# Decoding the Brain to Help Build Machines

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### Outline

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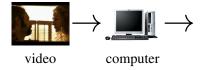
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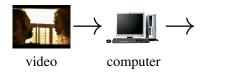




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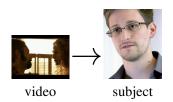


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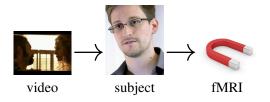




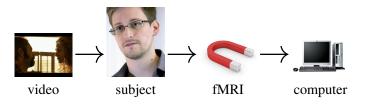
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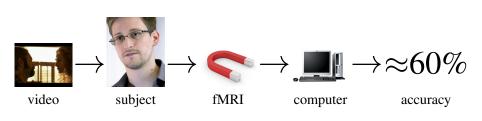












## Stimuli



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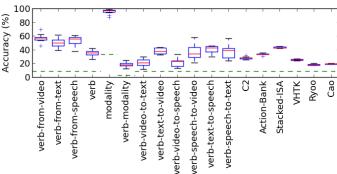
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### Classification Accuracies





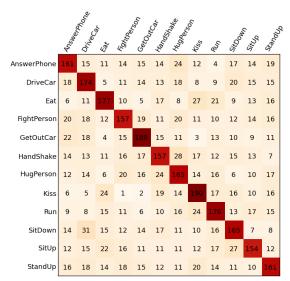
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FightPerson	1	6	2	237	8	5	14	11	9	8	8	11
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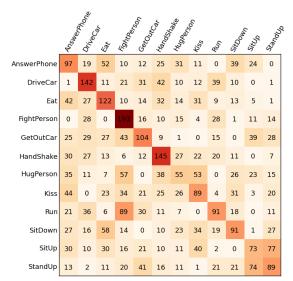
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Kiss	35	30	11	16	21	38	23	60	10	50	16	10
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#### Action Bank



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FightPerson	10	19	3	186	10	18	2	11	10	0	3	48
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HandShake	10	30	10	16	0	26	4	191	0	0	0	33
HugPerson	3	0	40	128	3	20	0	65	7	0	13	41
Kiss	2	13	46	44	19	30	2	112	1	4	4	43
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SitDown	0	0	43	87	24	14	0	99	16	9	3	25
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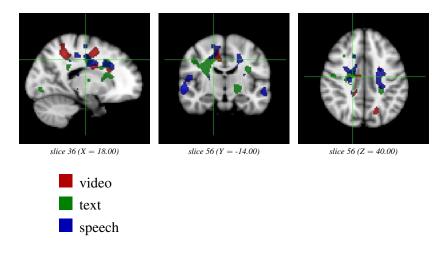
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## Hot Off The Press

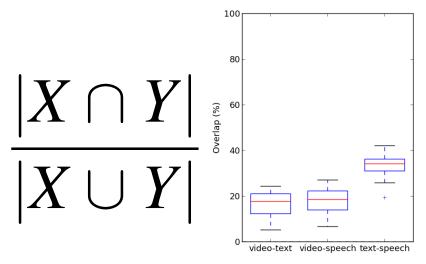
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fMRI from-speech	52.7%	56.0%
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fMRI video-to-text	21.1%	26.6%
fMRI text-to-video	38.0%	44.6%
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fMRI speech-to-video	36.0%	49.4%
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# Brain Regions for Video, Text, and Speech



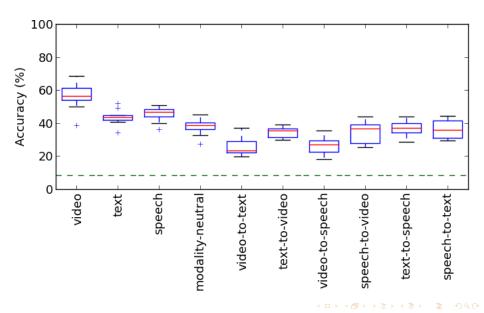
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# Quantifying Overlap Between Video, Text, and Speech

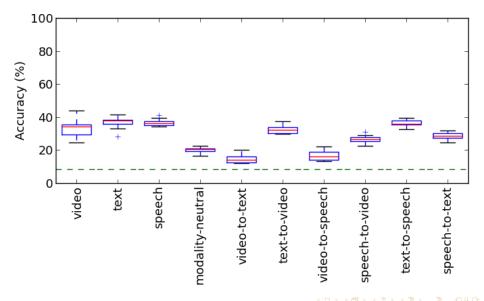


In 4000 voxels ( $\approx$ 10% of brain volume) with highest magnitude of SVM weight.

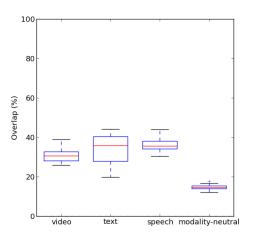
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# **Cross-Subject Classification**



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# What underlies a symbolic representation?

#### factored

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$$\begin{cases} Dan \\ Haonan \\ Jeff \\ Scott \end{cases} \times \begin{cases} carried \\ folded \\ left \end{cases} \times \begin{cases} the \ chair \\ the \ paper \\ the \ shirt \end{cases} \times \begin{cases} [on \ the] left[ward] \\ [on \ the] right[ward] \end{cases}$$

Dan
Haonan
Jeff
Scott

actor

verb

the chair the paper the shirt

object

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{c} left[ward] \\ right[ward] \end{array} \right\}$$

#### direction

$$\begin{cases}
[on the] left \\
[on the] right
\end{cases}$$

### location

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} Dan \\ Haonan \\ Jeff \\ Scott \end{array} \right\} \times \left\{ \begin{array}{l} carried \\ folded \\ left \end{array} \right\}$$

actor-verb

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actor-object

$$\times \left\{ \begin{array}{c} left[ward] \\ right[ward] \end{array} \right\}$$

#### actor-direction

#### actor-location

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verb-object

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{c} \textit{carried} \\ \textit{left} \end{array} \right\} \times \left\{ \begin{array}{c} \textit{left[ward]} \\ \textit{right[ward]} \end{array} \right\}$$

verb-direction

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object-direction

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{the chair} \\ \text{the paper} \\ \text{the shirt} \end{array} \right\} \times \left\{ \begin{array}{l} [\text{on the}] \text{left} \\ [\text{on the}] \text{right} \end{array} \right\}$$

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actor-object-direction

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verb-object-direction

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#### sentence

### Stimuli

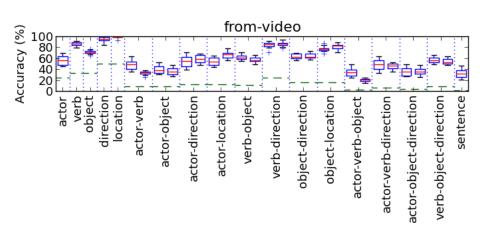


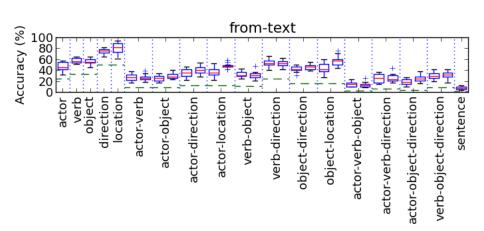
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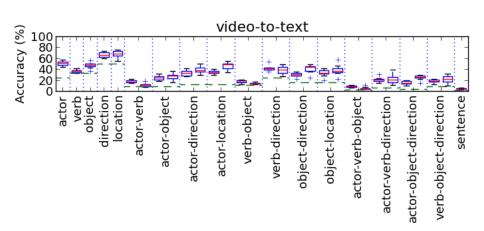


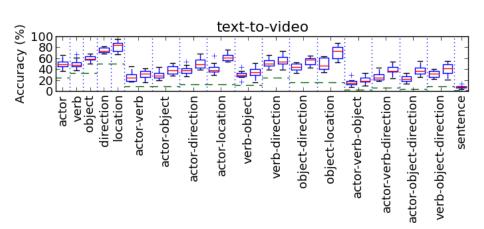
independent Train on individual constituents, test on constituent pairs and triples.

joint Train and test on constituent pairs and triples.





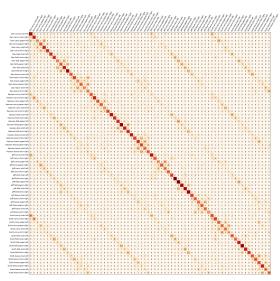




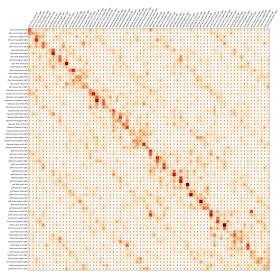
	from-video	from-text	video-to-text	text-to-video	chance
actor	56.1%	46.1%	50.5%	50.2%	25.0%
verb	85.8%	57.5%	36.7%	49.9%	33.3%
object	70.6%	55.9%	47.1%	59.4%	33.3%
direction	94.2%	74.0%	66.4%	74.6%	50.0%
location	98.4%	80.3%	67.2%	81.1%	50.0%
actor&verb	48.1%	27.2%	18.1%	25.9%	8.3%
actor-verb	33.3%	26.5%	11.6%	30.6%	8.3%
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actor-direction	58.8%	40.8%	38.8%	50.5%	12.5%
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verb&object	61.3%	32.5%	17.3%	30.3%	11.1%
verb-object	57.3%	31.2%	14.5%	35.0%	11.1%
verb&direction	83.7%	53.5%	41.8%	51.7%	25.0%
verb-direction	85.8%	51.9%	38.6%	56.1%	25.0%
object&direction	63.0%	42.2%	30.2%	44.0%	16.6%
object-direction	63.9%	45.9%	40.5%	54.8%	16.6%
object&location	76.9%	43.7%	33.2%	49.2%	16.6%
object-location	81.3%	57.4%	38.1%	70.2%	16.6%
actor&verb&object	34.5%	14.8%	8.7%	15.8%	2.7%
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verb&object&direction	56.6%	30.6%	18.7%	31.3%	8.3%
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fMRI from-video	32.2%			
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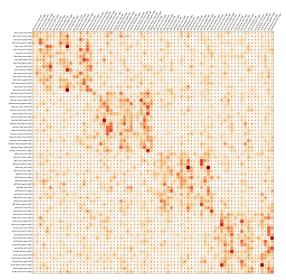
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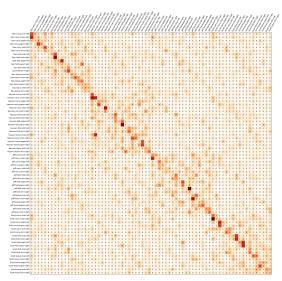
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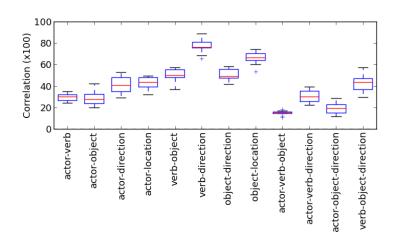
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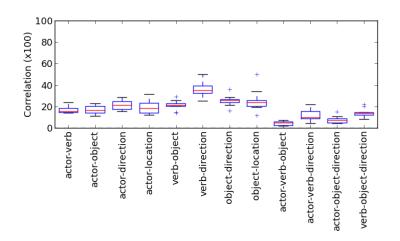
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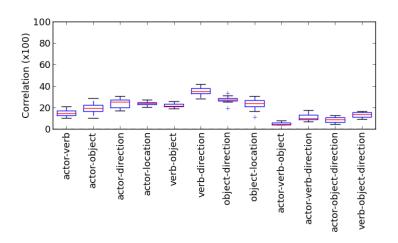
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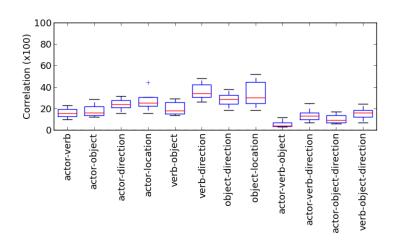
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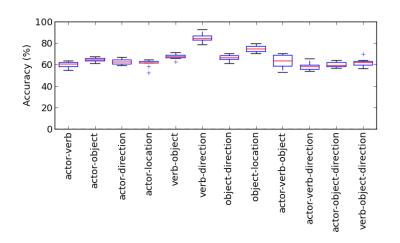
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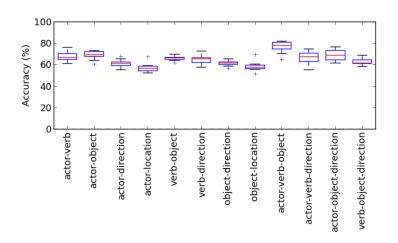
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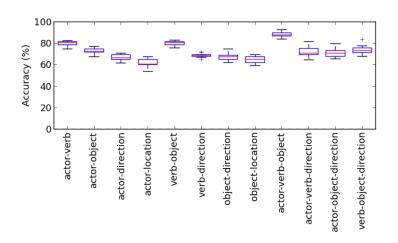
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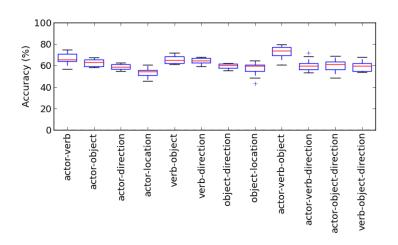
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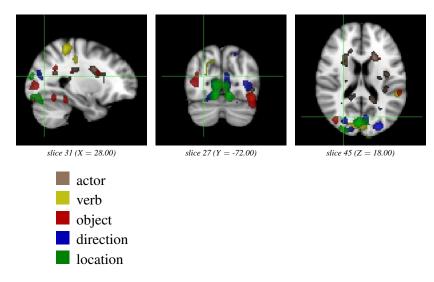
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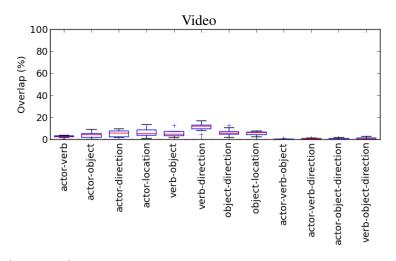
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# Brain Regions for Constituents

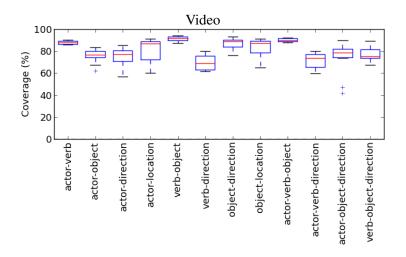


Subject 01, MNI\_152, from-video



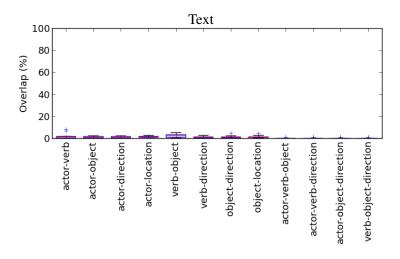


Fraction of overlap between all of the constituent classifier regions in the independent classifier



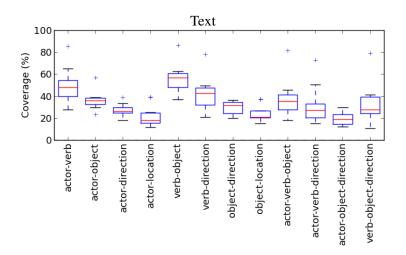


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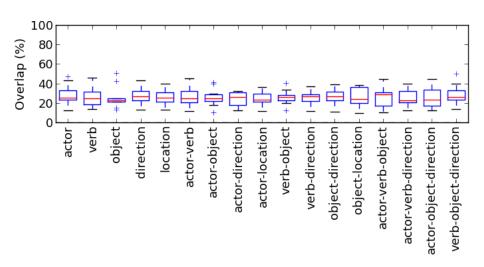
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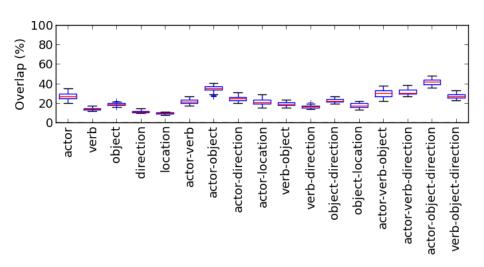


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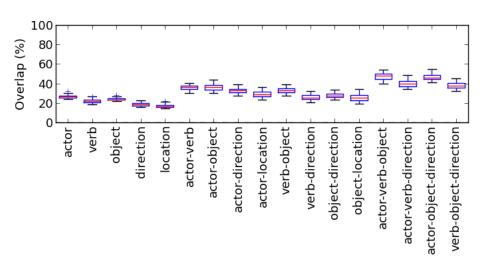
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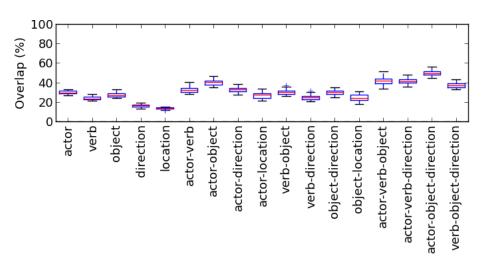
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#### Cross-Subject Text Overlap



### Cross-Subject Modality-Neutral Overlap



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# What underlies a symbolic representation?

▶ predication  $walk(John) \wedge talk(Mary)$   $walk(Mary) \wedge talk(John)$ 

not {John, Mary, walk, talk}



$$\left\{ \begin{matrix} Dan \\ Scott \\ nobody \end{matrix} \right\} \times \left\{ \begin{matrix} pick \ up \\ put \ down \\ does \ nothing \end{matrix} \right\} \times \left\{ \begin{matrix} briefcase \\ chair \\ nothing \end{matrix} \right\}$$

 $\left\{
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 Scott \\
 nobody
 \end{array}
 \right\}$ 

actor

pick up
put down
does nothing

verb

\begin{case} briefcase \ chair \ nothing \end{case}

object

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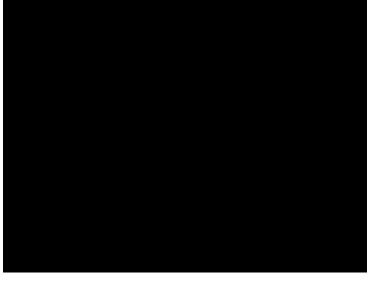
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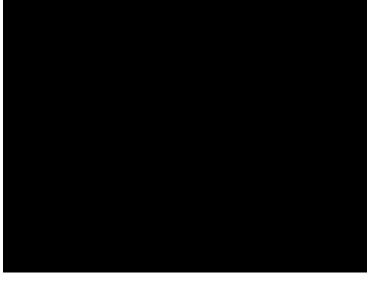
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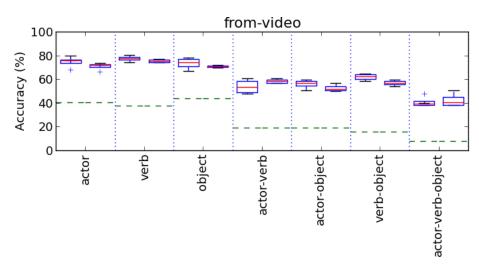
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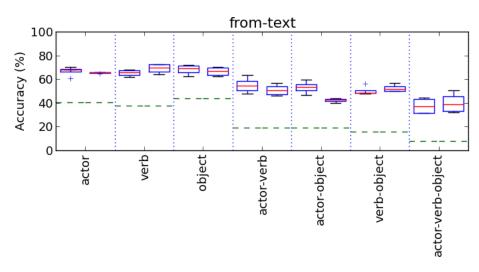
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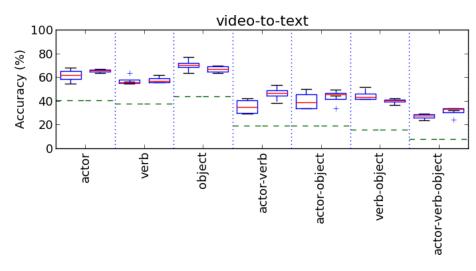


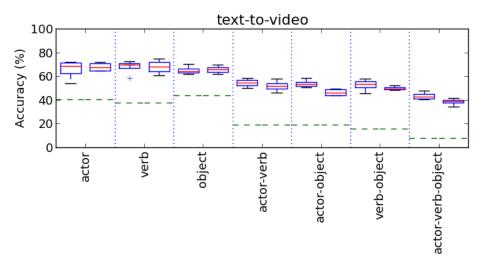
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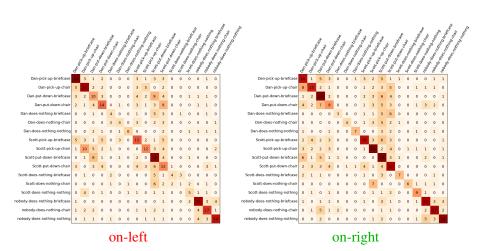


	on-left				on-right				chance
	from-video	from-text	video-to-text	text-to-video	from-video	from-text	video-to-text	text-to-video	
actor	74.80%	66.79%	61.52%	65.62%	71.09%	65.42%	65.42%	67.96%	40.62%
verb	77.53%	65.23%	57.42%	67.77%	75.58%	69.14%	57.61%	67.96%	37.50%
object	73.43%	68.16%	70.31%	65.03%	70.70%	66.60%	66.60%	65.62%	43.75%
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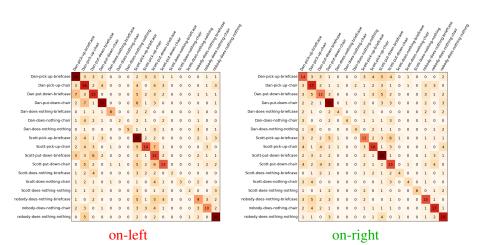
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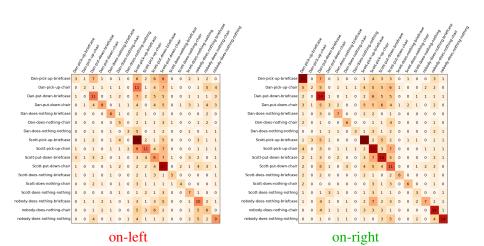
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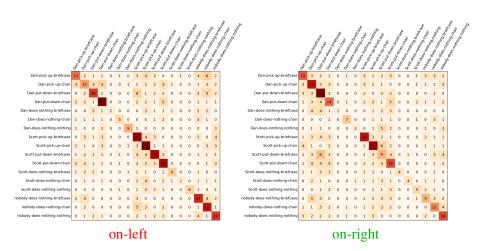
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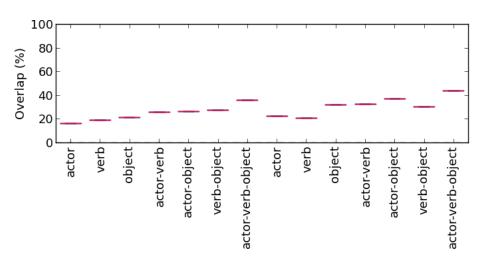
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actor-verb-object text-to-video



# Cross-Modal Overlap



# Summary

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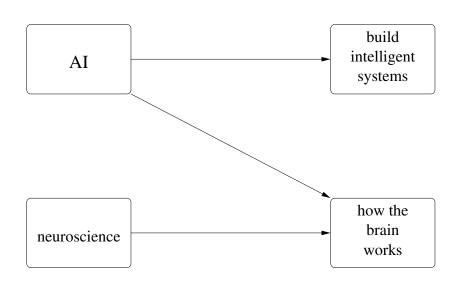


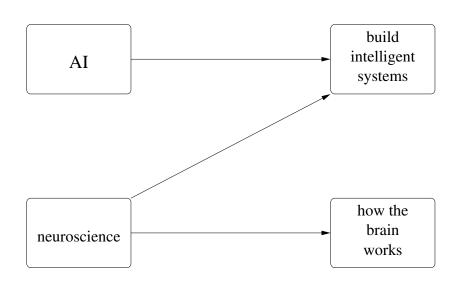


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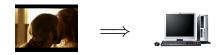








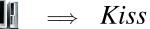






























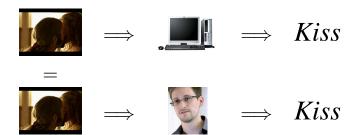


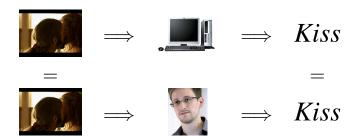


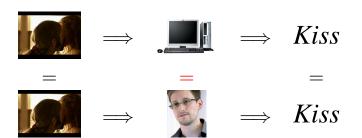




 $\implies$  Kiss







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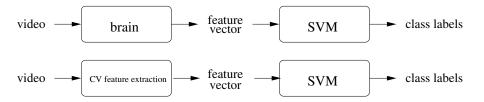
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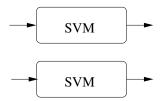


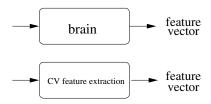


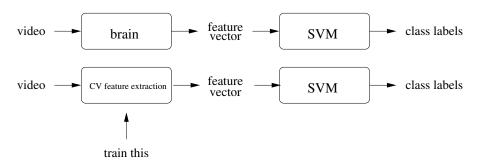


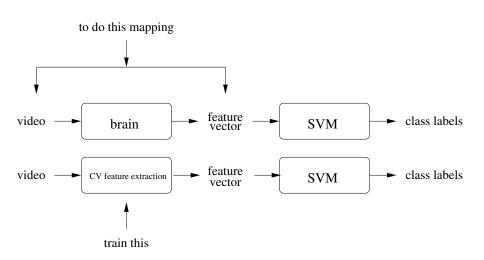


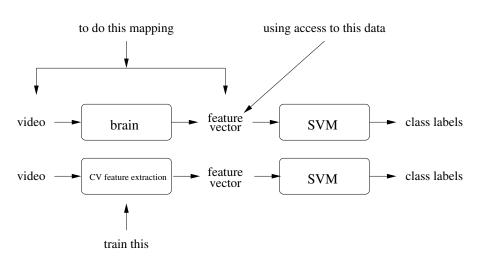














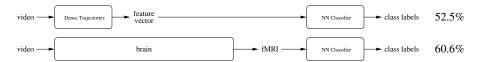


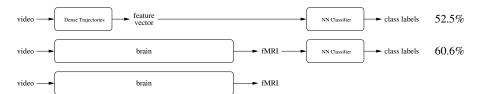


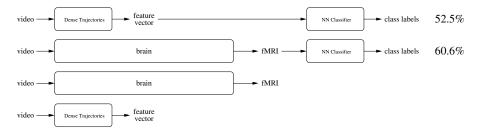


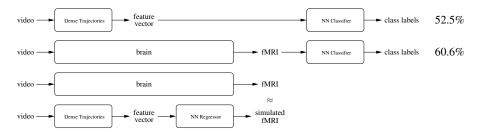


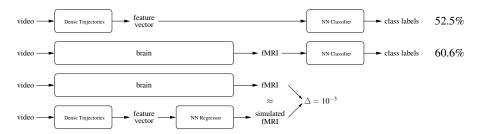


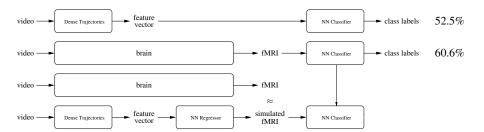


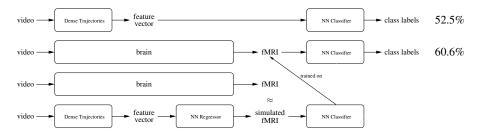


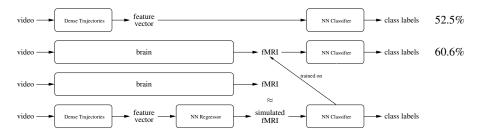


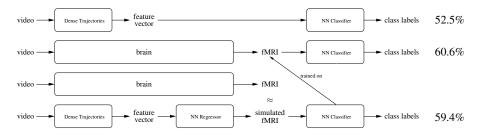


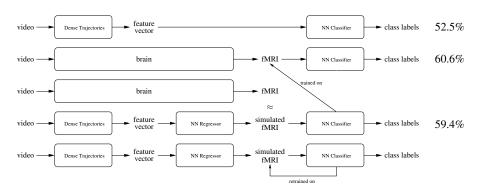


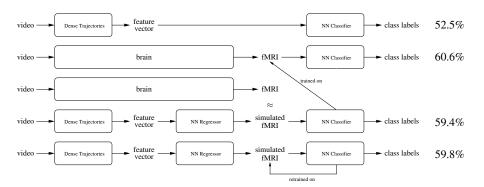












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## Joint work

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# Sentence-Directed Video Object Codetection

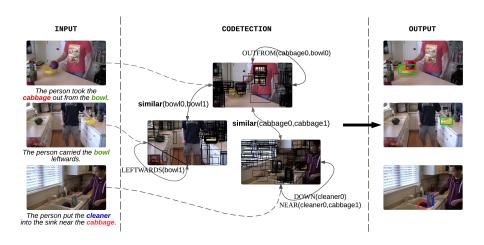
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#### Overview



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## Our Predicates

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	medFIMg(p)	$\Delta$ distLarge $\triangleq 0.25$
	$MOVE(p) + distLessThan \left(y(p^{(T)}) - y(p^{(1)}), -\Delta DISTLARGE\right)$	$\Delta$ DISTSMALL $\triangleq 0.05$ $\Delta$ ANGLE $\triangleq \pi/2$
	$MOVE(p) + distGreaterThan\left(y(p^{(T)}) - y(p^{(1)}), \Delta DISTLARGE\right)$	$\Delta$ ANGLE = $\pi/2$
	$MOVE(p) + distGreaterThan \left(  x(p^{(T)}) - x(p^{(1)}) , \Delta DISTLARGE \right)$	
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$MOVERIGHTWARDS(p) \stackrel{\triangle}{=}$	$MOVE(p) + distGreaterThan\left(x(p^{(T)}) - x(p^{(1)}), \Delta DISTLARGE\right)$	
	$MOVE(p) + \max_{t} hasRotation \left( rotAngle(p^{(t)}), \Delta ANGLE \right)$	
	$MOVE(p_1) + distLessThan \left( dist(p_1^{(T)}, p_2^{(T)}) - dist(p_1^{(1)}, p_2^{(1)}), -\Delta DISTLARGE \right)$	
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	tempCoher $(p_2)$ + distLessThan $\left(x(p_1^{(1)}) - x(p_2^{(1)}), -\Delta DISTSMALL\right)$	
	tempCoher $(p_2)$ + distLessThan $\left(x(p_1^{(T)}) - x(p_2^{(T)}), -\Delta_{DISTSMALL}\right)$	
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ONTOPOFSTART $(p_1, p_2) \triangleq$	tempCoher( $p_2$ ) +distGreaterThan $(y(p_2^{(1)}) - y(p_2^{(1)}), -2\Delta_{DISTLARGE})$	
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NEARSTART $(p_1, p_2) \stackrel{\triangle}{=}$	tempCoher $(p_2)$ + distLessThan $(dist(p_1^{(1)}, p_2^{(1)}), 2\Delta_{DISTSMALL})$	
$NEAREND(p_1, p_2) \stackrel{\triangle}{=}$	tempCoher $(p_2)$ + distLessThan $\left(\text{dist}(p_1^{(T)}, p_2^{(T)}), 2\Delta_{DISTSMALL}\right)$	
$INSTART(p_1, p_2) \triangleq$	$tempCoher(p_2) + NEARSTART(p_1, p_2) + smaller(p_1^{(1)}, p_2^{(1)})$	
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	tempCoher $(p_2)$ + distLessThan $\left(y(p_1^{(T)}) - y(p_2^{(T)}), -\Delta_{DISTSMALL}\right)$	
$OVER(p_1, p_2) \stackrel{\triangle}{=}$	tempCoher(p2)	
	$+ \max_{l} \left( \frac{\text{distLessThan} \left( \mathbf{y}(p_{1}^{(l)}) - \mathbf{y}(p_{2}^{(l)}), -\Delta \mathbf{DISTSMALL} \right)}{\left( \text{distLessThan} \left( \mathbf{x}(p_{1}^{(l)}) - \mathbf{x}(p_{2}^{(l)}) \right , \Delta \mathbf{DISTLARGE} \right)} \right)$	

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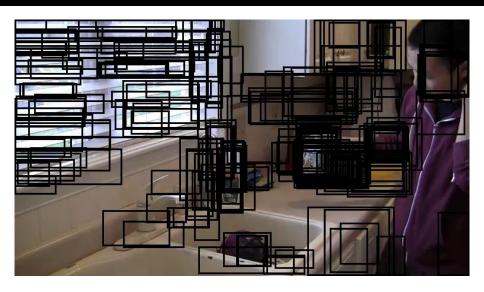
#### Four Variants

	SIM (variant 1)	FLOW (variant 2)	SIM+FLOW (variant 3)	SENT (variant 4)	SIM+SENT (our full method)
Similarity score?	yes	no	yes	no	yes
Sentence score?	no	partial	partial	yes	yes

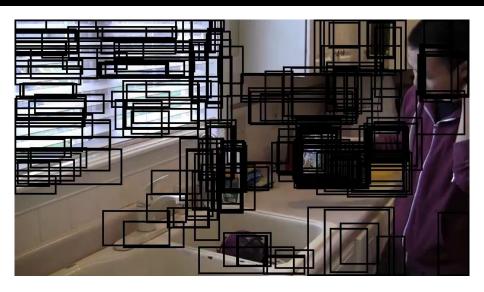
partial: motion and temporal coherence but no other components of sentence semantics

#### Our Predicates

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Predicates
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                                                                                                                                                           AdistLarge \(\perp\) 0.25
                 MOVEUP(p) \triangleq MOVE(p) + distLessThan \left(y(p^{(T)}) - y(p^{(1)}), -\Delta DISTLARGE\right)
                                                                                                                                                          \DeltadistSmall \triangleq 0.05
                                                                                                                                                                  \DeltaANGLE \stackrel{\triangle}{=} \pi/2
            MOVEDOWN(p) \stackrel{\triangle}{=} MOVE(p) + distGreaterThan (y(p^{(T)}) - y(p^{(1)}), \Delta DISTLARGE)
  MOVEHORIZONTAL(p) \stackrel{\triangle}{=} MOVE(p) + distGreaterThan \left( |x(p^{(T)}) - x(p^{(1)})| \right), \Delta DISTLARGE
   MOVELEFTWARDS(p) \stackrel{\triangle}{=} MOVE(p) + distLessThan \left(x(p^{(T)}) - x(p^{(1)}), -\Delta DISTLARGE\right)
 MOVERIGHTWARDS(p) \stackrel{\triangle}{=} MOVE(p) + distGreaterThan (x(p^{(T)}) - x(p^{(1)}), \Delta DISTLARGE)
                   ROTATE(p) \triangleq MOVE(p) + max hasRotation (rotAngle(p^{(t)}), \Delta ANGLE)
         TOWARDS(p_1, p_2) \stackrel{\triangle}{=} MOVE(p_1) + distLessThan \left(dist(p_1^{(T)}, p_2^{(T)}) - dist(p_1^{(1)}, p_2^{(1)}), -\Delta DISTLARGE\right)
       AWAYFROM(p_1, p_2) \stackrel{\triangle}{=} MOVE(p_1) + distGreaterThan \left(dist(p_1^{(T)}, p_2^{(T)}) - dist(p_1^{(1)}, p_2^{(1)}), \Delta DISTLARGE\right)
   LEFTOFSTART(p_1, p_2) \triangleq \text{tempCoher}(p_2) + \text{distLessThan}\left(x(p_1^{(1)}) - x(p_2^{(1)}), -\Delta \text{DISTSMALL}\right)
     LEFTOFEND(p_1, p_2) \triangleq tempCoher(p_2) + distLessThan \left(x(p_1^{(T)}) - x(p_2^{(T)}), -\Delta DISTSMALL\right)
 RIGHTOFSTART(p_1, p_2) \triangleq tempCoher(p_2) + distGreaterThan(x(p_1^{(1)}) - x(p_2^{(1)}), \Delta DISTSMALL)
    RIGHTOFEND(p_1, p_2) \triangleq tempCoher(p_2) + distGreaterThan (x(p_1^{(T)}) - x(p_2^{(T)}), \Delta DISTSMALL)
ONTOPOFSTART(p_1, p_2) \triangleq tempCoher(p_2)
                                       +distGreaterThan (y(p_1^{(1)}) - y(p_2^{(1)}), -2\Delta DISTLARGE)
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    BELOWSTART(p_1, p_2) \triangleq \text{tempCoher}(p_2) + \text{distGreaterThan}(y(p_1^{(1)}) - y(p_2^{(1)}), \Delta DISTSMALL)
       BELOWEND(p_1, p_2) \triangleq tempCoher(p_2) + distGreaterThan (y(p_1^{(T)}) - y(p_2^{(T)}), \Delta DISTSMALL)
    ABOVESTART(p_1, p_2) \triangleq \text{tempCoher}(p_2) + \text{distLessThan}(y(p_1^{(1)}) - y(p_2^{(1)}), -\Delta \text{DISTSMALL})
       ABOVEEND(p_1, p_2) \stackrel{\triangle}{=} tempCoher(p_2) + distLessThan \left(y(p_1^{(T)}) - y(p_2^{(T)}), -\Delta DISTSMALL\right)
                OVER(p_1, p_2) \stackrel{\triangle}{=} tempCoher(p_2)
                                       + \max_{i} \left( \frac{\text{distLessThan} \left( y(p_1^{(i)}) - y(p_2^{(i)}), -\Delta_{DISTSMALL} \right)}{\text{distLessThan} \left( \left[ x(p_1^{(i)}) - x(p_2^{(i)}) \right], \Delta_{DISTLARGE} \right)} \right)
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 ${\it The person put the cleaner into the sink near the cabbage}.$ 



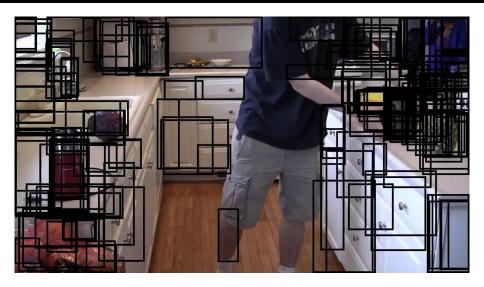
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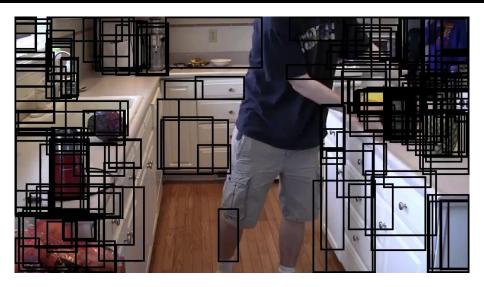
The person carried the pineapple towards the cleaner.



The person carried the pineapple towards the cleaner.



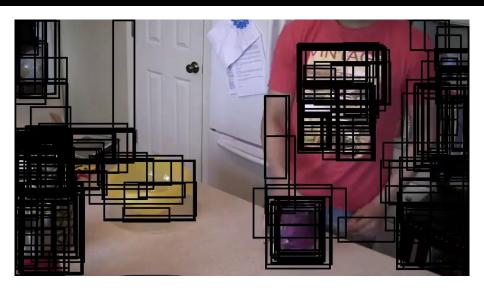
 ${\it The person took the squash away from the pineapple and put it near the coffee.}$ 



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The person put the cabbage into the bowl.



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 ${\it The person put the cleaner into the sink near the cabbage}.$ 



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 ${\it The person carried the pineapple towards the cleaner.}$ 



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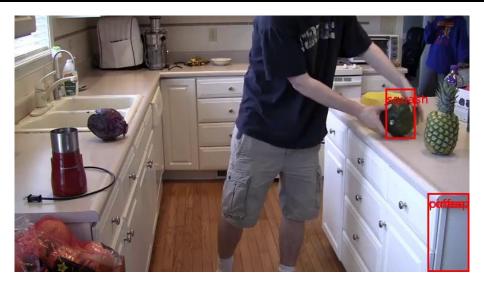
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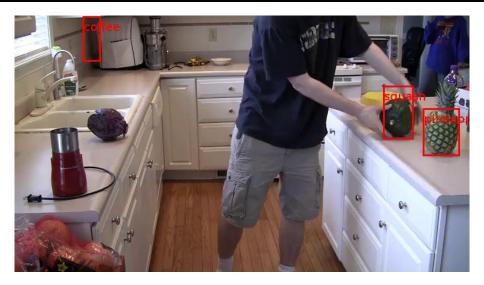
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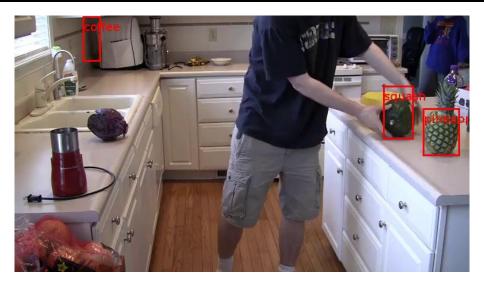
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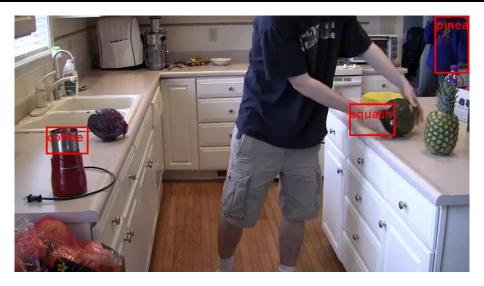
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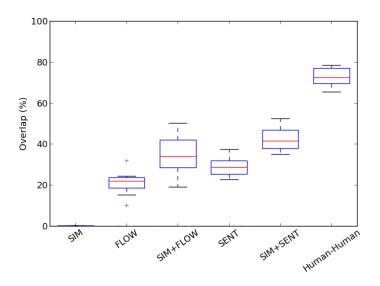


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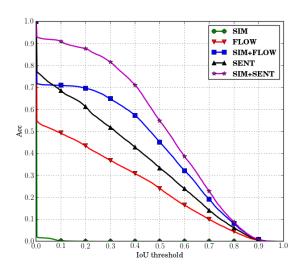


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#### **IoU Scores**



# **Codetection Accuracy**



# More Examples



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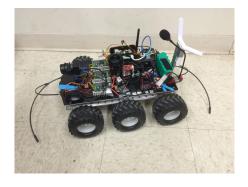
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#### Our Custom Mobile Robot

- ► IMU (3-axis accelerometers, gyros, and magnetometers)
- ► GPS
- ▶ 6 independently controllable wheel motors
- 2 shaft encoders with Teensy controller
- ► Gumstix Overo FireSTORM + Summit running Linux
- Bluetooth, WiFi, and 4G LTE.
- front and rear bump sensors
- ▶ ultrasonic rangefinder
- ▶ pan-tilt front-facing camera (Point Grey)
- omnidirectional camera (Point Grey)
- audio input and output
- touchscreen
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- custom firmware on IMU and Teensy
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# Grounding Language Semantics in Robotics

$$\mathcal{R}: (\mathbf{s}, \mathbf{p}, \mathbf{f}, \Lambda) \mapsto \tau$$

- ▶ s: sentence
- **p**: path
- ▶ **f**: floorplan
- Λ: lexicon
- $\triangleright \tau$ : score

**▶ Language Acquisition**: sentence  $\times$  path  $\rightarrow$  lexicon

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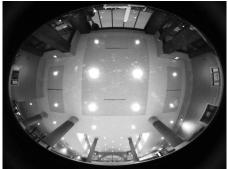
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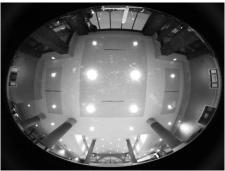
**Language Comprehension**: sentence  $\times$  lexicon  $\rightarrow$  path

$$\arg \ \max_{\boldsymbol{p}} \mathcal{R}(\boldsymbol{s},\boldsymbol{p},\boldsymbol{f},\Lambda)$$













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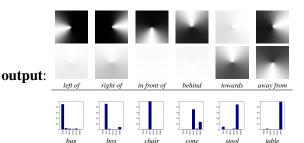
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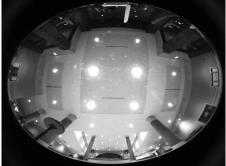
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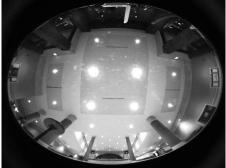
#### ... plus 599 more











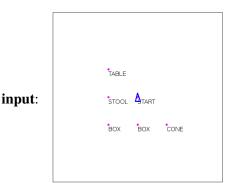






input:

The robot went behind the box which is right of the box then went right of the stool then went right of the box which is right of the box then went left of the cone then went in front of the cone then went in front of the box which is right of the box then went in front of the box which is left of the box.



output:

input:

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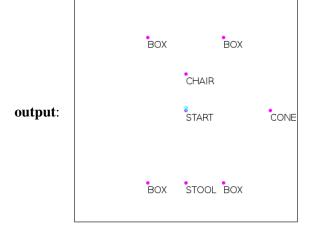
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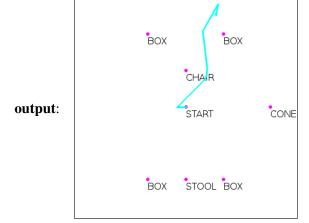
The robot went away from the cone then went behind the box input: which is right of the chair and which is behind the cone then went towards the stool.

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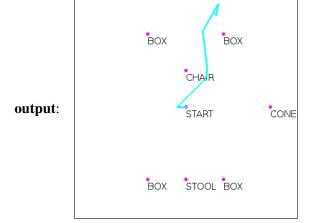
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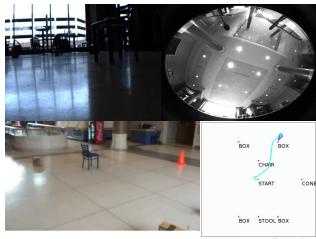
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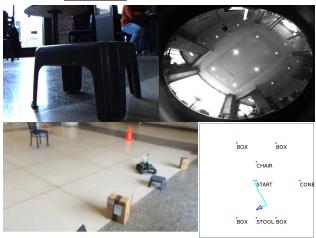
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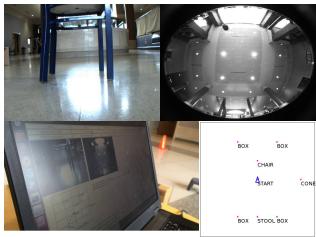
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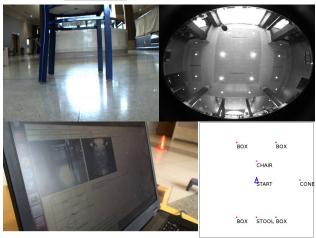
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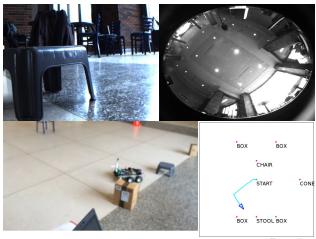
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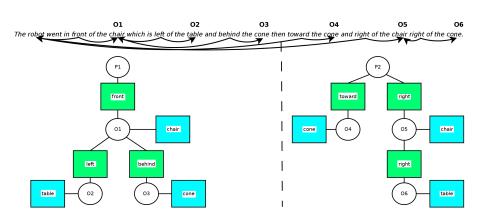
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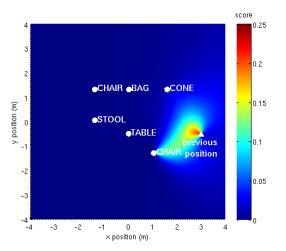
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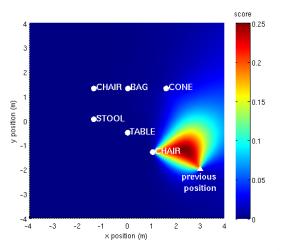
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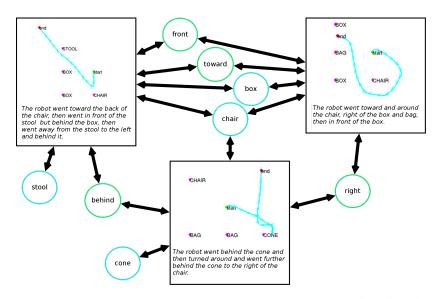


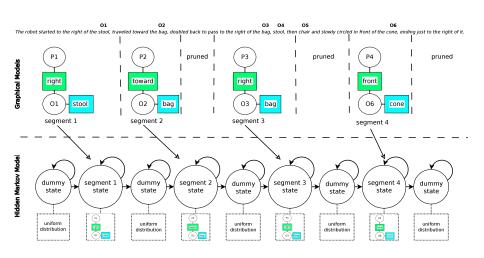
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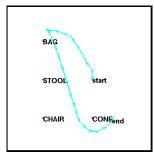
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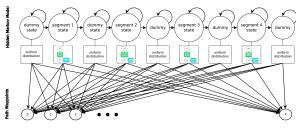




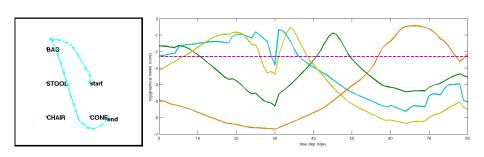


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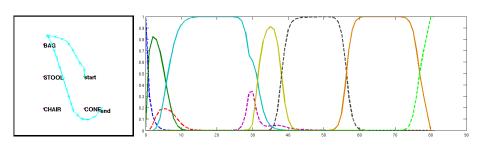


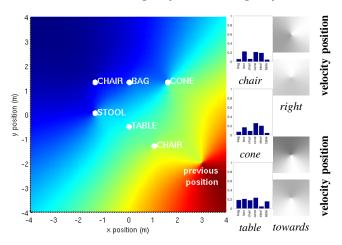


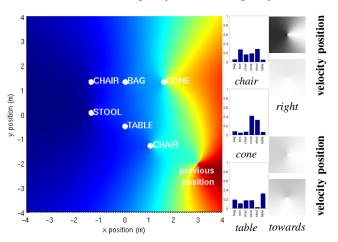
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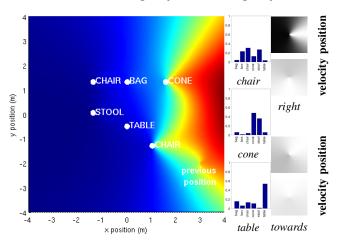


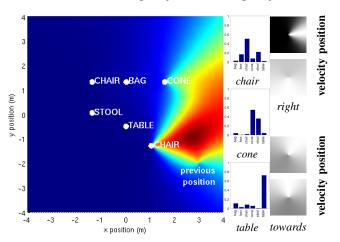
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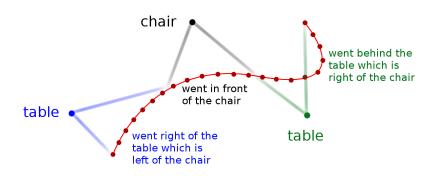








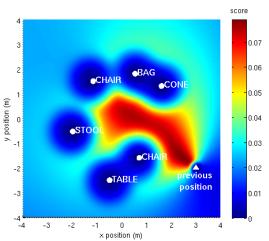
#### Generation Method



The robot went right of the table which is left of the chair, then went in front of the chair, then went behind the table which is right of the chair.

# Comprehension Method

#### toward the chair left of the bag



- 10 random floorplans
  - ▶ 3 or 4 objects, at most one duplicate
  - ▶ tile corners (not perimeter)
- 25 random sentences per floorplan
- manually drive 250 paths; recover paths from odometry
- get 3 AMT sentences for each path, 750 total
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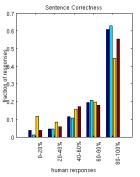
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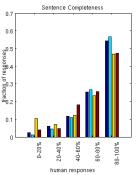
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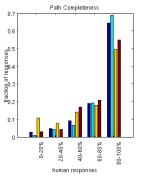
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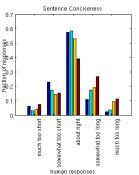
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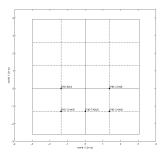
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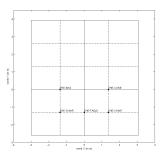
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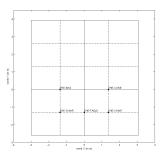


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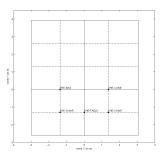


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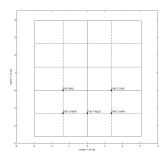
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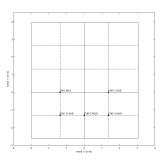
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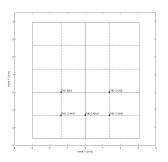
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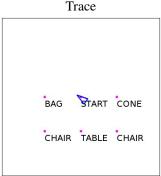


#### Trace



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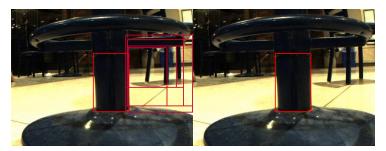
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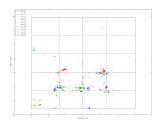






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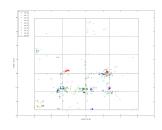


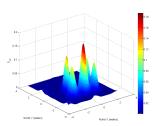
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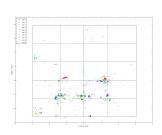
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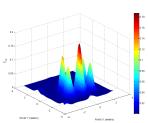
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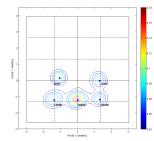


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#### Results

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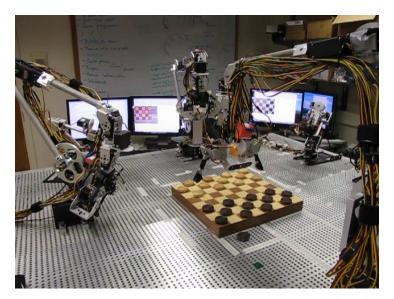
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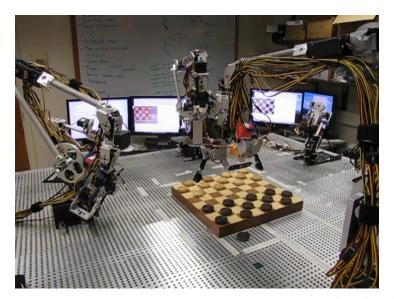
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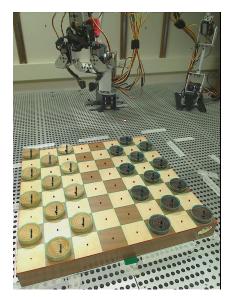
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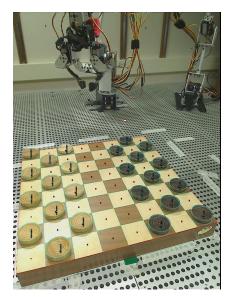
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#### Rule Set #1

#### Part 1

Checkers is played by two players. Each player begins the game with 12 colored discs. (Typically, one set of pieces is black and the other red.) The board consists of 64 squares, alternating between 32 dark and 32 light squares. It is positioned so that each player has a light square on the right side corner closest to him or her. Each player places his or her pieces on the 12 dark squares closest to him or

her.

Black moves first. Players then alternate moves.

Moves are allowed only on the dark squares, so pieces always move diagonally. Single pieces are always limited to forward moves (toward the opponent). A piece making a non-capturing move (not involving a jump) may move only one square.

A piece making a capturing move (a jump) leaps over one of the opponent's pieces, landing in a straight diagonal line on the other side. Only one piece may be captured in a single jump; however, multiple jumps are allowed on a single turn.

When a piece is captured, it is removed from the board.

If a player is able to make a capture, there is no option -- the jump must be made. If more than one capture is available, the player is free to choose whichever he or she prefers.

When a piece reaches the furthest row from the player who controls that piece, it is crowned and becomes a king. One of the pieces which had been captured is placed on top of the king so that it is twice as high as a single piece. Kings are limited to moving diagonally, but may move both forward and backward. (Remember that single pieces, i.e. non-kings, are always limited to forward moves.)

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Kings may combine jumps in several directions — forward and backward — on the same turn. Single pieces may shift direction diagonally during a multiple capture turn, but must always jump forward (toward the opponent). A player wins the game when the opponent cannot make a move. In most cases, this is because all of the opponent's pieces have been captured, but it could also be because all of his pieces are blocked in.

#### Rule Set #2

#### Part 1

In most games of checkers, there are two players. The players are at opposite ends of the board. One player has dark pieces, and one player has light pieces. They take turns moving their pieces. Players move their pieces diagonally from one square to another square. When a player jumps over their opponent's (the other player's) piece, you take that piece from the board.

#### English checkers.

Most English-speaking people call English checkers "draughts". English 'checkers' is played on an 8x8 chess board. Only the dark squares are used (the light squares are never used). For that reason, good players play differently in the left and right corners.

#### Pieces.

The pieces are flat and round. They are referred to as "men". They are usually colored red and white. For this reason, the darker pieces are usually called "Red" and the lighter pieces are always called "White." Some checkers sets have red and black pieces. Then the red pieces are called "White" and the black pieces "Red." And many sets simply use black and white draughts. There are two kinds of pieces: plain (single) pieces and "kings". A king is made by putting one plain piece on top of another.

#### Starting position.

Each player starts with 12 pieces on the three rows closest to their own side. The row closest to each player is called the "King\_Row". The darker colour moves first.

## Rule Set #2

Part 2

How to move

A player can move in two ways. A piece can be moved forward, diagonally, to the very next dark square. In some variants, if one player's piece, the other player's piece, and an empty square are lined up, then the first player must "jump" the other player's piece. In this case, the first player jumps over the other player's piece onto the empty square and takes the other player's piece off the board. However, this is an uncommon ruleset not commonly observed in the Americas. A player can also use one piece to make multiple jumps in any one single turn, provided each jump continues to lead immediately into the next jump and in a straight line. Sometimes a player may have the option or a choice of which opponent piece he must jump. In such cases, he may then choose which to jump. If you keep your hand on any piece when you're moving, you have the choice to put it back and move another piece.

## Rule Set #2

#### Part 3

#### Kings.

If a player's piece moves into the King Row on the other player's side, it becomes a king. It can move forward and backward. (Regular pieces can only move forward.) A king cannot jump out of the King Row until the next turn. Unlike Regular pieces, Kings can "jump" various empty boxes at a time to capture a regular piece. These "King\_Jumps" may only occur in diagonally aligned boxes. Neither Kings nor regular pieces may move in any direction that is not diagonal.

#### How the game ends.

The first player to lose all of his or her pieces loses the game. If no players are able to move, the player with the most amount of pieces wins. If the players have the same amount of pieces, the player with the most kings wins. If the players have an equal number of pieces and the same number of kings the game is a draw.

```
(define PIECE-MOVE ($1 (verify empty?)
       (if (in-zone? KING-transition)
               (add KING)
       else
               add
))
(define PIECE-JUMP ($1 (verify empty?)
       (if (in-zone? KING-transition)
               (add KING)
       else
               add
))
(define KING-MOVE ($1 (verify empty?)
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```
(game
        (title "checkers1")
        (players P1 P2)
        (turn-order P1 P2)
        (move-priorities MOVE JUMP)
        (board
                (grid
                        (dimensions
                                 ("a/b/c/d/e/f/q/h"); columns
                                 ("8/7/6/5/4/3/2/1"); rows
                        (directions
                                (n 0 -1) (w -1 0) (s 0 1) (e 1 0)
                                 (ne 1 -1) (nw -1 -1) (se 1 1) (sw -1 1)
                (symmetry P2 (n s) (s n) (ne sw) (sw ne) (nw se) (se nw))
                (zone (name KING-transition) (players P1)
                        (positions h8 q8 f8 e8 d8 c8 b8 a8)
                (zone (name KING-transition) (players P2)
                        (positions h1 g1 f1 e1 d1 c1 b1 a1)
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(board-setup
        (P1 (PIECE q1 e1 c1 a1 h2 f2 d2 b2 q3 e3 c3 a3) )
        (P2 (PIECE h6 f6 d6 b6 g7 e7 c7 a7 h8 f8 d8 b8) )
(piece
        (name PIECE)
        (moves
                (move-type MOVE)
                (PIECE-MOVE nw)
                (PIECE-MOVE ne)
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        (moves
                (move-type MOVE)
                (KING-MOVE nw)
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                (KING-MOVE sw)
                (KING-MOVE se)
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(move-type JUMP)
(KING-JUMP nw)
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)
(loss-condition (P1 P2 ) stalemated )
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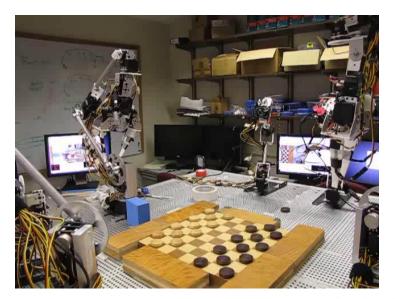
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        (players P1 P2)
        (turn-order P1 P2)
        (move-priorities MOVE JUMP)
        (board
                (grid
                        (dimensions
                                 ("a/b/c/d/e/f/q/h"); columns
                                 ("8/7/6/5/4/3/2/1"); rows
                        (directions
                                (n 0 -1) (w -1 0) (s 0 1) (e 1 0)
                                 (ne 1 -1) (nw -1 -1) (se 1 1) (sw -1 1)
                (symmetry P2 (n s) (s n) (ne sw) (sw ne) (nw se) (se nw))
                (zone (name KING-transition) (players P1)
                        (positions h8 q8 f8 e8 d8 c8 b8 a8)
                (zone (name KING-transition) (players P2)
                        (positions h1 g1 f1 e1 d1 c1 b1 a1)
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(board-setup
        (P1 (PIECE q1 e1 c1 a1 h2 f2 d2 b2 q3 e3 c3 a3) )
        (P2 (PIECE h6 f6 d6 b6 g7 e7 c7 a7 h8 f8 d8 b8) )
(piece
        (name PIECE)
        (moves
                (move-type MOVE)
                (PIECE-MOVE nw)
                (PIECE-MOVE ne)
                (move-type JUMP)
                (PIECE-JUMP nw)
                (PIECE-JUMP ne)
(piece
        (name KING)
        (moves
                (move-type MOVE)
                (KING-MOVE nw)
                (KING-MOVE ne)
                (KING-MOVE sw)
                (KING-MOVE se)
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(move-type JUMP)
(KING-JUMP nw)
(KING-JUMP ne)
(KING-JUMP sw)
(KING-JUMP se)

)
)
(loss-condition (P1 P2 ) (pieces-remaining 0) )
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# Two Robots Playing from Rule Sets #1 and #2



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