

# A Neuro-Symbolic Benchmark Suite for Concept Quality and Reasoning Shortcuts

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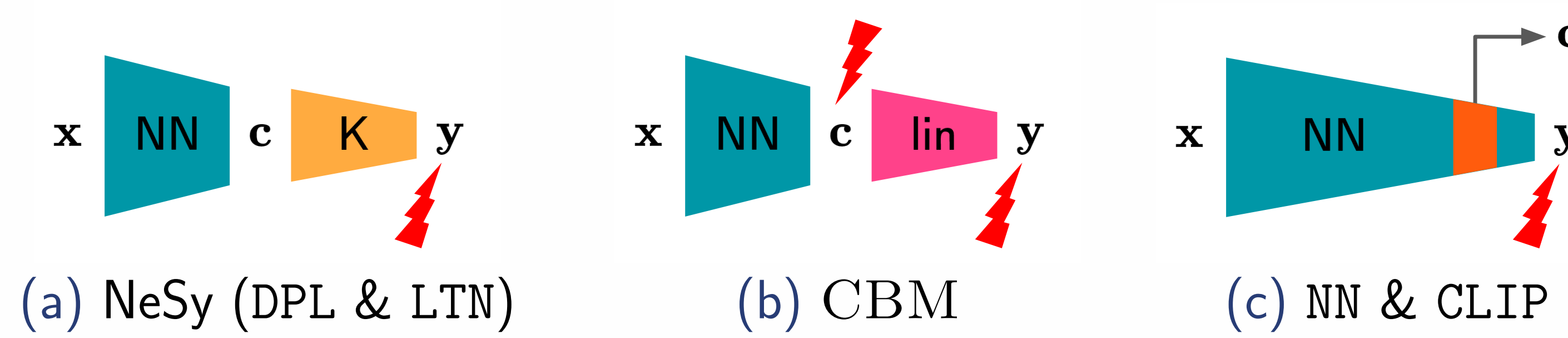
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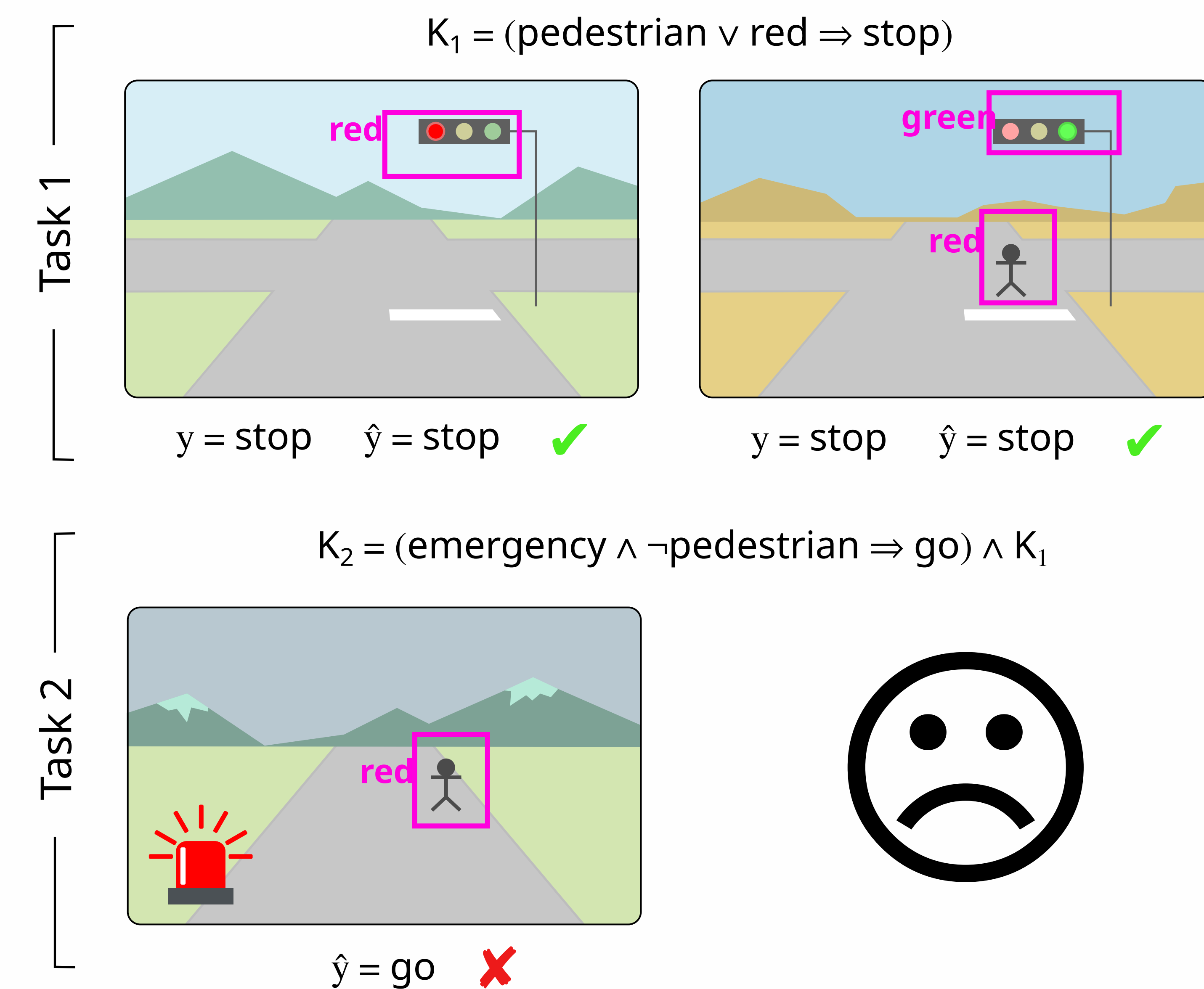
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## REASONING SHORTCUTS

**Goal:** Study supervised models that classify samples *correctly* but for the *wrong concepts*.



**Reasoning Shortcuts** [1]: **NeSy predictors** [2], **Concept-based Models** [3] and **VLMs** like CLIP [4] solve Learning & Reasoning tasks by exploiting semantically misleading concepts.



## L&R TASKS

TASK	DATA			PROPERTIES			
	GEN	OOD	CONT	CPLX	x CPLX	K	AMB
MNMath ( <b>new</b> )	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✗	
+ / × MNAdd-Half	✗	✓	✗	✗	✗	–	
MNAdd-EvenOdd	✗	✓	✓	✗	✗	–	
MNLogic ( <b>new</b> )	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✗	
^ / v Kand-Logic	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	
CLE4EVR	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	
BDD-OIA	✗	✗	✗	✓	✓	✓	
SDD-OIA ( <b>new</b> )	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	

## FEATURES

- Challenging:** the # of RSs can be chosen **a priori** and counted using `countrss`, allows to control task difficulty.
- Configurable:** data sets & generators can be easily configured with YAML/JSON files.
- Intuitive:** straightforward to use:

```
from rsbench import MNLOGIC
```

```
dataset = MNLOGIC(args)
train(model, dataset)
test(model, dataset)
```



## ASSESSING RS

- Task-level:** `countrss` counts the # of potential RSs in any L&R task!

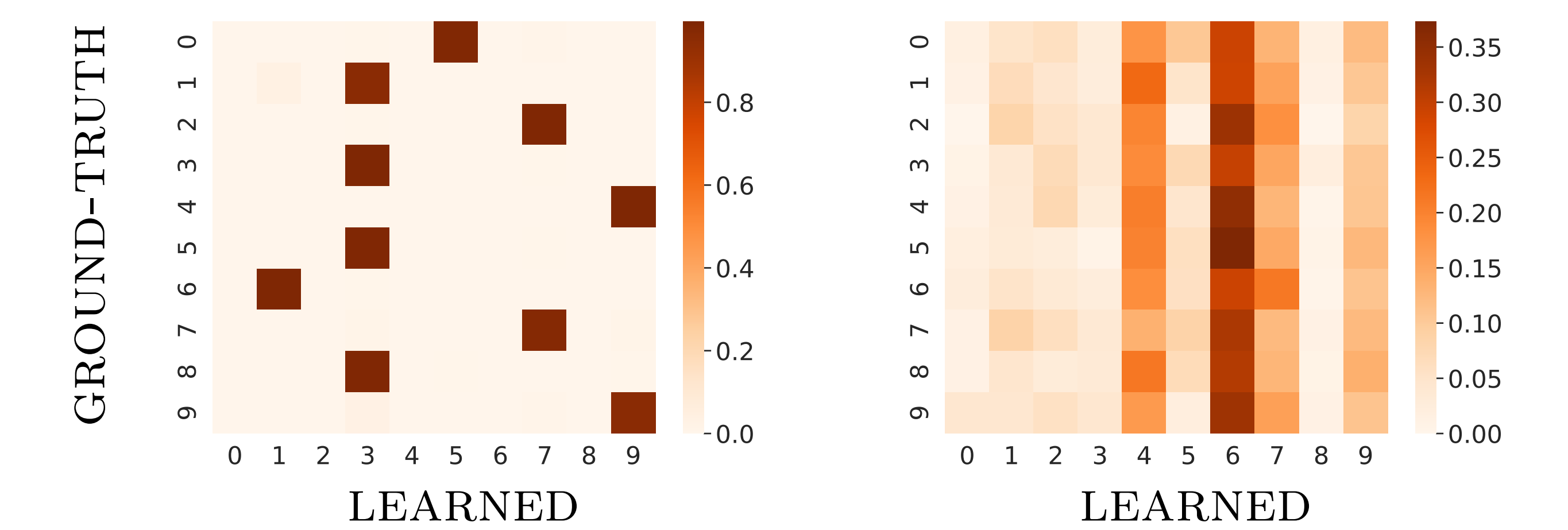
$$K : Y \leftrightarrow (C_1 \wedge C_2 \wedge C_3) \quad \mathcal{D} : \{(0, 1, 0), (1, 0, 0)\}$$

countrss  
#RSs

**Example:** with 3 concepts and an exhaustive training set, *MNLogic* has 6 RSs if K is a conjunction and 24 if K is a XOR. This grows **exponentially** with the # of concepts!

- Model-level:** `rsbench` tasks induce RSs in all models!

Table 1. (L) DPL and (R) NN concept confusion matrix on MNAdd-EvenOdd



**Quantitatively:** Concept F1, accuracy and *collapse*

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## EXAMPLES

TASK	EXAMPLE	SHORTCUT	OOD PRED.
SDD-OIA		STOP	GO
BDD-OIA		STOP	GO

*Knowledge K = the traffic laws.*

TASK	EXAMPLE	SHORTCUT	OOD PRED.
MNMath	$2 \cdot 2 + 2 = 6$ $3 + 4 = 7$	$2 \rightarrow 2$ $3 \rightarrow 4$ $4 \rightarrow 3$	$2 + 4 = 5$

*Knowledge K = equations must hold.*

TASK	EXAMPLE	SHORTCUT	OOD PRED.
MNLogic <sup>1</sup>	$\emptyset \oplus \mathbb{I} = 1$	$\emptyset \rightarrow 1$ $\mathbb{I} \rightarrow 0$	$\emptyset \wedge \emptyset = 1$
Kand-Logic <sup>2</sup>		$\square \rightarrow \text{red}$ $\triangle \rightarrow \text{yel}$ $\circ \rightarrow \text{blu}$	$\square = 0$
CLE4EVR <sup>3</sup>		$\square \rightarrow \square$ $\square \rightarrow \square$ $\circ \rightarrow \square$	$\square = 1$

1: Knowledge K = formula must hold.  
2: Knowledge K = pattern must hold.  
3: Knowledge K = same color and shape?