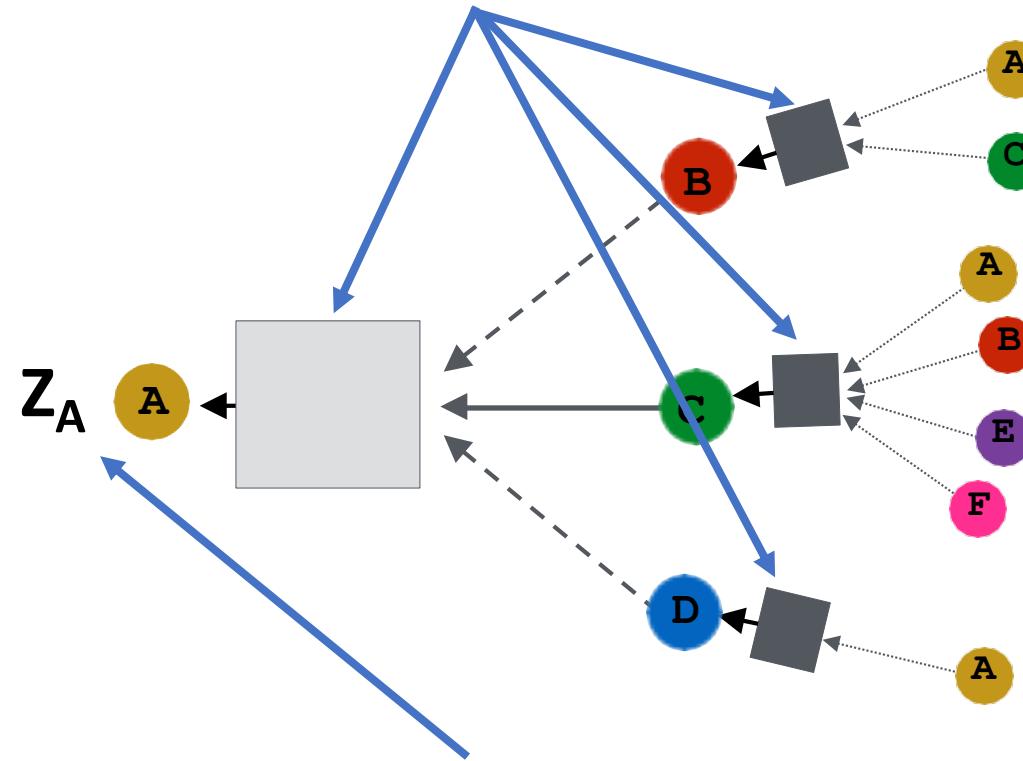
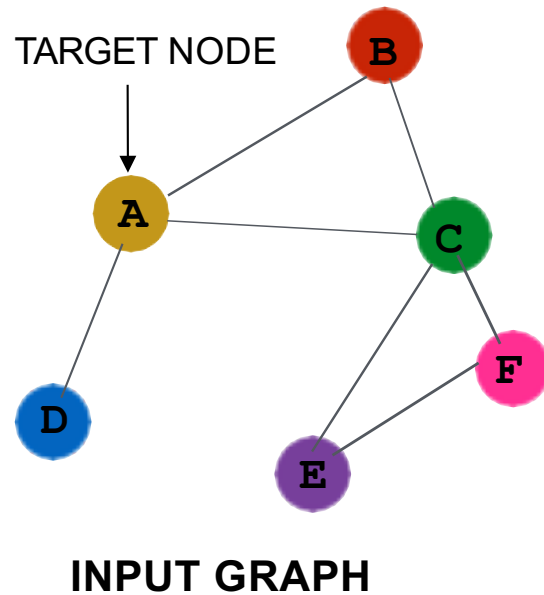
Neighborhood Aggregation

- Nodes have embeddings at each layer.
- Model can be arbitrary depth.
- “layer-0” embedding of node i is its input feature, i.e. x_i .



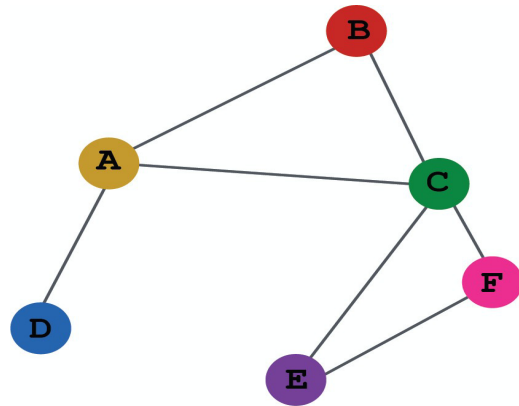
Overview of GNN Model

1) Define a neighborhood aggregation function



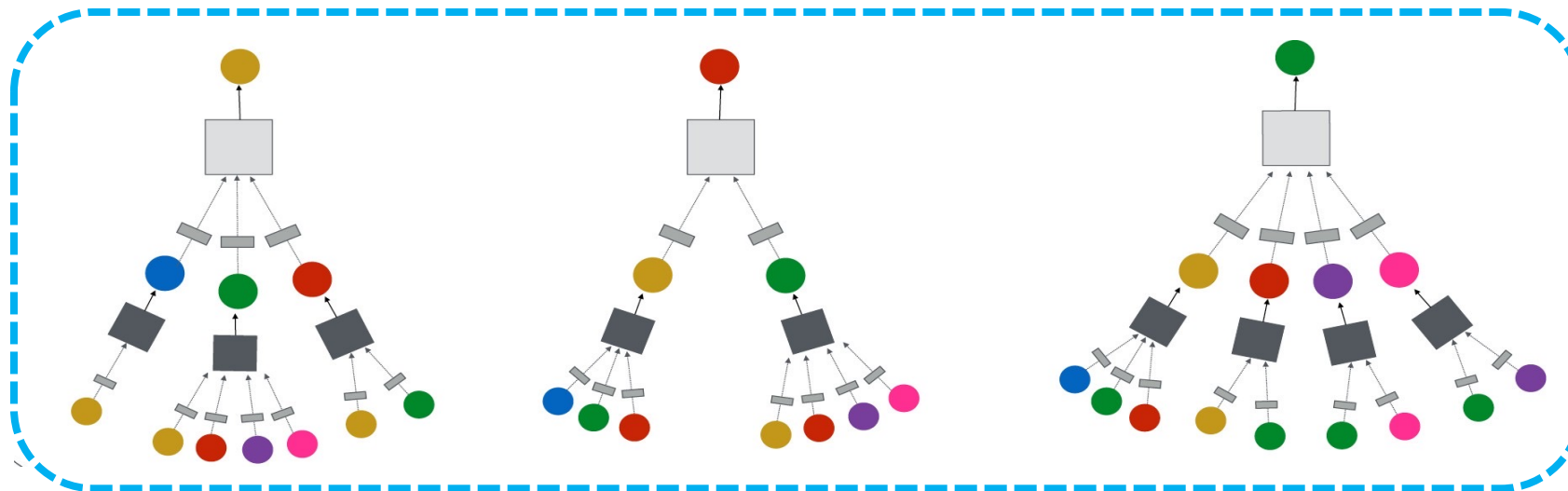
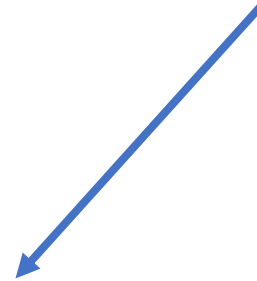
2) Define a loss function on the embeddings, $L(z_v)$

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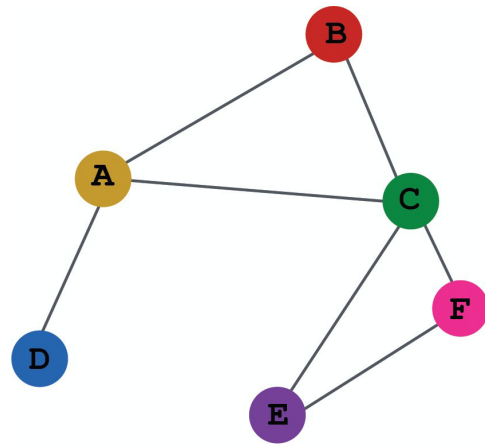


INPUT GRAPH

3) Train on a set of nodes, i.e., a batch of computation graphs



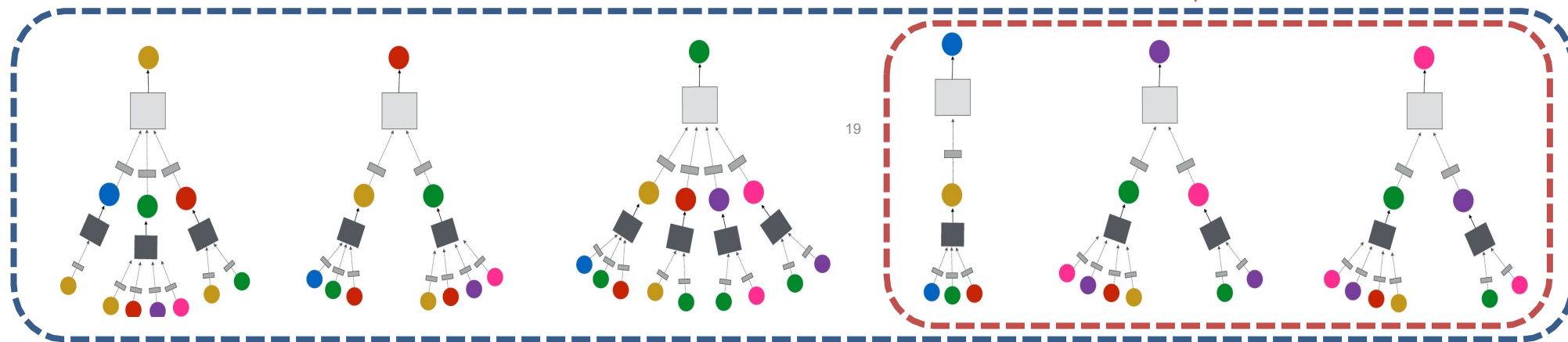
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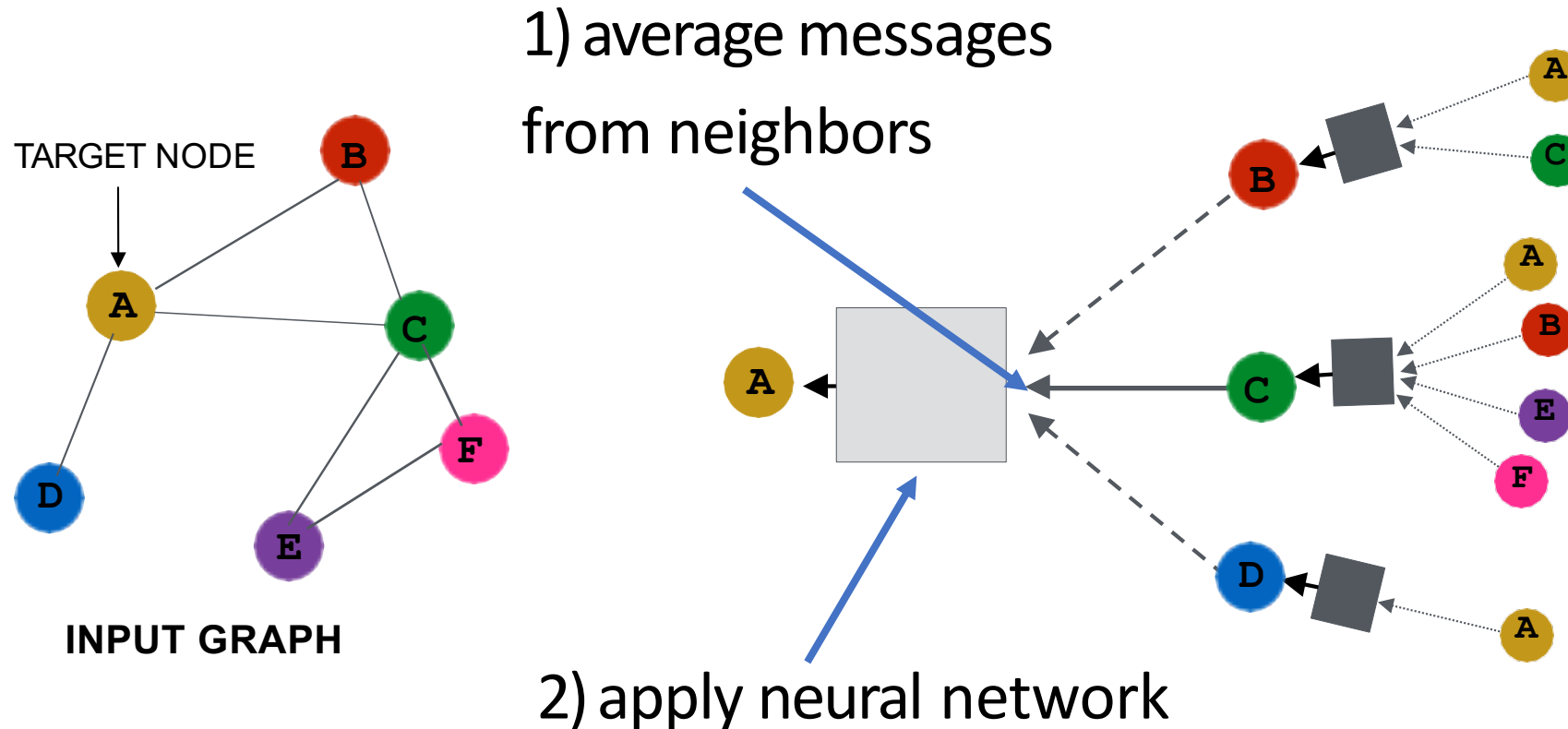
4) Generate embeddings for nodes as needed

Even for nodes we never trained on!



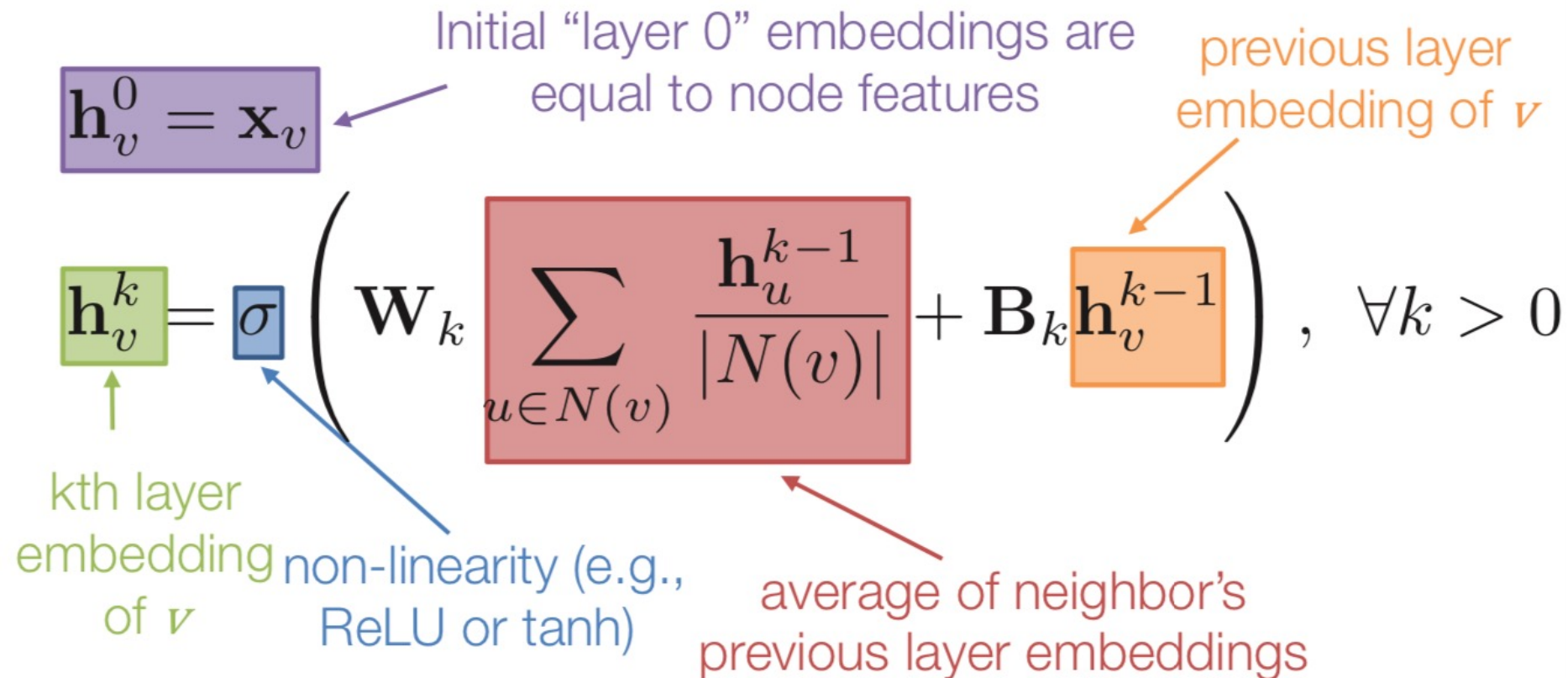
GNN Model: A Case Study

- **Basic approach:** Average neighbor information and apply a neural network



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GNN Model: Quick Summary

- **Key idea:** generate node embeddings by aggregating neighborhood information.
 - Allows for parameter sharing in the encoder
 - Allows for inductive learning

Graph Neural Networks: Popular Models

- Spectral-based Graph Filters
 - GCN (Kipf & Welling, ICLR 2017), Chebyshev-GNN (Defferrard et al. NIPS 2016)
- Spatial-based Graph Filters
 - MPNN (Gilmer et al. ICML 2017), GraphSage (Hamilton et al. NIPS 2017)
 - GIN (Xu et al. ICLR 2019)
- Attention-based Graph Filters
 - GAT (Velickovic et al. ICLR 2018)
- Recurrent-based Graph Filters
 - GGNN (Li et al. ICLR 2016)

Graph Convolution Networks (GCN)

Key idea: spectral convolution on graphs

Eigen-decomposition
is **expensive**

Chebyshev polynomials
accelerates but still not
powerful

**First-order approxima-
tion** fast and powerful

Renormalization trick
stabilizes the numerical
computation

$$f_{\text{filter}} * \mathbf{x}_i = \mathbf{U} f(\Lambda) \mathbf{U}^T \mathbf{x}_i$$



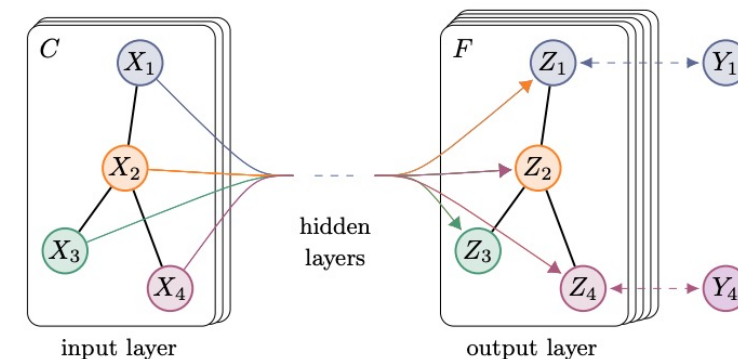
$$f'_{\text{filter}} * \mathbf{x}_i \approx \sum_{p=0}^P \theta'_p \mathbf{T}_p(\tilde{\mathbf{L}}) \mathbf{x}_i$$



$$f_{\text{filter}} * \mathbf{h}_i^{(l)} \approx \theta (I_n + D^{-\frac{1}{2}} A D^{-\frac{1}{2}}) \mathbf{h}_i^{(l)}$$



$$\mathbf{H}^{(l+1)} = \sigma(\tilde{\mathbf{D}}^{-\frac{1}{2}} \tilde{\mathbf{A}} \tilde{\mathbf{D}}^{-\frac{1}{2}} \mathbf{H}^{(l)} \mathbf{W}^{(l)})$$



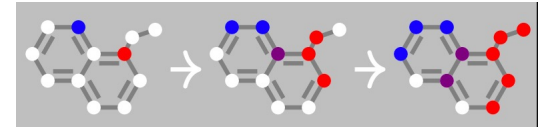
GCN in NLP Tasks:

- Text classification
- Question Answering
- Text Matching
- Topic Modeling
- Information Extration

Message Passing Neural Network (MPNN)

Key idea: graph convolutions as a message passing process

MPNN:
$$\mathbf{h}_i^{(l)} = f_{\text{filter}}(A, \mathbf{H}^{(l-1)}) = f_U(\mathbf{h}_i^{(l-1)}, \sum_{v_j \in N(v_i)} f_M(\mathbf{h}_i^{(l-1)}, \mathbf{h}_j^{(l-1)}, \mathbf{e}_{i,j}))$$



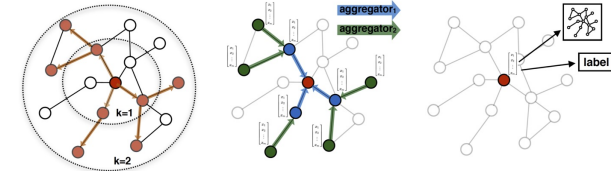
expensive if the number of nodes are large

Update and aggregation functions

Node and edge embeddings

GraphSage:

$$f_{\text{filter}}(A, \mathbf{H}^{(l-1)}) = \sigma(\mathbf{W}^{(l)} \cdot f_M(\mathbf{h}_i^{(l-1)}, \{\mathbf{h}_j^{(l-1)}, \forall v_j \in N(v_i)\}))$$



sampling to obtain a fixed number of neighbors

Aggregation functions

Node embeddings

MPNN and GraphSage in NLP Tasks:

- Knowledge graph
- Information extraction
- Semantic parsing₂₅

Graph Attention Network (GAT)

Key idea: dynamically learn the weights (attention scores) on the edges when performing message passing

Weighted sum of node embeddings

$$\mathbf{h}_i^{(l)} = f_{\text{filter}}(A, \mathbf{H}^{(l-1)}) = \sigma\left(\sum_{v_j \in N(v_i)} \alpha_{ij} \mathbf{W}^{(l)} \mathbf{h}_j^{(l-1)}\right)$$

Learned local weights with self-attention

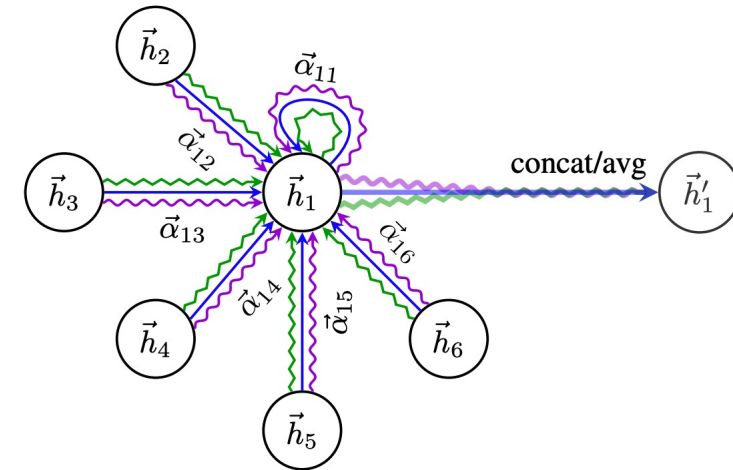
$$\alpha_{ij} = \frac{\exp(\text{LeakyReLU}(\mathbf{u}^{(l)T} [\mathbf{W}^{(l)} \mathbf{h}_i^{(l-1)} \parallel \mathbf{W}^{(l)} \mathbf{h}_j^{(l-1)}]))}{\sum_{v_k \in N(v_i)} \exp(\text{LeakyReLU}(\mathbf{u}^{(l)T} [\mathbf{W}^{(l)} \mathbf{h}_i^{(l-1)} \parallel \mathbf{W}^{(l)} \mathbf{h}_k^{(l-1)}]))}$$

Intermediate node embeddings

$$f_{\text{filter}}(A, \mathbf{H}^{(l-1)}) = \parallel_{k=1}^K \sigma\left(\sum_{v_j \in N(v_i)} \alpha_{ij}^k \mathbf{W}_k^{(l)} \mathbf{h}_j^{(l-1)}\right)$$

Final node embeddings

$$f_{\text{filter}}(A, \mathbf{H}^{(L-1)}) = \sigma\left(\frac{1}{K} \sum_{k=1}^K \sum_{v_j \in N(v_i)} \alpha_{ij}^k \mathbf{W}_k^{(L)} \mathbf{h}_j^{(L-1)}\right)$$



GAT in NLP Tasks:

- Text classification
- Question Answering
- Knowledge graph
- Information extraction
- Semantic parsing

Gated Graph Neural Networks (GGNN)

Key idea: the use of Gated Recurrent Units while taking into account edge type and directions

Zero-padding
input node
embeddings

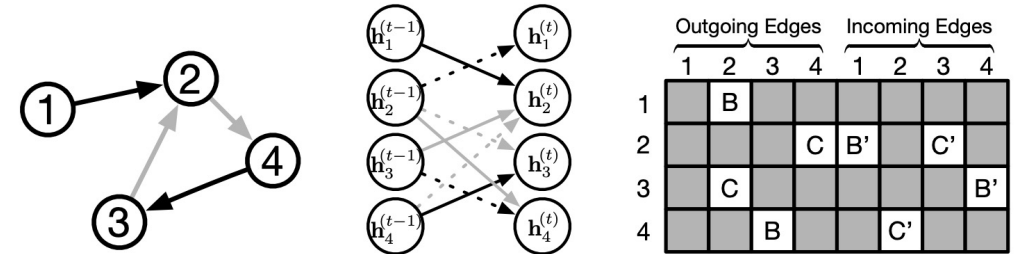
Incoming &
outcoming
edges for
node v_i

$$\mathbf{h}_i^{(0)} = [\mathbf{x}_i^T, \mathbf{0}]^T$$

$$\mathbf{a}_i^{(l)} = A_i^T [\mathbf{h}_1^{(l-1)} \dots \mathbf{h}_n^{(l-1)}]^T$$

$$\mathbf{h}_i^{(l)} = \text{GRU}(\mathbf{a}_i^{(l)}, \mathbf{h}_i^{(l-1)})$$

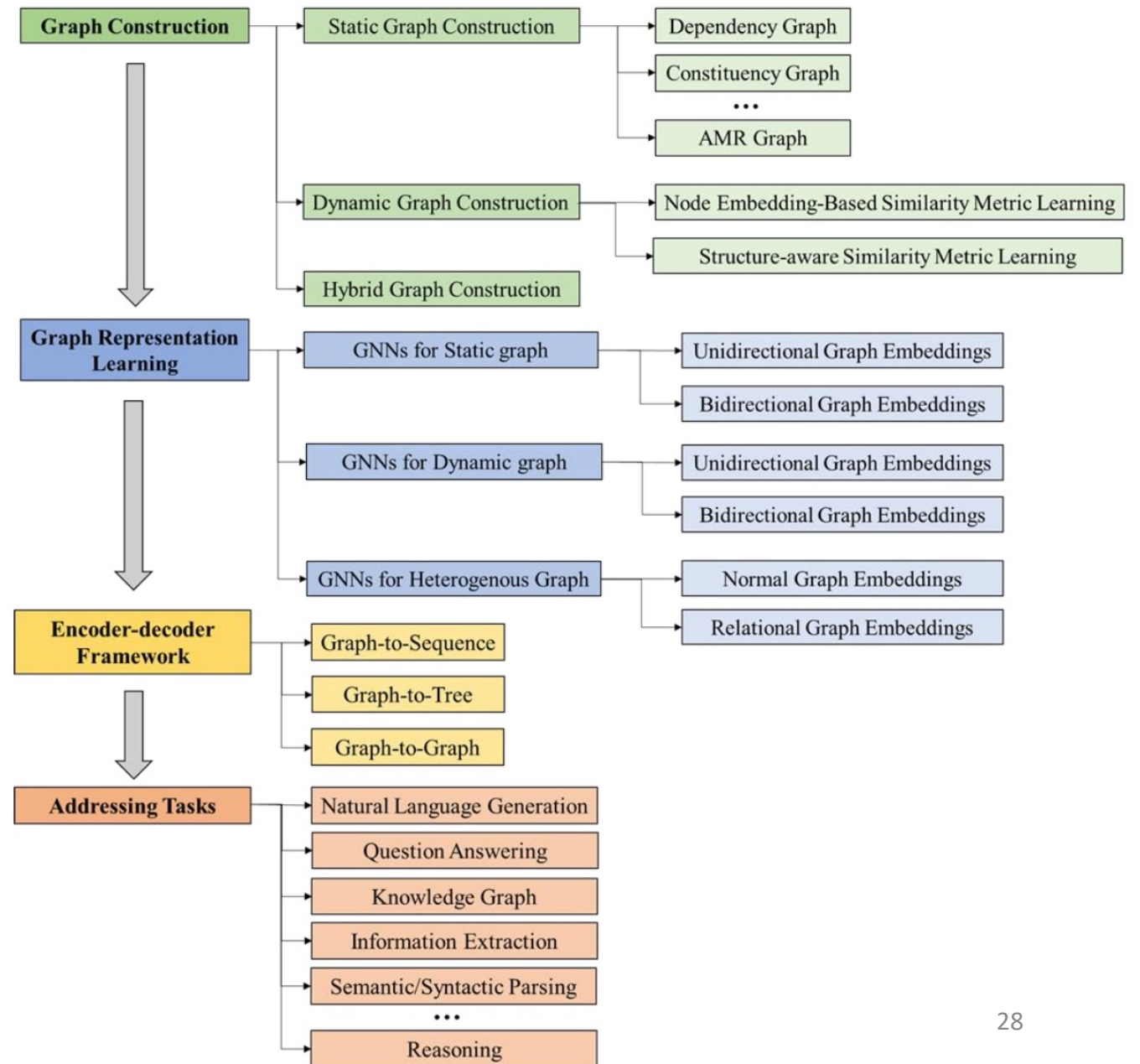
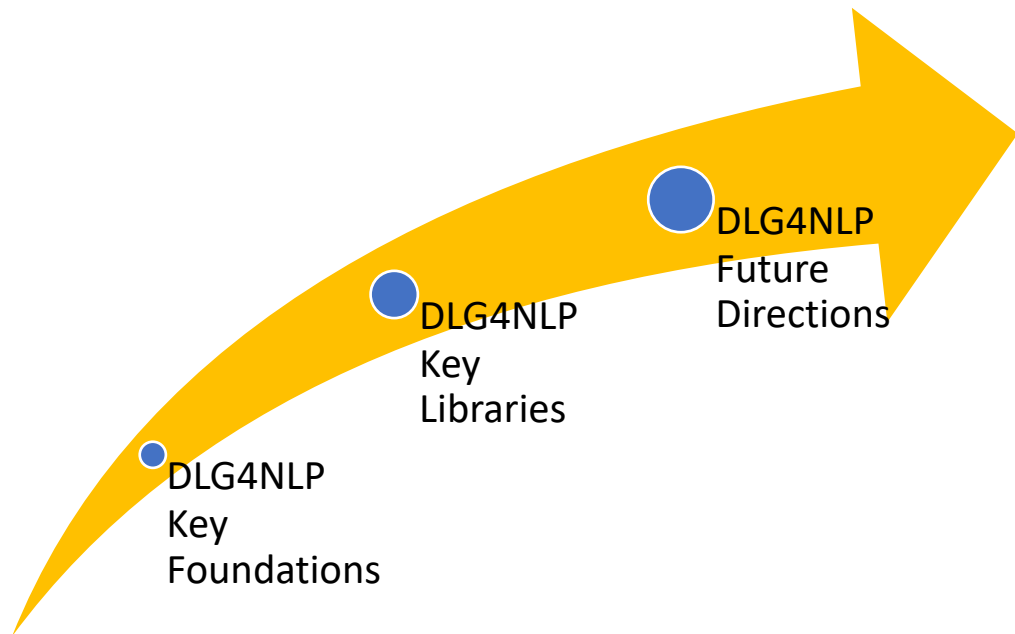
GRU for fusing node embeddings



GGNN in NLP Tasks:

- Semantic parsing
- Machine translation

DLG4NLP: A Roadmap



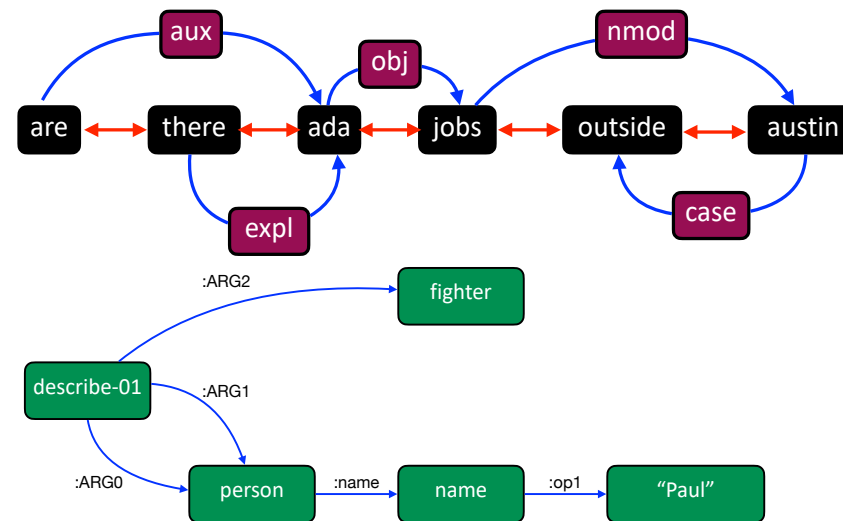
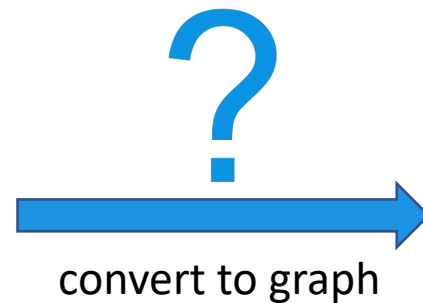
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Foundations

Graph Construction for NLP

Why Graph Construction for NLP?

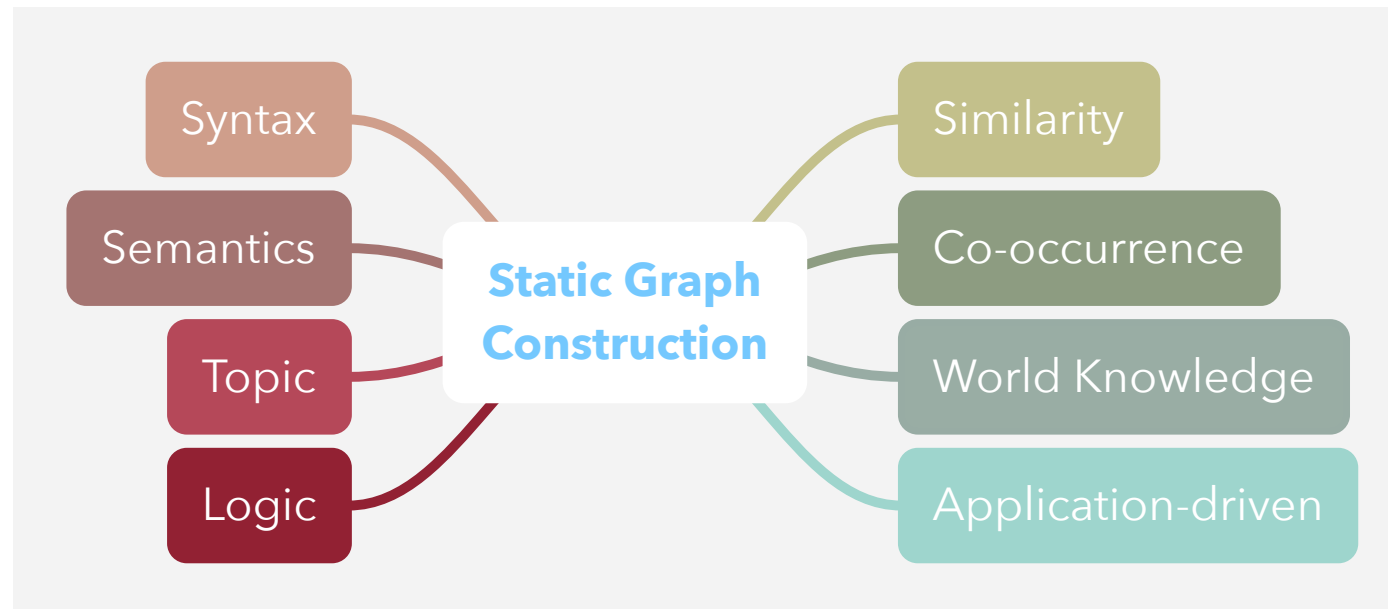
- Representation power: **graph** > sequence > bag
- Different NLP tasks require **different aspects** of text , e.g., syntax, semantics.
- Different graphs capture different aspects of the text
- Two categories: static vs dynamic graph construction
- Goal: good downstream task performance



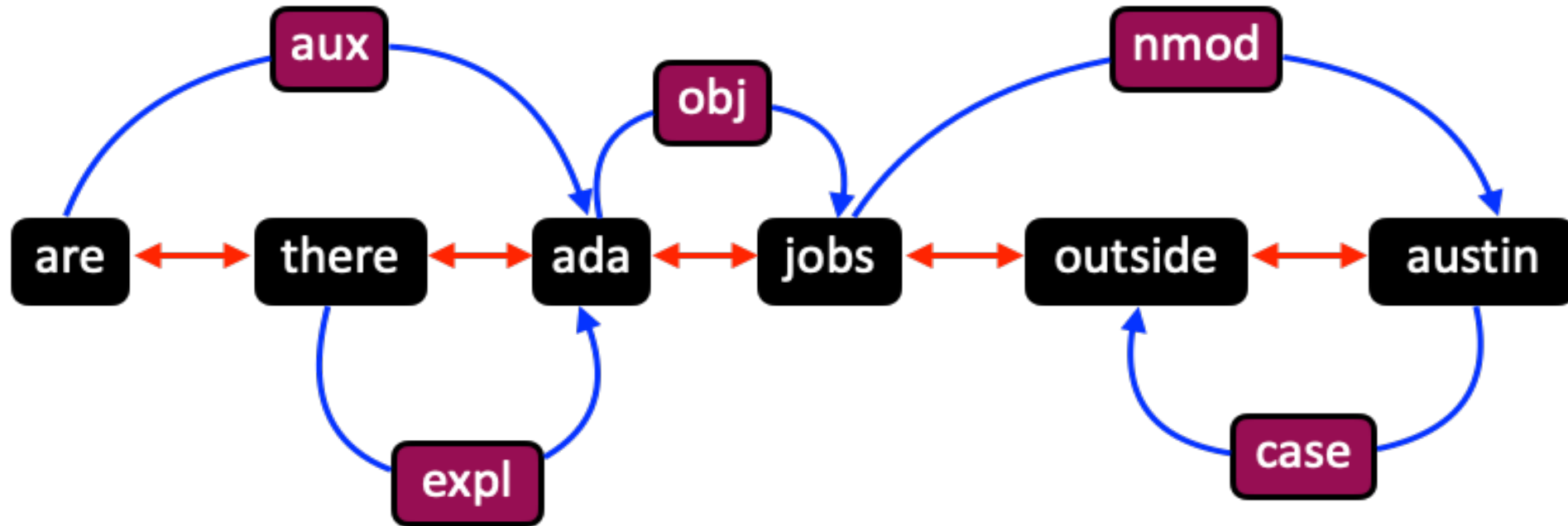
many more graph options...

Static Graph Construction

- Problem setting:
 - **Input:** raw text (e.g., sentence, paragraph, document, corpus)
 - **Output:** graph
- Conducted during **preprocessing** by augmenting text with **domain knowledge**



Static Graph Construction: Dependency Graph

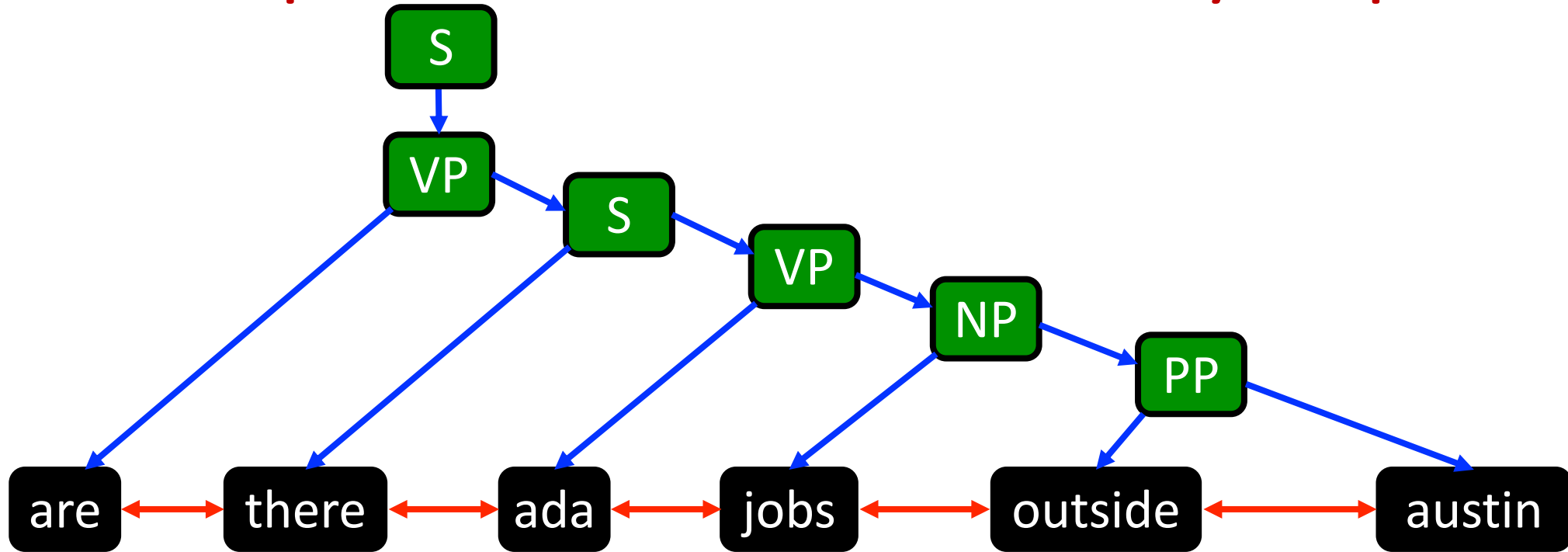


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Dependency parsing

Text input: are there ada jobs outside austin

- Add additional **sequential edges** to
- 1) reserve sequential information in raw text
 - 2) connect multiple dependency graphs in a paragraph

Static Graph Construction: Constituency Graph

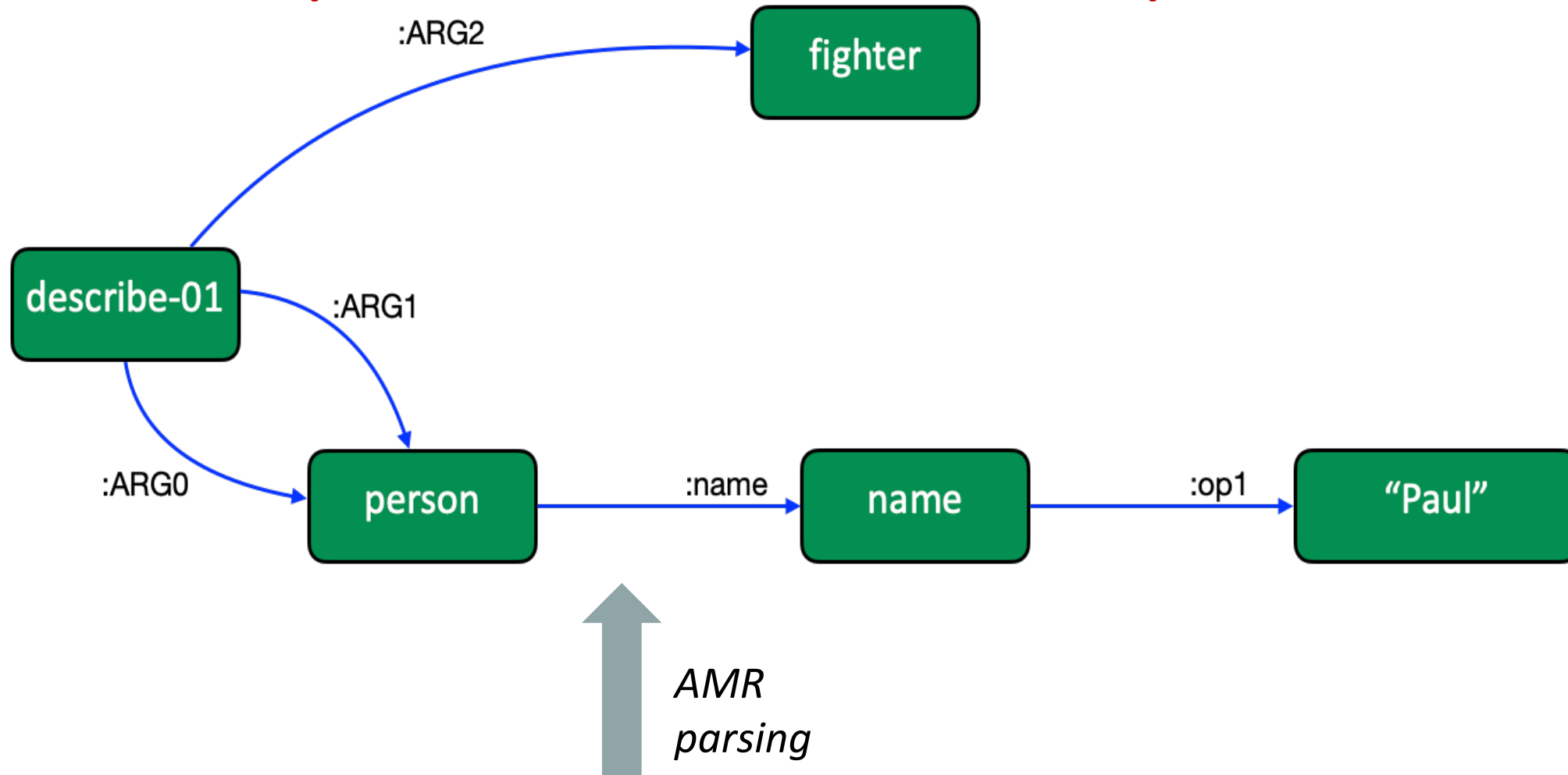


*Constituency
parsing*

Again, add additional **sequential edges**

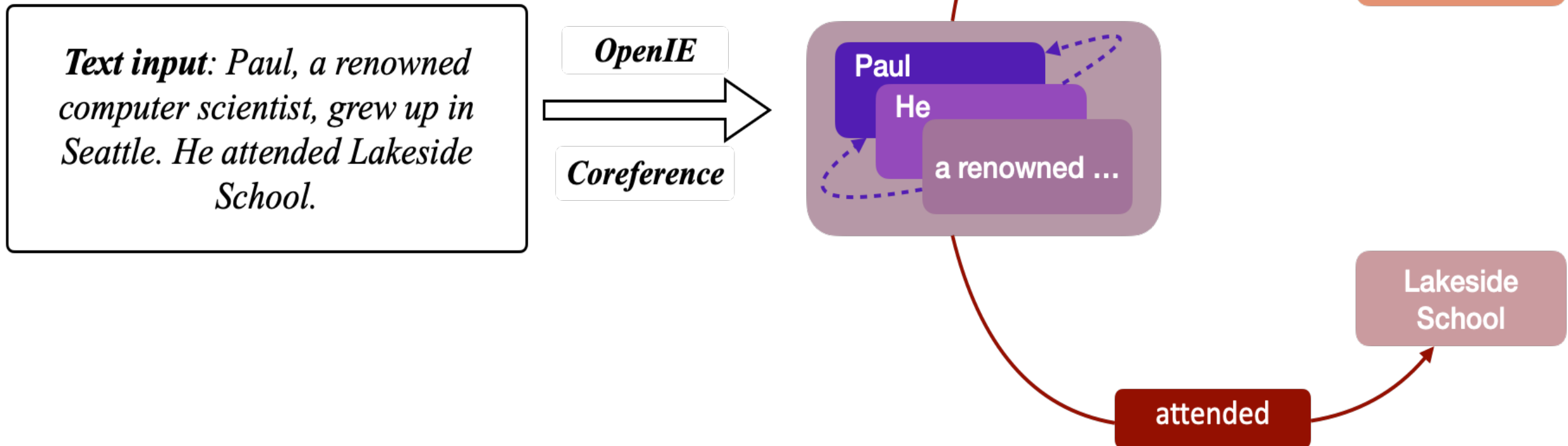
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Static Graph Construction: AMR Graph

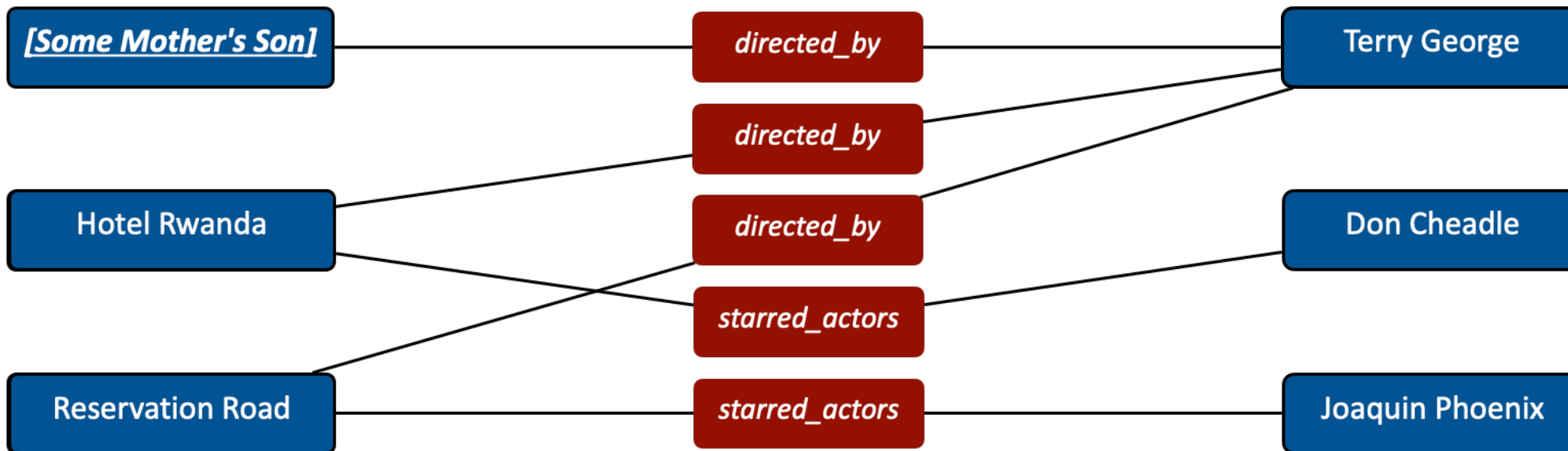


Text input: Paul's description of himself: a fighter

Static Graph Construction: IE Graph



Static Graph Construction: Knowledge Graph



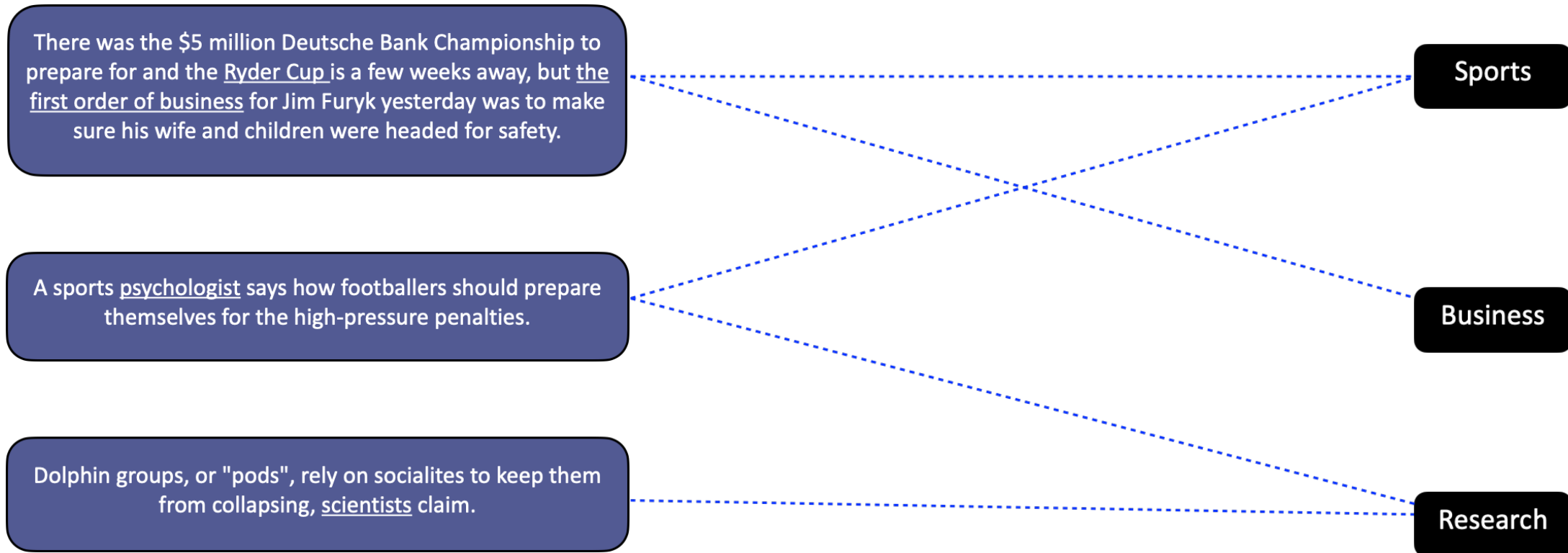
Get the concept sub-graph from KB



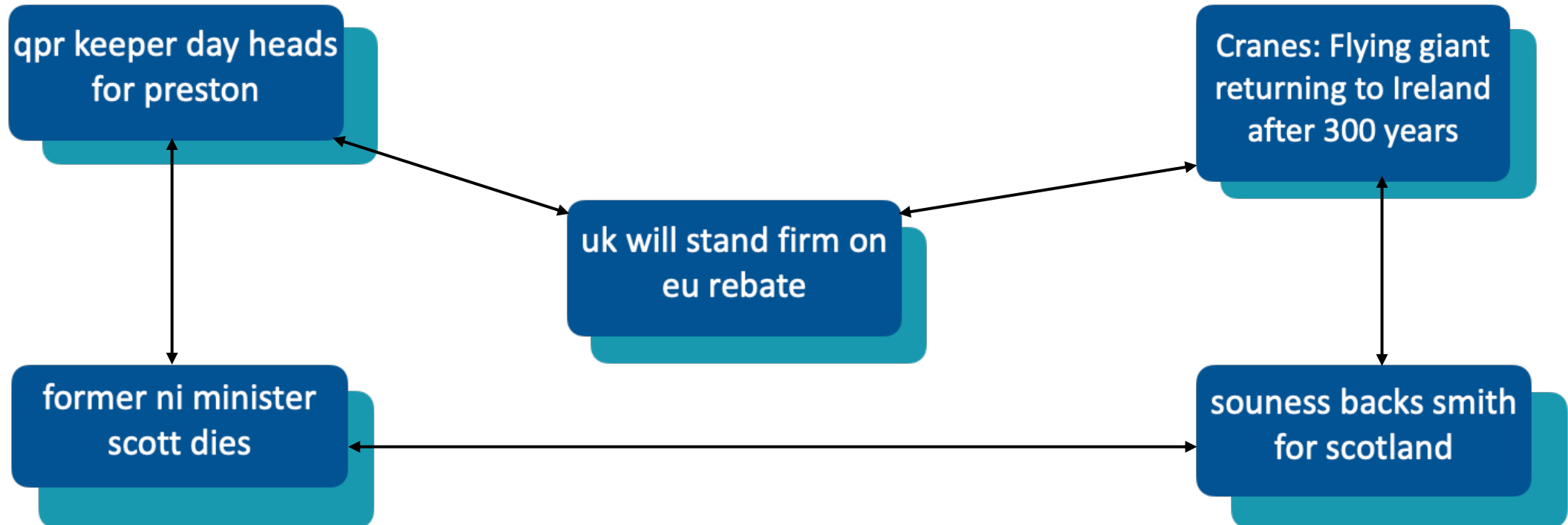
Question: *who acted in the movies directed by the director of [Some Mother's Son]*

Answer: *Don Cheadle, Joaquin Phoenix*

Static Graph Construction: Topic Graph



Static Graph Construction: Similarity Graph



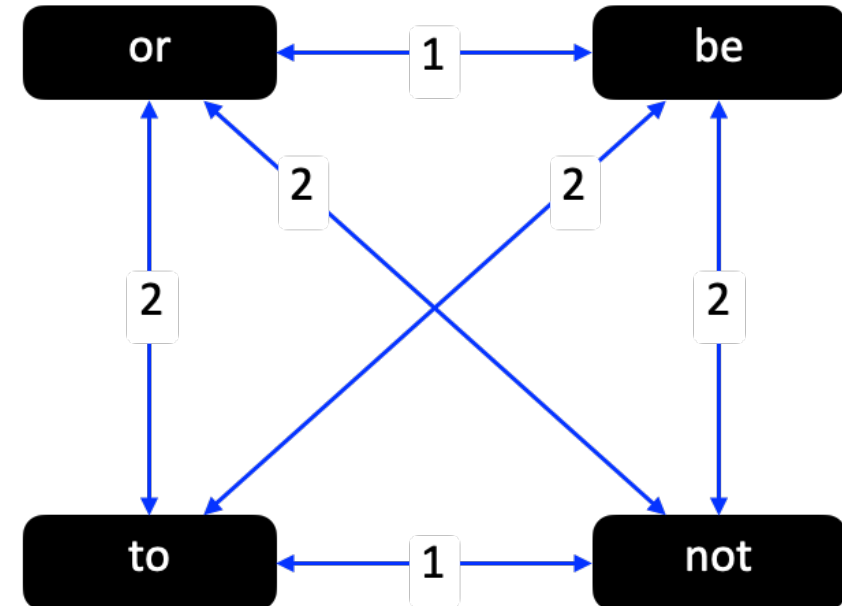
Static Graph Construction: Co-occurrence Graph

Text input: To be, or not to be: ...

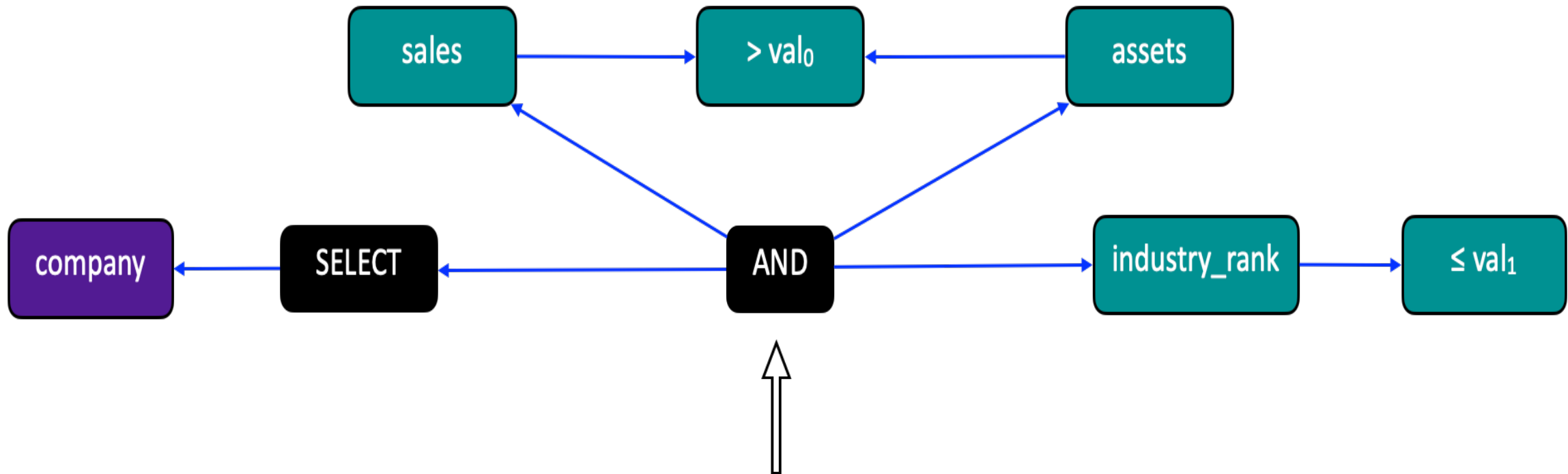
Co-occurrence matrix

	to	be	or	not
to		2	2	1
be	2		1	2
or	2	1		1
not	1	2	1	

Co-occurrence graph



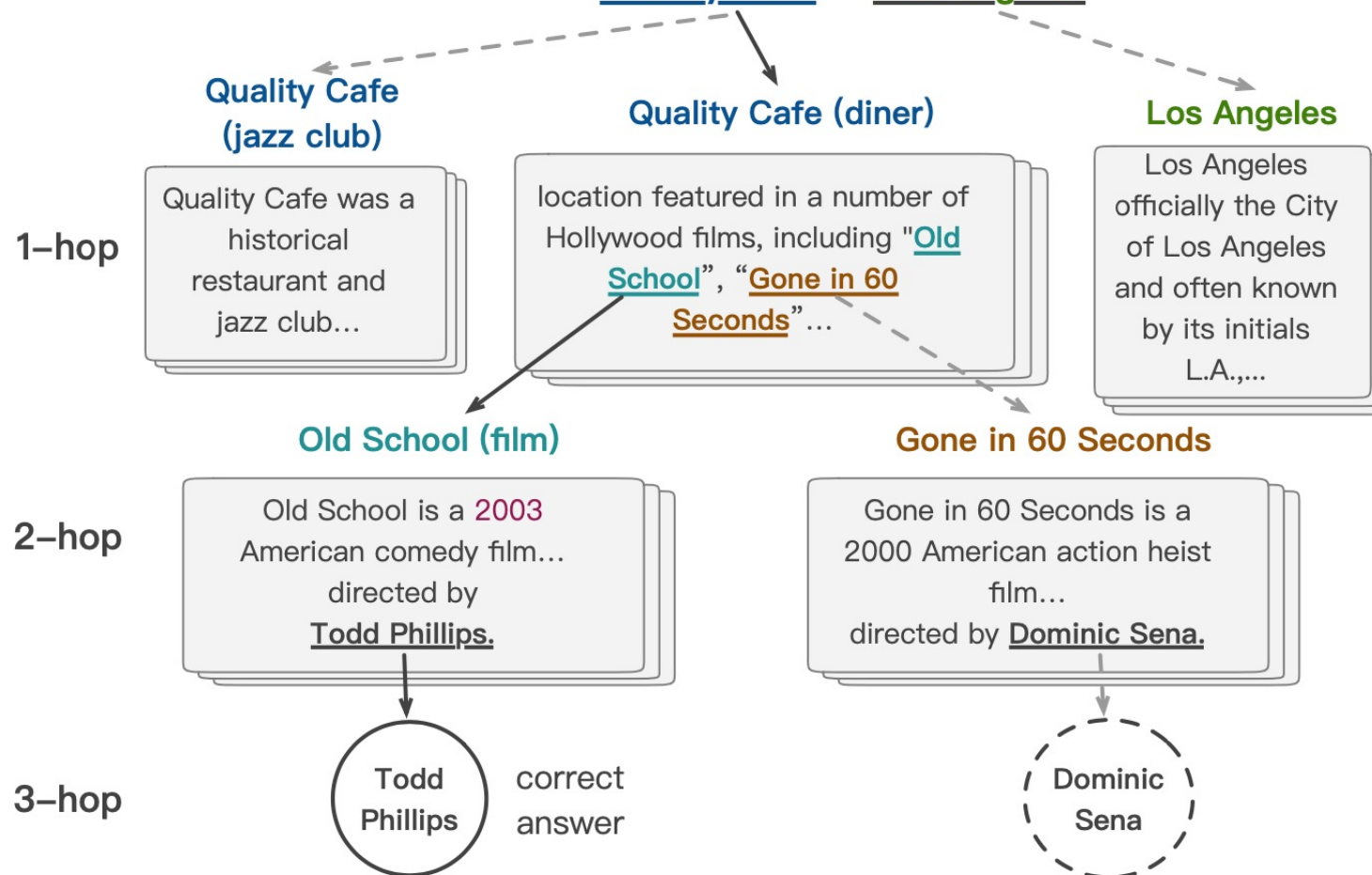
Static Graph Construction: SQL Graph



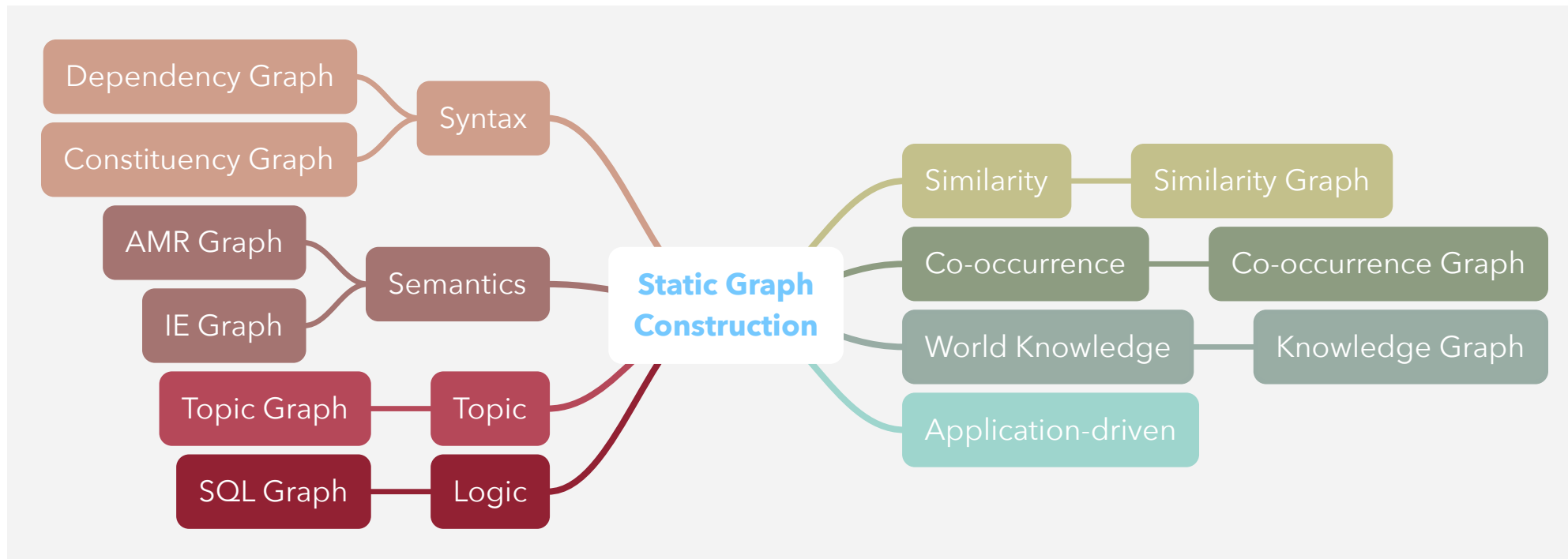
SQL query input: SELECT company WHERE assets > val₀ AND sales > val₀ AND industry_rank ≤ val₁

Static Graph Construction: Application-driven Graph

Question: Who is the director of the 2003 film which has scenes in it filmed at the Quality Cafe in Los Angeles?



Static Graph Construction: Summary

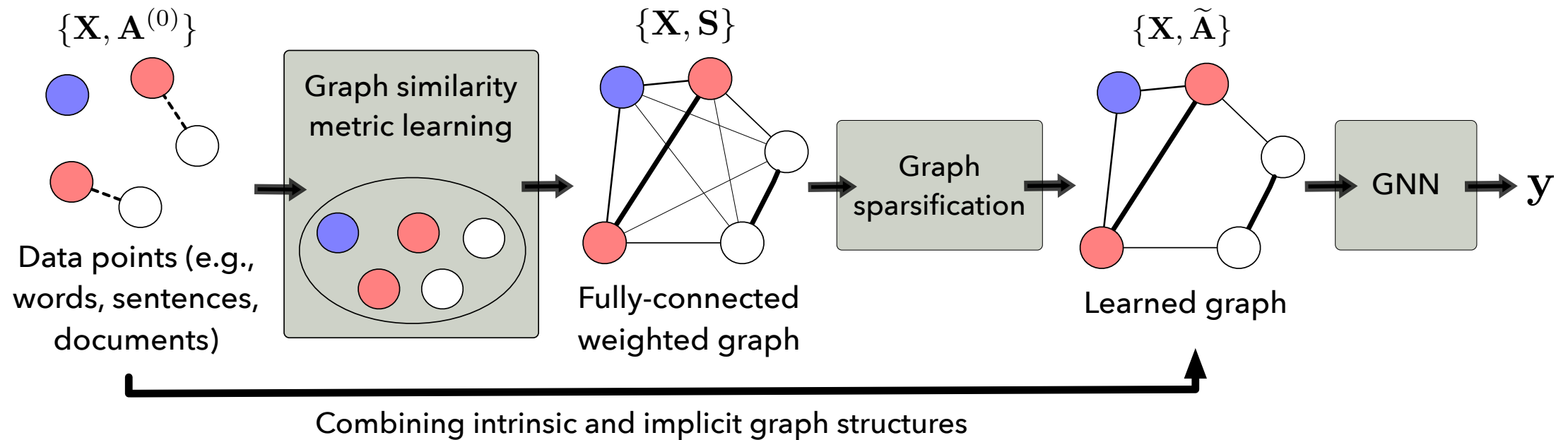


Widely used in various NLP applications such as NLG, MRC, semantic parsing, etc.

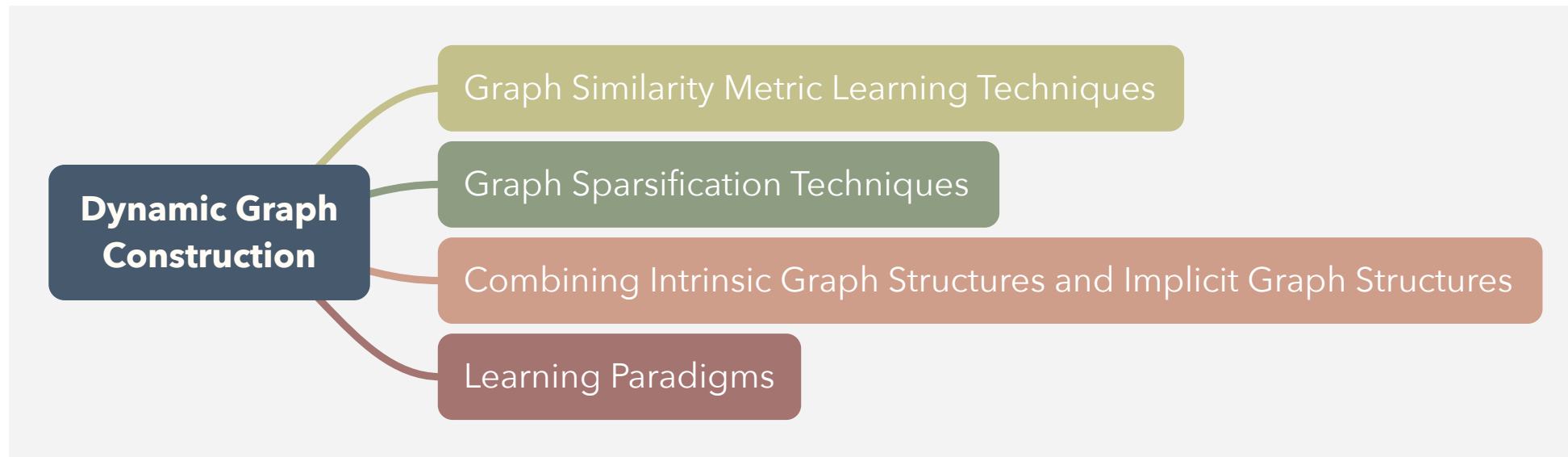
Dynamic Graph Construction

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- Graph structure (adjacency matrix) learning **on the fly, joint** with graph representation learning

Dynamic Graph Construction: Overview

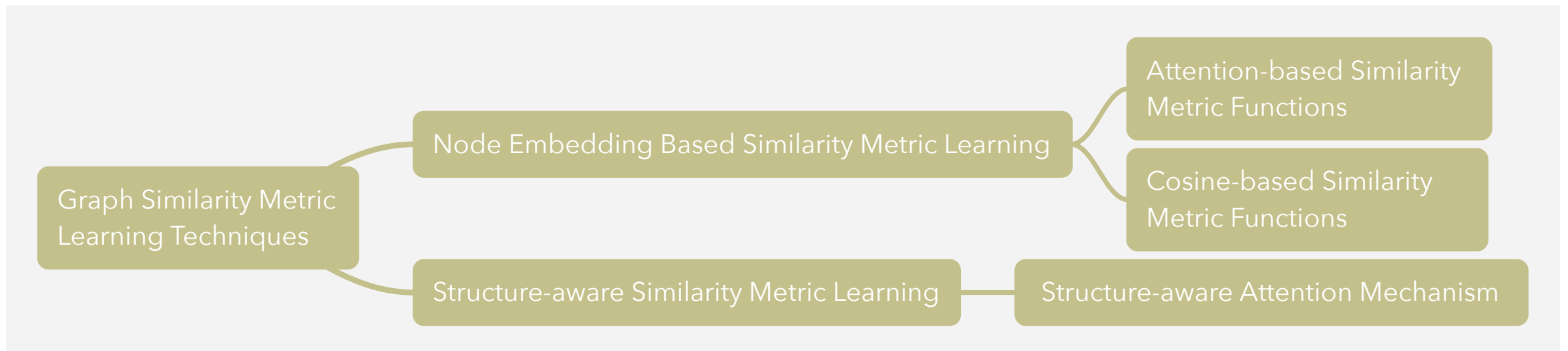


Dynamic Graph Construction Outline



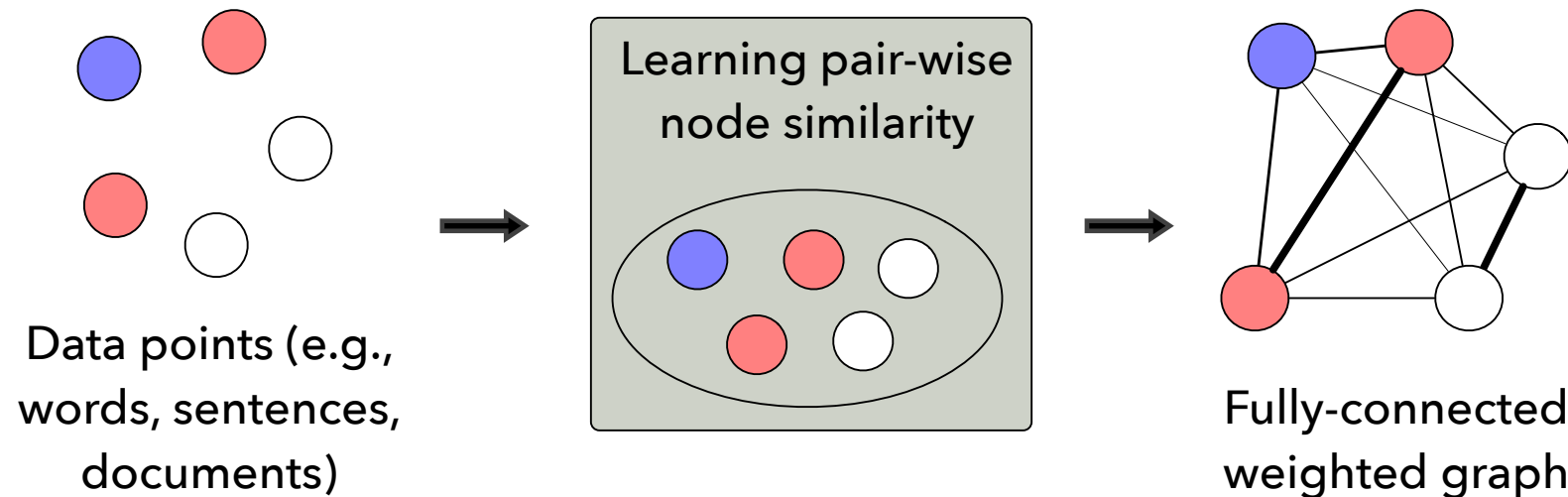
Graph Similarity Metric Learning Techniques

- Graph structure learning as **similarity metric learning** (in the node embedding space)
- Enabling **inductive learning**
- Various metric functions



Node Embedding Based Similarity Metric Learning

- Learning a weighted adjacency matrix by computing the **pair-wise node similarity** in the embedding space
- Common metrics functions
 - Attention-based similarity metric functions
 - Cosine-based similarity metric functions



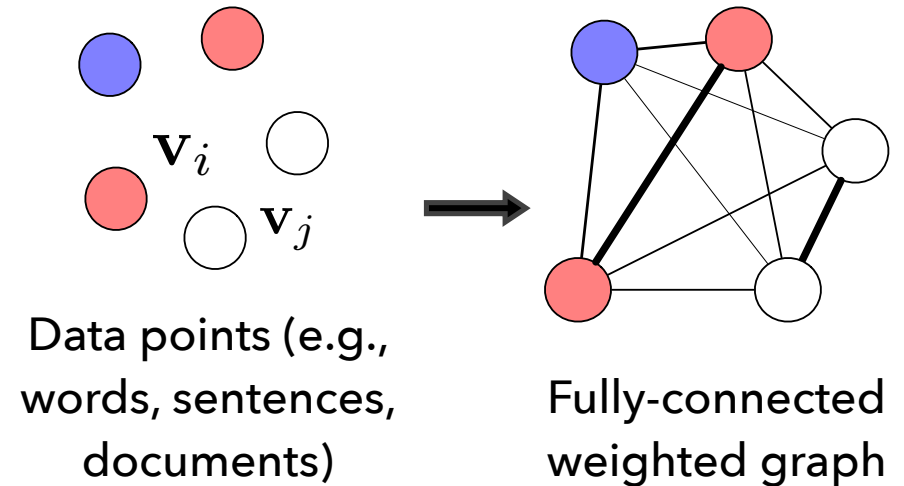
Attention-based Similarity Metric Functions

Variant 1)

$$S_{i,j} = (\mathbf{v}_i \odot \mathbf{u})^T \mathbf{v}_j$$

Node feature vector

Non-negative learnable weight vector



Variant 2)

$$S_{i,j} = \text{ReLU}(\mathbf{W} \mathbf{v}_i)^T \text{ReLU}(\mathbf{W} \mathbf{v}_j)$$

Learnable weight matrix

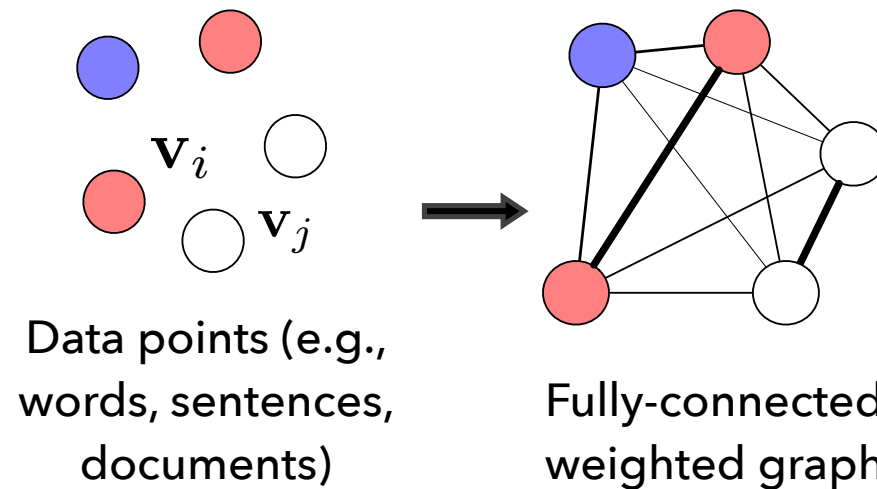
Cosine-based Similarity Metric Functions

$$S_{i,j}^p = \cos(\mathbf{w}_p \odot \mathbf{v}_i, \mathbf{w}_p \odot \mathbf{v}_j)$$

⊙ → Learnable weight vector

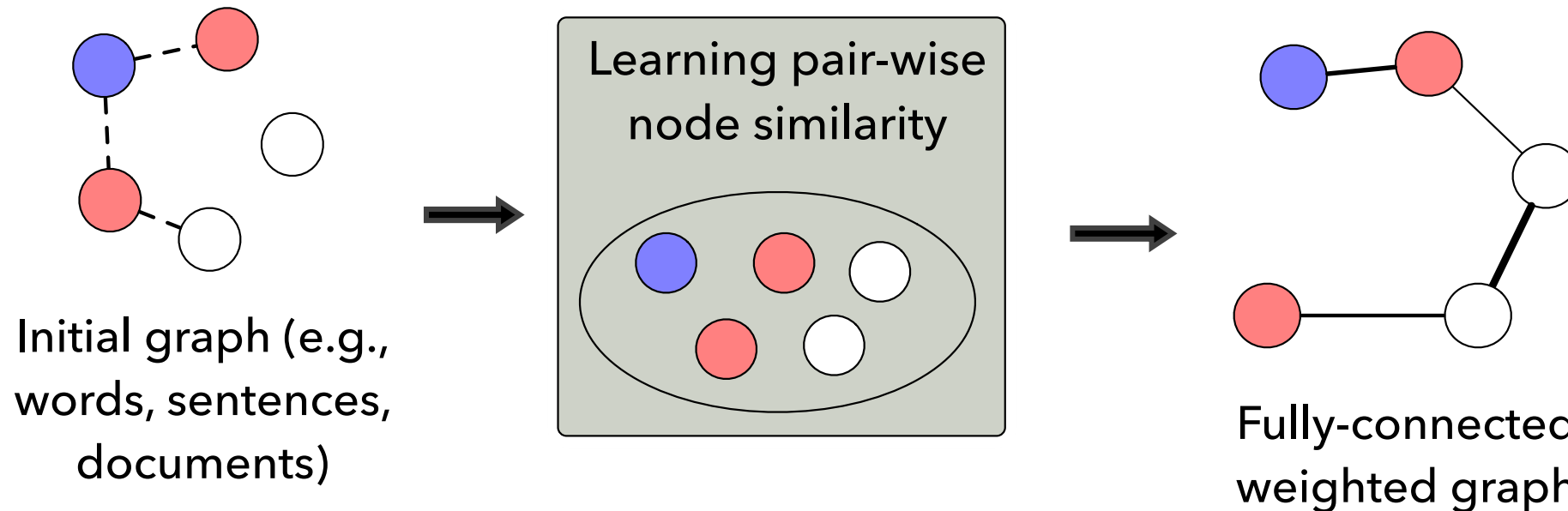
$$S_{i,j} = \frac{1}{m} \sum_{p=1}^m S_{ij}^p$$

Multi-head similarity scores



Structure-aware Similarity Metric Learning

- Learning a weighted adjacency matrix by computing the **pair-wise node similarity** in the embedding space
- Considering **existing edge information** of the intrinsic graph in addition to the node information

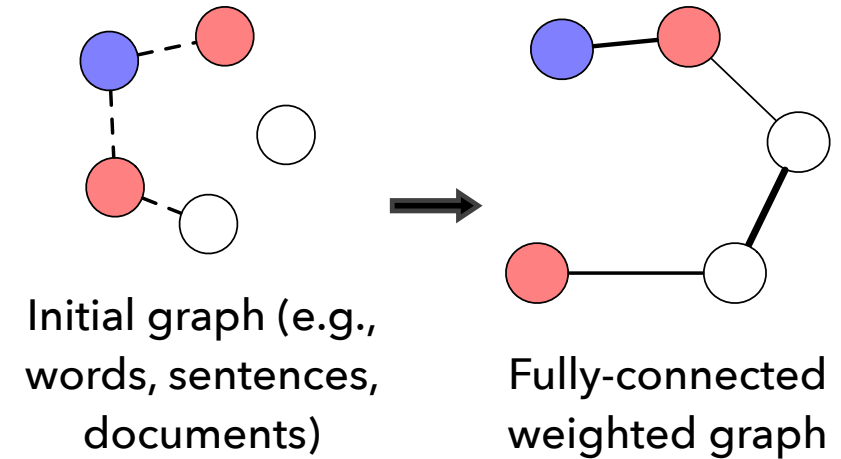


Attention-based Similarity Metric Functions

Variant 1)

$$S_{i,j}^l = \text{softmax}(\mathbf{u}^T \tanh(\mathbf{W}[\mathbf{h}_i^l, \mathbf{h}_j^l, \mathbf{v}_i, \mathbf{v}_j, \mathbf{e}_{i,j}])))$$

Edge embeddings

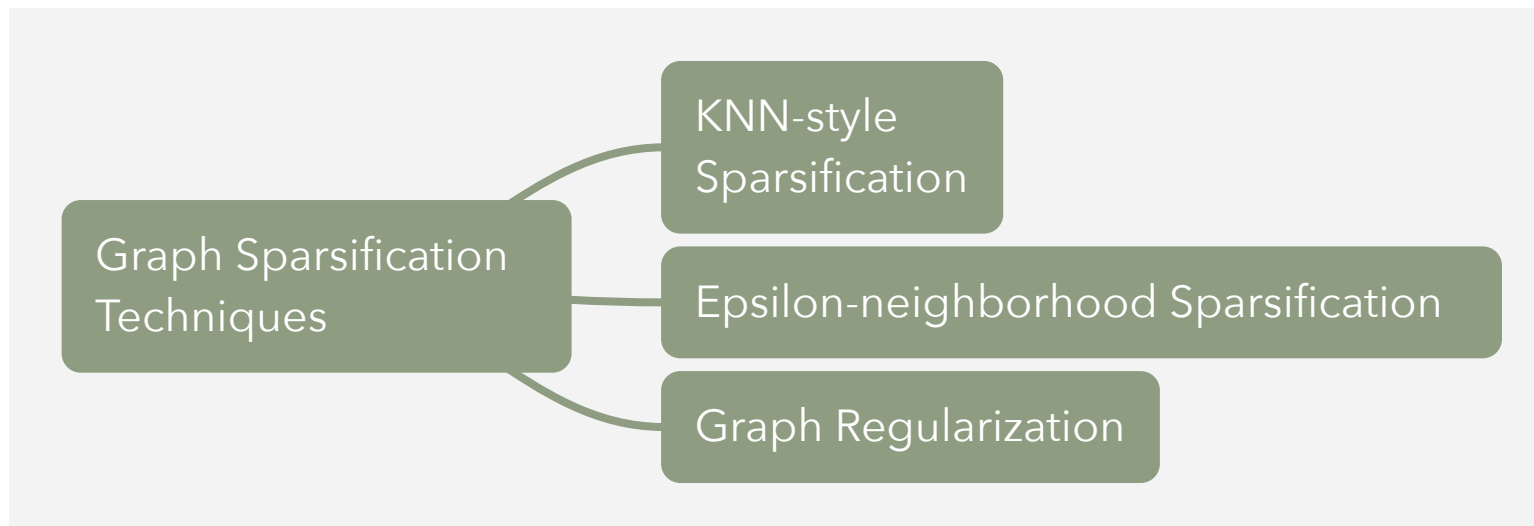


Variant 2)

$$S_{i,j} = \frac{\text{ReLU}(\mathbf{W}^Q \mathbf{v}_i)^T (\text{ReLU}(\mathbf{W}^K \mathbf{v}_i) + \text{ReLU}(\mathbf{W}^R \mathbf{e}_{i,j}))}{\sqrt{d}}$$

Graph Sparsification Techniques

- Similarity metric functions learn a fully-connected graph
- Fully-connected graph is **computationally expensive** and might introduce **noise**
- Enforcing sparsity to the learned graph structure
- Various techniques



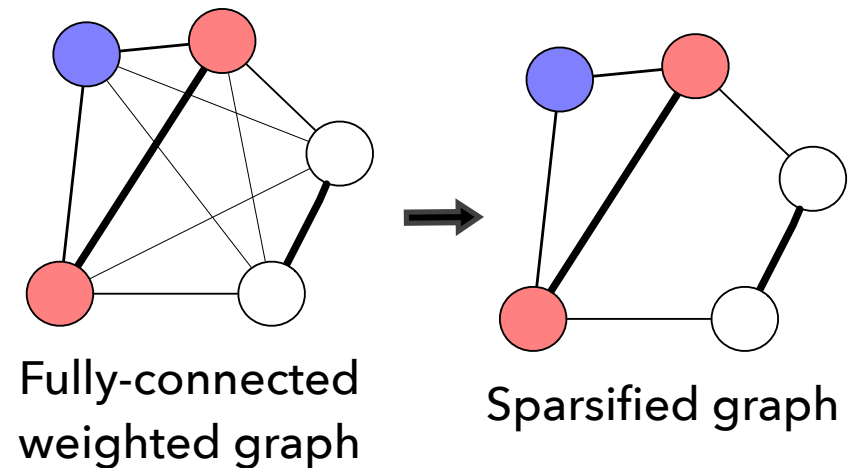
Common Graph Sparsification Options

Option 1) KNN-style Sparsification

$$\mathbf{A}_{i,:} = \text{topk}(\mathbf{S}_{i,:})$$

Option 2) epsilon-neighborhood Sparsification

$$A_{i,j} = \begin{cases} S_{i,j} & S_{i,j} > \varepsilon \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$



Option 3) graph Regularization

$$\frac{1}{n^2} \|\mathbf{A}\|_F^2$$

Combining Intrinsic and Implicit Graph Structures

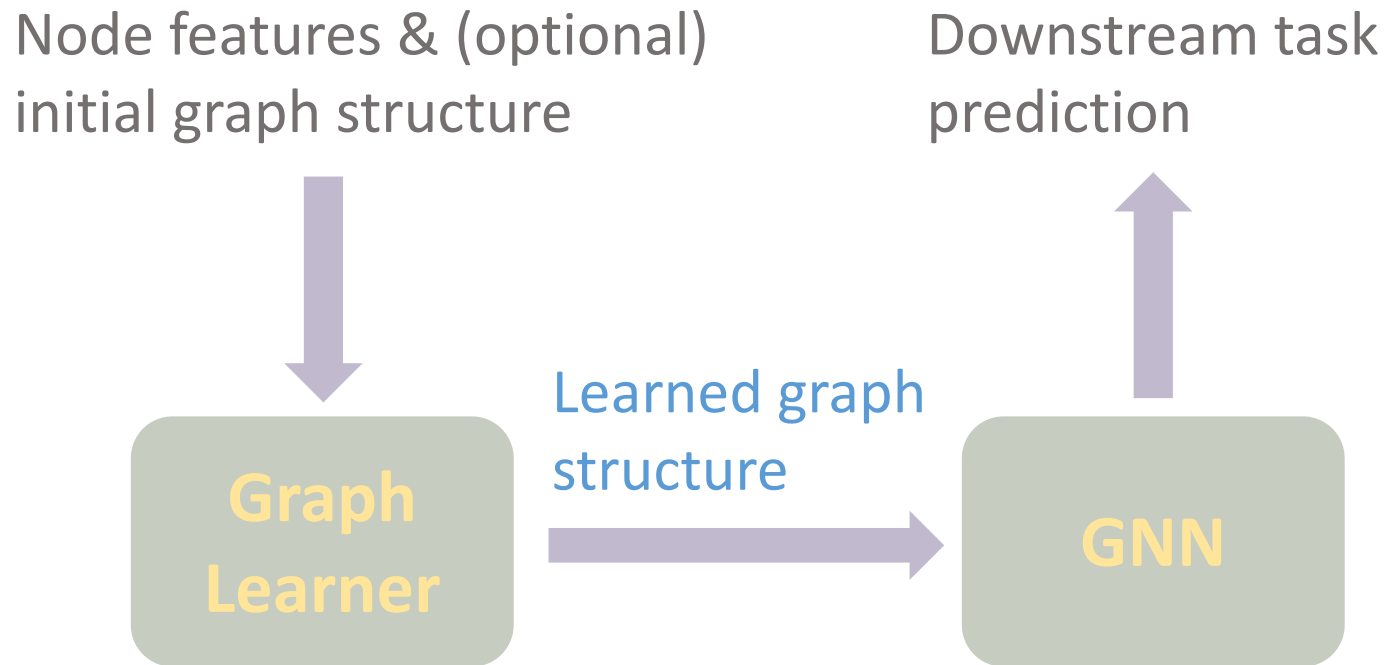
- Intrinsic graph typically still carries rich and useful information
- Learned implicit graph is potentially a “shift” (e.g., substructures) from the intrinsic graph structure

$$\tilde{A} = \lambda L^{(0)} + (1 - \lambda)f(A)$$

Normalized graph Laplacian

$f(A)$ can be arbitrary operation, e.g., graph Laplacian, row-normalization

Learning Paradigms: Joint Learning



Chen et al. "GraphFlow: Exploiting Conversation Flow with Graph Neural Networks for Conversational Machine Comprehension". IJCAI 2020.

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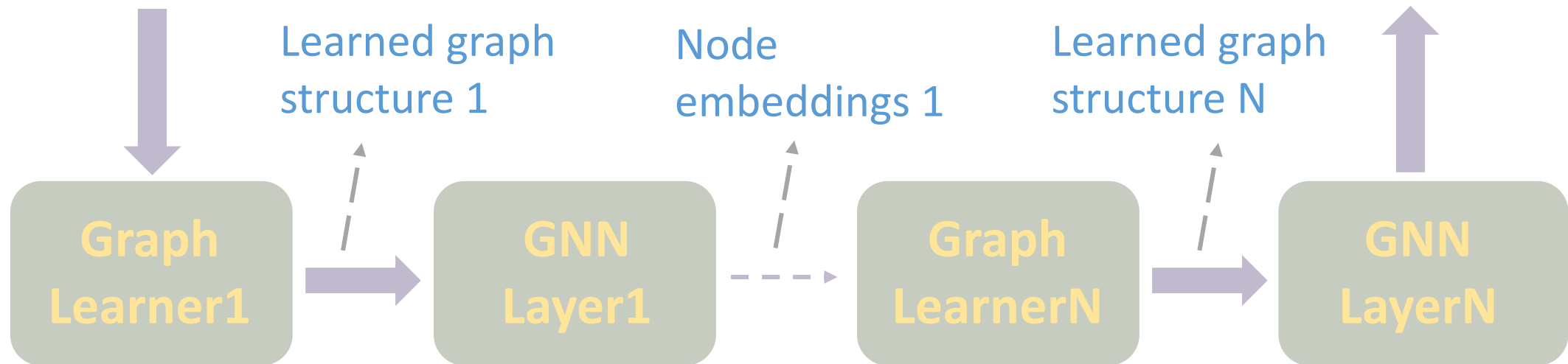
Liu et al. "Contextualized Non-local Neural Networks for Sequence Learning". AAAI 2019.

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Learning Paradigms: Adaptive Learning

Node features & (optional)
initial graph structure

Downstream task
prediction

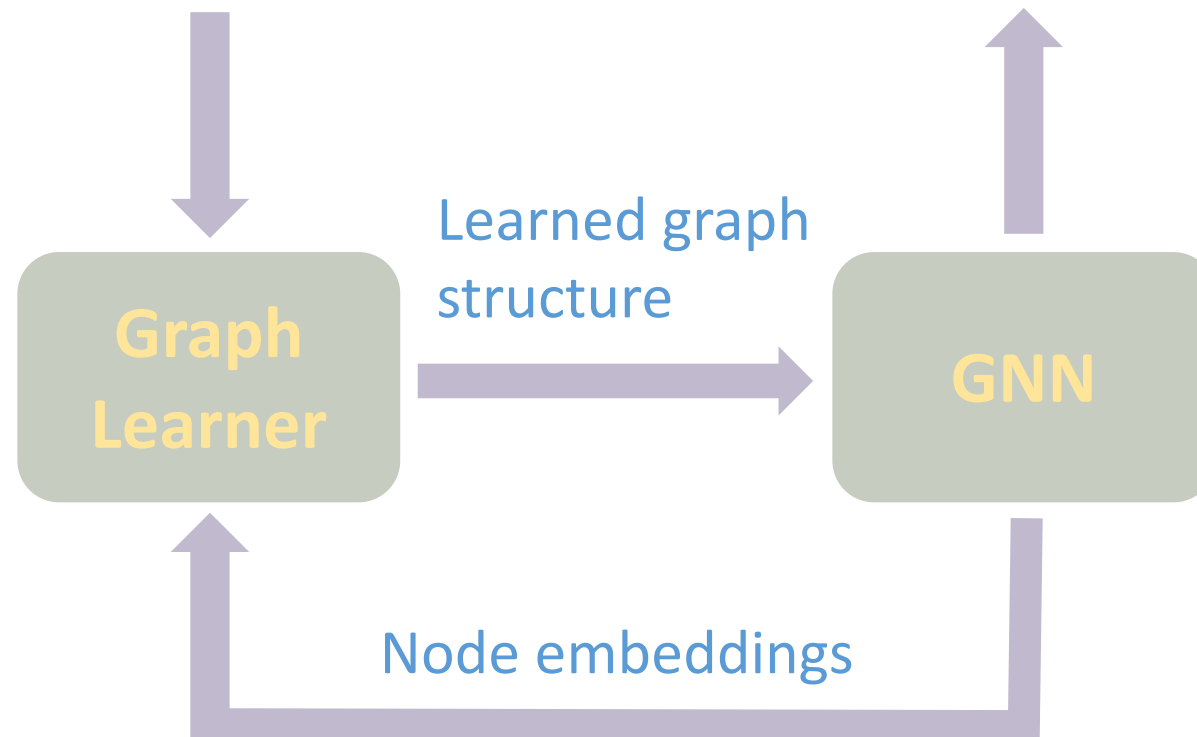


Repeat for fixed num. of stacked GNN layers

Learning Paradigms: Iterative Learning

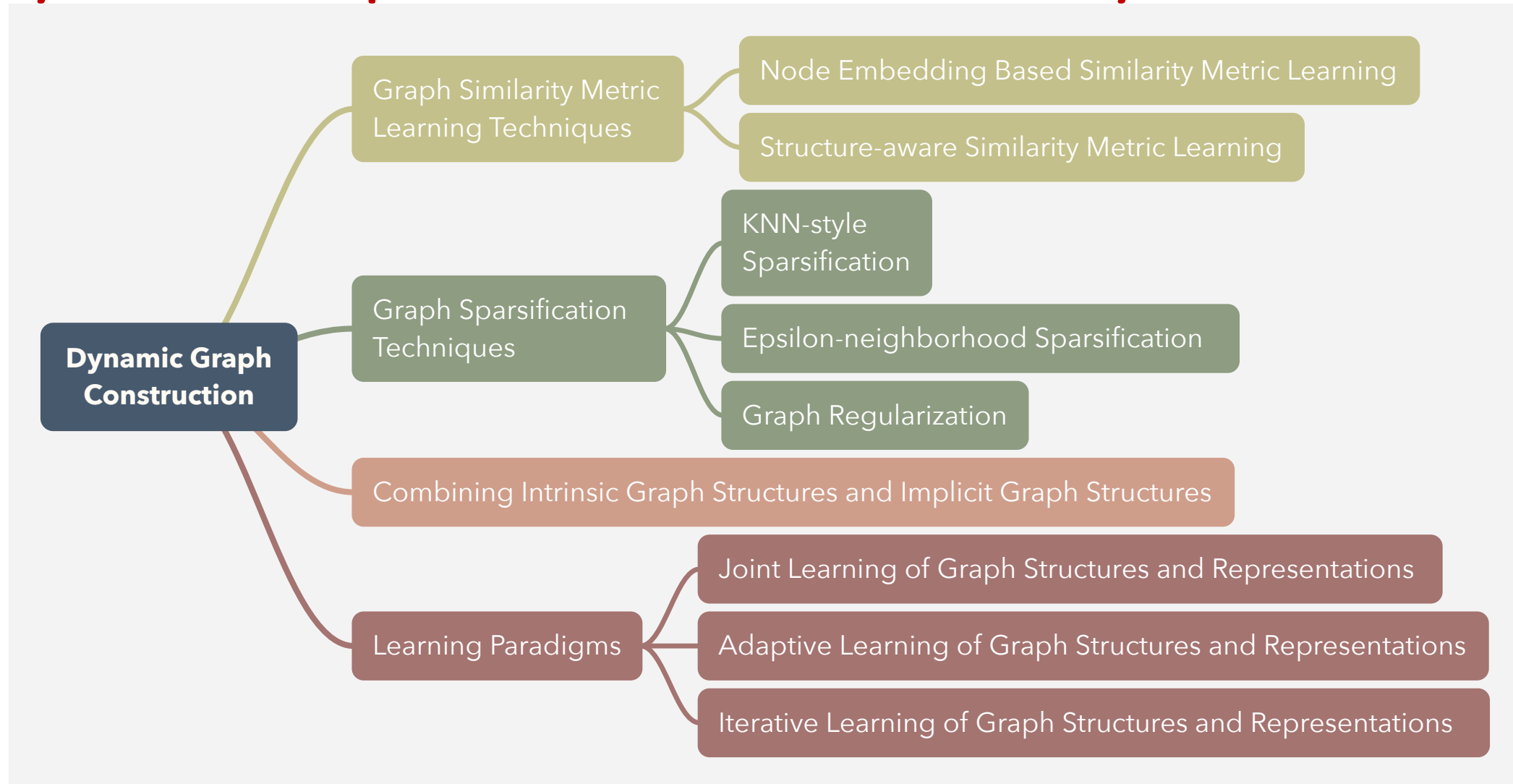
Node features & (optional)
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Downstream task
prediction



Repeat until condition satisfied

Dynamic Graph Construction Summary



Static vs. Dynamic Graph Construction

New topic in DLG4NLP!

Static graph construction	Dynamic graph construction
Pros	Pros
prior knowledge	no domain expertise
	joint graph structure & representation learning
Cons	Cons
extensive domain expertise	scalability
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • error-prone (e.g., noisy, incomplete) • sub-optimal 	explainability
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • disjoint graph structure & representation learning • error accumulation 	

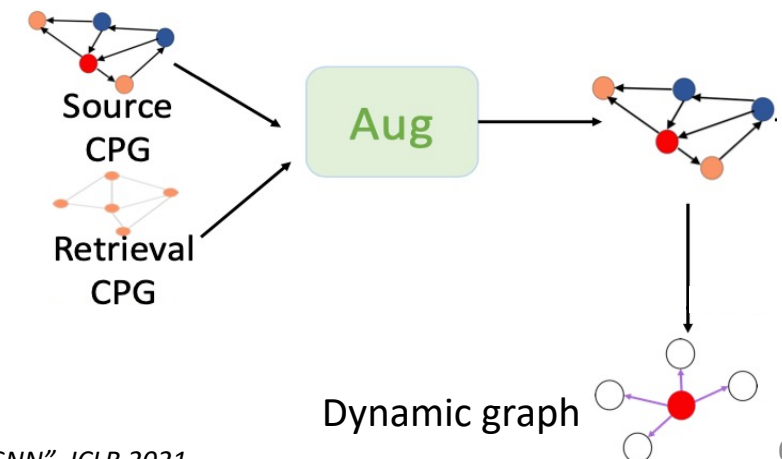
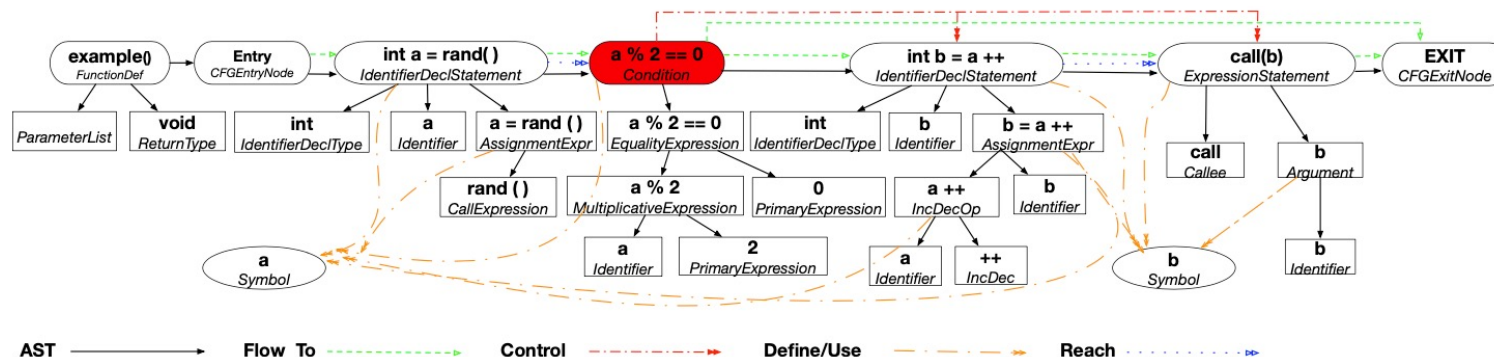
Static vs. Dynamic Graph Construction (cont)

When to use static graph construction

- Domain knowledge which fits the task and can be presented as a graph

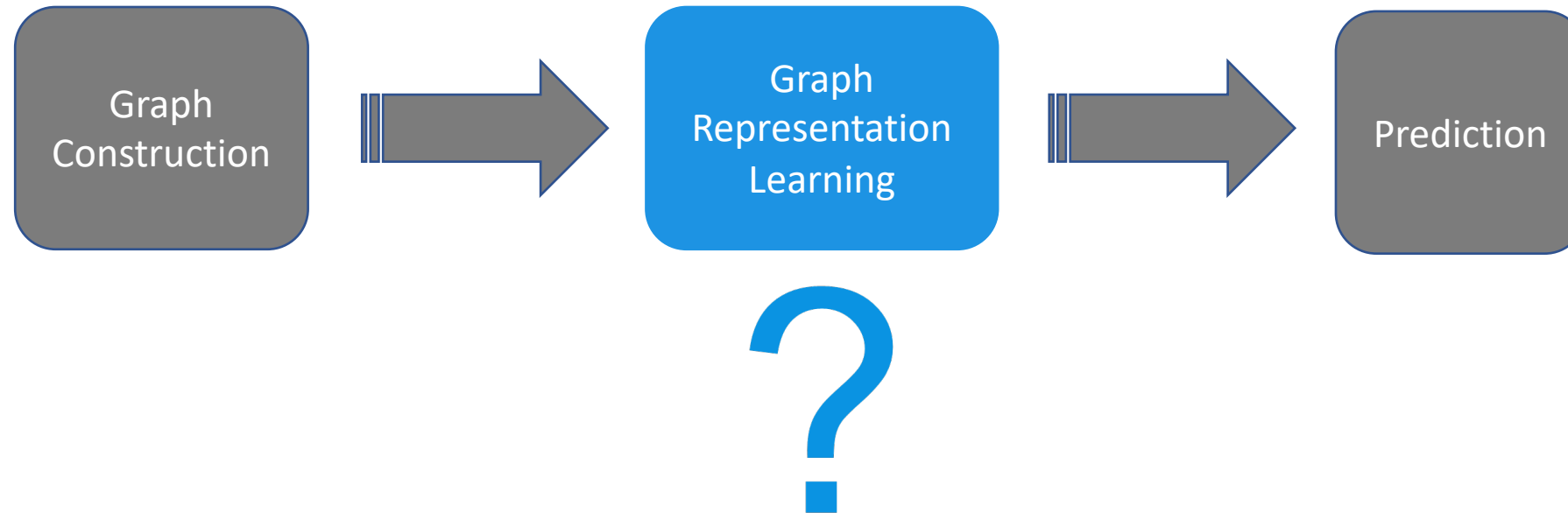
When to use dynamic graph construction

- Lack of domain knowledge which fits the task or can be presented as a graph
- Domain knowledge is incomplete or might contain noise
- To learn implicit graph which augments the static graph



Graph Representation Learning for NLP

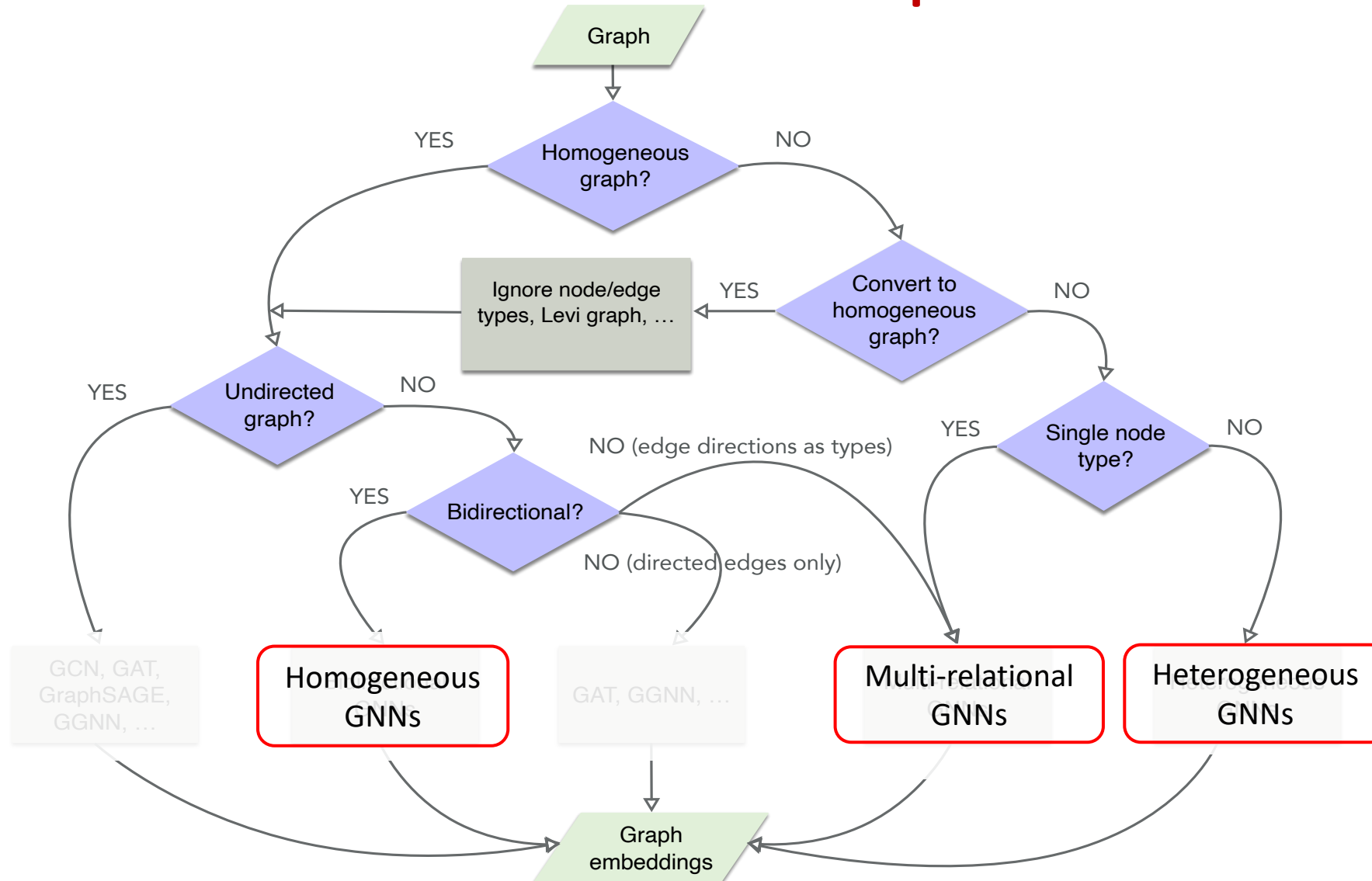
GNNs for Graph Representation Learning



Homogeneous vs Multi-relational vs Heterogeneous Graphs

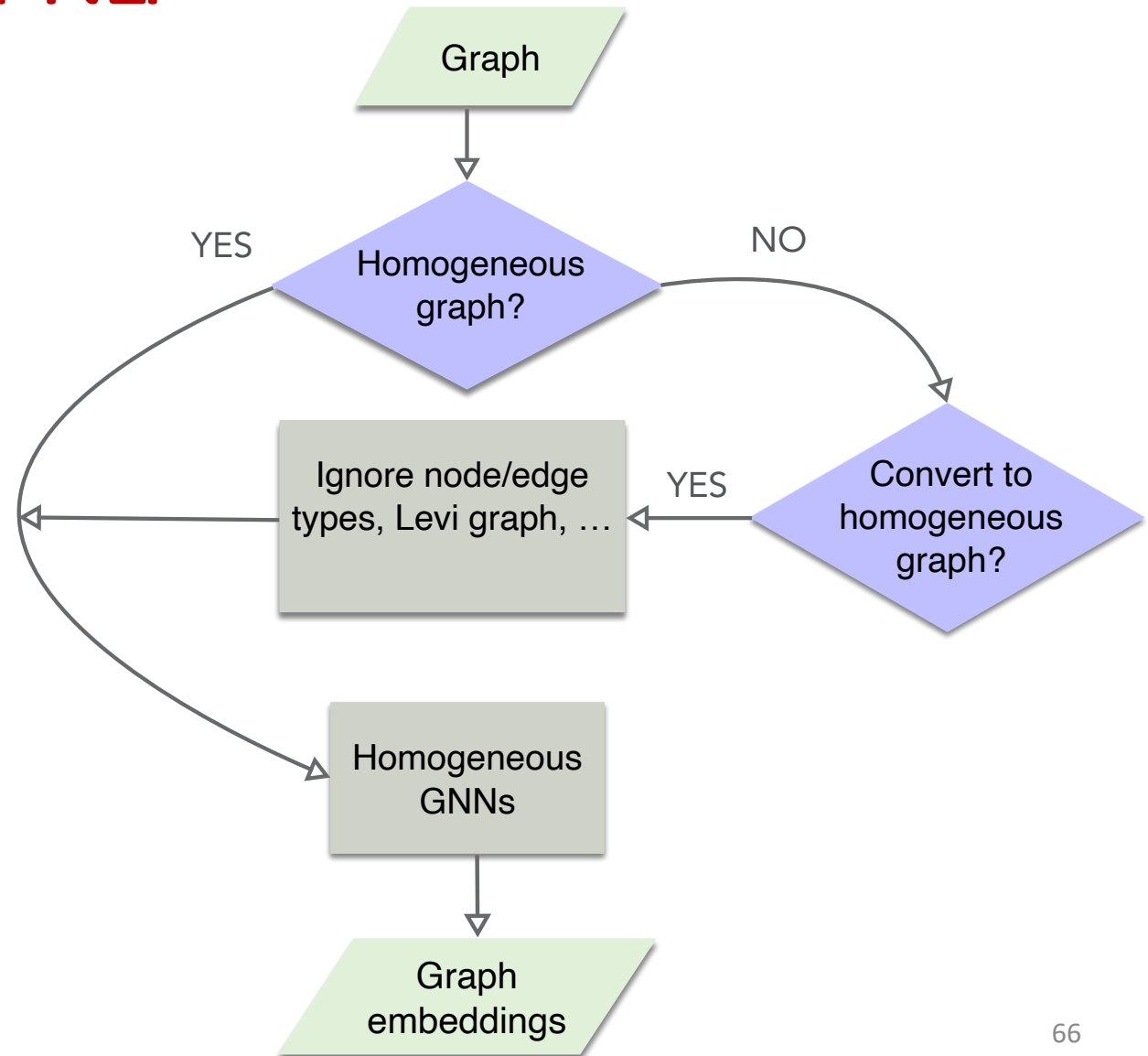
Graph types	Homogeneous	Multi-relational	Heterogeneous
# of node types	1	1	> 1
# of edge types	1	> 1	≥ 1

Which GNNs to Use Given a Graph?

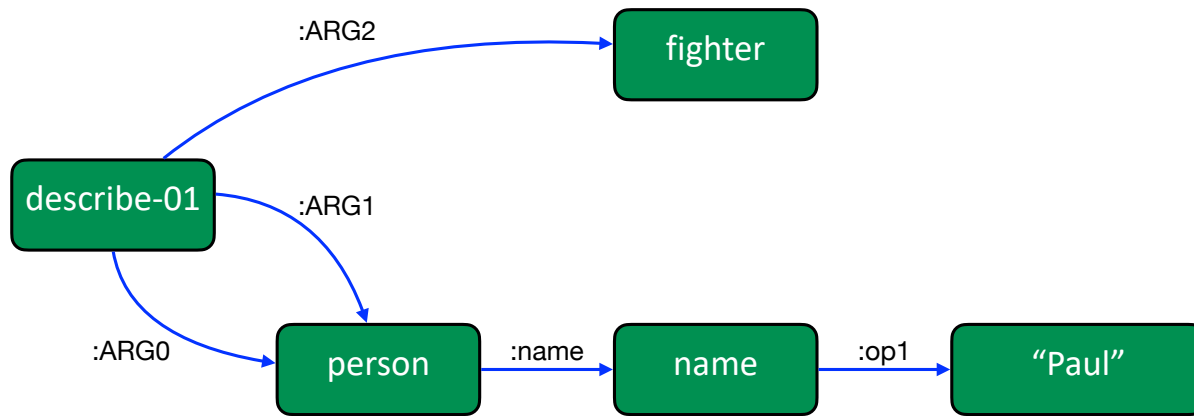


Homogeneous GNNs for NLP

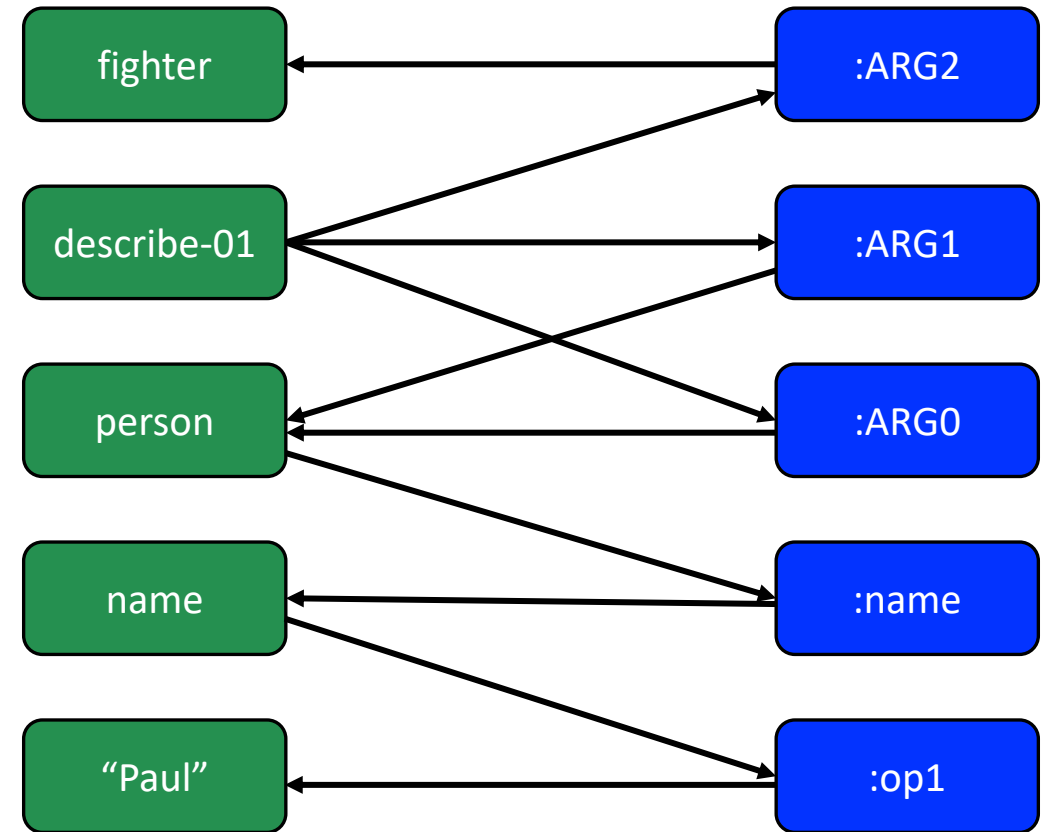
- When to use homogeneous GNNs?
- Homogeneous GNNs
 - GCN
 - GAT
 - GraphSAGE
 - GGNN
 - ...



Non-homogeneous to Homogeneous Conversion via Levi Graph



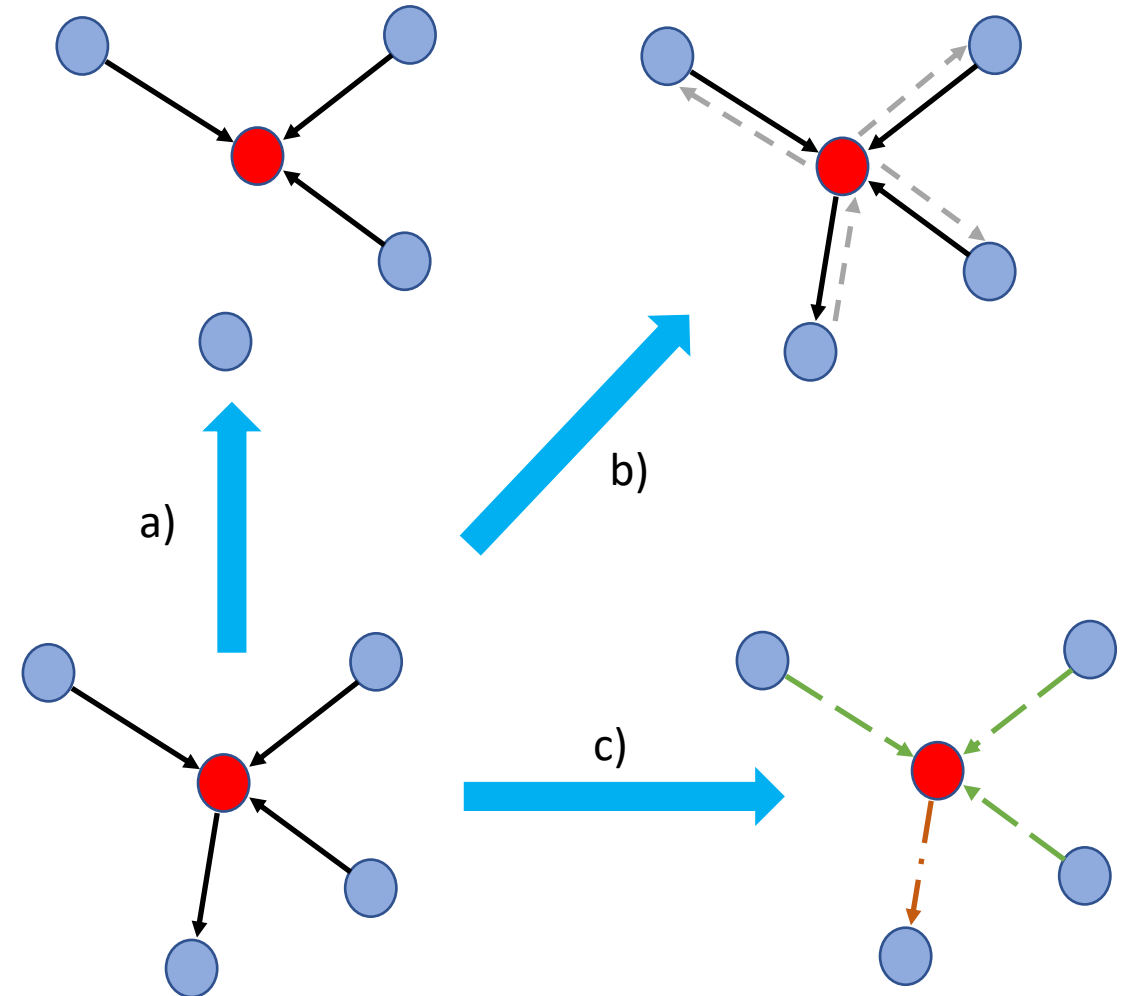
Levi graph conversion



Levi graph: edges as new nodes

How to Handle Edge Direction Information?

- Edge direction is important (think about BiLSTM, BERT)
- Common strategies for handling directed graphs
 - a) Message passing only along directed edges (e.g., GAT, GGNN)
 - b) Regarding edge directions as edge types (i.e., adding “reverse” edges)
 - c) Bidirectional GNNs



Edge Directions as Edge Types

- Regarding edge directions as edge types, resulting in a multi-relational graph

$$dir_{i,j} = \begin{cases} default, & e_{i,j} \text{ is originally existing in the graph} \\ inverse, & e_{i,j} \text{ is the inverse edge} \\ self, & i = j \end{cases}$$

Then we can apply multi-relational GNNs

Bidirectional GNNs for Directed Graphs

Bi-Sep GNNs formulation:

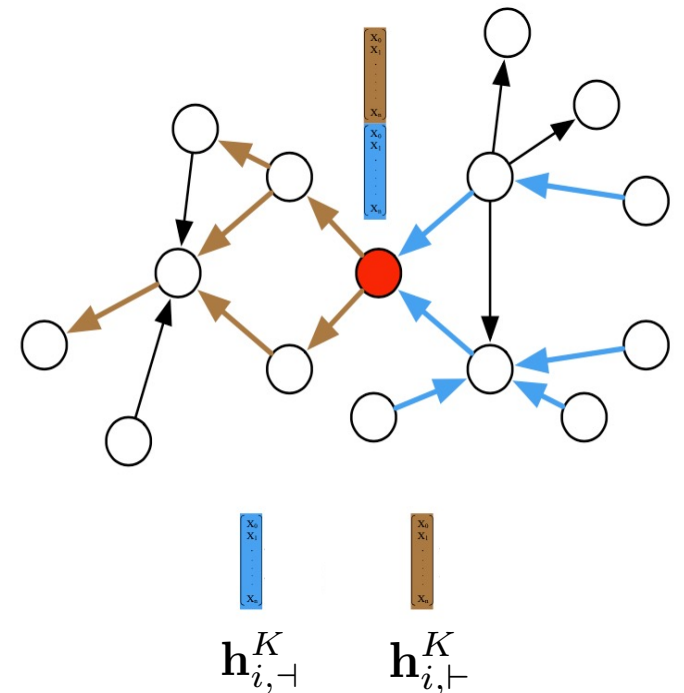
Run multi-hop backward/forward GNN on the graph

$$\mathbf{h}_{i,-}^k = GNN(\mathbf{h}_{i,-}^{k-1}, \{\mathbf{h}_{j,-}^{k-1} : \forall v_j \in \mathcal{N}_{-}(v_i)\})$$

$$\mathbf{h}_{i,+}^k = GNN(\mathbf{h}_{i,+}^{k-1}, \{\mathbf{h}_{j,+}^{k-1} : \forall v_j \in \mathcal{N}_{+}(v_i)\})$$

Concatenate backward/forward node embeddings at last hop

$$\mathbf{h}_i^K = \mathbf{h}_{i,-}^K || \mathbf{h}_{i,+}^K$$



Bidirectional GNNs for Directed Graphs (cont)

Bi-Fuse GNNs formulation:

Run one-hop backward/forward node aggregation

$$\mathbf{h}_{\mathcal{N}_{\leftarrow}(v_i)}^k = AGG(\mathbf{h}_i^{k-1}, \{\mathbf{h}_j^{k-1} : \forall v_j \in \mathcal{N}_{\leftarrow}(v_i)\})$$

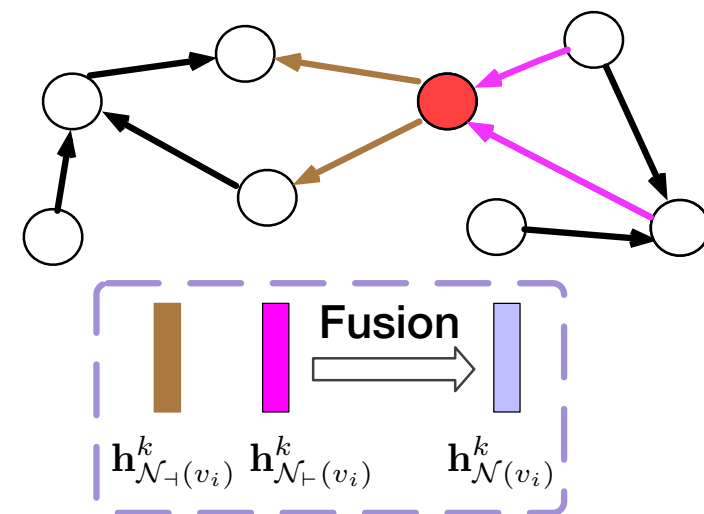
$$\mathbf{h}_{\mathcal{N}_{\rightarrow}(v_i)}^k = AGG(\mathbf{h}_i^{k-1}, \{\mathbf{h}_j^{k-1} : \forall v_j \in \mathcal{N}_{\rightarrow}(v_i)\})$$

Fuse backward/forward aggregation vectors at each hop

$$\mathbf{h}_{\mathcal{N}(v_i)}^k = Fuse(\mathbf{h}_{\mathcal{N}_{\leftarrow}(v_i)}^k, \mathbf{h}_{\mathcal{N}_{\rightarrow}(v_i)}^k)$$

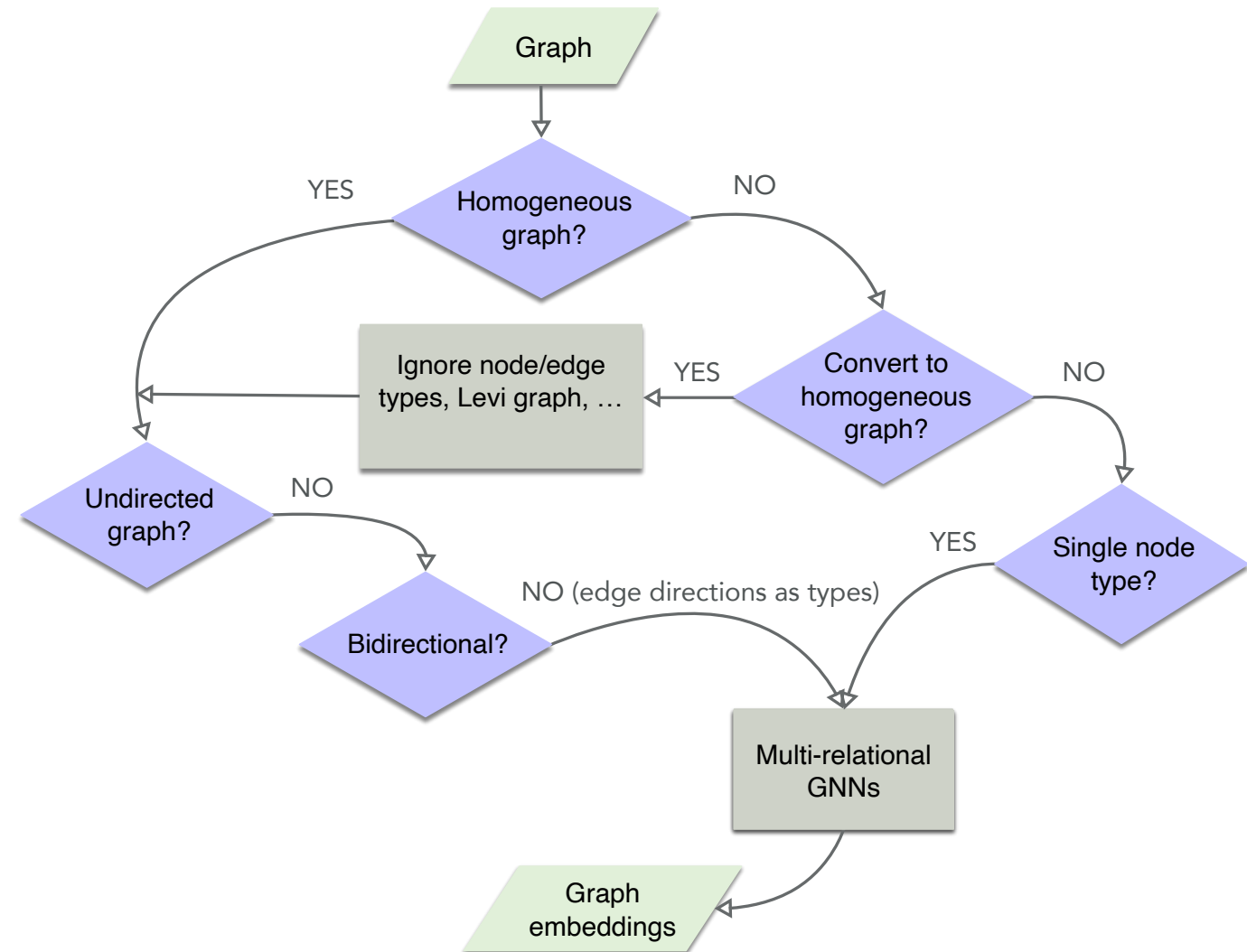
Update node embeddings with fused aggregation vectors at each hop

$$\mathbf{h}_i^k = \sigma(\mathbf{h}_i^{k-1}, \mathbf{h}_{\mathcal{N}(v_i)}^k)$$



Multi-relational GNNs for NLP

- When to use multi-relational GNNs?
- Multi-relational GNNs
 - a) Including relation-specific transformation parameters in GNN
 - b) Including edge embeddings in GNN
 - c) Multi-relational Graph Transformers



R-GNN: Overview

$$\mathbf{h}_i^k = \sigma(\mathbf{h}_i^{k-1}, \sum_{v_j \in \mathcal{N}(v_i)} AGG(\mathbf{h}_j^{k-1}, \theta^k))$$

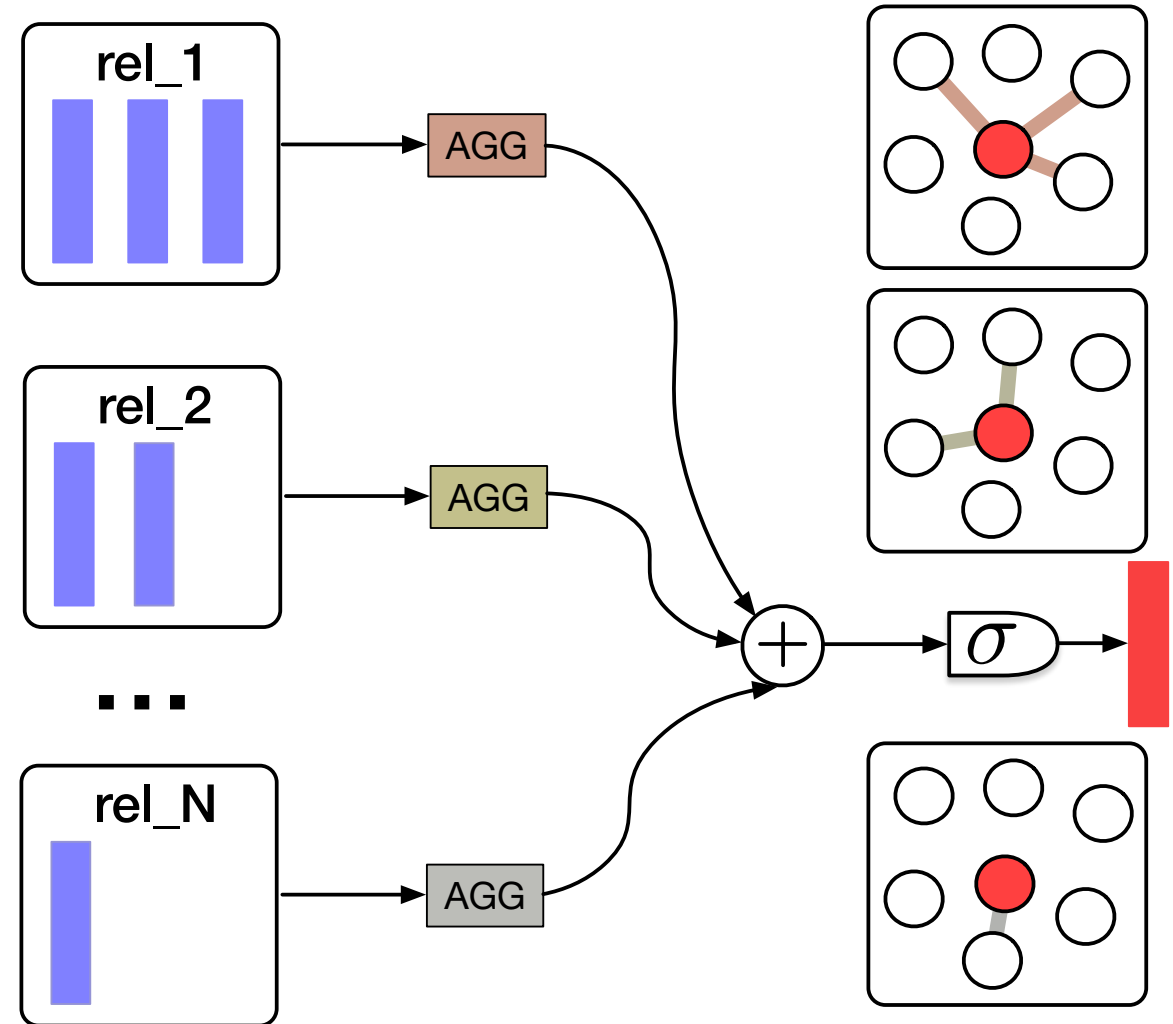
GNN

1) relation-specific transformation, e.g., node feature transformation, attention weight ...

R-GNN

$$\mathbf{h}_i^k = \sigma(\mathbf{h}_i^{k-1}, \sum_{r \in \mathcal{E}} \sum_{v_j \in \mathcal{N}_r(v_i)} AGG(\mathbf{h}_j^{k-1}, \theta_r^k))$$

2) aggregation per relation-specific subgraph



R-GNN Variant: R-GCN

- Relation-specific node feature transformation during neighborhood aggregation

$$\mathbf{h}_i^k = \sigma\left(\sum_{r \in \mathcal{E}} \sum_{v_j \in \mathcal{N}_r(v_i)} \frac{1}{c_{i,r}} \mathbf{W}_r^k \mathbf{h}_j^{k-1} + \mathbf{W}_0^k \mathbf{h}_i^{k-1}\right), \quad c_{i,r} = |\mathcal{N}_r(v_i)|$$

Relation-specific $d \times d$ learnable weight matrix

R-GNN: Avoiding Over-parameterization

Learning $d \times d$ transformation weight matrix for each relation is expensive!

$O(Rd^2)$ parameters every GNN layer where R is the num of relation types

How to avoid over-parameterization?


Option 1) basis decomposition - linear hypothesis

$$\theta_r^k = \sum_{b=1}^B a_{rb}^k \mathbf{V}_b^k, \quad \mathbf{V}_b^{(k)} \in \mathbb{R}^{d \times d} \quad O(RB + Bd^2) \text{ parameters}$$

 Basis matrices

Option 2) block-diagonal decomposition - sparsity hypothesis

$$\theta_r^k = \bigoplus_{b=1}^B \mathbf{Q}_{br}^k = \text{diag}(\mathbf{Q}_{1r}^k, \mathbf{Q}_{2r}^k, \dots, \mathbf{Q}_{Br}^k), \quad \mathbf{Q}_{br}^{(k)} \in \mathbb{R}^{d/B \times d/B} \quad O(Rd^2/B) \text{ parameters}$$

 Submatrices

Including Edge Embeddings in GNNs

Variant 1) Include edge embeddings in message passing

$$\mathbf{h}_i^k = \sigma\left(\mathbf{h}_i^{k-1}, \sum_{v_j \in \mathcal{N}(v_i)} \text{AGG}(\mathbf{h}_j^{k-1}, \mathbf{e}_{i,j}, \theta^k)\right)$$

Edge embeddings

Variant 2) Update edge embedding in message passing

$$\mathbf{h}_i^k = \sigma\left(\mathbf{h}_i^{k-1}, \sum_{v_j \in \mathcal{N}(v_i)} \text{AGG}(\mathbf{h}_j^{k-1}, \mathbf{e}_{i,j}^{k-1}, \theta^k)\right), \mathbf{e}_{i,j}^k = f(\mathbf{e}_{i,j}^{k-1}, \theta_{rel}^k)$$

Update edge embeddings

Multi-relational Graph Transformers

- Transformers as a special class of GNNs which
 - jointly learn and encode a **fully-connected graph** via self-attention
 - share many similarities with GAT
 - fail to effectively handle **arbitrary graph-structured data**
 - e.g., position embeddings for sequential data, removing position embeddings for set
- Multi-relational graph transformers
 - employed with **structure-aware self-attention**
 - respect **various relation types**

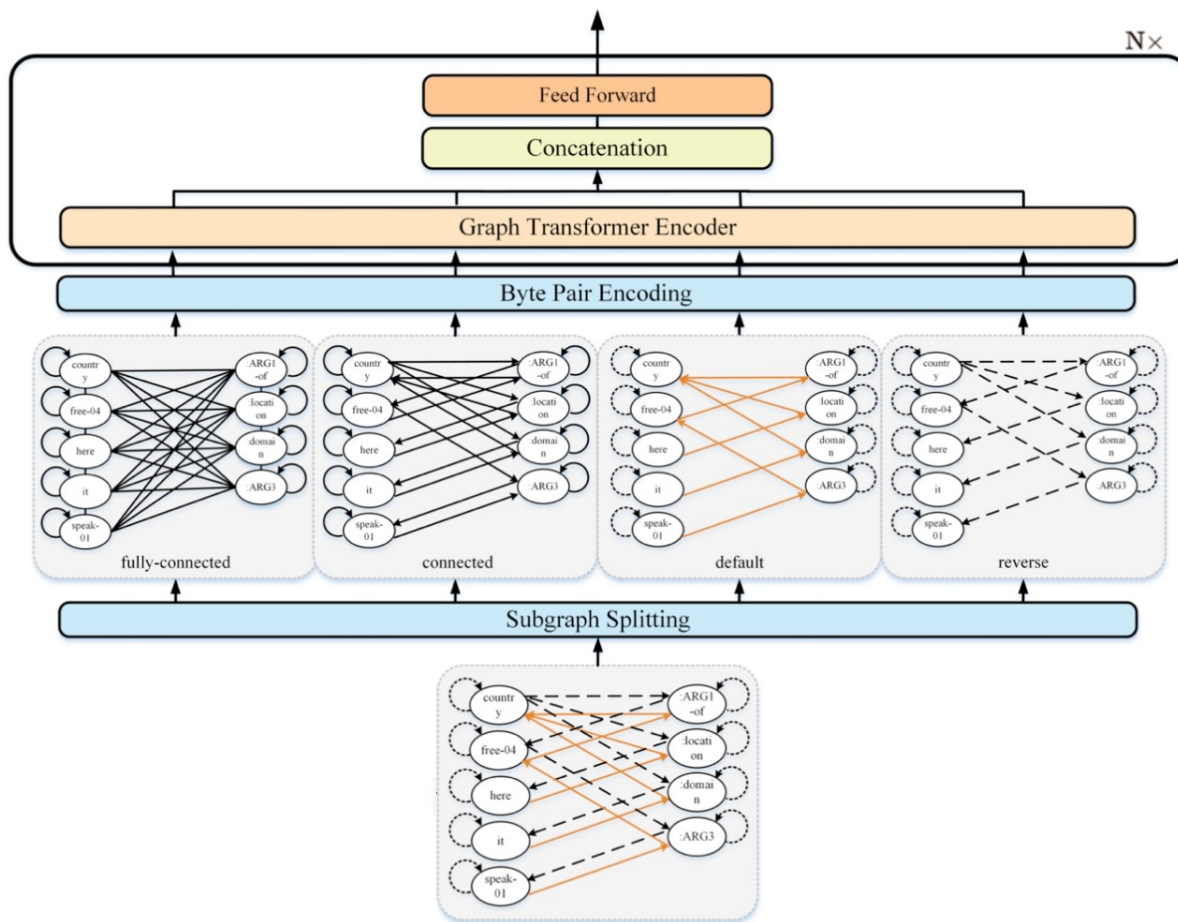
R-GAT based Graph Transformers

GAT-like masked attention

$$\mathbf{z}_i^{r,k} = \sum_{v_j \in \mathcal{N}_r(v_i)} \alpha_{i,j}^k \mathbf{W}_V^k \mathbf{h}_j^{k-1}, r \in \mathcal{E}$$

$$\mathbf{h}_i^k = \text{FFN}^k (\mathbf{W}_O^k [\mathbf{z}_i^{R_1,k}, \dots, \mathbf{z}_i^{R_m,k}])$$

Relation-specific learnable weight matrix



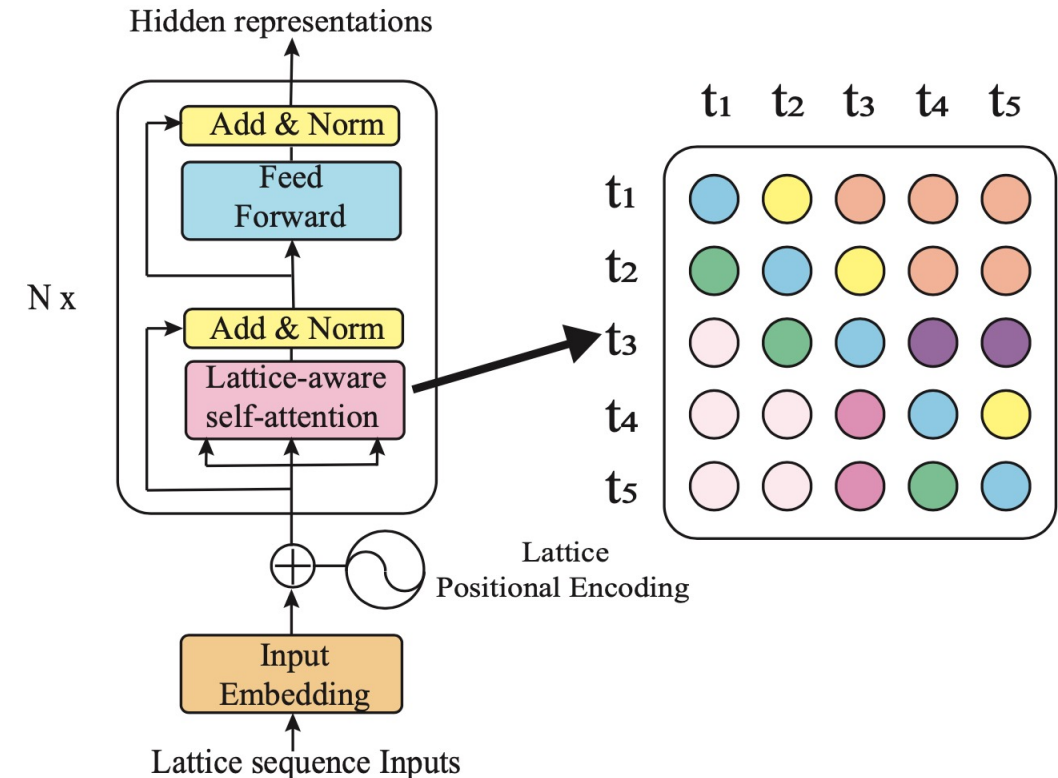
Structure-aware Self-attention based Graph Transformers

$$\mathbf{h}_i^k = \sum_j \alpha_{i,j}^k (\mathbf{W}_V^k \mathbf{h}_j^{k-1} + \mathbf{W}_F^k \mathbf{e}_{i,j})$$

$$\alpha_{i,j}^k = \text{softmax}(u_{i,j}^k)$$

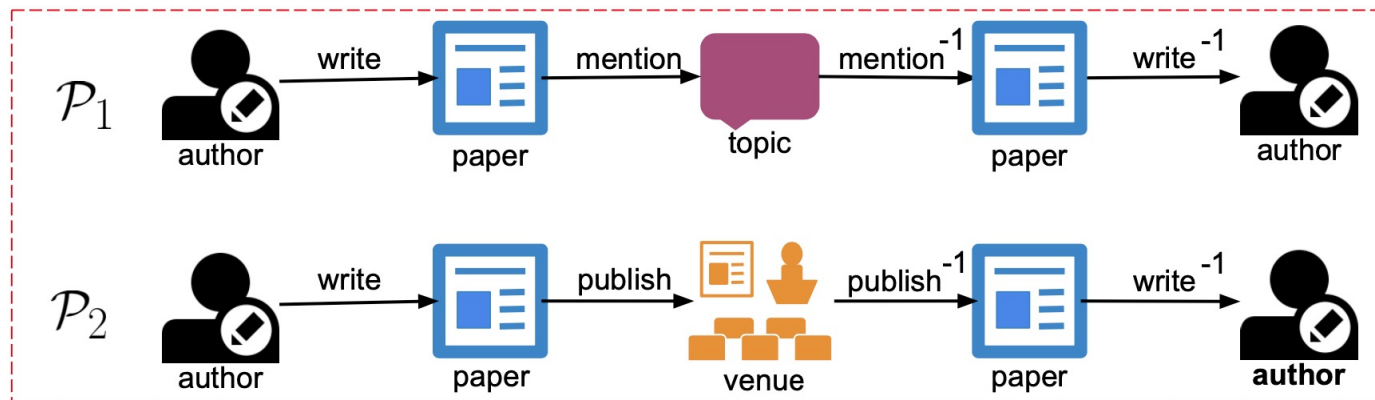
$$u_{i,j}^k = \frac{(\mathbf{W}_Q^k \mathbf{h}_i^{k-1})^T (\mathbf{W}_K^k \mathbf{h}_j^{k-1} + \mathbf{W}_R^k \mathbf{e}_{i,j})}{\sqrt{d}}$$

Edge embeddings

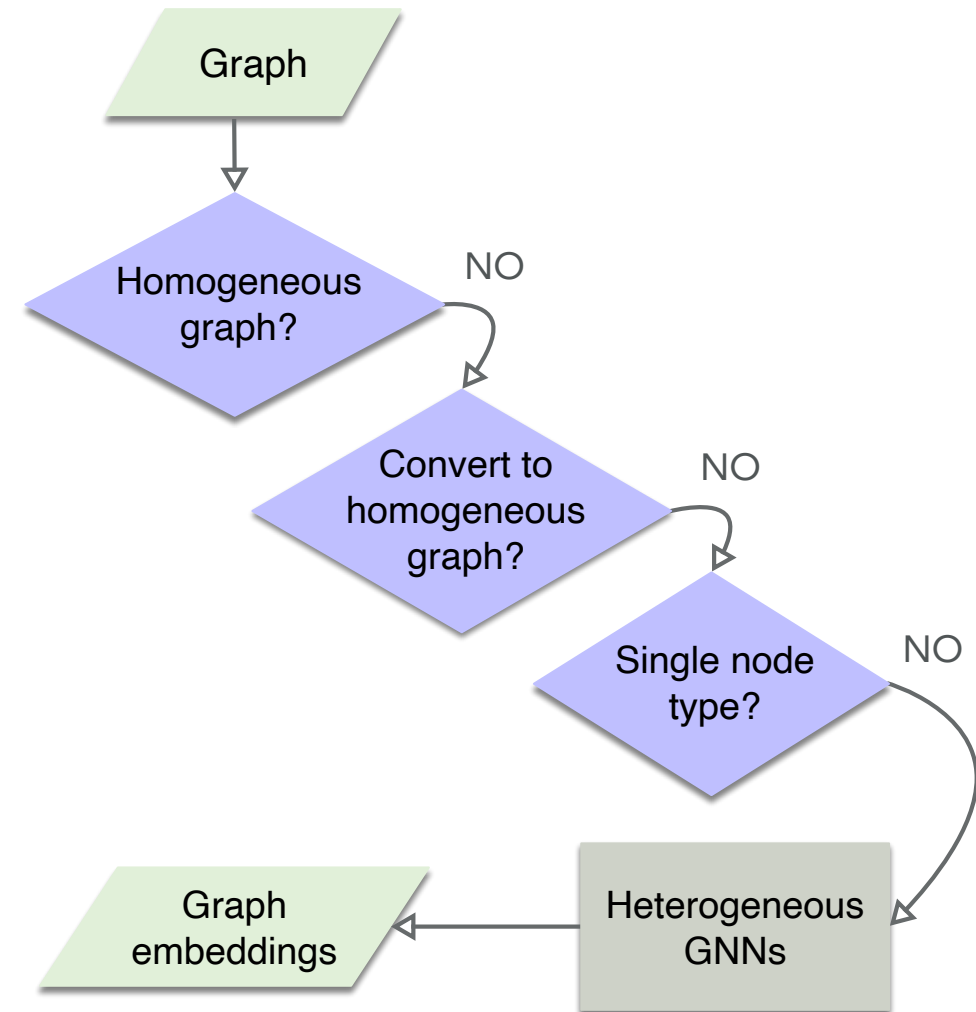


Heterogeneous GNNs

- When to use Heterogeneous GNNs?
- Heterogeneous GNNs
 - a) Meta-path based Heterogeneous GNNs



Meta paths among author nodes



Meta-path based Heterogeneous GNN example: HAN

Step 1) type-specific node feature transformation

$$\mathbf{h}_i = \mathbf{W}_{\tau(v_i)} \mathbf{v}_i$$

← Node-type specific learnable weight matrix

Step 2) node-level aggregation along each meta path

$$\mathbf{z}_{i, \Phi_k} = \sigma \left(\sum_{v_j \in \mathcal{N}_{\Phi_k}(v_i)} \alpha_{i,j}^{\Phi_k} \mathbf{h}_j \right)$$

← Aggregate over neighboring nodes in k-length meta path

Step 3) meta-path level aggregation

$$\mathbf{z}_i = \sum_{k=1}^p \beta_{\Phi_k} \mathbf{z}_{i, \Phi_k}$$

← Attention weights over meta paths

Graph Encoder-Decoder Models for NLP

Seq2Seq: Applications and Challenges

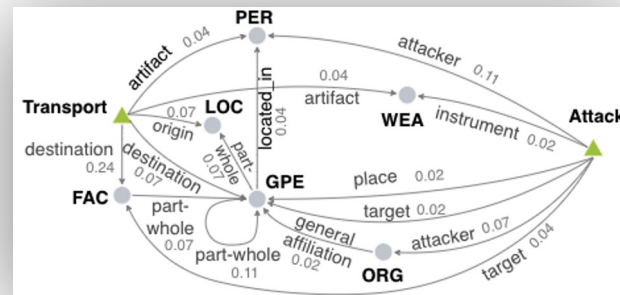
- Applications

- Machine translation
- Natural language generation
- Logic form translation
- Information extraction

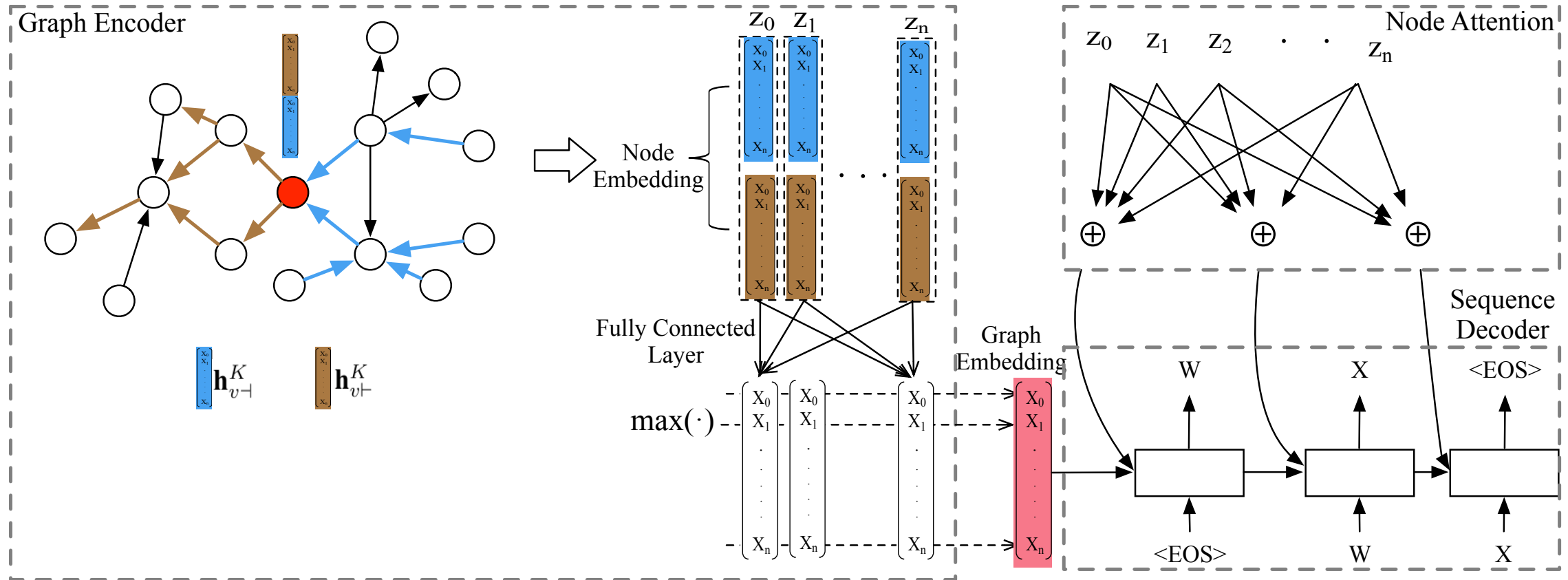


- Challenges

- Only applied to problems whose inputs are represented as sequences
- Cannot handle more complex structure such as graphs
- Converting graph inputs into sequences inputs lose information
- Augmenting original sequence inputs with additional structural information enhances word sequence feature



Graph-to-Sequence Model



[1] Kun Xu*, Lingfei Wu*, Zhiguo Wang, Yansong Feng, Michael Witbrock, and Vadim Sheinin (Equally Contributed), "Graph2Seq: Graph to Sequence Learning with Attention-based Neural Networks", arXiv 2018.

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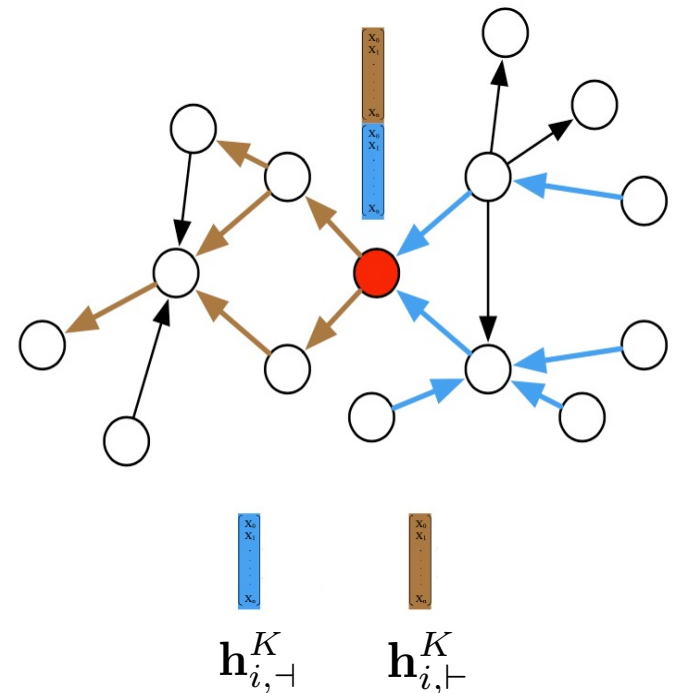
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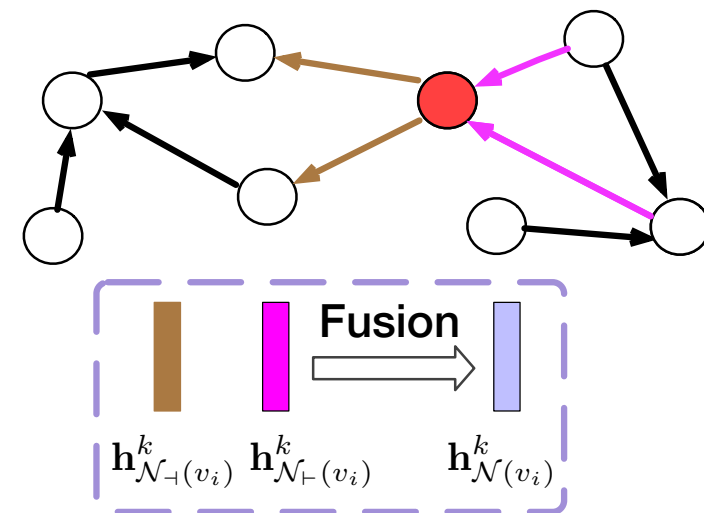
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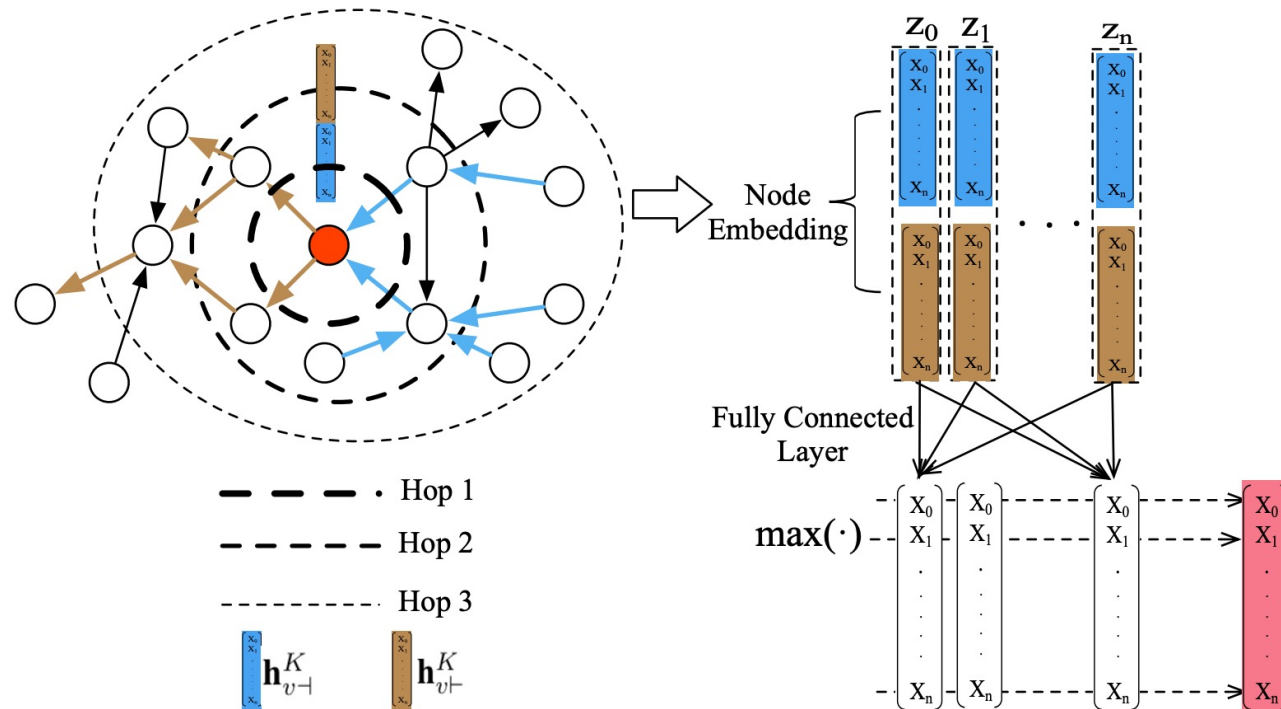
$$\mathbf{h}_i^k = \sigma(\mathbf{h}_i^{k-1}, \mathbf{h}_{\mathcal{N}(v_i)}^k)$$



Graph Encoding

- Graph embedding

- Pooling based graph embedding (*max, min and average pooling*)
- Node based graph embedding
 - ▣ Add one super node which is connected to all other nodes in the graph
 - ▣ The embedding of this super node is treated as graph embedding



Attention Based Sequence Decoding

$$c_i = \sum_{j=1}^{\mathcal{V}} \alpha_{ij} h_j, \text{ where } \alpha_{ij} = \frac{\exp(e_{ij})}{\sum_{k=1}^{\mathcal{V}} \exp(e_{ik})}, e_{ij} = a(s_{i-1}, h_j)$$

context vector

node representation

Attention Based Sequence Decoding

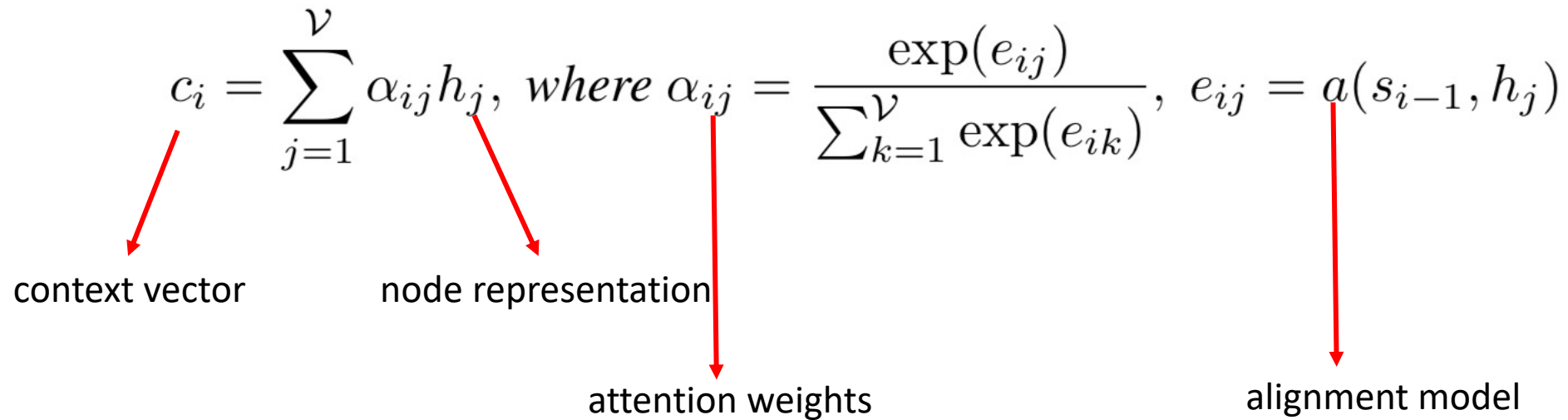
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attention weights

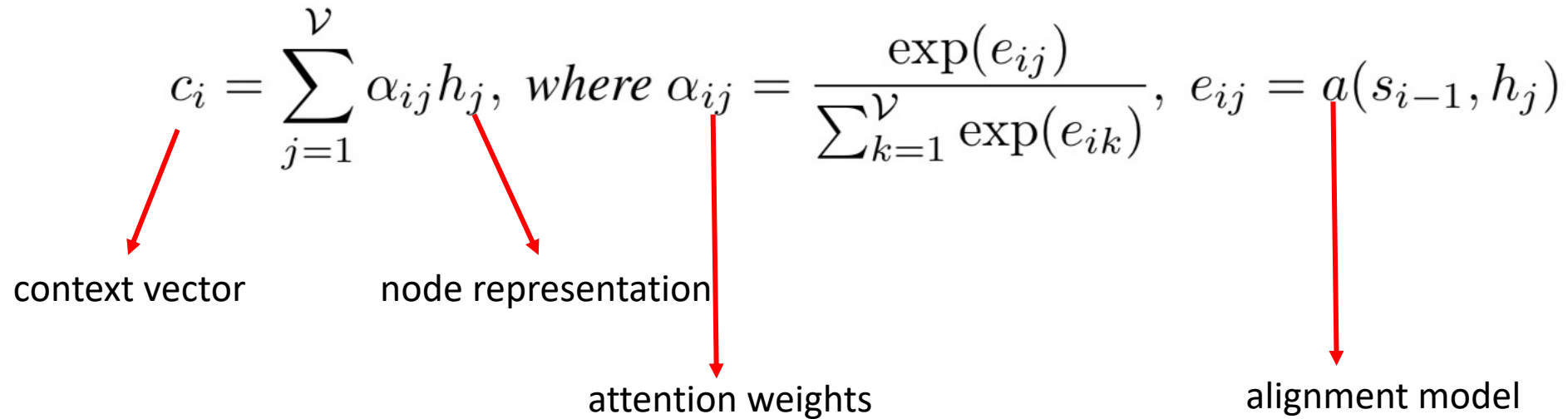
alignment model



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context vector node representation attention weights alignment model



- Objective Function

$$\theta^* = \arg \max_{\theta} \sum_{n=1}^N \sum_{t=1}^{T_n} \log p(y_t^n | y_{<t}^n, x^n)$$

Text Reasoning and Shortest Path

garden (A) bathroom (B) bedroom (C)
hallway (D) office (E) kitchen (F)

- 1 The **garden** is west of the **bathroom**.
- 2 The **bedroom** is north of the **hallway**.
- 3 The **office** is south of the **hallway**.
- 4 The **bathroom** is north of the **bedroom**.
- 5 The **kitchen** is east of the **bedroom**.

Transform

A west B
B north D
E south D
B north C
F east C

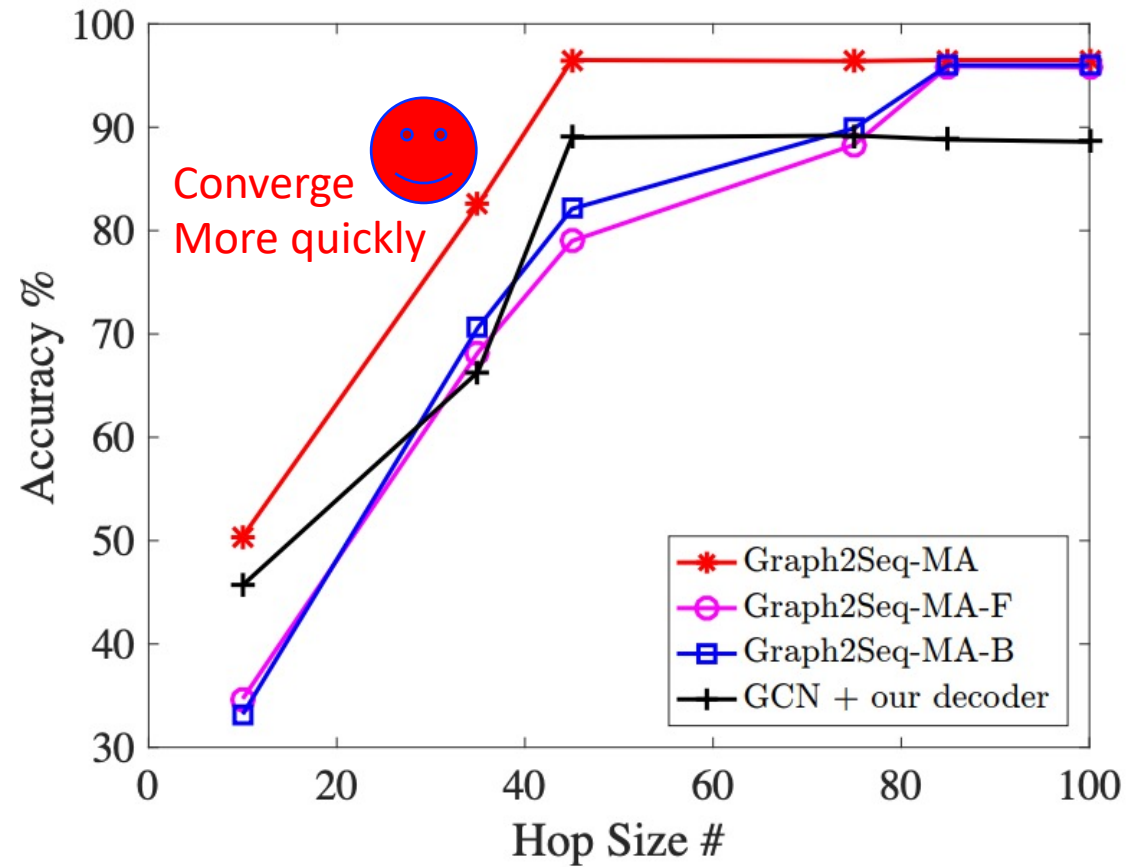
Q: How do you go from the **bathroom** to the **hallway**

Transform

Q:path(B, D)

	bAbI T19	SP-S	SP-L
LSTM	25.2%	8.1%	2.2%
GGs-NN	98.1%	100.0%	95.2%
GCN	97.4%	100.0%	96.5%
Graph2Seq	99.9%	100.0%	99.3%

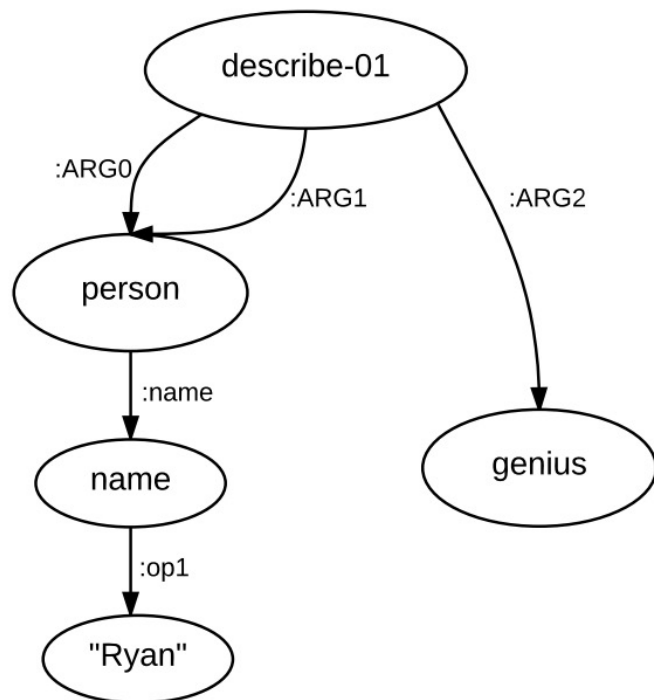
Effect of Bidirectional Node Embedding



**Bidirectional Node Embedding
VS Unidirectional Node Embedding**

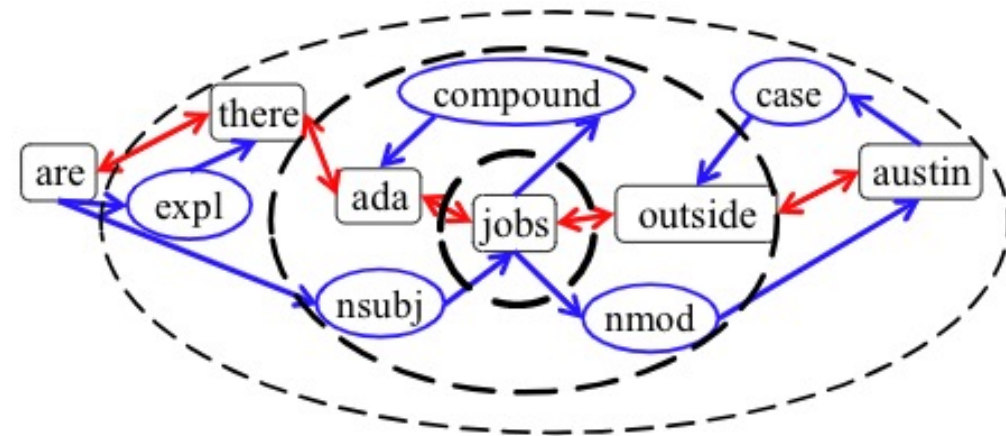
When Shall We Use Graph2Seq?

- Case I: the inputs are naturally or best represented in graph



“Ryan’s description of himself: a genius.”

- Case II: Hybrid Graph with sequence and its hidden structural information



Augmenting “are there ada jobs outside Austin” with its dependency parsing tree results

Learning Structured Input-Output Translation

- To bridge the semantic gap between the human-readable words and machine-understandable logics.
- Semantic parsing is important for question answering, text understanding
- Automatically solving of MWP is a growing interest.

SP	Text Input: what jobs are there for web developer who know 'c++' ?
	Structured output: <code>answer(A , (job (A) , title (A , W) , const (W , 'Web Developer') , language (A , C) , const (C , 'c++')))</code>
MWP	Text input: 0.5 of the cows are grazing grass . 0.25 of the cows are sleeping and 9 cows are drinking water from the pond . find the total number of cows .
	Structured output: $((0.5 * x) + (0.25 * x)) + 9.0 = x$

Graph and Tree Constructions

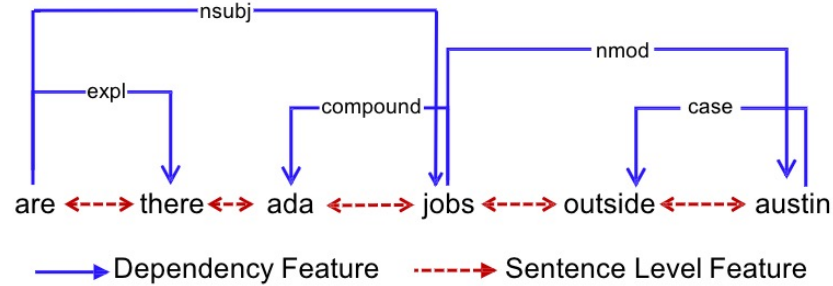


Figure 1: Dependency tree augmented text graph

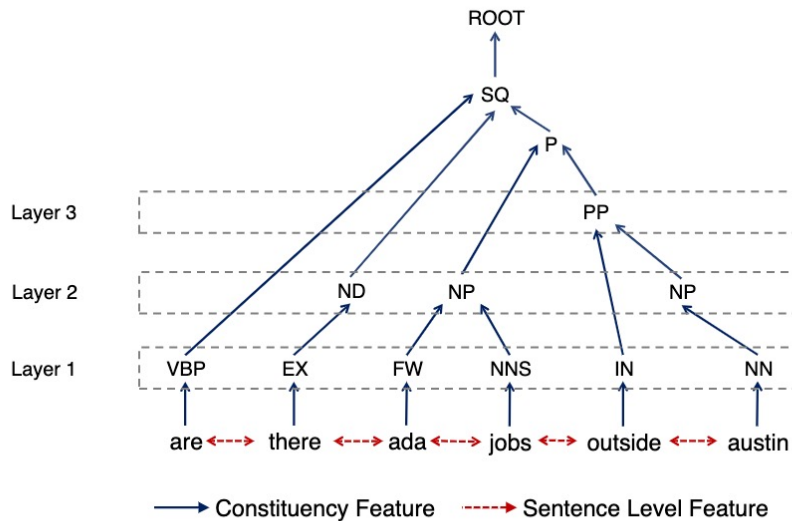


Figure 2: Constituency tree augmented text graph

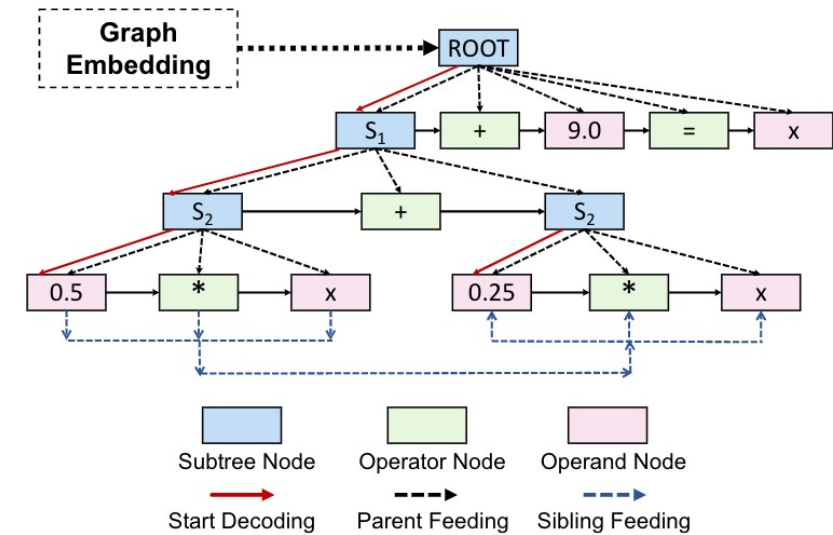
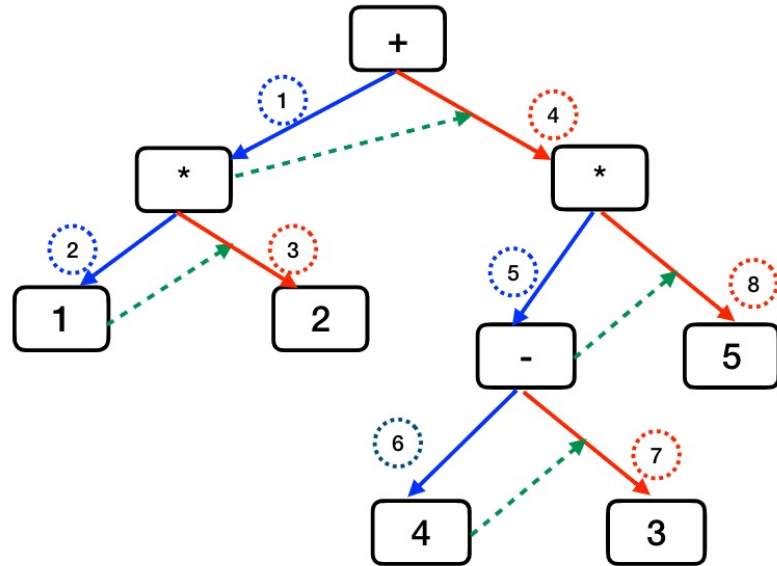





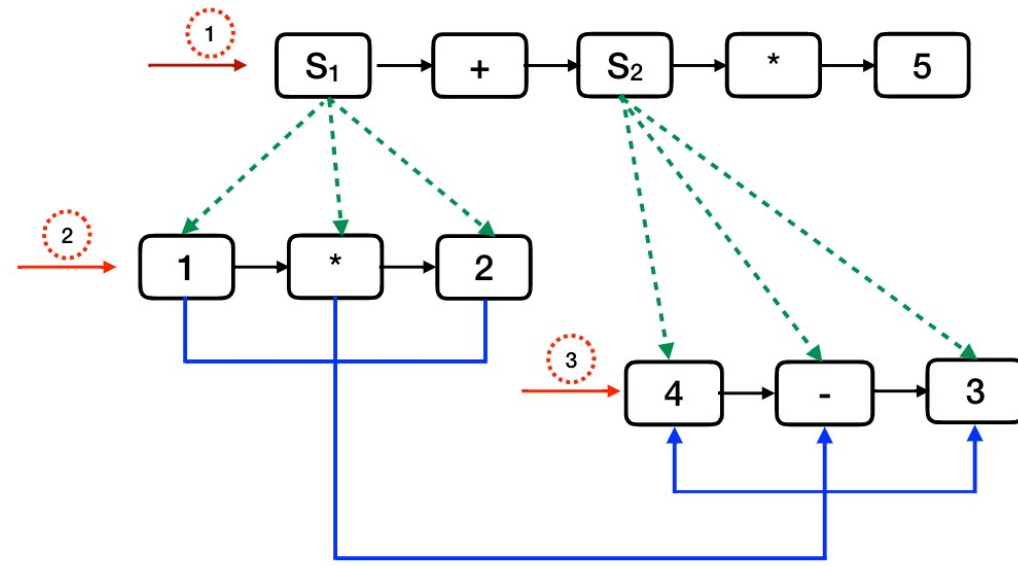
Figure 3: A sample tree output in our decoding process from expression $((0.5 * x) + (0.25 * x)) + 9.0 = x$





Tree Decoding



-  Right node generation
-  Left node generation
-  Left sub-tree embedding

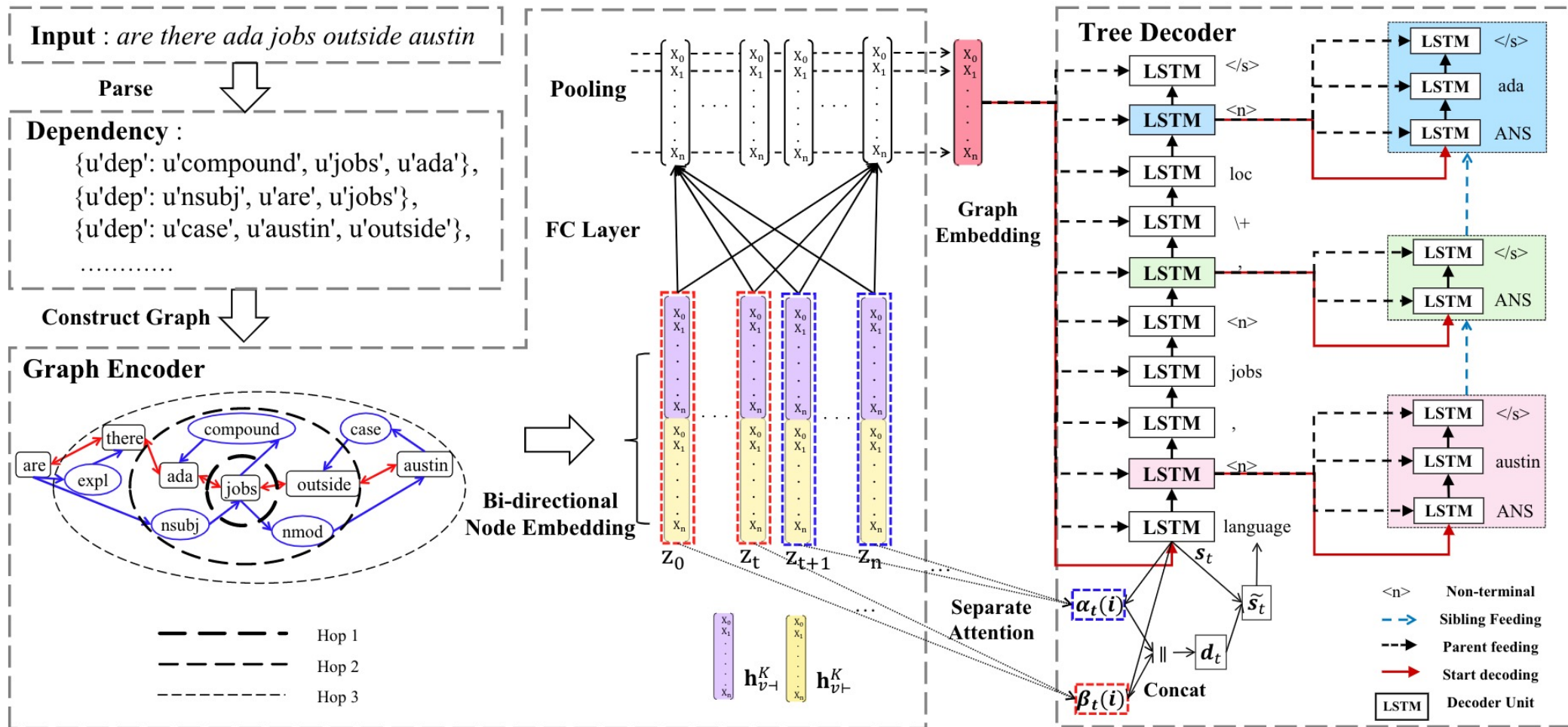
DFS-based tree decoder



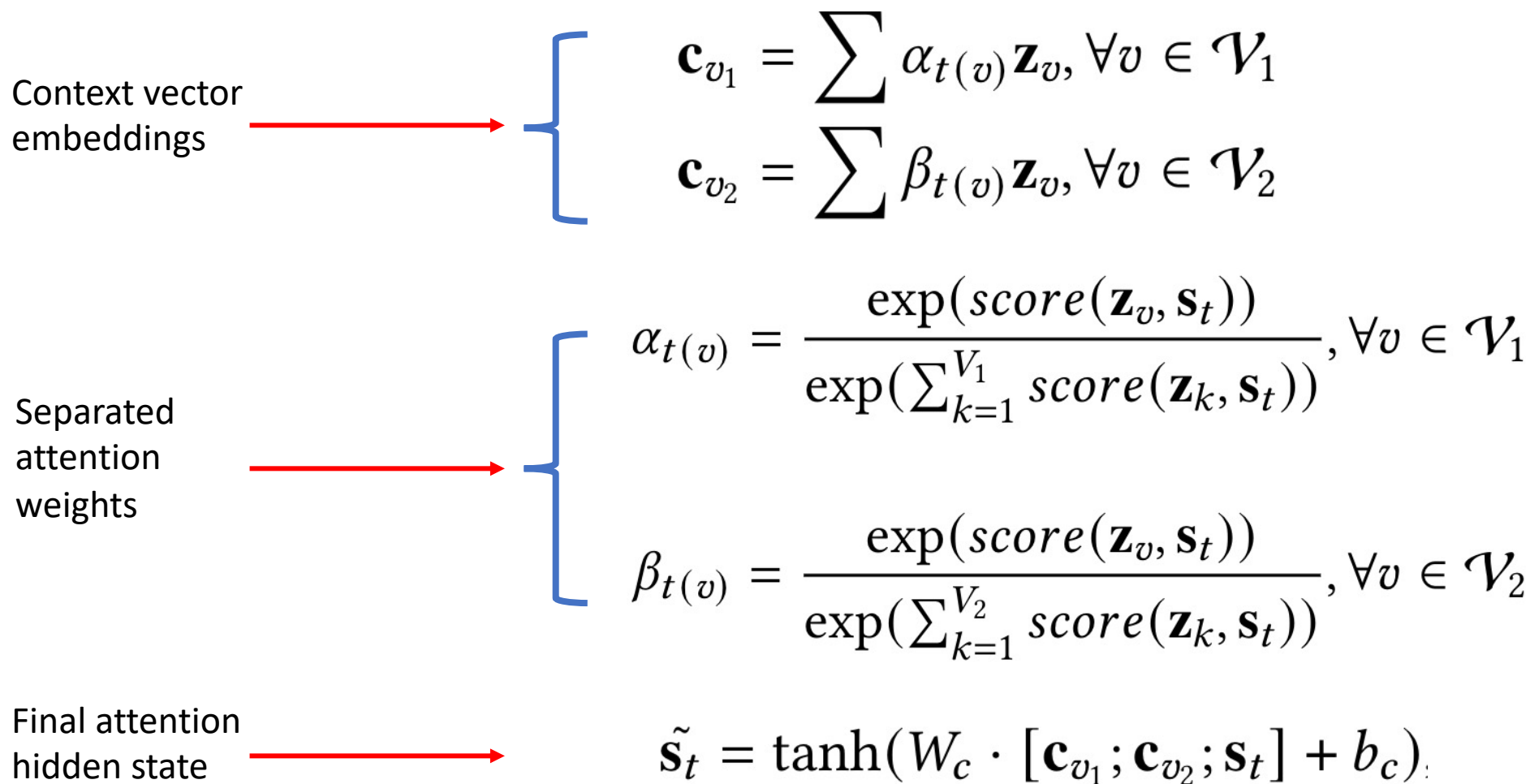
-  Begin a new branch decoding
-  Sequential decoding
-  Sibling feeding
-  Parent feeding

BFS-based tree decoder

Graph-to-Tree Model



Separated Attention Based Tree Decoding



Math Word Problem

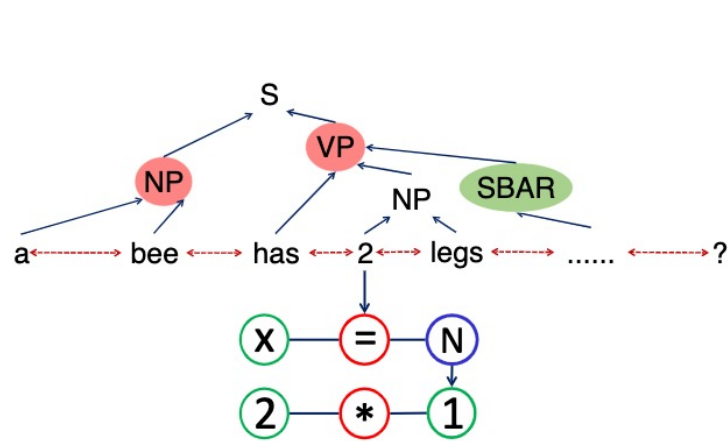
Methods		MAWPS
Oracle		84.8
Retrieval	Jaccard	45.6
	Cosine	38.8
Classification	BiLSTM	62.8
	Self-attention	60.4
Seq2seq	LSTM	25.6
	CNN	44.0
Seq2Tree		65.2
Graph2Seq		70.4
MathDQN		60.25
T-RNN	Full model	66.8
	W/o equation normalization	63.9
	W/o self-attention	66.3
Group-Att		76.1
Graph2Tree	with constituency graph	78.8
	with dependency graph	76.8

Table 5: Solution accuracy comparison on *MAWPS*

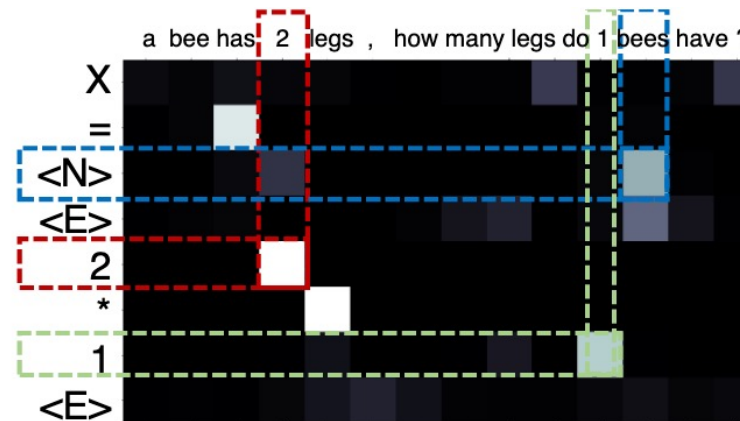
Methods		MATHQA
Seq2Prog		51.9
Seq2Prog+Cat		54.2
TP-N2F		55.95
Seq2seq		58.36
Seq2Tree		64.15
Graph2Seq		65.36
Graph2Tree	with constituency graph	69.65
	with dependency graph	65.66

Table 6: Solution accuracy comparison on *MATHQA*

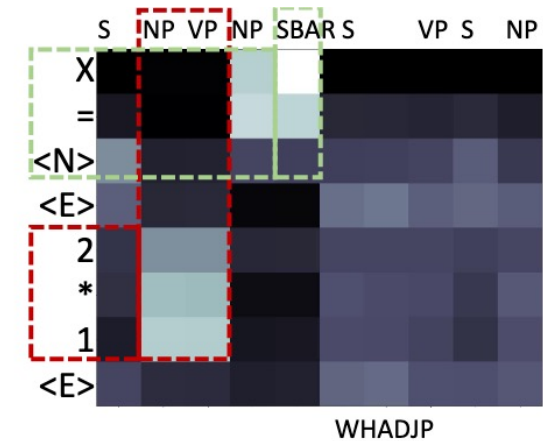
Visualization of Separated Attentions



(a) A graph-to-tree translation example



(b) Attention for word nodes



(c) Attention for structure nodes

Figure 5: Effect visualization of our separated attentions on both word and structure nodes in a graph.

Half-hour Break

Want to prepare for our demo session?

- 1) `git clone` https://github.com/graph4ai/graph4nlp_demo
- 2) follow Get Started instructions in README

References:

- Graph4NLP demo link: https://github.com/graph4ai/graph4nlp_demo
- Graph4NLP library link: <https://github.com/graph4ai/graph4nlp>
- DLG4NLP literature link: https://github.com/graph4ai/graph4nlp_literature

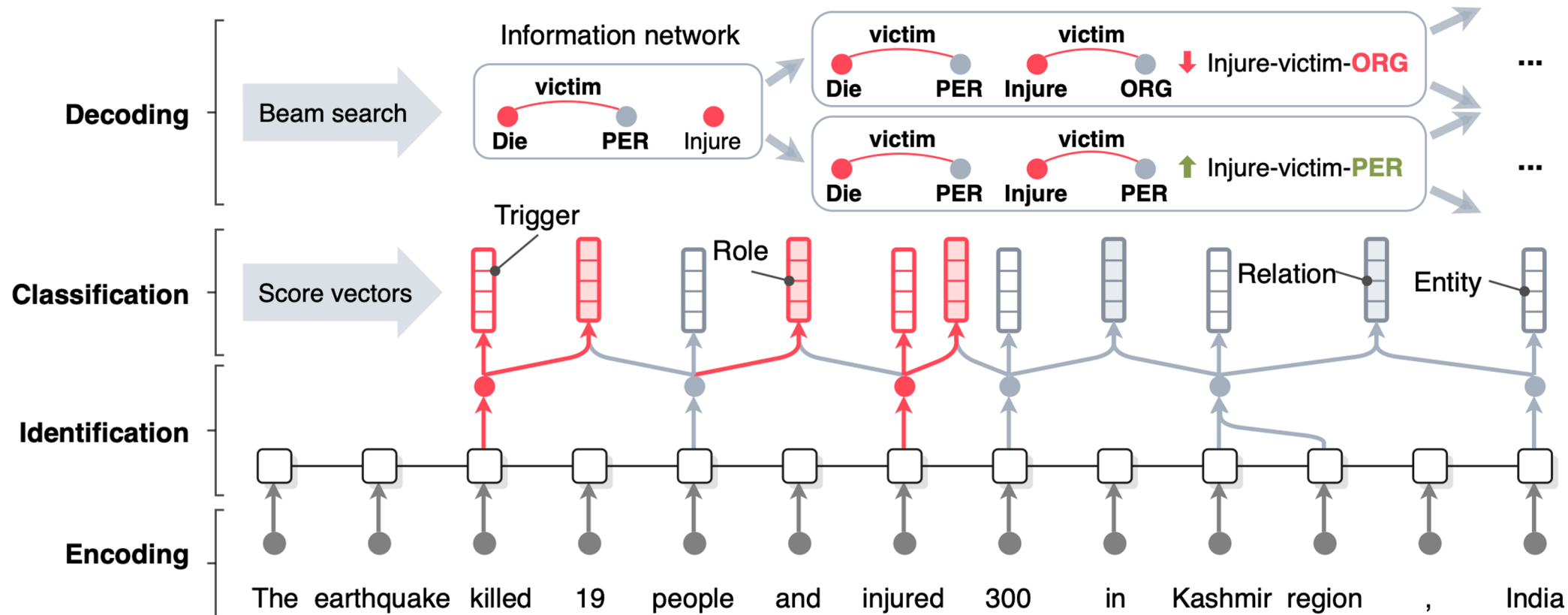
DLG4NLP Applications

Information Extraction

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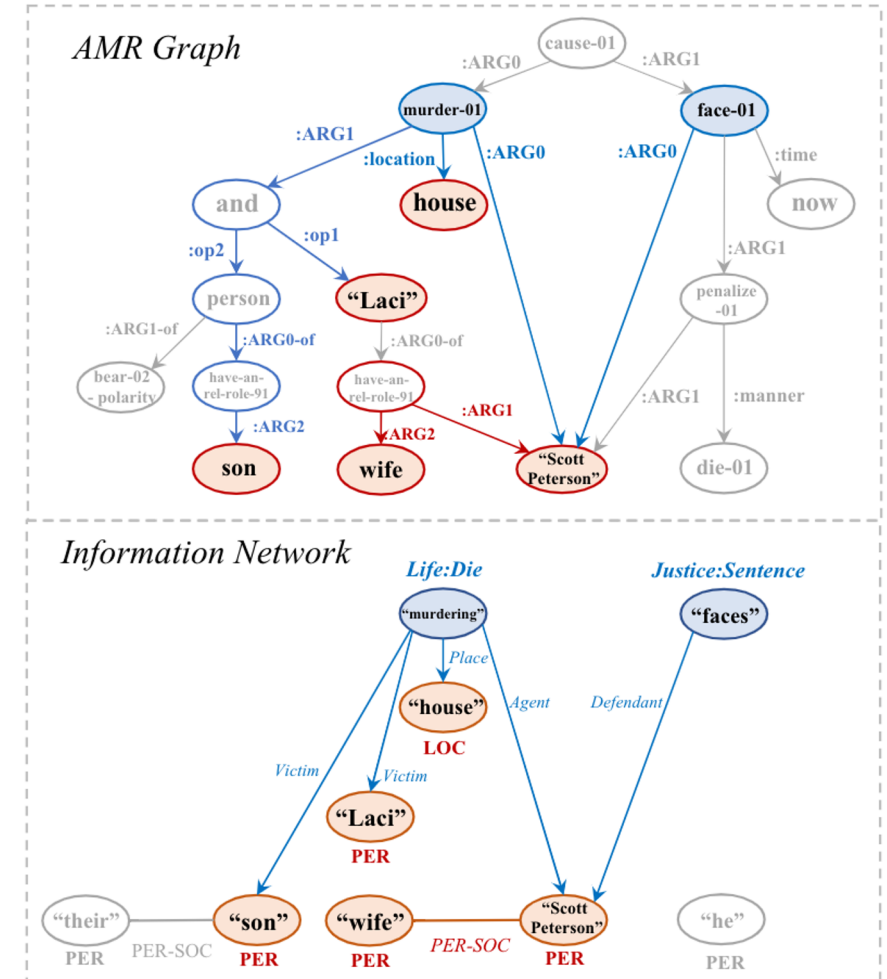
Information Extraction: a Sequence-to-Graph Task



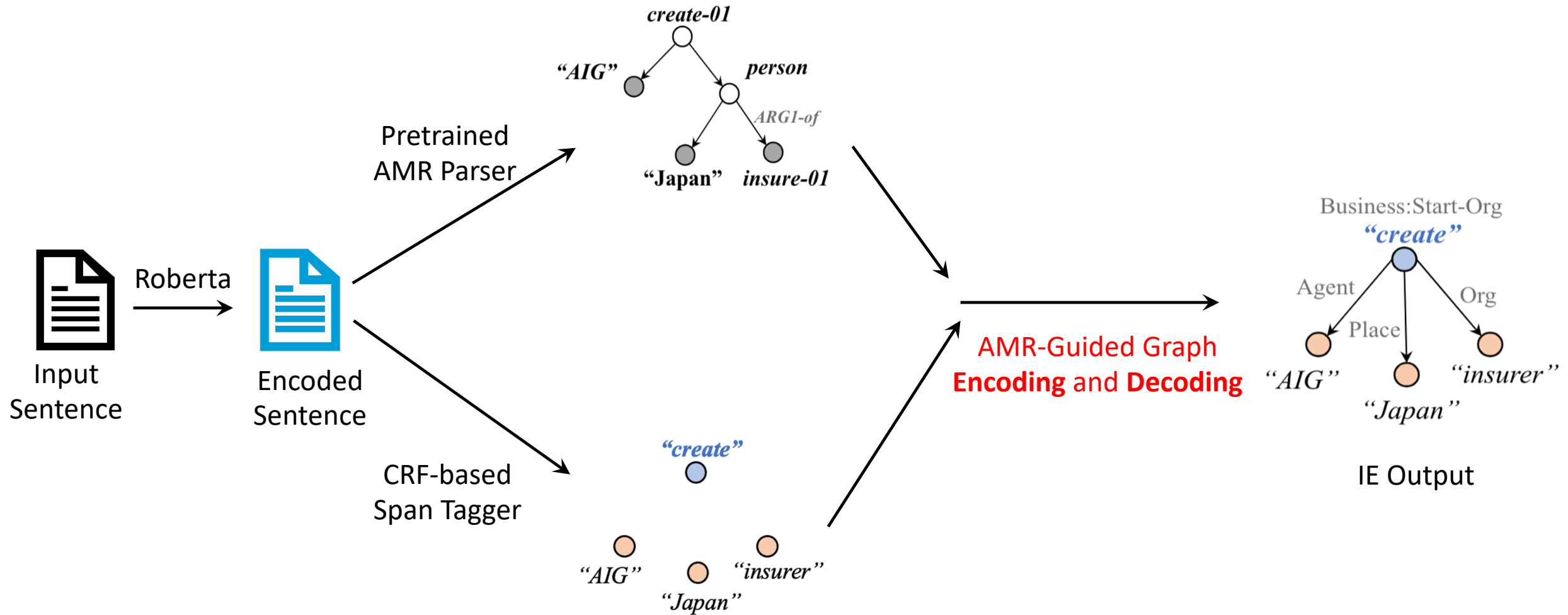
- OneIE [Lin et al., ACL2020] framework extracts the information graph from a given sentence in four steps: encoding, identification, classification, and decoding

Moving from Seq-to-Graph to Graph-to-Graph

- [Zhang and Ji, NAACL2021]
- Abstract Meaning Representation (AMR):
 - A kind of **rich semantic parsing**
 - Converts input sentence into a **directed** and **acyclic** graph structure with **fine-grained** node and edge type labels
- AMR parsing shares inherent similarities with information network (IE output)
 - Similar node and edge semantics
 - Similar graph topology
- Semantic graphs can better capture **non-local context** in a sentence
- **Exploit the similarity between AMR and IE to help on joint information extraction**



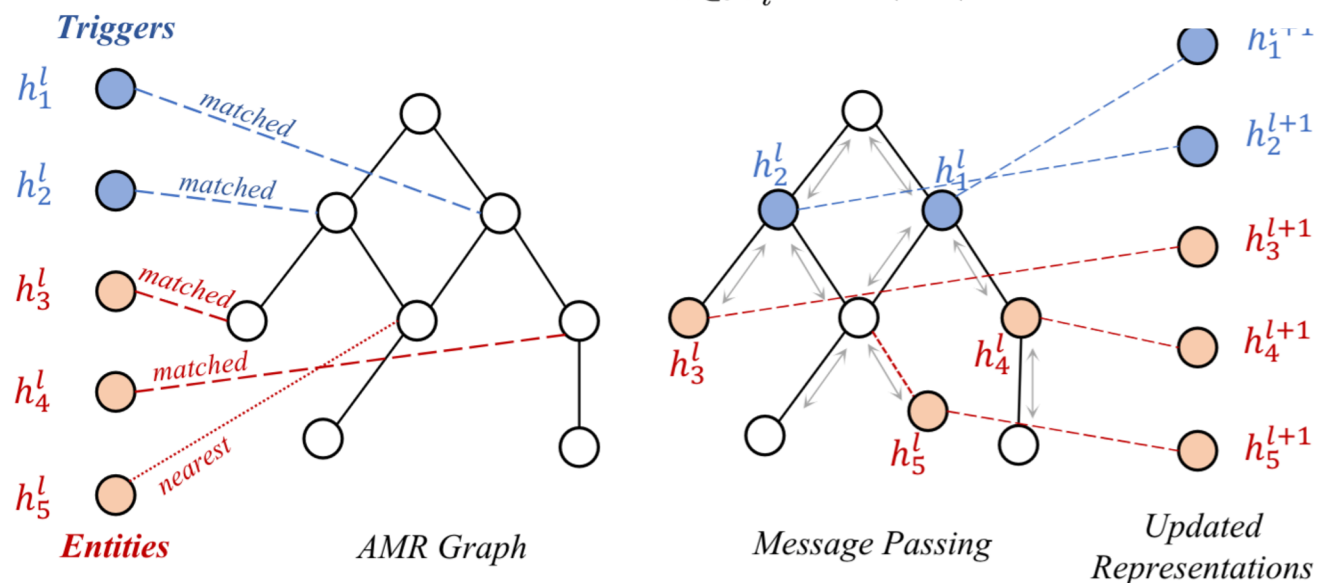
AMR-IE: An AMR-guided encoding and decoding framework for IE



AMR Guided Graph Encoding: Using an Edge-Conditioned GAT

- Map each candidate entity and event to AMR nodes.
- Update entity and event representations using an edge-conditioned GAT to incorporate information from AMR neighbors.

$$\alpha_{i,j}^l = \frac{\exp(\sigma(f^l[\mathbf{W}h_i^l : \mathbf{W}_e e_{i,j} : \mathbf{W}h_j^l]))}{\sum_{k \in \mathcal{N}_i} \exp(\sigma(f^l[\mathbf{W}h_i^l : \mathbf{W}_e e_{i,k} : \mathbf{W}h_k^l]))}$$



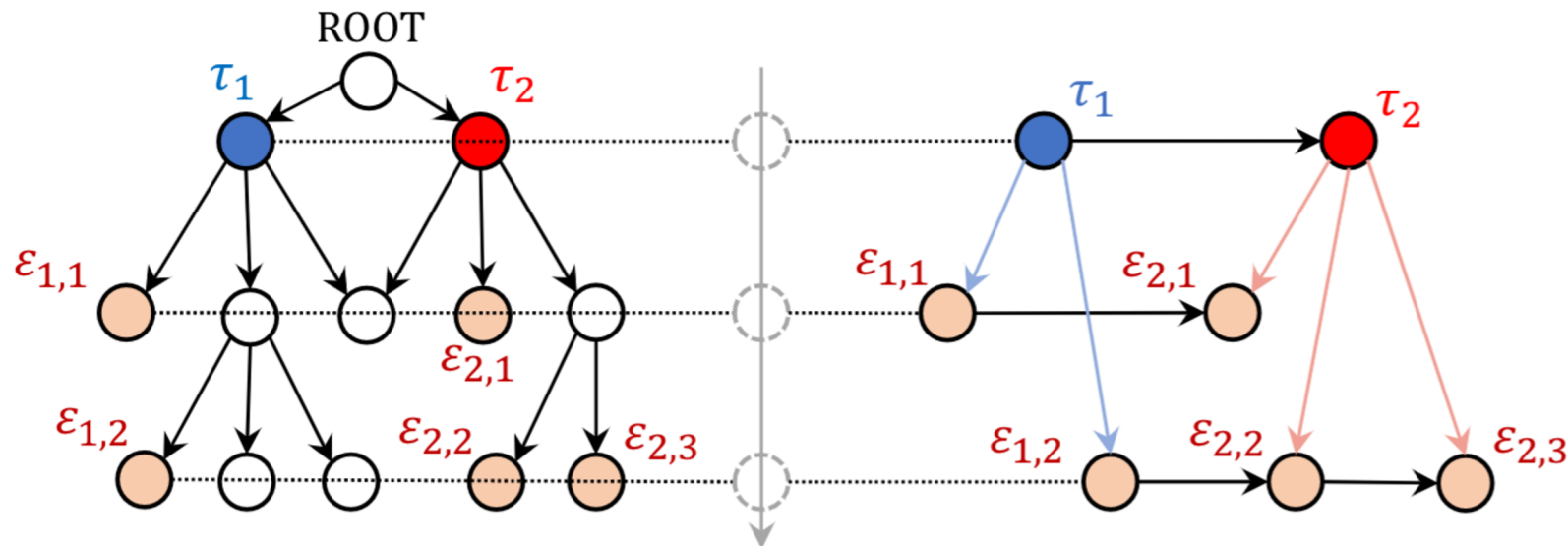
$$h^* = \sum_{i \in \mathcal{N}_i} \alpha_{i,j}^l h_i^l$$

$$h^{l+1} = h^l + \gamma \cdot \mathbf{W}^* h^*$$

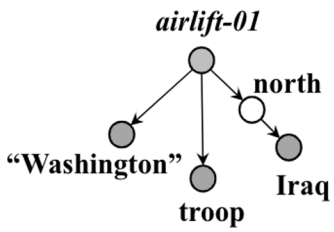
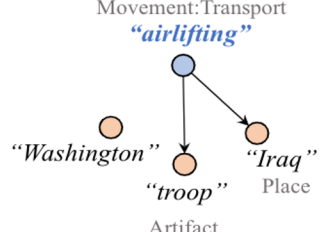
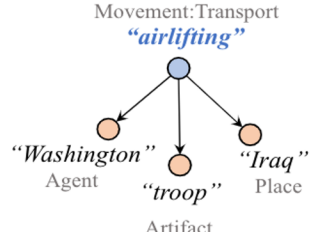
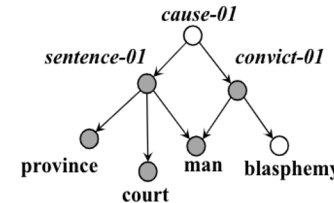
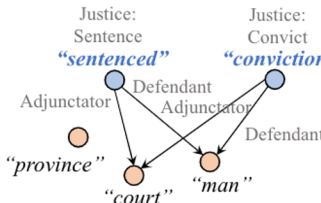
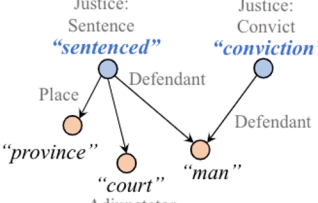
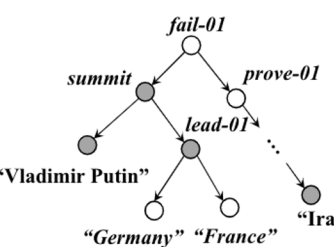
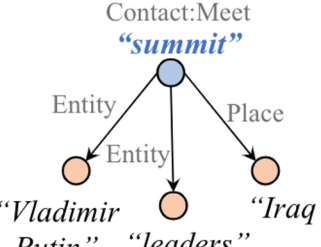
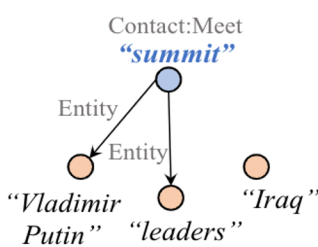
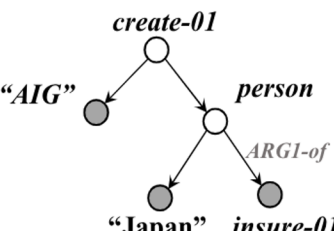
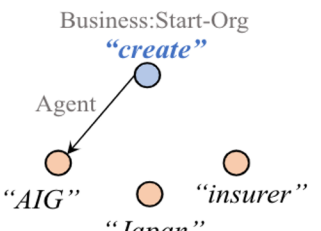
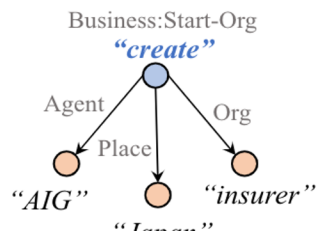
AMR Guided Graph Decoding: Ordered decoding guided by AMR

- Beam search based decoding as in *OneIE* (Lin et al. 2020).
- The decoding order of candidate nodes are determined by the hierarchy in AMR in a **top-to-down manner**.
- For example, the correct ordered decoding in the following graph is:

$\tau_1, \tau_2, \varepsilon_{1,1}, \varepsilon_{2,1}, \varepsilon_{1,2}, \varepsilon_{2,2}, \varepsilon_{2,3}$



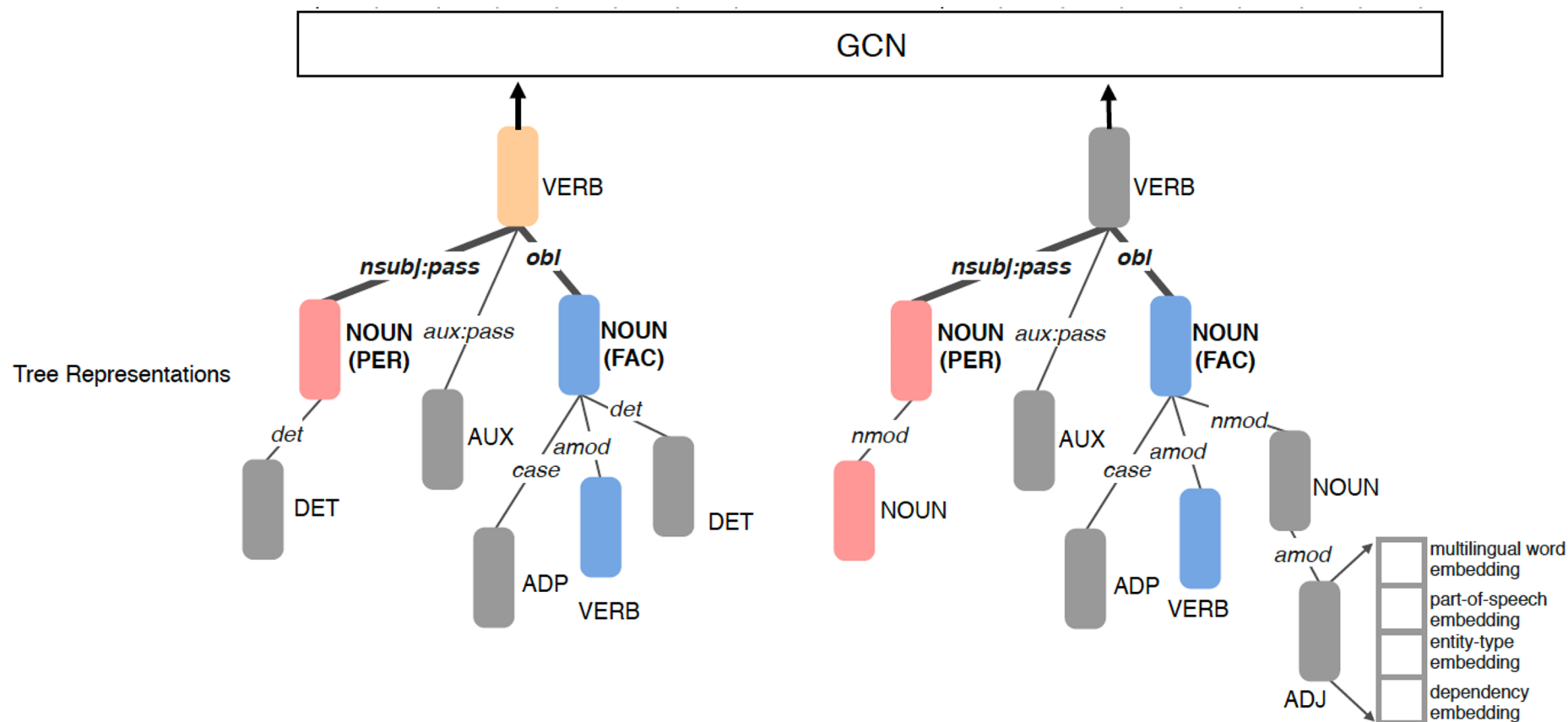
Examples on how AMR graphs help

Sentence	AMR Parsing	OneIE outputs	AMR-IE outputs
If the resolution is not passed, Washington would likely want to use the airspace for strikes against Iraq and for airlifting troops to northern Iraq .			
A Pakistani court in central Punjab province has sentenced a Christian man to life imprisonment for a blasphemy conviction , police said Sunday.			
Russian President Vladimir Putin 's summit with the leaders of Germany and France may have been a failure that proves there can be no long-term "peace camp" alliance following the end of war in Iraq .			
Major US insurance group AIG is in the final stage of talks to take over General Electric's Japanese life insurance arm in a deal to create Japan 's sixth largest life insurer , reports said Wednesday.			

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Cross-lingual Structure Transfer



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(**teams of doctors** were seen in packed **emergency rooms**)

Graph Convolutional Networks (GCN) Encoder

- Extend the monolingual design (Zhang et al., 2018) to cross-lingual
- Convert a sentence with N tokens into N*N adjacency matrix A
- Node: token, each edge is a directed dependency edge
- Initialization of each node's representation

$$\mathbf{h}_i^{(0)} = \mathbf{x}_i^w \oplus \mathbf{x}_i^p \oplus \mathbf{x}_i^d \oplus \mathbf{x}_i^e$$

Word embedding POS tag Dependency relation Entity type

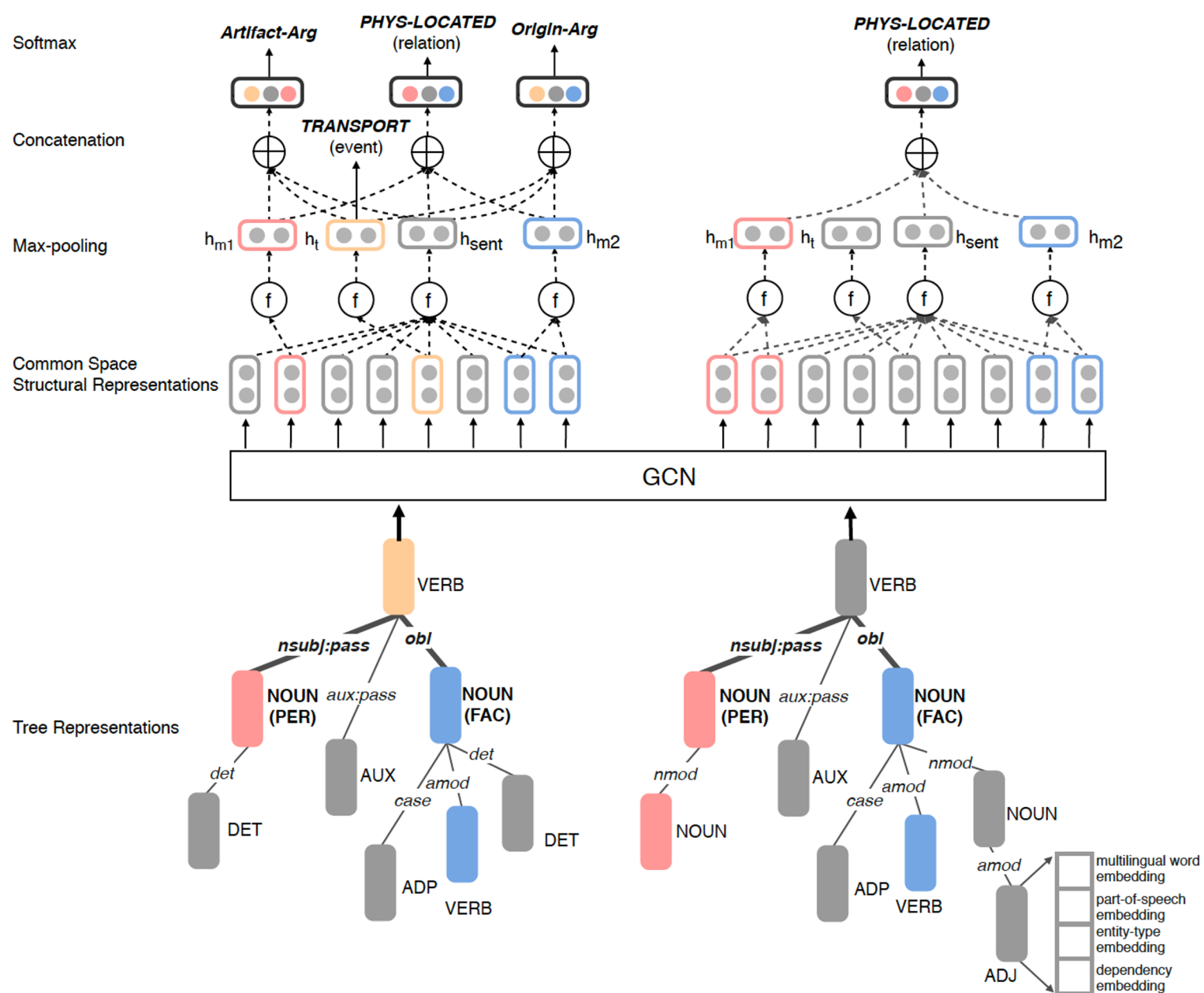
- At the kth layer, derive the hidden representation of each node from the representations of its neighbors at previous layer

$$\mathbf{h}_i^{(k)} = \text{ReLU} \left(\sum_{j=0}^N \frac{\mathbf{A}_{ij} \mathbf{W}^{(k)} \mathbf{h}_j^{(k-1)}}{d_i + b^{(k)}} \right)$$

Application on Event Argument Extraction

- Task: Classify each pair of event trigger and entity mentions into one of pre-defined event argument roles or NONE
- Max-pooling over the final node representations to obtain representations for sentence, trigger and argument candidate, and concatenate them
- A softmax output layer for argument role labeling

$$L^a = \sum_{i=1}^N \sum_{j=1}^{L_i} y_{ij} \log(\sigma(\mathbf{U}^a \cdot [\mathbf{h}_i^t; \mathbf{h}_{ij}^s; \mathbf{h}_j^a]))$$

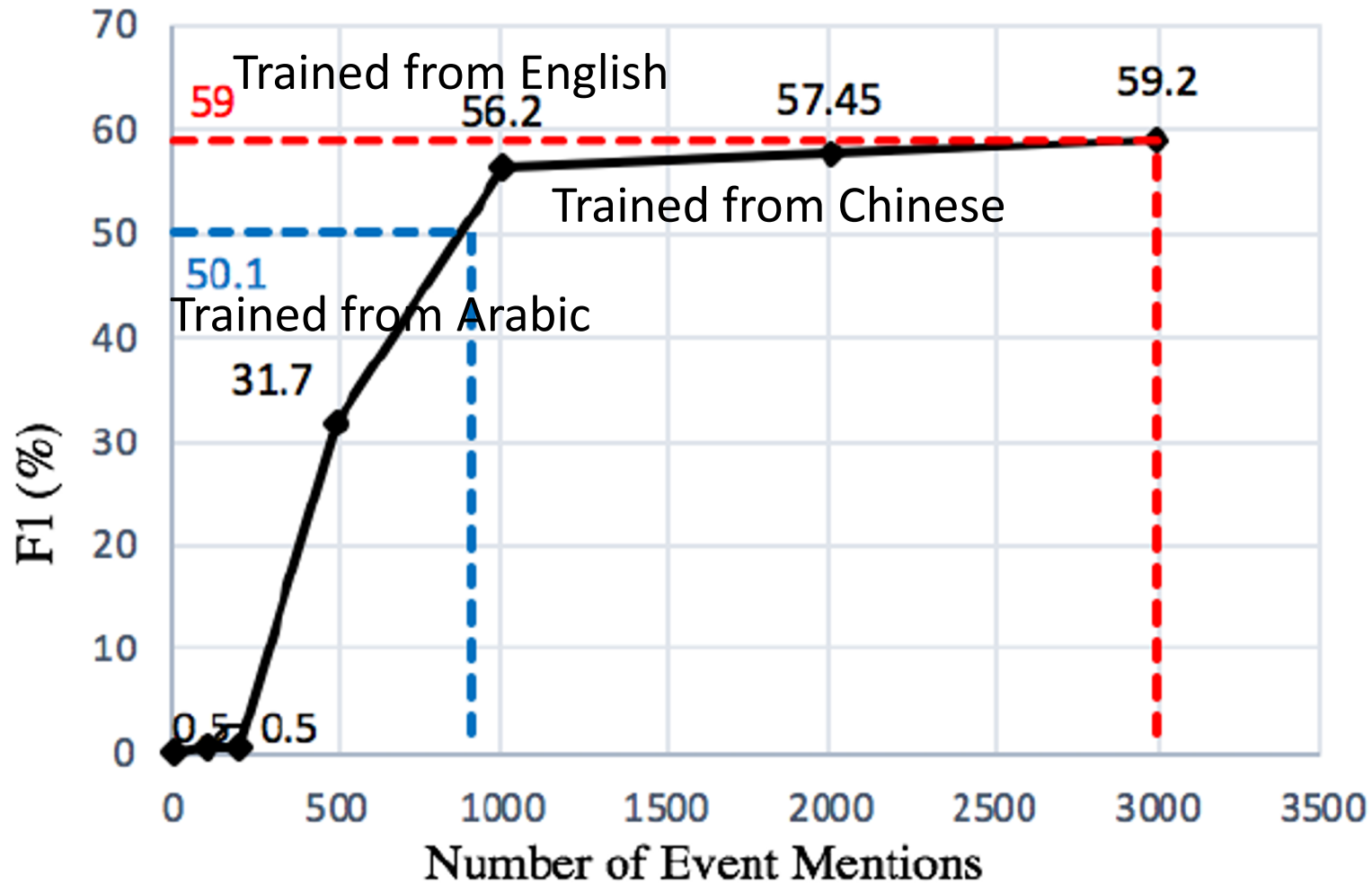


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Cross-lingual Edge Transfer Performance

- Chinese Event Argument Extraction



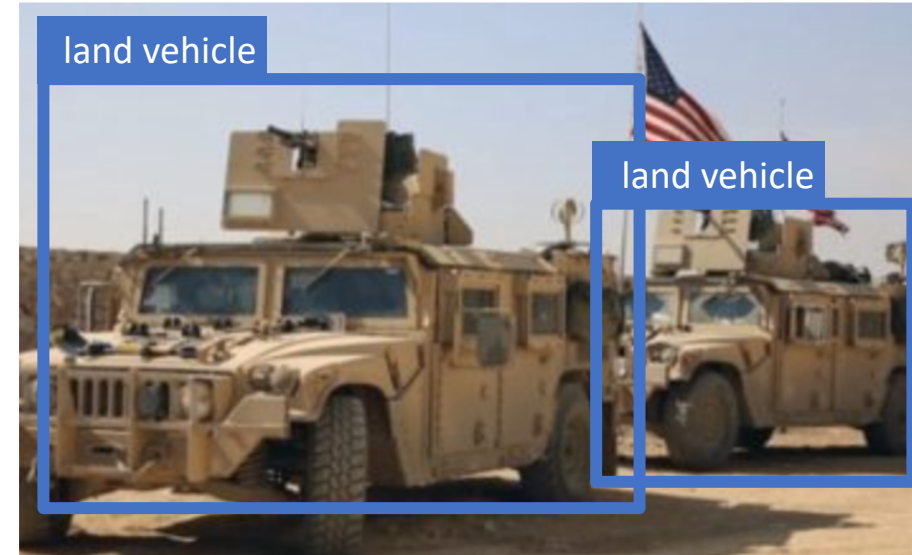
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Multimedia Event Extraction (M²E²)



[Li et al., ACL2020]

Last week, U.S. Secretary of State Rex Tillerson visited Ankara, the first senior administration official to visit Turkey, to try to seal a deal about the battle for Raqqa and to overcome President Recep Tayyip Erdogan's strong objections to Washington's backing of the Kurdish Democratic Union Party (PYD) militias. Turkish forces have attacked SDF forces in the past around Manbij, west of Raqqa, forcing the **United States** to **deploy** dozens of **soldiers** on the **outskirts** of the town in a mission to prevent a repeat of clashes, which risk derailing an assault on Raqqa.



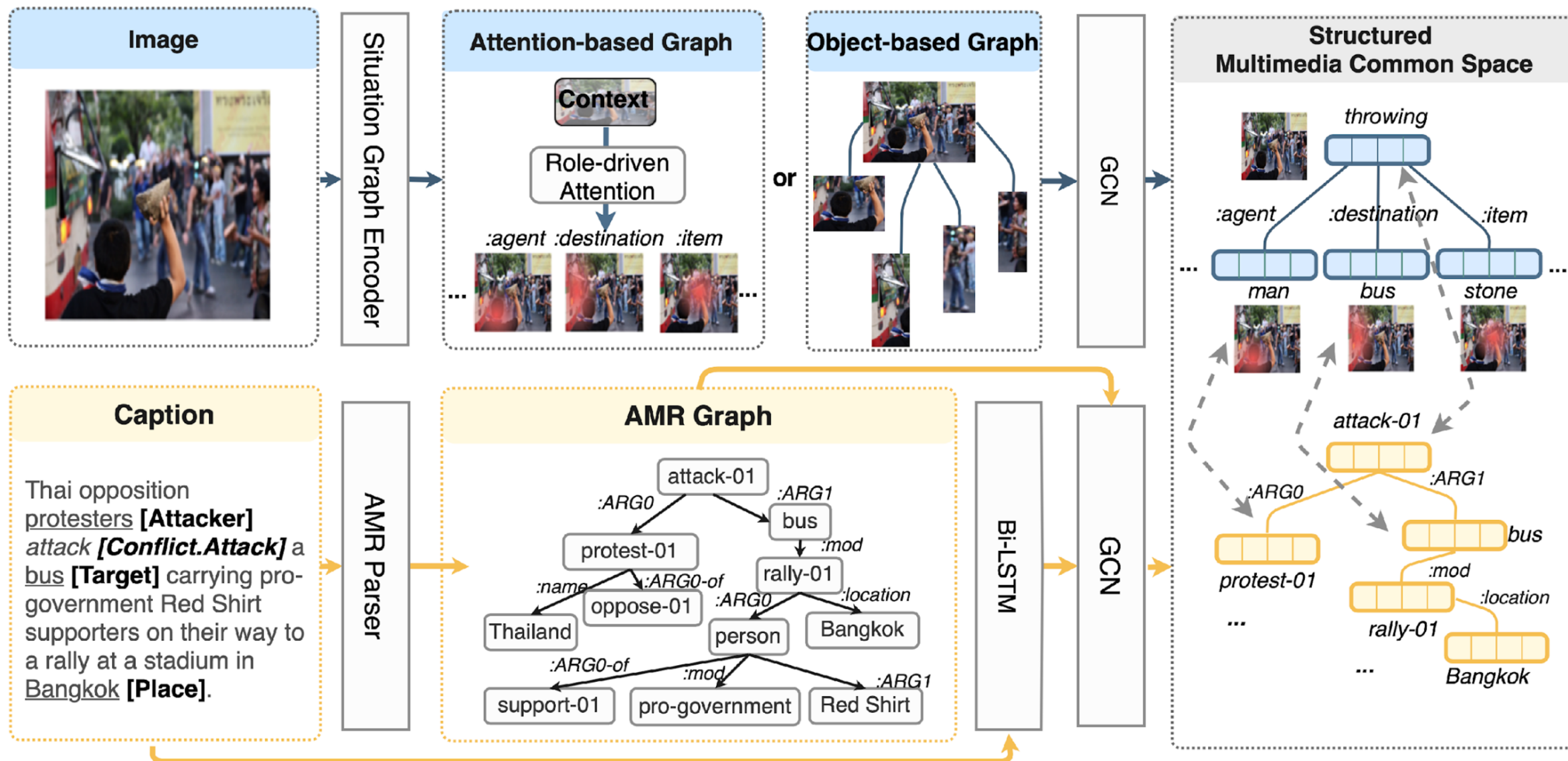
Output: Multimedia Events & Argument Roles

Event Type	Movement.Transport	
Event	Text Trigger	deploy
	Image	

Arguments	Agent	United States
	Destination	outskirts
	Artifact	soldiers
	Vehicle	
	Vehicle	

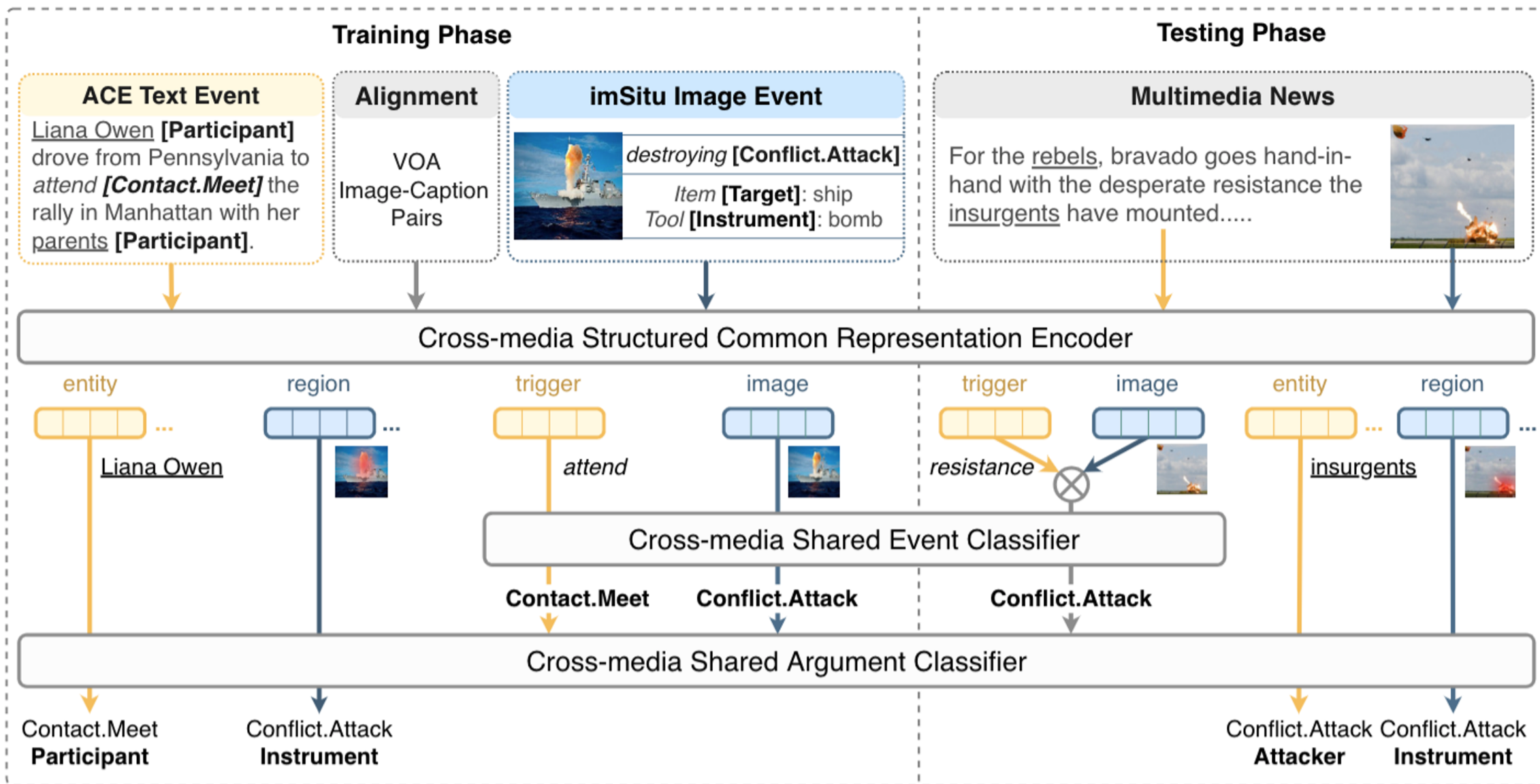
Weakly Aligned Structured Embedding

-- Training Phase (Common Space Construction)



Weakly Aligned Structured Embedding

-- Training and Test Phase (Cross-media shared classifiers)



Compare to Single Data Modality Extraction

- Surrounding sentence helps visual event extraction.
- Image helps textual event extraction.



People celebrate Supreme Court ruling on Same Sex Marriage in front of the Supreme Court in Washington.



Iraqi security forces search **[Justice.Arrest]** a civilian in the city of Mosul.

Compare to Cross-media Flat Representation



Model	Event Type	Argument Role	
Flat	Justice.ArrestJail	Agent =	man
Ours	Justice.ArrestJail	Entity =	man

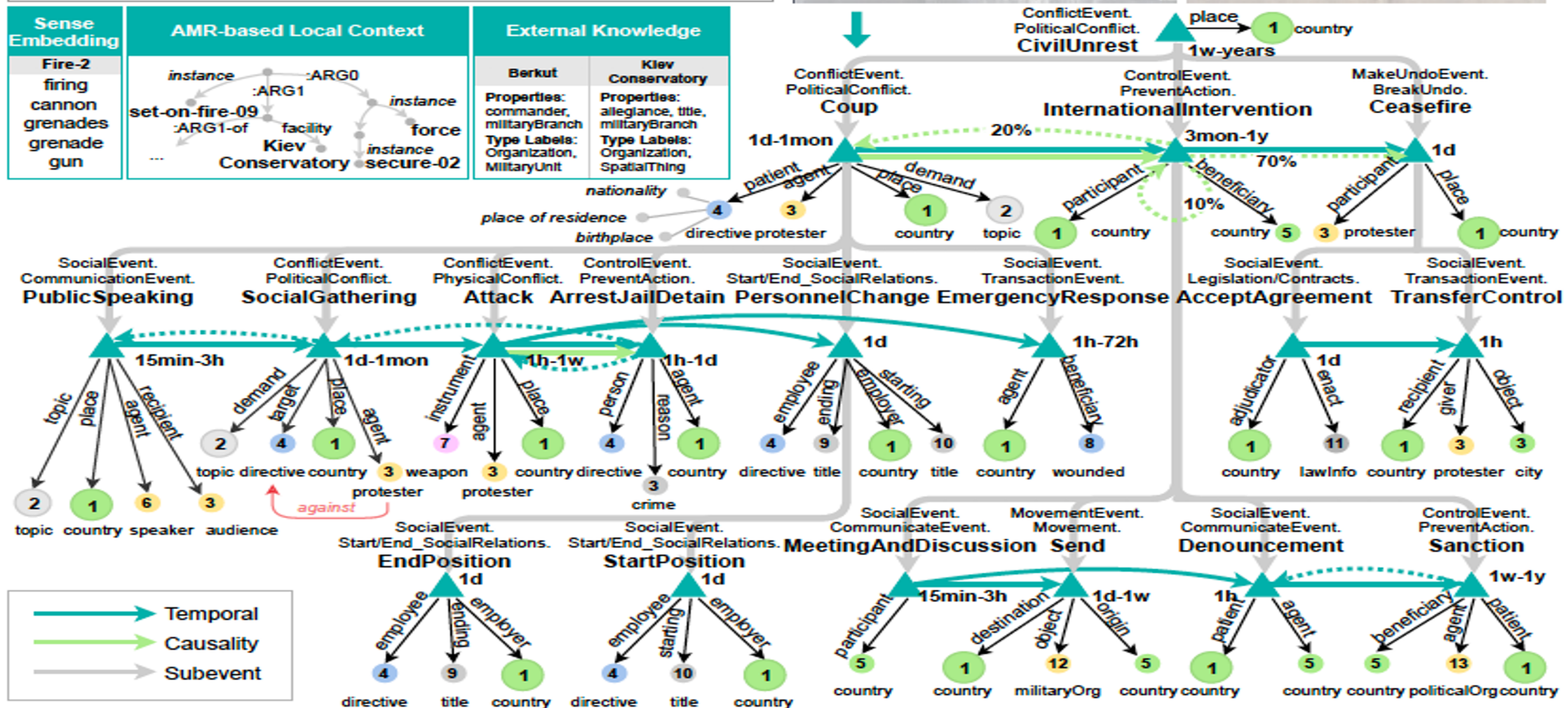
Model	Event Type	Argument Role	
Flat	Movement.Transport	Artifact =	none
Ours	Movement.Transport	Artifact =	man

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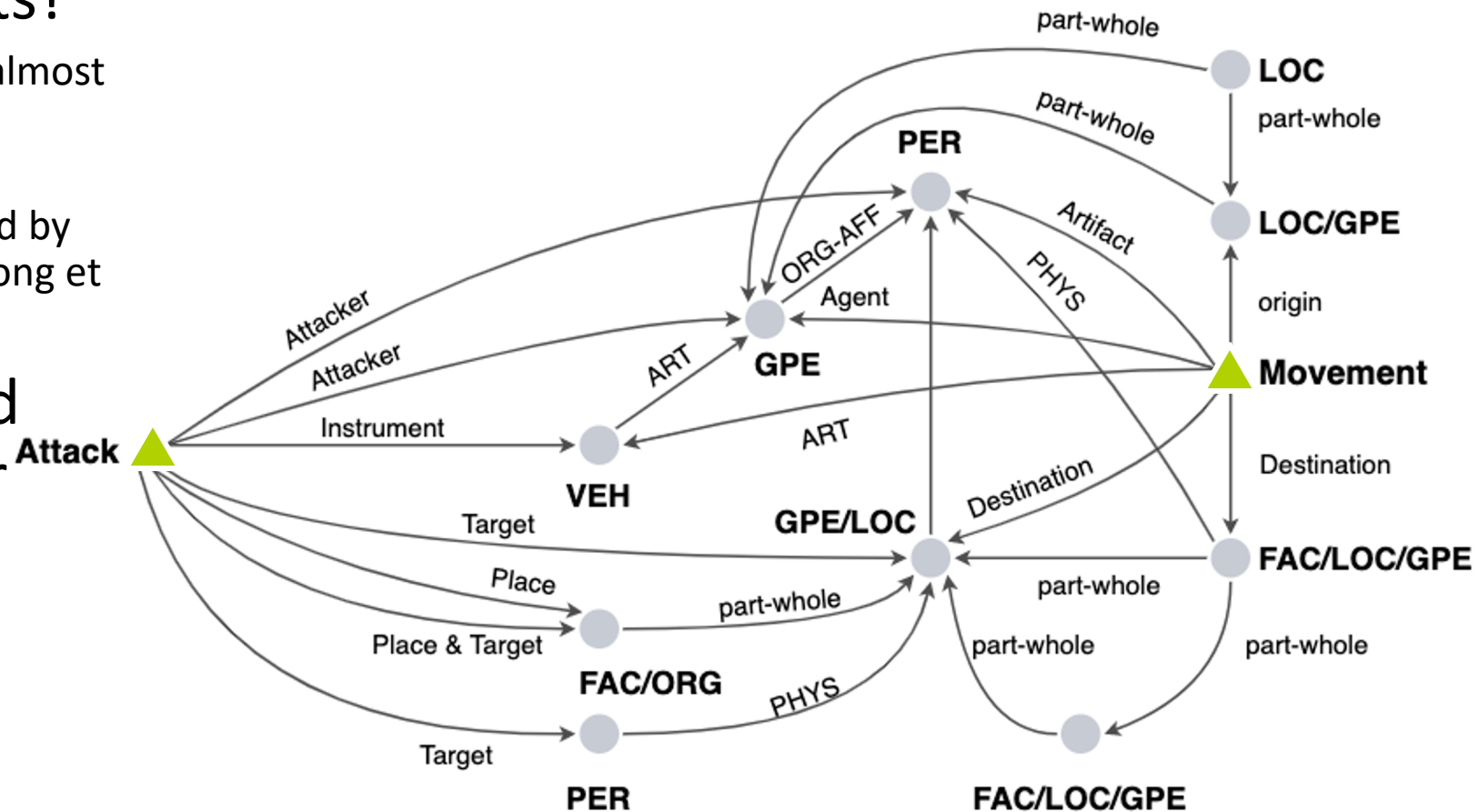
Move from Entity-Centric to Event-Centric NLU

2014 Thai coup d'état: Однако протесты и блокада длятся уже почти 3 месяца, а военные так и не перешли к действиям
 2013 Egyptian coup d'état: ... General Abdel Fattah el-Sisi announced that he there would be calling new presidential and Shura Council elections.
 Ukrainian crisis: At 09:25, protesters pushed the Berkut back to the October Palace after security forces tried to set fire to Kiev Conservatory, which was being used as a field hospital for wounded protesters.



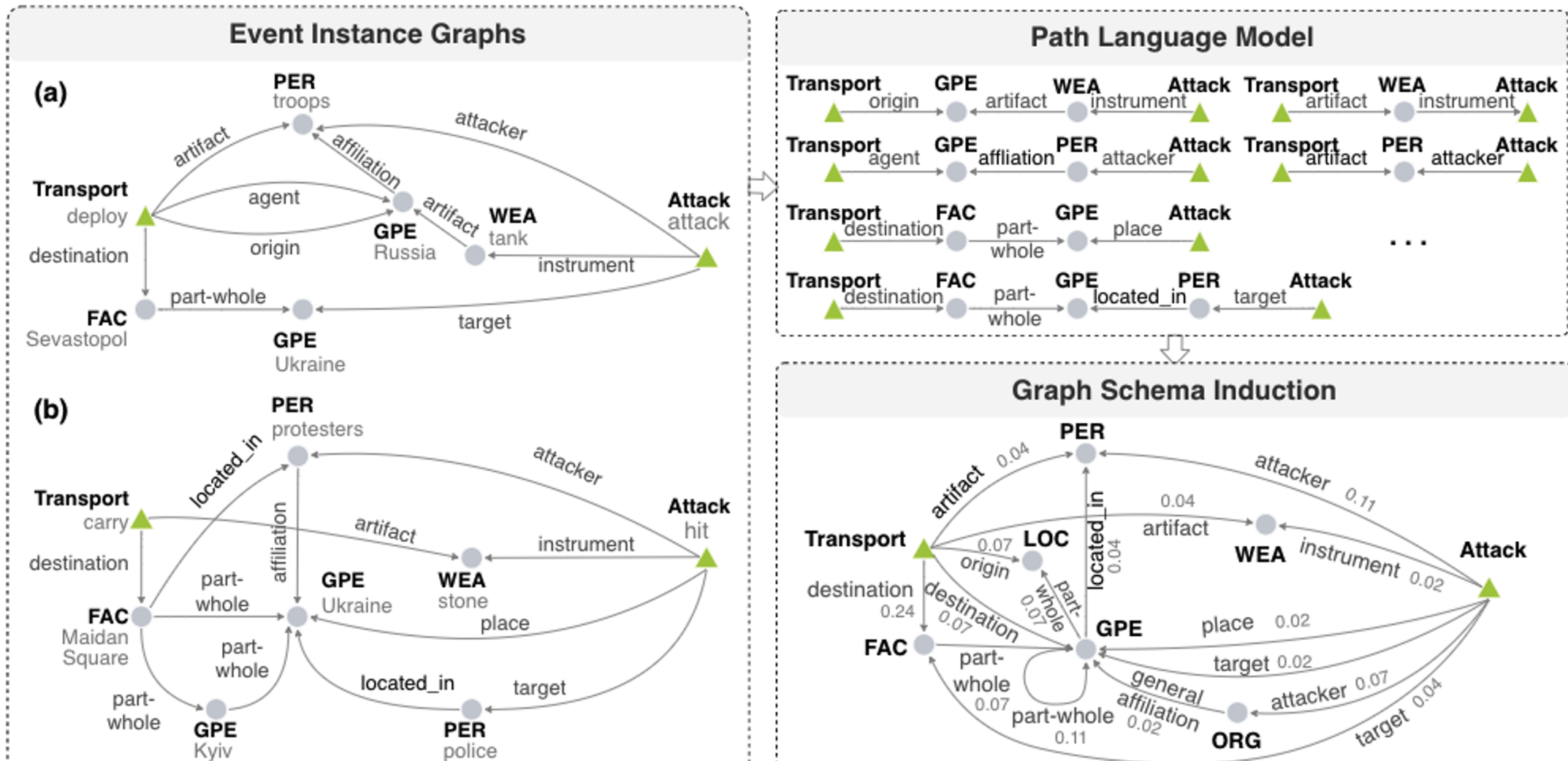
Event Graph Schema Induction

- [Li et al., EMNLP2020]
- How to capture complex connections among events?
 - Temporal relations exist between almost all events, even those that are not semantically related
 - Causal relations have been hobbled by low inter-annotator agreement (Hong et al., 2016)
- Two events are connected through entities and their relations



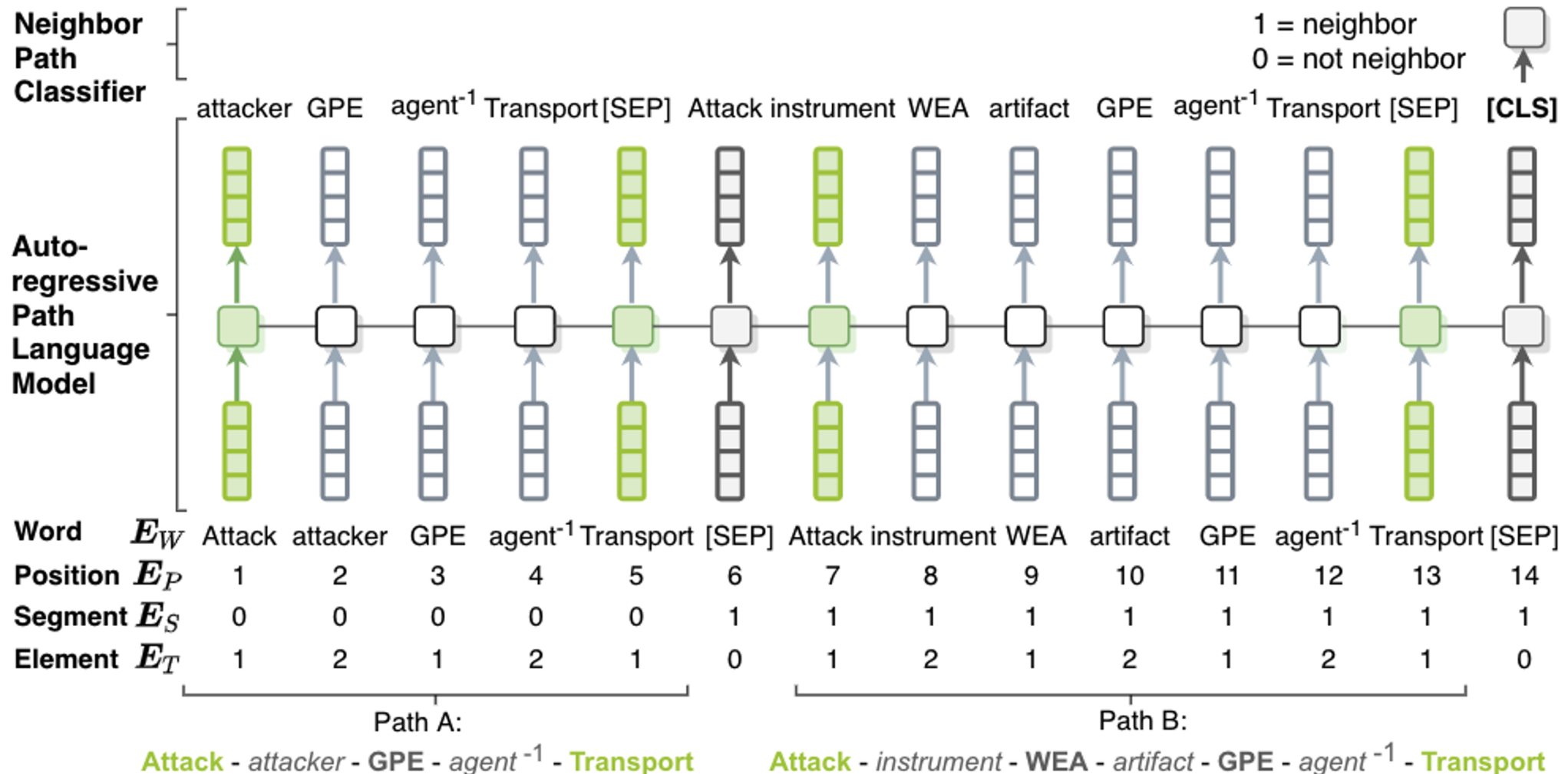
Event Graph Schema Induction

- History repeats itself: Instance graphs (a) and (b) refer to very different event instances, but they both illustrate a same scenario
- We select salient and coherent paths based on Path Language Model, and merge them into graph schemas



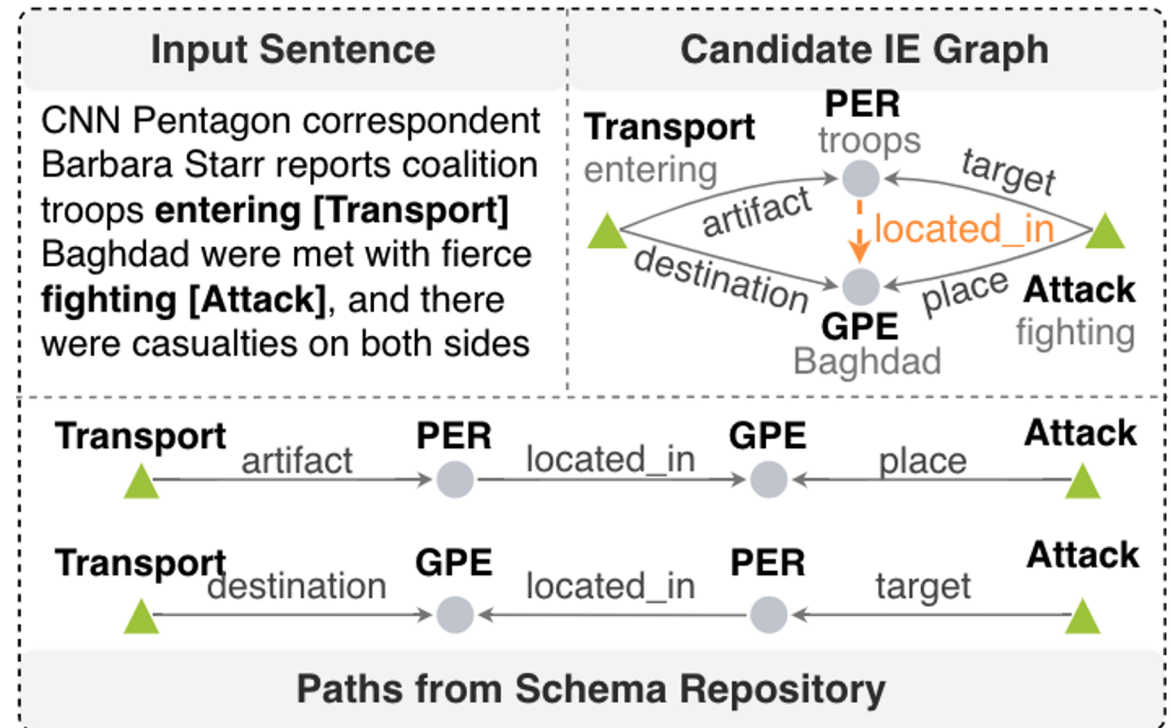
Path Language Model

- Path Language Model is trained on two tasks
 - Autoregressive Language Model Loss: capturing the frequency and coherence of a single path
 - Neighbor Path Classification Loss: capturing co-occurrence of two paths



Schema-Guided Information Extraction

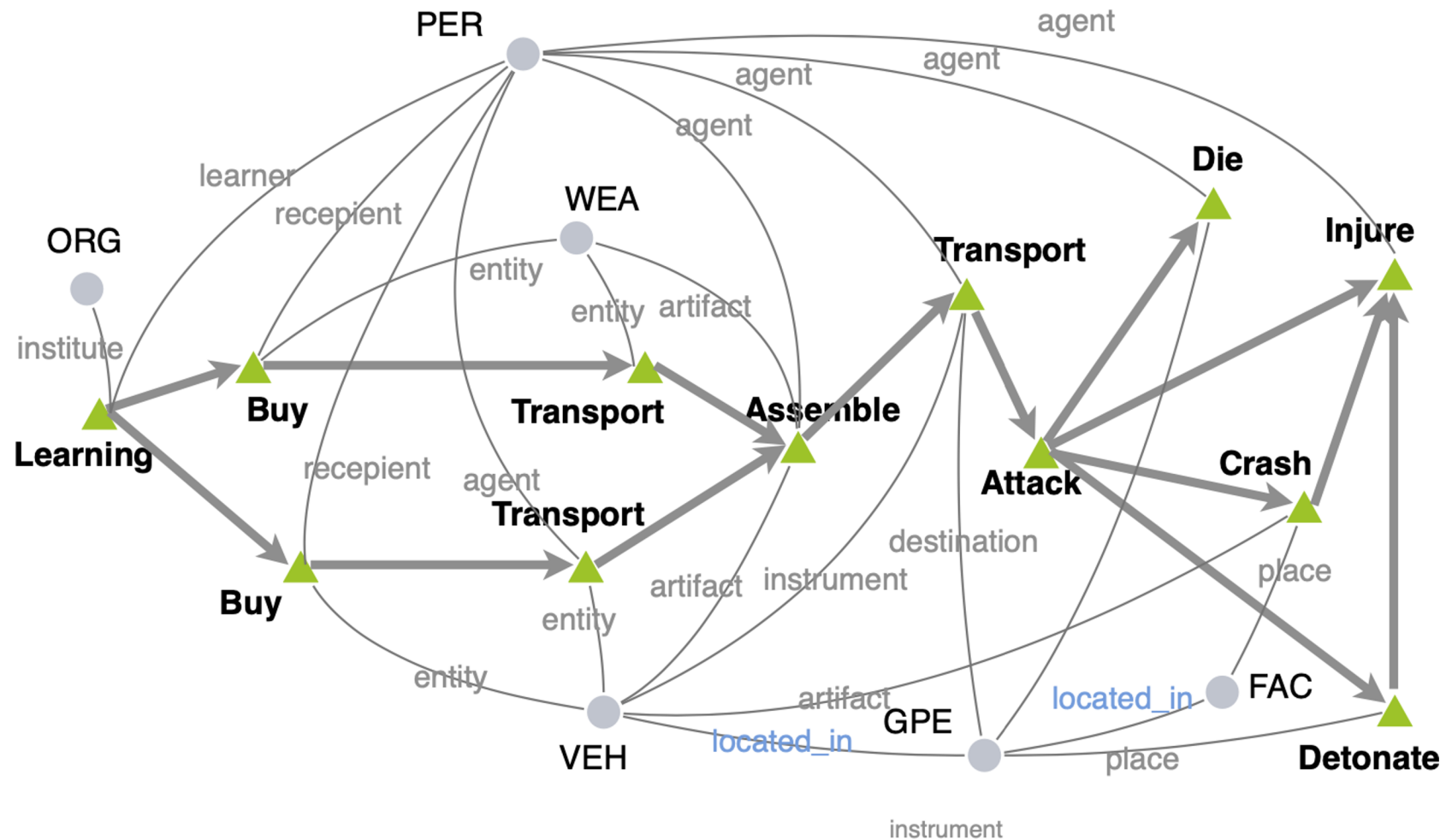
- Use the state-of-the-art IE system OneIE (Lin et al, 2020) to decode converts each input document into an IE graph
- Each path in the graph schema is encoded as a single global feature for scoring candidate IE graphs
- OneIE promotes candidate IE graphs containing paths matching schema graphs
- <http://blender.cs.illinois.edu/software/oneie>
- F-scores (%) on ACE2005 data [Lin et al., ACL2020]:



Dataset	Entity	Event Trigger Identification	Event Trigger Classification	Event Argument Identification	Event Argument Classification	Relation
Baseline	90.3	75.8	72.7	57.8	55.5	44.7
+PathLM	90.2	76.0	73.4	59.0	56.6	60.9

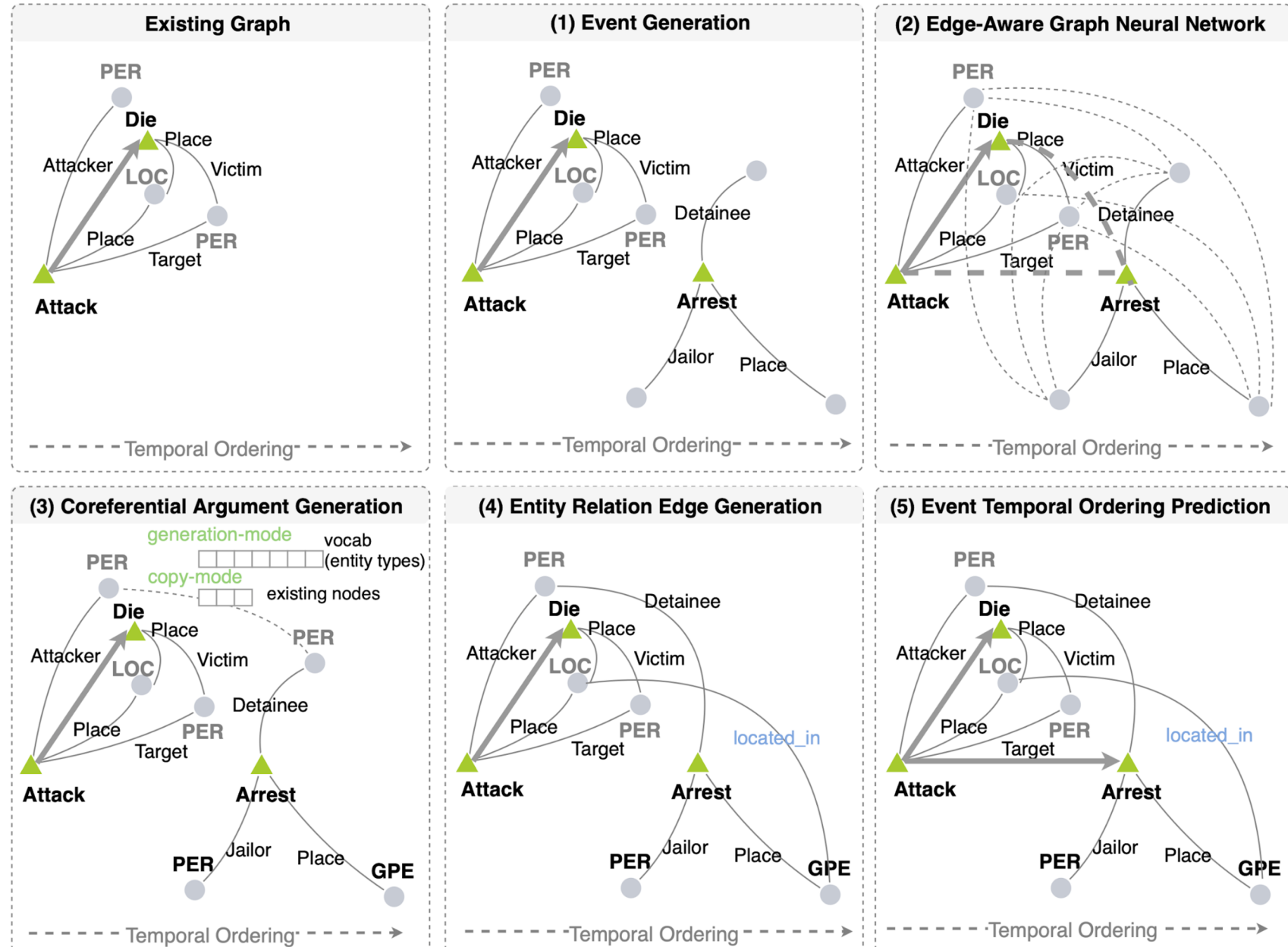
Temporal Complex Event Schema Composition

- **Graph Structure Aware:**
 - Encode entity coreference and entity relation
 - Capture the interdependency of events and entities (sequences can not)
- **Scenario guided:**
 - Train one model based on instance graphs of the same scenario
- **Probabilistic:**
 - Support downstream tasks, such as event prediction



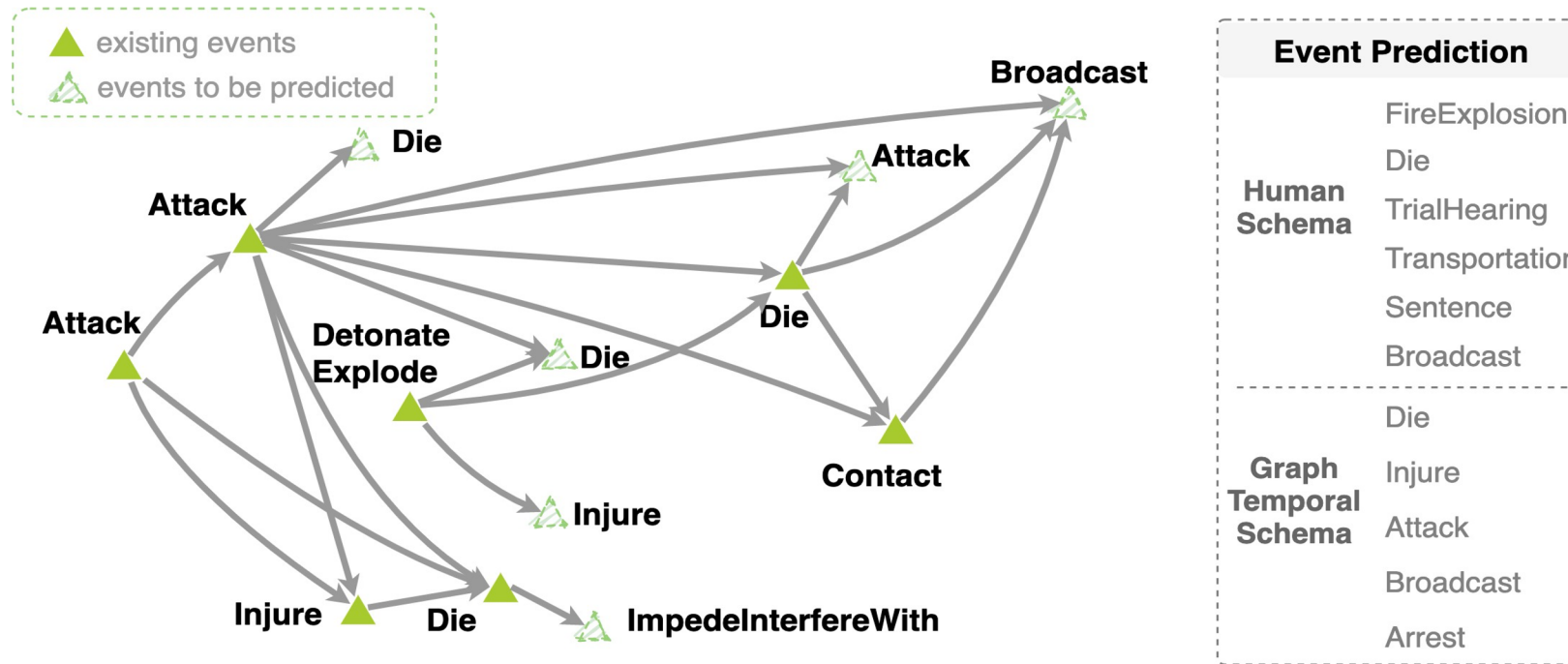
Generative Event Graph Model

- Schemas are the hidden knowledge to control instance graph generation
- Step 1. Event Node Generation
- Step 2. Message Passing
- Step 3. Argument Node Generation
- Step 4. Relation Edge Generation
- Step 5. Temporal Edge Generation



Schema-guided Event Prediction

- **Schema-guided Event Prediction:** The task aims to predict ending events of each graph.
 - Considering that there can be multiple ending events in one instance graph, we rank event type prediction scores and adopt MRR and HITS@1 as evaluation metrics.



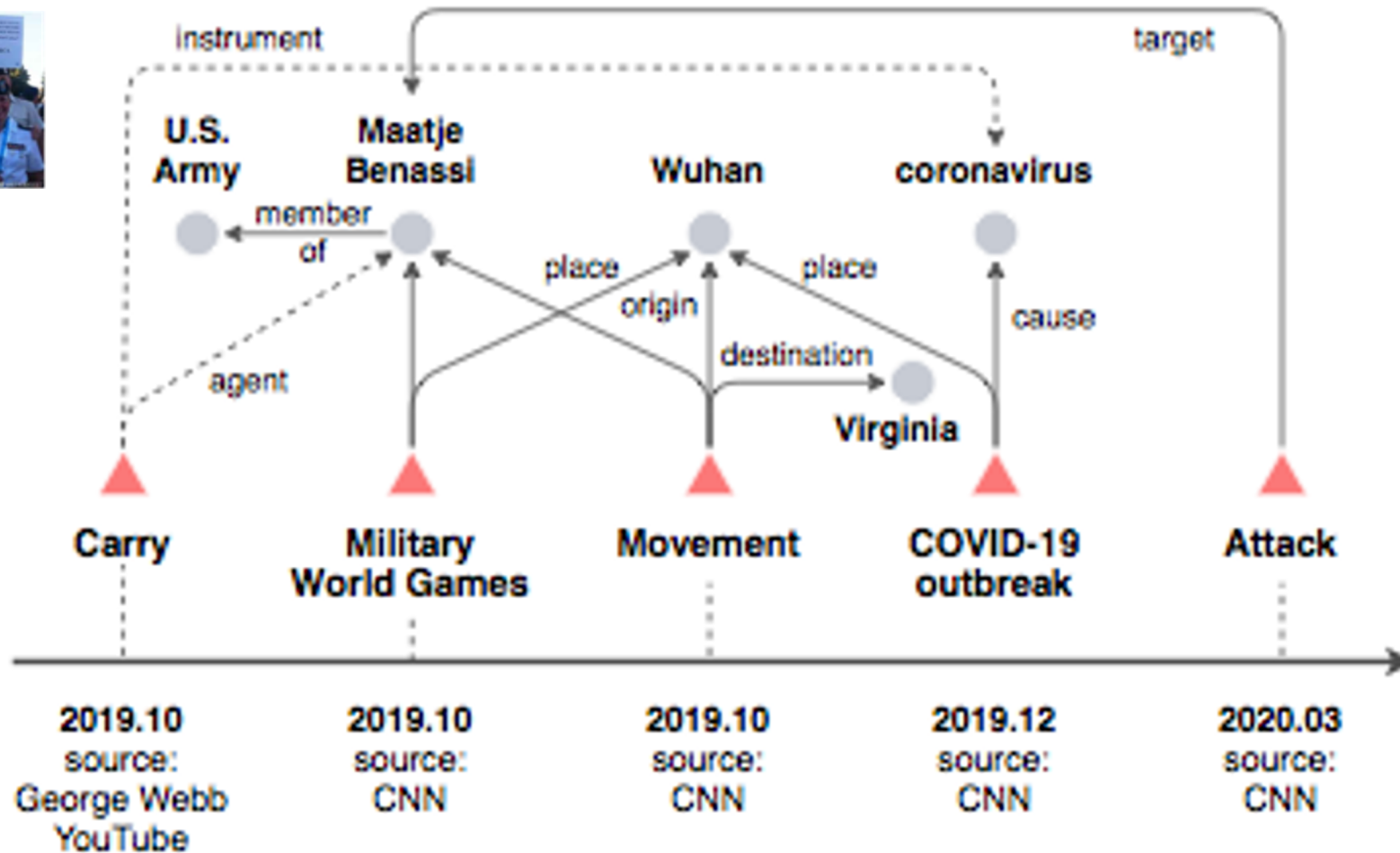
Dataset	Models	MRR	HITS@1
General	Human Schema	0.173	0.205
	Event Graph Model	0.457	0.591

Dataset	Models	MRR	HITS@1
IED	Human Schema	0.072	0.222
	Event Graph Model	0.203	0.426

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Information Pollution



- Why would anyone ever believe these rumors?
- Because humans are very good at connecting dots
- And perhaps too good →

Quiz Time! Which one is Fake News?

Burma's once-outlawed National League for Democracy is holding its first party congress since the opposition group was founded 25 years ago. Delegates in Rangoon will draw up a policy framework and elect a central committee during the three-day meeting that began Friday. Democracy icon Aung San Suu Kyi is also expected to be reappointed as head of the party. The Nobel laureate helped the NLD to a strong showing in historic April by-elections, which saw the party win 43 of the 45 contested seats. But the NLD is setting its sights on 2015, when it hopes to take power during national elections. But the party faces several challenges as it attempts to fashion itself into a viable political alternative to the military, which still dominates parliament and other government institutions. One of the most pressing issues is electing younger leaders to replace the party's elderly founding members, many of whom are in their 80s or 90s and in poor health.



Congress delegates prepare to pose for photographs as they arrive to attend the National League for Democracy party's (NLD) congress in Rangoon, March 8, 2013.

Delegates from the NLD gather in Rangoon for the party's annual congress. The NLD is headed by Nobel Peace Prize winner Aung San Suu Kyi. **The party is expected to win a majority of seats in the parliament.**

This year's NLD Congress is the first time the party has been able to elect its own leadership. Nyan Win, a member of NLD's executive committee, told VOA that the party is looking forward to the new generation of leaders.

The party has come a long way since the military seized power in 1962. **The NLD was founded by a Briton.** Since then, Burma has been ruled by a quasi-civilian government. However, the military has still maintained tight control over the country's political institutions. **Phil Robertson**, Asia director for Human Rights Watch, **said he hopes the party will push forward with reforms that will allow the army to step down and allow the civilian government to take over.**



Quiz Time! Which Caption is Fake?

On 24 May 2017 the Philippines **militants left** their barrack in the outskirts of southern Marawi city to reinforce fellow troops who had been under siege by Islamic **troops**.



Philippine **troops arrive** at their barracks to reinforce fellow troops following the siege by Muslim **militants**, on the outskirts of Marawi city in the southern Philippines, May 24, 2017.

Quiz Time! Which Caption is Fake?

Anis Amri (L), the Tunisian suspect of the [Berlin](#) Christmas market [attack](#), is seen in this photo taken from security cameras at the [Milan](#) Central Train Station in downtown [Milan](#), Italy December 23, 2016.



Anis Amri, a Tunisian suspected of [defending](#) the Christmas market in [Milan](#), was seen in this photo given from a security camera at the Central Train Station of downtown [Berlin](#) on 23 December 2016 .



Knowledge Element-Level Misinformation Detection

[Fung et al., ACL2021]

Motivation: misinformative parts of a fake news article lie along the fine-grained details

Current Issues:

- Fake news detection approaches tend to focus on checking facts, semantic inconsistencies, style or bias, lacking a *unified framework*.
- The document-level detection task lacks *precision* and *explainability*

Ex of Grover-Generated Fake News - News Spoofing

Hong Kong declared Independence from China Yesterday

- February 19, 2021

In a historic decision made yesterday, Hong Kong declared its independence from mainland China. The Senate of Hong Kong, the local government's legislative body, passed the inaugural Resolution of Independence after members of all races, sects and ages gathered in the senate chambers...

"As the Chief Executive Council today endorsed the proposal of the Chief Executive Council to confirm the first proposed Resolution of Independence, Hong Kong is determined to complete the path of self-rule," said **London-based broadcaster CNN** yesterday... *awkward linguistic*

factually incorrect →

"We look forward to the **motion being made** by the Legislative Council and to **firmly reaffirming** our commitment to a prosperous and stable life of our people, while **working together with China**," Hong Kong's Chief Executive, Carrie Lam, said in a statement, according to AFP.

style

semantic drift

Compare with Previous Work

- ❖ Motivation: misinformative parts of a fake news article lie along the fine-grained details
 - Existing approaches lack a *unified framework* in checking facts, semantic inconsistencies, text features and bias

	Text Features	Structured Knowledge	Source Bias	Multimedia	Knowledge Element Level Detection
Perez-Rosaset al. (2018)	✓				
Pan et al. (2017)		✓			
Baly et al. (2018)	✓		✓		
Zellers et al. (2019)	✓		✓		
Tan et al. (2020)	✓			✓	
<i>InfoSurgeon</i> (Ours)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓

Comparison with related work on fake news detection


Knowledge Element-Level Misinformation Detection

- ❖ Combine *local* and *global* features
- ❖ Leverage external knowledge to help pinpoint misinformation

[bbc.com](#)

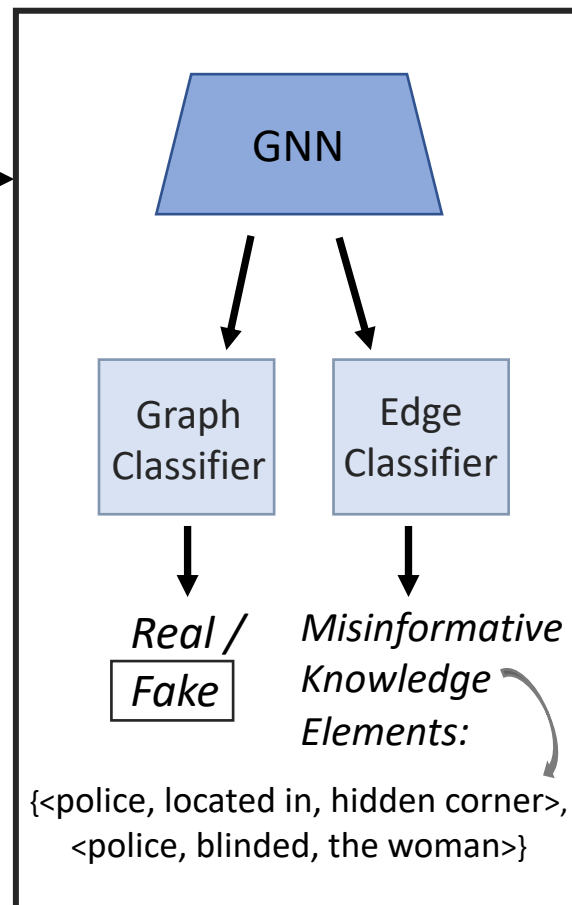
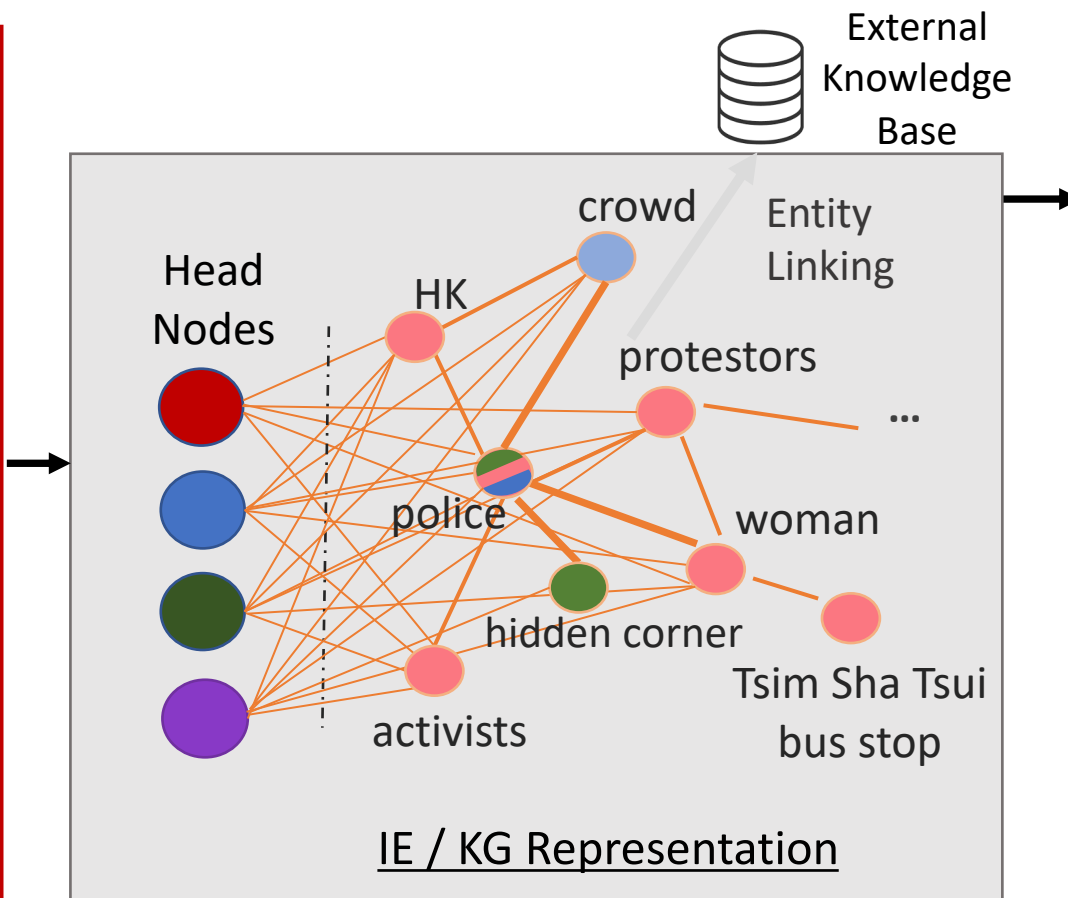
Police Brutality in HK at new Extreme Levels

Aug 11, 2019 | Lisa Lu



Police brutality has risen to a new, extreme level in HK this past weekend. HK police started shooting at protestors on the streets, including the unarmed, peaceful protestors. One notable incidence involved a woman at the Tsim Sha Tsui bus stop being shot in the eye by a policeman hiding behind corners. No warning was issued beforehand, and the woman was permanently blinded. Local activists are avidly calling for international attention on the HK police brutality.

HK police shoot cold bullets at protestors from hidden corners.



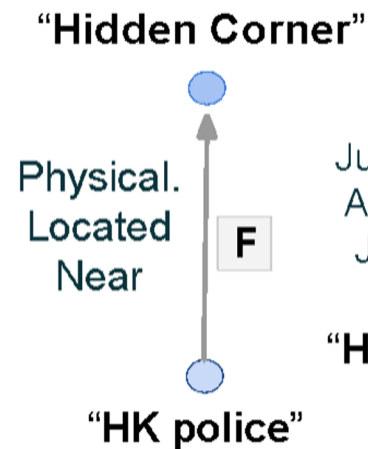
InfoSurgeon

Knowledge Element-Level Misinformation Detection

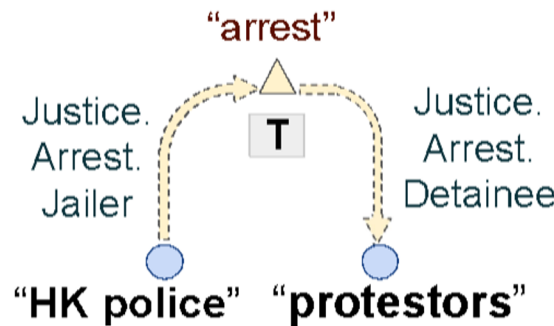
We also propose a **new task** in addition to document-level fake news detection that is more challenging but interesting.

*Label each triplet connecting two entities as **True/False***

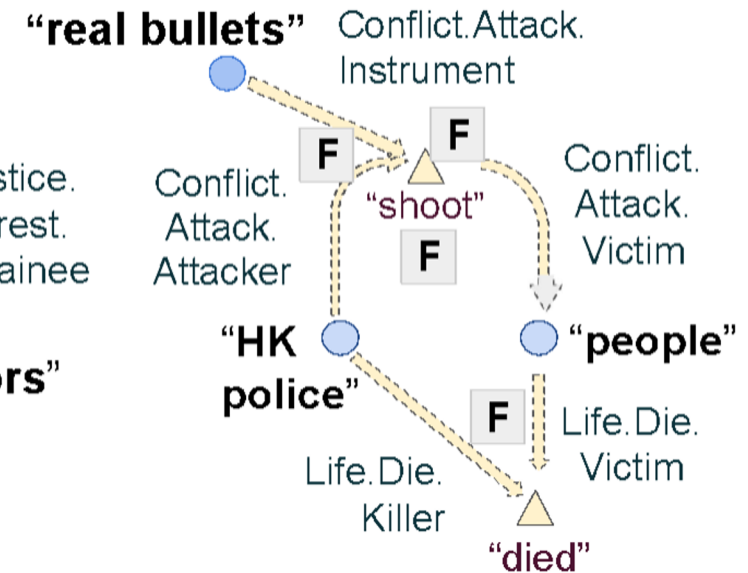
Relation:



Event:



Events/Relations:



T = True, **F** = False, ● = entity

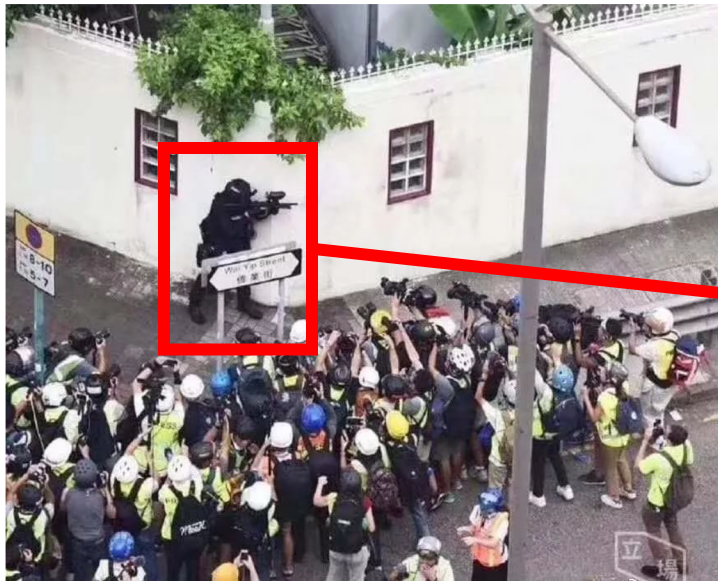
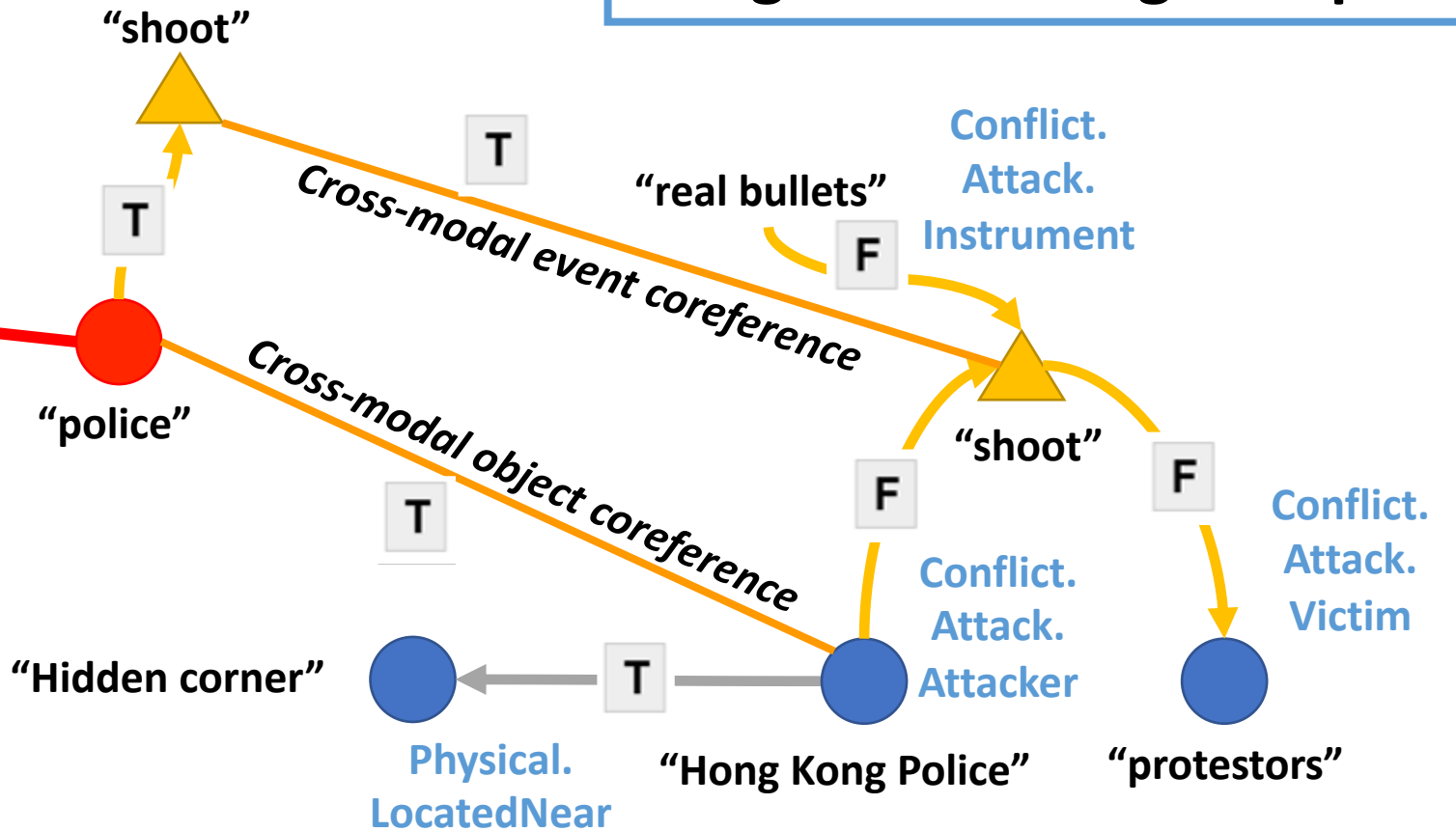


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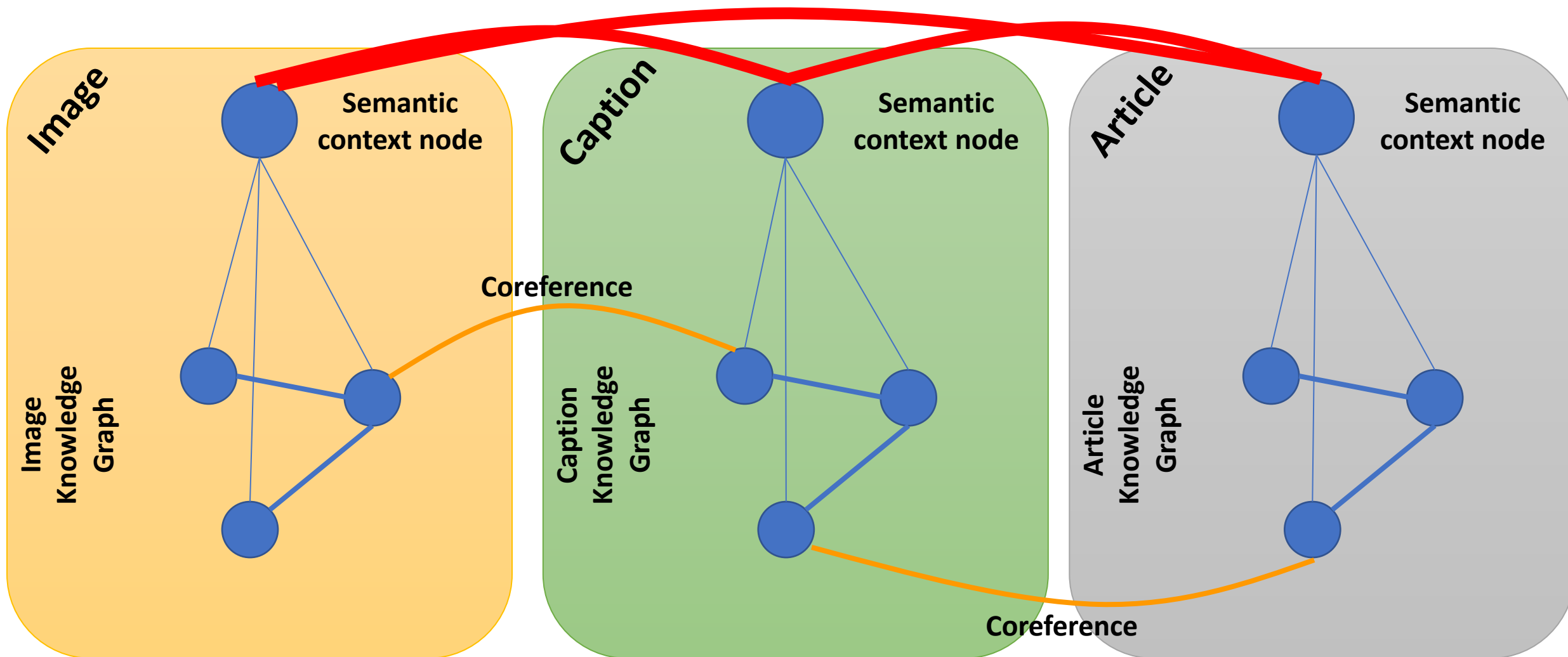
Hong Kong police shoot real bullets at protestors from hidden corners.

Merged Knowledge Graph



T = True, F = False, ● = entity ▲ = event trigger

Graph Propagation



Yi Fung, Christopher Thomas, Revanth Gangi Reddy, Sandeep Polisetty, Heng Ji, Shih-Fu Chang, Kathleen McKeown, Mohit Bansal and Avi Sil

“InfoSurgeon: Cross-Media Fine-grained Information Consistency Checking for Fake News Detection”. *In submission to ACL 2021*

- Annotating specifically which elements in a KG are fake is time-intensive / difficult
- We propose a solution to automatically obtain knowledge-element labeled knowledge graphs for free
- Given a set of real news articles, we extract KGs from the real articles
- Train a text generator model that learns to recreate an article from its KG
- To generate fake data, perform manipulation operations on the KG (editing knowledge relations, events, entities, etc.) to produce KG'
- Generate a fake article from KG'
- Key insight – We now know specifically which elements in KG' were manipulated!

- We perform the following manipulations on KGs:
- **Entity swapping** – Swapping entity that has same type and similar embedding (so they are harder to tell apart)
- **Addition of new relation or event** – Randomly select relation / event argument roles and append a new entity to the relation / event
- **Subgraph replacement** – Select a subgraph of the news article from an entity and replace it with a subgraph from another news article

No Cross-media Manipulation Constraints

Article Image



Manipulated KG

```
<team, Manufacture.Artifact_Artifact.Artifact_Manufacturer, Zambia>  
<Zambia, Manufacture.Artifact_Manufacturer, men> ...  
<bicycle> <truck> <hospital>
```

Generated Article

The Zambia-based Bamboo **truck** is the first of its kind in the world, and it's designed to be a cheaper and lighter alternative to the traditional, heavy-duty, imported, metal ambulance. The Zambian-designed **truck** is built of bamboo, which is an environmentally friendly material...

- We manipulate knowledge graphs to synthesize fake news which contain known types of inconsistencies.
- This example is trivially detectable due to a inconsistency with the image

Generating Text from Structured Representations

Article Image



Manipulated KG

```
<team, Manufacture.Artifact_Ar
tifact.Artifact_Manufacturer,
Zambia Fiji>
<Zambia Fiji, Manufacture.Artif
act_Manufacturer, men> ...
<bicycle> <hospital> ...
```

Generated Article

A team of two Californians living in **Fiji** is trying to build the world's smallest and most affordable bicycle. They are using bamboo as the frame for their bicycles. The team is made up of 25 young men who met at a university in the Pacific island nation of **Fiji**. They're using their...

With Cross-media Manipulation Constraints

- By imposing cross-media knowledge graph manipulation constraints, we prevent generating text with obvious inconsistencies.
- Enables generating more realistic / challenging data for training detector

Caption Manipulation – AMR-to-Caption Synthesis

- Use text parser to get AMR graphs (Banarescu et al., 2013) from captions
- Use AMR since they capture fine-grained relations expressing who does what to whom
- Manipulations:
 - **Role switching** – Swapping entity positions in AMR graph
 - **Predicate negation** – Replace triggers / verbs with antonyms from WordNet
- Use off-the-shelf model for AMR to text synthesis (Ribeiro et al, 2020)



True Caption:

In Afghanistan, the Taliban released to the **media** this picture, which it said shows the suicide bombers who **attacked** the **army** base in Mazar-i-Sharif, April 21, 2017

Fake caption:

On 21 April 2017 the Taliban released this picture to the **army** in Afghanistan which they said was a suicide bomber **hiding** at a **media** base in the city of Mazar-i-Sharif

- **Ethical Statement: we are not going to share our generator, but sharing our detector!**

Knowledge Element-Level Misinformation Dataset

- To address the lack of data for the detection task, we further contribute a **KG2txt fake news generation** approach, which allows for control over knowledge element manipulation and creating silver standard annotation data.

	Overall	Real Documents	Fake Documents
Human Detection Accuracy	61.3%	80.4%	42.3%

The Turing Test results above show that our automatically generated fake documents are also very hard for humans to detect.

Knowledge Element-Level Misinformation Detection

Experimental result on traditional document-level detection:


	NYTimes Neural News Dataset	VOA Manipulated KG2Txt Dataset
Grover	56.0%	86.4%
DIDAN	77.6%	88.3%
InfoSurgeon (Our Model)	94.5%	92.1%

Experimental result on the novel task, knowledge element level misinformation detection:

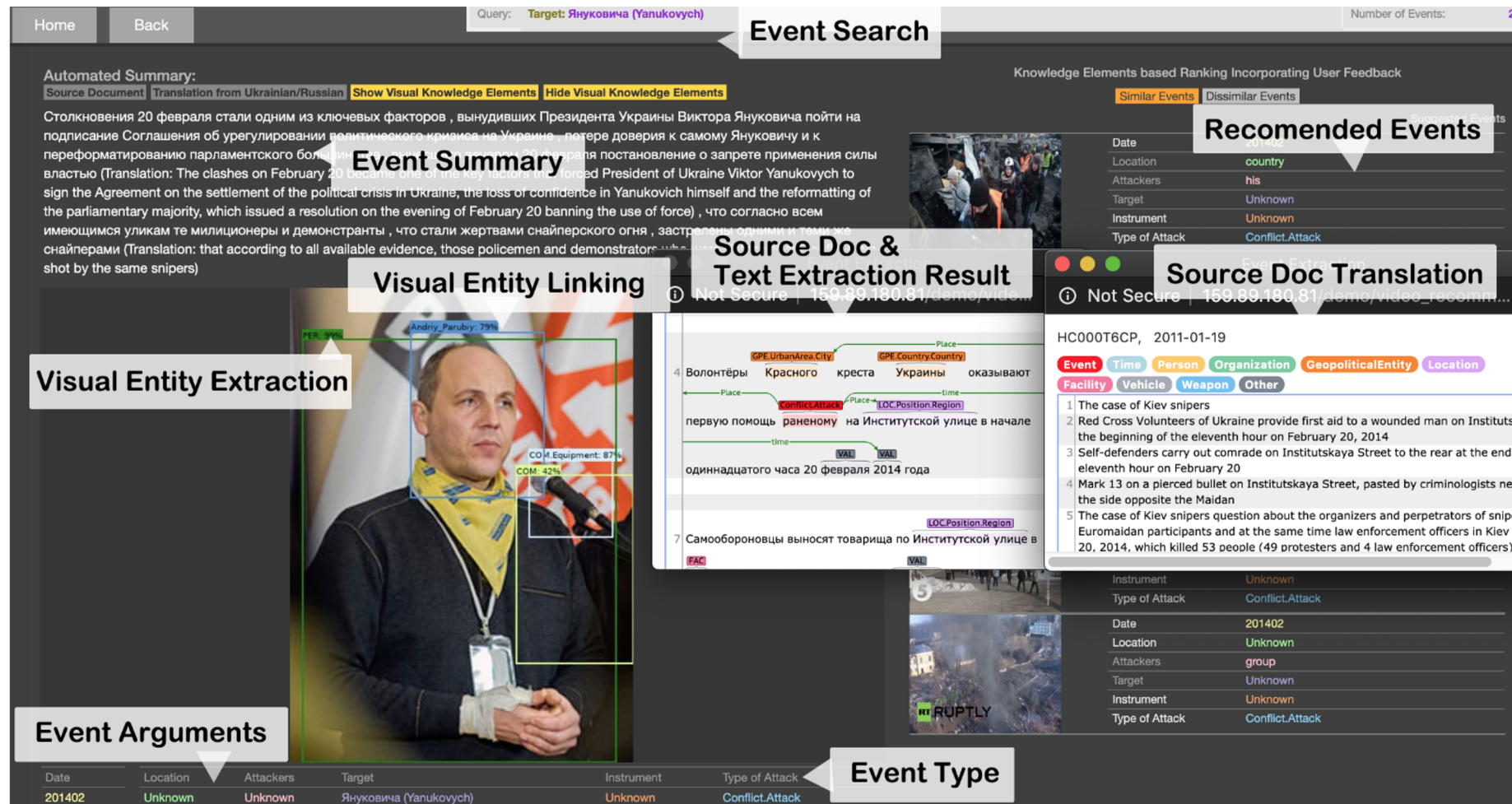
	VOA Manipulated KG2Txt Dataset
Random (baseline)	27%
InfoSurgeon (Our Model)	37%

A Successful Example

- ❖ Example of fake news article in which baseline misses, but *InfoSurgeon* successfully detects

Image	Caption	Body Text	Misinformative KEs
	<p>Aerial view of Fort McHenry.</p>	<p>The battle of Fort McHenry, which took place in September of 1814, was a pivotal moment in the U.S. War of Independence...When the British finally left, they left behind a trail of destruction, including the destruction of the twin towers of the World Trade Center ...</p>	<p><British, Conflict.Attack, twin towers></p>

Demo 1: Multimedia Event Recommendation



Home Back Query: Target: Януковича (Yanukovich) Number of Events: 2

Event Search

Automated Summary: Source Document Translation from Ukrainian/Russian Show Visual Knowledge Elements Hide Visual Knowledge Elements

Knowledge Elements based Ranking Incorporating User Feedback Similar Events Dissimilar Events

Event Summary

Source Doc & Text Extraction Result

Source Doc Translation

Visual Entity Linking

Visual Entity Extraction

Event Arguments

Event Type

Recommended Events

Date	Location	Attackers	Target	Instrument	Type of Attack
201402	Unknown	Unknown	Януковича (Yanukovich)	Unknown	Conflict.Attack

Date	Location	Attackers	Target	Instrument	Type of Attack
201402	country	his	Unknown	Unknown	Conflict.Attack

Date	Location	Attackers	Target	Instrument	Type of Attack
201402	Unknown	group	Unknown	Unknown	Conflict.Attack

HC000T6CP, 2011-01-19

- 1 The case of Kiev snipers
- 2 Red Cross Volunteers of Ukraine provide first aid to a wounded man on Institutka the beginning of the eleventh hour on February 20, 2014
- 3 Self-defenders carry out comrade on Institutskaya Street to the rear at the end of eleventh hour on February 20
- 4 Mark 13 on a pierced bullet on Institutskaya Street, pasted by criminologists near the side opposite the Maidan
- 5 The case of Kiev snipers question about the organizers and perpetrators of sniper: Euromaidan participants and at the same time law enforcement officers in Kiev on 20, 2014, which killed 53 people (49 protesters and 4 law enforcement officers)

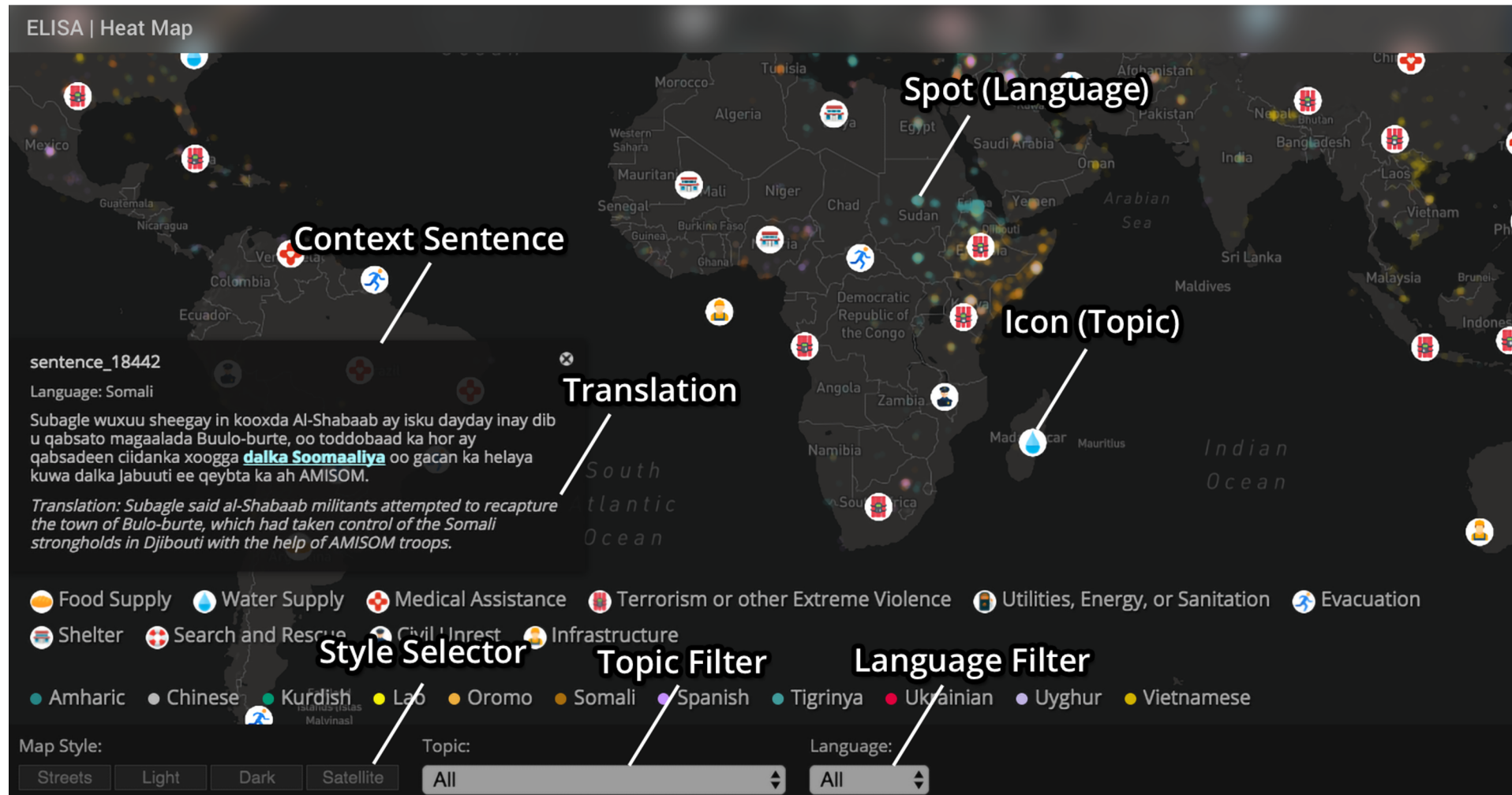
(Li et al., ACL2020 Best Demo Paper Award)

GitHub: <https://github.com/GAIA-IE/gaia>

DockerHub: <https://hub.docker.com/orgs/blendernlp/repositories>

Demo: http://159.89.180.81/demo/video_recommendation/index_attack_dark.html

Demo 2: Event Heatmap for Disaster Relief



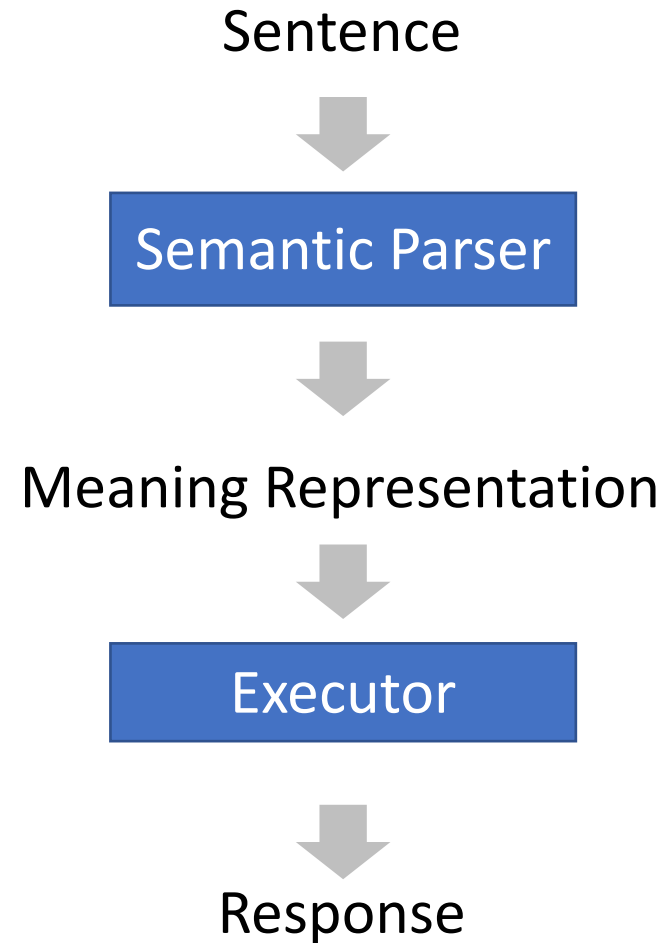
- Re-trainable Systems: http://159.89.180.81:3300/elisa_ie/api
- Demos: http://159.89.180.81:3300/elisa_ie
- Heat map: <http://159.89.180.81:8080/>

Software and Resources

- KAIROS RESIN Cross-document Cross-lingual Cross-media Information Extraction system (Wen et al., NAACL2021 demo)
 - <https://github.com/RESIN-KAIROS/RESIN-pipeline-public>
- Joint Neural Information Extraction system (Lin et al., ACL2020)
 - <http://blender.cs.illinois.edu/software/oneie/>
- GAIA Multimedia Event Extraction system and new benchmark with annotated data set (Li et al., ACL2020 demo)
 - GitHub: https://github.com/GAIA-AIDA/uiuc_ie_pipeline_fine_grained
 - Text IE DockerHub: <https://hub.docker.com/orgs/blendernlp/>
 - Visual IE repositories: <https://hub.docker.com/u/dannapierskitoptal>

Semantic Parsing

Semantic Parsing



More on Semantic Parsing: **Neural Semantic Parsing** Gardner, et al. ACL'2018

Text to SQL: GNN

[Bogin et al. ACL'19]

x : Find the age of students who **do not have** a cat pet.

y : SELECT age FROM student WHERE
student NOT IN (SELECT ... FROM student **JOIN**
has_pet ... **JOIN** pets ... WHERE ...)

x : What are the names of teams that **do not have** match season record?

y : SELECT name FROM team WHERE
team_id NOT IN (SELECT team FROM match_season)

Bogin, et al. **Representing Schema Structure with Graph Neural Networks for Text-to-SQL Parsing.** ACL'19

Text to SQL: GNN

Input

$x = \text{"What is the name of the semester with the most students registered?"}$

$\mathcal{T} = \{\text{student, semester, student_semester, program, ...}\}$

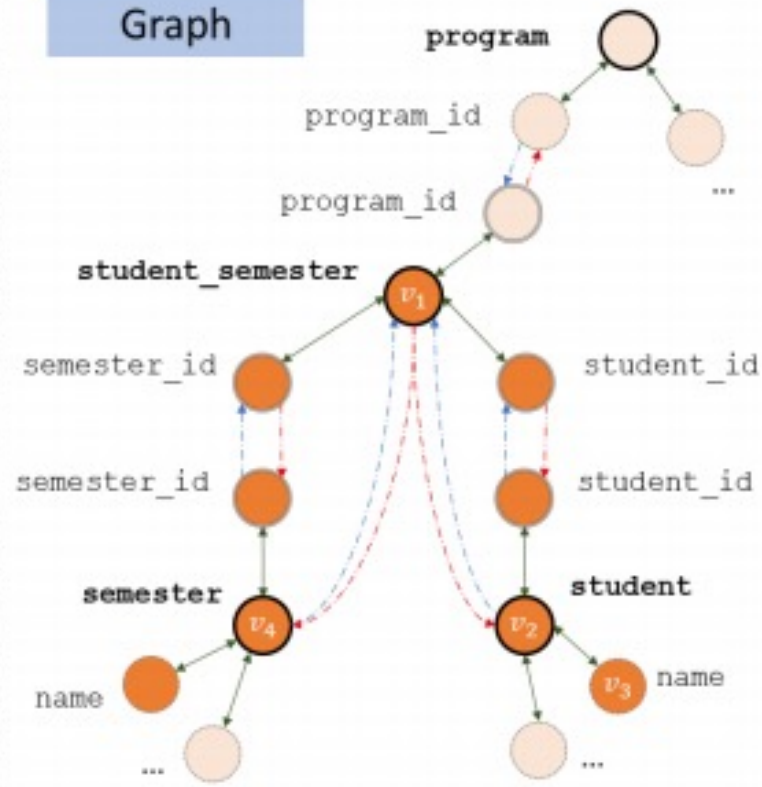
$\mathcal{C}_{\text{student}} = \{\text{name, cell_number, ...}\}$

$\mathcal{C}_{\text{student_semester}} = \{\text{semester_id, student_id, program_id}\}$

$\mathcal{C}_{\text{semester}} = \{\text{semester_id, name, program_id, details, ...}\}$

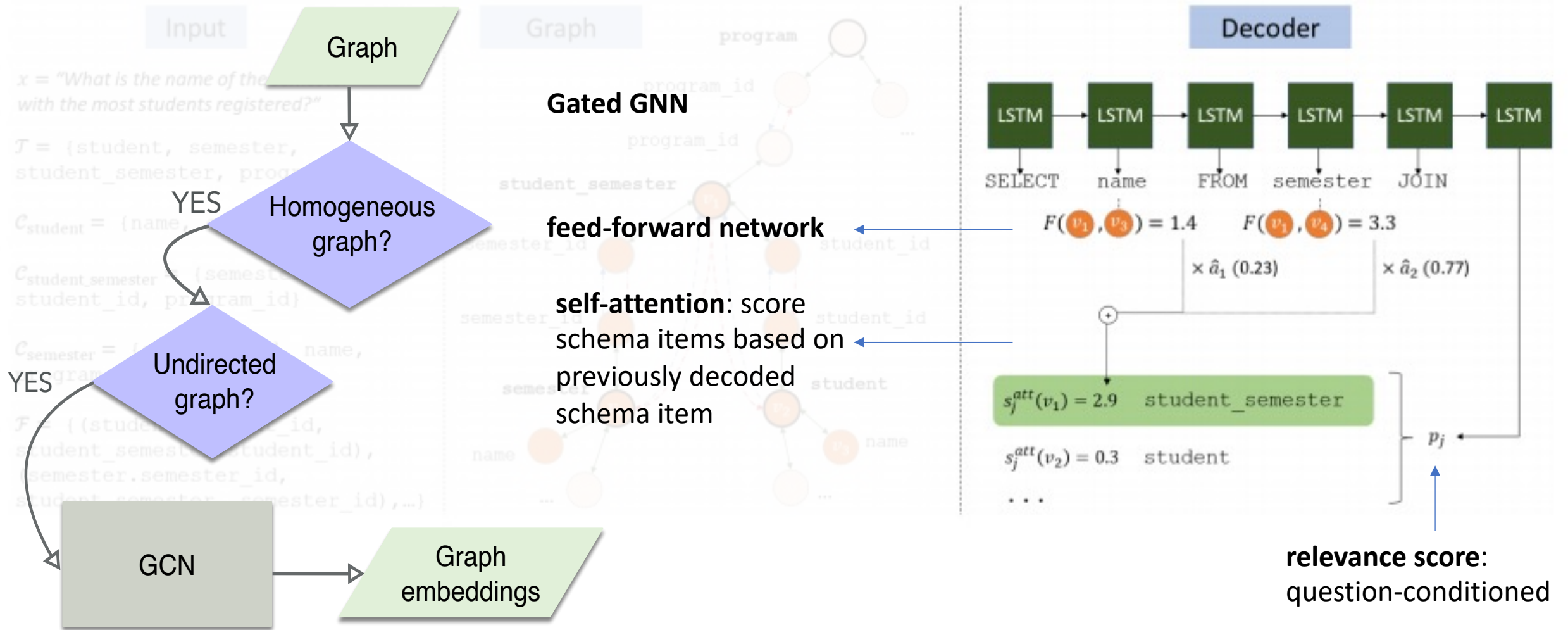
$\mathcal{F} = \{(\text{student.student_id, student_semester.student_id}), (\text{semester.semester_id, student_semester.semester_id}), \dots\}$

Graph



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Text to SQL: GNN



Text to SQL: GNN

[Bogin et al. ACL'19]

Model	Acc.	SINGLE	MULTI
SQLNET	10.9%	13.6%	3.3%
SYNTAXSQLNET	18.9%	23.1%	7.0%
NO GNN	34.9%	52.3%	14.6%
GNN	40.7%	52.2%	26.8%
- NO SELF ATTEND	38.7%	54.5%	20.3%
- ONLY SELF ATTEND	35.9%	47.1%	23.0%
- NO REL.	37.0%	50.4%	21.5%
GNN ORACLE REL.	54.3%	63.5%	43.7%

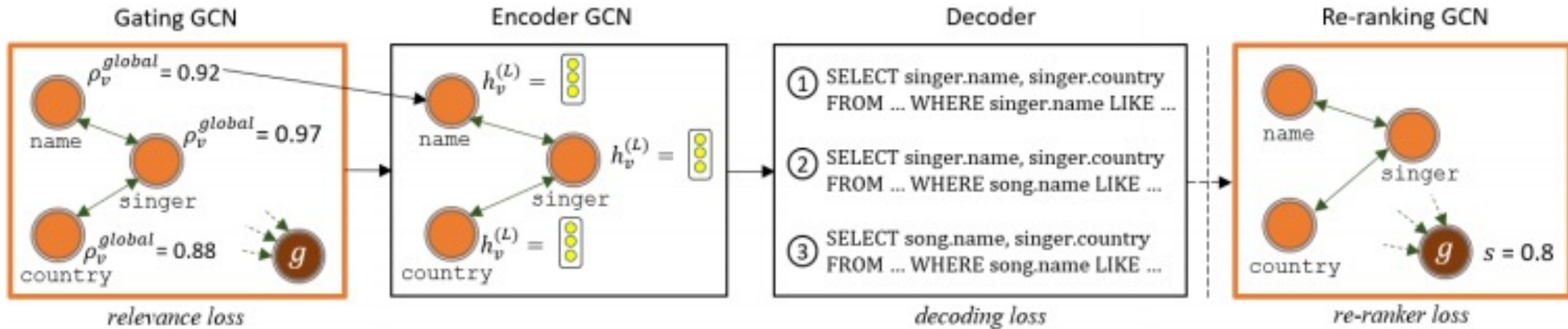
Encoding the schema structure is important

All components in GNN are important

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Text to SQL: Global GNN

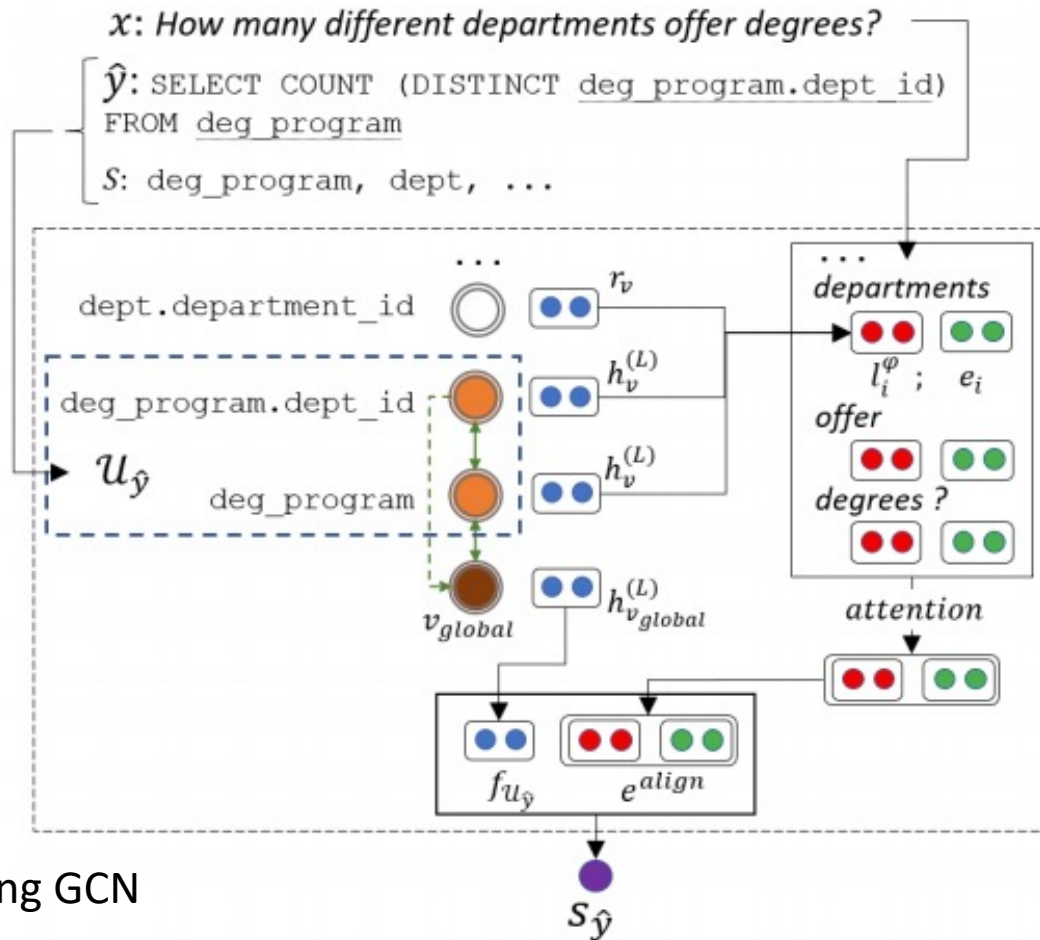
[Bogin et al. EMNLP'19]



Bogin, et al. **Global Reasoning over Database Structures for Text-to-SQL Parsing.** EMNLP'19

Text to SQL: Global GNN

[Bogin et al. EMNLP'19]



Rerank based on how well a query properly covers question words

Text to SQL: Global GNN

[Bogin et al. EMNLP'19]

Model	Acc.
SYNTAXSQLNET	18.9%
GNN	40.7%
+ RE-IMPLEMENTATION	44.1%
GLOBAL-GNN	52.1%
- NO GLOBAL GATING	48.8%
- NO RE-RANKING	48.3%
- NO RELEVANCE LOSS	50.1%
NO ALIGN REP.	50.8%
QUERY RE-RANKER	47.8%
ORACLE RELEVANCE	56.4%

Need to globally reason about the structure of the output query to select database constants

Reranking queries based on global match between the DB and the question is effective

Fact Checking over Table: LogicalFactChecker

[Zhong et al. ACL'20]

Year	Venue	Winner	Score
2005	Arlandastad	David Patrick	272
2004	Arlandastad	Matthew King	270
2003	Falsterbo	Titch Moore	273
2002	Halmstad	Thomas Besancenez	279

Statement In 2004, the score is less than 270.

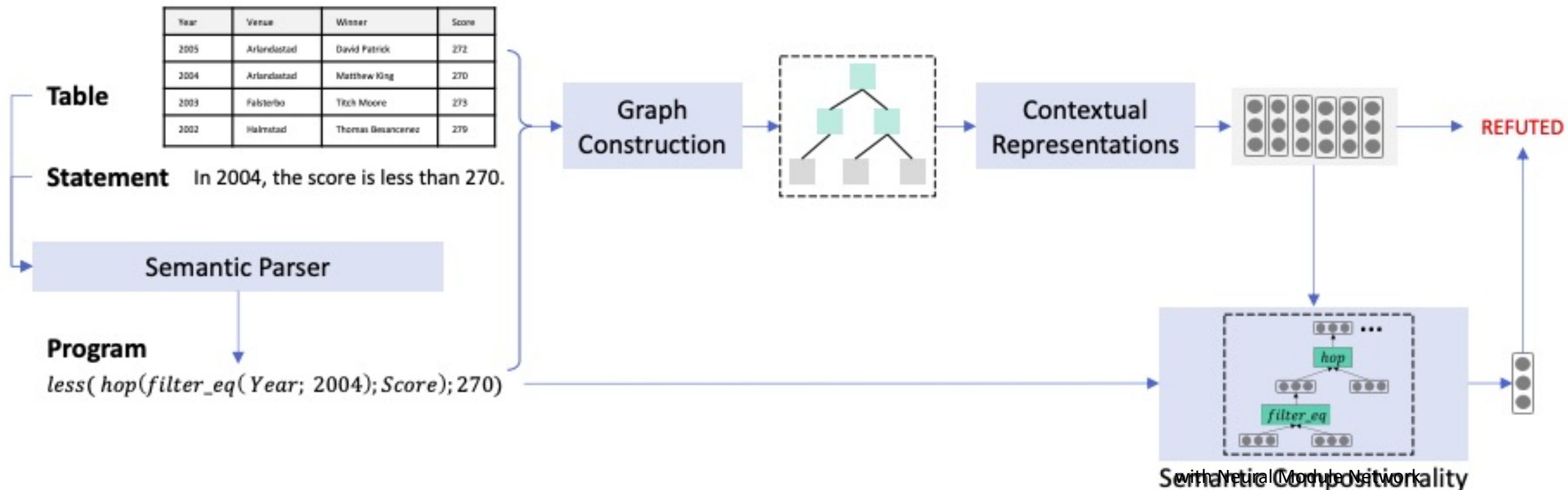
Label REFUTED

Program *less(hop(filter_eq(Year; 2004); Score); 270)*

Zhong et al. **LogicalFactChecker: Leveraging Logical Operations for Fact Checking with Graph Module Network**. ACL'20

Fact Checking over Table: LogicalFactChecker

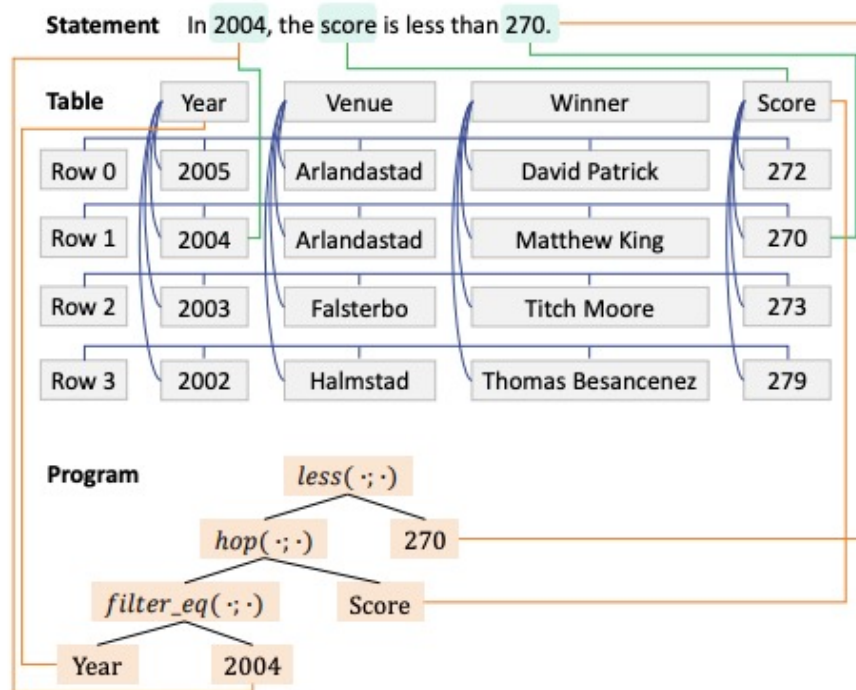
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Graph Construction



graph-based mask matrix → Self-attention in BERT

$$G_{ij} = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if token } j \text{ is the related context of token } i \\ 0, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

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Fact Checking over Table: LogicalFactChecker

[Zhong et al. ACL'20]

Model	Label Acc. (%)	
	Val	Test
LogicalFactChecker	71.83	71.69
-w/o Graph Mask	70.06	70.13
-w/o Compositionality	69.62	69.61

Graph Mask is important

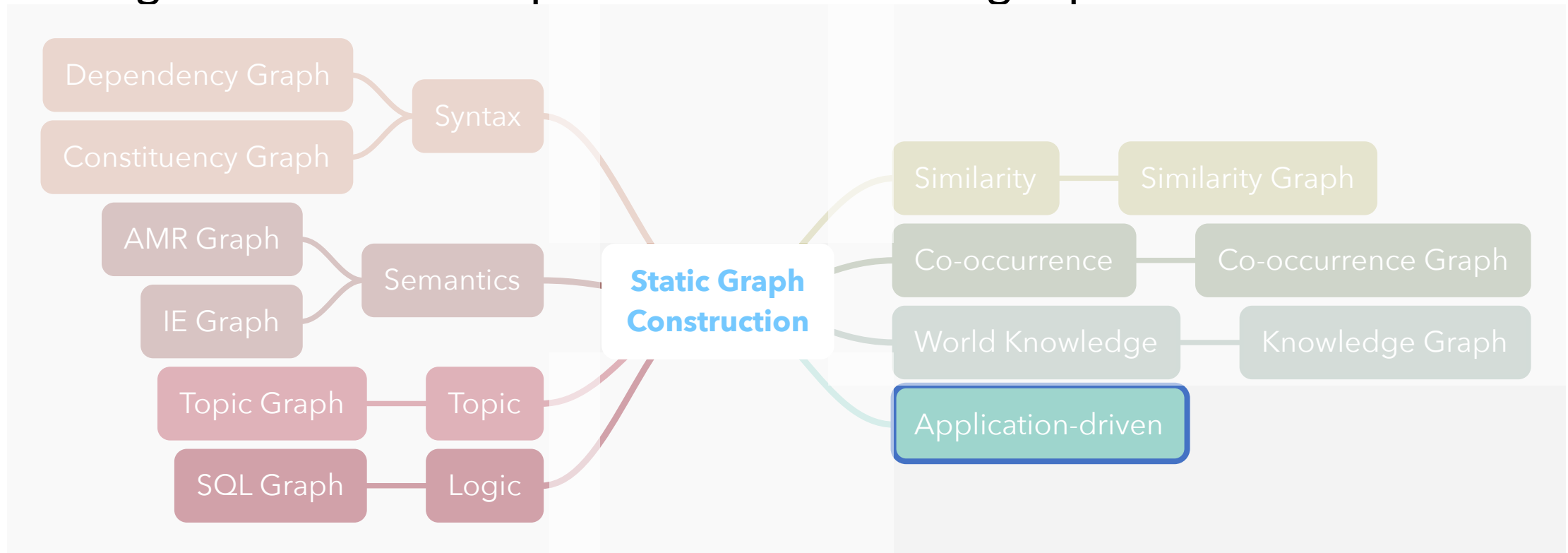
Table 2: Ablation studies on the development set and the test set.

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Summary

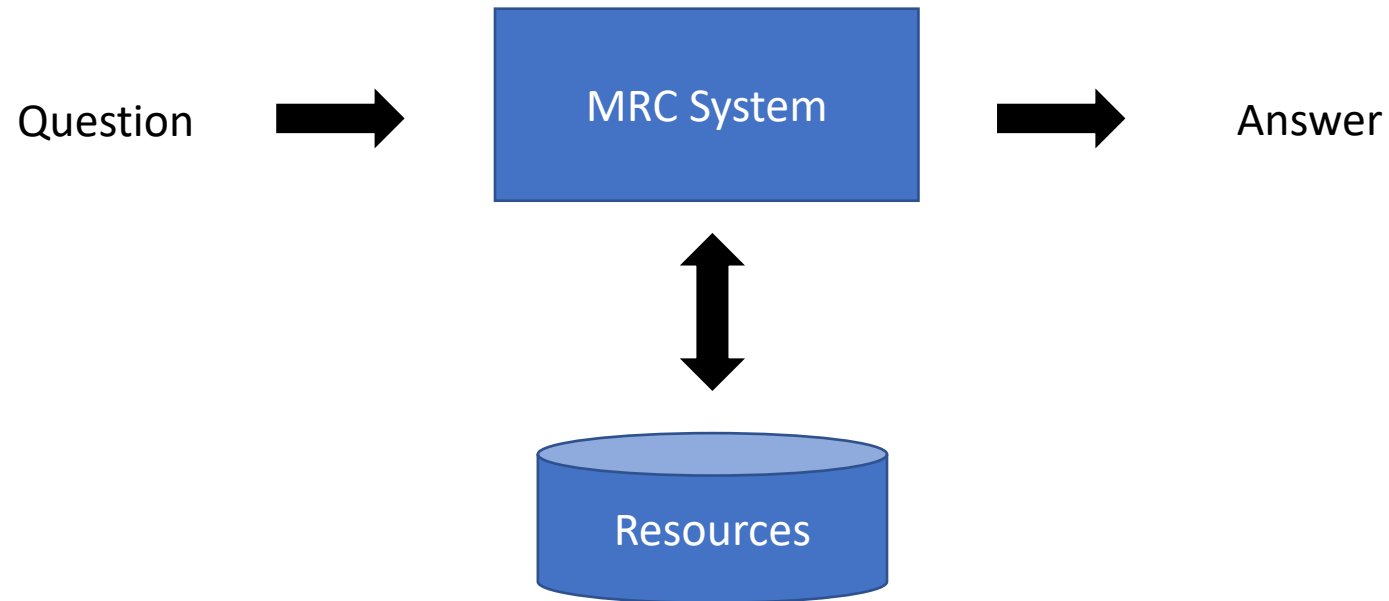
GNN better captures:

- Global constraints / related context (e.g. schema and questions)
- Alignment between questions and meaning representations.

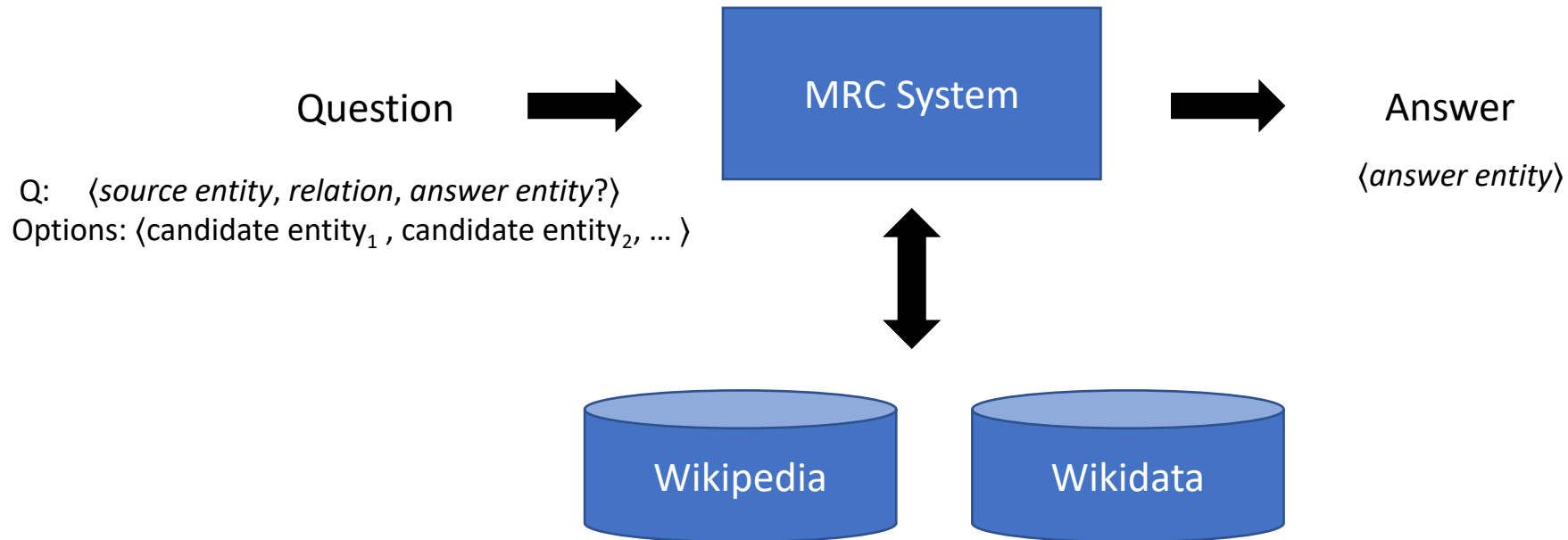


Machine Reading Comprehension

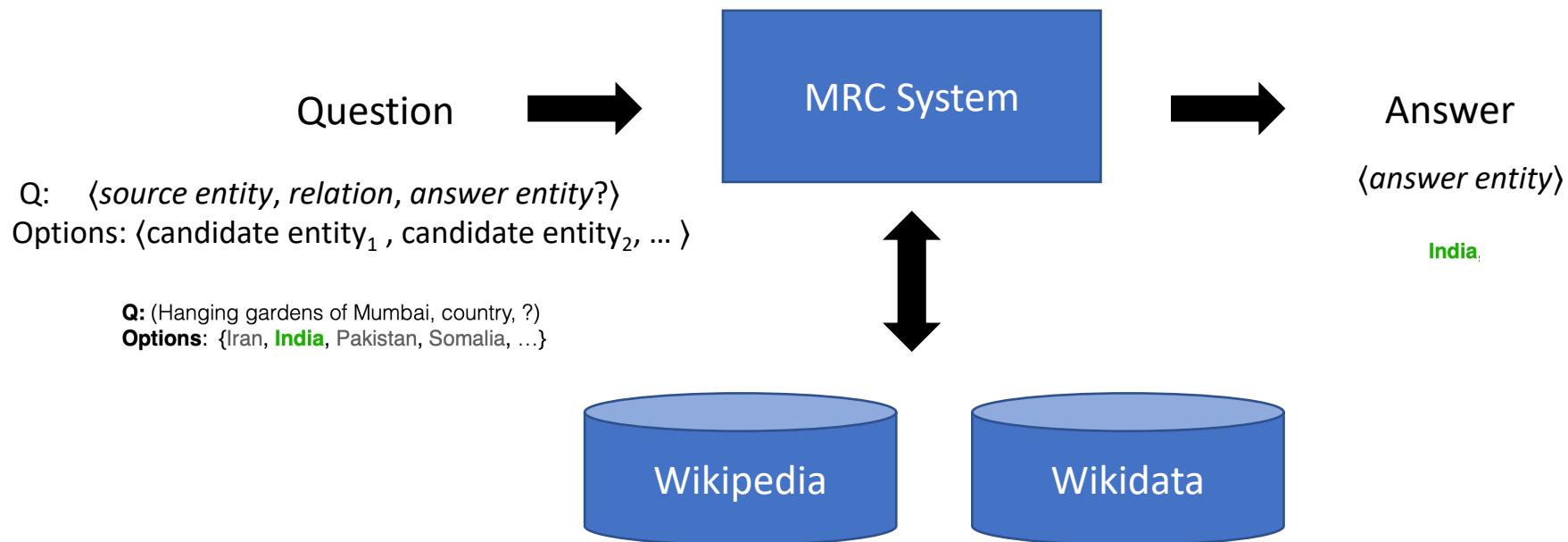
Machine Reading Comprehension (MRC)



Multi-Hop Reading Comprehension: WikiHop



Multi-Hop Reading Comprehension: WikiHop



The Hanging Gardens, in **[Mumbai]**, also known as Pherozeshah Mehta Gardens, are terraced gardens ... They provide sunset views over the **[Arabian Sea]** ...

Mumbai (also known as Bombay, the official name until 1995) is the capital city of the Indian state of Maharashtra. It is the most populous city in **India** ...

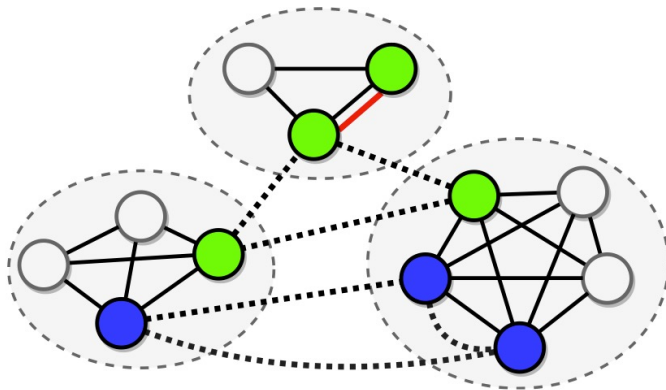
The **Arabian Sea** is a region of the northern Indian Ocean bounded on the north by **Pakistan** and **Iran**, on the west by northeastern **Somalia** and the Arabian Peninsula, and on the east by **India** ...

A WikiHop Example

Multi-hop Reading Comprehension across Multiple Documents

[Cao et al. NAACL'19]

One of the first paper leveraging GNN for multi-hop reading comprehension

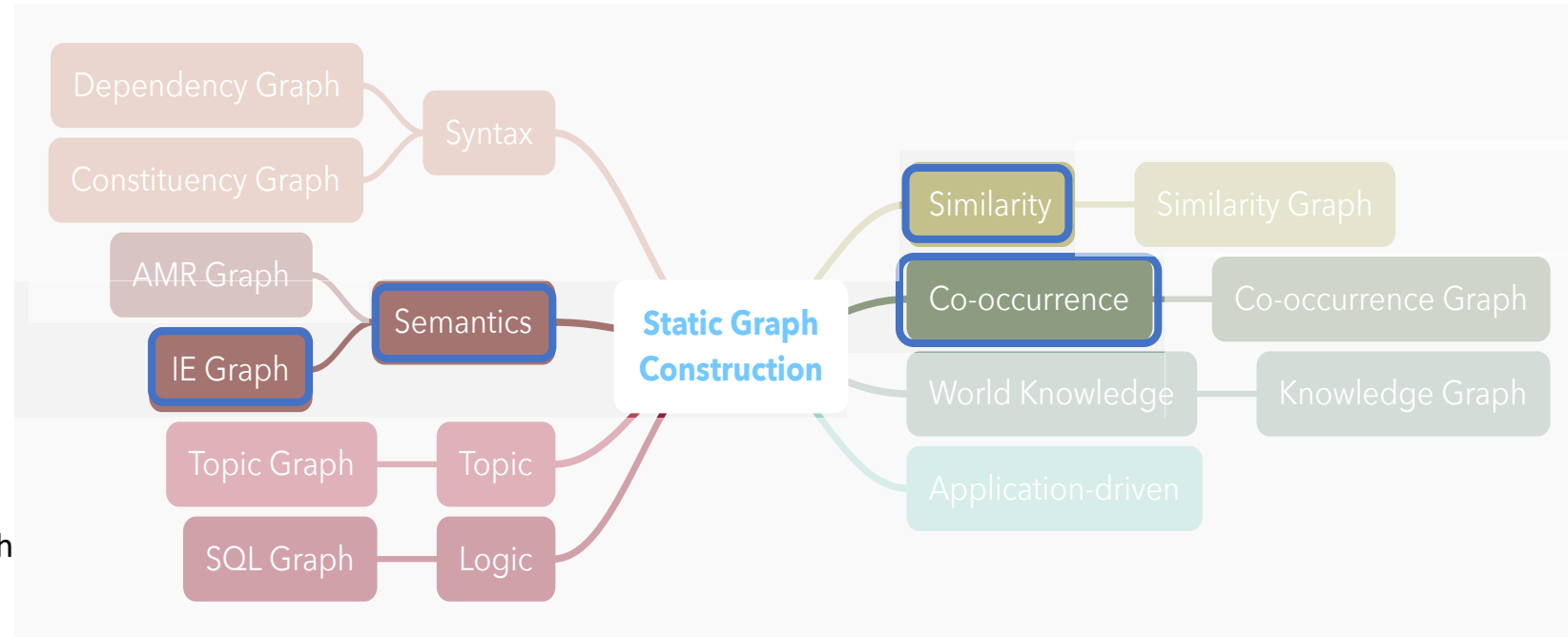


Entity Graph

Note: Unambiguous mentions identified via exact match coreference

Edges

- **DOC-BASED:** co-occurrence in the same document
- **MATCH:** exact match (*most reliable but sparser*)
- **COREF:** co-reference (*less reliable*)
- COMPLEMENT:** for nodes not connected otherwise



Cao et al. **Question Answering by Reasoning Across Documents with Graph Convolutional Networks.** NAACL'19.

Multi-hop Reading Comprehension across Multiple Documents

[Cao et al. NAACL'19]

$$\mathbf{u}_i^{(\ell)} = f_s(\mathbf{h}_i^{(\ell)}) + \frac{1}{|N_i|} \sum_{j \in N_i} \sum_{r \in R_{ij}} f_r(\mathbf{h}_j^{(\ell)})$$

The update vector (\mathbf{u}) of a node is a function of its neighbours (N) conditioned on the relations between them

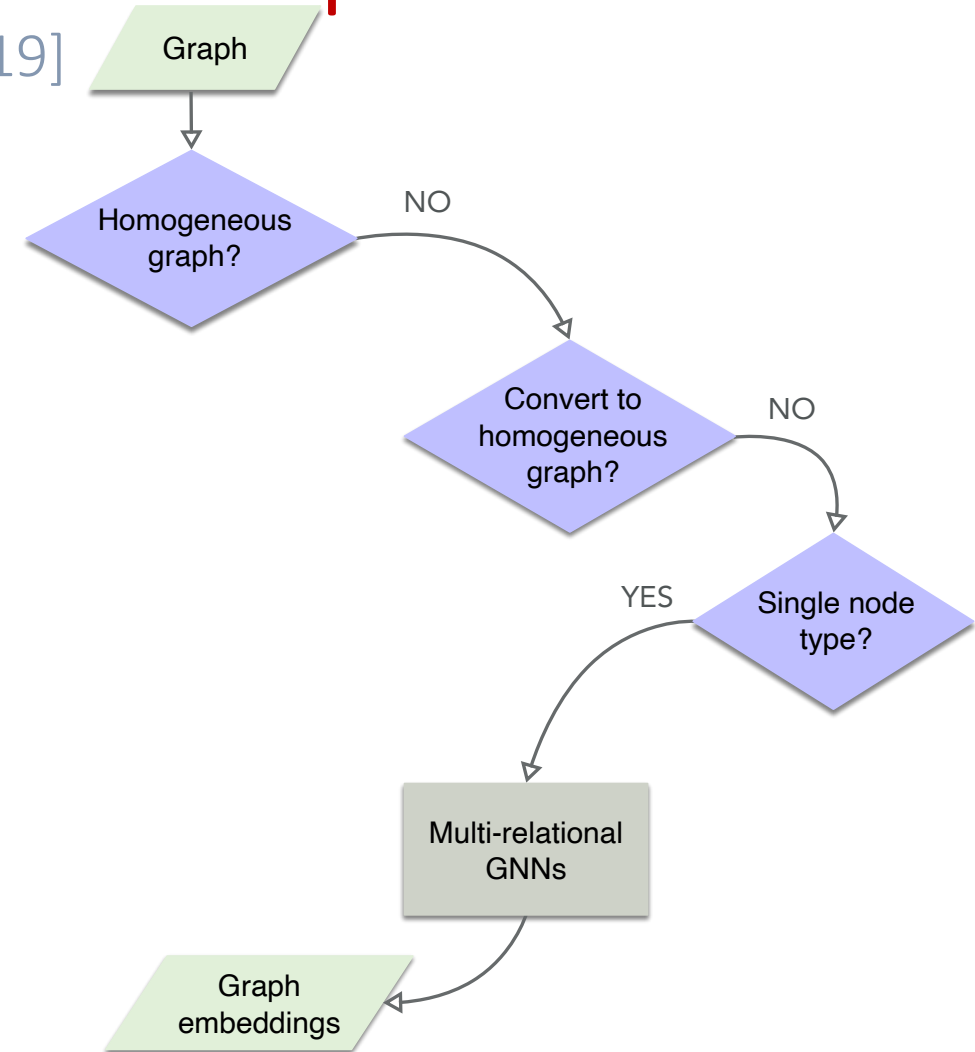
$$\mathbf{a}_i^{(\ell)} = \sigma \left(f_a \left([\mathbf{u}_i^{(\ell)}, \mathbf{h}_i^{(\ell)}] \right) \right)$$

attention gate

$$\mathbf{h}_i^{(\ell+1)} = \phi(\mathbf{u}_i^{(\ell)}) \odot \mathbf{a}_i^{(\ell)} + \mathbf{h}_i^{(\ell)} \odot (1 - \mathbf{a}_i^{(\ell)})$$

the new node embedding

**Entity Relational Graph
Convolutional Network**



Cao et al. Question Answering by Reasoning Across Documents with Graph Convolutional Networks. NAACL'19.

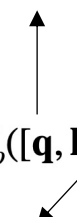
Multi-hop Reading Comprehension across Multiple Documents

[Cao et al. NAACL'19]

$$P(c | q, C_q, S_q) \propto \exp \left(\max_{i \in M_c} f_o([\mathbf{q}, \mathbf{h}_i^{(L)}]) \right)$$

question representation

final node embedding



Candidates scoring

2-layers MLP

use the final node embeddings and the question representation to predict a distribution over candidates.

Multi-hop Reading Comprehension across Multiple Documents

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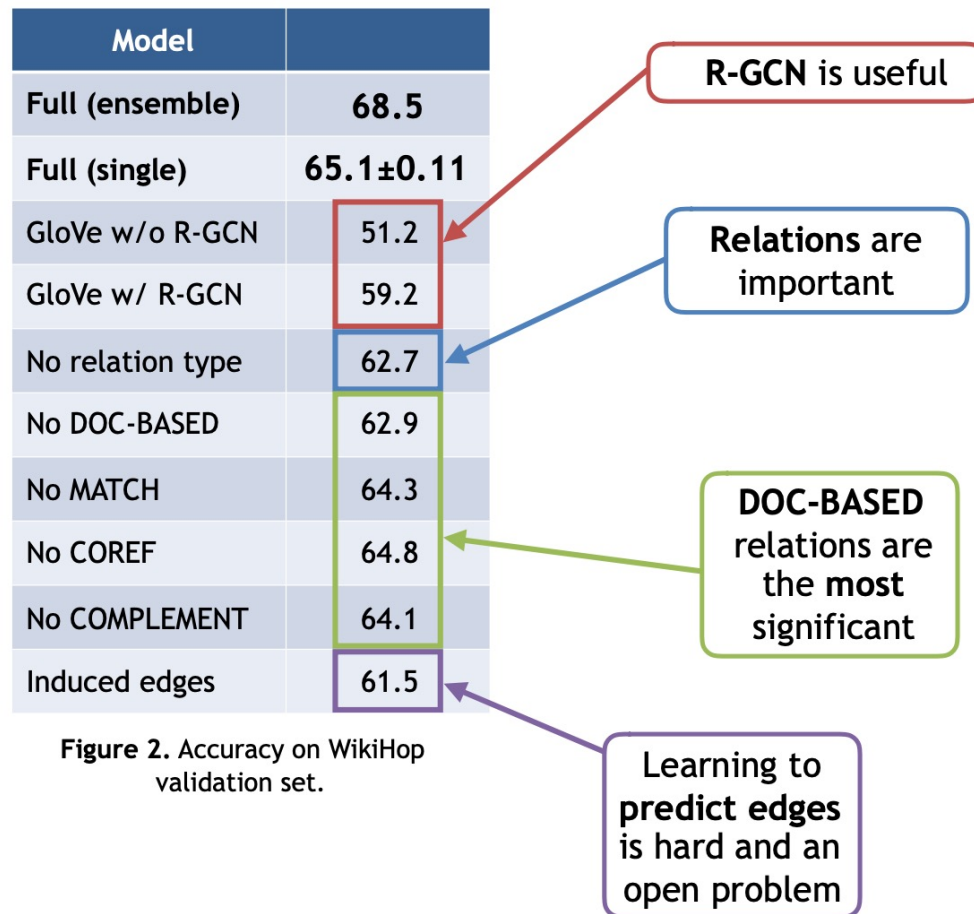


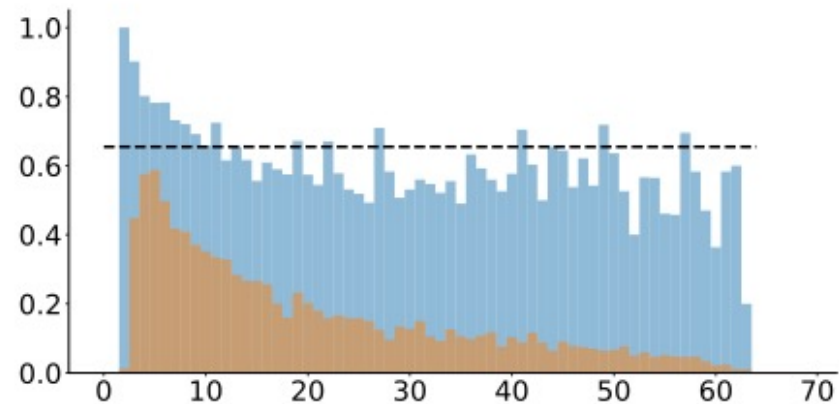
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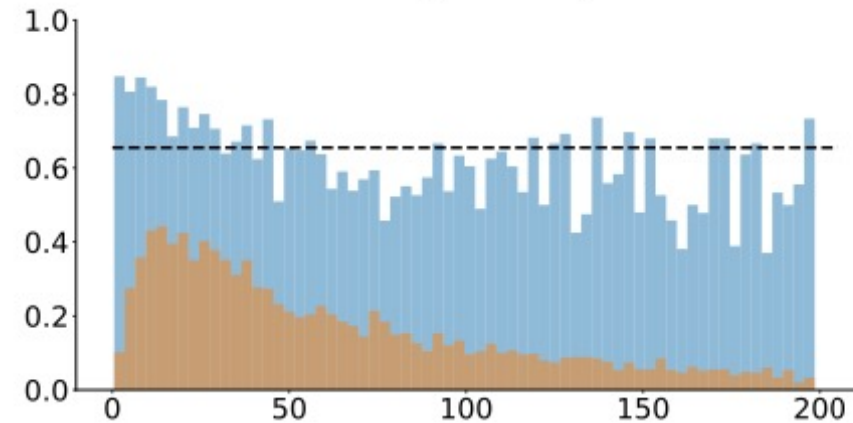
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Performance gradually ↓ as # candidates or # nodes ↑



(a) Candidates set size (x-axis) and accuracy (y-axis). Pearson's correlation of -0.687 ($p < 10^{-7}$).

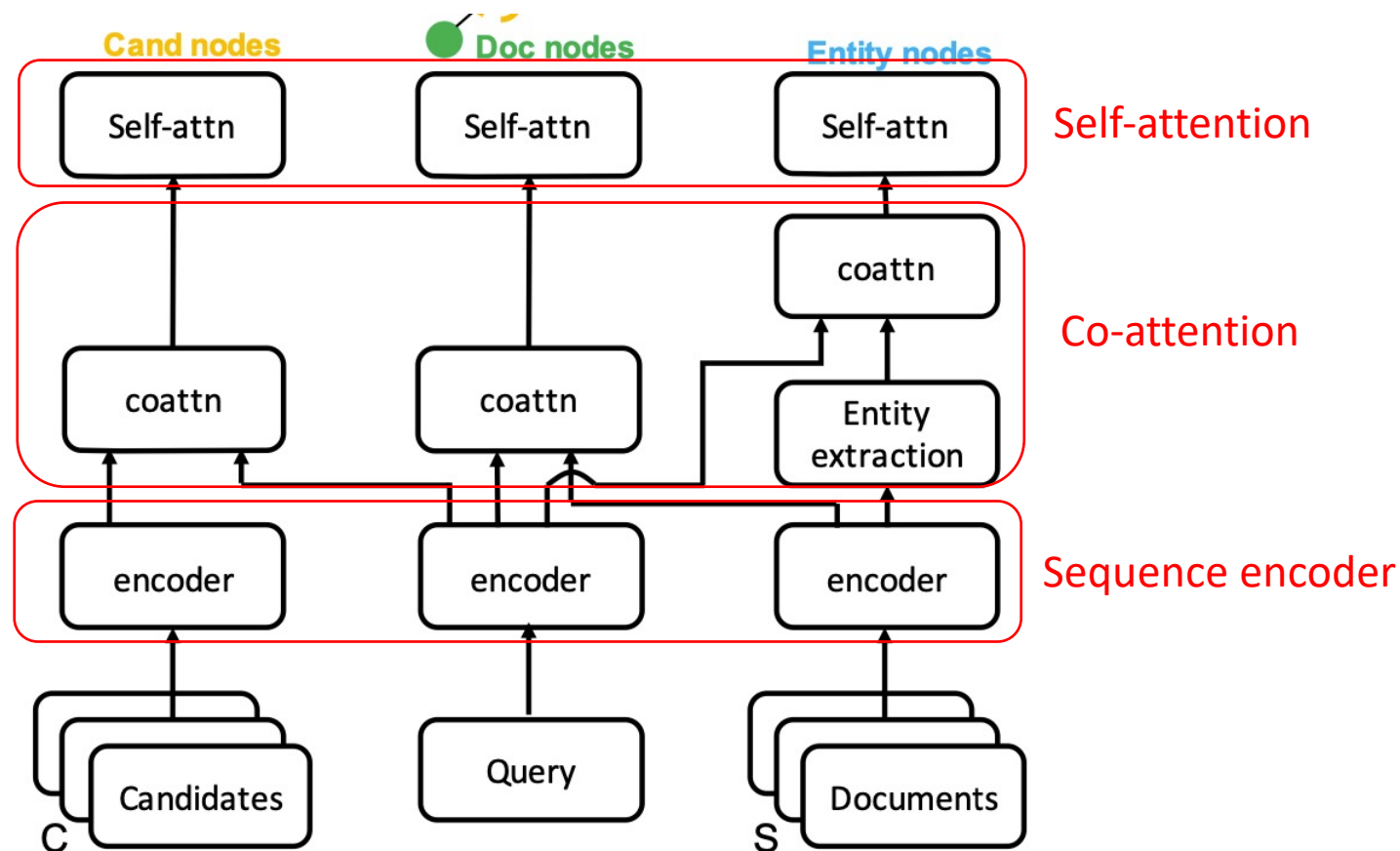


(b) Nodes set size (x-axis) and accuracy (y-axis). Pearson's correlation of -0.385 ($p < 10^{-7}$).

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Document & **Candidate**: if the candidate appear in the document

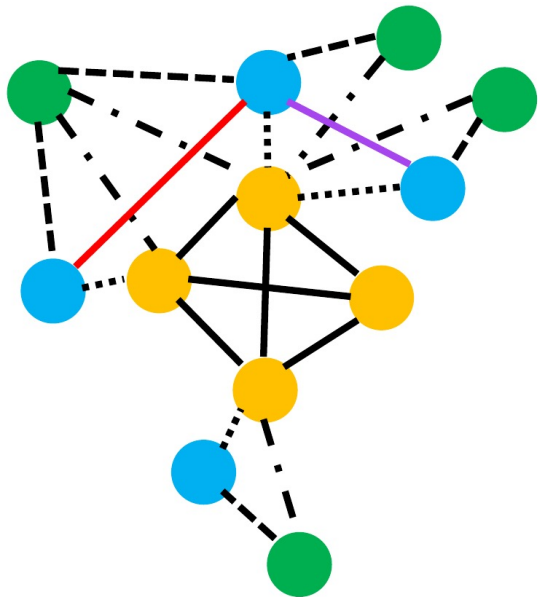
Document & **Entity**: If the entity if extracted from the document

Candidate & **Entity**: If the entity if a mention of the candidate

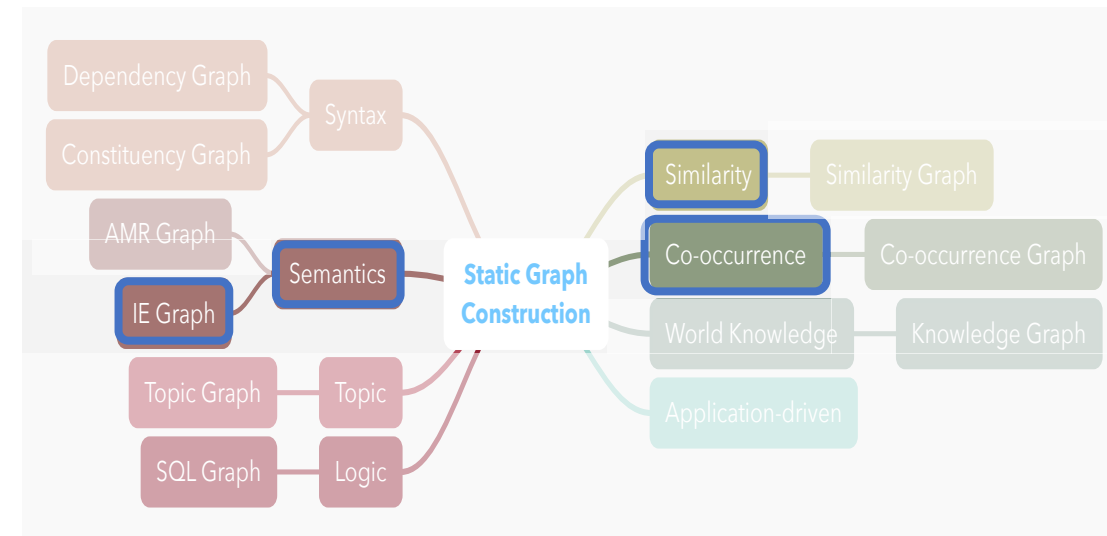
Entity & **Entity**: If they are extracted from the same document

Entity & **Entity**: If they are extracted mentions of the same candidate or query subjects from different documents

Entity & **Entity**: other pairs of entities



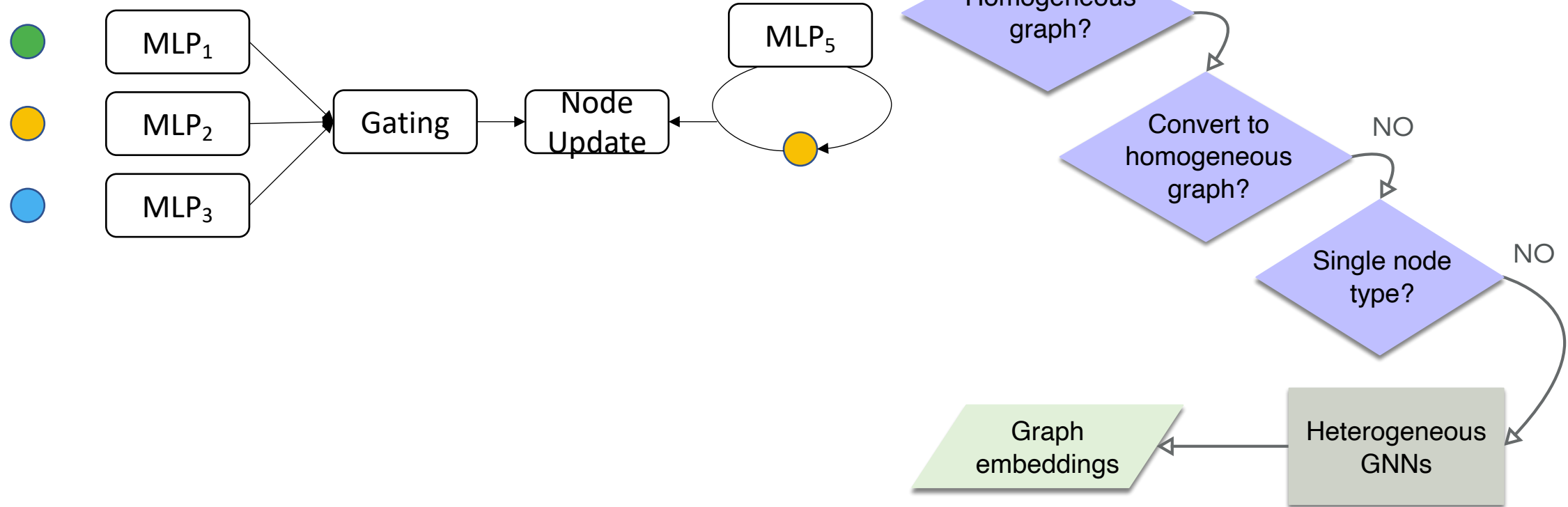
Heterogeneous Document-Entity Graph



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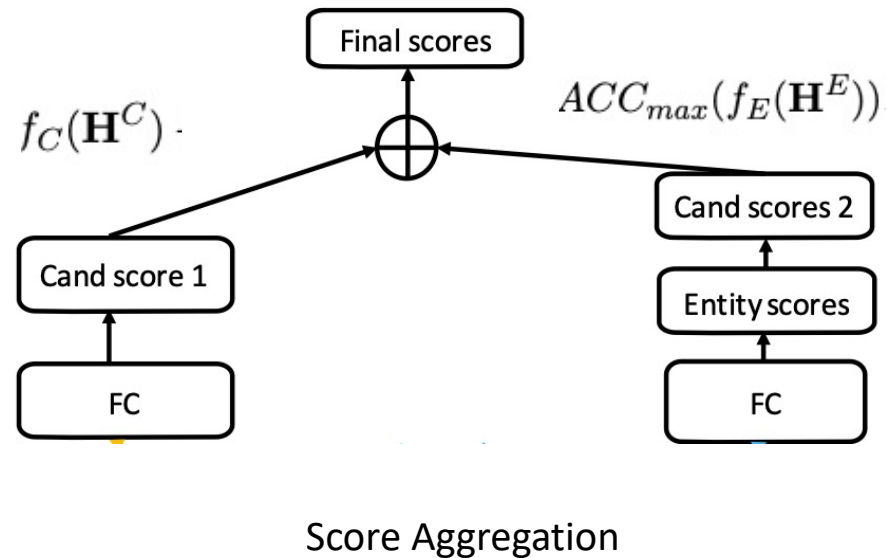
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takes the maximum over scores of entities that belong to the same candidate.

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Multi-hop Reading Comprehension across Multiple Documents

Model	Accuracy (%)	
	Dev	Δ
Full model	68.1	-
- HDE graph	65.5	2.6
- different edge types	66.7	1.4
- candidate nodes scores	67.1	1.0
- entity nodes scores	66.6	1.5
- candidate nodes	66.2	1.9
- document nodes	67.6	0.5
- entity nodes	63.6	4.5

HDE graph is effective

Edge types are important

Entity node scores are more important

Entity nodes are the most important

Table 2: Ablation results on the WIKIHOP dev set.

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Performance ↓ as # support documents or # candidates ↑

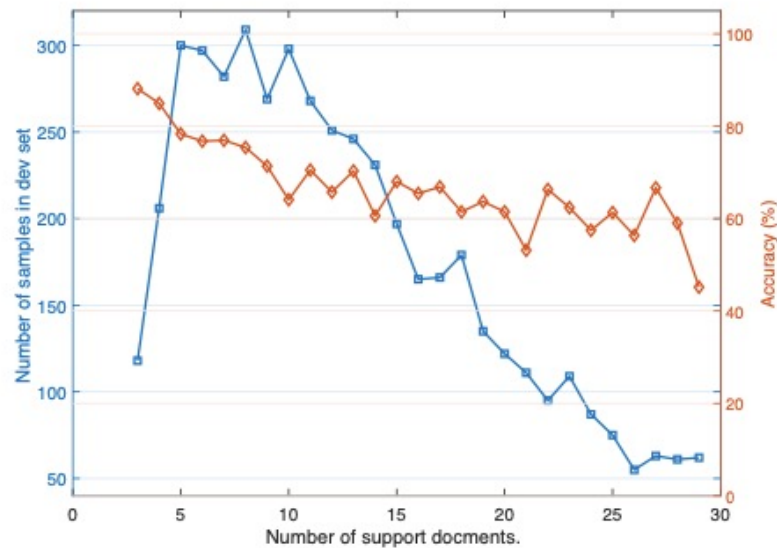


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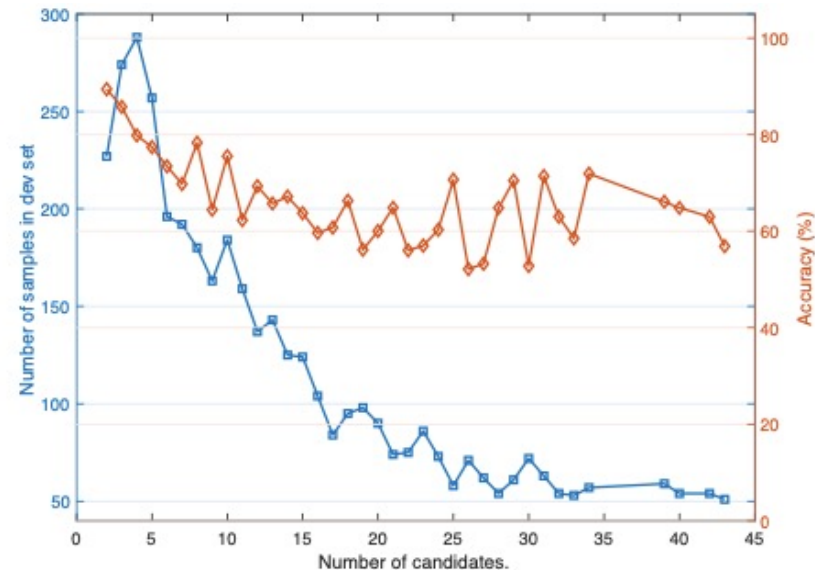
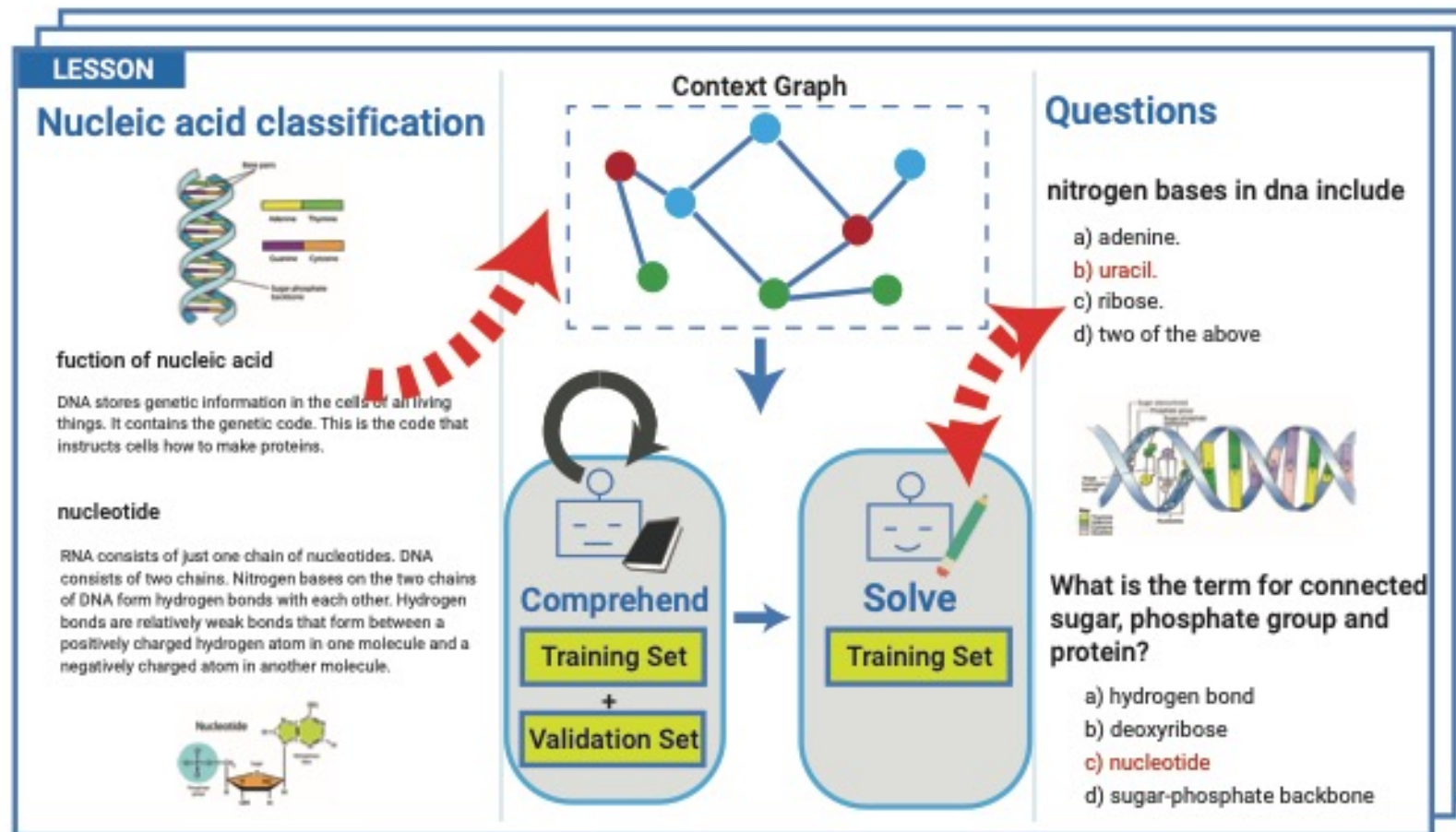


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TQA: Textbook Question Answering

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Textbook Question Answering

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- Key challenges:
 - Multi-modality
 - Long context
 - Difficulty to solve unseen problems

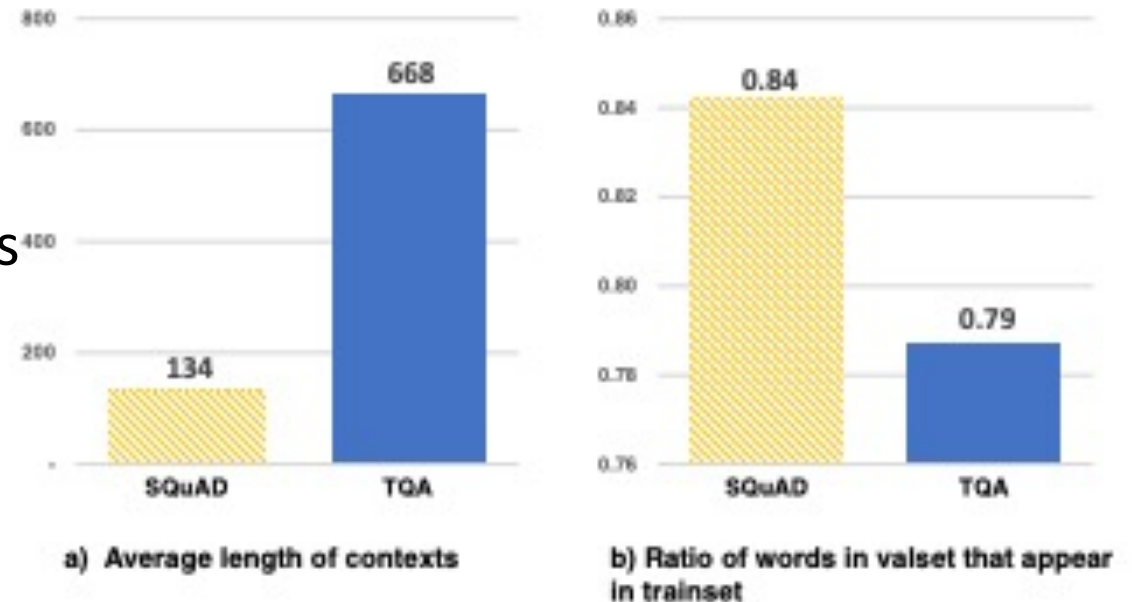
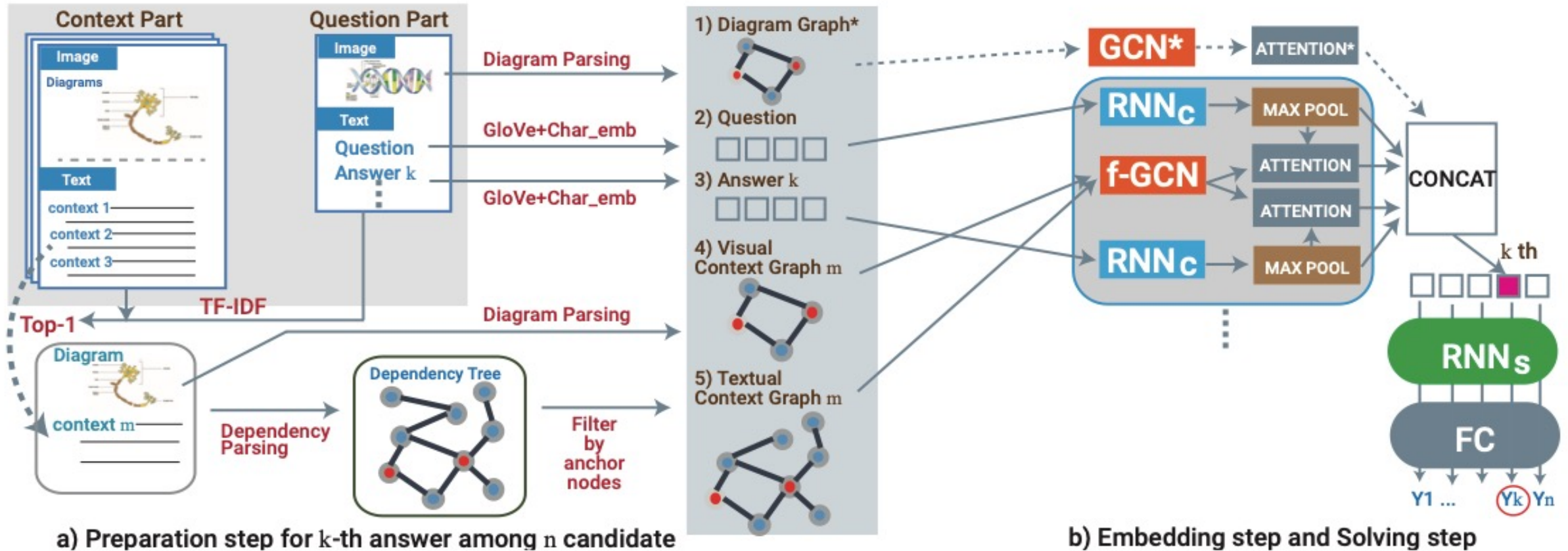


Figure 2: Analysis of contexts in TQA and SQuAD datasets.

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Textbook Question Answering

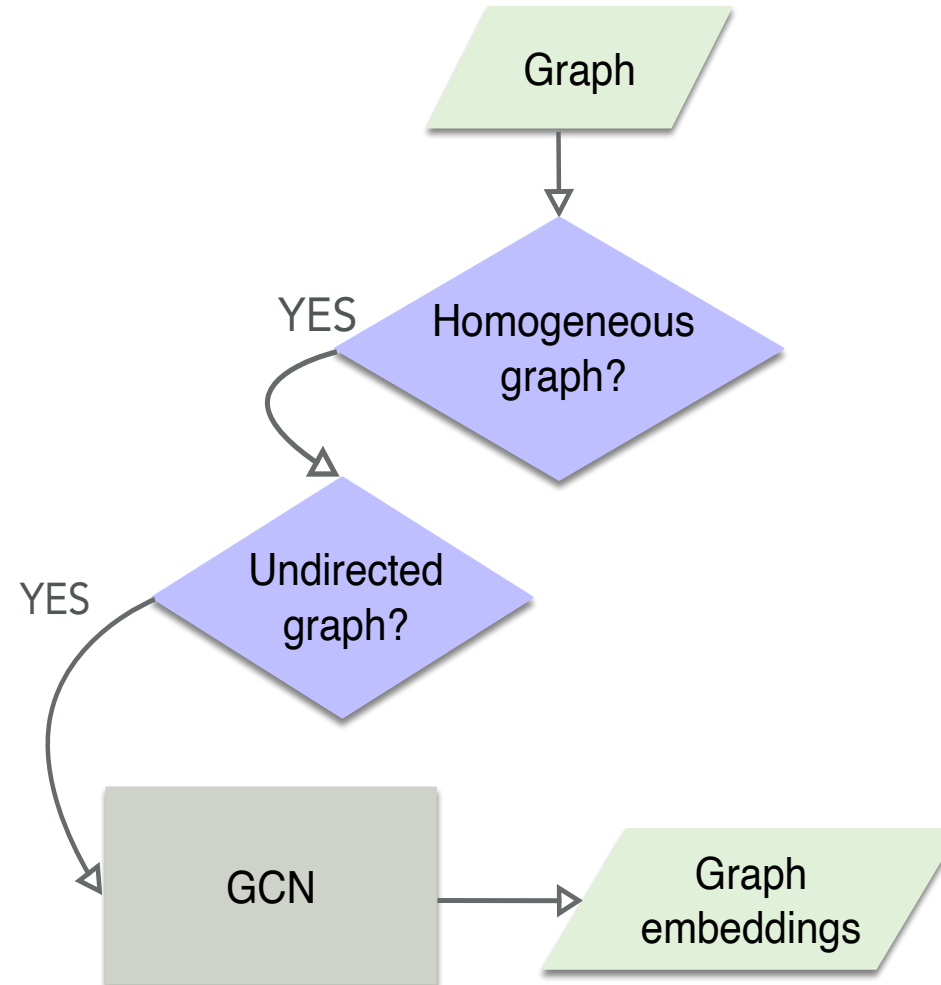
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TQA: Textbook Question Answering

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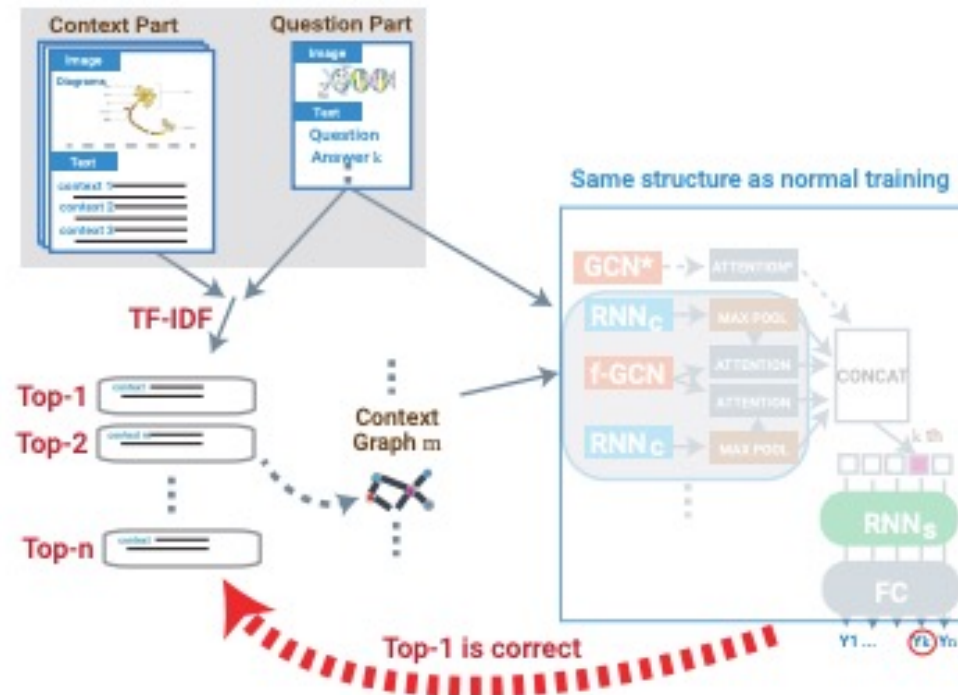


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TQA: Textbook Question Answering

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- Self-training: reads and understands a textbook and problems in advance.



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Our full model

w/o SSOC(VAL)

w/o SSOC(TR+VAL)

w/o f-GCN & SSOC(TR+VAL)

45.77

45.39

43.97

42.74

**Self-training, even only
on training, is useful**

**Context Graph is
effective**

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Conversational Machine Comprehension

[Chen et al, IJCAI'20]

Jessica went to sit in her rocking chair. Today was her birthday and she was turning 80. Her granddaughter Annie was coming over in the afternoon and Jessica was very excited to see her. Her daughter Melanie and Melanie's husband Josh were coming as well. Jessica had ...

Q₁ : Who had a birthday?
A₁ : Jessica
R₁ : Jessica went to sit in her rocking chair. Today was her birthday and she was turning 80.

Q₂ : How old would she be?
A₂ : 80
R₂ : she was turning 80

Q₃ : Did she plan to have any visitors?
A₃ : Yes
R₃ : Her granddaughter Annie was coming over

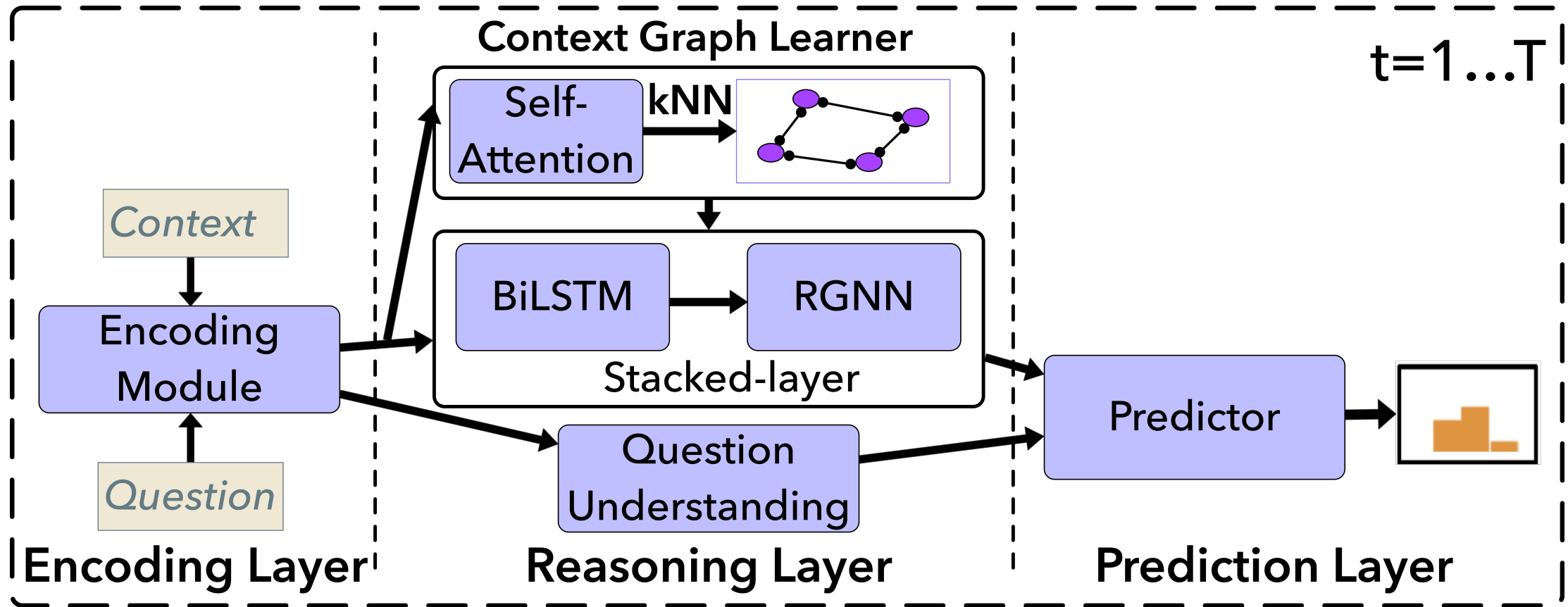
Q₄ : How many?
A₄ : Three
R₄ : Her granddaughter Annie was coming over in the afternoon and Jessica was very excited to see her. Her daughter Melanie and Melanie's husband Josh were coming as well.

Challenges:

- Focus shift
- Coreference or ellipsis

Conversational Machine Comprehension

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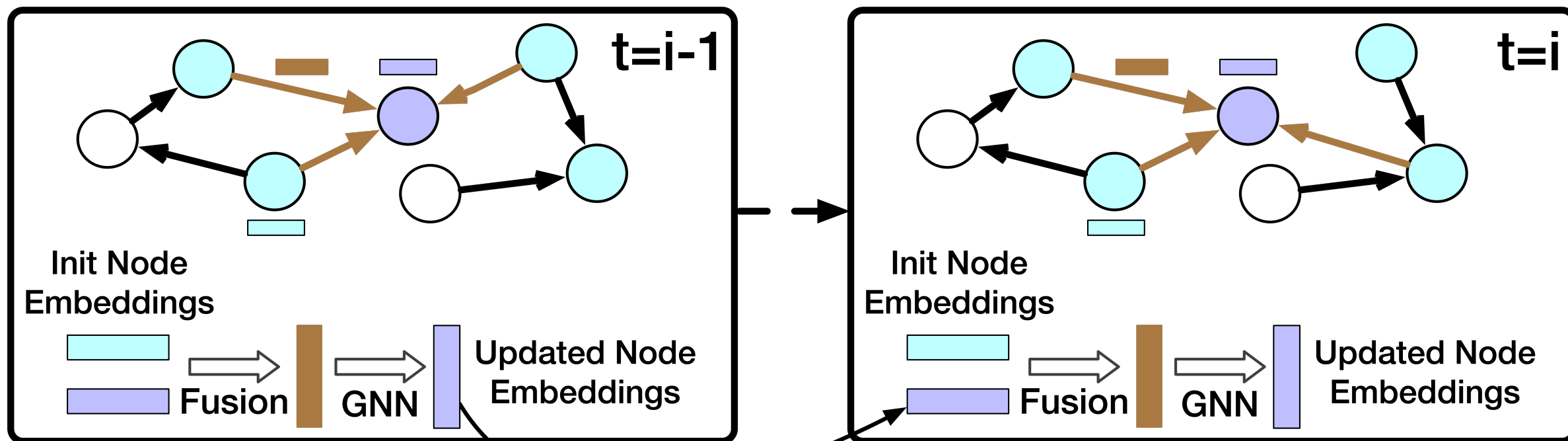


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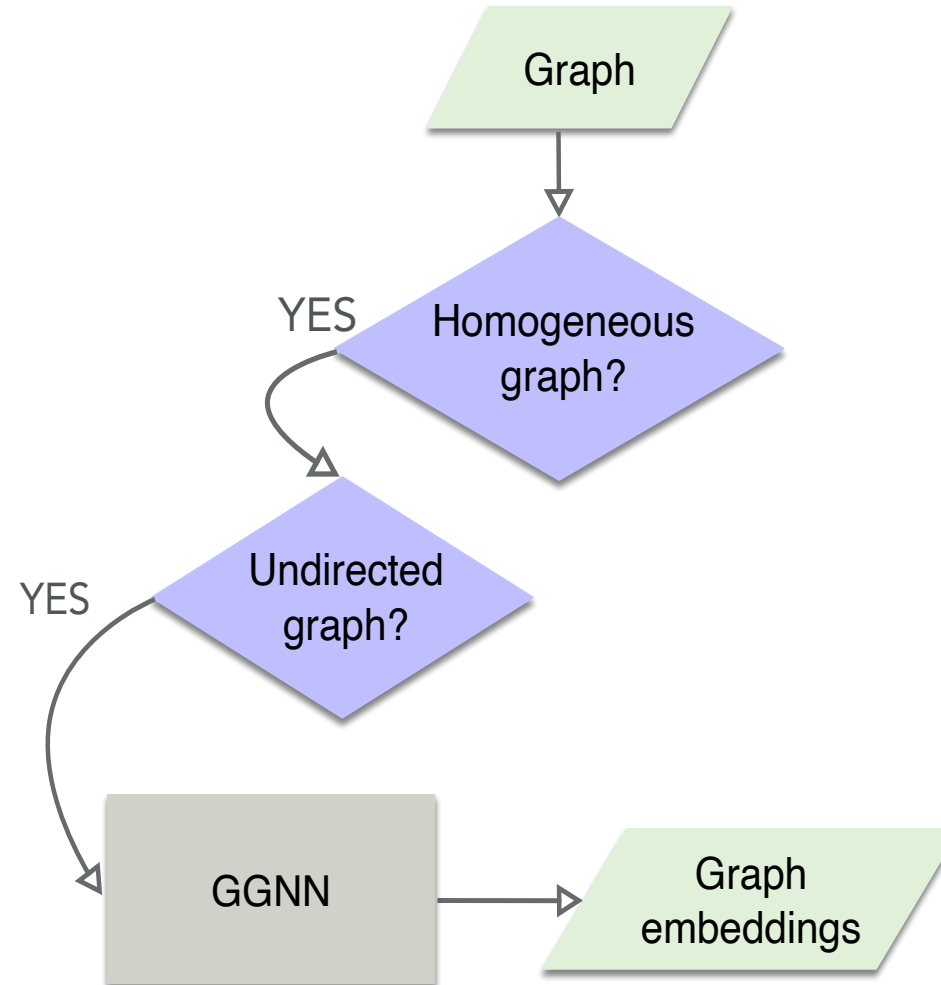
Dynamically construct a question and conversation history aware **context graph** at each turn.



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GraphFlow's **focus shifts** between consecutive question turns.

Q1: Who went to the farm? -> Q2: Why?

Billy went to the farm to buy some beef for his brother 's birthday . When he arrived there he saw that all six of the cows were sad and had brown spots . The cows were all eating their breakfast in a big grassy meadow . He thought that the spots looked very strange so he went closer to the cows to get a better look ...

Q2: Why? -> Q3: For what?

Billy went to the farm to buy some beef for his brother 's birthday . When he arrived there ... After Billy got a good look at the cows he went to the farmer to buy some beef . The farmer gave him four pounds of beef for ten dollars . Billy thought that ...

Q3: For what? -> Q4: How many cows did he see there?

Billy went to the farm to buy some beef for his brother 's birthday . When he arrived there he saw that all six of the cows were sad and had brown spots . The cows were ...

Q4: How many cows did he see there? -> Q5: Did they have spots?

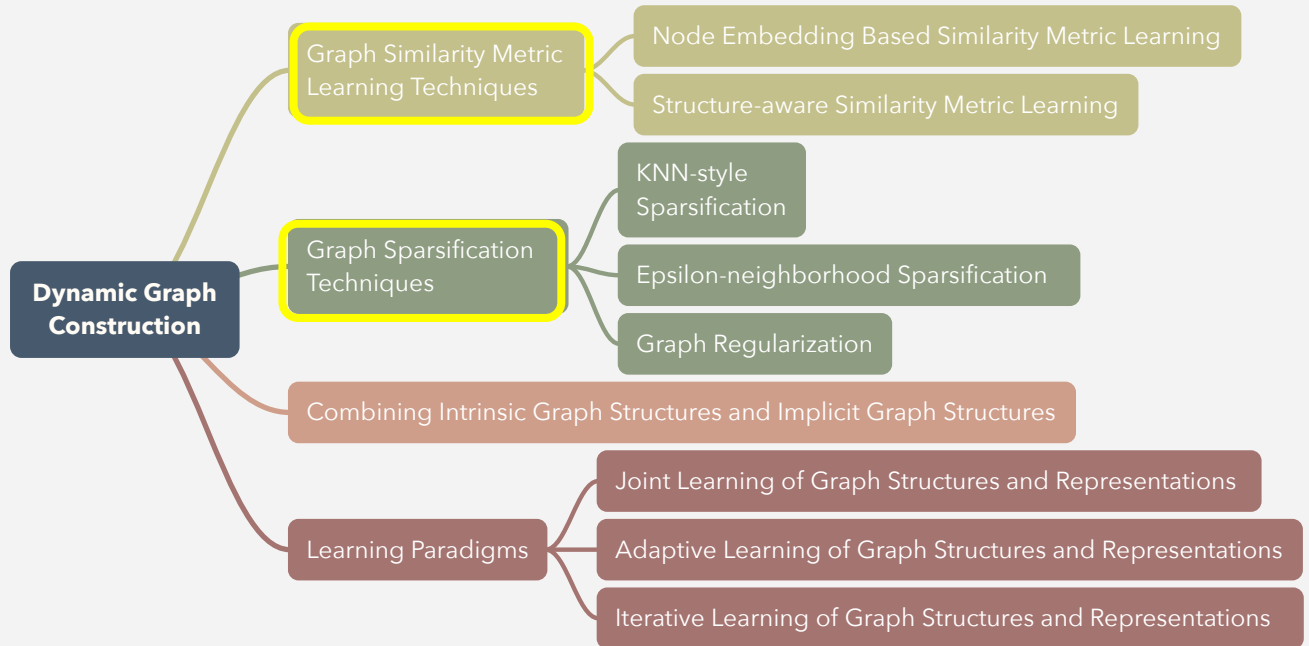
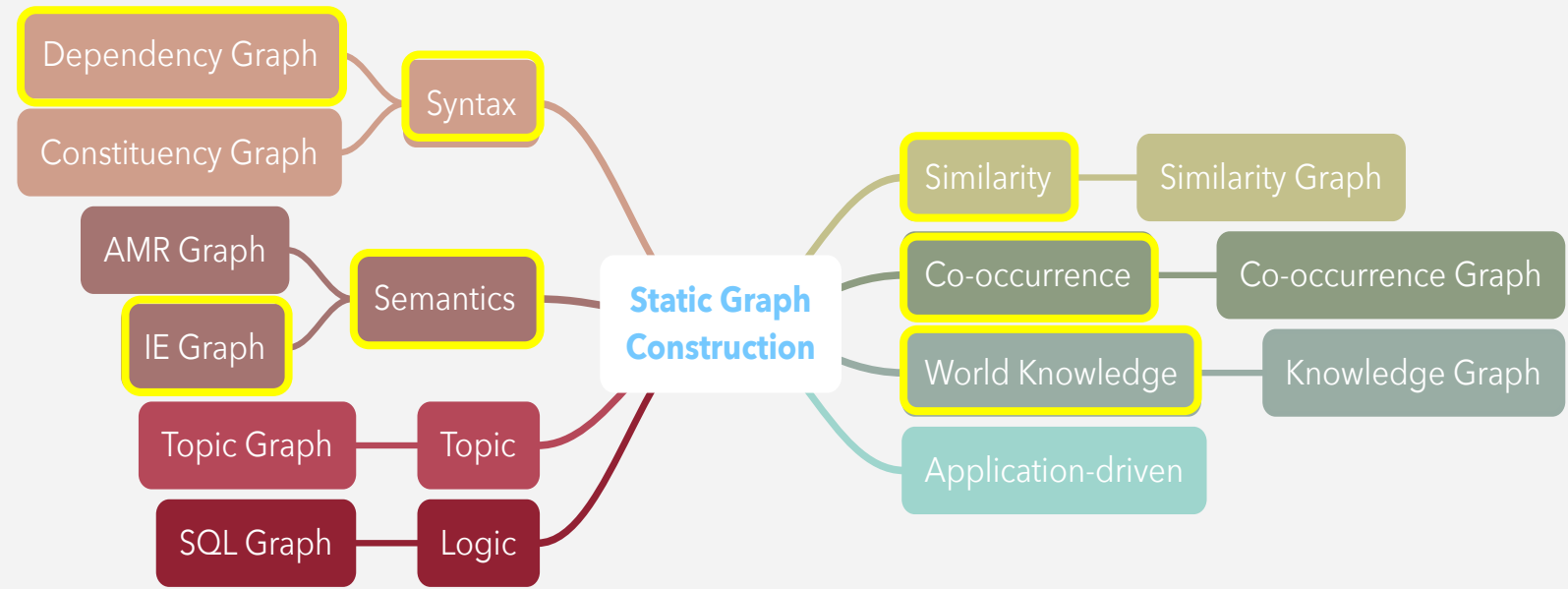
Billy went to ... When he arrived there he saw that all six of the cows were sad and had brown spots . The cows were all eating ...

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Summary

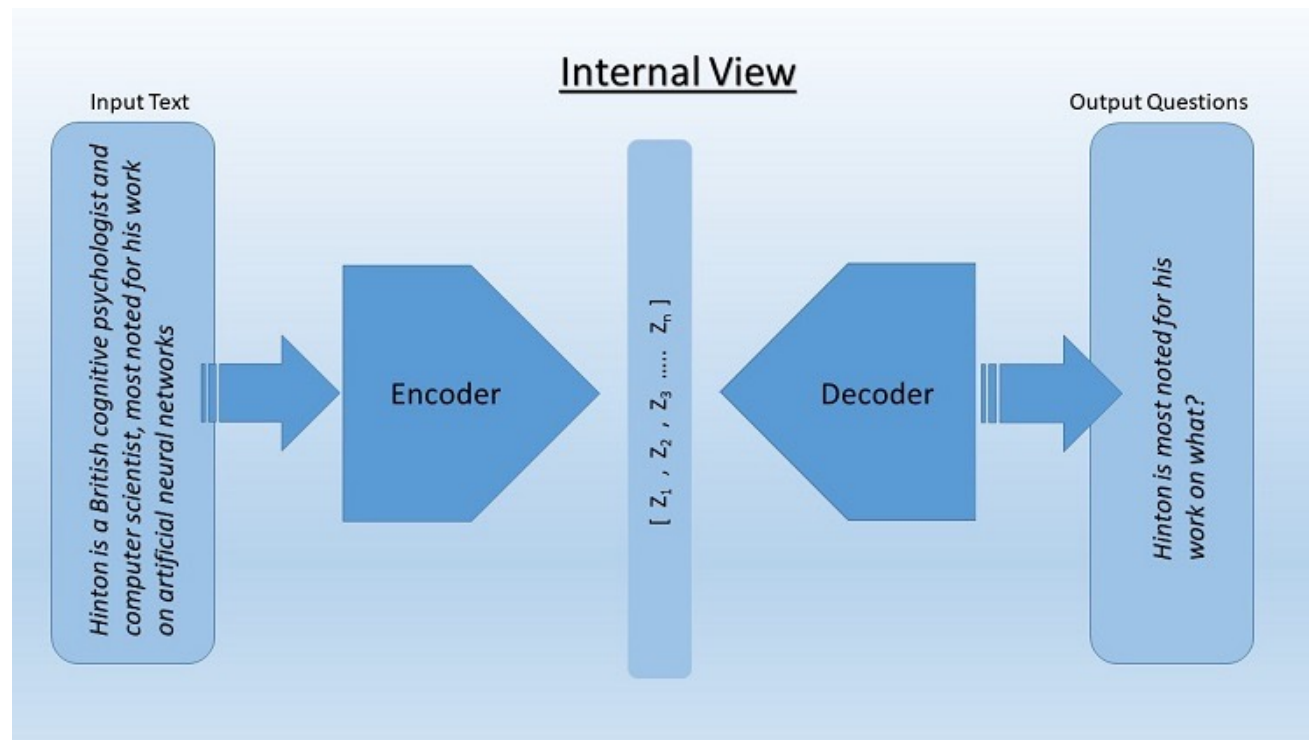
GNN enables:

- Multi-hop reasoning
- Encode heterogenous information



Natural Language Generation Machine Translation

Natural Question Generation



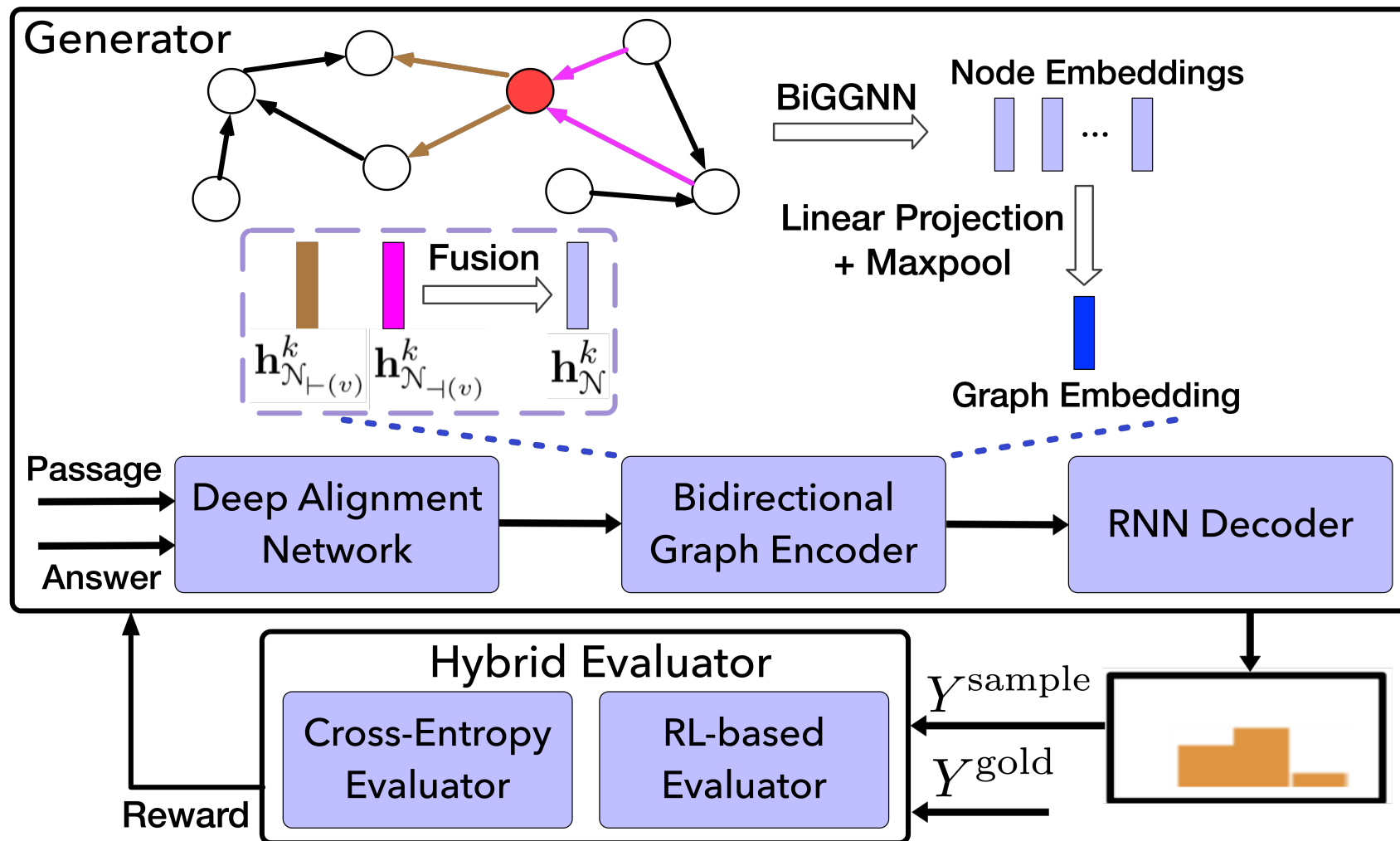
- Input
 - A text passage $X^p = \{x_1^p, x_2^p, \dots, x_N^p\}$
 - A target answer $X^a = \{x_1^a, x_2^a, \dots, x_L^a\}$
- Output
 - A natural language question

$$\hat{Y} = \{y_1, y_2, \dots, y_T\}$$

which maximizes the conditional likelihood

$$\hat{Y} = \arg \max_Y P(Y | X^p, X^a)$$

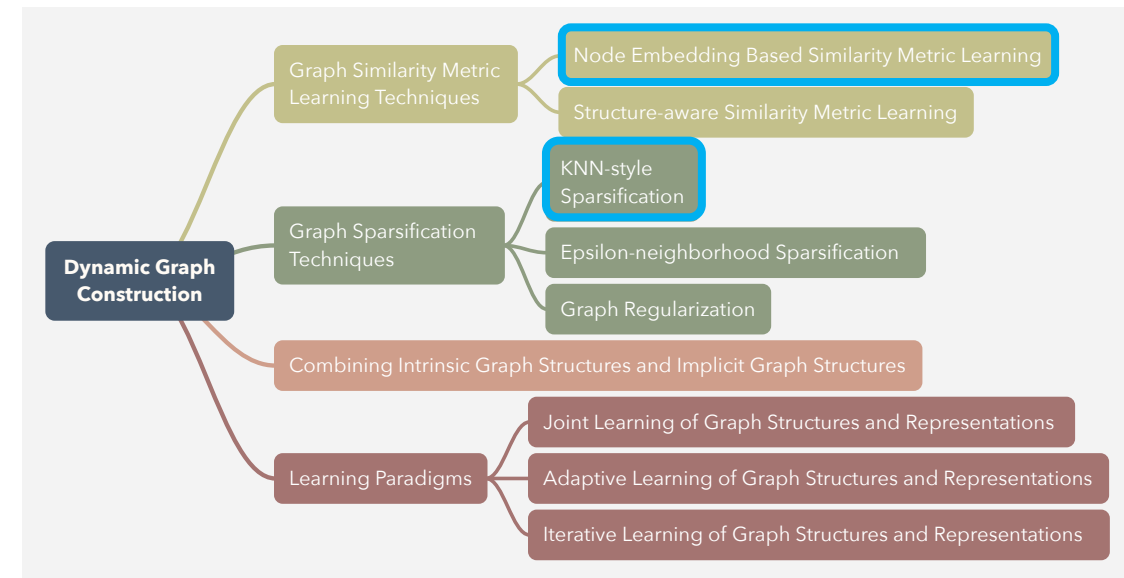
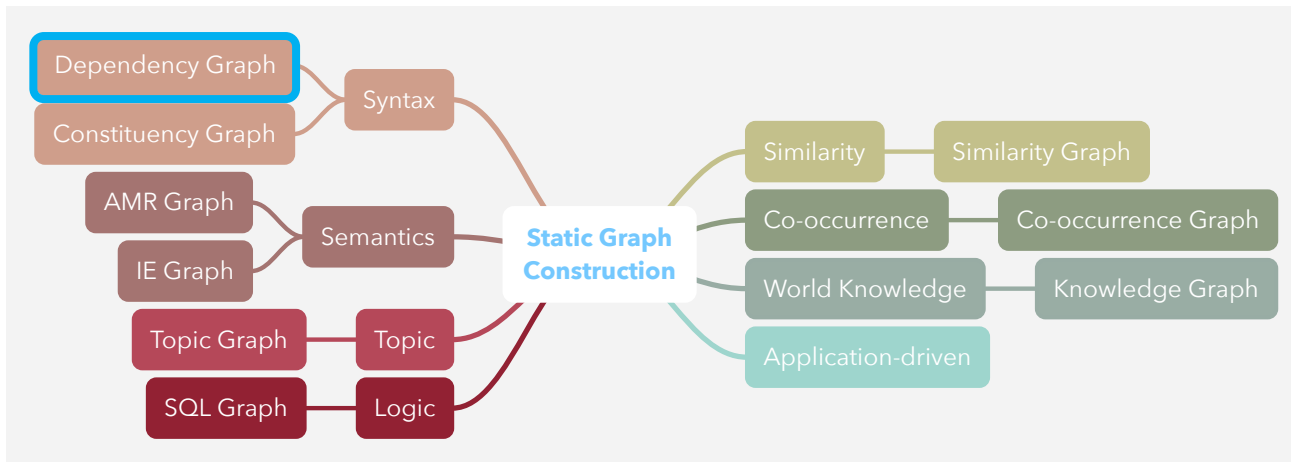
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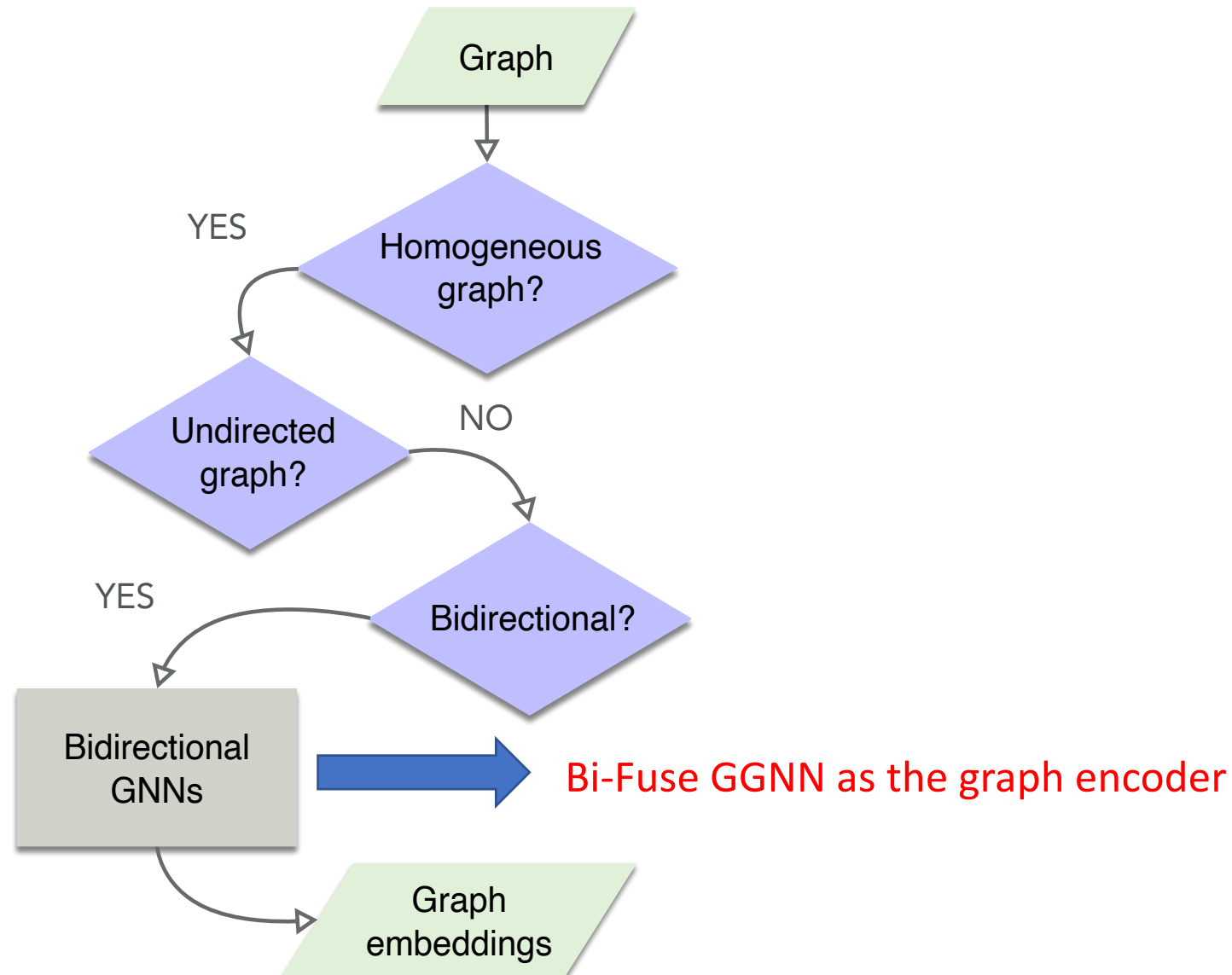
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Two graph construction strategies:

- 1) Syntax-based **static** passage graph construction
- 2) Semantics-aware **dynamic** passage graph construction



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Methods	BLEU-4	Methods	BLEU-4
G2S _{dyn} +BERT+RL	18.06	G2S _{dyn} w/o feat	16.51
G2S _{sta} +BERT+RL	18.30	G2S _{sta} w/o feat	16.65
G2S _{sta} +BERT-fixed+RL	18.20	G2S _{dyn} w/o DAN	12.58
G2S _{dyn} +BERT	17.56	G2S _{sta} w/o DAN	12.62
G2S _{sta} +BERT	18.02	G2S _{sta} w/ DAN-word only	15.92
G2S _{sta} +BERT-fixed	17.86	G2S _{sta} w/ DAN-contextual only	16.07
G2S _{dyn} +RL	17.18	G2S _{sta} w/ GGNN-forward	16.53
G2S _{sta} +RL	17.49	G2S _{sta} w/ GGNN-backward	16.75
G2S _{dyn}	16.81	G2S _{sta} w/o BiGGNN, w/ Seq2Seq	16.14
G2S _{sta}	16.96	G2S _{sta} w/o BiGGNN, w/ GCN	14.47

Bidirectional GNN performs better

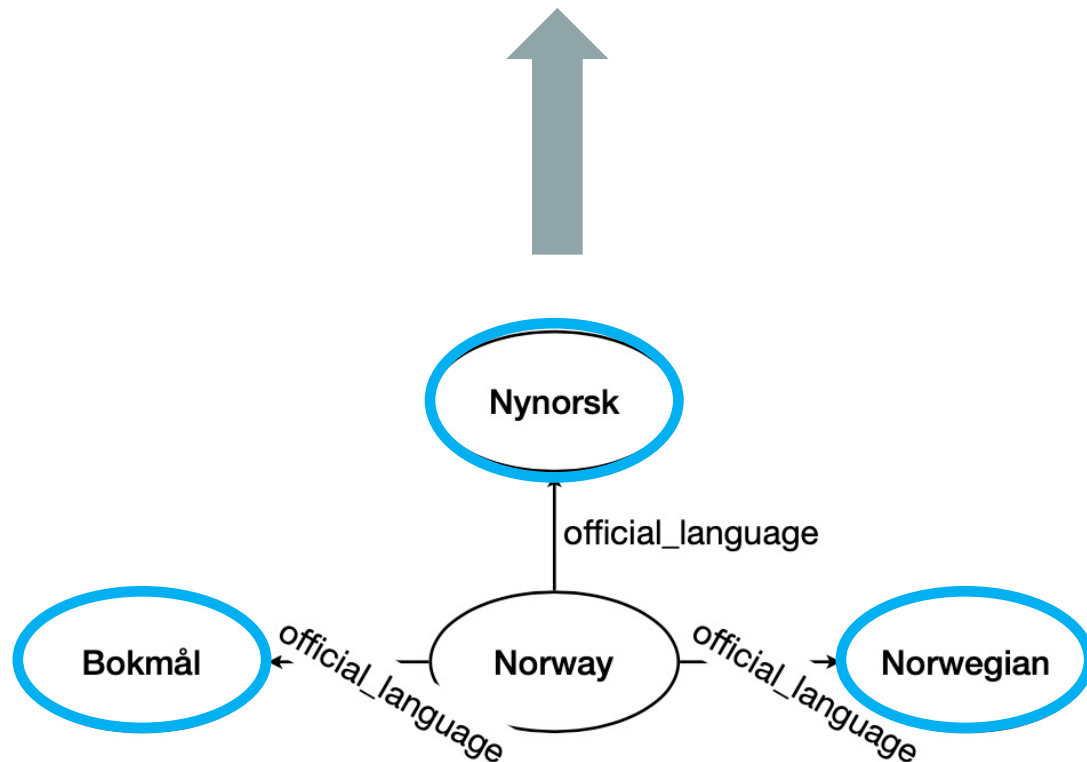
Graph2Seq performs better than Seq2Seq

Ablation study on the SQuAD split-2 test set.

Static graph construction performs slightly better

Natural Question Generation From KG

Q: What languages are spoken in Norway?



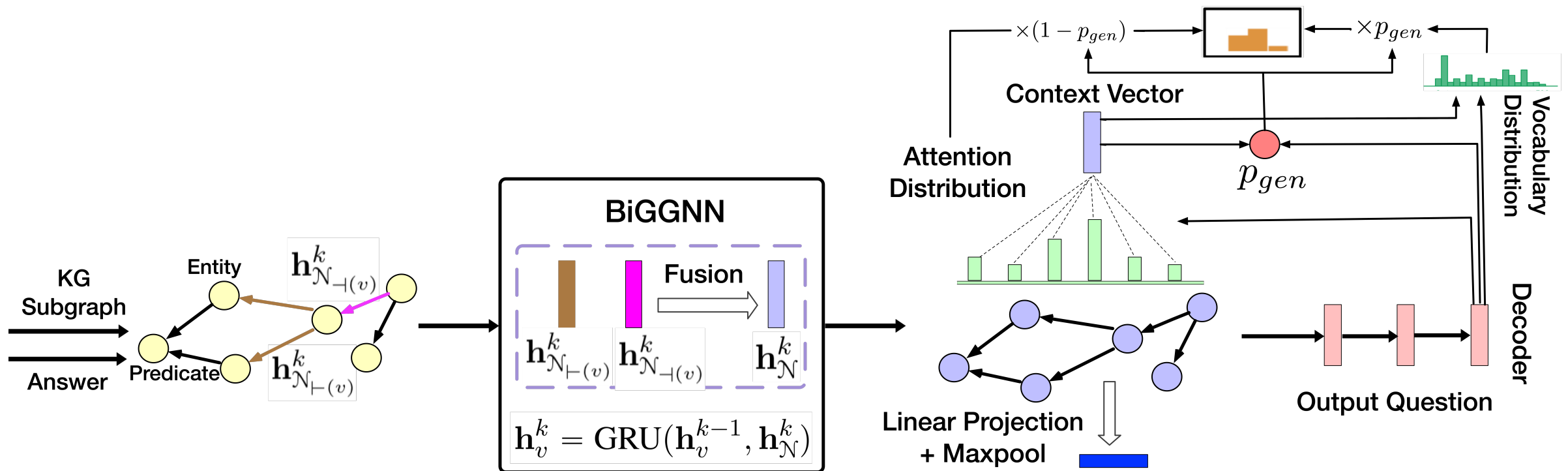
- Input
 - A KG subgraph \mathcal{G} (i.e., a collection of subject-predicate-object triples)
 - A target answer set V^a
- Output
 - A natural language question

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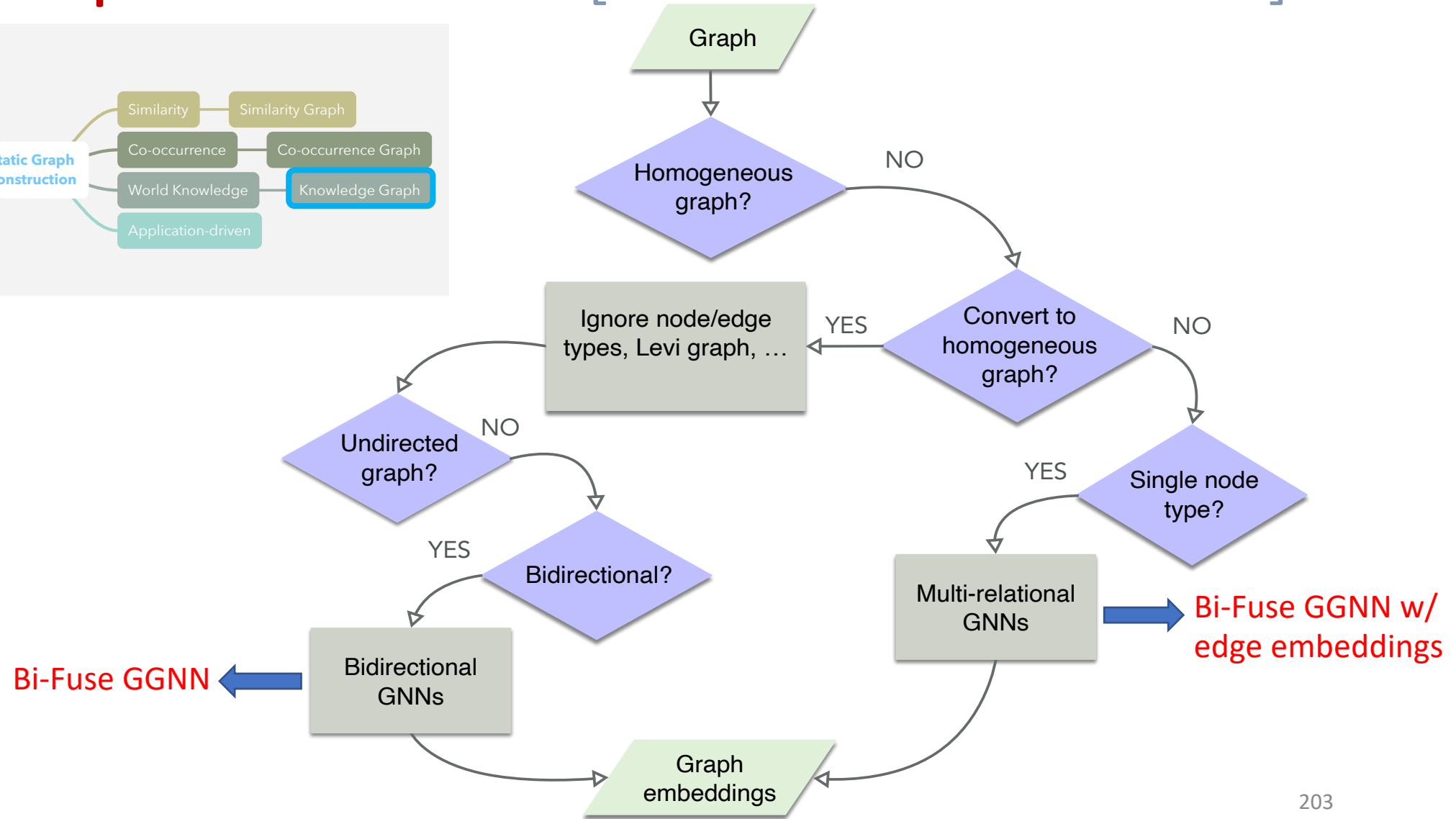
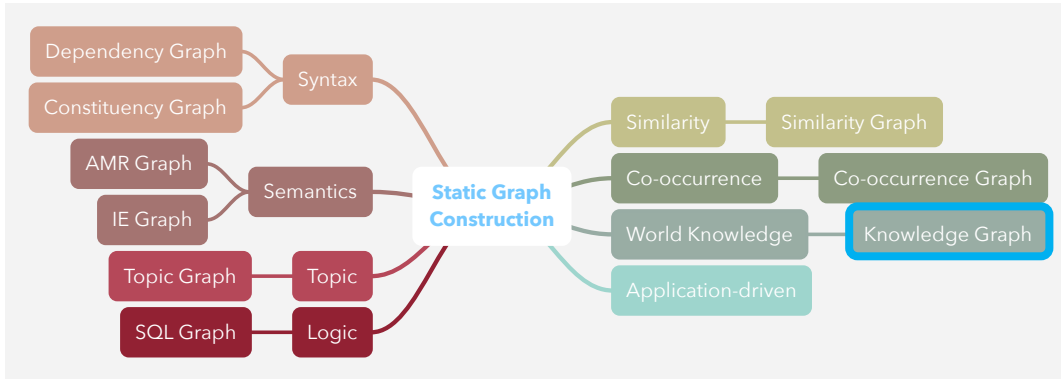
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Graph2Seq for QG from KG [Chen et al. arXiv'20]

Method	WQ			PQ		
	BLEU-4	METEOR	ROUGE-L	BLEU-4	METEOR	ROUGE-L
L2A	6.01	25.24	26.95	17.00	19.72	50.38
Transformer	8.94	13.79	32.63	56.43	43.45	73.64
MHQG+AE	11.57	29.69	35.53	25.99	33.16	58.94
G2S+AE	29.45	30.96	55.45	61.48	44.57	77.72
G2S_{edge} +AE	29.40	31.12	55.23	59.59	44.70	75.20

Automatic evaluation results on the WQ and PQ test sets.

Levi graph conversion + homogeneous GNN performs comparably with multi-relational GNN

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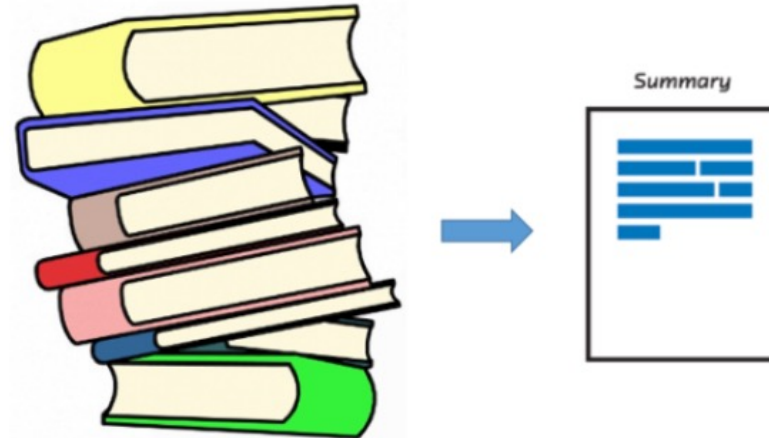
Method	BLEU-4	METEOR	ROUGE-L
Bidirectional	61.48	44.57	77.72
Forward	59.59	42.72	75.82
Backward	59.12	42.66	75.03

Bidirectional GNN
performs better

Ablation study on directionality on the PQ test set.

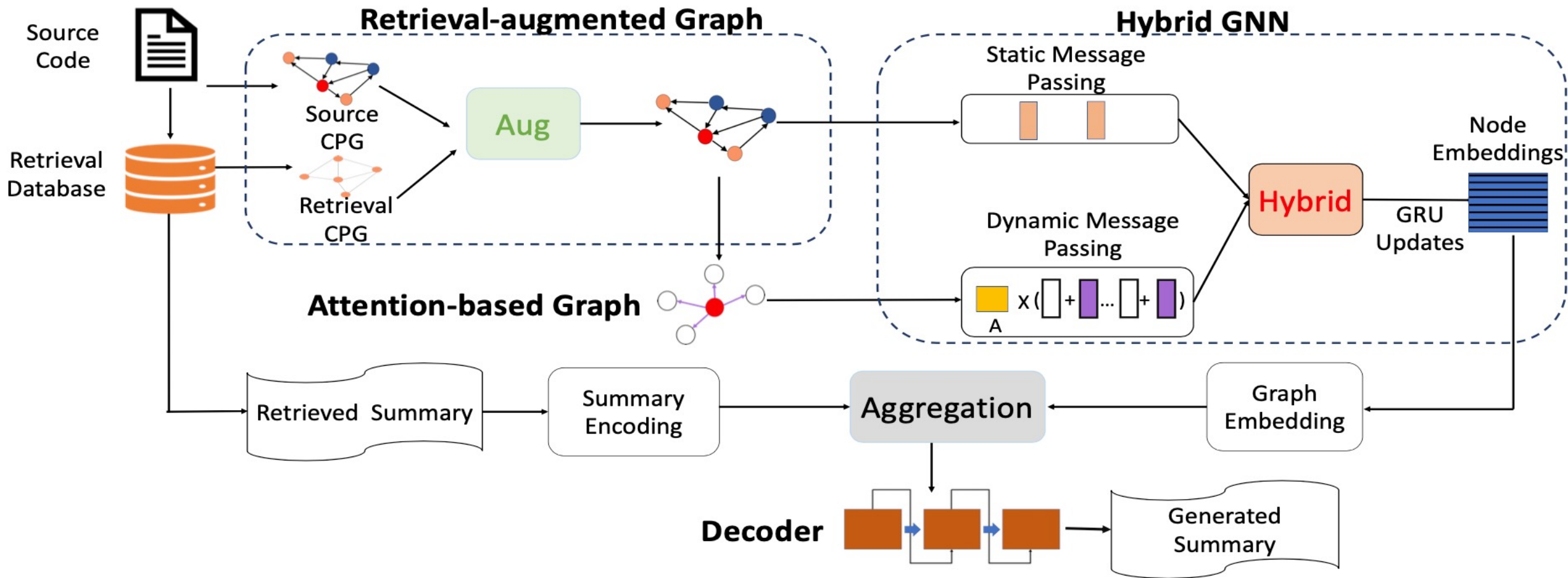
Summarization

I just need
the main ideas

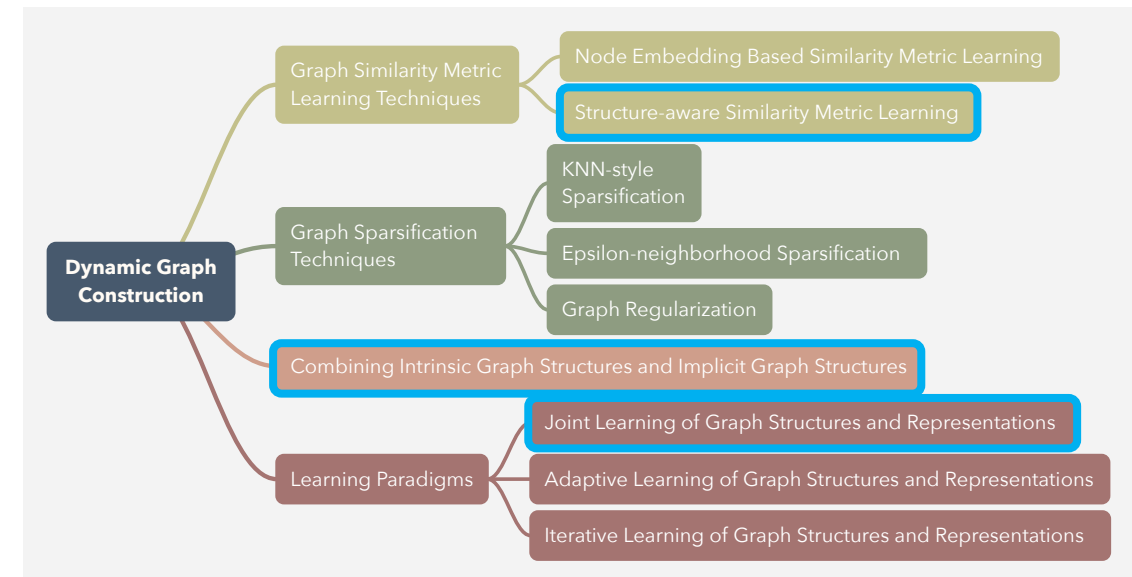
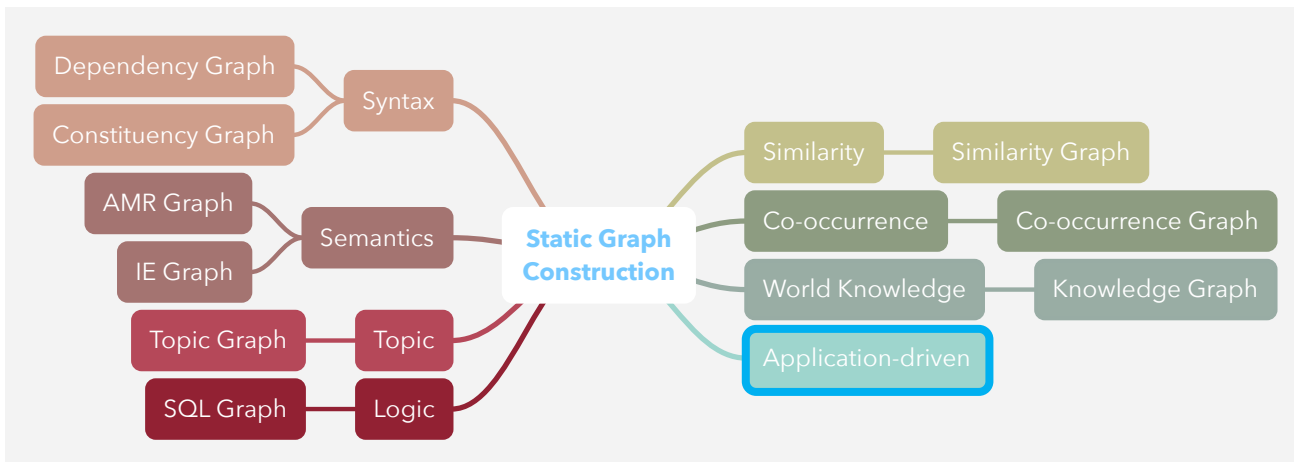
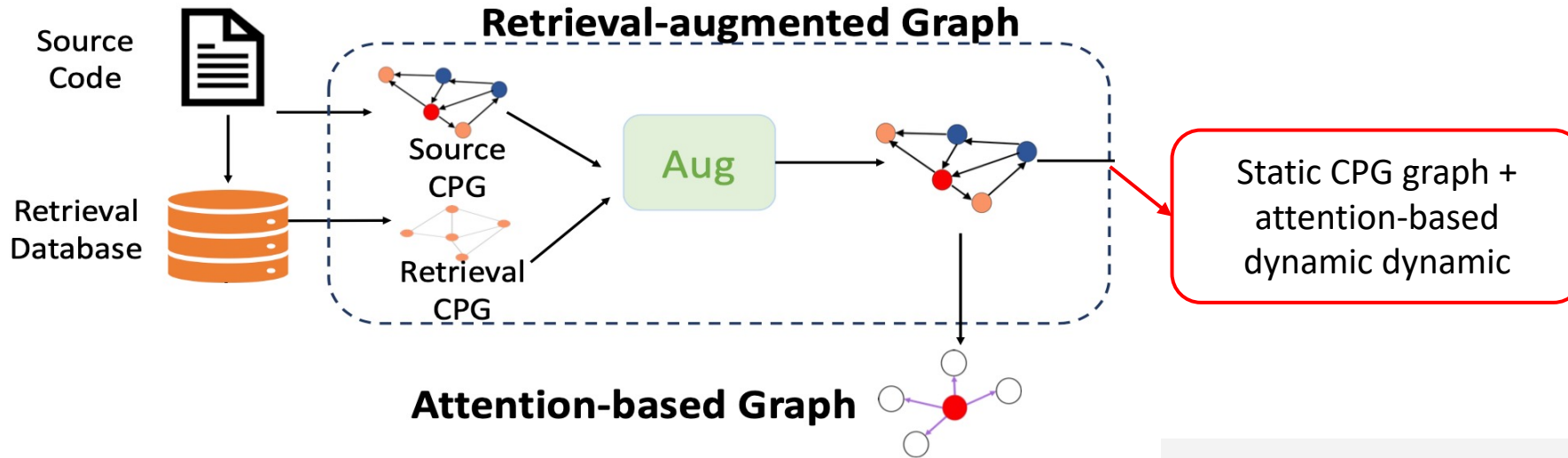


- Input
 - A document, dialogue, code or multiple ones
- Output
 - A succinct sentence or paragraph

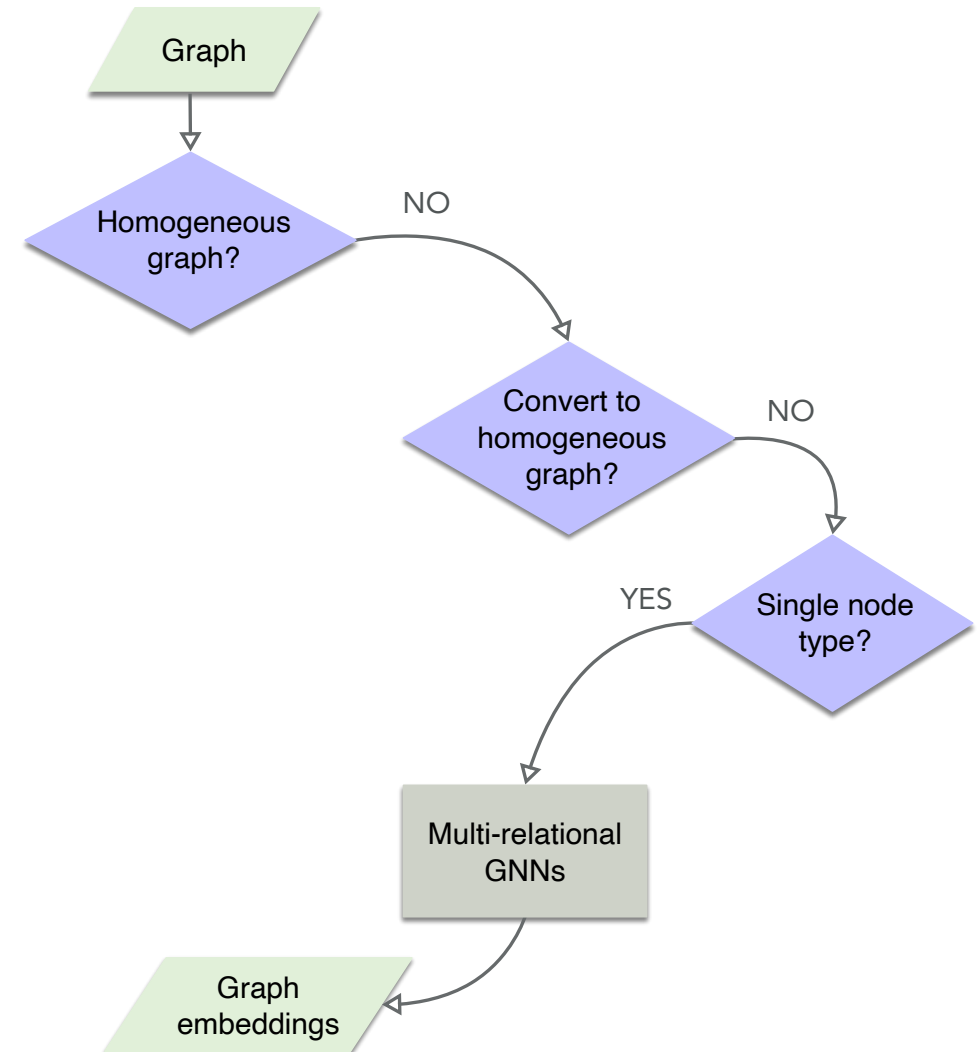
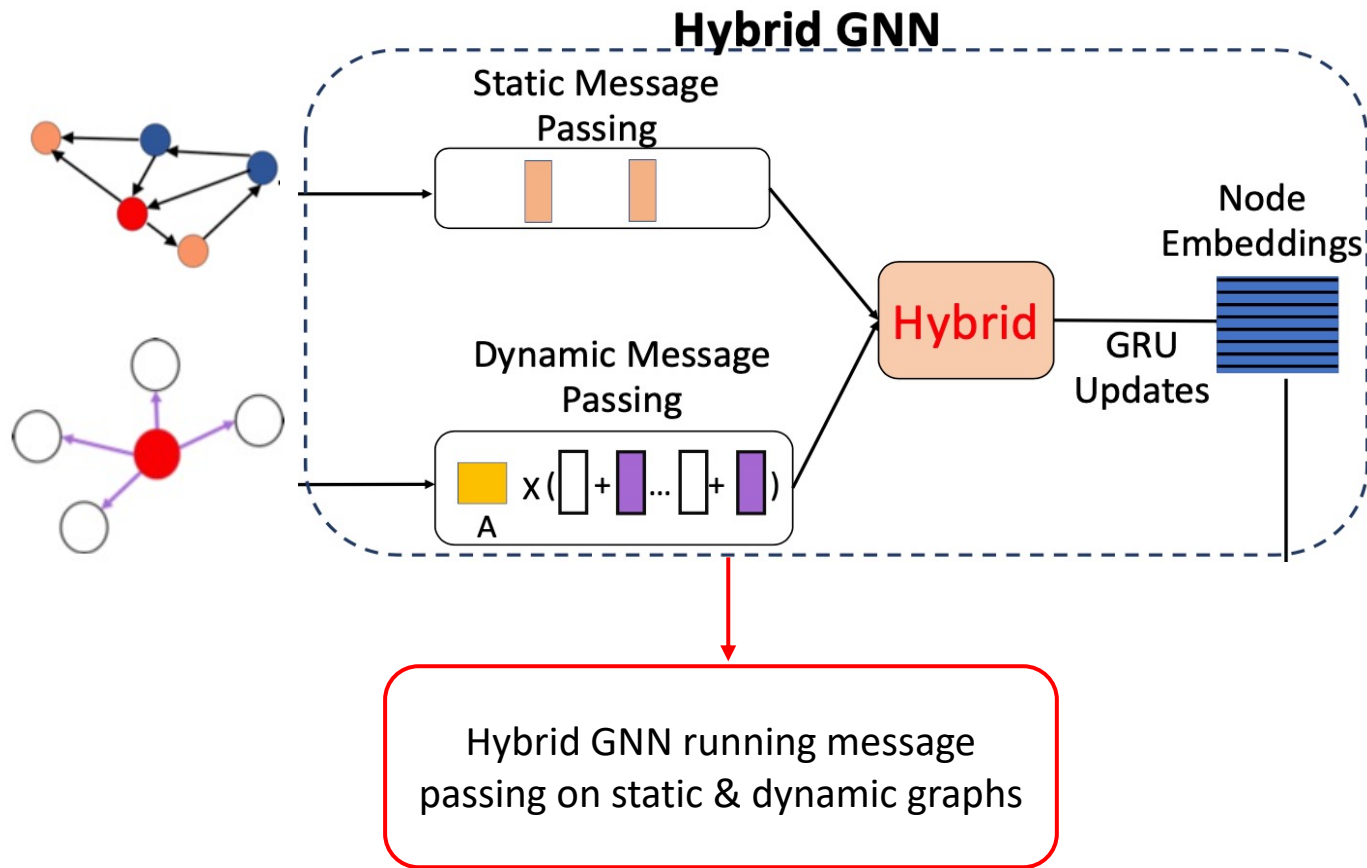
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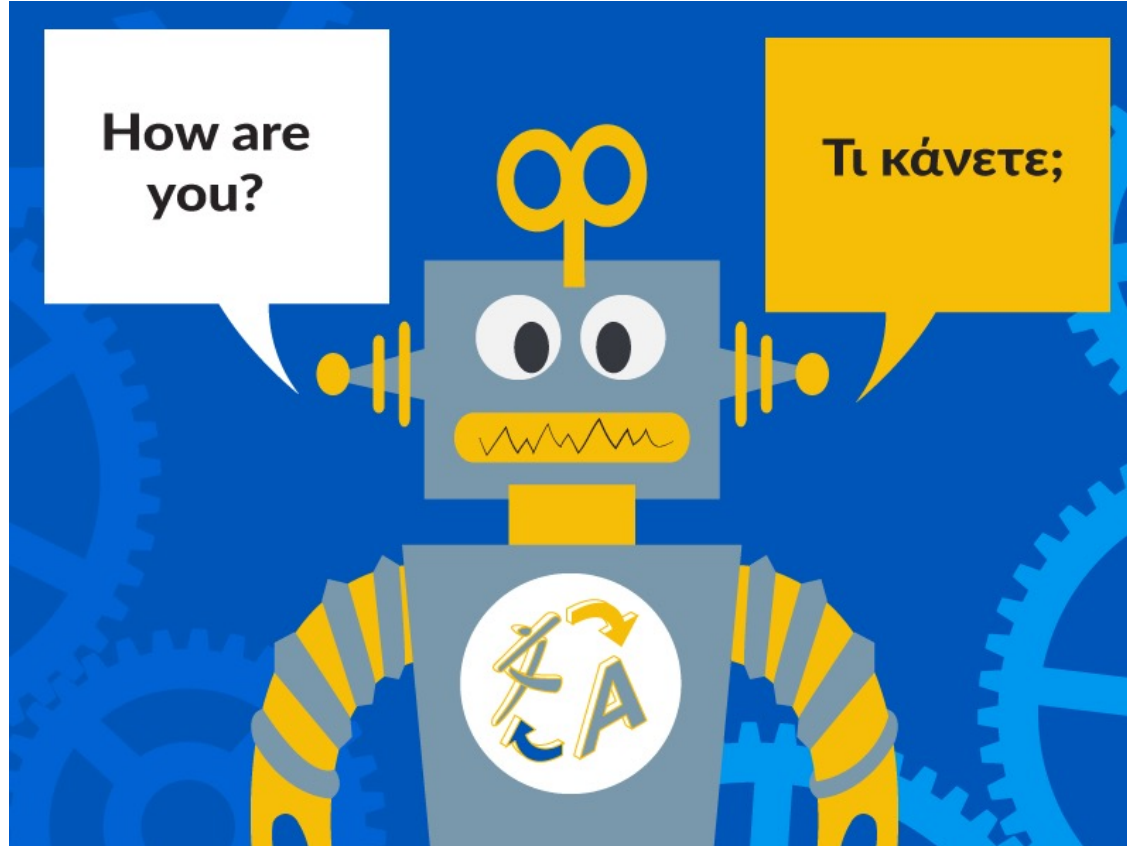
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Methods	In-domain			Out-of-domain			Overall		
	BLEU-4	ROUGE-L	METEOR	BLEU-4	ROUGE-L	METEOR	BLEU-4	ROUGE-L	METEOR
TF-IDF	15.20	27.98	13.74	5.50	15.37	6.84	12.19	23.49	11.43
NNGen	15.97	28.14	13.82	5.74	16.33	7.18	12.76	23.93	11.58
CODE-NN	10.08	26.17	11.33	3.86	15.25	6.19	8.24	22.28	9.61
Hybrid-DRL	9.29	30.00	12.47	6.30	24.19	10.30	8.42	28.64	11.73
Transformer	12.91	28.04	13.83	5.75	18.62	9.89	10.69	24.65	12.02
Dual Model	11.49	29.20	13.24	5.25	21.31	9.14	9.61	26.40	11.87
Rencos	14.80	31.41	14.64	7.54	23.12	10.35	12.59	28.45	13.21
GCN2Seq	9.79	26.59	11.65	4.06	18.96	7.76	7.91	23.67	10.23
GAT2Seq	10.52	26.17	11.88	3.80	16.94	6.73	8.29	22.63	10.00
SeqGNN	10.51	29.84	13.14	4.94	20.80	9.50	8.87	26.34	11.93
<i>HGNN w/o augment & static</i>	11.75	29.59	13.86	5.57	22.14	9.41	9.98	26.94	12.05
<i>HGNN w/o augment & dynamic</i>	11.85	29.51	13.54	5.45	21.89	9.59	9.93	26.80	12.21
<i>HGNN w/o augment</i>	12.33	29.99	13.78	5.45	22.07	9.46	10.26	27.17	12.32
<i>HGNN w/o static</i>	15.93	33.67	15.67	7.72	24.69	10.63	13.44	30.47	13.98
<i>HGNN w/o dynamic</i>	15.77	33.84	15.67	7.64	24.72	10.73	13.31	30.59	14.01
HGNN	16.72	34.29	16.25	7.85	24.74	11.05	14.01	30.89	14.50

Automatic evaluation results (in %) on the CCSD test set.

Combining static + dynamic graphs performs better

Machine Translation



- Input
 - Source language text $X = \{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_N\}$
- Output
 - Target language text

$$\hat{Y} = \{y_1, y_2, \dots, y_T\}$$

which maximizes the conditional likelihood

$$\hat{Y} = \operatorname{argmax}_Y P(Y|X)$$

Syntactic GCN for MT [Bastings et al. EMNLP'17]

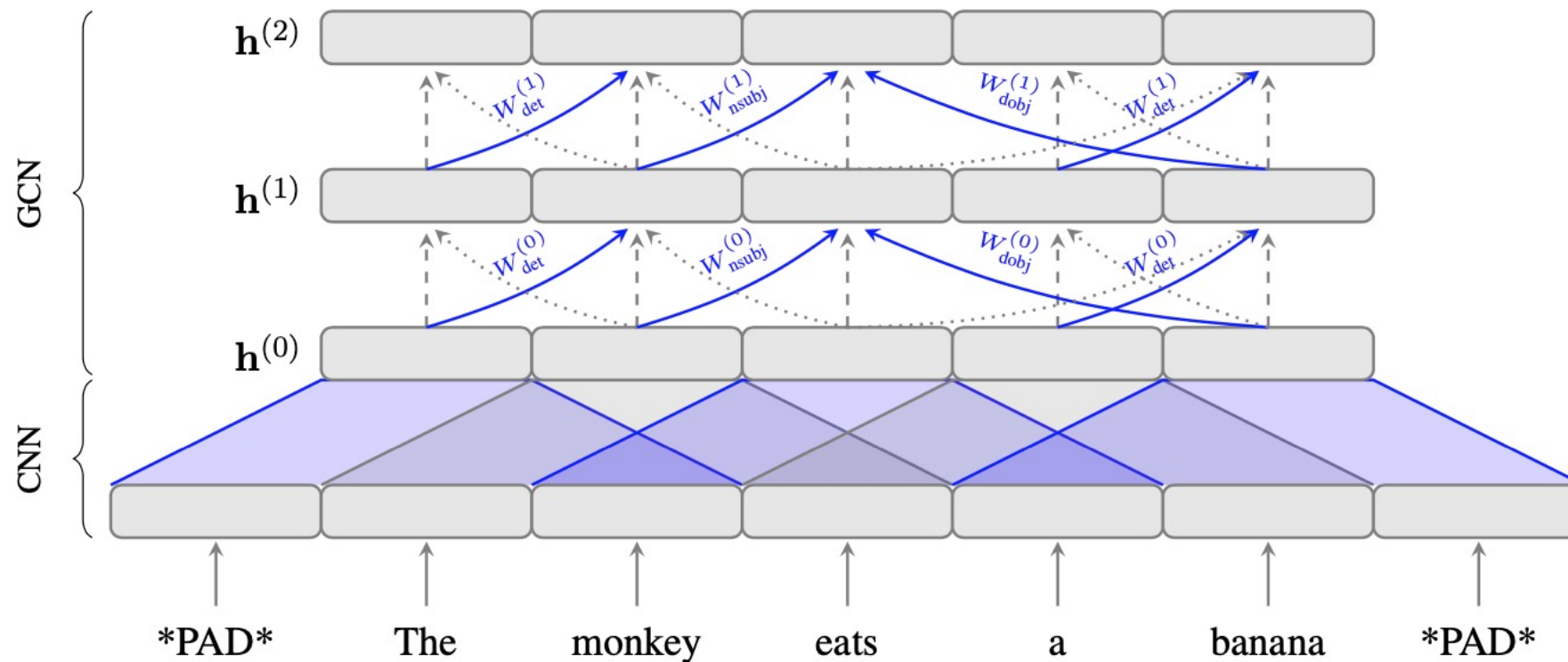
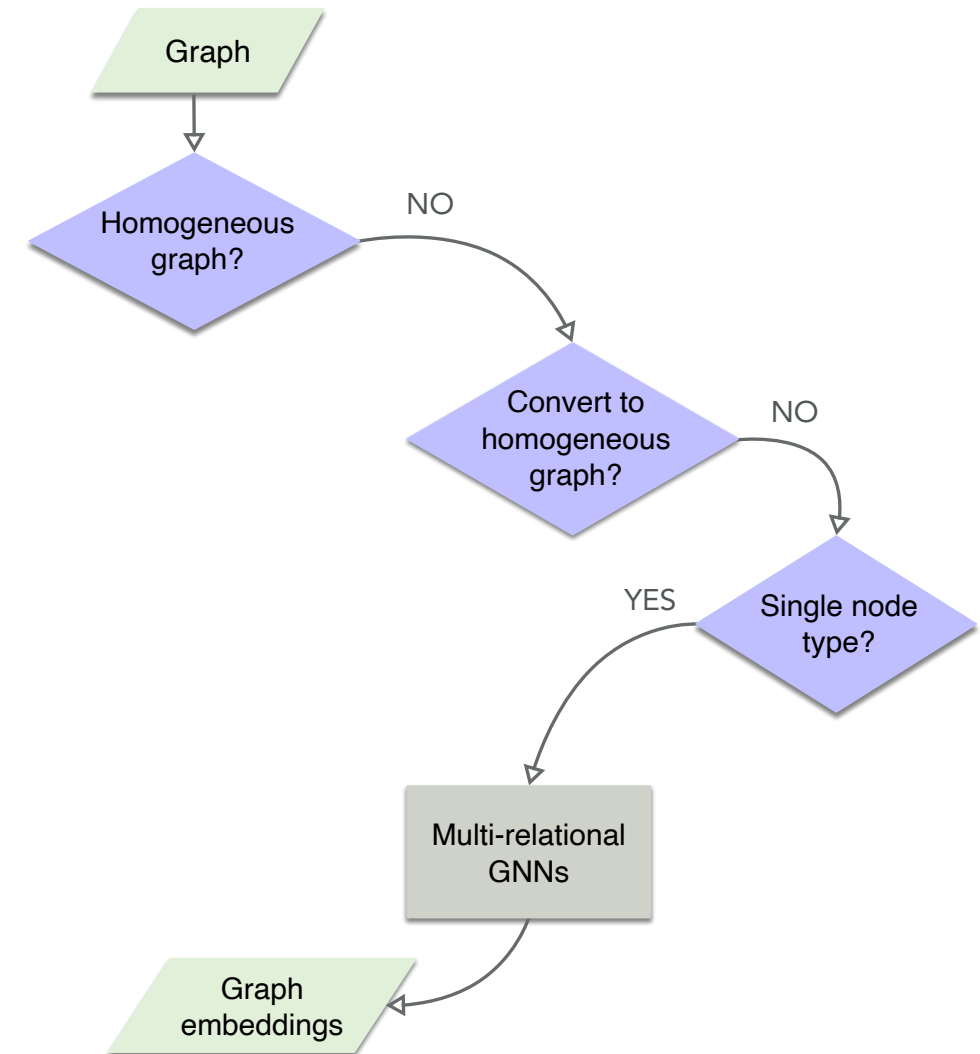
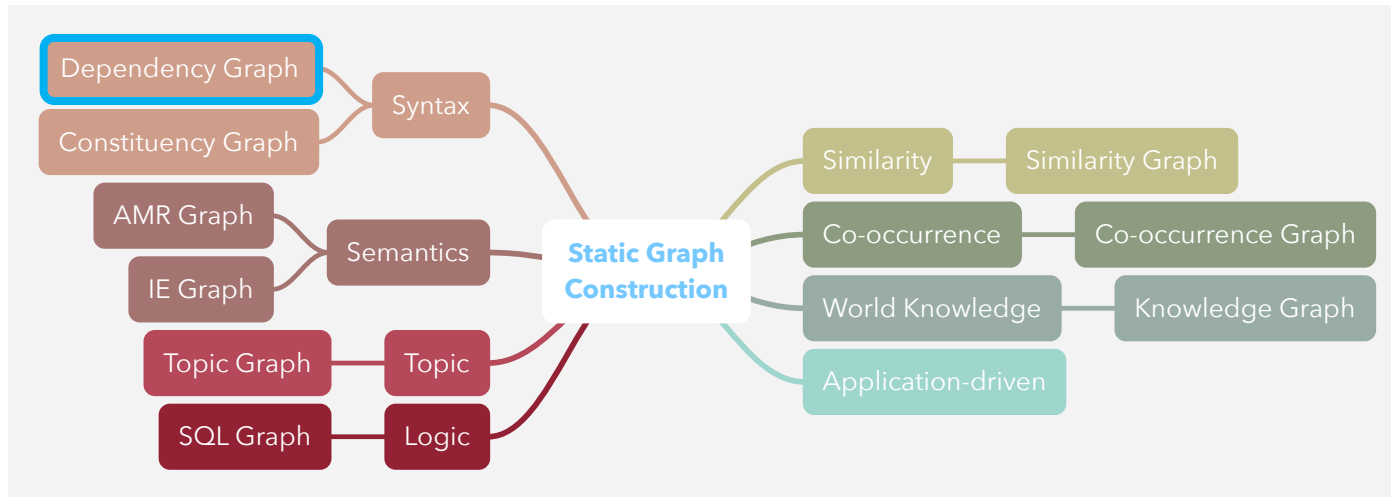


Figure 2: A 2-layer syntactic GCN on top of a convolutional encoder. Loop connections are depicted with dashed edges, syntactic ones with solid (dependents to heads) and dotted (heads to dependents) edges. Gates and some labels are omitted for clarity.

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	Kendall	BLEU ₁	BLEU ₄
BoW	0.3352	40.6	9.5
+ GCN	0.3520	44.9	12.2
CNN	0.3601	42.8	12.6
+ GCN	0.3777	44.7	13.7
BiRNN	0.3984	45.2	14.9
+ GCN	0.4089	47.5	16.1
BiRNN (full)	0.5440	53.0	23.3
+ GCN	0.5555	54.6	23.9

Test results for English-German.

	Kendall	BLEU ₁	BLEU ₄
BoW	0.2498	32.9	6.0
+ GCN	0.2561	35.4	7.5
CNN	0.2756	35.1	8.1
+ GCN	0.2850	36.1	8.7
BiRNN	0.2961	36.9	8.9
+ GCN	0.3046	38.8	9.6

Test results for English-Czech.

Syntactic GCN is helpful

Multi-modal Machine Translation [Yin et al. ACL'20]

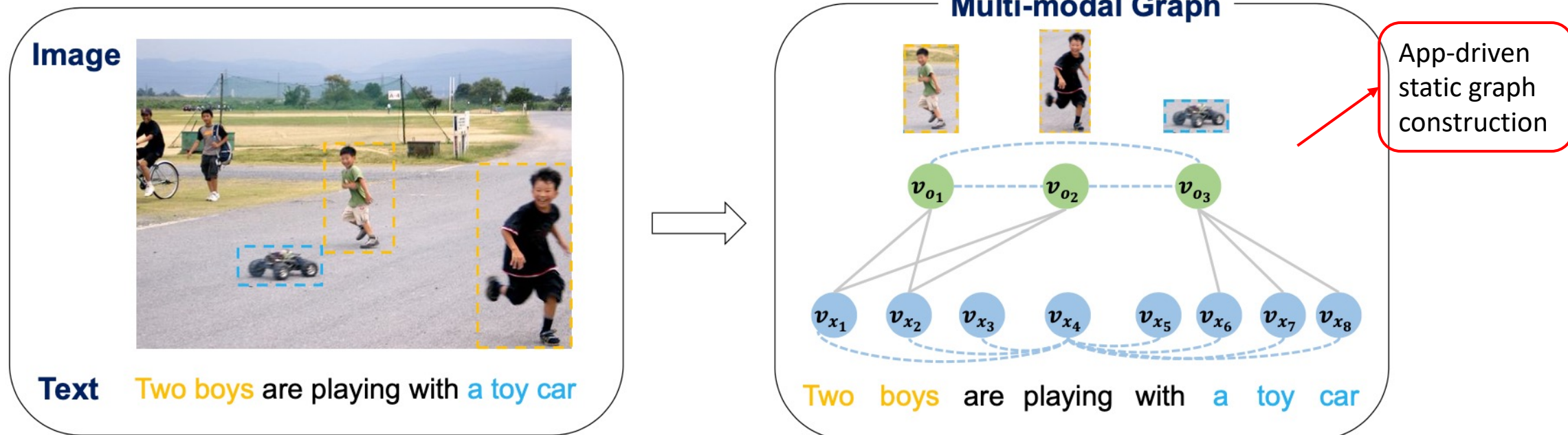
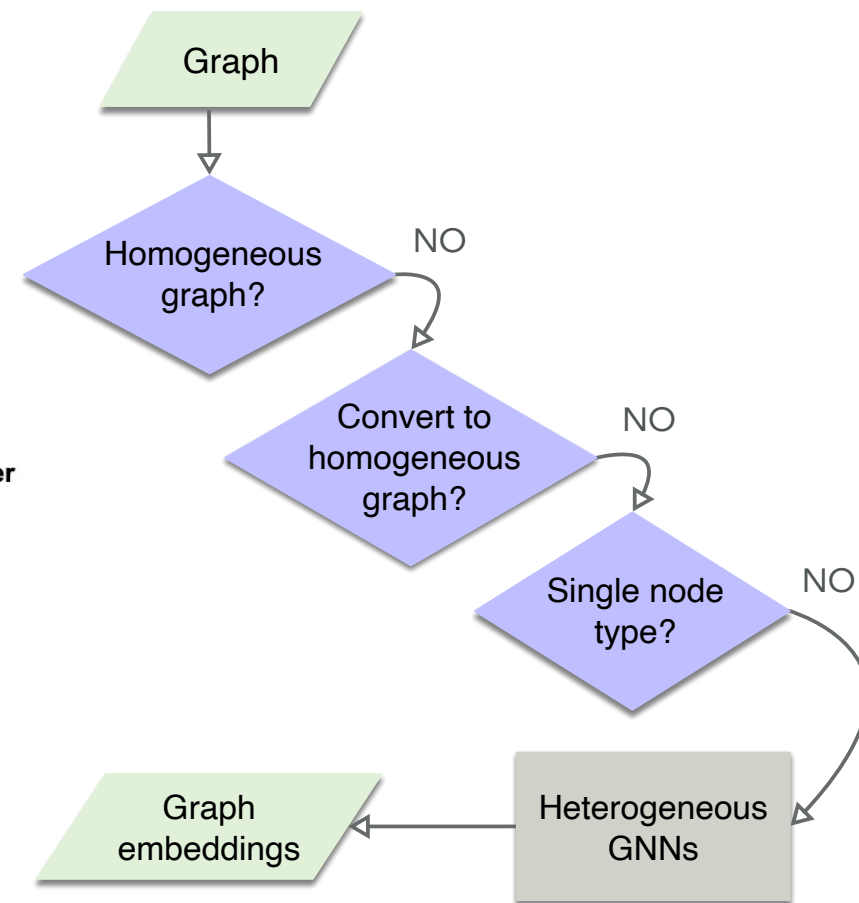
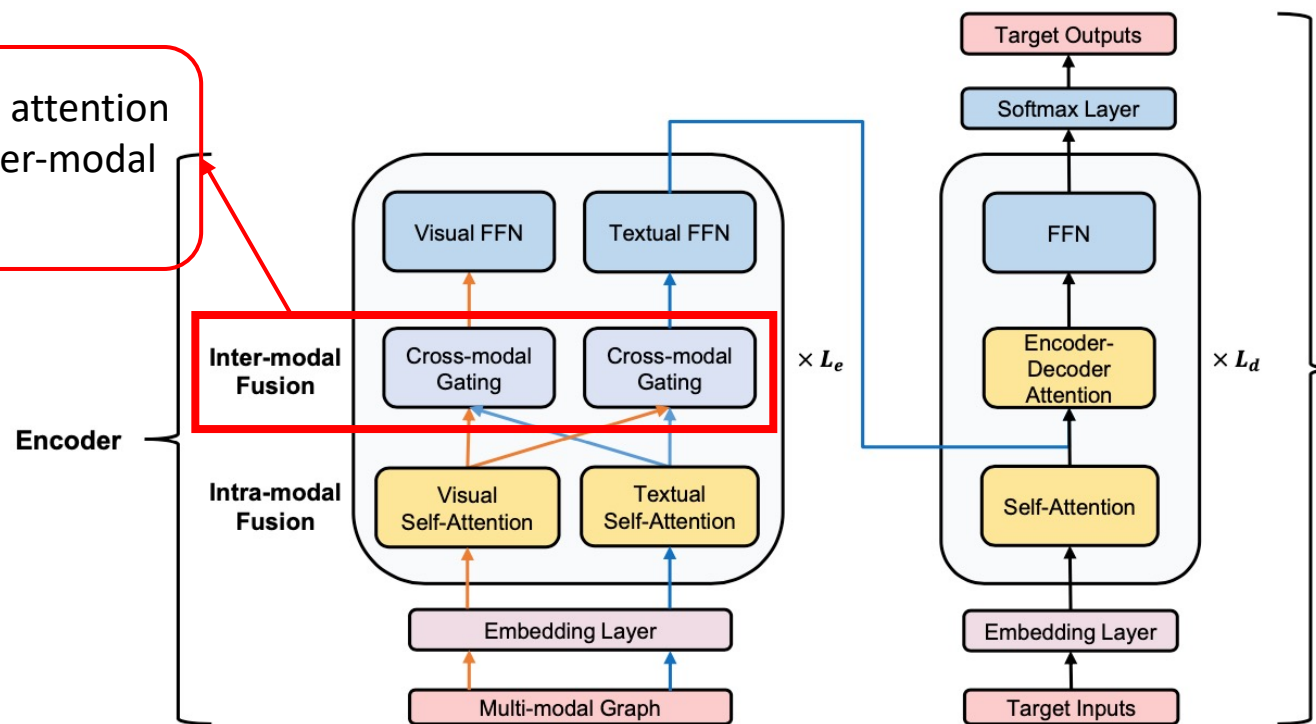


Figure . The multi-modal graph for an input sentence-image pair. The blue and green solid circles denote textual nodes and visual nodes respectively. An intra-modal edge (dotted line) connects two nodes in the same modality, and an inter-modal edge (solid line) links two nodes in different modalities. Note that we only display edges connecting the textual node “*playing*” and other textual ones for simplicity.

Multi-modal Machine Translation [Yin et al. ACL'20]

Graph attention for inter-modal fusion



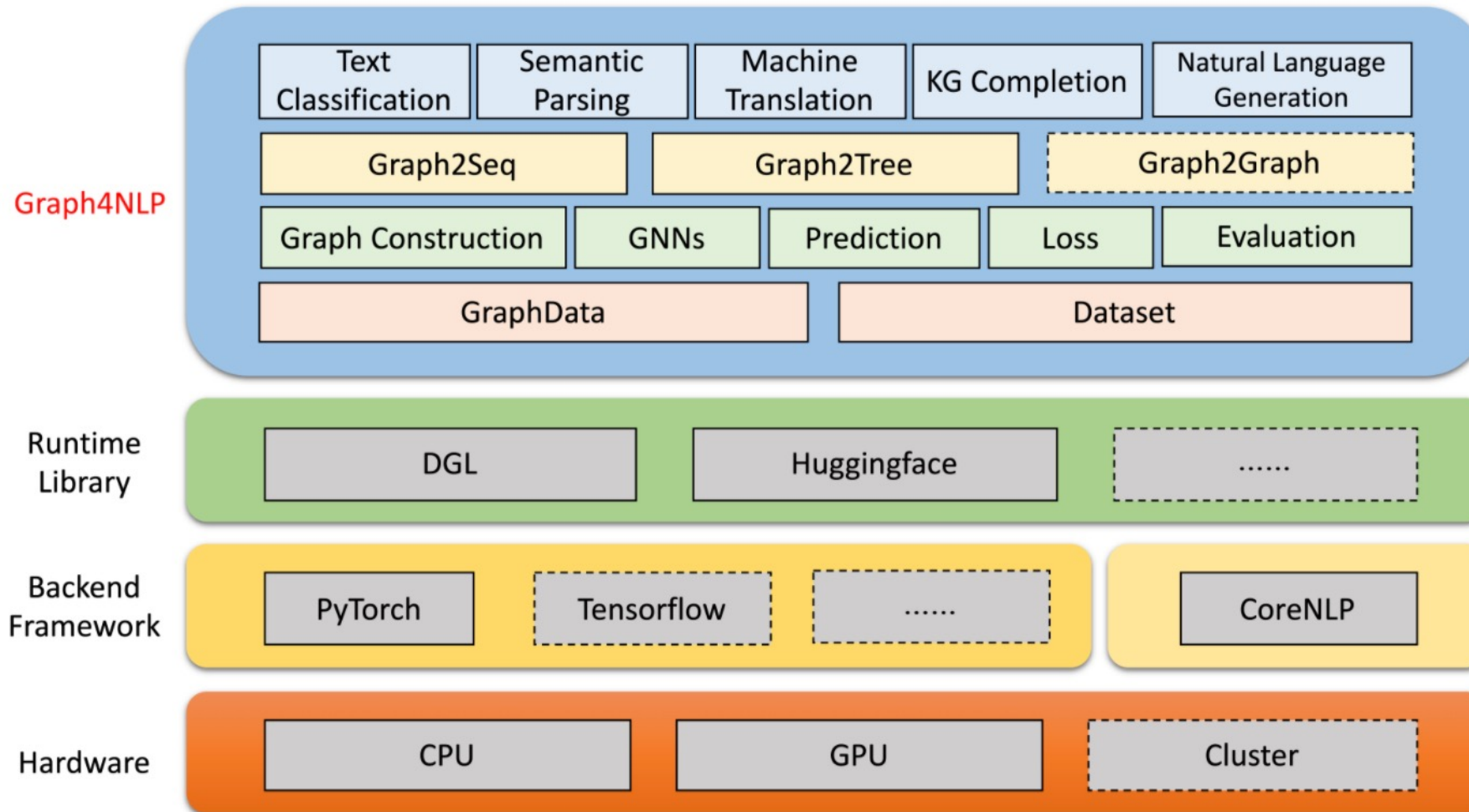
Multi-modal Machine Translation [Yin et al. ACL'20]

Model	En \Rightarrow Fr			
	Test2016		Test2017	
	BLEU	METEOR	BLEU	METEOR
<i>Existing Multi-modal NMT Systems</i>				
Fusion-conv(RNN) (Caglayan et al., 2017)	53.5	70.4	51.6	68.6
Trg-mul(RNN)(Caglayan et al., 2017)	54.7	71.3	52.7	69.5
Deliberation Network(TF) (Ive et al., 2019)	59.8	74.4	-	-
<i>Our Multi-modal NMT Systems</i>				
Transformer (Vaswani et al., 2017)	59.5	73.7	52.0	68.0
ObjectAsToken(TF) (Huang et al., 2016)	60.0	74.3	52.9	68.6
Enc-att(TF) (Delbrouck and Dupont, 2017b)	60.0	74.3	52.8	68.3
Doubly-att(TF) (Helcl et al., 2018)	59.9	74.1	52.4	68.1
Our model	60.9	74.9	53.9	69.3

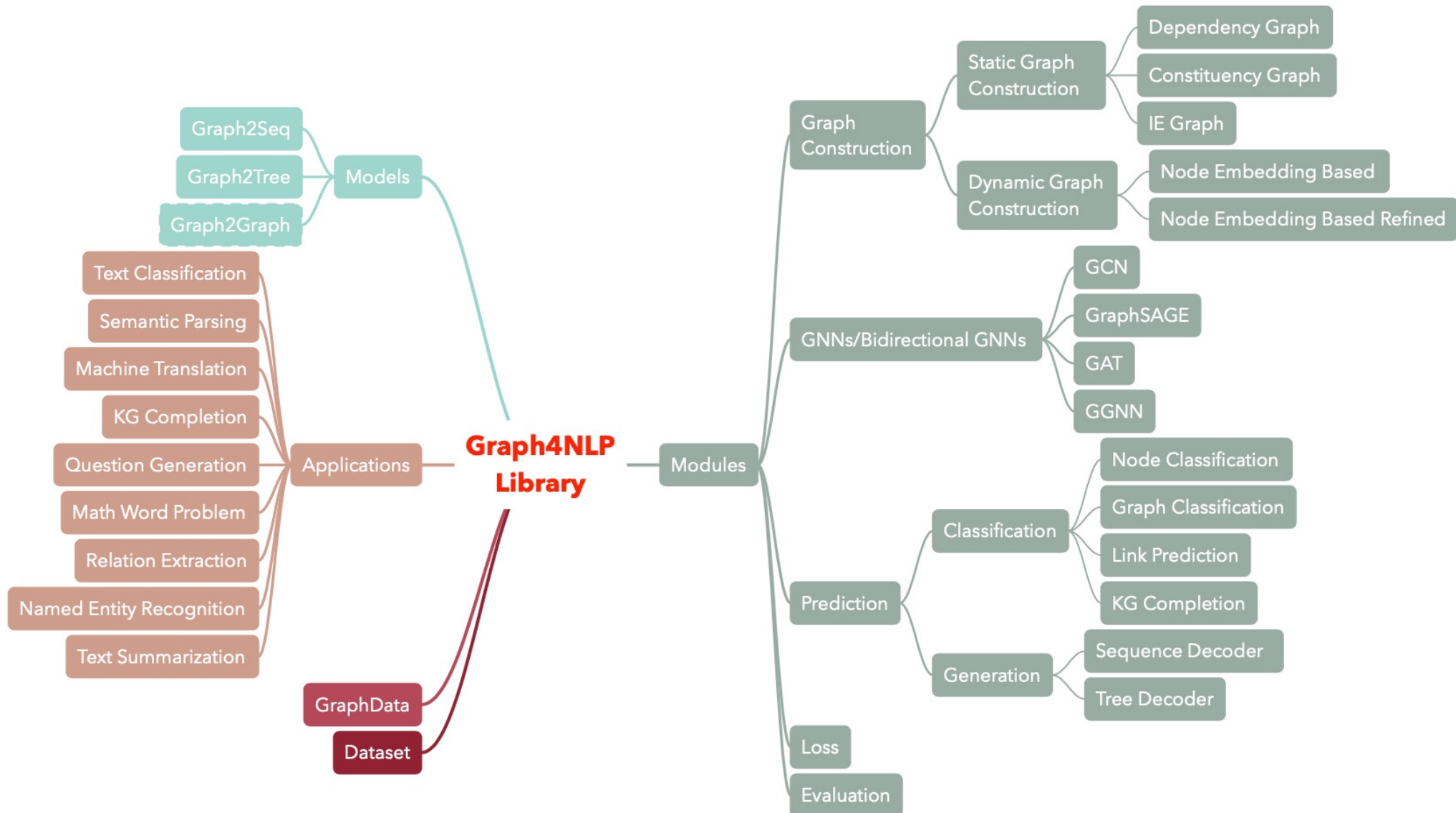
Hands-on Demonstration

Graph4NLP: A Library for Deep Learning on Graphs for NLP

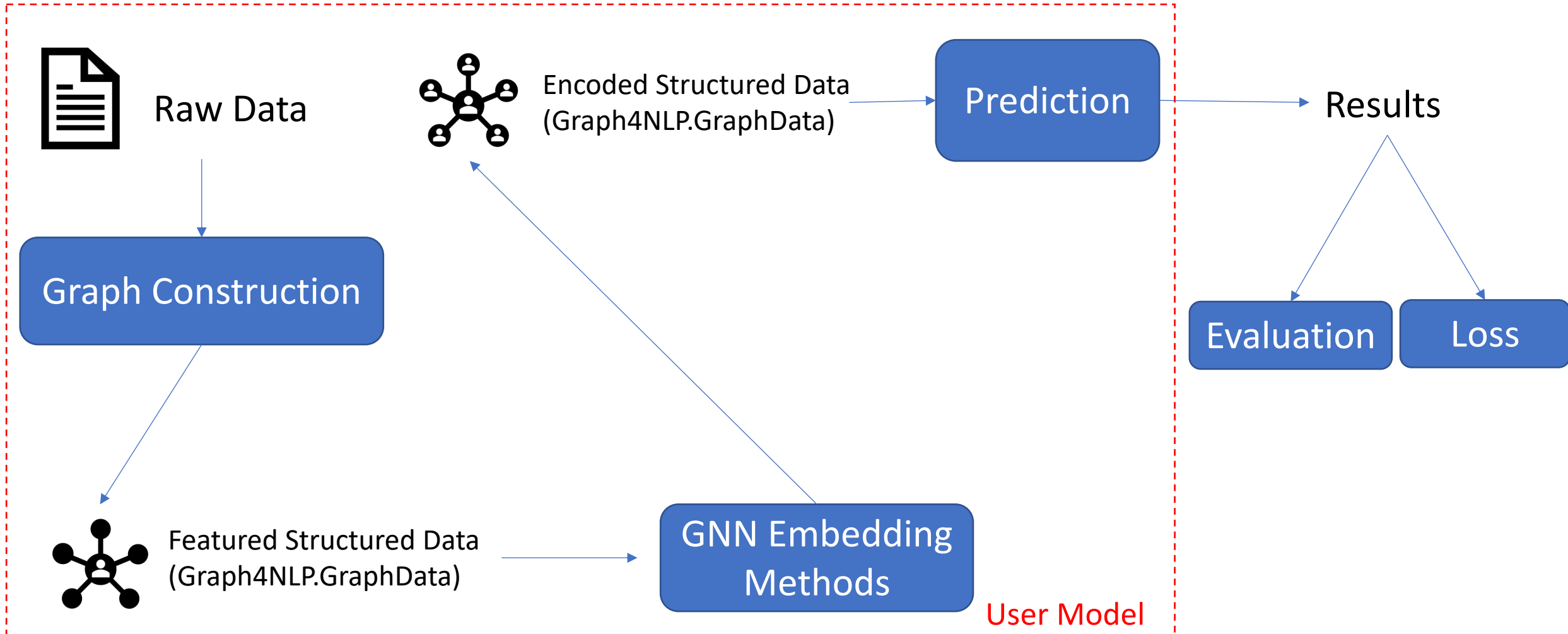
Overall Architecture of Graph4NLP Library



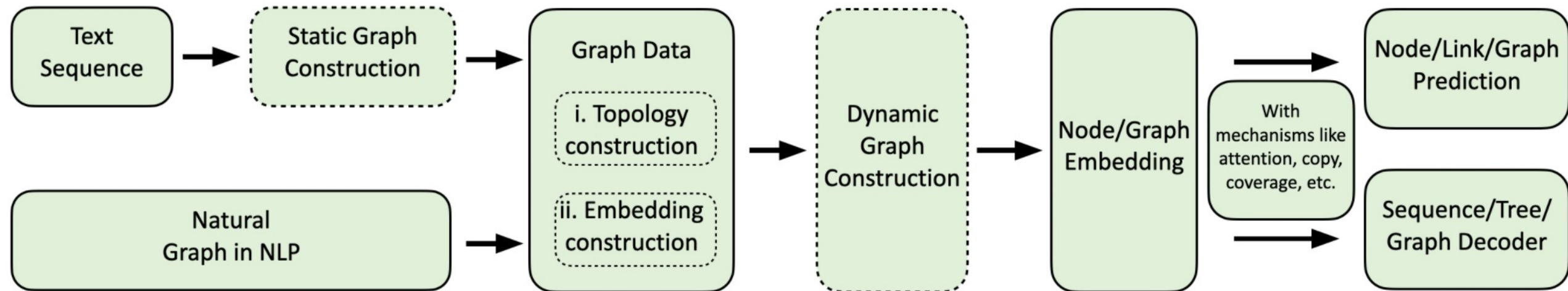
Dive Into Graph4NLP Library



Data Flow of Graph4NLP



Computing Flow of Graph4NLP



Performance of Built-in NLP Tasks

Task	Dataset	GNN Model	Graph construction	Evaluation	Performance
Text classification	TRECT	GAT	Dependency	Accuracy	0.948
	CAirline				0.769
	CNSST				0.538
Semantic Parsing	JOBS	SAGE	Constituency	Execution accuracy	0.936
Question generation	SQuAD	GGNN	Dependency	BLEU-4	0.15175
Machine translation	IWSLT14	GCN	Dynamic	BLEU-4	0.3212
Summarization	CNN(30k)	GCN	Dependency	ROUGE-1	26.4
Knowledge graph completion	Kinship	GCN	Dependency	MRR	82.4
Math word problem	MAWPS	SAGE	Dynamic	Solution accuracy	76.4
	MATHQA			Exact match	61.07



Demo 1: Building a Text Classification Application

- 1) `git clone` https://github.com/graph4ai/graph4nlp_demo
- 2) follow Get Started instructions in README



The screenshot shows the JupyterLab interface. At the top left is the Jupyter logo. On the top right are 'Quit' and 'Logout' buttons. Below the logo are tabs for 'Files', 'Running', and 'Clusters'. A toolbar contains buttons for 'Duplicate', 'Rename', 'Move', 'Download', 'View', 'Edit', and a trash icon. On the right side of the toolbar are 'Upload', 'New', and a refresh icon. The main area is a file browser showing a table of files and folders. The table has columns for 'Name', 'Last Modified', and 'File size'. The file 'text_classification.ipynb' is selected, indicated by a checked checkbox and a red box around the row.

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<input type="checkbox"/>	semantic_parsing.ipynb	seconds ago	38.6 kB
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	text_classification.ipynb	seconds ago	55.9 kB

Demo 1: Building a Text Classification Application

```
def forward(self, graph_list, tgt=None, require_loss=True):  
    # build graph topology  
    batch_gd = self.graph_topology(graph_list)  
  
    # run GNN encoder  
    self.gnn(batch_gd)  
  
    # run graph classifier  
    self.clf(batch_gd)  
    logits = batch_gd.graph_attributes['logits']  
  
    if require_loss:  
        loss = self.loss(logits, tgt)  
        return logits, loss  
    else:  
        return logits
```

Model arch

Demo 1: Building a Text Classification Application

Graph construction API,
various built-in options,
can be customized

```
self.graph_topology = DependencyBasedGraphConstruction(  
    embedding_style=embedding_style,  
    vocab=vocab.in_word_vocab,  
    hidden_size=config['num_hidden'],  
    word_dropout=config['word_dropout'],  
    rnn_dropout=config['rnn_dropout'],  
    fix_word_emb=not config['no_fix_word_emb'],  
    fix_bert_emb=not config.get('no_fix_bert_emb', False))
```

Demo 1: Building a Text Classification Application

GNN API, various built-in options, can be customized

```
self.gnn = GraphSAGE(config['gnn_num_layers'],
                    config['num_hidden'],
                    config['num_hidden'],
                    config['num_hidden'],
                    config['graphsage_aggreagte_type'],
                    direction_option=config['gnn_direction_option'],
                    feat_drop=config['gnn_dropout'],
                    bias=True,
                    norm=None,
                    activation=F.relu,
                    use_edge_weight=use_edge_weight)
```

Demo 1: Building a Text Classification Application

Prediction API, various built-in options, can be customized

```
self.clf = FeedForwardNN(2 * config['num_hidden'] \
    if config['gnn_direction_option'] == 'bi_sep' \
    else config['num_hidden'],
    config['num_classes'],
    [config['num_hidden']],
    graph_pool_type=config['graph_pooling'],
    dim=config['num_hidden'],
    use_linear_proj=config['max_pool_linear_proj'])
```

Demo 1: Building a Text Classification Application

Dataset API, various built-in options, can be customized

```
dataset = TrecDataset(root_dir=self.config.get('root_dir', self.config['root_data_dir']),
                    pretrained_word_emb_name=self.config.get('pretrained_word_emb_name', "840B"),
                    merge_strategy=merge_strategy,
                    seed=self.config['seed'],
                    thread_number=4,
                    port=9000,
                    timeout=15000,
                    word_emb_size=300,
                    graph_type=graph_type,
                    topology_builder=topology_builder,
                    topology_subdir=topology_subdir,
                    dynamic_graph_type=self.config['graph_type'] if \
                        self.config['graph_type'] in ('node_emb', 'node_emb_refined') else None,
                    dynamic_init_topology_builder=dynamic_init_topology_builder,
                    dynamic_init_topology_aux_args={'dummy_param': 0})
```

Demo 2: Building a Semantic Parsing Application

- 1) `git clone` https://github.com/graph4ai/graph4nlp_demo
- 2) follow Get Started instructions in README



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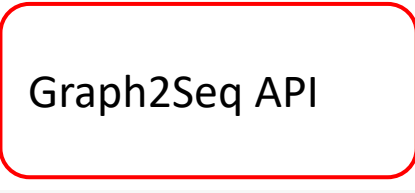
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Demo 2: Building a Semantic Parsing Application



Graph2Seq API

```
def _build_model(self):  
    self.model = Graph2Seq.from_args(self.opt, self.vocab).to(self.device)
```

Demo 2: Building a Semantic Parsing Application

Dataset API, various built-in options, can be customized

```
dataset = JobsDataset(root_dir=self.opt["graph_construction_args"]["graph_construction_share"]["root_dir"],
    pretrained_word_emb_name=self.opt["pretrained_word_emb_name"],
    pretrained_word_emb_url=self.opt["pretrained_word_emb_url"],
    pretrained_word_emb_cache_dir=self.opt["pretrained_word_emb_cache_dir"],
    val_split_ratio=self.opt["val_split_ratio"],
    merge_strategy=self.opt["graph_construction_args"]["graph_construction_private"]["merge_strategy"],
    edge_strategy=self.opt["graph_construction_args"]["graph_construction_private"]["edge_strategy"],
    seed=self.opt["seed"],
    word_emb_size=self.opt["word_emb_size"],
    share_vocab=self.opt["graph_construction_args"]["graph_construction_share"]["share_vocab"],
    graph_type=graph_type,
    topology_builder=topology_builder,
    topology_subdir=self.opt["graph_construction_args"]["graph_construction_share"]["topology_subdir"],
    thread_number=self.opt["graph_construction_args"]["graph_construction_share"]["thread_number"],
    dynamic_graph_type=self.opt["graph_construction_args"]["graph_construction_share"]["graph_type"],
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    dynamic_init_topology_aux_args=None)
```

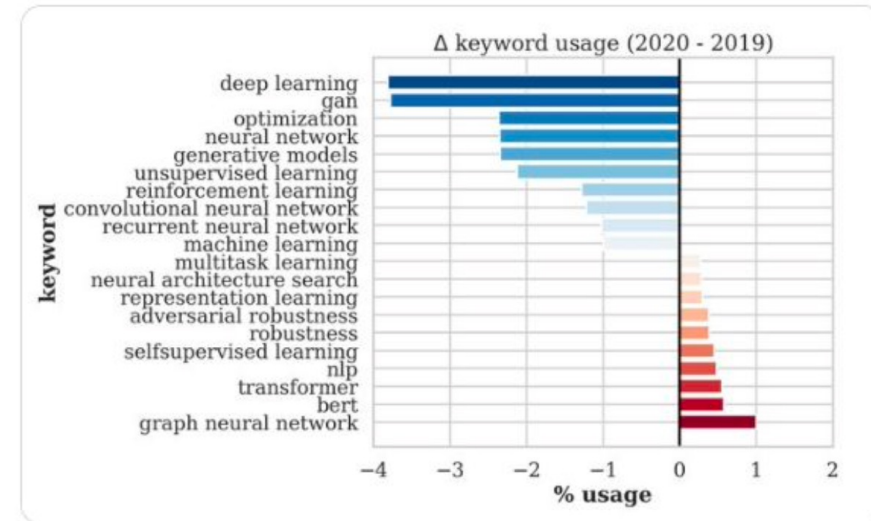
DLG4NLP: Future Directions and Conclusions

Future Directions

[Vashishth et al. EMNLP'19 Tutorial]

- The Rise of **GNN + NLP**

#ICLR2020 submissions on **graph neural networks, NLP** and robustness have the greatest growth. @iclr_conf @openreviewnet



- **Graph Construction** for NLP

- Dynamic graph construction are largely underexplored!
- How to effectively combine advantages of static graph and dynamic graph?
- How to construct heterogeneous dynamic graph?
- How to make dynamic graph construction itself scalable?

Future Directions

- **Scaling GNNs** to Large Graphs
 - Most existing multi-relational or heterogeneous GNNs will have scalability issues when applied to large graphs in NLP such as KGs (> 1m)
- **GNNs + Transformer** in NLP
 - How to effectively combine the advantages of GNNs and Transformer?
 - Is graph transformer the best way to utilize?
- **Pretraining GNNs** for NLP
 - Information Retrieval/ Search

Future Directions

- **Graph-to-graph Learning in NLP**
 - How to effectively develop Graph-to-Graph models for solving graph transformation problem in NLP (i.e. information extraction)?
- **Joint Text and KG Reasoning** in NLP
 - Joint text and KG reasoning is less explored although GNNs for multi-hop reasoning gains popularity
- **Incorporate Source and Context** into Knowledge Graph Construction and Verification

Conclusions

- Deep Learning on Graphs for NLP is a fast-growing area today!
- Since graph can naturally encode complex information, it could bridge a gap by combining both **empirical domain knowledges and the power of deep learning.**
- For a NLP task,
 - how to convert text sequence into the best graph (directed, multi-relation, heterogeneous)
 - how to determine proper graph representation learning technique?
- **Our Graph4NLP library aims to make easy use of GNNs for NLP:**
 - Code: <https://github.com/graph4ai/graph4nlp>
 - Demo: https://github.com/graph4ai/graph4nlp_demo
 - Github literature list: https://github.com/graph4ai/graph4nlp_literature