

Retrieval-augmented Generation on Graph-structured Data



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SDM25-GraphRAG

Addressing real-world tasks desire knowledge

Just can't remember.....



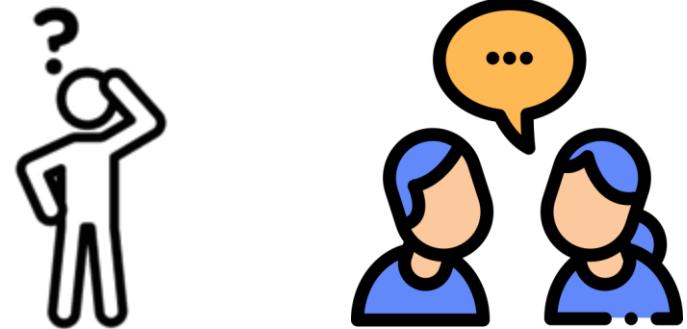
What are they talking about?



What should I look next?

Home & Kitchen > Kitchen & Dining > Coffee, Tea & Espresso > Espresso Machine & Coffeemaker Combos

The screenshot shows the product page for the L'OR Barista System Coffee and Espresso Machine. The main image displays the machine dispensing coffee into two cups. Below the main image are smaller thumbnail images showing different views of the machine and its components. The product title is "L'OR Barista System Coffee and Espresso Machine Combo by Philips, Matte Black". It has a rating of 4.2 stars from 2,976 reviews. The price is \$189.00. A promotional message offers \$32.58 in monthly payments with a 6-month plan, and a \$100 Amazon Gift Card upon approval for Prime Visa. The machine is available in four colors: Matte Black, Matte Grey/Pre..., Matte White, and Matte Grey Machine. The page also includes details about delivery, returns, and protection plans.

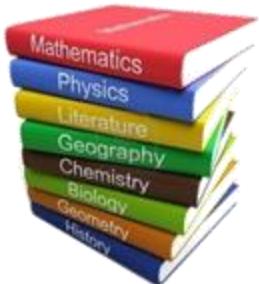


Missing
Knowledge!

Query/
Task
Request

Real-world knowledge is so much!

Textbook Knowledge Base



158 million books

[ISBN DB 2023](#)



Internet Knowledge Base



1.1 billion websites

[Musemind 2024](#)



Neural Knowledge Base



405 billion parameters

[Hugging Face 2024](#)



🧠 2.5 petabytes, 1 billion books

- We remember meanings, not details.
- We forget on purpose.
- Tiny active memory, Larger long-term memory.

Retrieval Knowledge to Augment
Downstream Task is Rather Important!

Retrieving External Knowledge

Open-book Exam



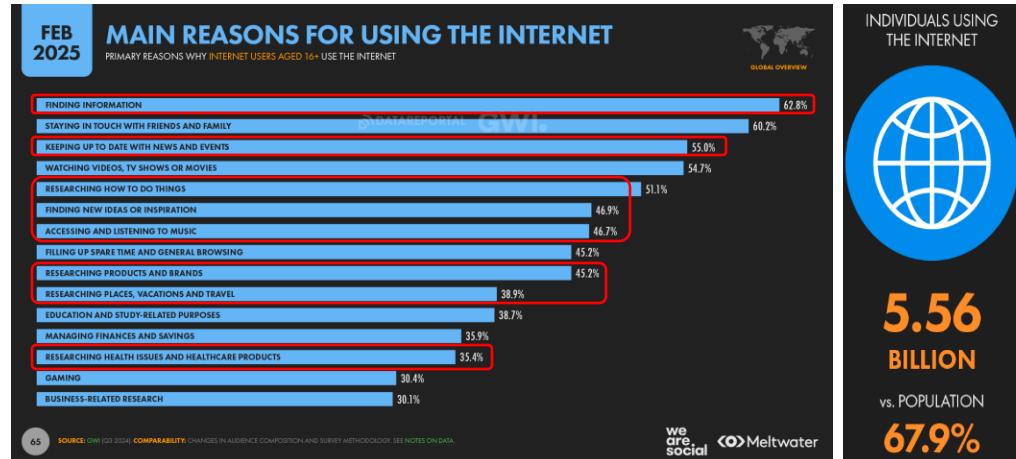
Google Search

A screenshot of a Google search results page. The search bar contains three queries: "Tariffs Economic Effect", "tariffs economic effect", and "trump tariffs economic effect". The results show a mix of news articles and academic papers.

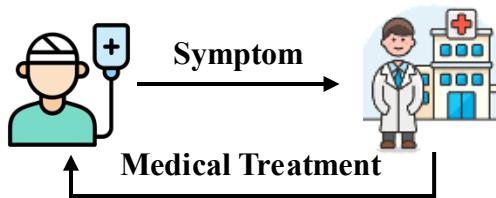
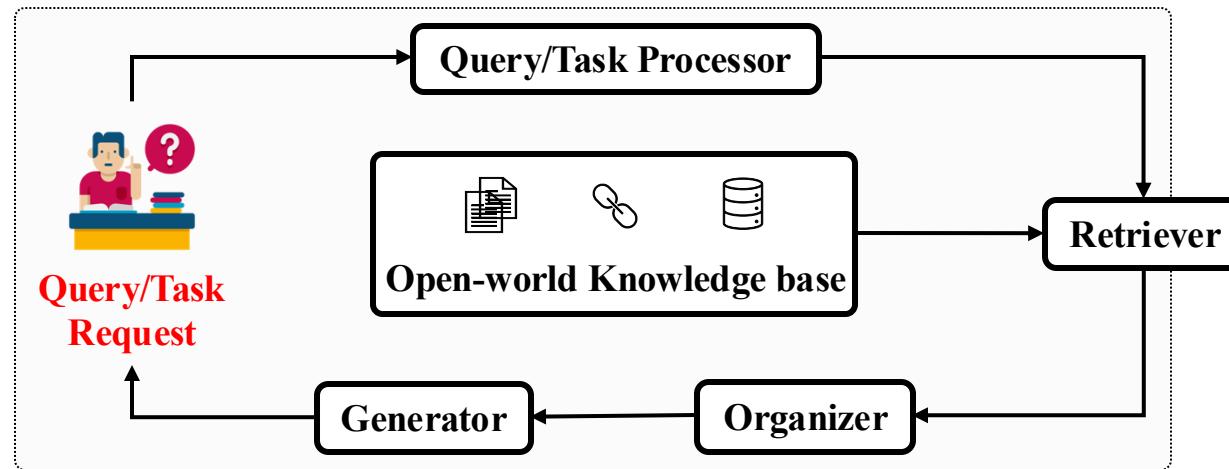
Online Shopping

A screenshot of an online shopping cart. It shows three items: an L'OR Barista System Coffee and Espresso Machine Combo by Philips, Matte Black; L'OR Espresso Capsules, 100 Count Ristretto, Single-Serve Aluminum Coffee Capsules; and L'OR Coffee Pods, 30 Capsules Chateau Medium Roast Blend, Single Cup Aluminum Coffee. The total price is \$274.78. A note says some items ship sooner than others. The cart also includes a sponsored item: L'OR Espresso Capsules, 100 Count Ristretto, Single-Serve Aluminum Coffee Capsules. The cart summary shows a total of 3 items and a total price of \$274.78.

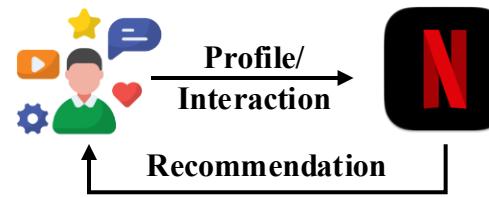
A screenshot of an online shopping cart showing recent views. It lists several espresso machines: Mr. Coffee Espresso Maker, Chefman Espresso Machine, Brew Single or Double Shots, Coffee Maker, Philips 4400 Series Fully Automatic Espresso Machine, HIBREW H108 - 51mm Espresso Machine, CHULUX Cafe-Pro Espresso Machine, PHILIPS Barista Brew Semi Automatic Espresso Machine, and DeLonghi Dedica Maestro Manual Espresso Machine. The cart summary shows a total of 6 items and a total price of \$1479.97.



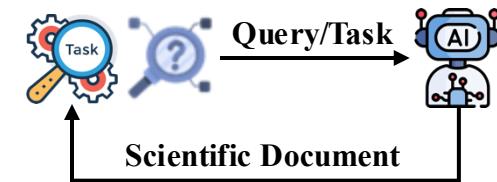
Retrieval-augmented Generation (RAG)



Any idea why I
might be sick?



Can you recommend a mouse
repellent that has a nice smell?



Find me papers that discuss
improving condensers performance

Retrieval-augmented Generation (RAG)

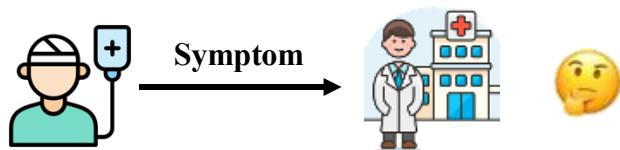
Really tired.

Temperature is over 100.

Recently in France.

Drank a lot of tap water there.

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Tired, Temperature
France, Tap water.
Why Sick?

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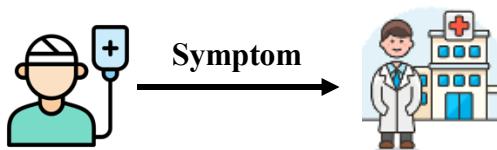
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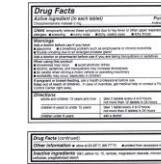


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EHR



Drug Doc Social Circle



Gastrointestinal issues
in 2022 trip to America.

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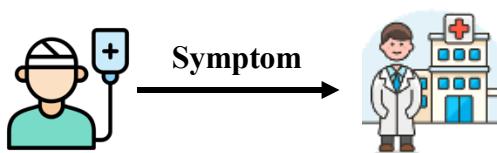
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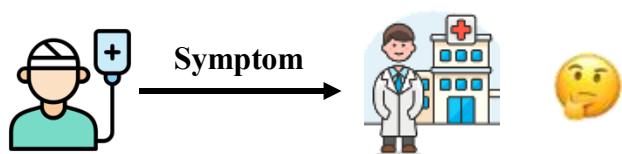
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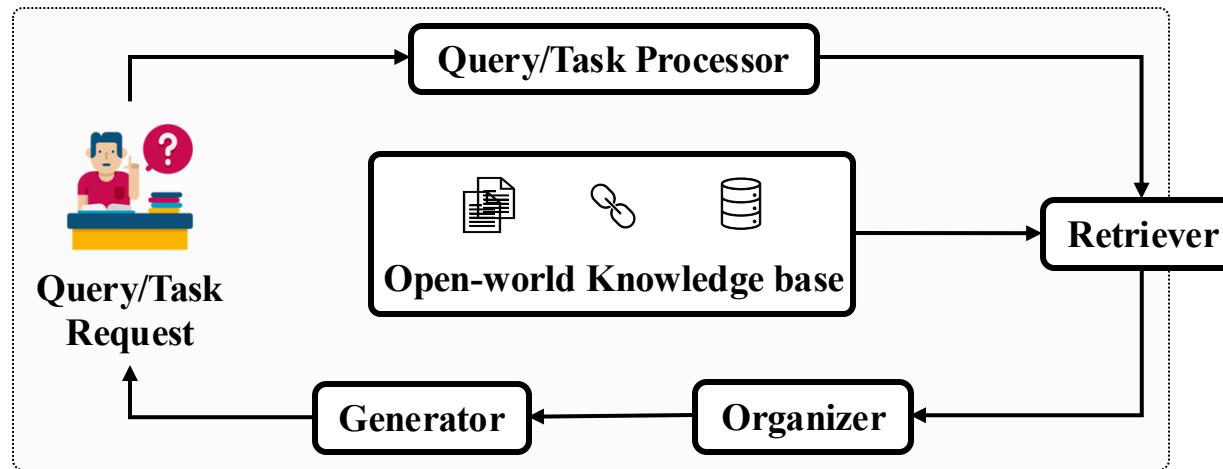
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Retrieval-augmented Generation (RAG)



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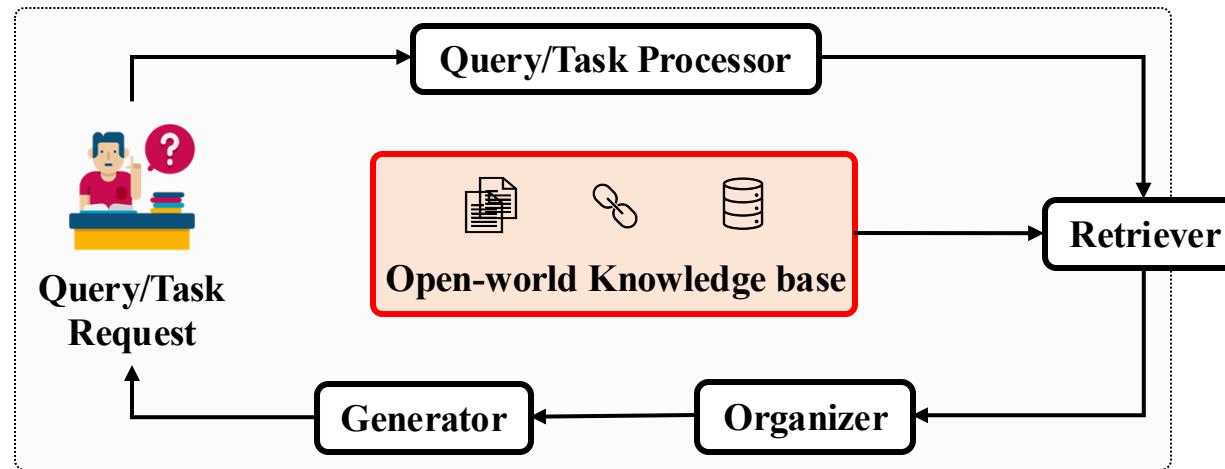
(2) $\hat{Q} = \Omega^{\text{Processor}}(Q)$

(4) $C = \Omega^{\text{Retriever}}(\hat{Q}, G)$

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(6) $A = \Omega^{\text{Generator}}(\hat{Q}, \hat{C})$

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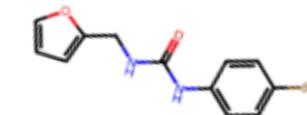
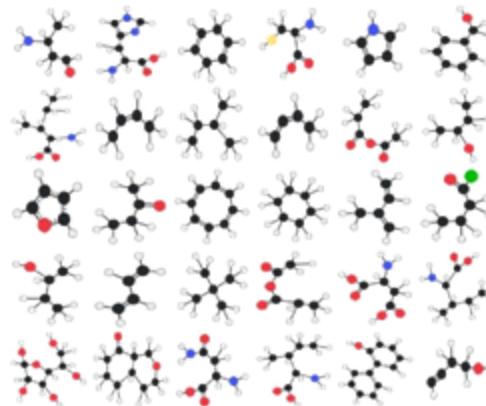
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**Real-world knowledge can be extremely
complex and heterogeneous!**

Retrieval-augmented Generation (RAG) – Drug Design

Optimizing the binding affinity
 ≤ -4.9 kcal/mol



Chemical Property
Depends on 3D structures

Compounds Knowledge Base

PubChem

Explore Chemistry

Quickly find chemical information from authoritative sources

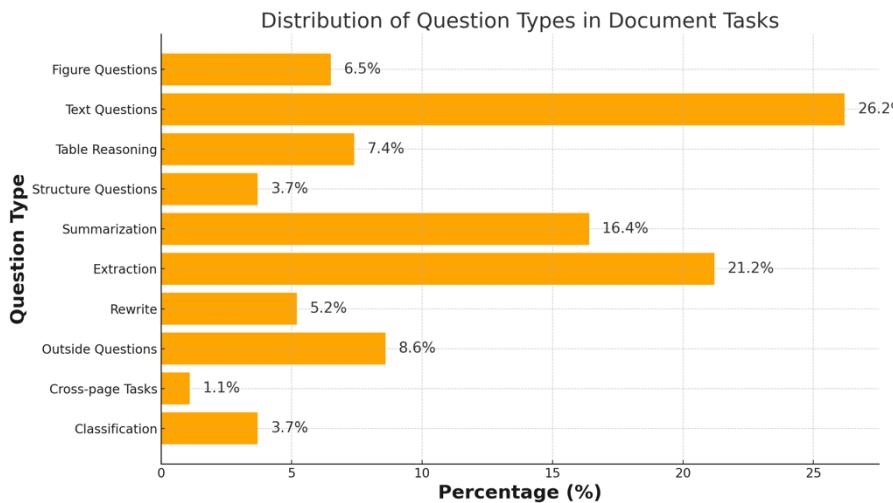
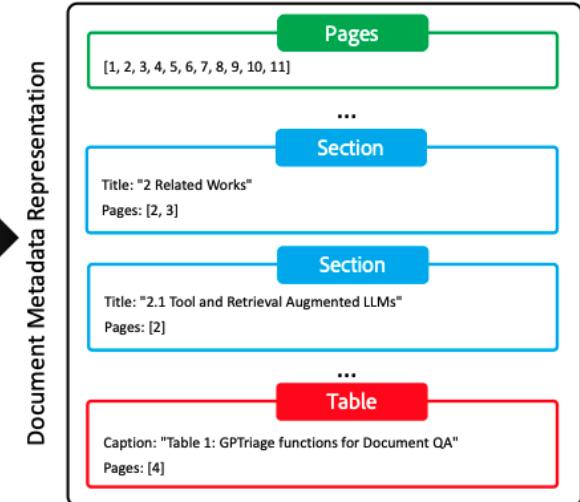
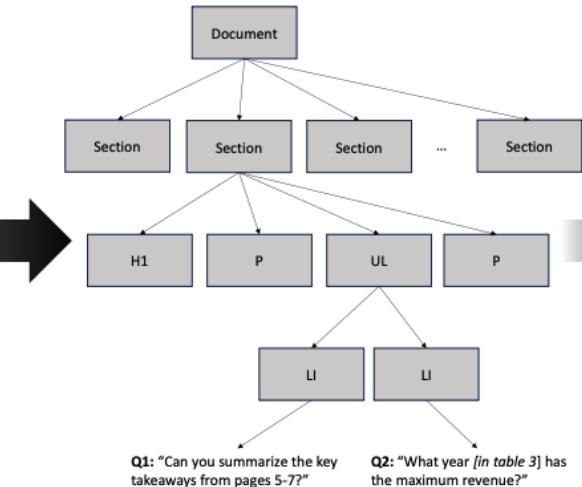
Try aspirin EGFR C9H₈O₄ 57-27-2 C1=CC=C(C=C1)C=O InChI=1S/C3H₆O/c1-3(2)4/h1-2H3

Use Entrez Compounds Substances BioAssays

 Draw Structure  Upload ID List  Browse Data  Periodic Table

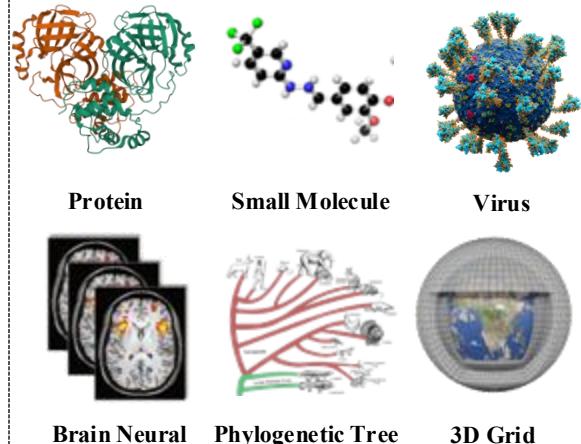
- **119M** Compounds
- **329M** Substances
- **297M** Bioactivities
- **42M** Literature
- **54M** Patents [pubchem](#)

Retrieval-augmented Generation (RAG) – Document

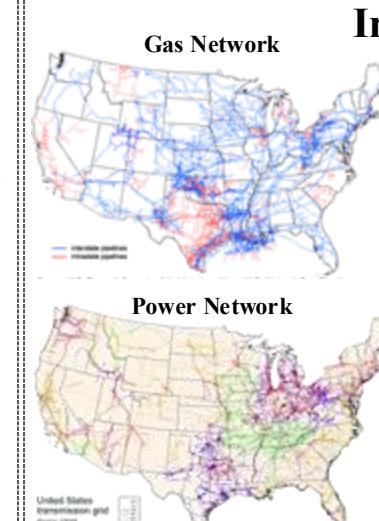


Heterogeneous knowledge can be represented as Graph

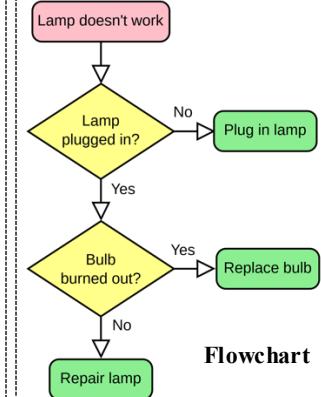
Scientific Graph



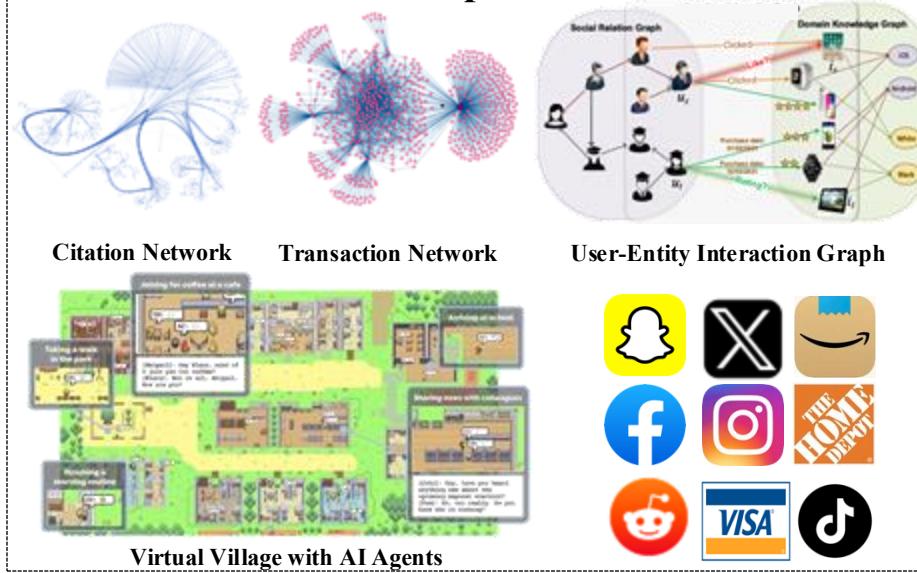
Infrastructure Graph



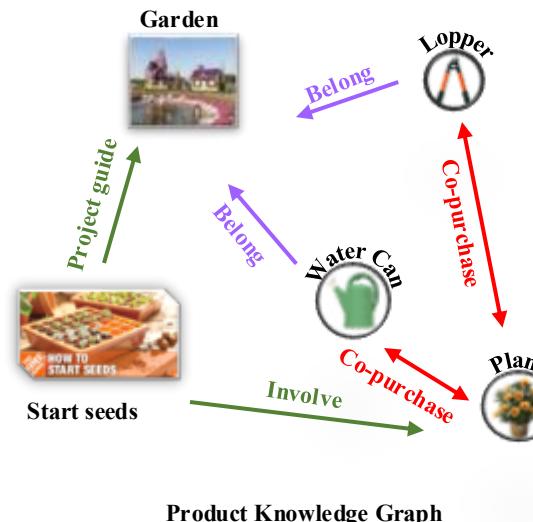
Reasoning/Planning Graph



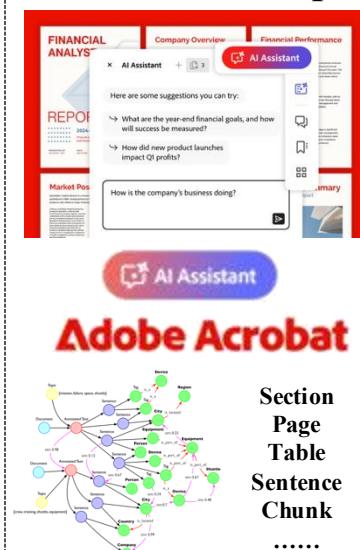
Social Interaction Graph



Knowledge Graph

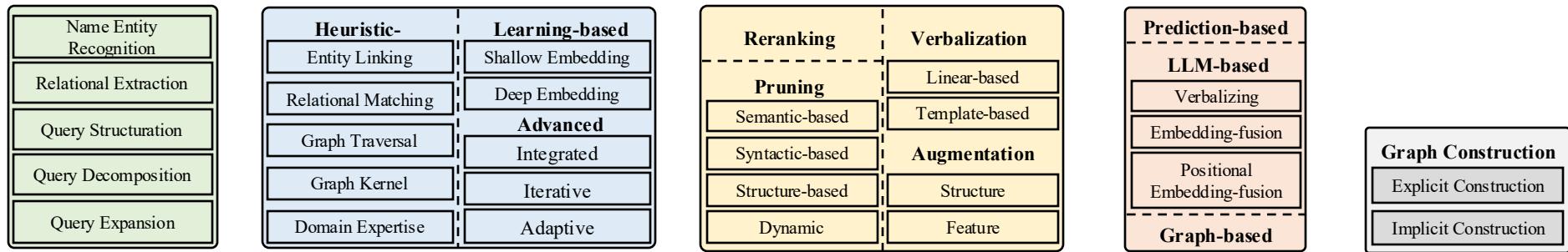
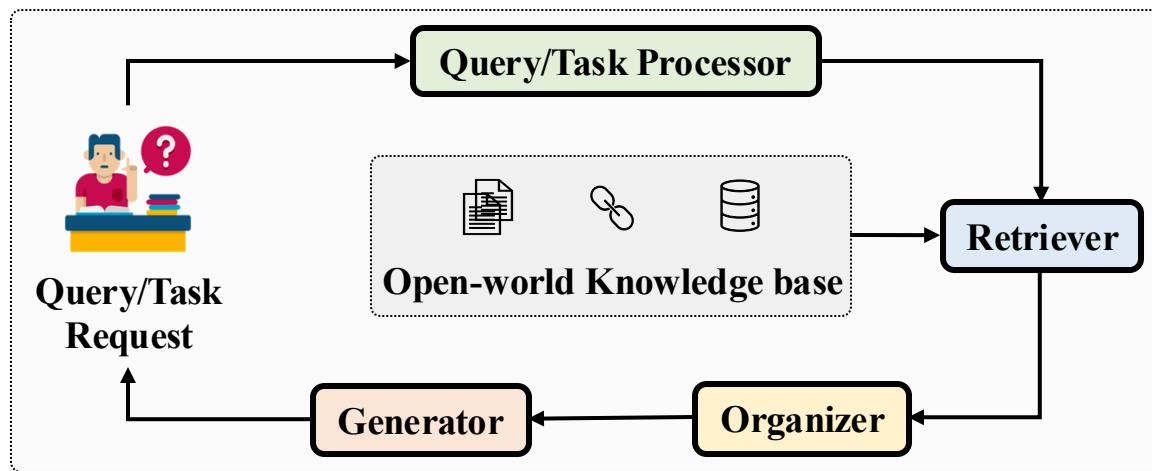
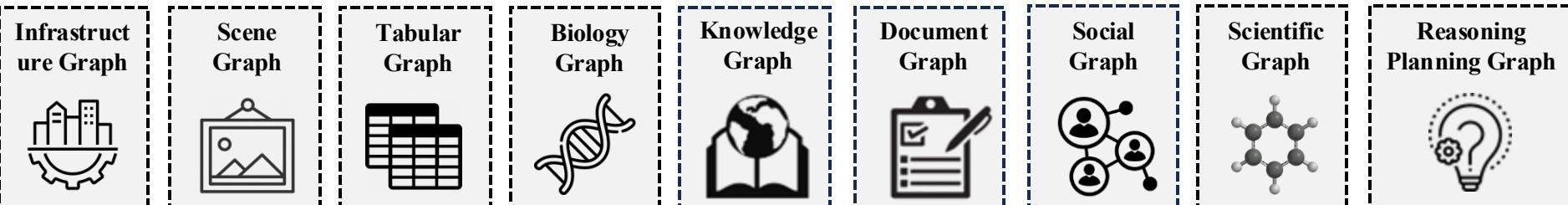


Document Graph

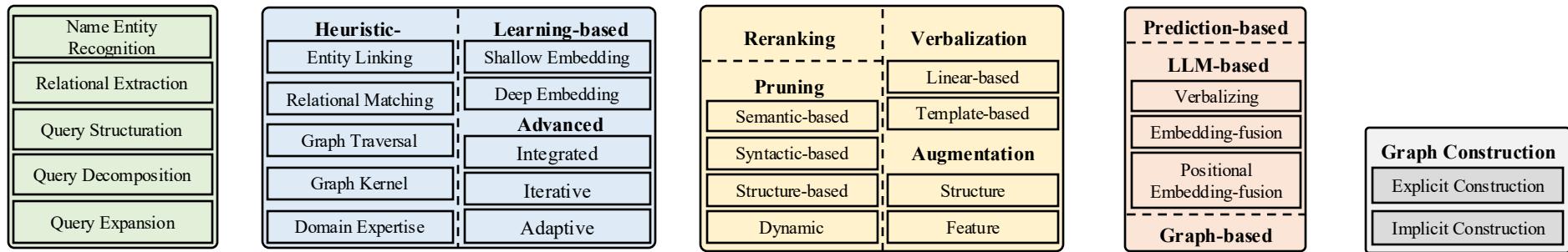
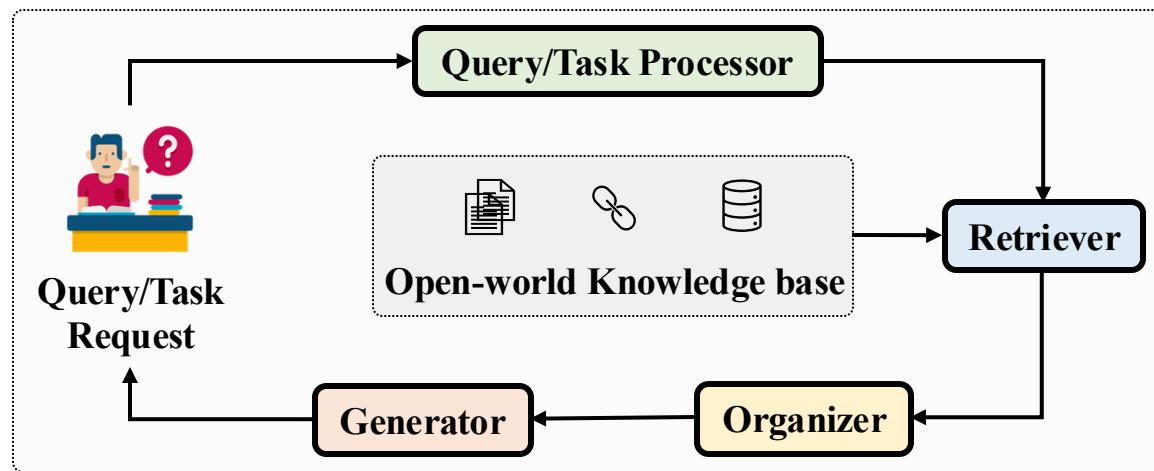
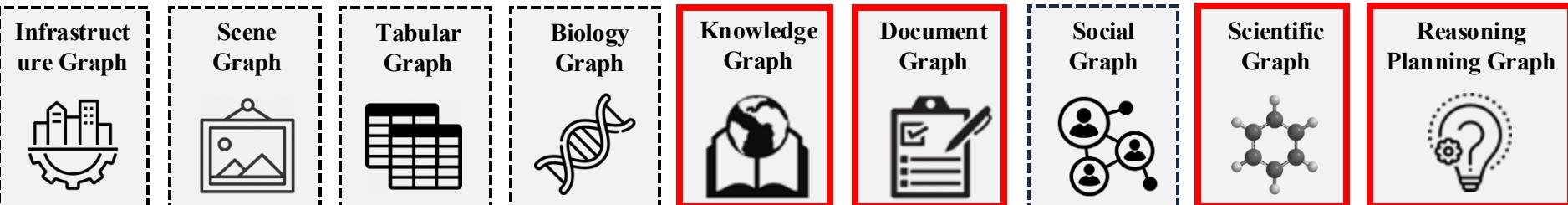


Section
Page
Table
Sentence
Chunk
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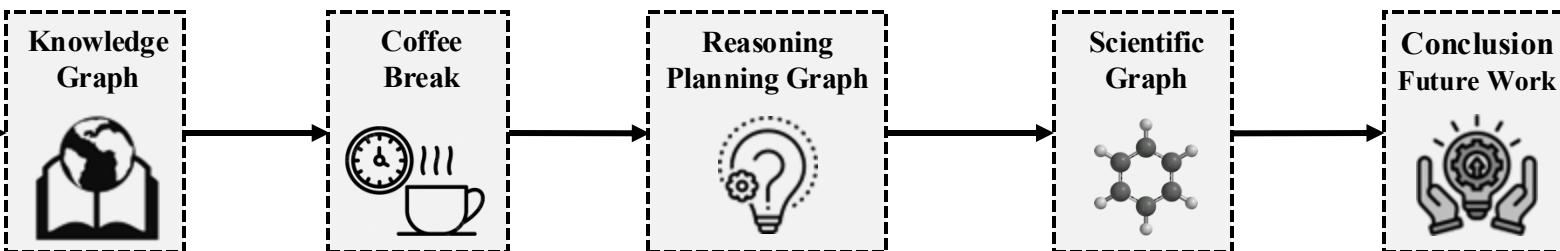
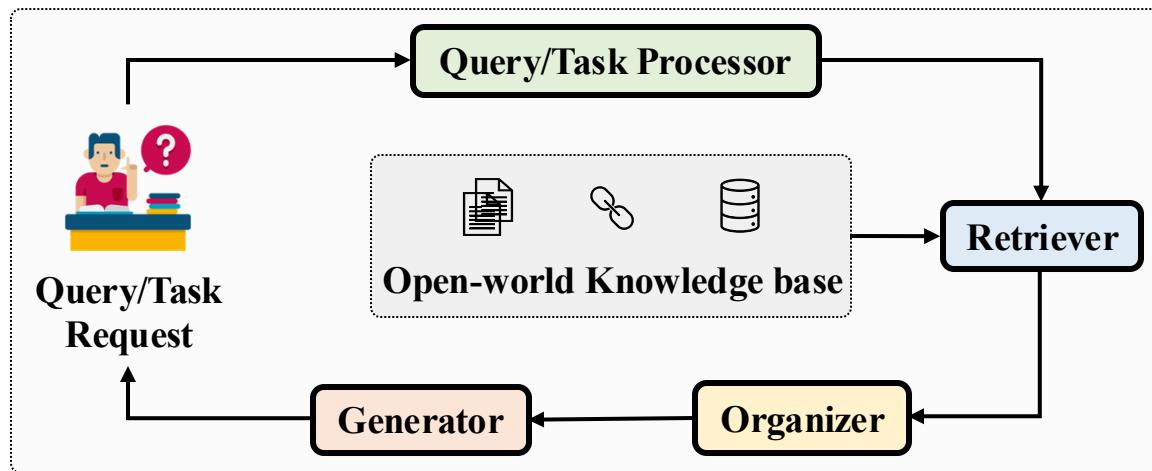
Graph Retrieval-augmented Generation (GraphRAG)



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Outline



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24 min

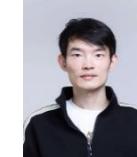


Harry Shomer
24 min

4 min



Yongjia Lei
24 min

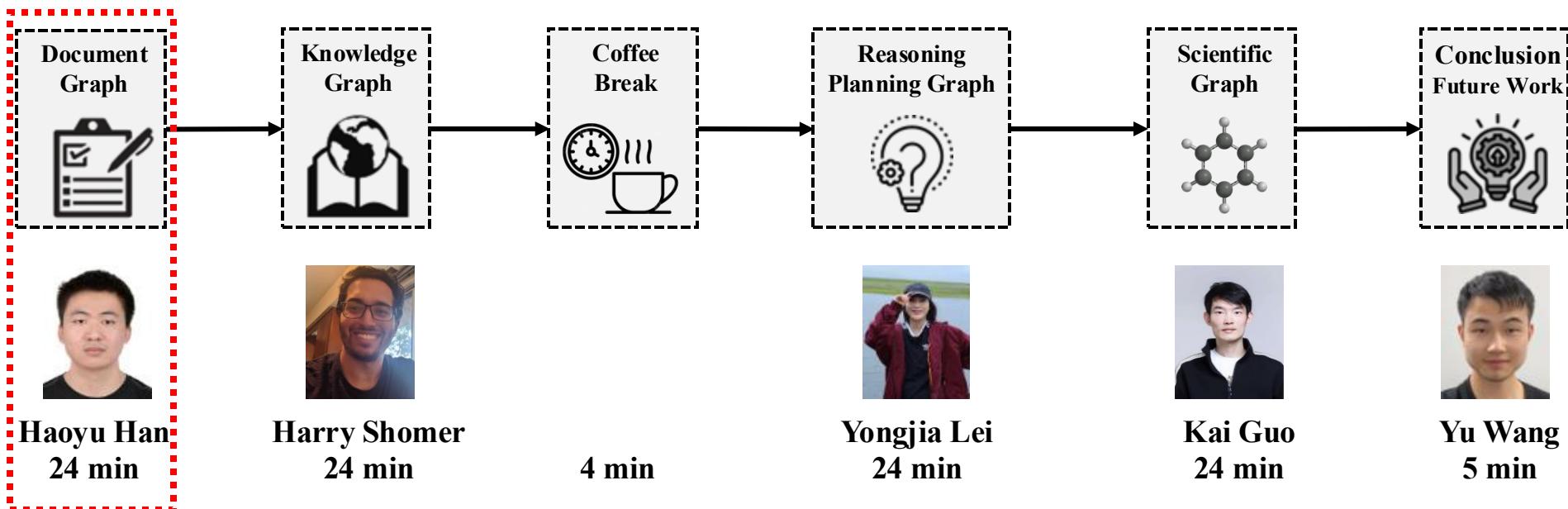
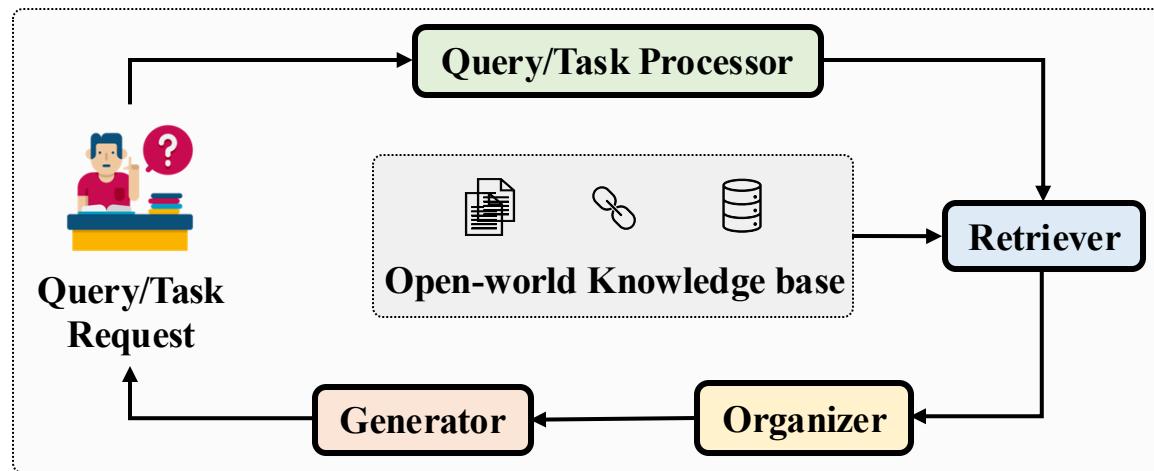


Kai Guo
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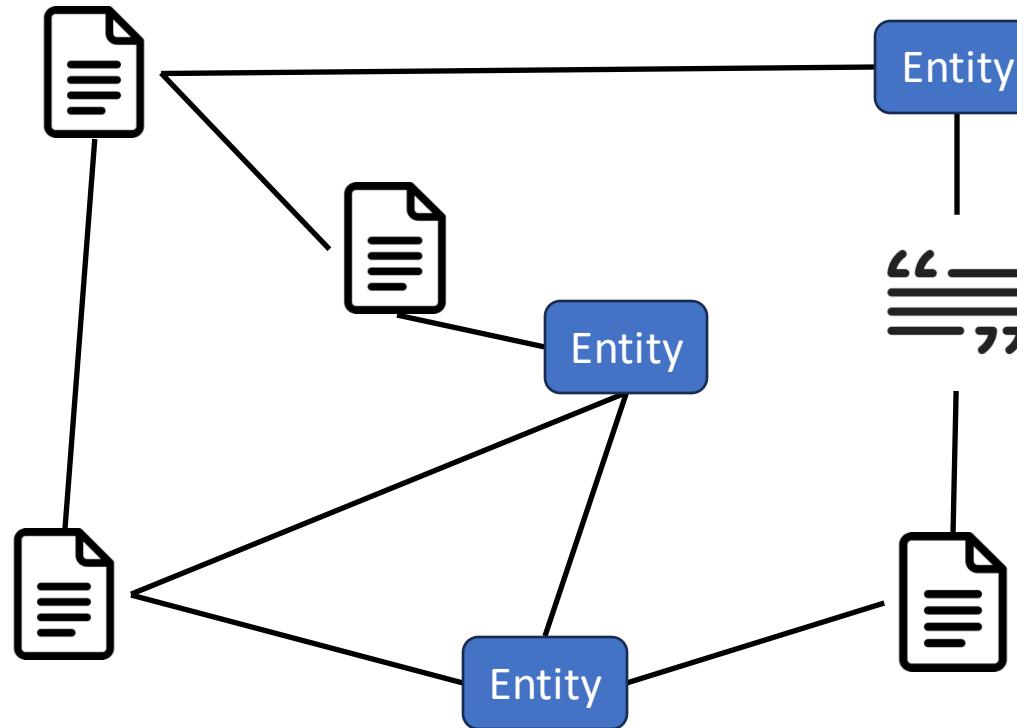
Yu Wang
5 min

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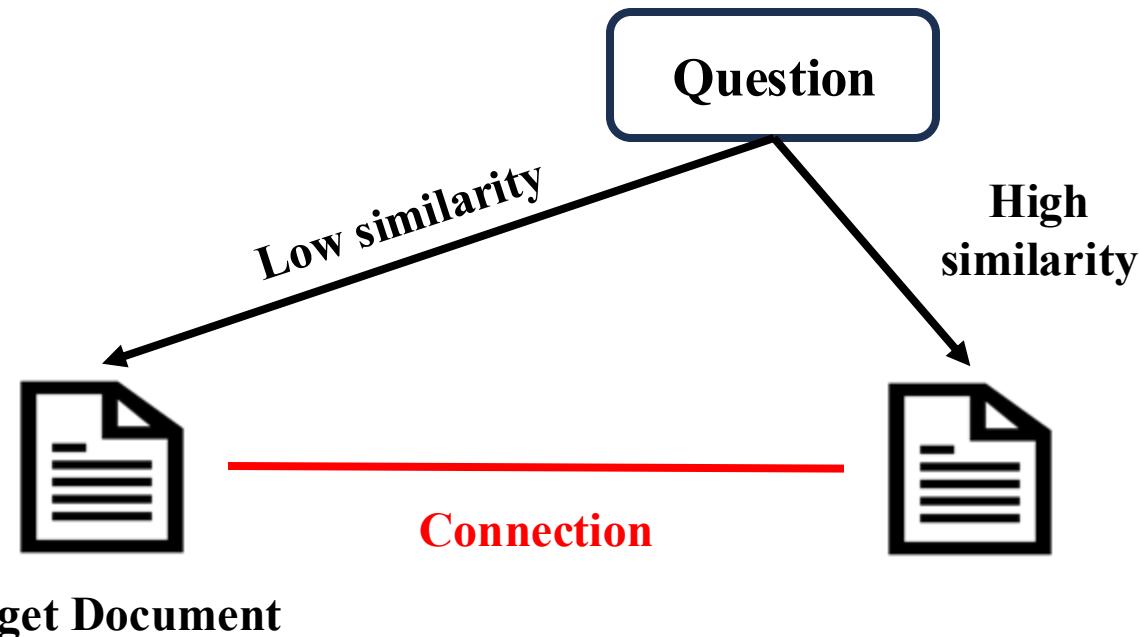
Connections between different documents or various granularity of documents.



Why should we build document graphs?

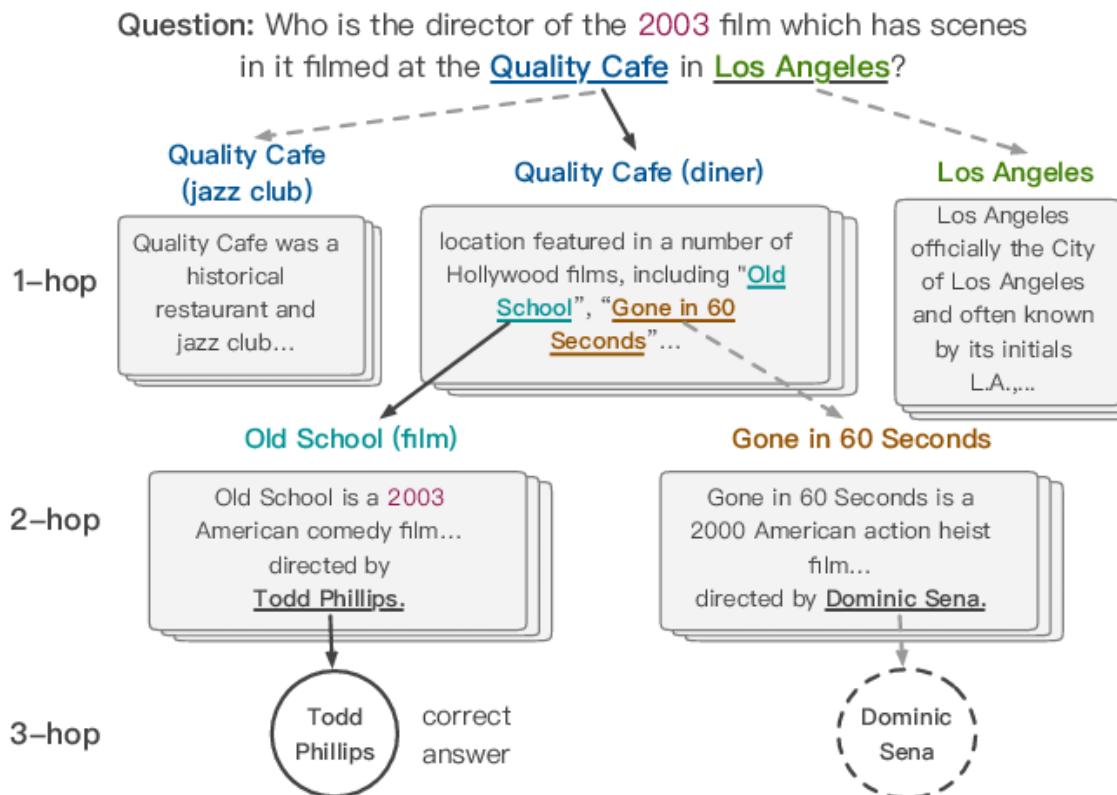
Document Graph Motivation - Beyond Semantic Similarity

Target documents may have low similarity with the question.
But can still be **retrieved via graph-based connections**.



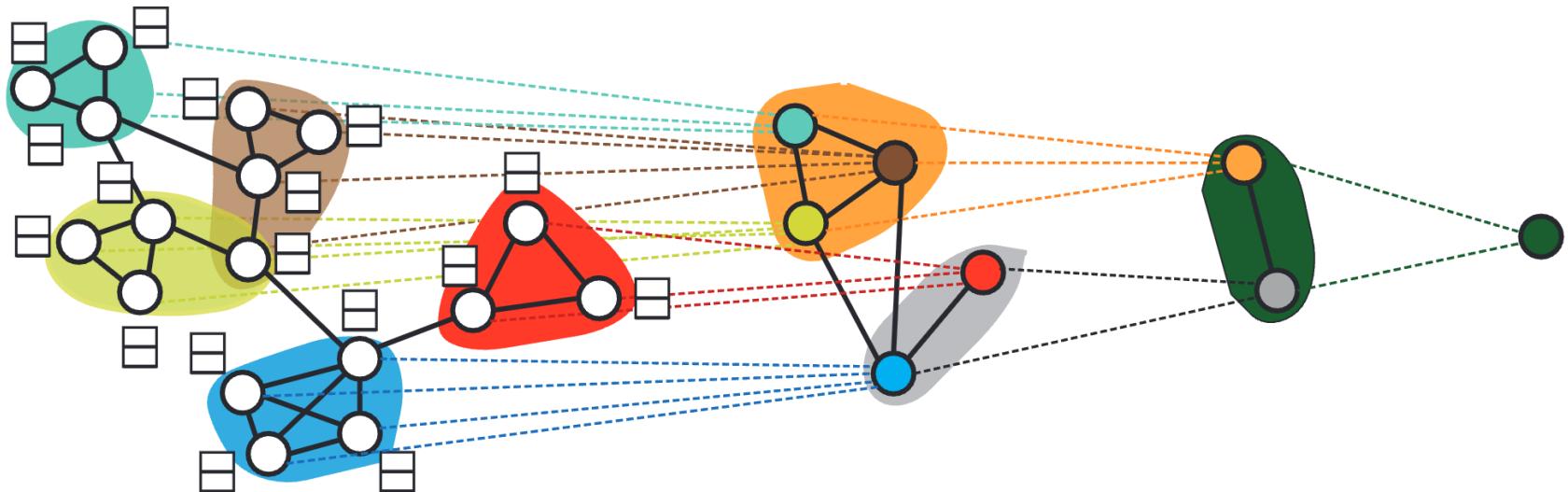
Document Graph Motivation - Multi-hop Reasoning

The graph structure inherently supports multi-hop reasoning.



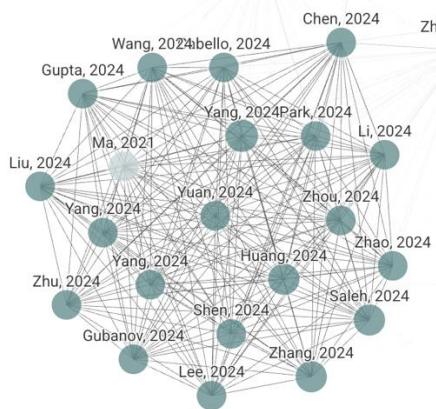
Document Graph Motivation - Global Summarization

Hierarchical graph structure supports global information retrieval.

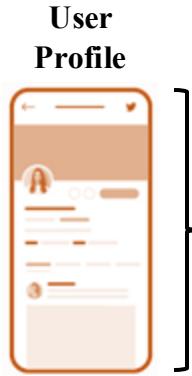


Document Graph Construction – Explicit Construction

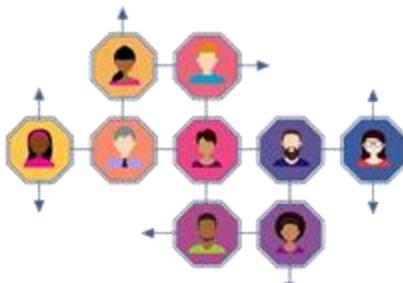
Building graphs using (pre)-defined relationships present in the data.



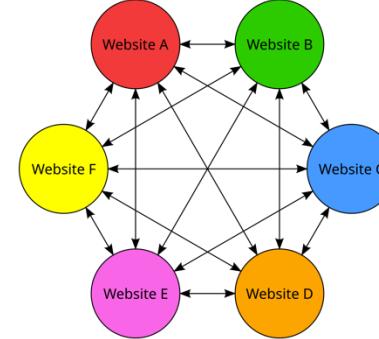
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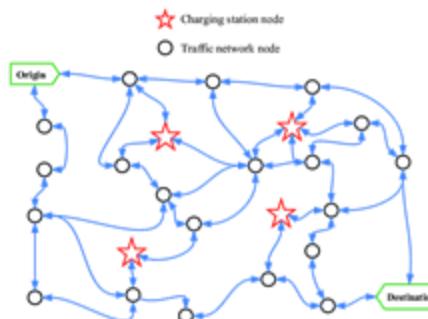
User Profile



Social Relation



Web Hyperlinks

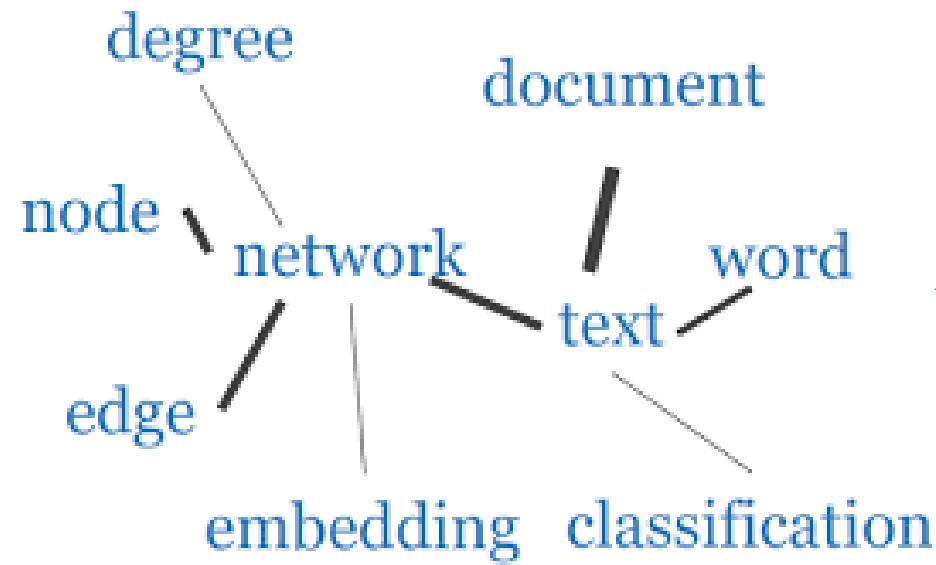


Traffic Document

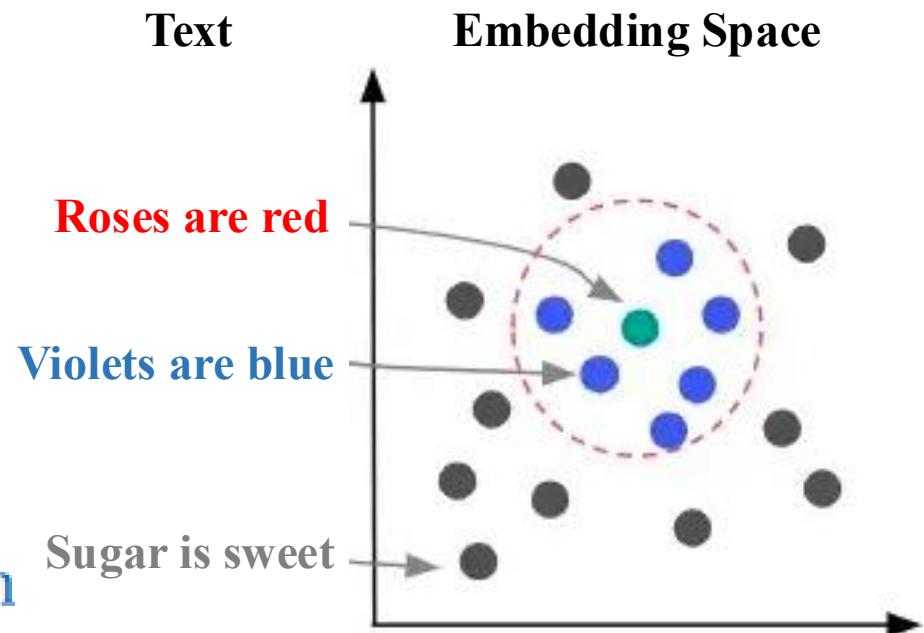
Spatial Relation

Document Graph Construction – Implicit Construction

Building graphs by leveraging latent or implicit relations between nodes



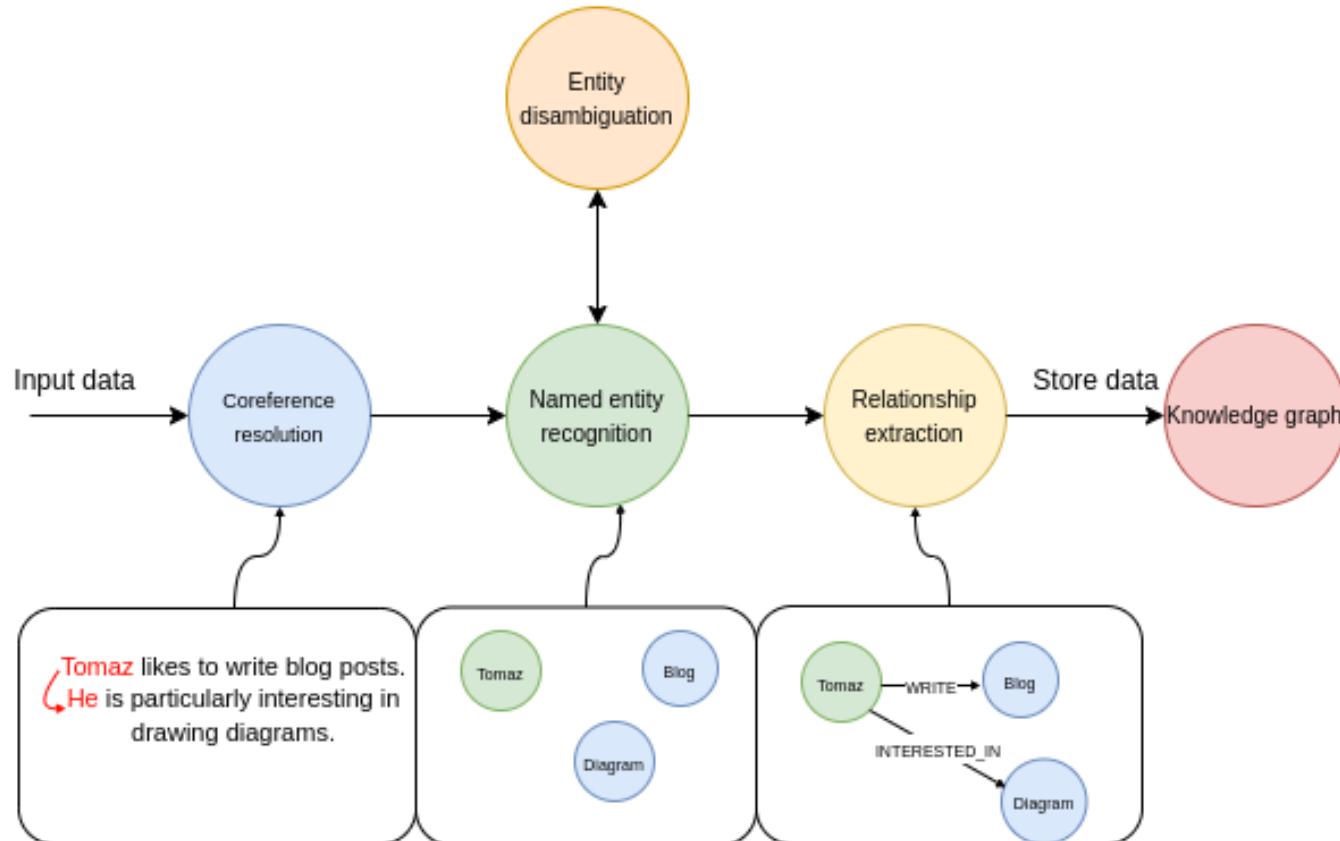
Word Co-Occurrence



Semantic Similarity

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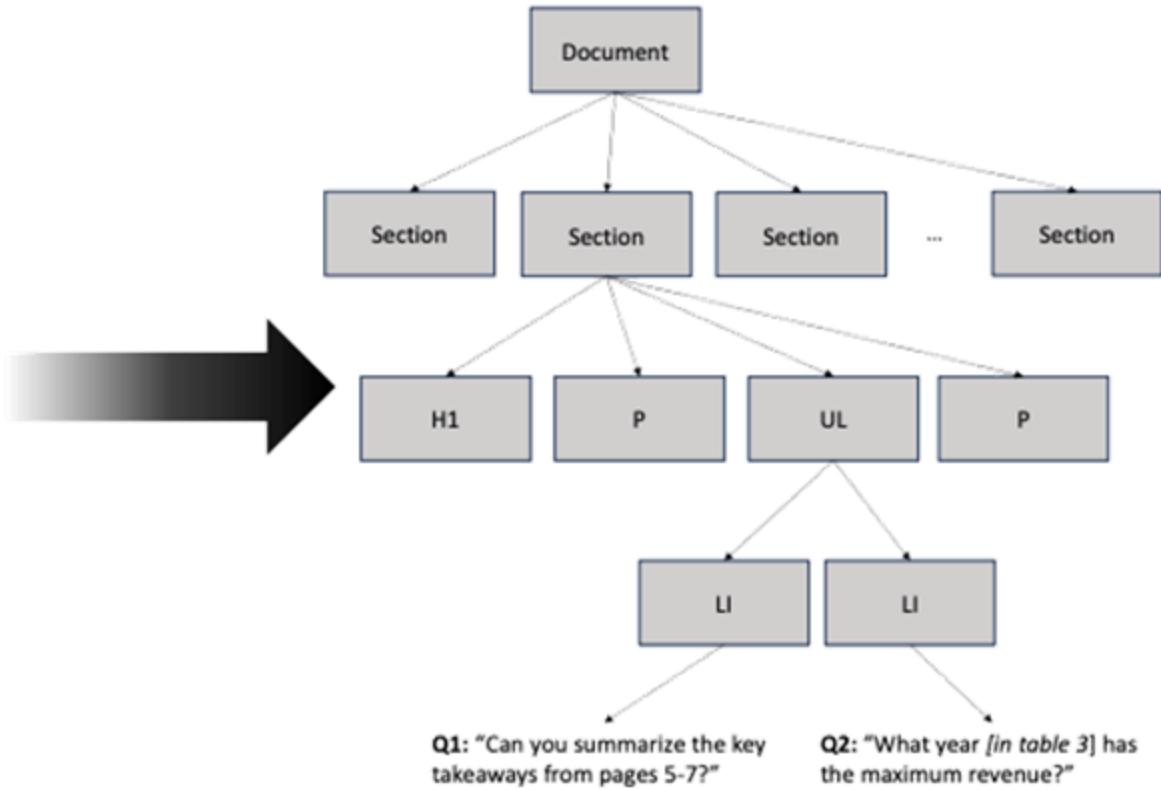
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Entity and Relation Extraction

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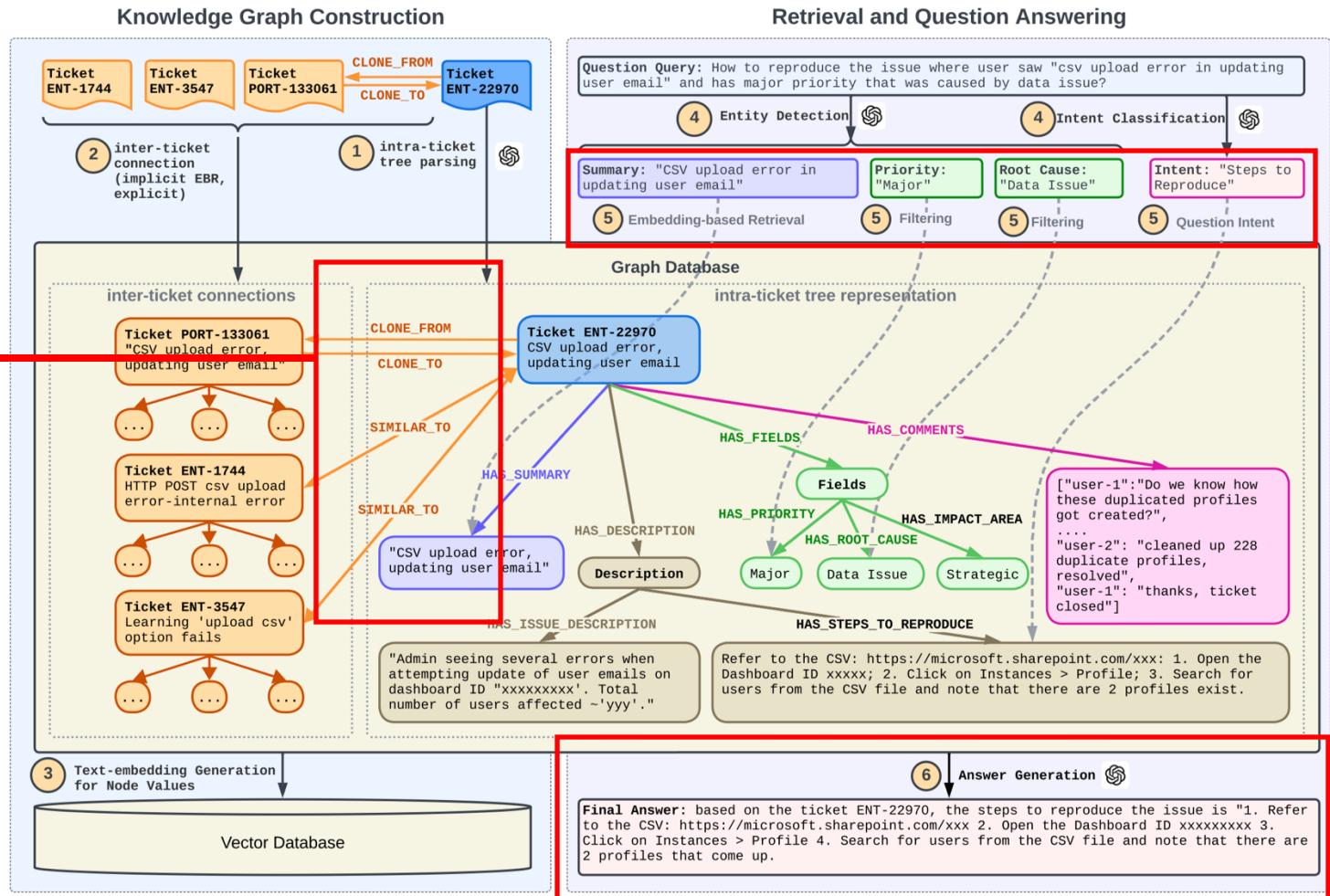
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Document Structure

Document Graph – Question-Answering

Leverage the solution of previous tickets to answer the current ticket



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Table 1: Retrieval Performance

	MRR	Recall@K		NDCG@K	
		K=1	K=3	K=1	K=3
Baseline	0.522	0.400	0.640	0.400	0.520
Experiment	0.927	0.860	1.000	0.860	0.946

Table 2: Question Answering Performance

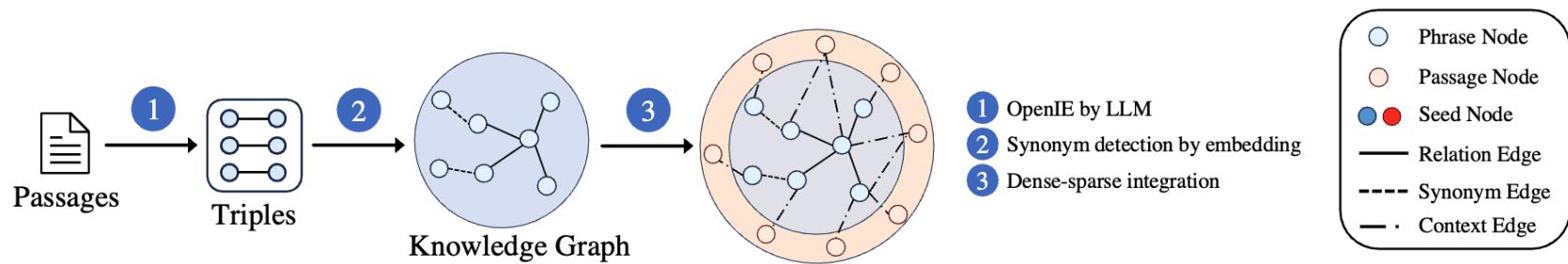
	BLEU	METEOR	ROUGE
Baseline	0.057	0.279	0.183
Experiment	0.377	0.613	0.546

Table 3: Customer Support Issue Resolution Time

Group	Mean	P50	P90
Tool Not Used	40 Hours	7 Hours	87 Hours
Tool Used	15 hours	5 hours	47 hours

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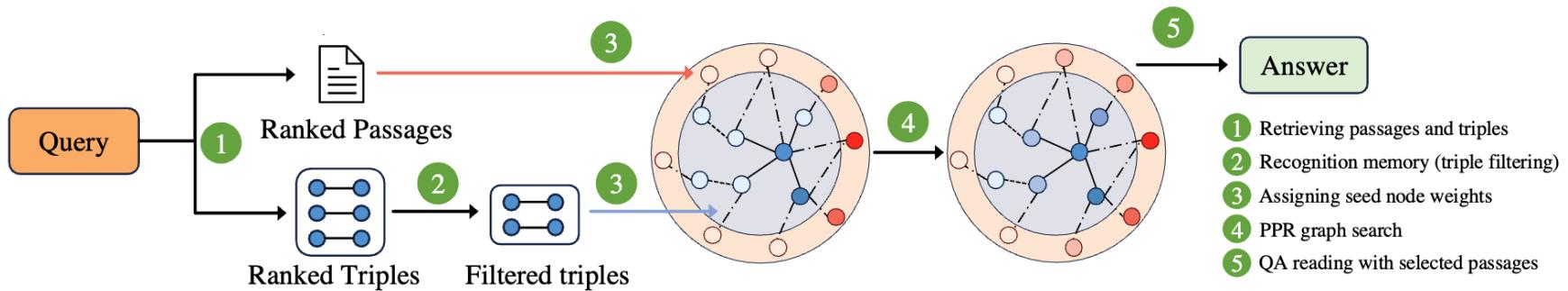
HippoRAG 2 - Implicit graph construction from documents



1. Triplet Construction: LLMs extract entities/relations
2. Identify synonymous entities and connect them
3. Connect Extracted Entities with Originating Passages

Document Graph – Question-Answering

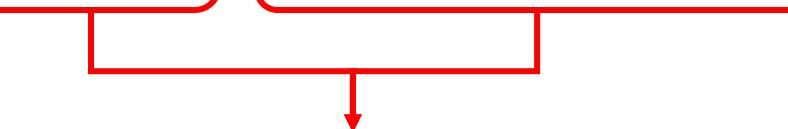
HippoRAG 2 - Retrieval & QA



1. Passage Retrieval by Semantic Similarity
2. Triplets-Retrieval
 - a. Query Entity Extraction and map to the graph
 - b. Similarity (Query, Nodes)
 - c. Similarity (Query, Triplets)
3. Retrieve on the Graph: Personalized PageRank search
4. Answer Generation

Document Graph – Question-Answering

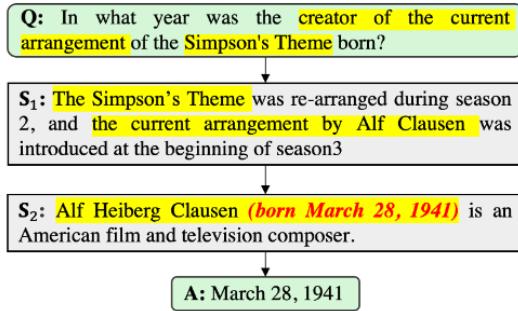
Retrieval	Simple QA			Multi-Hop QA			Discourse Understanding	
	NQ	PopQA	MuSiQue	2Wiki	HotpotQA	LV-Eval	NarrativeQA	Avg
Simple Baselines								
None	54.9	32.5	26.1	42.8	47.3	6.0	12.9	38.4
Contriever (Izacard et al., 2022)	58.9	53.1	31.3	41.9	62.3	8.1	19.7	46.9
BM25 (Robertson & Walker, 1994)	59.0	49.9	28.8	51.2	63.4	5.9	18.3	47.7
GTR (T5-base) (Ni et al., 2022)	59.9	<u>56.2</u>	34.6	52.8	62.8	7.1	19.9	50.4
Large Embedding Models								
GTE-Qwen2-7B-Instruct (Li et al., 2023)	<u>62.0</u>	56.3	40.9	60.0	71.0	7.1	21.3	54.9
GritLM-7B (Muennighoff et al., 2024)	61.3	55.8	44.8	60.6	73.3	9.8	23.9	56.1
NV-Embed-v2 (7B) (Lee et al., 2025)	61.9	55.7	<u>45.7</u>	61.5	<u>75.3</u>	9.8	<u>25.7</u>	<u>57.0</u>
Structure-Augmented RAG								
RAPTOR (Sarthi et al., 2024)	50.7	<u>56.2</u>	28.9	52.1	69.5	5.0	21.4	48.8
GraphRAG (Edge et al., 2024)	46.9	48.1	38.5	58.6	68.6	<u>11.2</u>	23.0	49.6
LightRAG (Guo et al., 2024)	16.6	2.4	1.6	11.6	2.4	1.0	3.7	6.6
HippoRAG (Gutiérrez et al., 2024)	55.3	55.9	35.1	71.8	63.5	8.4	16.3	53.1
HippoRAG 2	63.3	<u>56.2</u>	48.6	<u>71.0</u>	75.5	12.9	25.9	59.8



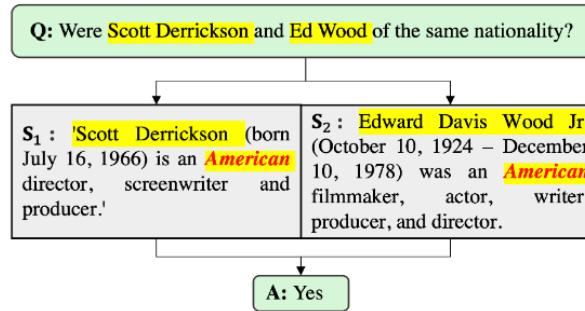
GraphRAG is typically more effective for multi-hop QA.

Document Graph – Question-Answering

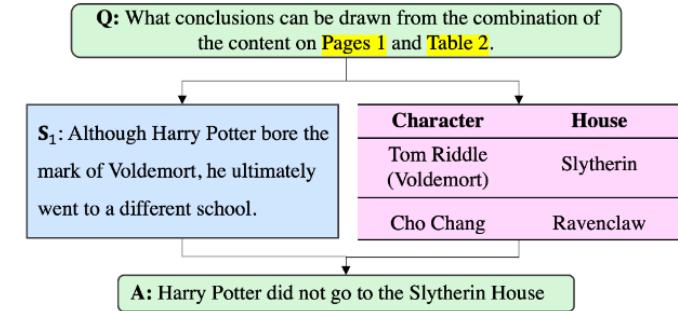
(a) Content question - Bridging



(b) Content question - Comparing



(c) Structural question

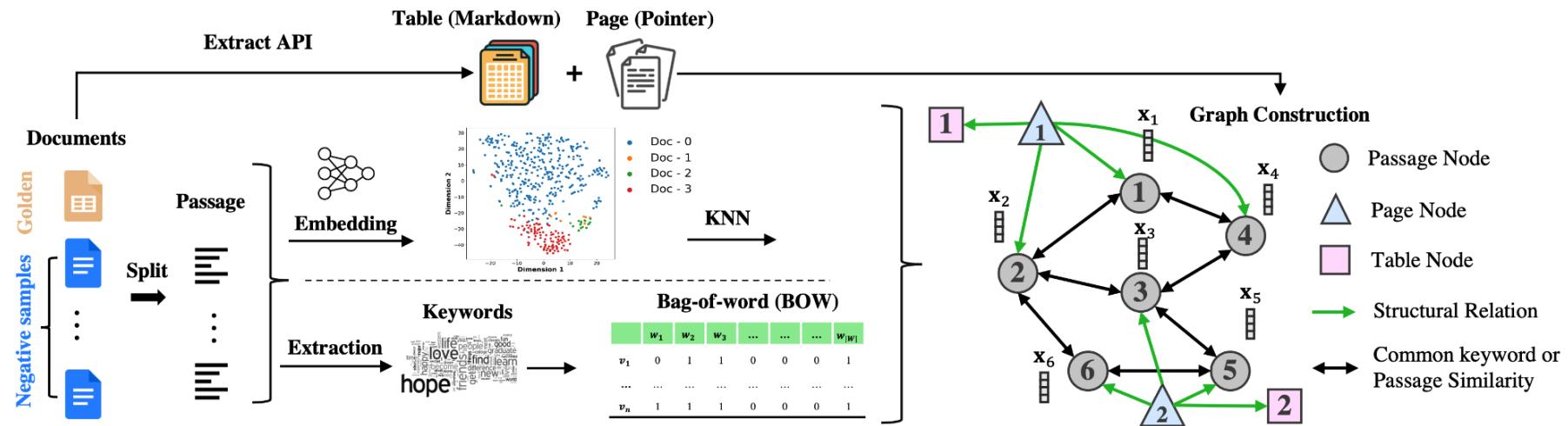


Lexical similarity

Semantic similarity

Document Structure

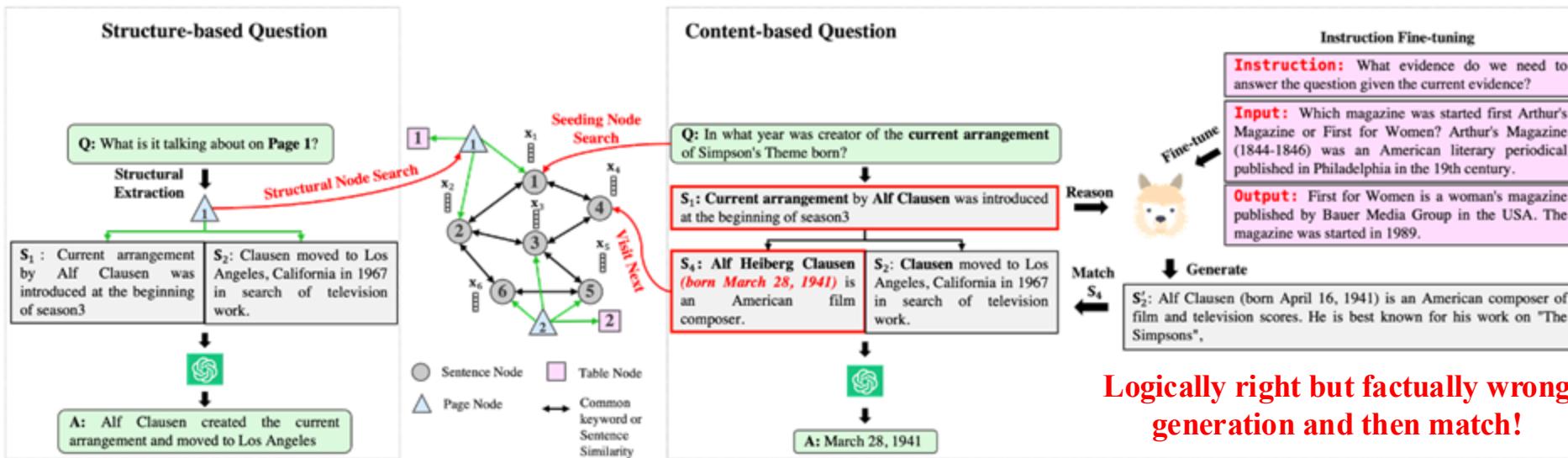
Document Graph – Question-Answering



1. Graph Construction

- a. TF-IDF construction
- b. KNN construction
- c. Connect passages share same entity
- d. Add Table/Page Document Meta-Structure

Document Graph – Question-Answering



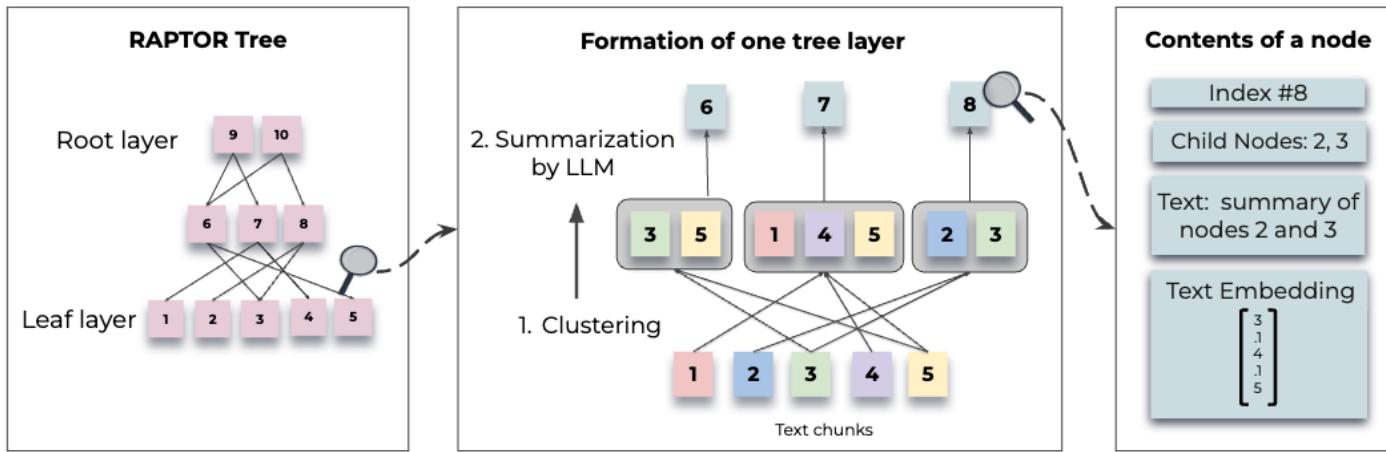
2. Retrieval (LLM traversal agent for reasoning and grounding)

- Initialize the seeding passage with similarity search
- LLMs predict the next passage to explore
- Retrieve passages based on LLM's generation

Document Graph – Question-Answering

RAPTOR – Tree-based Retrieval

Tree structure to capture **High/Low-level** information



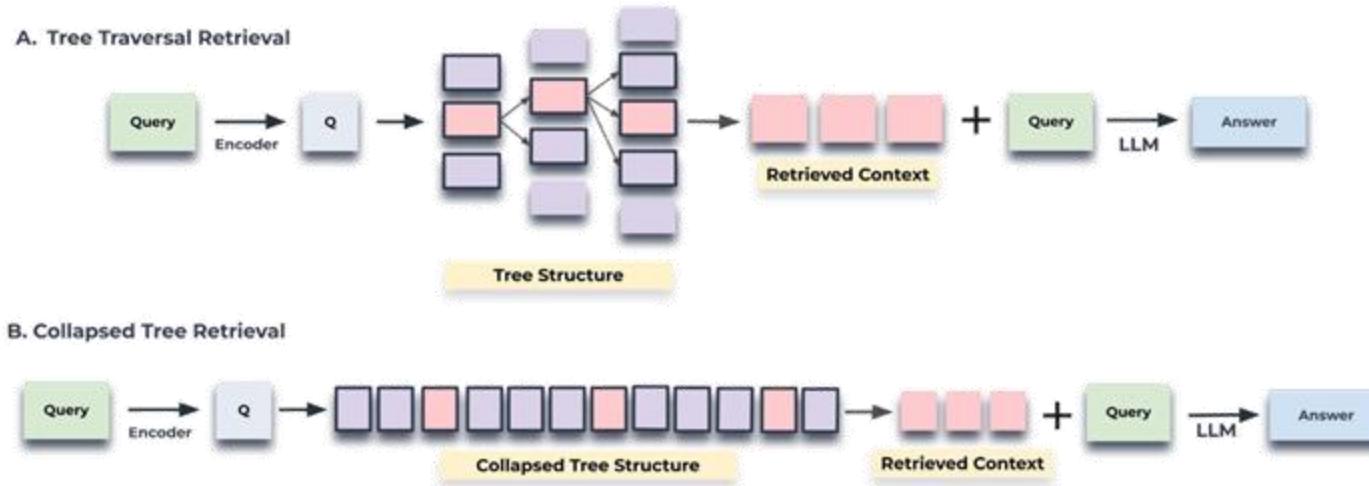
1. Graph Construction

- Represent each leaf node as a text chunk
- Apply clustering algorithms to group related chunks
- Summarize each cluster to form higher-level nodes
- Repeat the construction process

Document Graph – Question-Answering

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2. Retrieval

- Tree Traversal Retrieval: Root-to-Leaf Traversal, Progressively Narrowing Down
- Collapsed Tree Retrieval: Flatten Tree Structure, Independently Retrieve

Document Graph – Question-Answering

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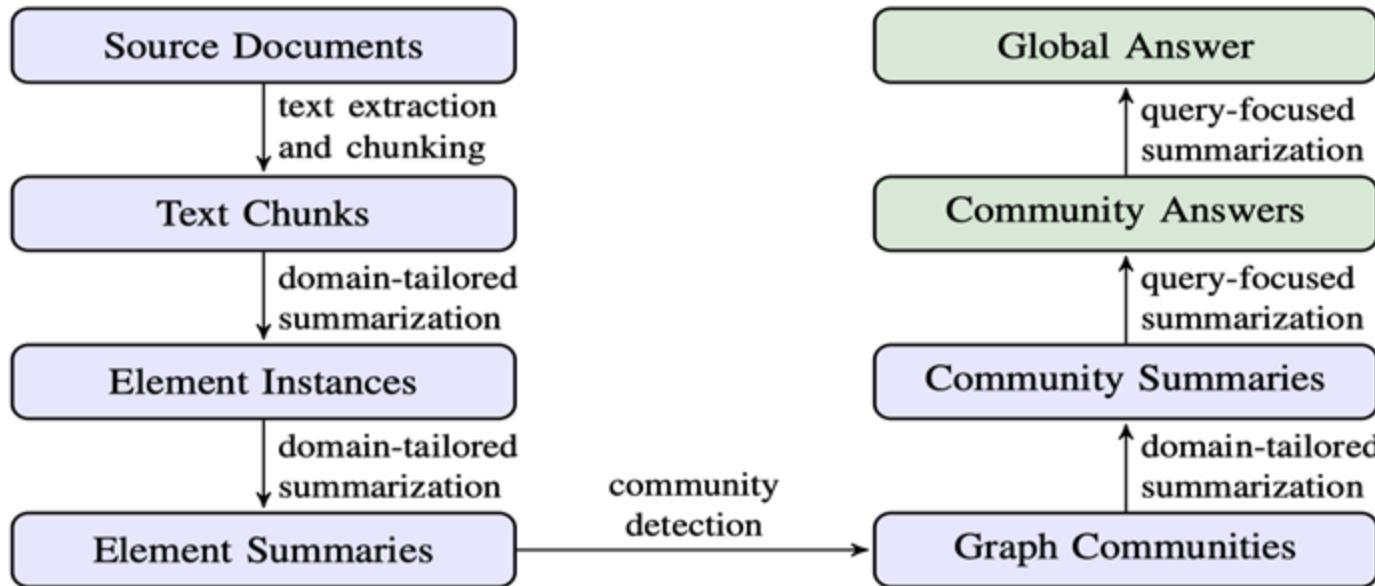
Model	ROUGE	BLEU-1	BLEU-4	METEOR
SBERT with RAPTOR	30.87%	23.50%	6.42%	19.20%
SBERT without RAPTOR	29.26%	22.56%	5.95%	18.15%
BM25 with RAPTOR	27.93%	21.17%	5.70%	17.03%
BM25 without RAPTOR	23.52%	17.73%	4.65%	13.98%
DPR with RAPTOR	30.94%	23.51%	6.45%	19.05%
DPR without RAPTOR	29.56%	22.84%	6.12%	18.44%

Tree-based retrieval improves global QA performance.

Document Graph – Document Summarization

Microsoft GraphRAG

Corpus to summarize too large vs LLM context window is limited

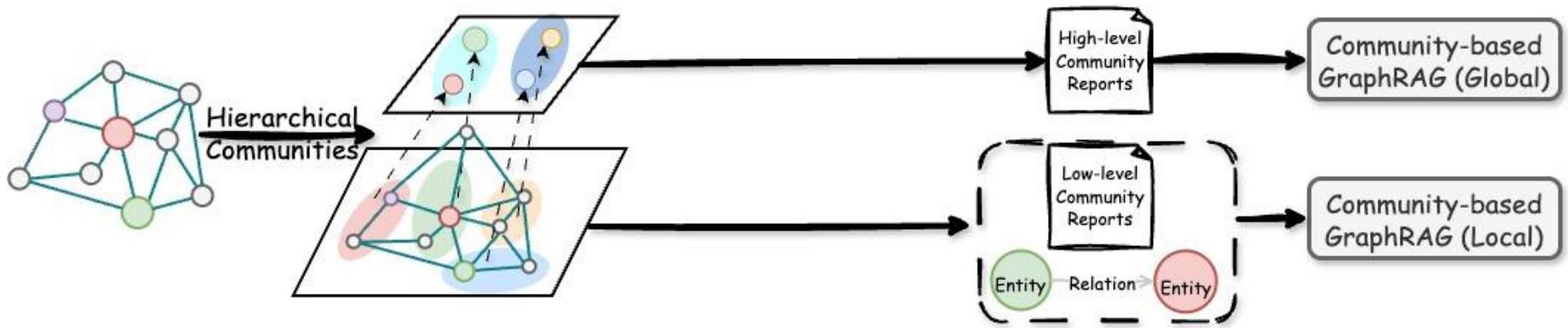


Extract a knowledge graph
from the whole corpus.

Hierarchical Community
Detection and Summarization
Multiple Granularities

Document Graph – Document Summarization

Microsoft GraphRAG



1. **Local Retrieval** from leaf nodes
2. **Global Retrieval** from summarization nodes

Document Graph – Document Summarization

Microsoft GraphRAG

Podcast transcripts

	SS	TS	C0	C1	C2	C3
SS	50	17	28	25	22	21
TS	83	50	50	48	43	44
C0	72	50	50	53	50	49
C1	75	52	47	50	52	50
C2	78	57	50	48	50	52
C3	79	56	51	50	48	50

Comprehensiveness

	SS	TS	C0	C1	C2	C3
SS	50	18	23	25	19	19
TS	82	50	50	50	43	46
C0	77	50	50	50	46	44
C1	75	50	50	50	44	45
C2	81	57	54	56	50	48
C3	81	54	56	55	52	50

Diversity

	SS	TS	C0	C1	C2	C3
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C1	48	45	51	50	49	50
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Empowerment

	SS	TS	C0	C1	C2	C3
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C0	35	45	50	47	48	48
C1	40	48	53	50	50	50
C2	40	49	52	50	50	50
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Directness

	SS	TS	C0	C1	C2	C3
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TS	67	50	53	45	44	40
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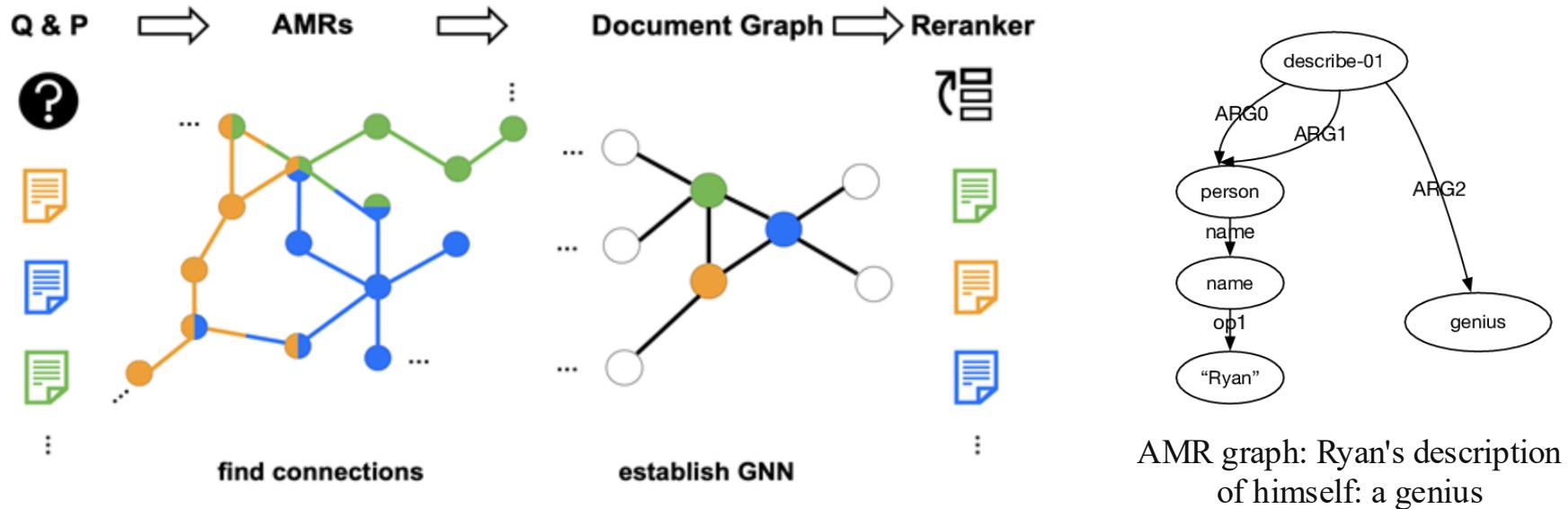
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C1	45	47	52	50	49	49
C2	45	48	52	51	50	49
C3	46	48	53	51	51	50

Directness

GraphRAG is typically superior in both comprehensiveness and diversity.

Document Graph – Document Retrieval

G-RAG : A document-graph-based reranker



1. Graph Construction

- Build Abstract Meaning Representation (AMR) graphs
- Connect documents share same nodes

Document Graph – Document Retrieval

G-RAG : A document-graph-based reranker

2. GNNs for Reranking

Document and query embedding:

$$\mathbf{x}_v^\ell = g \left(\mathbf{x}_v^{\ell-1}, \bigcup_{u \in \mathcal{N}(v)} f(\mathbf{x}_u^{\ell-1}, \mathbf{e}_{uv}^{\ell-1}) \right) \quad \mathbf{y} = \text{Encode}(q).$$

Ranking based on the similarity:

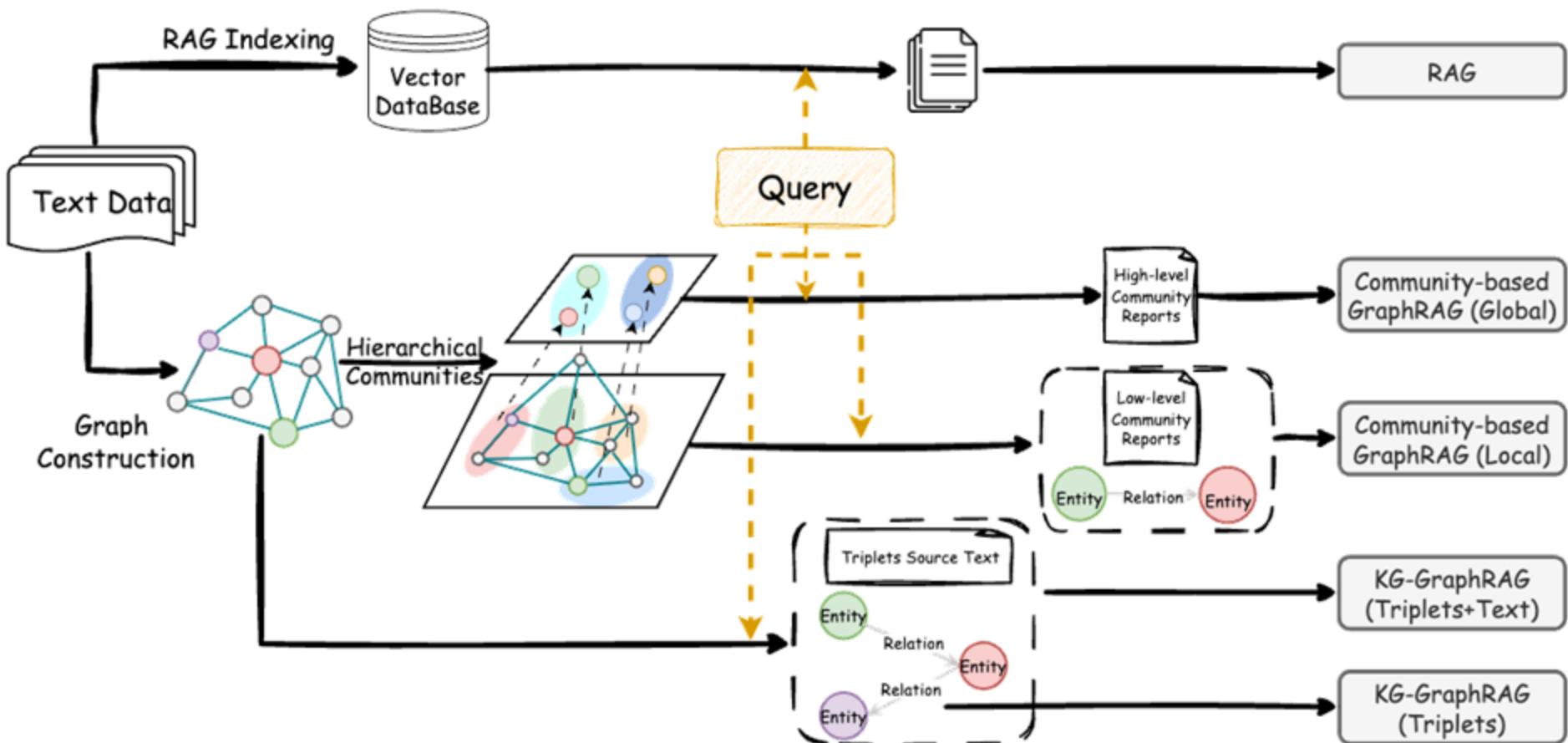
$$s_i = \mathbf{y}^\top \mathbf{x}_{v_i}^L$$

Ranking loss

$$\mathcal{RL}_q(s_i, s_j, r) = \max(0, -r(s_i - s_j) + 1),$$

RAG vs. GraphRAG

A systematic evaluation between RAG and GraphRAG.



RAG vs. GraphRAG: QA Task

Single-Hop

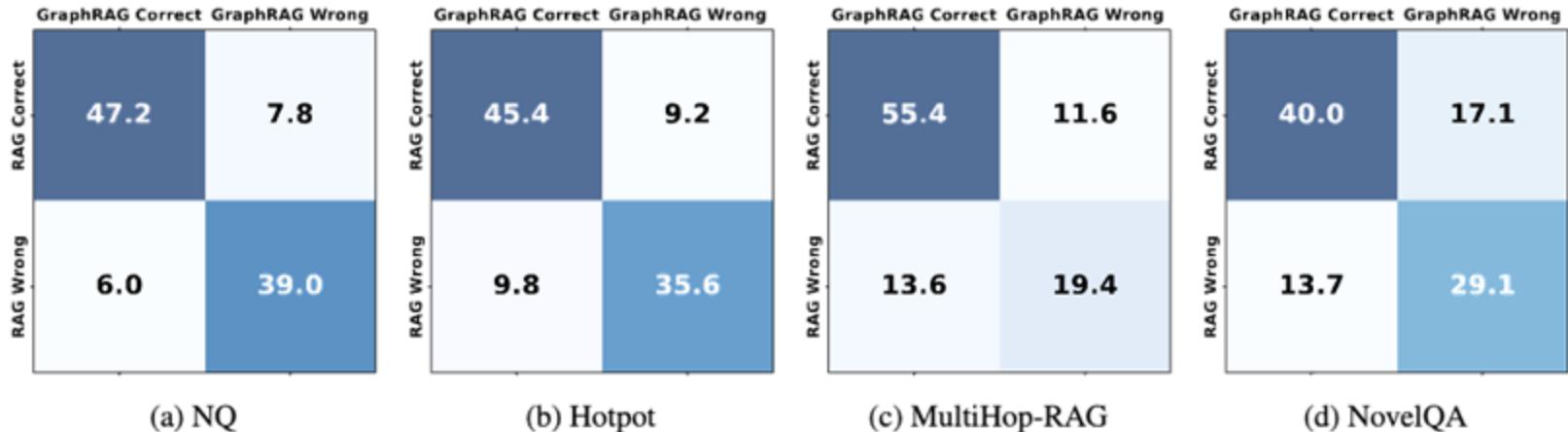
Multi-Hop

Method	NQ						Hotpot					
	Llama 3.1-8B			Llama 3.1-70B			Llama 3.1-8B			Llama 3.1-70B		
	P	R	F1	P	R	F1	P	R	F1	P	R	F1
RAG	71.7	63.93	64.78	74.55	67.82	68.18	62.32	60.47	60.04	66.34	63.99	63.88
KG-GraphRAG (Triplets only)	40.09	33.56	34.28	37.84	31.22	28.50	26.88	24.81	25.02	32.59	30.63	30.73
KG-GraphRAG (Triplets+Text)	58.36	48.93	50.27	60.91	52.75	53.88	45.22	42.85	42.60	51.44	48.99	48.75
Community-GraphRAG (Local)	<u>69.48</u>	<u>62.54</u>	<u>63.01</u>	<u>71.27</u>	<u>65.46</u>	<u>65.44</u>	64.14	62.08	61.66	67.20	64.89	64.60
Community-GraphRAG (Global)	60.76	54.99	54.48	61.15	55.52	55.05	45.72	47.60	45.16	48.33	48.56	46.99

- RAG excels on detailed single-hop queries.
- GraphRAG, particularly CommunityGraphRAG (Local), excels on multi-hop queries.
- Community-GraphRAG (Global) often struggles on QA tasks.
- KG-based GraphRAG also generally underperform on QA tasks due to the incomplete graph.

RAG vs. GraphRAG: QA Task

RAG and GraphRAG are Complementary!

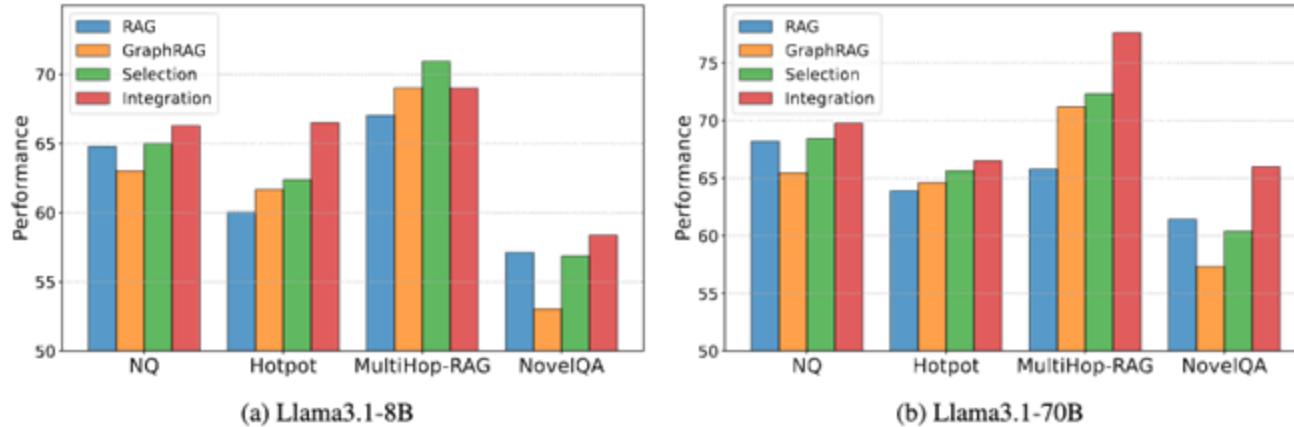


(a) NQ

(b) Hotpot

(c) MultiHop-RAG

(d) NovelQA



(a) Llama3.1-8B

(b) Llama3.1-70B

Combining RAG and GraphRAG yields better performance!

RAG vs. GraphRAG: Summarization Task

Ground Truth (Human Answer) as Judge

Table 4: The performance of query-based single document summarization task using Llama3.1-8B.

Method	SQuALITY						QMSum					
	ROUGE-2			BERTScore			ROUGE-2			BERTScore		
	P	R	F1	P	R	F1	P	R	F1	P	R	F1
RAG	15.09	8.74	10.08	74.54	81.00	77.62	21.50	3.80	<u>6.32</u>	81.03	<u>84.45</u>	82.69
KG-GraphRAG (Triplets only)	11.99	6.16	7.41	82.46	84.30	83.17	13.71	2.55	4.15	80.16	82.96	81.52
KG-GraphRAG (Triplets+Text)	15.00	9.48	<u>10.52</u>	84.37	85.88	84.92	16.83	3.32	5.38	<u>80.92</u>	83.64	82.25
Community-GraphRAG (Local)	15.82	8.64	10.10	<u>83.93</u>	<u>85.84</u>	<u>84.66</u>	20.54	3.35	5.64	80.63	84.13	82.34
Community-GraphRAG (Global)	10.23	6.21	6.99	82.68	84.26	83.30	10.54	1.97	3.23	79.79	82.47	81.10
Integration	<u>15.69</u>	<u>9.32</u>	10.67	74.56	81.22	77.73	21.97	3.80	6.34	80.89	84.47	82.63

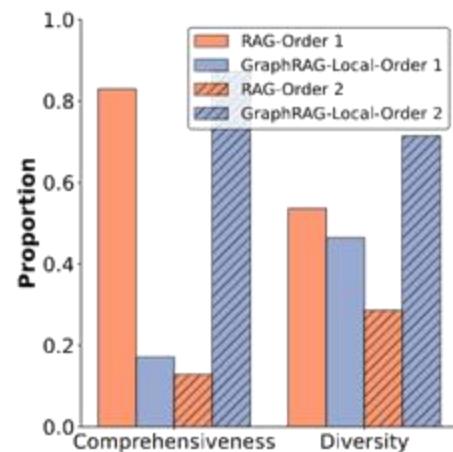
Table 5: The performance of query-based multiple document summarization task using Llama3.1-8B.

Method	ODSum-story						ODSum-meeting					
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Community-GraphRAG (Global)	9.40	4.47	5.46	81.46	83.54	82.30	11.44	3.89	5.59	81.20	84.50	82.81
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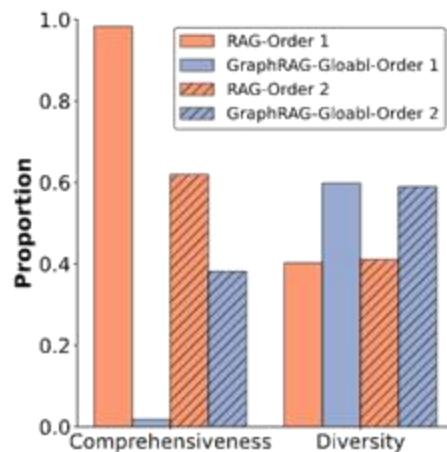
RAG aligns more closely with human-written answers.

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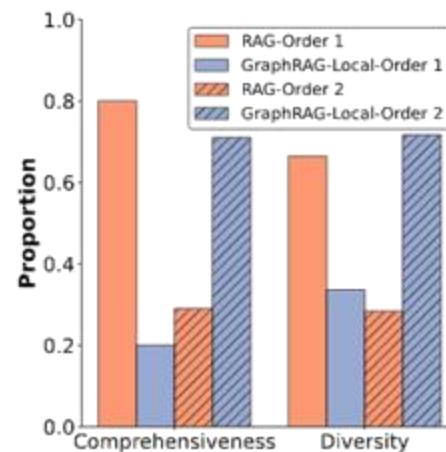
LLM as Judge



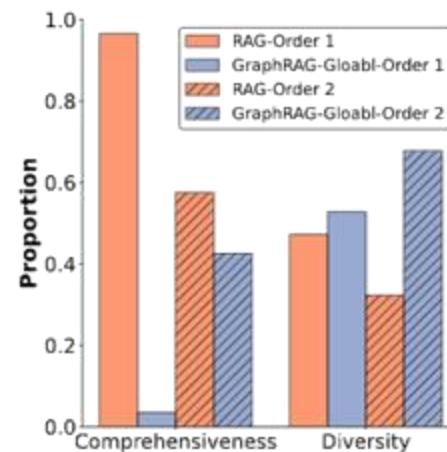
(a) QMSum Local



(b) QMSum Global



(c) ODSum-story Local



(d) ODSum-story Global

1. Strong position bias is observed

2. Community-based GraphRAG with global search prefers corpus global structure

Document Graph - Future Works

1. Graph Construction

- a. Task-specific graph construction
- b. Balancing efficiency and graph completeness

2. Retrieval and Traversal

- a. Adaptive retrieval strategies based on query type and complexity
- b. Multi-hop retrieval with reasoning over graph structure

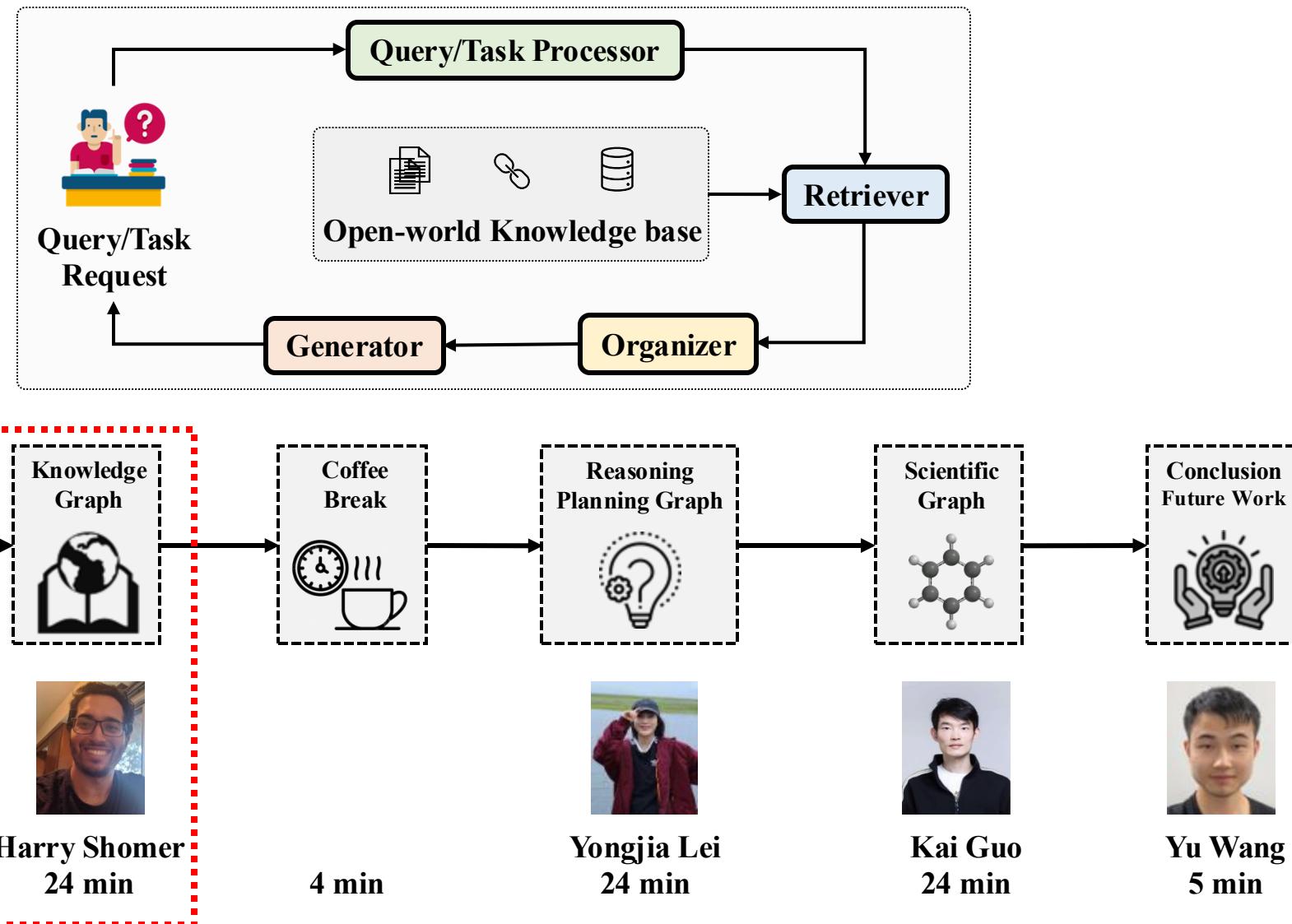
3. RAG and GraphRAG Integration

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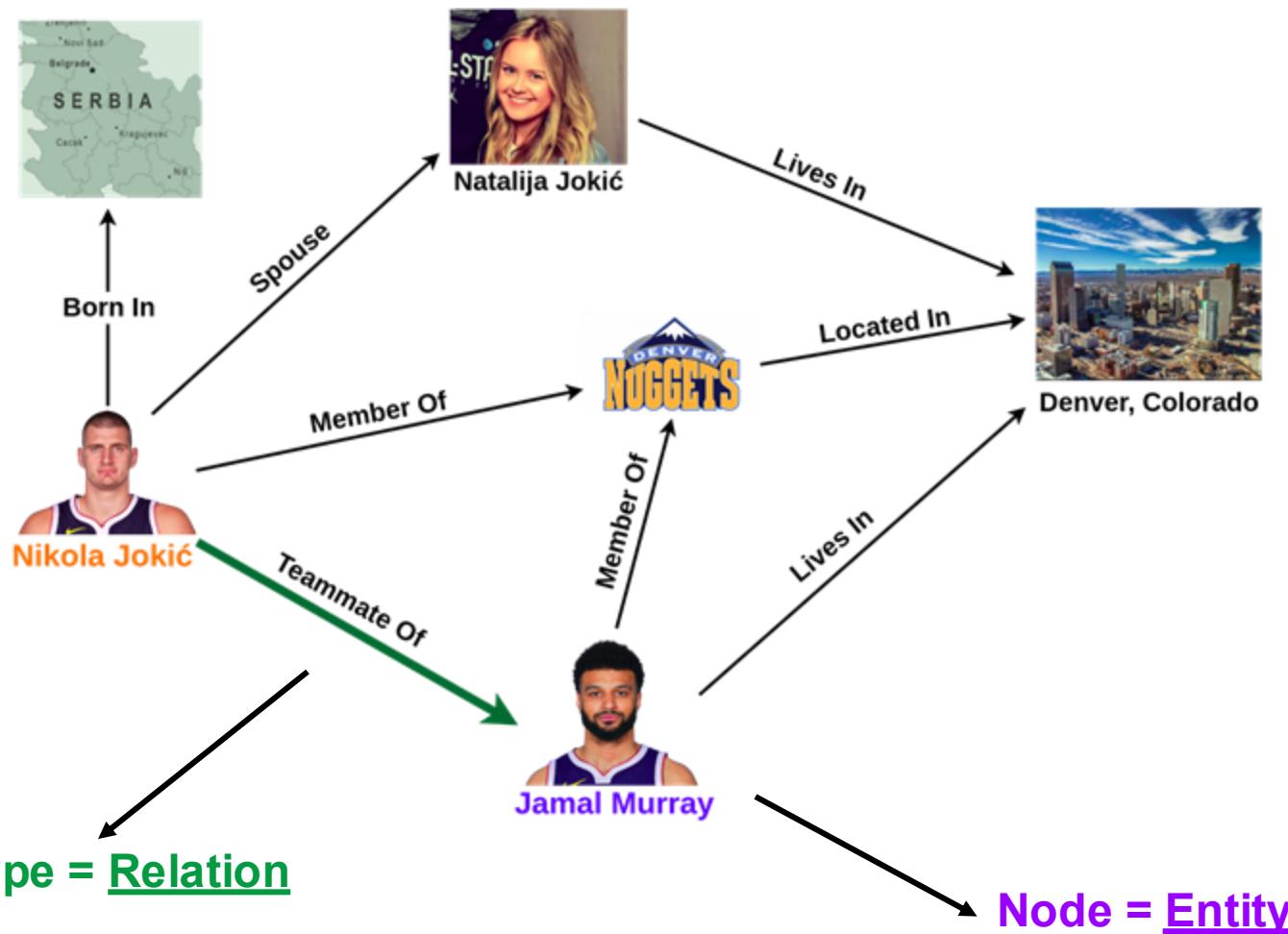
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- a. New benchmarks designed specifically for graph-based retrieval and generation
- b. Proposing fine-grained evaluation metrics

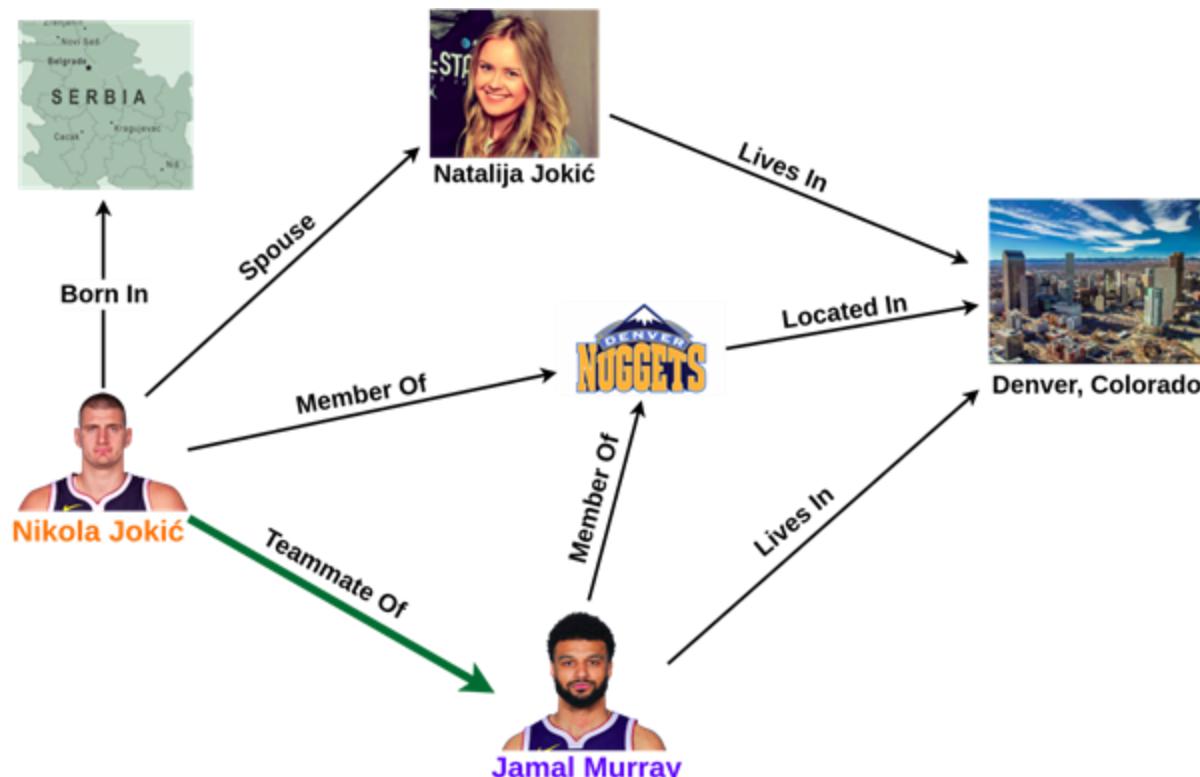
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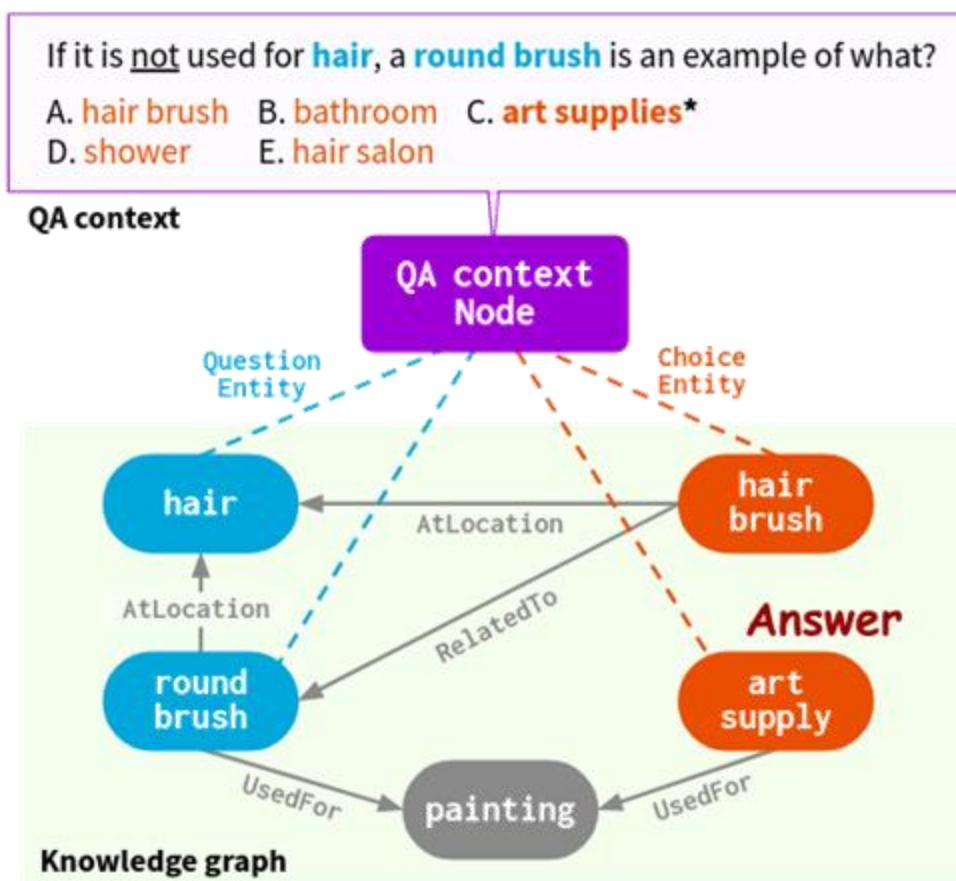


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Knowledge Graph - Tasks

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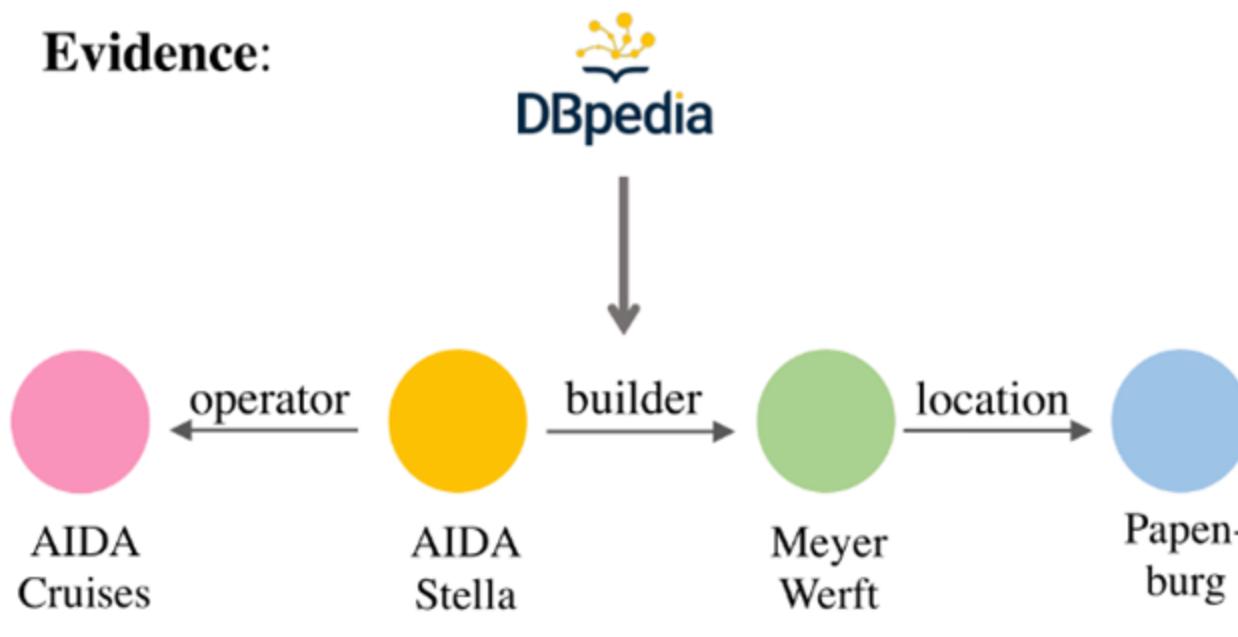


Knowledge Graph - Tasks

Fack Checking

Claim: Yeah! Actually AIDA Cruise line operated a ship which was built by a company in Papenburg!

Evidence:



Label: SUPPORTED

Knowledge Graph - Tasks

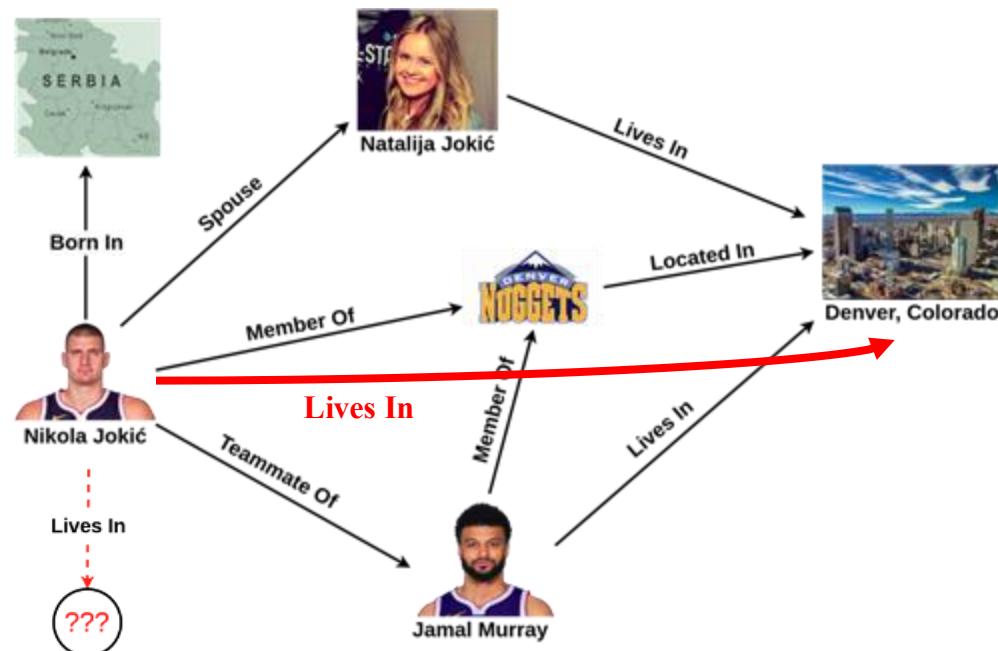
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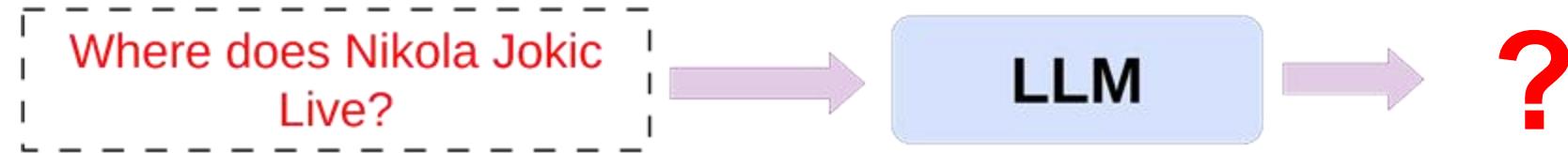
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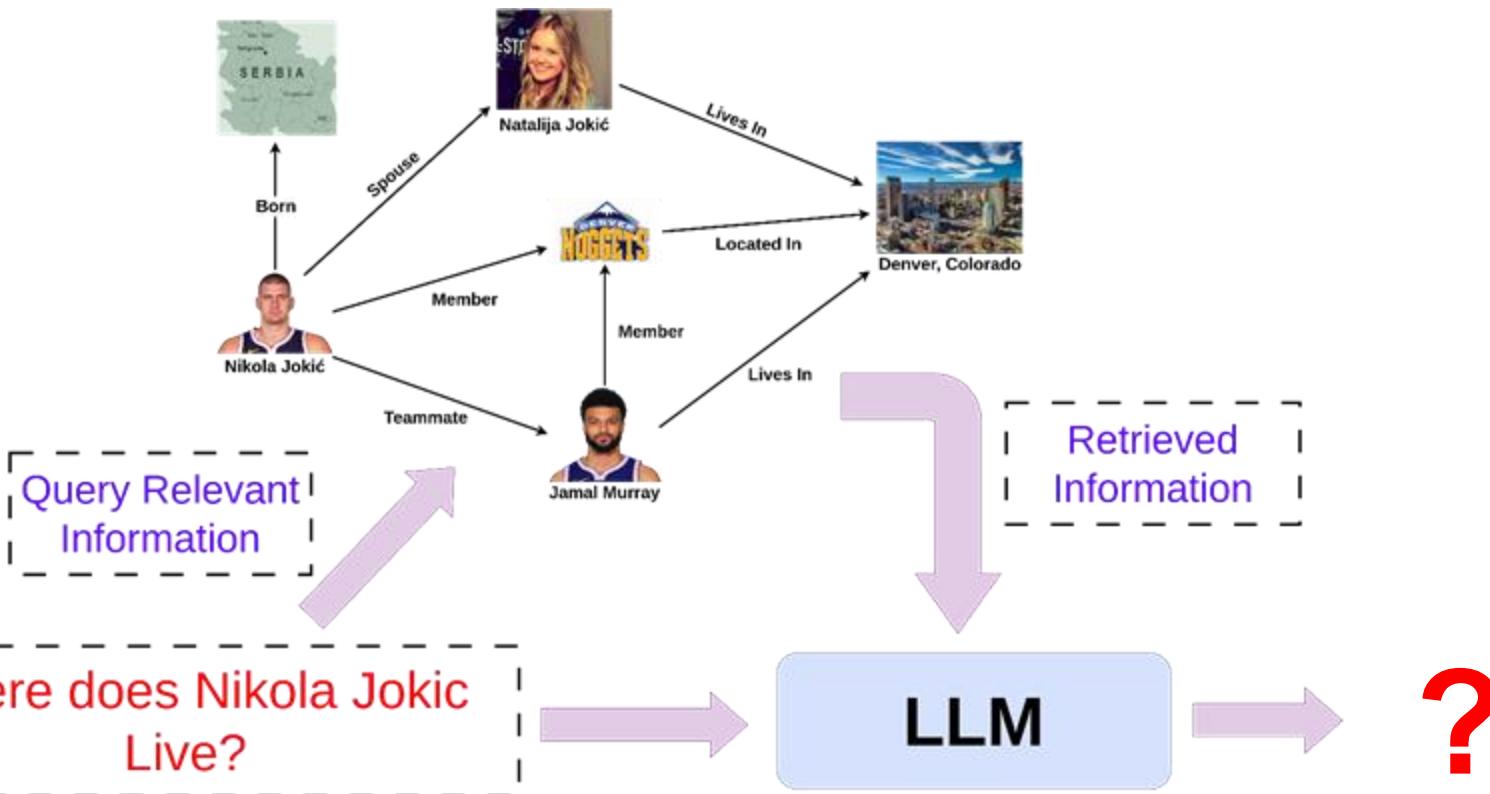
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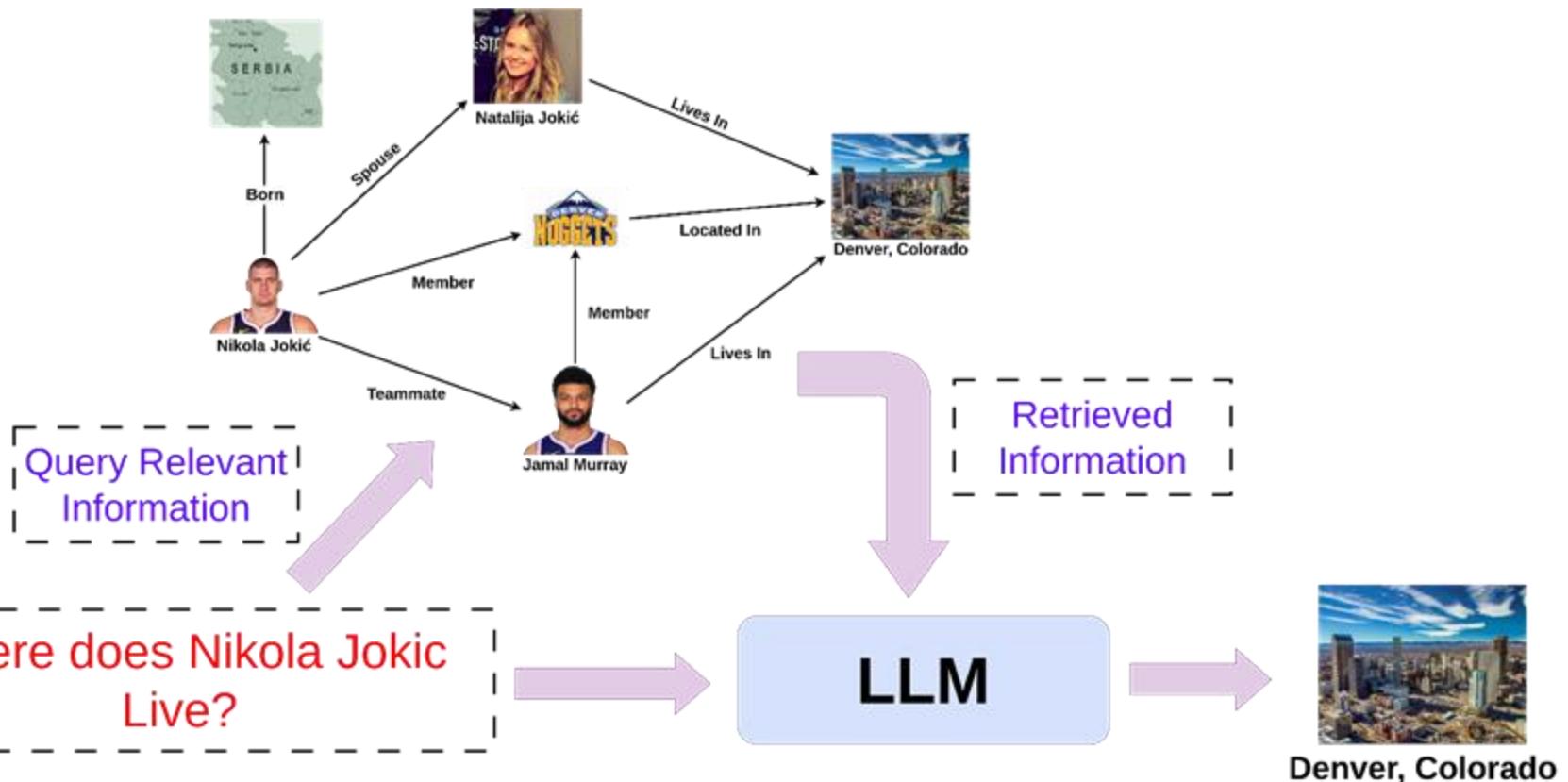
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Knowledge Graph - How are KGs are Constructed?

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- Done via human annotation
- Popular example is the WikiData database

Knowledge Graph - How are KGs are Constructed?

Entity



Geoffrey Hinton (Q92894)

Facts with Hinton
as Head Entity

place of birth	Wimbledon
	1 reference
father	H. E. Hinton
	1 reference
languages spoken, written or signed	English
	0 references
occupation	computer scientist
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	artificial intelligence researcher
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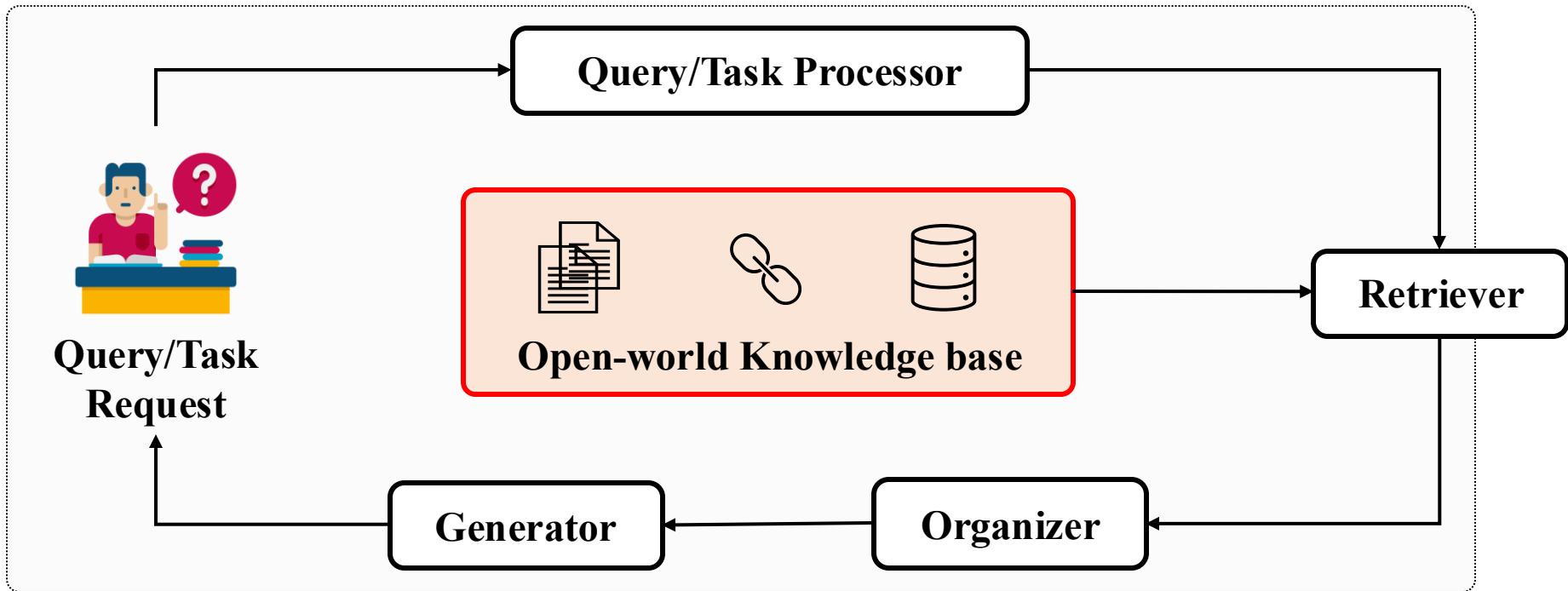
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2) Rule-Based Construction

Covered in last section

3) LLM-Based Construction

Knowledge Graph - Pipeline for GraphRAG on KGs



Knowledge Graph - GraphRAG for KGs

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 - **Traversal-based:** RoG [2]
 - **GNN-based:** SubGraphRAG [3]
 - Other (Agent, Semantic similarity)

[1] "MindMap: Knowledge Graph Prompting Sparks Graph of Thoughts in Large Language Models". ACL 2024.

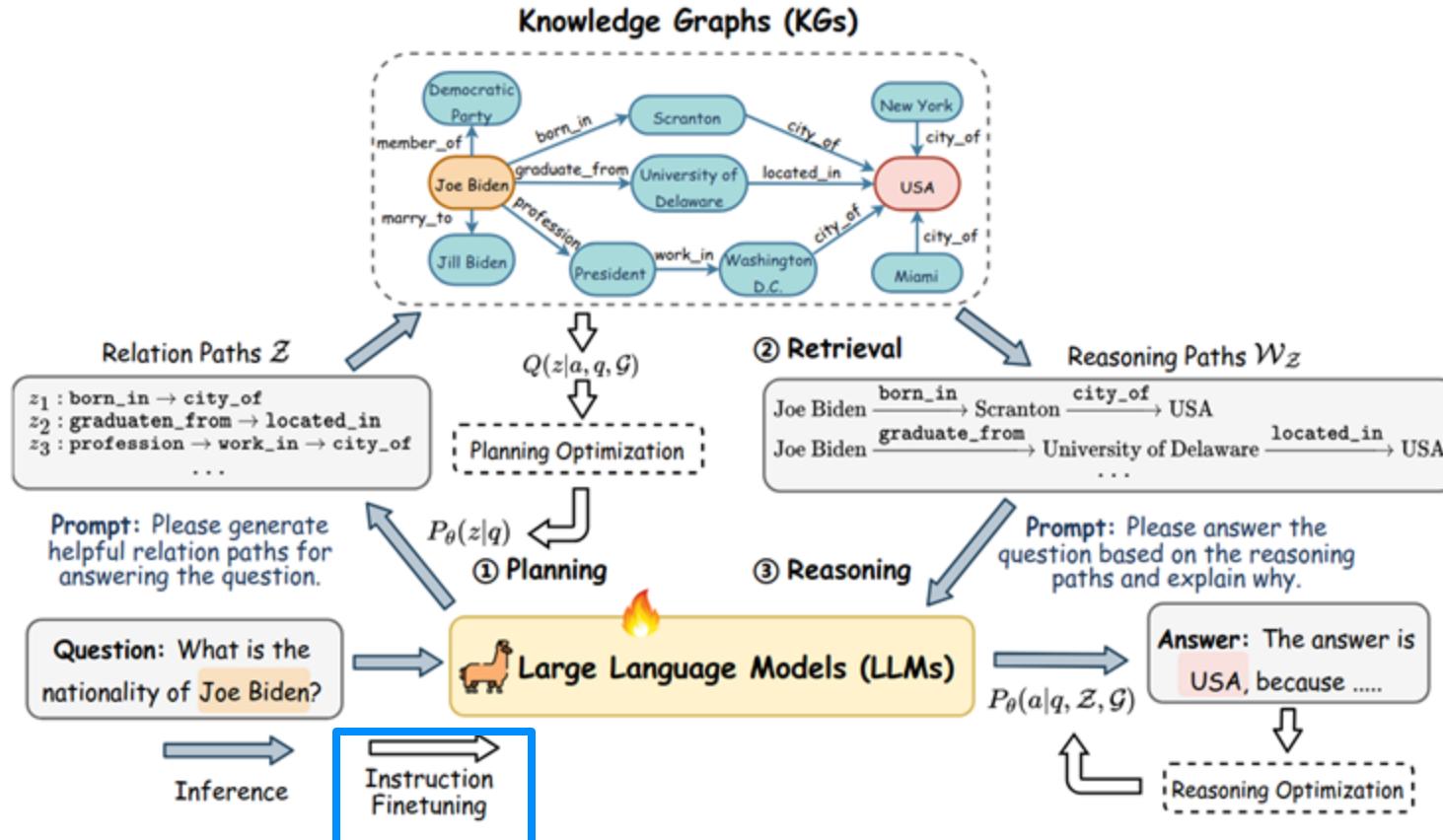
[2] "Reasoning on Graphs: Faithful and Interpretable Large Language Model Reasoning." ICLR 2024.

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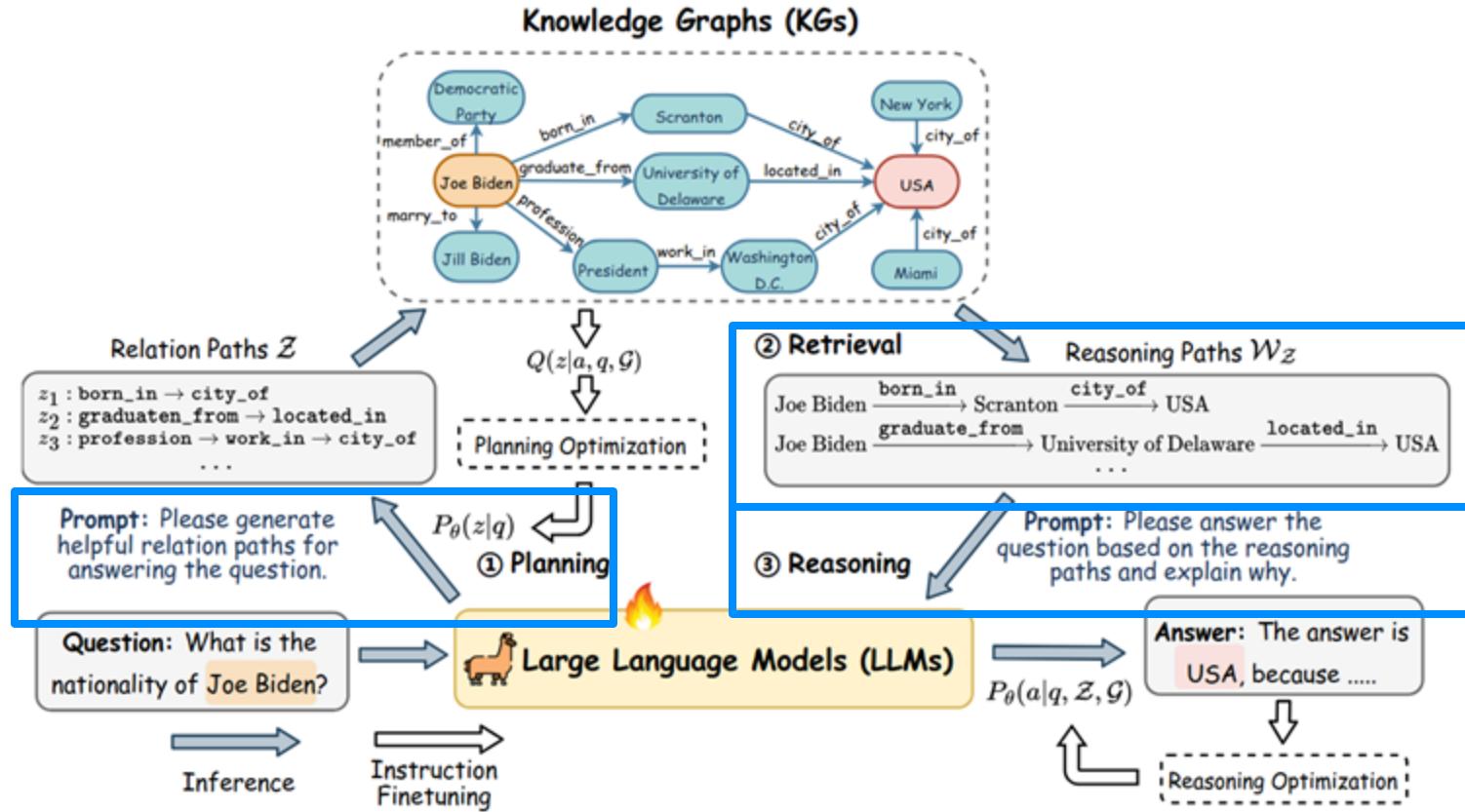
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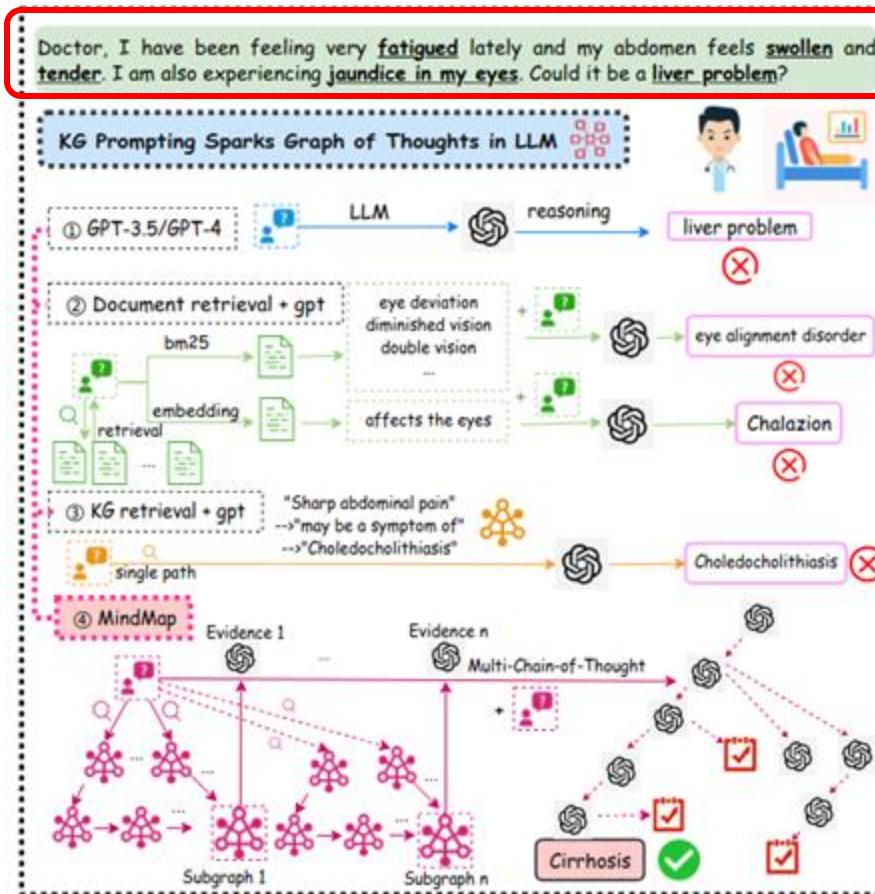
Basic Idea: Extract paths that follow specific templates, outputted by a LLM



Knowledge Graph - MindMap

Motivation: Explainable and diverse reasoning process to mitigate hallucinations

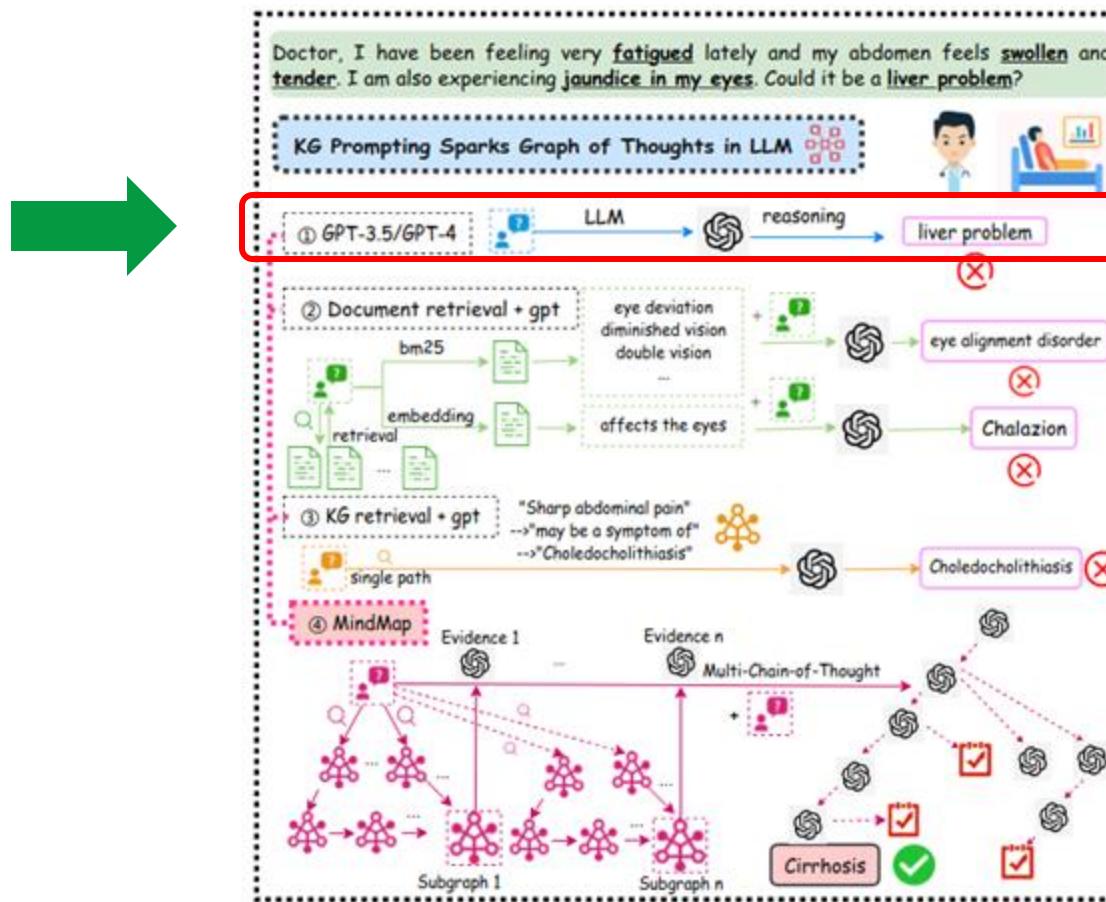
Basic Idea: For a query, extract both relevant subgraphs and paths



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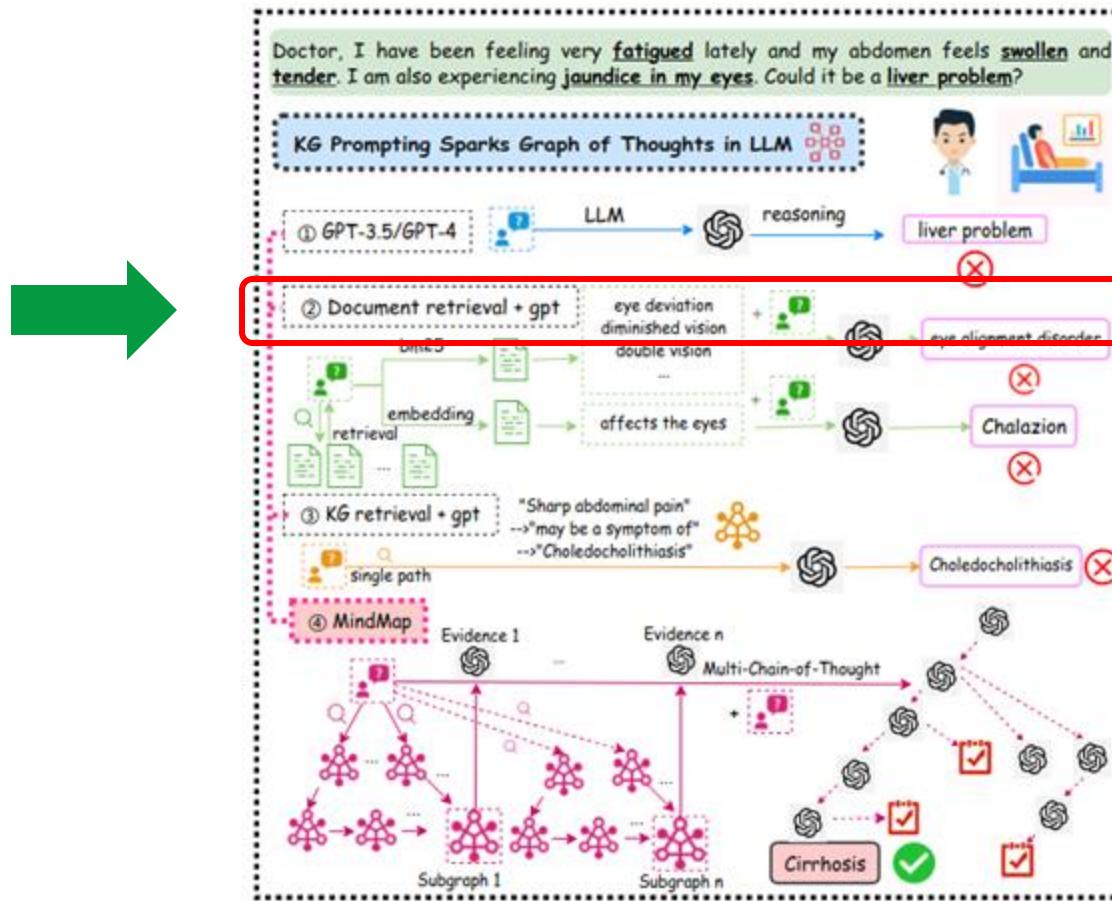
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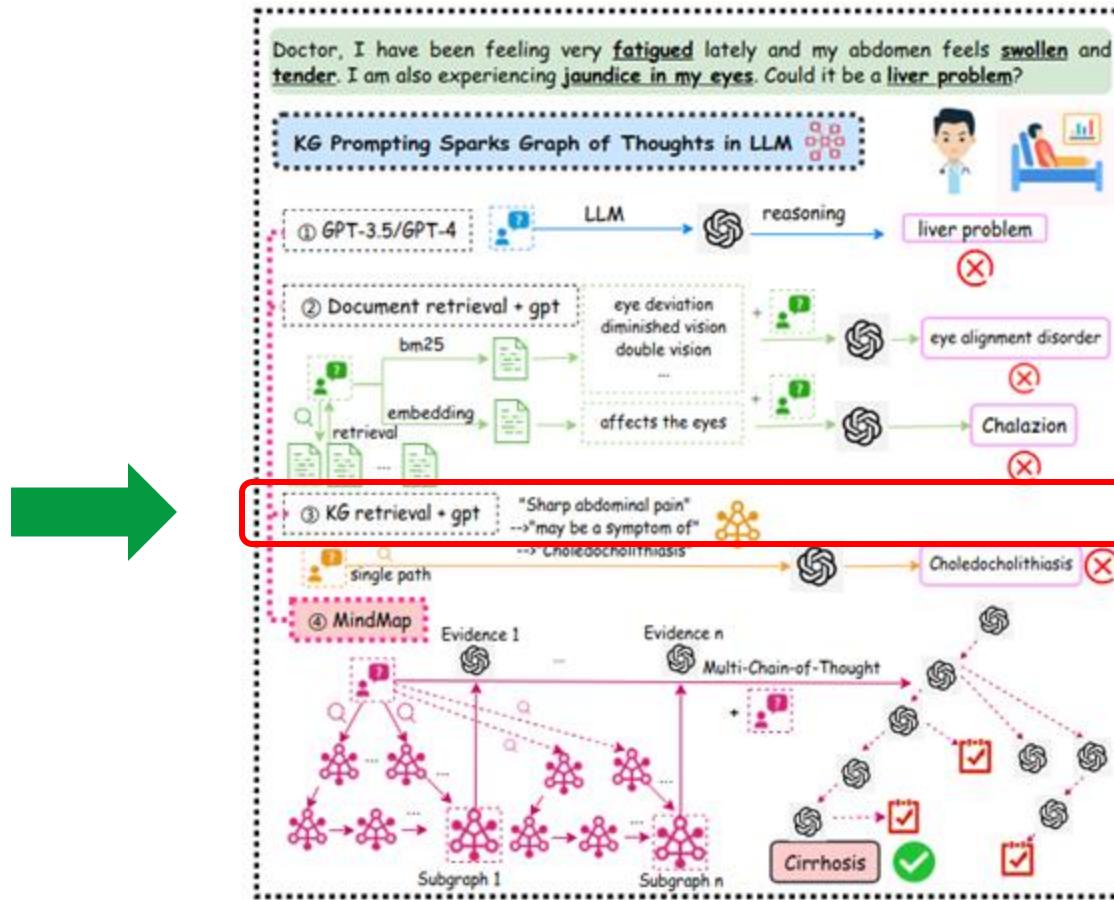
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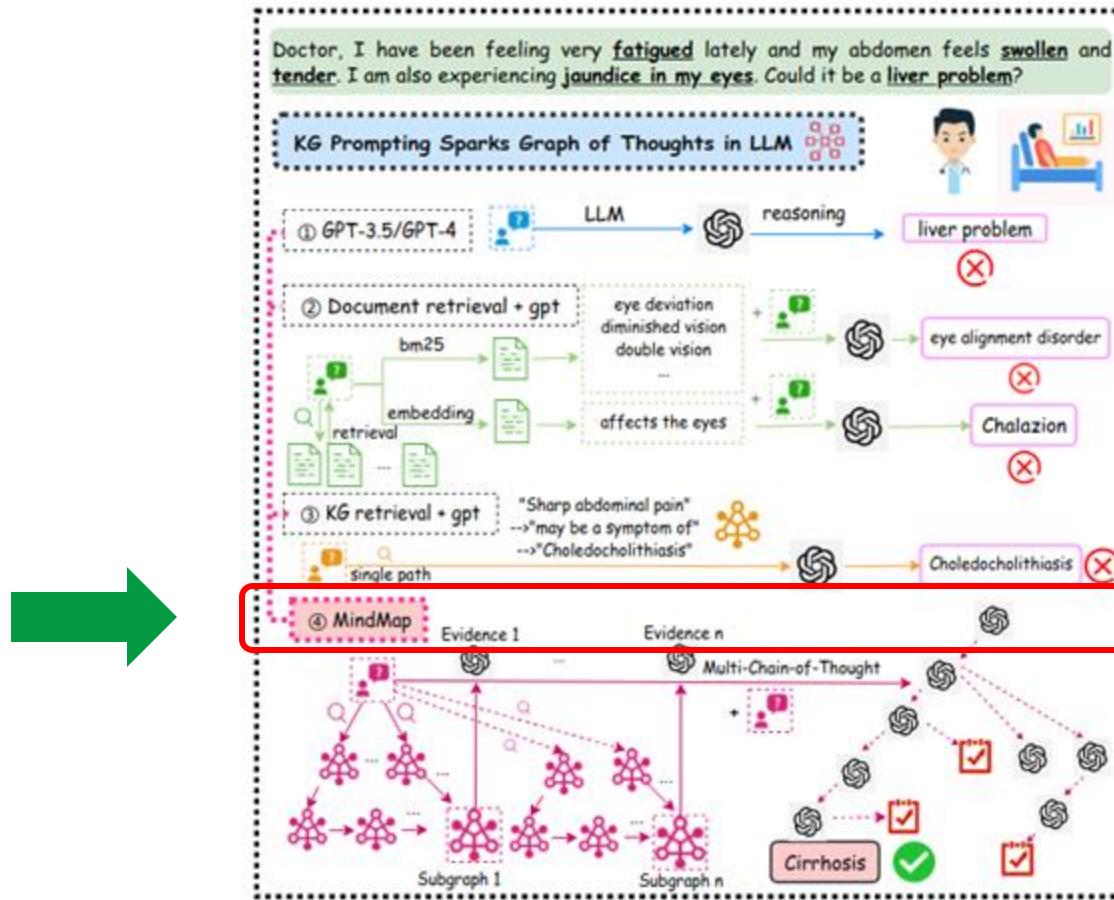
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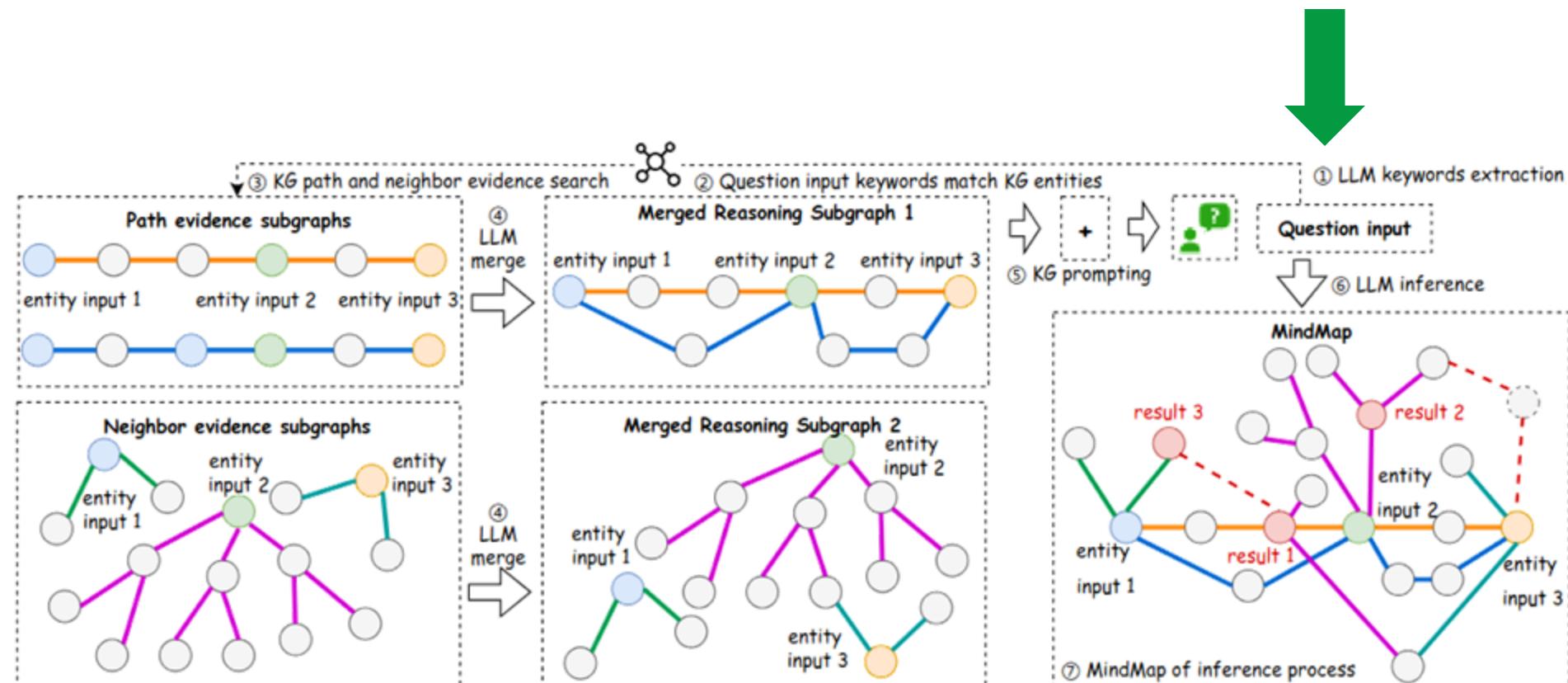
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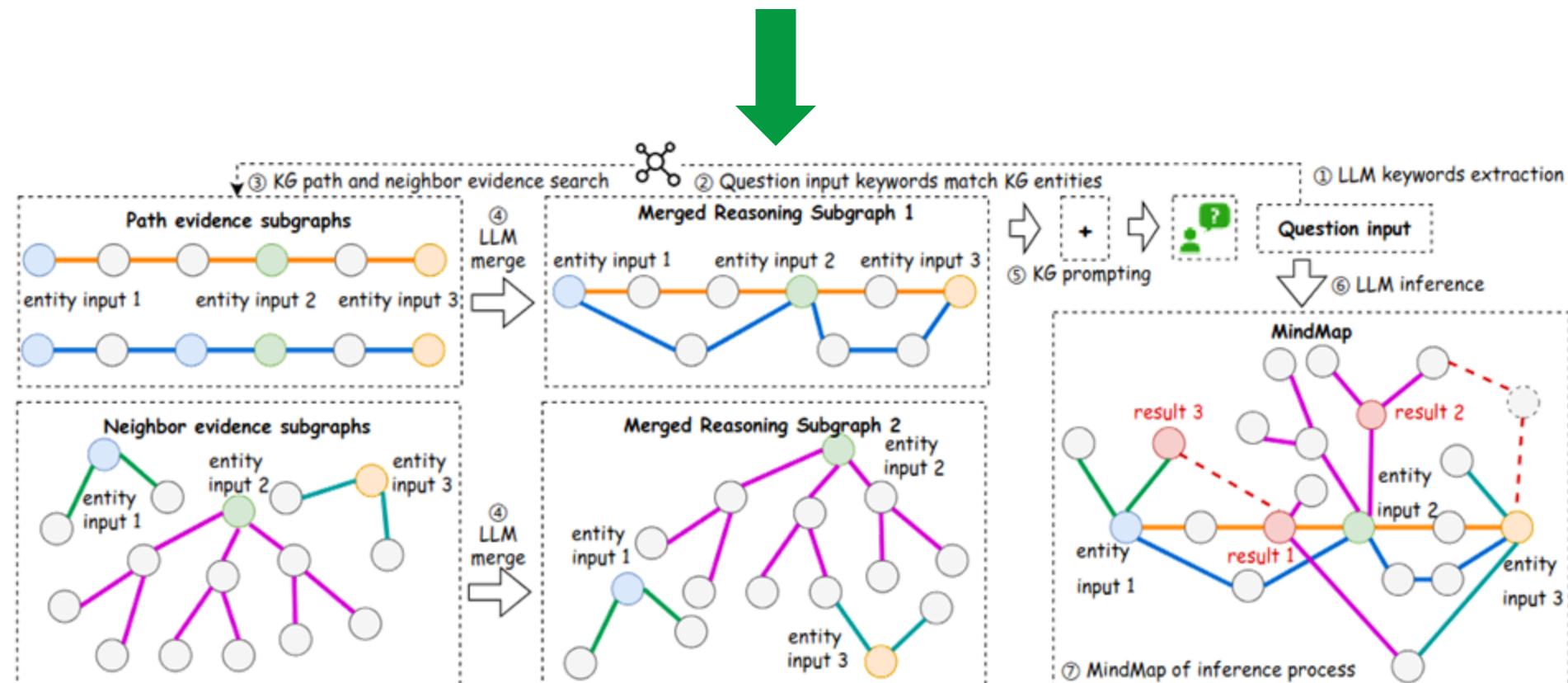
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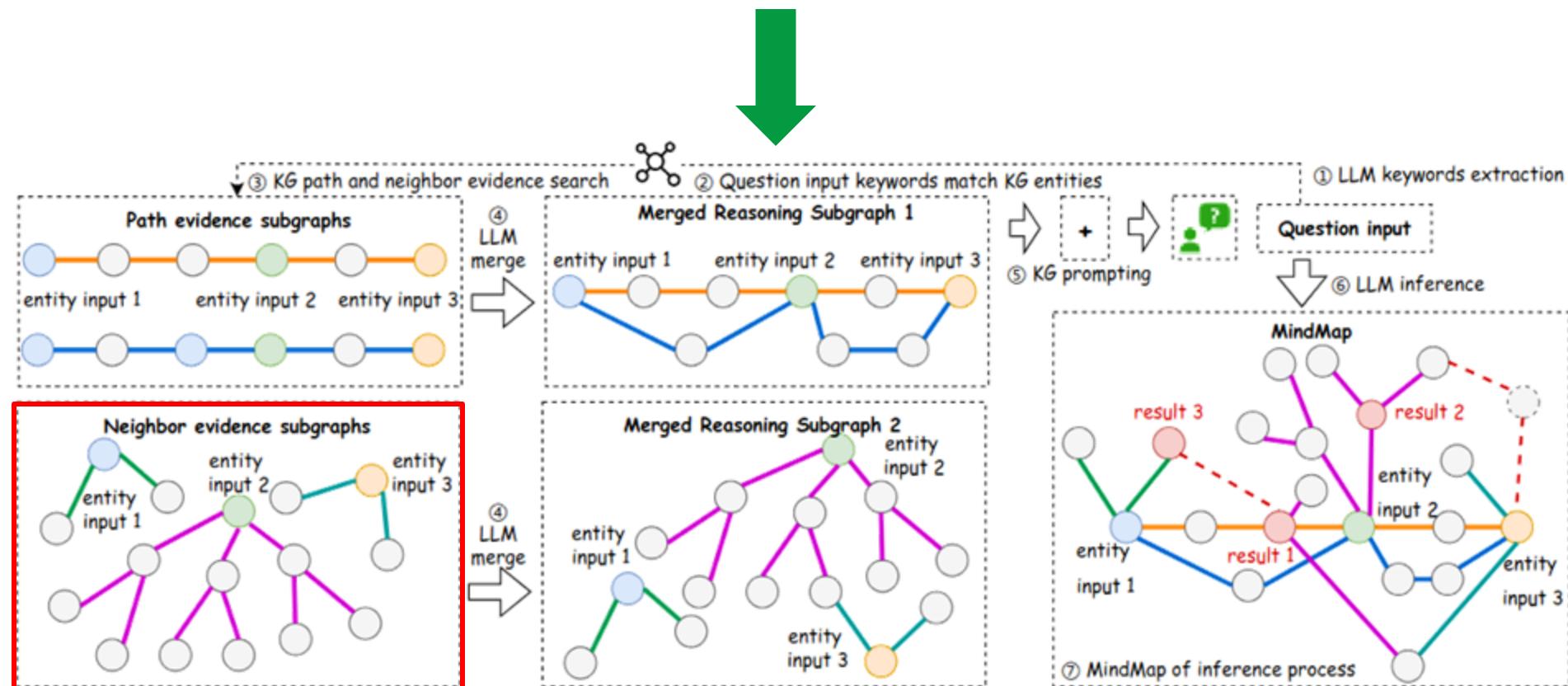
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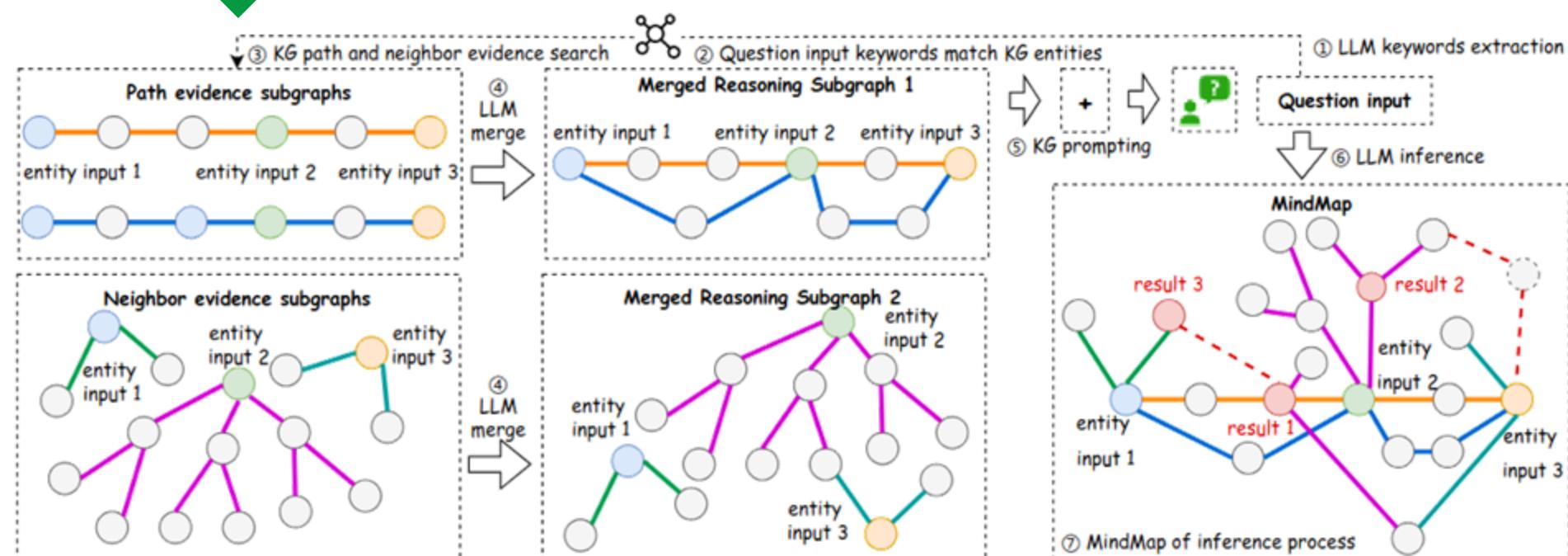
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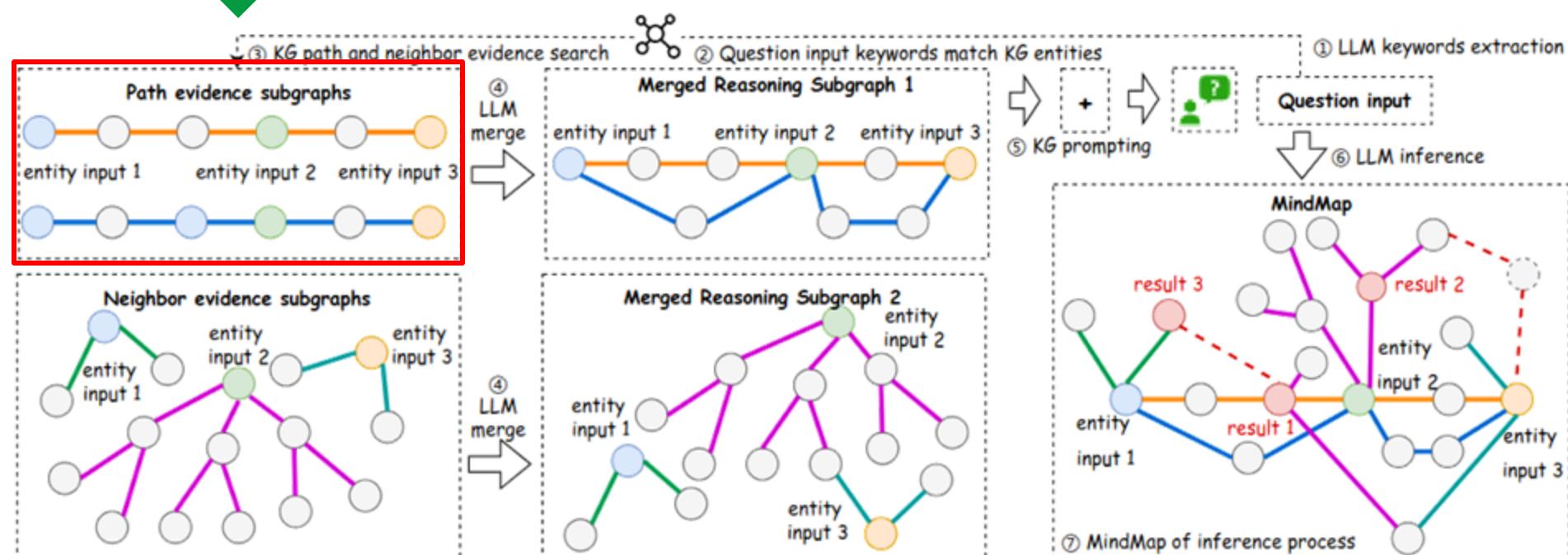
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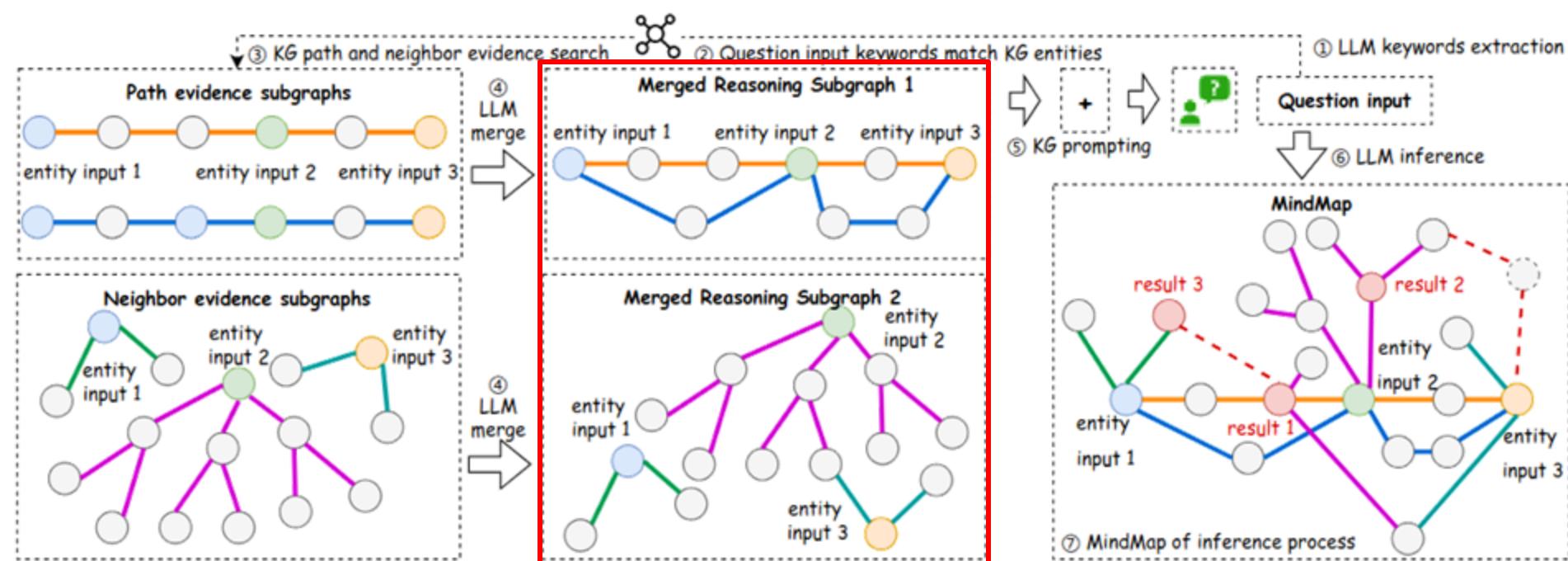
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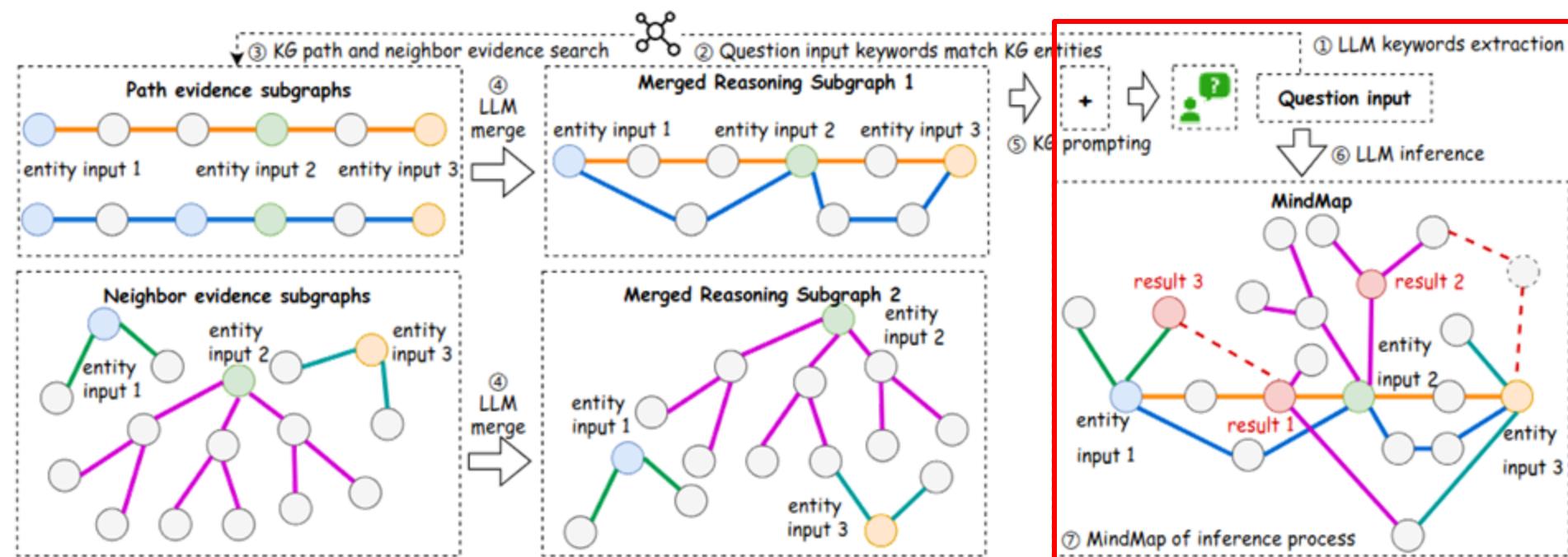
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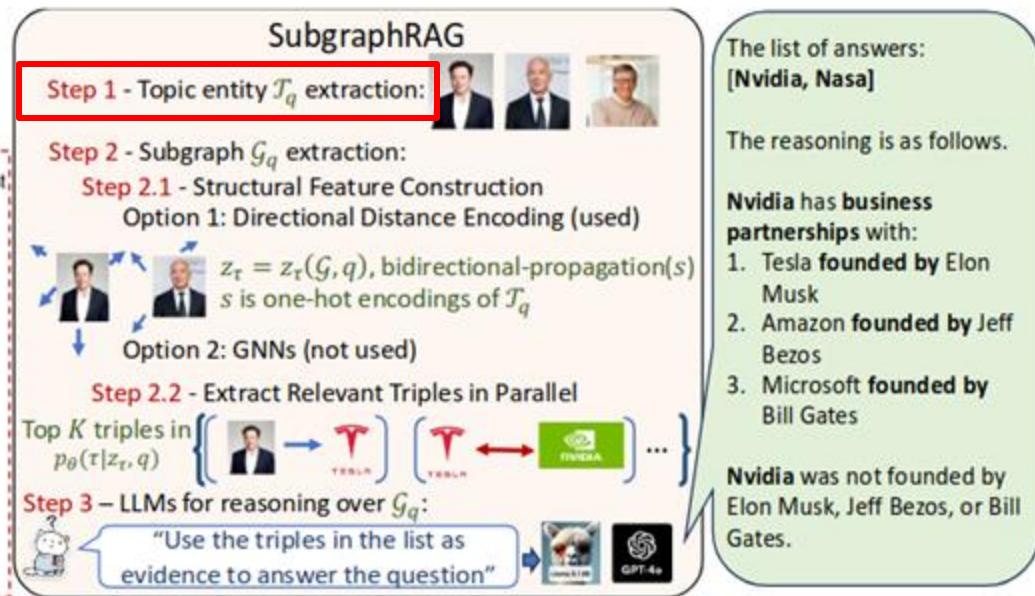
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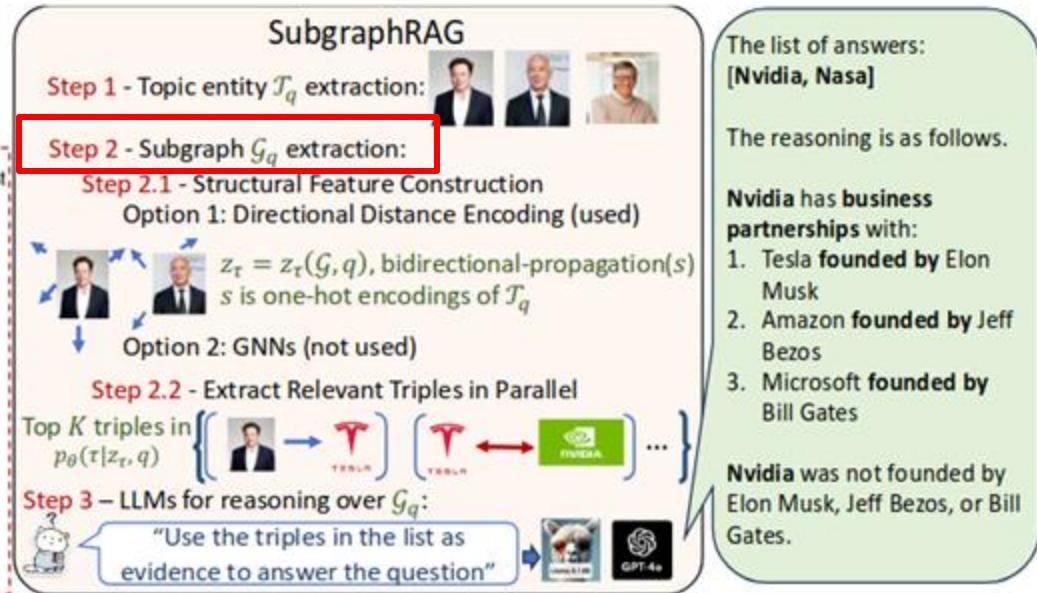
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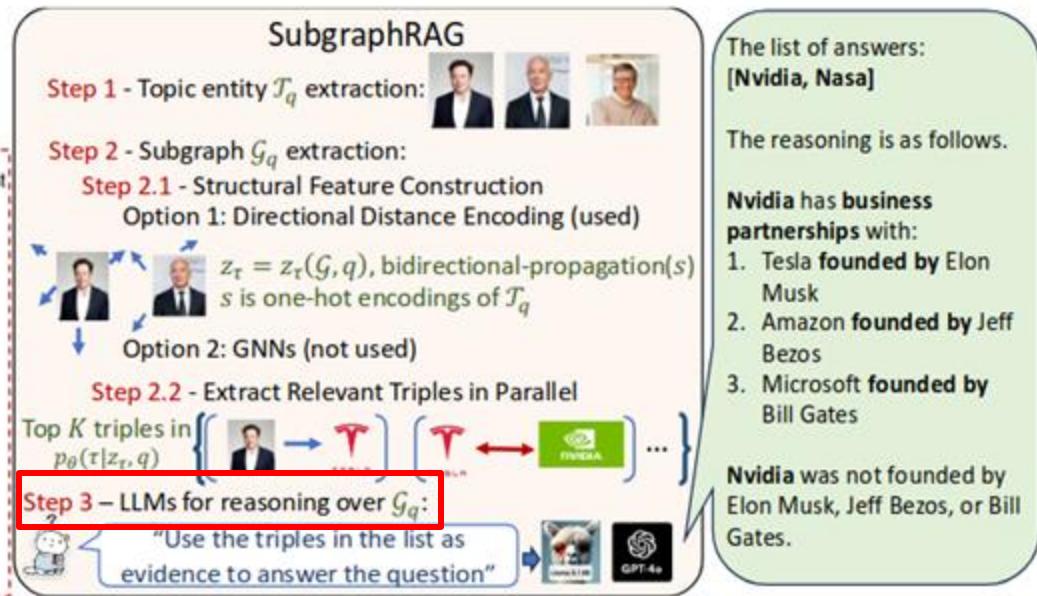
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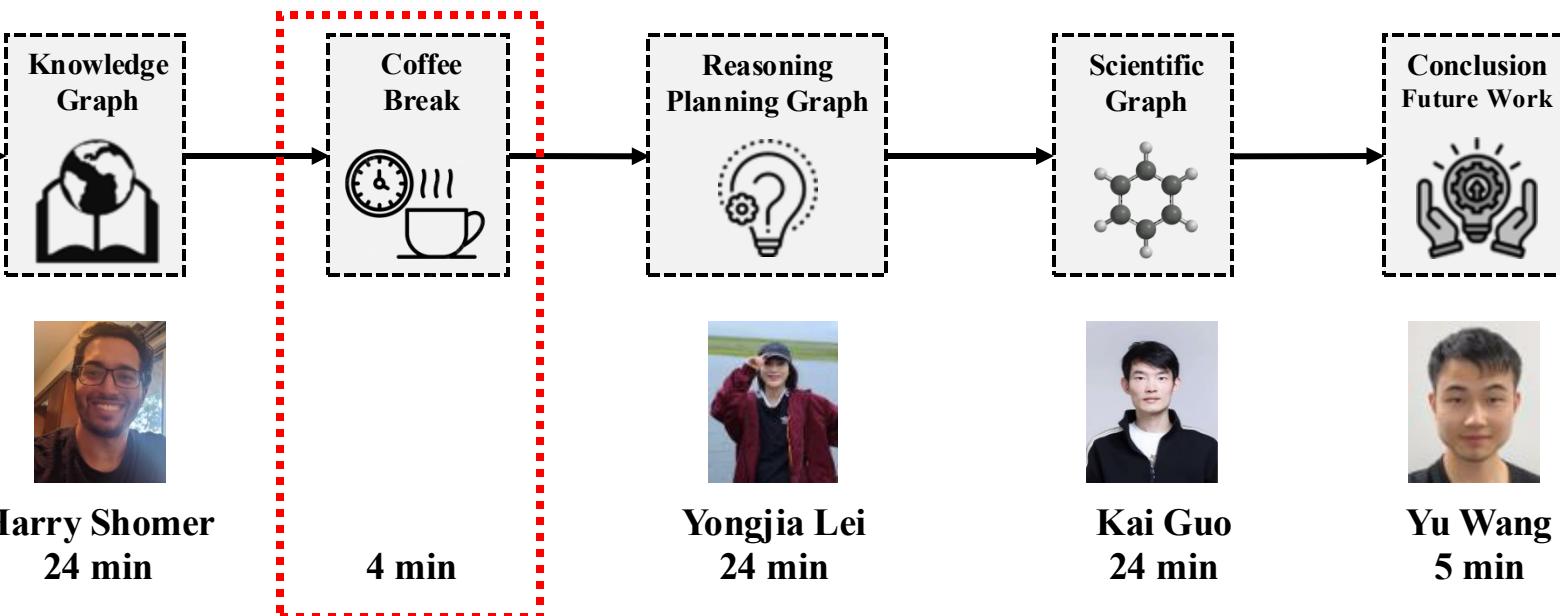
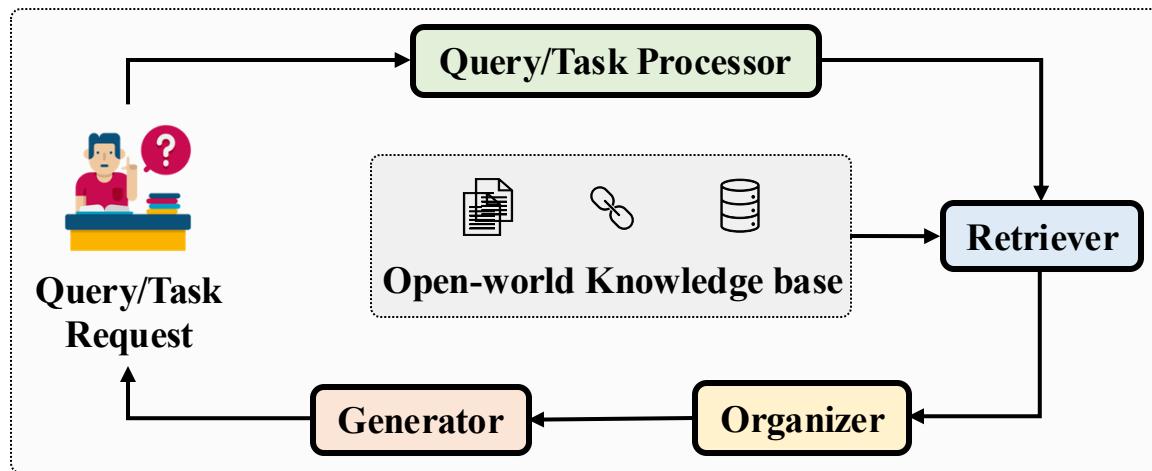
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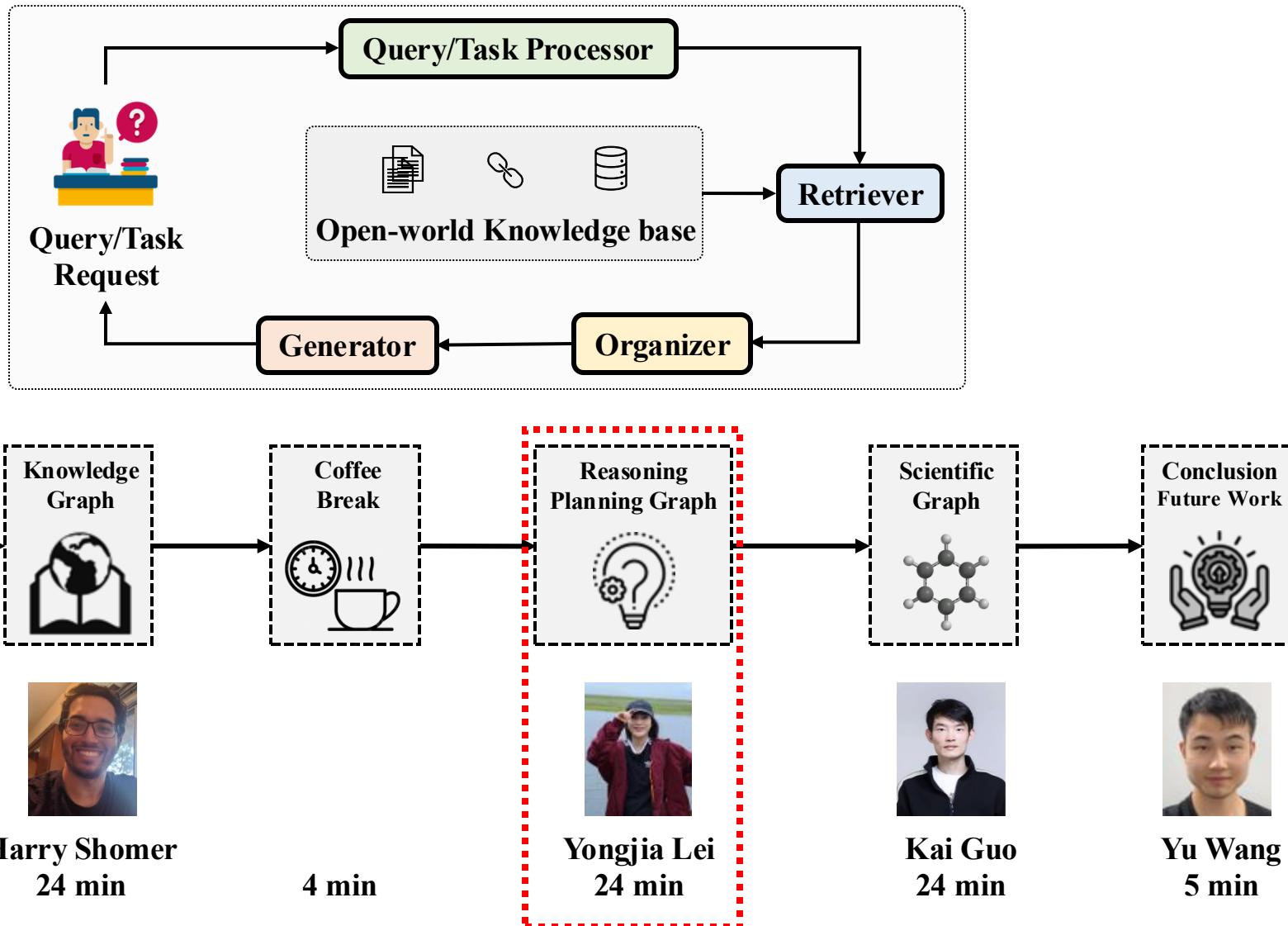
Knowledge Graph - Future Work

1. How to best **construct** KGs? What granularity should the node/edges be?
2. How do we **harmonize** the internal LLM knowledge and retrieved KG knowledge?
3. What's the best way of **organizing** the triples or paths for the LLM?

Outline



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Reasoning & Planning Graph

What is Reasoning?

Thinking logically and systematically

Using Evidence/past experiences for drawing conclusion and decision-making

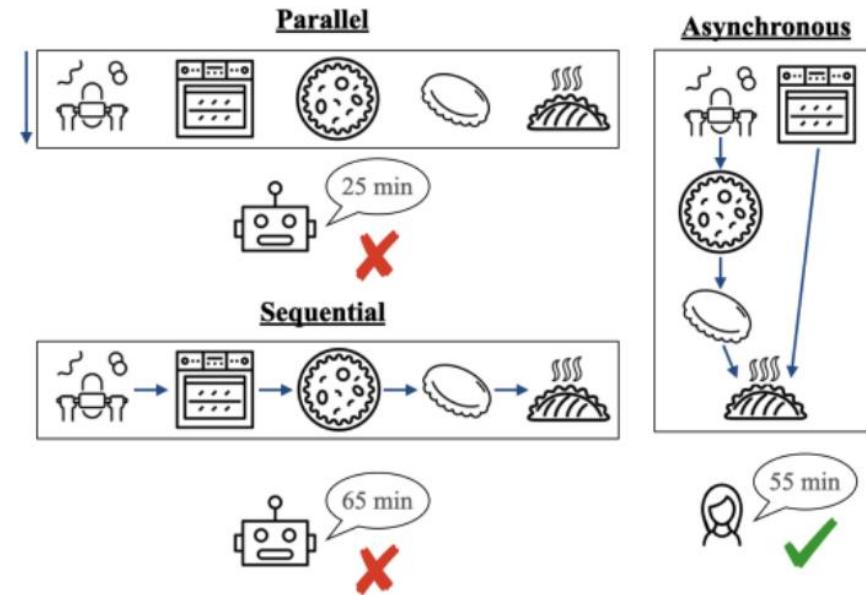
What is Planning?

Formulating a series of actions or operations to achieve a specific goal.

Reasoning and Planning are deeply interconnected in RAG

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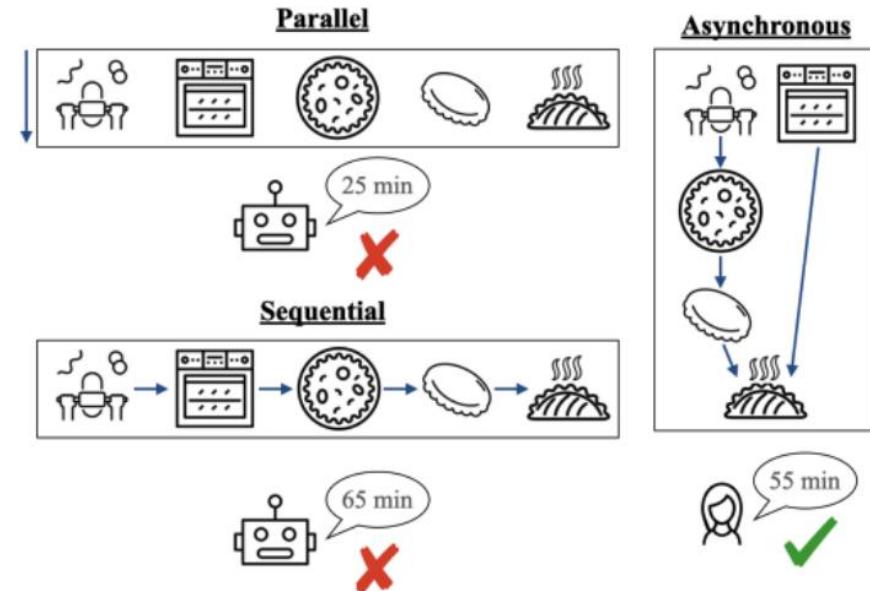


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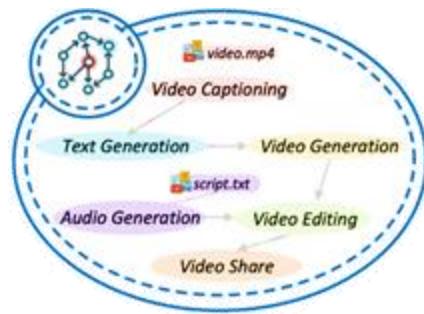


- Retrieving task components, e.g., actions, time
- Reasoning about dependencies
- Planning the execution order

Reasoning & Planning Graph

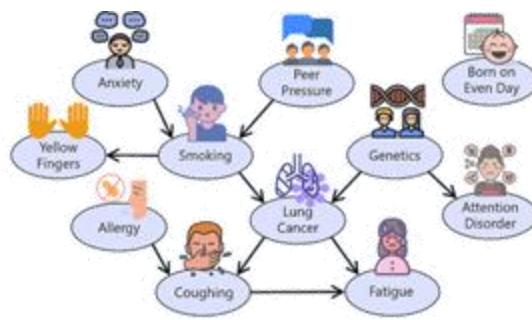
Why Reasoning and Planning Graphs are Important in GraphRAG?

- Dependences/sequences to capture relations, e.g., Causal and Resource Dependency
- Structuring the Retrieval Process



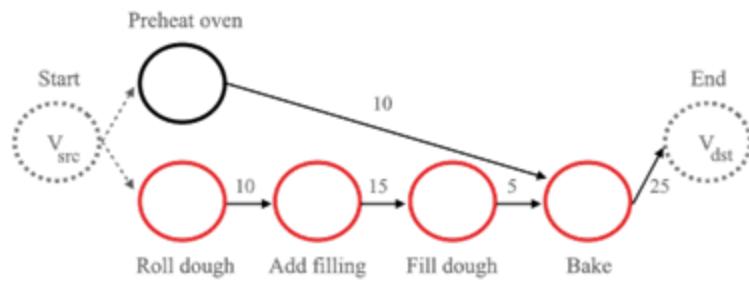
Resource Dependency

[Shen et al. 2024](#)



Causal Dependency

[LUCAS 2024](#)



Temporal Dependency

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Common Dependencies in Graph Construction

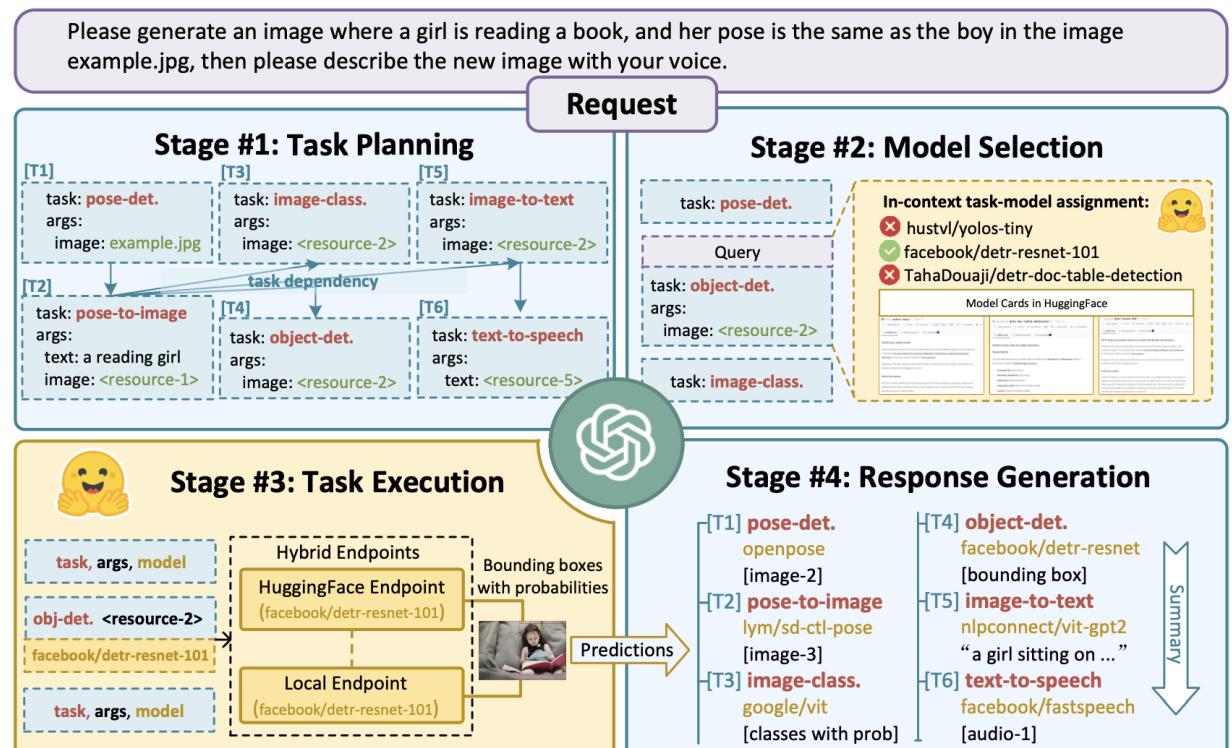
Reasoning & Planning Graph – Task Planning

Task Planning: Retrieve/generate plan of steps/tools in graph format

Planning Graph:

- Capture dependencies and execution orders
- Guide APIs retrieval
- Guide inter-model cooperation

HuggingGPT: Generation-based Planning



Reasoning & Planning Graph – Task Planning

How to enable LLMs conduct task planning?

- Specification-based Instruction
- Demonstration-based Parsing

Prompt	
#1 Task Planning Stage - The AI assistant performs task parsing on user input, generating a list of tasks with the following format: <code>{"task": task, "id": task_id, "dep": dependency_task_ids, "args": {"text": text, "image": URL, "audio": URL, "video": URL}}</code> . The "dep" field denotes the id of the previous task which generates a new resource upon which the current task relies. The tag " <code><resource>-task_id</code> " represents the generated text, image, audio, or video from the dependency task with the corresponding task_id. The task must be selected from the following options: {{ Available Task List }}. Please note that there exists a logical connections and order between the tasks. In case the user input cannot be parsed, an empty JSON response should be provided. Here are several cases for your reference: {{ Demonstrations }}. To assist with task planning, the chat history is available as {{ Chat Logs }}, where you can trace the user-mentioned resources and incorporate them into the task planning stage.	
Demonstrations	
Can you tell me how many objects in e1.jpg?	<code>[{"task": "object-detection", "id": 0, "dep": [-1], "args": {"image": "e1.jpg"}}]</code>
In e2.jpg, what's the animal and what's it doing?	<code>[{"task": "image-to-text", "id": 0, "dep": [-1], "args": {"image": "e2.jpg"}}, {"task": "image-cls", "id": 1, "dep": [-1], "args": {"image": "e2.jpg"}}, {"task": "object-detection", "id": 2, "dep": [-1], "args": {"image": "e2.jpg"}}, {"task": "visual-question-answering", "id": 3, "dep": [-1], "args": {"text": "what's the animal doing?", "image": "e2.jpg"}}]</code>
First generate a HED image of e3.jpg, then based on the HED image and a text "a girl reading a book", create a new image as a response.	<code>[{"task": "pose-detection", "id": 0, "dep": [-1], "args": {"image": "e3.jpg"}}, {"task": "pose-text-to-image", "id": 1, "dep": [0], "args": {"text": "a girl reading a book", "image": "<resource>-0"}}]</code>

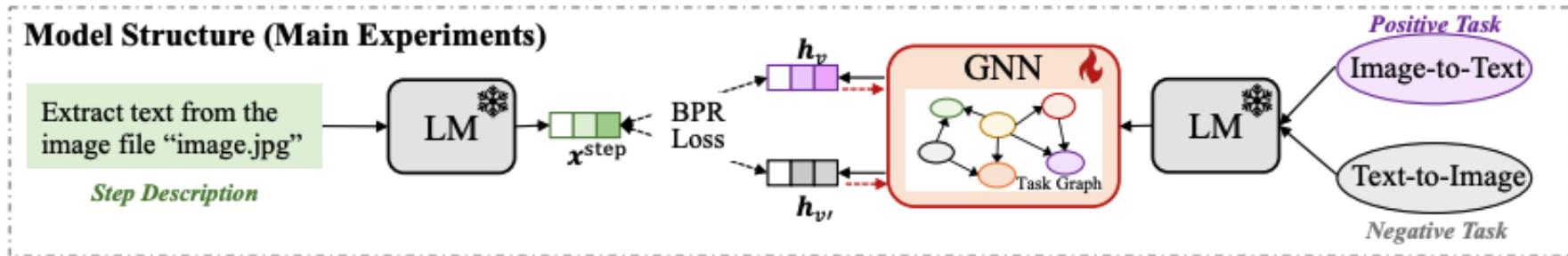
Reasoning & Planning Graph – Task Planning

Challenges of Generation-based Task Planning

- Hallucinate non-existent tasks or dependencies (edges)
- Not invariant to graph isomorphism
- Performance degrades as the task graph scales

Reasoning & Planning Graph – Task Planning

Retrieval-based Task Planning



- Small frozen LM embeds sub-steps/task nodes in the pre-built task graph
- A GNN is applied over the task graph
 - Propagate information via pre-built dependencies
 - Refine node embeddings
- Retrieve matching tasks in the pre-built graph for sub-steps via similarity

Reasoning & Planning Graph – Multi-Step Reasoning

Multi-step Reasoning: Solving problems via multiple calculations/steps

Question: Which publications from Altair Engineering authors focus on improving directional sensitivity across a wide range of frequencies?



Institution <*Altair Engineering*> → **Author** → **Paper** <*improving directional sensitivity across a wide range of frequencies*>



Institution



Author



Paper

Reasoning & Planning Graph – Multi-Step Reasoning

Toolchain*: Efficient Action Space Navigation

(a) Selection:

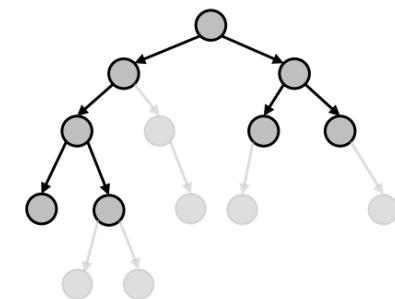
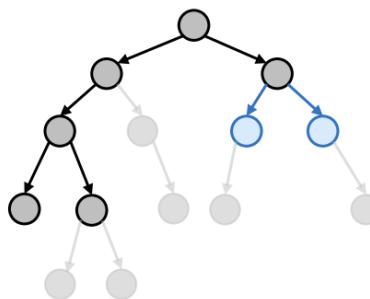
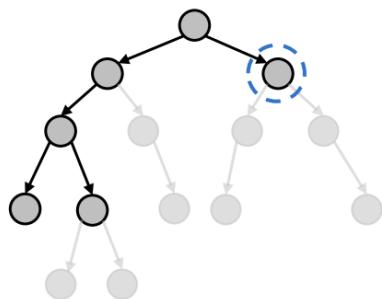
Pick a frontier node with the lowest summation of cumulative cost and future cost

(b) Expansion:

Expand the nodes with potential next steps.

(c) Update

Update the value functions
of the newly added nodes in
the search tree.



Multi-step Reasoning → Graph Search; Node → API Function Call; Edge → Possible Transition

Monte Carlo Tree Search vs. A* Search

- A*: one-step based on cost function
$$f(n) = g(n) + h(n)$$
 - $g(n)$ cumulative cost from the root node to the current node n
 - $h(n)$ heuristic estimation of the future cost from node n to the goal

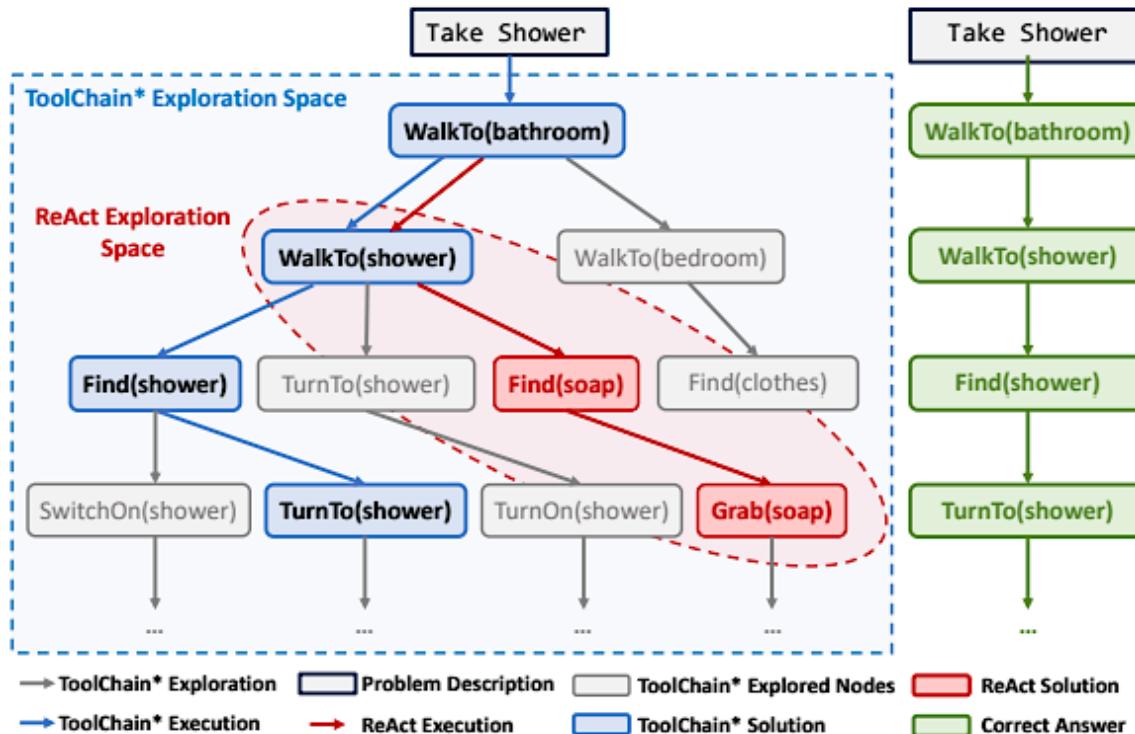
MCTS: Simulates many random rollouts to

terminal states $Q(n, a) + c \sqrt{\frac{\log N(n)}{N(n,a)}}$

- $Q(n, a)$ average reward from history
 - $\sqrt{\frac{\log N(n)}{N(n,a)}}$ encourages less-explored actions

Reasoning & Planning Graph – Multi-Step Reasoning

Case Study Comparison

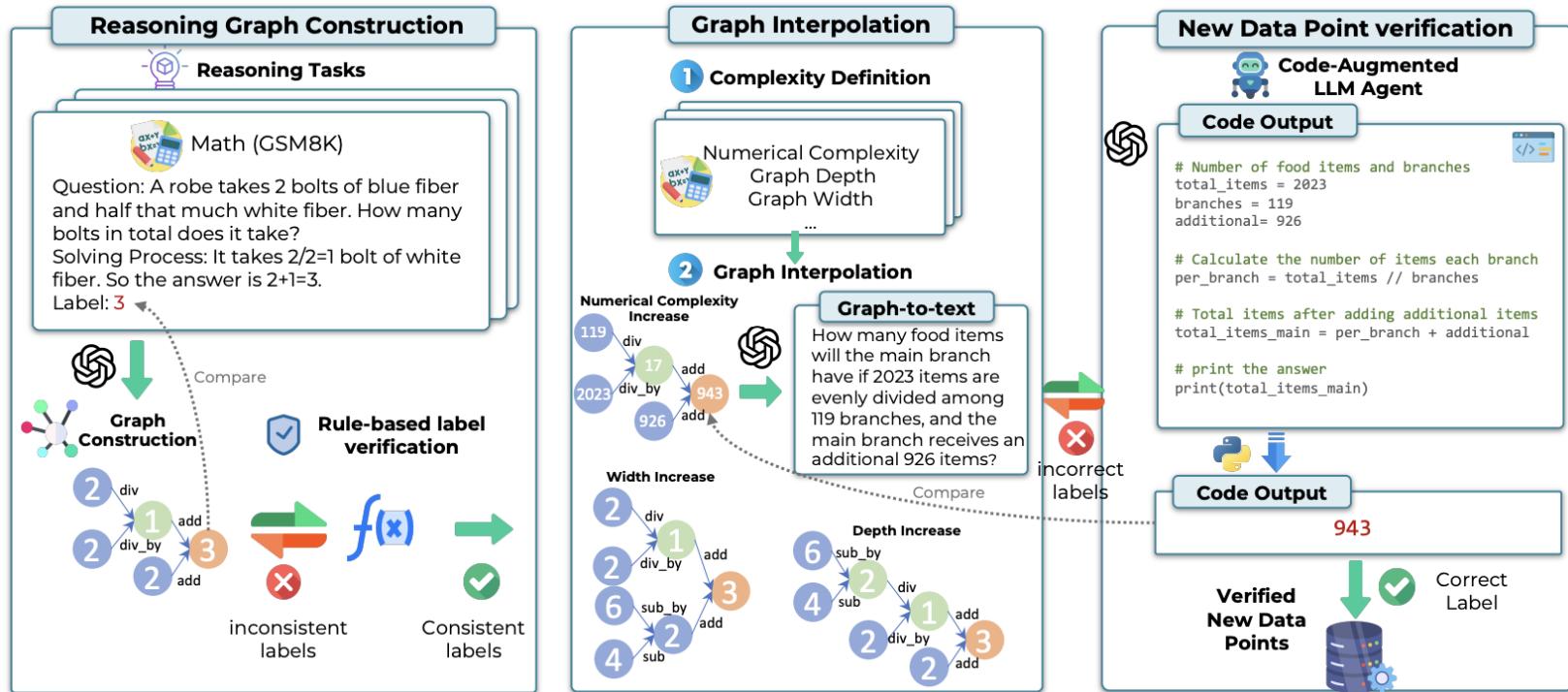


- Structured Exploration Instead of Greedy Paths
- Cost-guided Retrieval with Reasoning Flow

ToolChain* retrieves and reasons over a dynamically growing action graph

Reasoning & Planning Graph – Multi-Step Reasoning

DARG: Dynamic Evaluation via Adaptive Reasoning Graph



Reasoning graphs are powerful for reasoning ability evaluation

- Enable Structural Complexity Control
- Make LLM Reasoning Observable and Measurable
- Answer questions by retrieving underlying reasoning graph – Logic Fetching

Reasoning & Planning Graph – Multi-Step Reasoning

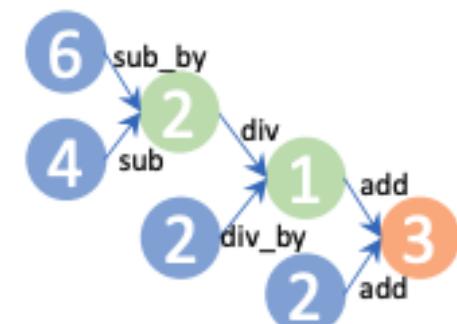
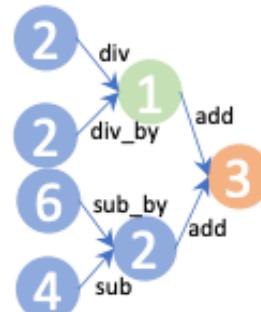
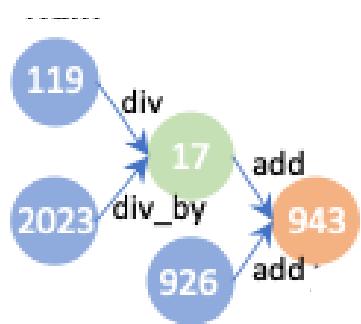
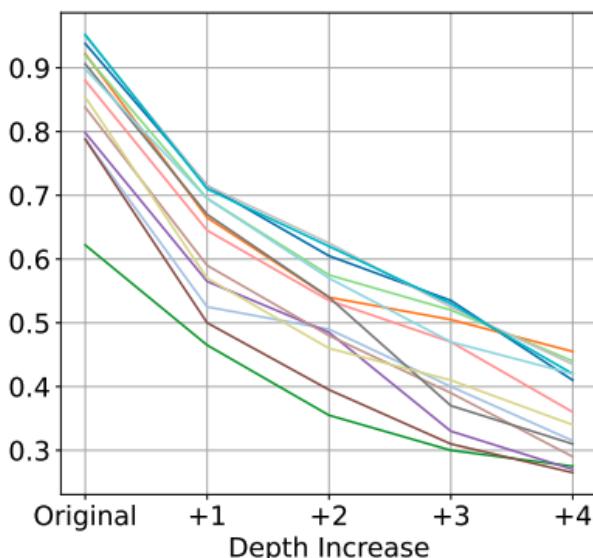
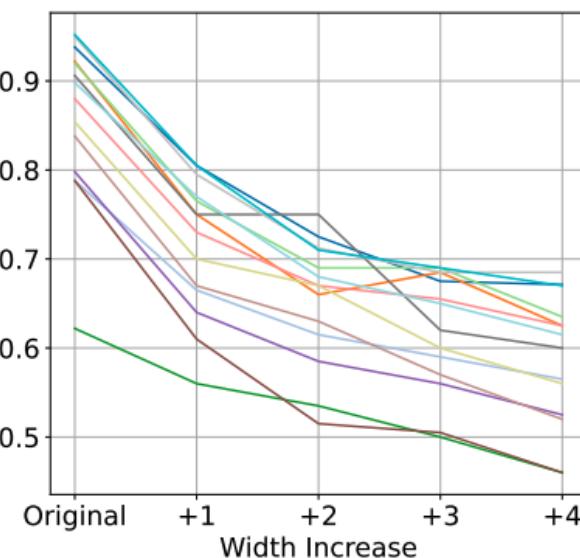
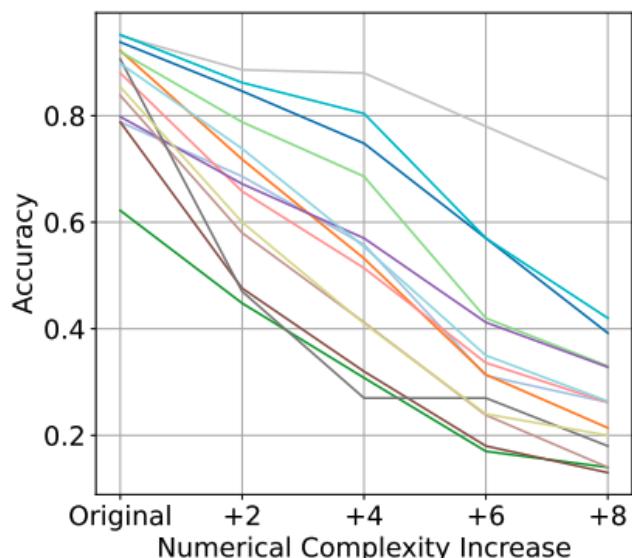
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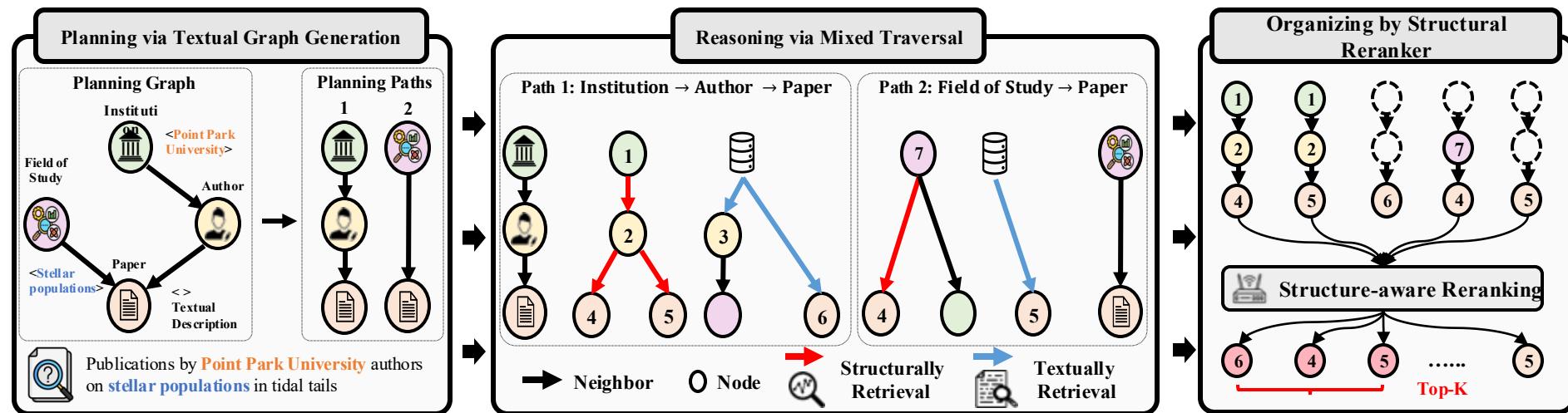
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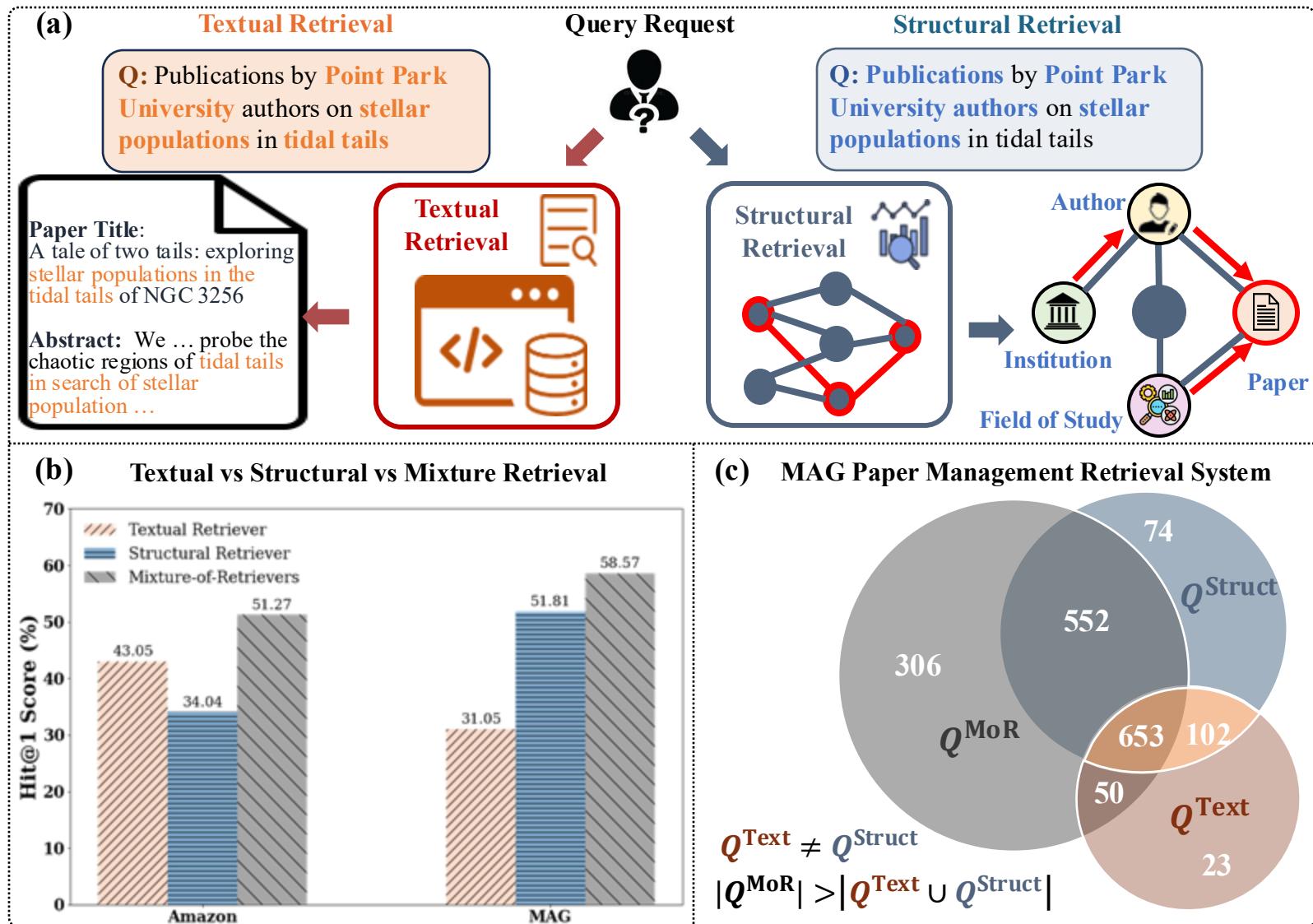
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MoR - Mixture of Structural and Textual Retrieval



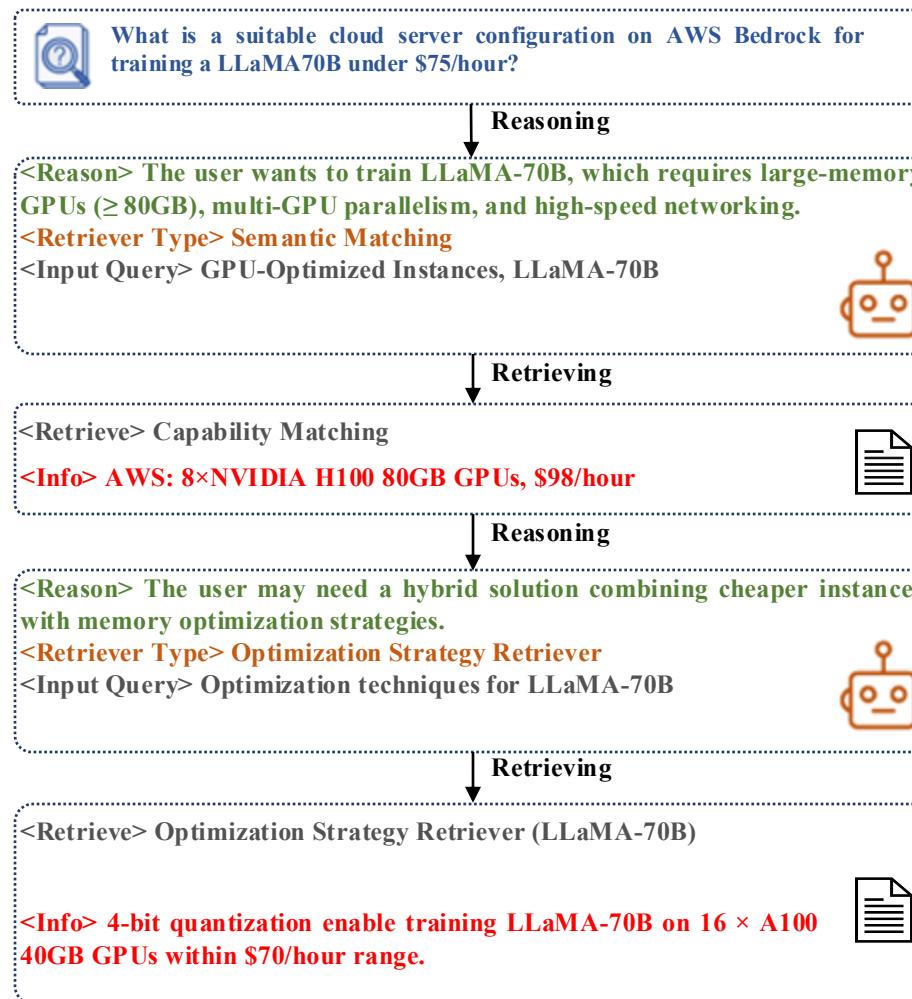
- **Planning** - Given a query, generate its planning graph
- **Reasoning** - Mixed traversal guided by generated planning graph
 - Structural retrieval via graph traversal
 - Textual retrieval via textual matching
- **Organizing** - Structure-aware Rerank to select top-k candidates

Reasoning & Planning Graph – Augment Retrieval Itself



Reasoning & Planning Graph – Augment Retrieval Itself

Interleaved Reasoning and Retrieval via Reinforcement Learning



Reasoning & Planning Graph – Augment Retrieval Itself

Interleaved Reasoning and Retrieval via Reinforcement Learning

- Multi-turn reasoning with real-time search (<think>, <search>, <information> tokens)
- Retrieved token masking for stable RL training
- Simple outcome-based reward to supervise the reasoning + retrieval behavior.

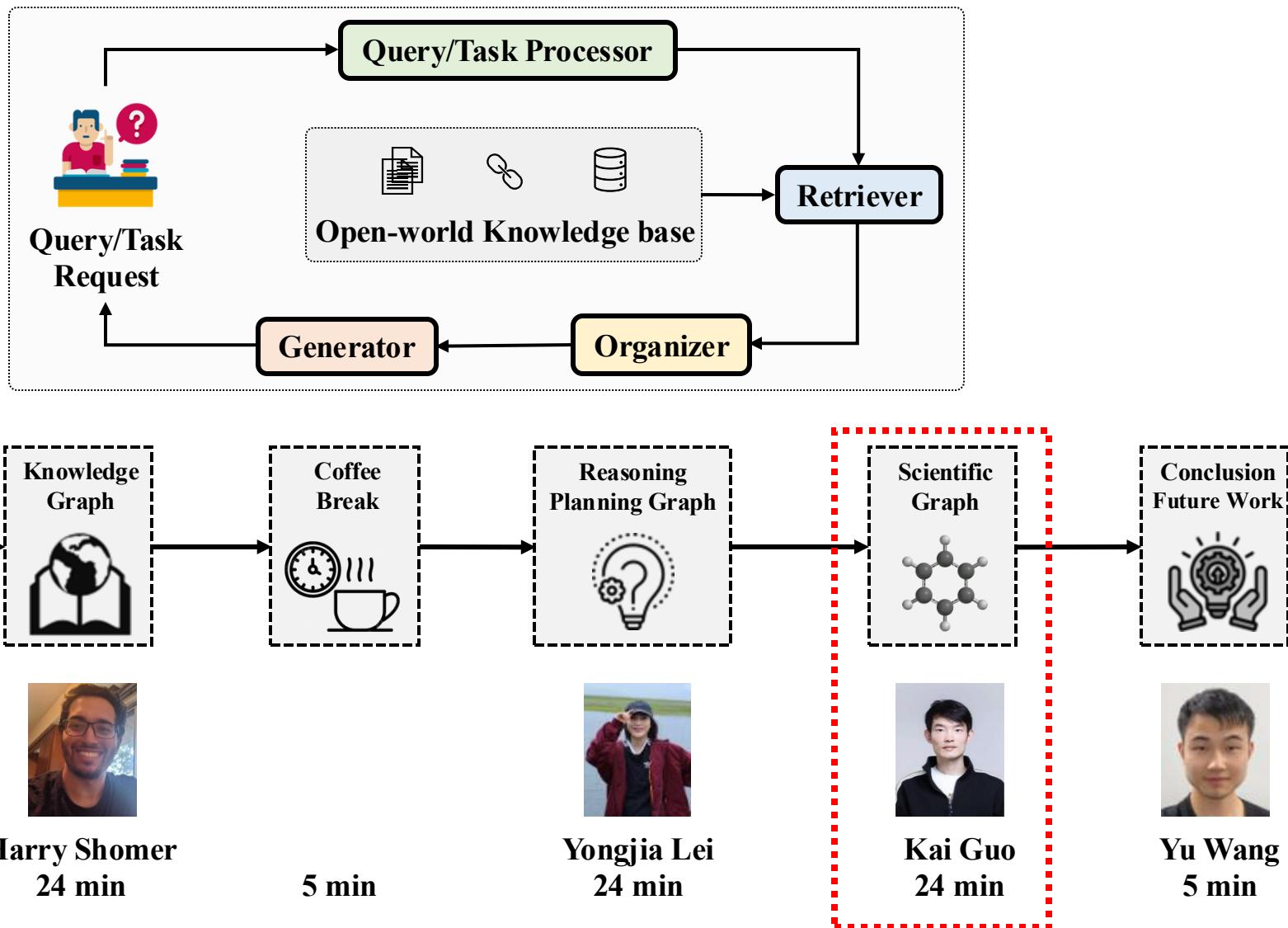
Algorithm 1 LLM Response Rollout with Multi-Turn Search Engine Calls

Require: Input query x , policy model π_θ , search engine \mathcal{R} , maximum action budget B .

Ensure: Final response y .

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1: Initialize rollout sequence  $y \leftarrow \emptyset$ 
2: Initialize action count  $b \leftarrow 0$ 
3: while  $b < B$  do
4:   Initialize current action LLM rollout sequence  $y_b \leftarrow \emptyset$ 
5:   while True do
6:     Generate response token  $y_t \sim \pi_\theta(\cdot | x, y + y_b)$ 
7:     Append  $y_t$  to rollout sequence  $y_b \leftarrow y_b + y_t$ 
8:     if  $y_t$  in [</search>, </answer>, <eos>] then break
9:     end if
10:    end while
11:     $y \leftarrow y + y_b$ 
12:    if <search> </search> detected in  $y_b$  then
13:      Extract search query  $q \leftarrow \text{Parse}(y_b, \text{</search>}, \text{</search>})$ 
14:      Retrieve search results  $d = \mathcal{R}(q)$ 
15:      Insert  $d$  into rollout  $y \leftarrow y + \text{<information>}d\text{</information>}$ 
16:    else if <answer> </answer> detected in  $y_b$  then
17:      return final generated response  $y$ 
18:    else
19:      Ask for rethink  $y \leftarrow y + \text{"My action is not correct. Let me rethink."}$ 
20:    end if
21:    Increment action count  $b \leftarrow b + 1$ 
22:  end while
23: return final generated response  $y$ 
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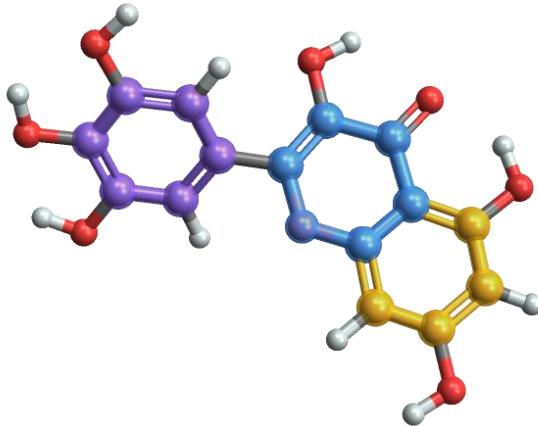
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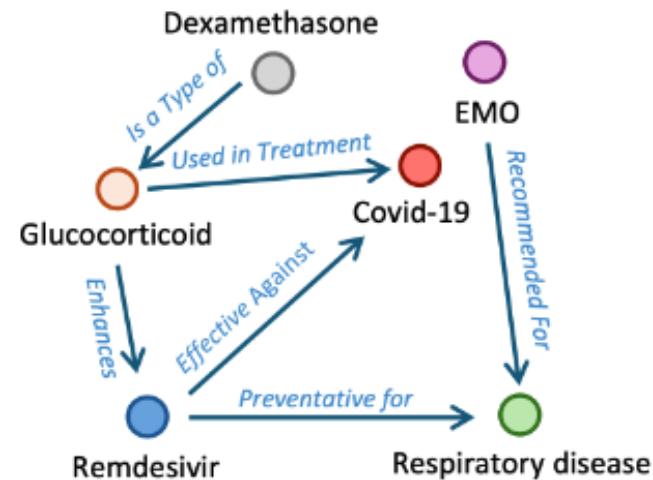
Scientific Graph

What is scientific graph?

Microscopic



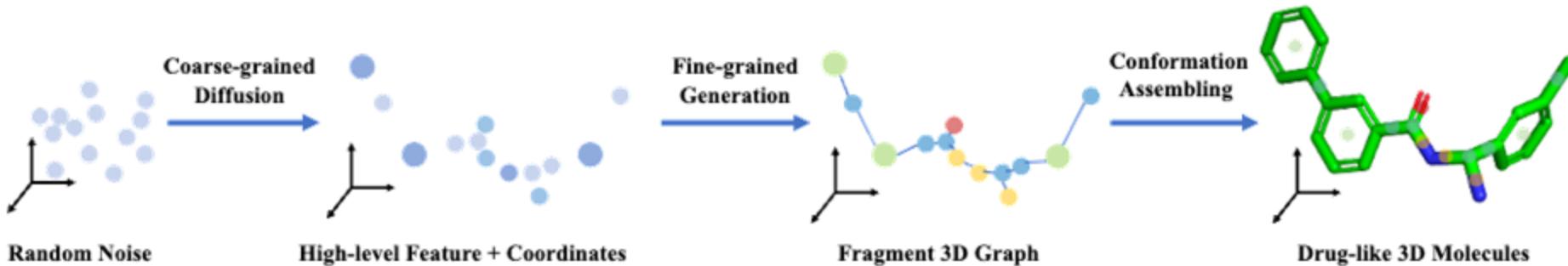
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What kind of tasks can we do on scientific graph?

Scientific Graph - Molecule Generation

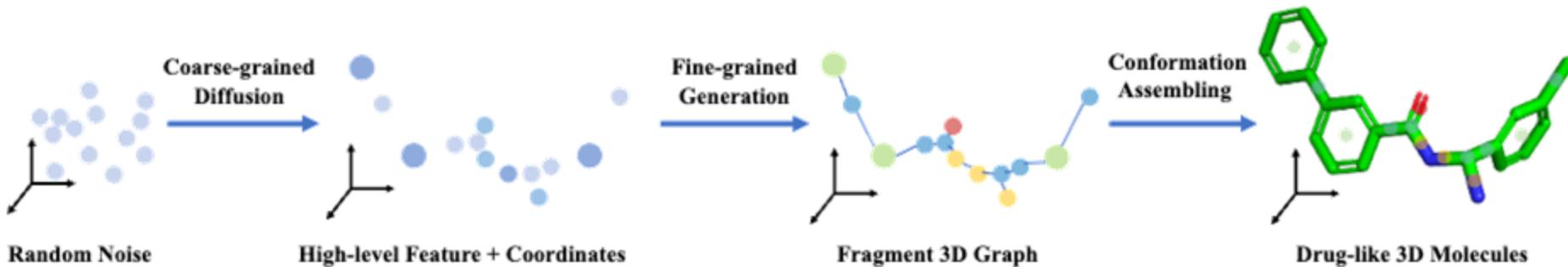
Molecule Generation



- **Random Noise:** Initialize fragment feature vectors and 3D positions as random noise.
- **Coarse-grained Diffusion :** Diffusion-denoise fragment features and coarse 3D positions to form a high-level scaffold.
- **Fine-grained Generation:** Employ an Equivariant GNN with iterative refinement to predict fragment bonds and precise atomic coordinates.
- **Conformation Assembling:** Assemble fragments into a complete 3D molecule.

Scientific Graph - Molecule Generation

Why GraphRAG for Molecule Generation?



- **Slow, resource-heavy generation:** Efficient generation guided by retrieved high-performing exemplar molecules.
- **Lack of prior chemical knowledge:** Introduce real molecules or fragments as structural priors to improve generation quality.
- **Lack of controllability:** Guide the generation direction precisely based on retrieved molecules with desired properties.

Scientific Graph - Molecule Property Prediction

Molecule Property Prediction

Molecule property prediction is the task of using LLMs to predict a molecule's chemical properties from its structural representation.

Instruction: Lumo is the lowest unoccupied molecular orbital energy.

What's the Lumo value of this molecule?

Molecule SMILES: CCC(O)CN(C)C=O



Answer: 0.03eV

SMILES is a textual encoding of molecules topology, such as atom types, bond types, and branching

Scientific Graph - Molecule Property Prediction

Why GraphRAG for Molecule Property Prediction?

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NCI human tumor cell line growth inhibition assay.

Question: Is this molecule effective to this assay?

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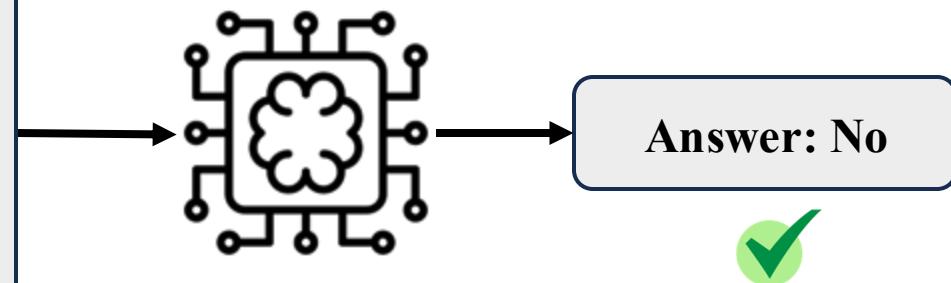
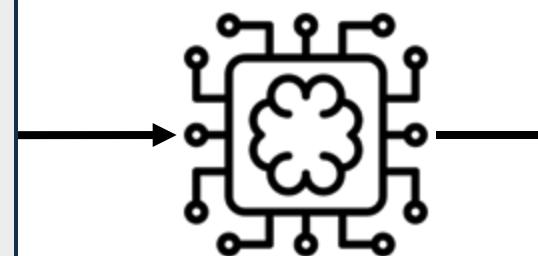
Examples:

CC(C)C(N)=O No

O=CNC=Cc1ccccc1 No

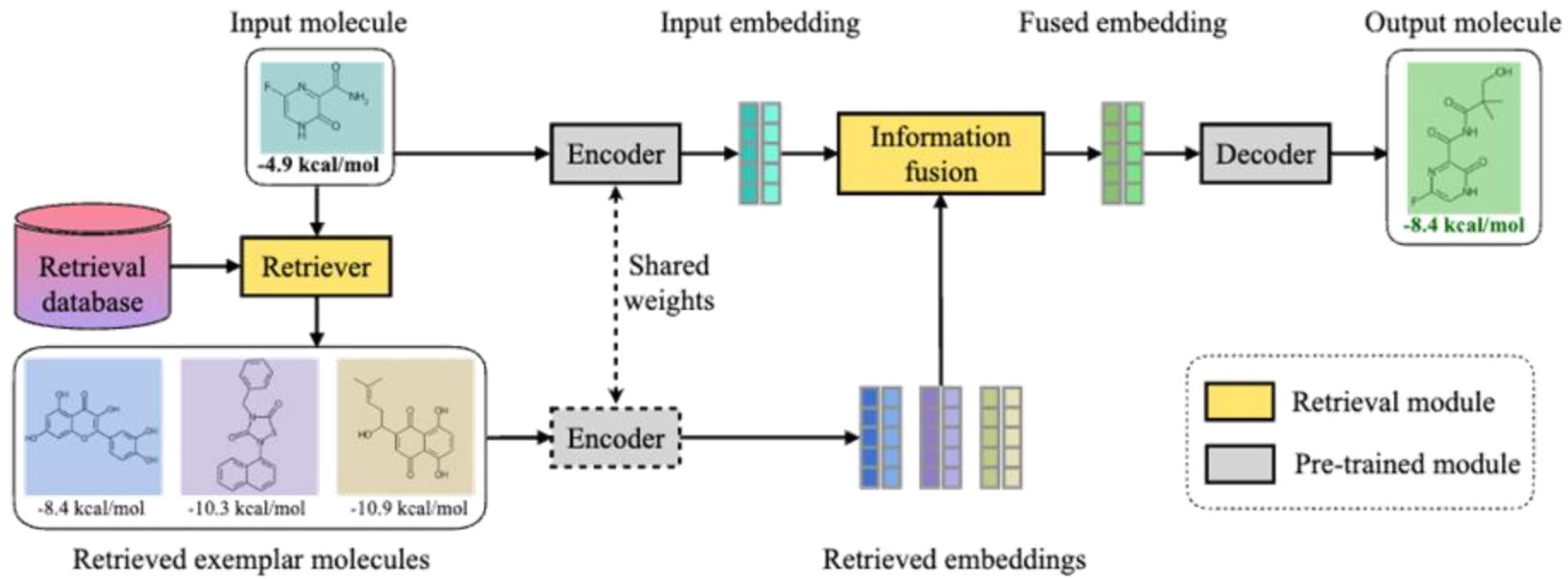
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By retrieving exemplar molecules **structurally similar** to CNC=O as demonstration and including them in the prompt, the LLM can make accurate predictions.

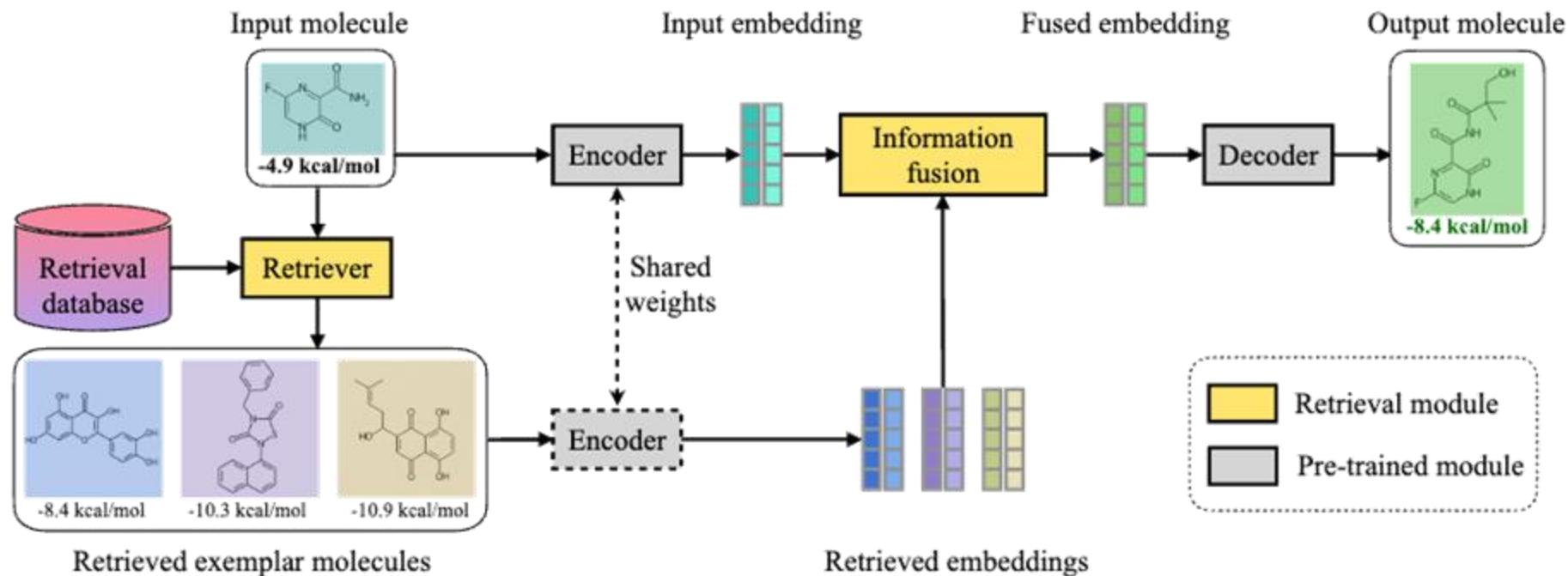
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Main problem: Data is scarce and Molecular Property Control is Difficult

Core idea: Retrieve a set of exemplar molecules to guide the generation model.

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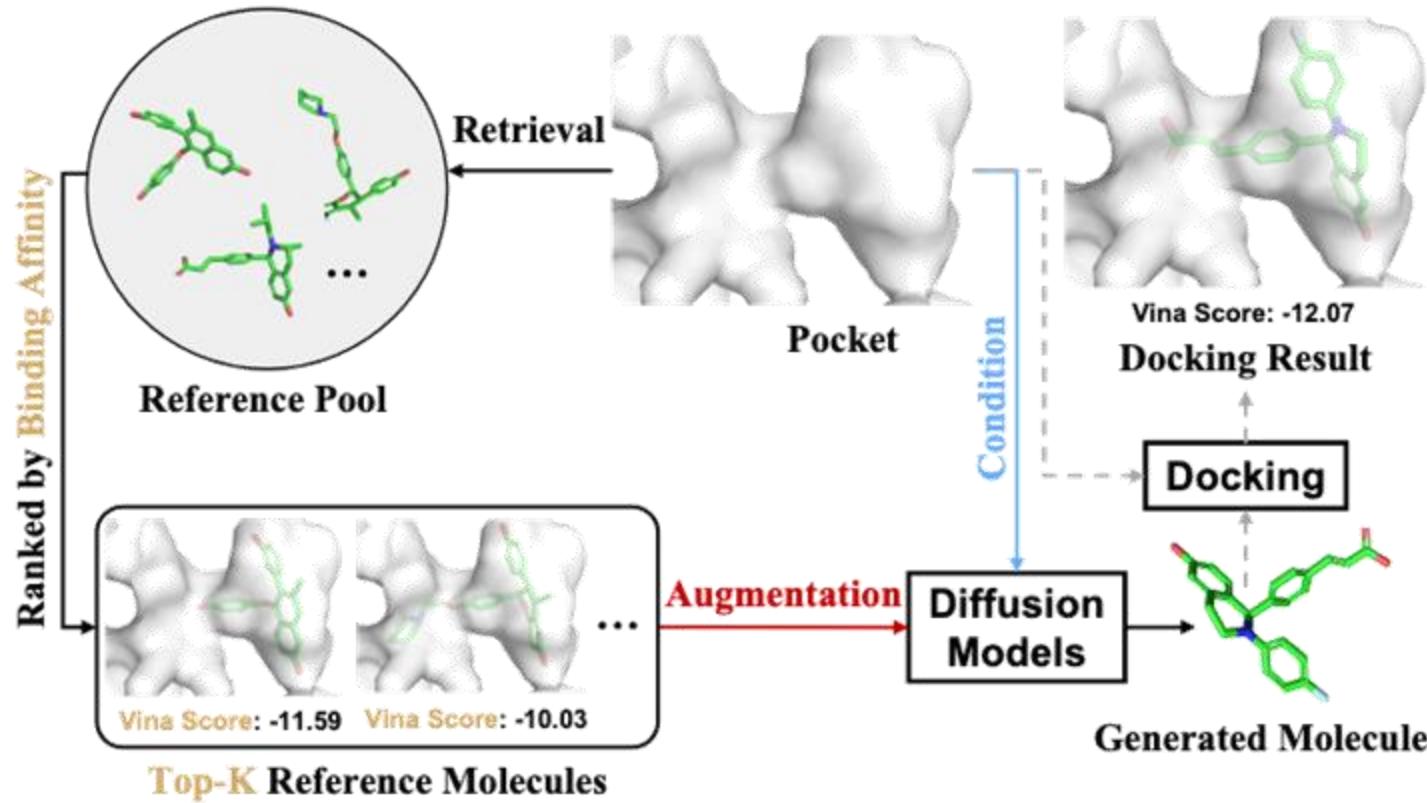


Retrieval Database: Collect exemplar molecules with desired properties.

Molecule Retrieval: Property filtering, then select top-K similar molecules using KNN.

Information Fusion: Use cross-attention to fuse input and exemplar embeddings for molecule generation via a pre-trained transformer-based model.

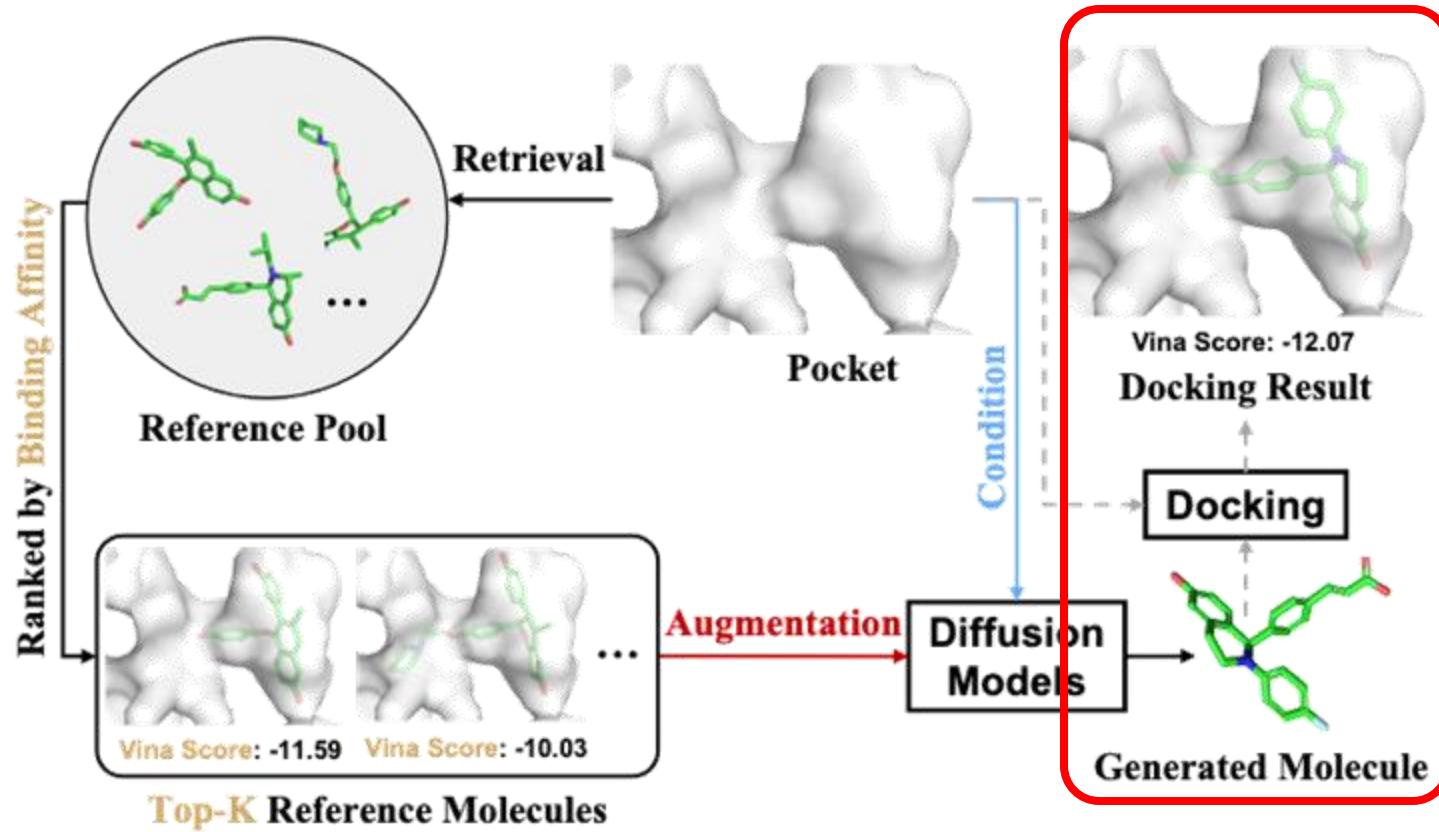
Scientific Graph - Molecule Generation



Main problem: Molecule generation without target awareness → poor binding.

Core idea: Retrieve binding-aware references → guide diffusion to generate target-specific, high-affinity molecules.

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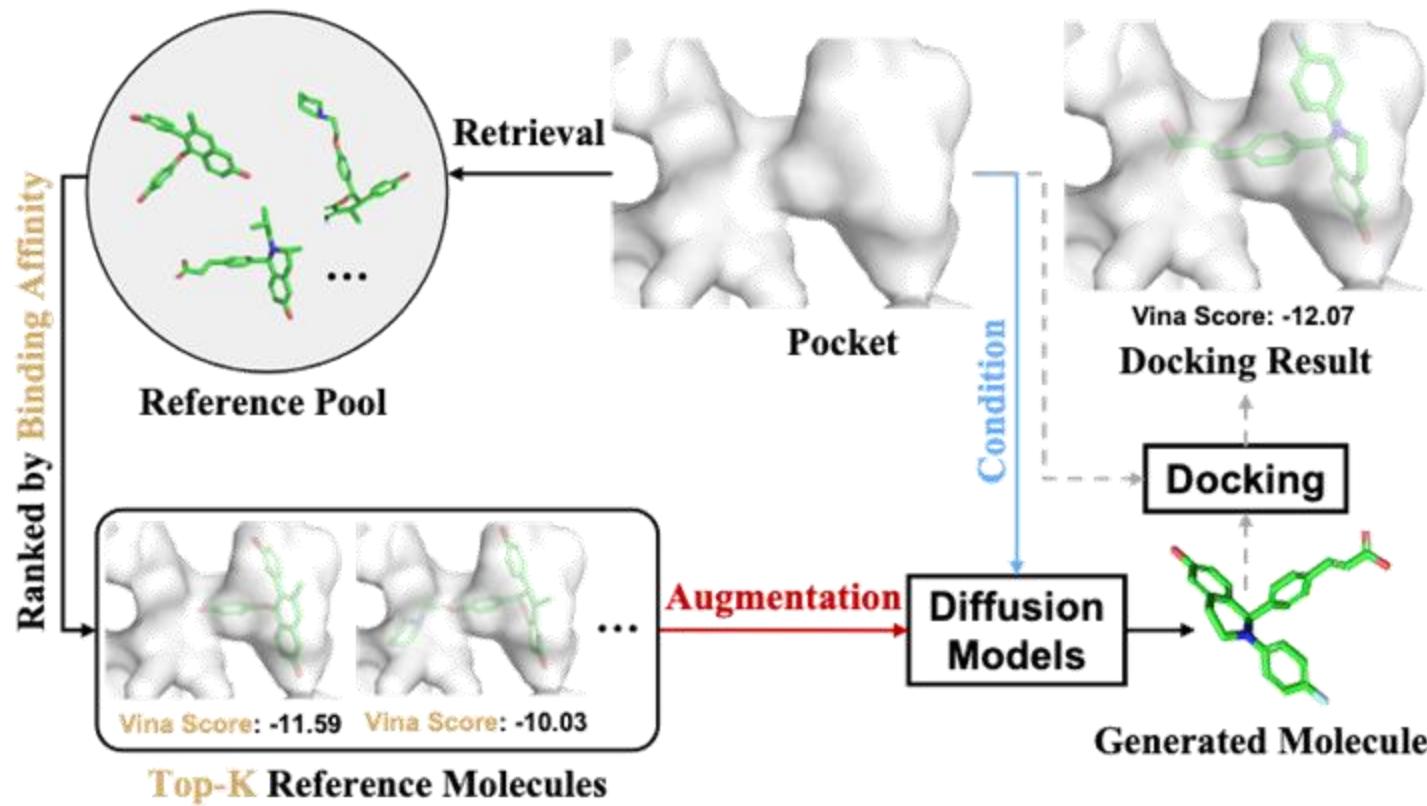


What is docking?

Predict and select small **molecules** that can **effectively bind to disease-related protein targets**.

Starting points for further optimization toward the development of drug candidates.

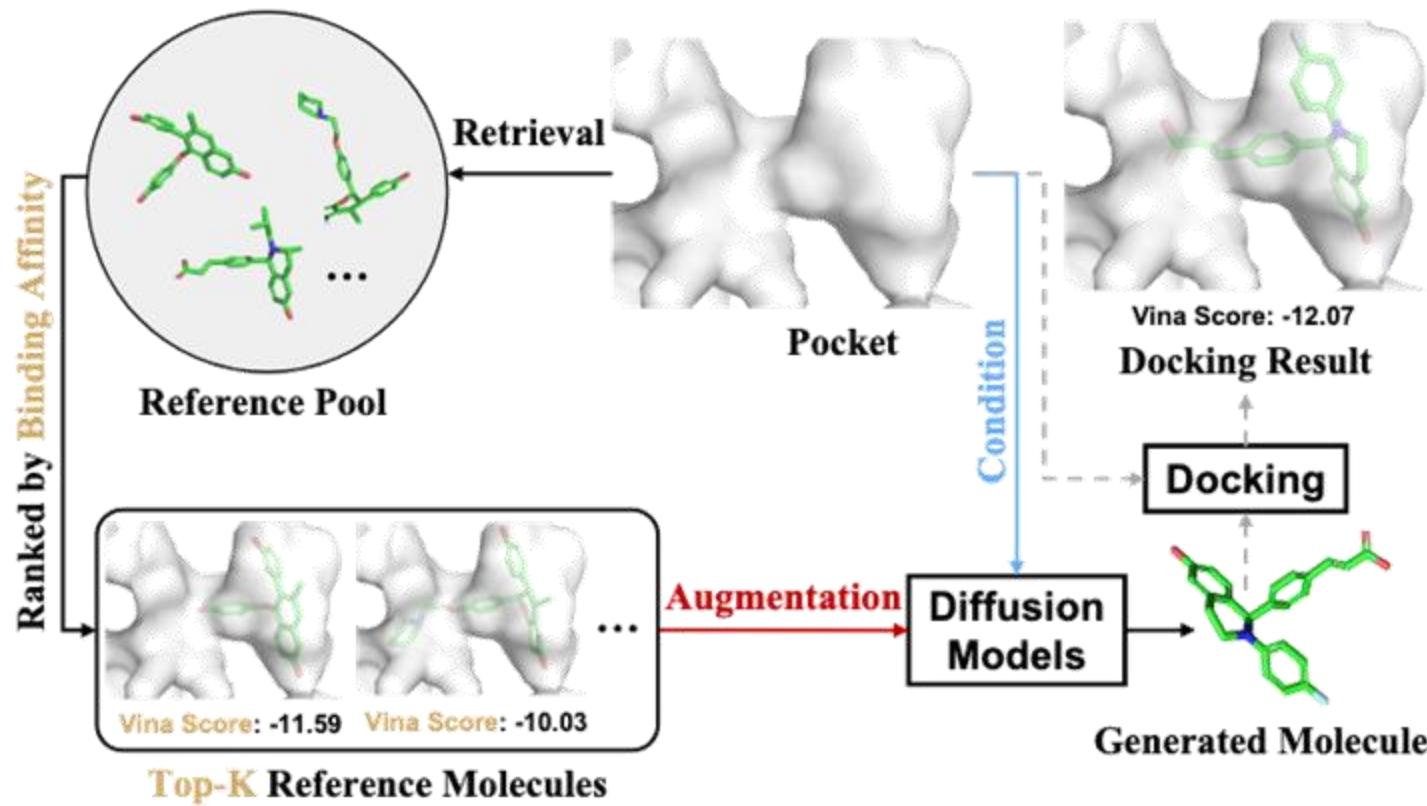
Scientific Graph - Molecule Generation



Why use graph-based retrieval?

- Ignore target protein structure → Poor binding when evaluated by docking.
- Retrieve strong-binding reference molecules → Guide diffusion model → Generate protein-specific, high-affinity molecules.

Scientific Graph - Molecule Generation



How to retrieve reference molecules?

- Target Pocket Encoding
- Precompute Reference Pool
- Similarity Search (L2 Distance)
- Retrieve Top-K Molecules
- Use for Generation

Scientific Graph - Molecule Property Prediction

Zero-shot Instruction

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Input: CCC(O)CN(C)C=O

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SMILES: COC(=O)C#CC(N)=O

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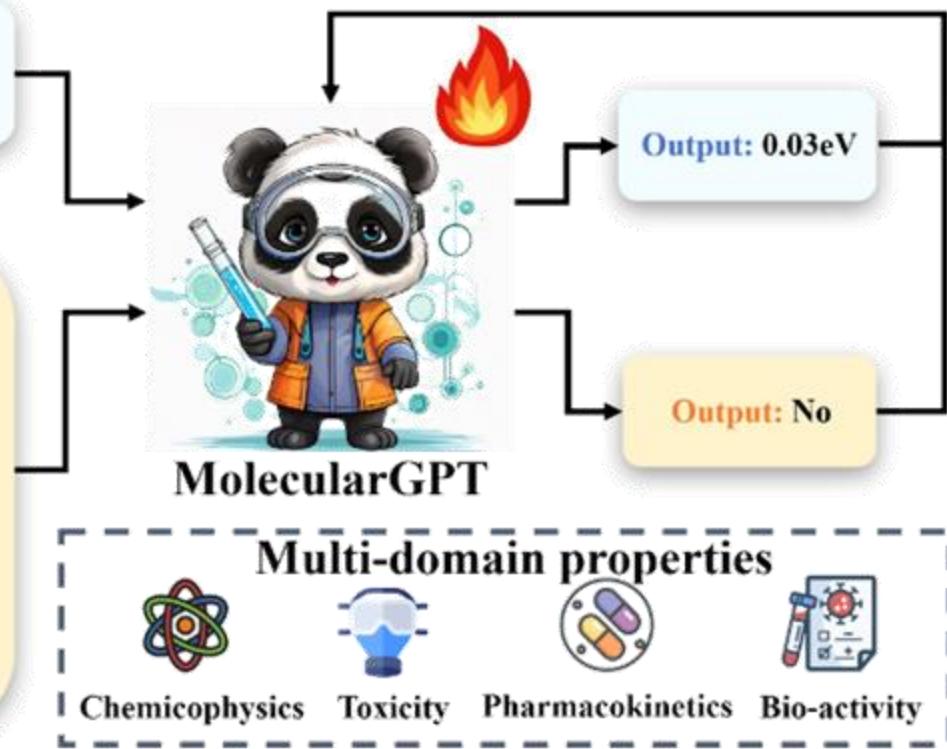
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Is this molecule effective to this assay?

Input: CNC=O

Structure-aware Demonstrations
Similarity decreasing

Hybrid Instruction Tuning



Main problem: LLMs lack domain-specific Knowledge

Core idea: MolecularGPT retrieve relevant molecules based on structure to enhance LLM.

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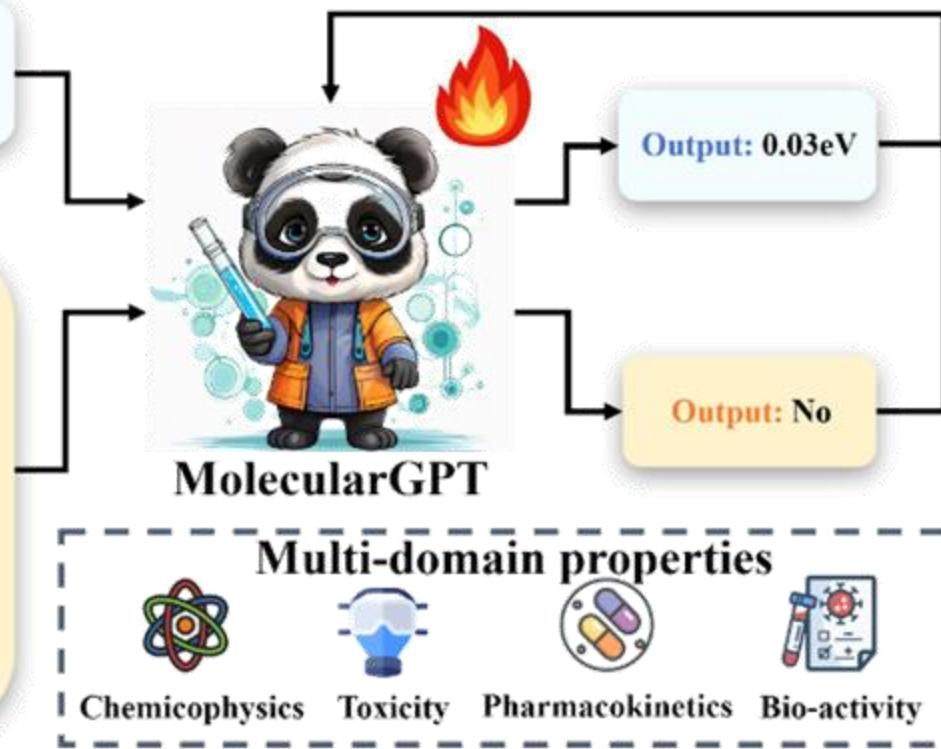
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Data Preparation: Collect (molecule, property) pairs

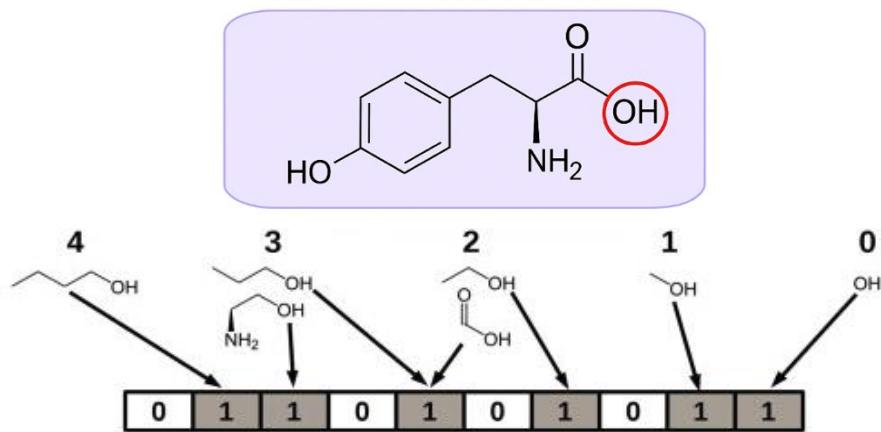
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Scientific Graph - Molecule Property Prediction

What is Tanimoto similarity?

A similarity metric between two binary fingerprints A and B



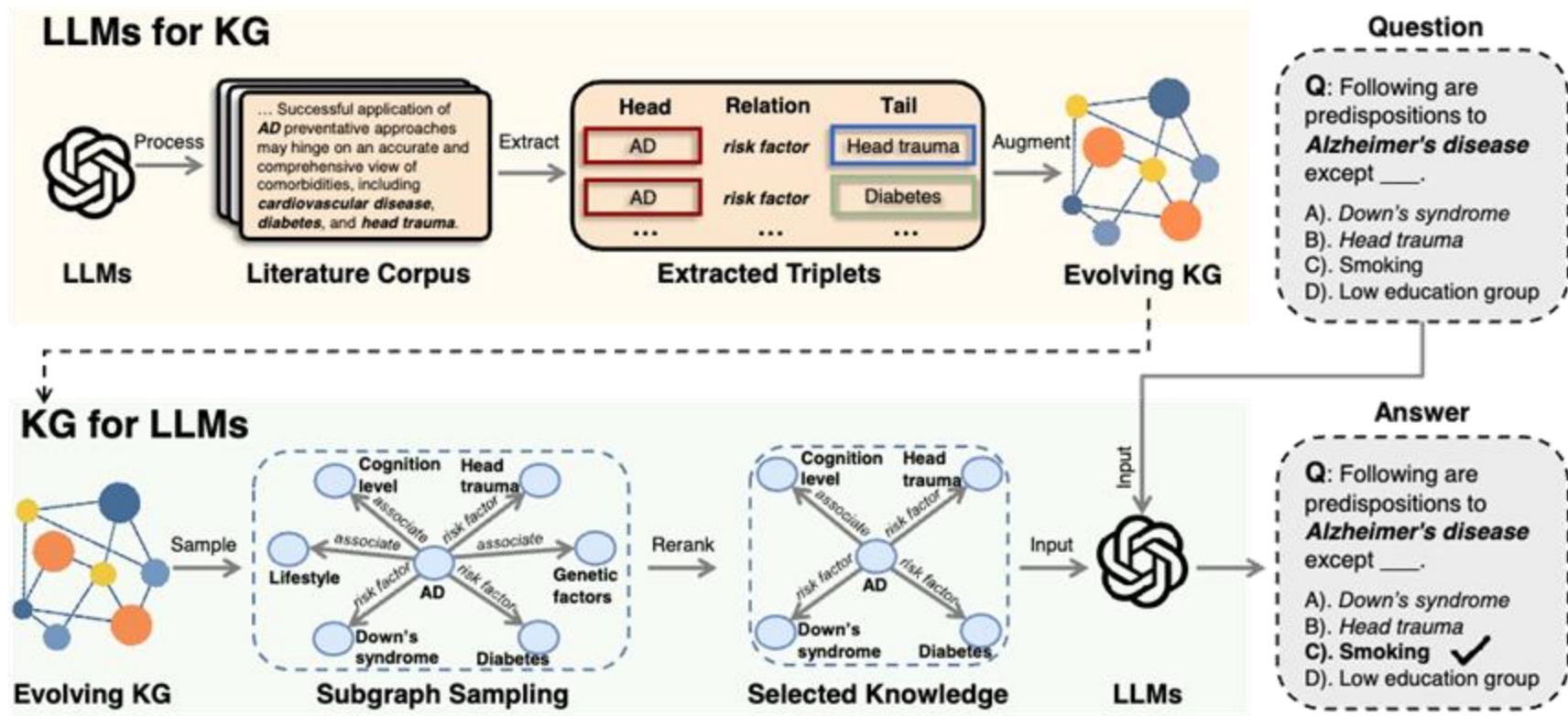
$$\text{Tanimoto}(A, B) = \frac{|A \cap B|}{|A| + |B| - |A \cap B|}$$

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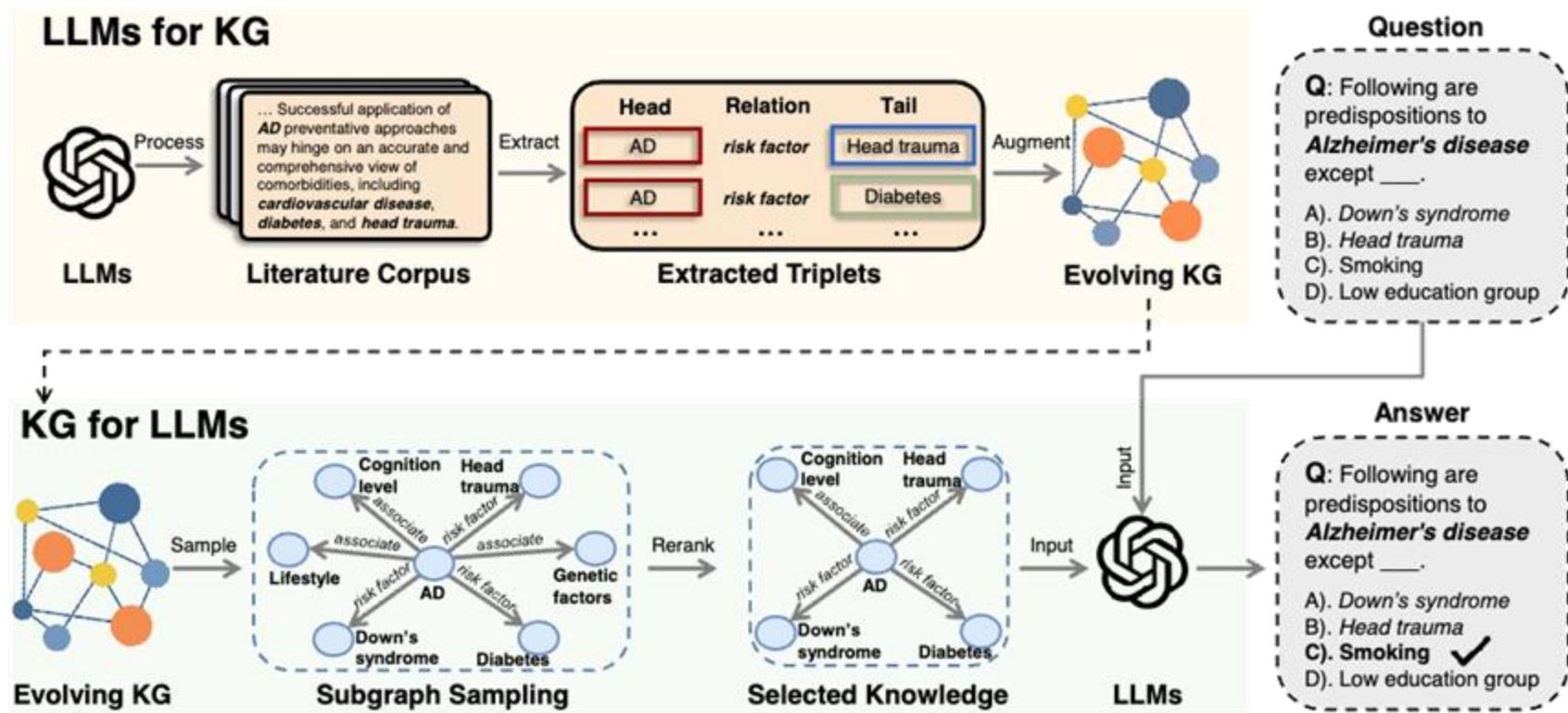
Scientific Graph - Question Answering



Main problem: LLMs struggle to answer Alzheimer's Disease (AD) questions due to limited integration of specialized biomedical knowledge.

Core idea: DALK augments LLMs with a scientific literature-derived knowledge graph to improve reasoning on AD-related questions.

Scientific Graph - Question Answering



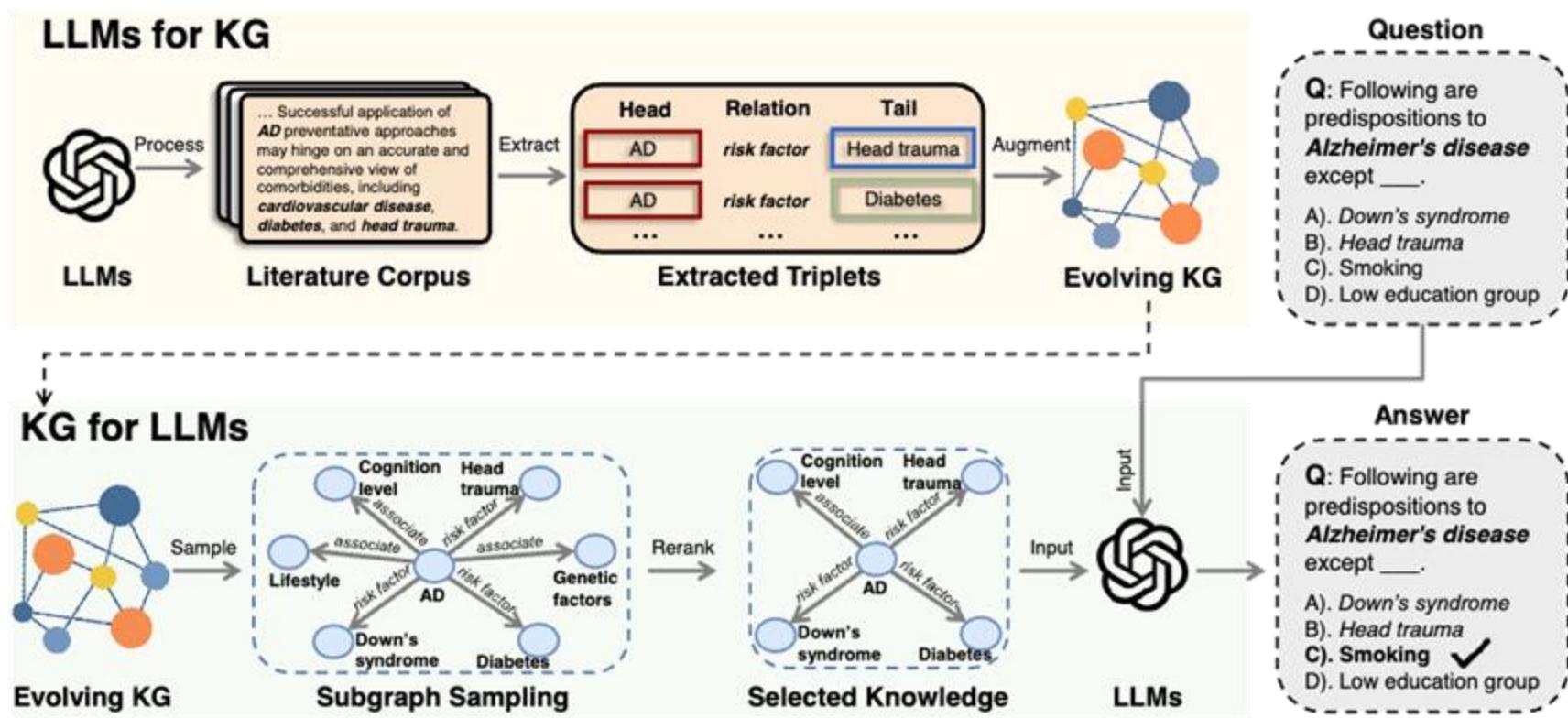
Entity Recognition: Use [PubTator Central](#) to identify biomedical entities.

Relation Extraction:

- Pairwise: LLMs describe pairwise relations.
- Generative: LLMs generate all triplets.

Evolving KG: Update KG to reflect new discoveries annually

Scientific Graph - Question Answering



Entity Extraction and Linking for query

Path Exploration: K-hop path triplets of seeding nodes and their induced subgraph

Neighbor Exploration: Neighbor of seeding nodes and their induced subgraph

Multi-modal GraphRAG for Scientific Graph

Motivation: Scientific data is inherently multi-modal:

- **Text** (Papers, Document)
- **Image** (Medical Images: MRI and CT)
- **Table**

Current GraphRAG mainly focus on text and structure separately.

Scientific Graph - Future Direction

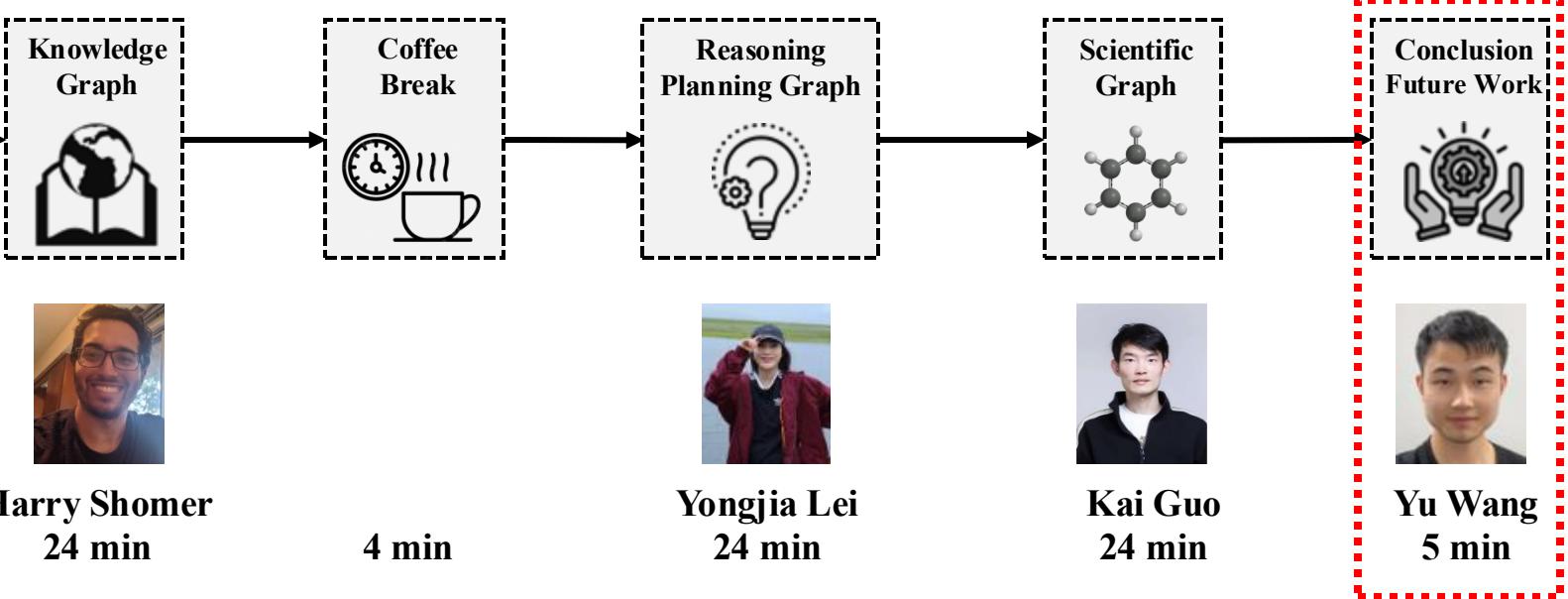
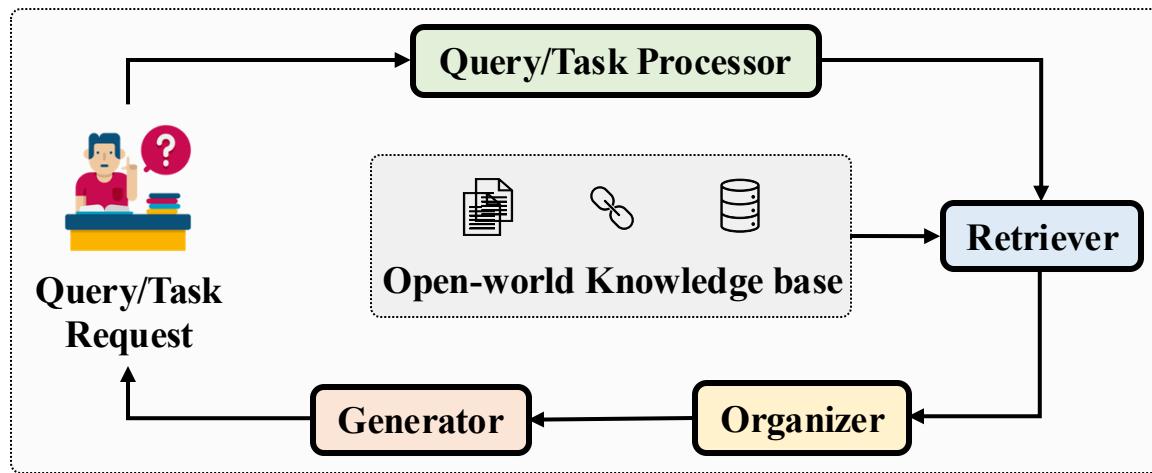
Towards Trustworthy GraphRAG for Scientific Graphs

Motivation: GraphRAG has been really deployed in many high-stake scenarios

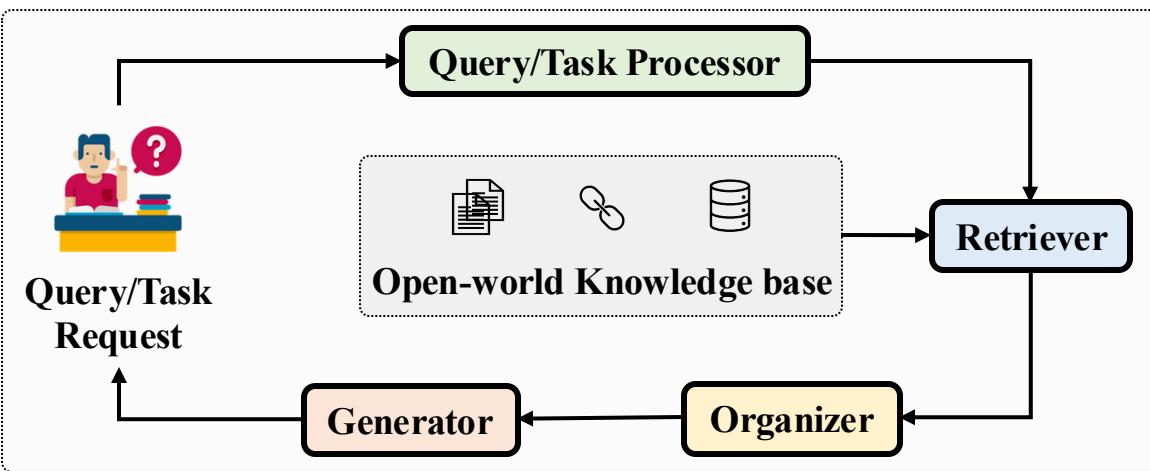
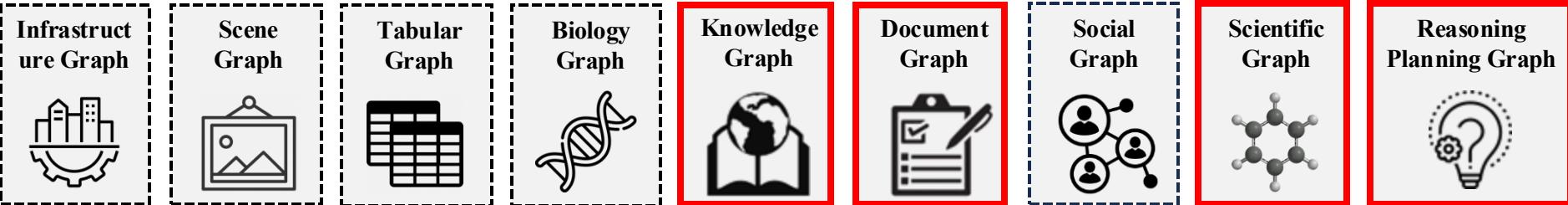
- **Retrieval focuses on associative facts, not verified causal relations**
- **Generated answers lack scientific rigor and are less trustworthy**

Building Causal Evidence Rule-based Retrieval-augmented Generation

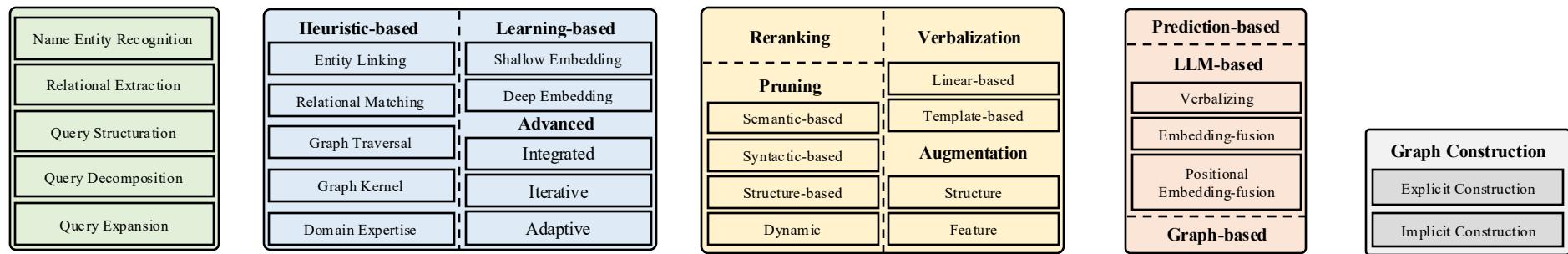
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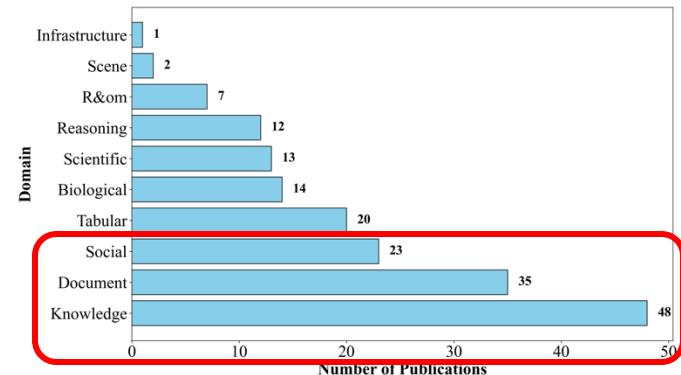
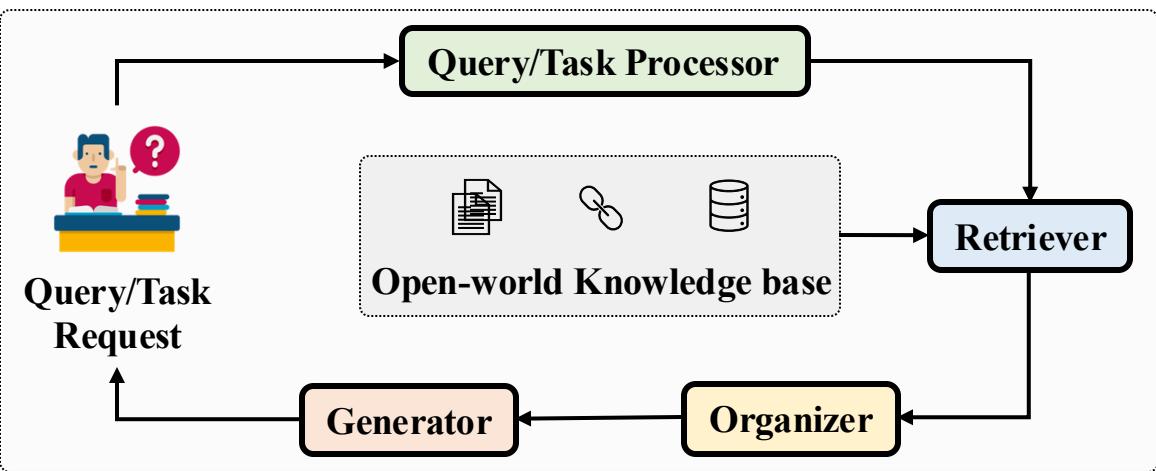
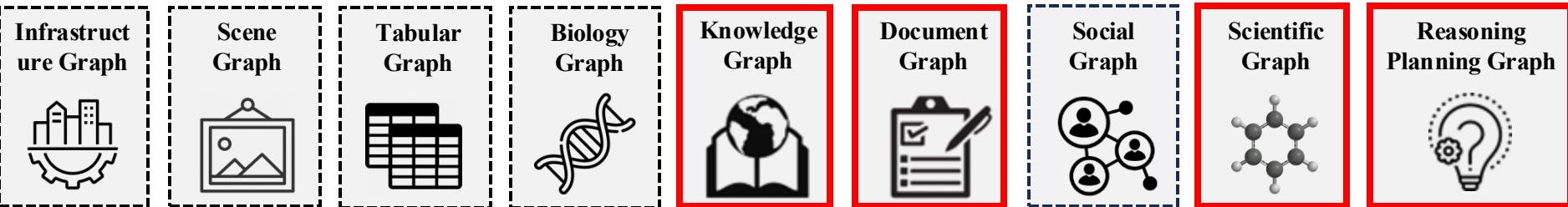
Conclusion



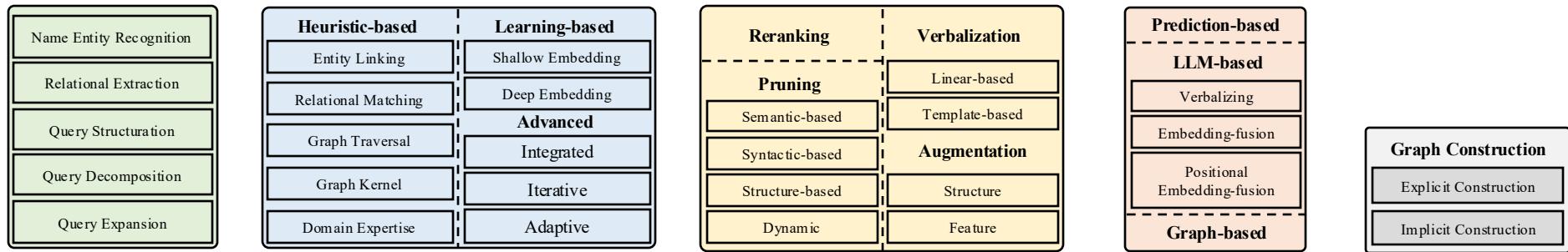
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Future Work 1 – GraphRAG on other domains

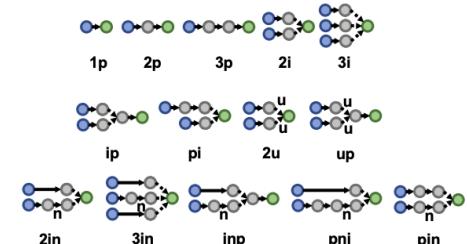


Statistics surveyed until 12/31/2024



Future Work 2 – GraphRAG Module Design

- **Query Preprocessor** – Analyze Query Structure and Topology



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- **Retriever**

- Harmonizing Internal and External Knowledge
- How to embedding different types of structured knowledge (e.g., cluster vs path)
- Reasoning, planning, and thinking along the way (e.g., Search-R1)

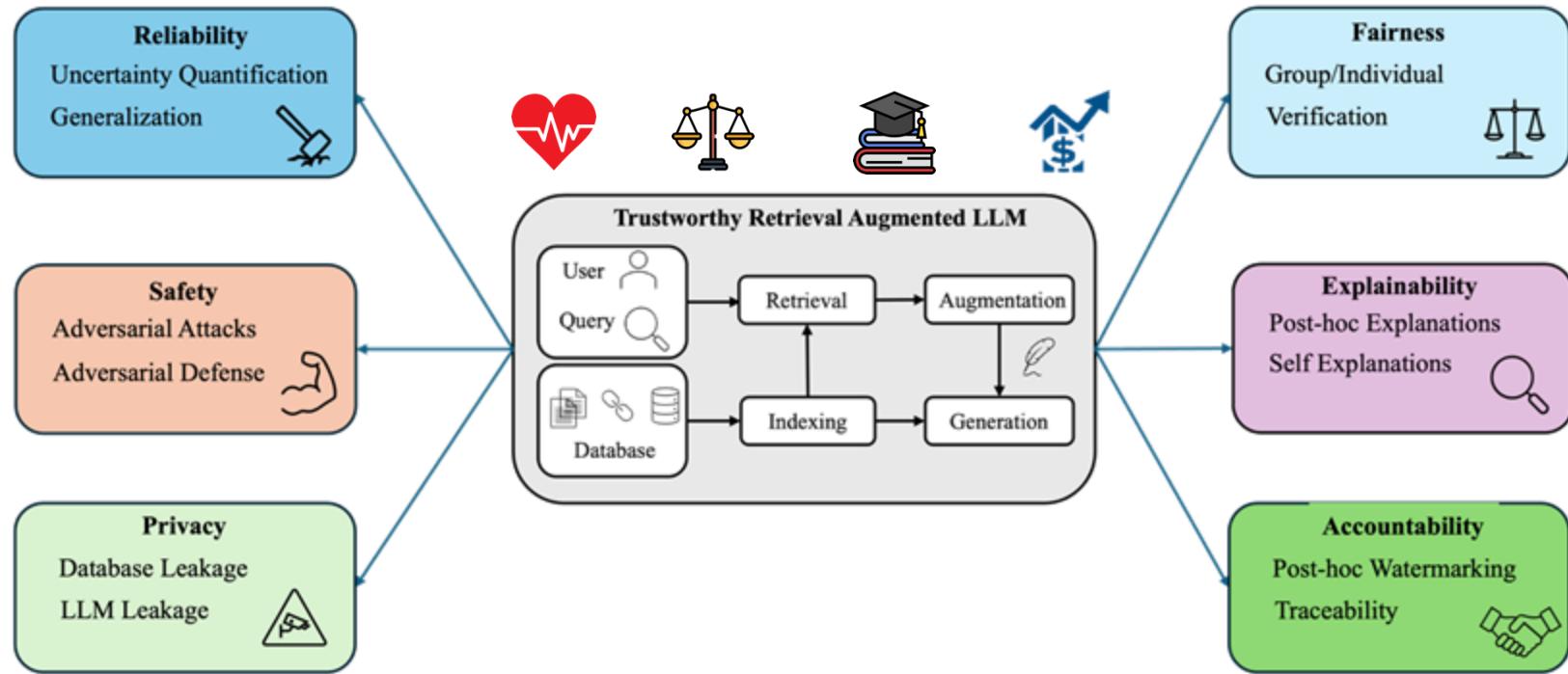
- **Organizer**

- Retrieved Graph can be large, balancing completeness and conciseness (e.g., exponentially growth receptive field)
- Optimal Data Structuring that generator can leverage
- Align retrieved resources from different parties (e.g., multi-modality graph)

- **Generator**

- Correct Format of Prompting (e.g., adjacent list, markdown format,))
- Structural Encoding for expressing the graph structure

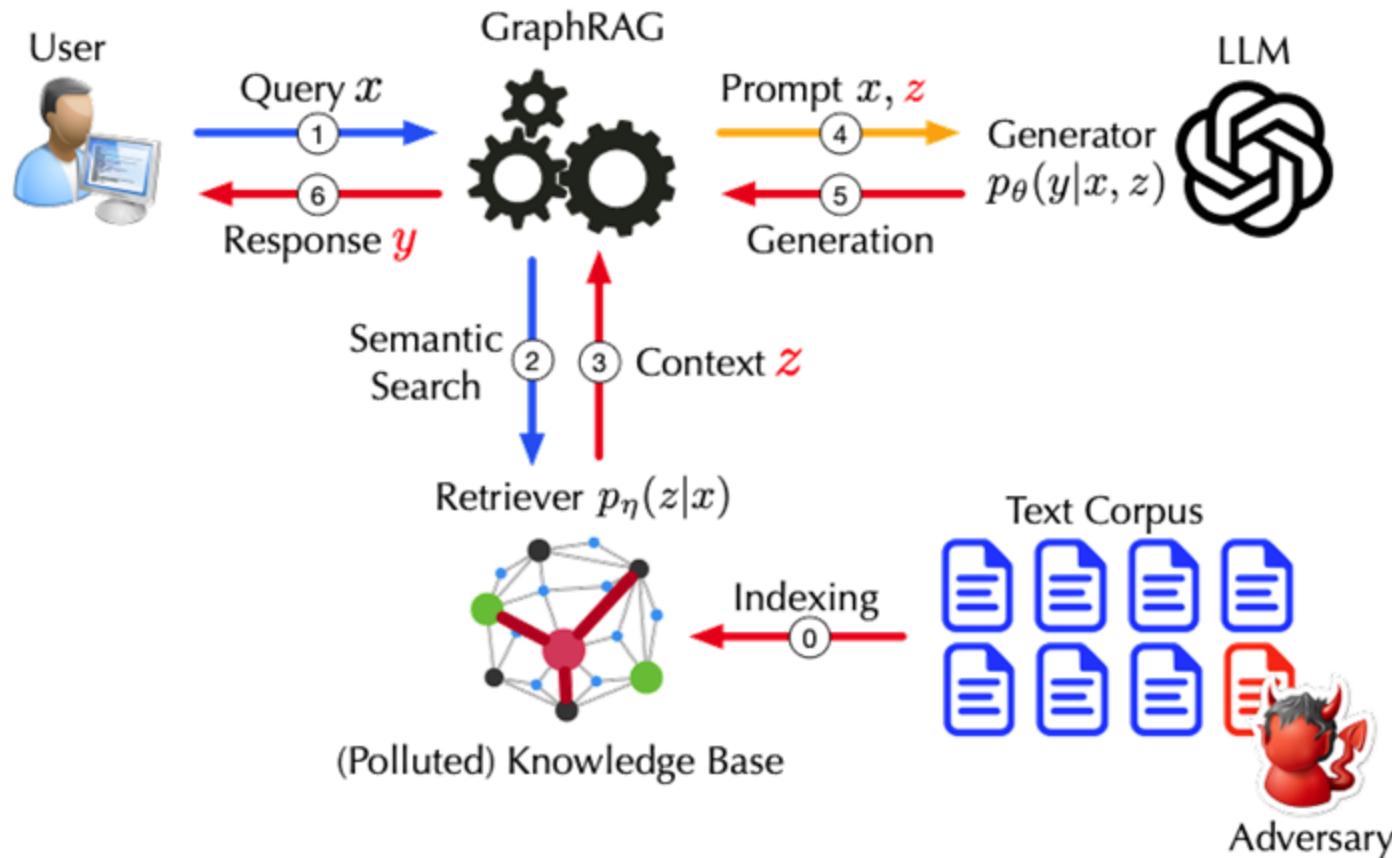
Future Work 3 – Trustworthy GraphRAG



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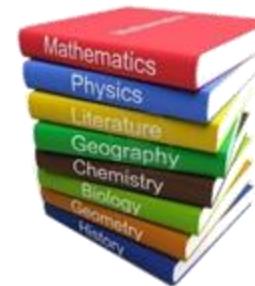
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Future Work 4 – Data-centric GraphRAG

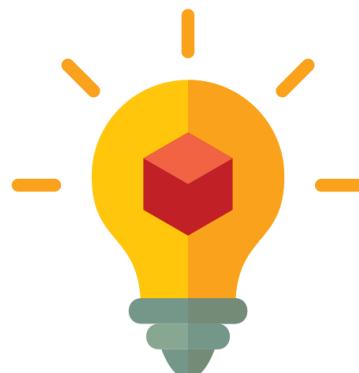
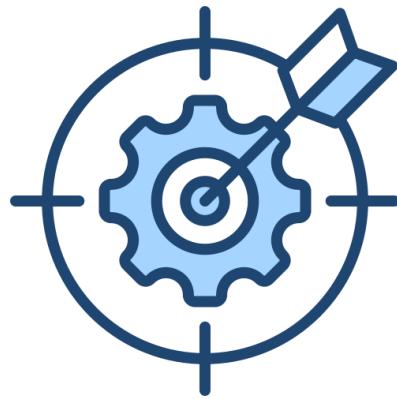
- Balance Internal and External Knowledge



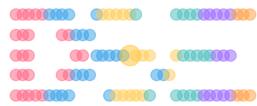
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- Trade-off Among Accuracy, Diversity, and Novelty



Thank you for your listening!



Retrieval-Augmented Generation with Graphs (GraphRAG)

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Abstract

Retrieval-augmented generation (RAG) is a powerful technique that enhances downstream task execution by retrieving additional information, such as knowledge, skills, and tools from external sources. Graph, by its intrinsic “nodes connected by edges” nature, encodes massive heterogeneous and relational information, making it a golden resource for RAG in tremendous real-world applications. As a result, we have recently witnessed increasing attention on equipping RAG with Graph, i.e., GraphRAG. However, unlike conventional RAG, where the retriever, generator, and external data sources can be uniformly designed in the neural-embedding space, the uniqueness of graph-structured data, such as diverse-formatted and domain-specific relational knowledge, poses unique and significant challenges when designing GraphRAG for different domains. Given the broad applicability, the associated design challenges, and the recent surge in GraphRAG, a systematic and up-to-date survey of its key concepts and techniques is urgently desired. Following this motivation, we present a comprehensive and up-to-date survey on GraphRAG. Our survey first proposes a holistic GraphRAG framework by defining its key components, including query processor, retriever, organizer, generator, and data source. Furthermore, recognizing that graphs in different domains exhibit distinct relational patterns and require dedicated designs, we review GraphRAG techniques uniquely tailored to each domain. Finally, we discuss research challenges and brainstorm directions to inspire cross-disciplinary opportunities. Our survey repository is publicly maintained at <https://github.com/Graph-RAG/GraphRAG>.

GraphRAG



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Towards Trustworthy Retrieval Augmented Generation for Large Language Models: A Survey

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Abstract

Retrieval-Augmented Generation (RAG) is an advanced technique designed to address the challenges of Artificial Intelligence-Generated Content (AIGC). By integrating context retrieval into content generation, RAG provides reliable and up-to-date external knowledge, reduces hallucinations, and ensures relevant context across a wide range of tasks. However, despite RAG's success and potential, recent studies have shown that the RAG paradigm also introduces new risks, including robustness issues, privacy concerns, adversarial attacks, and accountability issues. Addressing these risks is critical for future applications of RAG systems, as they directly impact their trustworthiness. Although various methods have been developed to improve the trustworthiness of RAG methods, there is a lack of a unified perspective and framework for research in this topic. Thus, in this paper, we aim to address this gap by providing a comprehensive roadmap for developing trustworthy RAG systems. We place our discussion around five key perspectives: reliability, privacy, safety, fairness, explainability, and accountability. For each perspective, we present a general framework and taxonomy, offering a structured approach to understanding the current challenges, evaluating existing solutions, and identifying promising future research directions. To encourage broader adoption and innovation, we also highlight the downstream applications where trustworthy RAG systems have a significant impact. For more information about the survey, please check our GitHub repository^{*}.

Trustworthy RAG



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