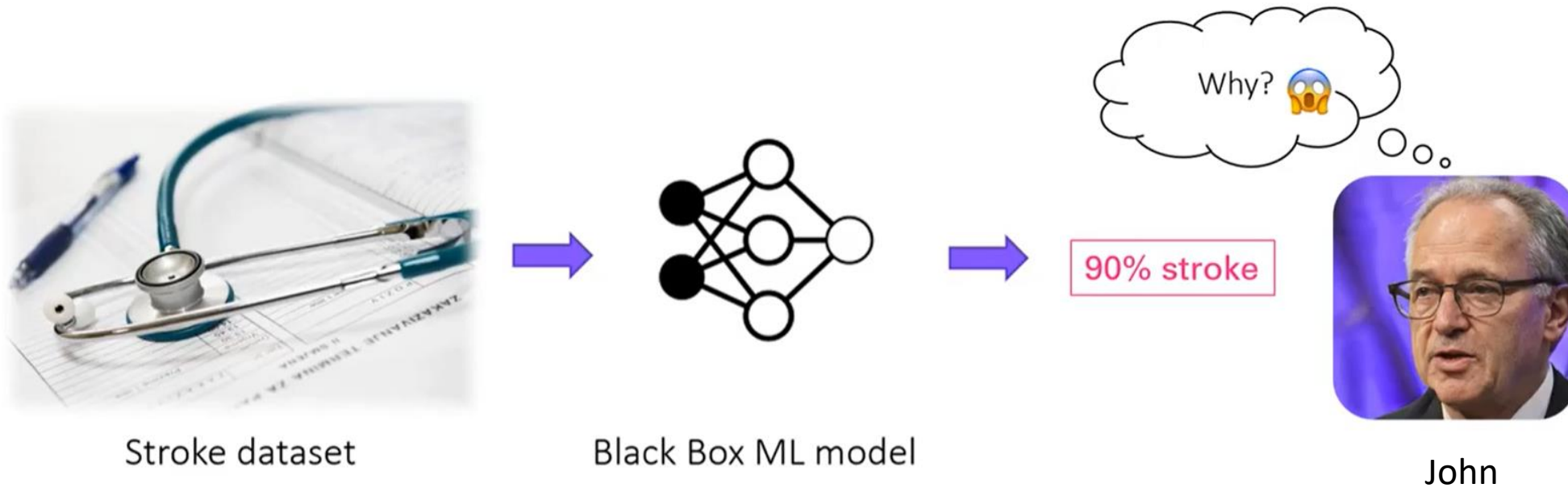


Interpretable AI & GNN Explainability

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Why care about Interpretability?



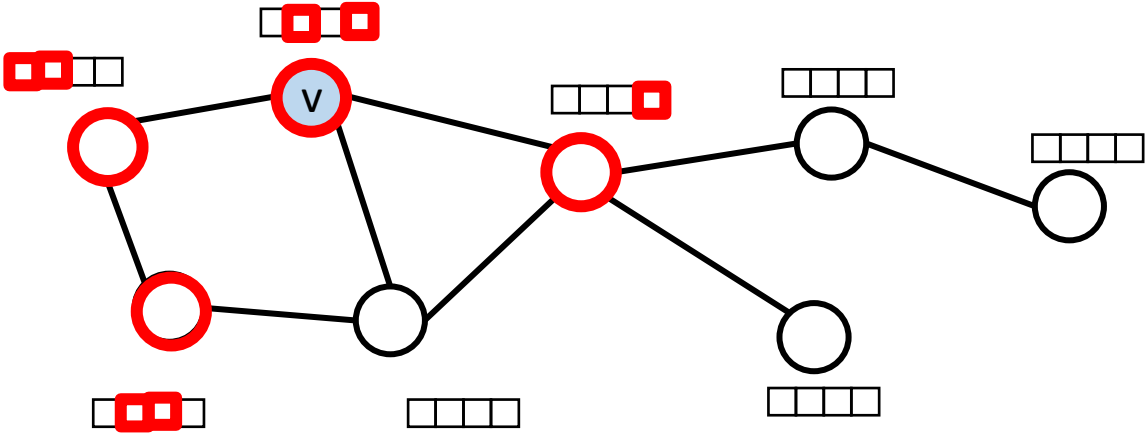
It's not always about predictive performance!

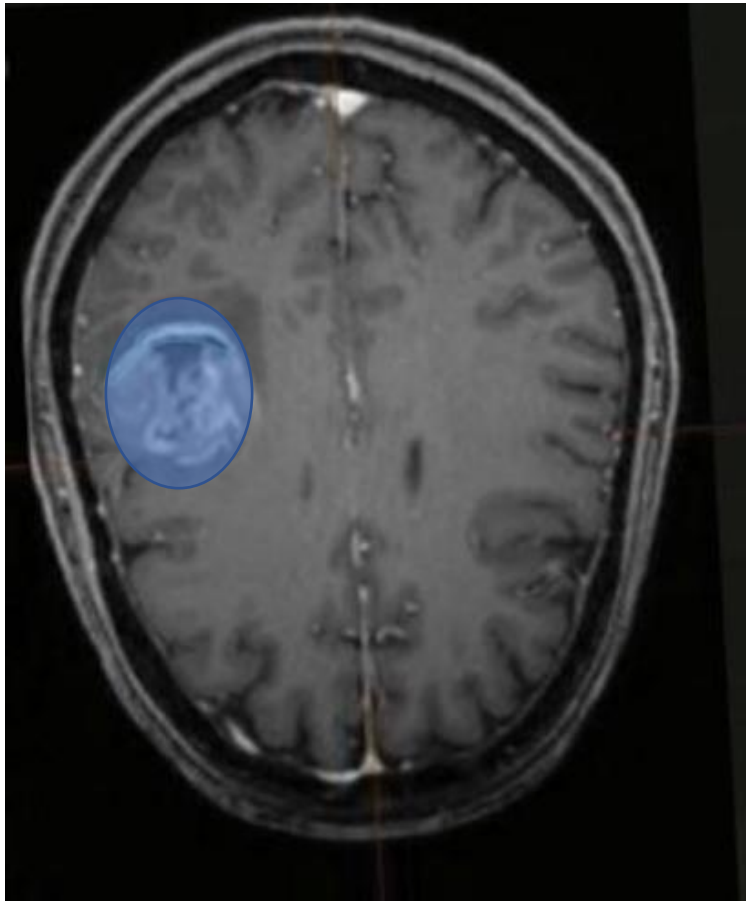
What we want:

id	gender	age	hypertension	heart_disease	ever_married	work_type	Residence_type	avg_glucose_level	bmi	smoking_status	stroke
9046	Male	67.0	0	1	Yes	Private	Urban	228.69	36.6	formerly smoked	1

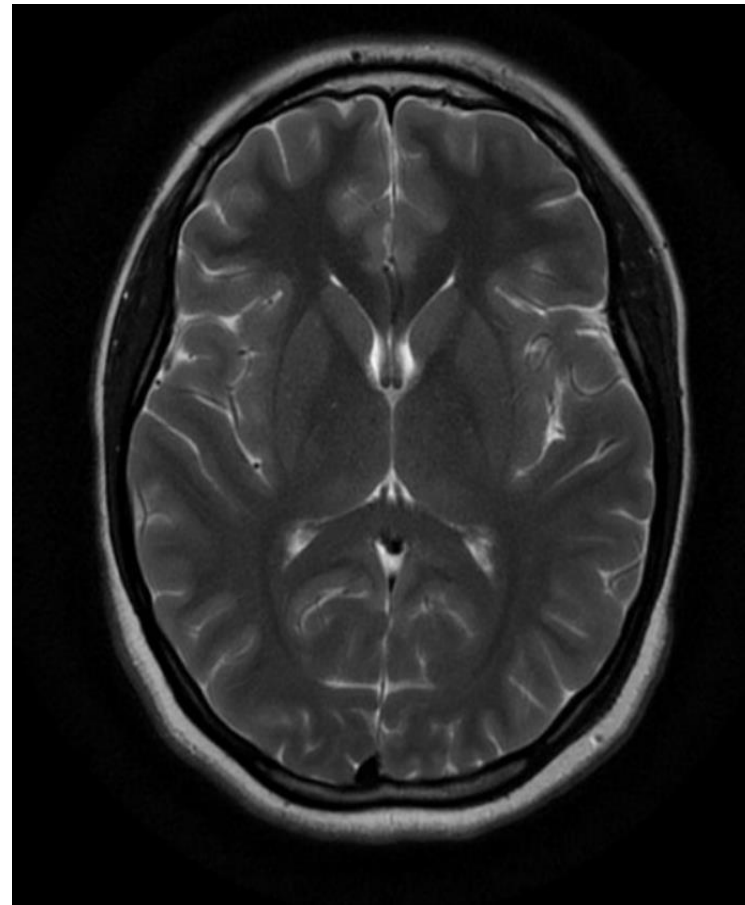
John's medical data

Today: Explaining = identifying important features!





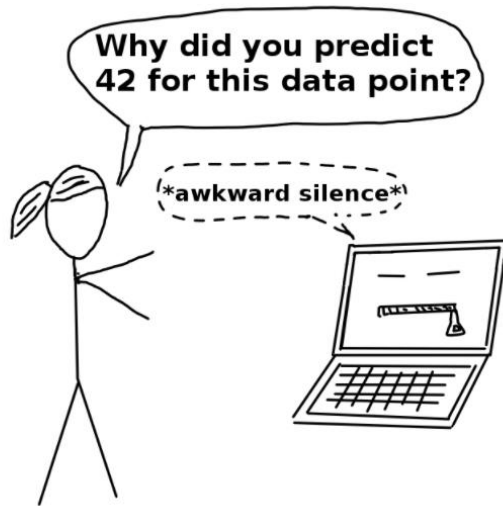
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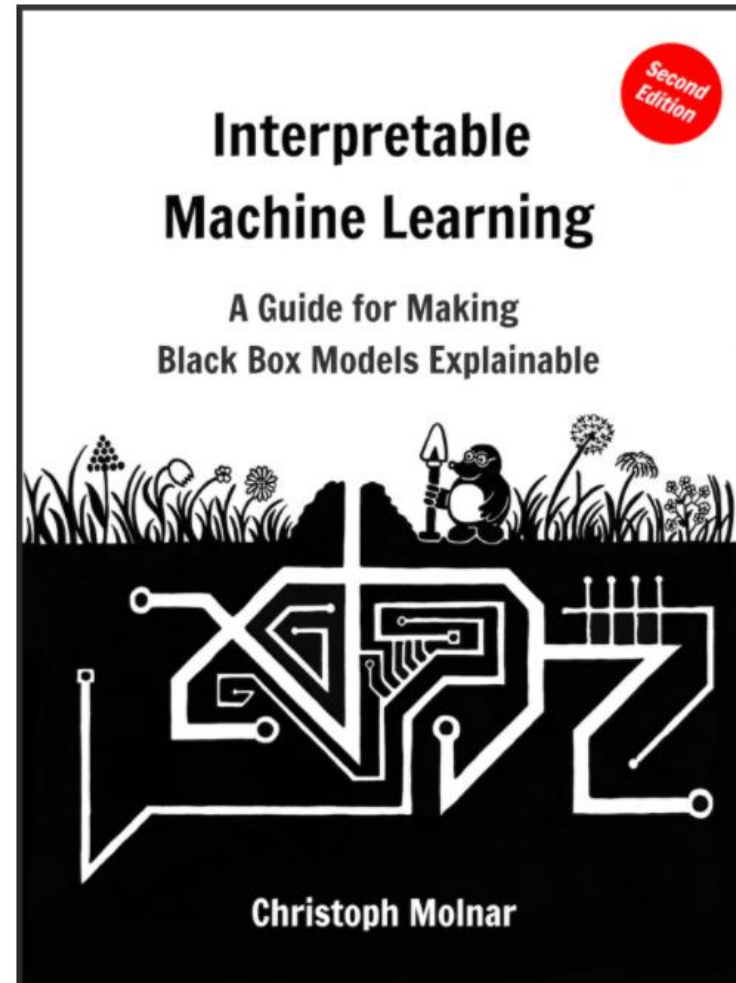
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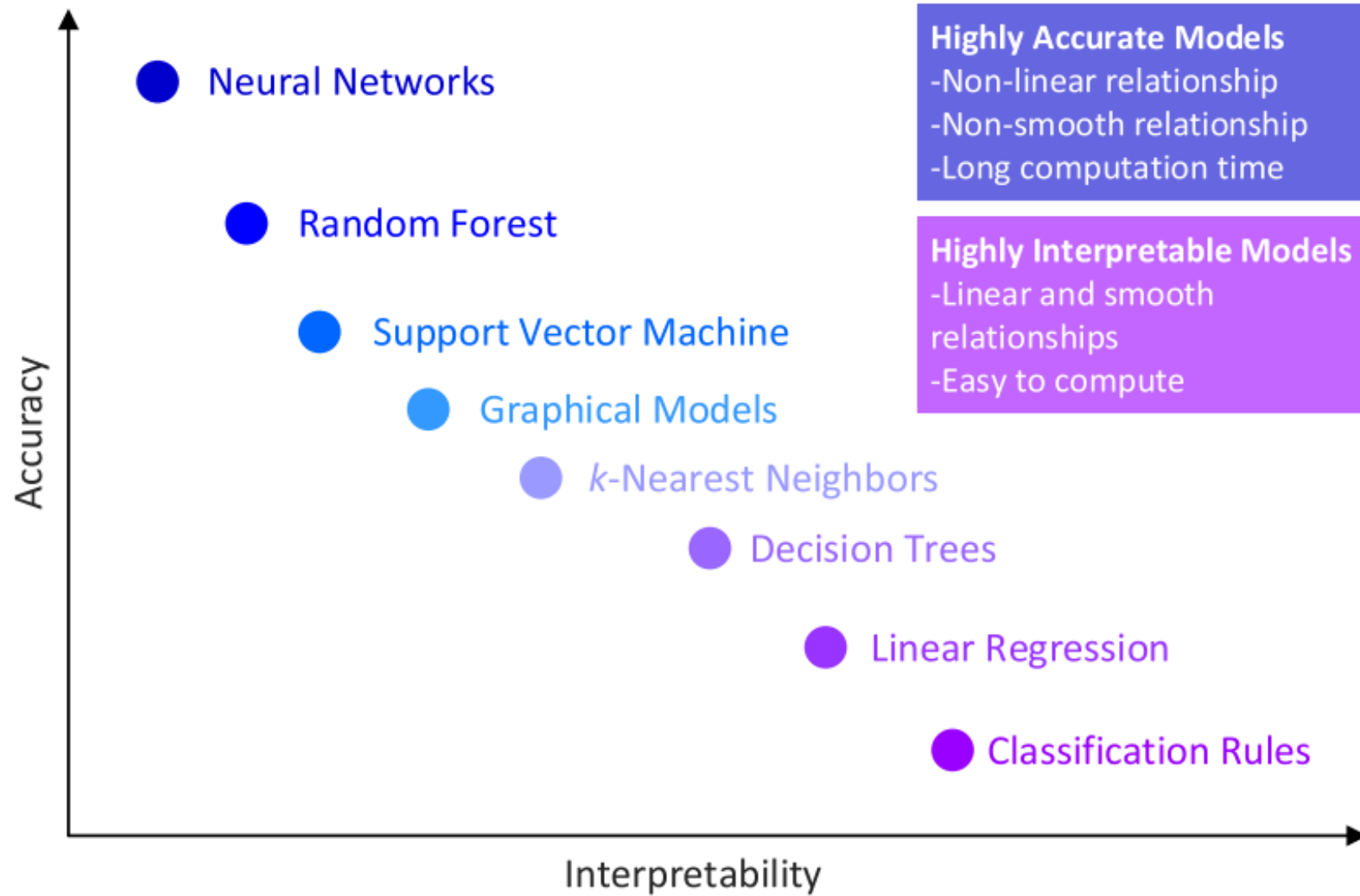
- Requirement by the end-user
- Model debugging
- Safety & Trust



Interpretable ML: Basics



<https://christophm.github.io/interpretable-ml-book/>



Interpretable ML: Basic Types

- Intrinsic interpretability vs. Post-hoc explanation methods
- Global vs. Local Interpretability
- Model-specific vs. Model-agnostic

Ex. 1: Permutation Feature Importance

	Date	Team	Opponent	Goal Scored	Possession %	Ball %	Attempts	On-Target	...	Man of the Match
0	14-06-2018	Russia	Saudi Arabia	5	40	13	7	...	Yes	
1	14-06-2018	Saudi Arabia	Russia	0	60	6	0	...	No	
2	15-06-2018	Egypt	Uruguay	0	43	8	3	...	No	
3	15-06-2018	Uruguay	Egypt	1	57	14	4	...	Yes	
4	15-06-2018	Morocco	Iran	0	64	13	3	...	No	

→ randomly permute!

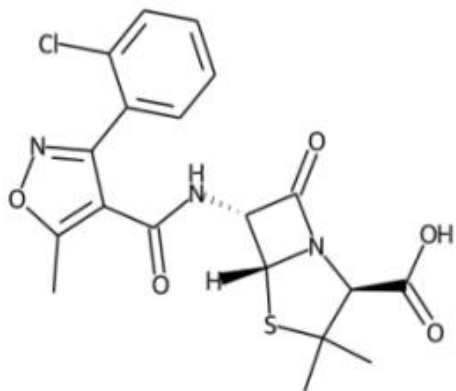
Weight	Feature
0.1750 ± 0.0848	Goal Scored
0.0500 ± 0.0637	Distance Covered (Kms)
0.0437 ± 0.0637	Yellow Card
0.0187 ± 0.0500	Off-Target
0.0187 ± 0.0637	Free Kicks
0.0187 ± 0.0637	Fouls Committed
0.0125 ± 0.0637	Pass Accuracy %
0.0125 ± 0.0306	Blocked
0.0063 ± 0.0612	Saves
0.0063 ± 0.0250	Ball Possession %
0 ± 0.0000	Red
0 ± 0.0000	Yellow & Red
0.0000 ± 0.0559	On-Target
-0.0063 ± 0.0729	Offsides
-0.0063 ± 0.0919	Corners
-0.0063 ± 0.0250	Goals in PSO
-0.0187 ± 0.0306	Attempts
-0.0500 ± 0.0637	Passes

Ex. 2: Counterfactual Explanation

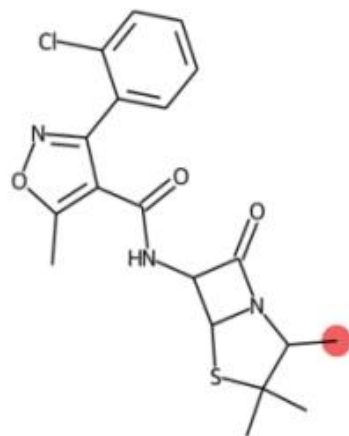
- „If X hadn't occurred, Y hadn't occurred.“
- Ex.: „If I hadn't partied all night, I wouldn't be hungover.“

Ex.: Graph classification task (Blood-Brain Barrier Permeation Prediction)

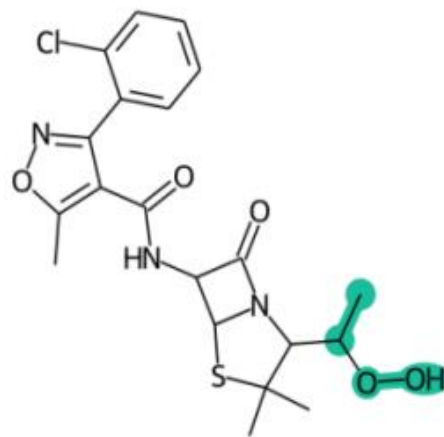
Base
 $f(x) = 0.000$



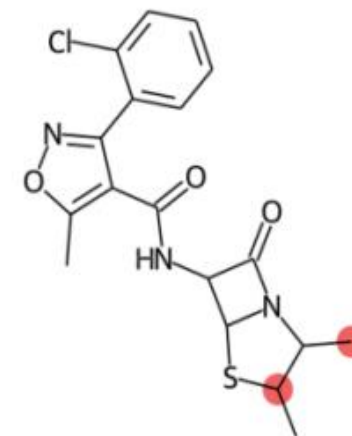
Similarity = 0.80
Counterfactual 1
 $f(x) = 1.000$



Similarity = 0.75
Counterfactual 2
 $f(x) = 1.000$

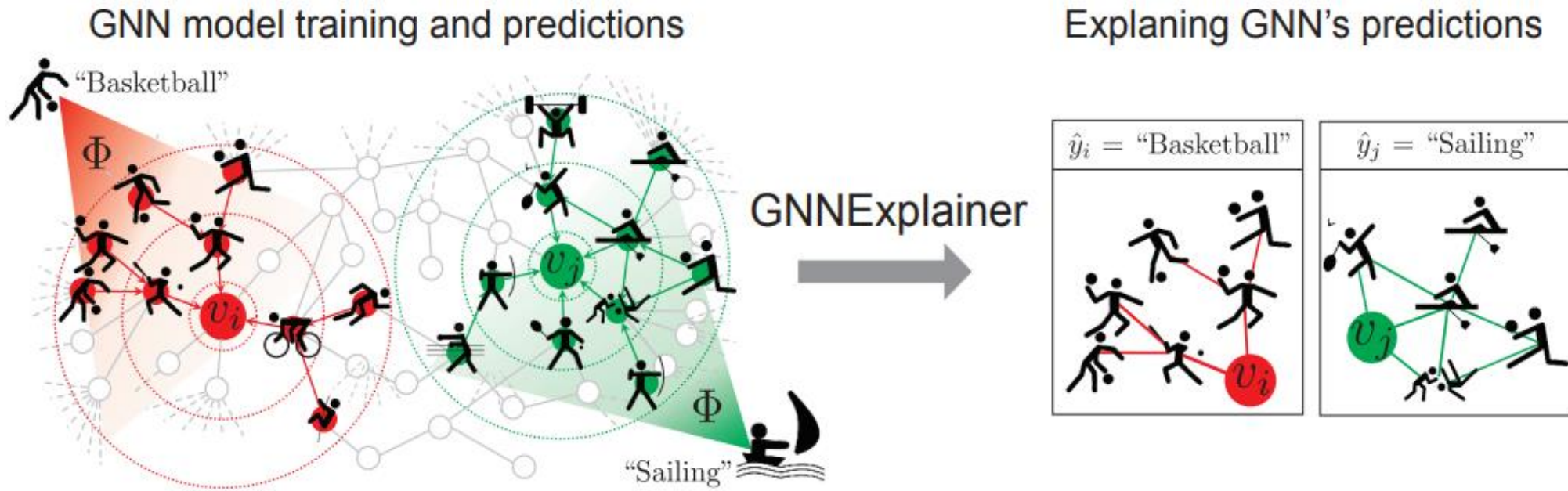


Similarity = 0.68
Counterfactual 3
 $f(x) = 1.000$



CF-GNNExplainer: Counterfactual Explanations for Graph Neural Networks

GNNExplainer

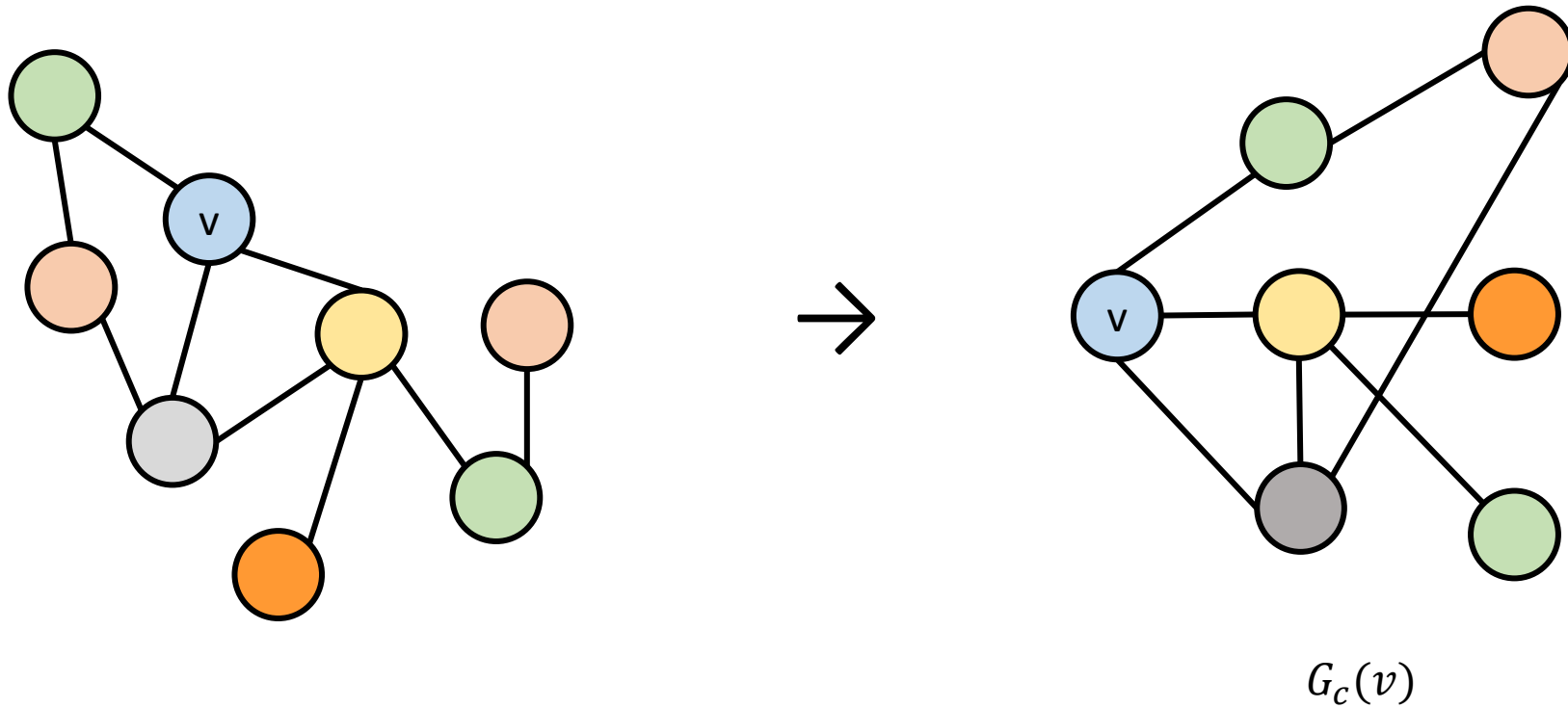


GNNExplainer: Generating Explanations for Graph Neural Networks

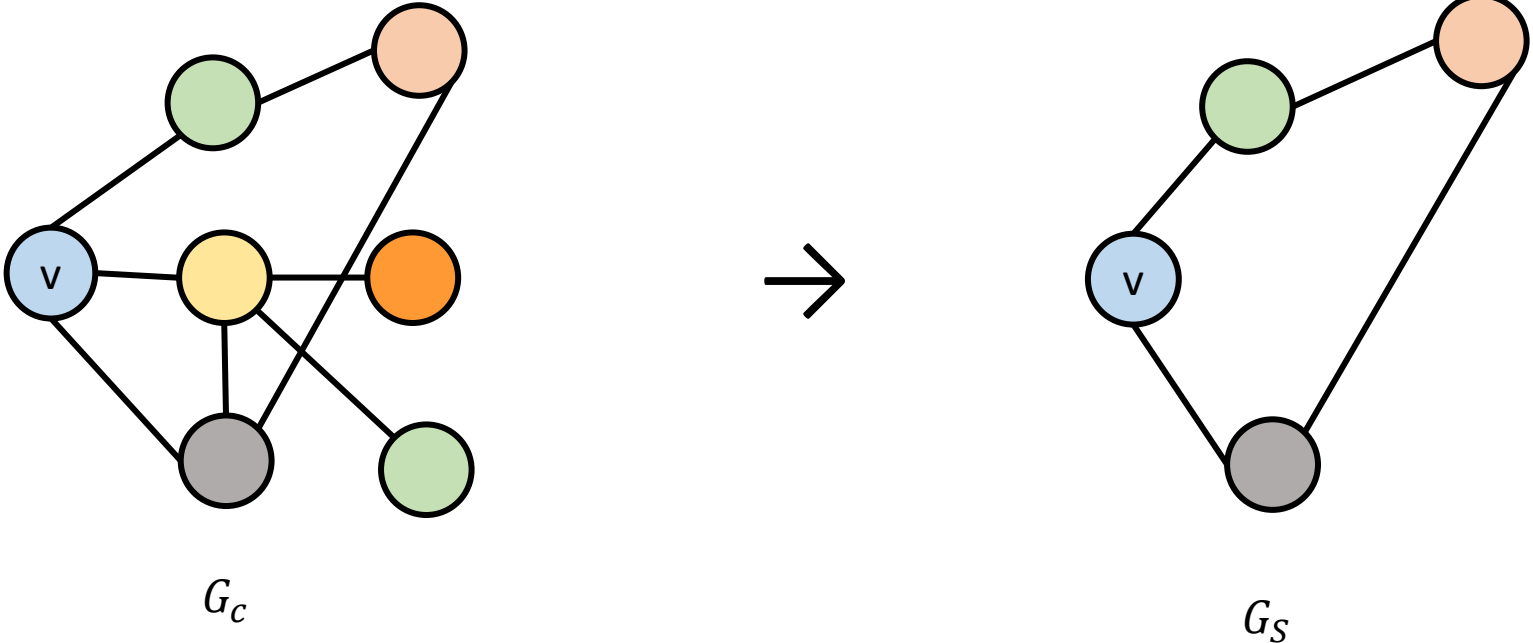
GNNExplainer

- Assume for now: node classification!
- GOAL: Identify **small** subgraph and associated features that **are important** for the GNN's prediction \hat{y} !

Computation graph:



Intuition: Remove subset of nodes...



..if the prediction of the GNN changes, then the removed nodes are a good counterfactual explanation!

Mathematical Formalization

- GOAL: Choose subgraph G_S s.t. the mutual information between the prediction of the GNN using G_C and G_S and features X_S is maximized!

$$\max_{G_S} MI(Y, (G_S, X_S)) = H(Y) - H(Y|G = G_S, X = X_S)$$

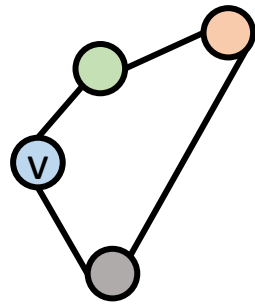
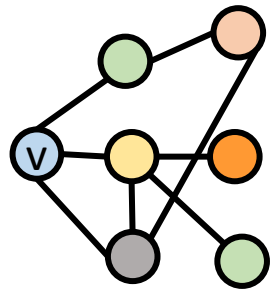
or equivalently minimize

$$H(Y|G = G_S, X = X_S) = -\mathbb{E}_{Y|G_S, X_S} [\log P_{\Phi}(Y|G = G_S, X = X_S)]$$

- Challenge: Exponentially many subsets G_S !

Continuous relaxation

- Idea: For tractability, learn mask M on the adjacency matrix of G_C



	-	1	1	1	0	0	0
	1	-	0	0	1	0	0
	1	0	-	0	0	1	1
	1	0	0	-	1	0	0
	0	0	0	1	-	0	0
	0	0	1	0	0	-	0
	0	0	1	0	0	0	-

A_C

	-	7.2	0.3	5.2	0.5	1.2	0.9
	7.2	-	0.1	0.6	4.3	0.8	1.1
	0.3	0.1	-	0.7	0.6	0.0	0.1
	5.2	0.6	0.7	-	8.1	0.9	0.6
	0.5	4.3	0.6	8.1	-	0.2	0.8
	1.2	0.8	0.0	0.9	0.2	-	1.0
	0.9	1.1	0.1	0.6	0.8	1.0	-

M

Mathematical Formalization

- Learn mask M on the adjacency matrix of G_C that minimizes

$$\min_M - \sum_{c=1}^C \mathbb{1}[y = c] \log P_{\Phi}(Y = y | G = A_c \odot \sigma(M), X = X_c)$$

earlier: G_S



- Optimize objective via gradient descent!

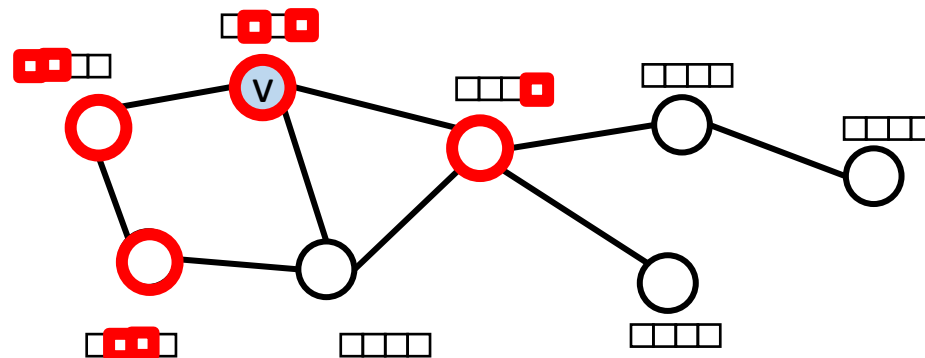
Feature selection

So far:

$$\min_M - \sum_{c=1}^C \mathbb{1}[y = c] \log P_{\Phi}(Y = y | G = A_c \odot \sigma(M), X = X_c)$$

What about this?

Apply same idea to learn optimal subset of the features via mask X_S^F !



Feature selection

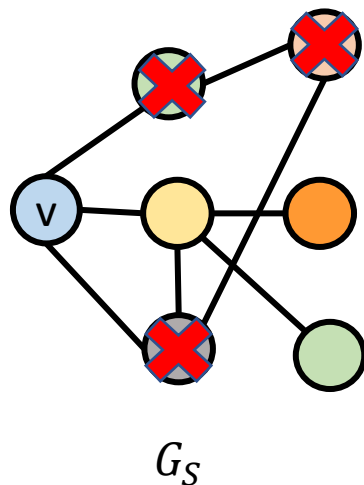
Optimize jointly via gradient descent:

$$\max_{G_S, F} MI(Y, (G_S, F)) = H(Y) - H(Y|G = G_S, X = X_S^F)$$

Q: What is missing in this objective?

(Hint: How is this objective trivially maximized?)

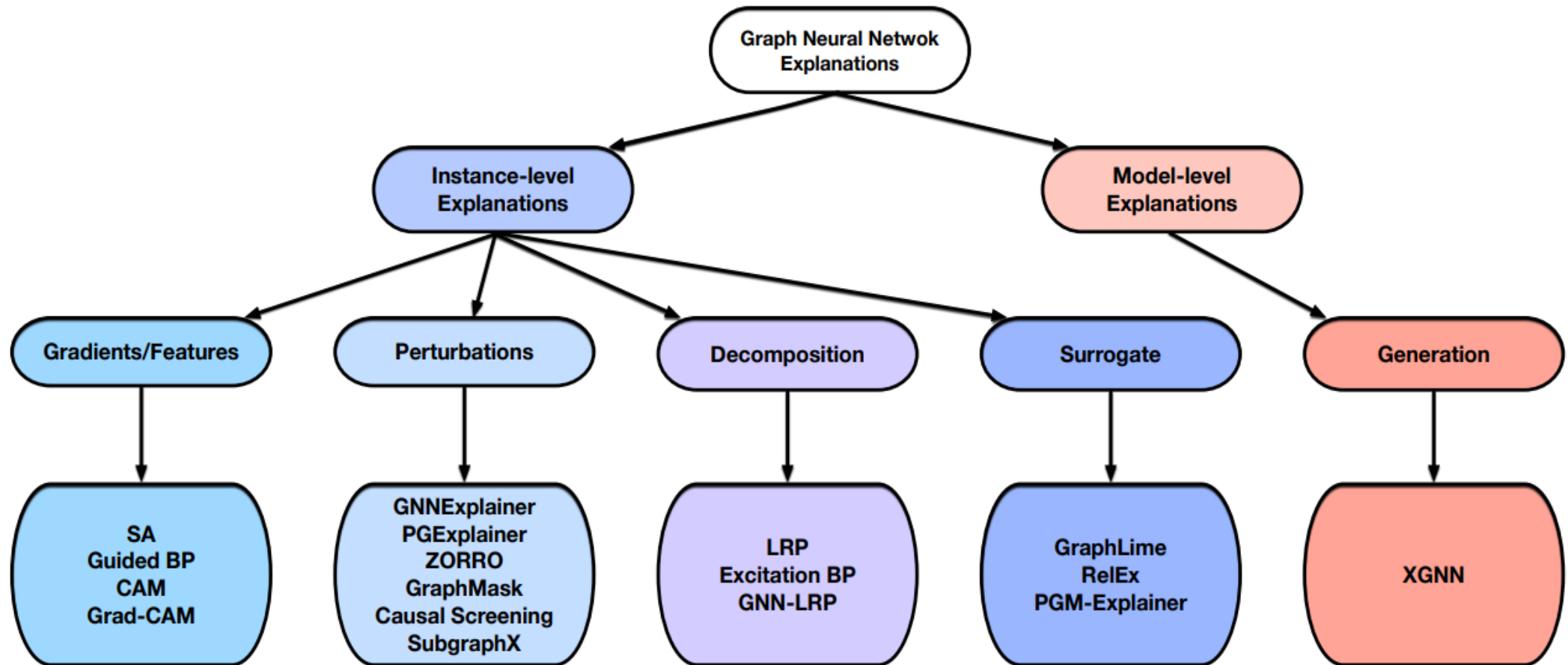
- Regularization:
 - Mask size: Penalize high explanation size by adding sum of all mask parameters
 - Entropy of the parameters: Explanation should be discriminative
- Constraint:
 - Output should be a connected subgraph!



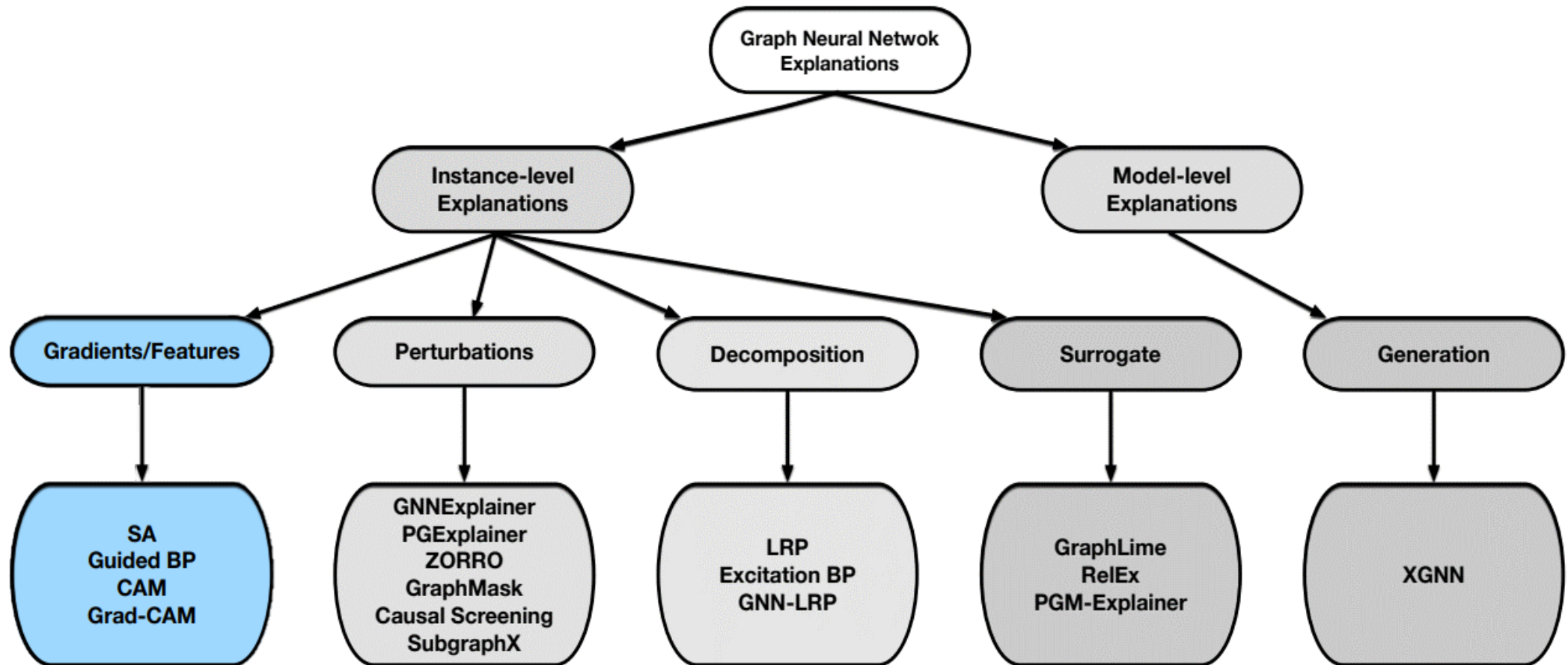
Extensions

- Link prediction: Learn two masks explaining both endpoints of the link
- Multi-instance explanation: aggregate explanations of nodes to a class c to get a „typical explanation“

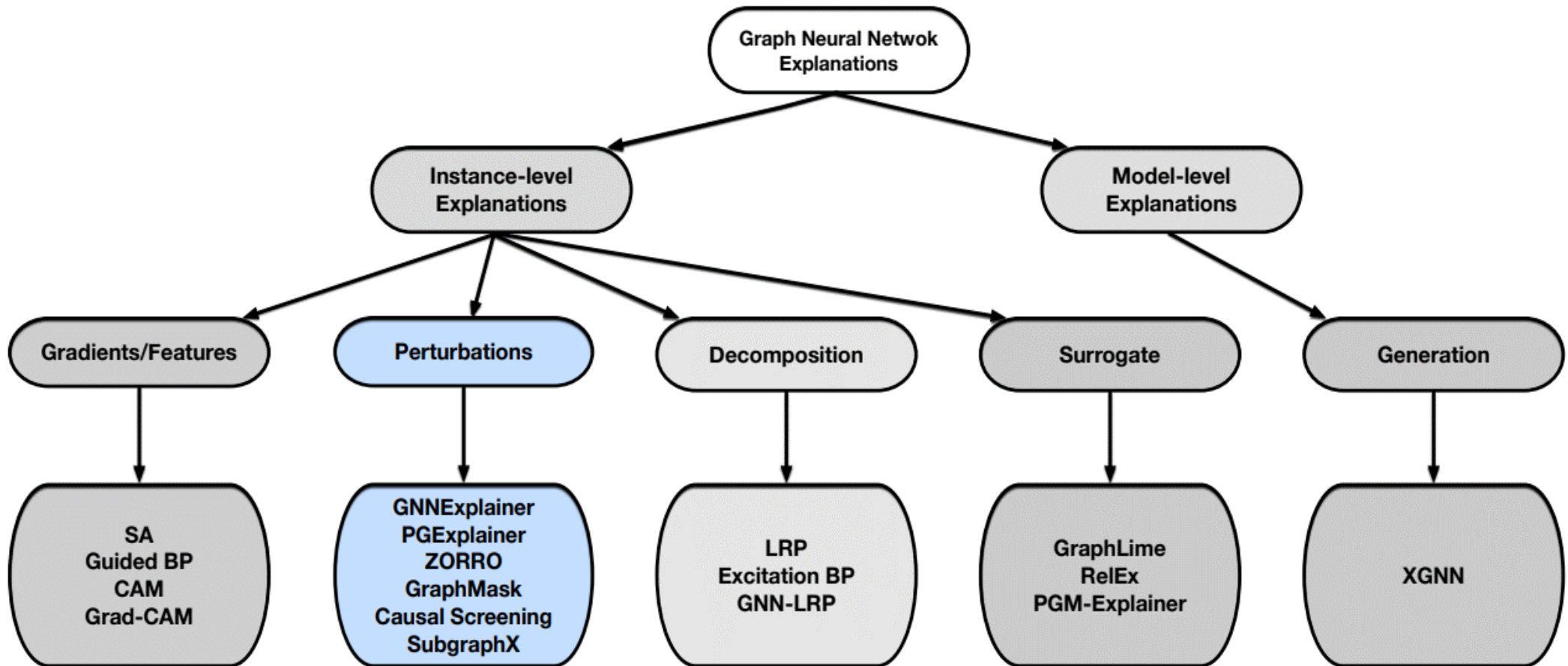
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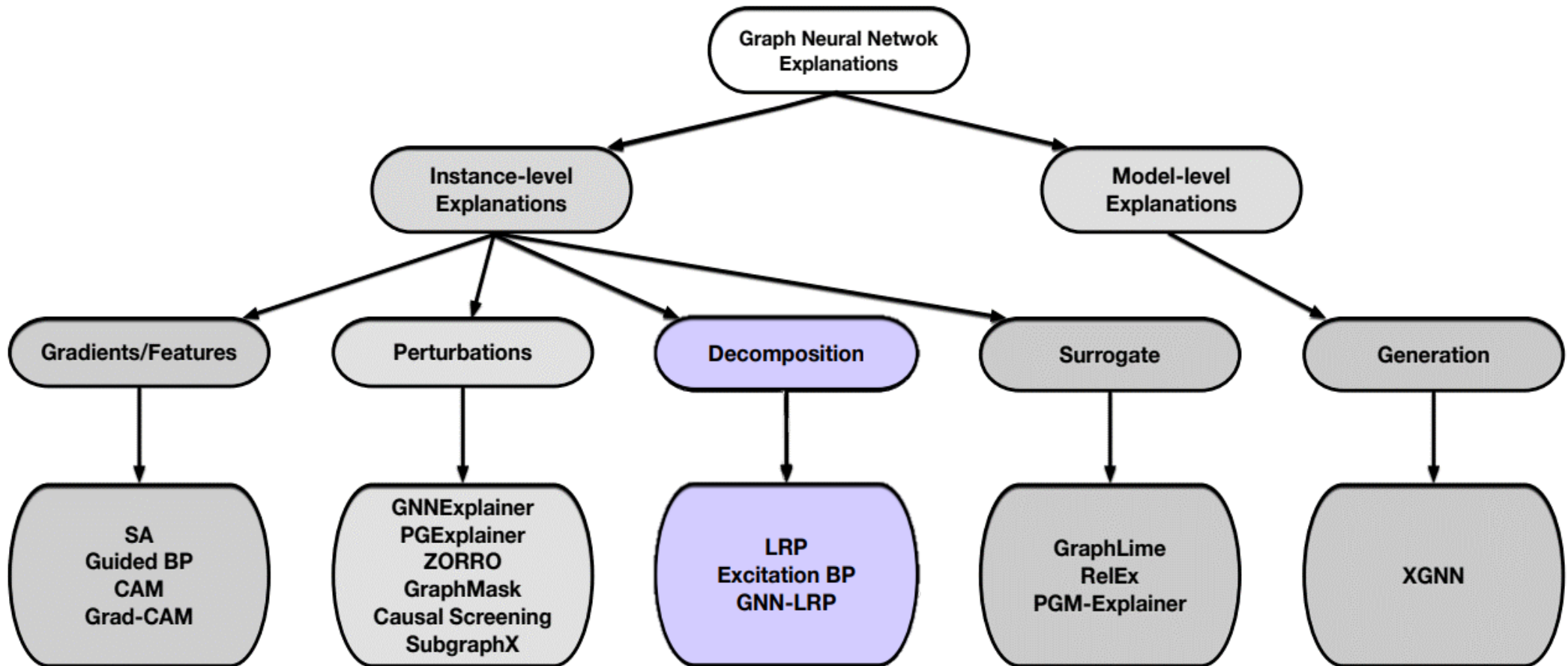
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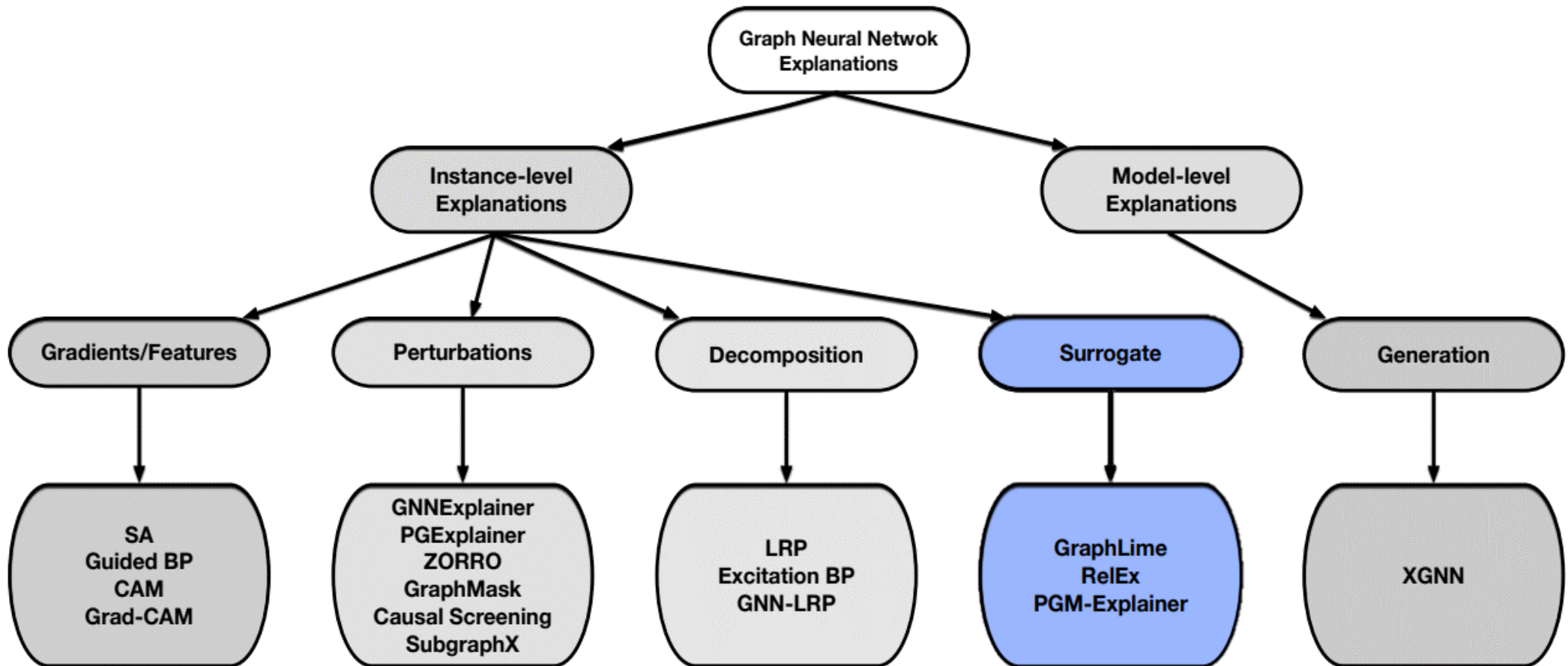
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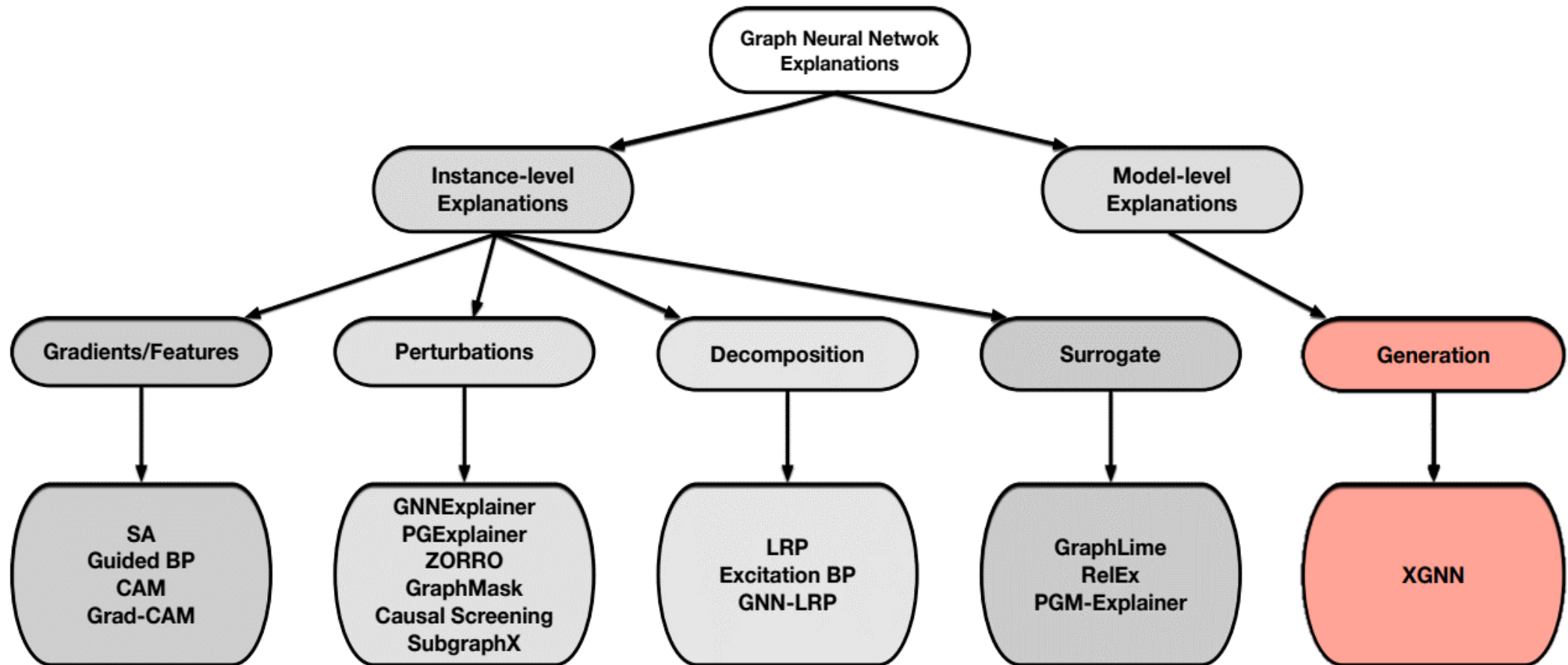
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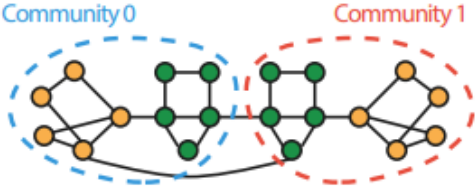


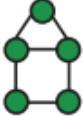


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Backup slide: GNNExplainer results

	BA-Shapes	BA-Community	Tree-Cycles	Tree-Grid
Base				
Motif				
Node Features	None	$\mathcal{N}(\mu_l, \sigma_l)$ where $l = \text{community ID}$	None	None
Explanation content	Graph structure	Graph structure Node feature information	Graph structure	Graph structure
Explanation accuracy				
Att	0.815	0.739	0.824	0.612
Grad	0.882	0.750	0.905	0.667
GNNExplainer	0.925	0.836	0.948	0.875