Computation, learning, and typology Class 8: Process interaction

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The classical typology



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- Kiparsky (1971, 1973): opacity is hard to learn
- McCarthy (1999), a.m.o.: classic OT 'can't do opacity'



Transparent feeding

Example based on Russian

$$P: I \longrightarrow \varnothing / C __\#$$
 (deletion)

$$Q: [-son] \longrightarrow [-voi] / __#$$
 (devoicing)

$$\sqrt{Q(P(x))}$$
: /grebl/ $\stackrel{P}{\longrightarrow}$ greb $\stackrel{Q}{\longrightarrow}$ grep 'row (m.pst)' (feeding, transparent)

$$P(Q(x))$$
: /grebl/ $\stackrel{Q}{\longrightarrow}$ grebl $\stackrel{P}{\longrightarrow}$ greb

(counterfeeding, Q underapplies)



Opaque counterfeeding (underapplication)

Example based on Bedouin Arabic

$$P: [-cons] \longrightarrow [+syll] / C __\#$$

$$Q: a \longrightarrow i / __CV$$

$$Q(P(x))$$
: /badw/ $\stackrel{P}{\longrightarrow}$ badu $\stackrel{Q}{\longrightarrow}$ bidu

$$\checkmark P(Q(x))$$
: /badw/ $\stackrel{Q}{\longrightarrow}$ badw $\stackrel{P}{\longrightarrow}$ badu 'Bedouin'

(vocalization)

(raising)

(feeding, transparent)

(counterfeeding, Q underapplies)



Transparent bleeding

Example based on Lamba

$$P: i \longrightarrow e / {iggriup -high -low - lowering}$$
 (lowering)
$$Q: s \longrightarrow \int / \underline{\hspace{1cm}} i$$
 (palatalization)

$$\checkmark Q(P(x))$$
: /kosika/ $\stackrel{P}{\longrightarrow}$ koseka $\stackrel{Q}{\longrightarrow}$ koseka 'be strong (neut.)' (bleeding,

P(Q(x)): /kosika/ $\stackrel{Q}{\longrightarrow}$ koſika $\stackrel{P}{\longrightarrow}$ koſeka

(counterbleeding, Q overapplies)

transparent)



Opaque counterbleeding (overapplication)

Example based on Polish

$$P: [-\mathsf{son}] \longrightarrow [-\mathsf{voi}] / __\#$$

$$Q: O \longrightarrow U / _ \begin{bmatrix} +voi \\ -nas \end{bmatrix} #$$

$$Q(P(x))$$
: /3wob/ $\stackrel{P}{\longrightarrow}$ 3wop $\stackrel{Q}{\longrightarrow}$ 3wop

$$\checkmark P(Q(x)): / \exists wob / \xrightarrow{Q} \exists wub \xrightarrow{P} \exists wup 'crib'$$

(devoicing)

(raising)

(bleeding, transparent)

(counterbleeding, Q overapplies)



-HARD TURN! -

Baković (2005) Pajak & Baković (2010)

Background

dispreference for 'sufficiently identical' adjacent consonants (anti-similarity)

dispreference for *completely* identical adjacent consonants (anti-identity, a.k.a. 'antigemination')



dispreference for feature mismatch between adjacent consonants (anti-disagreement, a.k.a. assimilation)

Background

anti-similarity = anti-identity + anti-disagreement

Empirical consequences:

- 1. Assimilation dependence.
- 2. Contextual predictability.
- 3. Contingent optionality.

(Bonus: factorial typology.)

English past tense

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-əd / {t, d} ___
weɪt-əd 'waited'; feɪd-əd 'faded'
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- -t / voiceless sounds ___ terp-t 'taped'; ferk-t 'faked'; rers-t 'raced'
- -d / voiced sounds ___ serv-d 'saved'; gern-d 'gained'; rerz-d 'raised'; ferl-d 'failed'

- =/d/ and /t/ are 'sufficiently identical'
- = voicing assimilation

= elsewhere

gein-d'gained' vs. seint 'saint' feil-d'failed' vs. felt 'felt'

Sufficient identity

/weit+d/	No-XY	AGREE-VOI	Dep-V	IDENT-VOI
weitəd		I I	1	
a. \sim weitd	$_{1}$ W	$\stackrel{ }{1}$ $\stackrel{ }{1}$ $\stackrel{ }{W}$	0 L	
b. \sim weitt	$_{1}$ W	 	0 L	$_{1}$ W
$\sqrt{\text{weit+d}}$	No-XX	AGREE-VOI	Dep-V	IDENT-VOI
weitəd		 	1	
a. \sim weitd		$\stackrel{\mid}{l}_{1}$ W	0 L	
b. ~ weitt	1 W	 	0 L	1 W

Sufficient identity

$/\text{weit}+\mathbf{d}/$	No-XX	AGREE-VOI	Dep-V	IDENT-VOI
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wertəd	assin	nilation	1	
a. ~ weitd	1 vdepe	ndence	0 L	
b. ~ weitt	1 W	1 	0 L	$_{1}$ W

Consequences

1. Assimilation dependence.

Every feature (f) ignored for the purposes of determining sufficient identity of adjacent consonants independently assimilates.

Lithuanian verbal prefixes

ab- / _ G = obstruent voicing assimilation ab-drasikiixii, ab-gautii

ap- / __ R, K ap-ra∫ixtii, ap-taritii, ap-∫aukitii, ap-kalibietii = both assimilations

= elsewhere

Lithuanian verbal prefixes

= palatalization assimilation

= obstruent voicing assimilation

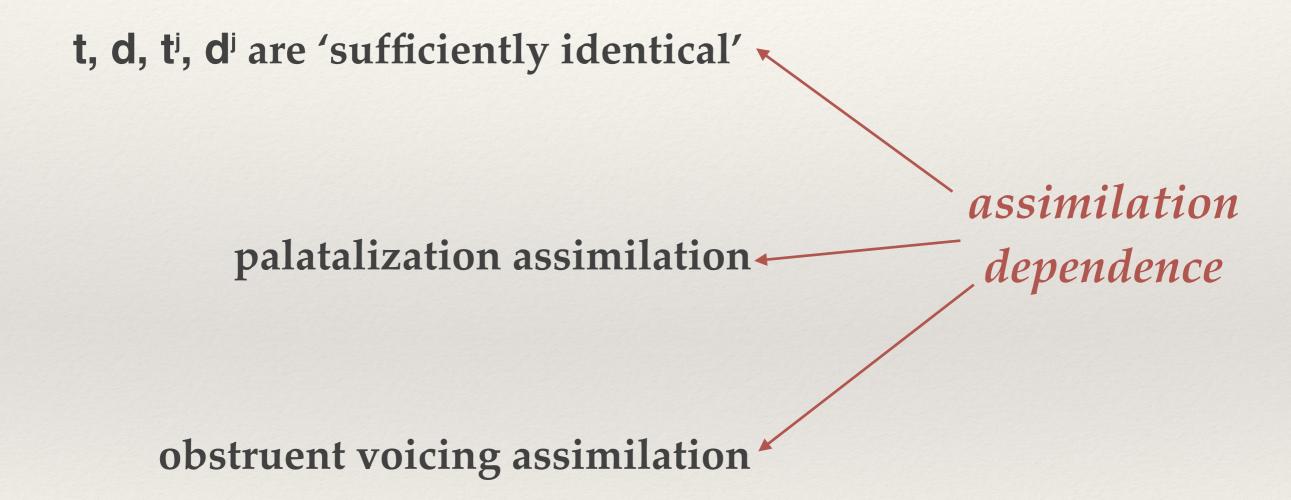
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ad<sup>j</sup>-/__G<sup>j</sup>
ad<sup>j</sup>-bjekitii, ad<sup>j</sup>-g<sup>j</sup>i:t<sup>j</sup>i
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= both assimilations

at- / __ R, K at-ra∫iti, at-pra∫iixti, at-∫aukiti, at-koxpitii

= elsewhere

Lithuanian verbal prefixes



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/ap-b ^j er ^j t ^j i/	No-XX Agr-voi Agr-pal	DEP	ID-VOI ID-PAL
ap ^j i-b ^j er ^j t ^j i		1	
a. $\sim ap-b^j er^j t^j i$	$1 \mathrm{W} \qquad \qquad 1 \mathrm{W}$	0 L	$\begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \end{vmatrix}$
b. $\sim ap^j-b^jer^jt^ji$	$_{1}$ W	0 L	1 1
c. $\sim ab-b^j er^j t^j i$	$\frac{1}{1}$ W	0 L	$\begin{array}{ c c c c c c c c c c c c c c c c c c c$
$d. \sim ab^{j}-b^{j}er^{j}t^{j}i$	1 W	0 L	$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & \mathbf{W} & \vdots & 0 & \mathbf{L} \end{bmatrix}$

assimilation dependence

Pajak & Baković (2010)

Polish proclitics

Note: we'll return to this condition shortly.

$$ZE-/_\{S, Z, G, Z, S, Z\}C = s, z, G, Z, S, Z are 'sufficiently identical' ze-skawõ, ze-znakiem, ze-gfitem, ze-zrudwa, ze-şlaxtõ, ze-zviru$$

$$z-/z-/$$
 $\{zV, \widehat{dz}\}/\{zV, \widehat{dz}\}$ $z-\widehat{dz}$ $\{zV, \widehat{dz}\}/\{zV, \widehat{dz}\}$

= coronal place assimilation

$$s-/K$$
 = c s-kfasem, s-pştşəwə, s-sunətç, s-serem

= obstruent voicing assimilation

$$\varsigma$$
-/ ς -/ [ς V, t ς]/{ ς V, t ς }
 ς -t ς i ς +i ς - ς -canem/ ς -t ς kafk $\tilde{\varsigma}$, ς - ς -saz ε t $\tilde{\varsigma}$

= both assimilations

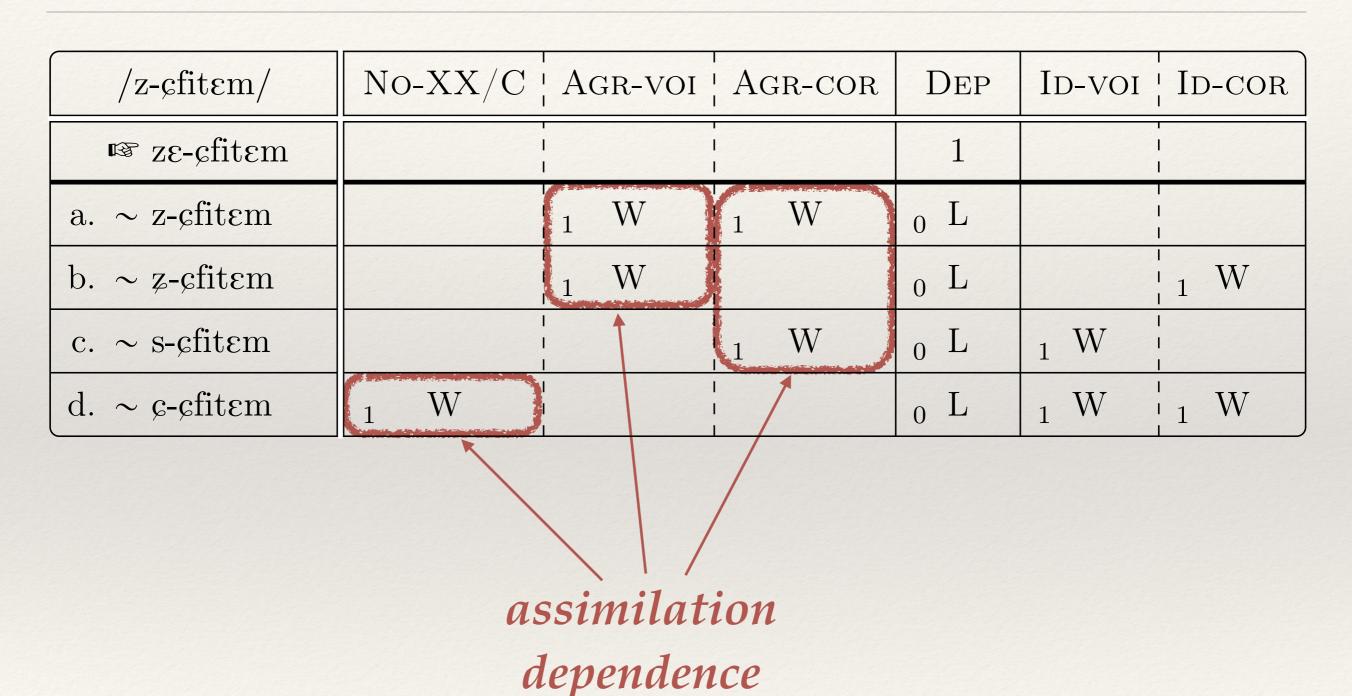
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assimilation
coronal place assimilation
dependence

obstruent voicing assimilation

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Consequences

2. Contextual predictability.

Adjacent all-but-f identity avoidance is found in all and only the contexts where both adjacent total identity avoidance and f-assimilation are independently found.

Assimilation	before clusters	before singletons
voicing /v-/	f-stşelit¢ f-tşt¢ine	f-pudɛwku f-kav¹arɲi
voicing /z-/	s-kfasem s-pştsowõ	s-pivεm s-kavõ
coronal place /z-/	z-dzviigiem z-dzdzovnitsõ	z-dzupli z-dzungli
both /z-/	ç-tçmõ ş-tşkafkõ	ς-tcisitc ş-tsarodzεjεm

Assimilation	before clusters	before singletons
Total identity avoidance	only before clusters	<i>not</i> before singletons
/v-/	vε-vgw̃b ⁱ ɛɲu vε-vzɛɕɲu	ν-vannε (*νε-vannε)
/z-/	zε-znak ⁱ εm zε-zv ⁱ εzε̃tcitc	z-zamku (*zε-zamku)

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Assimilation	before clusters	before singletons
Total identity avoidance	only before clusters	not before singletons
Sufficient identity avoidance	only before clusters	<i>not</i> before singletons
all but voicing /v-/	νε-frunot͡ɕ	f-fotelu (*ve-fotelu)
all but voicing /z-/	ze-skawõ	s-sunɔ̃t͡ɕ (*zɛ-sunɔ̃t͡ɕ)
all but cor. pl. /z-/	ze-zrudwa	z-zε̃bnɔ̃tç (*zε-
all but cor. pr. /z-/	ze-zviru	z̃ebnɔ̃t͡ɕ)
all but both /z-/	ze-¢fitem	G-Ganεm (*zε-
	ze-slaxtõ	çanem)

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contextual predictability

Consequences

3. Contingent optionality.

In contexts where (f)-assimilation applies optionally, all-but-(f) identity avoidance is also optional.

optional assimilation	singleton fricative	singleton affricate
voiceless alveopalatal	s-ganem ~ g-ganem	s-tcişitc ~ c-tcişitc
voiceless postalveolar	s-şazetç ~ ş-şazetç	s-tşapkő ~ ş-tşapkő
voiced alveopalatal	z-zɛ̃bnɔ̃tç ~ z-zɛ̃bnɔ̃tç	z-dzupli ~ z-dzupli
voiced postalveolar	z-zabɔ̃ ~ z-zabɔ̃	z-dzungli ~ z-dzungli

contingent optionality

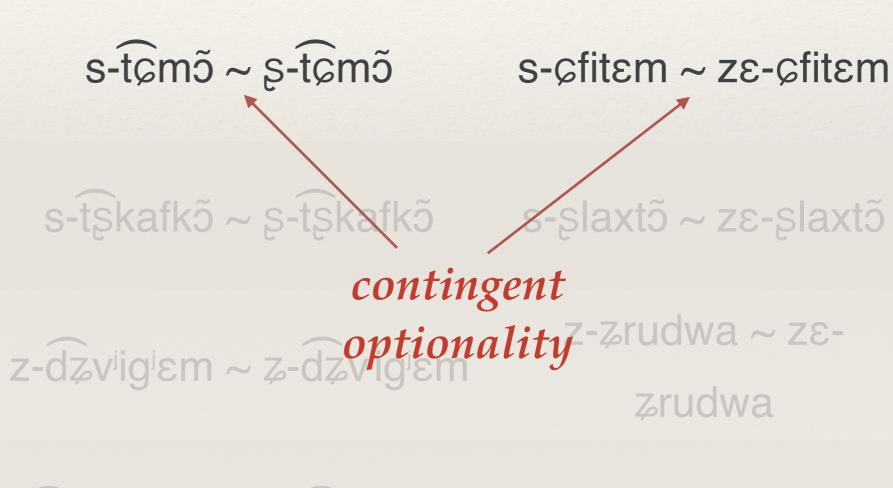
voiceless alveopalatal

voiceless postalveolar

voiced alveopalatal

voiced postalveolar affricate in cluster: optional assimilation

fricative in cluster: optional epenthesis



z-d̄zmakⁱεm ~ z-d̄zmakⁱεm z-zviru ~ zε-zviru

Higher-ranked AGREE-COR inactive: no assimilation...

/z-dzupli/	No-XX/C	AGR-COR	DEP	ID-COR	AGR-COR
r z-dzupli					1
a. ~ zε-dzupli			$_{1}$ W		0 L
b. ~ z-dzupli				1 W	

...and no epenthesis.

/z-zrudwa/	No-XX/C	AGR-COR	DEP	ID-COR	AGR-COR
z-zrudwa					1
a. ∼ zε-zrudwa			$_{1}$ W		0 L
b. ~ z-zrudwa	1 W		0 L	1 W	

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a. ~ z-dzupli		1 W		0 L	
b. ~ zε-dzupli		 	1 W	0 L	

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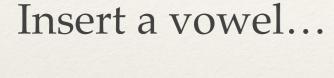
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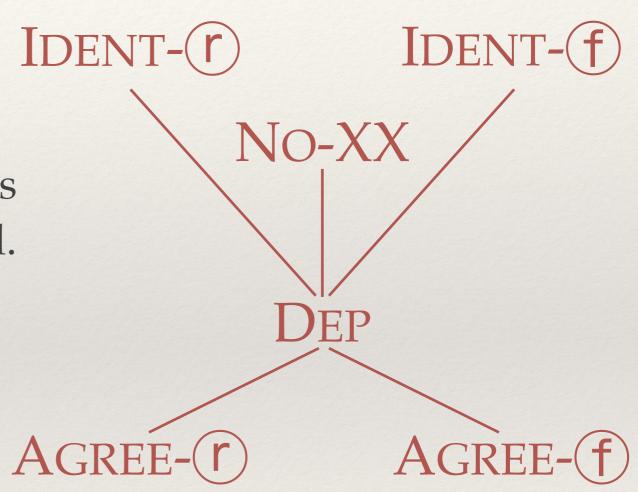
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...only if flanking consonants are *totally* identical.

e.g. Tondano (within words), Lenakel



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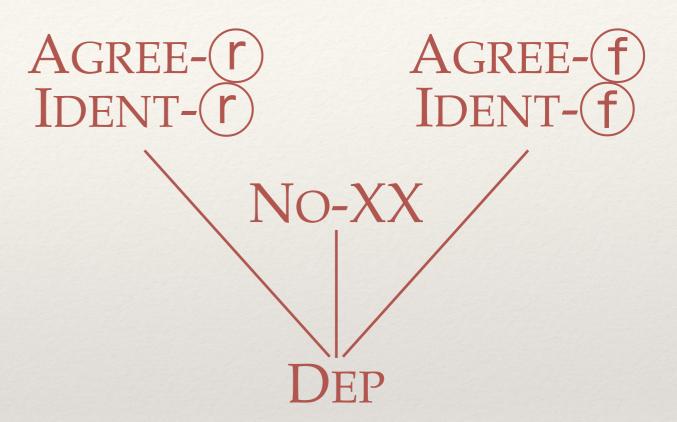
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Insert a vowel...

...blindly.

e.g. Hua



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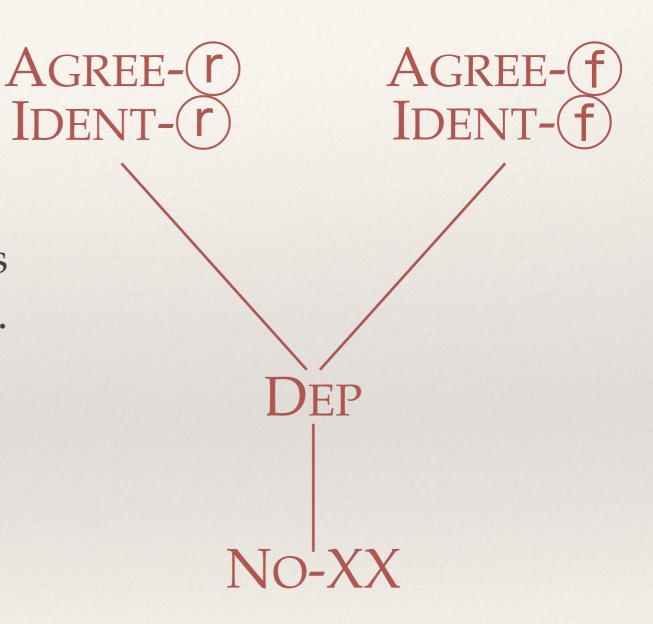
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Insert a vowel...

...unless flanking consonants are totally identical.

e.g. Tondano (between words)



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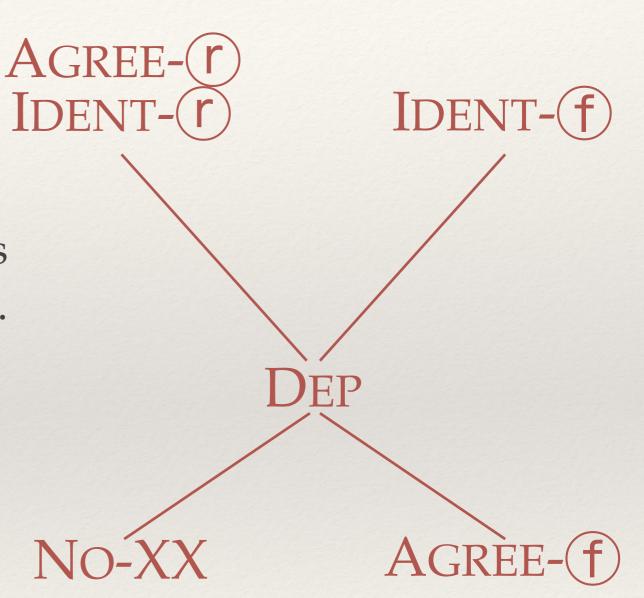
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e.g. Yir Yoront



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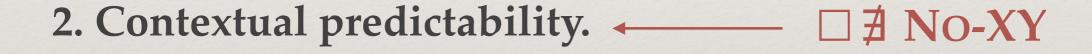
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