



Conceptual Dependency & Scripts

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Conceptual Dependency

- Theory of representing nl semantics
- Facilitates drawing inferences
- Language independent
- described by Roger Schank in mid 1970s





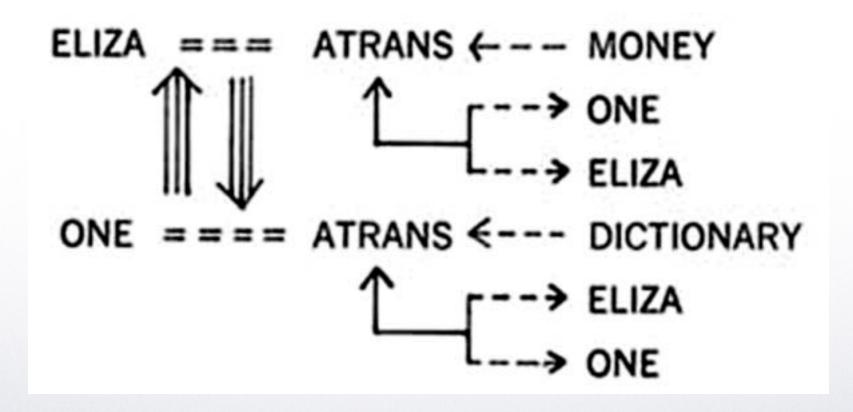


Conceptual Dependency

- Instead of using words, Schank used conceptual primitives.
- e.g. "I gave the man a book."

$$I \stackrel{p}{\longleftrightarrow} ATRANS \stackrel{o}{\longleftarrow} book \stackrel{to}{\longleftarrow} man$$









Primitive Acts

ATRANS Transfer of an abstract relationship (e.g give)

PTRANS Transfer of the physical location of an object (e.g., go)

PROPEL Application of physical force to an object (e.g., push)

MOVE Movement of a body part by its owner (e.g., kick)

GRASP Grasping of an object by an actor (e.g., throw)

INGEST Ingesting of an object by an animal (e.g., eat)

EXPEL Expulsion of something from the body of an animal (e.g.,

cry)

MTRANS Transfer of mental information (e.g., tell)

MBUILD Building new information out of old (e.g., decide)

SPEAK Producing of sounds (e.g., say)

ATTEND Focusing of a sense organ toward a stimulus (e.g., listen),

called CONC in some of Schank's earlier work [Schank,

1973b]





Primitive Conceptual Categories

ACT's

PP's

AA's

PA's

Actions

Objects (picture producers)

Modifiers of actions (action aiders)

Modifiers of PP's (picture aiders)

From these, dependency structures can be built.





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PP
$$\longleftrightarrow$$
 ACT

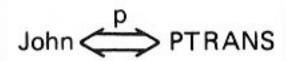
John ran.





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Rule 2: Relationship between a PP and a PA that is being asserted to describe it. May use numbers.

PP
$$\Longrightarrow$$
 PA





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John is tall.





Rule 3: Relationship between two PP's, one belonging to the set described by the other.







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John is a doctor.





Rule 4: Relationship between a PP and an attribute that describes it. Arrow toward described PP.









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A nice boy





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John's dog





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John pushed the cart.





Rule 7: Relationship between an ACT and the source and recipient of the ACT.

$$ACT \leftarrow R \rightarrow PP$$





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John took the book from Mary.





Rule 8: Relationship between an ACT and the instrument with which it is performed.

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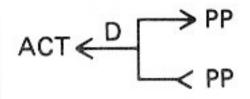
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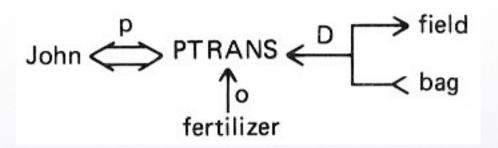
John ate ice cream with a spoon.





Rule 9: Relationship between an ACT and it's physical source and destination.









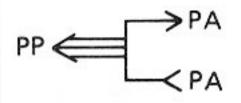
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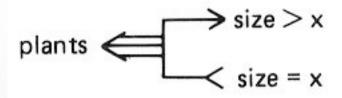
John fertilized the field.





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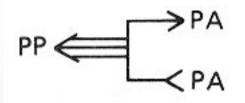


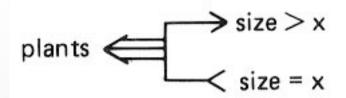






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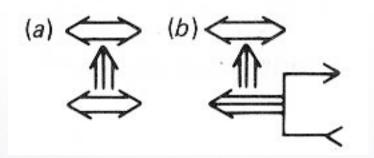


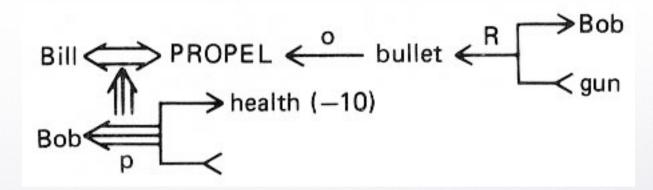
The plants grew.





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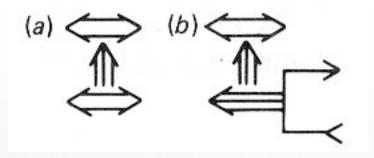


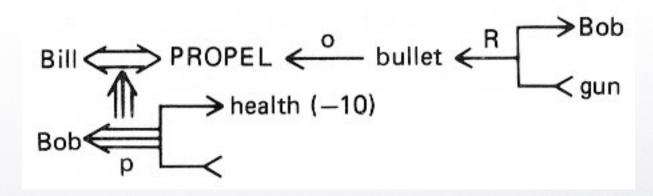






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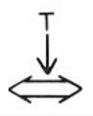


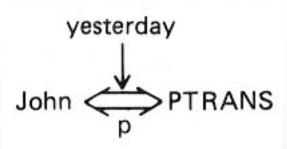
Bill shot Bob.





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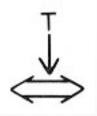


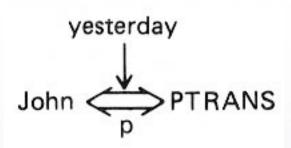






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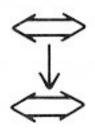


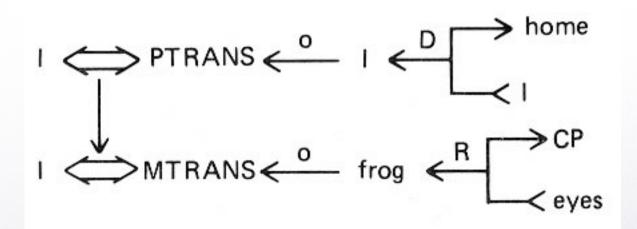
John ran yesterday.





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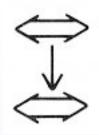


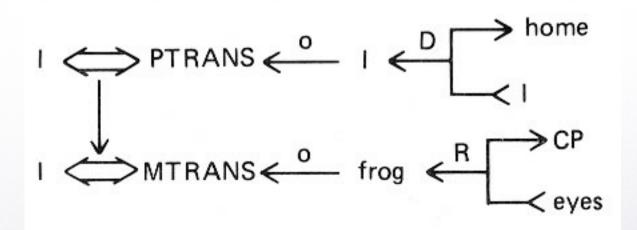






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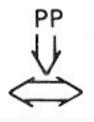


While going home, I saw a frog.





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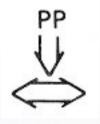
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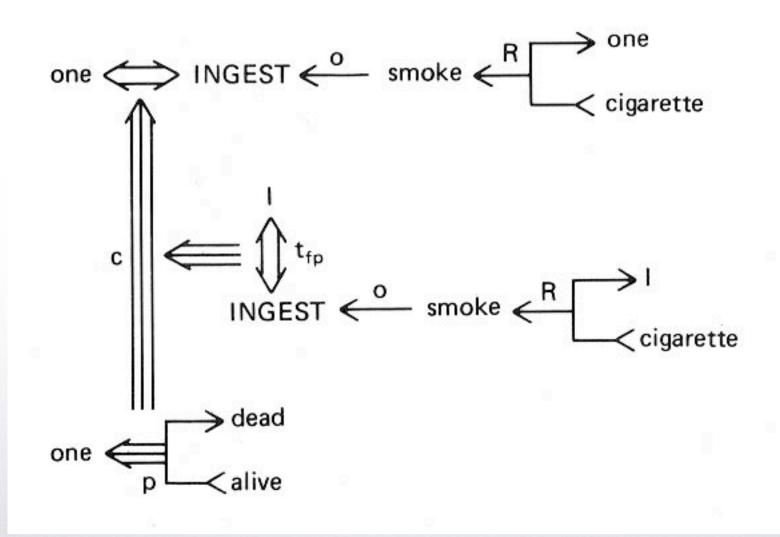


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I heard a frog in the woods.









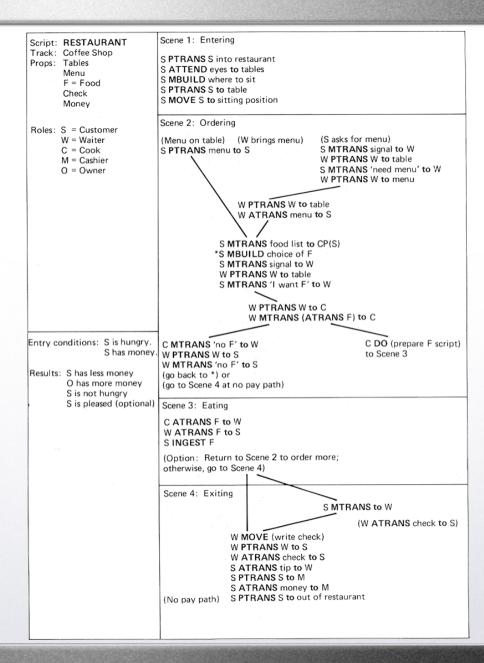
Another lobster tale

Jami entered the restaurant and the waitress seated *her*. Then *she* gave *her* a menu. After *she* read it *she* decided to order lobster. After *she* brought it to *her she* ate it. Later, *she* left *her* a big tip.





A Restaurant Script







Script: RESTAURANT

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Props: Tables

Menu

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Check

Money

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Understanding the Story

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SCENETWO: Ordering Food





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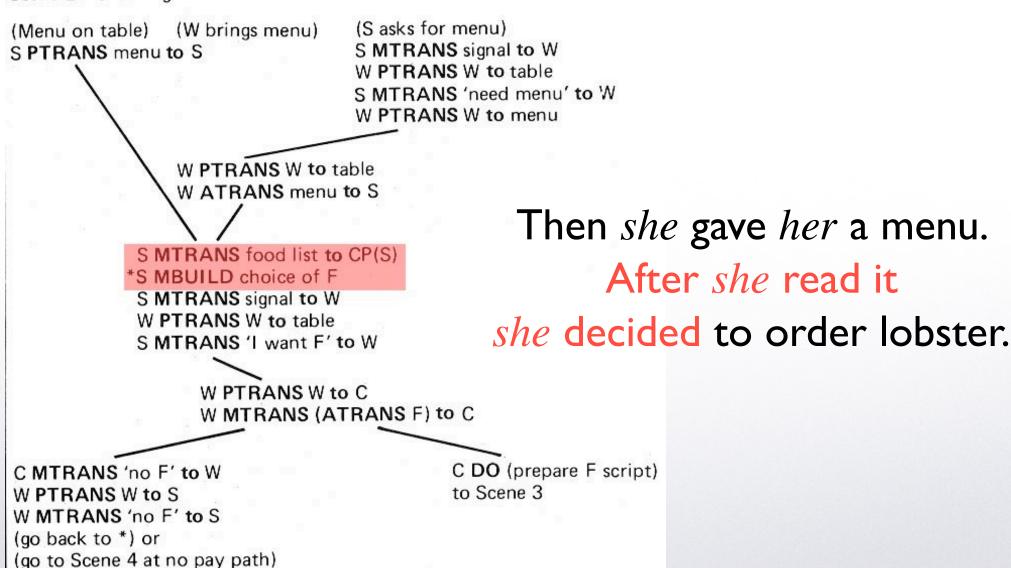
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SCENETHREE: Eating!





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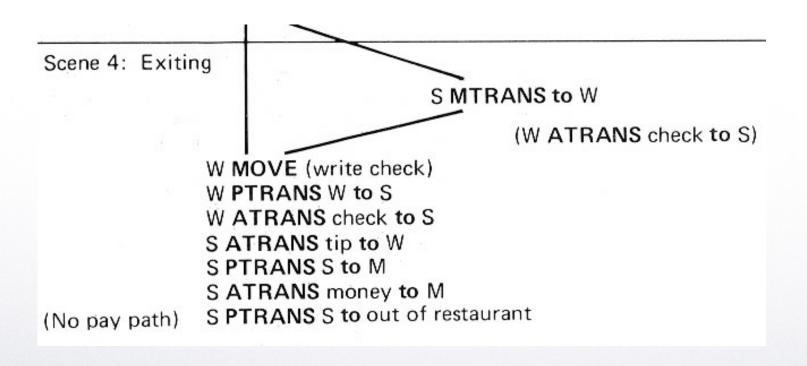




SCENE FOUR: Exiting the Restaurant



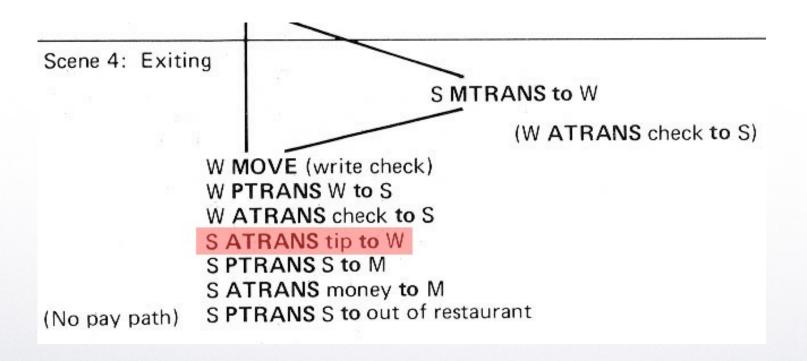




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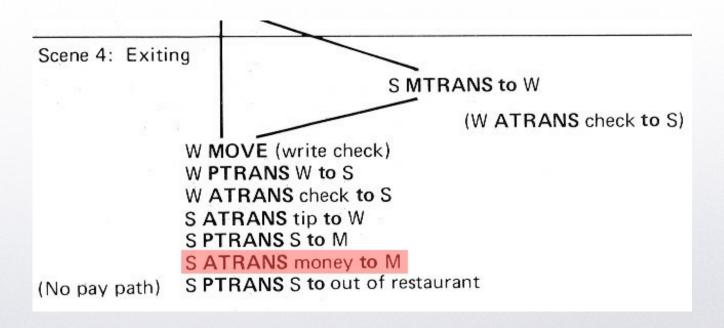
S is pleased (optional)





Answering Questions

Did she pay?







Another Story

Joe was hungry. He decided to go to a restaurant. He went to one. He sat down in a chair. A waiter did not go to the table. Joe became upset. He left the restaurant.





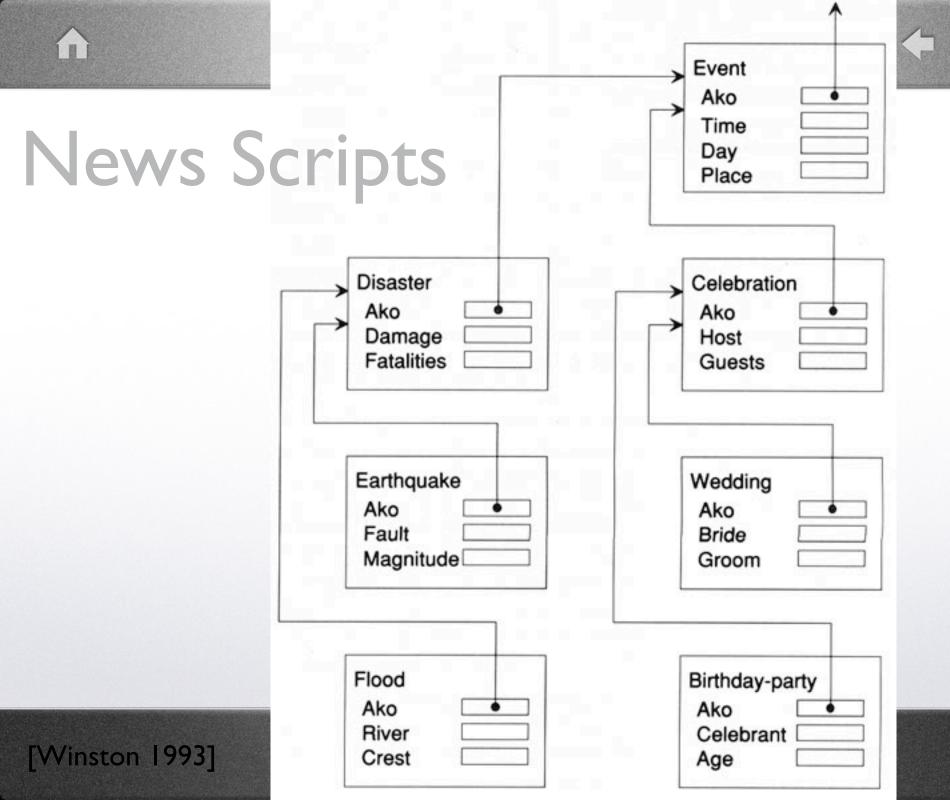
Questions

- Did Joe eat any food?
- Did Joe pay?
- Did Joe leave a tip?
- Why was Joe upset?





Another Domain







KR: Frame System

- represents a semantic net
- instead of nodes & links uses frames & slots
- Ako create a hierarchy of frame classes
- Isa link instances to classes
- procedures can be associated with slots
- this is just like a database....





Earthquake Slots

Place

Fault

Magnitude

Day

Time

Fatalities

Damage





Earthquake Rules

- Fill <time> with the number containing a colon.
- Fill <fatalities> with integer near word like kill, die.
- Fill <damage> with number containing \$
- Fill <magnitude> with a decimal number between 1.0 and 10.0





More Rules

- Fill <day> with word such as yesterday, today, or a day of the week.
- Fill <place> with a word that appears in a dictionary of geographical names.
- Fill <fault> with the proper name appearing closes to the word fault.





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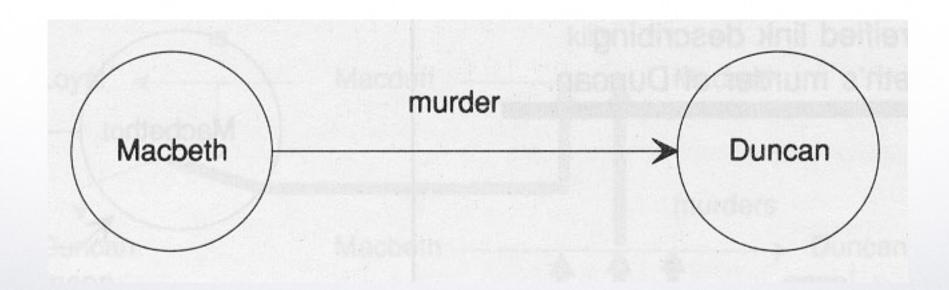


- Good scripts are complex, containing common sense knowledge.
- Designing scripts is labor intensive.
- Perhaps scripts could be automatically learned by machine?



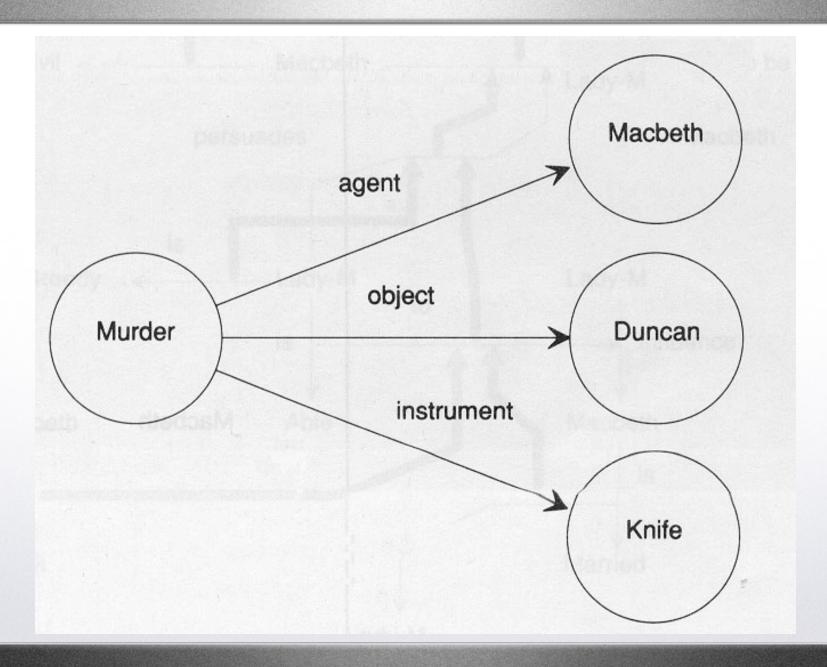


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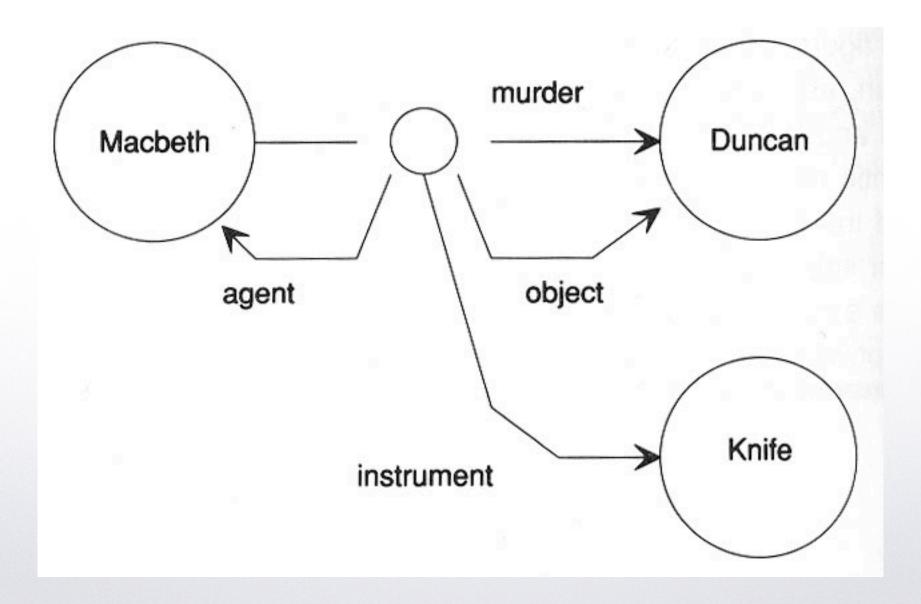






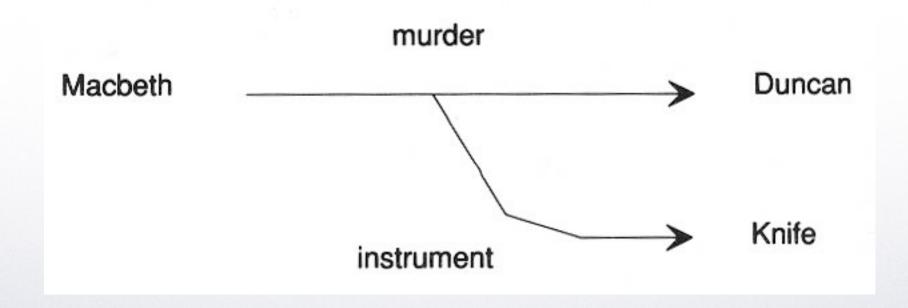














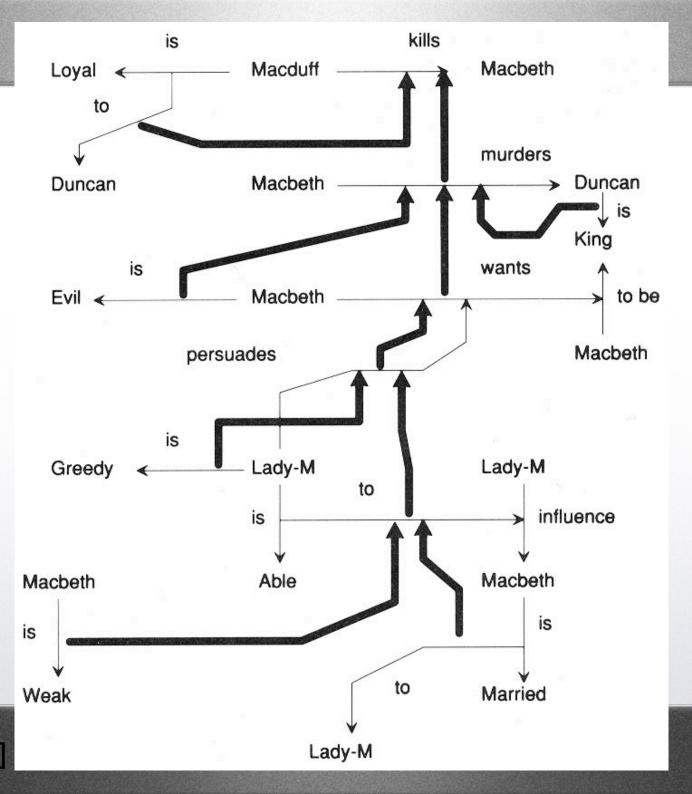


Macbeth

This is a story about Macbeth, Lady Macbeth, Duncan, and Macduff. Macbeth is an evil noble and Lady Macbeth is a greedy, ambitious woman. Duncan is a king and Macduff is a noble. Lady Macbeth persuades Macbeth to want to be king because she is greedy. She is able to influence him because he is married to her and because he is weak. Macbeth murders Duncan with a knife. Macbeth murders Duncan because Macbeth wants to be king, because Macbeth is evil, and because Duncan is king. Then Lady Macbeth kills herself. Finally, Macduff gets angry and kills Macbeth because Macbeth killed Duncan and because Macduff is loyal to Duncan.







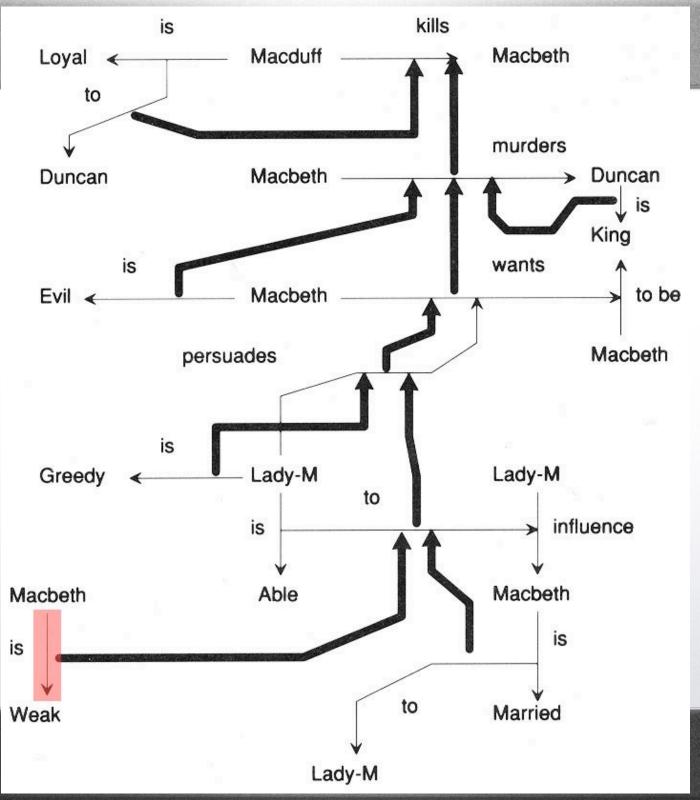




Greed

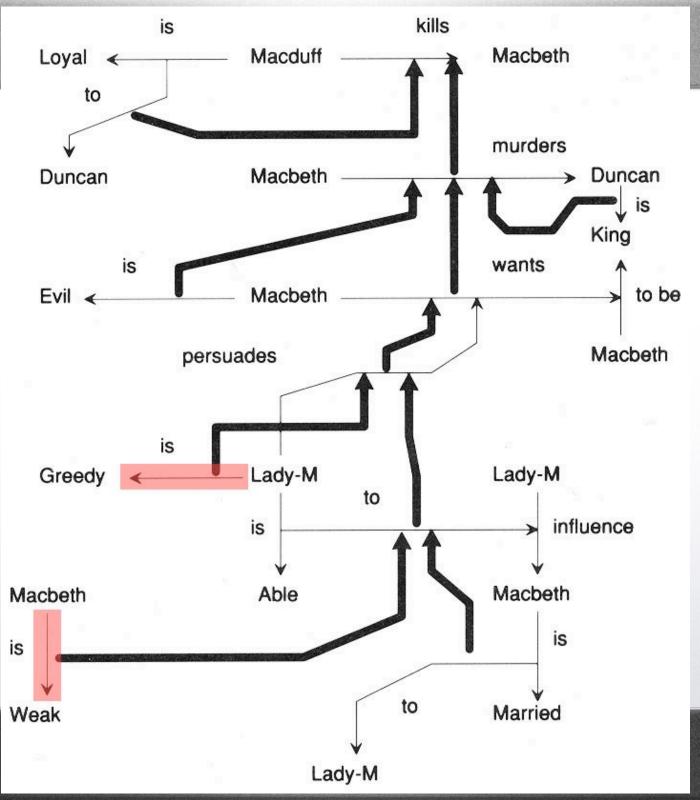
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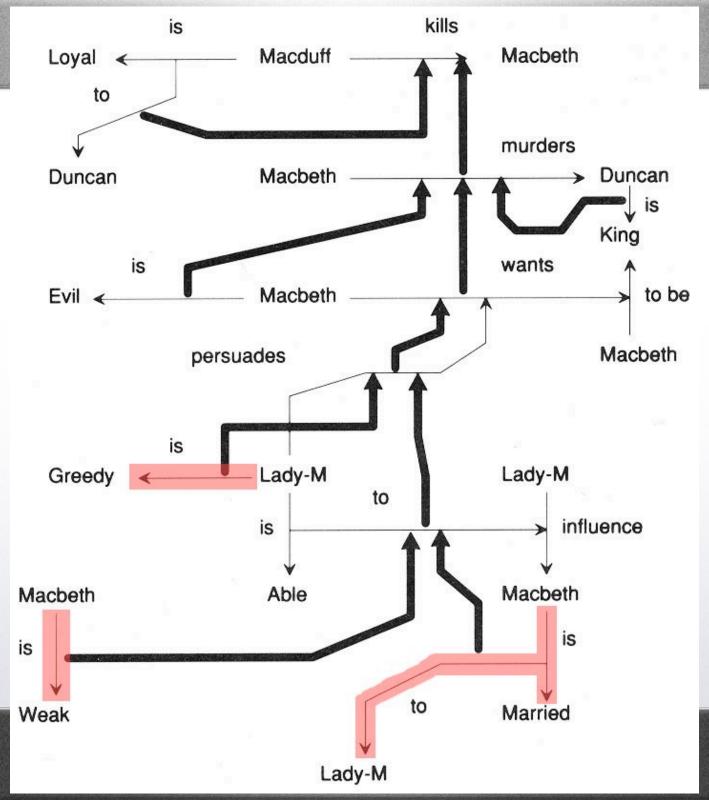






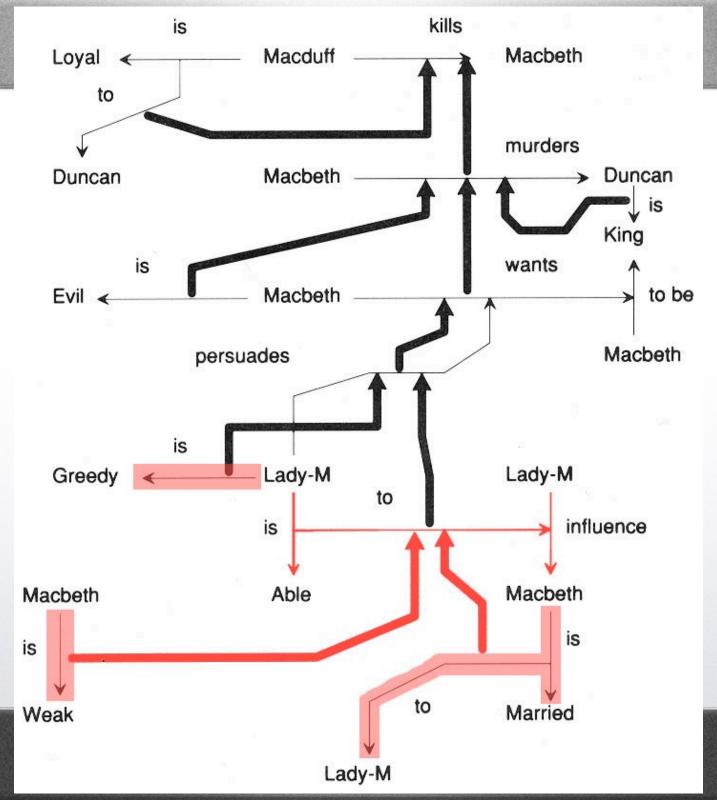






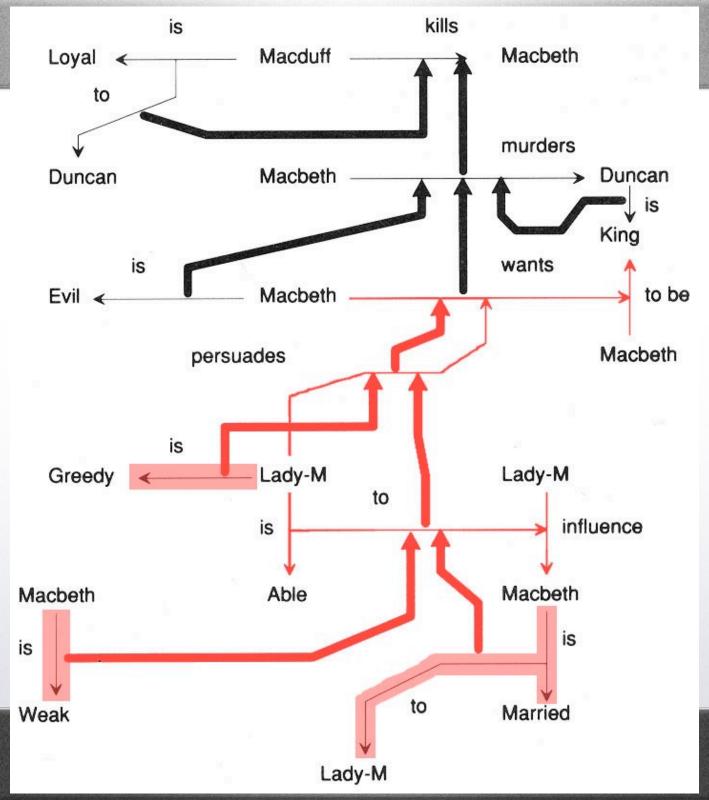
















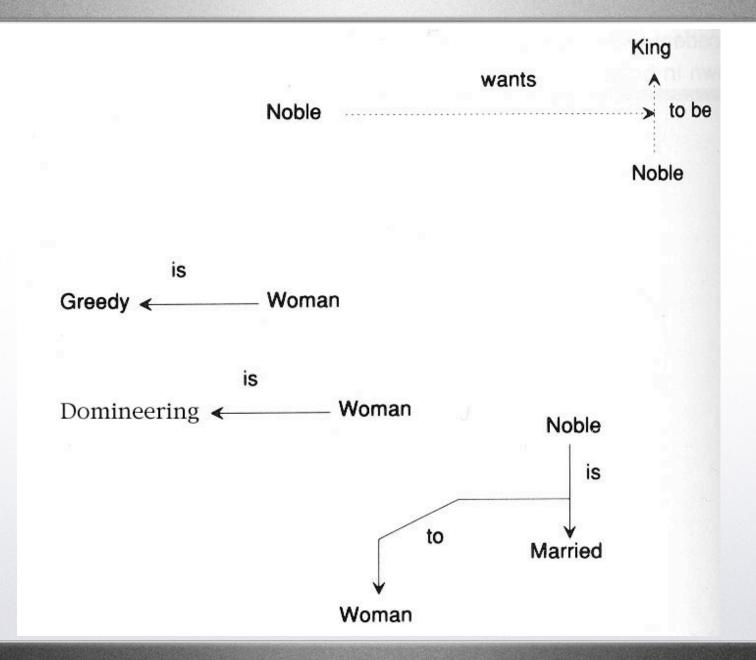


Domination

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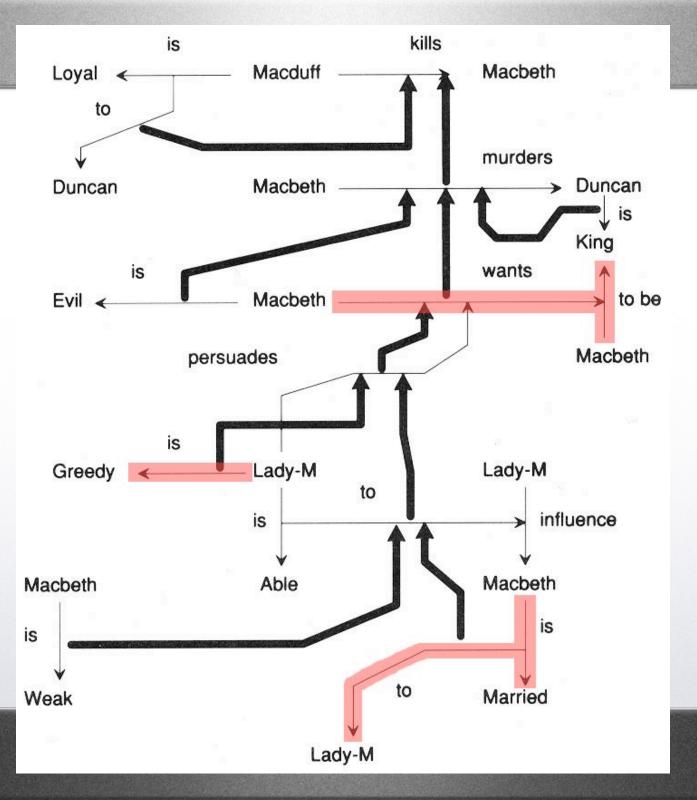














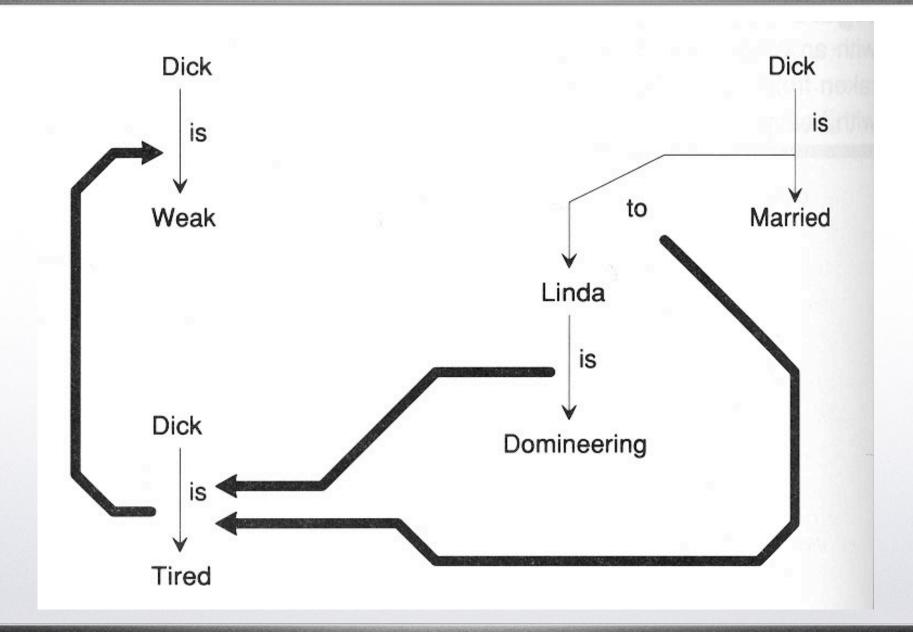


Linda and Dick

This is a story about Linda and Dick. Linda is a woman, and Dick is a man. Dick is married to Linda. Dick is weak because he is tired. He is tired because Linda is domineering.

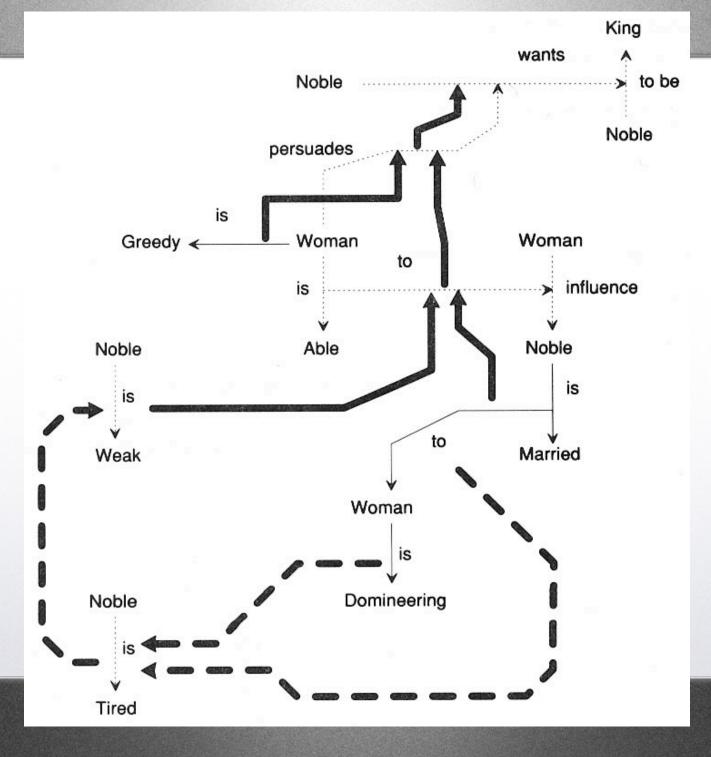
















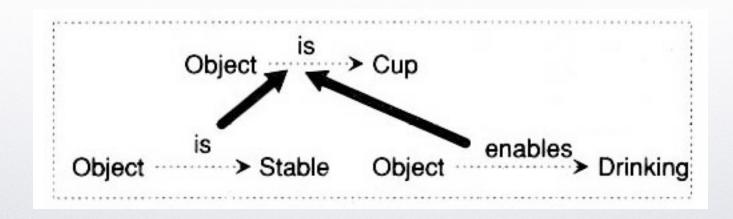
Another Domain





A Cup

This is a description of an object. The object is a cup because it is stable and enables drinking.

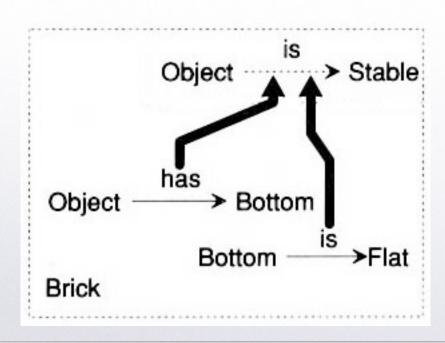






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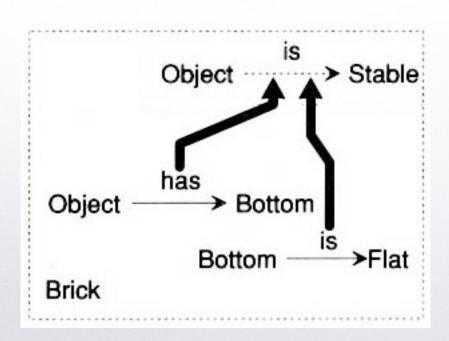






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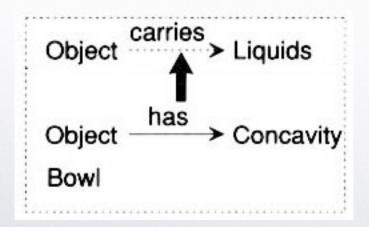
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A Bowl

This is a description of a bowl. The bowl carries liquids because it has a concavity. The bowl contains chicken soup.



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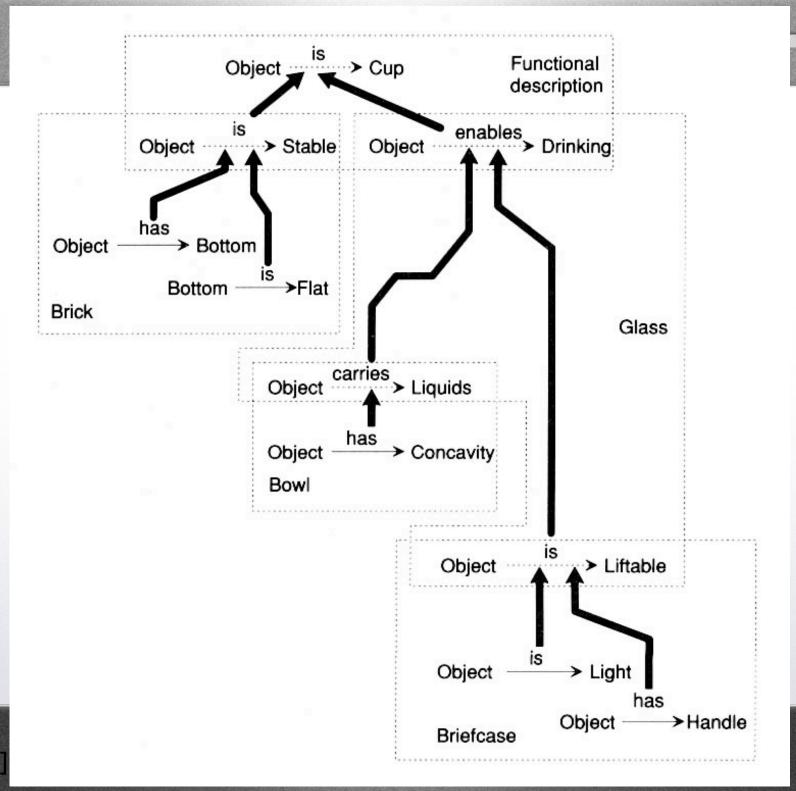




More Objects

- This is a description of a glass. The glass enables drinking because it carries liquids and is liftable. The glass is pretty.
- This is a description of a briefcase. The briefcase is liftable because it has a handle and because it is light. The briefcase is useful because it carries papers.





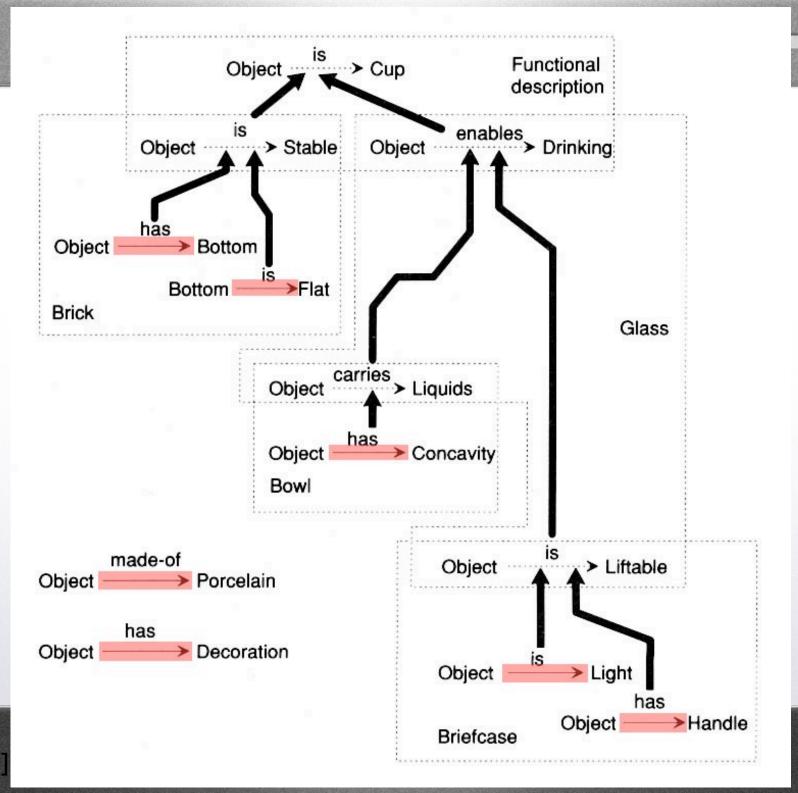




An Unknown Object

This is an exercise about a light object that is made of porcelain. The object has a decoration, a concavity, and a handle. The object's bottom is flat.



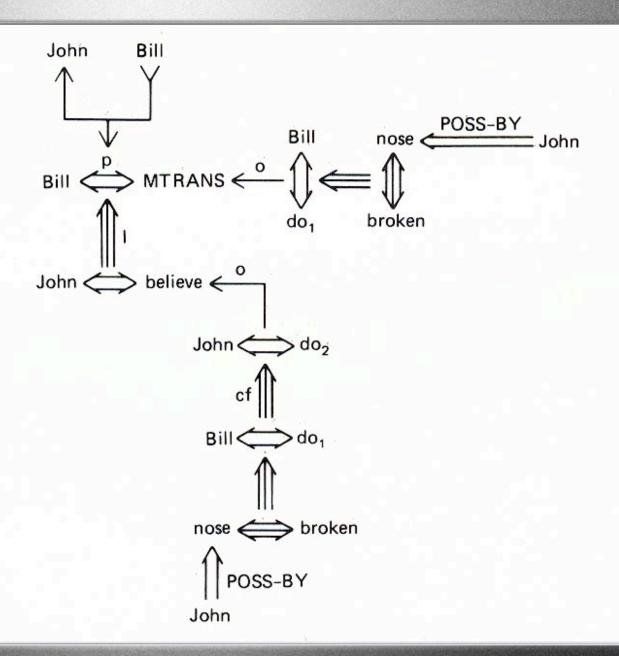






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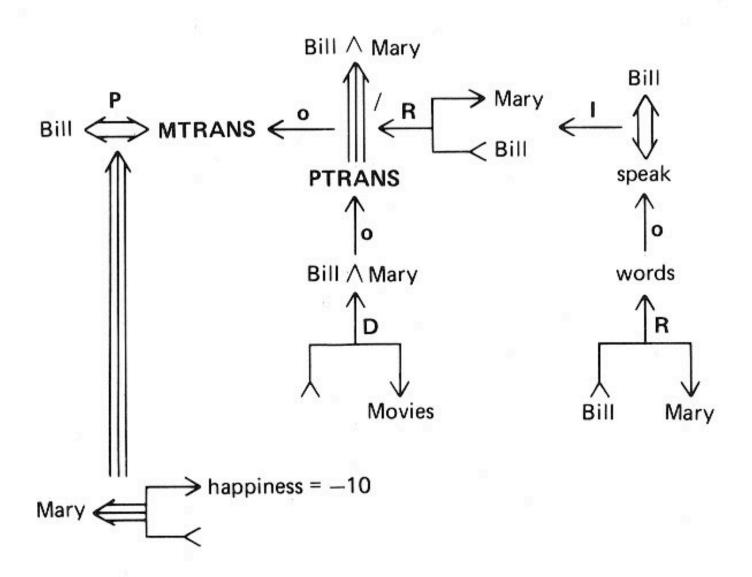






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What is Cyc?

See wikipedia entry: http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Cyc





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Write a story about an object which is not a cup, but would fool our example system into classifying as one.