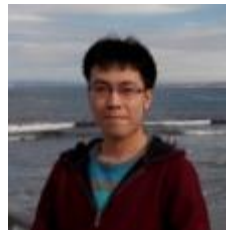


# Meta Paths and Meta Structures: Analysing Large Heterogeneous Information Networks



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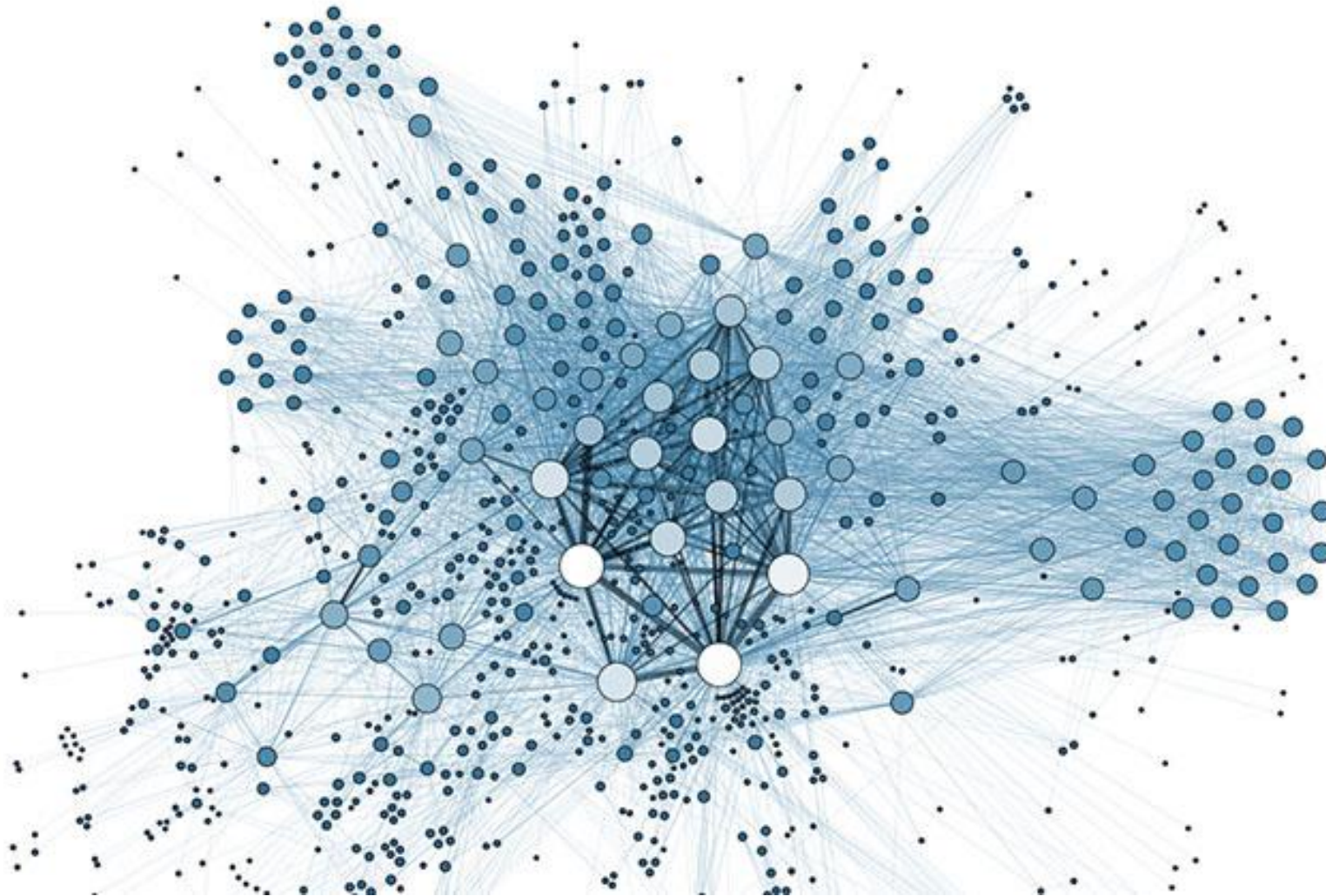
# Information is Everywhere !

- Social Networking Websites



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- **Biological Network**





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## ○ Research Collaboration Network



<https://scholarlykitchen.sspnet.org/2017/04/07/updated-figures-scale-nature-researchers-use-scholarly-collaboration-networks/>

# Information is Everywhere !

## ○ Product Recommendation Network

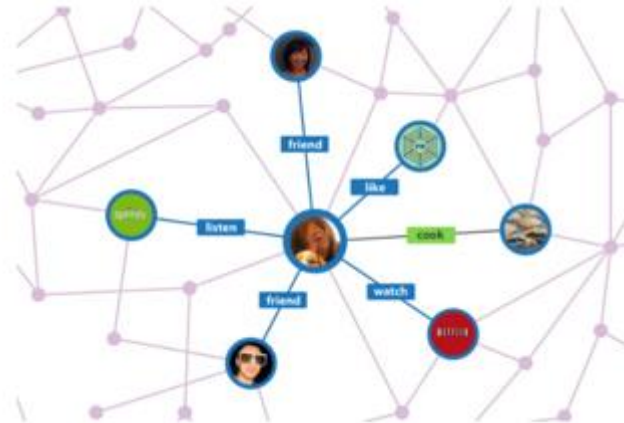
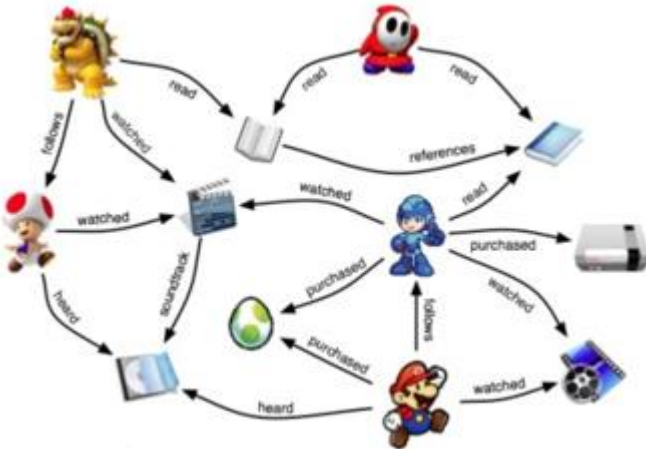


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# The Real World

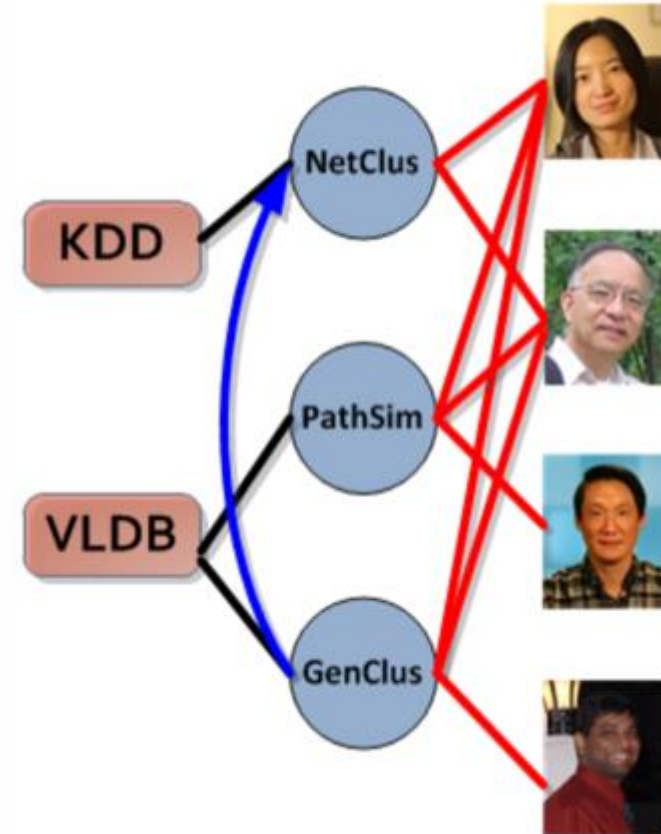
- **Heterogeneous** Information Network(s), i.e. HIN(s).



- **Networks: Nodes & Links**
  - **Nodes: Various Types**
  - **Links: Various Types**

# Example HINs

- **DBLP Bibliographic Network**
- **Networks: Nodes & Links**
  - **Node (Type):**
    - KDD (Venue)
    - Jiawei Han (Author)
  - **Link (Type):**
    - Write (Author → Paper)
    - Publish (Paper → Venue)



# Example HINs

- **The IMDB Movie Network**
- **Networks: Nodes & Links**
  - **Node (Type):**
    - Forrest Gump (Movie)
    - Tom Cruise (Actor)
  - **Link (Type):**
    - Make (Producer → Movie)
    - Act (Author → Movie)





# Example HINs

## ○ The Facebook Network

### ○ Networks:

#### – Node (Type):

- Jimmy (User)
- Coca Cola (Product)

#### – Link (Type):

- Like (User  $\rightarrow$  Product)
- Follow (User  $\rightarrow$  User)



# HINs are Ubiquitous !

- **Healthcare**

- Doctor, Patient, Disease



- **Source Code Repository**

- Project, Developer, Repository



- **E-Commerce**

- Seller, Buyer, Product



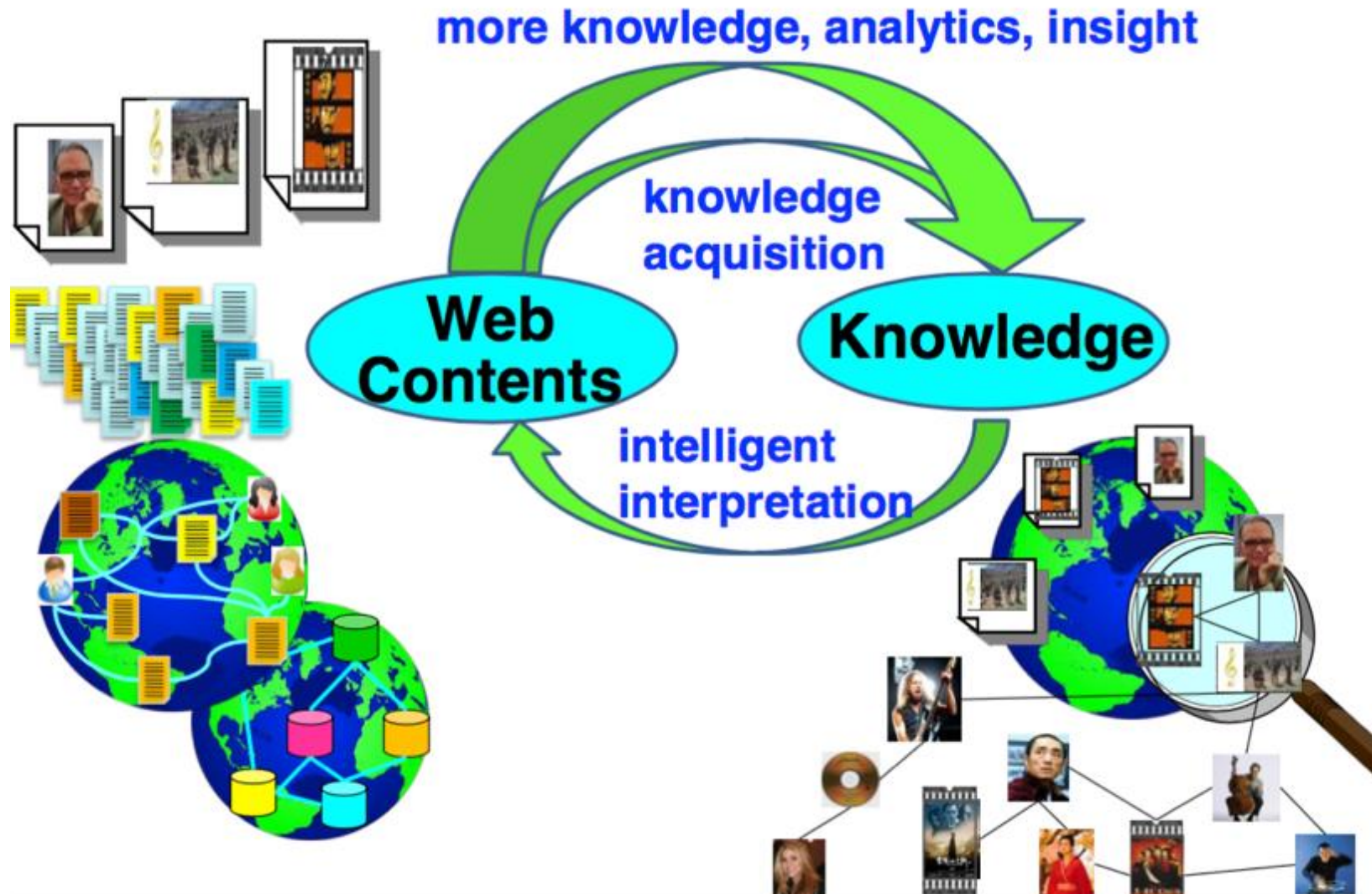
- **News**

- Author, Organization



# Knowledge Graph (KG)

- Turn Web Knowledge into KG





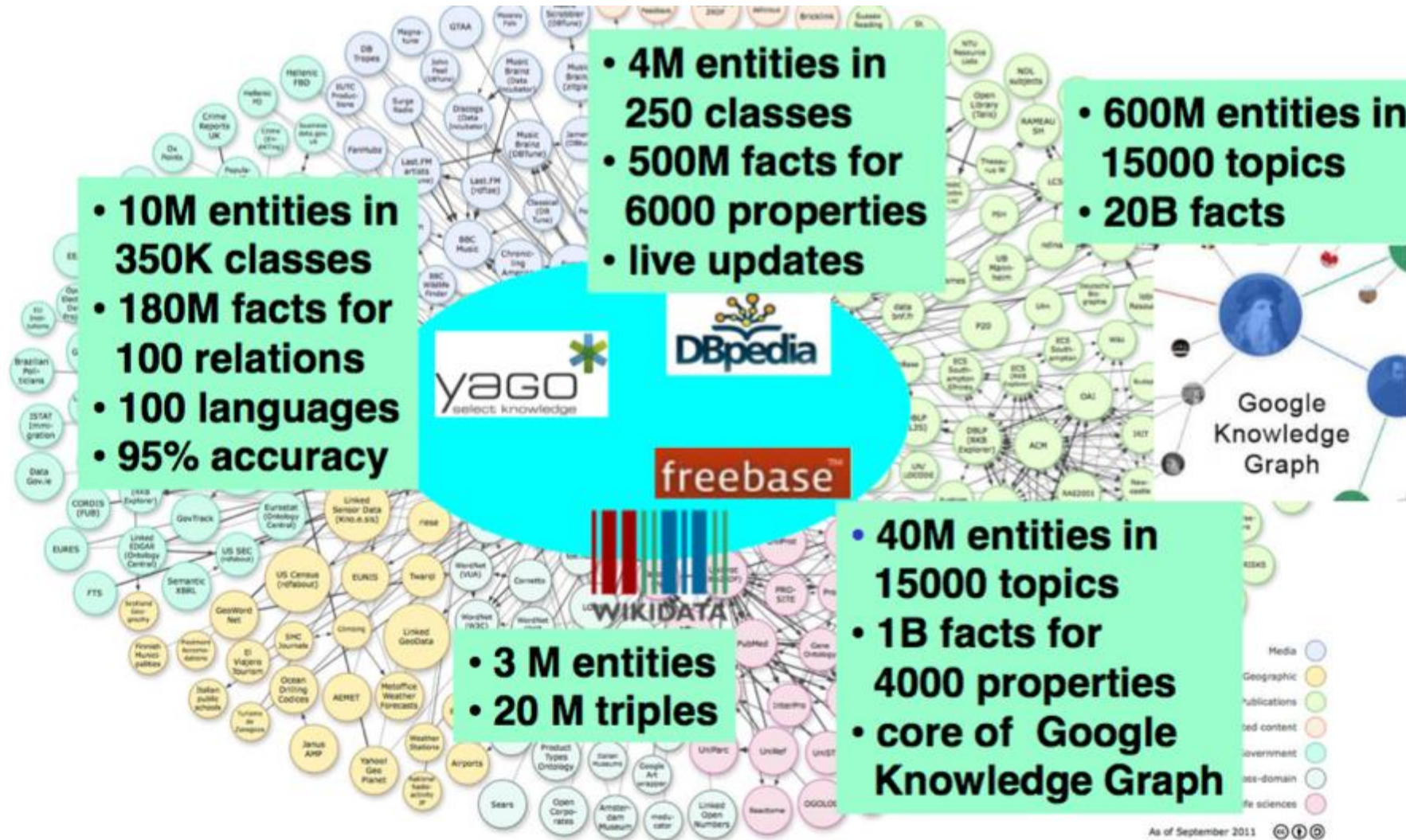
- **Example KGs**





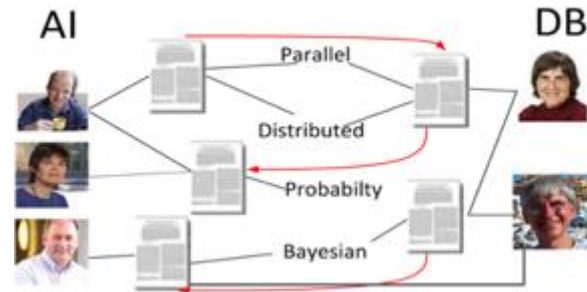
# Knowledge Graph (KG)

## ○ Statistics in Existing KGs



# Problems in HIN

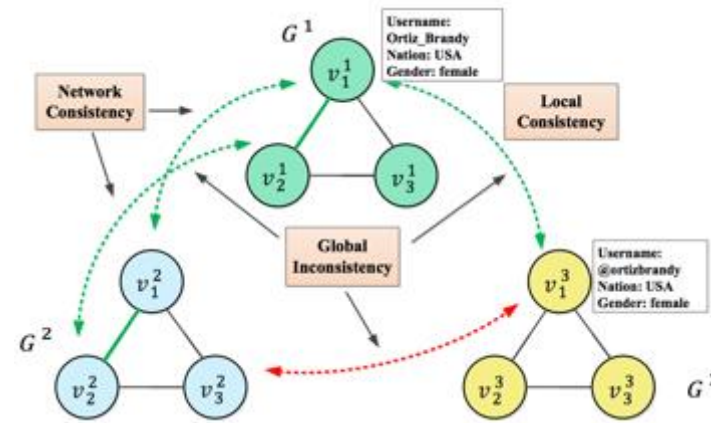
- Link Prediction



- Entity Profiling



- Data Integration

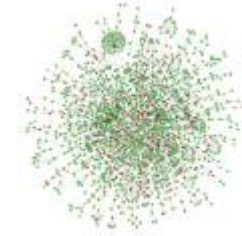


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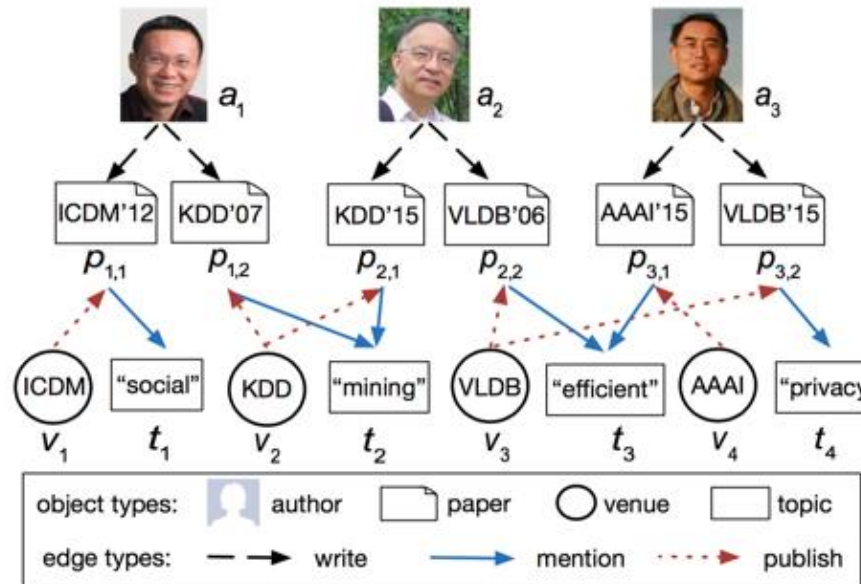
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## ○ Relevance Search

Find **Similar/Relevant** Objects in Networks



## ○ Examples



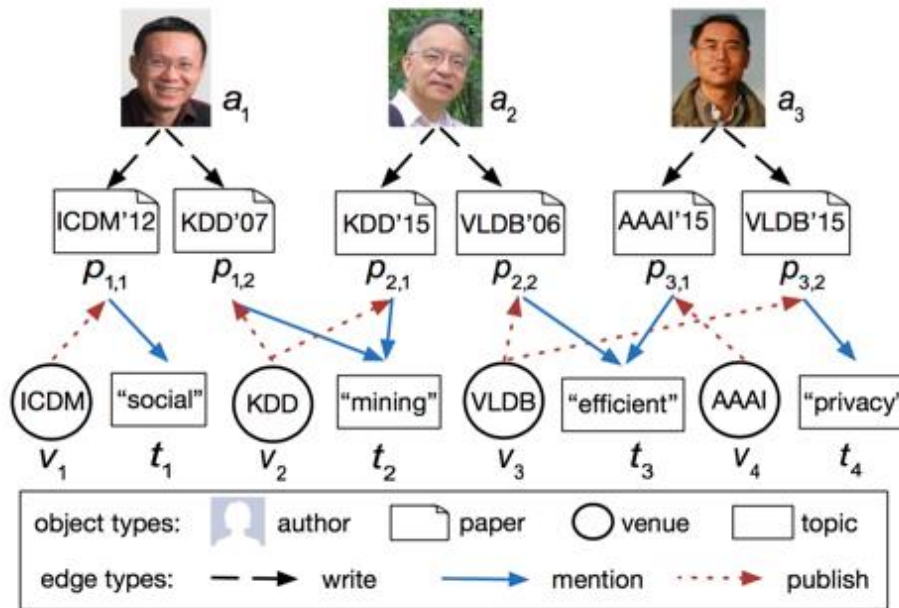
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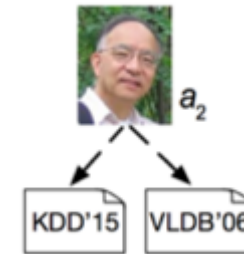
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# Overview of the Tutorial

- Where do relations (meta-path) come from?
  - Provided by experts [Sun VLDB'11]
    - Not easy for a complex schema!



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- **Query Recommendation:** to suggest alternate relevant queries to a search engine user
- **How will HIN benefit query recommendation ?**



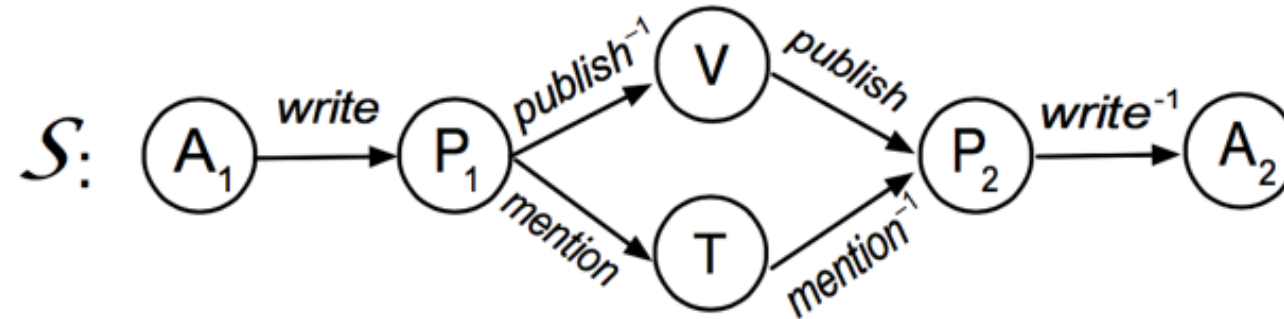
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# Overview of the Tutorial

- How can we express using more complex structure?



- **More Expressive (i.e., contain more information) than a meta path.**

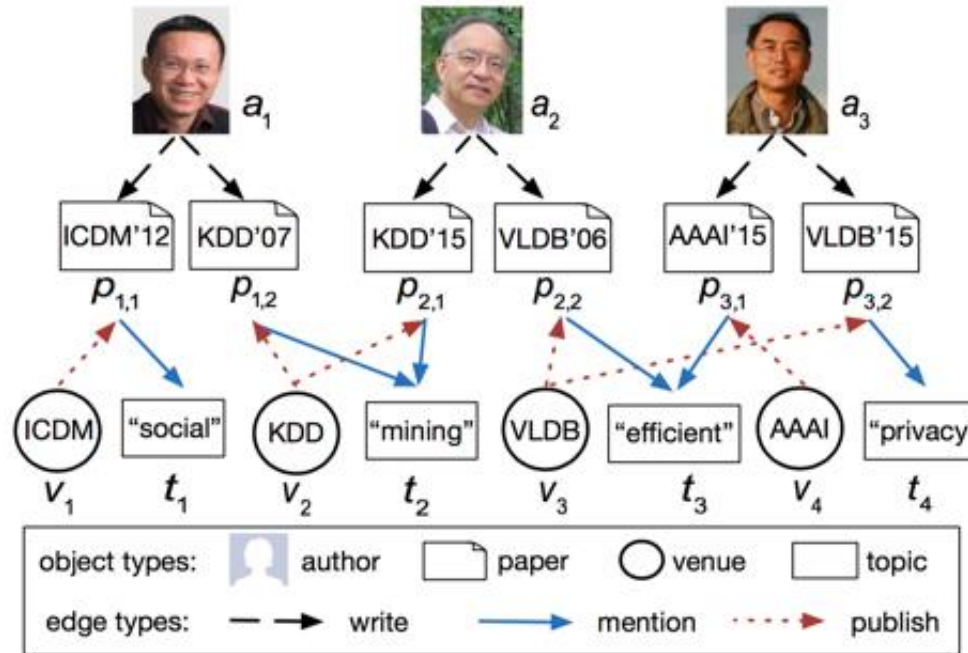
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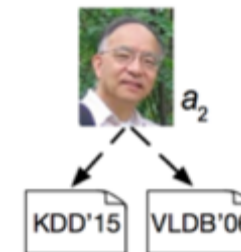
# Definition of Meta-Path

## ○ Definition [Sun et al. VLDB 2011]



## ○ Example

$$APAA \quad A \xrightarrow{\text{writing}} P \xrightarrow{\text{written-by}} A$$





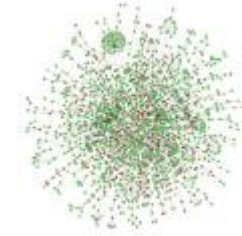
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# Relevance Search

## ○ Motivation

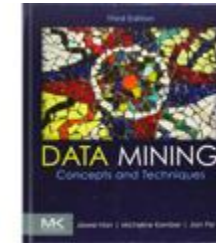
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### IMDb<sup>2</sup>

- **Who** are most similar to *Tom Cruise* ?
- **Which movie** is most relevant to *Tom Cruise*?



<sup>1</sup> <http://dblp.uni-trier.de/>

<sup>2</sup> <http://www.imdb.com/>

# Relevance Search

- **Target**

To answer these questions systematically

- **Solutions**

## How to measure the similarity?

- Define a **Effective Similarity Function** like *Cosine*, *Euclidean distance*, *Jaccard coefficient*.

## Structure similarity or Semantic similarity?

- Structure Similarity: Based on structural similarity of **sub-network** structures. (like SimRank and PPR)
- Semantic Similarity: **influenced** by **similar network** structures. This matters more for HIN! Semantic->edge relations

# SimRank

## ○ Model

**Idea:** Two objects are **similar** if they are referenced by similar objects

## ○ Definition

- $S(a,b)$  = **Average similarity** between **in-neighbors of object  $a$   $I(a)$**  and **in-neighbors of object  $b$   $I(b)$** . Between  $[0, 1]$ .

- $S(a,b) = 1$ , if  $a=b$

$$= s(a,b) = \frac{C}{|I(a)||I(b)|} \sum_{i=1}^{|I(a)|} \sum_{j=1}^{|I(b)|} s(I_i(a), I_j(b)) \quad , \text{ if } a \neq b$$

where  $c$  is the constant and  $0 < c < 1$

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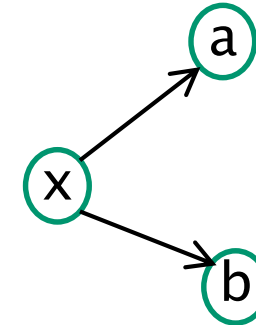


# SimRank

## ○ Example

$$S(a,a) = 1$$

$$S(a,b) = \frac{c}{1 \times 1} \times 1 = c$$



- $S(a,b)$  **ideally** should be 1.
- But, in reality the graph does **not describe everything** about them, so by using the **C** to **make  $s(a,b) < 1$** . Adding C is to express limited confidence or decay with distance.

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# Personalized PageRank (PPR)

## ○ Model

Idea: Originally defined by Google as a measure of importance for web-pages.



## ○ Definition

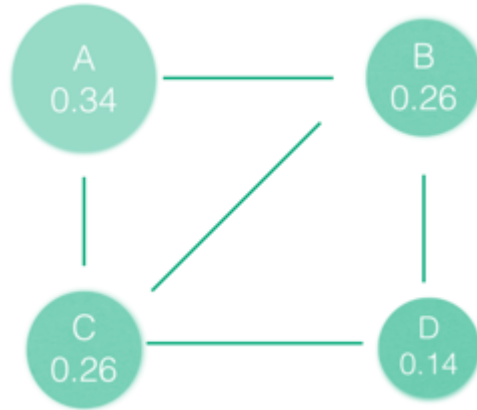
- Given a graph  $G$ , a **starting source** node  $s$ , a **target** node  $t$ , and a teleport probability  $\alpha$ . Perform random walk from  $s$ . At each step **stop with the probability**  $\alpha$ , otherwise continue **performing random walk**.

- Then the Personalized PageRank from  $s$  to  $t$  is

$$\text{PPR}_{s \sim t} = P(s \rightarrow t)$$

# Personalized PageRank (PPR)

## ○ Example



Starting from A, and  $\alpha = 0.2$   
For each target A, B, C, D

## ○ Calculation

Iterative computation (Power Method);  
Monte-carlo simulation (Approximation);  
Bookmark Coloring Algorithm, and etc...

# Path Constrained Random Walk

- **Model**

Random walk on given paths.

- **Definition**

- Performing random walks on given meta-paths with the fixed starting point and target point.
- **PCRW**: Transition probability of the random walk following **a given meta-path**.

$$\text{PCRW}(s, t | \Pi) = P(s \rightarrow t | \Pi)$$

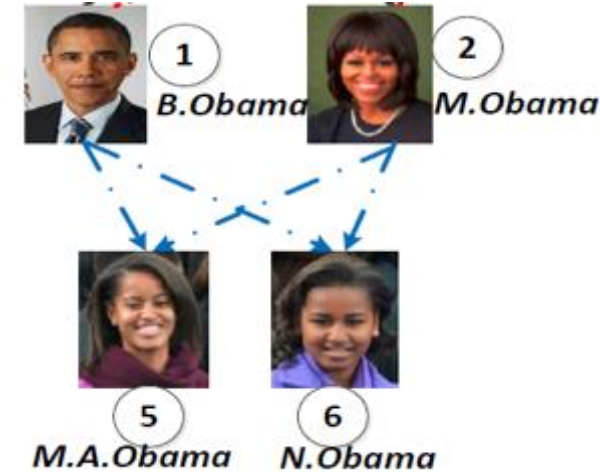
- Between  $[0, 1]$ .

# Path Constrained Random Walk

## ○ Example

$m_1$  Person  $\xrightarrow{\text{hasChild}}$  Person  $\xrightarrow{\text{hasChild-1}}$  Person

$m_1 = P1 \rightarrow P2 \rightarrow P3$



1.  $\text{Pro}(B.Obama | P1)=1$
2.  $\text{Pro}(M.A. Obama | P2) = \text{Pro}(B.Obama | P1) / 2 = 0.5$   
 $\text{Pro}(N.Obama | P2) = \text{Pro}(B.Obama | P1) / 2 = 0.5$
3.  $\text{Pro}(M.Obama | P3) = \text{Pro}(M.A. Obama | P2) / 2 + \text{Pro}(N.Obama | P2) / 2 = 0.5$   
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[Cohen ECML'11]W. Cohen, N. Lao "Relational Retrieval Using a Combination of Path-Constrained Random Walks"



# PathSim

- **Model**

- Path Counts (PC):**

- #paths following a given meta-path

- **Definition**

- Can only be applied on **symmetric** meta paths (consider the node type and link type)
  - **Normalized** version of PC. Between [0, 1].
  - $$\text{PathSim}(s, t \mid m) = \frac{2 \times \text{PC}(s, t \mid m)}{\text{PC}(s, s) + \text{PC}(t, t)}$$

# PathSim

## ○ Example

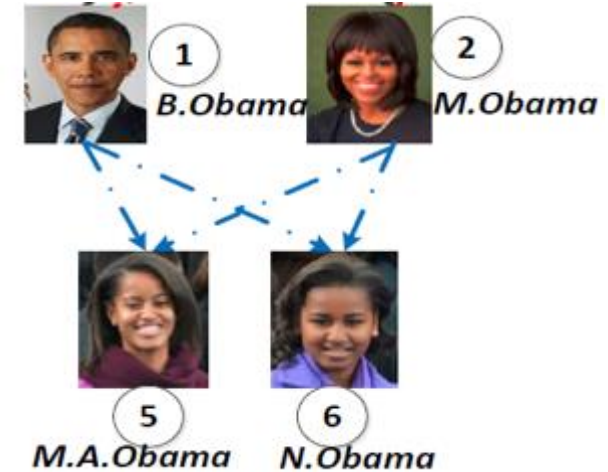
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$PC(B.Obama, M.Obama)=2$

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$PS(B.Obama, M.Obama)=2*2/(2+2) = 1$



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# HeteSim

- **Model**

Improvement of SimRank for  
Heterogeneous Information Network

- **Definition**

- Any **arbitrary** meta paths.
- Given relations  $P = R_1 \circ R_2 \circ \dots \circ R_l$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} HeteSim(s, t | R_1 \circ R_2 \circ \dots \circ R_l) = \\ \frac{1}{|O(s|R_1)||I(t|R_l)|} \sum_{i=1}^{|O(s|R_1)|} \sum_{j=1}^{|I(t|R_l)|} HeteSim(O_i(s|R_1), I_j(t|R_l) | R_2 \circ \dots \circ R_{l-1}) \end{aligned}$$

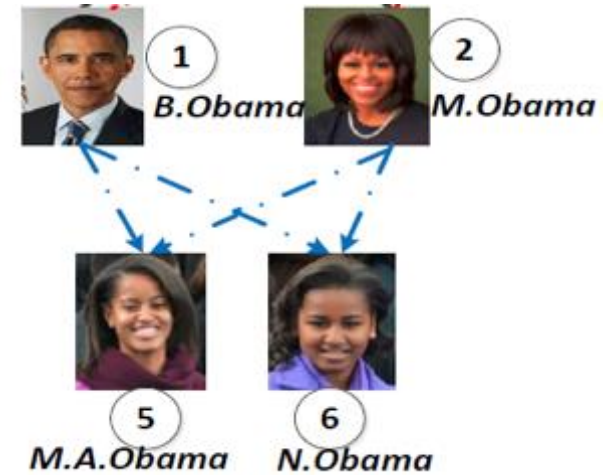
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$m_1 = P1 \rightarrow P2 \rightarrow P3$



HeteSim (B.Obama, M.Obama| $m_1$ )=

$$\frac{1}{|O_{B.Obama}| + |I_{M.Obama}|} (HeteSim(M.A.Obama, M.A.Obama) + HeteSim(N.Obama, N.Obama))$$

$$= \frac{1}{(2 \times 2)} (1 + 1) = 0.5$$

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# Comparison

- **For PathSim, HeteSim and PCRW, even for the same example they have different values.**
- **These metrics are designed for different applications or measurement scenarios.**
- **No dominating similarity measurements so far.**



# Other Measurements

- **KnowSim** (APWeb'14)

Measure similarity between nodes by RWs on given meta-path and the reverse meta-path respectively.

- **AvgSim** (ICDM'16)

Measure the similarity of Documents by modeling them into heterogeneous information networks.

- **RelSim** (SDM'16)

Measure the similarity relations in heterogeneous information network.

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# Summary

	Structure -based	Semantic- based	Symmetric?
<b>SimRank</b>	√		Yes
<b>PPR</b>	√		Yes
<b>PCRW</b>		√	No
<b>PathSim</b>		√	Yes
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# Questions

- **Where do meta paths come from?**
  - **Provided by experts [Sun VLDB'11]**
    - **Not easy for a complex schema!**
  - **Enumeration within a given length of meta paths [Cohen ECML'11]**
    - **No clue about the length!**
  - **How do I know the weights ?**

# Our Contributions (WWW'15)

- **Design a solution that:**
  - **(1) Discovers the best meta paths**
  - **(2) Learns the weights, without maximum weight specified.**

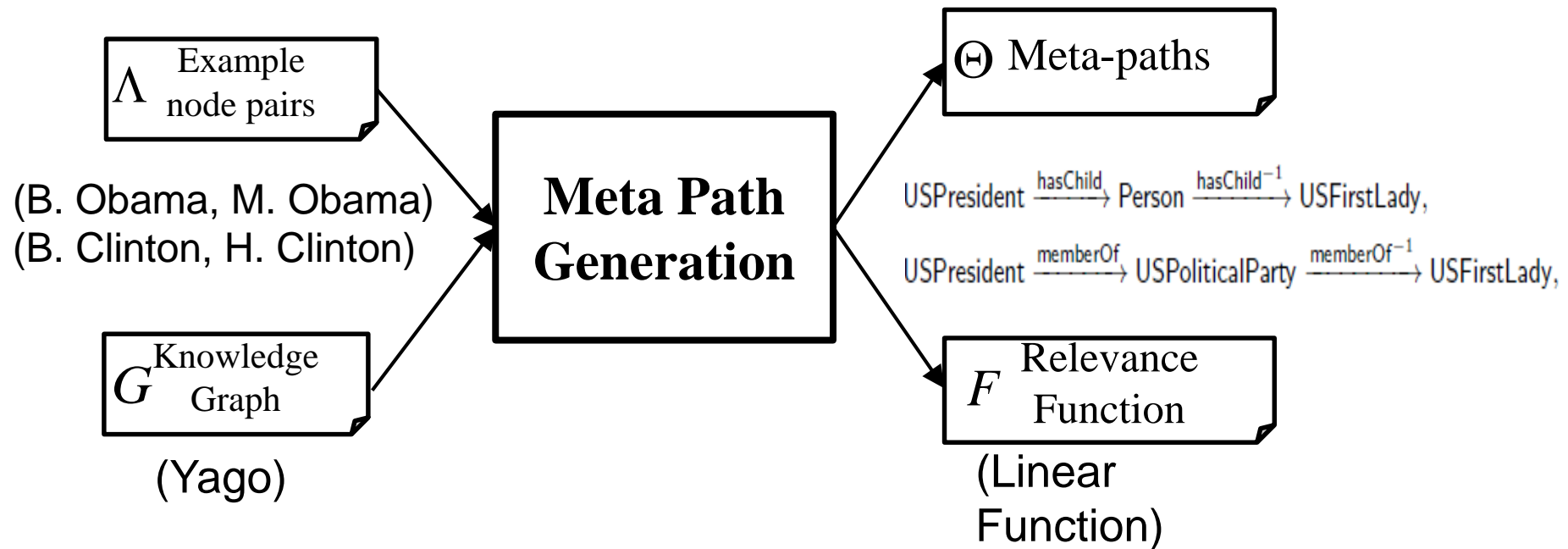
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# Meta-Path Framework

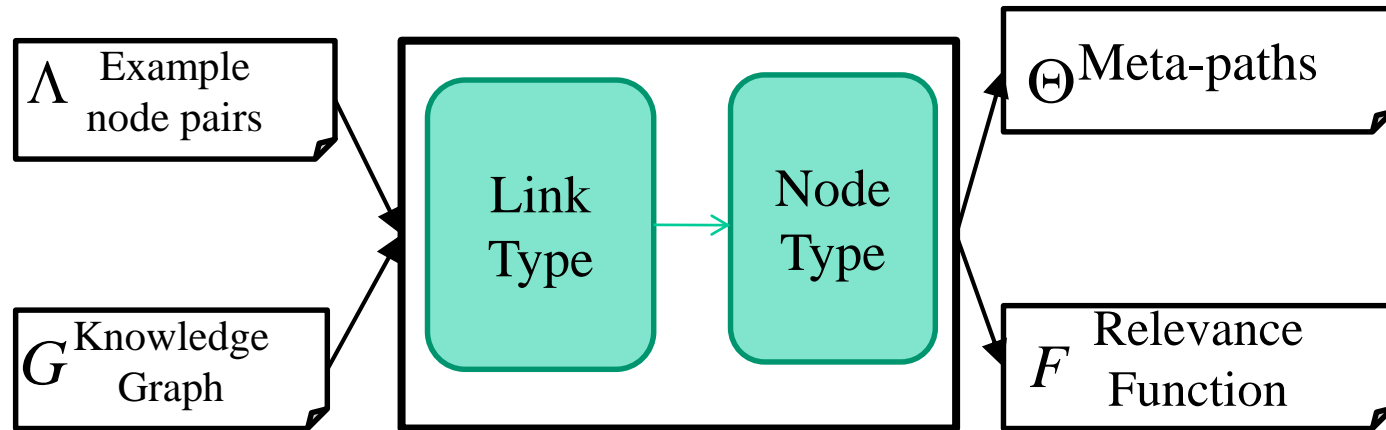
## ○ Framework



**Challenge:** Each node and edge can have many class labels. The number of candidate meta paths grows exponentially with their path lengths.

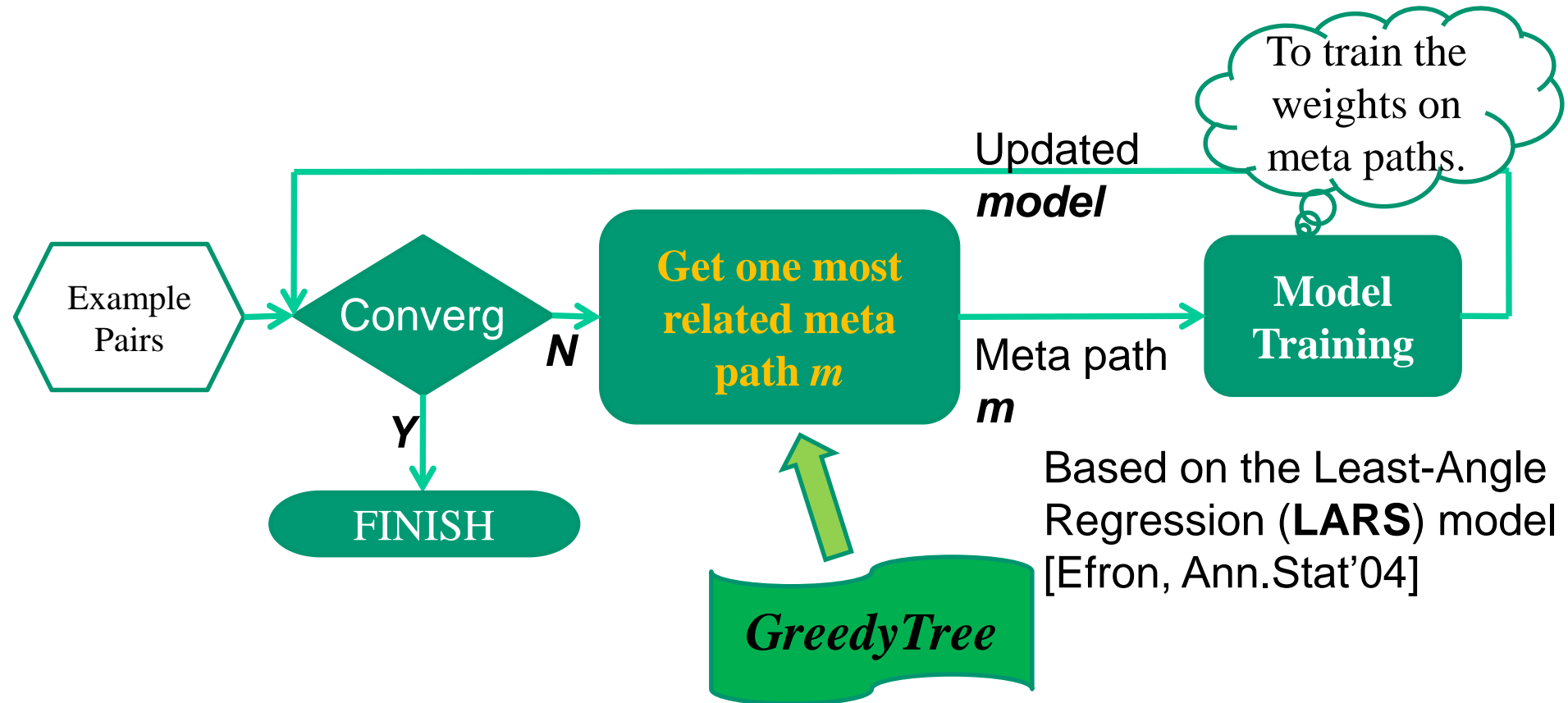
# Generating Meta-Paths

- In Two Phases



# Phase 1: Link-Only Path Generation

- **Forward Stage-wise Path Generation (FSPG)**
  - iteratively generate the most related meta-paths and update the model



# Phase 1: Link-Only Path Generation

- **GreedyTree**

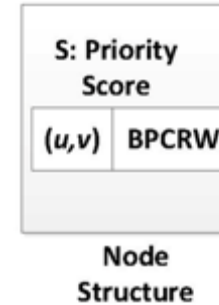
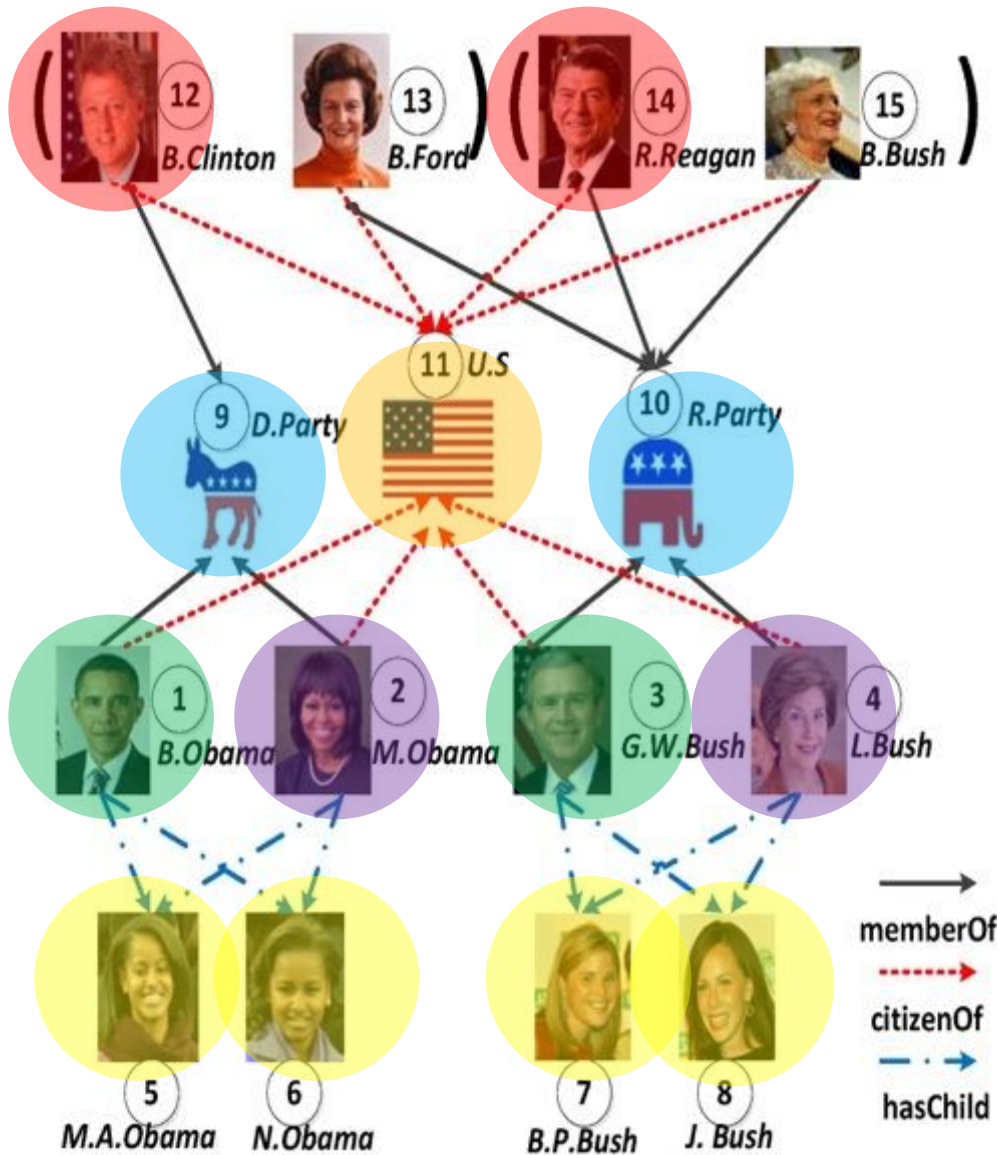
- A tree that greedily expands the node which has the largest priority score

- **Priority Score** : related to the correlation between  $m$  and  $r$ 
    - $m$  is the vector expression of a meta path,  $r$  is the residual vector which evaluates the gap between the truth and current model

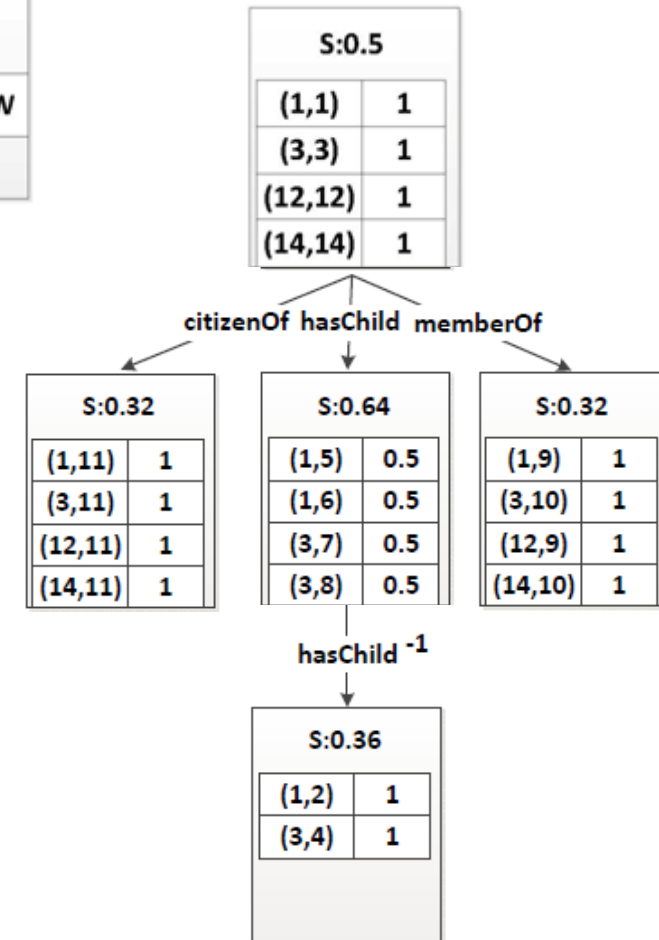
$$\cos(\mathbf{m}, \mathbf{r}) = \frac{\mathbf{m} \cdot \mathbf{r}}{\|\mathbf{m}\| \times \|\mathbf{r}\|}$$

$$S = \frac{\sum_u \sigma(u, v \mid \Pi) \cdot \mathbf{r}(u, *)}{\sqrt{\sum_u \sigma(u, v \mid \Pi)^2} \times |\mathbf{r}|} \cdot \beta^L$$

# Phase 1: Link-Only Path Generation



## GreedyTree





# Phase 2: Node Class Generation

- **Why node classes?**

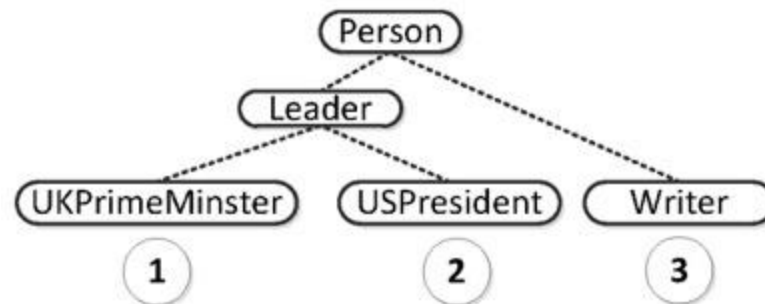
- A link only meta path may introduce some unrelated result pairs
- It is less specific

?  $\xrightarrow{\text{liveIn}}$  ?

Scientist  $\xrightarrow{\text{liveIn}}$  CapitalCity

- **Solution : Lowest Common Ancestor (LCA)**

- Record the LCA in the node of GreedyTree



# Experiments

## ○ Datasets

### – DBLP (4 areas: DB, DM, AI, IR)

- 14K papers, 14K authors, 9K topics, 20 venues.

### – Yago

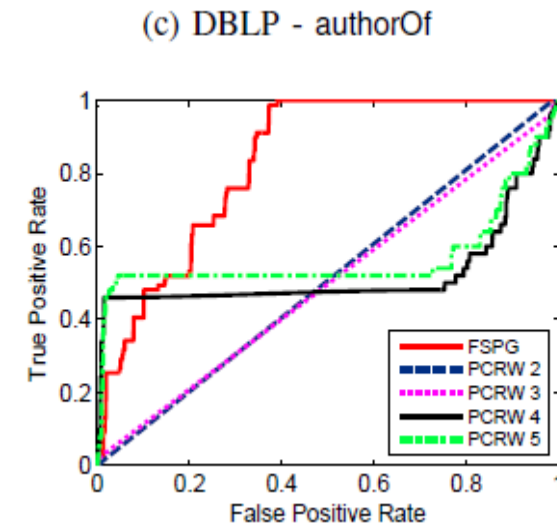
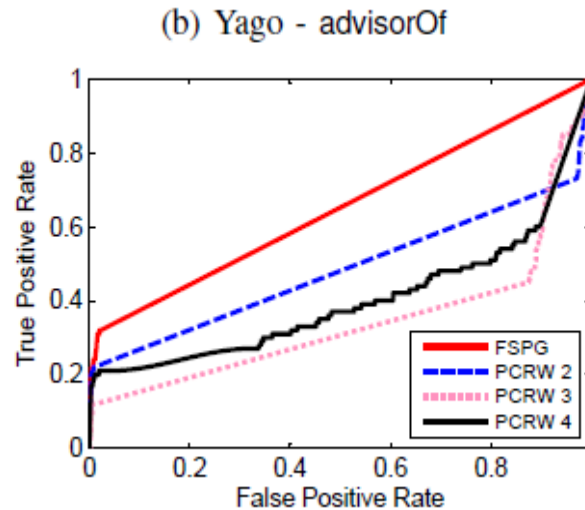
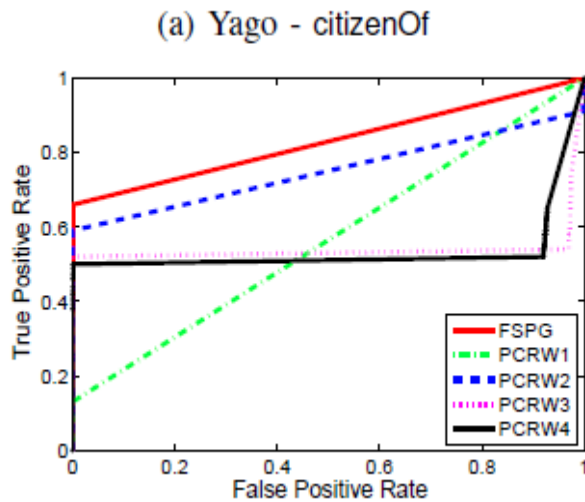
- A KG derived from Wikipedia, WordNet and GeoNames.
- CORE Facts: 2.1 million nodes, 8 million edges, 125 edge types, 0.36 million node types

## ○ Link-prediction evaluation

- Select  $n$  pairs of certain relationships as example pairs
- Randomly select another  $m$  pairs to predict the links

# Experiment 1: Effectiveness

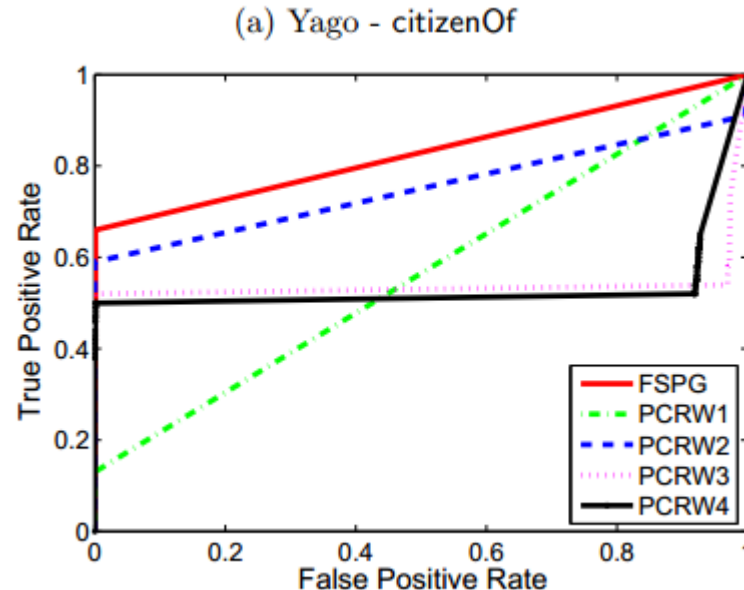
- **Baseline:** enumerate all meta paths within a given max length  $L = 1, 2, 3, 4$ 
  - $L$  is small  $\rightarrow$  low recall.
  - $L$  is large  $\rightarrow$  low precision.



ROC for link prediction

# Experiment 2

- Case study: Yago citizenOf
  - Better than direct link (PCRW 1)
  - Better than best PCRW 2
  - Better than PCRW 3,4



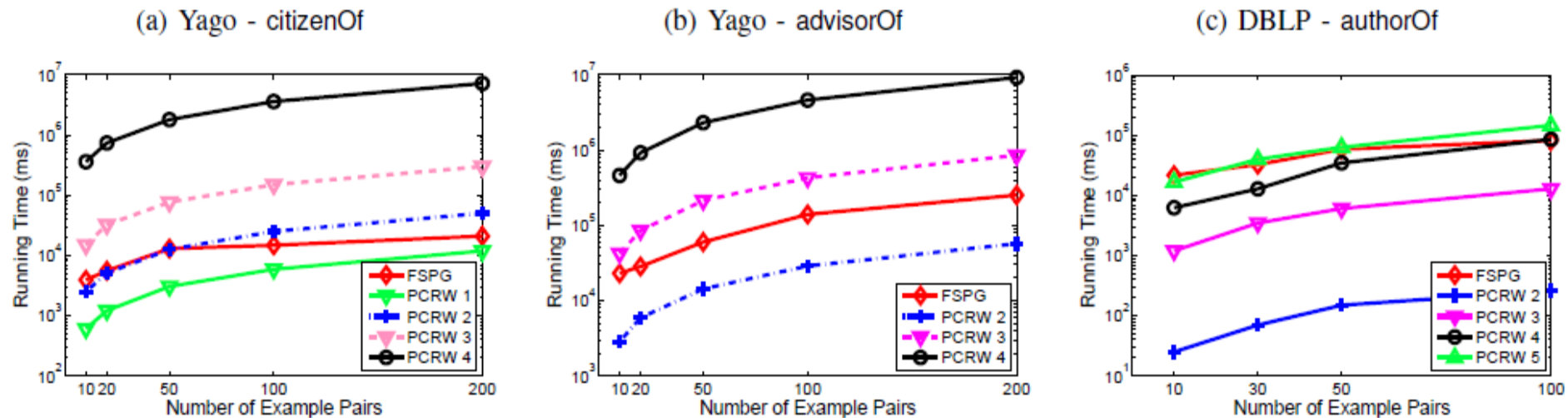
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Person	$\xrightarrow{\text{bornIn}}$	City	$\xrightarrow{\text{locatedIn}}$ Country	5.477
Person	$\xrightarrow{\text{livesIn}}$	Country		0.361
Person	$\xrightarrow{\text{graduateOf}}$	University	$\xrightarrow{\text{locatedIn}}$ Country	0.023
Person	$\xrightarrow{\text{diedIn}}$	City	$\xrightarrow{\text{locatedIn}}$ Country	0.245
Person	$\xrightarrow{\text{bornIn}}$	City	$\xrightarrow{\text{happenedIn}^{-1}}$ Event $\xrightarrow{\text{happenedIn}}$ Country	0.198

5 most relevant meta paths  
for “citizenOf”

# Experiment 3: Efficiency

## ○ Findings:

- In Yago, 2 orders of magnitude better than paths with lengths more than 2.
- In DBLP, the running time is comparable to PCRW 5, but the accuracy is much better.



Running time of FSPG



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# One Application

- **Query Recommendation: to suggest alternate relevant queries to a search engine user**
  - 1) **As you type;**
  - 2) ***Related queries***



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# Long Tail Distribution

- **Long-tail queries: queries that are not commonly requested by users**
  - “*akira kurosawa influence george lucas*”

# Motivation

- **Ubiquitous:**
  - 84% of 10M queries appear no more than 3 times.
- **Necessary:**
  - Existing works that only rely on query log alone can no longer handle well these queries.

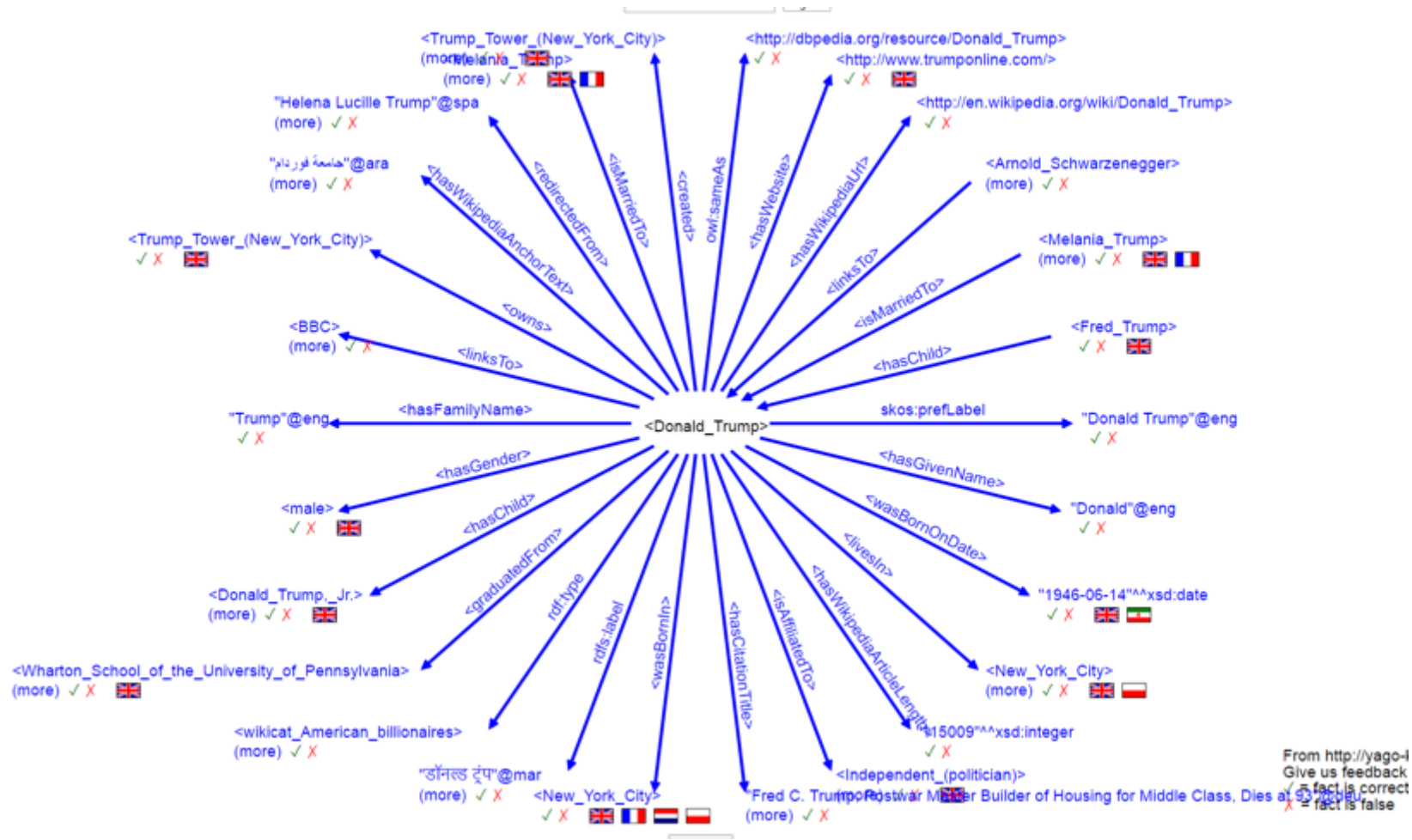
# Query Log

- **A set of user log  $\langle q, u, t, C \rangle$** 
    - **q: the query**
    - **u: user id**
    - **t: time stamp**
    - **C: the clicked URLs**
  - **Session: a time window, a mission.**
  - **Existing methods rely on query logs to analyze the flow among queries.**
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Boldi, Paolo, et al. "The query-flow graph: model and applications." Proceedings of the 17th ACM conference on Information and knowledge management. ACM, 2008.

Bonchi, Francesco, et al. "Efficient query recommendations in the long tail via center-piece subgraphs." Proceedings of the 35th international ACM SIGIR conference on Research and development in information retrieval. ACM, 2012.

# Knowledge Graph



Hoffart, Johannes, et al. "Yago2: a spatially and temporally enhanced Knowledge Graph from wikipedia." (2012).

# Relationship in the KG

- **Meta path representation:**

- **P: city nextTo city** →

- **Q: “weather Los Angeles”**

- **Rec:**

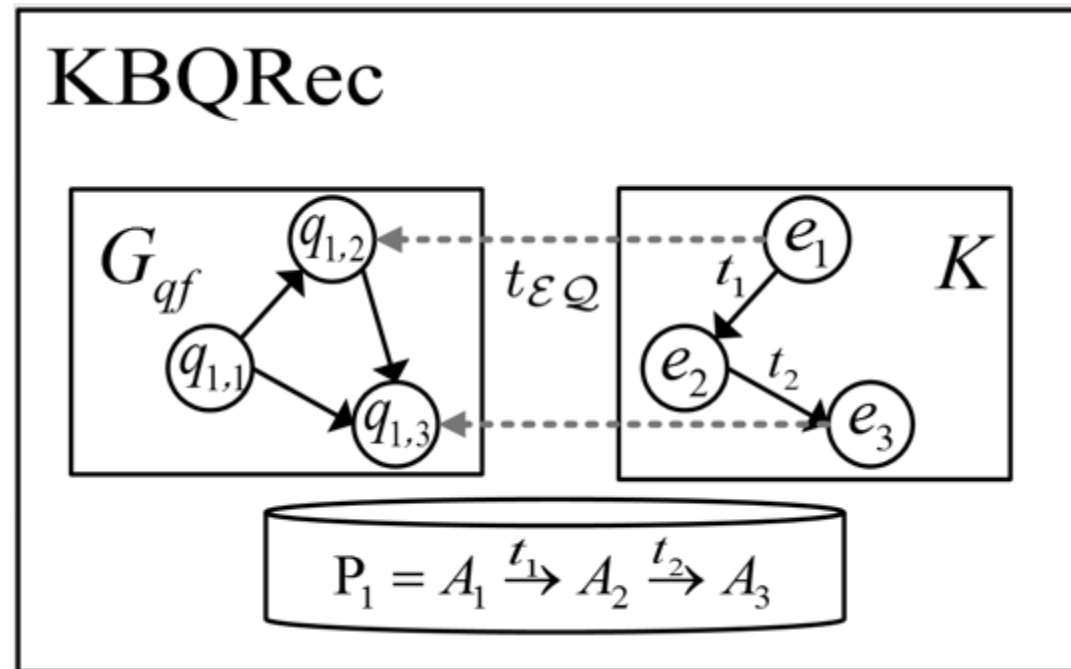
- “weather Las Vegas”
    - “weather San Diego”

[Sun, Han VLDB'11] Y. Sun, J. Han, et al “PathSim: Meta Path-Based Top-K Similarity Search in Heterogeneous Information Networks



# System Overview

- $\mathbf{G} = (\mathbf{G}_{qf}, \mathbf{K}, \mathbf{t}_{eq}, \mathbf{P})$ 
  - $\mathbf{G}_{qf}$  is a query-flow graph
  - $\mathbf{K}$  is a Knowledge Graph
  - $\mathbf{t}_{EQ}$  is a set of entity-query links
  - $\mathbf{P}$  is a set of meta path to be extracted from query log

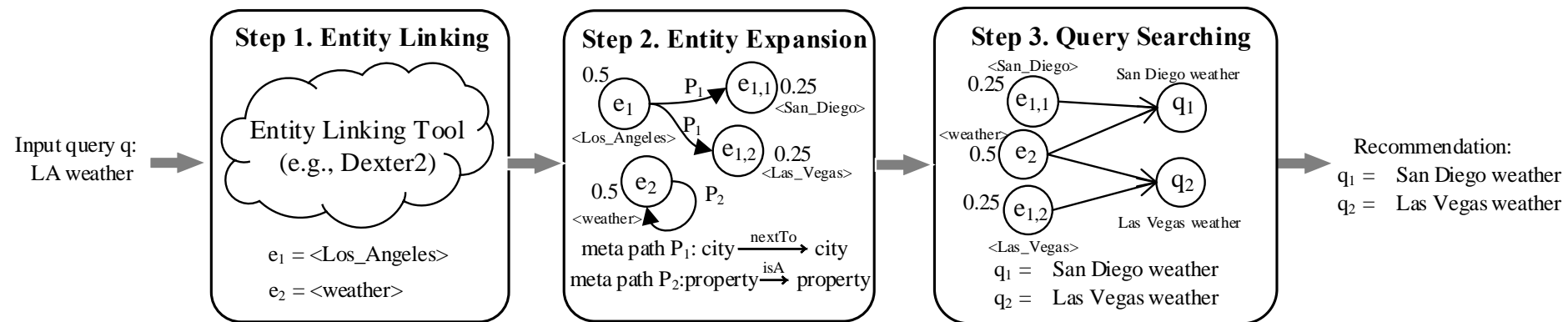


# Offline

- **$G_{qf}$  is built as described in [1].**
- **$t_{eq}$  is built from entity linking and normalizing the weights.**
- **P:**
  - **Get the set of entity pairs within the same session:  $\{(e_i, e_j) \mid e_i, e_j \in s_k\}$**
  - **Get the meta path between  $e_i$  and  $e_j$  (we use the shortest path for simplicity)**
  - **Stored by the type of  $e_i$**

# Online

- **Three Steps:**
  - **Entity Linking (use existing tool)**
  - **Entity Expansion (use P)**
  - **Query Searching (PPR)**



# Step 1: Entity Linking

- **Given**
  - $q = \text{“weather Los Angeles”}$
- **Return:**
  - $e_1 = \text{Los\_Angeles}$

Ceccarelli, Diego, et al. "Dexter: an open source framework for entity linking." Proceedings of the sixth international workshop on Exploiting semantic annotations in information retrieval. ACM, 2013.

# Step 2. Entity Expansion

- **Given**

- $e_1 = \text{Los\_Angeles}$

- **Using P:**

- city    NextTo city 

- **Return**

- $e_2 = \text{Las\_Vegas}$

- $e_3 = \text{San\_Diego}$

# Step 3. Query Searching

- **Given:**

- $e_2 = \text{Las\_Vegas}$
- $e_3 = \text{San\_Diego}$

- **Return:**

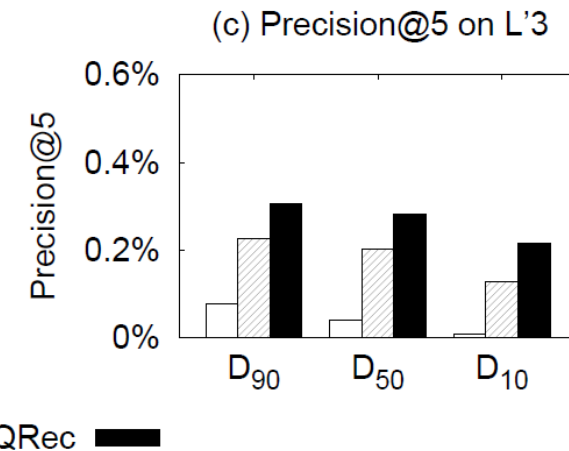
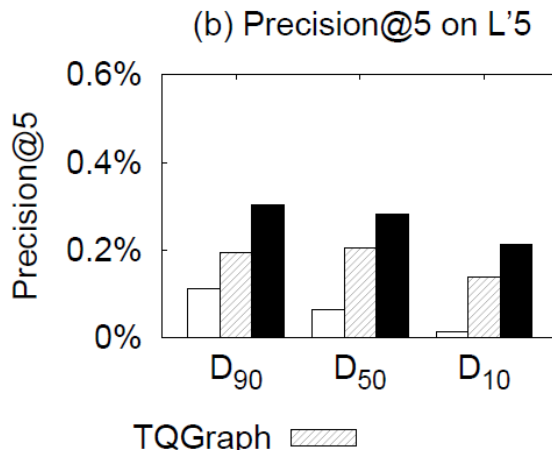
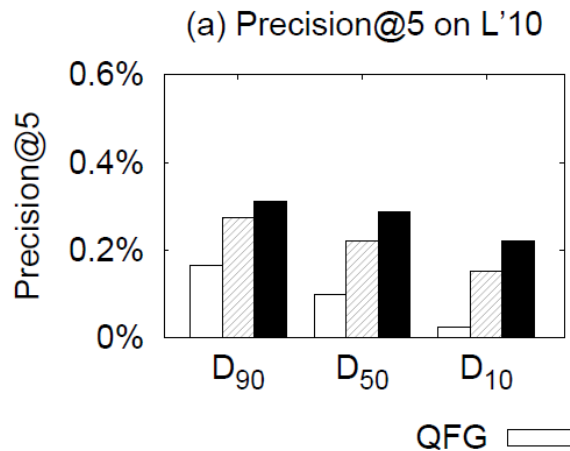
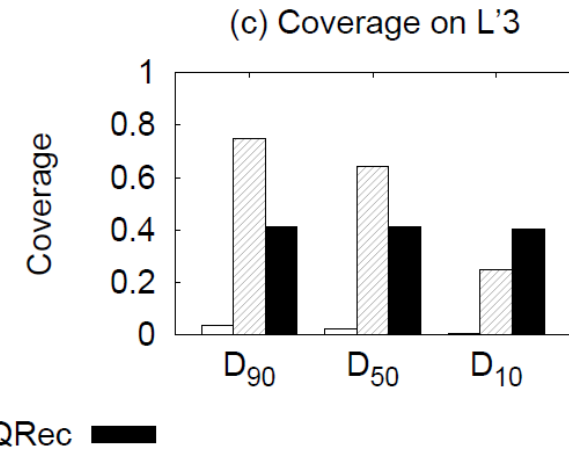
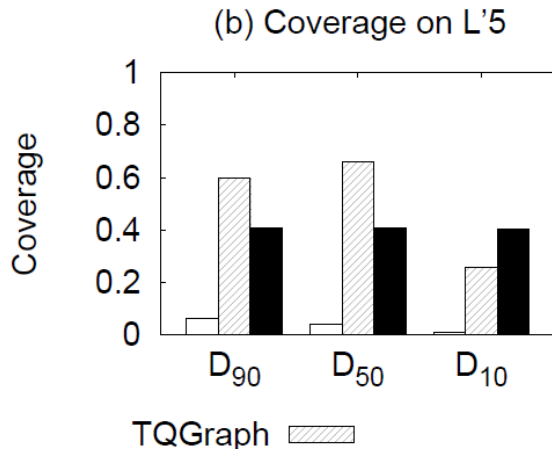
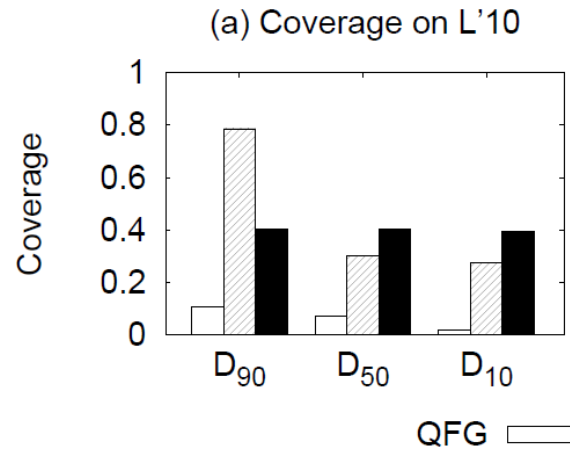
- $q_1 = \text{“weather las vegas”}$
- $q_2 = \text{“weather san diego”}$

# Experiments

- **Dataset: AOL. 20M query instances from 9M distinct queries.**
- **Use 10%, 50%, 90% for building the query log, and 10% for testing.**
- **Testing sets: We use 3, 5, 10 as the threshold for long-tail queries. We name them L'3, L'5 and L'10.**
- **Measures:**
  - **Coverage**
  - **Precision@5**



# Experimental Results



# Efficiency

- **Time for offline:**

Table 4: Efficiency for building KB-QREC's index.

	$D_{10}$	$D_{50}$	$D_{90}$
Building Time	14 min	56 min	132 min

- **Time for entity linking:**

- **60ms for Dexter2, and can reduce to 0.4ms if we use FEL method.**

Table 5: Efficiency (in ms)

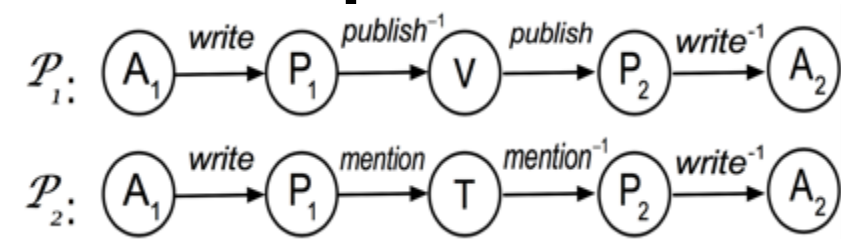
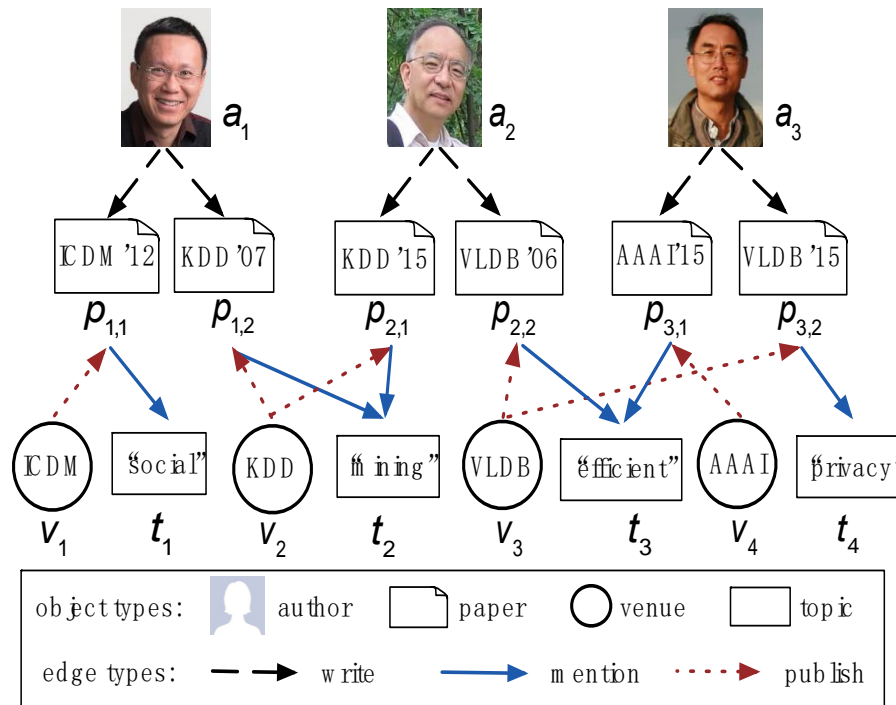
	entity expansion	PPR (no cache)	PPR (cache)	KB-QREC (no cache)	KB-QREC (cache)
$D_{90}$	34 ms	91 ms	9 ms	143 ms	60 ms
$D_{50}$	34 ms	55 ms	5 ms	100 ms	47 ms
$D_{10}$	33 ms	13 ms	1 ms	59 ms	37 ms

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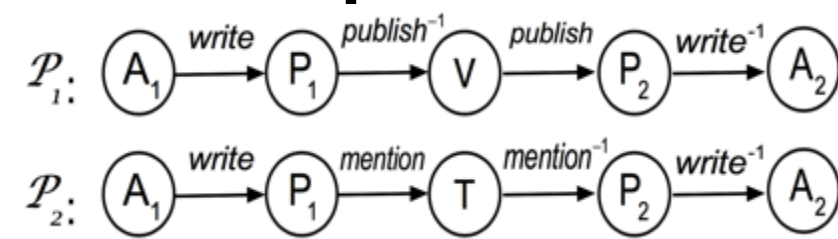
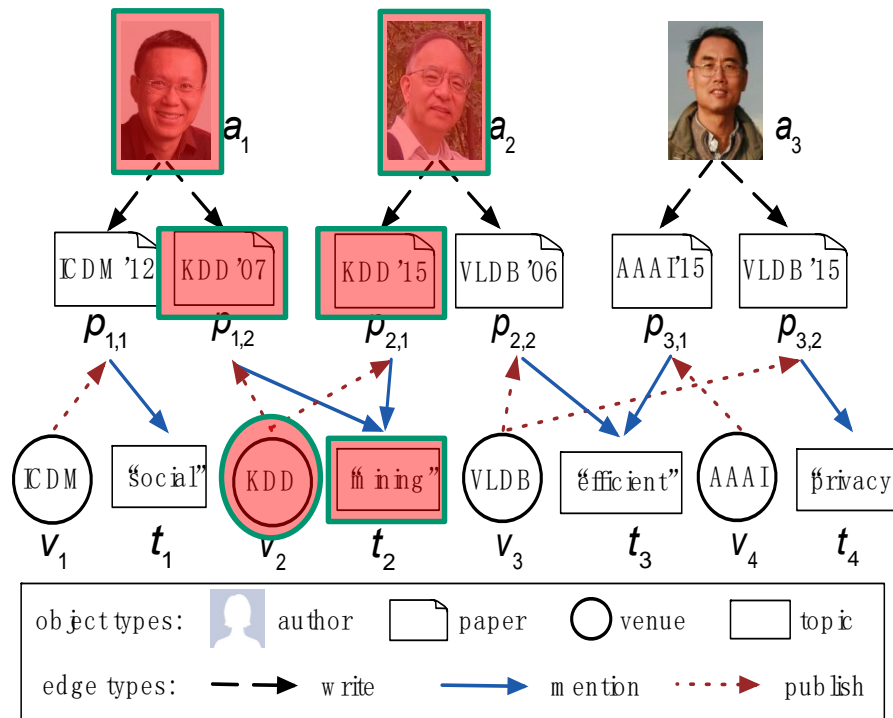
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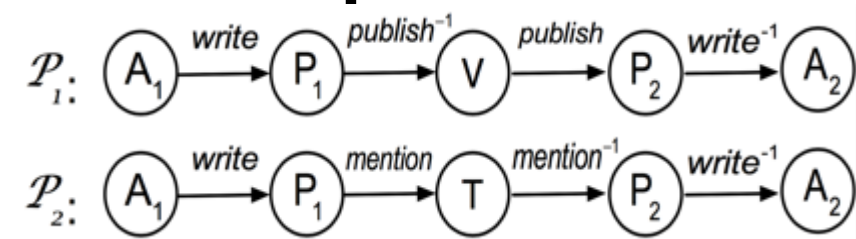
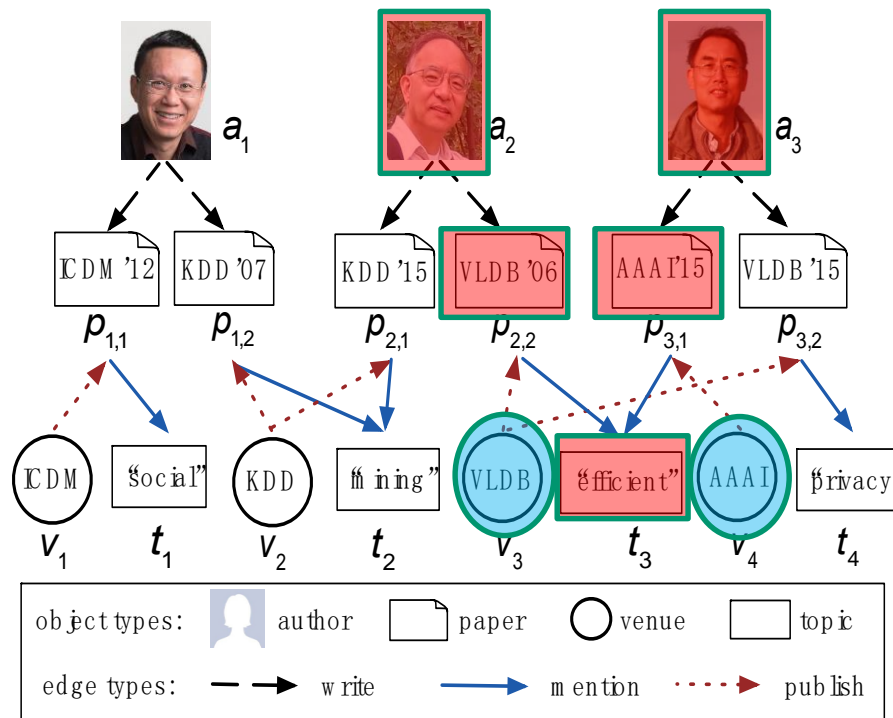
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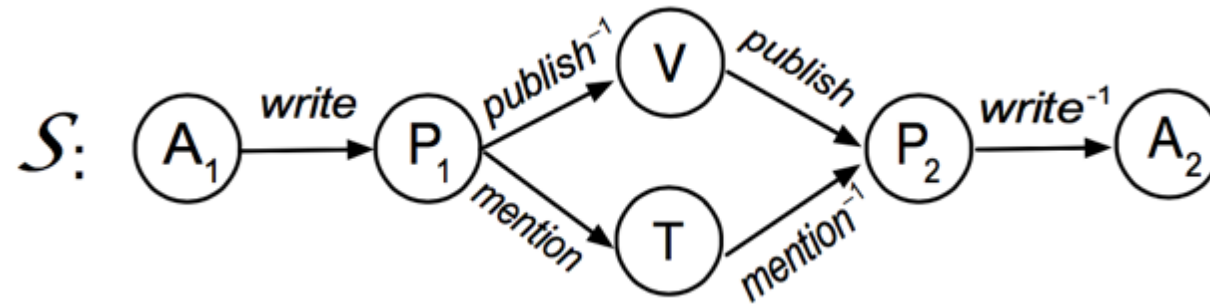
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# Meta Structure

- A meta structure is a directed acyclic graph (DAG) with a single source and sink (target) node



- More Expressive (i.e., contain more information) than a meta path.



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# Relevance Measure 1: StructCount

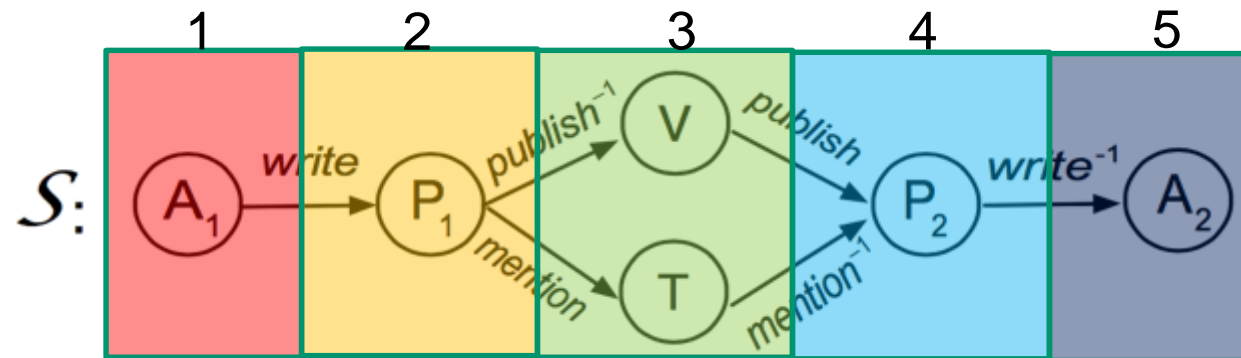
- ***StructCount***: extension of *PathCount*

$$\text{StructCount}(x_0, y_0 \mid S) = |\text{GraphIns}(x_0, y_0 \mid S)|$$

- **StructCount** biases towards popular objects with a large number of links.

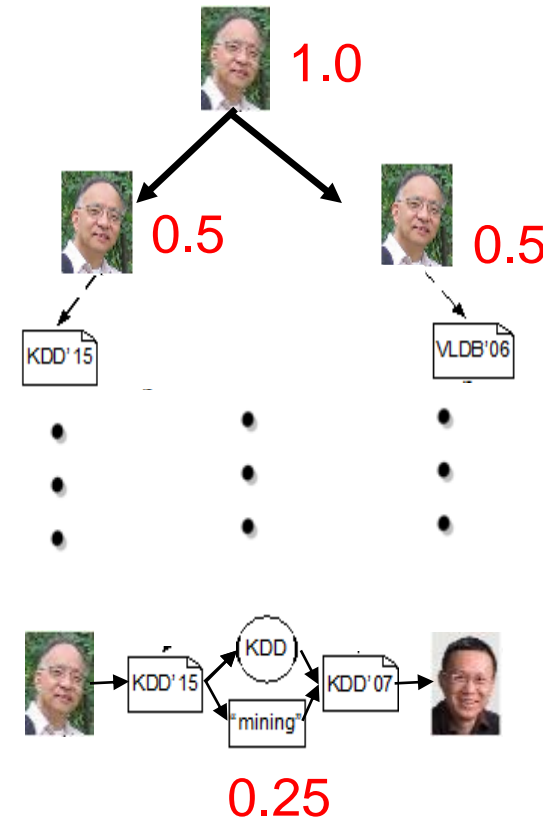
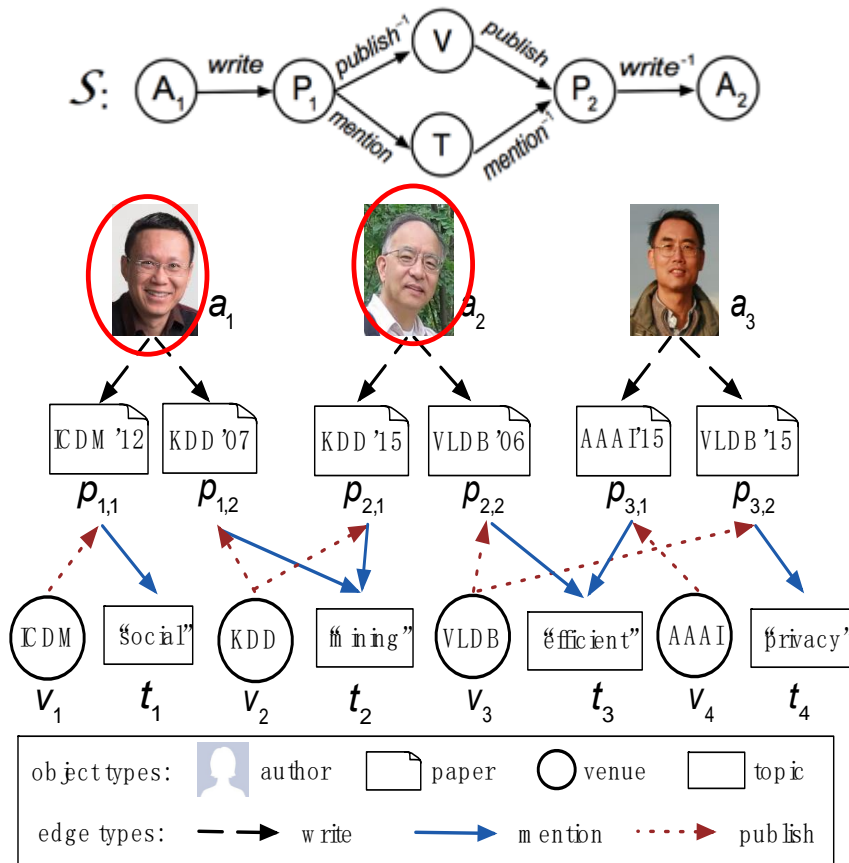
# Layers of Meta Structure

- The layer of meta structure is a topological ordering of a DAG

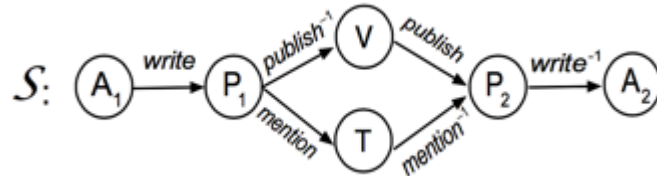


# Relevance Measure 2: SCSE

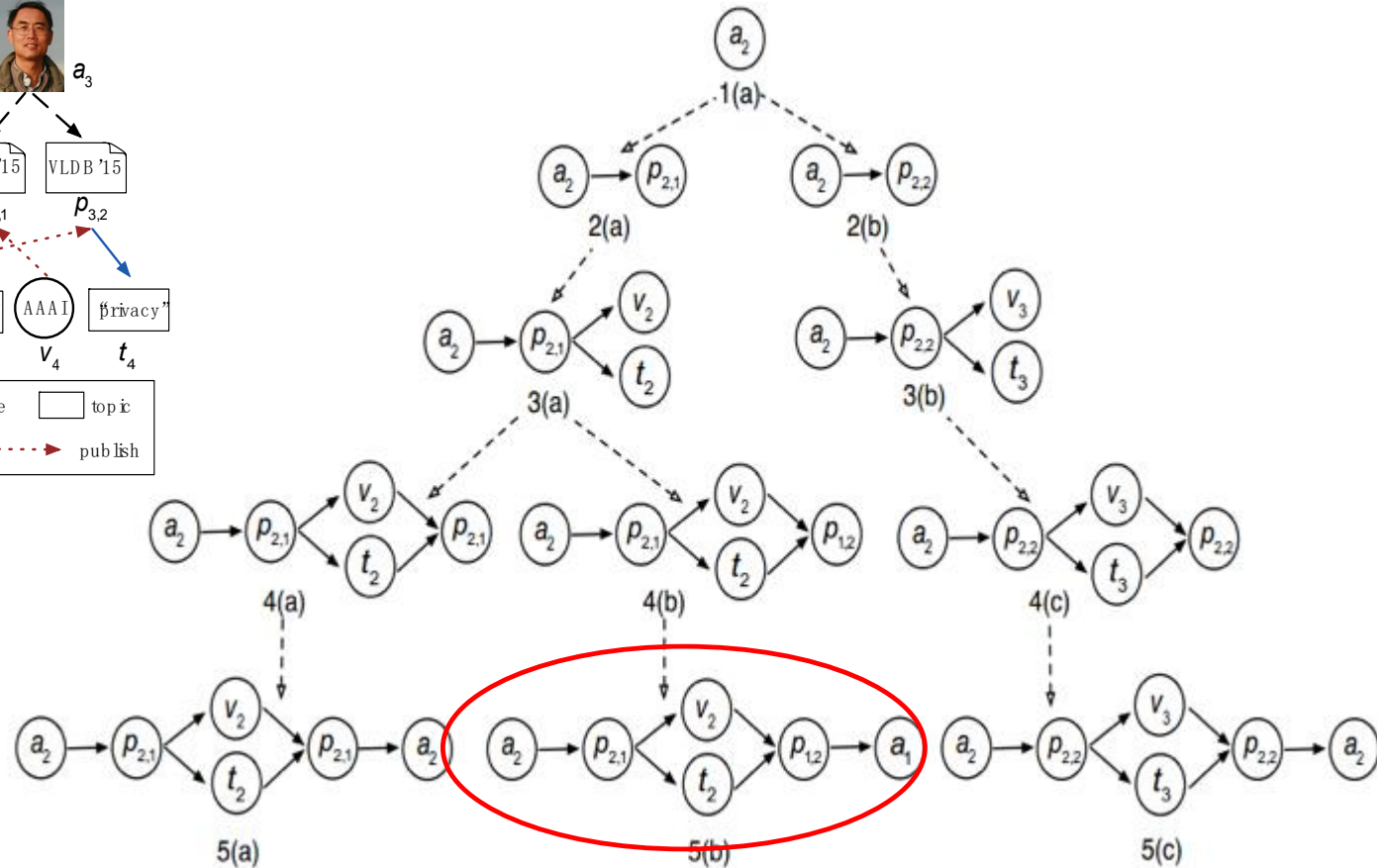
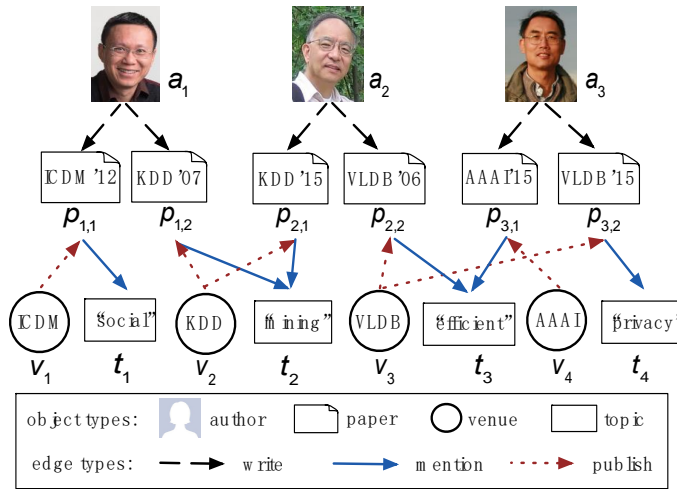
- **Structure Constrained Random Walk (SCSE):**  
extension of PCRW.



# Relevance Measure 2: SCSE



$$SCSE(g, i | S, o_t) = \frac{\sum_{g' \in \sigma(g, i | S, G)} SCSE(g', i + 1 | S, o_t)}{|\sigma(g, i | S, G)|},$$



# Relevance Measure 3: BSCSE

- **Biased Structure Constrained Random Walk (BSCSE): extension of BPCRW.**
  - A combination of SC and SCSE
  - SC             $0 \leftarrow \rightarrow 1$             SCSE

$$BSCSE(g, i | \mathcal{S}, o_t) = \frac{\sum_{g' \in \sigma(g, i | \mathcal{S}, G)} BSCSE(g', i + 1 | \mathcal{S}, o_t)}{|\sigma(g, i | \mathcal{S}, G)|^\alpha},$$

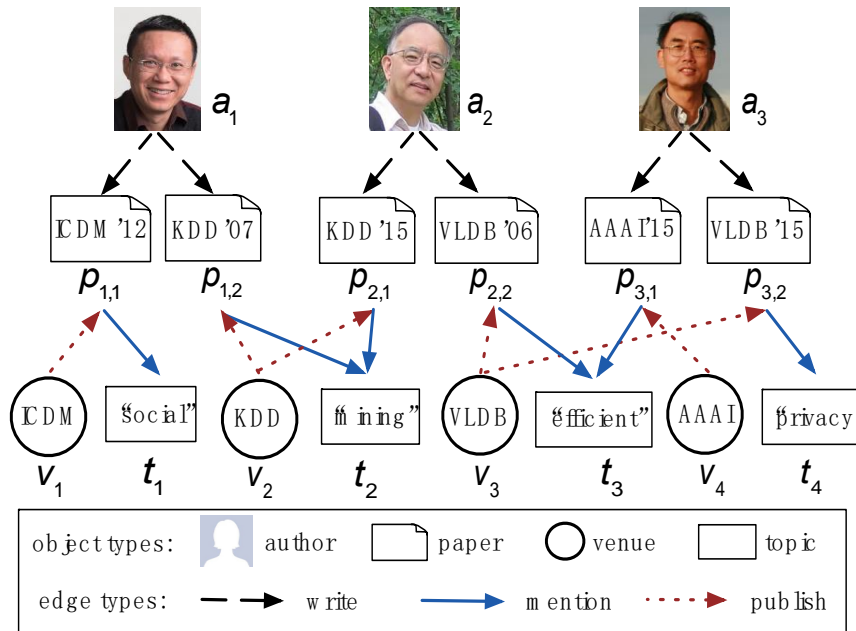
# Relevance Measures: Summary

Meta Path	Meta Structure	Meaning
PathCount	<b>StructCount</b>	# of meta-path/structure instances
PCRW	<b>SCSE</b>	Random walk probability on meta-path/structure
BPCRW	<b>BSCSE</b>	Combination of count and probability



# i-LTable

- Index the probability distribution starting from the  $i$ -th layer of a meta structure.

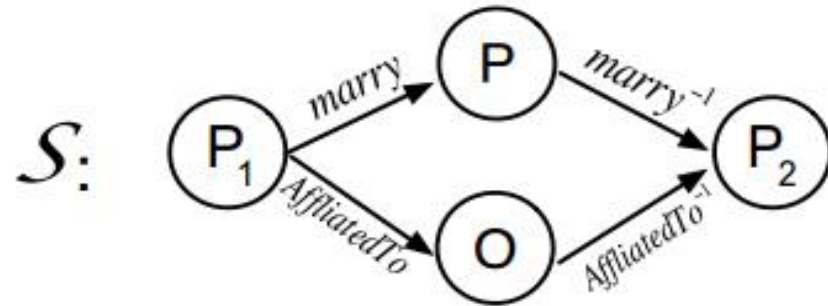
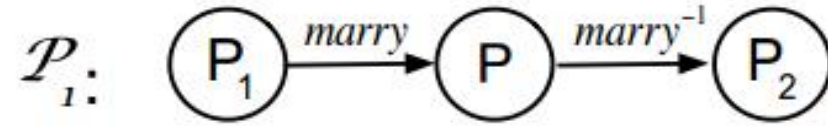


Key / layer 3	Value
<ICDM, social>	<Pei, 1.0>
<KDD, mining>	<Pei, 0.5>
	<Han, 0.5>
<VLDB, efficient>	<Han, 1.0>
<VLDB, privacy>	<Yang, 1.0>
<AAAI, efficient>	<Yang, 1.0>

# Experiment: Entity Resolution

- On YAGO, we have duplicated entities, e.g., *Barack\_Obama* and *Presidency\_Of\_Barack\_Obama*
- We retrieve the top-k pairs; the high relevance of the node pairs indicates that the nodes are duplicated
- Area under PR-Curve (AUC)

# Experiment: Entity Resolution

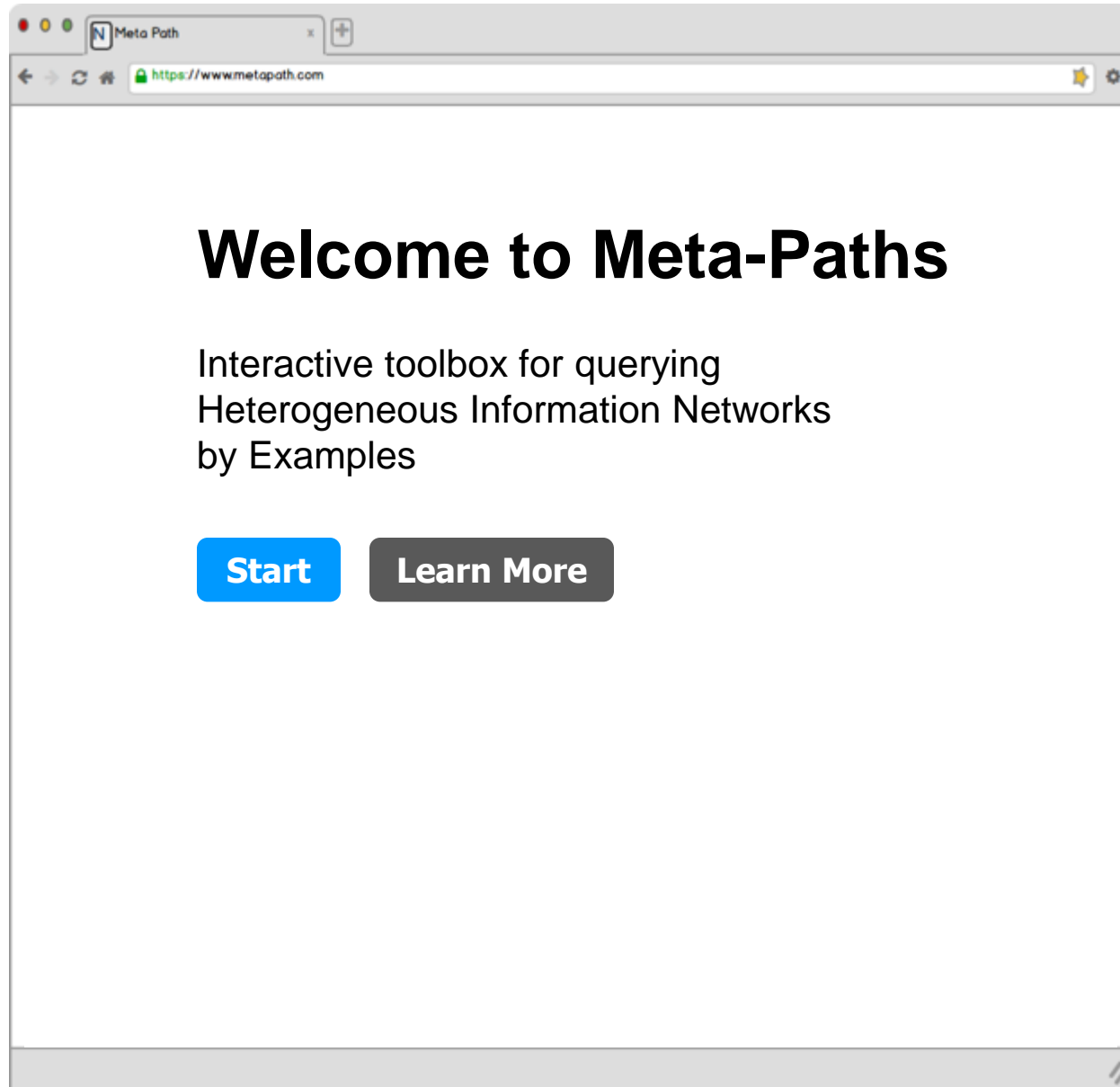


	P1			P2		
Measure	PathCount	PCRW	PathSim	PathCount	PCRW	PathSim
AUC	0.1324	0.0120	0.0097	0.0003	0.0014	0.0002
	Linear Combination(optimal )			Meta Structure S		
Measure	PathCount	PCRW	PathSim	SC	SCSE	BSCSE*
AUC	0.2898	0.2606	0.2920	0.5556	0.5640	<b>0.5640</b>

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# Meta-Paths Demo



# New Query

Meta Path

https://www.metapath.com

Meta Path Search

1. Example node pairs


2. FSPG


3. Meta-paths

4. Node pair generation

5. Summary

Add a Training Pair

Source Node	Target Node	
Bar	Michelle Obama	
Barack Obama		

 Add

Proceed

# FSPG Execution

The screenshot shows a web browser window with the address bar displaying <https://www.metapath.com>. The page title is "Meta Path Search". On the left, a sidebar contains a list of steps: "1. Example node pairs", "2. FSPG", "3. Meta-paths", "4. Node pair generation", and "5. Summary". The main content area is titled "Add a Training Pair". It features two input fields: "Source Node" with a dropdown menu showing "Bar" and "Barack Obama" (the latter is selected), and "Target Node" with a text input containing "Michelle Obama". Below these fields is a cluster of black dots of varying sizes. At the bottom left of the main area is an "Add" button with a plus icon. At the bottom right is a "Proceed" button. A blue line originates from the "Proceed" button and points to a text box on the right.

The FSPG algorithm will be triggered on the server, returning the results upon completion.

# Generated Meta-Paths

The screenshot shows a web browser window with the address bar displaying <https://www.metapath.com>. The page title is "Meta Path". The main content area is titled "Meta Path Search" and is divided into two sections: "Meta-path Search" on the left and "Meta-path Results" on the right.

The "Meta-path Search" section contains a list of navigation links:

1. Example node pairs
2. FSPG
3. Meta-paths
4. Node pair generation
5. Summary

The "Meta-path Results" section displays a table of generated meta-paths and their weights. The table has two columns: "Meta-path" and "Weight".

Meta-path	Weight
USPresident $\xrightarrow{\text{hasChild}}$ Person $\xrightarrow{\text{hasChild}^{-1}}$ USFirstLady	3.751
USPresident $\xrightarrow{\text{memberOf}}$ USPoliticalParty $\xrightarrow{\text{memberOf}^{-1}}$ USFirstLady	1547
USPresident $\xrightarrow{\text{citizenOf}}$ Country $\xrightarrow{\text{citizenOf}^{-1}}$ USFirstLady	0.235

A "Proceed" button is located at the bottom right of the "Meta-path Results" section.



# Node Pair Generation

Meta Path Search

1. Example node pairs  
2. FSPG  
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4. **Node pair generation**  
5. Summary

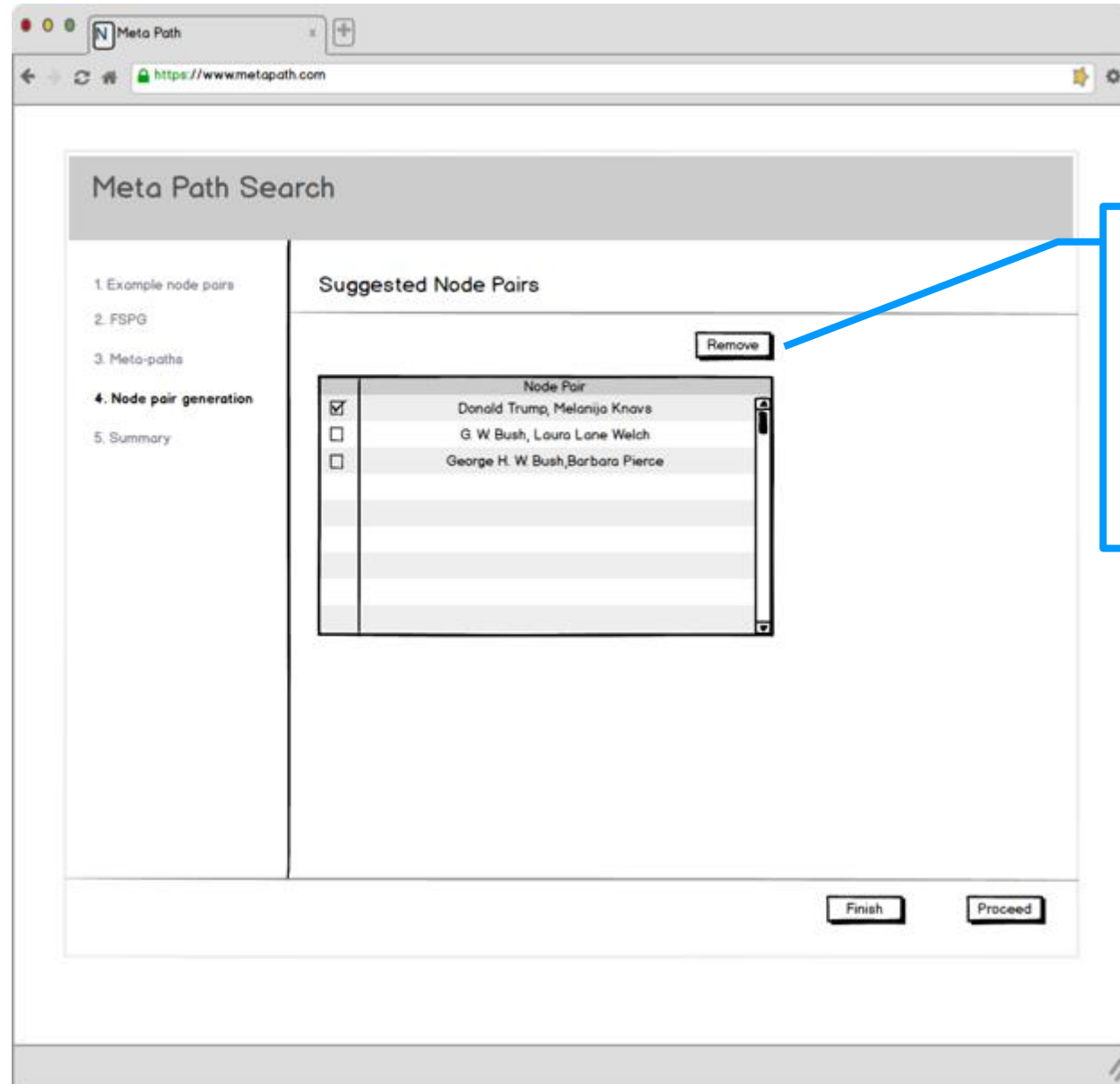
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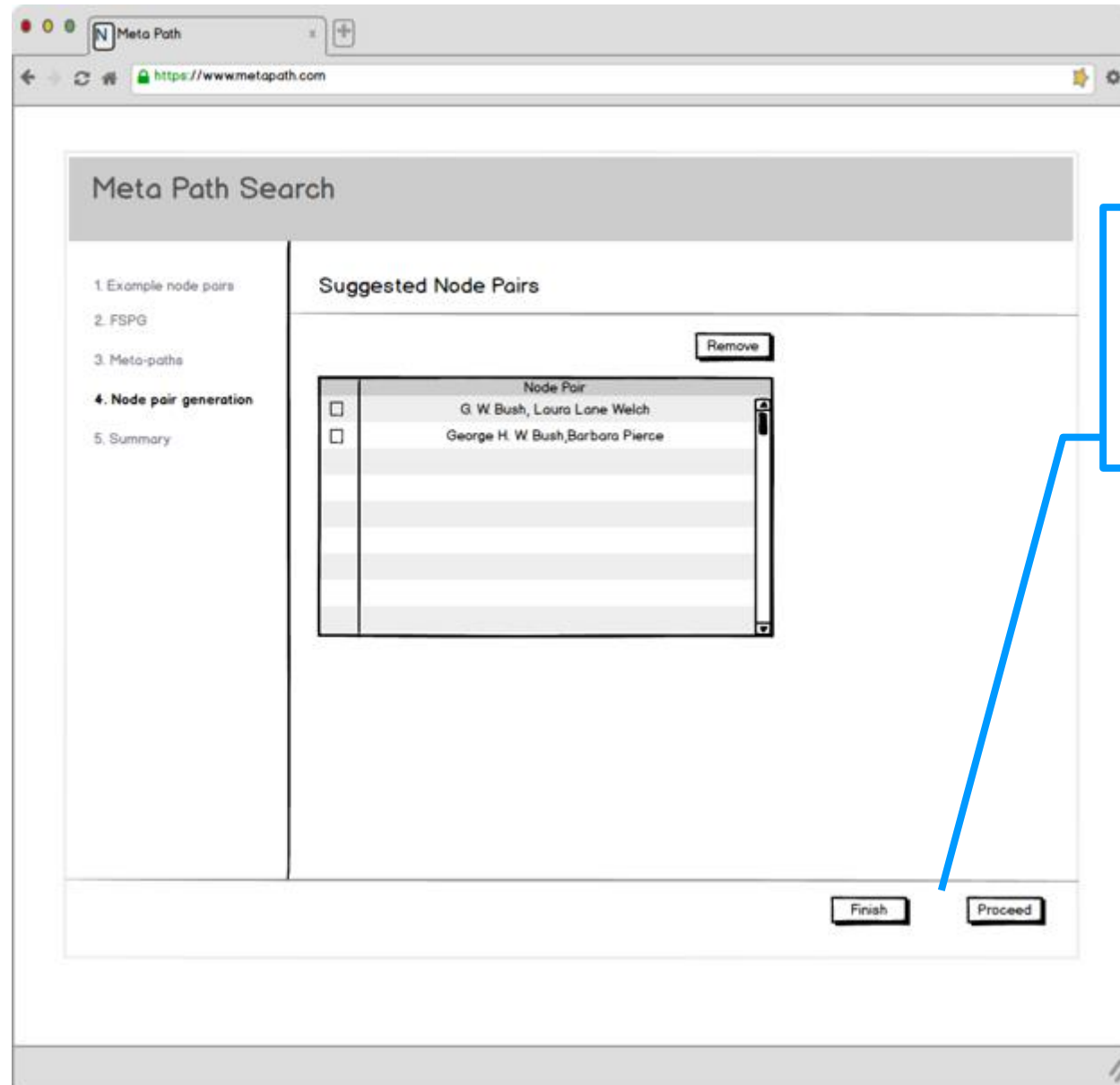
Proceed

Results of the Meta-Paths algorithm are shown. Upon clicking "Proceed", the node pair generation service will be triggered on the server.

# Suggested Node Pairs

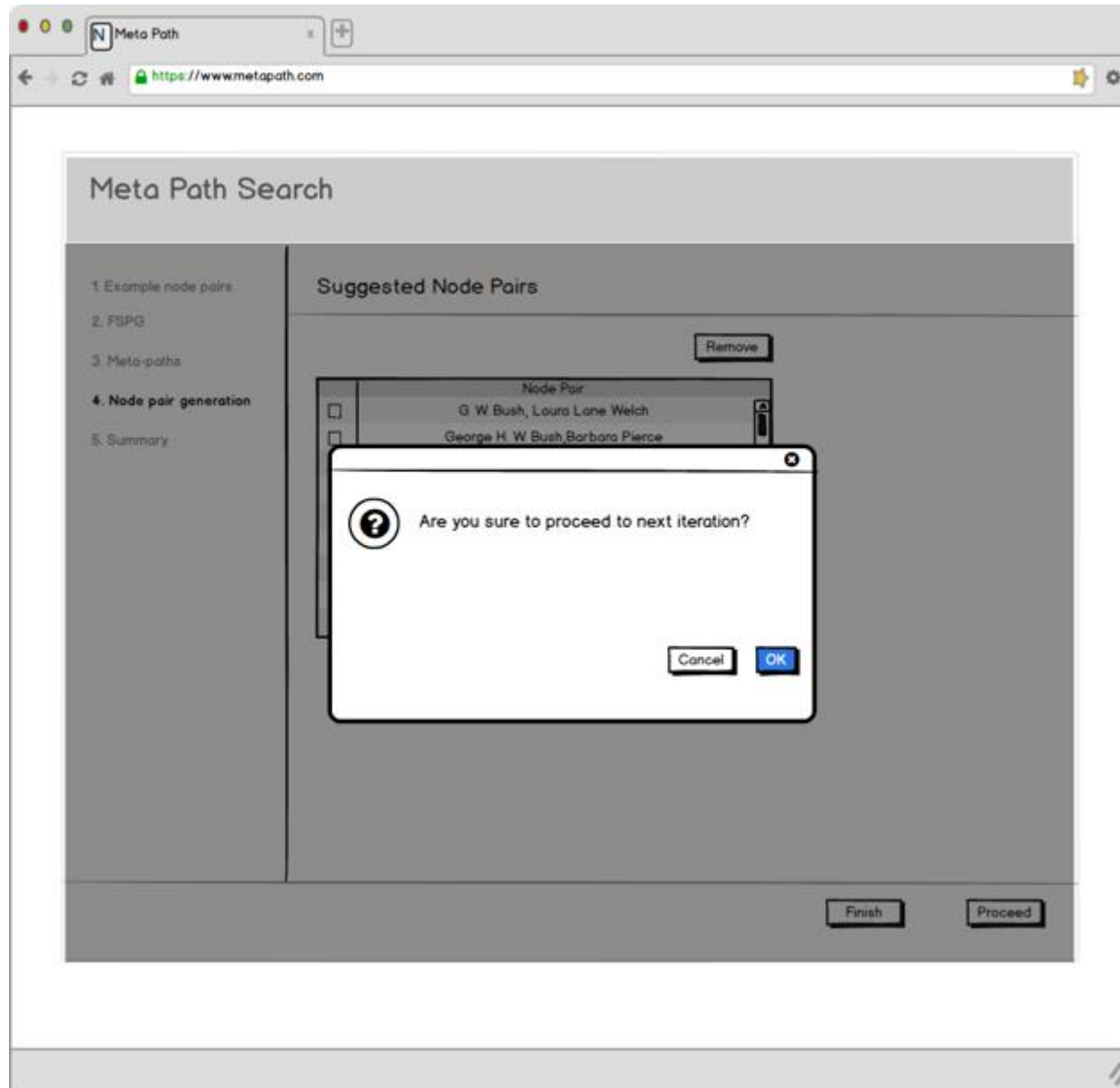


# Fine-tuning Node Pairs



Click "Proceed" to start the next iteration, or "Finish" to view the final query results.

# Next Iteration



# Final Results

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The "Example Node Pairs" section contains a table with the following data:

Node Pair
Barack Obama, Michelle Obama

The "Meta-paths" section displays a diagram showing three paths from "USPresident" to "USFirstLady":

- USPresident  $\xrightarrow{\text{hasChild}}$  Person  $\xrightarrow{\text{hasChild}^{-1}}$  USFirstLady
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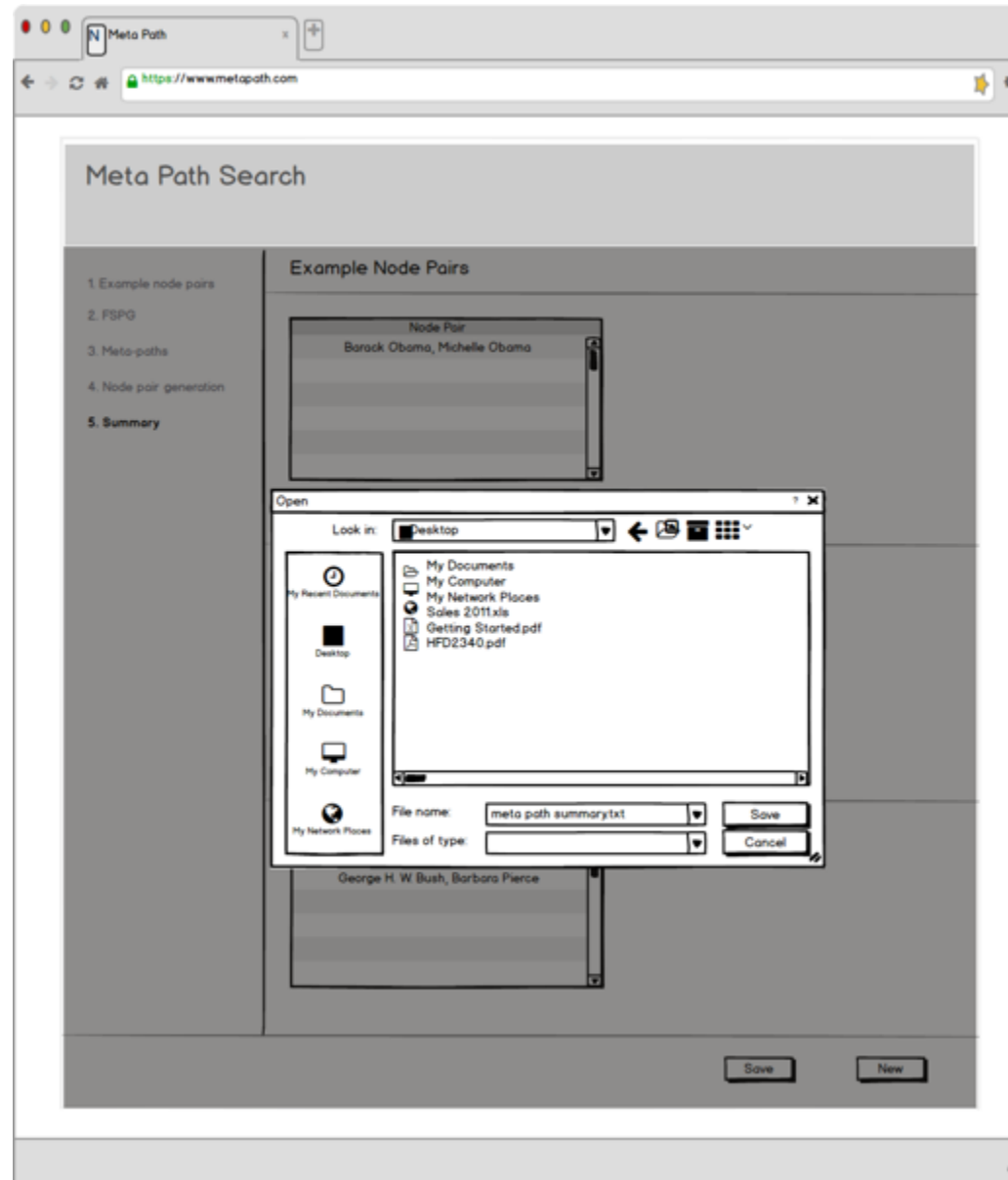
The "Suggested Node Pairs" section contains a table with the following data:

Node Pair
G. W Bush, Laura Lane Welch
George H. W Bush, Barbara Pierce

At the bottom right of the main content area, there are two buttons: "Save" and "New". A blue arrow points from the "Save" button to a text box on the right.

Click "Save" to keep a copy of the query results. Alternatively, click "New" to start a new query.

# Final Results



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# Conclusions

- **Heterogeneous Information Networks are more powerful than Homogeneous Information Networks**
- **Meta-path can capture the relevances (similarities) between two nodes**
- **Meta-structure captures more complex relationships in structures**



# **Future Work**

## **Dynamic Similarity Search on Meta-Paths**

- **Sometimes the direct relevance search can not reveal the true relationship among entities.**
- **Solutions: Dynamic Network Search**
- **Problems: 1. No efficient top-k query algorithms. 2. No predicates or posterior knowledge of the network**
- **ML methods could help!**

# **Future Work**

## **Ming HINs with Meta Structure**

- **Use Meta Structure to perform various data mining tasks on HINs, e.g., recommendation, classification and clustering.**
- **Design effective and efficient techniques to discover meta structure to express the relationship between entities.**

# **Future Work**

## **Knowledge Graph exploration**

- **Q1: Given an entity of interest in a KG, use different meta paths and meta structures to find related entities, and sort them according to relevance.**
- **Q2: Given some entity pairs, find some meta structures to account for their relationships (meta path version has been solved).**

# **Future Work**

## **Personalized Knowledge Graph**

- **Personalized Recommendation is popular and useful in recommendation.**
- **Rich information from query logs.**
- **Questions: How to build a Personalized KG for each user?**
- **Storage and efficiency**
- **Privacy issues**

# **Future Work**

## **Knowledge Graph maintenance**

- **Q1: Build a domain-specific KG from some given entity samples and a document corpus.**
- **Q2: Expand a KG by crawling info from internet.**
- **Q3: Error detection within a KG using meta path and meta structures.**
- **Q4: Error correction automatically.**

# **Future Work**

## **Knowledge Graph cleaning**

- **Relations / Nodes in KG are inherently “dirty” (many are curated based on automatic tools / scripts, which lead to duplications or error data)**
- **How to clean the Knowledge Graph by removing dirty relations / nodes ?**

# **Future Work**

## **Machine Learning**

- **Machine learning / deep learning is so hot nowadays !**
- **How to leverage the techniques in machine learning / deep learning to better enhance the heterogeneous information networks (or knowledge graphs) ?**

# **Future Work**

## **Bioinformatics**

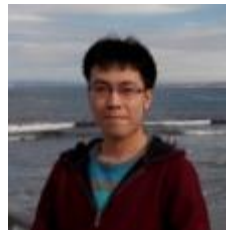
- **The network is also very common in the biology. This can help interpret the network more accurately.**
- **Multi-discipline is very popular now.**
- **Can we find some typical examples in biological information networks and use meta-path or meta-structure to analyze them?**



# Thanks ! Q & A



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