

From Statistical Relational AI to Neural Symbolic Computation

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WASP WALLENBERG AI AUTONOMOUS SYSTEMS AND SOFTWARE PROGRAM



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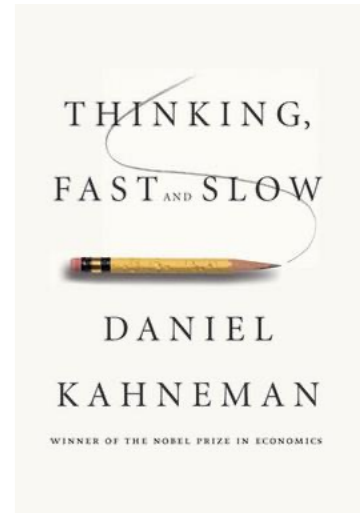


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Introduction

Learning and Reasoning both needed



- System 1 - thinking fast - can do things like $2+2 = ?$ and recognise objects in image
- System 2 - thinking slow - can reason about solving complex problems - planning a complex task
- alternative terms — data-driven vs knowledge-driven, symbolic vs subsymbolic, solvers and learners, neuro-symbolic...
- **A lot of work on integrating learning and reasoning, neural symbolic computation to integrate logic / symbols reasoning with neural networks**

- see also arguments by Marcus, Darwiche, Levesque, Tenenbaum, Geffner, Bengio, Le Cun, Kautz, ...
see also AI Debates



Real-life problems involve two important aspects.

 AUTO



<https://www.theorie-blokken.be/nl/gratis-proefexamen>

Who can go first ?

- A. The red car
- B. The blue van
- C. The white car

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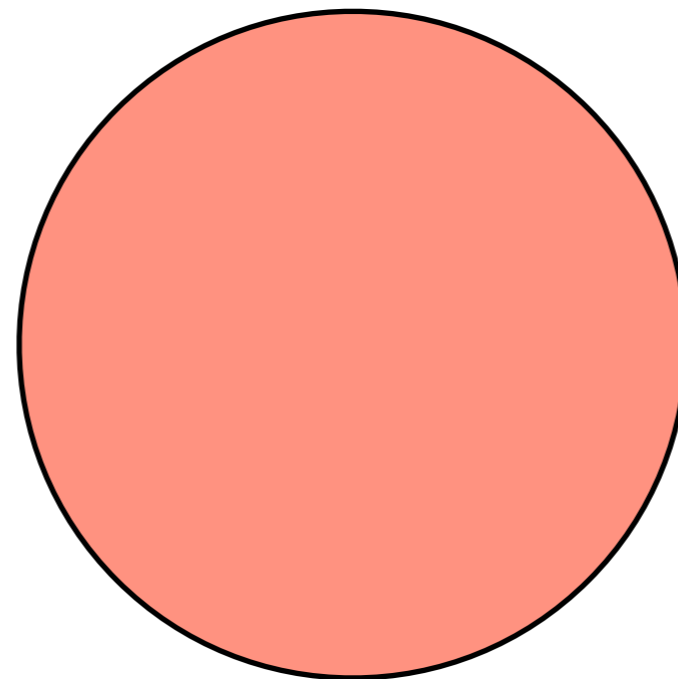
Sub-symbolic perception

Reasoning



Thinking fast

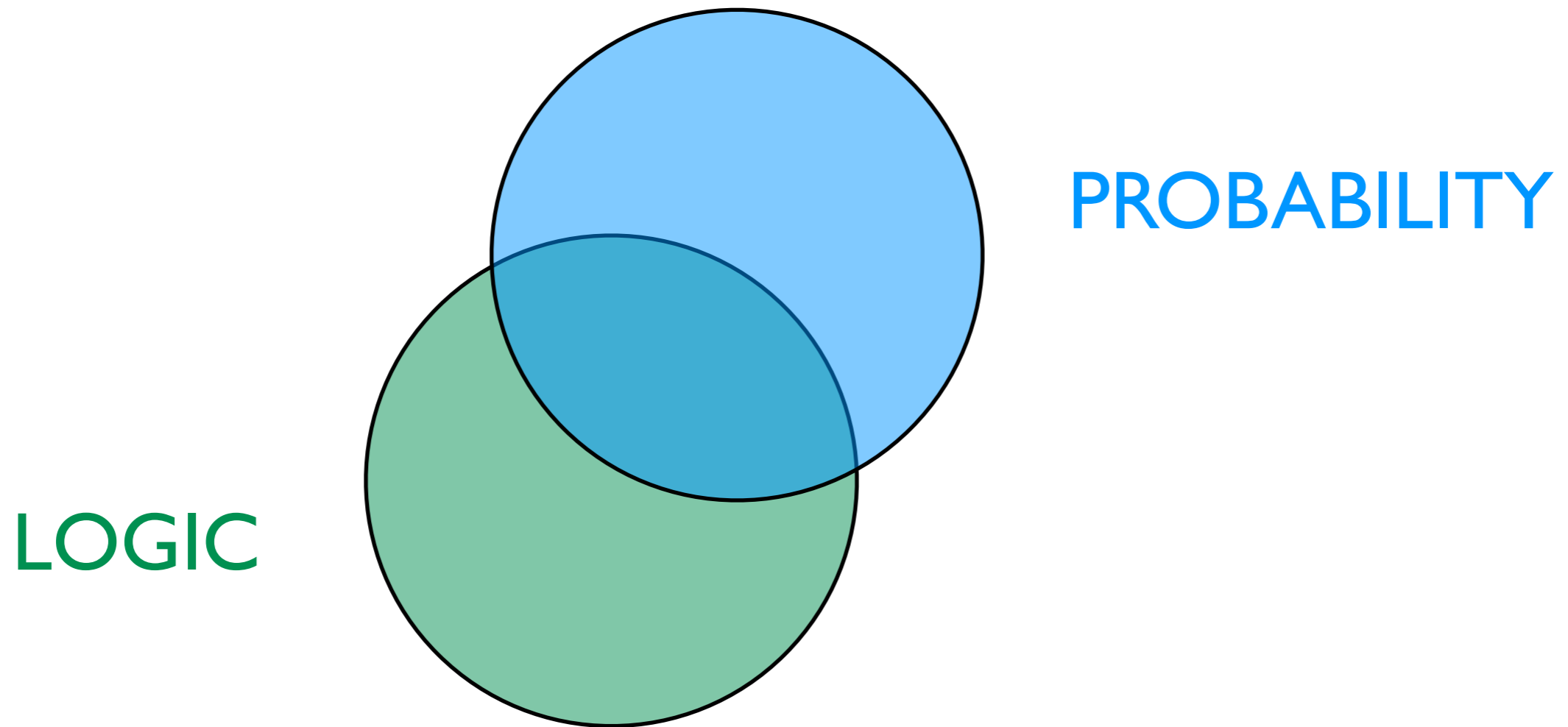
MAIN PARADIGM in AI
Focus on Learning



NEURAL

Thinking slow = reasoning

TWO MAIN PARADIGMS in AI



Their integration has been well studied in **Probabilistic (Logic) Programming and Statistical Relational AI (StarAI)**

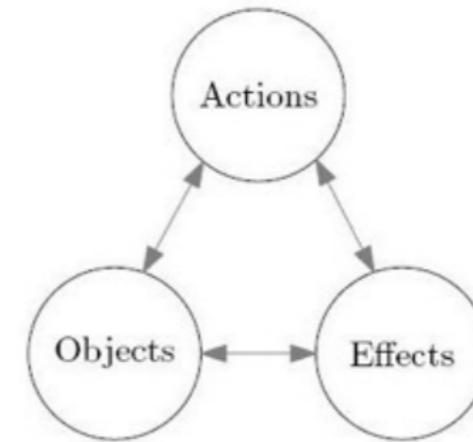


Applications

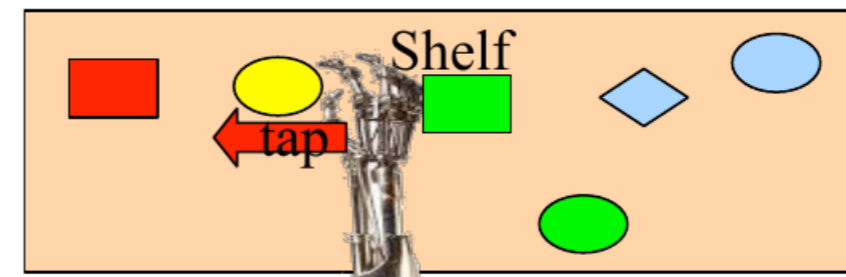
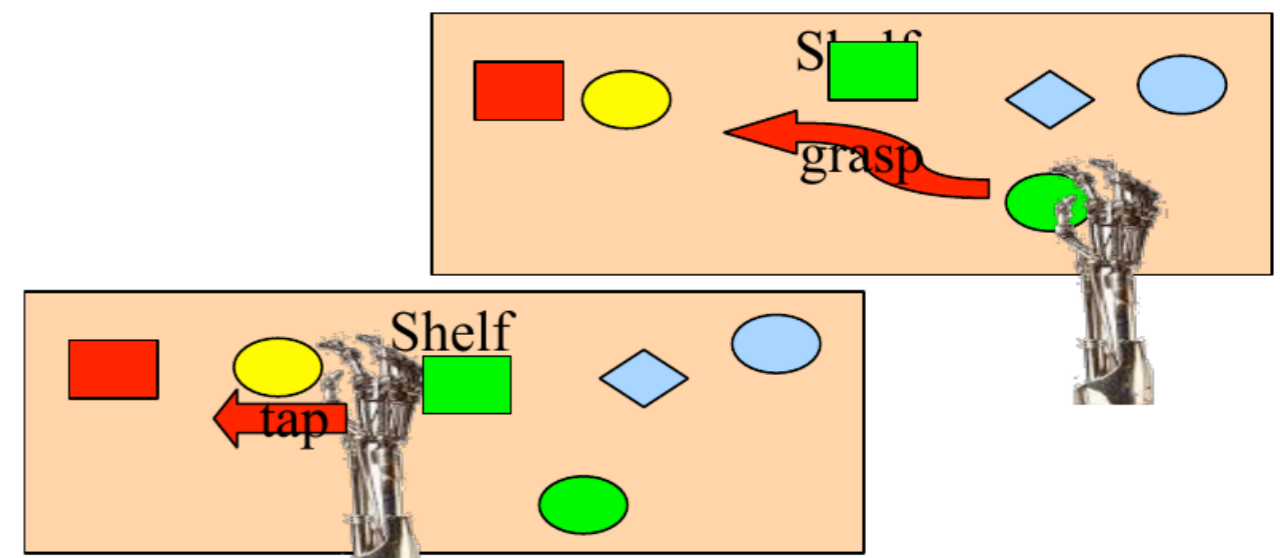
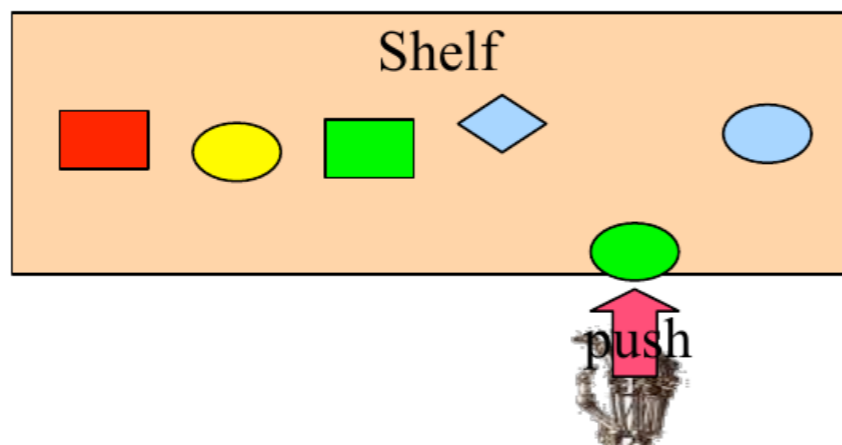
Relational Affordances

- **Object Affordance:**
What can one do with particular object?
- **Relational Affordance:**
in a particular context?

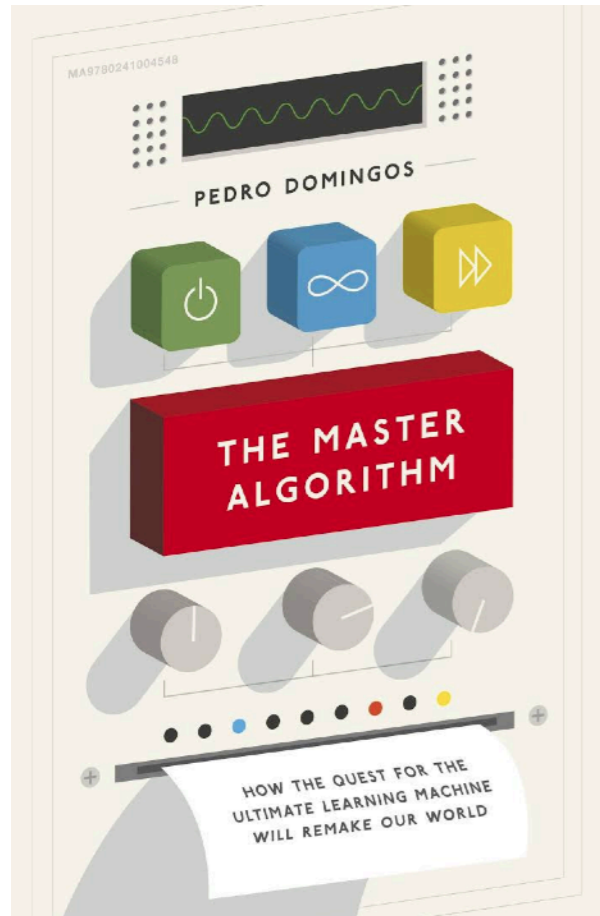
with multiple objects and relations among them
- Use of statistical relational learning, **probabilistic programming for learning, reasoning and planning !**



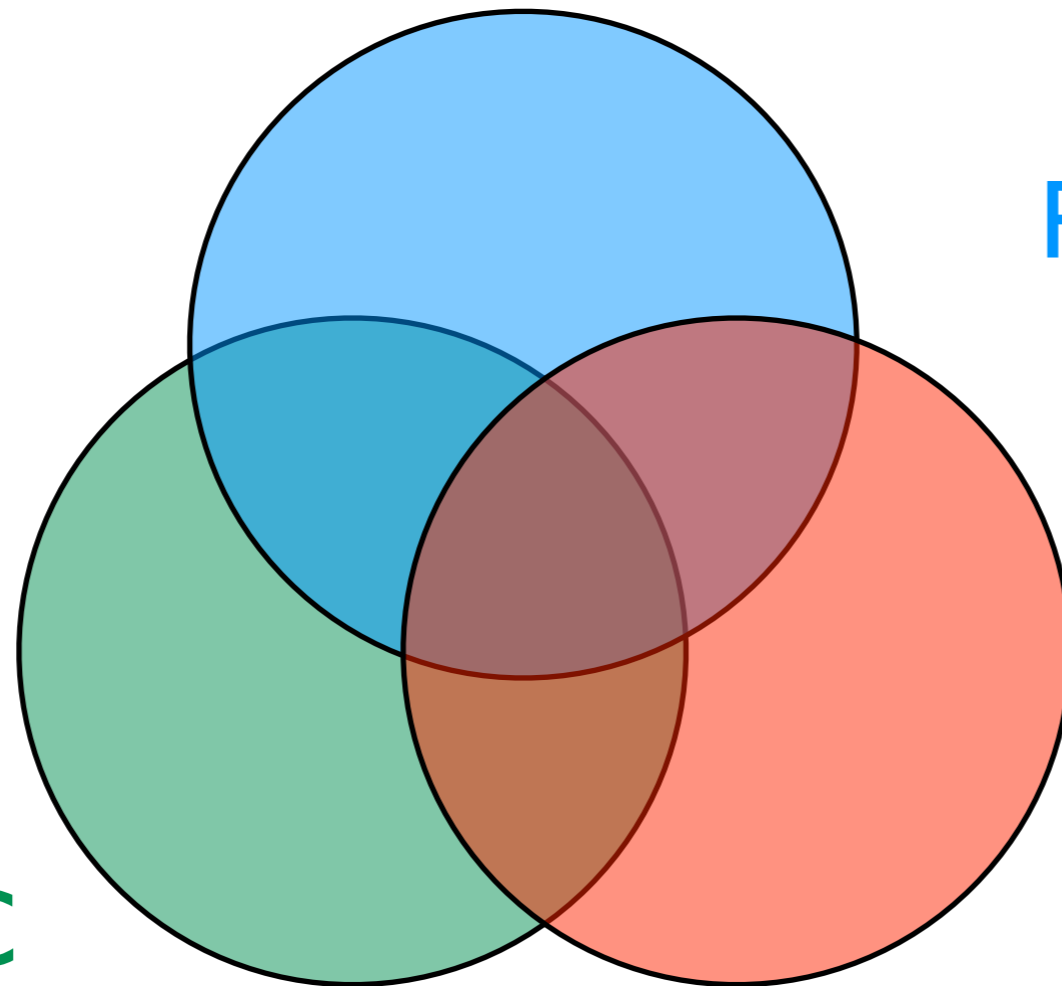
Inputs	Outputs	Function
(O, A)	E	Effect prediction
(O, E)	A	Action recognition/planning
(A, E)	O	Object recognition/selection



Learning



LOGIC

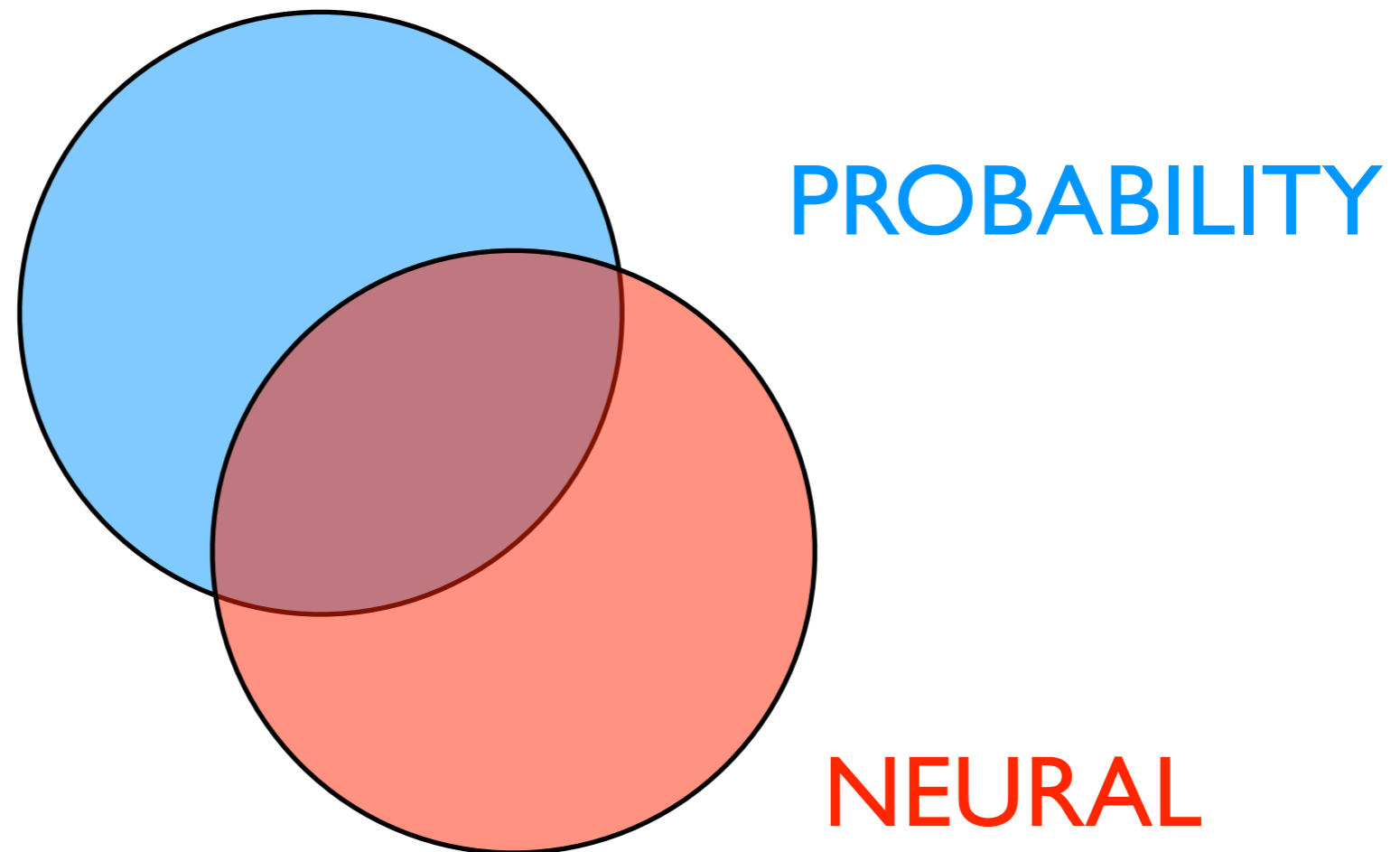


PROBABILITY

NEURAL

How to integrate these three paradigms in AI ?

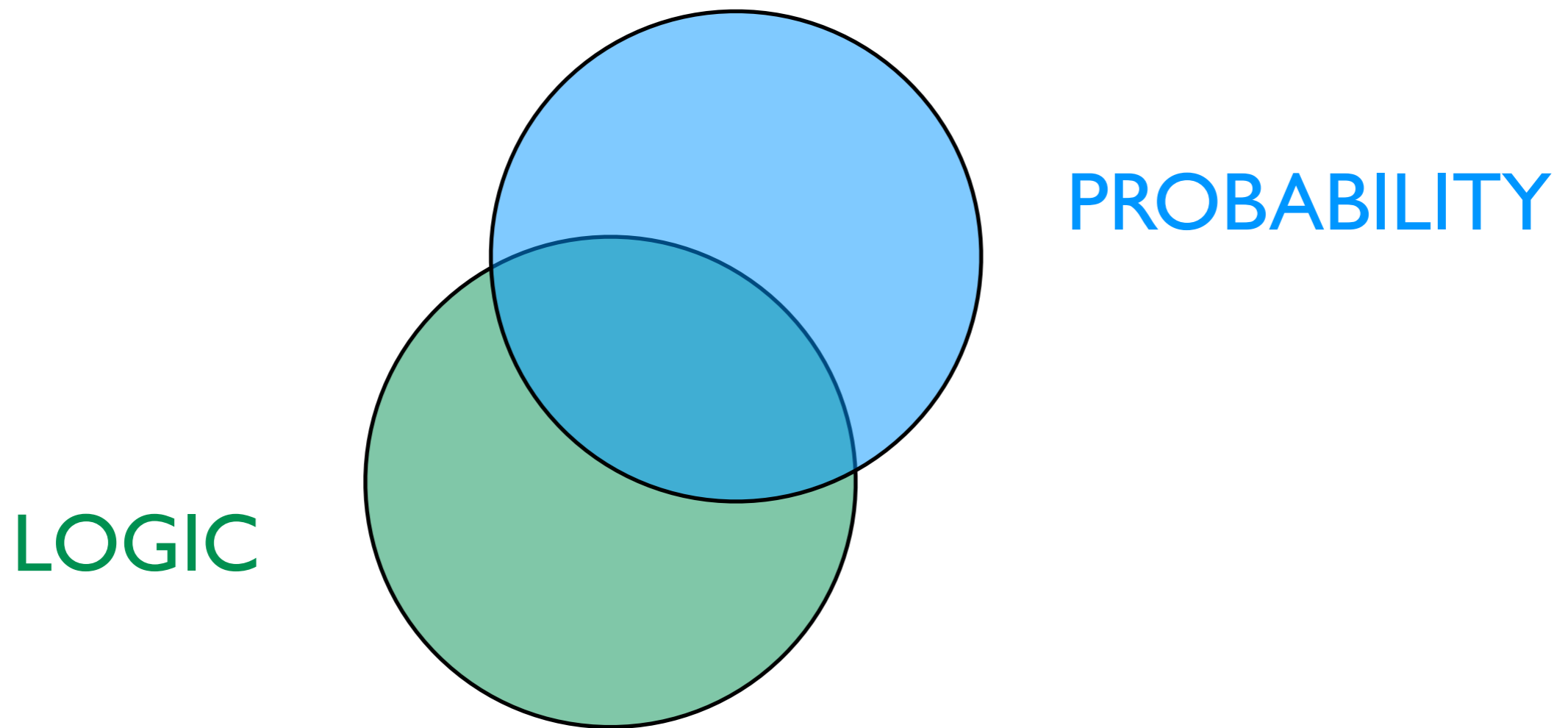
A lot of ML



**Well studied from a LEARNING perspective
in Deep Learning**

Thinking slow = reasoning

TWO MAIN PARADIGMS in AI

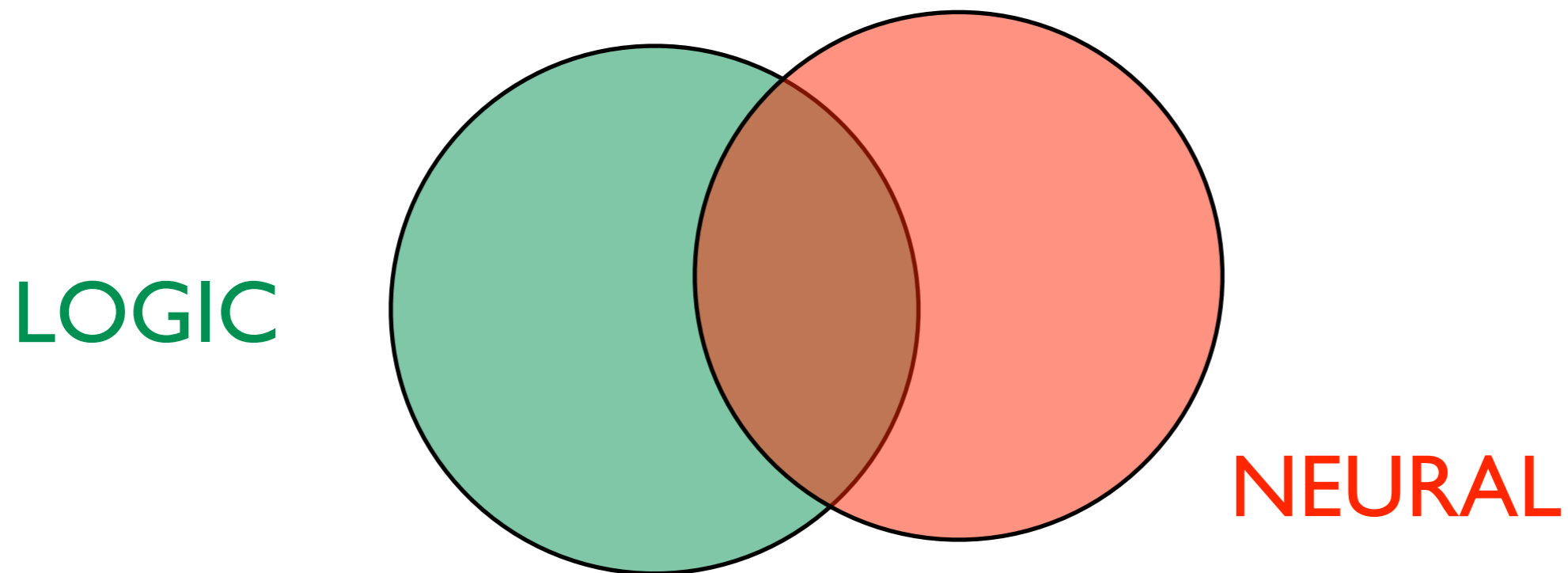


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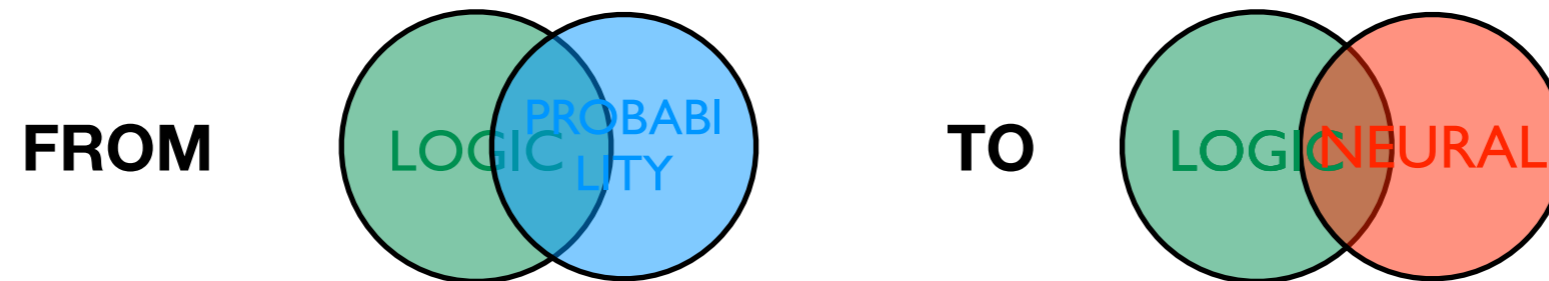


State of the Art



**Being studied from a LEARNING perspective
in Neuro Symbolic Computation**

Key Message



**StarAI and NeSy share similar problems
and thus similar solutions apply**



WARNING

TALK MAY NOT COVER ALL of
NESY

See also

De Raedt, Dumancic, Marra, Manhaeve

From Statistical Relational to Neuro-Symbolic Artificial Intelligence

IJCAI 20, and long version on arXiv

Applications

Feedback in two directions

- Logic can help neural networks to use external knowledge:
 - Better performance
 - Less data
- Neural networks can help logic-based systems to explore combinatorial spaces more efficiently (e.g. space of programs)

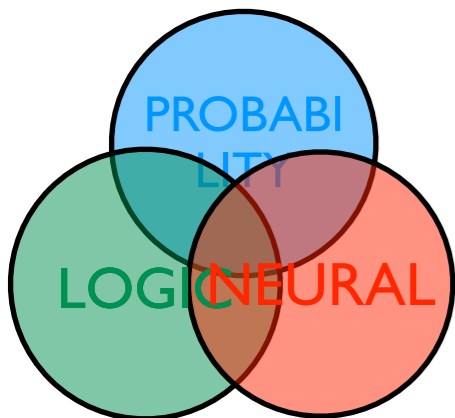
Addition

Learn to add the sum of lists of MNIST images


$$\mathbf{3} \mathbf{5} \mathbf{0} \mathbf{4} \mathbf{1} + \mathbf{9} \mathbf{2} \mathbf{1} = ? \quad \mathbf{35962}$$

example multi-addition predicate

Assume you do not know how to map MNIST images to numbers, but do know the rules of addition. Can you learn from these examples how to map MNIST to numbers ?

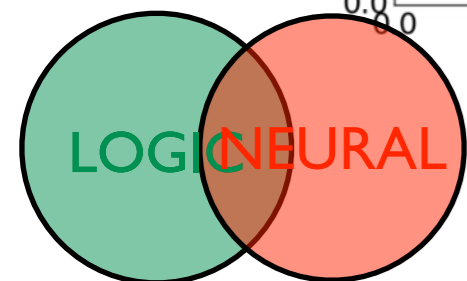
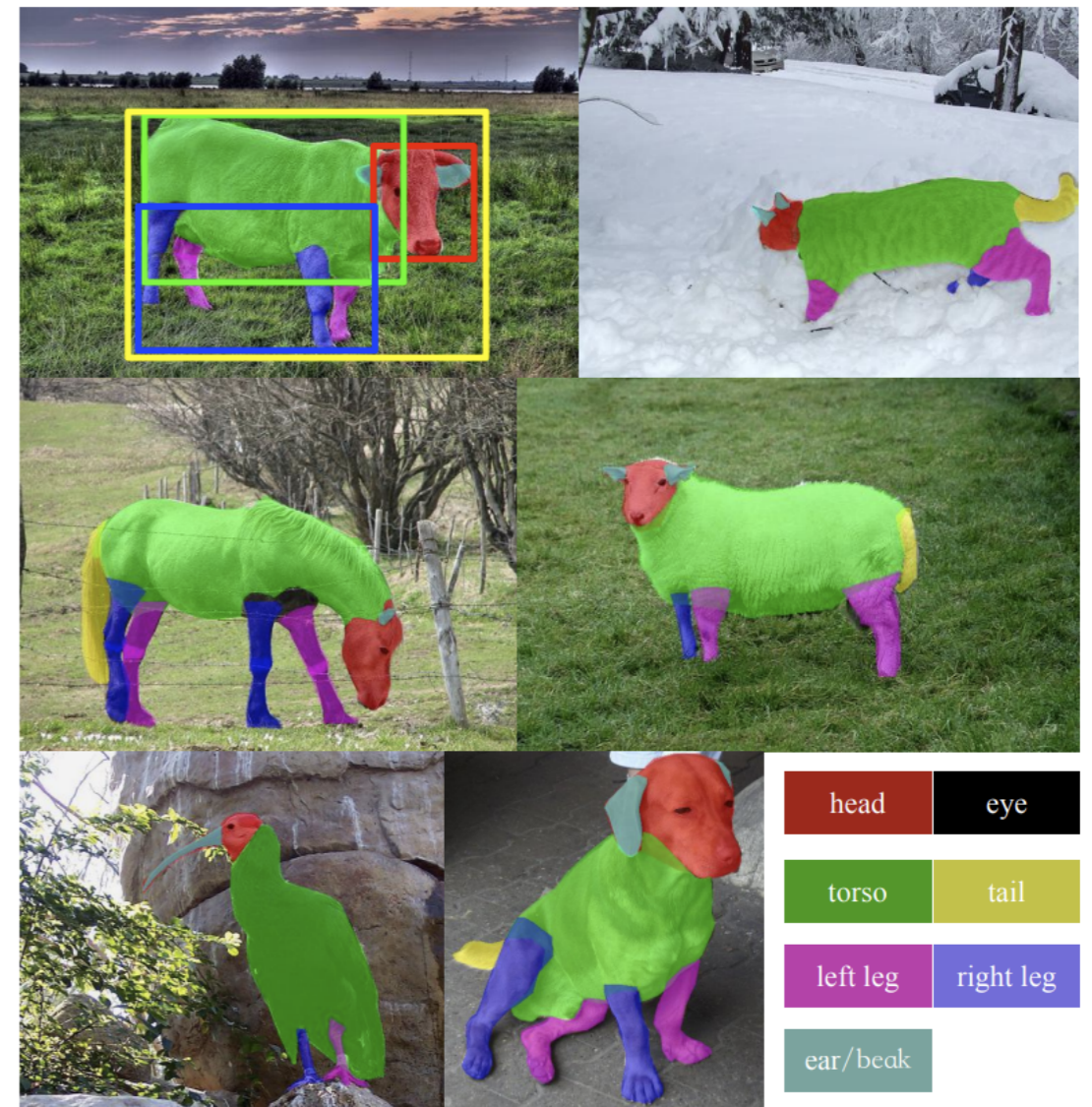
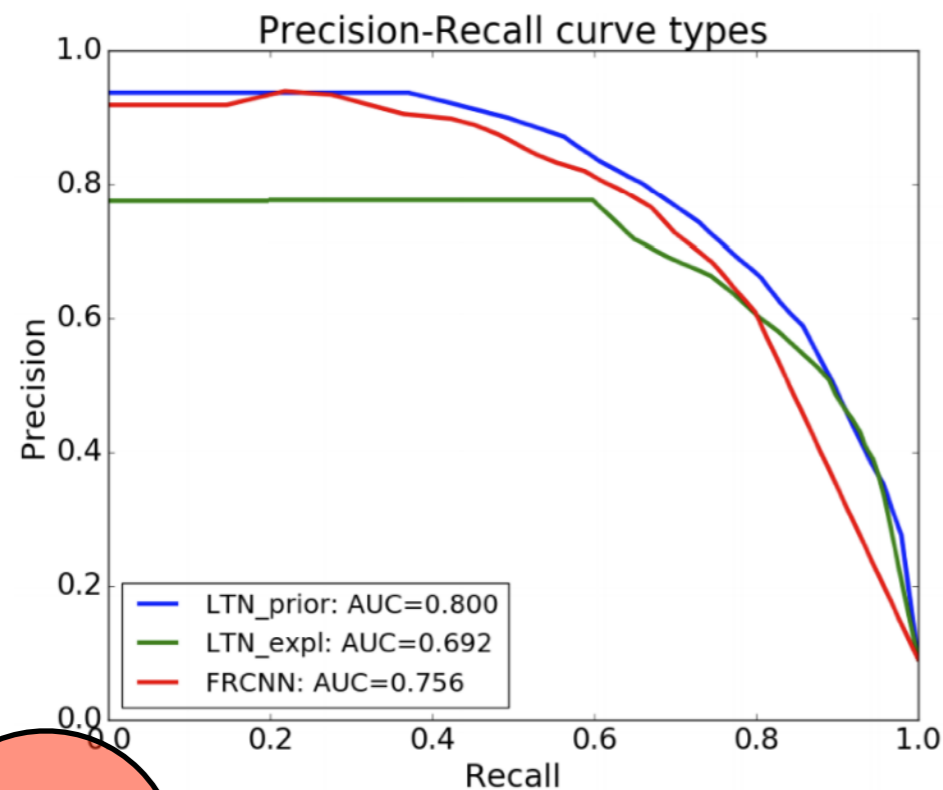


Semantic Image Interpretation

$$\forall xy(\text{partOf}(x, y) \rightarrow \neg \text{partOf}(y, x))$$

$$\forall xy(\text{Cat}(x) \wedge \text{partOf}(x, y) \rightarrow \text{Tail}(y) \vee \text{Muzzle}(y))$$

$$\forall xy(\text{Cat}(x) \rightarrow \neg \text{partOf}(x, y))$$



Visual Reasoning

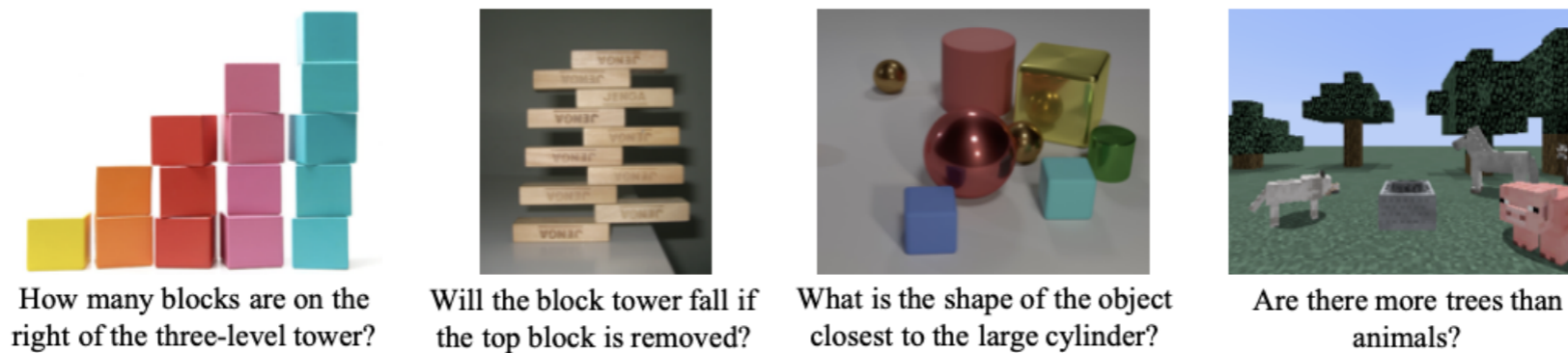


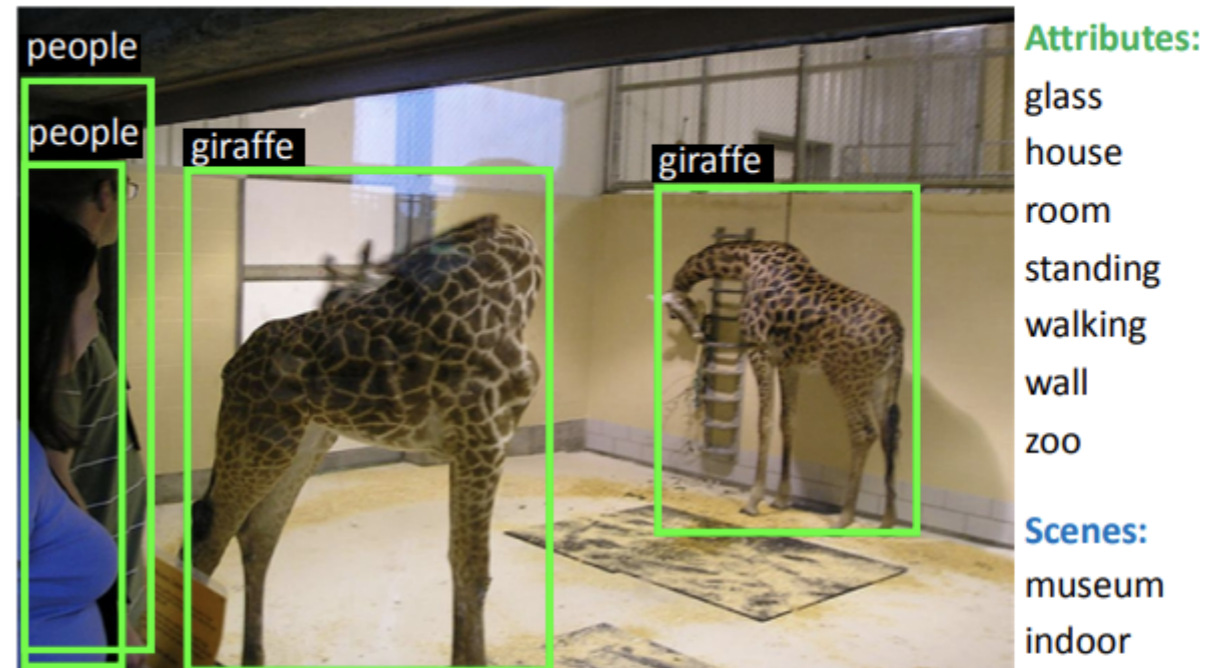
Figure 1: Human reasoning is interpretable and disentangled: we first draw abstract knowledge of the scene via visual perception and then perform logic reasoning on it. This enables compositional, accurate, and generalizable reasoning in rich visual contexts.

Adding a reasoning component on top of the perception can improve performance.



Visual Reasoning

One can also add ontological knowledge.



Visual Question: How many giraffes in the image?

Answer: Two. **Reason:** Two giraffes are detected.

Common-Sense Question: Is this image related to zoology?

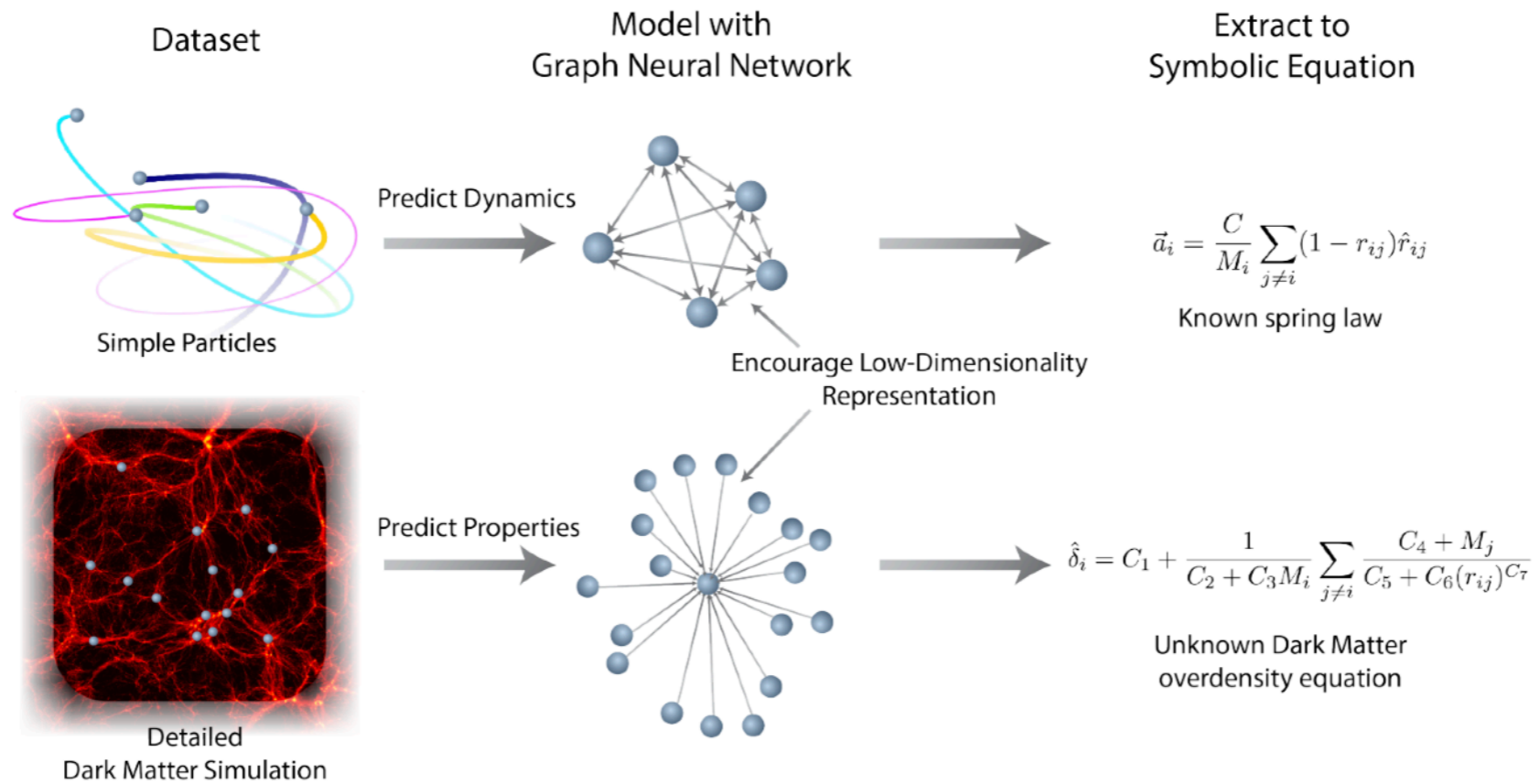
Answer: Yes. **Reason:** Object/Giraffe --> Herbivorous animals --> Animal --> Zoology; Attribute/Zoo --> Zoology.

KB-Knowledge Question: What are the common properties between the animal in this image and the zebra?

Answer: Herbivorous animals; Animals; Megafauna of Africa.



(New) Scientific Discovery



Cranmer, et al. NeurIPS 2020

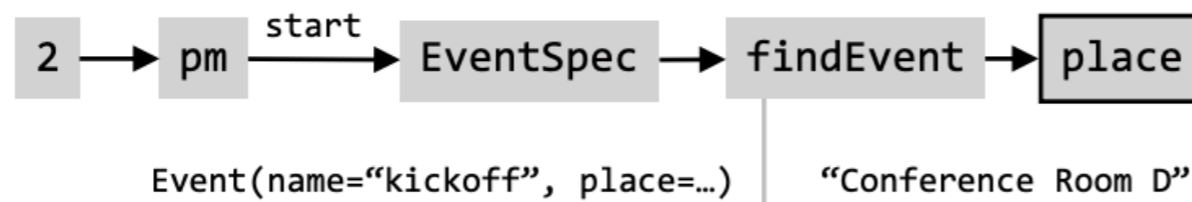


(New) Dialog Systems

User: *Where is my meeting at 2 this afternoon?*

```
place(findEvent(EventSpec(start=pm(2))))
```

(1)



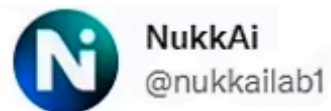
Agent: *It's in Conference Room D.*

Dialogues represented as symbolic programs (e.g. dataflow graphs)

(New) Game Playing



The NeSy Nook system
defeats eight
world bridge champions
in Paris (2022)



🤖 : 6136
👤 : 5238

Nook won The Nukkai Challenge!

...

Talk in context of TAILOR network
by Veronique Ventos
Jan 30, 15.30

<https://challenge.nukk.ai/>



Both StarAI and NeSy

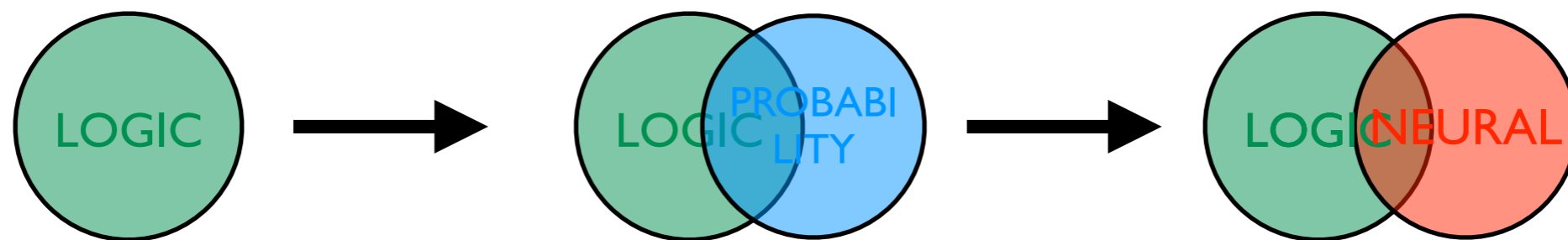
- Structured environments
 - objects, and
 - **relationships** amongst them
- and possibly
 - using **background knowledge**
- cope with **uncertainty and/or perception**
- **learn from data and reason with knowledge**

Power of Logic
Of Programs

The Seven Dimensions

1. Proof vs Model based
2. Directed vs Undirected
3. Type of Logic
4. Symbols vs Subsymbols
5. Parameter vs Structure Learning
6. Semantics
7. Logic vs Probability vs Neural

1. Proof vs Model based



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LOGIC

1. Proof vs Model based the logic dimension

- Model- vs proof-based
- First order / relational vs propositional
- Grounding
- Differences important for both StarAI and NeSY

Logic Programs

as in the programming language Prolog

Propositional logic program

```
burglary.  
hears_alarm_mary.
```

```
earthquake.  
hears_alarm_john.
```

facts :
burglary = true

```
alarm :- earthquake.
```

```
alarm :- burglary.
```

```
calls_mary :- alarm, hears_alarm_mary.
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```
calls_john :- alarm, hears_alarm_john.
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alarm :- earthquake.
```

```
alarm :- burglary. rule:  
calls_mary = true IF alarm = true AND hears_alarm_mary = true
```

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calls_mary :- alarm, hears_alarm_mary.
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calls_john :- alarm, hears_alarm_john.
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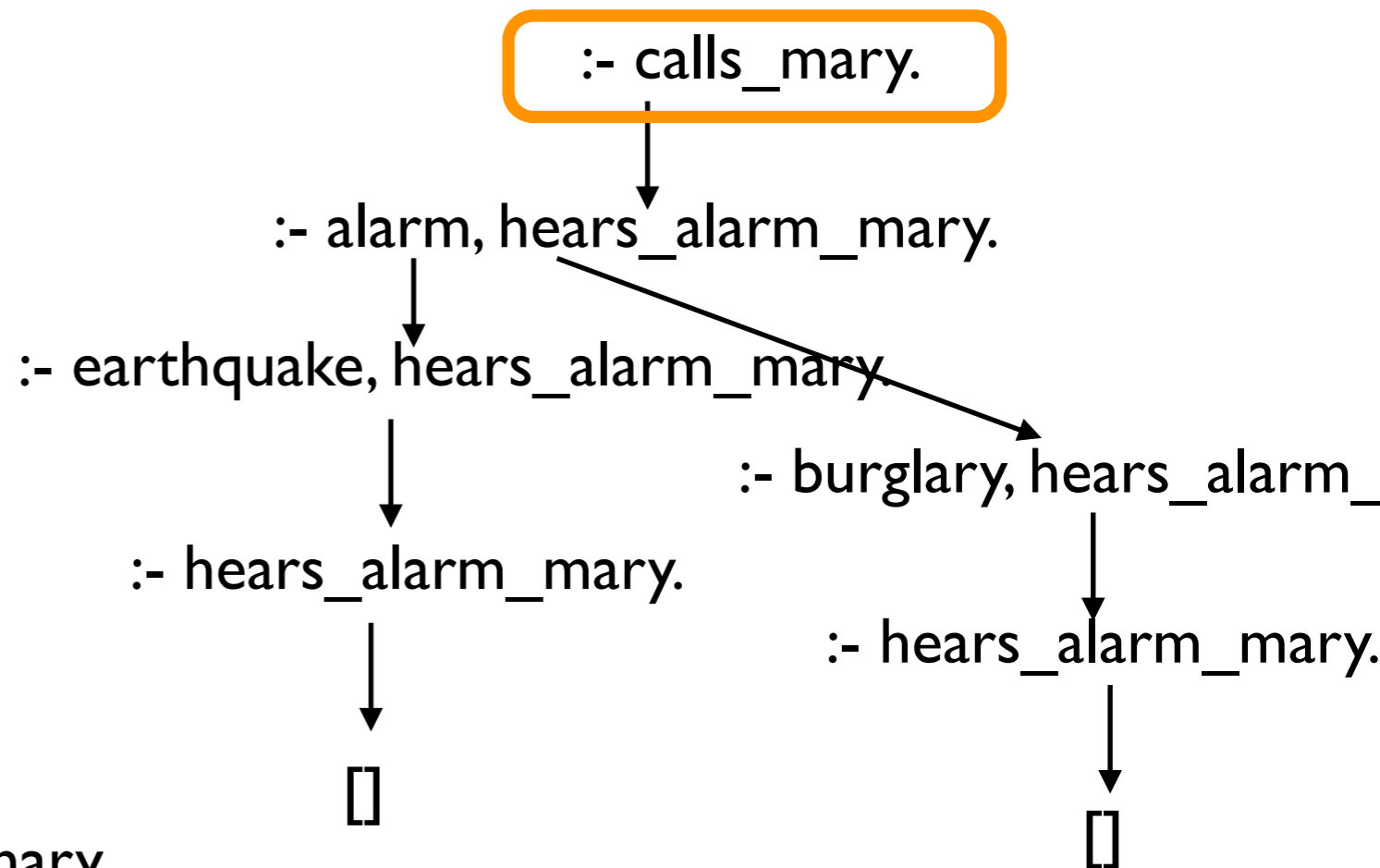
Two proofs (by refutation)

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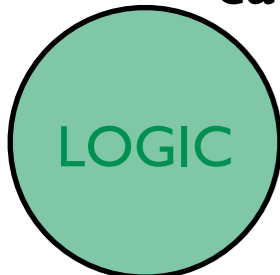
earthquake.
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alarm :- earthquake.
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calls_mary :- alarm, hears_alarm_mary.
calls_john :- alarm, hears_alarm_john.



A proof-theoretic view
backward chaining



Logic as constraints

as in SAT solvers

Propositional logic

Model / Possible World

IF

AND

$\text{calls}(\text{mary}) \leftarrow \text{hears_alarm}(\text{mary}) \wedge \text{alarm}$

$\text{calls}(\text{john}) \leftarrow \text{hears_alarm}(\text{john}) \wedge \text{alarm}$

OR

$\text{alarm} \leftarrow \text{earthquake} \vee \text{burglary}$

{ burglary,

hears_alarm(john),

alarm,

calls(john)}

**the facts that are true
in this model / possible world**

SAT: Find a model / possible world that satisfies all the constraints

SAT SOLVERS

A model-theoretic view 

Relational/First Order Logic

Introduce Variables and Domains

The meaning of this is always the **GROUNDED** theory

allows to exploit symmetries / templates ...

burglary.
hears_alarm(**mary**).

earthquake.
hears_alarm(**john**).

alarm :- earthquake.

alarm :- burglary.
calls(**X**) :- alarm, hears_alarm(**X**).

Variable X

Domain = {mary, john}

burglary.
hears_alarm(mary).

earthquake.
hears_alarm(john).

alarm :- earthquake.

alarm :- burglary.
calls(mary) :- alarm, hears_alarm(mary).
calls(john) :- alarm, hears_alarm(john).

Grounded Theory

BOTH for model and proof-based approach

Logical Theory

GROUNDING OUT

```
stress (ann) .  
influences (ann,bob) .  
influences (bob,carl) .
```

```
smokes (ann) :- stress (ann) .  
smokes (bob) :- stress (bob) .  
smokes (carl) :- stress (carl) .
```

```
smokes (ann) :- influences (ann,ann) , smokes (ann) .  
smokes (ann) :- influences (bob,ann) , smokes (bob) .  
smokes (ann) :- influences (carl,ann) , smokes (carl) .
```

```
smokes (bob) :- influences (ann,bob) , smokes (ann) .  
smokes (bob) :- influences (bob,bob) , smokes (bob) .  
smokes (bob) :- influences (carl,bob) , smokes (carl) .
```

```
smokes (carl) :- influences (ann,carl) , smokes (ann) .  
smokes (carl) :- influences (bob,carl) , smokes (bob) .  
smokes (carl) :- influences (carl,carl) , smokes (carl) .
```

```
stress (ann) .  
influences (ann,bob) .  
influences (bob,carl) .  
  
smokes (X) :- stress (X) .  
smokes (X) :-  
    influences (Y,X) ,  
    smokes (Y) .
```

**IF INTERESTED ONLY IN
CERTAIN QUERIES,
CLEVER TECHNIQUES EXIST
TO AVOID GROUNDING OUT
COMPLETELY**



Logical Reasoning: Model Theoretic

FINDING A MODEL

```
stress (ann) .  
influences (ann,bob) .  
influences (bob,carl) .
```

```
smokes (ann) :- stress (ann) .  
-> infer smokes (ann)
```

```
smokes (bob) :- influences (ann,bob) , smokes (ann)  
-> infer smokes (bob)
```

```
smokes (carl) :- influences (bob,carl) , smokes (bob) .  
-> infer smokes (carl) .
```

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stress (ann) .  
influences (ann,bob) .  
influences (bob,carl) .
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    smokes (Y) .
```

FINDING A MODEL

here — the least Herbrand model as in Prolog using the Tp Operator (forward reasoning)



Logical Reasoning: Model Theoretic

Clark's completion AND call a SAT Solver

```
stress (ann) .  
influences (ann,bob) .  
influences (bob,carl) .
```

```
smokes (ann) <-> stress (ann)  
    v influences (ann,ann) , smokes (ann) here  
    v influences (bob,ann) , smokes (bob)  
    v influences (carl,ann) , smokes (carl)
```

```
smokes (bob) <-> stress (bob)  
    v influences (ann,bob) , smokes (ann)  
    v influences (bob,bob) , smokes (bob)  
    v influences (carl,bob) , smokes (carl)
```

```
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influences (bob,carl) .
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smokes (X) :-  
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    smokes (Y) .
```

Clark's completion's as a
grounding is incorrect
for Prolog when there are cycles

but it is too hard to explain why

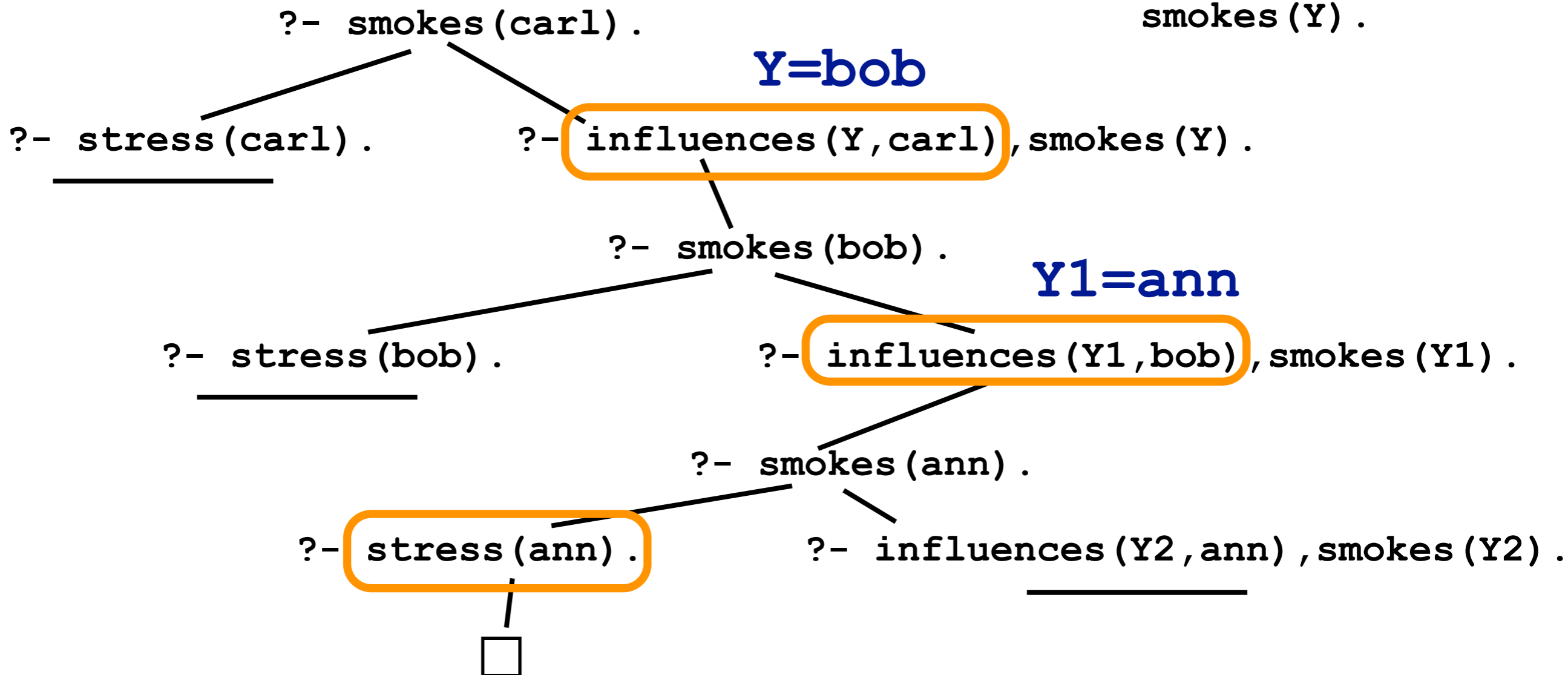
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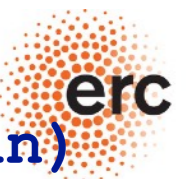
Logical Reasoning Proofs

```
stress(ann) .
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    smokes(Y) .
```



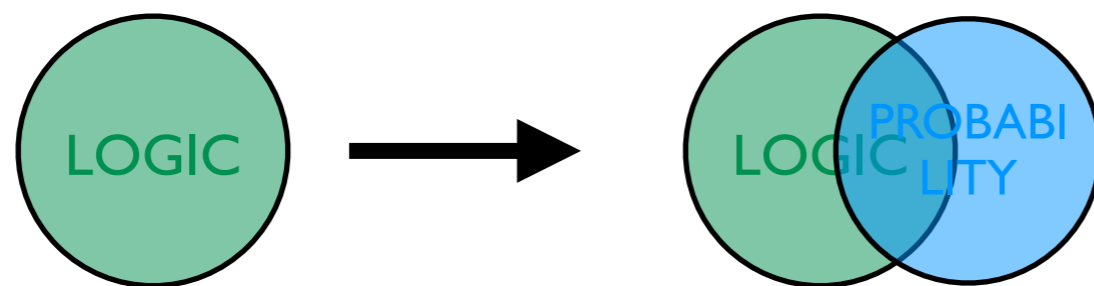
facts used in successful derivation:
`influences(bob,carl) & influences(ann,bob) & stress(ann)`



1. Proof vs Model based the logic dimension

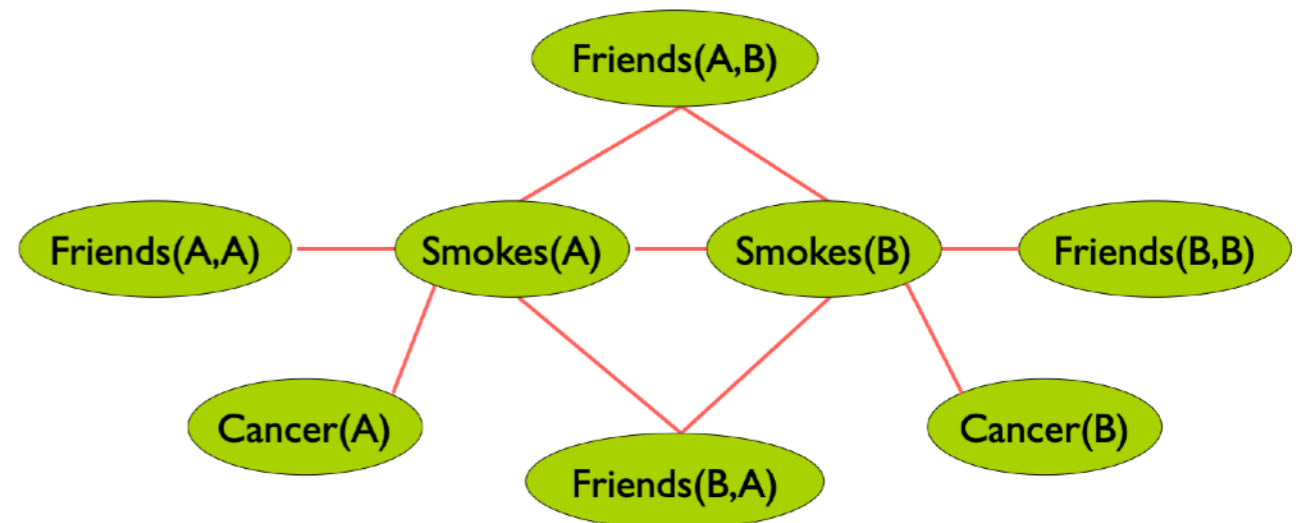
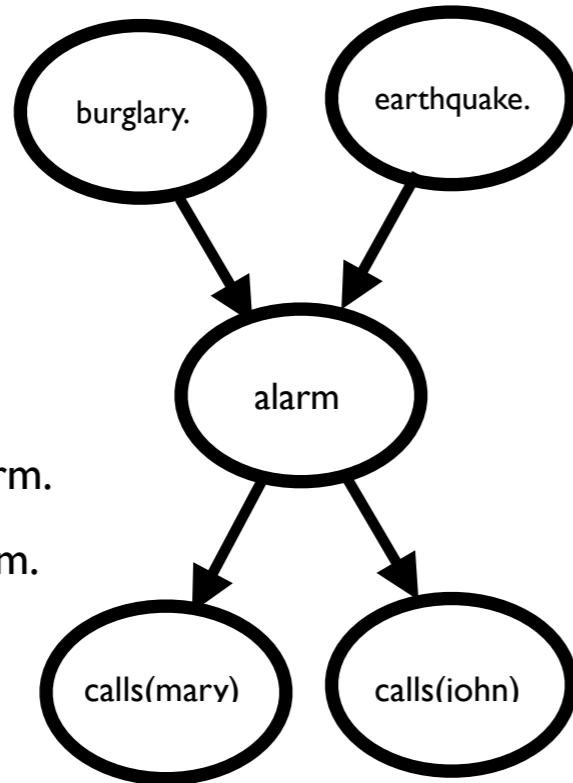
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1. Proof vs Model based
2. Directed vs Undirected



2. Directed vs Undirected the PGM / StarAI dimension

0.1 :: burglary.
 0.05 :: earthquake.
 alarm :- earthquake.
 alarm :- burglary.
 0.7::calls(mary) :- alarm.
 0.6::calls(john) :- alarm.



$$1.5 \quad \forall x \text{ Smokes}(x) \Rightarrow \text{Cancer}(x)$$

$$1.1 \quad \forall x, y \text{ Friends}(x, y) \Rightarrow (\text{Smokes}(x) \Leftrightarrow \text{Smokes}(y))$$

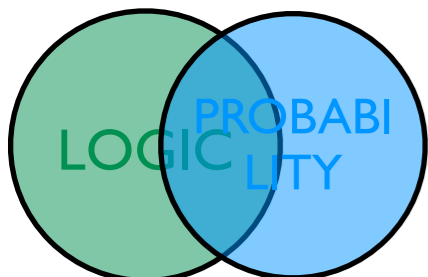
**Probabilistic Logic Programs
 ProbLog**

**directed
 Bayesian Net**

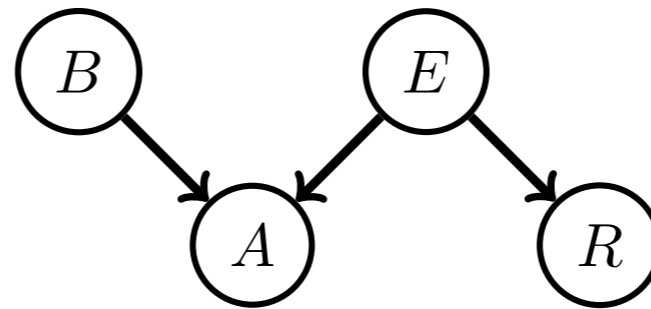
Markov Logic

**undirected
 Markov Net
 model theoretic**

key representatives



Bayesian Net



$$\mathbf{P}(A|B, E)$$

alarm (= true)	Burglar	Earthquake
0.9999	true	true
0.99	true	false
0.99	false	true
0.0001	false	true

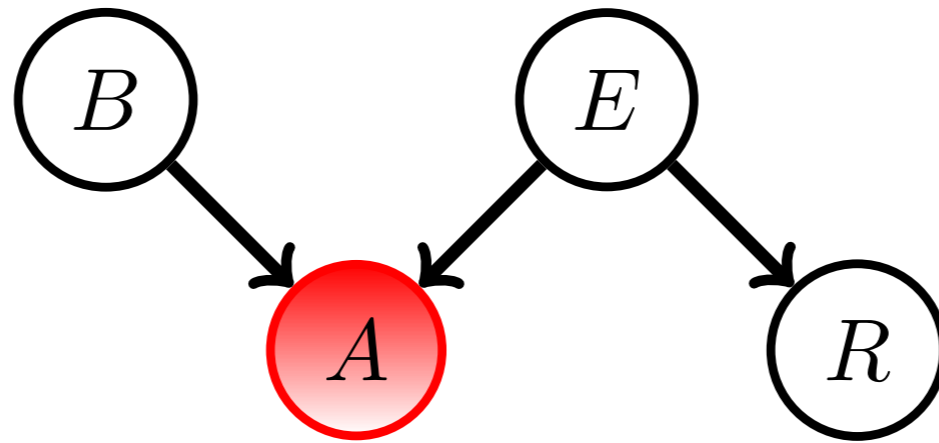
$$\mathbf{P}(R|E)$$

radio	Earthquake
1	true
0	false

The remaining tables are $P(b) = 0.01$ and $P(e) = 0.000001$. The tables and graphical structure fully specify the joint distribution $\mathbf{P}(A, R, E, B)$.

Queries

Initial evidence: The alarm is sounding



$$\begin{aligned} P(b|a) &= \frac{P(b, a)}{P(a)} = \frac{\sum_{e,r} P(b, e, a, e)}{\sum_{b,e,r} P(b, e, a, r)} \\ &= \frac{\sum_{e,r} P(r|b, e)P(b)P(e)P(r|e)}{\sum_{b,e,r} P(a|b, e)P(b)P(e)P(r|e)} \approx 0.99 \end{aligned}$$

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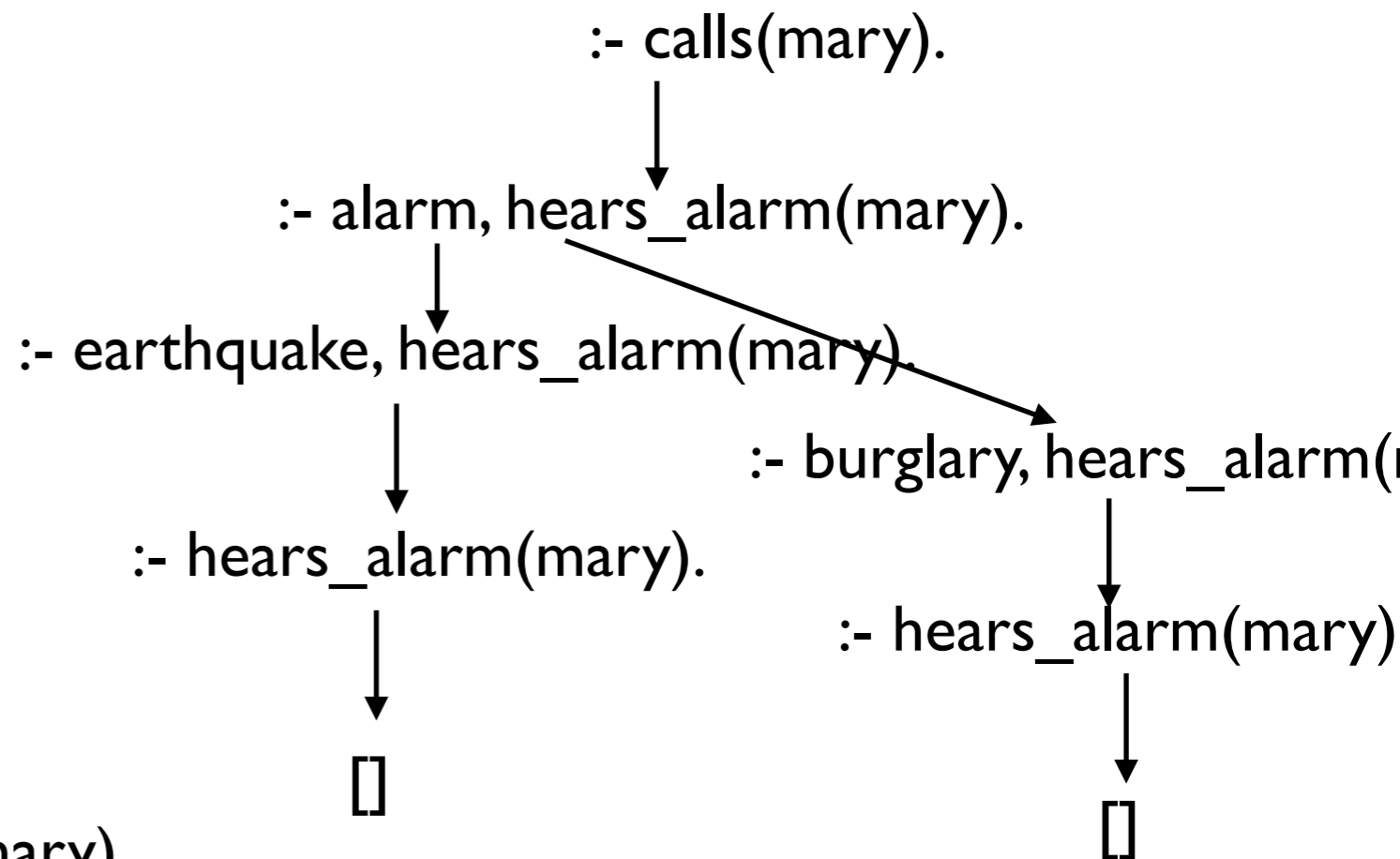
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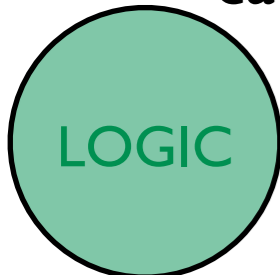
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alarm :- burglary.

calls(mary) :- alarm, hears_alarm(mary).
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Two proofs (by refutation)



A proof-theoretic view 



Probabilistic Logic Programs

as in the probabilistic programming language ProbLog

Propositional logic program

0.1 :: burglary.
0.3 :: hears_alarm(mary).

Probabilistic facts

0.05 :: earthquake.
0.6 :: hears_alarm(john).

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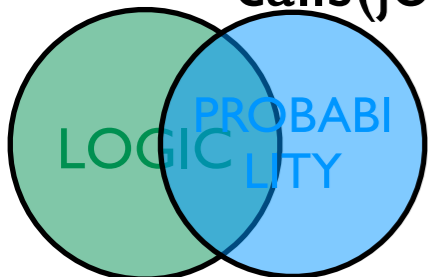
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Key Idea (Sato & Poole)
the distribution semantics:

**unify the basic concepts in logic
and probability:**

**random variable ~ propositional
variable**

**an interface between logic and
probability**



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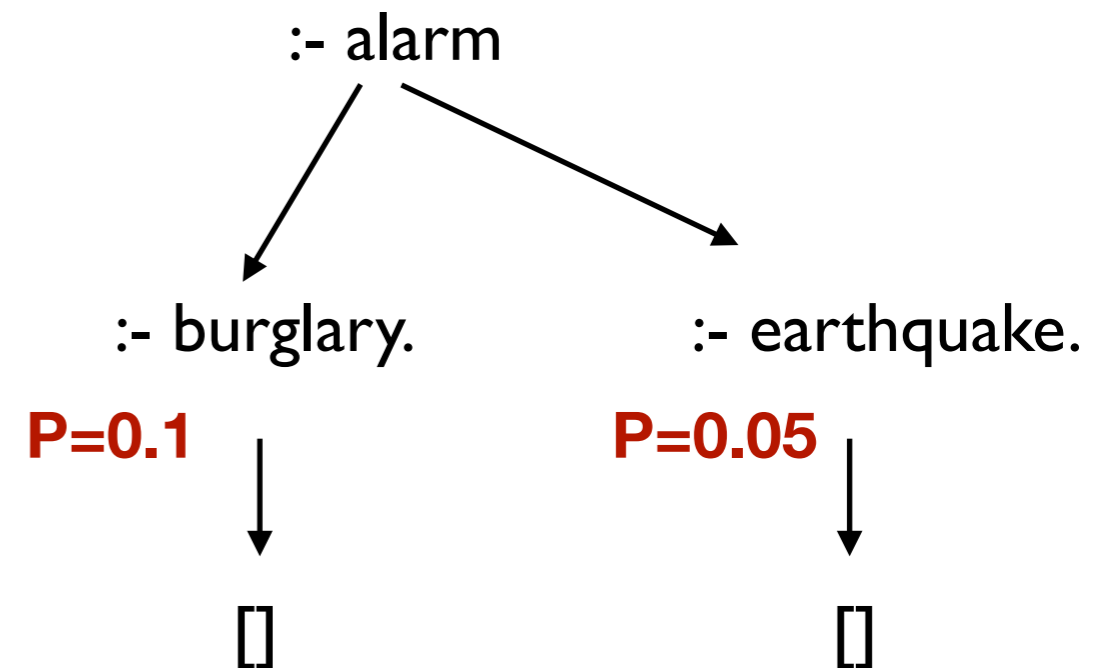
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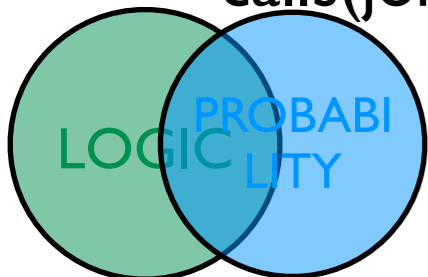
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Probability of one proof : $\prod_{f: fact \in Proof} P_f$



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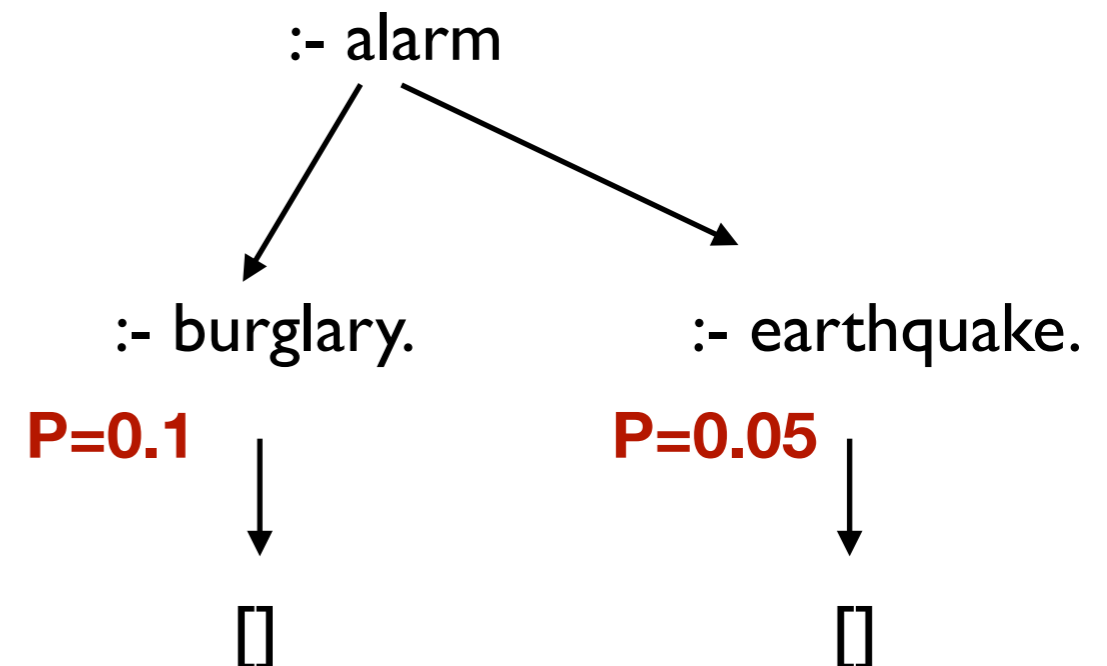
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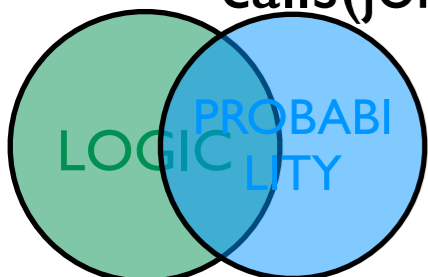
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Disjoint sum problem



Probability of one proof : $\prod_{f: fact \in Proof} P_f$

$P(\text{alarm}) = P(\text{burg OR earth})$
 $= P(\text{burg}) + P(\text{earth}) - P(\text{burg AND earth})$
 $\neq P(\text{burg}) + P(\text{earth})$



Probabilistic Logic Program Semantics

earthquake.

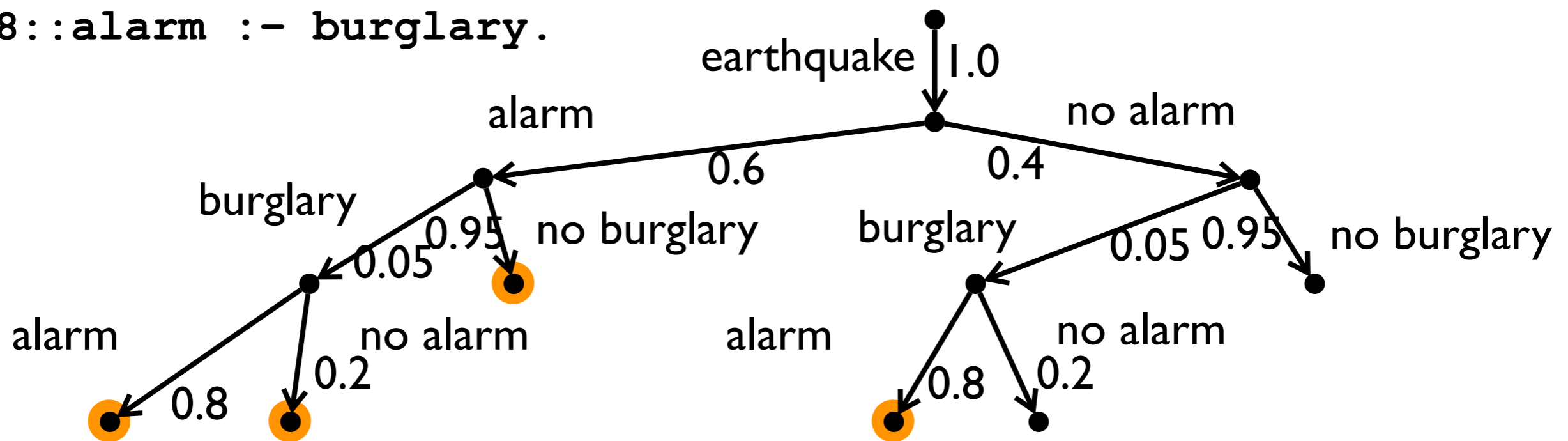
[Vennekens et al, ICLP 04]

0.05::burglary.

probabilistic causal laws

0.6::alarm :- earthquake.

0.8::alarm :- burglary.



$$P(\text{alarm}) = 0.6 \times 0.05 \times 0.8 + 0.6 \times 0.05 \times 0.2 + 0.6 \times 0.95 + 0.4 \times 0.05 \times 0.8$$

Probabilistic Logic Program Semantics

Propositional logic program

0.1 :: burglary.

0.05 :: earthquake.

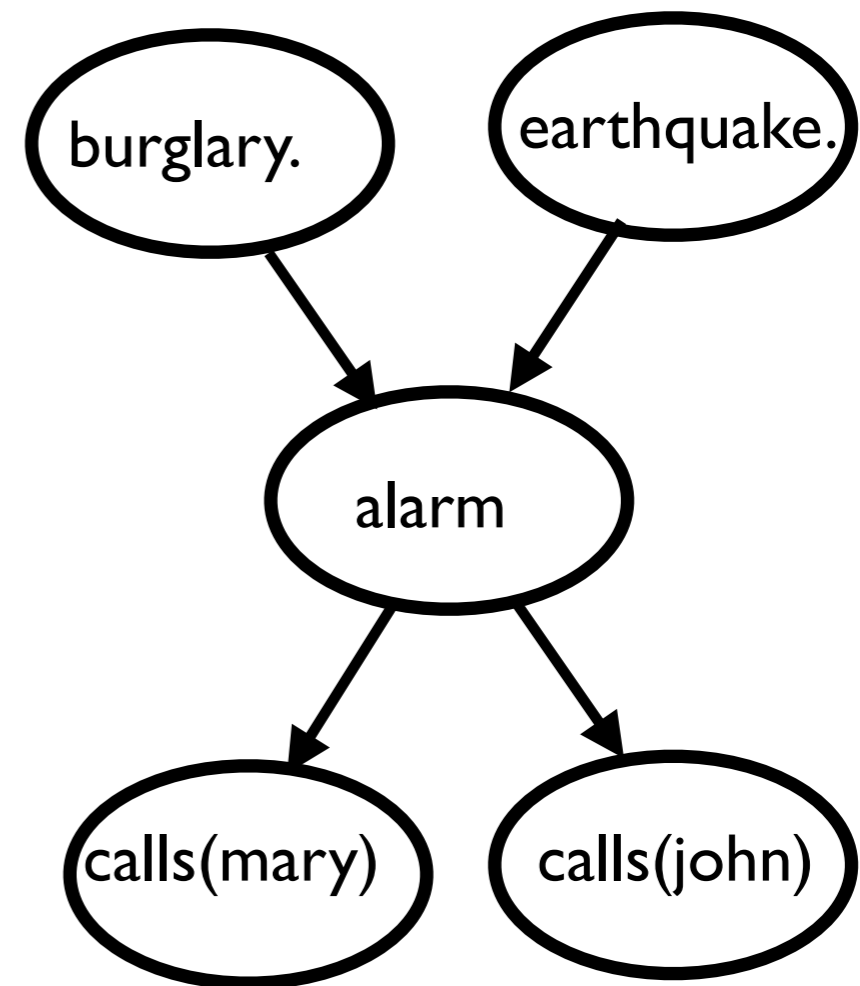
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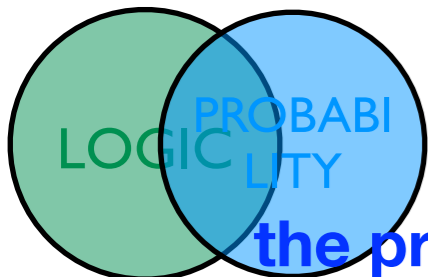
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Bayesian Network

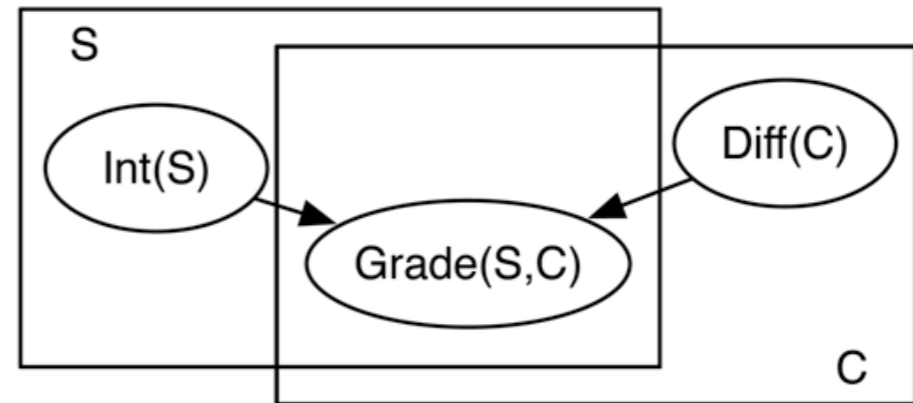


**Bayesian net encoded as Probabilistic Logic Program
PLPs correspond to directed graphical models**

**ProbLog has both (directed) probabilistic graphic models,
the programming language Prolog (and probabilistic databases) as special case**



Flexible and Compact Relational Model for Predicting Grades



“Program” Abstraction:

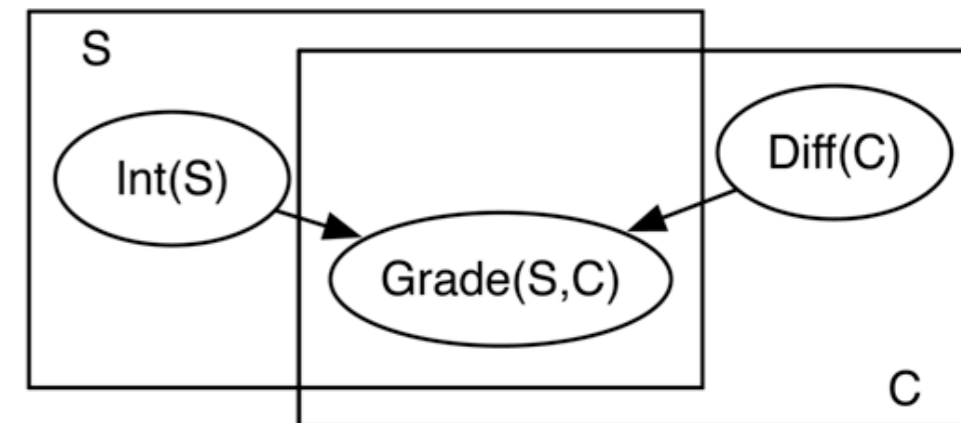
- S, C **logical variable** representing students, courses
- the set of individuals of a type is called a **population**
- $\text{Int}(S), \text{Grade}(S, C), \text{D}(C)$ are **parametrized random variables**

Grounding:

- for every student s , there is a random variable $\text{Int}(s)$
- for every course c , there is a random variable $\text{D}_i(c)$
- for every s, c pair there is a random variable $\text{Grade}(s,c)$
- all instances share the same structure and parameters



ProbLog by example: Grading



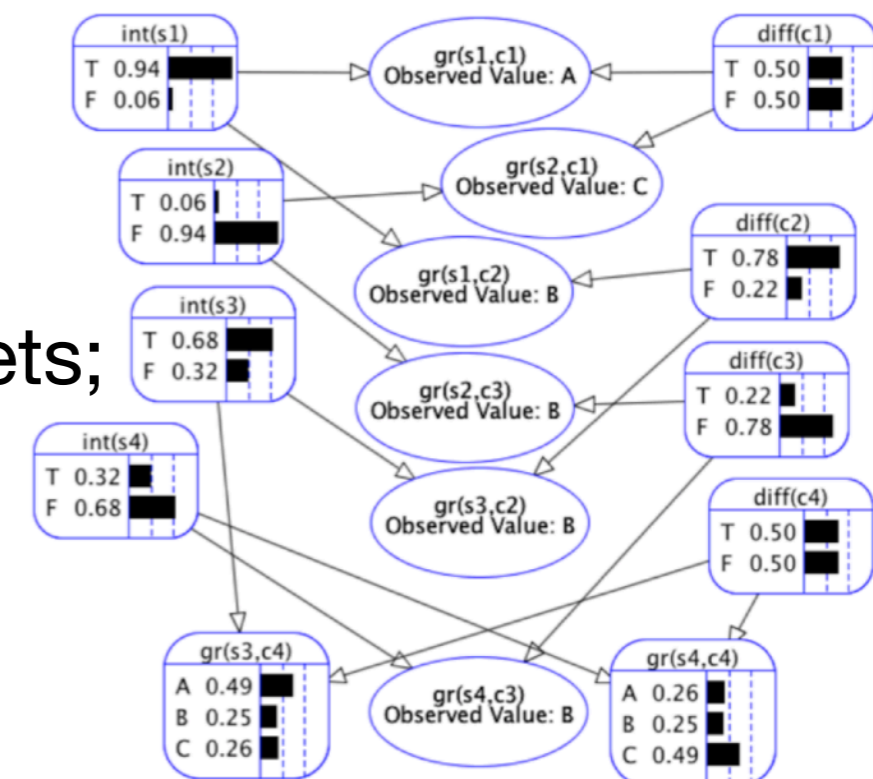
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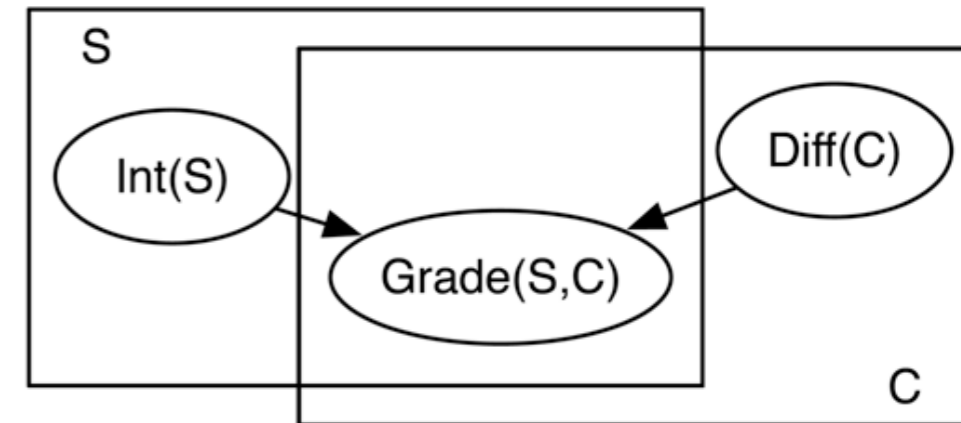
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With SRL / PP

- build and learn compact models,
- from one set of individuals - > other sets;
- reason also about exchangeability,
- build even more complex models,
- incorporate background knowledge



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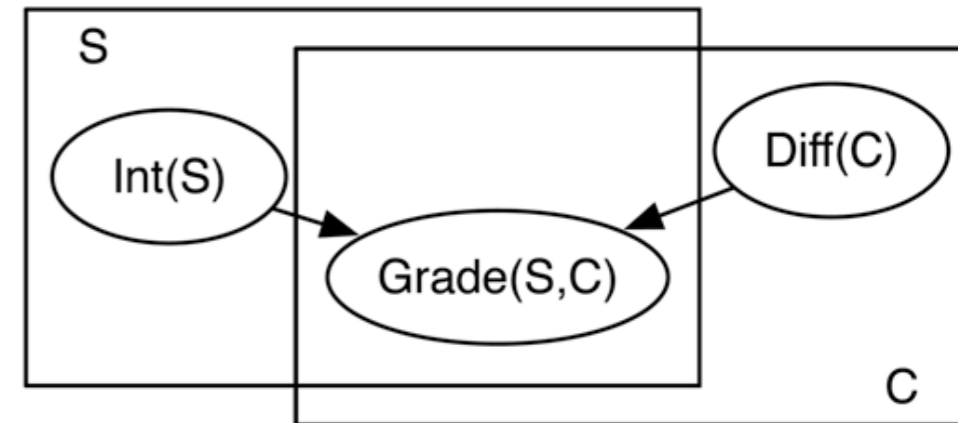
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<i>Student</i>	<i>Course</i>	<i>Grade</i>
s_1	c_1	A
s_2	c_1	C
s_1	c_2	B
s_2	c_3	B
s_3	c_2	B
s_4	c_3	B
s_3	c_4	$?$
s_4	c_4	$?$

ProbLog by example: Grading



```
0.4 :: int(S) :- student(S).  
0.5 :: diff(C) :- course(C).
```

```
student(john). student(anna). student(bob).  
course(ai). course(ml). course(cs).
```

```
gr(S,C,a) :- int(S), not diff(C).
```

```
0.3 :: gr(S,C,a); 0.5 :: gr(S,C,b); 0.2 :: gr(S,C,c) :-  
int(S), diff(C).
```

```
0.1 :: gr(S,C,b); 0.2 :: gr(S,C,c); 0.2 :: gr(S,C,f) :-  
student(S), course(C),  
not int(S), not diff(C).
```

```
0.3 :: gr(S,C,c); 0.2 :: gr(S,C,f) :-  
not int(S), diff(C).
```

ProbLog by example: Grading

```
unsatisfactory(S) :- student(S), grade(S,C,f).
```

```
excellent(S) :- student(S), not(grade(S,C1,G),below(G,a)),  
                grade(S,C2,a).
```

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0.4 :: int(S) :- student(S).
```

```
0.5 :: diff(C) :- course(C).
```

```
student(john). student(anna). student(bob).  
course(ai).    course(ml).    course(cs).
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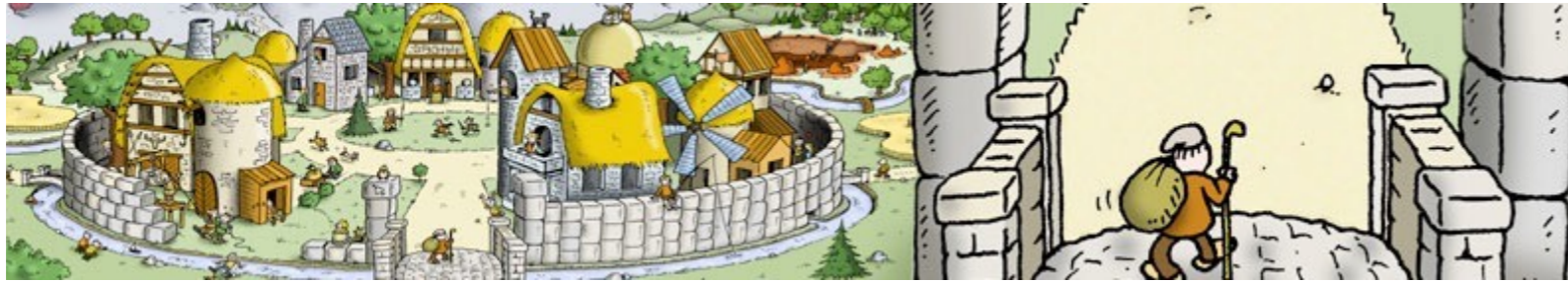
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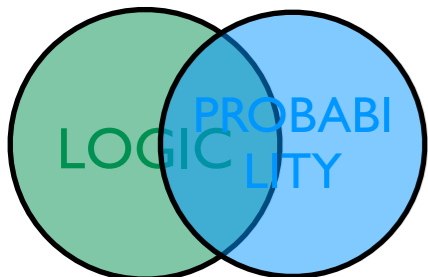
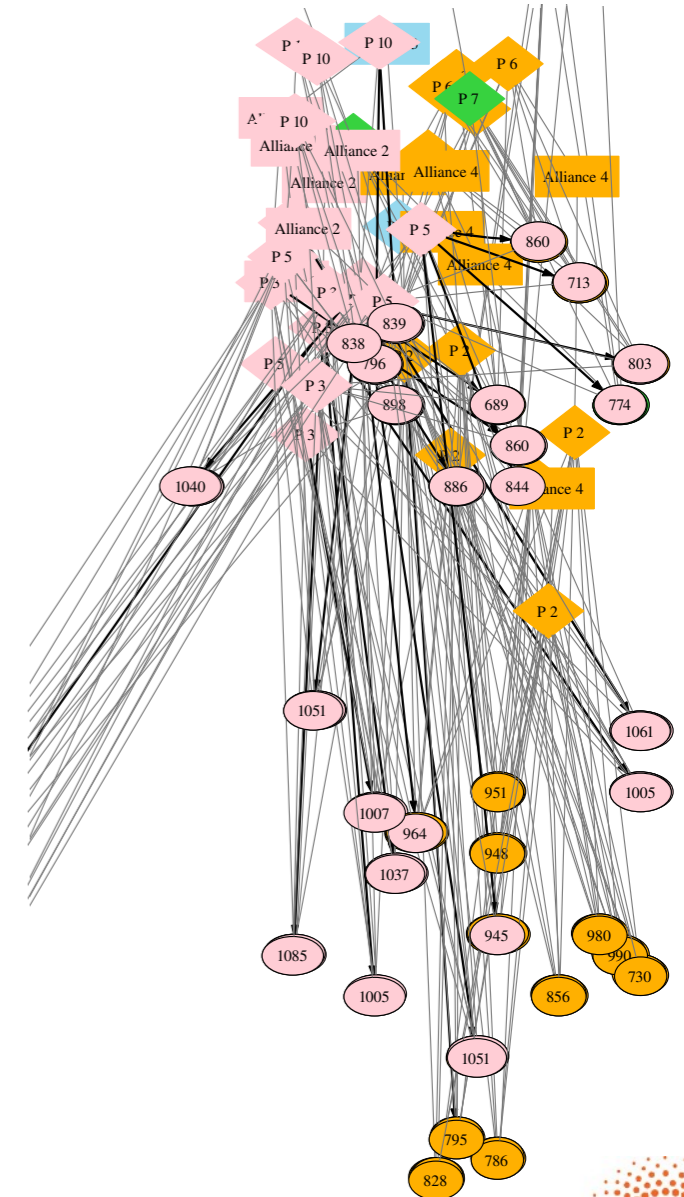
Dynamic networks



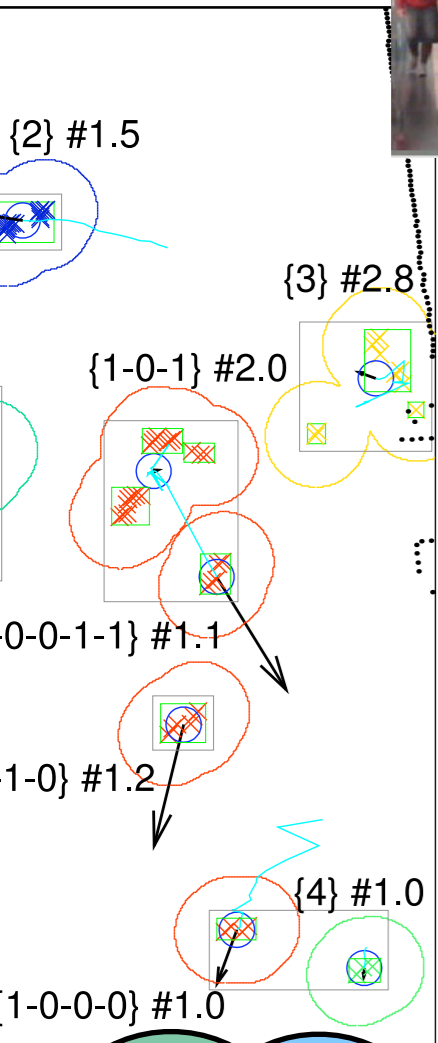
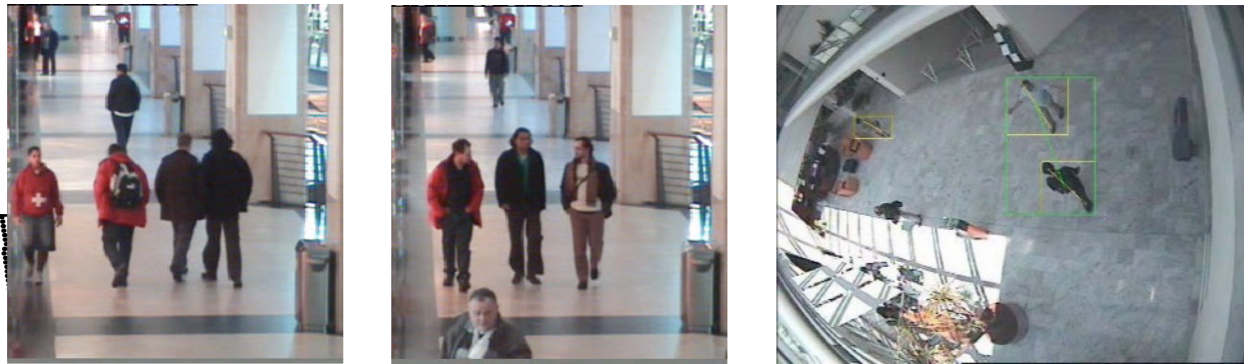
Travian: A massively multiplayer real-time strategy game

Can we build a model of this world ?

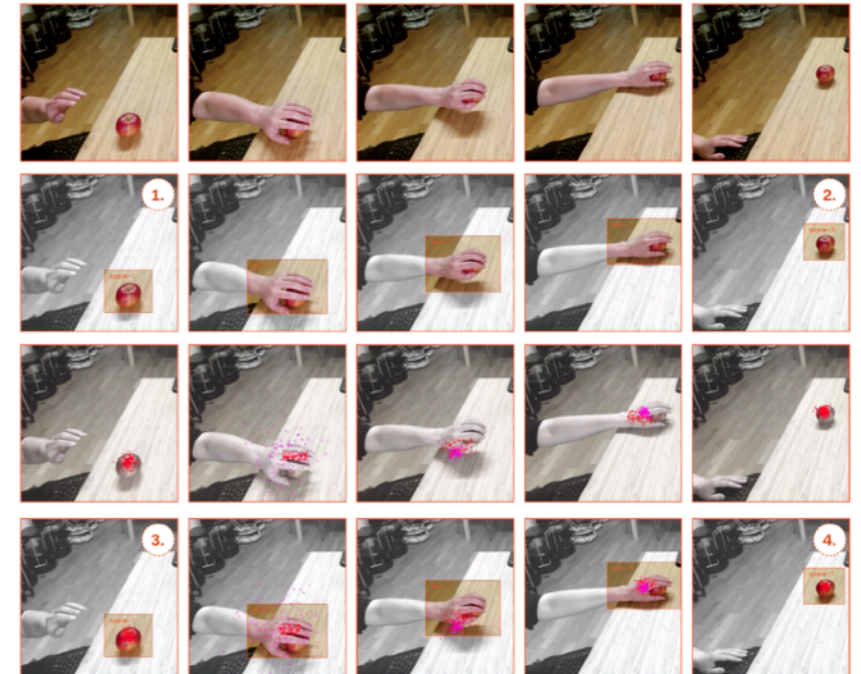
Can we use it for playing better ?



Activity analysis and tracking video analysis

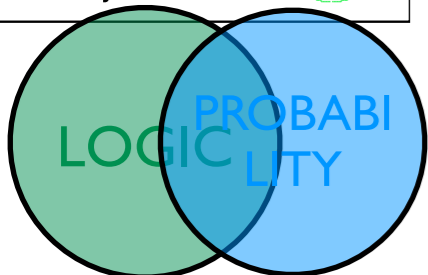


- Track people or objects over time? Even if temporarily hidden?
- Recognize activities?
- Infer object properties?



[Skarlatidis et al, TPLP 14;
Nitti et al, IROS 13, ICRA 14,
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[Persson et al, IEEE Trans on
Cogn. & Dev. Sys. 19;
IJCAI 20]



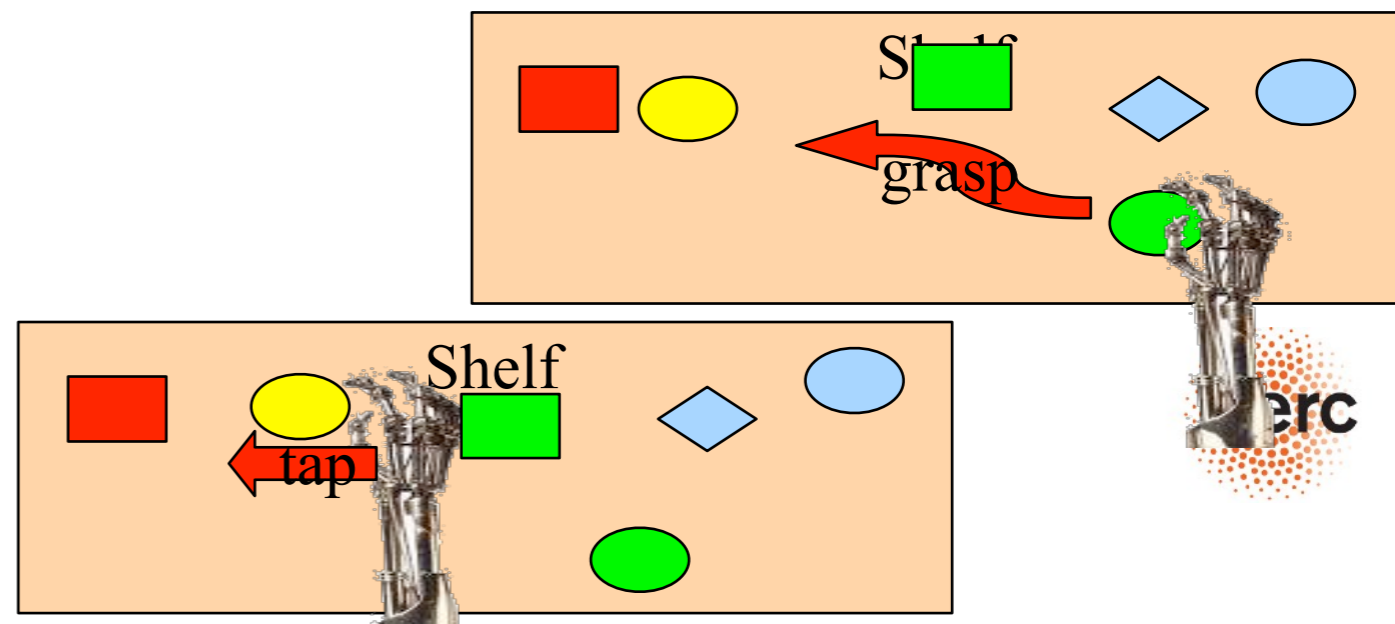
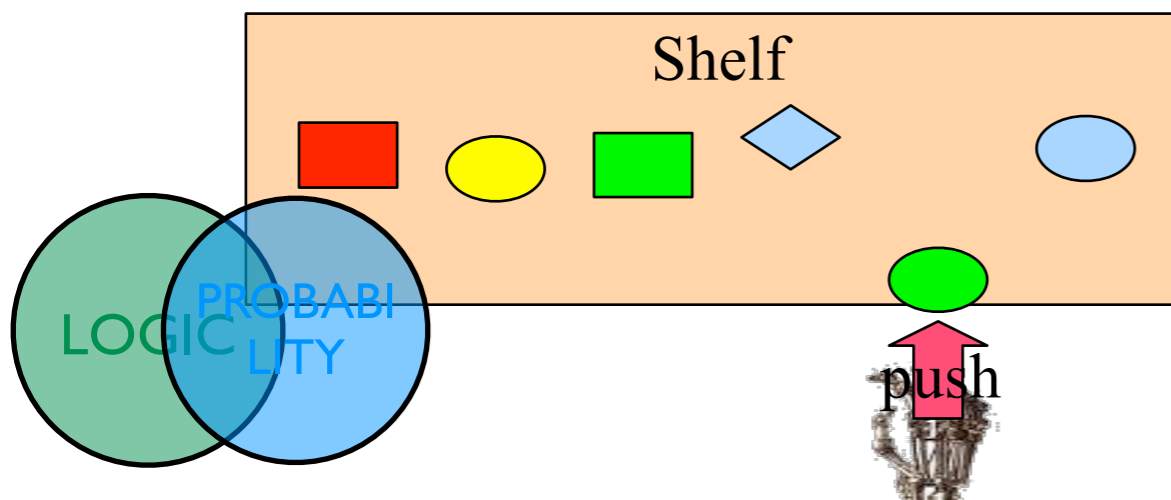
Learning relational affordances



Learning relational affordances between two objects (learnt by experience)

1), and similar to probabilistic Strips (with continuous distributions)

Moldovan et al. ICRA 12, 13, 14; Auton. Robots 18



Distributional Clauses (DC)

- Discrete- and continuous-valued random variables

random variable with Gaussian distribution

```
length(Obj) ~ gaussian(6.0,0.45) :- type(Obj,glass).
```

```
stackable(OBot,OTop) :-
```

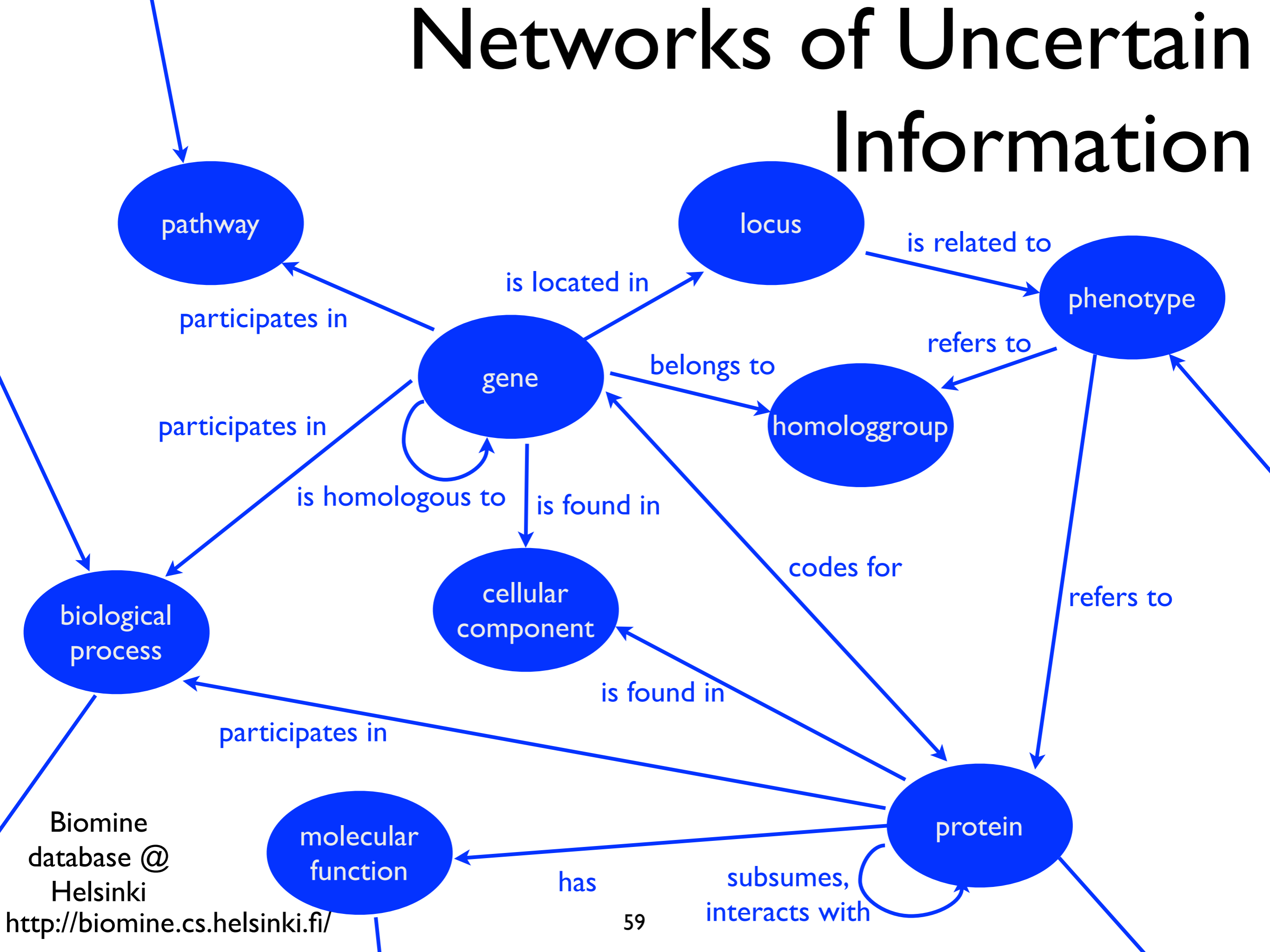
```
    ≈length(OBot) ≥ ≈length(OTop),
```

```
    ≈width(OBot) ≥ ≈width(OTop).
```

comparing values of
random variables

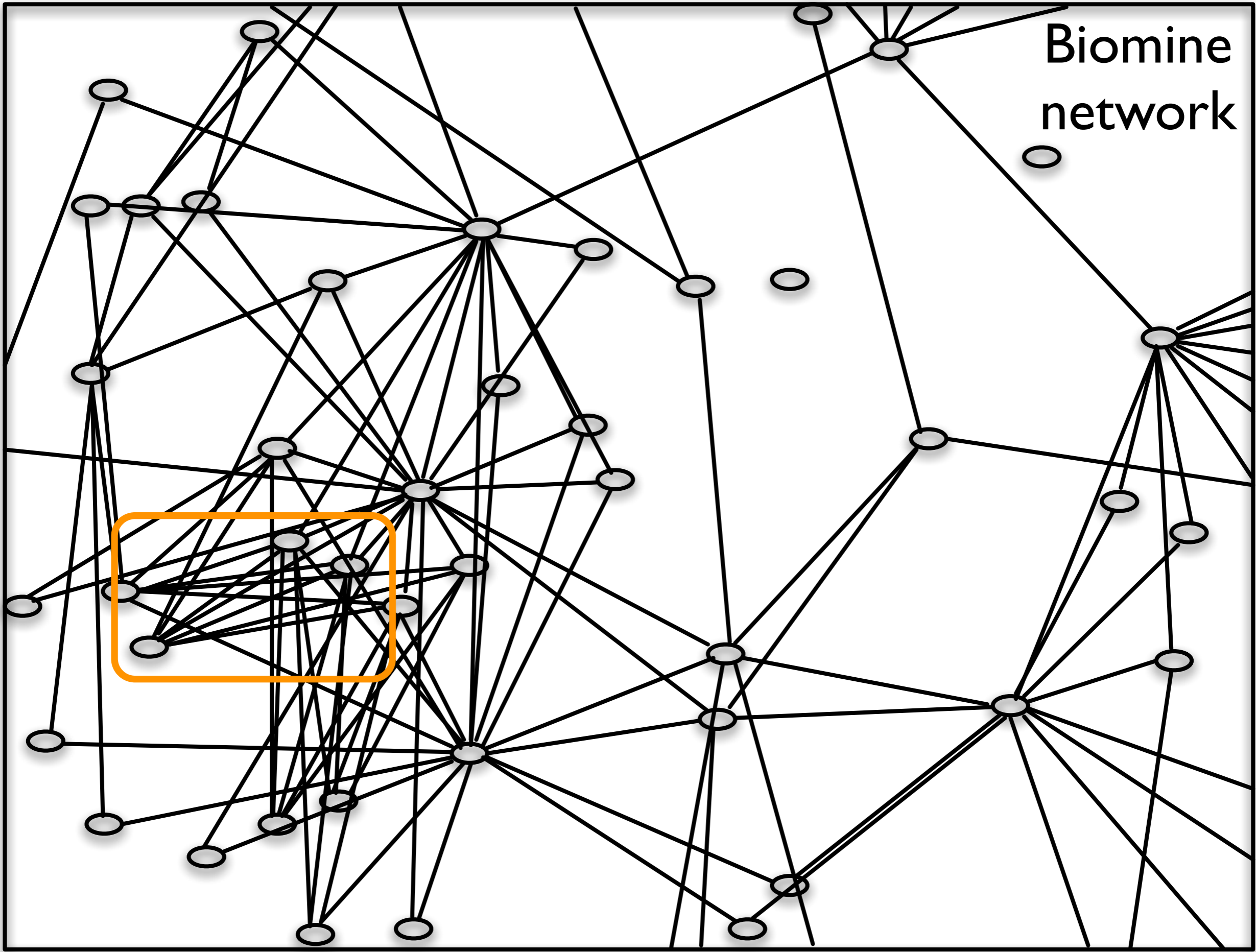


Networks of Uncertain Information



Biomine
database @
Helsinki
<http://biomine.cs.helsinki.fi/>

Biomine network



Notch receptor processing

Biological

GO:GO

BiologicalProces

receptor processing
alProcess
GO:GO:0007220

-participates_in
0.220

presenilin 2

Gene

EntrezGene:817

Gene

- different types of nodes & links
- automatically extracted from text databases, ...
- probabilities quantifying source reliability, extractor confidence, ...
- similar in other contexts, e.g., linked open data, NELL@CMU, ...

Biology

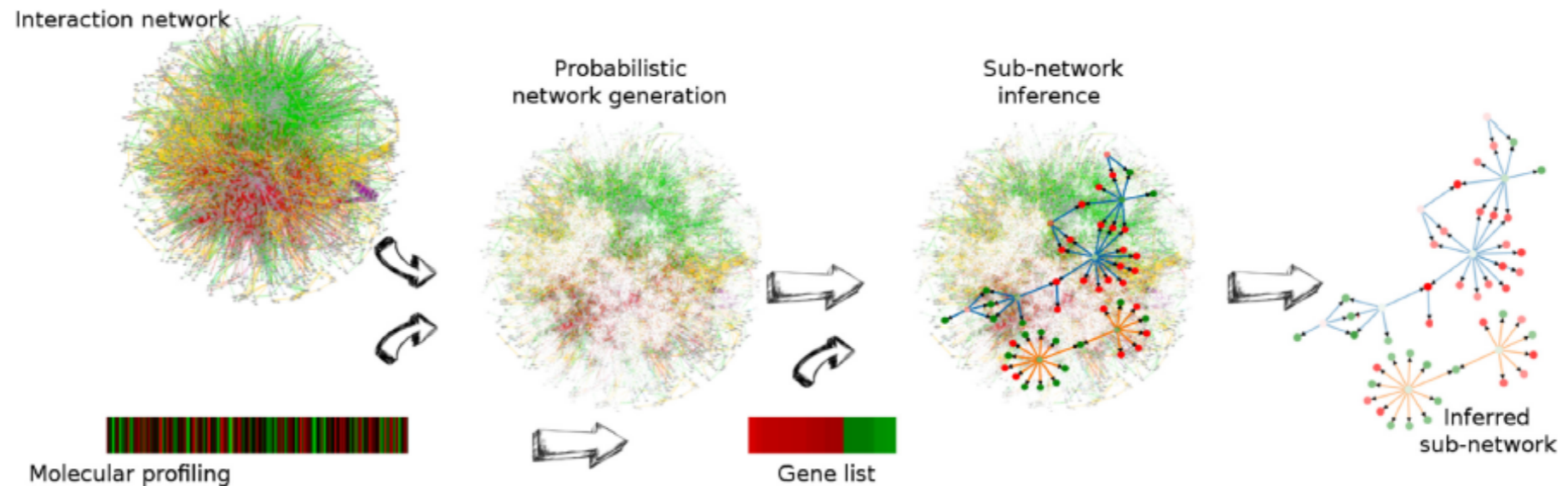
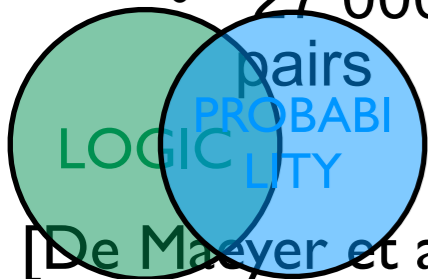
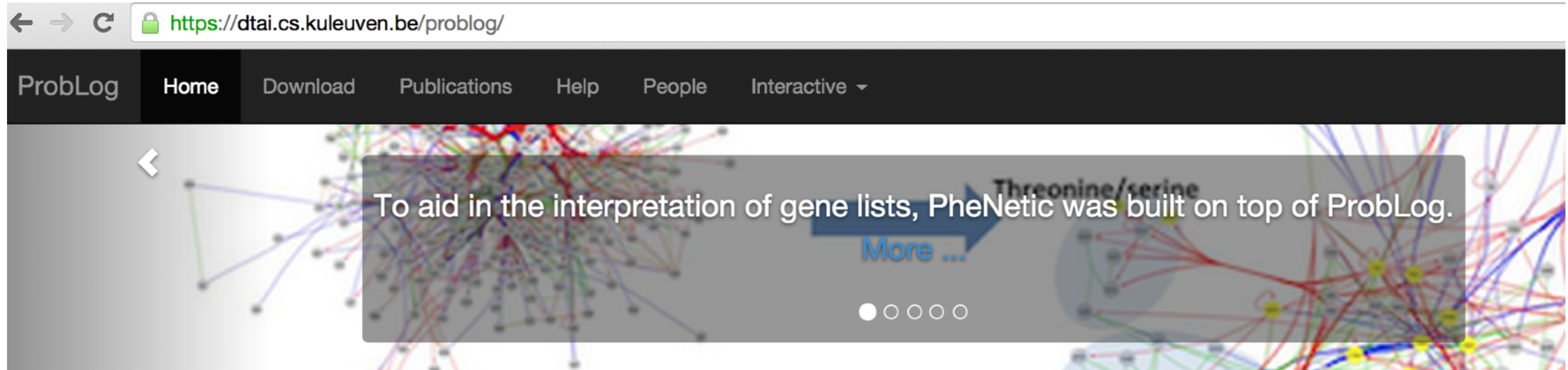


Figure 1. Overview of PheNetic, a web service for network-based interpretation of ‘omics’ data. The web service uses as input a genome wide interaction network for the organism of interest, a user generated molecular profiling data set and a gene list derived from these data. Interaction networks for a wide variety of organisms are readily available from the web server. Using the uploaded user-generated molecular data the interaction network is converted into a probabilistic network: edges receive a probability proportional to the levels measured for the terminal nodes in the molecular profiling data set. This probabilistic interaction network is used to infer the sub-network that best links the genes from the gene list. The inferred sub-network provides a trade-off between linking as many genes as possible from the gene list and selecting the least number of edges.

- Causes: Mutations
 - All related to similar phenotype
 - Effects: Differentially expressed genes
 - 27 000 cause effect pairs
- Interaction network:
 - 3063 nodes
 - Genes
 - Proteins
 - 16794 edges
 - Molecular interactions
 - Uncertain
- Goal: connect causes to effects through common subnetwork
 - = Find mechanism
 - Techniques:
 - DTPProbLog
 - Approximate inference





Introduction.

Probabilistic logic programs are logic programs in which some of the facts are annotated with probabilities.

ProbLog is a tool that allows you to intuitively build programs that do not only encode **complex interactions** between a large sets of **heterogenous components** but **uncertainties** that are present in real-life situations.

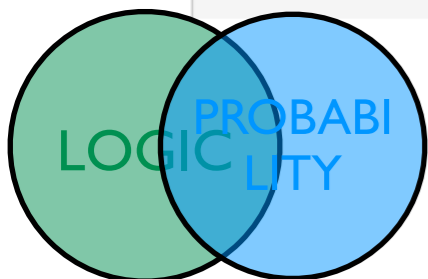
The engine tackles several tasks such as computing the marginals given evidence and learning from (partial) interpretations. ProbLog is a suite of efficient algorithms tasks. It is based on a conversion of the program and the queries and evidence to a weighted Boolean formula. This allows us to reduce the inference tasks to well-s weighted model counting, which can be solved using state-of-the-art methods known from the graphical model and knowledge compilation literature.

The Language. Probabilistic Logic Programming.

ProbLog makes it easy to express complex, probabilistic models.

```
0.3::stress(X) :- person(X).
0.2::influences(X,Y) :- person(X), person(Y).

smokes(X) :- stress(X).
smokes(X) :- friend(X,Y), influences(Y,X), smokes(Y).
```



Probabilistic Programming Languages outside LP

- IBAL [Pfeffer 01]
- Figaro [Pfeffer 09]
- Church [Goodman et al 08]
- BLOG [Milch et al 05]
- Stan & Edward & Anglican
- and many more appearing recently such

Church

probabilistic functional programming

[Goodman et al, UAI 08]

several possible executions

```
(define randplus5  
  (lambda (x) (if (flip 0.6)  
                  (+ x 5)  
                  x)))  
  
(map randplus5 '(1 2 3))
```

probabilistic primitives + functional program
→ distribution over possible executions

Dealing with
primitivity

Reasoning with
probabilistic data

one execution

```
(define plus5 (lambda (x) (+ x 5)))  
  
(map plus5 '(1 2 3))
```

Learning

Church vs ProbLog

```
(define randplus5 (lambda (x) (if (flip 0.6) (+ x 5) x)))
```

```
(map randplus5 '(1 2))
```

Church result: (1 2) with 0.4×0.4

(1 7) with 0.4×0.6

(6 2) with 0.6×0.4

(6 7) with 0.6×0.6

```
0.4::p5(N,N);0.6::p5(N,M) :- M is N+5.
```

```
lp5([],[]).
```

```
lp5([N|L],[M|K]) :-
```

```
  p5(N,M),
```

```
  lp5(L,K).
```

```
query(lp5([1,2],_)).
```

ProbLog result: (1 2) with 0.4×0.4

(1 7) with 0.4×0.6

(6 2) with 0.6×0.4

(6 7) with 0.6×0.6

results for [1,1]?

```
(define randplus5 (lambda (x) (if (flip 0.6) (+ x 5) x)))
```

```
(map randplus5 '(1 1))
```

Church result: (1 1) with 0.4×0.4

(1 6) with 0.4×0.6

(6 1) with 0.6×0.4

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ProbLog result: (1 1) with 0.4

(1 6) with 0.0

(6 1) with 0.0

(6 6) with 0.6

stochastic memoization

Solution

```
(define randplus5 (lambda (x) (if (flip 0.6) (+ x 5) x)))  
  
(map randplus5 '(1 1))
```

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lp5([N|L], [M|K]) :-  
    p5(N,M,L),  
    lp5(L,K).
```

identifier distinguishes calls

```
query(lp5([1,1],_)).
```

Stochastic Memoization

```
(define randplus5 (mem (lambda (x) (if (flip 0.6) (+ x 5) x))))
```

```
(map randplus5 '(1 1))
```



remember first value &
reuse for all later calls

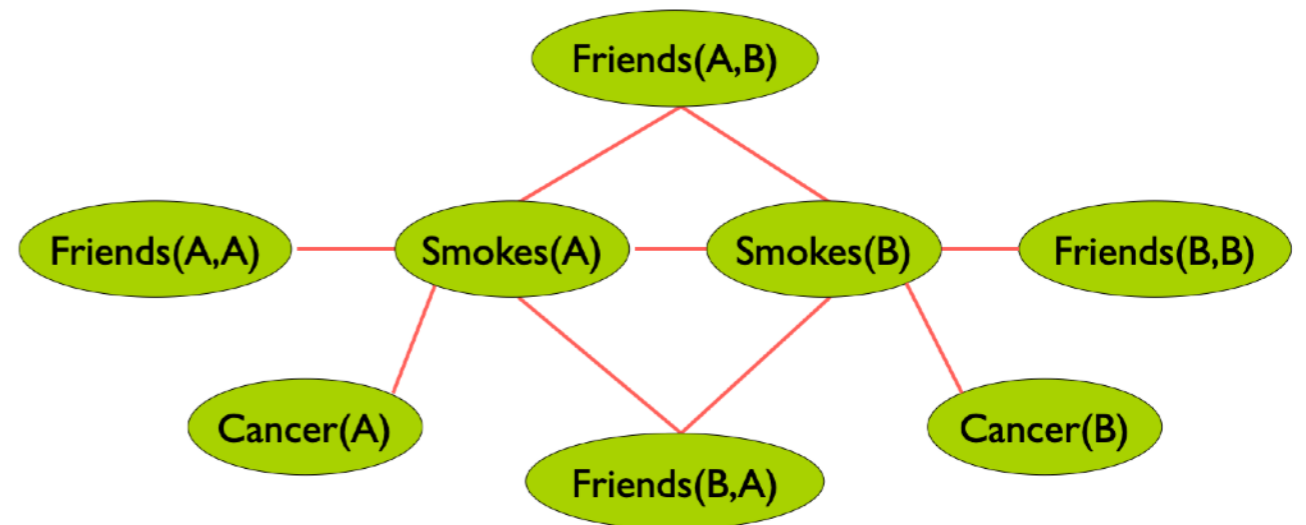
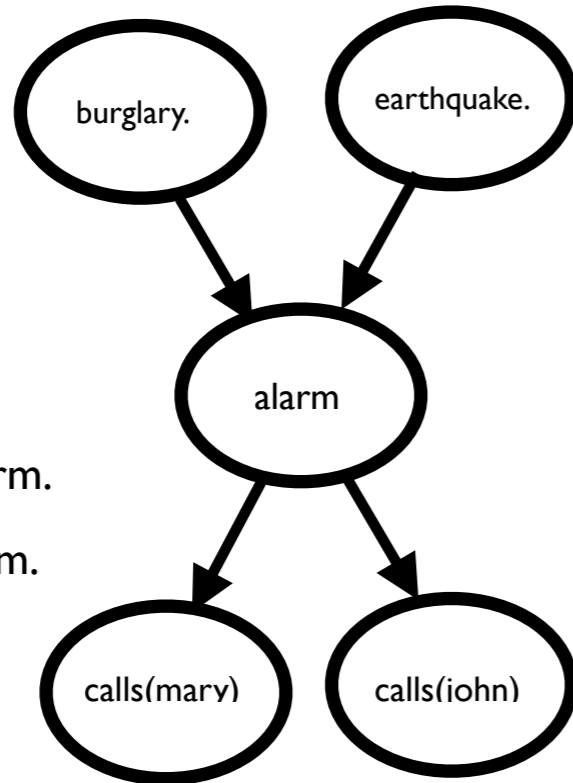
ProbLog always memoizes

PRISM never memoizes

Church allows fine-grained choice

2. Directed vs Undirected the PGM / StarAI dimension

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 alarm :- earthquake.
 alarm :- burglary.
 0.7::calls(mary) :- alarm.
 0.6::calls(john) :- alarm.



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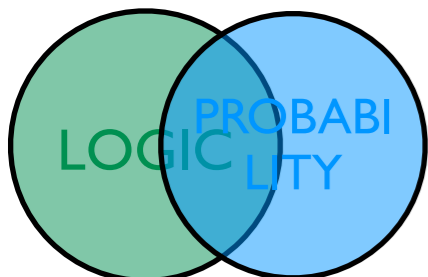
**Probabilistic Logic Programs
 ProbLog**

**directed
 Bayesian Net**

Markov Logic

**undirected
 Markov Net
 model theoretic**

key representatives



Markov Logic: Intuition

- *Undirected graphical model*
- A logical KB is a set of **hard constraints** on the set of possible worlds
- Let's make them **soft constraints**:
When a world violates a formula,
it becomes less probable, not impossible
- Give each formula a **weight**
(Higher weight \Rightarrow Stronger constraint)

$$P(\text{world}) \propto \exp\left(\sum \text{weights of formulas it satisfies}\right)$$



A possible worlds view

Say we have two domain elements **Anna** and **Bob** as well as two predicates **Friends** and **Happy**

$\neg \text{Friends}(\text{Anna}, \text{Bob})$		
$\text{Friends}(\text{Anna}, \text{Bob})$		
	$\neg \text{Happy}(\text{Bob})$	$\text{Happy}(\text{Bob})$

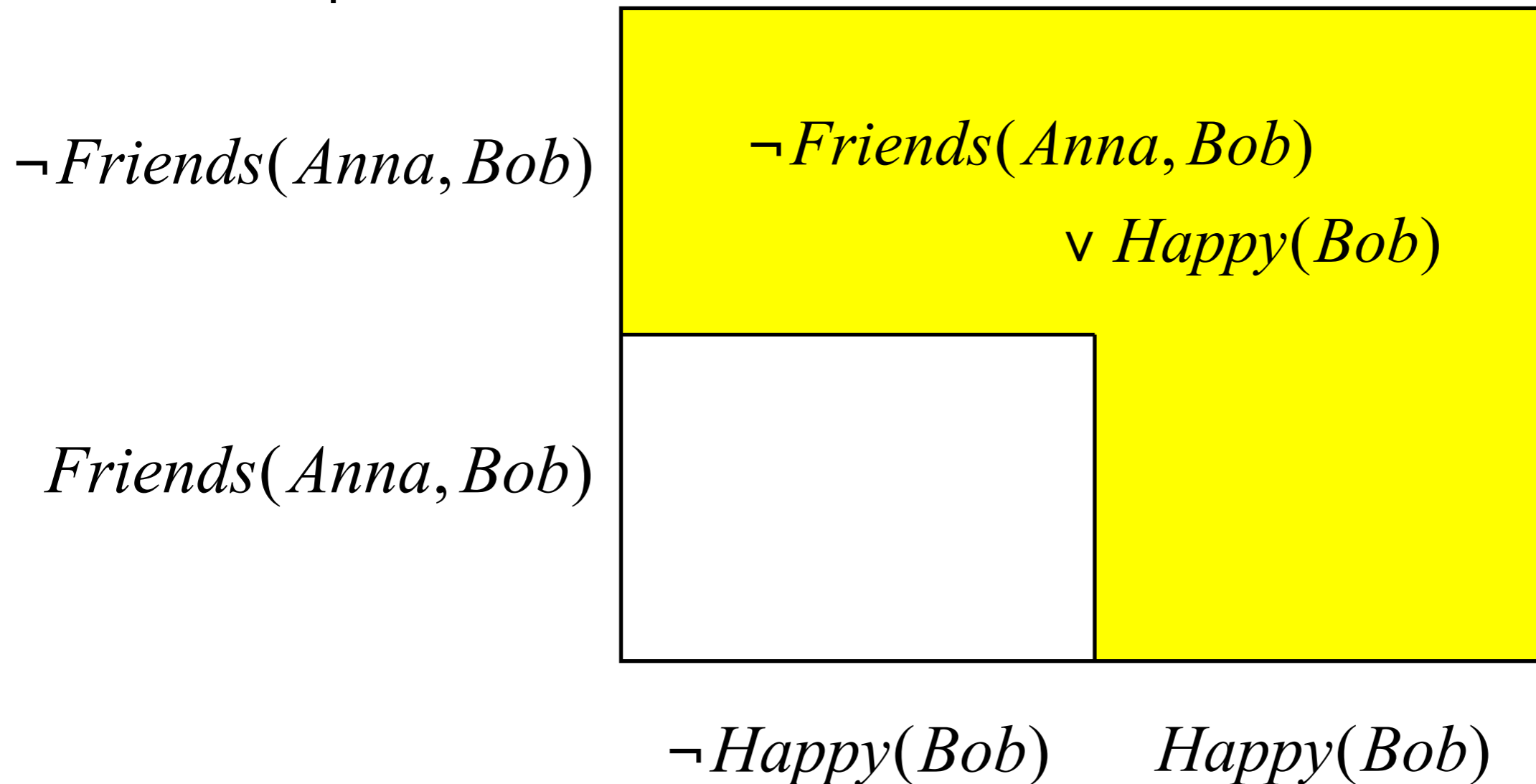


A possible worlds view

Logical formulas such as

not Friends(Anna,Bob) or Happy(Bob)

exclude possible worlds



A possible worlds view

four times as likely that rule holds

$$\Phi(\neg \text{Friends}(\text{Anna}, \text{Bob}) \vee \text{Happy}(\text{Bob})) = 1$$

$$\Phi(\text{Friends}(\text{Anna}, \text{Bob}) \wedge \neg \text{Happy}(\text{Bob})) = 0.75$$

$\neg \text{Friends}(\text{Anna}, \text{Bob})$	1	1
$\text{Friends}(\text{Anna}, \text{Bob})$	0.75	1
	$\neg \text{Happy}(\text{Bob})$	$\text{Happy}(\text{Bob})$



A possible worlds view

Or as log-linear model this is:

$$w(\Phi(\neg Friends(Anna, Bob) \vee Happy(Bob)))$$

$$= \log(1 / 0.75) = 0.29$$

$\neg Friends(Anna, Bob)$	1	1
$Friends(Anna, Bob)$	0.75	1
	$\neg Happy(Bob)$	$Happy(Bob)$



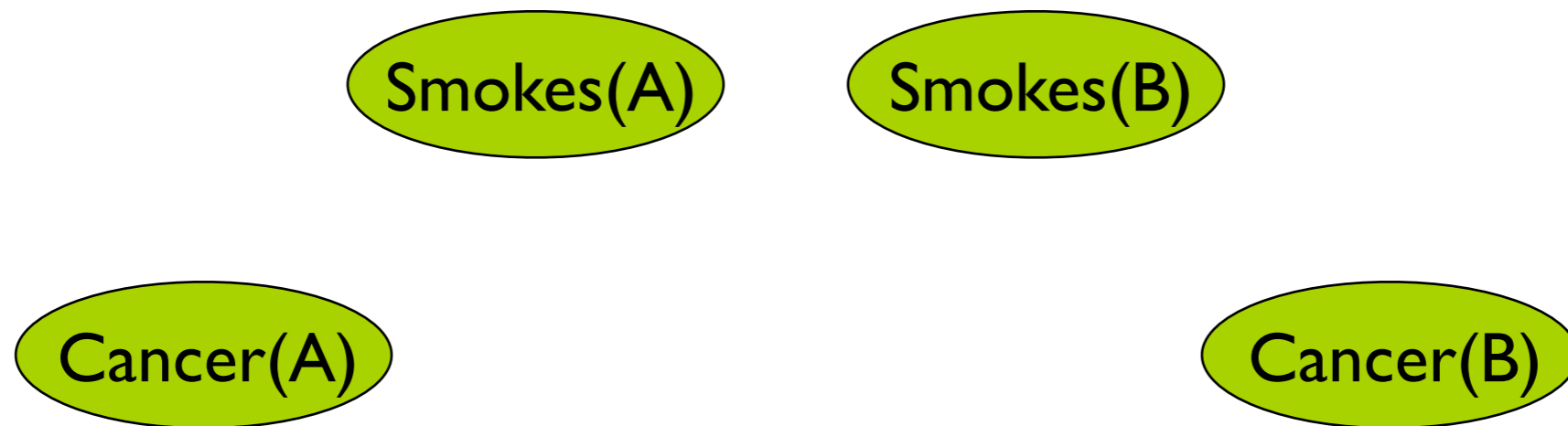
This can also be viewed as ⁷⁵ building a graphical model

Markov Logic

1.5 $\forall x \text{Smokes}(x) \Rightarrow \text{Cancer}(x)$

1.1 $\forall x, y \text{Friends}(x, y) \Rightarrow (\text{Smokes}(x) \Leftrightarrow \text{Smokes}(y))$

Suppose we have two constants: **Anna (A)** and **Bob (B)**

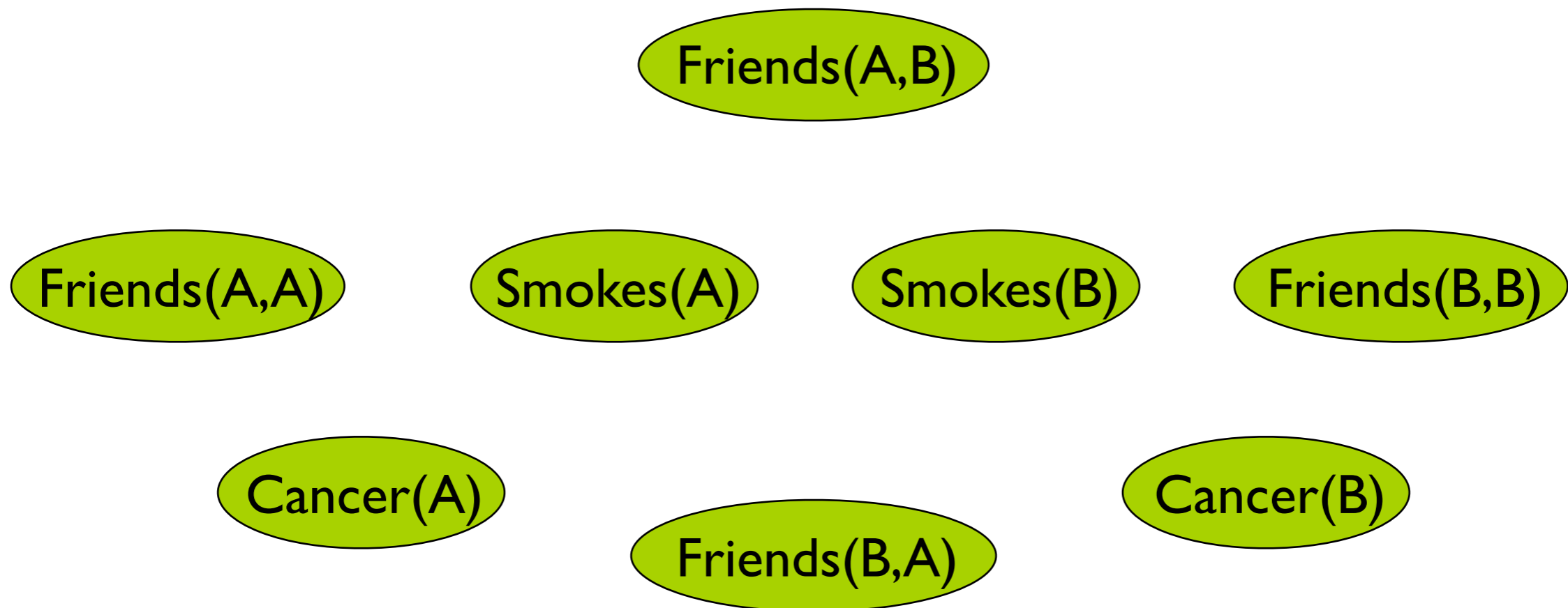


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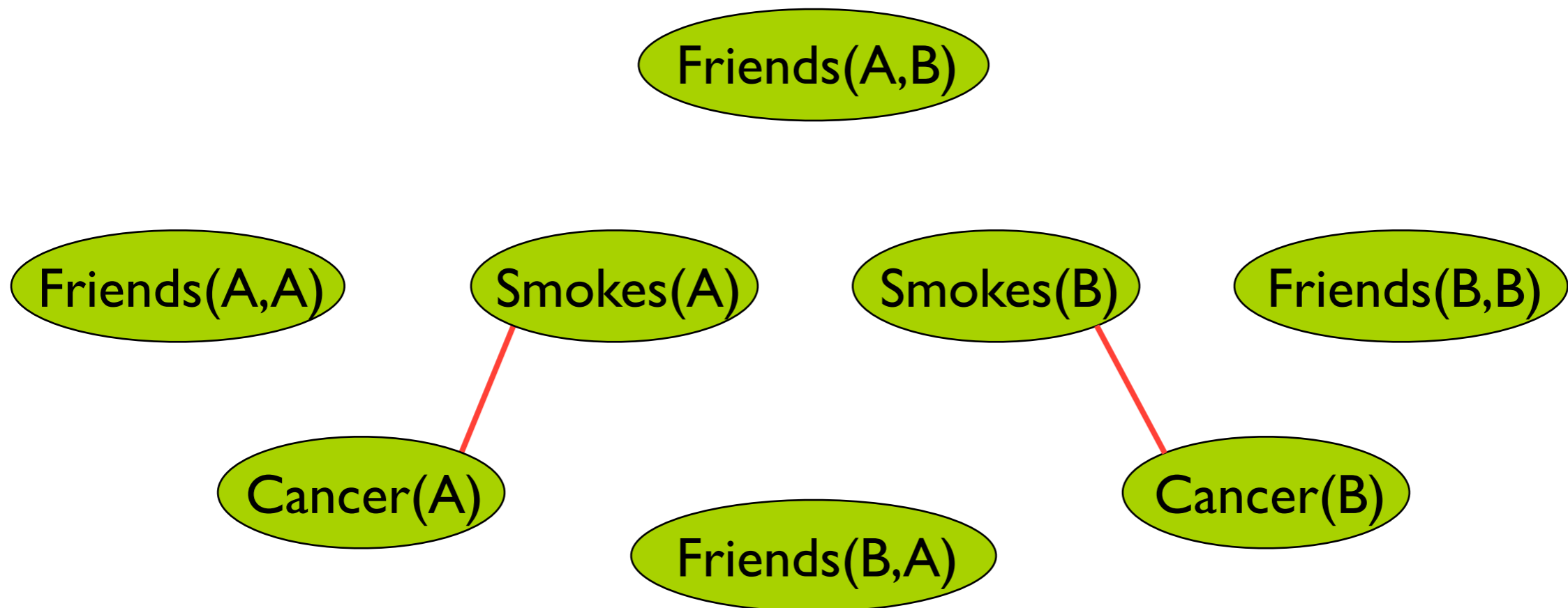


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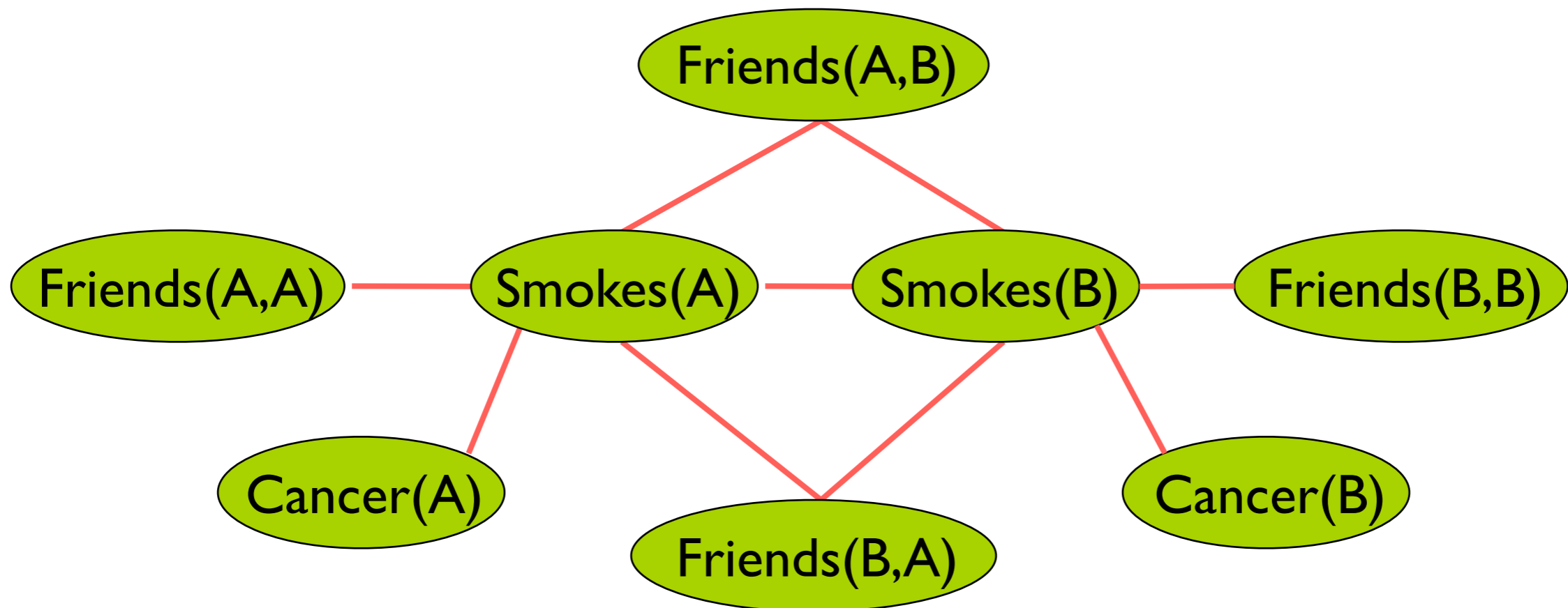


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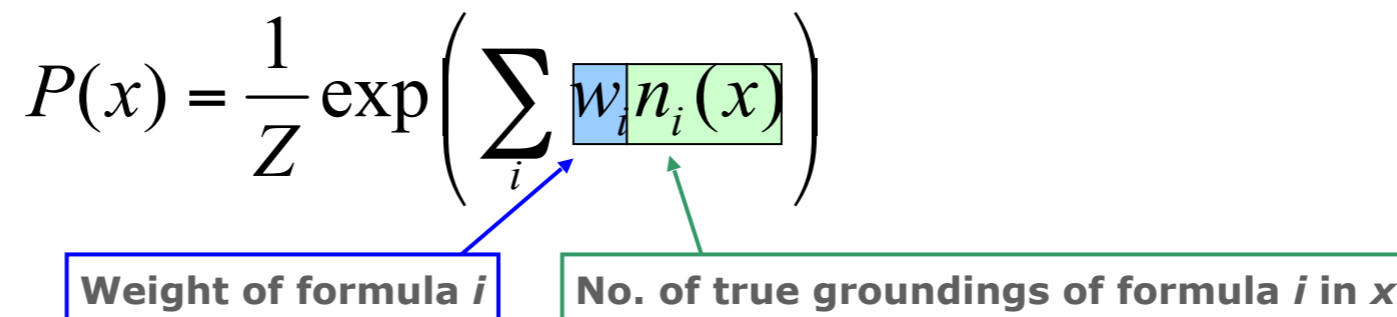
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Markov Logic

- A Markov Logic Network (MLN) is a set of pairs (F, w) where
 - F is a formula in first-order logic
 - w is a real number
- An MLN defines a Markov network with
 - One node for each grounding of each predicate in the MLN
 - One feature for each grounding of each formula F in the MLN, with the corresponding weight w
- Probability of a world

$$P(x) = \frac{1}{Z} \exp \left(\sum_i w_i n_i(x) \right)$$



Possible Worlds

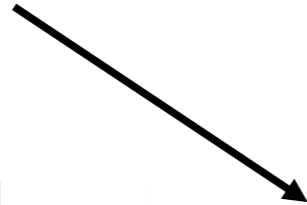
A vocabulary

Smokes(Alice)	Smokes(Bob)	Friends(Alice,Bob)	Friends(Bob,Alice)
0	0	0	0
⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮
1	0	1	0
⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮
1	1	1	1

Possible worlds
Logical interpretations

Possible Worlds

A logical theory



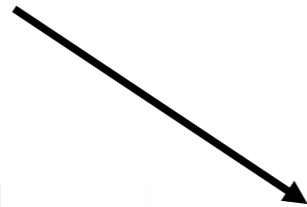
$$\forall x,y, \text{Smokes}(x) \wedge \text{Friends}(x,y) \Rightarrow \text{Smokes}(y)$$

Smokes(Alice)	Smokes(Bob)	Friends(Alice,Bob)	Friends(Bob,Alice)	theory
0	0	0	0	1
⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮
1	0	1	0	0
⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮
1	1	1	1	1

Interpretations that satisfy the theory
Models

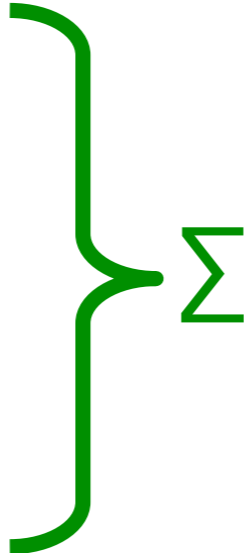
First-Order Model Counting

A logical theory



$$\forall x,y, \text{Smokes}(x) \wedge \text{Friends}(x,y) \Rightarrow \text{Smokes}(y)$$

Smokes(Alice)	Smokes(Bob)	Friends(Alice,Bob)	Friends(Bob,Alice)	theory
0	0	0	0	1
⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮
1	0	1	0	0
⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮
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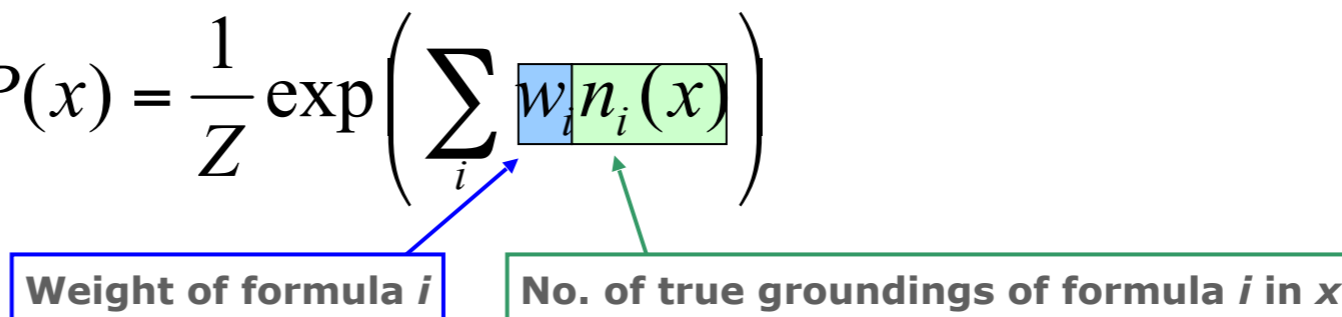


First-order model count
 $\sim \#SAT$

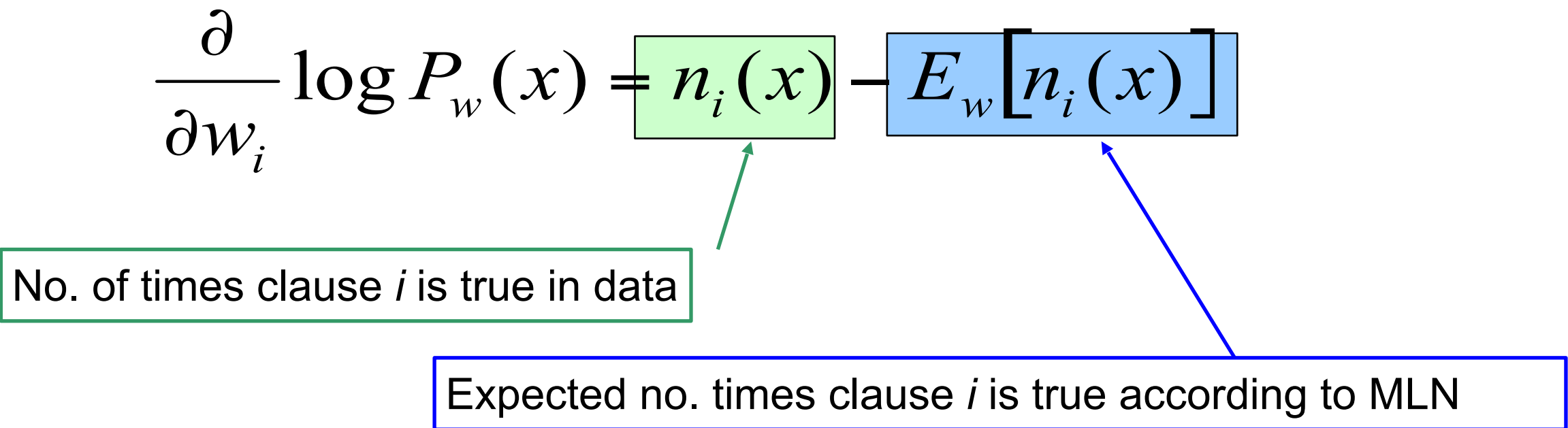
Markov Logic

- A Markov Logic Network (MLN) is a set of pairs (F, w) where
 - F is a formula in first-order logic
 - w is a real number
- An MLN defines a Markov network with
 - One node for each grounding of each predicate in the MLN
 - One feature for each grounding of each formula F in the MLN, with the corresponding weight w
- Probability of a world

$$P(x) = \frac{1}{Z} \exp \left(\sum_i w_i n_i(x) \right)$$



Parameter Learning

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial w_i} \log P_w(x) = n_i(x) - E_w[n_i(x)]$$
The equation is presented with the term $n_i(x)$ enclosed in a light green box and $E_w[n_i(x)]$ enclosed in a light blue box. A green arrow points from the green box to a green-bordered text box below it. A blue arrow points from the blue box to a blue-bordered text box below it.

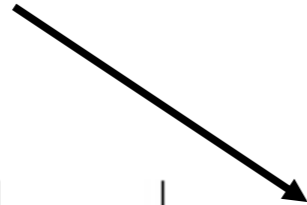
No. of times clause i is true in data

Expected no. times clause i is true according to MLN

Has been used for generative learning (Pseudolikelihood);
Many variations (also discriminative);
applications in networks, NLP, bioinformatics, ...

Markov Logic

A Markov Logic theory



Smokes(Alice)	Smokes(Bob)	Friends(Alice,Bob)	Friends(Bob,Alice)	theory
0	0	0	0	$\frac{1}{Z} \exp(1.5 * 2)$
1	0	1	0	$\frac{1}{Z} \exp(1.5 * 1)$
1	1	1	1	$\frac{1}{Z} \exp(1.5 * 2)$

$1.5 \forall x,y, \text{Smokes}(x) \wedge \text{Friends}(x,y) \Rightarrow \text{Smokes}(y)$

counting only substitutions for which $X \neq Y$
 $X=\text{Alice}, Y=\text{Bob}$
 $X=\text{Bob}, Y=\text{Alice}$

Markov Logic

A Markov Logic theory

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Σ Z partition function

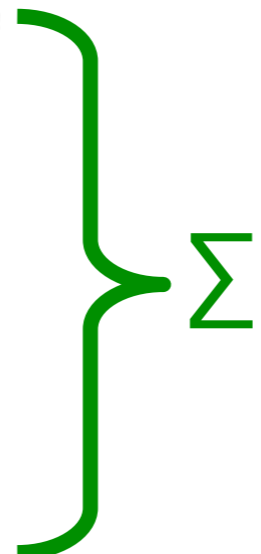
Weighted First-Order Model Counting

A logical theory and a weight function for predicates

Smokes(Alice)	Smokes(Bob)	Friends(Alice,Bob)	Friends(Bob,Alice)	theory	weight
0	0	0	0	1	$2 \cdot 2 \cdot 1 \cdot 1$
⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮
1	0	1	0	0	0
⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮
1	1	1	1	1	$1 \cdot 1 \cdot 4 \cdot 4$

↙

Smokes	→	1
¬Smokes	→	2
Friends	→	4
¬Friends	→	1



Weighted first-order model count

Related to ProbLog Inference !

Applications

- Natural language processing, Collective Classification, Social Networks, Activity Recognition, ...

Alchemy: Open Source AI

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Related Links

Welcome to the Alchemy system! Alchemy is a software package providing a series of algorithms for statistical relational learning and probabilistic logic inference, based on the Markov logic representation. Alchemy allows you to easily develop a wide range of AI applications, including:

- Collective classification
- Link prediction
- Entity resolution
- Social network modeling
- Information extraction

Choose a version of Alchemy:

[Alchemy Lite](#)

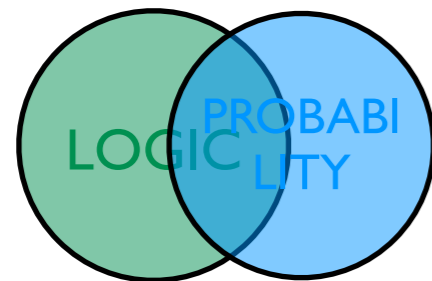
Alchemy Lite is a software package for inference in Tractable Markov Logic (TML), the first tractable first-order probabilistic logic. Alchemy Lite allows for fast, exact inference for models formulated in TML. Alchemy Lite can be used in batch or interactive mode.



Why StarAI ?

- Reasoning (Probability + Logic) AND Learning
- SRL : Expressive Probabilistic Graphical Models
 - First order logic results supports entities + relationships + background knowledge — abstraction of multiple entities
 - Recursion (e.g. smokers cannot be represented by a plate model)
- PP : Power of a universal Turing machine = a prog. language
 - you can program in it and have builtin expressive prob. models
 - PP can learn -> so bring learning to programming languages
- ProbLog fits both paradigms

Inference



Inference / Reasoning

- Most of the work in PP and StarAI is on inference
 - It is hard (complexity wise)
 - Many inference methods
 - exact, approximate, sampling and lifted ...
- Inference is the key to learning

Two Steps

- **Logical inference** -
 - about a ground logical theory
 - proofs or model theoretic ...
 - *Result: Weighted Model Counting problem*
- **Probabilistic propositional inference** —
 - Knowledge Compilation
 - Backtracking search — DPLL, VE, RC based
- **Advanced** — lifted inference

ProbLog Inference

Answering a query in a ProbLog program happens in four steps

1. Grounding the program w.r.t. the query
- 2. Rewrite the ground logic program into a propositional logic formula**
3. Compile the formula into an arithmetic circuit
4. Evaluate the arithmetic circuit

0.1 :: burglary.

0.5 :: hears_alarm(mary).

0.2 :: earthquake.

0.4 :: hears_alarm(john).

alarm :- earthquake.

alarm :- burglary.

calls(mary) :- alarm, hears_alarm(mary).

calls(john) :- alarm, hears_alarm(john).

calls(mary)

\Leftrightarrow

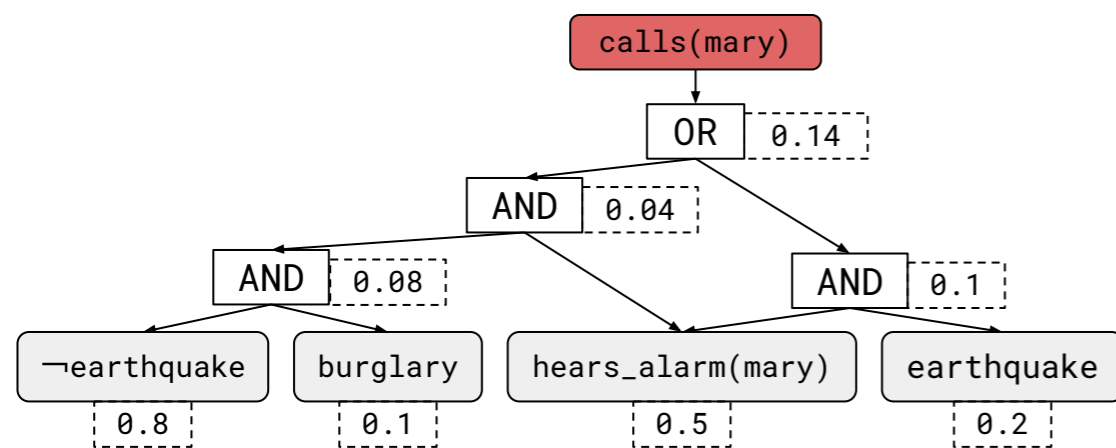
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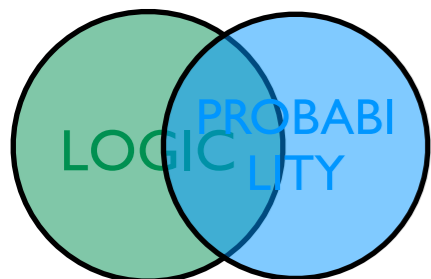
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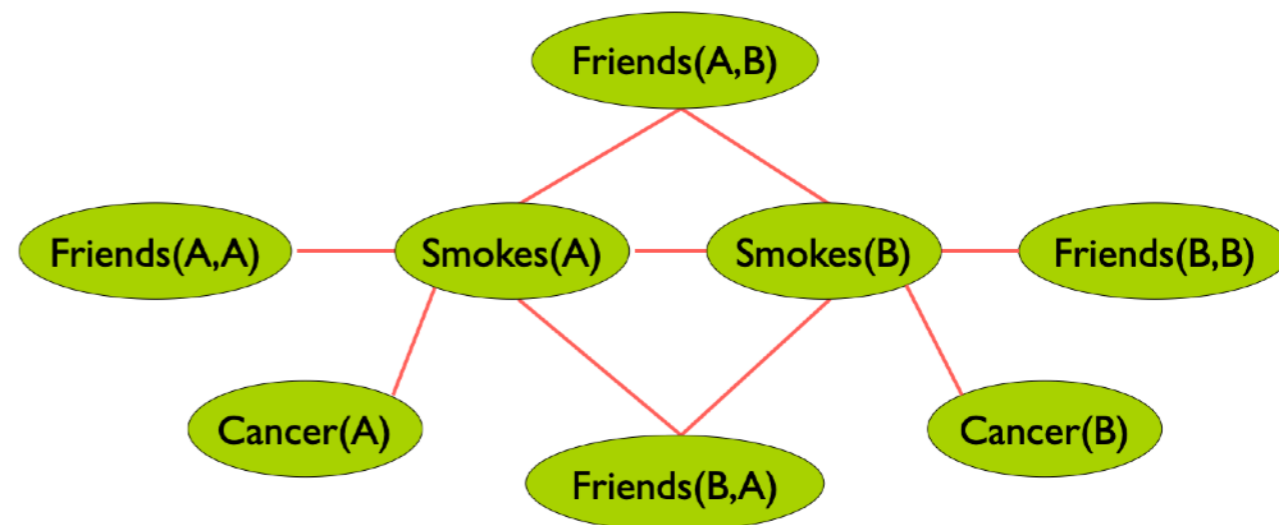
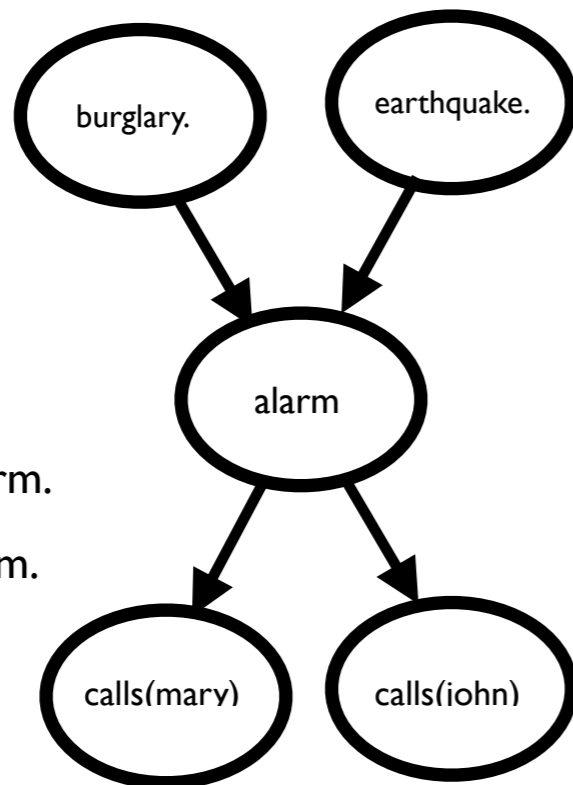
\Leftrightarrow

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2. Directed vs Undirected the PGM / StarAI dimension

0.1 :: burglary.
 0.05 :: earthquake.
 alarm :- earthquake.
 alarm :- burglary.
 0.7::calls(mary) :- alarm.
 0.6::calls(john) :- alarm.



$$1.5 \quad \forall x \text{ Smokes}(x) \Rightarrow \text{Cancer}(x)$$

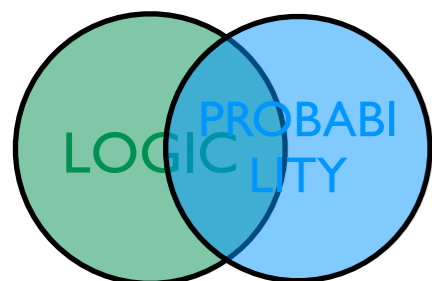
$$1.1 \quad \forall x, y \text{ Friends}(x, y) \Rightarrow (\text{Smokes}(x) \Leftrightarrow \text{Smokes}(y))$$

**Probabilistic Logic Programs
 ProbLog**

**directed
 Bayesian Net**

Markov Logic

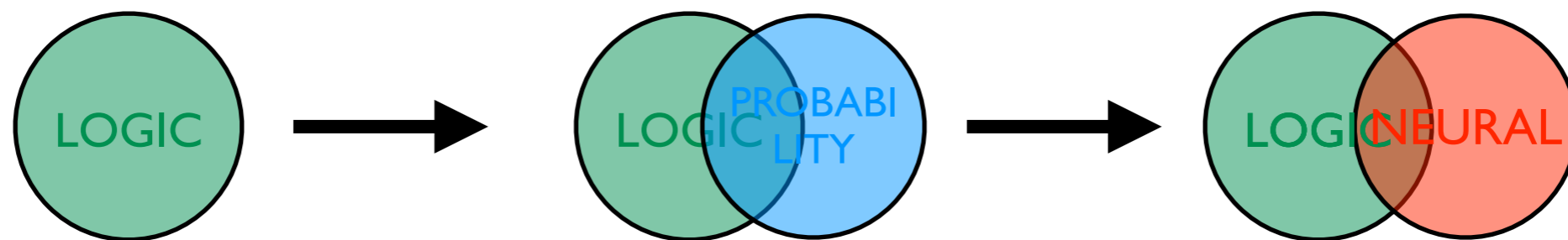
**undirected
 Markov Net
 model theoretic**

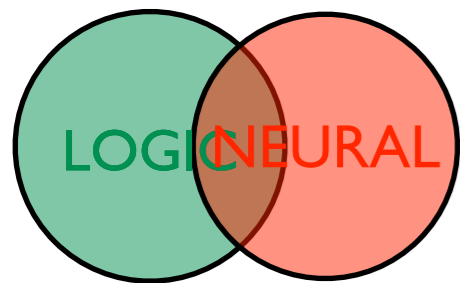


key representatives



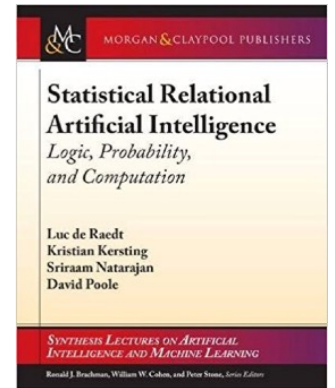
1. Proof vs Model based
2. Directed vs Undirected





2. Directed vs Undirected the NeSy dimension

Two types of Neural Symbolic Systems



Just like in StarAI

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directed StarAI approach and logic programs

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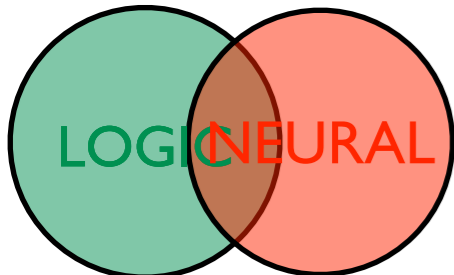
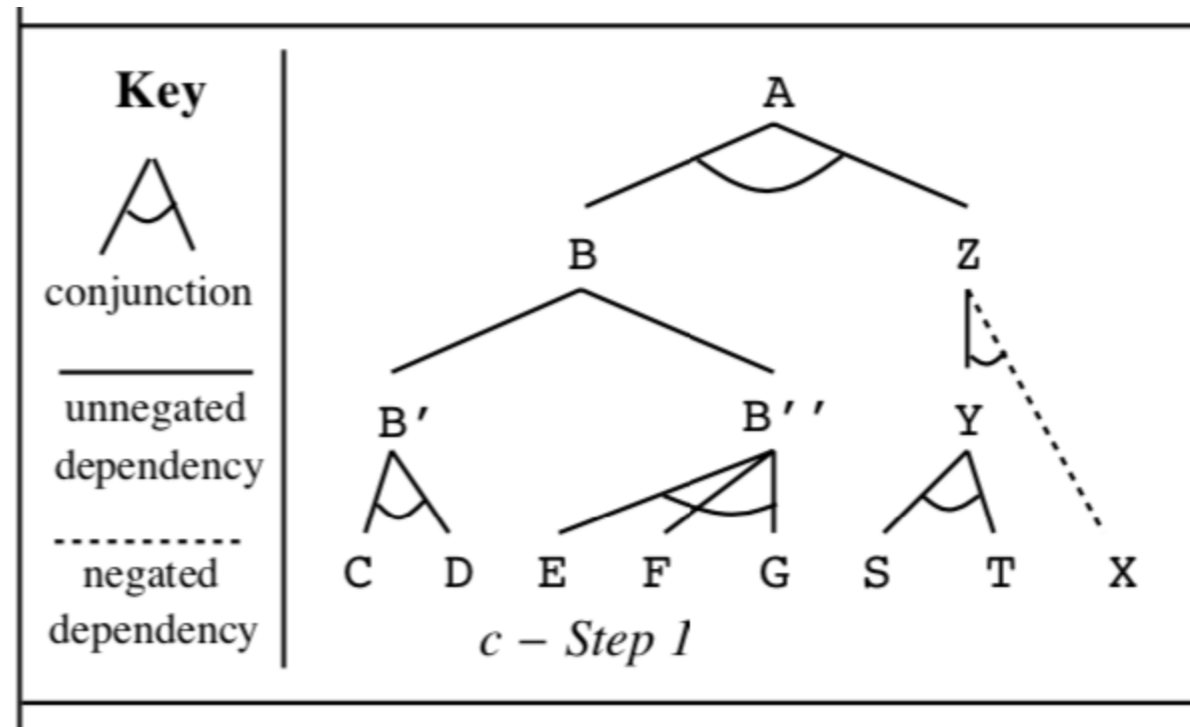


Logic as a neural program

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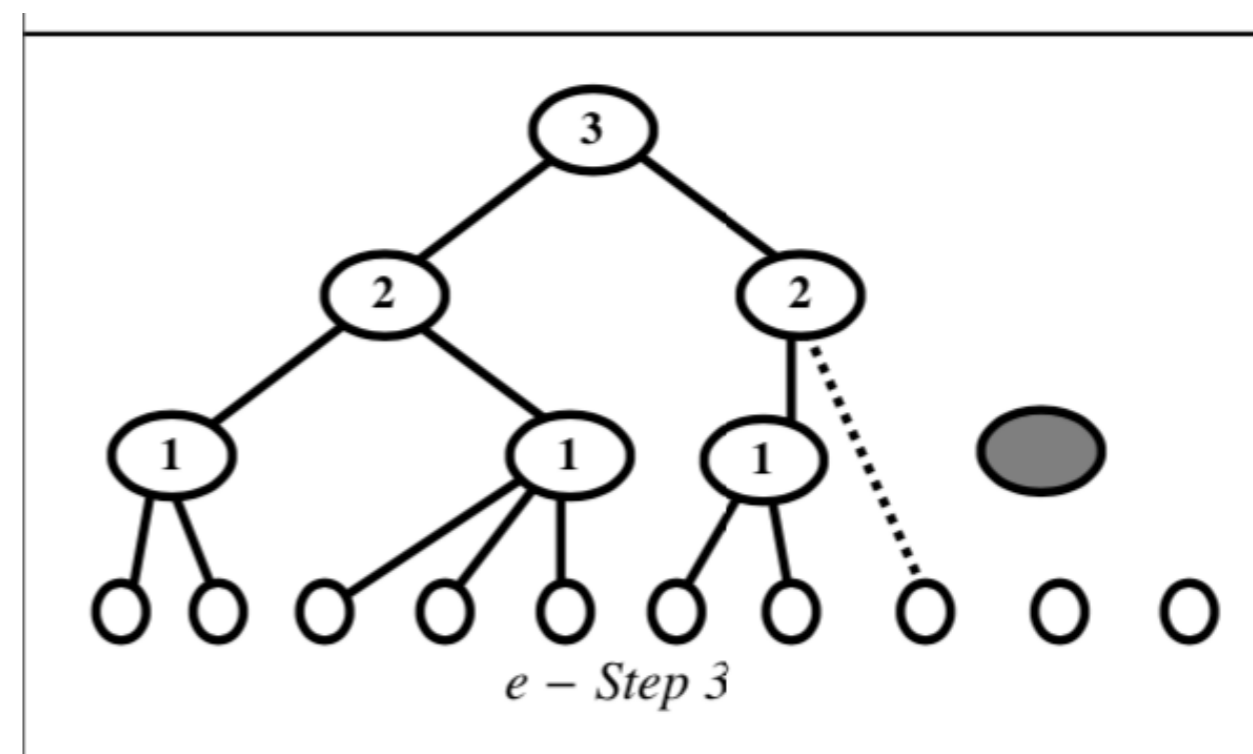
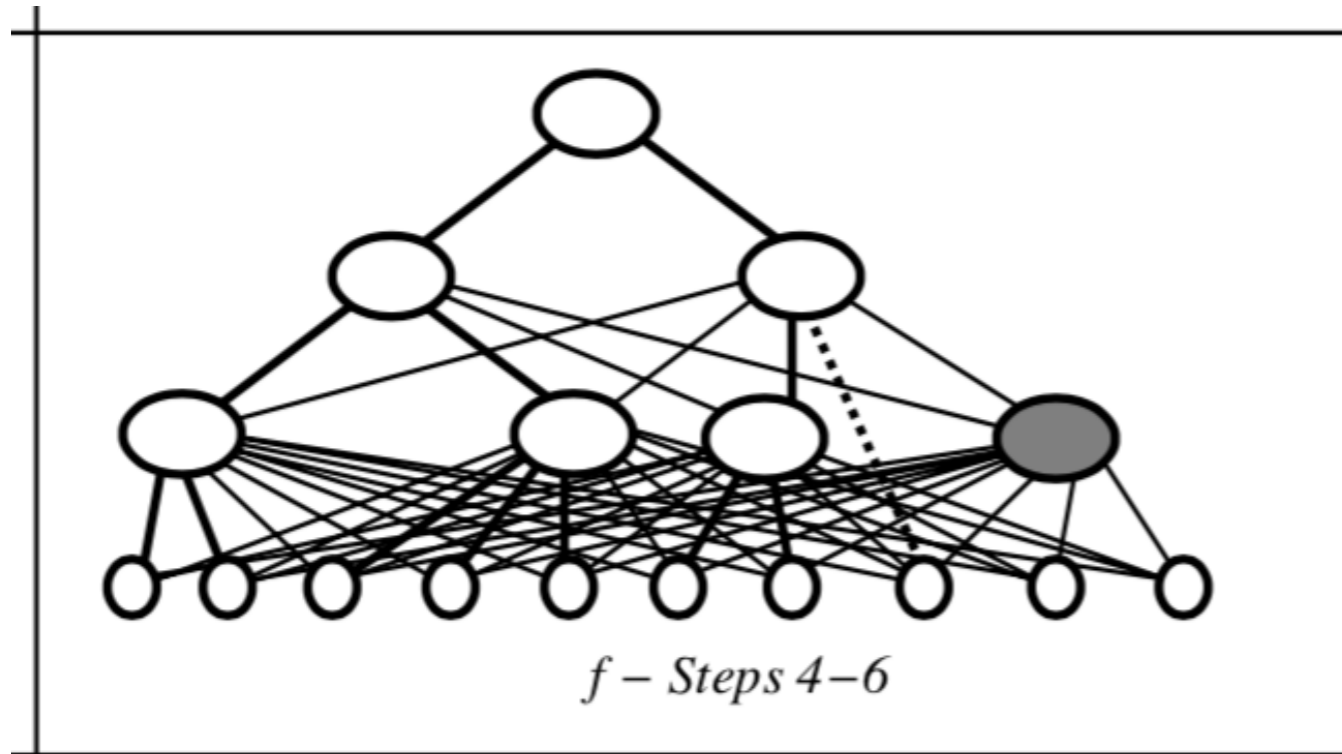
- KBANN (Towell and Shavlik AIJ 94)
- Turn a (propositional) Prolog program into a neural network and learn

A :- B, Z. REWRITE	A :- B, Z.
B :- C, D.	B :- B'.
B :- E, F, G.	B :- B''.
Z :- Y, not X.	B' :- C, D.
Y :- S, T.	B'' :- E, F, G.
	Z :- Y, not X.
	Y :- S, T.



Logic as a neural program

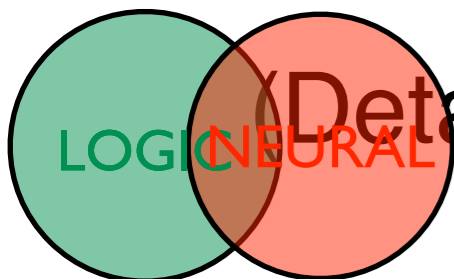
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ADD LINKS — ALSO SPURIOUS ONES

HIDDEN UNIT

and then learn

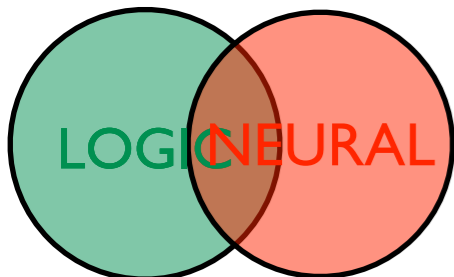
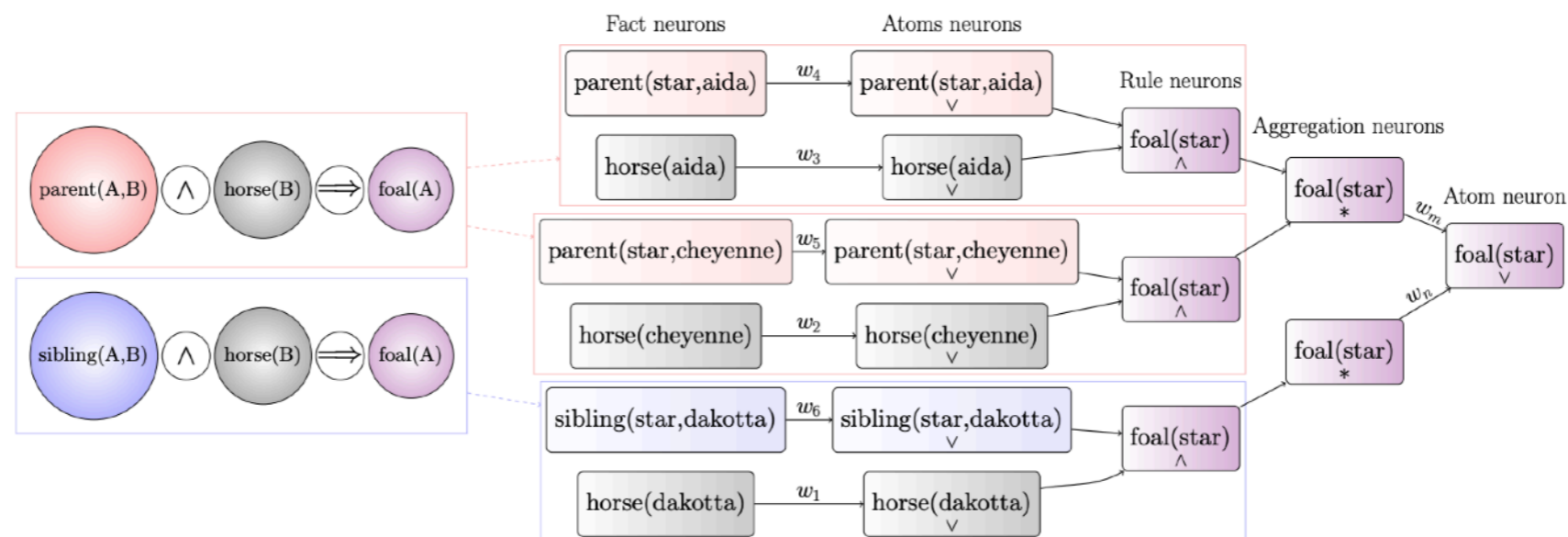


(Details of activation & loss functions not mentioned)erc

Lifted Relational Neural Networks

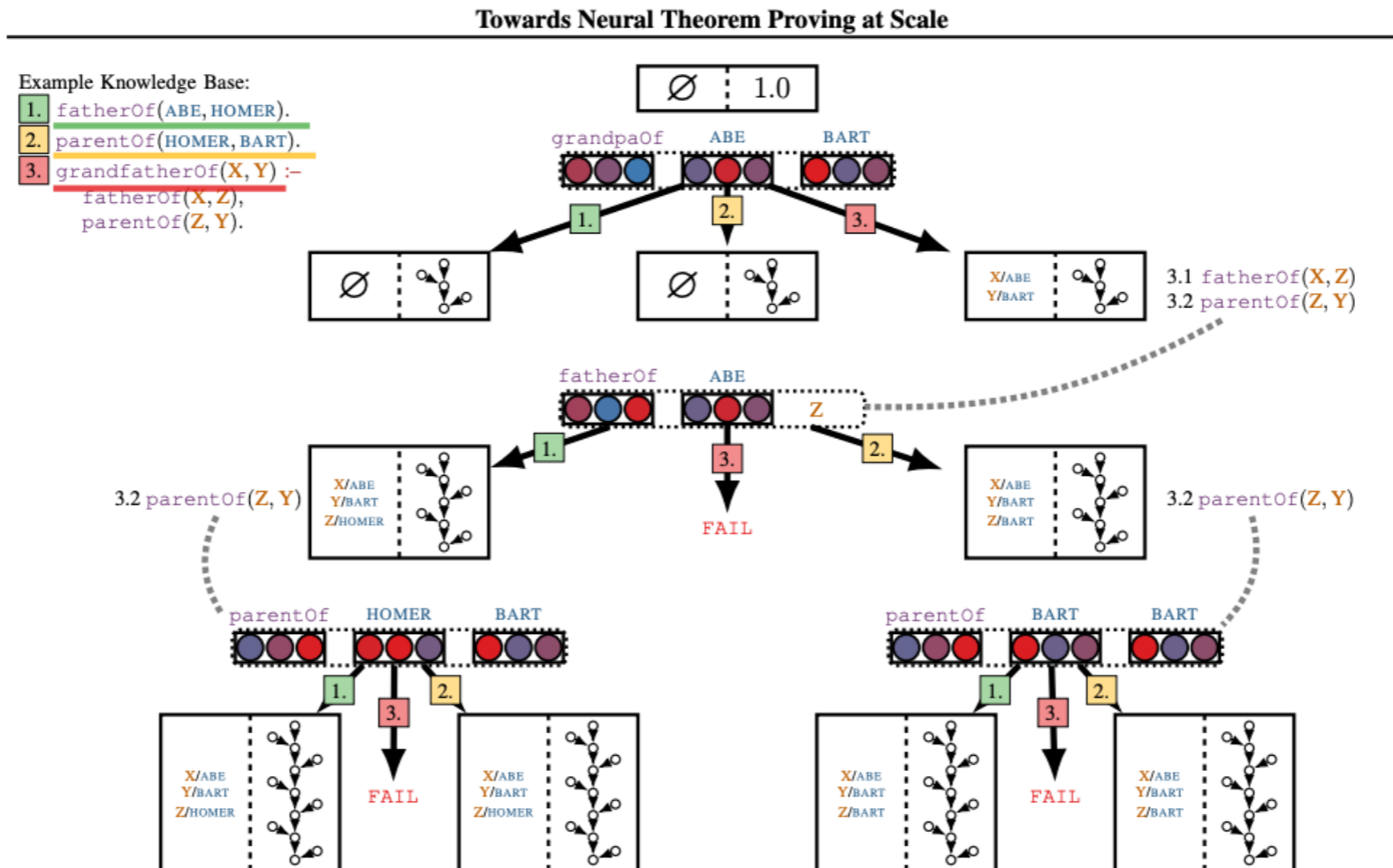
directed StarAI approach and logic programs

- Directed (fuzzy) NeSy
- similar in spirit to the Bayesian Logic Programs and Probabilistic Relational Models
- Of course, other kind of (fuzzy) operations for AND, OR and Aggregation (cf. later)



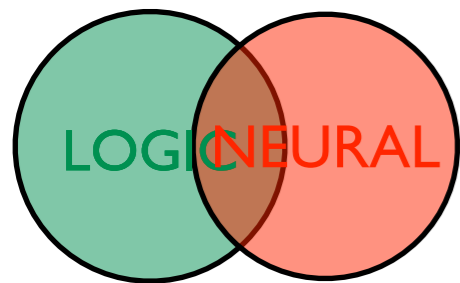
Neural Theorem Prover

directed StarAI approach and logic programs



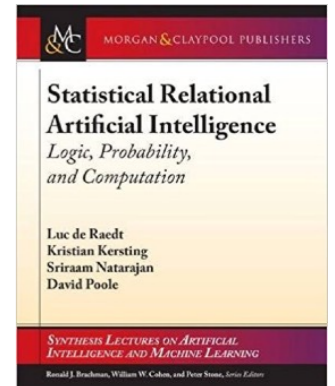
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how to reason logically ?

[Rocktäschel Riedel, NeurIPS 17; Minervini et al.]



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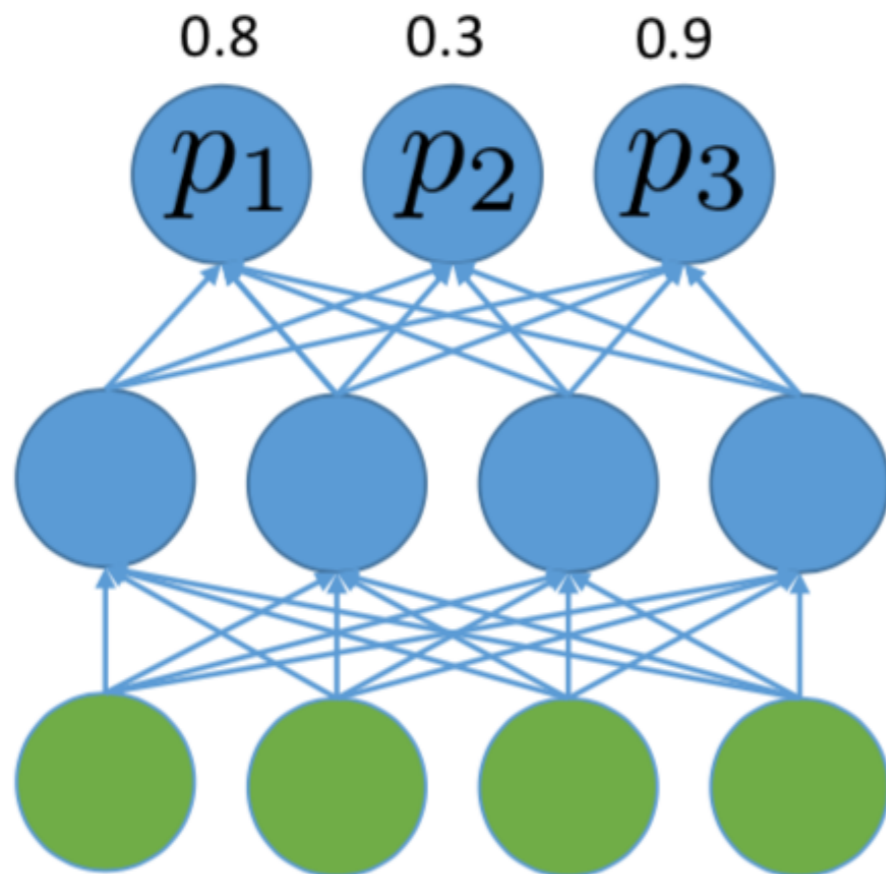
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Logic as constraints

undirected StarAI approach and (soft) constraints

multi-class classification



This constraint should be satisfied

$$(\neg x_1 \wedge \neg x_2 \wedge x_3) \vee$$

$$(\neg x_1 \wedge x_2 \wedge \neg x_3) \vee$$

$$(x_1 \wedge \neg x_2 \wedge \neg x_3)$$

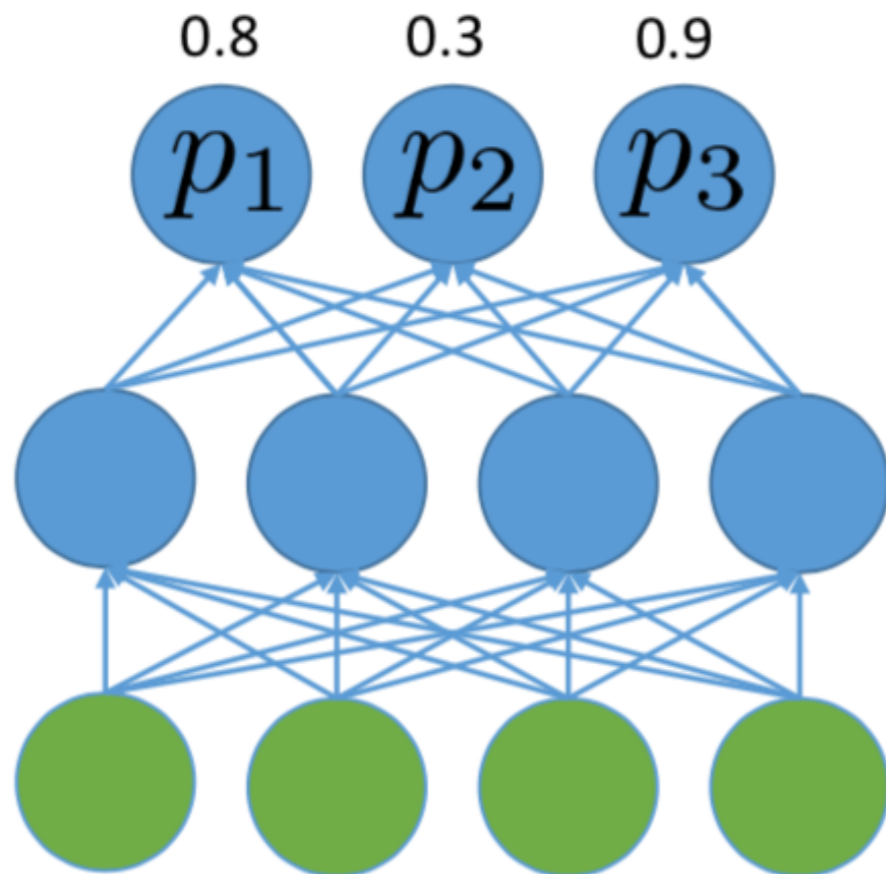
from Xu et al., ICML 2018



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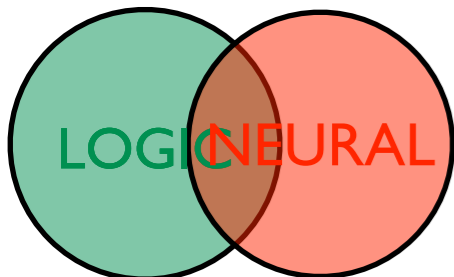
multi-class classification



Probability that constraint is satisfied

$$(1 - x_1)(1 - x_2)x_3 + (1 - x_1)x_2(1 - x_3) + x_1(1 - x_2)(1 - x_3)$$

basis for SEMANTIC LOSS
(weighted model counting)



Logic as a regularizer

undirected StarAI approach and (soft) constraints

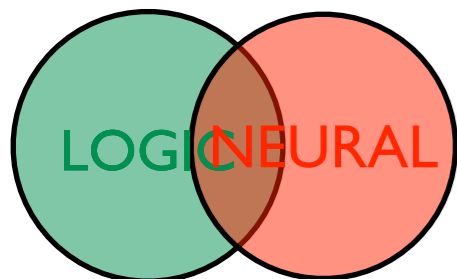
Semantic Loss:

- Use logic as constraints (very much like “propositional MLNs)

- Semantic loss $SLoss(T) \propto -\log \sum_{X \models T} \prod_{x \in X} p_i \prod_{\neg x \in X} (1 - p_i)$

- Used as regulariser $Loss = TraditionalLoss + w.SLoss$

- Use weighted model counting , close to StarAI



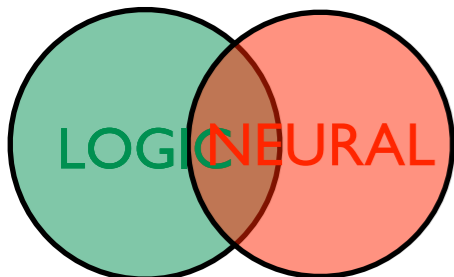
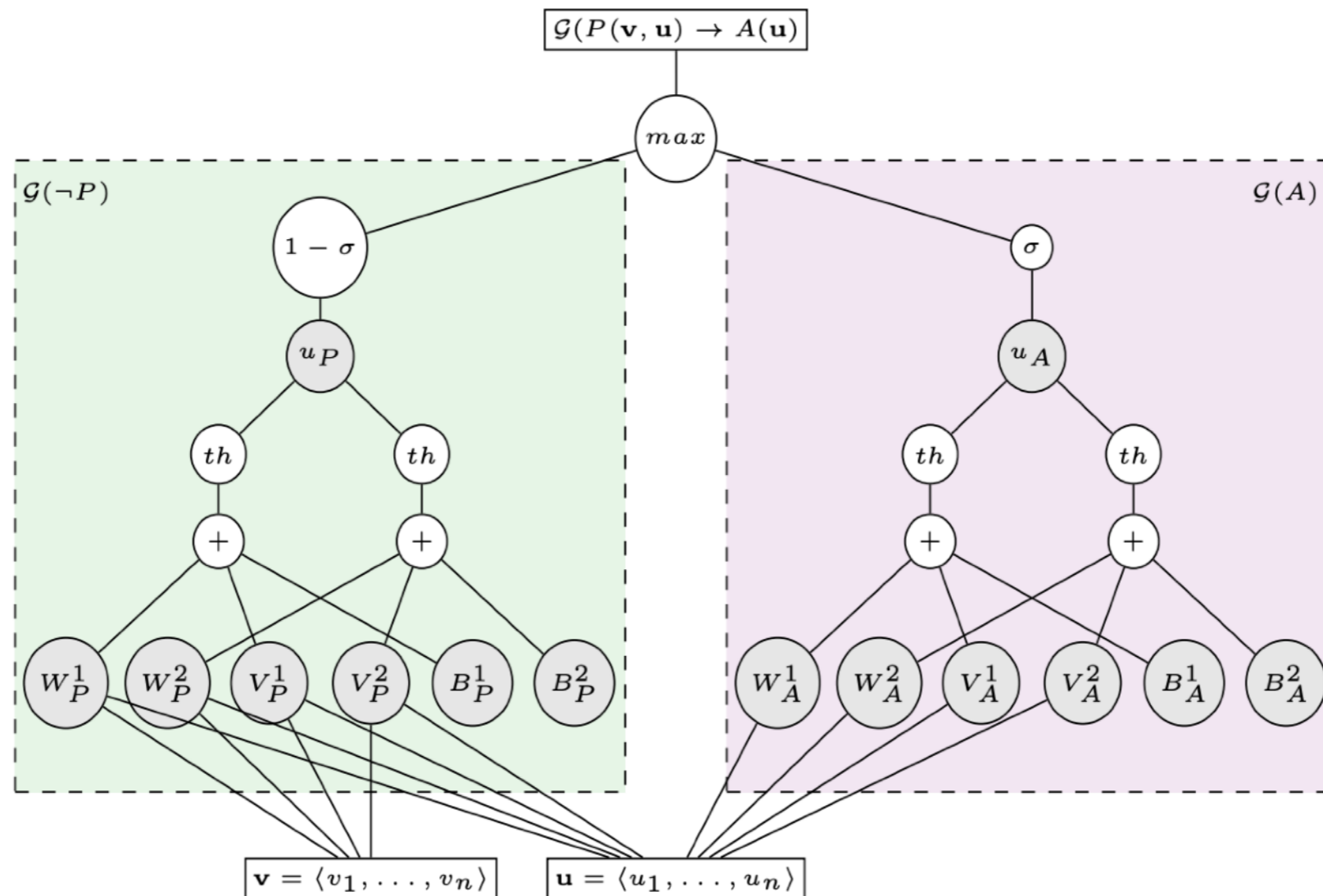
Logic as a regularizer

- Semantic Loss can be used with any logical constraint theory
- Examples with semi-supervised learning, where the constraint enforces that each example should have a class
- very nice properties :
 - differentiable, also monotonicity
 - if $\alpha \vDash \beta$ then $SLoss(\alpha) \geq SLoss(\beta)$

Logic Tensor Networks

undirected StarAI approach and (soft) constraints

$$P(x, y) \rightarrow A(y), \text{ with } \mathcal{G}(x) = \mathbf{v} \text{ and } \mathcal{G}(y) = \mathbf{u}$$



Semantic Based Regularization

undirected StarAI approach and (soft) constraints

$$F := \forall d P_A(d) \Rightarrow A(d)$$

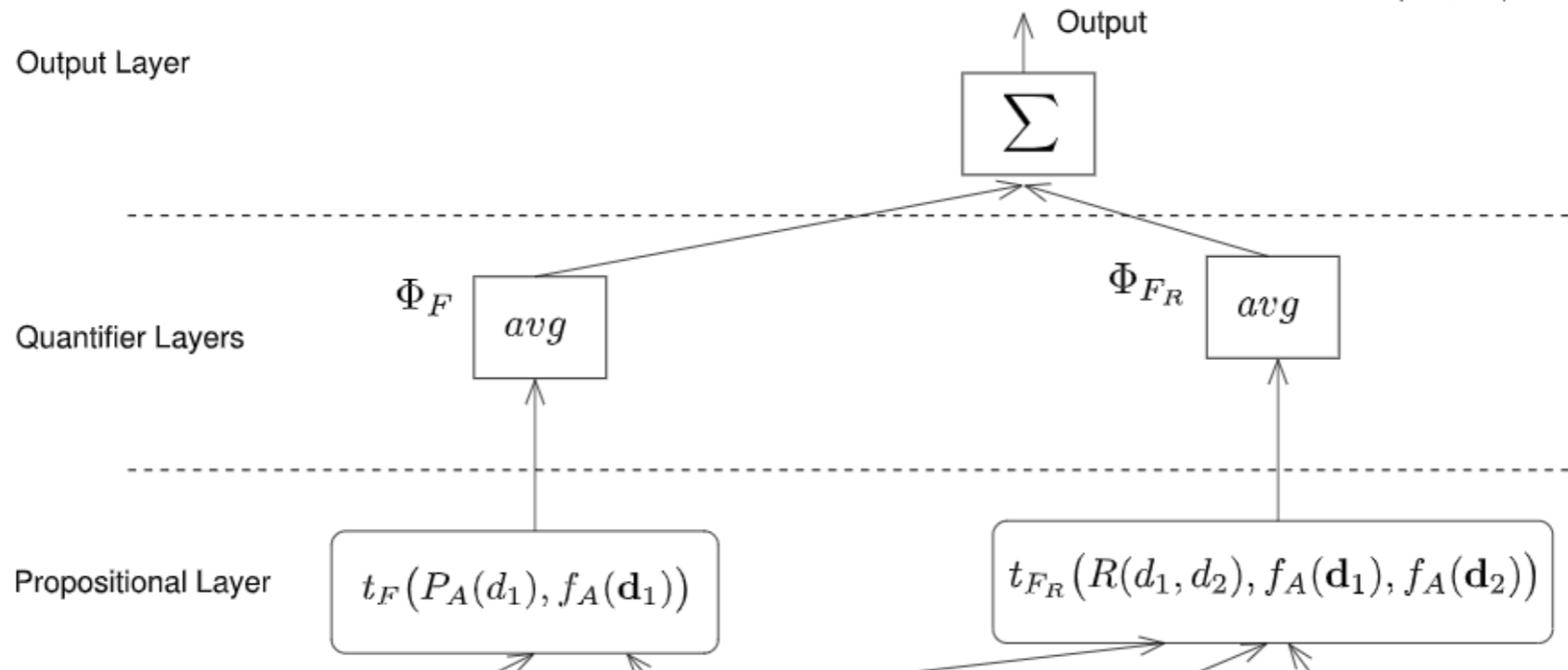
$$F_R := \forall d \forall d' R(d, d') \Rightarrow ((A(d) \wedge A(d')) \vee (\neg A(d) \wedge \neg A(d')))$$

$$C = \{d_1, d_2\}$$

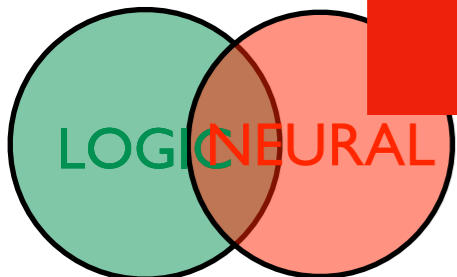
Evidence Predicate
Groundings

$$P_A(d_1) = 1$$

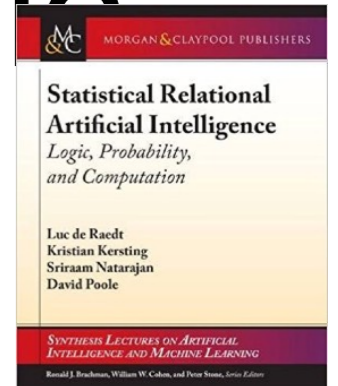
$$R(d_1, d_2) = 1$$



the logic is encoded in the network
how to reason logically ?



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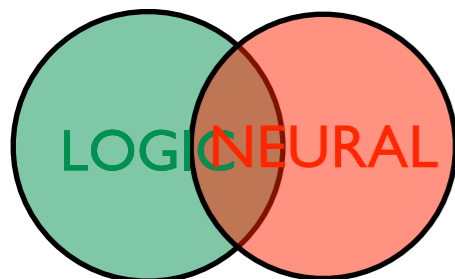
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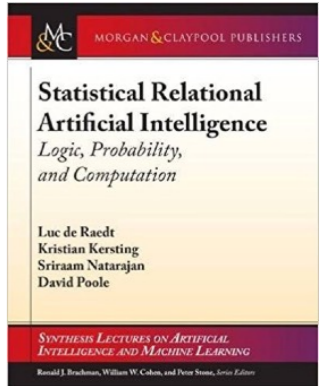
undirected StarAI approach and (soft) constraints

Consequence :
the logic is encoded in the network
the ability to logically reason is lost
logic is not a special case



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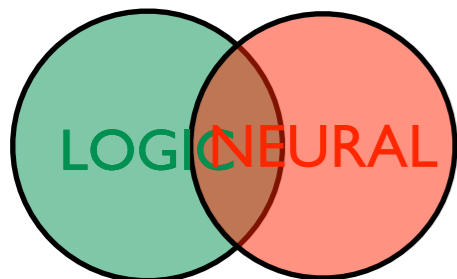
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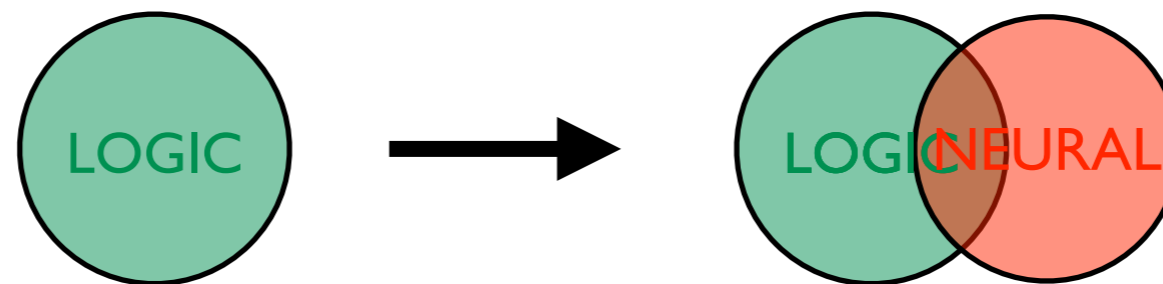
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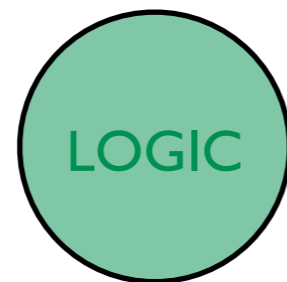


3. Types of Logic

Key Messages

- Different types of logic exist
- Different types of logic enable different functionalities

3. Types of Logic



Various flavours of logic

```
alarm :- earthquake.
```

```
alarm :- burglary.
```

```
calls_mary :- alarm, hears_alarm_mary.
```

```
calls_john :- alarm, hears_alarm_john.
```

```
stress(ann).
```

```
influences(ann,bob).
```

```
influences(bob,carl).
```

```
smokes(X) :- stress(X).
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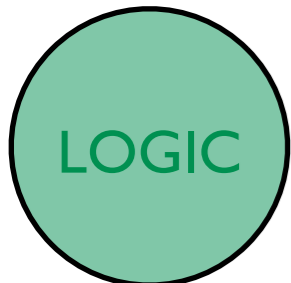
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smokes(X) :-
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```
    influences(Y,X),
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```
    smokes(Y).
```

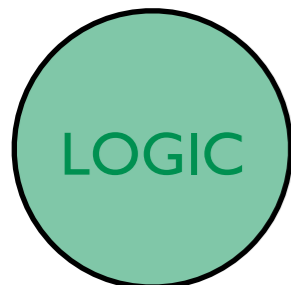
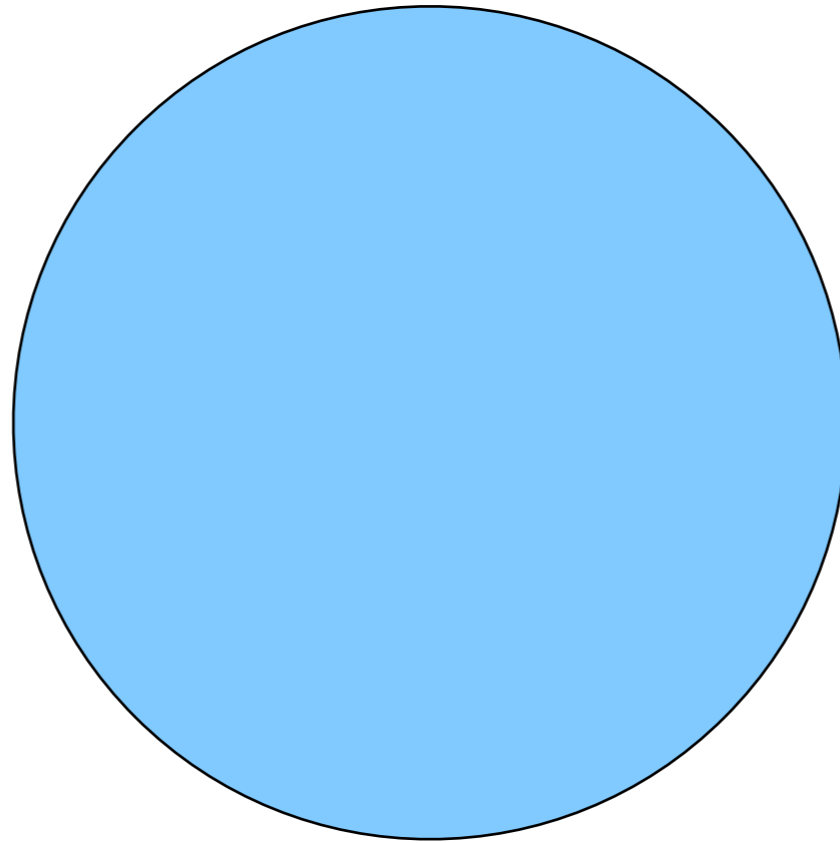
Propositional logic

First-order logic



Various flavours of first-order logic

Logic programs
= programming language



Logic programming and Prolog

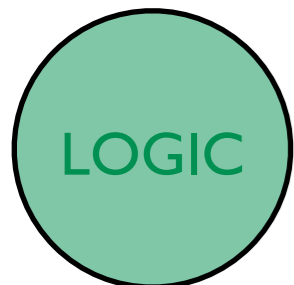
Full-fledged programming language

structured terms

```
member(X, [X|_]).
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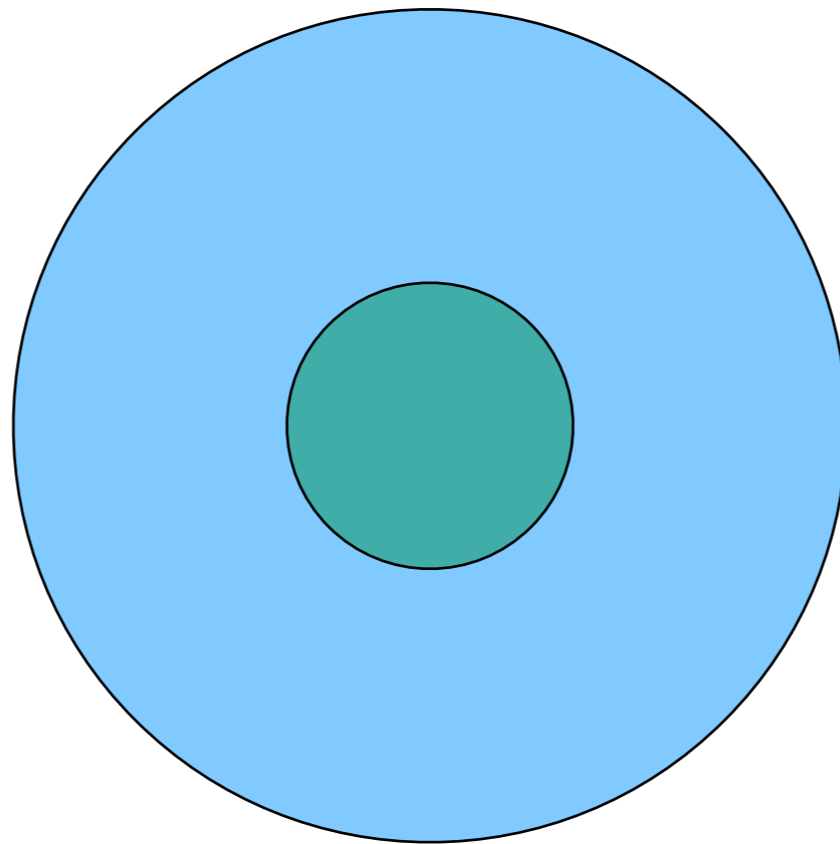
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member(X, [_|Tail]) :-  
    member(X, Tail).
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recursion

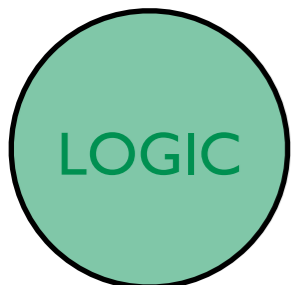


Various flavours of first-order logic

Logic programs
= programming language



Datalog
= Logic programs
that always terminate



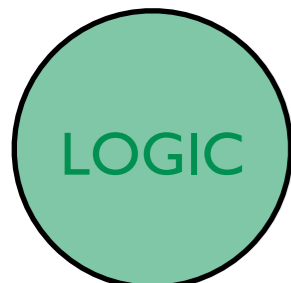
Datalog

Query language for deductive databases

no structured terms

guaranteed to terminate

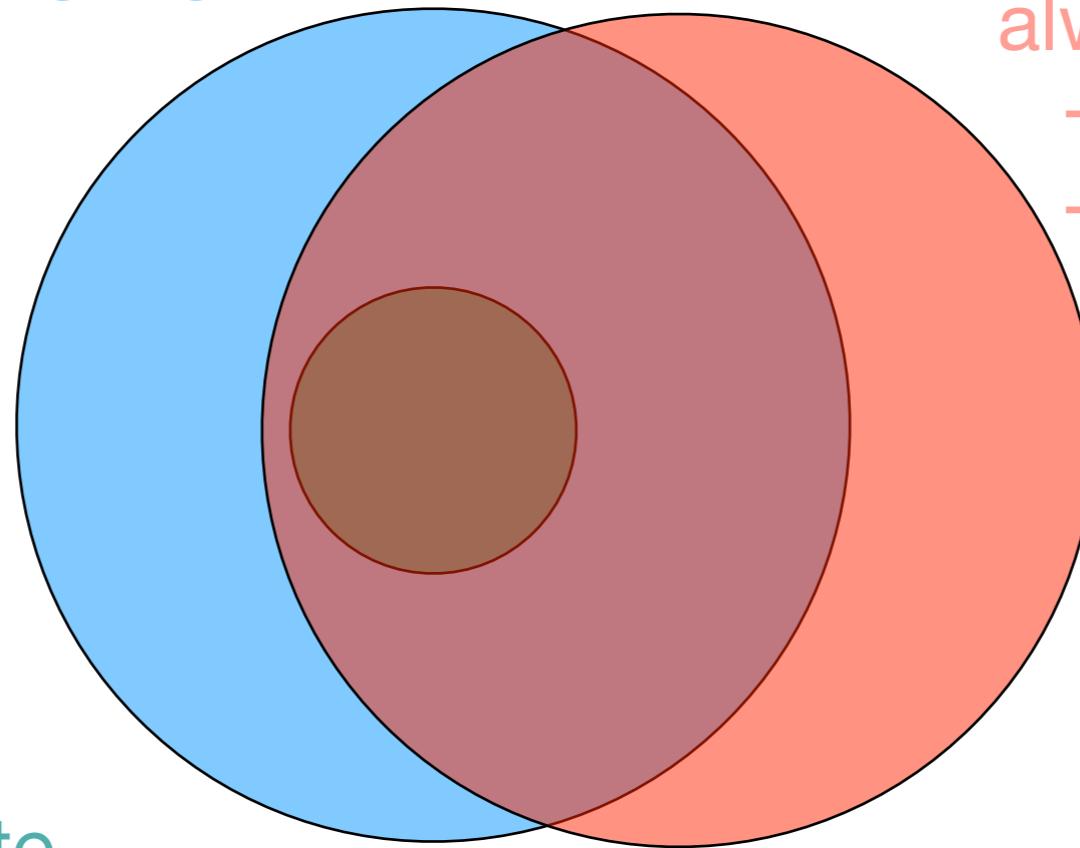
```
ancestor(X, Y) :- parent(X, Y).  
ancestor(X, Y) :- parent(X, Z), ancestor(Z, Y).
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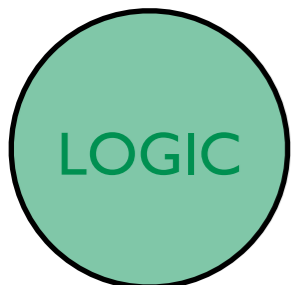
Various flavours of first-order logic

Logic programs
= programming language

Answer-set programs
= Logic programs with
multiple models that
always terminate
+ soft/hard constraints
+ preferences



Datalog
= Logic programs
that always terminate



Answer-set programming

Prolog with multiple models + interesting features

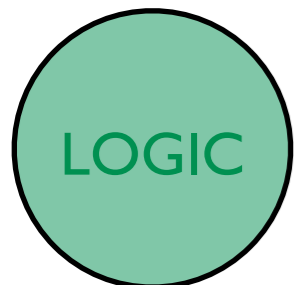
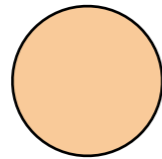
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col(r). col(g). col(b).
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1 {color(X,C) : col(C)} 1 :- node(X).  
:- edge(X,Y), color(X,C), color(Y,C).
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choice rules

constraint

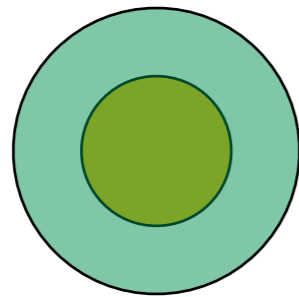
What can it do?



Propositional logic:
simple propositional reasoning

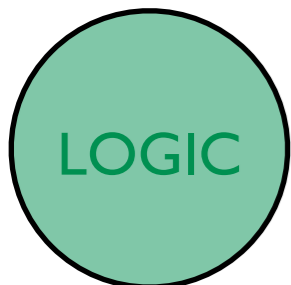


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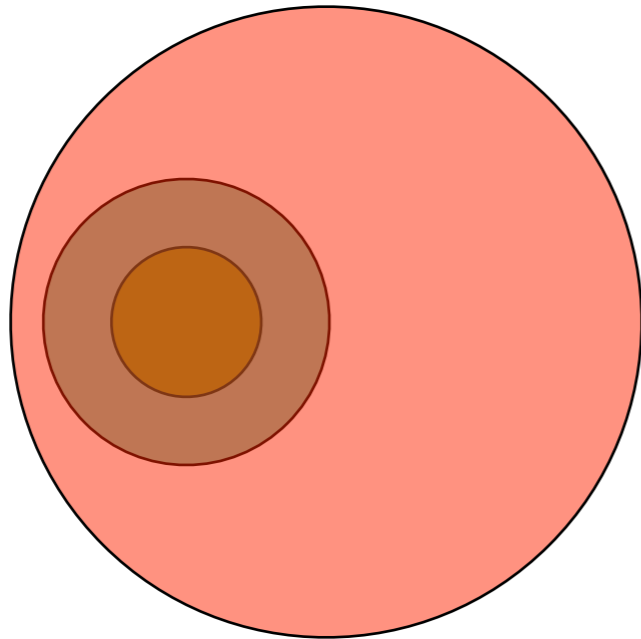


Datalog:
database queries

Propositional logic:
simple propositional reasoning



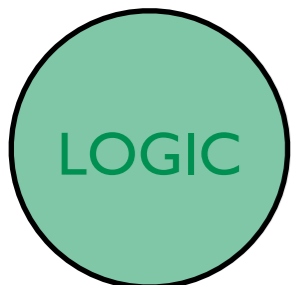
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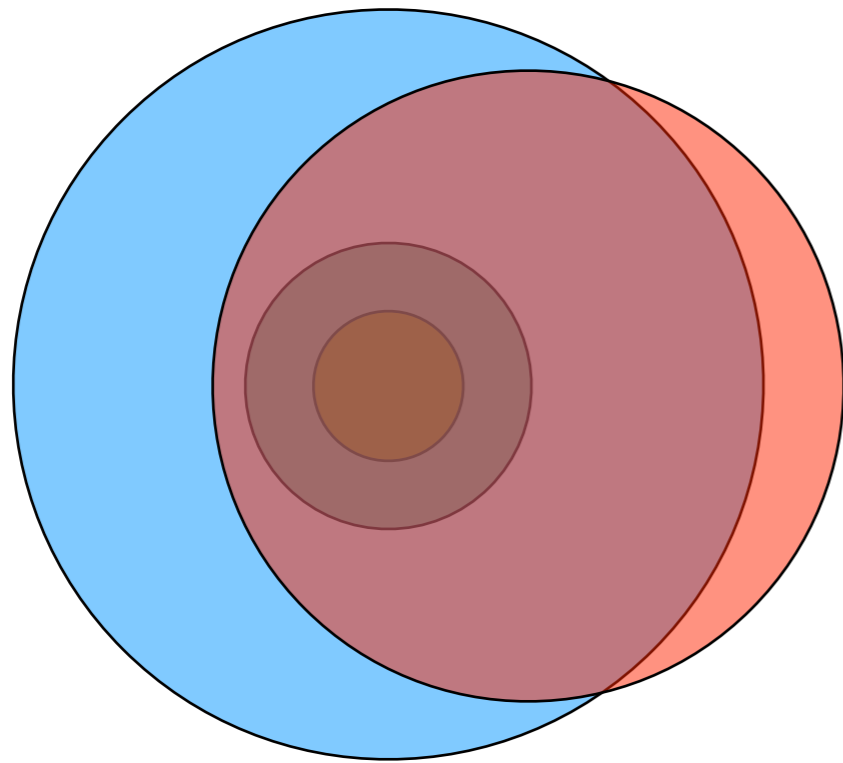
Answer-set programming:
database queries, common-sense
reasoning, preferences

Datalog:
database queries

Propositional logic:
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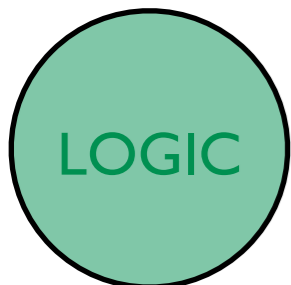


Logic programming:
programs manipulating structured
objects, infinite domains, ...

Answer-set programming:
database queries, common-sense
reasoning, preferences

Datalog:
database queries

Propositional logic:
simple propositional reasoning



Logic program vs First-order logic

Issues with transitive closure in first-order logic

$\text{edge}(1,2).$

$\text{path}(A,B) \leftarrow \text{edge}(A,B).$

$\text{path}(A,B) \leftarrow \text{edge}(A,C), \text{path}(C,B).$

Logic programs always
have one model

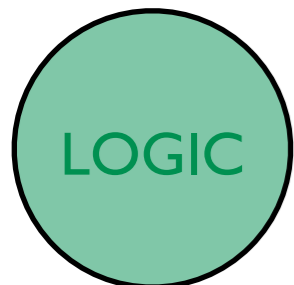
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First-order logic can have
many models

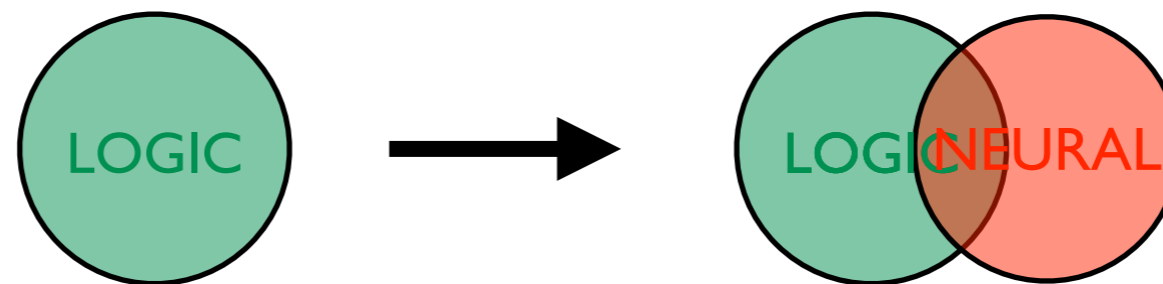
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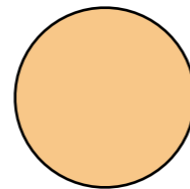
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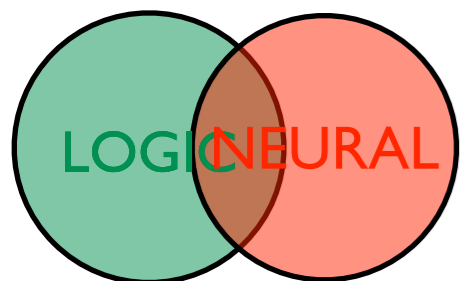
3. Types of Logic



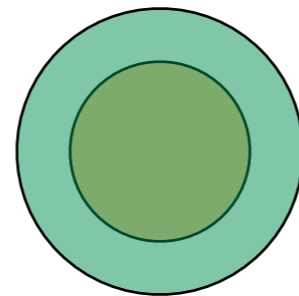
Logic in NeSy - Propositional logic



Semantic loss

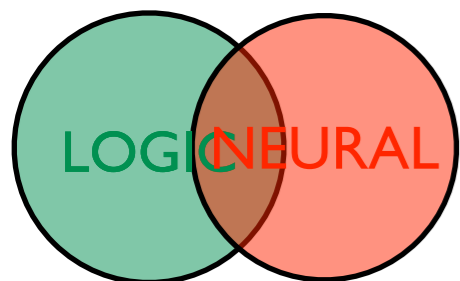


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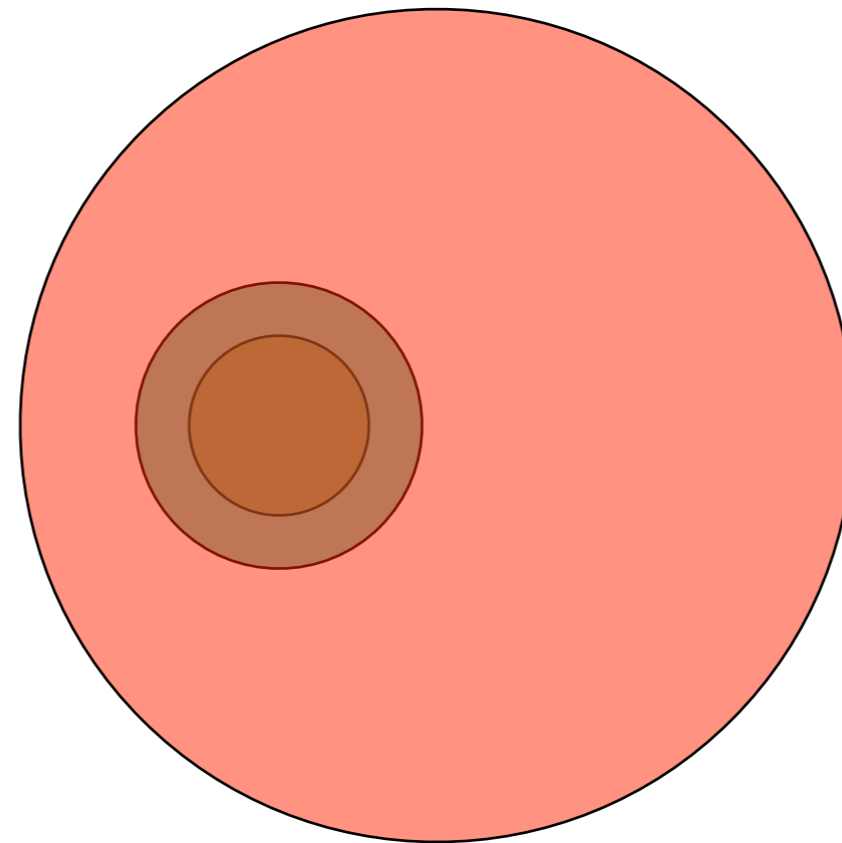


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Provers, LRNN, DiffLog, ...

Semantic loss



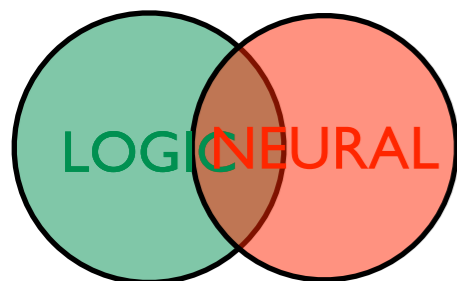
Logic in NeSy - Answer-set programming



NeurASP

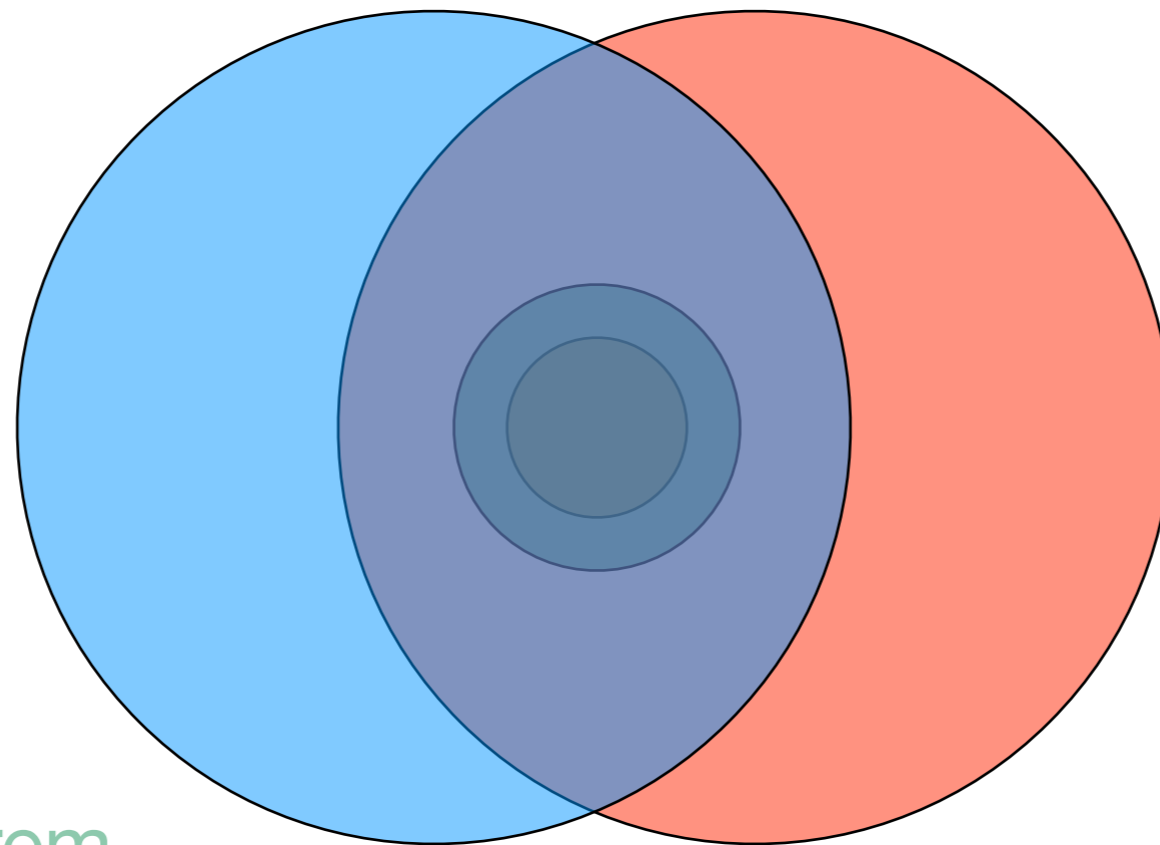
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Semantic loss



Logic in NeSy - Logic programming

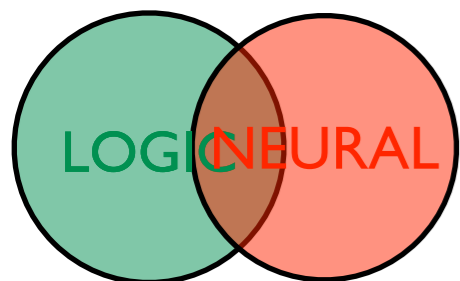
DeepProblog,
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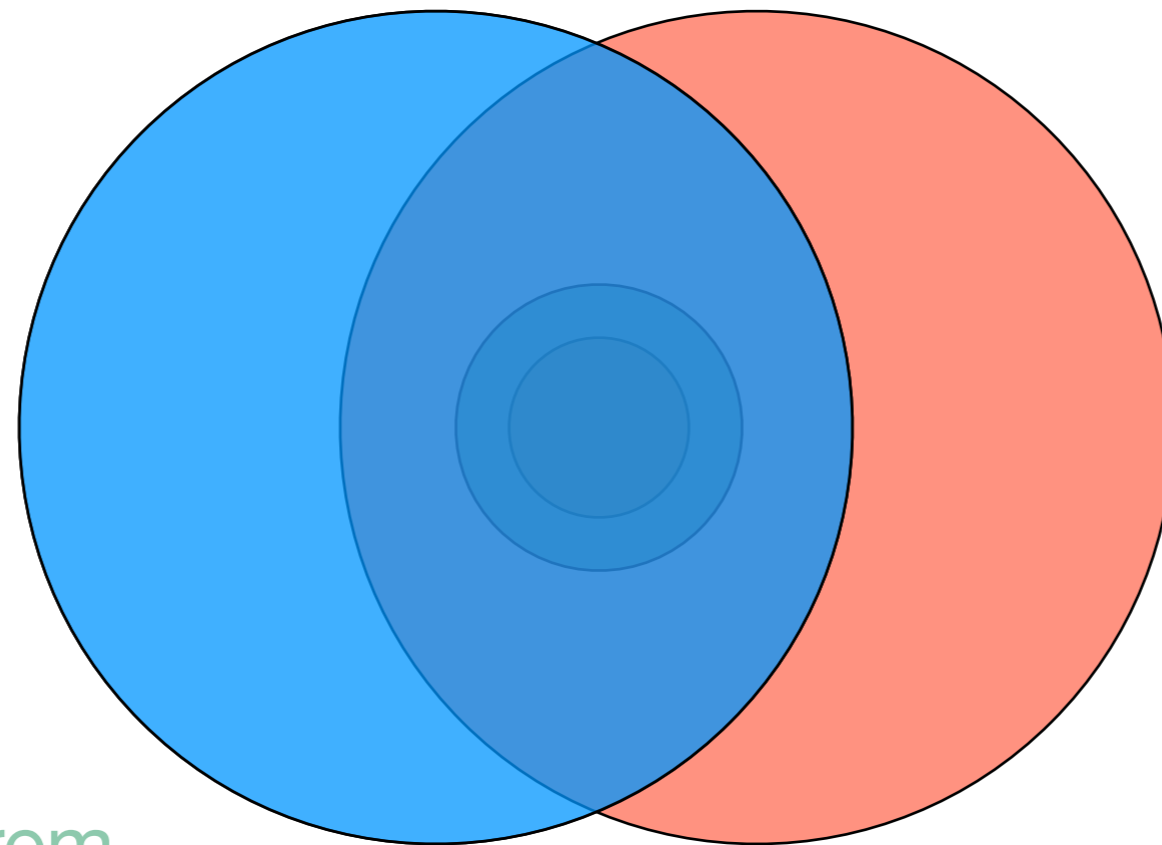
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Logic in NeSy - First-order logic

Logic tensor networks, NMLN,
SBT, RNM

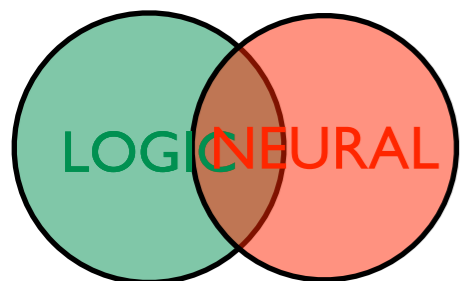
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Semantic loss



3. Types of Logic

Key Messages

- Different types of logic exist
- Different types of logic enable different functionalities

4. Symbolic vs sub-symbolic

4. Symbolic vs sub-symbolic

Key Messages

- Entities are represented very differently in symbolic and sub-symbolic systems, but they are complementary
- NeSy systems can be categorized by how they use symbolic and sub-symbolic intermediate representations

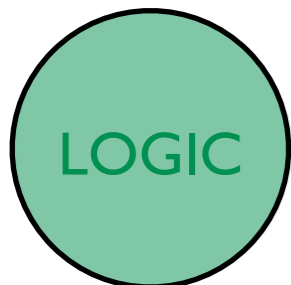
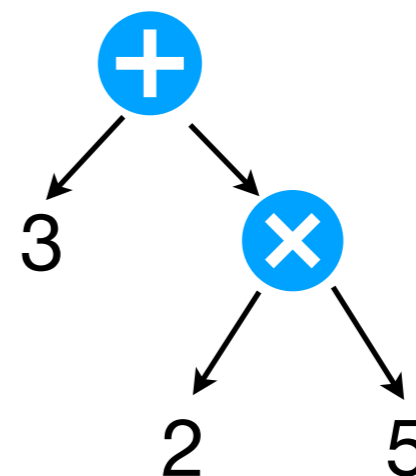
Symbolic representations

- Atoms: an, bob
- Numbers: 4, -3.5
- Variables: X,Y
- Structured terms: $f(t_1, \dots, t_n)$
 - motherOf(an,bob)
 - [-0.1,1.2,0.5]
 - [[1,2,3],[4,5,6]]
 - plus(3,times(2,5))
 - ...

an $\xrightarrow{\text{motherOf}}$ bob

-0.1	1.2	0.5
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1	2	3
4	5	6



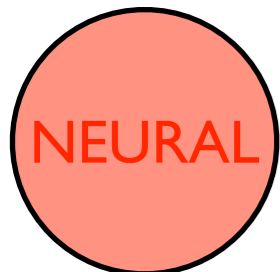
Sub-symbolic representations

- Sub-symbolic systems require numerical representation
- Often, entities are already numerical in nature



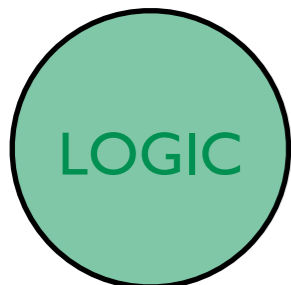
0.1	-0.3	...
-0.9	-0.2	...
...

- Generally, these representations are fixed in size and dimensionality
- Exceptions require special neural architectures, e.g.
 - Recurrent neural networks
 - Fully convolutional networks
 - ...



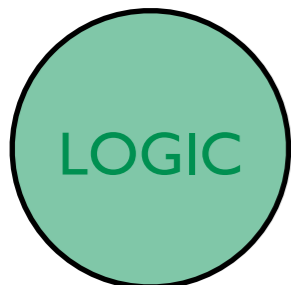
Comparing symbols: unification

- Powerful mechanism for symbol matching
 - basis for many logic-based AI systems
- Finds substitution θ such that both symbols match
 - $\text{mother}(X, \text{bob}) = \text{mother}(\text{an}, Y)$
 - $\theta = \{X = \text{an}, Y = \text{bob}\}$
- Not useful to determine similarity
 - $\text{mother}(\text{an}, \text{bob}) \approx \text{mother}(\text{an}, \text{charlie})?$



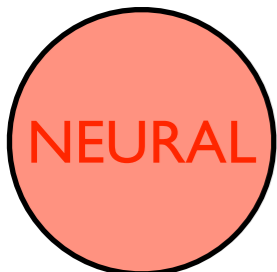
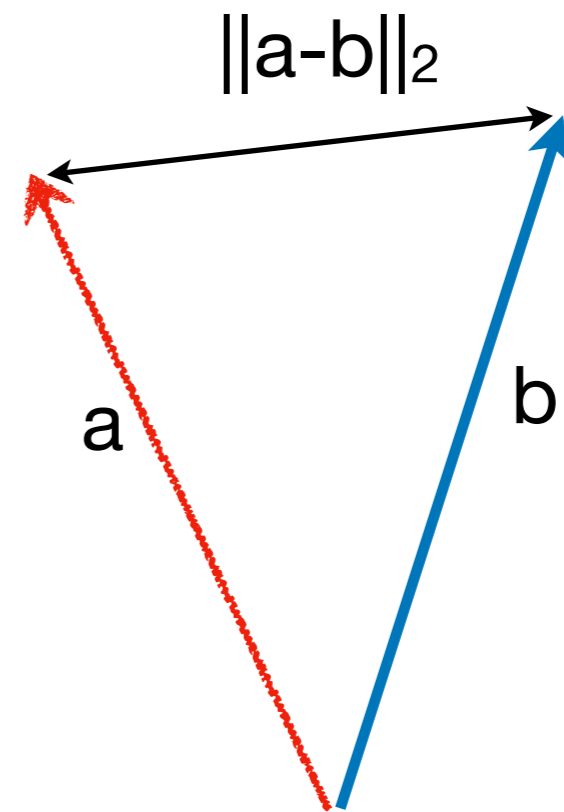
Sub-symbols in StarAI

- It is possible to represent these sub-symbols in logic
 - vectors: $[0.1, -0.5, 0.6]$
 - matrices: $\begin{bmatrix} 0.2 & 0.4 \\ 0.3 & 0.1 \end{bmatrix}$
 - ...
- However, they are not part of the computation mechanisms.
 - i.e. we cannot learn its parameters
- They are not first class citizens.

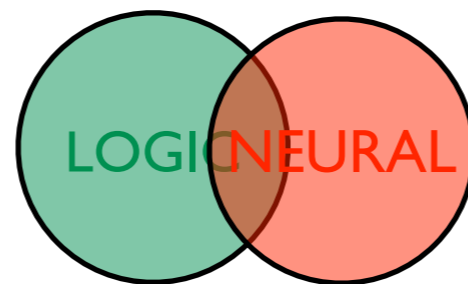


Comparing sub-symbols

- Similarity can be determined through various metrics
 - L1, L2, radial-basis function, ...
- Can only give a degree of similarity
- When is $a \neq b$? When is $a = b$?

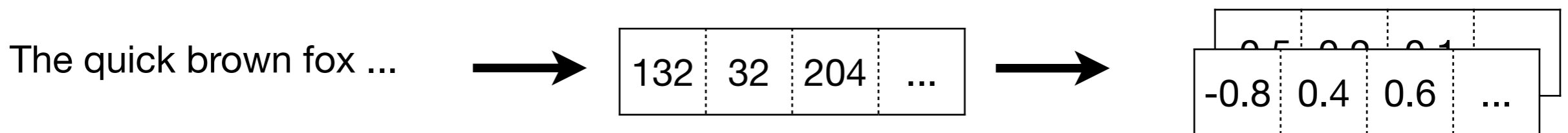


4. Symbolic vs sub-symbolic Translating between representations



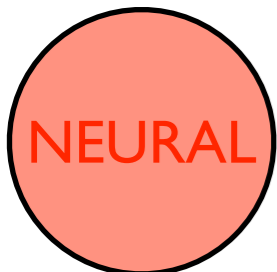
Symbols to sub-symbols

- A lot of deep learning research is on how to represent symbols



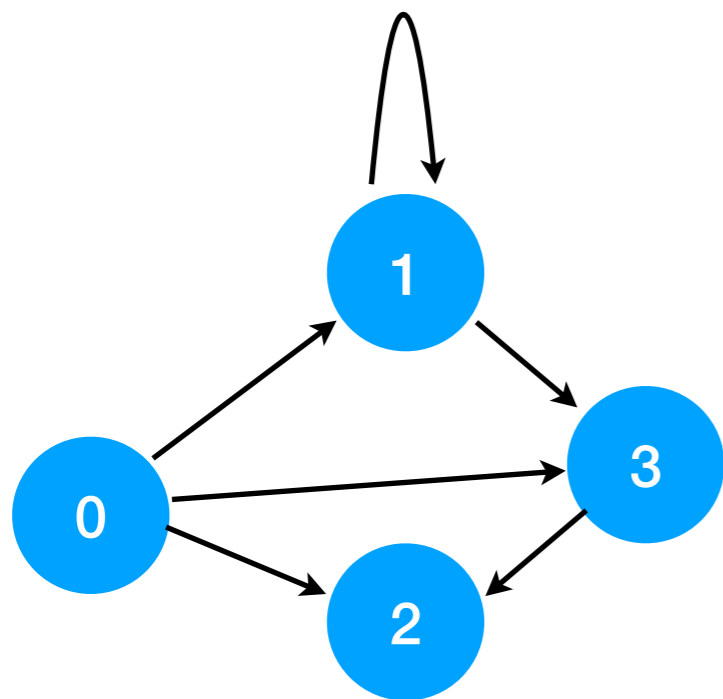
- Encoding relations $r(h,t)$
 - Many ways to structure embedding space

Models	score function $f(\mathbf{h}, \mathbf{r}, \mathbf{t})$
TransE [2]	$- \mathbf{h} + \mathbf{r} - \mathbf{t} _{1/2}$
TransR [10]	$- M_r \mathbf{h} + \mathbf{r} - M_r \mathbf{t} _2^2$
DistMult [20]	$\mathbf{h}^\top \text{diag}(\mathbf{r}) \mathbf{t}$
Complex [16]	$\text{Real}(\mathbf{h}^\top \text{diag}(\mathbf{r}) \bar{\mathbf{t}})$
RESCAL [12]	$\mathbf{h}^\top M_r \mathbf{t}$
RotatE [15]	$- \mathbf{h} \circ \mathbf{r} - \mathbf{t} ^2$

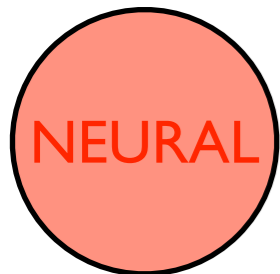
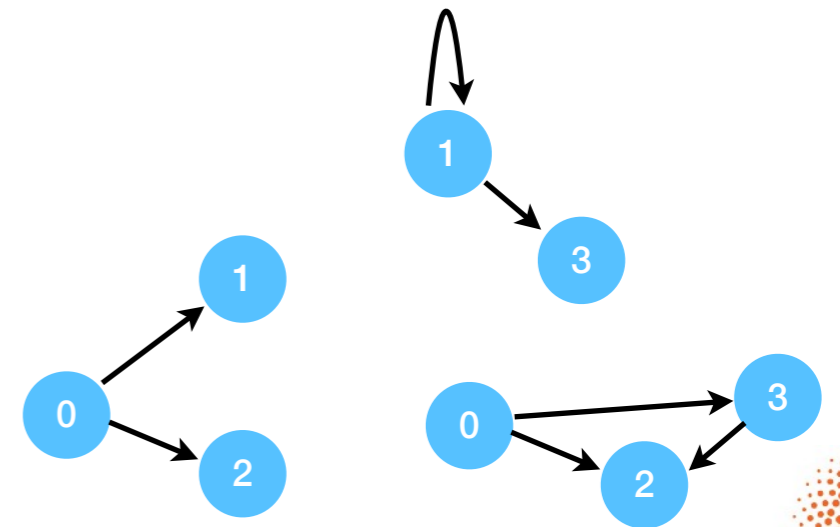
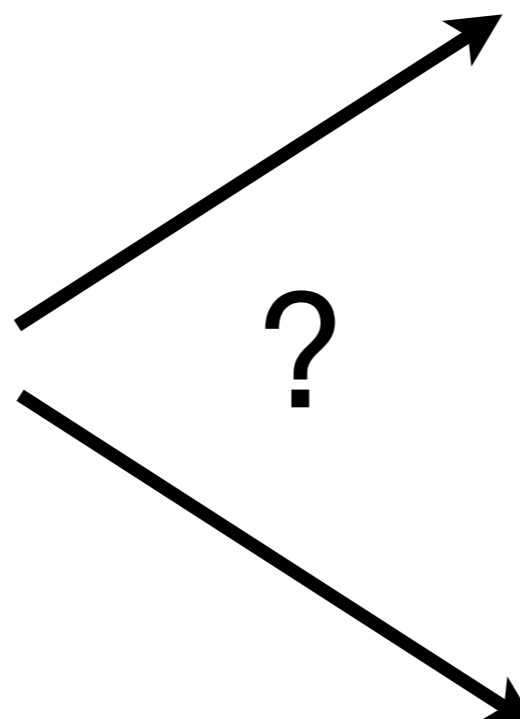


Symbols to sub-symbols

- What about graphs?

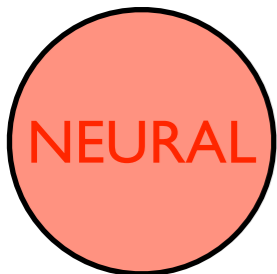
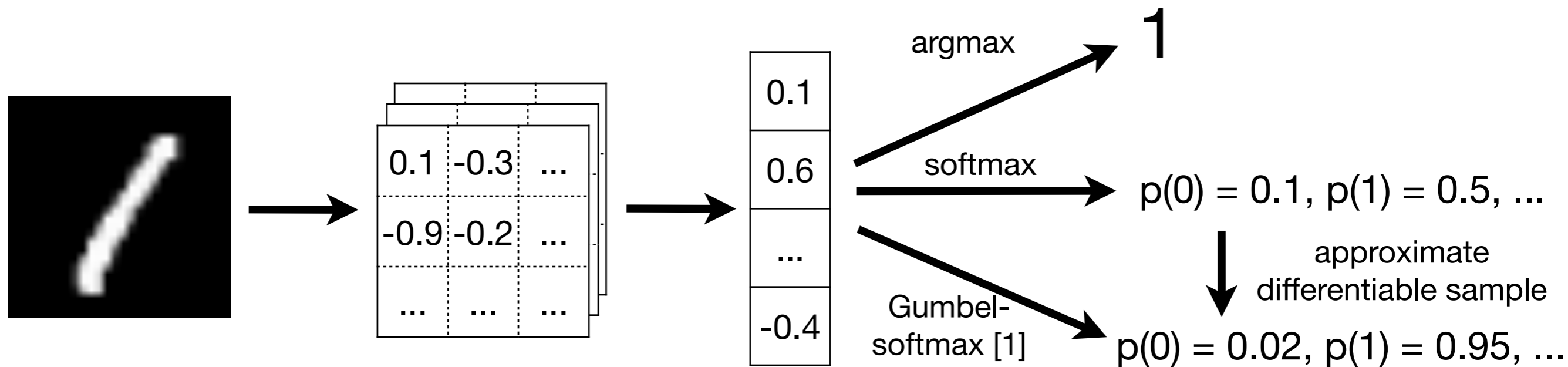


	0.3	-0.5	0.2	0.1	
0	0	0	0	0	0.6
1	1	1	0	0	0.2
2	1	0	0	1	0.4
3	1	1	0	0	

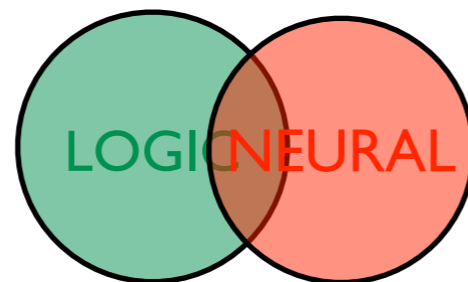


Sub-symbols to symbols

- E.g. in neural network classifiers
 - Turn real-valued vector into discrete classes
 - Final layer with specific activation function

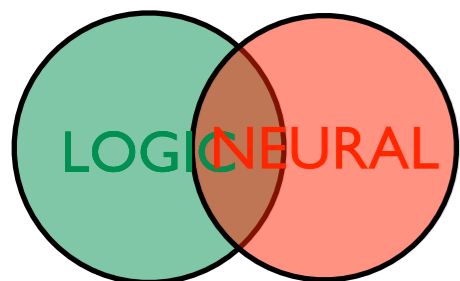


4. Symbolic vs sub-symbolic Representations in NeSy

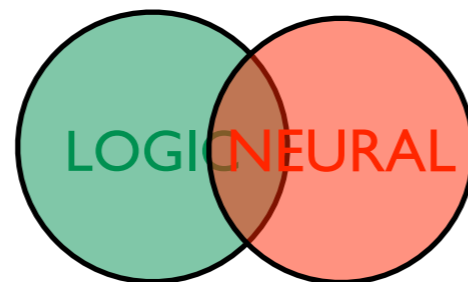


Representation in NeSy

- StarAI
 - Input = intermediate = output = symbolic representation
- Neural methods
 - Input = intermediate = sub-symbolic
 - Output =
 - Symbolic (classifier)
 - Or sub-symbolic (auto-encoder, GAN, regression, ...)
- NeSy
 - Intermediate representation = symbolic or sub-symbolic
 - We discern several approaches



4. Symbolic vs sub-symbolic Single translation step



Single translation step

- Symbolic input is mapped onto sub-symbols
 - One-hot encoding, relational embeddings, ...
- Afterwards, all reasoning happens in sub-symbolic space
- This approach is seen in most NeSy systems
- Examples include:
 - LTNs[1], SBR[2], NLMs[3], TensorLog[4]

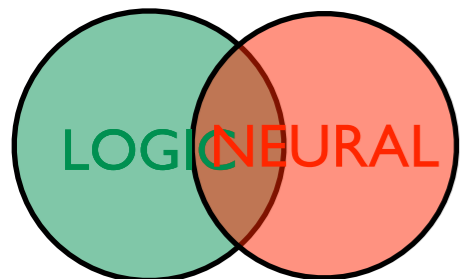
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Logic Tensor Network

- This translations is made explicit in Logic Tensor Networks

Definition 1. A grounding \mathcal{G} for a first order language \mathcal{L} is a function from the signature of \mathcal{L} to the real numbers that satisfies the following conditions:

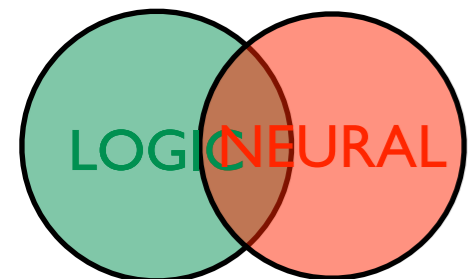
1. $\mathcal{G}(c) \in \mathbb{R}^n$ for every constant symbol $c \in \mathcal{C}$;
2. $\mathcal{G}(f) \in \mathbb{R}^{n \cdot \alpha(f)} \longrightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ for every $f \in \mathcal{F}$;
3. $\mathcal{G}(P) \in \mathbb{R}^{n \cdot \alpha(P)} \longrightarrow [0, 1]$ for every $P \in \mathcal{P}$;

$$\mathcal{G}(f(t_1, \dots, t_m)) = \mathcal{G}(f)(\mathcal{G}(t_1), \dots, \mathcal{G}(t_m))$$

$$\mathcal{G}(P(t_1, \dots, t_m)) = \mathcal{G}(P)(\mathcal{G}(t_1), \dots, \mathcal{G}(t_m))$$

$$\mathcal{G}(\neg P(t_1, \dots, t_m)) = 1 - \mathcal{G}(P(t_1, \dots, t_m))$$

$$\mathcal{G}(\phi_1 \vee \dots \vee \phi_k) = \mu(\mathcal{G}(\phi_1), \dots, \mathcal{G}(\phi_k))$$



Logical Theory

GROUNDING OUT

```
stress (ann) .  
influences (ann,bob) .  
influences (bob,carl) .
```

```
smokes (ann) :- stress (ann) .  
smokes (bob) :- stress (bob) .  
smokes (carl) :- stress (carl) .
```

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smokes (ann) :- influences (ann,ann) , smokes (ann) .  
smokes (ann) :- influences (bob,ann) , smokes (bob) .  
smokes (ann) :- influences (carl,ann) , smokes (carl) .
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smokes (bob) :- influences (ann,bob) , smokes (ann) .  
smokes (bob) :- influences (bob,bob) , smokes (bob) .  
smokes (bob) :- influences (carl,bob) , smokes (carl) .
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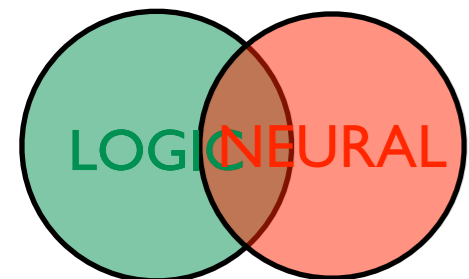
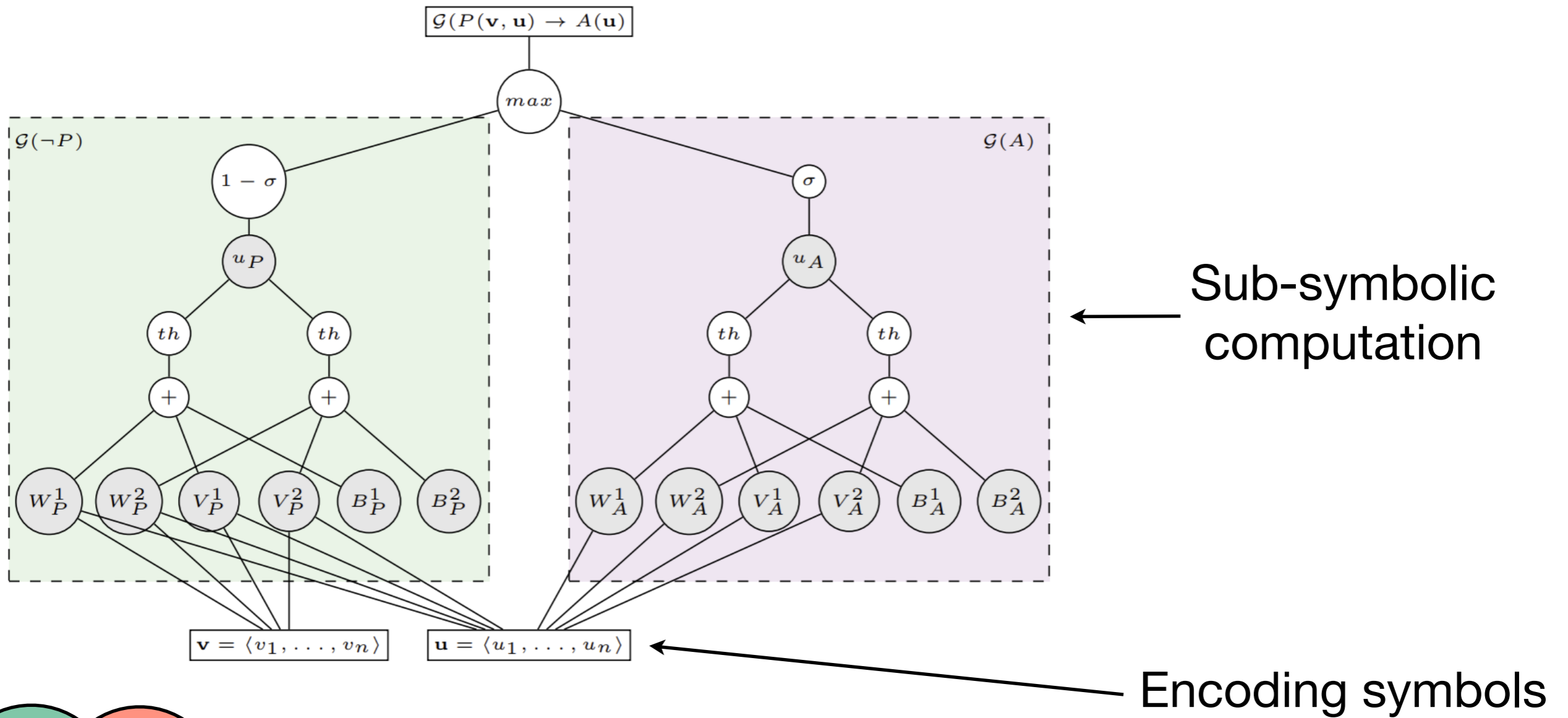
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smokes (carl) :- influences (ann,carl) , smokes (ann) .  
smokes (carl) :- influences (bob,carl) , smokes (bob) .  
smokes (carl) :- influences (carl,carl) , smokes (carl) .
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stress (ann) .  
influences (ann,bob) .  
influences (bob,carl) .  
  
smokes (X) :- stress (X) .  
smokes (X) :-  
    influences (Y,X) ,  
    smokes (Y) .
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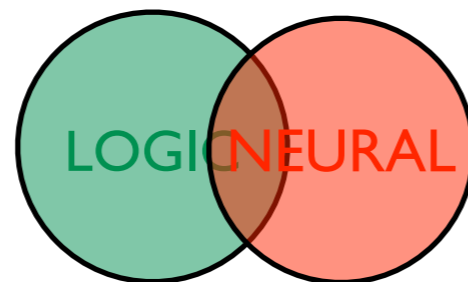
**IF INTERESTED ONLY IN
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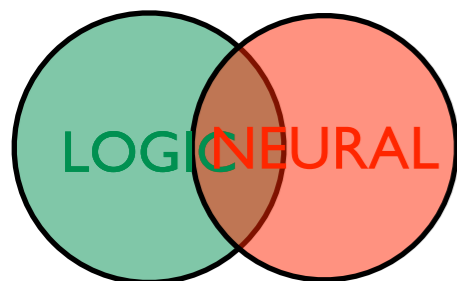


4. Symbolic vs sub-symbolic Alternating symbols and sub-symbols



Alternating symbols and sub-symbols

- Both symbolic and sub-symbolic representations are used
 - Not simultaneously by one component
 - Some components work on symbols, others on sub-symbols
- Indicative of systems that implement an interface
- Very natural for NeSy systems originating from a logical framework
- Examples include:
 - DeepProbLog[1], NeurASP[2], ...
 - ABL[3], NeuroLog[4], ..



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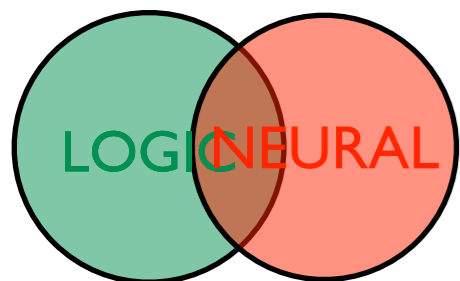
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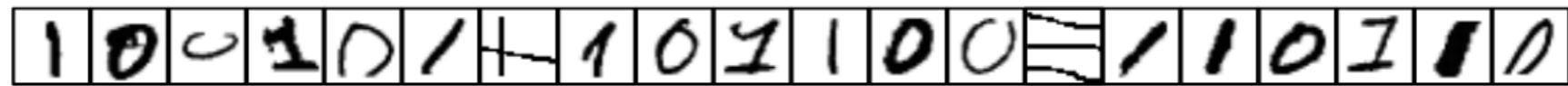
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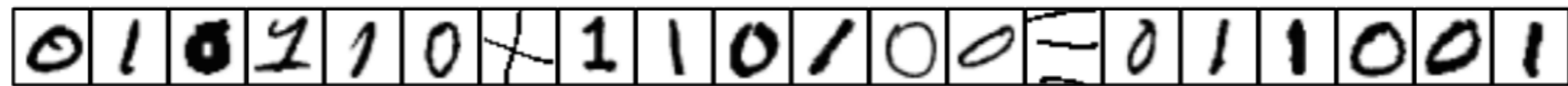
- ABL tries to learn:
 - A perception model that interprets sub-symbolic input
 - A set of logical rules (knowledge)
- From
 - A set of examples (sub-symbolic inputs, label)
 - A set of possible labels for the sub-symbolic inputs
 - A set of rules representing background knowledge
- Such that
 - The perception models applies labels to the sub-symbolic inputs
 - These labels are consistent with the knowledge



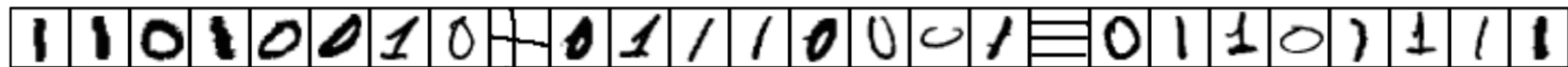
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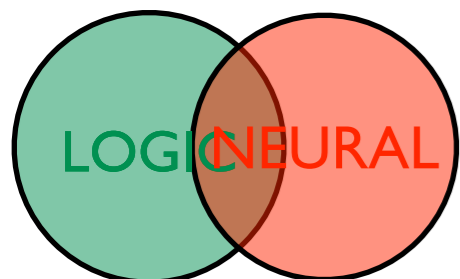
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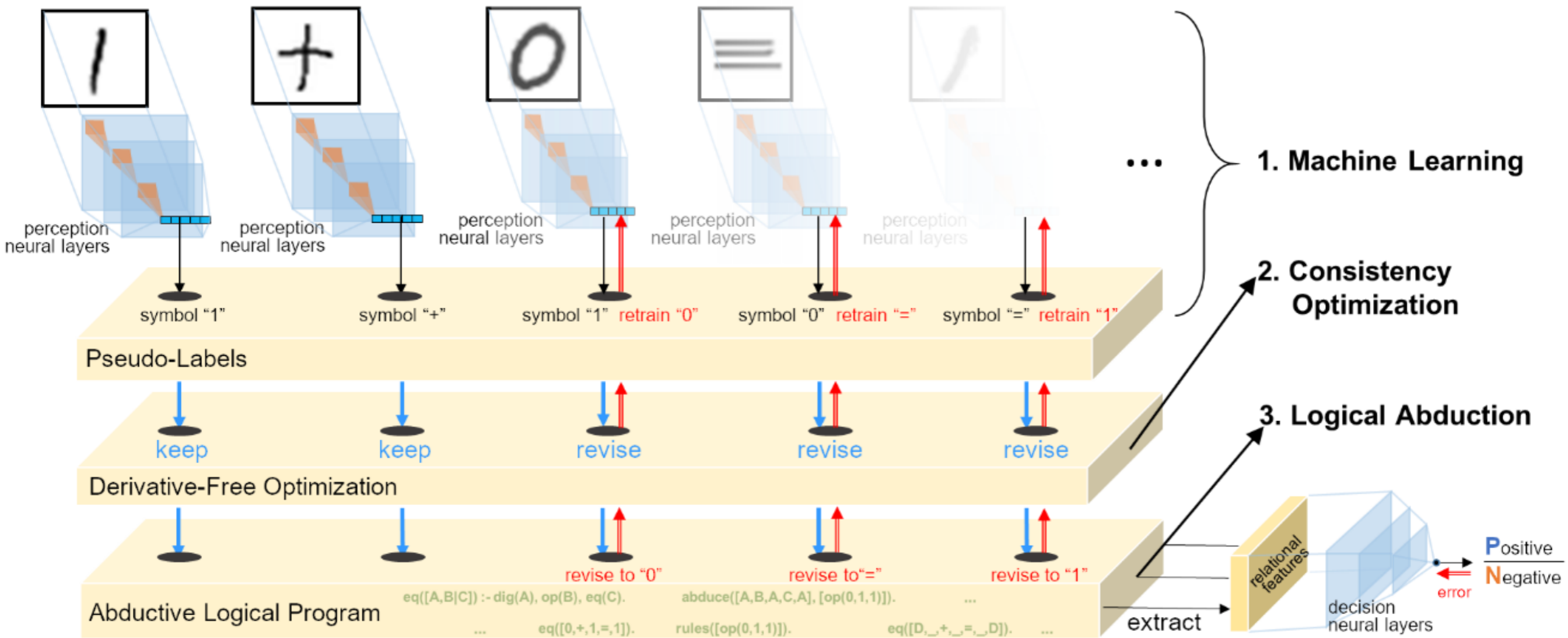
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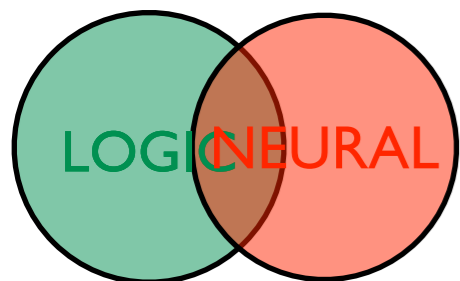
- Given knowledge:
 - Images represent: 0, 1, + or =
 - Equation: [list of 0 and 1] + [list of 0 and 1s] = [list of 0 and 1s]
- Learn:
 - Classify images into 0, 1, + or =
 - What operation is performed on the first two lists to form the last



ABL



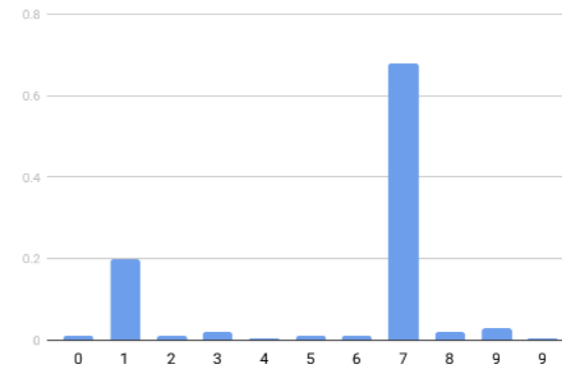
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Neural predicate

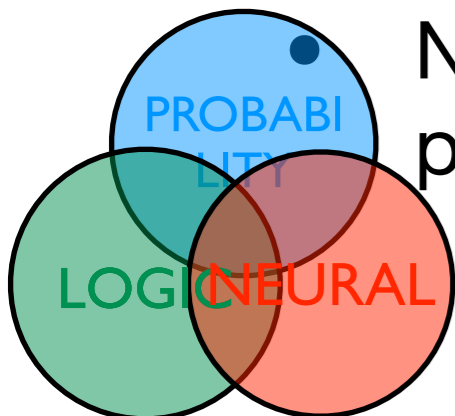


Output distribution



- Neural networks have uncertainty in their predictions
- A normalized output can be interpreted as a probability distribution
- Neural predicate models the output as probabilistic facts

No changes needed in the probabilistic host language



Key Idea DeepProbLog

unify the basic concepts in logic and neural networks:

neural predicate ~ neural net

an interface between logic and neural nets

DeepProbLog

- DeepProbLog: interface between PLP (ProbLog) and neural networks.
- This interface takes the form of the neural predicate
 - Output of neural networks represented as probabilistic facts

```
nn(mnist_net, [D], N, [0 ... 9] ) :: digit(D,N).  
addition(X,Y,Z) :- digit(X,N1), digit(Y,N2), Z is N1+N2.
```

- In the logic, the images are represented as constants
- Sub-symbolic properties are used in the neural network to make predictions
- This may seem as a limitation, but isn't

Examples:

```
addition( 3, 5, 8), addition( 0, 4, 4), addition( 9, 2, 11), ...
```



DeepProbLog exemplified: MNIST addition

Task: Classify pairs of MNIST digits with their sum

Benefit of DeepProbLog:

- Encode addition in logic
- Separate addition from digit classification



```
nn(mnist_net, [X], Y, [0 ... 9] ) :: digit(X,Y).
```

```
addition(X,Y,Z) :- digit(X,N1), digit(Y,N2), Z is N1+N2.
```

```
addition(3, 5, 8) :- digit(3, N1), digit(5, N2), 8 is N1 + N2.
```

Examples:

```
addition(3, , 8), addition(0, 4, 4), addition(9, 2, 11), ...
```

Example

Learn to classify the sum of pairs of MNIST digits

Individual digits are not labeled!

E.g. ( ,  , 8)

Could be done by a CNN: classify the concatenation of both images into 19 classes

However:      +    = ?

MNIST Addition

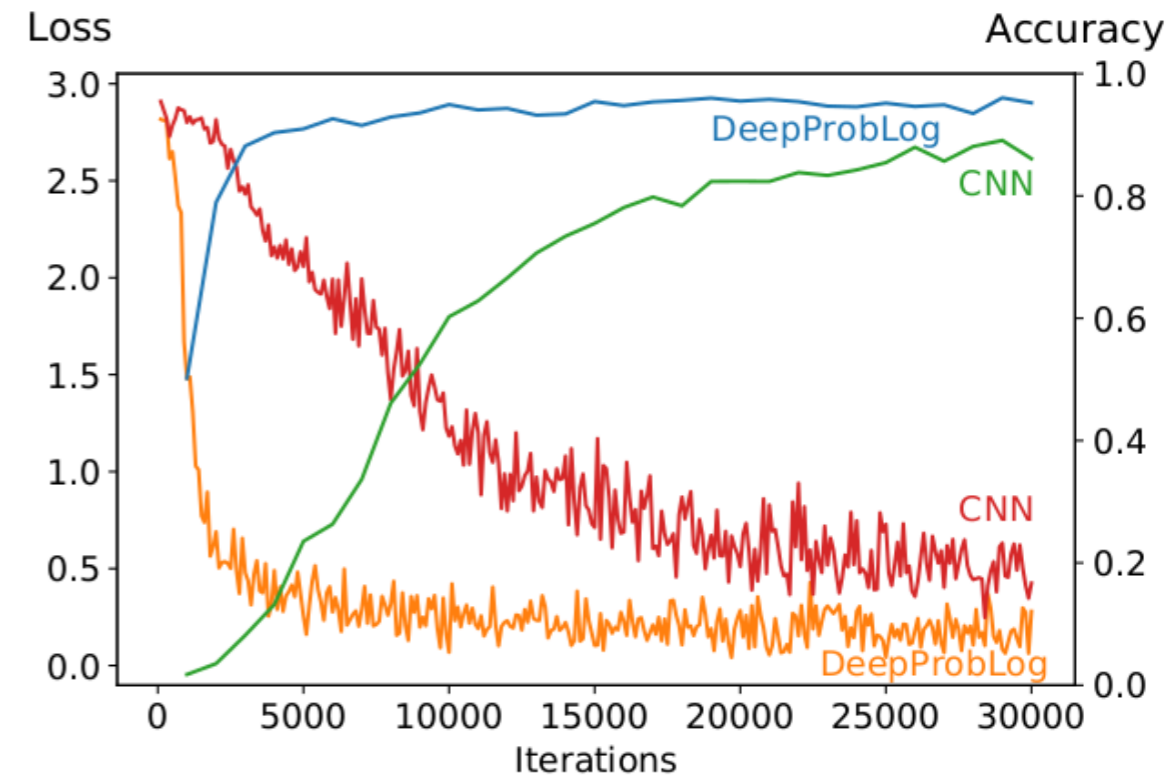
Pairs of MNIST images, labeled with sum

Baseline: CNN

- Classifies concatenation of both images into classes 0 ... 18

DeepProbLog:

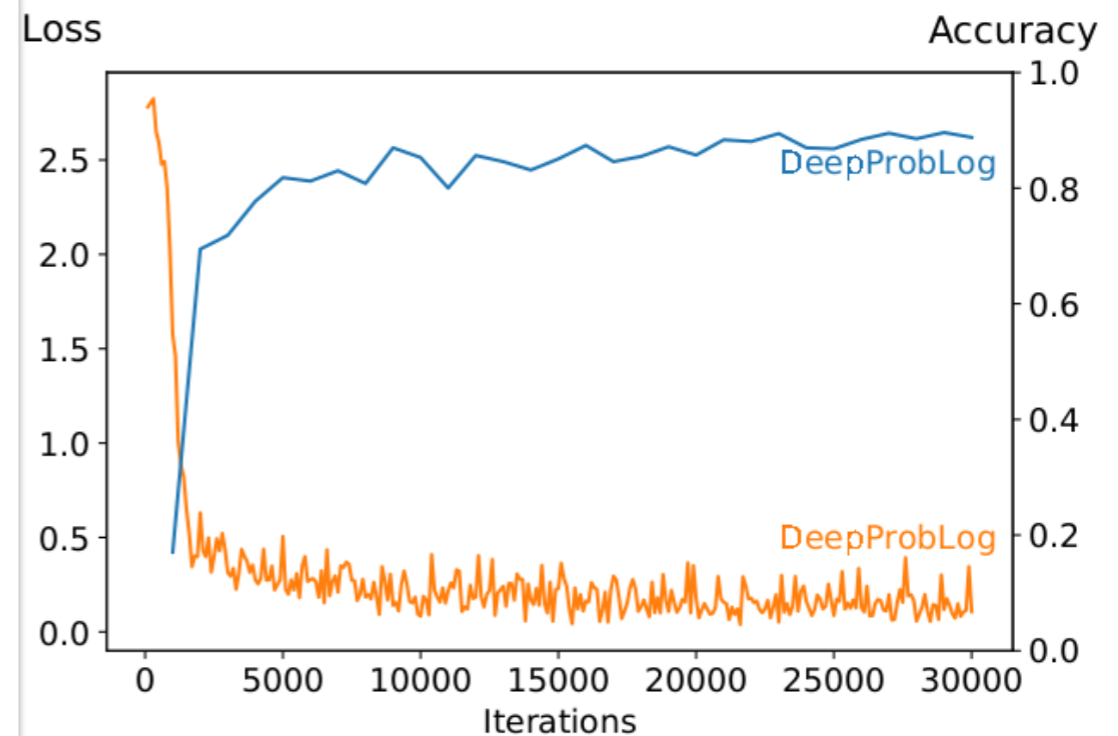
- CNN that classifies images into 0 ... 9
- Two lines of DeepProblog code



Multi-digit MNIST addition with MNIST

```
number ( [ ] , Result , Result ) .  
number ( [H | T ] , Acc , Result) :-  
    digit(H, Nr ) , Acc2 is Nr +10*Acc ,  
    number ( T , Acc2 , Result ) .  
number (X,Y) :- number (X, 0 ,Y) .
```

```
multiaddition(X, Y, Z) :-  
    number (X, X2 ) ,  
    number (Y, Y2 ) ,  
    Z is X2+Y2 .
```



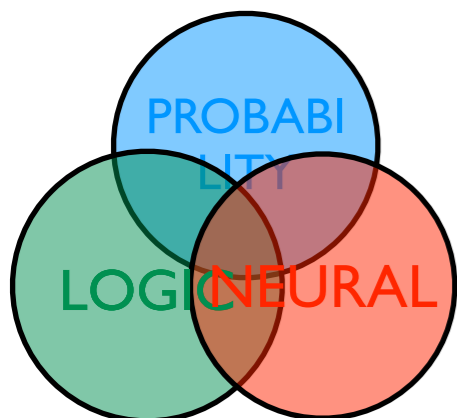
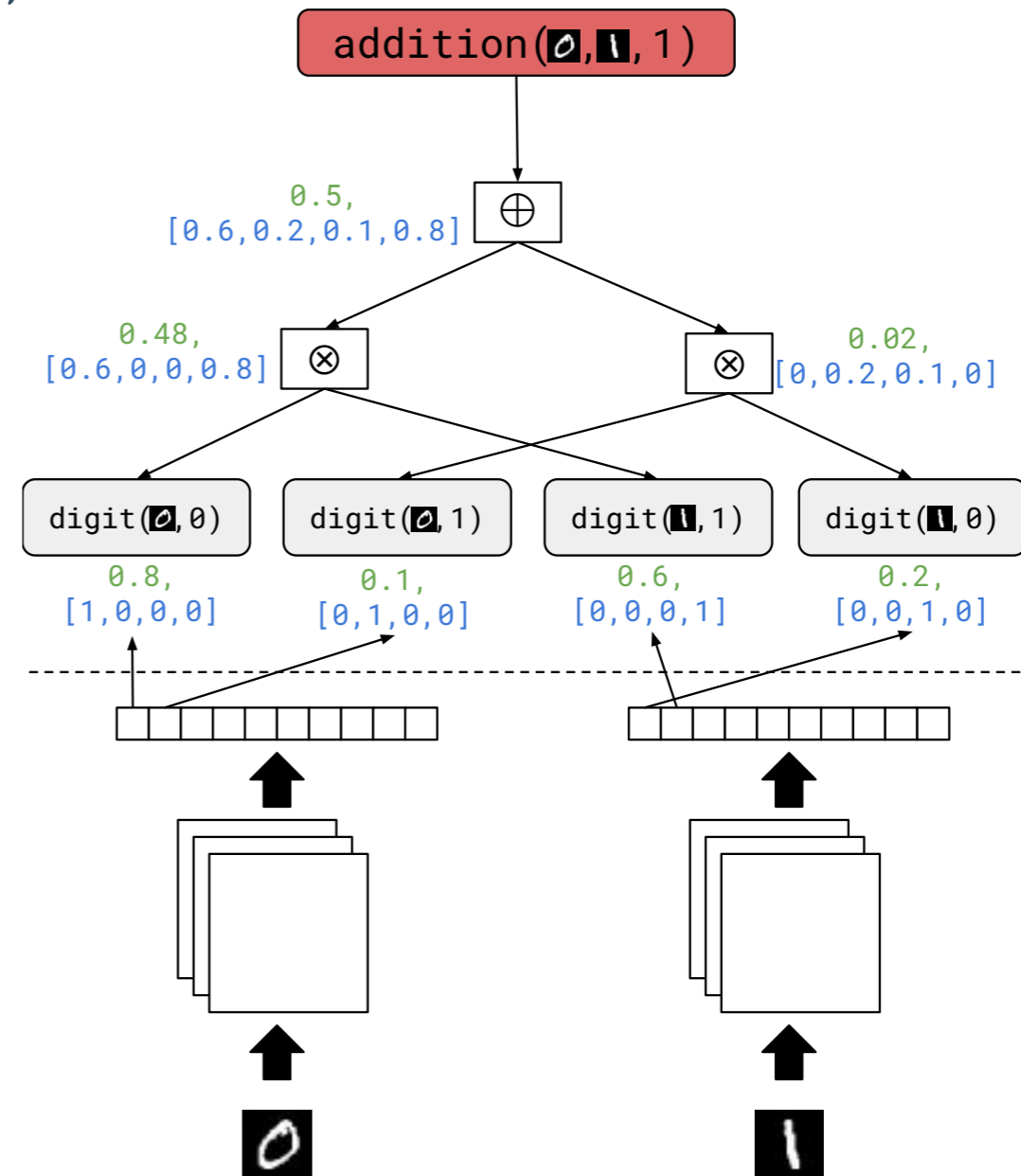
(b) Multi-digit (T2)

DeepProbLog

```
nn(mnist_net, [X], Y, [0 ... 9] ) ::
  digit(X,Y).
```

```
addition(X,Y,Z) :-
  digit(X,N1),
  digit(Y,N2),
  Z is N1+N2.
```

The ACs are differentiable and there is an interface with the neural nets



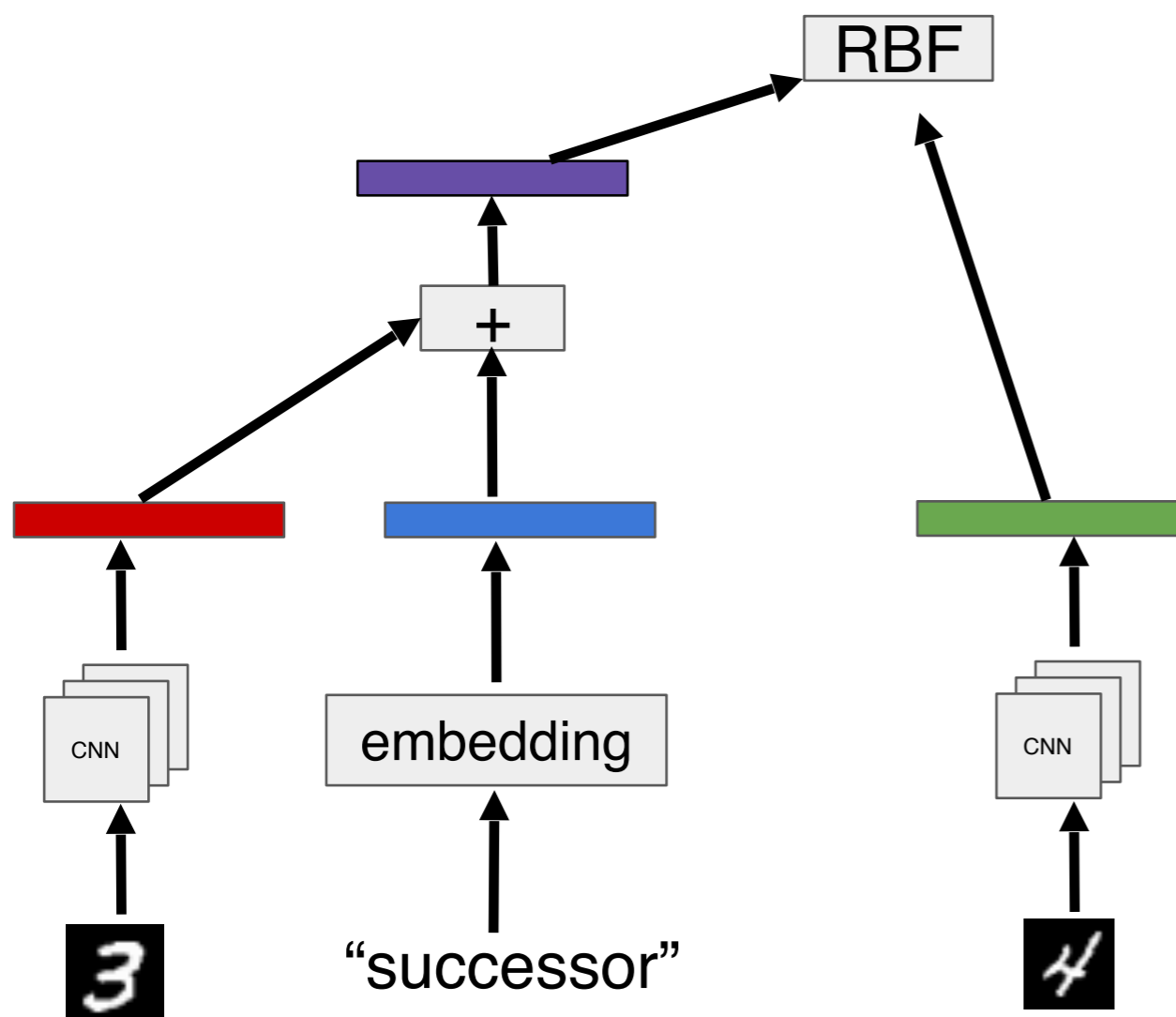
Useful Semirings

task	\mathcal{A}	e^\oplus	e^\otimes	\oplus	\otimes	$\alpha(v)$	$\alpha(\neg v)$	ref
SAT	$\{true, false\}$	<i>false</i>	<i>true</i>	\vee	\wedge	<i>true</i>	<i>true</i>	B, BT, G, GK, K, L, M
#SAT	\mathbb{N}	0	1	+	\cdot	1	1	B, G, GK, K, L
WMC	$\mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}$	0	1	+	\cdot	$\in \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}$	$\in \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}$	
PROB	$\mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}$	0	1	+	\cdot	$\in [0, 1]$	$1 - \alpha(v)$	B, BT, E, G, K
SENS	$\mathbb{R}[\mathcal{V}]$	0	1	+	\cdot	v or $\in [0, 1]$	$1 - \alpha(v)$	K
GRAD	$\mathbb{R}_{\geq 0} \times \mathbb{R}$	(0, 0)	(1, 0)	Eq. (4)	Eq. (5)	Eq. (2)	Eq. (3)	E, K
MPE	$\mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}$	0	1	max	\cdot	$\in [0, 1]$	$1 - \alpha(v)$	B, BT, G, K, L, M
S-PATH	\mathbb{N}^∞	∞	0	min	+	$\in \mathbb{N}$	0	BT, GK, K
W-PATH	\mathbb{N}^∞	0	∞	max	min	$\in \mathbb{N}$	∞	BT
FUZZY	[0, 1]	0	1	max	min	$\in [0, 1]$	1	GK, M
k WEIGHT	$\{0, \dots, k\}$	k	0	min	$+^k$	$\in \{0, \dots, k\}$	$\in \{0, \dots, k\}$	M
OBDD $_{<}$	OBDD $_{<}(\mathcal{V})$	OBDD $_{<}(0)$	OBDD $_{<}(1)$	\vee	\wedge	OBDD $_{<}(v)$	\neg OBDD $_{<}(v)$	K
WHY	$\mathcal{P}(\mathcal{V})$	\emptyset	\emptyset	\cup	\cup	$\{v\}$	n/a	GK
\mathcal{RA}^+	$\mathbb{N}[\mathcal{V}]$	0	1	+	\cdot	v	n/a	GK

Table 1: Examples of commutative semirings and labeling functions. The **WHY** and \mathcal{RA}^+ provenance semirings apply to positive literals only. Reference key: B (Bacchus et al., 2009), BT (Baras and Theodorakopoulos, 2010), E (Eisner, 2002), G (Goodman, 1999), GK (Green et al., 2007), K (Kimmig et al., 2011), L (Larrosa et al., 2010), M (Meseguer et al., 2006); more examples can be found in these references.

DeepProbLog: Embeddings as symbols

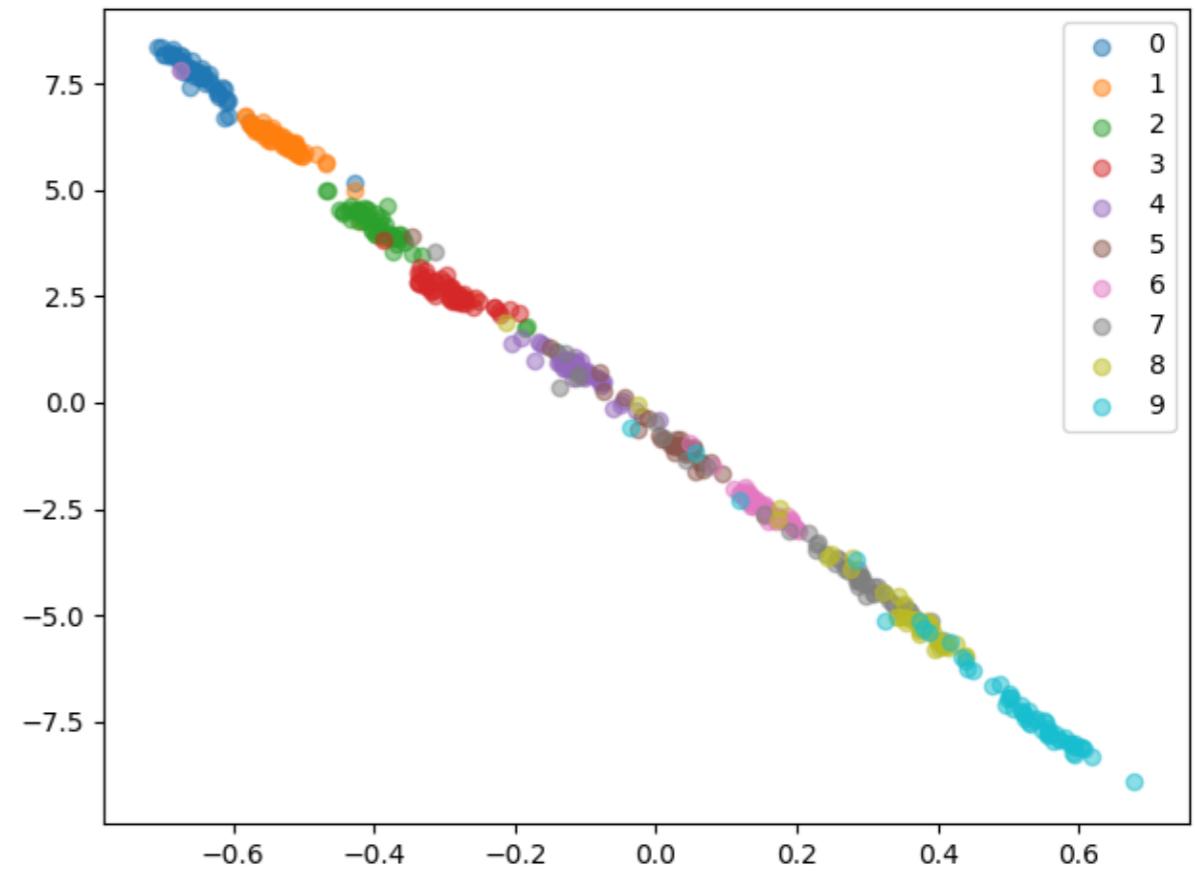
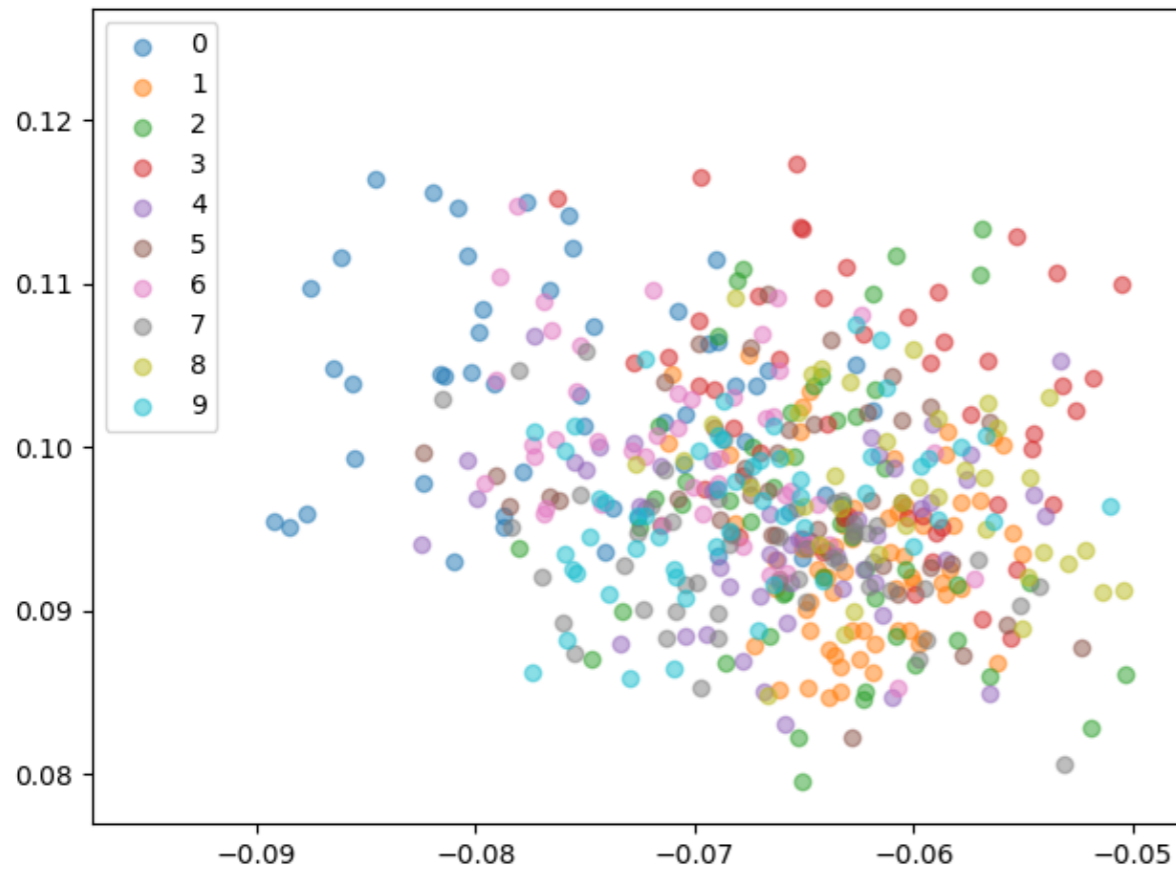
Computational Graph



```
successor(3, 4) :-  
  cnn_embed(3, e1),  
  cnn_embed(4, e2),  
  embed("successor", r),  
  add(r, e1, e3),  
  rbf(e2, e3).
```

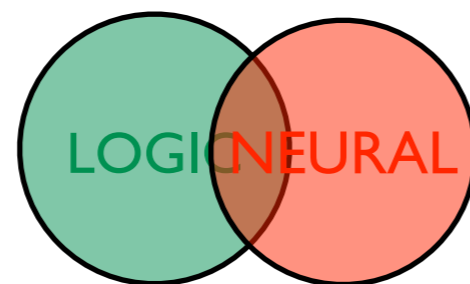
Idea of TransE [Bordes et al]

2D MNIST image embeddings



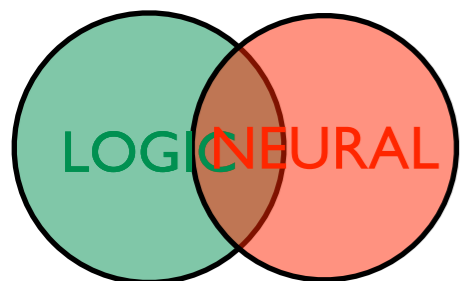
4. Symbolic vs sub-symbolic

Simultaneously symbolic and sub-symbolic



Simultaneously symbolic and sub-symbolic

- Both symbolic and sub-symbolic representations are used
 - All entities have both representations
 - Reasoning uses both **simultaneously**
- Reasoning mechanism is extended
- Only used in a few systems
 - E.g. NTP[1], CTP[2]



[1] Rocktäschel et al.: "End-to-end differentiable proving.", NeurIPS 2017.

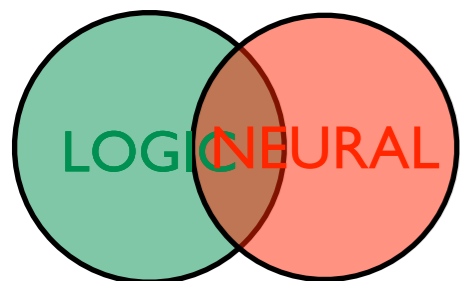
[2] Minervini et al.: "Learning Reasoning Strategies in End-to-End Differentiable Proving", ICML 2020



Neural Theorem Prover

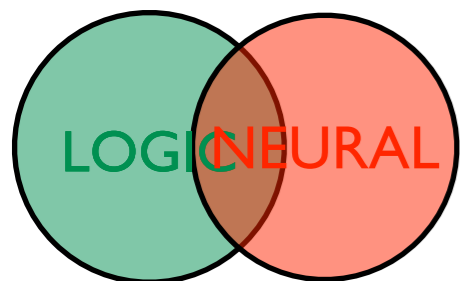
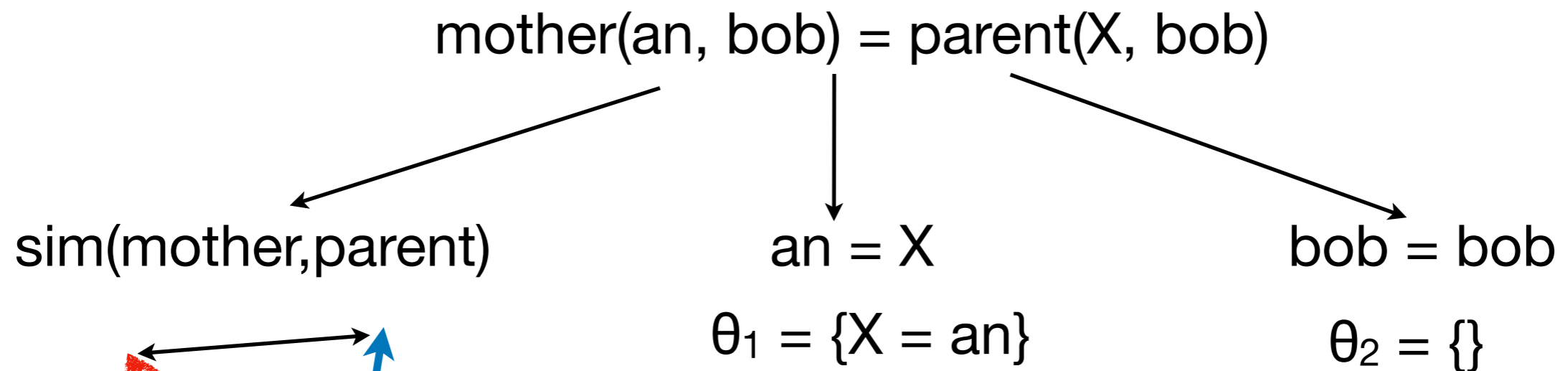
- The neural theorem prover uses both symbols and sub-symbols simultaneously
- Symbols retain their symbolic nature
- Each symbol has a learnable sub-symbol T

- Symbol comparison:
 - Normal unification
- Comparison of sub-symbols:
 - $\text{sim}(x,y) = \exp(-\|T_x - T_y\|_2)$



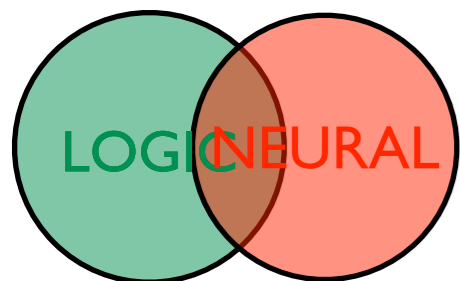
Soft unification

- Unify what can be unified
- Use similarity to compare other symbols and use it as a score



End-to-end differentiable proving

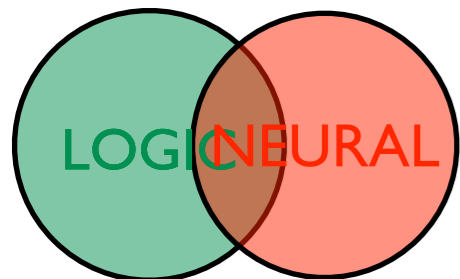
- OR module
 - Apply every rule whose head soft-unifies with the goal
 - Uses AND module to prove sub-goals in body
- AND module
 - Prove conjunction of sub-goals
 - Uses OR module to prove first goal
 - Uses AND module to recursively prove



Differentiable rule learning

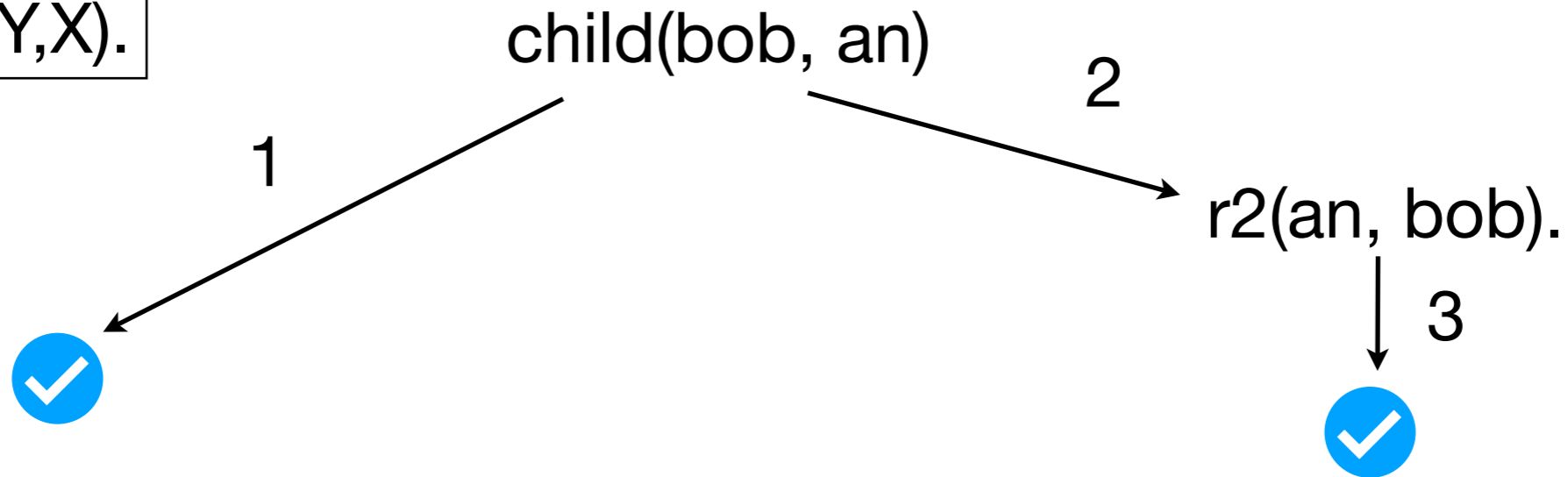
- Add parameterized rules
- $r1(X, Y) :- r2(Y, X)$
- $r3(X, Y) :- r4(X, Y), r5(Y, Z)$

- Sub-symbols for $r1, \dots, r5$ move closer to other predicates
- For example, if $r1$ is close to parent and $r2$ is close to child, equivalent to:
- $parent(X, Y) :- child(Y, X).$



Example

mother(an, bob).
r1(X, Y) :- r2(Y, X).

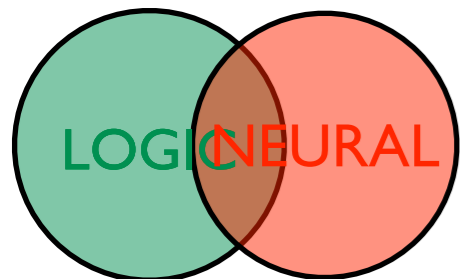


Unifications

1) mother(an, bob) = child(bob, an)
sim(mother, child)
sim(an, bob)

2) r1(X, Y) = child(bob, an)
sim(r1, child)
X = bob
Y = an

3) r2(an, bob) = mother(an, bob)
sim(r2, mother)

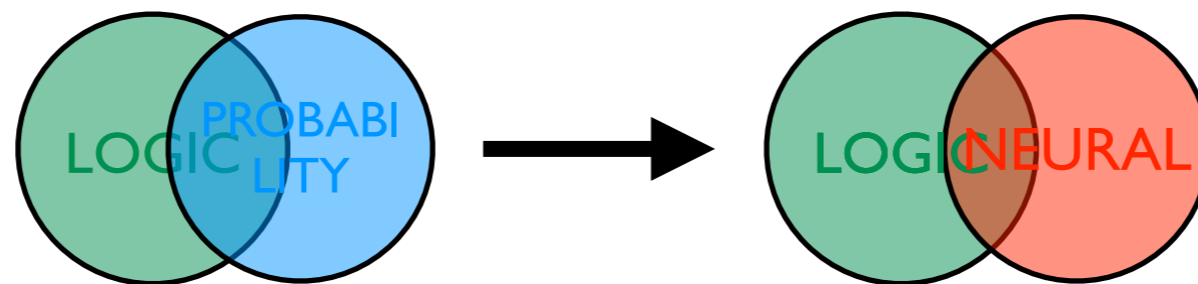


4. Symbolic vs sub-symbolic

Key Messages

- Entities are represented very differently in symbolic and sub-symbolic systems, but they are complementary
- NeSy systems can be categorized by how they use symbolic and sub-symbolic intermediate representations

5. Structure vs parameter learning

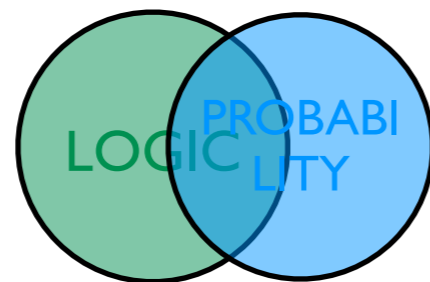


5. Learning

Key Messages

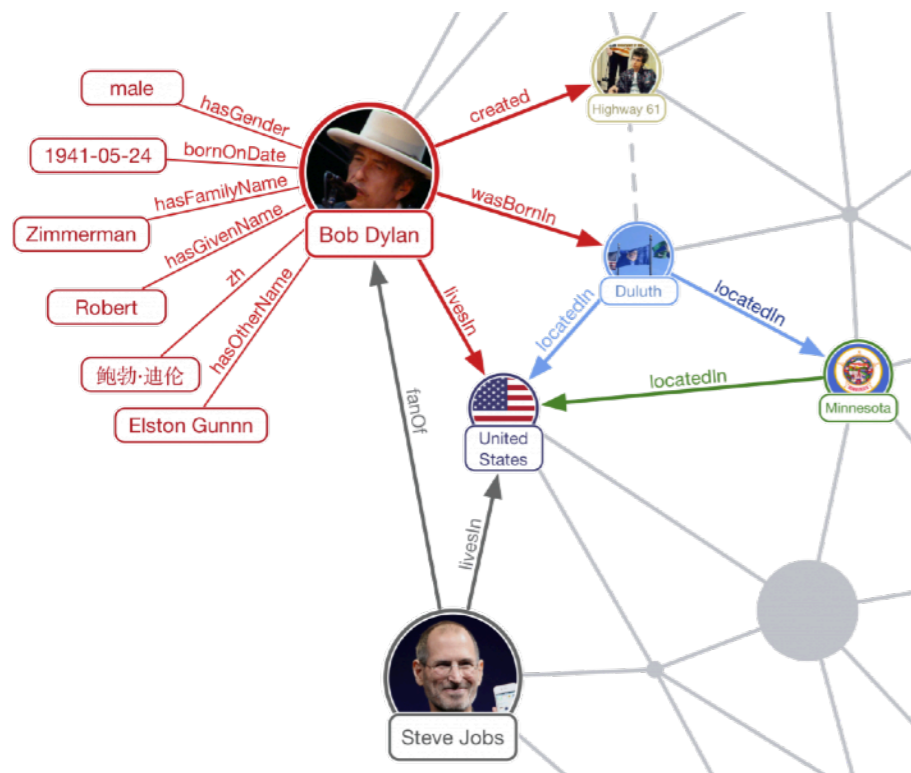
- Learning: finding logical formulas and estimating probabilities
- Structure learning: both formulas and probabilities
- Parameter learning: only probabilities
- Many flavours of learning in NeSy

5. Structure vs parameter learning



Learning in StarAI

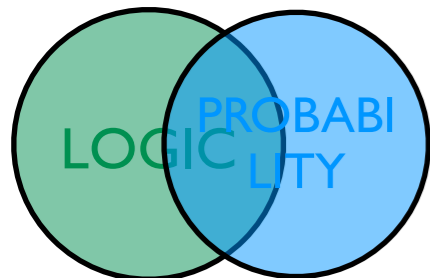
Obtaining models from data



0.7::nationality(X,Y) :-
livesIn(X,Y).

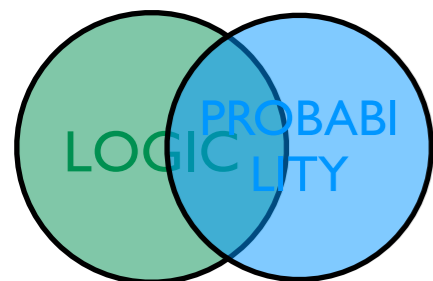
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bornIn(X,Y).



StarAI learning paradigms

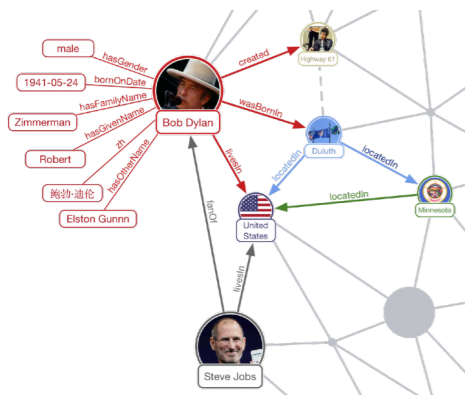
	Structure learning	Parameter learning
What is provided?	Data	Data and discrete structure
What is the learning goal?	Structure and parameters	Parameters



Learning types: Parameter learning

Learning the probabilities/weights of a specified model

Model (the formulas) are given



$\text{nationality}(X, Y) :-$
 $\text{livesIn}(X, Y).$

$\text{nationality}(X, Y) :-$
 $\text{livesIn}(X, Z), \text{locatedIn}(Z, Y).$

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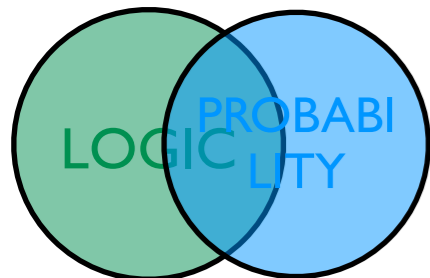
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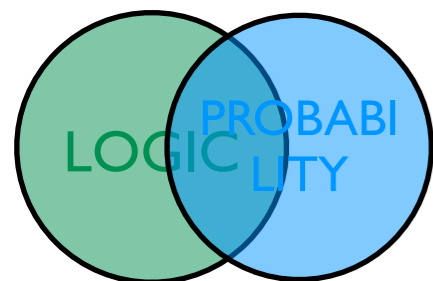
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Learning principles: identical to learning parameters of any parametric model

- gradient descent [Lowd & Domingos, 2007]
- least squares [Gutmann et al, 2008]
- Expectation Maximisation [Gutmann et al, 2011]



Learning types: Parameter

e.g., webpage classification model

for each **CLASS1**, **CLASS2** and each **WORD**

```
?? :: link_class(Source,Target,CLASS1,CLASS2).
```

```
?? :: word_class(WORD,CLASS).
```

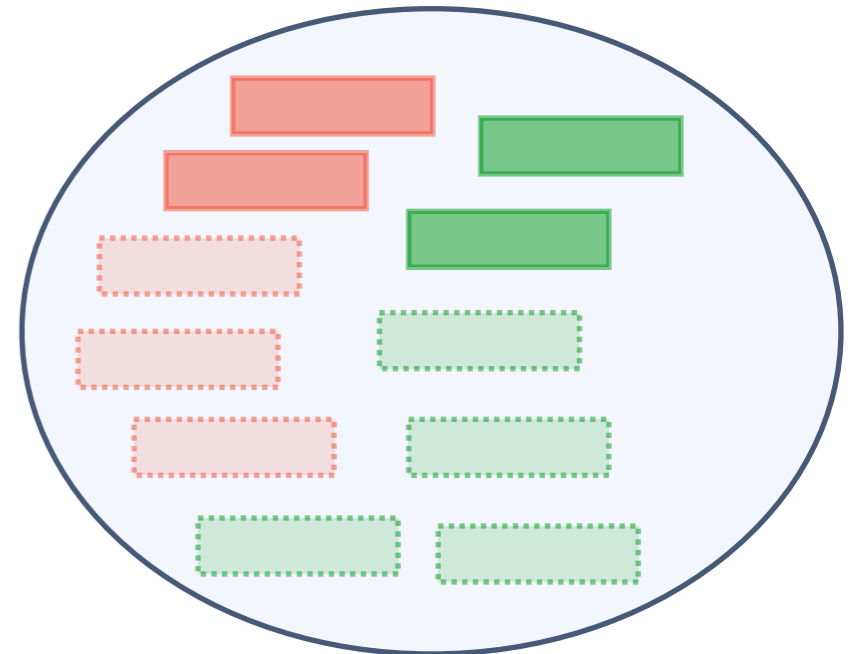
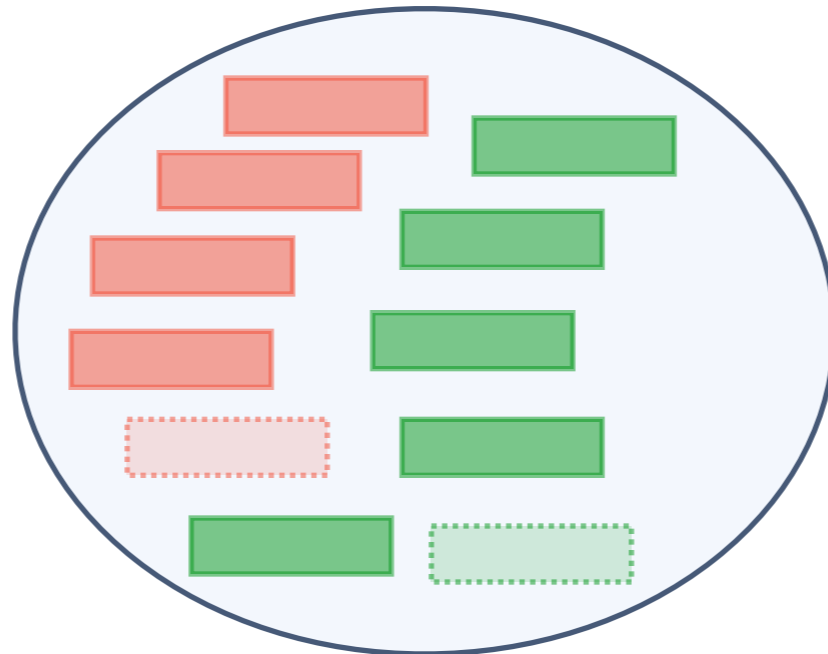
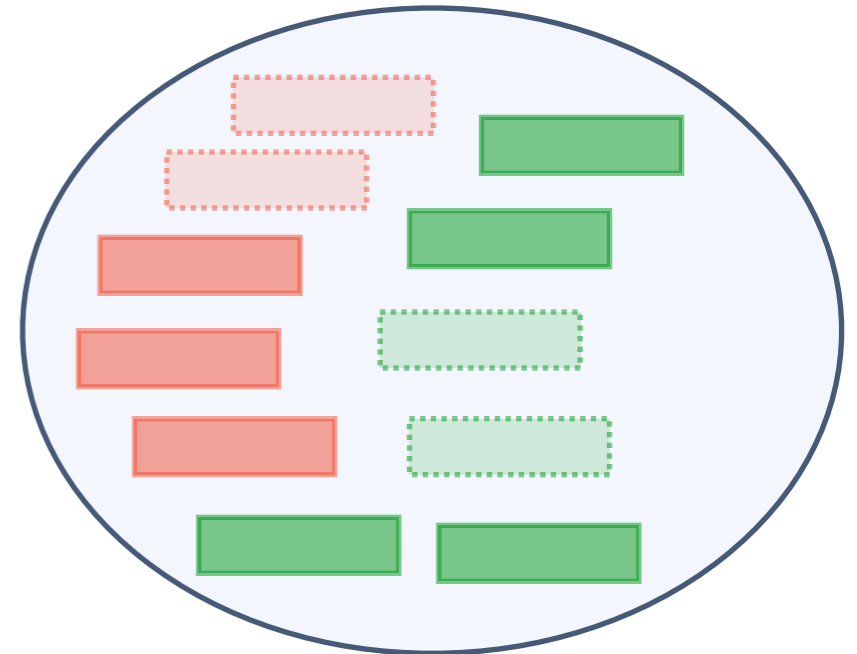
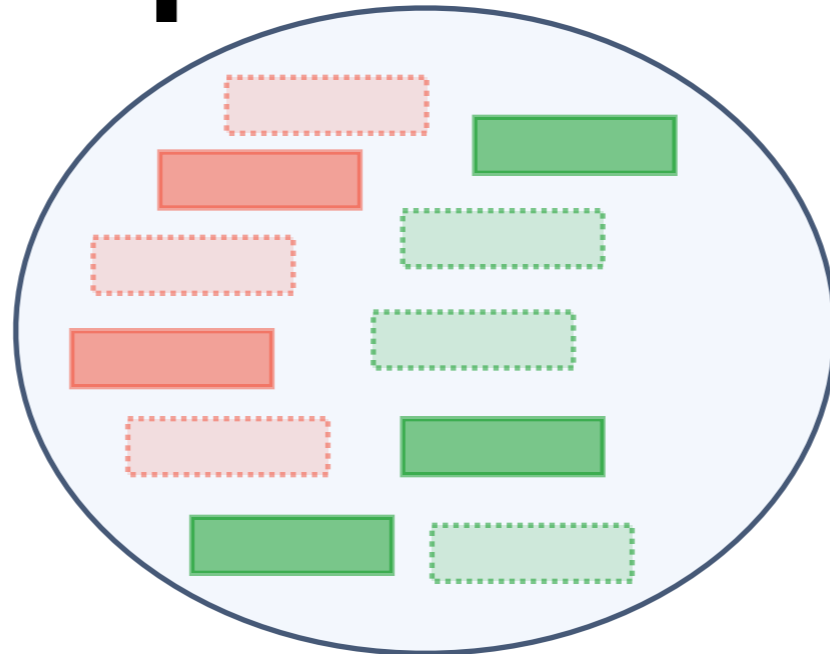
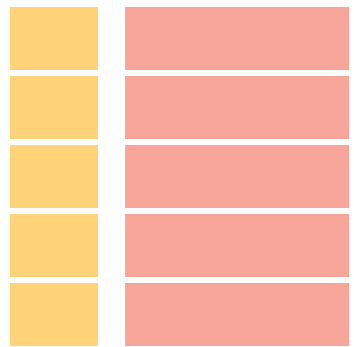
```
class(Page,C) :- has_word(Page,W), word_class(W,C).
```

```
class(Page,C) :- links_to(OtherPage,Page),
```

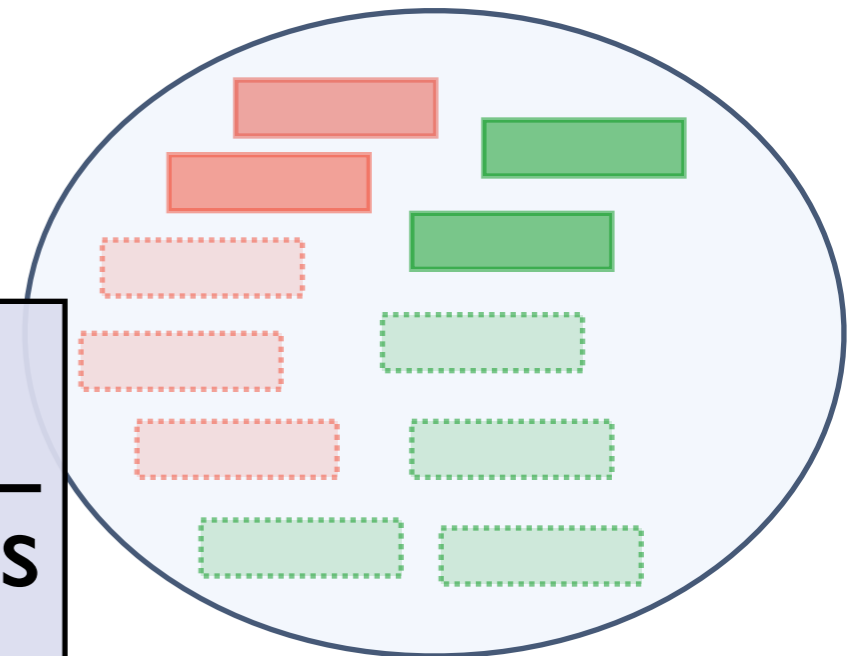
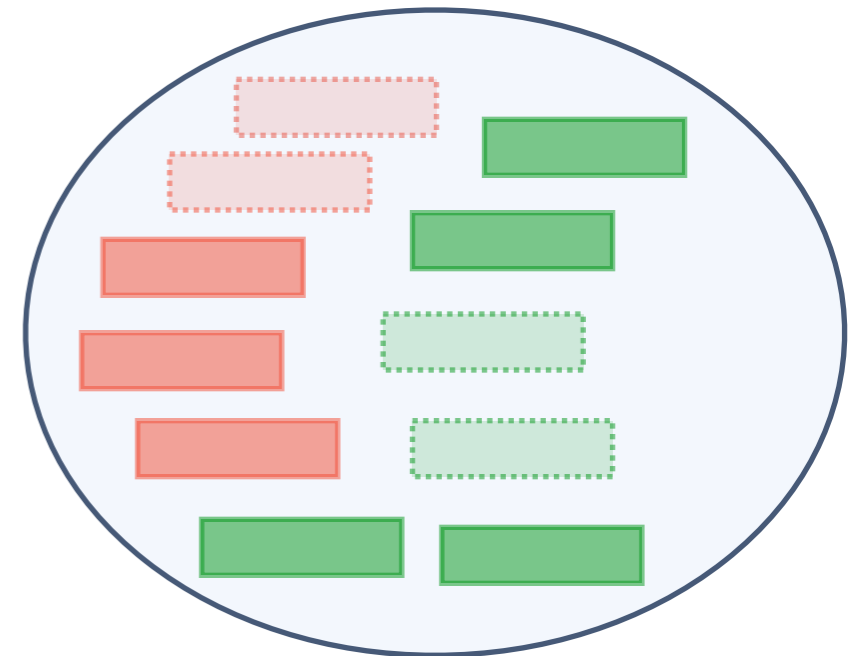
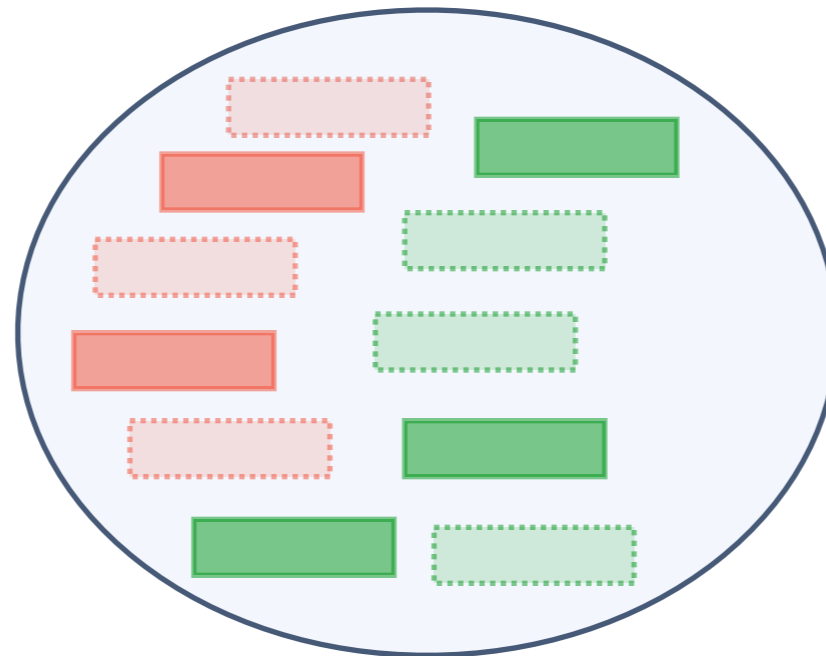
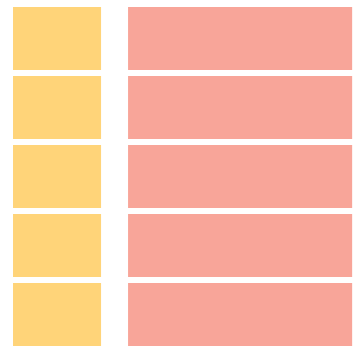
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class(OtherPage,OtherClass),
```

```
link_class(OtherPage,Page,OtherClass,C).
```

Sampling Interpretations

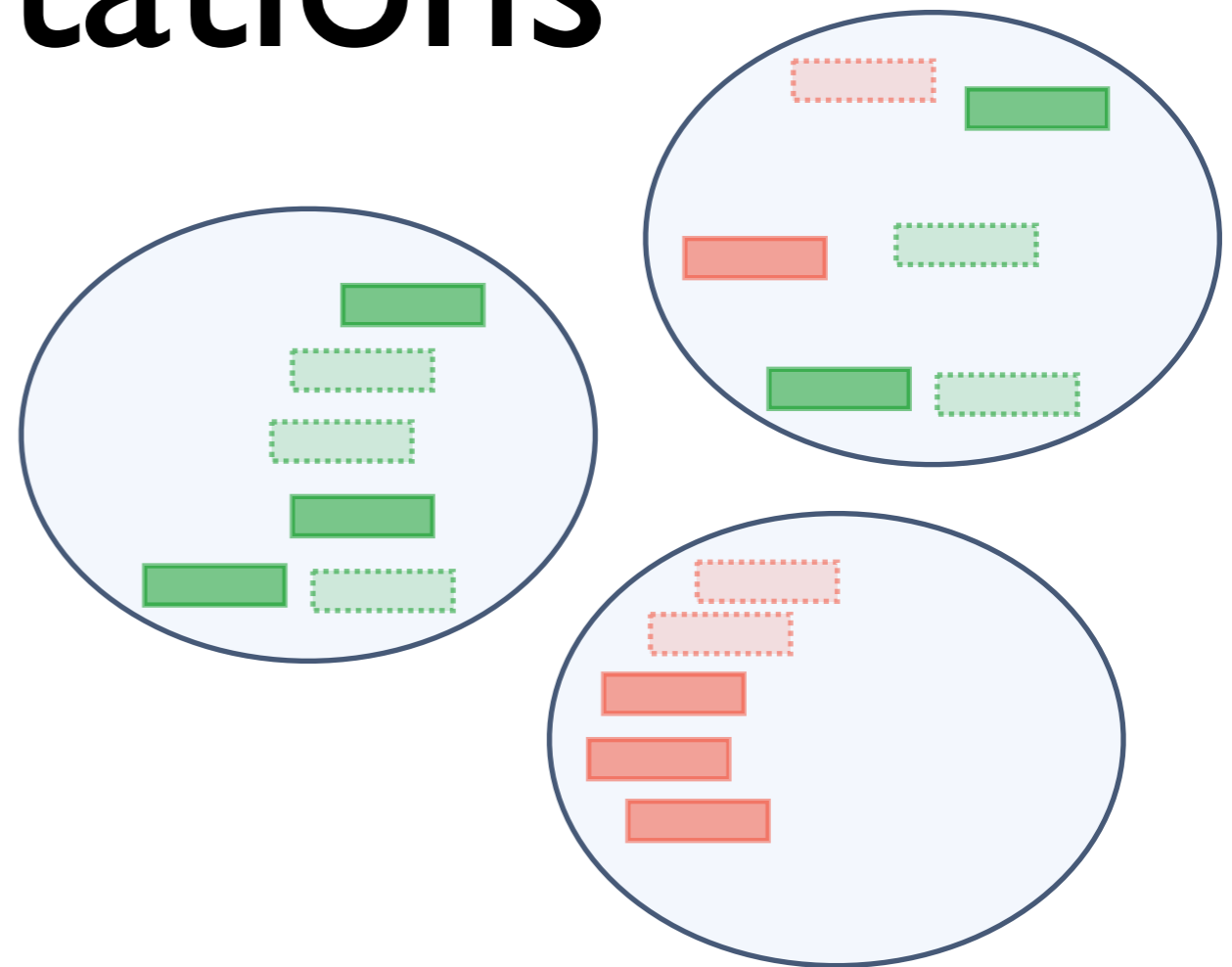


Parameter Estimation



$$p(\mathbf{fact}) = \frac{\text{count}(\mathbf{fact} \text{ is true})}{\text{Number of interpretations}}$$

Learning from partial interpretations



- Not all facts observed
- Soft-EM
- use **expected count** instead of **count**
- **$P(Q | E)$ -- conditional queries !**

Learning from partial interpretations

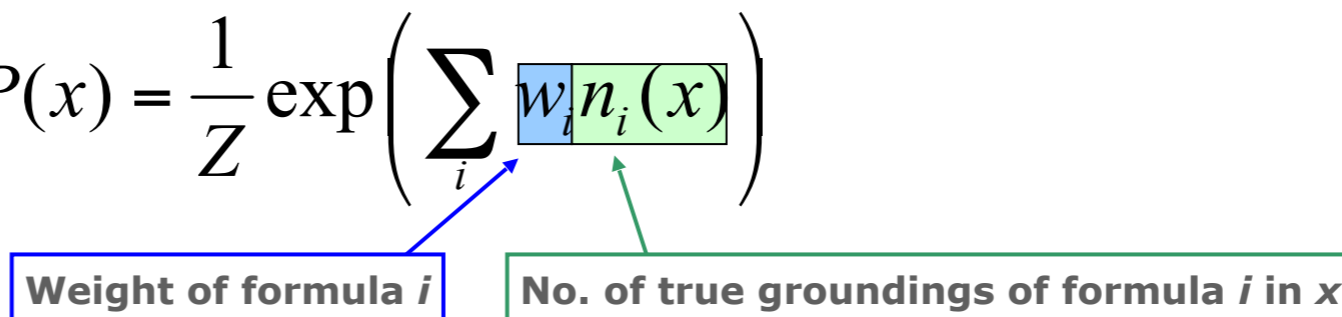
Key Points for parameter learning in SRL

- Not all facts
 - Soft-EM
 - use **expected count** instead of **count**
 - **$P(Q | E)$ -- conditional queries !**
- Parameters have to be tied together
 - Similar to CNNs and HMMs
 - Control the groundings

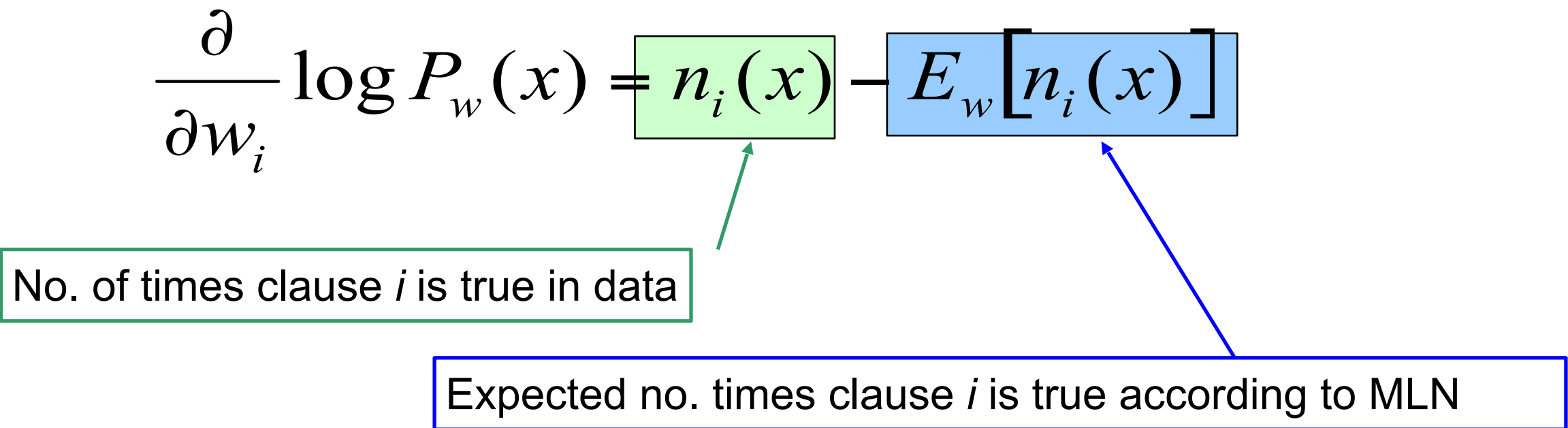
Markov Logic

- A Markov Logic Network (MLN) is a set of pairs (F, w) where
 - F is a formula in first-order logic
 - w is a real number
- An MLN defines a Markov network with
 - One node for each grounding of each predicate in the MLN
 - One feature for each grounding of each formula F in the MLN, with the corresponding weight w
- Probability of a world

$$P(x) = \frac{1}{Z} \exp \left(\sum_i w_i n_i(x) \right)$$



Parameter Learning

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial w_i} \log P_w(x) = n_i(x) - E_w[n_i(x)]$$
The equation is presented with the term $n_i(x)$ enclosed in a light green box and $E_w[n_i(x)]$ enclosed in a light blue box. A green arrow points from the green box to a green-bordered text box below it. A blue arrow points from the blue box to a blue-bordered text box below it.

No. of times clause i is true in data

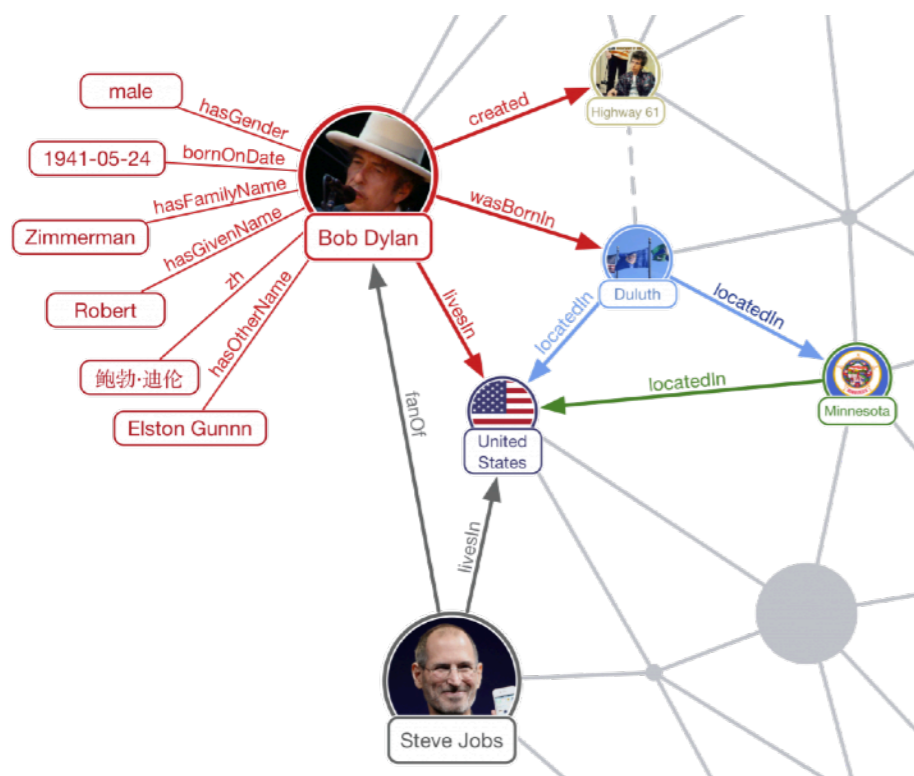
Expected no. times clause i is true according to MLN

Has been used for generative learning (Pseudolikelihood);
Many variations (also discriminative);
applications in networks, NLP, bioinformatics, ...

Learning types: Structure learning

Finding the clauses/logical formulas of a model

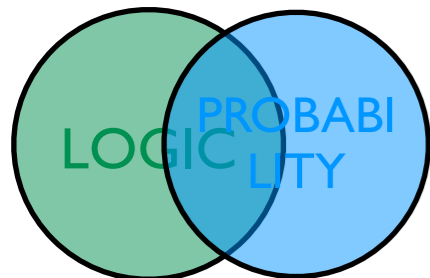
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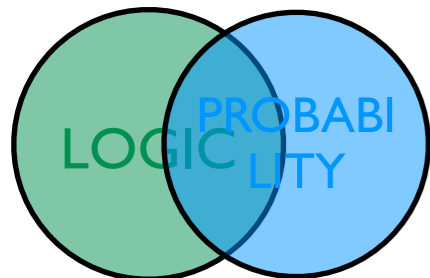
Two types of structure learning

Discriminative

- specific target relation
- separate background knowledge

Generative

- no specific target relation
- learning generative process behind data

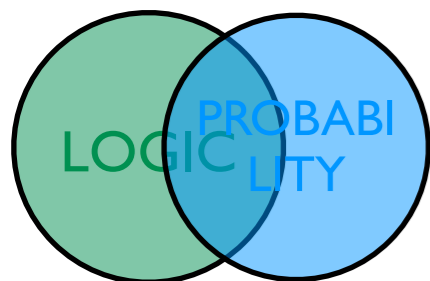
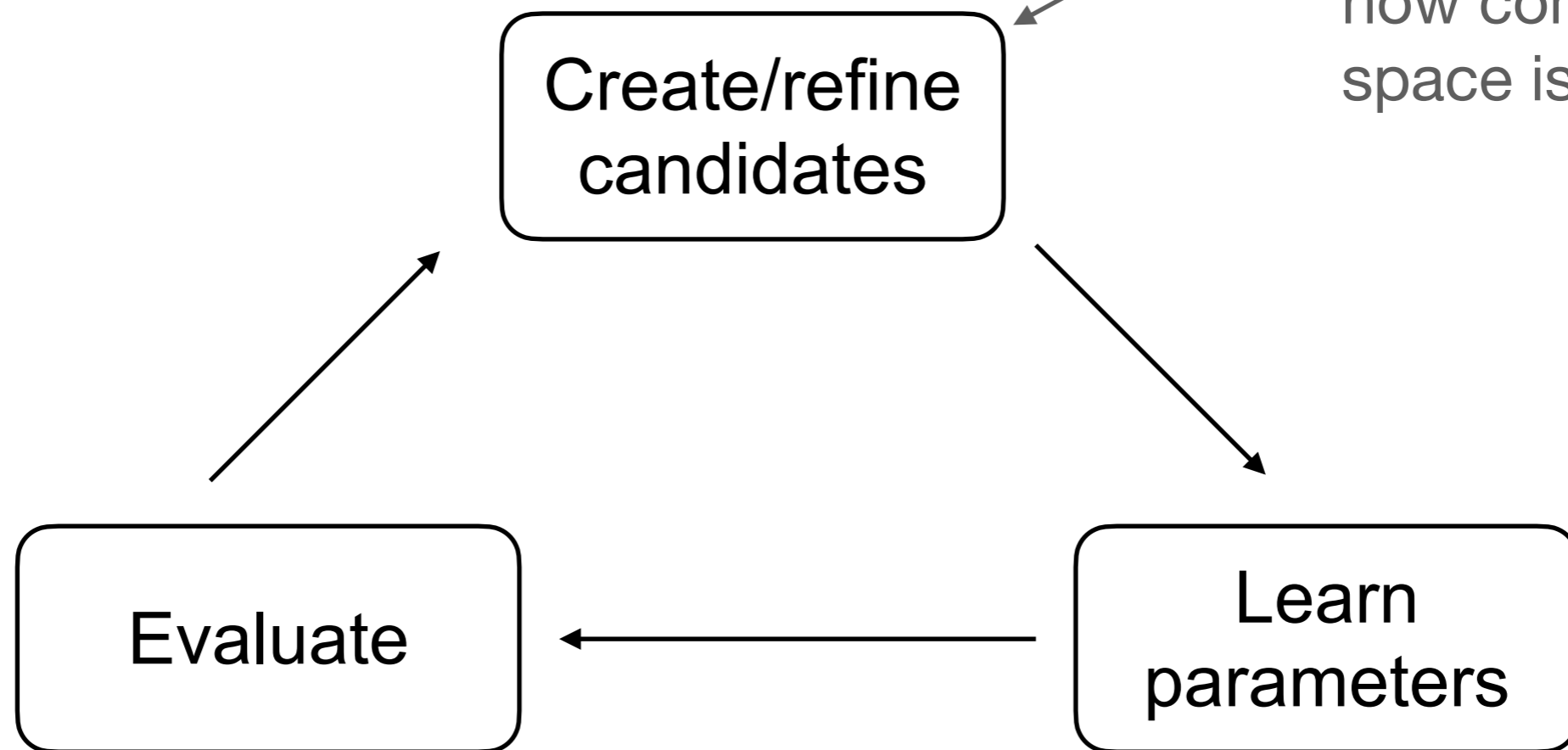


Learning types: Structure learning

Learning by searching

Combinatorial enumeration

need to control
how complex this
space is



Learning via enumeration - Probfoil+

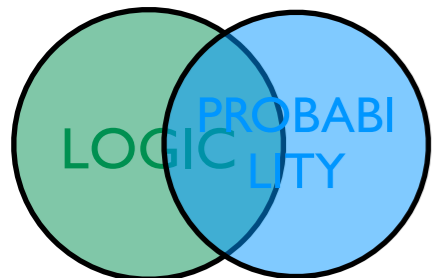
[De Raedt et al, 2015]

Model: $\{\}.0:: \text{grandparent}(X,Y) \leftarrow \text{mother}(X,Z), \text{father}(Z,Y)\}$

if not good enough, refine!
start again with a single rule!

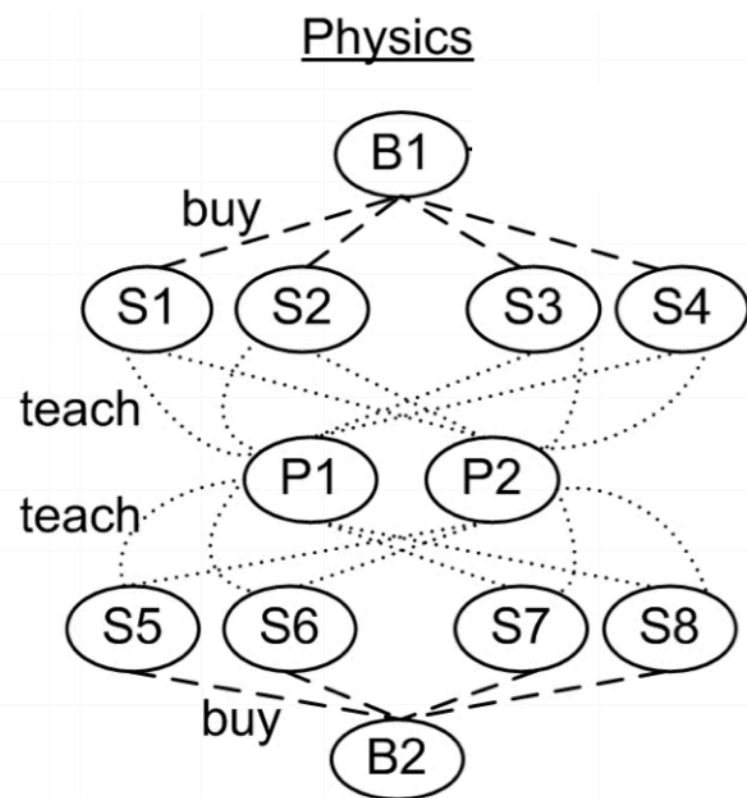
Learn one rule:

~~$p:: \text{grandparent}(X,Y) \leftarrow \text{true}$~~
 ~~$p:: \text{grandparent}(X,Y) \leftarrow \text{true}$~~
 $p:: \text{grandparent}(X,Y) \leftarrow \text{mother}(X,Y)$
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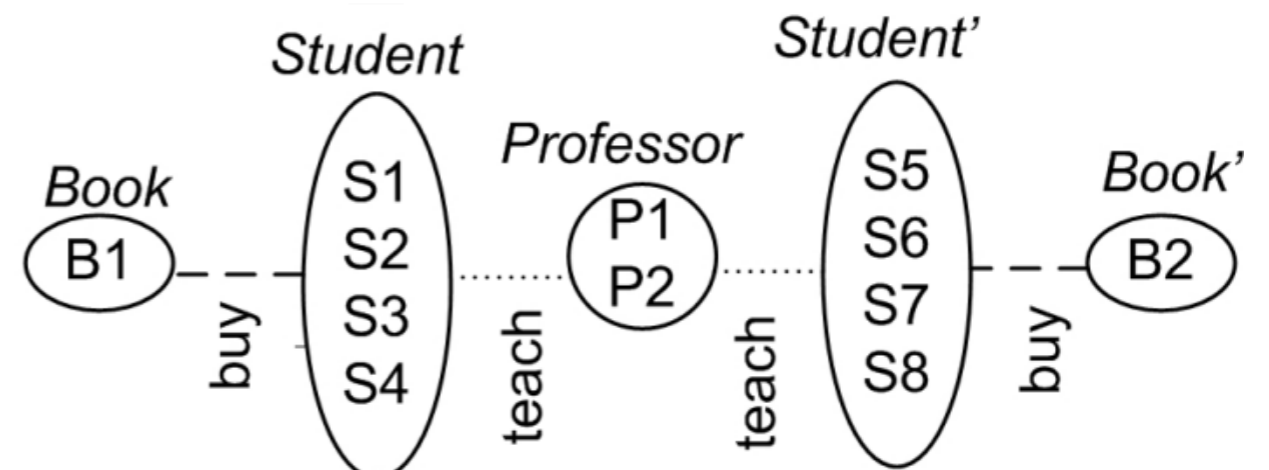


Learning via random walks

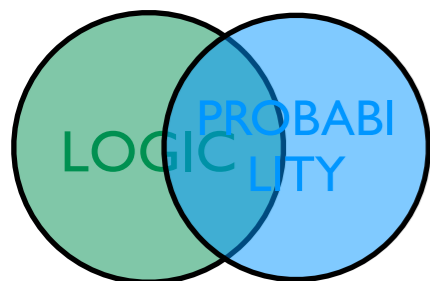
[Kok & Domingos, 2009]



“Lift” a knowledge graph by identifying nodes with the same role



Traverse the lifted knowledge graph
and
turn every path into a clause/rule



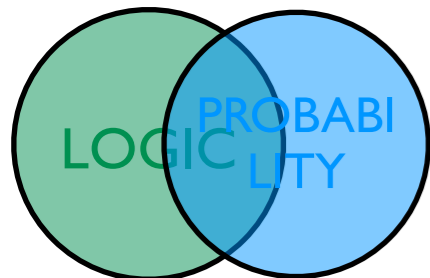
Learning in StarAI - overview

Structure learning

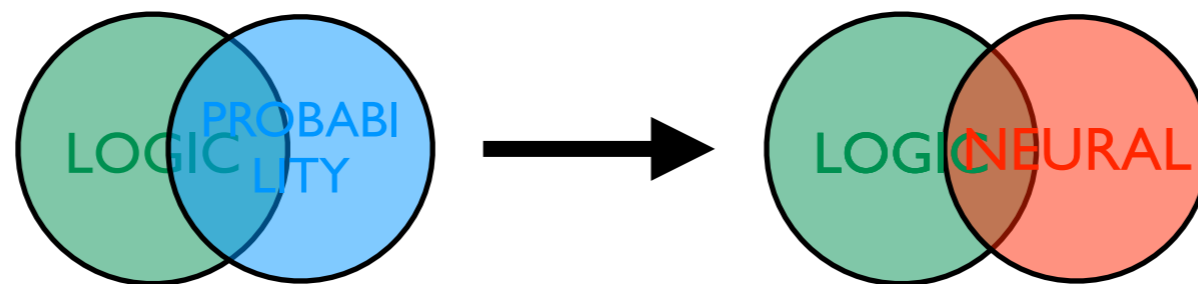
- + Starts directly from data
- Combinatorial problem
- User needs to design a language

Parameter learning

- + Learning is easier
- + Scales better
- An expert needs to provide the rules
- Sensitive to the choice of rules



5. Structure vs parameter learning



Spectrum of learning paradigms

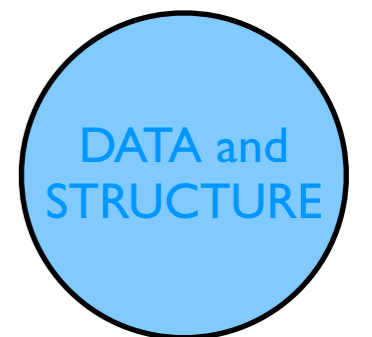
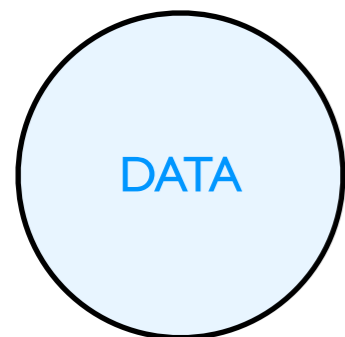
Soft patterns

Neural generation

Structure via
parameter learning

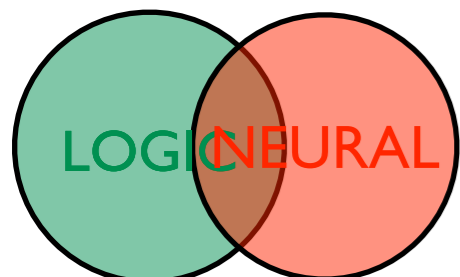
Neurally-guided
learning

Program sketching



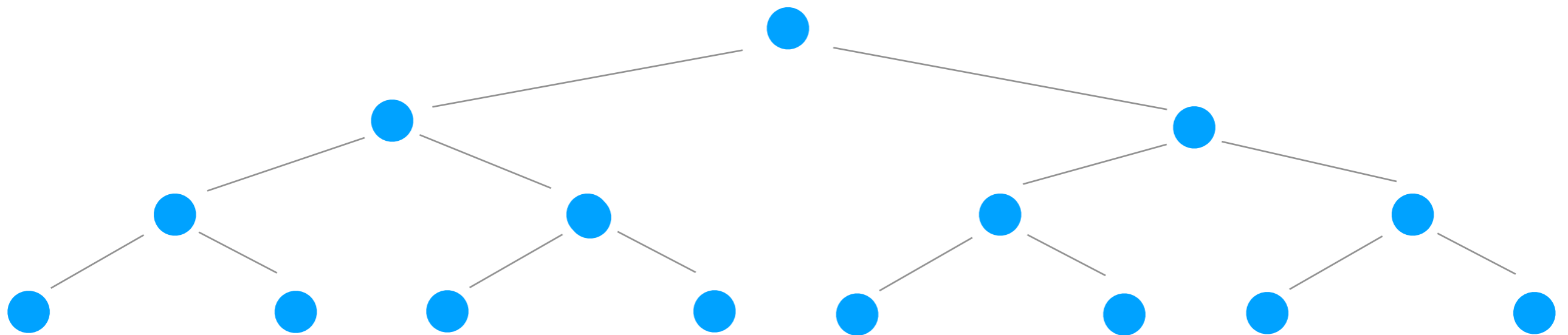
Structure learning

Parameter learning

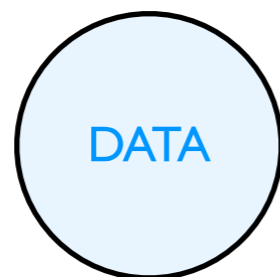
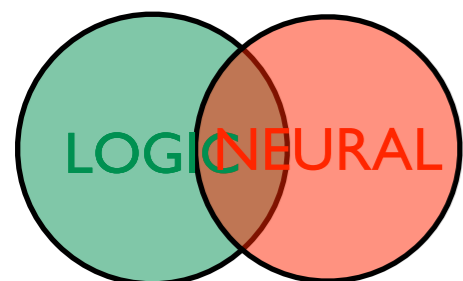


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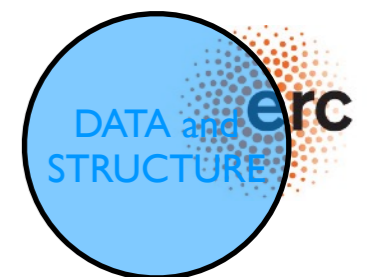
[Balog et al, 2017]



StarAI techniques search for clauses/rules systematically



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DeepCoder

[Balog et al, 2017]

Preferences of learning ‘primitives’

Learn from pairs
(examples, program)

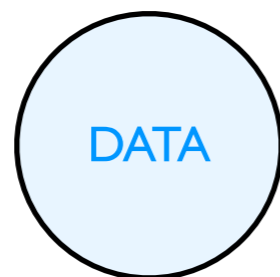
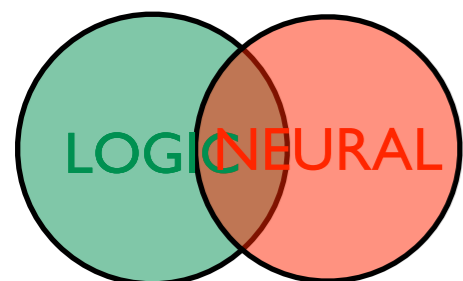
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a ← [int]
b ← FILTER (<0) a
c ← MAP (*4) b
d ← SORT c
e ← REVERSE d
    
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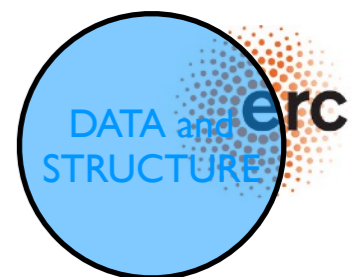
An input-output example:

```

Input:
[-17, -3, 4, 11, 0, -5, -9, 13, 6, 6, -8, 11]
Output:
[-12, -20, -32, -36, -68]
    
```



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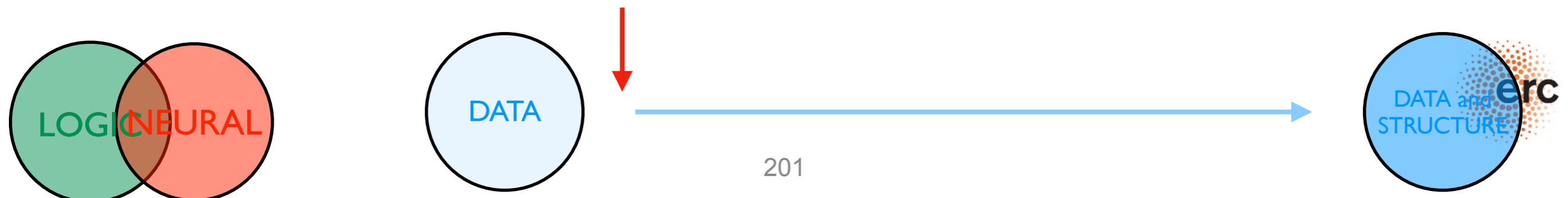
DreamCoder

[Ellis et al, 2018]

Distribution of primitives defines a generative model of programs

$$q(\text{programs} \mid \text{examples})$$

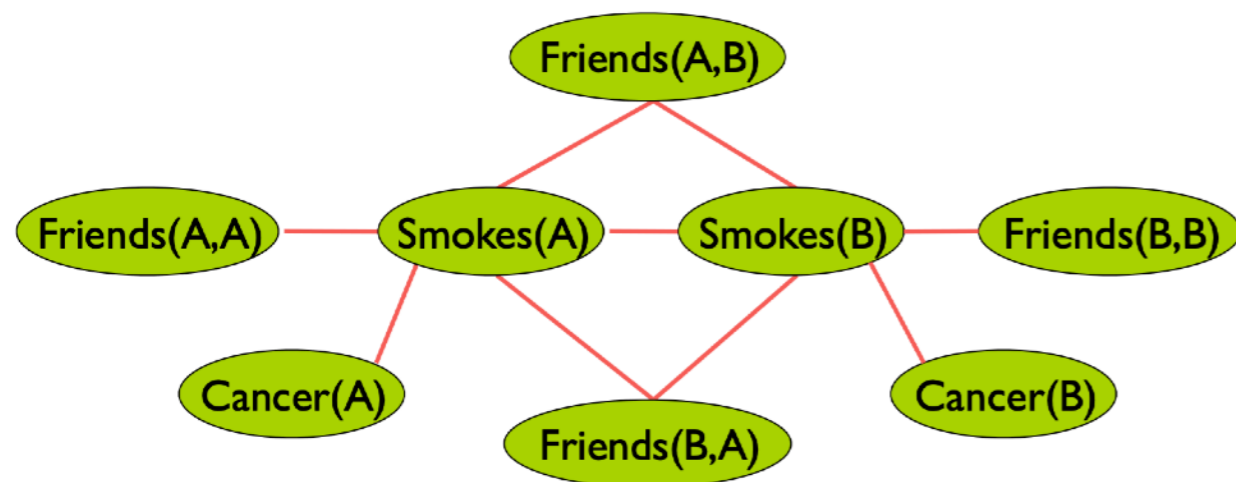
Neural network outputs the posterior distribution over programs likely to solve a specific task



Neural Markov Logic Networks

[Marra et al, 2020]

MLNs can be interpreted as log-linear models



$$P(X = x) = \frac{1}{Z} \prod_i \phi_i(x_{\{i\}})^{n_i(x)}$$

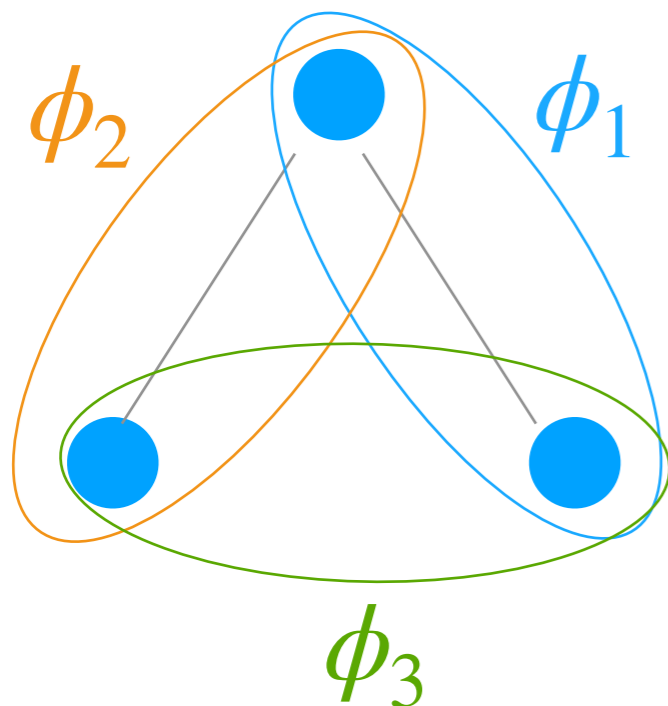
potentials come from formulas
provided by the expert
(cliques in Markov network)



Neural Markov Logic Networks

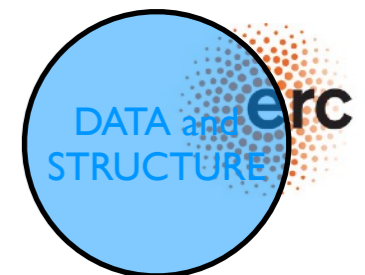
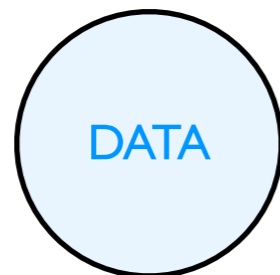
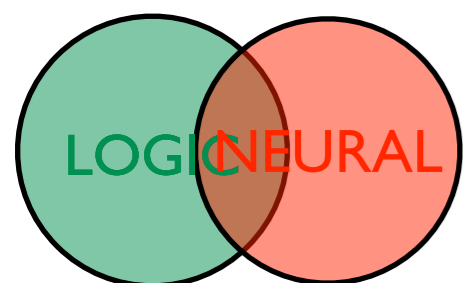
[Marra et al, 2020]

Learn neural potentials from fragments of data

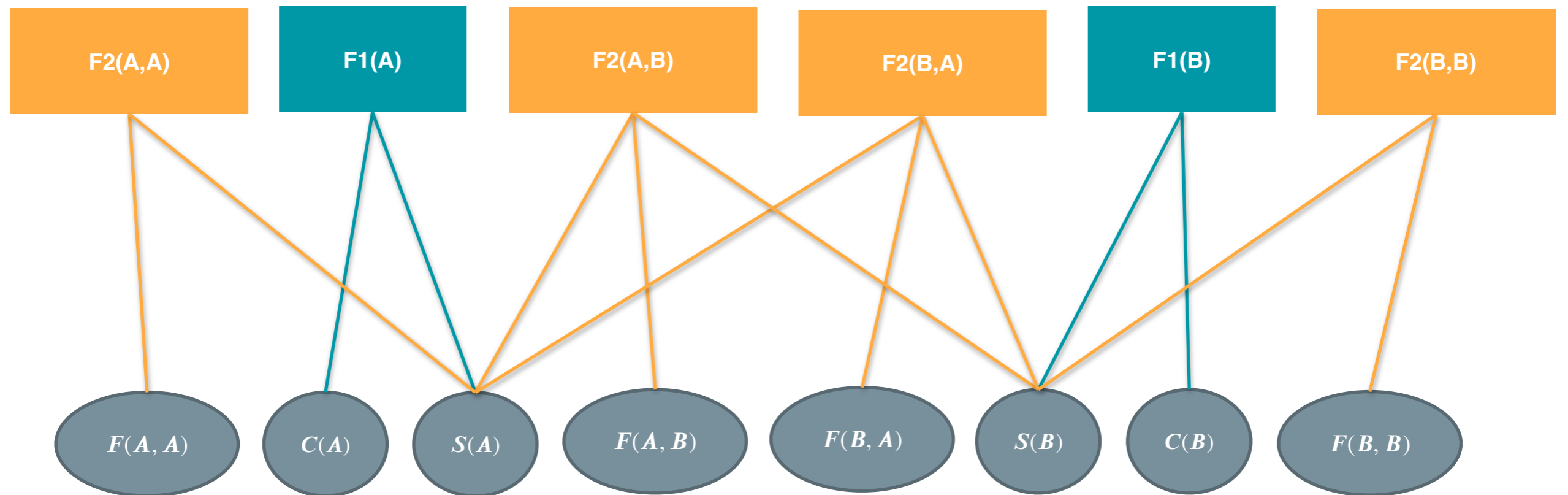


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potentials come from fragments of data (knowledge graph)



Markov Logic

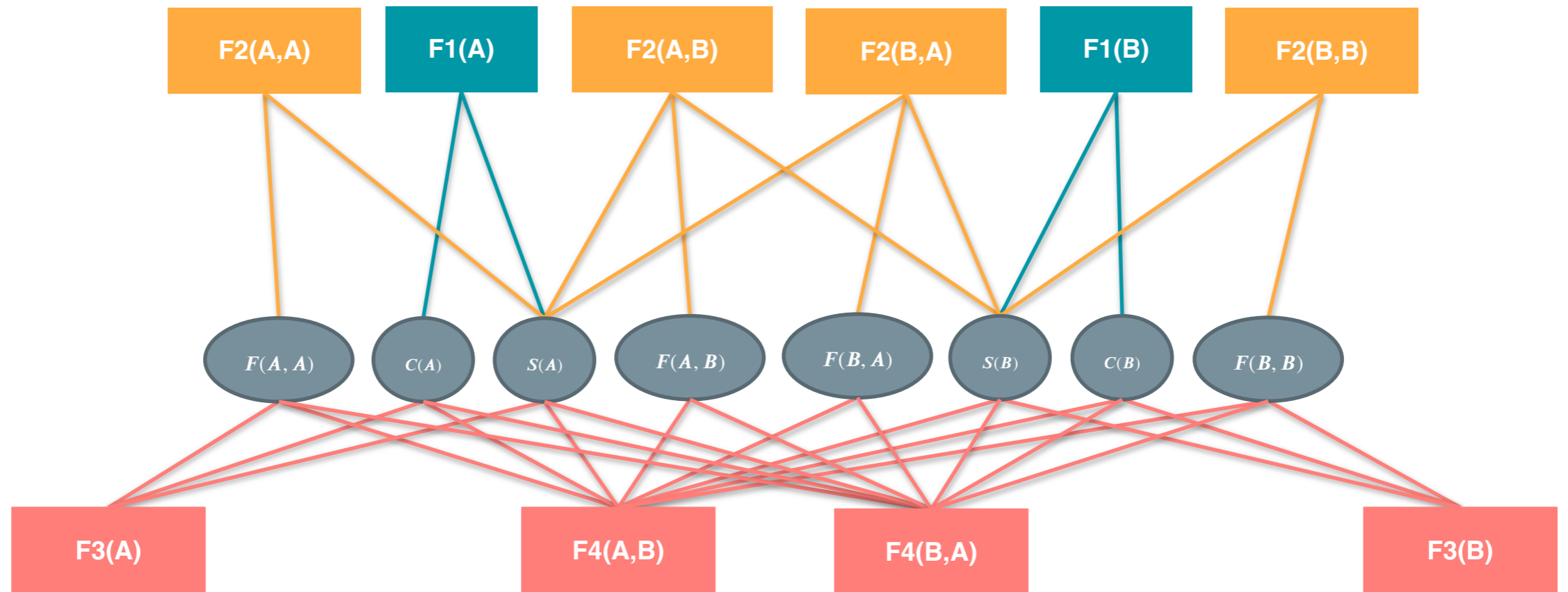


represented as a factor graph

$$P(\text{Interpretation}) \propto \prod_i F_i(X, Y) = \prod_i \exp(w_i \mathbb{1}(\text{Interpretation} \models F_i))$$



Neural Markov Logic



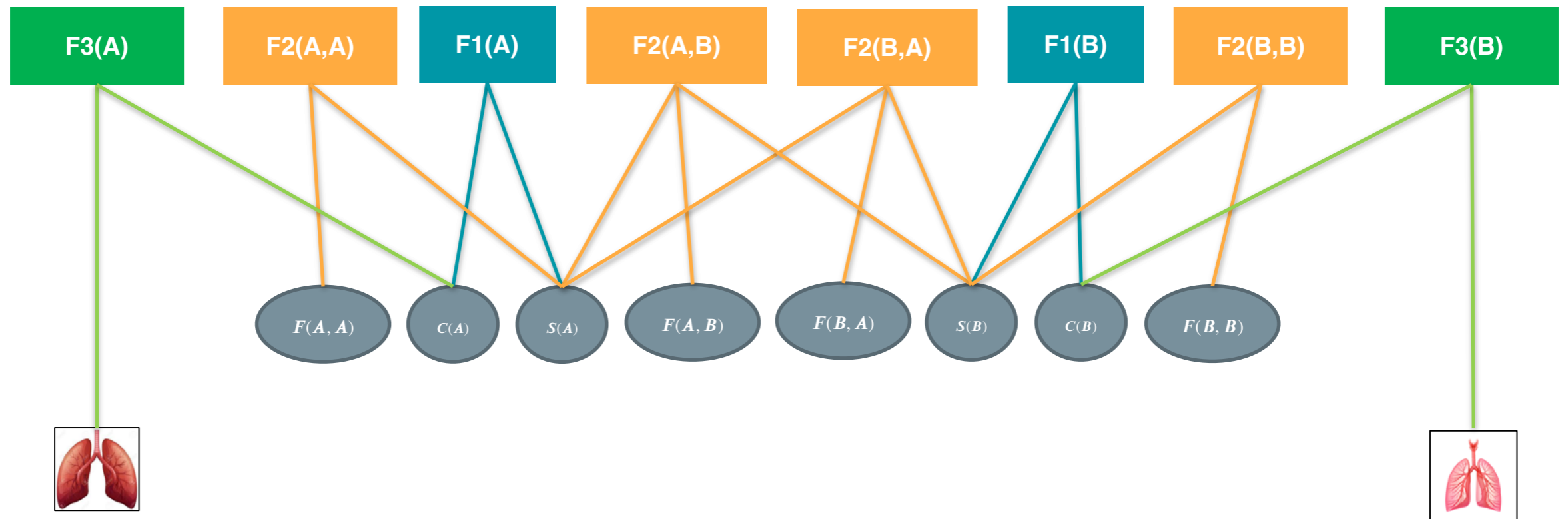
F3 and F4 are trainable factors

very much like in probabilistic graphical models and embeddings/hidden layers of a NN

F3 and F4 correspond in a sense to the logical rules in the other factors
this gives a kind of structure learning
F3 and F4 will not be “interpretable”

Relational Neural Machines

[Marra et al ECAI 20]



$$F3\left(\omega_{Cancer(Alice)}, \left[\text{Lung Image} \right] \right) = 1 - \left(CNN_{cancer}\left(\left[\text{Lung Image} \right] \right) - \omega_{Cancer(Alice)} \right)^2$$

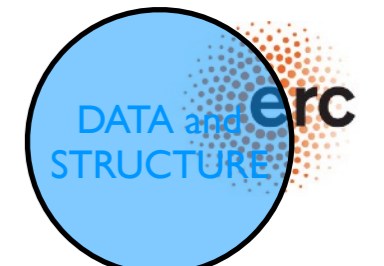
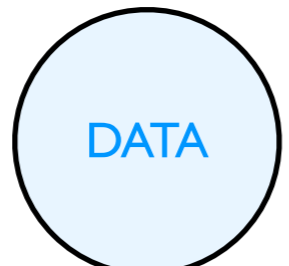
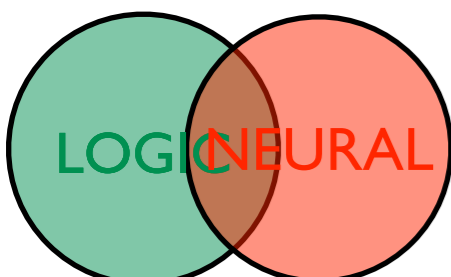
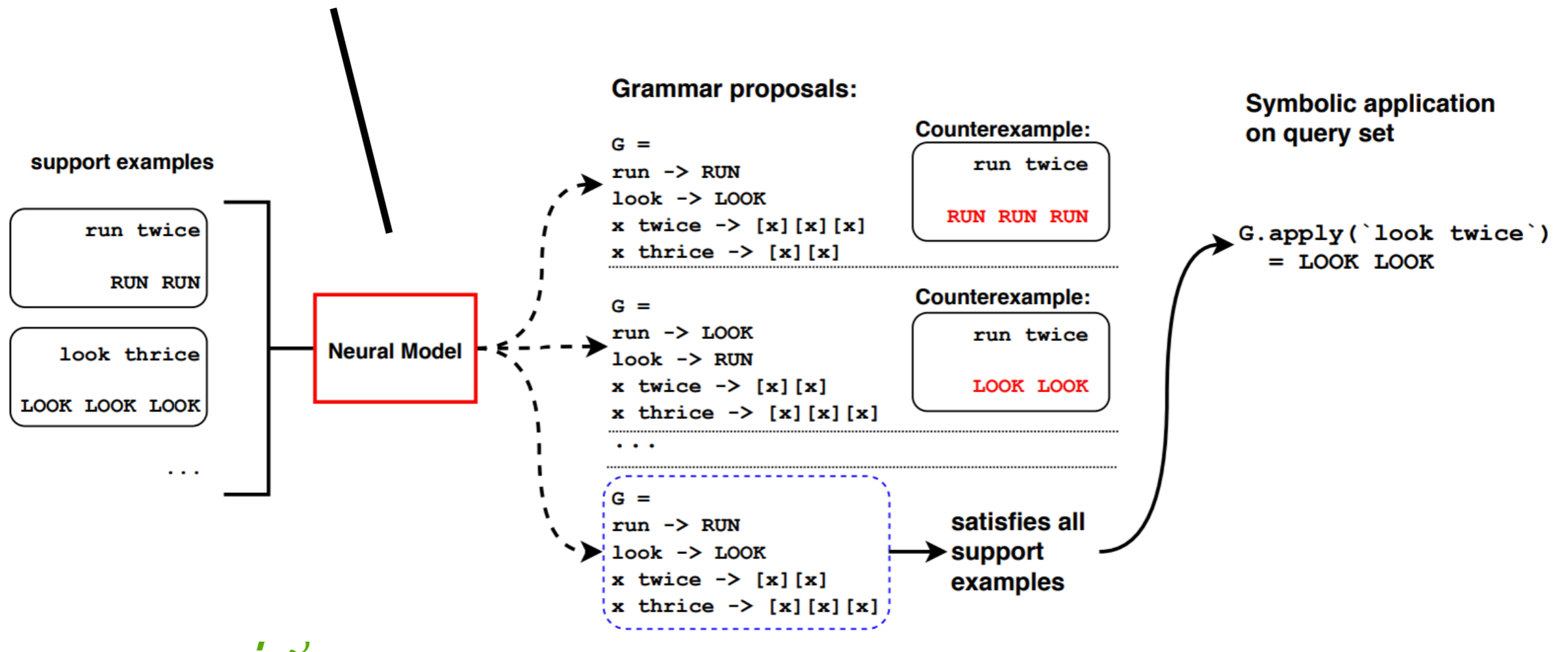
The Neural Network is trained to become a FACTOR (or a part of it)



Neural Generation

[Nye et al, 2020]

Neural model generates discrete structure



Program sketching

[Bosnjak et al, 2018; Manhaeve et al, 2018]

Provide partial code

Fill in the missing functionality with neural networks

Examples:

$[1,4,5] \mapsto [1,16,25]$

$[2,2,5,1] \mapsto [4,4,25,1]$

```
def target_function(input_array):  
    rarray = []
```

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    for element in input_array:  
        rarray.append(??(element))
```

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    return rarray
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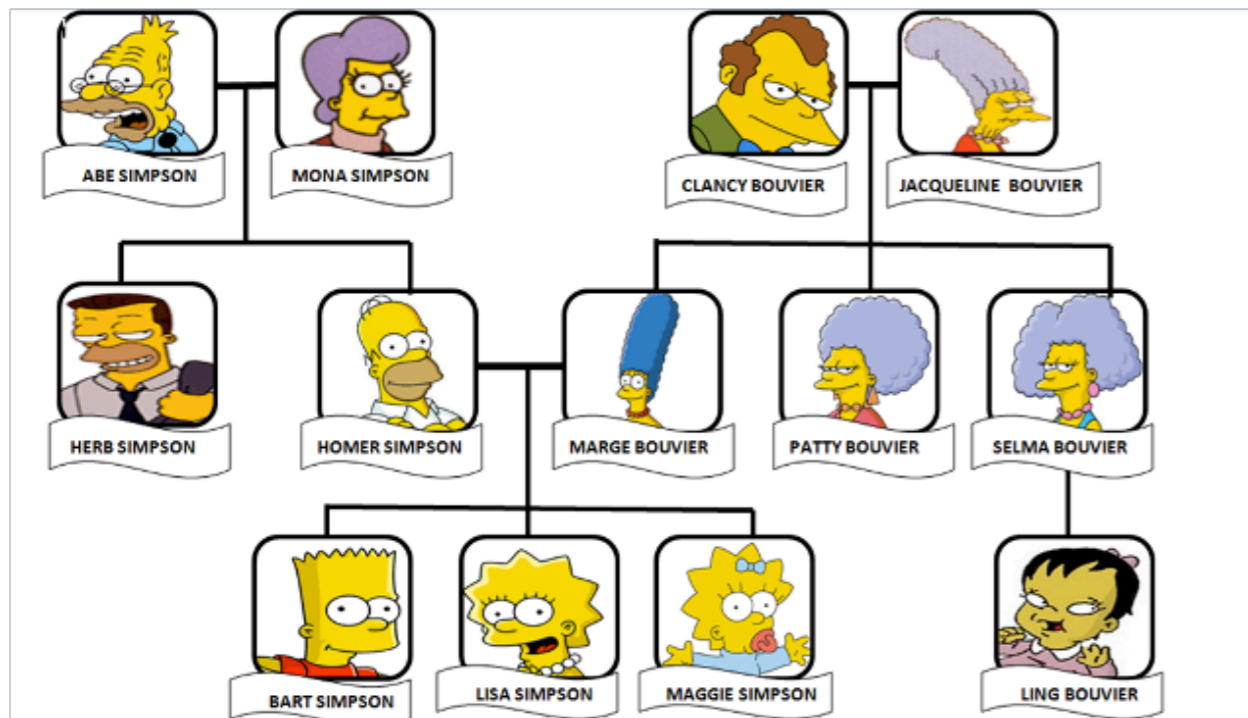
partial functionality
that needs to be learned



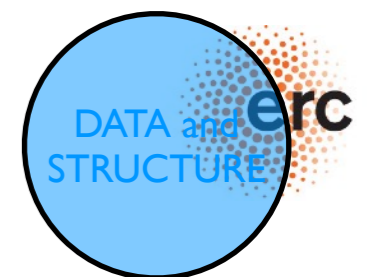
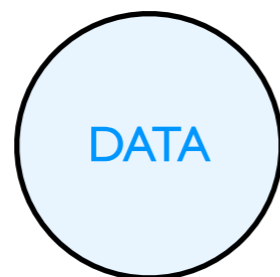
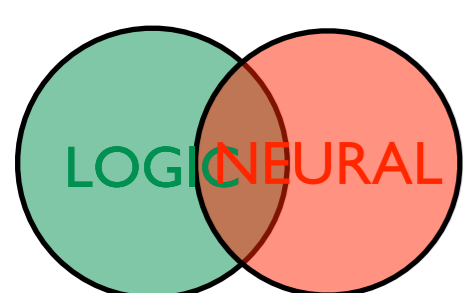
Structure learning via parameter learning

[Su et al, 2019]

Enumerate (lots of) logical formulas from templates
and learn their probabilities/weights



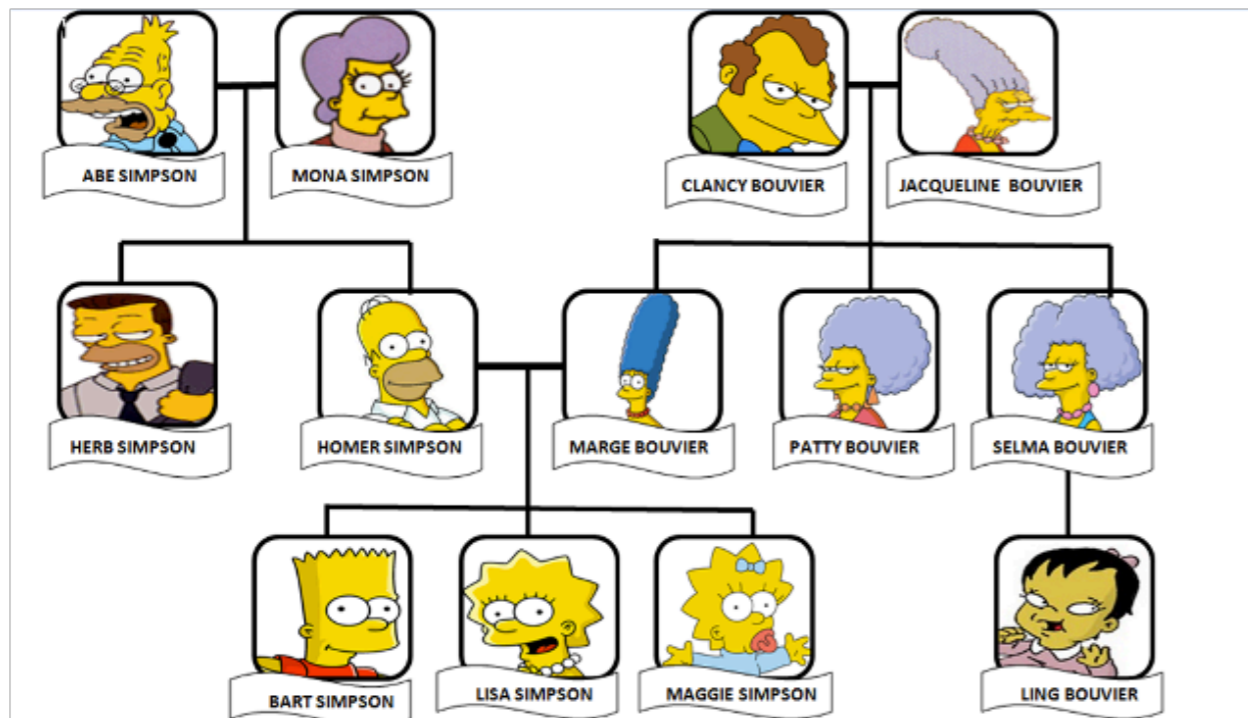
grandparent(abe,lisa).
grandparent(abe,bart).
grandparent(jacqueline,lisa).
grandparent(jacqueline,maggie.)



Program sketching

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Program templates

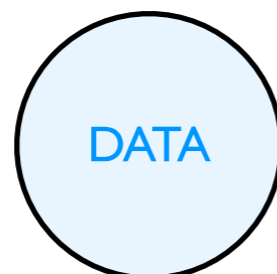
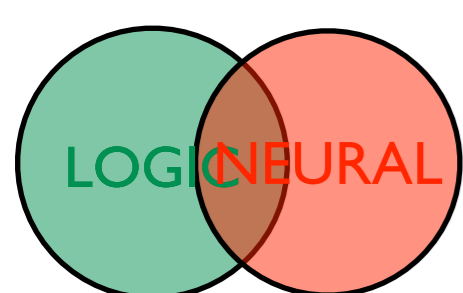
$T(X, Y) \leftarrow P(X, Y).$

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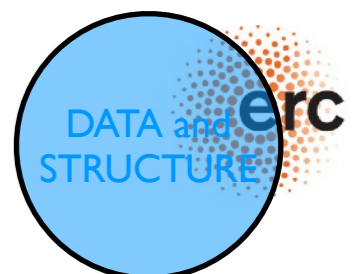
$T(X, Y) \leftarrow P(X, Z), Q(Z, Y).$

Target: grandparent

Other predicates: father, mother



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Program sketching

[Su et al, 2019]

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Program templates

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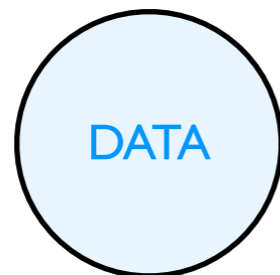
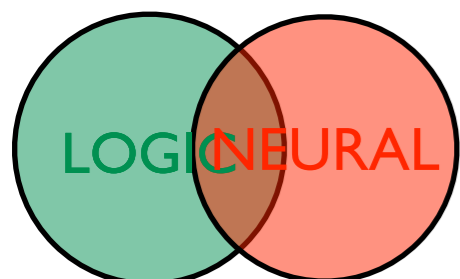
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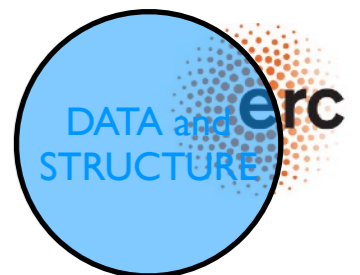
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Pros

Cons

Neural guidance

makes discrete search tractable

lots of training data

Soft patterns

efficient learning

no explicit structure

Neural generation

focused combinatorial search

lots of training data

Sketching

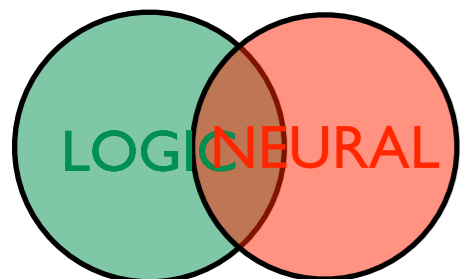
reduces combinatorial search

significant user effort

Structure via params

removes combinatorial search

spurious interactions



5. Learning

Key Messages

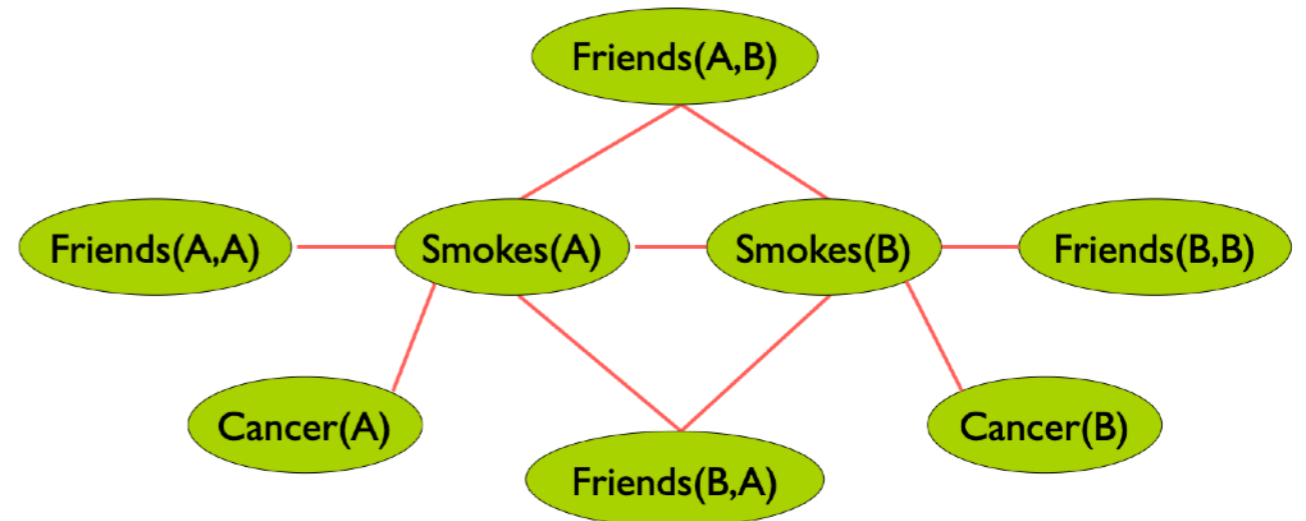
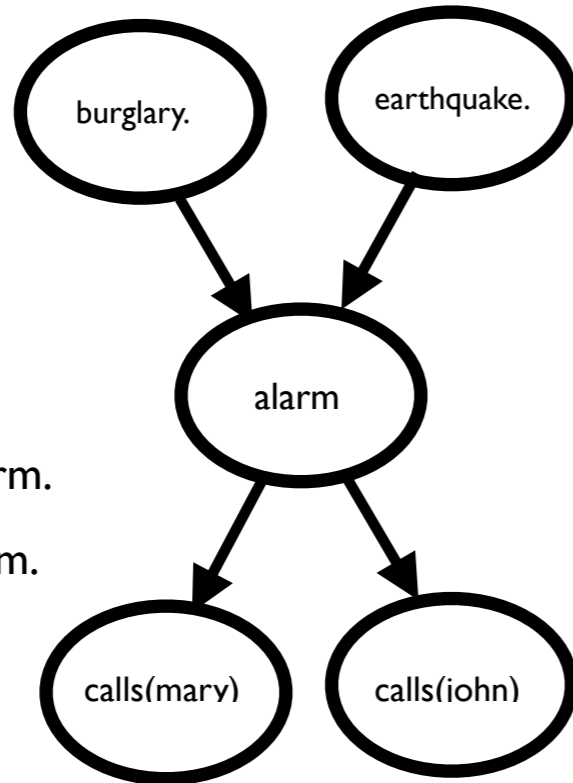
- Learning: finding logical formulas and estimating probabilities
- Structure learning: both formulas and probabilities
- Parameter learning: only probabilities
- Many flavours of learning in NeSy

The Seven Dimensions

1. Proof vs Model based
2. Directed vs Undirected
3. Type of Logic
4. Symbols vs Subsymbols
5. Parameter vs Structure Learning
6. Semantics
7. Logic vs Probability vs Neural

2. Directed vs Undirected the PGM / StarAI dimension

0.1 :: burglary.
 0.05 :: earthquake.
 alarm :- earthquake.
 alarm :- burglary.
 0.7::calls(mary) :- alarm.
 0.6::calls(john) :- alarm.



$$1.5 \quad \forall x \text{ Smokes}(x) \Rightarrow \text{Cancer}(x)$$

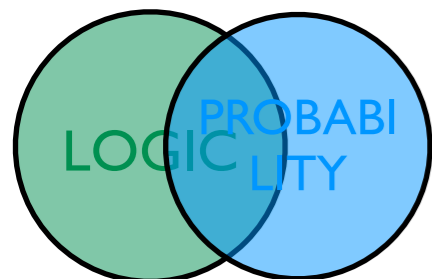
$$1.1 \quad \forall x, y \text{ Friends}(x, y) \Rightarrow (\text{Smokes}(x) \Leftrightarrow \text{Smokes}(y))$$

**Probabilistic Logic Programs
 ProbLog**

**directed
 Bayesian Net**

Markov Logic

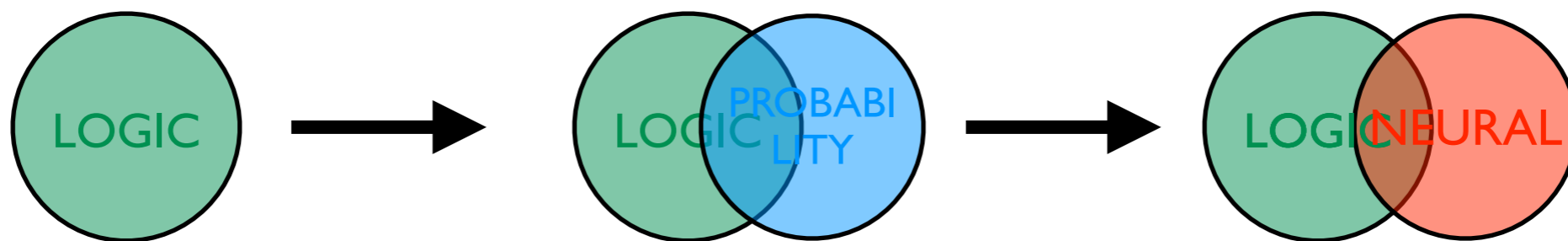
**undirected
 Markov Net
 model theoretic**



key representatives



6. Semantics



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Key Messages

- StarAI and NeSy share the same underlying semantics
- Semantics can be described in terms of parametric circuits
- Differentiable semantics/circuits allows an easy integration
- NeSy models can be seen as neural reparameterization of StarAI models

Semantics

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- An interpretation assigns a **denotation** or a **value** to each symbol in that language.

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“42(47)”

42 is the property “being human” (or human/1)

47 is a constant referring to a particular human “Socrates”

human(Socrates) = True



Semantics

- We are interested in answering the following family of questions:

*Given a **sentence** of a propositional (or propositionalized through grounding) language, what is its **value**?*

The nature of what **value** is differs in the different semantics.



Semantics

For simplicity,

- **labelling function** is the function ℓ_S that assigns, to the **sentence Q**, the value **v** according to **semantics S**.

$$\ell_S(Q) = v$$

e.g.

$$\ell_B(\textit{human}(\textit{socrates})) = \textit{True}$$

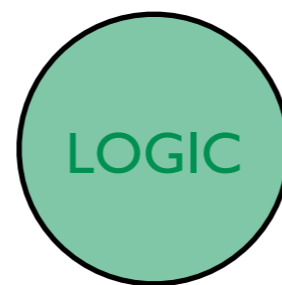
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6. Semantics

Boolean logic



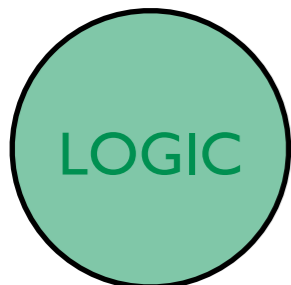
Semantics in Boolean Logic

- Defining a **semantics** for a propositional language L is about **assigning a truth value** to all the sentences of the logic
- Boolean truth values:

$\{True, False\}$

Three steps:

1. Truth values for propositions
2. Truth values for operators
3. Labelling formulas



Semantics in Boolean Logic

1. Providing the **labels** for propositions

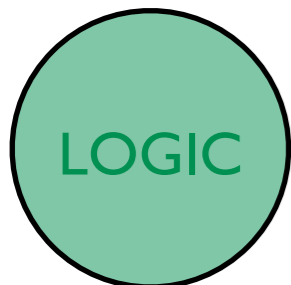
$L = \{burglary, earthquake, hears_alarm(john)\}$

$$\ell_B(burglary) = True$$

$$\ell_B(earthquake) = False$$

$$\ell_B(hears_alarm(john)) = True$$

*This is a **model** or a **possible world**, a “potential” assignment of truth values to all the propositional variables in the language.*



Semantics in Boolean Logic

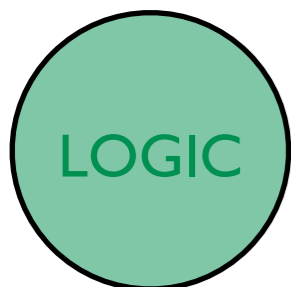
2. Providing the semantics for operators

p	q	$p \wedge q$
T	T	T
T	F	F
F	T	F
F	F	F

\mathcal{L}_B^\wedge

p	q	$p \rightarrow q$
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T	F	F
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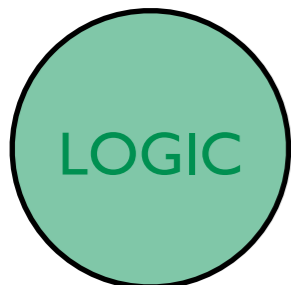


Semantics in Boolean Logic

3. The labels of **formulas** are defined **recursively** on the semantics of its components

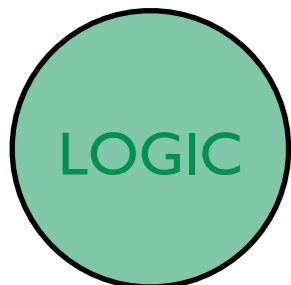
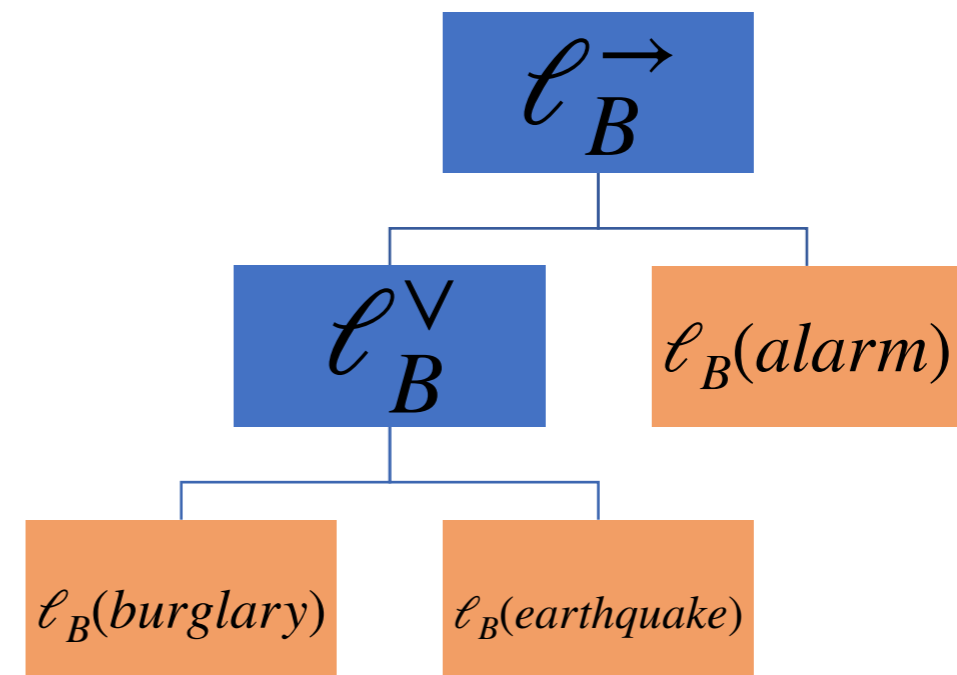
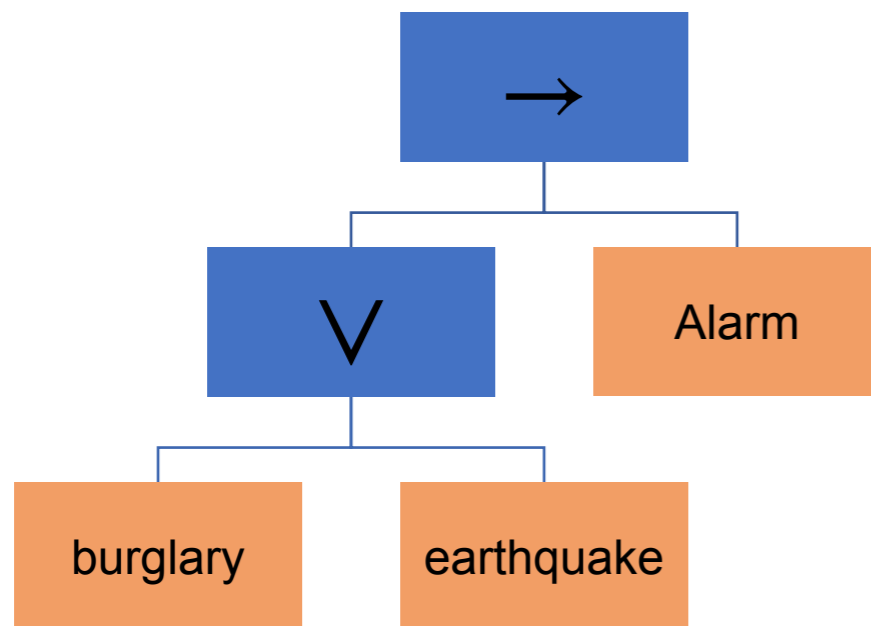
$$\ell_B(\text{earthquake} \wedge \text{burglary}) = \ell_B^\wedge(\ell_B(\text{earthquake}), \ell_B(\text{burglary}))$$

This recursive evaluation of formulas is said to be **extensional approach**.



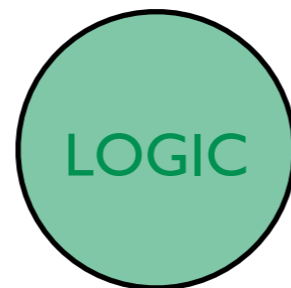
Semantics in Boolean Logic

- Consider: $(\text{burglary} \vee \text{earthquake}) \rightarrow \text{alarm}$

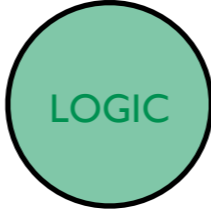


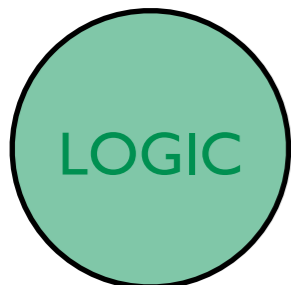
6. Semantics

Fuzzy logic



Semantics in Fuzzy Logic

- Still a pure **logic** semantics: 
- There are many fuzzy logics
- Here we are interested in a subclass, in particular *t-norm fuzzy logic*



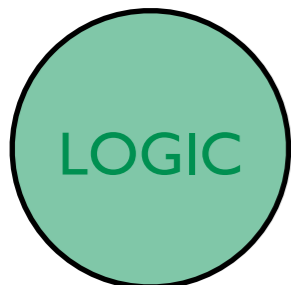
Semantics in Fuzzy Logic

- Defining a **semantics** for a propositional fuzzy language L is again about **assigning a membership degree** to all the sentences of the logic
- Fuzzy **truth/membership degrees**:

$$\ell_F: L \rightarrow [0,1]$$

Three steps:

1. Labels for propositions
2. Labels for operators
3. Labels for formulas



Semantics in Fuzzy Logic

1. Providing the **labels** for propositions

$L = \{burglary, earthquake, hears_alarm(john)\}$

$$\ell_F(burglary) = 0.9$$

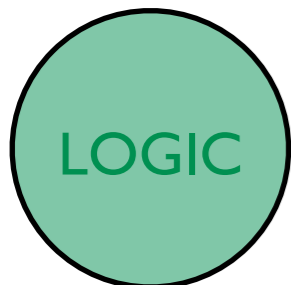
$$\ell_F(earthquake) = 0.1$$

$$\ell_F(hears_alarm(john)) = 0.8$$

Note: $\ell_F(earthquake) = 0.1$ -> very mild earthquake,

(\neq probability of earthquake = 0.1)

fuzzy is a measure of **intensity/vagueness** not of uncertainty



Semantics in Fuzzy Logic

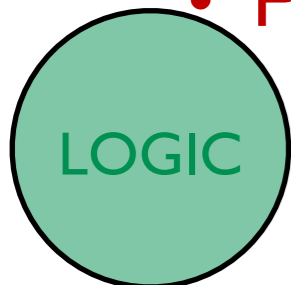
2. Providing the labels for operators: t-norm theory

- A **t-norm** is a binary function that extends the **conjunction** to the continuous case

$$t : [0,1] \times [0,1] \rightarrow [0,1]$$

- There are **3 fundamental t-norms**:
 - **Lukasiewicz t-norm**: $t_L(x, y) = \max(0, x + y - 1)$
 - **Goedel t-norm**: $t_G(x, y) = \min(x, y)$
 - **Product t-norm**: $t_P(x, y) = x \cdot y$

They are the continuous version of truth tables!!

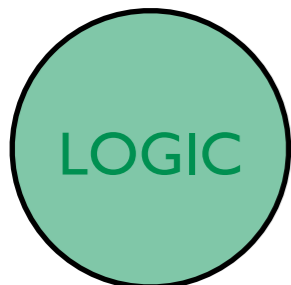


Semantics in Fuzzy Logic

- All the other operators can be derived from the t-norm (and its residuum)

	Product	Łukasiewicz	Gödel
$x \wedge y$	$x \cdot y$	$\max(0, x + y - 1)$	$\min(x, y)$
$x \vee y$	$x + y - x \cdot y$	$\min(1, x + y)$	$\max(x, y)$
$\neg x$	$1 - x$	$1 - x$	$1 - x$
$x \Rightarrow y$ ($x > y$)	y/x	$\min(1, 1 - x + y)$	y

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3. The labels of **formulas** is defined **recursively** on the semantics of its components

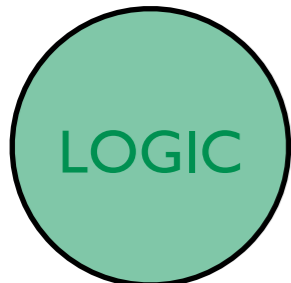
$$\ell_F(\textit{burglary} \rightarrow \textit{alarm}) = \ell_F^{\vec{}}(\ell_F(\textit{burglary}), \ell_F(\textit{alarm}))$$

This recursive evaluation of formulas is said to be **extensional approach**.

e.g.

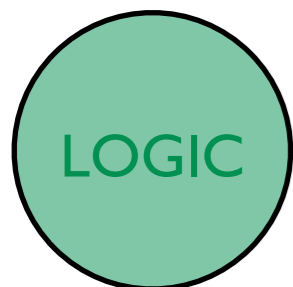
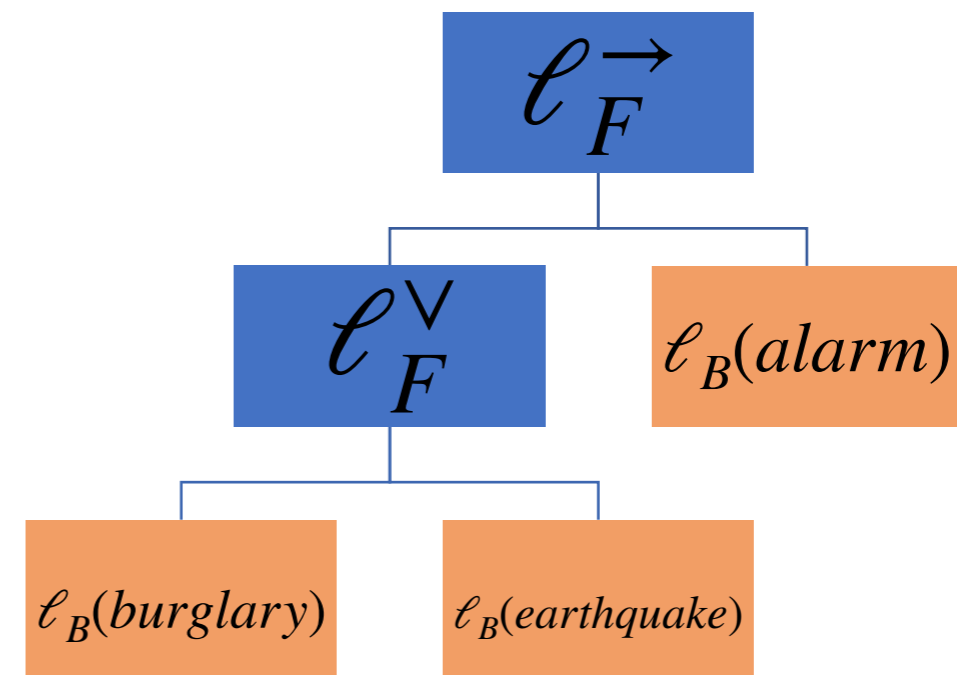
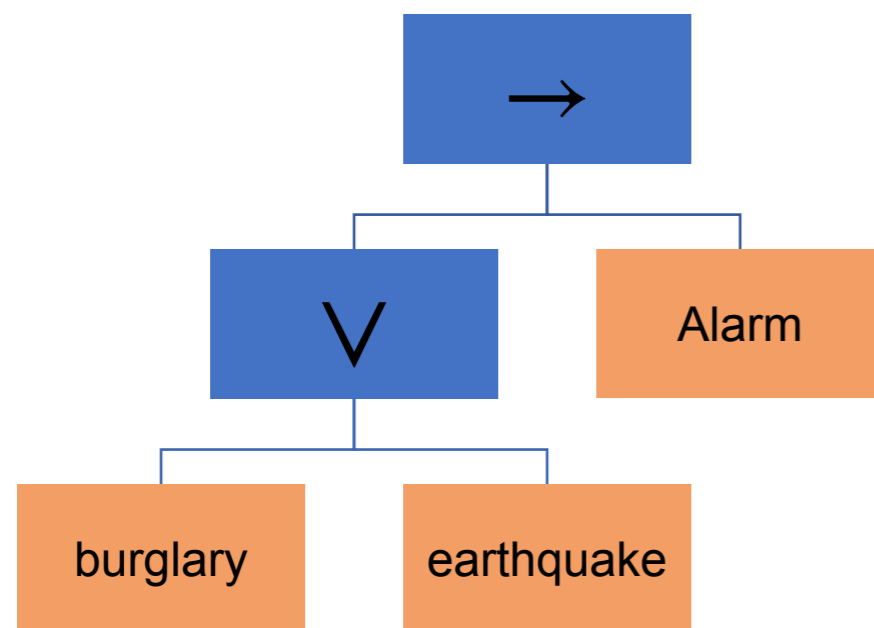
$$\ell_F(\textit{burglary}) = 0.9, \ell_F(\textit{alarm}) = 0.3,$$

$$\ell_F^{\vec{}} = \min(1, 1 - x + y) = \min(1, 1 - 0.9 + 0.3) = 0.4$$



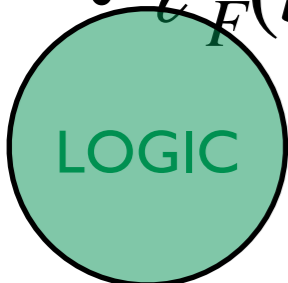
Semantics in Fuzzy Logic

- Consider: $(\text{burglary} \vee \text{earthquake}) \rightarrow \text{alarm}$



Fuzzy Logic Semantics

- Most common t-norms are:
 - **Continuous**
 - **Differentiable** -> This turns to be one of the reason of their adoption in NeSY
- Convex fragments of the logic can be defined (Giannini et al, 2019)
- But, $\ell_F(\text{human}(\text{Socrates})) = 0.5$??????
- $\ell_F(\text{bat}(\text{Socrates})) = 0.5$



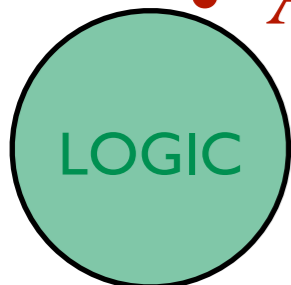
Fuzzy vs Boolean

- Fuzzy and Boolean have different properties
- When fuzzy is used as a “relaxation” (**fuzzification**) of Boolean **undesired effects** can happen.

- Suppose: $A \vee B \vee C \vee D \vee E = 1$

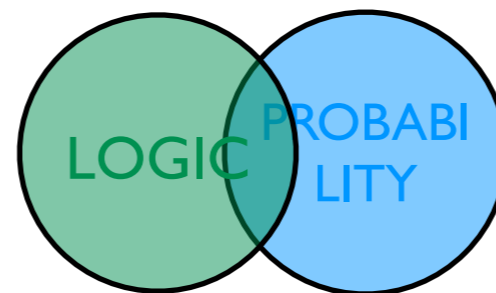
- Satisfying assignments (Lukasiewicz)

- $A = B = C = D = E = 1$ (all true)
- $A = 1, B = C = D = E = 0$ (at least one true)
- $A = B = C = D = E = 0.2$



Semantics

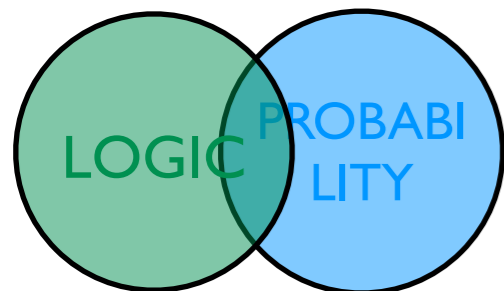
Probabilistic logic



Probabilistic Logic Semantics

Given a proposition language L , the basic idea is to introduce a **probability function** p :

$$p : L \rightarrow [0,1]$$



Probabilistic Logic Semantics

Two steps:

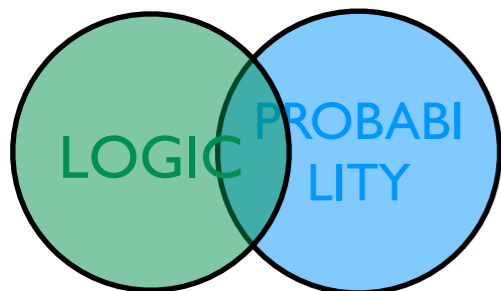
- Define a **probability distribution over interpretations / worlds (i.e. boolean semantics)**

$$p(\ell_B(x_1), \dots, \ell_B(x_n))$$

(E.g. $p(\ell_B(\text{burglary}) = \text{True}, \ell_B(\text{earthquake}) = \text{False}, \dots)$)

- Define a **the probability of sentence Q of L:**

$$p(Q) = \sum_{\ell_B(x_1), \dots, \ell_B(x_n) \models Q} p(\ell_B(x_1), \dots, \ell_B(x_n))$$



Probabilistic Logic Semantics Problog

0.1 :: burglary. (B)

0.05 :: earthquake. (E)

0.6 :: hears_alarm(john). (H)

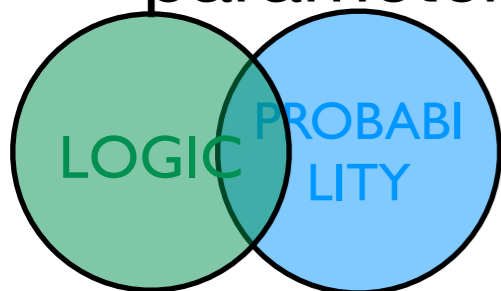
alarm :- earthquake.

alarm :- burglary.

calls(john) :- alarm, hears_alarm(john)

$$p(\ell_B(x_1), \dots, \ell_B(x_n)) = \prod_{i:\ell_B(x_i)=True} p(x_i) \prod_{i:\ell_B(x_i)=False} (1 - p(x_i))$$

parameters = the **labels for propositions** (i.e. probabilistic facts)



Probabilistic Logic Semantics

Problog

e.g. in Problog:

B	E	H	p(B,E,H)
F	F	F	0.342
F	F	T	0.513
F	T	F	0.018
F	T	T	0.027
T	F	F	0.038
T	F	T	0.057
T	T	F	0.002
T	T	T	0.003

0.1 :: burglary. (B)

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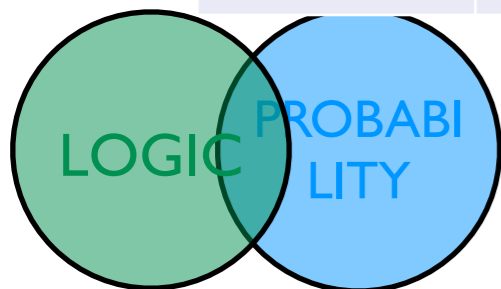
0.6 :: hears_alarm(john). (H)

alarm :- earthquake.

alarm :- burglary.

calls(john) :- alarm, hears_alarm(john)

$$0.1 \times 0.05 \times (1 - 0.6)$$



Probabilistic Logic Semantics

Markov Logic

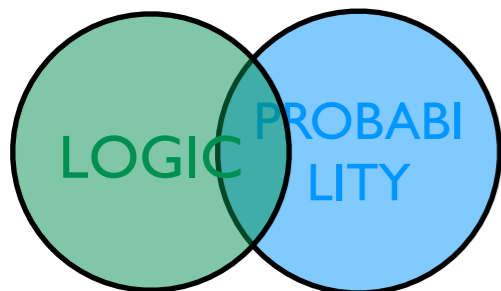
1.5 : calls(Mary) <- hears_alarm(Mary), alarm

2.0 : alarm <- earthquake

0.5 : alarm <- burglary

Weight formula 1 if α is True otherwise 0

$$p(\ell_B(x_1), \dots, \ell_B(x_n)) = \frac{1}{Z} \exp \left(\sum_{\alpha} w_{\alpha} \ell_B(\alpha) \right)$$



Probabilistic Logic Semantics

Markov Logic

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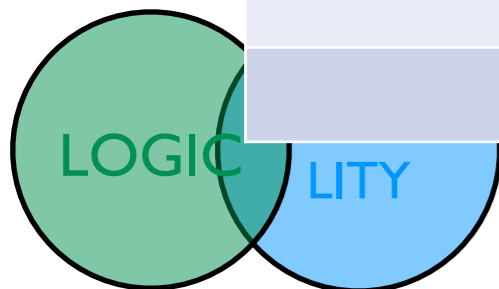
2.0 : `alarm <- earthquake`

0.5 : `alarm <- burglary`

B	E	A	H	C	p
T	F	T	T	T	0.05
T	F	T	T	F	0.01
...

$\propto \exp(1.5 + 2.0 + 0.5)$

$\propto \exp(0 + 2.0 + 0.5)$

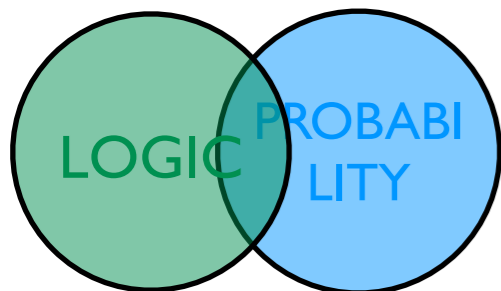


Probabilistic Logic Semantics

Given any **sentence** Q of the propositional language L , with variables x_1, \dots, x_n :

$$\ell_P(Q) = \sum_{\ell_B(x_1), \dots, \ell_B(x_n) \models Q} p(\ell_B(x_1), \dots, \ell_B(x_n))$$

WMC - Weighted Model Counting
(for both ProbLog and Markov Logic)



Probabilistic Logic Semantics

For example:

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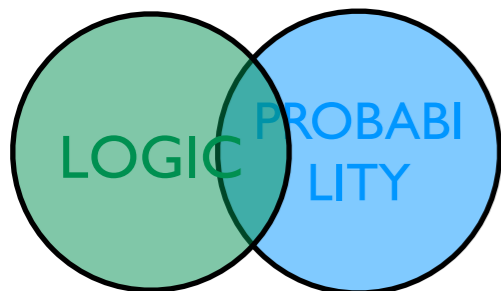
alarm :- burglary.

calls(john) :- alarm, hears_alarm(john)

Query = burglary ^ hears_alarm(john)

$$Q = B \wedge H$$

$$p(Q) = 0.06$$

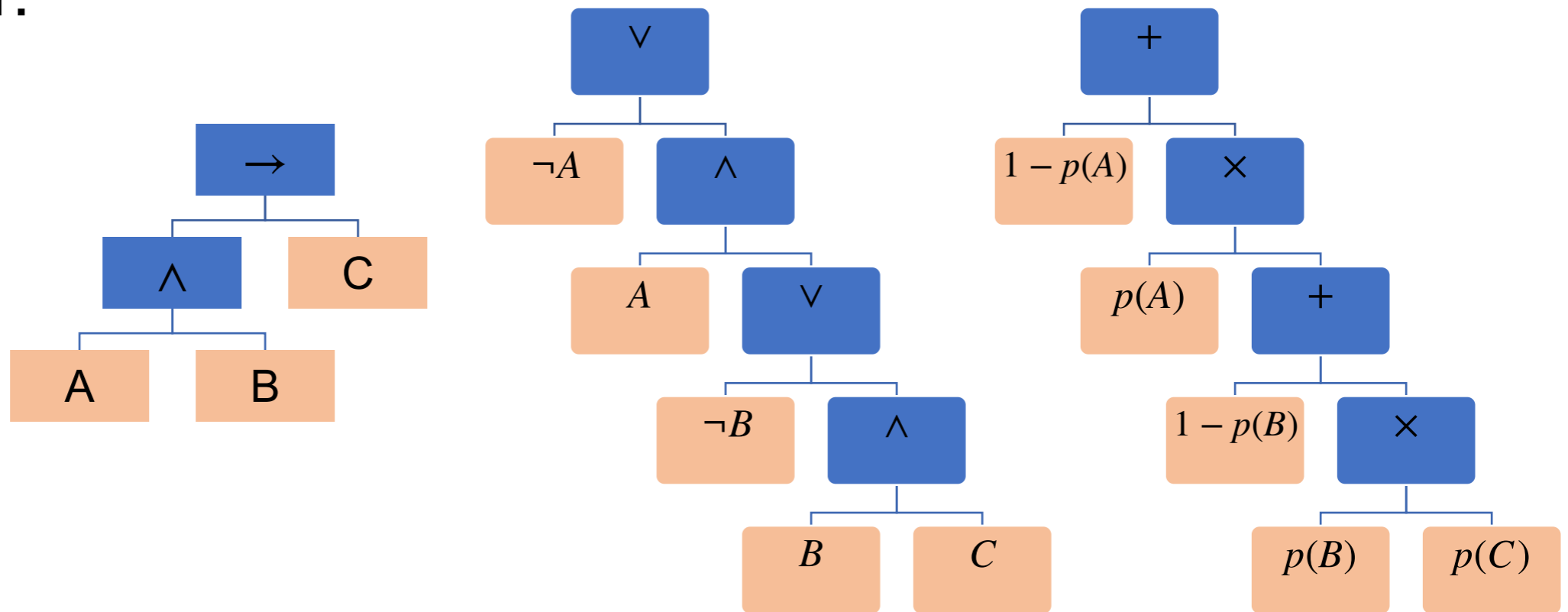


Probabilistic Logic Semantics

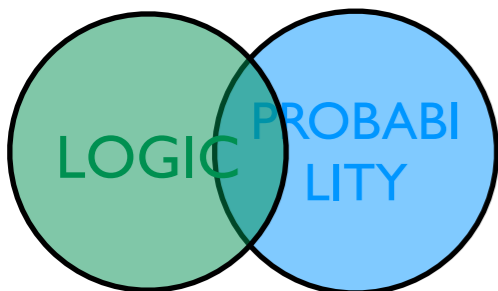
$$\ell_P(Q) = \sum_{\ell_B(x_1), \dots, \ell_B(x_n) \models Q} p(\ell_B(x_1), \dots, \ell_B(x_n))$$

- Consider:

$(A \wedge B) \rightarrow C$



Knowledge Compilation

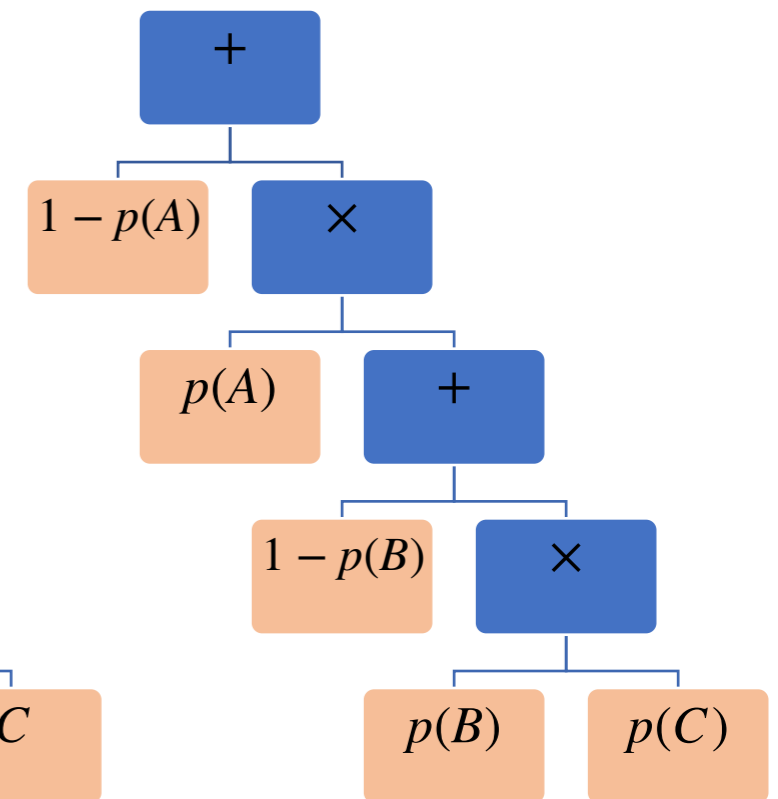
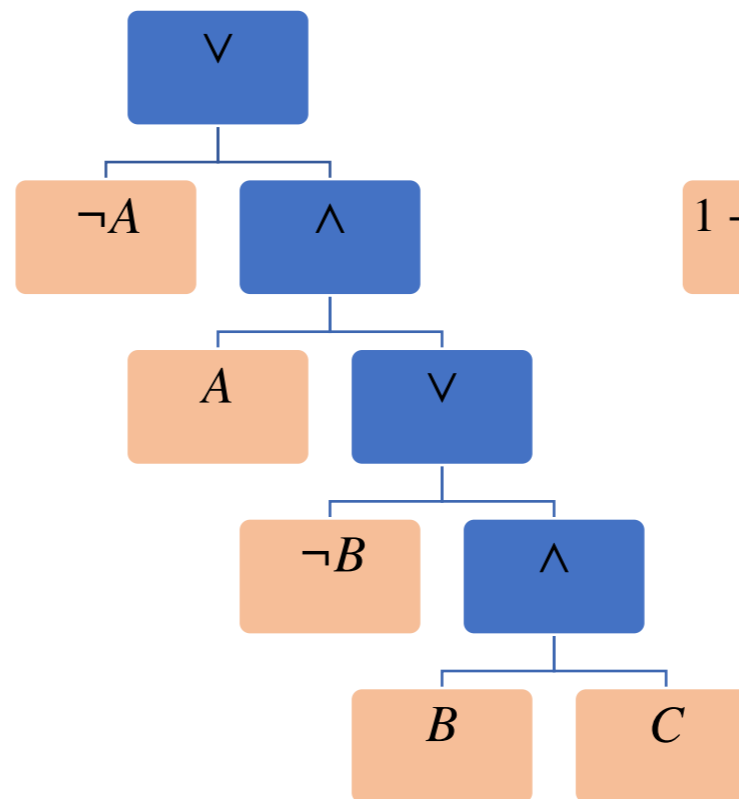
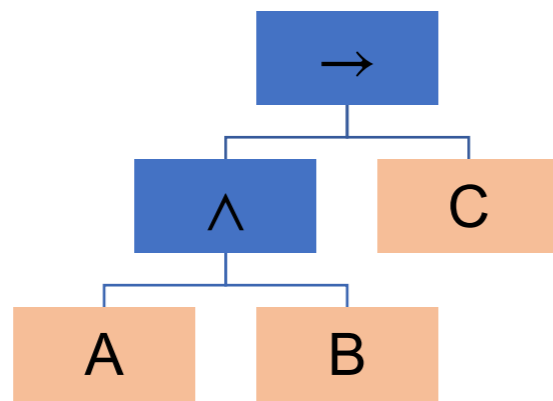


The probabilistic structure is now explicit in the compiled formula.

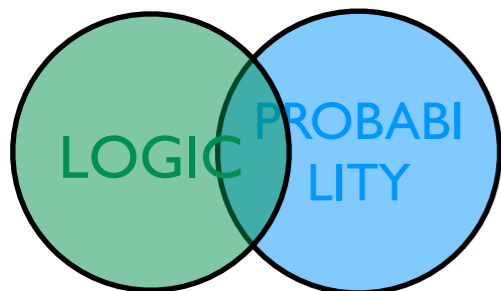
Probabilistic Logic Semantics

- Consider:

$$(A \wedge B) \rightarrow C$$



The circuit is differentiable!



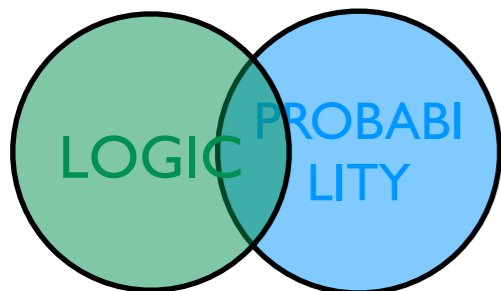
Probabilistic Logic Semantics

- WMC:

$$p(Q) = \sum_{\ell_B(x_1), \dots, \ell_B(x_n) \models Q} p(\ell_B(x_1), \dots, \ell_B(x_n))$$

- Another important inference task in MPE inference (connected to maxSAT)

$$\ell_B^\star(x_1), \dots, \ell_B^\star(x_n) = \max_{\ell_B(x_1), \dots, \ell_B(x_n) \models Q} p(\ell_B(x_1), \dots, \ell_B(x_n))$$



Boolean vs Fuzzy vs Probability

- Boolean and Fuzzy logic are two **alternative** logical semantics
- Probability is a semantics that is built on top of a logical one (i.e. “which is the **probability** of a given **truth assignments** / world?”)
- Can we have a probabilistic fuzzy logic as well?



Probabilistic Soft Logic (PSL)

Bach, Stephen H., et al. *JMLR* 2017

- Let's start by an example of a Markov Logic Network:

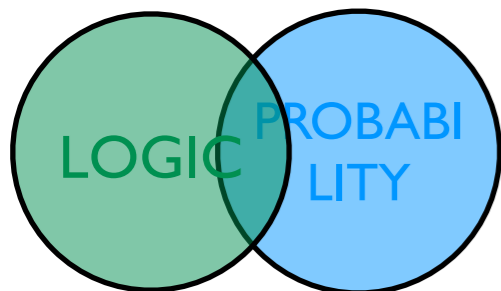
$$p(\ell_B(x_1), \dots, \ell_B(x_n)) = \frac{1}{Z} \exp\left(\sum_{\alpha} w_{\alpha} \ell_B(\alpha)\right)$$

- In PSL, we relax the **Boolean semantics** ℓ_B to a **fuzzy semantics** ℓ_F

$$p(\ell_F(x_1), \dots, \ell_F(x_n)) = \frac{1}{Z} \exp\left(\sum_{\alpha} \boxed{w_{\alpha}} \boxed{\ell_F(\alpha)}\right)$$

Weight formula

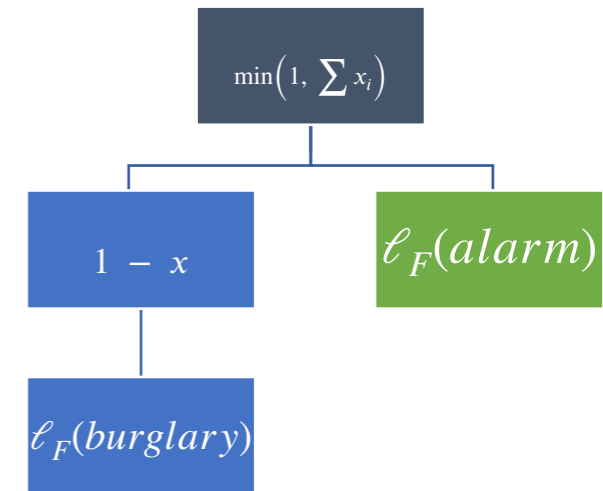
Each formula contributes with a value in $[0, 1]$



Probabilistic Soft Logic (PSL)

$\alpha : burglary \rightarrow alarm$

$$\ell_F(\alpha) = \min(1, 1 - \ell_F(burglary) + \ell_F(alarm))$$

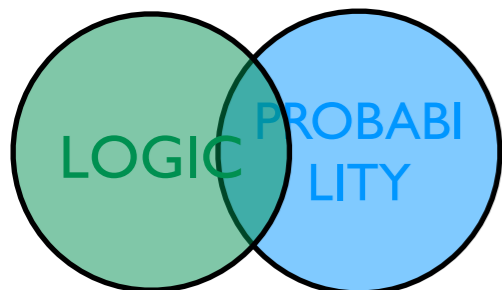


This is soft SAT
using fuzzy logic

MPE:

$$\max_{\ell_F(burglary), \ell_F(alarm)} w_\alpha \ell_F(\alpha)$$

$$\ell_F(burglary) = \ell_F(burglary) + \lambda \frac{\partial w_\alpha \ell_F(\alpha)}{\partial \ell_F(burglary)}$$



Probabilistic vs Fuzzy

- Fuzzy is an alternative logical semantics and it can still be coupled with the probabilistic ones
- Fuzzy logic is **sometimes** used as an approximation of MPE in probabilistic logic
- Fuzzy logic is **sometimes** used to solve **satisfiability** faster
 - **However**, it does not guarantee solutions coherent with the Boolean logic theory.
 - (Remember $A = B = C = D = E = 0.2$)



Logic as constraints

Propositional logic

$\text{calls}(\text{mary}) \leftarrow \text{hears_alarm}(\text{mary}) \wedge \text{alarm}$

$\text{calls}(\text{john}) \leftarrow \text{hears_alarm}(\text{john}) \wedge \text{alarm}$

$\text{alarm} \leftarrow \text{earthquake} \vee \text{burglary}$

Model / Possible World

0.1 { burglary,

0.4 hears_alarm(john),

... alarm,

... calls(john)}

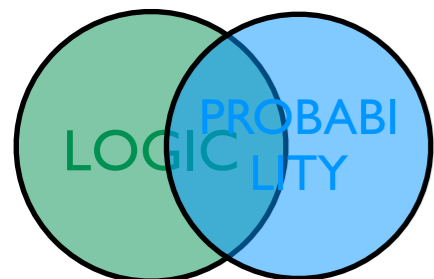
probability of world $\sim 0.1 \times 0.4 \times \dots$

SEMANTIC LOSS =

probability that a random possible world satisfies the formula

using weighted model counting (WMC)

weights/probabilities are on the literals



Logic as soft constraints

Markov Logic

Propositional logic

Model / Possible World

10 : f1 \leftrightarrow calls(mary) \leftarrow hears_alarm(mary) \wedge alarm

e^{10} { f1,

e^{20} f2,

20 : f2 \leftrightarrow calls(john) \leftarrow hears_alarm(john) \wedge alarm

e^{30} f3,

30 : f3 \leftrightarrow alarm \leftarrow earthquake \vee burglary

burglary, hears_alarm(john),
alarm, calls(john),}

probability of world $\sim e^{10} \times e^{20} \times e^{30}$

using weighted model counting (WMC)

weights/probabilities are on the formulae (soft constraints)

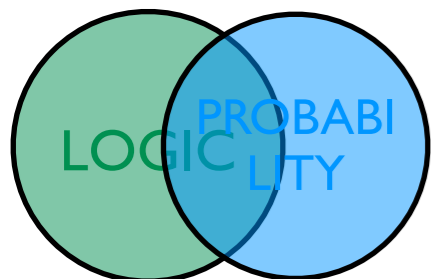
the higher the weight , the harder or more logical the constraint

$$w(f1) = e^{10} \quad w(\text{not } f1) = e^0 = 1$$

$$w(f2) = e^{20} \quad w(\text{not } f2) = e^0 = 1$$

$$w(f3) = e^{30} \quad w(\text{not } f3) = e^0 = 1$$

(need to normalise to get probability distribution)



Logic as soft constraints

Probabilistic Soft Logic [Bach & Getoor]

Propositional logic

Model / Possible World

10 : $\text{calls}(\text{mary}) \leftarrow \text{hears_alarm}(\text{mary}) \wedge \text{alarm}$

{0.7 burglary,

20 : $\text{calls}(\text{john}) \leftarrow \text{hears_alarm}(\text{john}) \wedge \text{alarm}$

0.8 hears_alarm(john),

0.5 alarm,

30 : $\text{alarm} \leftarrow \text{earthquake} \vee \text{burglary}$

0.3 calls(john),}

atoms are no longer true or false in worlds
but true or false to a certain degree

logic : a constraint is satisfied (1) or not (0) by a world

fuzzy logic : the distance to satisfaction

the higher the distance, the less likely the world

Lukasiewicz T-norm

For 0 and 1 we get boolean logic

$$A \vee B = \min(1, A + B)$$

$$A \wedge B = \min(1, A + B - 1)$$

$$A \leftarrow B = \min(1, 1 + A - B) \text{ (residuum)}$$

evaluates to 1 when rule is satisfied

when $B \leq A$

$\text{calls}(\text{john}) \leftarrow \text{hears_alarm}(\text{john}) \wedge \text{alarm}$

≥ 0.5

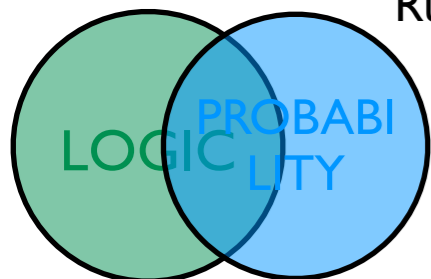
0.7

0.8

$$A \wedge B = \min(1, 1.5 - 1) = 0.5$$

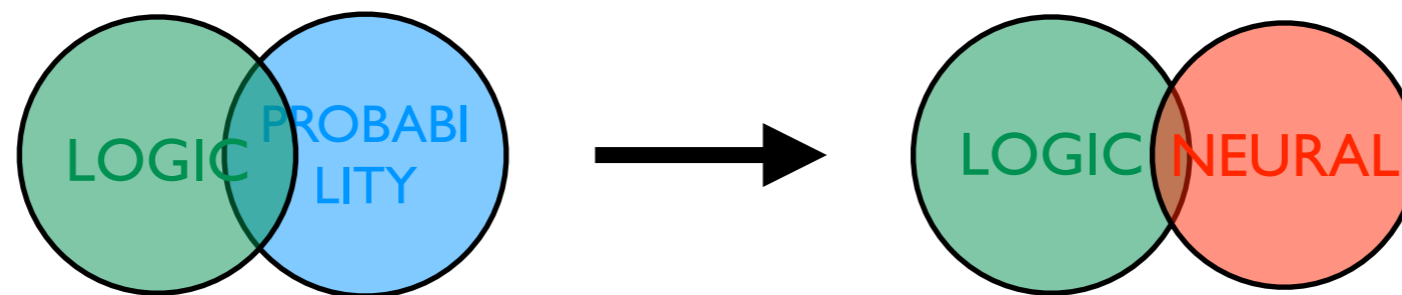
Rule evaluates to $\min(1, 1 - 0.5 + 0.3) = 0.8$ when $\text{calls}(\text{john}) = 0.3$

$$w = e^{-20 \times (1 - 0.8)}$$



6. Semantics

Neural Symbolic



Neural Symbolic

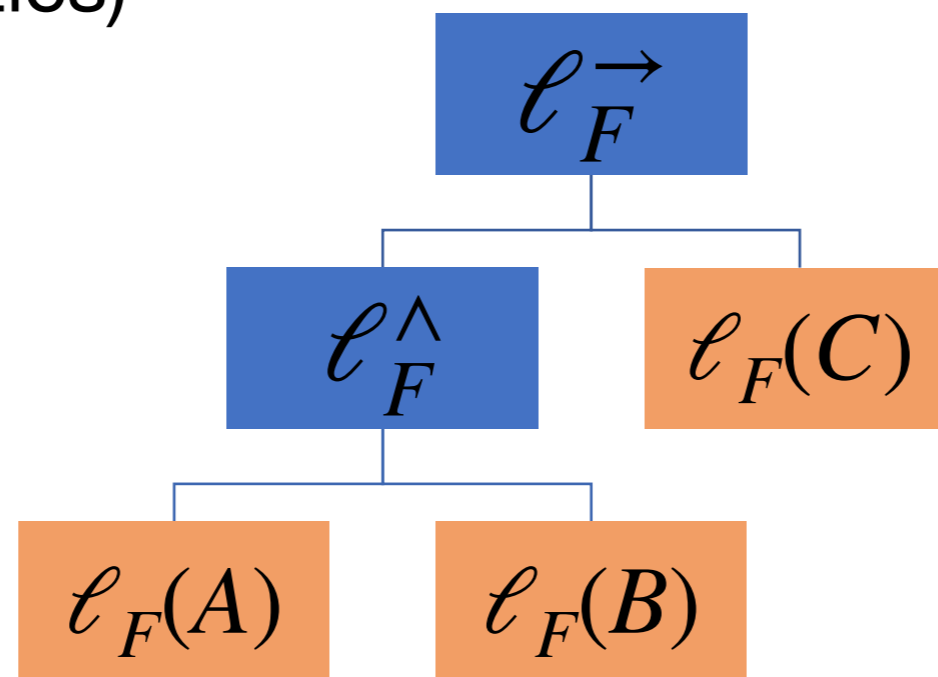
How to carry over concepts from the semantics of StarAI to neural symbolic?

$\ell(Q)$

Labelling functions
(semantics)

= Parametric circuit

$\ell_F((A \wedge B) \rightarrow C)$



The query Q determine the **structure** (potentially after knowledge compilation)



Neural Symbolic

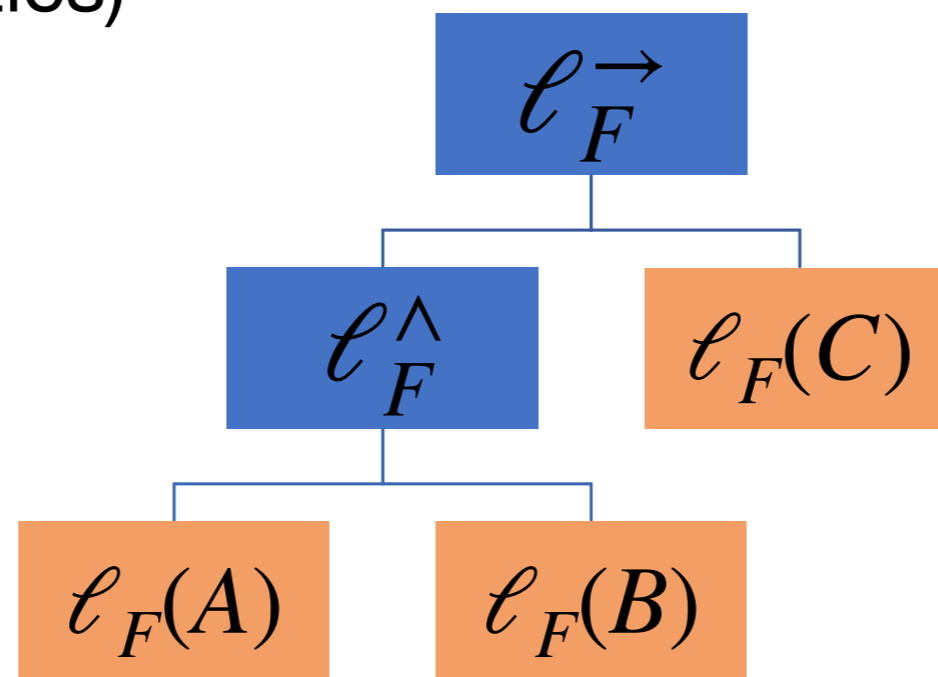
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Labelling functions
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$$\ell_F((A \wedge B) \rightarrow C)$$



The leaves
represent the
scalar parameters



Neural Symbolic

How to carry over concepts from the semantics of StarAI to neural symbolic?

- Atomic labels are just **scalar tables of parameters**



0.1 :: burglary. (B)
0.05 :: earthquake. (E)
0.6 :: hears_alarm(john). (H)
alarm :- earthquake.
alarm :- burglary.

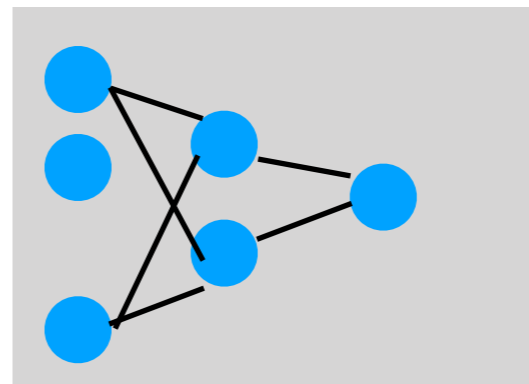
L	p
Burglary	0.1
Earthquake	0.05
...	

Neural Symbolic

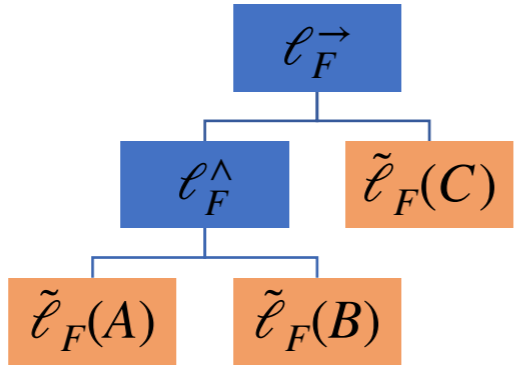
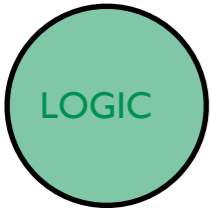
How to carry over concepts from the semantics of StarAI to neural symbolic?

- What if atomic labels are just **neural networks**?

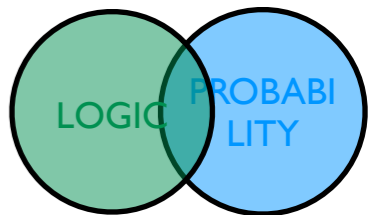
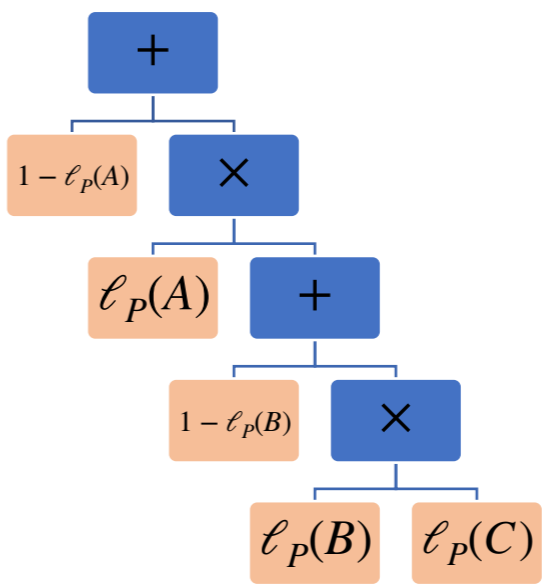
? :: burglary()
? :: earthquake. ()
? :: hears_alarm(john).
alarm :- earthquake.
alarm :- burglary.



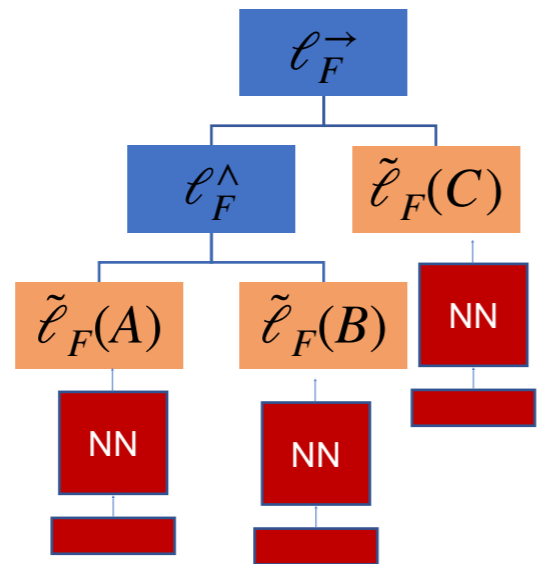
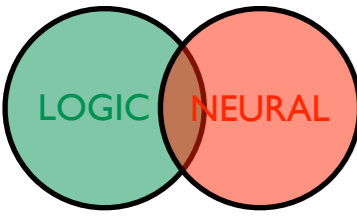
StarAI to Neural Symbolic



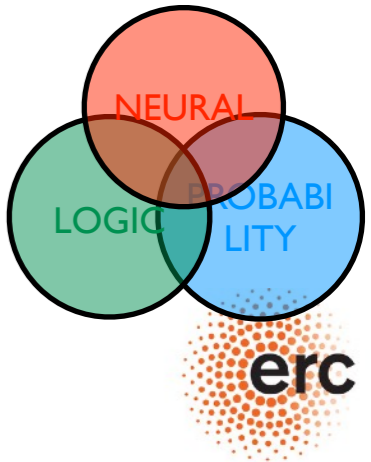
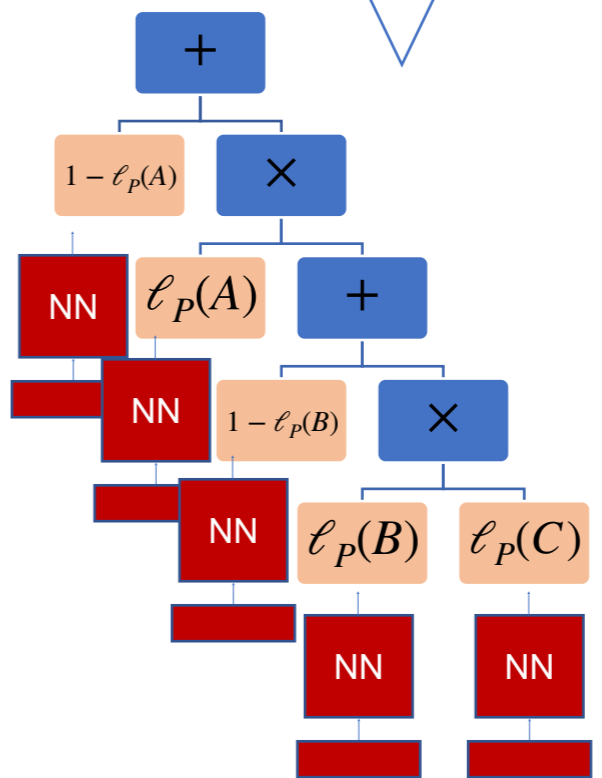
StarAI



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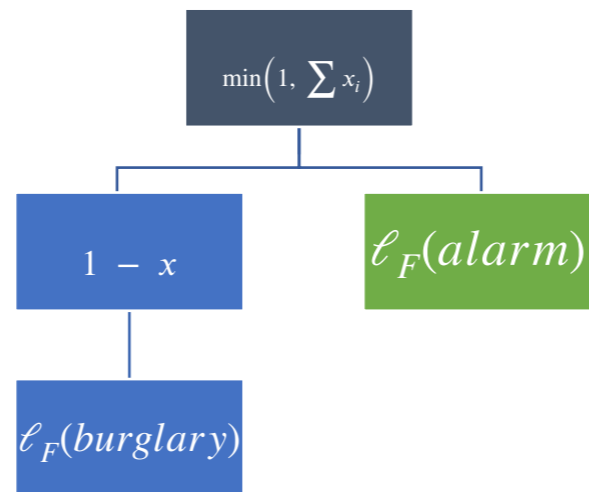


NeSy



Fuzzy Reparameterization

$\alpha : burglary \rightarrow alarm$

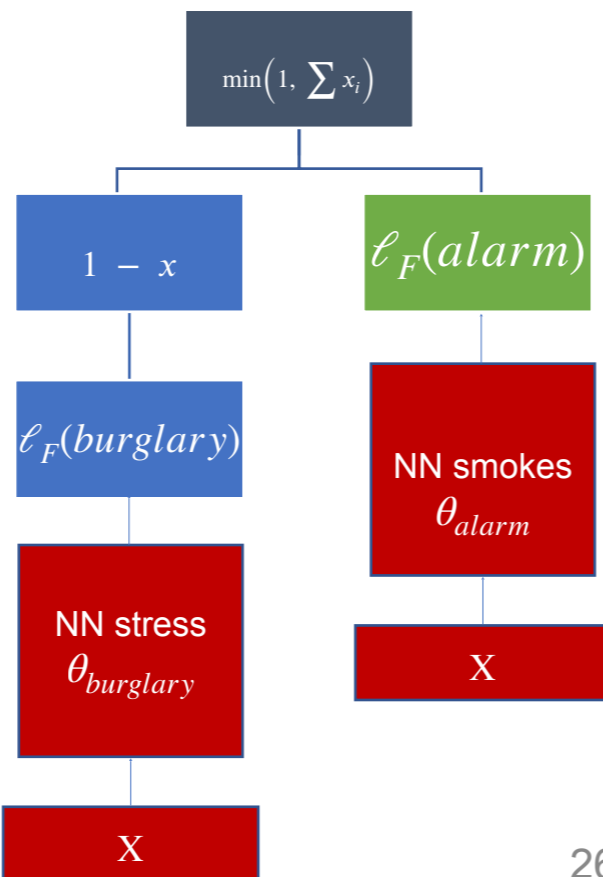


StarAI (PSL)

$$\max_{\ell_F(stress(X)), \ell_F(smokes(X))} w_\alpha \ell_F(\alpha)$$

Semantic Based Regularization (Diligenti et al, AI 2017)

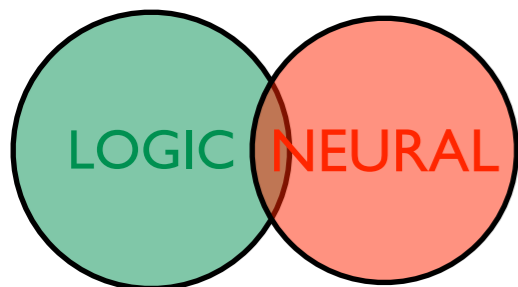
Logic Tensor Network (Donadello et al, IJCAI 2017)



NeSy (SBR, LTN)

$$\max_{\theta_{burglary}, \theta_{alarm}} w_\alpha \ell_F(\alpha)$$

Parameters of the neural nets



Probabilistic Reparameterization

■ Probabilistic parameters

- ProbLog:

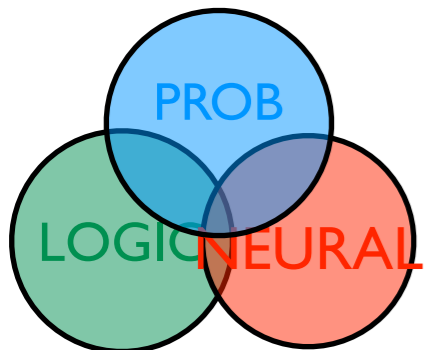
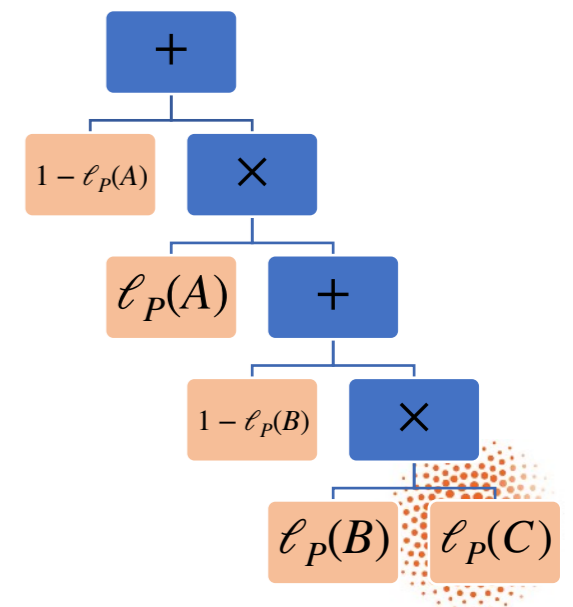
$$p(\ell_B(x_1), \dots, \ell_B(x_n)) = \prod_{i:\ell_B(x_i)=True} p(x_i) \prod_{i:\ell_B(x_i)=False} (1-p(x_i))$$

- Markov Logic:

$$p(\ell_B(x_1), \dots, \ell_B(x_n)) = \frac{1}{Z} \exp\left(\sum_{\alpha} w_{\alpha} \ell_B(\alpha)\right)$$

WMC

$$p(Q) = \sum_{\ell_B(x_1), \dots, \ell_B(x_n) \models Q} p(\ell_B(x_1), \dots, \ell_B(x_n))$$



Probabilistic Reparameterization

■ Neural parameters

- **DeepProbLog** (Manhaeve et al, NeurIPS (2018))

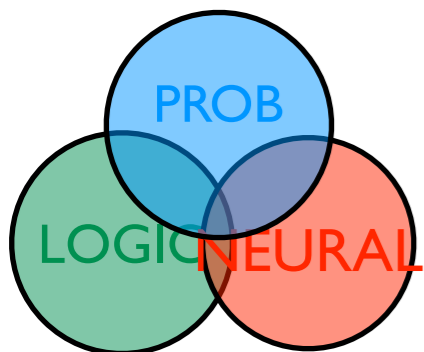
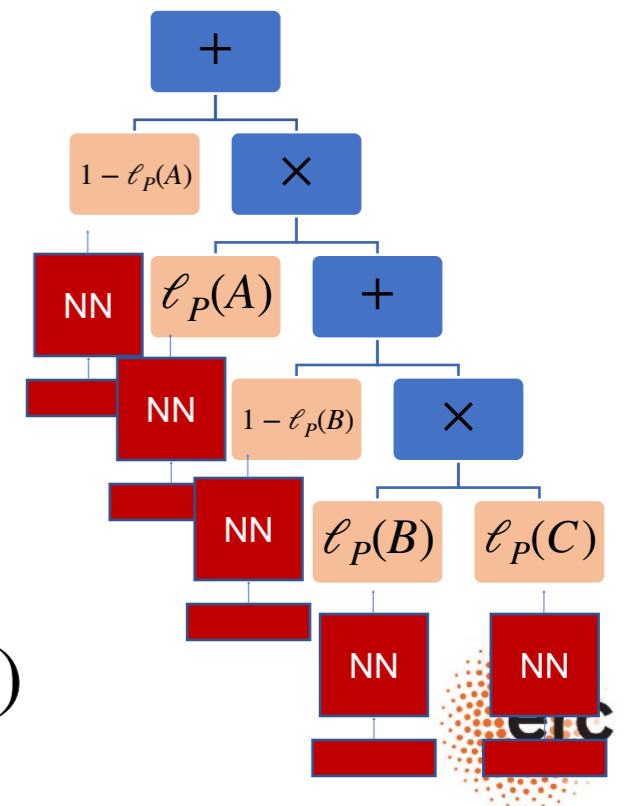
$$p(\ell_B(x_1), \dots, \ell_B(x_n)) = \prod_{i:\ell_B(x_i)=True} p(x_i) \prod_{i:\ell_B(x_i)=False} (1-p(x_i))$$

- **Relational Neural Machines** (Marra et al, ECAI 2020)

$$p(\ell_B(x_1), \dots, \ell_B(x_n)) = \frac{1}{Z} \exp\left(\sum_{\alpha} w_{\alpha} \ell_B(\alpha)\right)$$

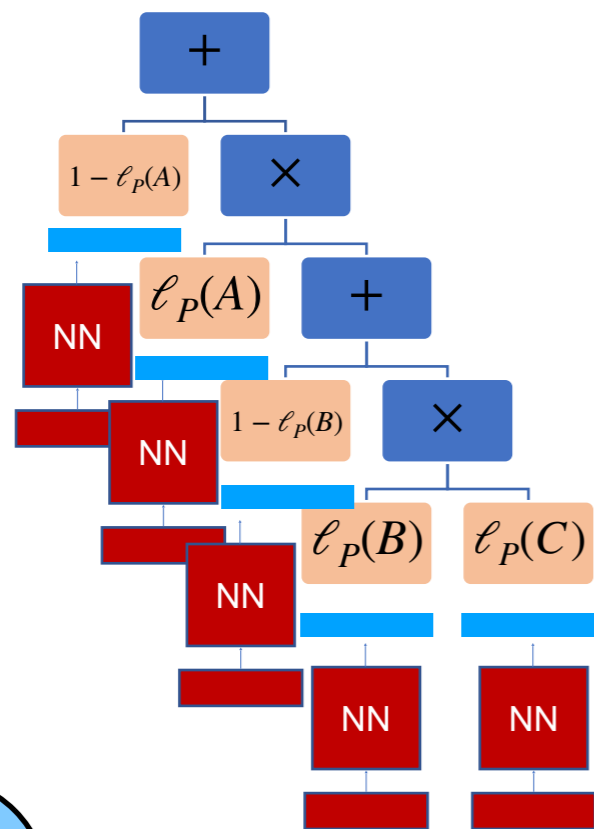
WMC

$$p(Q) = \sum_{\ell_B(x_1), \dots, \ell_B(x_n) \models Q}$$



Probabilistic Reparameterization

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Interface

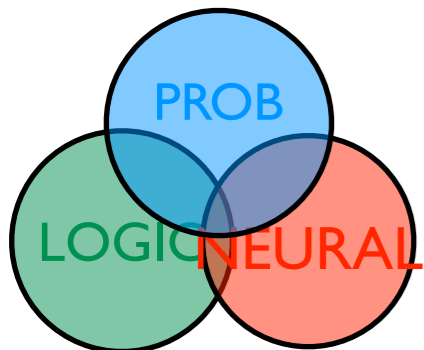
Probabilistic fact

0.01 :: burglary.



Neural Predicate

nn(mnist_net, [X], Y, [0 ... 9]) :: digit(X,Y).



6. Semantics

Key Messages

- StarAI and NeSy share the same underlying semantics
- Semantics can be described in terms of parametric circuits
- Differentiable semantics/circuits allow an easy integration
- NeSy models can be seen as neural reparameterization of StarAI models

**Inference
from SAT to WMC**

From SAT to #SAT and WMC

- SAT : does there exist a model for a logical theory ?
- #SAT : how many models are there ? (model counting)
- WMC : what is the *weighted* model count ?

From SAT to #SAT and WMC

- For the previous theory, there were 6 models.
- In the Bayesian network, each possible world had a probability of $1/8$ and each literal of 0.5 (weight of 0.5). We can now define the weighted model counting problem (WMC).
 - Given is a logical theory T (usually in CNF),
 - for each literal l , there is a (non-negative) weight $w(l)$.

The weighted model count of the theory $wmc(T)$ is then :

- $wmc(T) = \sum_{M \models T} w(M)$
(where M is model for T , M is the set of all true literals)
- $w(M) = \prod_{l \in M} w(l)$
- There is a close correspondence between Bayesian network inference and weighted model counting.

WMC Example

$$(\neg A \vee B) \wedge (\neg B \vee C) \wedge (A \vee C).$$

$$w(A) = w(\neg A) = w(B) = w(\neg B) = w(C) = w(\neg C) = 0.5$$

A	B	C	model ?	weight	count = model x weight
0	0	0	0	0.5^3	0
0	0	1	1	0.5^3	0.5^3
0	1	0	1	0.5^3	0.5^3
0	1	1	1	0.5^3	0.5^3
1	0	0	1	0.5^3	0.5^3
1	0	1	1	0.5^3	0.5^3
1	1	0	1	0.5^3	0.5^3
1	1	1	0	0.5^3	0

weight model count *wmc*: sum of counts 6×0.5^3

Probabilistic Logic Semantics

Problog

e.g. in Problog:

B	E	H	p(B,E,H)
F	F	F	0.342
F	F	T	0.513
F	T	F	0.018
F	T	T	0.027
T	F	F	0.038
T	F	T	0.057
T	T	F	0.002
T	T	T	0.003

0.1 :: burglary. (B)

0.05 :: earthquake. (E)

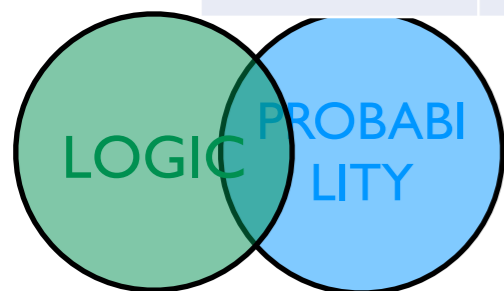
0.6 :: hears_alarm(john). (H)

alarm :- earthquake.

alarm :- burglary.

calls(john) :- alarm, hears_alarm(john)

$$0.1 \times 0.05 \times (1 - 0.6)$$



Weighted

$$P(Q) = \sum_{F \cup R \models Q} \prod_{f \in F} p(f) \prod_{f \notin F} 1 - p(f)$$

propositional formula in conjunctive normal form (CNF)

given by ProbLog program & query

$$WMC(\phi) = \sum_{I_V \models \phi} \prod_{l \in I_V} w(l)$$

interpretations (truth value assignments) of propositional variables

possible worlds

weight of literal

for $p::f$,

$w(f) = p$

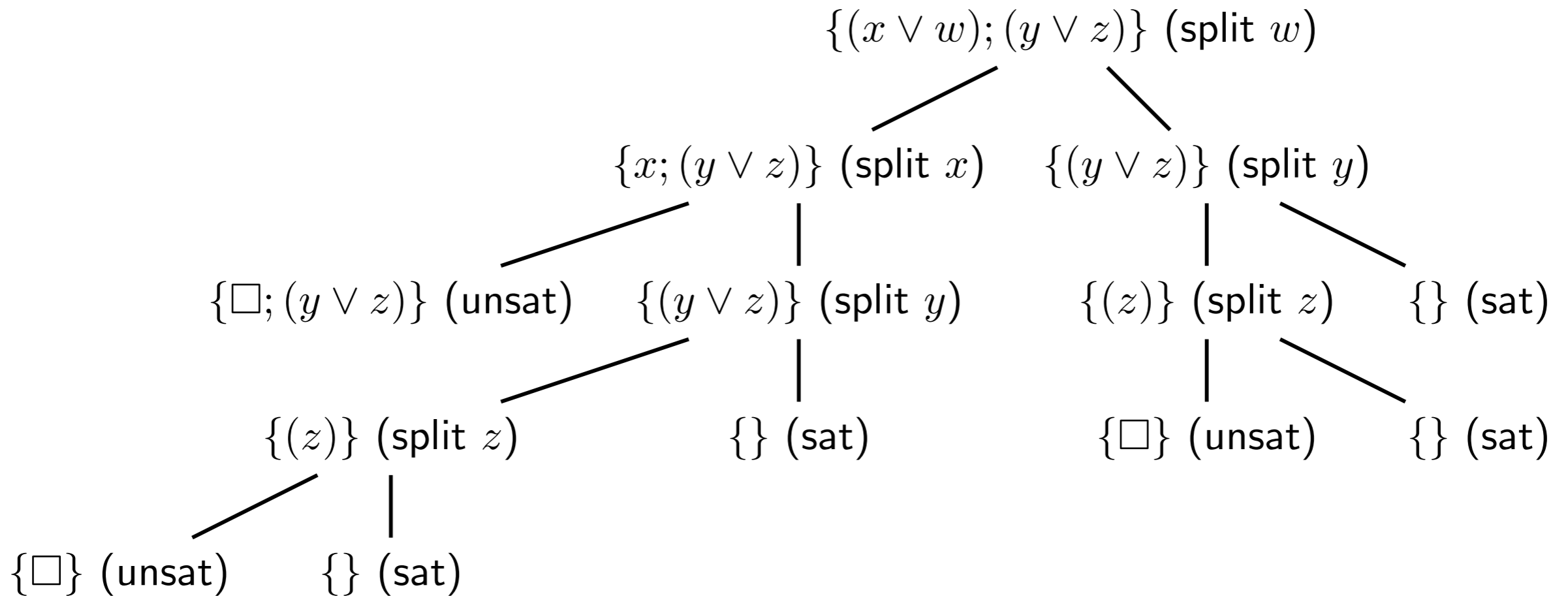
$w(\text{not } f) = 1 - p$

The DPLL Algorithm for SAT

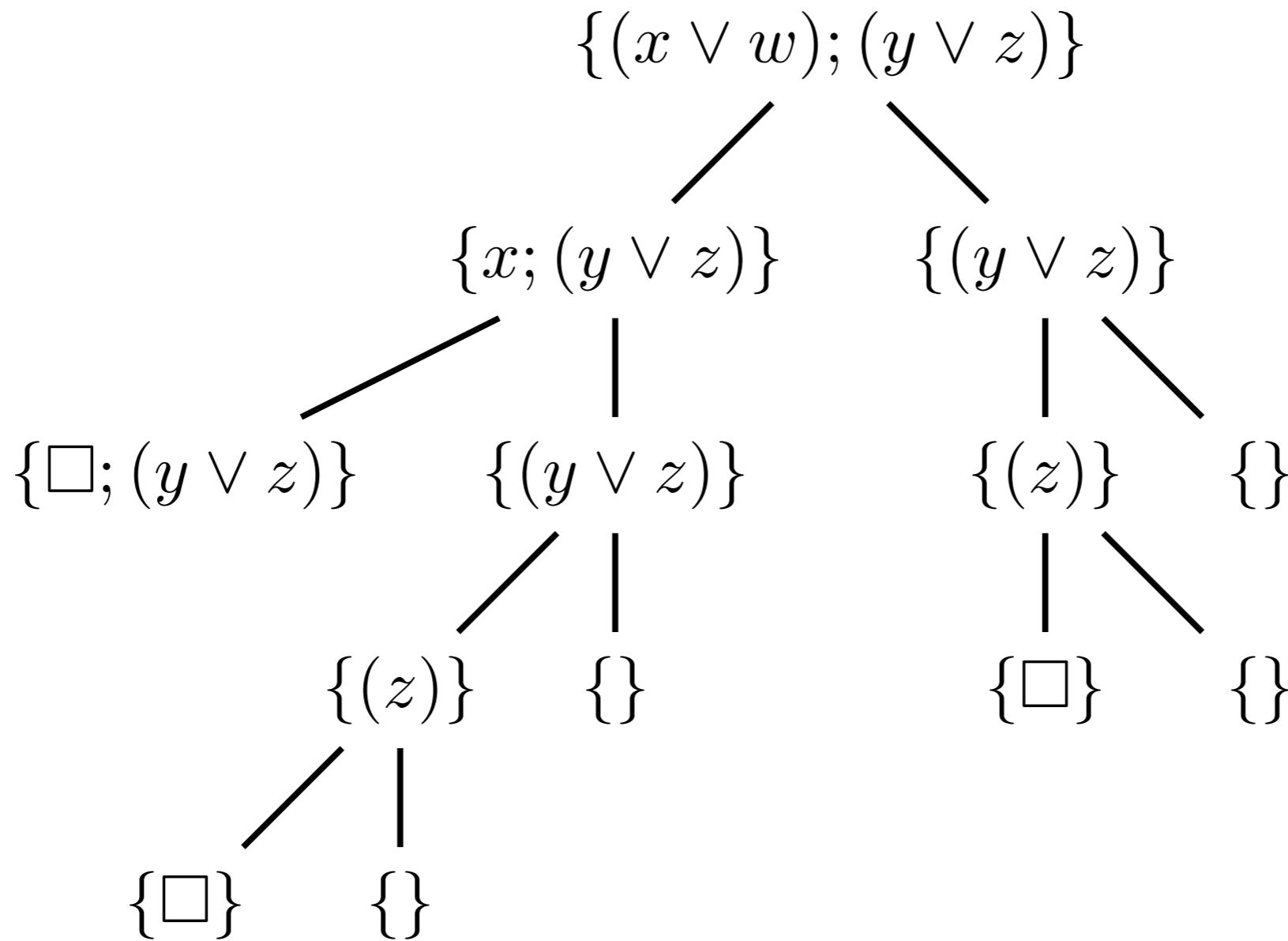
```
procedure DPLL(Vars : variables, S : set of clauses):  
  if S is empty  
    return 1  
  else if S contains an empty clause  
    return 0  
  else select  $v \in Vars$   
     $S_t := S$  where  $v = 1$  (making the variable true)  
     $S_f := S$  where  $v = 0$  (making the variable false)  
    return  $DPLL(Vars - \{v\}, S_t) + DPLL(Vars - \{v\}, S_f)$ 
```

- In a CNF theory $(A \vee \neg B) \wedge (C \vee D)$, the clauses are the disjunctions, that is, $(A \vee \neg B)$ and $(C \vee D)$
- A unit clause contains exactly one literal. E.g., A and $\neg A$ are both unit clauses. (It is possible to make DPLL more efficient by assigning unit clauses the appropriate value)
- An empty clause is a disjunction of 0 literals, at least one of which must be true. Therefore an empty clause is always unsatisfiable.

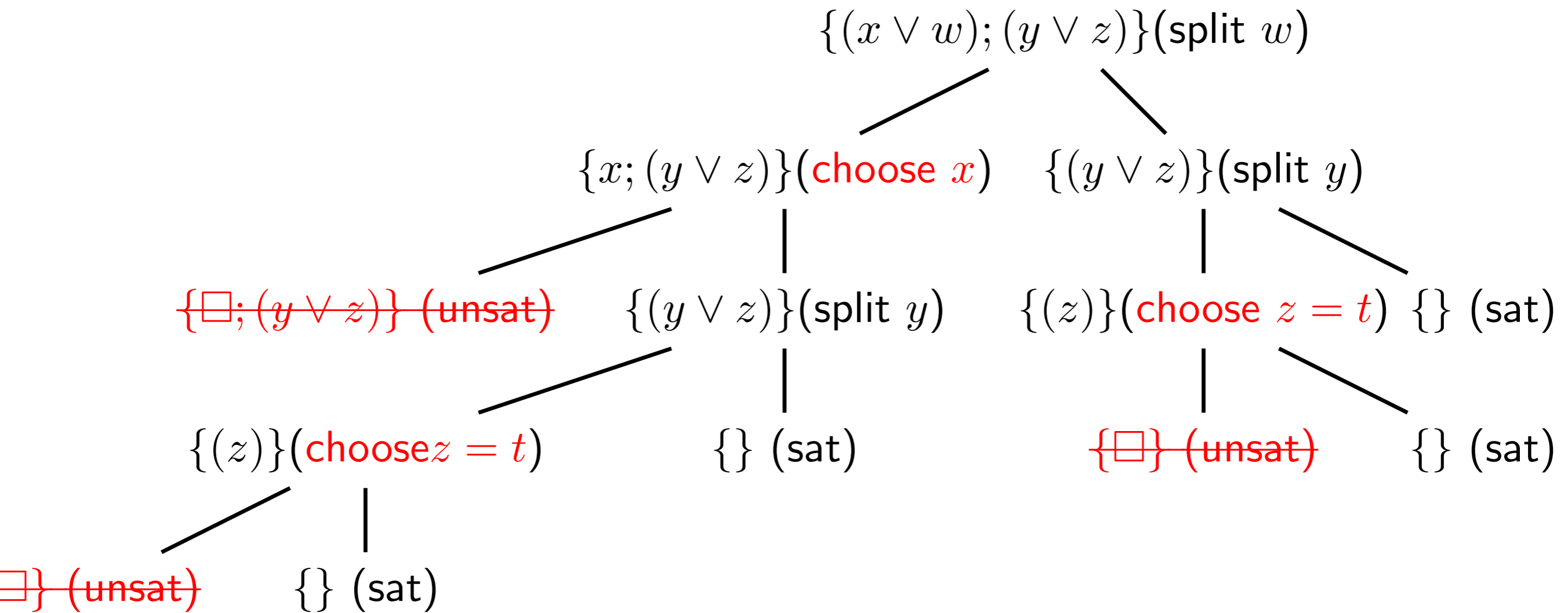
Example for SAT



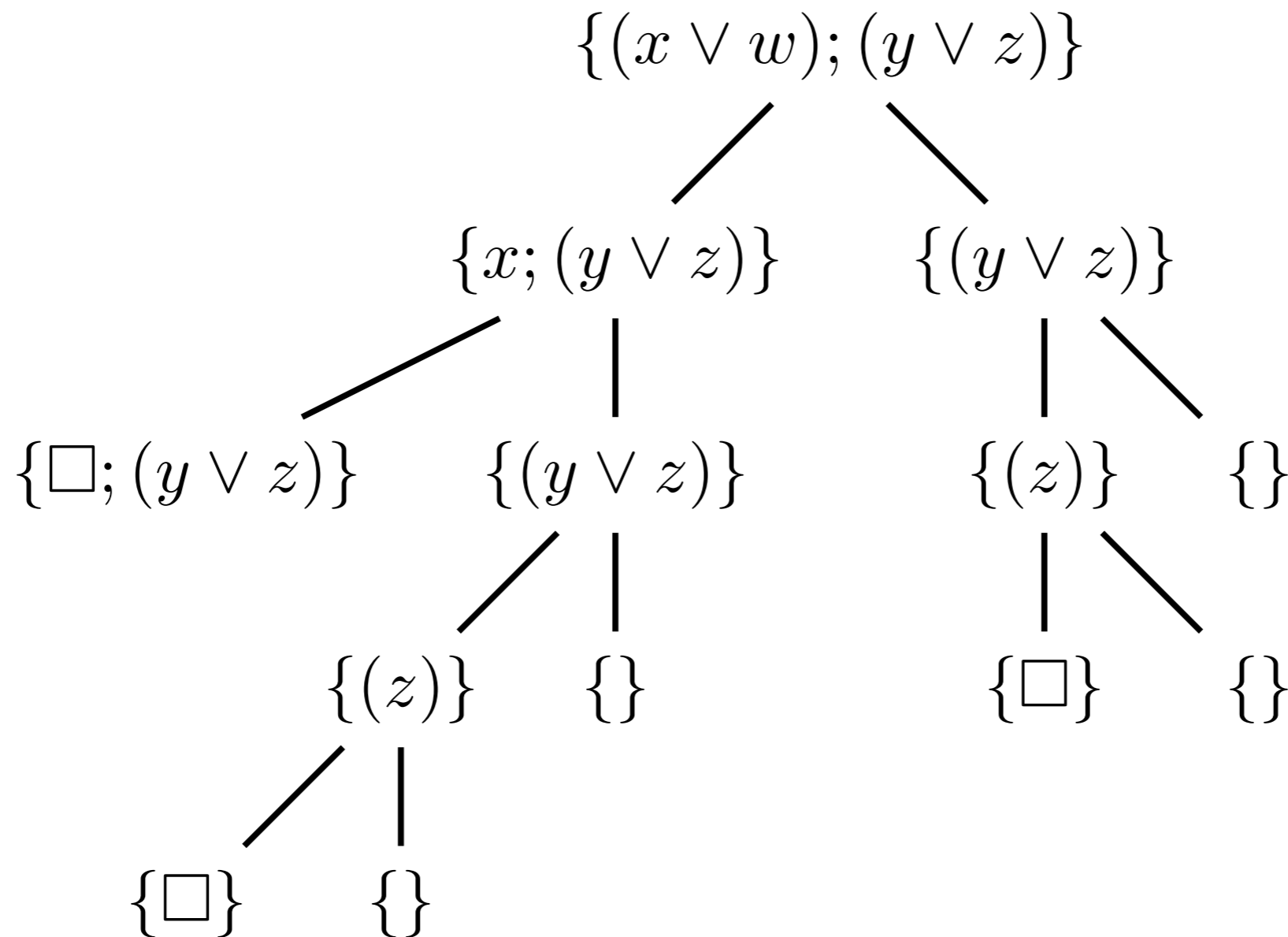
Shorthand Notation



Example - Unit Clause Propagation



Caching

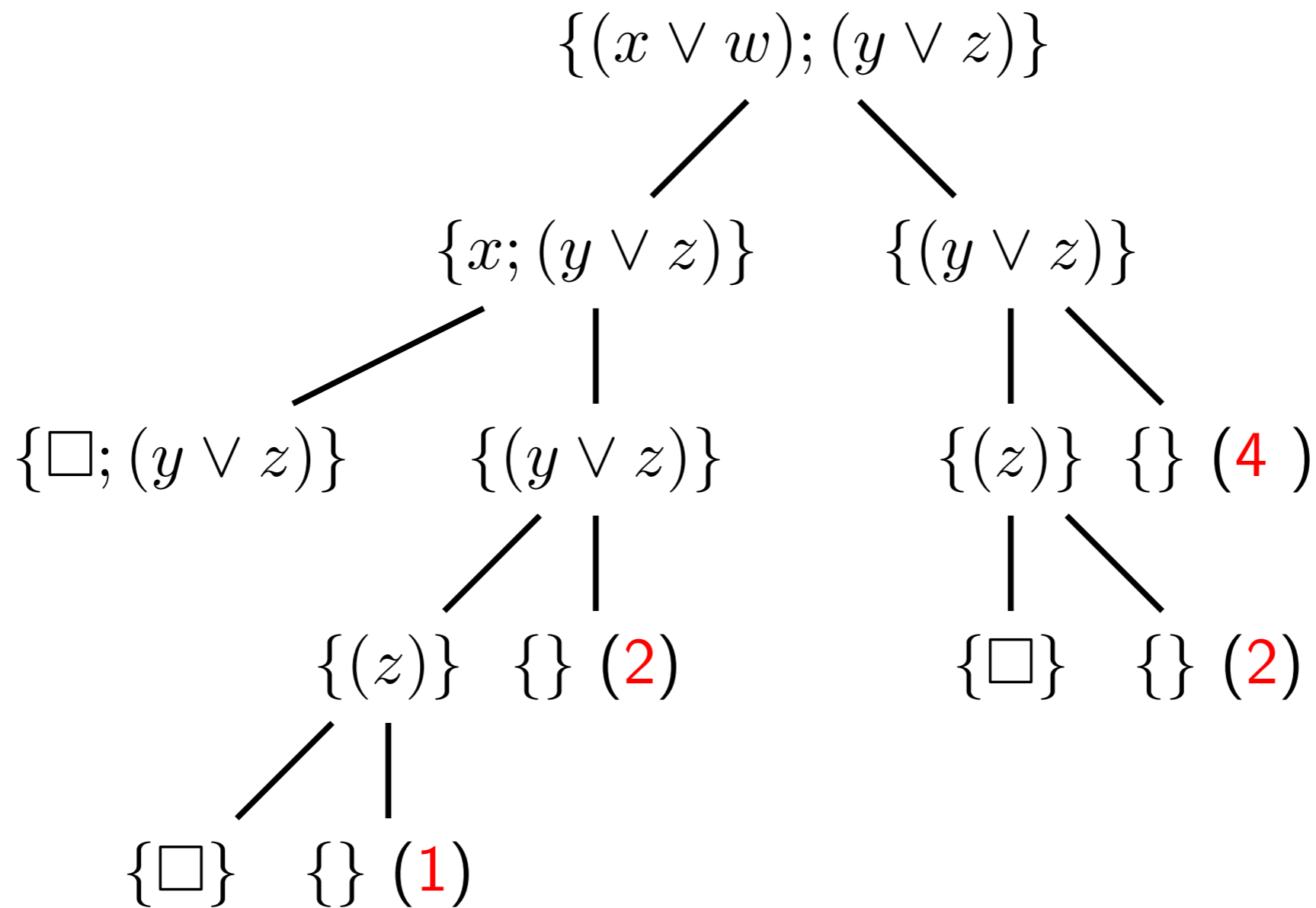


Solution : cache computed answers for sub trees and test whether sub formula was already encountered before.

DPLL Variant for #SAT

```
procedure #SAT(Vars : variables, S : set of clauses):  
  if S is empty  
    return  $2^{|Vars|}$   
  else if S contains an empty clause  
    return 0  
  else select  $v \in Vars$   
     $S_t := S$  where  $v = 1$  (making the variable true)  
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    return #SAT( $Vars - \{v\}, S_t$ ) + #SAT( $Vars - \{v\}, S_f$ )
```

Example #SAT



DPLL Variant for WMC

```
procedure  $WMC(Vars : \text{variables}, S : \text{set of clauses})$ :  
  if  $S$  is empty  
    return  $\prod_{v \in Vars} w(v) + w(\neg v)$   
  else if  $S$  contains an empty clause  
    return 0  
  else select  $v \in Vars$   
     $S_t := S$  where  $v = 1$  (making the variable true)  
     $S_f := S$  where  $v = 0$  (making the variable false)  
    return  $w(v) WMC(Vars - \{v\}, S_t) + w(\neg v) WMC(Vars - \{v\}, S_f)$ 
```

What have we done ?

We have used sum products — semi-rings

A semiring is a structure $(A, \oplus, \otimes, e^\oplus, e^\otimes)$, where addition \oplus and multiplication \otimes are associative binary operations over the set A , \oplus is commutative, \otimes distributes over \oplus , $e^\oplus \in A$ is the neutral element of \oplus , $e^\otimes \in A$ that of \otimes , and for all $a \in A$, $e^\oplus \otimes a = a \otimes e^\oplus = e^\oplus$. In a commutative semiring, \otimes is commutative as well.

Algebraic Model Counting

- commutative semiring $(A, \oplus, \otimes, e^\oplus, e^\otimes)$
- algebraic literals
 $L(F) = \{f_1, \dots, f_n\} \cup \{\neg f_1, \dots, \neg f_n\}$
- labeling function $\alpha: L(F) \rightarrow A$
- propositional logical theory T

$$AMC(T) = \bigoplus_{T \models w} \bigotimes_{l \in w} \alpha(l)$$

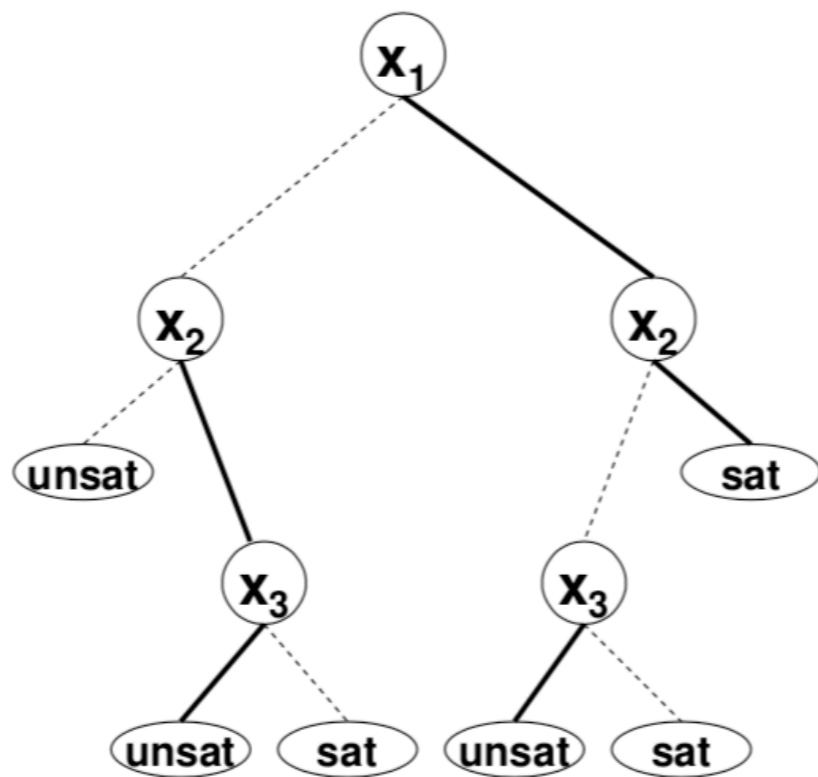
Useful Semirings

task	\mathcal{A}	e^\oplus	e^\otimes	\oplus	\otimes	$\alpha(v)$	$\alpha(\neg v)$	ref
SAT	$\{true, false\}$	<i>false</i>	<i>true</i>	\vee	\wedge	<i>true</i>	<i>true</i>	B, BT, G, GK, K, L, M
#SAT	\mathbb{N}	0	1	+	\cdot	1	1	B, G, GK, K, L
WMC	$\mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}$	0	1	+	\cdot	$\in \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}$	$\in \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}$	
PROB	$\mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}$	0	1	+	\cdot	$\in [0, 1]$	$1 - \alpha(v)$	B, BT, E, G, K
SENS	$\mathbb{R}[\mathcal{V}]$	0	1	+	\cdot	v or $\in [0, 1]$	$1 - \alpha(v)$	K
GRAD	$\mathbb{R}_{\geq 0} \times \mathbb{R}$	(0, 0)	(1, 0)	Eq. (4)	Eq. (5)	Eq. (2)	Eq. (3)	E, K
MPE	$\mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}$	0	1	max	\cdot	$\in [0, 1]$	$1 - \alpha(v)$	B, BT, G, K, L, M
S-PATH	\mathbb{N}^∞	∞	0	min	+	$\in \mathbb{N}$	0	BT, GK, K
W-PATH	\mathbb{N}^∞	0	∞	max	min	$\in \mathbb{N}$	∞	BT
FUZZY	[0, 1]	0	1	max	min	$\in [0, 1]$	1	GK, M
k WEIGHT	$\{0, \dots, k\}$	k	0	min	$+^k$	$\in \{0, \dots, k\}$	$\in \{0, \dots, k\}$	M
OBDD _{<}	OBDD _{<} (\mathcal{V})	OBDD _{<} (0)	OBDD _{<} (1)	\vee	\wedge	OBDD _{<} (v)	\neg OBDD _{<} (v)	K
WHY	$\mathcal{P}(\mathcal{V})$	\emptyset	\emptyset	\cup	\cup	$\{v\}$	n/a	GK
\mathcal{RA}^+	$\mathbb{N}[\mathcal{V}]$	0	1	+	\cdot	v	n/a	GK

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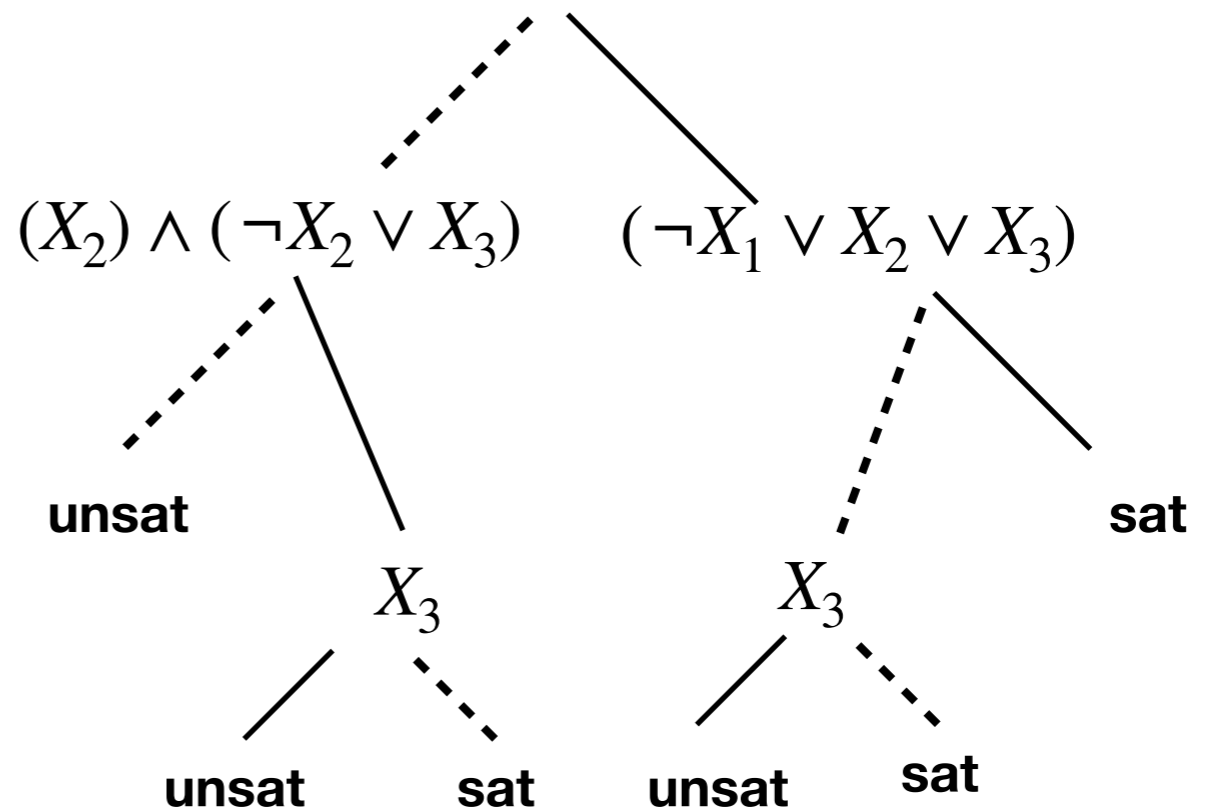
NNFs and Decision Nodes

DPLL

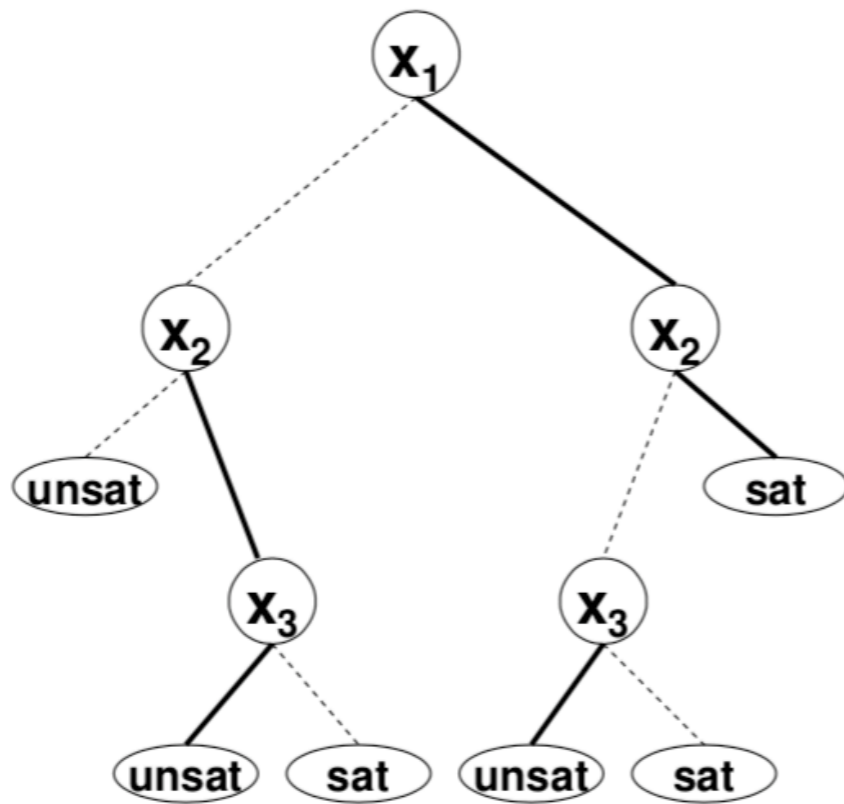


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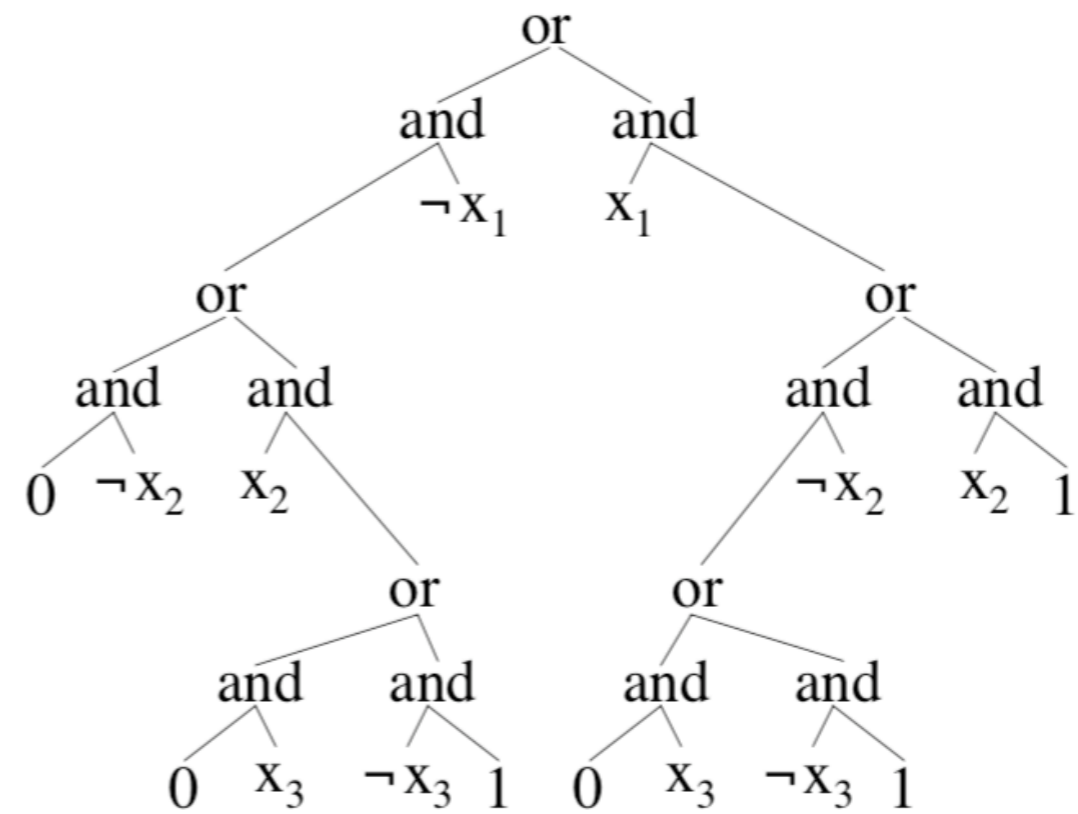
$$(X_1 \vee X_2) \wedge (X_1 \vee \neg X_2 \vee X_3) \wedge (\neg X_1 \vee X_2 \vee X_3)$$



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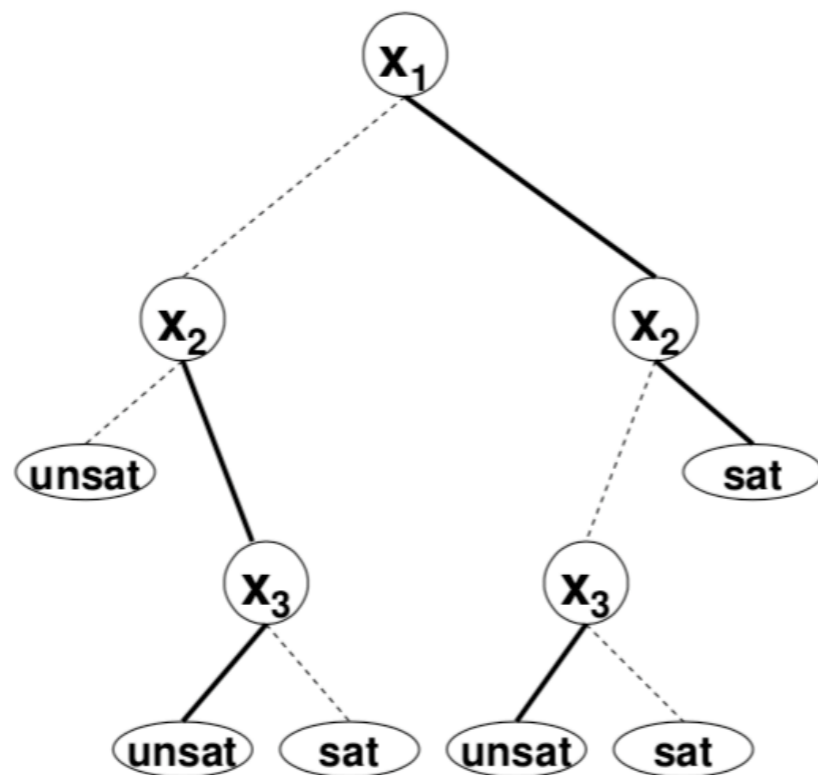
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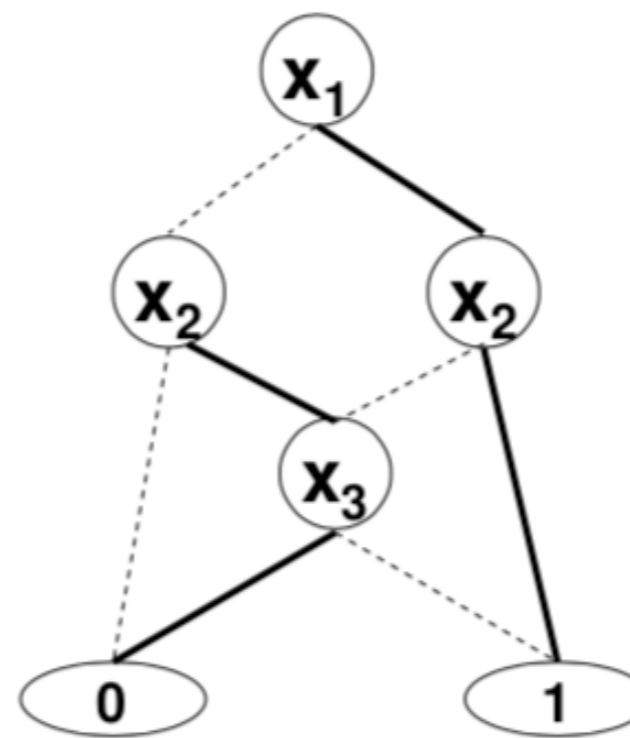
(b) Equivalent NNF circuit

from [Huang & Darwiche, JAIR 2007]

NNFs and Decision Nodes



(a) Termination tree



(c) OBDD

**DPLL +
Caching**

**Ordered =
same order vars
along all paths
(not really used here)**

Identifying and Exploiting Isomorphisms

from [Huang & Darwiche, JAIR 2007]

NNFs : special forms

- Why is this important ?
 - remember that we replace and by \times and or by $+$
- decomposability allows to rewrite $P(A \wedge B) = P(A) \times P(B)$
- determinism allows to rewrite $P(A \vee B) = P(A) + P(B)$
- without smoothness you might not take into account all variables
- these eqs. do not hold for arbitrary formula A and B !

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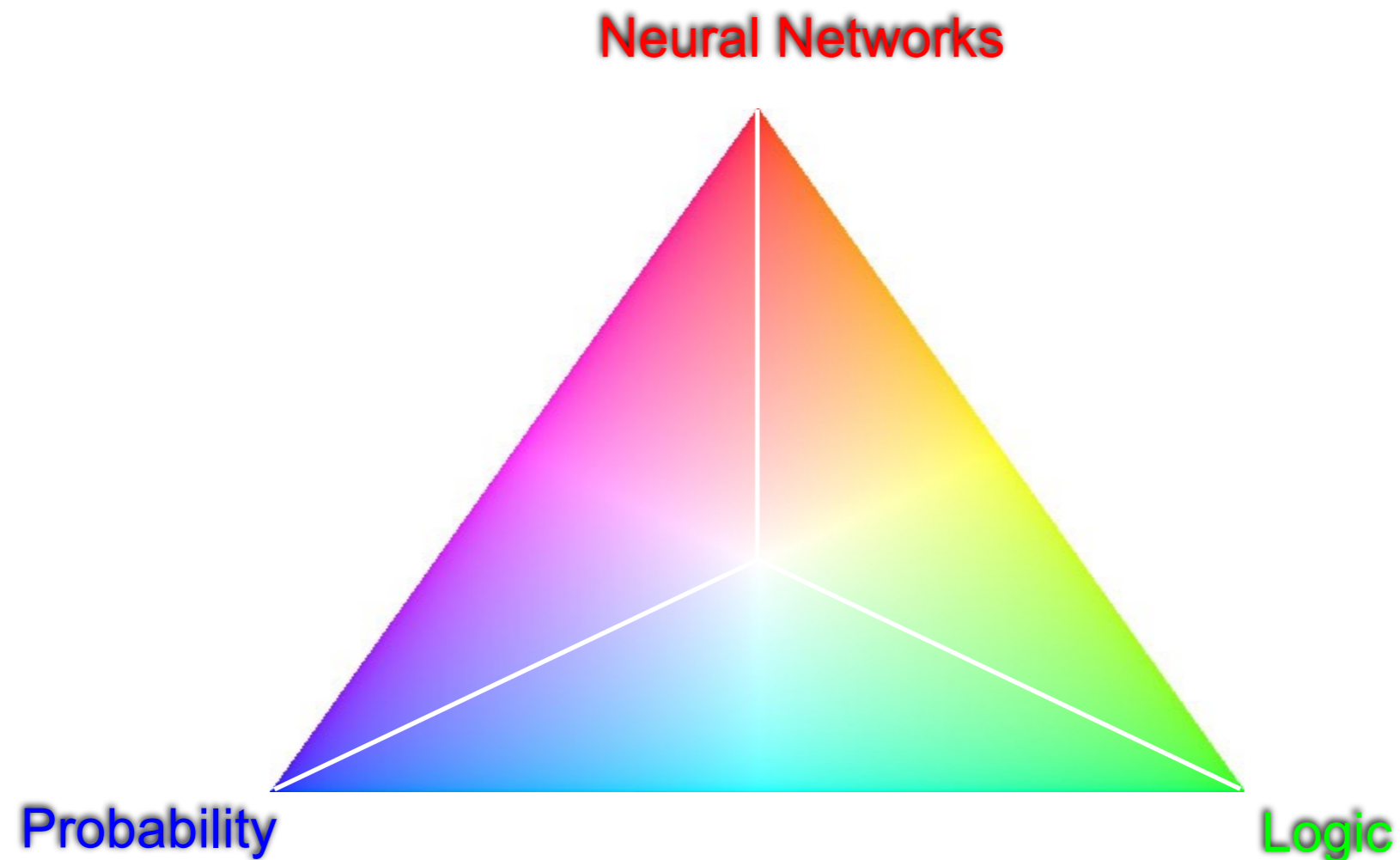
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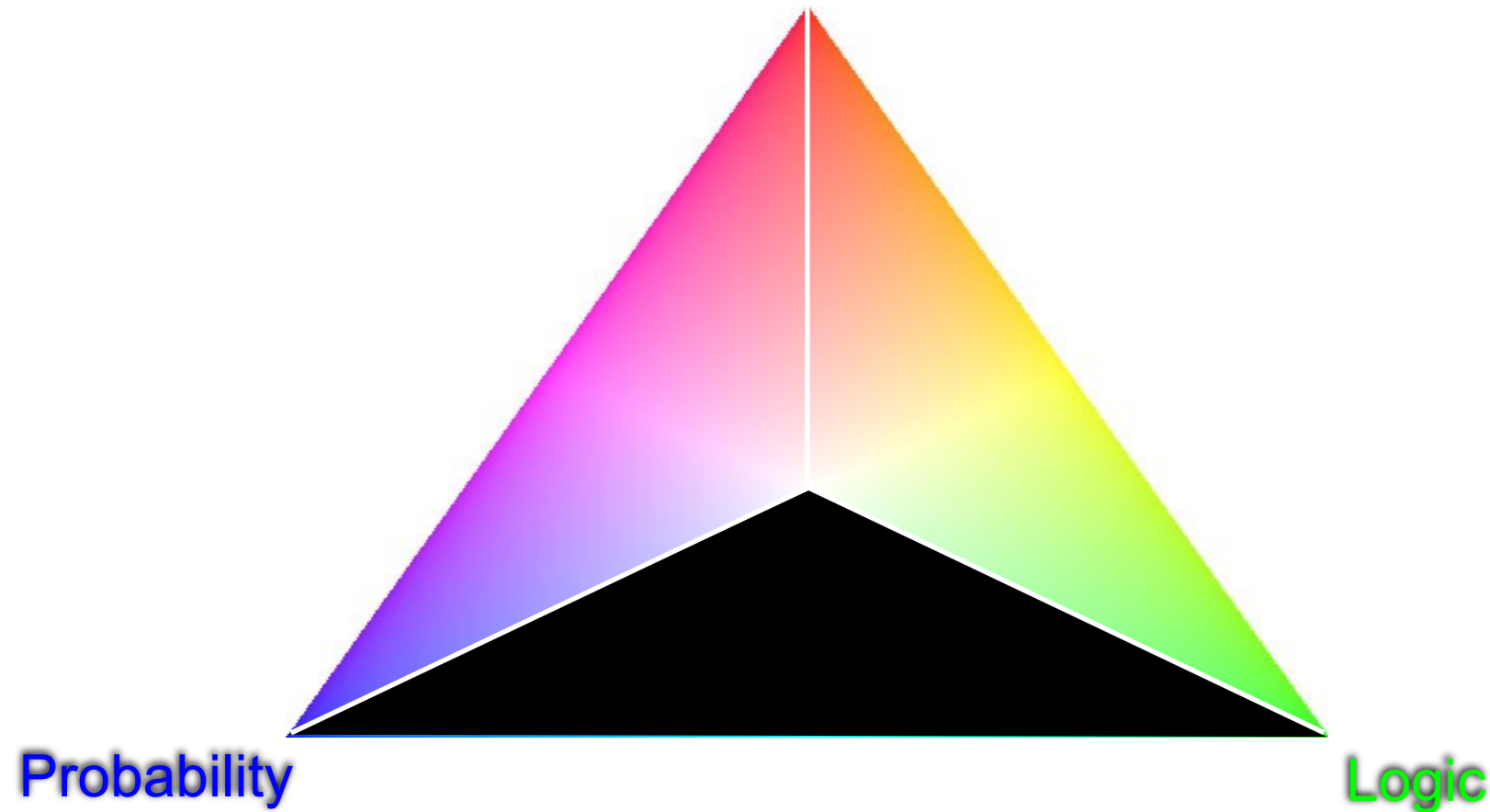
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About integration in neural symbolic



Statistical Relational AI

Neural Networks

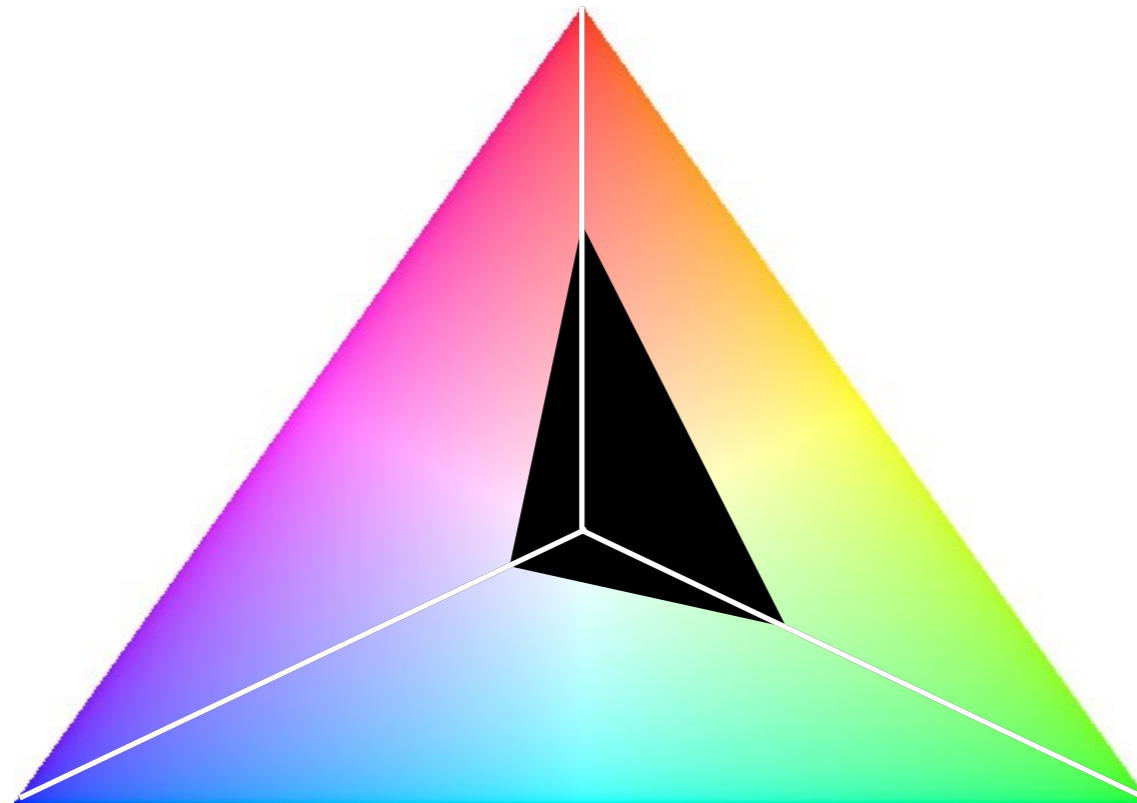


They perfectly integrate probability theory (Probabilistic Graphical Models) and Logic.



Knowledge Graph Embeddings

Neural Networks



Probability

TransE (Bordes 2013)
DistMult (Yang, 2014)
Complex (Trouillon, 2016)
NTN (Socher, 2013)

Logic

They use latent spaces, typical of neural computation to encode a relational structure of the data.

Neural networks cannot be recovered.

Logic is declined to encoding relations

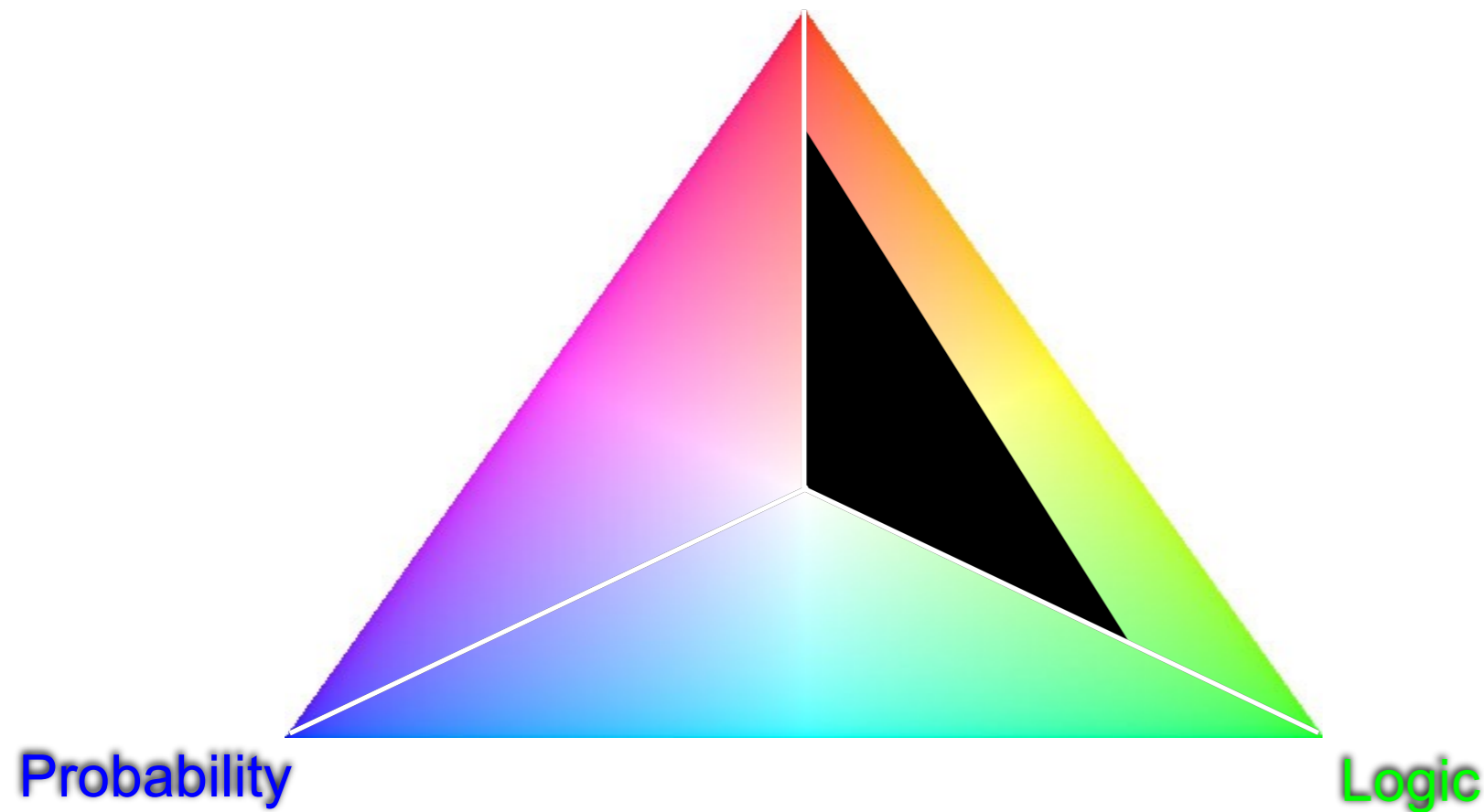
Probabilistic modelling is strongly approximated (e.g. atom mean field)

Most scalable solutions.



Relaxed theorem provers

Neural Networks



They sacrifice a bit the pure boolean semantics to obtain some soft neural capabilities (weighted reasoning, embeddings).

KBANN (Towell 1994)

LRNN (Sourek, 2017)

NTPs (Rocktäschel, 2017)

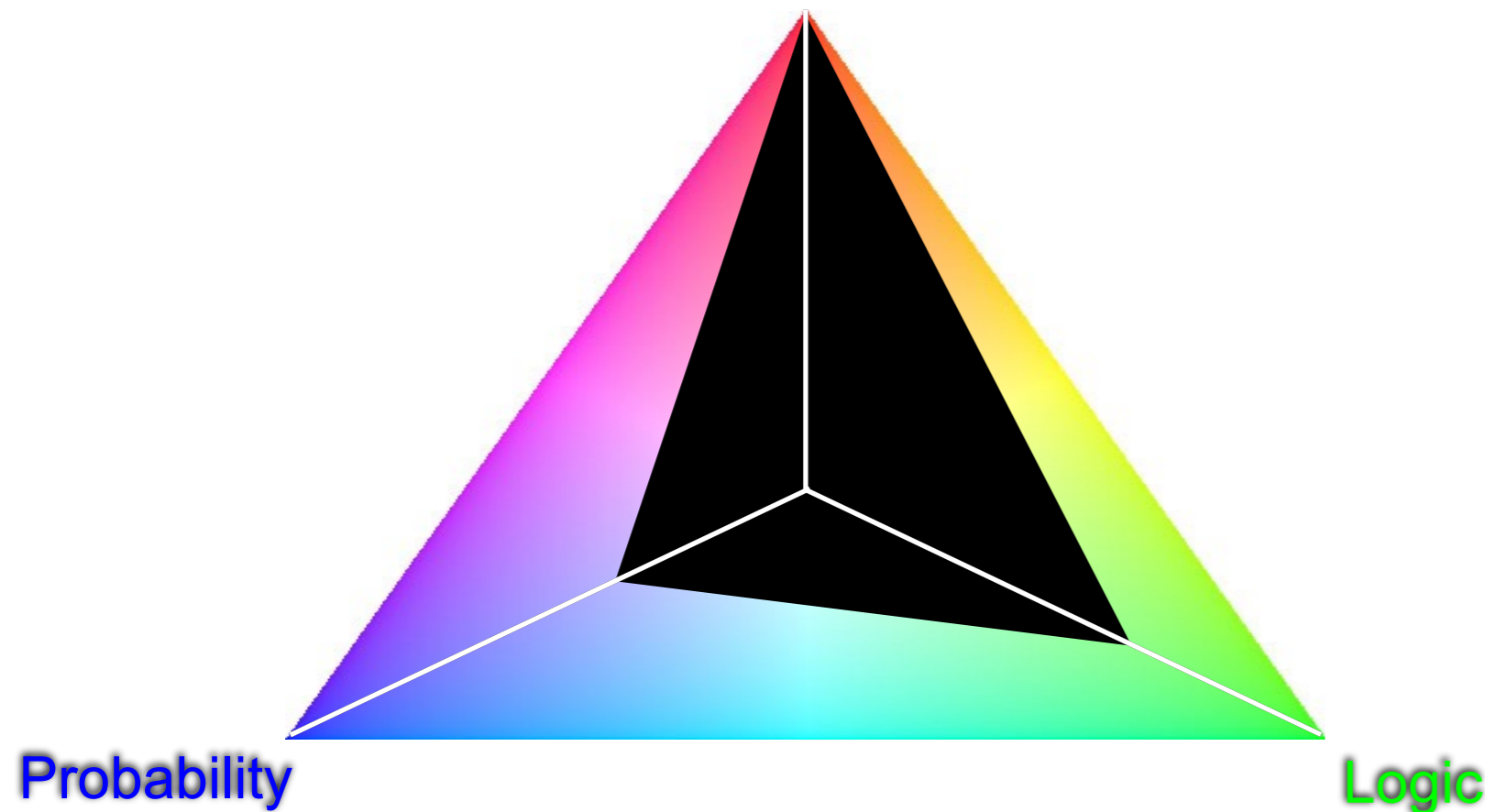
DiffLog (Si et al, 2018)

NN for Relational Data (2019)



Regularization methods

Neural Networks



They sacrifice the logic and probability a lot by pushing everything inside the weights of the neural network.

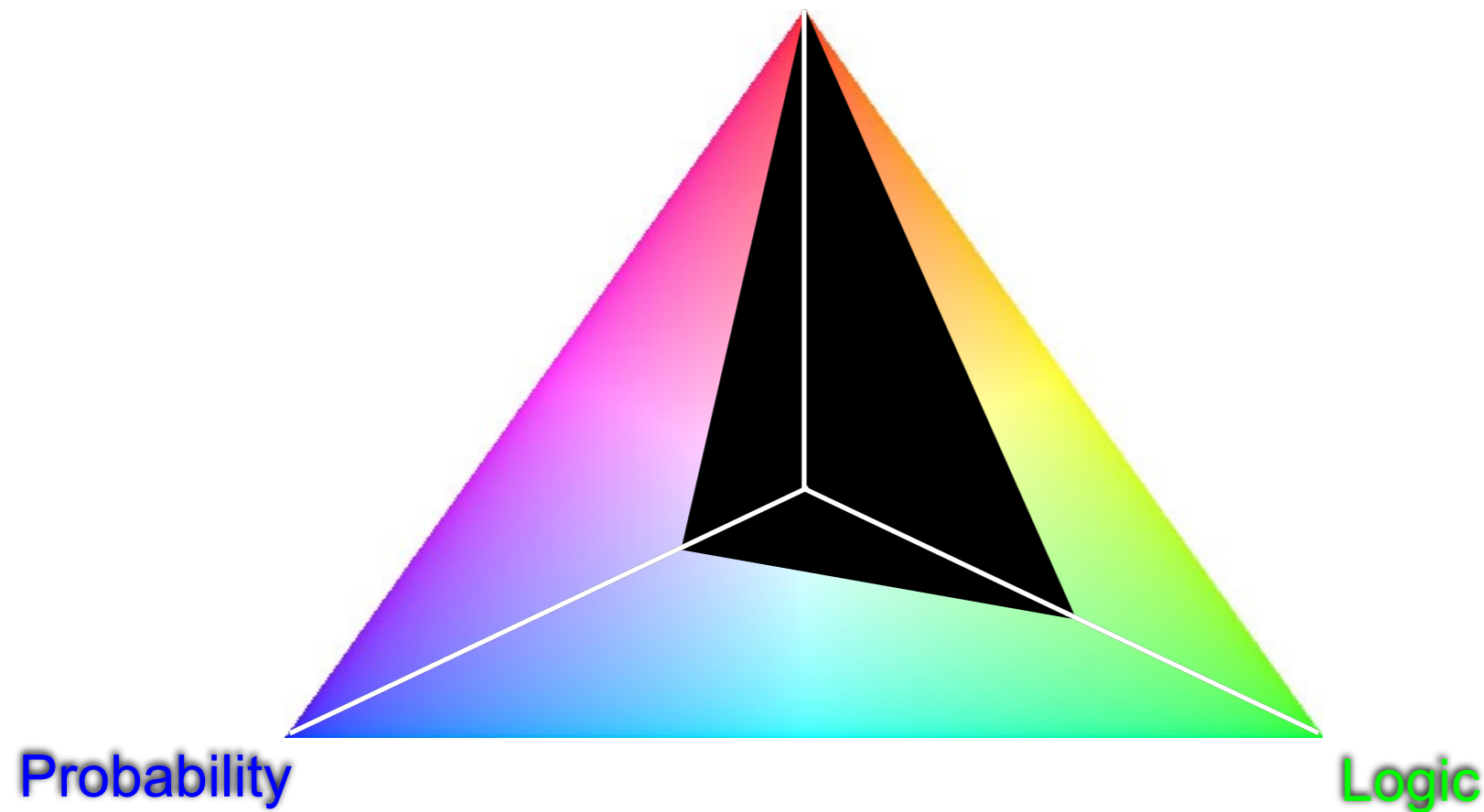
Logic and probability are used only at training time. At inference time, only the neural net is used.

SBR (Diligenti et al, AI 2017)
LTN (Donatello et al, IJCAI 2017)
SL (Xu et al, ICML 2018)



Graph Neural Networks

Neural Networks



They extend neural network to provide some relational and multihop reasoning.

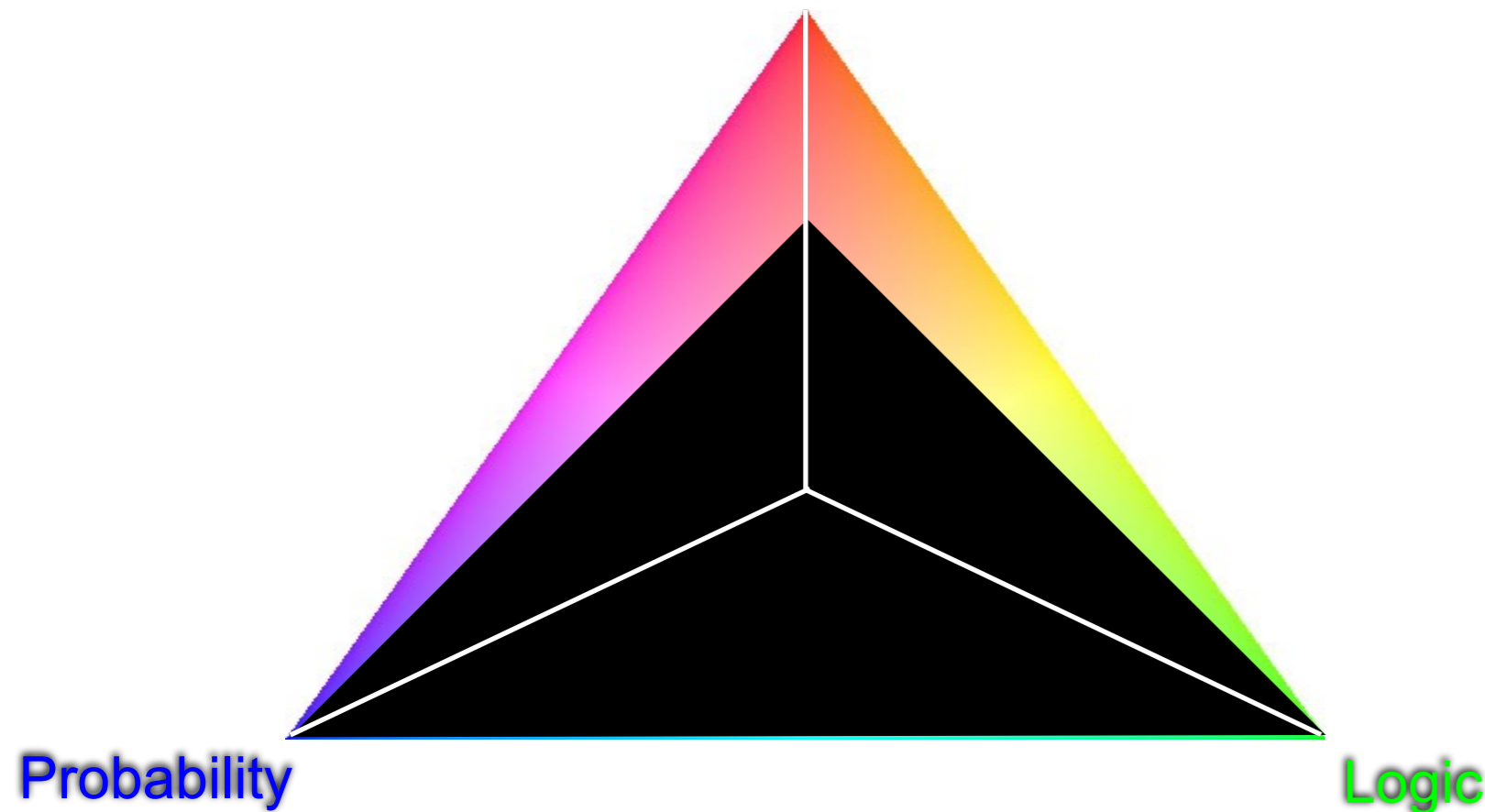
Logical semantics is not preserved.

R-GCN - Schlichtkrull et al, 2017



Probabilistic reparameterization

Neural Networks




They extend StarAI with perception capabilities.

Subsymbols at the level of the constants only

- Not at the level of the atoms (like KGE)
- Not at the level of the rules (like GNNs)

One of the most promising direction for NeSy.

Main problem is scalability.

DeepProbLog (Manhaeve, 2018) 
RNM (Marra, 2020)

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A Recipe for NeSy

One NeSy Recipe

1. Take a symbolic (logic / rule based) representation
2. Turn the 0/1 True/False in Fuzzy or Probabilistic Interpretation
3. Interpret neural networks as logical predicates/functions,
4. (The harder part): inference and learning

For instance:

map an MNIST image to a number

$$m(\mathbf{2}) = 2$$

m as a neural network

$mp(\mathbf{2}, 2) = 0.93$ as a neural predicate
(with a fuzzy/prob. interpretation)

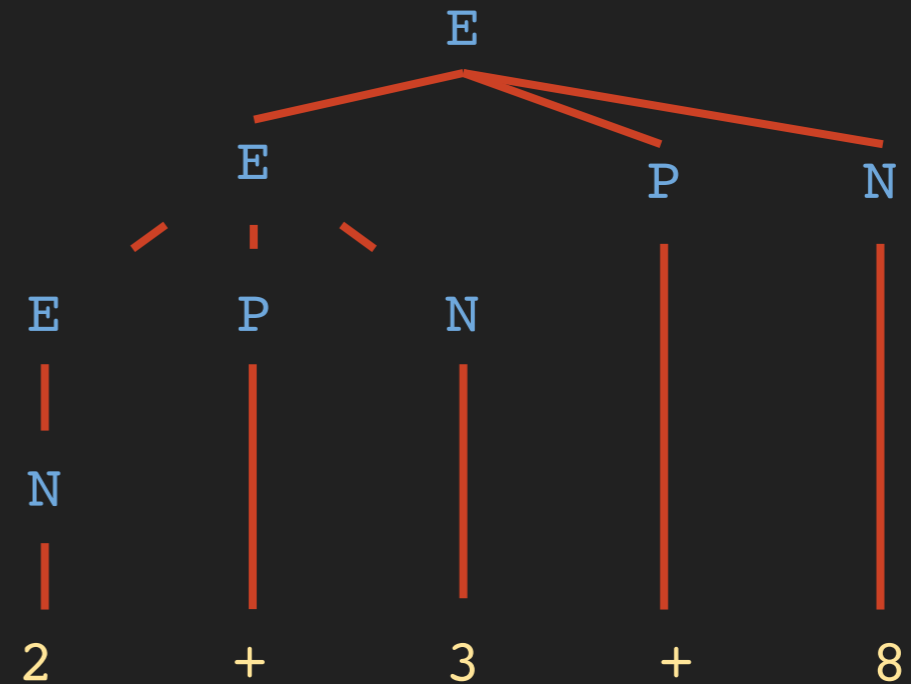
DeepStochLog

- Little sibling of DeepProbLog [Winters, Marra, et al AAI 22]
- Based on a different semantics
 - probabilistic graphical models vs grammars
 - random graphs vs random walks
- Underlying StarAI representation is Stochastic Logic Programs (Muggleton, Cussens)
 - close to Probabilistic Definite Clause Grammars, aka probabilistic unification based grammar formalism
 - again the idea of neural predicates
- Scales better, is faster than DeepProbLog

Neural Definite Clause Grammar

CFG: Context-Free Grammar

$E \rightarrow N$
 $E \rightarrow E, P, N$
 $P \rightarrow ["+"]$
 $N \rightarrow ["0"]$
 $N \rightarrow ["1"]$
...
 $N \rightarrow ["9"]$



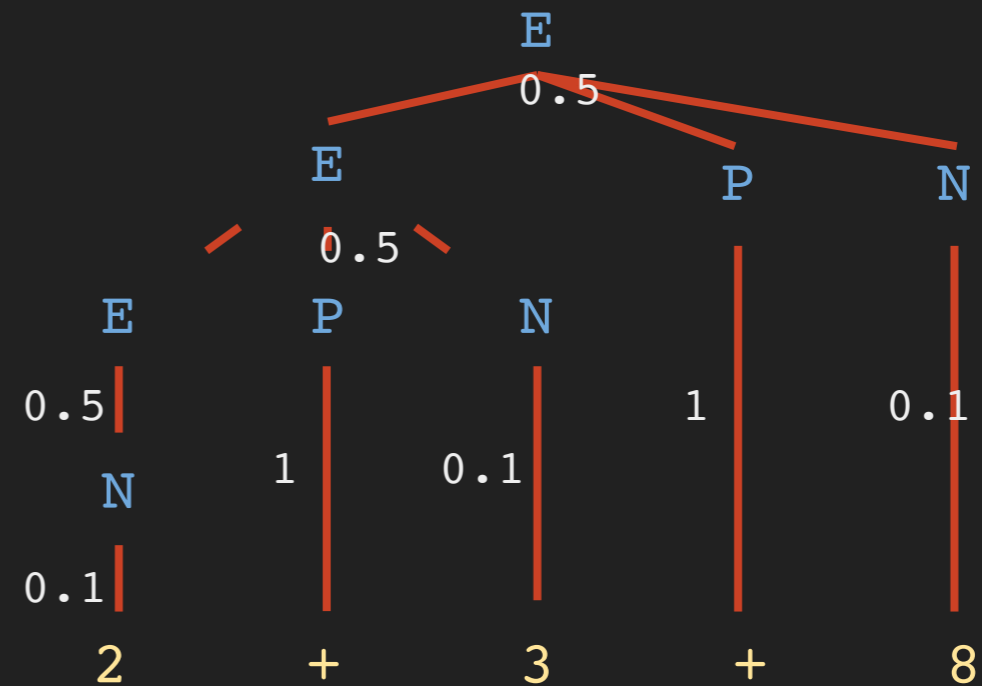
Useful for:

- Is sequence an **element of** the specified language?
- What is the "*part of speech*"-**tag** of a terminal
- **Generate** all elements of language

PCFG: Probabilistic Context-Free Grammar

0.5	::	E	-->	N
0.5	::	E	-->	E, P, N
1.0	::	P	-->	["+"]
0.1	::	N	-->	["0"]
0.1	::	N	-->	["1"]
		...		
0.1	::	N	-->	["9"]

Always sums to 1 per non-terminal



$$\text{Probability of this parse} = 0.5 * 0.5 * 0.5 * 0.1 * 1 * 0.1 * 1 * 0.1$$

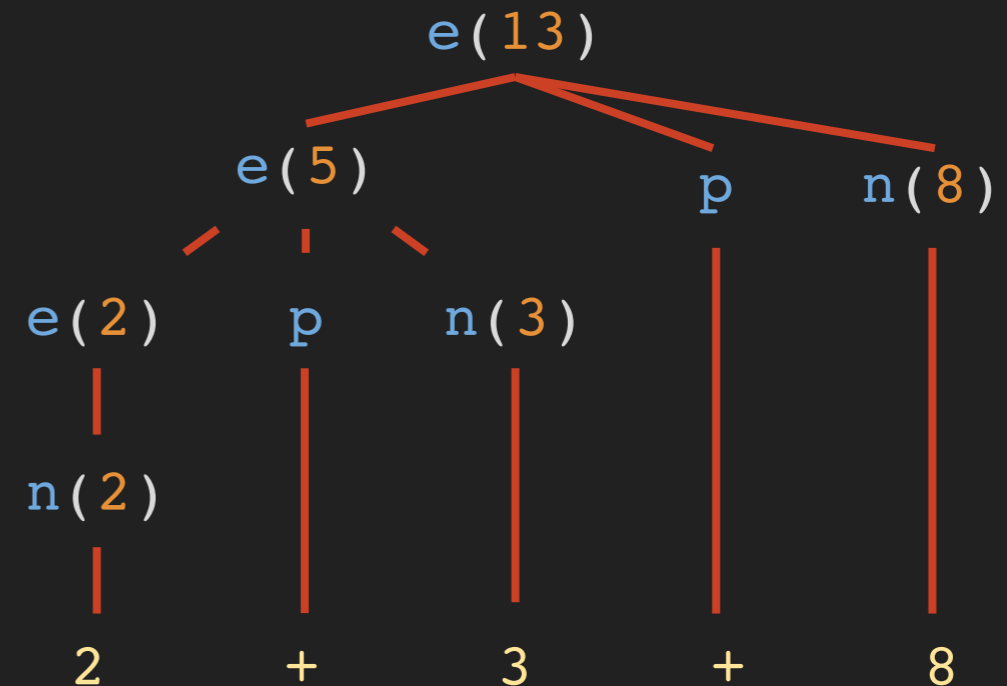
$$= 0.000125$$

Useful for:

- What is the **most likely parse** for this sequence of terminals? *(useful for ambiguous grammars)*
- What is the **probability of generating** this string?

DCG: Definite Clause Grammar

```
e(N) --> n(N) .
e(N) --> e(N1), p, n(N2),
         {N is N1 + N2} .
p      --> ["+"].
n(0)   --> ["0"].
n(1)   --> ["1"].
...
n(9)   --> ["9"].
```

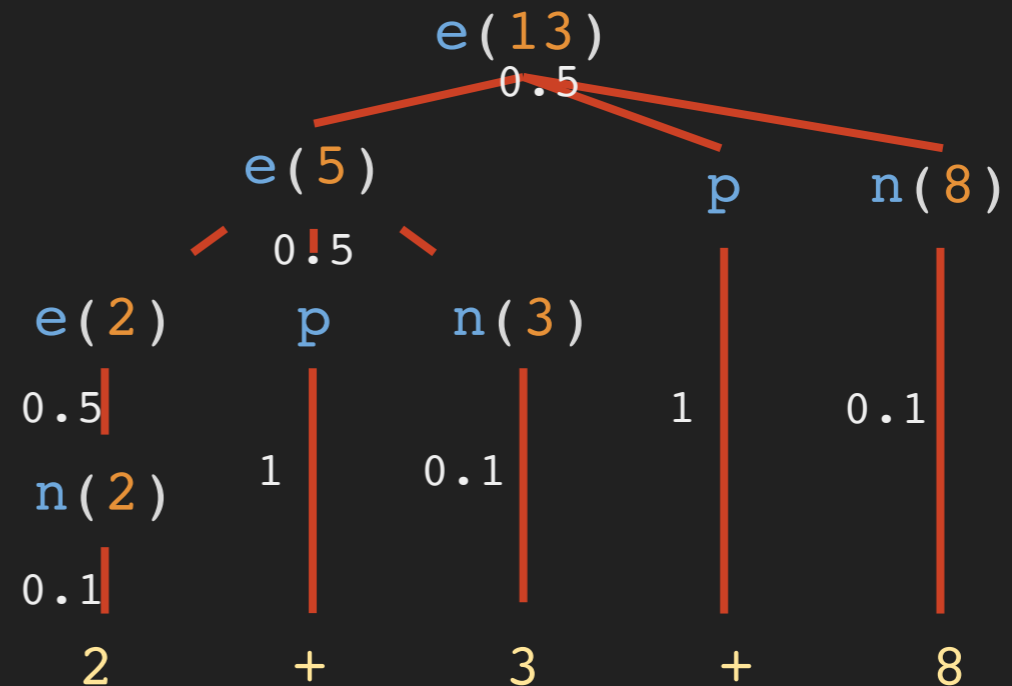


Useful for:

- Modelling **more complex** languages (*e.g. context-sensitive*)
- Adding constraints between non-terminals thanks to **Prolog** power (*e.g. through unification*)
- **Extra inputs & outputs** aside from terminal sequence (*through unification of input variables*)

SDCG: Stochastic Definite Clause Grammar

$0.5 :: e(N) \rightarrow n(N) .$
 $0.5 :: e(N) \rightarrow e(N1), p, n(N2),$
 $\{N \text{ is } N1 + N2\} .$
 $1.0 :: p \rightarrow ["+"] .$
 $0.1 :: n(0) \rightarrow ["0"] .$
 $0.1 :: n(1) \rightarrow ["1"] .$
 \dots
 $0.1 :: n(9) \rightarrow ["9"] .$



*Probability of this parse = $0.5 * 0.5 * 0.5 * 0.1 * 1 * 0.1 * 1 * 0.1$
 $= 0.000125$*

Useful for:

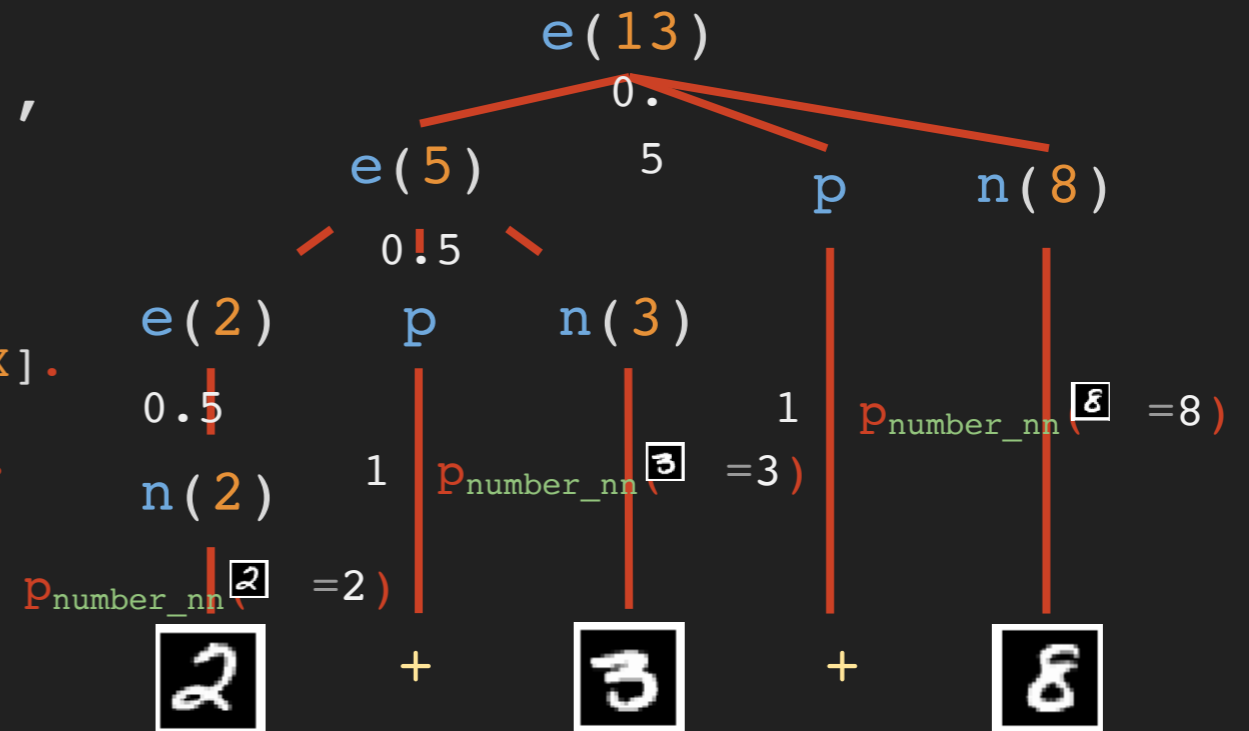
- **Same benefits** as PCFGs give to CFG (*e.g. most likely parse*)
- **But: loss of probability mass** possible due to failing derivations

NDCG: Neural Definite Clause Grammar (= DeepStochLog)

```

0.5 :: e(N) --> n(N).
0.5 :: e(N) --> e(N1), p, n(N2),
           {N is N1 + N2}.
1.0 :: p --> ["+"].

nn(number_nn,[X],[Y],[digit]) :: n(Y) --> [X].
digit(Y) :- member(Y,[0,1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9]).
    
```



Probability of this parse =

Useful for:

- **Subsymbolic** processing: e.g. tensors as terminals
- Learning rule probabilities using **neural networks**

$$0.5 * 0.5 * 0.5 * p_{\text{number_nn}}(\boxed{2}=2) * 1 * p_{\text{number_nn}}(\boxed{3}=3) * 1 * p_{\text{number_nn}}(\boxed{8}=8)$$

DeepStochLog NDCG definition

$\text{nn}(m, [I_1, \dots, I_m], [O_1, \dots, O_L], [D_1, \dots, D_L]) :: \text{nt} \dashrightarrow g_1, \dots, g_n.$

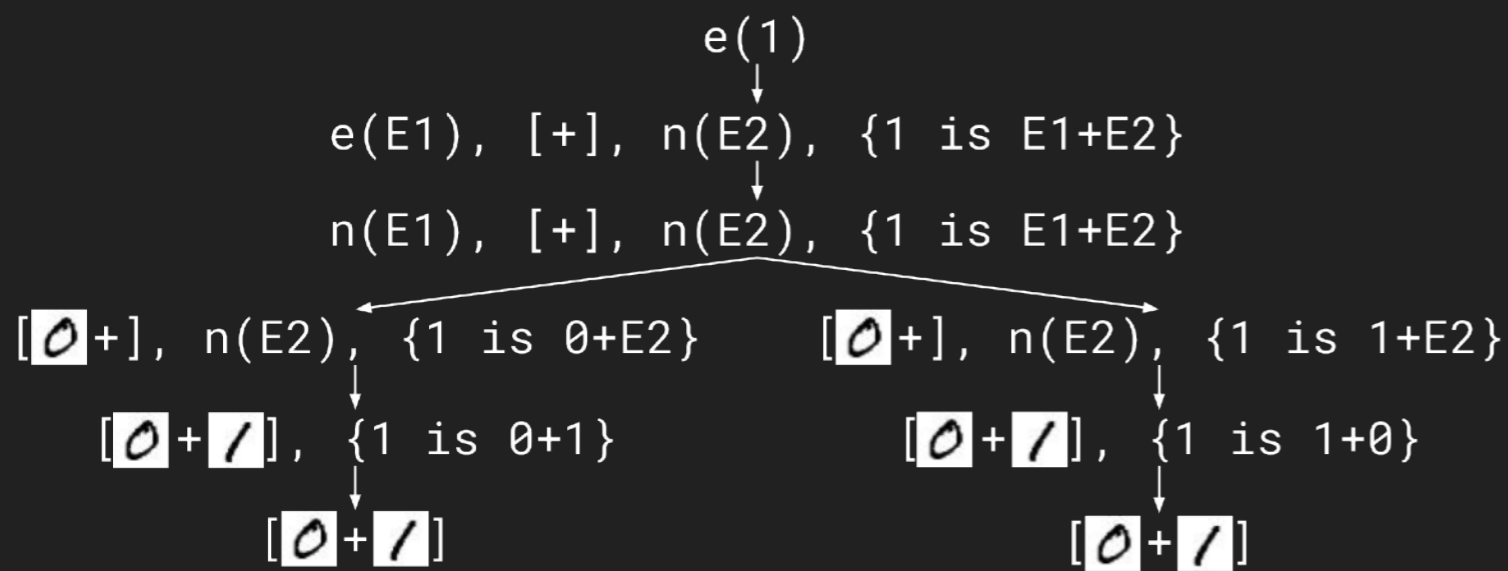
Where:

- nt is an atom
- g_1, \dots, g_n are goals (*goal = atom or list of terminals & variables*)
- I_1, \dots, I_m and O_1, \dots, O_L are variables occurring in g_1, \dots, g_n and are the inputs and outputs of m
- D_1, \dots, D_L are the predicates specifying the domains of O_1, \dots, O_L
- m is a neural network mapping I_1, \dots, I_m to probability distribution over O_1, \dots, O_L (= over cross product of D_1, \dots, D_L)

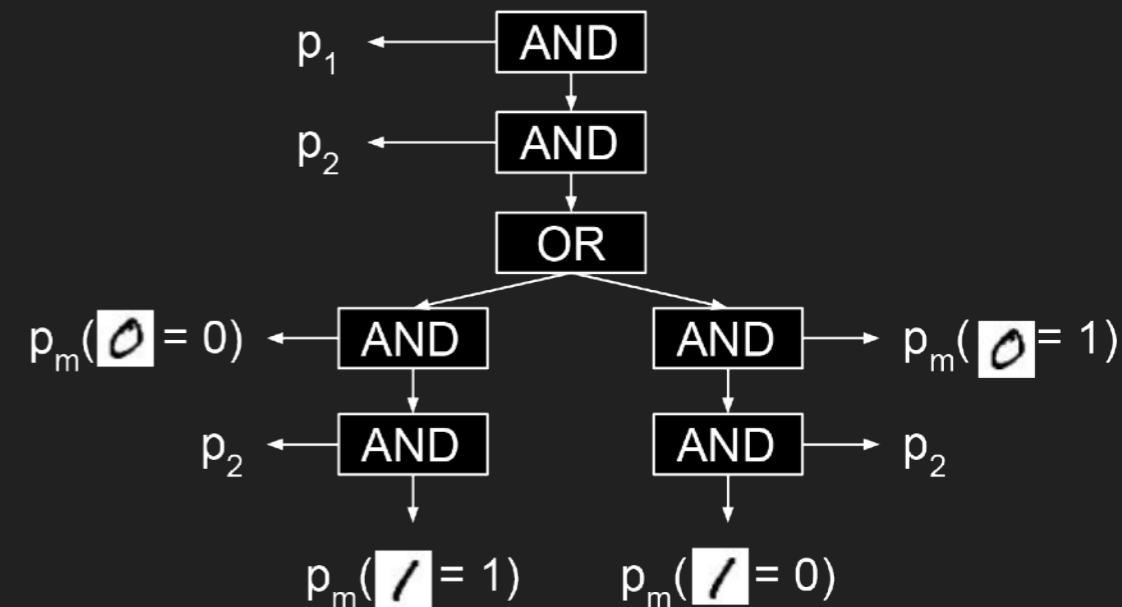
DeepStochLog Inference

Deriving probability of goal for given terminals in NDCG

Proof derivations $d(e(1), [0+1])$



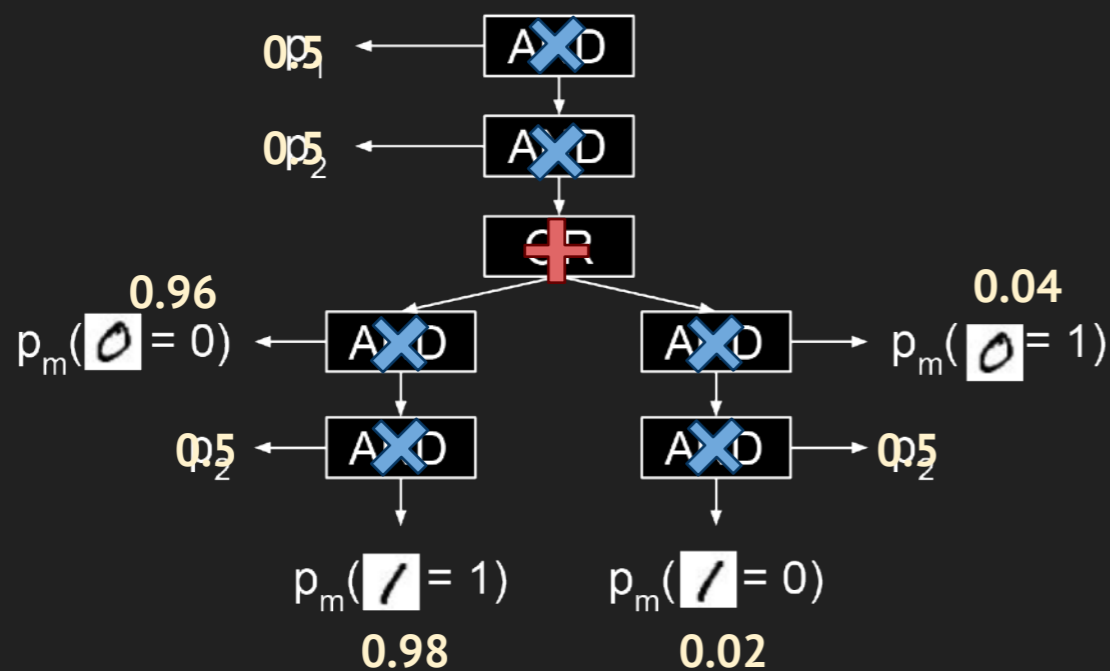
then turn it into and/or tree



And/Or tree + semiring for different inference types

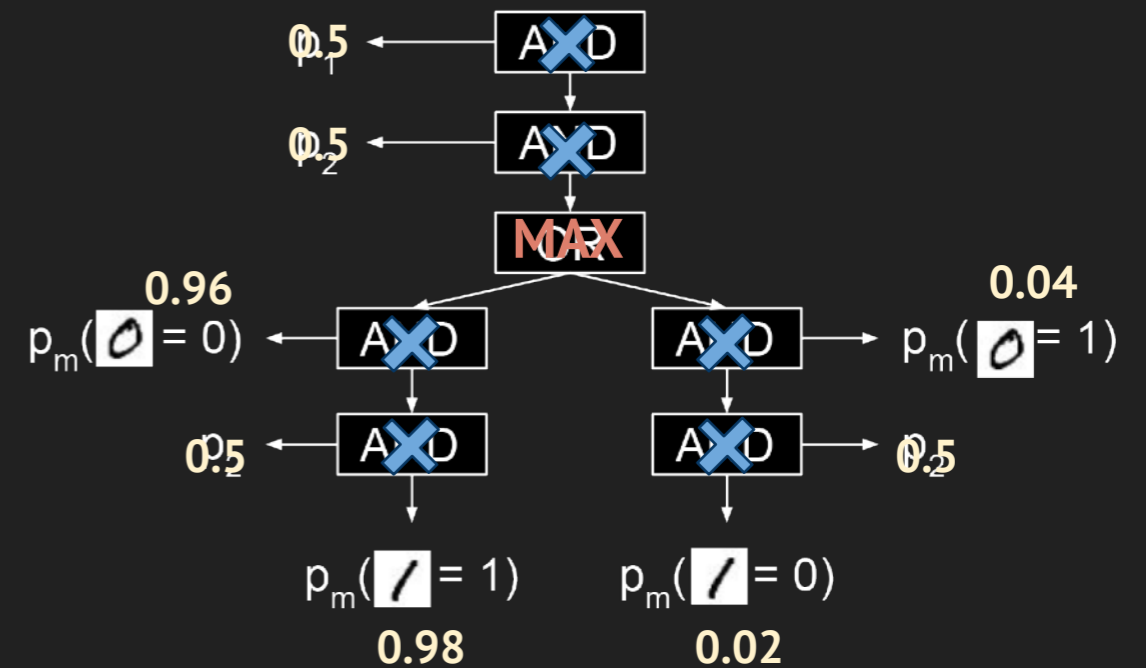
Probability of goal

$$P_G(\text{derives}(e(1), [\emptyset, +, \top]) = 0.1141$$



Most likely derivation

$$d_{\max}(e(1), [\emptyset, +, \top]) = \operatorname{argmax}_{d(e(t))=[\emptyset, +, \top]} P_G(d(e(1))) = [\emptyset, +, 1]$$



Inference optimisation

Inference is optimized using

- SLG resolution:** Prolog tables the returned proof tree(s), and thus creates forest
→ Allows for reusing probability calculation results from intermediate nodes

Table 6: **Q4** Parsing time in seconds (**T2**). Comparison of the DeepStochLog with and without tabling (SLD vs SLG resolution).

Lengths	# Answers	No Tabling	Tabling
1	10	0.067	0.060
3	95	0.081	0.096
5	1066	3.78	0.95
7	10386	30.42	10.95
9	68298	1494.23	132.26
11	416517	timeout	1996.09

- Batched network calls:** Evaluate all the required neural network queries first
→ Very natural for neural networks to evaluate multiple instances at once using batching & less overhead in logic & neural network communication

Research questions

Q1: Does DeepStochLog reach state-of-the-art predictive performance on neural-symbolic tasks?

Q2: How does the inference time of DeepStochLog compare to other neural-symbolic frameworks and what is the role of tabling?

Q3: Can DeepStochLog handle larger-scale tasks?

Q4: Can DeepStochLog go beyond grammars and encode more general programs?

Mathematical expression outcome

T1: Summing MNIST numbers with pre-specified # digits



$53 + 84 = 137$

T2: Expressions with images representing operator or single digit number.



$7 + 4 + 2 + 3 = 19$

Table 1: The test accuracy (%) on the MNIST addition (**T1**).

Methods	Number of digits per number (N)			
	1	2	3	4
NeurASP	97.3 ± 0.3	93.9 ± 0.7	timeout	timeout
DeepProbLog	97.2 ± 0.5	95.2 ± 1.7	timeout	timeout
DeepStochLog	97.9 ± 0.1	96.4 ± 0.1	94.5 ± 1.1	92.7 ± 0.6

Table 2: The accuracy (%) on the HWF dataset (**T2**).

Method	Expression length			
	1	3	5	7
NGS	90.2 ± 1.6	85.7 ± 1.0	91.7 ± 1.3	20.4 ± 37.2
DeepProbLog	90.8 ± 1.3	85.6 ± 1.1	timeout	timeout
DeepStochLog	90.8 ± 1.0	86.3 ± 1.9	92.1 ± 1.4	94.8 ± 0.9

Performance comparison

Table 7: Inference times in milliseconds for DeepStochLog, DeepProbLog and NeurASP on task **T1** for variable number lengths.

Numbers Length	1	2	3	4
DeepStochLog	1.3 ± 0.9	2.3 ± 0.4	4.0 ± 0.4	5.7 ± 1.8
DeepProbLog	13.5 ± 3.0	36.0 ± 0.5	199.7 ± 14.0	timeout
NeurASP	9.2 ± 1.4	85.7 ± 22.6	158.2 ± 47.7	timeout

Classic grammars, but with MNIST images as terminals

T3: Well-formed brackets as input (without parse). Task: predict parse.



→ parse = () (() ())

T4: inputs are strings $a^k b^l c^m$ (or permutations of [a,b,c], and $(k+l+m) \% 3 = 0$).

Predict 1 if $k=l=m$,



Table 3: The parse accuracy (%) on the well-formed parentheses dataset (**T3**).

Method	Maximum expression length		
	10	14	18
DeepProbLog	100.0 ± 0.0	99.4 ± 0.5	99.2 ± 0.8
DeepStochLog	100.0 ± 0.0	100.0 ± 0.0	100.0 ± 0.0

Table 4: The accuracy (%) on the $a^n b^n c^n$ dataset (**T4**).

Method	Expression length		
	3-12	3-15	3-18
DeepProbLog	99.8 ± 0.3	timeout	timeout
DeepStochLog	99.4 ± 0.5	99.2 ± 0.4	98.8 ± 0.2

Natural way of expressing this grammar knowledge

```
brackets_dom(X) :- member(X, ["(", ")"]).
```

```
nn(bracket_nn, [X], Y, brackets_dom) :: bracket(Y) --> [X].
```

```
t(_) :: s --> s, s.
```

```
t(_) :: s --> bracket("(", s, bracket(")")).
```

```
t(_) :: s --> bracket("(", bracket(")")).
```


Citation networks

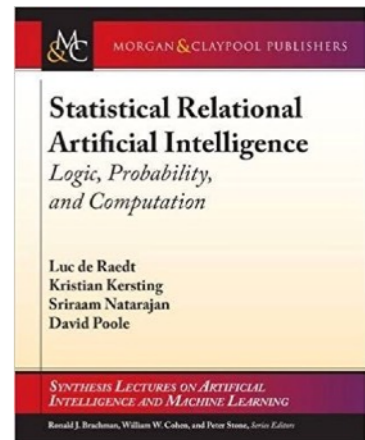
T5: Given scientific paper set with only few labels & citation network, find all labels

Table 5: **Q3** Accuracy (%) of the classification on the test nodes on task **T5**

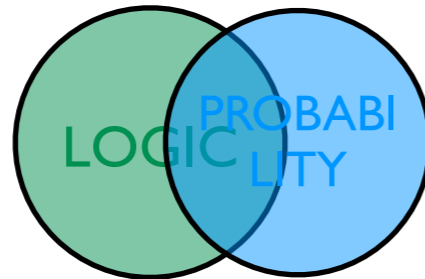
Method	Citeseer	Cora
ManiReg	60.1	59.5
SemiEmb	59.6	59.0
LP	45.3	68.0
DeepWalk	43.2	67.2
ICA	69.1	75.1
GCN	70.3	81.5
DeepProbLog	timeout	timeout
DeepStochLog	65.0	69.4

Conclusions

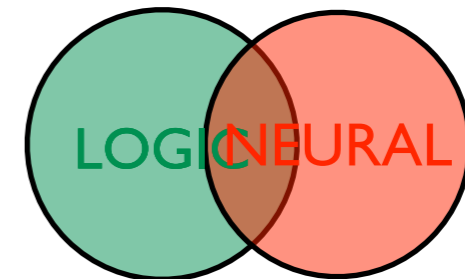
Key Message



FROM



TO



**StarAI and NeSy share similar problems
and thus similar solutions apply**

See also [De Raedt et al., IJCAI 20]



The Seven Dimensions

1. Proof vs Model based
2. Directed vs Undirected
3. Type of Logic
4. Symbols vs Subsymbols
5. Parameter vs Structure Learning
6. Semantics
7. Logic vs Probability vs Neural

Many questions to ask

- What properties should integrated representations satisfy ?
 - Should one representation take over ? (As in most approaches to NeSy — push the logic inside and forget about it afterwards)
 - Should one build a pipeline or an interface between the integrated representations ?
 - Should one have the originals as a special case ?
 - (yes we believe you should be able to do all what you can do with the original representations)

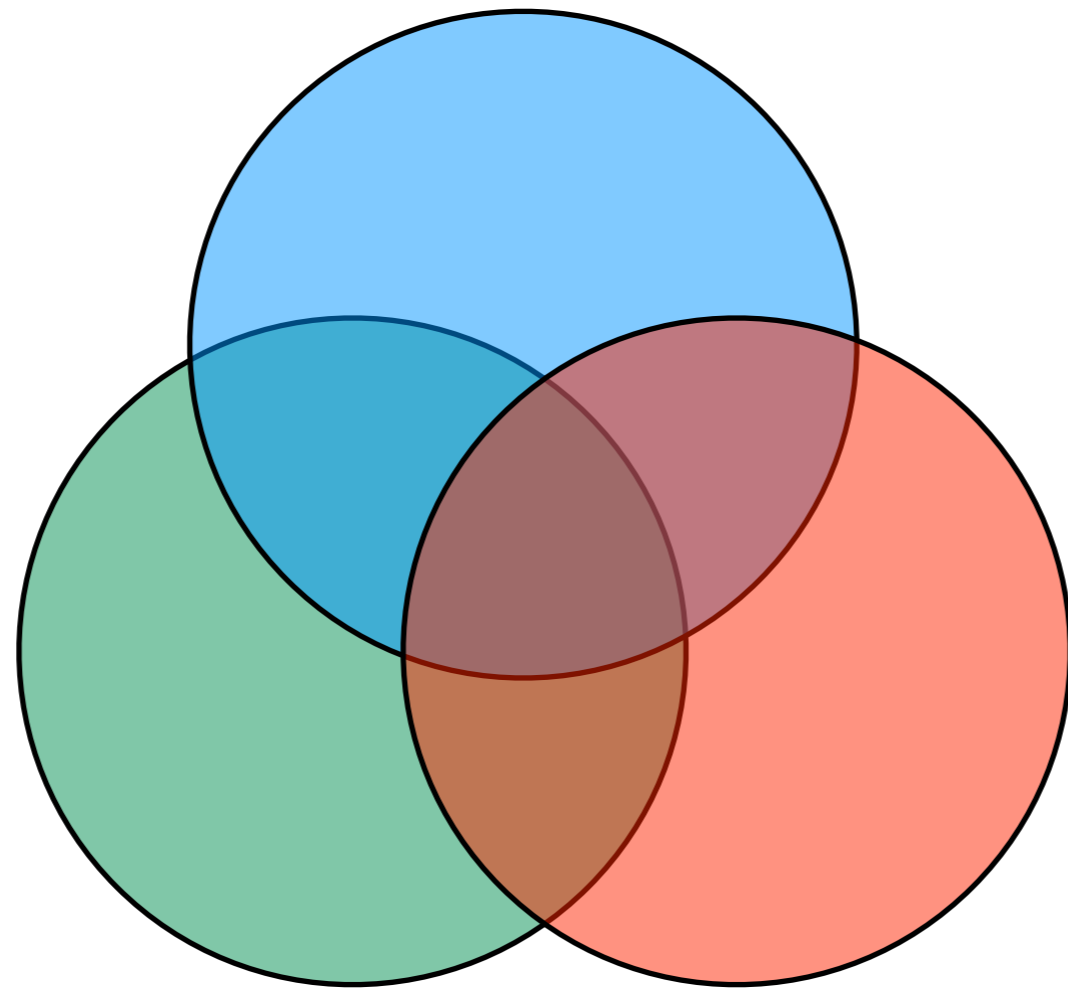
Many questions to ask

- Which learning and reasoning techniques apply ?
 - Can you still reason logically / probabilistically ?
 - Can you still apply standard learning methods (like gradient descent) ?
 - Is everything explainable / trustworthy ?
- How to evaluate integrated representations ?
 - $1 + 1 = 3$?
 - Can they do what the originals can do, and can they do more ?
 - Can they do something different ?



Challenges

- For NeSy,
 - scaling up
 - which models to use
 - real life applications
 - peculiarities of neural nets
 - logical inference can be expensive
- **This is an excellent area for starting researchers / PhDs**



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