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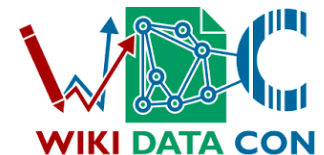
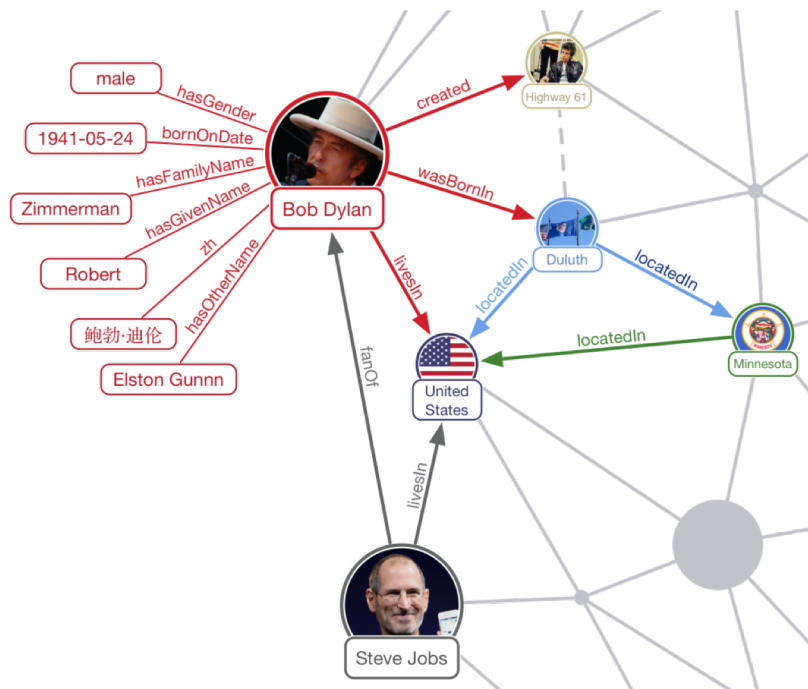
# Neural, Symbolic and Neural-Symbolic Reasoning on Knowledge Graphs

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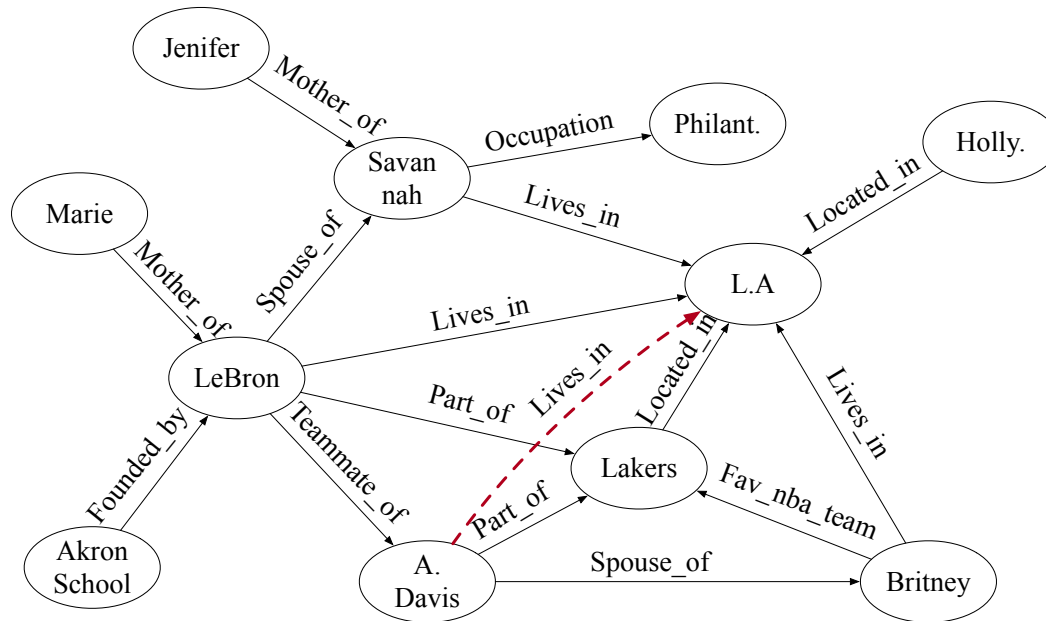
# Knowledge Graphs

- A set of facts represented as triplets
  - (head entity, relation, tail entity)



# Knowledge Graph Reasoning

- Knowledge graph reasoning
  - Deduce tails entities over KGs as the answers to the given query
- A query can be
  - A head entity and a relation (KGC), A natural language question (KGQA)



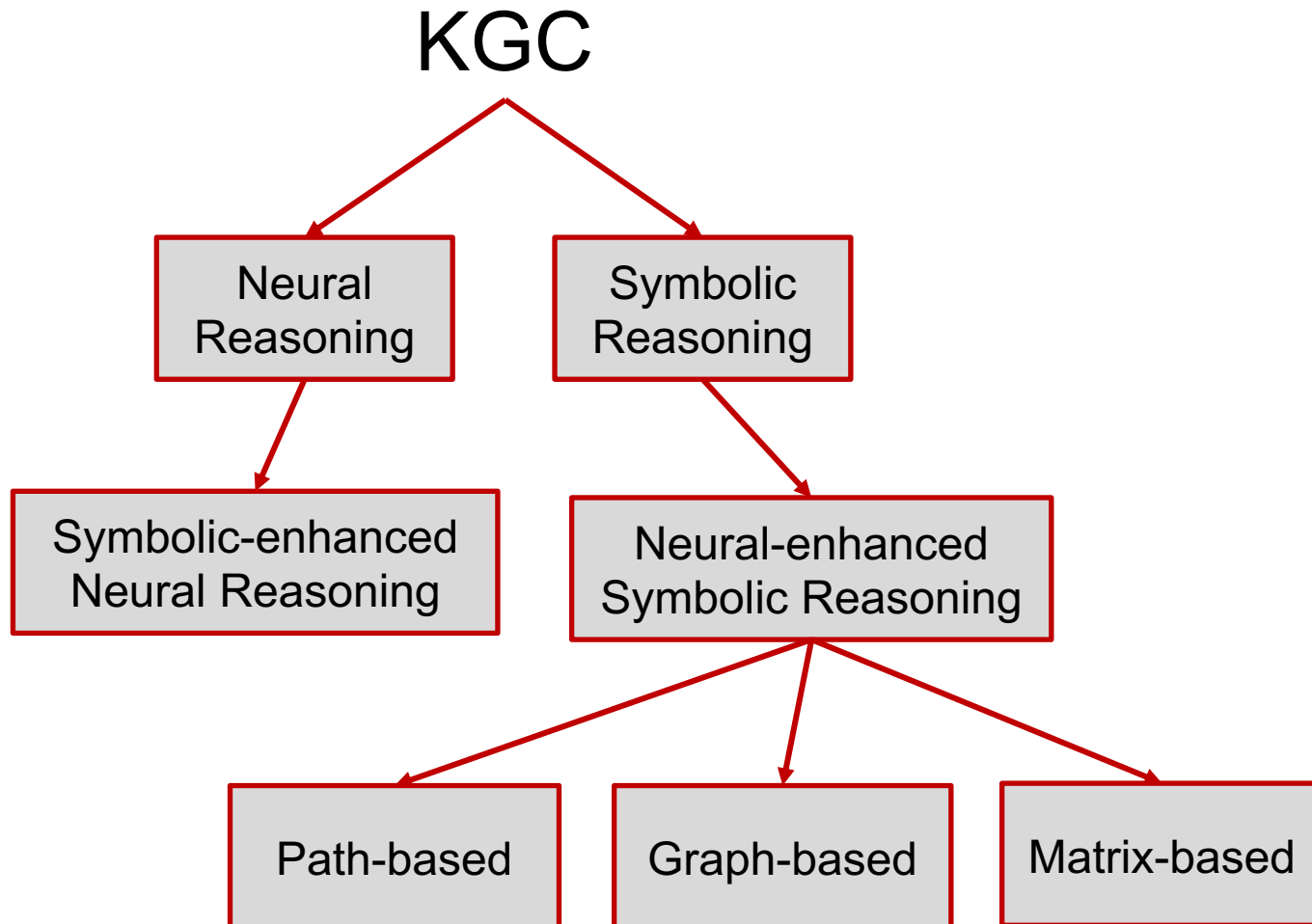
An example of knowledge graph completion:

Query relation: Lives\_in, head entity: A. Davis,  
Reasoning result: L.A

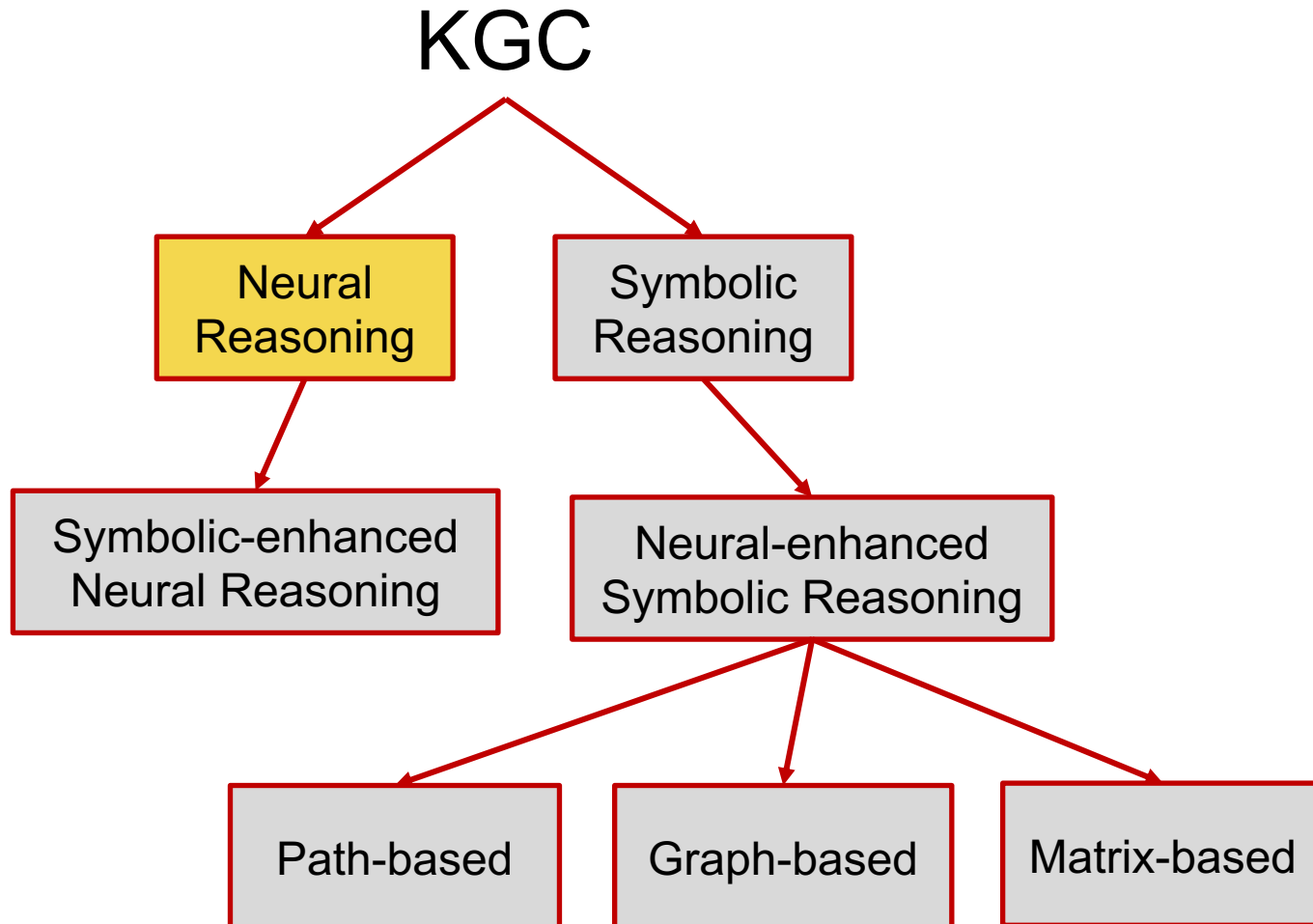
An example of knowledge graph question answering:

Question: Where do the spouses of the teammates of Lakers usually live?  
Reasoning result: L.A

# Knowledge Graph Completion



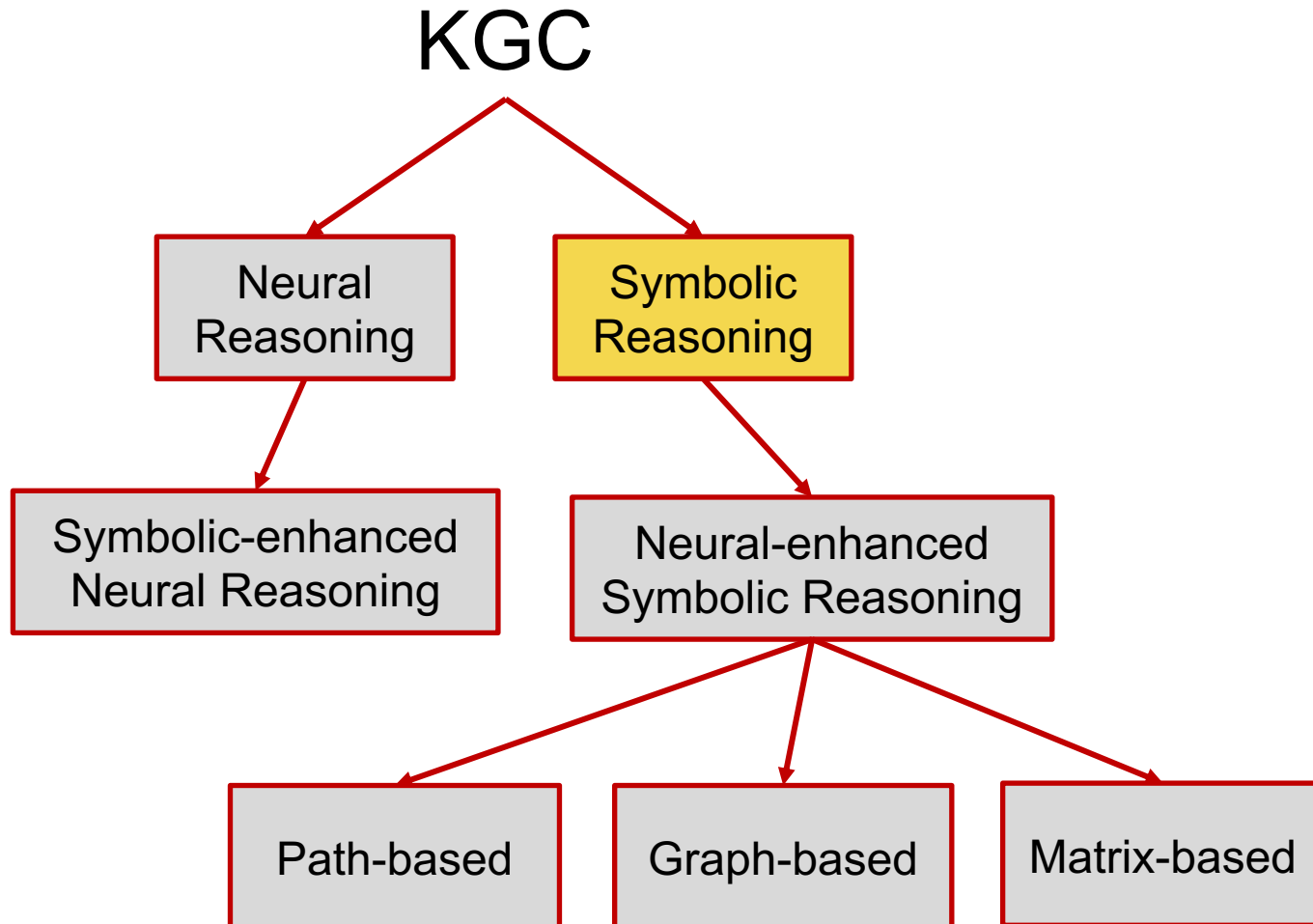
# Knowledge Graph Completion



# Neural Reasoning

- Learn distributed embeddings for entities/relations
  - Translation-based models
$$s(h, r, t) = \|\mathbf{h} + \mathbf{r} - \mathbf{t}\|_2^2$$
    - TransE, TransR, TransP....
  - Multiplicative models
$$s(h, r, t) = \mathbf{h}^T \mathbf{M}_r \mathbf{t}$$
    - RESCAL, DisMult, ComplEx
  - Deep models
    - CNN: ConvE(h,r), ConvR(r-cnn), ConvKG(h,r,t)
    - RNN: RSN
    - GNN: R-GCN(r->W<sub>r</sub>), CompGCN(r and W)
- Good generalization, but ineffective for complex logic relations, lack interpretation

# Knowledge Graph Completion



# Symbolic Reasoning

- Inductive logic programming (ILP)

- Derive a set of if-then logic rules to describe the positive instances but not the negative instances

Rule:  $\gamma : A(\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_m) \rightarrow \alpha$

Atom:  $\alpha \equiv P_i(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)$

Ground atom: all the variables are instantiated by constants

A triplet (h, r, t) can be viewed as a ground atom r(h,t)

Example:

Predicate set:  $\mathcal{P} = \{\text{zero}, \text{succ}\}$

Ground atoms:  $\mathcal{G} = \{\text{zero}(0), \text{succ}(0, 1), \text{succ}(1, 2), \dots\}$

Positive/negative instances:  $\mathcal{S} = \{\text{even}(0), \text{even}(2), \text{even}(4), \dots\}$

Solution of rules for the even predicate:  $\mathcal{N} = \{\text{even}(1), \text{even}(3), \text{even}(5), \dots\}$

$\text{even}(X) \leftarrow \text{zero}(X),$   
 $\text{even}(X) \leftarrow \text{even}(Y) \wedge \text{succ2}(Y, X),$   
 $\text{succ2}(X, Y) \leftarrow \text{succ}(X, Z) \wedge \text{succ}(Z, Y)$



# AMIE (Galárraga et al., 2013)

- Rule Extending

- Generate candidate rules by adding three kinds of new atoms into existing rules iteratively

Rule:  $r_h(x, y) \leftarrow r_1(x, z_1) \wedge \dots \wedge r_n(z_{n-1}, y)$

Dangling atom:  $r^D(x, k), r^D(k, y), \dots$

Instantiated atom:  $r^I(x, K), r^I(K, y), \dots$

Closing atom:  $r^C(x, z), r^C(z, y), \dots$

- Rule Pruning

- Recall:

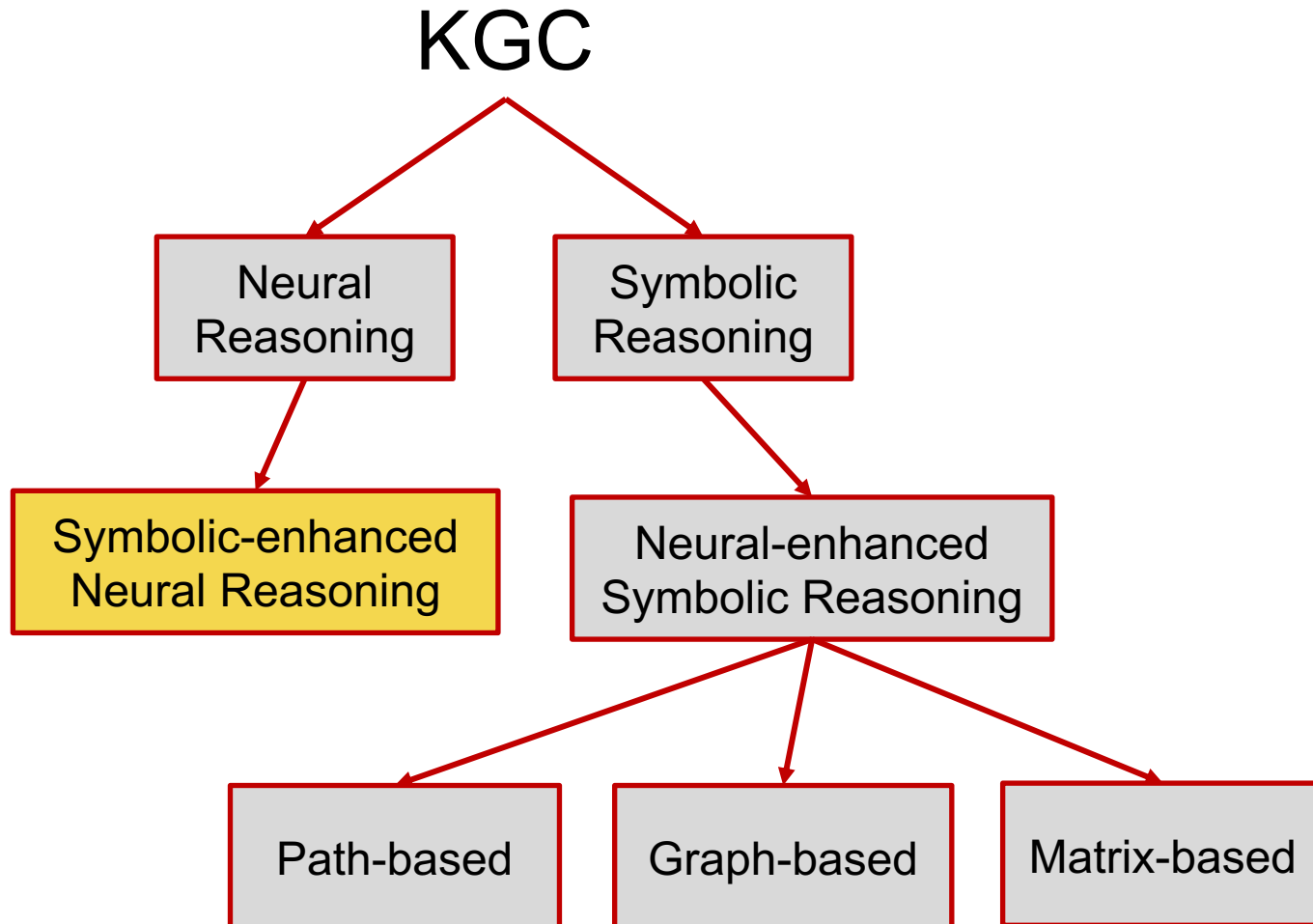
- If a rule  $r \leftarrow B$  can cover more triplets with  $r$ , the head coverage of the rule will be high

- Precision:

- If more triplets derived by a rule  $r \leftarrow B$  satisfy  $r$ , the confidence of the rule will be high

- Good interpretation, but intolerant to the ambiguous and noisy data.

# Knowledge Graph Completion



# Symbolic-enhanced Neural Reasoning

- Extend the training set for embeddings
- KALE (Guo et al, 2016)

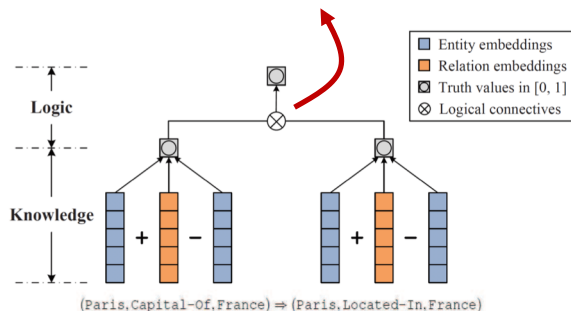
Inference and transitivity rules:

- Deal with two types of rules
- Score a ground rule

$$\forall x, y : (x, r_s, y) \Rightarrow (x, r_t, y).$$

$$\forall x, y, z : (x, r_{s_1}, y) \wedge (y, r_{s_2}, z) \Rightarrow (x, r_t, z).$$

$$s(f_1 \Rightarrow f_2) = s(f_1)s(f_2) - s(f_1) + 1$$



$$s(f_1 \wedge f_2) = s(f_1) \cdot s(f_2),$$

$$s(f_1 \vee f_2) = s(f_1) + s(f_2) - s(f_1) \cdot s(f_2).$$

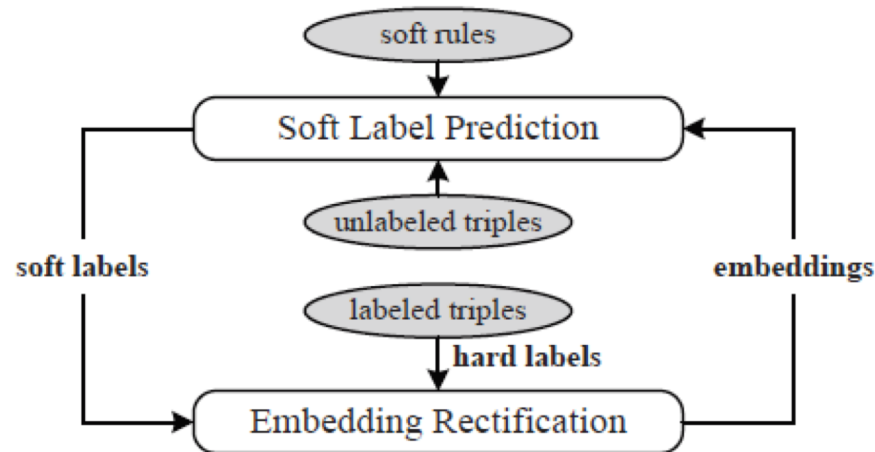
$$s(\neg f_1) = 1 - s(f_1).$$

- Combine the triplets and the ground rules as the training set

$$\min_{\{\mathbf{e}\}, \{\mathbf{r}\}} \sum_{f^+ \in \mathcal{F}} \sum_{f^- \in \mathcal{N}_{f^+}} [\gamma - I(f^+) + I(f^-)]_+$$

# Symbolic-enhanced Neural Reasoning

- RUGE (Guo et al., 2018)
  - Inject the new triplets derived by some rules instead of the ground rules into the training set
  - Iteratively update entity/relation embeddings and label the new triplets derived by the rules



# Symbolic-enhanced Neural Reasoning

- Wang et al., 2019
  - Avoid calculating the scores of triplets independently
  - First transform a ground rule into first-order logic, and then perform matrix operations

TABLE 1

The format of first-order logic [127]. For example, the third line defines the transitivity rule  $(r_1 + r_2) \Rightarrow r_3$ , following which we can infer a new triple  $(e_1, r_3, e_3)$  from two existing triplets  $(e_1, r_1, e_2)$  and  $(e_2, r_2, e_3)$ .

| Triple and ground rule  | The format of first-order logic  |
|---|--|
| $(h, r, t)$   | $r(h) \Rightarrow t$   |
| $(h, r_1, t) \Rightarrow (h, r_2, t)$                           | $[(h \in C) \wedge [r_1(h) \Rightarrow t]] \Rightarrow [r_2(h) \Rightarrow t]$   |
| $(e_1, r_1, e_2) + (e_2, r_2, e_3) \Rightarrow (e_1, r_3, e_3)$ | $[[r_1(e_1) \Rightarrow e_2] \wedge [r_2(e_2) \Rightarrow e_3]] \Rightarrow [r_3(e_1) \Rightarrow e_3]$                          |
| $(h, r_1, t) \Leftrightarrow (t, r_2, h)$                       | $[[r_1(h) \Rightarrow t] \Rightarrow [r_2(t) \Rightarrow h]] \wedge [[r_2(t) \Rightarrow h] \Rightarrow [r_1(h) \Rightarrow t]]$ |

TABLE 2

Mathematical expression of first-order logic [127].

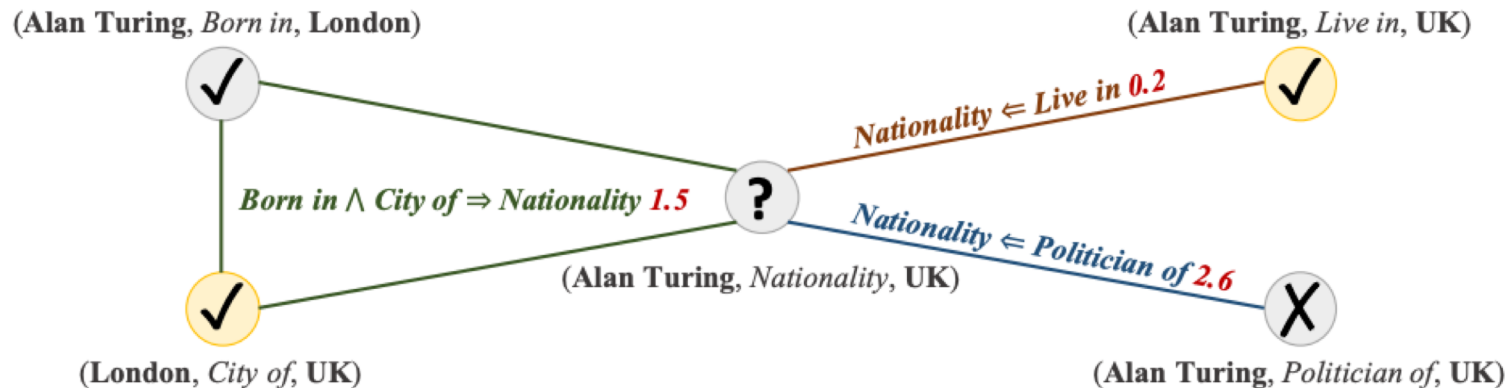
| First-order logic     | Mathematical expression                                       |
|-----------------------|---|
| $r(h)$                | $\mathbf{r} + \mathbf{h}$                                     |
| $a \Rightarrow b$     | $\mathbf{a} - \mathbf{b}$                                     |
| $h \in C$             | $\mathbf{h} \cdot \mathbf{C}$ ( $\mathbf{C}$ is a matrix)     |
| $a \wedge b$          | $\mathbf{a} \otimes \mathbf{b}$                               |
| $a \Leftrightarrow b$ | $(\mathbf{a} - \mathbf{b}) \otimes (\mathbf{a} - \mathbf{b})$ |

- Lack interpretation

# Symbolic-enhanced Neural Reasoning

Multiple rule inference together. pLogicNet (Qu et al, 2019)

## Markov logic network



A node is built for each grounding atom

An edge is built between two nodes if they are in the same rule

All the nodes in a ground rule form a clique

$$p(\mathbf{v}_O, \mathbf{v}_H) = \frac{1}{Z} \exp \left( \sum_{l \in L} w_l \sum_{g \in G_l} \mathbb{1}\{g \text{ is true}\} \right) = \frac{1}{Z} \exp \left( \sum_{l \in L} w_l u_l(\mathbf{v}_O, \mathbf{v}_H) \right)$$

#true groundings of rule l

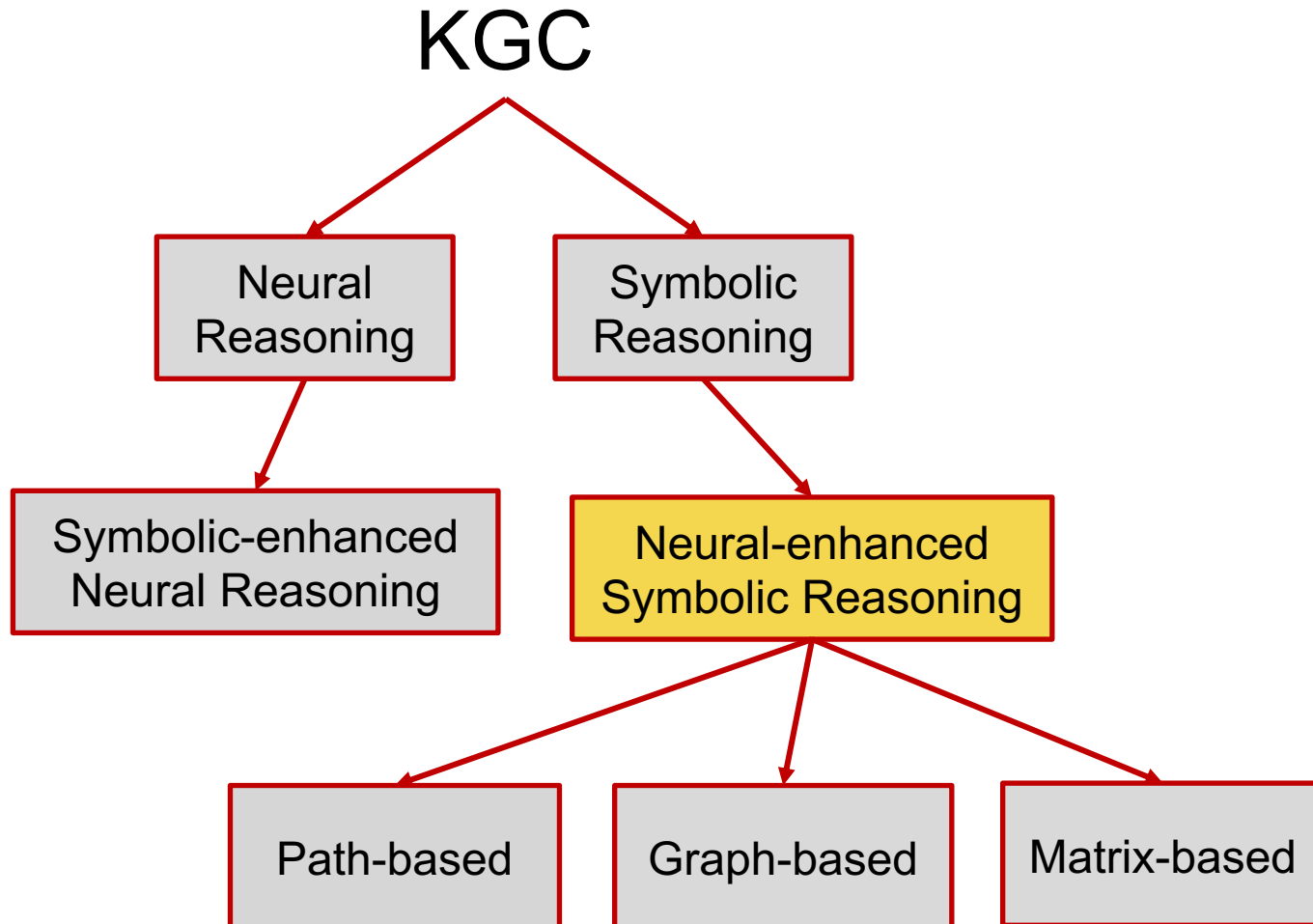
Learn the corresponding weights

Infer the label of a ground atom

# Symbolic-enhanced Probabilistic Reasoning

- pLogicNet (Qu et al, 2019)
  - Combine MLN and graph embeddings
    - Use logic rules to predict the label of the ground atom, treat it as extra training data from KGE model.
    - Annotate all the hidden labels with the KGE model, and then update the weights of rules.
- The logic network is large, making the inference inefficient; can not learn new rules.

# Knowledge Graph Completion





# Neural-driven Symbolic Reasoning

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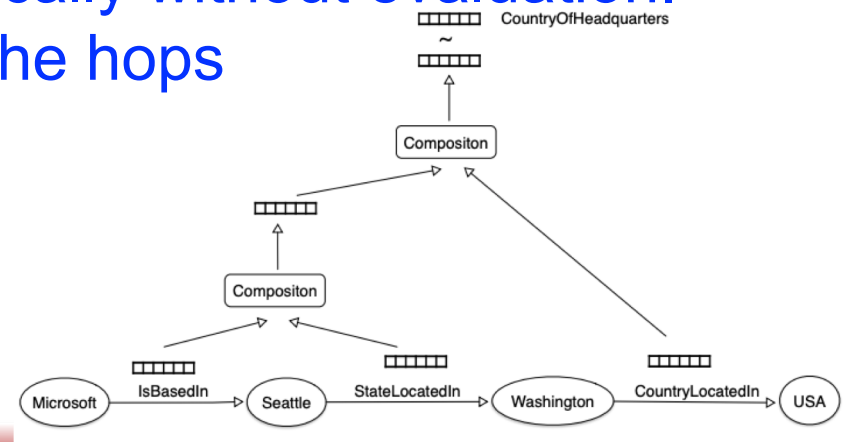
- To derive the logic rules
  - Extend multi-hop neighbors around the head entity, and then predict the answers in these neighbors
  - NN is to deal with the uncertainty and ambiguity, and also reduce the search space.

# Path-based Reasoning

- Extend only one neighbor at each step
- PRA (Lao et al, 2011)
  - Given  $h$  and  $t$ , enumerate all the paths
  - Calculate  $S_p(h,t)$  of different paths as features to train a classifier for each relation
  - Poor generalization, cannot deal with unobserved relations

# Path-based Reasoning (Cont.)

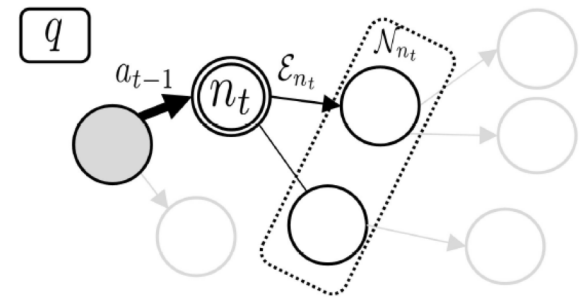
- Neelakantan et al., 2015
  - Use RNN to compose the semantics of relations in an arbitrary-length path
  - Compare the embeddings between a path and the query relation
  - Improve the generalization, can deal with unobserved relations
  - Paths are traversed heuristically without evaluation. Path space increases with the hops



# Path-based Reasoning (Cont.)

- DeepPath (Xiong et al., 2017)

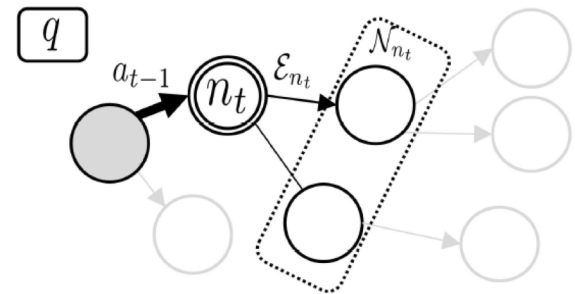
- Reinforcement learning
- To evaluate a path
- MDP



- Agent: sample a relation at each hop
- State: current entity, target entity
- Reward: accuracy, length and diversity
- Rules can be abstracted from the sampled paths (AnyBURL)
- Tail entity should be given

# Path-based Reasoning (Cont.)

- MINERVA(Das et al., 2018)
  - Reinforcement learning
  - To find the answer
  - MDP
    - State: query relation, historical path
    - Reward: accuracy
  - Soft reward, dropout actions (Multi-Hop)
  - Value-based RL (M-walk)
  - Model path as hidden variables (DIVA, RNNLogic)



# Graph-based Reasoning

- Extend multiple neighbors at each step
  - FeedForward GNN
    - CogGraph (Du et al, 2020)
      - Limit neighbors at each step by a policy function
  - Source-specific GNN
    - NBFNet (Zhu et al., 2021)
      - Initialize the target relation and then perform GNN
  - Subgraph-specific GNN
    - Grall(Teru et al., 2020)
      - Given  $h$  and  $t$ , extract a subgraph ( $k$ -hop neighbors), use R-GCN to represent the subgraph

# Matrix-based Reasoning

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- Avoid selecting neighbors, but calculate a score to each neighbor.
- Express the logic relationships between the head and the tail entities by matrix operations.

# Matrix-based Reasoning

- TensorLog (Cohen et al., 2016)
  - Given a head entity  $x$ , the score of each retrieved answer is:

$$\mathbf{s} = \sum_{\gamma} \underbrace{\left( \alpha_{\gamma} \left( \prod_{k \in \beta_{\gamma}} \mathbf{M}_{R_k} \mathbf{v}_x \right) \right)}$$

The score of the query relation following different rules

$$\begin{aligned} \max_{\{\alpha_{\gamma}, \beta_{\gamma}\}} \sum_{x,y} \text{score}(y|x) = \\ \max_{\{\alpha_{\gamma}, \beta_{\gamma}\}} \sum_{x,y} \mathbf{v}_y^T \left( \sum_{\gamma} \alpha_{\gamma} \left( \prod_{k \in \beta_{\gamma}} \mathbf{M}_{R_k} \mathbf{v}_x \right) \right) \end{aligned}$$

- learning parameters is difficult as each rule is associated with a parameter. Enumerating rules is an discrete task



# Matrix-based Reasoning (Cont.)

- Neural LP (Yang et al, 2017)
  - Interchanges the summation and the product
  - Change the weight of each rule into the weights of the predicates in the rule

$$\prod_{t=1}^T \sum_k^{|R|} a_t^k \mathbf{M}_{R_k}$$

Model the length dynamically

$$\mathbf{u}_0 = \mathbf{v}_x \quad \text{Softly combine next-hop relation}$$

$$\mathbf{u}_t = \sum_k^{|R|} a_t^k \mathbf{M}_{R_k} \left( \sum_{\tau=0}^{t-1} b_t^\tau \mathbf{u}_\tau \right) \quad \text{for } 1 \leq t \leq T$$

Historical path

$$\mathbf{u}_{T+1} = \sum_{\tau=0}^T b_{T+1}^\tau \mathbf{u}_\tau$$

$$\mathbf{h}_t = \text{update}(\mathbf{h}_{t-1}, \text{input})$$

$$\mathbf{a}_t = \text{softmax}(W\mathbf{h}_t + b)$$

$$\mathbf{b}_t = \text{softmax}([\mathbf{h}_0, \dots, \mathbf{h}_{t-1}]^T \mathbf{h}_t)$$

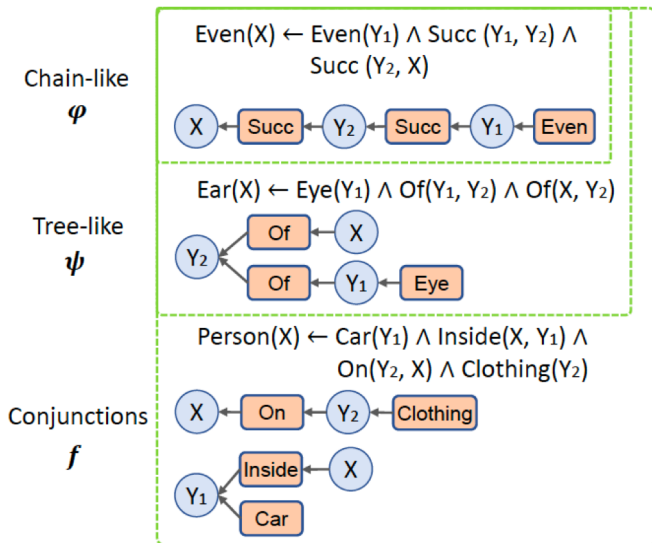
Learn attentions by RNN

Fail to infer tree-like, conjunctions of rules

Weighted average of the paths with different lengths

# Matrix-based Reasoning (Cont.)

- Neural Logic Inductive Learning (Yang et al., 2020)



$$\psi_k(x, y) = \begin{cases} \sigma((\mathbf{M}_k \mathbf{1})^T (\prod_{t'=1}^{T'} \mathbf{M}^{(t')} \mathbf{v}_y)) & \text{if } k \in \mathcal{U}, \\ \sigma((\prod_{t=1}^T \mathbf{M}^{(t)} \mathbf{v}_x)^T (\prod_{t'=1}^{T'} \mathbf{M}^{(t')} \mathbf{v}_y)) & \text{if } k \in \mathcal{B}, \end{cases}$$

Replace  $\mathbf{v}_y$  with another relation path. Thus it can represent the tree-like rules

$$\sum_{x,y} \mathbf{v}_y^T \left( \sum_{\gamma} \alpha_{\gamma} \left( \prod_{k \in \beta_{\gamma}} \mathbf{M}_{R_k} \mathbf{v}_x \right) \right)$$

Logic combination of primitive statements via  $\{\wedge, \vee, \neg\}$

$$\mathcal{F}_0 = \Psi,$$

$$\hat{\mathcal{F}}_{l-1} = \mathcal{F}_{l-1} \cup \{1 - f(x, x') : f \in \mathcal{F}_{l-1}\},$$

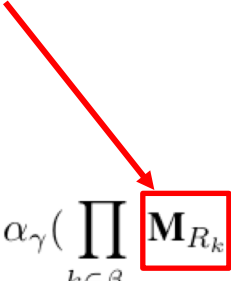
$$\mathcal{F}_l = \{f_i(x, x') * f'_i(x, x') : f_i, f'_i \in \hat{\mathcal{F}}_{l-1}\}_{i=1}^C$$

Three stacked transformers are to learn attentions

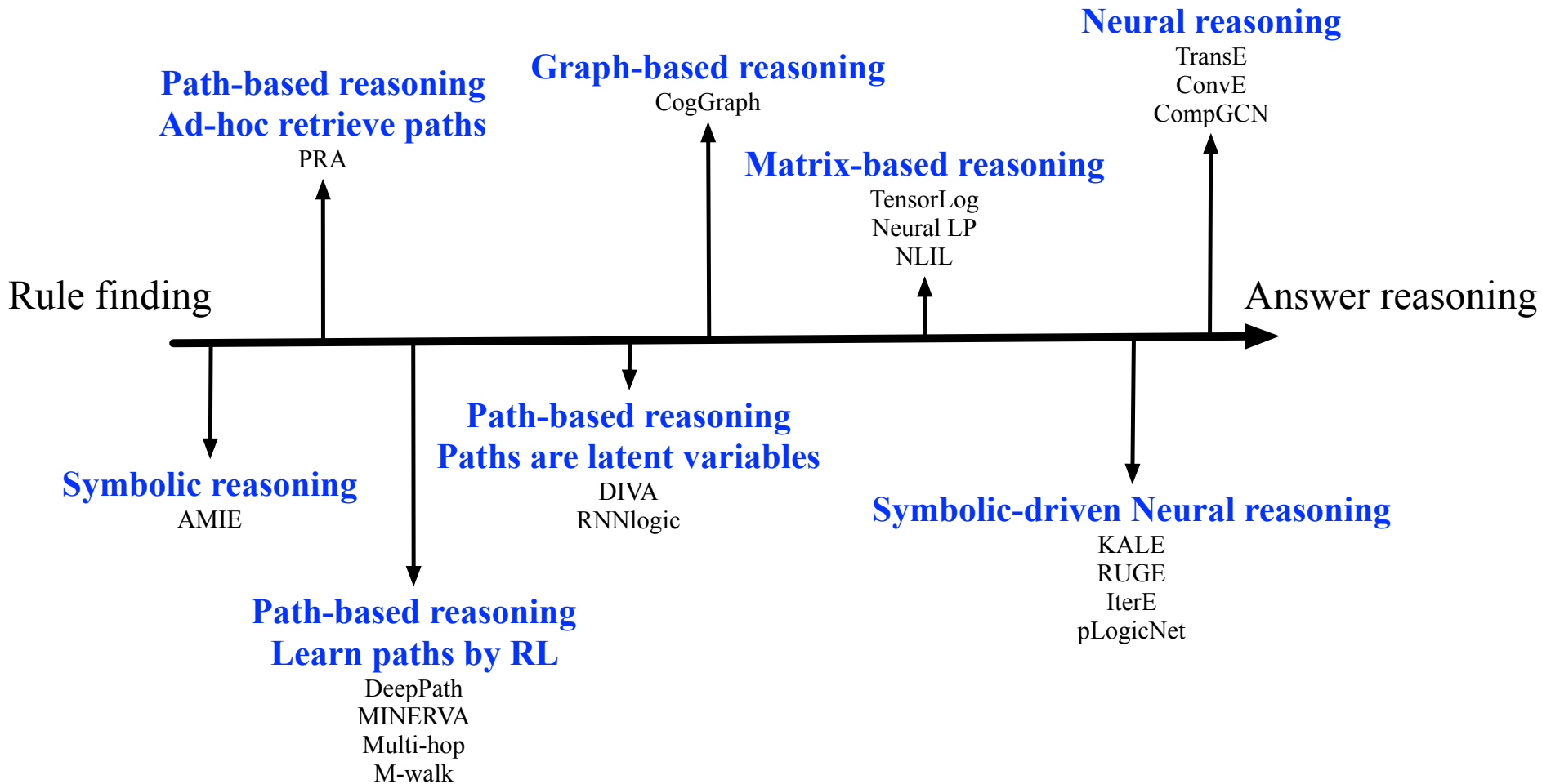
# Matrix-based Reasoning (Cont.)

- Neural-Num-LP (Wang et al, 2020)
  - Extends Neural LP to learn the numerical rules
  - Support the comparison operator

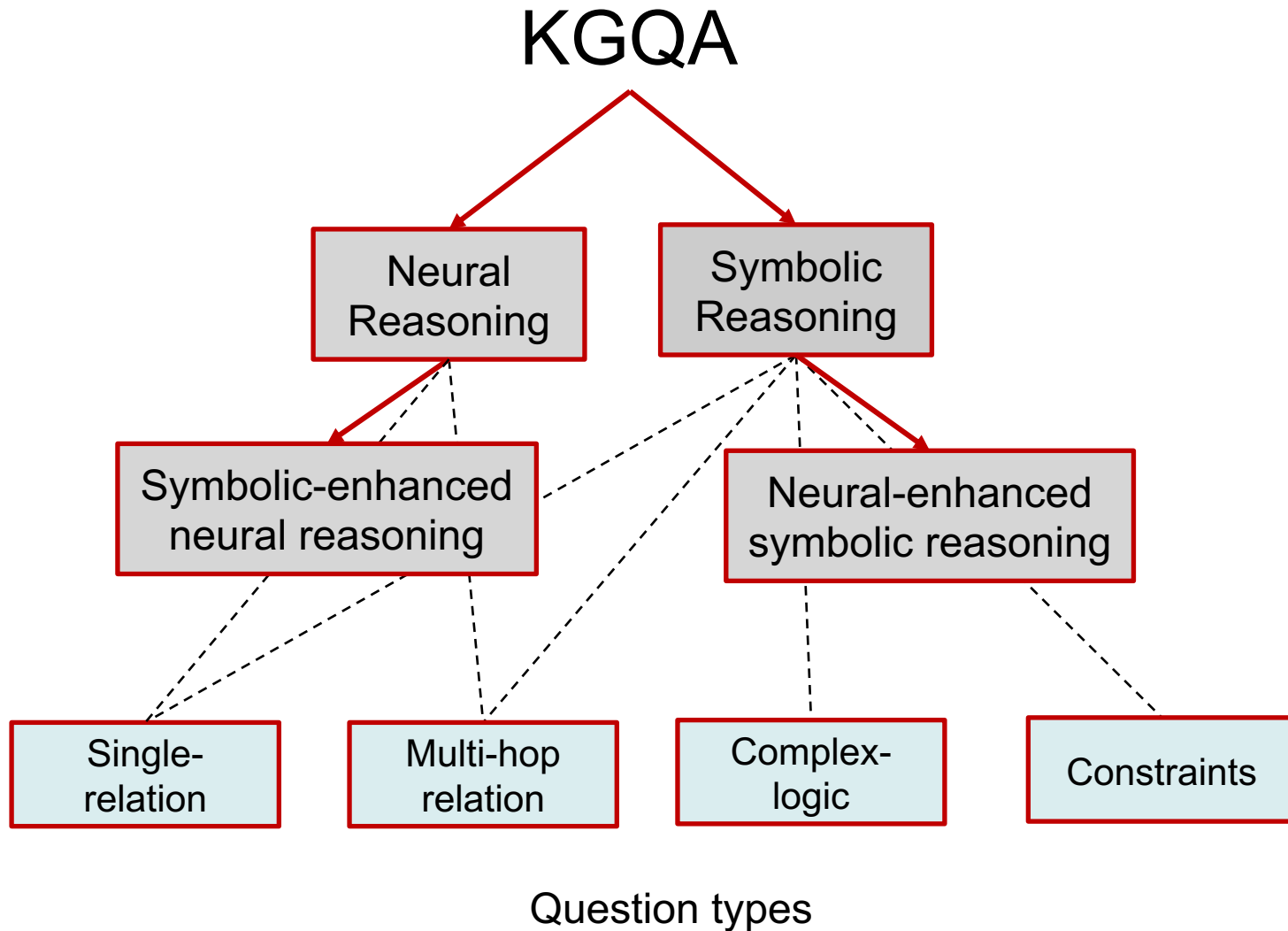
$$(M_{r_{\overline{pq}}})_{ij} = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } p_i \leq q_j, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases}$$

$$\sum_{x,y} \mathbf{v}_y^T \left( \sum_{\gamma} \alpha_{\gamma} \left( \prod_{k \in \beta_{\gamma}} \mathbf{M}_{R_k} \mathbf{v}_x \right) \right)$$


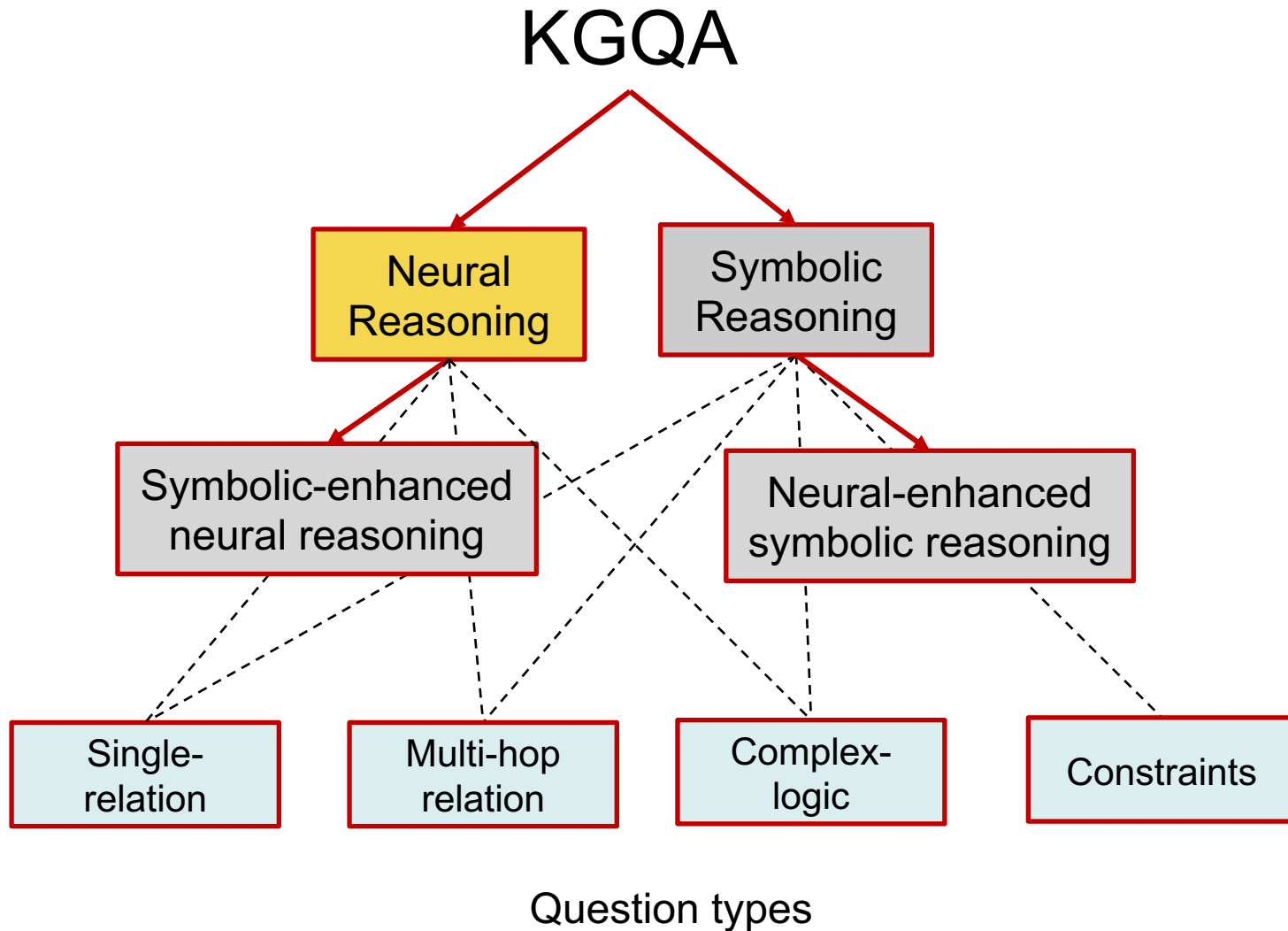
# Summary of KGC



# Knowledge Graph Question Answering

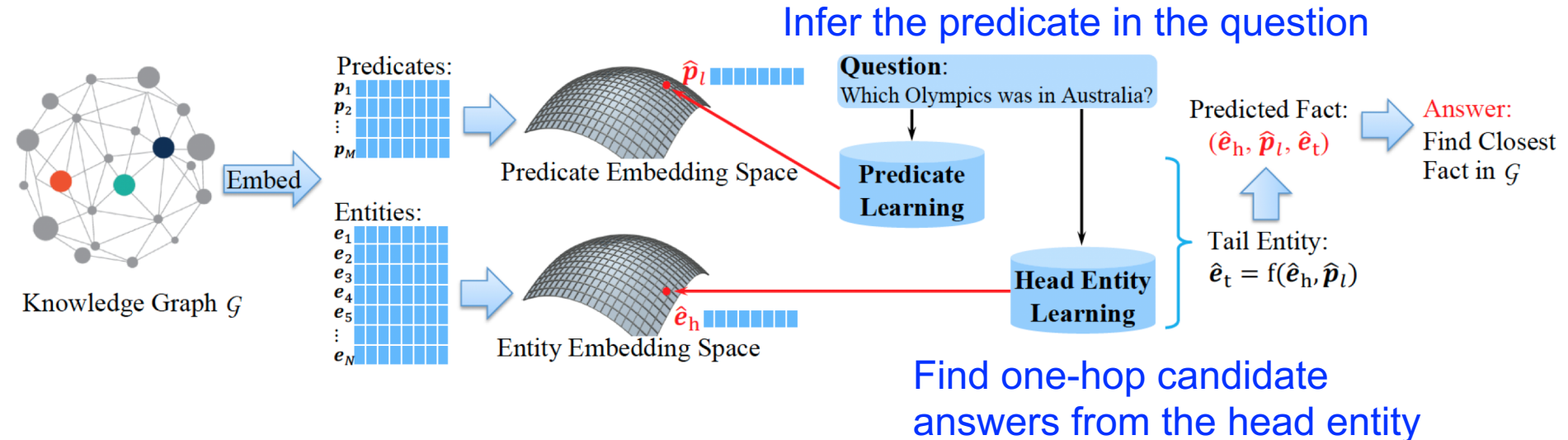


# Knowledge Graph Question Answering



# Neural Reasoning for Single-Relation

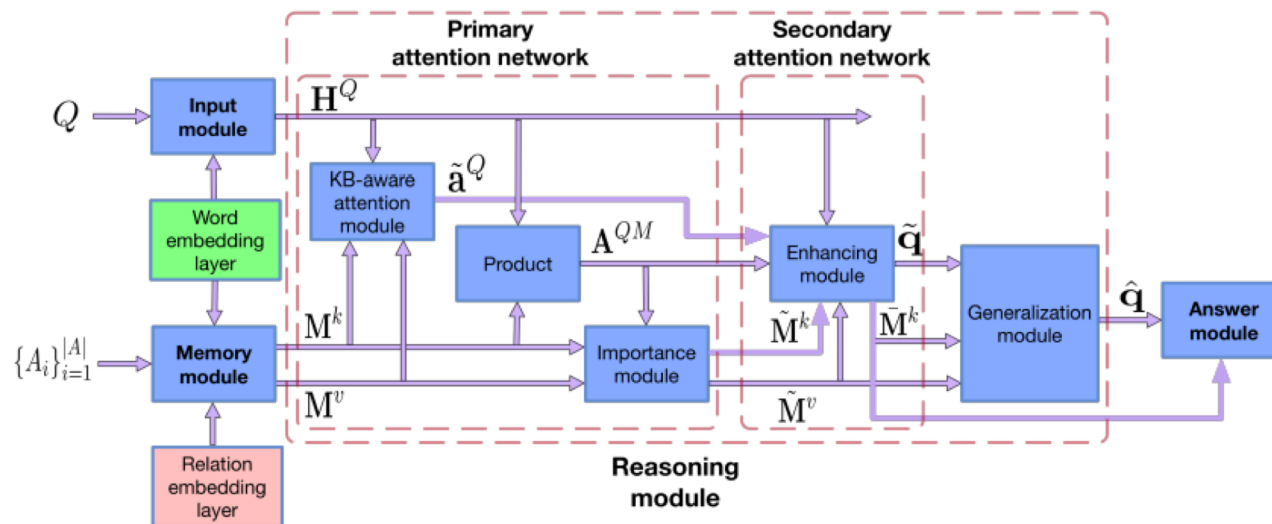
- KEQA (Huang et al. 2019)
  - Embed both the triplets and the question



Key idea: bridge the gap between the natural language expressions and the KB's predicates.

# Neural Reasoning for Multi-hop Relation

- BAMnet (Chen et al. 2019)
  - Capture interactions between question and KB
  - Bidirectional Attentive Memory Network

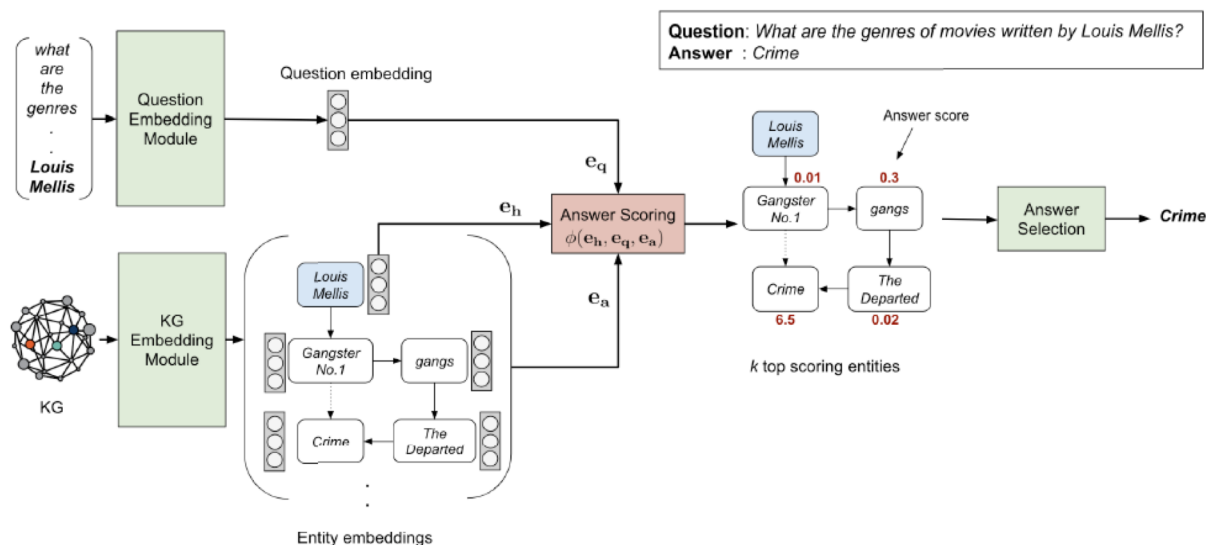


Candidate answers are the entities within  $h$  hops of topic entity.



# Neural Reasoning for Multi-hop Relation

- EmbedKGQA (Saxena et al., 2020)
  - relaxes the requirement of answer selection from a pre-specified local neighborhood



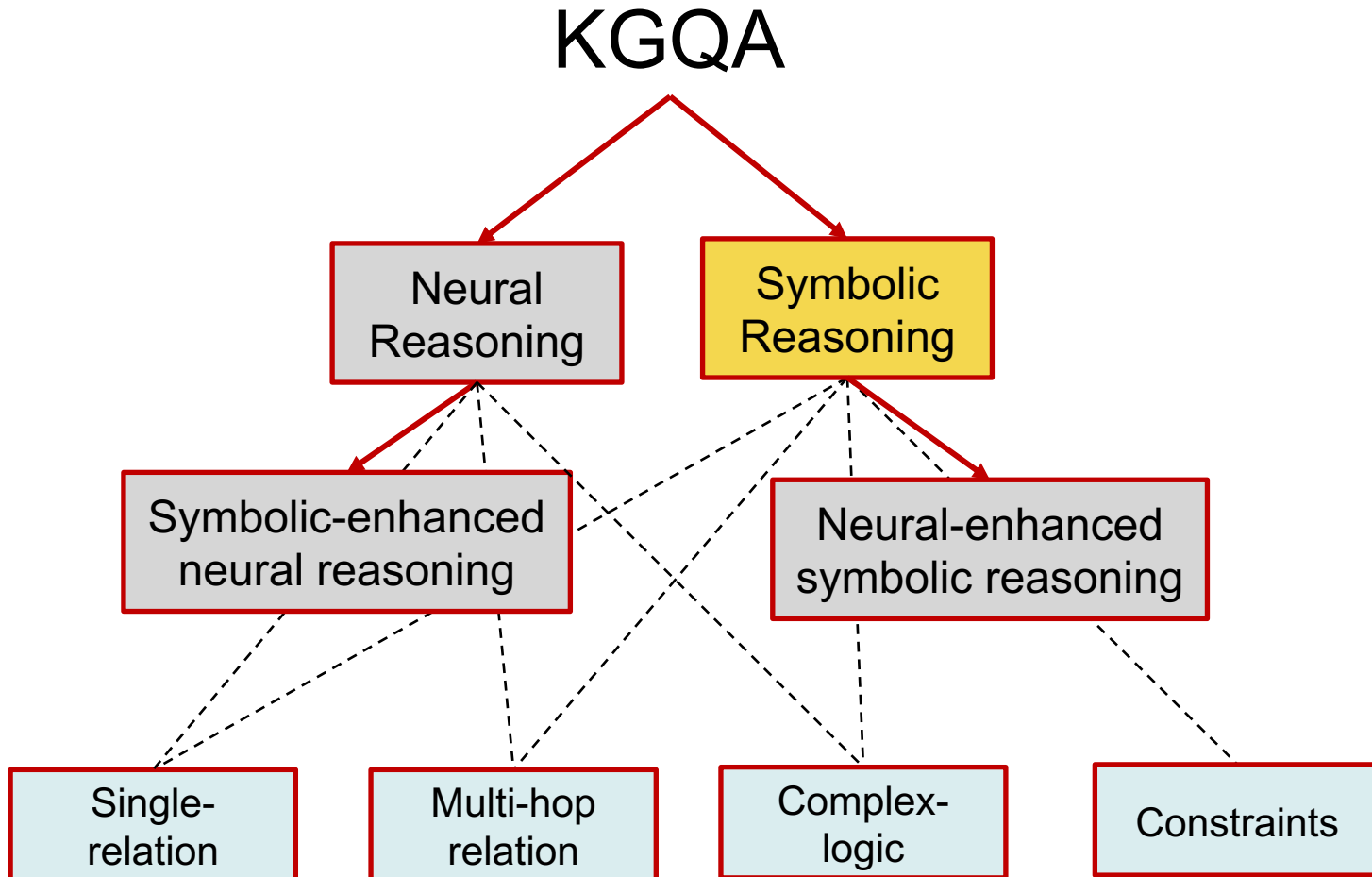
Candidate answers are all the entities in KGs.

# Neural Reasoning for Multi-hop Relation

- KV-MemNNs (Xu et al., 2021)
    - Use question to match key (head + relation)
    - Read value (tail)
    - Update query
- Repeat

Repeated KV match-and-retrieval simulates the multi-hop reasoning process.

# Knowledge Graph Question Answering



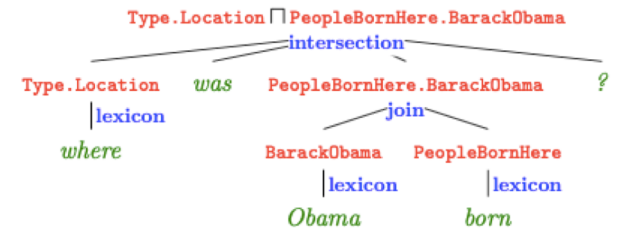
Question types

# Semantic Parsing

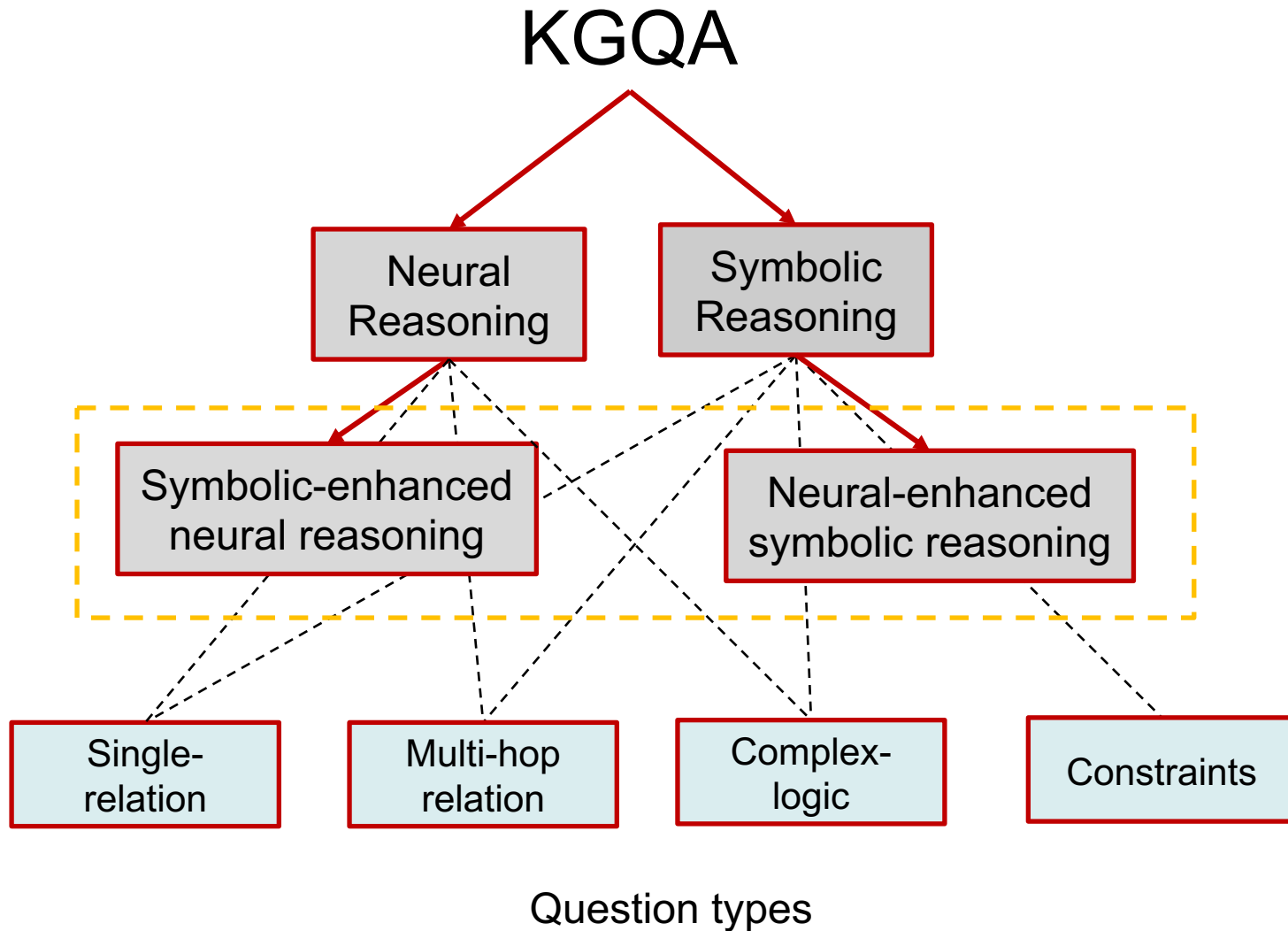
- Parse questions into logic expression, and then **execute** the logic expression to get the answer
- Kwiatkowski et al. 2010
  - Follow CCG to convert questions
  - E.g., x="New York borders Vermont", z="next\_to(ny,vt)"
  - Learn a function f from the training data {(x,z)} to map x to z.

- Berant et al. 2013
  - Follow  $\lambda$ -DCS to convert questions

- Define hand-engineered templates or require ground truth query for supervision



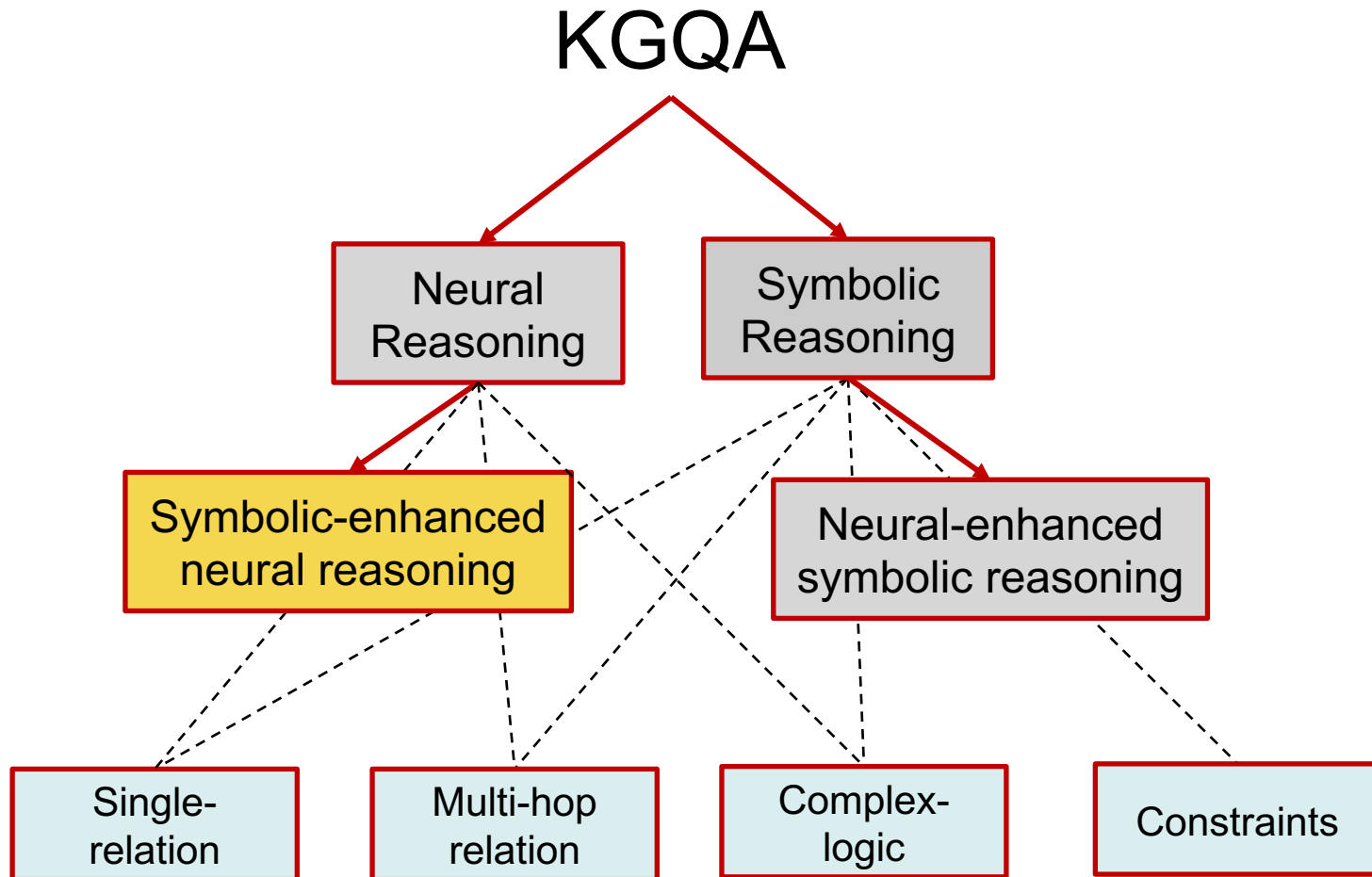
# Knowledge Graph Question Answering



# Neural Symbolic Reasoning

- Symbolic-enhanced neural reasoning
  - Use NN to define the complex logic operation
- Neural-enhanced symbolic reasoning
  - **Parse and execute**: target at parsing the questions, NN is to measure the similarity between the questions and the parsed graphs.
  - **End-to-end**: Parse and reason the answer simultaneously, NN is to measure the similarity and also embed the inferred paths or graphs, based on which the answer can be determined.

# Knowledge Graph Question Answering



# Symbolic-enhanced Neural Reasoning

- Complex-logic question
  - Intersection
- GQE (Hamilton et al., 2018)
  - Start with the embeddings of the topic entities
  - Iteratively apply geometric operations to generate the query embedding.
  - Projection operator  $\mathcal{P}$ 
    - Forward  $\mathcal{P}(\mathbf{q}, \tau) = \mathbf{R}_\tau \mathbf{q}$
  - Intersection operator
    - Intersection  $\mathcal{I}(\{\mathbf{q}_1, \dots, \mathbf{q}_n\}) = \mathbf{W}_\gamma \Psi(\text{NN}_k(\mathbf{q}_i), \forall i = 1, \dots, n)$
  - Embed a question (a set) into a single point



# Neural Reasoning for Complex-logic Question

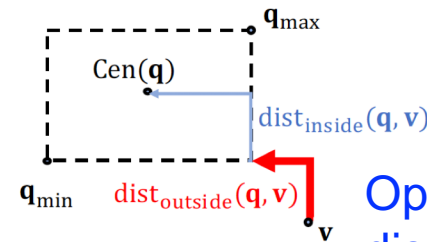
- Complex-logic question
  - Intersection, Union
- Query2Box (Ren et al., 2020)
  - Embed a query as a box

$$\text{Box}_{\mathbf{p}} \equiv \{\mathbf{v} \in \mathbb{R}^d : \text{Cen}(\mathbf{p}) - \text{Off}(\mathbf{p}) \preceq \mathbf{v} \preceq \text{Cen}(\mathbf{p}) + \text{Off}(\mathbf{p})\}$$

- An entity embedding  $\mathbf{v}$  is represented as  $(\mathbf{v}, 0)$
- A relation embedding  $\mathbf{r}$  is represented as  $(\text{cen}(\mathbf{r}), \text{off}(\mathbf{p}))$
- Projection operator
- Intersection operator  $\mathbf{p} + \mathbf{r}$

$$\text{Cen}(\mathbf{p}_{\text{inter}}) = \sum_i \mathbf{a}_i \odot \text{Cen}(\mathbf{p}_i), \quad \mathbf{a}_i = \frac{\exp(\text{MLP}(\mathbf{p}_i))}{\sum_j \exp(\text{MLP}(\mathbf{p}_j))},$$

$$\text{Off}(\mathbf{p}_{\text{inter}}) = \text{Min}(\{\text{Off}(\mathbf{p}_1), \dots, \text{Off}(\mathbf{p}_n)\}) \odot \sigma(\text{DeepSets}(\{\mathbf{p}_1, \dots, \mathbf{p}_n\}))$$



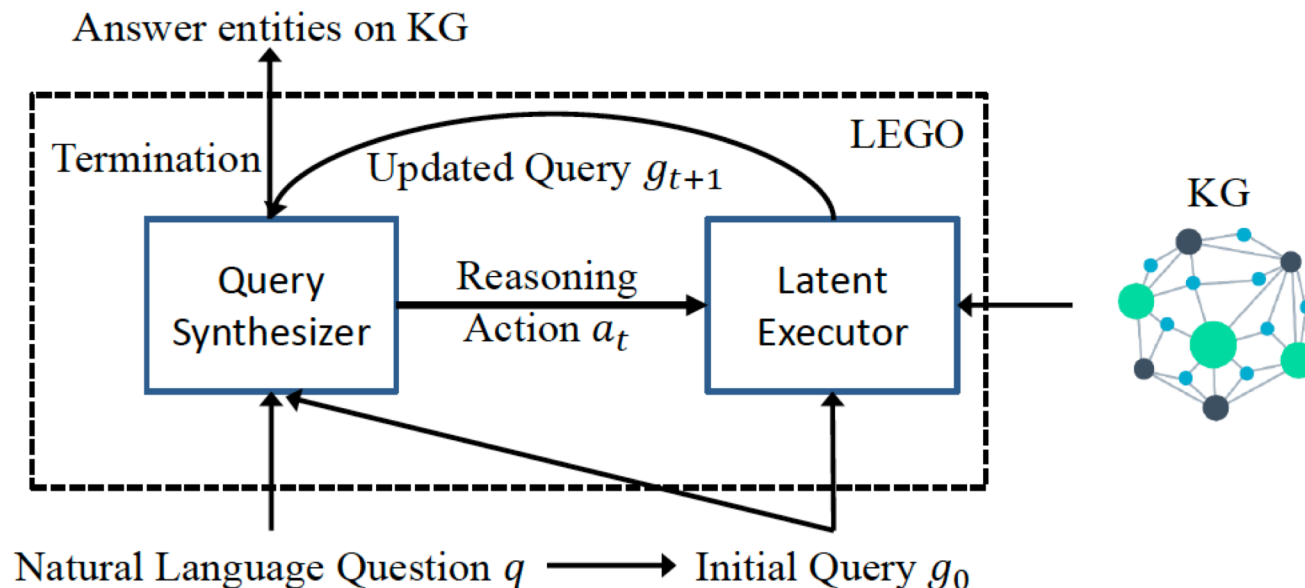
Optimize the distance between  $v$  and the answer box.

# Symbolic-enhanced Neural Reasoning

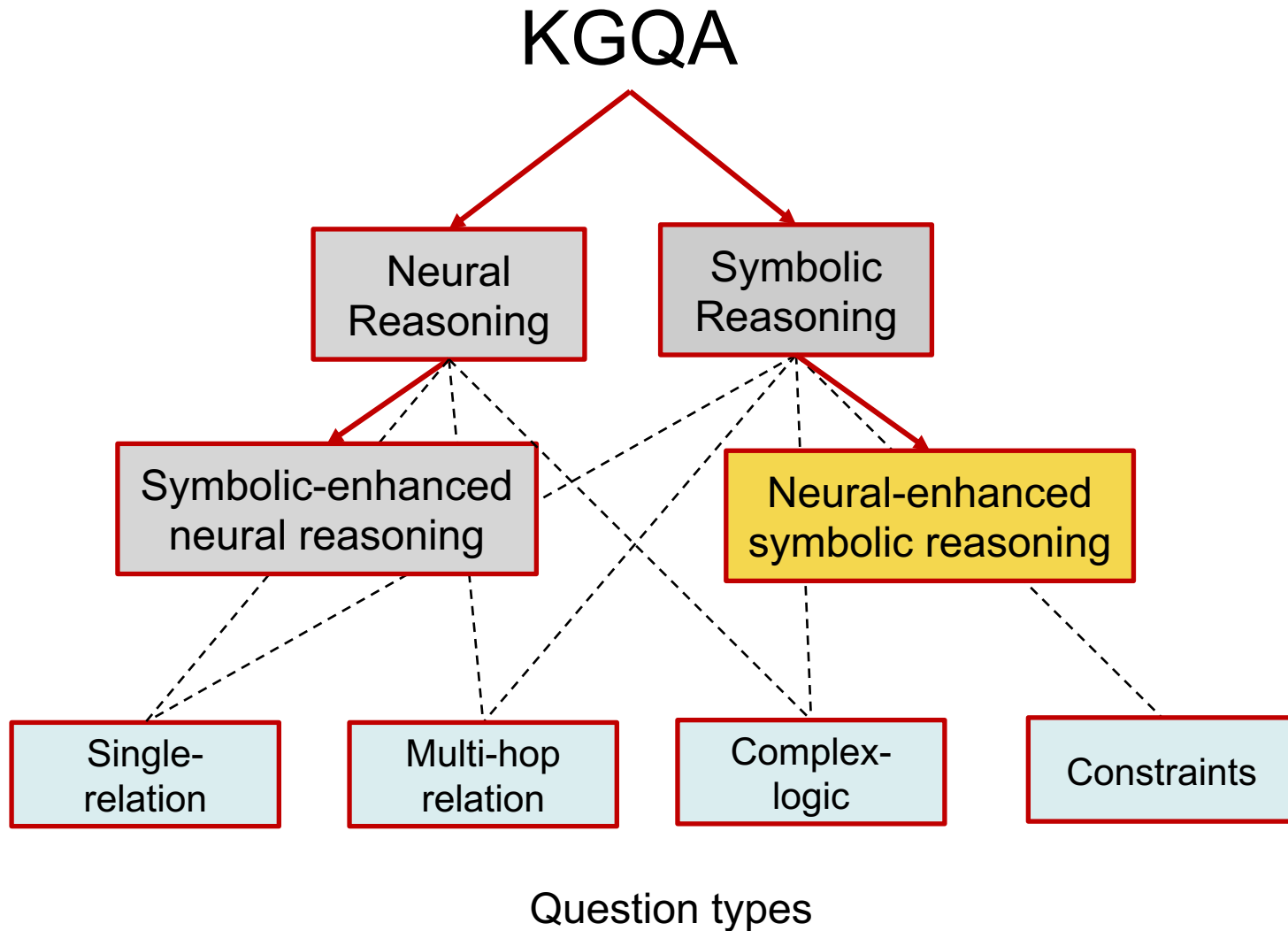
- Complex-logic question
  - Intersection, Union
- EMQL (Sun et al., 2020)
  - Faithful reasoning and generalization: **represent entity set that support generalization and precise encoding.**
  - MIPS: generalization
  - Count-min sketch: precise encoding
  - Support set intersection and union

# Symbolic-enhanced Neural Reasoning

- Complex-logic question
  - Intersection, Union
- LEGO (Ren et al., 2021)
  - Parse query tree and embedding update simultaneously

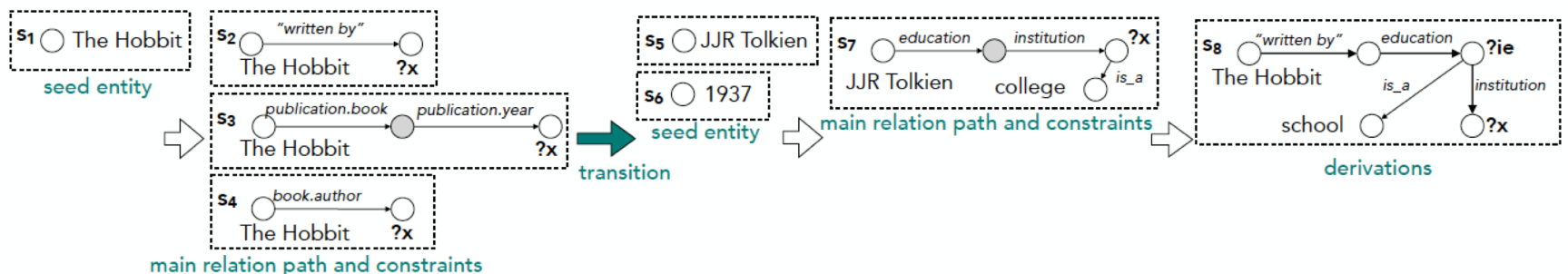


# Knowledge Graph Question Answering



# Parse and Execute

- Single-relation questions
  - Yih et al. 2014
    - Determine (mention, entity) , (nlp pattern, relation)
    - Add a CNN model to determine the mapping
- Multi-hop questions
  - MULTIQUE (Bhutani et al., 2020)
    - Add an LSTM to encode and measure the similarity between the question and each current sub-query graph



# Parse and Execute

- Multi-constraint questions

| Constraint Category | Example   | Percentage |
|---------------------|---|------------|
| Multi-Entity        | which films star by <b>Forest Whitaker</b> and are directed by <b>Mark Rydell</b> ? | 30.6%      |
| Type                | which <b>city</b> did Bill Clinton born?  | 38.8%      |
| Explicit Temporal   | who is the governor of Kentucky <b>2012</b> ?                                       | 10.4%      |
| Implicit Temporal   | who is the us president <b>when the Civil War started</b> ?                         | 3.5%       |
| Ordinal             | what is the <b>second longest</b> river in China?                                   | 5.1%       |
| Aggregation         | <b>how many</b> children does bill gates have?                                      | 1.2%       |

- Query Graph

- Node: constant nodes such as entities or attribute values, variable nodes representing unknown entity/attribute value.
- Edge: relation or function, e.g., “<, Max, Min, Limit”

# Parse and Execute

- First construct multi-hop query graph, then add constraints
  - Bao et al., 2016, encode similarities by [CNN](#)
- Incorporate constraints and extend relation simultaneously
  - Lan et al. , 2020, encode similarities by [BERT](#)
  - Qiu et al., 2020, encode similarities by [LSTM and transformer](#)
  - Chen et al, 2020, encode similarities by [graph transformer](#)

# Parse and Execute

- Train an encoder-decoder model
- Natural language question => sparql

What colors do the school where **Donald Stanley Marshall** is grad student use?



```
SELECT DISTINCT ?x WHERE
?c educational_institution.students graduates ?k
?c education.student Donald Stanley Marshall
?c educational_institution.colors ?x ✓
```

- Shi et al., 2020, [BART](#); Das et al., 2021, [BIGBIRD](#)
- High accuracy, but depend on the large annotated (natural language question, sparql) pairs.



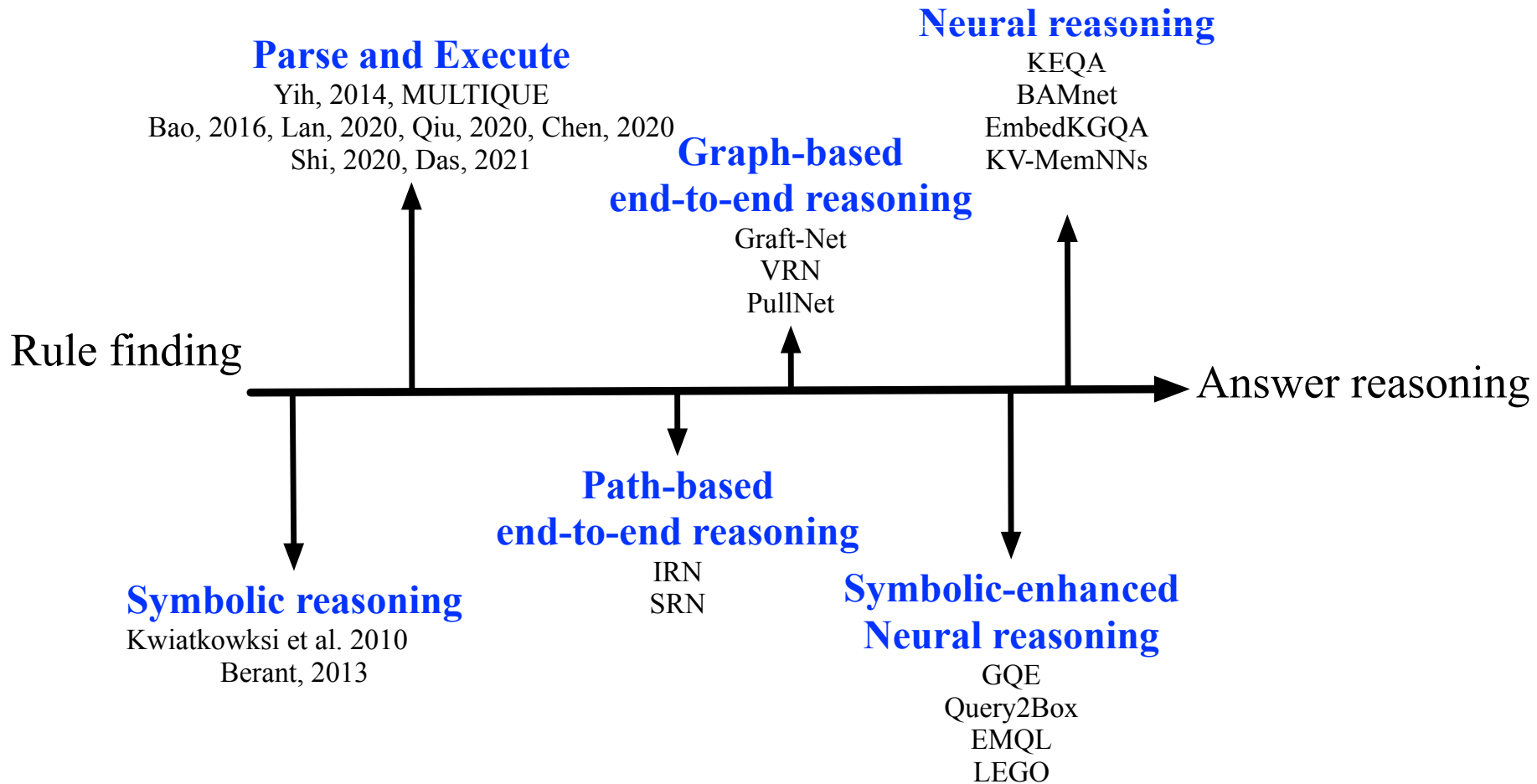
# End-to-End Reasoning

- Multi-hop questions
- Path-based reasoning
- IRN (Zhou et al., 2018)
  - **Input module**: update the query embedding
  - **Reasoning module**: based on the question embedding and the historical path
    - The paths are observed
- SRN (Qiu et al., 2020)
  - Paths are unobserved. RL

# End-to-End Reasoning

- Multi-hop questions
- Graph-based reasoning
  - Graft-Net (Sun et al., 2018)
    - Extract subgraphs around the topic entity in the question by PPR (Ad-hoc)
    - Perform GNN to represent nodes
  - PullNet (Sun et al., 2019)
    - Weak supervision by RL (shortest paths between topic entities and answer entities)
  - NSM (He et al., 2021)
    - Teacher-student, student finds the correct answer, teacher learns intermediate supervision signals by bidirectional reasoning

# Summary of KGQA



# Benchmark of KGC

- **FB15K**: a subset of Freebase. The main relation types are **symmetry/antisymmetry** and **inversion** patterns.
- **WN18**: a subset of WordNet. The main relation types are **symmetry/antisymmetry** and **inversion** patterns.
- **FB15K-237**: a subset of FB15K, where inversion relations are deleted. The main relation types are **symmetry/antisymmetry** and **composition** patterns.
- **WN18RR**: a subset of WN18, where inversion relations are deleted. The main relation types are **symmetry/antisymmetry** and **composition** patterns.

| <b>Dataset</b> | <b>#entity</b> | <b>#relation</b> | <b>#training</b> | <b>#validation</b> | <b>#test</b> |
|----------------|----------------|------------------|------------------|--------------------|--------------|
| FB15k          | 14,951         | 1,345            | 483,142          | 50,000             | 59,071       |
| WN18           | 40,943         | 18               | 141,442          | 5,000              | 5,000        |
| FB15k-237      | 14,541         | 237              | 272,115          | 17,535             | 20,466       |
| WN18RR         | 40,943         | 11               | 86,835           | 3,034              | 3,134        |

# Benchmark of KGQA

|  | Datasets                                      | KB                   | Size    | LF  | NL  |
|--|---|----------------------|---------|-----|-----|
| Multi-hop<br>composition,<br>conjunction,<br>comparative,<br>superlative | WebQuestions [Berant <i>et al.</i> , 2013]    | Freebase             | 5,810   | No  | No  |
|  | ComplexQuestions [Bao <i>et al.</i> , 2016]   | Freebase             | 2,100   | No  | No  |
|  | WebQuestionsSP [Yih <i>et al.</i> , 2016]     | Freebase             | 4,737   | Yes | Yes |
|  | ComplexWebQuestions [Talmor and Berant, 2018] | Freebase             | 34,689  | Yes | Yes |
|  | QALD series [Lopez <i>et al.</i> , 2013]      | DBpedia              | -       | Yes | Yes |
|  | LC-QuAD [Trivedi <i>et al.</i> , 2017]        | DBpedia              | 5,000   | Yes | Yes |
|  | LC-QuAD 2.0 [Dubey <i>et al.</i> , 2019]      | DBpedia,<br>Wikidata | 30,000  | Yes | Yes |
| Zero-shot<br>More constraints  | MetaQA Vanilla [Zhang <i>et al.</i> , 2018]   | WikiMovies           | 400k    | No  | No  |
|  | CEO [Keysers <i>et al.</i> , 2020]            | Freebase             | 239,357 | Yes | No  |
|  | GrailQA [Gu <i>et al.</i> , 2020]             | Freebase             | 64,331  | Yes | Yes |
|  | KQA Pro [Shi <i>et al.</i> , 2020]            | Wikidata             | 117,970 | Yes | Yes |

Table 1: Several complex KBQA benchmark datasets. “LF” denotes whether the dataset provides Logic Forms, and “NL” denotes whether the dataset incorporates crowd workers to rewrite questions in Natural Language.

# Future Directions

- Complex questions
  - Symbolic reasoning
    - Can easily handle complex questions
    - Depend on large annotated question-sparql pairs.
    - How to automatically generate training data?
  - Neural reasoning
    - Only question-answer pairs are required.
    - Difficult to address various constraints
    - How to **identify and express** logic operations by NN?

# Future Directions

- Pipeline
  - Topic entity identification
  - Entity linking
  - Relation detection
  - Answer reasoning
- Multi-task learning  
(Srivastava et al. 2021, Wang et al.)
  - Share BERT encoders across tasks

# Future Directions

- Few-shot Reasoning

| Reference                            |
|--------------------------------------|
| (Petersburg, SubPartOf, Virginia)    |
| (Vacaville, SubPartOf, California)   |
| (Prague, SubPartOf, Czech)           |
| (Cavaliers, SubPartOf, NBA)          |
| (Los Angeles Lakers, SubPartOf, NBA) |

| Query                           |
|---------------------------------|
| (Chicago Bulls, SubPartOf, NBA) |

- Few-shot KGC (Sheng et al. 2020)
- Zero-shot KGC (Teru et al, 2020)
- Few-shot KGQA (Hua et al. 2020)
- Zero-shot Cross-lingual KGQA (Zhou et al. 2021)
- Dataset: I.I.D, Compositional Generalization, Zero-shot Generalization, Gu et al., 2021



# Future Directions

- Temporal knowledge graph
  - (Barack Obama, held position, President of USA, 2008, 2016)

| Reasoning     | Example Template                               | Example Question   |
|---------------|--|--|
| Simple time   | When did {head} hold the position of {tail}    | <i>When did Obama hold the position of President of USA</i>  |
| Simple entity | Which award did {head} receive in {time}       | <i>Which award did Brad Pitt receive in 2001</i>             |
| Before/After  | Who was the {tail} {type} {head}               | <i>Who was the President of USA before Obama</i>             |
| First/Last    | When did {head} play their {adj} game          | <i>When did Messi play their first game</i>                  |
| Time join     | Who held the position of {tail} during {event} | <i>Who held the position of President of USA during WWII</i> |

- Saxena et al. (ACL 2021)
- A temporal KBQA dataset
- Revised EmbedKGQA (temporal KG embedding)

# Future Directions

- Fuse Text and KG
  - Build entity-relation-entity from text, Fu 2019, Lu, 2019)
  - Build entity-text from text, Sun et al., 2018, Sun et al., 2019, Han et al., 2020
  - Without building the new edges from text, directly encode text, Xiong et al., 2019
  - Virtual KB, Dhingra et al, 2020, Sun et al., 2021
  - Unitedly encode text and KG by pre-trained LMs?

**Thank you!**



# **Neural-Symbolic Reasoning on Knowledge Graphs**

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