

RelCrowd: Relational Crowdsourcing for Estimating Knowledge Graph Accuracy under Budget



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MOTIVATION FOR RELATIONAL CROWDSOURCING

- **Knowledge Graphs** (KGs) are multi-relational graphs connecting entities via relations.
- **Automatic construction** of KGs by reading the web and extracting facts, leads to **inaccurate graphs** with incorrect facts.

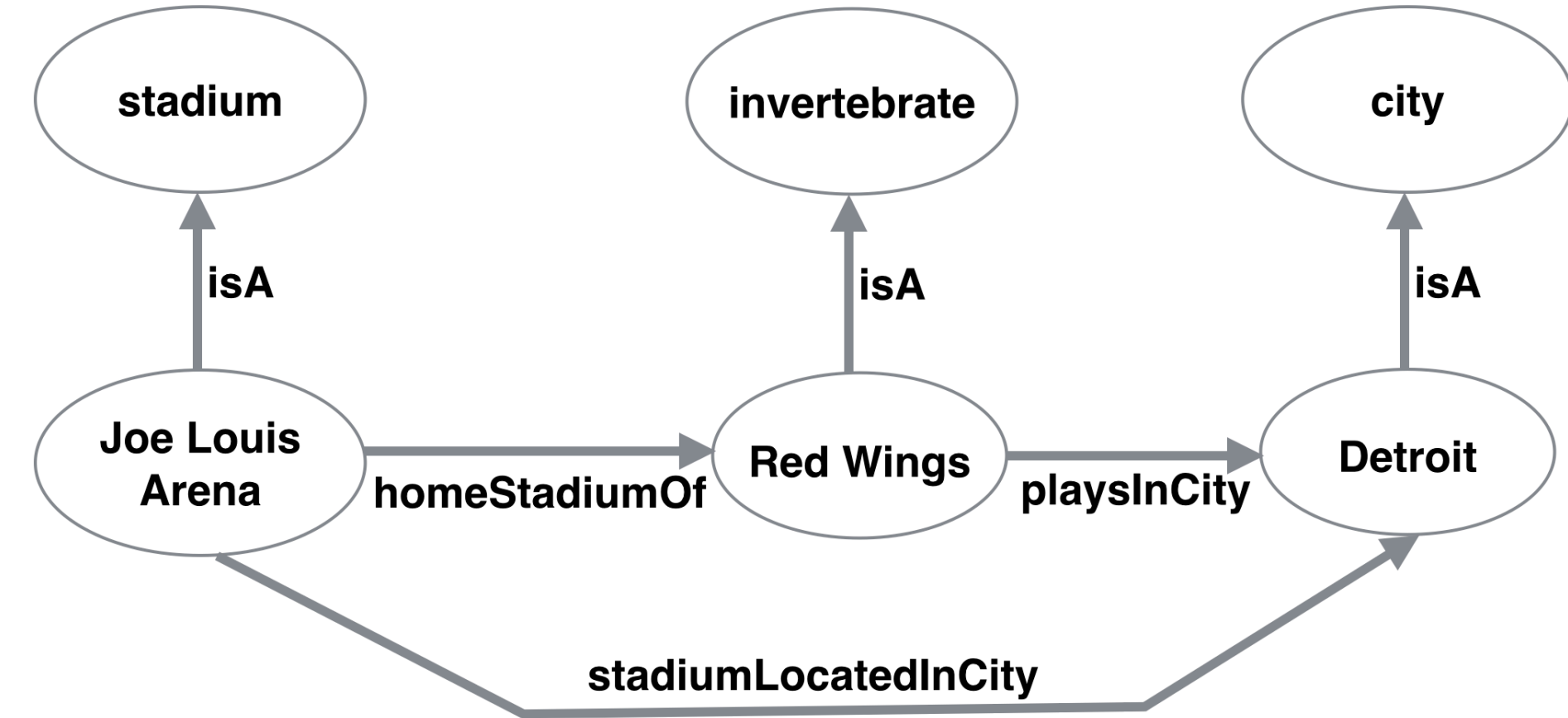
Importance of Accuracy

- Know strengths / weakness for targeted querying.
- Feedback helps in better construction.

How to estimate accuracy? Software Evaluation or Human Judgment

- Budget constraints of real money and human time.
- **Generic crowdsourcing** ignores **structural information**.

Idea: Exploit structural information to post fewer tasks and infer the rest.



5 correct
1 incorrect

Evaluate 2 facts

Coupling Constraints

- **Type consistency:** $\text{homeStadiumOf}(X,Y) \rightarrow \text{stadium}(X) \wedge \text{sportsTeam}(Y)$
- **Horn-Clause:** $\text{homeStadiumOf}(X,Y) \wedge \text{playsInCity}(Y,Z) \rightarrow \text{stadiumLocatedIn}(X,Z)$

PROBLEM FORMALIZATION AND APPROACH

KG with n beliefs $\mathcal{H} = \{h_1, \dots, h_n\}$ and budget \mathbb{B} of to evaluate it.

Coupling constraints $\mathcal{C} = \{(C_i, \theta_i)\}$ are relationship among tasks.

Inference algorithm uses constraints over already evaluated tasks $\mathcal{Q} \subseteq \mathcal{H}$ and deduces labels for **inferable set** $\mathcal{I}(G, \mathcal{Q}) \subseteq \mathcal{H}$.

$\Phi(\mathcal{Q})$ calculates the **average accuracy** of evaluated tasks.

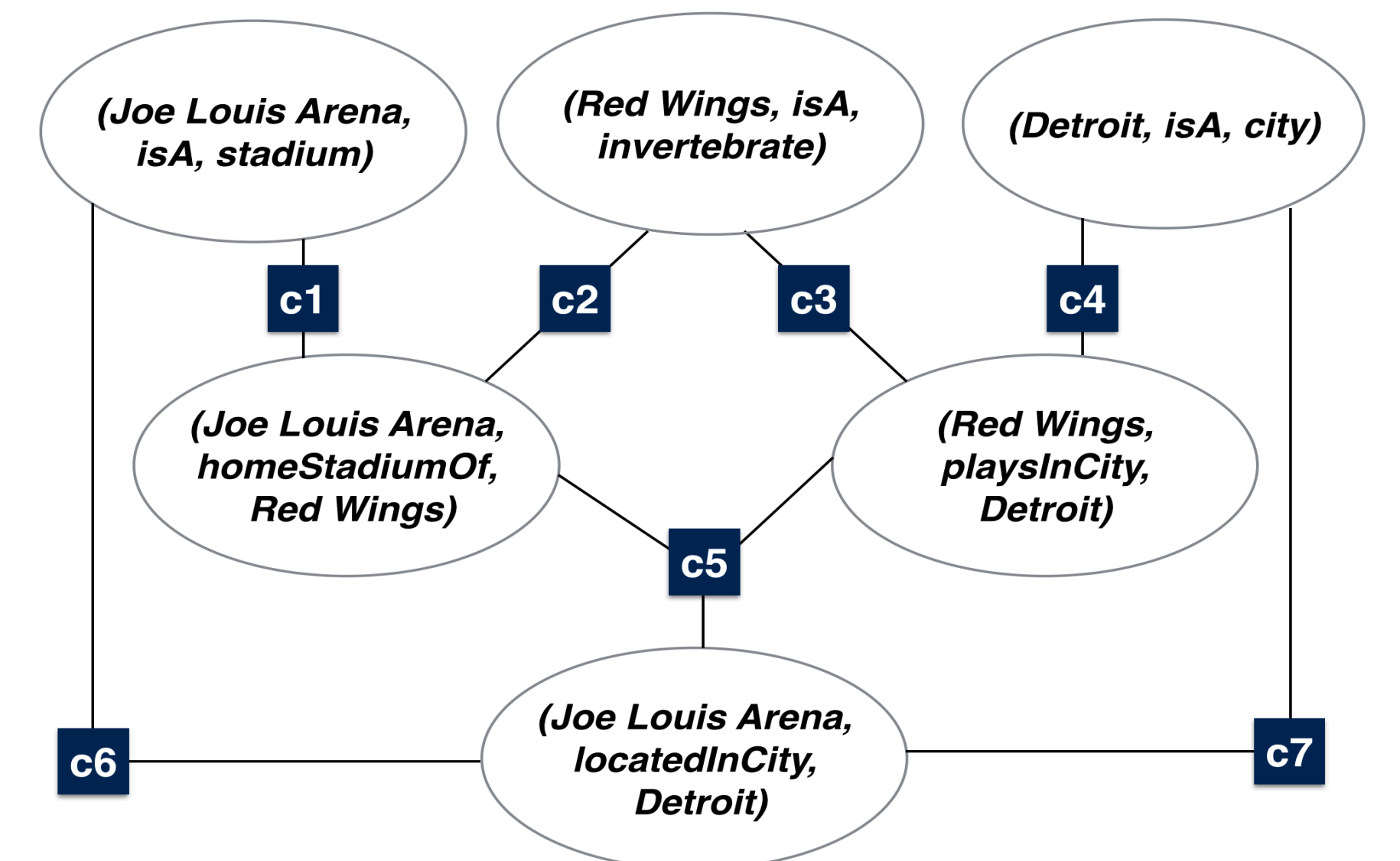
Maximize the size of inferable set, taking care of the budget.

$$\arg \max_{\mathcal{Q} \subseteq \mathcal{H}} |\mathcal{I}(G, \mathcal{Q})|, \quad \text{s.t.} \quad \sum_{h \in \mathcal{Q}} c(h) \leq \mathbb{B} \quad (1)$$

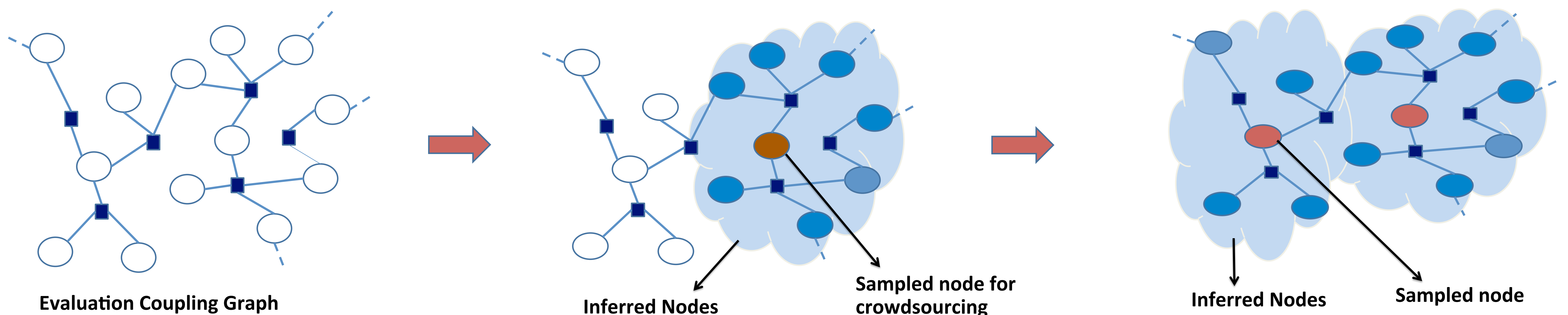
RelCrowd optimization is **submodular** and subset selection is **NP-Hard**.

Evaluation Coupling Graph (ECG)

- Bipartite **factor graph**
- Nodes for each constraint and task
- Edges between constraints and participating tasks



OVERVIEW OF CONTROL AND INFERENCE MECHANISM



METHOD

Inference Mechanism

Probabilistic Soft Logic (PSL): Distribution over labels given by

$$\mathbb{P}\left(l(\mathcal{I}(G, \mathcal{Q}))\right) = \frac{1}{Z} \exp\left[-\sum_{j=1}^{|\mathcal{C}|} \theta_j \psi_j(\mathcal{I}(G, \mathcal{Q}))\right]$$

Labels which satisfy more constraints are more probable.

Control Mechanism

Algorithm 1 KGEval: KG-Evaluation

- 1: $G = \text{BUILDECG}(\mathcal{H}, \mathcal{C})$
 - 2: $B_r = \mathbb{B}$
 - 3: $\mathcal{Q}_0 = \mathcal{S}$
 - 4: **while** ($B_r > 0$) **do**
 - 5: $h^* = \arg \max_{h \in \mathcal{H}} |\mathcal{I}(G, \mathcal{Q}_{t-1} \cup \{h\})|$
 - 6: $\text{CROWDEVALUATE}(h^*)$
 - 7: $\mathcal{Q}_t = \mathcal{I}(G, \mathcal{Q}_{t-1} \cup \{h^*\})$
 - 8: $B_r = B_r - c(h^*)$
 - 9: $\mathcal{Q} = \mathcal{Q} \cup \mathcal{Q}_t$
 - 10: **if** $\mathcal{Q} \equiv \mathcal{H}$ **then**
 - 11: EXIT
 - 12: **end if**
 - 13: **end while**
 - 14: **return** $\frac{1}{|\mathcal{Q}|} \sum_{h \in \mathcal{Q}} l(h)$
- \mathcal{H} : set of tasks
 \mathcal{C} : coupling constraints
 G : ECG
 \mathbb{B} : assigned budget
 B_r : residual budget
 \mathcal{Q} : evaluated tasks
 \mathcal{S} : seed set
 $c(h)$: cost function
 Φ : score aggregator

KEY RESULTS

Datasets: NELLsports and Yago2Sample KGs

Crowdsource from Amazon Mechanical Turk

Baselines: Random, Max-Degree, Independent Cascade, and RelCrowd

NELL sports dataset (\mathcal{H}_N)			
Method	$1 - \Delta \text{Acc}_{\text{Micro}}$	$1 - \Delta \text{Acc}_{\text{Macro}}$	# Queries
Random	0.987	0.9516	623
Max-Degree	0.971	0.9239	1370
Ind-Cascade	0.992	0.9026	232
RelCrowd	0.995	0.9641	140

- RelCrowd estimates are **closest to gold** accuracy and utilize **minimum budget**.
- **Rate of coverage** over Knowledge graph is fastest.

Effectiveness of Coupling Constraints:

More relational Couplings Constraints \rightarrow Better performance.

Constraint Set	Iterations	$1 - \Delta \text{Acc}_{\text{Micro}}$
\mathcal{C}	87	0.993
$\mathcal{C} - \mathcal{C}_{b3}$	209	0.991
$\mathcal{C} - \mathcal{C}_{b3} - \mathcal{C}_{b2}$	285	0.989

Future directions: Minimize **regret** incurred in terms of budget spent.

Model **aggregation methods** for noisier crowd responses.