

XAI and Knowledge Graphs

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Revisit Pain Points

1. Organization of commonsense knowledge
 1. Top-down vs bottom-up - what is the sweet spot?
 2. Linguistic flexibility vs semantic expressivity
2. Flexible generalization with little data
 1. Reasoning by analogy seems promising
 2. Difficult and we don't seem to have the right knowledge in the right form
3. Realistic evaluation tasks and datasets
 1. We tend to hack the tasks, and the language models are an excellent helper for it
 2. Embodied, multi-modal, explainable, open-ended tasks are all great efforts
 3. How to evaluate them at scale is not obvious

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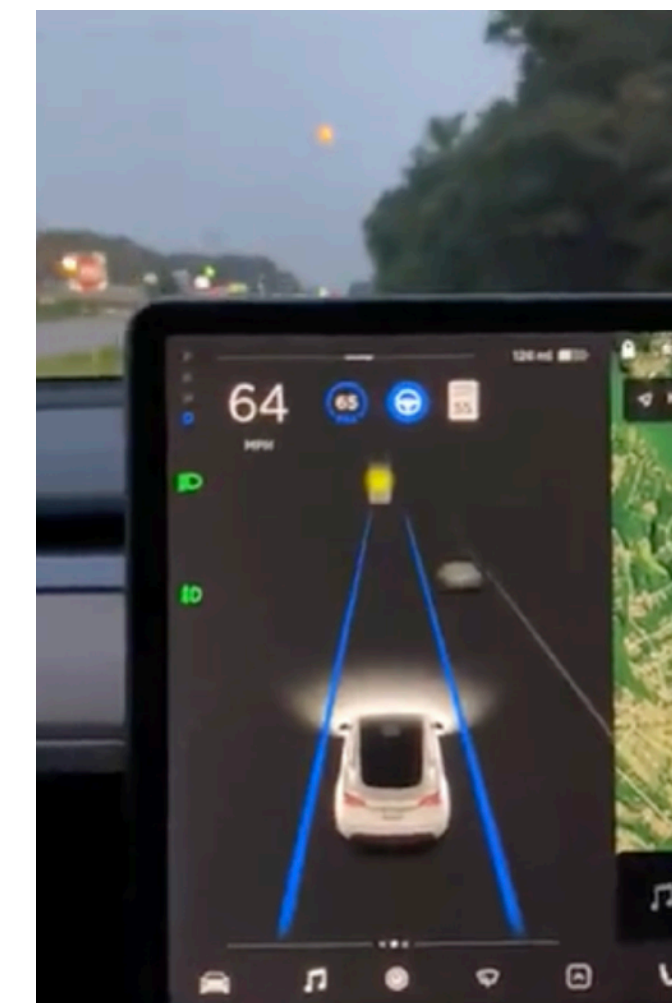
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Open Challenges: Articulate systems by design.

Question: How to develop self-explaining architectures that intelligently use facts and knowledge from KGs

Autonomous Vehicles Lack Common Sense



Predictive Inequity in Object Detection

Benjamin Wilson¹ Judy Hoffman¹ Jamie Morgenstern¹

Autonomous Vehicle Solutions are at Two Extremes

Very comfortable



Serious safety lapses led to Uber's fatal self-driving crash, new documents suggest

Comfort

Problem: Need better common sense and reasoning

Not comfortable

My Herky-Jerky Ride in General Motors' Ultra-Cautious Self Driving Car

GM and Cruise are testing vehicles in a chaotic city, and the tech still has a ways to go.



Not cautious

Cautious

Very cautious

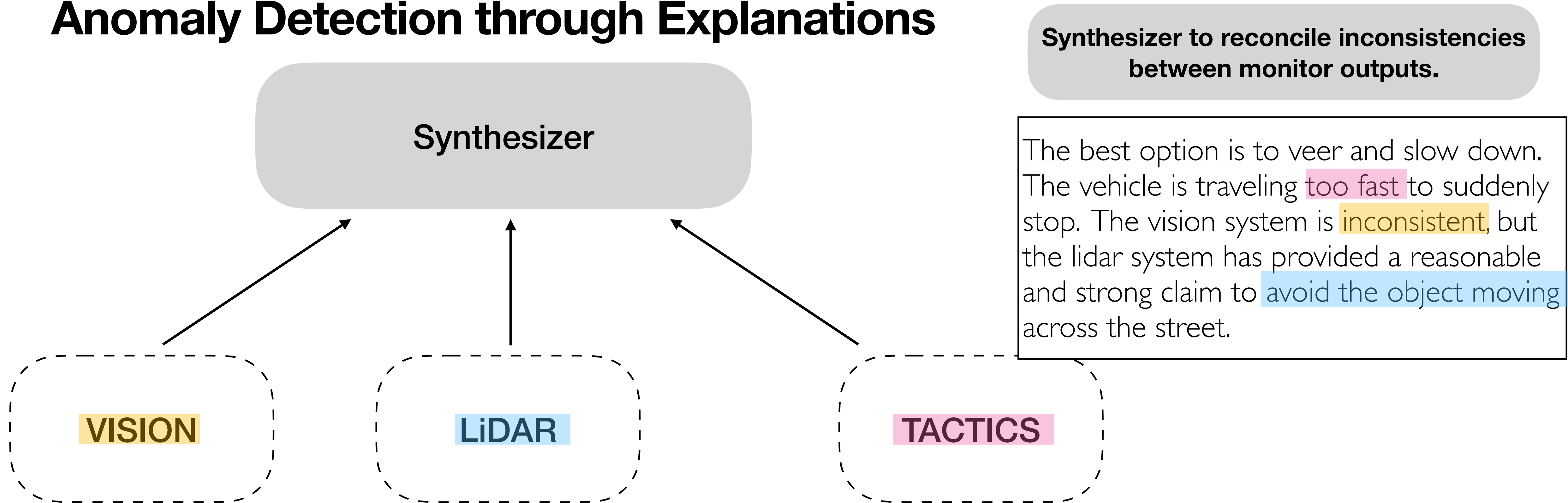
An Existing Problem

The Uber Accident



Solution: Internal Communication

Anomaly Detection through Explanations



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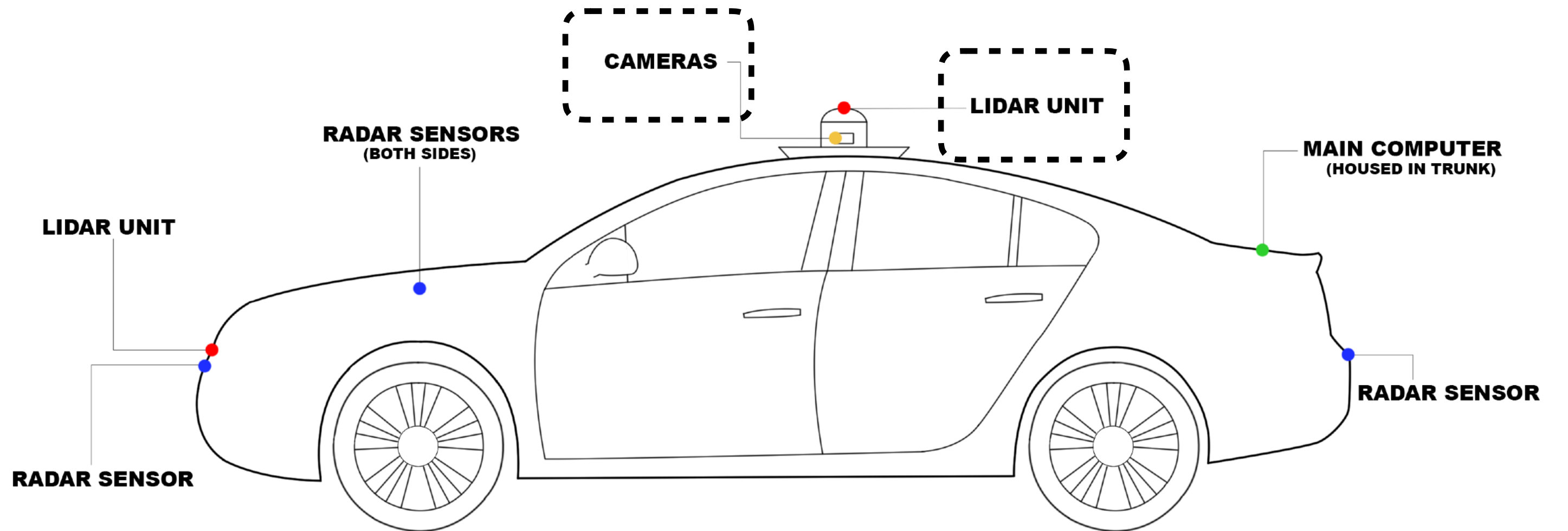
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Complex Systems Fail in Two Ways



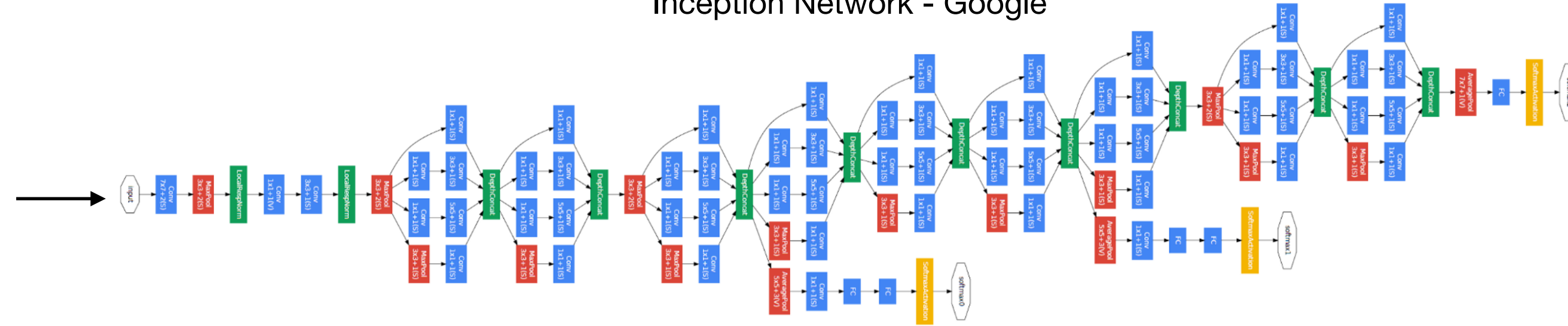
1. Failure *local* to a specific subsystem.
2. A failed *cooperation* amongst subsystems.



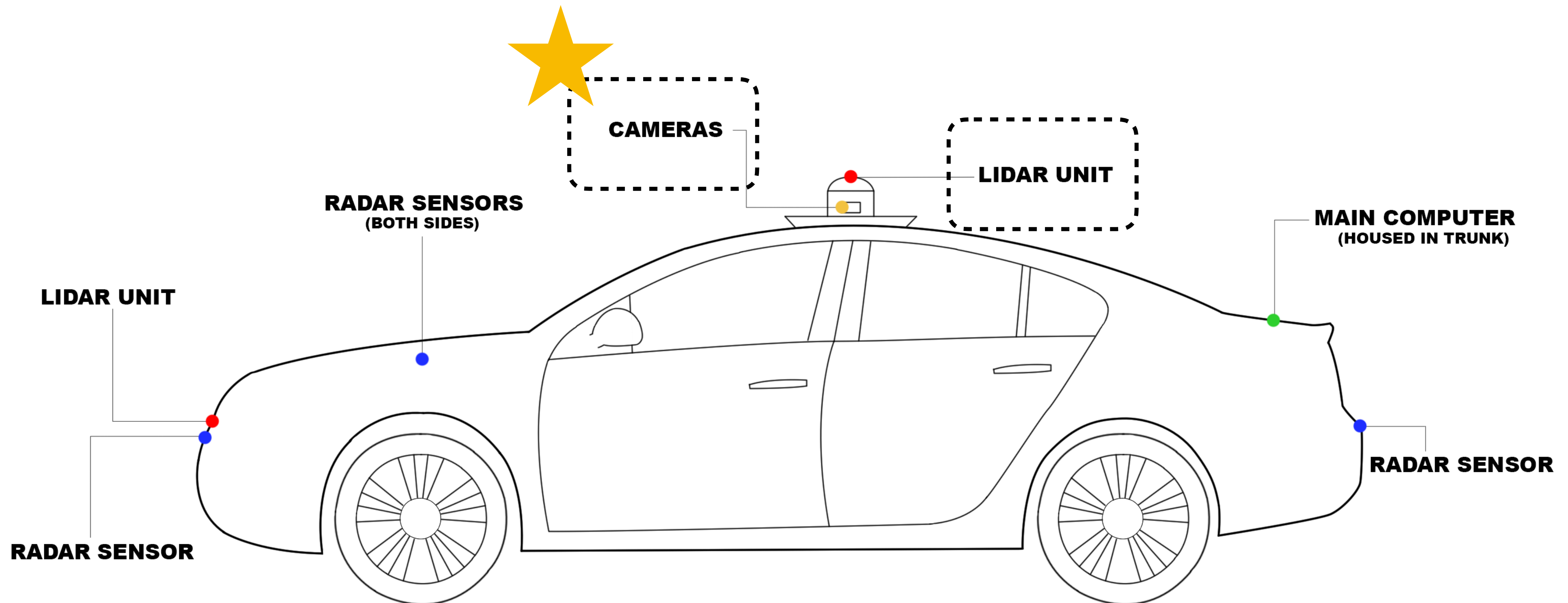
A Neural Network Labels Camera Data



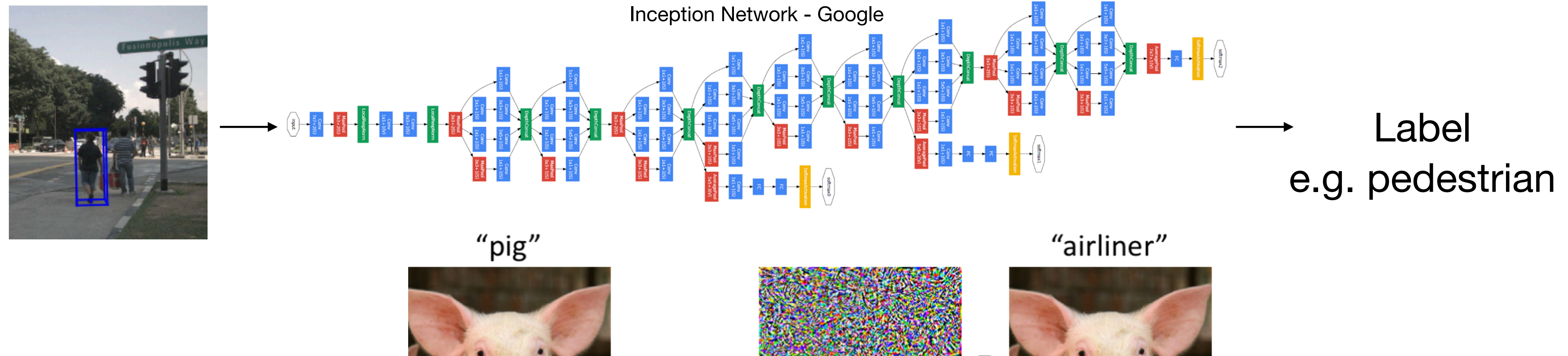
Inception Network - Google



→ Label
e.g. pedestrian



Problem: Neural Networks are Brittle



For self-driving, and other mission-critical, safety-critical applications, these mistakes have CONSEQUENCES.



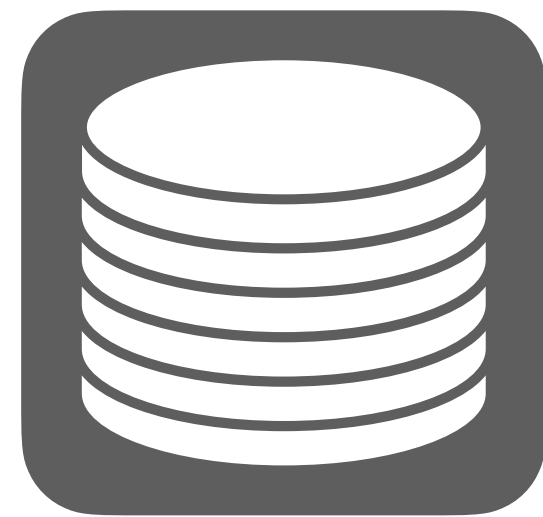
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Monitor Opaque Subsystems for Reasonableness



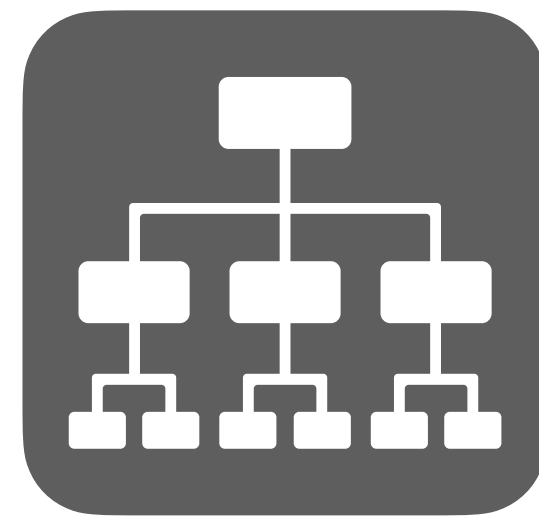

Label
e.g. pedestrian

Opaque
Mechanism



Commonsense
Knowledge Base

+



Flexible
Representation

+



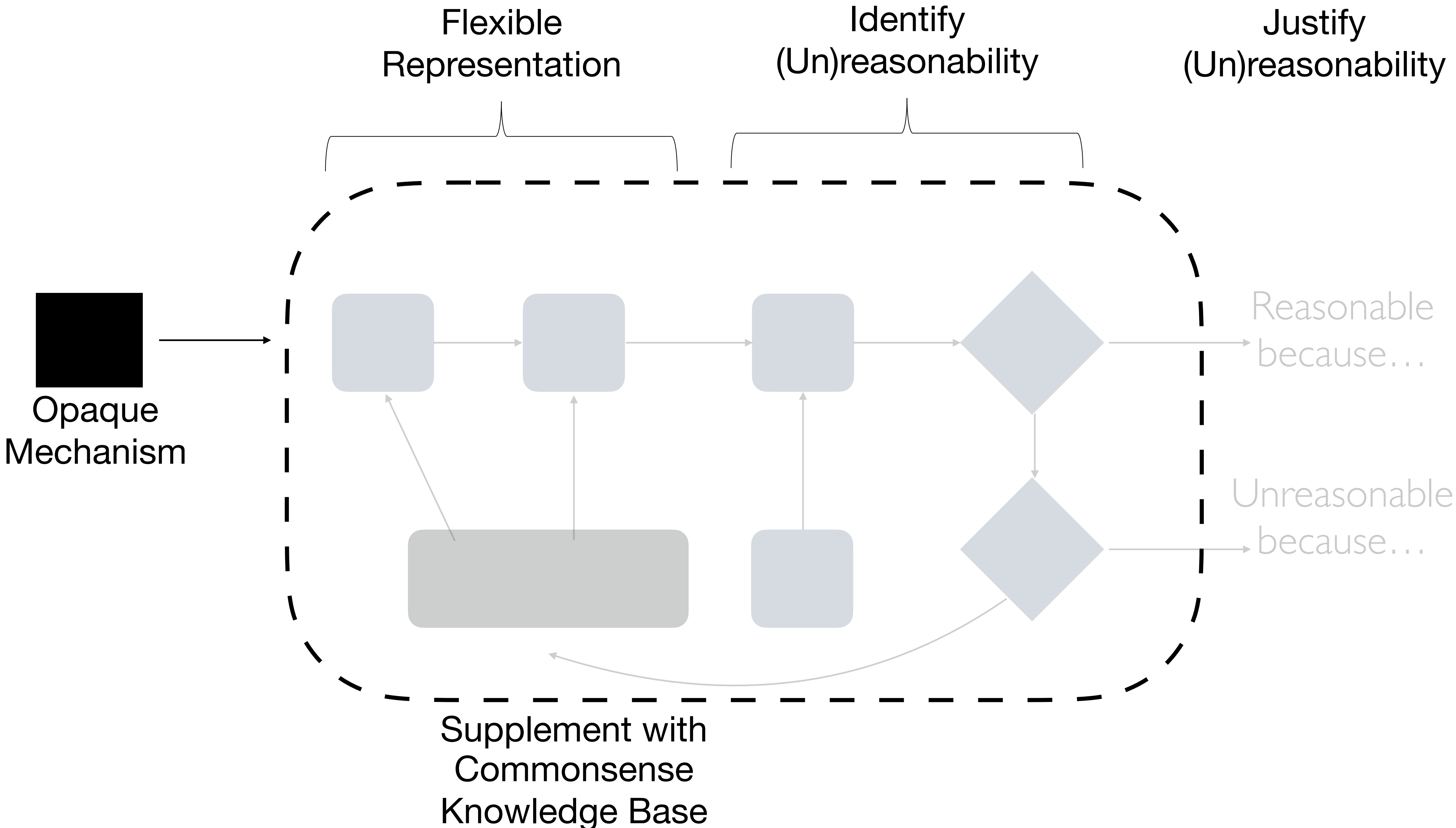
Identify
(Un)reasonability

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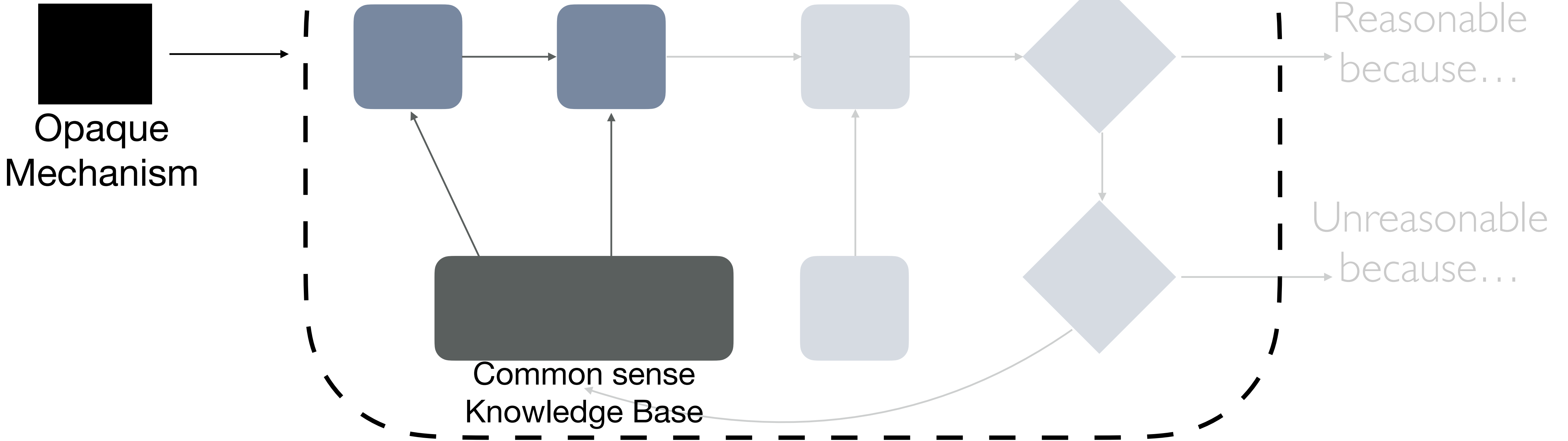


Justify
(Un)reasonability

1. Judgement of reasonableness
2. Justification of reasonableness



Flexible Representation



Primitive Representations

Encode Understanding

*Conceptual Dependency Theory
(CD), Schank 1975*

11 primitives to account for *most* actions:

ATRANS

ATTEND

INGEST

EXPEL

GRASP

MBUILD

MTRANS

MOVE

PROPEL

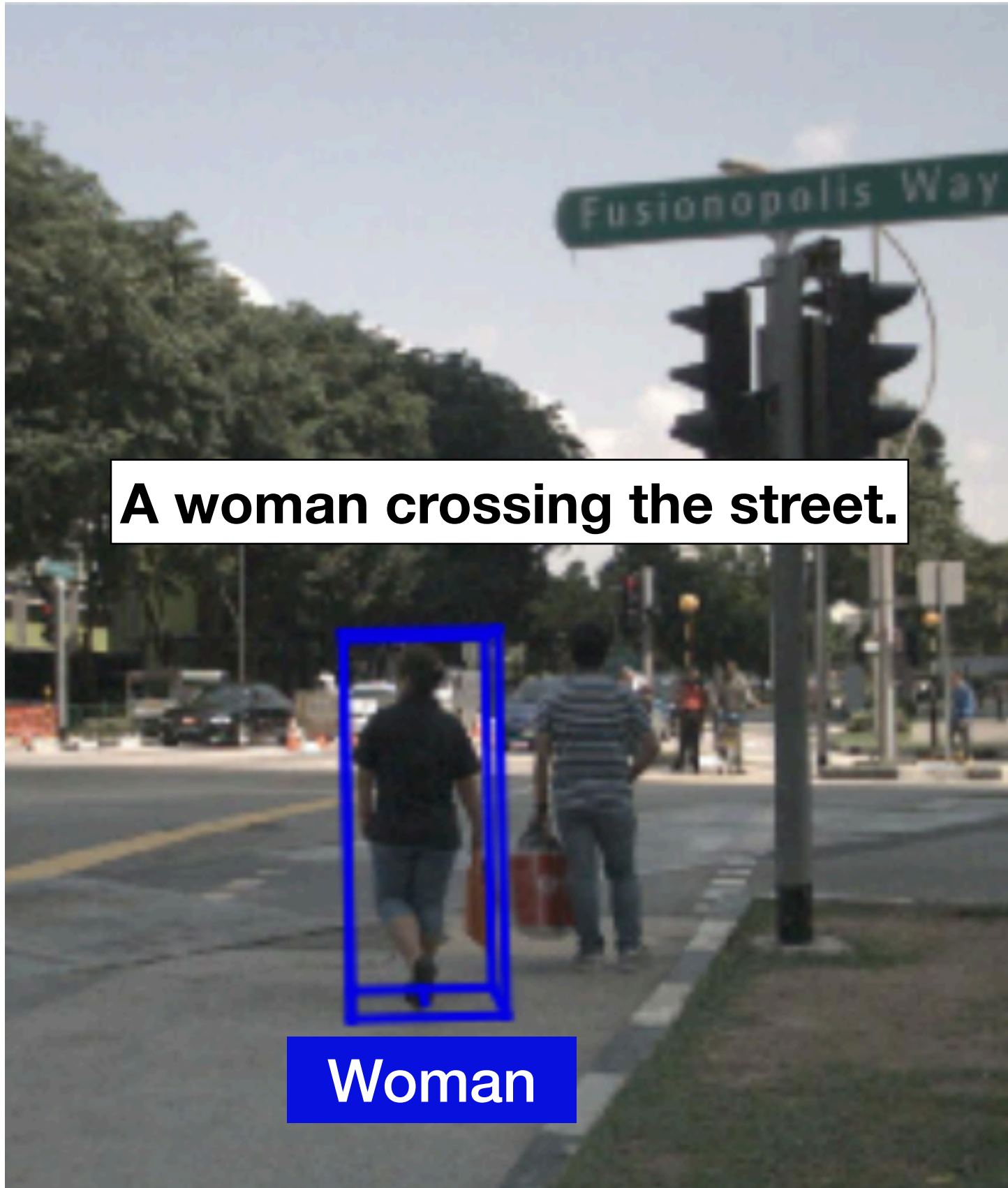
PTRANS

SPEAK

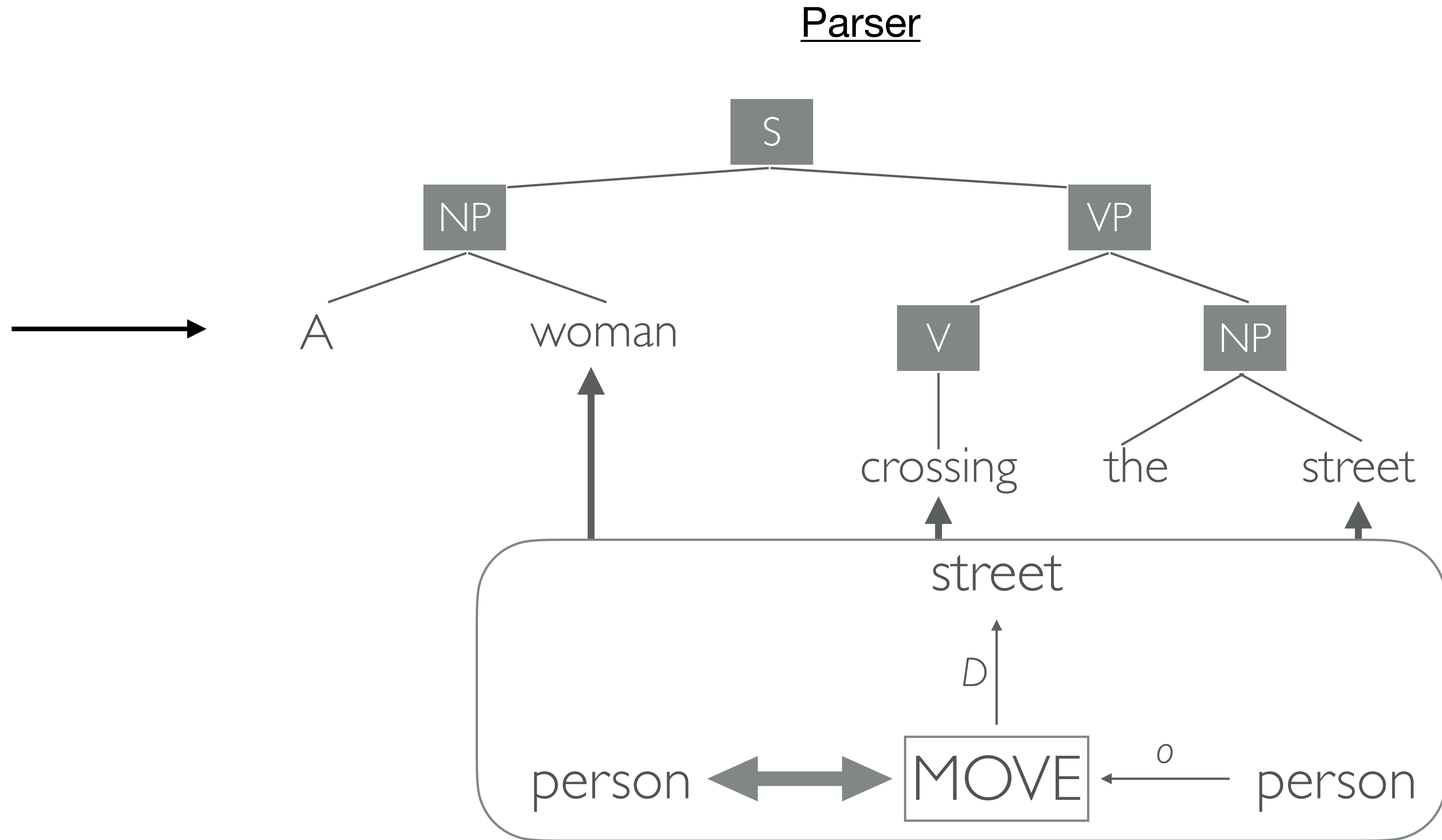
5 for physical actions

Extended to vehicle primitives

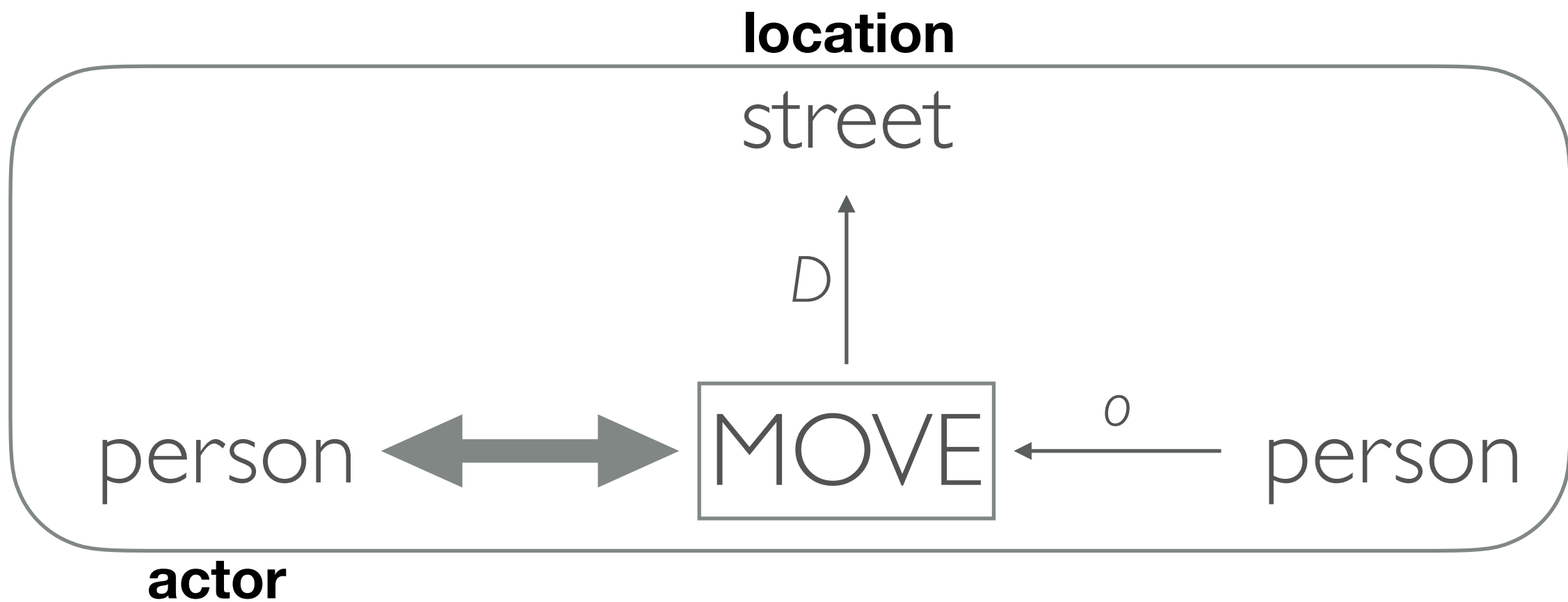
Parse Natural Language into Representation



Data from Nuscenes



Representations with Implicit Rules



A perceived frame is
REASONABLE

$$\begin{aligned}
 & ((x_1, p_1, y_1), \mathbf{isA, REASONABLE}) \wedge \\
 & ((x_2, p_2, y_2), \mathbf{isA, REASONABLE}) \wedge \\
 & \dots \wedge \\
 & ((x_n, p_n, y_n), \mathbf{isA, REASONABLE})
 \end{aligned}$$

Move Primitive Reasonability

$$(x, \mathit{hasProperty}, \mathit{animate}) \wedge (x, \mathit{locatedNear}, y) \Rightarrow ((x, \mathit{MOVE}, y) \mathbf{isA, REASONABLE})$$

actor
location

Implementing Reasonableness Monitors

For Real-world Error Detection

- End-to-end prototype
 - Machine perception
 - Represented with Schank conceptual dependency primitives.
- Generalized framework
 - Reusable web standards
 - Extended Schank representations

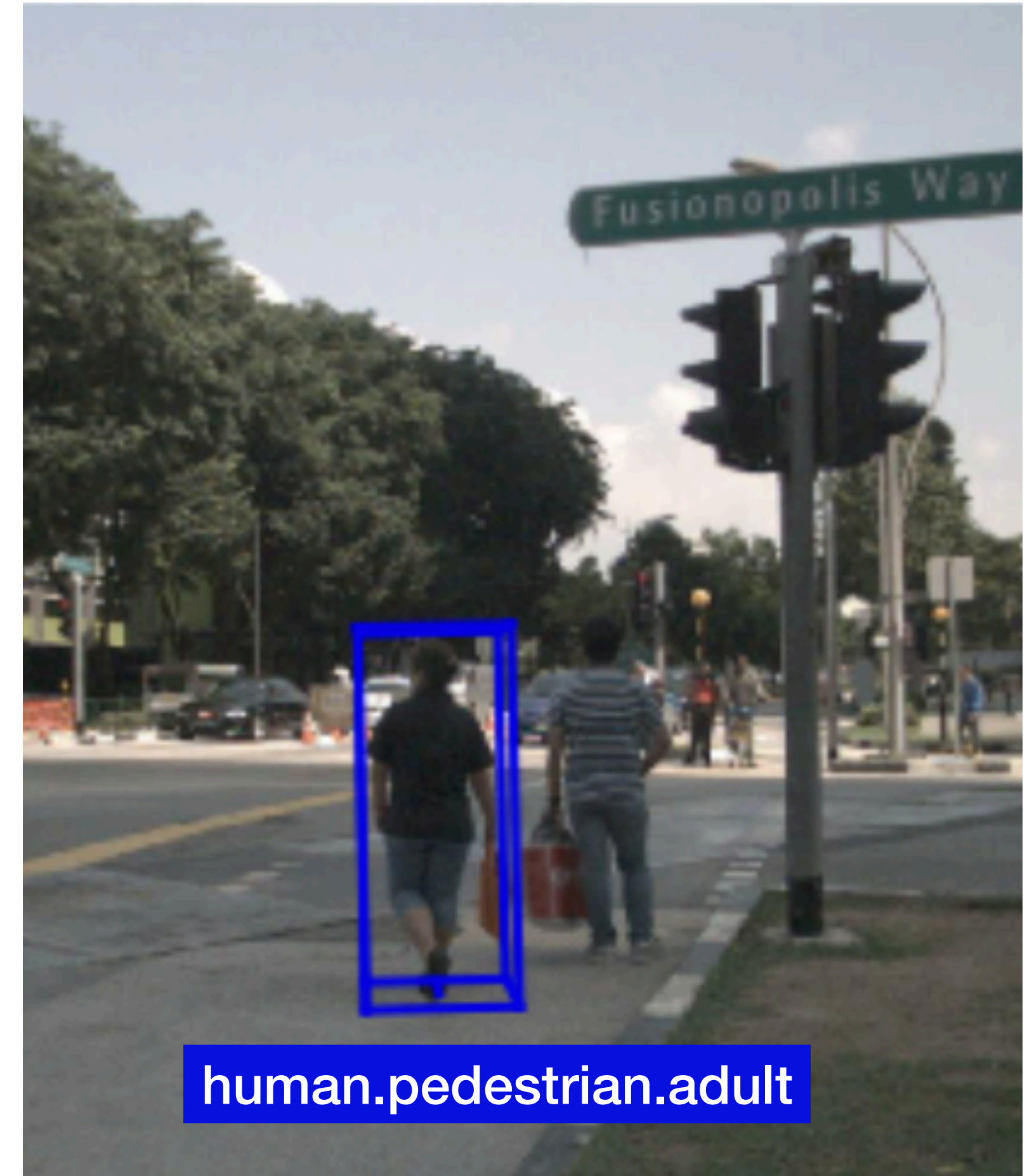
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Reasonableness Monitoring on Real Data

NuScenes

```
{'token': '70aecbe9b64f4722ab3c230391a3beb8',  
'sample_token': 'cd21dbfc3bd749c7b10a5c42562e0c42',  
'instance_token': '6dd2cbf4c24b4caeb625035869bca7b5',  
'visibility_token': '4',  
'attribute_tokens': ['4d8821270b4a47e3a8a300cbec48188e'],  
'translation': [373.214, 1130.48, 1.25],  
'size': [0.621, 0.669, 1.642],  
'rotation': [0.9831098797903927, 0.0, 0.0, -0.18301629506281616],  
'prev': 'a1721876c0944cdd92ebc3c75d55d693',  
'next': '1e8e35d365a441a18dd5503a0ee1c208',  
'num_lidar_pts': 5,  
'num_radar_pts': 0,  
'category_name': 'human.pedestrian.adult'}
```



Data from NuScenes

Commonsense is Unorganized

ConceptNet

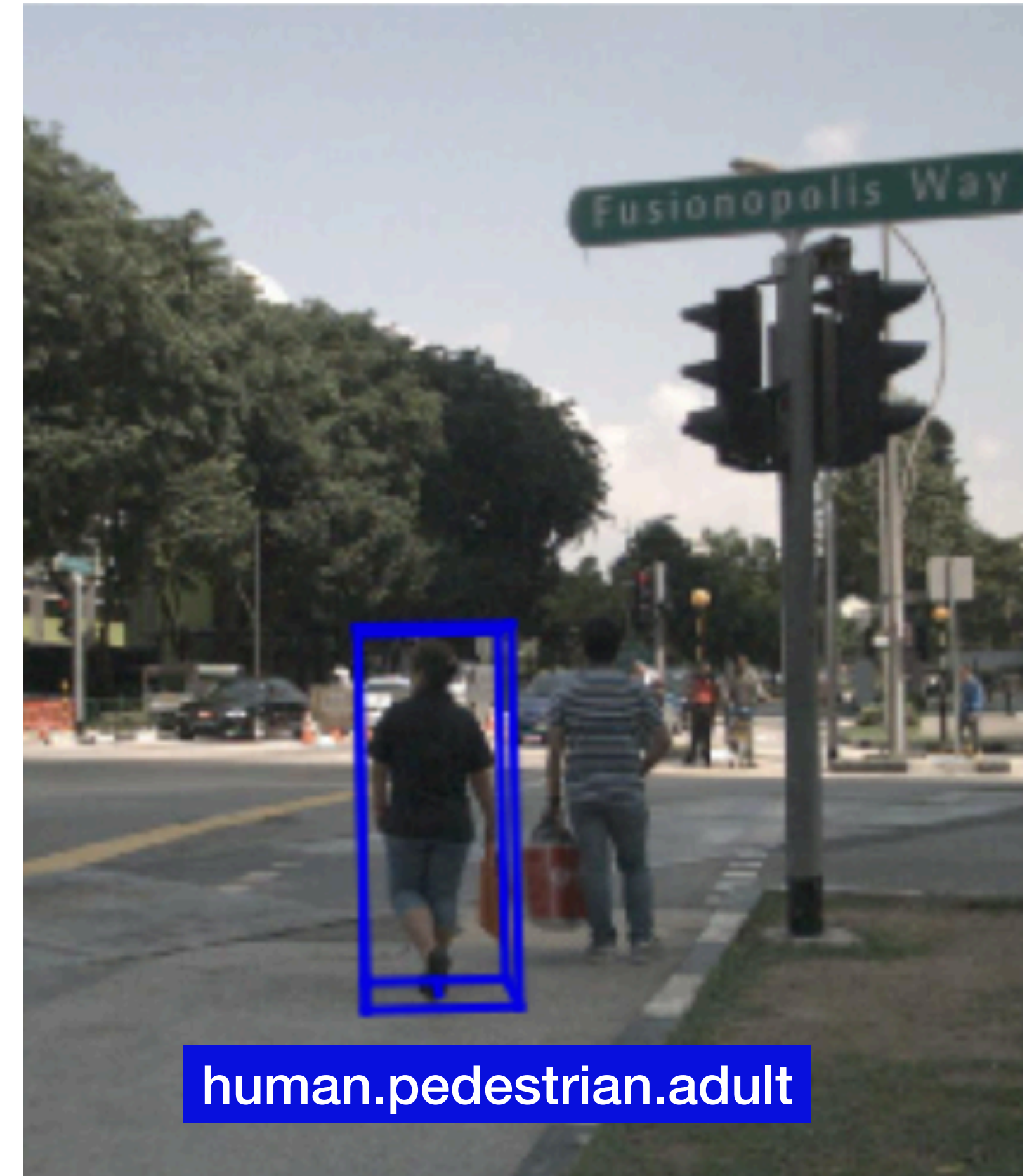
adult is a type of...

- en animal (n, wn) →
- en person (n, wn) →
- en animal (n) →

adult is capable of...

- en help a child →
- en dress herself →
- en sign a contract →
- en drink beer →
- en work →
- en act like a child →
- en dress himself →
- en drive a car →
- en drive a train →
- en explain the rules to a child

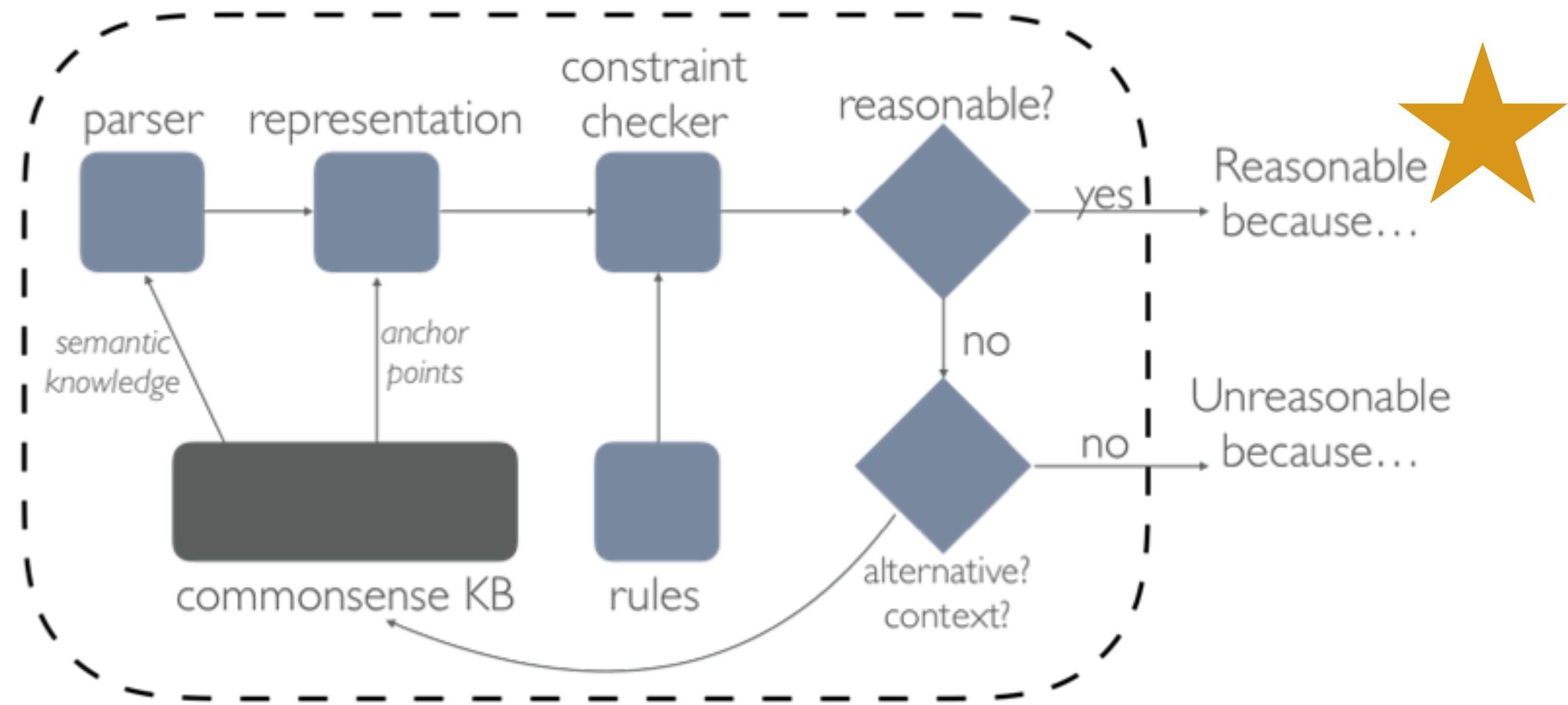
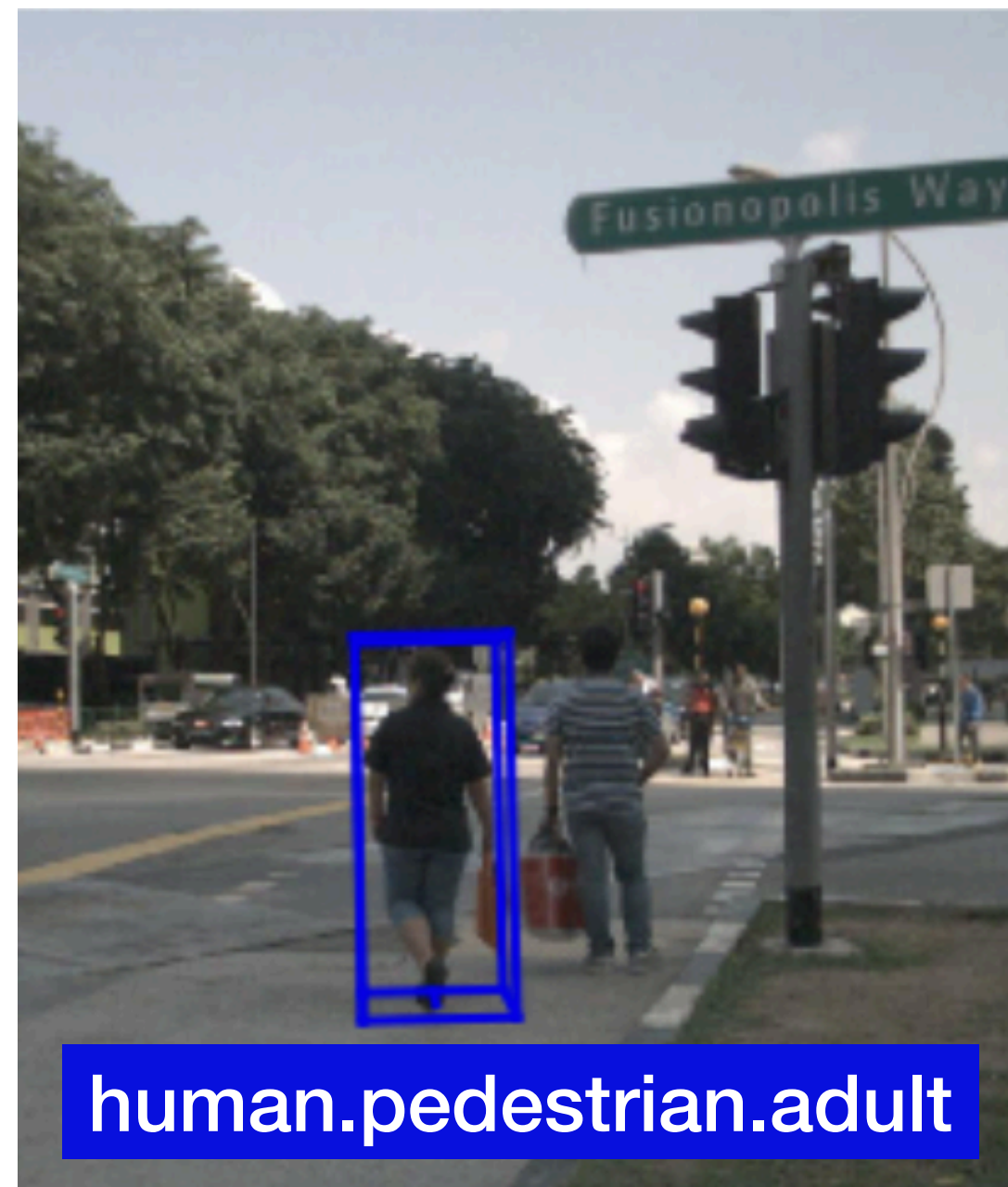
```
('adult, 'typeOf, 'animal)  
( 'adult, 'isA, 'bigger than a child' )  
...
```



human.pedestrian.adult

Data from NuScenes

Monitor Outputs a Judgement and Justification



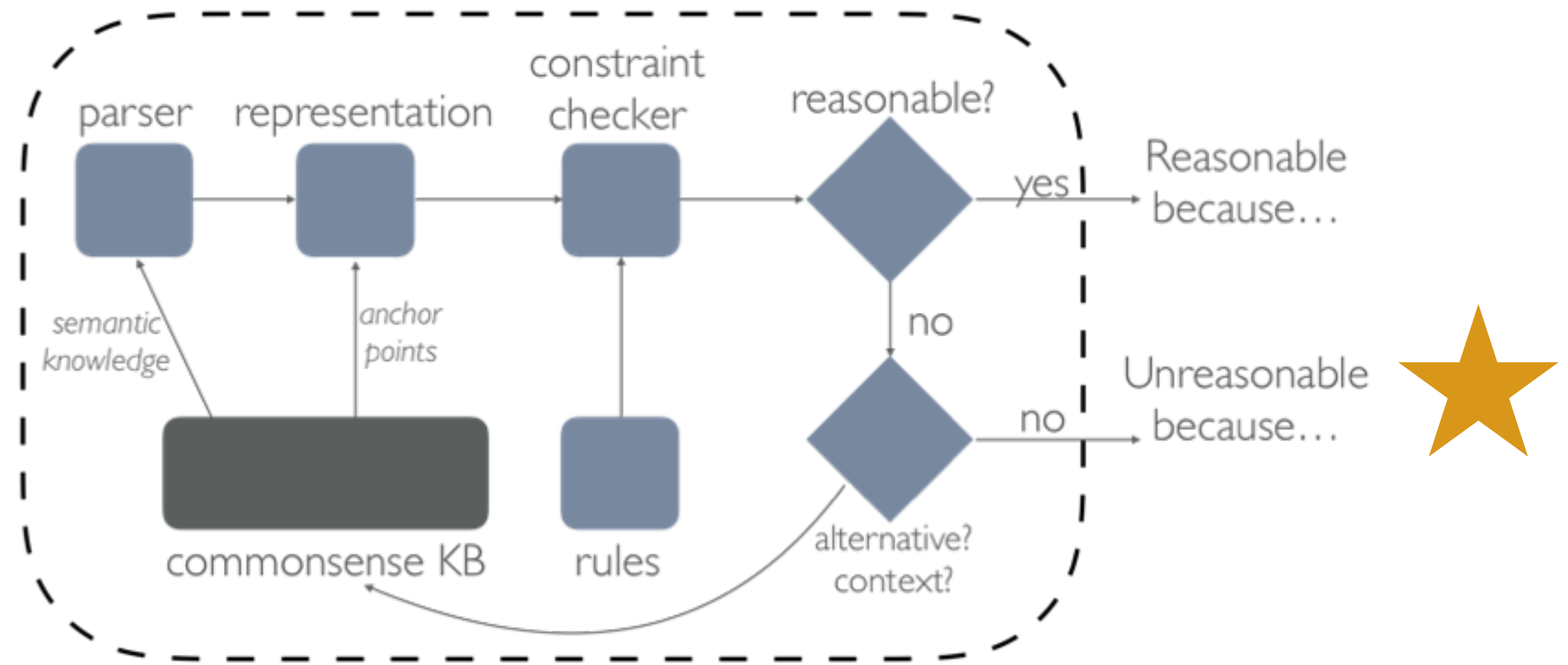
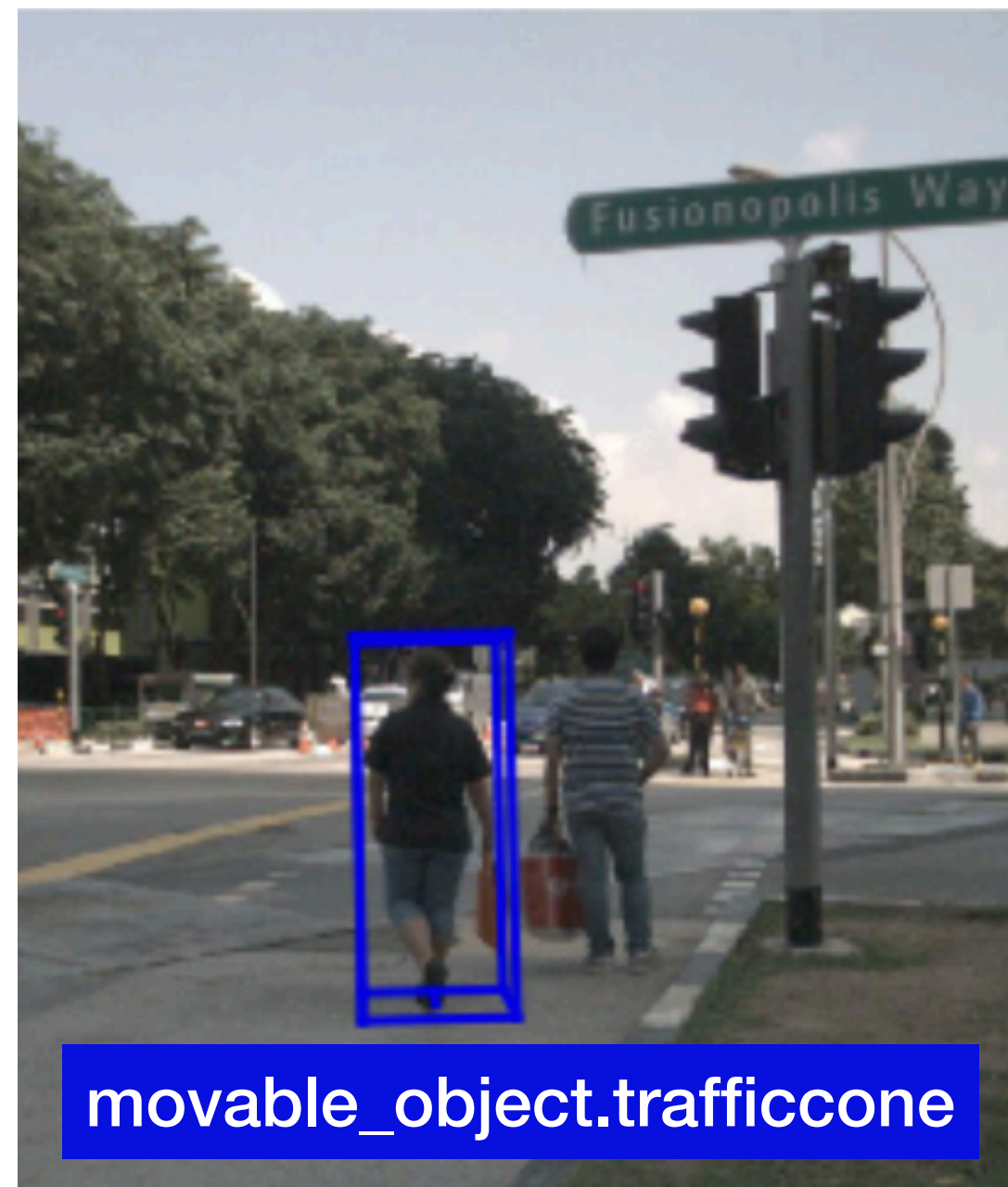
This perception is reasonable. An adult is typically a large person. They are usually located walking on the street. Its approximate dimensions of $[0.621, 0.669, 1.642]$ is approximately the correct size in meters.

Evaluating Reasonableness Monitors

Building Errors

- Built an “unreasonable” image description dataset.
 - 100 descriptions.
 - Average of 4.47 words, with 57 unique words.
 - 14 verbs, 35 nouns, 8 articles/auxiliary verbs, prepositions.
 - 23 of the 100 had prepositional phrases.
- Self-driving image processing errors:
 - Real-time evaluation with Carla.
 - Added errors on existing datasets (NuScenes).
 - Examining errors on the validation dataset of NuScenes leaderboard.
 - Building challenge problems and scenarios.

Adding and Validating Errors



This perception is unreasonable. The `movable_object.trafficcone` located in the center region is not a reasonable size: it is too tall. There is no common sense supporting this judgement. Discounting objects detected in the same region.

Insights from Misclassifications

Commonsense Assumptions

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	Classify as:	
	Reasonable	Unreasonable
Reasonable		Parser: 2 ConceptNet: 8
Unreasonable	Parser: 2 ConceptNet: 6	

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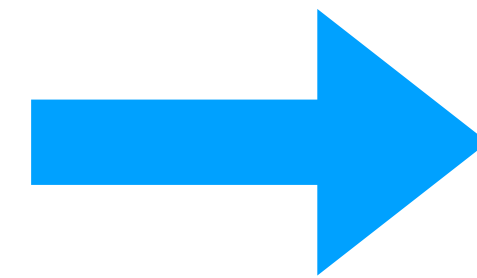
Vision: Real World Adversarial Examples



“Realistic” Adversarial examples

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Anticipatory Thinking Layer for Error Detection



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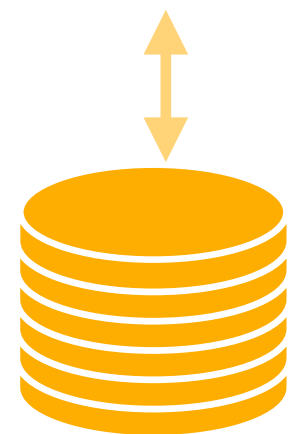
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Testing Framework in Two Parts

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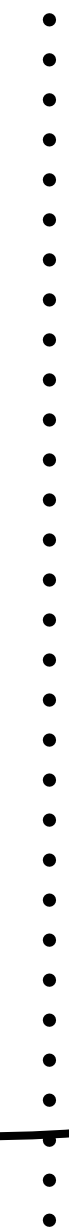
Explanatory Error Detection



Content generation

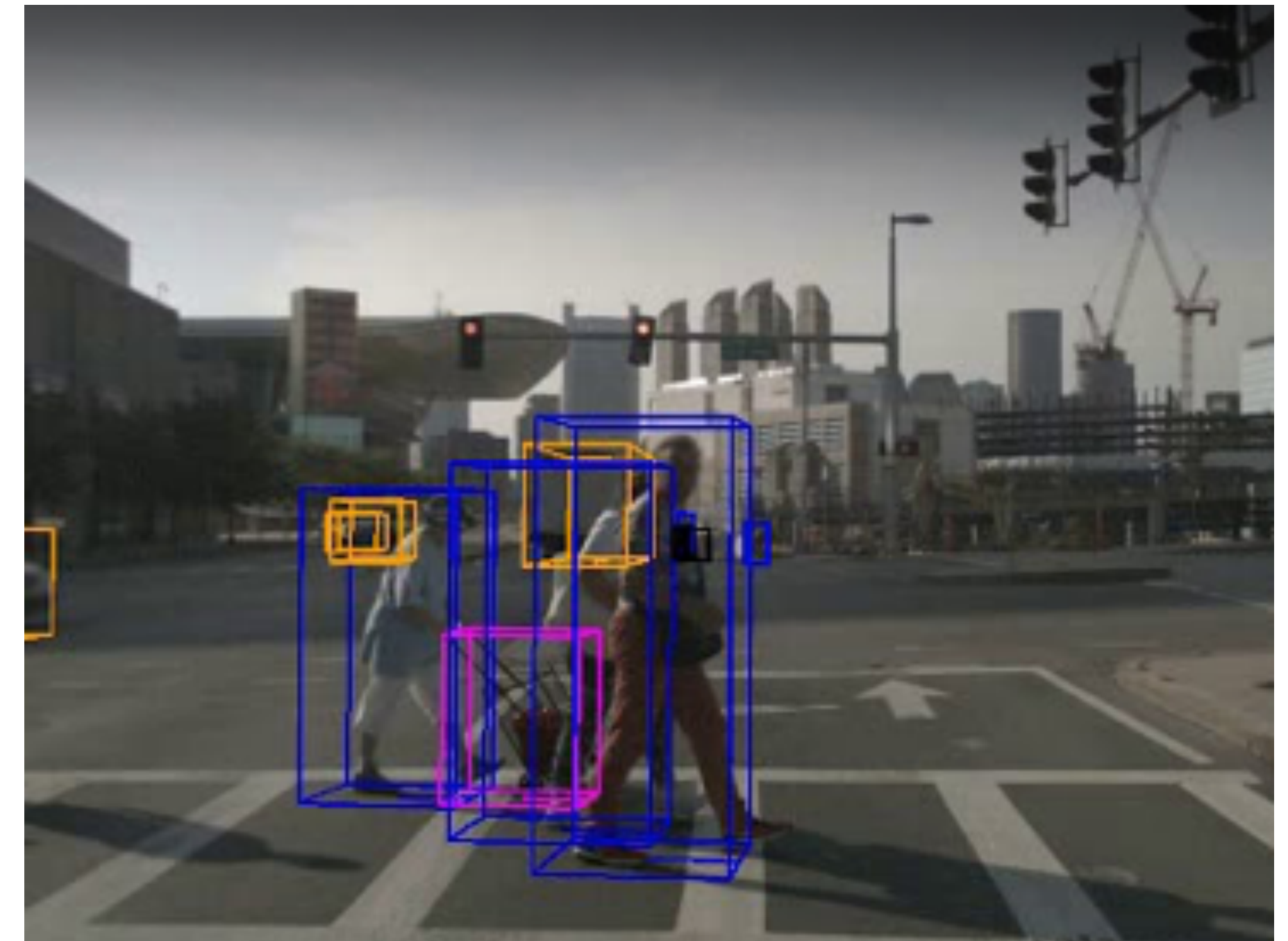


Deploy



Lack of Data and Challenges for AVs

- Existing Challenges
 - Targeted as optimizing a mission or trajectory and not safety.
 - Data is hand-curated.
- Failure data is not available
 - Unethical to get it (cannot just drive into bad situations).
 - Want the data to be realistic (usually difficult in simulation).



Data from NuScenes

Need for Context and Explanation



“Realistic” Adversarial

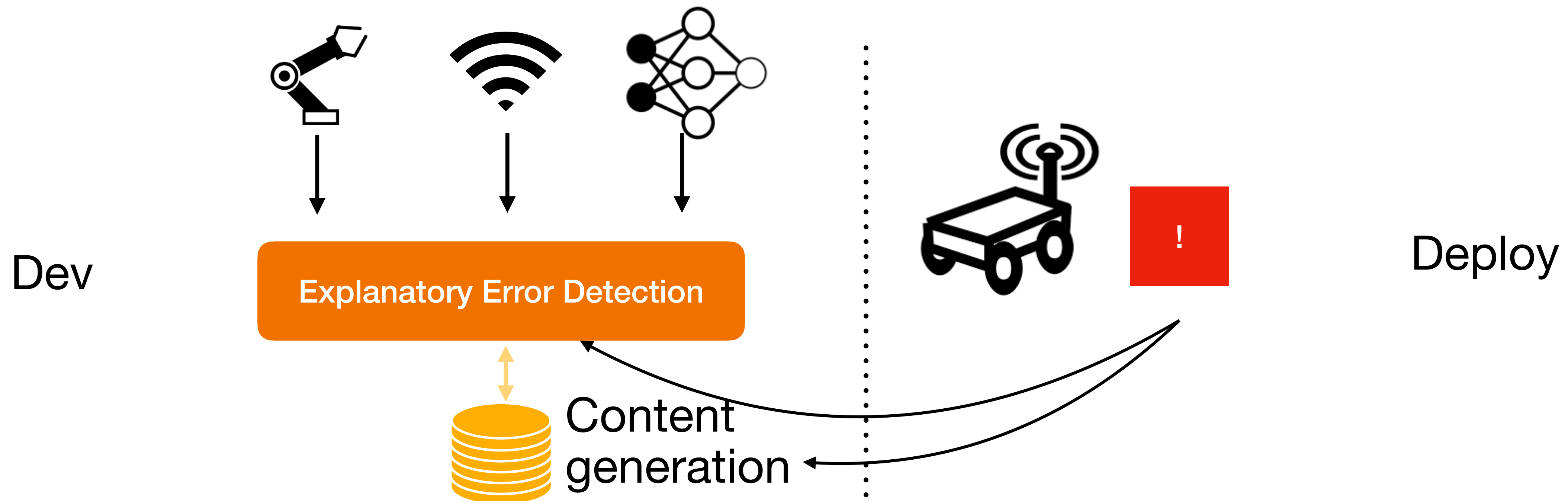
en a driveway — UsedFor → **en** a truck
Weight: 2.83

en A truck — UsedFor → **en** hauling things
Weight: 1.0

Approach: How it Works

Use Adversarial Images in Dev Testing

- Solution: Use a cognitive architecture that helps to anticipate and understand these failure cases.
- Assess autonomous vehicles for their risk management capabilities **before** being deployed and provide incident level risk management explanations in human readable form.



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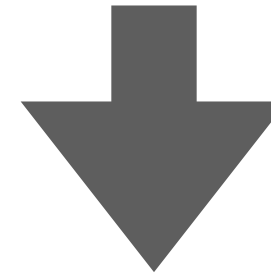
How can systems communicate?

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- “Near misses” in commonsense reasoning.

Systems lack commonsense



Explanation

Explaining Explanations: An Approach to Evaluating Interpretability of Machine Learning

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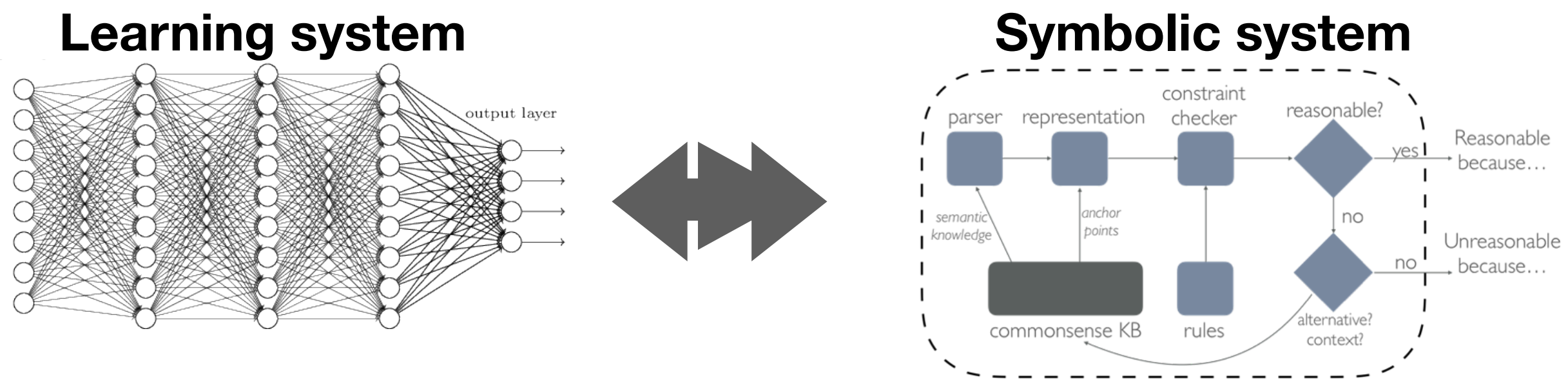
Dynamic explanations, under uncertainty

Self-explaining architectures

Vision: Articulate Machines

Coherent Communication

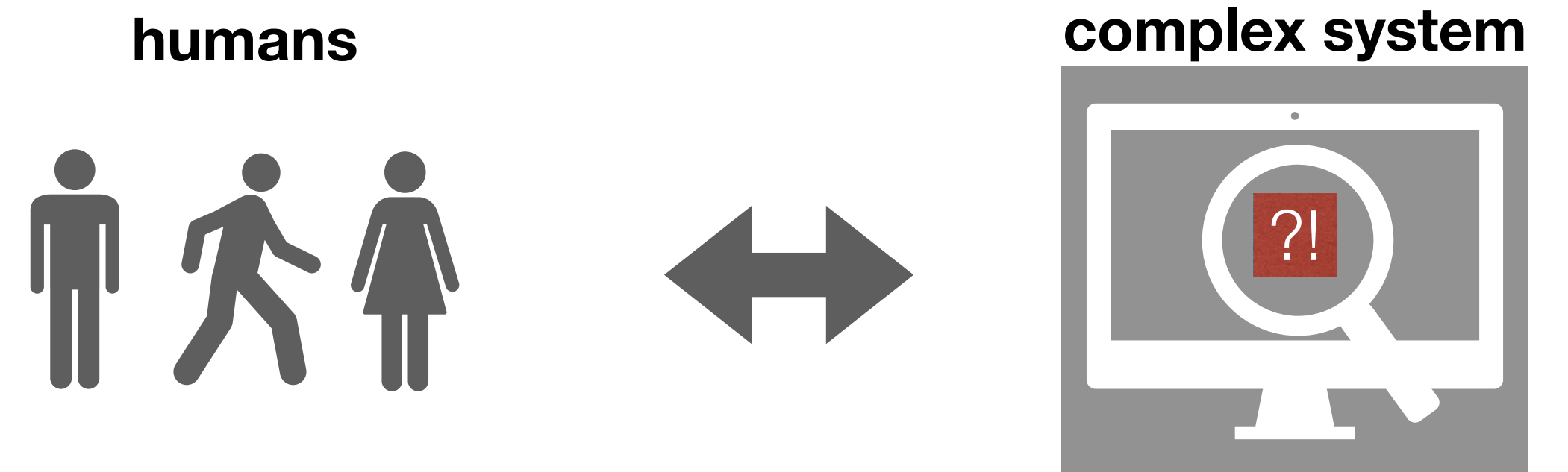
With Other Systems



Common language to complete tasks.

- Redundancy: systems solve problems in multiple ways.
- Hybrid processes: systems that learn from each other.

With Humans



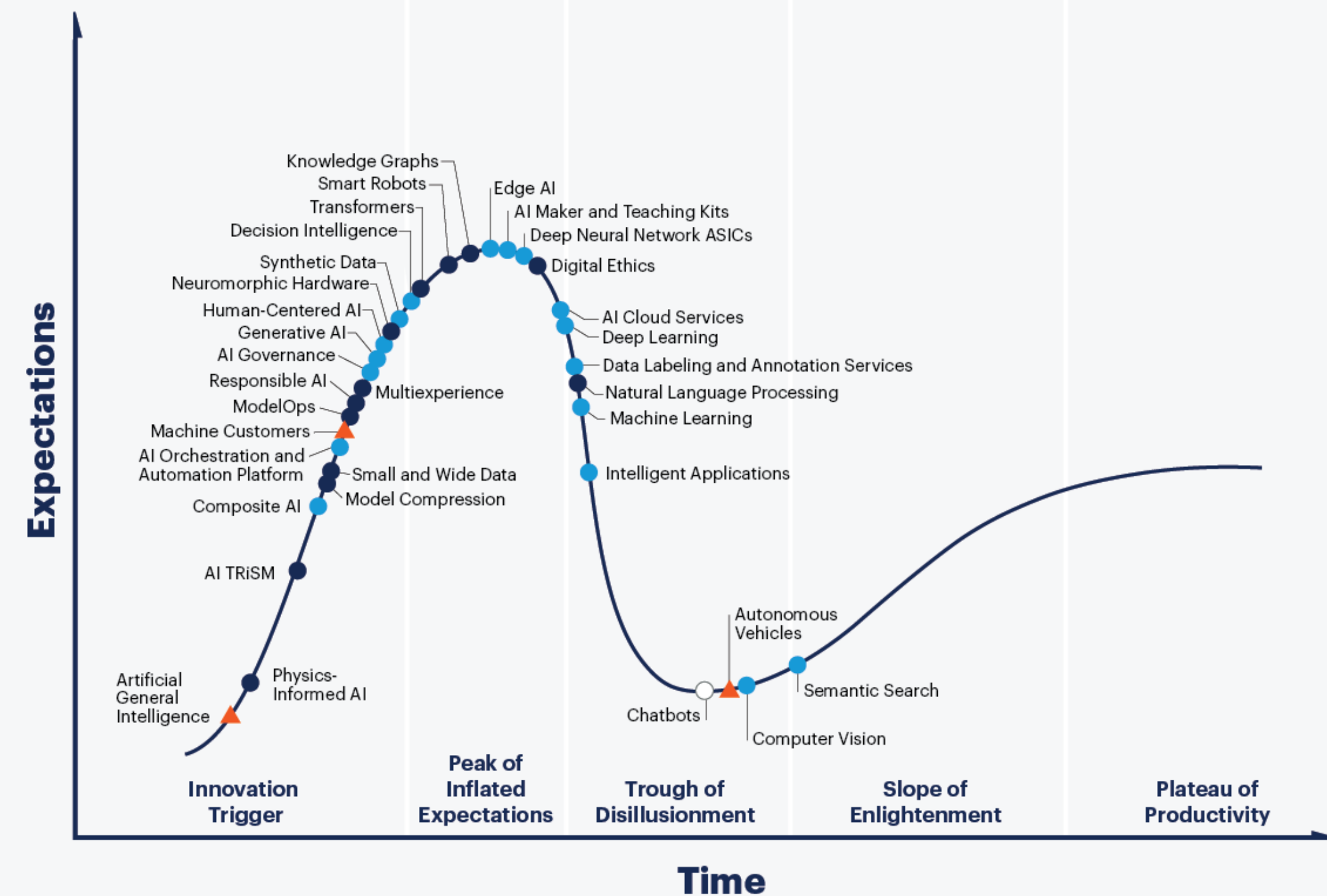
Explanations are a debugging language.

- Debugging: humans can improve complex systems
- Education: complex systems can “improve” or teach humans.

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Using Commonsense

Hype Cycle for Artificial Intelligence, 2021



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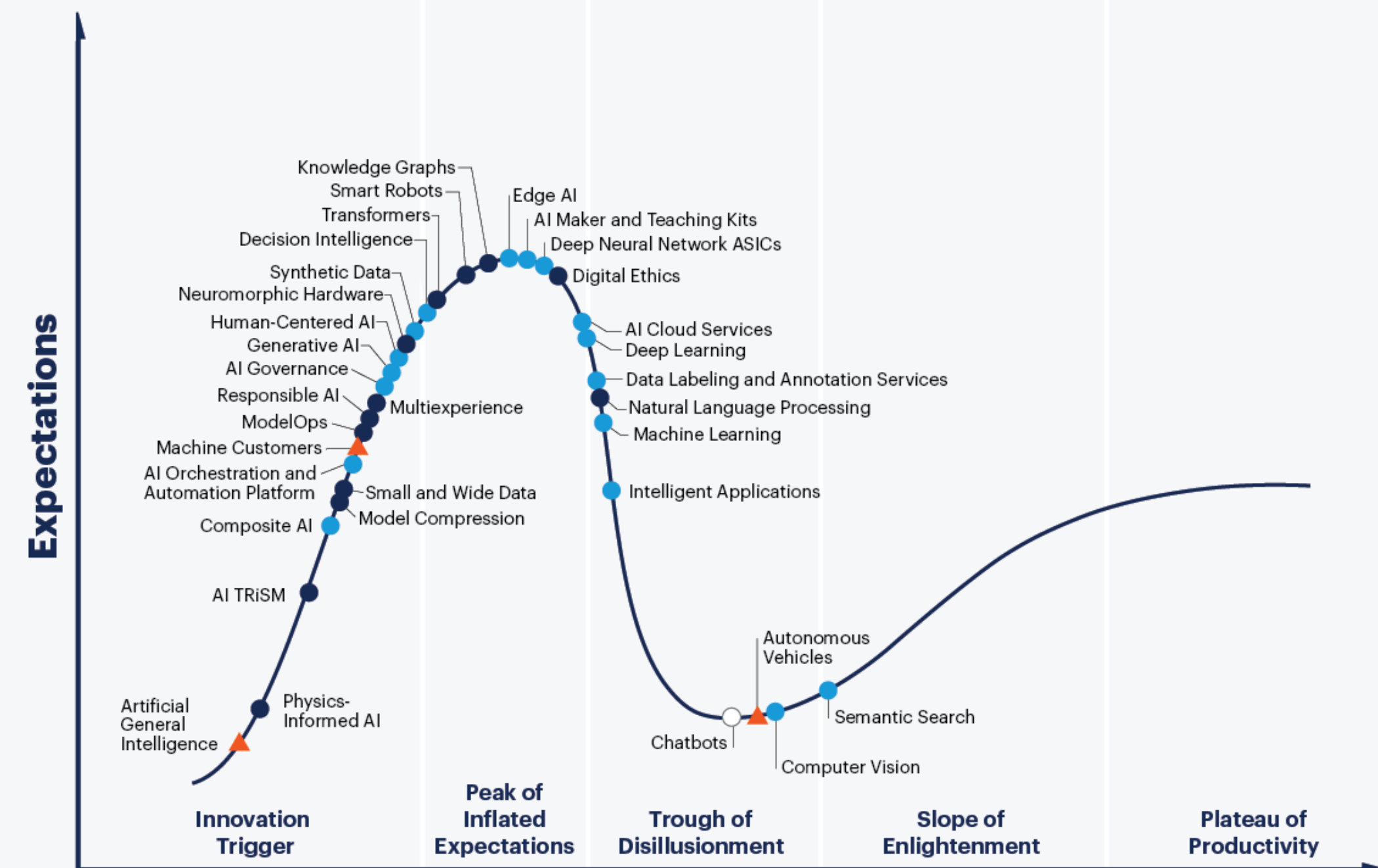
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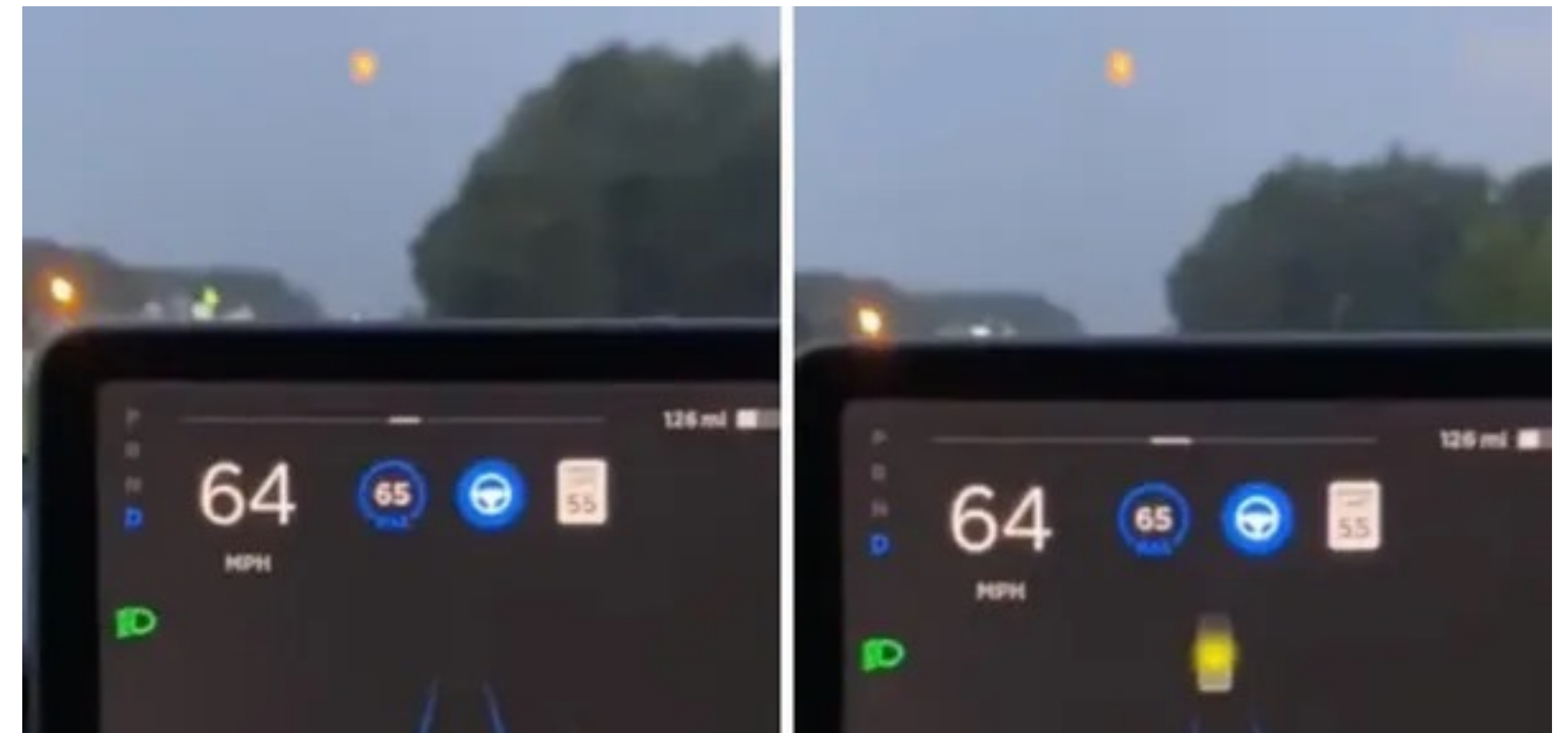
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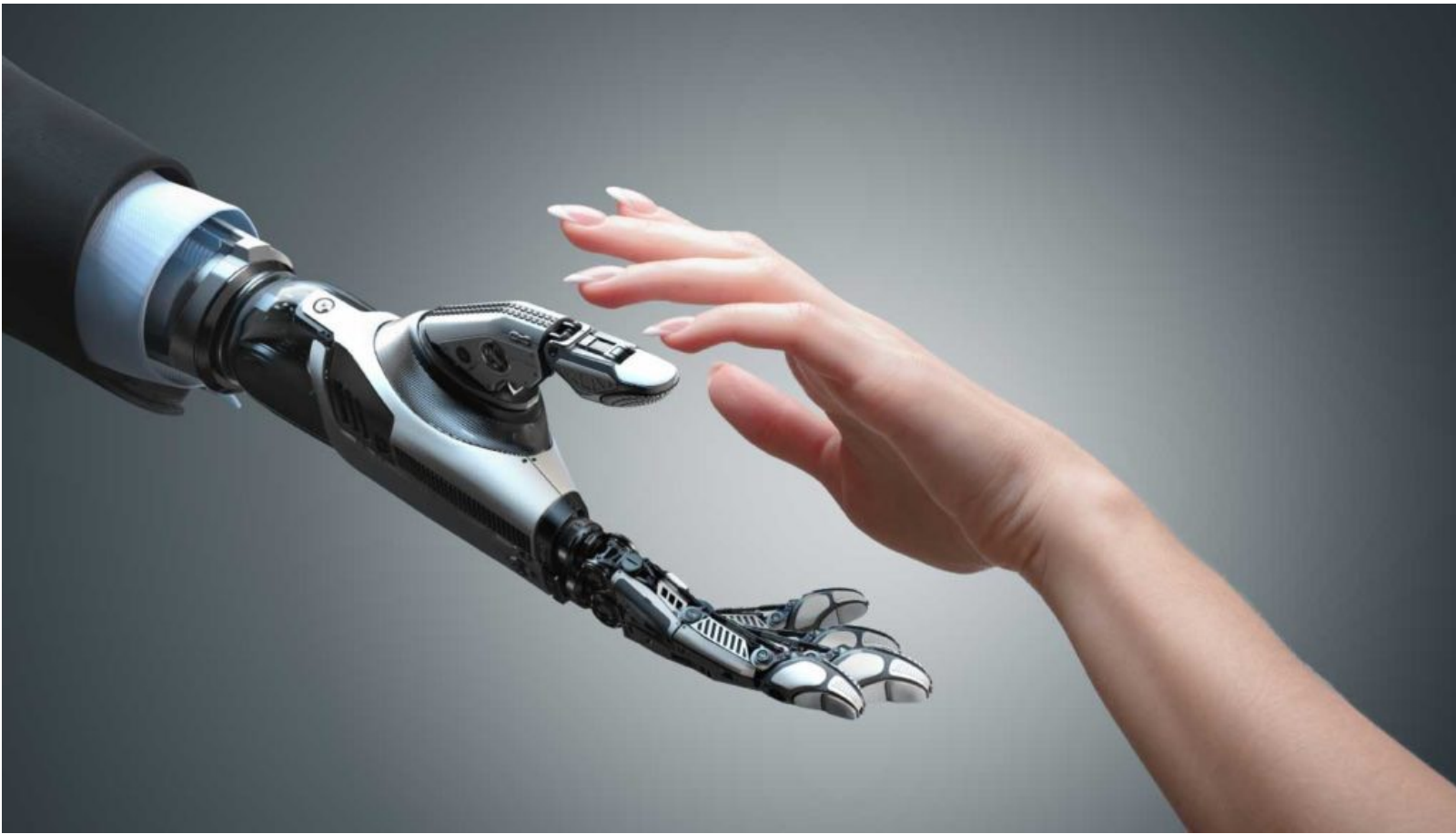
Location of traffic light

- en the corner of two streets →
- en the street →

Impact

Confidence and Integrity of Systems

Society



Systems that articulately communicate with humans on shared tasks.

Liability



Systems that can testify, answer questions, and provide insights.

Robustness



Dynamic detection of failure and intrusion with precise mitigation.

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