
Ontology (Knowledge Graph) Embeddings

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Before we start...

Students' module evaluation

- Your feedback is very important.
- Evaluations are anonymous.
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- Access also via **MyMoodle**
- More information on **Student Hub**.

✗ Scores 1, 2, 3 are considered negative.

✓ Scores 4 and 5 are positive.



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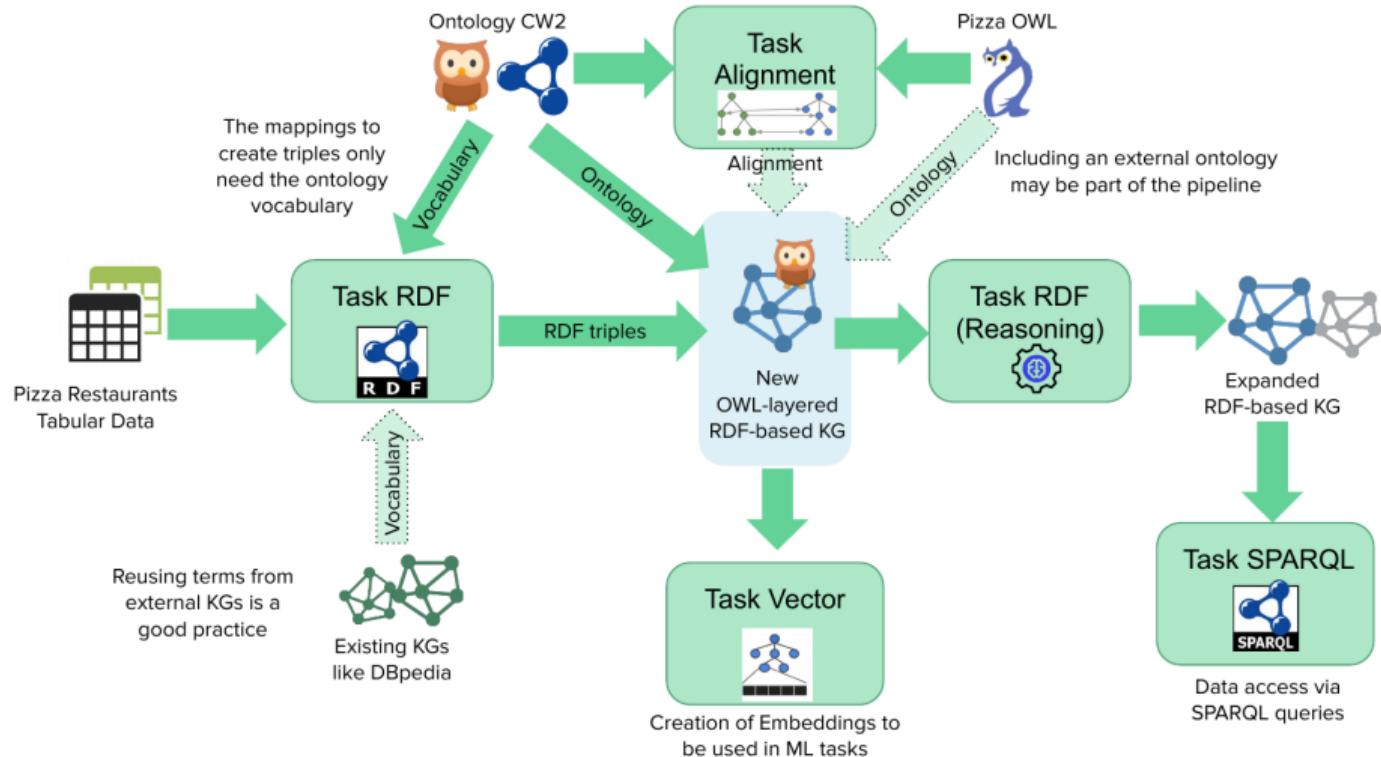
- April 4 (Today, cancelled).
- April 9 (online 10am). Tuesday.
- April 11 (on campus 2-4pm). Thursday.
- April 16 (online 10am). Tuesday.
- April 17 (online 1-3pm). Wednesday.
- April 23 (online 10am-12pm). Tuesday.
- April 30 (online 10am). Tuesday.
- May 2 (on campus 2-4pm). Tuesday.
- May 8 (online 10am). Wednesday.
- May 10 (on campus 3-5pm). Friday.

Where are we? Module organization.

- ✓ Introduction: Becoming a knowledge scientist.
- ✓ RDF-based knowledge graphs.
- ✓ OWL ontology language. Focus on modelling.
- ✓ SPARQL 1.0 Query Language.
- ✓ From tabular data to KG.
- ✓ RDFS Semantics and OWL 2 profiles.
- ✓ SPARQL 1.1, Rules and Graph Database solutions.
- ✓ Ontology Alignment.

9. **Ontology (KG) Embeddings and Machine Learning.** (Today)
10. (Large) Language Models and KGs. (Seminar)

The global picture



Coursework part 2

- Sunday, 12 May 2024, 5:00 PM
 - ✓ Tabular Data to Knowledge Graph: 40% (Weeks 2 and 5)
 - ✓ SPARQL and Reasoning: 20% (Weeks 4, 7 and 8)
 - ✓ Ontology Alignment: 10% (Week 9)
 - ✓ Ontology Embeddings: 10% (Week 10)

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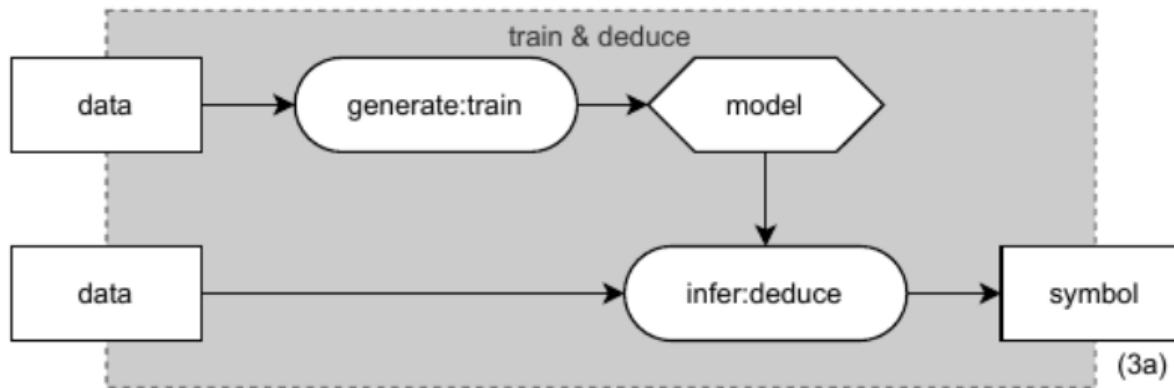
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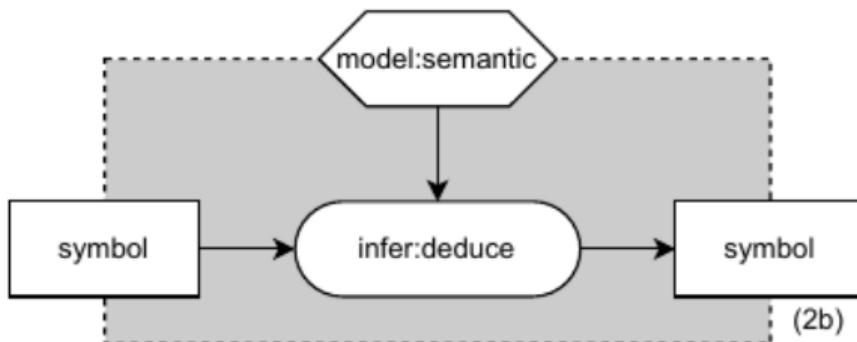
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For example, image classification as in the <http://www.image-net.org/> challenge (symbol = label from WordNet).

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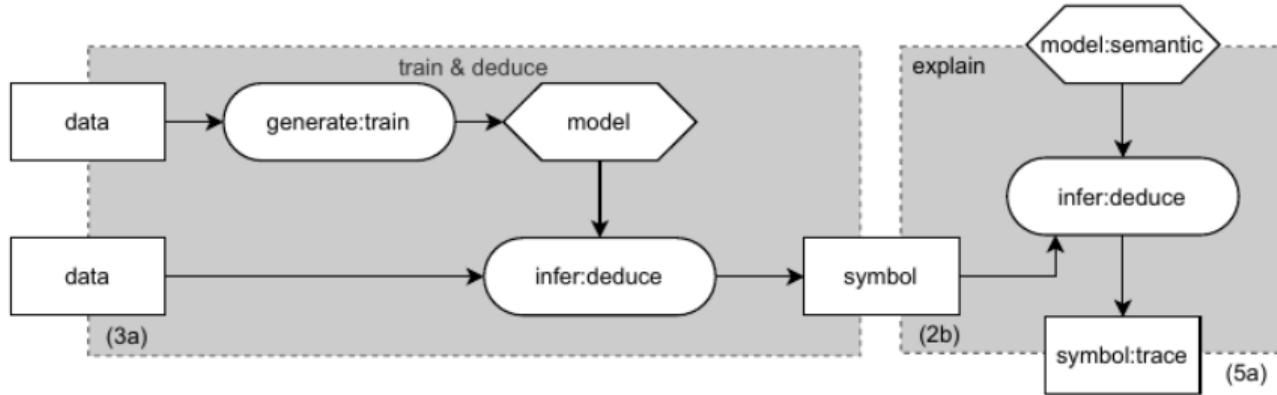
Semantic model pattern (non hybrid)



- Standard reasoning (*e.g.*, classification, class membership).
 - *infer:deduce* → deductive inference
- Rule-mining and ontology learning based on symbolic data (*i.e.*, ABox).
 - *infer:deduce* → inductive inference

Hybrid patterns

Explainability

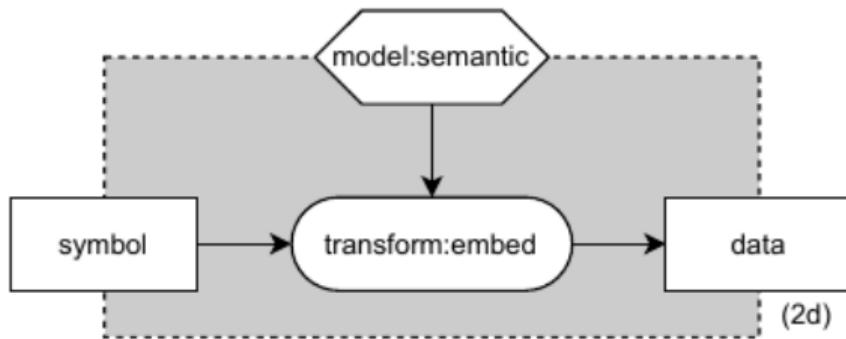


The semantic model explains/interprets the prediction. And possibly validates the prediction too.

Human-driven FOL explanations of deep learning. IJCAI 2020

Knowledge graphs as tools for explainable machine learning: A survey. Artificial Intelligence 2022

Knowledge graph embeddings



Symbols are transformed into vectors (e.g., OWL2Vec)

Knowledge Graph Embedding: A Survey of Approaches and Applications. TKDE 2017
OWL2Vec*: Embedding of OWL Ontologies. Machine Learning journal (2021)

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- Embeddings aim at creating **meaningful low-dimensional continuous vectors**.
 - dbr:london → [0.5 0.3 0.8 1.0 0.0 ...]

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Principal Component-Analysis (PCA)

- An unsupervised dimensionality reduction algorithm.
- Useful....
 - as a tool for visualization (e.g., vector representation in 2-D)
 - for noise filtering
 - for feature extraction and engineering

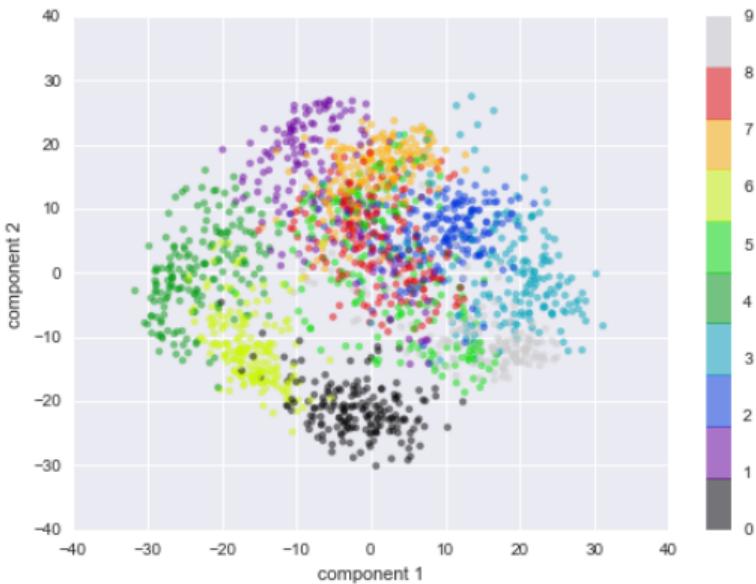
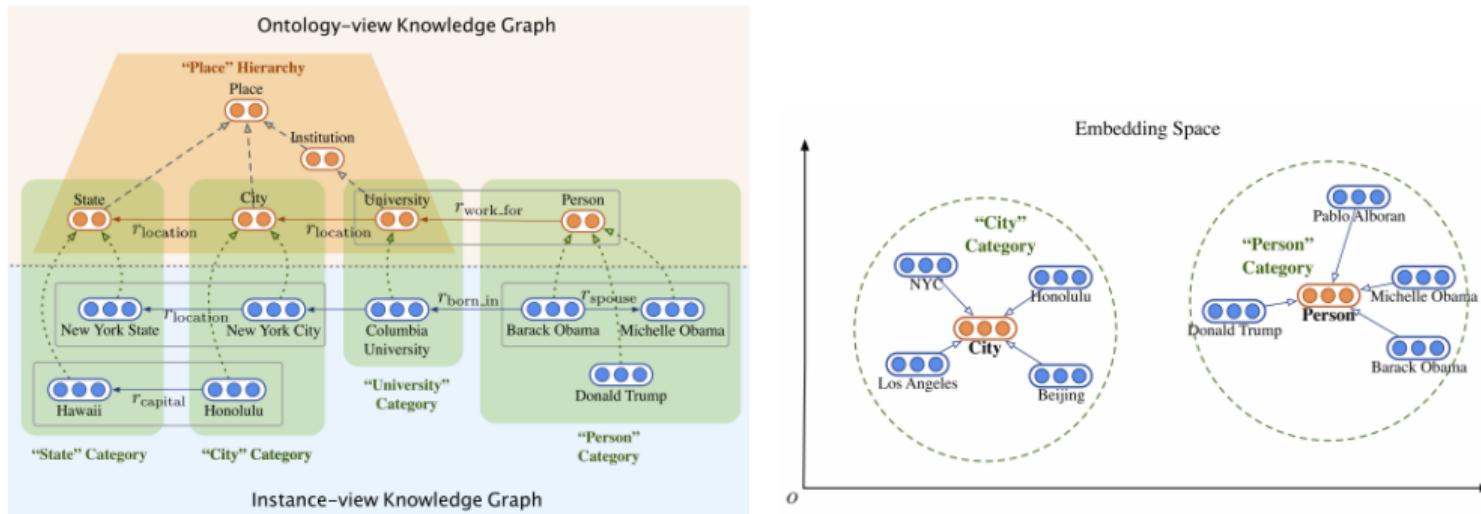


Figure: From 64 dimensions to 2

<https://jakevdp.github.io/PythonDataScienceHandbook/05.09-principal-component-analysis.html>

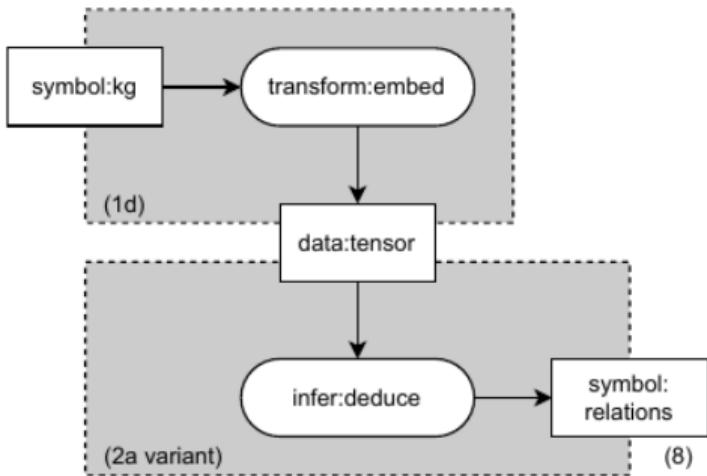
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KG Embedding Systems exploit the neighbourhood of an entity to calculate its vector.

Example from: Universal Representation Learning of Knowledge Bases by Jointly Embedding Instances and Ontological Concepts. KDD 2019.

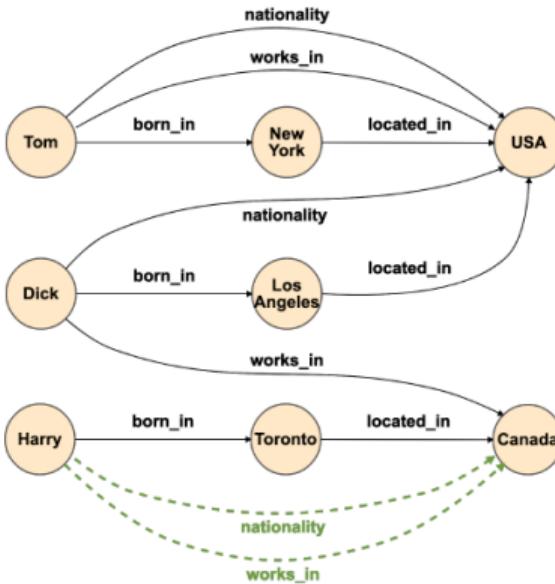
Knowledge Graph Embeddings: Link prediction



- Plausibility of a triple `<subject predicate object>` given a scoring function.

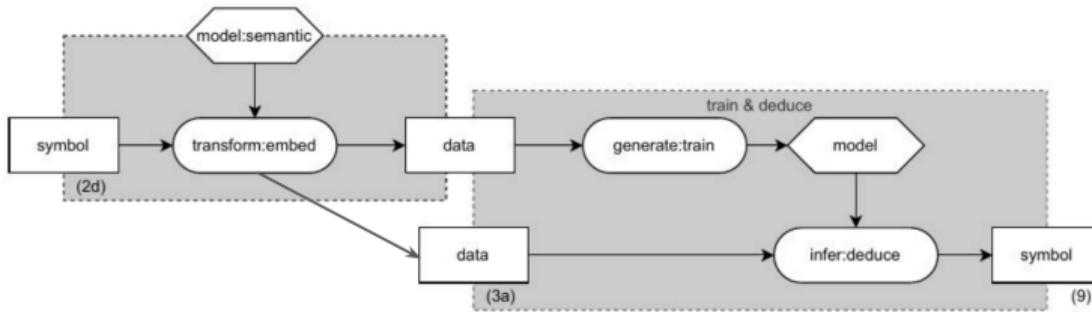
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- Applying knowledge graph embeddings in a subsequent classification step.
- Graph Neural Networks over the KG structure.
- Key for zero-shot learning approaches

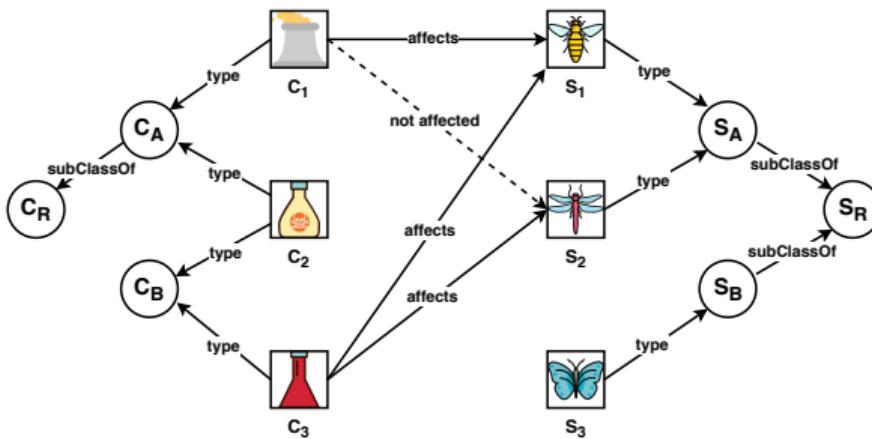
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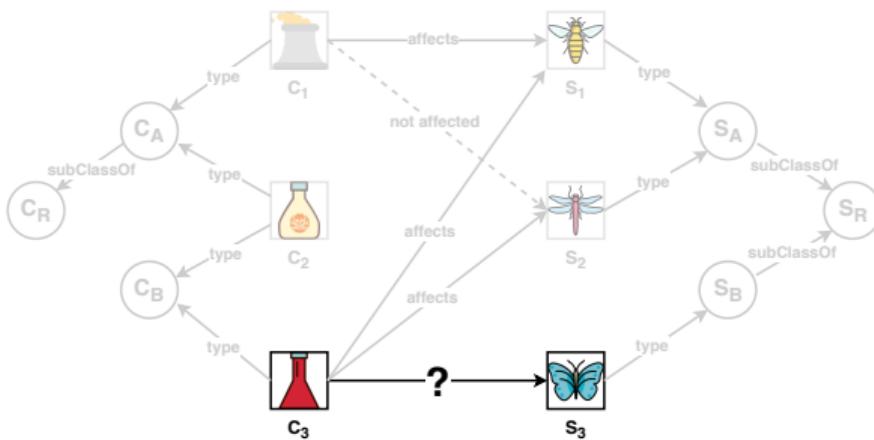
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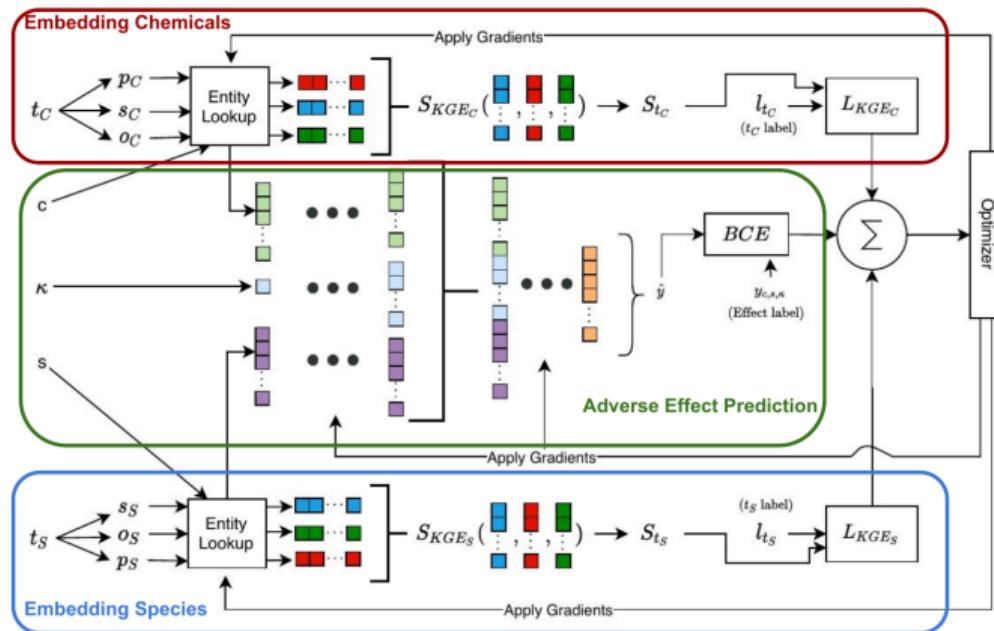
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KGE are critical for unseen chemicals and species. Also useful for explainability.

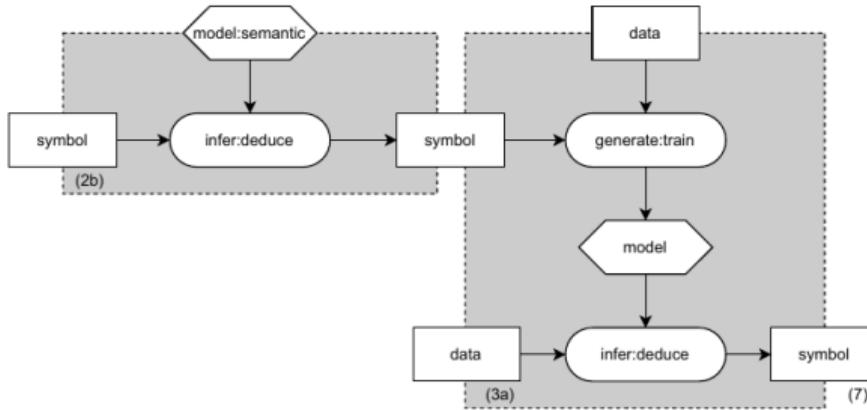
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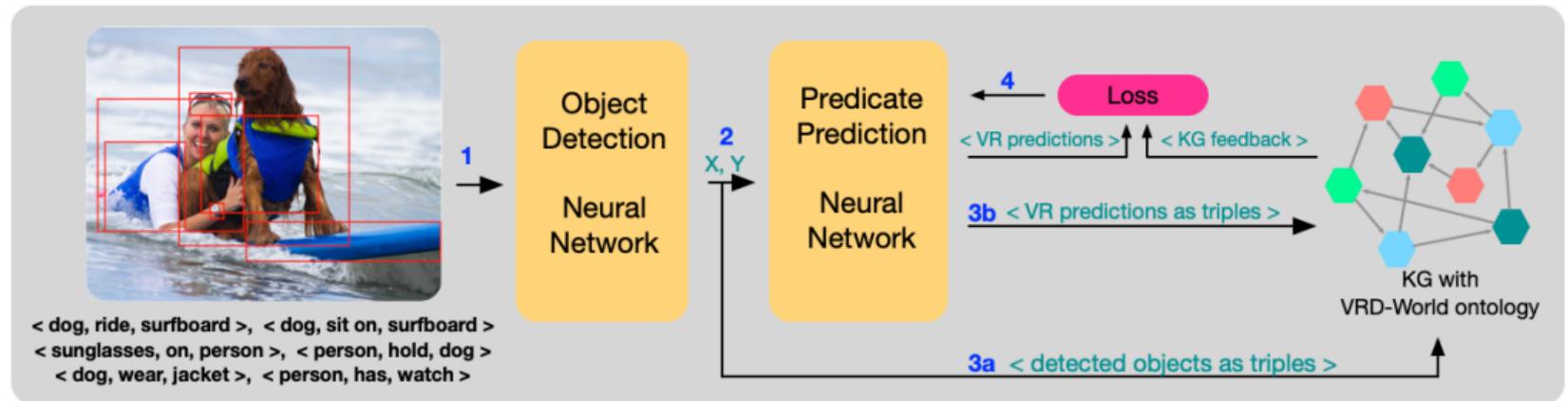
Learning with prior knowledge (i)



- Domain knowledge (e.g., a KG) used to constraint search space during training.
- **Semantic loss function:** impact of the violation of the symbolic knowledge.

A semantic loss function for deep learning with symbolic knowledge. ICML 2018
Logic Tensor Networks. <https://github.com/logictensornetworks/logictensornetworks>

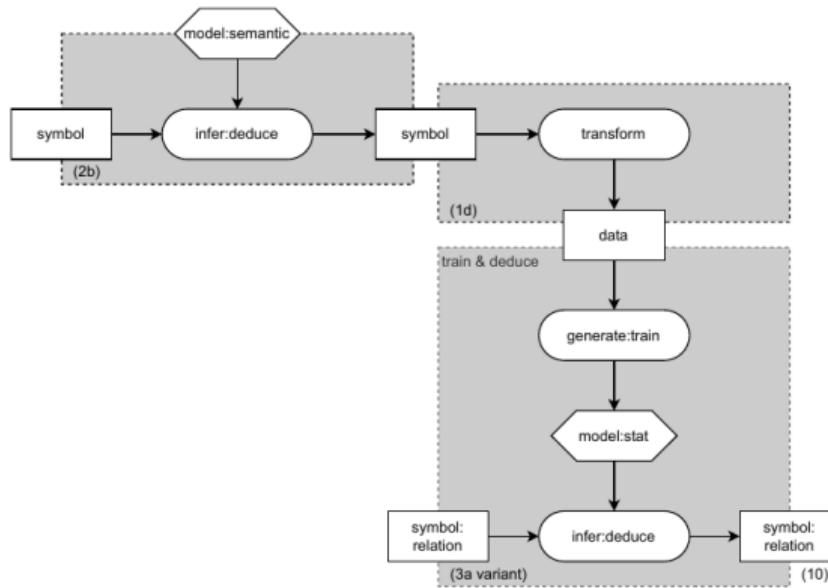
Learning with prior knowledge (ii)



- Penalisation of predictions that violate constraint in the KG.

D. Herron et al. On the Potential of Logic and Reasoning in Neurosymbolic Systems using OWL-based Knowledge Graphs. Under review, 2024.

Learning to reason

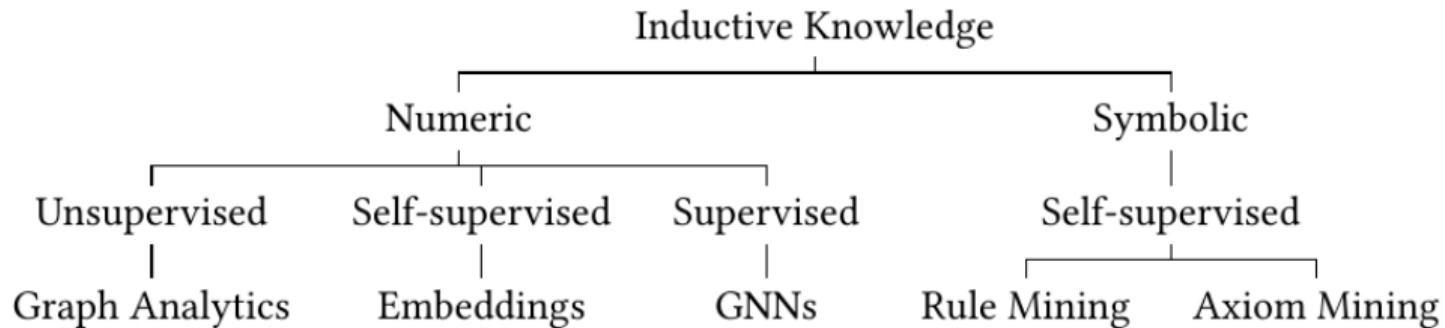


Ontology Reasoning with Deep Neural Networks. JAIR 2021

Inductive Techniques for Knowledge Graphs

Focus on Knowledge Graph Embeddings

Inductive techniques for knowledge graphs



- Input: A Knowledge Graph (symbolic)
- Representation generated: Numeric or Symbolic

Knowledge Graphs. <https://kgbook.org/>. 2021

Graph analytics (unsupervised)

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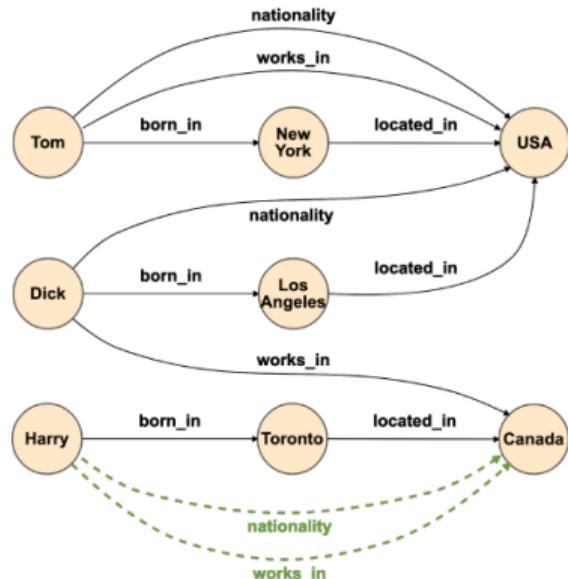
Graph Neural Networks (supervised)

- Machine learning models for **graph-structured data**.
- The **neural network is based on the shape and connections** of the (knowledge) graph.
- **End-to-end supervised learning** (e.g., classification).
- Can be used to classify nodes or the graph itself.

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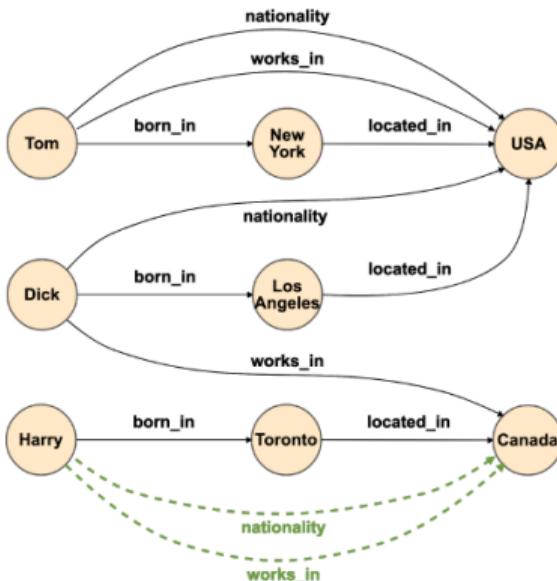
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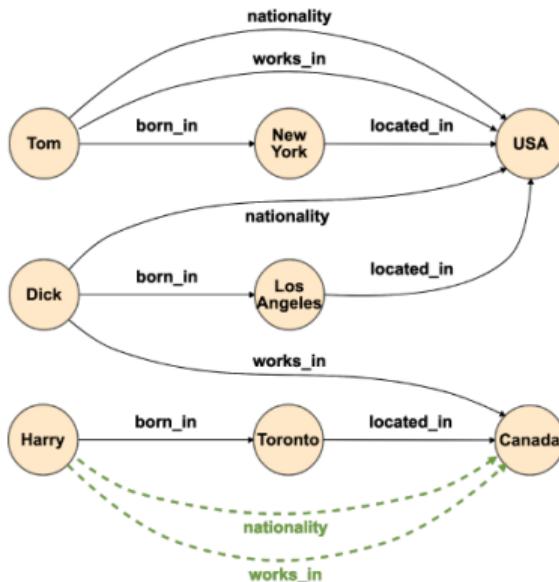
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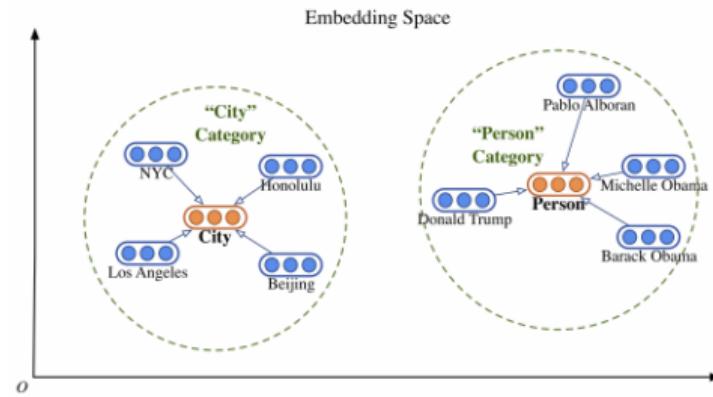
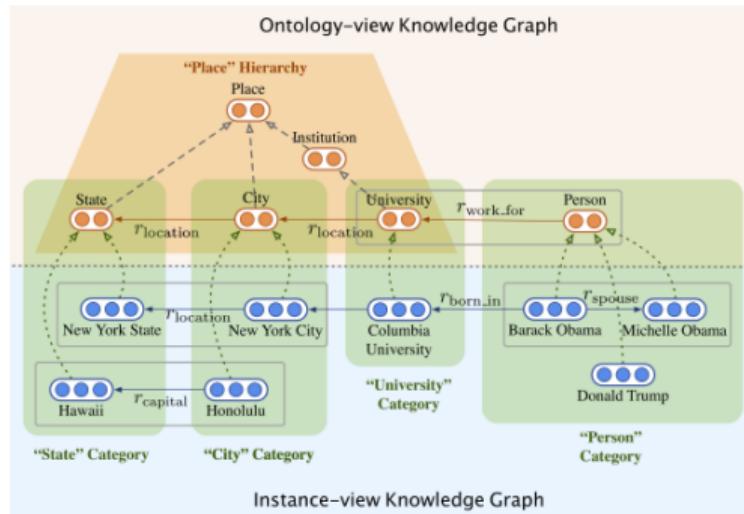


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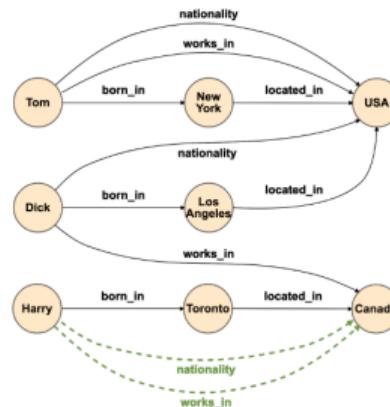
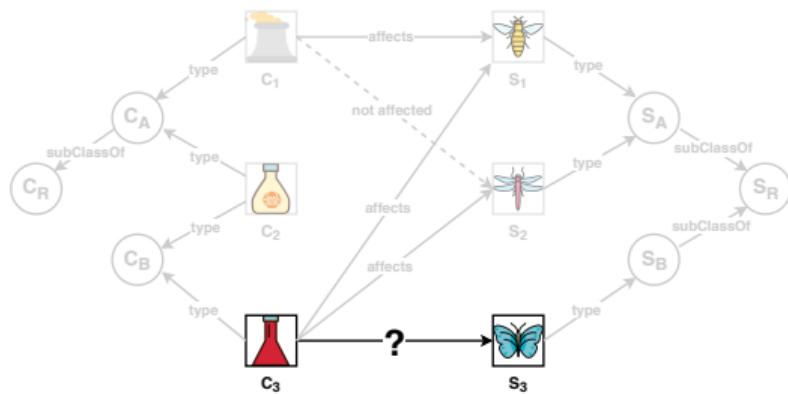
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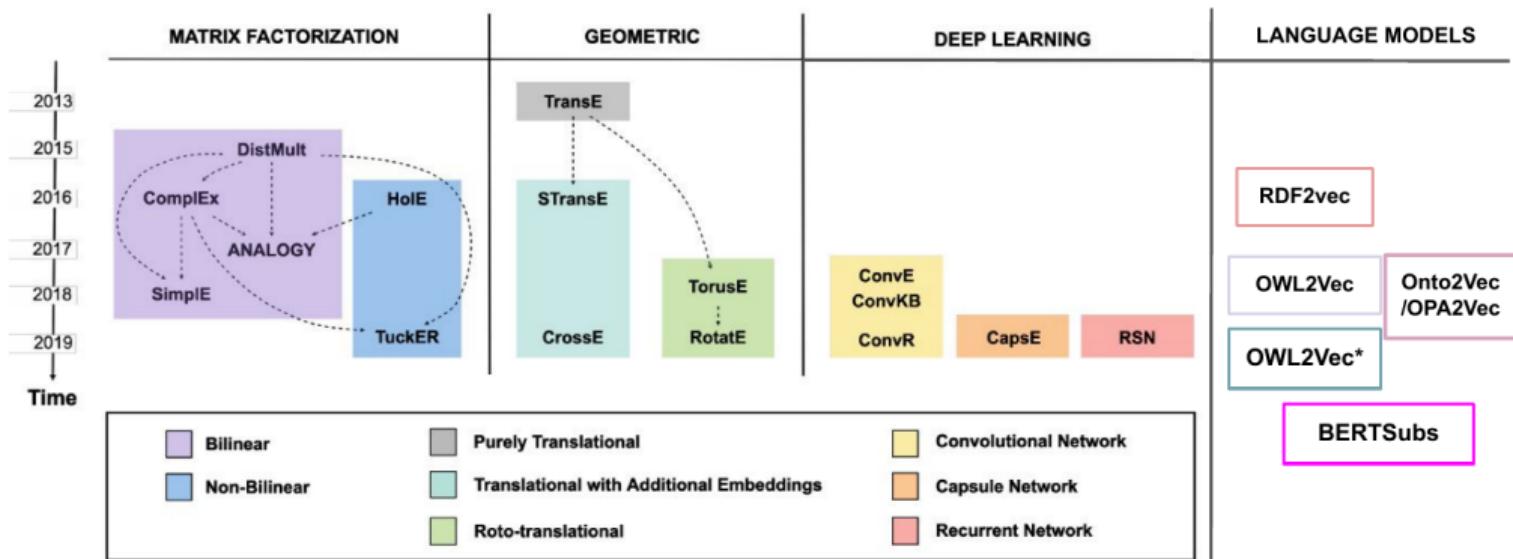
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- Learn embeddings so that the score for positive triples is maximized while the score for negative triples is minimized (*i.e.*, **loss function**).
- Compute **similar vectors** for similar nodes (*i.e.*, concepts/instances) and edges (*i.e.*, properties).

Knowledge graph embeddings (applications)

- The computed embedding can be used in a **downstream machine learning task** (e.g., prediction of adverse effect chemical-species).
- The scoring function can be used to evaluate the plausibility of a triple for **link prediction** or **KG completion**.



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Incomplete list of approaches, adapted from: Knowledge Graph Embedding for Link Prediction: A Comparative Analysis. TKDD 2021

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- **Language models**: perform random walks over the KG to create a document of sentences and leverage existing language models (e.g., word embedding) to learn vectors for each KG entity.

Knowledge graph embeddings (implementations)

- PyKEEN (Python KnowlEdge EmbeddiNgs) with PyTorch:
<https://pykeen.github.io/>
- Open Knowledge Embedding implemented with PyTorch:
<https://github.com/thunlp/OpenKE>
- Knowledge Embedding implemented with Keras:
<https://github.com/NIVA-Knowledge-Graph/KGE-Keras>
- jRDF2Vec: <https://github.com/dwslab/jRDF2Vec>
- pyRDF2Vec: <https://github.com/IBCNServices/pyRDF2Vec>
- OWL2Vec* (python): <https://github.com/KRR-Oxford/OWL2Vec-Star>

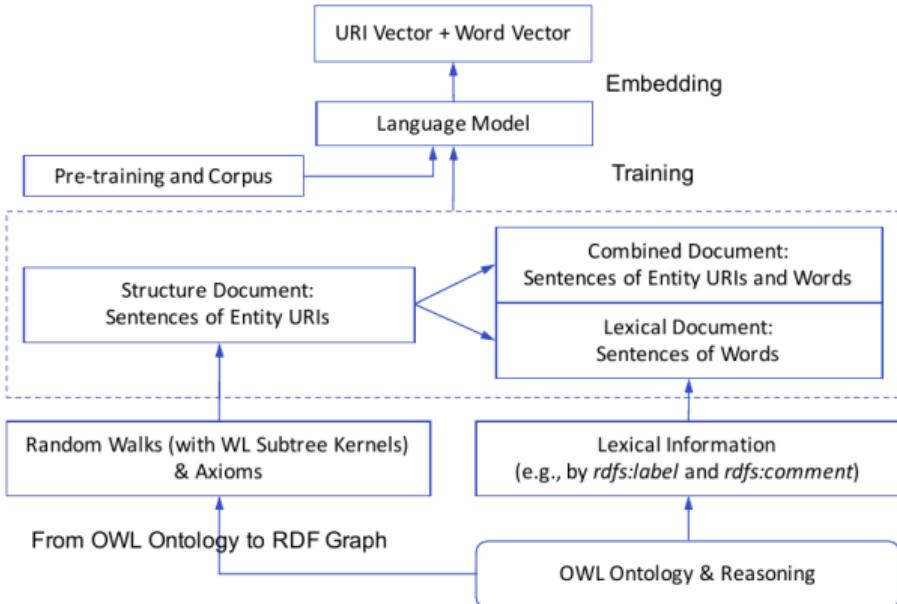
Knowledge graph embeddings (pre-trained)

- OpenKE:
<http://139.129.163.161/index/toolkits#pretrained-embeddings>
- Drug-drug interaction:
<https://github.com/rcelebi/GraphEmbedding4DDI/>
- Universal Knowledge Graph Embeddings: <https://embeddings.cc/>

Embedding ontologies with OWL2Vec*

OWL2Vec* Overview

- **projects** the ontology into a graph,
- **walks** the graph,
- creates a **corpus of sentences** according to the walking strategies, and
- generates **embeddings** from that corpus.



OWL2Vec*: Embedding of OWL Ontologies. Machine Learning journal 2021.

OWL2Vec*: ontology projection

Approximation of an OWL 2 ontology into an RDF graph.

Axiom of Condition 1	Axiom or Triple(s) of Condition 2	Projected Triple(s)
$A \sqsubseteq \square r.D$ or $\square r.D \sqsubseteq A$	$D \equiv B \mid B_1 \sqcup \dots \sqcup B_n \mid B_1 \sqcap \dots \sqcap B_n$	$\langle A, r, B \rangle$ or $\langle A, r, B_i \rangle$ for $i \in 1, \dots, n$
$\exists r. \top \sqsubseteq A$ (domain)	$\top \sqsubseteq \forall r.B$ (range)	
$A \sqsubseteq \exists r.\{b\}$	$B(b)$	
$r \sqsubseteq r'$	$\langle A, r', B \rangle$ has been projected	
$r' \equiv r^-$	$\langle B, r', A \rangle$ has been projected	
$s_1 \circ \dots \circ s_n \sqsubseteq r$	$\langle A, s_1, C_1 \rangle \dots \langle C_n, s_n, B \rangle$ have been projected	
$B \sqsubseteq A$	-	$\langle B, \text{rdfs:subClassOf}, A \rangle$ $\langle A, \text{rdfs:subClassOf}^-, B \rangle$
$A(a)$	-	$\langle a, \text{rdf:type}, A \rangle$ $\langle A, \text{rdf:type}^-, a \rangle$
$r(a, b)$	-	$\langle a, r, b \rangle$

\sqsubseteq is one of: $\geq, \leq, =, \exists, \forall$. A, B, B_i and C_i are atomic concepts (classes), s_i , r and r' are roles (object properties), r^- is the inverse of a relation r , a and b are individuals, \top is the top concept.

OWL2Vec*: sentence generation via random walks

Strategies:

- Random walks
- Weisfeiler Lehman (WL) kernel, which assign identifiers to subgraphs and includes them into the walk.

Structure Document Sentences

(vc:Beer, rdf:type, vc:FOOD-4001, vc:hasNutrient, vc:VitaminC_1000)

Lexical Document Sentences

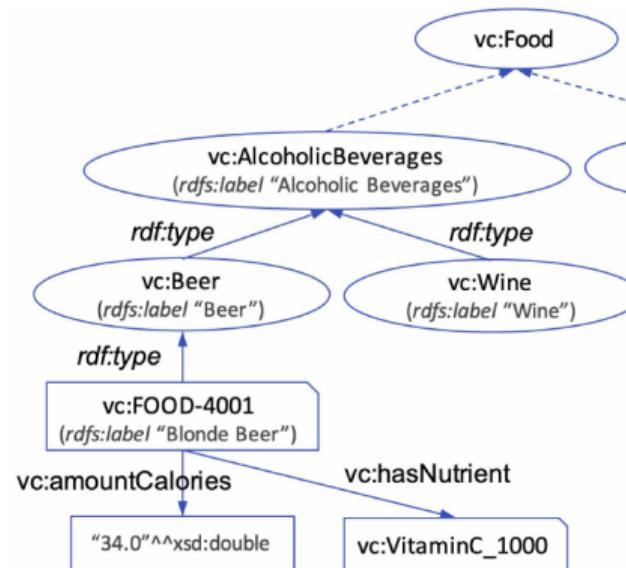
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Combined Document Sentences

(vc:FOOD-4001, "has", "nutrient", "vitamin", "c")

OR

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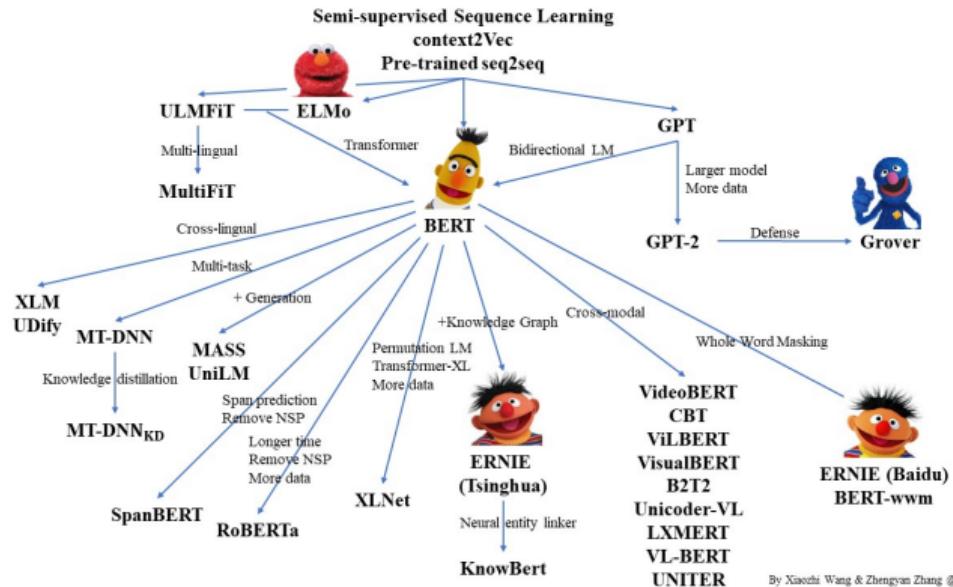
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 - As well as the words ‘‘blonde’’ and ‘‘beer’’.

OWL2Vec*: language model (present and future)

Other language models could be used in OWL2Vec*:

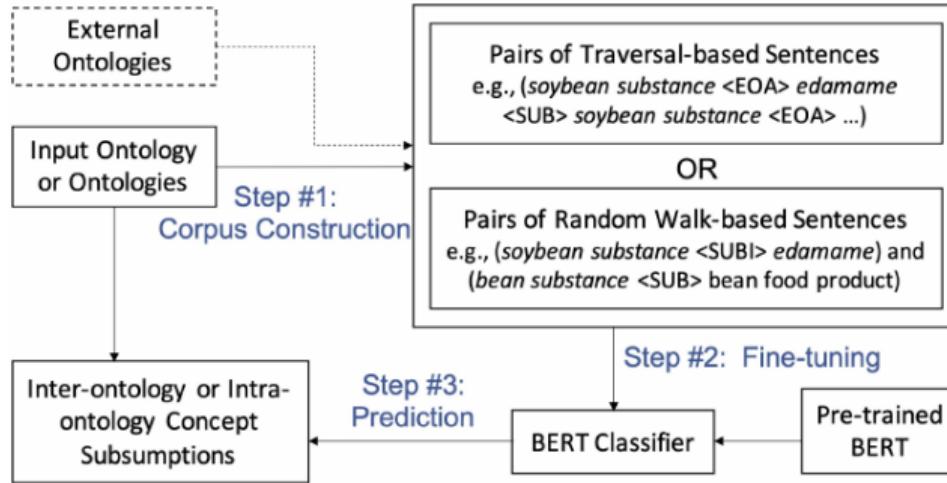
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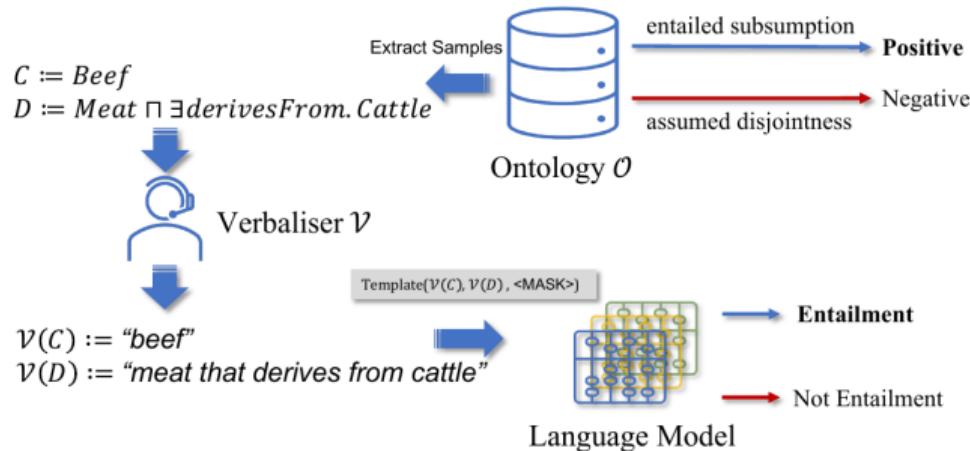
BERTSubs: contextual semantic embeddings



(*) Considering the sentence “the bank robber was seen on the river bank”; unlike word2vec, BERT computes different embeddings for the two occurrences of “bank” which have different meanings.

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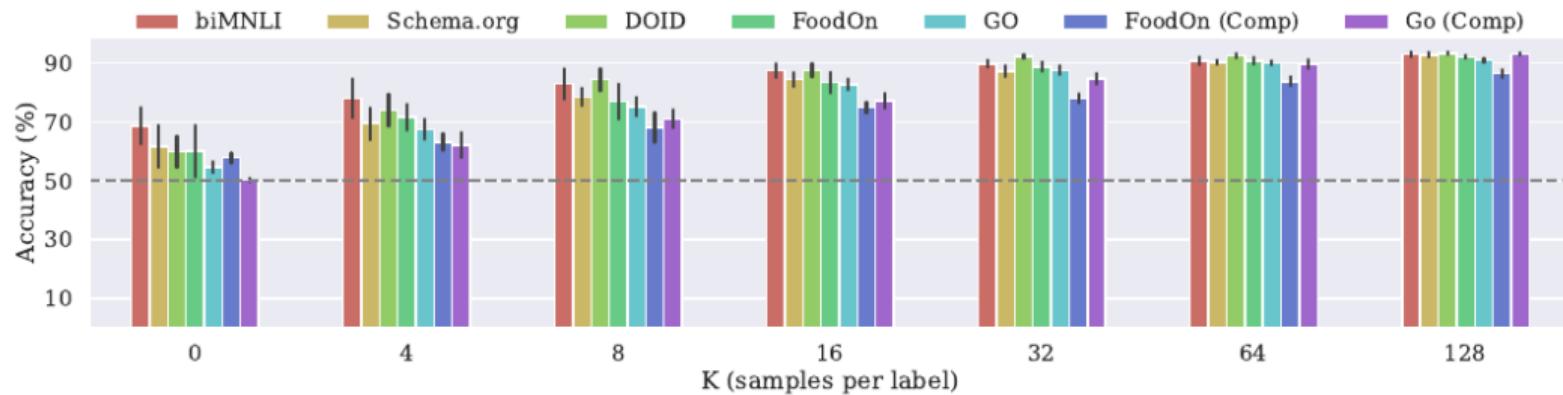


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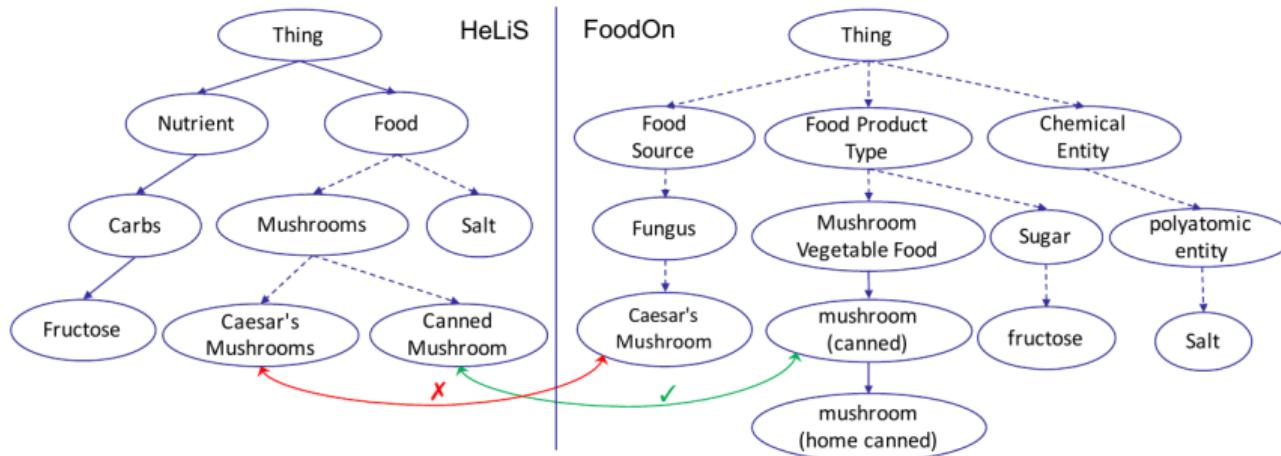
- **Class subsumption** and **class membership predictions** (as in OWL2Vec* paper and ♠)
- Embedding of chemicals and species to **predict adverse effects**.
- **Ontology alignment** (Samsung UK project with food ontologies) †
- **Ontology clustering** in life sciences ontologies to be applied in an Information Retrieval task. ‡

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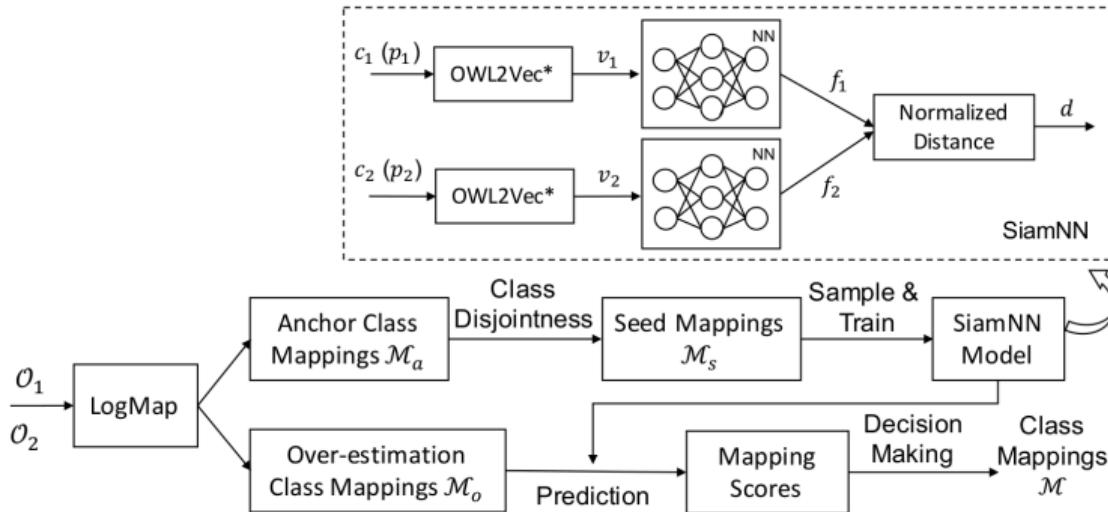
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Ontology Embeddings applications: clustering

Embedding of the Gene Ontology and its 3 branches: biological process, cellular component, and molecular function



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OWL2Vec* in practice

- Execute OWL2Vec* over the Pizza and FoodOn ontologies.
- Compute similarity among words and entities.
- Perform clustering and visualize results.