

HUDK 4050: CORE METHODS IN EDM

In the news

The New York Times Magazine

Not the Bots We Were Looking For

The MIT Press Journals
**The Smartness Mandate:
Notes toward a Critique**



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**New Book: The
Monsters of Education
Technology 4**

 Audrey Watters on 31 Oct 2017

Bloomberg Technology

Silicon Valley Tried to Reinvent Schools. Now It's Rebooting

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HOW I'M FIGHTING BIAS IN ALGORITHMS

glassdoor 50 **Best Jobs** in America


WIRED

Big data meets
Big Brother as
China moves to
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UNDARK Truth, Beauty, Science.

**On Rewarding 'Bullshit': Why Algorithms Should
Not Be Grading Essays**

Best-Ever Algorithm Found for Huge
Streams of Data

 **Quantamagazine**

FASTCOMPANY

**Mark Cuban Talks About Funding
Packback And The Future Of EdTech**



**Europe's Brighteye Ventures closes €50M fund to
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**New Data Reveal 250 Preschoolers Are
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A Data Paradox

E.U. Data-Protection Law Looms

That Ghostly, Glowing Light Above Canada? It's Just Steve

THE CHRONICLE OF HIGHER EDUCATION

Seeking Integrity in EdTech Research – Again

The New York Times

Events

Event	Date	Time	Location	URL
The Provost's Conversation on Online Learning	November 8	4:00pm	Davis Auditorium, Schapiro CEPSR	https://columbia.us11.list-manage.com/track/click?u=8e1c6110b489f734b9985bec5&id=d0b52b0629&e=1cc15b53eb
Funny as Tech	November 7	7:00pm	The People's Improv Theater	https://thepit-nyc.com/event/2017-11-07-funny-as-tech-with-david-ryan-polgar-and-joe-leonardo
The People's Disruption: Platform Co-Ops for Global Challenges	November 10/11	all day	The New School	https://platform.coop/2017
KPMG Technology Career Forum	November 14	1:00pm	Online	https://app.brazenconnect.com/events/X1r8O?utm_medium=Marketing&utm_source=Data+Science+Association#!eventLanding;eventCode=X1r8O
The Role of Ed Research in EdTech	November 9	6:30pm	GDH 177/179	TCCS Link

Plans

- Next week: prediction
- Assignment 5
- November 30 last formal class
- Formative test: Dec 5
- Assignment 6: Group project Dec 7 & 12
- December 14: Everything due

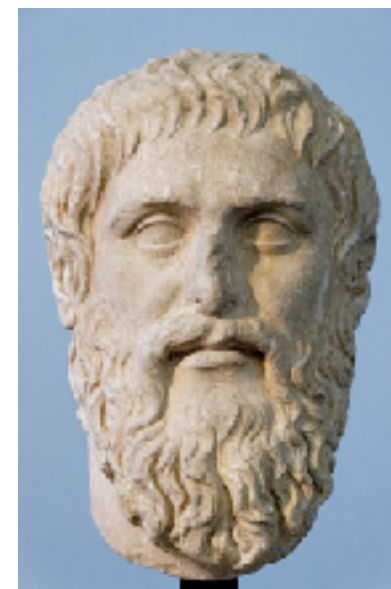
Domain Structure Discovery

- Identifying the structure of knowledge in a(n) (educational) domain
- We've been at this a while
- Quantified epistemology



Samkhya, Yoga

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~500BCE

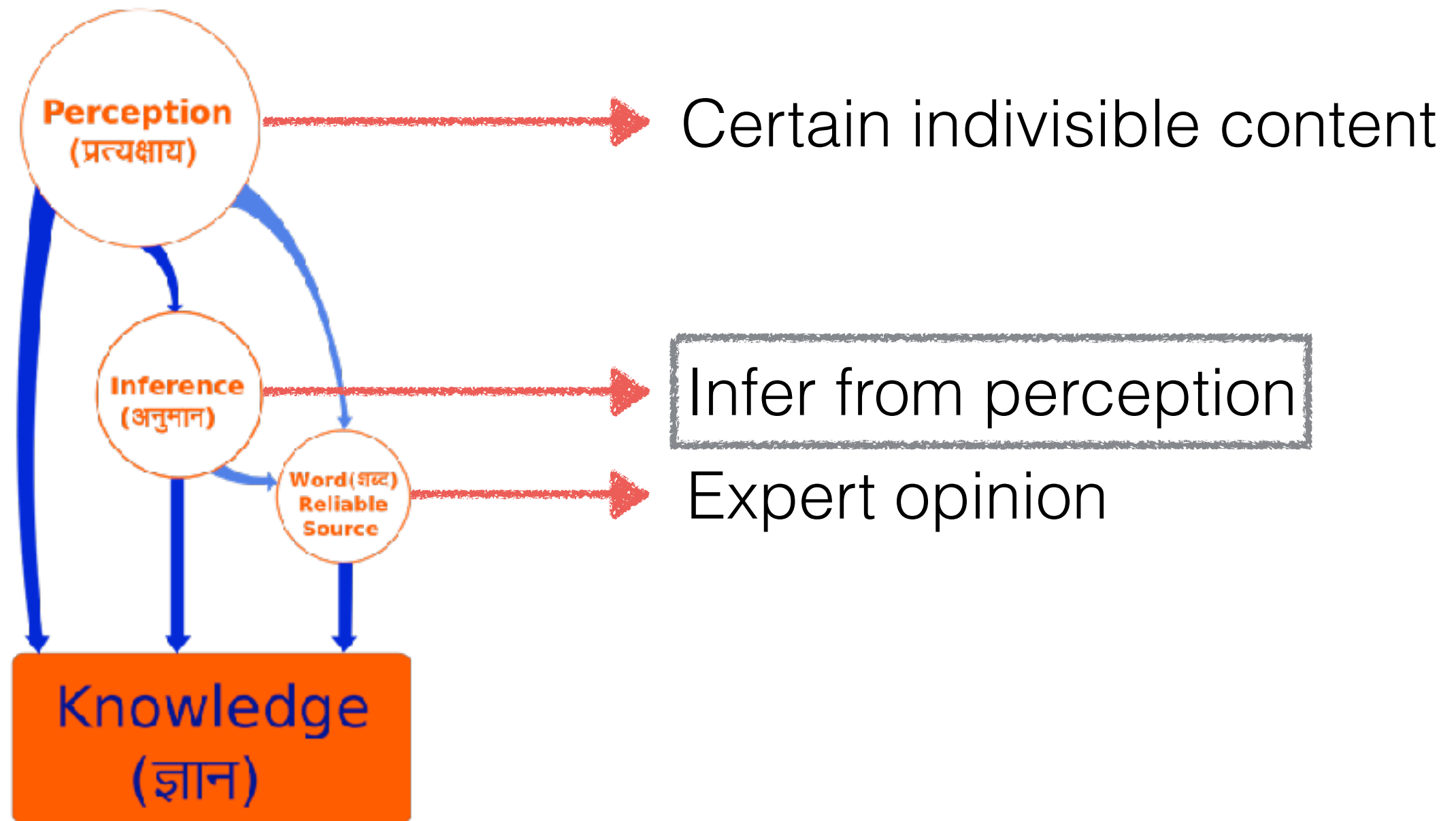


Plato ~300BCE



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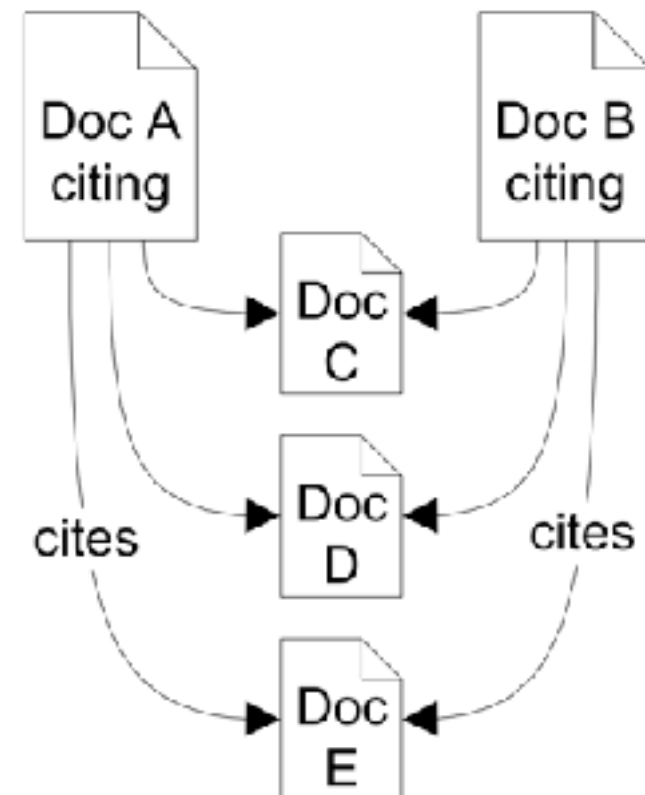
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Bibliometrics

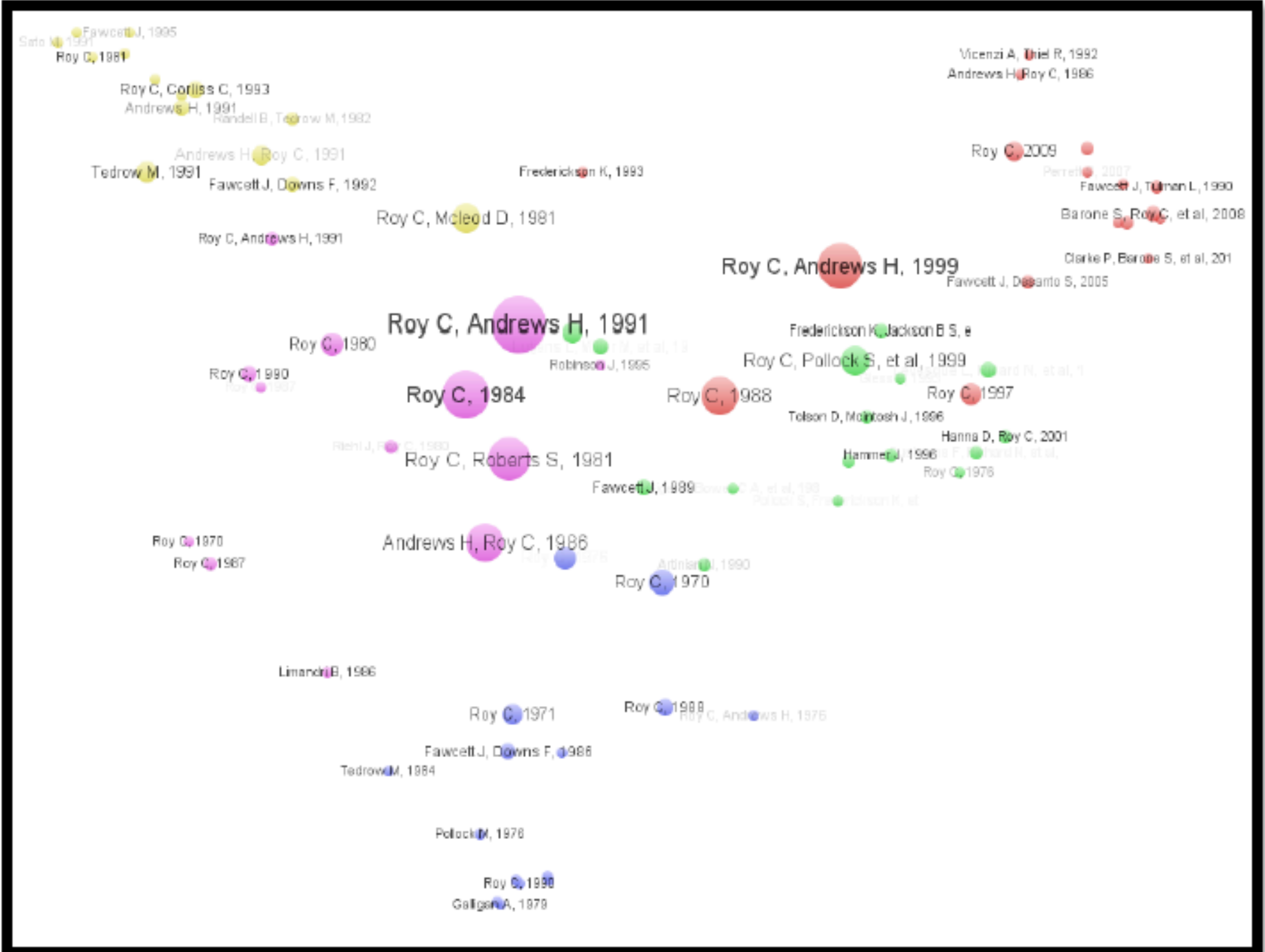
(scientometrics, librametry, statistical bibliography)

- Citation patterns
- Raw number (impact score), Erdős Number
- Co-word analysis
- Network representation



Bibliographic
Coupling

(Eigenvectors again!)

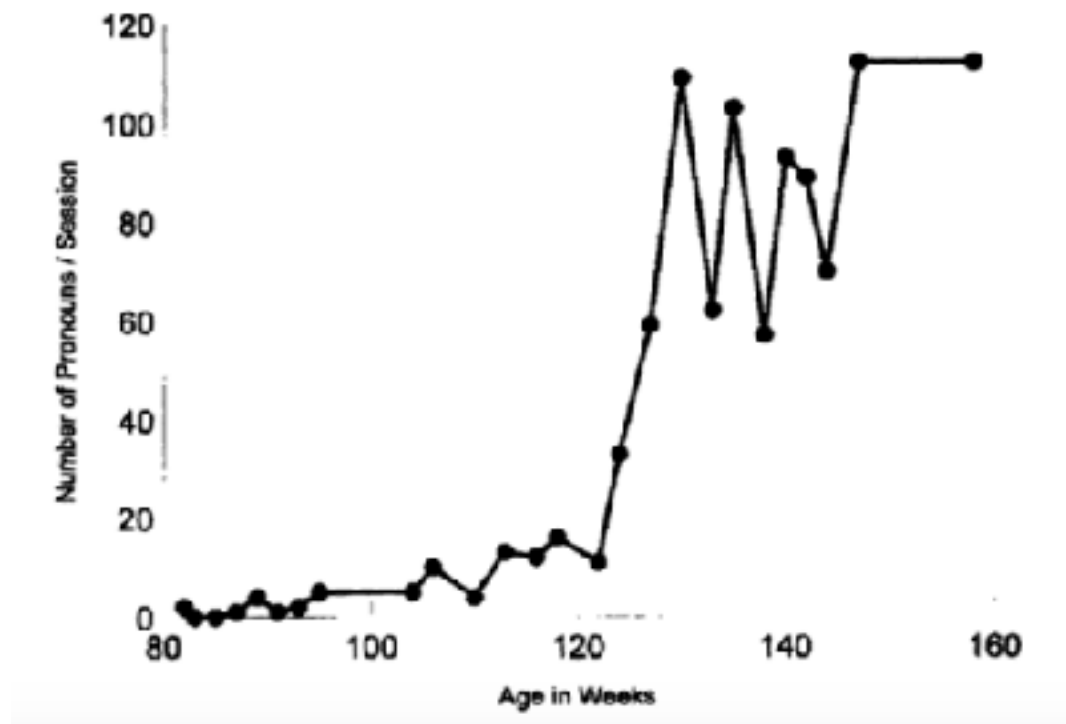


Latent Variable

Latent variables are variables that are not directly observed but are rather inferred from other variables that are observed and directly measured.

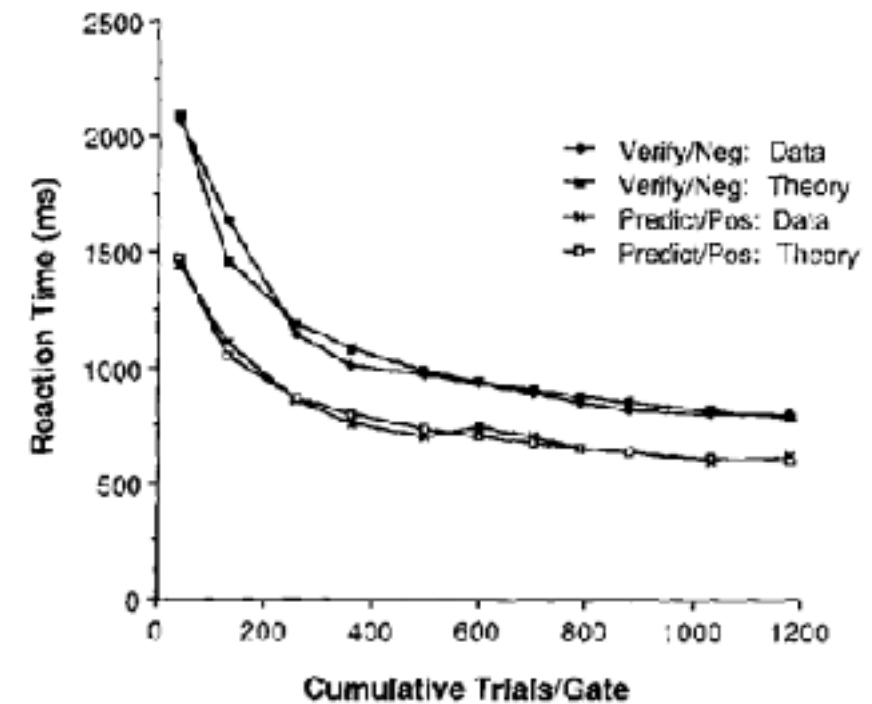
(What isn't a latent variable?)

Skills



Fischer & Yan, 1980

(There is also the whole world of construct validity)



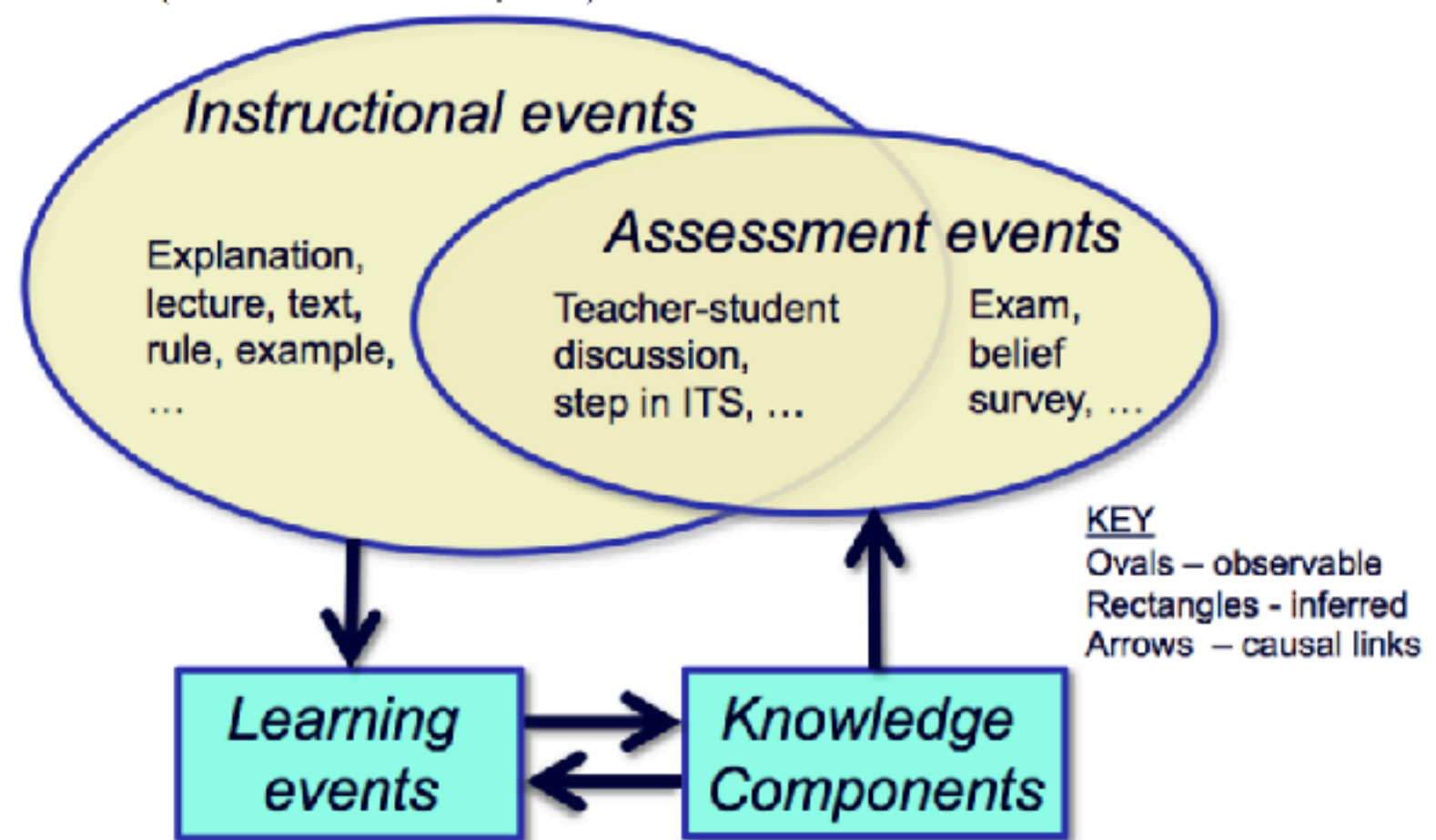
Anderson, 1982

Prolonged learning
(memory) about a family
of events

Mostly defined by
experts/definitionally true

Knowledge Components

A description of a mental structure or process that a learner uses, alone or in combination with other knowledge components, to accomplish steps in a task or a problem (Koedinger & Nathan, 2004)



Q-Matrices

History

- Interested in student misconceptions
- Devised the “Rule Space Method”
- RSM converts item response patterns into probabilities of mastering particular “skills” or concepts



Kikumi Tatsuoka

Concepts are defined
by experts. Very time
consuming & domain
specific

Q-Matrix

	q1	q2	q3	q4	q5	q6
con1	1	0	0	0	0	1
con2	1	1	0	1	0	0
con3	1	1	1	0	0	0

(Tatsuoka, 1983;1996)

Probability a
student is correct
given mastery of
a given concept

Q-Matrix

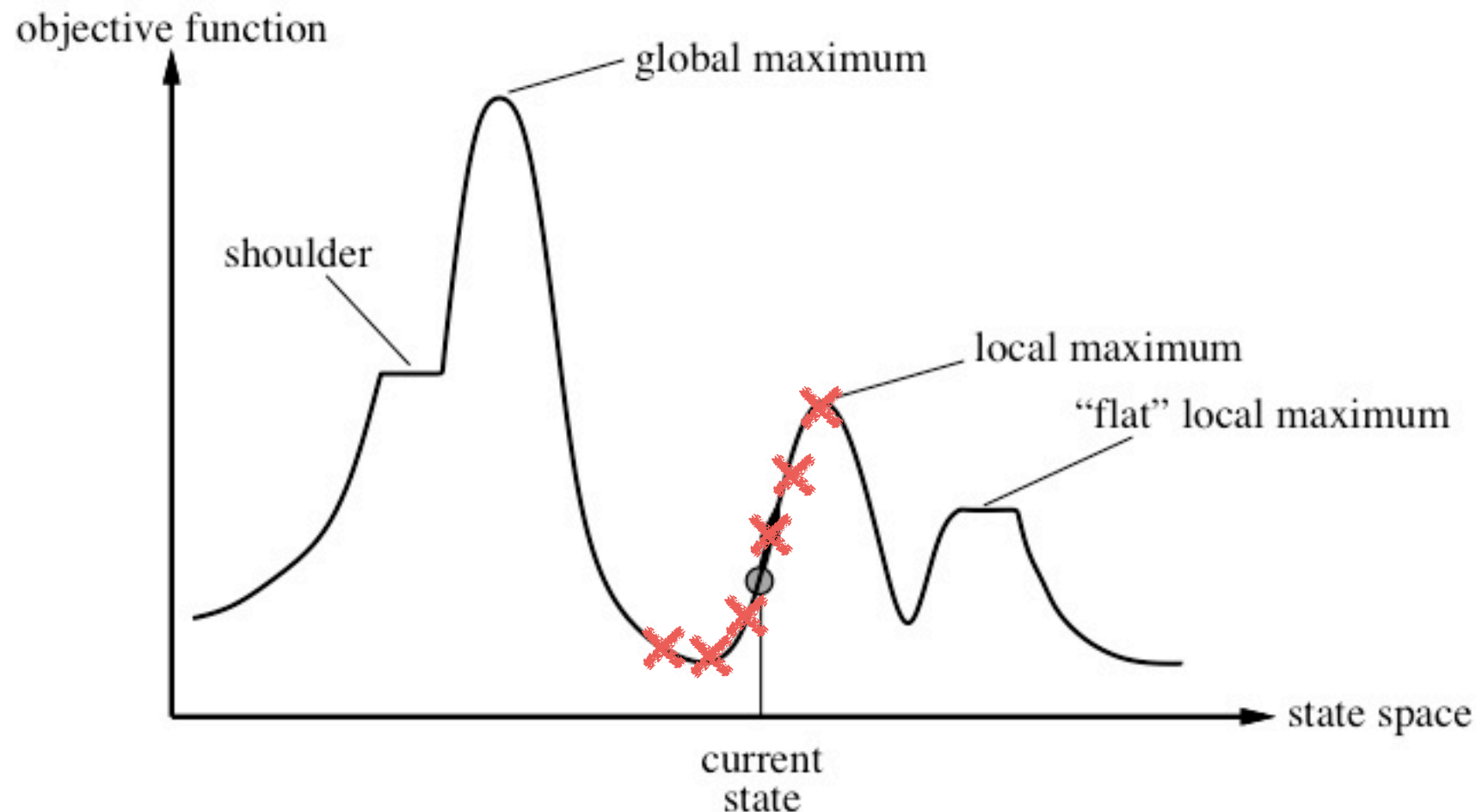
	q1	q2	q3	q4	q5	q6
con1	1	0.01	0.6	0	0.7	1
con2	0.8	0.7	0.8	0.76	0.5	0.42
con3	0.5	0.6	1	0.55	0.5	0.67

(Brewer , 1996)

One Solution

- Create idealized patterns
- Compare the observed pattern to the idealized
- Use difference between them as an indicator of “model fit”

Hill Climbing Algorithm



- If we stop too early might only capture a local maxima
- This is a “heuristic” algorithm - when problem is not algebraically solvable or would take too long
- State description contains all the information needed to find a solution

Idealized Pattern

	q1	q2	q3	q4	q5	q6
c1	1	0	0	0	0	1
c2	1	1	0	1	0	0
c3	1	1	1	0	0	0

Student Answer:
101110

Concept State	Ideal Response Vector
000	000010
001	001010
010	000110
011	011110
100	000011
101	001011
110	000111
111	111111

$$L_1 = d(p, IDR) = \sum_q |p(q) - IDR(q)|$$

$$L_1 = 1$$

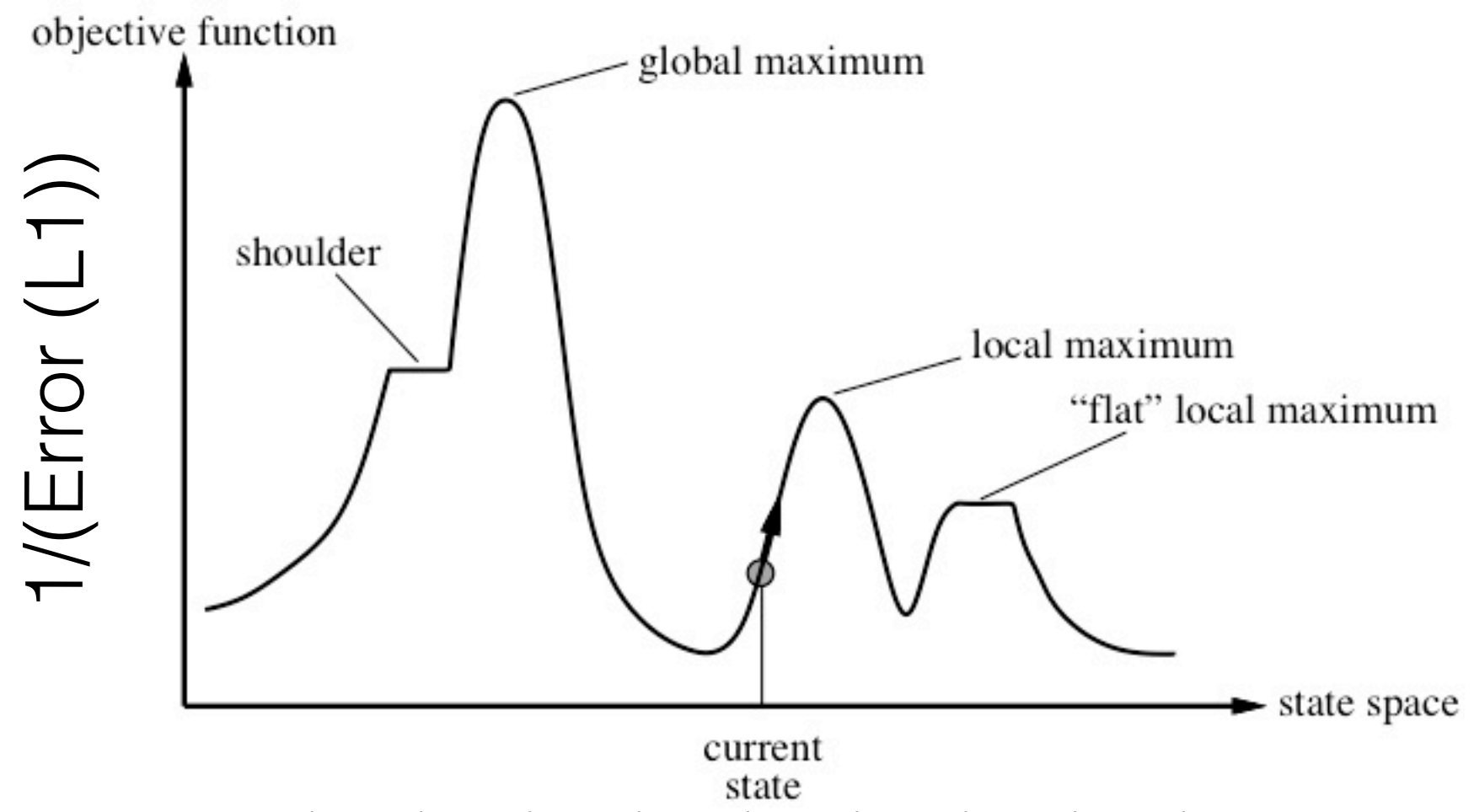


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Concept State	Students
000	A,D,X
001	B,M,N
010	C,E
011	F,G,H
100	I,J,K,L
101	O,W
110	P,Q,R,S
111	T,U,V,Z



0	0	0	0	1	1	0	1	0	Q1
0	0	0	1	1	0	1	0	1	Q2
0	0	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	Q3
0	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	1	Q4

Answers

	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q5	Q8	Q9	Q8	Q9	Q10	Q11
Ans	2	4	3	4	2	4	2	2	3	3	4

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c4	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	
c5	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	1	0	

Concept State	IDR
00000	000000000000
00001	00000010000
00010	00010000000
00011	00010010000
10100	10100000101
10101	10100010111
10111	11110011111
11000	00101000000
11100	10101000101
11110	11111100101
01111	00010110111
01000	00000000000
01010	00000100000
01101	00010010111
01110	00010100101
11111	11111111111

- Find the IDR closest to your own
- There are two “all zero”
- Count how many digits are different to your answer

Problem

Correspondence between expert-derived Q-matrices and student responses is not 100%

(Hubal, 1992)

Question: Can we use the Q-matrix method to derive valid “student mental states” (constructs? knowledge states? skill definitions?)



Lykken Borsboom de la Torre Xu Cronbach Fischer Adkins Banaji Steele

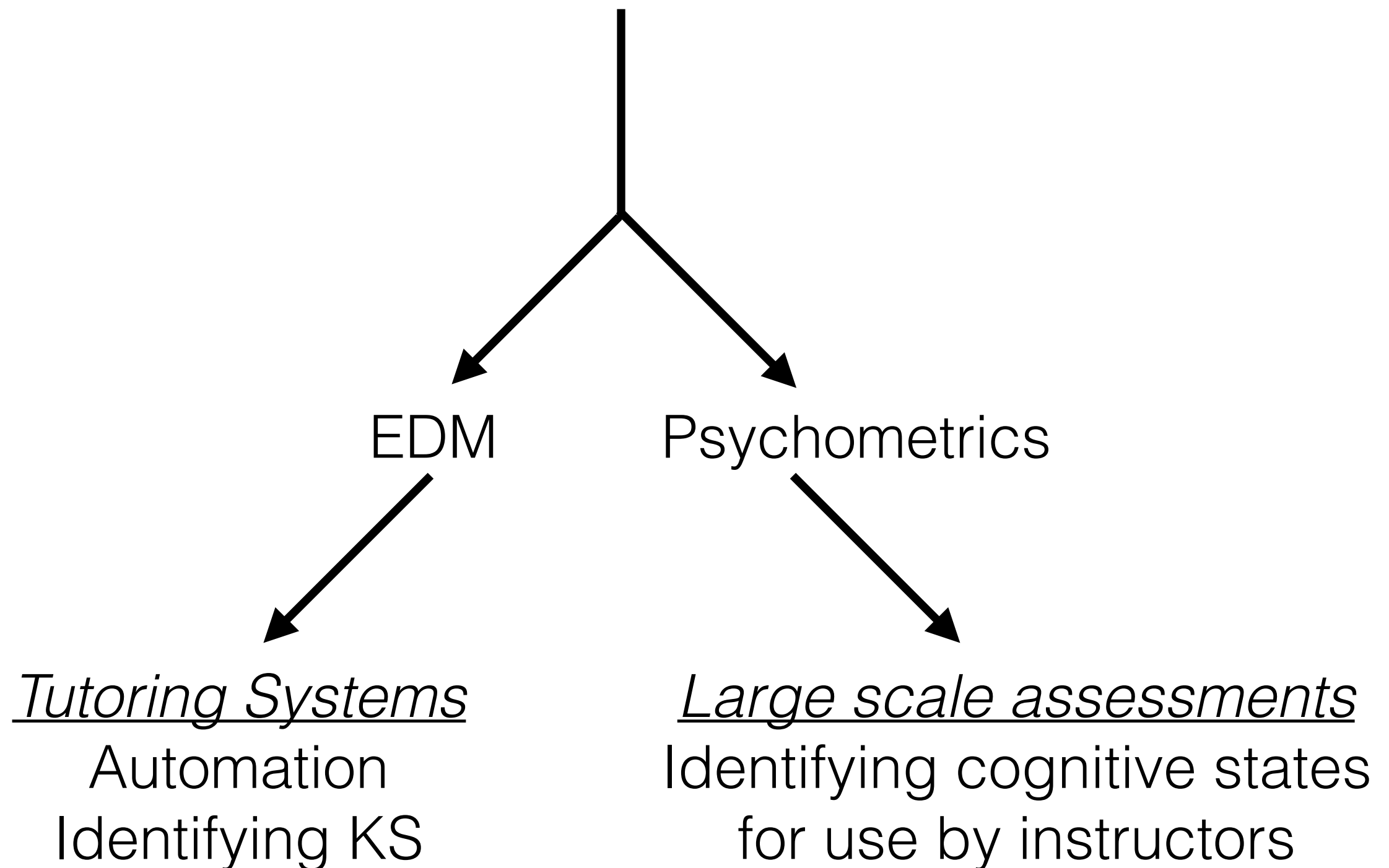
No

Can this problem be solved?

Yes



Divergence by Domain



Activity: Build Q-M

- Get into groups
- Agree on a topic
- Agree on concepts within that topic
- Devise some questions that relate to the concepts
- Map the concepts to those questions
- Email your answer to me with TEAM NAME

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