

Learning Perceptual Inference by Contrasting

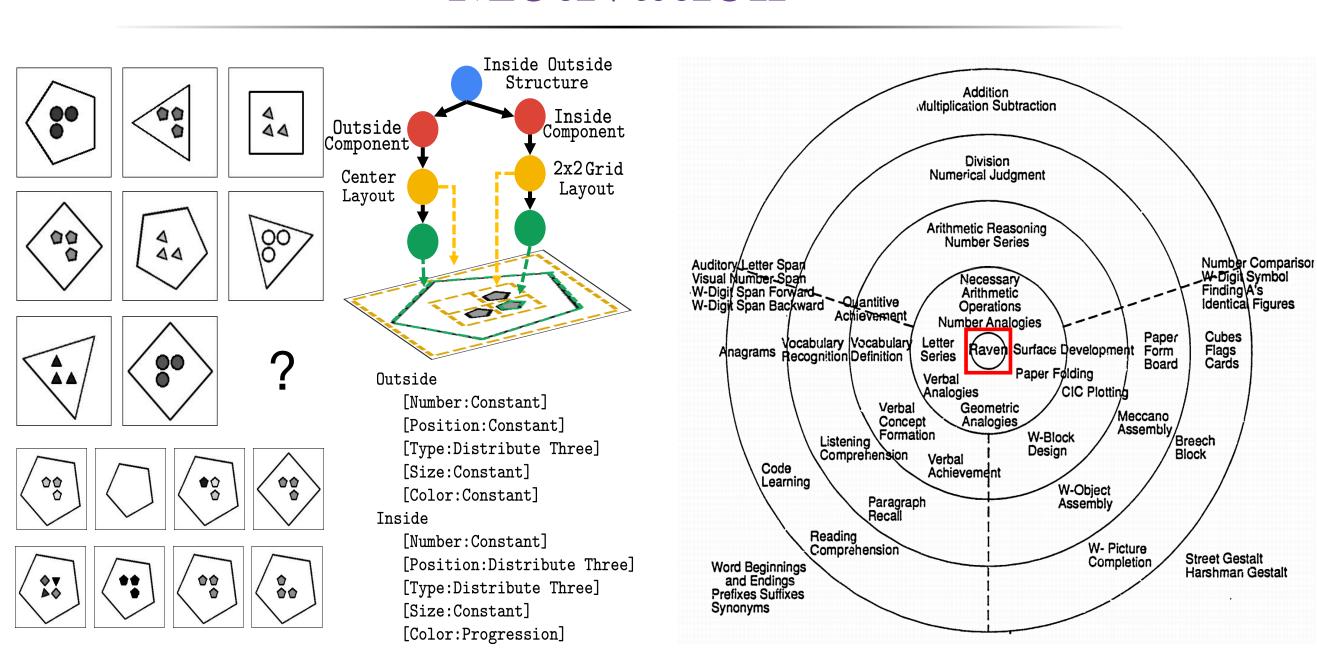
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Motivation



Raven's Progressive Matrices

Cognitive Ability Test

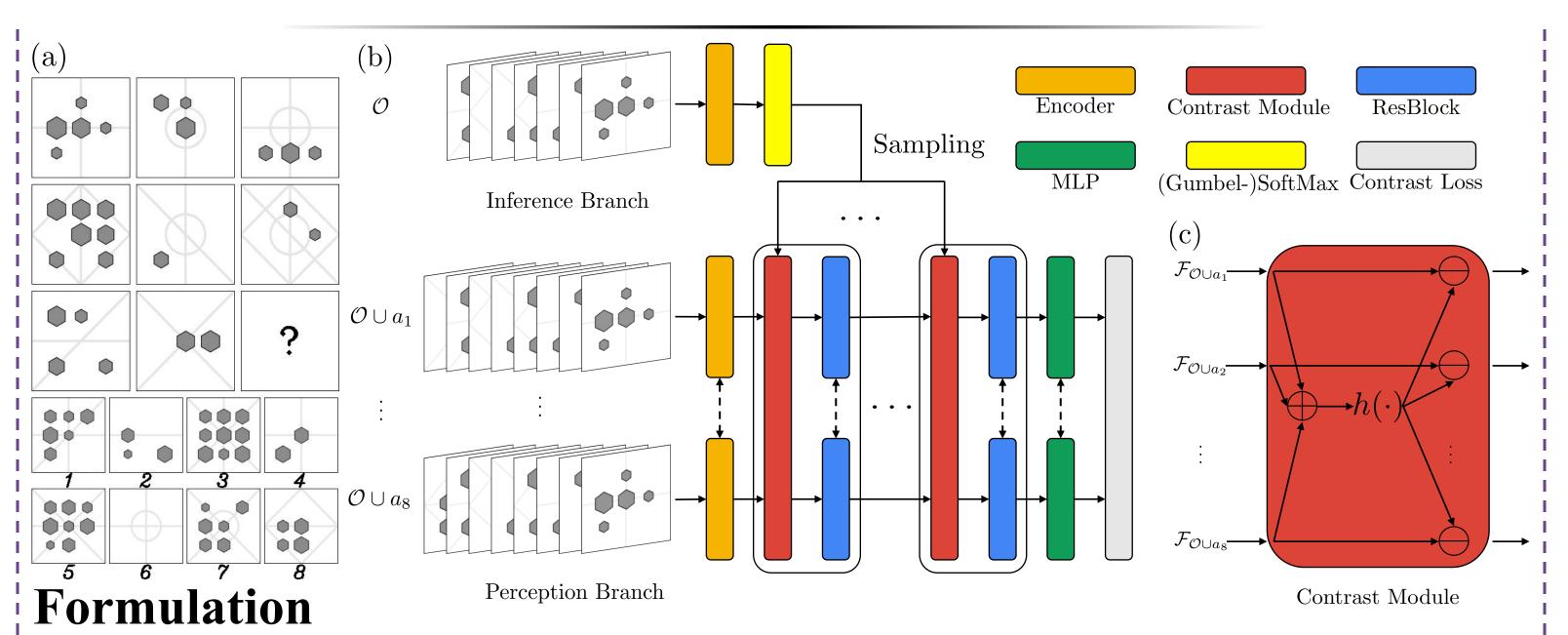
What is *not so right* about previous methods:

- Permutation sensitivity. Raven's Progressive Matrices (RPM) should be permutation-invariant with respect to swapped rows or columns and answer set permutation.
- Classification? We argue that answers should be ranked according to its *appropriateness*. A "wrong" answer doesn't mean it is wrong in every way.

We are inspired by the following perspectives:

- Study on contrast effects on cognitive science, biology, and computer science.
- Interplay between perception and inference detailed in Carpenter et al. for humans to solve RPM.
- Permutation-invariance is required.
- Treating it as ranking rather than classification.

CoPINet



- A ranking perspective $p(a_{\star}|\mathcal{O}) \geq p(a'|\mathcal{O}), \quad \forall a' \in \mathcal{A}, a' \neq a_{\star}$
- Contrast
 Model-level contrast Contrast(\(\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{O} \cup a} \)) = \(\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{O} \cup a} h \left(\sum_{a' \in \mathcal{A}} \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{O} \cup a'} \right) \)
 Objective-level contrast
 - Model $p(a|\mathcal{O}) = \frac{1}{Z} \exp(f(\mathcal{O} \cup a))$ and take $\log \log p(a_{\star}|\mathcal{O}) \log p(a'|\mathcal{O}) = f(\mathcal{O} \cup a_{\star}) f(\mathcal{O} \cup a') \ge 0$
 - Push the difference to *infinity* $f(\mathcal{O} \cup a_{\star}) f(\mathcal{O} \cup a') \to \infty \iff \sigma(f(\mathcal{O} \cup a_{\star}) f(\mathcal{O} \cup a')) \to 1$
 - Transform it into sufficient conditions $f(\mathcal{O} \cup a_{\star}) b(\mathcal{O} \cup a_{\star}) \to \infty \iff \sigma(f(\mathcal{O} \cup a_{\star}) b(\mathcal{O} \cup a_{\star})) \to 1$ $f(\mathcal{O} \cup a') b(\mathcal{O} \cup a') \to -\infty \iff \sigma(f(\mathcal{O} \cup a') b(\mathcal{O} \cup a')) \to 0$
- Loss $\ell = \log(\sigma(f(\mathcal{O} \cup a_{\star}) b(\mathcal{O} \cup a_{\star}))) + \sum \log(1 \sigma(f(\mathcal{O} \cup a') b(\mathcal{O} \cup a')))$

Perceptual Inference

- Take hidden rules into consideration $\log p(a|\mathcal{O}) = \log \sum_{\mathcal{T}} p(a|\mathcal{T},\mathcal{O}) p(\mathcal{T}|\mathcal{O}) = \log \mathbb{E}_{\mathcal{T} \sim p(\mathcal{T}|\mathcal{O})} [p(a|\mathcal{T},\mathcal{O})]$
- Loss $\ell = \log(\sigma(f(\mathcal{O} \cup a_{\star}, \hat{\mathcal{T}}) b(\mathcal{O} \cup a_{\star}))) + \sum \log(1 \sigma(f(\mathcal{O} \cup a', \hat{\mathcal{T}}) b(\mathcal{O} \cup a')))$

Performance

General performance and ablation on RAVEN

Method	Acc	Center	2x2Grid	3x3Grid	L-R	U-D	O-IC	O-IG
LSTM	13.07%	13.19%	14.13%	13.69%	12.84%	12.35%	12.15%	12.99%
WReN-NoTag-Aux	17.62%	17.66%	29.02%	34.67%	7.69%	7.89%	12.30%	13.94%
CNN	36.97%	33.58%	30.30%	33.53%	39.43%	41.26%	43.20%	37.54%
ResNet	53.43%	52.82%	41.86%	44.29%	58.77%	60.16%	63.19%	53.12%
ResNet+DRT	59.56%	58.08%	46.53%	50.40%	65.82%	67.11%	69.09%	60.11%
CoPINet	91.42 %	95.05 %	77.45 %	78.85 %	99.10 %	99.65 %	98.50 %	91.35 %
WReN-NoTag-NoAux	15.07%	12.30%	28.62%	29.22%	7.20%	6.55%	8.33%	13.10%
WReN-Tag-NoAux	17.94%	15.38%	29.81%	32.94%	11.06%	10.96%	11.06%	14.54%
WReN-Tag-Aux	33.97%	58.38%	38.89%	37.70%	21.58%	19.74%	38.84%	22.57%
CoPINet-Backbone-XE	20.75%	24.00%	23.25%	23.05%	15.00%	13.90%	21.25%	24.80%
CoPINet-Contrast-XE	86.16%	87.25%	71.05%	74.45%	97.25%	97.05%	93.20%	82.90%
CoPINet-Contrast-CL	90.04%	94.30%	74.00%	76.85%	99.05%	99.35%	98.00%	88.70%
Human	84.41%	95.45%	81.82%	79.55%	86.36%	81.81%	86.36%	81.81%
Solver	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

General performance and ablation on PGM

Method	CNN	LSTM	ResNet	Wild-ResNe	et WReN-NoTag-	Aux CoPINet	
Acc	33.00%	35.80%	42.00%	48.00%	49.10%	56.37 %	
Method	WReN-NoT	Tag-NoAux	WReN-I	NoTag-Aux	WReN-Tag-NoAux	WReN-Tag-Aux	
Acc	39.25%		49.10%		62.45%	77.94%	
Method	CoPINet-Ba	ckbone-XE	CoPINet-	Contrast-XE	CoPINet-Contrast-CL	CoPINet	
Acc	42.10%		51	.04%	54.19%	56.37%	

Small data learning of CoPINet on RAVEN and PGM

- Log-linear on RAVEN
- Log-quadratic on PGM

ic on PGM Remaining Questions 102 104 Training set size

- Generalization: Generalize to other configurations
- Generability: Answer generation
- Transferability: Apply knowledge learned elsewhere

