

Commonsense Knowledge Graphs



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Introduction to commonsense knowledge

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What Is Common Sense?

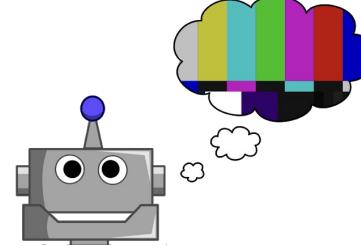
Common sense is sound practical judgement concerning everyday matters,

or a basic ability to perceive, understand, and judge that is shared by ("common to") nearly all people.

Wikipedia



Essential for humans to live and interact with each other in a reasonable and safe way.



Essential for AI to understand human needs and actions better

For example, it's ok to keep the closet door open, but it's not ok to keep the fridge door open, as the food inside might go bad.

Slide by Yejin Choi

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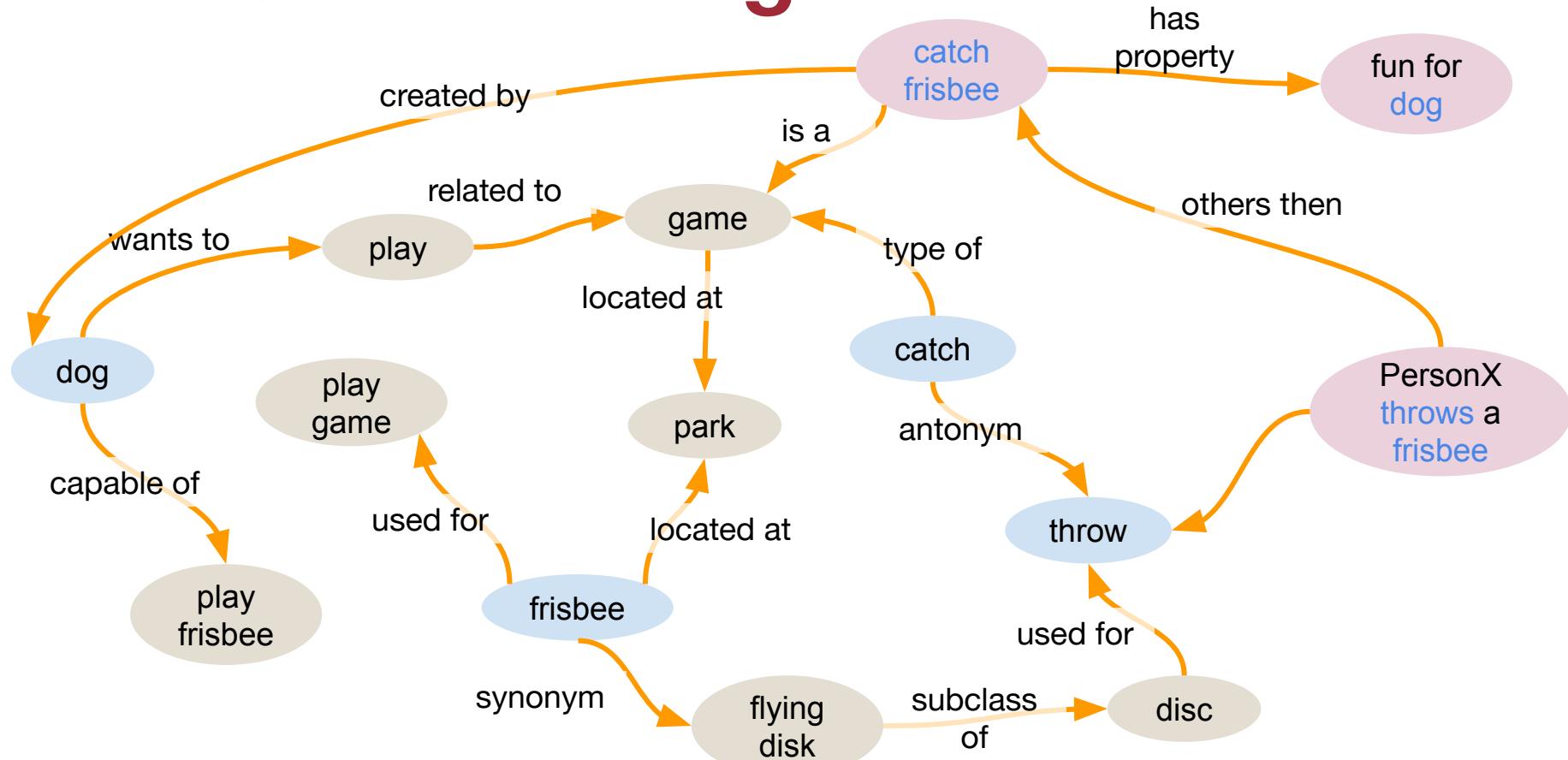


- GPT2: A dog throws a frisbee at a football player. [Machines]
- UniLM: Two dogs are throwing frisbees at each other .
- BART: A dog throws a frisbee and a dog catches it.
- T5: dog catches a frisbee and throws it to a dog



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Role Of Knowledge



Common Sense Knowledge Graphs

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[Bosselut et al., 2019]

Atomic

[Sap et al., 2019]

WebChild

[Tandon et al., 2014]

WebChild 2.0

[Tandon et al., 2017]

Open Mind Common Sense

[Minski, Singh, Havasi, 1999]

ConceptNet

[Liu, Singh, 2004]

ConceptNet 5.5

[Speer et al., 2017]

NELL

[Carlson et al., 2010]

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[Mitchell et al., 2015]

Wikidata

[Vrandečić, 2012]

Cyc

[Lenat et al., 1984]

OpenCyc 4.0

[Lenat 2012]

Dimensions Of Common Sense Knowledge

Representation

- symbolic
- natural language
- neural

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- expert input
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- entities and actions
- inferential/rules

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Representation Method

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- **symbolic**: frisbee, dog
- **natural language**: "PersonX throws a frisbee"
- **neural**: <black box>

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PersonX throws frisbee, as a result
others then, catches frisbee

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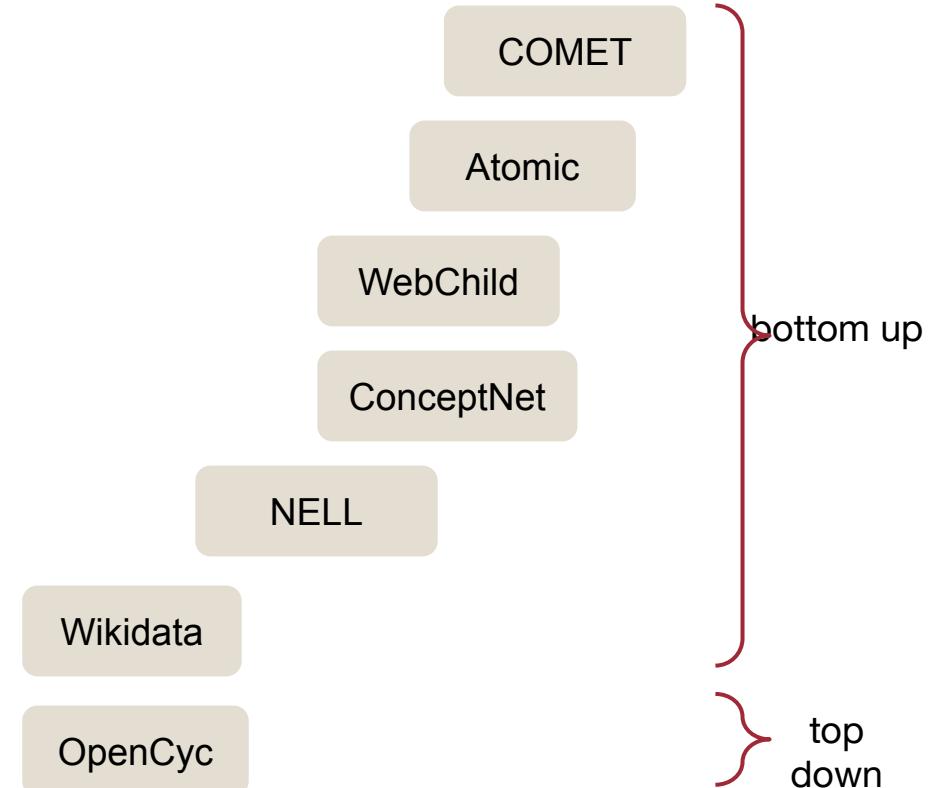
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Review of top-down commonsense knowledge graphs

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Why is top-down knowledge necessary?

“In Artificial intelligence, commonsense knowledge is the set of **background information** that an individual is intended to know or assume and the ability to use it when appropriate.”

Argument: This knowledge cannot be acquired simply through text (or in an otherwise ‘inductive’ fashion)

Some important concepts necessary in a top-down CSKG

- **Scales, time, spaces and dimension, material, causal connections, (in other domains) force, shape, systems and functionality, hitting, abrasion, wear (and related concepts)**
- **Competency vs. coverage theories**
- **Naive physics vs. psychology theories**

All reasoning (ultimately) depends on axioms...

What are the ‘axioms’ of commonsense ‘psychology’?

This is a controversial question

**A more fruitful approach might be to understand the
‘representational areas’ of commonsense psychology
(Gordon and Hobbs, 2004)**

30 representational areas

Gordon (2001a) noted that there is an interesting relationship between concepts that participate in commonsense psychology theories and planning strategies

Described 30 representational areas by studying planning strategy

Taxonomy of 30 representational areas



Examples of representational areas

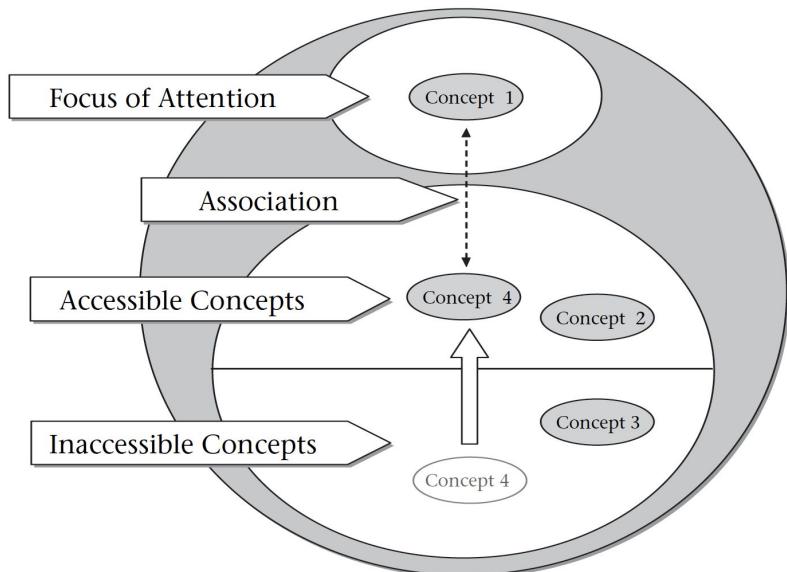
Explanations: the process of generating satisfying explanations for effects that have unknown causes

Similarity Comparison: the mental process of making comparisons and drawing analogies in order to find similarities and differences

Managing knowledge: concepts of knowledge, belief, assumptions, justifications and the mental processes that manipulate these concepts in reasoning

Example of ‘theory’: Accessibility by association

- **Memory retrieval by association is well-known in psychology**
- **‘Encode’ it as a theory by defining appropriate predicates and concepts**



‘Encoding knowledge’ of commonsense psychology

Not an easy problem, reminiscent of ‘expert system’ era

Two eventualities e_1 and e_2 are “causally linked” in a set of “causally involved” relations if there is a chain of relations in s between e_1 and e_2 , regardless of direction.

$$\begin{aligned} (\forall e_1, e_2, s)[\text{causally-linked}(e_1, e_2, s)] \\ \equiv [(\exists r)[\text{causally-involved}'(r, e_1, e_2) \wedge \text{member}(r, s)] \\ \quad \vee (\exists r)[\text{causally-involved}'(r, e_2, e_1) \wedge \text{member}(r, s)] \\ \quad \vee (\exists e_3, r)[[\text{causally-involved}'(r, e_1, e_3) \vee [\text{causally-involved}'(r, e_3, e_1)] \\ \quad \wedge \text{member}(r, s) \wedge \text{causally-linked}(e_3, e_2, s - \{r\})]]] \end{aligned}$$

Open question how we can encode such knowledge in a way that makes it robust to noisy or incomplete data

Some more examples (belief in goals)

It will be useful below to state that if one believes he or she has a goal, then defeasibly he or she really does have the goal. Though not always true, we are usually pretty reliable about knowing what we want.

```
(forall (e e1 a)
  (if (and (goal' e e1 a)(believe a e))
    (Rexist e)))
```

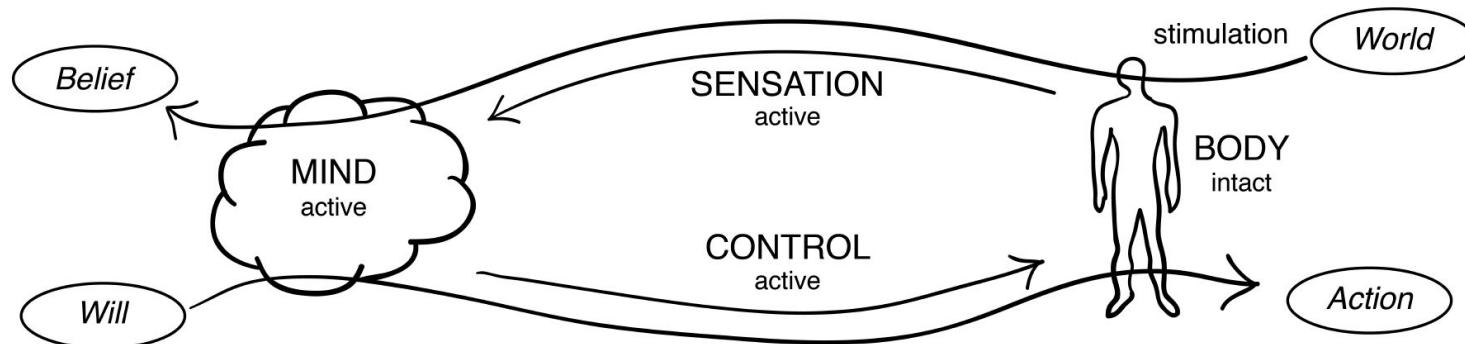
However, it is possible for an agent to have a goal without knowing it.

Some more examples (trying, succeeding and failing)

When we try to bring about some goal, we devise at least a partial plan to achieve it, including subgoals of the original goal which are actions on our part, and we execute some of those subgoals. Moreover, our executing those actions is a direct result of our having those actions as subgoals. We can take this as a definition of “trying”.

```
(forall (e a e1)
  (iff (try' e a e1)
    (exist (e0 e2 e3 e4)
      (and (goal e1 a)(subgoal' e3 e2 e1 a)
        (instanceOf e4 e2)(Rexist' e0 e4)
        (agentOf a e4)(cause e3 e0)(gen e e0))))))
```

Other representational work



A person has a body and a mind.

```
(forall (p)
  (if (person p)
    (exists (b m)
      (and (body b p)
        (mind m p)))))
```

Bodies are intact, damaged, or destroyed.

```
(forall (b p)
  (if (body b p)
    (xor (intact b)
      (damaged b)
      (destroyed b))))
```

Minds are active, impaired, or inactive.

```
(forall (m p)
  (if (mind m p)
    (xor (active m)
      (impaired m)
      (inactive m))))
```

(1)

(2)

(3)

CYC: Using Common Sense Knowledge to Overcome Brittleness and Knowledge Acquisition Bottlenecks

Doug Lenat, Mayank Prakash, & Mary Shepherd

Microelectronics & Computer Technology Corporation, 9430 Research Boulevard, Austin, Texas 78759

The major limitations in building large software have always been (a) its brittleness when confronted by problems that were not foreseen by its builders, and (b) the amount of manpower required. The recent history of expert systems, for example, highlights how constricting the brittleness and knowledge acquisition bottlenecks are. Moreover, standard software methodology (e.g., working from a detailed "spec") has proven of little use in AI, a field which by definition tackles ill-structured problems.

How can these bottlenecks be widened? Attractive, elegant answers have included machine learning, automatic programming, and natural language understanding. But decades of work on such systems (Green *et al.*, 1974; Lenat *et al.*, 1983; Lenat & Brown, 1984; Schank & Abelson, 1977) have convinced us that each of these approaches has difficulty "scaling up" for want of a substantial base of real world knowledge.

Making AI Programs More Flexible

[Expert systems'] performance in their specialized domains are often very impressive. Nevertheless, hardly any of them have certain common-sense knowledge and ability possessed by any non-foolish-minded human. This lack makes them "brittle." By this is meant that they are difficult to expand beyond the scope originally contemplated by their designers, and they usually do not recognize their own limitations. Many important

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applications will require commonsense abilities... Common-sense facts and methods are only very partially understood today, and extending this understanding is the key problem facing artificial intelligence. — John McCarthy, 1983, p. 120.

How do people flexibly cope with unexpected situations? As our specific "expert" knowledge fails to apply, we draw on increasingly more general knowledge. This general knowledge is less powerful, so we only fall back on it reluctantly.

"General knowledge" can be broken down into a few types. First, there is real world factual knowledge, the sort found in an encyclopedia. Second, there is common sense, the sort of knowledge that an encyclopedia would assume the reader knew without being told (*e.g.*, an object can't be in two places at once).

Abstract

MCC's CYC project is the building, over the coming decade, of a large knowledge base (or KB) of real world facts and heuristics and—as a part of the KB itself—methods for efficiently reasoning over the KB. As the title of this article suggests, our hypothesis is that the two major limitations to building large intelligent programs might be overcome by using such a system. We briefly illustrate how common sense reasoning and analogy can widen the knowledge acquisition bottleneck. The next section ("How CYC Works") illustrates how those same two abilities can solve problems of the type that stymie current expert systems. We then report how the project is being conducted currently: its strategic philosophy, its tactical methodology, and a case study of how we are currently putting that into practice. We conclude with a discussion of the project's feasibility and timetable.

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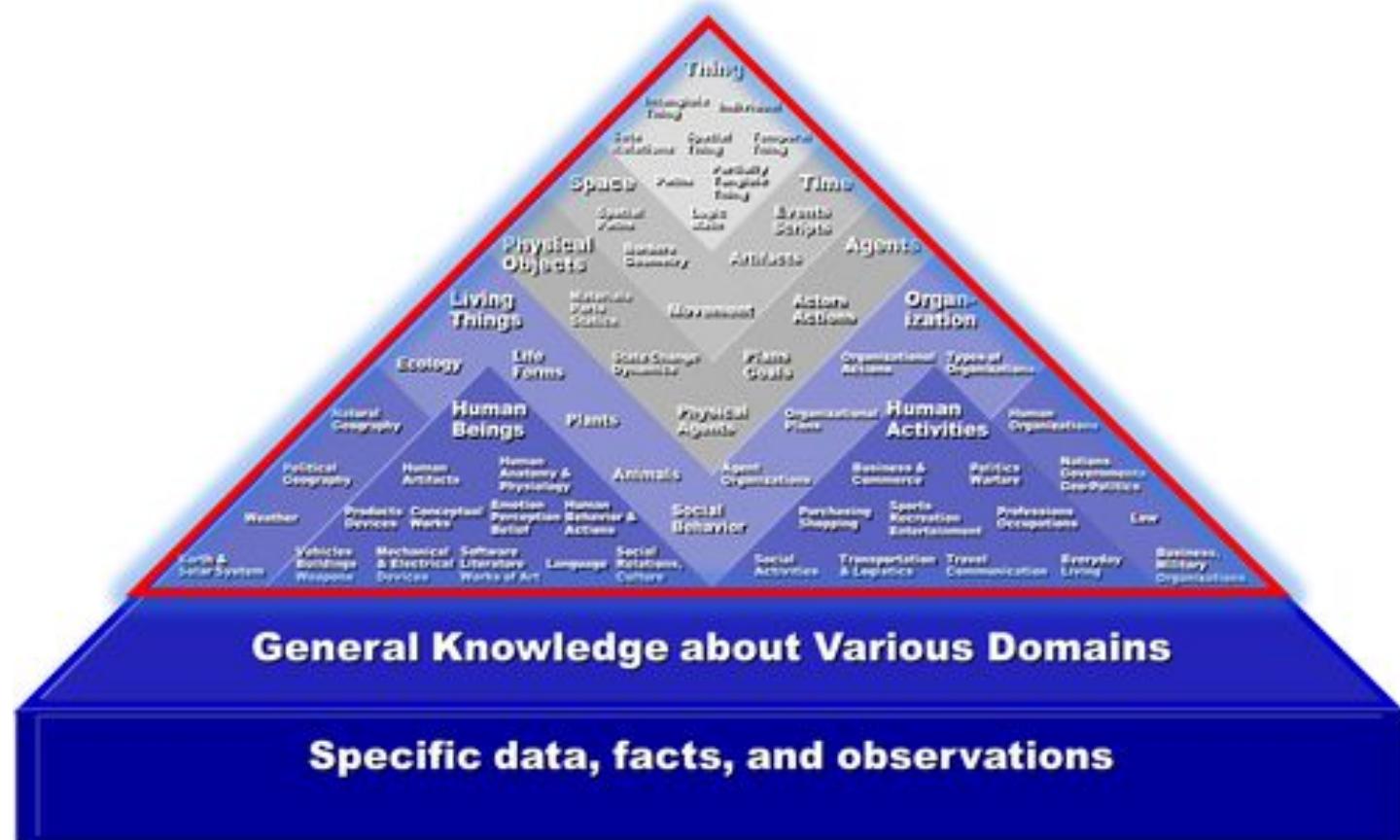
- Very large, multi-contextual knowledge base and inference engine.
- Founded in 1984 by Stanford professor Doug Lenat (president and founder of the Cycorp, Inc.).



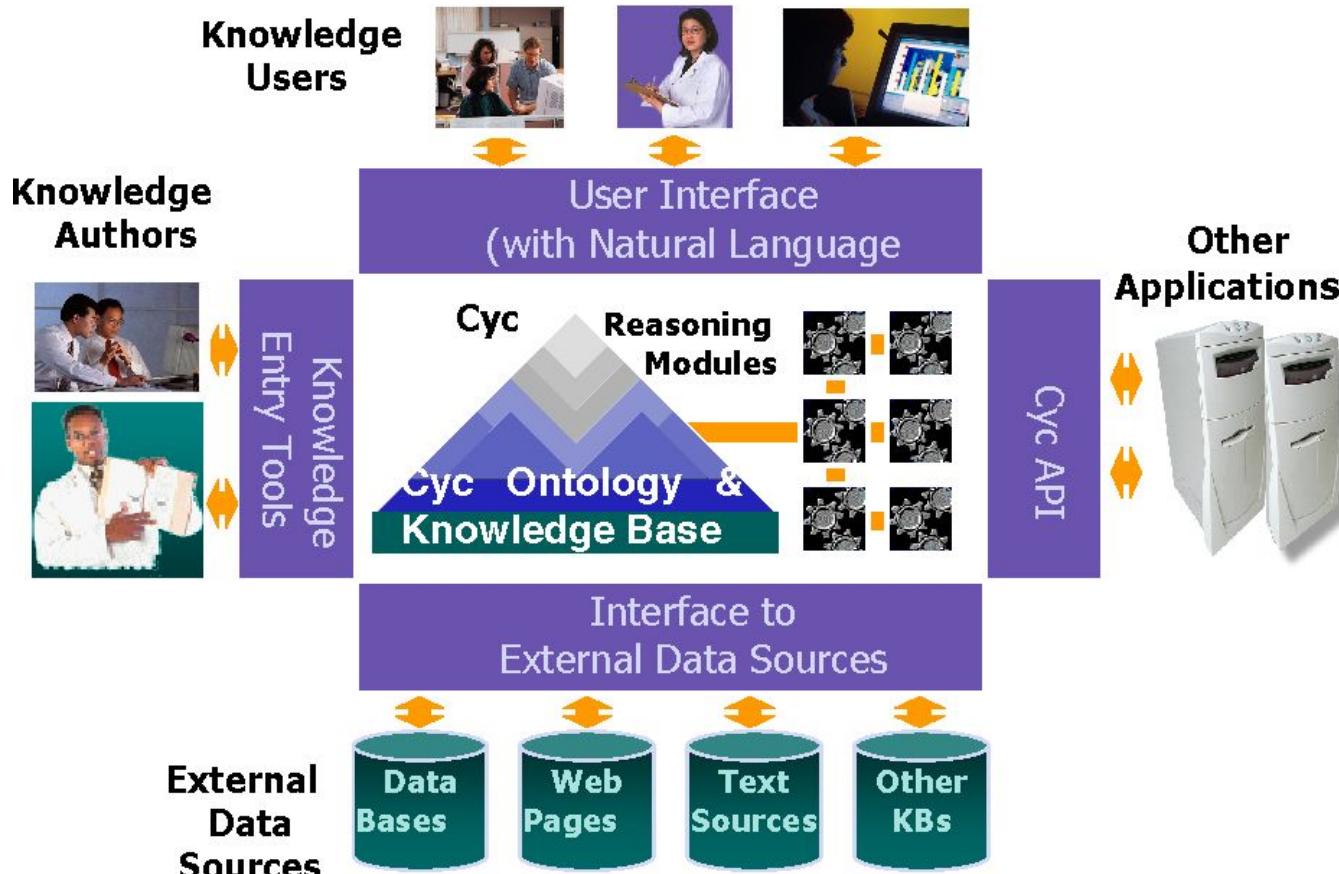
What is the objective of Cyc?

- to assemble an comprehensive ontology and Knowledge Base of common sense knowledge.
- to codify, in machine-readable form, millions of pieces of knowledge that comprise human common sense.
- Example:
 - "Every tree is a plant" && "Plants eventually die" from which we can infer "All trees die".

Example of a ‘top-down’ CSKG: Cyc



Evolution of Cyc



Limitations of top-down CSKGs

- Many of the same issues that other top-down systems (including, famously, expert systems) have, such as brittleness, expense of acquisition...
- When does work in AI stop, and work in philosophy and psychology begin?
- Even if it were possible, we can never get away from language models completely

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Review of bottom-up commonsense knowledge graphs: ConceptNet

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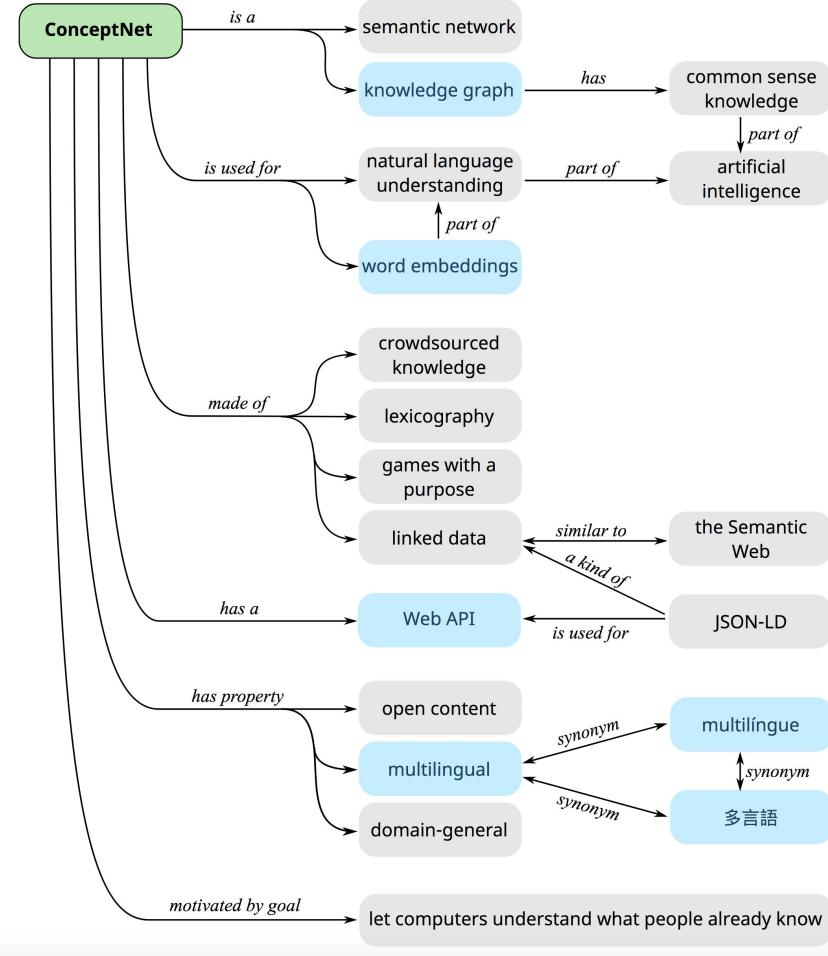
ConceptNet: An introduction

“**a freely-available semantic network**, designed to help computers understand the meanings of words that people use”

“an open, multi-lingual **knowledge graph**”

<https://www.conceptnet.io/>

The many faces of ConceptNet



Sources of knowledge

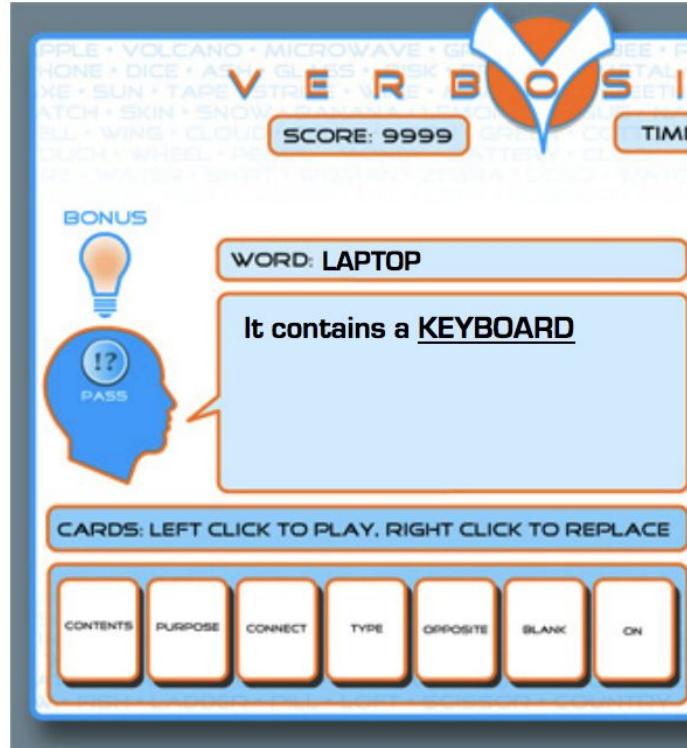
- Similar to previous versions, relational knowledge contributed to **Open Mind Common Sense** and its sister projects in other languages
- Subset of **DBpedia**
- **Wiktionary (a dominant source)**
 - Dictionary-style information also used from **Open Multilingual WordNet**
- High-level ontology from **OpenCyc**

Human-generated knowledge: Games with a purpose (GWAP)

“multi-player online game that is designed to be fun and accomplish tasks that are easy for humans but beyond the capability of today's computers.”

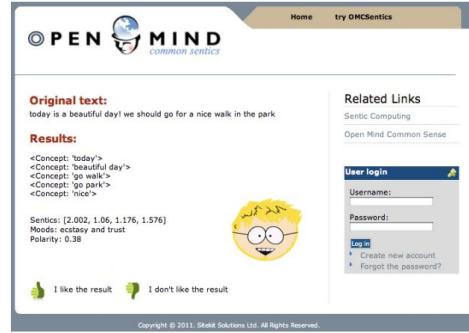
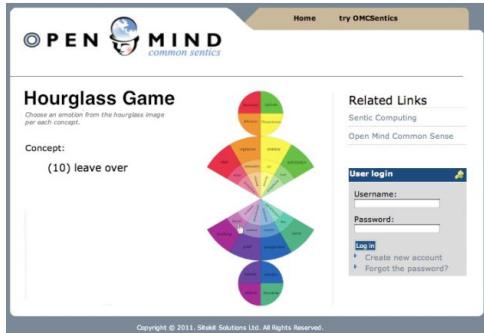
<https://www.cmu.edu/homepage/computing/2008/summer/games-with-a-purpose.shtml>

Example: Verbosity



<https://www.cs.cmu.edu/~biglou/Verbosity.pdf>

Lesson: GWAPs are useful for acquiring crowdsourcing CS acquisition



Accessing ConceptNet

- ConceptNet has a Linked Open Data API
 - Available as JSON-LD
- External URL links in ConceptNet are used to fulfill LD Principle 4
 - Linked to several other vocabularies, including WordNet, DBpedia, and OpenCyc
- API documentation:
<https://github.com/commonsense/conceptnet5/wiki/API>

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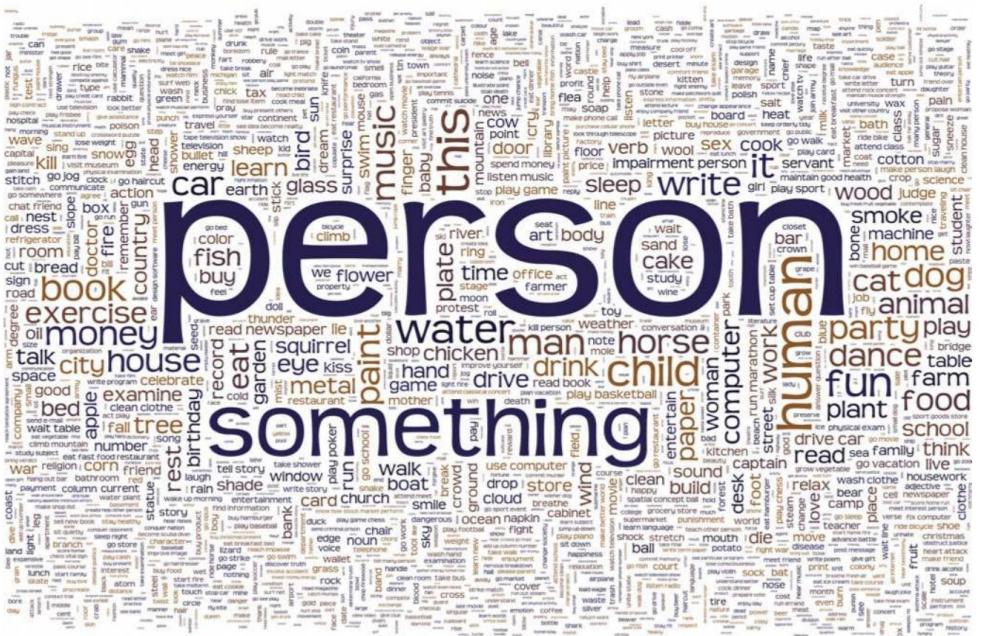
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  ▼ 1:
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With all this knowledge...

- Why not use it to understand the **nature** of commonsense knowledge?
- **Key idea:** Analyzing ConceptNet using a rigorous methodology can enable data-driven understanding of concepts like ‘context’ and ‘negation’

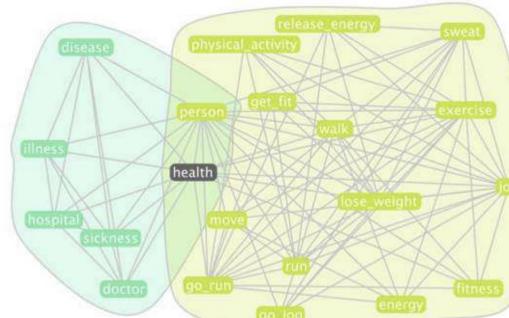
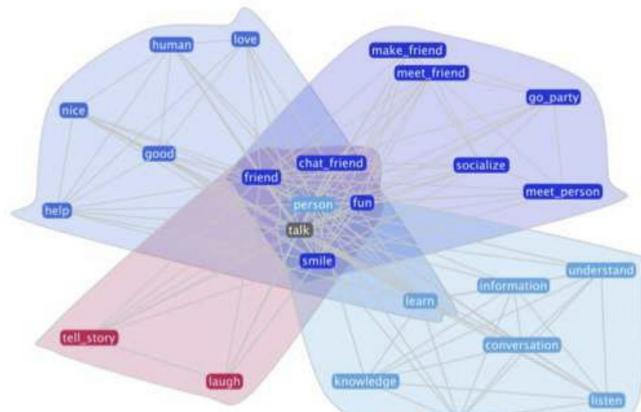
Early work

- In 2013, a report showed what we would expect from inductively derived KGs like ConceptNet: inconsistency
 - Structural analysis showed that some concepts are much more frequent than others



More recent work: using ConceptNet to study ‘context’

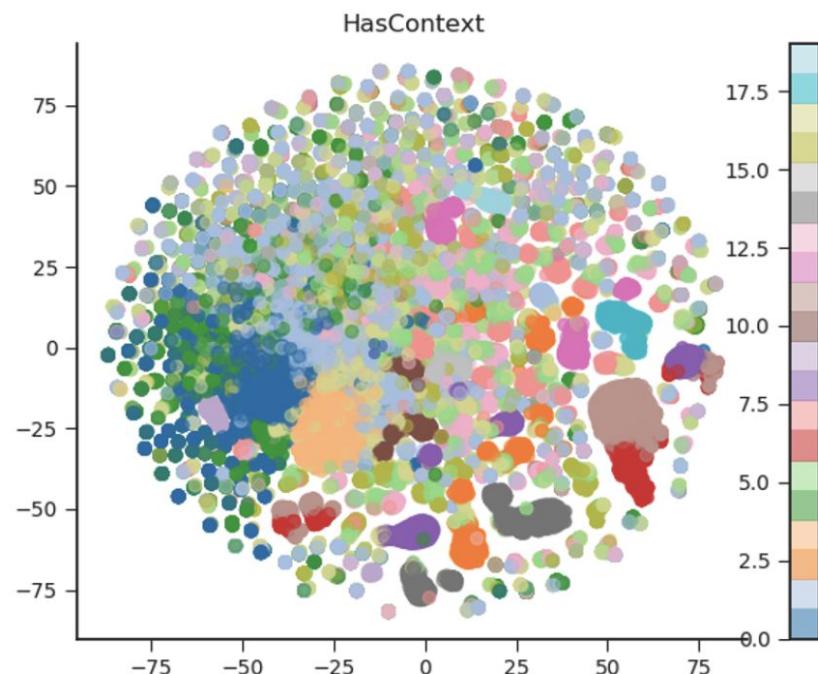
- What is context and why is it important?
 - We used PBG for getting KG embeddings on a 4 million-triples sample, and Fit-SNE for visualizations



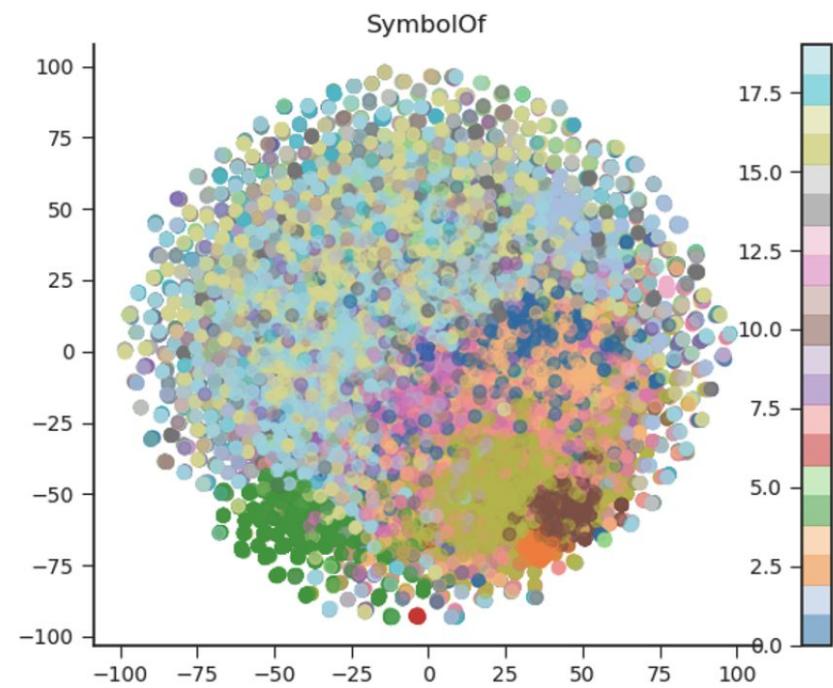
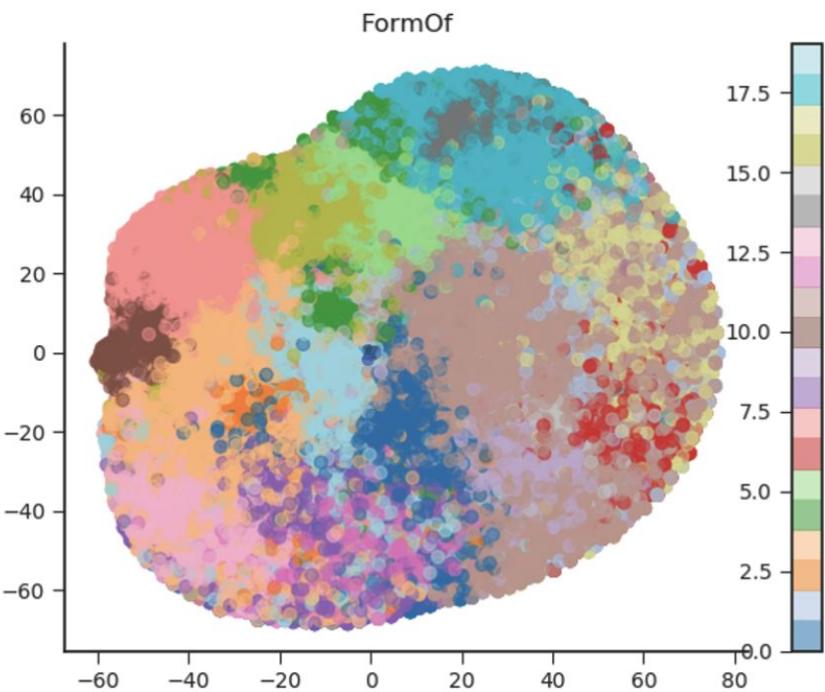
Findings: HasContext sub-structures

Example triples from two
'obvious' clusters (1 and 6)

1	/c/fr/sapide/a	/c/en/literary
	/c/hu/szir?n/n	/c/en/literary
	/c/ga/eo/n/wikt/en_3	/c/en/literary
	/c/af/elk/n	/c/en/literary
	/c/ga/gair/v/wikt/en_1	/c/en/literary
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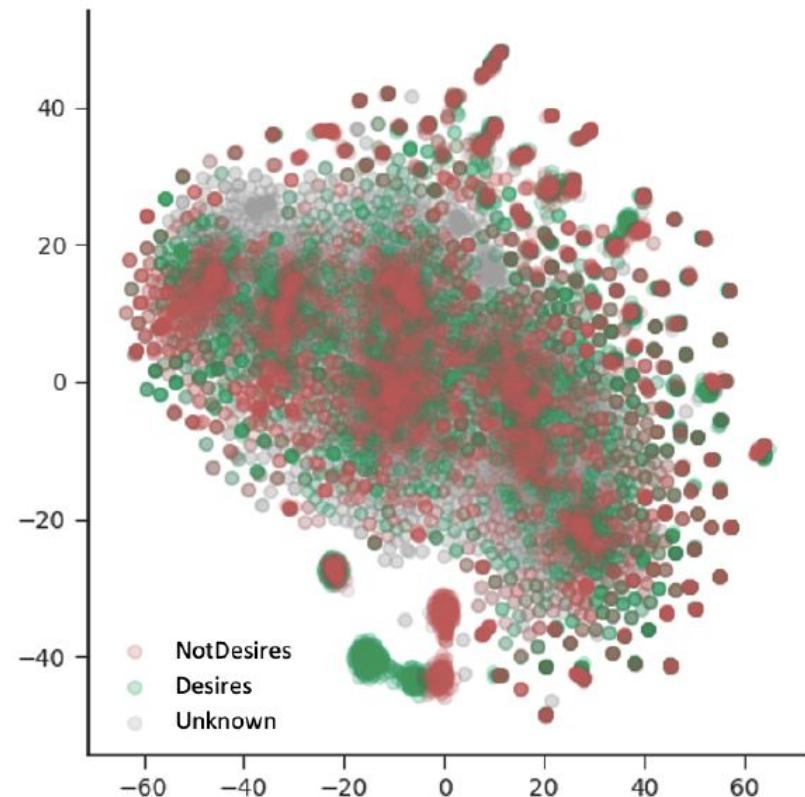


Another experiment: Understanding ‘negation’

- **Can we distinguish between a relation, its negation and its ‘unknowns’ in a visual space?**
- **What if we train a classifier on the embeddings?**

Results (Desires/NotDesires)

- Answer to the first question is no, though ‘unknowns’ are more distinctive
- Answer to the second question is yes
- May help explain why language models don’t (or can’t) do well on negation tasks without extra work



Review of bottom-up commonsense knowledge graphs: Other KGs

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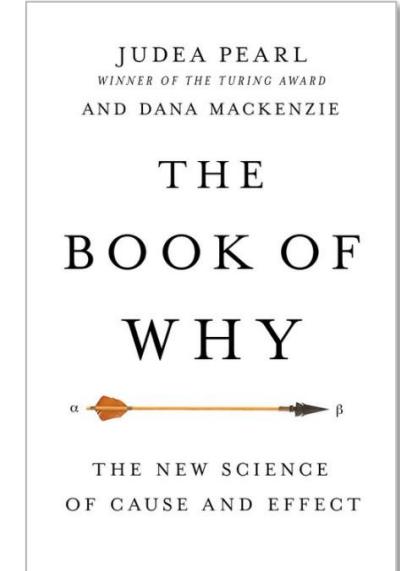
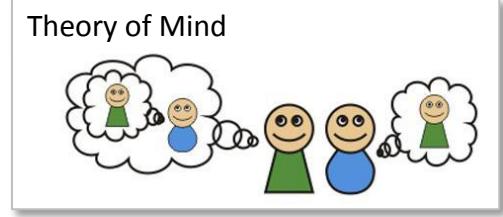
inferential knowledge in natural language form

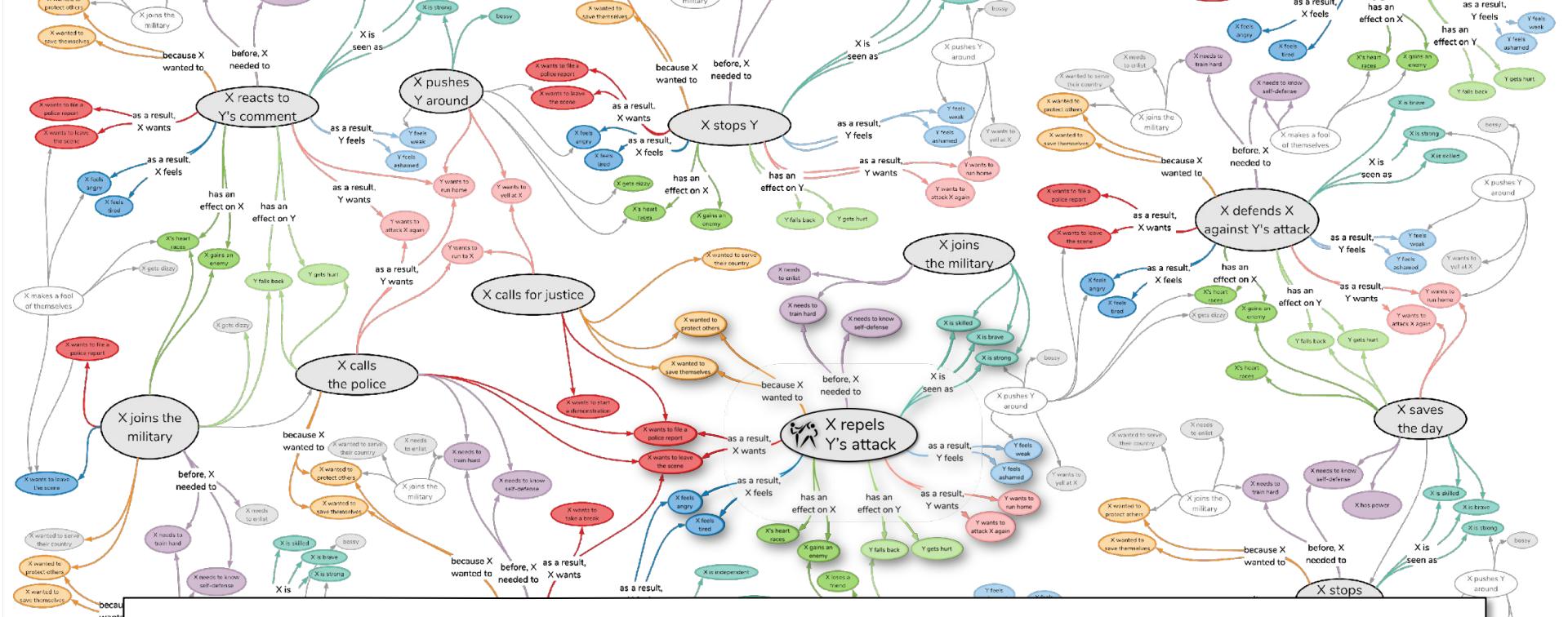
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Knowledge of causes and effects

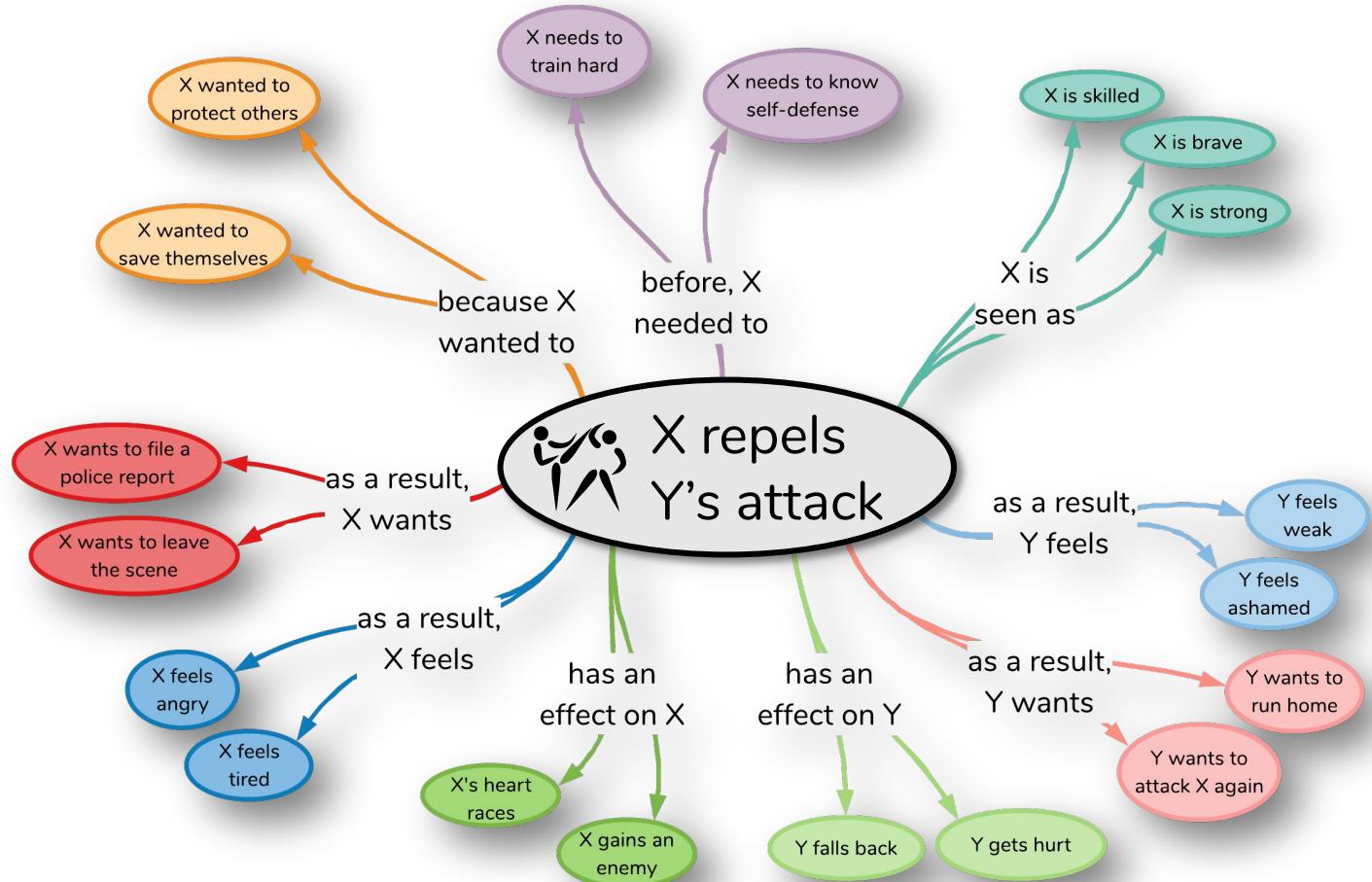
- Humans have **theory of mind**, allowing us to
 - make inferences about **people's mental states**
 - understand **likely events** that precede and follow
(Moore, 2013)
- AI systems struggle with *inferential* reasoning
 - only find **complex correlational patterns** in data
 - **limited to the domain** they are trained on

(Pearl; Davis and Marcus 2015; Lake et al. 2017; Marcus 2018)

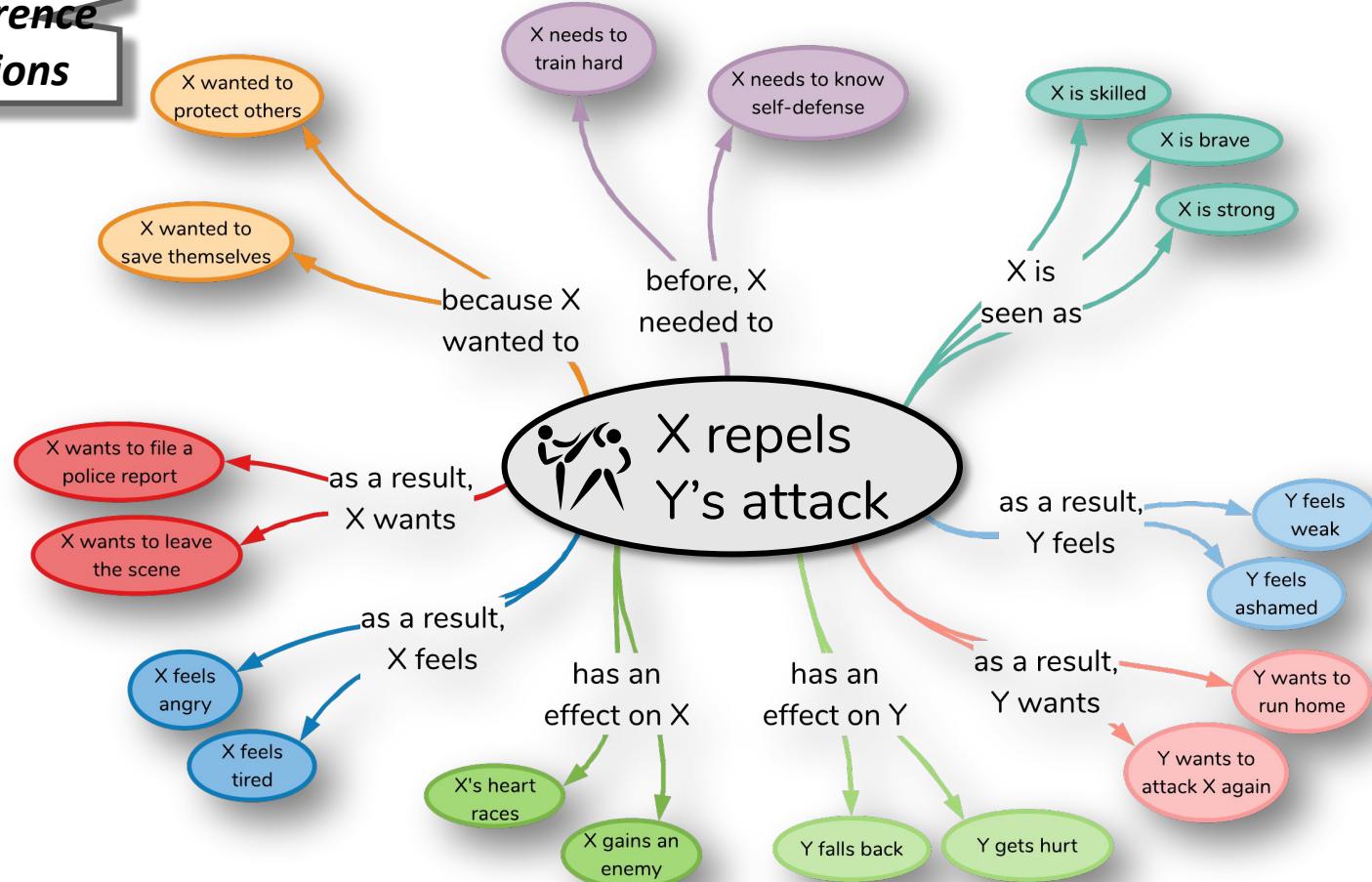




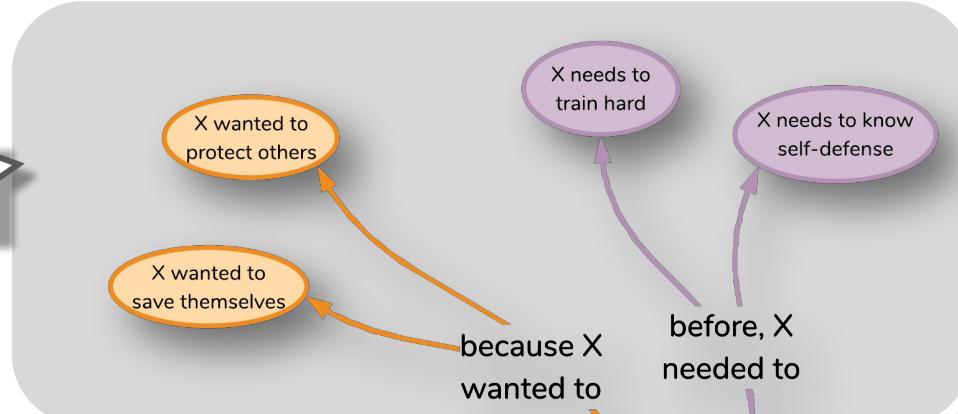
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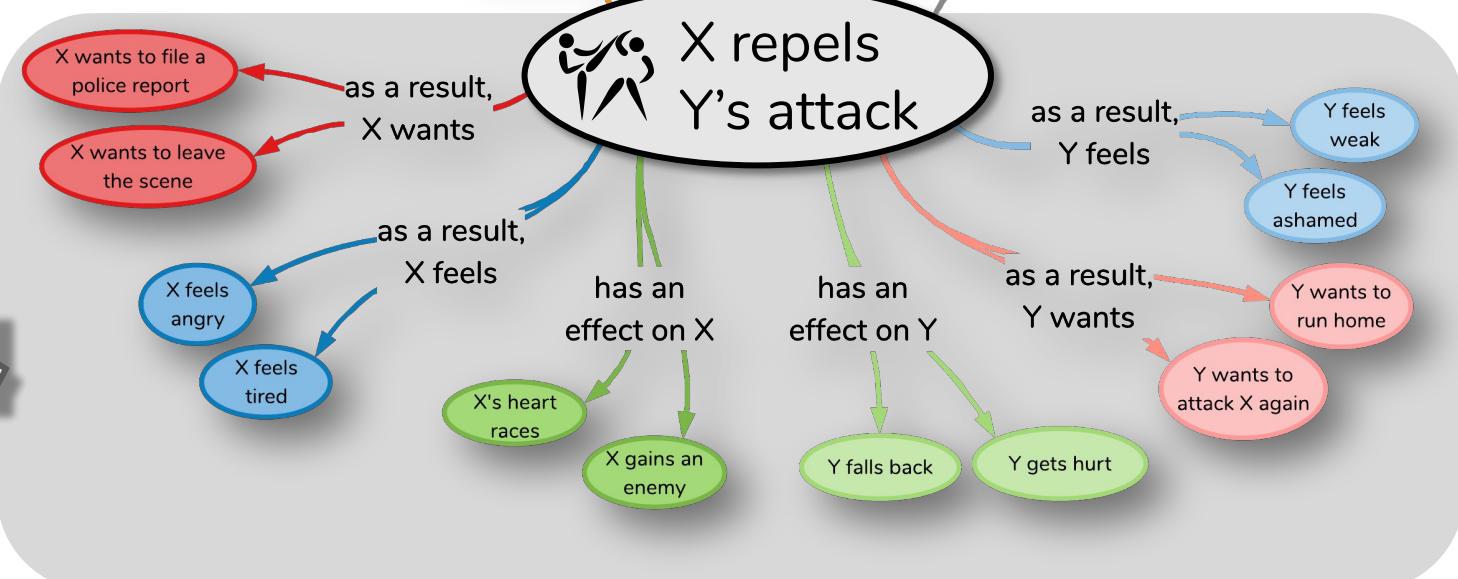
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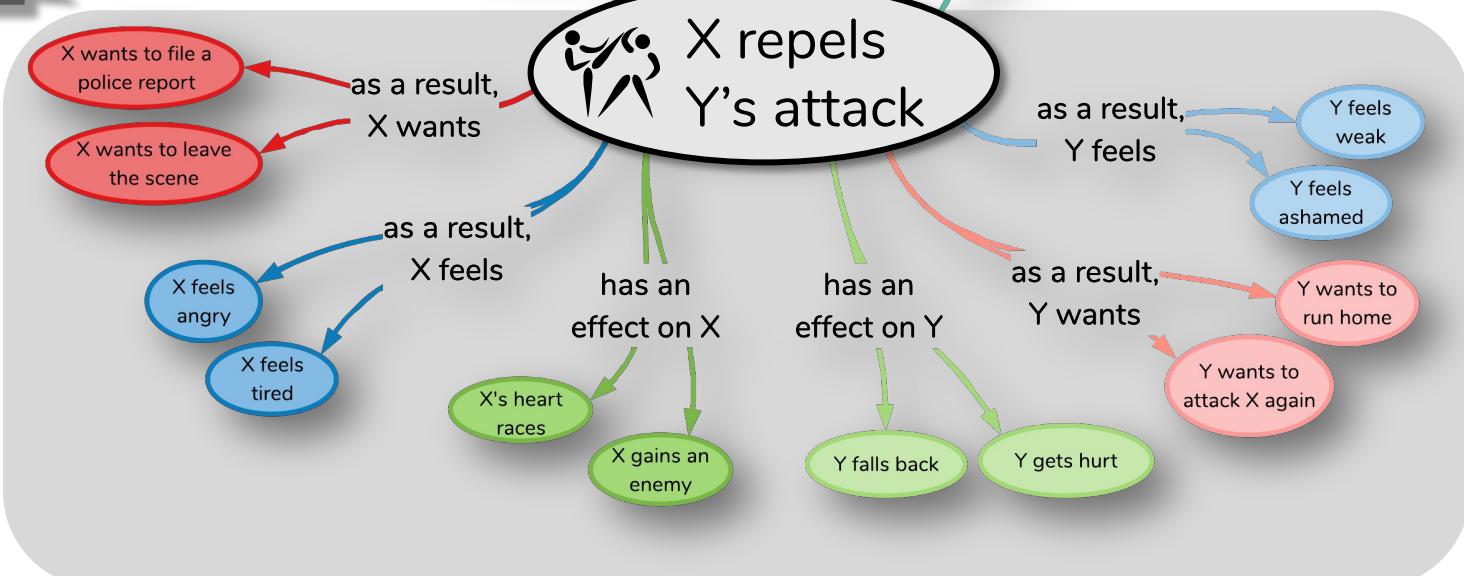
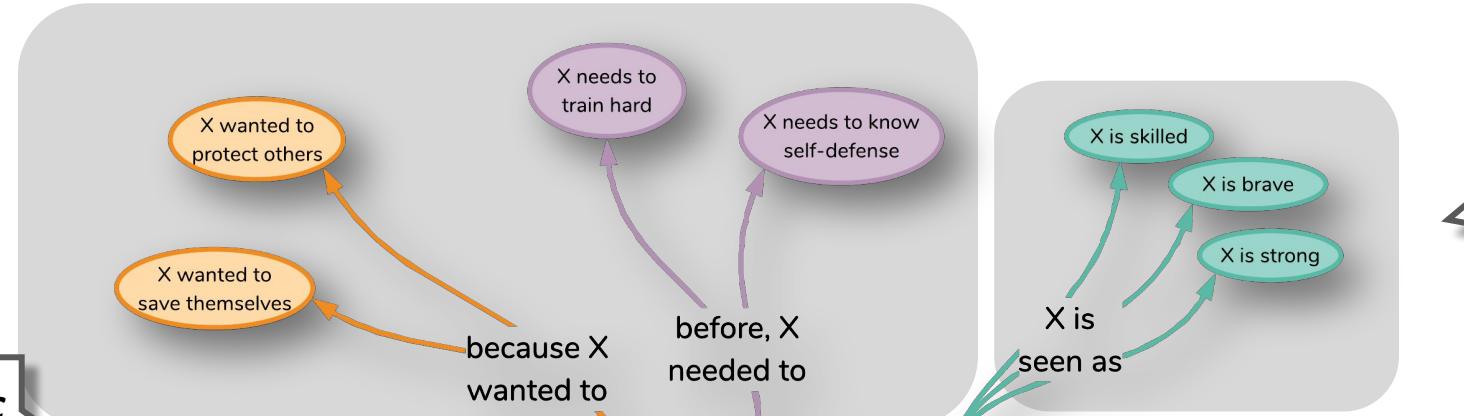
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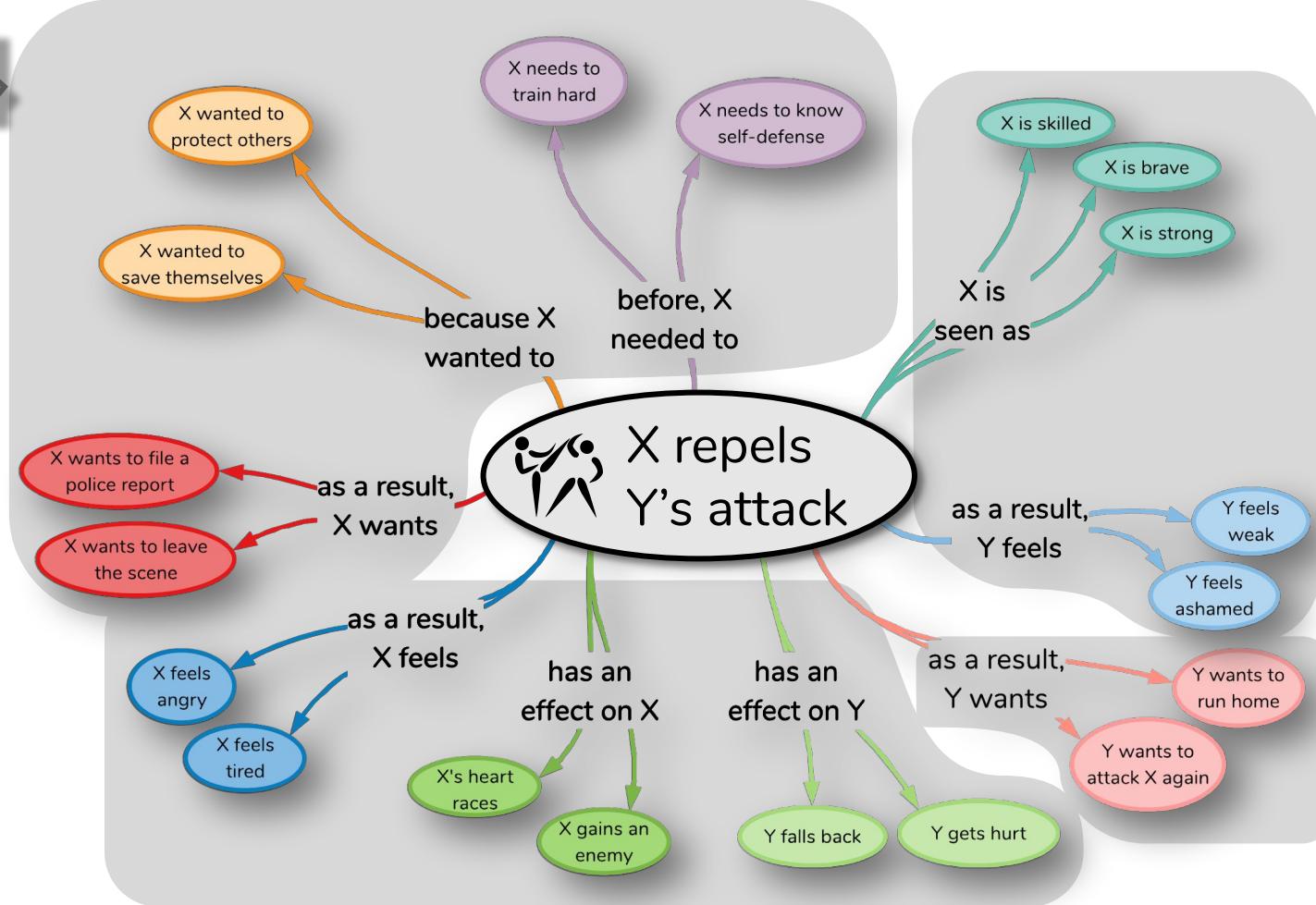
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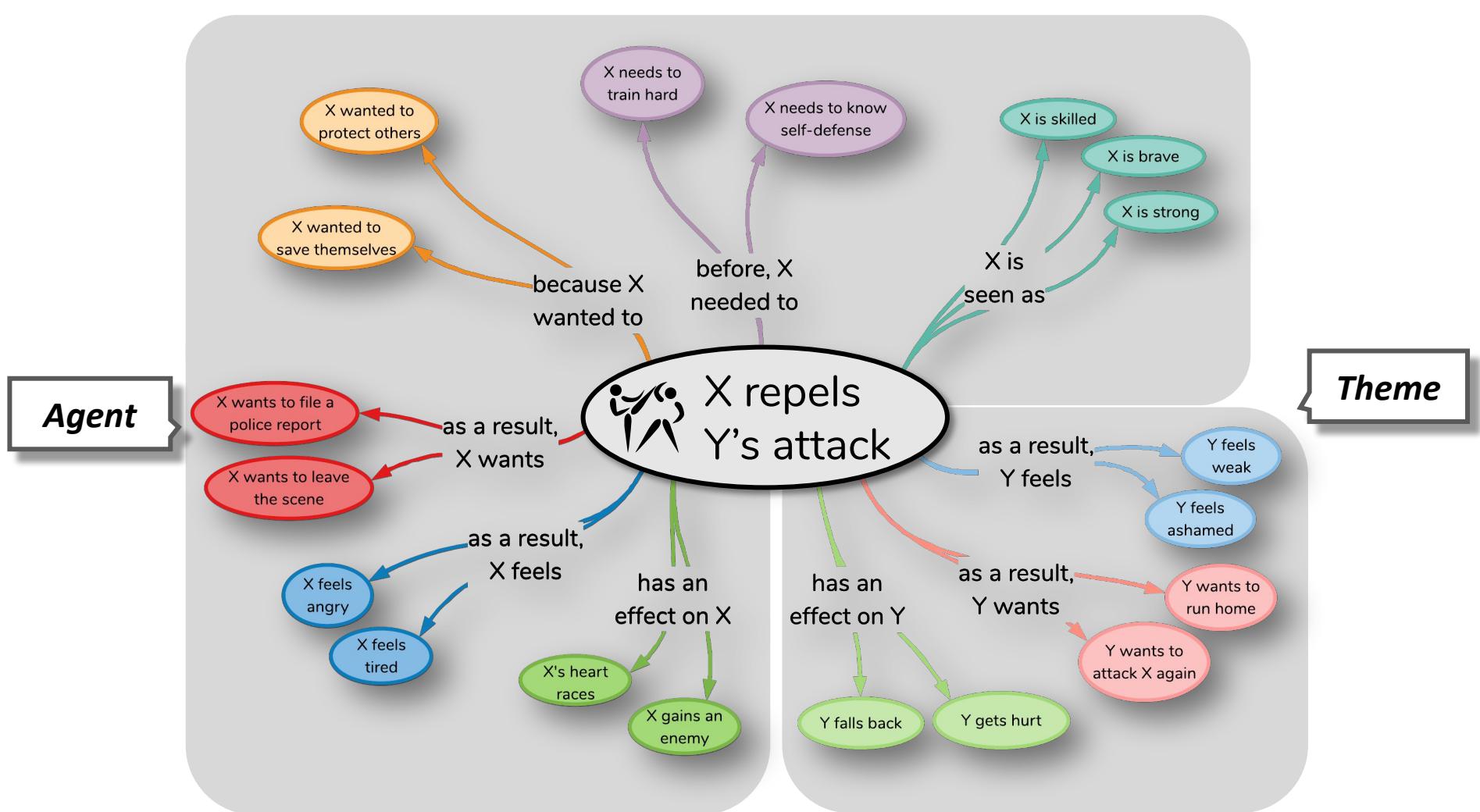
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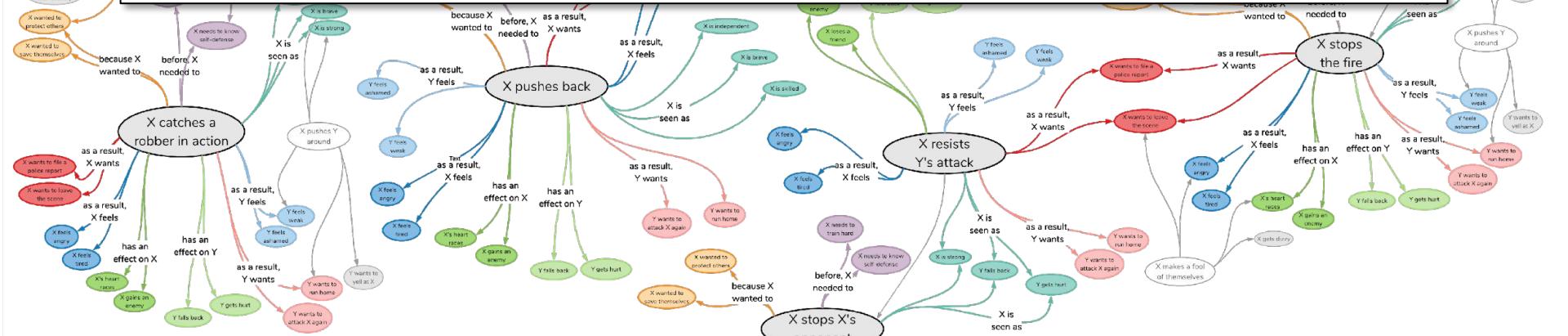
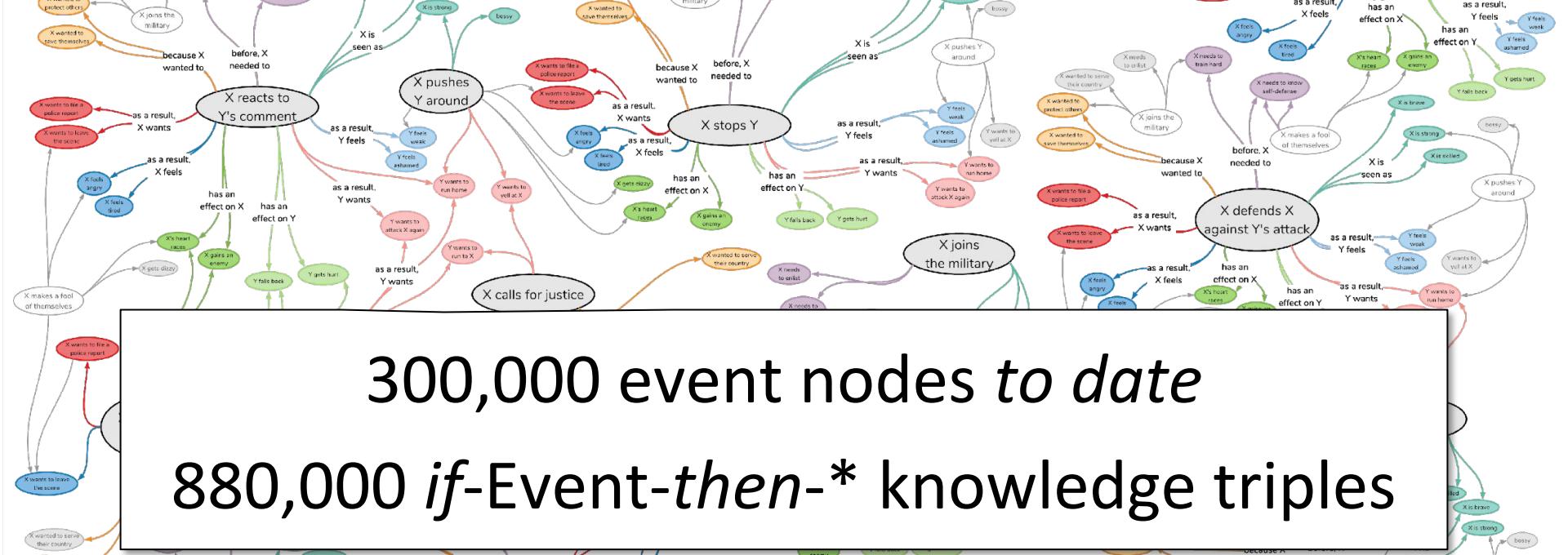


Voluntary



Involuntary





Event	Type of relations	Inference examples	Inference dim.
“PersonX pays PersonY a compliment”	If-Event-Then-Mental-State	PersonX wanted to be nice PersonX will feel good PersonY will feel flattered	xIntent xReact oReact
	If-Event-Then-Event	PersonX will want to chat with PersonY PersonY will smile PersonY will compliment PersonX back	xWant oEffect oWant
	If-Event-Then-Persona	PersonX is flattering PersonX is caring	xAttr xAttr
“PersonX makes PersonY’s coffee”	If-Event-Then-Mental-State	PersonX wanted to be helpful PersonY will be appreciative PersonY will be grateful	xIntent oReact oReact
	If-Event-Then-Event	PersonX needs to put the coffee in the filter PersonX gets thanked PersonX adds cream and sugar	xNeed xEffect xWant
	If-Event-Then-Persona	PersonX is helpful PersonX is deferential	xAttr xAttr
“PersonX calls the police”	If-Event-Then-Mental-State	PersonX wants to report a crime Others feel worried	xIntent oReact
	If-Event-Then-Event	PersonX needs to dial 911 PersonX wants to explain everything to the police PersonX starts to panic Others want to dispatch some officers	xNeed xWant xEffect oWant
	If-Event-Then-Persona	PersonX is lawful PersonX is responsible	xAttr xAttr

Best-effort mappings to ConceptNet

- **Wants:** MOTIVATEDBYGOAL, HASSUBEVENT, HASFIRSTSUBEVENT, CAUSESDESIRE
- **Effects:** CAUSES, HASSUBEVENT, HASFIRSTSUBEVENT, HASLASTSUBEVENT
- **Needs:** MOTIVATEDBYGOAL, ENTAILS, HASPREREQUISITE
- **Intents:** MOTIVATEDBYGOAL, CAUSESDESIRE, HASSUBEVENT, HASFIRSTSUBEVENT
- **Reactions:** CAUSES, HASLASTSUBEVENT, HASSUBEVENT
- **Attributes:** HASPROPERTY

COMET[◊]: Commonsense Transformers for Automatic Knowledge Graph Construction

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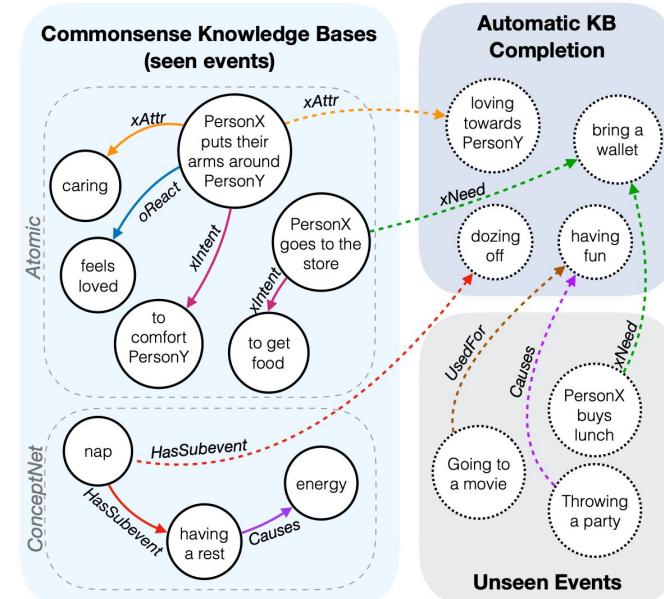
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Abstract

We present the first comprehensive study on automatic knowledge base construction for two prevalent commonsense knowledge graphs: ATOMIC (Sap et al., 2019) and ConceptNet (Speer et al., 2017). Contrary to many conventional KBs that store knowledge with canonical templates, commonsense KBs only store loosely structured open-text descriptions of knowledge. We posit that an important step toward automatic commonsense completion is the development of *generative* models of commonsense knowledge, and propose **COMmonsEnse Transformers** (COMET[◊]) that learn to generate rich and



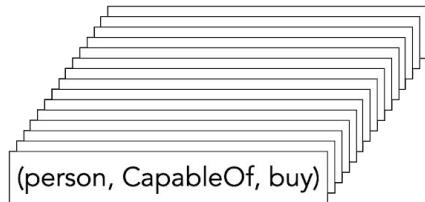
Building Common Sense KGs Is Hard

- Commonsense knowledge is **immeasurably vast**, making it **impossible to manually enumerate**
- Commonsense knowledge is often implicit, and often **can't be directly extracted from text**

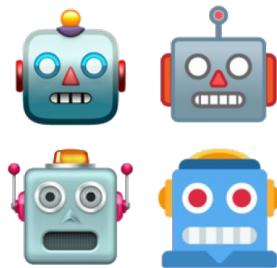
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Traditional KB Completion

Gather training set
of knowledge tuples



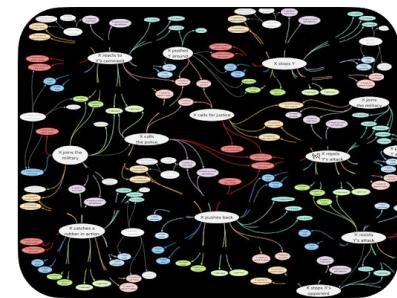
Learn relationships
among entities



Predict new
relationships

(person, CapableOf, ?)

Store in knowledge graph



(Socher et al., 2013)

(Bordes et al., 2013)

(Riedel et al., 2013)

(Toutanova et al., 2015)

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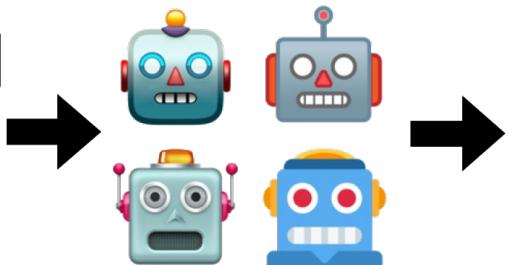
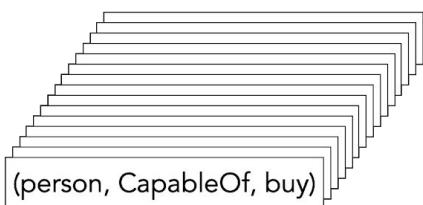
COMET Idea

Gather training set
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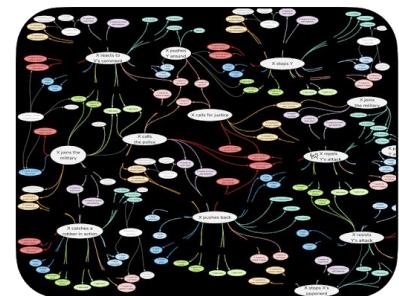
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ATOMIC Input Template and ConceptNet Relation-only Input Template

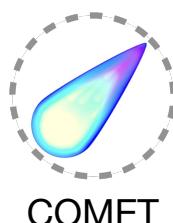


PersonX goes to the mall [MASK] <xIntent> to buy clothes

ConceptNet Relation to Language Input Template



go to mall [MASK] [MASK] has prerequisite [MASK] have money



Symbolic Knowledge Graph

Knowledge stored as triples

Knowledge is not contextualized

Knowledge is incomplete

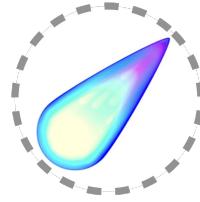
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Kai knew that things were getting out of control and managed to keep his temper in check



- Kai wants to avoid trouble
- Kai intends to be calm
- Kai stays calm
- Kai is viewed as cautious

COMET Knowledge Base Transformer

Knowledge generated dynamically

Input format is natural language

Randomly selected novel generations from ATOMIC

Seed Concept	Relation	Generated	Plausible
X holds out X's hand to Y	xAttr	helpful	✓
X meets Y eyes	xAttr	intense	✓
X watches Y every ____	xAttr	observant	✓
X eats red meat	xEffect	gets fat	✓
X makes crafts	xEffect	gets dirty	✓
X turns X's phone	xEffect	gets a text	
X pours ____ over Y's head	oEffect	gets hurt	✓
X takes Y's head off	oEffect	bleeds	✓
X pisses on Y's bonfire	oEffect	gets burned	
X spoils somebody rotten	xIntent	to be mean	
X gives Y some pills	xIntent	to help	✓
X provides for Y's needs	xIntent	to be helpful	✓
X explains Y's reasons	xNeed	to know Y	✓
X fulfils X's needs	xNeed	to have a plan	✓
X gives Y everything	xNeed	to buy something	✓
X eats pancakes	xReact	satisfied	✓
X makes ____ at work	xReact	proud	✓
X moves house	xReact	happy	✓
X gives birth to the Y	oReact	happy	✓
X gives Y's friend ____	oReact	grateful	✓
X goes ____ with friends	oReact	happy	✓
X eats all the cupcakes	oReact	to make a list	✓

Randomly selected novel generations from ConceptNet

Seed	Relation	Completion	Plausible
piece	PartOf	machine	✓
bread	IsA	food	✓
planet	AtLocation	space	✓
dust	AtLocation	fridge	
puzzle	AtLocation	your mind	🤔
college	AtLocation	town	✓
dental chair	AtLocation	dentist	✓
finger	AtLocation	your finger	
sing	Causes	you feel good	✓
doctor	CapableOf	save life	✓
post office	CapableOf	receive letter	✓
dove	SymbolOf	purity	✓
sun	HasProperty	big	✓
bird bone	HasProperty	fragile	✓
earth	HasA	many plant	✓
yard	UsedFor	play game	✓
get pay	HasPrerequisite	work	✓
print on printer	HasPrerequisite	get printer	✓
play game	HasPrerequisite	have game	✓
live	HasLastSubevent	die	✓
swim	HasSubevent	get wet	✓
sit down	MotivatedByGoal	you be tire	✓
all paper	ReceivesAction	recycle	✓
chair	MadeOf	wood	✓
earth	DefinedAs	planet	✓

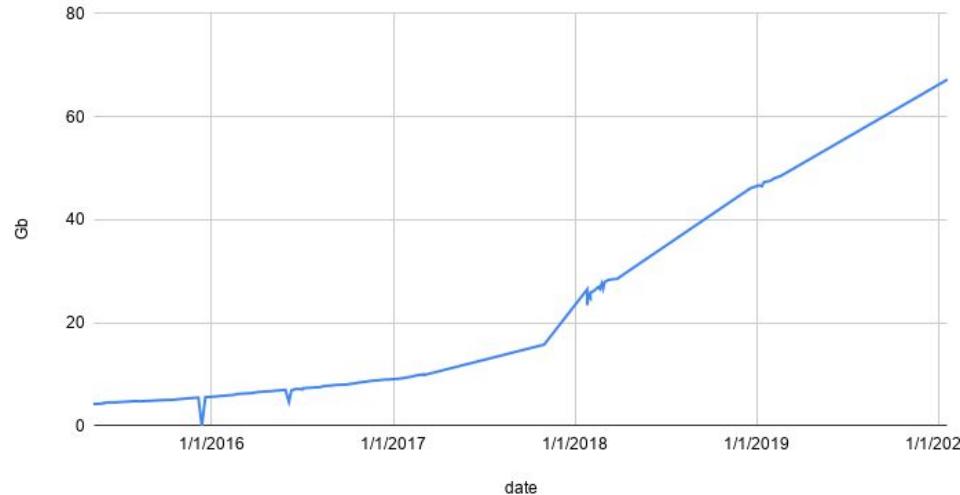
Wikidata

90M nodes

>1.1B edges

8k properties

wikidata Json dump size in Gb over time



How to distill commonsense knowledge?

Slides from Ilievski et al. (2020). [Commonsense Knowledge in Wikidata](#). Wikidata Workshop at ISWC 2020

Principles of Commonsense Knowledge

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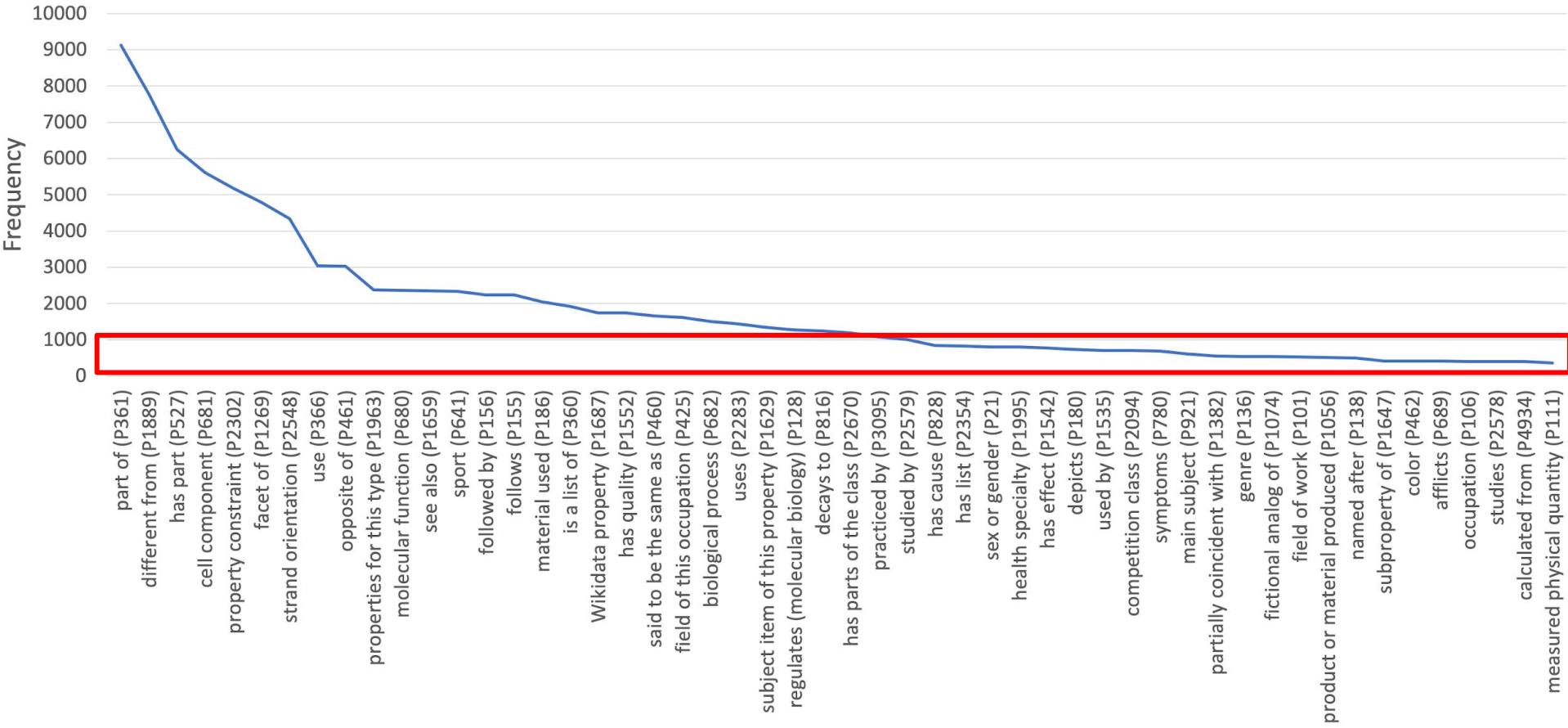
Container used for storage

Noma subclass of aphthous stomatitis

Corpus frequency

**After step
1 & 2:
414
relations
421k
edges**

Relation	#edges	Examples
subclass of (P279)	172,535	saxophone - woodwind instrument
instance of (P31)	141,499	happiness - positive emotion
part of (P361)	9,118	shower - bathroom
different from (P1889)	7,767	vein - artery
has part (P527)	6,252	senses - touch
cell component (P681)	5,607	cholesterol - cell membrane
property constraint (P2302)	5,180	votes received - integer constraint
facet of (P1269)	4,792	wind - weather
strand orientation (P2548)	4,345	sac-1 - forward strand
use (P366)	3,045	crystal ball - psychic reading
opposite of (P461)	3,028	political opposition - government
properties for this type (P1963)	2,382	human - date of birth
molecular function (P680)	2,369	protein kinase - kinase activity
see also (P1659)	2,344	position held - member of
sport (P641)	2,338	head stand - gymnastics
followed by (P156)	2,244	middle school - secondary school
follows (P155)	2,234	queen - jack
material used (P186)	2,047	ice cream cone - wafer
is a list of (P360)	1,914	list of major opera composers - human
Wikidata property (P1687)	1,746	president - head of government
has quality (P1552)	1,739	elder sister - female
said to be the same as (P460)	1,664	belief - conviction
field of this occupation (P425)	1,616	jockey - horse racing
biological process (P682)	1,509	hypothetical protein - cell differentiation
uses (P2283)	1,431	reading - written work



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P3: General-domain relations

wheel is part of a car

cholesterol has component cell membrane

Mapping to ConceptNet

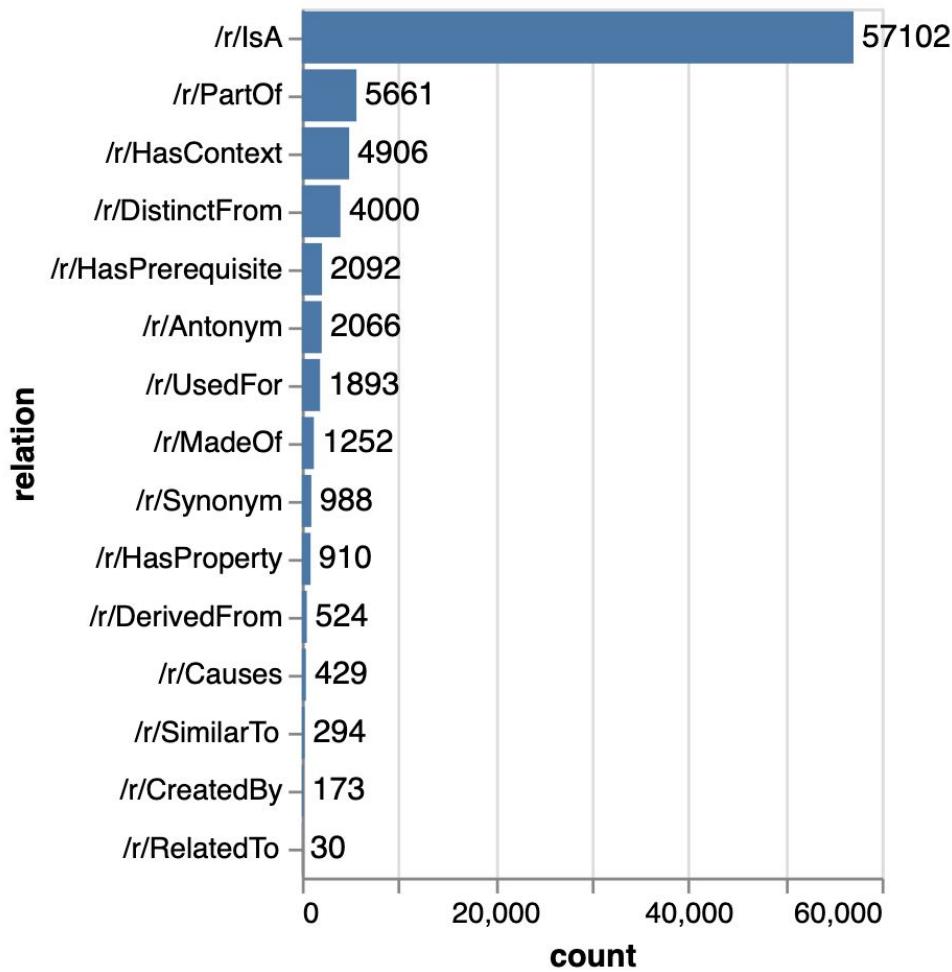
Mapping general-domain relations to ConceptNet

Category	ConceptNet	Wikidata
distinctness	/r/DistinctFrom	different from (P1889)
antonymy	/r/Antonym	opposite of (P461)
synonymy	/r/Synonym	said to be the same as (P460)
similarity	/r/SimilarTo	partially coincident with (P1382)
derivation	/r/DerivedFrom	named after (P138), fictional analog of (P1074)
inheritance	/r/IsA	instance of (P31), subclass of (P279), subproperty of (P1647)
meronymy	/r/PartOf	part of (P361), *has part (P527), *has parts of the class (P2670)
material	/r/MadeOf	material used (P186), is a list of (P360), *has list (P2354)
attribution	/r/CreatedBy	*product or material produced (P1056)
utility	/r/UsedFor	use (P366), *uses (P2283), used by (P1535)
properties	/r/HasProperty	color (P462), has quality (P1552), properties of this type (P1963), Wikidata property (P1687), sex or gender (P21)
causation	/r/Causes	*has cause (P828), has effect (P1542), symptoms (P780)
ordering	/r/HasPrerequisite	*followed by (P156), follows (P155)
context	/r/HasContext	facet of (P1269), sport (P641), field of this occupation (P425), health specialty (P1995), competition class (P2094), genre (P136), studied by (P2579), field of work (P101), afflicts (P689), *practiced by (P3095), depicts (P180), main subject (P921)
other	/r/RelatedTo	see also (P1659), subject item of this property (P1629)

*Wikidata-CS = 0.01% * Wikidata*

	Wikidata-CS	Wikidata	Ratio
# nodes	71,243	84 million	0.08%
# edges	101,771	1.5 billion	0.01%

Wikidata: Count Of Relations



Commonsense Knowledge in Wikidata

shower **part of** bathroom

reading **uses** written work

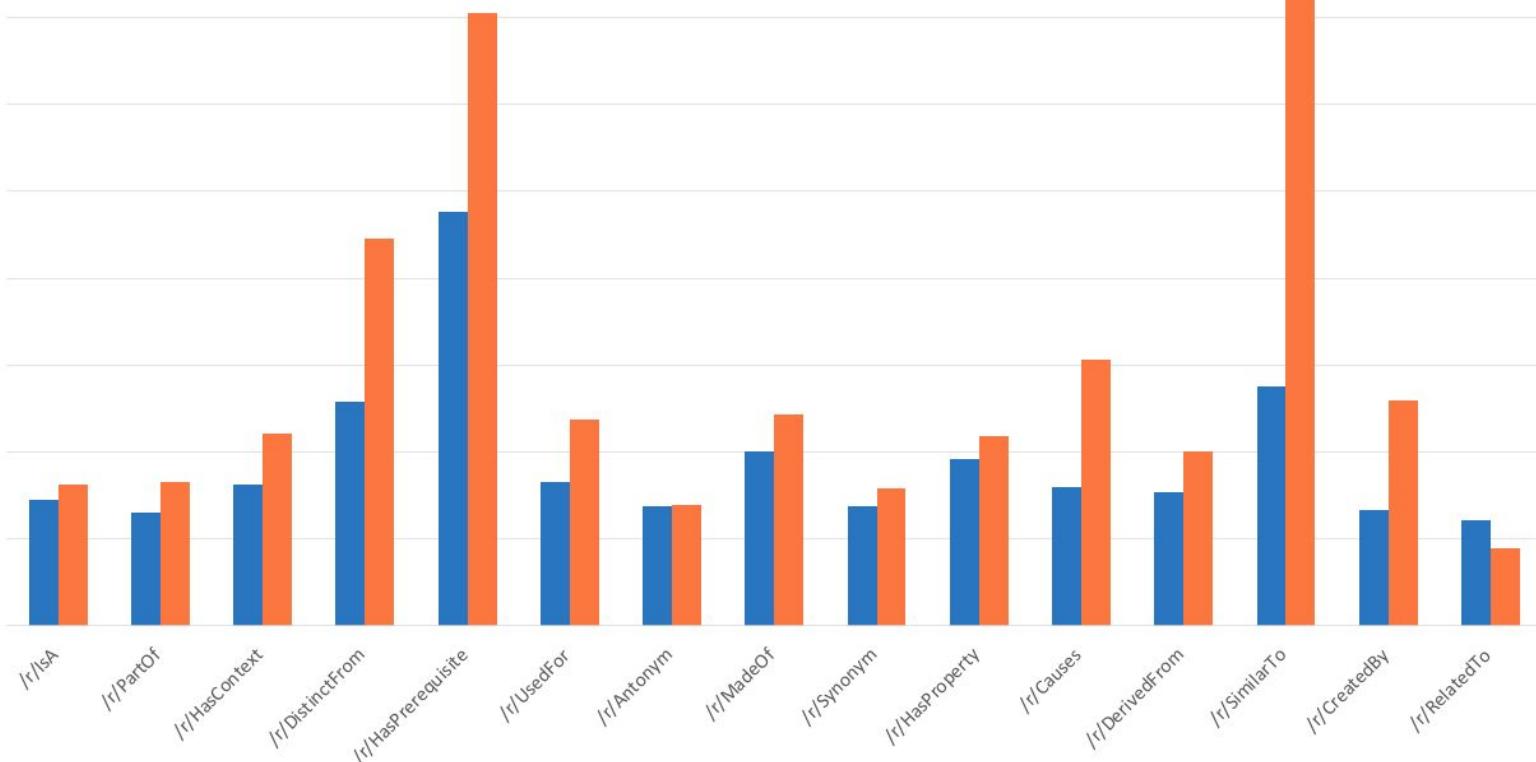
queen **follows** jack

political opposition **opposite of** government

Has it been growing over time?

	2017-12-27	2018-12-10	2020-05-04
/r/IsA	31,668	45,606 (144%)	72,707 (230%)
/r/PartOf	3,390	4,416 (130%)	7,938 (234%)
/r/HasContext	1,968	3,189 (162%)	6,152 (313%)
/r/DistinctFrom	782	2,011 (257%)	4,934 (631%)
/r/HasPrerequisite	413	1,965 (476%)	4,131 (1,000%)
/r/UsedFor	735	1,215 (165%)	2,469 (336%)
/r/Antonym	1,109	1,530 (138%)	2,184 (197%)
/r/MadeOf	415	834 (201%)	1,426 (344%)
/r/Synonym	478	655 (137%)	1,070 (224%)
/r/HasProperty	339	650 (192%)	1,049 (309%)
/r/Causes	150	238 (159%)	651 (434%)
/r/DerivedFrom	190	293 (154%)	540 (284%)
/r/SimilarTo	28	77 (275%)	345 (1,232%)
/r/CreatedBy	51	68 (133%)	187 (367%)
/r/RelatedTo	33	40 (121%)	42 (127%)
edges (Wikidata-CS)	41,769	62,787 (150%)	101,771 (244%)
edges (Wikidata)	405,081,219	696,605,955 (172%)	1,105,944,515 (273%)
nodes (Wikidata-CS)	32,620	47,056	71,243
nodes (Wikidata)	42,187,222	53,004,762	84,601,621

Growth per relation type (12-month)

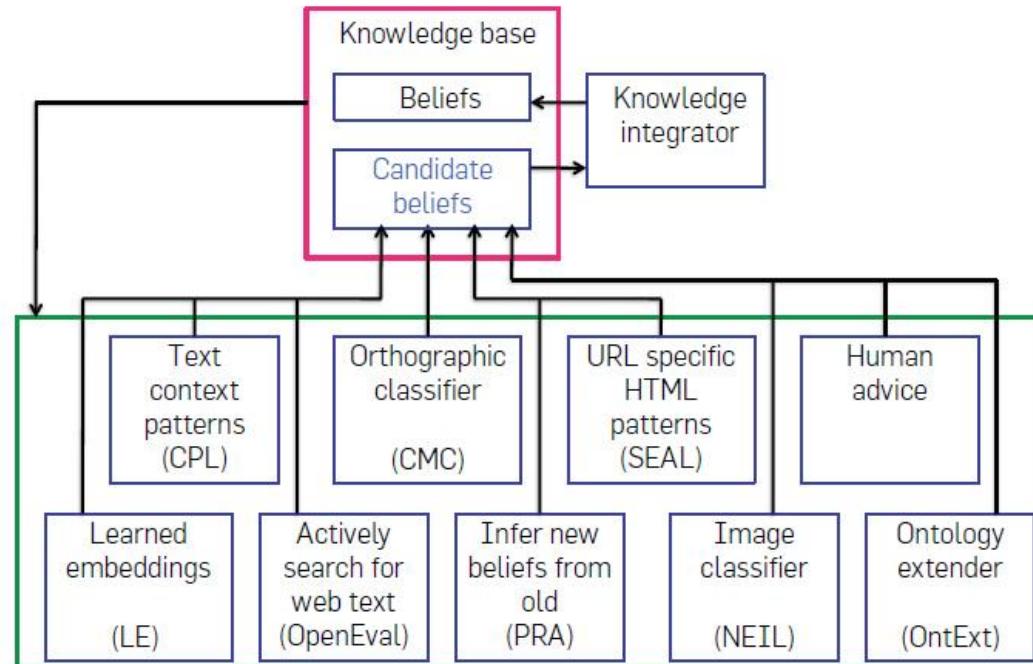


Wikidata-CS Is Small But Novel



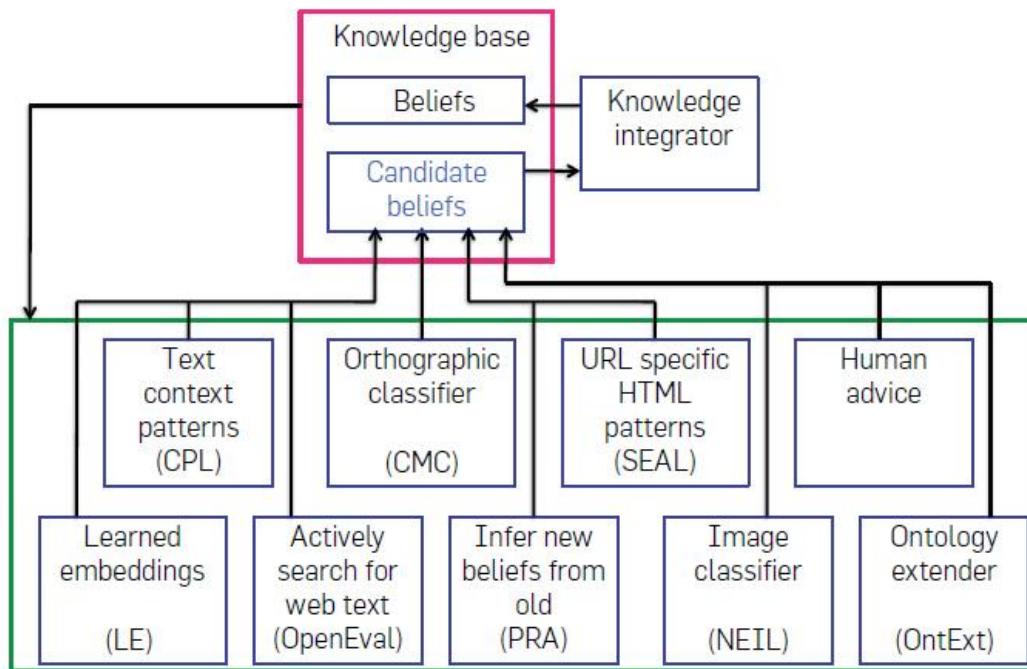
Never-Ending Language Learning (NELL)

NELL architecture



NELL statistics

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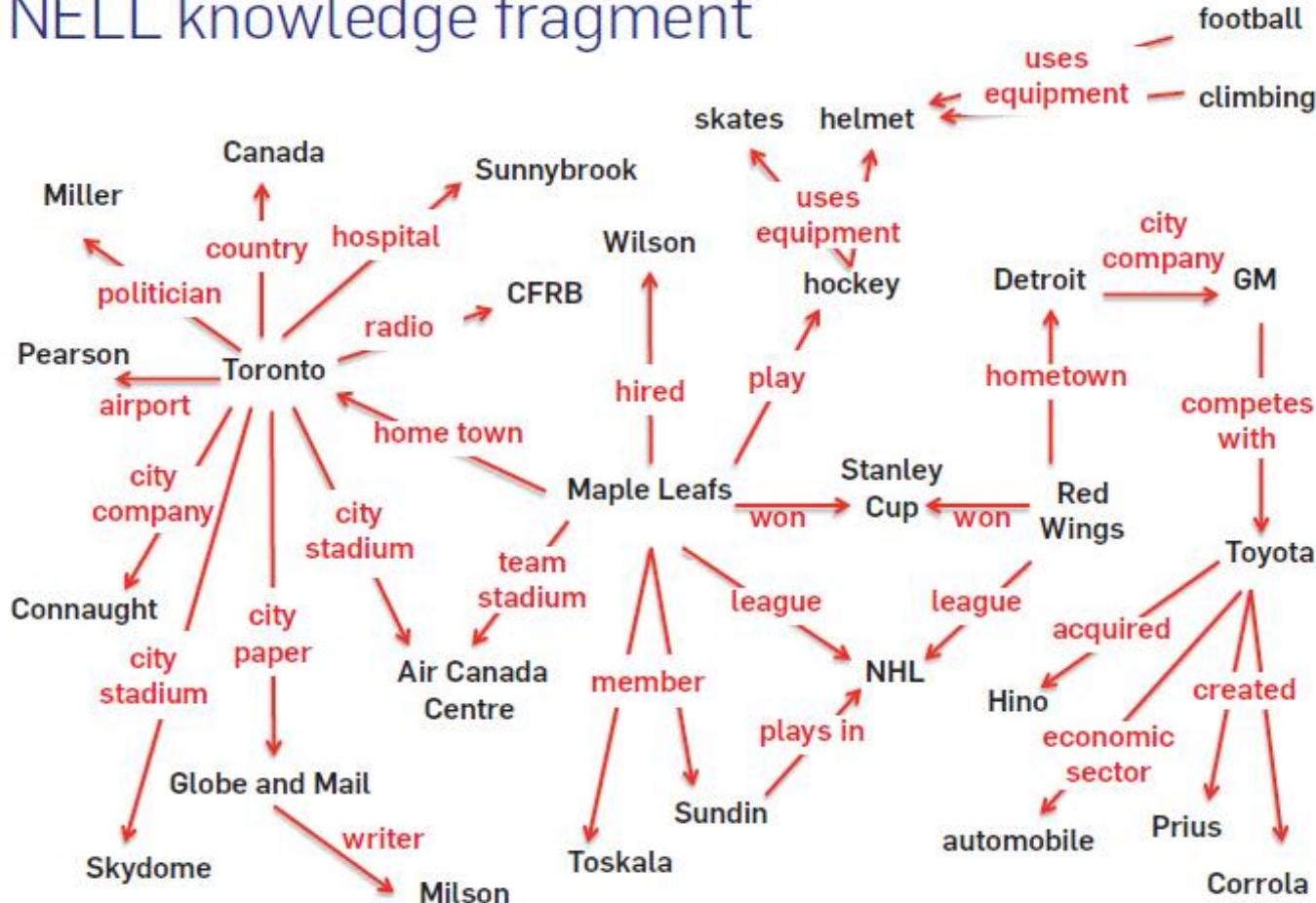


100M candidate beliefs

3M high-confidence facts

~3K predicates

NELL knowledge fragment



Latest learned facts

Recently-Learned Facts

Refresh

instance	iteration	date learned	confidence
translucent_paper is an office supply	1111	06-jul-2018	93.4
the_barbirolli_string_quartet is a musical artist	1111	06-jul-2018	99.2
private_support is an event outcome	1111	06-jul-2018	99.8
vancouver_olympic_games is an instance of the olympics	1111	06-jul-2018	95.2
eddie_mathews is a person	1111	06-jul-2018	98.9
roswell_road is a street in the city atlanta	1116	12-sep-2018	93.8
james_madison is a U.S. politician who holds the office of secretary	1115	03-sep-2018	98.4
rice was born in the city orleans	1116	12-sep-2018	100.0
republic is a country also known as china	1111	06-jul-2018	100.0
dodge is a specific automobile maker dealer in utah	1115	03-sep-2018	93.8

WebChild

Automatic acquisition and organization of common sense

>18M assertions

>2M disambiguated concepts and activities

WebChild relations

1. object properties

hasTaste, hasShape, evokesEmotion

2. comparative

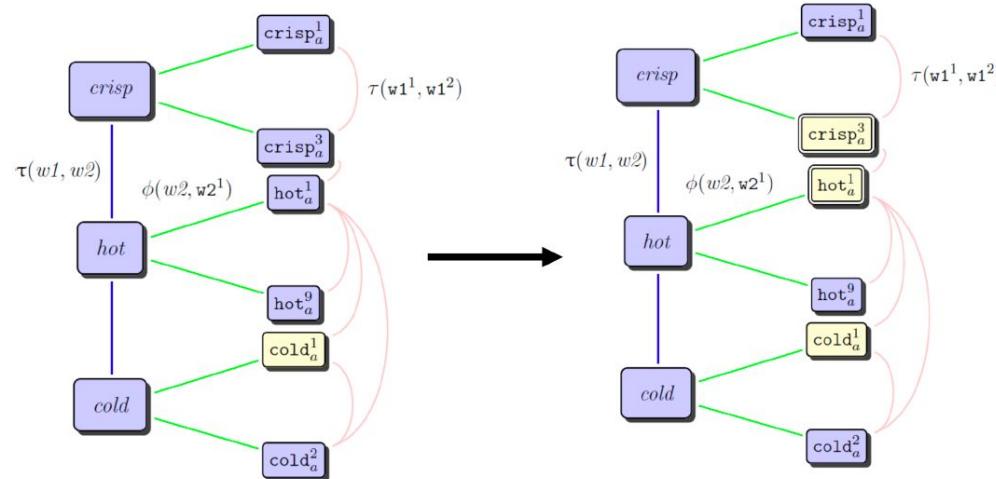
fasterThan, smallerThan

3. part-of

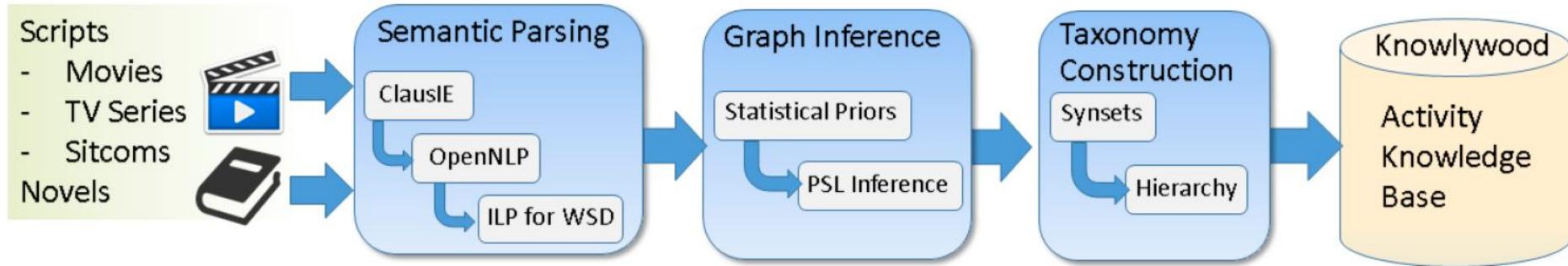
member of, physical part of, substance of

4. activities

WebChild label propagation



WebChild activity extraction



mountain: a land mass that projects well above its surroundings; higher than a hill

Example

TYPE OF	natural elevation
	size to object, under the category of mountaineering
PHYSICAL PROPERTIES	large high heavy cold hard More
ABSTRACT PROPERTIES	elegant old safe holy risky More
COMPARABLES	mountain,hill mountain,mount mountain, high hill valley,mountain More
HAS PHYSICAL PARTS	mountain peak mountainside slope tableland hill More
HAS SUBSTANCE	mixture metallic element material page wood More
IN SPATIAL PROXIMITY	coast tunnel lake sea river More
ACTIVITIES	climb mountain cross mountain move mountain see mountain ascend mountain



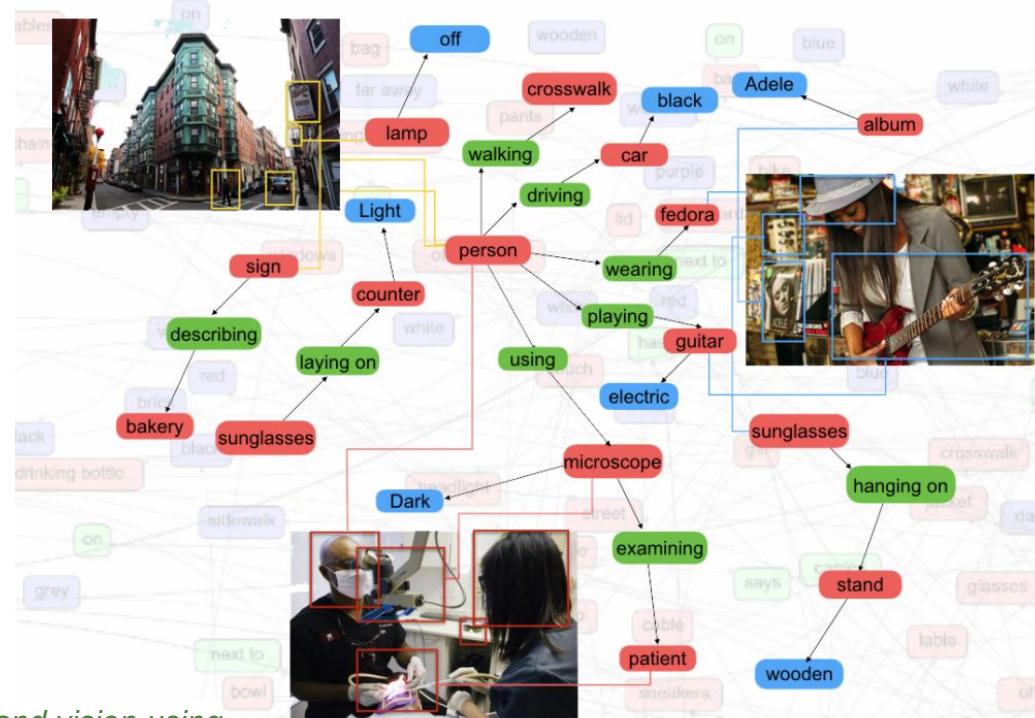
Demo

Visual Genome

108k images

annotated with scene graphs

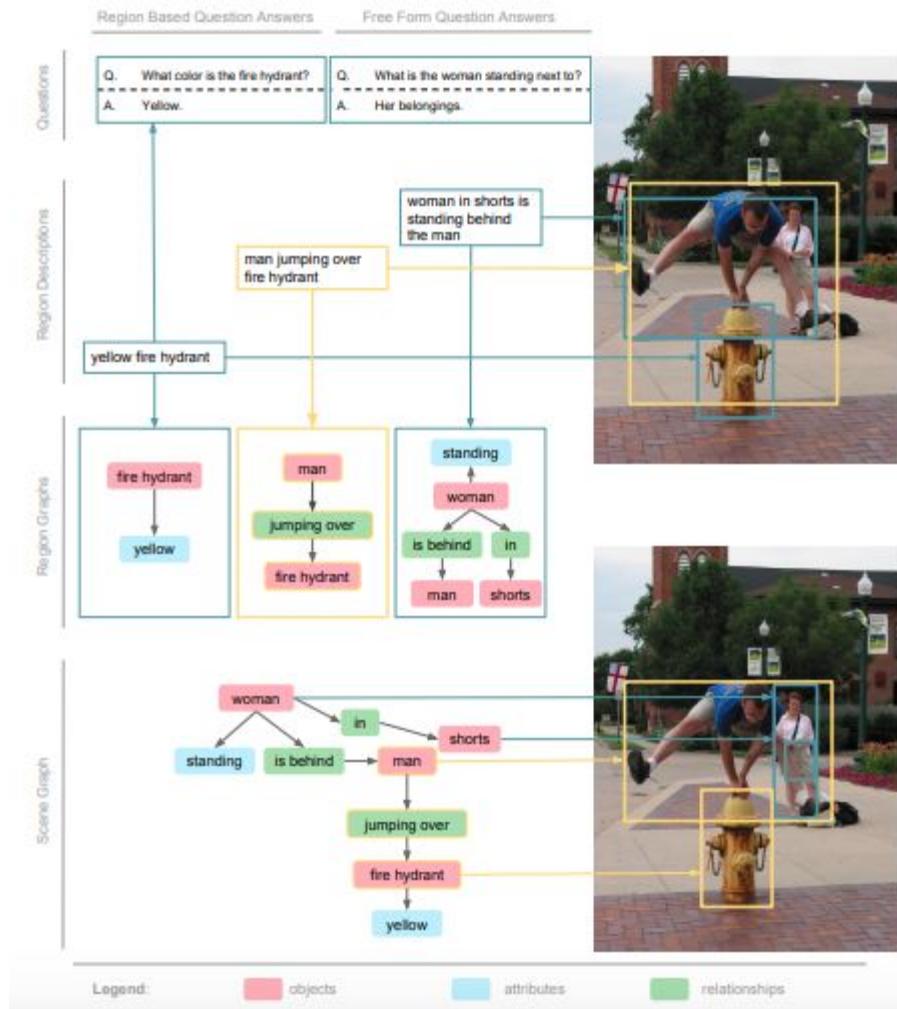
canonicalized to WordNet senses



Krishna et al. (2017). Visual genome: Connecting language and vision using crowdsourced dense image annotations. International journal of computer vision

Components

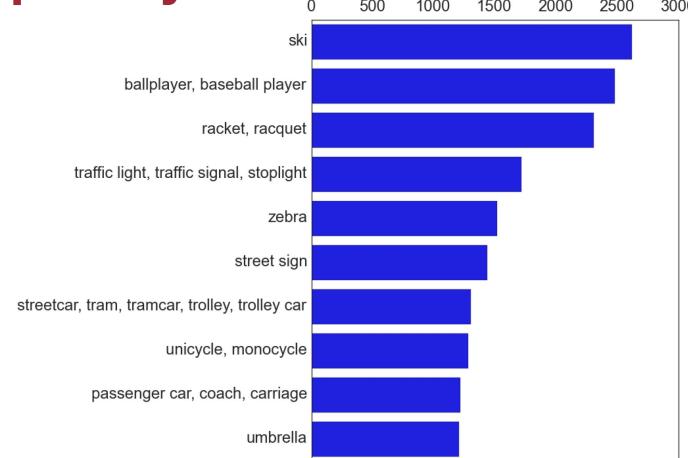
1. region descriptions
2. objects
3. attributes
4. relationships
5. region graphs
6. scene graphs
7. question-answer pairs



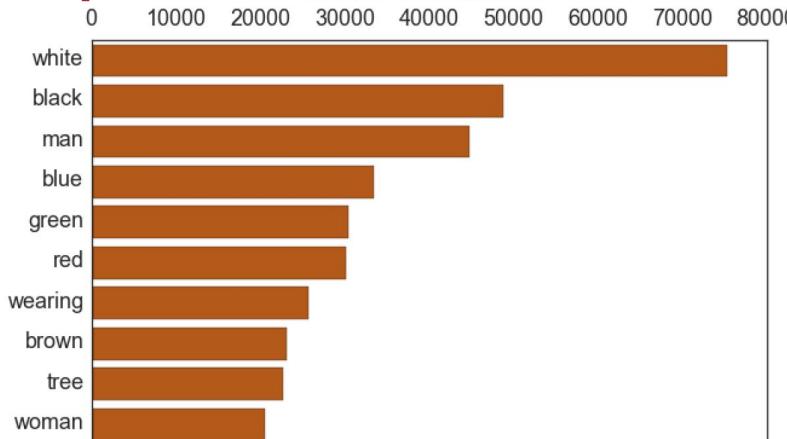
Statistics

- **108,077 images**
- **50 descriptions per image**
- **objects**
 - **3.8M in total (35 objects per image)**
 - **33,877 categories (synsets)**
- **attributes**
 - **26 per image**
 - **68,111 categories (synsets)**
- **relationships**
 - **21 per image**
 - **42,374 categories (synsets)**
- **QA pairs**
 - **1.7 million**

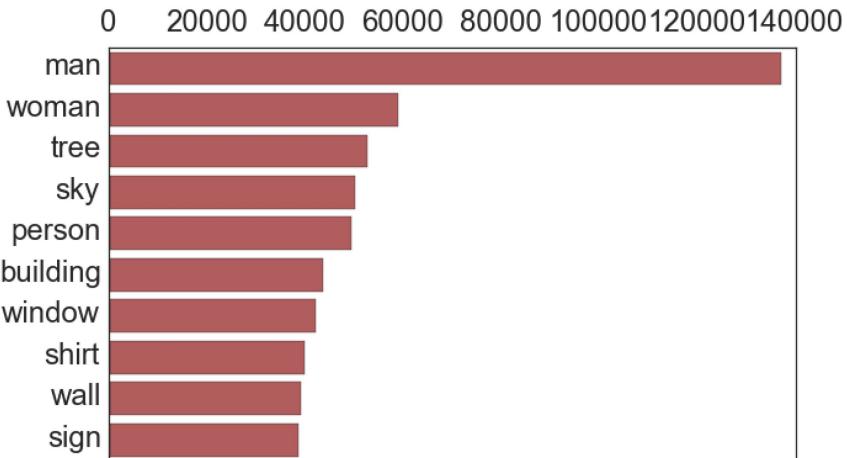
Top 10 synsets



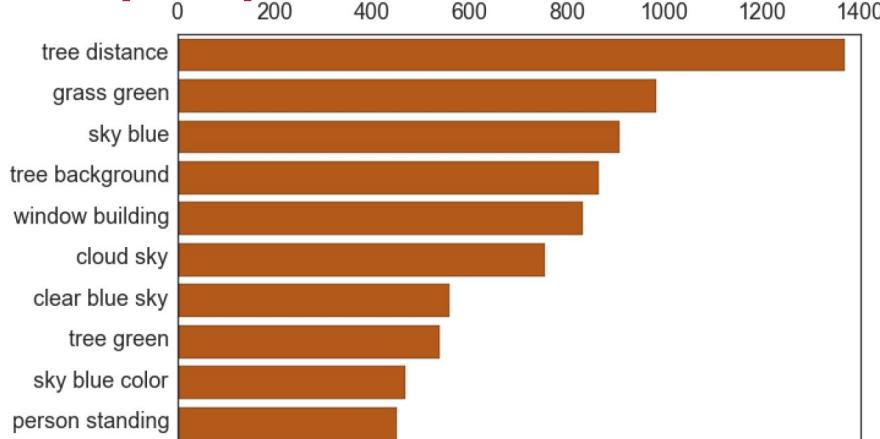
Top 10 words



Top 10 object categories



Top 10 phrases



Visual Genome as a KG

Objects = WordNet senses

'red shoe' is the label

shoe#n#1 is the node

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/r/LocatedNear is the relation

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Attributes

(POS=v) /r/CapableOf

(POS=a) mw:MayHaveProperty

(POS=n) -

Some other CKGs

WordNet

Tuple KB

FrameNet

Quasimodo KB

VerbNet

PropStore

ROGET

Demos



<https://caninehq.com/best-dog-breeds-for-playing-frisbee/>

Dog and Frisbee

Wikidata:

<https://sqid.toolforge.org/#/view?id=Q144> (dog)

<https://sqid.toolforge.org/#/view?id=Q131689> (frisbee)

ConceptNet:

<https://www.conceptnet.io/c/en/dog>

<https://www.conceptnet.io/c/en/dogs>

<http://conceptnet.io/c/en/frisbee>

https://www.conceptnet.io/c/en/dogs_catching_frisbees

VisualGenome

<https://visualgenome.org/VGViz/explore?query=throwing%20frisbee%20dog>

ATOMIC:

https://mosaickg.apps.allenai.org/kg_atomic/?l=PersonX%20throws%20a%20frisbee

COMET:

[comet dog](#)

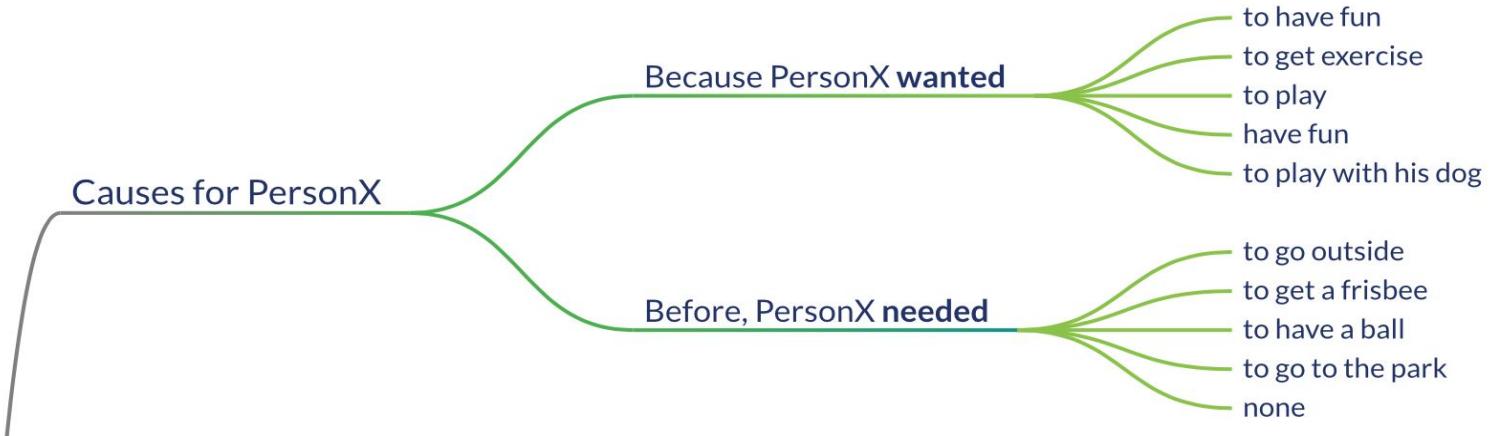
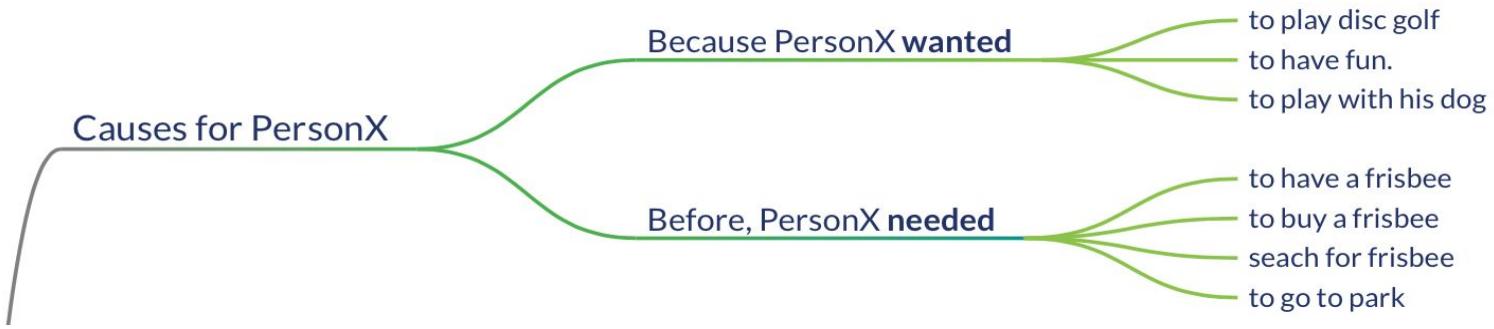
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DICE

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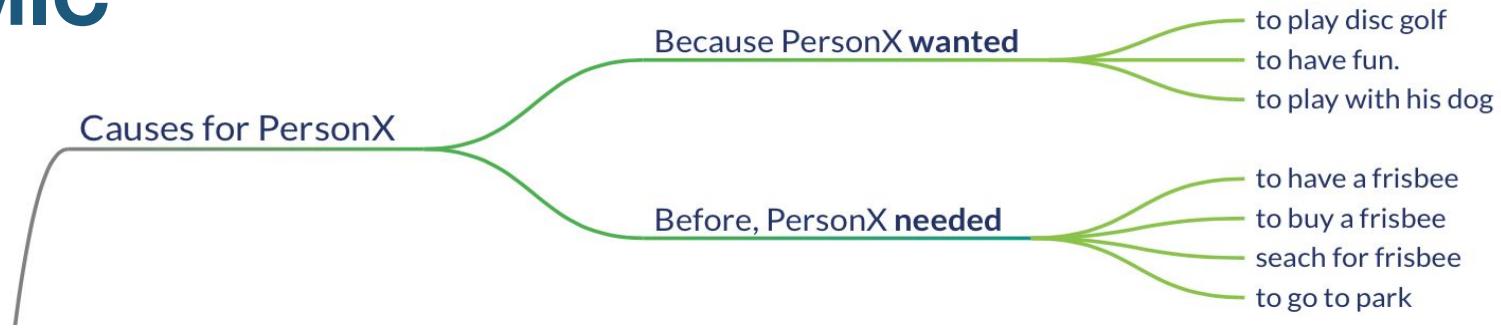
PersonX throws frisbee

ATOMIC or COMET?

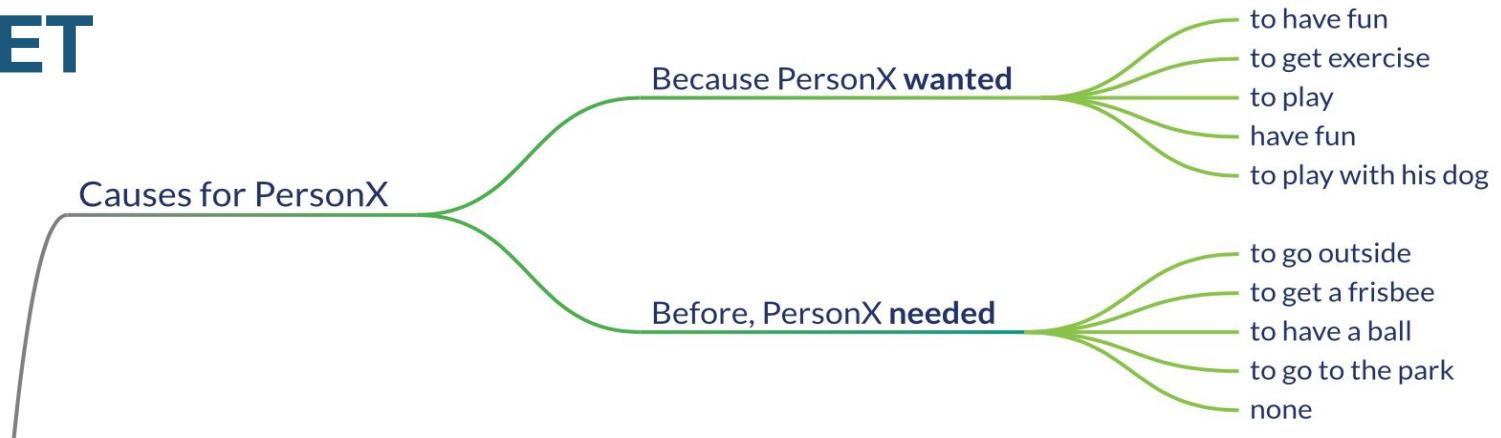


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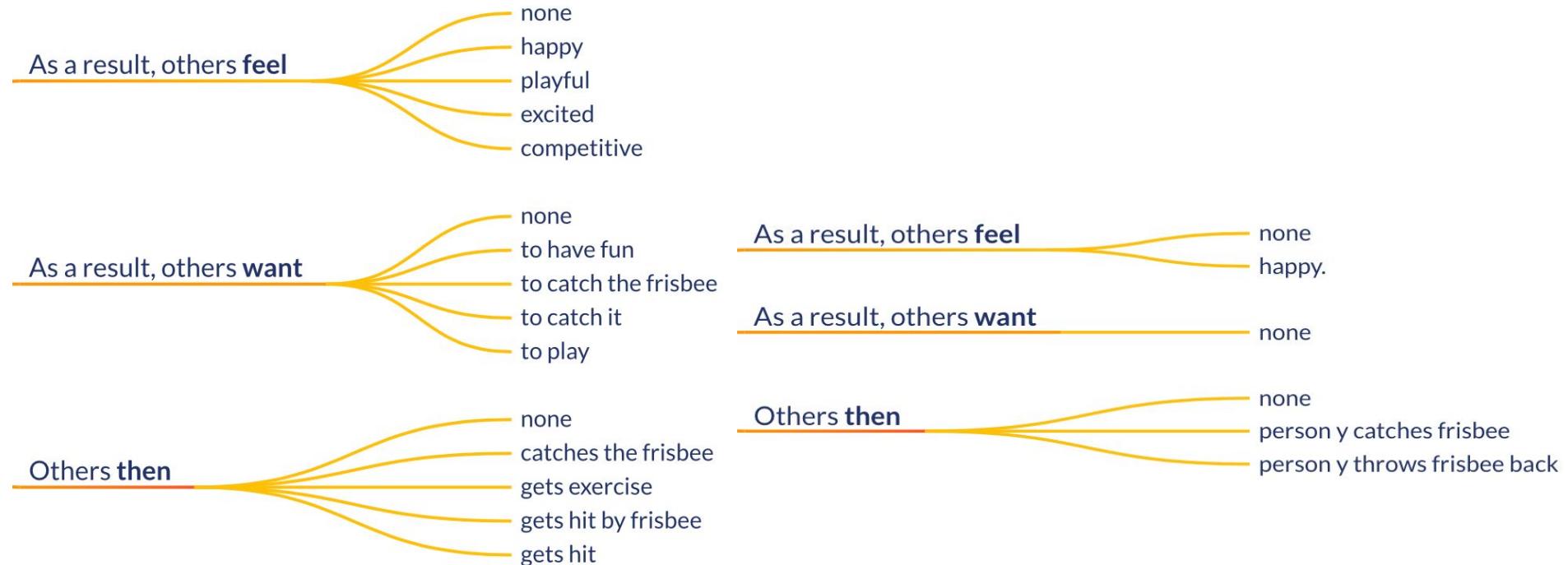


COMET



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As a result, others **feel**

COMET

- none
- happy
- playful
- excited
- competitive

As a result, others **want**

- none
- to have fun
- to catch the frisbee
- to catch it
- to play

Others **then**

- none
- catches the frisbee
- gets exercise
- gets hit by frisbee
- gets hit

ATOMIC

As a result, others **feel**

- none
- happy.

As a result, others **want**

- none

Others **then**

- none
- person y catches frisbee
- person y throws frisbee back



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Catch and Throw

Wikidata:

<https://sqid.toolforge.org/#/view?id=Q17144564> (throw)

<https://sqid.toolforge.org/#/view?id=Q91553195> (catch)

ConceptNet:

<https://www.conceptnet.io/c/en/throw>

<https://www.conceptnet.io/c/en/catch>

VisualGenome

<https://visualgenome.org/VGViz/explore?query=catch%20frisbee>

Agenda

08:00 PST	1 hr 50 mins	Part I - Review of CSKGs
	15 min	Introduction to commonsense knowledge (slides) - Pedro
	25 min	Review of top-down commonsense knowledge graphs (slides) - Mayank
	70 min	Review of bottom-up commonsense knowledge graphs (slides+demo) - Mayank, Filip, Pedro
	10 min	Break
10:00 PST	45 min	Part II - Integration and analysis
	35 min	Consolidating commonsense graphs (slides) - Filip
	10 min	Consolidating commonsense graphs (demo) - Pedro
	10 min	Break
10:55 PST	1 hr 05 mins	Part III - Downstream use of CSKGs
	50 min	Answering questions with CSKGs (slides+demo) - Filip
	15 min	Wrap-up (slides) - Mayank