



AutoSF: Searching Scoring Functions for Knowledge Graph Embedding

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Knowledge Graph

Knowledge structure as graph

- Each node = an entity
- Each edge = a relation

Fact (triplet):

- (head, relation, tail)

Typical KGs:

- WordNet: Linguistic KG
- Freebase, DBpedia, YAGO: World KG

Applications:

- Structured search [Dong et.al. KDD 2014]
- Question answering [Lukovnikov et.al. WWW 2017]
- Recommendation [Zhang et.al. KDD 2016]

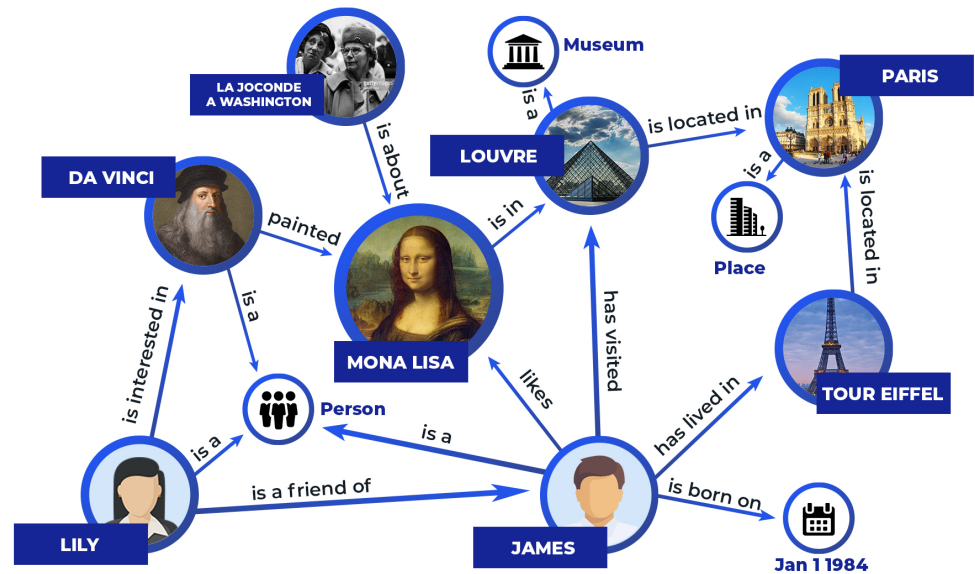
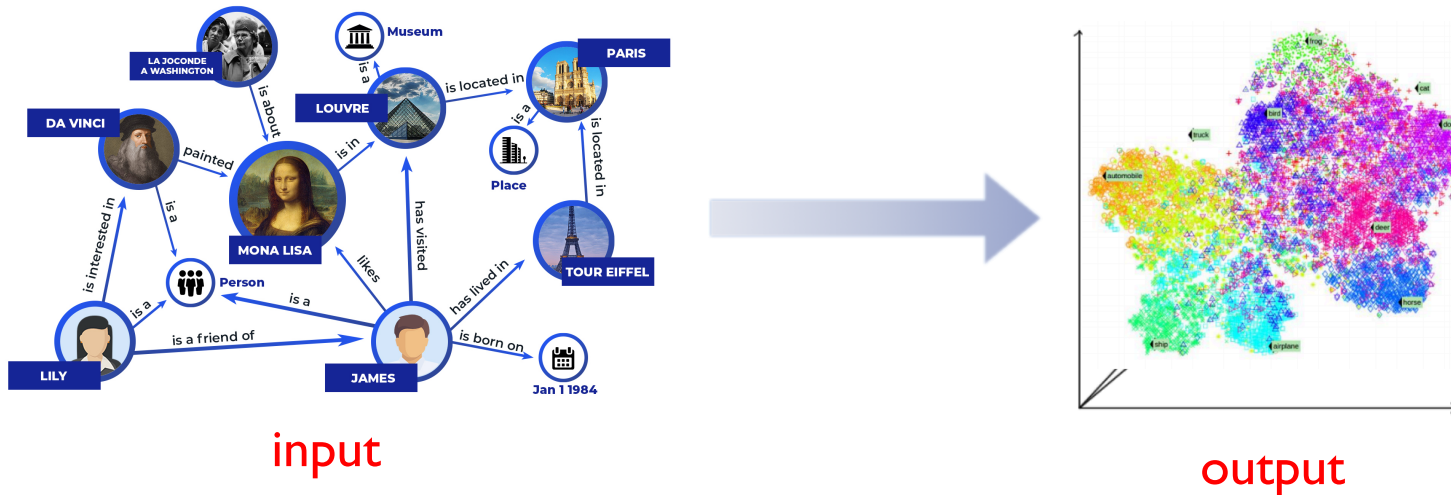


Fig. from [Yashu Seth, 2019]

KG embedding

Encode **entities** and **relations** in KG into low-dimensional **vector spaces** \mathbb{R}^{d_1} and \mathbb{R}^{d_2} , while capturing nodes' and edges' connection properties.



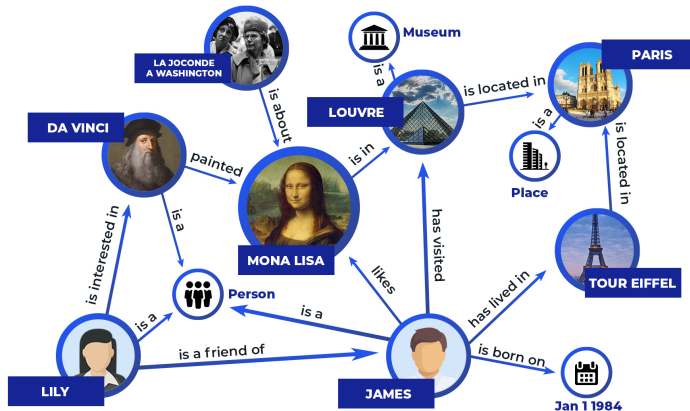
Advantages:

- Inject into downstream ML pipelines.
- Provide efficient similarity search.
- Discover latent properties in missing links.

Learning framework

➤ Objectives:

$$\max_{\mathbf{w}} \underbrace{f^+(\mathbf{w}; S^+) + f^-(\mathbf{w}; S^-)}_{\text{parameters}} \xrightarrow[\text{optimization}]{\text{iterative}} \text{Improve performance}$$



Observed triplet S^+ :
increase score

Unobserved triplet S^- :
decrease score

Triplet with higher score is more likely to be positive.



Predict missing links.

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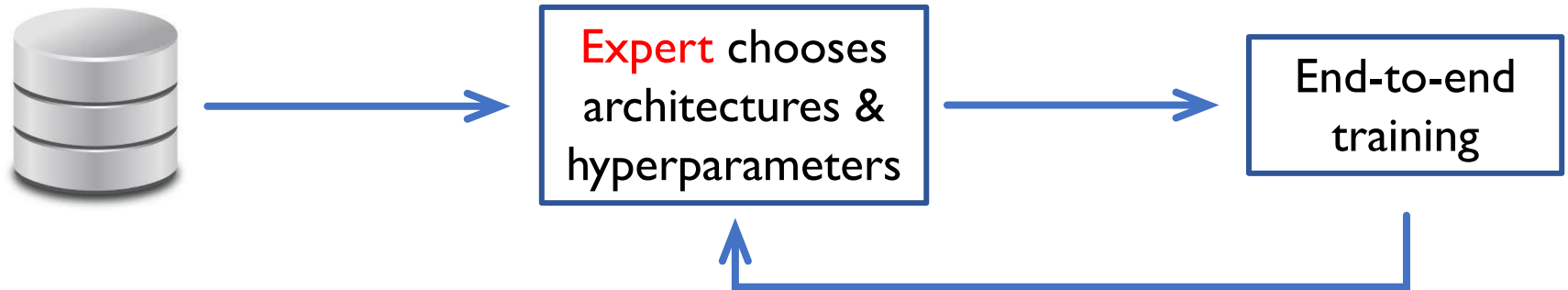
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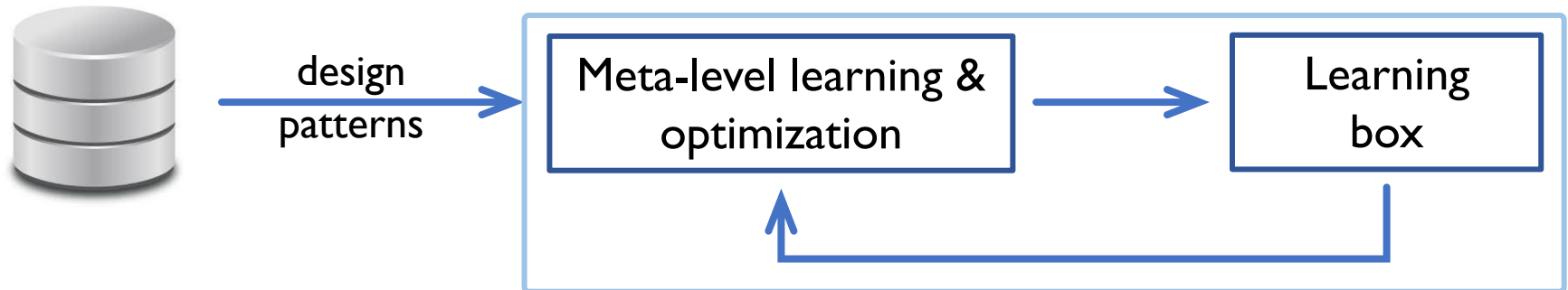
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Automated machine learning

General deep learning practice



AutoML: true end-to-end learning



Search space: what to be searched

- hyper-parameters, neural network structures.

Search algorithm: how to search efficiently

- Reinforcement learning, Bayes optimization, evolution algorithm.

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Scoring functions

- A **large amount** of scoring functions (SFs) $f(\mathbf{h}, \mathbf{r}, \mathbf{t})$ are defined to measure the **plausibility** of triplets $\{(h, r, t)\}$ in KG.

Summary of Translational Distance Models (See Section 3.1 for Details)

Method	Ent. embedding	Rel. embedding	Scoring function $f_r(h, t)$		Constraints/Regularization
TransE [14]	$\mathbf{h}, \mathbf{t} \in \mathbb{R}^d$	$\mathbf{r} \in \mathbb{R}^d$	$-\ \mathbf{h} + \mathbf{r} - \mathbf{t}\ _{1/2}$		$\ \mathbf{h}\ _2 = 1, \ \mathbf{t}\ _2 = 1$
TransH [15]	$\mathbf{h}, \mathbf{t} \in \mathbb{R}^d$		Summary of Semantic Matching Models (See Section 3.2 for Details)		
Method	Ent. embedding	Rel. embedding	Scoring function $f_r(h, t)$		Constraints/Regularization
TransR [16]	$\mathbf{h}, \mathbf{t} \in \mathbb{R}^d$				$\ \mathbf{h}\ _2 \leq 1, \ \mathbf{t}\ _2 \leq 1, \ \mathbf{M}_r\ _F \leq 1$
TransD [50]	$\mathbf{h}, \mathbf{w}_h \in \mathbb{R}^d$ $\mathbf{t}, \mathbf{w}_t \in \mathbb{R}^d$	RESCAL [13]	$\mathbf{M}_r \in \mathbb{R}^{d \times d}$	$\mathbf{h}^\top \mathbf{M}_r \mathbf{t}$	$\mathbf{M}_r = \sum_i \pi_i^t \mathbf{u}_i \mathbf{v}_i^\top$ (required in [17])
		TATEC [64]	$\mathbf{r} \in \mathbb{R}^d, \mathbf{M}_r \in \mathbb{R}^{d \times d}$	$\mathbf{h}^\top \mathbf{M}_r \mathbf{t} + \mathbf{h}^\top \mathbf{r} + \mathbf{t}^\top \mathbf{r} + \mathbf{h}^\top \mathbf{D} \mathbf{t}$	$\ \mathbf{h}\ _2 \leq 1, \ \mathbf{t}\ _2 \leq 1, \ \mathbf{r}\ _2 \leq 1$ $\ \mathbf{M}_r\ _F \leq 1$
TransSparse [51]	$\mathbf{h}, \mathbf{t} \in \mathbb{R}^d$	DistMult [65]	$\mathbf{r} \in \mathbb{R}^d$	$\mathbf{h}^\top \text{diag}(\mathbf{r}) \mathbf{t}$	$\ \mathbf{h}\ _2 = 1, \ \mathbf{t}\ _2 = 1, \ \mathbf{r}\ _2 \leq 1$
		HolE [62]	$\mathbf{r} \in \mathbb{R}^d$	$\mathbf{r}^\top (\mathbf{h} \star \mathbf{t})$	$\ \mathbf{h}\ _2 \leq 1, \ \mathbf{t}\ _2 \leq 1, \ \mathbf{r}\ _2 \leq 1$
TransM [52]	$\mathbf{h}, \mathbf{t} \in \mathbb{R}^d$	ComplEx [66]	$\mathbf{r} \in \mathbb{C}^d$	$\text{Re}(\mathbf{h}^\top \text{diag}(\mathbf{r}) \bar{\mathbf{t}})$	$\ \mathbf{h}\ _2 \leq 1, \ \mathbf{t}\ _2 \leq 1, \ \mathbf{r}\ _2 \leq 1$
ManifoldE [53]	$\mathbf{h}, \mathbf{t} \in \mathbb{R}^d$				$\ \mathbf{h}\ _2 \leq 1, \ \mathbf{t}\ _2 \leq 1, \ \mathbf{M}_r\ _F \leq 1$
TransF [54]	$\mathbf{h}, \mathbf{t} \in \mathbb{R}^d$				$\mathbf{M}_r \mathbf{M}_r^\top = \mathbf{M}_r^\top \mathbf{M}_r$
TransA [55]	$\mathbf{h}, \mathbf{t} \in \mathbb{R}^d$	ANALOGY [68]	$\mathbf{M}_r \in \mathbb{R}^{d \times d}$	$\mathbf{h}^\top \mathbf{M}_r \mathbf{t}$	$\mathbf{M}_r \mathbf{M}_r^\top = \mathbf{M}_r^\top \mathbf{M}_r$
KG2E [45]	$\mathbf{h} \sim \mathcal{N}(\mu_h)$ $\mathbf{t} \sim \mathcal{N}(\mu_t)$ $\mu_h, \mu_t \in \mathbb{R}^d$ $\Sigma_h, \Sigma_t \in \mathbb{R}^{d \times d}$	SME [18]	$\mathbf{r} \in \mathbb{R}^d$	$(\mathbf{M}_h^1 \mathbf{h} + \mathbf{M}_h^2 \mathbf{r} + \mathbf{b}_a)^\top (\mathbf{M}_t^1 \mathbf{t} + \mathbf{M}_t^2 \mathbf{r} + \mathbf{b}_e)$ $((\mathbf{M}_h^1 \mathbf{h}) \circ (\mathbf{M}_h^2 \mathbf{r}) + \mathbf{b}_a)^\top ((\mathbf{M}_t^1 \mathbf{t}) \circ (\mathbf{M}_t^2 \mathbf{r}) + \mathbf{b}_e)$	$\ \mathbf{h}\ _2 = 1, \ \mathbf{t}\ _2 = 1$
TransG [46]	$\mathbf{h} \sim \mathcal{N}(\mu_h)$ $\mathbf{t} \sim \mathcal{N}(\mu_t)$ $\mu_h, \mu_t \in \mathbb{R}^d$	NTN [19]	$\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{b}_r \in \mathbb{R}^k, \mathbf{M}_r \in \mathbb{R}^{d \times d \times k}$ $\mathbf{M}_r^1, \mathbf{M}_r^2 \in \mathbb{R}^{k \times d}$	$\mathbf{r}^\top \tanh(\mathbf{h}^\top \mathbf{M}_r \mathbf{t} + \mathbf{M}_r^1 \mathbf{h} + \mathbf{M}_r^2 \mathbf{t} + \mathbf{b}_r)$	$\ \mathbf{h}\ _2 \leq 1, \ \mathbf{t}\ _2 \leq 1, \ \mathbf{r}\ _2 \leq 1$ $\ \mathbf{b}_r\ _2 \leq 1, \ \mathbf{M}_r^{1:d}\ _F \leq 1$ $\ \mathbf{M}_r^1\ _F \leq 1, \ \mathbf{M}_r^2\ _F \leq 1$
		SLM [19]	$\mathbf{r} \in \mathbb{R}^k, \mathbf{M}_r^1, \mathbf{M}_r^2 \in \mathbb{R}^{k \times d}$	$\mathbf{r}^\top \tanh(\mathbf{M}_r^1 \mathbf{h} + \mathbf{M}_r^2 \mathbf{t})$	$\ \mathbf{h}\ _2 \leq 1, \ \mathbf{t}\ _2 \leq 1, \ \mathbf{r}\ _2 \leq 1$ $\ \mathbf{M}_r^1\ _F \leq 1, \ \mathbf{M}_r^2\ _F \leq 1$
UM [56]	$\mathbf{h}, \mathbf{t} \in \mathbb{R}^d$				
SE [57]	$\mathbf{h}, \mathbf{t} \in \mathbb{R}^d$	MLP [69]	$\mathbf{r} \in \mathbb{R}^d$	$\mathbf{w}^\top \tanh(\mathbf{M}^1 \mathbf{h} + \mathbf{M}^2 \mathbf{r} + \mathbf{M}^3 \mathbf{t})$	$\ \mathbf{h}\ _2 \leq 1, \ \mathbf{t}\ _2 \leq 1, \ \mathbf{r}\ _2 \leq 1$
		NAM [63]	$\mathbf{h}, \mathbf{t} \in \mathbb{R}^d$	$f_r(h, t) = \mathbf{t}^\top \mathbf{z}^{(L)}$ $\mathbf{z}^{(l)} = \text{ReLU}(\mathbf{a}^{(l)}), \mathbf{a}^{(l)} = \mathbf{M}^{(l)} \mathbf{z}^{(l-1)} + \mathbf{b}^{(l)}$ $\mathbf{z}^{(0)} = [\mathbf{h}; \mathbf{t}]$	—

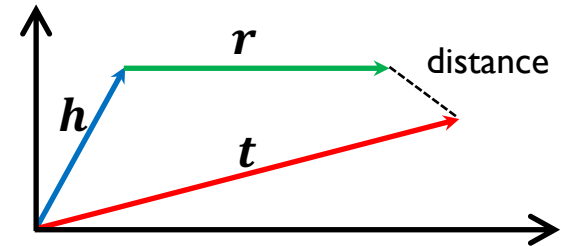
[Wang et. al.
TKDE 2017]

- Design principles:
- Encode entity and relation into some space to measure the plausibility.
 - Capture important properties:
 - symmetric, anti-symmetric, inverse, asymmetric...

General types

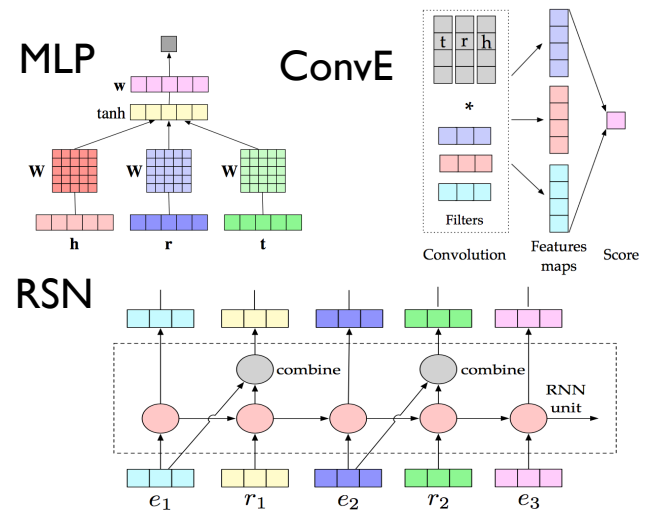
➤ Translation Distance Models (TDMs)

- TransE, TransH, RotatE, etc.
- **less expressive**. [Wang et. al. AAAI 2017]



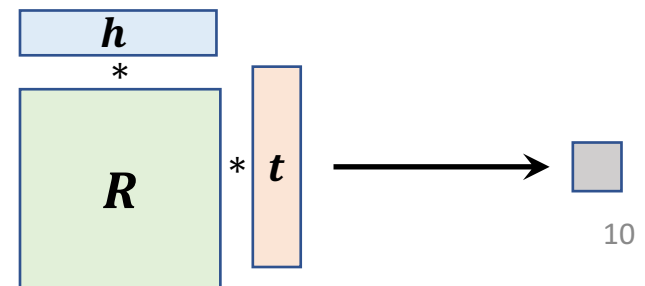
➤ Neural Network Models (NNMs)

- MLP, ConvE, RSN, etc.
- **complex** and **difficult to train**.
[Wang et. al. TKDE 2017]



➤ BiLinear Models (BLMs)

- DistMult, ComplEx, Analogy, SimpleE, etc.
- **state-of-the-art** and **fully expressive**.
[Wang et. al. AAAI 2017], [Lacroix et. al. ICML 2018]



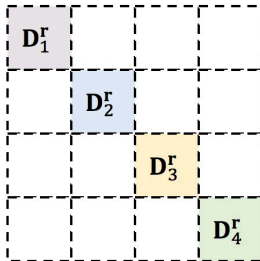
Bilinear models

The BLMs can be written as $f(\mathbf{h}, \mathbf{r}, \mathbf{t}) = \mathbf{h}^T \mathbf{R} \mathbf{t}$, with different form of \mathbf{R} , a square matrix of \mathbf{r} .

For unified representation, we **evenly split** the embedding into **4** parts, e.g. $\mathbf{r} = [\mathbf{r}_1; \mathbf{r}_2; \mathbf{r}_3; \mathbf{r}_4]$.

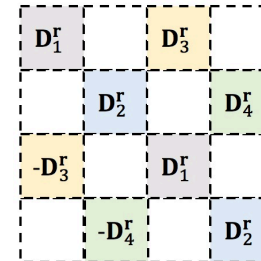
Denote $\mathbf{D}_i^{\mathbf{r}} = \text{diag}(\mathbf{r}_i)$ as the corresponding **diagonal** matrix.

DistMult: $f(h, r, t) = \langle \mathbf{h}, \mathbf{r}, \mathbf{t} \rangle$



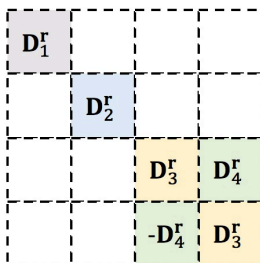
symmetric	✓
anti-symmetric	×
asymmetric	×
inverse	×

ComplEx: $f(h, r, t) = \text{Re}(\langle \mathbf{h}, \mathbf{r}, \text{conj}(\mathbf{t}) \rangle)$



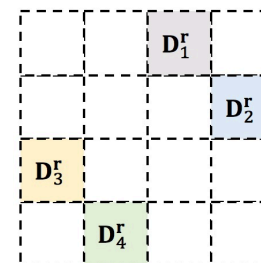
symmetric	✓
anti-symmetric	✓
asymmetric	✓
inverse	✓

Analogy: $f(h, r, t) = \langle \hat{\mathbf{h}}, \hat{\mathbf{r}}, \hat{\mathbf{t}} \rangle + \text{Re}(\langle \check{\mathbf{h}}, \check{\mathbf{r}}, \text{conj}(\check{\mathbf{t}}) \rangle)$



symmetric	✓
anti-symmetric	✓
asymmetric	✓
inverse	✓

SimpleE: $f(h, r, t) = \langle \hat{\mathbf{h}}, \hat{\mathbf{r}}, \check{\mathbf{t}} \rangle + \langle \check{\mathbf{h}}, \check{\mathbf{r}}, \hat{\mathbf{t}} \rangle$



symmetric	✓
anti-symmetric	✓
asymmetric	✓
inverse	✓

Key problems

1. There is **no absolute winner** among them since KGs exhibit **distinct patterns**. Even the **fully expressive** models do not definitely perform the best.
2. KG is **sparse**, thus **regularization** is important.
3. Designing **novel** and **universal** SFs becomes harder.

Our solutions:

- **Adaptively** search how to **regularize** the BLMs for different KG tasks.
- Design **novel** and **task-aware** scoring functions.

AutoSF: Definition

Definition 1 (AutoSF). Let $F(g)$ be a KGE model (with indexed embeddings $\mathbf{h}, \mathbf{r}, \mathbf{t}$ and structure g), $\mathcal{M}(F(g), \mathcal{S})$ measures the performance (the higher the better) of a KGE model F with on a set of triplets \mathcal{S} . The problem of searching the SF is formulated as:

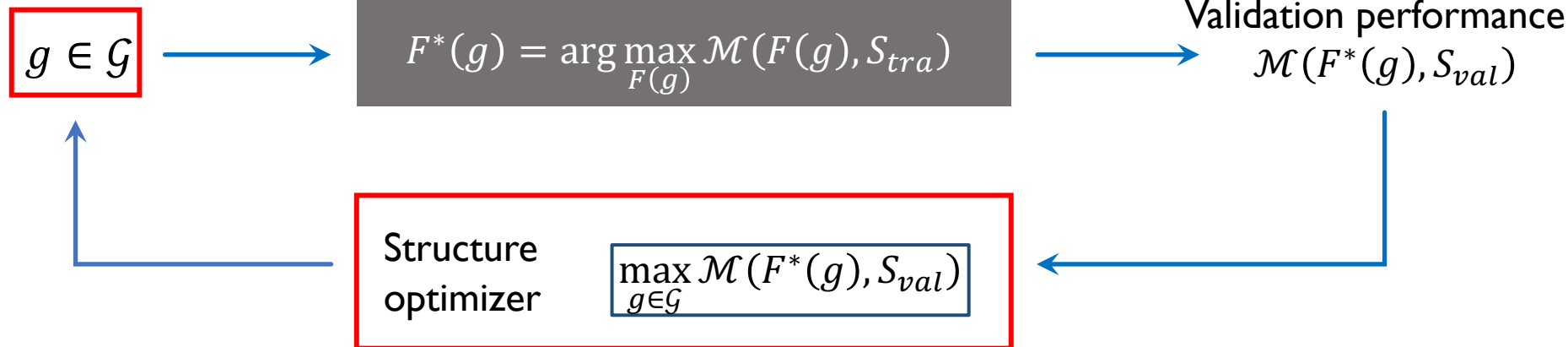
$$g^* \in \arg \max_{g \in \mathcal{G}} \mathcal{M}(F^*(g), \mathcal{S}_{val}) \quad (1)$$

$$s.t. \quad F^*(g) = \arg \max_F \mathcal{M}(F(g), \mathcal{S}_{tra}), \quad (2)$$

where \mathcal{G} contains all possible choices of g , \mathcal{S}_{tra} and \mathcal{S}_{val} denote training and validation sets.

Search space:

What to be searched



Search algorithm:

How to search efficiently

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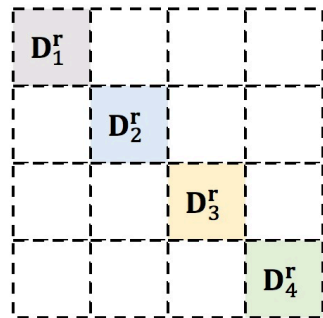
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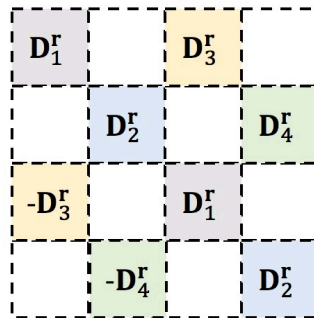
Search space

Definition 2 (Search space). Let $g(\mathbf{r})$ return a 4×4 block matrix, of which the elements in each block is given by $[g(\mathbf{r})]_{ij} = \text{diag}(\mathbf{a}_{ij})$ where $\mathbf{a}_{ij} \in \{\mathbf{0}, \pm \mathbf{r}_1, \pm \mathbf{r}_2, \pm \mathbf{r}_3, \pm \mathbf{r}_4\}$ for $i, j \in \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$. Then, SFs can be represented by $f_{\text{unified}}(\mathbf{h}, \mathbf{r}, \mathbf{t}) = \sum_{i,j} \langle \mathbf{h}_i, \mathbf{a}_{ij}, \mathbf{t}_j \rangle = \mathbf{h}^\top g(\mathbf{r}) \mathbf{t}$.

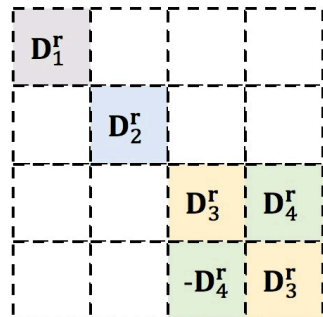
The location of a block matrix $\mathbf{D}_i^{\mathbf{r}}$ represents a multiplicative term.



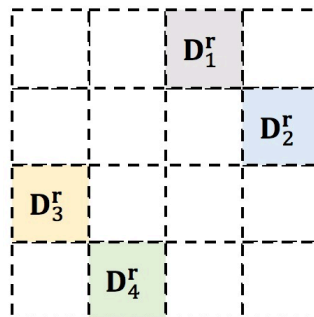
DistMult



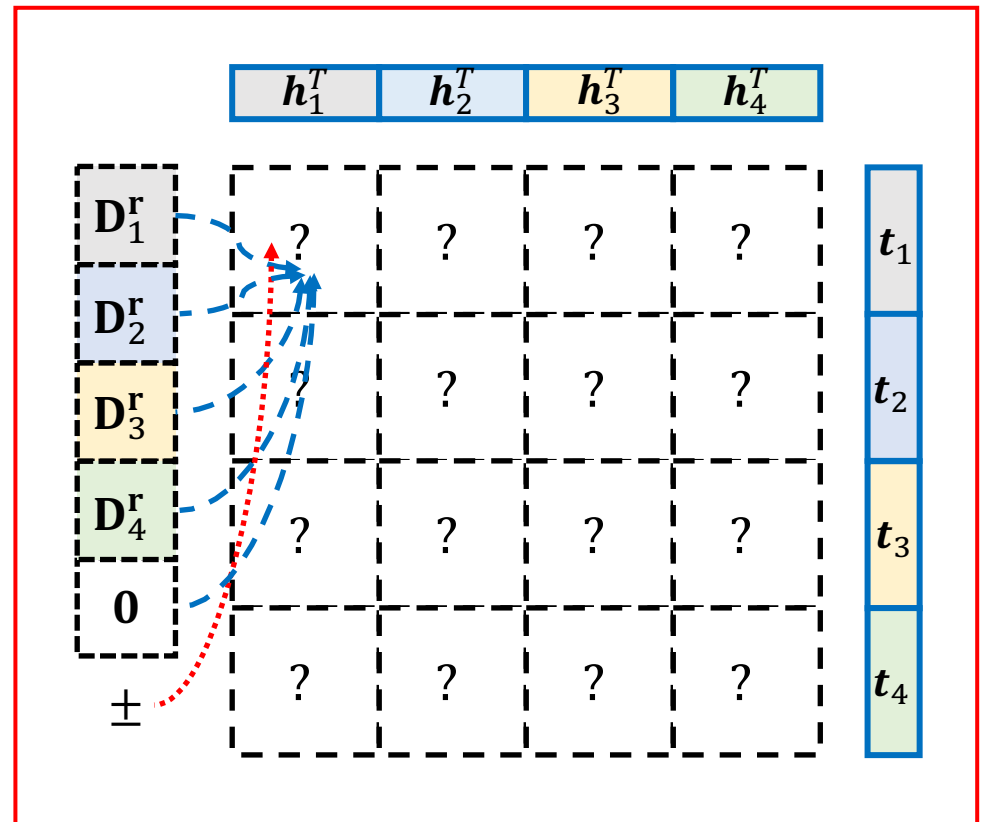
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Analogy

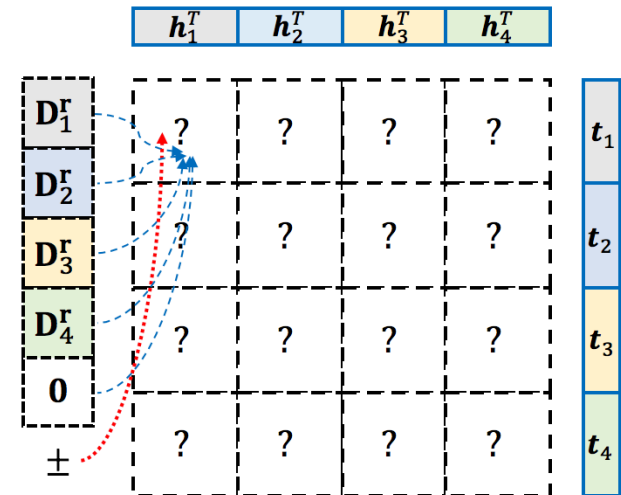


Simple



Challenges

1. Size of search space is very large: 9^{16} .
2. Cost of training and evaluating a specific model structure is **expensive**.
3. How to capture important properties like **symmetric**, asymmetric?

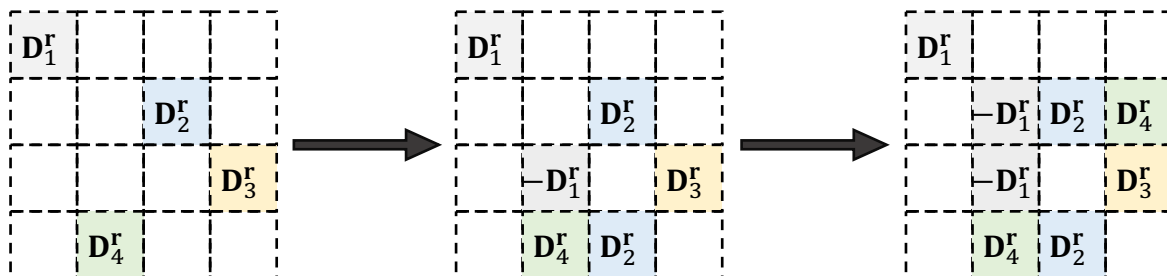


Key point: **not all** scoring functions / structures **need to be trained**.

Key idea: select **better** SFs based on matrix structure to train and evaluate.

Search algorithm

- Greedy search: progressively evaluate from few blocks to more blocks.



For f^6 , reduces from 2×10^9 to 3×10^4 .

- Filter: remove bad and equivalent SFs.

- Bad: there are zero/repeated rows/columns.
- Equivalent: have the same expressive ability after permutation or slipping signs.

For f^4 , reduces from 9216 to 5.

- Predictor: select promising SFs based on matrix structures.

- The predictor learns a mapping from structure to performance.

Select $K_2 = 8$ from $N = 256$.

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Effectiveness

Measurements

- Given a triplet (h, r, t) ;
- Compute the score of $(h', r, t), \forall h' \in \mathcal{E}$;
- Get the **rank** of h among all h' ;

Metrics

- MRR (mean reciprocal rank): $\frac{1}{|\mathcal{S}|} \sum_{i=1}^{|\mathcal{S}|} \frac{1}{\text{rank}_i}$
- Hit@k: $\frac{1}{|\mathcal{S}|} \sum_{i=1}^{|\mathcal{S}|} \mathbb{I}(\text{rank}_i < k)$

type	model	WN18			FB15k			WN18RR			FB15k237			YAGO3-10		
		MRR	H@1	H@10	MRR	H@1	H@10	MRR	H@1	H@10	MRR	H@1	H@10	MRR	H@1	H@10
TDM	TransE [54]	0.500	—	94.1	0.495	—	77.4	0.178	—	45.1	0.256	—	41.9	—	—	—
	TransH [54]	0.521	—	94.5	0.452	—	76.6	0.186	—	45.1	0.233	—	40.1	—	—	—
	RotatE [35]	0.949	94.4	95.9	0.797	74.6	88.4	<u>0.476</u>	42.8	57.1	0.338	24.1	53.3	—	—	—
NNM	NTN [46]	0.53	—	66.1	0.25	—	41.4	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
	Neural LP [47]	0.94	—	94.5	0.76	—	83.7	—	—	—	0.24	—	36.2	—	—	—
	ConvE [6]	0.942	93.5	95.5	0.745	67.0	87.3	0.46	39.	48.	0.316	23.9	49.1	0.52	45.	66.
BLM	TuckER [1]	0.953	94.9	95.8	0.795	74.1	89.2	0.470	<u>44.3</u>	52.6	<u>0.358</u>	<u>26.6</u>	54.4	—	—	—
	HolEX [45]	0.938	93.0	94.9	0.800	75.0	88.6	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
	QuatE [53]	0.950	94.5	95.9	0.782	71.1	90.0	<u>0.488</u>	43.8	58.2	0.348	24.8	55.0	—	—	—
	DistMult	0.821	71.7	95.2	0.817	77.7	89.5	0.443	40.4	50.7	0.349	25.7	53.7	0.552	47.6	69.4
	ComplEx	0.951	94.5	95.7	<u>0.831</u>	79.6	<u>90.5</u>	0.471	43.0	55.1	0.347	25.4	54.1	<u>0.566</u>	<u>49.1</u>	70.9
	Analogy	0.950	94.6	95.7	0.829	79.3	<u>90.5</u>	0.472	43.3	55.8	0.348	25.6	<u>54.7</u>	0.565	49.0	<u>71.3</u>
	Simple/CP	0.950	94.5	<u>95.9</u>	0.830	<u>79.8</u>	90.3	0.468	42.9	55.2	0.350	26.0	54.4	0.565	<u>49.1</u>	71.0
	AnyBURL [27]	0.95	94.6	<u>95.9</u>	0.83	80.8	87.6	0.48	44.6	55.5	0.31	23.3	48.6	0.54	47.7	47.3
AutoSF		<u>0.952</u>	<u>94.7</u>	96.1	0.853	82.1	91.0	0.490	45.1	<u>56.7</u>	0.360	26.7	55.2	0.571	50.1	71.5

- BLMs are **better** than the other types and rule-based models.
- There is **no absolute winner** among the BLMs.
- Compared with human-designed ones, the SFs searched by **AutoSF** always lead the performance.

Distinctiveness

	D_2^r	$-D_2^r$	D_1^r
D_3^r		D_2^r	
$-D_3^r$	D_3^r		$-D_1^r$
D_4^r		$-D_4^r$	

(a) WN18.

	D_2^r		D_1^r
D_3^r		D_2^r	
	D_3^r		
D_4^r			

(b) FB15k.

D_4^r	D_1^r		
D_2^r	D_4^r		$-D_1^r$
		D_3^r	$-D_1^r$
	$-D_2^r$	$-D_2^r$	D_4^r

(c) WN18RR.

		D_1^r	
	D_2^r		
			D_3^r
D_4^r			

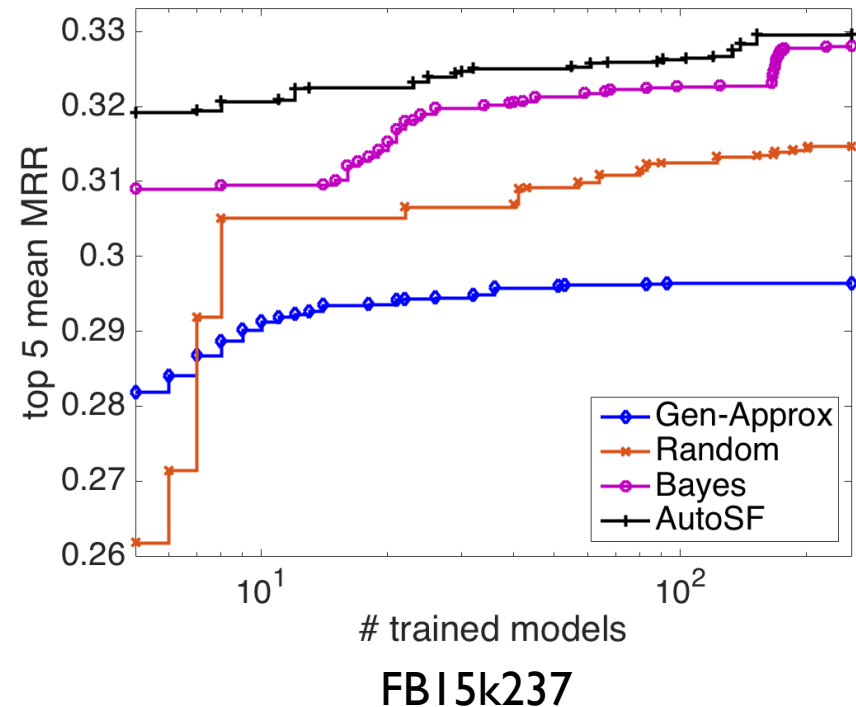
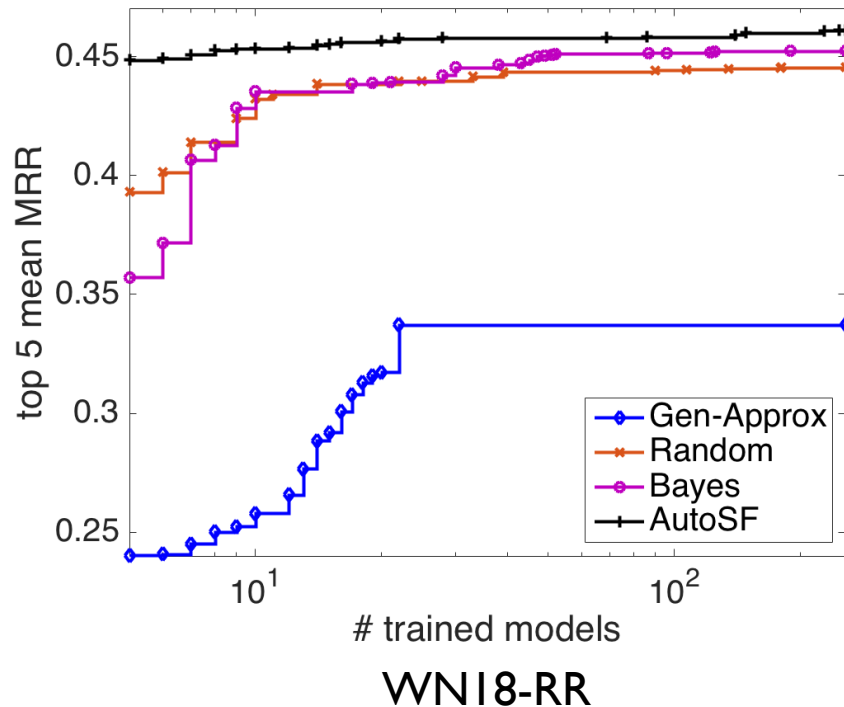
(d) FB15k237.

D_1^r			
	D_2^r		$-D_3^r$
		D_3^r	
	$-D_2^r$		D_4^r

(e) YAGO3-10.

The searched SFs are KG **dependent** and **novel** to the literature.

Efficiency



- Gen-Approx: a universal approximator MLP as the search space.
- Random: totally random for SF generation.
- Bayes: Tree Parzen Estimator (TPE) algorithm.
- AutoSF: domain-specific search algorithm.

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Challenges:

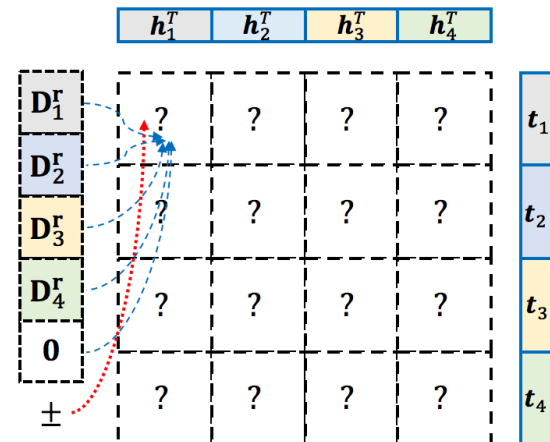
- Designing **new** and **universal** SFs are non-trivial.
- Different KG has **distinct properties**.
- How to design **domain specific** search space and **efficient** search algorithm?

Contributions:

- The **first** AutoML approach for KGE to learn **task-aware** SFs.
- Well-defined search space and search algorithm with **domain knowledge**.

Future work:

- Search space beyond bilinear models.
- Enhance search efficiency.





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