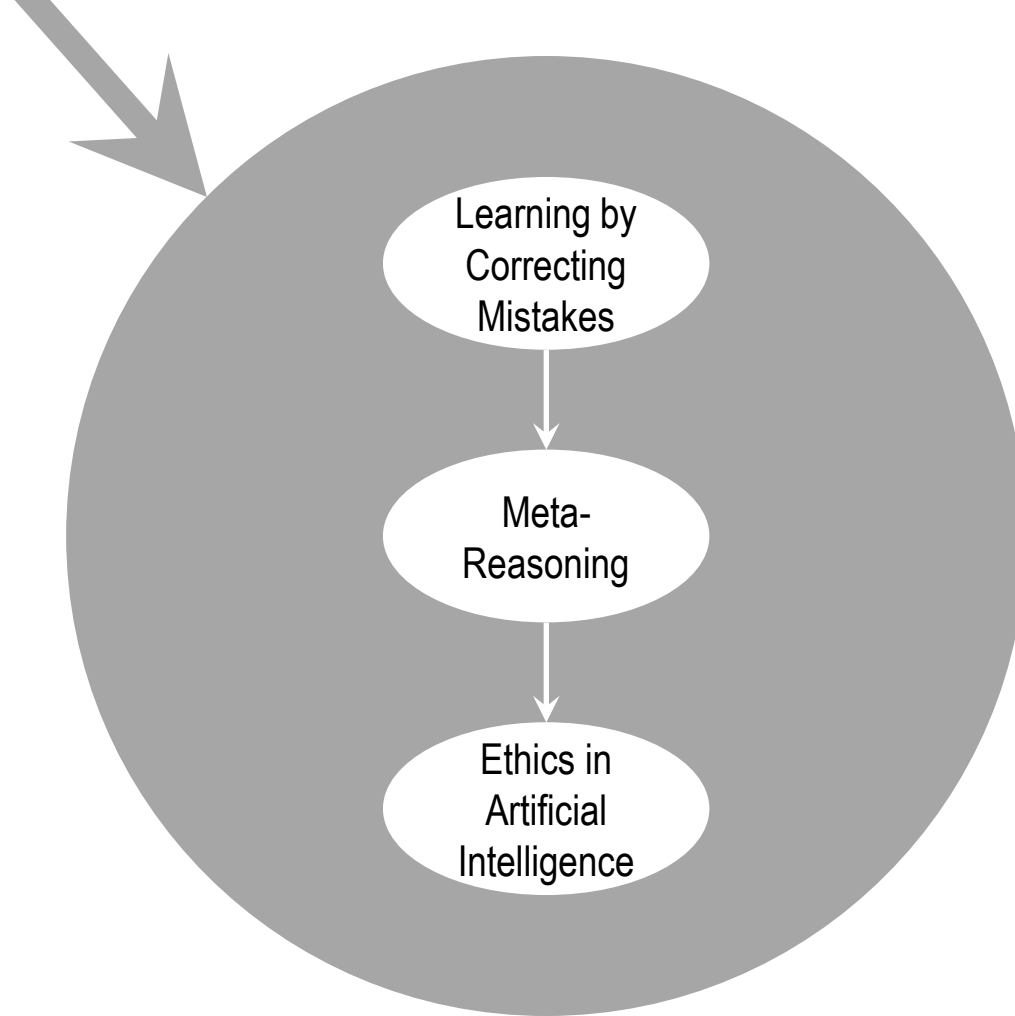


Learning by  
Correcting  
Mistakes

# Metacognition



## Lesson Preview

- Explanation-based learning revisited
- Isolating mistakes
- Explaining mistakes
- Correcting mistakes

## A Cup

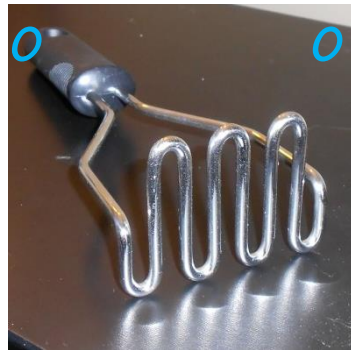
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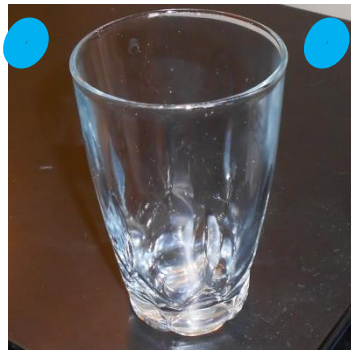
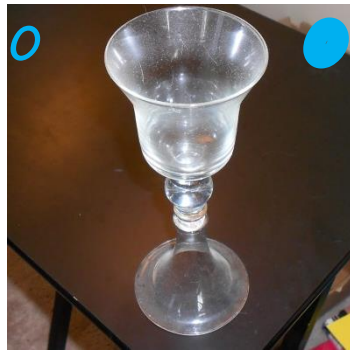
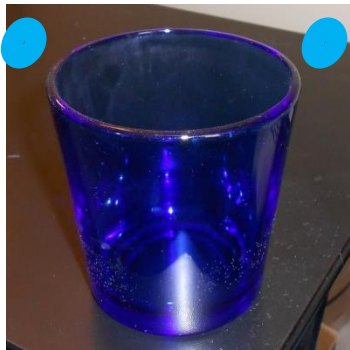
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Can we prove this object is a cup?

Which of these  
objects are cups?  
Check the box in the  
top left for each  
cup.



Which of these  
objects meet our  
definition of a cup?  
Check the box in the  
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object that meets  
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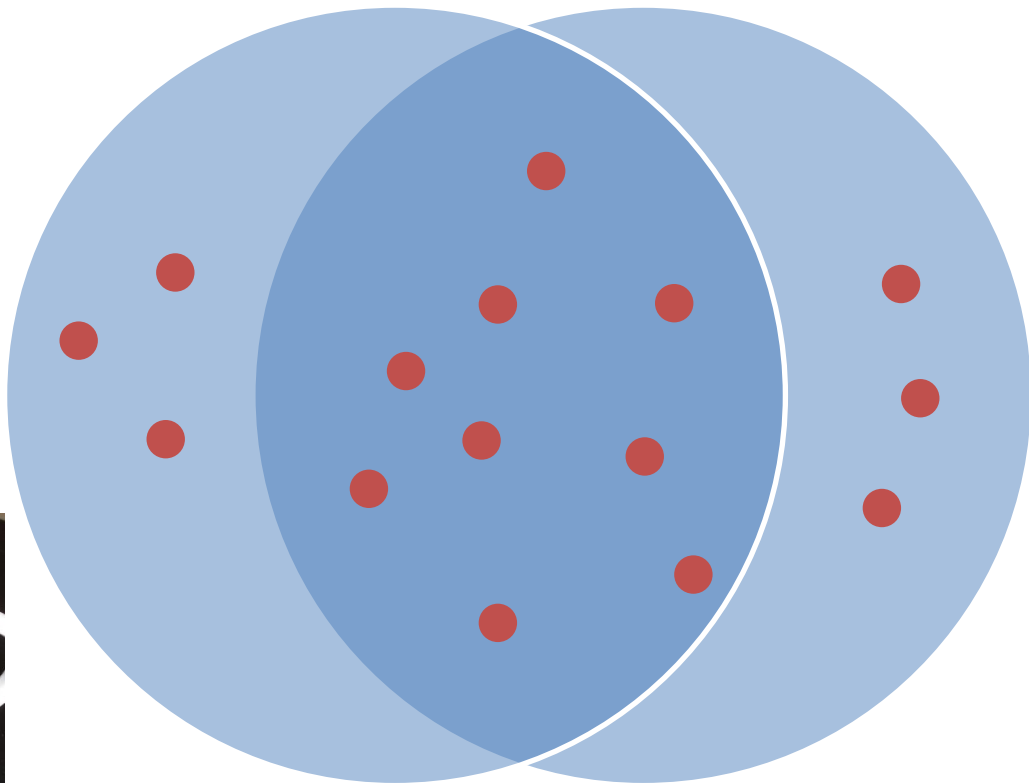
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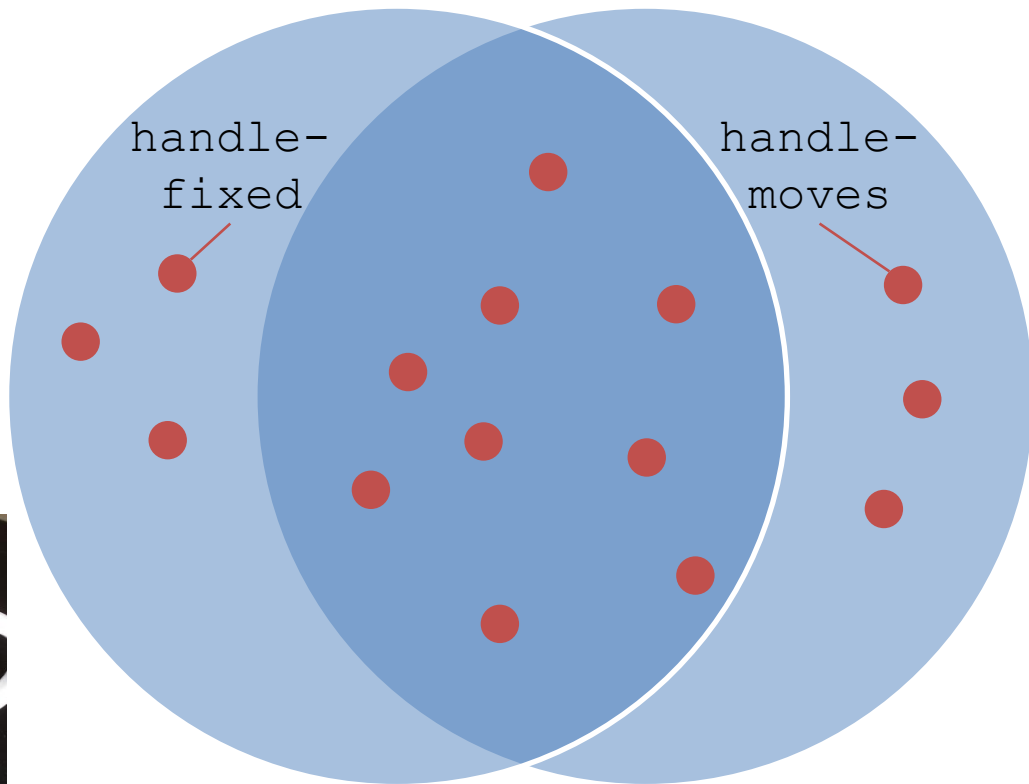
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# *Algorithm for Isolating Mistakes*

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## *Old Rule*

If:

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Bottom is flat

Object has concavity

Object is lightweight

Object has a handle

Then:

Object is a cup

## *New Rule*

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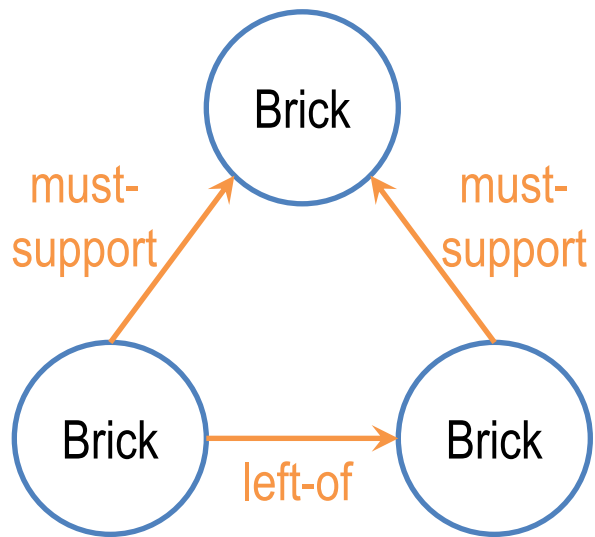
Object has a handle

Handle is fixed

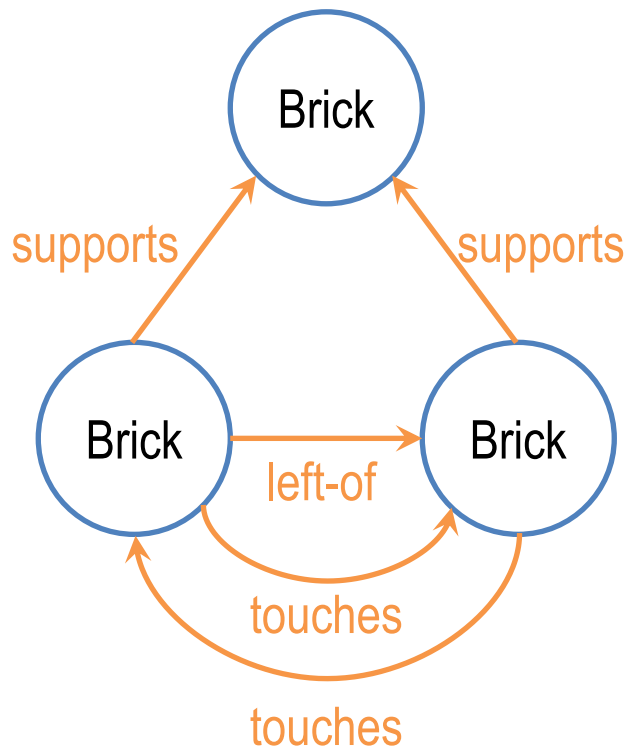
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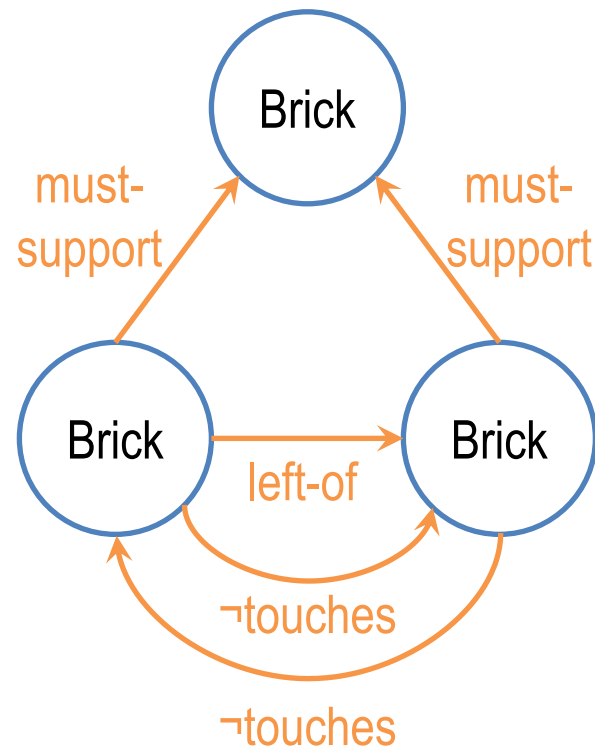
*Current Concept*



*Not an Arch*



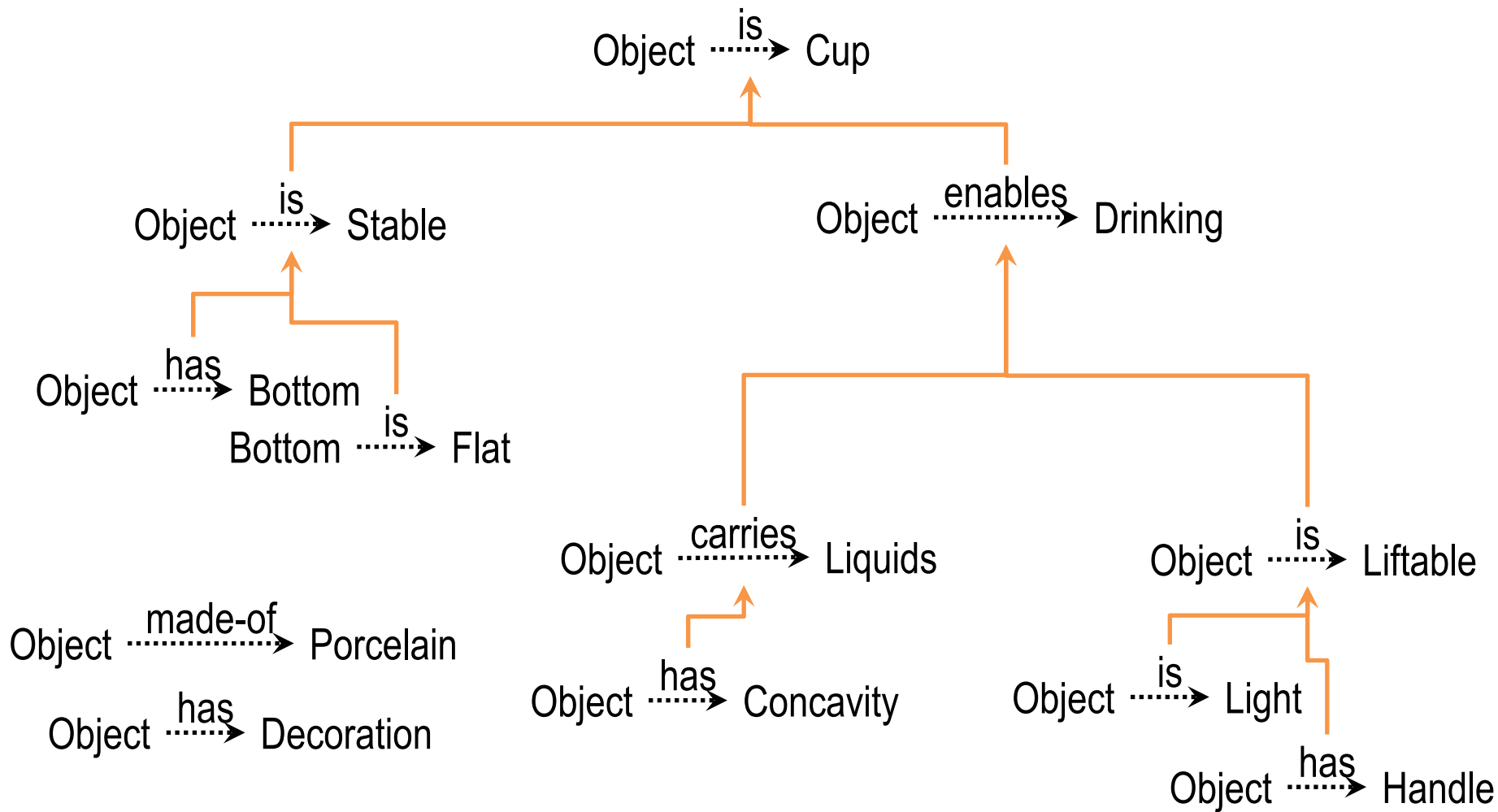
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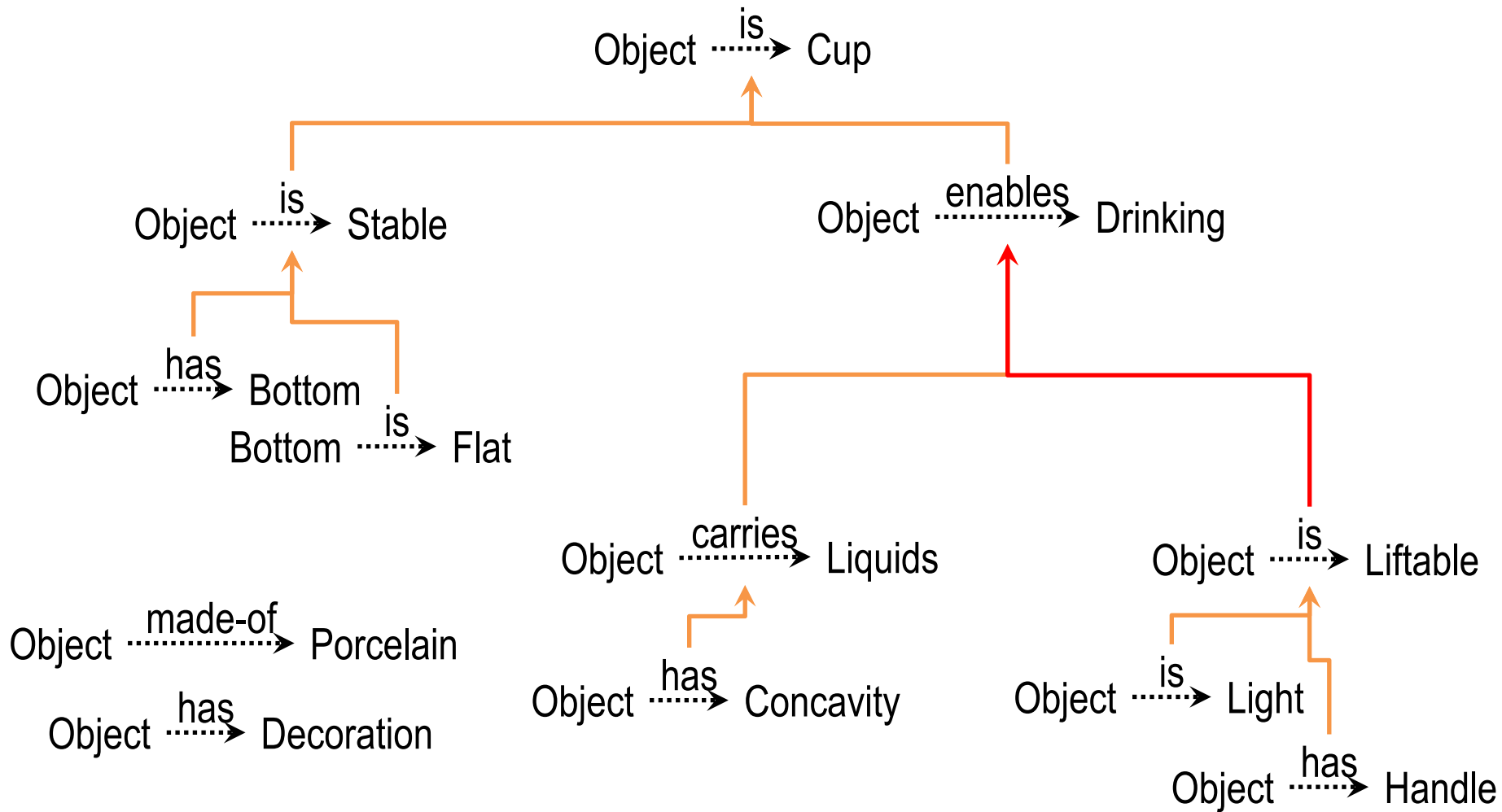


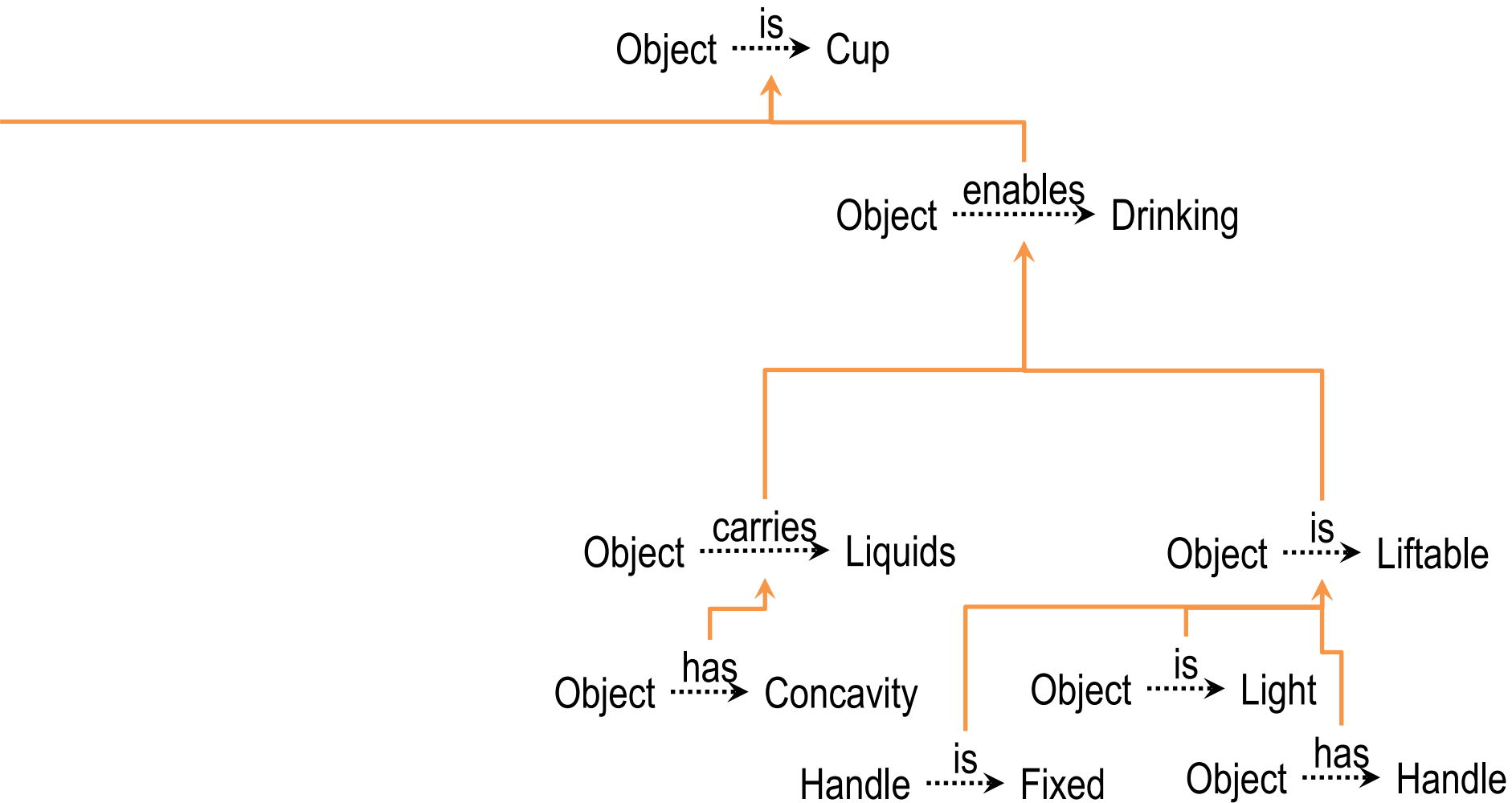
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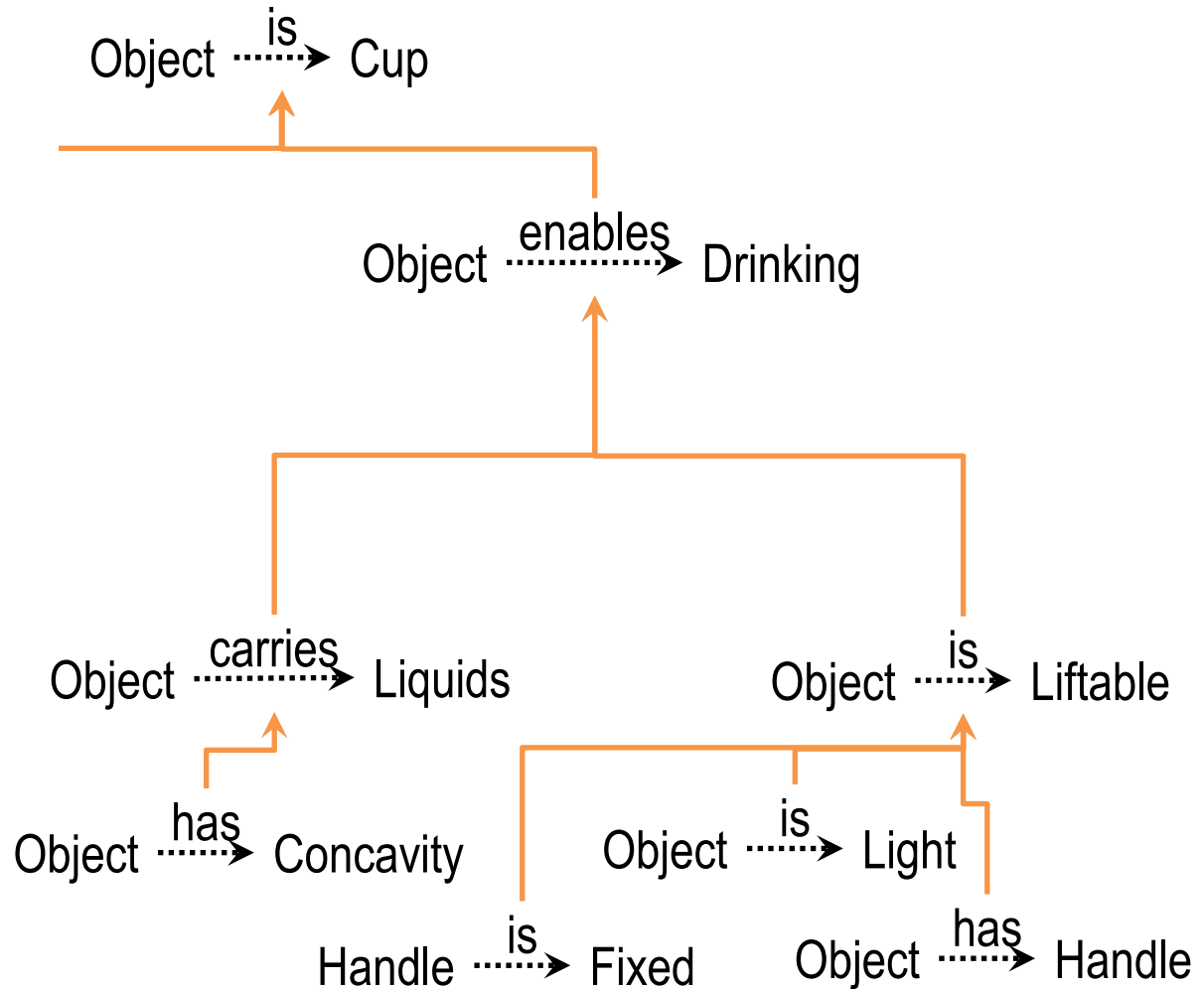


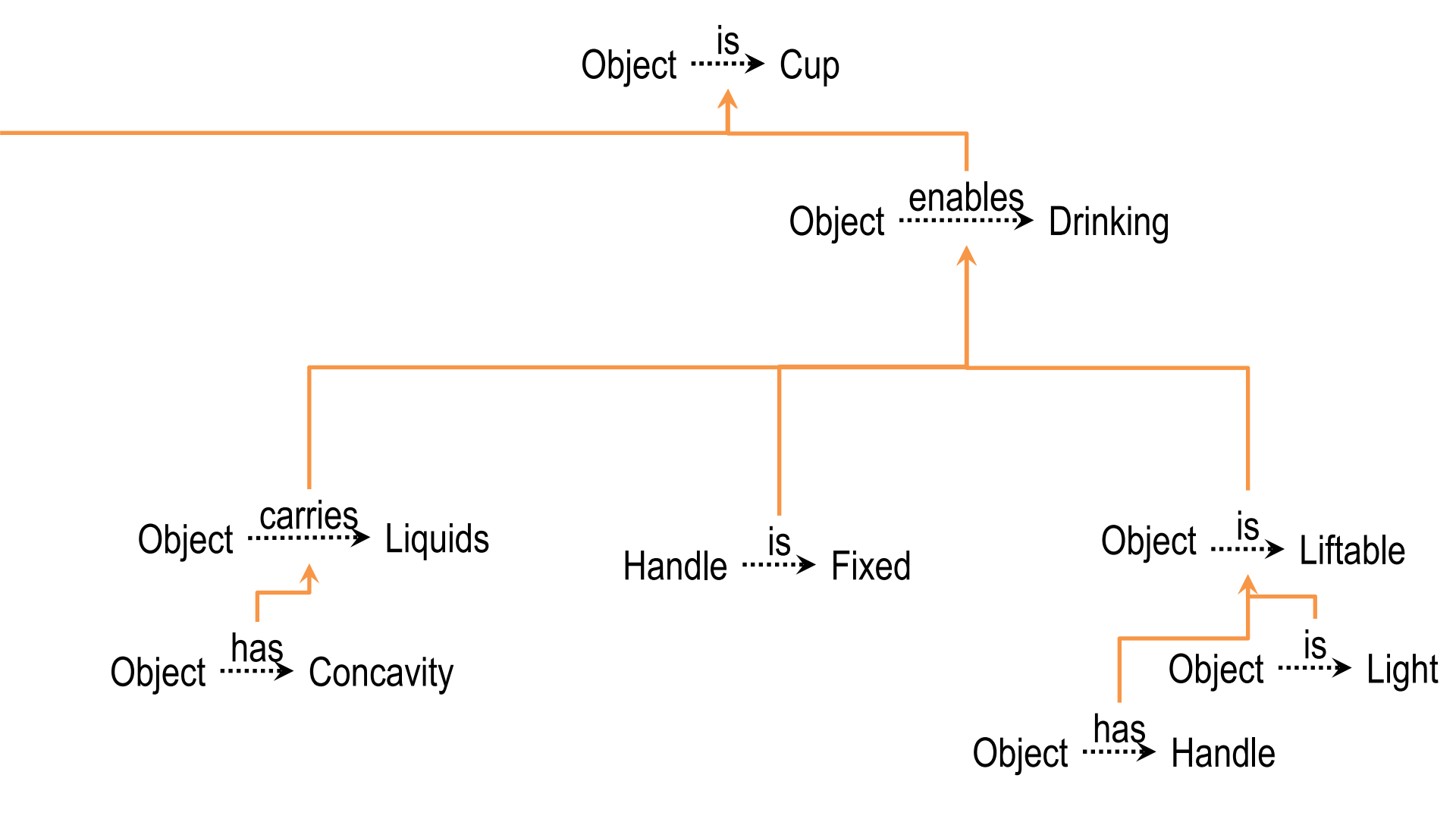


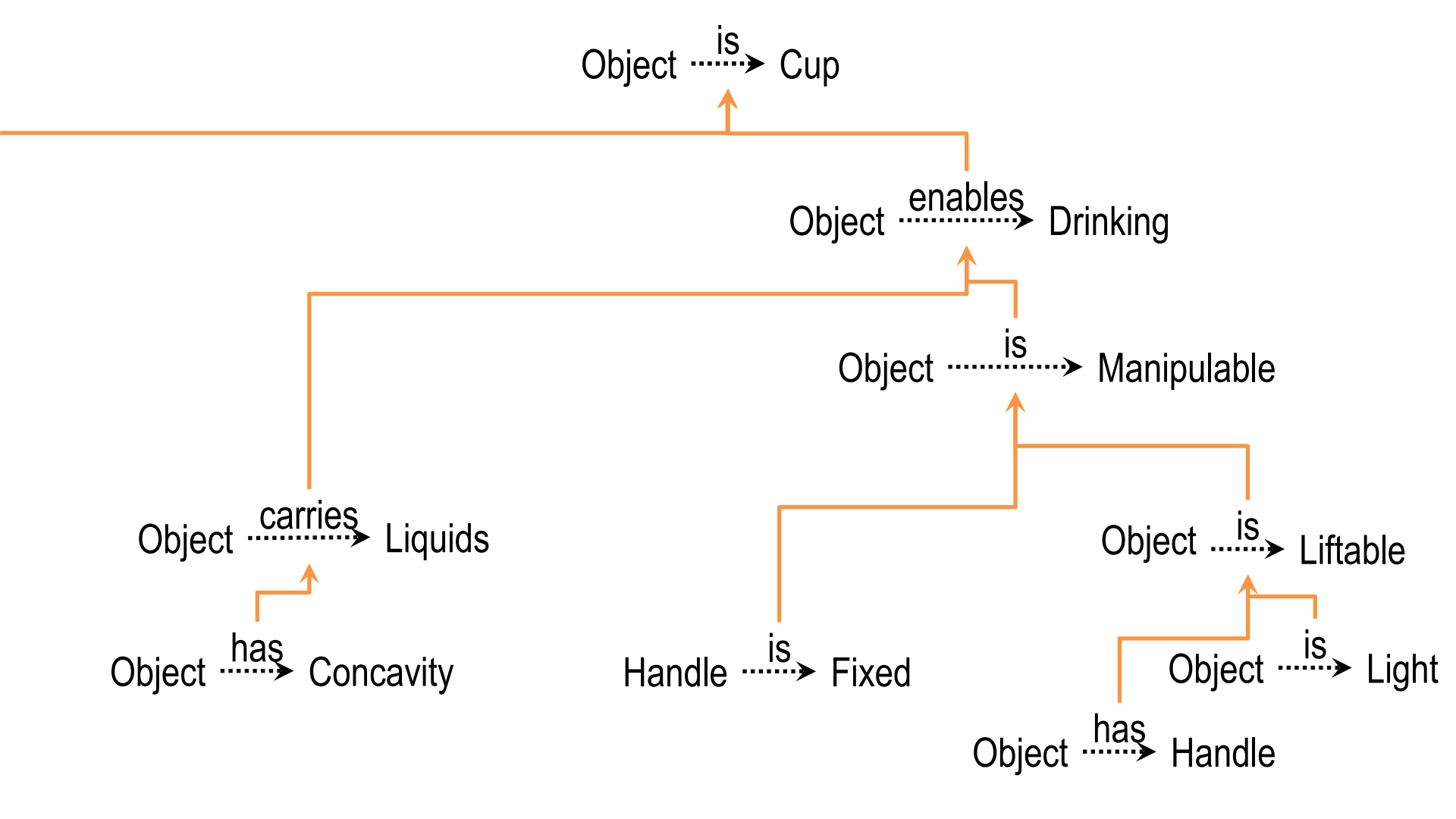


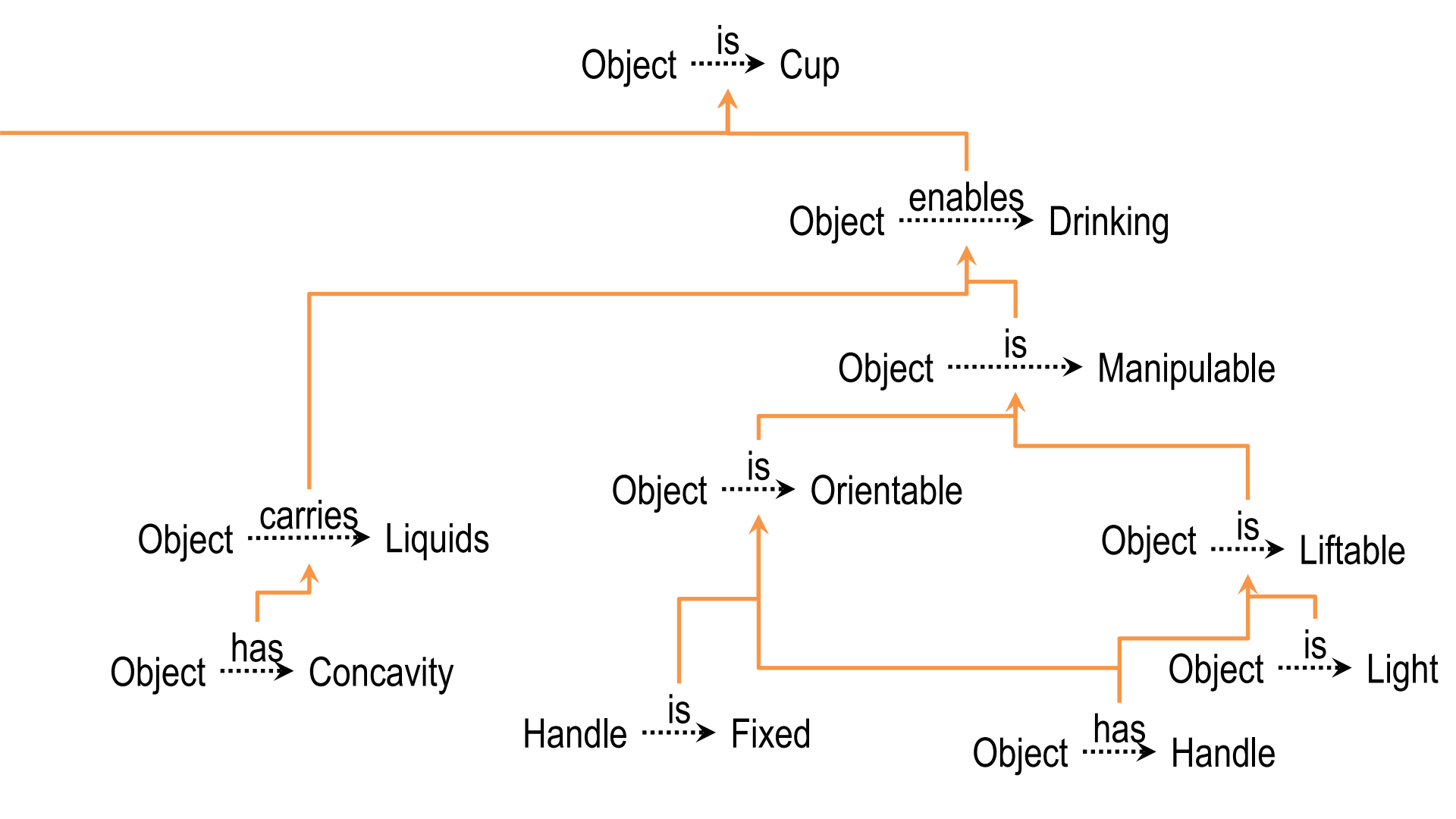
Is this a good way to fix this error?

- o Yes, because it shows only fixed-handle cups enable drinking.
- o No, because it will exclude some actual cups.
- o No, because some non-cups will still be included.
- No, because it will cause incorrect decisions about other objects.

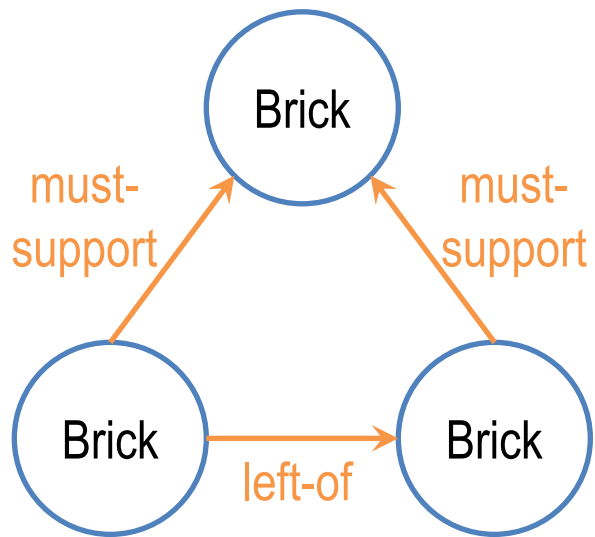




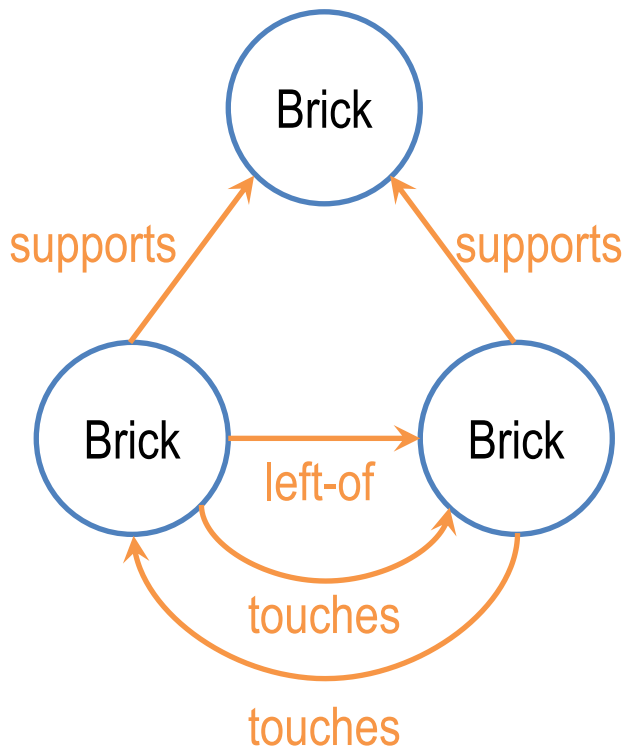




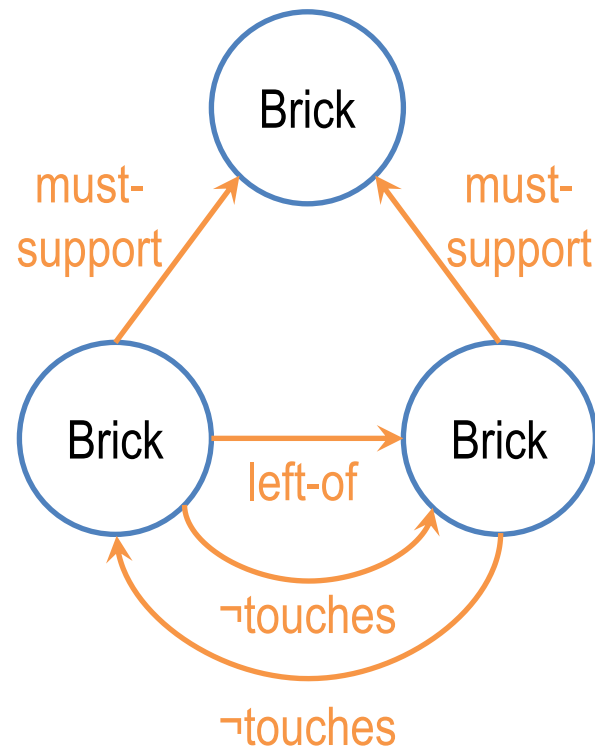
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## Assignment

How would you use diagnosis to design an agent that could answer Raven's progressive matrices?

## To recap...

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