

# **Information packaging relations**

**Taxonomy, Partonomy, Attributes**

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# KEY



taxonomic relation



prototype hyponym



other hyperonym-hyponym relation



marginal or not really hyponym



primary partonomic relation



head partonym



other partonomic relation



feature/attribute relation

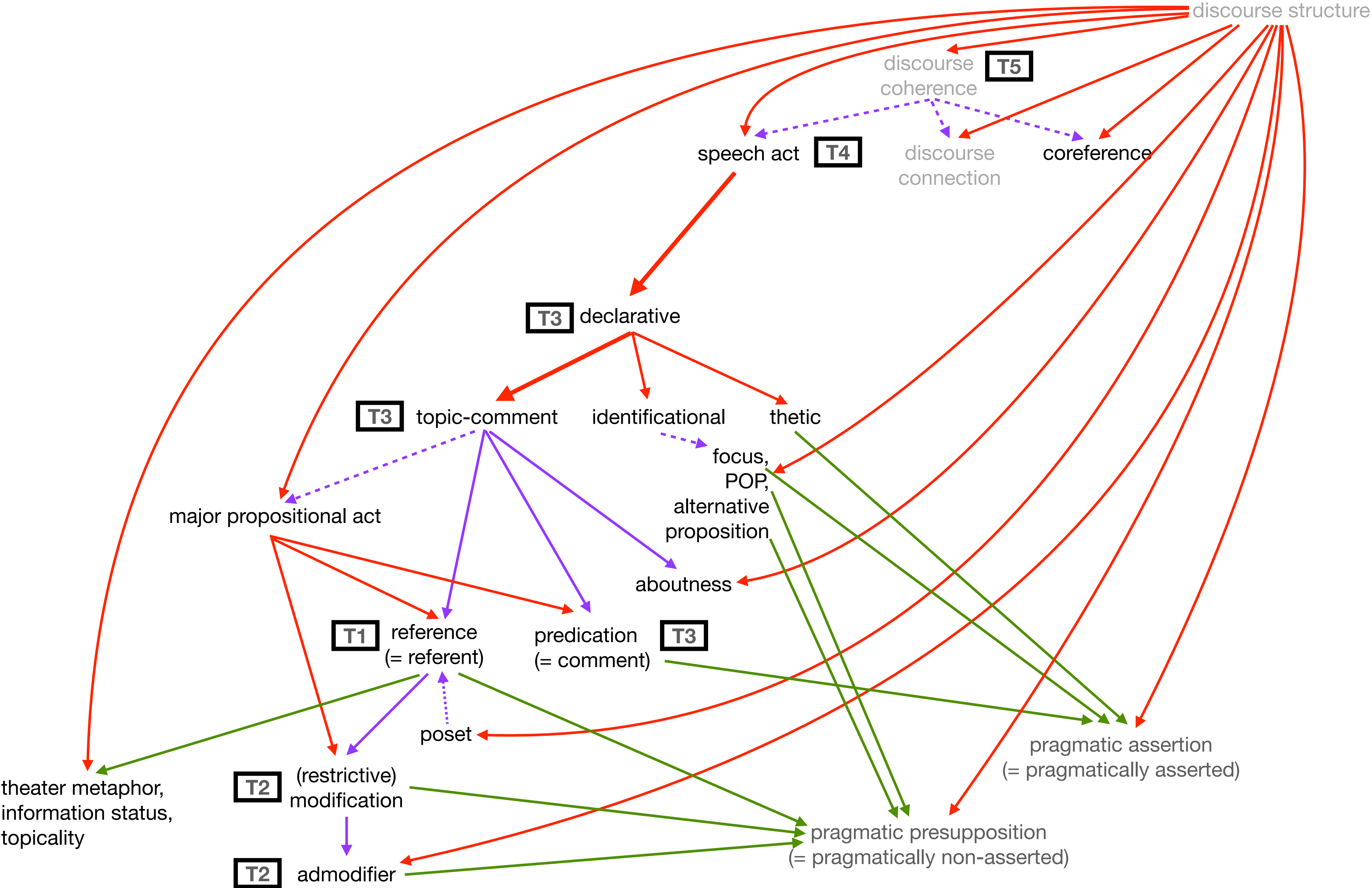
information

information packaging term not in *Morphosyntax* (but should be)

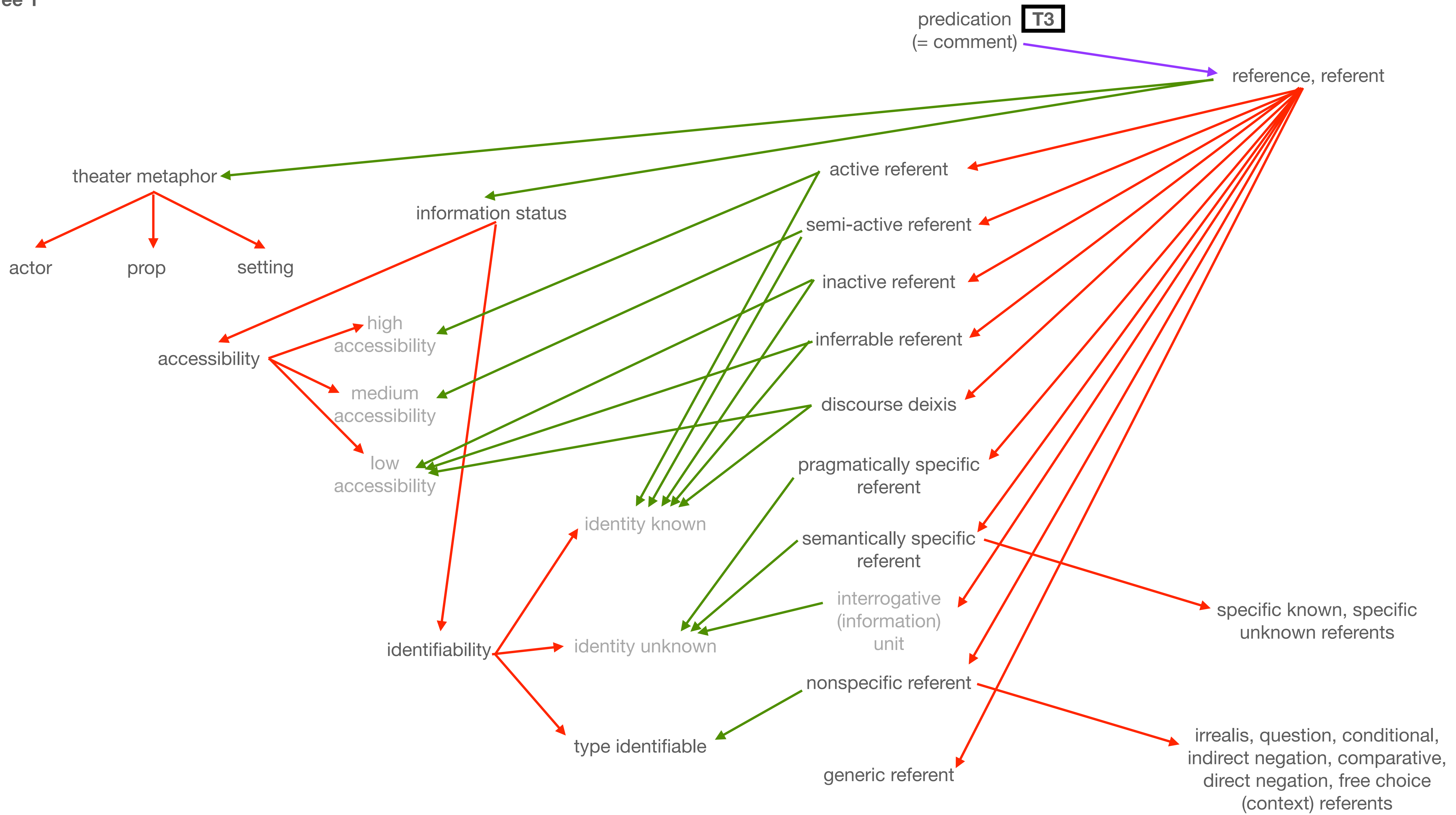


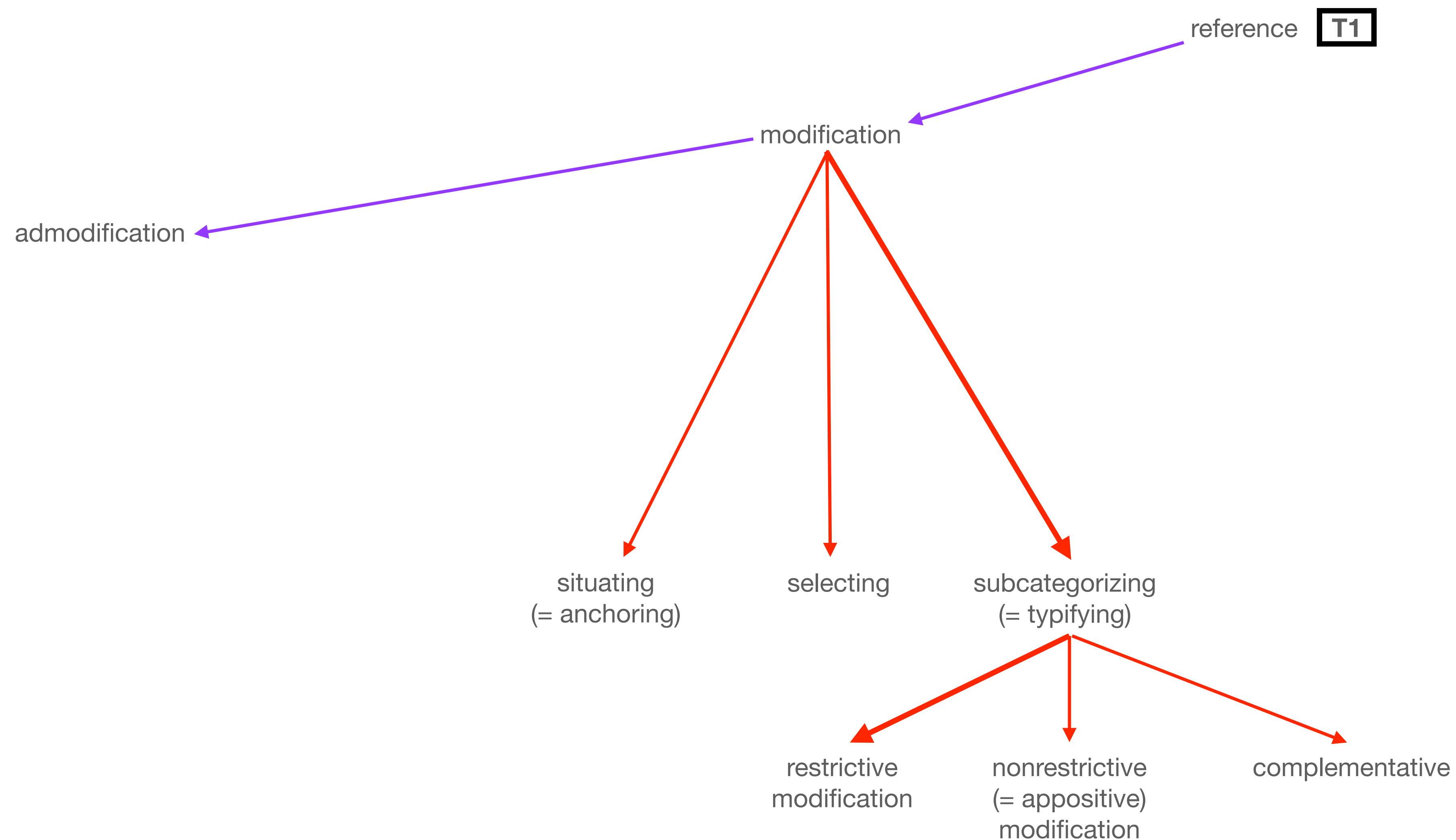
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THE TRUNK  
OF  
THE TREE



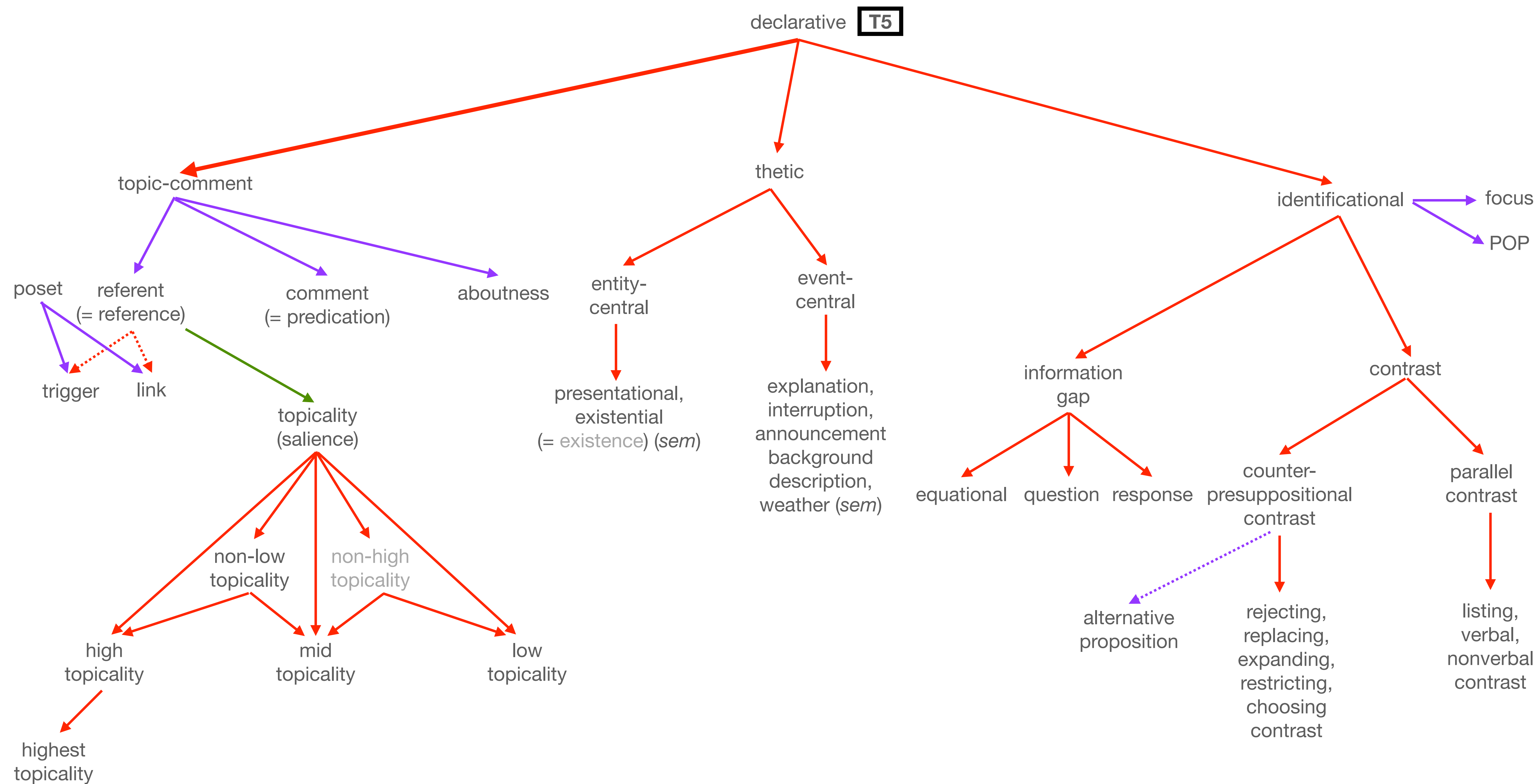
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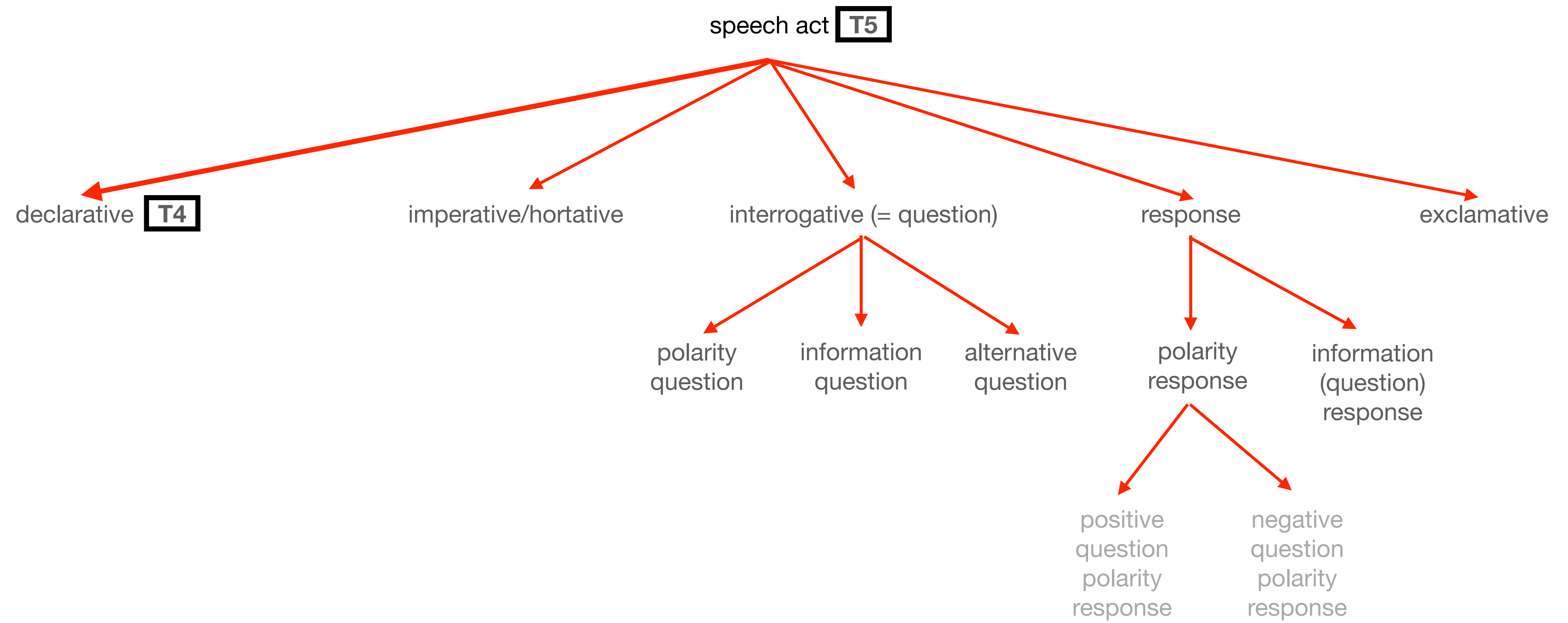


**NB:** In *Morphosyntax*, I treated subcategorizing, selecting and situating as subtypes of modification. However, in Croft (2007) I analyzed the three as also applying to predication. Selecting and situating correspond roughly to aspect and tense/modality respectively. I do not cover these latter phenomena in *Morphosyntax*, except as they are part of TAMP constructions. Subcategorizing characterizes at least some types of complex predication (e.g. manner complex predicates, which are event-oriented), but I do not focus on that in *Morphosyntax*.

Tree 4



Tree 5



Tree 5

**T4**

speech act

discourse  
connection

discourse  
coherence

coreference

complex  
figure

figure-  
ground

token  
identity

type  
identity

pragmatic  
assertion  
(≈ event-as-figure)

pragmatic  
presupposition  
(≈ event-as-ground)

logophoric  
subject  
identity

different-subject  
(= DS)

same-subject  
(= SS)  
(=subject  
identity)

object  
identity

predicate  
identity

referent  
type  
identity

