



# Efficient and Robust Knowledge Graph Construction

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# Efficient and Robust Knowledge Graph Construction

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# Part 1

# Named Entity Recognition

## (NER)

## What is Named Entity Recognition(NER)?

Recognize mentions of rigid designators from text belonging to predefined semantic types, such as person, location, organization etc.

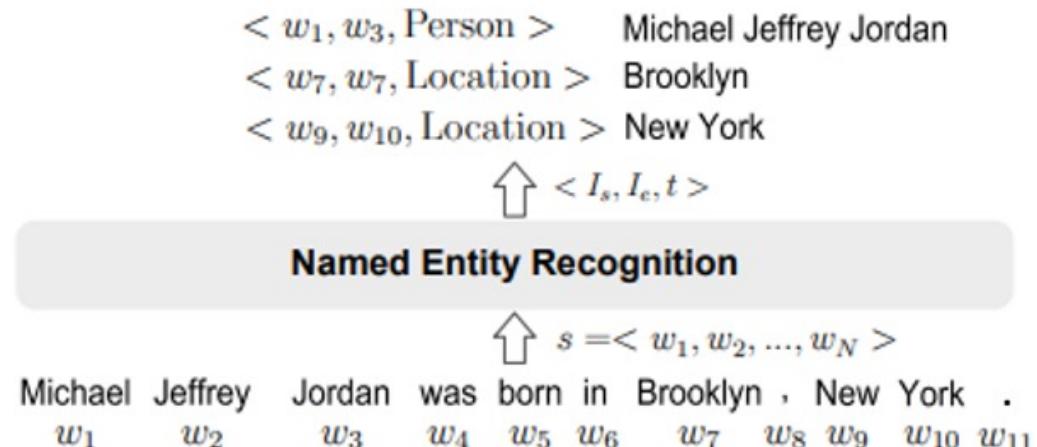


Fig.1. An illustration of the named entity recognition task.

# Named Entity Recognition(NER)

# Downstream Tasks

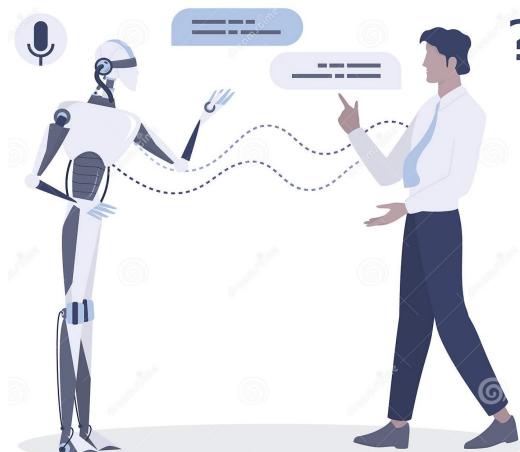
NER is not a standalone tool for information extraction(IE).

NER plays an essential role in a variety of natural language processing(NLP) applications.

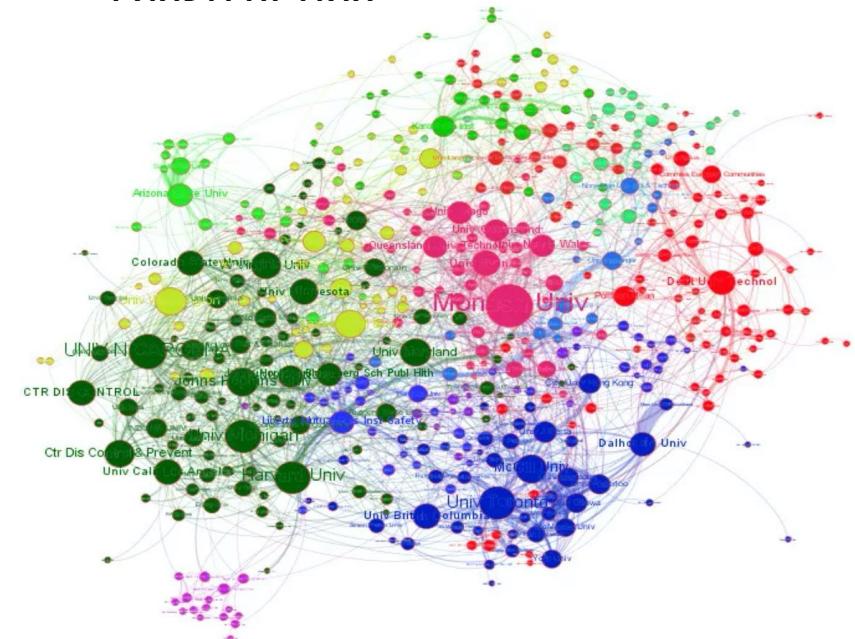
- machine translation



- ## ❑ question answering



- ## knowledge base construction





**Ruled-based approaches:** Rely on hand-crafted rules

- Based on domain-specific knowledge and cannot be transferred to other domains.



**Feature-based approaches:** NER is cast to a multi-class classification or sequence labeling task

- Machine learning approaches need carefully designed features, which needs a lot of human effort.



**Deep learning approaches:**

- NER benefits from the non-linear transformation
- Deep learning saves significant effort on designing NER features
- Deep neural NER models can be trained in an end-to-end paradigm.



## Flat NER :

Typical approach: BERT+LSTM+CRF

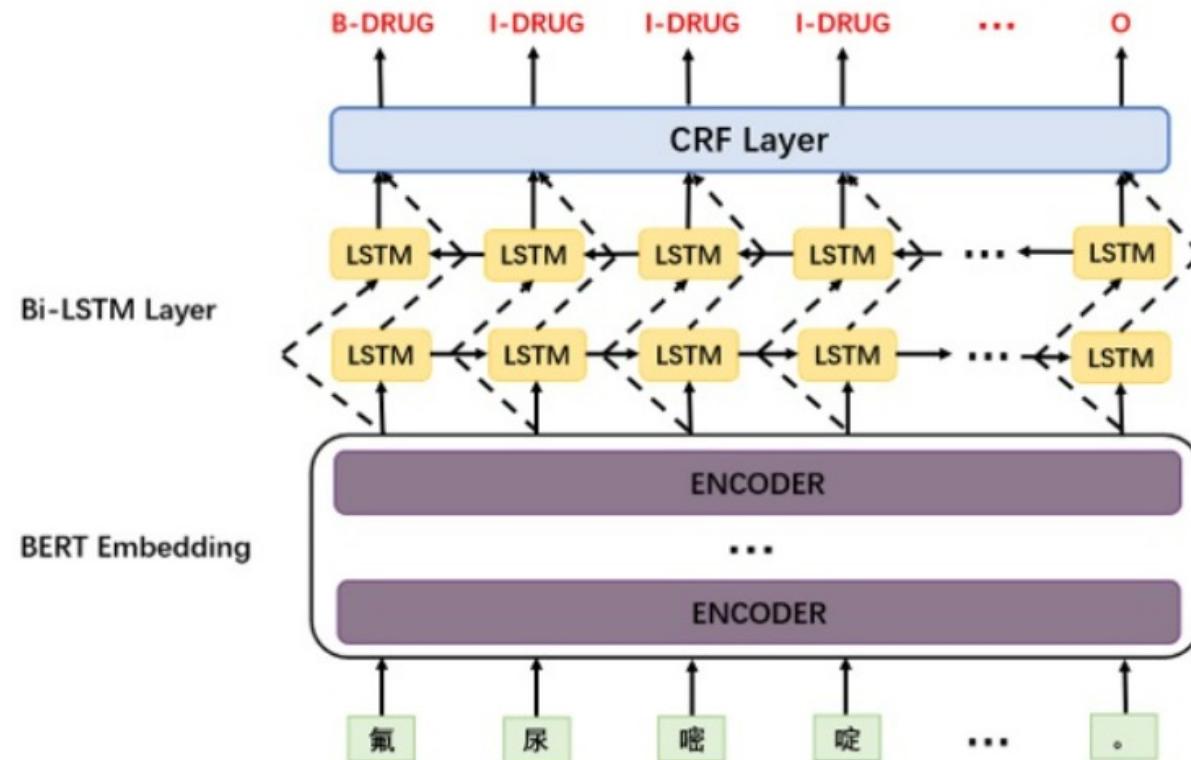


Fig 1: A brief overview of this kind of architecture

**Nested NER :** further deals with entities that can be nested with each other

One solution : Combine a flat module for outermost entities and a graph module for inner entities.

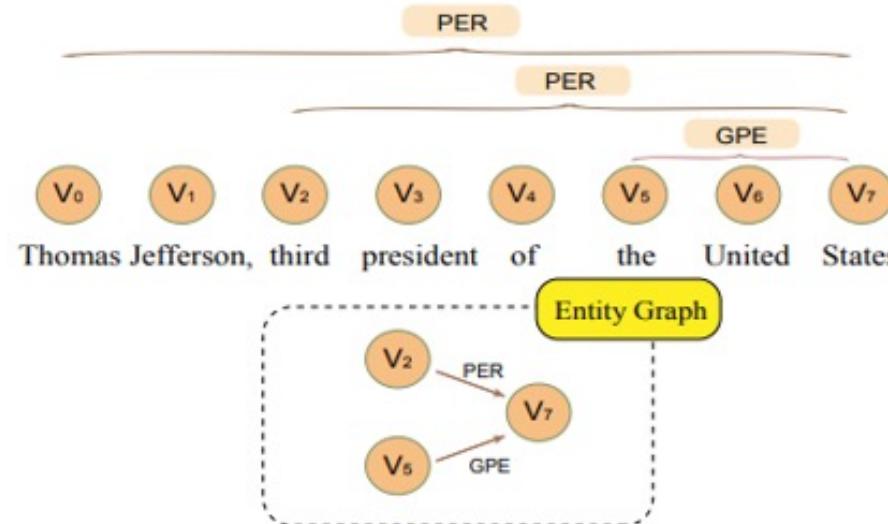


Figure 1: An example of nested named entity mentions.

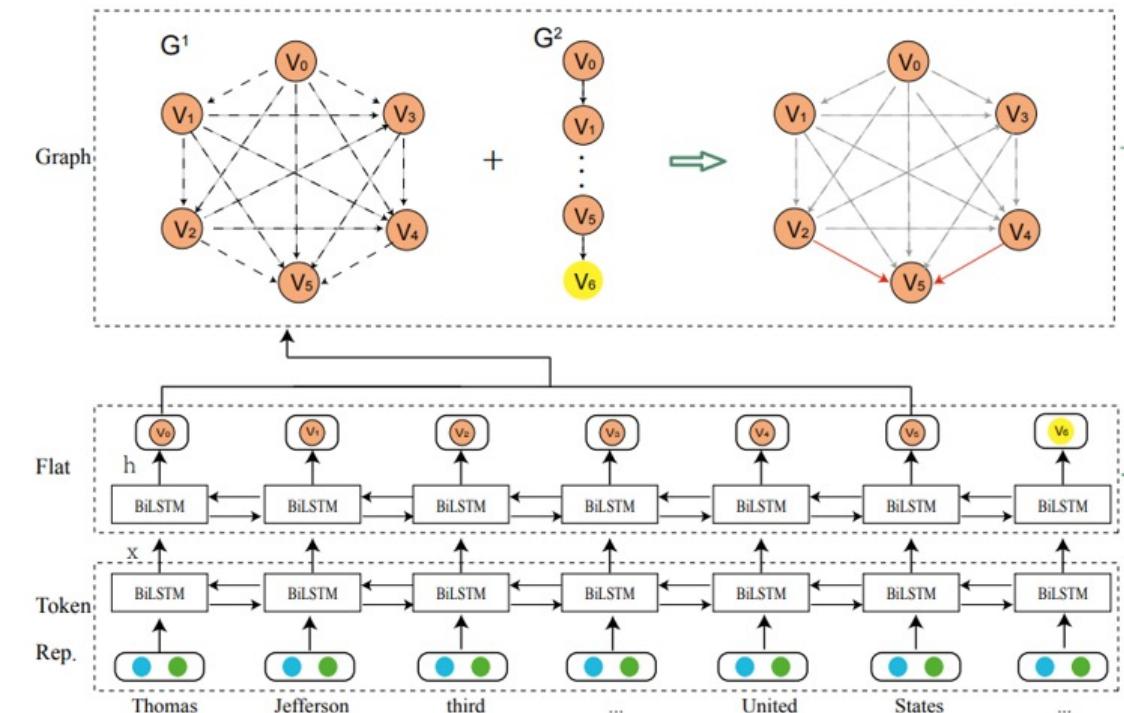


Figure 2: The framework of the BiFlaG model.

**Solutions :** Formulate the NER subtasks as an entity span sequence generation task, solved by a unified seq2seq framework.

The following is examples of three kinds of NER subtasks and their mainstream solutions respectively:

S1:	B-Per Barack	I-Per Obama	O was	O born	O in	O the	B-Loc US	Location
Person								

Figure 1: Sequence labeling for flat NER

Actions:	OUT	OUT	SHIFT	SHIFT	LEFT-REDUCE	COMPLET
S3:	have	much	muscle	pain	and	fatigue

Disorder

Figure 3: Transition-based method for discontinuous NER

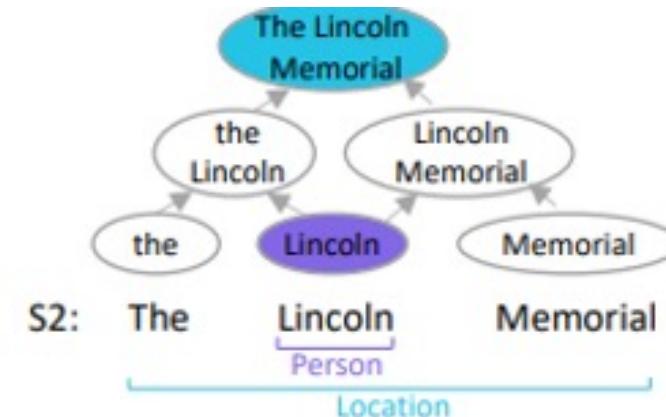


Figure 2: Span-based classification for nested NER

# Joint Flat NER and Nested NER



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## Joint Flat and Nested NER

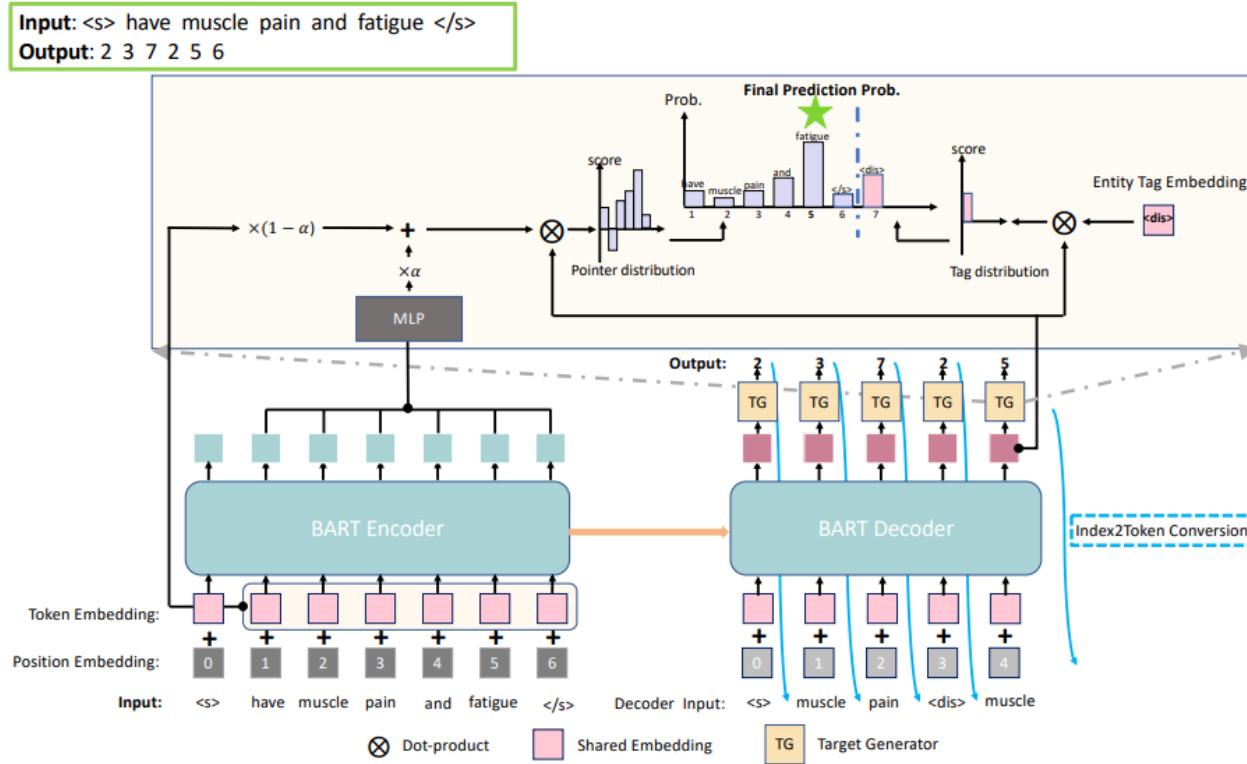


Figure 1: Model structure used in this method

## Joint Flat and Nested NER :

Problems: Sequence labeling models for flat NER are unsuitable for nested NER.

Solutions: Formulate the NER subtasks as a machine reading comprehension(MRC) task

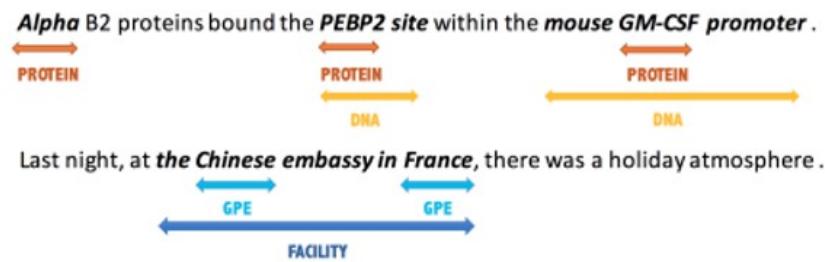


Figure 1: Examples for nested entities  
from GENIA and ACE04 corpora

for each entity  $X_{start,end}$  with a label



Entity	Natural Language Question
Location	Find locations in the text, including non-geographical locations, mountain ranges and bodies of water.
Facility	Find facilities in the text, including buildings, airports, highways and bridges.
Organization	Find organizations in the text, including companies, agencies and institutions.

Table1:Examples for transforming different  
entity categories to question queries.

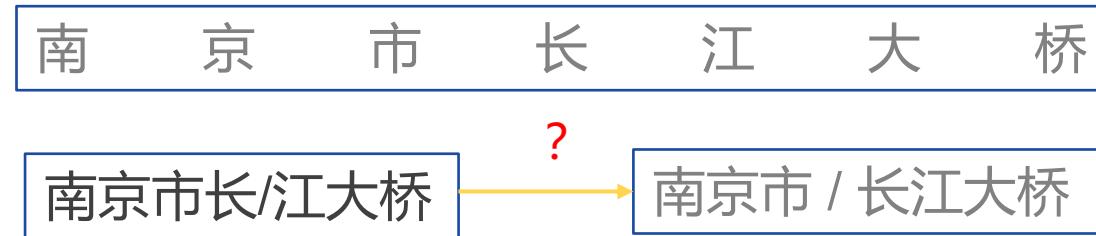


Fig 1: An example of Chinese NER

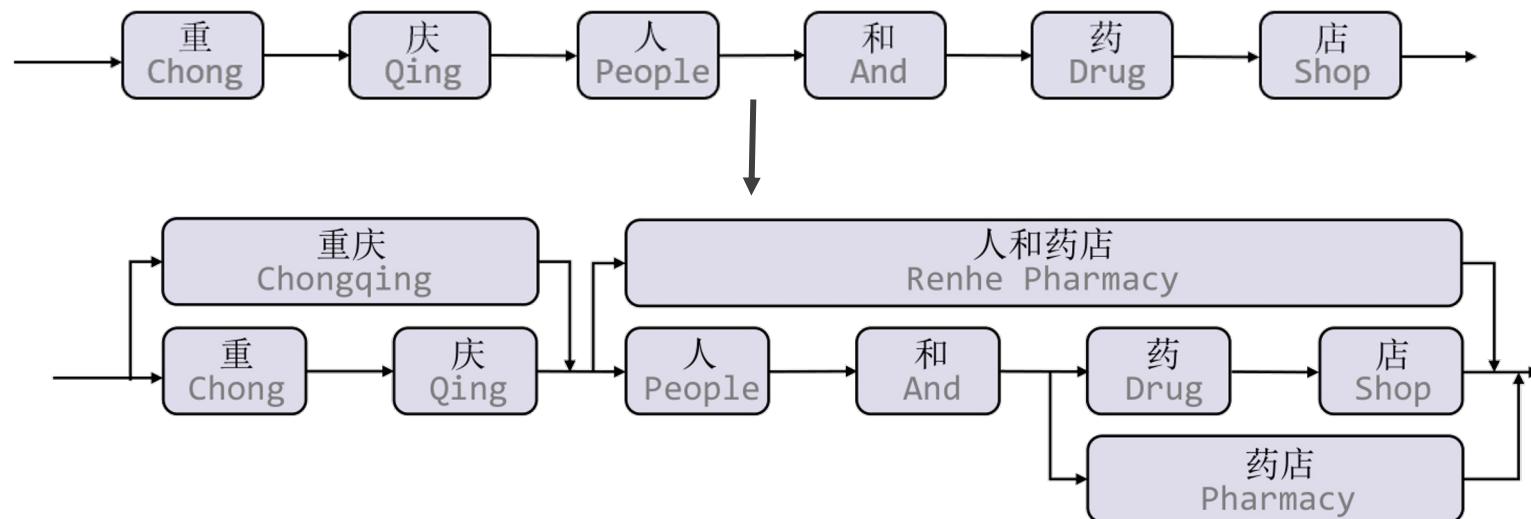


Fig 2: Lattice structure in Chinese NER

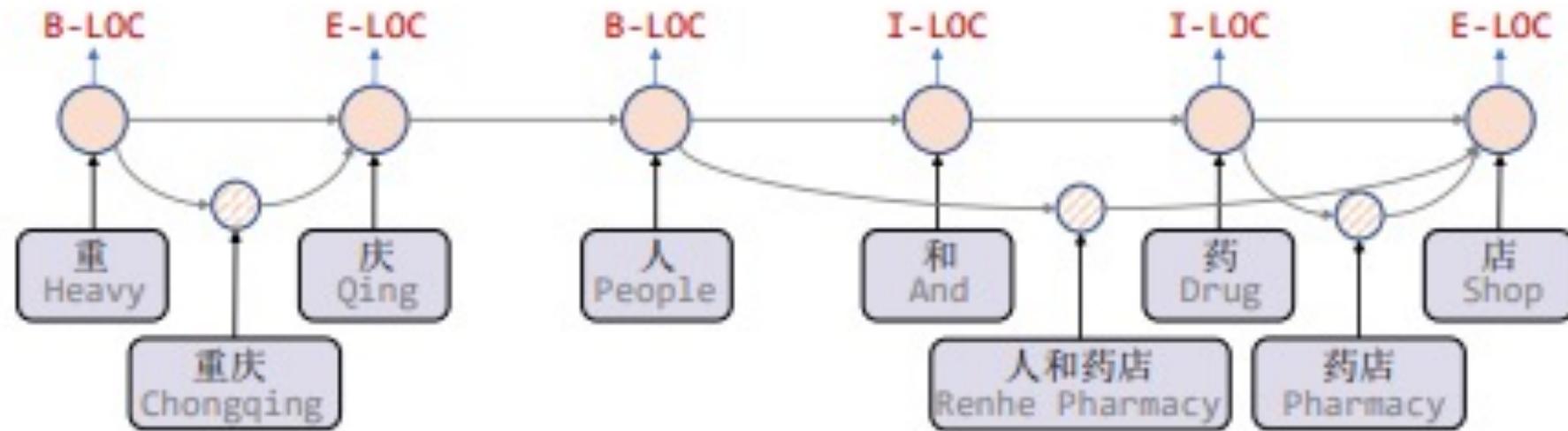


Fig 1: Lattice  
LSTM

Trend: Multi-lingual&multi-modal&mult-domain

Dataset:

Entity Type	Train	Valid.	Test	All
PATIENT_ID	3240	1276	2005	6521
PERSON_NAME	349	188	318	855
AGE	682	361	582	1625
GENDER	542	277	462	1281
OCCUPATION	205	132	173	510
LOCATION	5398	2737	4441	12576
ORGANIZATION	1137	551	771	2459
SYMPTOM&DISEASE	1439	766	1136	3341
TRANSPORTATION	226	87	193	506
DATE	2549	1103	1654	5306
# Entities in total	15767	7478	11735	34984
# Sentences in total	5027	2000	3000	10027

Table 1: Statistics of the first manually annotated Vietnamese dataset in the COVID-19 domain.

Dataset	# Train	# Dev	# Test	# Total	Language	Structure	Modality
MSRA	46,364	-	4,365	50,729	Chinese	Flat	Text
OntoNotes	15,724	4301	4,346	24,371	Chinese	Flat	Text
Weibo NER	1,350	271	270	1,891	Chinese	Flat	Text
Resume	3,821	463	477	4,761	Chinese	Flat	Text
GENIA	15,022	1,669	1,854	18,545	English	Nested	Text
JNLPBA	20,546	-	4,260	24,806	English	Nested	Text
ACE-2004	6,198	742	809	7,749	English	Nested	Text
ACE-2005	7,285	968	1,058	9,311	English	Nested	Text
Twitter-2015	4,000	1,000	3,257	8,257	English	Flat	Text + Image
Twitter-2017	3,373	723	723	4,819	English	Flat	Text + Image
CNERTA	34,102	4,440	4,445	42,987	Chinese	Nested	Text + Speech

Table 2: A comparison between CNERTA and other existing widely-used NER datasets.

COVID-19 Named Entity Recognition for Vietnamese  
(NAACL 2021)

Thinh Hung Truong et.al

A Large-Scale Chinese Multimodal NER Dataset with Speech Clues  
(AAACL 2021)

Dianbo Sui et.al

Few-shot NER exploits only a handful of annotations to identify and classify named entity mentions.

Previous work: Prototypical networks show superior performance on few-shot NER.

One problem: fail to differentiate rich semantics in other-class words.

● Predefined classes     ● Undefined classes

S<sub>1</sub>: Emeneya was born in local hospital and died in Paris  
 $O_1$        $O_3$        $O_1$

S<sub>2</sub>: Newton is a polymath. He was born in Lincolnshire.  
 $O_2$        $O_1$

S<sub>3</sub>: The professor from the city studies mathematics  
 $O_2$       (a)  $O_3$        $O_1$

Figure (a): Examples for undefined classes

Follows are the architecture of one proposed MUCO model to solve the problem.

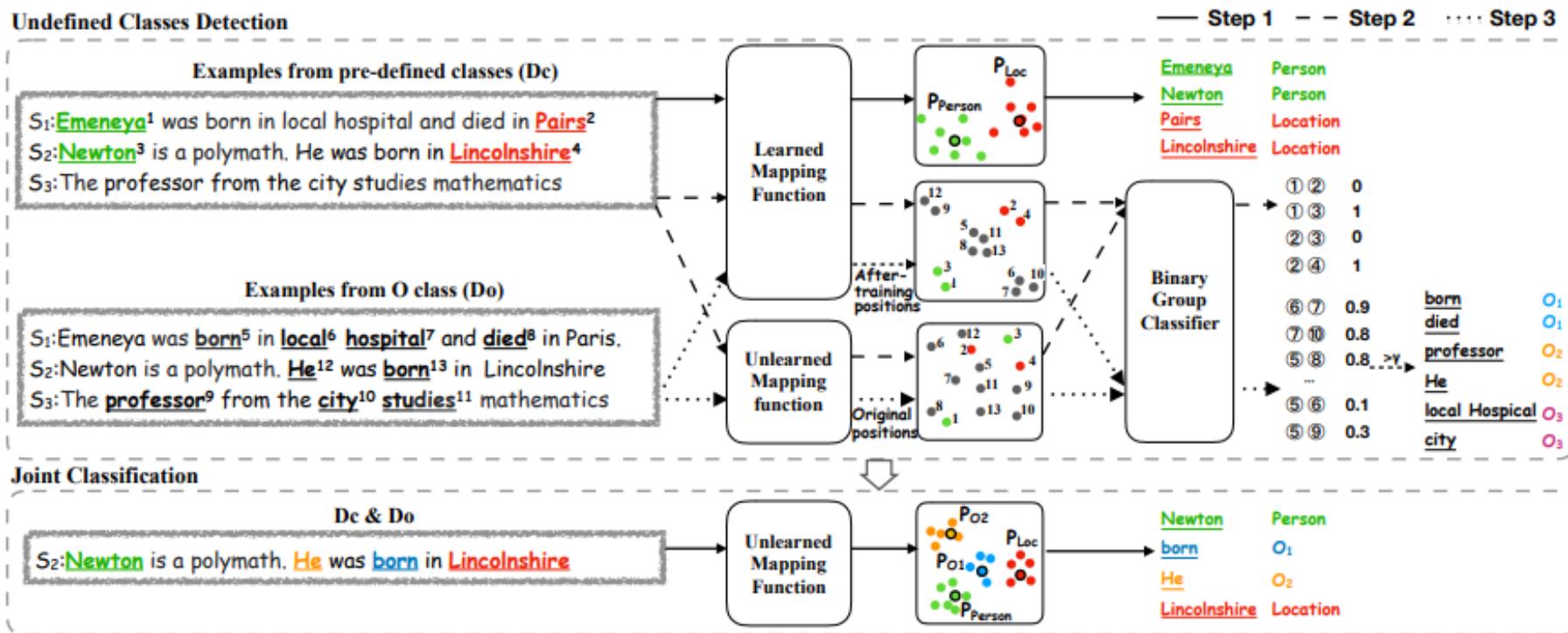


Figure 1: The architecture of the proposed MUCO model.

# Zero-shot/Few-shot NER-Prompt tuning

Future direction: zero-shot/few-shot NER

Another method:

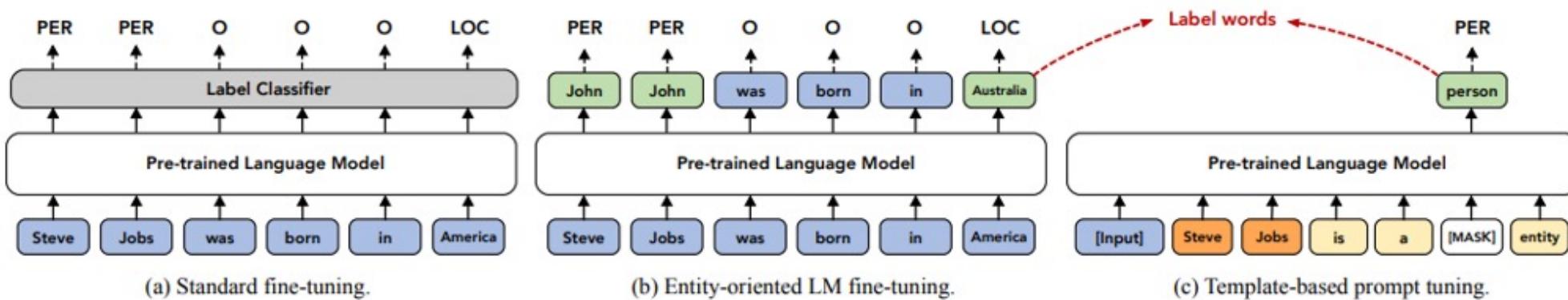


Figure 1: Comparison of different fine-tuning methods for NER.

Token-level labels are costly to annotate

One Method: Exploiting sentence-level labels, which are easy to obtain

Category: ELECTRONICS								
Title:	Óp	lưng	silicon	dẻo	Hàn	Quốc		
Label:	B-PRODUCT	E-PRODUCT	S-MATERIAL	S-PATTERN	O	O		
Translation:	case	silicon	flexible	Korea				
" ... Korean flexible silicon case ... "								
Category: HEALTH_BEAUTY								
Title:	COMBO	Gôm	xjt	tóc	Tigi	Bed		
Label:	O	B-PRODUCT	I-PRODUCT	E-PRODUCT	B-BRAND	I-BRAND		
Translation:	combo		hairspray		Tigi	Bed		
" ... Tigi Bed Head hairspray combo ... "								

Figure 1: Examples of product titles with NER annotation in Vietnamese

# Low-Resource NER: Data Augmentation



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## Another solution: Data augmentation

However, when applied to token-level tasks such as NER, data augmentation methods often suffer from token-label misalignment, which leads to unsatisfactory performance



Note: Colors indicate different token types. Examples: (1) Entity Token: European Union; (2) Label Token: <B-ORG> <I-ORG>; (3) Masked Entity: <MASK>

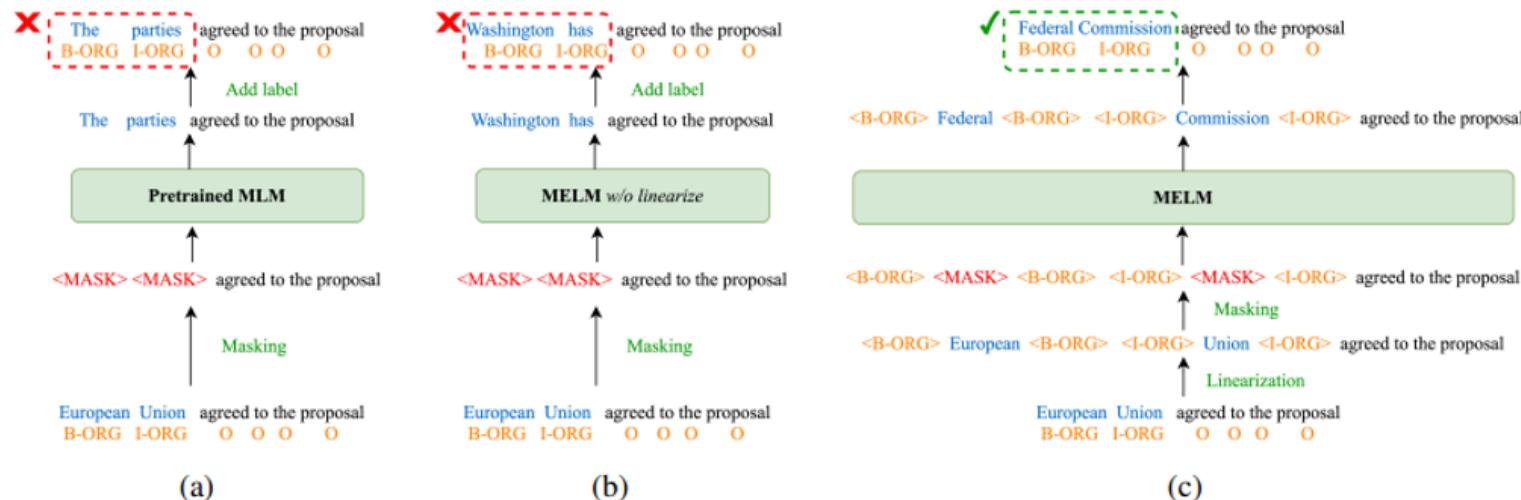


Figure 1: Comparison of different data augmentation methods, color printing is preferred.

## Recent advances :

- Pretrained models
- Different frameworks
- New ideas, new methods

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## Open problems:

- Few-shot&zero-shot NER
- Unified framework for multi-task like flat NER and Nested NER
- Model generalization to multi-domain

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# Part 2

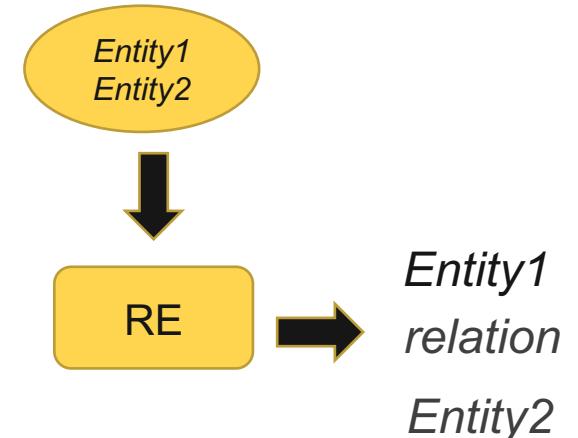
# Relation Extraction

## (RE)

# Relation Extraction

# What is Relation Extraction (RE) ?

Relation Extraction aims at extracting relational facts from plain text

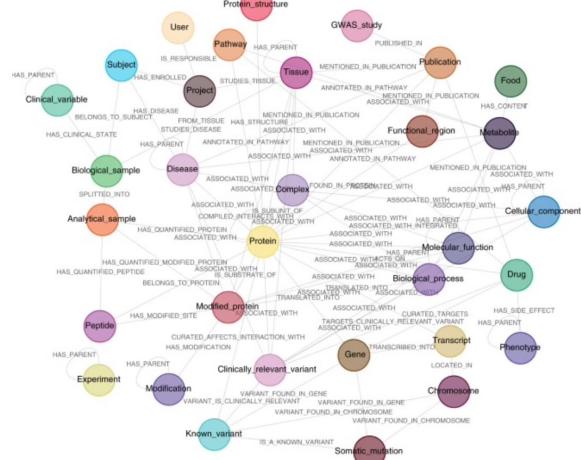


## Examples

- Steve Jobs co-founded Apple (*Apple Inc.*, founded by, *SteveJobs*)
  - Hamilton made its debut in New York, USA (*USA*, contains, *New York*)
  - In 2002, Musk was excited to become the CEO of SpaceX. (*Musk*, works for, *SpaceX*)

## Downstream Applications

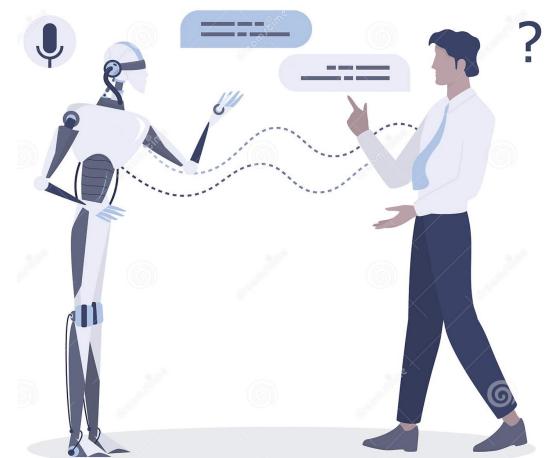
knowledge graph completion



search engine



question answering



## How to do relation extraction



**Relation Classification/Open Relationship Extraction:** Single sentence relation extraction

- Text classification model, dependency tree,...



**Distant supervise:** Pattern-based relation extraction

- Hand-Written Patterns, Semi-Supervised Learning,...



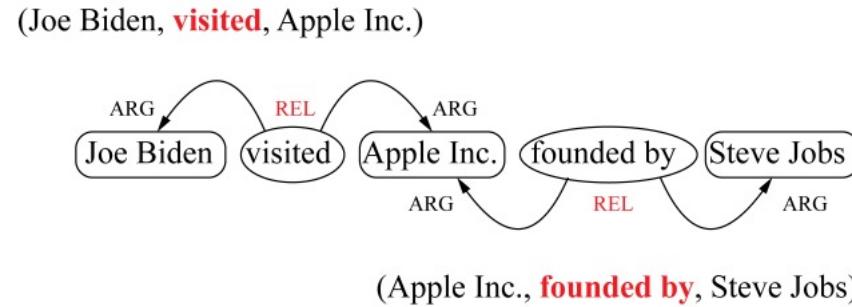
**Document-level RE:** Pre-trained model

- Bert, Roberta, ...

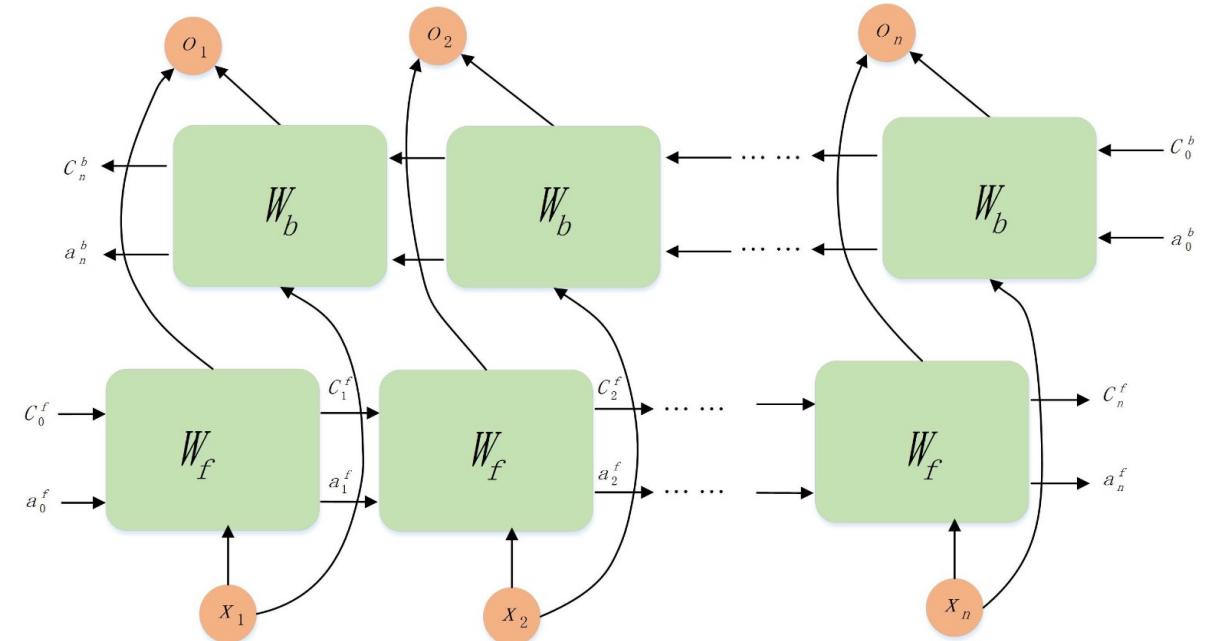
Future Work : Low-shot / continual Learning

- Open Relation Extraction : extracting structured relation representations from text sentences .

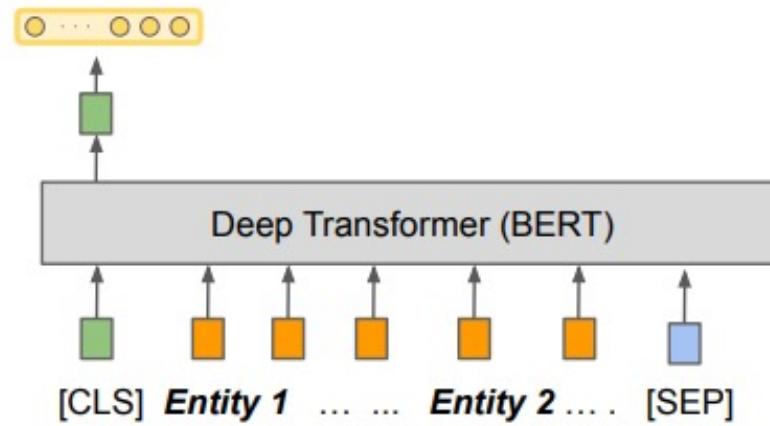
Example :



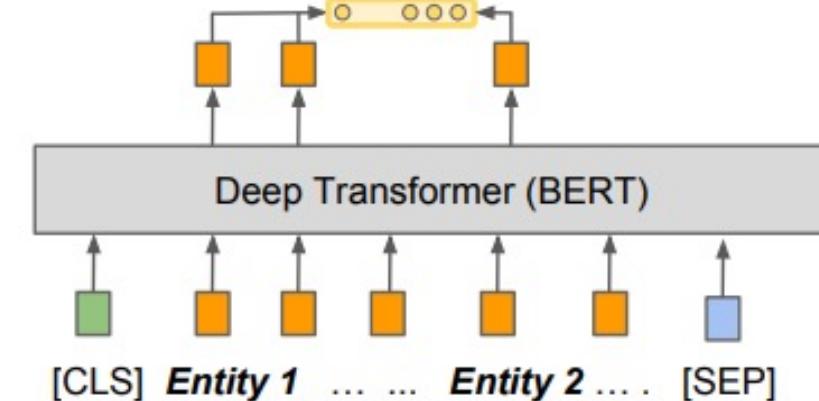
Model :



- Single sentence classification : Two entities in the same sentence.
- General text classification model + position information ( Pretrain model)



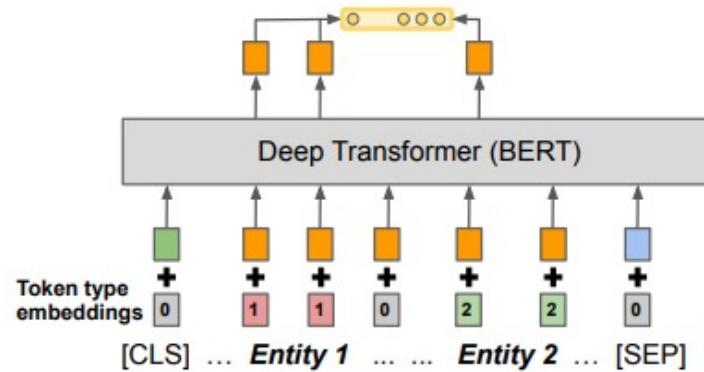
Baseline : (General text classification model)



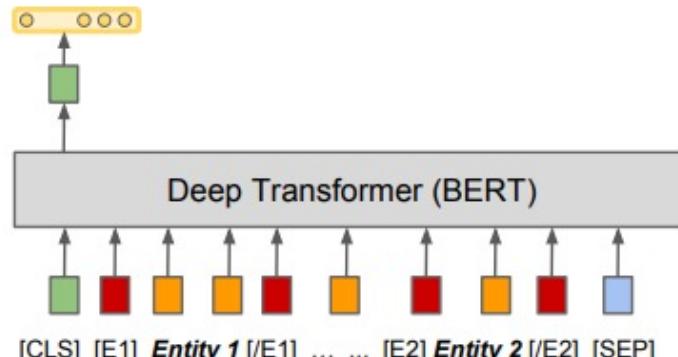
Mention pooling (max pooling)

# Relation Extraction

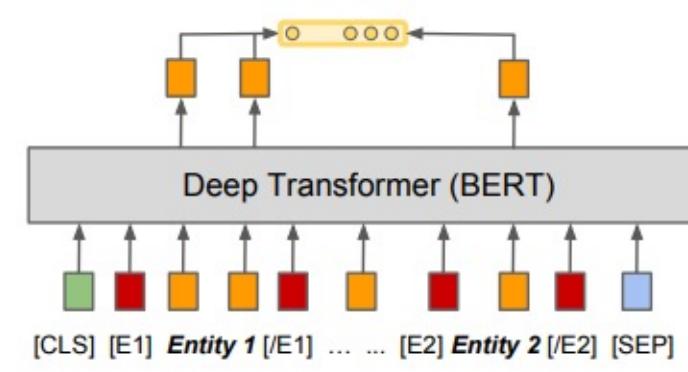
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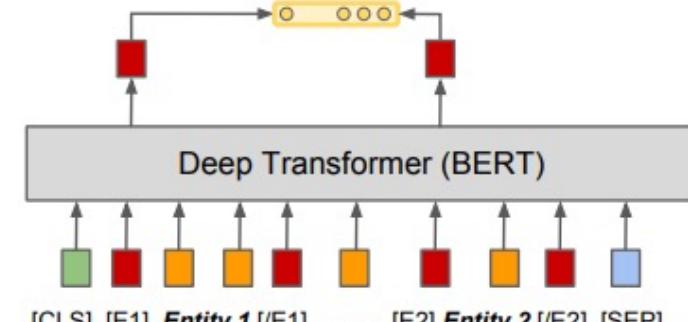
Position Embedding + Word



Position Embedding + Entity Markers



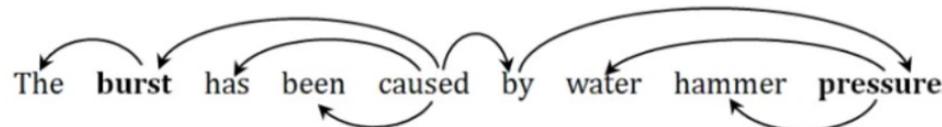
Entity embedding mention pooling



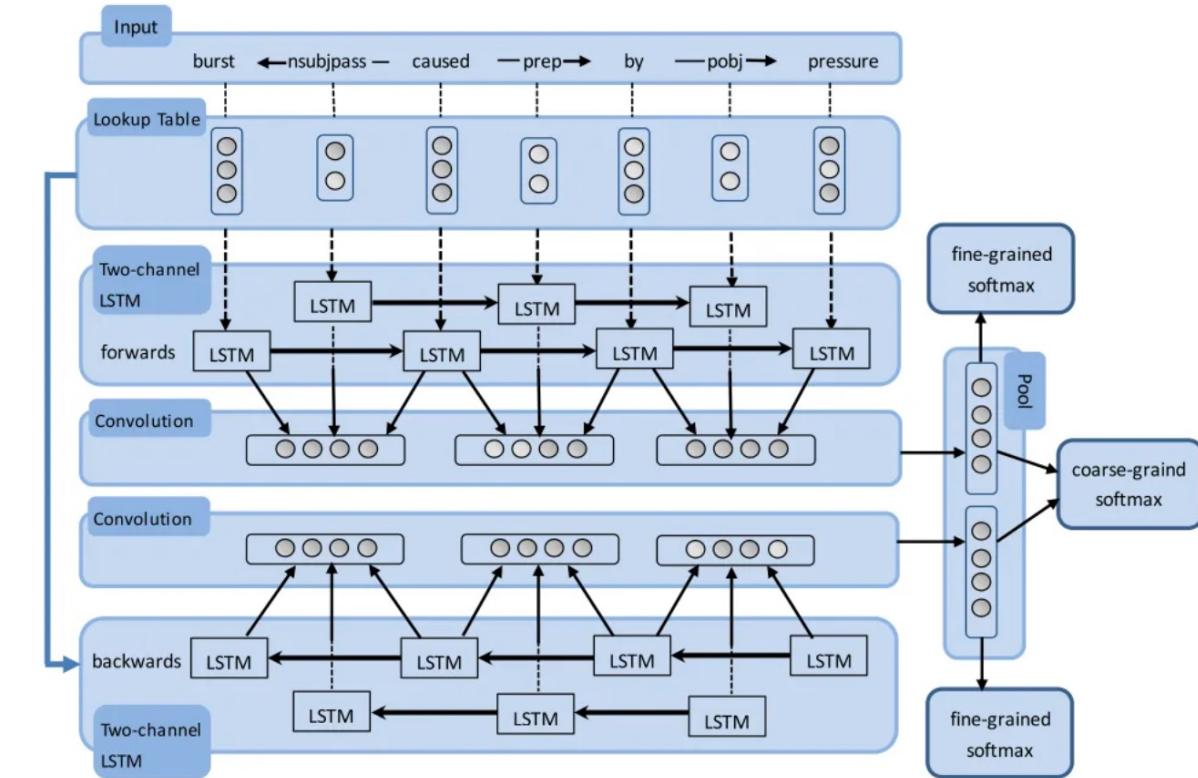
Token embedding mention pooling

## □ Relation classification – dependency tree

Sentence --> Syntax dependency tree --> SDP  
 ( Shortest Dependency Path )



Relation	Shortest Dependency Path
Cause-Effect( $e_2, e_1$ )	burst ← nsubjpass — caused — prep → by — pobj → pressure
Cause-Effect( $e_1, e_2$ )	pressure ← pobj — by ← prep — caused — nsubjpass → burst



- Distant Supervise :

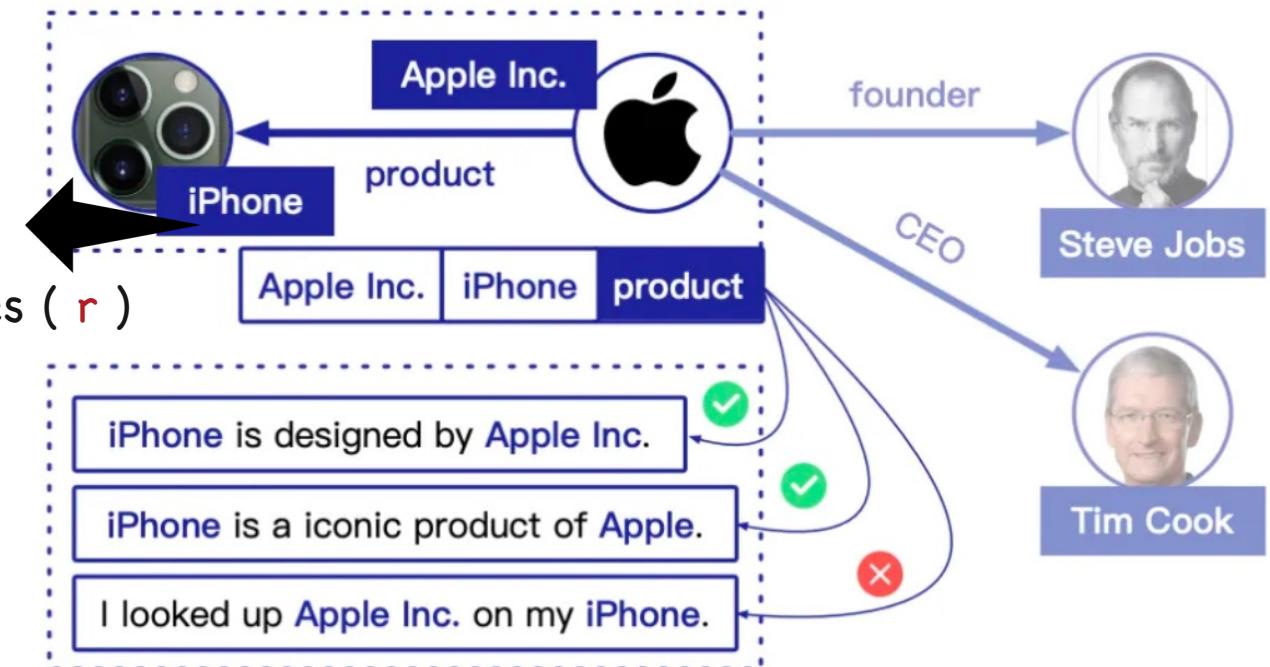
Use for : ( Data generation / Relation extraction )

- Two entities in the same sentence (  $e_1$  ,  $e_2$  )

- A relation exists in the KG between two entities (  $r$  )



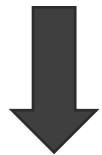
$< e_1 - r - e_2 >$



- Distant Supervise : *Distant supervision for relation extraction without labeled data*
- Based on trigger words



In 1997 Steve was excited to become the CEO of Apple.



Trigger-word  
extraction

Word category : Job  
Trigger word : CEO

Feature extraction



Element extraction

Company : Apple  
Person : Steve  
Job : CEO

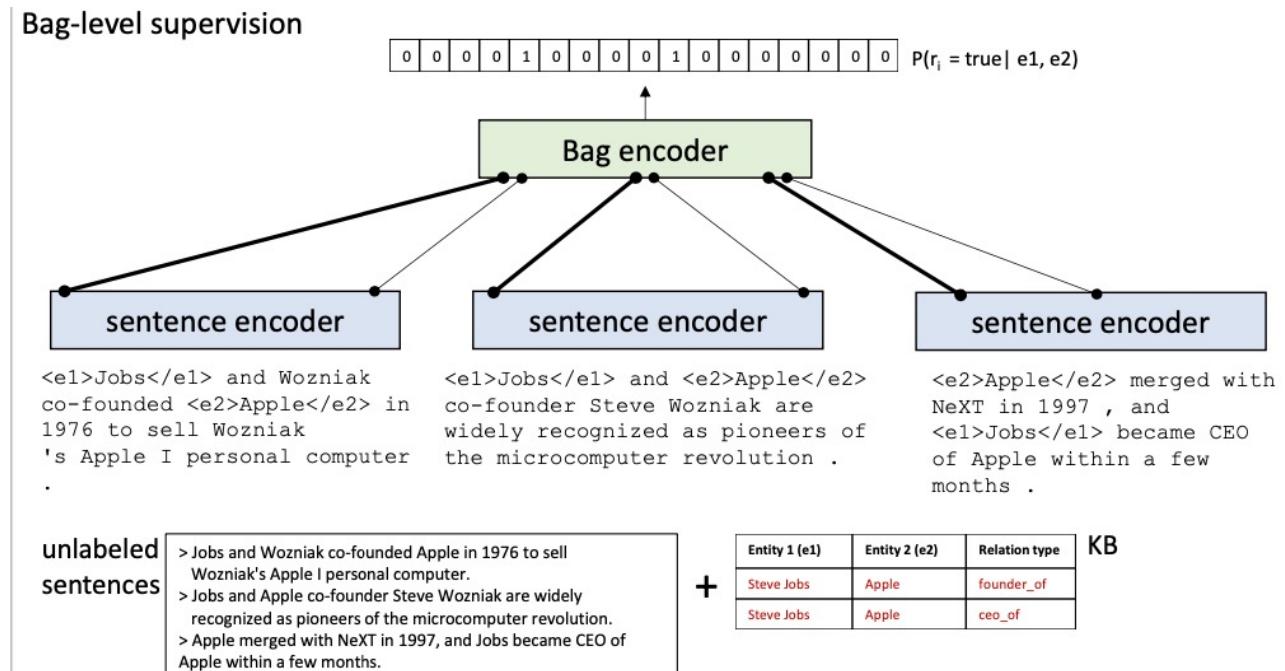
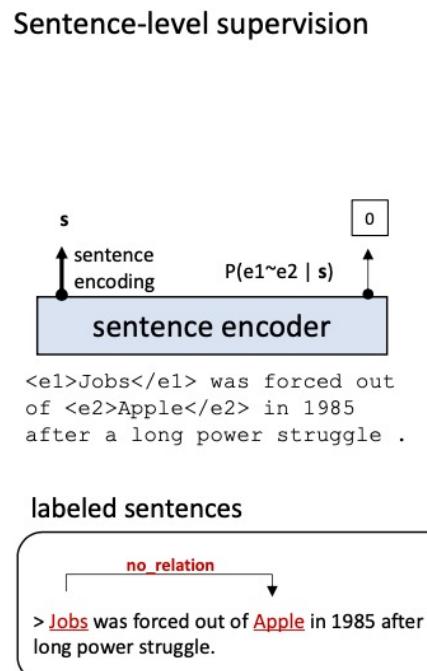
□ Distant Supervised RE :



Challenges : imbalanced data / noisy labels



Approaches : combining the distant supervision data with an additional directly-supervised data



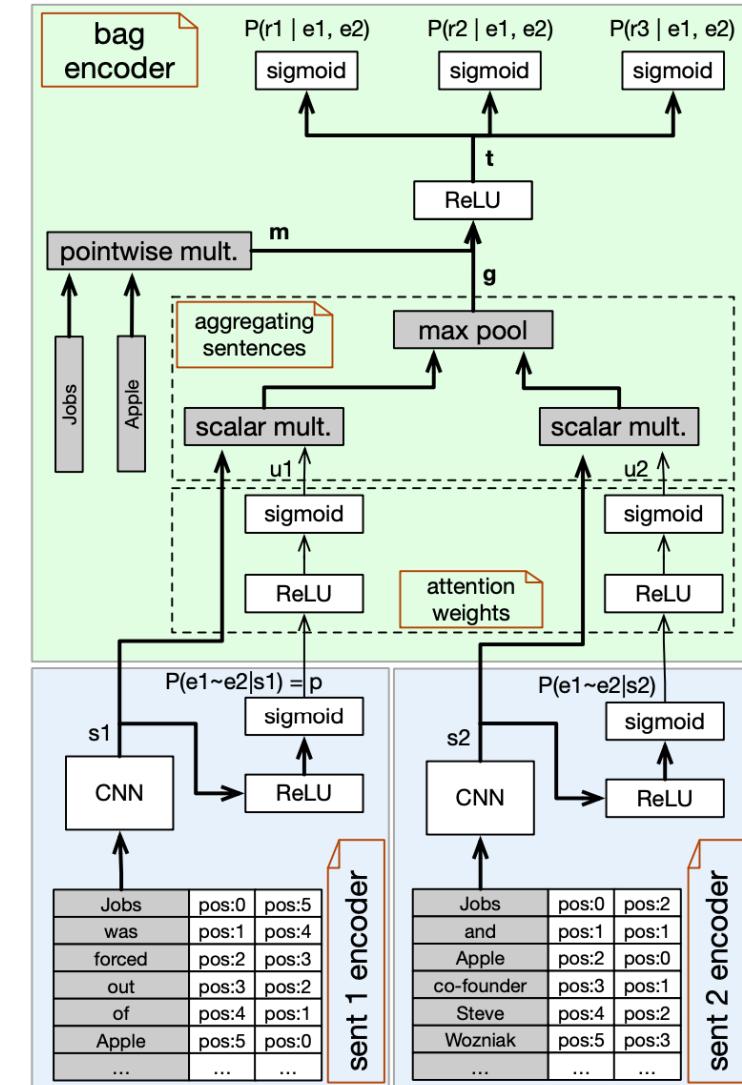
# Relation Extraction

- Distant Supervised RE :

direct  
supervision  
data



- Optimized by direct supervision data
- Optimized by weights calculated from the supervision data



- ❑ Document - level relation extraction

**Challenges :**

- ❑ Entity disambiguation
- ❑ long distance dependency
- ❑ relation reasoning
- ❑ ...

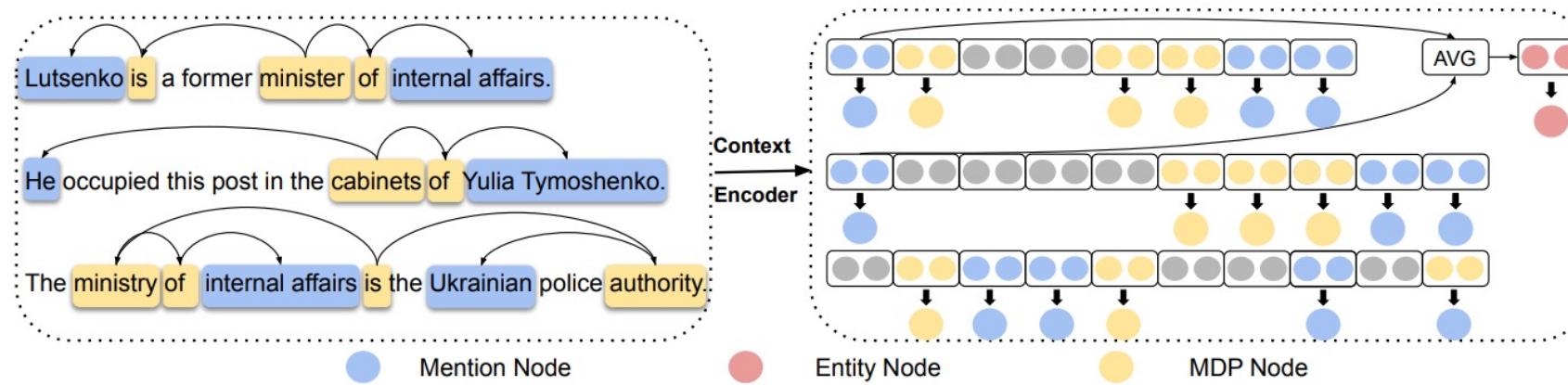


Here entity Lutsenko has two mentions: Lutsenko and He. Mentions corresponding to the same entity are highlighted with the same color

## □ Document-level relation extraction

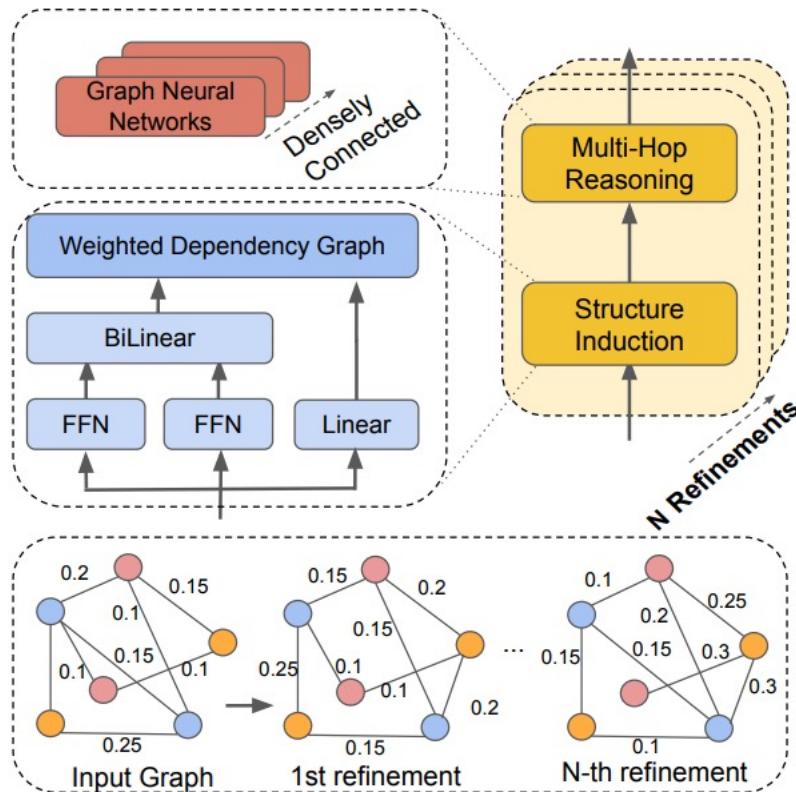
Approach : treats the graph structure as a latent variable

### Node Constructor



## □ Document-level relation extraction

### Dynamic Reasoner



Model	Dev				Test	
	Ign F1	F1	Intra-F1	Inter-F1	Ign F1	F1
CNN (Yao et al., 2019)	41.58	43.45	51.87*	37.58*	40.33	42.26
LSTM (Yao et al., 2019)	48.44	50.68	56.57*	41.47*	47.71	50.07
BiLSTM (Yao et al., 2019)	48.87	50.94	57.05*	43.49*	48.78	51.06
ContexAware (Yao et al., 2019)	<b>48.94</b>	51.09	56.74*	42.26*	48.40	50.70
GCNN ♠ (Sahu et al., 2019)	46.22	51.52	57.78	44.11	49.59	51.62
EoG ♠ (Christopoulou et al., 2019)	45.94	52.15	58.90	44.60	49.48	51.82
GAT ♠ (Veličković et al., 2018)	45.17	51.44	58.14	43.94	47.36	49.51
AGGCN ♠ (Guo et al., 2019a)	46.29	52.47	58.76	45.45	48.89	51.45
GloVe+LSR	48.82	<b>55.17</b>	<b>60.83</b>	<b>48.35</b>	<b>52.15</b>	<b>54.18</b>
BERT (Wang et al., 2019)	-	54.16	61.61*	47.15*	-	53.20
Two-Phase BERT (Wang et al., 2019)	-	54.42	61.80*	47.28*	-	53.92
BERT+LSR	<b>52.43</b>	<b>59.00</b>	<b>65.26</b>	<b>52.05</b>	<b>56.97</b>	<b>59.05</b>

# Relation Extraction: Low shot learning

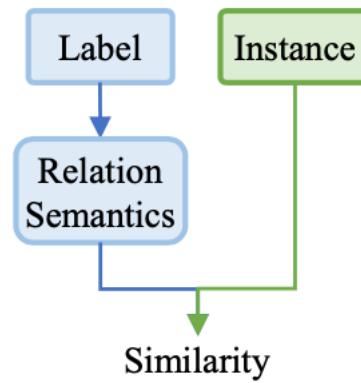


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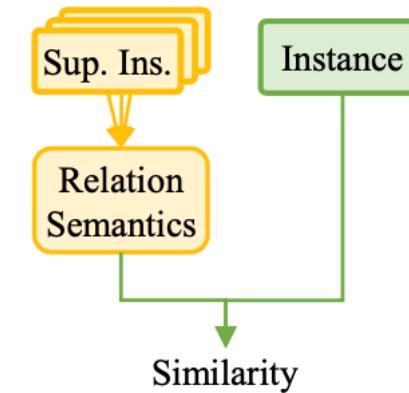
## ❑ Future work : Low-shot Learning

Low-shot relation extraction (RE) aims to recognize novel relations with very few or even no samples,

### ❑ Zero-shot

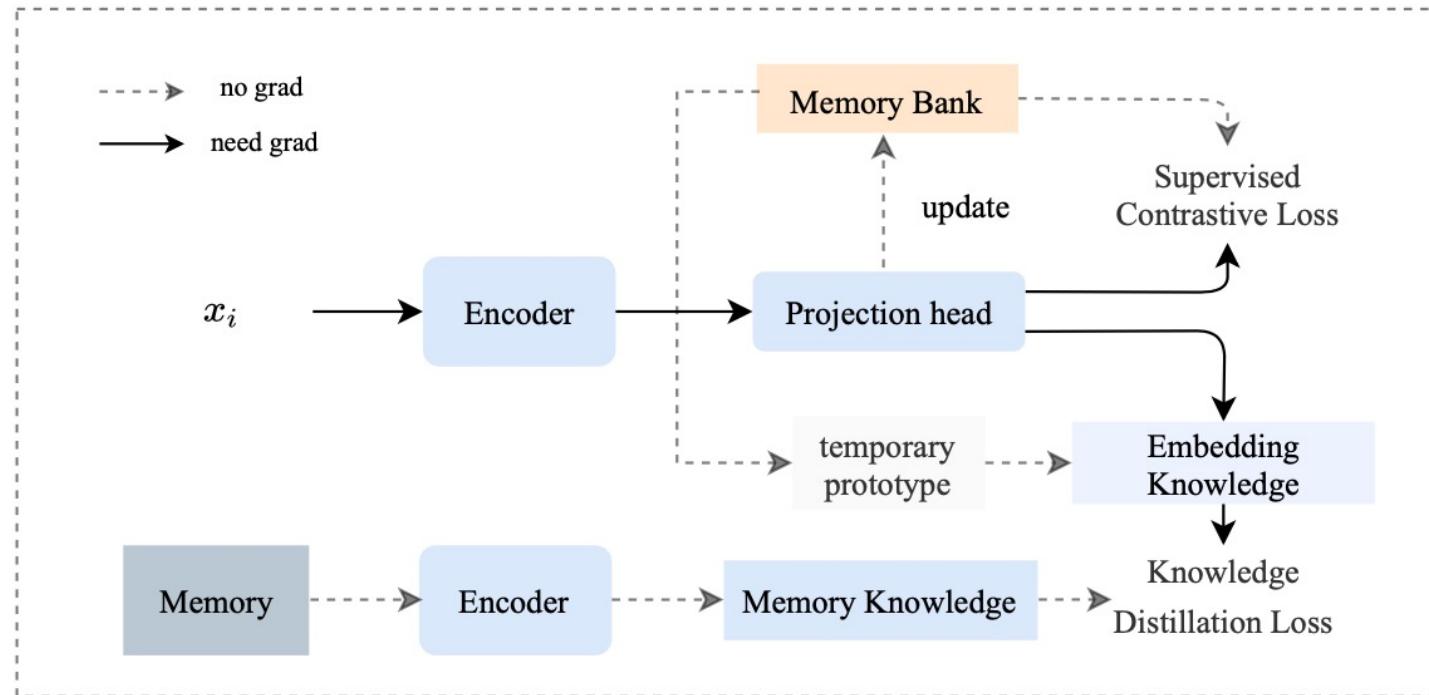


### ❑ Few-shot



## □ Future work : continual learning

Continual relation extraction (CRE) aims to continuously train a model on data with new relations while avoiding forgetting old ones.



- Recent advances

- The use of super large scale pre-training model
- Significant progress has been made in simple relation extraction

- Future works

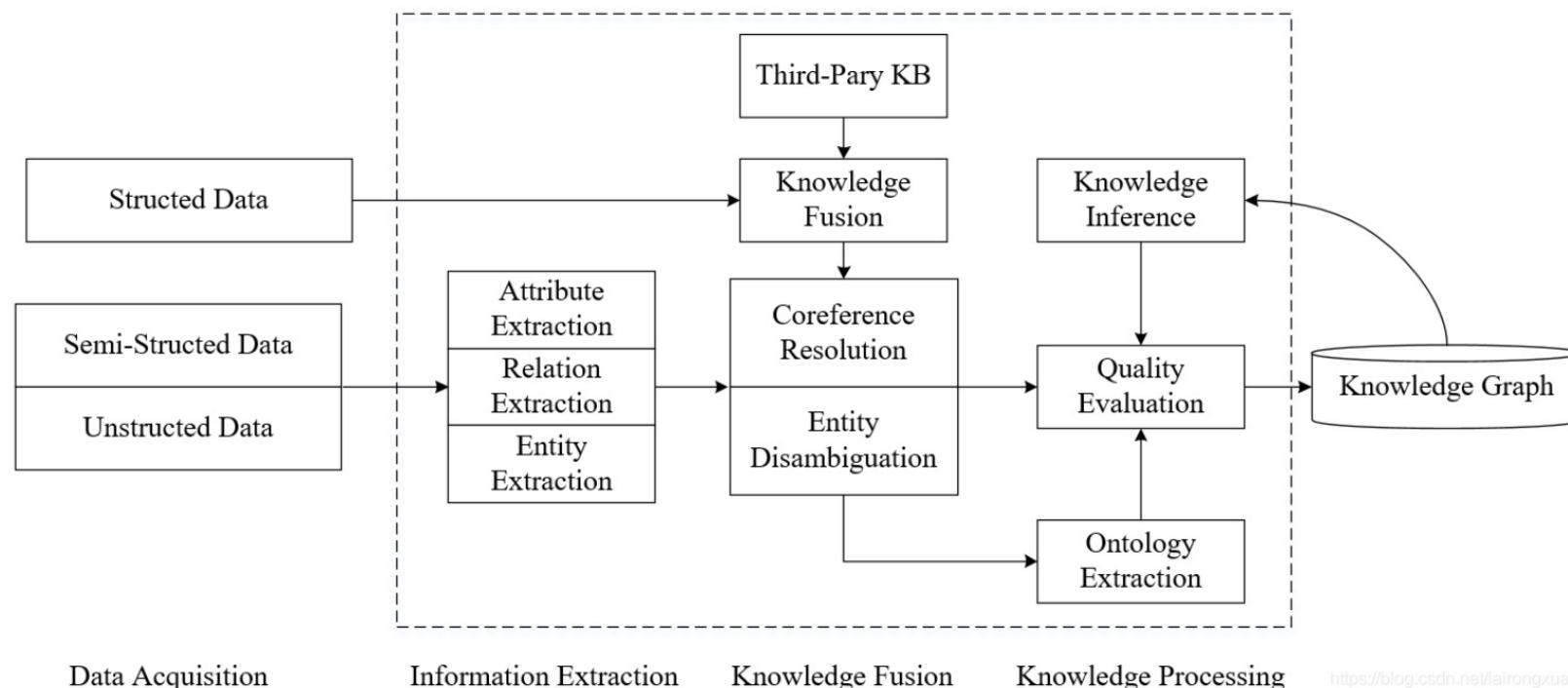
- The performance of relation extraction in complex scenarios needs to be improved
- Low-shot learning and continual learning

## Part 3

# Knowledge Graph Construction (KGC)

## What is Knowledge Graph (KG) ?

The knowledge graph is a relational network obtained by connecting all kinds of information.



## □ How to construct Knowledge Graph (KG) ?

### Data Acquisition :

structure data,  
non-structure data,  
semi-structure data



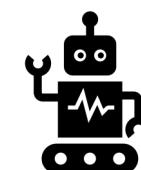
### Information Extraction :

NER  
RE



### Knowledge Processing :

Ontology Extraction  
Knowledge Inference  
Quality Evaluation



### Knowledge Fusion :

Coreference Resolution  
Entity Disambiguation  
Entity Linking



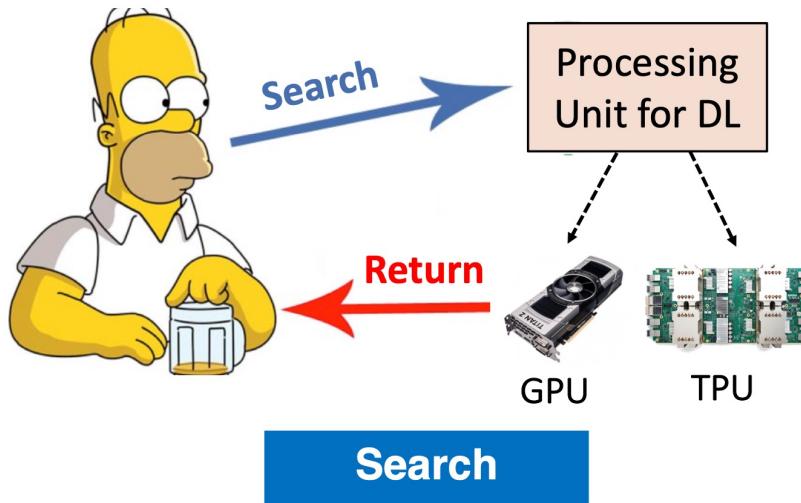
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## ❑ Knowledge Graph Applications

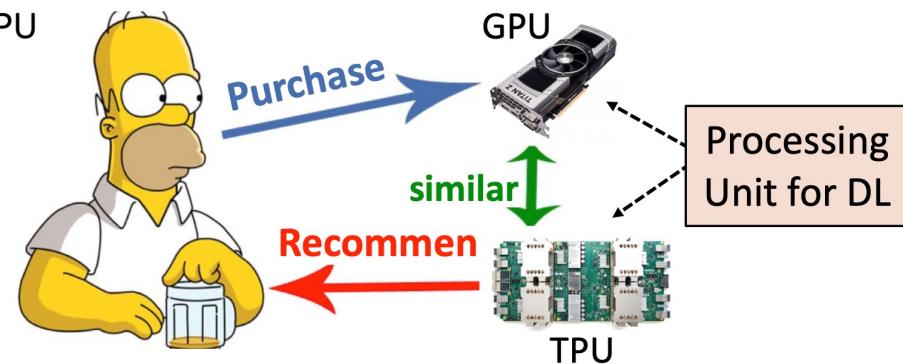
Search Engine



Search

Recommended System

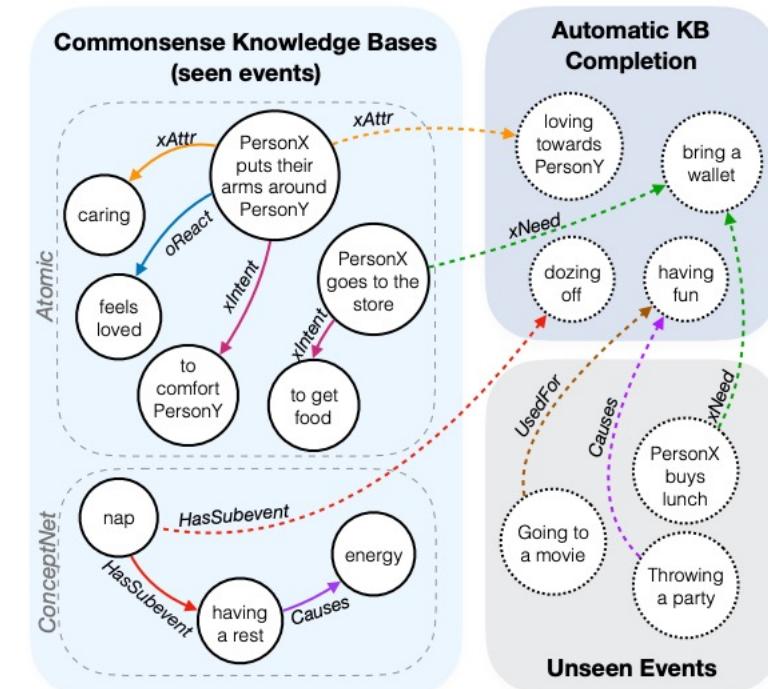
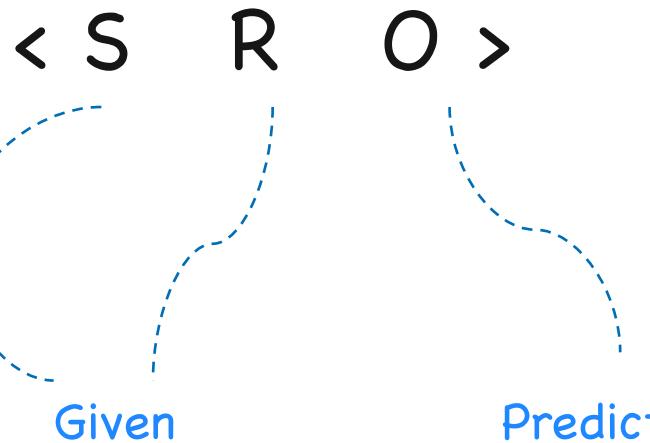
Recommendation



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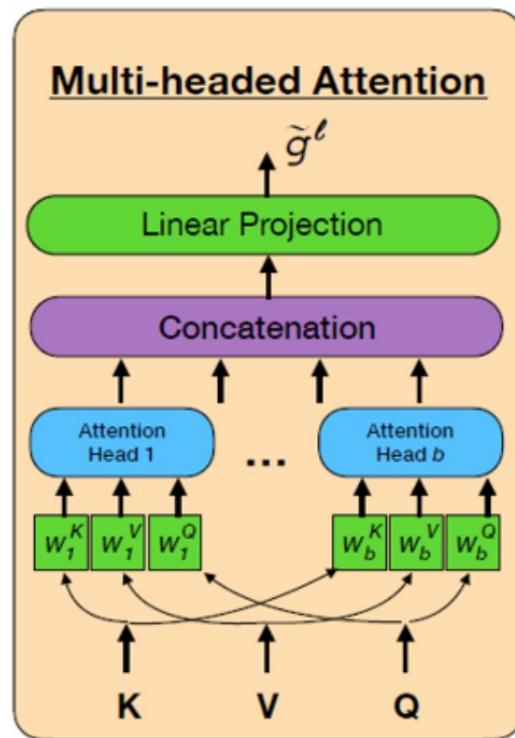
## □ Automatic Knowledge Graph Construction

Existing language tuple

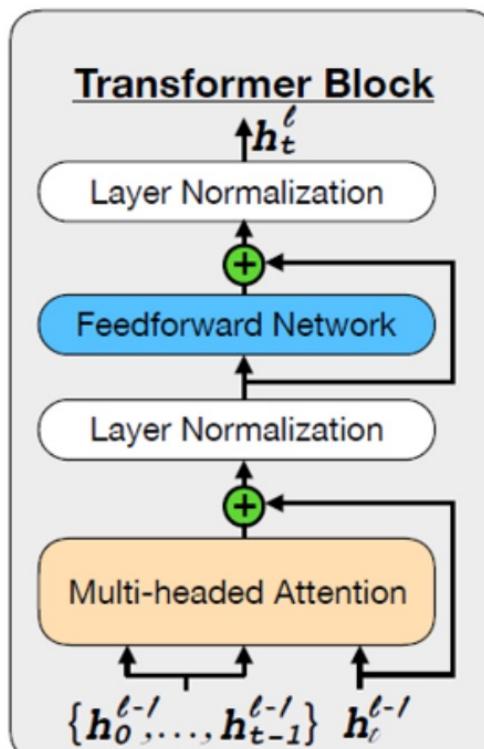


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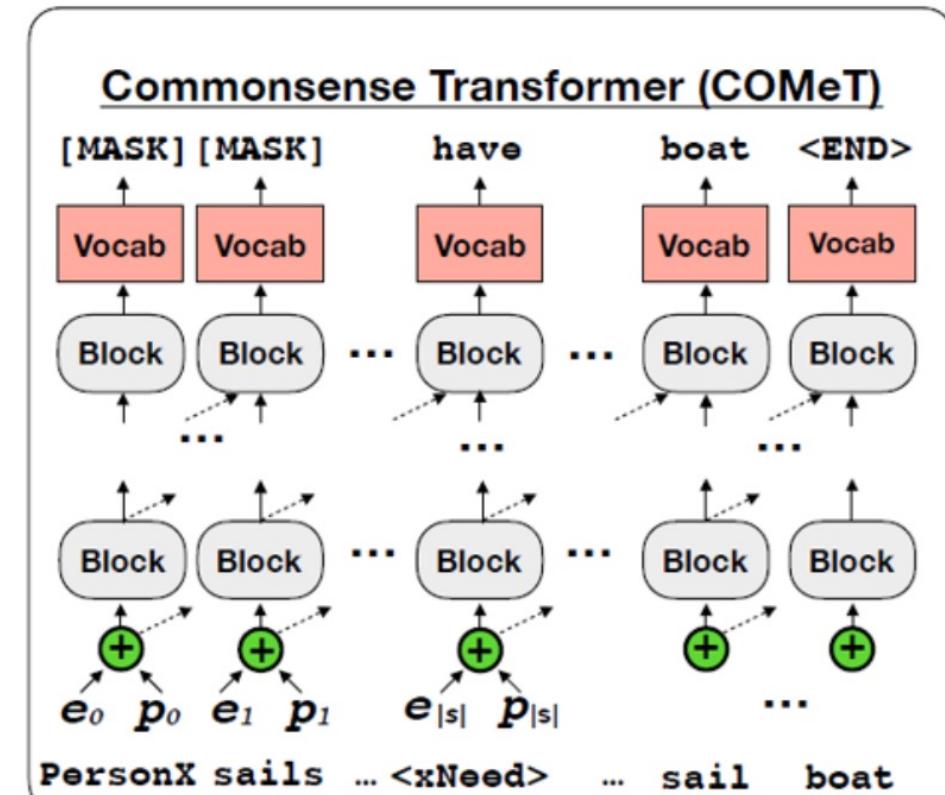
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(a)



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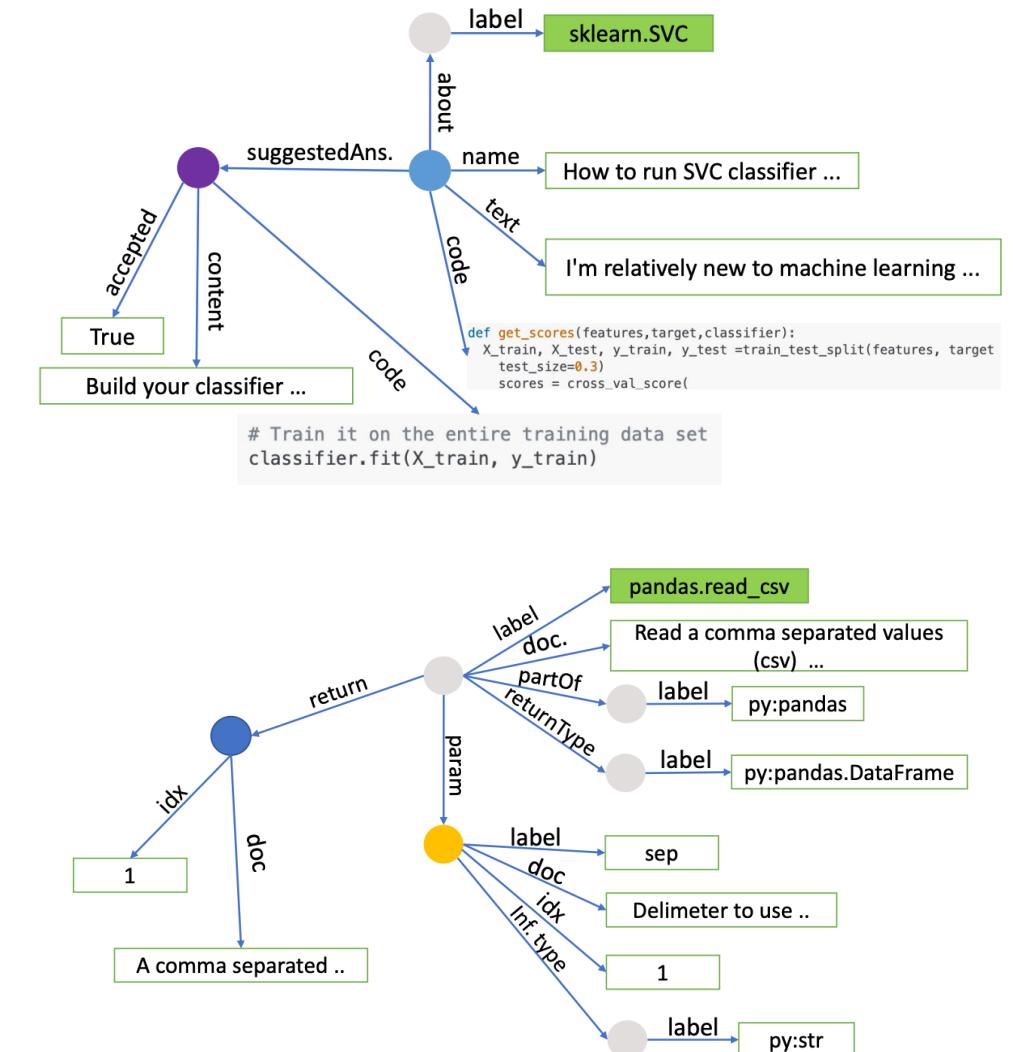
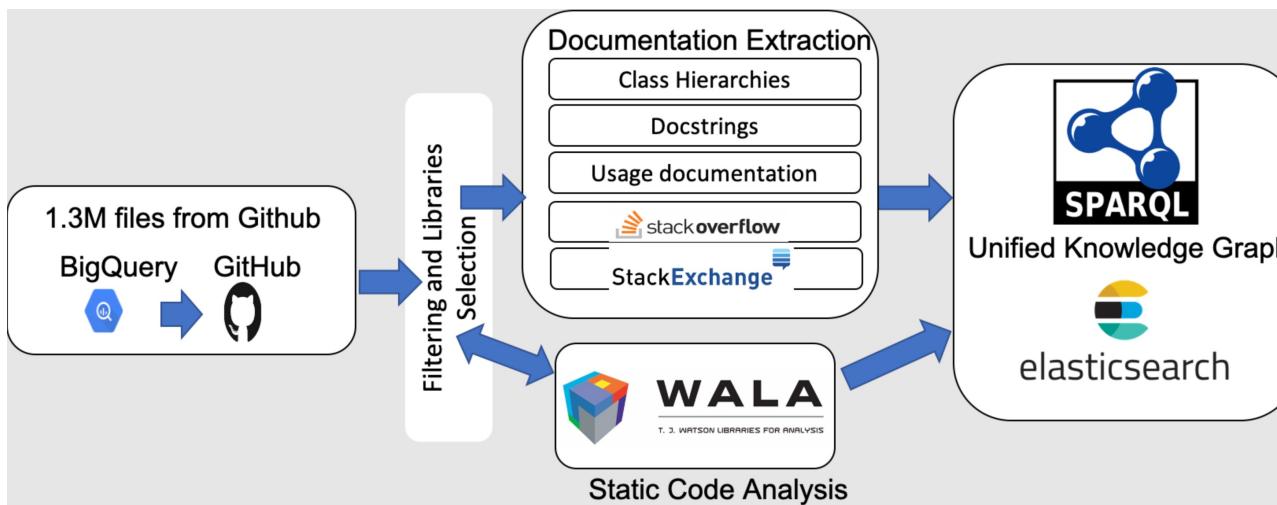


(c)

# Knowledge Graph Construction

## Resource Applications and Toolkits

### Pipeline



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## Resource Applications and Toolkits

```
data = pd.read_csv("../input/chinese_liver_patient.csv",
...                  low_memory=False)

train, test = train_test_split(X, y, test_size=0.3,
...                               random_state=0, stratify=data['Dataset'])

train_X = train[train.columns[:len(train.columns)-1]]
train_Y = train['Dataset']
test_X = test[test.columns[:len(test.columns)-1]]
test_Y = test['Dataset']

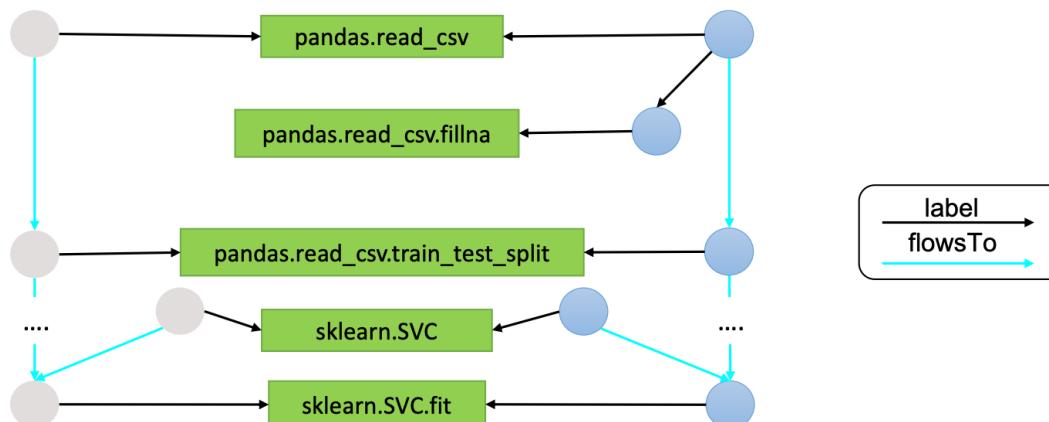
clf_svm_radial_basis=SVC(kernel=1.0 * RBF(1.0), random_state=0)
model = clf_svm_radial_basis.fit(train_X, train_Y)
```

```
data = pd.read_csv("../input/indian_liver_patient.csv",
...                  low_memory=False)
data.fillna(method="ffill")

X = data[data.columns[:len(data.columns)-1]]
Y = data['Dataset']

train_X, test_X, train_Y, test_Y = train_test_split(X, y,
...                                                   test_size=0.3, random_state=0, stratify=data['Dataset'])

model=SVC(kernel='rbf', random_state=0)
model.fit(train_X, train_Y)
```



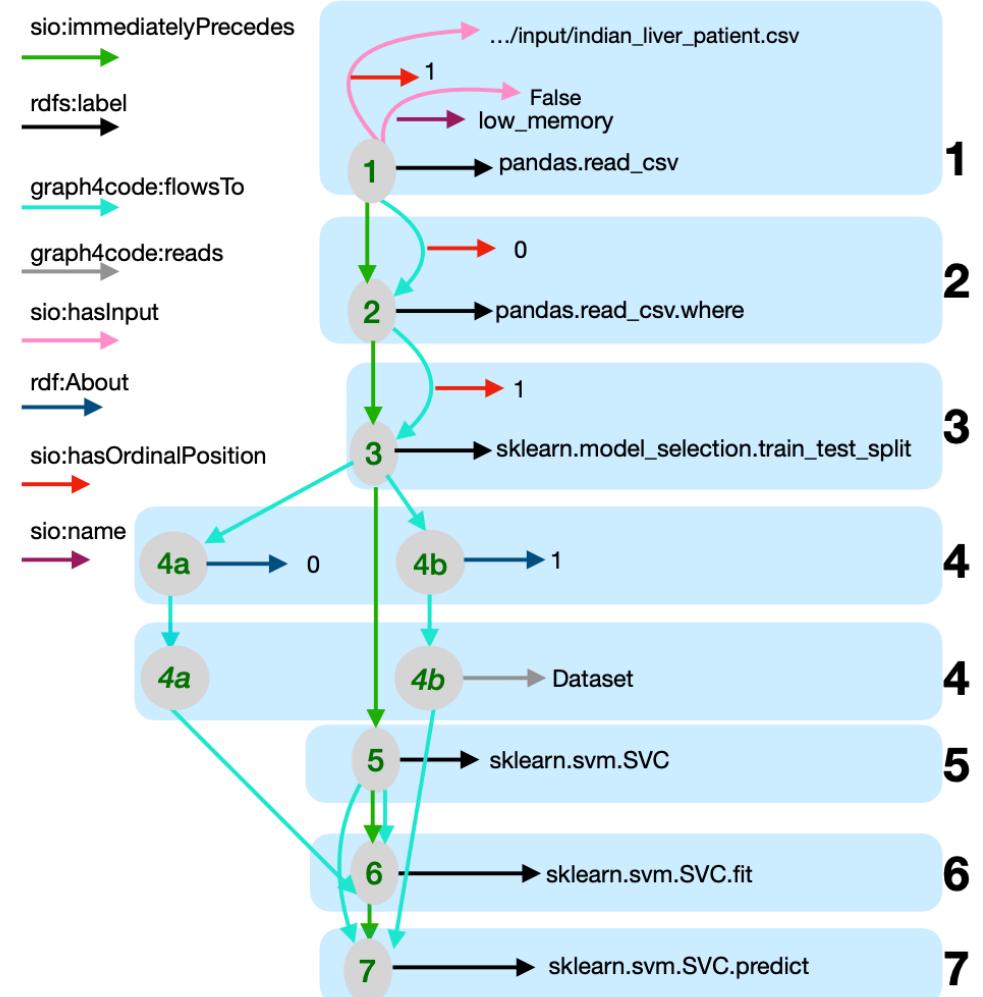
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## Resource Applications and Toolkits

```
data = pd.read_csv("../input/indian_liver_patient.csv", low_memory=False)
data = data.where(pd.notnull(data), data.median(), axis='columns')
train, test = train_test_split(my_df,
                               test_size = 0.3,
                               random_state = 0,
                               stratify = my_df['Dataset'])

train_X = train[train.columns[:len(train.columns)-1]]
test_X = test[test.columns[:len(test.columns)-1]]
train_Y = train['Dataset']
test_Y = test['Dataset']

model = svm.SVC(kernel='linear', random_state=0)
model.fit(train_X,train_Y)
prediction = model.predict(test_X)
```



## □ Recent advances

- Automatic acquisition of knowledge
- Automatic fusion of multi-source knowledge
- Knowledge oriented expressive learning
- Knowledge reasoning and application

## □ Future works

- Data acquisition
- Model performance