

# The Graph Hawkes Neural Network for Forecasting on Temporal Knowledge Graphs

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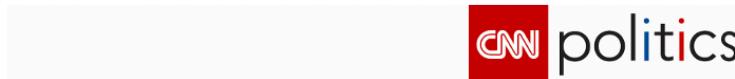
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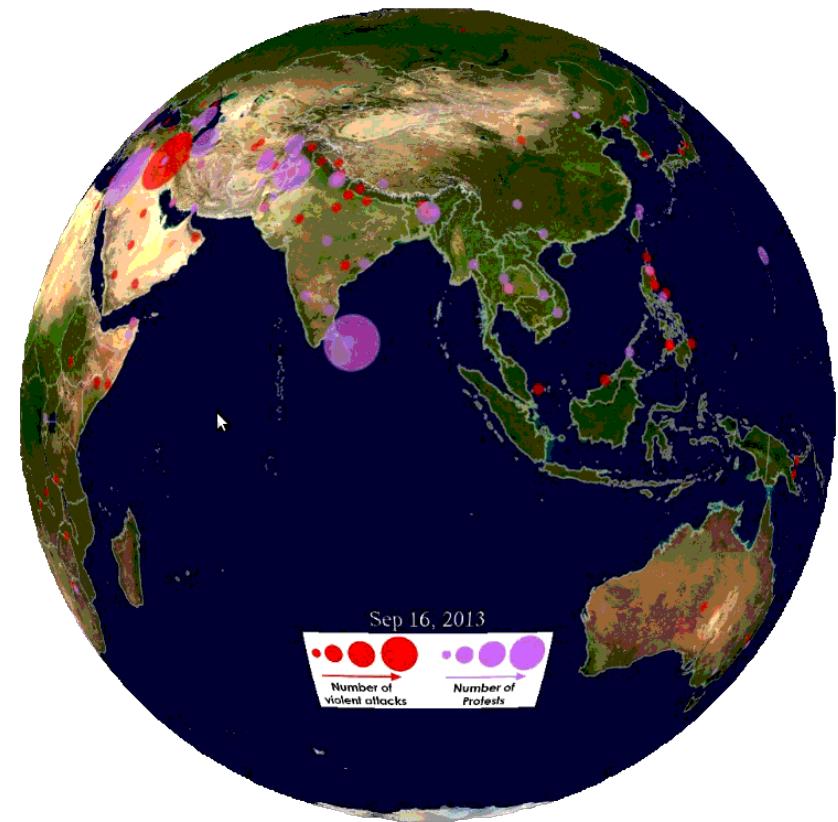
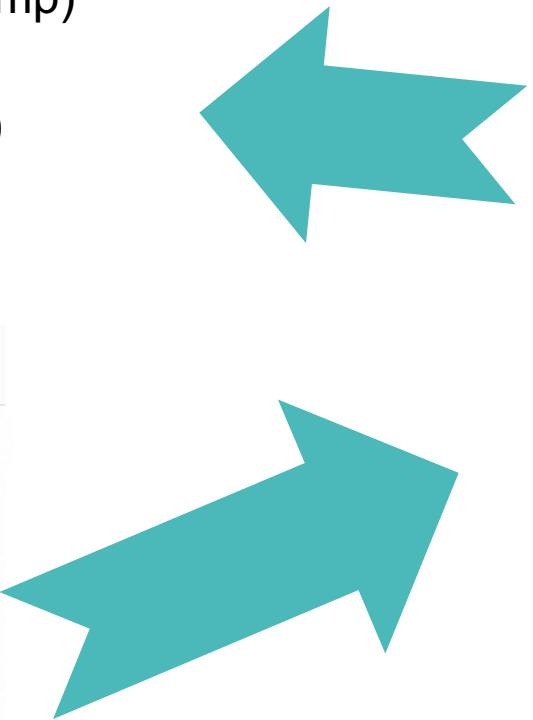
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Global Database of Events, Language, and Tone  
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# Graph View of a Temporal Knowledge Graph

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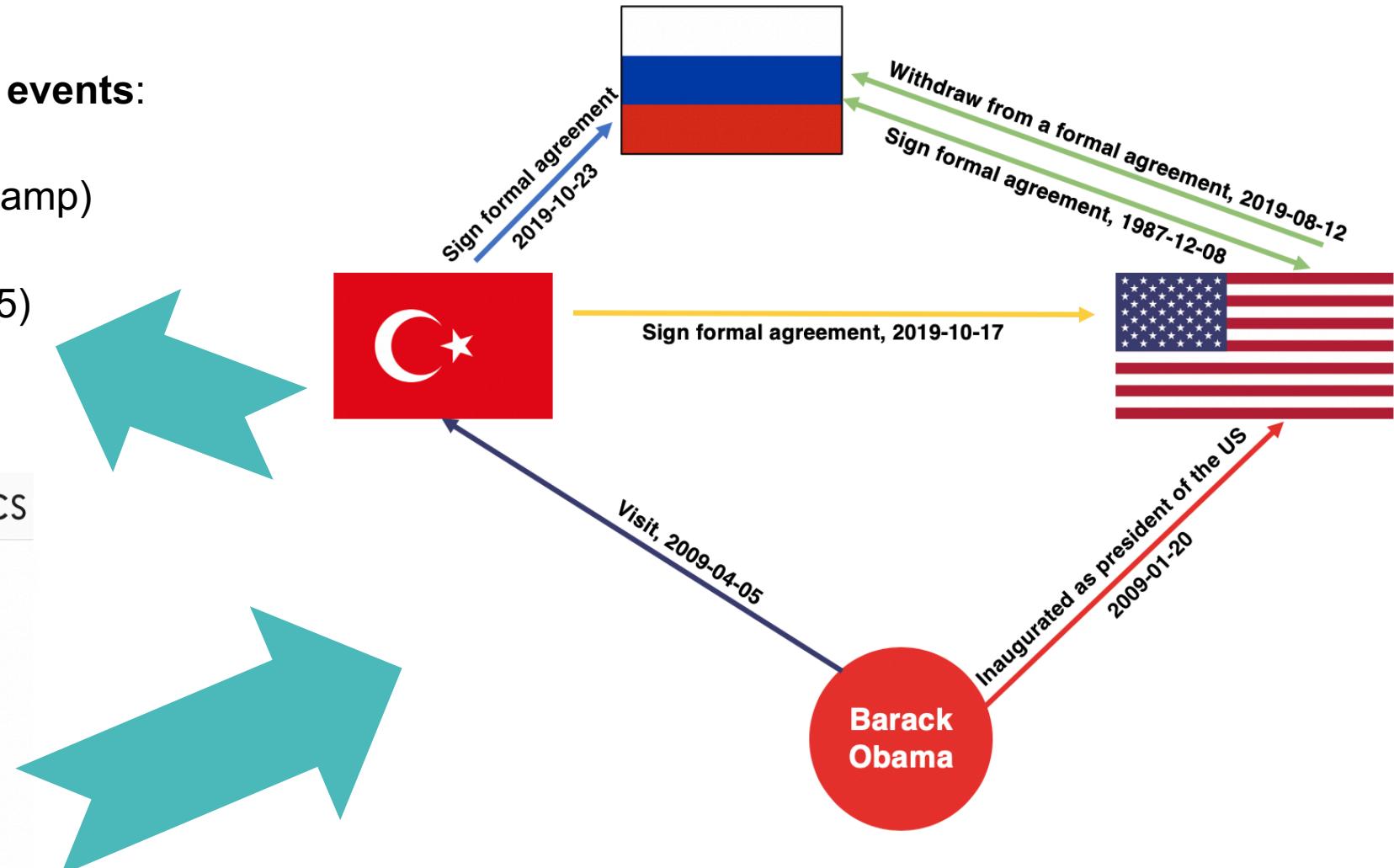
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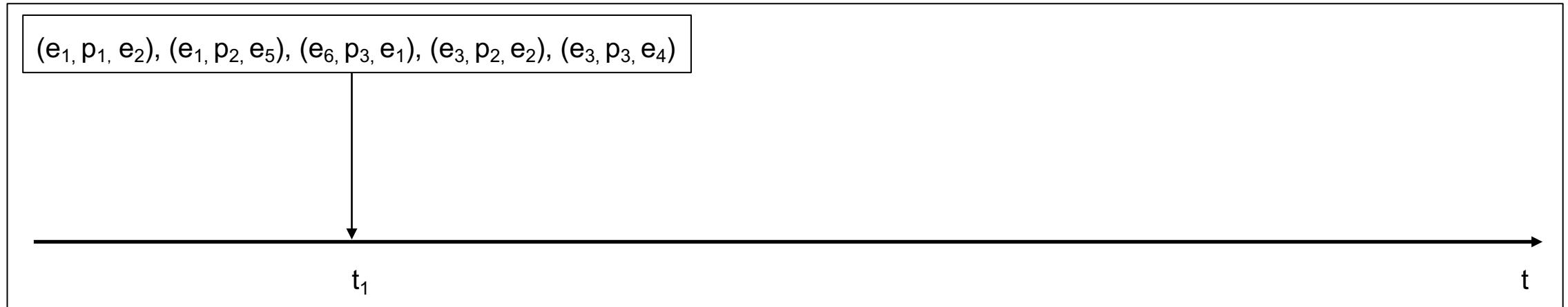
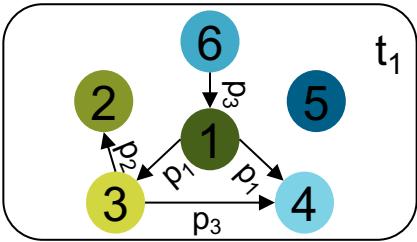


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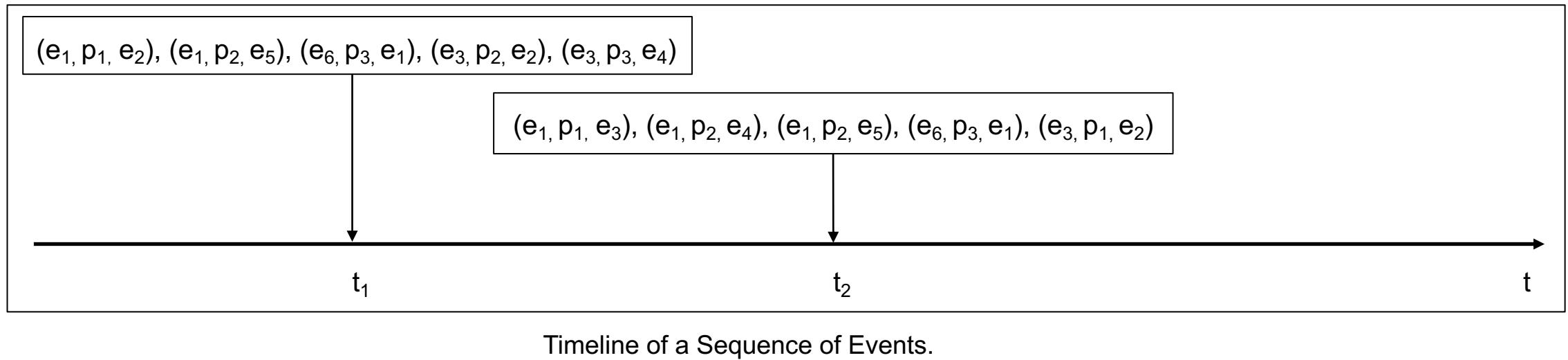
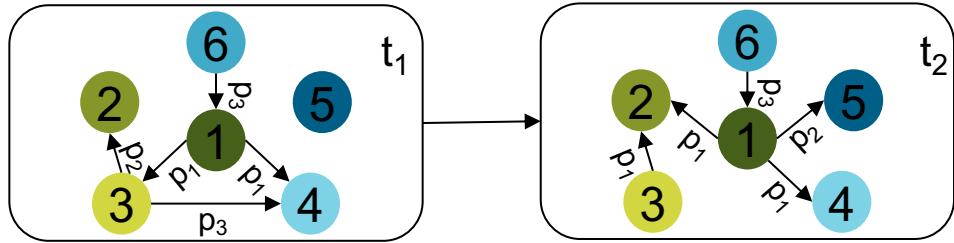
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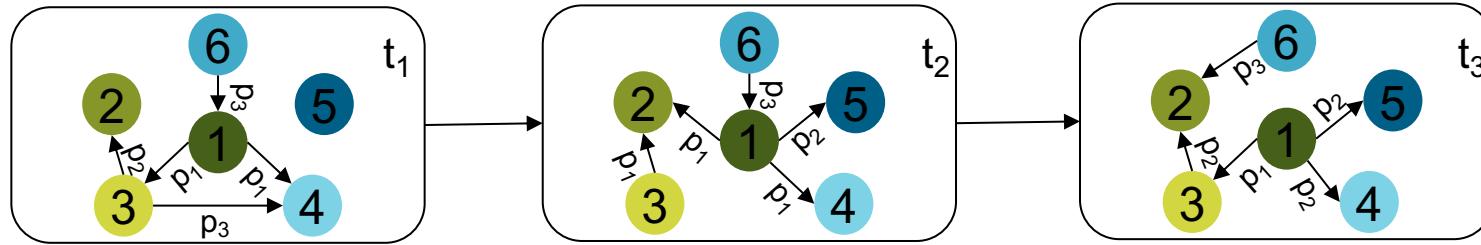
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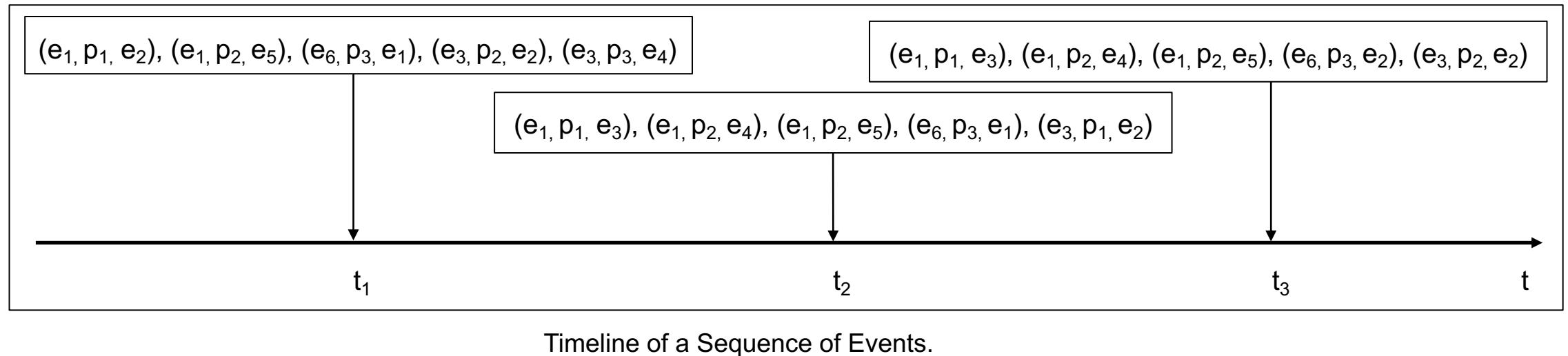
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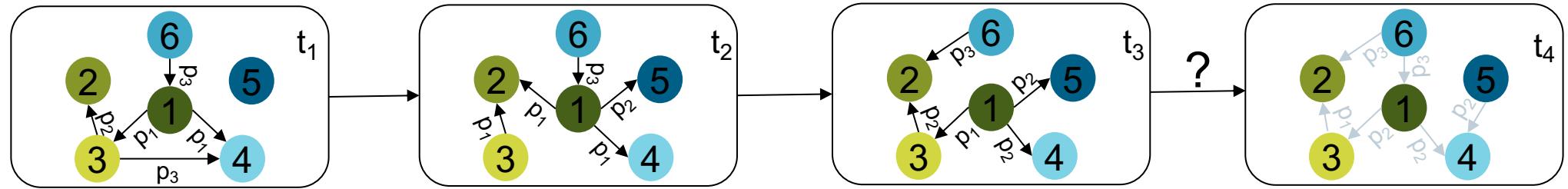
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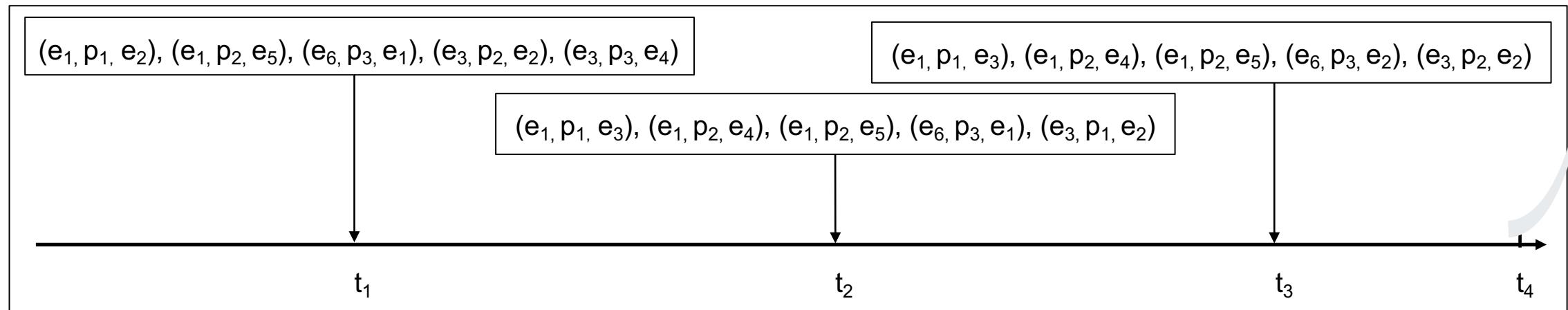
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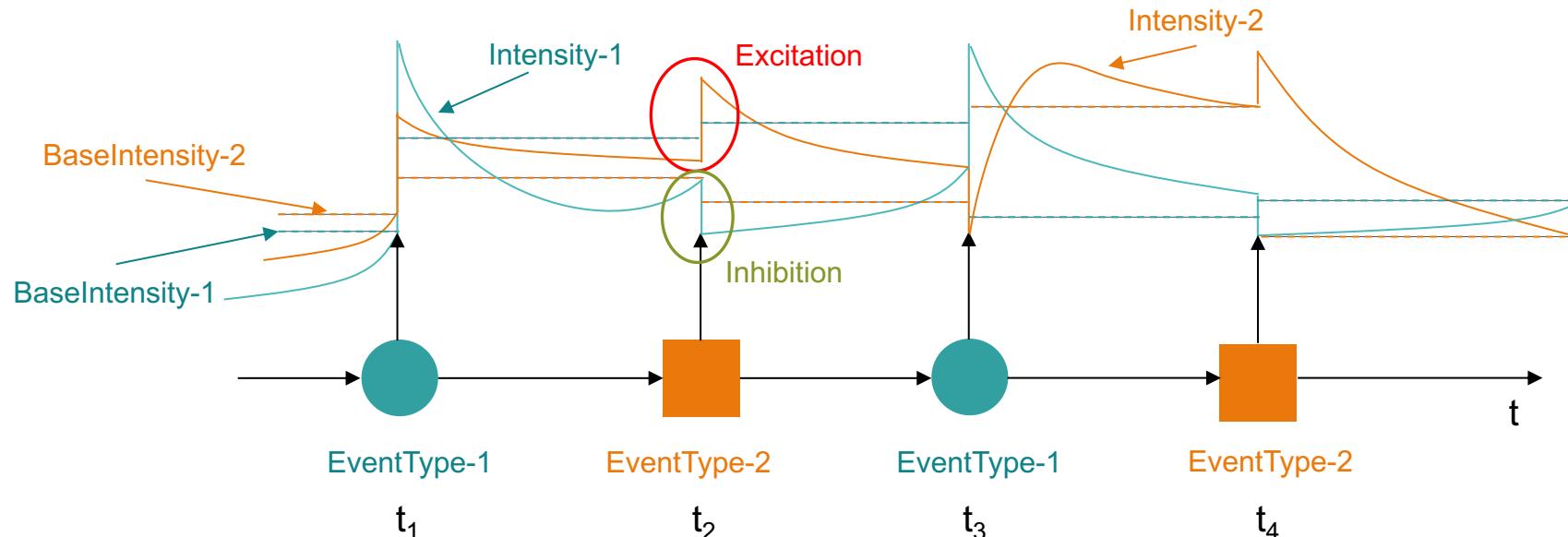
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Neural Hawkes Process<sup>[3]</sup>

$$\lambda_k(t) = f(\mathbf{w}_k^T \mathbf{h}(t)).$$

Intensity function of event type  $k$  Activation function Event-specific weight vector Hidden state vector



An Event Stream from the Neural Hawkes Process.

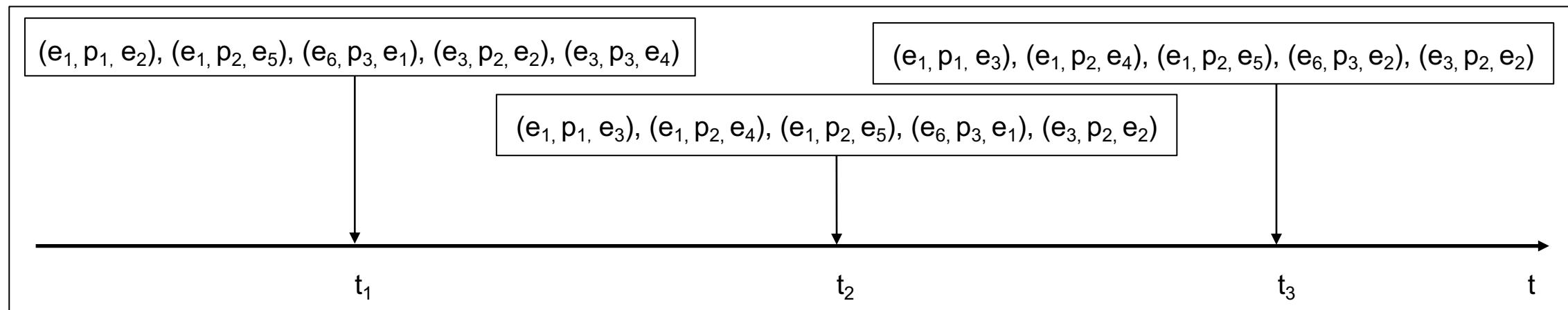
# Challenge: Characteristics of Temporal Knowledge Graphs

- **Scalability:** a huge amount of event types in tKGs.

- Number of **probable event types** in our tKG dataset:  $1.4 \cdot 10^{10}$

(subject, predicate, object)

- **Existing** event types in our dataset:  $1.2 \cdot 10^6$



Event Sequence Extracted from a Temporal Knowledge Graph

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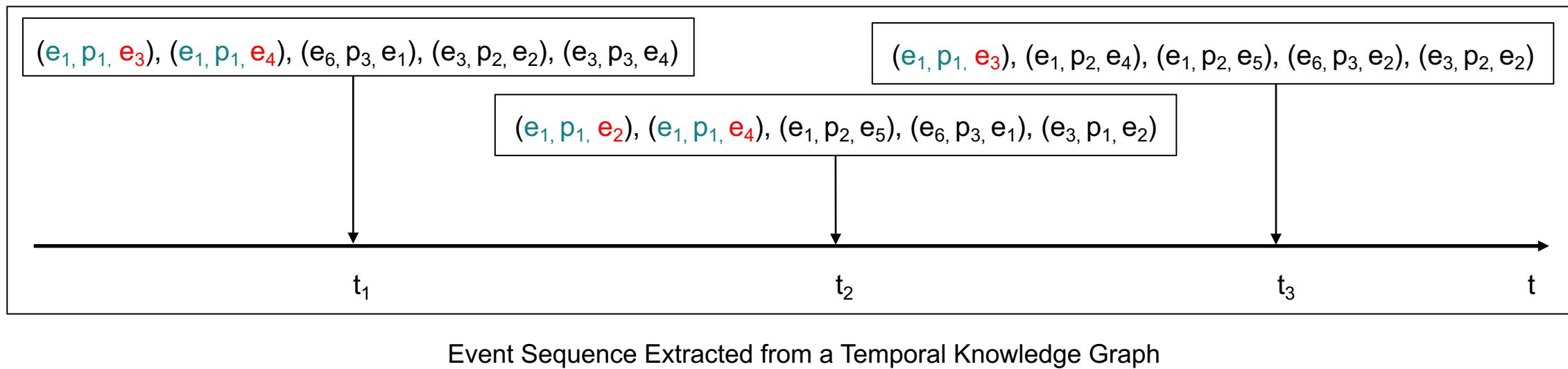
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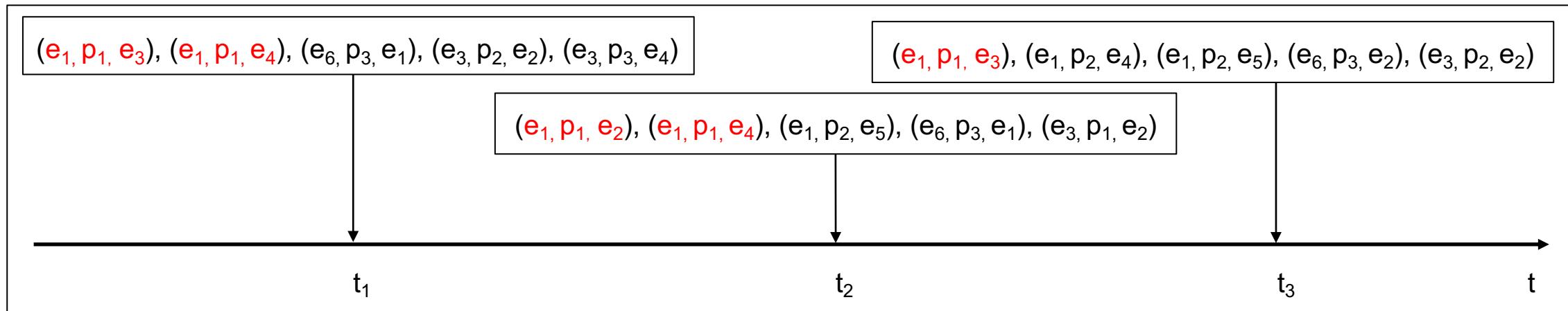
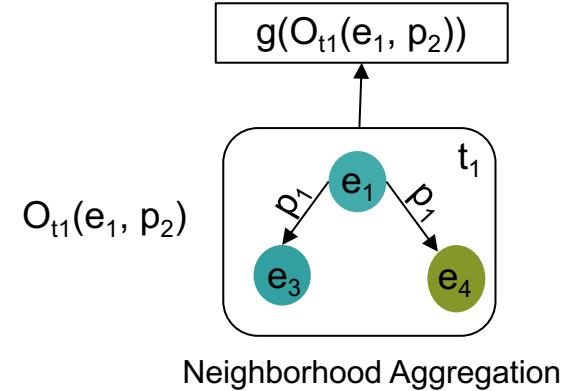


# Neighborhood Aggregation

- Considering an **object prediction query**  $(e_1, p_1, ?, t_4)$ .
- Neighborhood Aggregation Module<sup>[1]</sup>:

$$g(O_{t_1}(e_1, p_2)) = \frac{1}{|O_{t_1}(e_1, p_2)|} (e_3 + e_4)$$

= { $e_3, e_4$ }      Embedding of the 3-th entity      Embedding of the 4-th entity



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# Graph Hawkes Process

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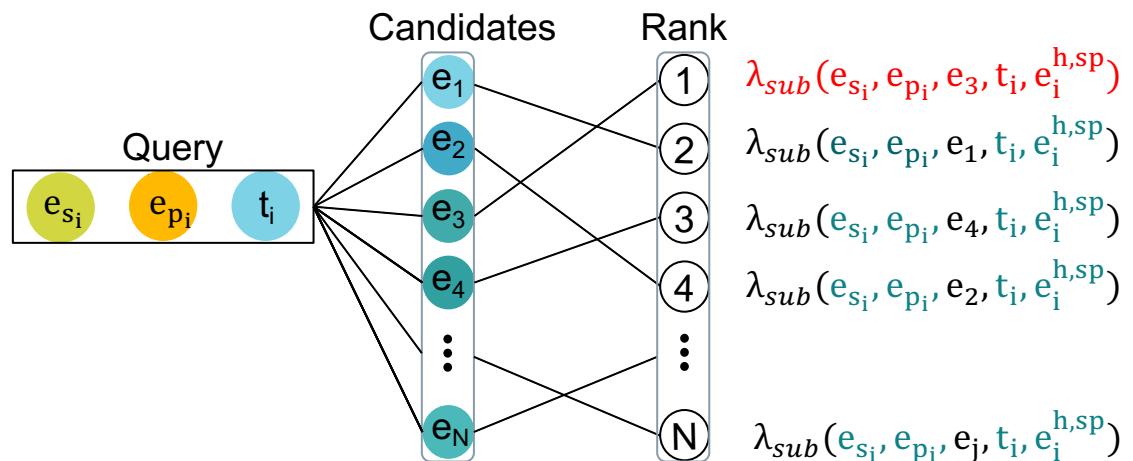
- Subject-centric intensity function

$$\lambda_{\text{sub}}(e_o | e_{s_i}, e_{p_i}, t_i, e_i^{h,sp}) = f\left(W_\lambda(e_{s_i}) \oplus W_h \mathbf{h}_{\text{sub}}(e_{s_i}, e_{p_i}, t_i, e_i^{h,sp}) \oplus e_{p_i} \right) \cdot e_o$$

Historical event sequence      Subject embedding      Hidden state vector      Predicate embedding      Object embedding  
Inner product

# Link Prediction Task

- Consider an object prediction query  $(e_{s_i}, e_{p_i}, ?, t_i)$  and the corresponding  $e_i^{h,sp}$ .
- Choose the object candidate with the highest intensity.



# Time Prediction Task

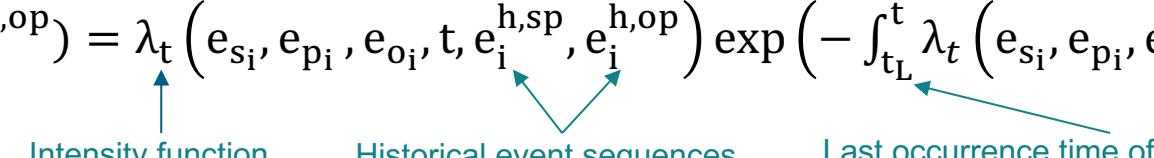
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Intensity function
Historical event sequences
Last occurrence time of the given event type

- The expectation of the next happening time:

$$\hat{t}_i = \int_{t_L}^{\infty} \tau \cdot p(\tau|e_{si}, e_{pi}, e_{oi}, e_i^{h,sp}, e_i^{h,op}) d\tau$$

Last occurrence time of the given event type
Probability density function
Historical event sequences

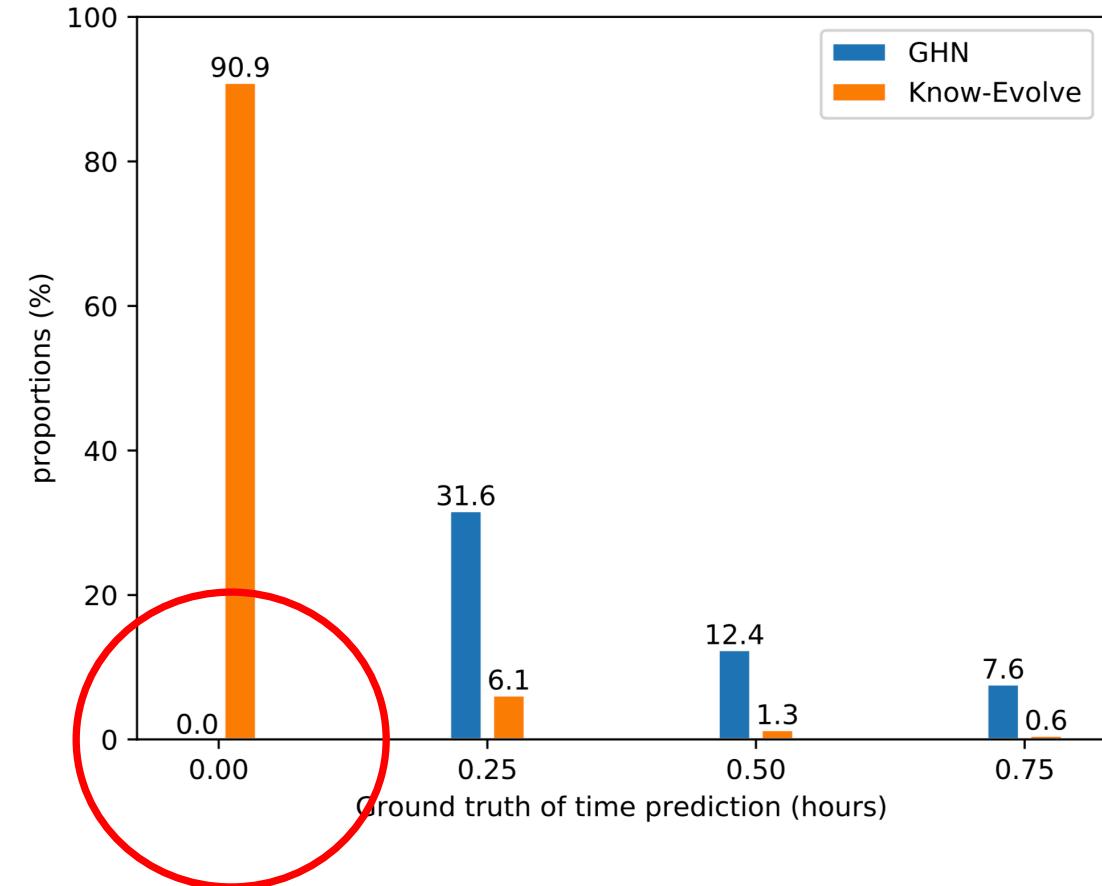
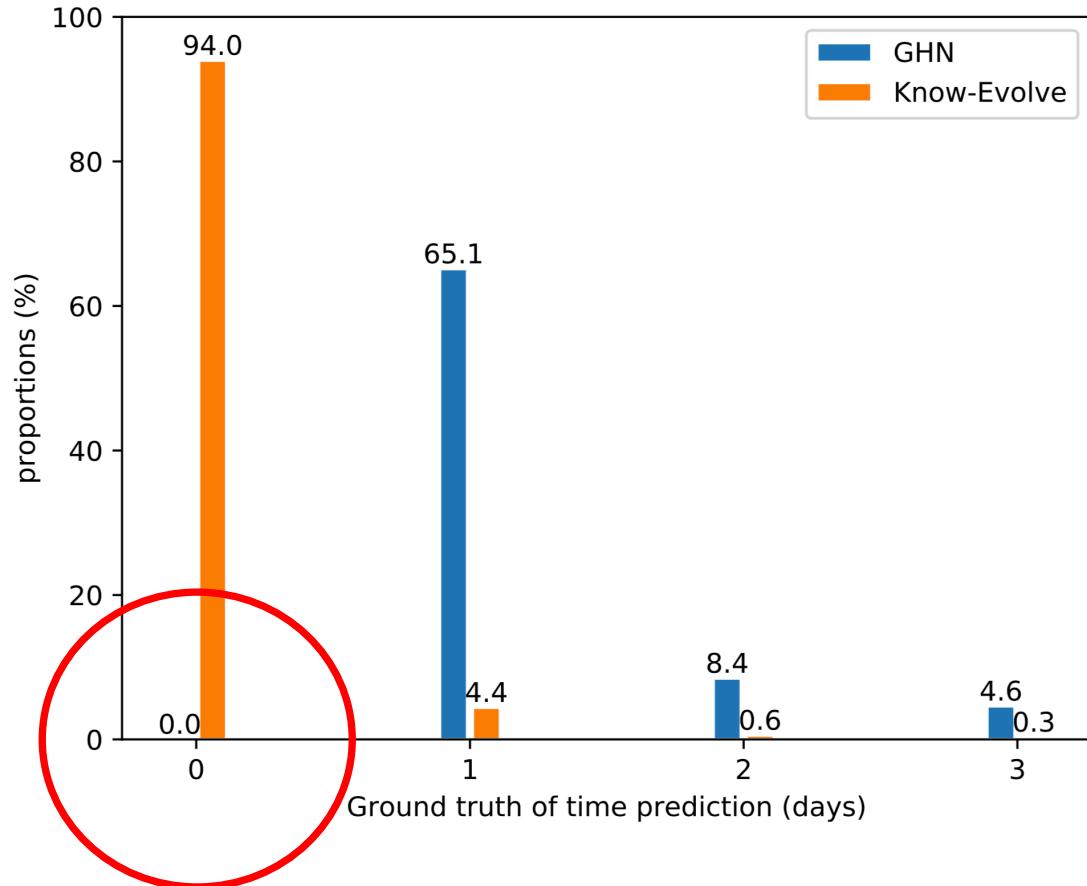
# Experimental Results - Link Prediction



Datasets	GDELT – filtered				ICEWS14 – filtered			
	Models	MRR	Hits@1	Hits@3	Hits@10	MRR	Hits@1	Hits@3
T-TransE	5.45	0.44	4.89	15.10	7.15	1.39	6.91	18.93
TA-TransE	9.57	0.00	12.51	27.91	11.35	0.00	15.23	34.25
TA-Dismult	10.28	4.87	10.29	20.43	10.73	4.86	10.86	22.52
LiTSEE	6.64	0.00	8.10	18.72	6.45	0.00	7.00	19.40
GHN	<b>23.55</b>	<b>15.66</b>	<b>25.51</b>	<b>38.92</b>	<b>28.71</b>	<b>19.82</b>	<b>31.59</b>	46.47

Table 1: Link prediction results: Mean Reciprocal Rank (MRR, %) and Hits@1/3/10 (%).

# How to Fairly Compare the Time Prediction Performance?

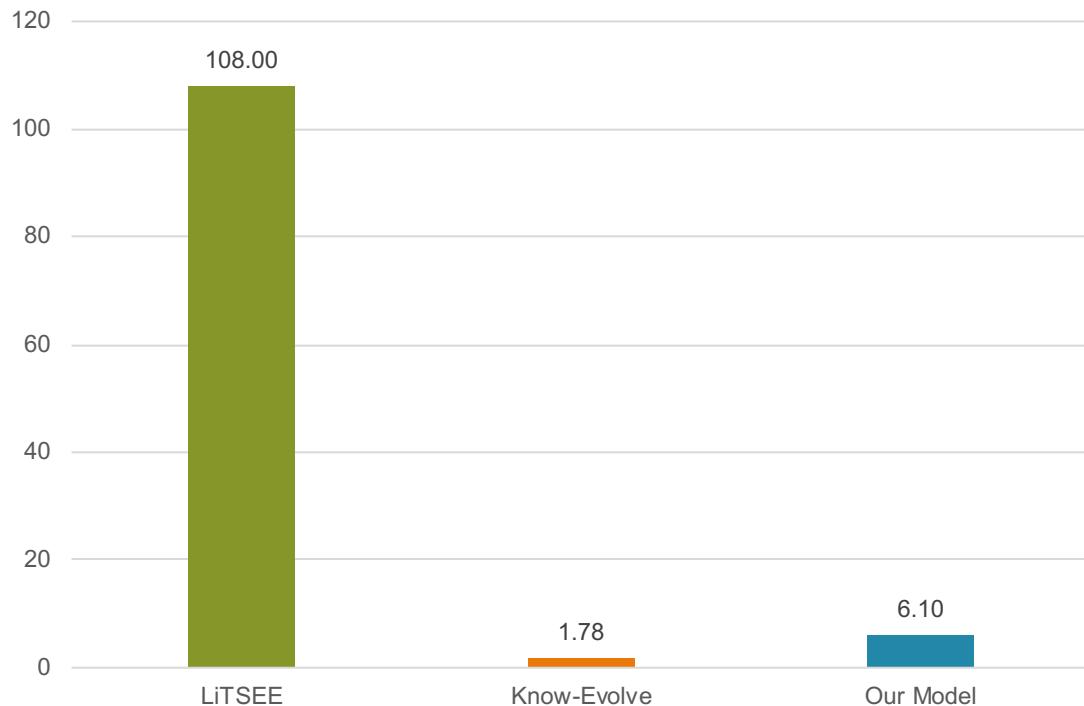


Our model (**GHN**) is nontrivial for time prediction.

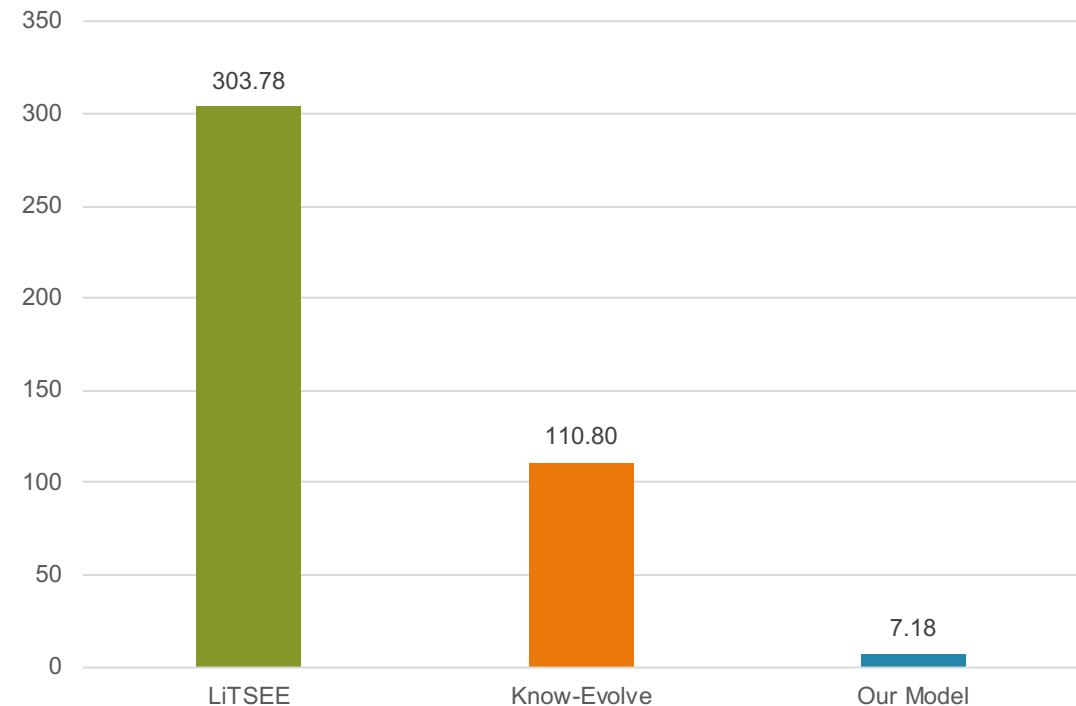
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MAE on the ICEWS14 Dataset (days)



MAE on the GDELT Dataset (hours)



# Applications

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Integrated conflict early warning



Supporting clinical decisions  
in terms of personalized healthcare

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# Future Work

- Enabling induction on new nodes.
- Explainability.

**Thank you!**

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