



清华大学

Tsinghua University

# Automated Representation Learning from Knowledge Graph

Dr. 姚权铭

清华大学电子系 – 助理教授

[前] 第四范式 – 研究组创始组长

E-mail: [gyaoaa@tsinghua.edu.cn](mailto:gyaoaa@tsinghua.edu.cn)

2021.10.10



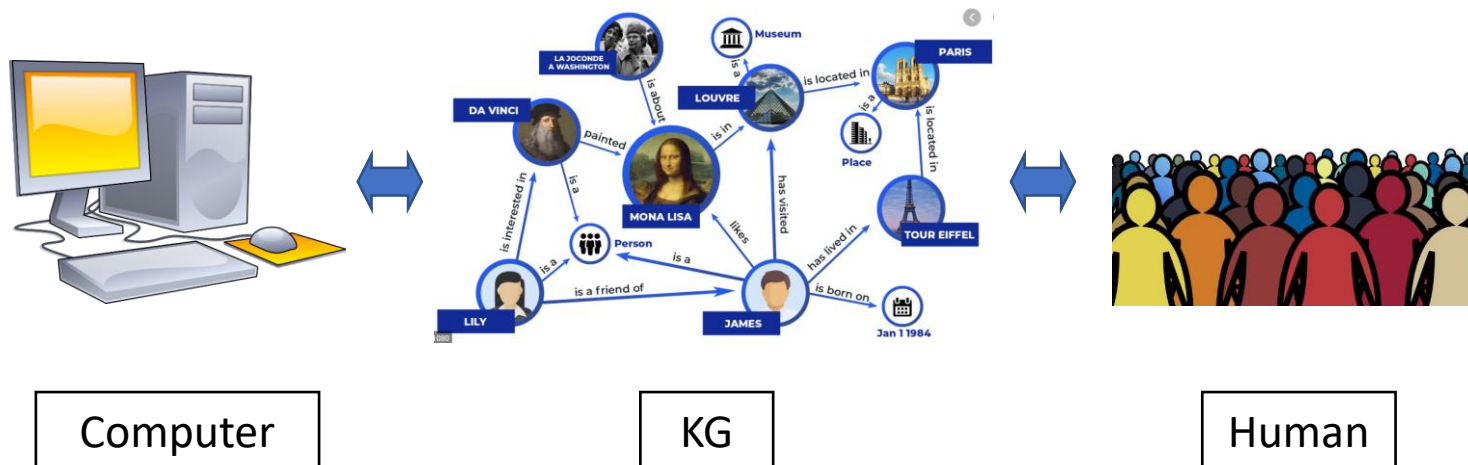
# Outline

1. What is Knowledge Graph (KG)?
2. What is Automated Machine Learning (AutoML)?
3. Attacking Core Issues in KG by AutoML
4. Future Works & Summary

# Knowledge Graph (KG)

A collection of interlinked descriptions of entities – objects, events or concepts

- Connect human understandings with computer computation power



# FROM SYSTEM 1 DEEP LEARNING TO SYSTEM 2 DEEP LEARNING

YOSHUA BENGIO

2018 Turing Award

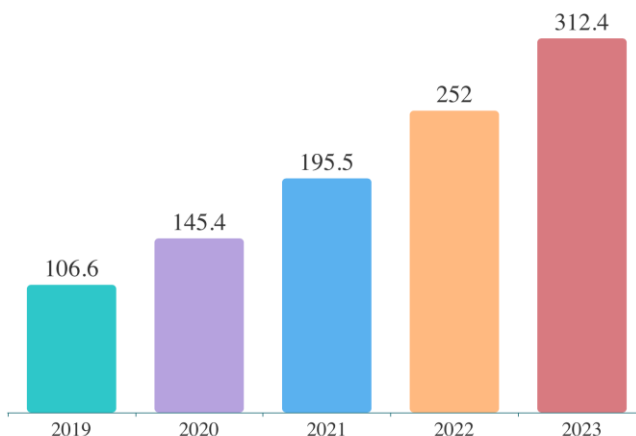
NeurIPS'2019 Posner Lecture  
December 11th, 2019, Vancouver BC

## Academia: Cognitive Computing



de Montréal

FOR ADVANCED RESEARCH	DE RECHERCHES AVANCÉES
-----------------------------	------------------------------

DE  
RECHERCHES  
AVANCÉES

## Industry Market

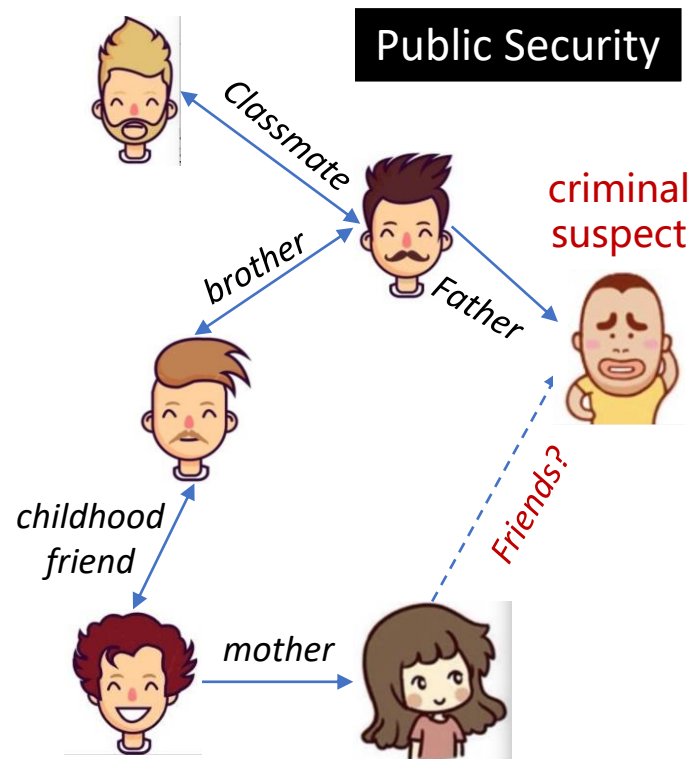
- Exceed 30 billion RMB in 2023
- Annual growth rate of 30.8%

## Government Support

### 1.3 认知计算基础理论与方法研究

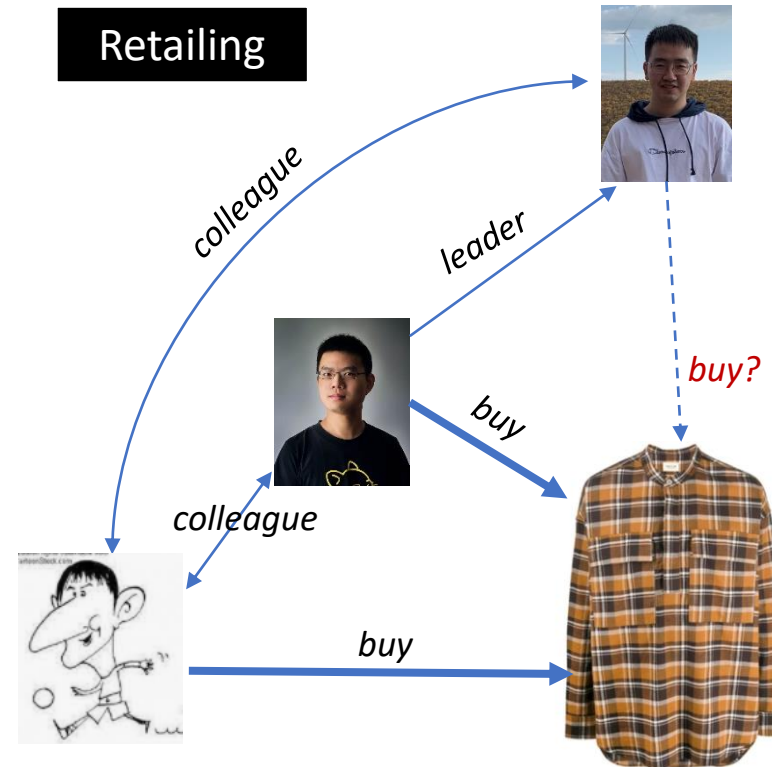
研究内容：聚焦开放、动态、真实环境下推理与决策重大问题，开展常识学习、直觉推理、自主演化、因果分析等理论和方法研究，重点突破刻画环境自适应、不完全推理、自主学习、对抗学习、智能体协同优化等特点的认知计算理论和算法，在跨媒体智能、自主智能、群体智能、人机混合或混合增强智能等智能形态方面实现应用验证。

# Know. Graph – Application examples



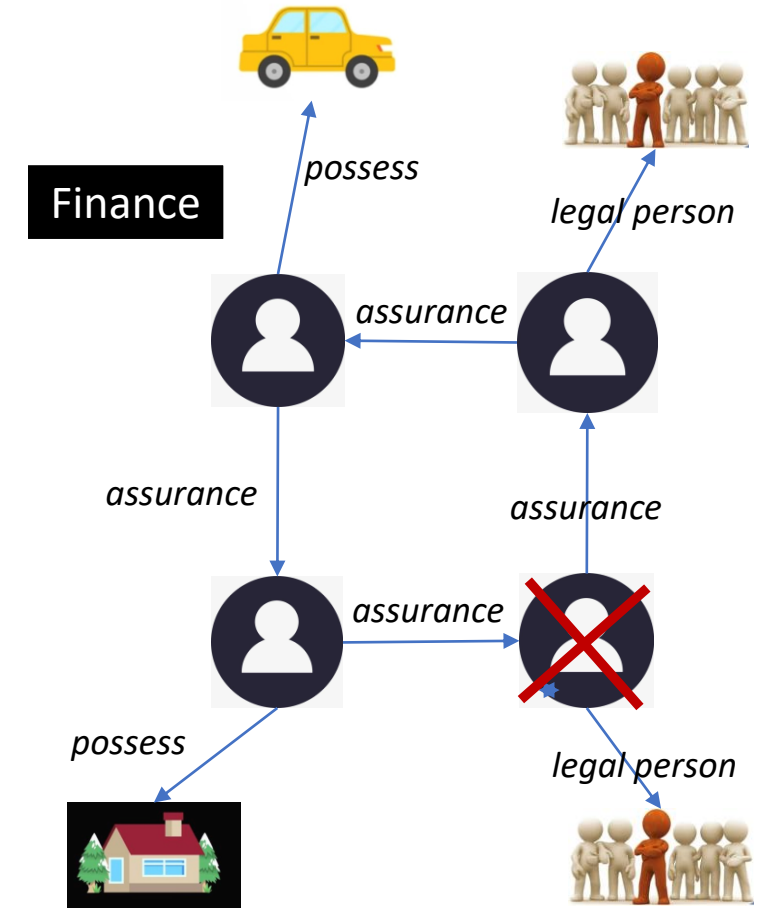
Person of Interest

Find contact



Recommendation

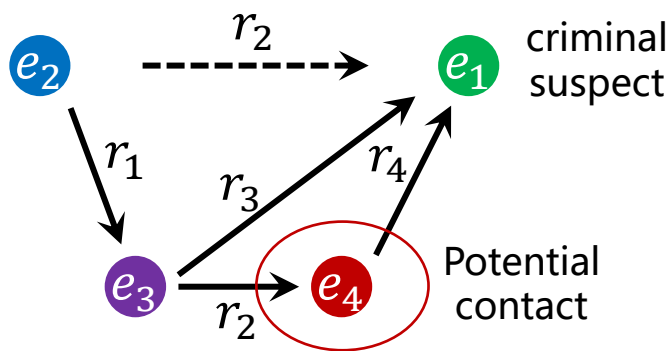
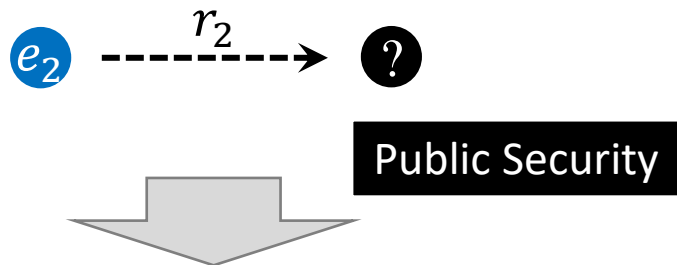
Track preference



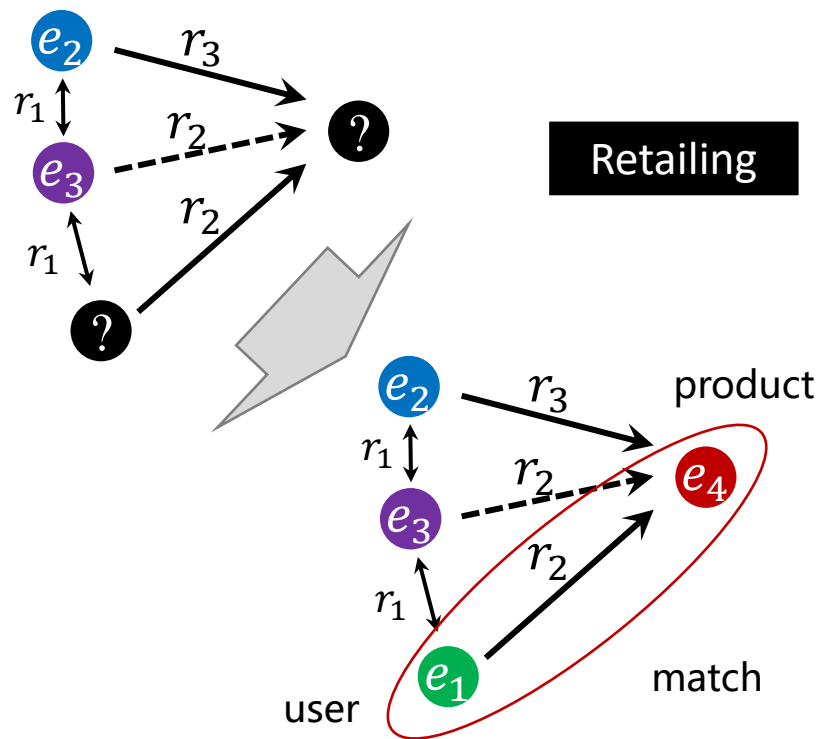
Bank Credits

Money chain

# Know. Graph – Learning tasks

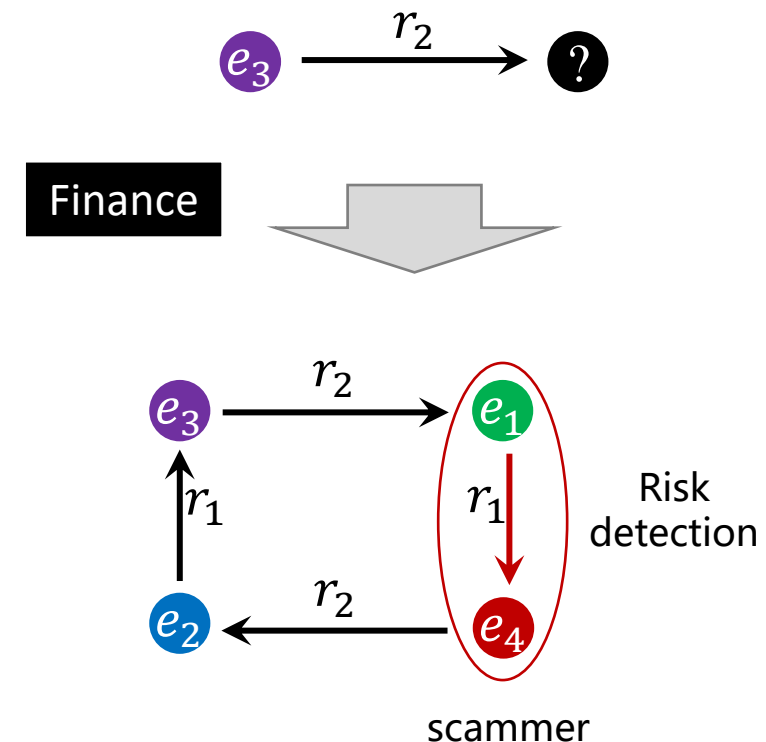


Find contact



Recommendation

Track preference



Bank Credits

Money chain

# Know. Graph – Core issues

Knowledge Graph = **Knowledge** + **Graph**

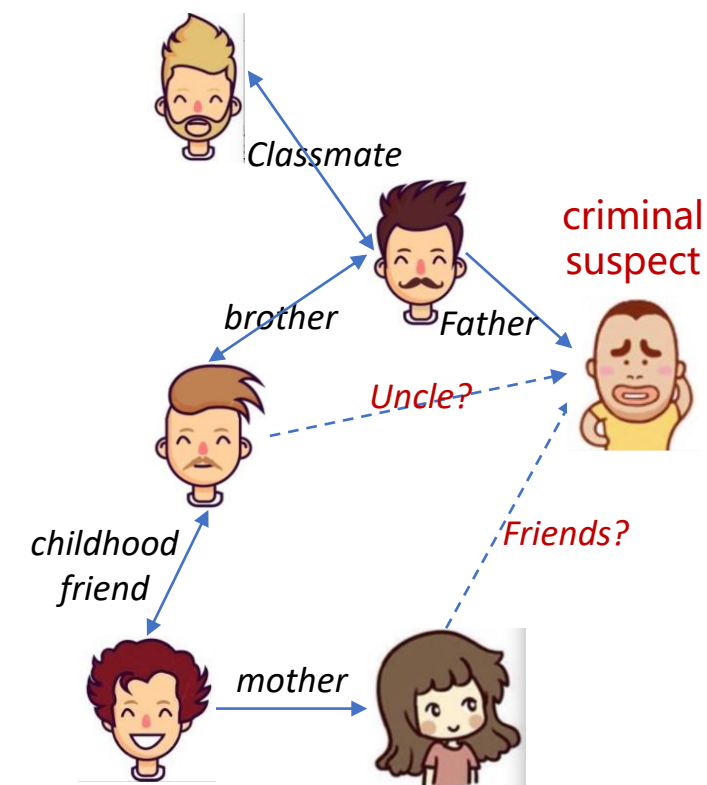
**Semantics:** Symmetric, inverse, asymmetric, composition...

- $(A, isBrotherOf, B) \wedge (B, isFatherOf, C) \Rightarrow (A, isUncleOf, C)$
- $(A, spouse, B) \Leftrightarrow (B, spouse, A)$
- $(A, older, B) \Leftrightarrow (B, younger, A)$
- $(A, location, USA)$

**Topology:** A directed multi-relational graph

A graph-structured representation

Whole graph/subgraph as input



How to exploit semantic and topological information?



# Outline

1. What is Knowledge Graph (KG)?
2. What is Automated Machine Learning (AutoML)?
3. Attacking Core Issues in KG by AutoML
4. Future Works & Summary



# What is Machine Learning (ML)?

Applications



Search Engine  
Recommender Systems  
Loss Assessment

Image Classification

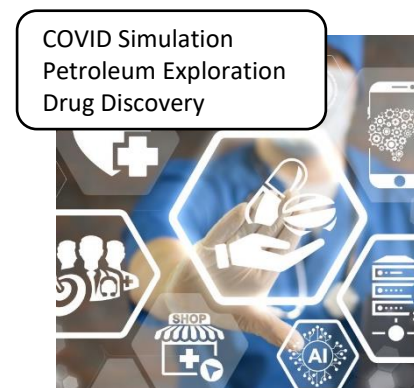
Predict the class of the object



Security Monitoring  
Bio-payment  
Flow Statistics

Face Recognition

Who is the person



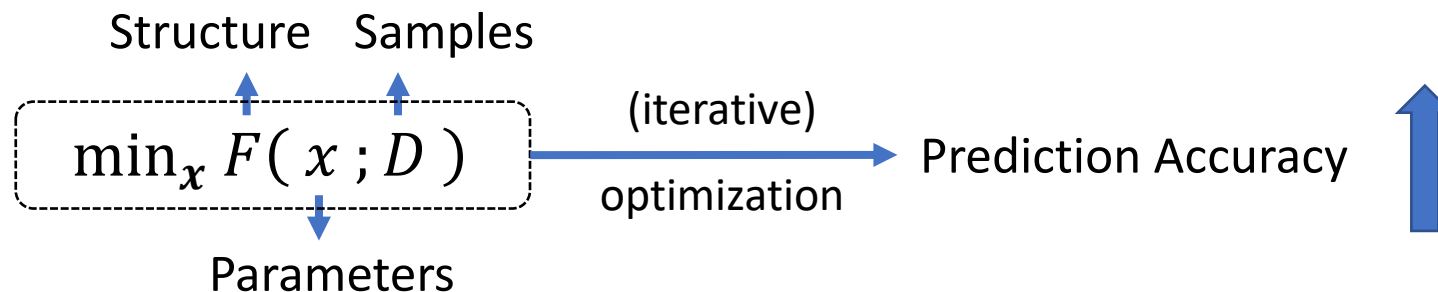
COVID Simulation  
Petroleum Exploration  
Drug Discovery

Drug Design

Learn to make decisions

Better Performance  
Higher Efficiency

Definition



- [1]. Machine Learning, Tom Mitchell, McGraw Hill, 1997.  
[2]. 周志华 著. 机器学习, 北京: 清华大学出版社, 2016年



# ML = Data + Knowledge

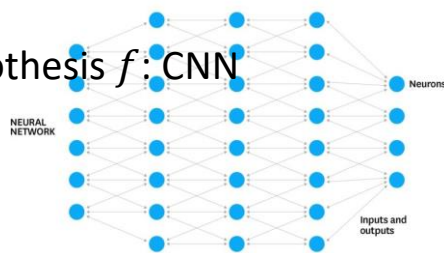
Image Classification



Optimization



Hypothesis  $f$ : CNN

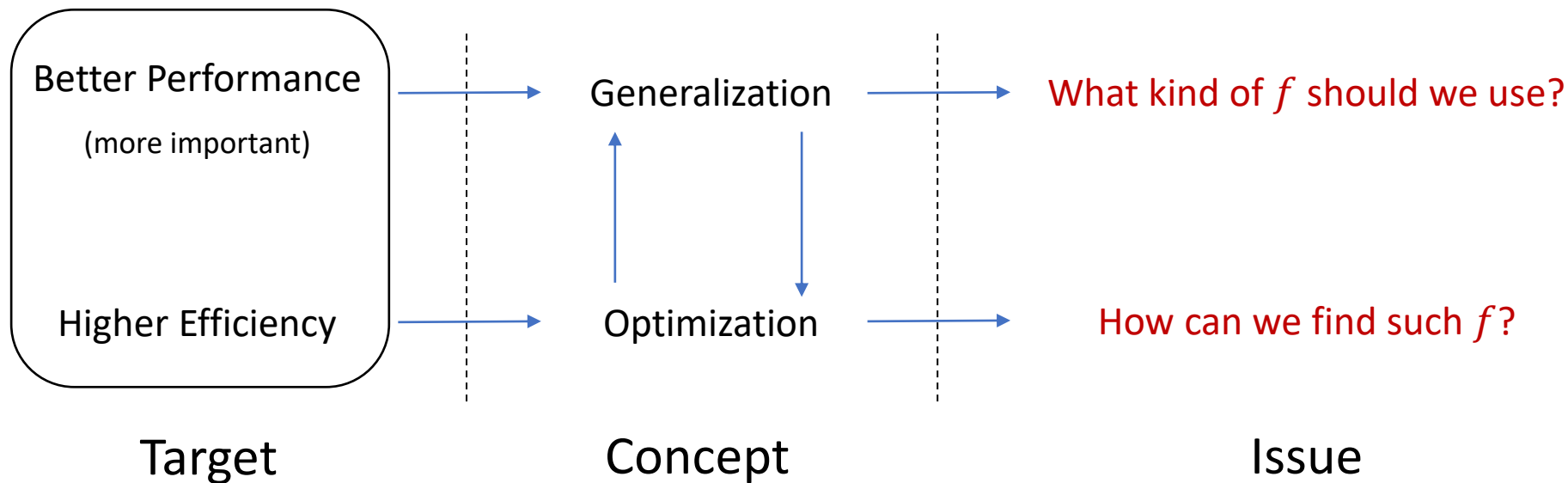


Generalization



Accuracy

Design a **hypothesis (function)  $f$**  to perform the learning task



**Not everything  
can be learnt**

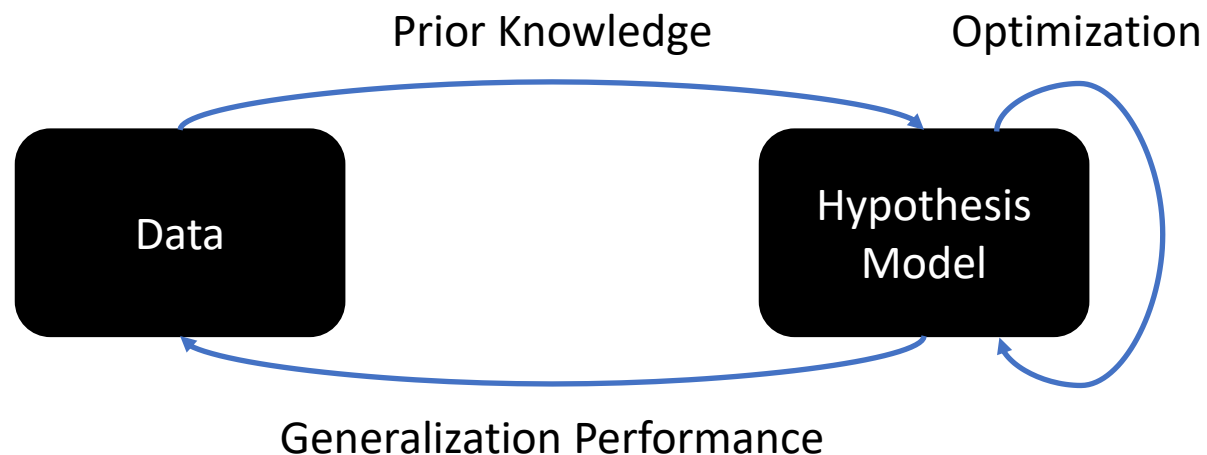
**PAC-Learning** (Definition 2.3 in [1]): What kind of problems can be solved in polynomial time

**No Free Lunch Theorem** (Appendix B [2]): No single algorithm can be good on all problems

[1]. M. Mohri, A. Rostamizadeh, A. Talwalkar. Foundations of machine learning. 2018

[2]. O. Bousquet, et.al. Introduction to Statistical Learning Theory. 2016

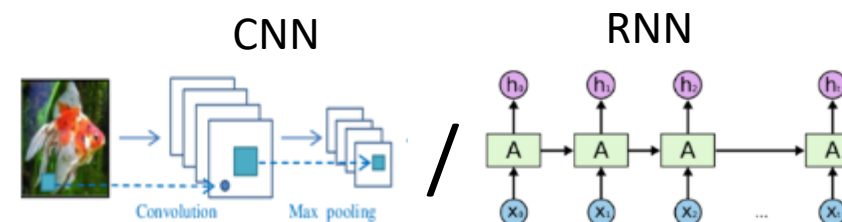
# How to use ML Well?



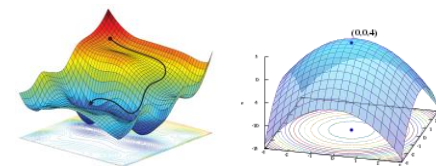
## The Advancement of Learning

- An iteration between theory and practice
- A feedback loop

Better understanding of prior knowledge → Better hypothesis → Better generalization performance



Generalization: What kind of  $f$  should we use?



SGD v.s. Adagrad<sup>[1]</sup>

Optimization: How can we find such  $f$ ?

Prior knowledge



“All models are wrong, but some are useful”<sup>[2]</sup>

[1]. Image Source: A. Amini et al. “[Spatial Uncertainty Sampling for End-to-End Control](#)”. NeurIPS Bayesian Deep Learning 2018

[2] G. Box, Science and statistics, JASA 1976

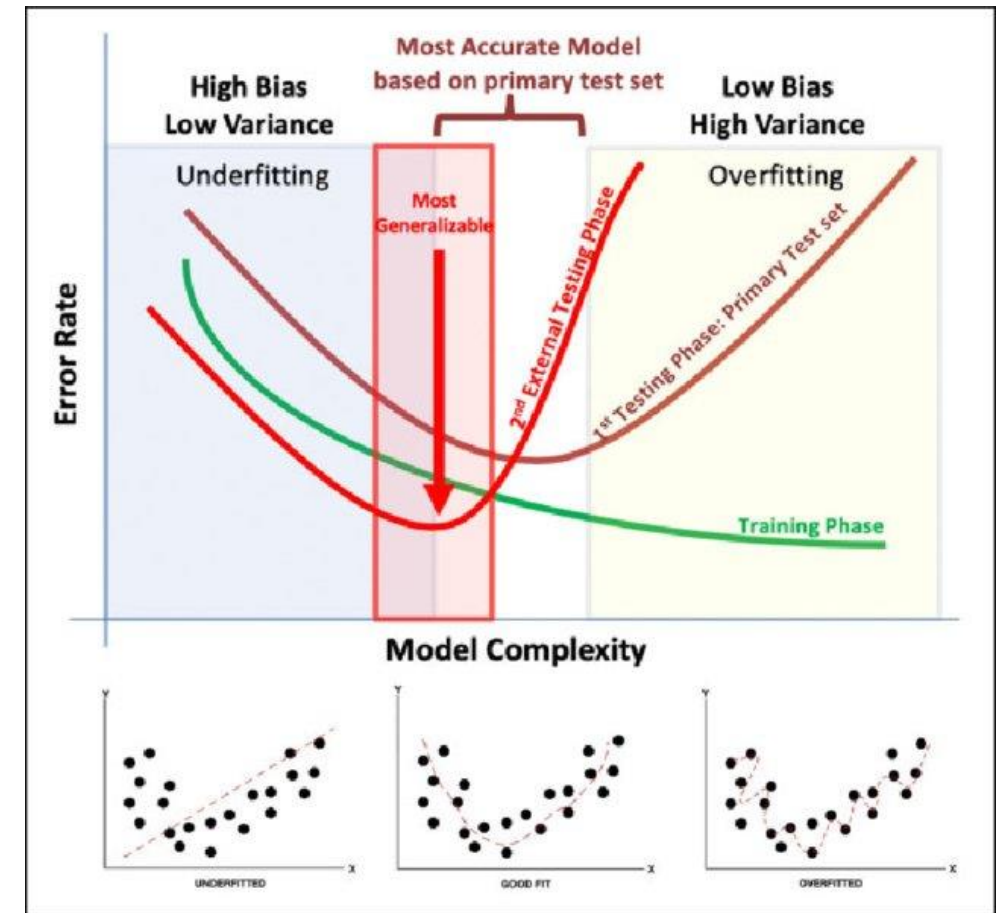
# Simple AutoML Example – Tune hyper-parameter

Bi-level optimization

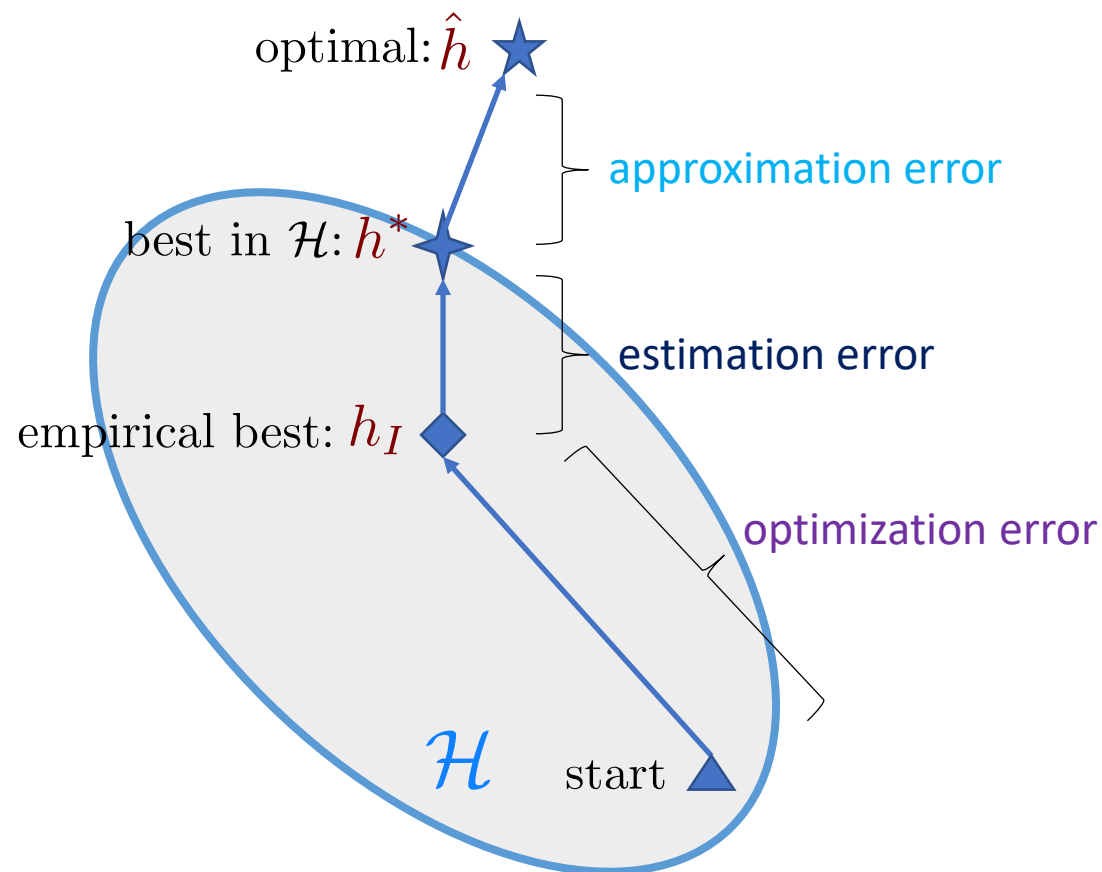
$$\underbrace{\max_{\lambda} \sum_j h(x_j; w^*)}_{\text{Validation Performance}} \quad \text{s.t.} \quad w^* = \underbrace{\min_w \sum_i f(x_i; w) + \lambda \|w\|_1}_{\text{Training objective}}$$

Hyper-parameter  $\lambda$

- Large  $\lambda$  leads to sparse  $w^*$
- Grid search: enumerating  $\lambda \in \{1, 2, 4, 8, \dots\}$



# Behind Hyper-para. – Error decomposition



Total error in machine learning

- Approximation error

- Which classifier to be used
- What are their hyper-parameters
- Distribution changes

- Estimation error

- Finite samples
- Regularization hyper-parameter

$$\min_w \sum_i f(x_i; w) + \lambda \|w\|_1$$

Reduce

- Optimization error

- Which algorithm to be used
- How to tune its step-size

# Look Inside Error Decomposition

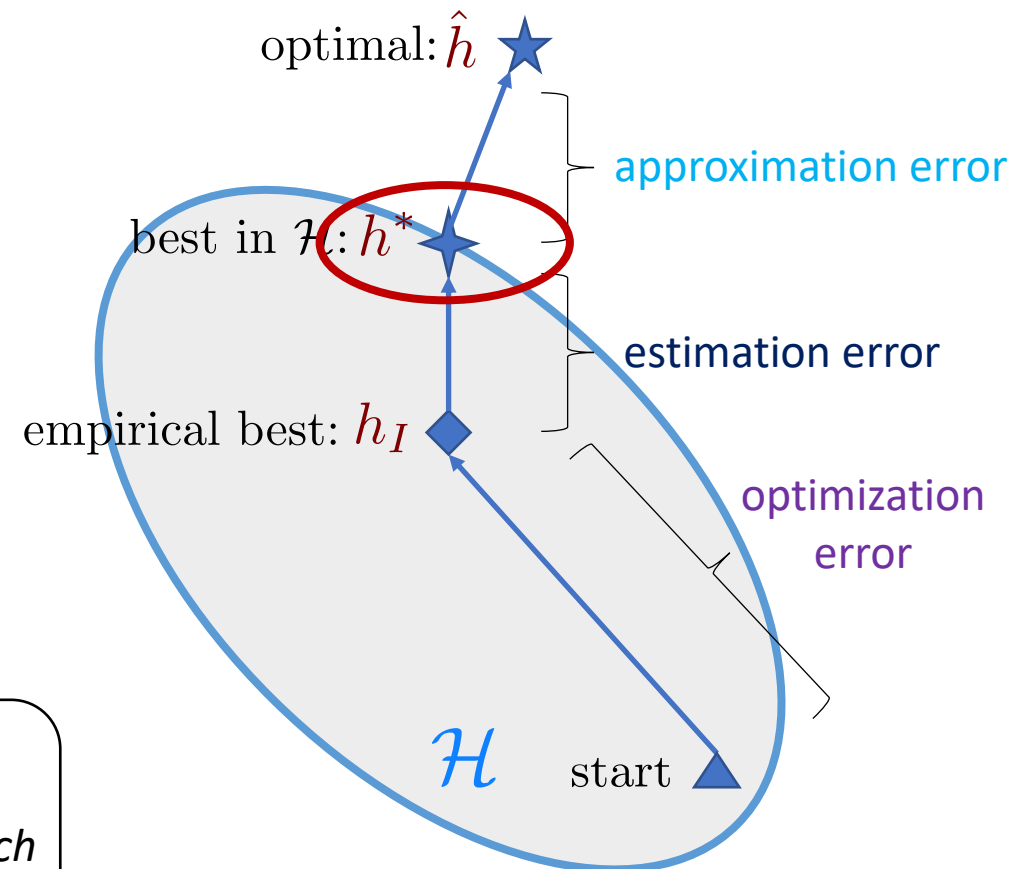
Automatically find  $h^*$  by bi-level optimization

$$\underbrace{\max_{\lambda} \sum_j h(x_j; w^*)}_{\text{Validation Performance}} \quad \text{s.t.} \quad w^* = \underbrace{\min_w \sum_i f(x_i; w) + \lambda \|w\|_1}_{\text{Training objective}}$$

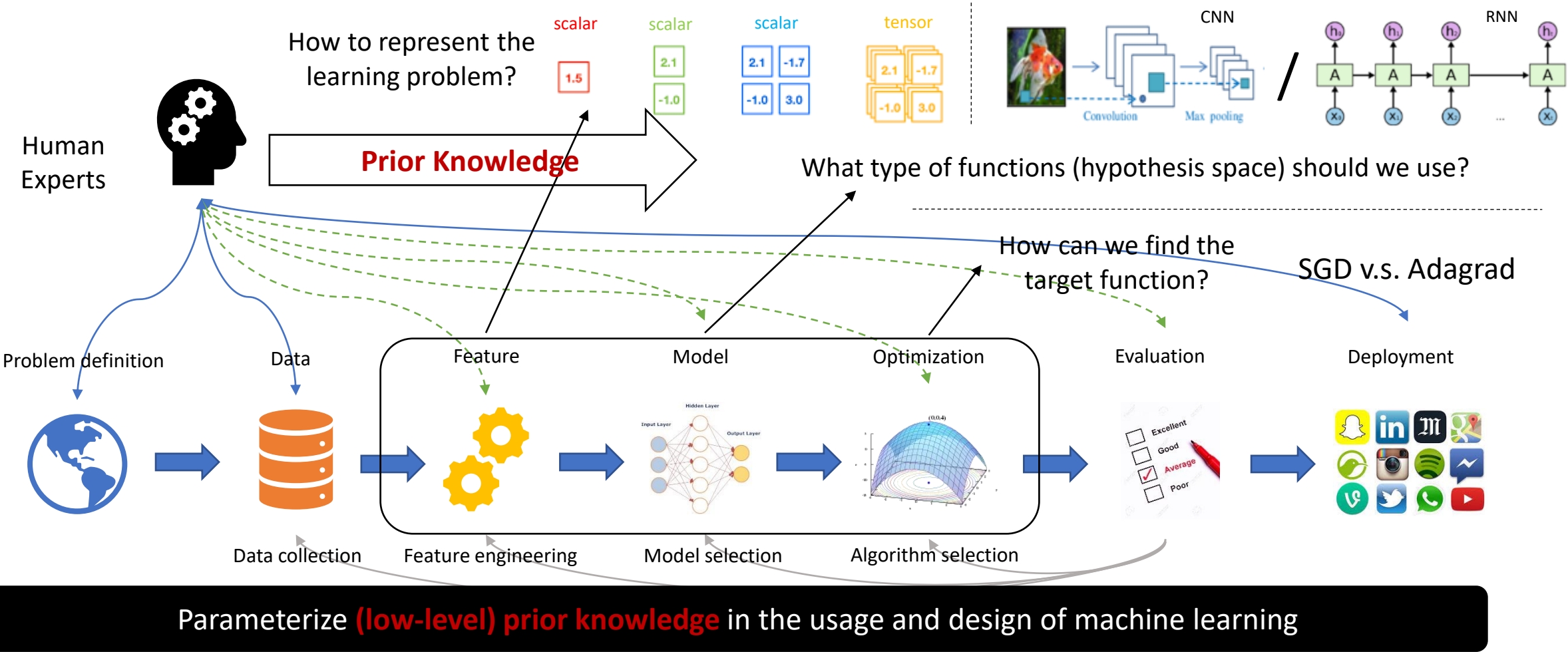
How to further improve the performance in an automatic manner (i.e., **reduce the approximation error**)?

- Feature can be weak  $\rightarrow$  *Automatic feature engineering*
- Linear predictor can be too restrictive  $\rightarrow$  *Neural architecture search*
- Grid search can be slow  $\rightarrow$  *Search in a supernet*

AutoML



# What is AutoML – Practical Viewpoint



- As a consequence
- Human participations can be naturally replaced by computation power
  - total error of machine learning can be reduced (generalization can be improved)



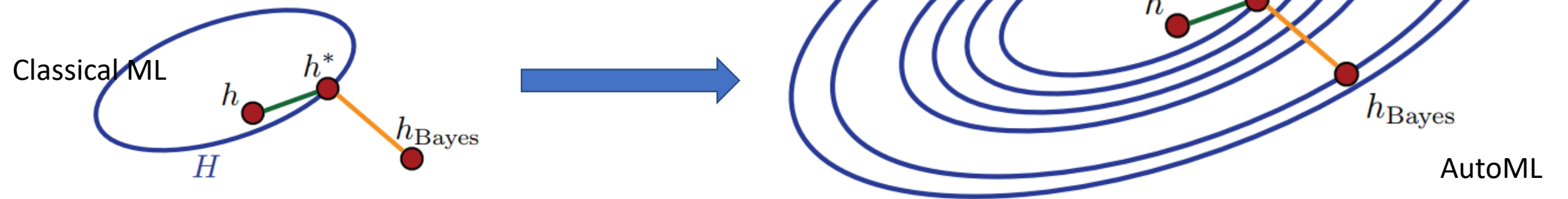
# What is AutoML – Generalization Viewpoint

**Parameterized** the **prior knowledge** of learning methods, e.g.,

- minimize the total error
- reduce parameter numbers

Perform efficient search in the designed (new) space

- combinatorial generalize new models from existing ones<sup>[1]</sup>



Parameterize **(low-level) prior knowledge** in the usage and design of machine learning

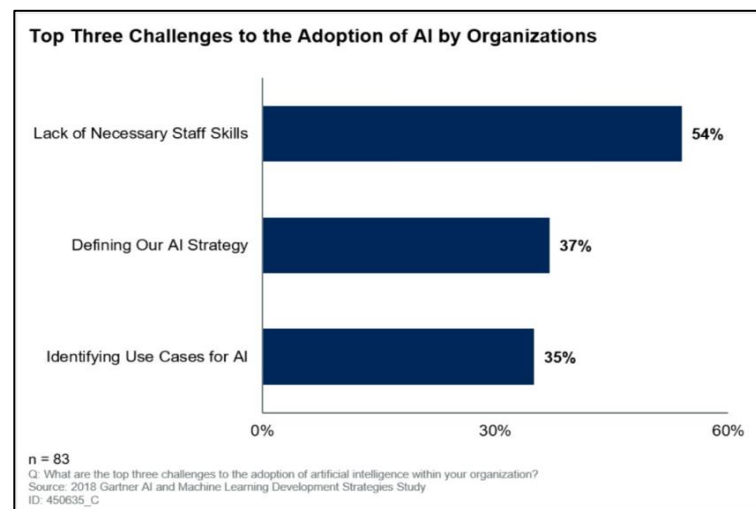
- As a consequence
- Human participations can be naturally replaced by computation power
  - **total error of machine learning can be reduced** (generalization can be improved)



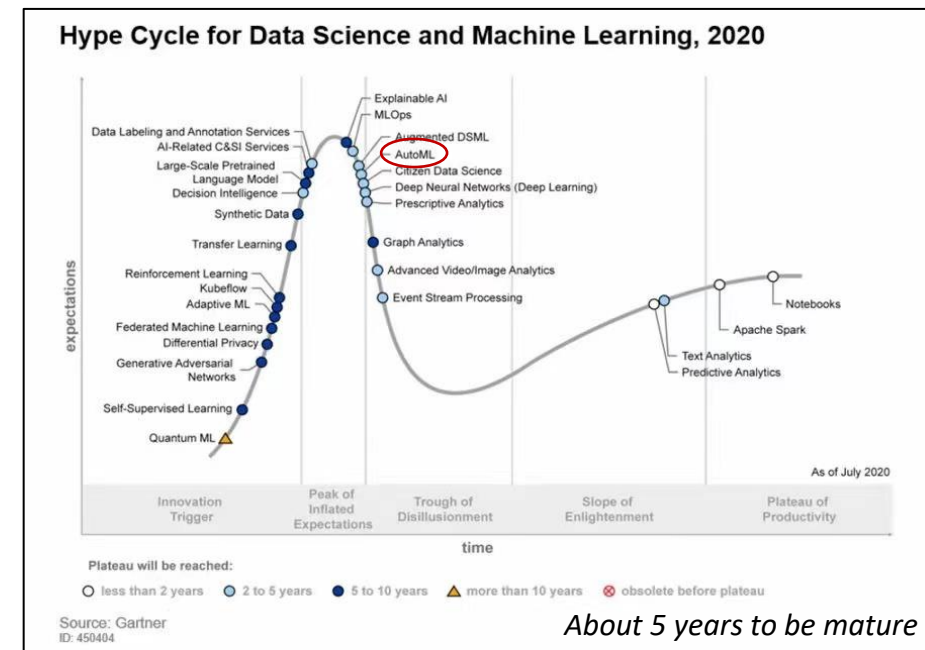
# Why We need AutoML?



Investment in AI industry



Practical needs



Technical trends

About 5 years to be mature

- **Industry** – reduce the expense, increase usage coverage – huge **market value** <sup>[1]</sup>
- **Academy** – understanding data science on a higher level – great **intelligence value** <sup>[2,3]</sup>

[1]. Gartner: <https://www.forbes.com/sites/janakirammsv/2020/03/02/key-takeaways-from-the-gartner-magic-quadrant-for-ai-developer-services/#a95b99ee3e5e>

[2]. Y. Bengio: From System 1 Deep Learning to System 2 Deep Learning | NeurIPS 2019

[3]. F Hutter, L Kotthoff, J Vanschoren. Automated machine learning: methods, systems, challenges. Book 2019



# Related Areas

## Sub-areas

- Neural architecture search
- Hyper-parameter search
- Automated feature engineering
- Algorithms selection
- Model selection

## Related areas

- Bi-level / Derivative-free optimization
  - Focus more on algorithm design
  - AutoML objective is one kind of objective where these algorithms can be applied
- Meta-learning
  - Focus on parameterize task distributions
  - Another kind of bi-level objective
  - Do not use validation set to update hyper-parameters

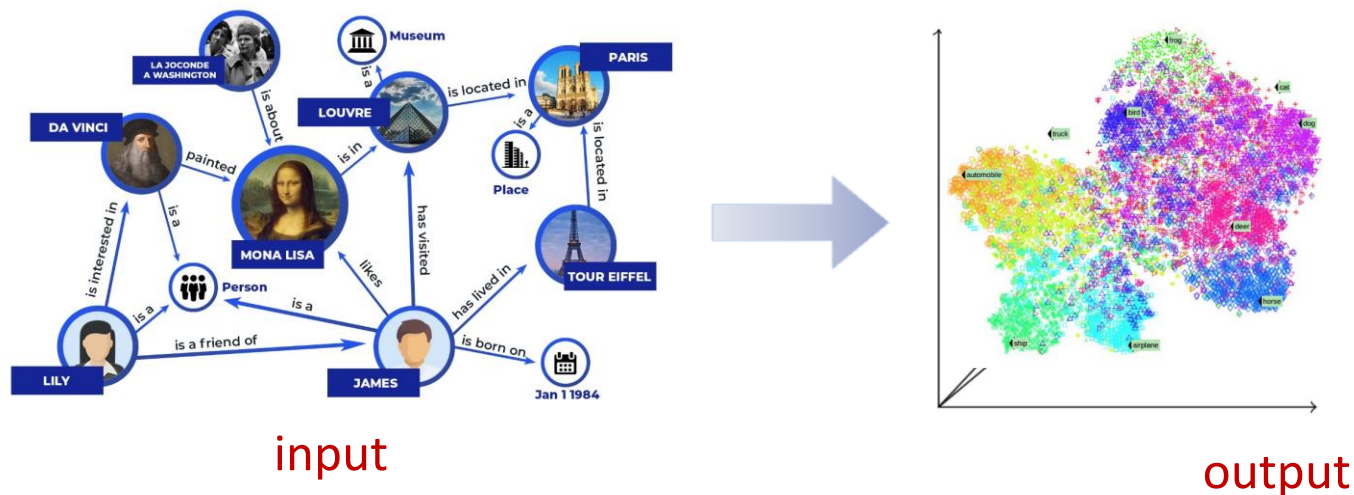


# Outline

1. What is Knowledge Graph (KG)?
2. What is Automated Machine Learning (AutoML)?
3. **Attacking Core Issues in KG by AutoML**
  - Overview of Ideas
  - Search to Capture Semantics
  - Search to Exploit Graph Topology
4. Future Works & Summary

# KG Representation Learning

Encode **entities** and **relations** in KG into low-dimensional **vector spaces**, while capturing nodes' and edges' connection & semantic properties.



Advantages:

- Inject into downstream ML pipelines.
- Provide efficient similarity search.
- Discover latent properties in missing links.

Scoring functions (SFs)  $f(\mathbf{h}, \mathbf{r}, \mathbf{t})$ :

- measure the **plausibility** of triplets  $\{(h, r, t)\}$  in KG.

Observed triplet  $S^+$ :  
increase score

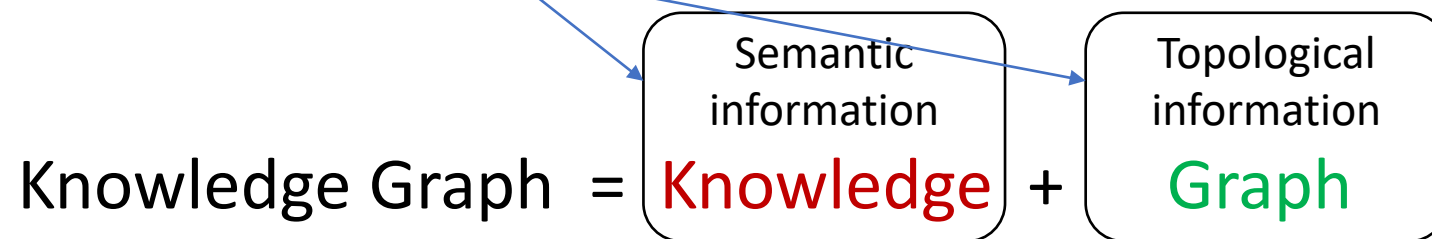
Unobserved triplet  $S^-$ :  
decrease score



# Our Work – Overview

Using AutoML techniques

- Explore **core issue** in **data-specific / task-aware** manner



Progress of our works

- ICDE 2020: Capture **semantic** information in relation on **triplet** level
  - NeurIPS 2020: Capture **topological** information in **path** level
  - ICDE 2021: Capture **topological** information in **graph** level
  - KDD 2021: Capture **semantic** and **topological** information in **graph** level
- } Covered this time



# Our Work – Best on KG in OGB



## Leaderboard for [ogbl-biokg](#)

The MRR score on the test and validation sets. The higher, the better.

Package: >=1.2.0

April 2021

Rank	Method	Test MRR	Validation MRR	Contact	References	#Params	Hardware	Date
1	<b>AutoSF</b>	0.8309 ± 0.0008	0.8317 ± 0.0007	<a href="#">Yongqi Zhang (4Paradigm)</a>	<a href="#">Paper</a> , <a href="#">Code</a>	93,824,000	GeForce RTX 2080 (11GB GPU)	Apr 2, 2021
2	<b>PairRE</b>	0.8164 ± 0.0005	0.8172 ± 0.0005	<a href="#">LinlinChao (AntGroup KG&amp;NLP)</a>	<a href="#">Paper</a> , <a href="#">Code</a>	187,750,000	Tesla P100 (16GB GPU)	Nov 9, 2020
3	ComplEx	0.8095 ± 0.0007	0.8105 ± 0.0001	<a href="#">Hongyu Ren – OGB team</a>	<a href="#">Paper</a> , <a href="#">Code</a>	187,648,000	GeForce RTX 2080 (11GB GPU)	Jun 10, 2020
4	DistMult	0.8043 ± 0.0003	0.8055 ± 0.0003	<a href="#">Hongyu Ren – OGB team</a>	<a href="#">Paper</a> , <a href="#">Code</a>	187,648,000	GeForce RTX 2080 (11GB GPU)	Jun 10, 2020
5	RotatE	0.7989 ± 0.0004	0.7997 ± 0.0002	<a href="#">Hongyu Ren – OGB team</a>	<a href="#">Paper</a> , <a href="#">Code</a>	187,597,000	GeForce RTX 2080 (11GB GPU)	Jun 10, 2020
6	TransE	0.7452 ± 0.0004	0.7456 ± 0.0003	<a href="#">Hongyu Ren – OGB team</a>	<a href="#">Paper</a> , <a href="#">Code</a>	187,648,000	GeForce RTX 2080 (11GB GPU)	Jun 10, 2020

## Leaderboard for [ogbl-wikikg2](#)

The MRR score on the test and validation sets. The higher, the better.

Package: >=1.2.4

Deprecated [ogbl-wikikg](#) leaderboard can be found [here](#).

April 2021

Rank	Method	Test MRR	Validation MRR	Contact	References	#Params	Hardware	Date
1	<b>AutoSF</b>	0.5458 ± 0.0052	0.5510 ± 0.0063	<a href="#">Yongqi Zhang (4Paradigm)</a>	<a href="#">Paper</a> , <a href="#">Code</a>	500,227,800	Quadro RTX 8000 (45GB GPU)	Apr 2, 2021
2	<b>PairRE (200dim)</b>	0.5208 ± 0.0027	0.5423 ± 0.0020	<a href="#">Linlin Chao</a>	<a href="#">Paper</a> , <a href="#">Code</a>	500,334,800	Tesla P100 (16GB GPU)	Jan 28, 2021
3	RotatE (250dim)	0.4332 ± 0.0025	0.4353 ± 0.0028	<a href="#">Hongyu Ren – OGB team</a>	<a href="#">Paper</a> , <a href="#">Code</a>	1,250,435,750	Quadro RTX 8000 (45GB GPU)	Jan 23, 2021
4	TransE (500dim)	0.4256 ± 0.0030	0.4272 ± 0.0030	<a href="#">Hongyu Ren – OGB team</a>	<a href="#">Paper</a> , <a href="#">Code</a>	1,250,569,500	Quadro RTX 8000 (45GB GPU)	Jan 23, 2021
5	ComplEx (250dim)	0.4027 ± 0.0027	0.3759 ± 0.0016	<a href="#">Hongyu Ren – OGB team</a>	<a href="#">Paper</a> , <a href="#">Code</a>	1,250,569,500	Quadro RTX 8000 (45GB GPU)	Jan 23, 2021

Solution is available at: <https://github.com/AutoML-Research/AutoSF>

- Based on ICDE 2020 / NeurIPS 2020



# Outline

1. What is Knowledge Graph (KG)?
2. What is Automated Machine Learning (AutoML)?
3. **Attacking Core Issues in KG by AutoML**
  - Overview of Ideas
  - **Search to Capture Semantics**
  - Search to Exploit Graph Topology
4. Future Works & Summary



# Scoring Function (SF) – Example

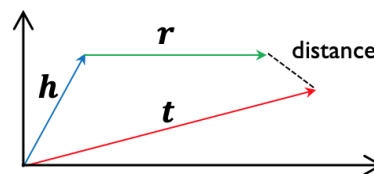
## Design principles

- Encode entity and relation into some space to measure the plausibility.
- Capture important semantic properties:
  - symmetric, anti-symmetric, inverse, asymmetric...

## Examples:

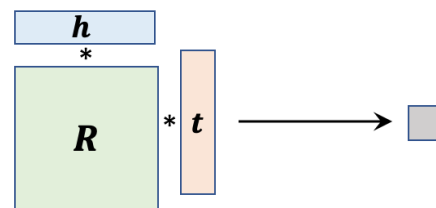
### 1. Translation Distance Models (TDMs)

- TransE, TransH, RotatE, etc
- **less expressive**



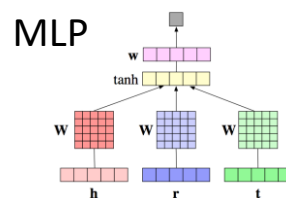
### 2. BiLinear Models (BLMs)

- DistMult, ComplEx, Analogy, SimpleE, etc
- **state-of-the-art** and **fully expressive**

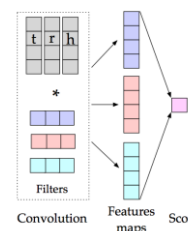


### 3. Neural Network Models (NNMs)

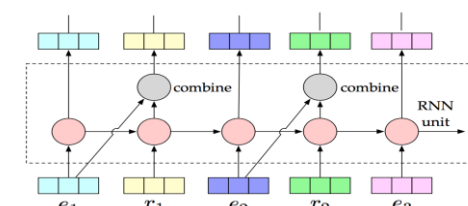
- MLP, ConvE, RSN, etc
- **complex** and **difficult to train**



#### ConvE



#### RSN



Method	Ent. embedding	Rel. embedding	Scoring function $f_r(h, t)$	Constraints/Regularization
TransE [14]	$h, t \in \mathbb{R}^d$	$r \in \mathbb{R}^d$	$-\ h + r - t\ _2$	$\ h\ _2 = 1, \ t\ _2 = 1$
TransH [15]	$h, t \in \mathbb{R}^d$	$r, w_r \in \mathbb{R}^d$	$-\ h - w_r^T h + r - (t - w_r^T t)\ _2$	$\ h\ _2 \leq 1, \ t\ _2 \leq 1$
TransR [16]	$h, t \in \mathbb{R}^d$	$r \in \mathbb{R}^k, M_r \in \mathbb{R}^{k \times d}$	$-\ M_r h + r - M_r t\ _2$	$\ w_r^T t\ _2 \leq \epsilon, \ w_r\ _2 = 1$ $\ h\ _2 \leq 1, \ t\ _2 \leq 1, \ r\ _2 \leq 1$
TransD [50]	$h, w_h \in \mathbb{R}^d$ $t, w_t \in \mathbb{R}^d$	$r, w_r \in \mathbb{R}^k$	$-\ (w_h w_h^T + I)h + r - (w_t w_t^T + I)t\ _2$	$\ M_r h\ _2 \leq 1, \ M_r t\ _2 \leq 1$ $\ h\ _2 \leq 1, \ t\ _2 \leq 1, \ r\ _2 \leq 1$ $\ (w_h w_h^T + I)h\ _2 \leq 1$ $\ (w_t w_t^T + I)t\ _2 \leq 1$
TransSparse [51]	$h, t \in \mathbb{R}^d$	$r \in \mathbb{R}^k, M_r(\theta_r) \in \mathbb{R}^{k \times d}$ $M_r^1(\theta_r^1), M_r^2(\theta_r^2) \in \mathbb{R}^{k \times d}$	$-\ M_r(\theta_r)h + r - M_r(\theta_r)t\ _2$ $-\ M_r^1(\theta_r^1)h + r - M_r^2(\theta_r^2)t\ _2$	$\ h\ _2 \leq 1, \ t\ _2 \leq 1, \ r\ _2 \leq 1$ $\ M_r(\theta_r)h\ _2 \leq 1, \ M_r(\theta_r)t\ _2 \leq 1$ $\ M_r^1(\theta_r^1)h\ _2 \leq 1, \ M_r^2(\theta_r^2)t\ _2 \leq 1$
TransM [52]	$h, t \in \mathbb{R}^d$	$r \in \mathbb{R}^d$	$-\theta_r \ h + r - t\ _2$	$\ h\ _2 \leq 1, \ t\ _2 \leq 1$
ManifoldE [53]	$h, t \in \mathbb{R}^d$	$r \in \mathbb{R}^d$	$-(\ h + r - t\ _2^2 - \theta_r^2)^2$	$\ h\ _2 \leq 1, \ t\ _2 \leq 1, \ r\ _2 \leq 1$
TransF [54]	$h, t \in \mathbb{R}^d$	$r \in \mathbb{R}^d$	$-(h + r)^T t + (t - r)^T h$	$\ h\ _2 \leq 1, \ t\ _2 \leq 1, \ r\ _2 \leq 1$
TransA [55]	$h, t \in \mathbb{R}^d$	$r \in \mathbb{R}^d, M_r \in \mathbb{R}^{d \times d}$	$-(\ h + r - t\ _2^T M_r (\ h + r - t\ _2))$	$\ h\ _2 \leq 1, \ t\ _2 \leq 1, \ r\ _2 \leq 1$
KG2E [45]	$h \sim \mathcal{N}(\mu_h, \Sigma_h)$ $t \sim \mathcal{N}(\mu_t, \Sigma_t)$	$r \sim \mathcal{N}(\mu_r, \Sigma_r)$	$-\text{tr}(\Sigma_r^{-1}(\Sigma_h + \Sigma_t)) - \mu^T \Sigma_r^{-1} \mu - \ln \frac{\det(\Sigma_r)}{\det(\Sigma_h + \Sigma_t)}$ $-\mu^T \Sigma_r^{-1} \mu - \ln(\det(\Sigma_r))$	$\ M_r\ _F \leq 1, \ M_r\ _1 = \ M_r\ _2 \geq 0$ $\ \mu_h\ _2 \leq 1, \ \mu_t\ _2 \leq 1, \ \mu_r\ _2 \leq 1$ $c_{\max} \mathbf{1} \leq \Sigma_h \leq c_{\max} \mathbf{1}$
TransG [56]	$h, t \in \mathbb{R}^d$	—	$-\ h - t\ _2^2$	$\ h\ _2 = 1, \ t\ _2 = 1$
UM [56]	$h, t \in \mathbb{R}^d$	—	$-\ h - t\ _2^2$	$\ h\ _2 = 1, \ t\ _2 = 1$
SE [57]	$h, t \in \mathbb{R}^d$	$M_r^1, M_r^2 \in \mathbb{R}^{d \times d}$	$-\ M_r^1 h - M_r^2 t\ _1$	$\ h\ _2 = 1, \ t\ _2 = 1$
NTN [19]	$h, t \in \mathbb{R}^d$	$r, b_r \in \mathbb{R}^k, M_r \in \mathbb{R}^{k \times d \times k}$ $M_r^1, M_r^2 \in \mathbb{R}^{k \times d}$	$r^T \tanh(h^T M_r t + M_r^1 h + M_r^2 t + b_r)$	$\ b_r\ _2 \leq 1, \ M_r\ _F \leq 1$ $\ M_r^1\ _F \leq 1, \ M_r^2\ _F \leq 1$
SLM [19]	$h, t \in \mathbb{R}^d$	$r \in \mathbb{R}^k, M_r^1, M_r^2 \in \mathbb{R}^{k \times d}$	$r^T \tanh(M_r^1 h + M_r^2 t)$	$\ h\ _2 \leq 1, \ t\ _2 \leq 1, \ r\ _2 \leq 1$ $\ M_r^1\ _F \leq 1, \ M_r^2\ _F \leq 1$
MLP [69]	$h, t \in \mathbb{R}^d$	$r \in \mathbb{R}^d$	$w^T \tanh(M^1 h + M^2 r + M^3 t)$	$\ h\ _2 \leq 1, \ t\ _2 \leq 1, \ r\ _2 \leq 1$
NAM [63]	$h, t \in \mathbb{R}^d$	$r \in \mathbb{R}^d$	$f_r(h, t) = \mathbf{z}^T g^{(L)}$ $\mathbf{z}^{(0)} = \text{ReLU}(\mathbf{a}^{(0)}), \mathbf{a}^{(0)} = \mathbf{M}^{(0)} \mathbf{z}^{(L-1)} + \mathbf{b}^{(0)}$ $\mathbf{z}^{(0)} = [h; r]$	—

Wang et.al. Knowledge graph embedding: A survey of approaches and applications. TKDE 2017



# Contribution – Search to capture semantics

1. There is **no absolute winner** among them since KGs exhibit **distinct patterns**.  
Even the **fully expressive** models do not definitely perform the best
2. KG is **sparse**, thus **regularization** (i.e., prior on semantics) is important
3. Designing **novel** and **universal** SFs becomes harder

Our solutions:

- **Adaptively** search to **regularize** the BLMs for different KG tasks
- Design **novel** and **task-aware** scoring functions

AutoSF: Searching Scoring Functions for Knowledge Graph Embedding. ICDE 2020

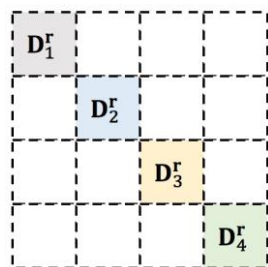
# Revisit Bilinear SFs

The BLMs can be written as  $f(\mathbf{h}, \mathbf{r}, \mathbf{t}) = \mathbf{h}^T \mathbf{R} \mathbf{t}$ , with different form of  $\mathbf{R}$ , a square matrix of  $\mathbf{r}$

For unified representation, we **evenly split** the embedding into **4** parts, e.g.  $\mathbf{r} = [\mathbf{r}_1; \mathbf{r}_2; \mathbf{r}_3; \mathbf{r}_4]$

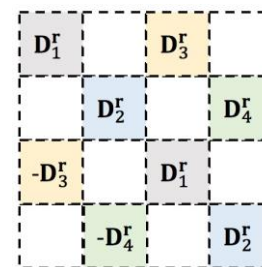
Denote  $\mathbf{D}_i^{\mathbf{r}} = \text{diag}(\mathbf{r}_i)$  as the corresponding **diagonal** matrix

DistMult:  $f(h, r, t) = \langle \mathbf{h}, \mathbf{r}, \mathbf{t} \rangle$



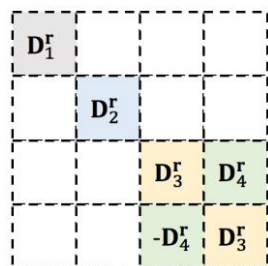
symmetric	✓
anti-symmetric	×
asymmetric	×
inverse	×

ComplEx:  $f(h, r, t) = \text{Re}(\langle \mathbf{h}, \mathbf{r}, \text{conj}(\mathbf{t}) \rangle)$



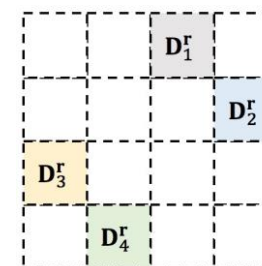
symmetric	✓
anti-symmetric	✓
asymmetric	✓
inverse	✓

Analogy:  $f(h, r, t) = \langle \hat{\mathbf{h}}, \hat{\mathbf{r}}, \hat{\mathbf{t}} \rangle + \text{Re}(\langle \check{\mathbf{h}}, \check{\mathbf{r}}, \text{conj}(\check{\mathbf{t}}) \rangle)$



symmetric	✓
anti-symmetric	✓
asymmetric	✓
inverse	✓

SimpleE:  $f(h, r, t) = \langle \hat{\mathbf{h}}, \hat{\mathbf{r}}, \check{\mathbf{t}} \rangle + \langle \check{\mathbf{h}}, \check{\mathbf{r}}, \hat{\mathbf{t}} \rangle$



symmetric	✓
anti-symmetric	✓
asymmetric	✓
inverse	✓

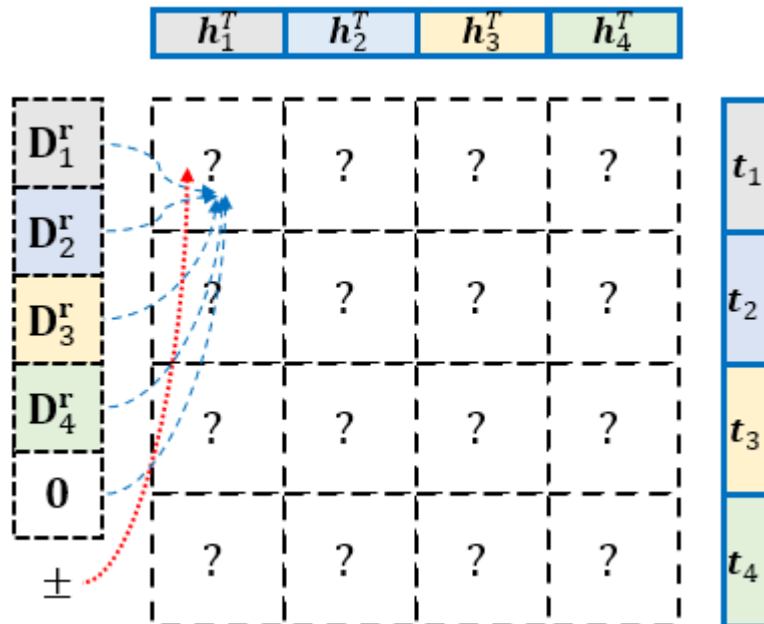
# AutoSF – Search to regularize bilinear SFs

**Definition 3** (S2R Problem). Let  $F(\mathbf{P}; g)$  be a KG embedding model (with indexed embeddings  $\mathbf{P} = \{\mathbf{h}, \mathbf{r}, \mathbf{t}\}$  and architecture  $g$ ),  $M(F, \mathcal{S})$  measures the performance of a KG embedding model  $F$  on a set of triplets  $\mathcal{S}$  (the higher the better). The problem of S2R is formulated as:

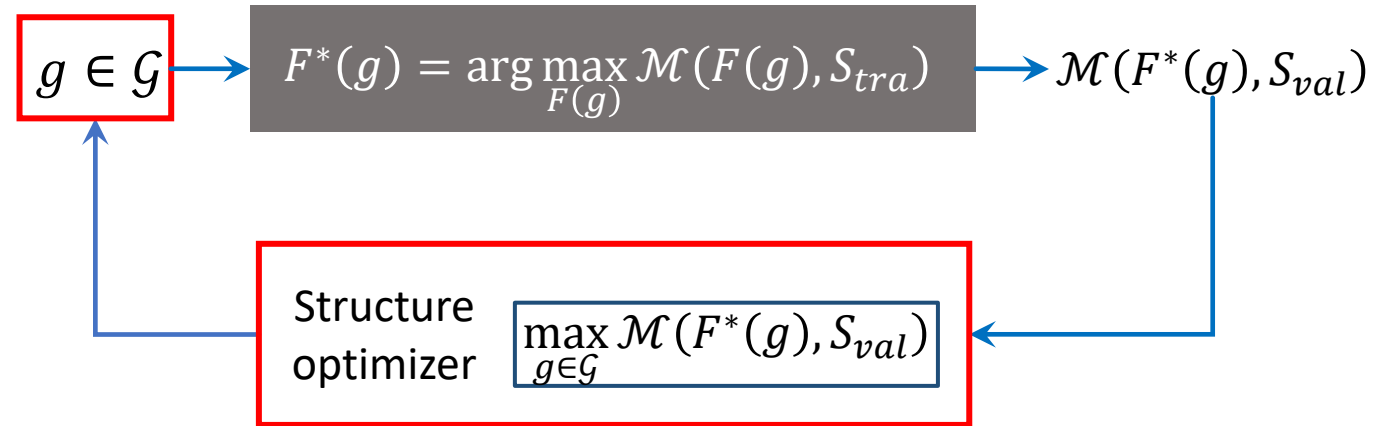
$$g^* \in \arg \max_{g \in \mathcal{G}} M(F(\mathbf{P}^*; g), \mathcal{S}_{val}) \quad (4)$$

$$s.t. \mathbf{P}^* = \arg \max_{\mathbf{P}} M(F(\mathbf{P}; g), \mathcal{S}_{tra}), \quad (5)$$

where  $\mathcal{G}$  contains all possible choices of  $g$ ,  $\mathcal{S}_{tra}$  is the training set, and  $\mathcal{S}_{val}$  is the validation set.



Search space:  
What to be searched



Validation  
performance

Search algorithm: How to search efficiently

**Definition 2** (Search space). Let  $g(\mathbf{r})$  return a  $4 \times 4$  block matrix, of which the elements in each block is given by  $[g(\mathbf{r})]_{ij} = \text{diag}(\mathbf{a}_{ij})$  where  $\mathbf{a}_{ij} \in \{\mathbf{0}, \pm \mathbf{r}_1, \pm \mathbf{r}_2, \pm \mathbf{r}_3, \pm \mathbf{r}_4\}$  for  $i, j \in \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$ . Then, SFs can be represented by  $f_{unified}(\mathbf{h}, \mathbf{r}, \mathbf{t}) = \sum_{i,j} \langle \mathbf{h}_i, \mathbf{a}_{ij}, \mathbf{t}_j \rangle = \mathbf{h}^\top g(\mathbf{r}) \mathbf{t}$ .

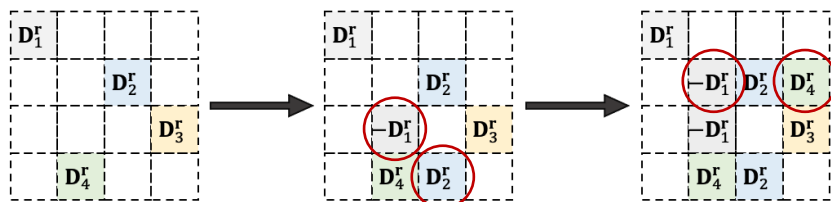
The location of a block matrix  $\mathbf{D}_i^r$  represents a multiplicative term.

# AutoSF – Search algorithm

## Challenges

1. Size of search space is very large:  $9^{16}$ .
2. Cost of training and evaluating a specific model structure is **expensive**.
3. How to capture important properties like **symmetric**, asymmetric?

Greedy search: **progressively** evaluate from few blocks to more blocks.



Genetic search can also be used, check

- <https://arxiv.org/abs/2107.00184>

**Not all** scoring functions / structures **need to be trained**.

➤ **Filter**: remove **bad** and **equivalent** SFs.

- Bad: there are zero/repeated rows/columns.
- Equivalent: have the same expressive ability after permutation or slipping signs.

For  $f^6$ , reduces from  $2 \times 10^9$  to  $3 \times 10^4$ .

Select **better** SFs based on matrix structure to train and evaluate.

➤ **Predictor**: select **promising** SFs based on matrix structures.

- The predictor learns a mapping from structure to performance.

For  $f^4$ , reduces from 9216 to 5.



# Experiments – Effectiveness

model		WN18			FB15k			WN18RR			FB15k237			YAGO3-10		
		MRR	H@1	H@10	MRR	H@1	H@10	MRR	H@1	H@10	MRR	H@1	H@10	MRR	H@1	H@10
(TDM)	TransH	0.521	—	94.5	0.452	—	76.6	0.186	—	45.1	0.233	—	40.1	—	—	—
	RotatE	0.949	94.4	95.9	0.797	74.6	88.4	0.476	42.8	<u>57.1</u>	0.338	24.1	53.3	0.488	39.6	66.3
(NNM)	ConvE	0.942	93.5	95.5	0.745	67.0	87.3	0.46	39.	48.	0.316	23.9	49.1	0.52	45.	66.
	RSN	0.94	92.2	95.3	—	—	—	—	—	—	0.28	20.2	45.3	—	—	—
	CompGCN	—	—	—	—	—	—	0.479	44.3	54.6	0.355	26.4	53.5	—	—	—
(BLM)	TuckER	<b>0.953</b>	<b>94.9</b>	95.8	0.795	74.1	89.2	0.470	44.3	52.6	0.358	26.6	54.4	—	—	—
	DistMult	0.821	71.7	95.2	0.775	71.4	87.2	0.443	40.4	50.7	0.352	25.9	54.6	0.552	47.1	68.9
	SimpleE/CP	0.950	94.5	<u>95.9</u>	0.826	79.4	90.1	0.462	42.4	55.1	0.350	26.0	54.4	0.565	49.1	71.0
	HolE/ComplEx	0.951	94.5	95.7	0.831	79.6	90.5	0.471	43.0	55.1	0.345	25.3	54.1	0.563	49.0	70.7
	Analogy	0.950	94.6	95.7	0.816	78.0	89.8	0.467	42.9	55.4	0.348	25.6	54.7	0.557	48.5	70.4
	QuatE	0.950	94.5	95.9	0.782	71.1	90.0	0.488	43.8	<b>58.2</b>	0.348	24.8	55.0	0.556	47.4	70.4
AutoBLM		<u>0.952</u>	<u>94.7</u>	<b>96.1</b>	<u>0.853</u>	<u>82.1</u>	<u>91.0</u>	<u>0.490</u>	<u>45.1</u>	56.7	<u>0.360</u>	<u>26.7</u>	<u>55.2</u>	<u>0.571</u>	<u>50.1</u>	<b>71.5</b>
AutoBLM+		<u>0.952</u>	<u>94.7</u>	<b>96.1</b>	<u>0.861</u>	<u>83.2</u>	<u>91.3</u>	<u>0.492</u>	<u>45.2</u>	56.7	<u>0.364</u>	<u>27.0</u>	<u>55.3</u>	<u>0.577</u>	<u>50.2</u>	<b>71.5</b>

## Measurements

- Given a triplet  $(h, r, t)$ ;
- Compute the score of  $(h', r, t), \forall h' \in \mathcal{E}$ ;
- Get the **rank** of  $h$  among all  $h'$

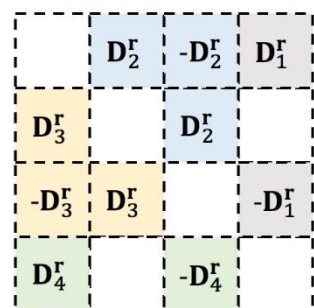
## Metrics

- MRR:  $\frac{1}{|\mathcal{S}|} \sum_{i=1}^{|\mathcal{S}|} \frac{1}{\text{rank}_i}$
- Hit@k:  $\frac{1}{|\mathcal{S}|} \sum_{i=1}^{|\mathcal{S}|} \mathbb{I}(\text{rank}_i < 10)$

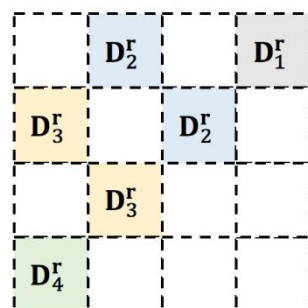
- BLMs are **better** than the other types and rule-based models
- There is **no absolute winner** among the BLMs
- Compared with human-designed ones, the SFs searched by **AutoSF** always lead the performance



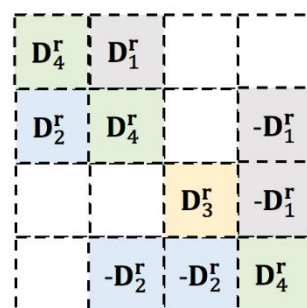
# Experiments – Efficiency



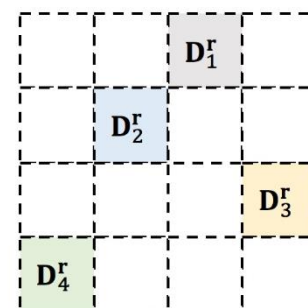
(a) WN18.



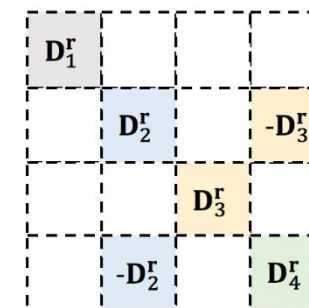
(b) FB15k.



(c) WN18RR.

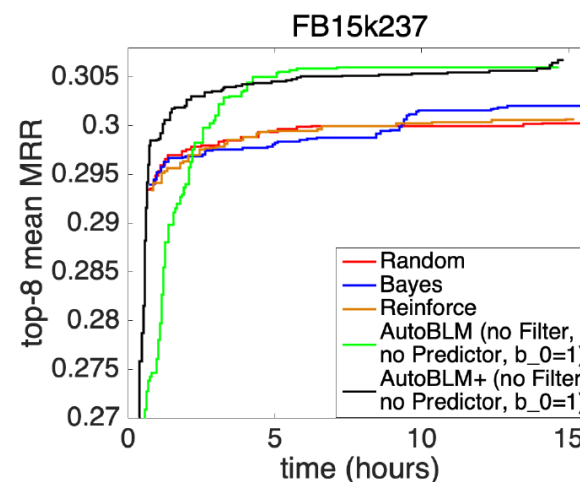
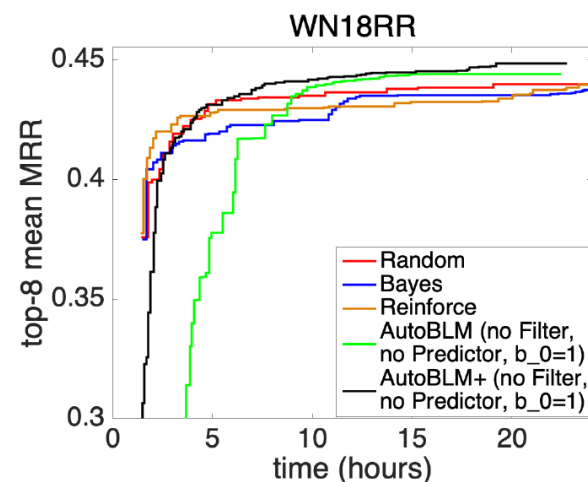


(d) FB15k237.



(e) YAGO3-10.

The searched SFs are KG **dependent** and **novel** to the literature.



- Random: totally random for SF generation
- Bayes: Tree Parzen Estimator (TPE) algorithm
- AutoSF (AutoBLM): domain-specific search algorithm

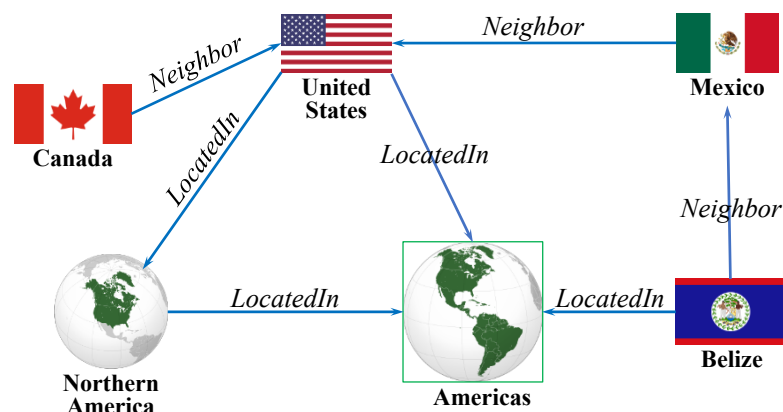




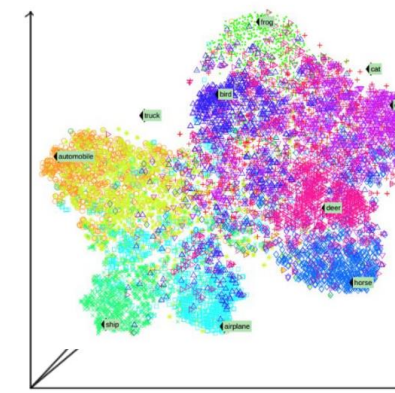
# Outline

1. What is Knowledge Graph (KG)?
2. What is Automated Machine Learning (AutoML)?
3. **Attacking Core Issues in KG by AutoML**
  - Overview of Ideas
  - Search to Capture Semantics
  - **Search to Exploit Graph Topology**
4. Future Works & Summary

# Relational Path in KG

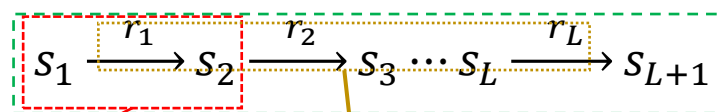


vectorize  
entities & relations



Triples:  $(s, r, o)$ ;

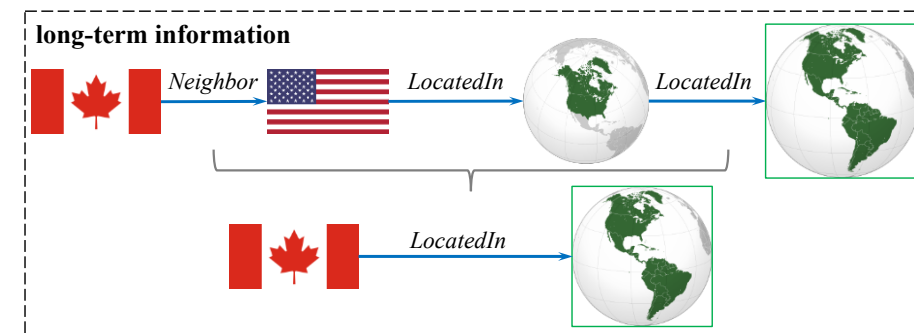
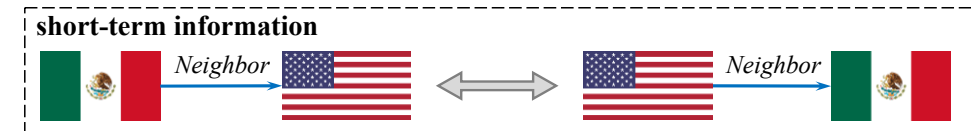
Relational path <sup>[1,2]</sup>:



Short-term information  
inside triplets.

Long-term information  
across triplets.

Composition of relations.



[1]. Guu et.al. Traversing knowledge graphs in vector space. EMNLP, 2015

[2]. Sadeghian et.al. DRUM: End-to-end differentiable rule mining on knowledge graphs. NeurIPS 2019



# Contribution – Search to exploit topology

1. The relational path contains several **mixed** information.
2. Link prediction task emphasizes on the **short-term semantic** information, while entity alignment task requires to model the **long-term** information.
3. How to properly encode such **prior knowledge** into the model design?

Our solutions:

- **Search** to **adaptively** learn the mixed information in relational path.
- A novel hybrid-search algorithm for efficient **search**.

Interstellar: Searching Recurrent Architecture for Knowledge Graph Embedding. NeurIPS 2020

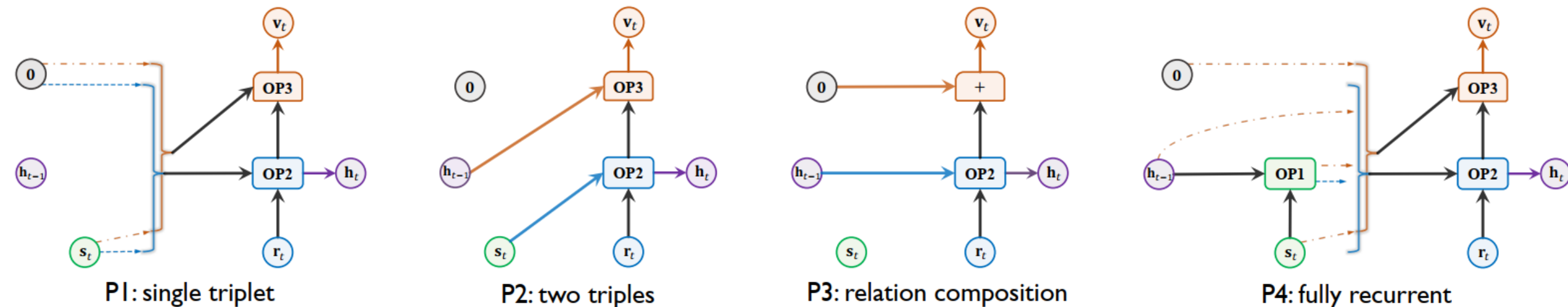
# Recurrent Structure – Case study

data	tasks
S1	neighbor $\wedge$ locatedin $\rightarrow$ locatedin locatedin $\wedge$ locatedin $\rightarrow$ locatedin
S2	neighbor $\wedge$ locatedin $\rightarrow$ locatedin
S3	neighbor $\wedge$ locatedin $\wedge$ locatedin $\rightarrow$ locatedin

harder longer

Table 3: Performance on Countries dataset.

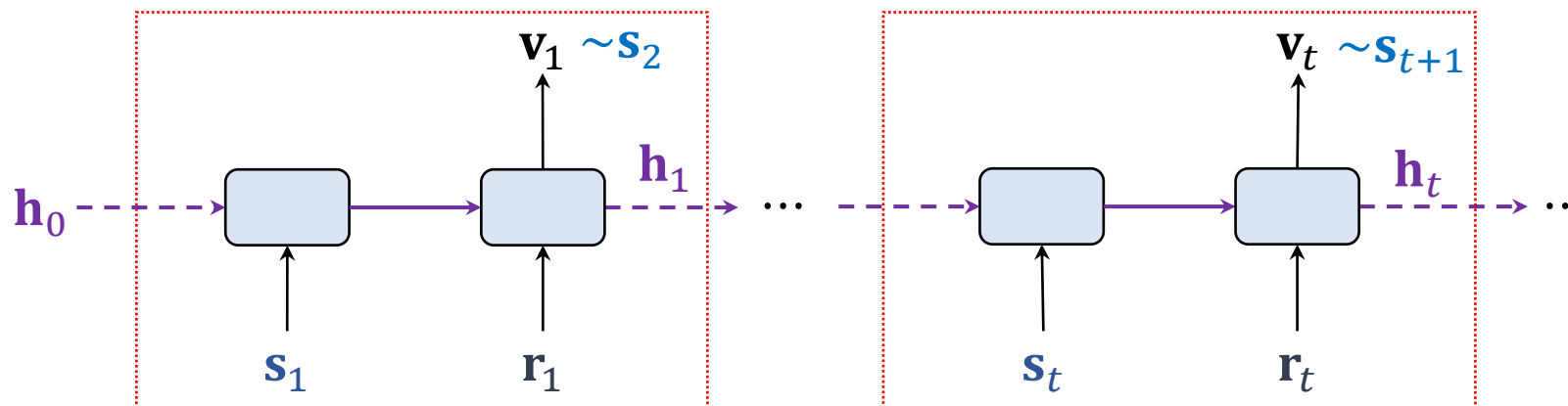
	S1	S2	S3
P1	0.998 $\pm$ 0.001	0.997 $\pm$ 0.002	0.933 $\pm$ 0.031
P2	<b>1.000<math>\pm</math>0.000</b>	0.999 $\pm$ 0.001	0.952 $\pm$ 0.023
P3	0.992 $\pm$ 0.001	<b>1.000<math>\pm</math>0.000</b>	0.961 $\pm$ 0.016
P4	0.977 $\pm$ 0.028	0.984 $\pm$ 0.010	<b>0.964<math>\pm</math>0.015</b>
Interstellar	<b>1.000<math>\pm</math>0.000</b>	<b>1.000<math>\pm</math>0.000</b>	<b>0.968<math>\pm</math> 0.007</b>



Model design should be data-specific. Search to leverage proper prior knowledge.

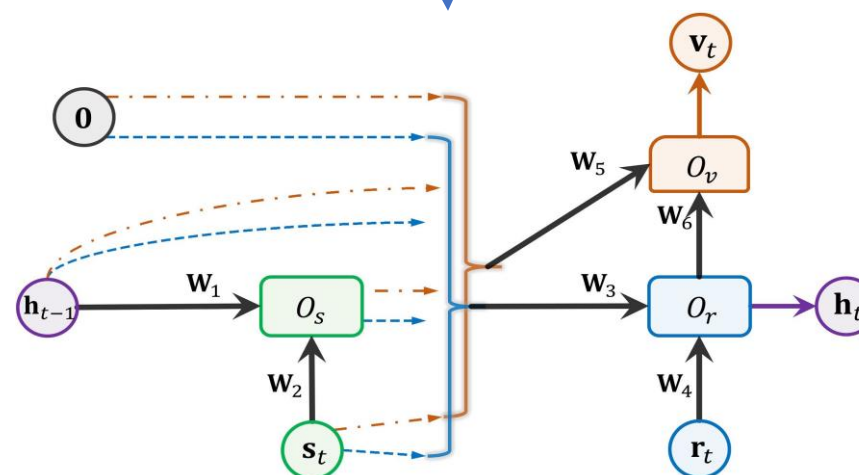
# Interstellar – Searching recurrent structure

Recurrently process the path by  $[\mathbf{v}_t, \mathbf{h}_t] = f(\mathbf{s}_t, \mathbf{r}_t, \mathbf{h}_{t-1}), \forall t = 1 \dots L$



Searching !

macro-level	connections	$\mathbf{h}_{t-1}, O_s, \mathbf{0}, \mathbf{s}_t$
$\hat{\alpha} \in \hat{\mathcal{A}}$	combinators	$+, \odot, \otimes, \text{gated}$
micro-level	activation	identity, tanh, sigmoid
$\check{\alpha} \in \check{\mathcal{A}}$	weight matrix	$\{\mathbf{W}_i\}_{i=1}^6, \mathbf{I}$





# Hybrid Search Algorithm

Search appropriate  $\alpha \in \mathcal{A}$  that maximize the validation performance

$$\alpha^* = \arg \max_{\alpha \in \mathcal{A}} \mathcal{M}(f(F^*; \alpha), \mathcal{G}_{\text{val}}), \quad \text{s.t.} \quad F^* = \arg \min_F \mathcal{L}(f(F; \alpha), \mathcal{G}_{\text{tra}})$$

Stand-alone approach:

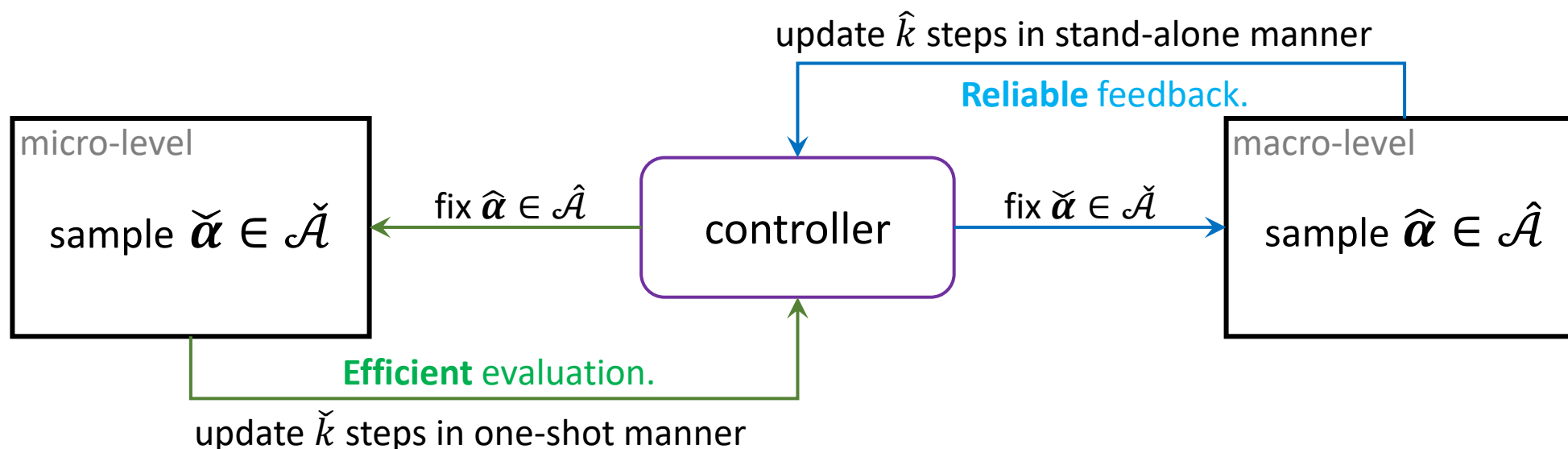
- $\mathcal{M}$  is accurate;
- $F^*$  needs high cost.

[Zoph and Le 2017]

One-shot approach:

- $F^*$  is shared and efficient;
- $\mathcal{M}$  is not always reliable.

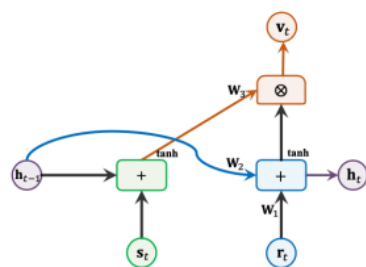
[Pham et al. 2018, Liu et al. 2019]



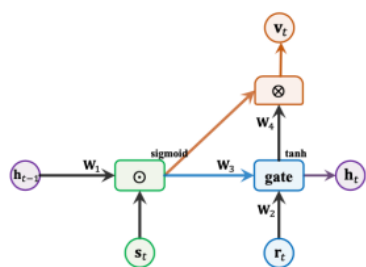
# Experiments – Effectiveness

Entity alignment task

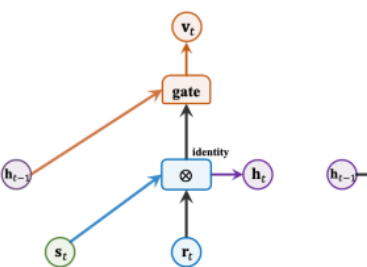
models		DBP-WD			DBP-YG			EN-FR			EN-DE		
		H@1	H@10	MRR	H@1	H@10	MRR	H@1	H@10	MRR	H@1	H@10	MRR
triplet	TransE	18.5	42.1	0.27	9.2	24.8	0.15	16.2	39.0	0.24	20.7	44.7	0.29
	TransD*	27.7	57.2	0.37	17.3	41.6	0.26	21.1	47.9	0.30	24.4	50.0	0.33
	BootEA*	32.3	63.1	0.42	31.3	62.5	0.42	31.3	62.9	0.42	44.2	70.1	0.53
GCN	GCN-Align	17.7	37.8	0.25	19.3	41.5	0.27	15.5	34.5	0.22	25.3	46.4	0.22
	VR-GCN	19.4	55.5	0.32	20.9	55.7	0.32	16.0	50.8	0.27	24.4	61.2	0.36
	R-GCN	8.6	31.4	0.16	13.3	42.4	0.23	7.3	31.2	0.15	18.4	44.8	0.27
path	PTransE	16.7	40.2	0.25	7.4	14.7	0.10	7.3	19.7	0.12	27.0	51.8	0.35
	IPTransE*	23.1	51.7	0.33	22.7	50.0	0.32	25.5	55.7	0.36	31.3	59.2	0.41
	Chains	32.2	60.0	0.42	35.3	64.0	0.45	31.4	60.1	0.41	41.3	68.9	0.51
	RSN*	38.8	65.7	0.49	40.0	67.5	0.50	34.7	63.1	0.44	48.7	72.0	0.57
	<b>SRAP</b>	<b>40.7</b>	<b>71.2</b>	<b>0.51</b>	<b>40.2</b>	<b>72.0</b>	<b>0.51</b>	<b>35.5</b>	<b>67.9</b>	<b>0.46</b>	<b>50.1</b>	<b>75.6</b>	<b>0.59</b>



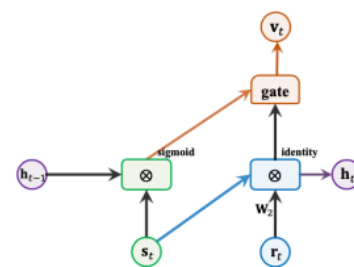
(a) DBP-WD



(b) DBP-YG



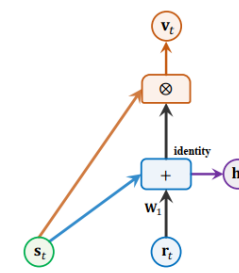
(c) EN-FR



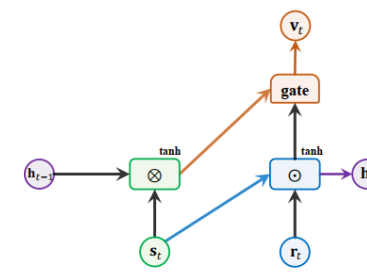
(d) EN-DE

Link prediction task

models	WN18-RR			FB15k-237		
	H@1	H@10	MRR	H@1	H@10	MRR
TransE	12.5	44.5	0.18	17.3	37.9	0.24
ComplEx	41.4	49.0	0.44	22.7	49.5	0.31
RotatE	43.6	54.2	0.47	<b>23.3</b>	50.4	<b>0.32</b>
R-GCN	-	-	-	15.1	41.7	0.24
PTransE	27.2	46.4	0.34	20.3	45.1	0.29
RSN	38.0	44.8	0.40	19.2	41.8	0.27
<b>SRAP</b>	<b>44.0</b>	<b>54.8</b>	<b>0.48</b>	<b>23.3</b>	<b>50.8</b>	<b>0.32</b>



WN18RR



FB15k-237



# Experiments – Efficiency

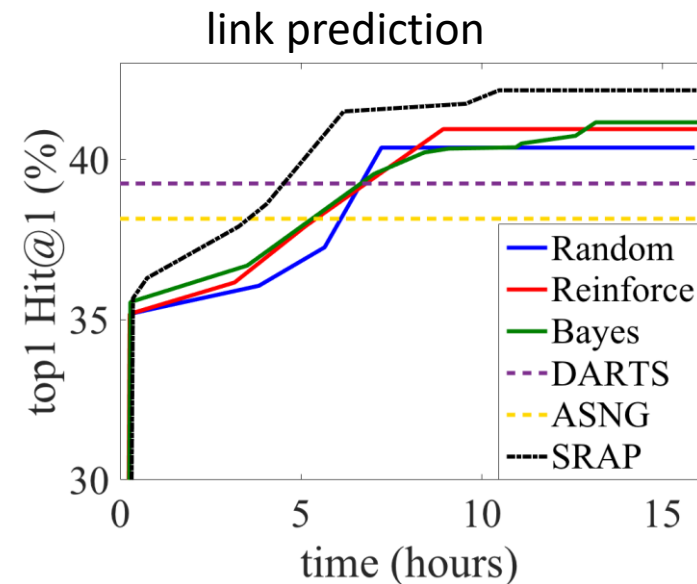
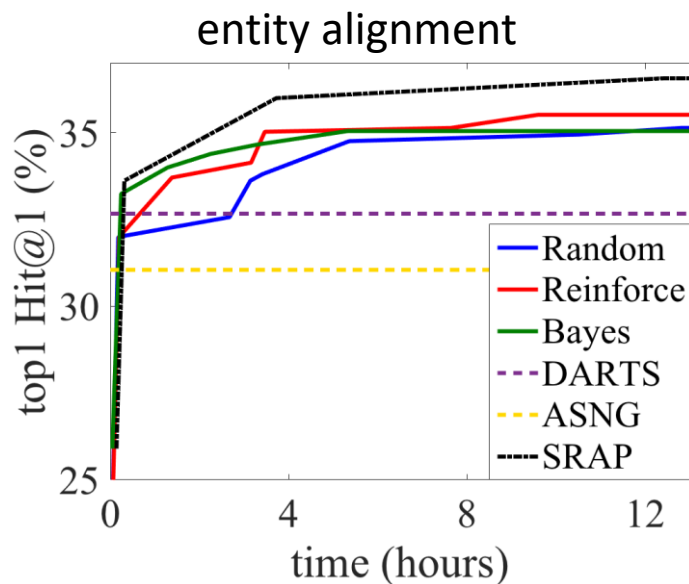


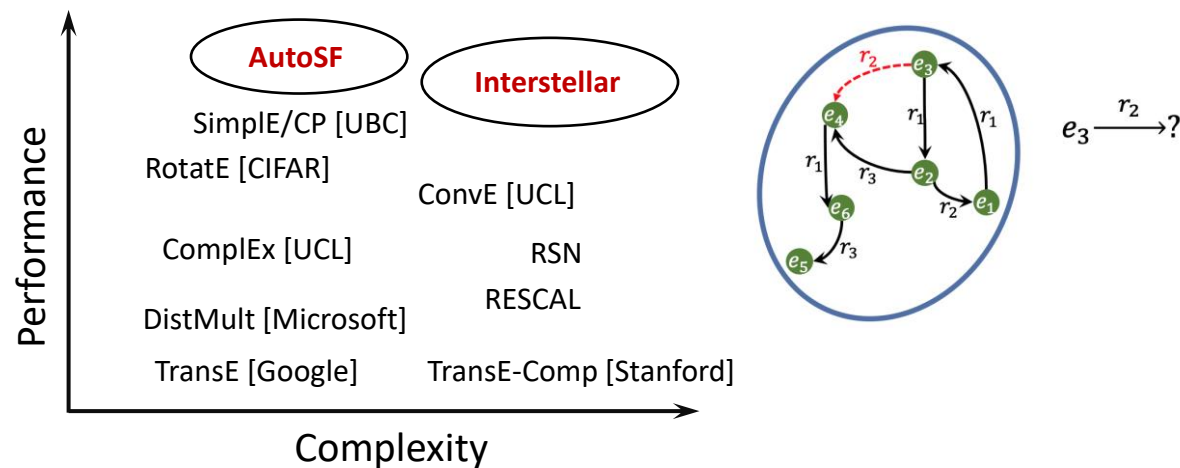
Table 6: Comparison of searching and fine-tuning time (in hours) in Algorithm 1.

procedure		entity alignment		link prediction	
		Normal	Dense	WN18-RR	FB15k-237
search	macro-level (line 2-3)	9.9±1.5	14.9±0.3	11.7±1.9	23.2±3.4
	micro-level (line 4-5)	4.2±0.2	7.5±0.6	6.3± 0.9	5.6±0.4
fine-tune (line 7)		11.6±1.6	16.2±2.1	44.3±2.3	67.6±4.5

# Summary

Design data-specific KG learning methods by AutoML

- Better explore semantics and topology
- Adapt to different application needs



Code: <https://github.com/AutoML-Research/AutoSF>

**AutoML Research**

A compact machine learning research group focusing on automated machine learning (AutoML), meta-learning and neural architecture search (NAS).

<http://www.cse.ust.hk/~qyaoaa/pages...>
[✉ qyaoaa@tsinghua.edu.cn](mailto:qyaoaa@tsinghua.edu.cn)

Winning solution in OGB

## Open Graph Benchmark

Benchmark datasets, data loaders and evaluators for graph machine learning

[GET STARTED](#)
[KDD CUP 2021 \(NEW!\)](#)



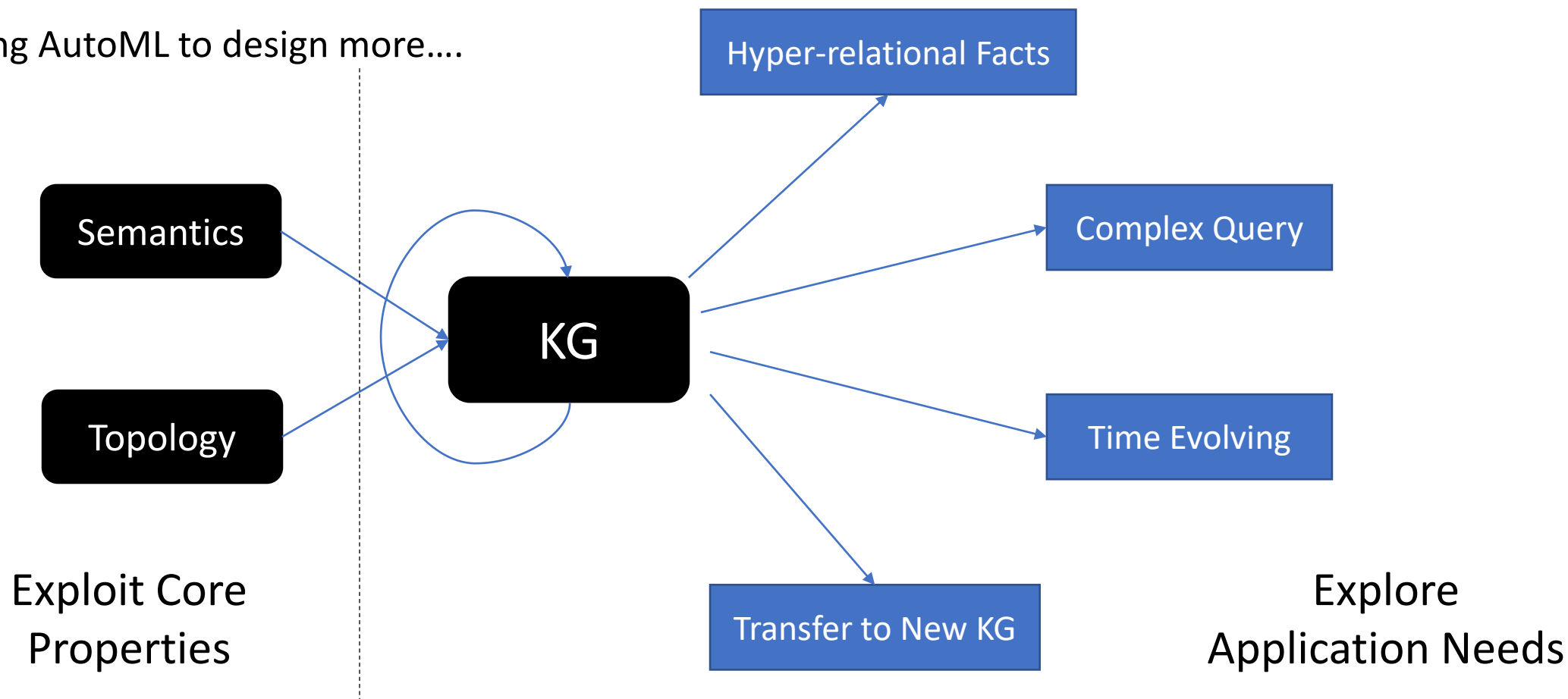
# Outline

1. What is Knowledge Graph (KG)?
2. What is Automated Machine Learning (AutoML)?
3. Attacking Core Issues in KG by AutoML
4. Future Works & Summary



# AutoML in KG – Problem level

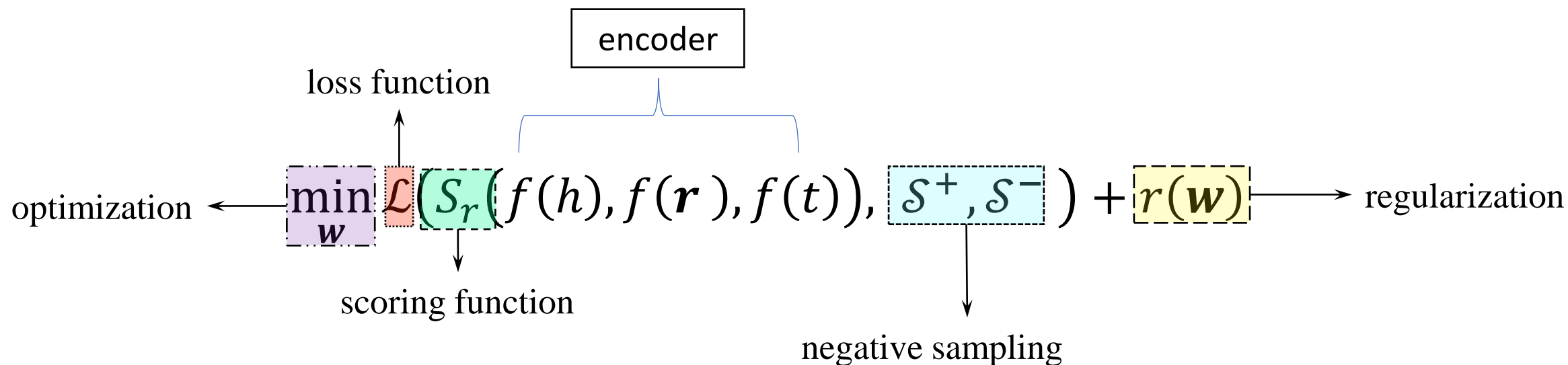
Using AutoML to design more....





# AutoML in KG – Benchmark level

As a learning problem, the KG embedding problem contains the following important components:





# Collaborators on This Topic

- James Kwok. *Professor*. HKUST
- Tong Zhang. *Professor*. HKUST
- Yong Li. *Associate Professor*. Tsinghua
- Huan Zhao. *Senior Researcher*. 4Paradigm
- Yongqi Zhang. *Researcher*. 4Paradigm
- Fengli Xu. *Post-Doc*. University of Chicago
- Shimin Di. *Ph.D Student*. HKUST
- Yu Liu. *Ph.D Student*. Tsinghua
- Yuhui Ding. *M.Phi*. HKUST





# Related Publication

1. Automorphic Equivalence-aware Graph Neural Network. NeurIPS 2021
2. Efficient, Simple and Automated Negative Sampling for Knowledge Graph Embedding. VLDBJ 2021
3. DiffMG: Differentiable Meta Graph Search for Heterogeneous Graph Neural Networks. KDD 2021
4. Searching to Sparsify Tensor Decomposition for N-ary Relational Data. WebConf 2021
5. Role-Aware Modeling for N-ary Relational Knowledge Bases. WebConf 2021
6. Efficient Relation-aware Scoring Function Search for Knowledge Graph Embedding. ICDE 2021
7. Search to aggregate neighborhood for graph neural network. ICDE 2021
8. Interstellar: Searching Recurrent Architecture for Knowledge Graph Embedding. NeurIPS 2020
9. Generalizing Tensor Decomposition for N-ary Relational Knowledge Bases. WebConf 2020
10. AutoSF: Searching Scoring Functions for Knowledge Graph Embedding. ICDE 2020





Thanks!

恳请各位批评&指正!