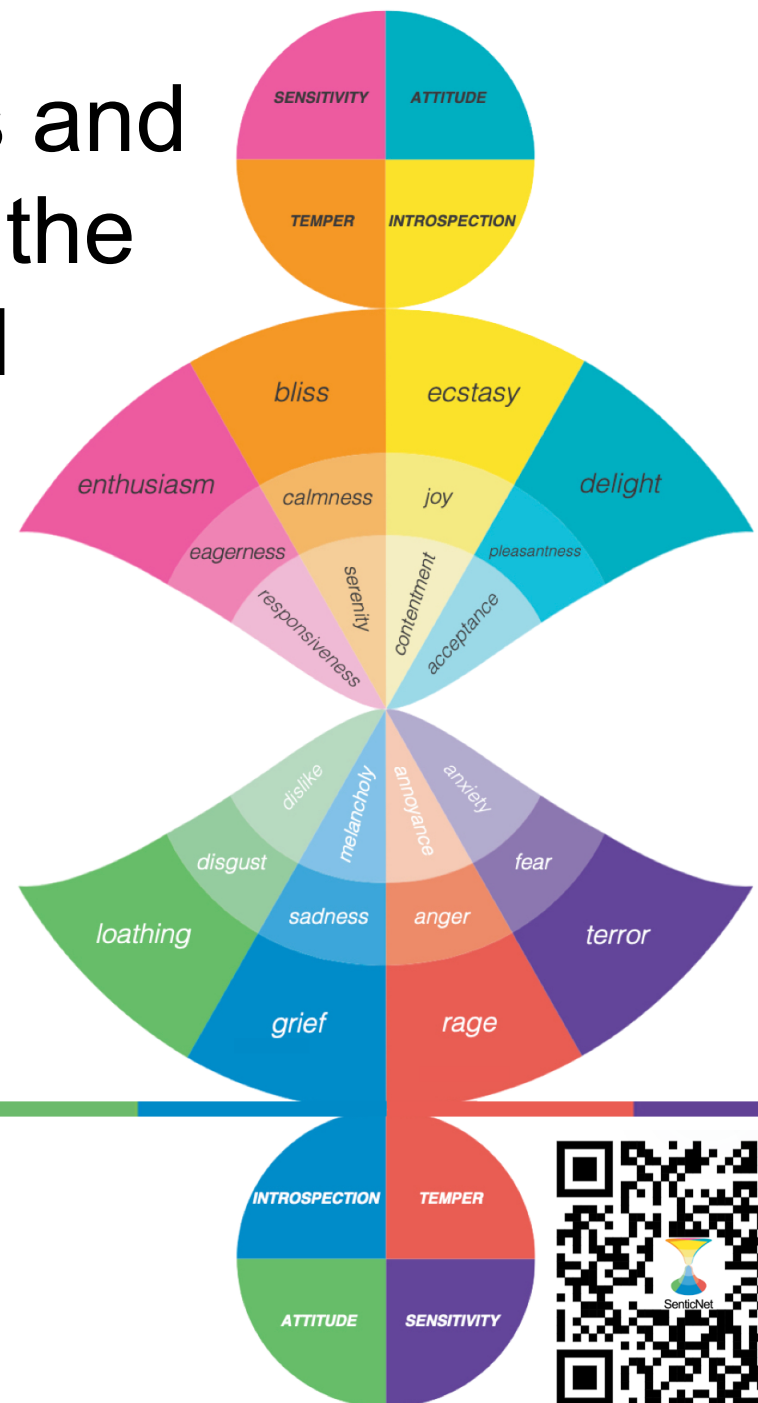


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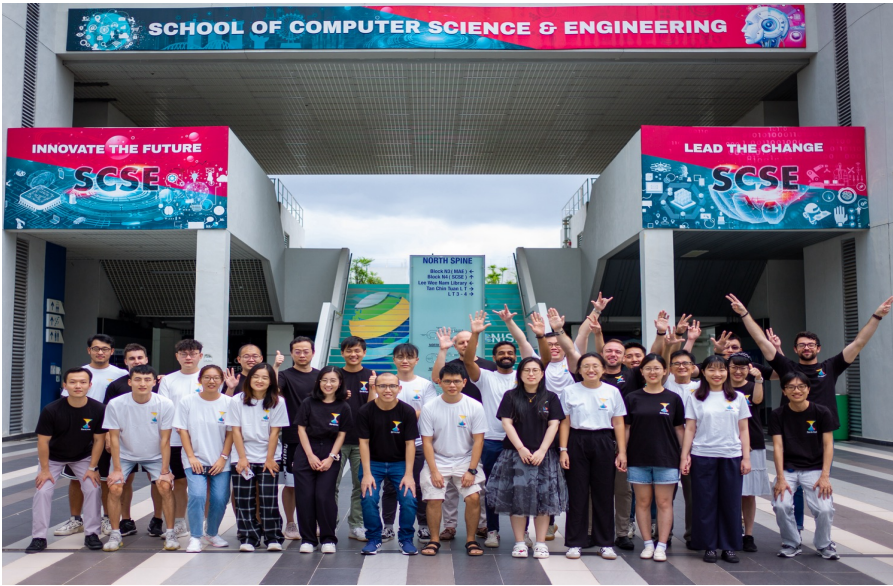
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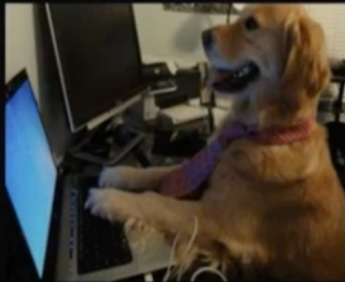
What society thinks I do



What my friends think I do



What other computer scientists think I do



What mathematicians think I do



What I think I do

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What I actually do

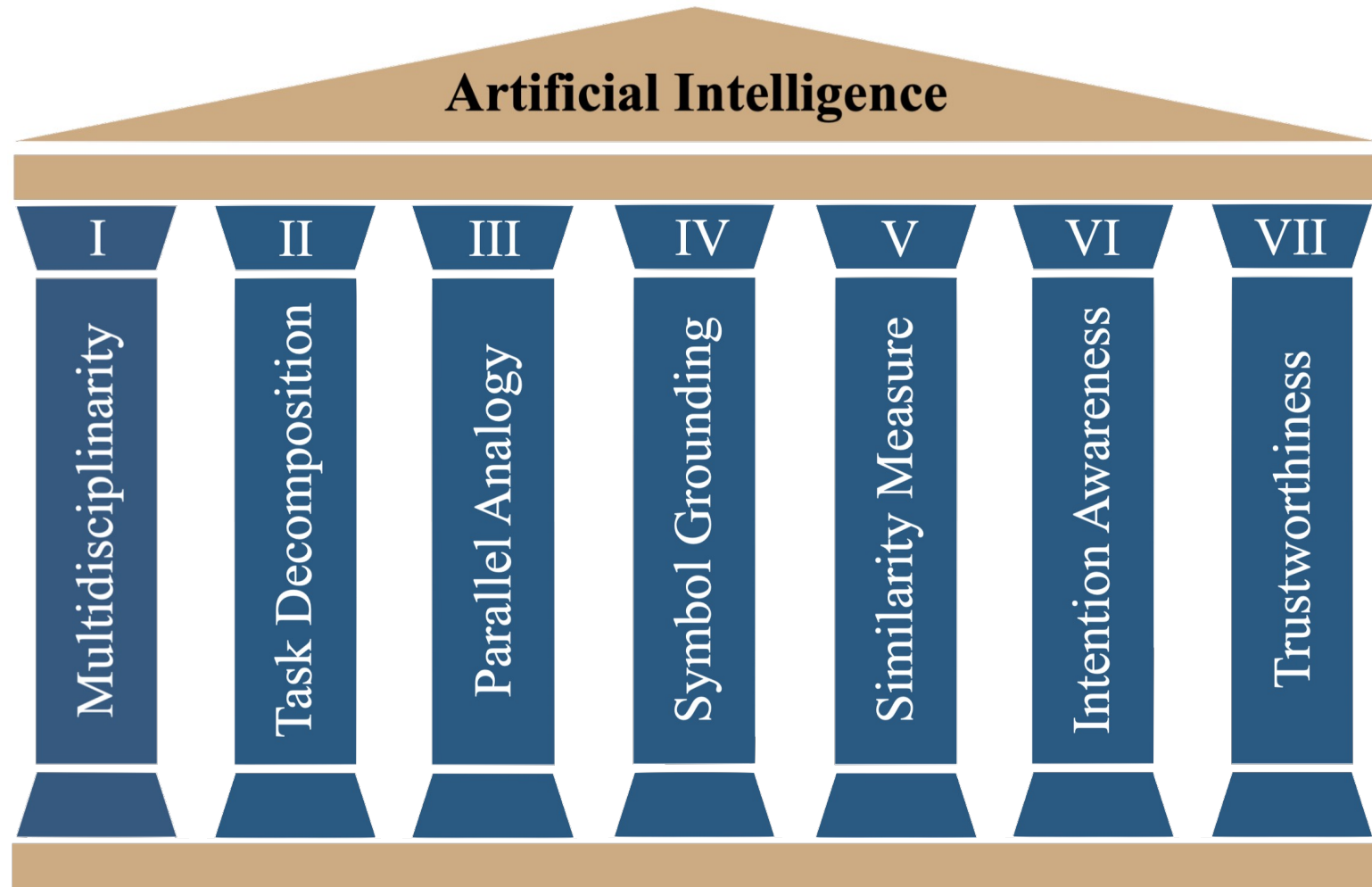


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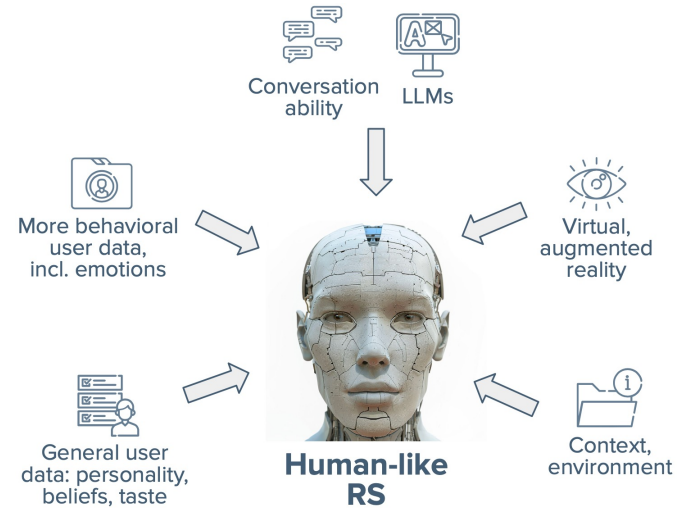
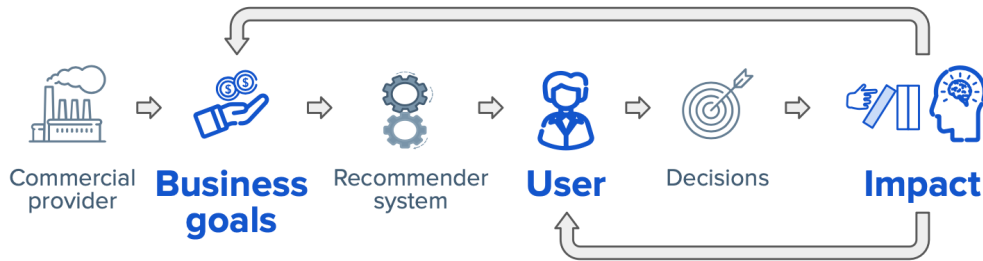
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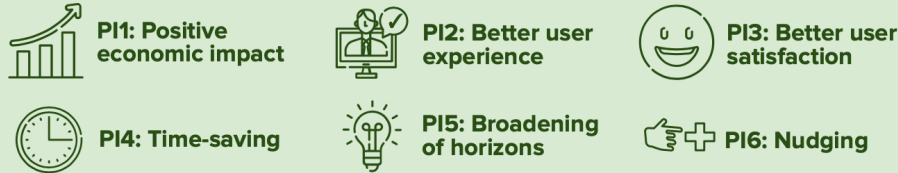
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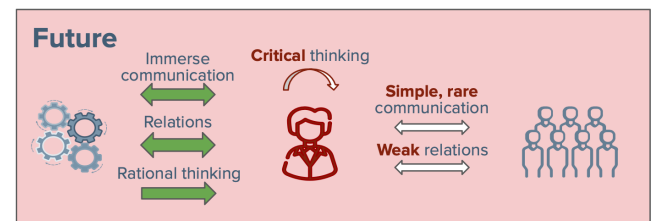
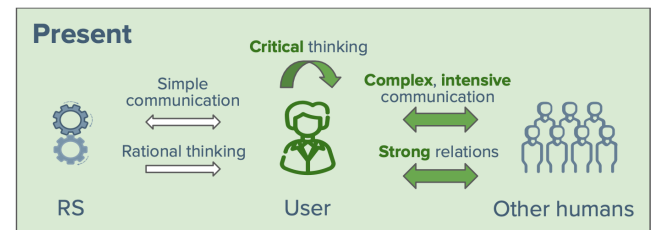
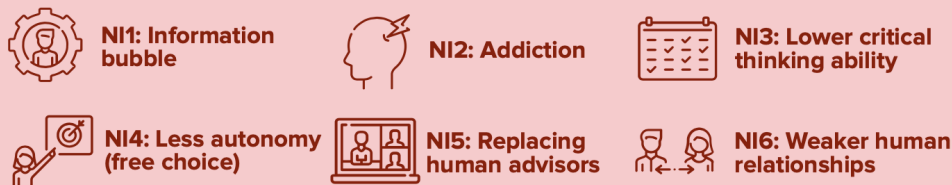
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## Positive impact on economy and users



## Long-term negative impact on users



# Seven Umbrellas



Explainable

Sentiment Analysis



Personalized

Sentiment Analysis



Multimodal

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Multilingual

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AI for Business Intelligence



AI for Social Media Monitoring



AI for Education



AI for Social Good



AI for Healthcare



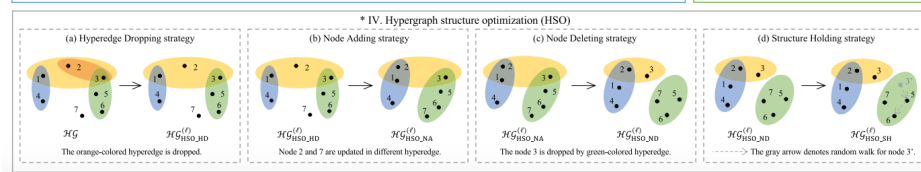
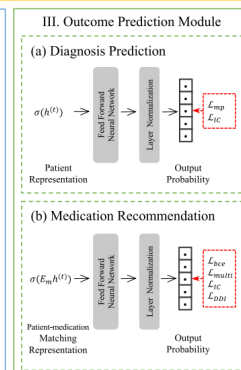
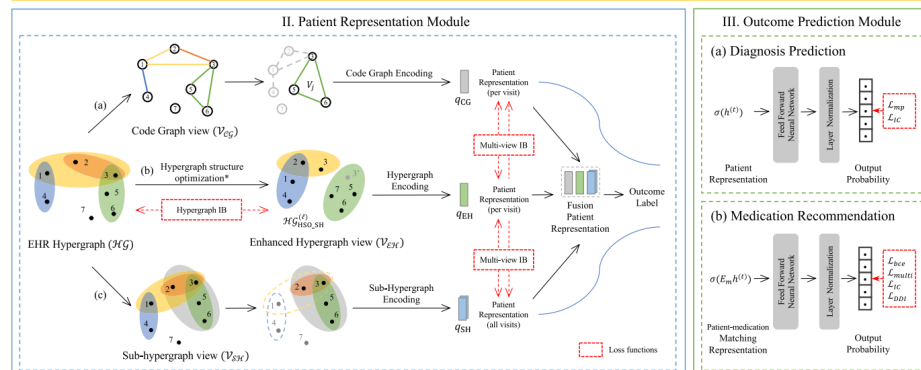
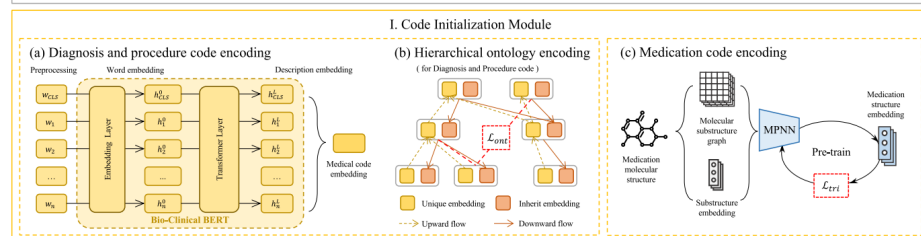
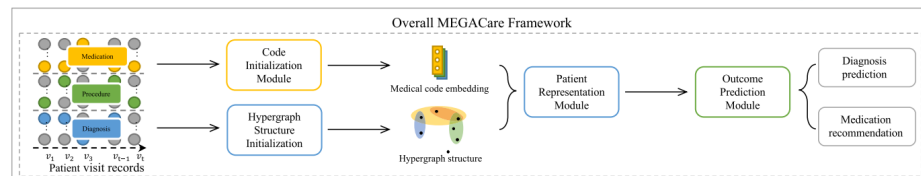
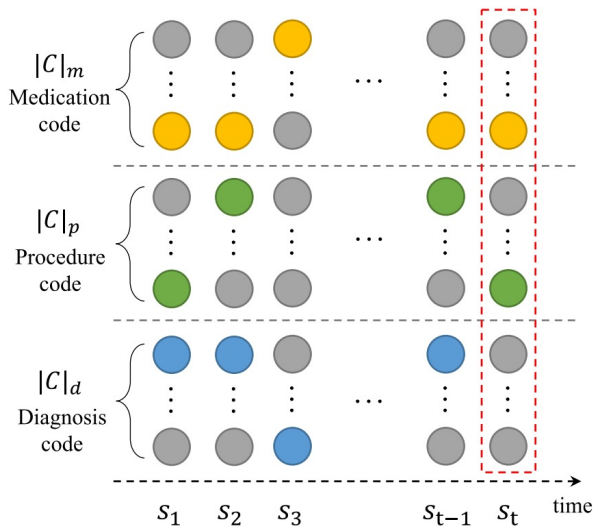
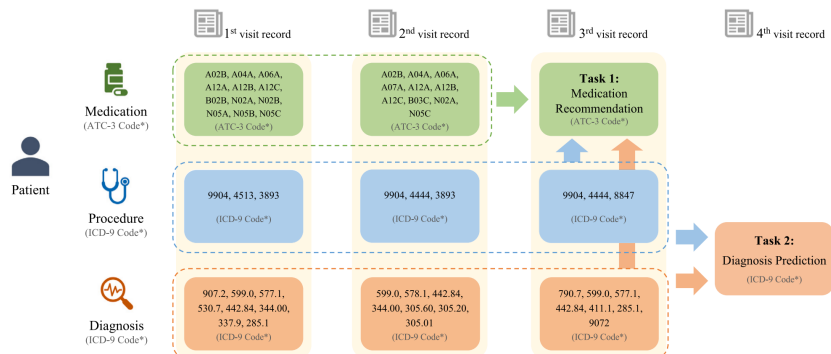
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# AI for Healthcare



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# Mental Healthcare



**MENTAL HEALTH IN SINGAPORE**

**Concern about stigma**

- 1% Not at all concerned
- 5% Somewhat not concerned
- 11% Extremely concerned
- 28% Neither
- 56% Somewhat concerned

**MENTAL HEALTH IN THE COMMUNITY**

**Public Mental Health Services**

- 32% Better but falls short
- 54% Improving (improving but better than in the past)
- 5% Adequate
- 9% Barely existent

**STUDY ON YOUTH MENTAL HEALTH**

- Insomnia
- Academic stress
- Self-harm
- Smartphone addiction
- Alcohol use
- Smoking

**MENTAL HEALTH IN THE COMMUNITY**

**Lack of access to mental health**

**MENTAL ILLNESS = ANOMALY**

**The Situation in Singapore**

- Suicide is the leading cause of death for those **aged 10-29**
- Globally, suicide is the **fourth leading cause of death** for youths **aged 15 to 19** (World Health Organisation)
- **378** lives were lost to suicide in 2021
- Males accounted for **68.25%** of all suicides in 2021
- For every suicide, **at least 6 suicide survivors** are left behind

# Mental Healthcare



Table 1: A summary of datasets. Note we hold out a portion of original training set as the validation set if the original dataset does not contain a validation set.

| Category   | Platform | Dataset                                       | train  | validation | test   |
|------------|----------|---|--------|------------|--------|
| Assorted   | Reddit   | SWMH (Ji et al., 2022)                        | 34,823 | 8,706      | 10,883 |
| Depression | Reddit   | eRisk18 T1 (Losada and Crestani, 2016)        | 1,533  | 658        | 619    |
| Depression | Reddit   | Depression_Reddit (Pirina and Çöltekin, 2018) | 1,004  | 431        | 406    |
| Depression | Reddit   | CLPsych15 (Coppersmith et al., 2015)          | 457    | 197        | 300    |
| Stress     | Reddit   | Dreaddit (Turcan and McKeown, 2019)           | 2,270  | 568        | 715    |
| Suicide    | Reddit   | UMD (Shing et al., 2018)                      | 993    | 249        | 490    |
| Suicide    | Twitter  | T-SID (Ji et al., 2022)                       | 3,072  | 768        | 960    |
| Stress     | SMS-like | SAD (Mauriello et al., 2021)                  | 5,548  | 617        | 685    |

*S Ji, T Zhang, L Ansari, J Fu, P Tiwari, E Cambria. MentalBERT: Publicly Available Pretrained Language Models for Mental Healthcare. Proceedings of LREC, 7184-7190 (2022)*

# Mental Healthcare



| Model                                | DR           |              | CLPsych15    |              | Dreaddit     |              | T-SID        |              | SAD          |              | CAMS         |              |
|--------------------------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
|                                      | Rec.         | F1           | Rec.         | F1           | Rec.         | F1           | Rec.         | F1           | Rec.         | F1           | Rec.         | F1           |
| BERT                                 | 91.13        | 90.90        | 64.67        | 62.75        | 78.46        | 78.26        | 88.44        | 88.51        | 62.77        | 62.72        | 40.26        | 34.92        |
| RoBERTa                              | 95.07        | 95.11        | 67.67        | 66.07        | 80.56        | 80.56        | 88.75        | 88.76        | 66.86        | 67.53        | 41.18        | 36.54        |
| XLNet                                | 90.89        | 90.44        | 69.83        | 69.12        | 78.88        | 78.84        | 86.04        | 86.18        | 67.30        | 67.30        | 50.64        | 49.16        |
| Longformer                           | 95.81        | 95.74        | 75.67        | 75.47        | 81.54        | 81.45        | 89.58        | 89.63        | <b>69.20</b> | <b>69.01</b> | 49.52        | 49.42        |
| MentalBERT                           | 94.58        | 94.62        | 64.67        | 62.63        | 80.28        | 80.04        | 88.65        | 88.61        | 67.45        | 67.34        | 45.69        | 39.73        |
| MentalRoBERTa                        | 94.33        | 94.23        | 70.33        | 69.71        | <b>81.82</b> | <b>81.76</b> | 88.96        | 89.01        | 68.61        | 68.44        | 50.48        | 47.62        |
| ChatGPT <sub>ZS</sub>                | 82.76        | 82.41        | 60.33        | 56.31        | 72.72        | 71.79        | 39.79        | 33.30        | 55.91        | 54.05        | 32.43        | 33.85        |
| ChatGPT <sub>V</sub>                 | 79.51        | 78.01        | 59.20        | 56.34        | 74.23        | 73.99        | 40.04        | 33.38        | 52.49        | 50.29        | 28.48        | 29.00        |
| ChatGPT <sub>N<sub>sen</sub></sub>   | 80.00        | 78.86        | 58.19        | 55.50        | 70.87        | 70.21        | 39.00        | 32.02        | 52.92        | 51.38        | 26.88        | 27.22        |
| ChatGPT <sub>N<sub>emo</sub></sub>   | 79.51        | 78.41        | 58.19        | 53.87        | 73.25        | 73.08        | 39.00        | 32.25        | 54.82        | 52.57        | 35.20        | 35.11        |
| ChatGPT <sub>CoT</sub>               | 82.72        | 82.90        | 56.19        | 50.47        | 70.97        | 70.87        | 37.66        | 32.89        | 55.18        | 52.92        | 39.19        | 38.76        |
| ChatGPT <sub>CoT<sub>emo</sub></sub> | 83.17        | 83.10        | 61.41        | 58.24        | 75.07        | 74.83        | 34.76        | 27.71        | 58.31        | 56.68        | 43.11        | 42.29        |
| MentalXLNet                          | 95.32        | 95.24        | 71.67        | 71.49        | 80.42        | 80.41        | 89.17        | 89.12        | <b>69.20</b> | 68.76        | <b>50.80</b> | <b>50.08</b> |
| MentalLongformer                     | <b>96.55</b> | <b>96.53</b> | <b>77.00</b> | <b>76.32</b> | 81.12        | 81.05        | <b>89.90</b> | <b>89.89</b> | 68.76        | 68.44        | 49.20        | 48.74        |

Table 3: Results of mental health classification. The bold text represents the best performance. Note that: for Longformer and MentalLongformer, the best results are reported with longer texts as inputs.

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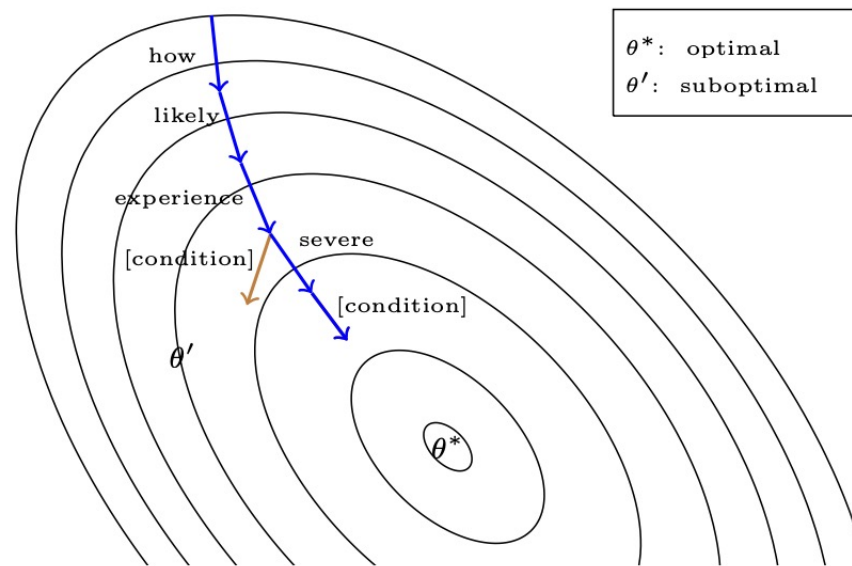
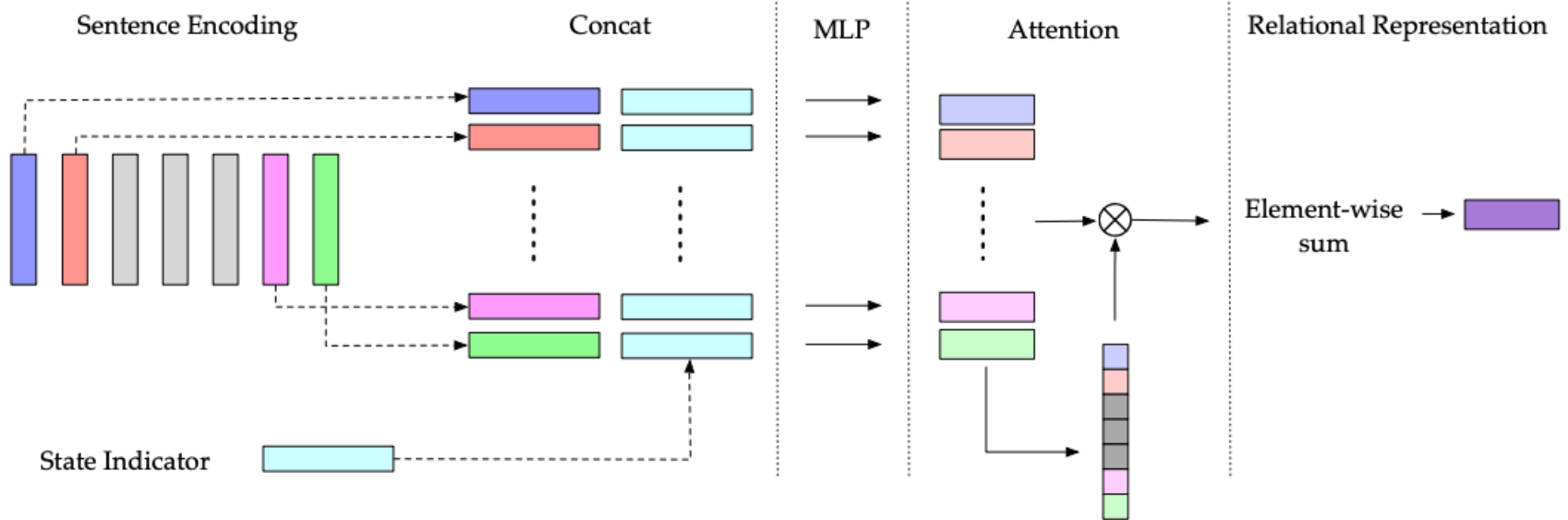


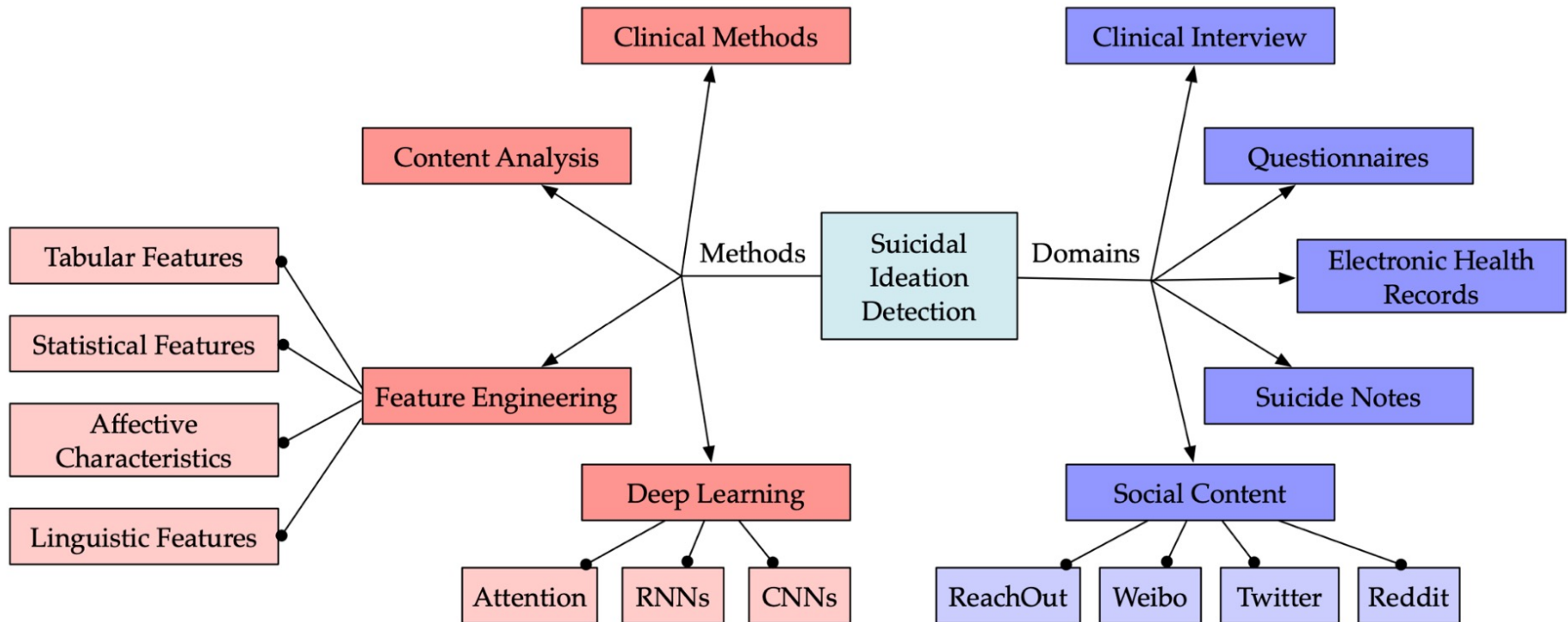
Figure 2: An illustration of prompting from the view of meta update. The change in the prompt might lead to suboptimal, possibly explaining the unpredictable LLMs' generation-as-prediction.

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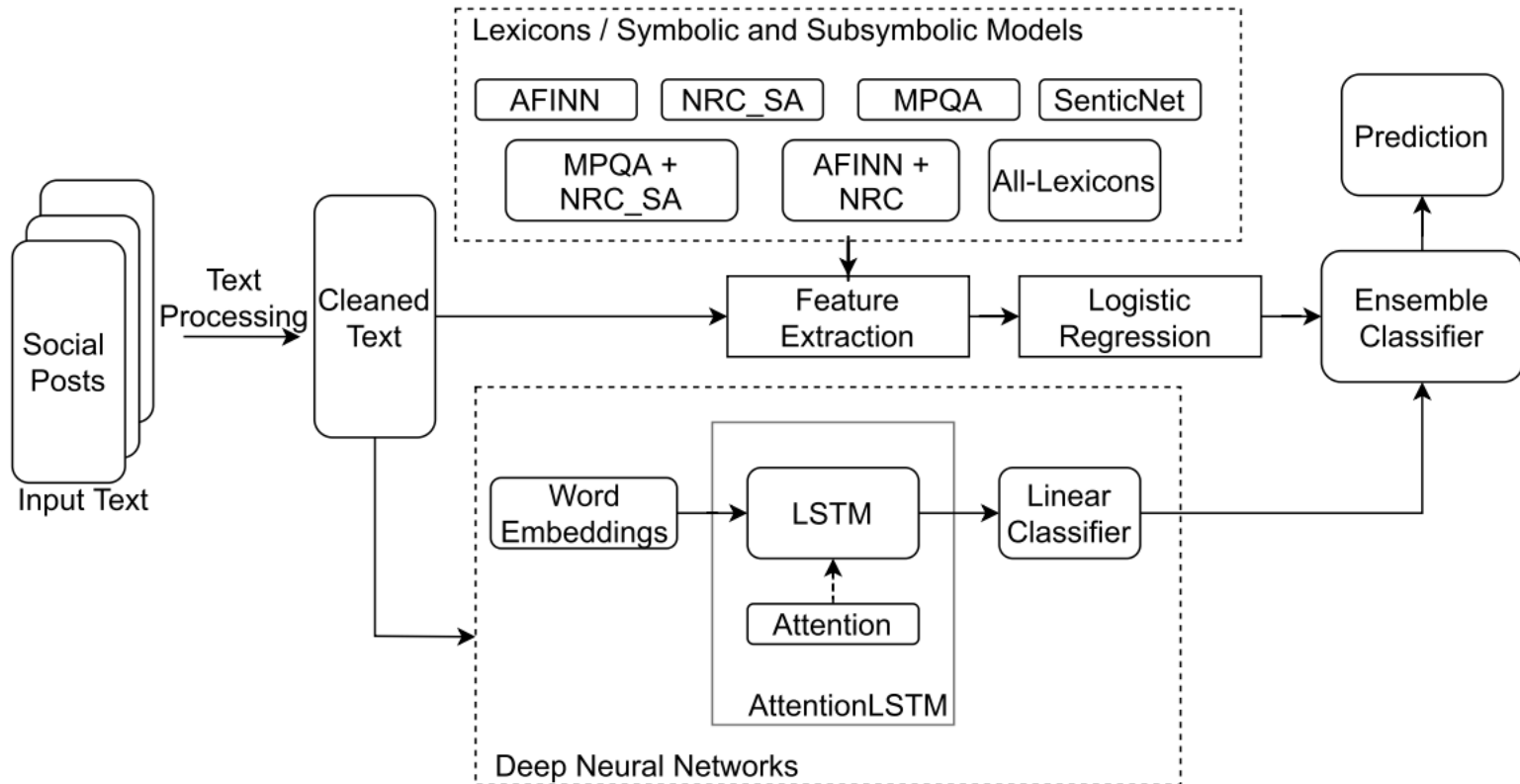
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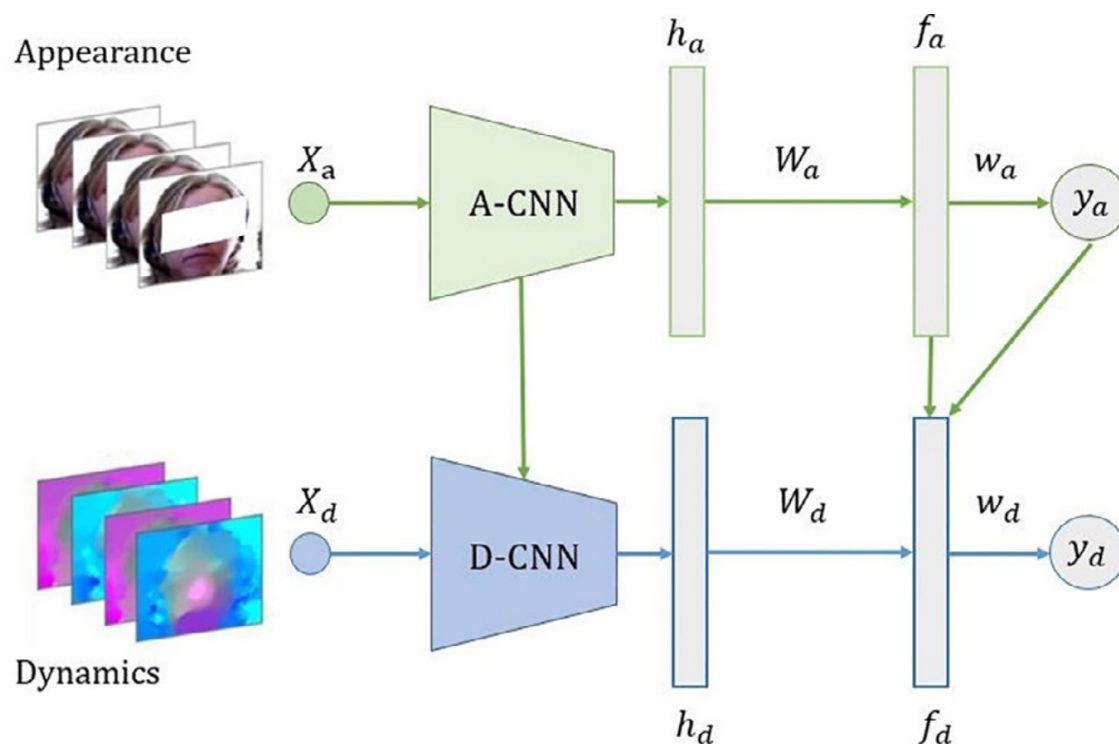
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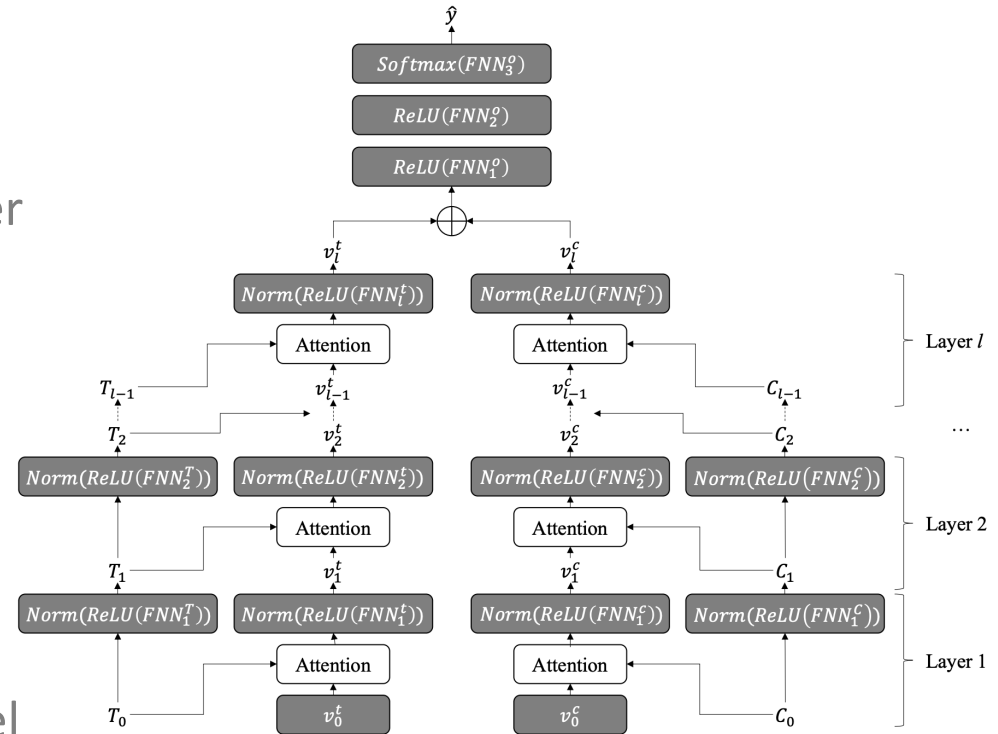


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# Depression detection



We developed a novel explainable model for depression detection on Twitter. It comprises a novel encoder combining hierarchical attention mechanisms and feed-forward neural networks. To support psycholinguistic studies, our model leverages metaphorical concept mappings as input in order to also detect implicit manifestations of depression. We packaged this model both as an API: <https://sentic.net/api/#depression> and a github repository: <https://github.com/senticnet/depression-detection>



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# Data Analysis



i love bein a teacher here but hhhate this city! got a heavy weight on my chest... can't find peace anywhere! so why bother trying? 😞



NEGATIVE



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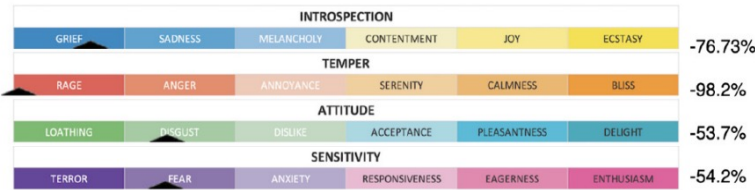
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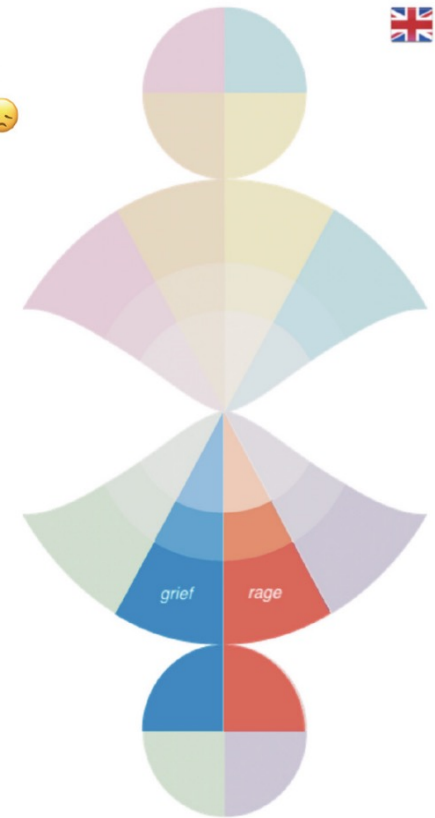
well-being: -84%



EMOTIONS: rage (97.58%) & grief (32.5%)

ASPECT TERMS: city (hate), teacher (love)

ASPECT CATEGORIES: PROFESSION, LOCATION

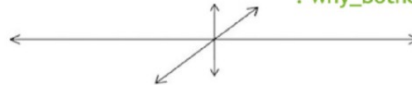


"COMMANDER"  
ENTJ

Bold, imaginative and strong-willed leaders, always finding a way - or making one

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. GRIEF . RAGE  
. why\_bother



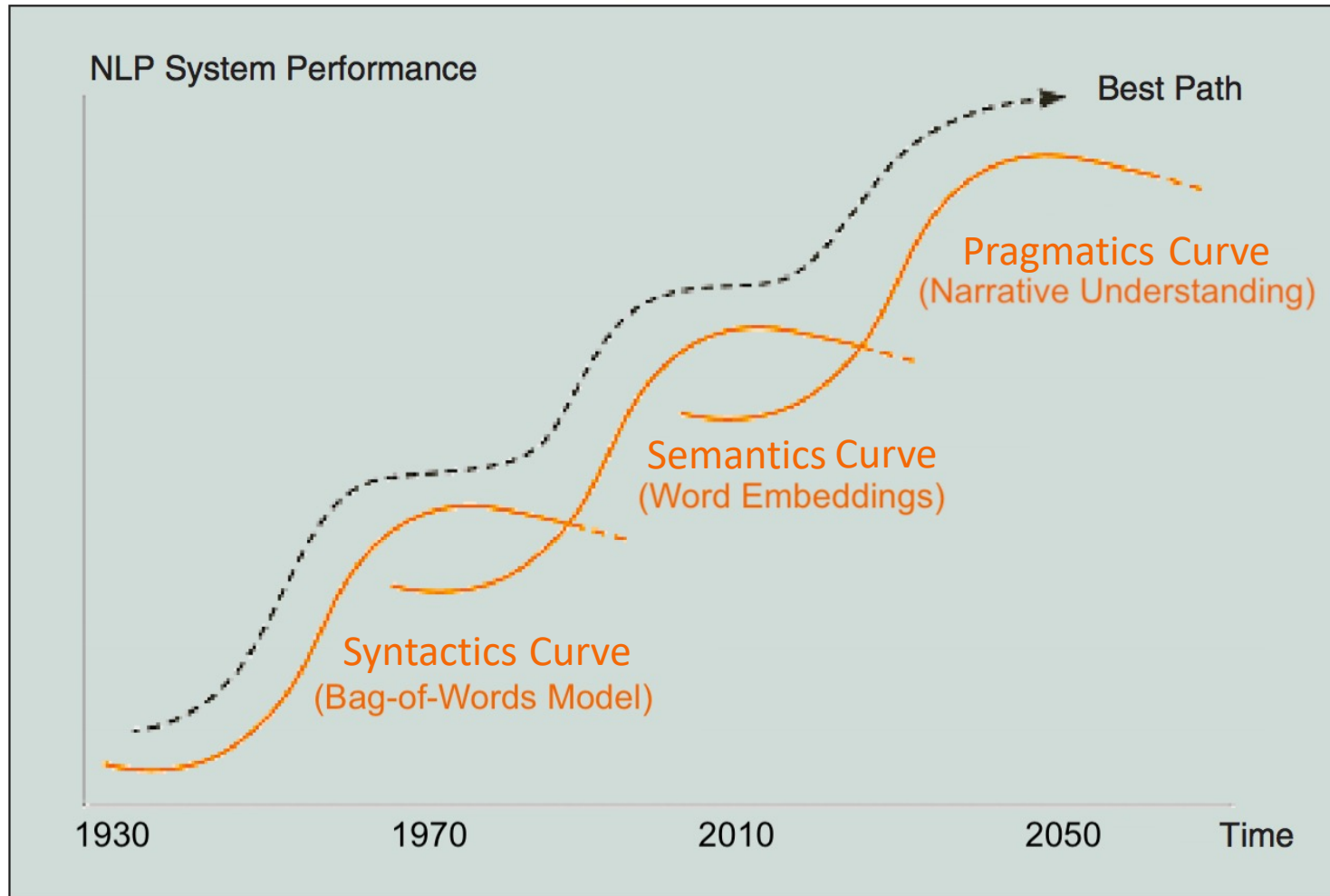
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# Outcomes



- **Relationship issues:** Problems within intimate relationships or family conflicts can impact mental health and contribute to depressive symptoms.
- **Financial problems:** Financial stress, such as debt, unemployment, or financial instability, can lead to feelings of hopelessness.
- **Social isolation:** Lack of social support and feelings of loneliness can cause depression, as social connections are essential for emotional well-being.
- **Work-life balance:** Difficulty balancing work responsibilities with personal life and self-care can lead to chronic stress and impact mental well-being.
- **Academic pressure:** Students experience stress and depression due to academic demands, performance pressure, or difficulty coping with coursework.
- **Discrimination:** Experiencing discrimination based on race, ethnicity, gender identity, sexual orientation, or other factors can lead to chronic stress.
- **Chronic pain:** Living with chronic health conditions or experiencing persistent pain can be emotionally draining and exacerbate feelings of depression.
- **Trauma:** Past trauma, including physical, emotional, or sexual abuse, can have long-lasting effects on mental health and increase the risk of depression.
- **Media exposure:** Overexposure to negative news, social media comparison, or unrealistic portrayals of success can contribute to feelings of inadequacy.
- **Environmental factors:** Environmental stressors such as pollution, noise, or overcrowding can contribute to chronic stress and impact mental health.

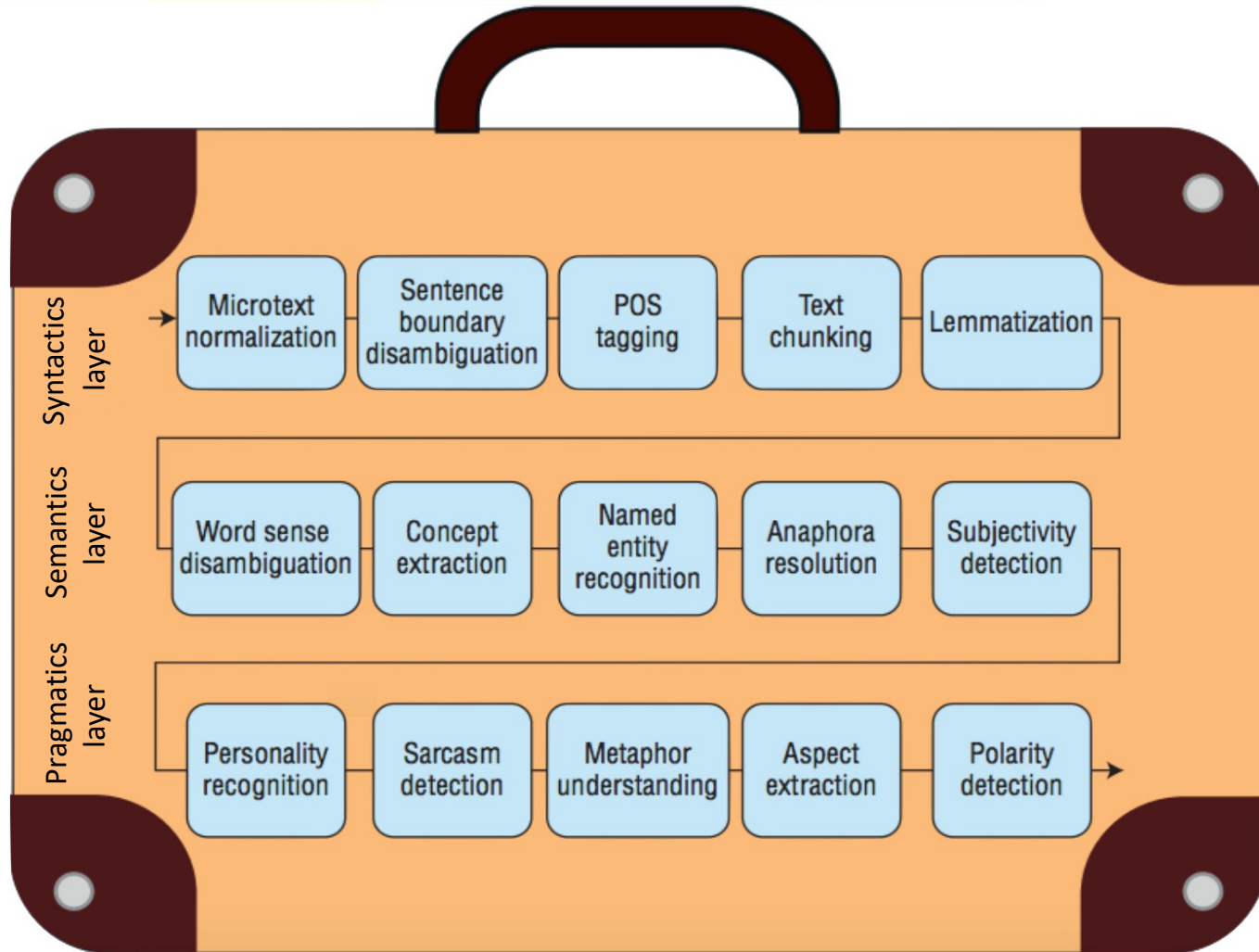
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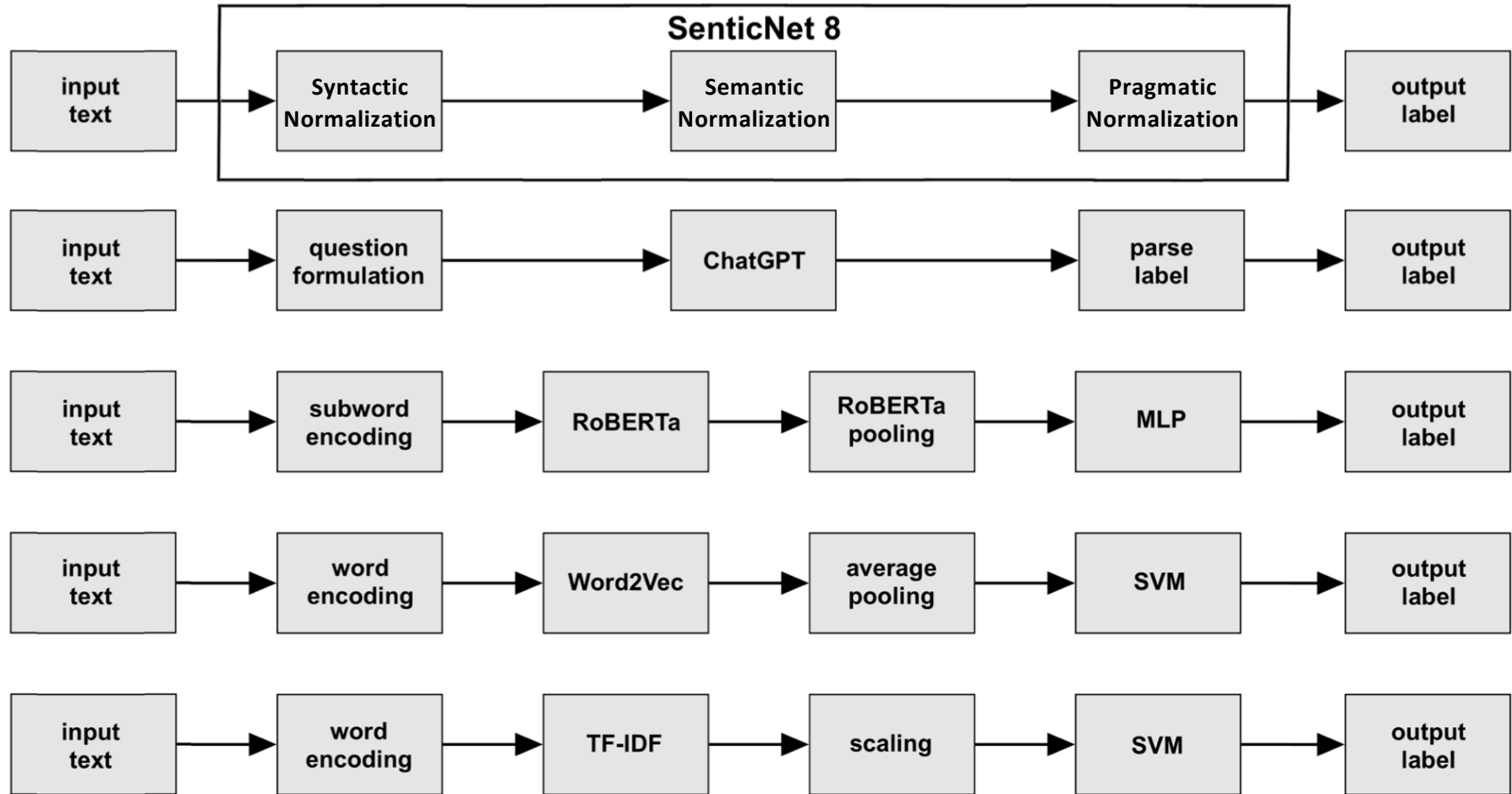
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# Suitcase Model



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# SenticNet



## Syntactic Normalization

*buying an OPPO Reno5*  
*bought OPPO Reno Pro*  
*buys some OPPO Reno*

*purchasing an iPhone 15*  
*purchases some iPhones*  
*purchased iPhone mini*

*pays for Samsung Galaxy*  
*paid 4 Samsung Galaxy S24*  
*paying for Samsung Galaxy*

## Semantic Normalization

*BUY OPPO RENO*

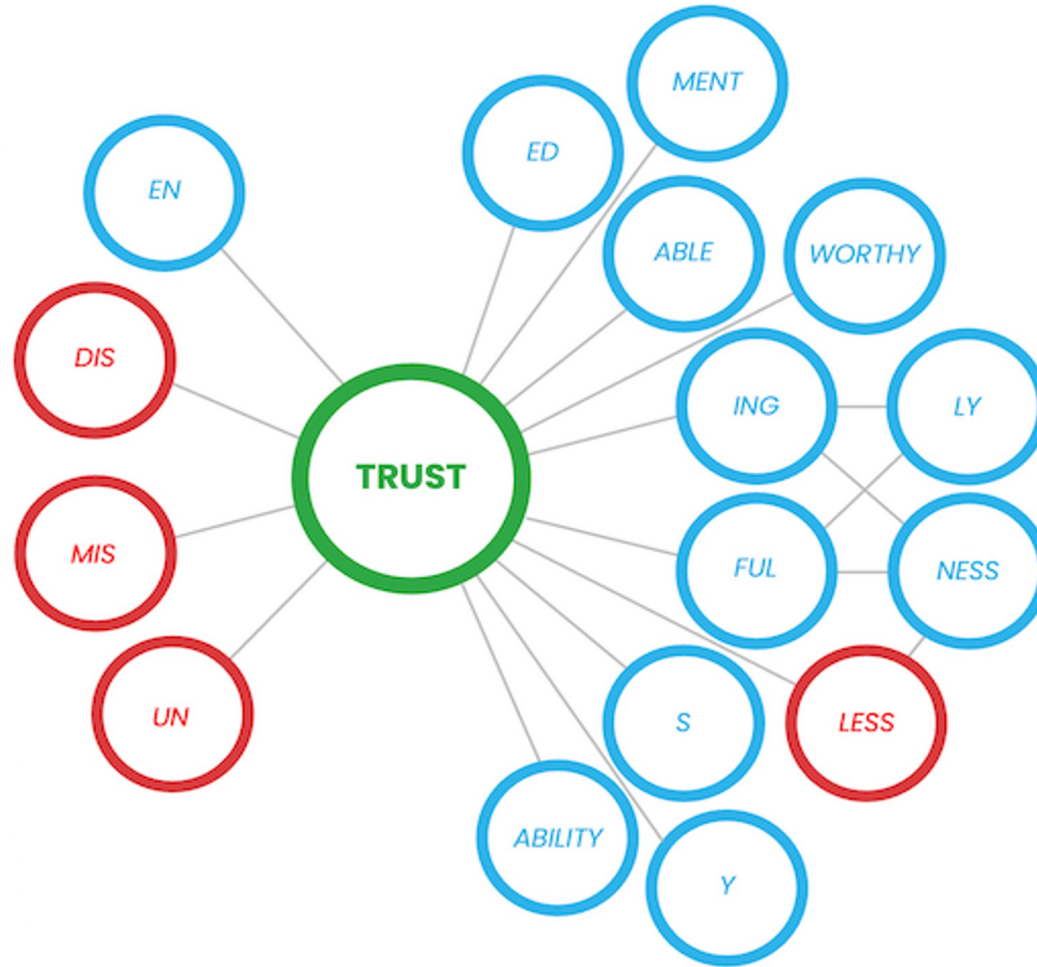
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*PAY FOR GALAXY*

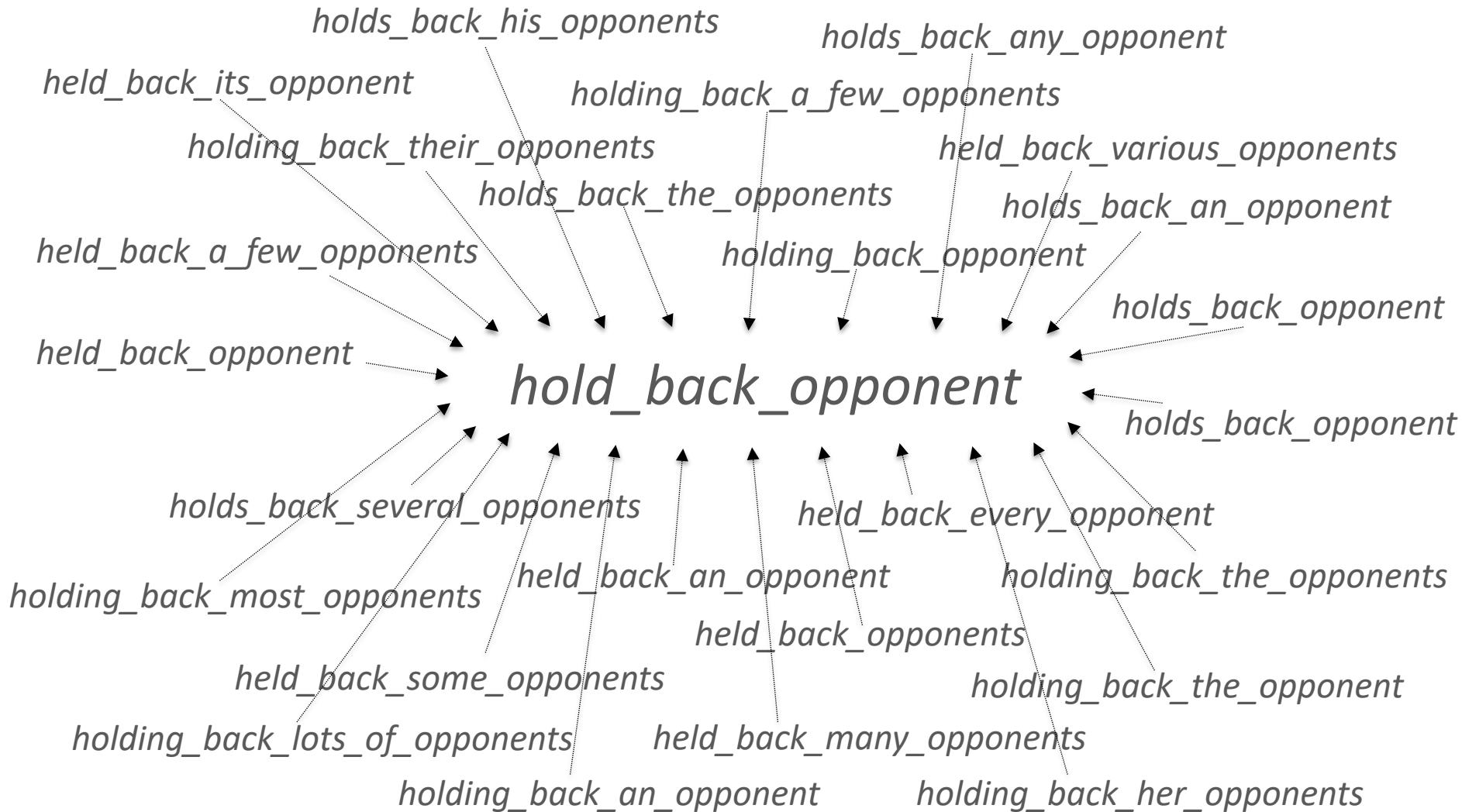
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*BUY(PHONE)*

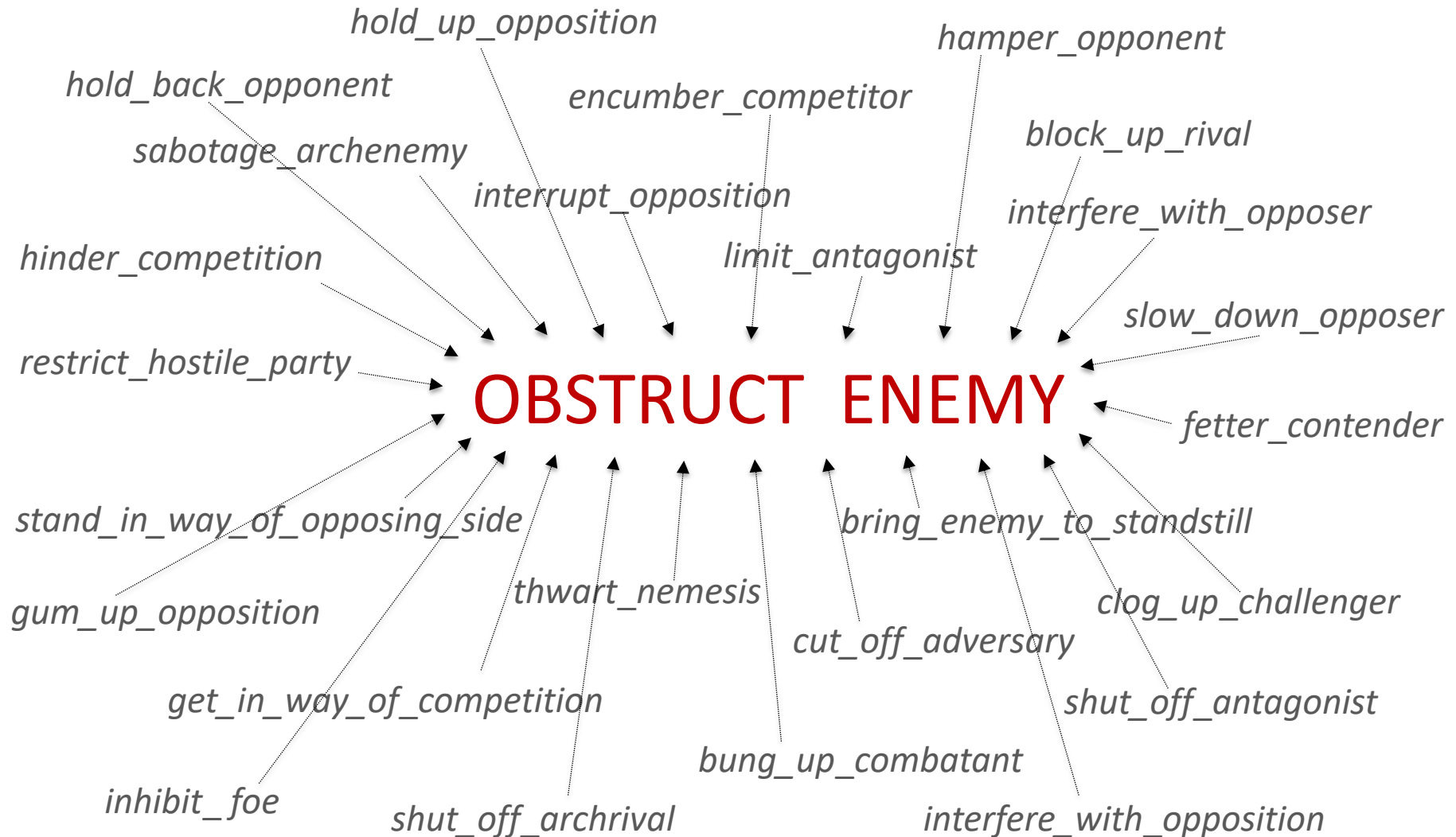
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## Pragmatic Normalization

*BUY(PHONE)*



# Pragmatic Normalization



*BUY*()

*BARTER*(, )

*GIVE*()  $\wedge$  *GET*()

$\neg$ *HAVE*()  $\rightarrow$  *HAVE*()

MELANCHOLY

ANNOYANCE

CONTENTMENT

SERENITY



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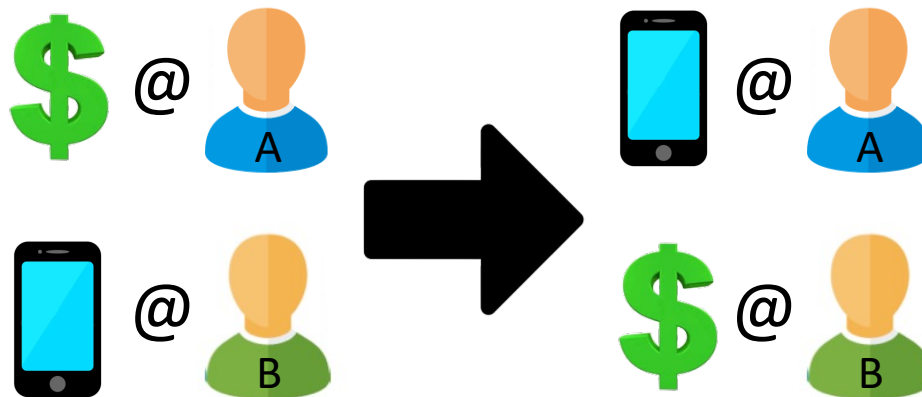


Adam buys a phone from Bob

Adam purchases a phone from Bob

Bob sells a phone to Adam

Bob trades his phone to Adam in exchange for money



Bob gives Adam a phone for some money

Bob enables Adam to have a phone for money

Adam acquires a phone from Bob

Bob does not give Adam the phone for free

Bob provides Adam with a phone in exchange for a sale

# Pragmatic Normalization

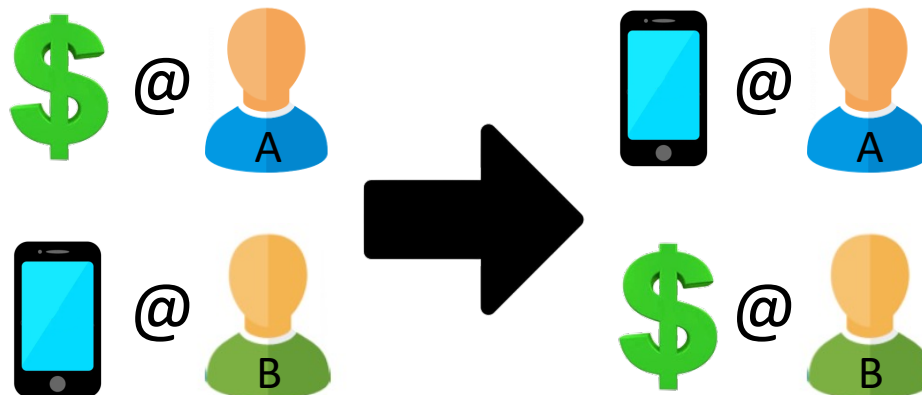


Adam compra un telefono da Bob

Адам купува телефон од Боб

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アダムはボブから  
電話を買います

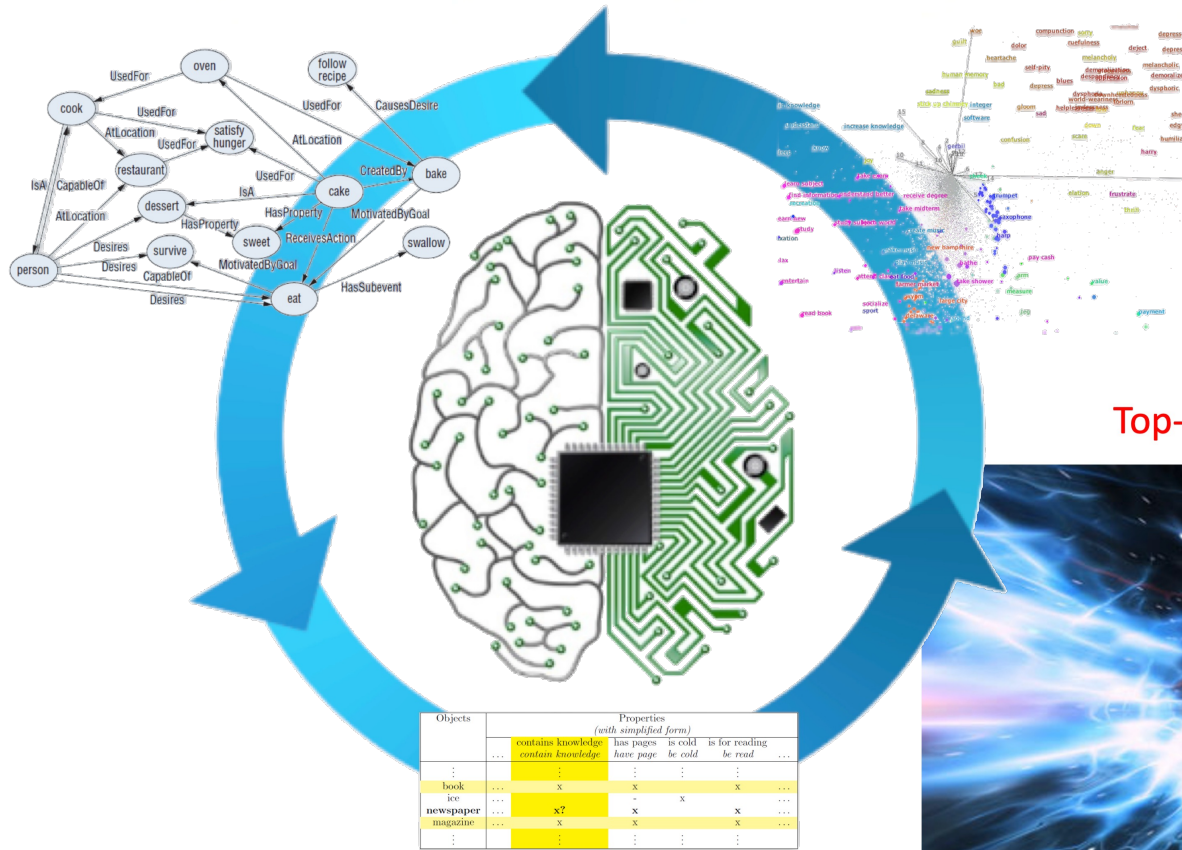
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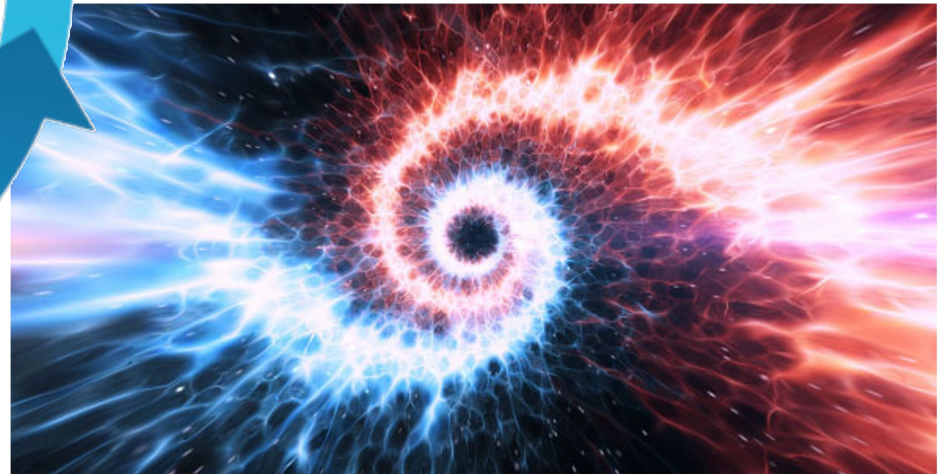
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# Neurosymbolic AI



Top-down (theory-driven) approach



Bottom-up (data-driven) approach

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# Explicable Artificial Intelligence for Affective Computing



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## Background:

As Artificial Intelligence (AI) advances, the need for transparency and interpretability in its decision-making processes becomes more pronounced, especially within the domain of affective computing. The capacity of AI systems to comprehend and react to human emotions introduces ethical considerations, necessitating a delicate equilibrium between innovation and accountability. Various stakeholders, spanning end-users, developers, and policymakers, express a collective need for a more profound comprehension of these systems, particularly in emotionally charged situations.

The motivation of this Special Issue stems from the inherent challenges in creating AI models that not only accurately recognize and respond to human emotions but also provide clear, interpretable insights into their decision-making processes. The Special Issue also aims at enriching the connotation of Explicable AI with diverse and comprehensive dimensions. Expanding the meaning of explicability is not just about deciphering the “black box” nature of AI models; it involves a broader understanding that encapsulates various facets crucial for fostering user trust, ethical considerations, and interdisciplinary collaboration.

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