

Broad-Coverage Semantic Parsing

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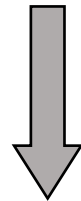
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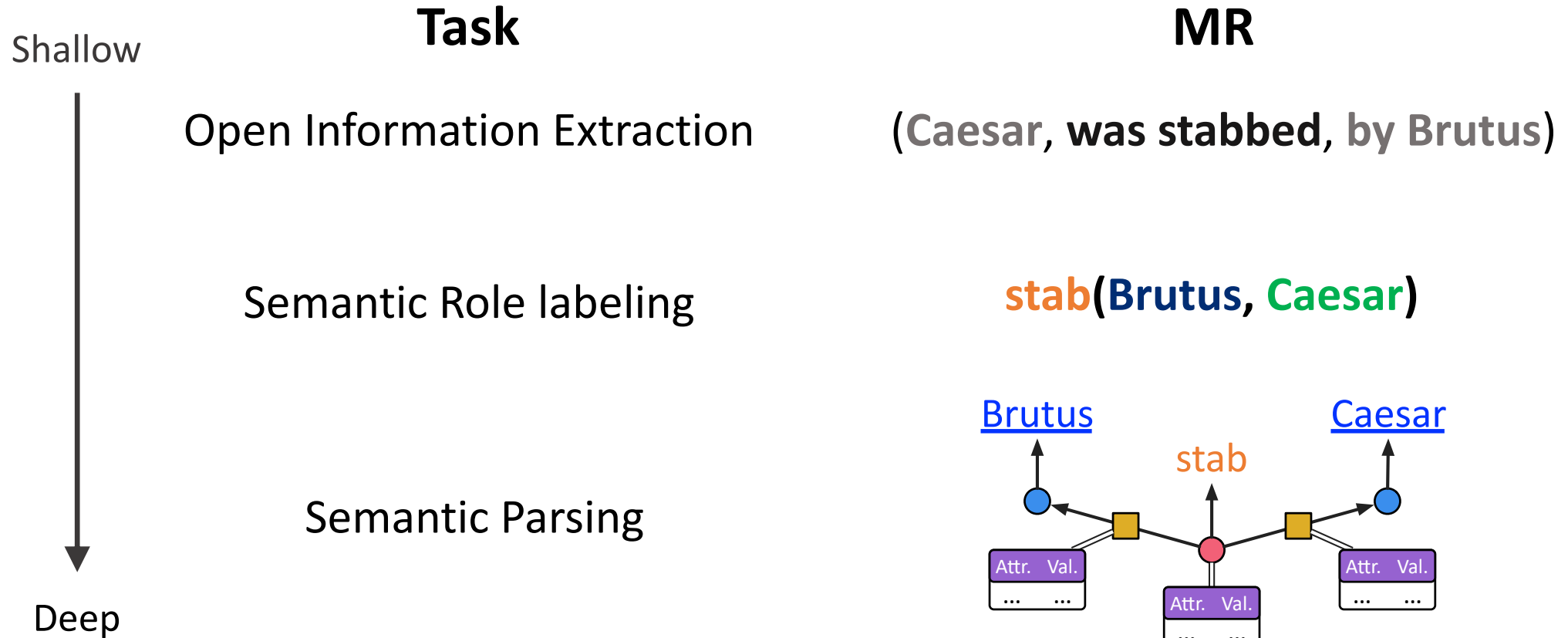
E.g.

Caesar was stabbed by Brutus.



stab(**Brutus**, **Caesar**)

Shallow-to-Deep Semantic Processing

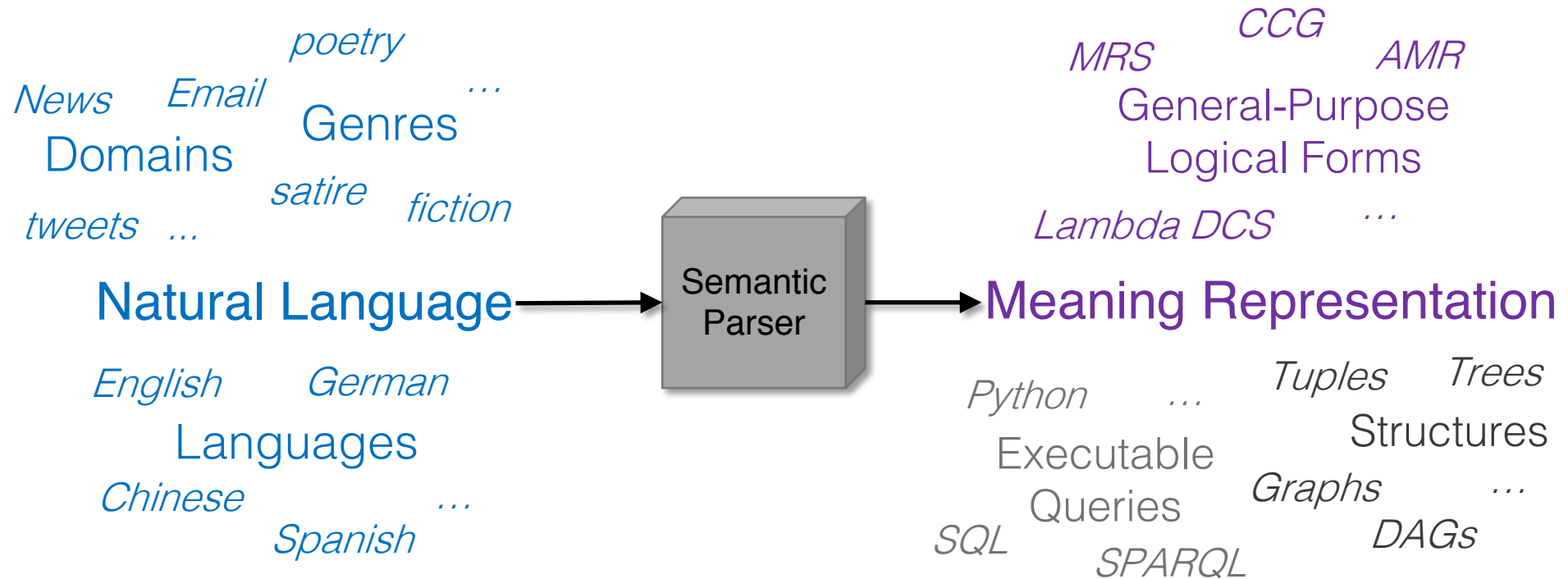


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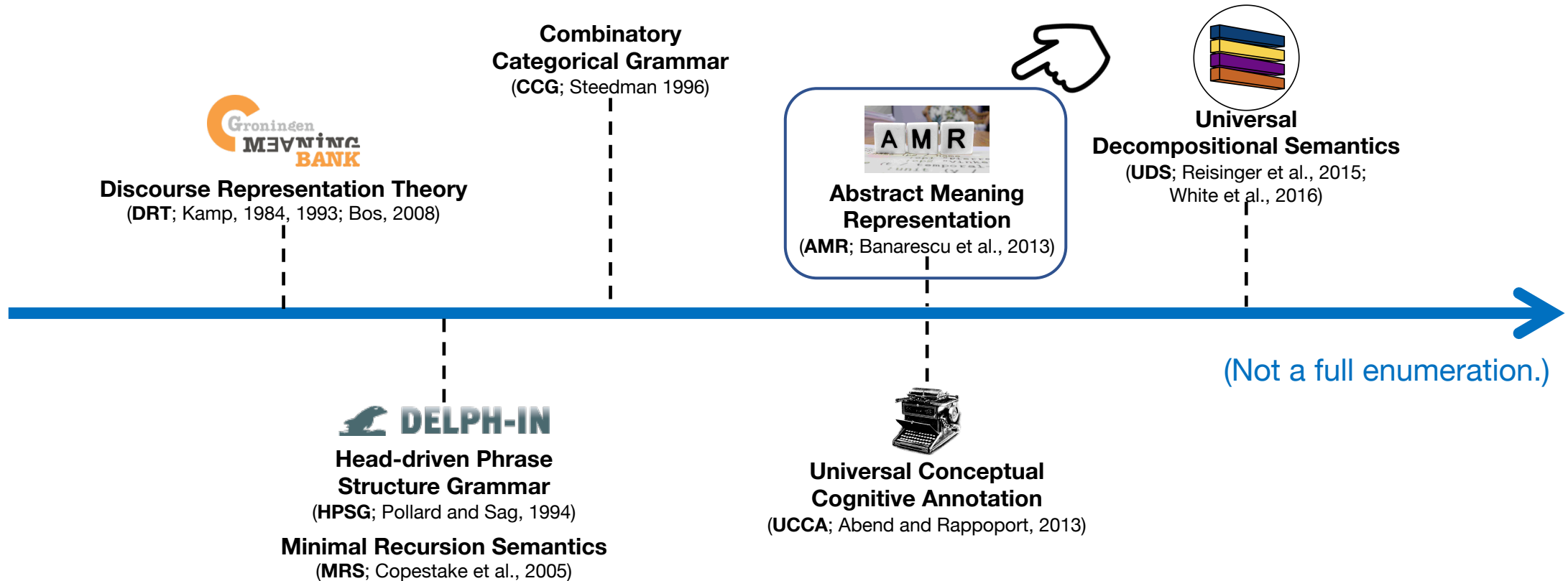
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Broad-Coverage Semantic Parsing

(A long-standing topic of interest in CL)



AMR Bibliography

<https://nert-nlp.github.io/AMR-Bibliography/>

Explore the research on AMR

The table below is sortable by column.
You can highlight rows by topic (click on a topic **TAG**). The main topics are:

Annotation: Research on and methods for AMR annotators

Parsing: Produce an AMR from natural language text
(See [state of the art](#) on NLP-progress)

Generation: Produce natural language text from an AMR

Applications: Summarization, Information Extraction, Biomedical, etc.

Alignment: Find the AMR subgraph corresponding to a word or phrase

AMR Extensions: Research which adds features to the AMR annotation scheme

Multilingual: Extensions of AMR from its original language (English) to more languages

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(j / join-01
  :ARG0 (p / person :wiki -
    :name (p2 / name :op1 "Pierre" :op2 "Vinken")
    :age (t / temporal-quantity :quant 61
      :unit (y / year)))
  :ARG1 (b / board
    :ARG1-of (h / have-org-role-91
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      :ARG2 (d2 / director
        :mod (e / executive :polarity -))))
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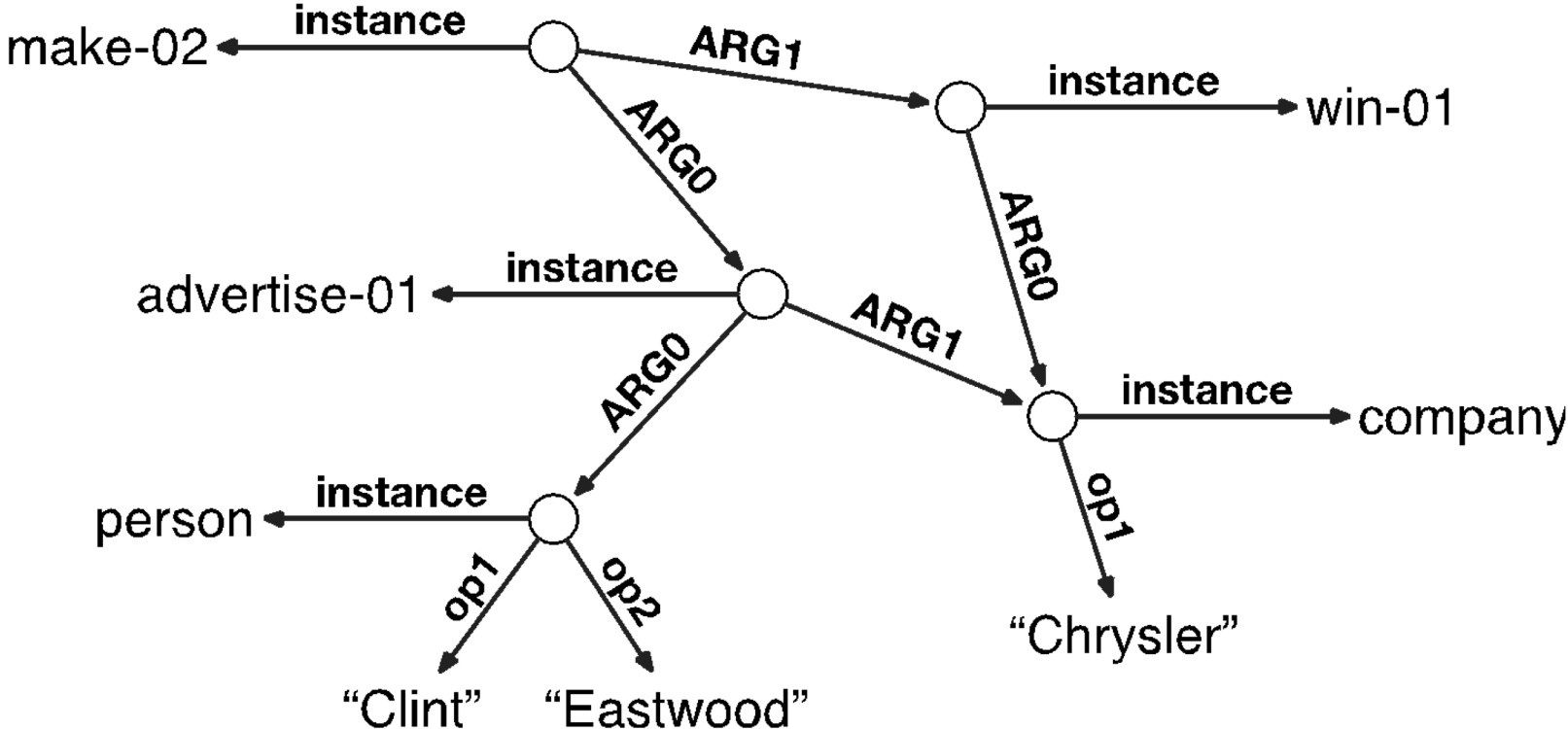
The AMR for the sentence *Pierre Vinken, 61 years old, will join the board as a nonexecutive director Nov. 29.*

Annotation, Parsing, Generation, Applications, Alignment, AMR Extensions, Multilingual, etc.

Title	Authors	Venue	Year	Link(s)	Arxiv	Tags
Augmenting Abstract Meaning Representation for Human-Robot Dialogue	Claire Bonial, Lucia Donatelli, Stephanie M. Lukin, Stephen Tratz, Ron Artstein, David Traum, Clare R. Voss	Designing Meaning Representations Workshop	2019	pdf		AMR Extensions Applications
Separating Argument Structure from Logical Structure in AMR	Johan Bos	preprint	2019		arXiv	AMR Extensions
Towards a General Abstract Meaning Representation Corpus for Brazilian Portuguese	Marco Antonio Sobrevilla Cabezedo, Thiago Alexandre Salgueiro Pardo	Linguistic Annotation Workshop	2019	pdf		Annotation Multilingual
Core Semantic First: A Top-down Approach for AMR Parsing	Deng Cai, Wai Lam	EMNLP	2019		arXiv	Parsing
Factorising AMR generation through syntax	Kris Cao, Stephen Clark	NAACL	2019	pdf	arXiv	Generation

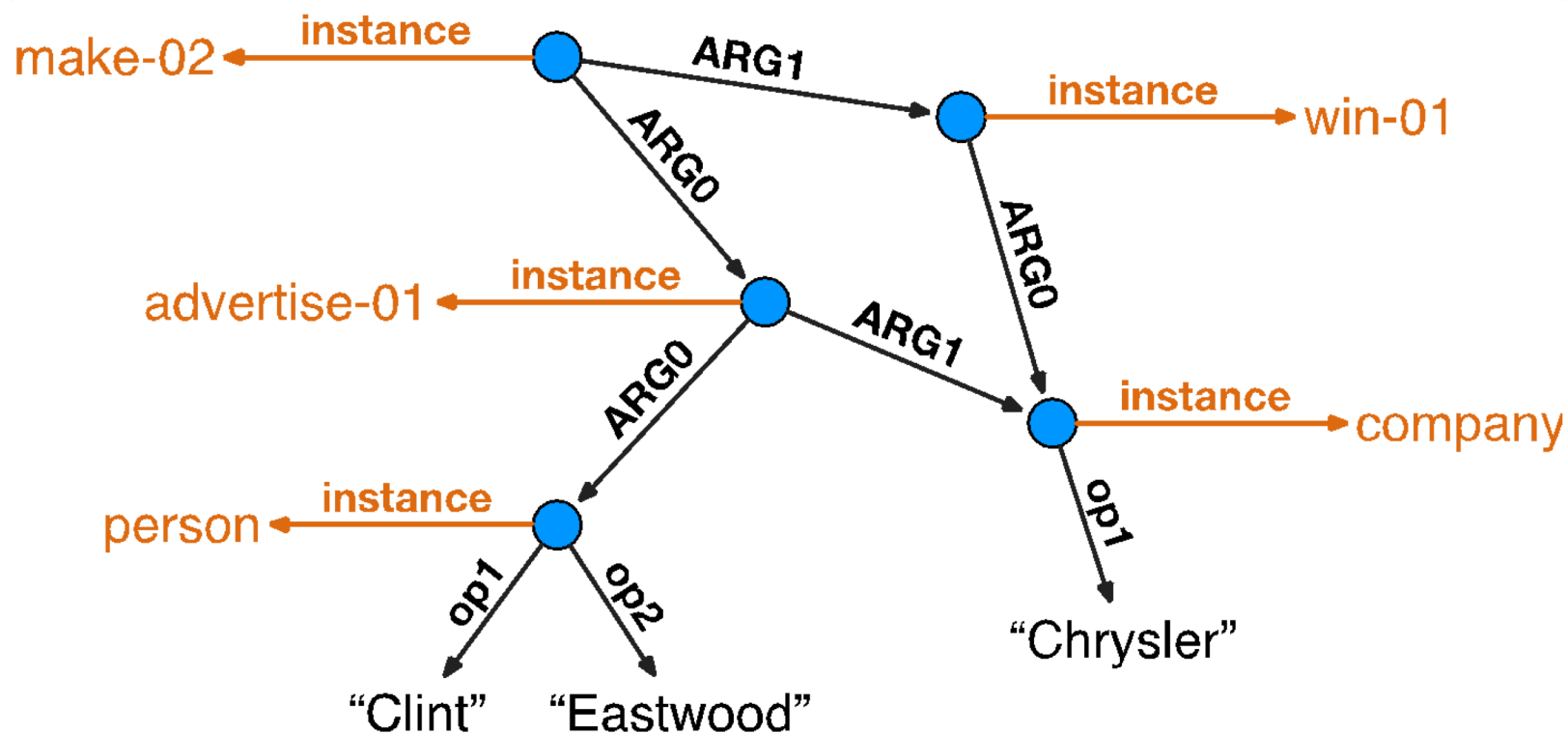
Abstract Meaning Representation (AMR)

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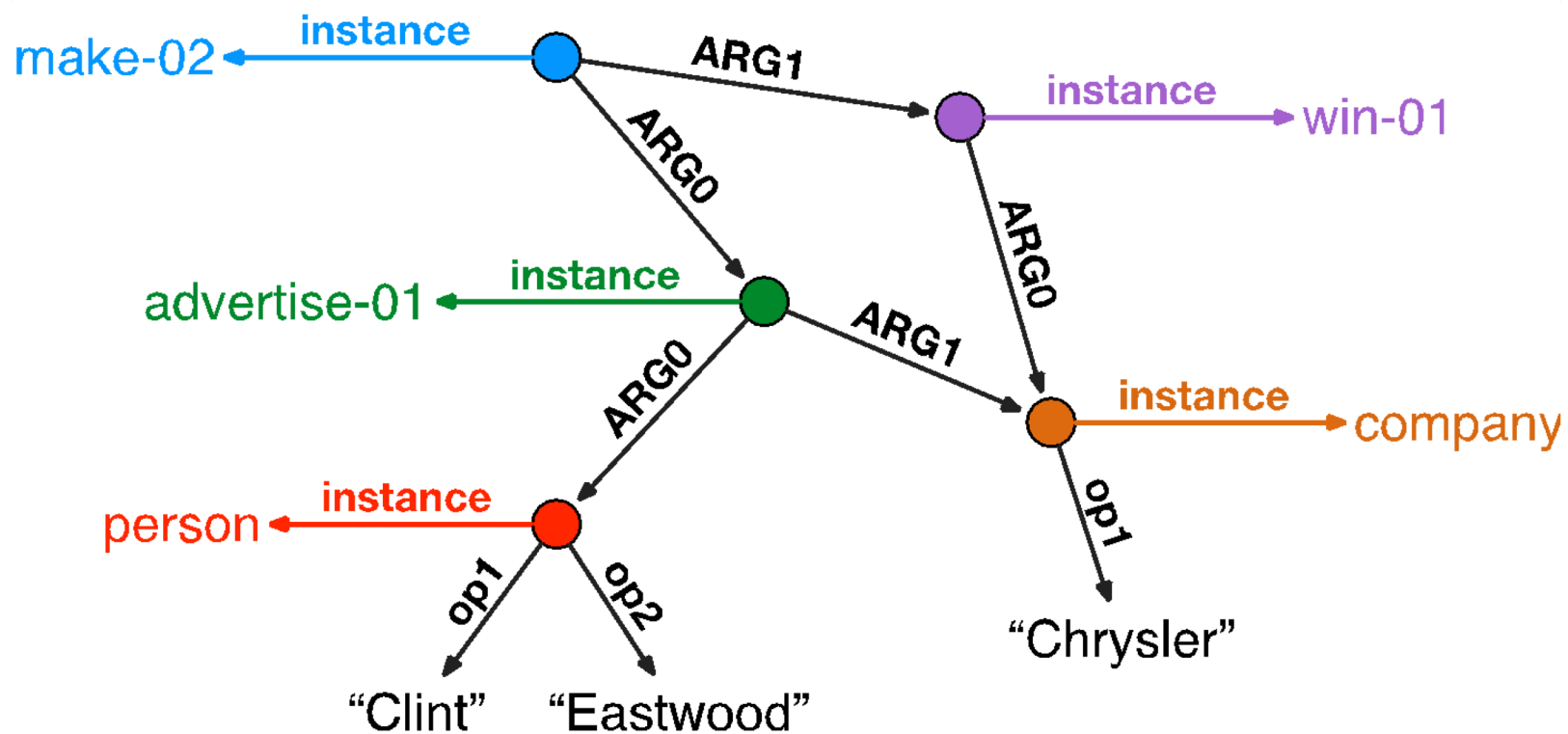
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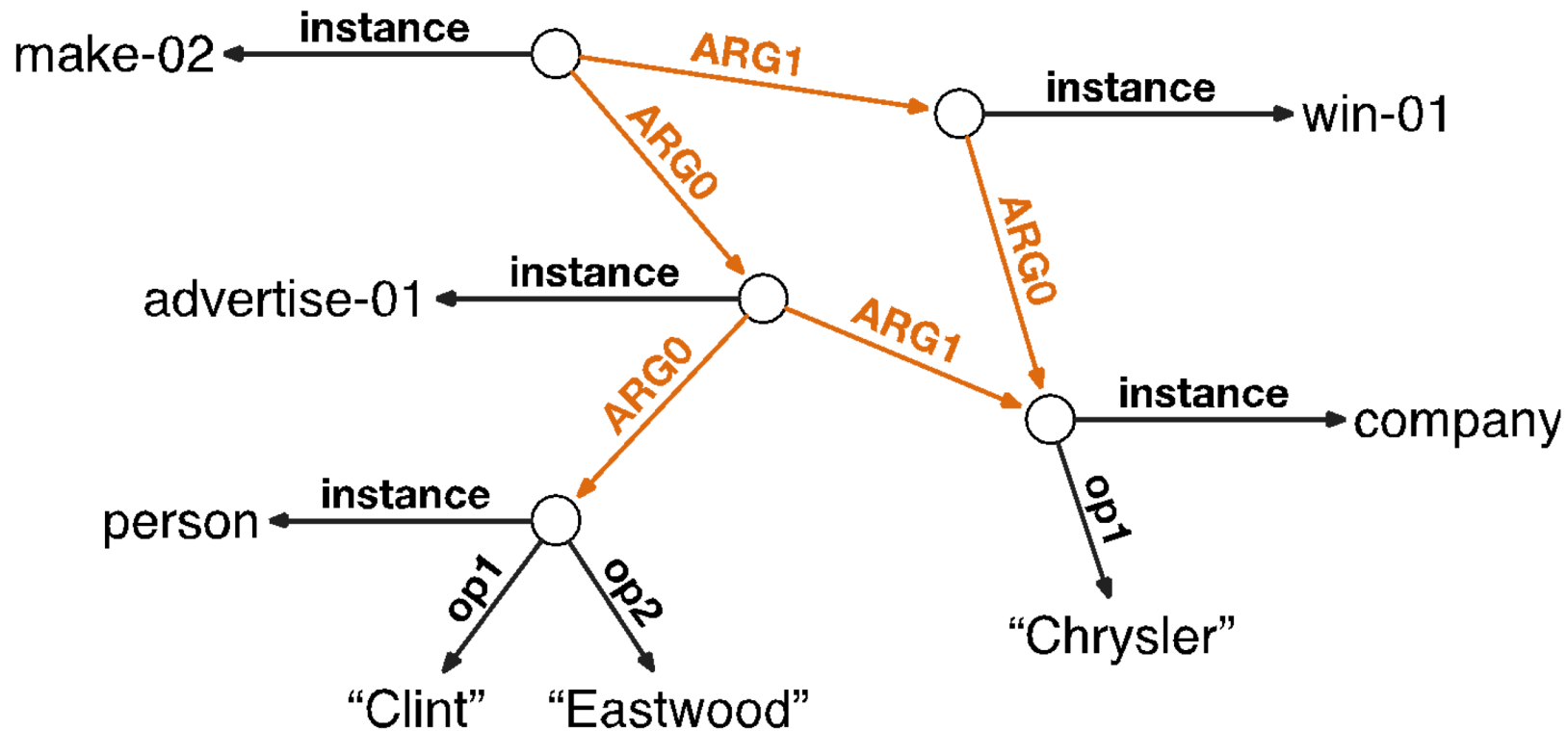
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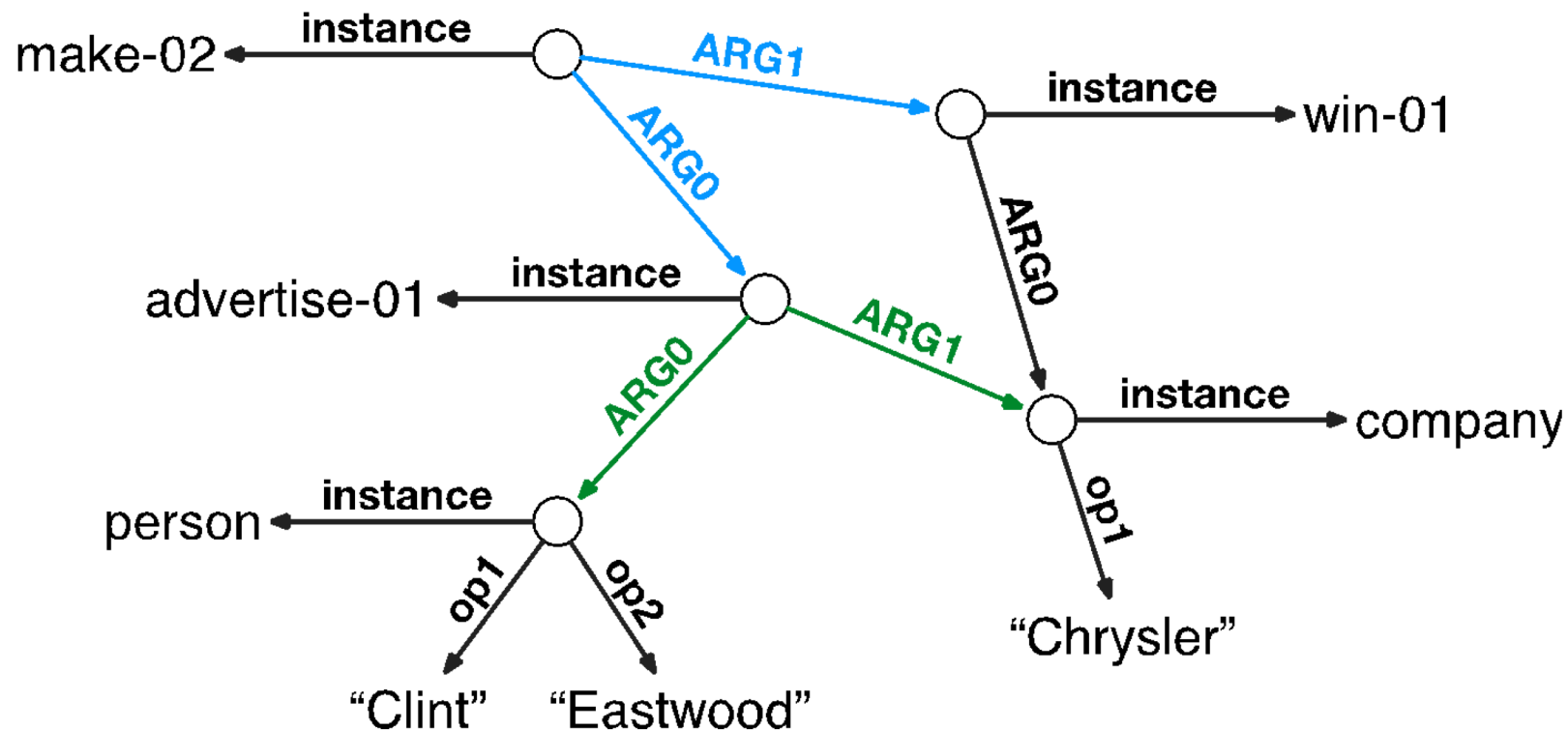
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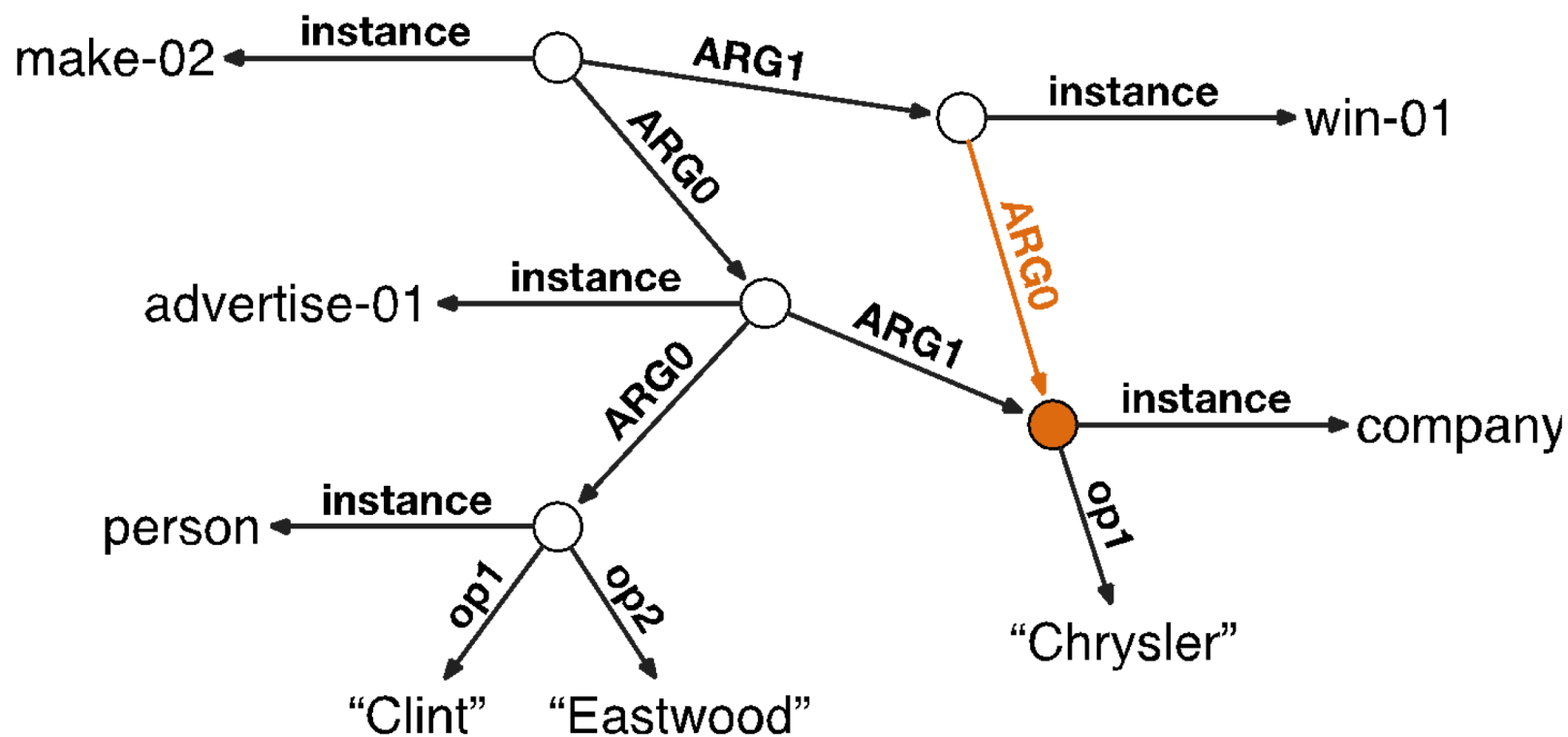
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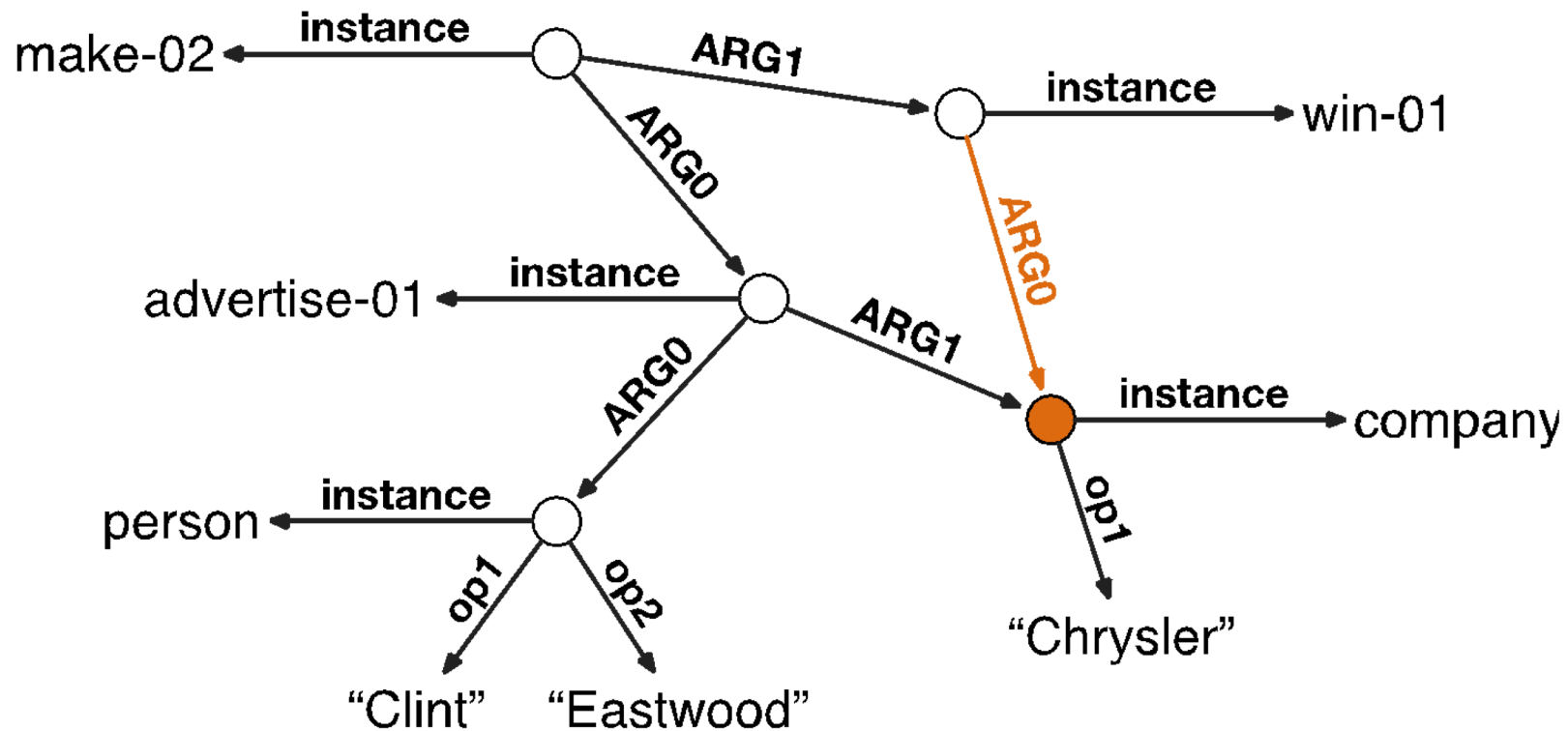
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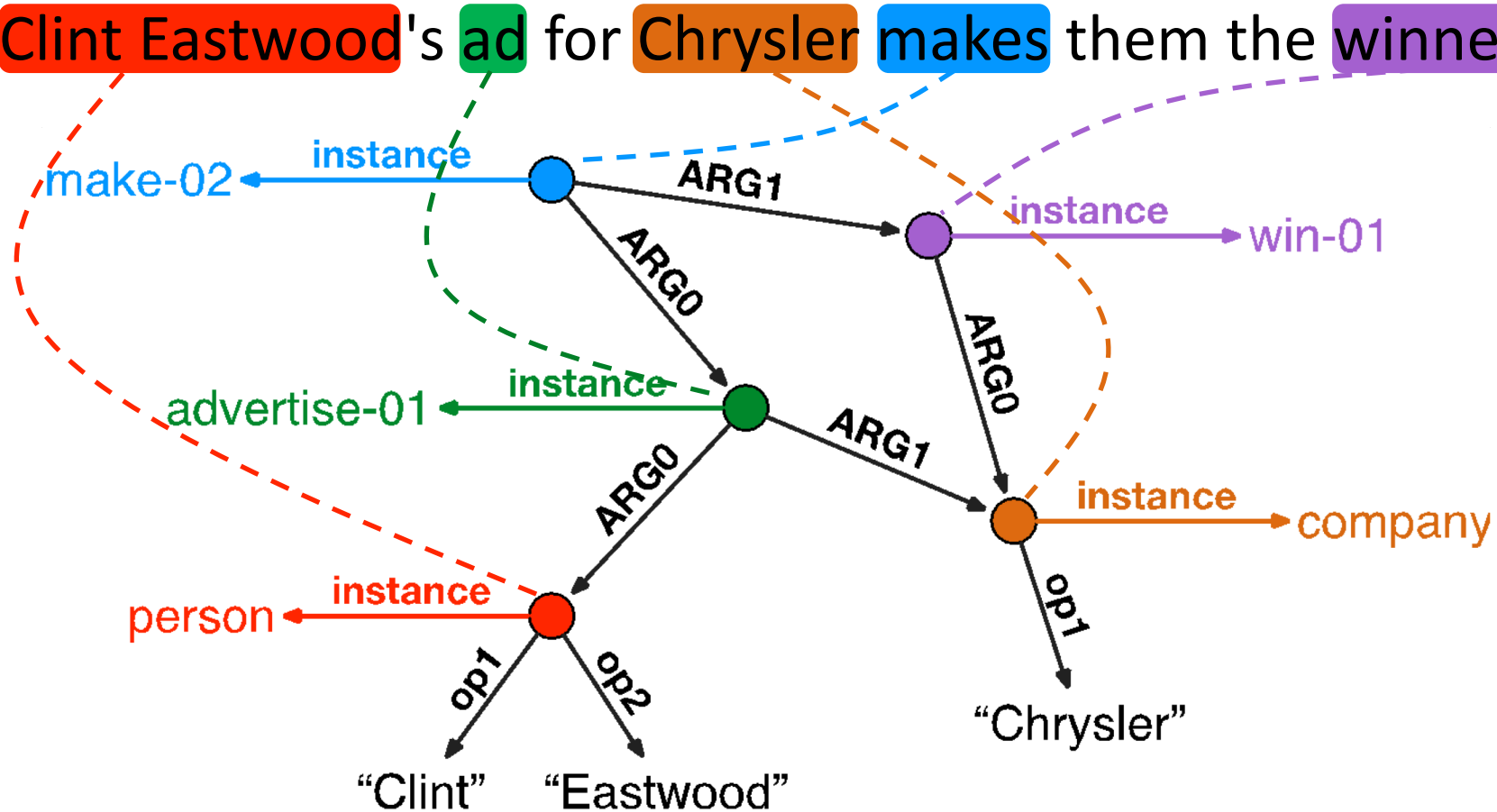
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Challenge #2: Lack of Alignment

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Challenge #3: Limited Labeled Data

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AMR 2.0 (LDC2017T10)

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WMT18 en-zh

- ▶ ~22M training / 10k development / 2k test pairs



Three Challenges in AMR Parsing

- 1) **Reentrancy**
- 2) **Lack of Alignment**
- 3) **Limited Data**

Is there a way to 1) **explicitly resolve reentrancy**,
2) **eliminate requirement for alignment**, and
3) **efficiently achieve SOTA w/ limited data**?

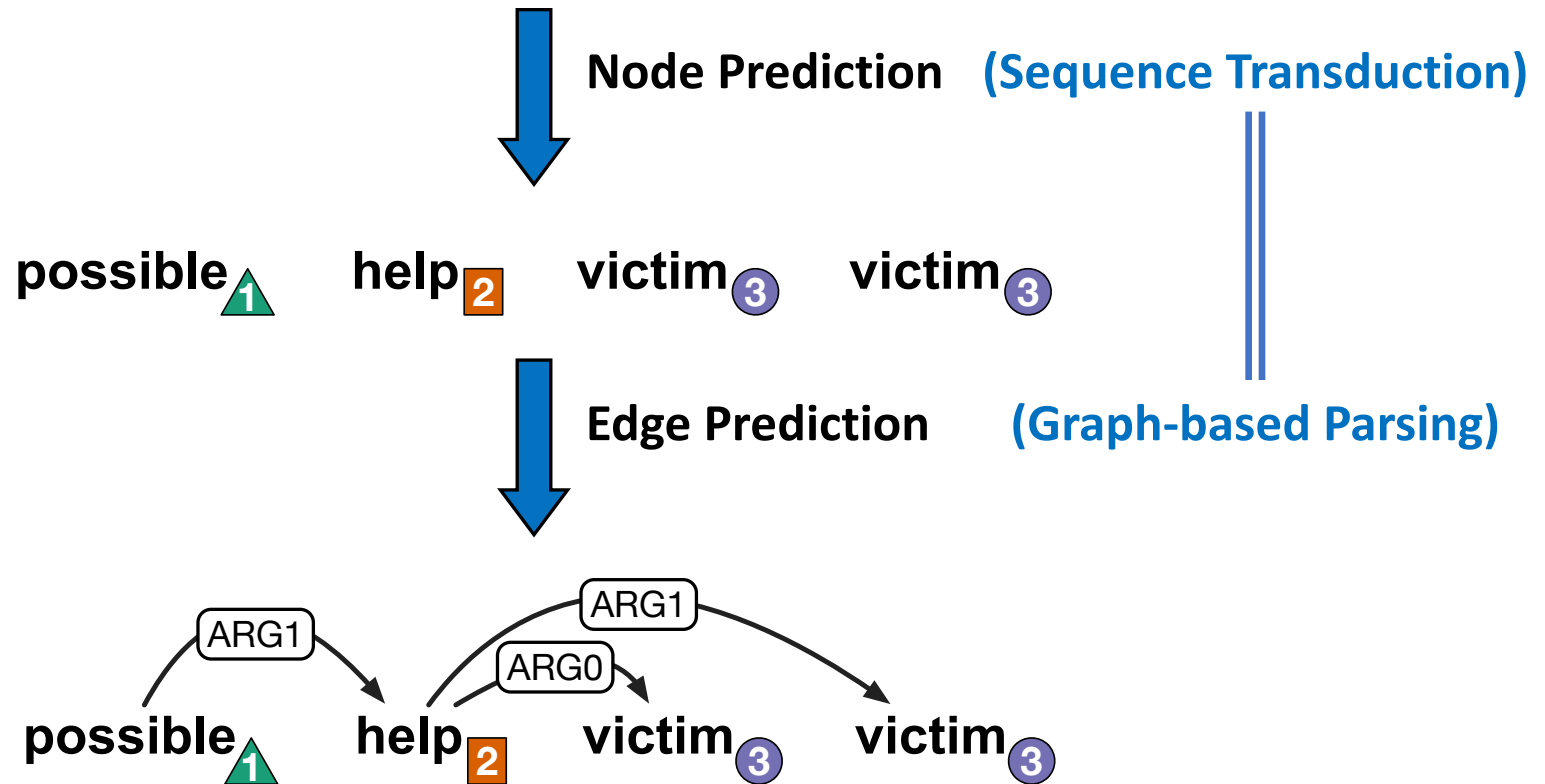


AMR Parsing as Sequence-to-Graph Transduction

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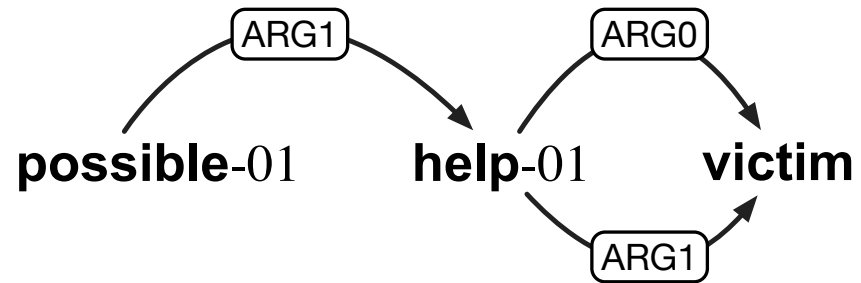
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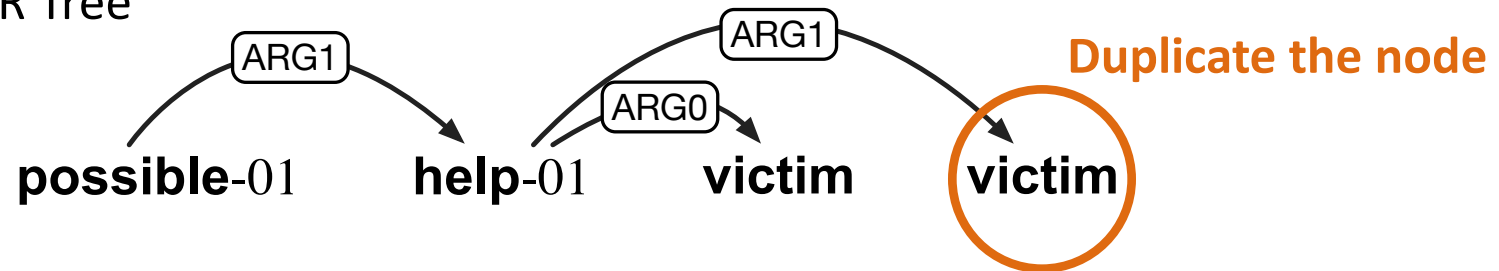


Another View of Reentrancy

AMR Graph

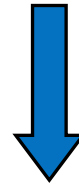
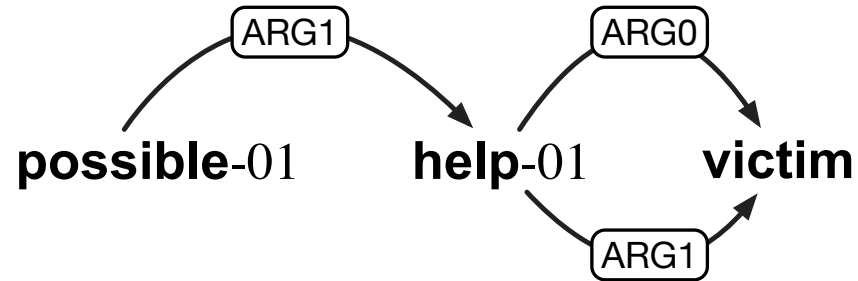


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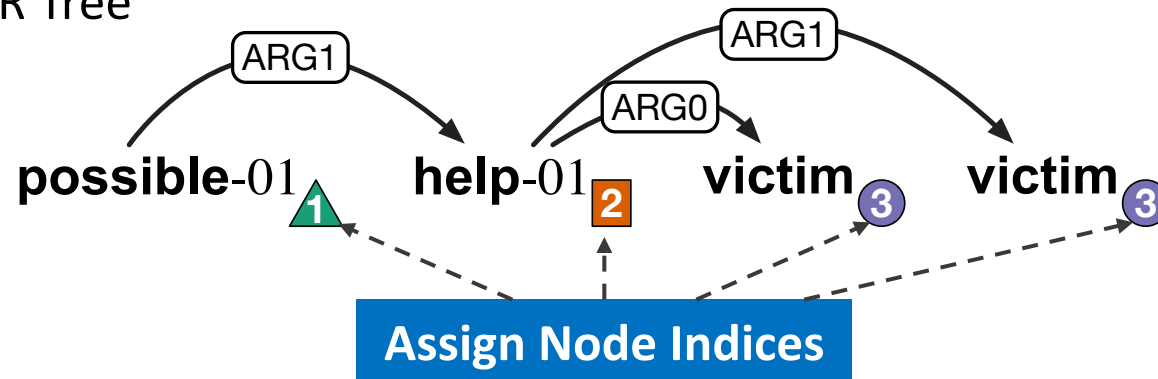


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Our Approach in a Nutshell

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- ~~2) Aligners~~
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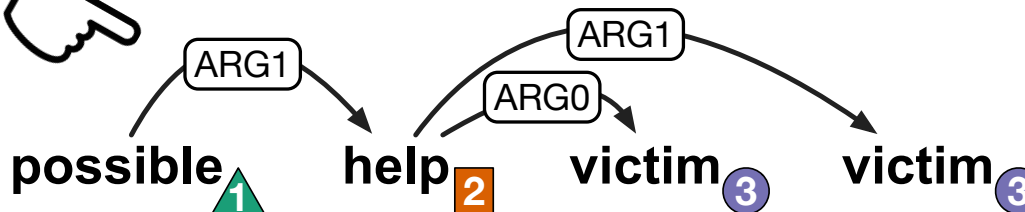
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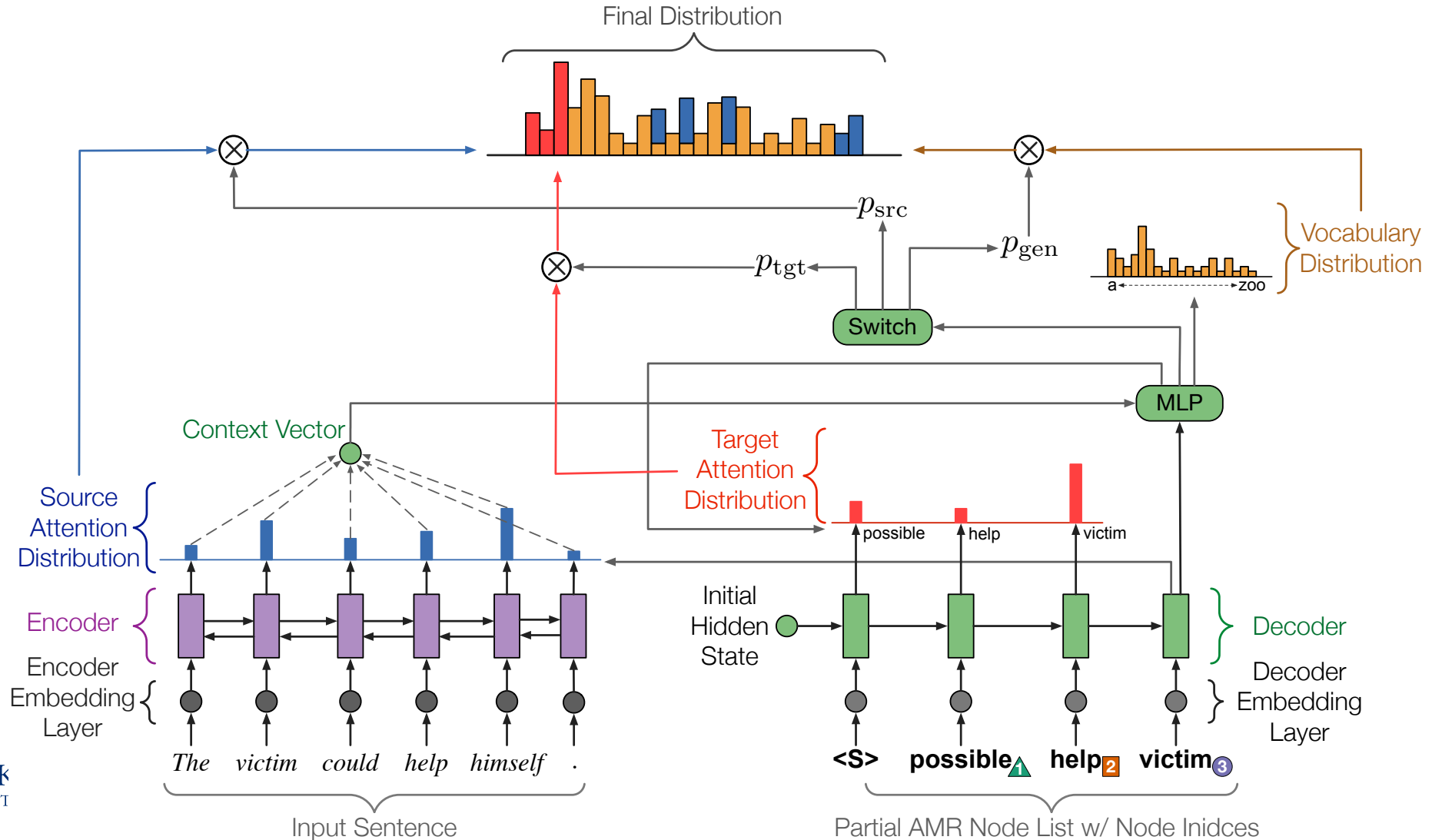
possible¹ help² victim³ victim³

Edge Prediction

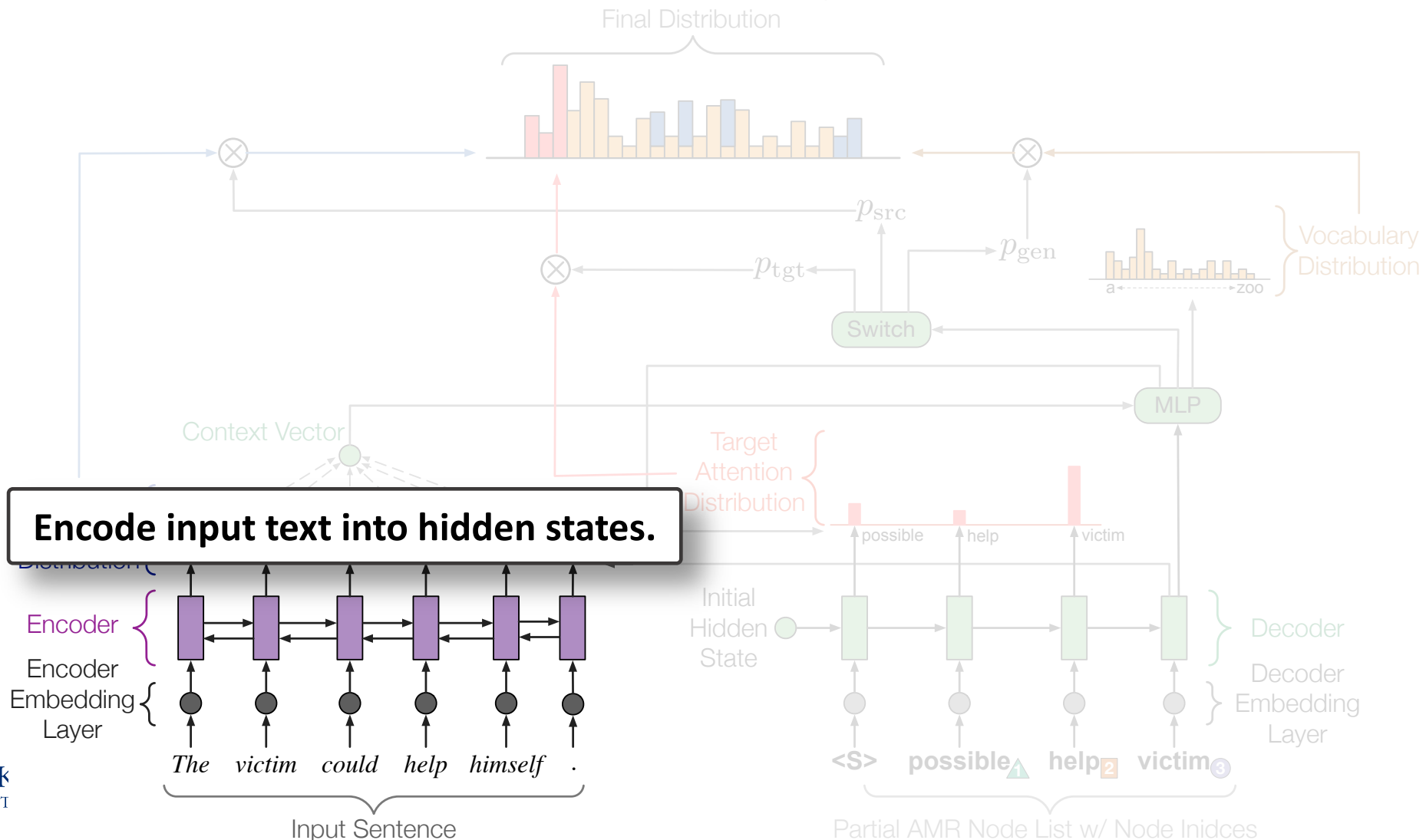
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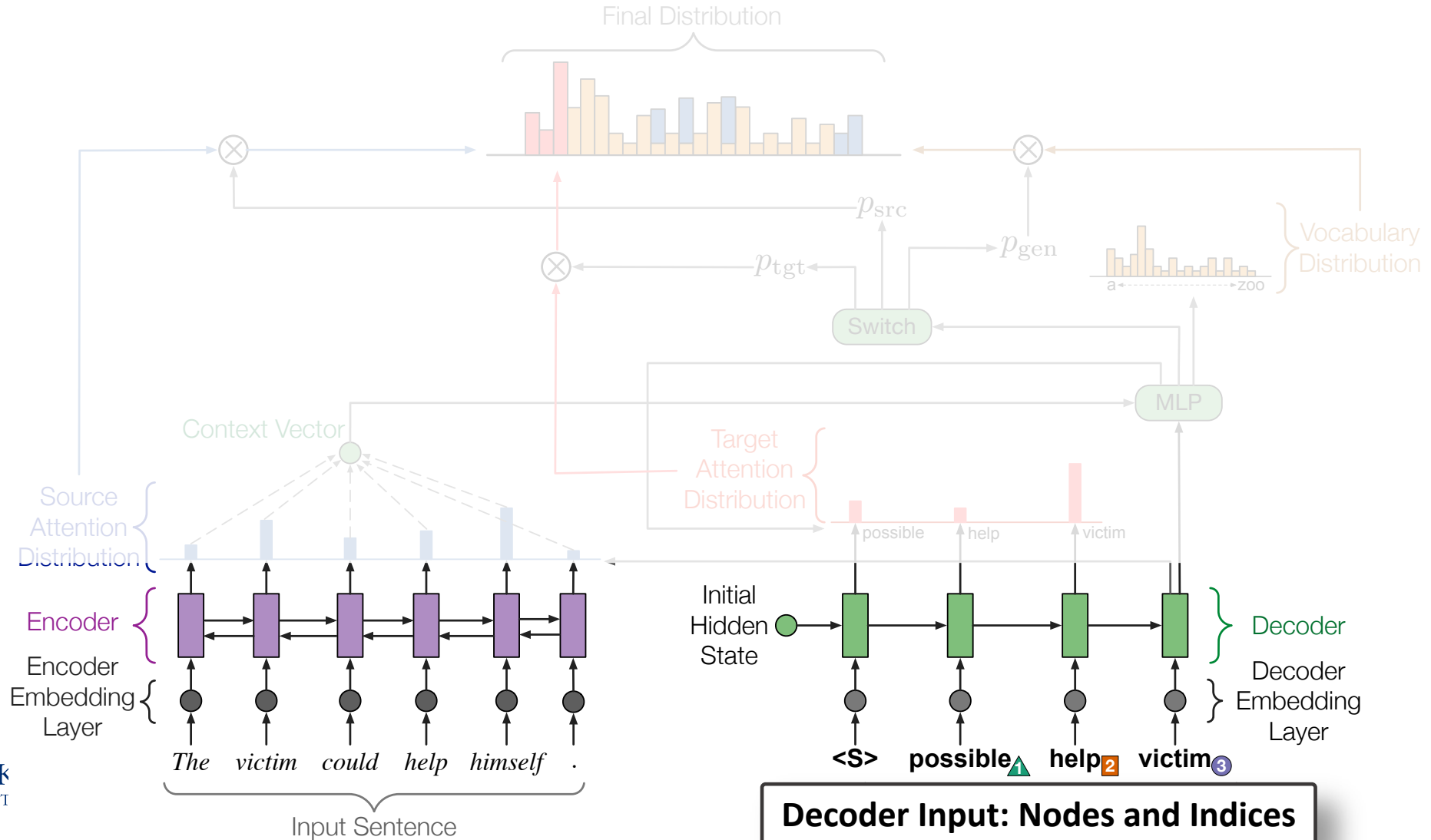
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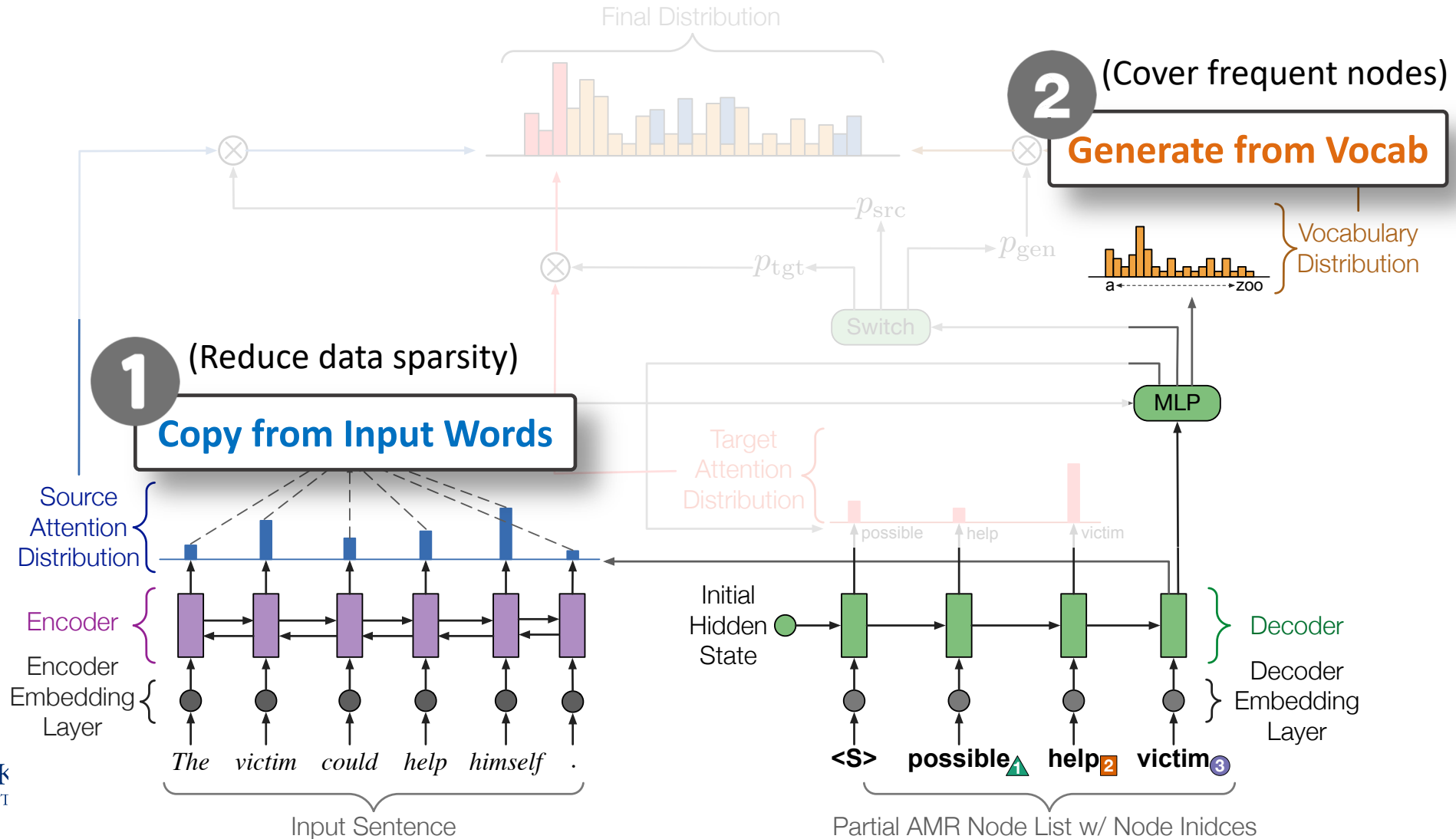
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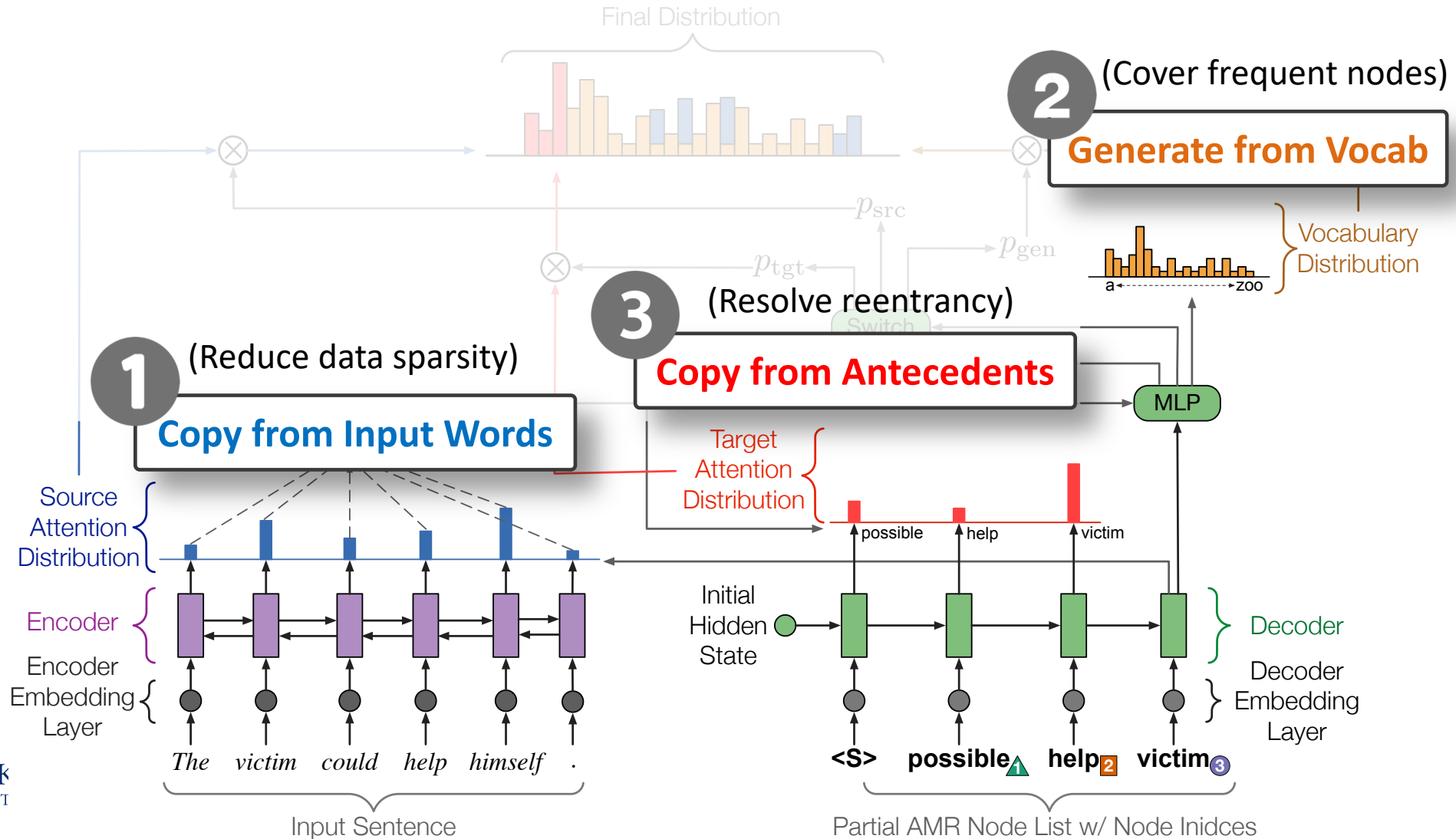
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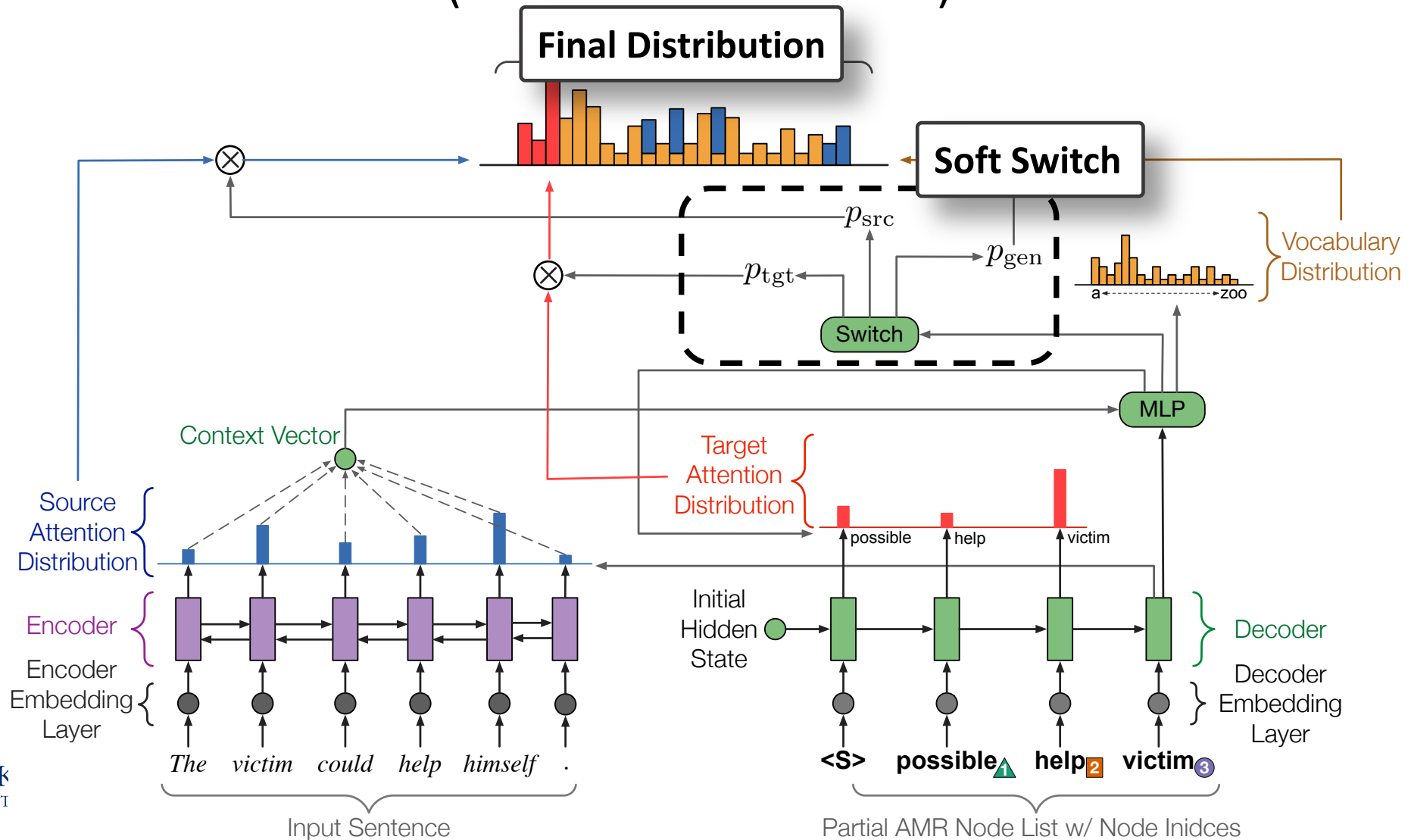
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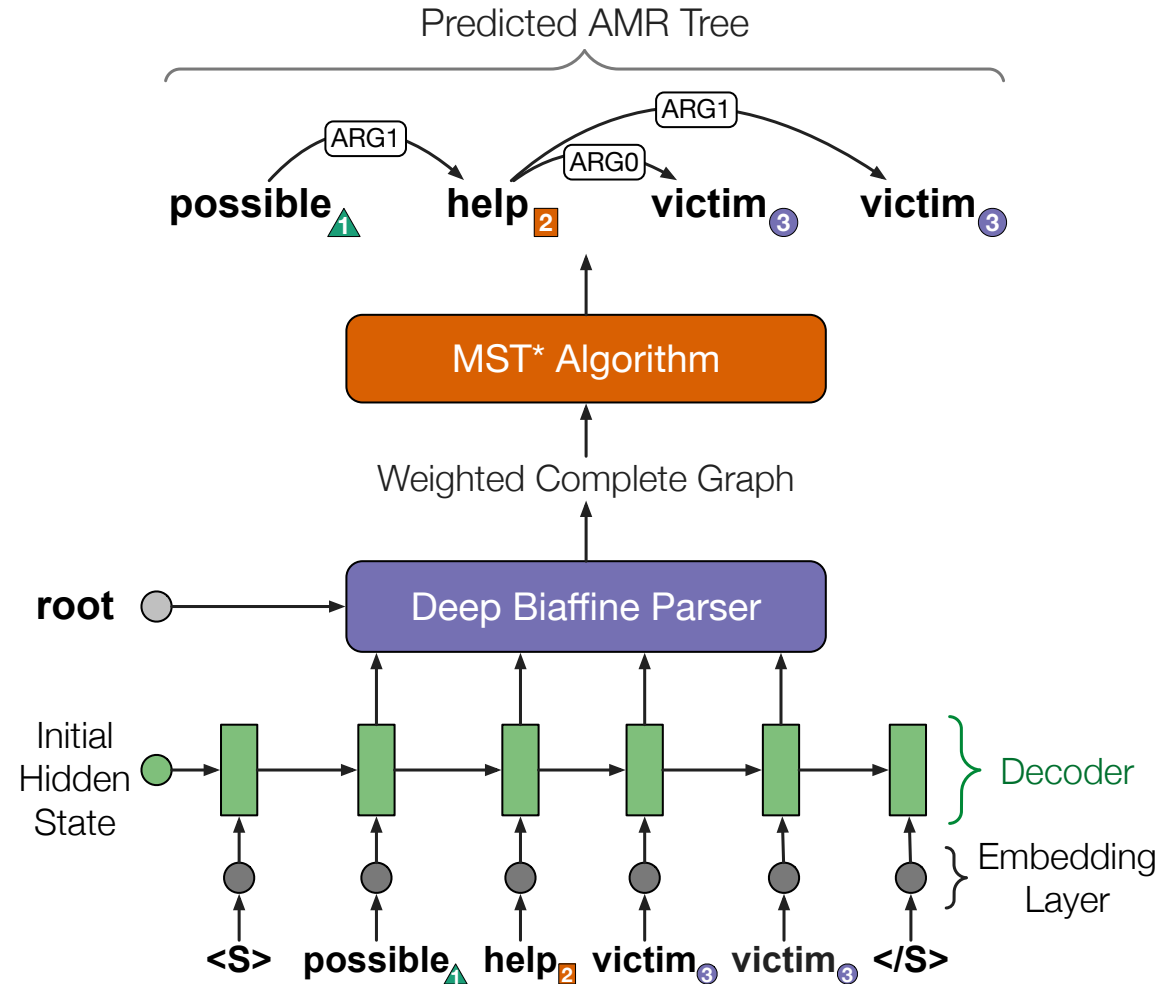
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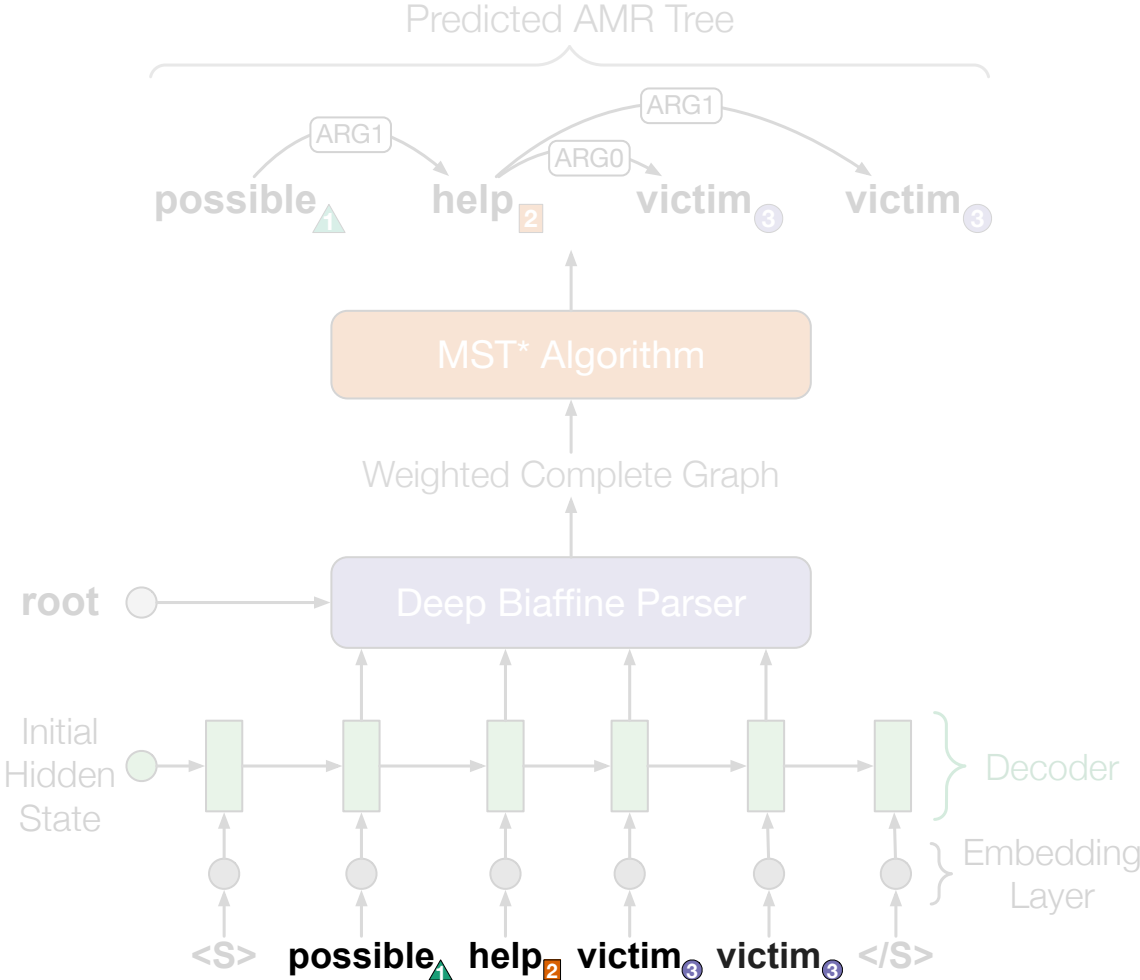
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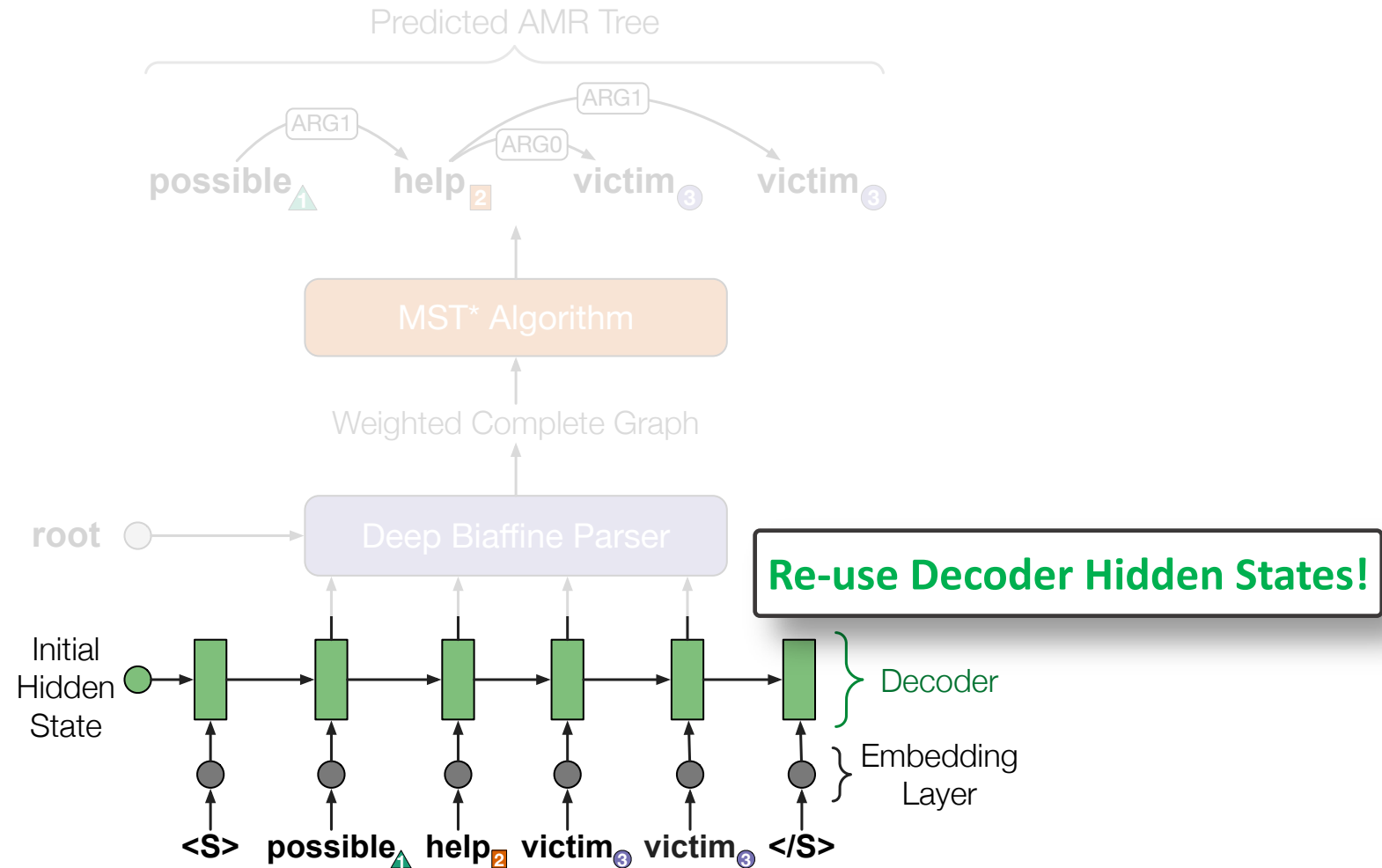
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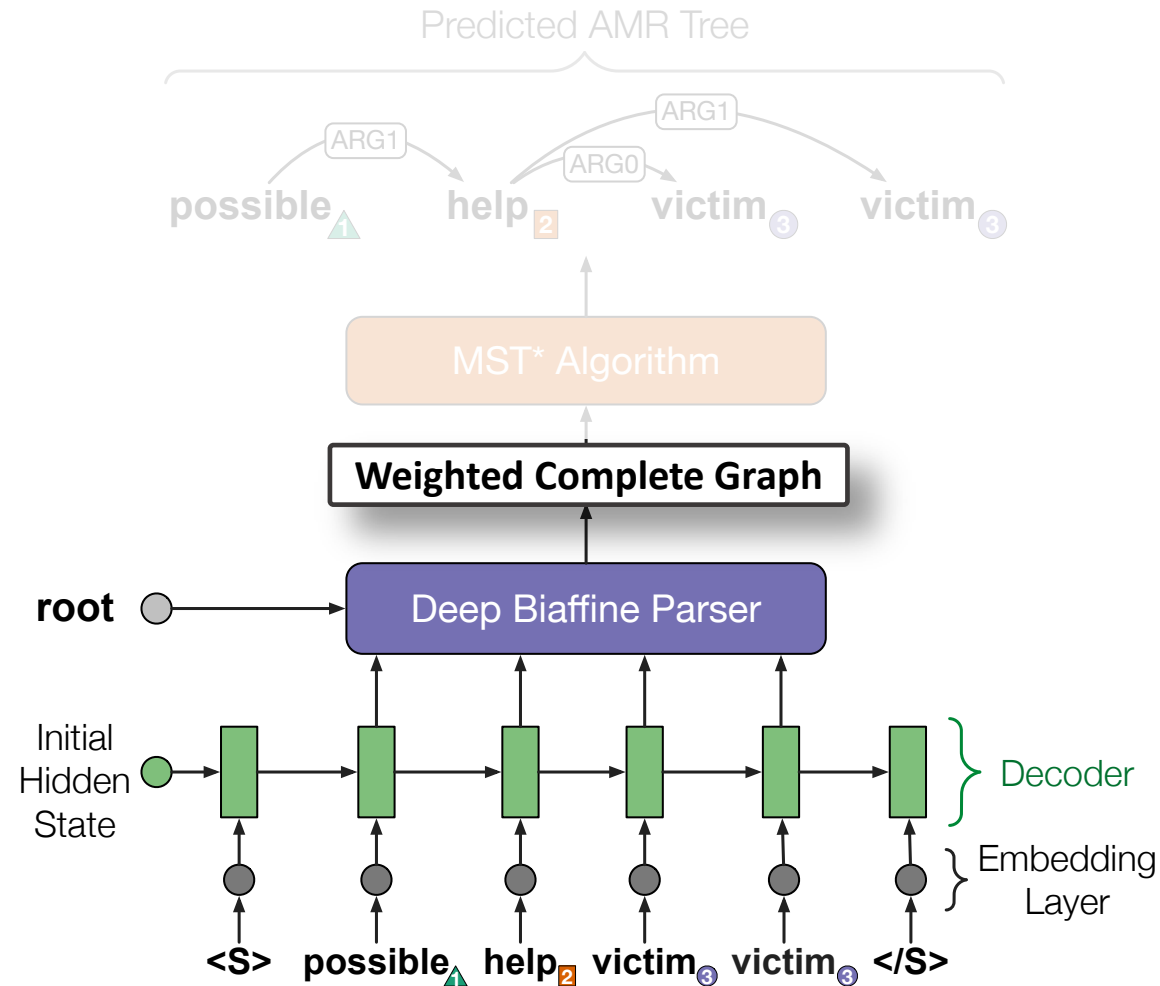
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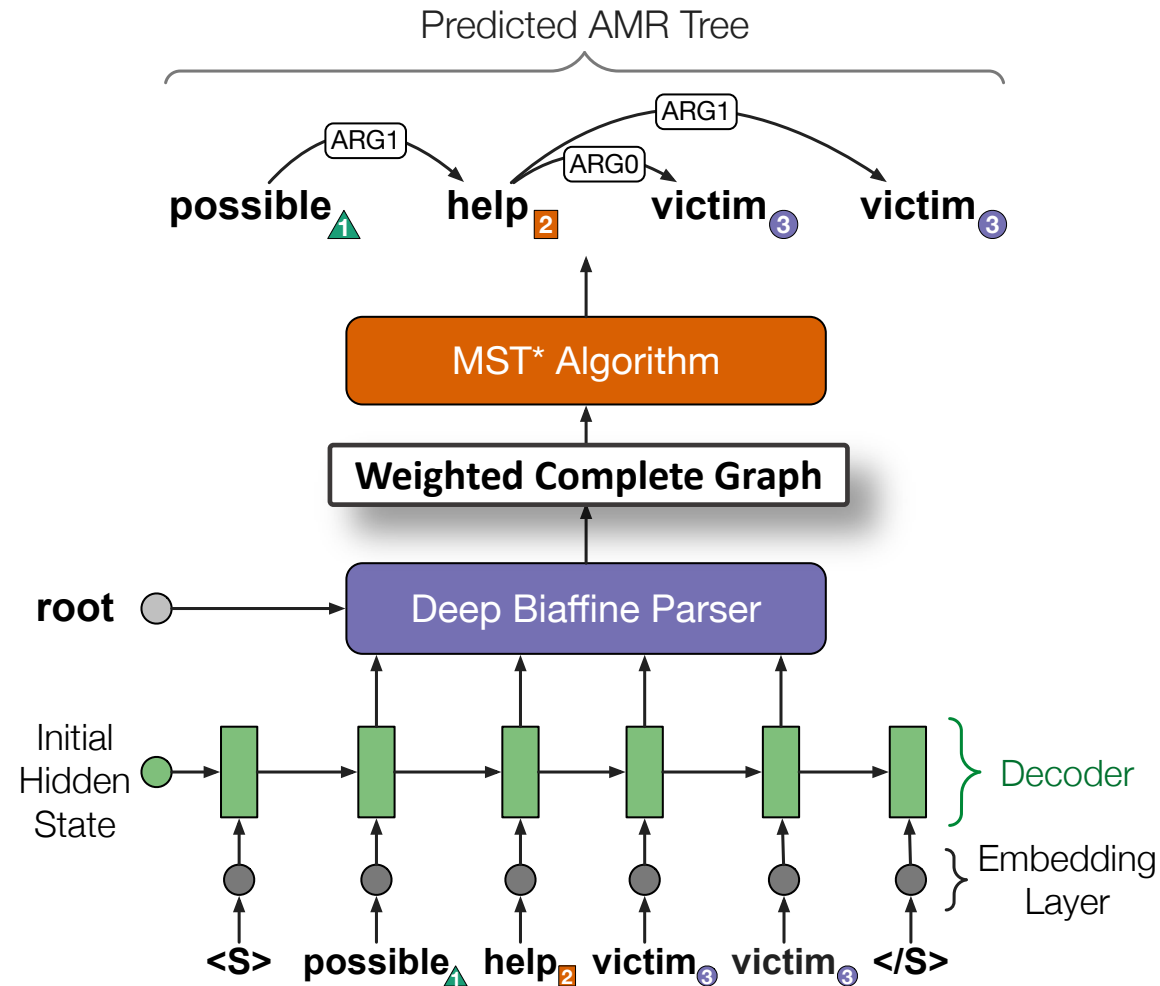
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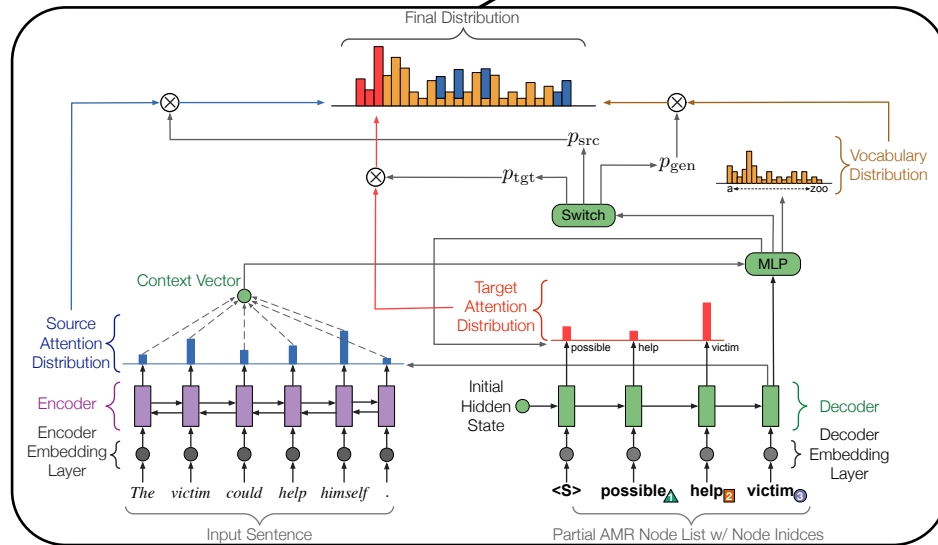


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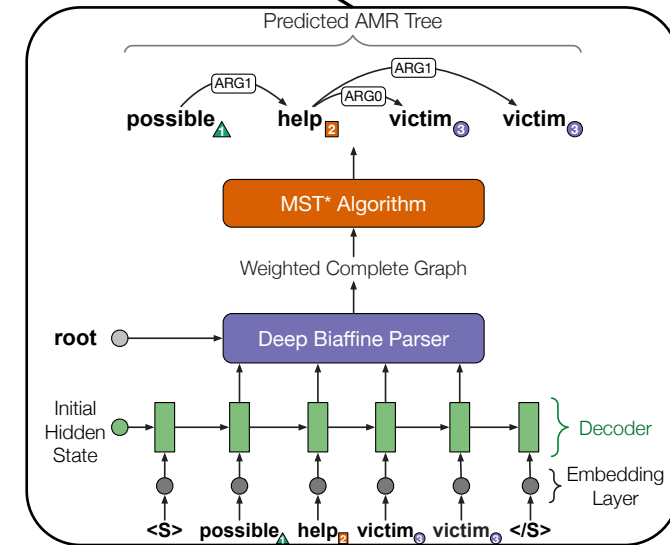


Multi-task Learning

$$\mathcal{L} = \mathcal{L}_{\text{node}} + \lambda \mathcal{L}_{\text{edge}}$$



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Experiments

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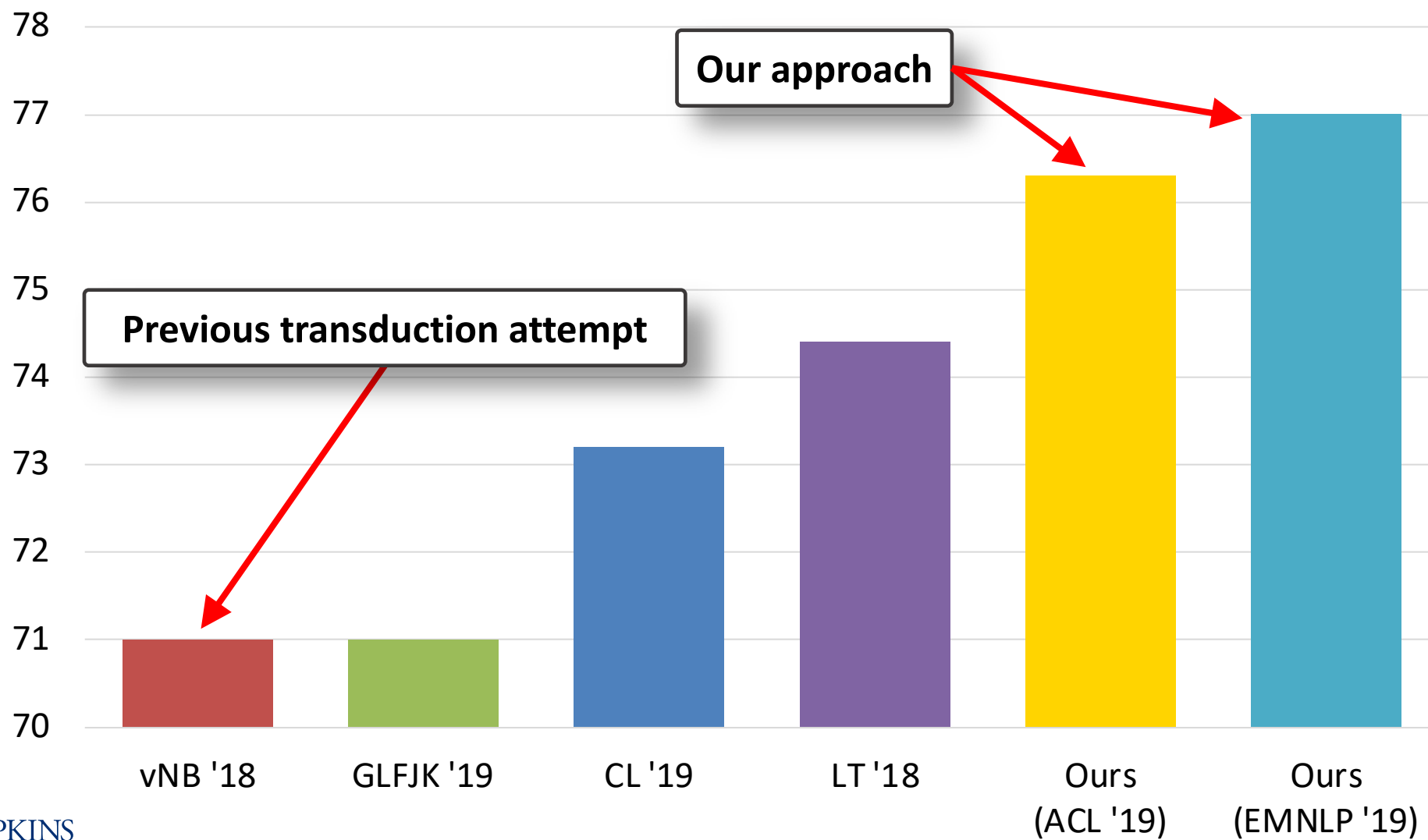
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Metrics

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- ▶ Fine-grained F-score (Damonte et al., 2017)

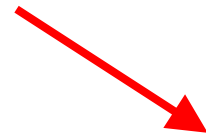
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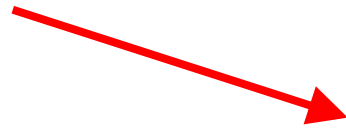
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Negation

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Unlabeled	74	74	77	79.0 \pm 0.1
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Reentrancies	52	49	52	60.0 \pm 0.1
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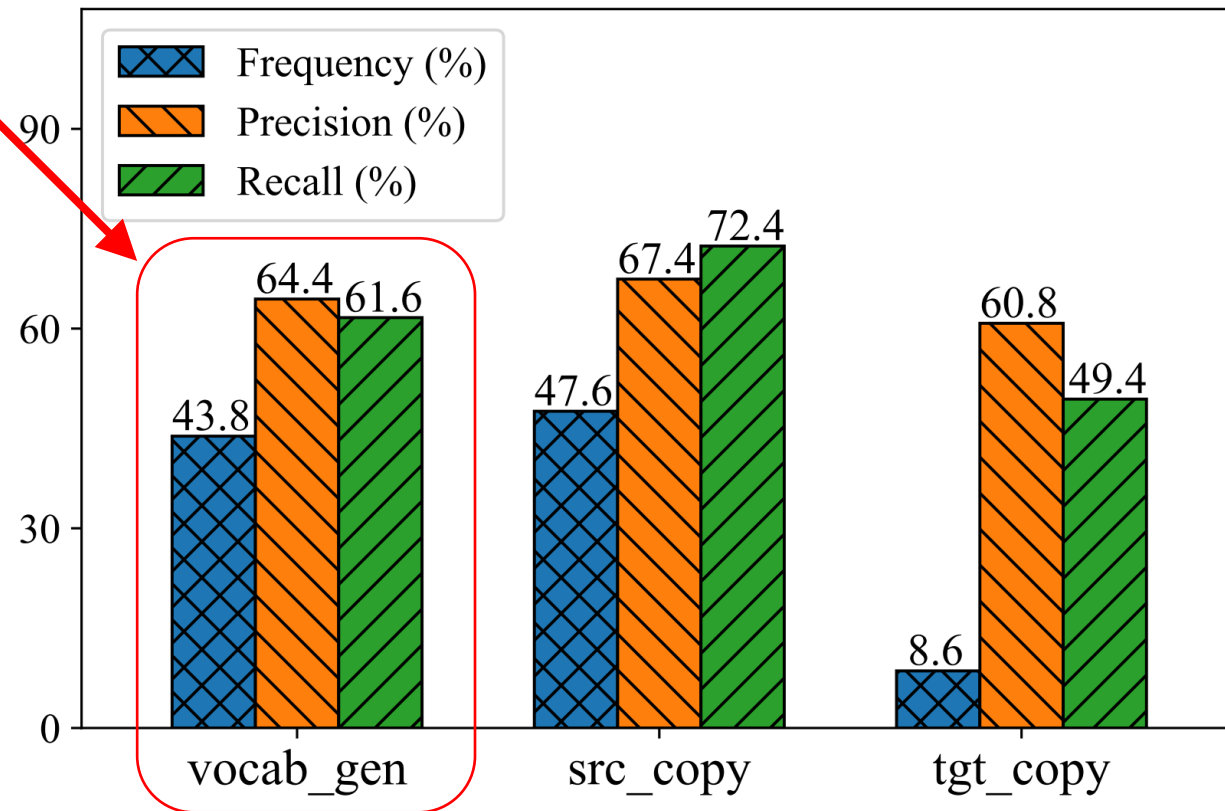
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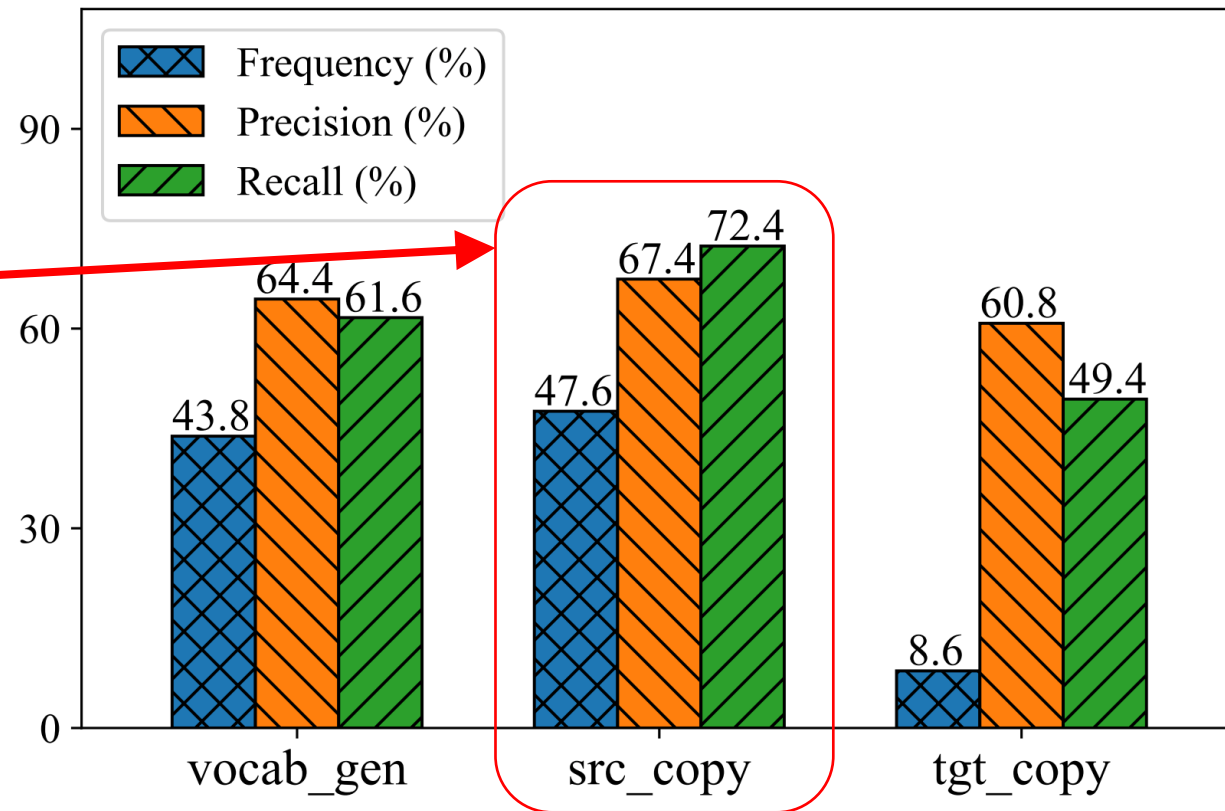
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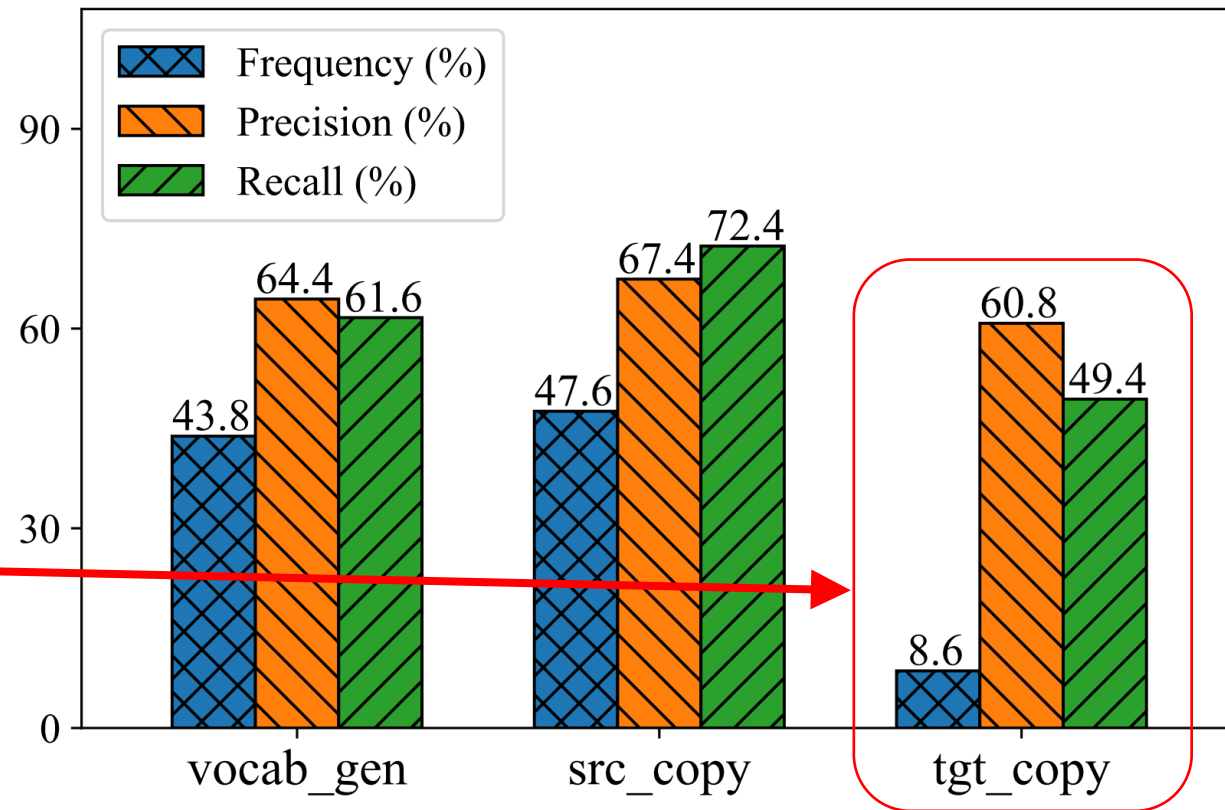


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Code Released!

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Model	Smatch	Paper / Source
Two-stage Sequence-to-Graph Transducer (Zhang et al., 2019)♥	76.3	AMR Parsing as Sequence-to-Graph Transduction
Rewarding Smatch: Transition-Based AMR	75.5	Rewarding Smatch: Transition-Based

The repository page also shows a commit history with the following entries:

- sheng-z Update requirements.txt (Latest commit 21adc84 on Aug 23)
- params: Release the code. (4 months ago)
- scripts: Rename the preprocessing script. (3 months ago)
- stog: Release the code. (4 months ago)
- LICENSE: Add License. (4 months ago)
- README.md: Update README.md (3 months ago)
- requirements.txt: Update requirements.txt (2 months ago)

The README.md content includes the title 'AMR Parsing as Sequence-to-Graph Transduction' and a note: 'Code for the AMR Parser in our ACL 2019 paper "AMR Parsing as Sequence-to-Graph Transduction".'