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Instantly Revealed Fatal Problem for DL:  
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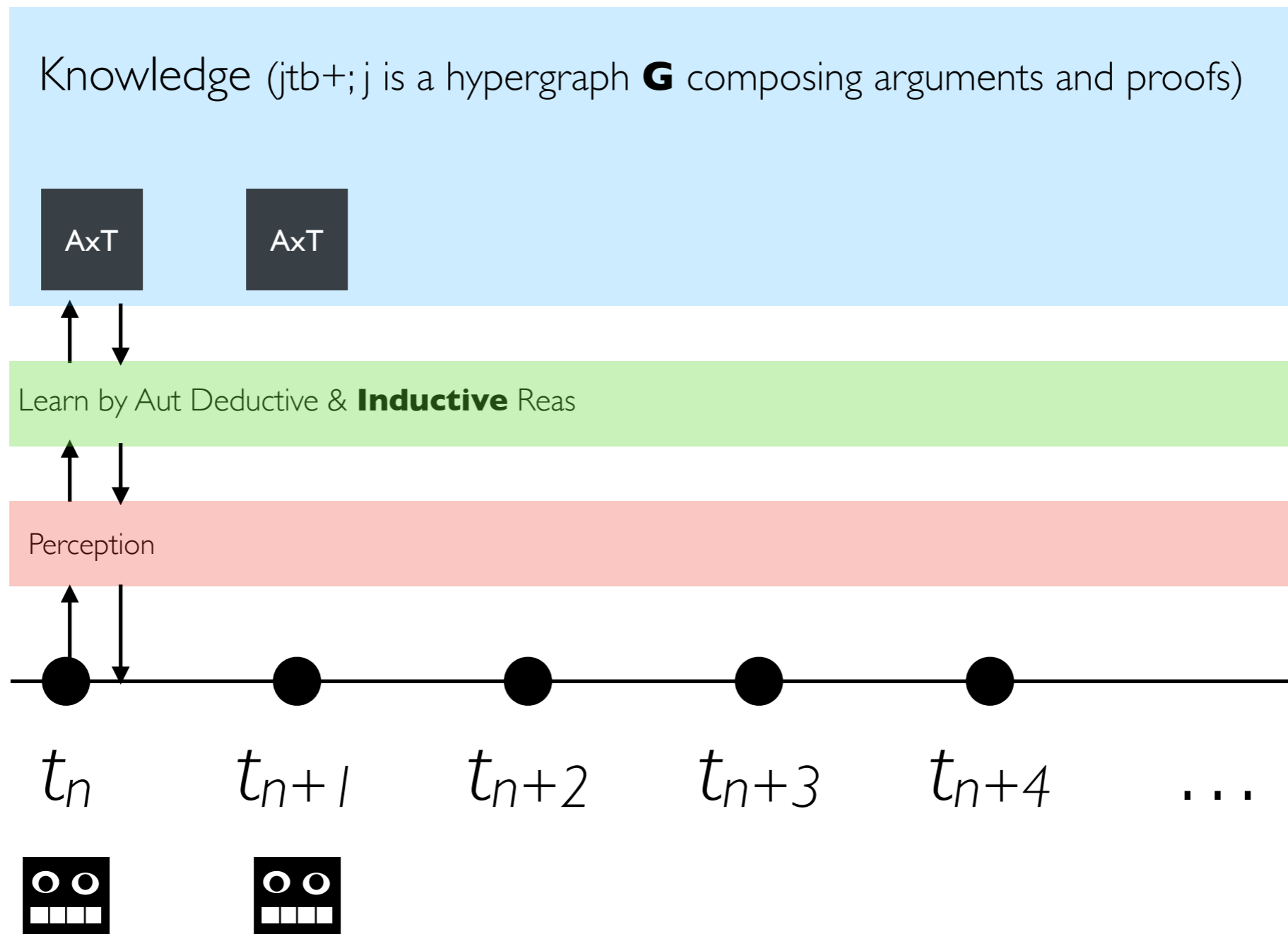
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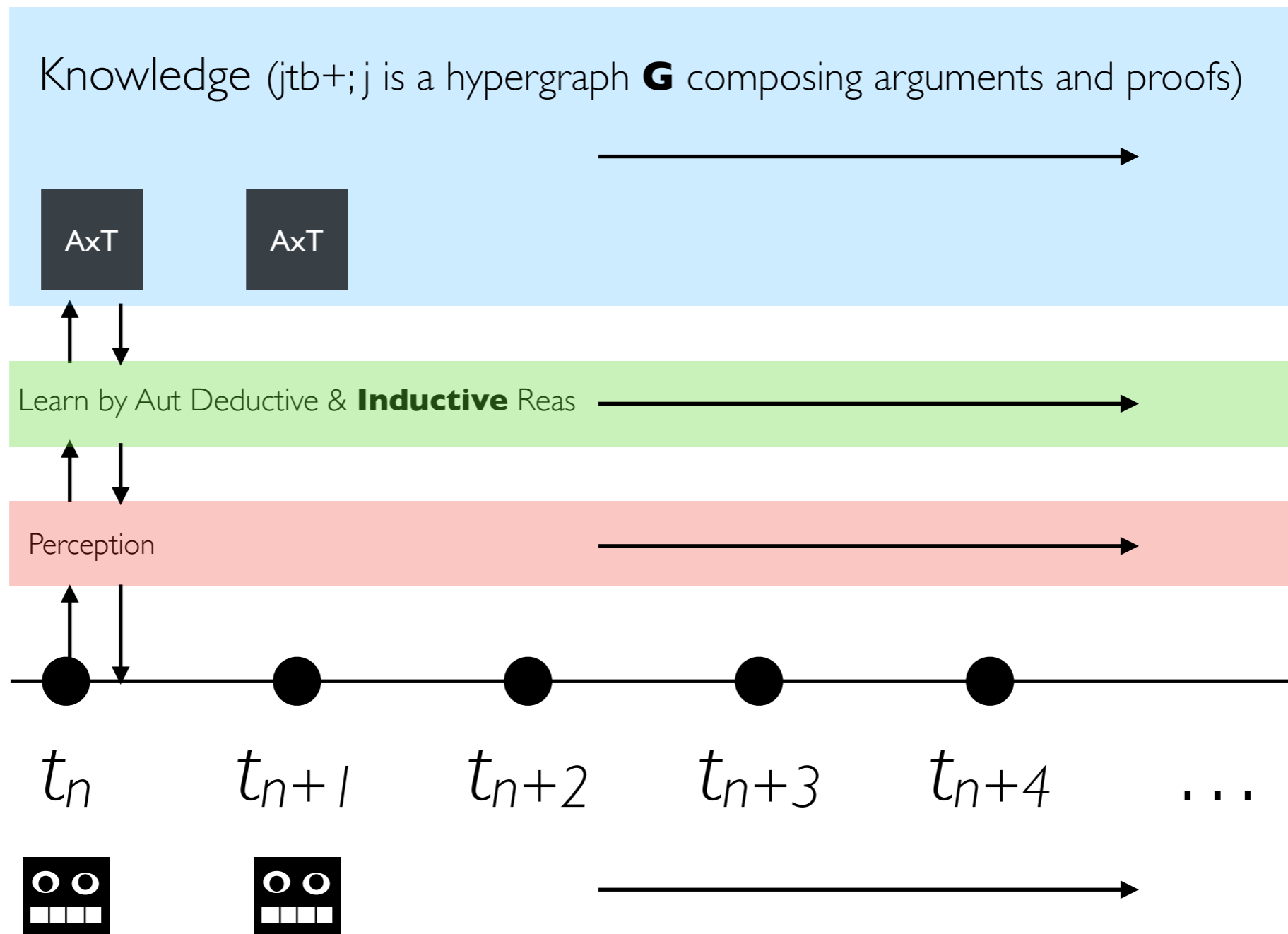
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**GPT-3: Are there two bejeekers made by two different agents, and believed by the speaker to be singularly good, for reasons beyond their having in them either lazerall or sinifer?**

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## Do Machine-Learning Machines Learn?

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**Abstract** We answer the present paper’s title in the negative. We begin by introducing and characterizing “real learning” ( $\mathcal{RL}$ ) in the formal sciences, a phenomenon that has been firmly in place in homes and schools since at least Euclid. The defense of our negative answer pivots on an integration of *reductio* and proof by cases, and constitutes a general method for showing that any contemporary form of machine learning (ML) isn’t real learning. Along the way, we canvass the many different conceptions of “learning” in not only AI, but psychology and its allied disciplines; none of these conceptions (with one exception arising from the view of cognitive development espoused by Piaget), aligns with real learning. We explain in this context by four steps how to broadly characterize and arrive at a focus on  $\mathcal{RL}$ .

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## 8 Appendix: The Formal Method

The following deduction uses fonts in an obvious and standard way to sort between functions ( $f$ ), agents ( $a$ ), and computing machines ( $m$ ) in the Arithmetical Hierarchy. Ordinary italicized Roman is used for particulars under these sorts (e.g.  $f$  is a particular function). In addition, ‘ $C$ ’ denotes any collection of conditions constituting jointly necessary-and-sufficient conditions for a form of current ML, which can come from relevant textbooks (e.g. Luger, 2008; Russell and Norvig, 2009) or papers; we leave this quite up to the reader, as no effect upon the validity of the deductive inference chain will be produced by the preferred instantiation of ‘ $C$ .’ It will perhaps be helpful to the reader to point out that the deduction eventuates in the proposition that no machine in the ML fold that in this style learns a relevant function  $f$  thereby also real-learns  $f$ . We encode this target as follows:

$$(*) \neg \exists m \exists f [\phi := MLlearns(m, f) \wedge \psi := RLearns(m, f) \wedge C_\phi(m, f) \vdash^* (ci')\text{--}(cii)\psi(m, f)]$$

Note that  $(*)$  employs meta-logical machinery to refer to particular instantiations of  $C$  for a particular, arbitrary case of ML ( $\phi$  is the atomic sub-formula that can be instantiated to make the particular case), and particular instantiations of the triad  $(ci')\text{--}(cii)$  for a particular, arbitrary case of  $\mathcal{RL}$  ( $\psi$  is the atomic sub-formula that can be instantiated to make the particular case). Meta-logical machinery also allows us to use a provability predicate to formalize the notion that real learning is produced by the relevant instance of ML. If we “pop”  $\phi/\psi$  to yield  $\phi'/\psi'$  we are dealing with the particular instantiation of the atomic sub-formula.

The deduction, as noted in earlier when the informal argument was given, is indirect proof by cases; accordingly, we first assume  $\neg(*)$ , and then proceed as follows under this supposition.

(1)	$\forall f, a [f : \mathbb{N} \mapsto \mathbb{N} \rightarrow (RLearns(a, f) \rightarrow (i)\text{--}(iii))]$	Def of Real Learning
(2)	$MLlearns(m, f) \wedge RLearns(m, f) \wedge f : \mathbb{N} \mapsto \mathbb{N}$	supp (for $\exists$ elim on $(*)$ )
(3)	$\forall m, f [f : \mathbb{N} \mapsto \mathbb{N} \rightarrow (MLlearns(m, f) \leftrightarrow C(m, f))]$	Def of ML
(4)	$\forall f [f : \mathbb{N} \mapsto \mathbb{N} \rightarrow (TurComp(f) \vee TurUncomp(f))]$	theorem
(5)	$TurUncomp(f)$	supp; Case 1
(6)	$\neg \exists m \exists f [(f : \mathbb{N} \mapsto \mathbb{N} \wedge TurUncomp(f) \wedge C(m, f))]$	theorem
$\therefore$ (7)	$\neg \exists m MLlearns(m, f)$	(6), (3)
$\therefore$ (8)	$\perp$	(7), (2)
(9)	$TurComp(f)$	supp; Case 2
$\therefore$ (10)	$C_{\phi'}(m, f)$	(2), (3)
$\therefore$ (11)	$(ci')\text{--}(cii)\psi'(m, f)$	from supp for $\exists$ elim on $(*)$ and provability
$\therefore$ (12)	$\neg (ci')\text{--}(cii)\psi'(m, f)$	inspection: proofs wholly absent from $C$
$\therefore$ (13)	$\perp$	(11), (12)
$\therefore$ (14)	$\perp$	<i>reductio</i> ; proof by cases

Let's look @ the paper ...

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**But how is this mechanizable?**

**Well, how about a new form of machine learning?  
(by reasoning)**

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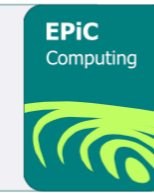
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### Abstract

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## 1 Introduction

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<sup>1</sup>No such assumption as that creation *ex nihilo* is real or even formally respectable is made or needed in the present paper. The concept of creation *ex nihilo* is simply for us an intellectual inspiration — but as a matter of fact, the literature on it in analytic philosophy does provide some surprisingly rigorous accounts. In the present draft of the present paper, we don’t seek to mine these accounts.

<sup>2</sup>Not to be confused with inductive logic programming (about which more will be said later), or inductive deductive techniques and schemas (e.g. mathematical induction, the induction schema in Peano Arithmetic, etc.). As we explain later, learning *ex nihilo* is in part powered by non-deductive inference schemata seen in inductive logic. An introductory overview of inductive logic is provided in [39].



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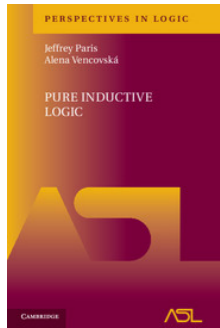
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# Or ... 11 Strength Factors

**Acceptable** An agent  $a$  at time  $t$  finds  $\phi$  acceptable *iff* withholding  $\phi$  is not more reasonable than believing in  $\phi$ .

$$\mathbf{B}^1(a, t, \phi) \Leftrightarrow \begin{cases} \mathbf{W}(a, t, \phi) \not\prec_t^a \mathbf{B}(a, t, \phi); \text{ or} \\ (\neg \mathbf{B}(a, t, \phi) \wedge \neg \mathbf{B}(a, t, \neg \phi)) \not\prec_t^a \mathbf{B}(a, t, \phi) \end{cases}$$

**Some Presumption in Favor** An agent  $a$  at time  $t$  has some presumption in favor of  $\phi$  *iff* believing  $\phi$  at  $t$  is more reasonable than believing  $\neg\phi$  at time  $t$ :

$$\mathbf{B}^2(a, t, \phi) \Leftrightarrow (\mathbf{B}(a, t, \phi) \succ_a^t \mathbf{B}(a, t, \neg \phi))$$

**Beyond Reasonable Doubt** An agent  $a$  at time  $t$  has beyond reasonable doubt in  $\phi$  *iff* believing  $\phi$  at  $t$  is more reasonable than withholding  $\phi$  at time  $t$ :

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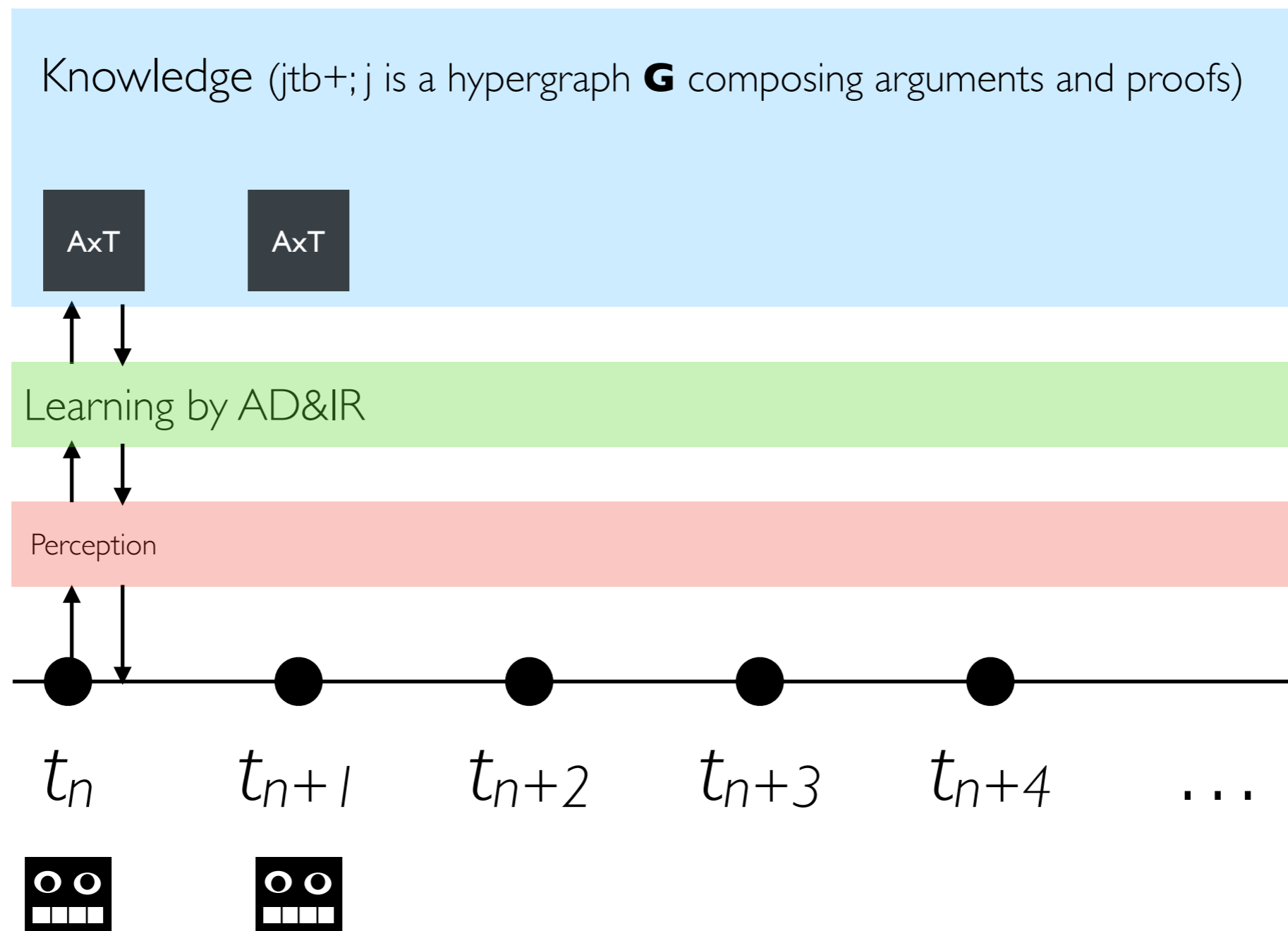
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$$\mathbf{B}^4(a, t, \phi) \Leftrightarrow \begin{cases} \mathbf{B}^3(a, t, \phi) \wedge \\ \exists \psi : \left[ \begin{array}{l} \mathbf{B}(a, t, \psi) \succ_t^a \mathbf{B}(a, t, \phi) \\ \Rightarrow \mathbf{B}^5(a, t, \psi) \end{array} \right] \end{cases}$$

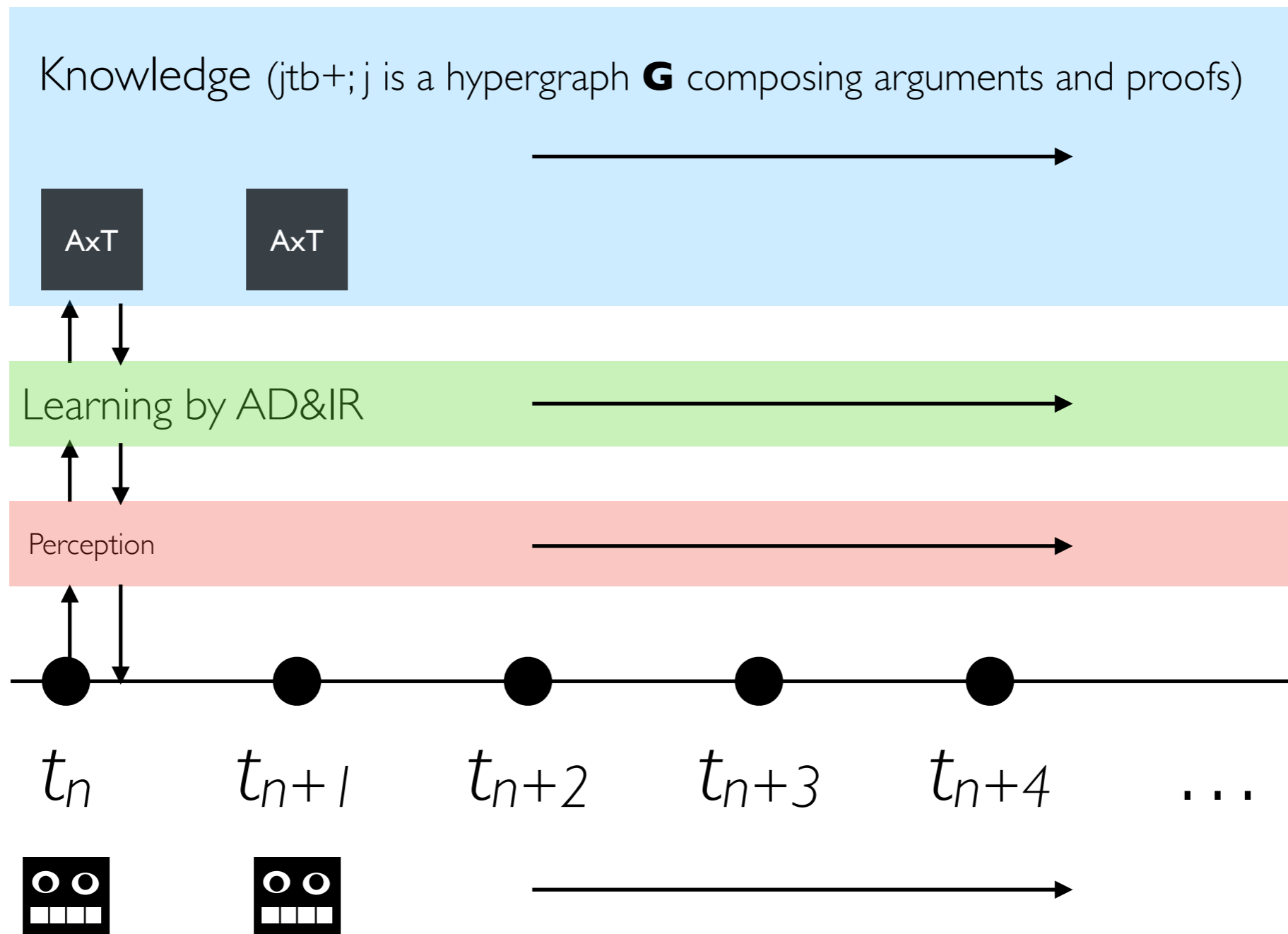
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$$\mathbf{B}^5(a, t, \phi) \Leftrightarrow \begin{cases} \mathbf{B}^3(a, t, \phi) \wedge \\ \neg \exists \psi : \mathbf{B}(a, t, \psi) \succ_t^a \mathbf{B}(a, t, \phi) \end{cases}$$

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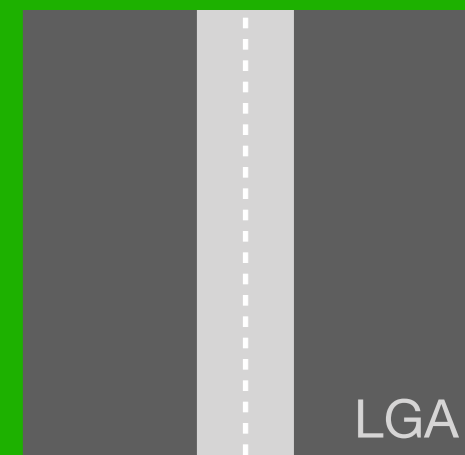


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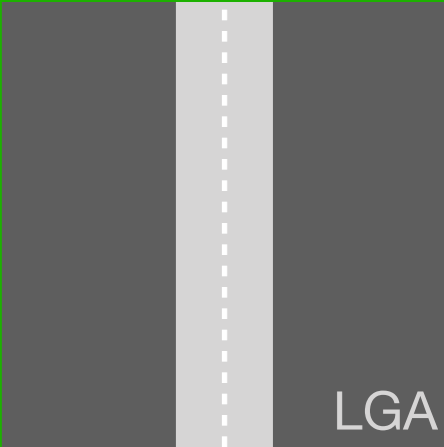
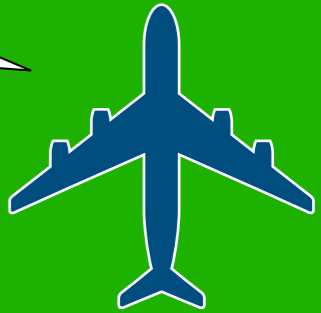


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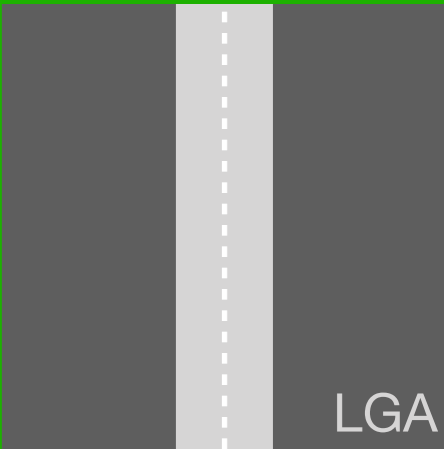
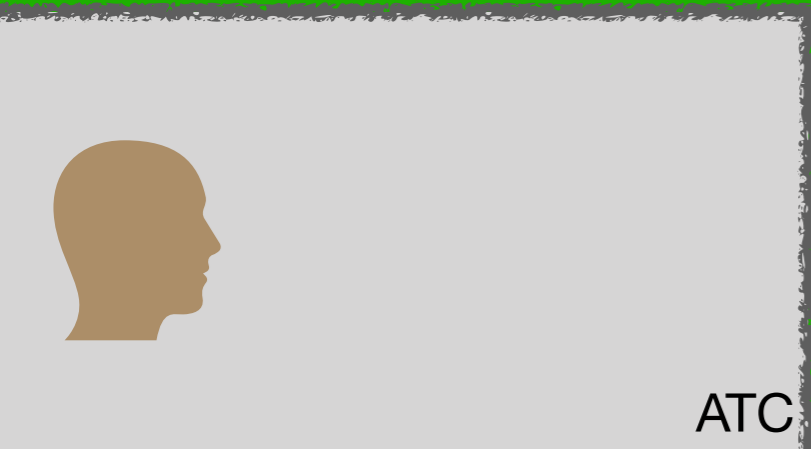




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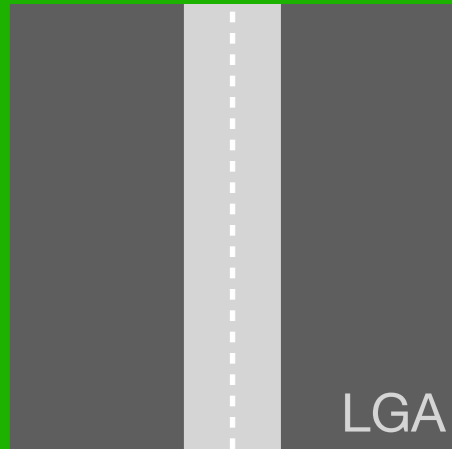
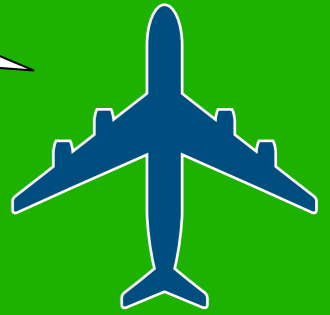


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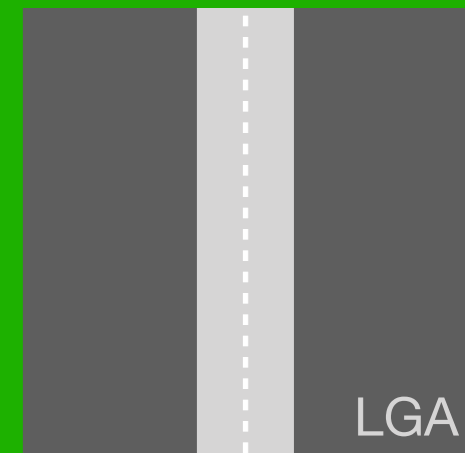
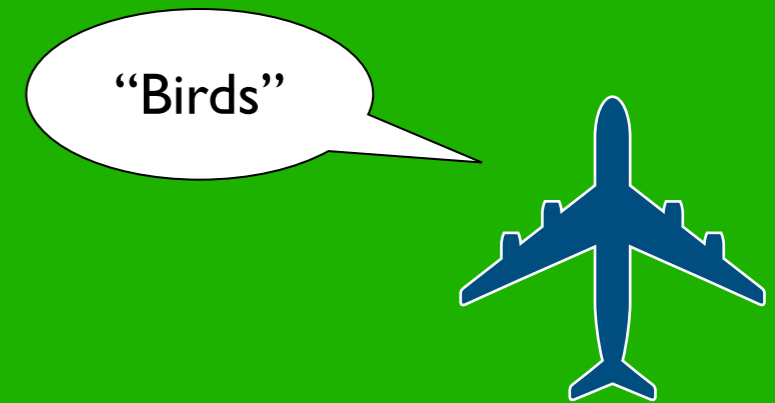


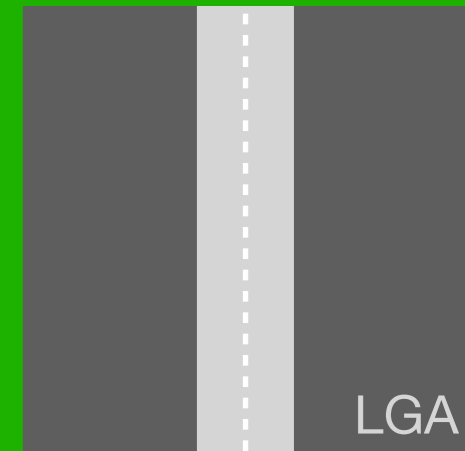
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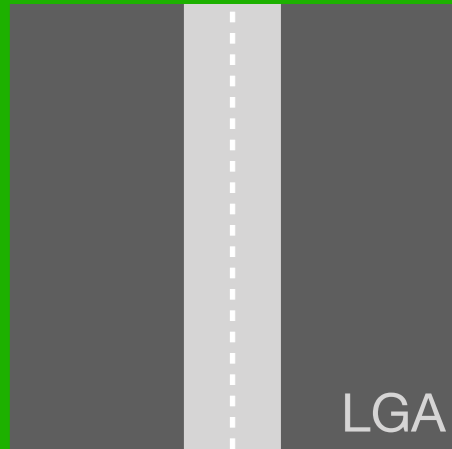
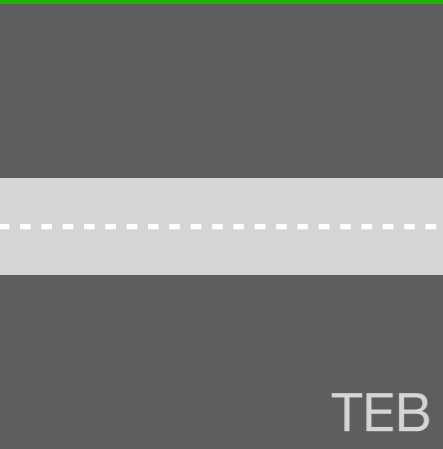


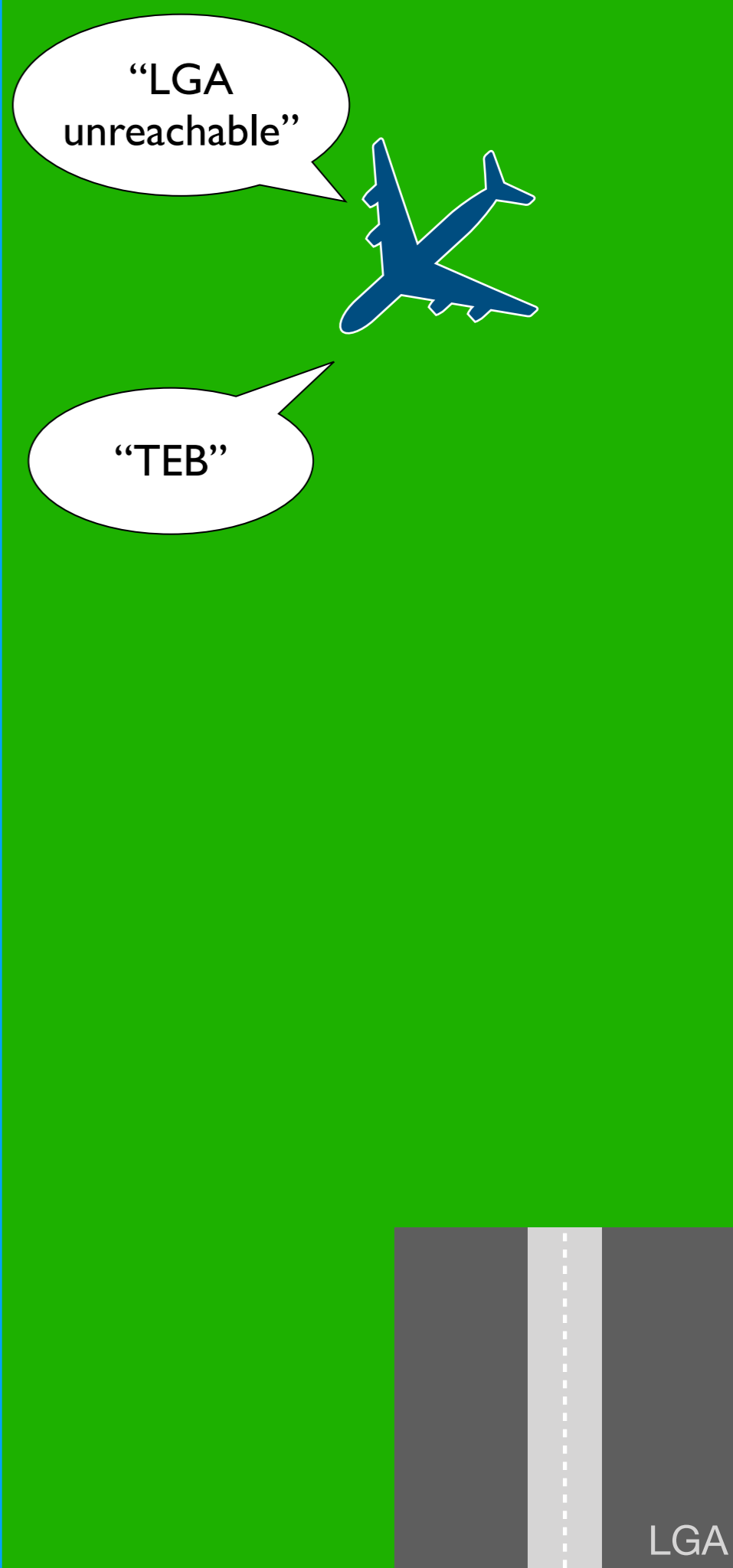
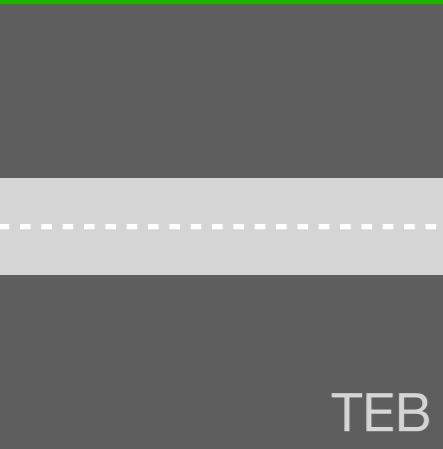
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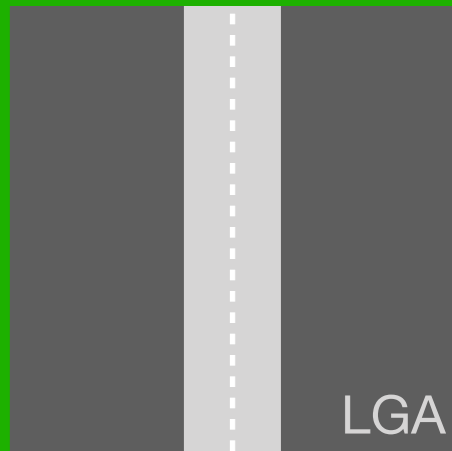
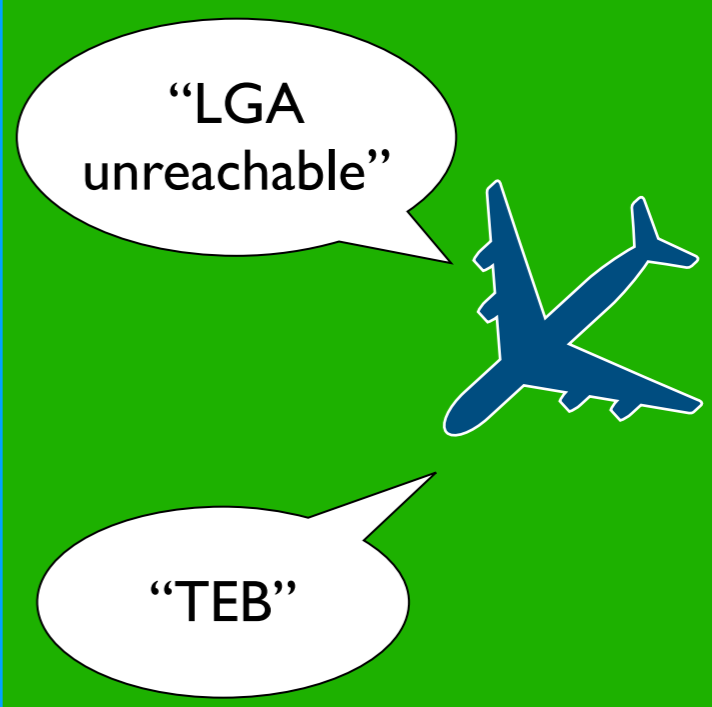
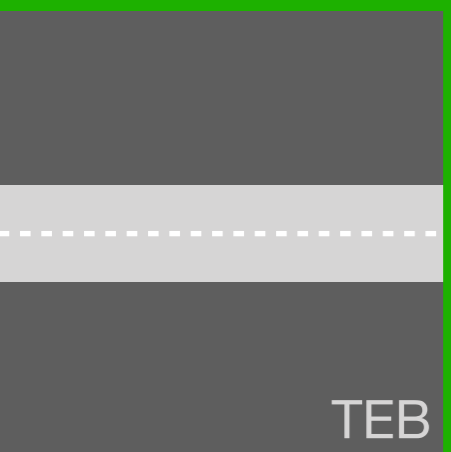








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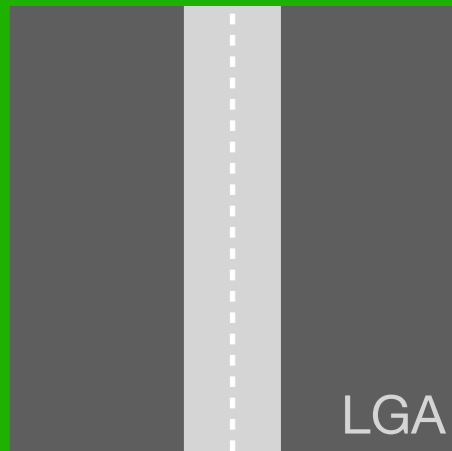


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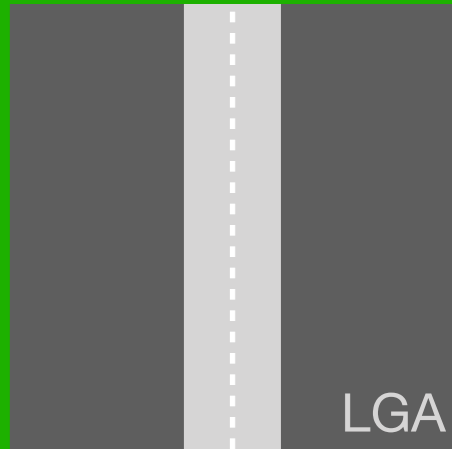
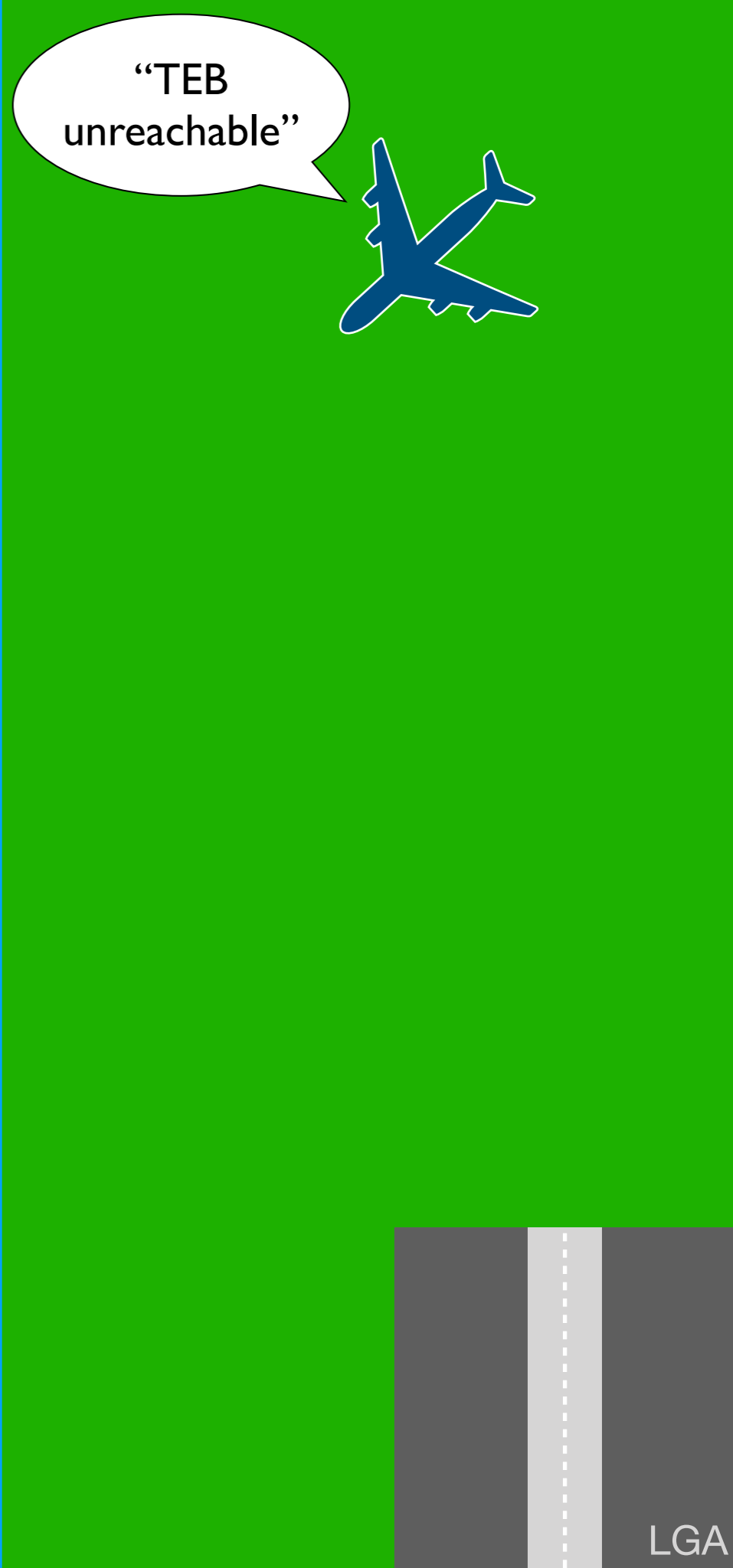
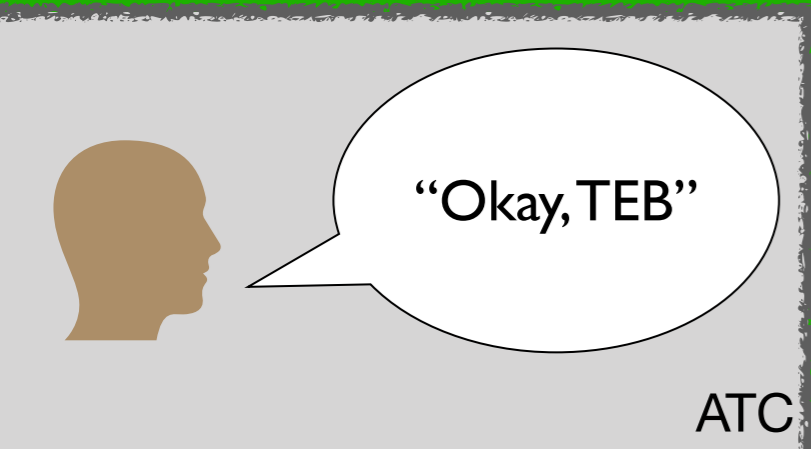
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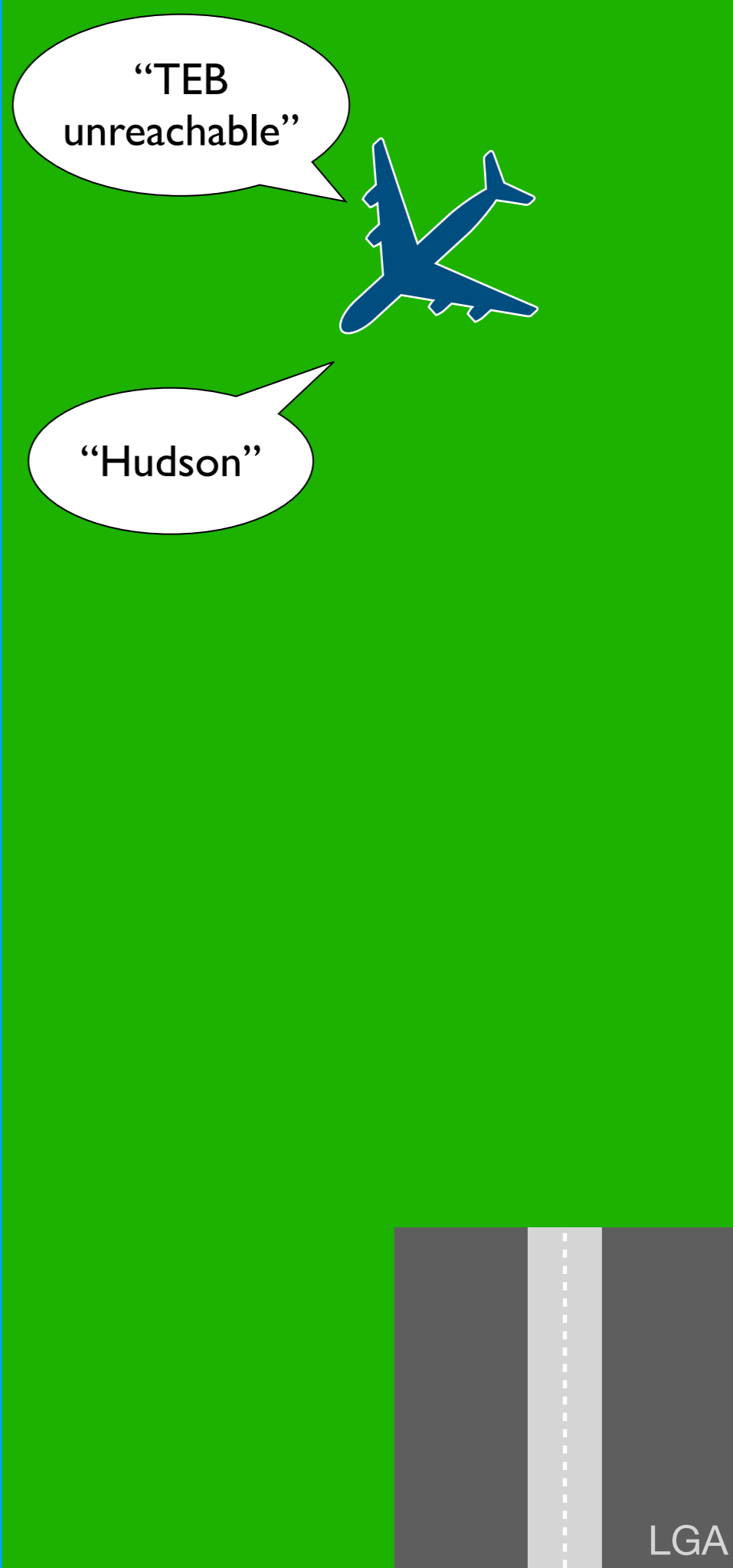
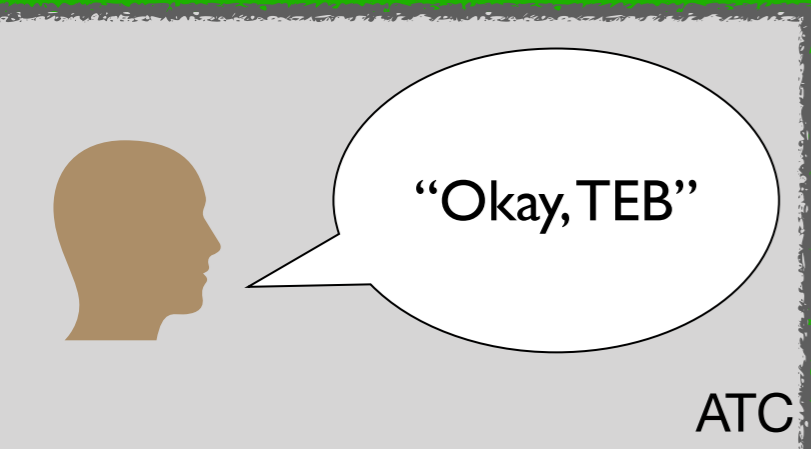
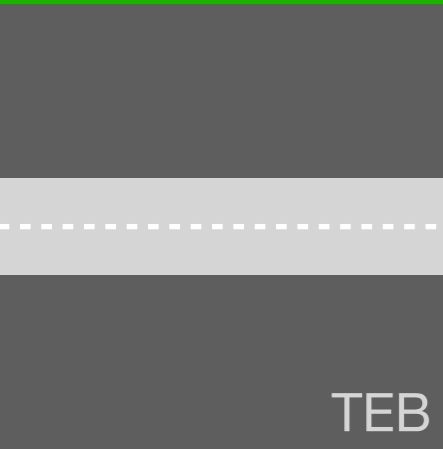
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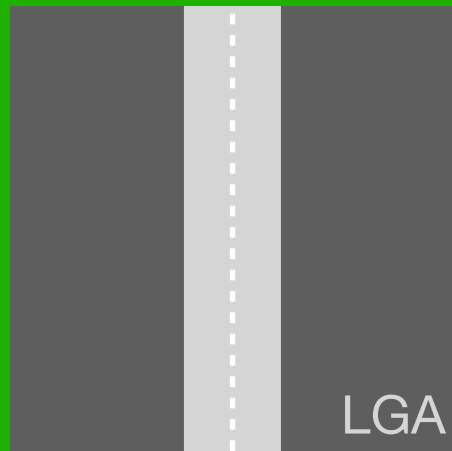
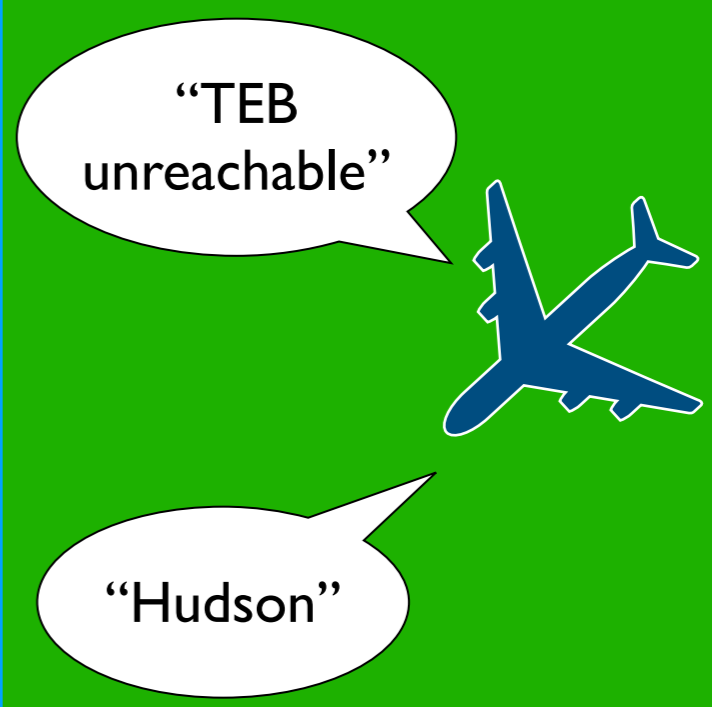
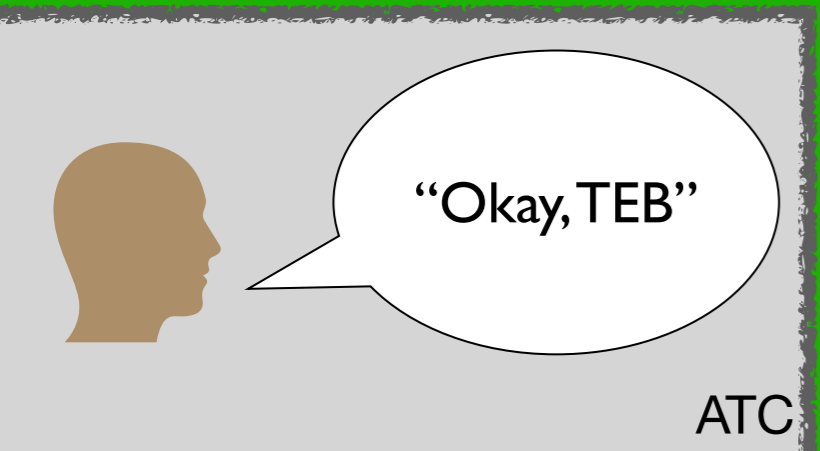
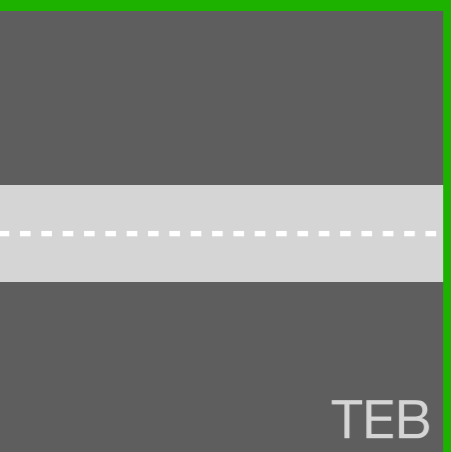
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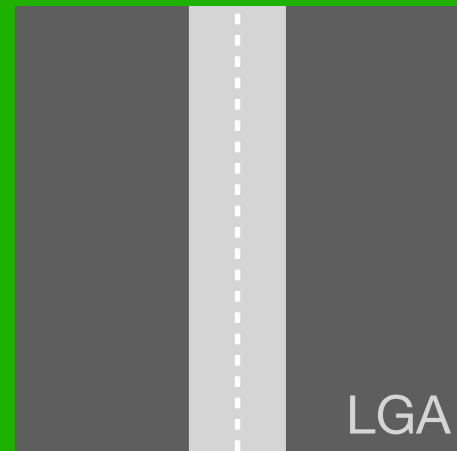
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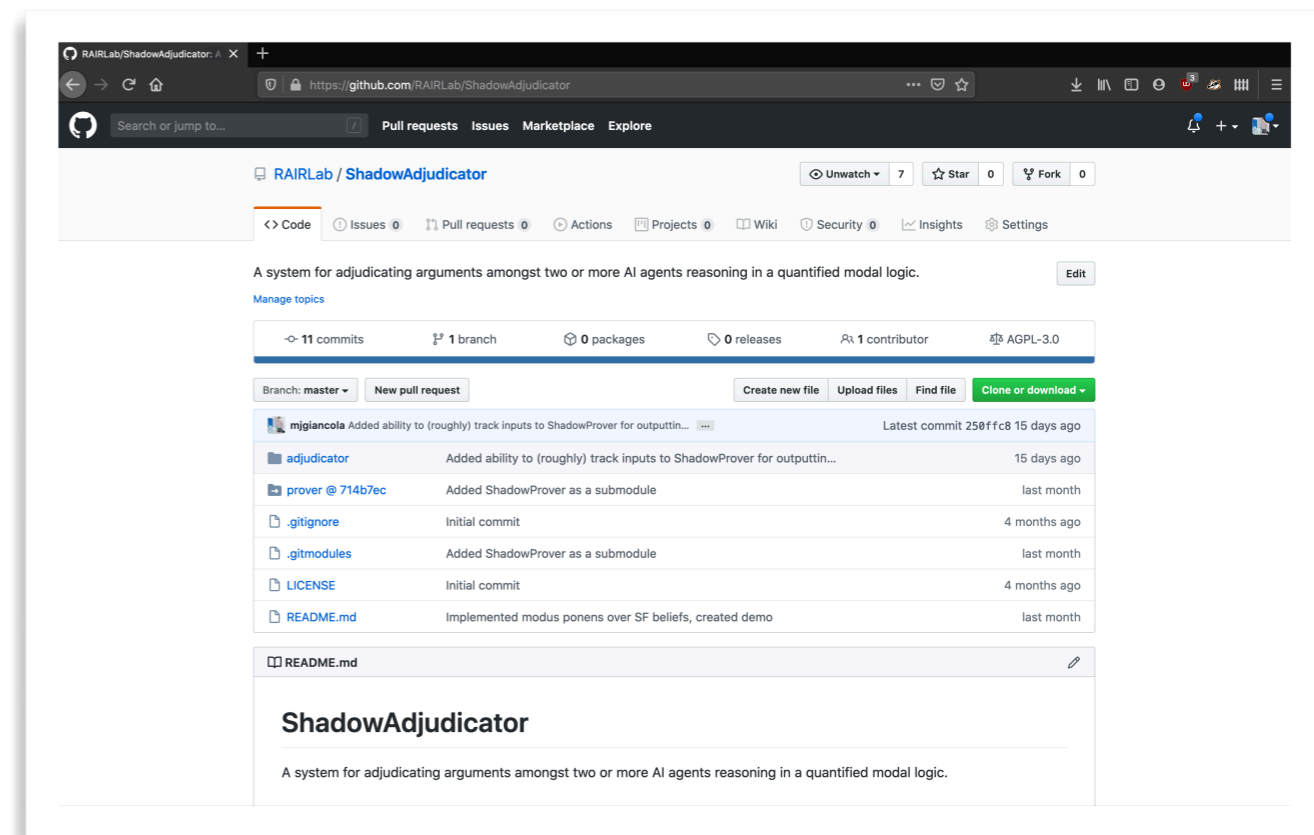
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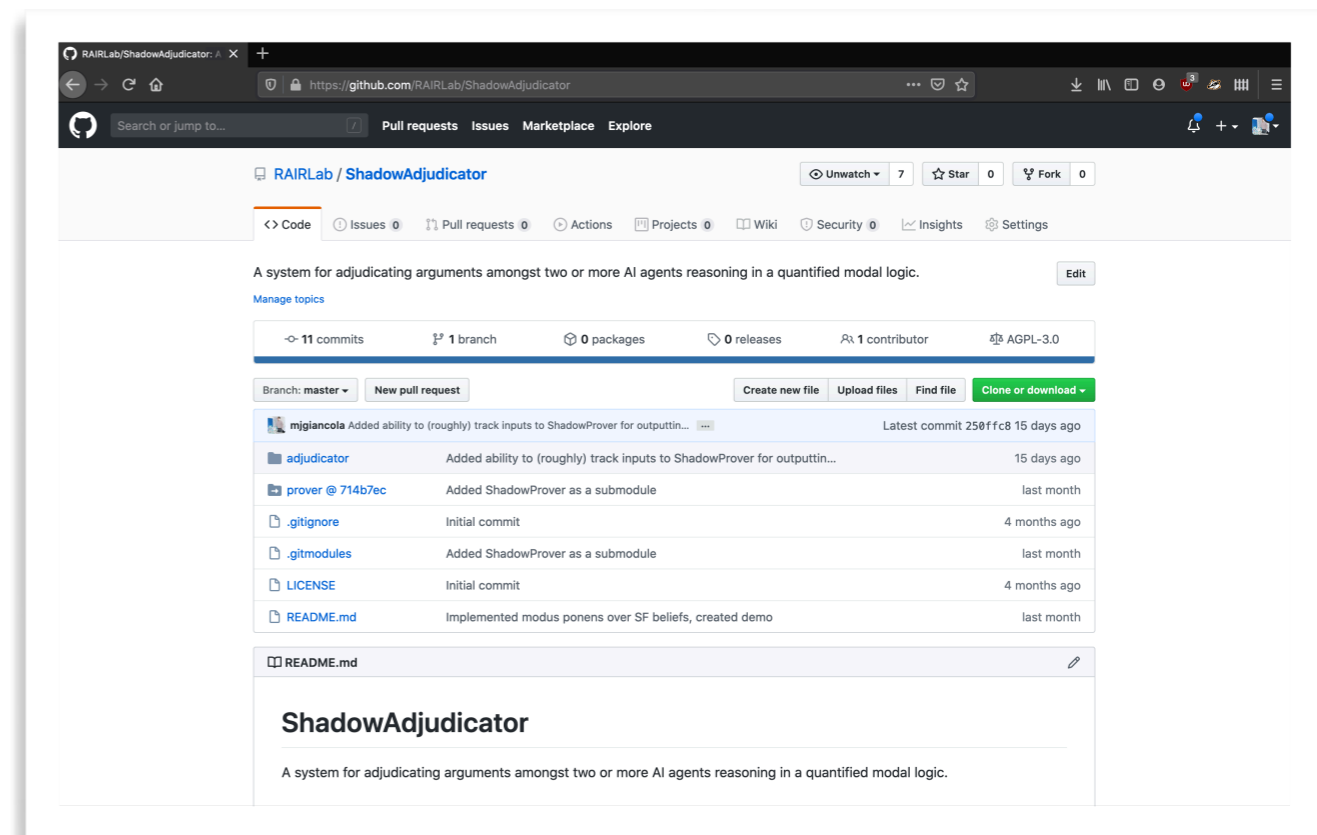
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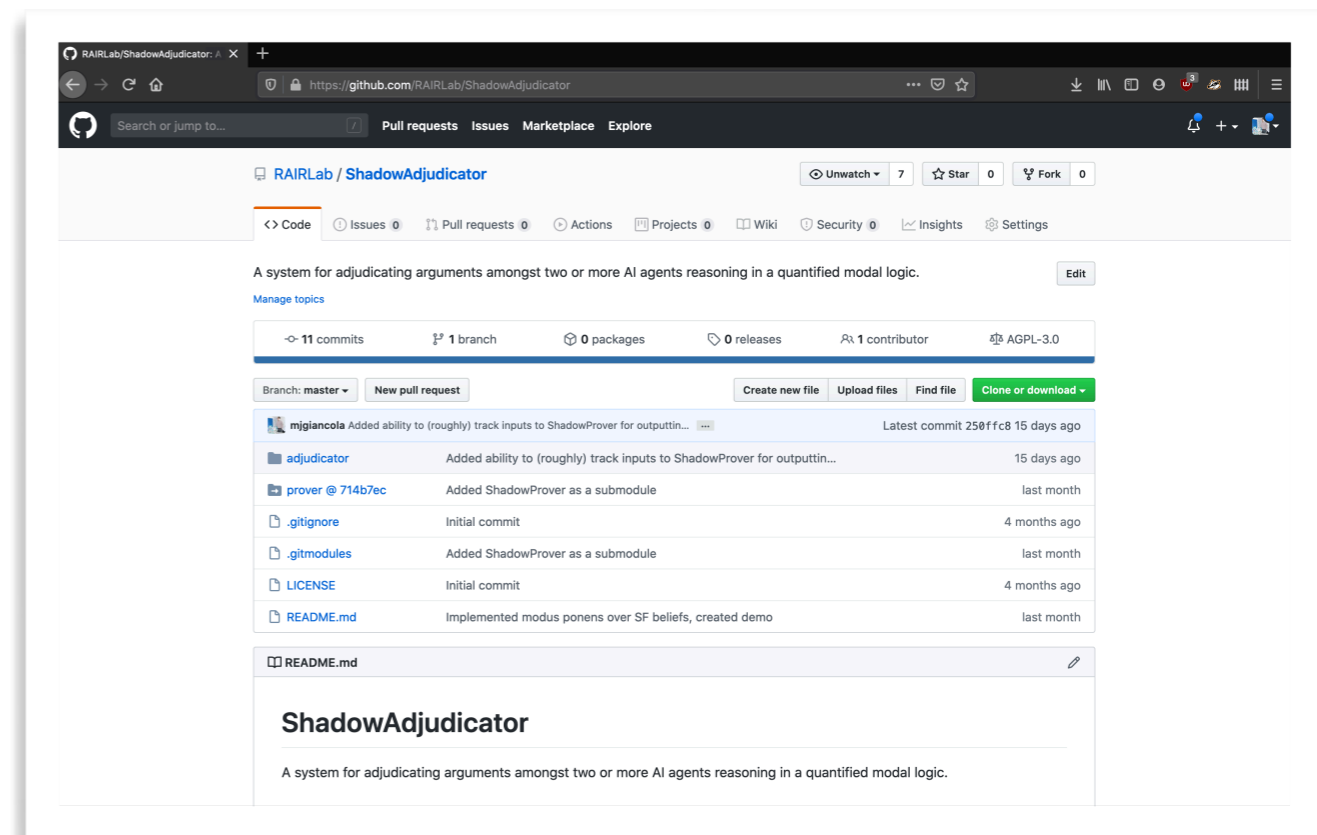
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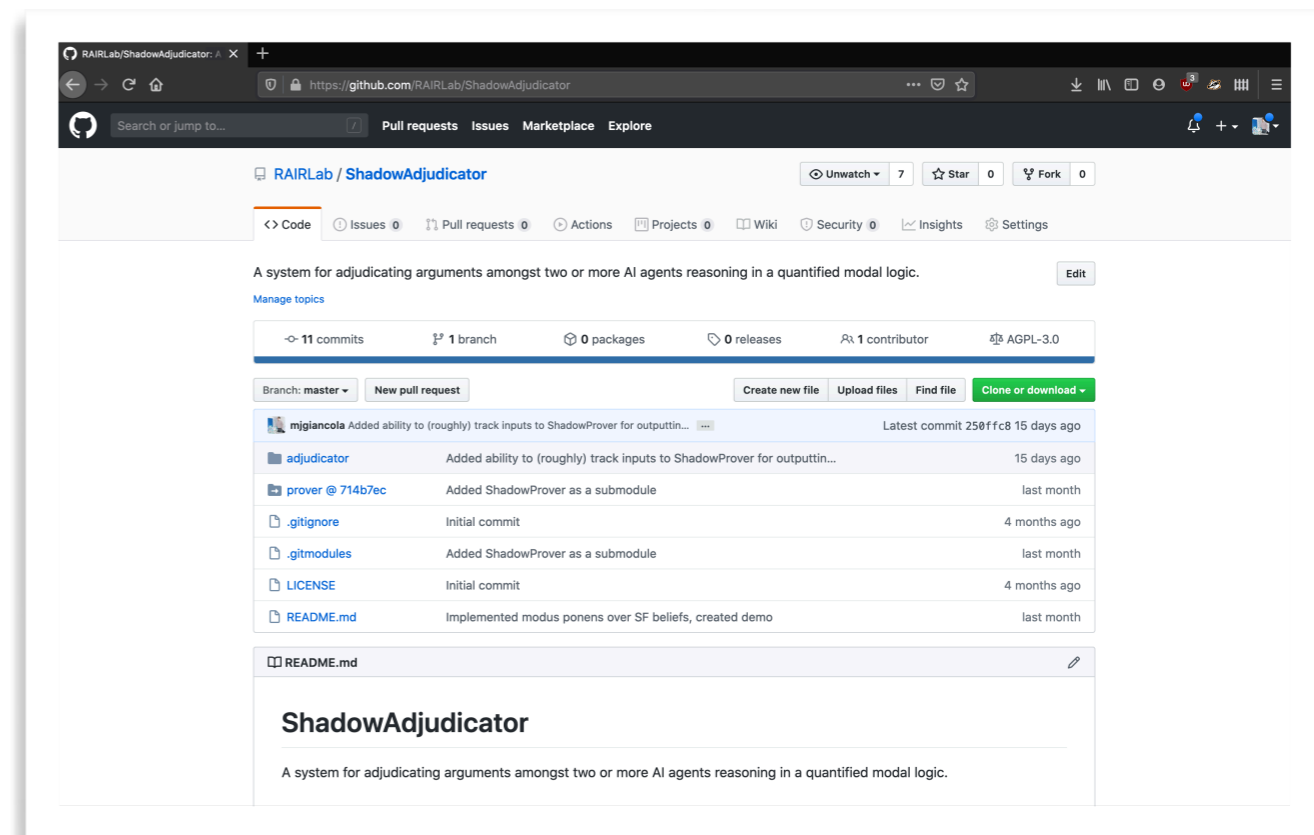
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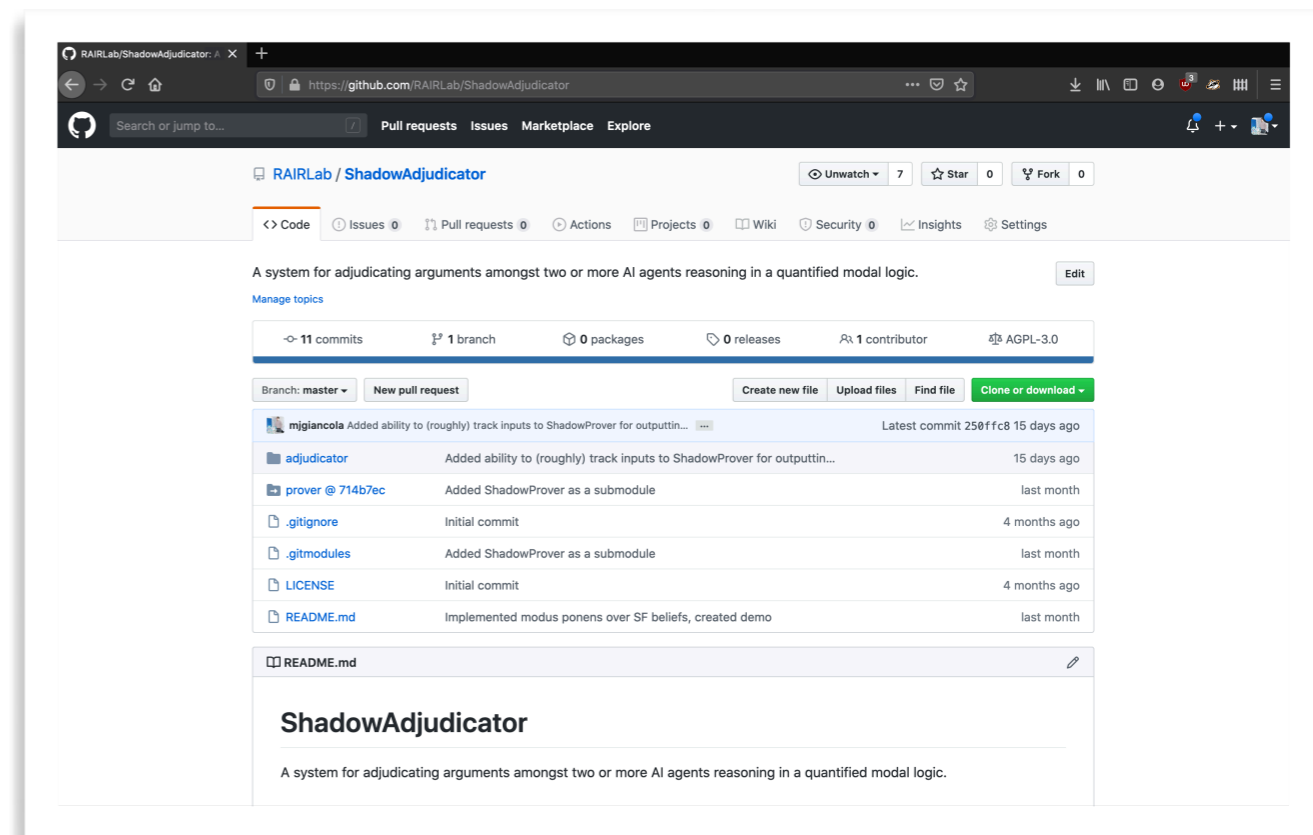
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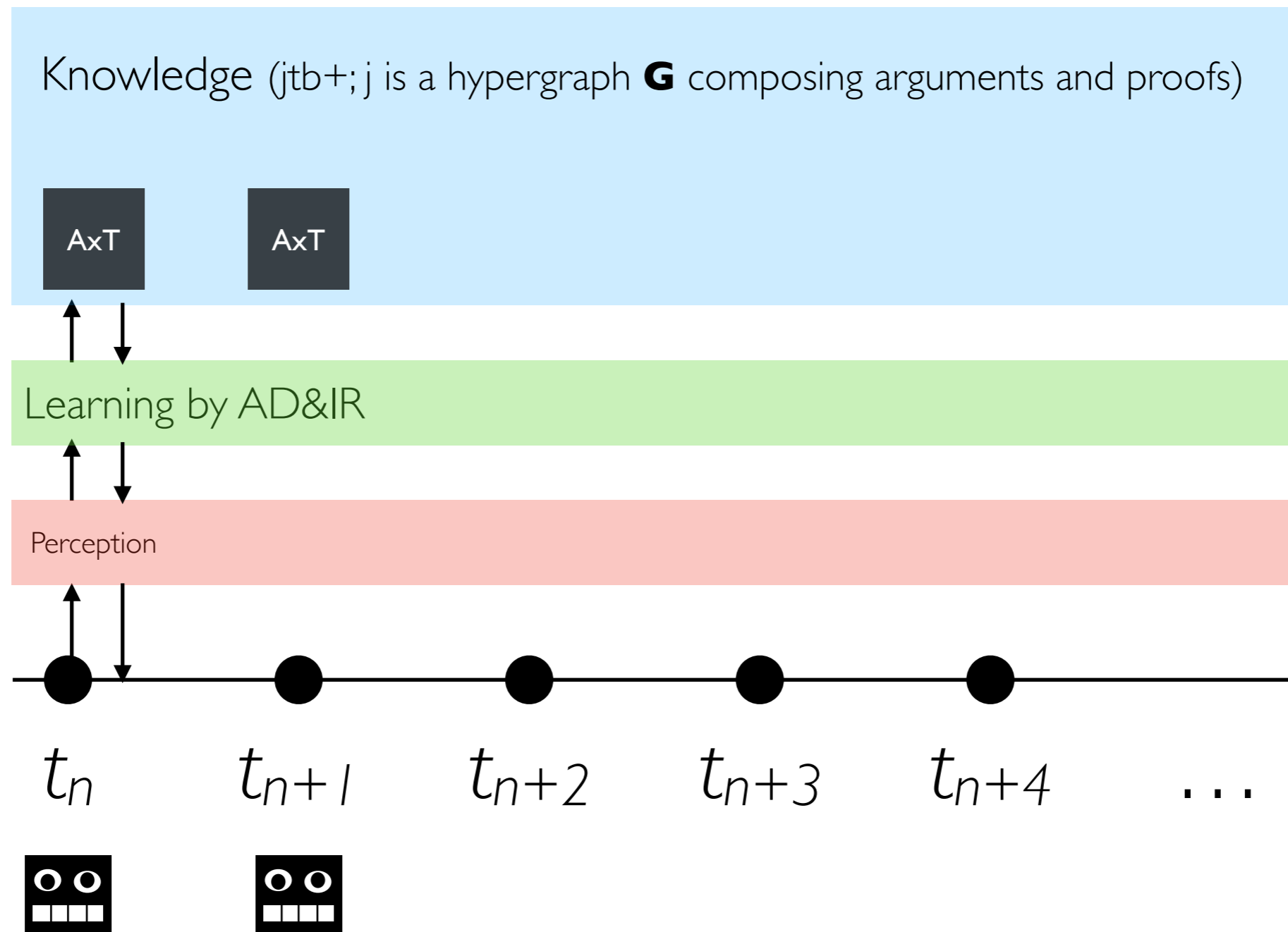
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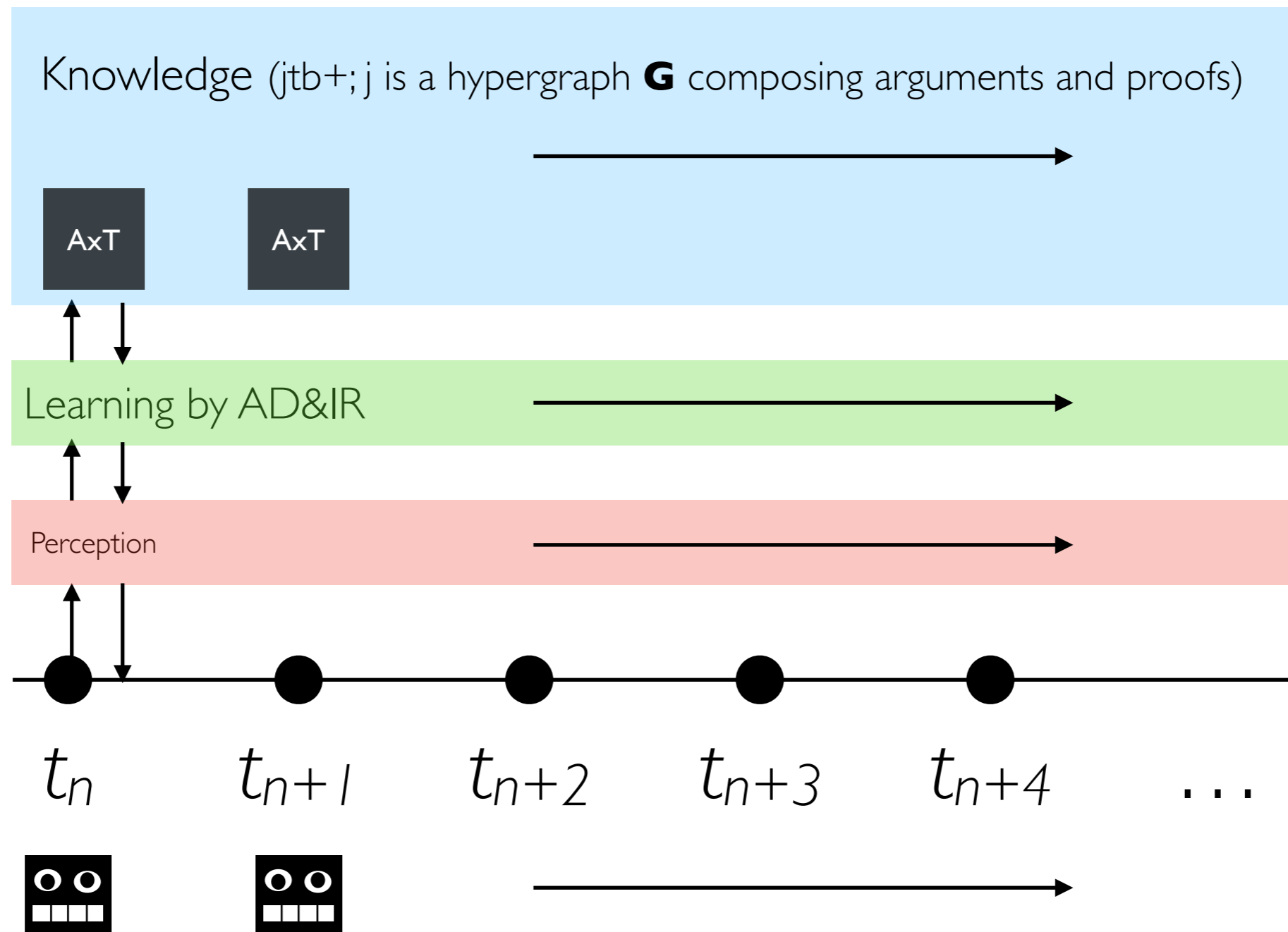
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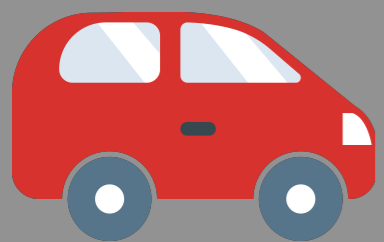


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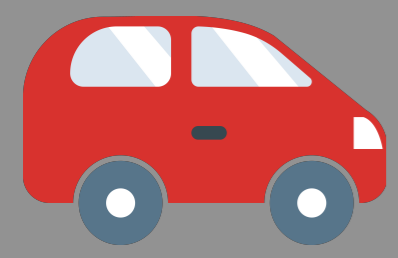


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At the start of the event, the vehicle was in autonomous mode in the rightmost of four lanes traveling in the same direction, and the pedestrian was walking her bicycle across the street starting on the leftmost side of the roadway.



The vehicle's radar first detected the pedestrian **5.6 seconds** before the fatal collision. Less than half a second later, the lidar detected the pedestrian but classified her as **“Other”**.

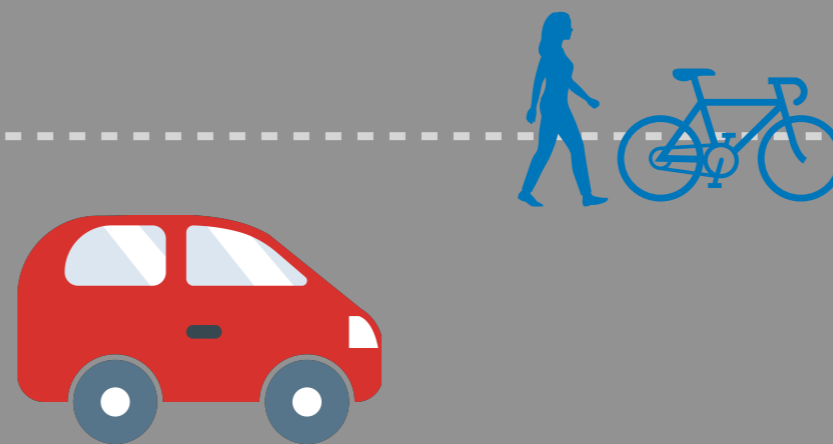




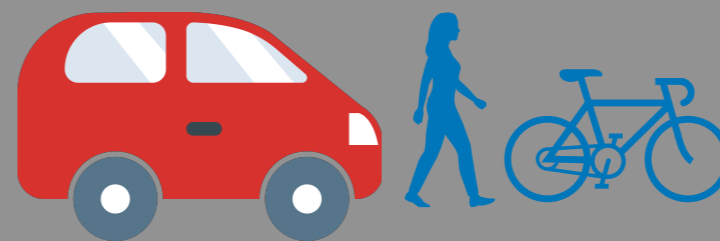
For the next 2.5 seconds, the lidar re-classified her several times, alternating between “Vehicle” and “Other”. The vehicle’s automated-driving system (ADS) attempted to predict her direction of travel several times, but **discarded any previous information about her trajectory every time it reclassified her.**



With 2.6 seconds until collision, the lidar classified her as a bicycle but, as it was yet again changing her classification, discarded any past trajectory information, and hence determined that she was not moving. Up to this point, **the car had not taken any evasive or corrective action.**

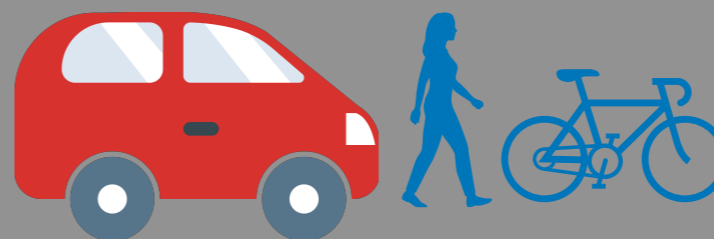


With 1.5 seconds left, the lidar re-classified her yet again, this time as “Unknown”. **The system once again loses all of its tracking history.** However, since at this point the pedestrian had entered the vehicle’s lane, the ADS generated a plan to turn the car to the right to avoid her.



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Now, how our AI  
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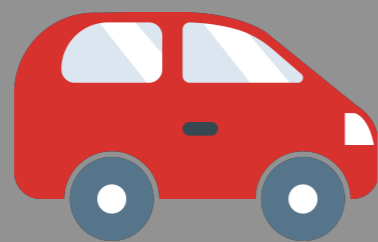
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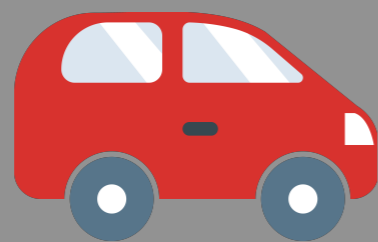


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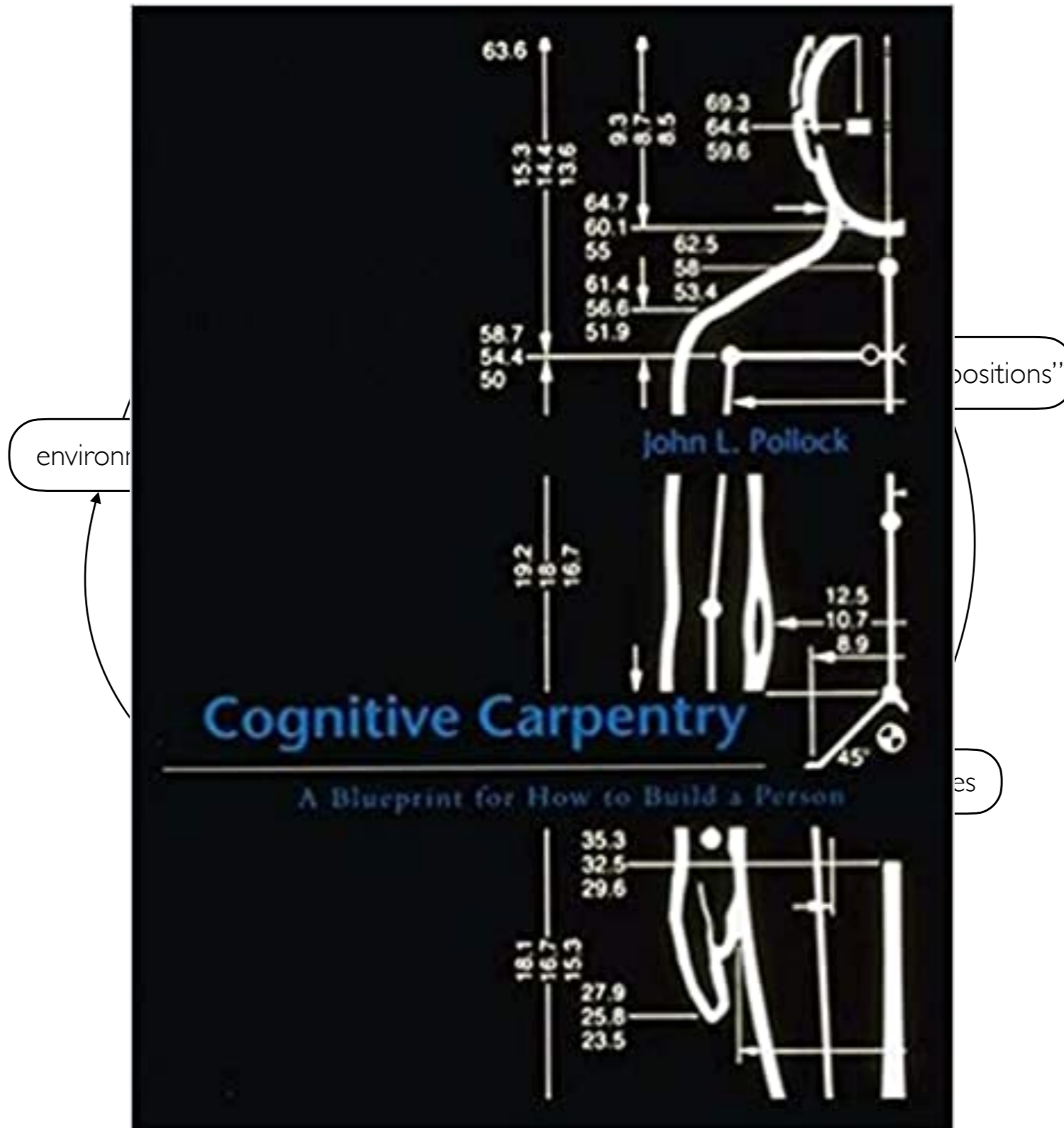
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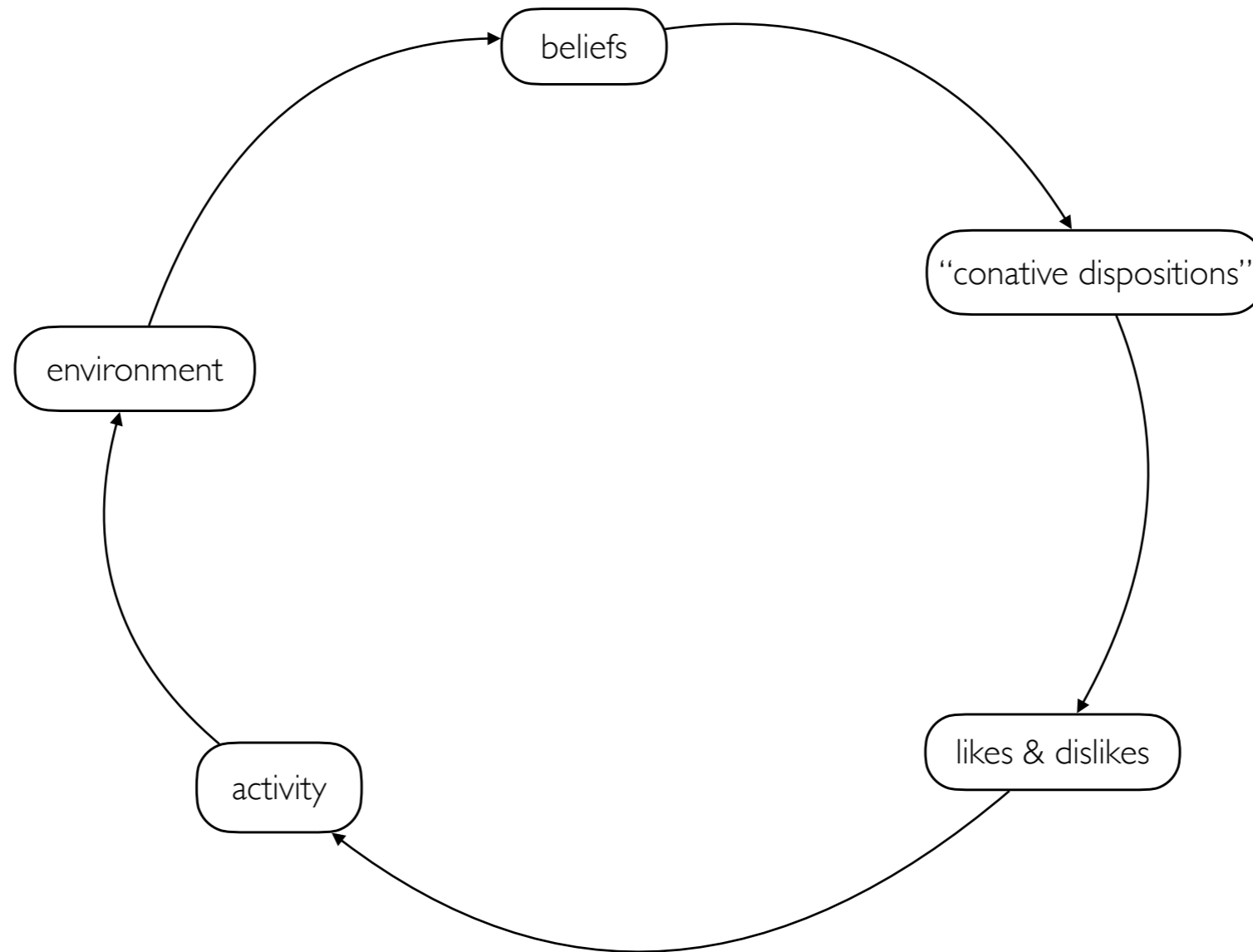
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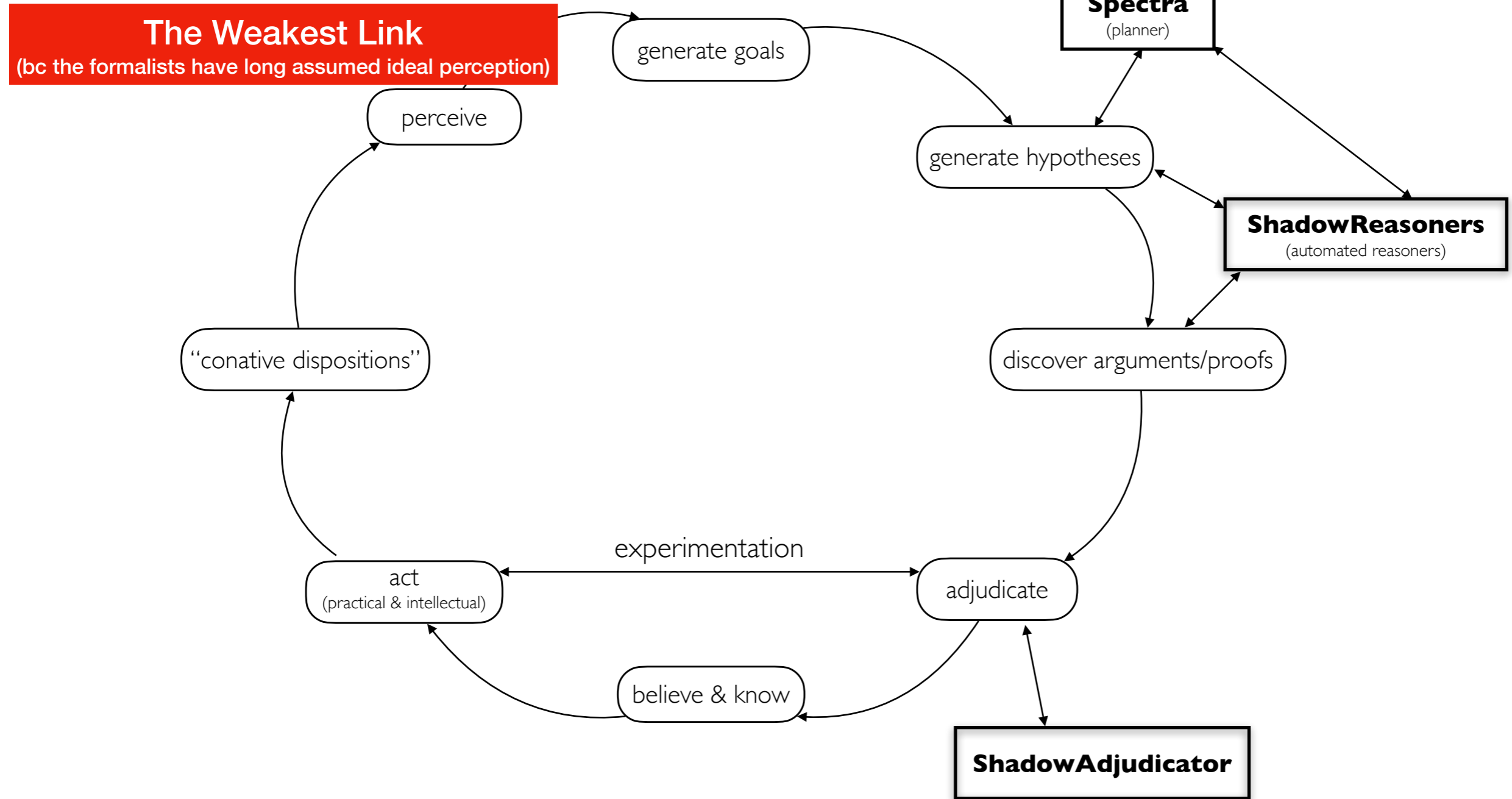
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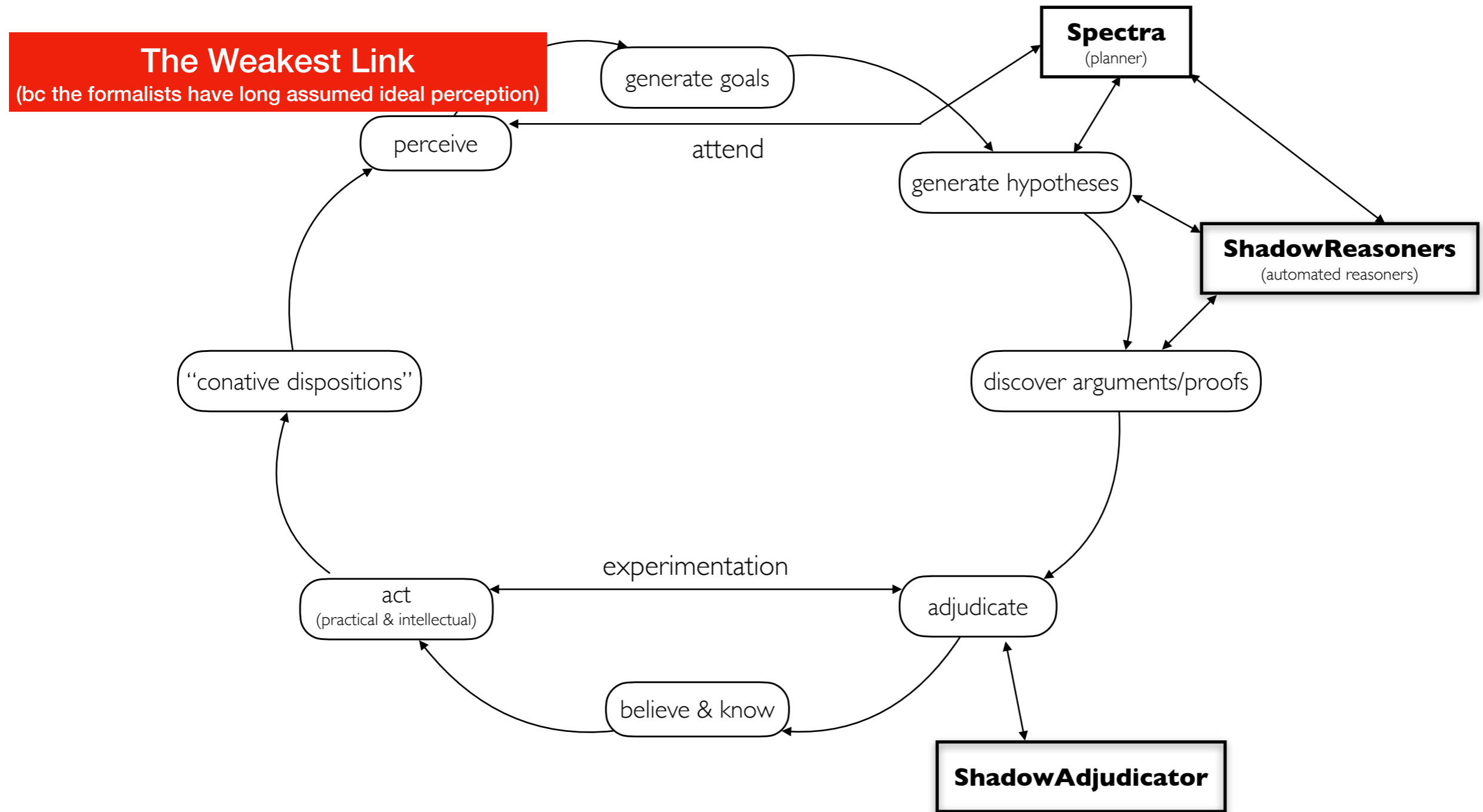


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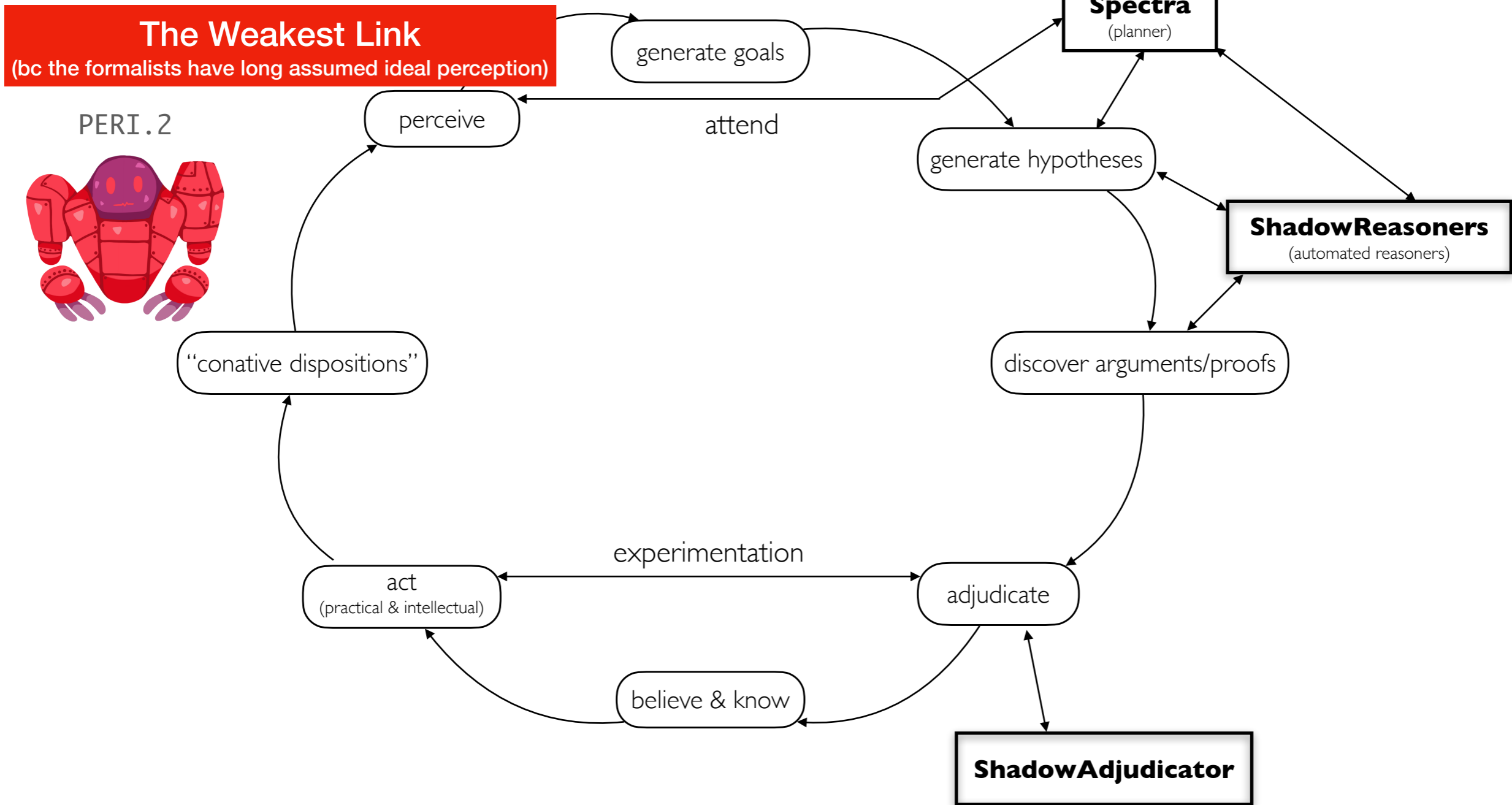




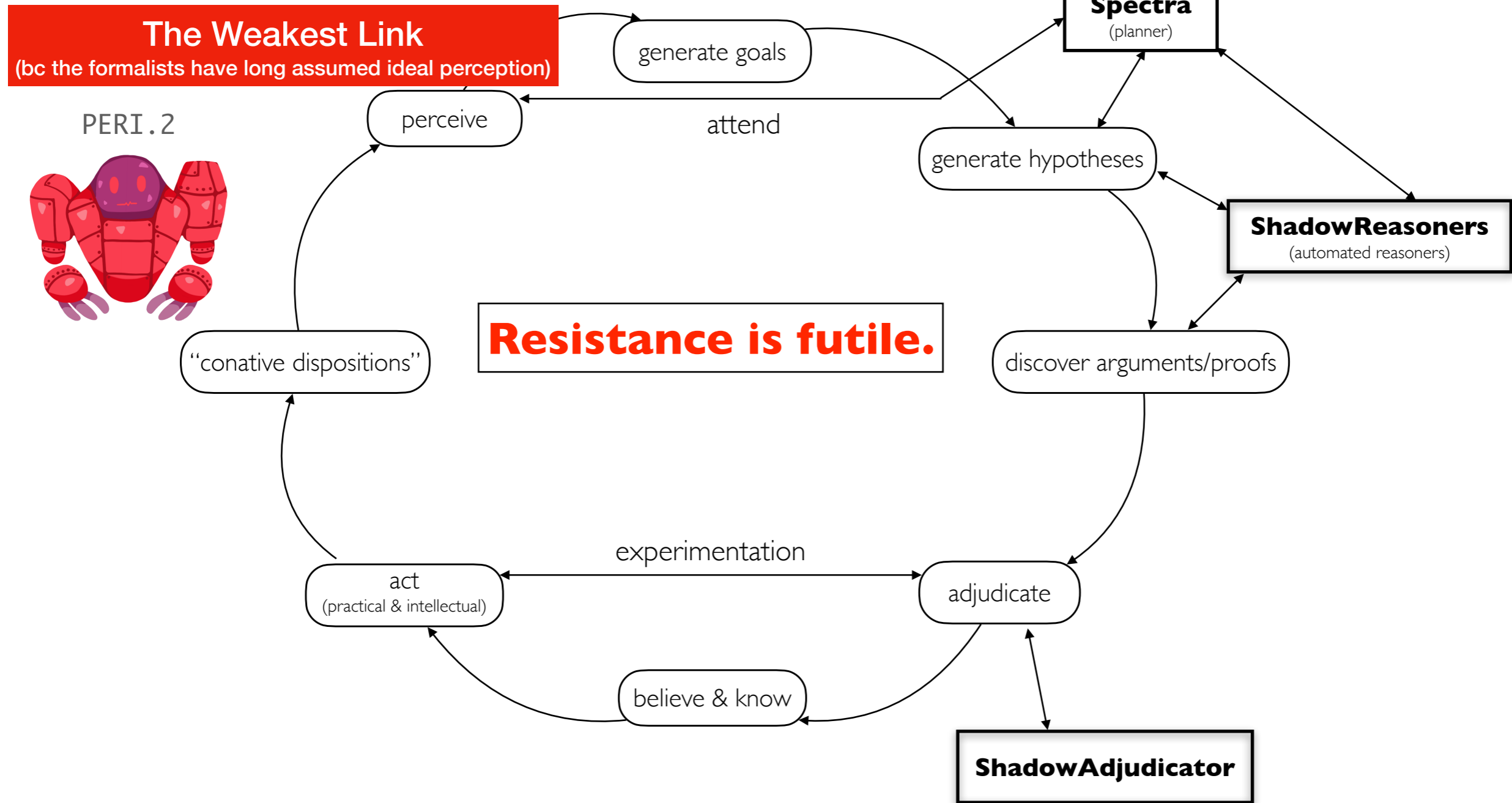
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Epistemically Positive

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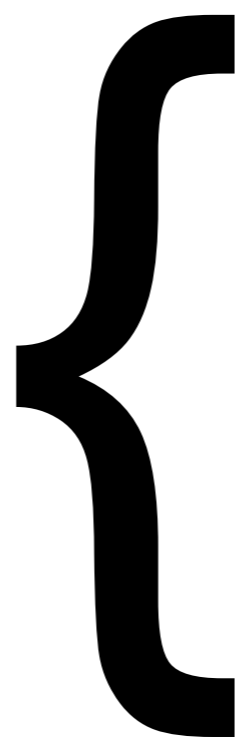
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## DCEC Inference Schemata

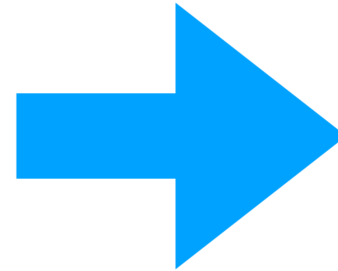
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## DCEC Inference Schemata

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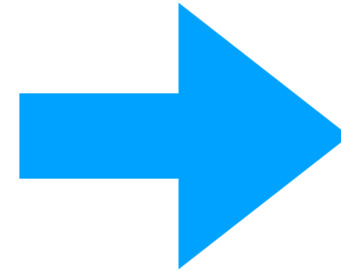
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## DCEC Inference Schemata

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 $\frac{\mathbf{C}(t, \phi) \ t \leq t_1 \dots t \leq t_n}{\mathbf{K}(a_1, t_1, \dots \mathbf{K}(a_n, t_n, \phi) \dots)} [I_3] \quad \frac{\mathbf{K}(a, t, \phi)}{\phi} [I_4]$   
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## 2.2 Inductive Deontic Cognitive Event Calculus

*DCEC* employs no uncertainty system (e.g., probability measures, *strength factors*, or likelihood measures) and hence is purely deductive. Therefore, as we wish to enable our agents to reason about situations involving uncertainty, we must ultimately utilize the *Inductive DCEC: IDCEC*.

In general, to go from a deductive to an inductive cognitive calculus, we require two components: (1) an uncertainty system, and (2) inference schemata that delineate the methods by which inferences linking formulae and other information can be used to build formally valid arguments.

The particular uncertainty system we use herein is discussed in §2.3. The inference schemata of *IDCEC* consist of the union of the set presented in §2.1 with that in the box titled **Additional Inference Schemata for IDCEC**. Likewise, the signature of *IDCEC* subsumes that of the deductive *DCEC*; the syntax of *IDCEC* also includes the forms given in the box titled **Additional Syntax for IDCEC**.

### Additional Syntax for IDCEC

$\phi ::= \{ \mathbf{B}^\sigma(a, t, \phi) \}$   
 where  $\sigma \in [-5, -4, \dots, 4, 5]$

### Additional Inference Schemata for IDCEC

$\frac{\mathbf{P}(a, t_1, \phi_1), \Gamma \vdash t_1 < t_2}{\mathbf{B}^4(a, t_2, \phi)} [I_P^s]$   
 $\frac{\mathbf{B}^{\sigma_1}(a, t_1, \phi_1), \dots, \mathbf{B}^{\sigma_m}(a, t_m, \phi_m), \{\phi_1, \dots, \phi_m\} \vdash \phi, \{\phi_1, \dots, \phi_m\} \not\vdash \zeta, \Gamma \vdash t_i < t}{\mathbf{B}^{\min(\sigma_1, \dots, \sigma_m)}(a, t, \phi)} [I_B^s]$   
 where  $\sigma \in [0, 1, \dots, 5, 6]$   
 $\frac{}{\mathbf{C}(t, \mathbf{B}^{-\sigma}(a, t, \phi) \leftrightarrow \mathbf{B}^\sigma(a, t, \neg\phi))} [I_C^s]$

Briefly,  $\mathbf{B}^\sigma(a, t, \phi)$  denotes that agent  $a$  at time  $t$  believes  $\phi$  with uncertainty  $\sigma$ . We justify in the next section the range of values for  $\sigma$ .

The first inference schema allows agents to infer evident beliefs ( $\sigma = 4$ , as defined in the next section) from what they perceive.<sup>5</sup> The second schema allows agents to infer a belief that is provable from the beliefs they currently assert, so long as the belief set is not inconsistent. In practice, we usually check that the belief set is consistent by attempting to prove a reserved propositional atom  $\zeta$  which does not

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 $\frac{\mathbf{C}(t, \mathbf{P}(a, t, \phi) \rightarrow \mathbf{K}(a, t, \phi))}{\mathbf{C}(t, \phi) \ t \leq t_1 \dots t \leq t_n} [I_1] \quad \frac{\mathbf{C}(t, \mathbf{K}(a, t, \phi) \rightarrow \mathbf{B}(a, t, \phi))}{\mathbf{C}(t, \phi) \ t \leq t_1 \dots t \leq t_n} [I_2]$   
 $\frac{\mathbf{K}(a_1, t_1, \dots, \mathbf{K}(a_n, t_n, \phi) \dots)}{\mathbf{K}(a, t, \phi)} [I_3] \quad \frac{\mathbf{K}(a, t, \phi)}{\phi} [I_4]$   
 $\frac{\mathbf{C}(t, \mathbf{K}(a, t_1, \phi_1 \rightarrow \phi_2)) \rightarrow \mathbf{K}(a, t_2, \phi_1) \rightarrow \mathbf{K}(a, t_3, \phi_2)}{\mathbf{C}(t, \mathbf{K}(a, t_1, \phi_1 \rightarrow \phi_2)) \rightarrow \mathbf{K}(a, t_2, \phi_1) \rightarrow \mathbf{K}(a, t_3, \phi_2)} [I_5]$   
 $\frac{\mathbf{C}(t, \mathbf{B}(a, t_1, \phi_1 \rightarrow \phi_2)) \rightarrow \mathbf{B}(a, t_2, \phi_1) \rightarrow \mathbf{B}(a, t_3, \phi_2)}{\mathbf{C}(t, \mathbf{B}(a, t_1, \phi_1 \rightarrow \phi_2)) \rightarrow \mathbf{B}(a, t_2, \phi_1) \rightarrow \mathbf{B}(a, t_3, \phi_2)} [I_6]$   
 $\frac{\mathbf{C}(t, \mathbf{C}(t_1, \phi_1 \rightarrow \phi_2)) \rightarrow \mathbf{C}(t_2, \phi_1) \rightarrow \mathbf{C}(t_3, \phi_2)}{\mathbf{C}(t, \mathbf{C}(t_1, \phi_1 \rightarrow \phi_2)) \rightarrow \mathbf{C}(t_2, \phi_1) \rightarrow \mathbf{C}(t_3, \phi_2)} [I_7]$   
 $\frac{\mathbf{C}(t, \forall x. \phi \rightarrow \phi[x \mapsto t])}{\mathbf{C}(t, \phi_1 \leftrightarrow \phi_2 \rightarrow \neg\phi_2 \rightarrow \neg\phi_1)} [I_8] \quad \frac{\mathbf{C}(t, \phi_1 \leftrightarrow \phi_2 \rightarrow \neg\phi_2 \rightarrow \neg\phi_1)}{\mathbf{C}(t, \phi_1 \leftrightarrow \phi_2 \rightarrow \neg\phi_2 \rightarrow \neg\phi_1)} [I_9]$   
 $\frac{\mathbf{C}(t, [\phi_1 \wedge \dots \wedge \phi_n \rightarrow \phi] \rightarrow [\phi_1 \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow \phi_n \rightarrow \phi])}{\mathbf{C}(t, [\phi_1 \wedge \dots \wedge \phi_n \rightarrow \phi] \rightarrow [\phi_1 \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow \phi_n \rightarrow \phi])} [I_{10}]$   
 $\frac{\mathbf{B}(a, t, \phi) \ \mathbf{B}(a, t, \phi \rightarrow \psi)}{\mathbf{B}(a, t, \psi)} [I_{11a}] \quad \frac{\mathbf{B}(a, t, \phi) \ \mathbf{B}(a, t, \psi)}{\mathbf{B}(a, t, \phi \wedge \psi)} [I_{11b}]$   
 $\frac{\mathbf{S}(s, h, t, \phi)}{\mathbf{B}(h, t, \mathbf{B}(s, t, \phi))} [I_{12}] \quad \frac{\mathbf{I}(a, t, \text{happens}(\text{action}(a^*, \alpha), t'))}{\mathbf{P}(a, t, \text{happens}(\text{action}(a^*, \alpha), t'))} [I_{13}]$   
 $\frac{\mathbf{B}(a, t, \phi) \ \mathbf{B}(a, t, \mathbf{O}(a, t, \phi, \chi)) \ \mathbf{O}(a, t, \phi, \chi)}{\mathbf{K}(a, t, \mathbf{I}(a, t, \chi))} [I_{14}]$

## 2.2 Inductive Deontic Cognitive Event Calculus

*DCCEC* employs no uncertainty system (e.g., probability measures, *strength factors*, or likelihood measures) and hence is purely deductive. Therefore, as we wish to enable our agents to reason about situations involving uncertainty, we must ultimately utilize the *Inductive DCCEC: IDCCEC*.

In general, to go from a deductive to an inductive cognitive calculus, we require two components: (1) an uncertainty system, and (2) inference schemata that delineate the methods by which inferences linking formulae and other information can be used to build formally valid arguments.

The particular uncertainty system we use herein is discussed in §2.3. The inference schemata of *IDCCEC* consist of the union of the set presented in §2.1 with that in the box titled **Additional Inference Schemata for IDCCEC**. Likewise, the signature of *IDCCEC* subsumes that of the deductive *DCCEC*; the syntax of *IDCCEC* also includes the forms given in the box titled **Additional Syntax for IDCCEC**.

### Additional Syntax for IDCCEC

$\phi ::= \{ \mathbf{B}^\sigma(a, t, \phi) \}$   
 where  $\sigma \in [-5, -4, \dots, 4, 5]$

### Additional Inference Schemata for IDCCEC

$\frac{\mathbf{P}(a, t_1, \phi_1), \Gamma \vdash t_1 < t_2}{\mathbf{B}^4(a, t_2, \phi)} [I_P^s]$   
 $\frac{\mathbf{B}^{\sigma_1}(a, t_1, \phi_1), \dots, \mathbf{B}^{\sigma_m}(a, t_m, \phi_m), \{\phi_1, \dots, \phi_m\} \vdash \phi, \{\phi_1, \dots, \phi_m\} \not\vdash \zeta, \Gamma \vdash t_i < t}{\mathbf{B}^{\min(\sigma_1, \dots, \sigma_m)}(a, t, \phi)} [I_B^s]$   
 where  $\sigma \in [0, 1, \dots, 5, 6]$   
 $\frac{}{\mathbf{C}(t, \mathbf{B}^{-\sigma}(a, t, \phi) \leftrightarrow \mathbf{B}^\sigma(a, t, \neg\phi))} [I_C^s]$

Briefly,  $\mathbf{B}^\sigma(a, t, \phi)$  denotes that agent  $a$  at time  $t$  believes  $\phi$  with uncertainty  $\sigma$ . We justify in the next section the range of values for  $\sigma$ .

The first inference schema allows agents to infer evident beliefs ( $\sigma = 4$ , as defined in the next section) from what they perceive.<sup>5</sup> The second schema allows agents to infer a belief that is provable from the beliefs they currently assert, so long as the belief set is not inconsistent. In practice, we usually check that the belief set is consistent by attempting to prove a reserved propositional atom  $\zeta$  which does not



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