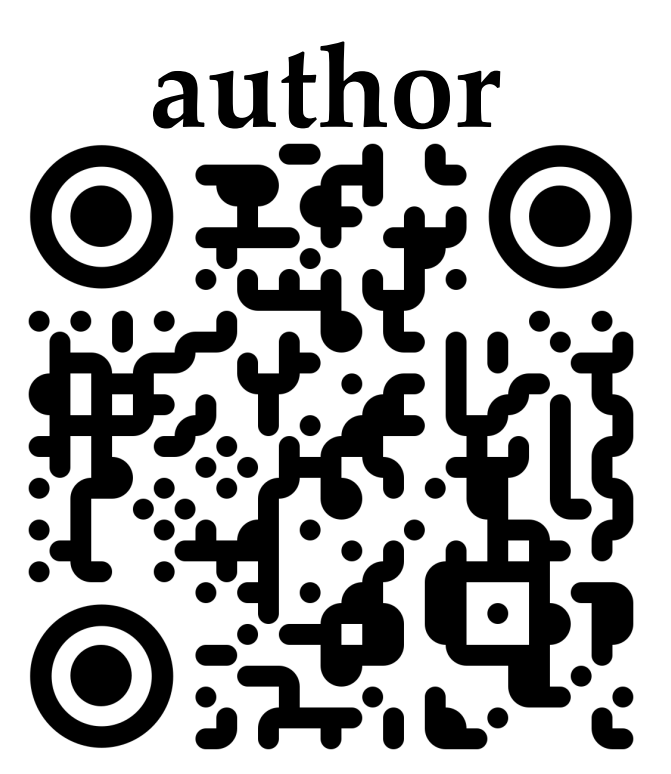


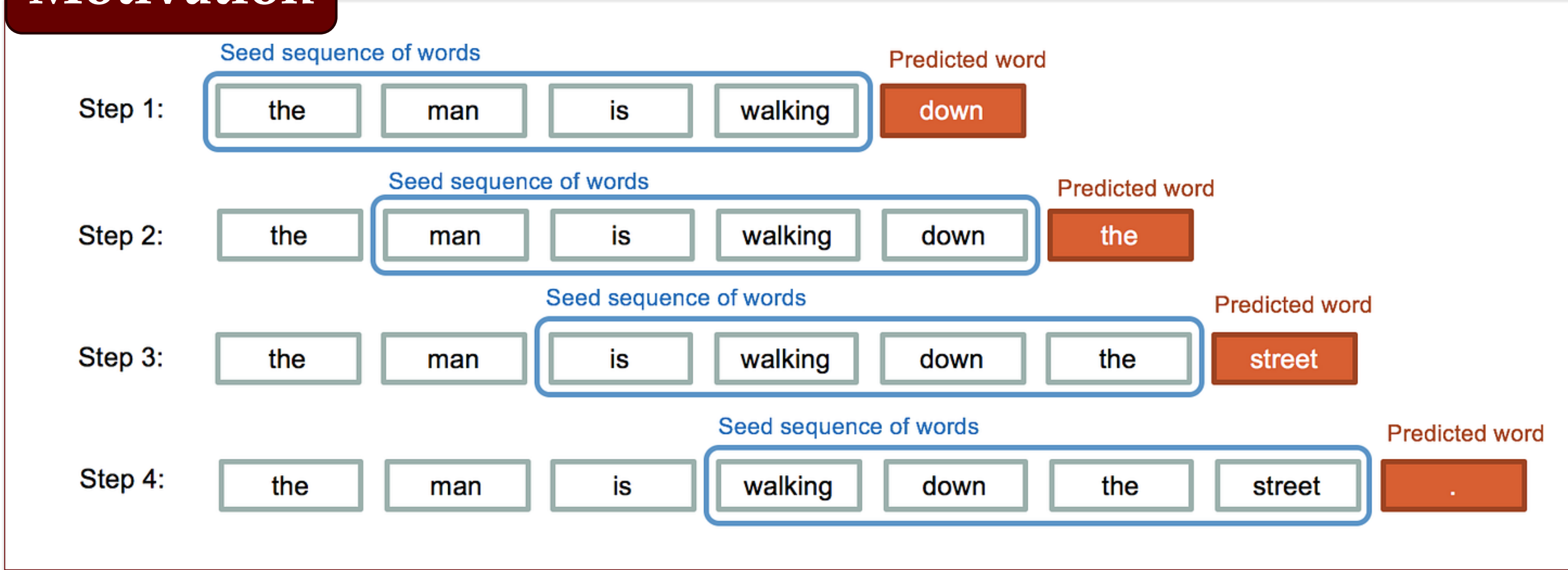
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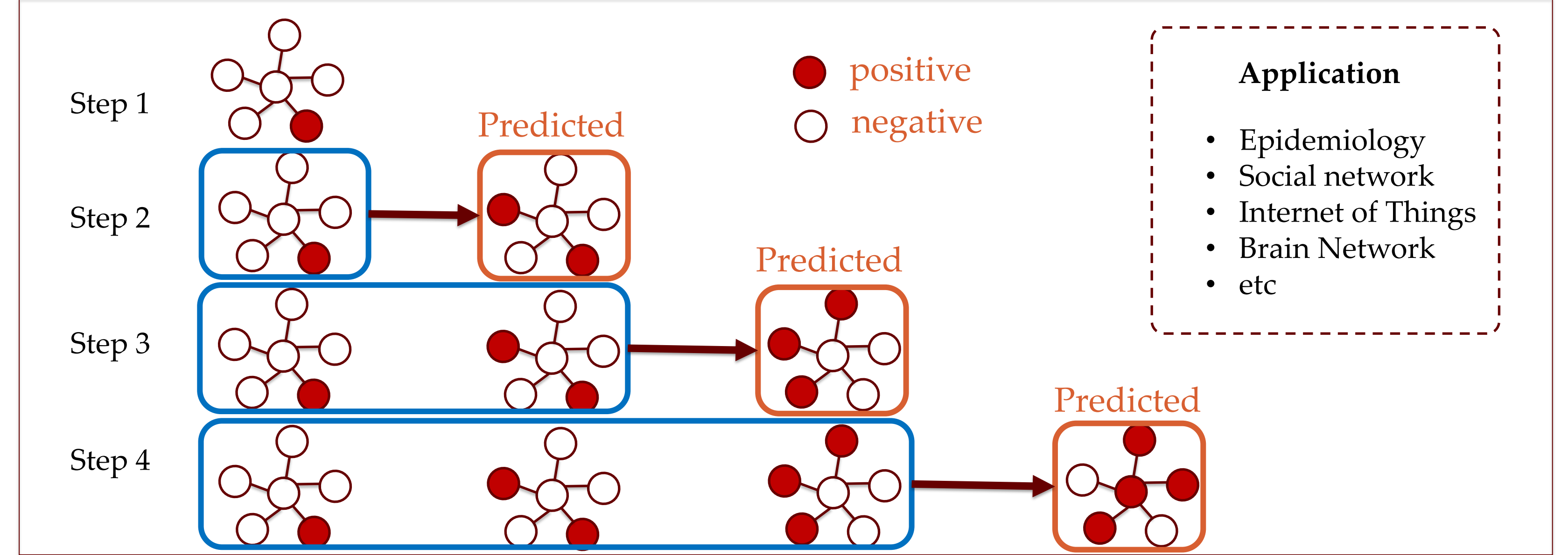
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Motivation



LLM Dynamic Graph



Question

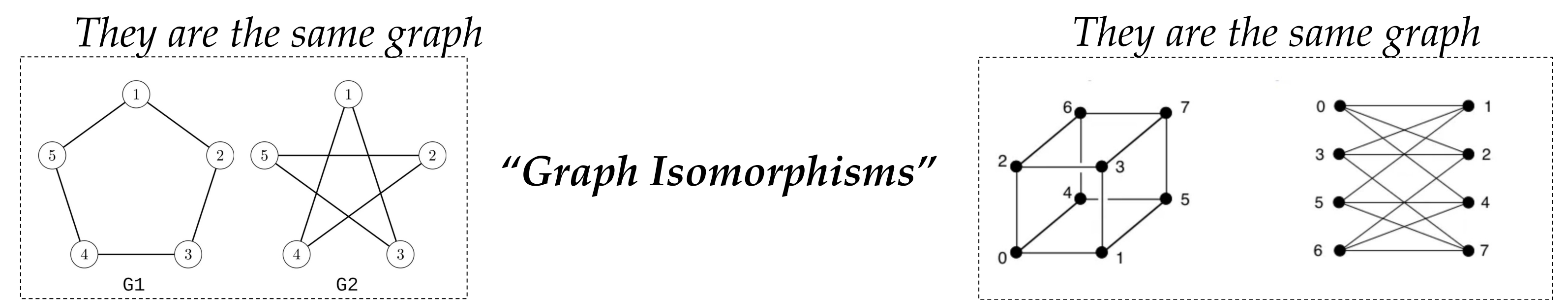
Optimal option for graph-text interaction?

Natural Input Formats

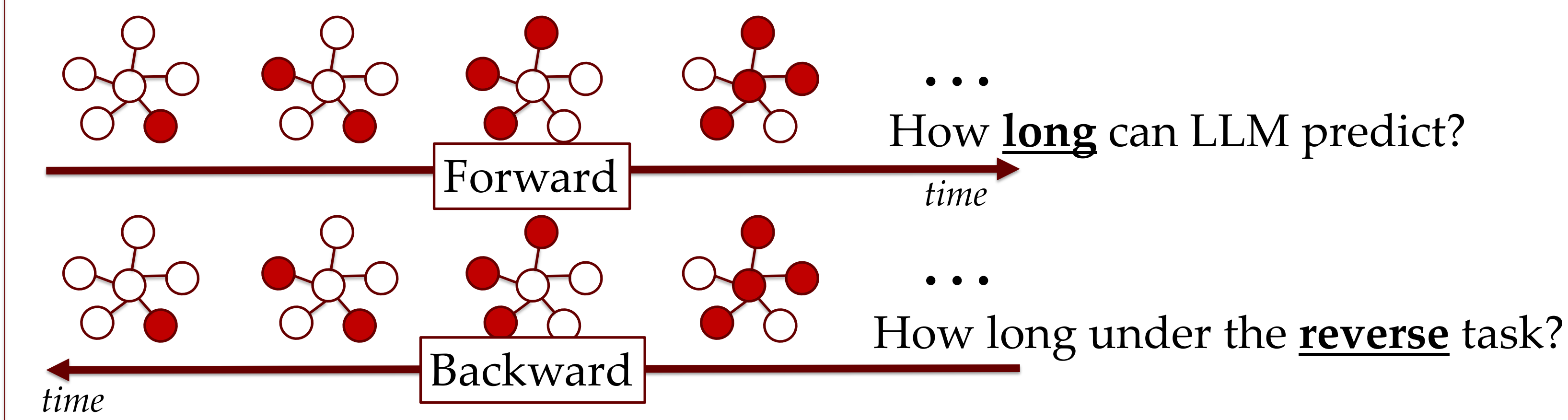
- Visual?** E.g., take each snapshot of dynamic graph as an image
- Textual?** E.g., "I have a Renyi graph with size of 30 nodes, the first node is activated..."

Unnatural Input (Professional setting) Adjacency Matrix/List? Graph Markup Language? Code LLM

Graph is quite different Images: **no style**, only **structure** with **attributes**



Task: Dynamic Graph



Direction and step size combination

- FW1:** Step differences is 1 and forward prediction. including step 1→2, 2→3 ...
- BW2:** Step differences is 2 and backward prediction. including step 3→1, 5→3 ...
- FW1_2:** mixed with FW1 and FW2

Data and Metrics

Graph: Watts-Strogatz small-world graphs Diffusion: SIR

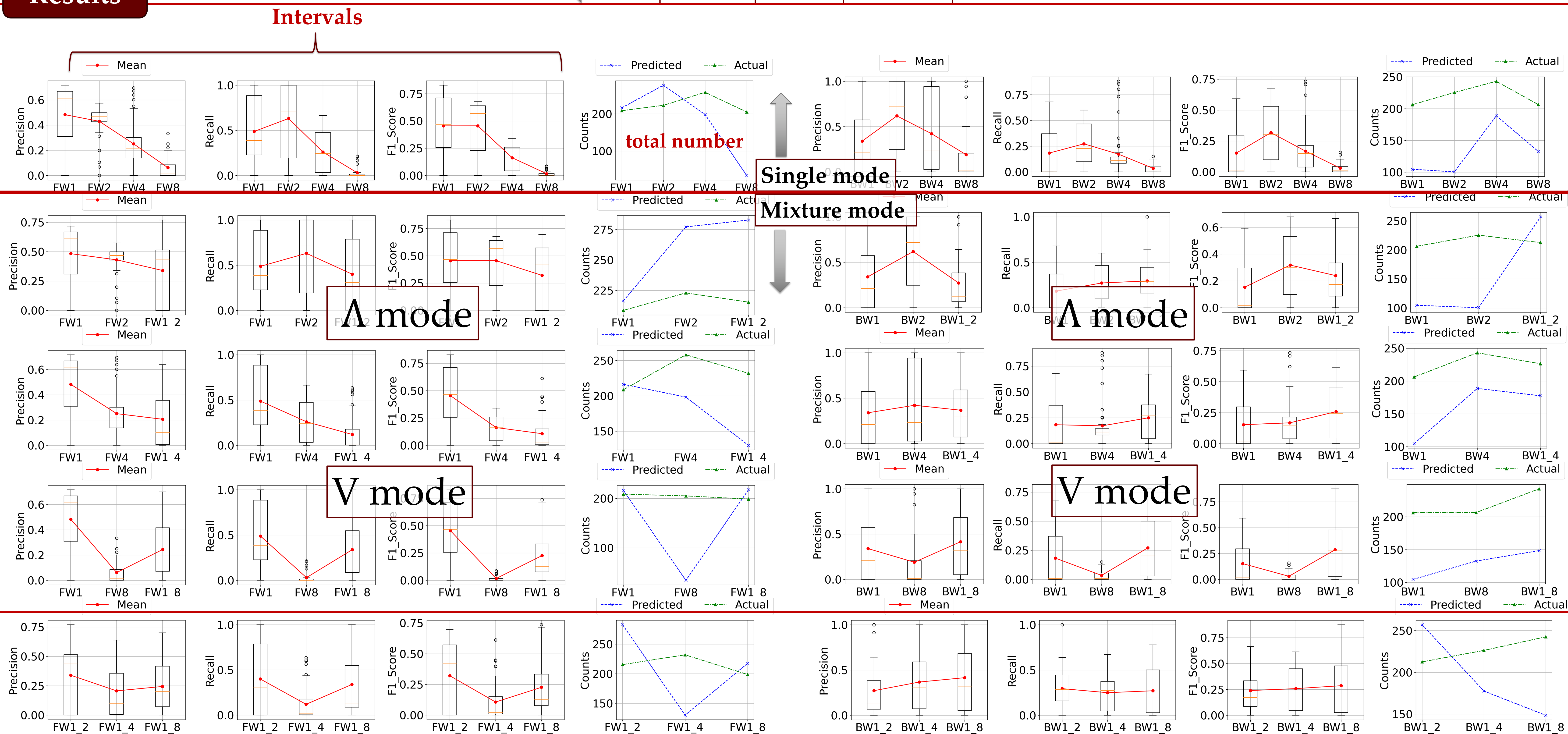
Implementation: <https://github.com/XGraph-Team/XFlow>

LLM: ChatGPT-4, GUI version, 10 results for each test

Metrics: count the distance to real results; count the total number

Flow Tasks	Shared Input	Variable Input	Output
Forward	graph G , diffusion model D , observation intervals I	source nodes Ω	target nodes ω
Backward	graph G , diffusion model D , observation intervals I	target nodes ω	source nodes Ω

Results



- Long dependency is still limited with text input, even with short intervals.
- Single-mode performance drops down significantly as the interval increases.
- Mixture-model: from mixing interval 1 with 2/4/8: from V to flat and then to Λ

Future Plan

- Text mode: GPT API; Other LLMs;
- Professional mode: graph format & Customized Transformer