Structured Learning with Approximate Inference

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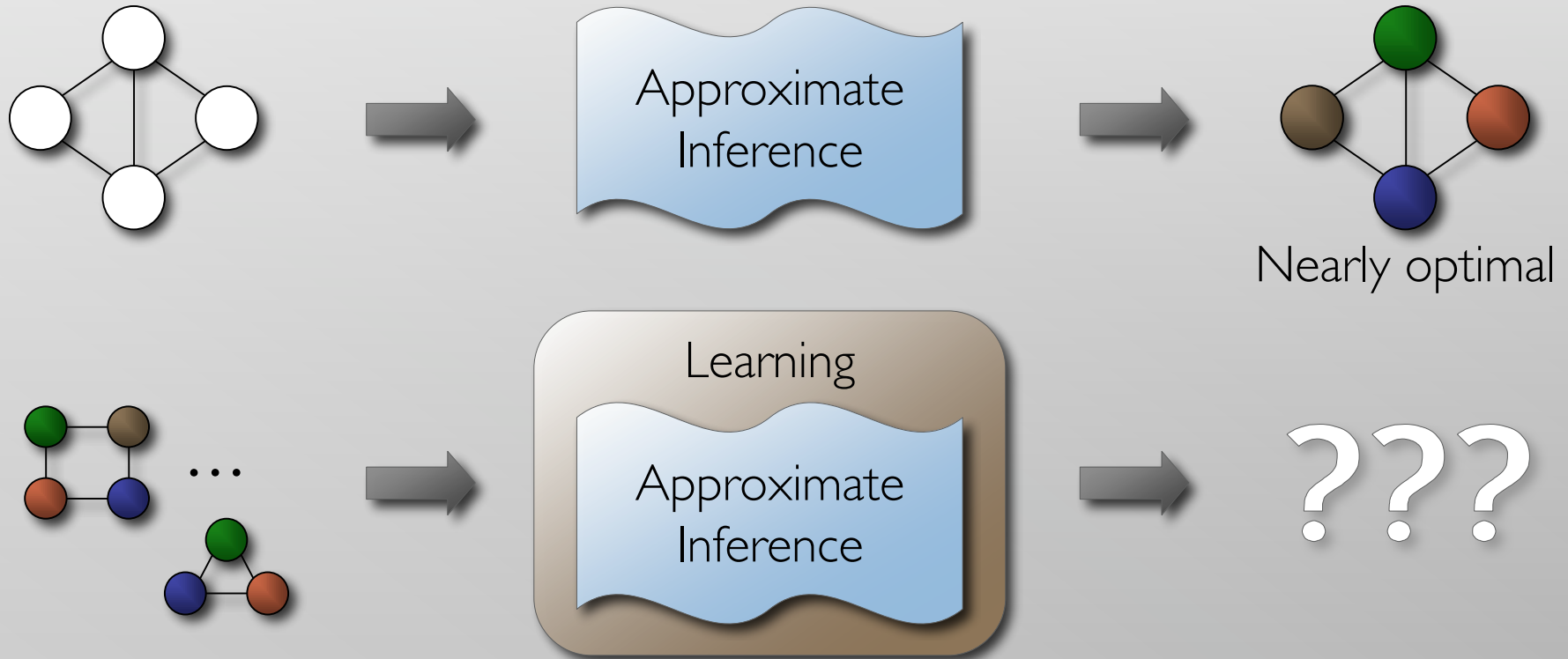
- We show that inference approximations (like LPs or loopy BP) can
  - Dramatically increase learning bias
  - Badly mislead standard learning algorithms

- For inference used in learning, **compatibility** is as important as **quality** of approximation