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Stanford CS224W: Reasoning over Knowledge Graphs

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Announcements

- **10/31**: Homework 3 released
- **11/4** (Mon): Homework 2 due
 - Gradescope submissions close at midnight
 - **HW 2 was updated last Wednesday (check ed)!**
 - Recitation recording is on edstem
- **11/5** (Tues): No class – election day
- **11/7** (Thurs): Colab 3 due
- **11/7** (Tues): Project Milestone due

Response to high-frequency feedbacks

- Ed post

We will enforce 24 hours response time.

- Assignment description

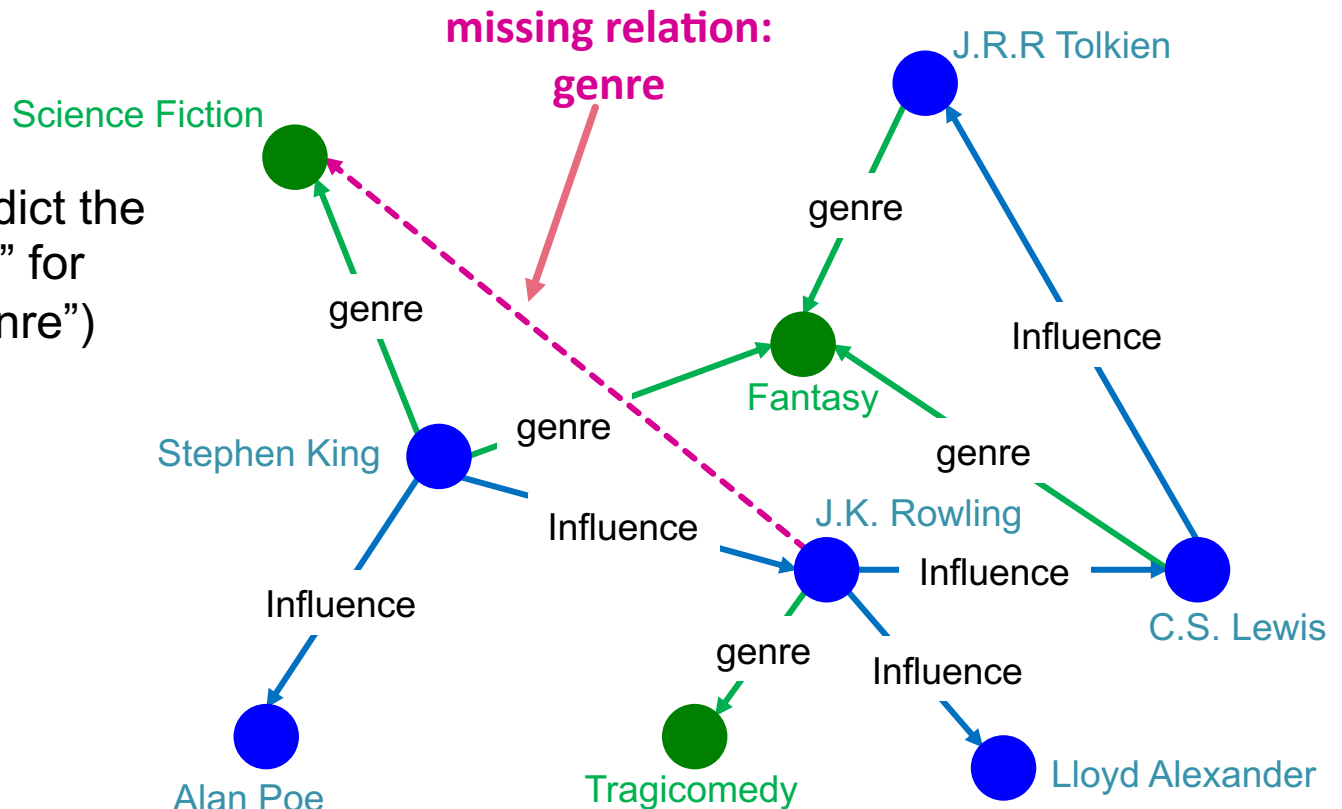
We will make sure to expand the homework description to make them clear

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)

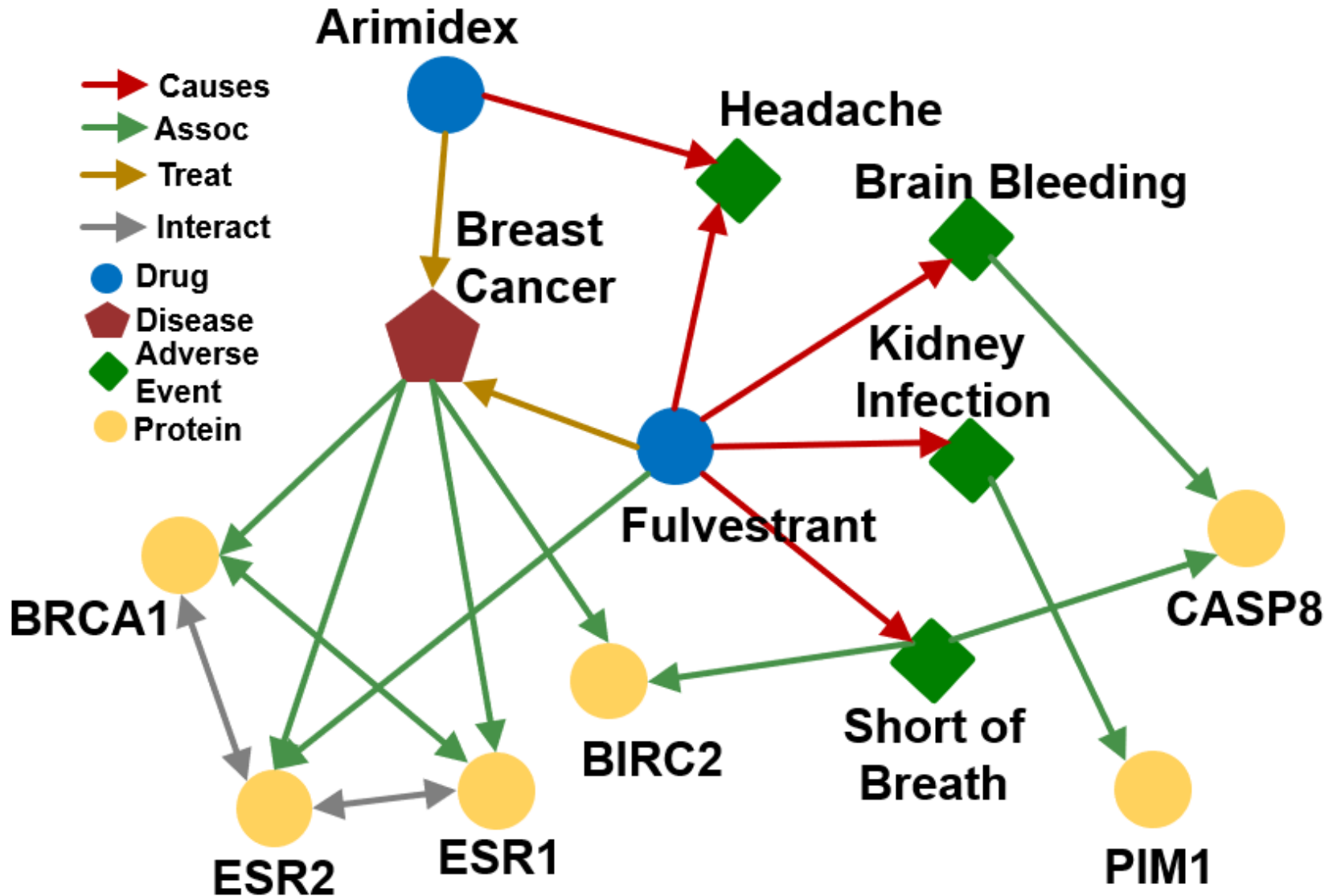
Example task: Predict the tail “Science Fiction” for (“J.K. Rowling”, “genre”)



Today: Reasoning over KGs

- **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)))

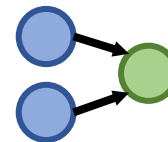
In this lecture, we only focus on answering **queries** on a KG!
The notation will be detailed next.



One-hop Queries



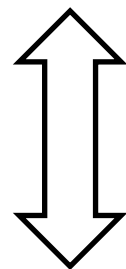
Path Queries



Conjunctive Queries

Predictive One-hop Queries

- 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

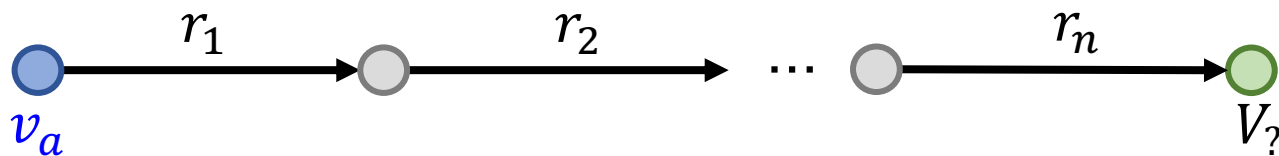
- Generalize one-hop queries to path queries by **adding more relations on the path.**

- An n -hop path query q can be represented by

$$q = (v_a, (r_1, \dots, r_n))$$

- v_a is an “anchor” entity,
- Let answers to q in graph G be denoted by $\llbracket q \rrbracket_G$.

Query Plan of q :

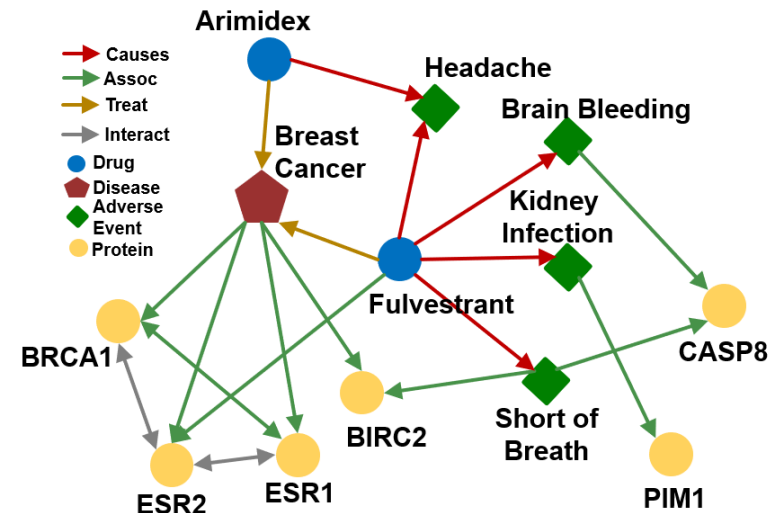
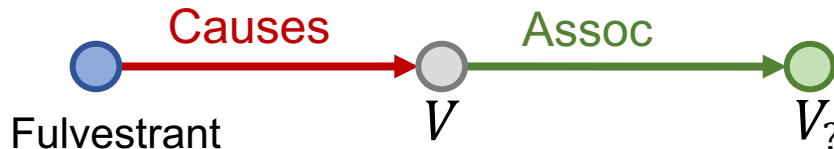


Query plan of path queries is a chain.

Path Queries

Question: “What proteins are *associated* with adverse events *caused* by *Fulvestrant*?”

- v_a is **e:Fulvestrant**
- (r_1, r_2) is (**r:Causes**, **r:Assoc**)
- Query: (**e:Fulvestrant**, (**r:Causes**, **r:Assoc**))

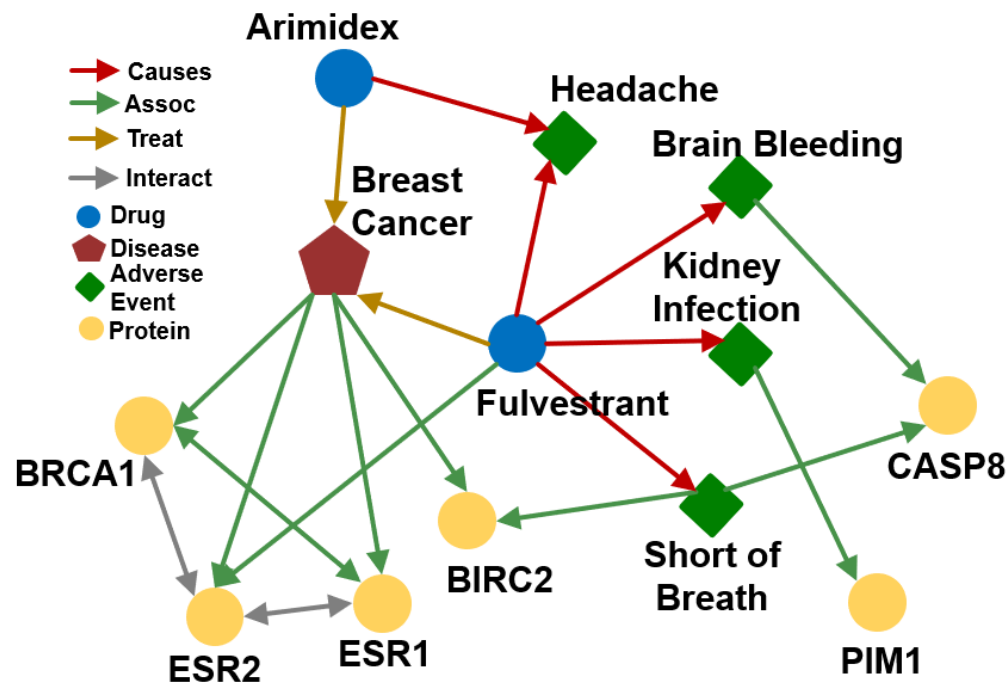


Path Queries

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Given a KG, how to answer a path query?



Traversing Knowledge Graphs

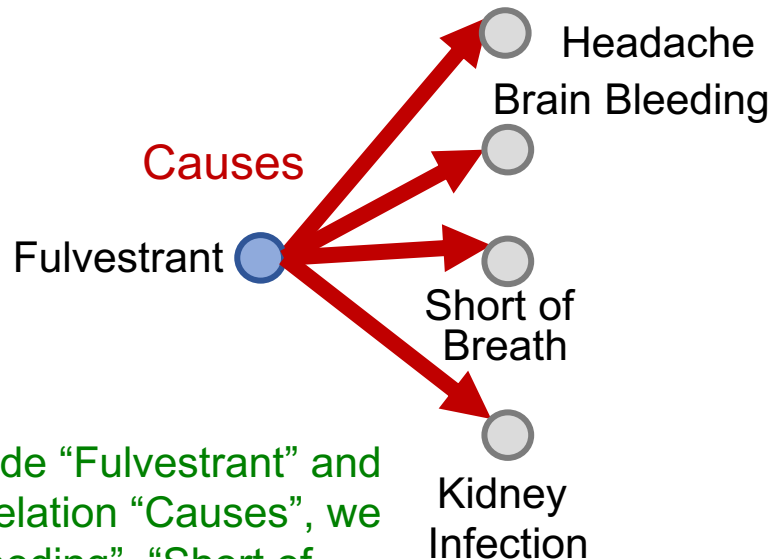
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Fulvestrant 

Start from the
anchor node
(Fulvestrant).

Traversing Knowledge Graphs

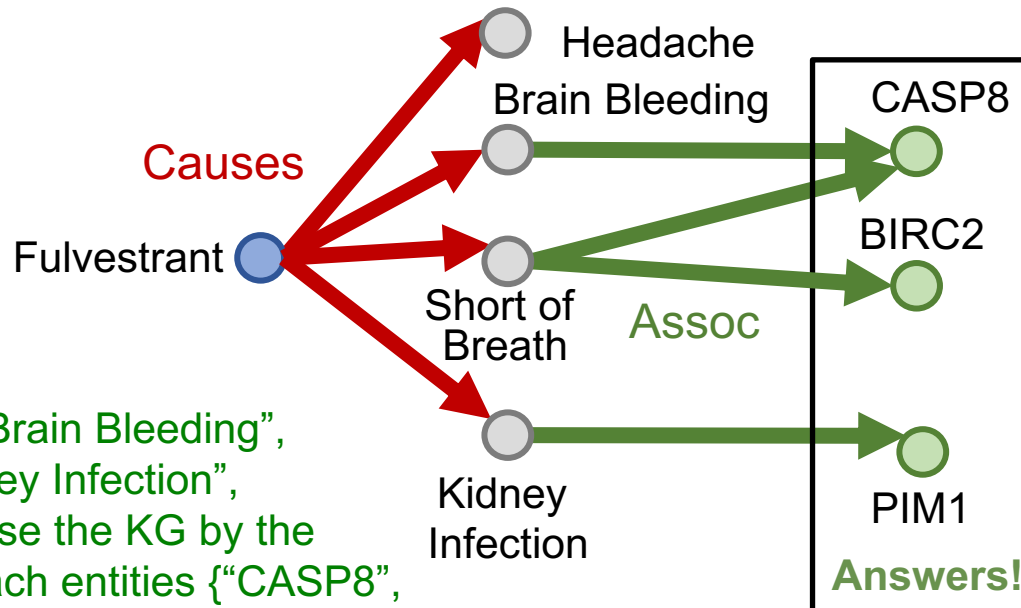
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Start from the anchor node “Fulvestrant” and traverse the KG by the relation “Causes”, we reach entities {“Brain Bleeding”, “Short of Breath”, “Kidney Infection”, “Headache”}.

Traversing Knowledge Graphs

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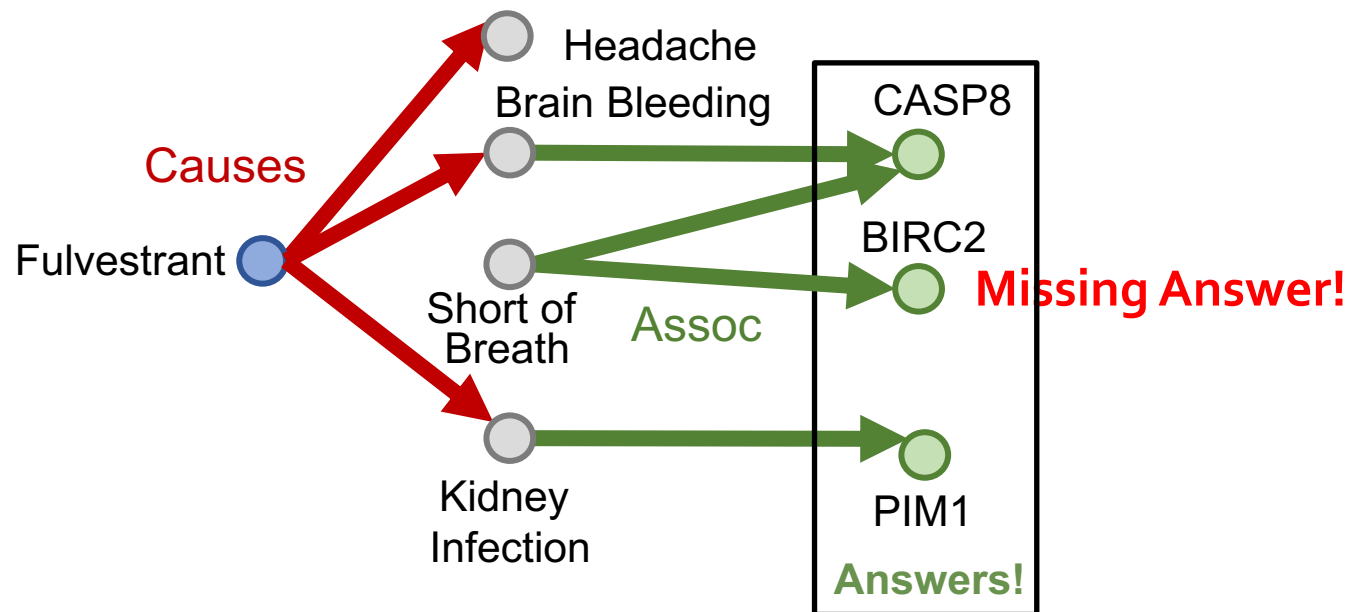
Start from the nodes {"Brain Bleeding", "Short of Breath", "Kidney Infection", "Headache"} and traverse the KG by the relation "Assoc", we reach entities {"CASP8", "BIRC2", "PIM1"}. These are the answers.

However, KGs are incomplete

- 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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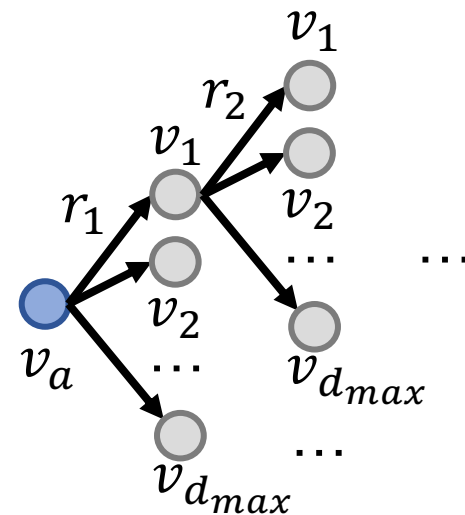


Can KG Completion Help?

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 : $O(d_{max}^L)$



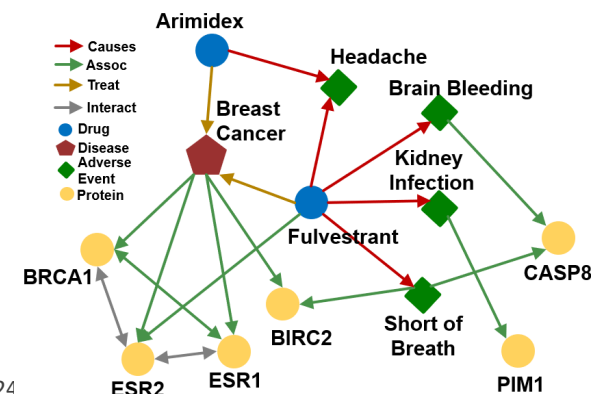
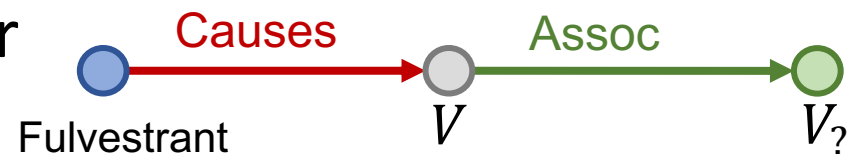
Task: Predictive Queries

- 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 of the Lecture

1) 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)

2) How do we train the embeddings?

- The process of determining entity and relation embeddings which allow us to embed a query.

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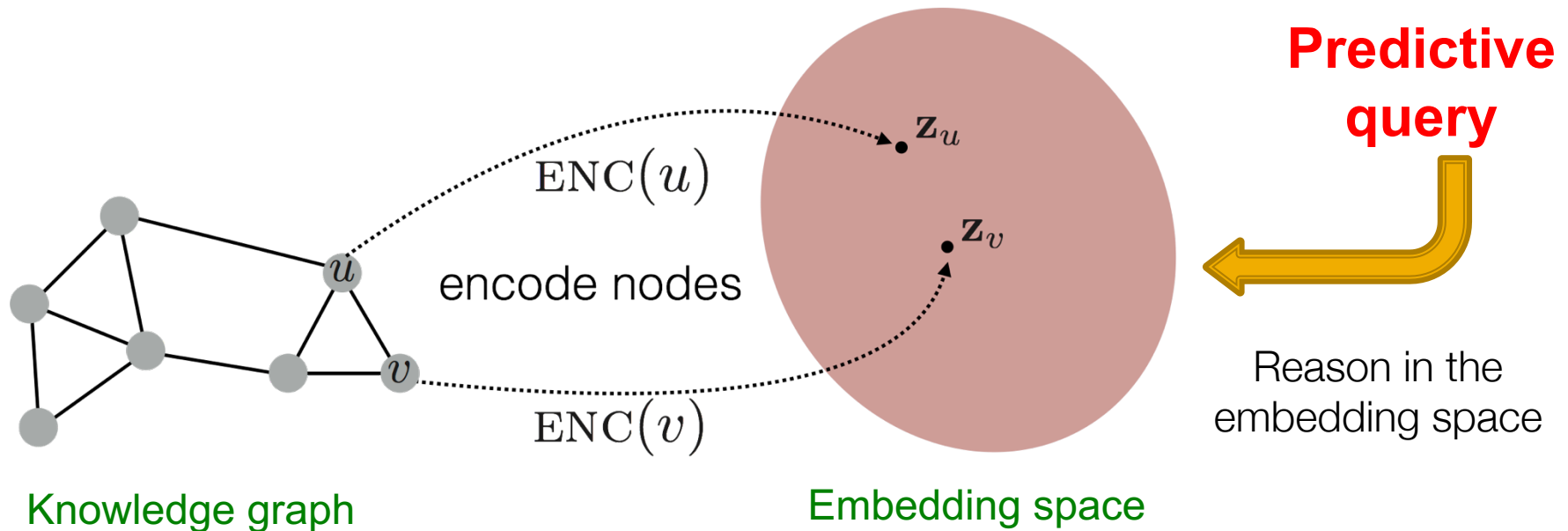
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General Idea



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.

[[Embedding Logical Queries on Knowledge Graphs](#). Hamilton, et al., NeurIPS 2018]

[[Query2box: Reasoning over Knowledge Graphs in Vector Space Using Box Embeddings](#). Ren, et al., ICLR 2020]

Idea: Traversing KG in Vector Space

■ Key idea: Embed queries!

- Let's generalize **TransE** to multi-hop reasoning.

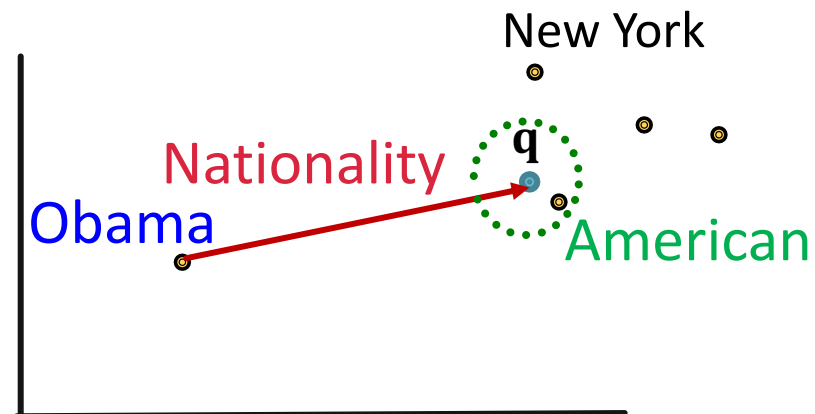
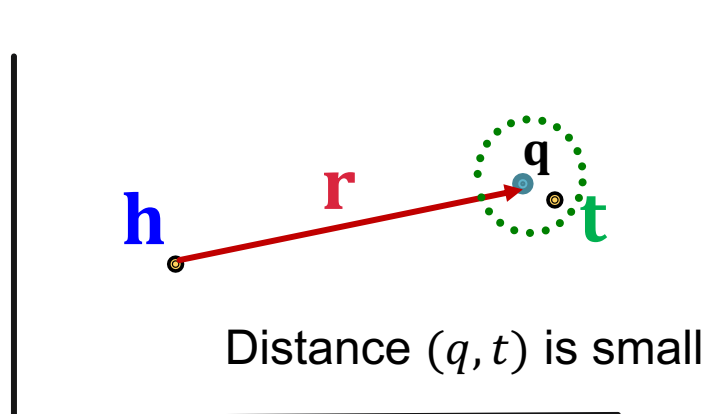
- **Recap: TransE**: Translate **h** to **t** using **r** with score function $f_r(h, t) = -\|\mathbf{h} + \mathbf{r} - \mathbf{t}\|$.

- Another way to interpret this is that:

- **Query embedding**: $\mathbf{q} = \mathbf{h} + \mathbf{r}$

- Goal: **query embedding** **q** is **close** to the **answer embedding** **t**

$$f_q(t) = -\|\mathbf{q} - \mathbf{t}\|$$

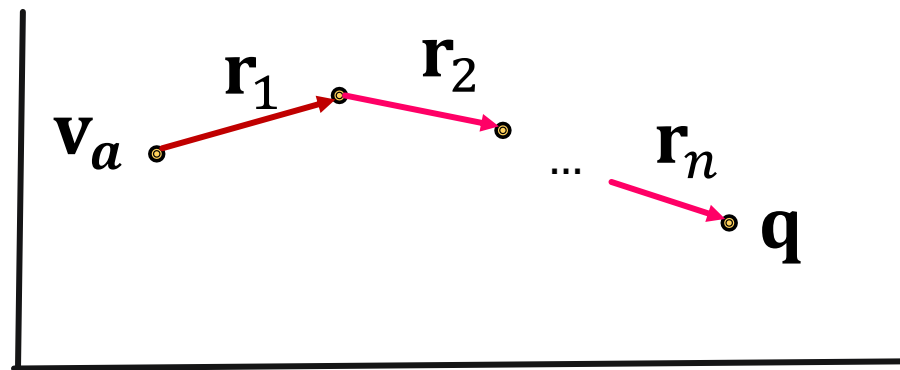


Traversing KG in Vector Space

- **Key idea: Embed queries!**

- Generalize **TransE** to multi-hop reasoning.

Given a path query $q = (v_a, (r_1, \dots, r_n))$,



$$q = v_a + r_1 + \dots + r_n$$

- 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.

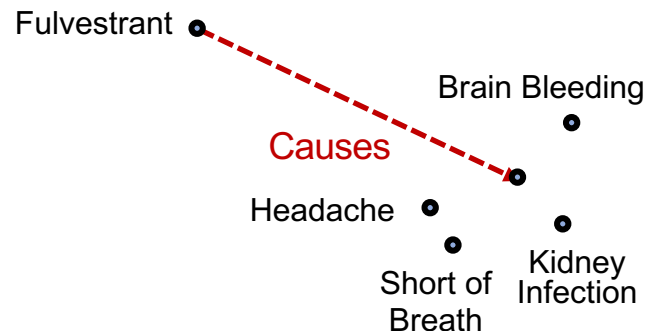
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Traversing KG in Vector Space (3)

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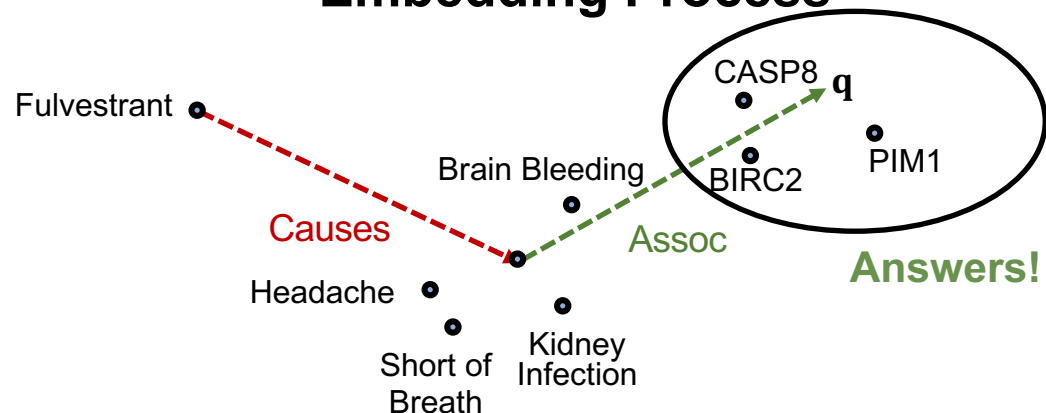
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Traversing KG in Vector Space (4)

Insights:

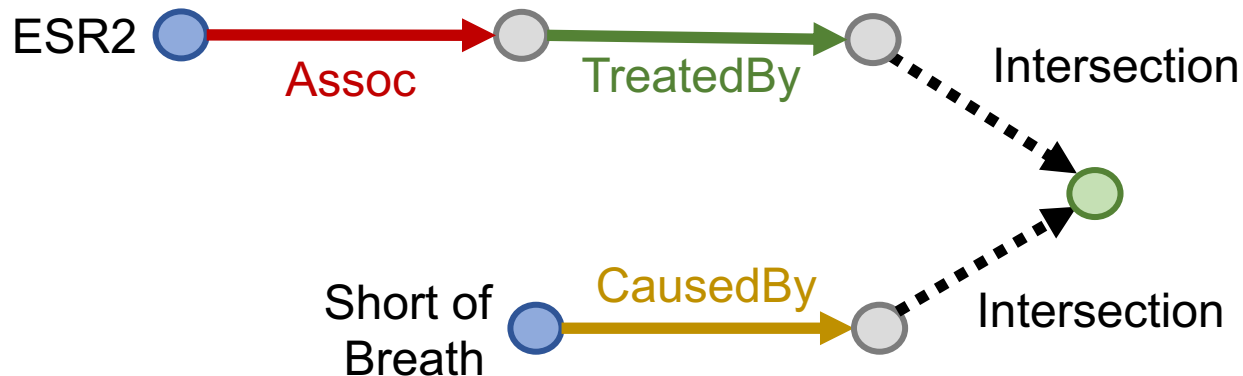
- We can train **TransE** to optimize knowledge graph completion objective
- Since **TransE** can naturally handle **compositional relations**, it can handle path queries by translating in the latent space **for multiple hops using addition of relation embeddings**.
- **DistMult** / **ComplEx**, since they cannot handle compositional relations, 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?”
((e:ESR2, (r:Assoc, r:TreatedBy)), (e:Short of Breath, (r:CausedBy)))

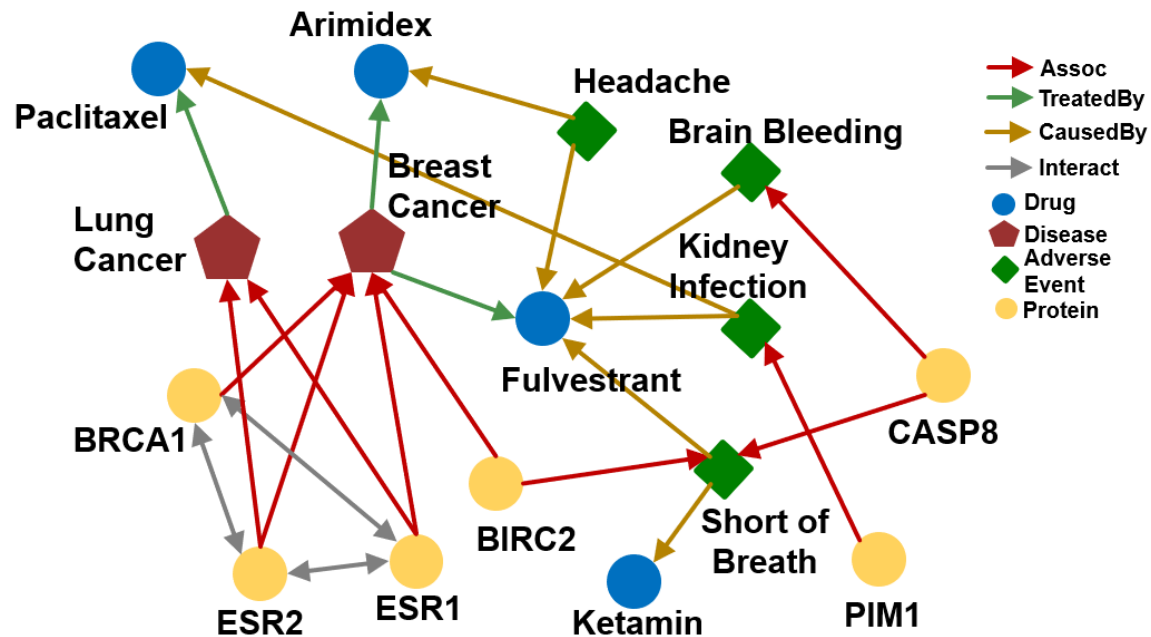
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Conjunctive Queries

- *“What are drugs that cause Short of Breath and treat diseases associated with protein ESR2?”*
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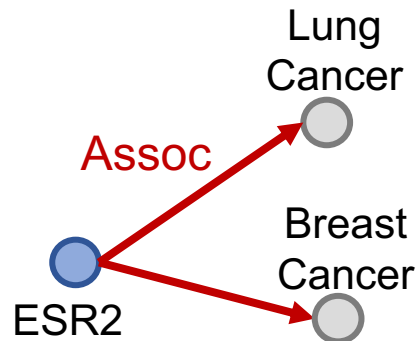
How do we answer the question by KG traversal?



Traversing KG for Conjunctive Queries

- *“What are drugs that cause Short of Breath and treat diseases associated with protein ESR2?”*
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Traverse KG from **anchor nodes**: **ESR2** and **Short of Breath**:

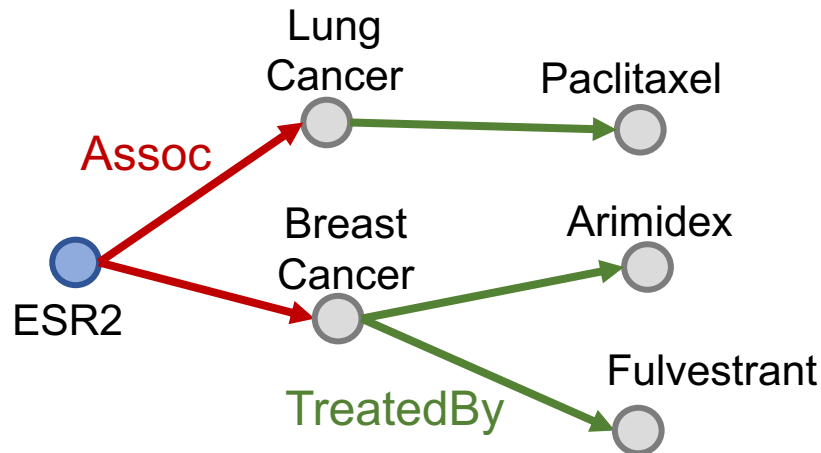


Traverse from the first anchor “ESR2” by relation “Assoc”, we reach a set of entities {“Lung Cancer”, “Breast Cancer”}

Traversing KG for Conjunctive Queries

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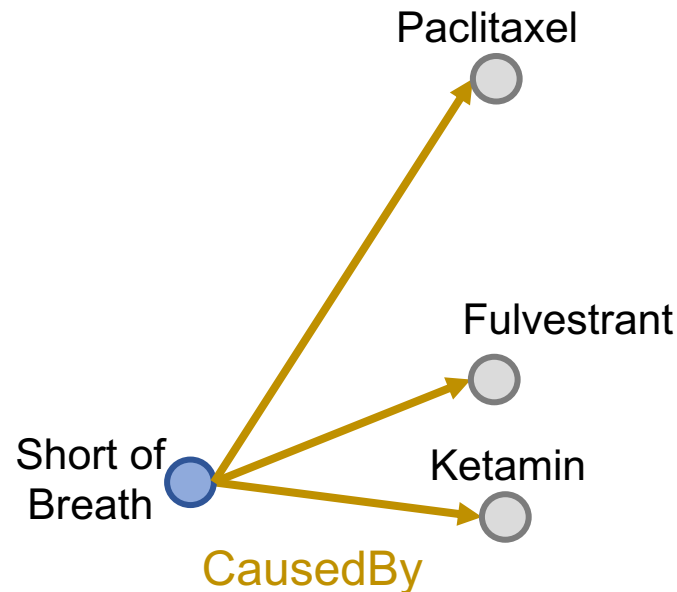


Traverse from the set of entities {"Lung Cancer", "Breast Cancer"} by relation TreatedBy, we reach a set of entities {"Paclitaxel", "Arimidex", "Fulvestrant"}

Traversing KG for Conjunctive Queries

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

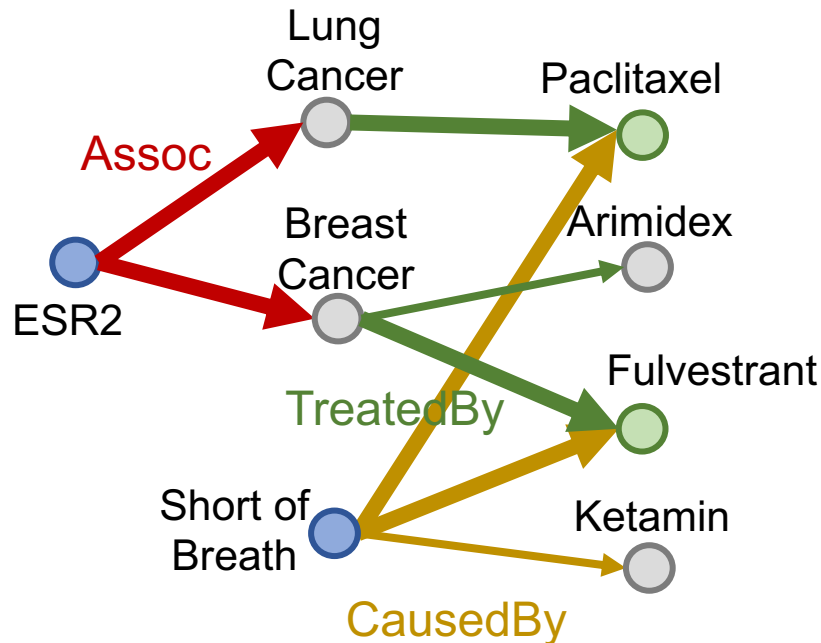


Traverse from the second anchor “Short of Breath” by relation “CausedBy”, we reach a set of entities {“Fulvestrant”, “Ketamin”, “Paclitaxel”}

Traversing KG for Conjunctive Queries

- “What are drugs that cause Short of Breath and treat diseases associated with protein ESR2?”
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Traverse KG from **anchor nodes**: **ESR2** and **Short of Breath**:

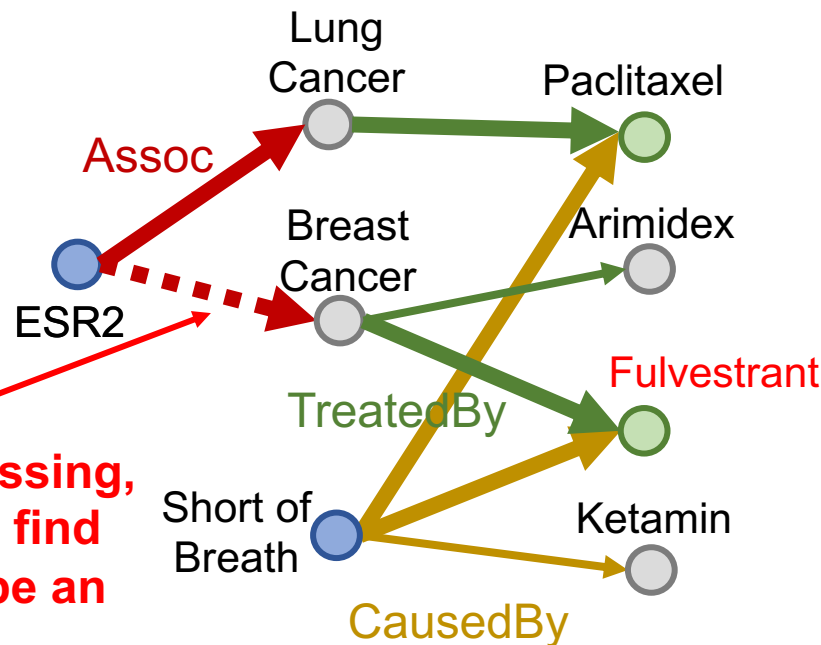


We take intersection between the two sets and get the answers {"Fulvestrant", "Paclitaxel"}

Traversing KG for Conjunctive Queries

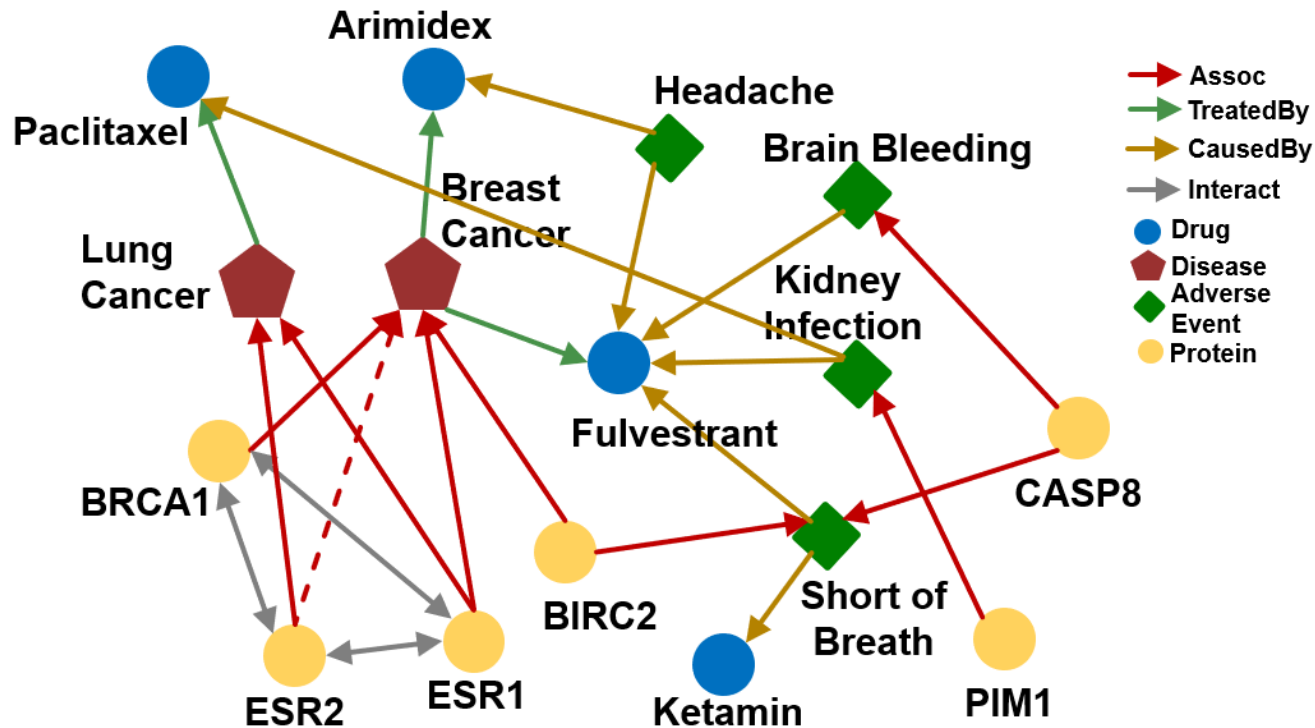
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Traverse KG from **anchor nodes**: **ESR2** and **Short of Breath**:



If this link is missing, then we cannot find Fulvestrant to be an answer

Traversing KG for Conjunctive Queries



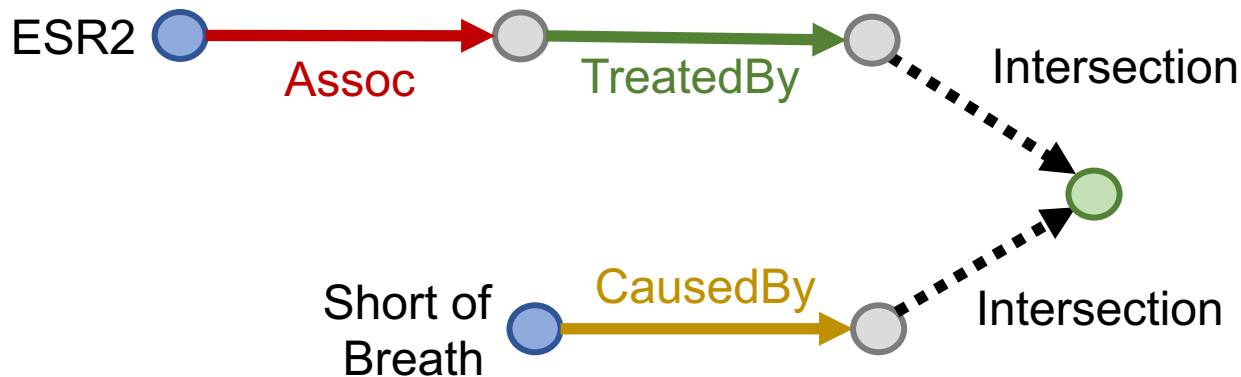
- How can we use embeddings to implicitly impute the missing (ESR2, Assoc, Breast Cancer)?
- **Intuition:** ESR2 interacts with both BRCA1 and ESR1. Both proteins are associated with breast cancer.

Traversing KG in Vector Space

- “What are drugs that cause Short of Breath and treat diseases associated with protein ESR2?”

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Query plan:



Each intermediate node represents a set of entities, how do we represent it? How do we define the intersection operation in the latent space?

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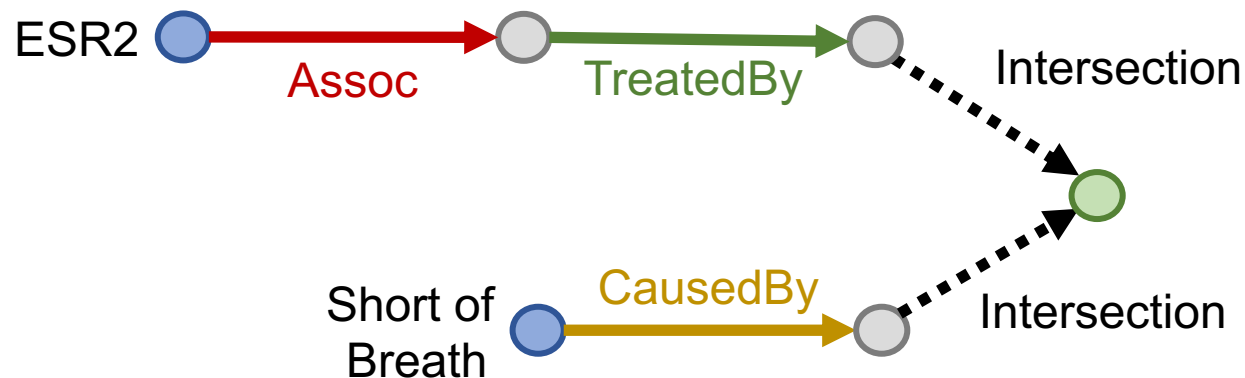
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Conjunctive Queries

How can we answer **more complex queries with logical conjunction operation?**

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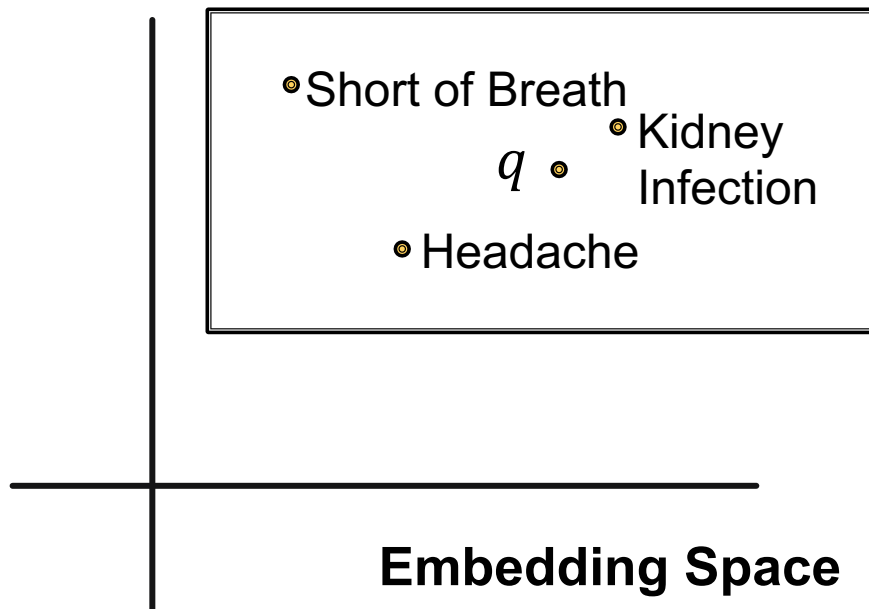
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Box Embeddings

- Embed queries with **hyper-rectangles (boxes)**

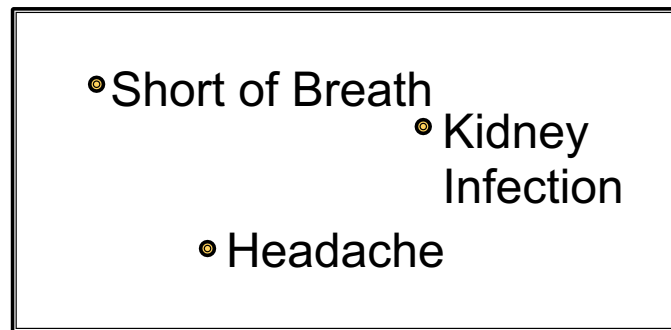
$$\mathbf{q} = (\text{Center}(q), \text{Offset}(q))$$



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

Notation

d : out degree

$|V|$: # entities

$|R|$: # relations

Embed with Box Embedding

- **Embed queries in vector space:** “*What are drugs that cause Short of Breath and treat diseases associated with protein ESR2?*”
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Traverse KG from anchor nodes: **ESR2** and **Short of Breath:**

Query plan

Embedding Space



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ESR2 ●

Projection Operator

Projection Operator \mathcal{P}

■ Intuition:

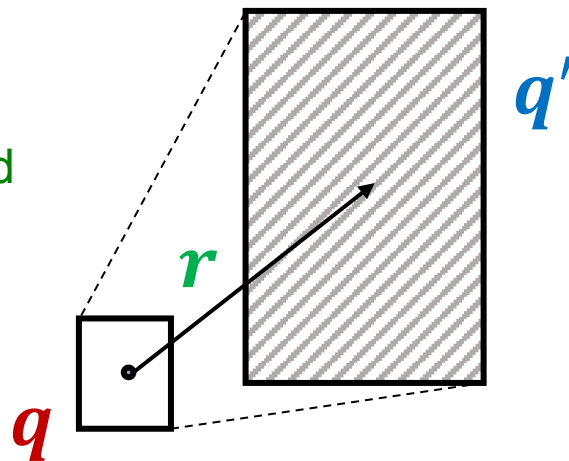
- Take the current box as input and use the **relation embedding** to **project and expand** the box!

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

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

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

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



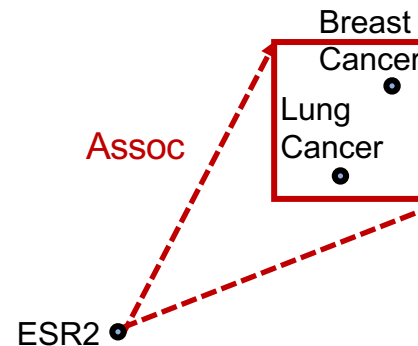
Embed with Box Embedding

- **Embed queries in vector space:** “*What are drugs that cause Short of Breath and treat diseases associated with protein ESR2?*”
- Traverse KG from **anchor nodes: ESR2** and **Short of Breath:**
- Use **projection operator** again following the query plan.

Query Plan



Embedding Space



Embed with Box Embedding

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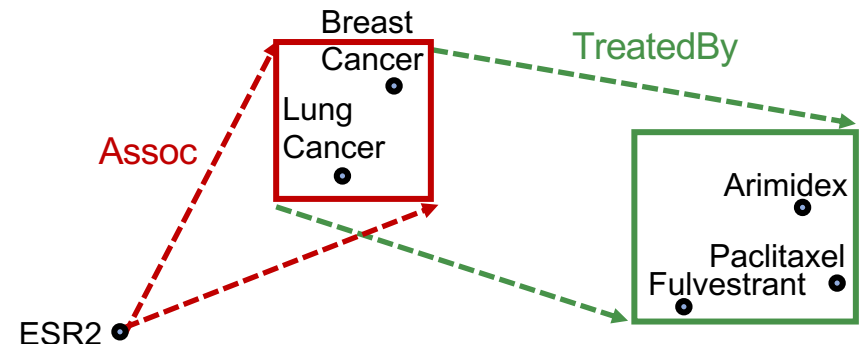
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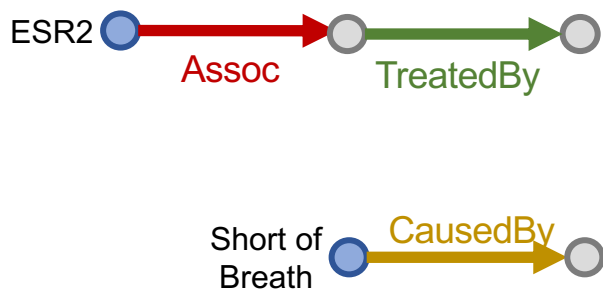
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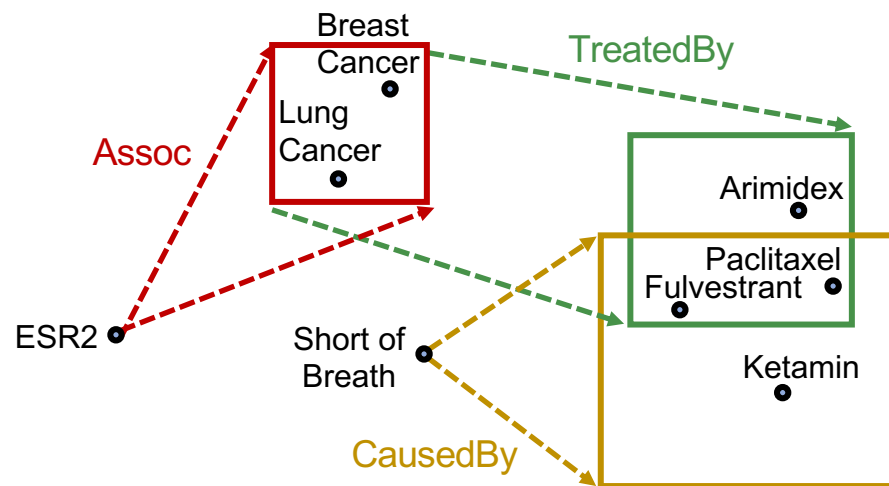
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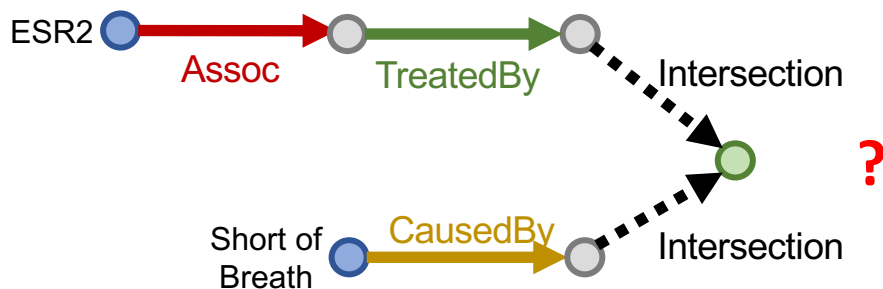
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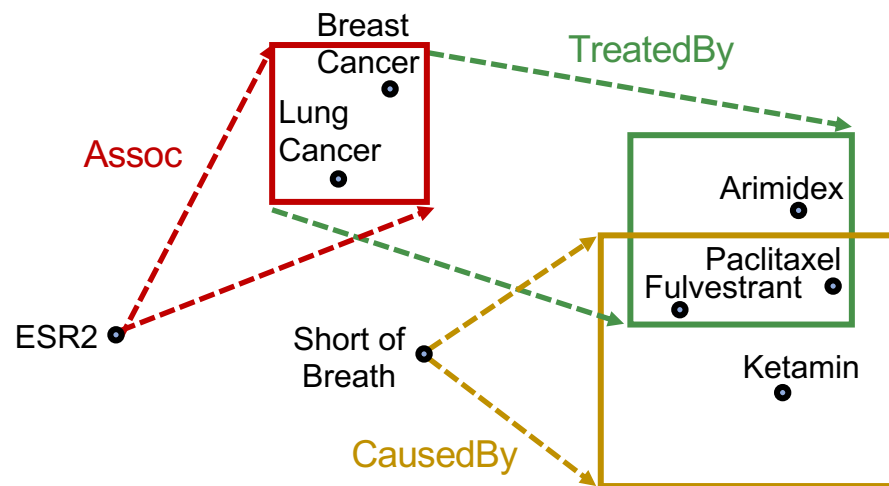
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■ How do we take intersection of boxes?

Query Plan



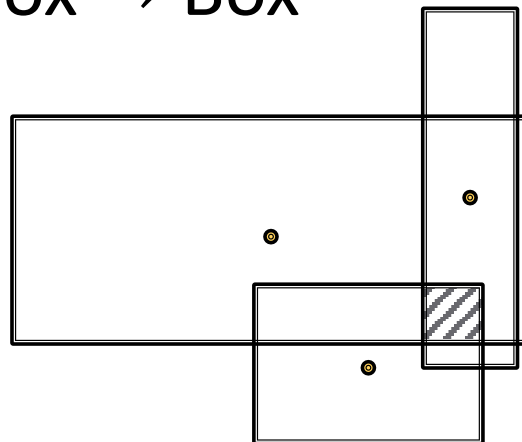
Embedding Space



Intersection Operator

Geometric Intersection Operator \mathcal{J}

- 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)
- $\mathcal{J} : \text{Box} \times \cdots \times \text{Box} \rightarrow \text{Box}$



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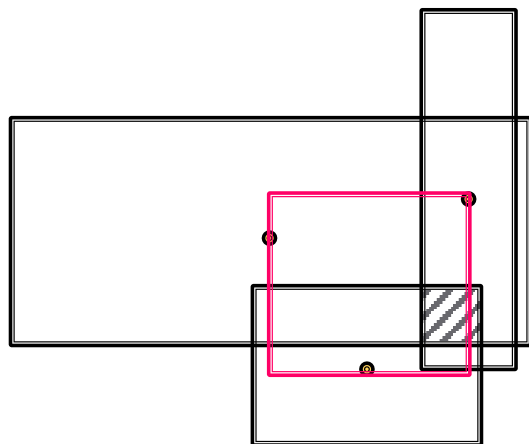
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Hadamard product
(element-wise product)

$$\text{Cen}(q_{inter}) = \sum_i \mathbf{w}_i \odot \text{Cen}(q_i)$$

$$\mathbf{w}_i = \frac{\exp(f_{cen}(\text{Cen}(q_i)))}{\sum_j \exp(f_{cen}(\text{Cen}(q_j)))}$$

$\text{Cen}(q_i) \in \mathbb{R}^d$
 $\mathbf{w}_i \in \mathbb{R}^d$



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

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

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

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

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$$\begin{aligned} & \text{Off}(q_{\text{inter}}) \\ &= \min(\text{Off}(q_1), \dots, \text{Off}(q_n)) \\ & \odot \sigma(f_{\text{off}}(\text{Off}(q_1), \dots, \text{Off}(q_n))) \end{aligned}$$

guarantees shrinking

Sigmoid function:
squashes output in (0,1)

f_{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

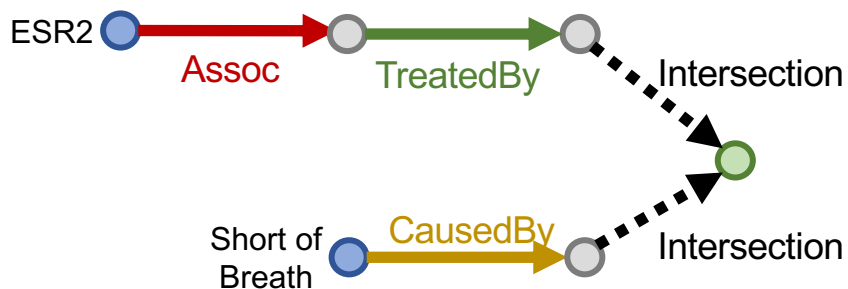
Implementation: We first **take minimum** of the offset of the input box, and then we make the model more expressive by introducing a new function f_{off} to extract the **representation** of the input boxes with a **sigmoid function** to **guarantee shrinking**.

Embed with Box Embedding

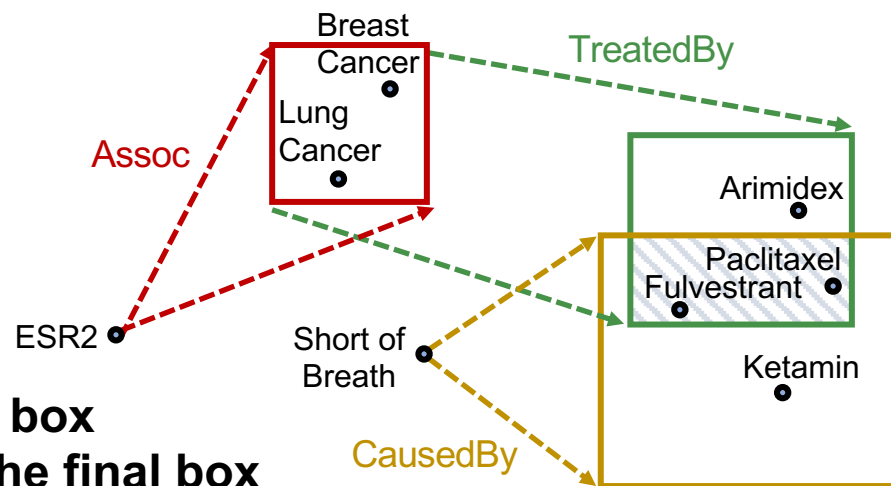
“What is the drug that causes Short of Breath and treats disease associated with protein ESR2?”
((e:ESR2, (r:Assoc, r:TreatedBy)), (e:Short of Breath, (r:CausedBy)))

- Use box intersection operator

Query Plan



Embedding Space



The shadow box represents the final box embedding of the query

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

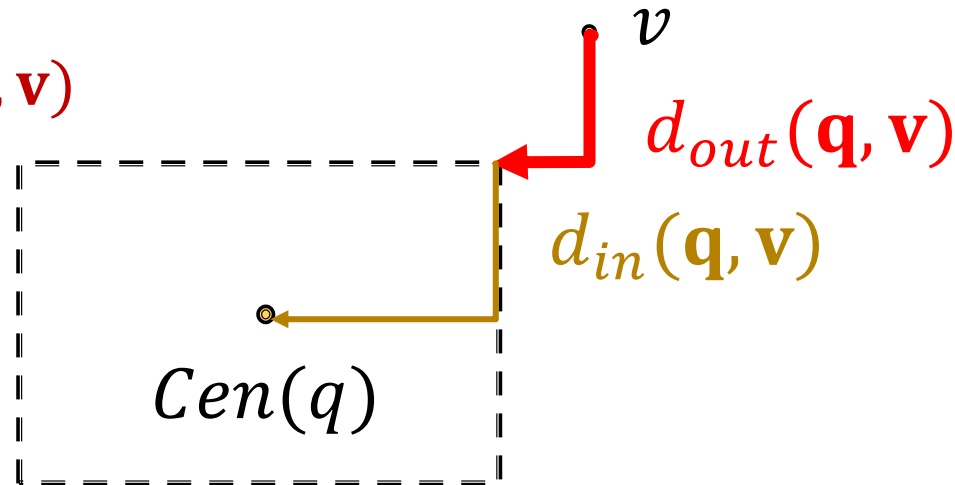
- Given a query box \mathbf{q} and entity embedding (box) \mathbf{v} ,

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

where $0 < \alpha < 1$.

- Intuition:** if the point is enclosed in the box, the distance should be **downweighted**.

- $f_q(v) = -d_{box}(\mathbf{q}, \mathbf{v})$



Extending to Union Operation

- 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?

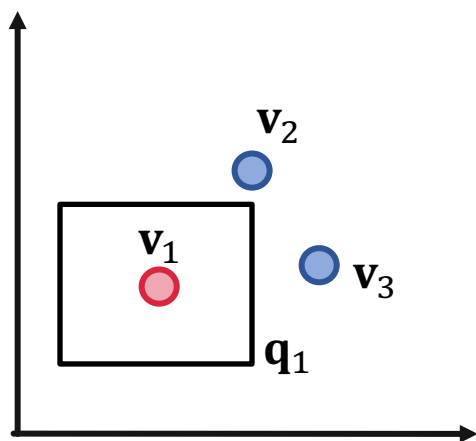
Embedding AND-OR Queries

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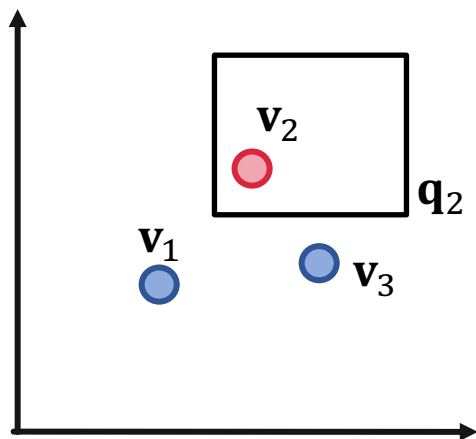


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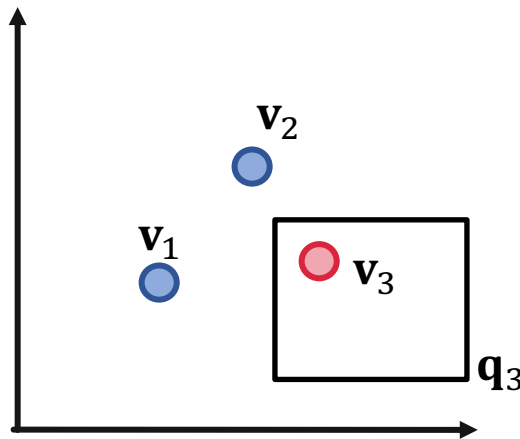


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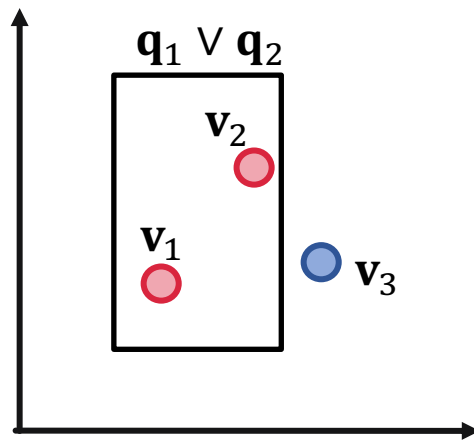


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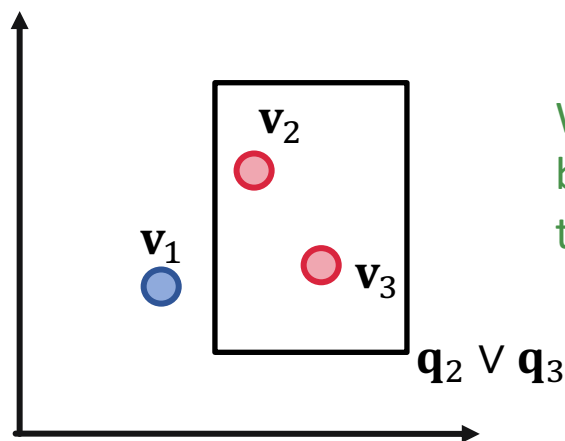


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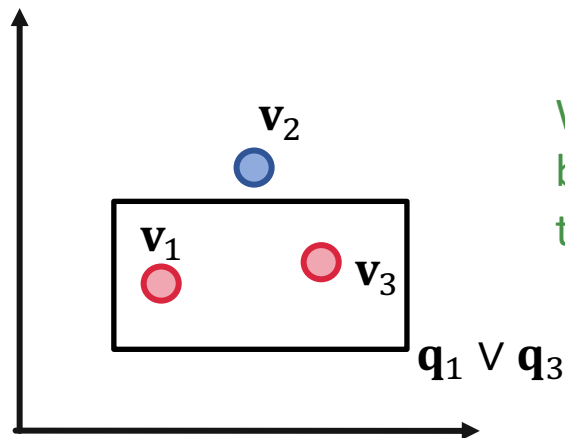


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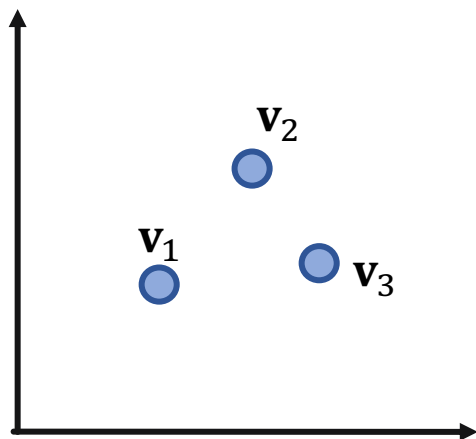


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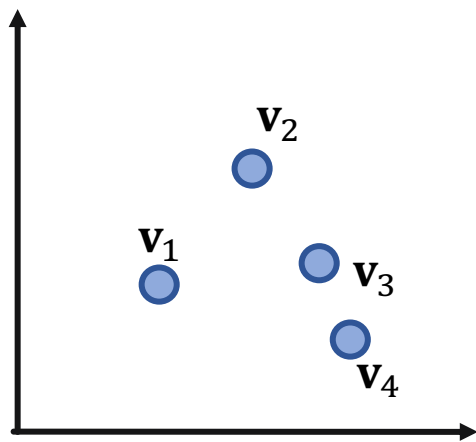


For 3 points, 2-dimension is okay!
How about 4 points?

Embedding AND-OR Queries (2)

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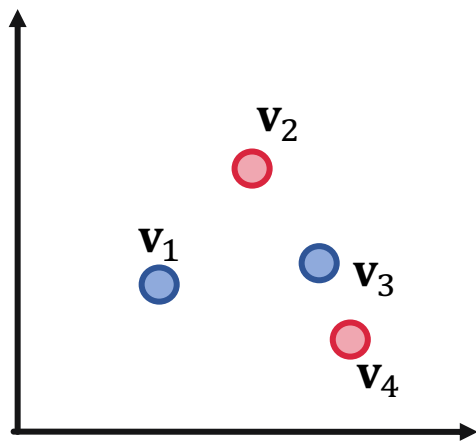
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We cannot design a box embedding for $q_2 \vee q_4$, that only v_2 and v_4 are in the box but v_1 and v_3 are outside the box.

Embedding AND-OR Queries (2)

Can we embed AND-OR queries in low-dimensional vector space?

- **Conclusion:** Given any M conjunctive queries q_1, \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.

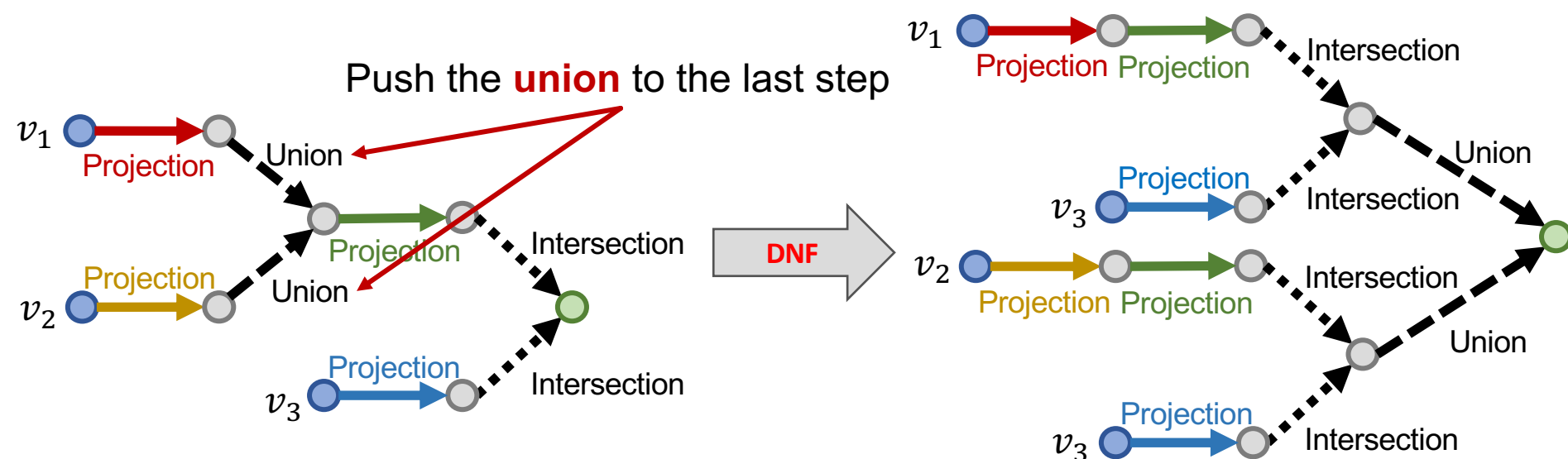
Embedding AND-OR Queries (3)

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!**

Original Query Plan

Converted Query Plan



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 $q = q_1 \vee q_2 \vee \dots \vee q_m$ is defined as:

$$d_{box}(\mathbf{q}, \mathbf{v}) = \min(d_{box}(\mathbf{q}_1, \mathbf{v}), \dots, d_{box}(\mathbf{q}_m, \mathbf{v}))$$

- **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 \mathbf{v} is close to one conjunctive query \mathbf{q}_i , then \mathbf{v} should be close to \mathbf{q} **in the embedding space**

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- **The process of embedding any AND-OR query q**
 1. Transform q to **equivalent DNF** $q_1 \vee \dots \vee q_m$
 2. **Embed** q_1 to q_m
 3. Calculate the (box) distance $d_{box}(\mathbf{q}_i, \mathbf{v})$
 4. Take the **minimum** of all distance
 5. **The final score** $f_q(v) = -d_{box}(\mathbf{q}, \mathbf{v})$

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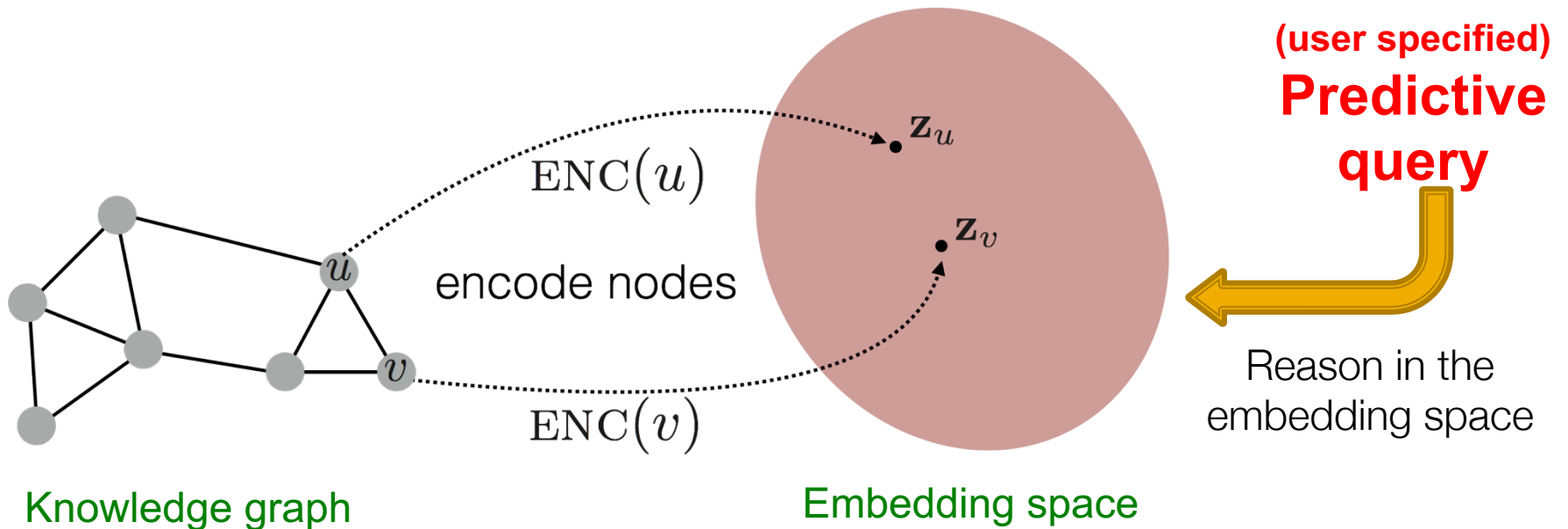
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Training Overview

- **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

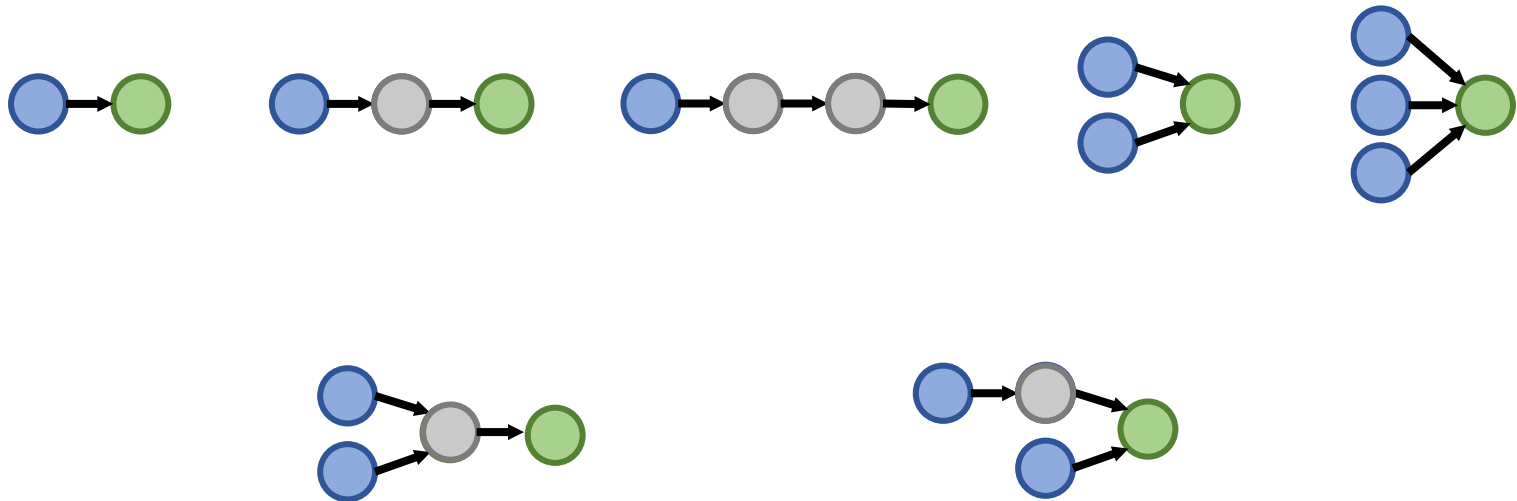
■ Training:

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 minimize $f_q(v')$):

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

Query Generation from Templates

- Generate queries from multiple query templates:

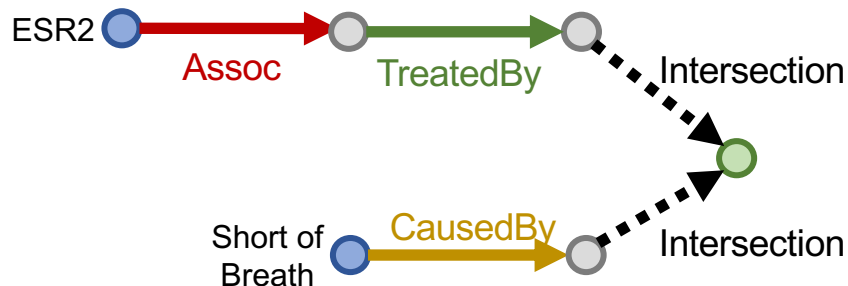


Query Generation from Templates

- 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?**

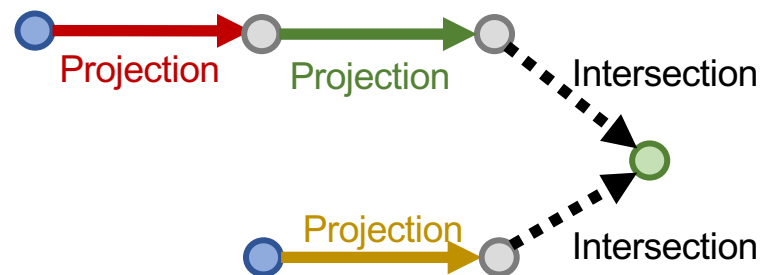
Query

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Query Template

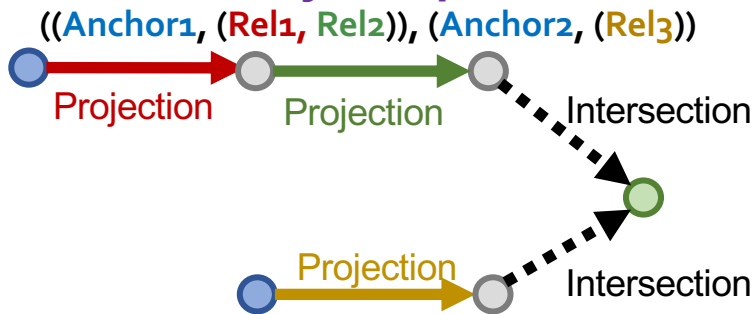
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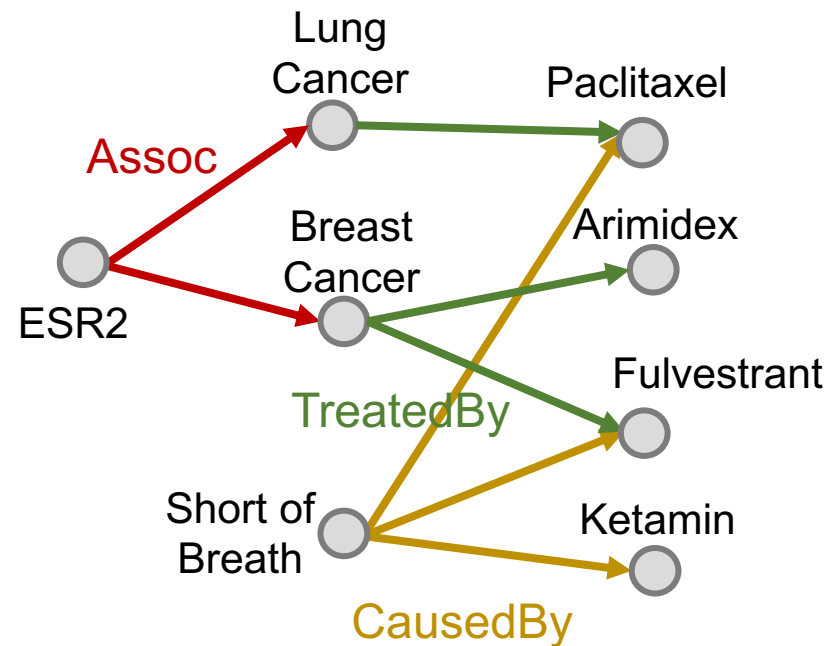
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Query Template



Knowledge Graph

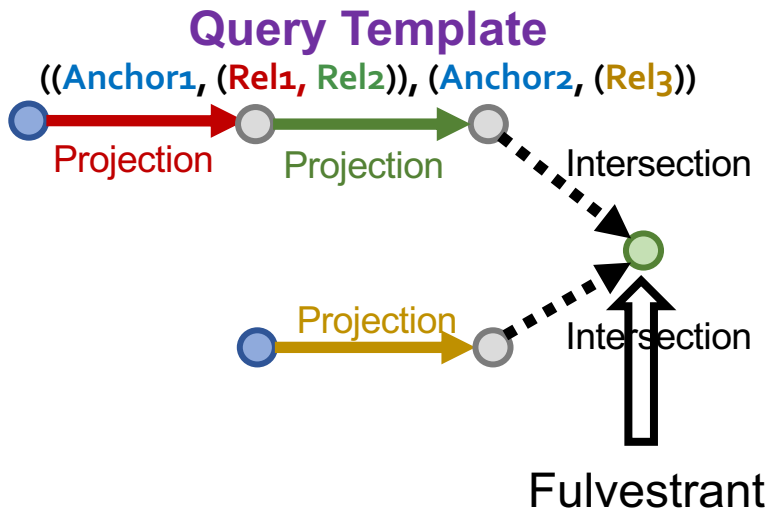


Overview:

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**

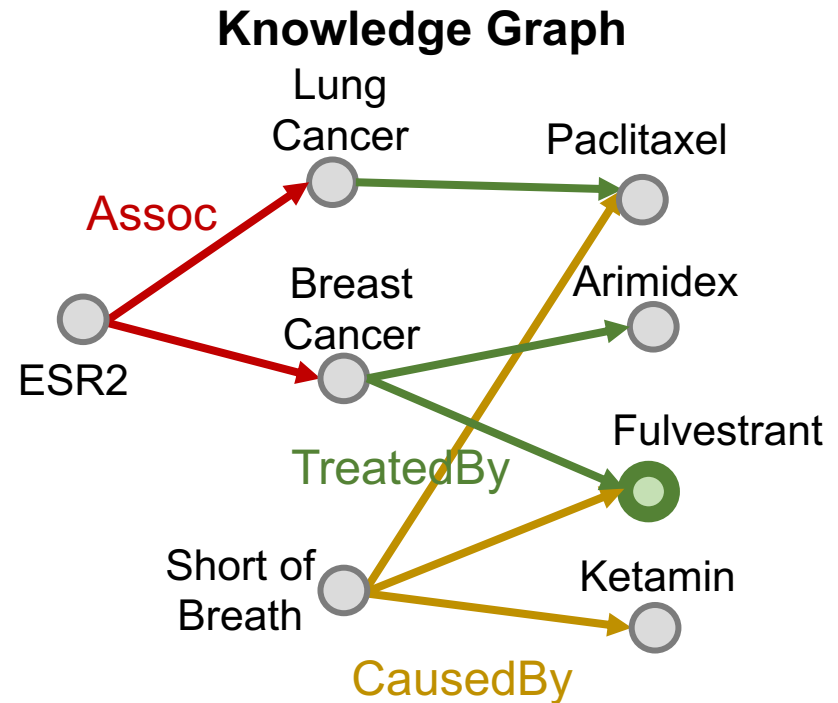
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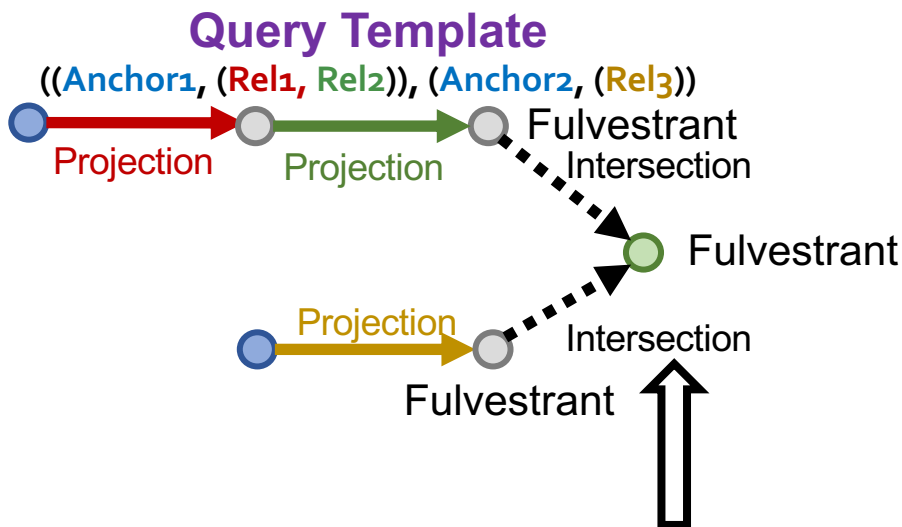
Start from instantiating the **root node** of the query template.

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

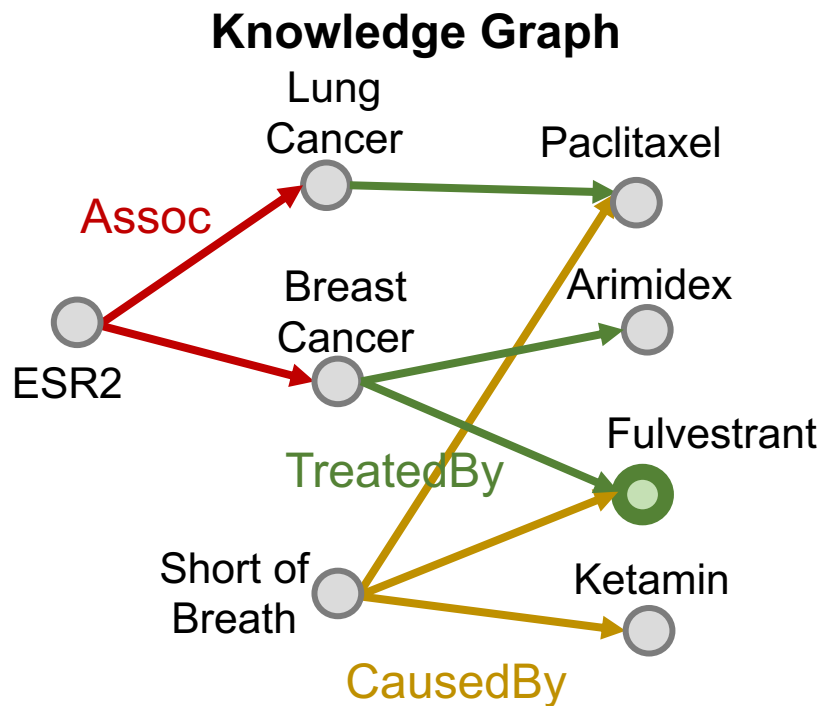


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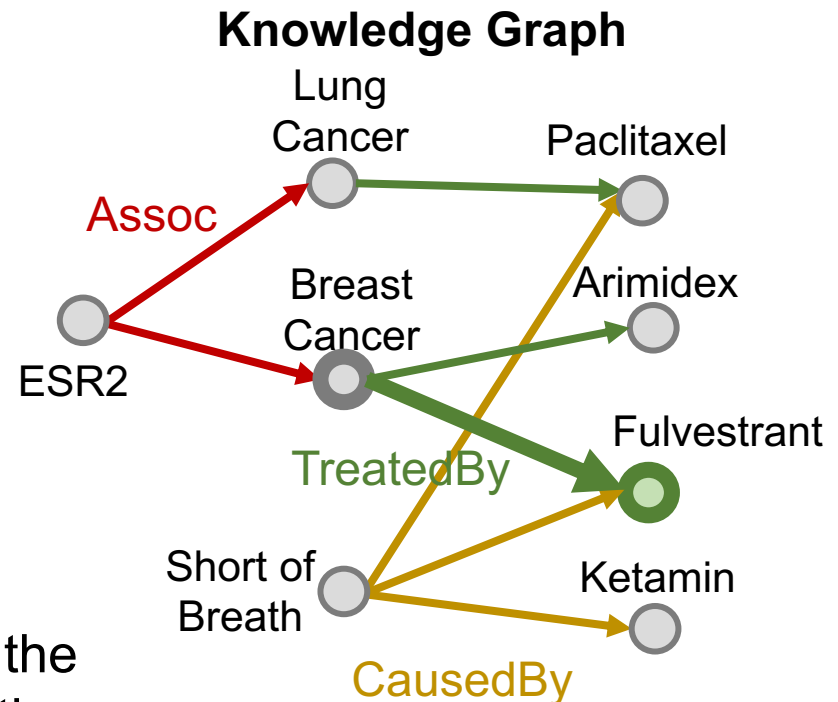
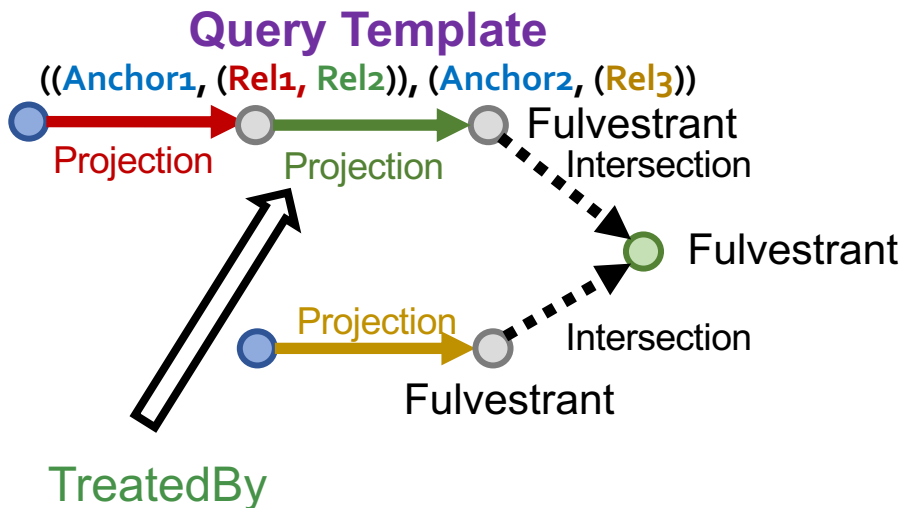


Now we look at intersection.
What we have is that the intersection of the sets of entities is **Fulvestrant**, then naturally the two sets should also contain **Fulvestrant**.



Query Generation from Templates

- How to instantiate a query template given a KG?



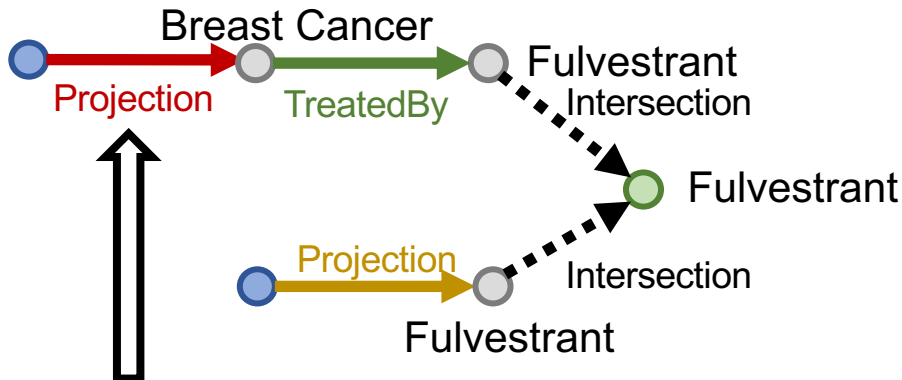
We instantiate the **Projection edge** in the template by randomly sample one relation associated with the current entity **Fulvestrant**. For example, we may select relation **TreatedBy**, and check what entities are connected to **Fulvestrant** with **TreatedBy**: {**Breast Cancer**}.

Query Generation from Templates

■ How to instantiate a query template given a KG?

Query Template

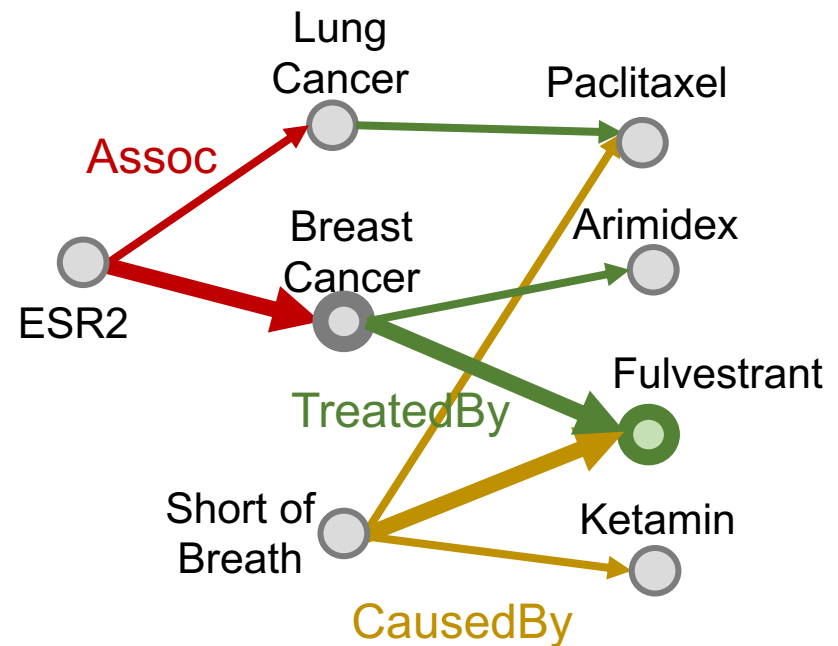
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Assoc

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}**.

Knowledge Graph

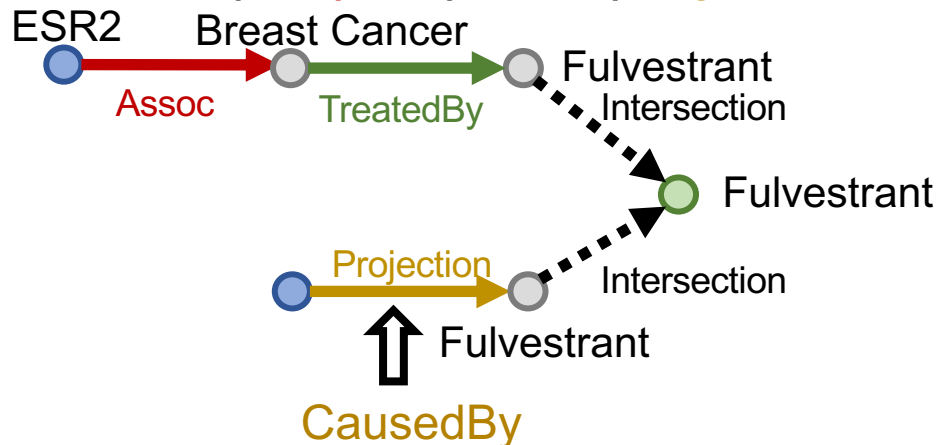


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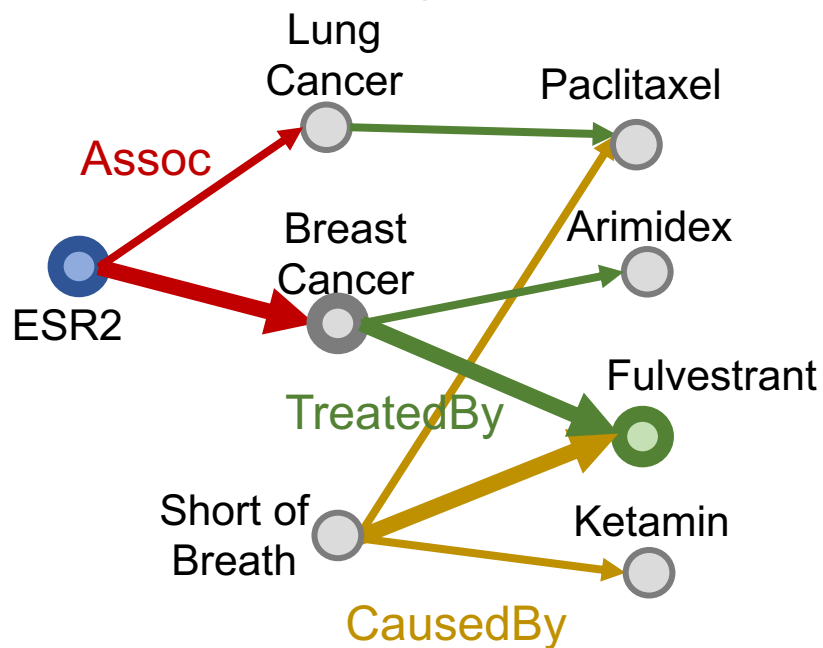
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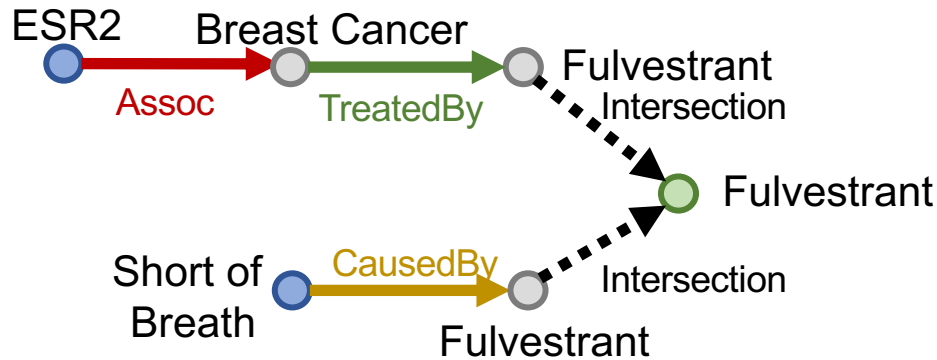
Then we look at the second branch and ground the **Projection edge** with the relation associated with **Fulvestrant**, e.g., **CausedBy**. Then we check what entities are connected to **Fulvestrant** with **CausedBy**: {**Short of Breath**}.

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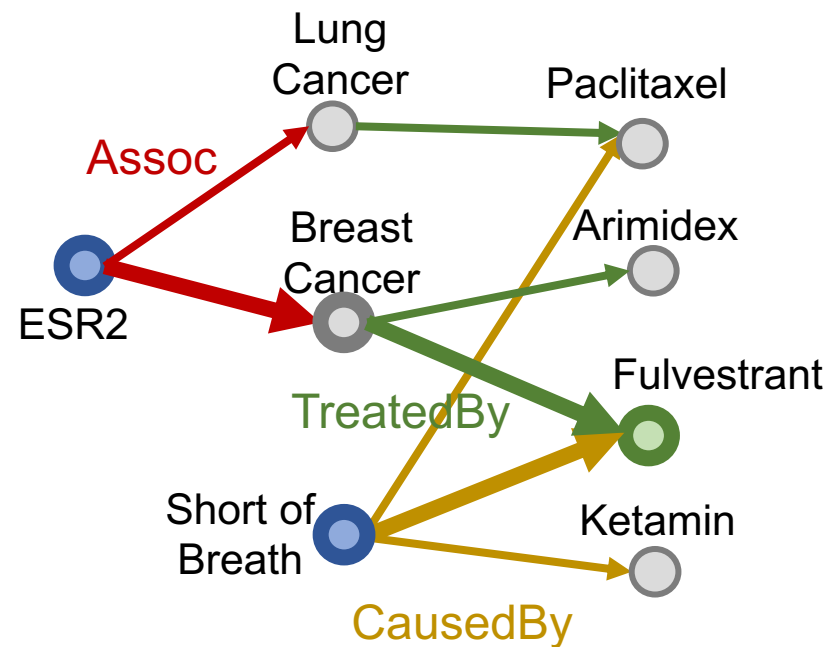
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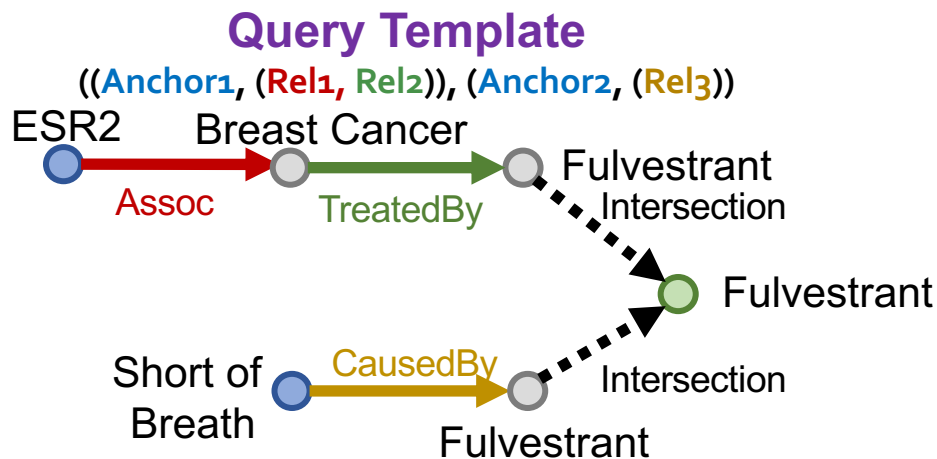
Knowledge Graph



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

Query Generation from Templates

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Now, we instantiated a **query** q !

q : ((e:ESR2, (r:Assoc, r:TreatedBy)), (e:Short of Breath, (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 $v' \notin \llbracket q \rrbracket_G$

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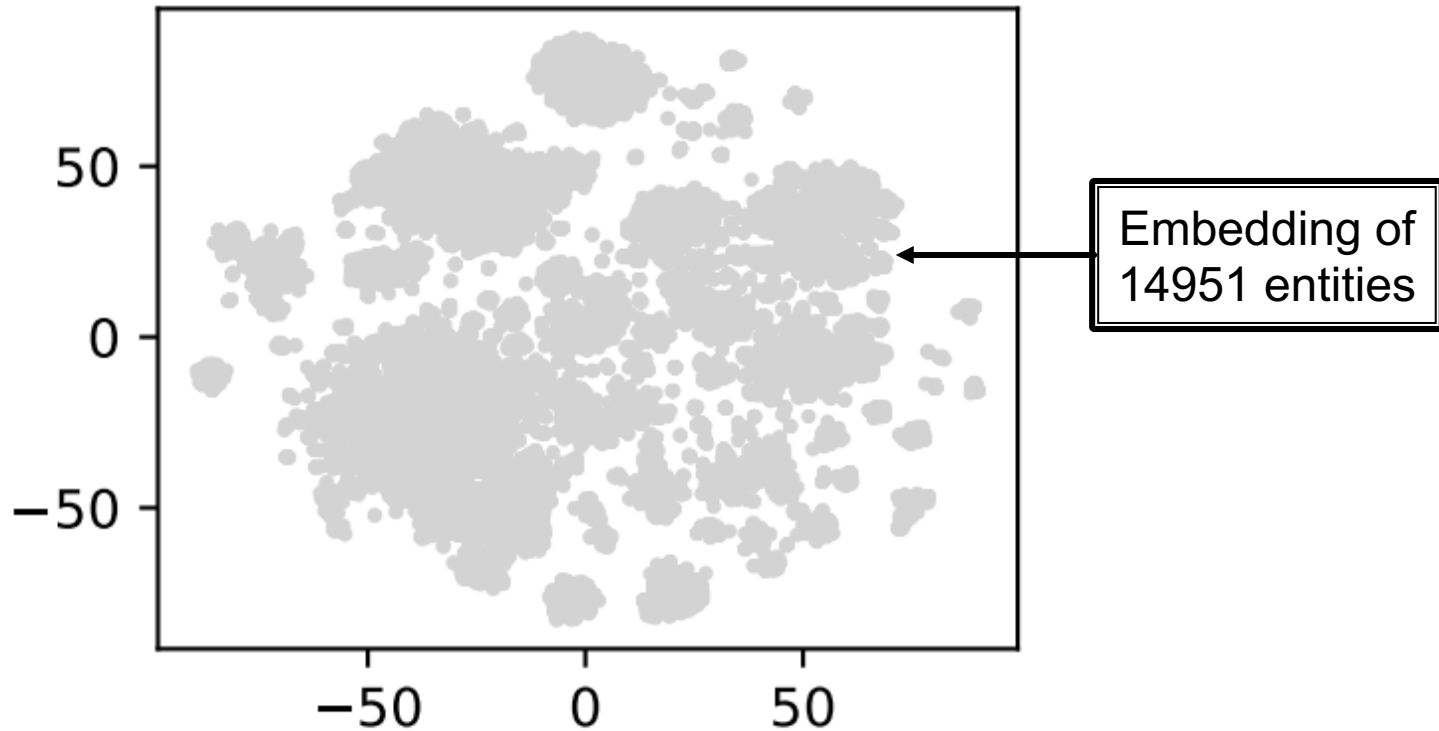
Visualization

- What do box embeddings actually learn?

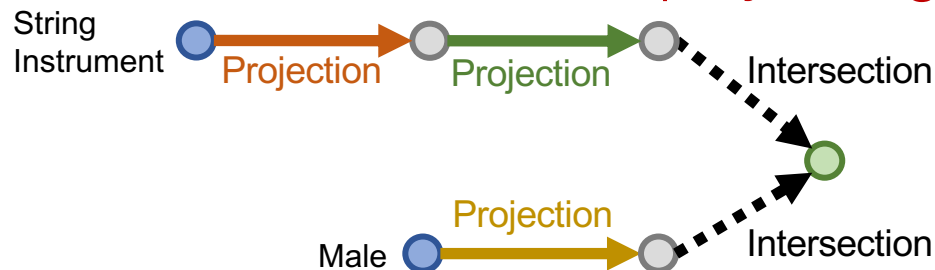
Example: *“List male instrumentalists who play string instruments”*

- We use t-SNE to reduce the embedding space to a 2-dimensional space, in order to **visualize the query results**

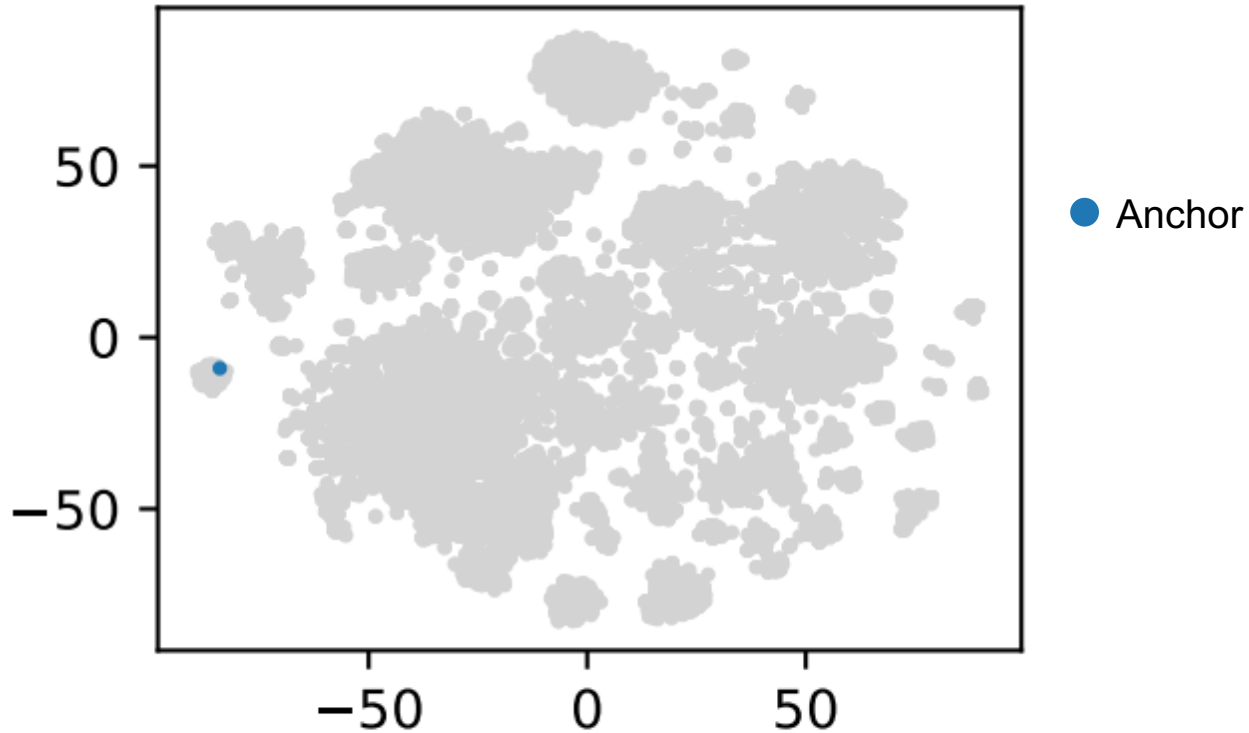
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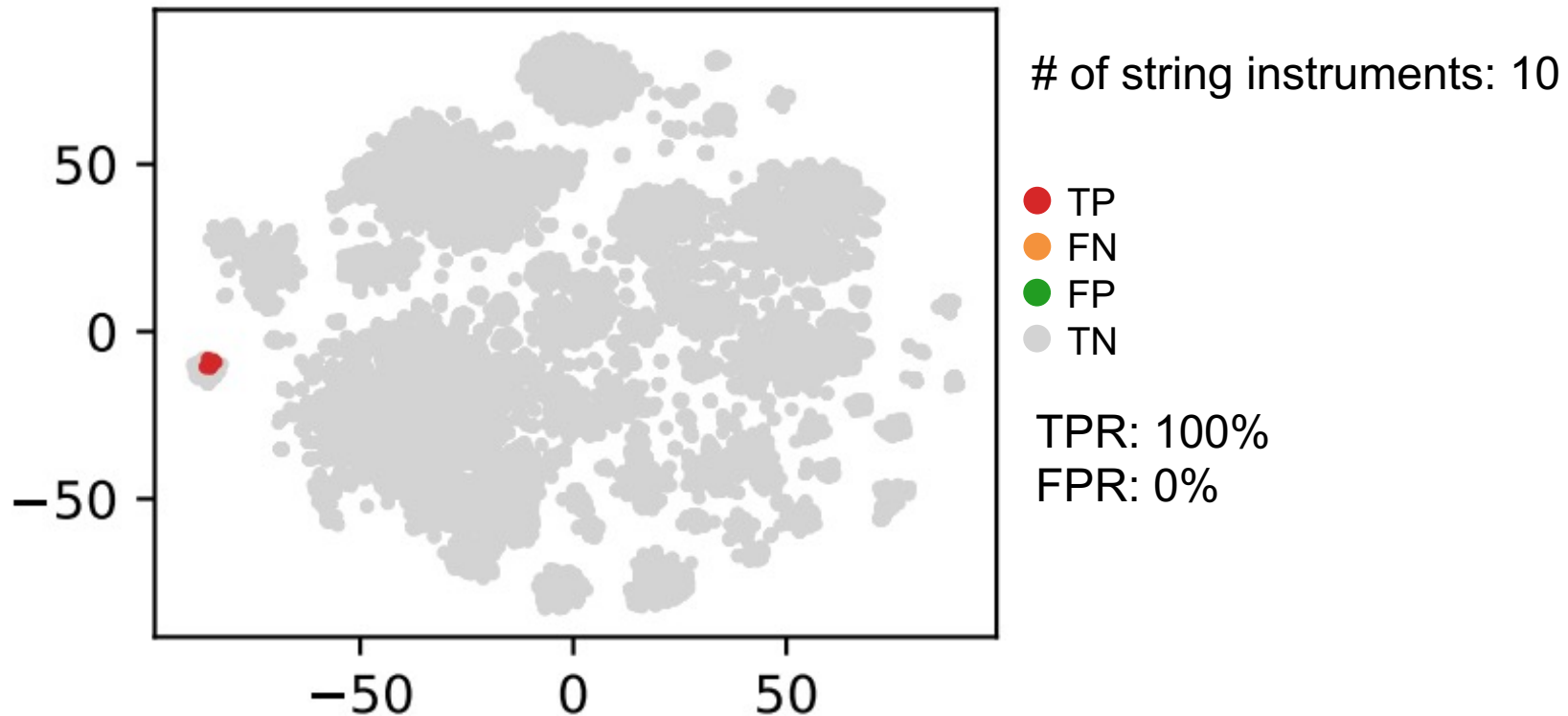
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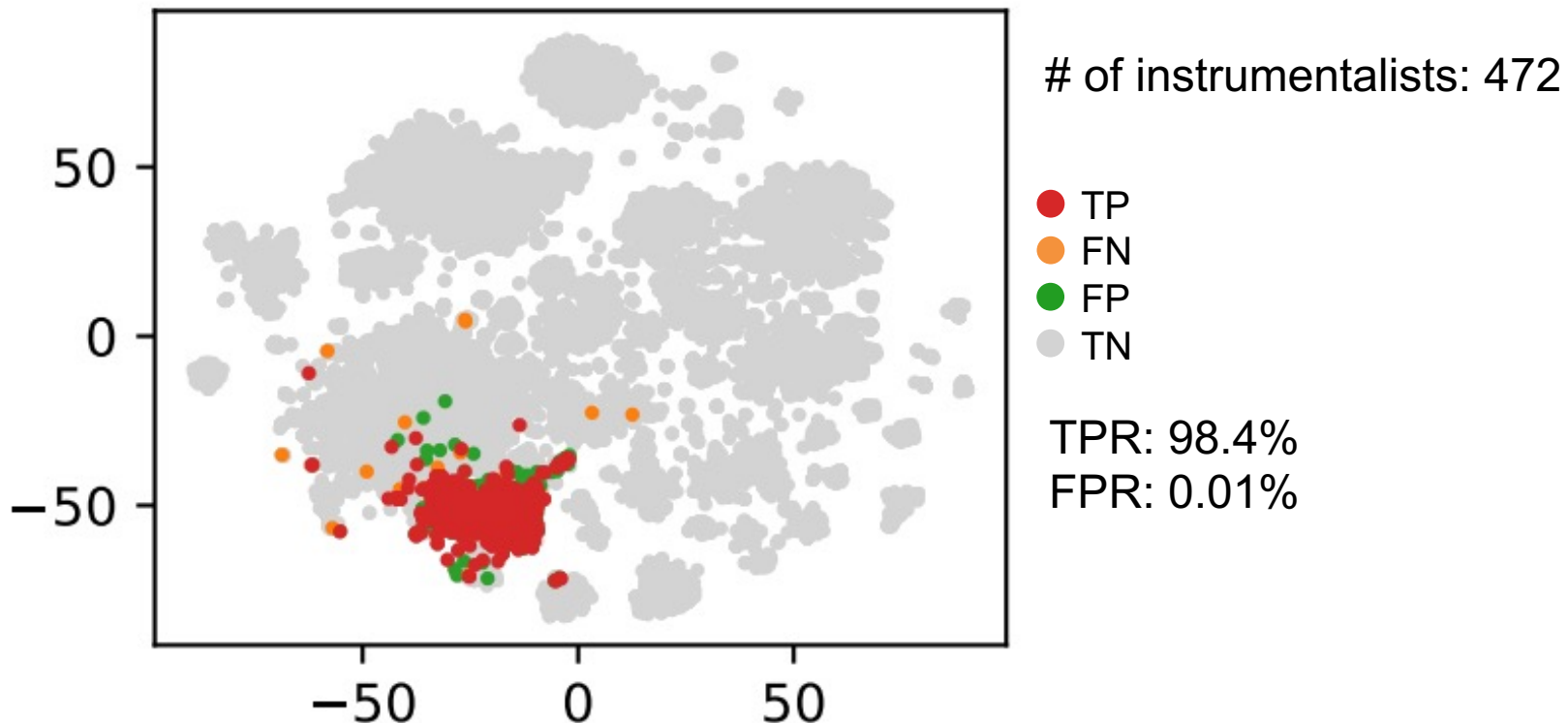
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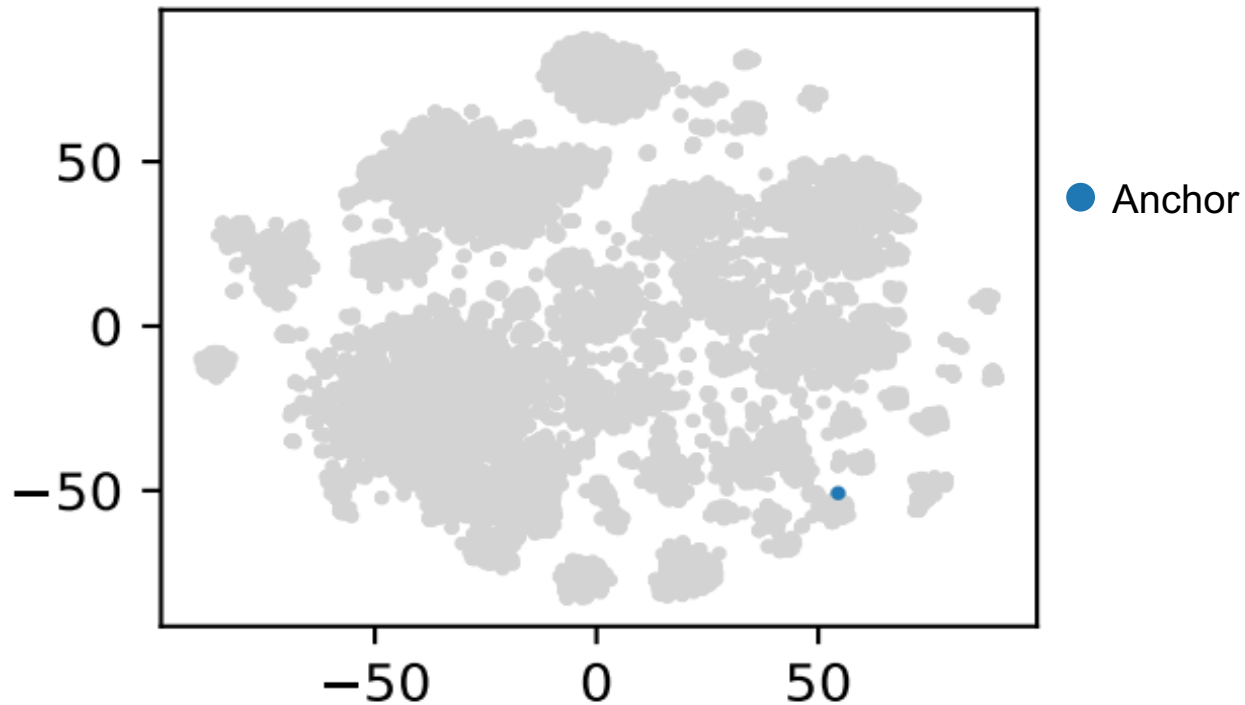
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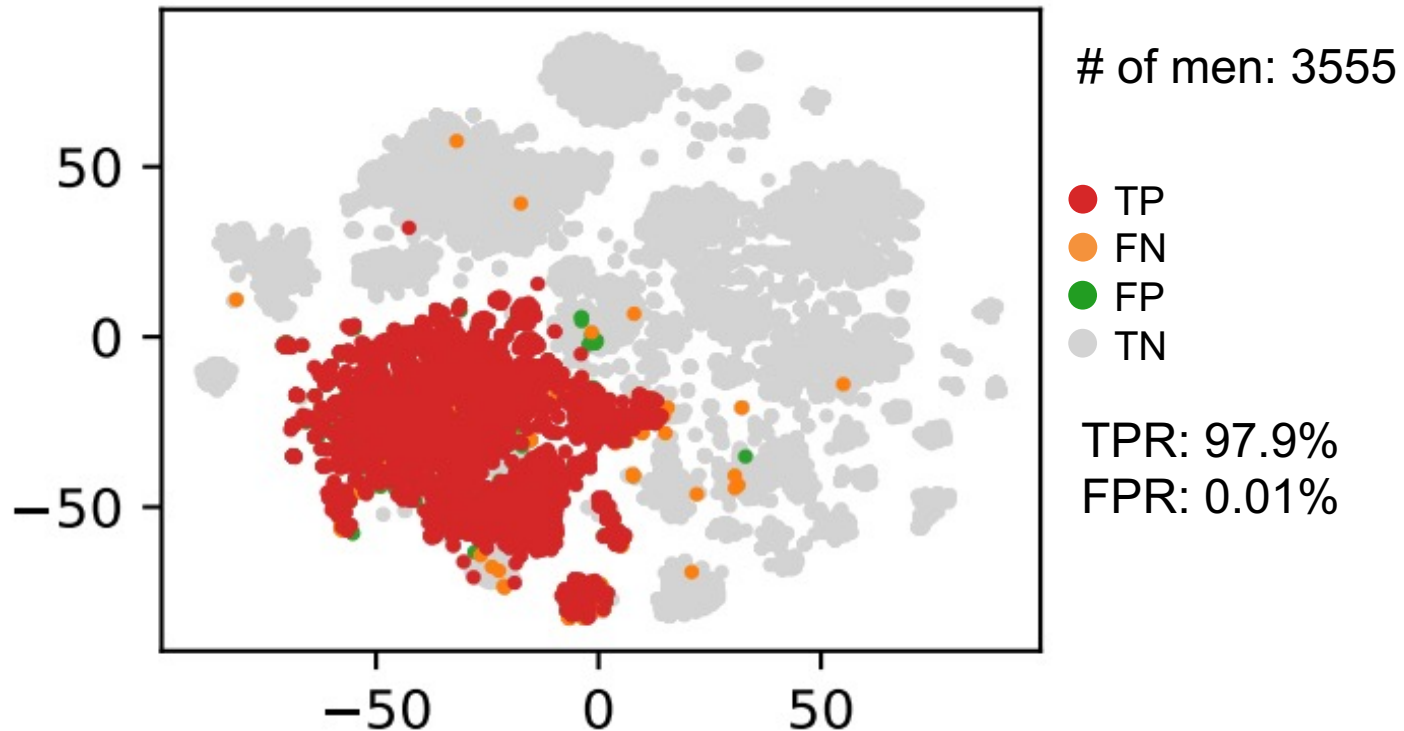
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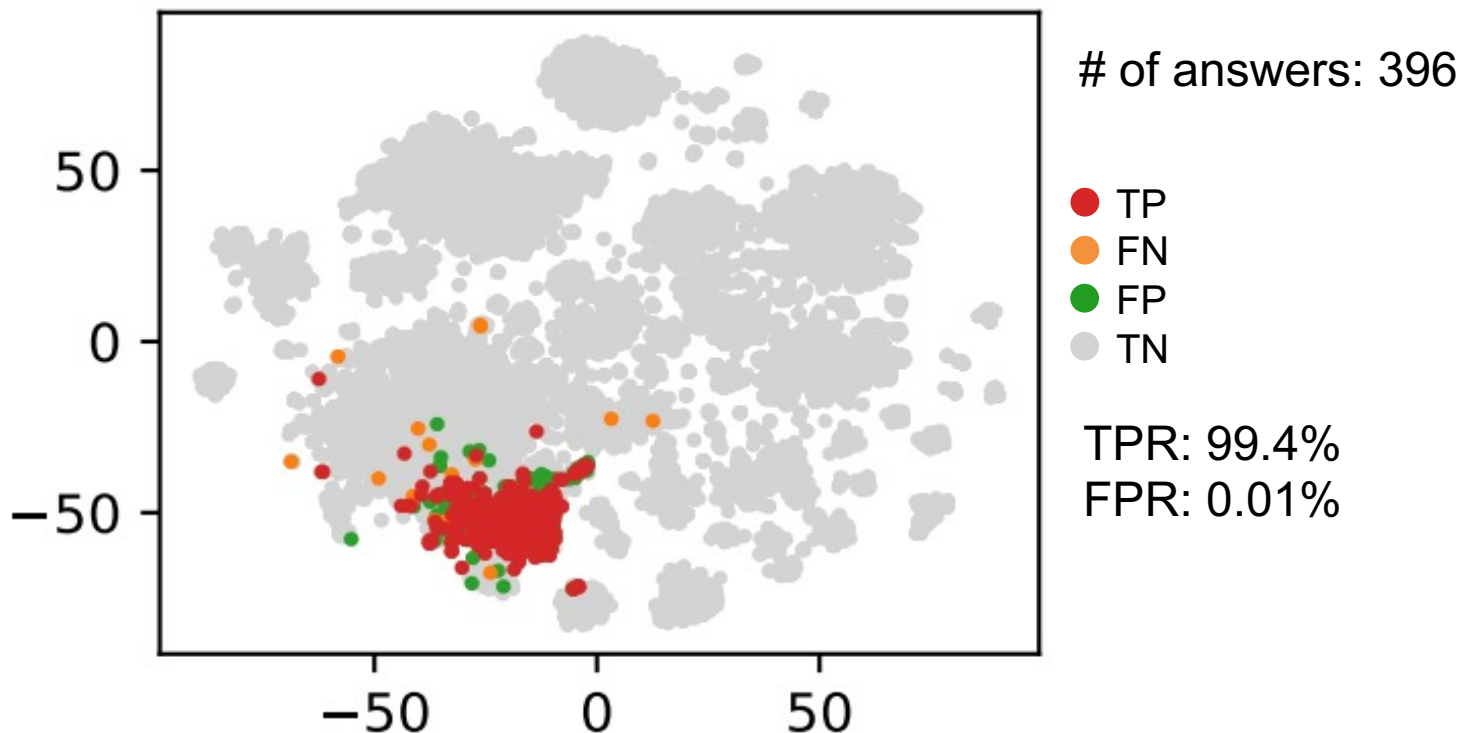
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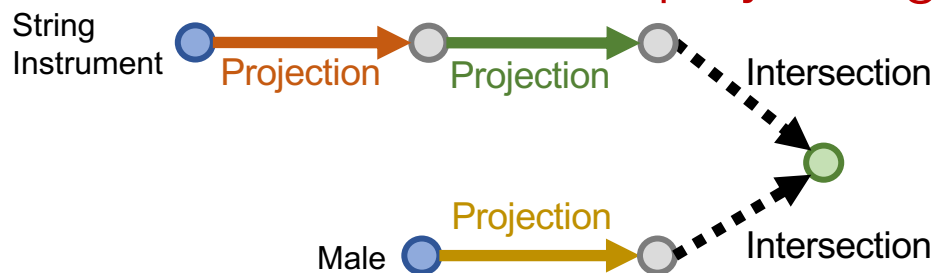
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Summary

- 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