# On Commonsense Domains within the Winograd Schema Challenge

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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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	PDPs	WSC	WSC*	
Technique	Size	Size	Size	Remarks
•	Correct	Correct	Correct	
Supervised ranking	NA	NA	282 - 30%	-provided additional dataset set
SVM model [?]			205 - 73%	-no evaluation on WSC dataset
Classification task	NA	282 - 100%	282 - 30%	-first to use substitution of the
with NN [?]		157 - 56%	177 - 63%	pronoun with the antecedents
Knowledge Enhanced			-best results in the 2016	
Embeddings (KEE) [?]			WSC competition	
Google's language	60-100% 42 - 70%	273 - 100% 173 - 63.7%	NA	-no reasoning involved in the
models [?]				discovery of the correct answer
	42 7070			-state-of-the-art for PDPs
OpenAl language	NA	273 - 100% 193 - 70.70%	NA	-current state-of-the-art for WSC
models [?]				-requires a lot of data for training
models [1]				-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	NA	71 -25% 49 - 69%	NA	-first attempt of identifying
categories [?]				commonsense knowledge types
categories [1]				-developed the KParser
Semantic relations categories [?]	NA	100 - 34% 100 - 100%	138 - 14% 111 - 80%	-provided Reasoning Algorithm
				-identified 12 commonsense types
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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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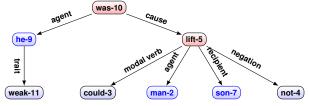
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  - 1. Semantic graph of the input sentence and question
  - 2. Semantic graph representation of background knowledge
  - 3. Graph merging
  - 4. Project question graph on the merged graph
  - Answer the node from the merged graph which is from the same domain as the unknown node from the question graph



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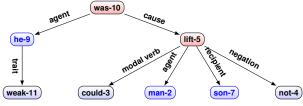
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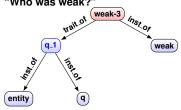


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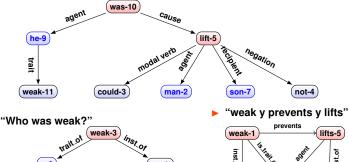


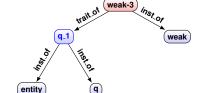
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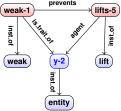


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  - Idea
    - Analyze the input Winograd Schema and identify the domain
    - 2. Search for knowledge specific to this domain
    - 3. Apply reasoning procedure
- Categorization based on the content of the Winograd sentence

## **Identified Categories**

Category	Example			
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]?			

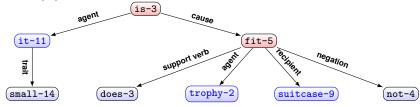
### **Annotation of Winograd Schemas**

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

Category	Annotator 1 # - %	Annotator 2 # - %
Physical	36 - 24%	39 - 26%
Emotions	7 - 4.6%	9 - 6%
Interactions	44 - 29.3%	24 - 16%
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Causal	16 - 10.6%	18 - 12%
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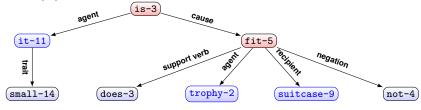
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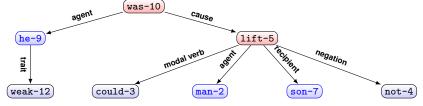


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- Reasoning Algorithm
- Change of background knowledge
  - has\_k(weak,prevents,lift).

### **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!