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Machine Learning over Billion-Edge Graphs 10x Faster and 5x Cheaper

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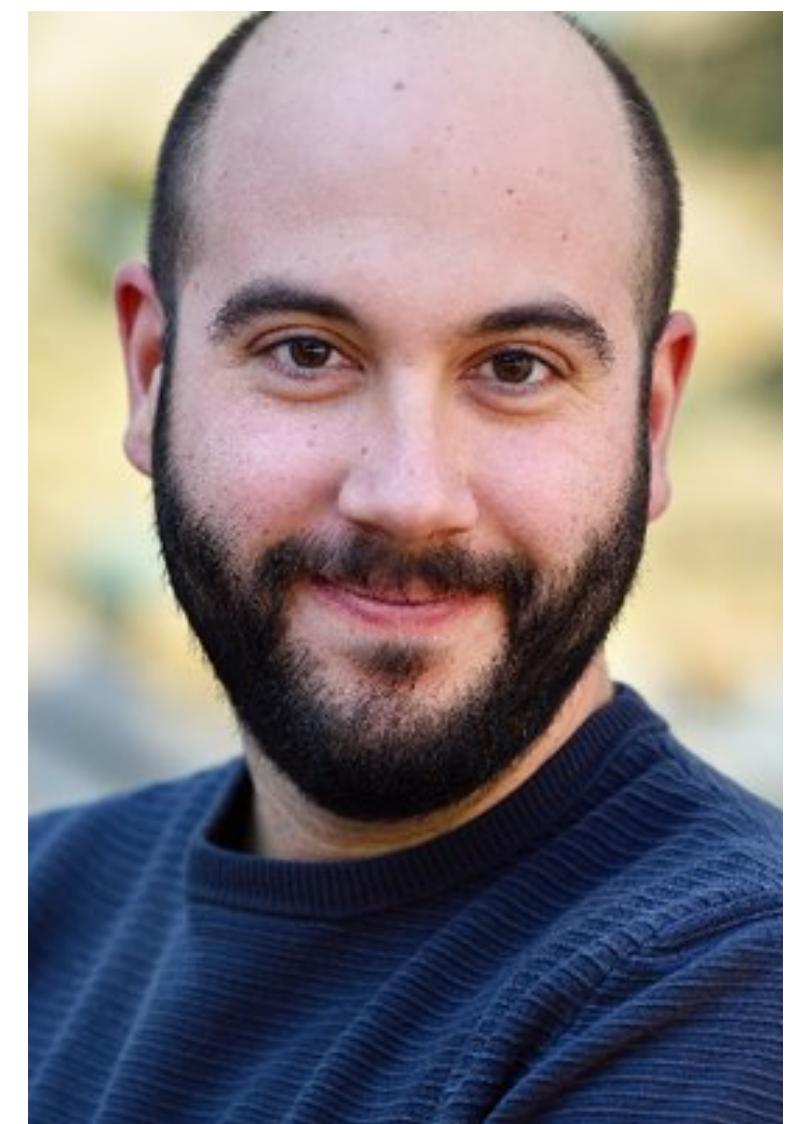


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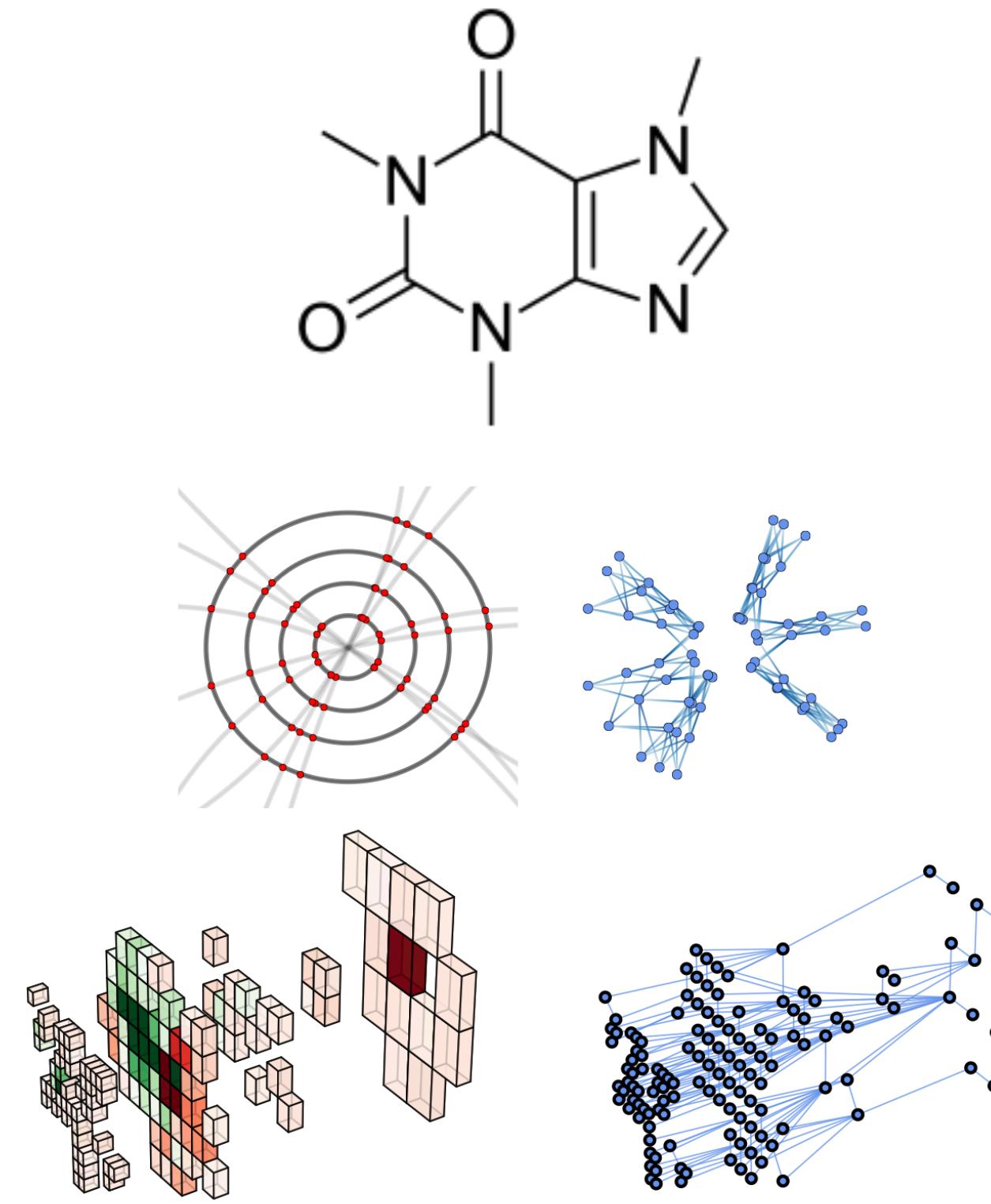


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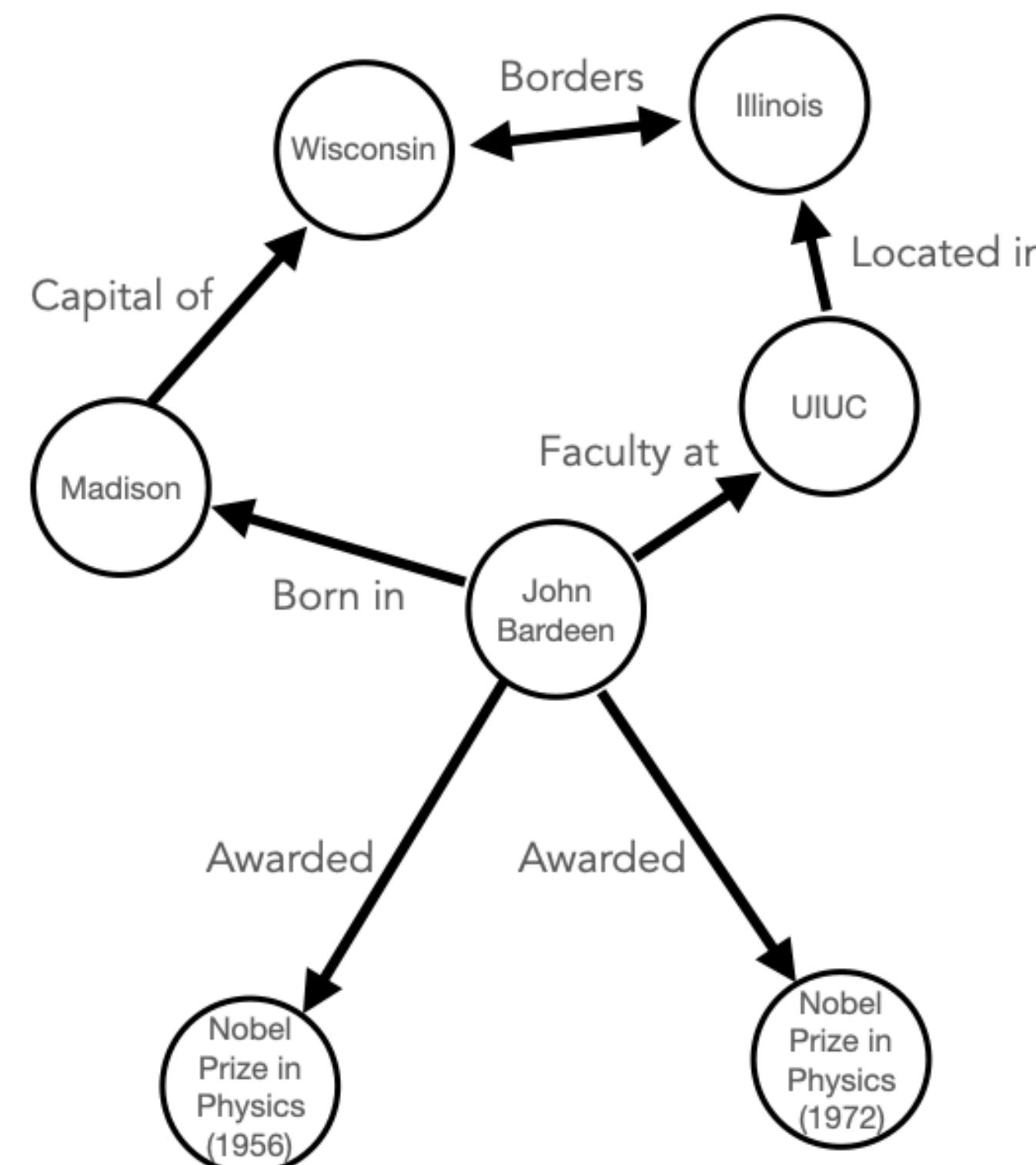


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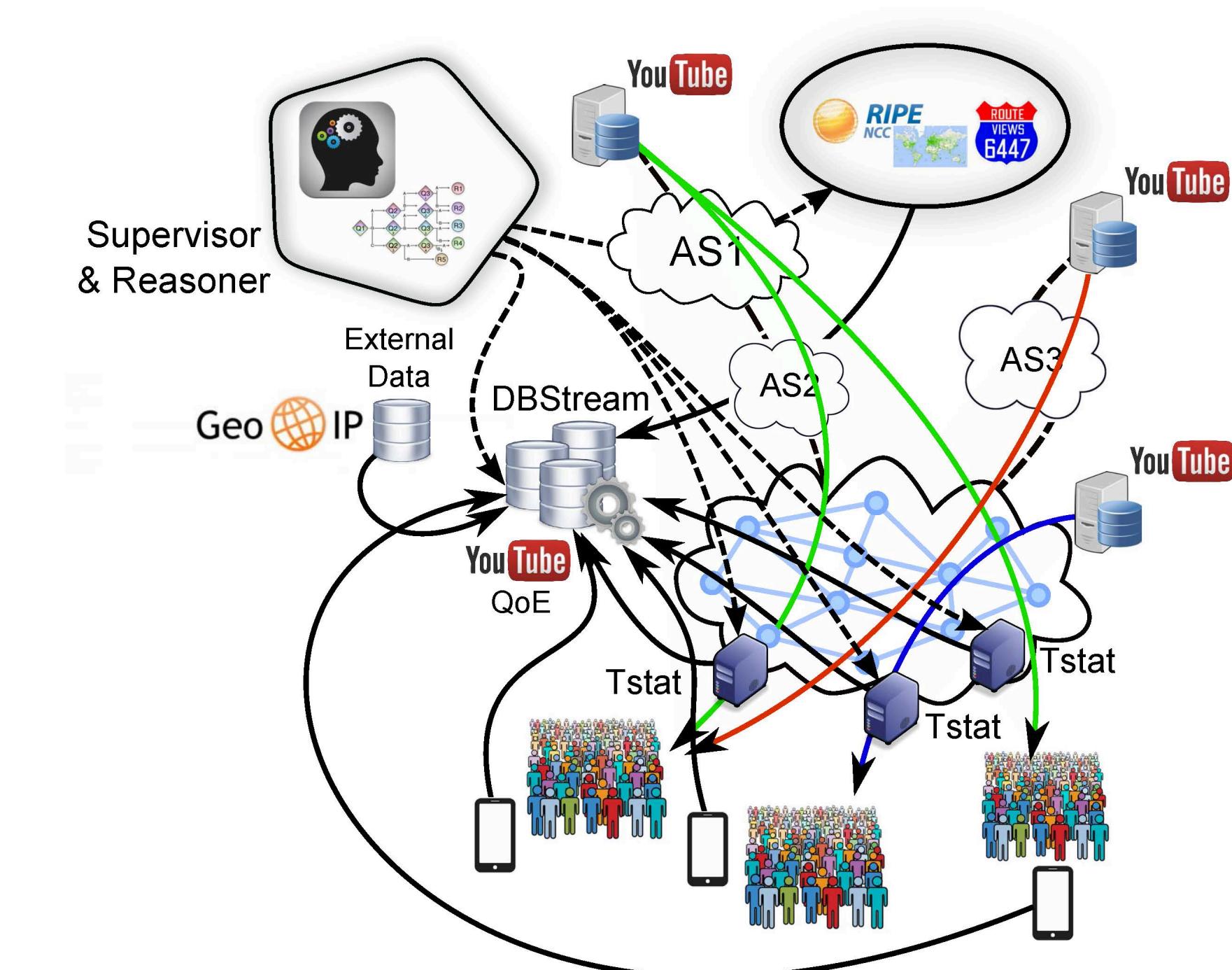
The universality of semantic structure



Scientific graphs



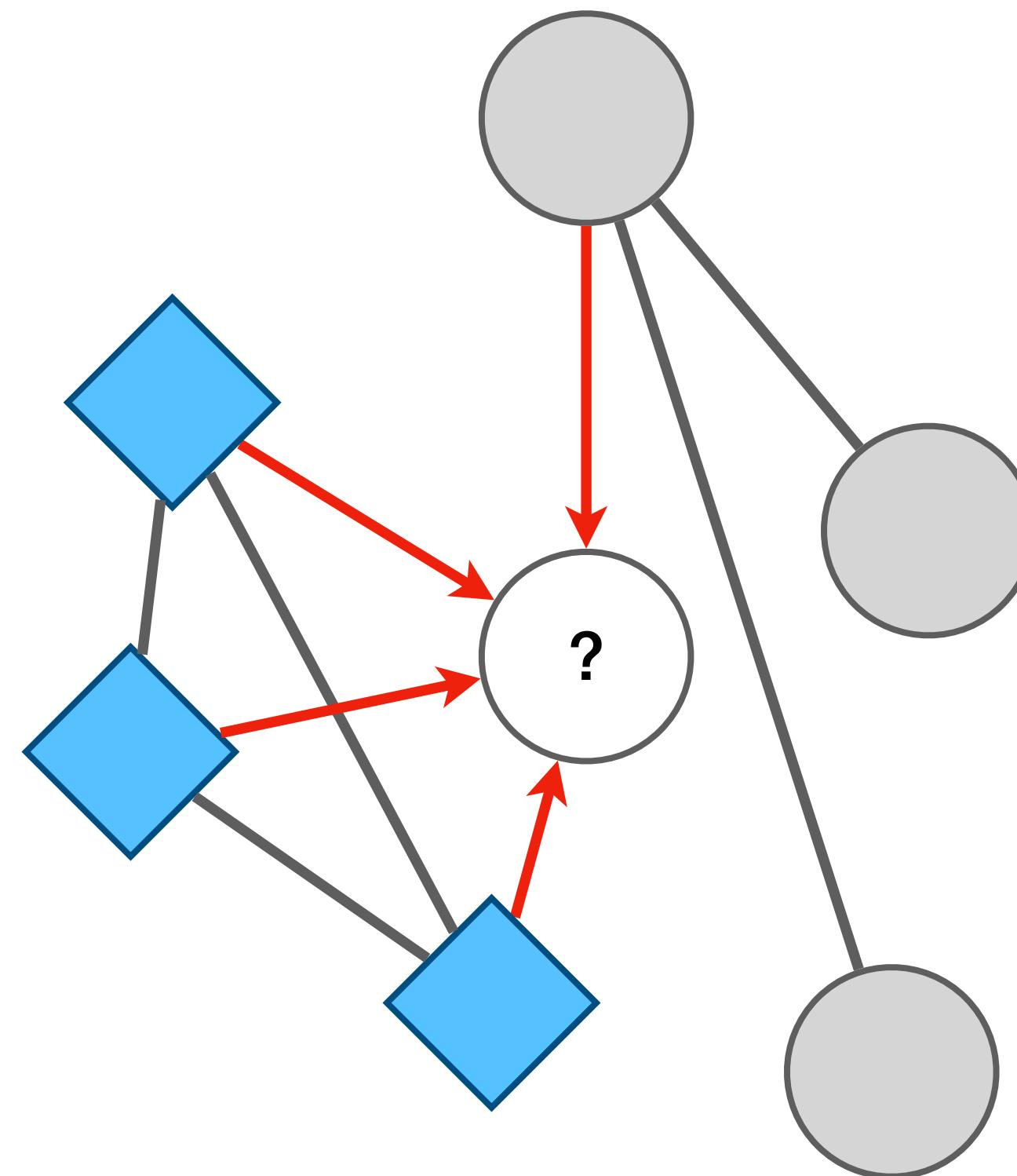
Knowledge Graphs



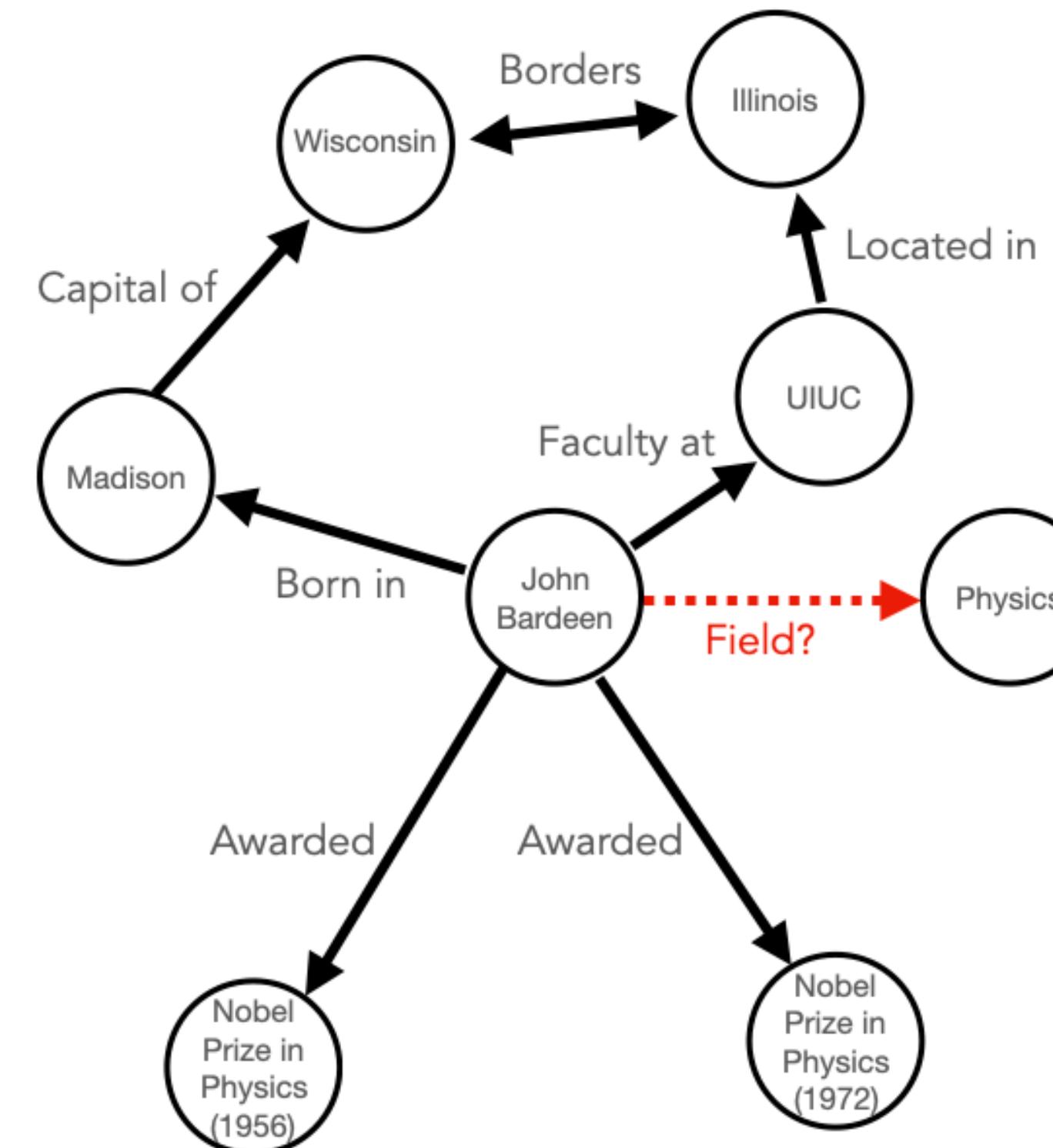
Server Logs

Graphs are **universal representations** of rich semantics about entities (nodes) and their relationships (edges)

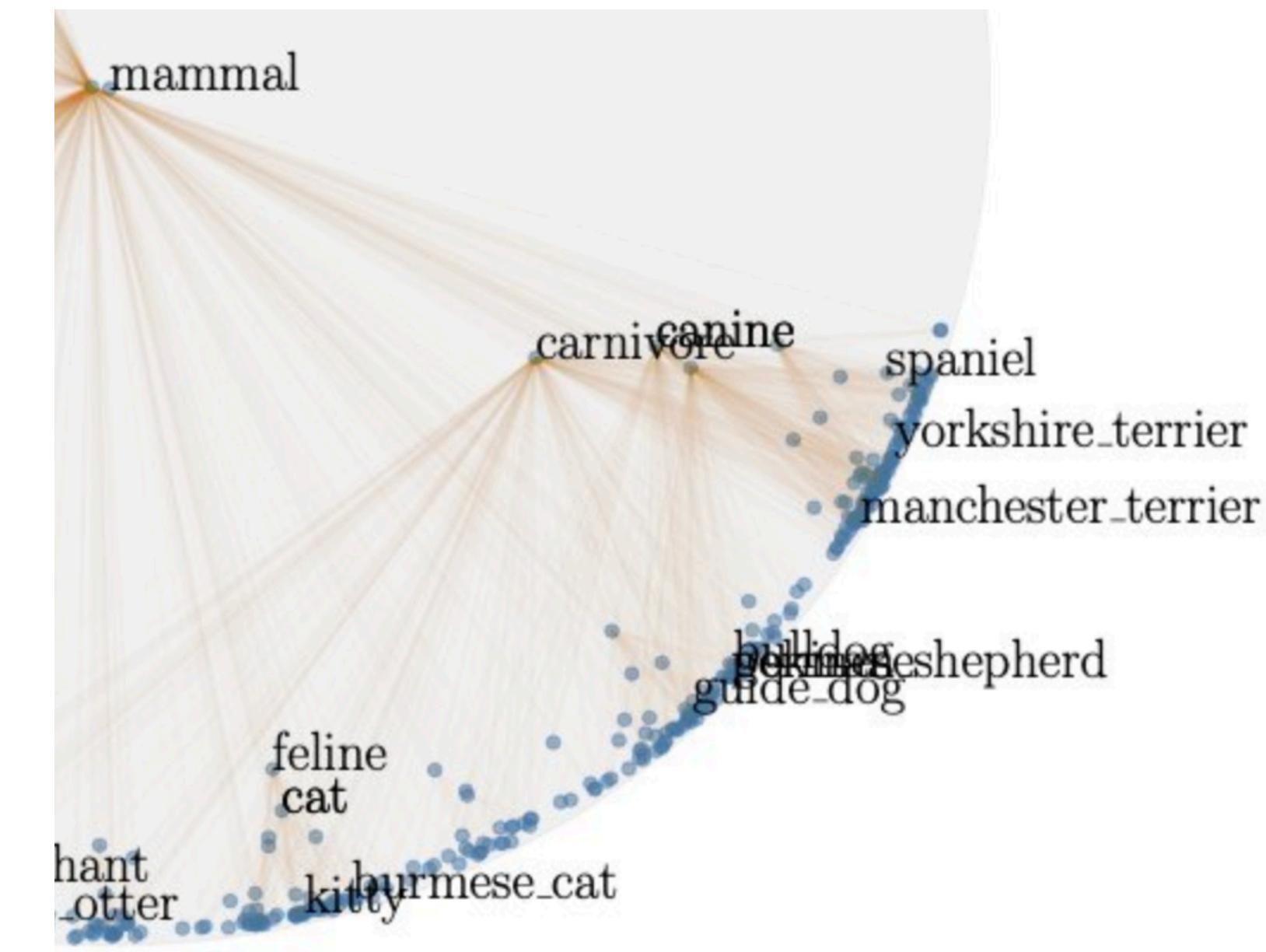
Harnessing the power of structure



Node classification



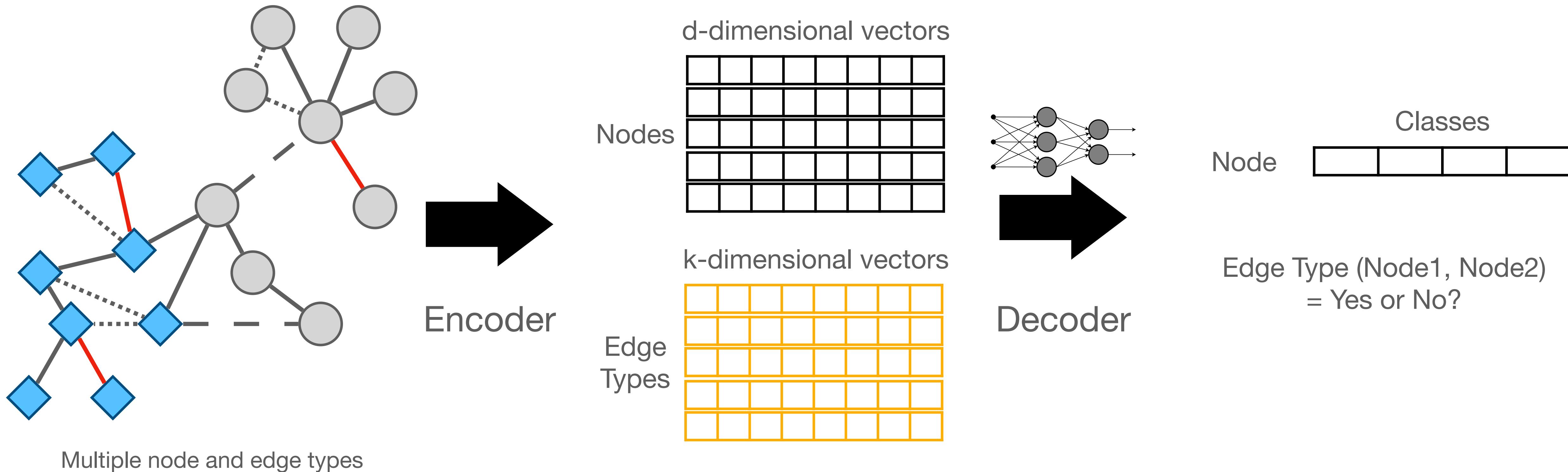
Link prediction



Related-entities prediction

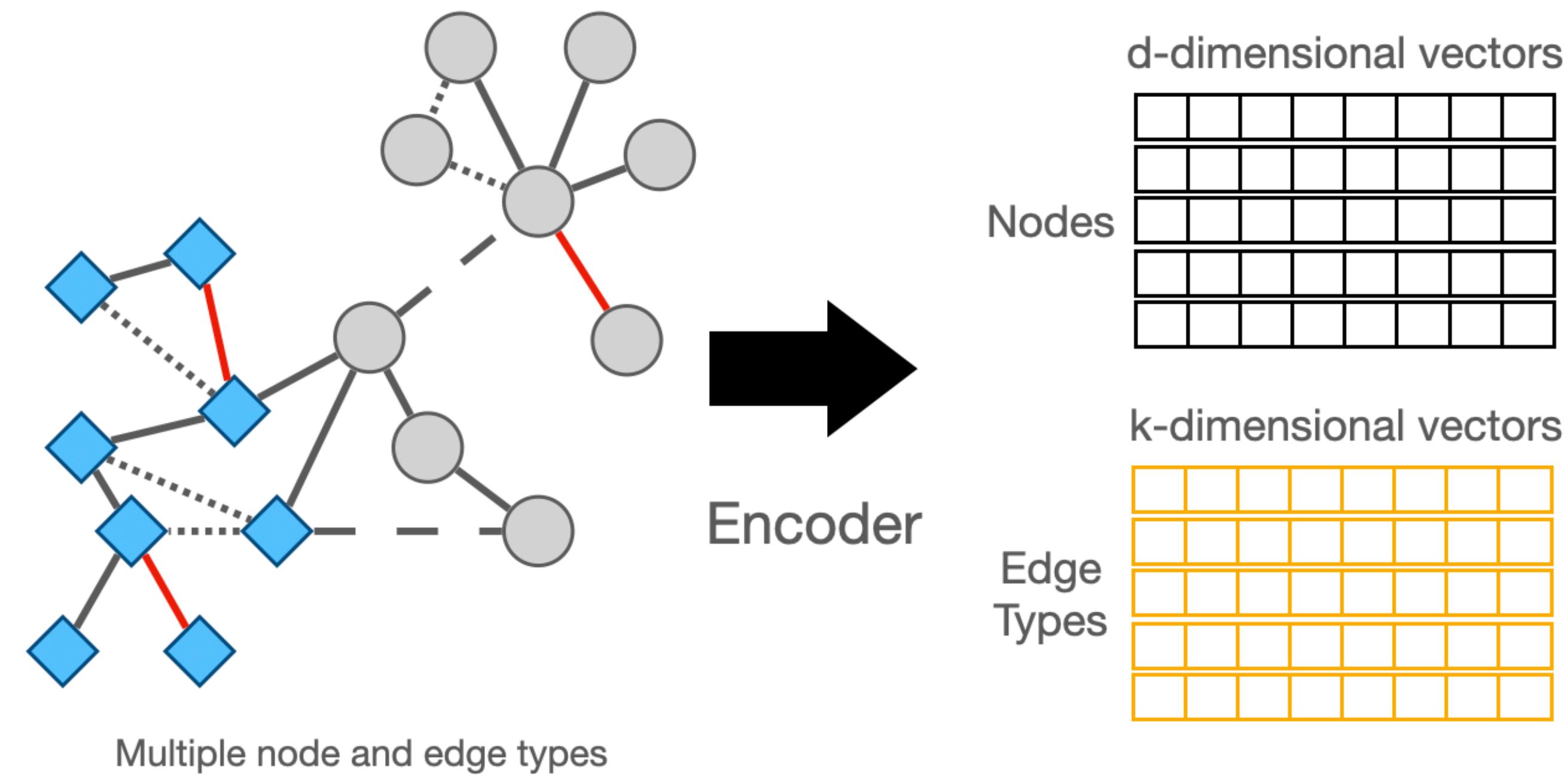
Reasoning requires operating over relational structured data

Modern Machine Learning over graphs



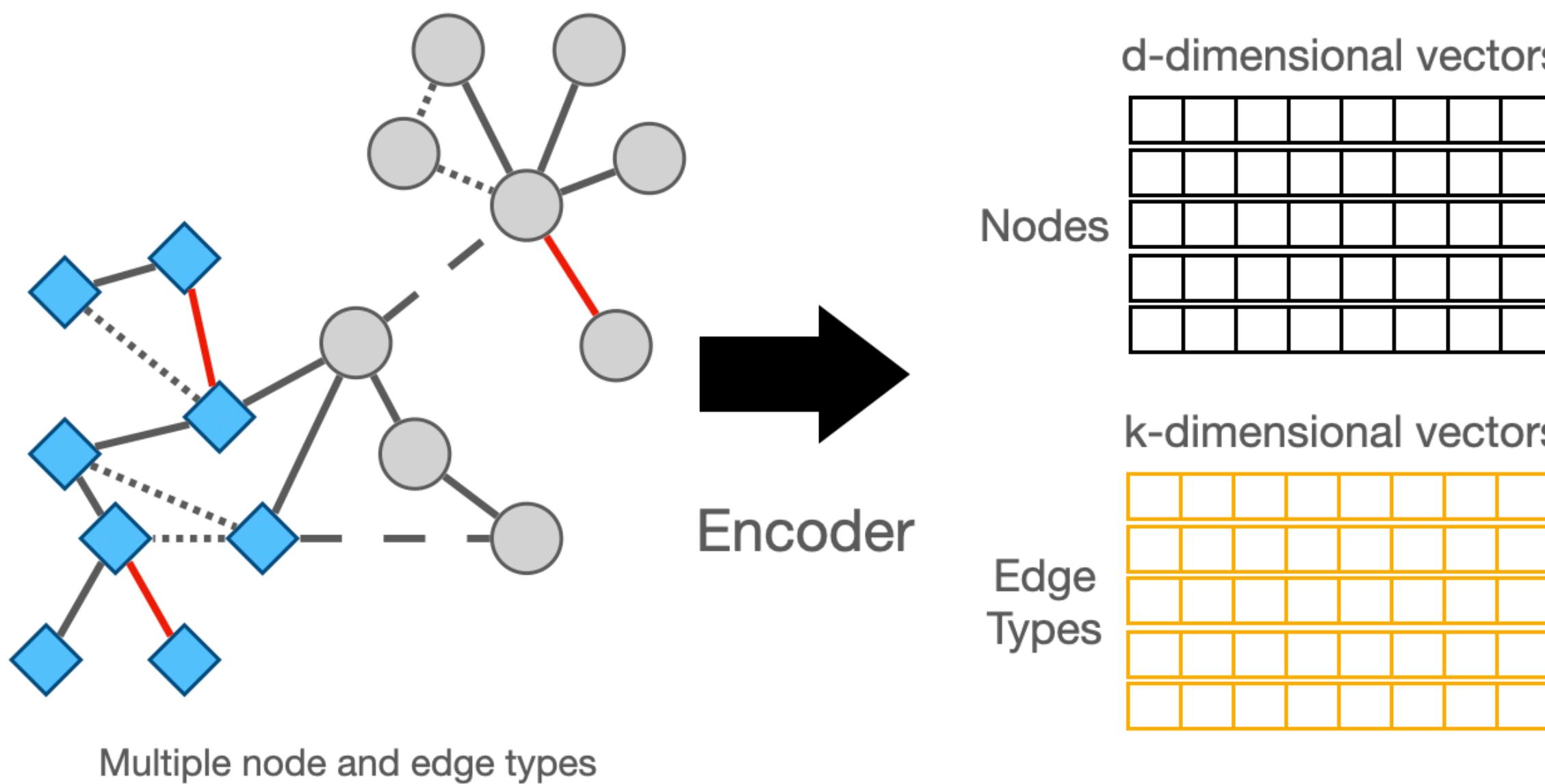
Learned **vector representations** of nodes and edges are key to deep graph learning

Graph learning is memory- and IO-bound



Graphs introduce irregular access patterns

Graph learning is memory- and IO-bound



Example: Learning Graph Embeddings

Training requires iterating over all edges and retrieving/updating embedding vectors

Training Process

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// E ordered randomly
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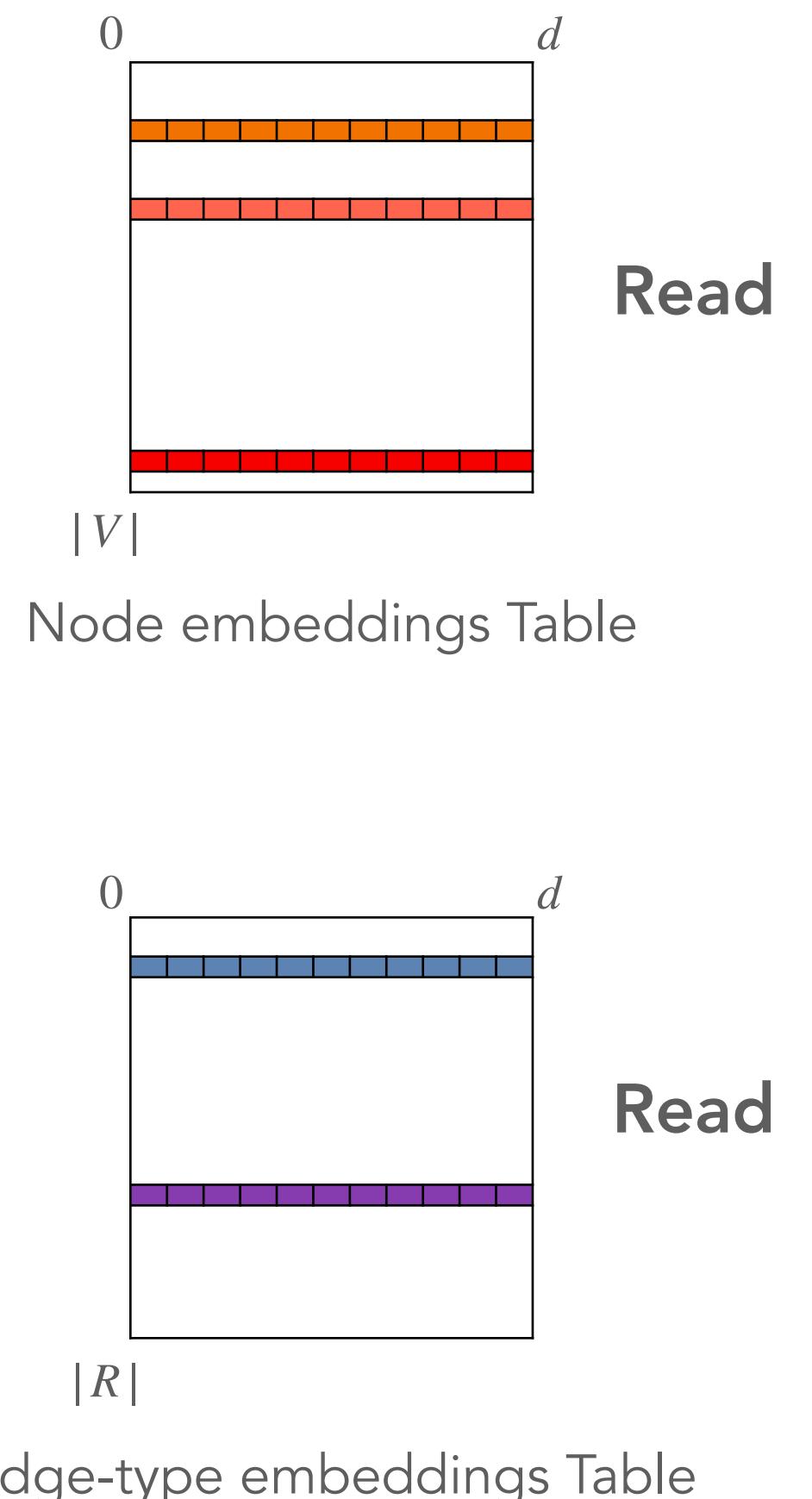
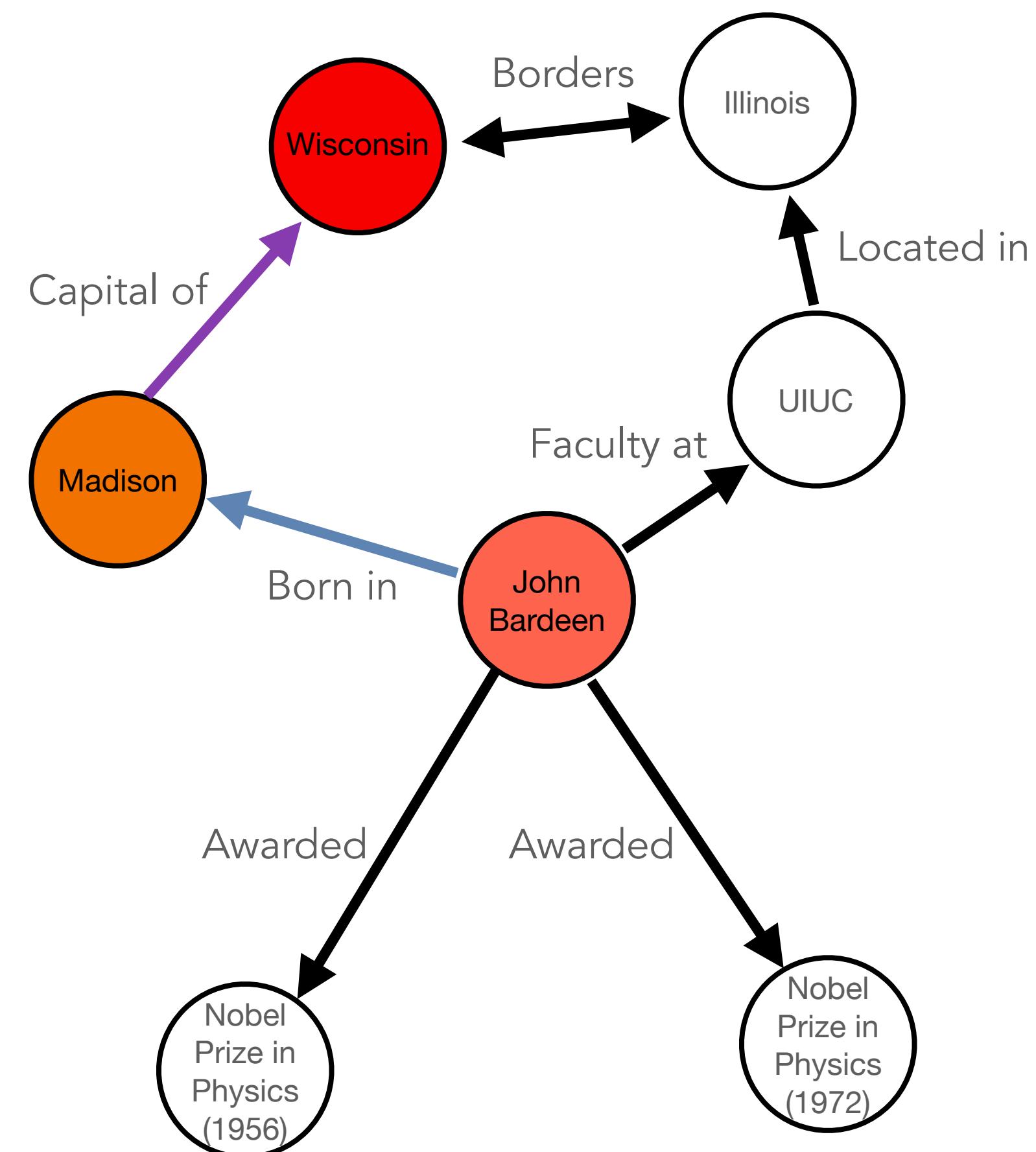
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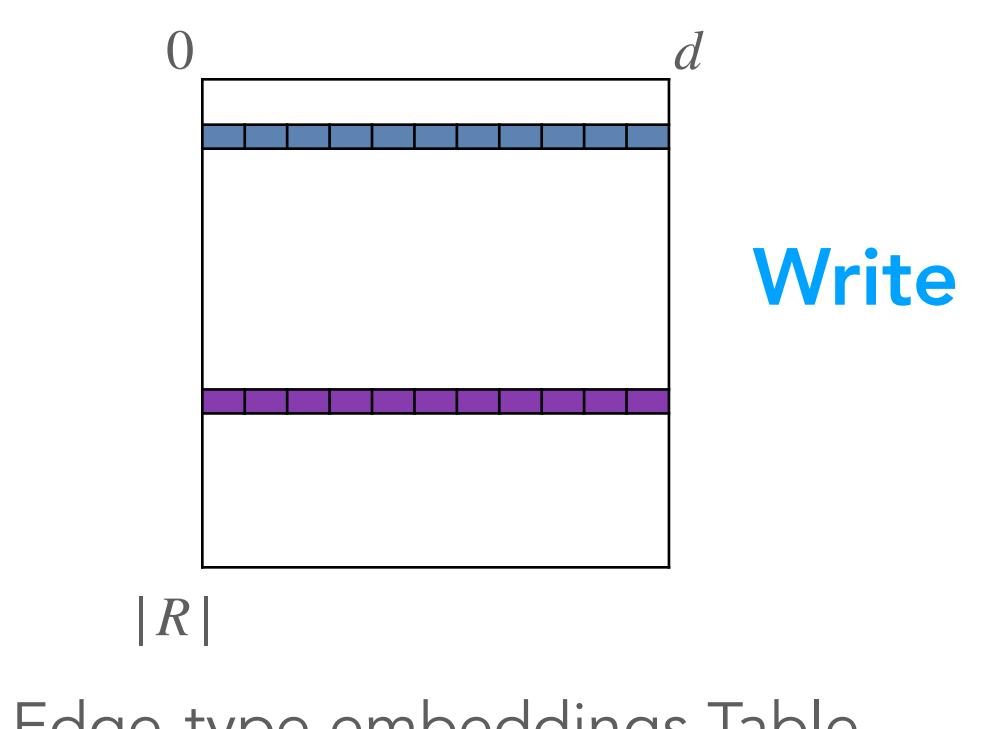
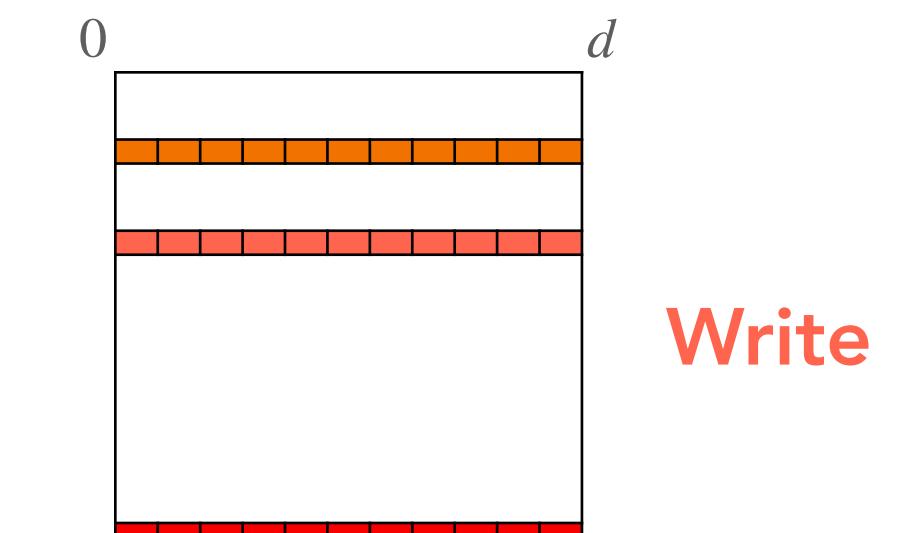
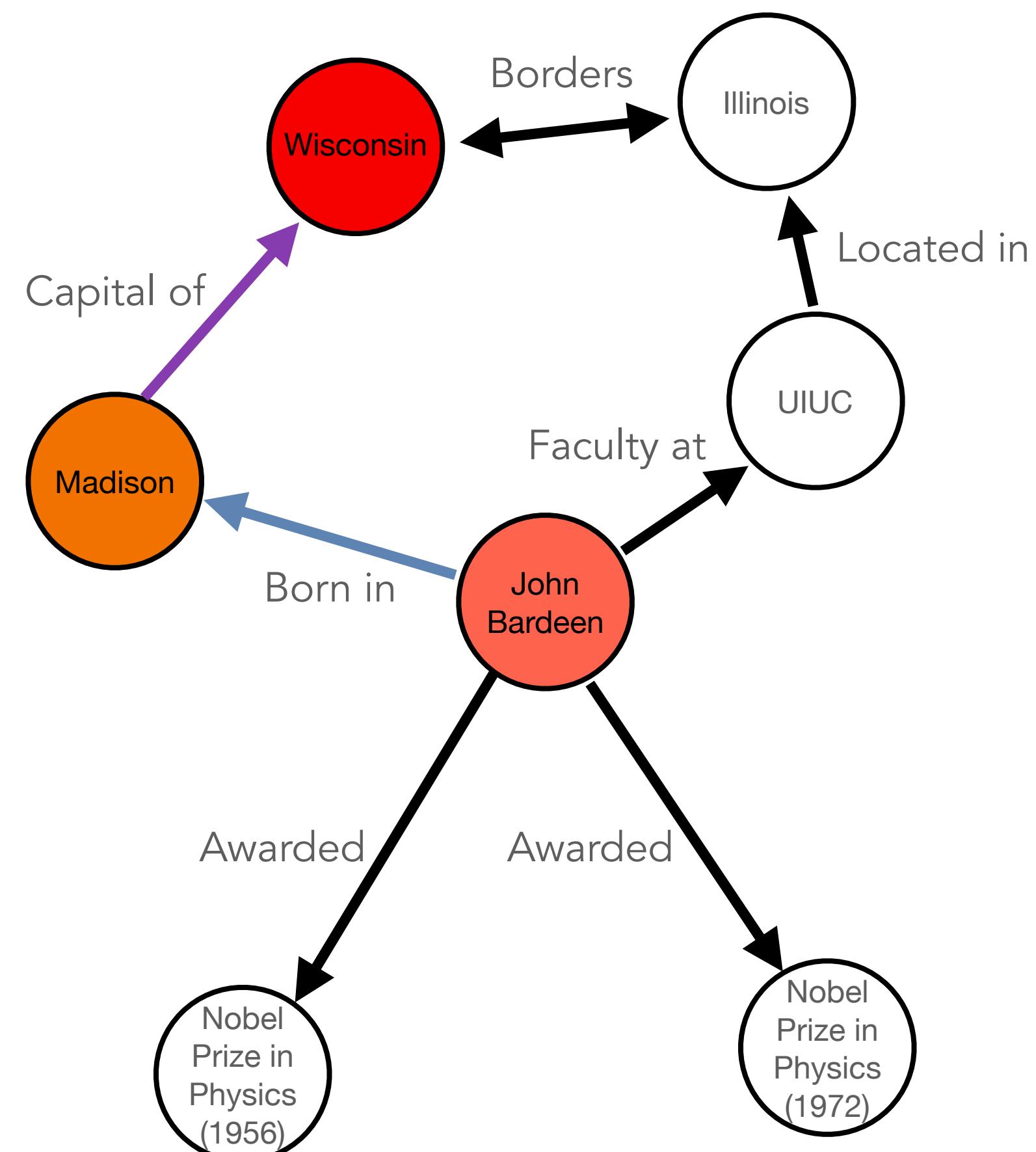
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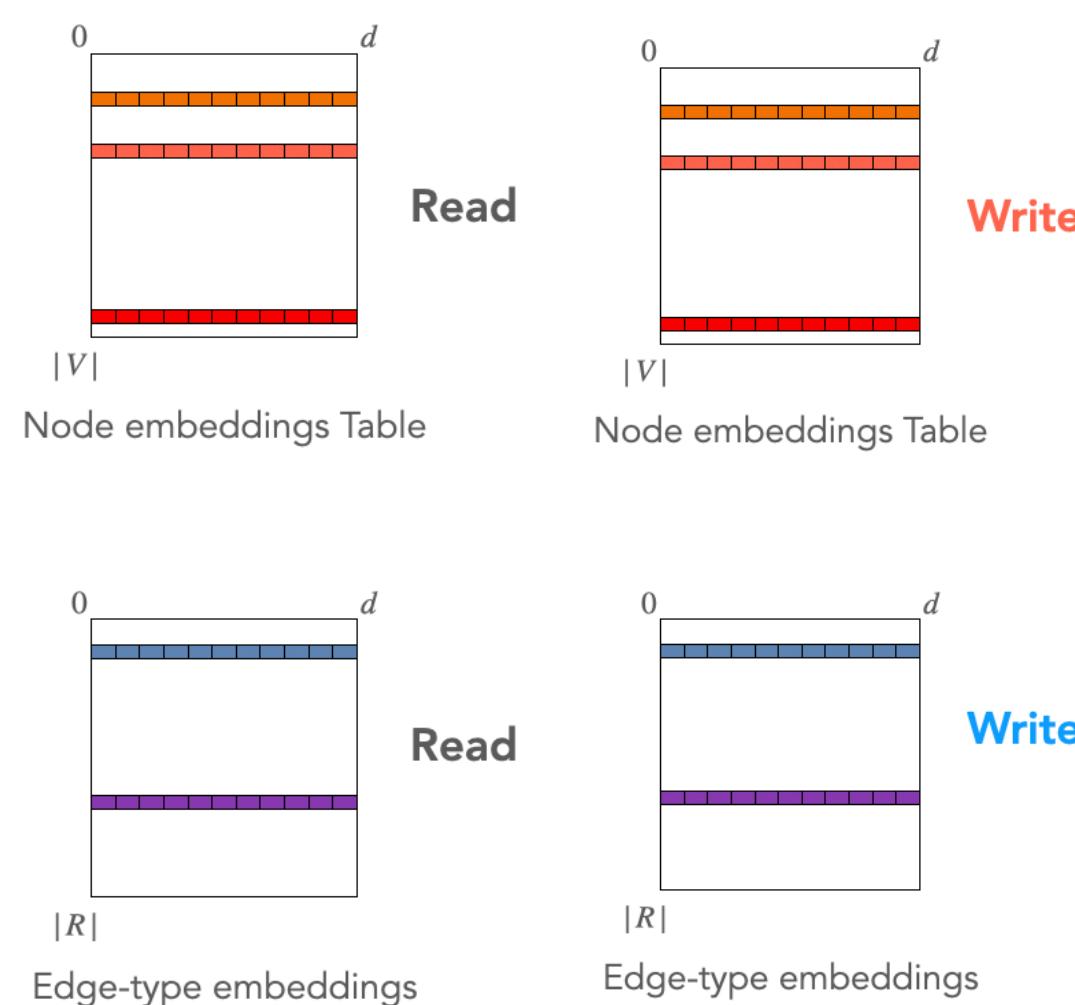
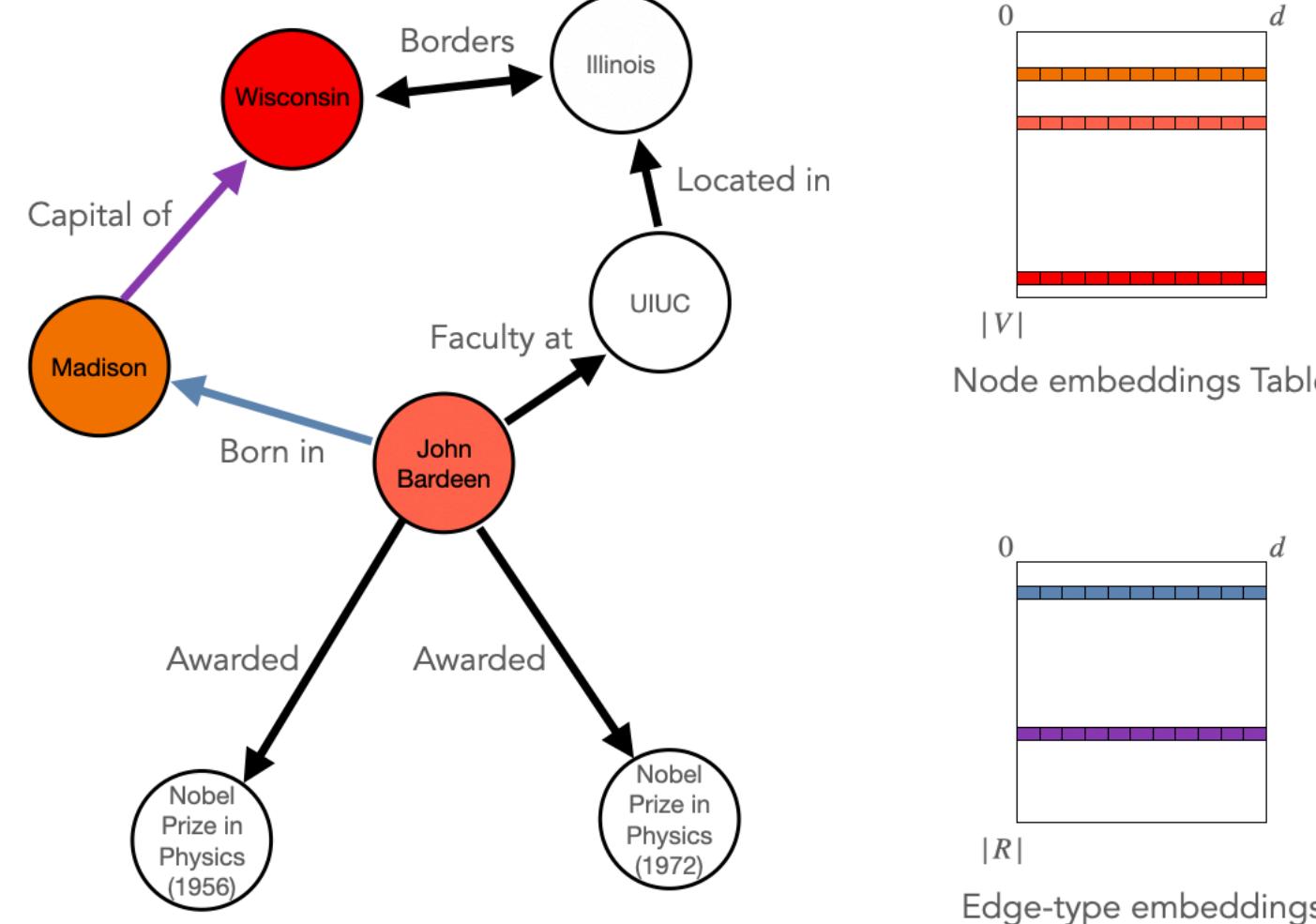
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Freebase86m:

- 338 million edges, 86 million nodes, 15,000 edge types
- Size of node embedding table for $d = 400$:

$$86 \text{ million} \times 400 \times 4 \text{ bytes} = 138 \text{ GB}$$

AWS P3.2xLarge instance:

- 16 GB GPU Memory
- 64 GB CPU Memory

Embedding tables do not fit in GPU memory

Moving embeddings to compute

1. Store embeddings in CPU memory and transfer to GPU(s)
 - Bottlenecked by transfer overheads
 - Limited scalability

DGL

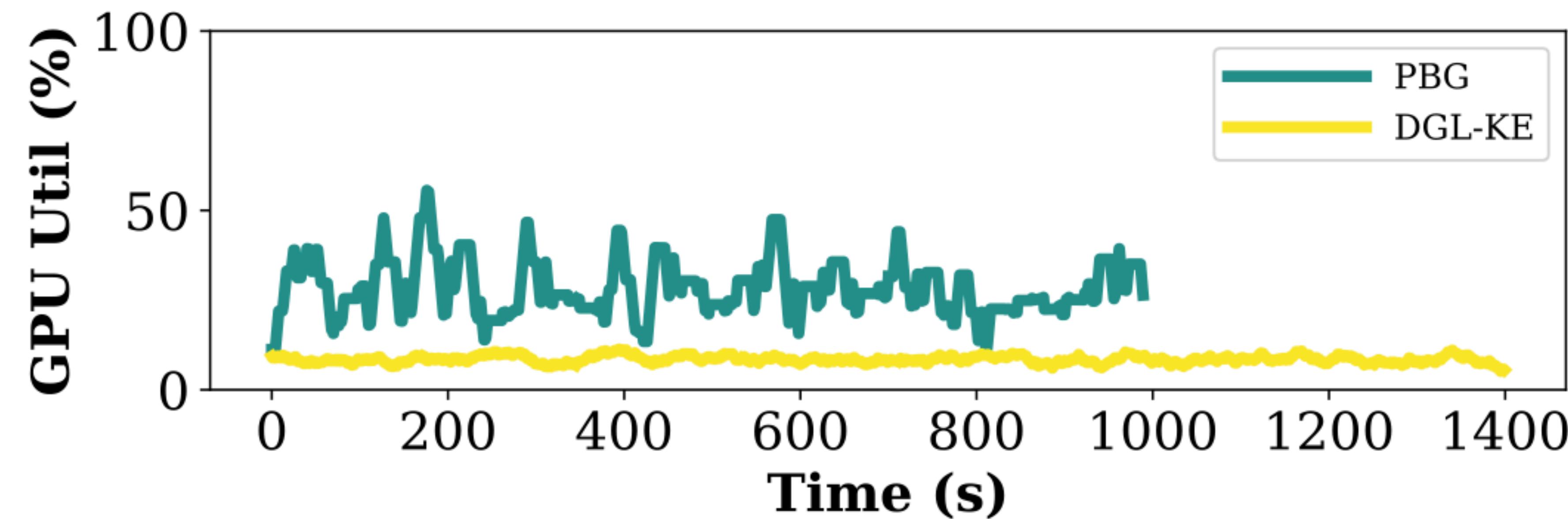
2. Partition node embeddings and store on disk
 - Limited by disk throughput

PyTorch Big-Graph (PBG)

3. Distribute embeddings across multiple machines
 - Bottlenecked by transfer overheads
 - Expensive

PBG & DGL

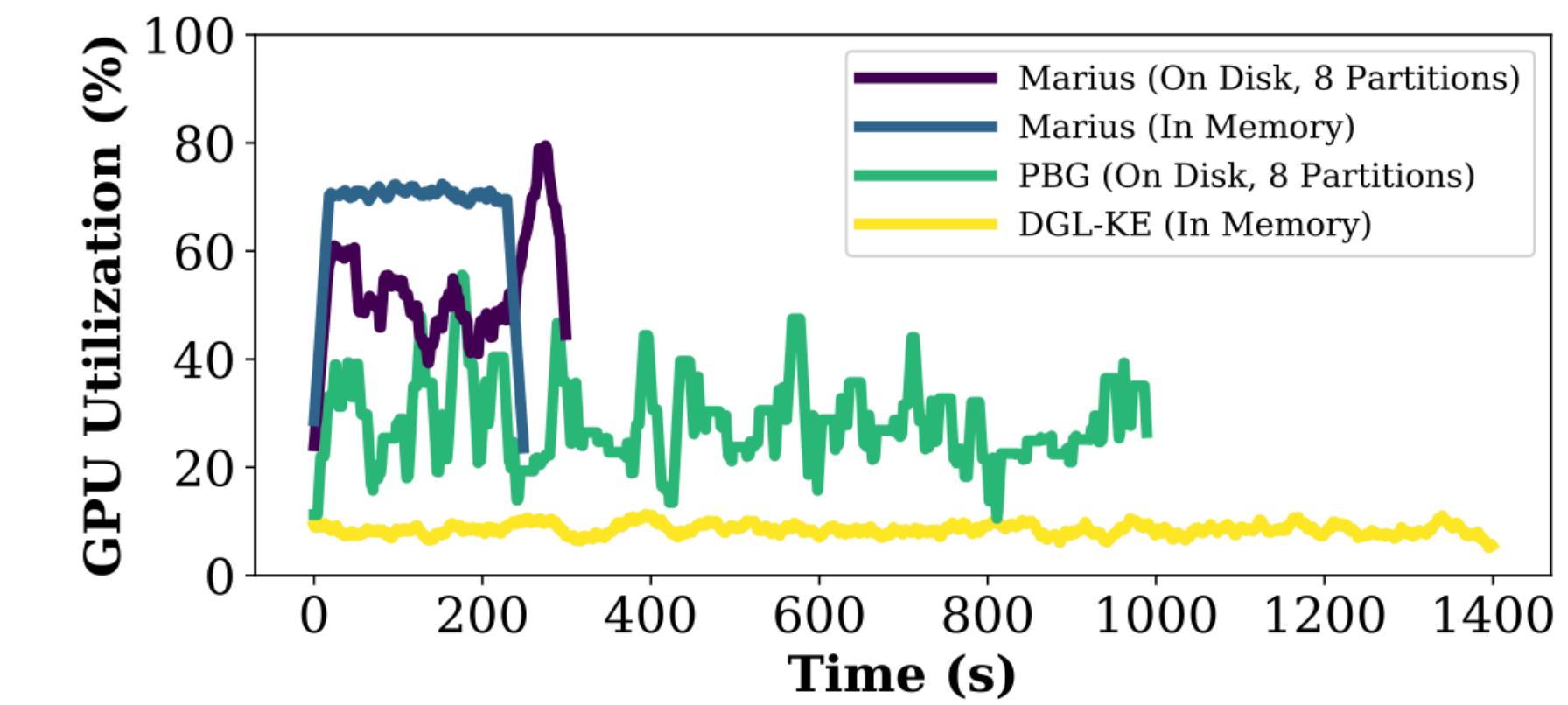
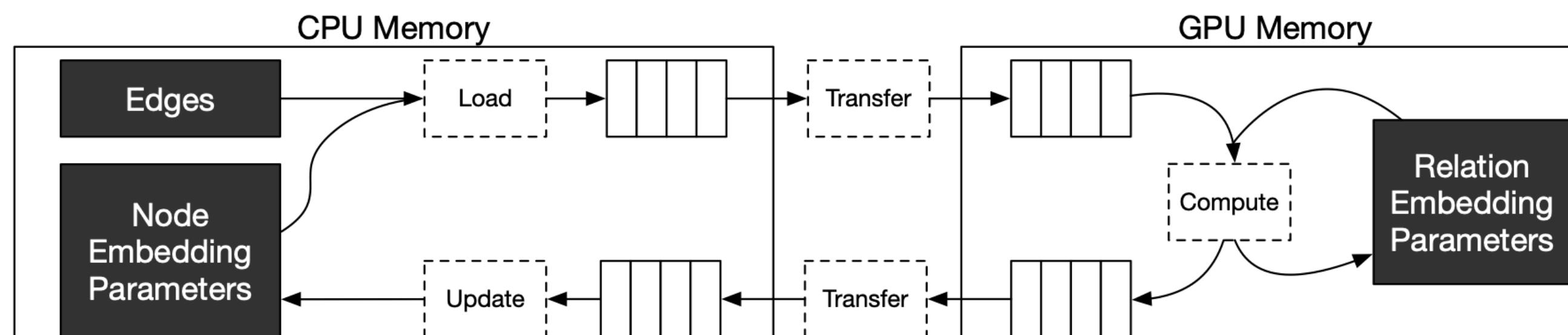
Moving embeddings to compute



The key bottleneck when training graph learning models is data movement

Marius: Scalable graph learning

Learning Massive Graph Embeddings on a Single Machine, OSDI'2021
 Find more at: marius-project.org



Pipelining and a novel data replacement policy allow Marius to maximize resource utilization of the entire memory hierarchy (including disk, CPU, and GPU memory)

Achieves graph learning over billion edge graphs **in a single machine**

Marius: Scalable graph learning

System	Model	MRR	Hits		Time
			@1	@10	
PBG	Dot	.313	.239	.451	5h15m
DGL-KE	Dot	.220	.153	.385	35h3m
Marius	Dot	.310	.236	.445	3h28m

*MRR: mean reciprocal rank (higher is better)

Measuring time-to-reconstruction-accuracy for
Dot-Product graph embeddings over the Twitter graph
(41.6M nodes and 1.5B edges)

Marius can be **10x faster** than competing methods in a single box

Marius: Scalable graph learning

System	Deployment	Epoch Time (s)	Per Epoch Cost (\$)
Marius	1-GPU	288	.248
DGL-KE	2-GPUs	761	1.29
DGL-KE	4-GPUs	426	1.45
DGL-KE	8-GPUs	220	1.50
DGL-KE	Distributed	1237	1.69
PBG	1-GPU	1005	.85
PBG	2-GPUs	430	.73
PBG	4-GPUs	330	1.12
PBG	8-GPUs	273	1.86
PBG	Distributed	1199	1.64

Per-epoch runtime and monetary cost (\$) for embedding the Freebase Knowledge Graph
 (86M nodes and 338M edges)

Marius can be **5x cheaper** than competing methods; single-box
 (1GPU) Marius has comparable runtime with multi-GPU solutions

Open-source Marius



Installation from source with Pip

1. Install latest version of PyTorch for your CUDA version:

Linux:

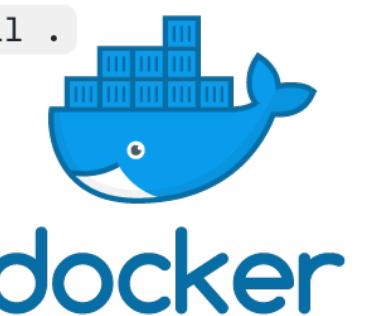
- CUDA 10.1: `python3 -m pip install torch==1.7.1+cu101 -f https://download.pytorch.org/whl/torch_stable.html`
- CUDA 10.2: `python3 -m pip install torch==1.7.1`
- CPU Only: `python3 -m pip install torch==1.7.1+cpu -f https://download.pytorch.org/whl/torch_stable.html`

MacOS:

- CPU Only: `python3 -m pip install torch==1.7.1`

2. Clone the repository `git clone https://github.com/marius-team/marius.git`

3. Build and install Marius `cd marius; python3 -m pip install .`



Marius in Docker

Marius can be deployed within a docker container. Here is a sample ubuntu dockerfile (`examples/docker/dockerfile`) which contains the necessary dependencies preinstalled f

Building and running the container

Build an image with the name `marius` and the tag `example`:

```
docker build -t marius:example -f examples/docker/dockerfile examples/docker
```

The screenshot shows the Marius API documentation. On the left is a sidebar with a dark background containing a navigation menu. The menu items include: CONTENTS, Introduction, Quick Start, Build, System Overview, Configuration, IO Format, Training, Models, Loss Functions, Evaluation, Storage Backends, API, and a specific section for Batch. The main content area has a light background and displays the documentation for the `Batch` class. At the top of this section is the title `Batch`. Below it is a brief description: "Contains metadata, edges and embeddings for a single batch." It states that `Batch` is subclassed by `PartitionBatch`. The `Public Functions` section lists several methods: `Batch(bool train)`, `Constructor`, `~Batch()`, `void localSample()`, `Destructor Construct additional negative samples and neighborhood information from the batch`, `void accumulateUniqueIndices()`, `Populates the unique_<->_indices tensors`, `void embeddingsToDevice(int device_id)`, `Transfers embeddings, optimizer state, and indices to specified device`, `void prepareBatch()`, `Populates the src_pos_embeddings, dst_pos_embeddings, relation_embeddings, src_neg_embeddings, and dst_neg_embeddings tensors for model computation`, `void accumulateGradients()`, `Accumulates gradients into the unique_node_gradients and unique_relation_gradients tensors, and applies optimizer update rule to create the unique_node_gradients2 and unique_relation_gradients2 tensors`, and `void embeddingsToHost()`, `Transfers gradients and embedding updates to host`.

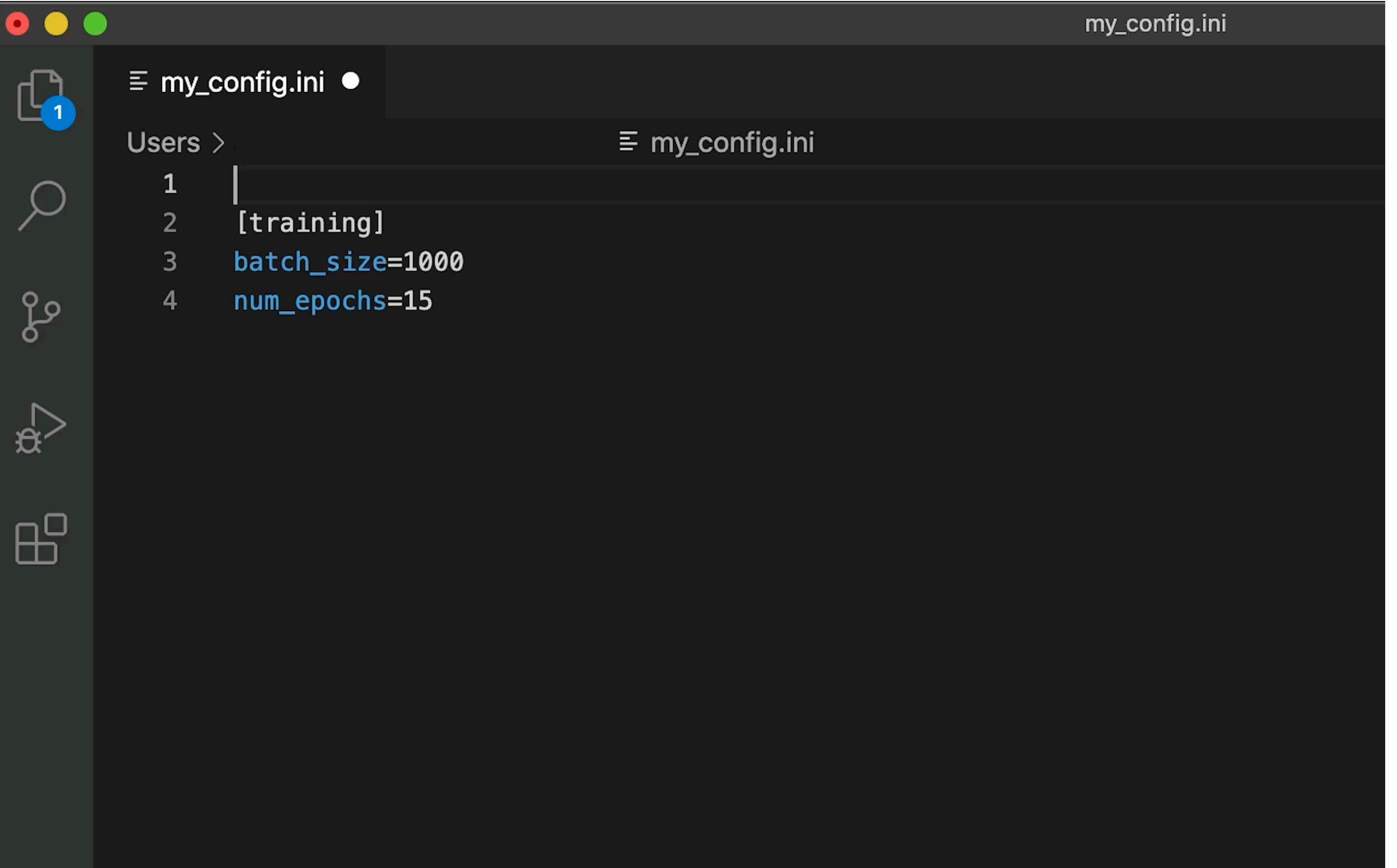
Released at:
marius-project.org

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Using Marius

Config-based development

- No-code paradigm: running Marius only requires a simple configuration file
- Customize parameters, defaults provided if not specified
- Easy to run from command line



```
my_config.ini
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Users >
1 [training]
2 batch_size=1000
3 num_epochs=15
4
```

Using Marius

Extensible

- Features a Python API
- Write custom models
- High-degree of control and customization

Defining a custom model

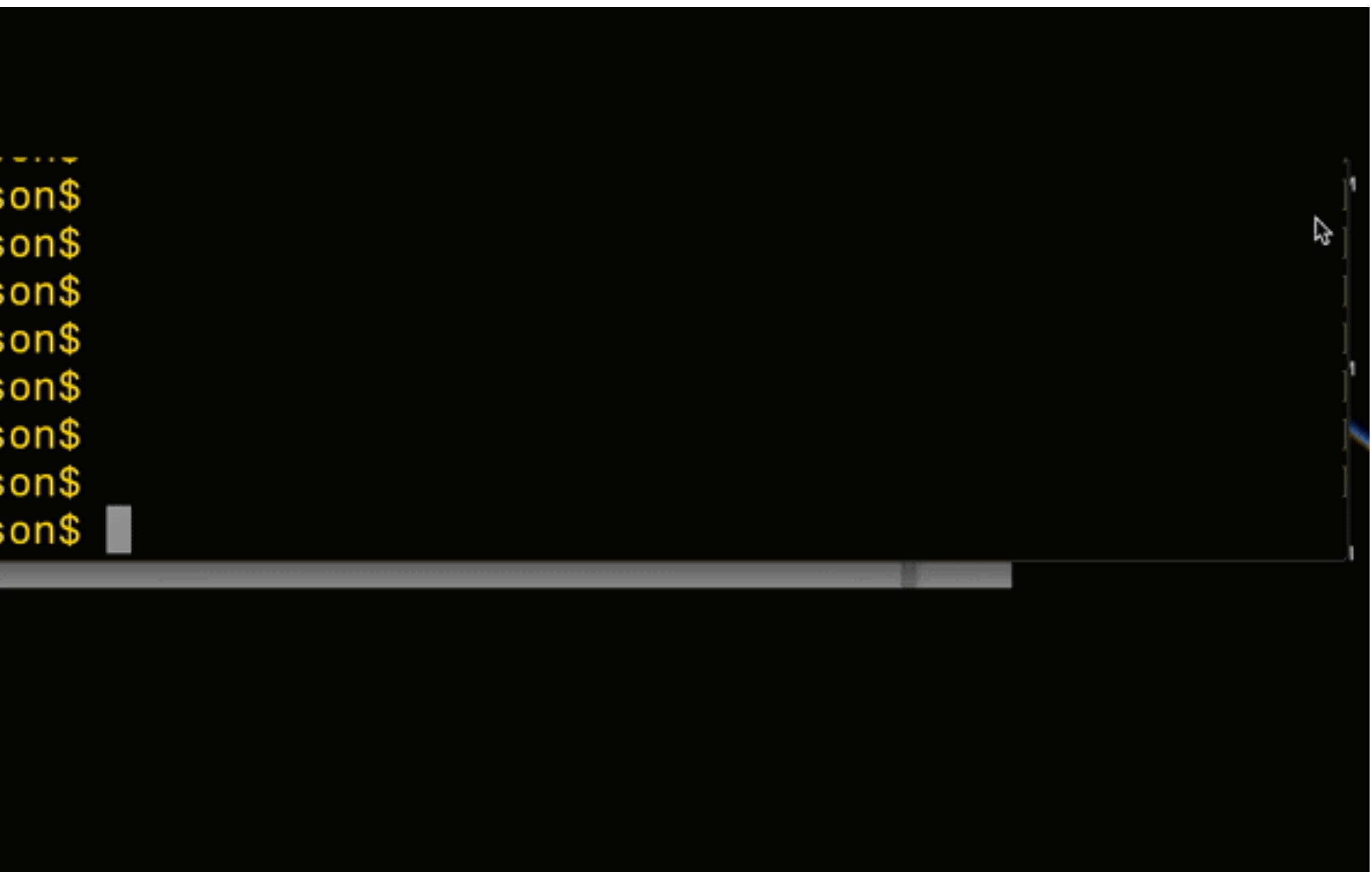
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Using Marius

Interoperability

- Multiple data converters to transform raw data into the Marius input format
- Support for conversion of TSV, CSV, Parquet file formats
- Output embeddings can be converted to commonly used types such as PyTorch tensors



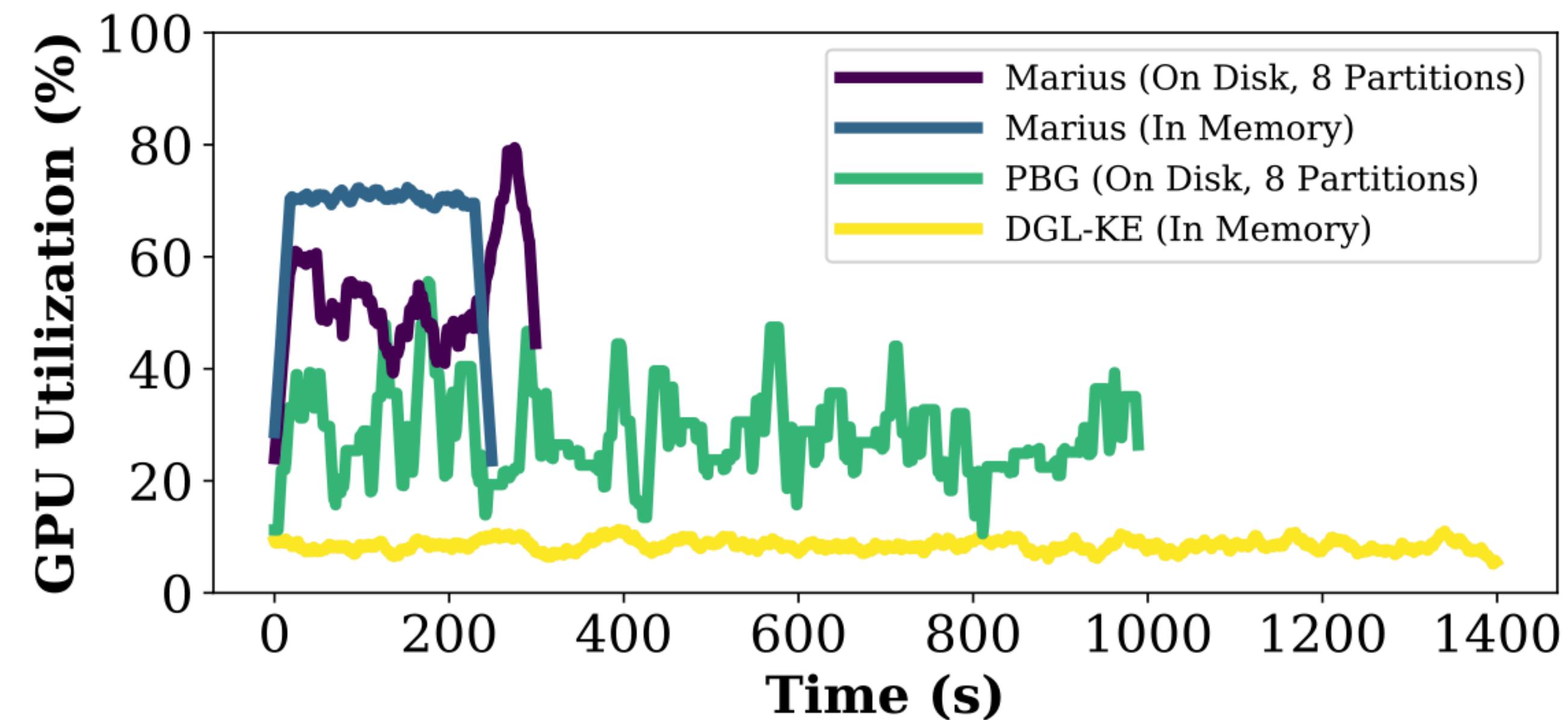
Key innovation in Marius

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- Utilize the full memory hierarchy with a partition buffer
- **Minimize IO with Buffer-aware Edge Traversal Algorithm (BETA)**

Results

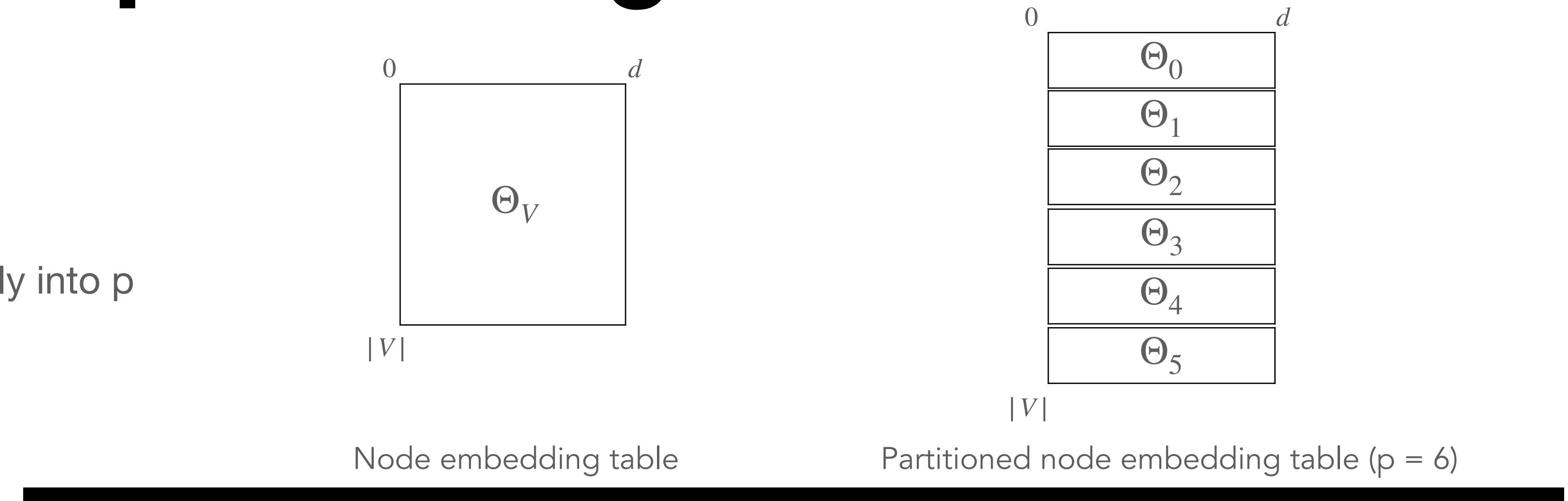
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Partition-based processing

Node Embedding Partitions

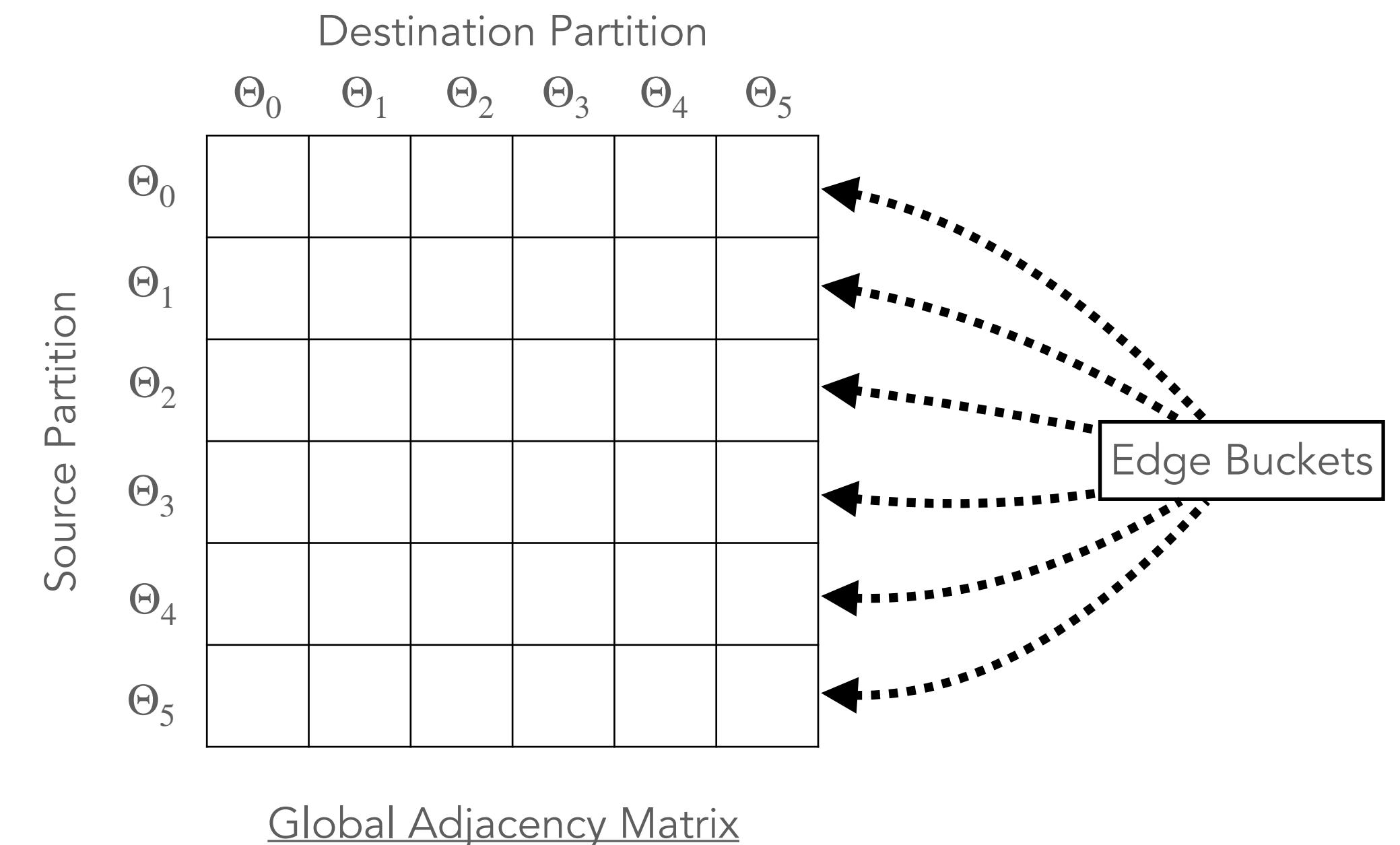
Node embeddings are partitioned uniformly into p disjoint partitions.



Edge Buckets

Edge bucket (i,j) contains all edges with a source in partition i and a destination in partition j

To iterate over all edges, we need to iterate over all edge buckets



Edge bucket ordering and IO

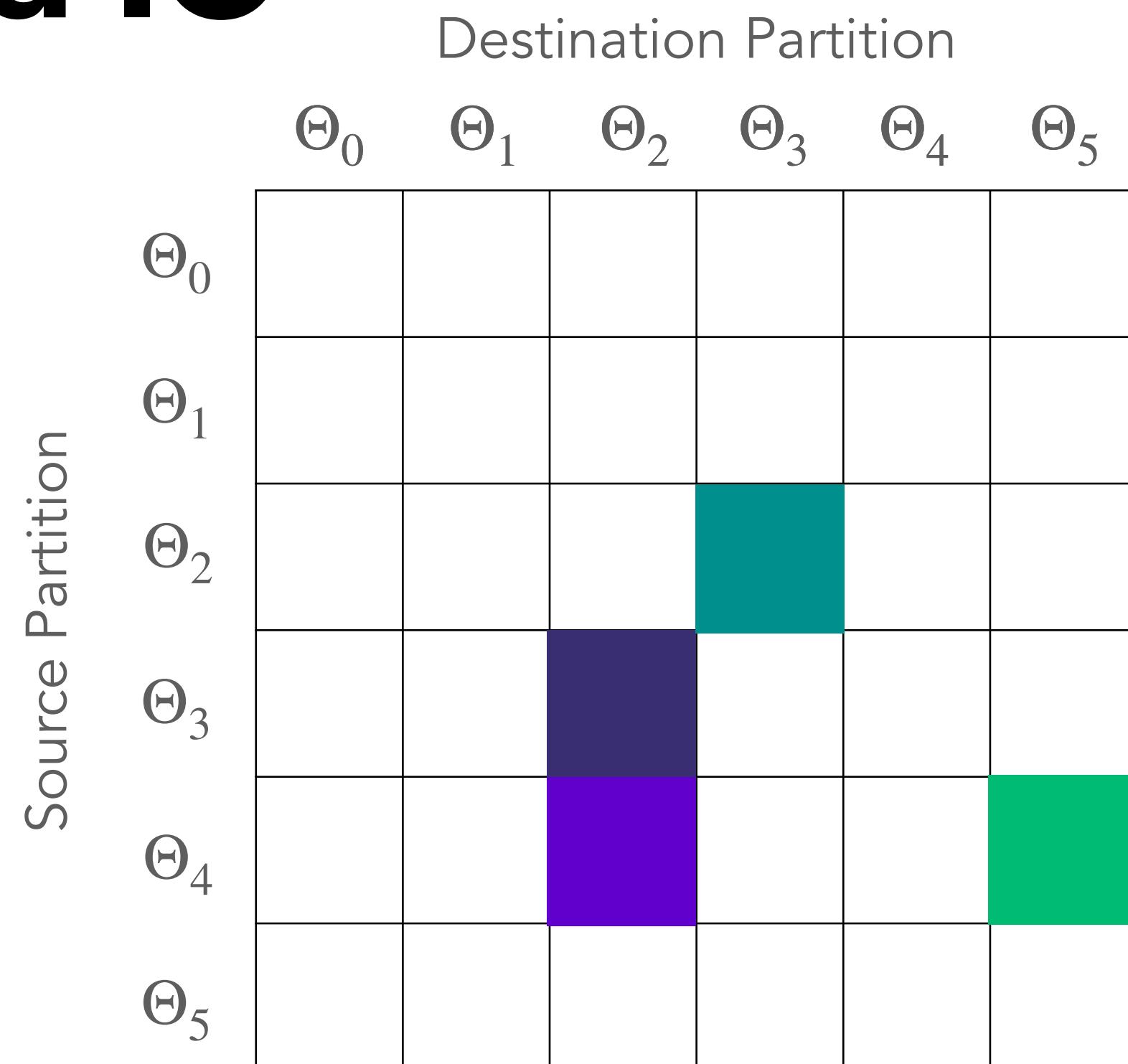
The order in which edge buckets are processed has an impact on IO

Example: After processing edge bucket (3, 2)

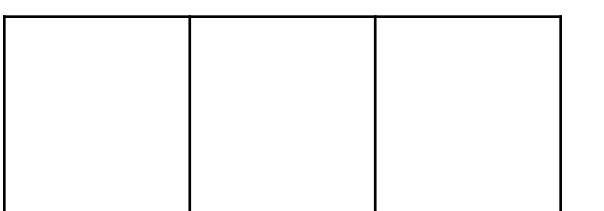
Processing (2, 3): Requires no extra swaps

Processing (2, 4): Requires one swap

Processing (4, 5): Requires two swaps

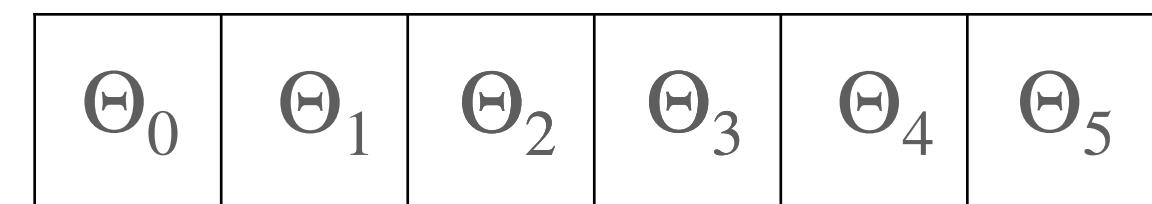


Partitions in Buffer



c = 3

Partitions on disk



$$p = 6$$

Edge bucket ordering and IO

Random Ordering ~23 swaps

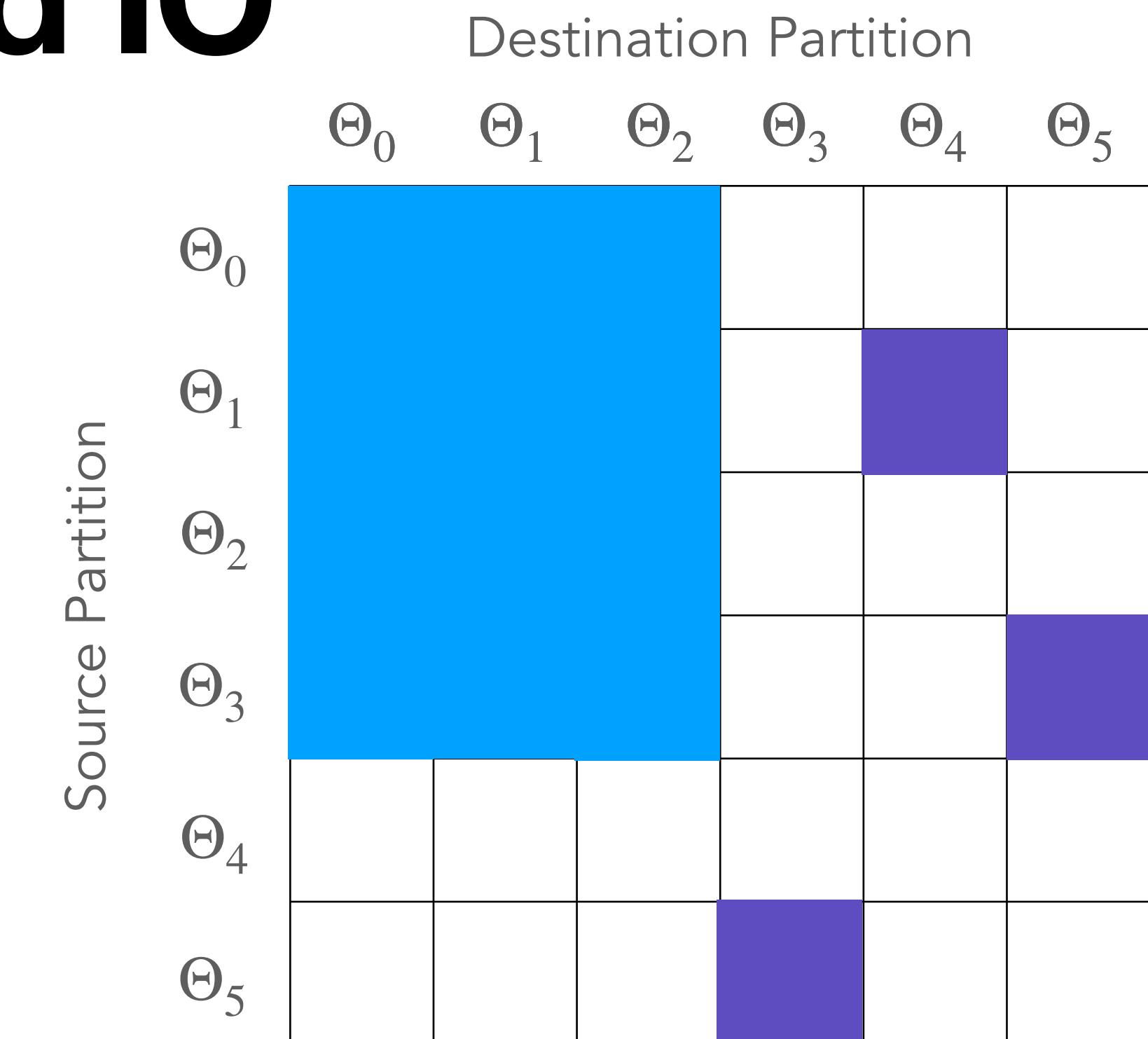
Locality-aware Ordering 12 swaps

We show a Lower Bound

Can never process more than $2c - 1$ edge buckets per swap

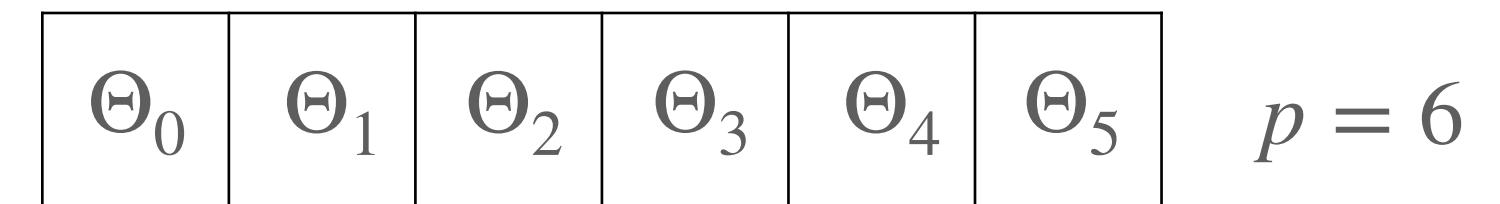
$$\lceil \frac{p^2 - c^2}{2c - 1} \rceil = \lceil \frac{6^2 - 3^2}{2 * 3 - 1} \rceil = 6$$

We propose an ordering which is close to this bound



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Buffer-aware Edge Traversal Algorithm (**BETA**)

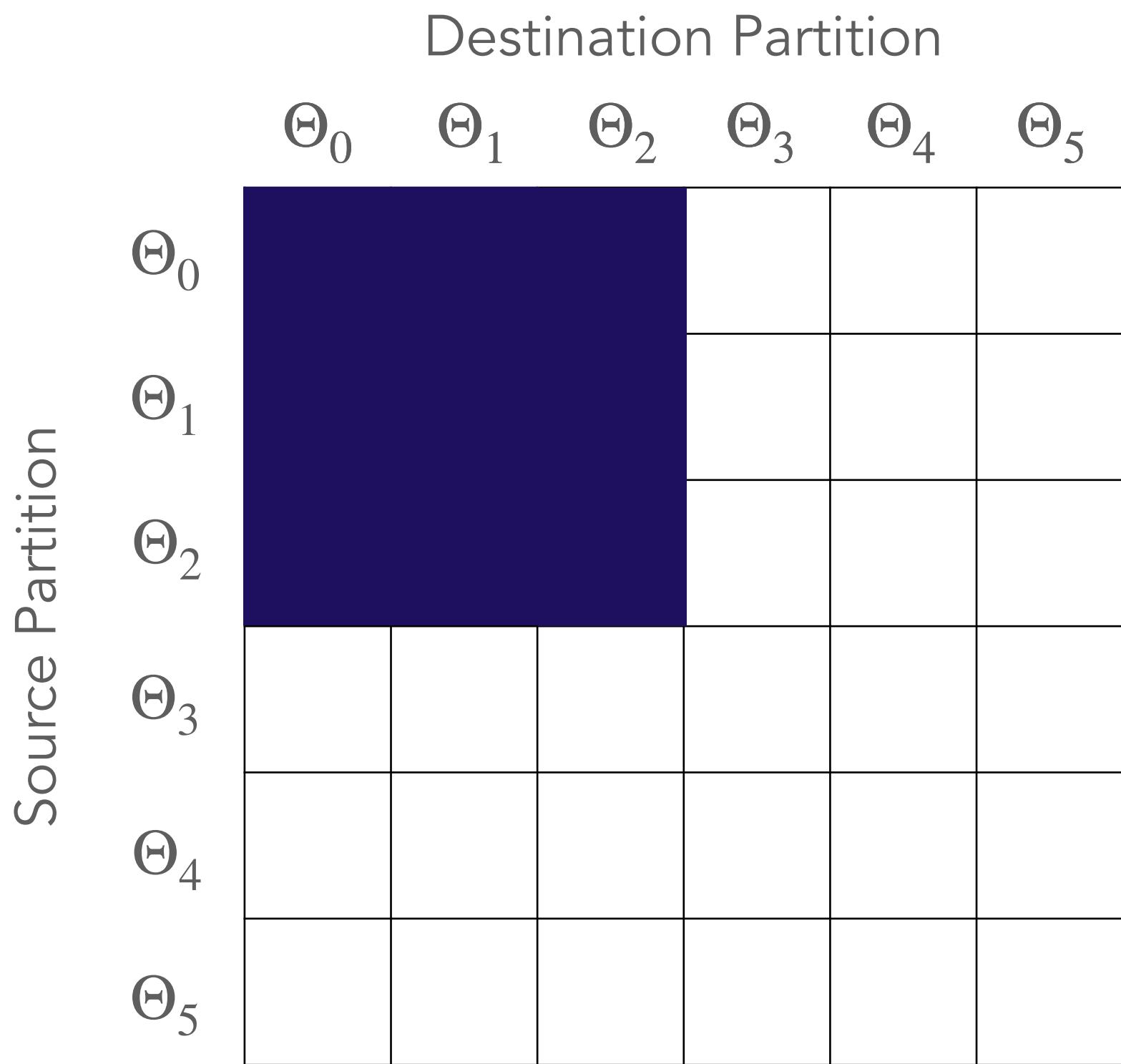
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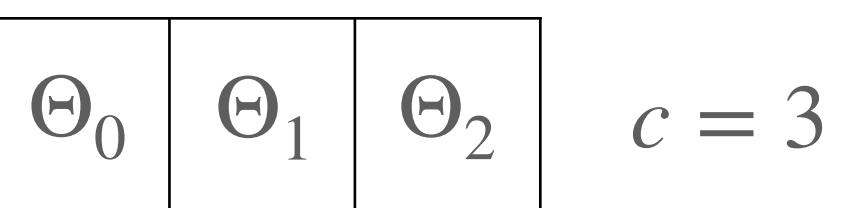
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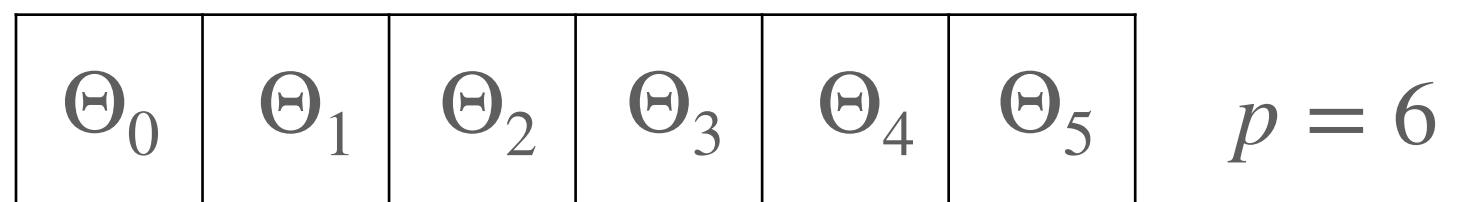
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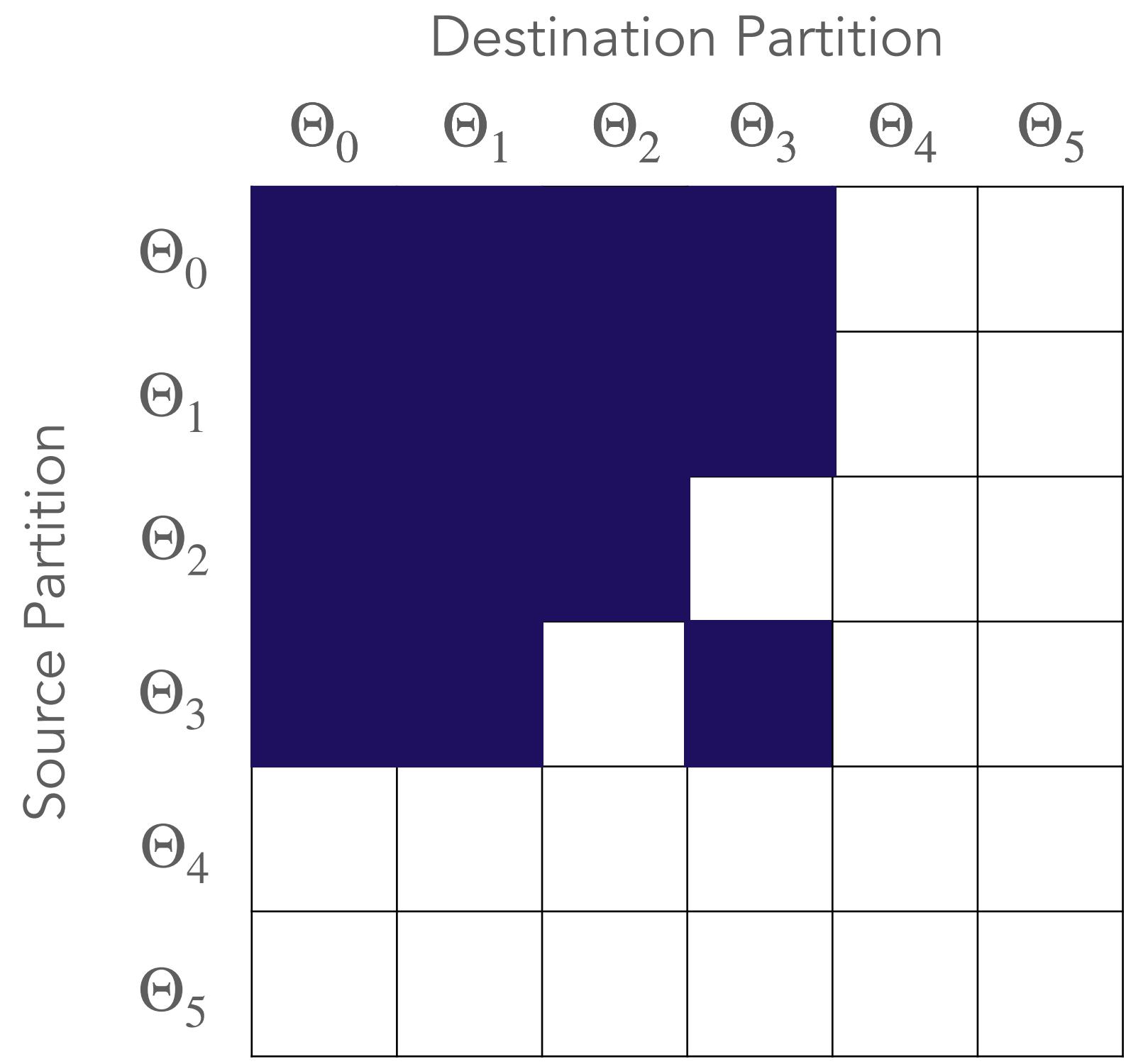
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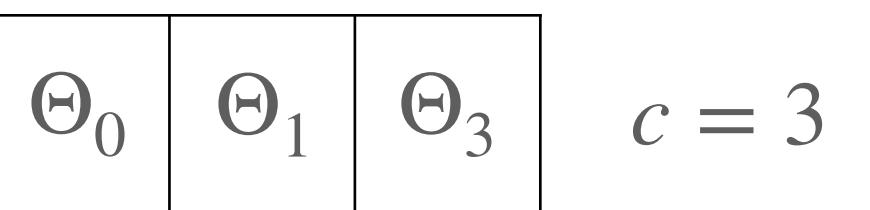
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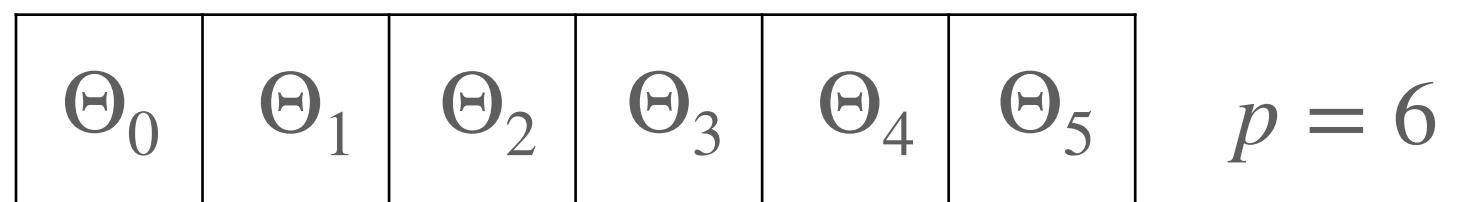
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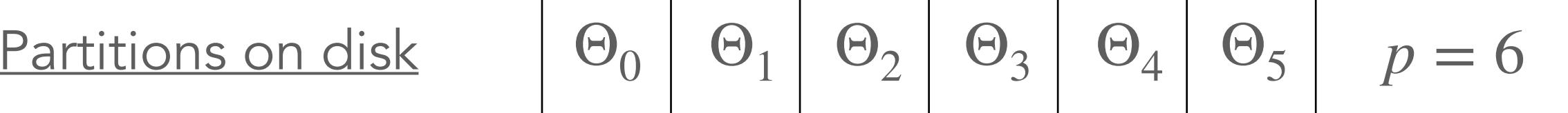
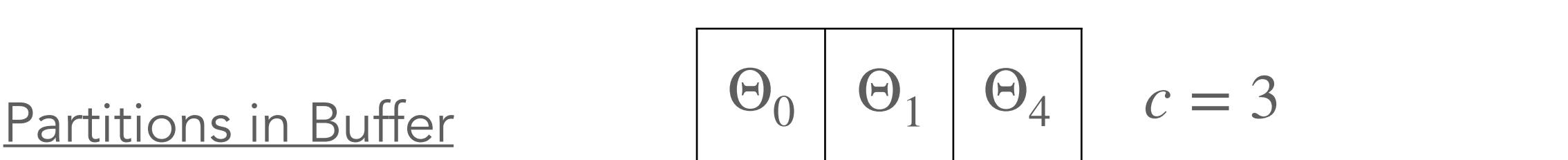
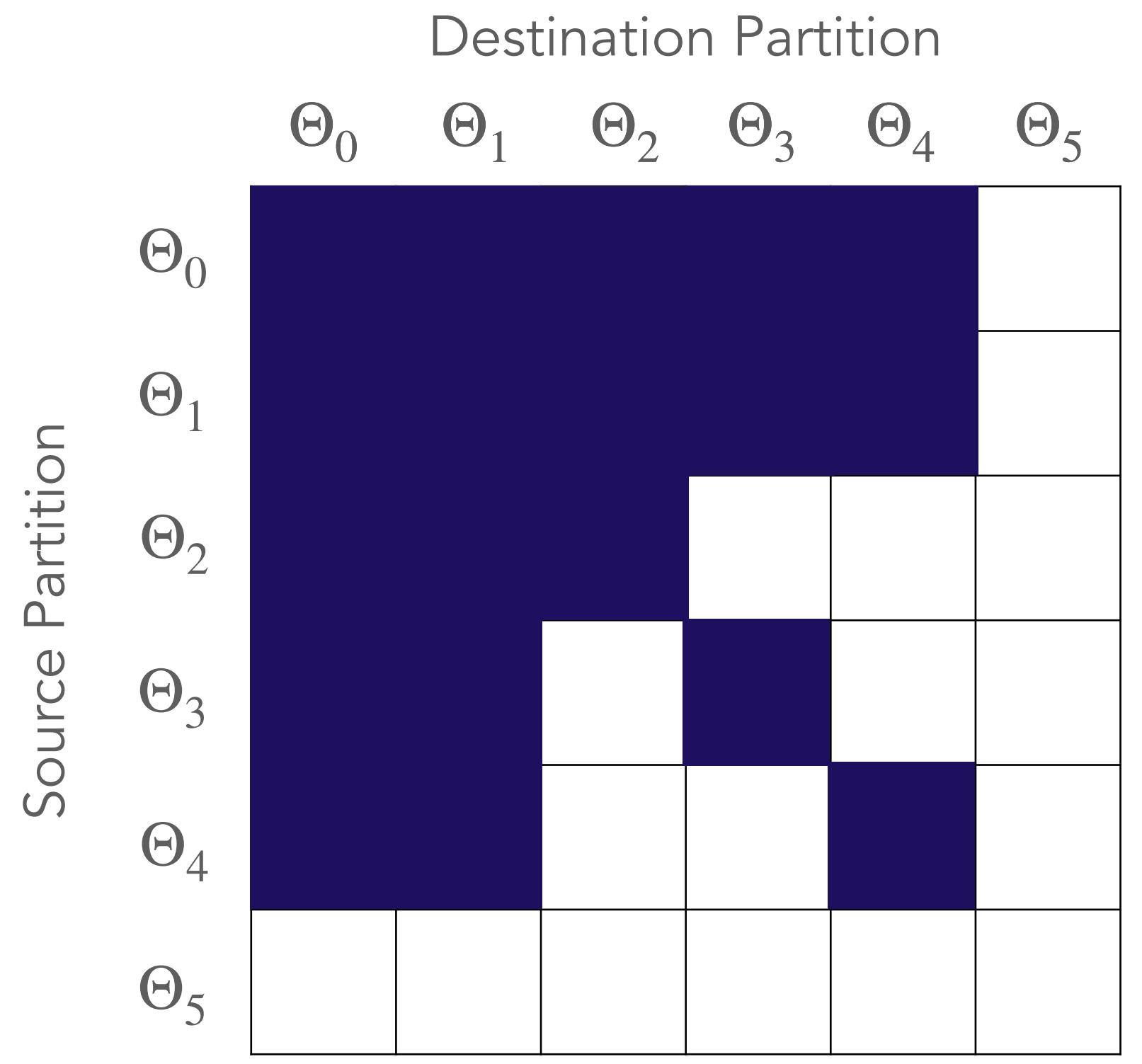
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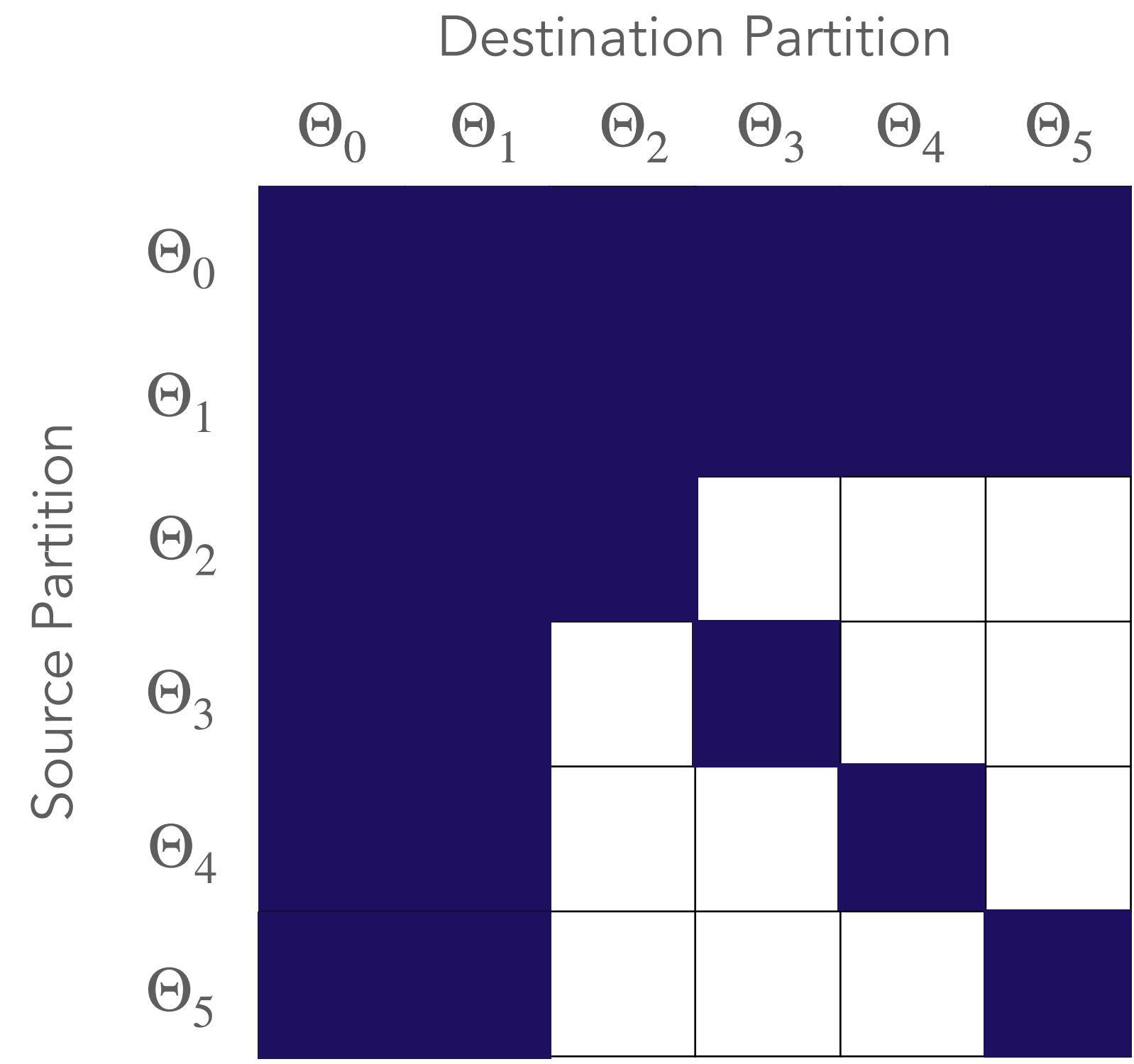
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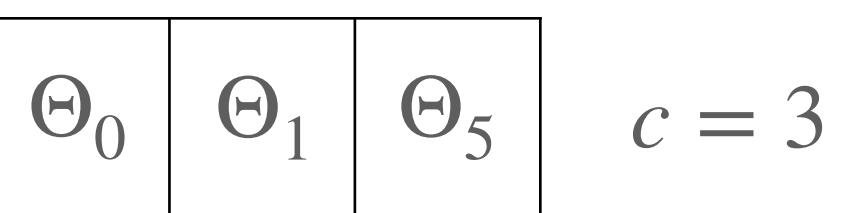
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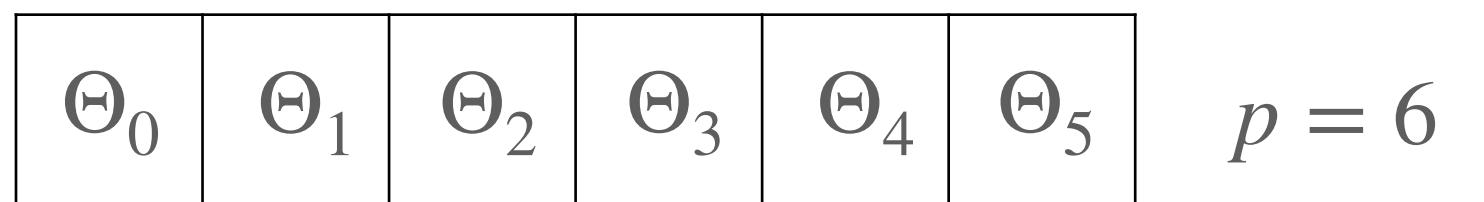
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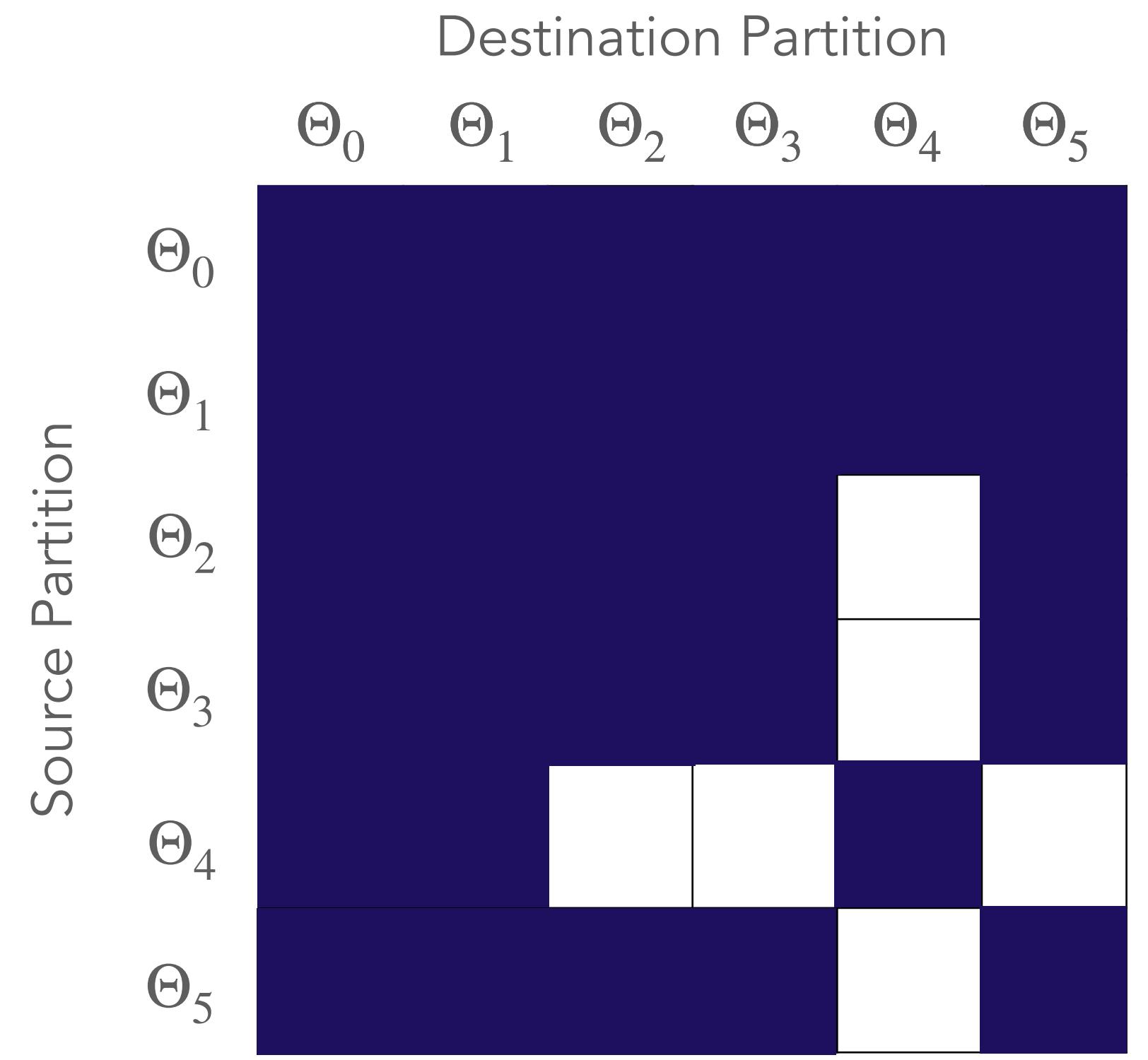
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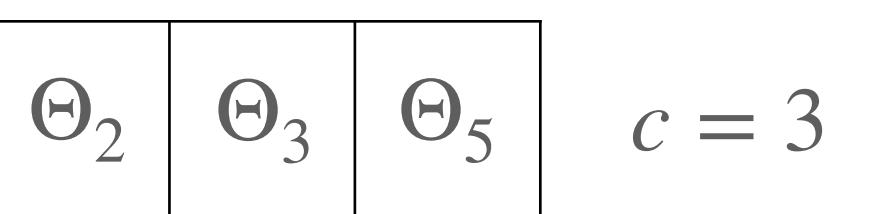
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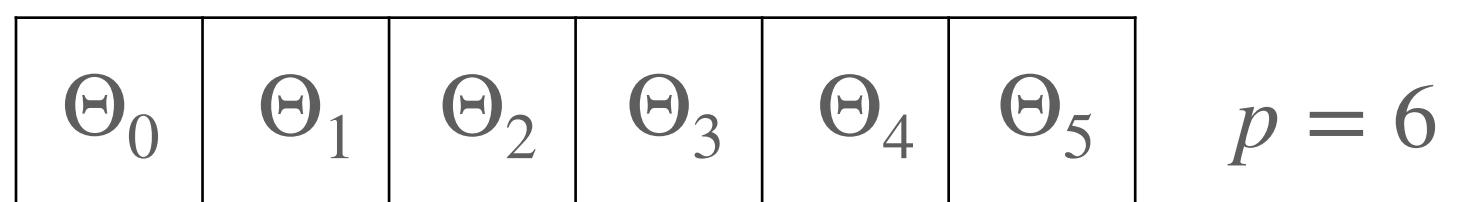
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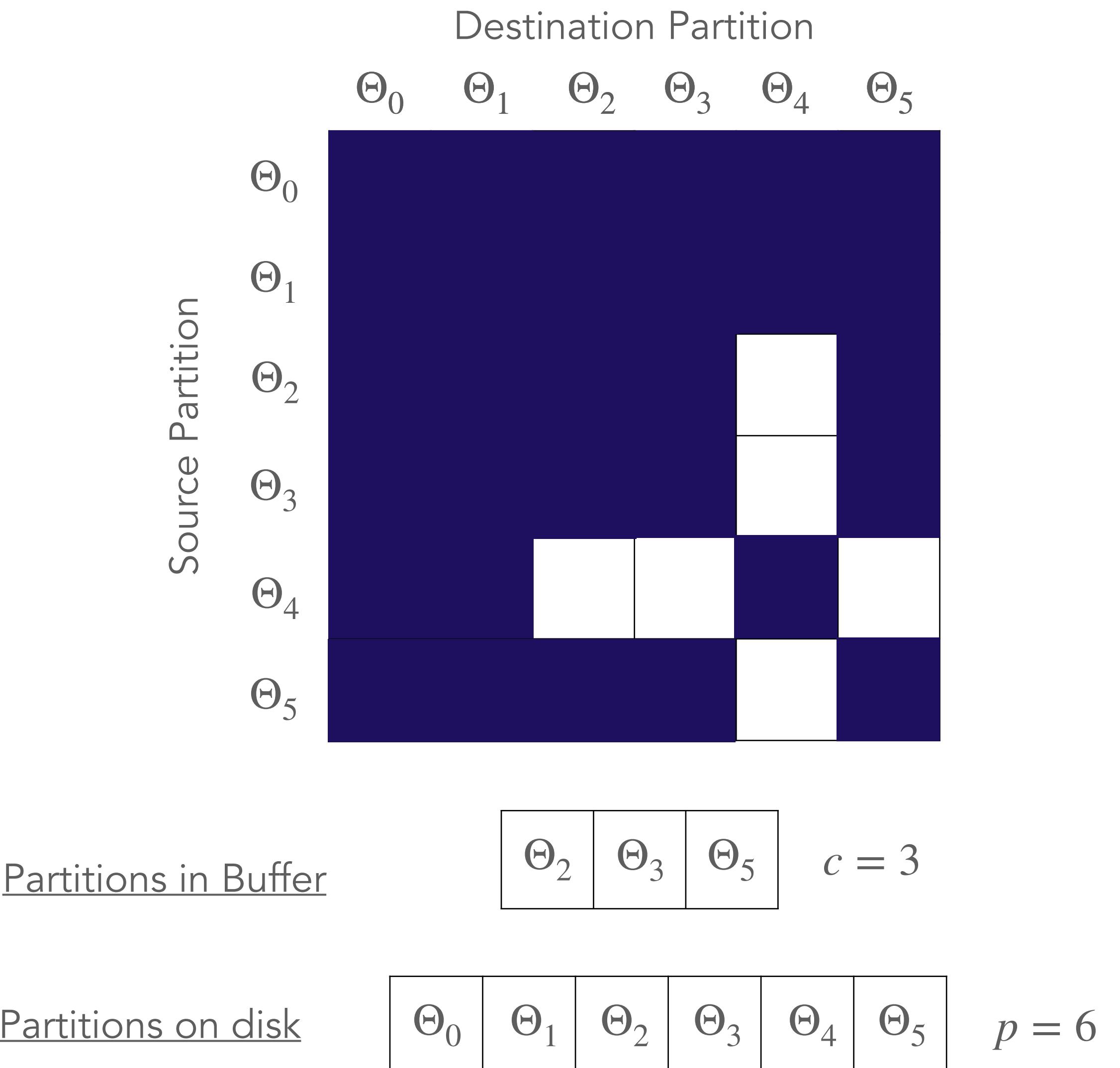
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BETA ordering gives 7 swaps (6 is the lower bound)

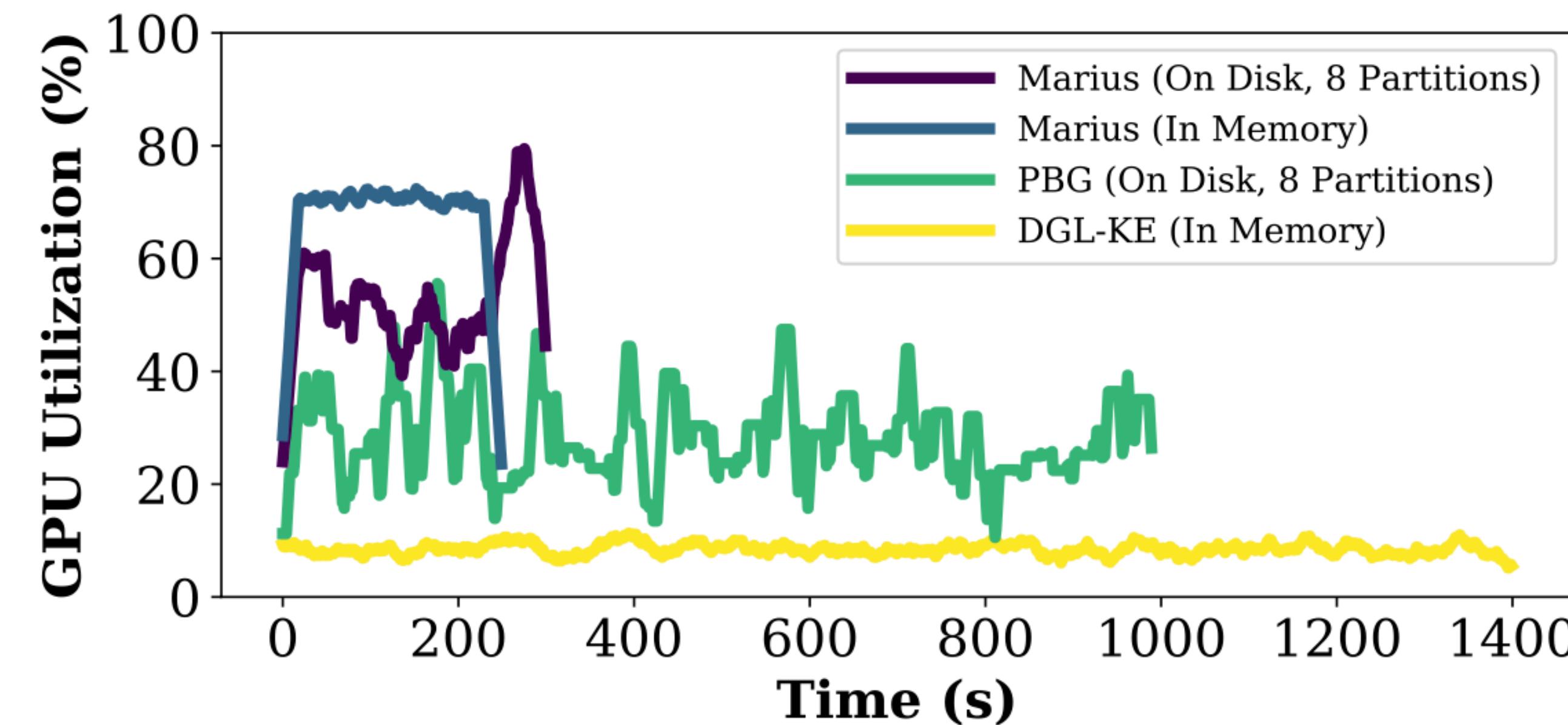
BETA ordering enables high GPU utilization

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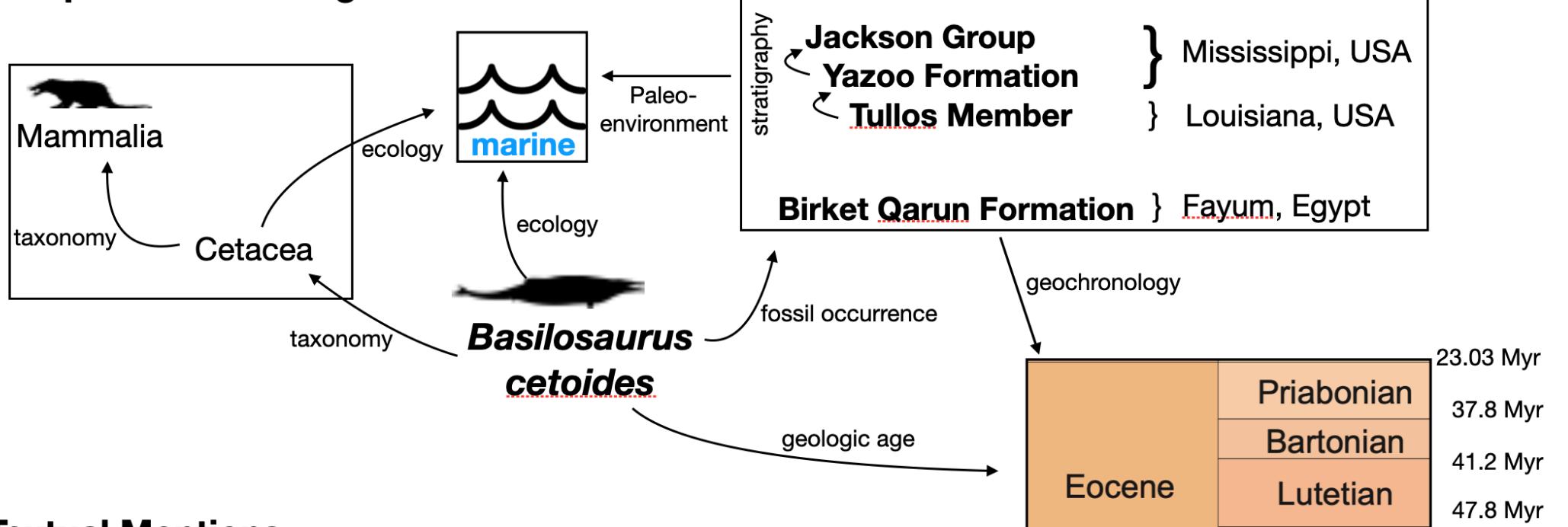
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Use-case: Construction of Scientific Knowledge Graphs

Simplified Knowledge Base

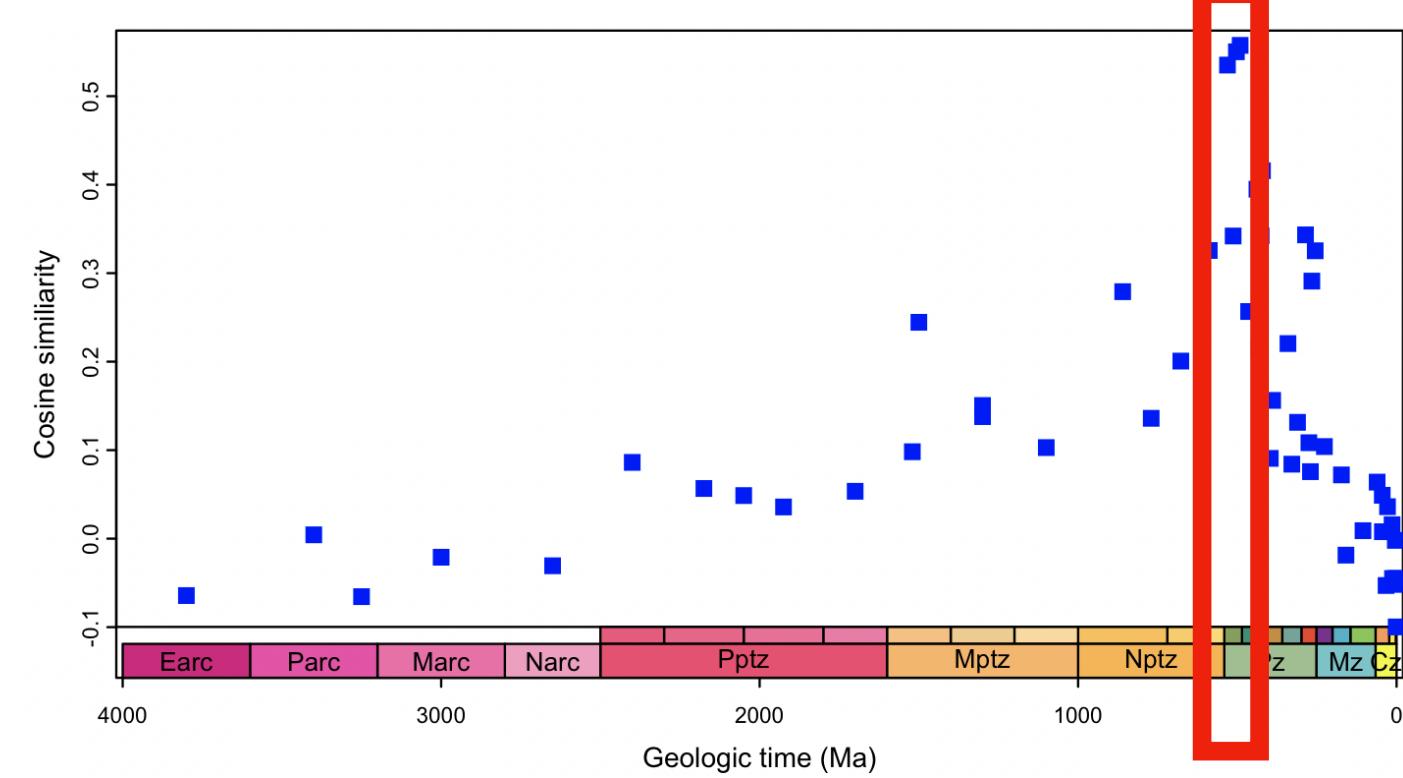
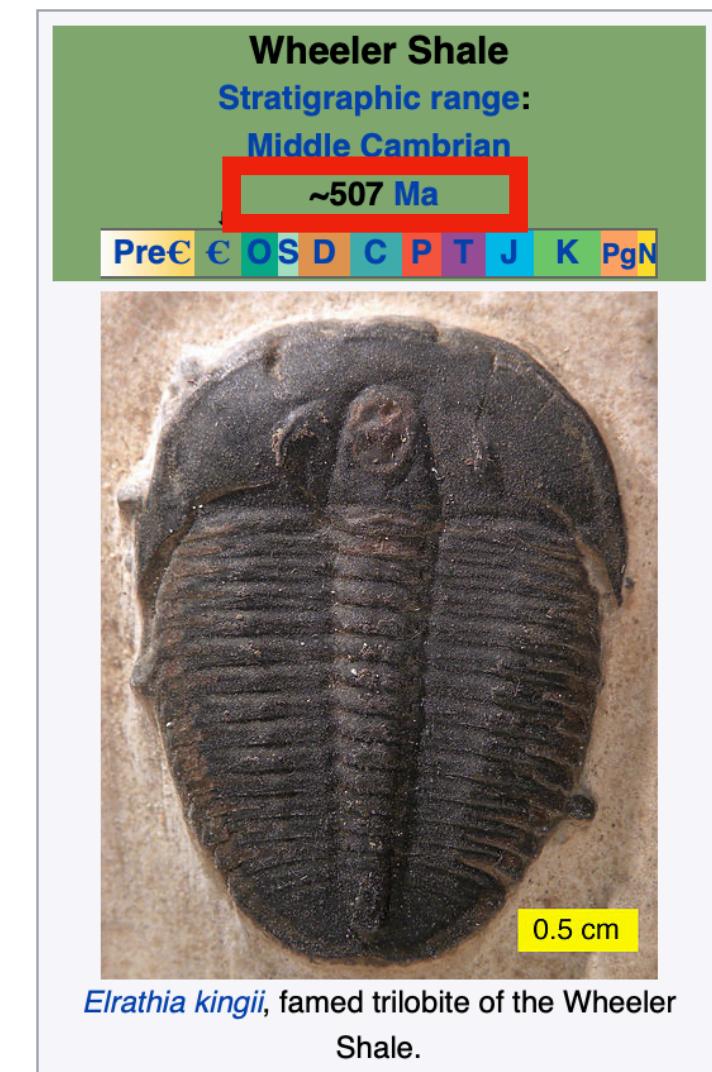
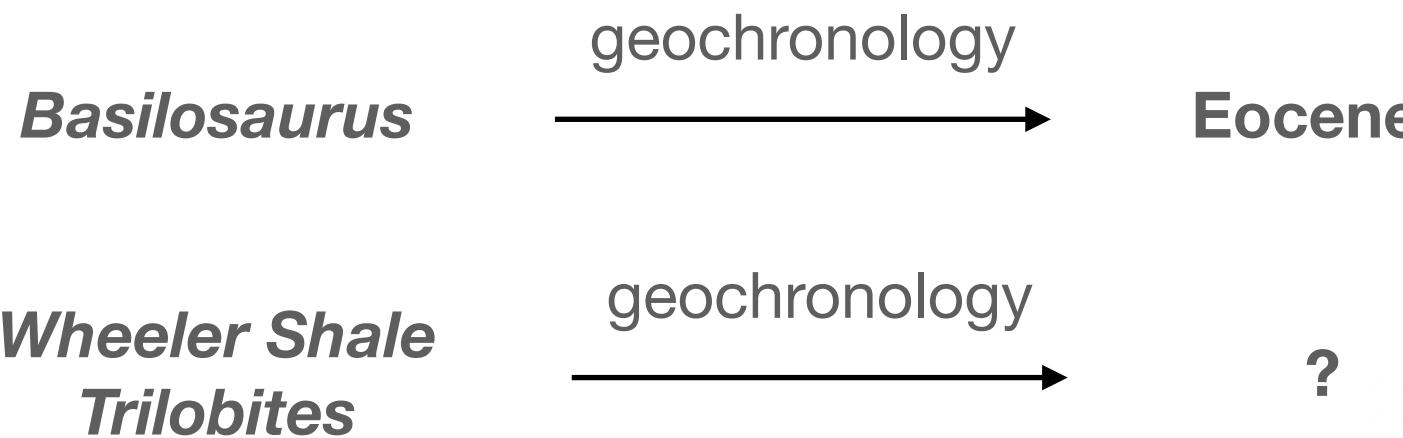


Textual Mentions

Fossils from an extinct toothed (*Archaeocete*) whale, *Basilosaurus cetoides*, were found in a surface exposure of the **Pachuta Marl Member** of the late Eocene **Yazoo Clay** near the **Matherville** community in **Wayne County, Mississippi**.

The **Yazoo Clay Formation** makes up the upper half of the **Jackson Group** in the central **Gulf Coastal Plain**, representing deposition during the TAGC4.3 **marine transgression**.

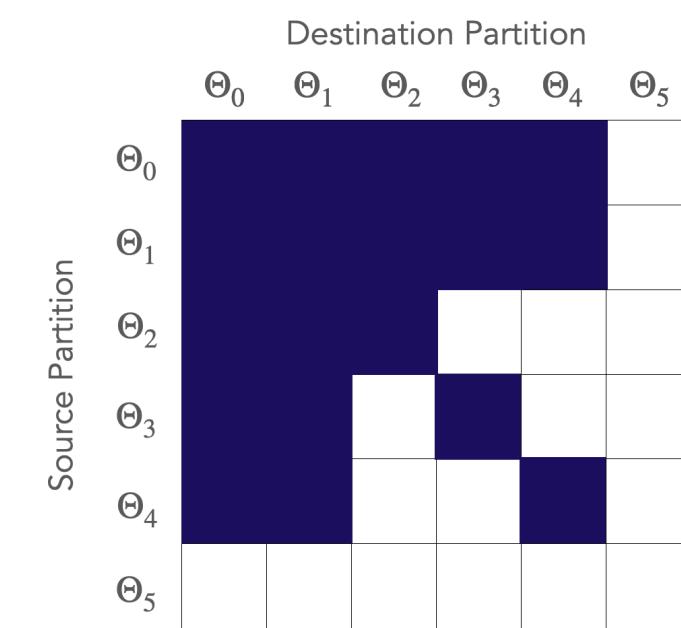
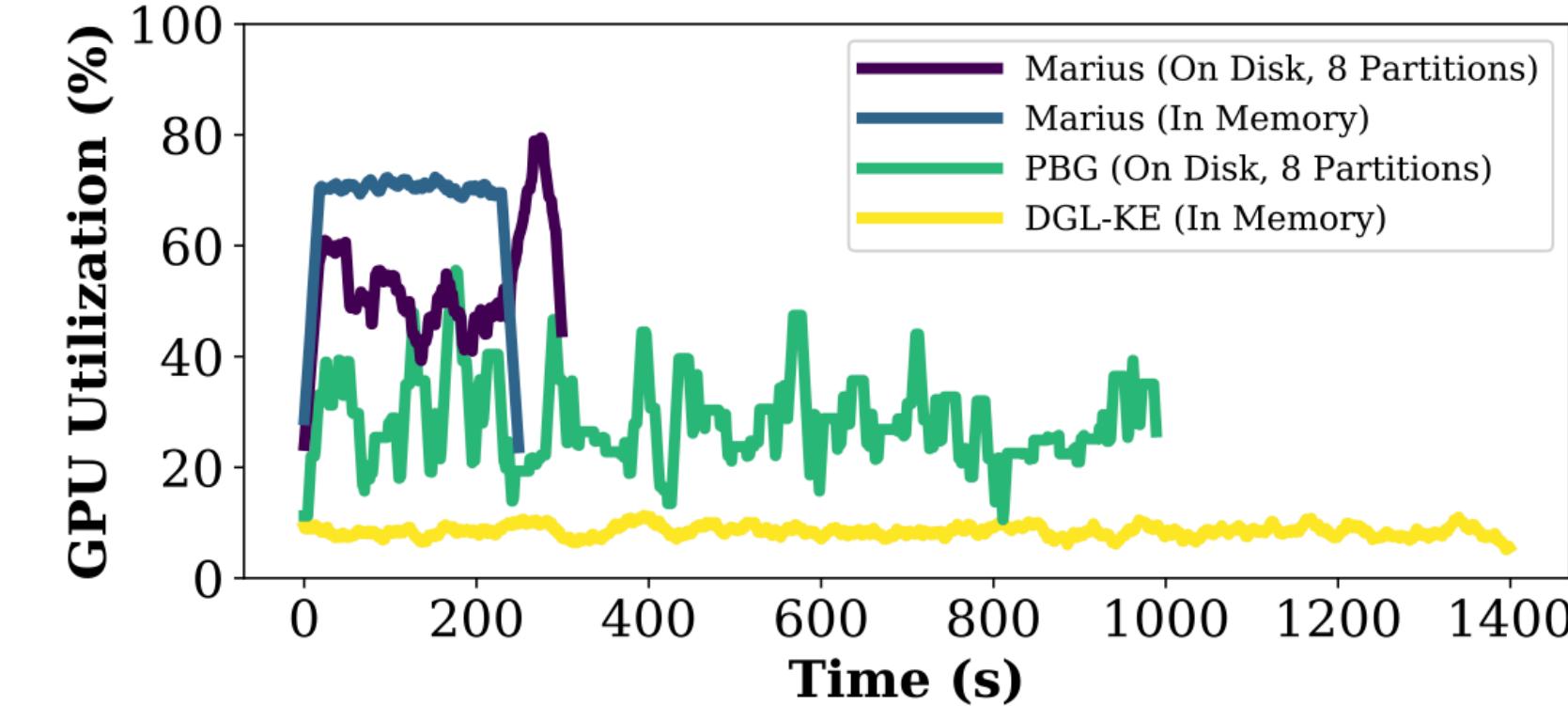
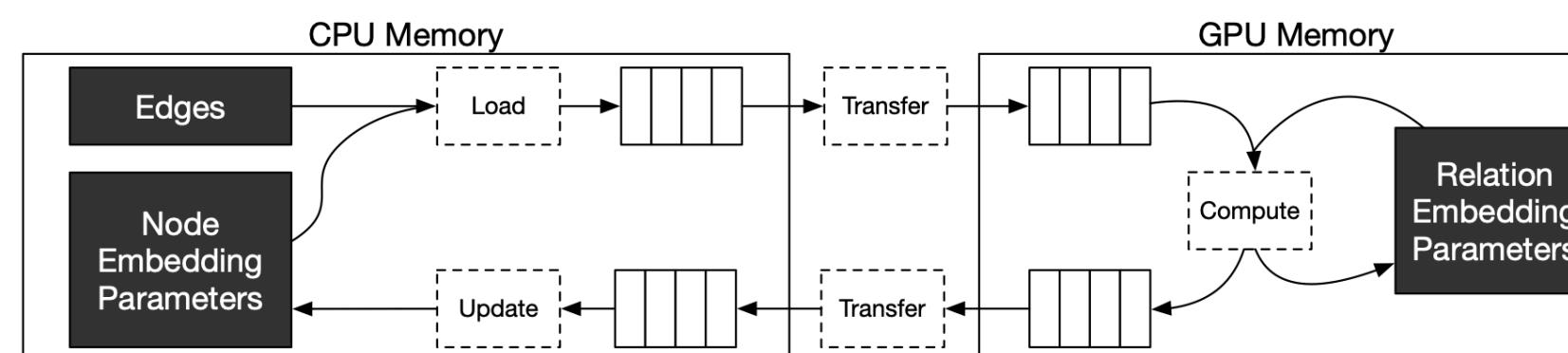
Analogical Reasoning Example



Joint embeddings of text and existing knowledge graphs to enable analogical reasoning and knowledge completion in any domain

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Can never process more than $2c - 1$ edge buckets per swap

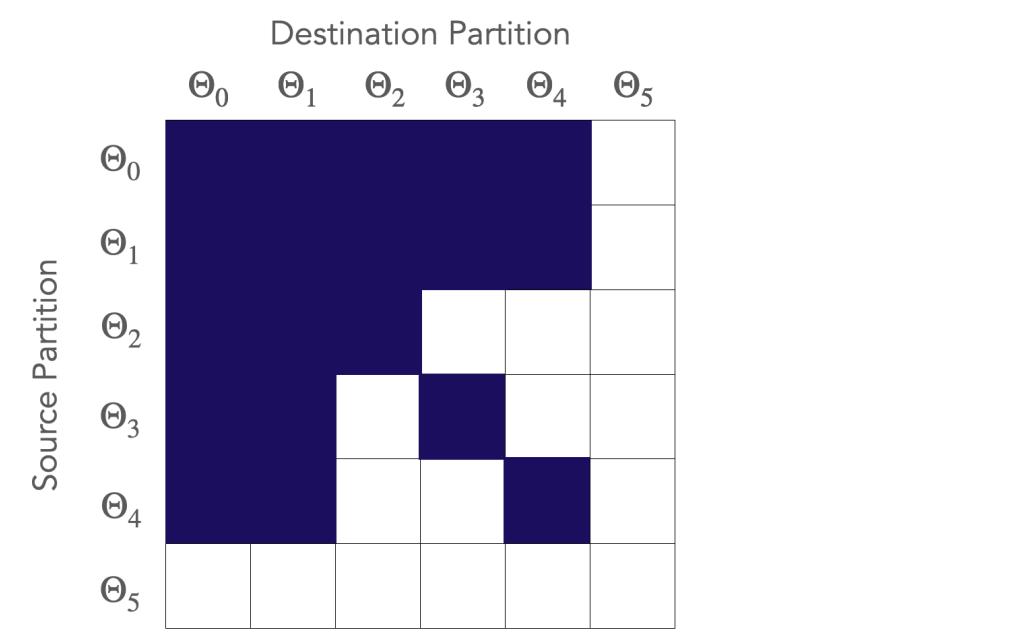
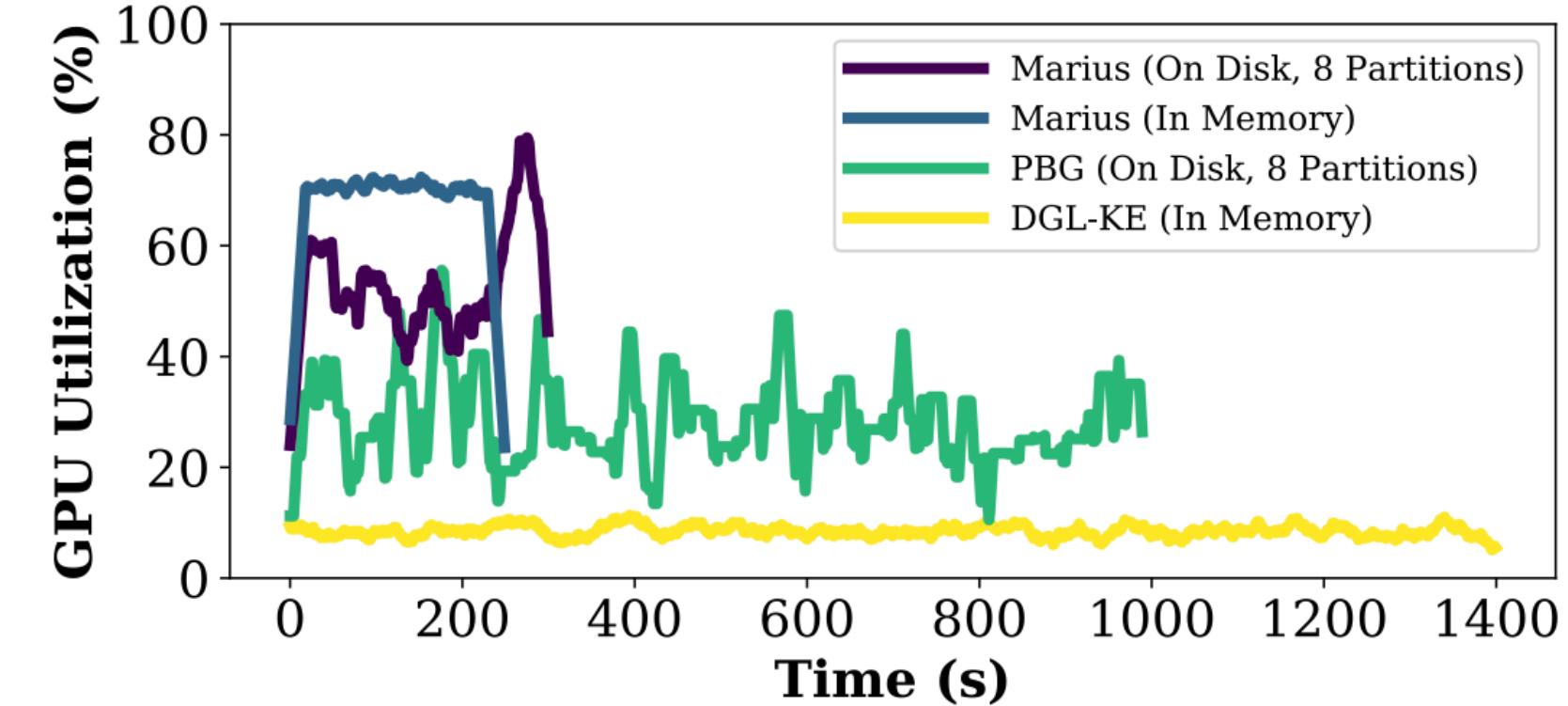
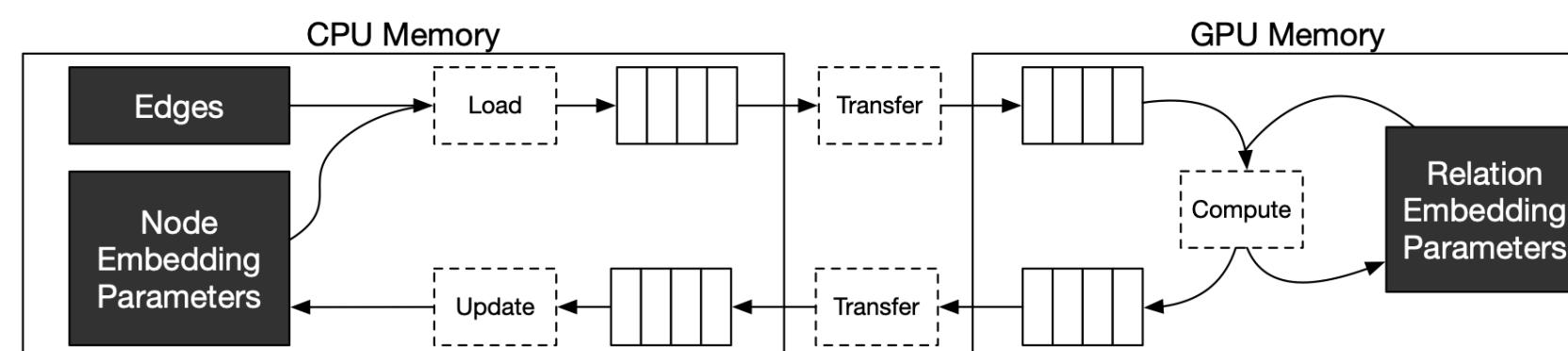
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Thank you!
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The case of exploiting the full memory stack

d	Size	Partitions	MRR	Runtime (Epoch)
20	13.6 GB	-	.698	4m
50	34.4 GB	-	.722	4.8m
100	68.8 GB	32	.726	12.1m
400	275.2 GB	32	.731	92.4m
800	550.4 GB	64	.731	396m

*MRR: mean reciprocal rank (higher is better)

Per-epoch runtime and reconstruction-accuracy as we increase the embedding size for Freebase
(86M nodes and 338M edges)

Higher-dimensional embeddings can lead to higher accuracy