

# FEEL: Featured Event Embedding Learning

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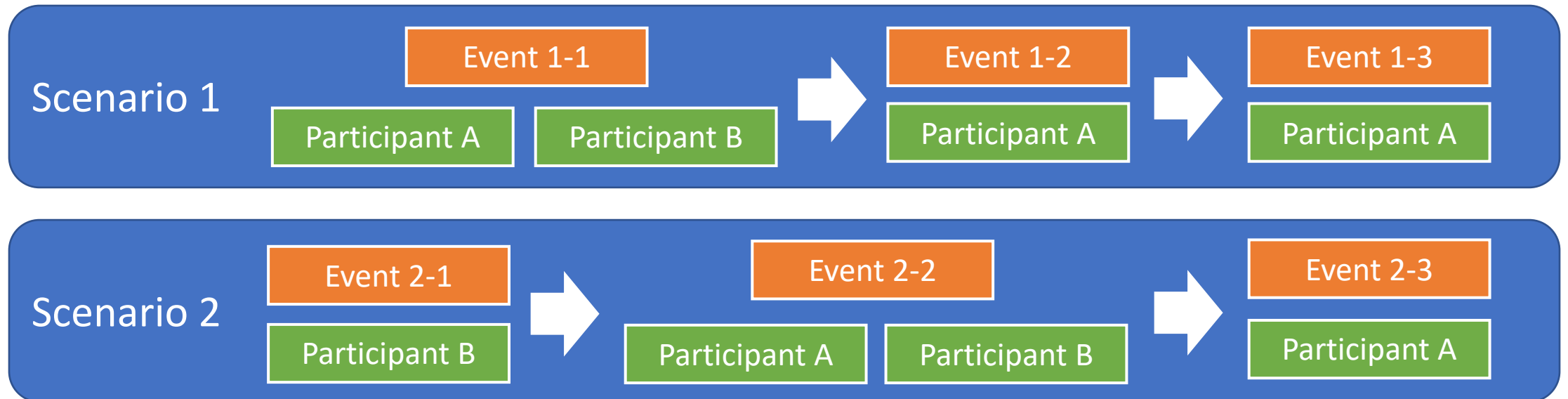
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# Introduction

- *Statistical Script Learning (SSL)* is one efficient way to acquire **world knowledge**, conduct **common sense reasoning**, and **disambiguate texts**.
  - The learned models are helpful in many Natural Language Processing (NLP) tasks that need common sense inference, such as **question answering**, **machine reading**, **coreference resolution** and so on.

# What is “Scripts”?

- *Scripts*, introduced by *Schank and Abelson (1977)*, are **structured knowledge representations** capturing the relationships between **event sequences and their participants**.
  - Scenarios repeat themselves.

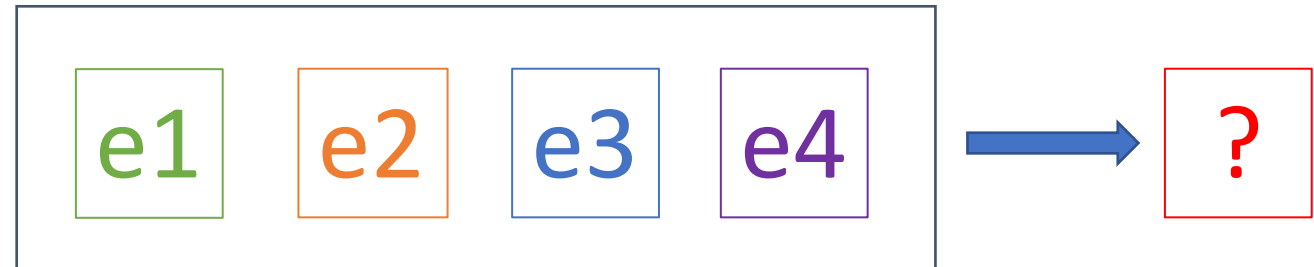


# How to use SSL models?

Jenny went to a restaurant and ordered  
a lasagna plate. Jenny liked the food  
and felt satisfied.

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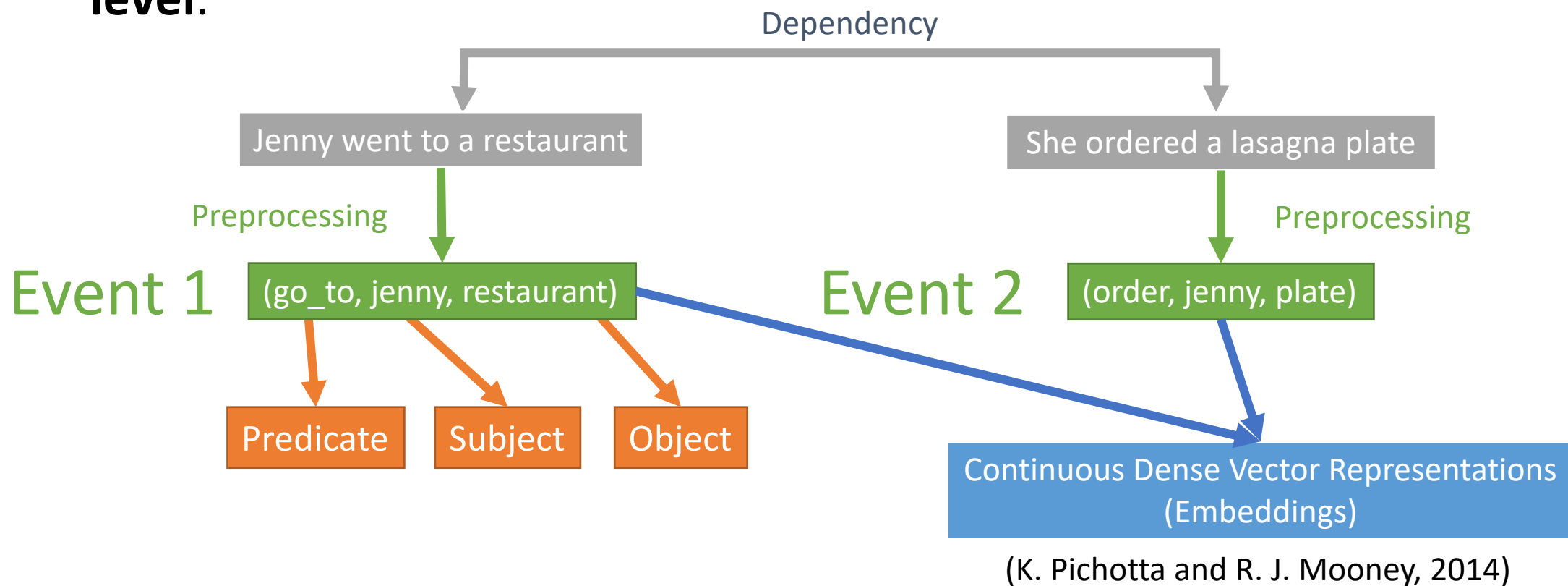
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- (e) She was angry



Narrative Cloze Test (Chamber and Jurafsky 08')  
Multiple-Choice (Granroth-Wilding et al., 2016)

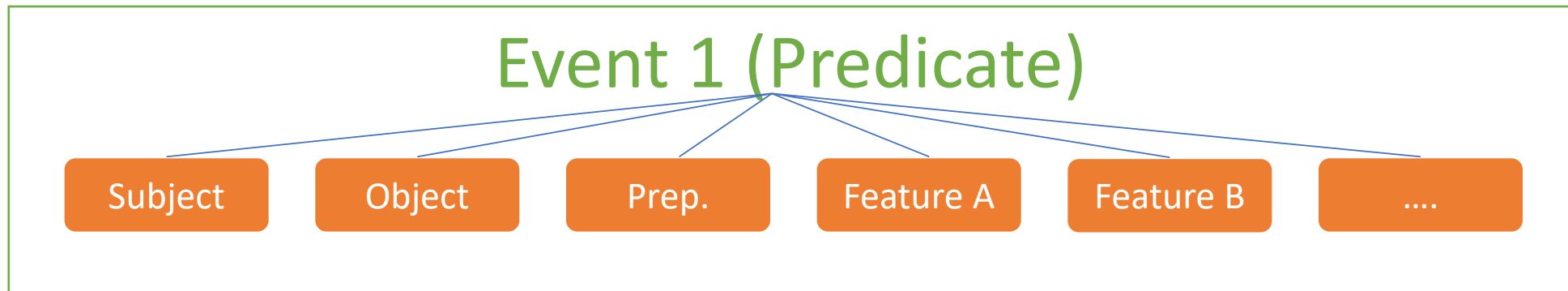
# Previous Works

- Previous works focus on capturing patterns between events at **lexicon level**.



# FEEL: Featured Event Embedding Learning

- We propose *FEEL*, an SSL model, which is designed to capture **fine-grained event features** that can be exploited to reduce ambiguity when inferring future events.
  - We believe considering an event as **an predicate and a set of interested features** is a more flexible setting, as it allows plug-in features.

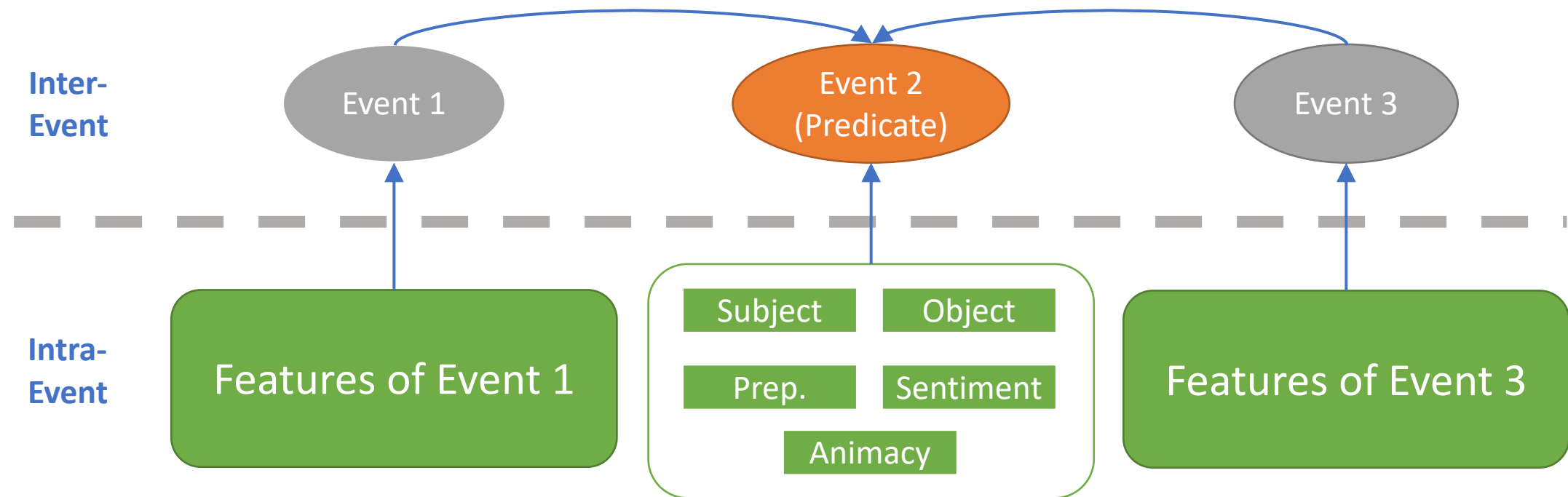


# Example Features

- *Sentiment Polarity* of a given event can impact the probability distribution of future events
  - Given “Jenny liked the food” *Positive Sentiment*
  - “She left a big tip” is more probable than “She scolded the server” to happen  
*Positive* *Negative*
- *Animacy* of the event arguments
  - “This song is sick!”
  - “This person is sick!”

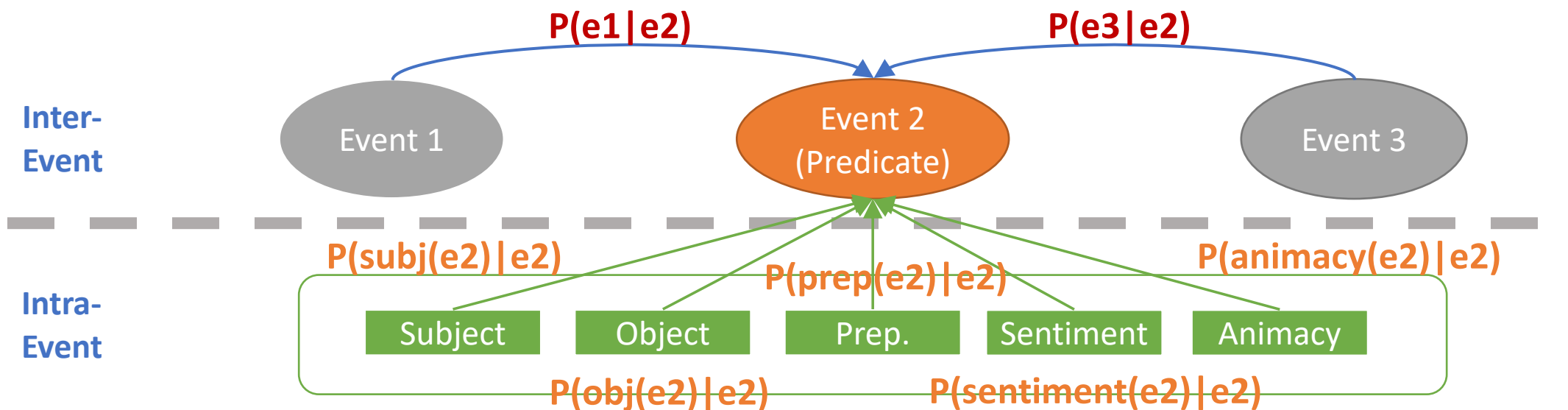
# Hierarchical Script Model

- Event sequences are hierarchical in nature if we consider their features





# Model Objectives



$$p(C(e)|e) = \prod_{e' \in C(e)} p(e'|e) = \prod_{e' \in C(e)} \frac{\exp(v_{e'} \cdot v_e)}{\sum_{e^* \in E} \exp(v_{e^*} \cdot v_e)}$$

Skip-Gram (T. Mikolov et al., 2013)

# Multi-Task Learning

- We have
  - the inter-event objective:
    - *event-event* (*C*)
  - the intra-event objectives:
    - *event-subj* (*S*), *event-object* (*O*), *event-prep* (*P*), *event-sentiment* (*S*), *event-animacy* (*A*)
- Optimize them using Margin-based Ranking Loss

$$L_i(e) = \sum_{e' \in c(e)} \sum_{e^* \notin c(e)} \max(0, \delta - v_e \cdot v_{e'} + v_e \cdot v_{e^*})$$

$$i \in \{C, S, O, P, T, A\}$$

$$\mathcal{L}(e) = \lambda_r ||w|| + \sum_{i \in \{C, S, O, P, T, A\}} \lambda_i L_i$$

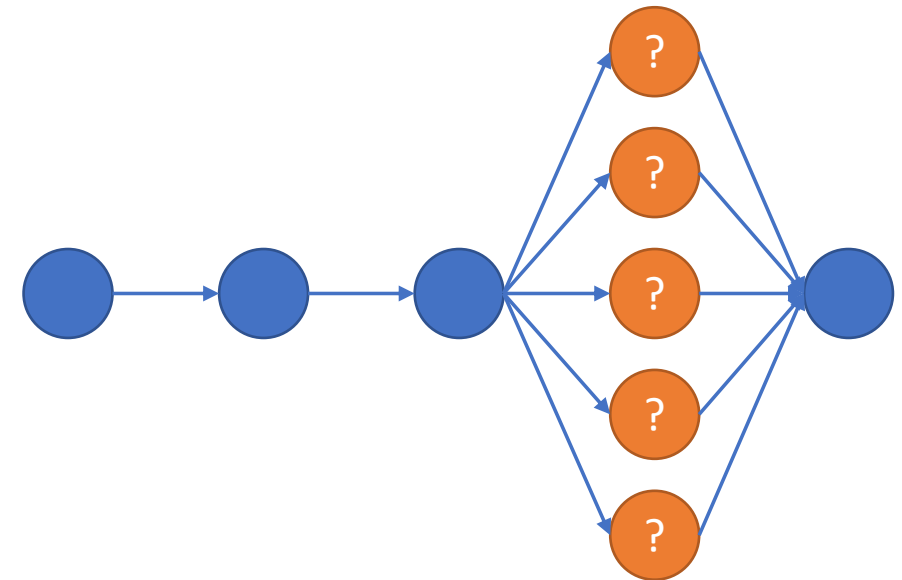
# Basic Evaluation: Multi-Choice Narrative Cloze (MCNC)

(Granroth-Wilding et al., 2016)

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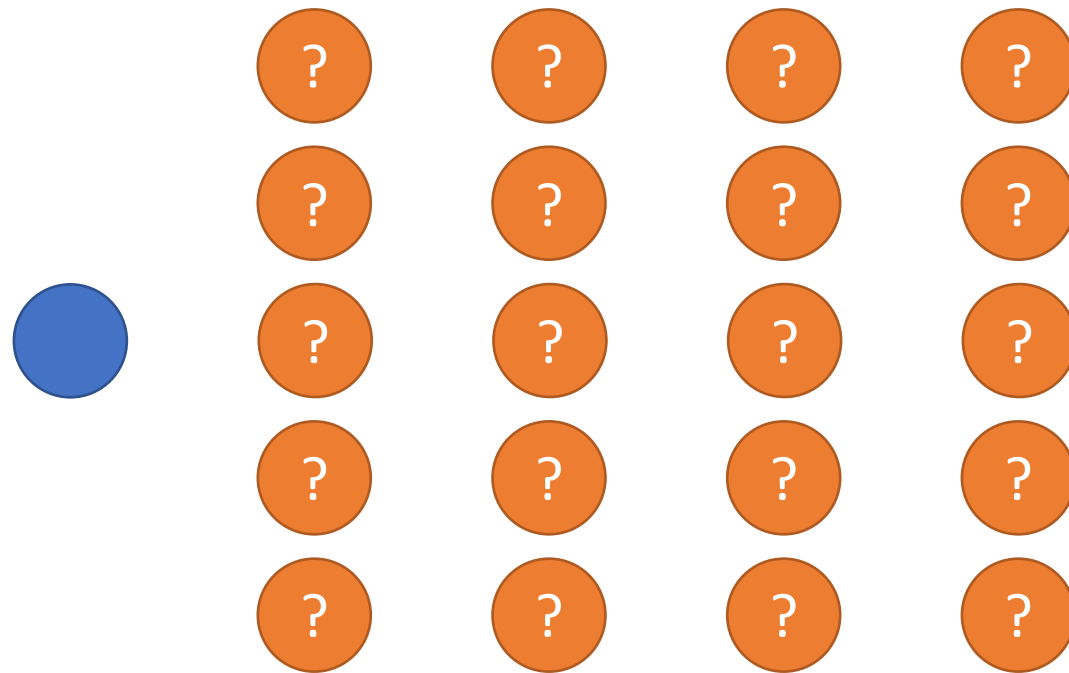
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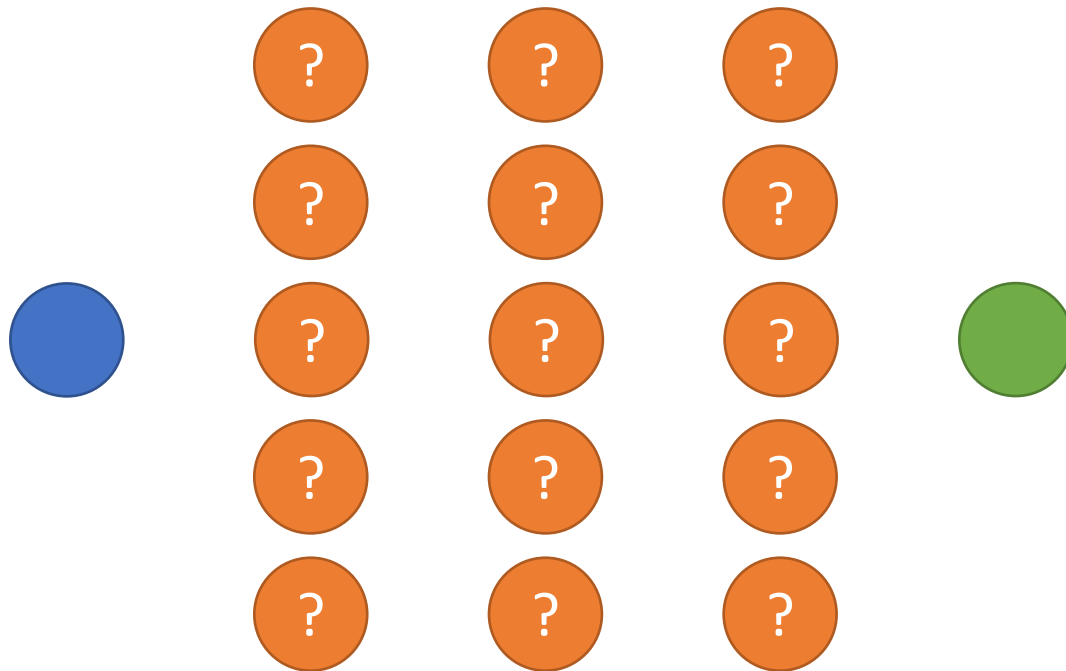
# More interesting evaluation tasks (1)

- Multi-Choice Narrative Sequences ([MCNS](#))
  - Evaluate Models' ability to do longer inference
  - Story Generation



# More interesting evaluation tasks (2)

- Multi-Choice Narrative Explanation (MCNE)
  - Evaluate Models' ability to explain what happens in between
  - Story Explanation



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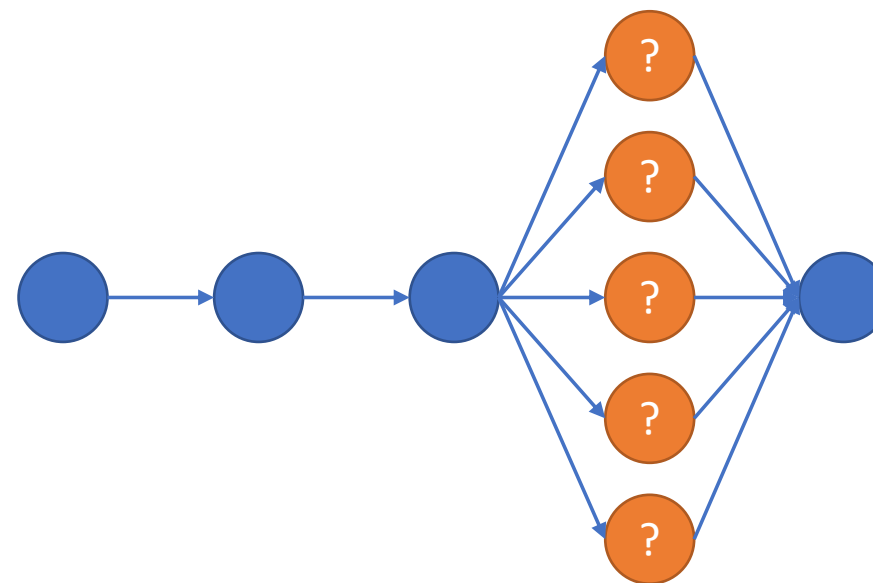
Which of the following event chains *explain* what happened?

- (a) She ordered her food and liked it.
- (b) She hate her food and left angry.
- (c) She walked to a bus station and got on a bus.

# Results:

## Multi-Choice Narrative Cloze

	Accuracy
Granroth-Wilding et al., 2016	0.4957
Wang et al., 2017	<b>0.5512</b>
Pred	0.4232
Pred+Args	0.5135
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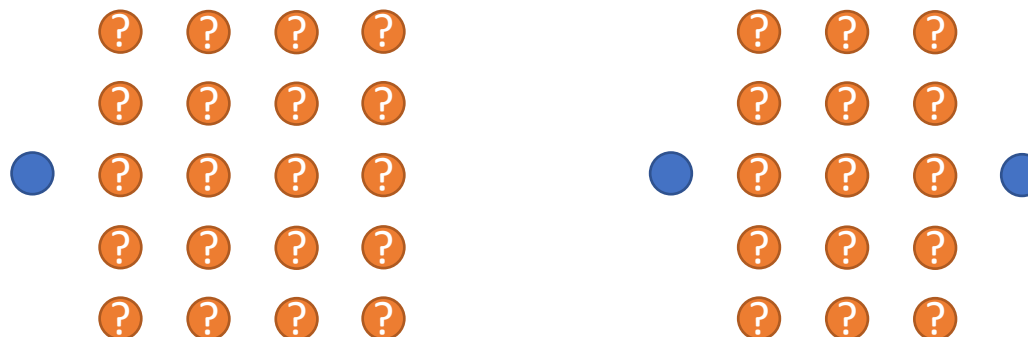


# Results:

## MCNS and MCNE

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GloVe	0.353	0.385
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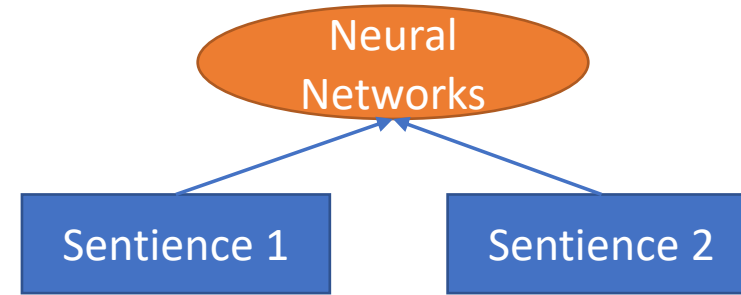
GloVe  
(J. Pennington et al., 2014)



# Results: Shared Tasks

- Semantic Relatedness (SICK)
  - SemEval 2014 Shared Task
  - **Regression** Task with Neural Networks
  - Pearson Scores

Pearson	Pred+Args+A	Pred+Args+S+A
GloVe	0.7102	
FEEL	0.6714	0.6714
GloVe+FEEL	<b>0.7676</b>	0.7604



- Implicit Discourse Sense (IDSC)
  - CONLL 2016 Shared Task
  - **Multi-class Classification** with Neural Networks
  - Micro-Average F1

Micro Average F1	Test	Blind Test
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# Conclusions

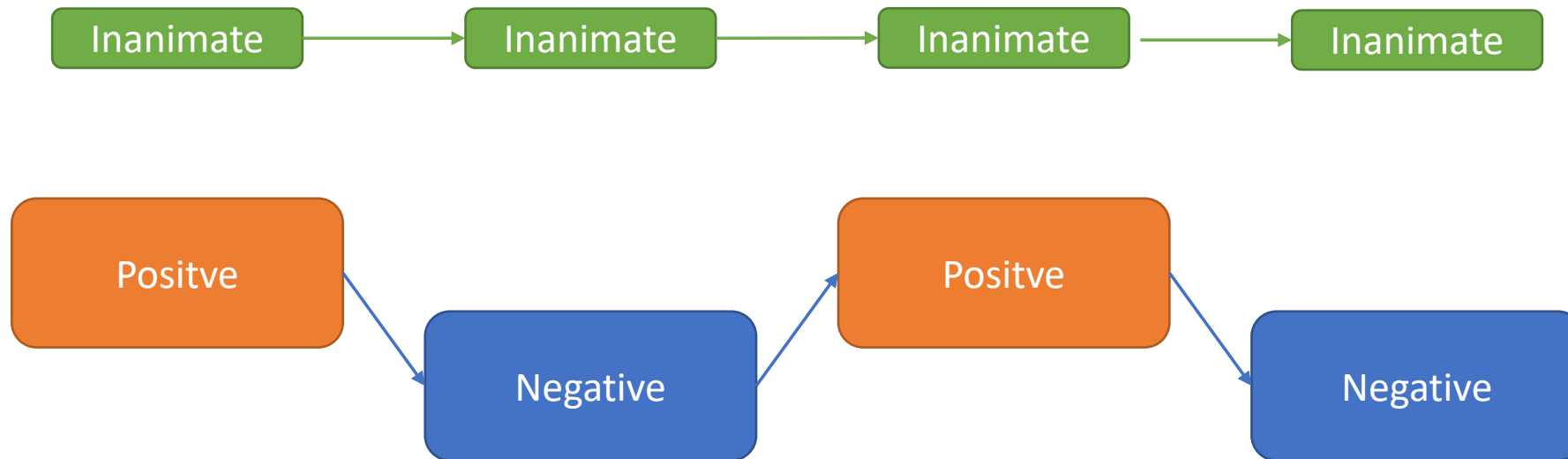
- We proposed FEEL: Featured Event Embedding Learning
  - Hierarchical multi-task representation learning
  - Feature-enriched event embeddings
- We also proposed two novel tasks for evaluating structured event sequence.
  - Story Generation and Story Explanation
- We showed that
  - FEEL is competitive with the most recent state-of-the-art in the narrative cloze test.
  - The resulting embedding can be used as a strong representation for advanced semantic tasks.

Thanks for Listening.  
Any Questions?

# Appendix

# Cool Observations

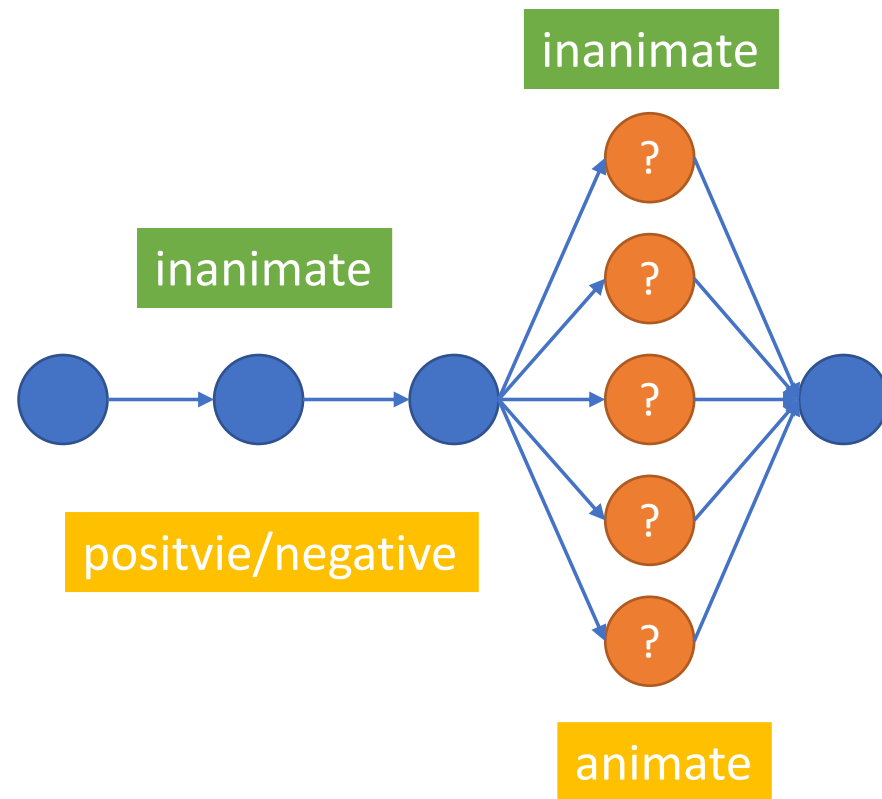
- Animacy is more useful when making single prediction
- Sentiment is more useful when making multiple predictions
  - Sentimental Trajectory



# Evaluation:

## Multi-Choice Narrative Cloze

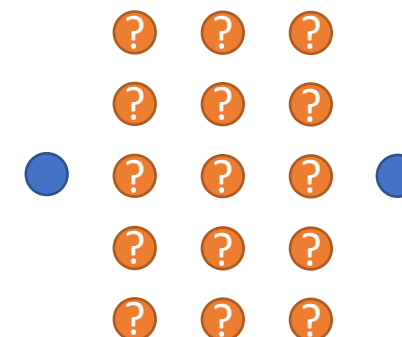
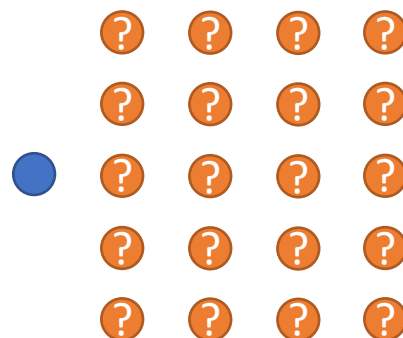
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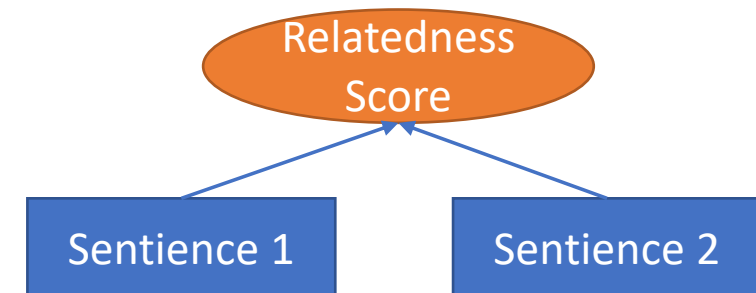
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Pearson	PredDep	PredDep+Args	PredDep+Args+S	PredDep+Args+A	PredDep+Args+S+A
GloVe	0.7102				
FEEL	0.4452	0.6574	0.6791	0.6714	0.6714
GloVe+FEEL	0.7382	0.7572	0.7518	<b>0.7676</b>	0.7604



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