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# IT5429E-1-24 (24.1A01)(Fall 2024): Graph Analytics for Big Data

## Week 6: Knowledge Graphs - Reasoning

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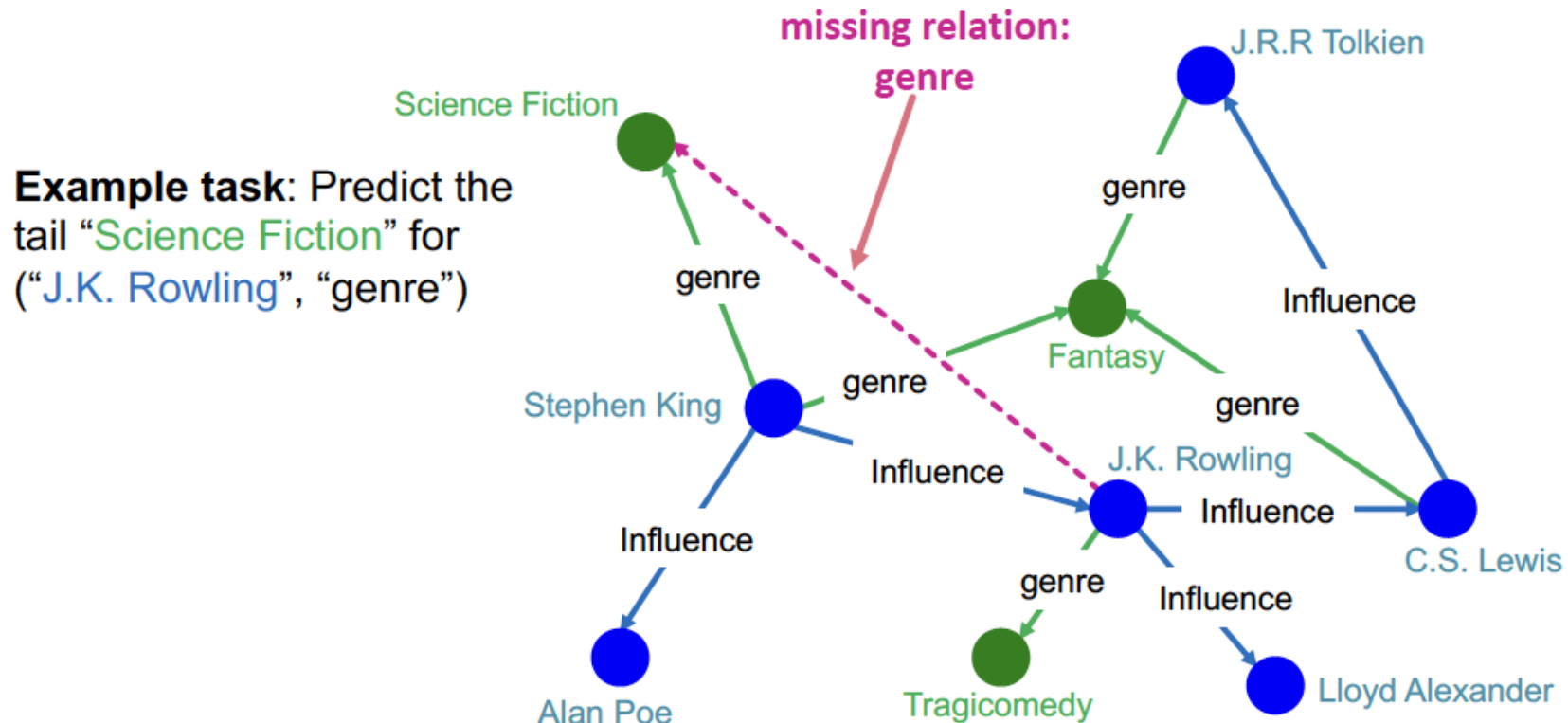
# Announcement

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- Starting from next week, all lectures will be taught on Zoom
- Zoom link:  
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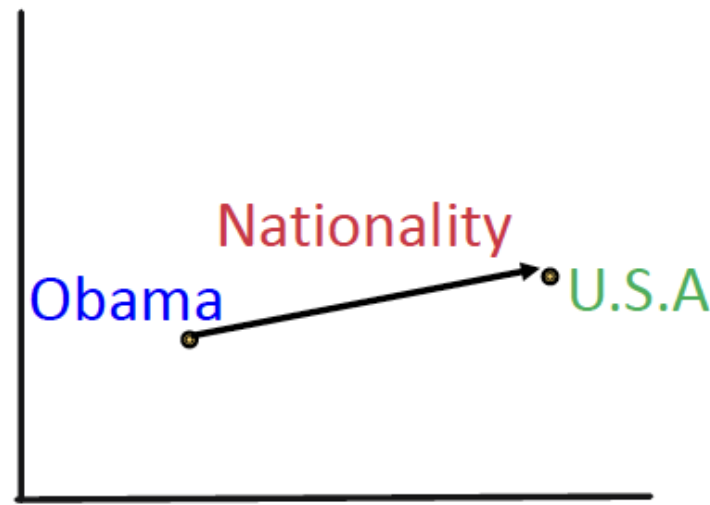
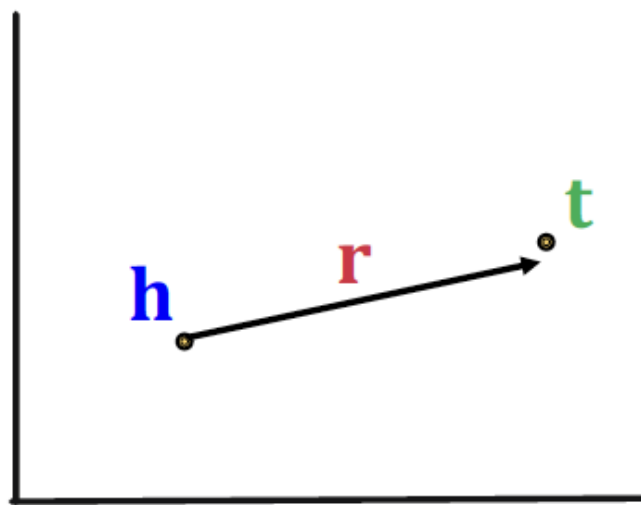
# Recap: KG Completion Task

- Given an enormous KG, can we complete the KG?
  - For a given (head, relation), we predict missing tails.
  - Note: this is slightly different from link prediction task.



# TransE

- Intuition: Translation
  - For a triple  $(h, r, t)$ , let  $h, r, t \in \mathbb{R}^d$  be embedding vectors
  - **TransE**:  $h + r \approx t$  if the given link exists; else  $h + r \neq t$
- Entity scoring function:  $f_r(h, t) = -\|h + r - t\|$



# TransR

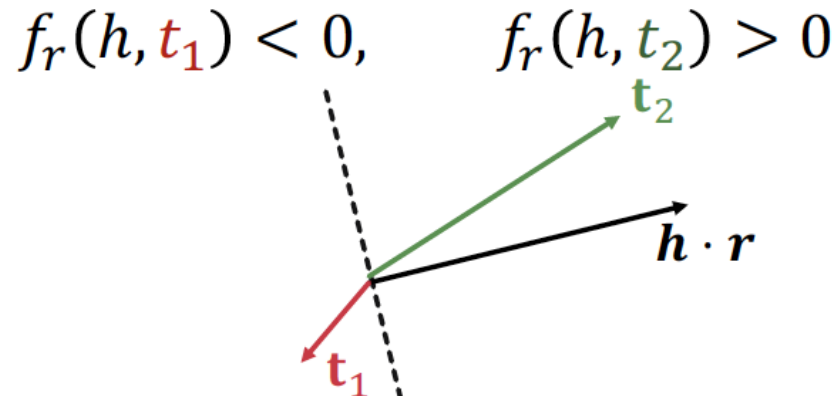
- **TransR**: model **entities** as vectors in the entity space  $\mathbb{R}^d$  and model each **relation** as vector in relation space  $r \in \mathbb{R}^k$  with  $M_r \in \mathbb{R}^{k \times d}$  as the **projection matrix**.
- $h_{\perp} = M_r h, t_{\perp} = M_r t$
- **Score function**:  $f_r(h, t) = -\|h_{\perp} + r - t_{\perp}\|$

Use  $M_r$  to **project** from entity space  $\mathbb{R}^d$  to **relation space**  $\mathbb{R}^k$  !!



# DistMult

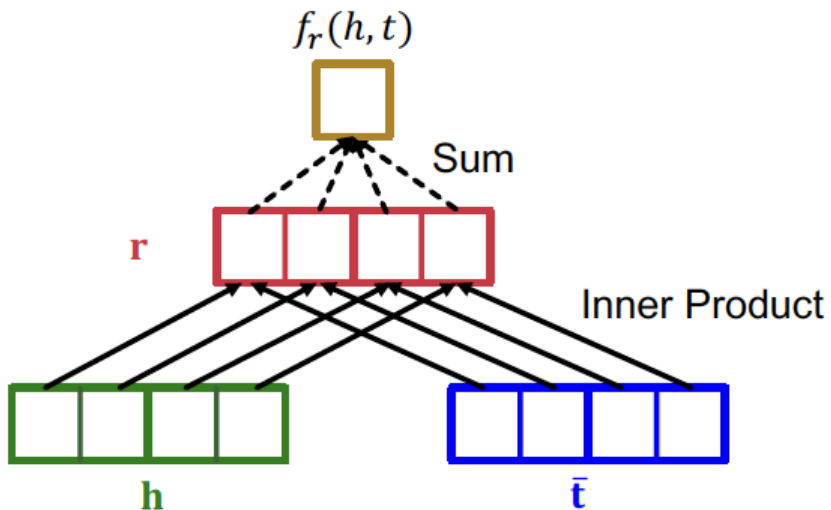
- **DistMult**: Entities and relations using vectors in  $\mathbb{R}^k$
- Score function:  $f_r(h, t) = \langle h, r, t \rangle = \sum_i h_i \cdot r_i \cdot t_i$
- $h, r, t \in \mathbb{R}^k$
- Intuition of the **score function**: Can be viewed as a **cosine similarity** between  $h \odot r$  and  $t$  where  $\odot$  is the Hadamard product (elementwise product)
- Example:



# ComplEx

- Based on Distmult, **ComplEx** embeds entities and relations in **Complex vector space**
- ComplEx**: model entities and relations using vectors in  $\mathbb{C}^k$
- Score function:  $f_r(h, t) = \text{Re}(\sum_i \mathbf{h}_i \cdot \mathbf{r}_i \cdot \bar{\mathbf{t}}_i)$

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# Model Relation Properties

- Different models are...
  - ...based on different geometric intuitions
  - ...capture different types of relations (have different expressivity)

Model	Score	Embedding	Sym.	Antisym.	Inv.	Compos.	1-to-N
TransE	$-\ \mathbf{h} + \mathbf{r} - \mathbf{t}\ $	$\mathbf{h}, \mathbf{t}, \mathbf{r} \in \mathbb{R}^k$	✗	✓	✓	✓	✗
TransR	$-\ M_r \mathbf{h} + \mathbf{r} - M_r \mathbf{t}\ $	$\mathbf{h}, \mathbf{t} \in \mathbb{R}^k,$ $\mathbf{r} \in \mathbb{R}^d,$ $M_r \in \mathbb{R}^{d \times k}$	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
DistMult	$\langle \mathbf{h}, \mathbf{r}, \mathbf{t} \rangle$	$\mathbf{h}, \mathbf{t}, \mathbf{r} \in \mathbb{R}^k$	✓	✗	✗	✗	✓
Complex	$\text{Re}(\langle \mathbf{h}, \mathbf{r}, \bar{\mathbf{t}} \rangle)$	$\mathbf{h}, \mathbf{t}, \mathbf{r} \in \mathbb{C}^k$	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓

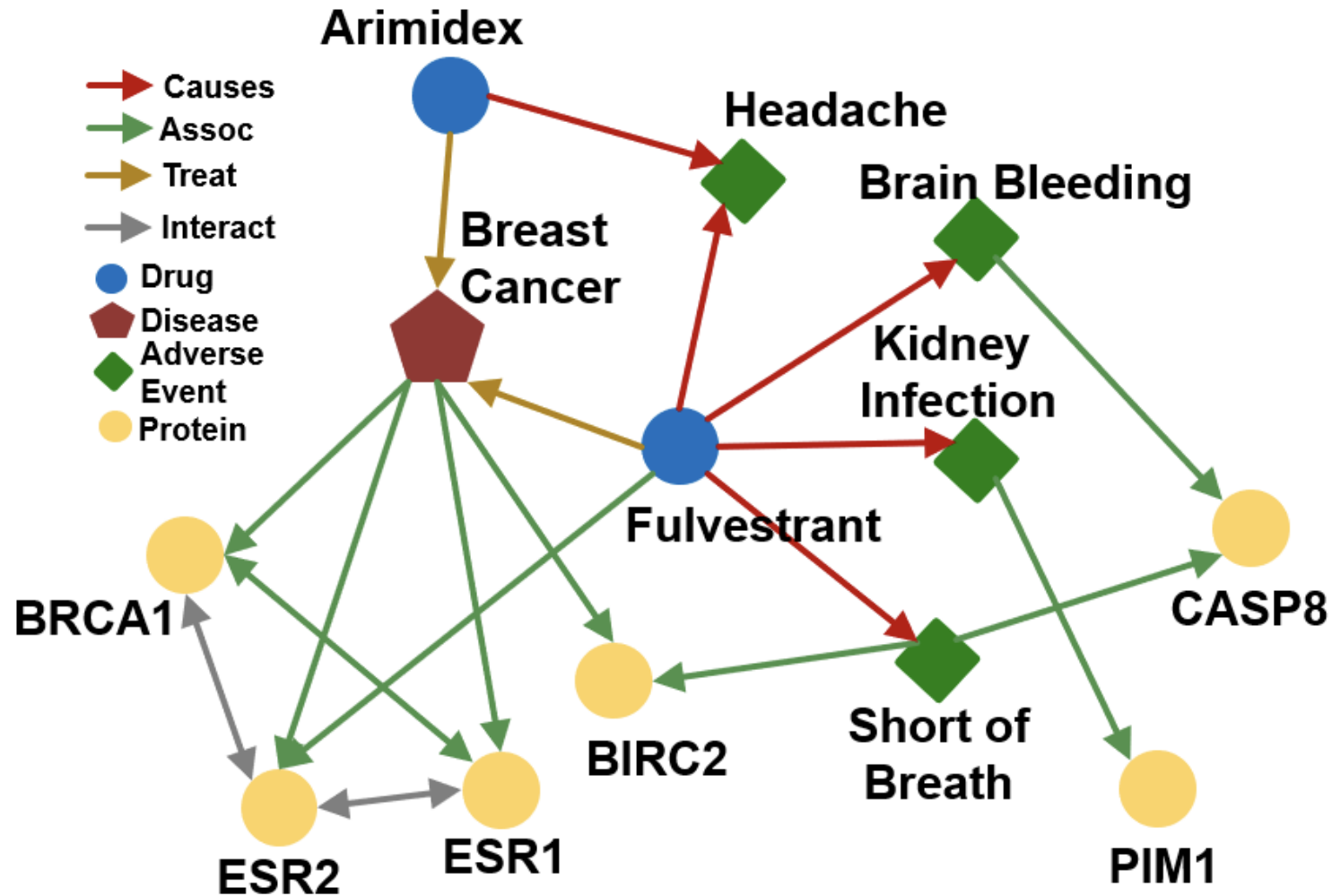


# Today: Reasoning over KGs

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- Goal:
  - How to perform multi-hop reasoning over KGs?
- Reasoning over Knowledge Graphs
  - Answering multi-hop queries
    - Path Queries
    - Conjunctive Queries
  - Query2Box

# Example KG: Biomedicine



# Predictive Queries on KG

- Can we do multi-hop reasoning, i.e., answer complex queries on an **incomplete, massive KG**?

Query Types	Examples: Natural Language Question, Query
One-hop Queries	What adverse event is caused by Fulvestrant? (e:Fulvestrant, (r:Causes))
Path Queries	What protein is associated with the adverse event caused by Fulvestrant? (e:Fulvestrant, (r:Causes, r:Assoc))
Conjunctive Queries	What is the drug that treats breast cancer and caused headache? ((e:BreastCancer, (r:TreatedBy)), (e:Migraine, (r:CausedBy)))

- In this lecture, we only focus on answering **queries** on a KG!



One-hop Queries



Path Queries



Conjunctive Queries

# Predictive One-hop Queries

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- We can formulate knowledge graph completion problems as answering one-hop queries.

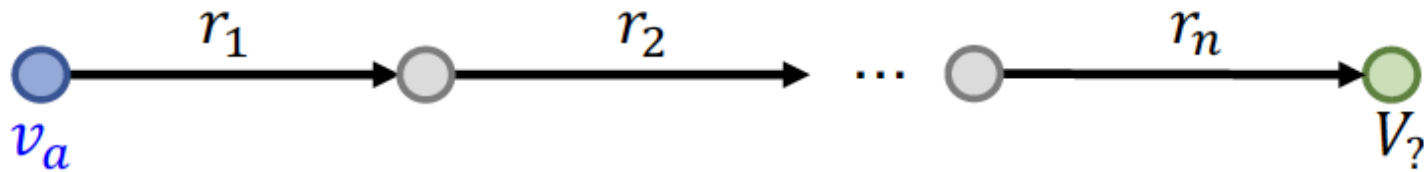
- **KG completion**: Is link  $(h, r, t)$  in the KG?



- **One-hop query**: Is  $t$  an answer to query  $(h, r)$ ?
  - For example: What side effects are caused by drug **Fulvestrant**?

# Path Queries

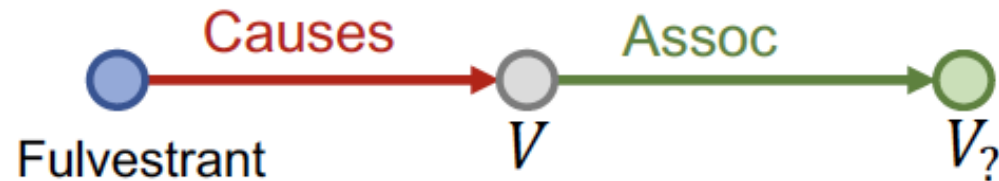
- Generalize one-hop queries to path queries by adding more relations on the path.
- An  $n$ -hop path query  $q$  can be represented by  $q = (v_a, (r_1, r_2, \dots, r_n))$ 
  - $v_a$  is an “anchor” entity
  - Let answers to  $q$  in graph  $G$  be denoted by  $\llbracket q \rrbracket_G$
- Query plan for  $q$



- Query plan of path queries is a chain.

# Path Queries

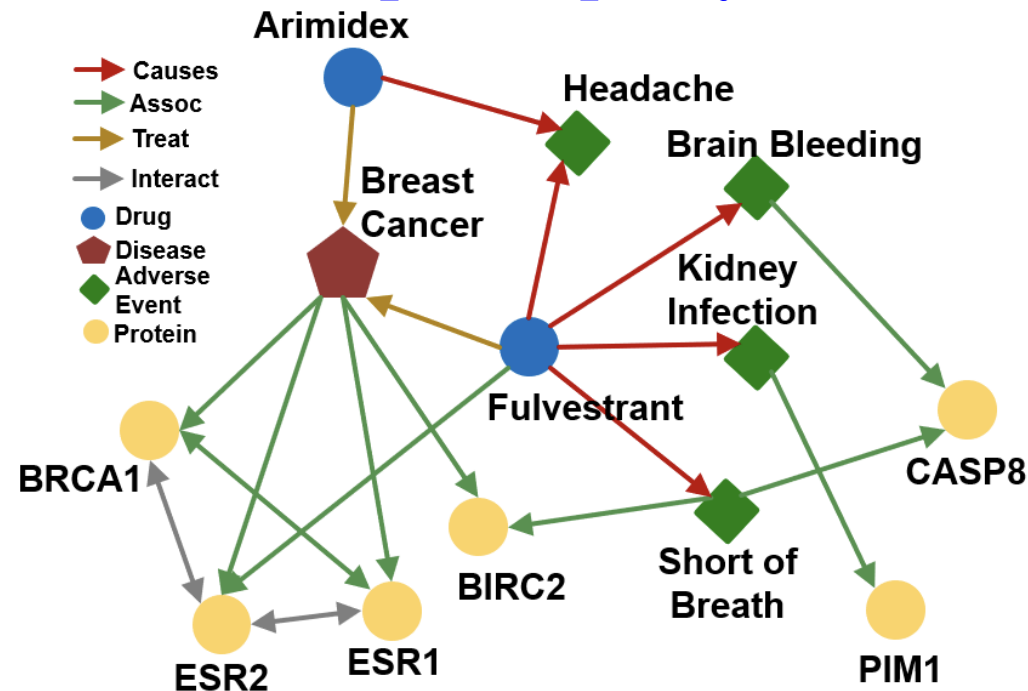
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# Path Queries

- Question: “What proteins are associated with adverse events caused by Fulvestrant?”
  - Query: (e:Fulvestrant, (r:Causes, r:Assoc))
- Given a KG, how to answer a path query?



# Traversing Knowledge Graphs

- We answer path queries by traversing the KG: “What proteins are **associated** with adverse events **caused** by **Fulvestrant**?”
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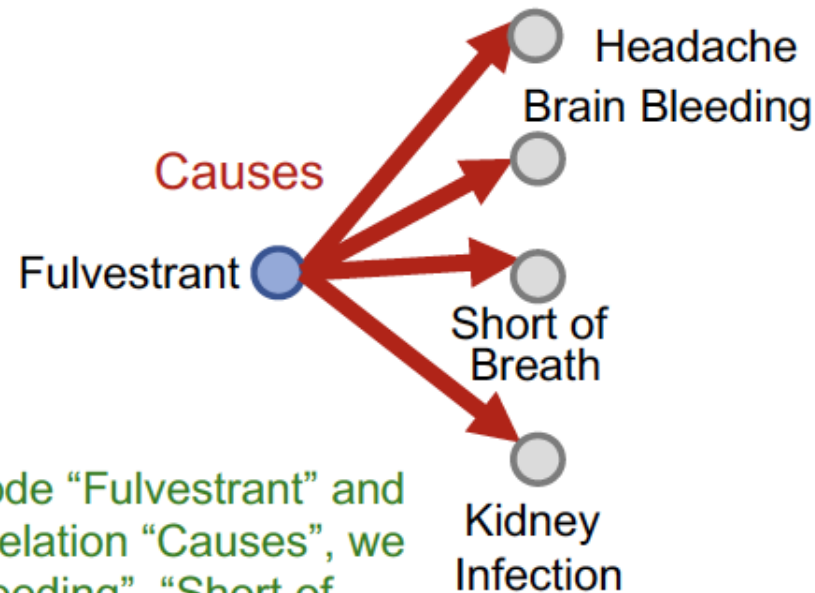
Fulvestrant 

Start from the  
**anchor node**  
(Fulvestrant).



# Traversing Knowledge Graphs

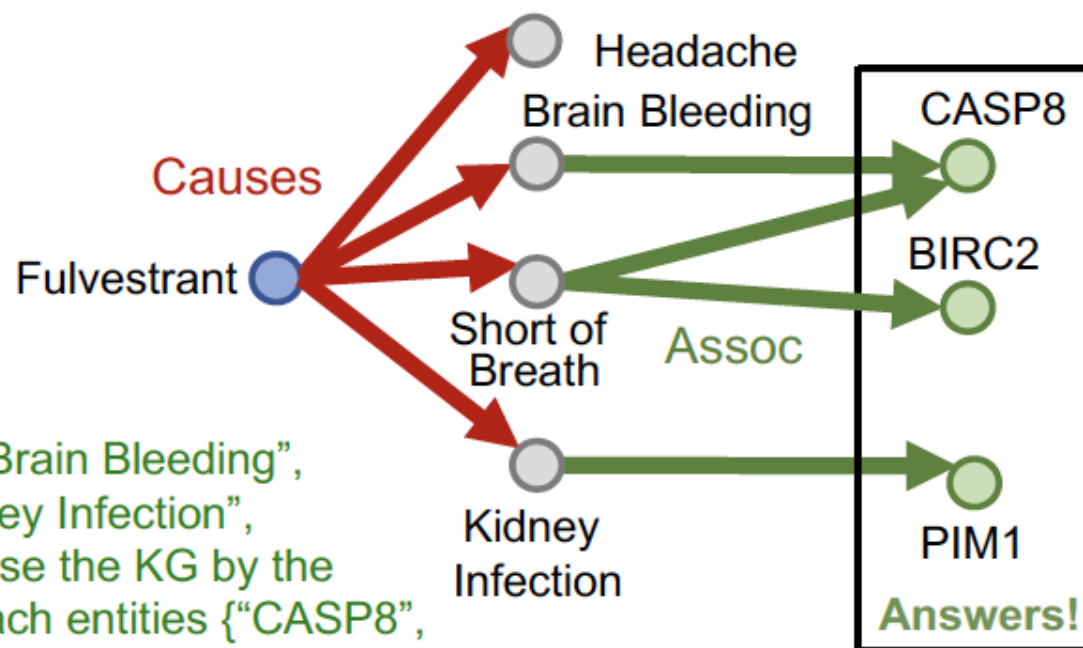
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Start from the anchor node “Fulvestrant” and traverse the KG by the relation “Causes”, we reach entities {“Brain Bleeding”, “Short of Breath”, “Kidney Infection”, “Headache”}.

# Traversing Knowledge Graphs

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- Query: (e:Fulvestrant, (r:Causes, r:Assoc))



Start from the nodes {"Brain Bleeding", "Short of Breath", "Kidney Infection", "Headache"} and traverse the KG by the relation "Assoc", we reach entities {"CASP8", "BIRC2", "PIM1"}. These are the answers.

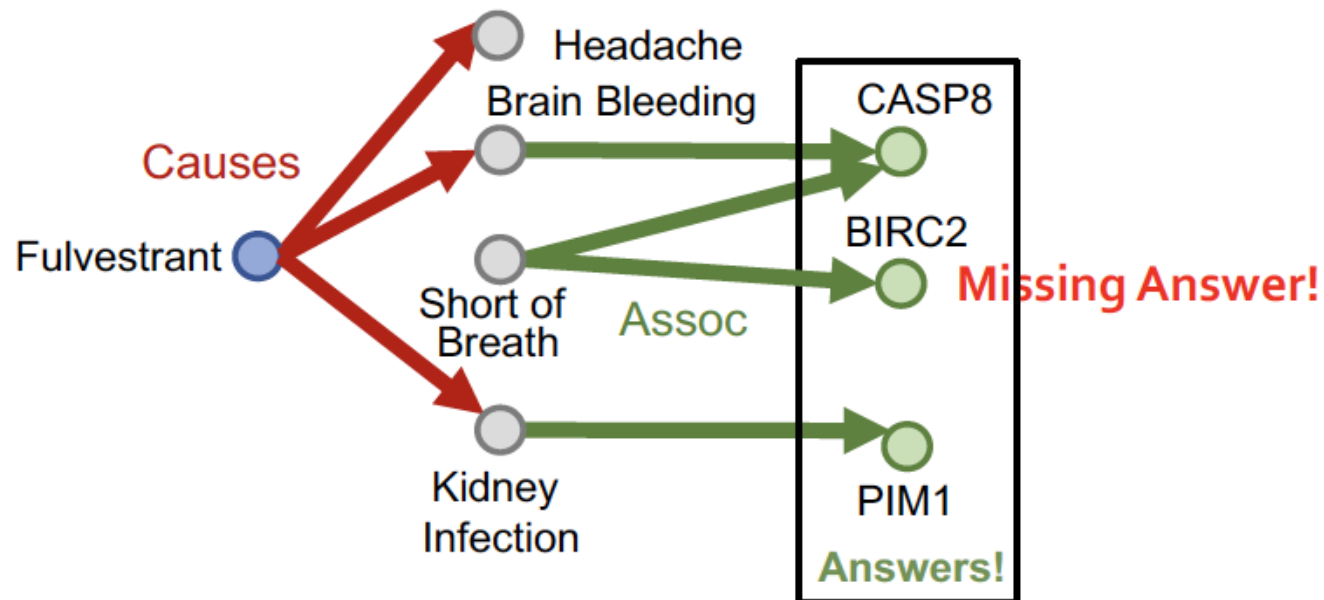
# However, KGs are Incomplete

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- Answering queries seems easy: Just traverse the graph.
  - But KGs are incomplete and unknown:
  - Many relations between entities are missing or are incomplete
    - For example, we lack all the biomedical knowledge
    - Enumerating all the facts takes non-trivial time and cost, we cannot hope that KGs will ever be fully complete
- Due to KG incompleteness, one is not able to identify all the answer entities!

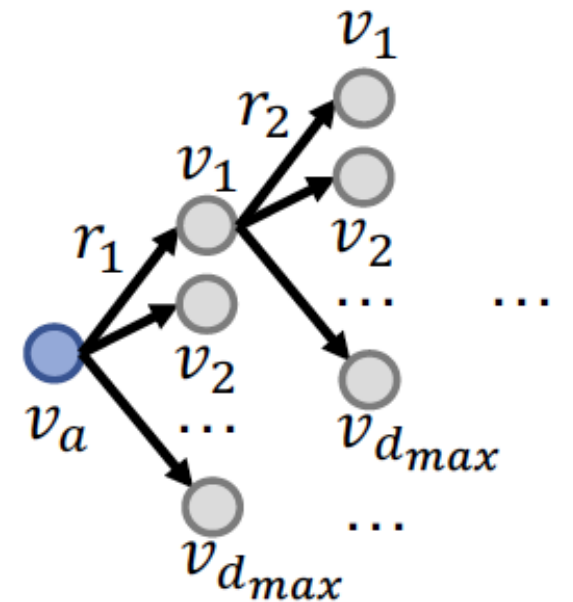
# Example: Incomplete KG

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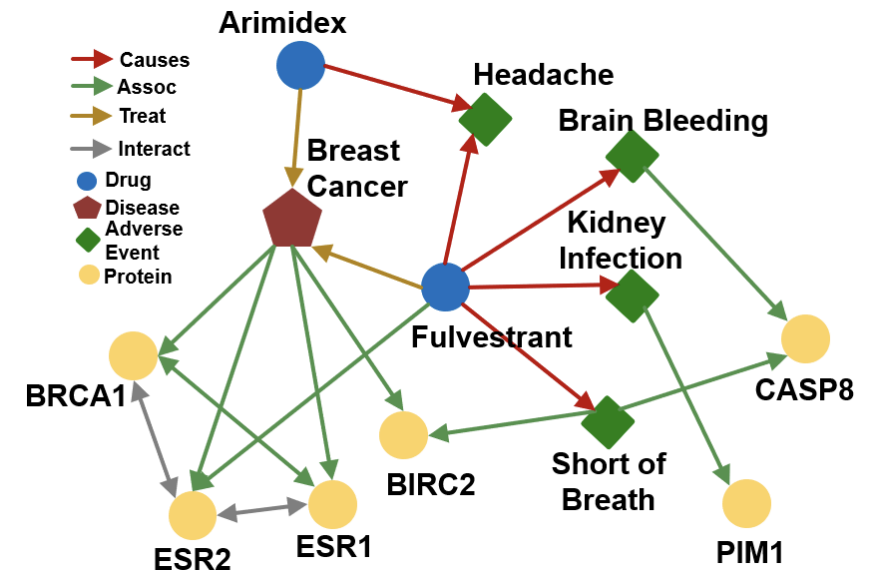
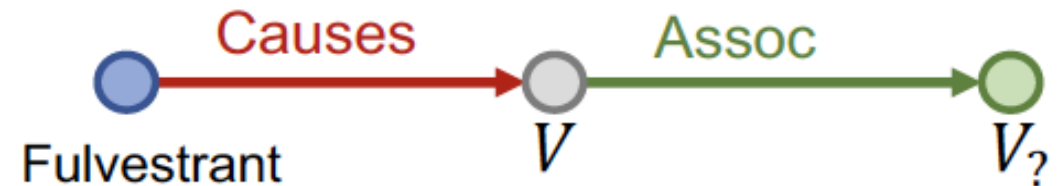
# Can KG Completion Help?

- Can we first do KG completion and then traverse the completed (probabilistic) KG?
  - **No!** The “completed” KG is a **dense graph**!
    - Most  $(h, r, t)$  triples (edge on KG) will have some non-zero probability.
- Time complexity of traversing a dense KG is exponential as a function of the path length  $L$ :
$$O(d_{max}^L)$$
  - $d_{max}$ : max degree



# Task: Predictive Queries

- We need a way to answer path-based queries over an incomplete knowledge graph.
- We want our approach to implicitly impute and account for the incomplete KG.
- Task: **Predictive queries**
  - Want to be able to answer arbitrary queries while implicitly imputing for the missing information
  - Generalization of the link prediction task



# Outline

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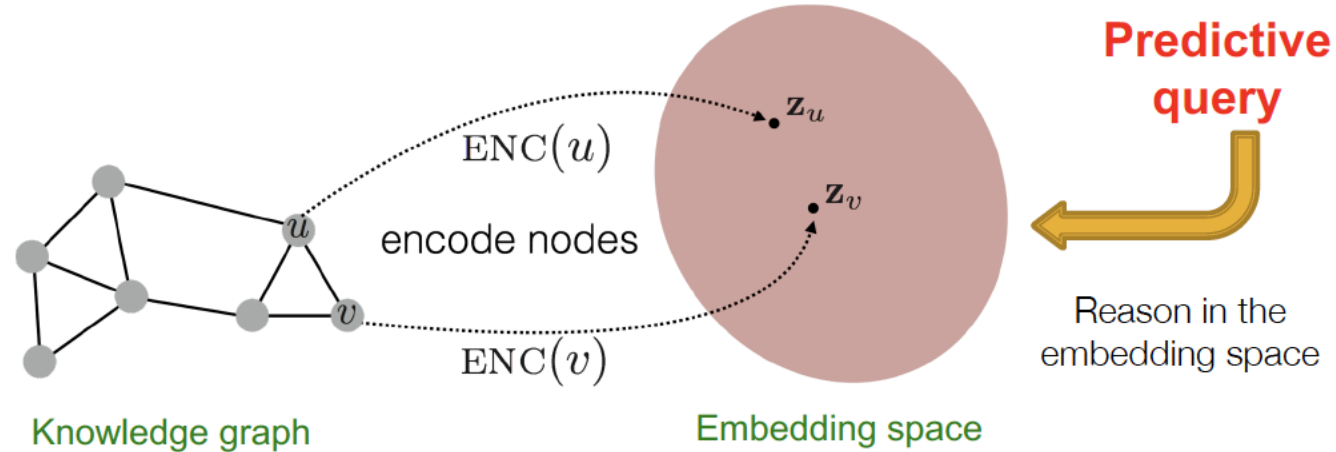
- Given entity embeddings, how do we answer an arbitrary query?
  - Path queries: Using a generalization of TransE
  - Conjunctive queries: Using Query2Box
  - And-Or Queries: Using Query2Box and query rewriting
  - We will assume entity embeddings and relation embeddings are given
- How do we train the embeddings?
  - The process of determining entity and relation embeddings which allow us to embed a query.

# Answering Predictive Queries on KGs

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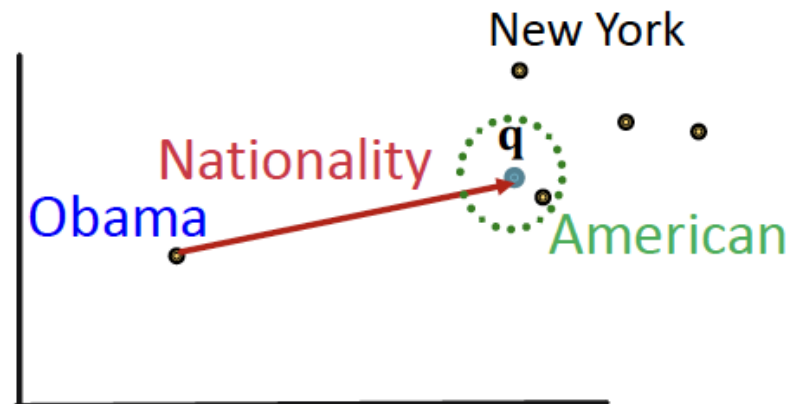
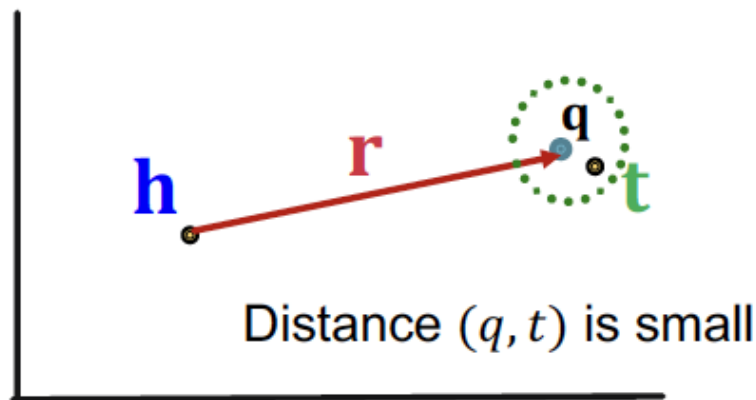
# General Idea



- Map queries into embedding space. **Learn to reason in that space**
  - Embed query into a single point in the Euclidean space: answer nodes are close to the query.
  - Query2Box: Embed query into a hyper-rectangle (box) in the Euclidean space: answer nodes are enclosed in the box.

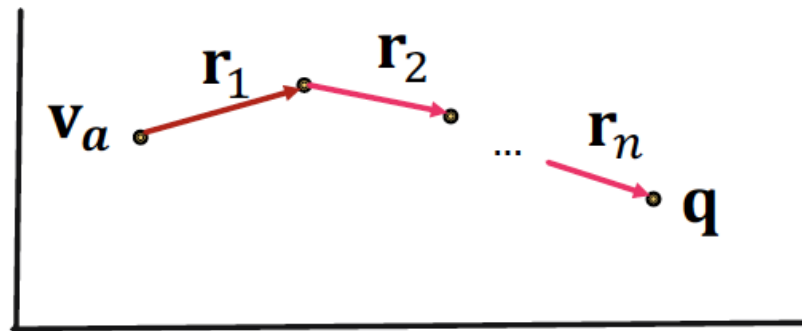
# Idea: Traversing KG in Vector Space

- Key idea: Embed queries!
  - Generalize TransE to multi-hop reasoning.
  - Recap: TransE: Translate  $\mathbf{h}$  to  $\mathbf{t}$  using  $\mathbf{r}$  with score function  $f_r(h, t) = -\|h + r - t\|$ .
  - Another way to interpret this is that:
    - Query embedding:  $\mathbf{q} = \mathbf{h} + \mathbf{r}$
    - Goal: query embedding  $\mathbf{q}$  is close to the answer embedding  $\mathbf{t}$ :  $f_q(t) = -\|q - t\|$



# Traversing KG in Vector Space

- Key idea: Embed queries!
  - Generalize TransE to multi-hop reasoning.
- Given a path query  $q = (v_a, (r_1, r_2, \dots, r_n))$



$$\mathbf{q} = \mathbf{v}_a + \mathbf{r}_1 + \dots + \mathbf{r}_n$$

- The embedding process **only involves vector addition**, **independent of # entities** in the KG!

# Traversing KG in Vector Space (1)

- Embed path queries in vector space.
- Question: “What proteins are associated with adverse events caused by Fulvestrant?”
- Query: (e:Fulvestrant, (r:Causes , r:Assoc))
- Follow the query plan:

Query Plan

Embedding Process

Fulvestrant ●

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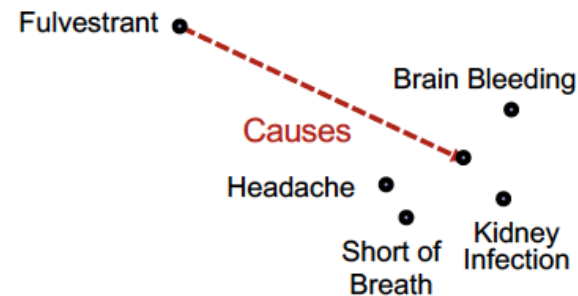
# Traversing KG in Vector Space (2)

- Embed path queries in vector space.
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Query Plan

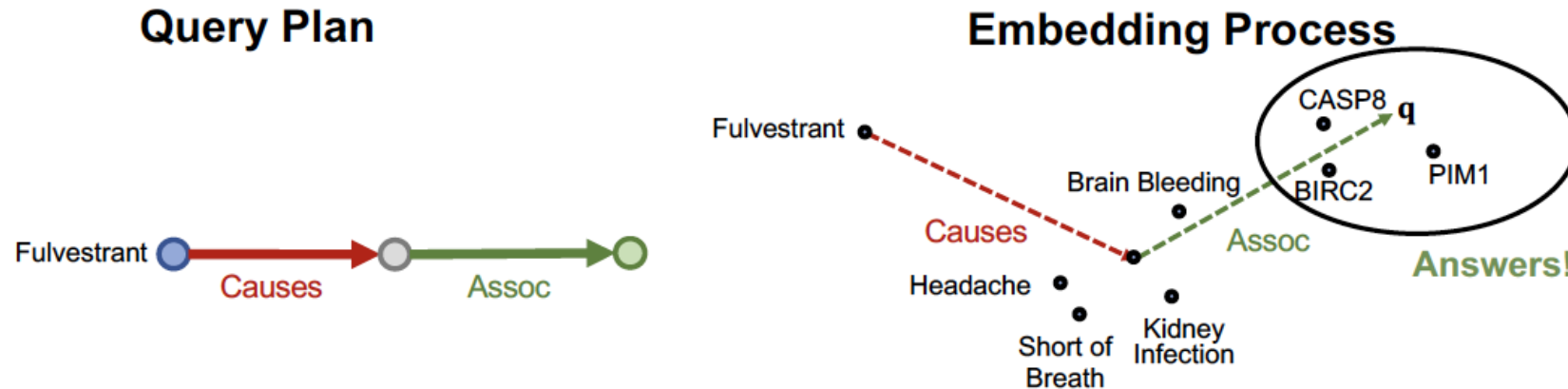


Embedding Process



# Traversing KG in Vector Space (3)

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- Follow the query plan:



# Traversing KG in Vector Space (4)

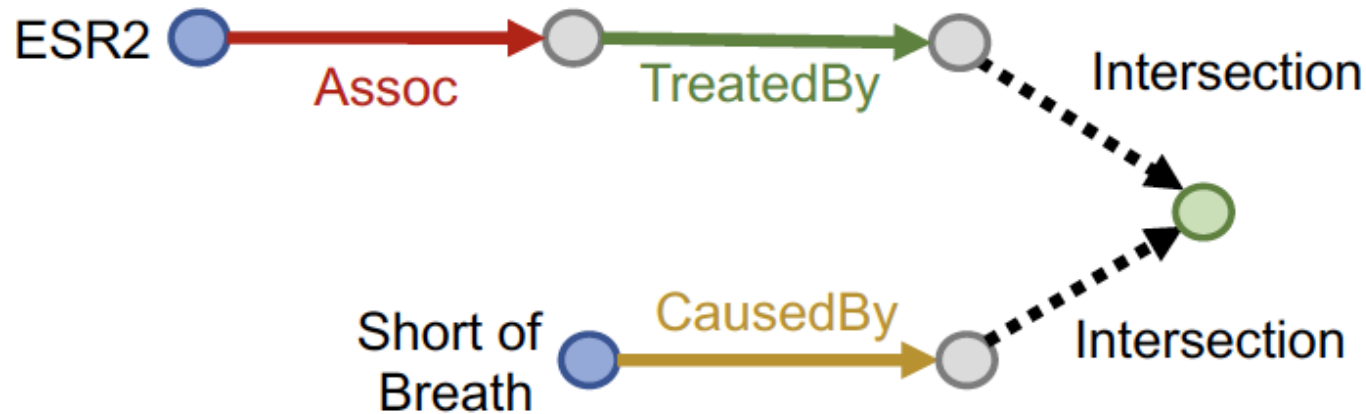
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- Insights:
  - We can train **TransE** to optimize knowledge graph completion objective
  - Since **TransE** can naturally handle **compositional relations**, it can handle path queries by translating in the latent space for multiple hops using addition of relation embeddings.
  - For **DistMult** / **ComplEx**, since they cannot handle compositional relations, they cannot be easily extended to handle path queries.

# Conjunctive Queries

- Can we answer more complex queries with **logic conjunction operation**?
  - Conjunctive Queries:** “What are drugs that cause Short of Breath and treat diseases associated with protein ESR2?”
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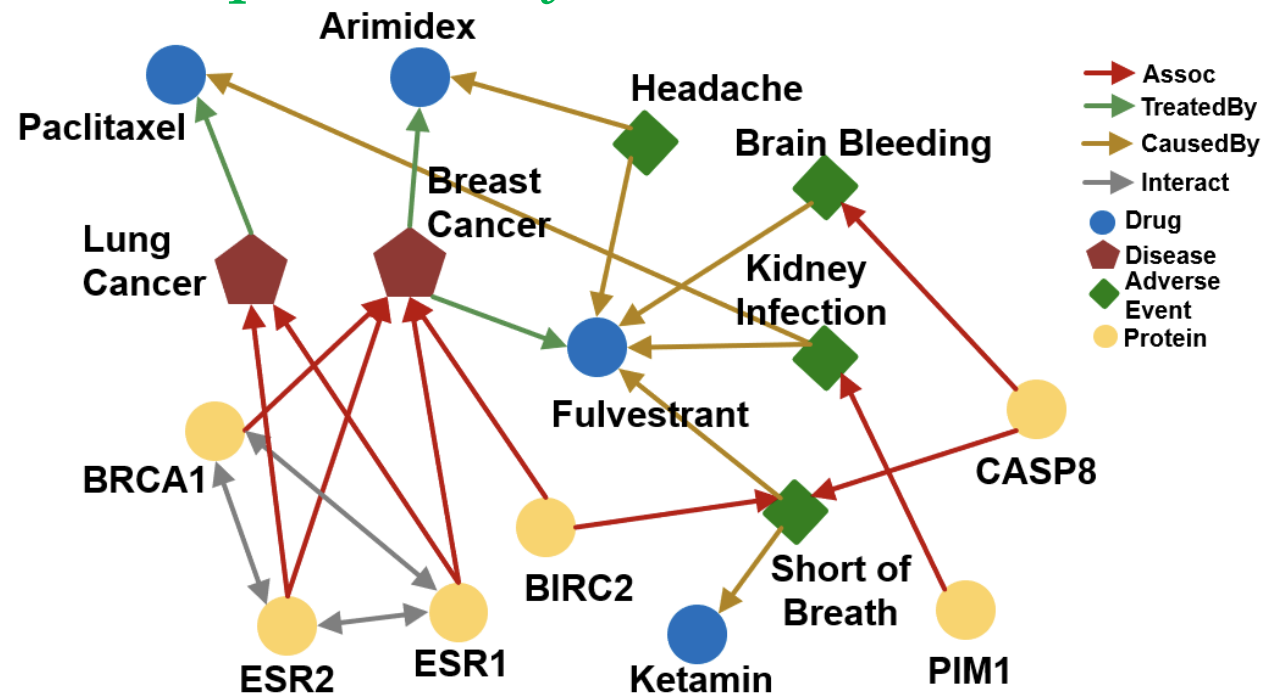
- Query plan:





# Conjunctive Queries

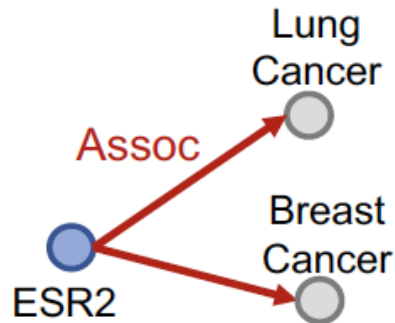
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- $((e:ESR2, (r:Assoc, r:TreatedBy)), (e:Short\ of\ Breath, (r:CausedBy)))$
- How do we answer the question by KG traversal?



# Traversing KG for Conjunctive Queries

- **Conjunctive Queries:** “What are drugs that cause Short of Breath and treat diseases associated with protein ESR2?”
- $((e:\text{ESR2}, (r:\text{Assoc}, r:\text{TreatedBy})), (e:\text{Short of Breath}, (r:\text{CausedBy})))$
- Traverse KG from anchor nodes: **ESR2** and **Short of Breath**:

**Breath:**

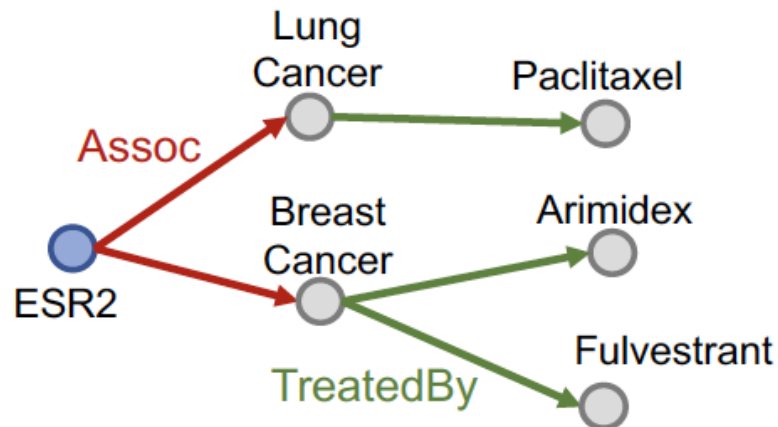


Traverse from the first anchor “ESR2” by relation “Assoc”, we reach a set of entities {“Lung Cancer”, “Breast Cancer”}

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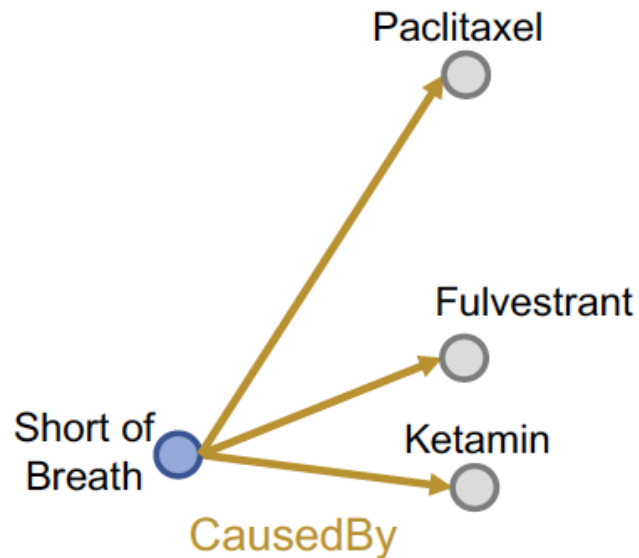


Traverse from the set of entities {"Lung Cancer", "Breast Cancer"} by relation TreatedBy, we reach a set of entities {"Paclitaxel", "Arimidex", "Fulvestrant"}

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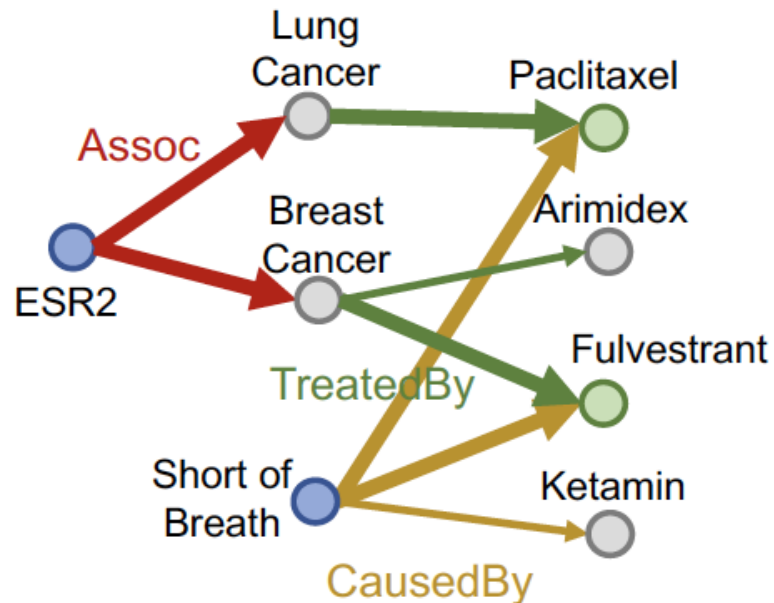


Traverse from the second anchor  
“Short of Breath” by relation  
“CausedBy”, we reach a set of  
entities {“Fulvestrant”,  
“Ketamin”, “Paclitaxel”}

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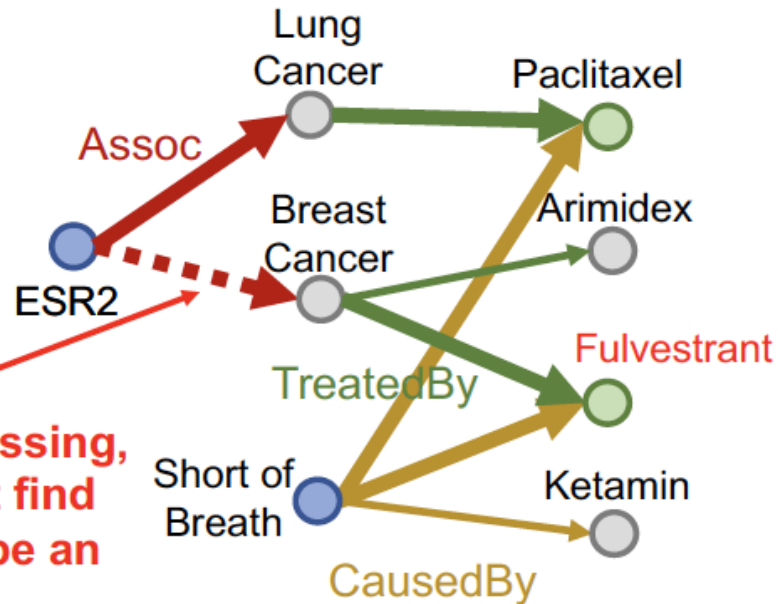


We take intersection between the two sets and get the answers {"Fulvestrant", "Paclitaxel"}

# Traversing KG for Conjunctive Queries

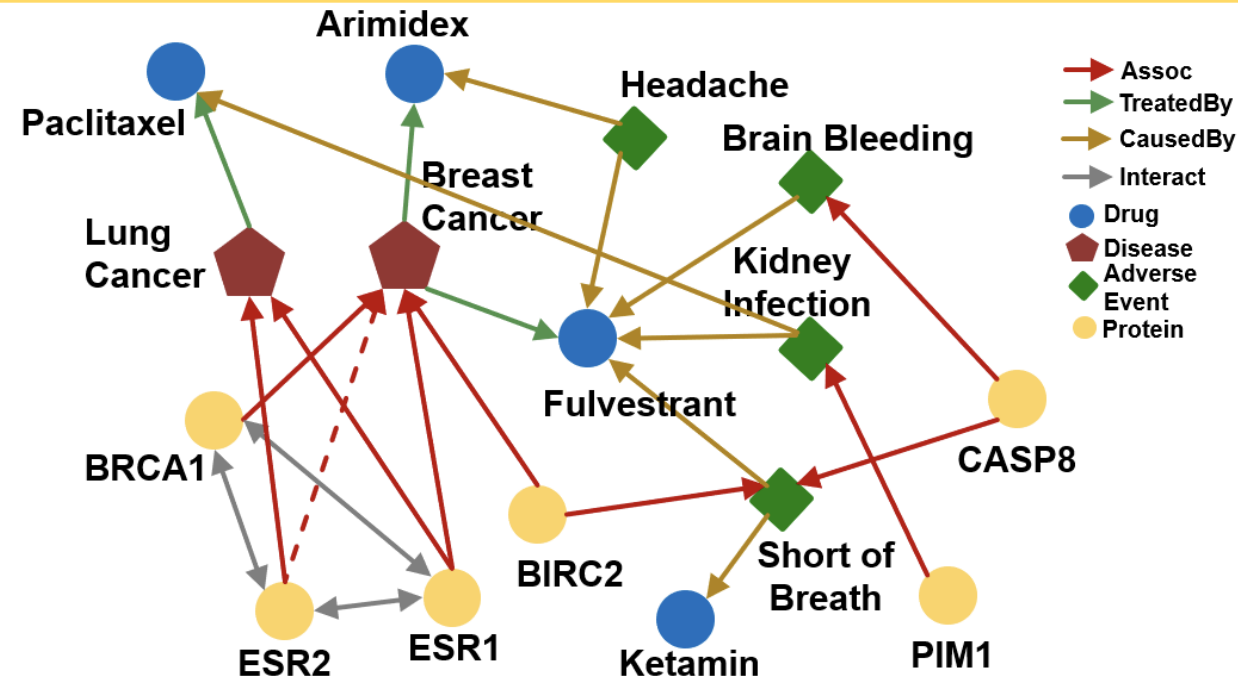
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If this link is missing,  
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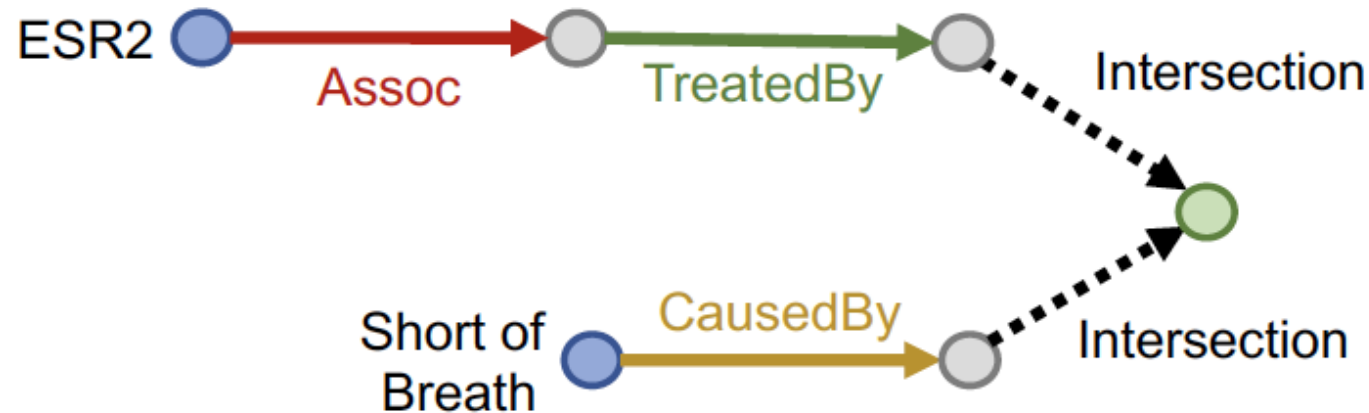
# Traversing KG for Conjunctive Queries



- How can we use embeddings to implicitly impute the missing (ESR2, Assoc, Breast Cancer)?
- **Intuition:** ESR2 interacts with both BRCA1 and ESR1. Both proteins are associated with breast cancer.

# Traversing KG in Vector Space

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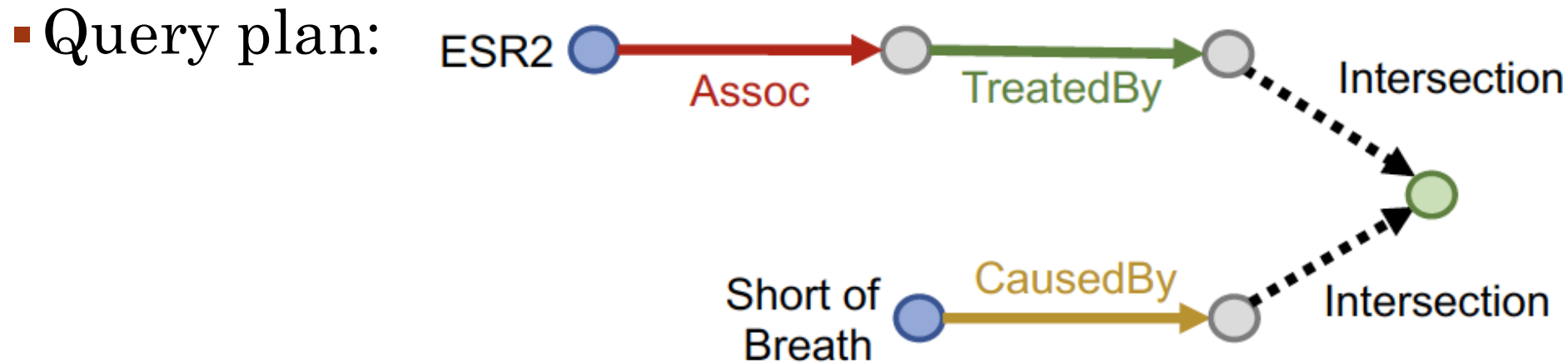


# Query2Box: Reasoning over KGs Using Box Embedding

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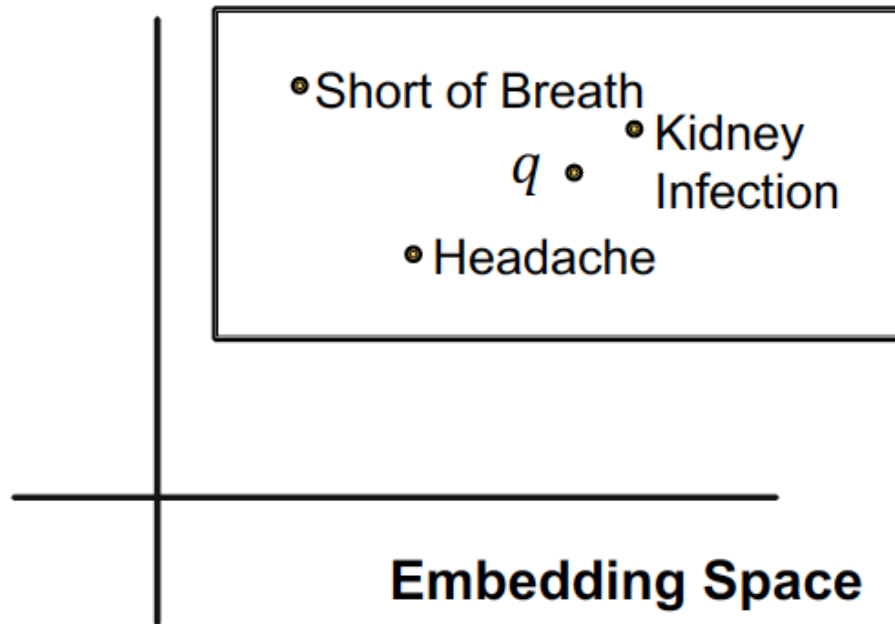


- (1) Each intermediate node represents a set of entities; how do we represent it?
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# Box Embedding

- Embed queries with hyper-rectangles (boxes)

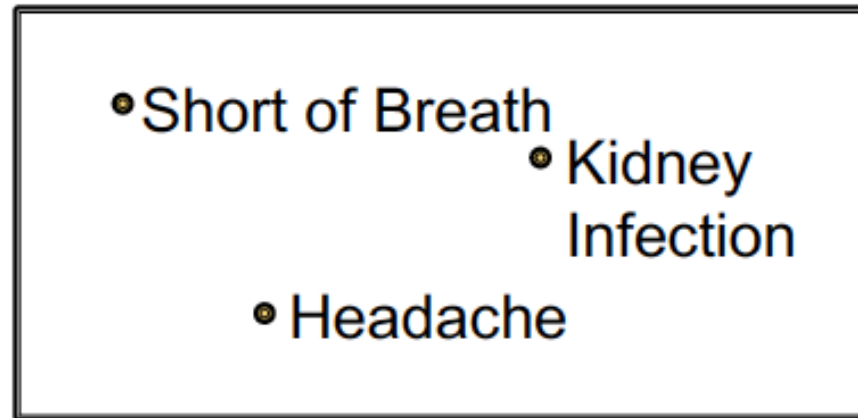
$$q = (Center(q), Offset(q))$$



For example, we can embed the adverse events of Fulvestrant with a box that enclose all the answer entities.

# Key Insight: Intersection

- Intersection of boxes is well-defined!
- When we traverse the KG to find the answers, each step produces a set of reachable entities.
- How can we better model these sets?
  - Boxes are a **powerful abstraction**, as we can project the center and control the offset to model the set of entities enclosed in the box



# Embed with Box Embedding

- Things to figure out:

- Entity embeddings (# params:  $d|V|$ ):

- Entities are seen as zero-volume boxes

- Relation embeddings (# params  $2d|R|$  )

- Each relation takes a box and produces a new box

- Intersection operator  $f$  :

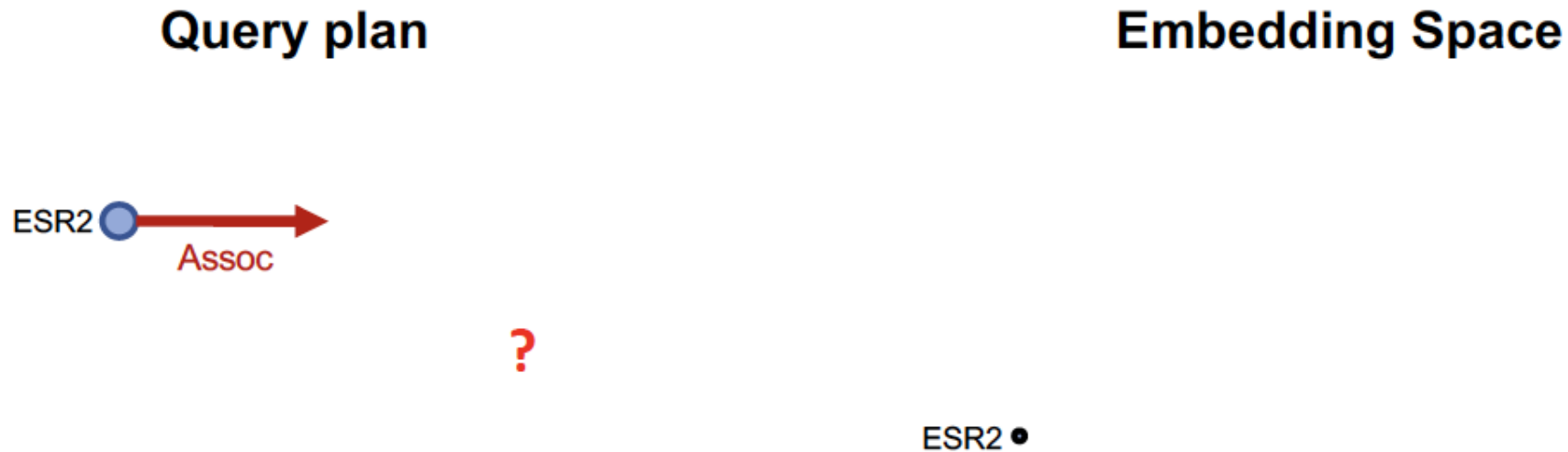
- New operator, inputs are boxes and output is a box
    - Intuitively models intersection of boxes

- Notations:

- $d$ : out degree
  - $|V|$ : # entities
  - $|R|$ : # relations

# Embed with Box Embedding

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- Traverse KG from anchor nodes: **ESR2** and **Short of Breath**:



# Projection Operator

## Projection Operator $\mathcal{P}$

- Intuition:

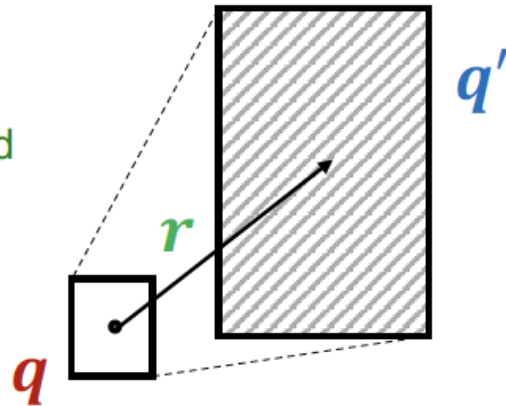
- Take the current box as input and use the **relation embedding** to project and expand the box!

- $\mathcal{P}: \text{Box} \times \text{Relation} \rightarrow \text{Box}$

$$\text{Cen}(q') = \text{Cen}(q) + \text{Cen}(r)$$

$$\text{Off}(q') = \text{Off}(q) + \text{Off}(r)$$

"x" (cross) means the projection operator is a **relation** from any box and **relation** to a new box



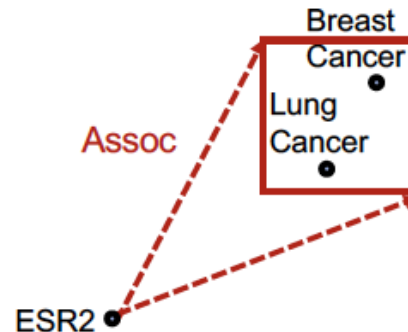
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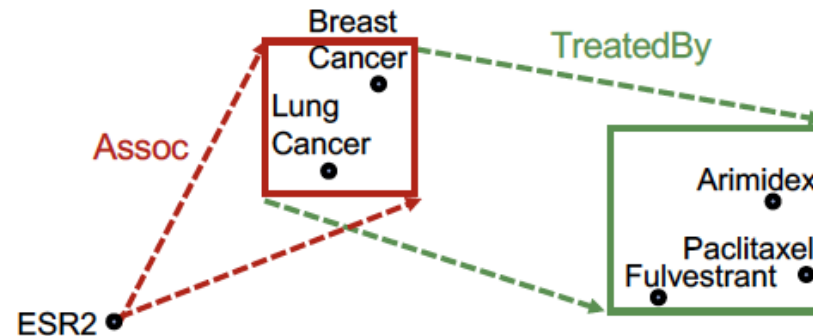
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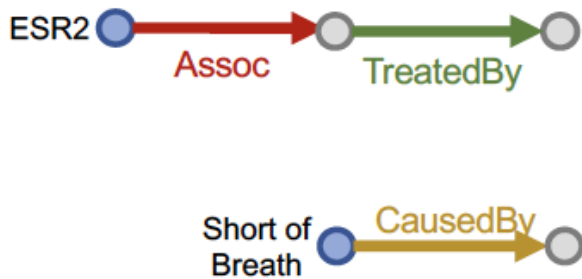
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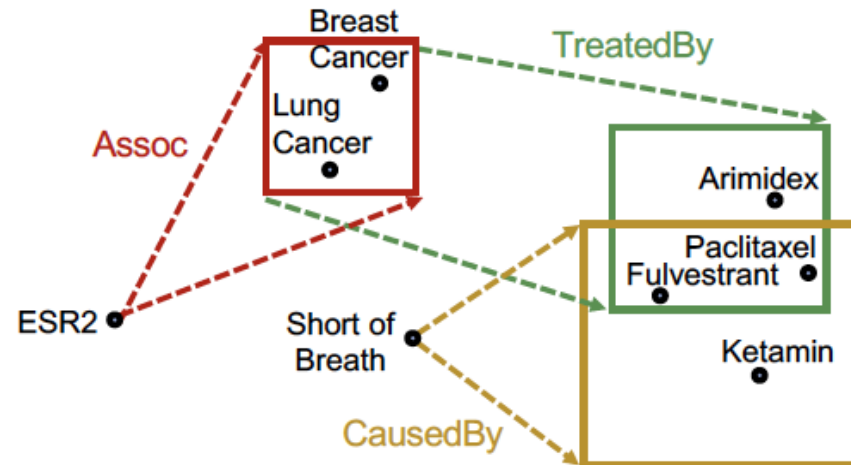
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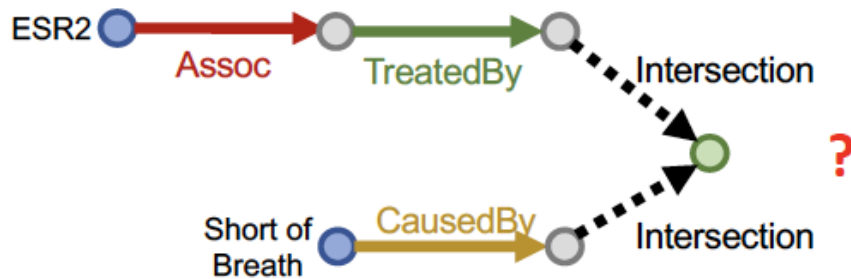
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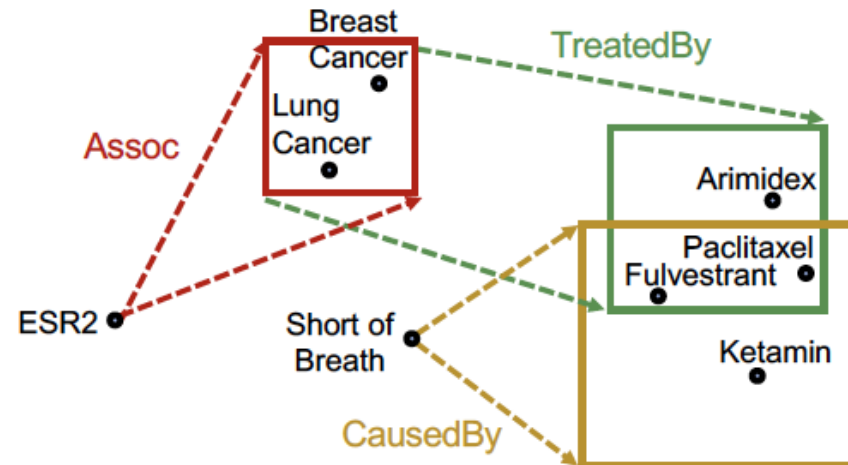
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- How do we take intersection of boxes?

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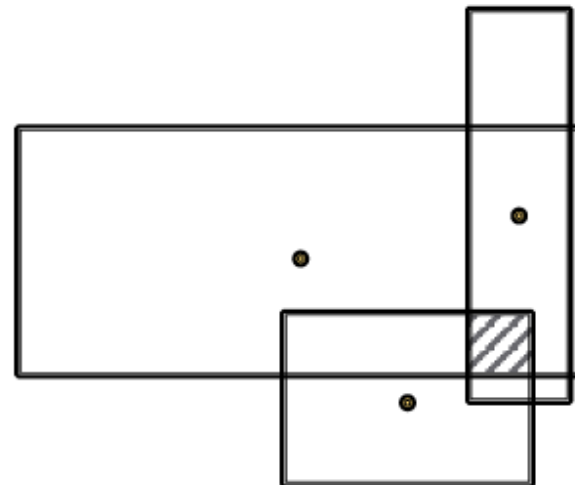
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# Intersection Operator

## ■ Geometric Intersection Operator $\mathcal{I}$

- Take multiple boxes as input and produce the intersection box
- Intuition:
  - The center of the new box should be “close” to the centers of the input boxes
  - The offset (box size) should **shrink** (since the size of the intersected set is smaller than the size of all the input set)
- $\mathcal{I}: Box \times Box \times \cdots \times Box \rightarrow Box$



# Intersection Operator

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$$\mathcal{I}: \text{Box} \times \text{Box} \times \cdots \times \text{Box} \rightarrow \text{Box}$$

$$\text{Cen}(q_{\text{inter}}) = \sum_i w_i \odot \text{Cen}(q_i)$$

$\odot$  : Hadamard product  
(element-wise product)

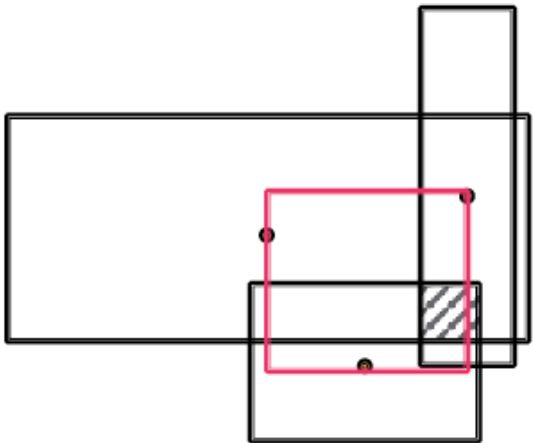
$$w_i = \frac{\exp\left(f_{\text{cen}}(\text{Cen}(q_i))\right)}{\sum_j \exp\left(f_{\text{cen}}(\text{Cen}(q_j))\right)}, \text{Cen}(q_i) \in \mathbb{R}^d, w_i \in \mathbb{R}^d$$

Intuition: The center should be in the **red** region!

Implementation: The center is a **weighted sum** of the input box centers

$w_i \in \mathbb{R}^d$  is calculated by a neural network  $f_{\text{cen}}$  (with trainable weights)

$w_i$  represents a “self-attention” score for the center of each input  $\text{Cen}(q_i)$



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$$\text{Off}(q_{\text{inter}}) = \min(\text{Off}(q_1), \text{Off}(q_2), \cdots, \text{Off}(q_n)) \\ \odot \sigma \left( f_{\text{off}}(\text{Off}(q_1), \text{Off}(q_2), \cdots, \text{Off}(q_n)) \right)$$

guarantees shrinking

Sigmoid function:  
squashes output in (0,1)

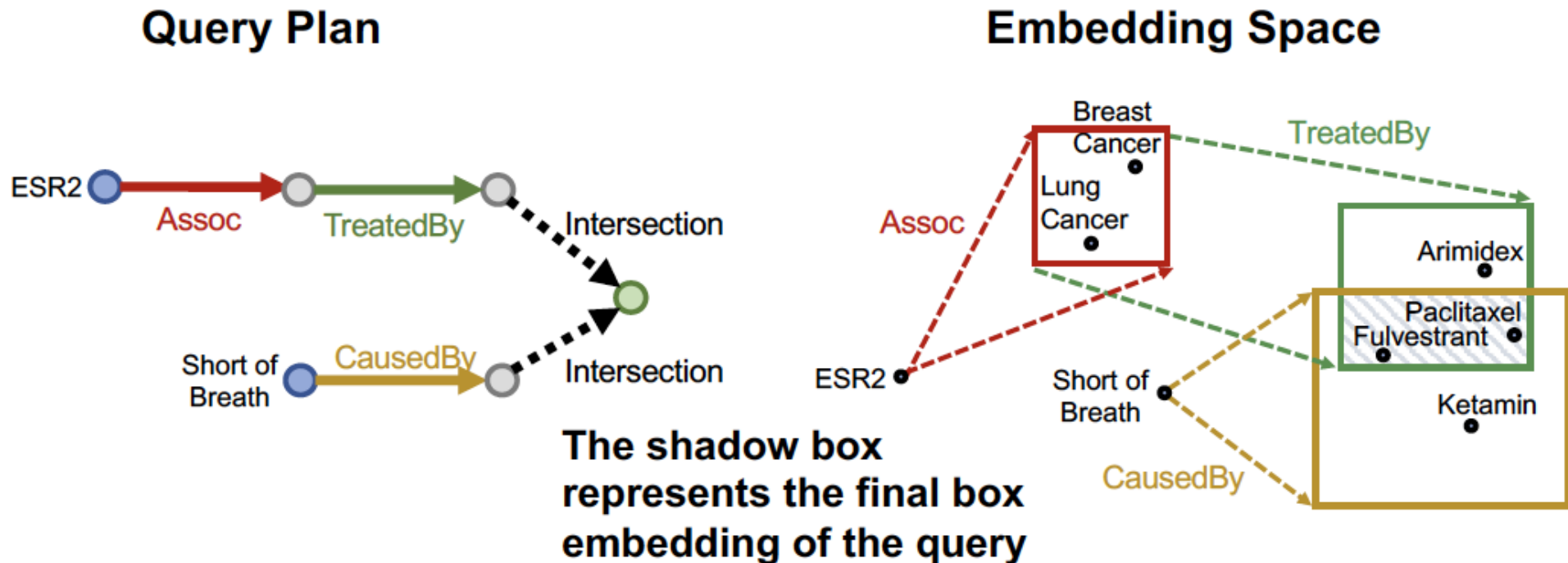
$f_{\text{off}}$  is a neural network (with trainable parameters) that extracts the representation of the input boxes to increase expressiveness

**Intuition:** The offset should be smaller than the offset of the input box

**Implementation:** We first take minimum of the offset of the input box, and then we make the model more expressive by introducing a new function  $f_{\text{off}}$  to extract the representation of the input boxes with a sigmoid function to **guarantee shrinking**.

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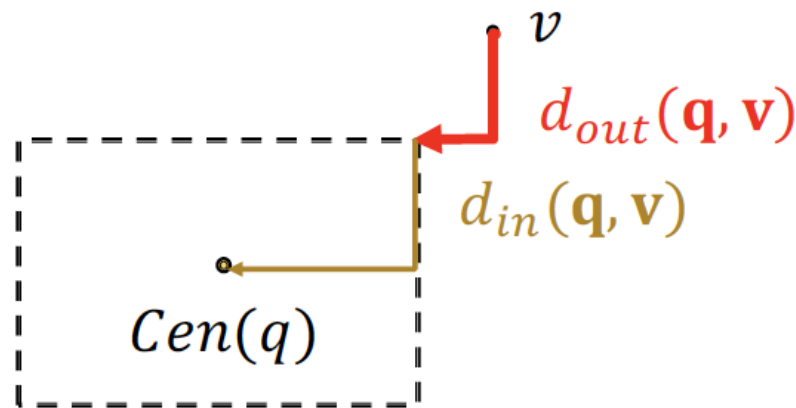


# Entity-to-Box Distance

- How do we define the score function  $f_q(v)$  (negative distance)?
- ( $f_q(v)$  captures inverse **distance** of a node  $v$  as answer to  $q$ )
- Given a query box  $q$  and entity embedding (box)  $v$ ,

$$d_{box}(q, v) = d_{out}(q, v) + \alpha d_{in}(q, v)$$

- where  $0 < \alpha < 1$
- **Intuition:** if the point is enclosed in the box, the distance should be **down-weighted**.
- $f_q(v) = -d_{box}(q, v)$





# Extending to Union Operation

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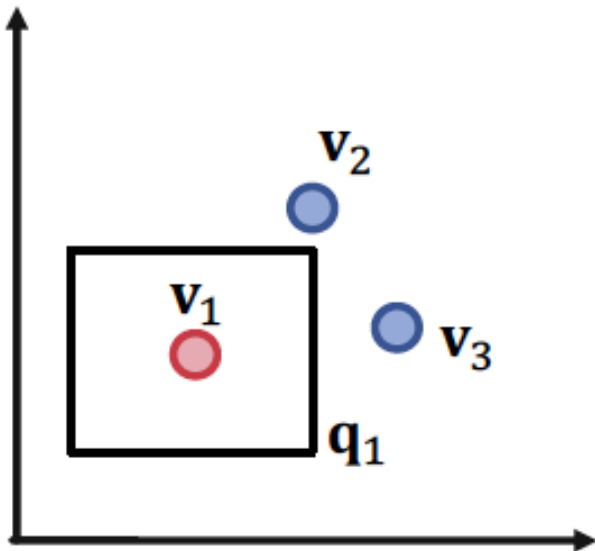
- Can we embed complex queries with **union**?
  - E.g.: “What drug can treat breast cancer **or** lung cancer?”
- **Conjunctive queries + disjunction** is called
  - Existential Positive First-order (EPFO) queries. We'll refer to them as AND-OR queries.
- Can we also design a disjunction operator and embed AND-OR queries in low-dimensional vector space?

# Embedding AND-OR Queries

- Can we embed AND-OR queries in a lowdimensional vector space?
- No! Intuition: Allowing union over arbitrary queries requires high-dimensional embeddings!
- Example:
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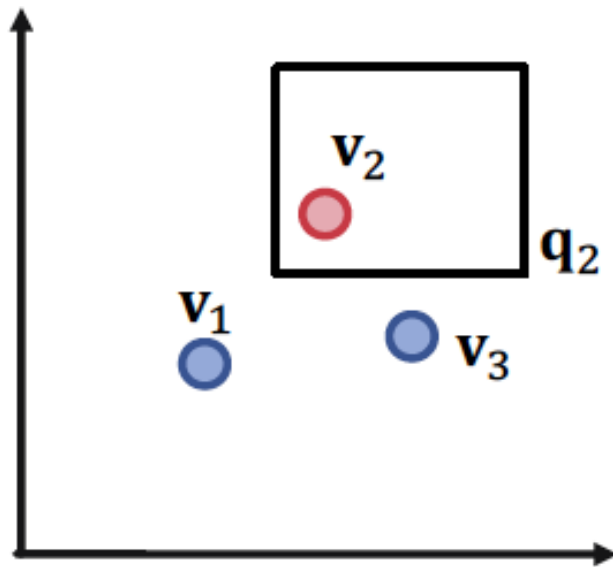
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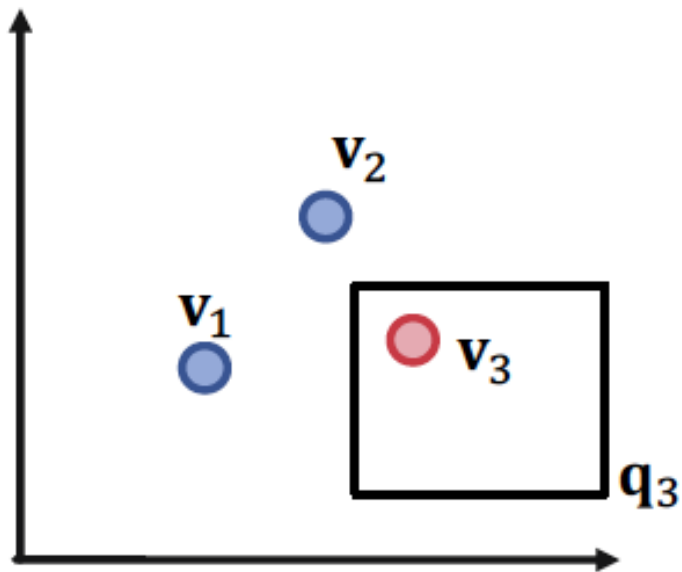
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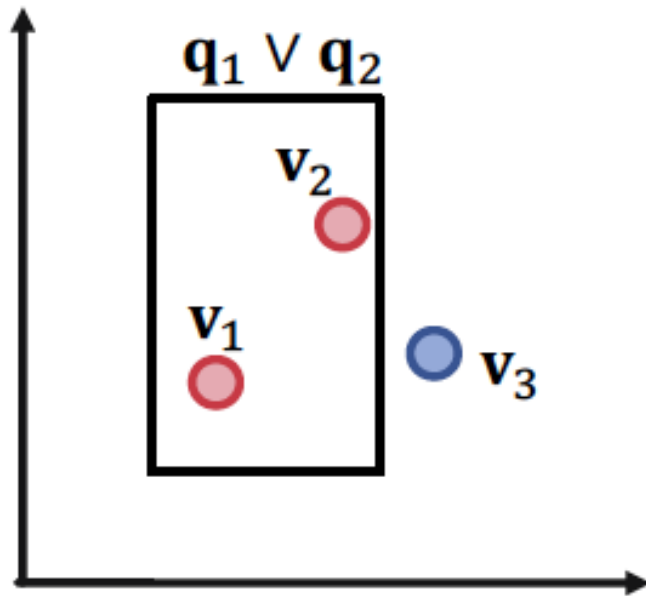
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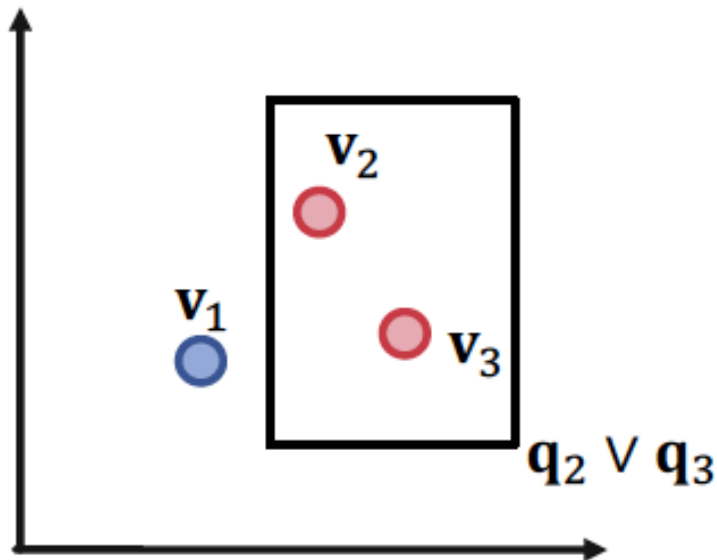
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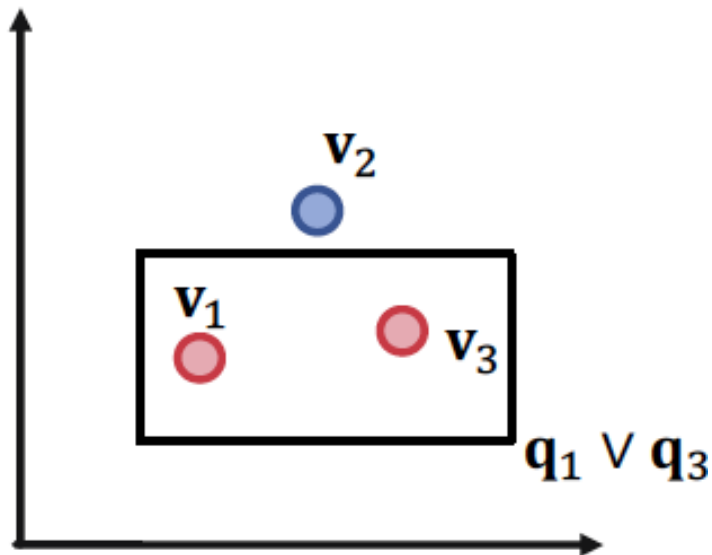
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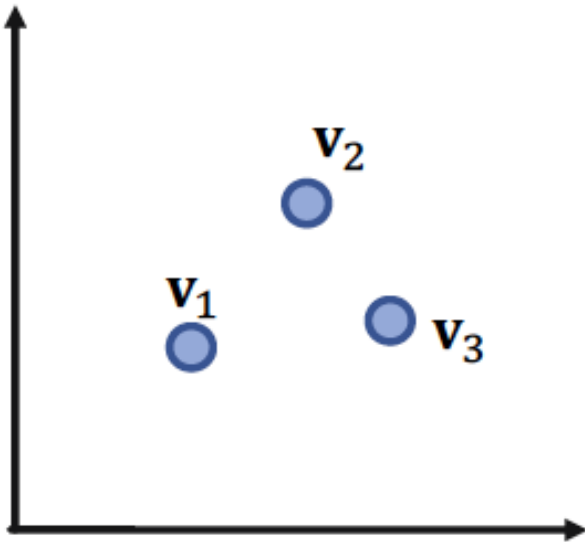


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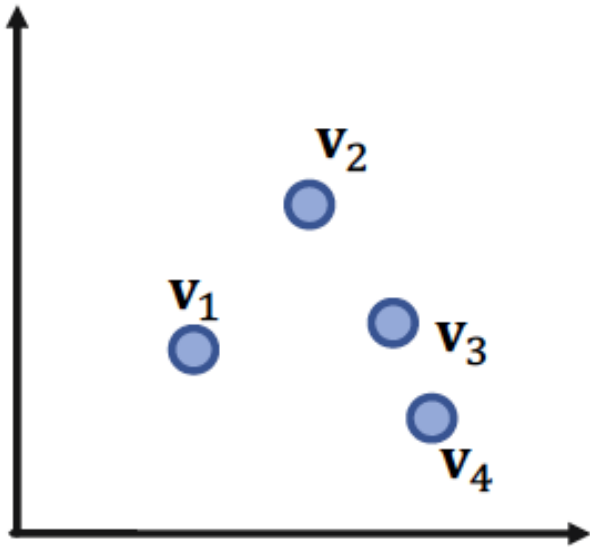
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For 3 points, 2-dimension is okay!  
How about 4 points?

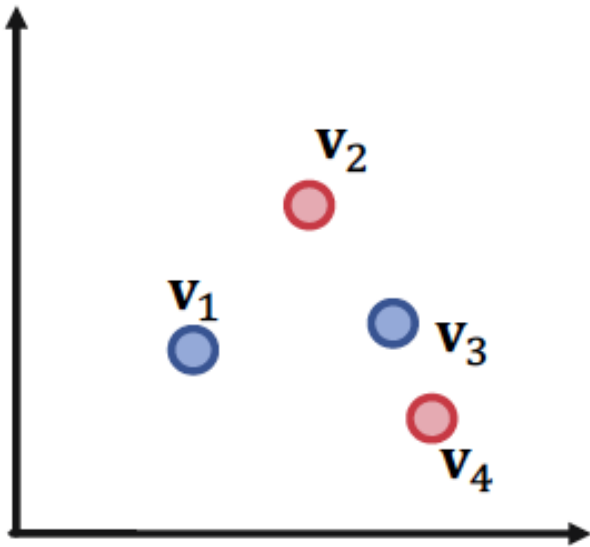
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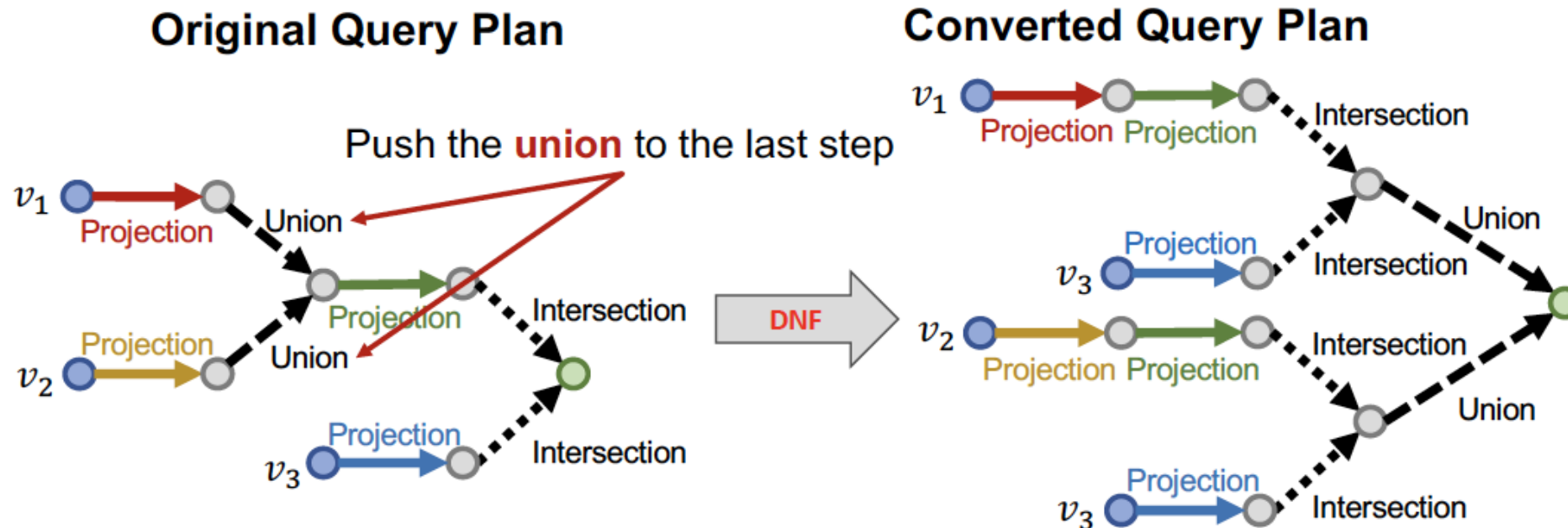
We cannot design a box embedding for  $q_2 \vee q_4$ , that only  $v_2$ , and  $v_4$  are in the box but  $v_1$  and  $v_3$  are outside the box.

# Embedding AND-OR Queries (2)

- Can we embed AND-OR queries in low dimensional vector space?
  - **Conclusion:** Given any  $M$  conjunctive queries  $q_1, q_2, \dots, q_M$  with **non-overlapping** answers, we need dimensionality of  $\Theta(M)$  to handle all OR queries.
    - For real-world KG, such as FB15k, we find  $M \geq 13,365$ , where  $V = 14,951$ .
    - Remember, this is for arbitrary OR queries.

# Embedding AND-OR Queries (3)

- Since we **cannot embed** AND-OR queries in low dimensional space, can we still handle them?
- Key idea: take all unions out and only do union **at the last step!**



# Disjunctive Normal Form

- Any AND-OR query can be transformed into equivalent DNF, i.e., **disjunction of conjunctive queries**.

- Given any AND-OR query  $q$ ,

$$q = q_1 \vee q_2 \vee \cdots \vee q_m$$

where  $q_i$  is a **conjunctive query**.

- Now we can first embed each  $q_i$  and then “**aggregate**” at the last step!

# Distance between $q$ and an Entity

- Distance between entity embedding and a DNF  $q = q_1 \vee q_2 \vee \cdots \vee q_m$  is defined as:

$$d_{box}(q, v) = \min(d_{box}(q_1, v), d_{box}(q_2, v), \dots, d_{box}(q_m, v))$$

- Intuition:**

- As long as  $v$  is the answer to one conjunctive query  $q_i$ , then  $v$  should be the answer to  $q$
- As long as  $v$  is close to one conjunctive query  $q_i$ , then  $v$  should be close to  $q$  in the embedding space

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- The process of embedding any AND-OR query  $q$ 
  - Transform  $q$  to equivalent DNF  $q_1 \vee q_2 \vee \cdots \vee q_m$
  - Embed  $q_1$  to  $q_m$
  - Calculate the (box) distance  $d_{box}(q_i, v)$
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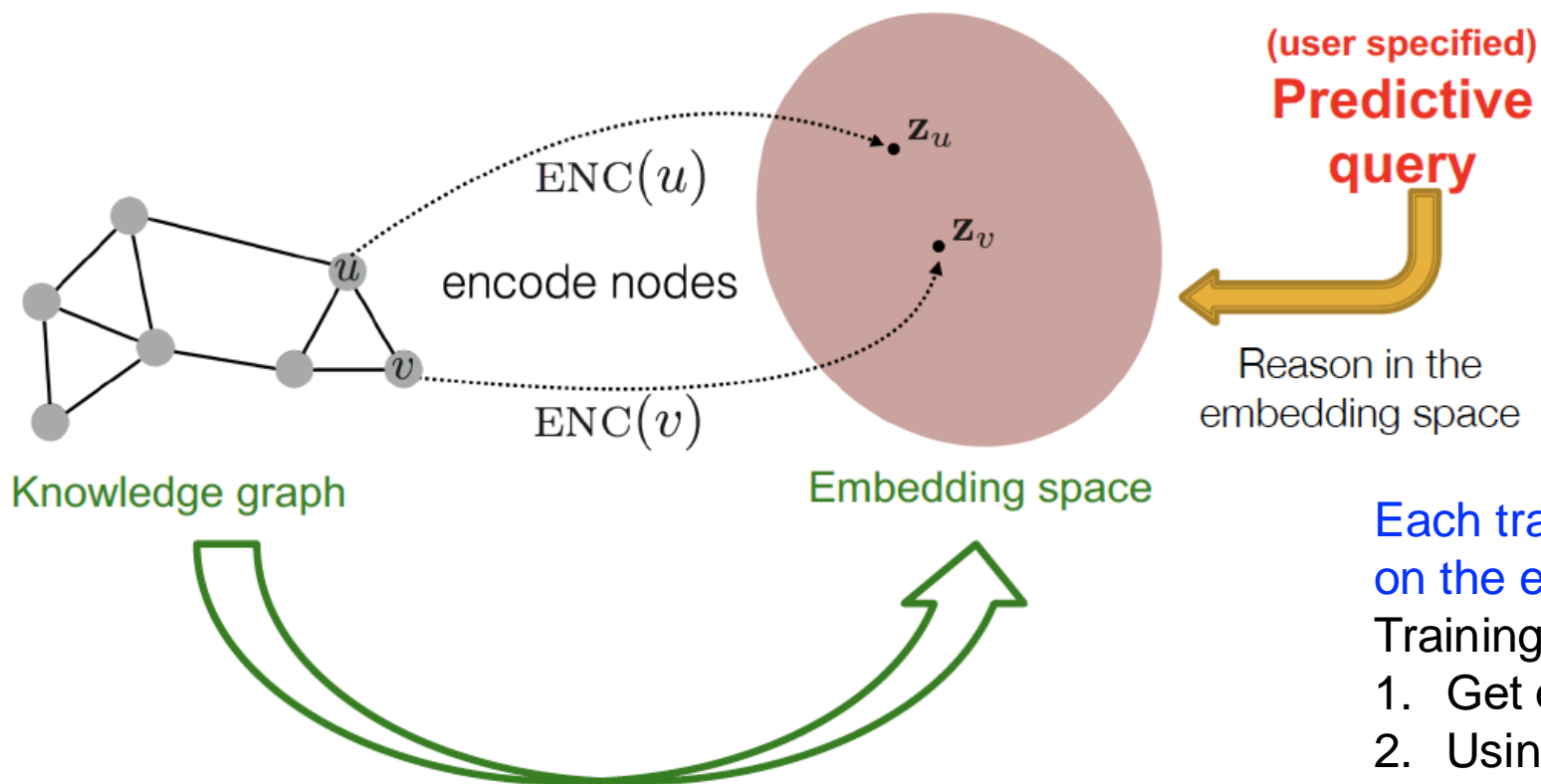
# How to Train Query2Box

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# Training Overview

- Overview and Intuition (similar to KG completion):
  - Given a query embedding  $\mathbf{q}$ , maximize the score  $f_q(v)$  for answers  $v \in \llbracket q \rrbracket$  and minimize the score  $f_q(v)$  for negative answers  $v \notin \llbracket q \rrbracket$
- Trainable parameters:
  - Entity embeddings with  $d|V|$  # params
  - Relation embeddings with  $2d|R|$  # params
  - Intersection operator
- How to achieve a query, its answers, its negative answers from the KG to train the parameters?
- How to split the KG for query answering?

# Training Overview



Generate a set of training queries  $(q, v, v')$ .  
Train entity embeddings and operators to minimize the loss (i.e., to answer the training queries correctly).

Each training query provides a “constrain” on the embeddings of entities.

Training loop:

1. Get query  $(q, v, v')$
2. Using current operators, embed  $q$ .
3. Compute the loss to update entity embs. and operators

# Training: Details

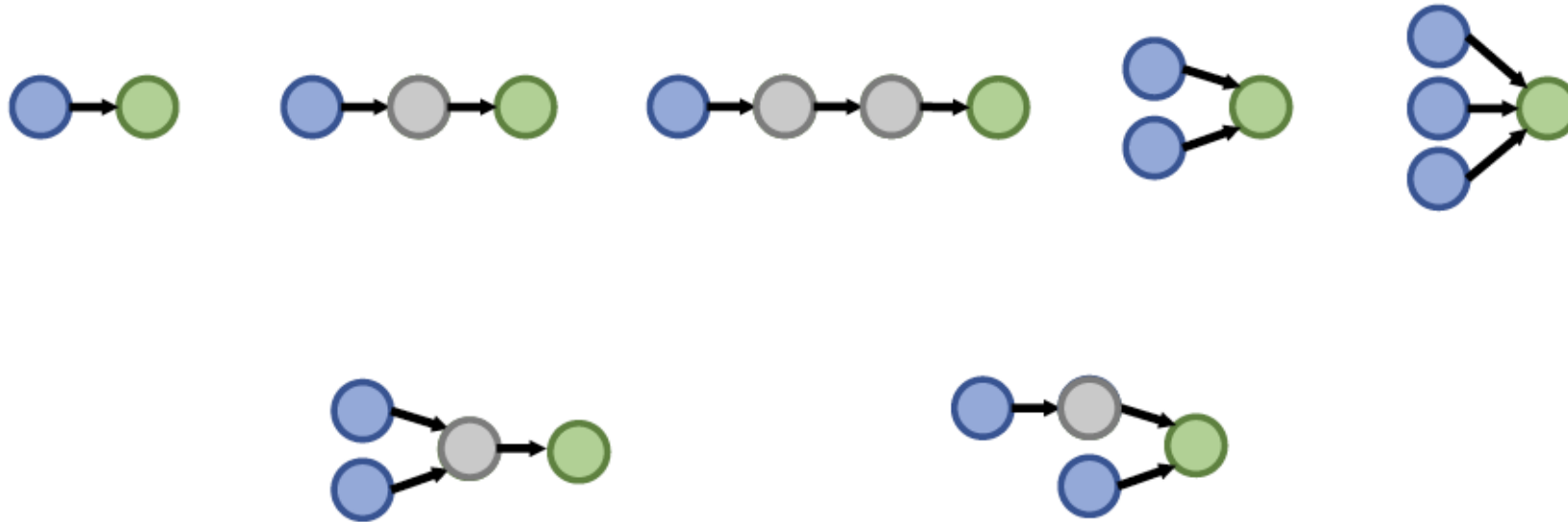
## ■ Training

1. Sample a query  $q$  from the training graph  $G_{train}$ , **answer**  $v \in \llbracket q \rrbracket_{G_{train}}$  and **non-answer**  $v' \notin \llbracket q \rrbracket_{G_{train}}$
2. Embed the query  $q$ 
  - Use current operators, to compute query embedding.
3. Calculate the score  $f_q(v)$  and  $f_q(v')$
4. Optimize embeddings and operators to minimize the loss  $l$  (maximize  $f_q(v)$  while minimizing  $f_q(v')$ )

$$l = -\log \sigma \left( f_q(v) \right) - \log \left( 1 - \sigma \left( f_q(v') \right) \right)$$

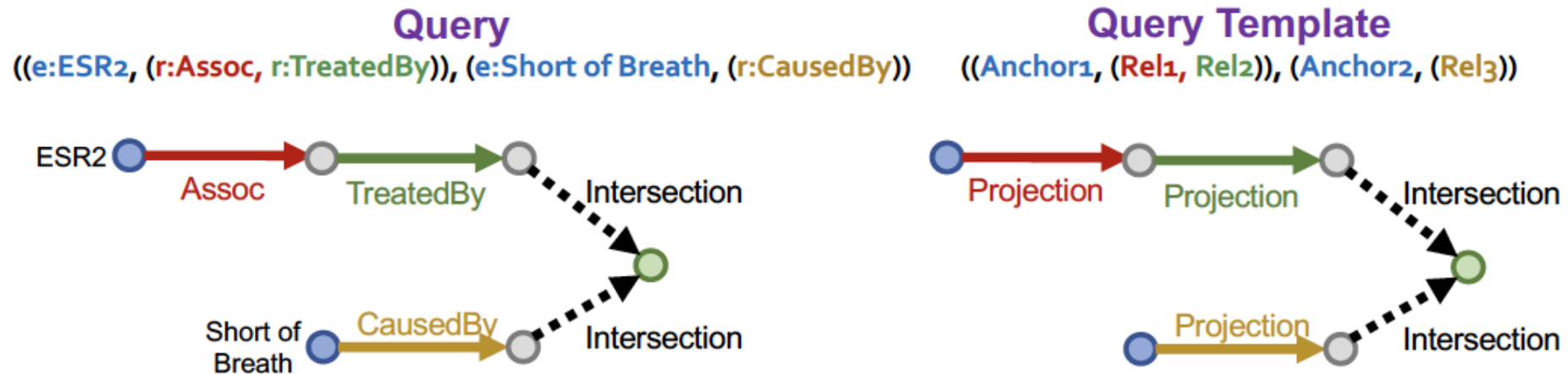
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- Generate queries from multiple query templates:



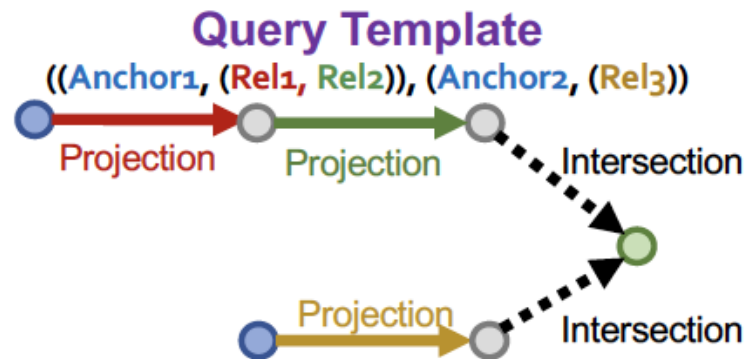
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- How can we generate a complex query?
- We start with a query template
- Query template is an abstraction of the query
- We generate a query by instantiating every variable with a concrete entity and relation from the KG
  - E.g., instantiate **Anchor1** with **ESR2** (a node on KG)
  - E.g., instantiate **Rel1** with **Assoc** (an edge on KG)
- How to instantiate query template given a KG?



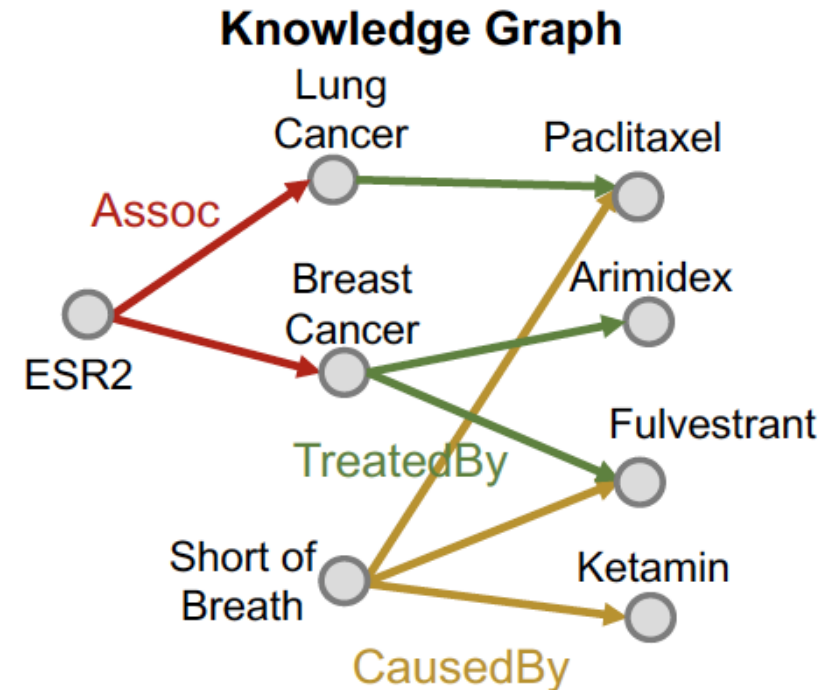
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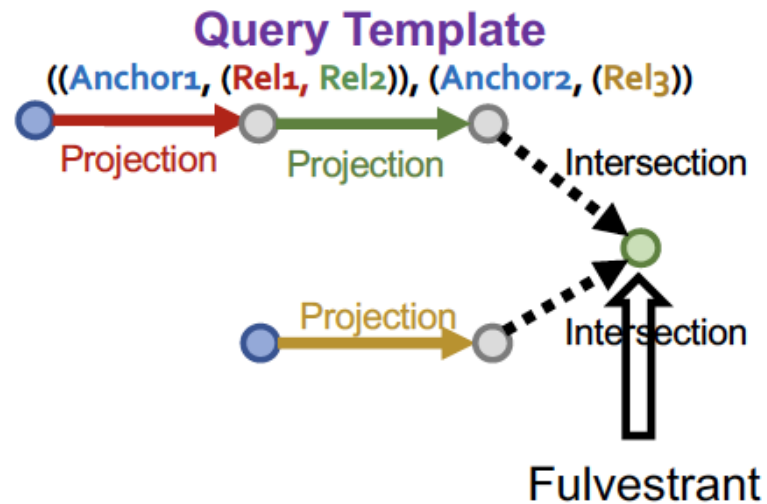
Overview:

Start from instantiating the **answer node** of the query template and then iteratively instantiate the other edges and nodes until we ground **all the anchor nodes**



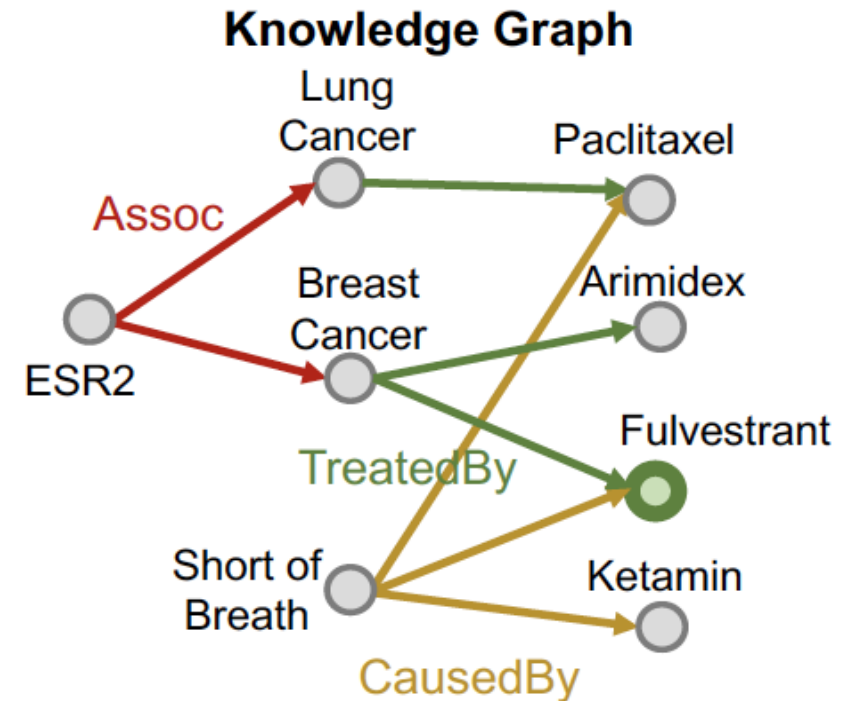
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Start from instantiating the **root node** of the query template.

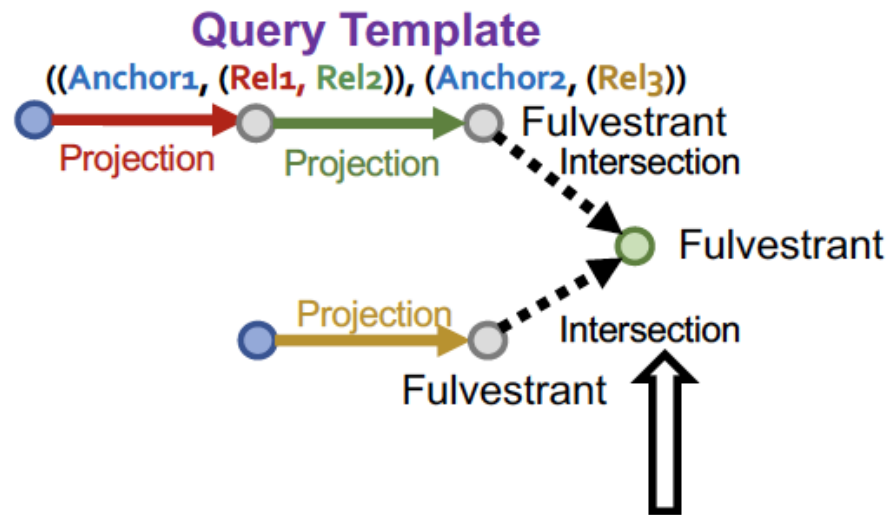
Randomly pick one entity from KG as the root node, e.g., we pick **Fulvestrant**.



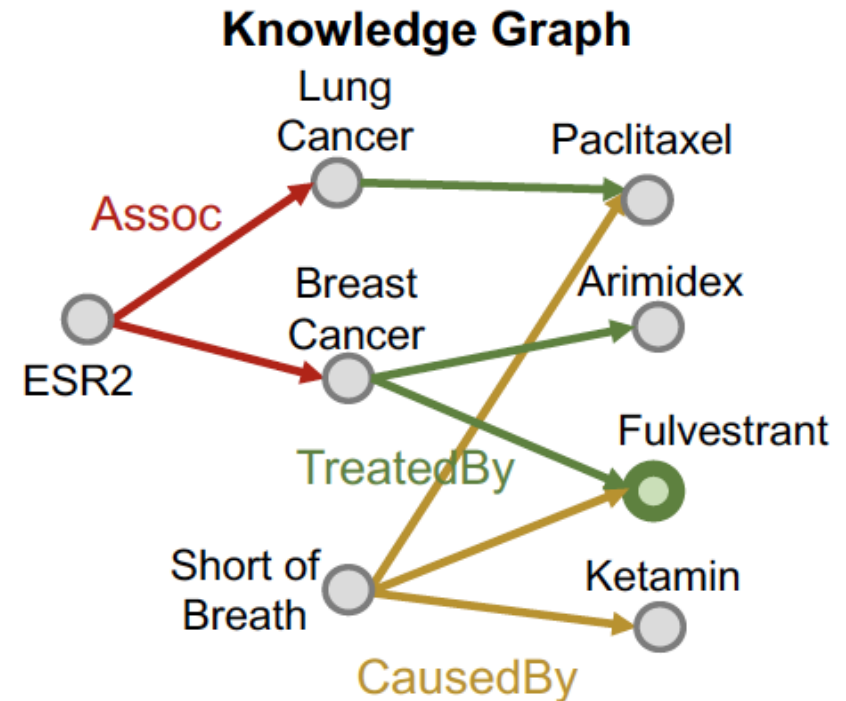


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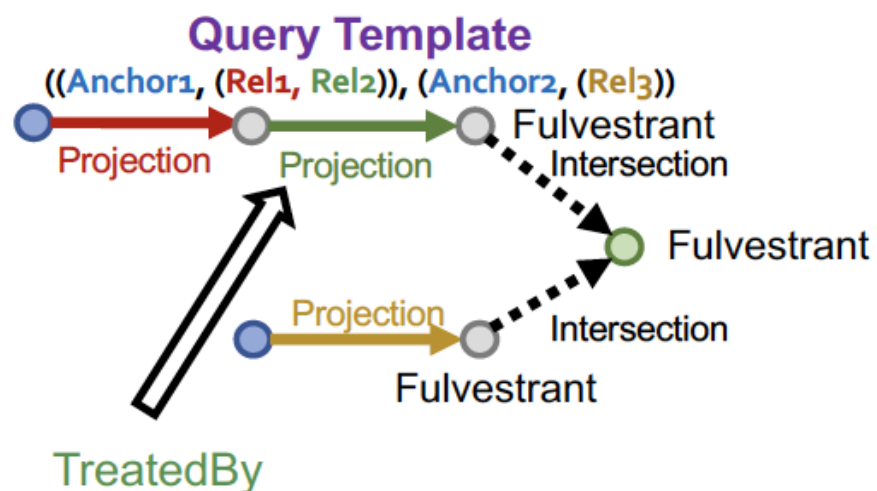


Now we look at intersection.  
What we have is that the  
intersection of the sets of entities  
is **Fulvestrant**, then naturally the  
two sets should also contain  
**Fulvestrant**.



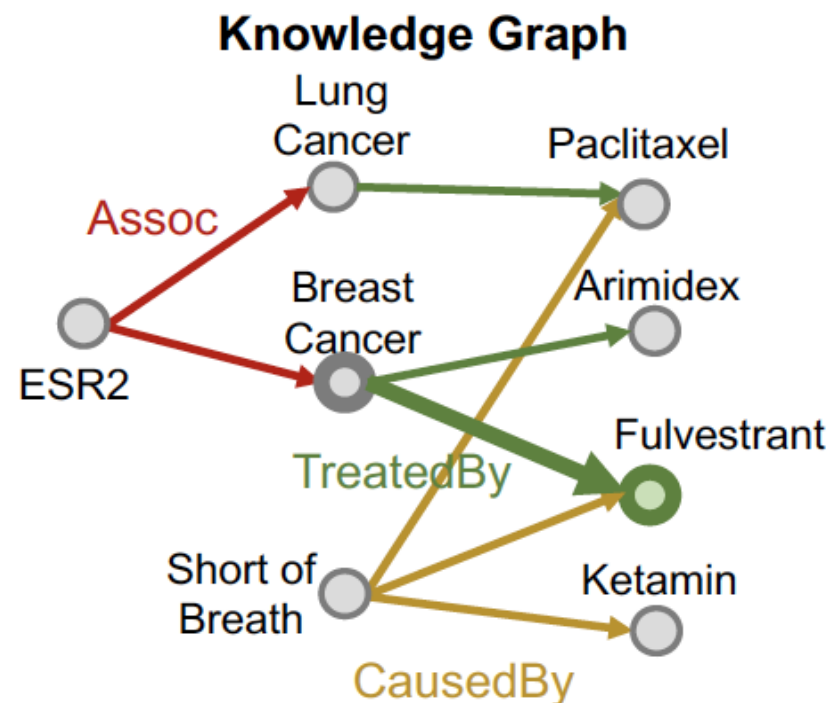
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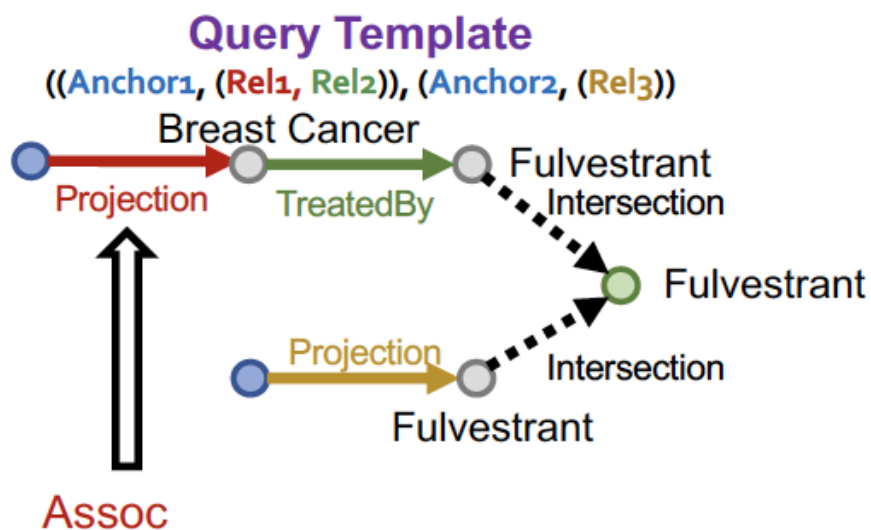
We instantiate the **Projection** edge in the template by randomly sample one relation associated with the current entity **Fulvestrant**.

For example, we may select relation **TreatedBy**, and check what entities are connected to **Fulvestrant** with **TreatedBy**: {Breast Cancer}.

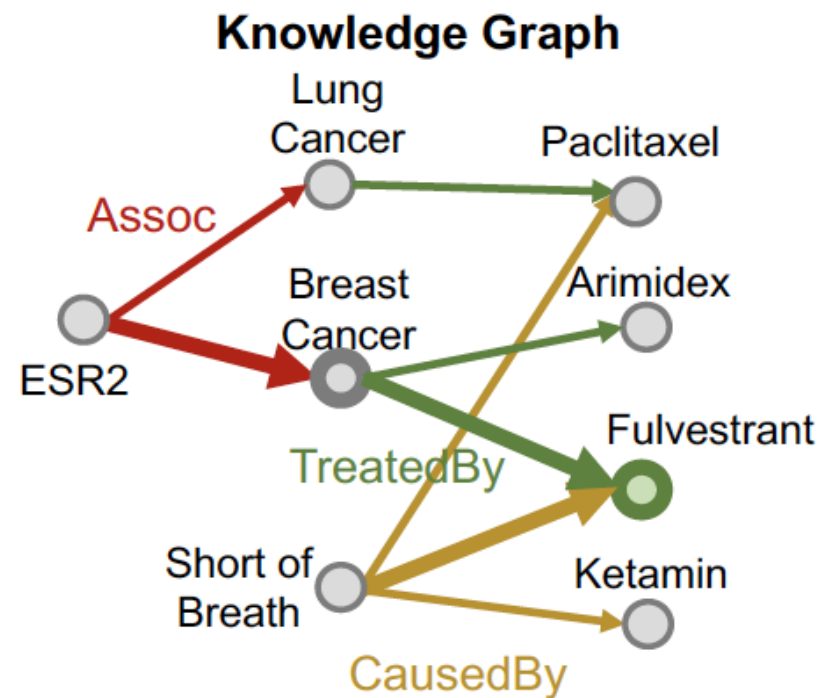


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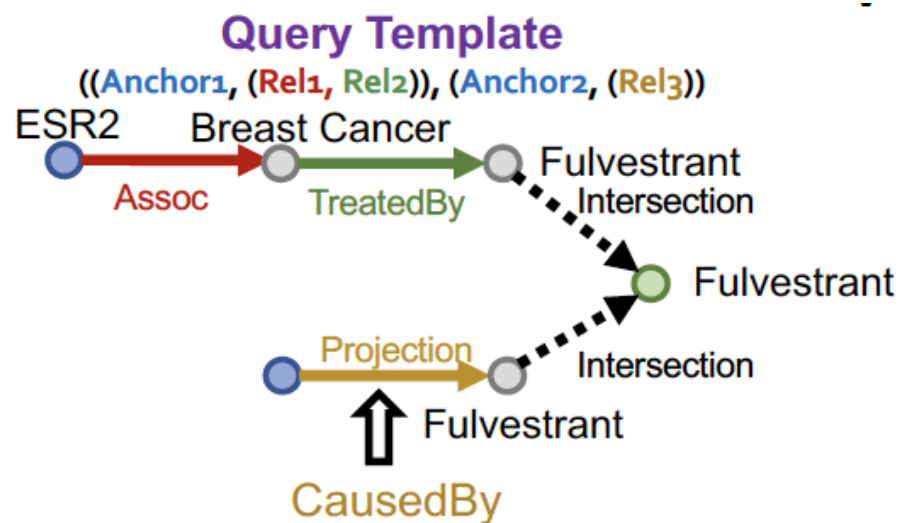


We first look at one branch and ground the **Projection edge** with the relation associated with **Breast Cancer**, e.g., **Assoc**. Then we check what entities are connected to **Breast Cancer** with **Assoc**: {**ESR2**}.

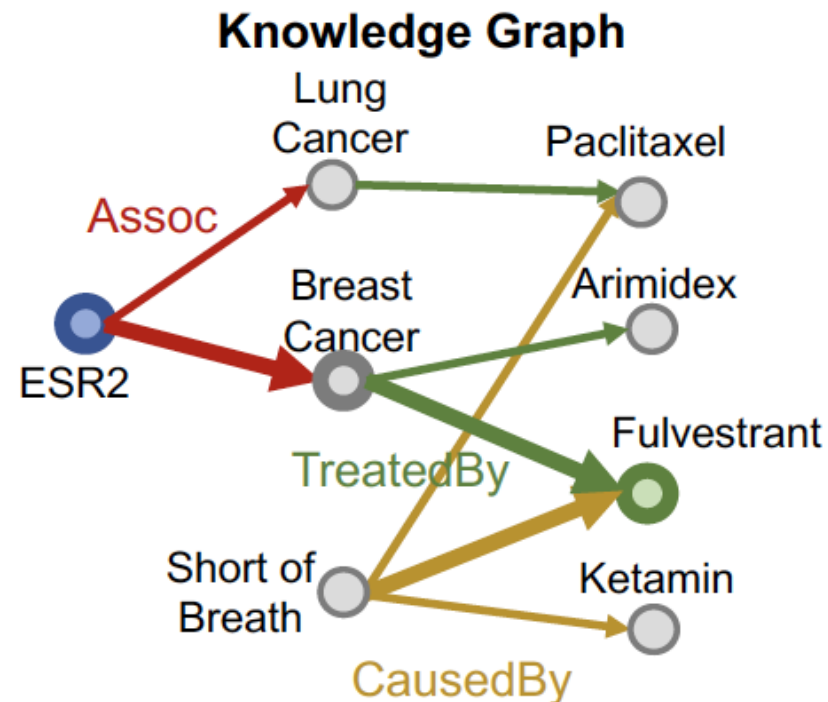


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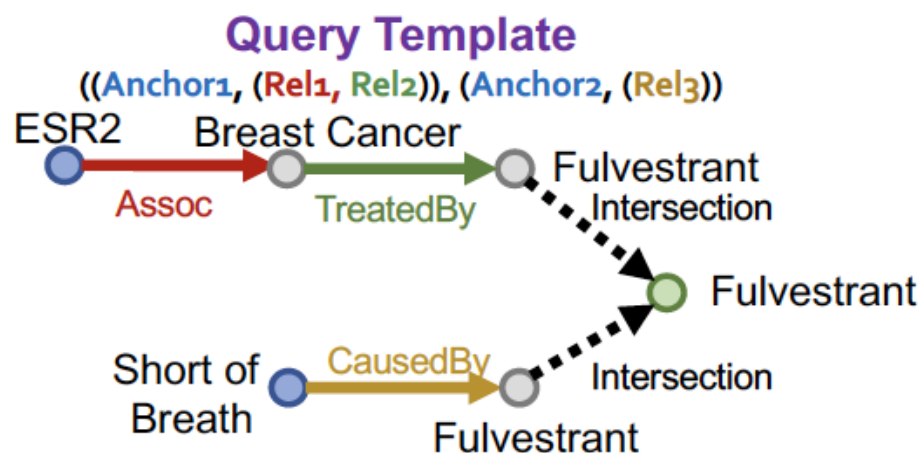


Then we look at the second branch and ground the **Projection edge** with the relation associated with **Fulvestrant**, e.g., **CausedBy**. Then we check what entities are connected to **Fulvestrant** with **CausedBy**: {Short of Breath}.

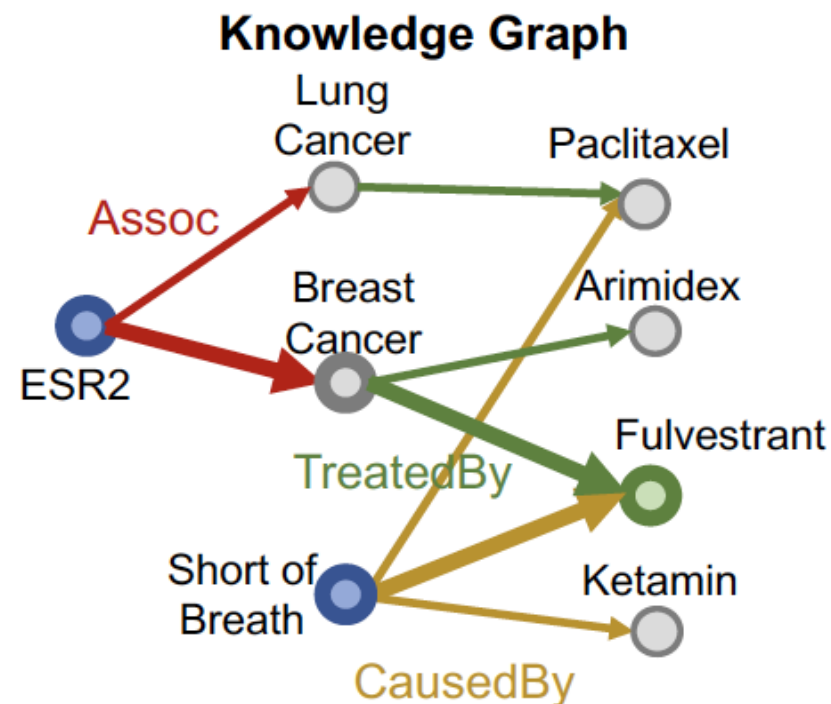


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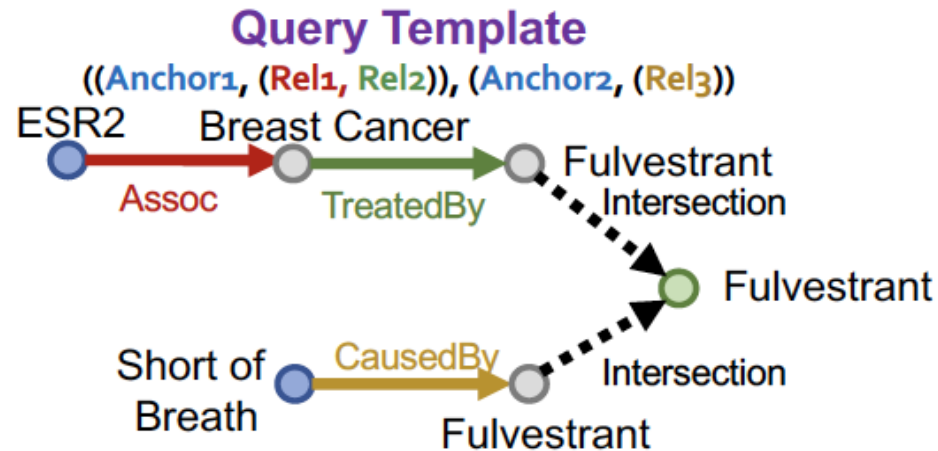


We select entity from {**Short of Breath**}, set it as the anchor node.



# Query Generation from Templates

- How to instantiate a query template given a KG?



- Now, we instantiated a **query**  $q$ !
- $q$ :  $((\text{e:ESR2}, (\text{r:Assoc}, \text{r:TreatedBy})), (\text{e:Short of Breath}, (\text{r:CausedBy})))$
- The query  $q$  **must** have answers on the KG and one of the answers is the instantiated answer node: **Fulvestrant**.
- We may obtain the full set of answers  $\llbracket q \rrbracket_G$  by **KG traversal**.
- We can sample negative answers  $v' \notin \llbracket q \rrbracket_G$

# Example of Query2Box

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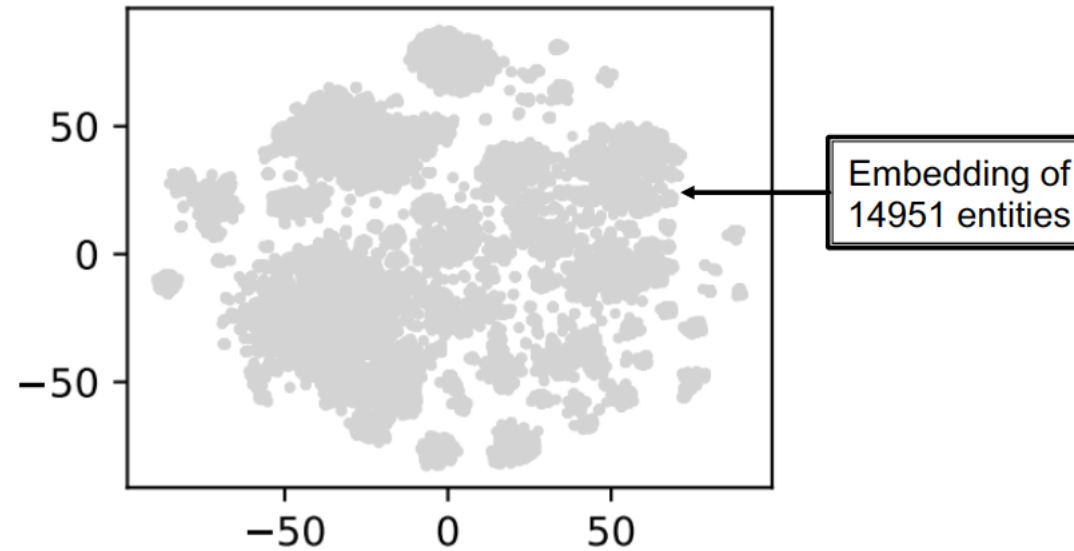
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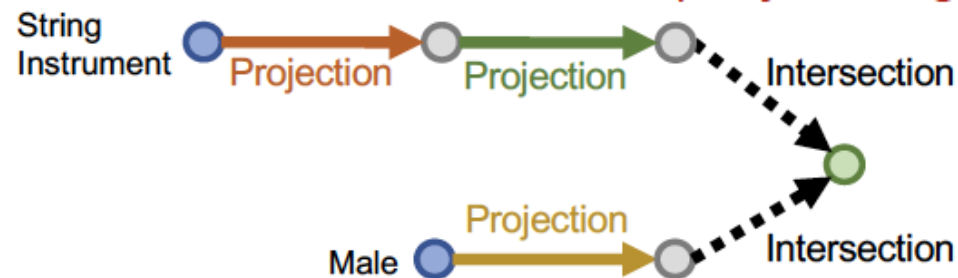
- What do box embeddings actually learn?
- Example: “List male instrumentalists who play string instruments”
- We use t-SNE to reduce the embedding space to a 2-dimensional space, in order to visualize the query results



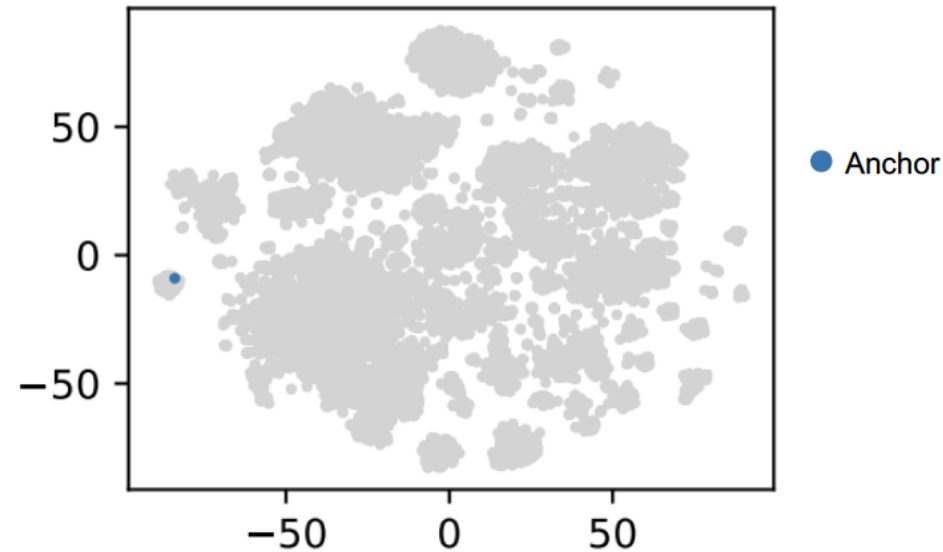
# Embedding Space



- “List male instrumentalists who play string instruments”



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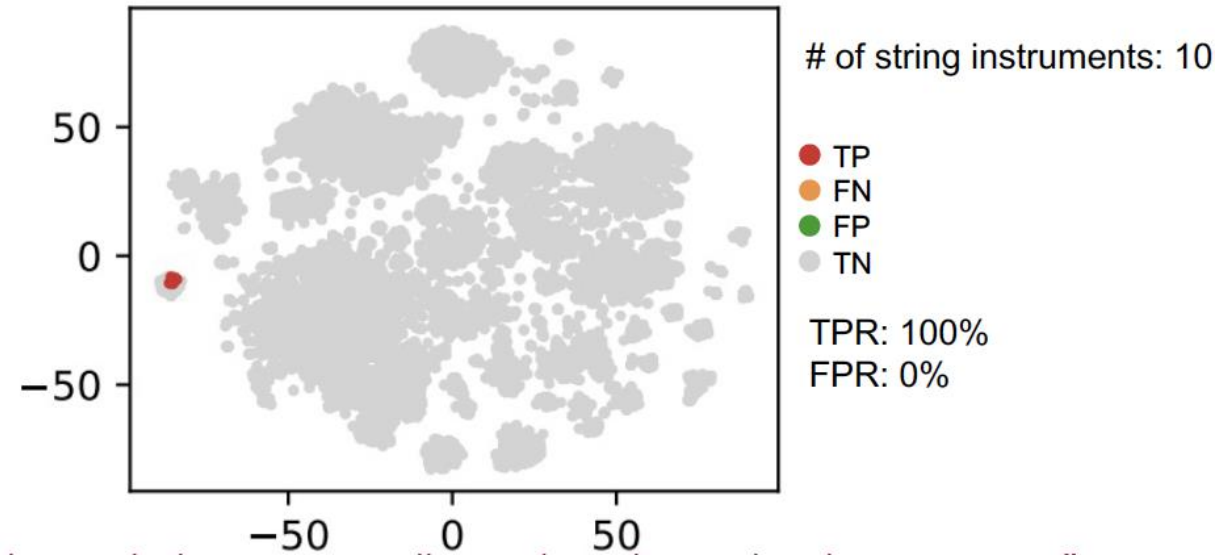


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String  
Instrument



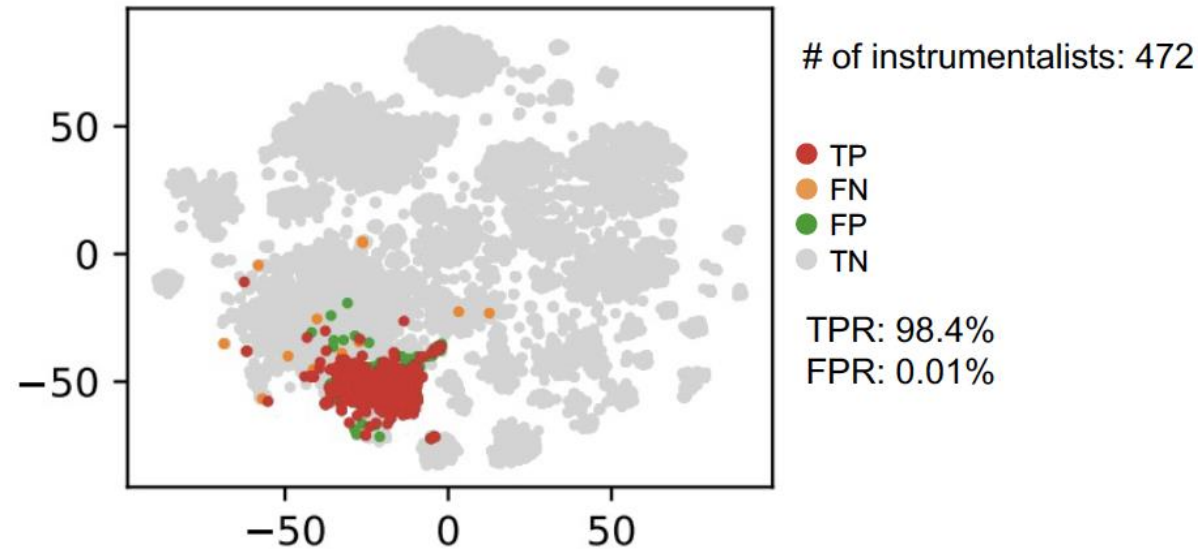
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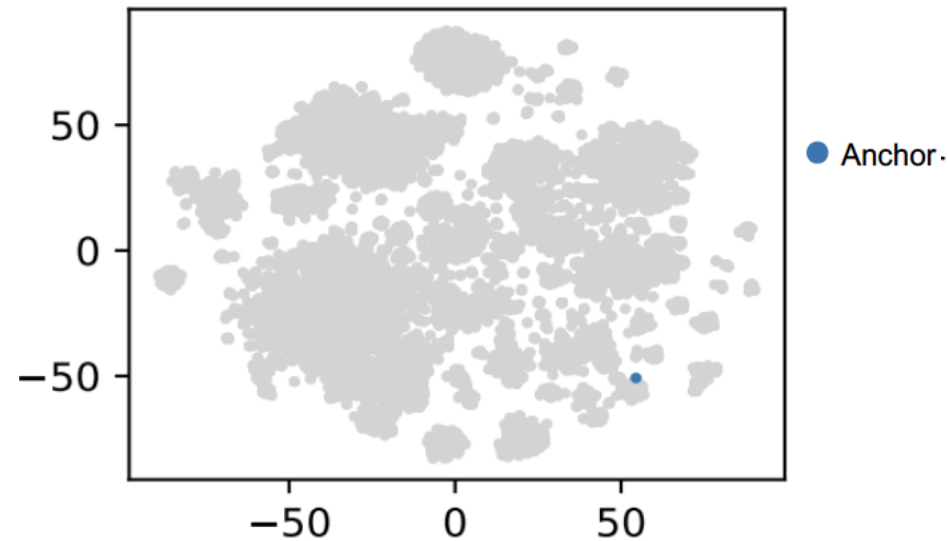
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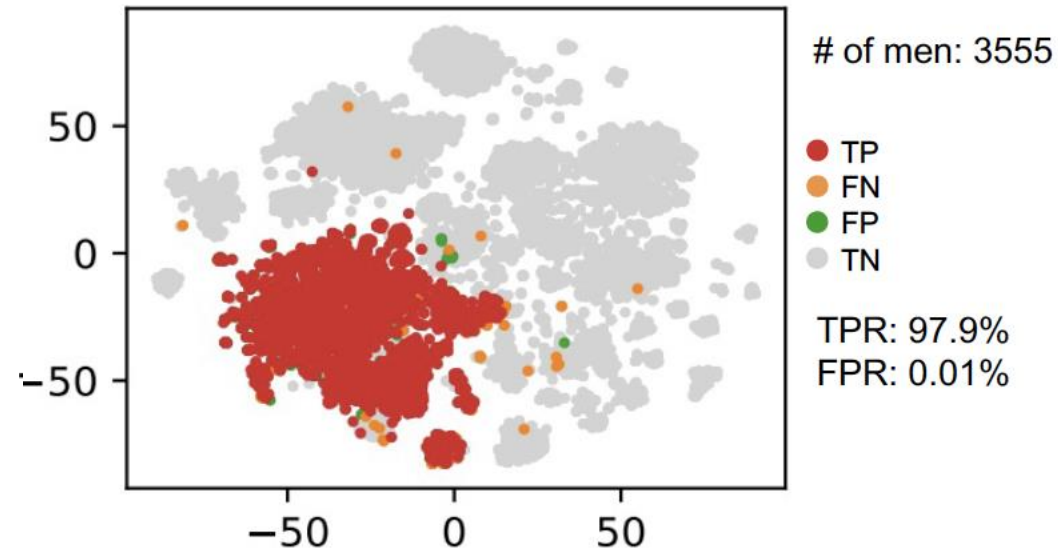
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Male ●

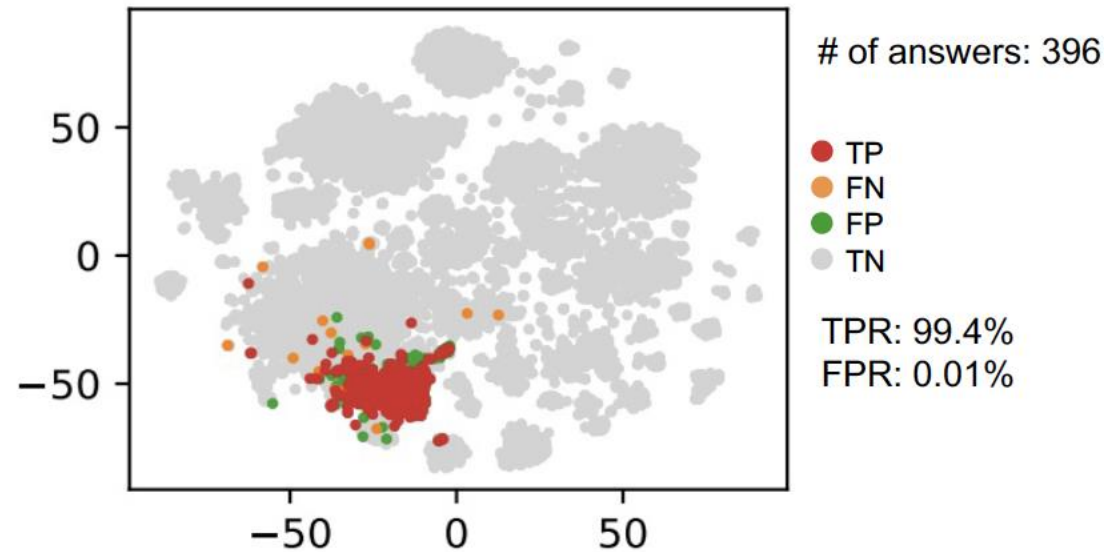
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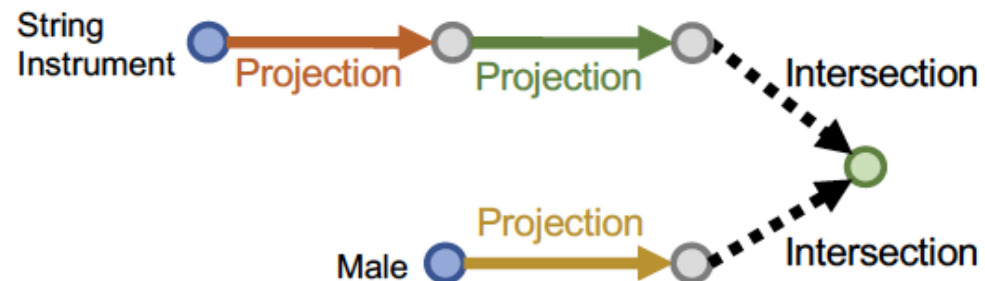
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# Summary

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- We introduce answering predictive queries on large knowledge graphs.
- The key idea is to embed queries by navigating the embedding space!
  - We embed the query by composing learned operators
  - Embedding of the query is close to its answers in the embedding space