On Commonsense Domains within the Winograd Schema Challenge

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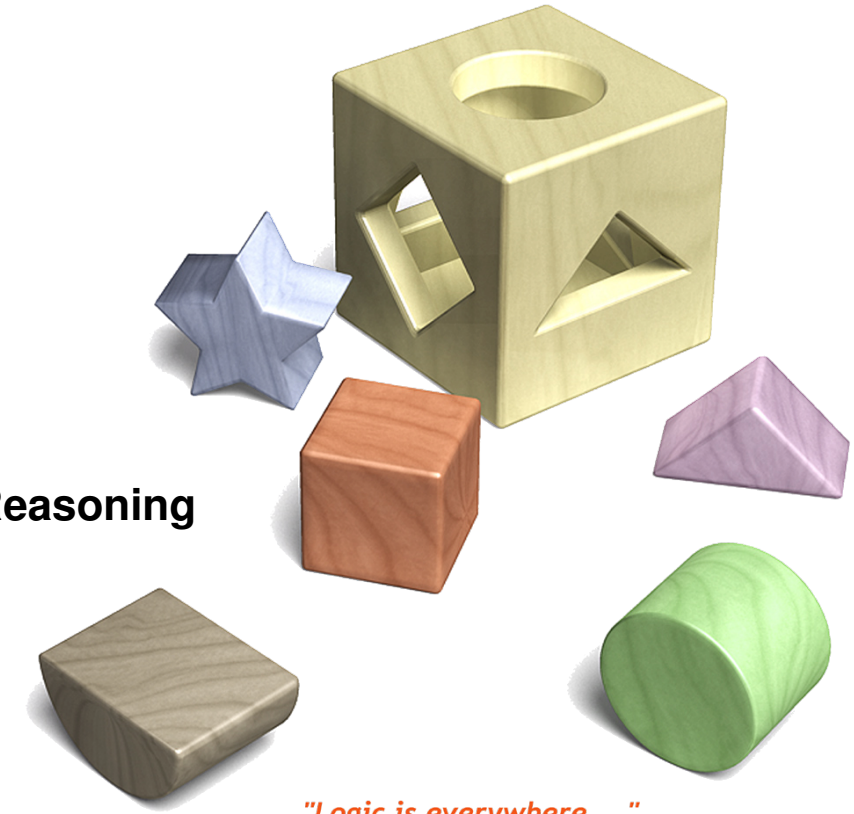

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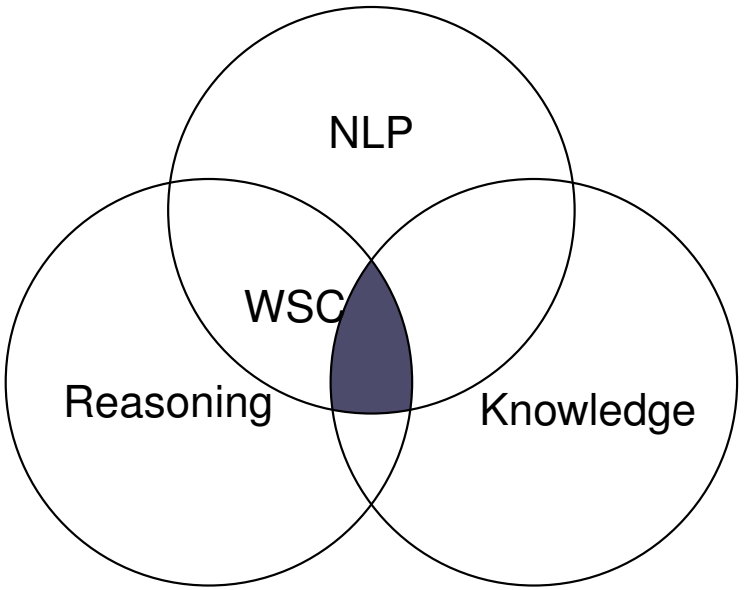

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- **Characteristics:**
  - **Easy to answer for an adult English speaker**
  - **Always contains special word**
  - **Google proof**

Competition

- Competition in 2016 at IJCAI-16
  - Two time-constraint rounds - 210 min. each
    - Pronoun Disambiguation Problems (PDPs) - 60
    - Parts of Winograd Schemas - 150
  - Four competitors
  - Best result: 58% correctly resolved PDPs
  - There was no second round
- Current state-of-the-art (Radford et al., 2019) achieves 70.7% accuracy on the WSs dataset

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Technique	PDPs Size Correct	WSC Size Correct	WSC* Size Correct	Remarks
Supervised ranking SVM model [**?**]	NA	NA	282 - 30% 205 - 73%	-provided additional dataset set -no evaluation on WSC dataset
Classification task with NN [**?**]	NA	282 - 100% 157 - 56%	282 - 30% 177 - 63%	-first to use substitution of the pronoun with the antecedents
Knowledge Enhanced Embeddings (KEE) [**?**]	60-100% 40 - 66.7%	NA	NA	-best results in the 2016 WSC competition
Google's language models [**?**]	60-100% 42 - 70%	273 - 100% 173 - 63.7%	NA	-no reasoning involved in the discovery of the correct answer -state-of-the-art for PDPs
OpenAI language models [**?**]	NA	273 - 100% 193 - 70.70%	NA	-current state-of-the-art for WSC -requires a lot of data for training -results are not reproducible
Graphs with Relevance theory [**?**]	NA	4 - 2.6% 4 - 100%	NA	-manual construction of graphs -first representation of WS as dependency graph
2 identified categories [**?**]	NA	71 -25% 49 - 69%	NA	-first attempt of identifying commonsense knowledge types -developed the KParser
Semantic relations categories [**?**]	NA	100 - 34% 100 - 100%	138 - 14% 111 - 80%	-provided Reasoning Algorithm -identified 12 commonsense types which capture the entire WSC
Knowledge hunting framework [**?**]	NA	273 - 100% 119 - 43.5%	NA	-refined query generation -developed an algorithm for scoring the retrieved sentences

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- Evaluation and results
  - PDPs 70% accuracy
  - WSC 63.7% accuracy

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  1. Semantic graph[1] of the input sentence and question
  2. Semantic graph representation of background knowledge
  3. Graph merging
  4. Project question graph on the merged graph
  5. Answer - the node from the merged graph which is from the same domain as the unknown node from the question graph

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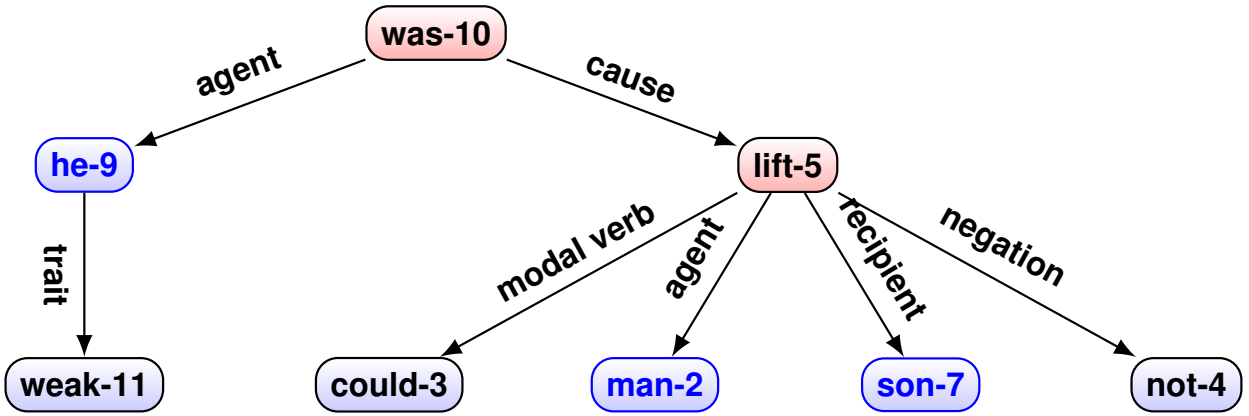

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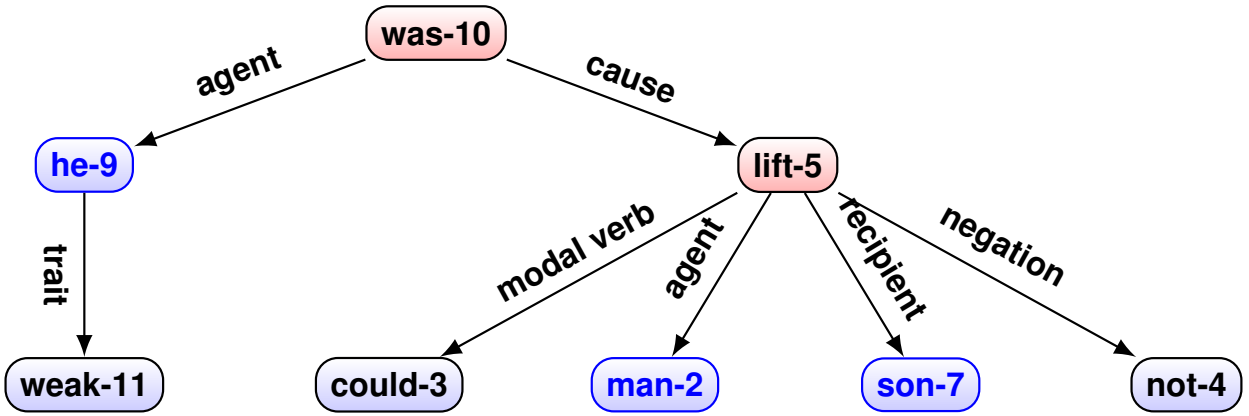

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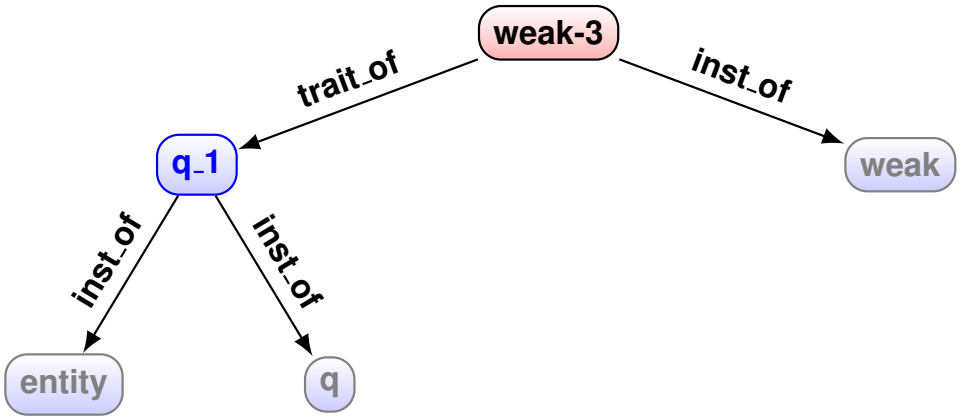

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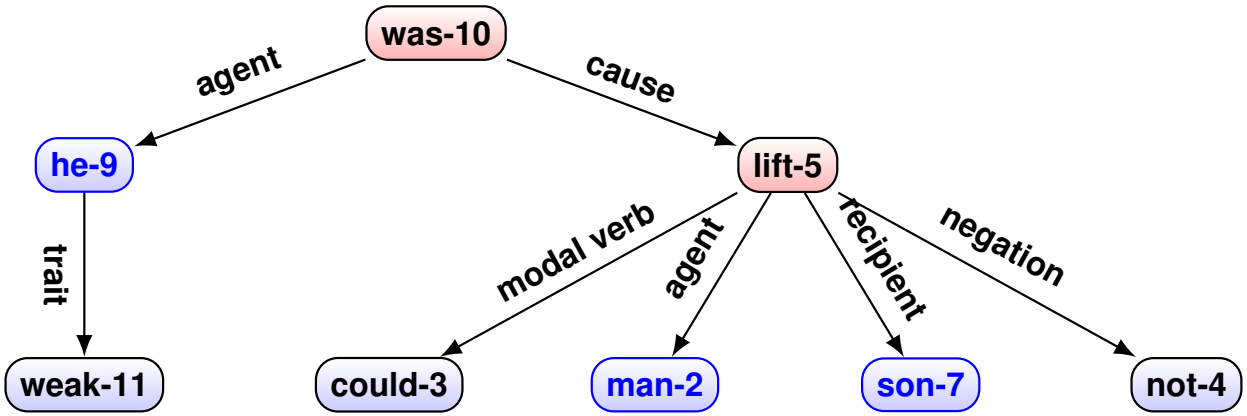

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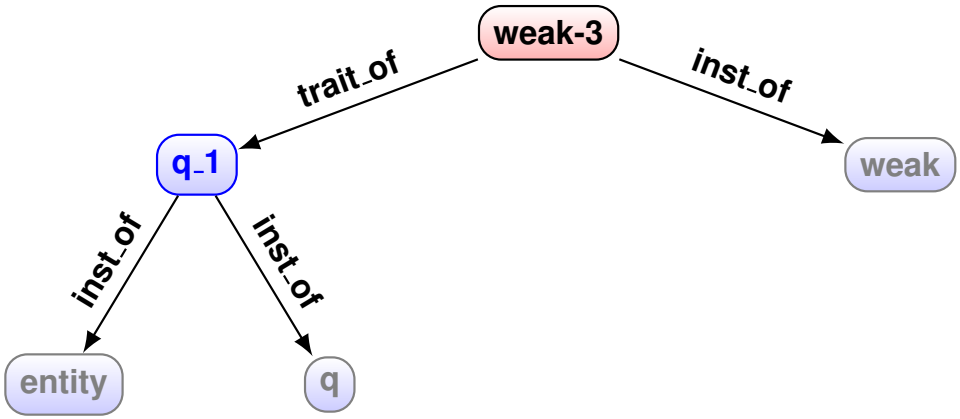
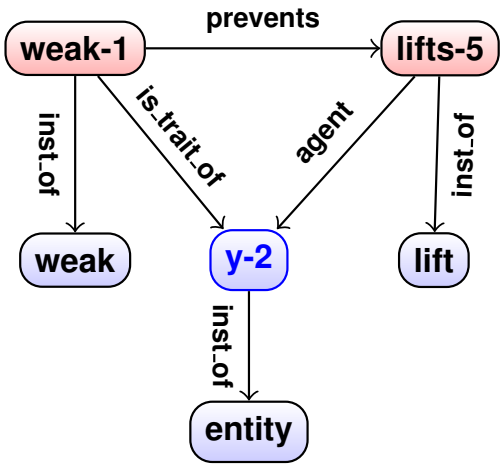


- "weak y prevents y lifts"



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  - **Idea**
    1. **Analyze the input Winograd Schema and identify the domain**
    2. **Search for knowledge specific to this domain**
    3. **Apply reasoning procedure**

Identified Categories

Category	Example
1. Physical	**S:** John couldn't see the stage with Billy in front of him because he is so **[short/tall]**. **Q:** Who is so [short/tall]?
2. Emotional	**S:** Frank felt **[vindicated/crushed]** when his longtime rival Bill revealed that he was the winner of the competition. **Q:** Who was the winner of the competition?
3. Interactions	**S:** Joan made sure to thank Susan for all the help she had **[given/received]**. **Q:** Who had [given/received] help?
4. Comparison	**S:** Joe's uncle can still beat him at tennis, even though he is 30 years **[older/younger]**. **Q:** Who is [older/younger]?
5. Causal	**S:** Pete envies Martin **[because/although]** he is very successful. **Q:** Who is very successful?
6. Multiple knowledge	**S:** Sam and Amy are passionately in love, but Amy's parents are unhappy about it, because they are **[snobs/fifteen]**. **Q:** Who are [snobs/fifteen]?

Annotation of Winograd Schemas

- **Strong agreement between the annotators**
  Cohen's kappa score 0.66
- **Annotation Results**

Category	Annotator 1	Annotator 2
Physical	36	39
Emotions	7	9
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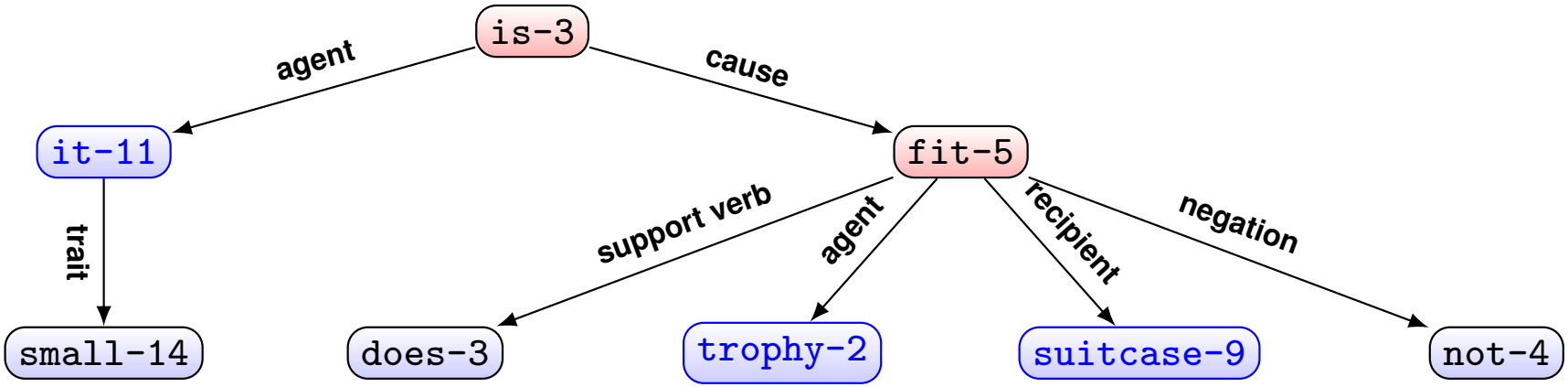

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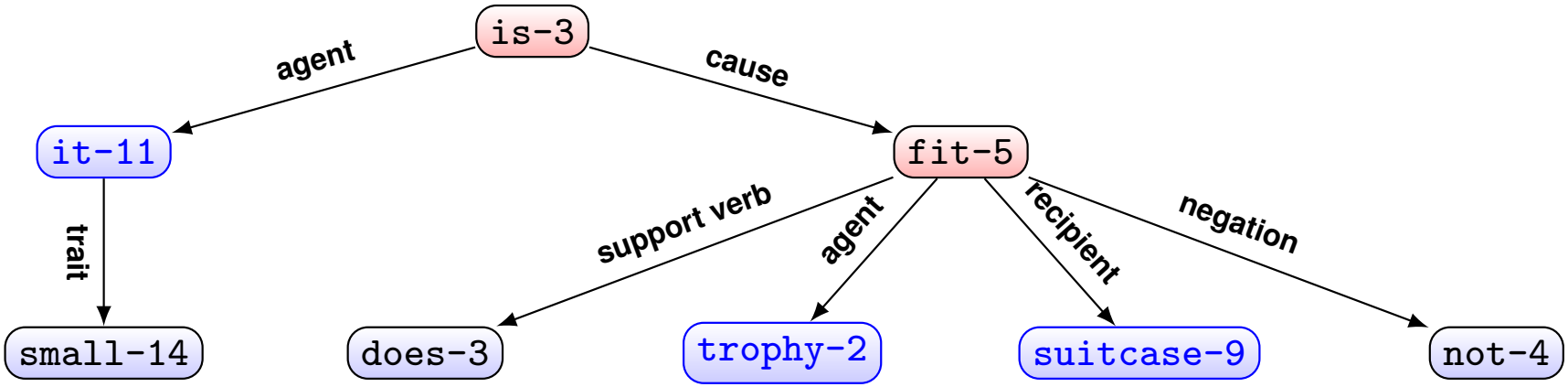

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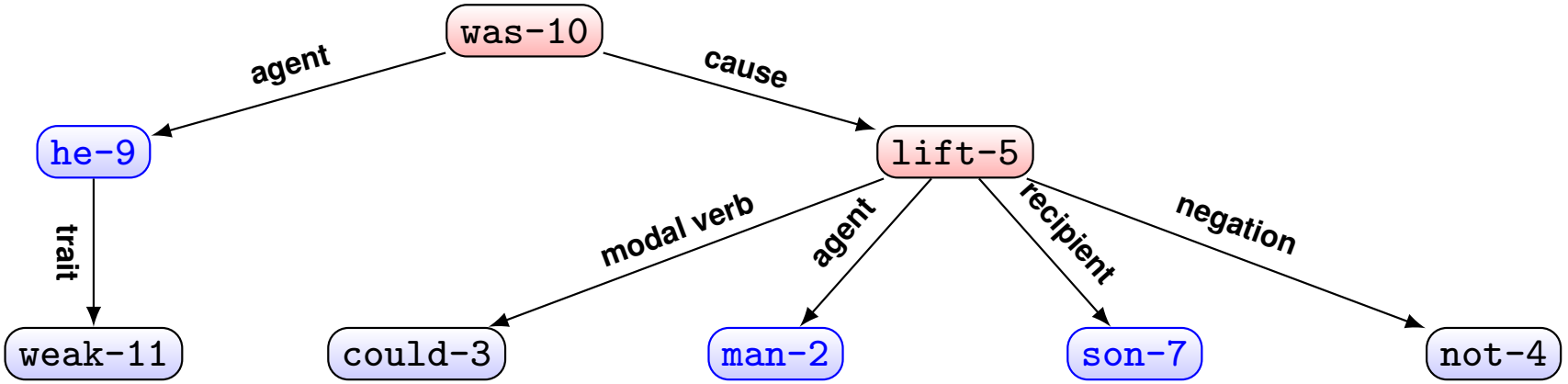

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- Reasoning Algorithm
- Change of background knowledge
  - has_k(weak,prevents,lift).

Contributions

- Overview of different approaches towards WSC
- None achieves close to 90% accuracy
- We analyzed the entire WSC corpus and identified 6 categories
- We identified a mistake in the Reasoning Algorithm and proposed a correction

Future Work

- **Formalization of the characteristics for each category**
- **Knowledge-enhanced neural networks**

Thank you!