

# KnowSim: A Document Similarity Measure on Structured Heterogeneous Information Networks

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# Outline

## Motivation

The problem of current similarity measures.

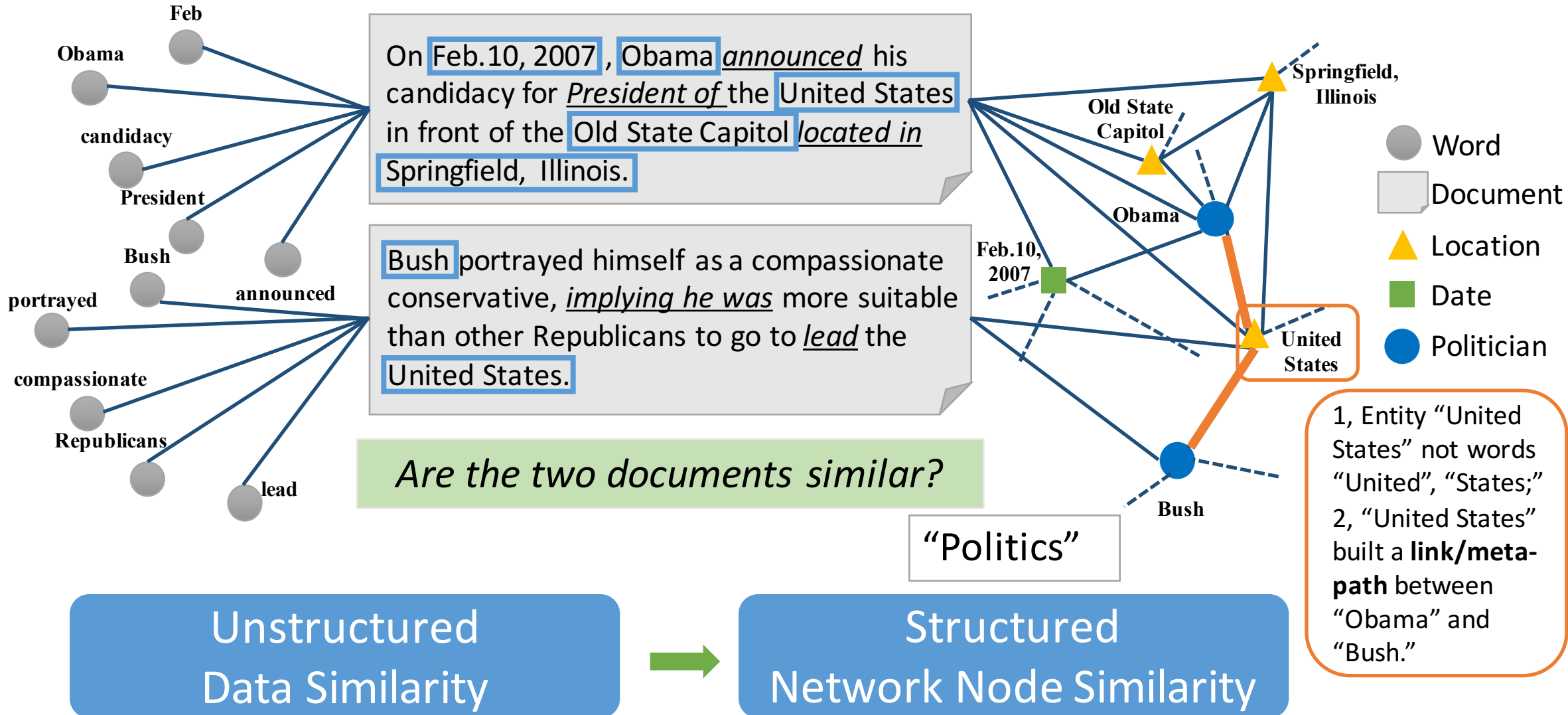
## KnowSim

Our way for computing similarity.

## Experiments

The results on benchmark datasets.

# Motivation



# Document-Based Heterogeneous Information Network Construction

- Machine learning with world knowledge framework [Wang et al. KDD'15]

Documents



World knowledge bases



World Knowledge Specification

General purpose problem

vs.

Domain specific problem

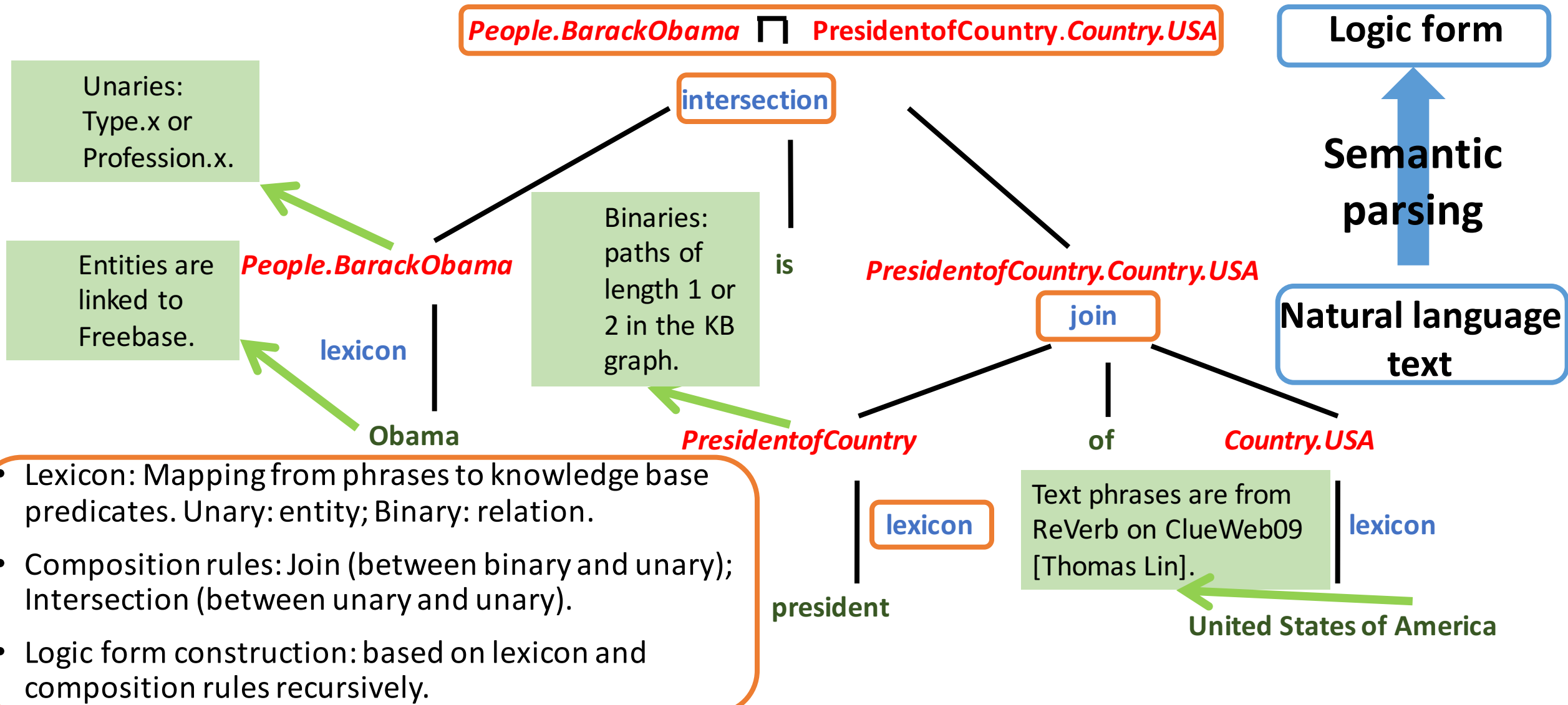
Specified World Knowledge Representation

Knowledge representation

vs.

Data representation

# World Knowledge Specification: Unsupervised Semantic Parsing for Documents



# World Knowledge Specification: Semantic Filtering

- Conceptualization based semantic filter (CBSF).

Assumption: correct semantic meaning can best fit the **context**.  
Different entities can be used to disambiguate each other.

apple



software company, brand, **fruit**

adobe



brand, software company



software company, brand

largest probability  
ones are selected

$P($

**type**

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**related entities**

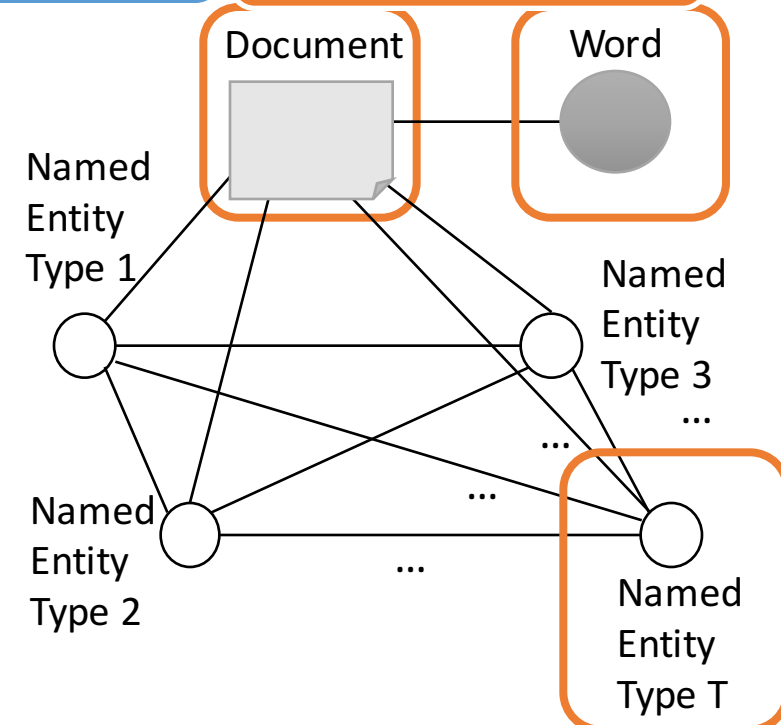
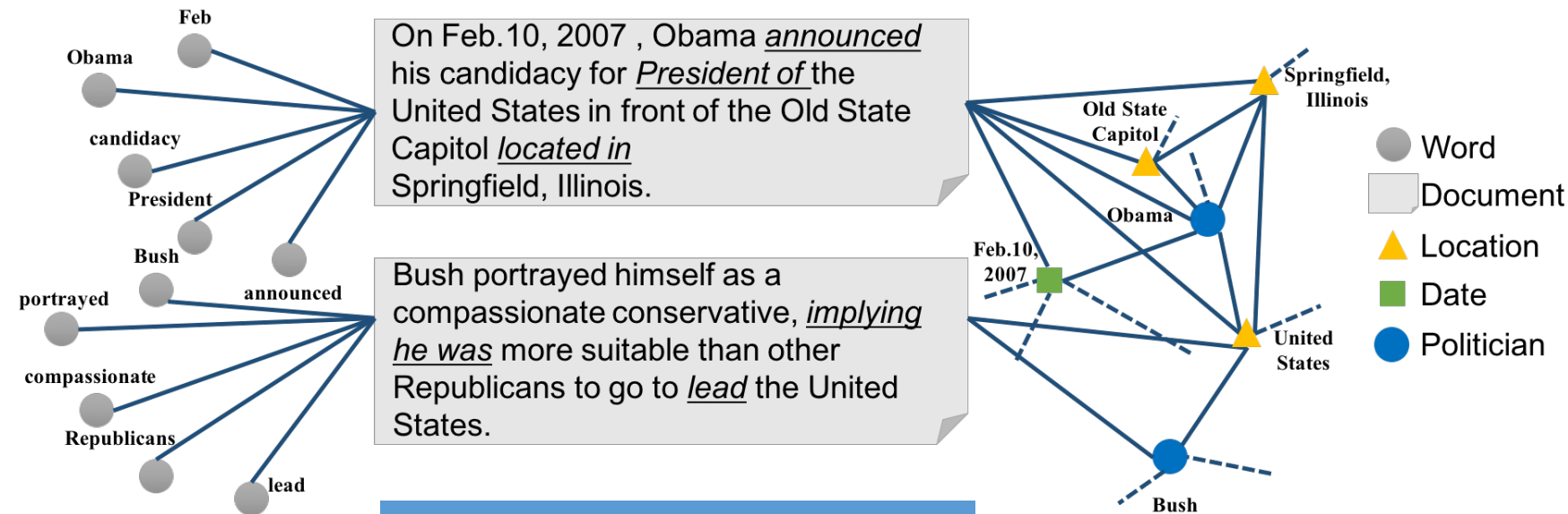
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A cluster of entities of  
type features

# Specified World Knowledge Representation: Heterogeneous Information Network (HIN)

HIN: Network with multiple object types and/or multiple link types.

Two entity types in document-based HIN.



A good way to model  
real world data!

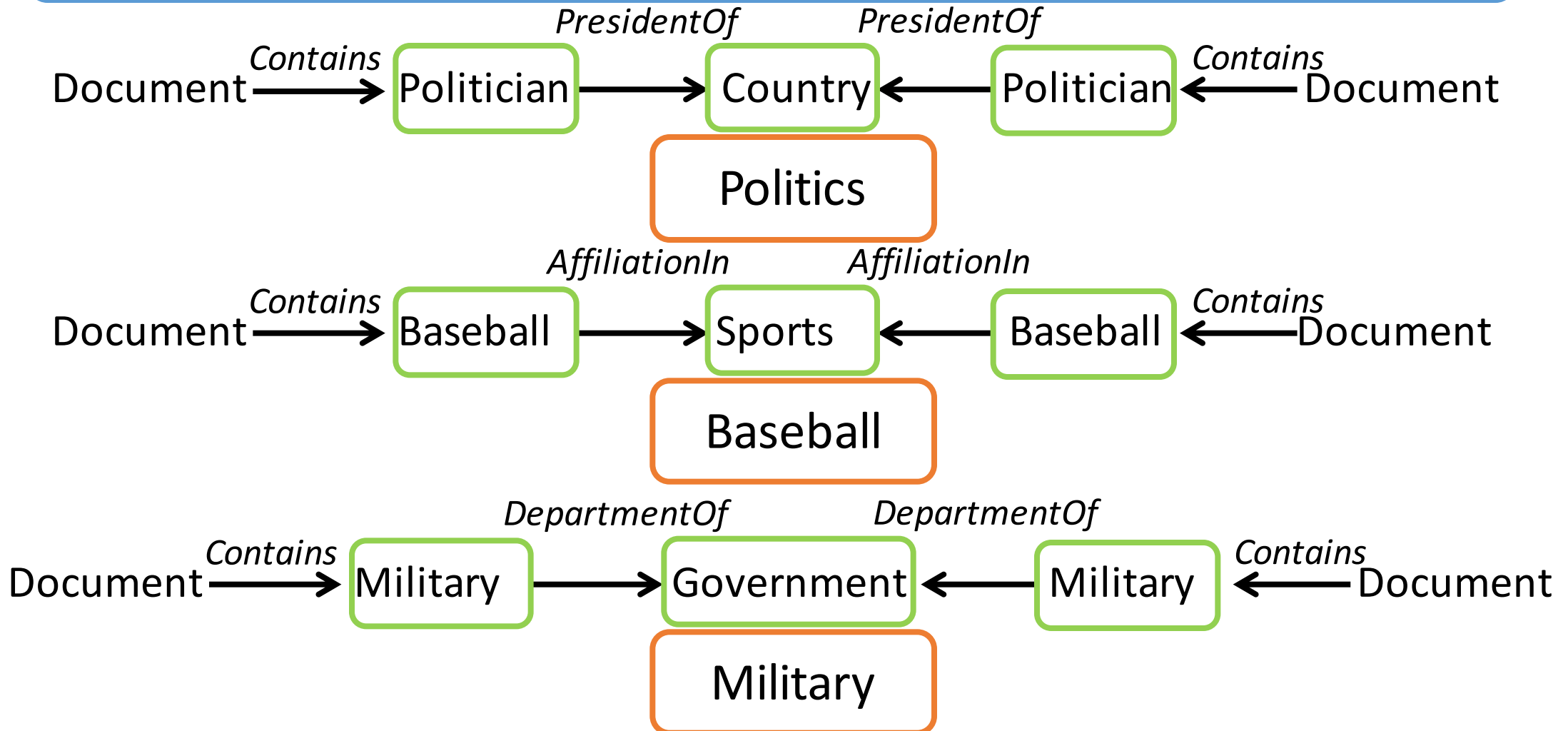
Represent the type of the  
name in text, e.g, person  
name.  
*NOT* entity type (*node type*  
in HIN).

Network schema: High-level description of a network.



# Meta-Path

Meta-path: A **path/link** in the network schema. [Sun et al., 2011]





# KnowSim

KnowSim: An unstructured data similarity measure defined on structured HIN.

**Semantic overlap:** the number of meta-paths between two documents.

$$KS(d_i, d_j) = \frac{2 \times \sum_m^{M'} w_m |\{p_{i \rightarrow j} \in P_m\}|}{\sum_m^{M'} w_m |\{p_{i \rightarrow i} \in P_m\}| + \sum_m^{M'} w_m |\{p_{j \rightarrow j} \in P_m\}|}$$

**Semantic broadness:** the number of total meta-paths between themselves.

- Intuition: The larger number of highly weighted meta-paths between two documents, the more similar these documents are, which is further normalized by the semantic broadness.
- KnowSim is computed in nearly linear time.

# Challenges

Number of meta-paths could be very large.

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The weight/importance of each meta-path is different when the domain is different.

**#1: How should we generate the large number of meta-paths at the same time?**

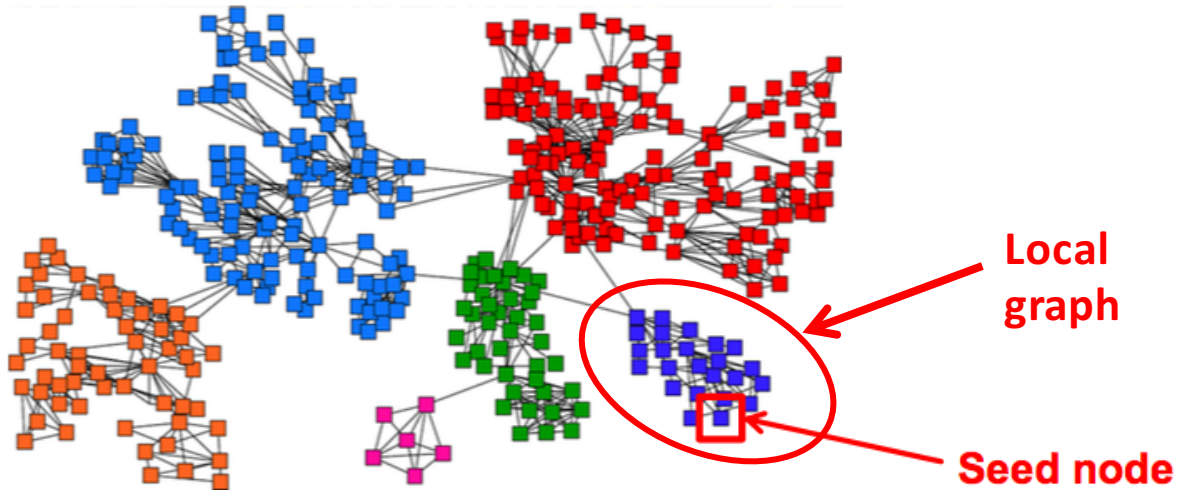
Previous studies only focus on single meta-path, enumeration over the network is OK. In real world, what will happen when thousands of meta-paths are needed?

**#2: How should we decide the weight of each meta-path?**

Previous studies treat them equally. In real world, different meta-path should contribute differently in various domains.

# Meta-Path Dependent Random Walk

Intuition: Discovering compact sub-graph based on seed document nodes.



- Compute Personalized PageRank around seed nodes.
- The random walk will get trapped inside the blue sub-graph.

- Algorithm outline
  - Run **PPR** (approximate connectivity to seed nodes) with teleport set =  $\{S\}$
  - Sort the nodes by the decreasing **PPR** score
  - **Sweep** over the nodes and find compact **sub-graph**.
  - Use the sub-graph instead of the whole graph to compute # of meta-paths between nodes.

# Meta-Path Selection

- Maximal Spanning Tree based Selection [Sahami, 1998]

- Intuition: meta-paths that only weakly influence the remaining domain variables are candidates for elimination (Select meta-paths with the largest dependencies with others).

$$\frac{\sum_{j \neq i}^M \cos(\mathbf{D}_{.,j_1}, \mathbf{D}_{.,j_2})}{M - 1}$$

- Laplacian Score based Selection [He, 2006]

- Intuition: Laplacian score represents the power of a meta-path in discriminating documents from different clusters.

$$L_j = \frac{\widetilde{\mathbf{D}}_{.,j}^T \mathbf{L} \mathbf{D}_{.,j}}{\widetilde{\mathbf{D}}_{.,j}^T \mathbf{\Lambda} \mathbf{D}_{.,j}}$$

# Experiments

Document datasets			
Name	#(Categories)	#(Leaf Categories)	#(Documents)
20Newsgroups (20NG)	6	20	20,000
GCAT (Government/Social)	1	16	60,608

GCAT is top category in RCV1 dataset containing manually labeled newswire stories from Reuter Ltd.

World knowledge bases				
Name	#(Entity Types)	#(Entity Instances)	#(Relation Types)	#(Relation Instances)
Freebase	1,500	40 millions	35,000	2 billions

publicly available knowledge base with entities and relations collaboratively collected by its community members.

The number is reported in [X. Dong et al. KDD'14], In our downloaded dump of Freebase, we found 79 domains, 2,232 types, and 6,635 properties.

# Text Similarity Results

Datasets	Similarity Measures	BOW	BOW+TOPIC	BOW+ENTITY	BOW+TOPIC+ENTITY
20NG	Cosine	0.2400	0.2713	0.2473	0.2768
	Jaccard	0.2352	0.2632	0.2369	0.2650
	Dice	0.2400	0.2712	0.2474	0.2767
KnowSim+UNI	0.2860	KnowSim+MST	0.2891	KnowSim+LAP	<b>0.2913 (+5.2%)</b>
GCAT	Cosine	0.3490	0.3639	0.2473	0.3128
	Jaccard	0.3313	0.3460	0.2319	0.2991
	Dice	0.3490	0.3638	0.2474	0.3156
KnowSim+UNI	0.3815	KnowSim+MST	0.3833	KnowSim+LAP	<b>0.4086 (+12.3%)</b>

**Finding #1: Our method KnowSim is better than traditional measures.**

KnowSim can better leverage world knowledge (entity, meta-path) rather than just treating them as flat features (e.g., BOW+ENTITY).

**Finding #2: More world knowledge will lead to better performance.**

Laplacian score based meta-path selection method (KnowSim+LAP) performs the best.

# Spectral Clustering Using KnowSim Matrix

Datasets	Similarity Measures	BOW	BOW+TOPIC	BOW+ENTITY	BOW+TOPIC+ENTITY
20NG	Cosine	0.3440	0.3461	0.3896	0.4247
	Jaccard	0.3547	0.3517	0.3850	0.4292
	Dice	0.3440	0.3457	0.3894	0.4248
KnowSim+UNI	0.4304	KnowSim+MST	0.4412	KnowSim+LAP	<b>0.4461 (+3.9%)</b>
GCAT	Cosine	0.3932	0.4352	0.2394	0.4106
	Jaccard	0.3887	0.4292	0.2497	0.4159
	Dice	0.3932	0.4355	0.2392	0.4112
KnowSim+UNI	0.4463	KnowSim+MST	0.4653	KnowSim+LAP	<b>0.4736(+8.8%)</b>

**Finding:** we can get the same results according to the clustering NMI.

KnowSim is a better similarity measure.

We can infer that KnowSim could have positive impact on other similarity-based applications, e.g., document classification and ranking.



# Conclusion

## Problem

Document similarity as network node similarity.

## Approach

World knowledge specification;  
KnowSim: unstructured data similarity defined on network.

## Results

Document similarity results and its application (clustering) show the power.

Thank You! 😊