

Interpreting Embedding Models of Knowledge Bases: Model Agnostic Approaches

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 \langle Patti , ? , Miami \rangle

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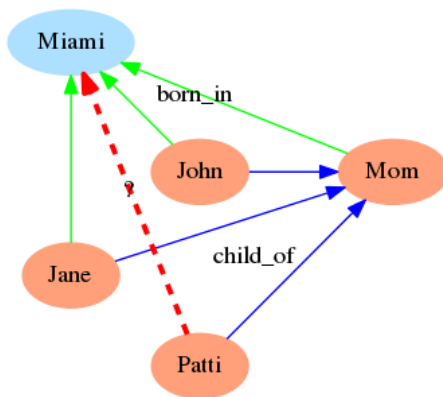
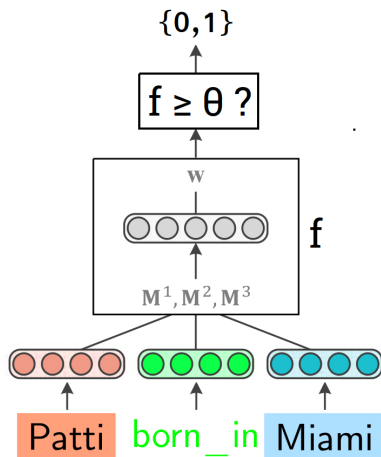


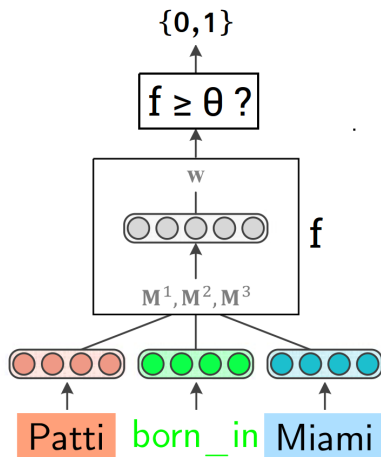
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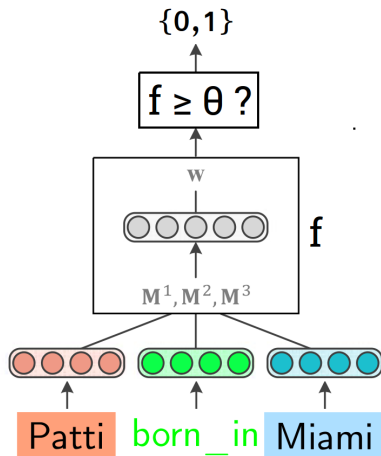
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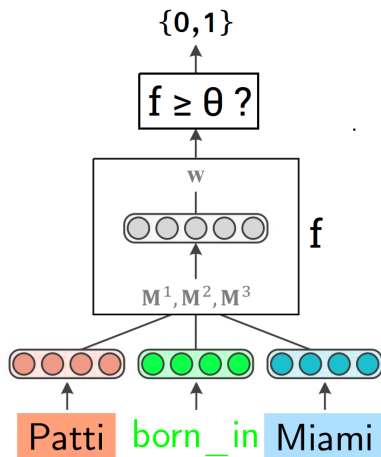


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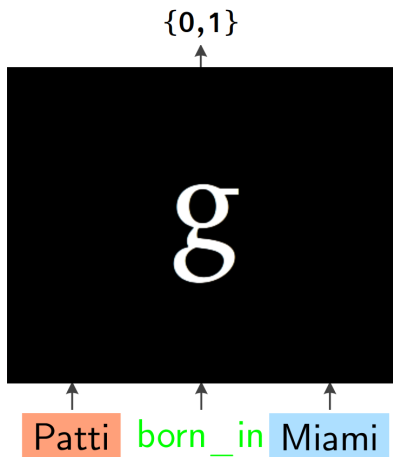
Embeddings turn a semantically rich input into numeric representations where each dimension bears little meaning.

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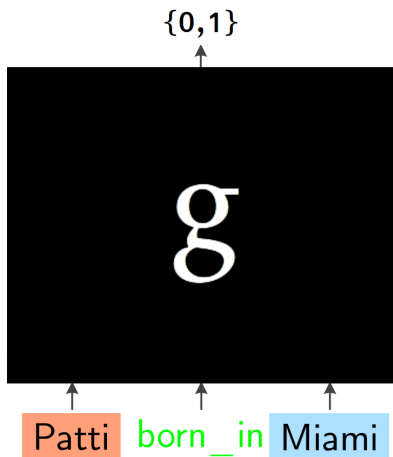
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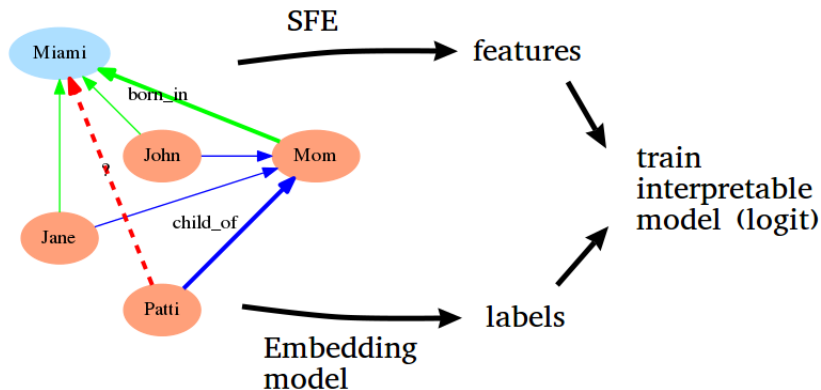
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Subgraph Feature Extraction

Subgraph Feature Extraction (SFE):

- ▶ Binary features;
- ▶ Each feature indicates the existence of a path π (a sequence of edges) between two entities;

Advantages:

- ▶ Features can be understood as bodies of weighted rules [2];
- ▶ Usually regarded as “easily interpretable”;
- ▶ Can be used with any classification model.

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The only feature with value 1 between Patti and Miami is the path $\pi = (\text{child_of}, \text{born_in})$.

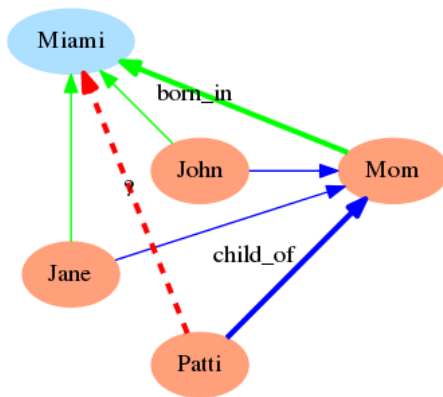


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More formally:

XKE-TRUE

- ▶ Construct a set of examples \mathbb{D} of arbitrary size n in which, for each triple $x_{h,r,t} = \langle e_h, r_r, e_t \rangle$,
 - ▶ Features $F(x_{h,r,t} \mid \mathcal{G})$ are extracted using SFE from a ground truth knowledge graph \mathcal{G} ;
 - ▶ The label corresponds to the embedding model's prediction.

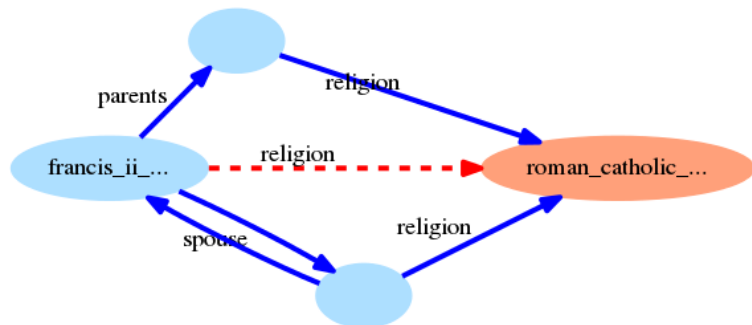
$$\mathbb{D} = \{(F(x_{h,r,t} \mid \mathcal{G}), g(x_{h,r,t}))\}^n$$

- ▶ Train an interpretable classifier (logit) using \mathbb{D} ;
- ▶ Draw explanations from the interpretable classifier.

Experiments & Results

| Dataset XKE variant | FB13 | | | | NELL186 | | | |
|--|--------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|--------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| | TRUE | PRED ₃ | PRED ₅ | PRED ₇ | TRUE | PRED ₃ | PRED ₅ | PRED ₇ |
| Embedding Accuracy | 82.55 | | | | 86.40 | | | |
| # Positive triples in \mathcal{G} (XKE-TRUE) or $\hat{\mathcal{G}}$ (XKE-PRED) | 322k | 830k | 1,668k | 2,658k | 36k | 196k | 524k | 987k |
| $\hat{\mathcal{G}}$ positive over predicted ratio | - | 0.286 | 0.207 | 0.168 | - | 0.604 | 0.581 | 0.558 |
| # Features per example | 2.91 | 0.91 | 1.34 | 1.79 | 70.66 | 159.54 | 249.86 | 337.41 |
| % Examples with # features > 0 | 54.73 | 33.83 | 37.88 | 41.81 | 50.01 | 39.39 | 45.57 | 51.87 |
| Explanation Mean # Rules (for explanations with size > 0) | 2.29 | 2.19 | 2.70 | 2.57 | 105.30 | 51.33 | 159.02 | 158.87 |
| Explanation Mean Rule Length | 3.09 | 3.00 | 2.87 | 2.82 | 3.86 | 3.78 | 3.89 | 3.89 |
| Fidelity | 73.26 | 66.65 | 74.36 | 69.99 | 86.55 | 77.00 | 74.94 | 75.64 |
| Fidelity (filtered for examples with # features > 0) | 80.52 | 84.30 | 85.74 | 83.28 | 87.02 | 85.00 | 83.07 | 84.47 |
| Fidelity (weighted by the # features) | 75.21 | 82.67 | 84.58 | 84.80 | 85.66 | 88.09 | 86.24 | 88.22 |
| Accuracy | 73.43 | 64.58 | 71.78 | 68.11 | 89.10 | 75.79 | 76.18 | 76.44 |
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| Accuracy (weighted by the # features) | 71.68 | 78.42 | 81.28 | 82.19 | 82.12 | 86.56 | 89.11 | 89.41 |
| F1 (Fidelity) | 76.66 | 50.11 | 71.14 | 61.13 | 83.19 | 61.41 | 68.07 | 68.03 |
| F1 (Accuracy) | 77.35 | 49.07 | 69.16 | 59.69 | 86.89 | 62.66 | 71.14 | 70.68 |

| ID | #1 (XKE-TRUE) |
|-----------|--|
| Triple | <code>< francis_ii_of_the_two_sicilies, religion, roman_catholic_church ></code> |
| Reason #1 | (2.456) parents,religion |
| Reason #2 | (1.946) spouse ⁻¹ ,religion |
| Reason #3 | (1.913) spouse,religion |
| Bias | (1.017) |
| XKE | 0.999346 |
| Embedding | 1 |



Conclusion

- ▶ We presented techniques to explain KB embeddings models, where features can be understood as weighted Horn clauses.
- ▶ Future work: fidelity is a point for improvement.
- ▶ We expect this initial work to serve as a basis of comparison and inspiration for the development of novel methods for explaining embedding models in KB completion.

Code available: <https://github.com/arthurcgusmao/xke>

Thank you!
Questions?

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