

# LISA

## Linguistically-Informed Self-Attention for Semantic Role Labeling



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# Want fast, accurate, robust NLP

## Nobel laureate Donna Strickland: 'I see myself as a scientist, not a woman'

*For Just the Third Time in 117 Years, a Woman Wins the Nobel Prize in Physics*



The first female recipient of a Nobel Prize in Physics since 1903, Strickland has become a role model for young women in science.

**Speaking of Science**

## Nobel Prize in physics awarded for 'tools made of light'; first woman in 55 years honored

By Sarah Kaplan  
October 2, 2018

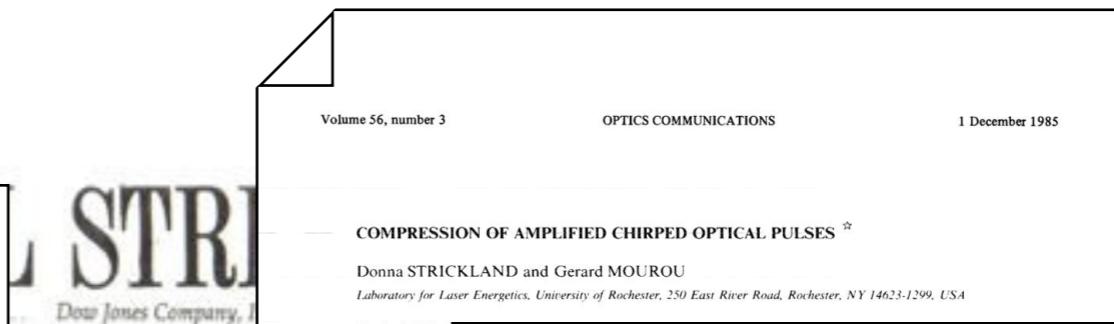
The 2018 Nobel Prize in physics was awarded Tuesday to Arthur Ashkin, Gérard Mourou and Donna Strickland for their pioneering work to turn lasers into powerful tools.

Ashkin, a researcher at Bell Laboratories in New Jersey, invented "optical tweezers" — focused beams of light that can be used to grab particles, atoms and even living cells and are now widely used to study the machinery of life.

Mourou, of École Polytechnique in France and the University of Michigan, and Strickland, of the University of Waterloo in Canada, "paved the way" for the most powerful lasers ever created by humans via a technique that stretches and then amplifies the light beam.

"Billions of people make daily use of optical disk drive, laser printers and optical scanners . . . millions undergo laser surgery," Nobel committee member Olga Botner said. "The laser is truly one of the many examples of how a so-called blue sky discovery in a fundamental science eventually may transform our daily lives."

Strickland is the first woman to be awarded the physics prize since 1963, when Maria Goeppert-Mayer was recognized for her work on the structure of atomic nuclei. Marie Curie won the physics prize in 1903 and the chemistry Nobel Prize in 1911.



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COMPRESSION OF AMPLIFIED CHIRPED OPTICAL PULSES \*

Donna STRICKLAND and Gerard MOUROU  
*Laboratory for Laser Energetics, University of Rochester, 250 East River Road, Rochester, NY 14623-1299, USA*

Received 5 July

We have demo 1.06 μm laser pu

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\* This is a corrected ver Comm. 55 (1985) 447 was printed as fig. 1.

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**STEM Gems** @STEMGemsBook

#STEMGems 💎 "Physicist #DonnaStrickland, a self-described 'laser jock' who prefers to keep a low profile, won the @NobelPrize in Physics. She is the 3rd woman ever to win the Nobel Prize in Physics. She calls 'surprise' her Nobel win. #GirlsInSTEM"

**SECOND EDITION**

**NOBEL PRIZE WOMEN IN SCIENCE**

*Their Lives, Struggles, AND Momentous Discoveries*

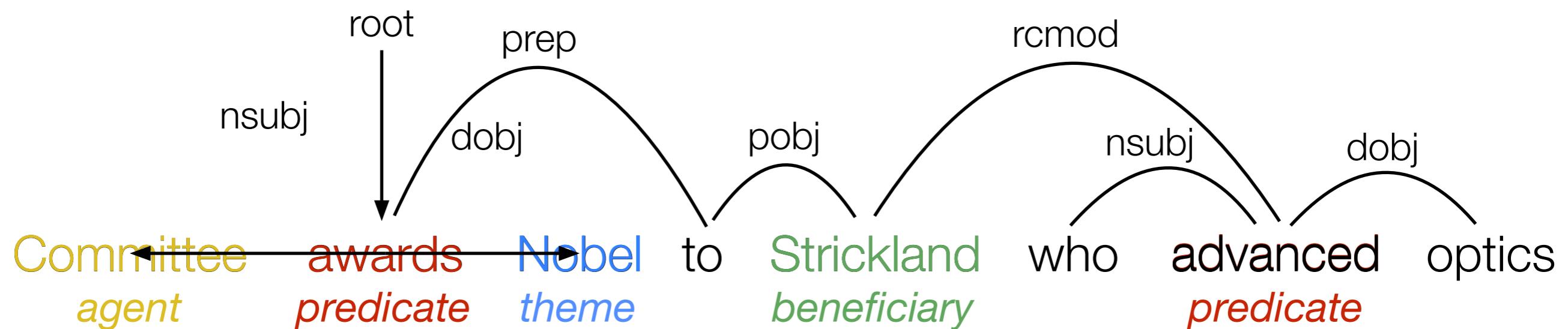
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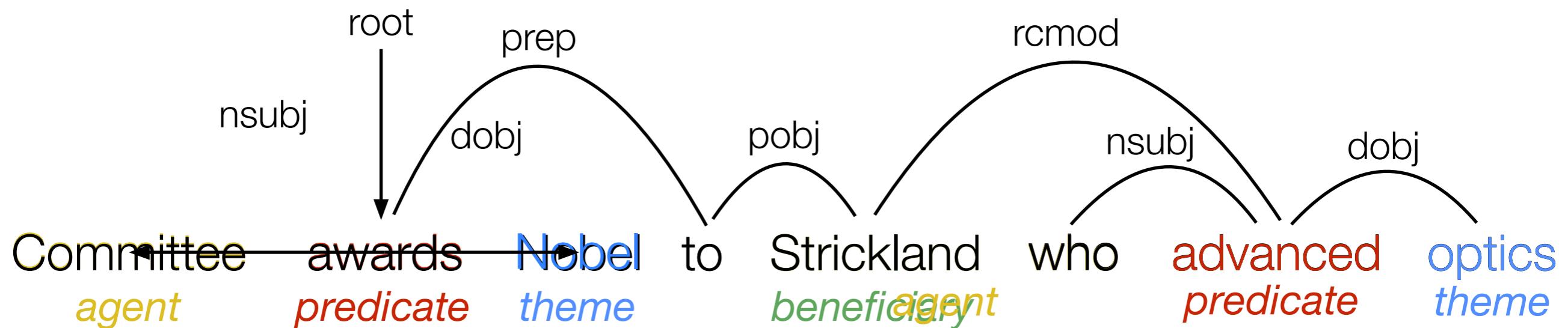
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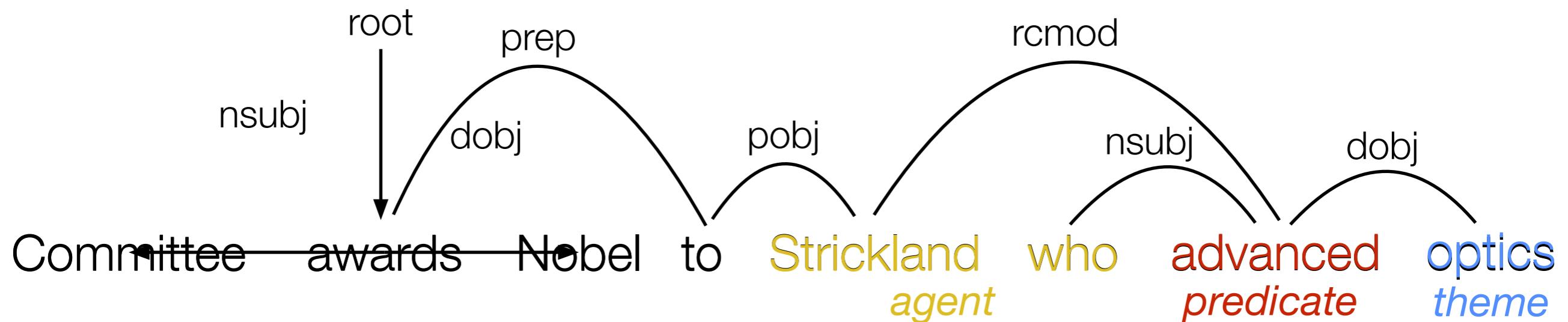
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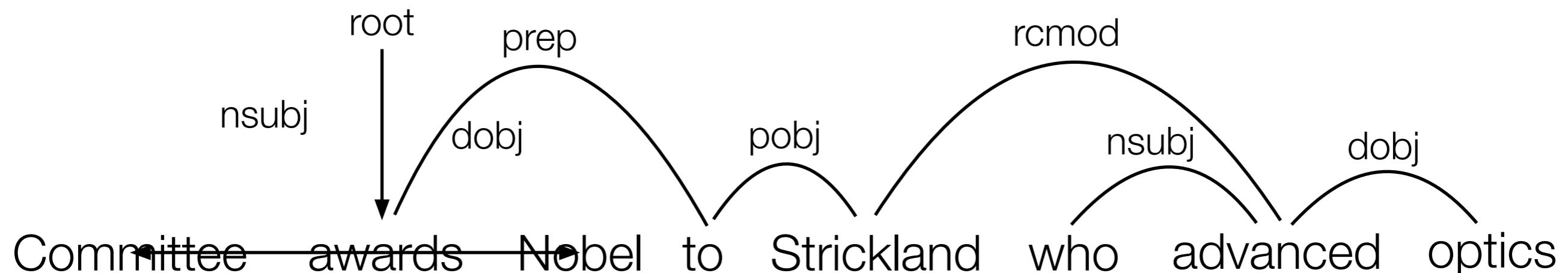


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Committee awards Nobel to Strickland who advanced optics  
*agent*      *predicate*    *theme*      *beneficiary*      *who*      *advanced*    *optics*

# PropBank SRL: Who did what to whom?



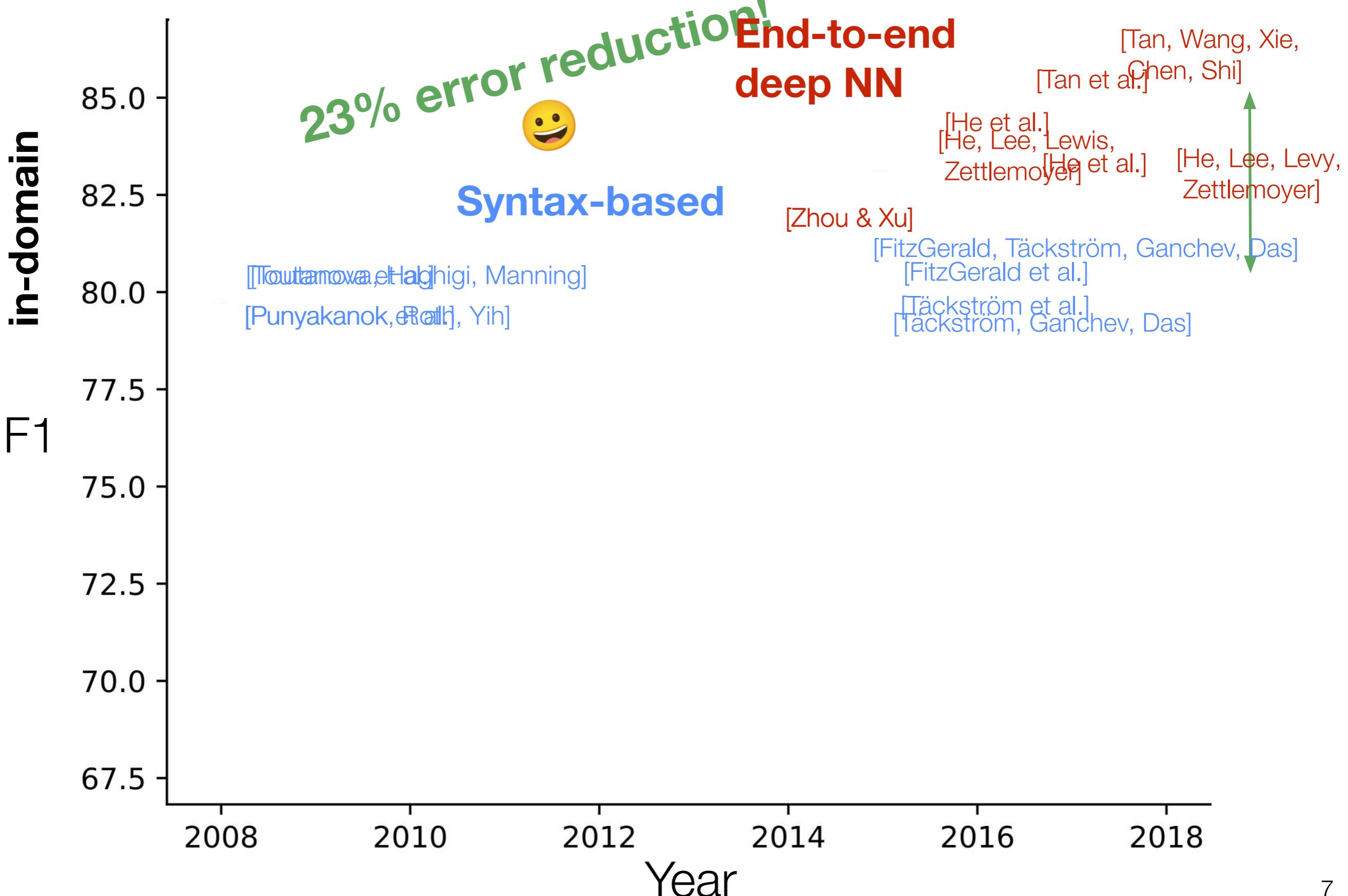
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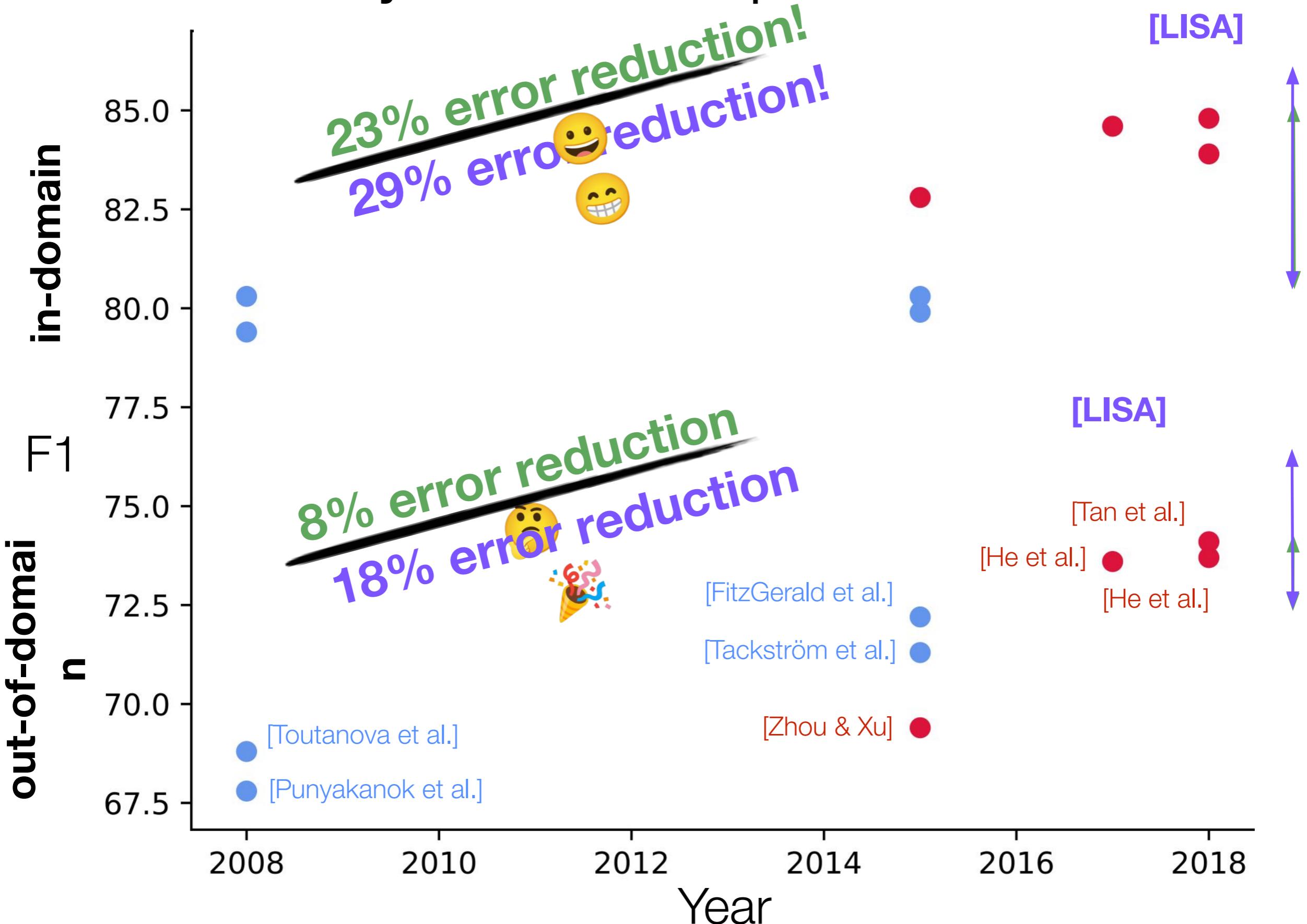
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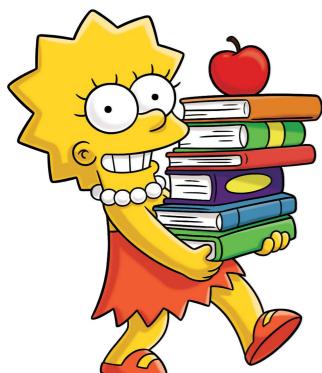
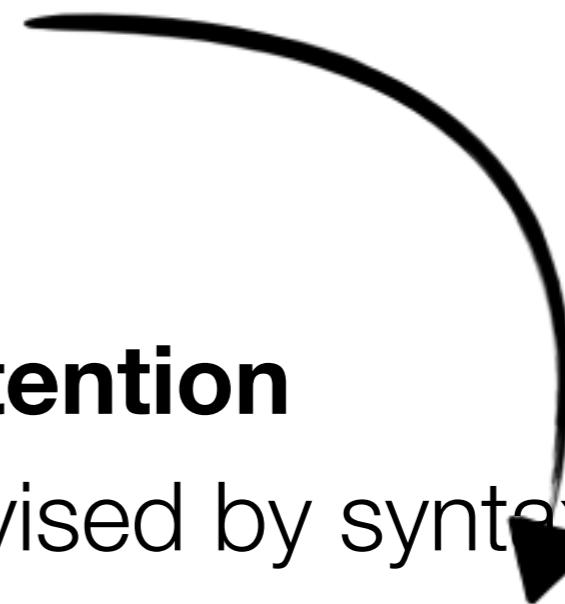


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# Linguistically-Informed Self-Attention

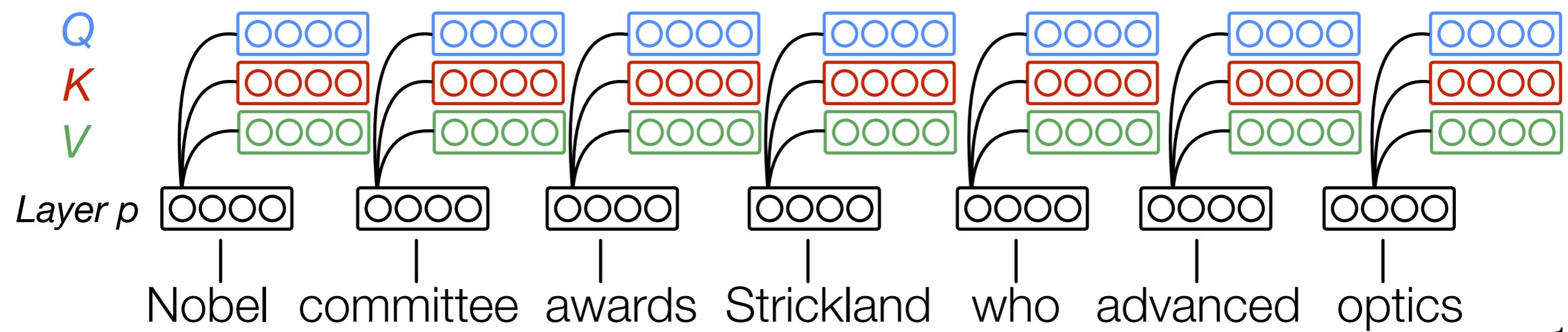
- **Multi-task learning, single-pass inference**
  - Part-of-speech tagging
  - Labeled dependency parsing
  - Predicate detection
  - Semantic role spans & labeling
- **Syntactically-informed self-attention**
  - Multi-head self-attention supervised by syntax
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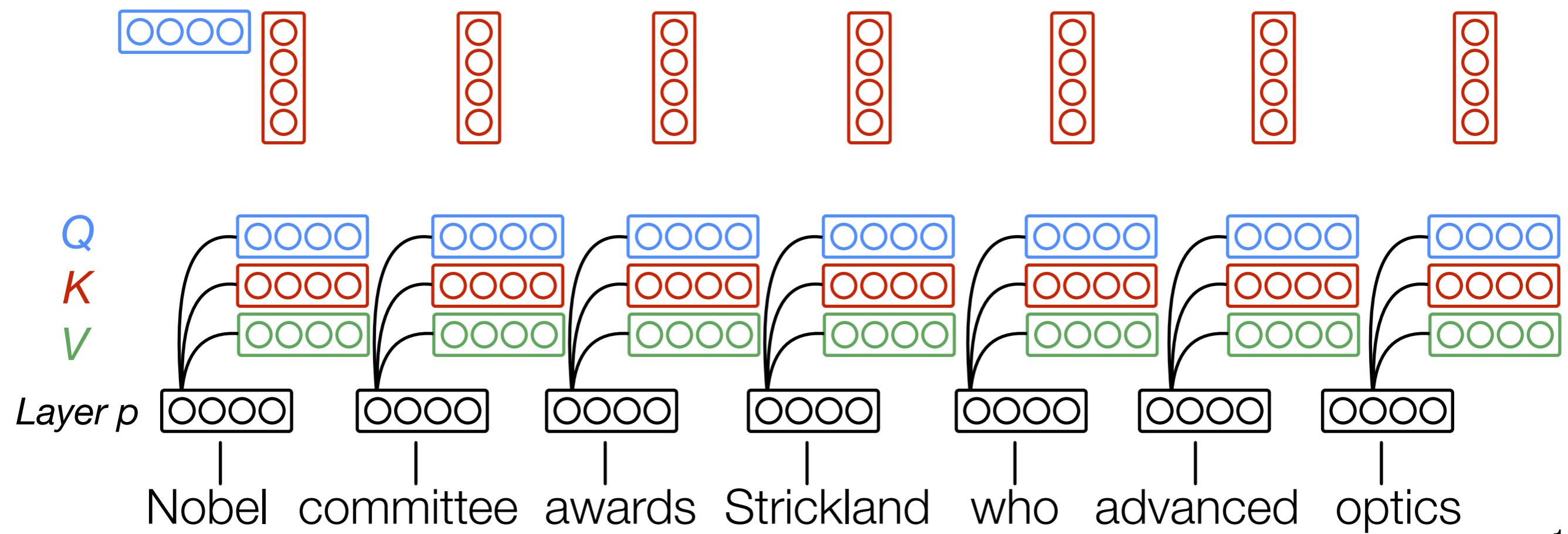
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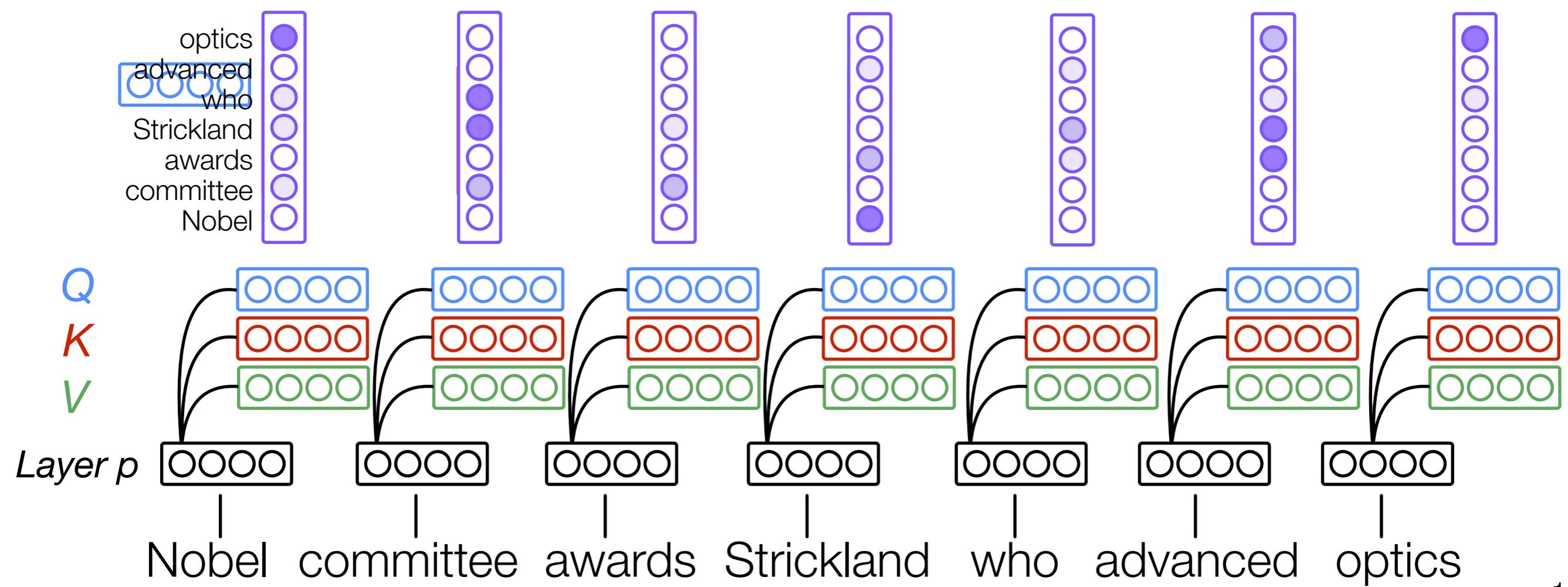
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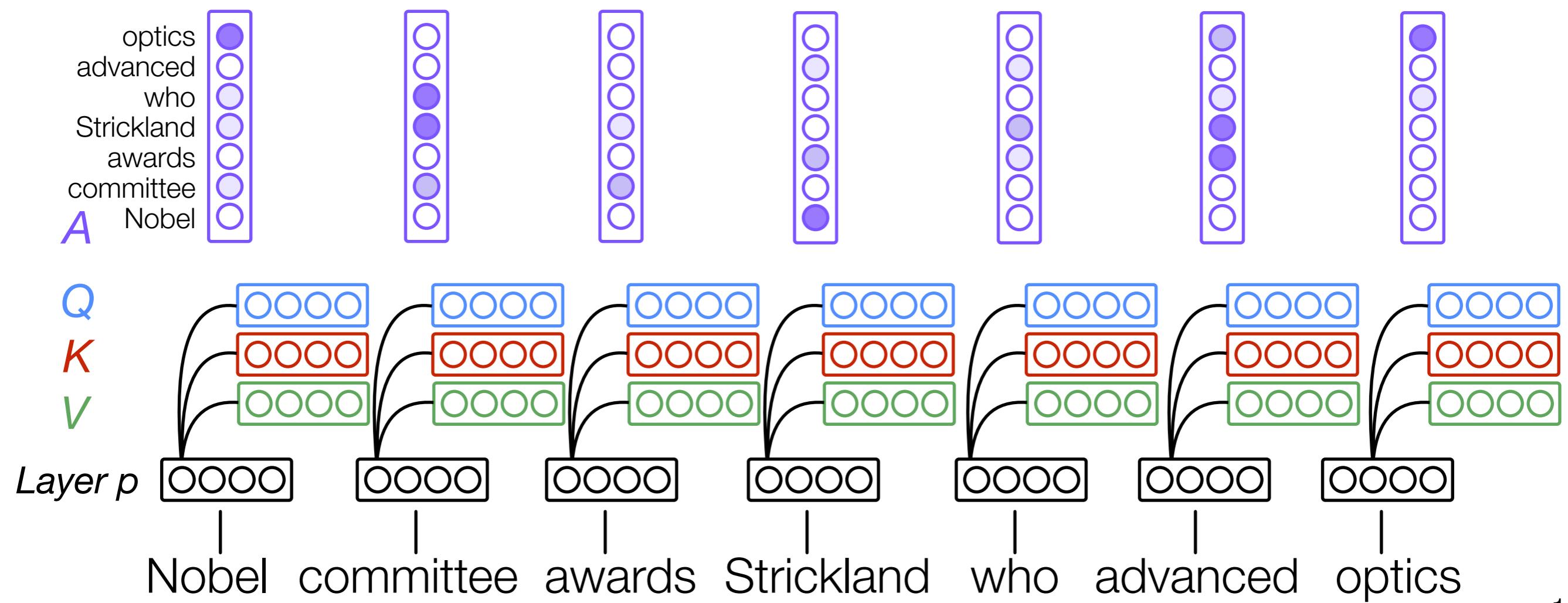
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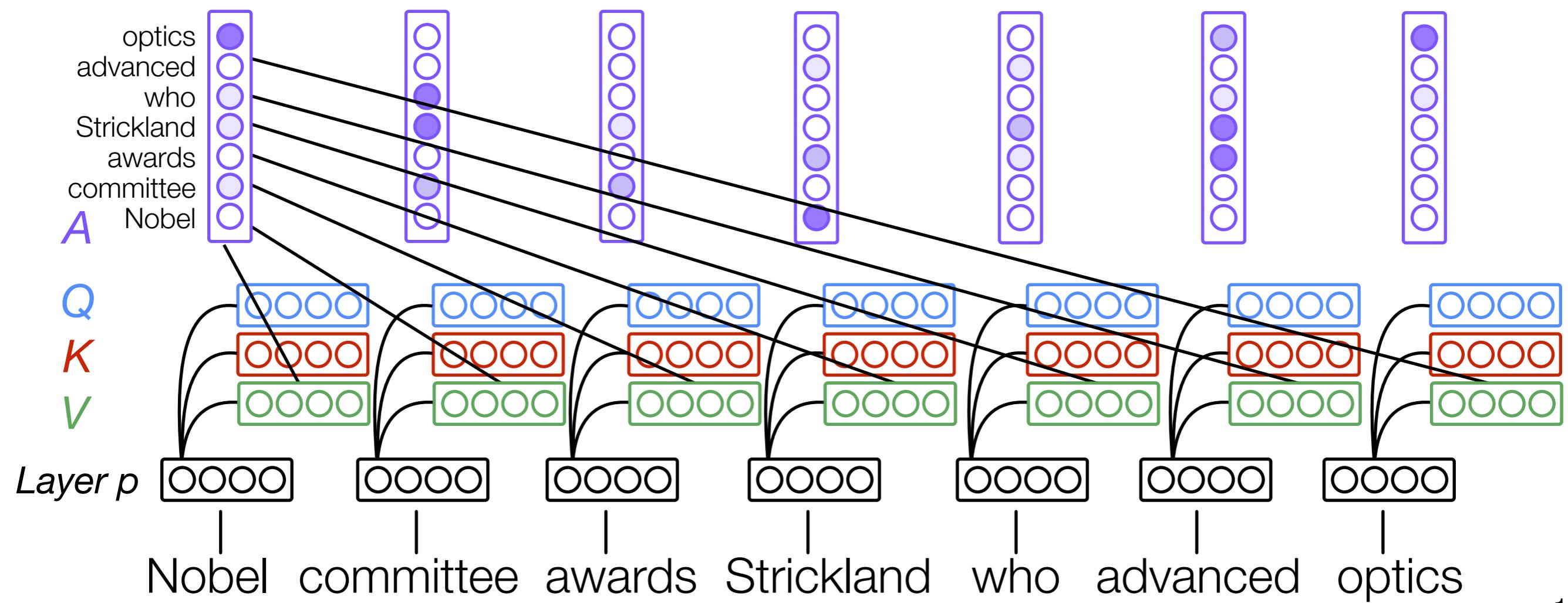
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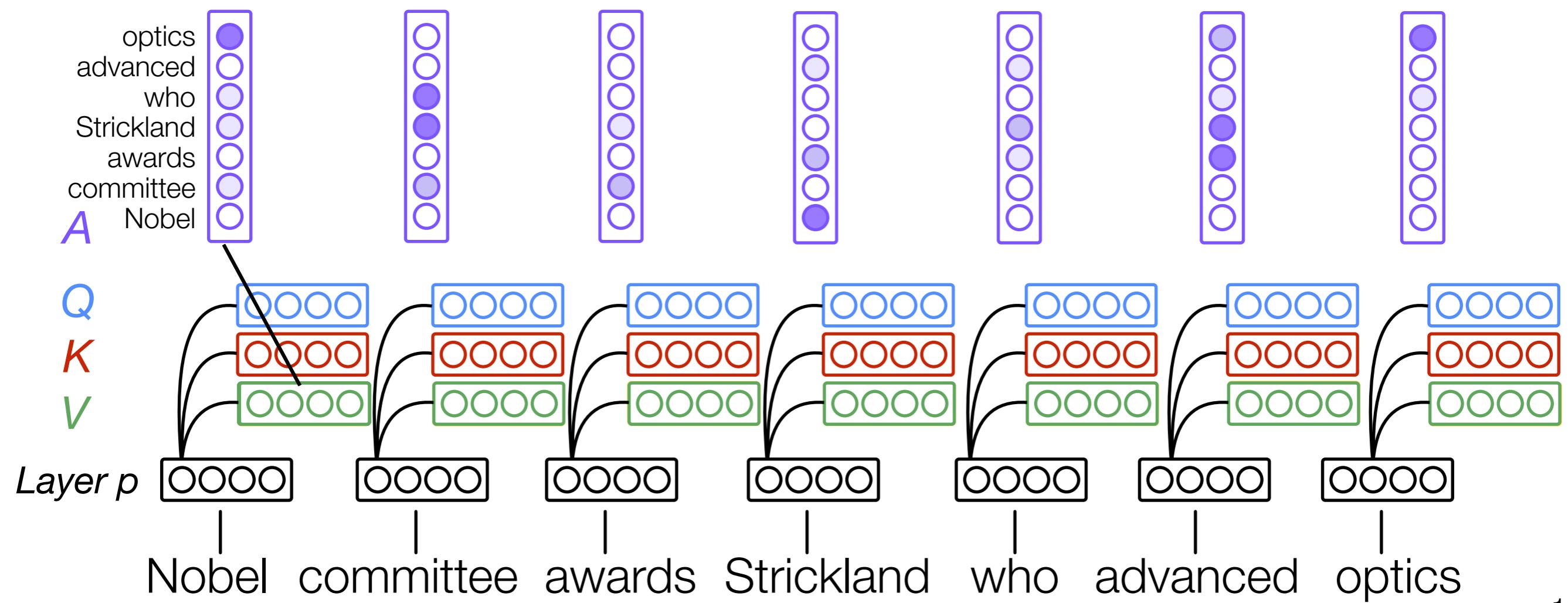
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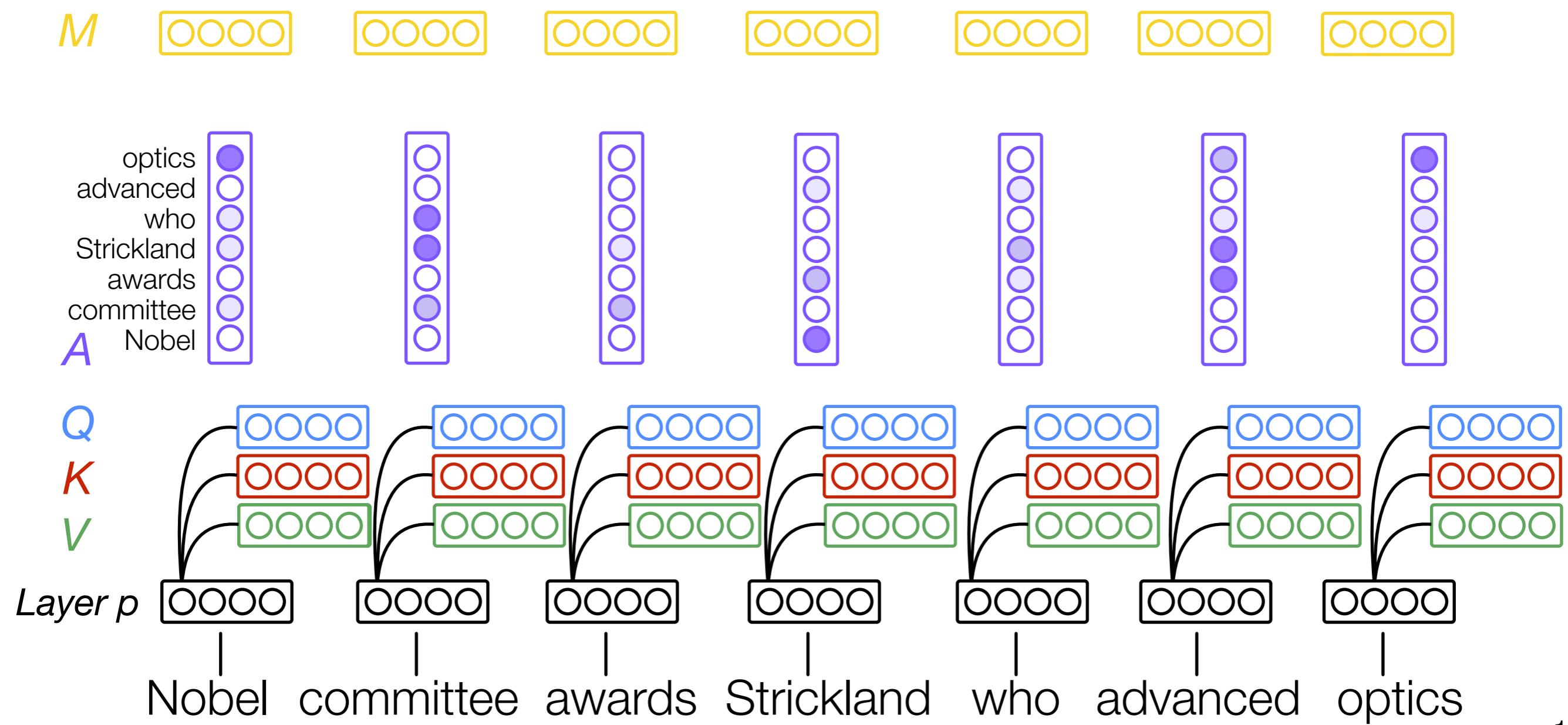
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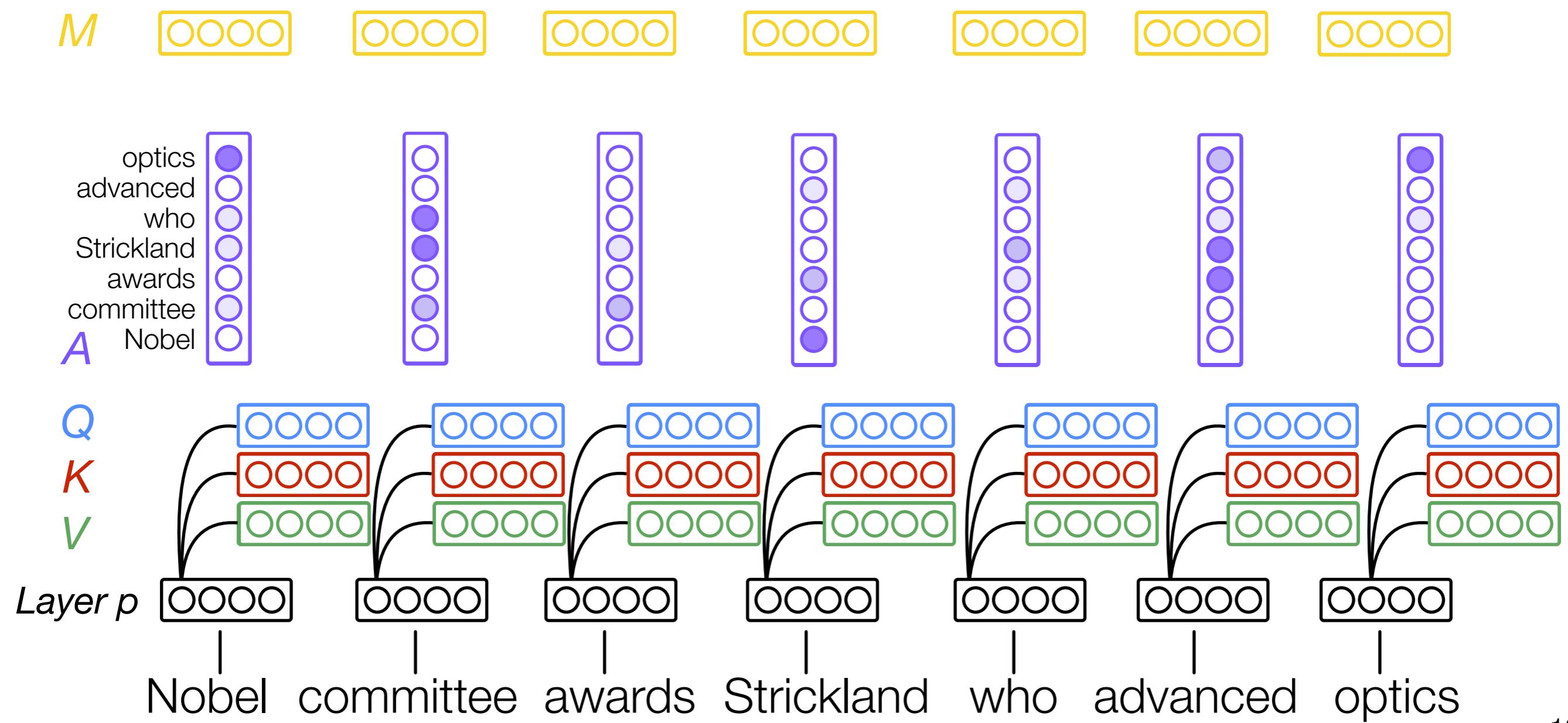
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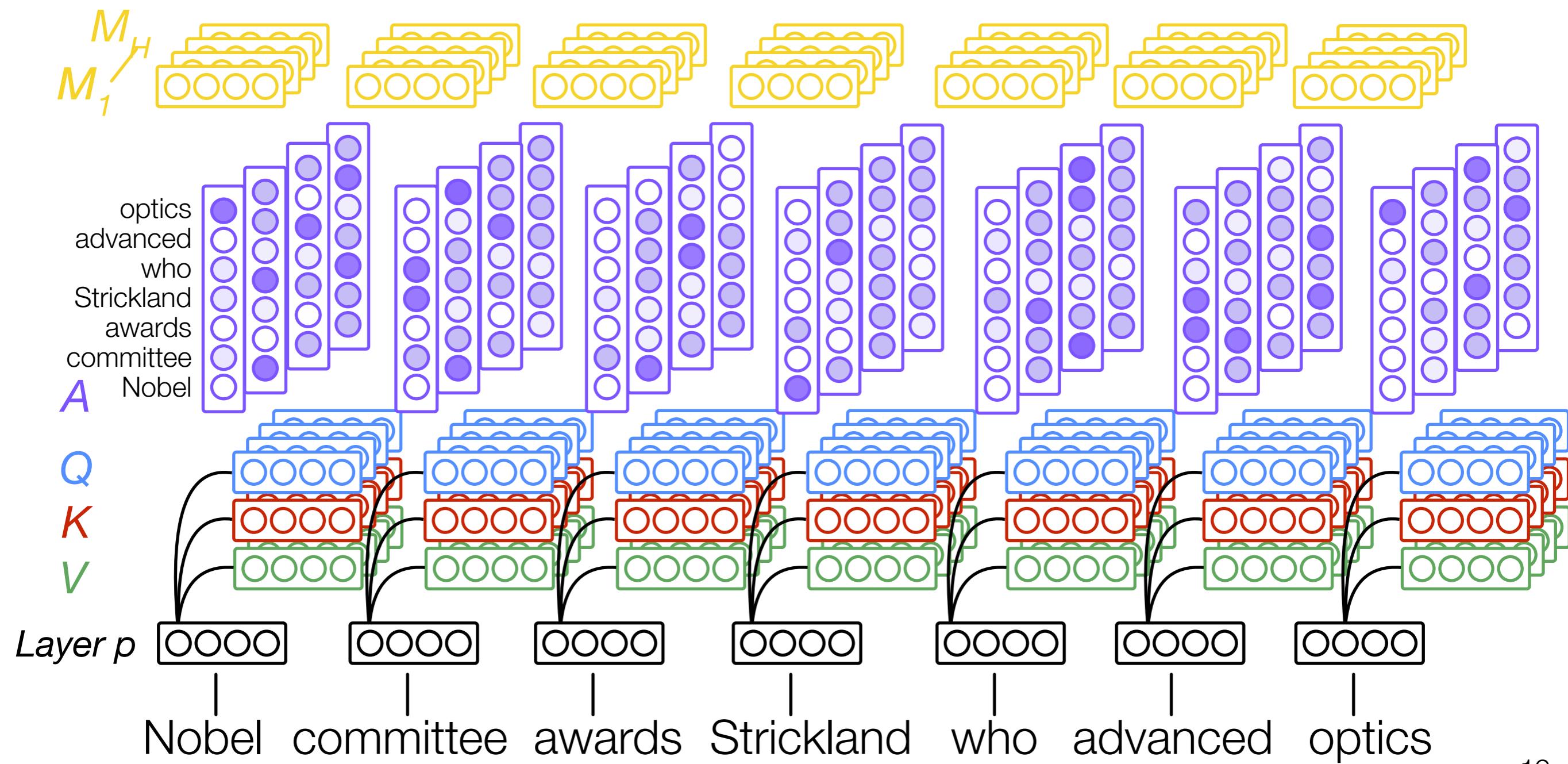
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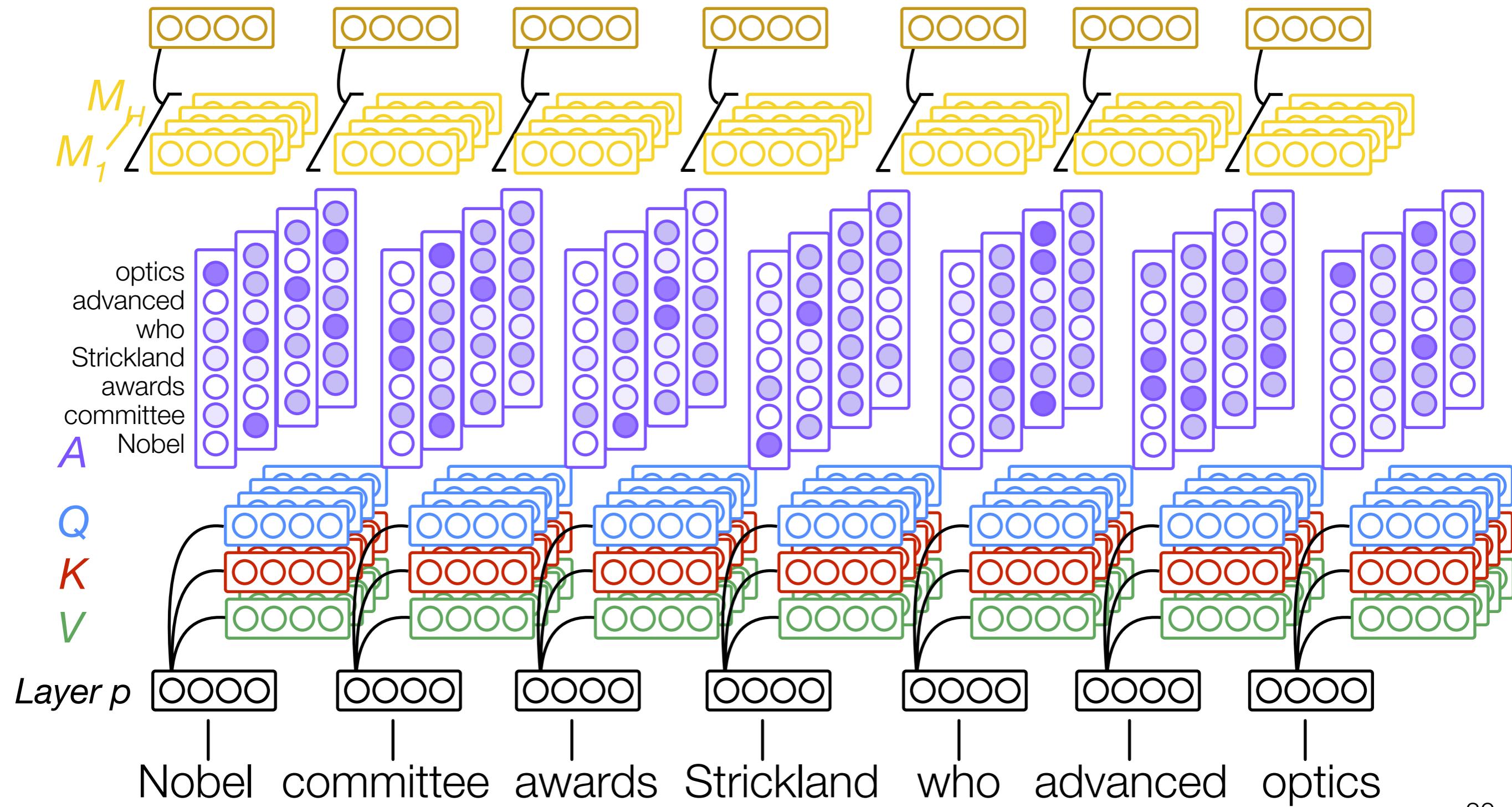
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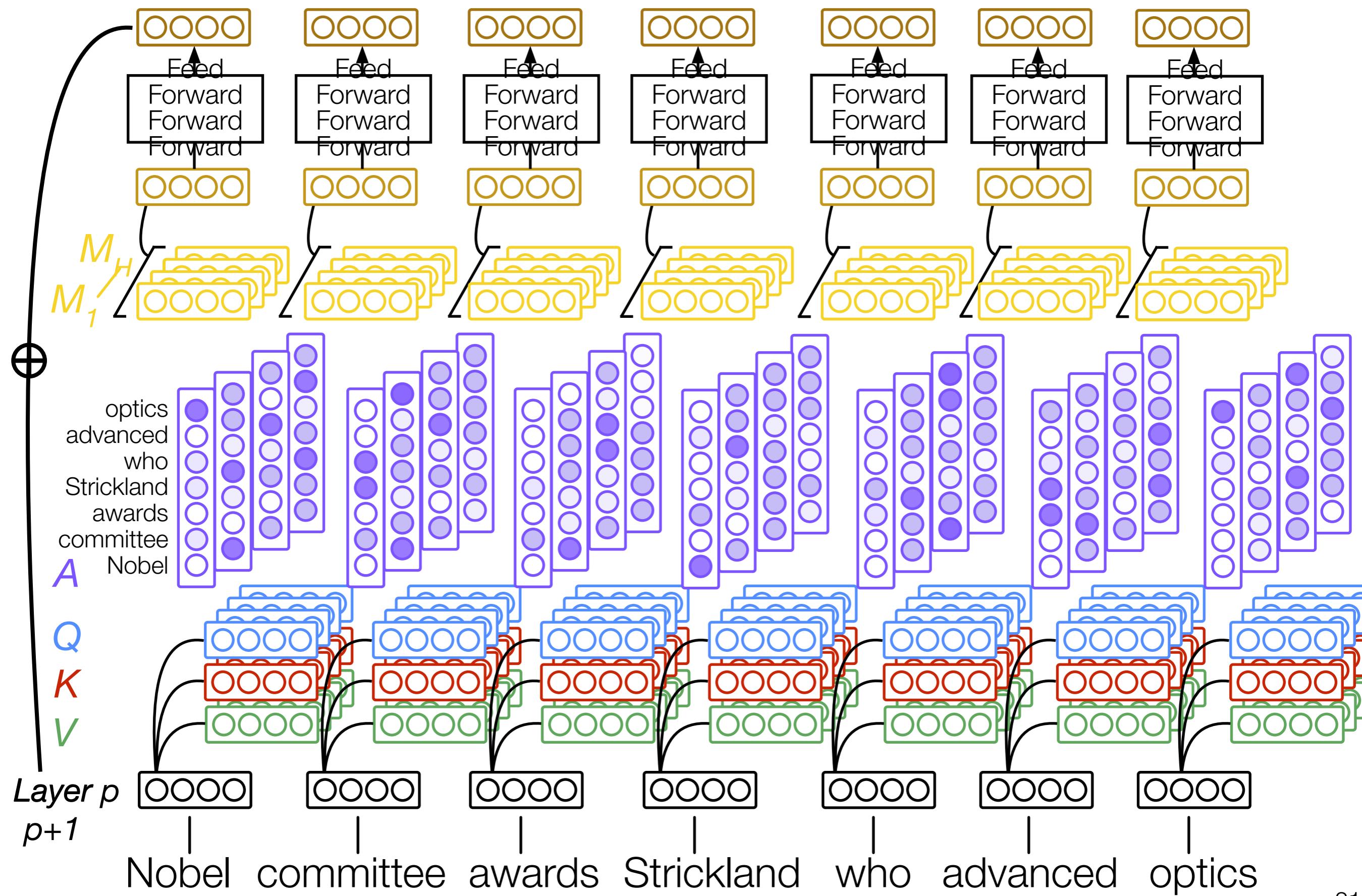
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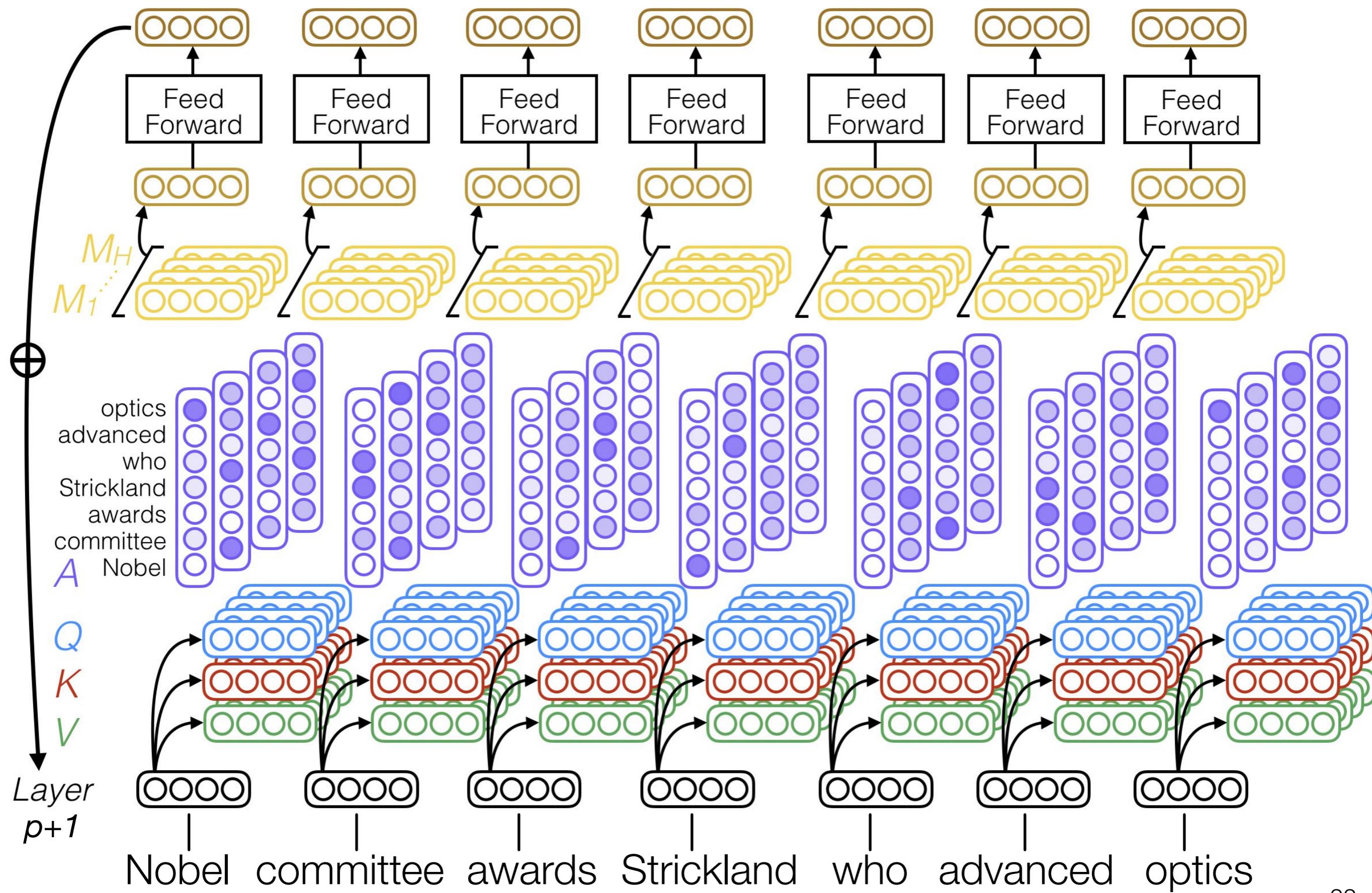
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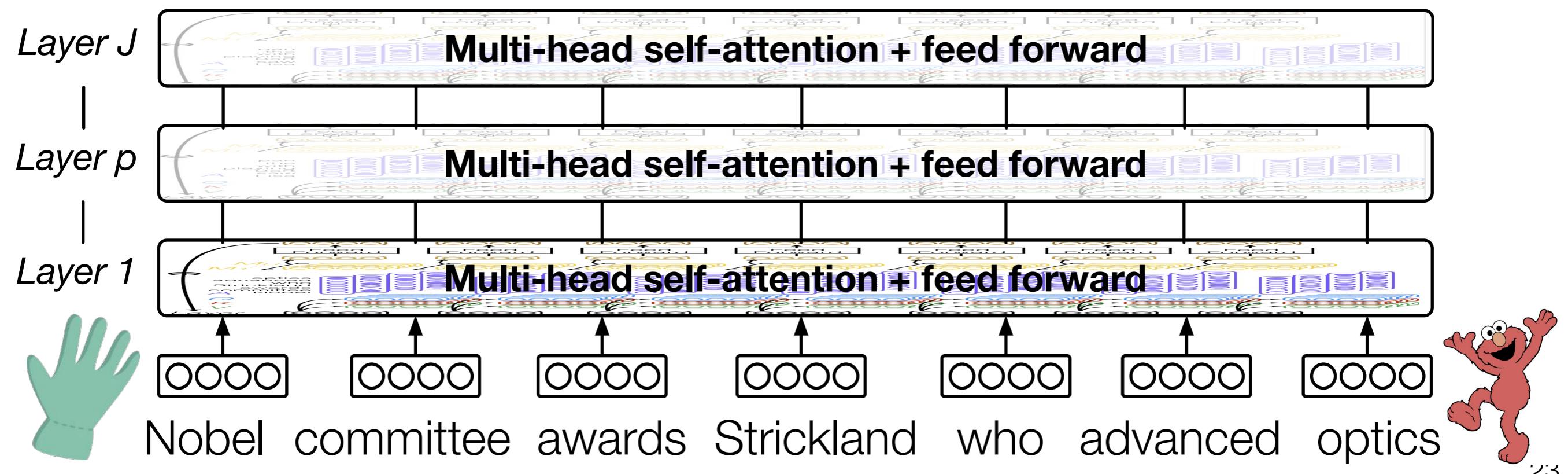
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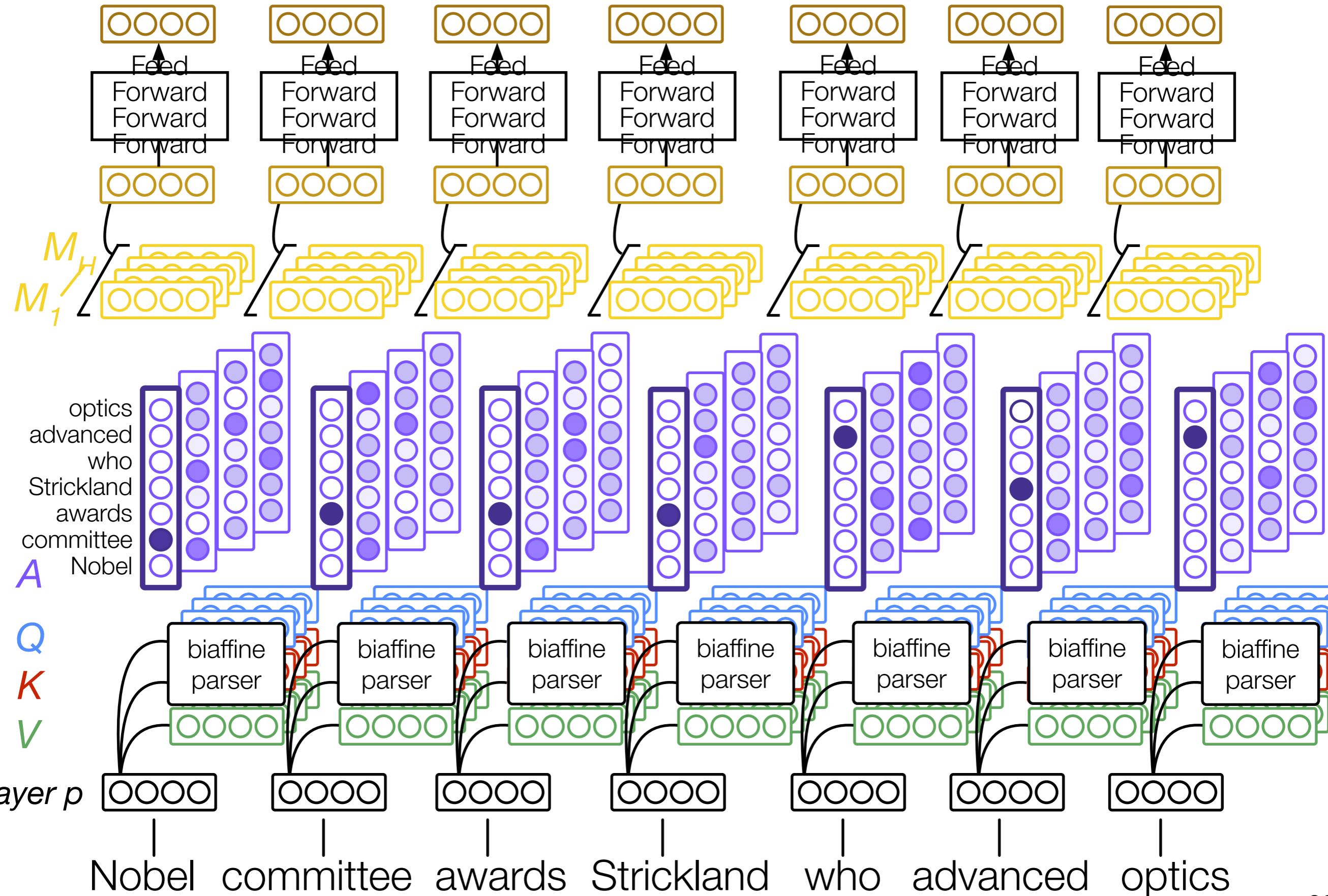
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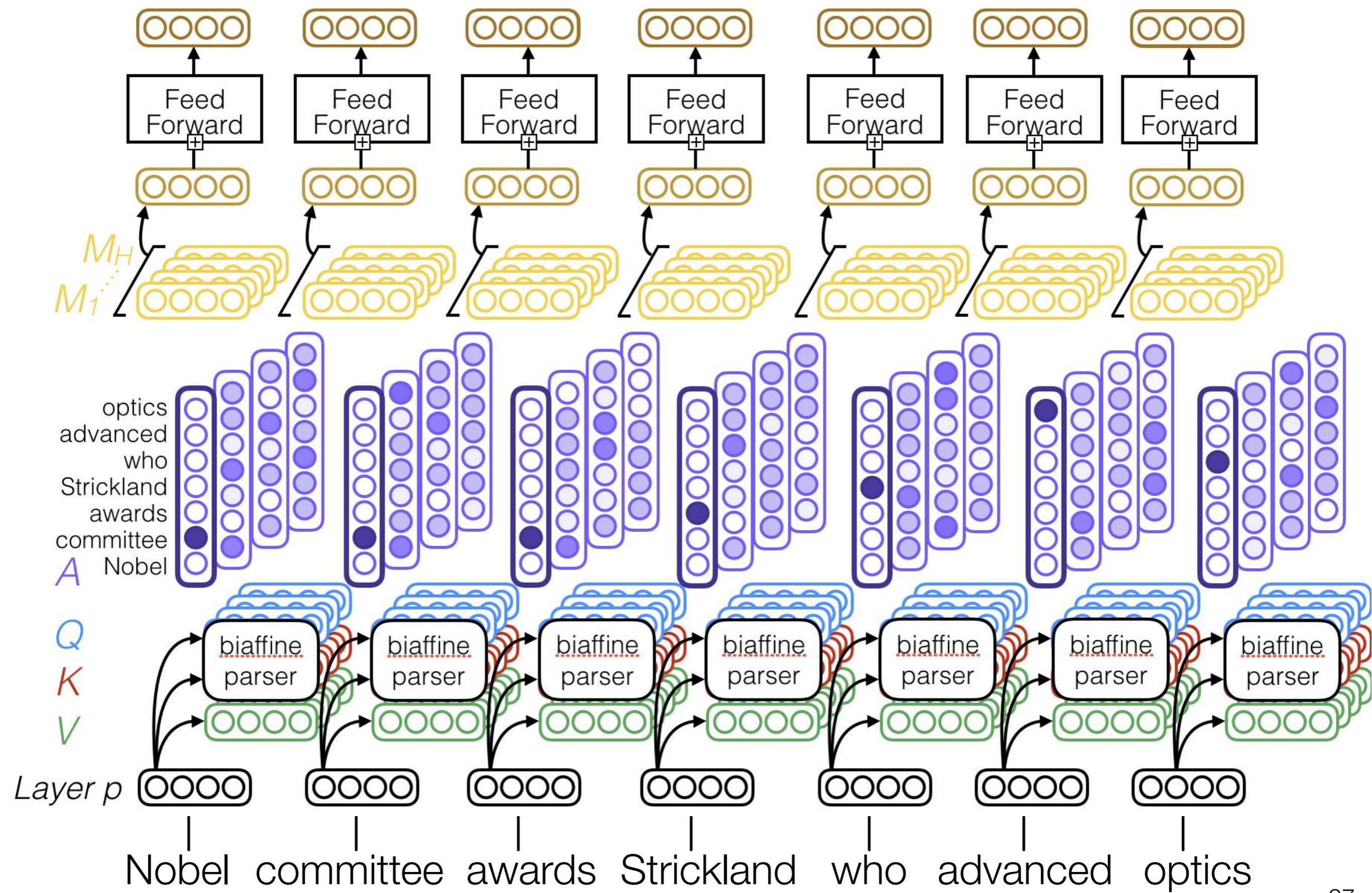
# How to incorporate syntax?

- Multi-task learning [Caruana 1993; Collobert et al. 2011]:
  - Overfits to training domain like single-task end-to-end NN.
  - Must re-train SRL model to leverage new (improved) syntax.
- Dependency path embeddings [Roth & Lapata 2016]; Graph CNN over parse [Marcheggiani & Titov 2017]
  - Restricted context: path to predicate or fixed-width window.
- Syntactically-informed self-attention
  - In one head, token attends to its likely syntactic parent(s).
  - Global context: In next layer, tokens observe all other parents.
  - At test time: can use own predicted parse, *OR*  
supply syntax to improve SRL model without re-training.

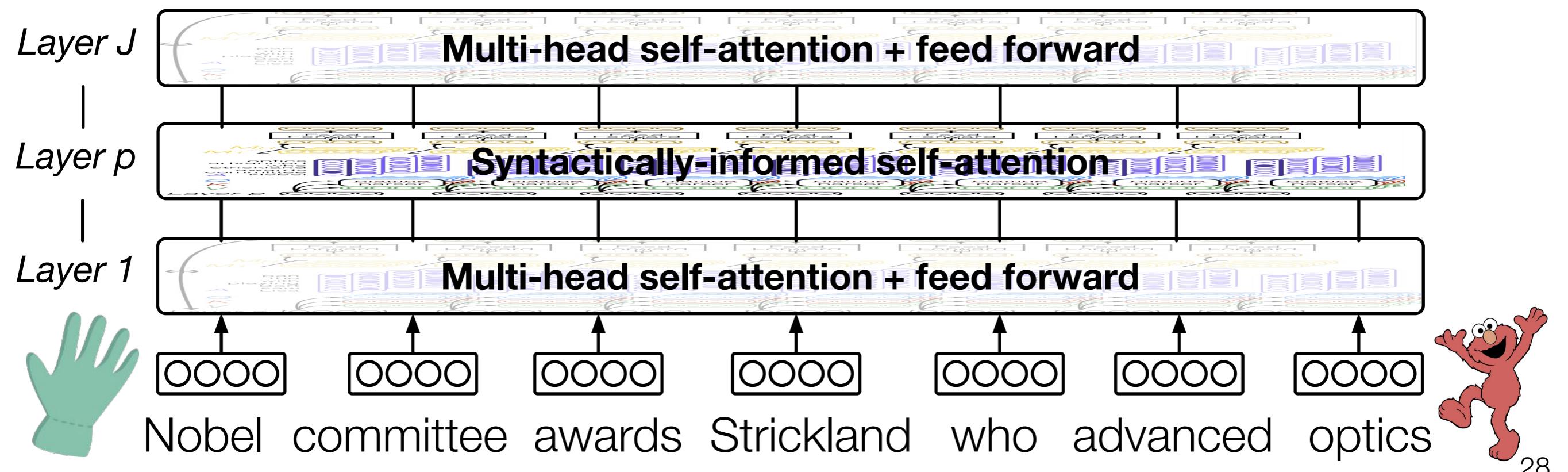
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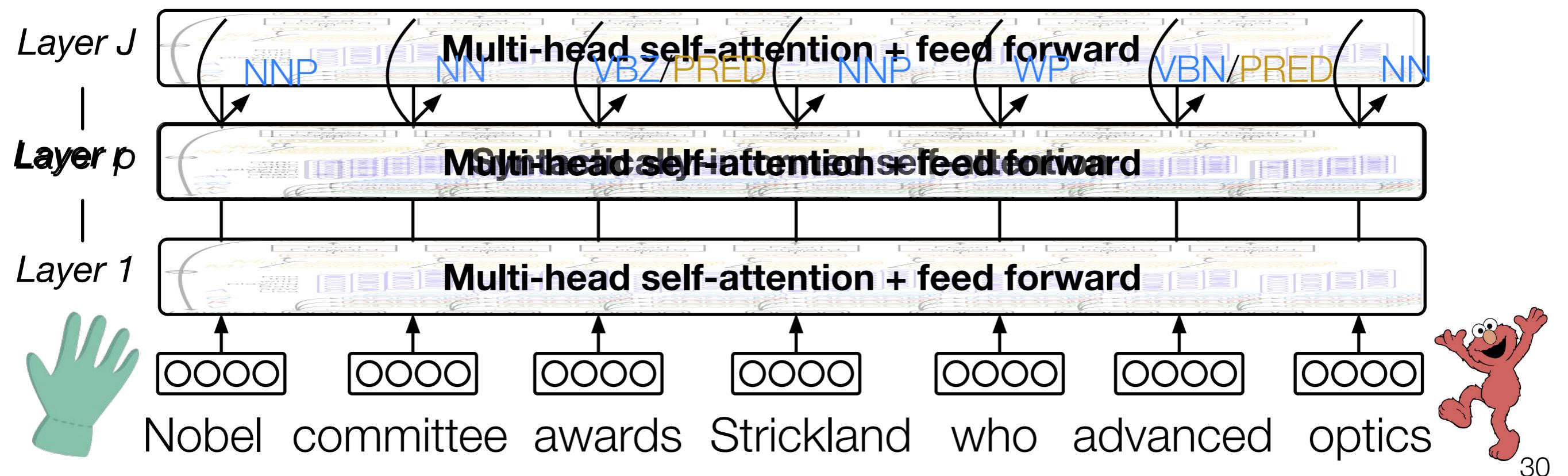
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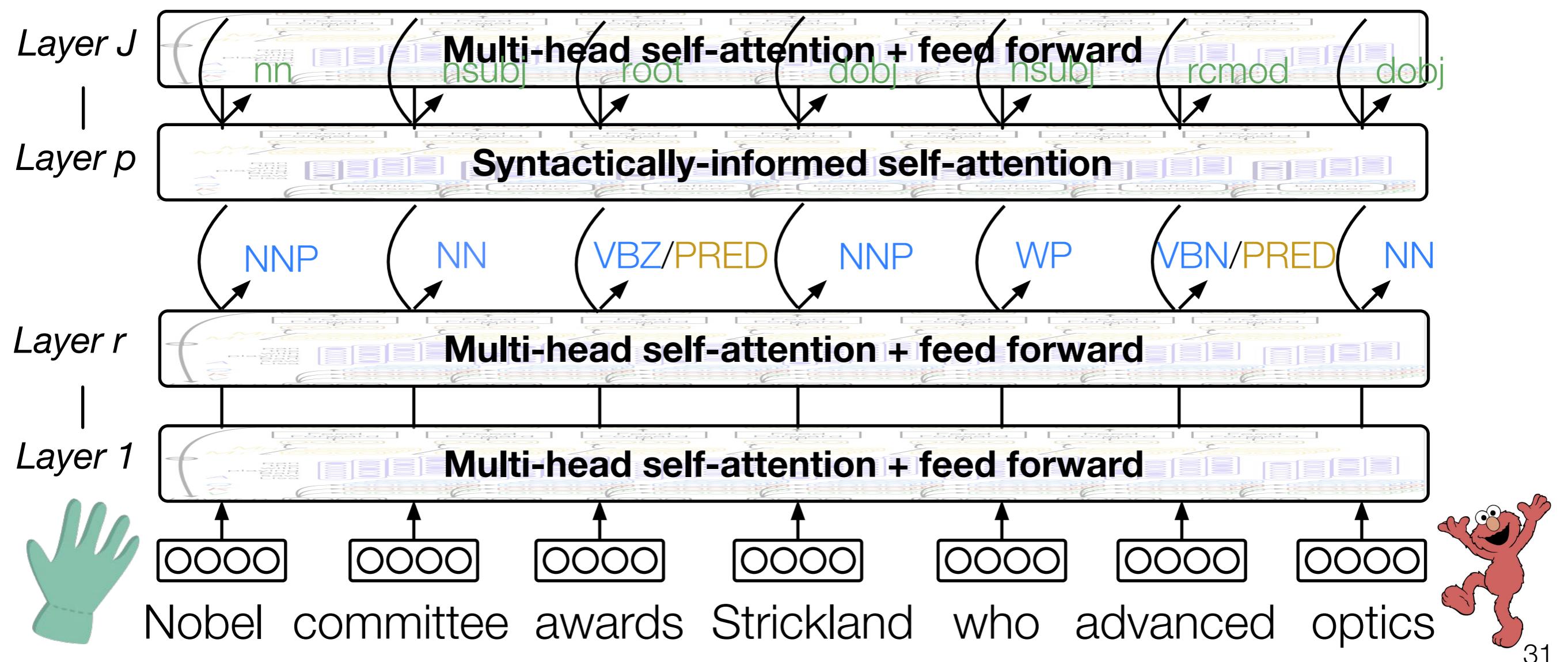
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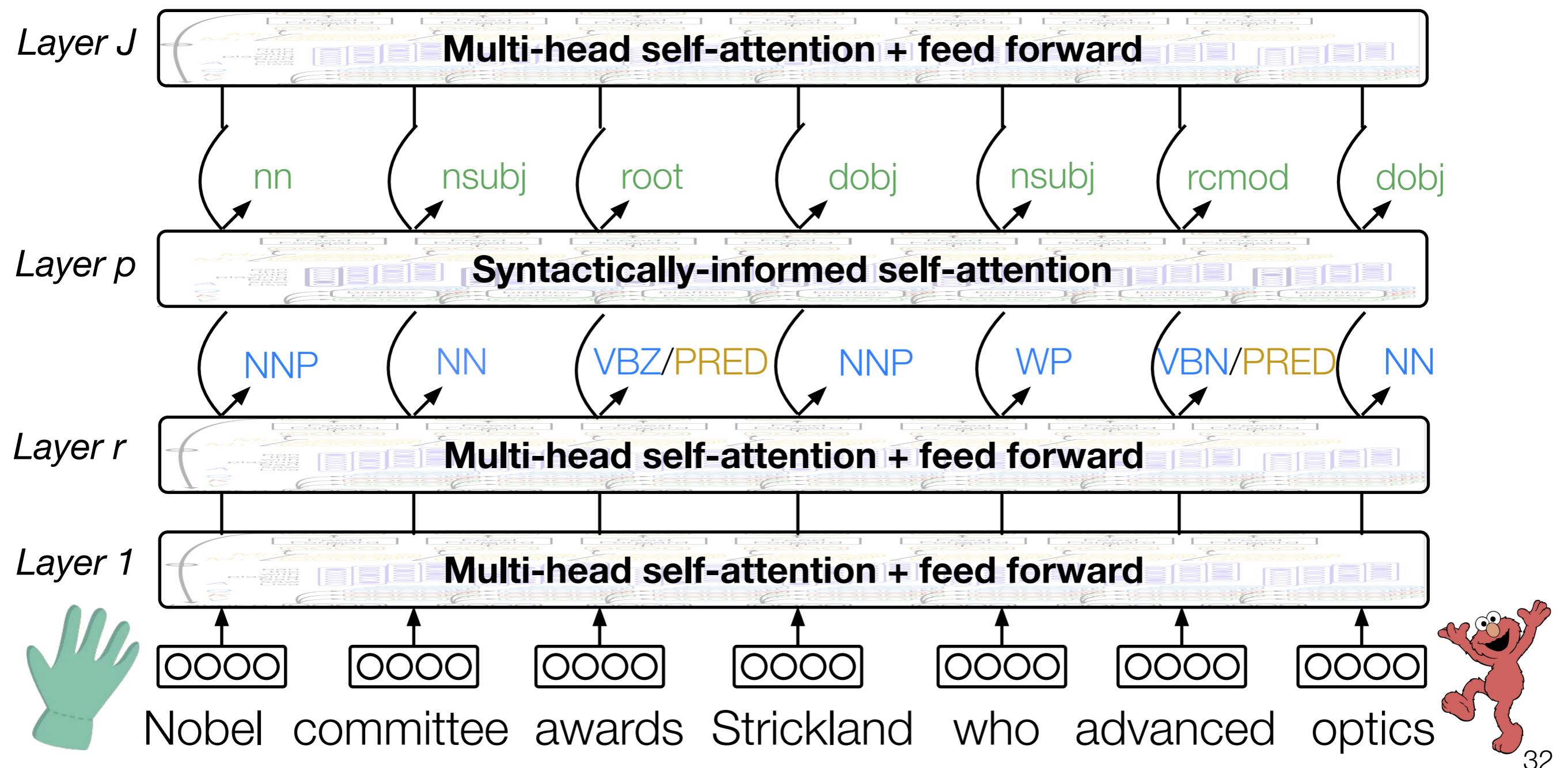
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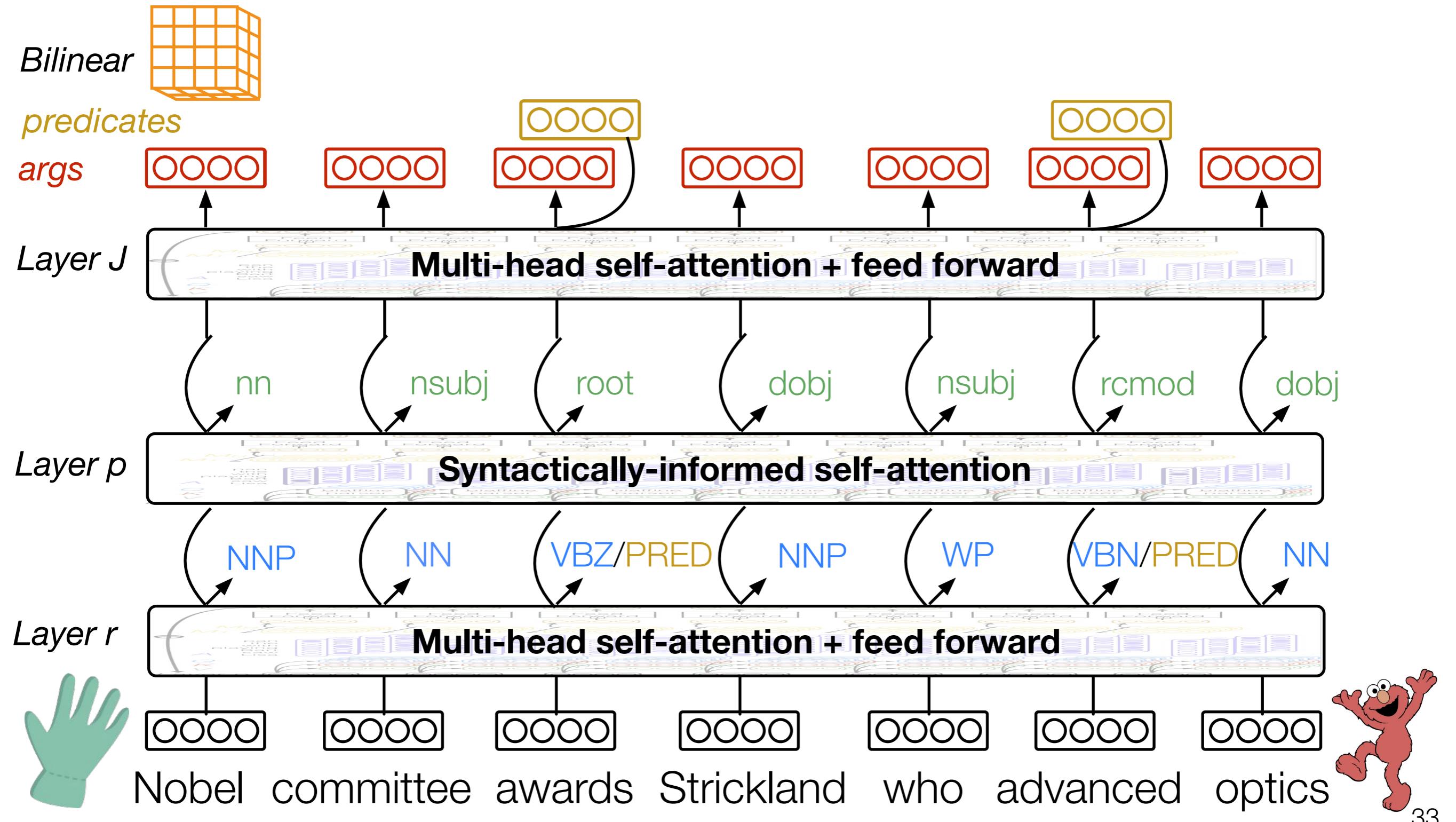
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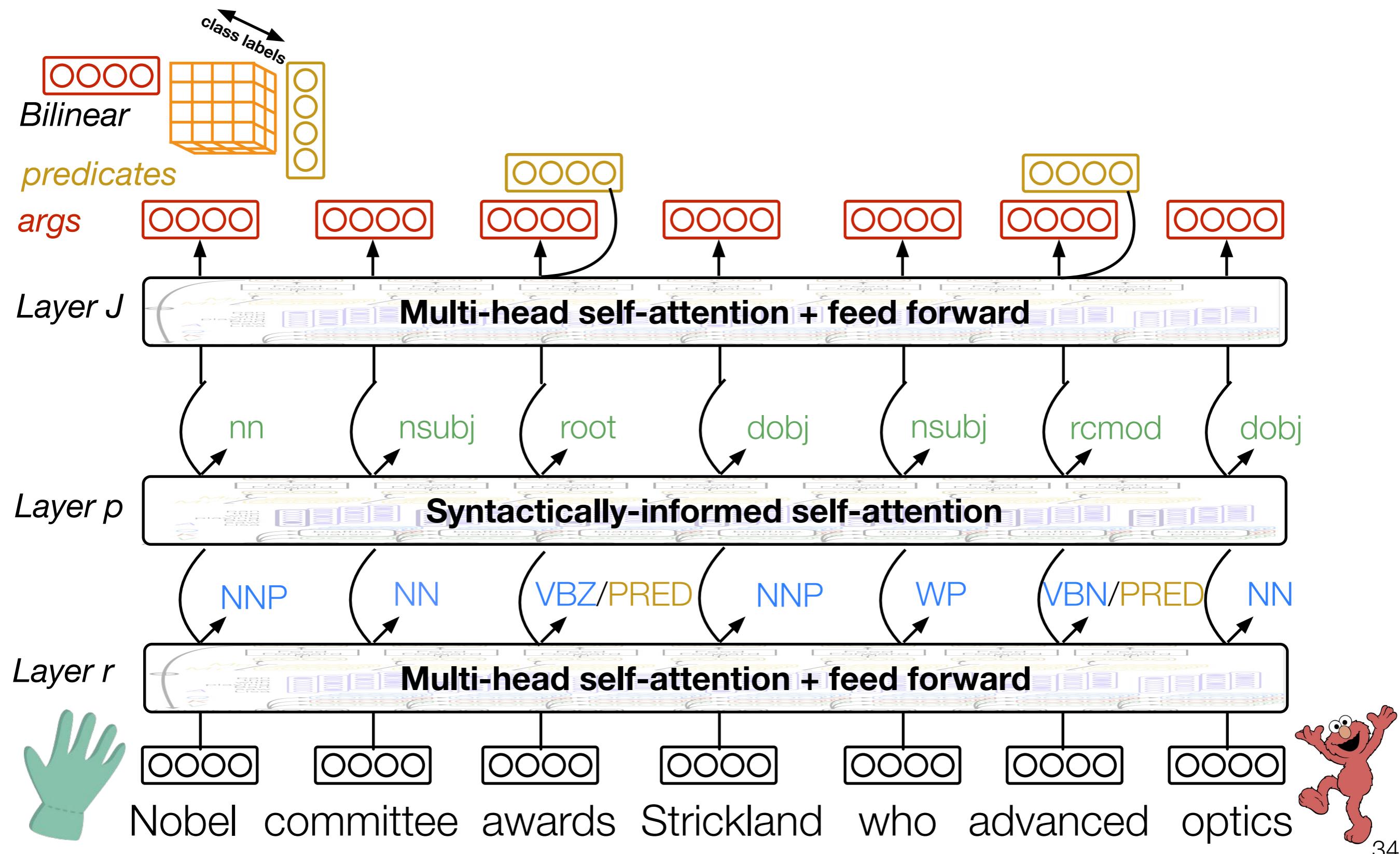
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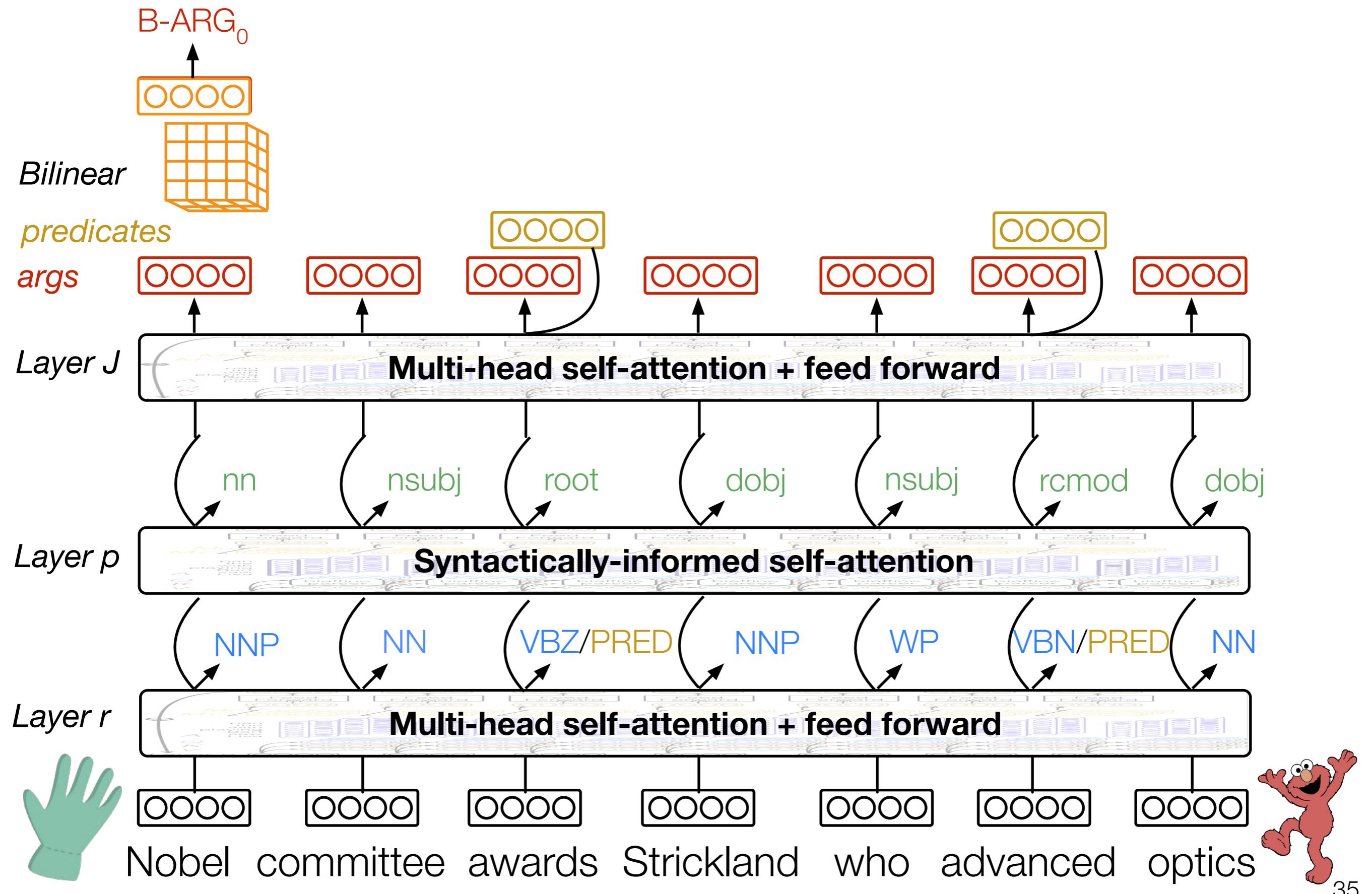
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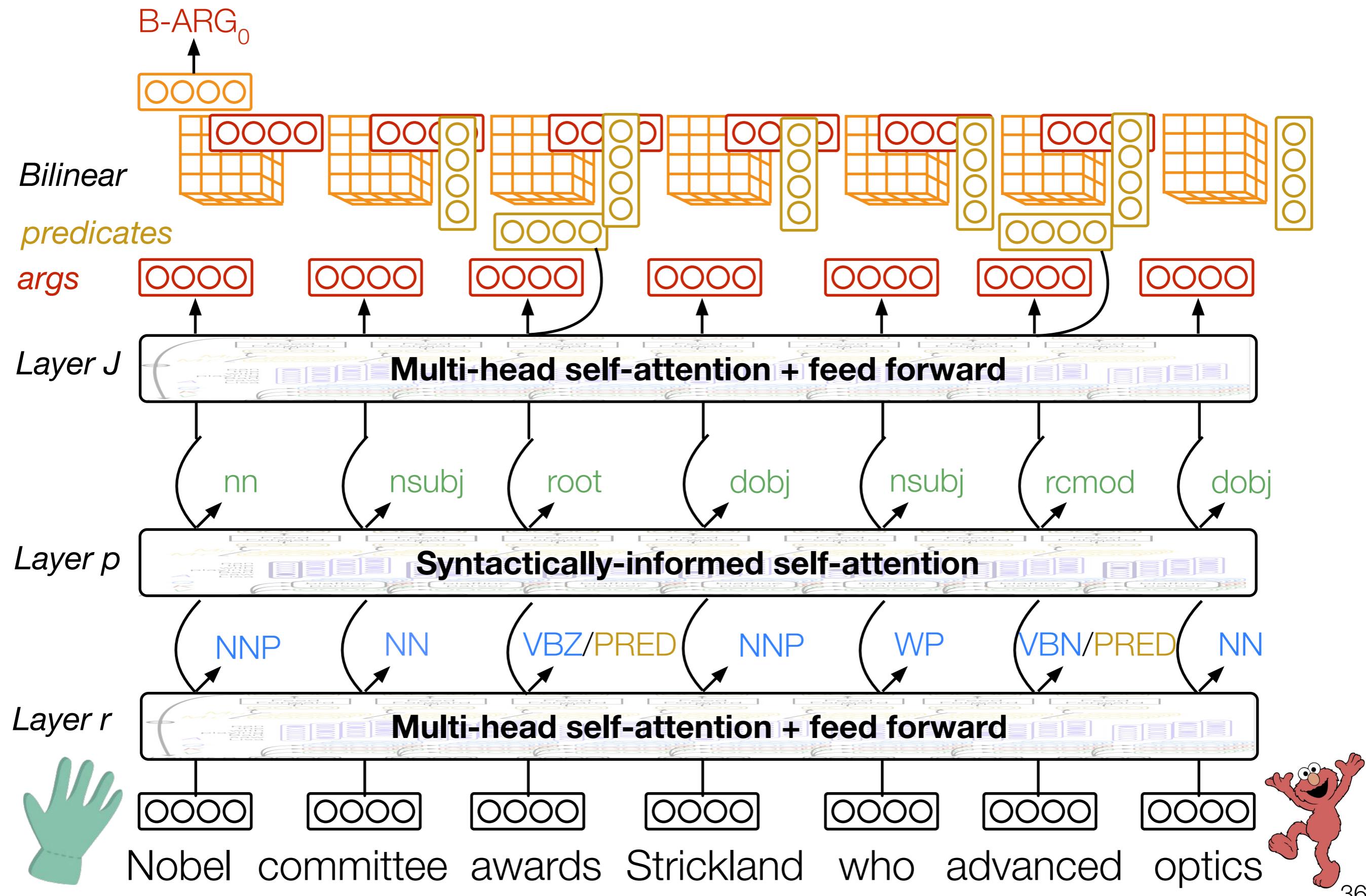
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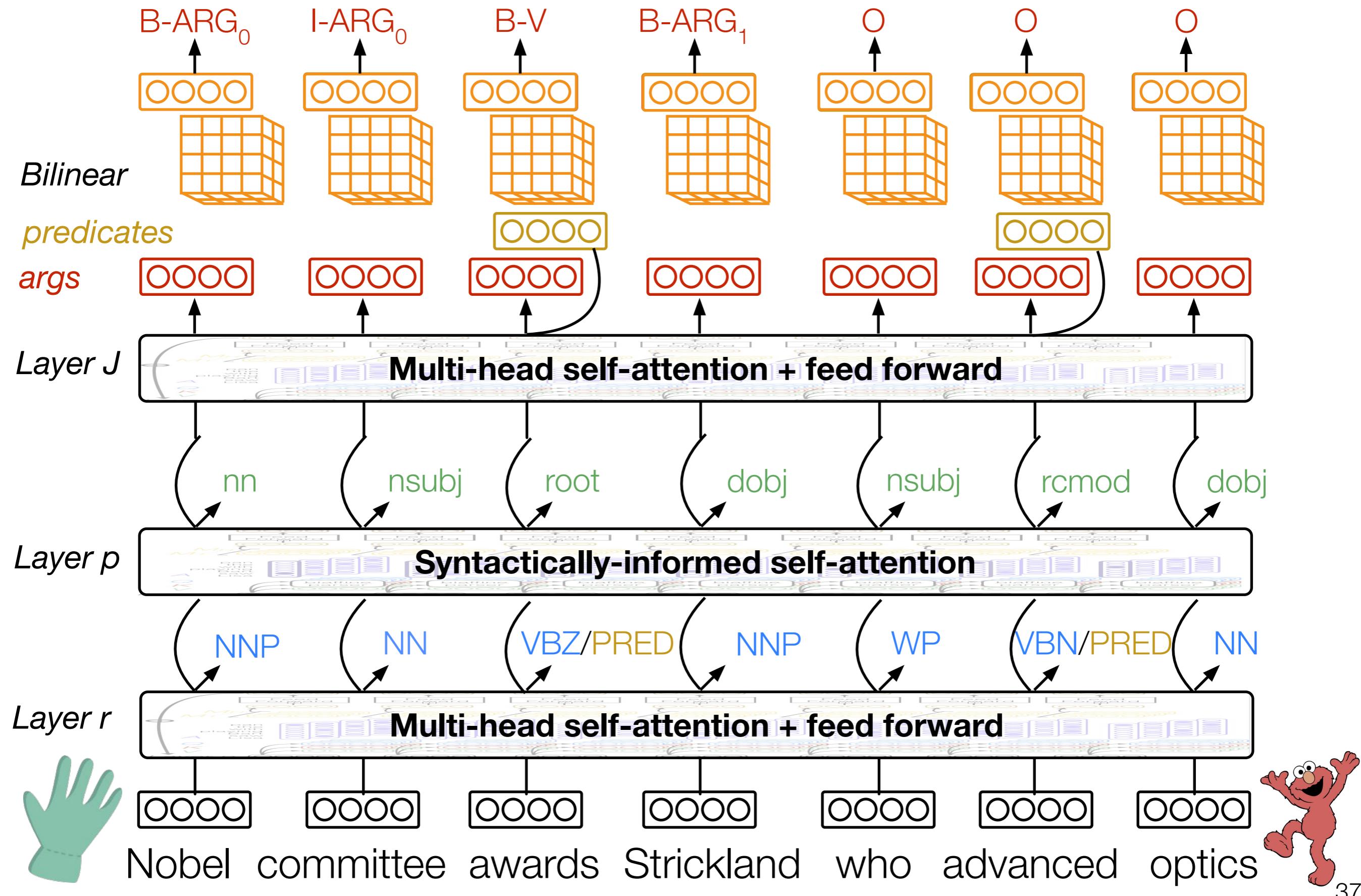
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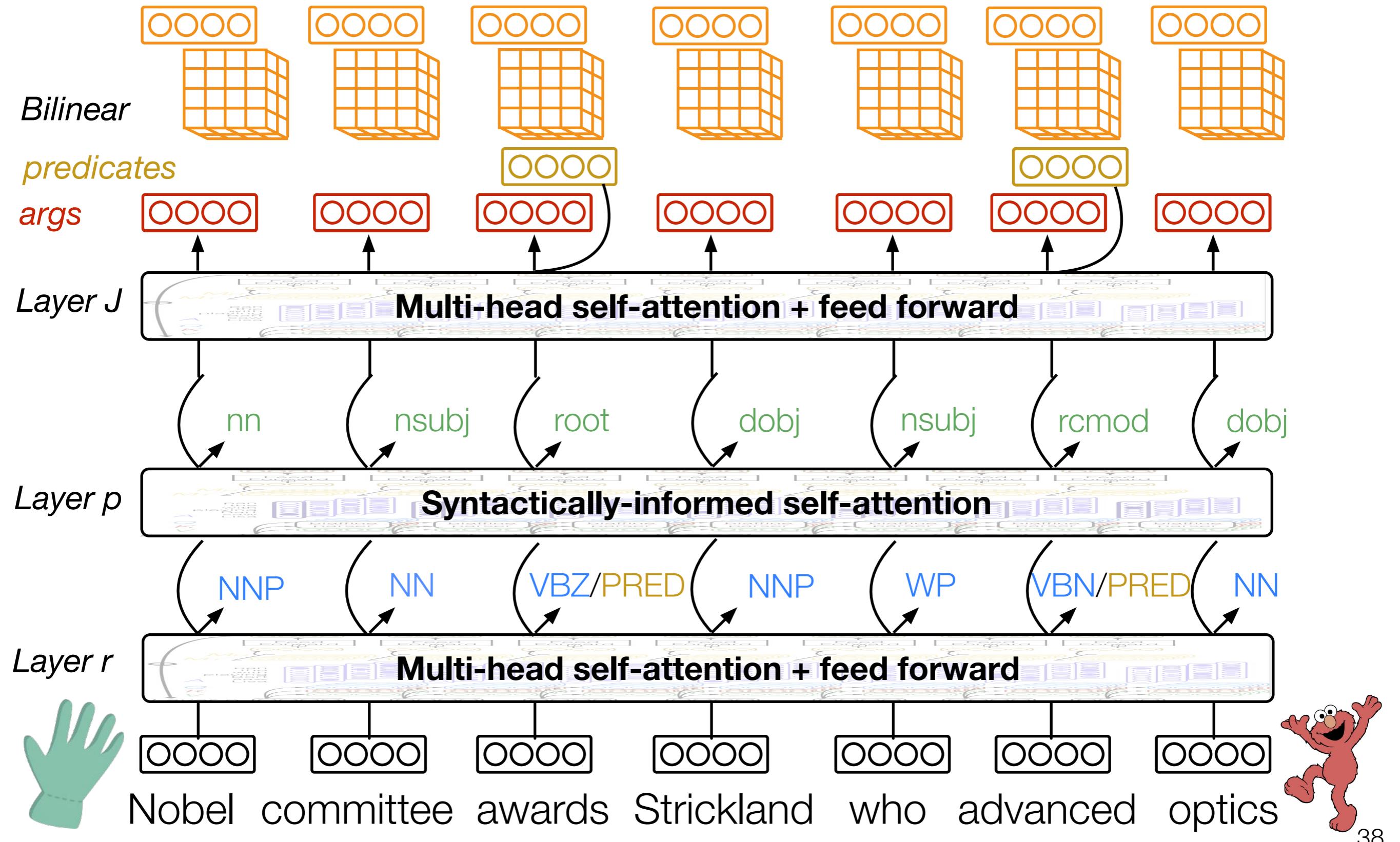


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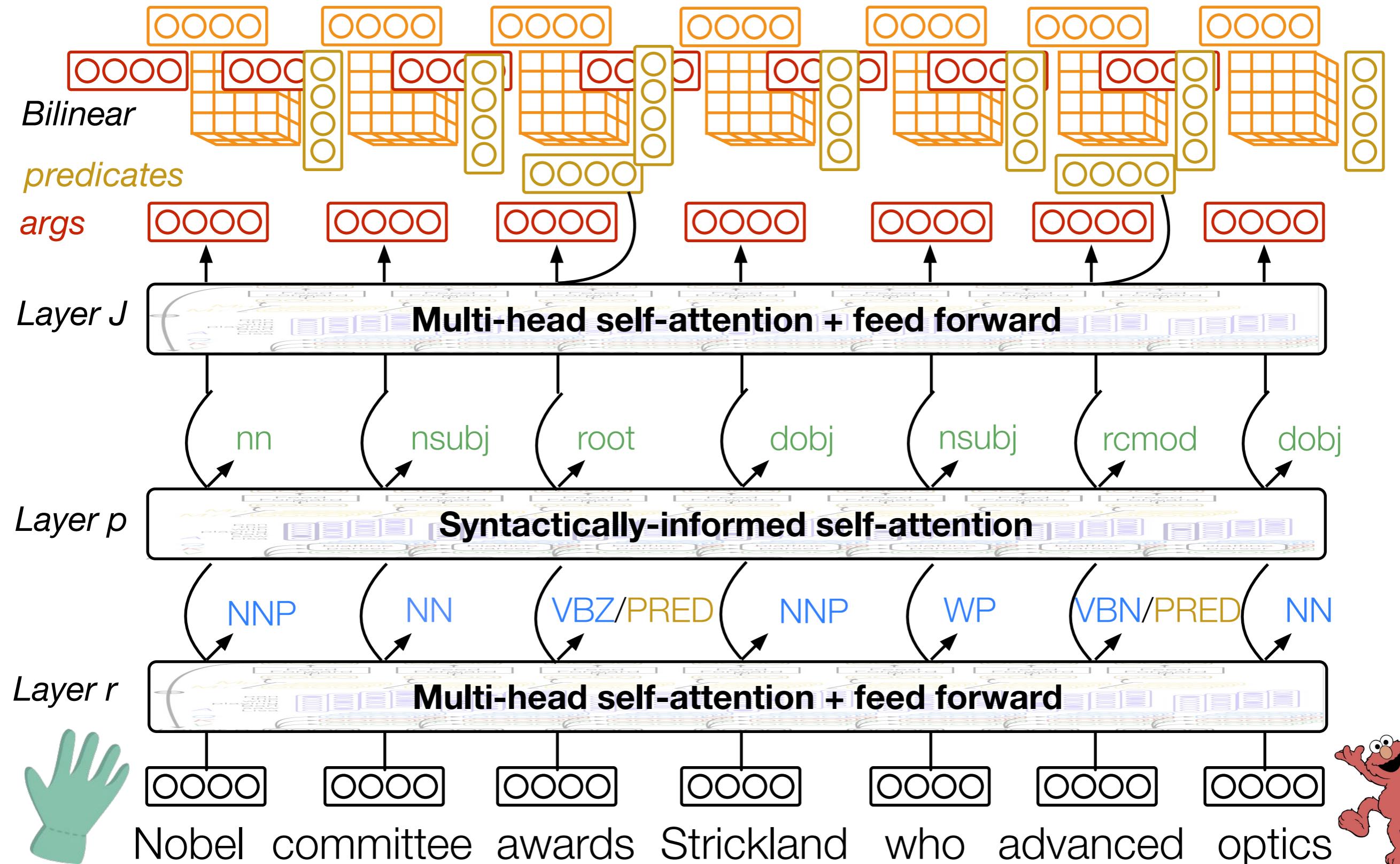
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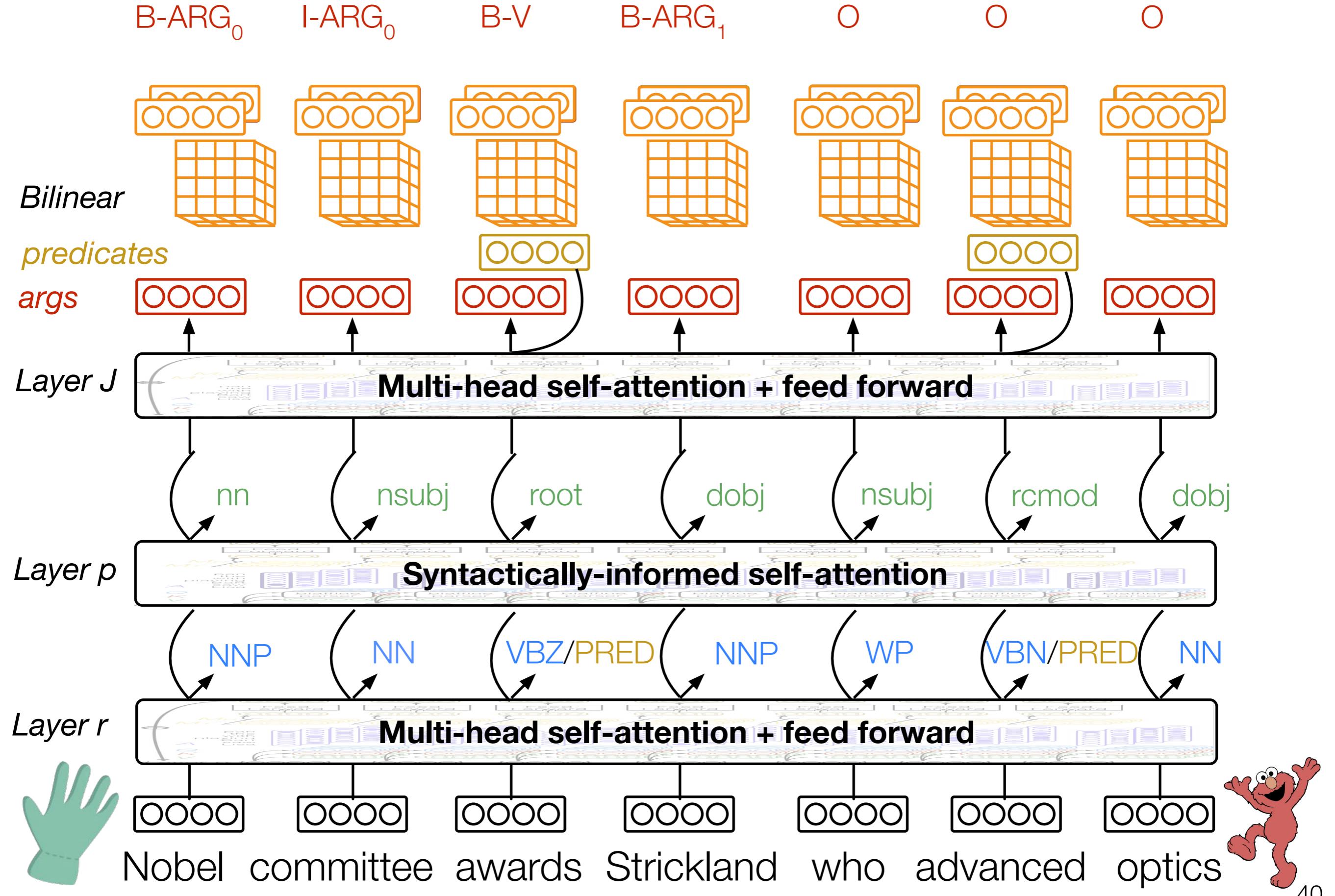


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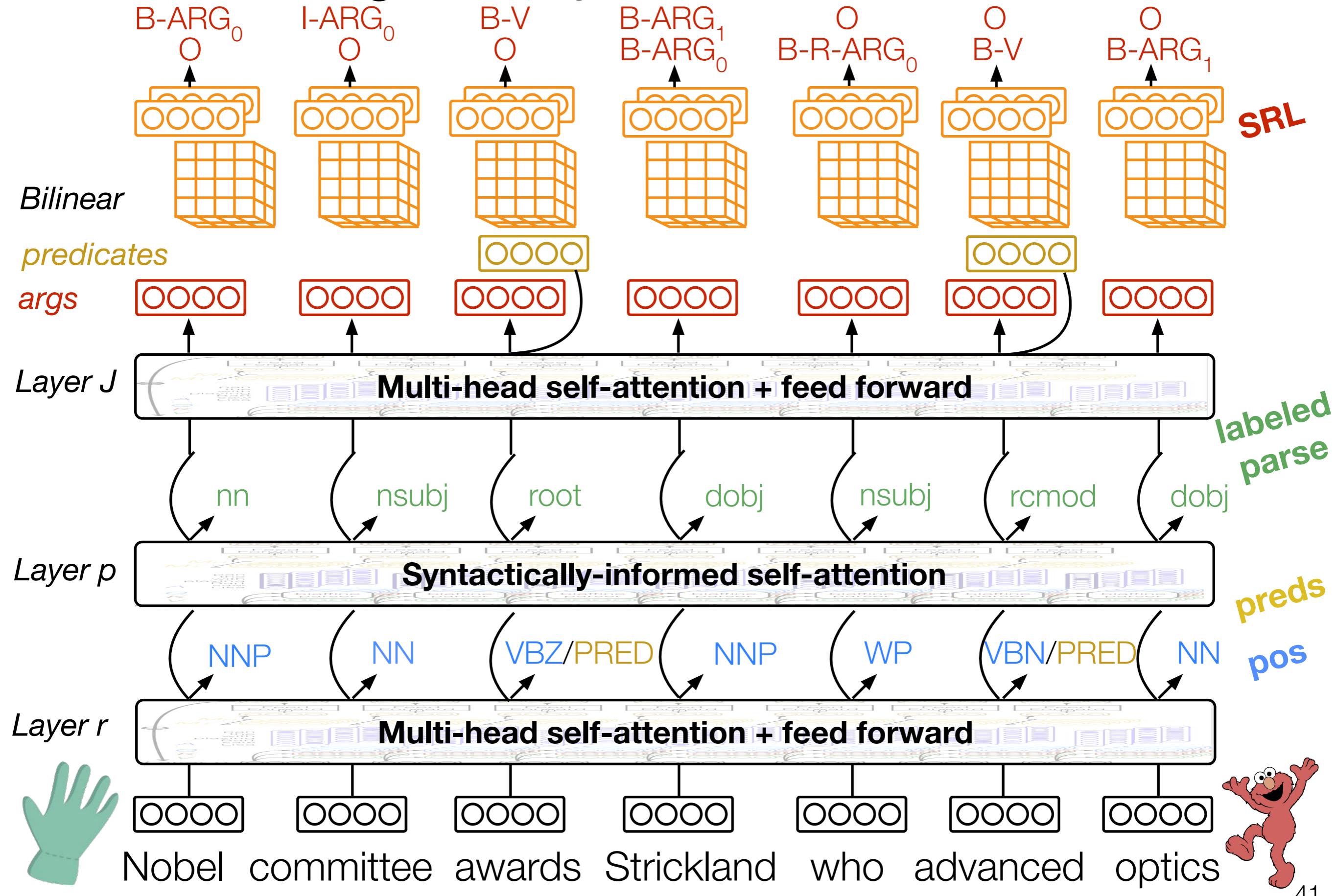
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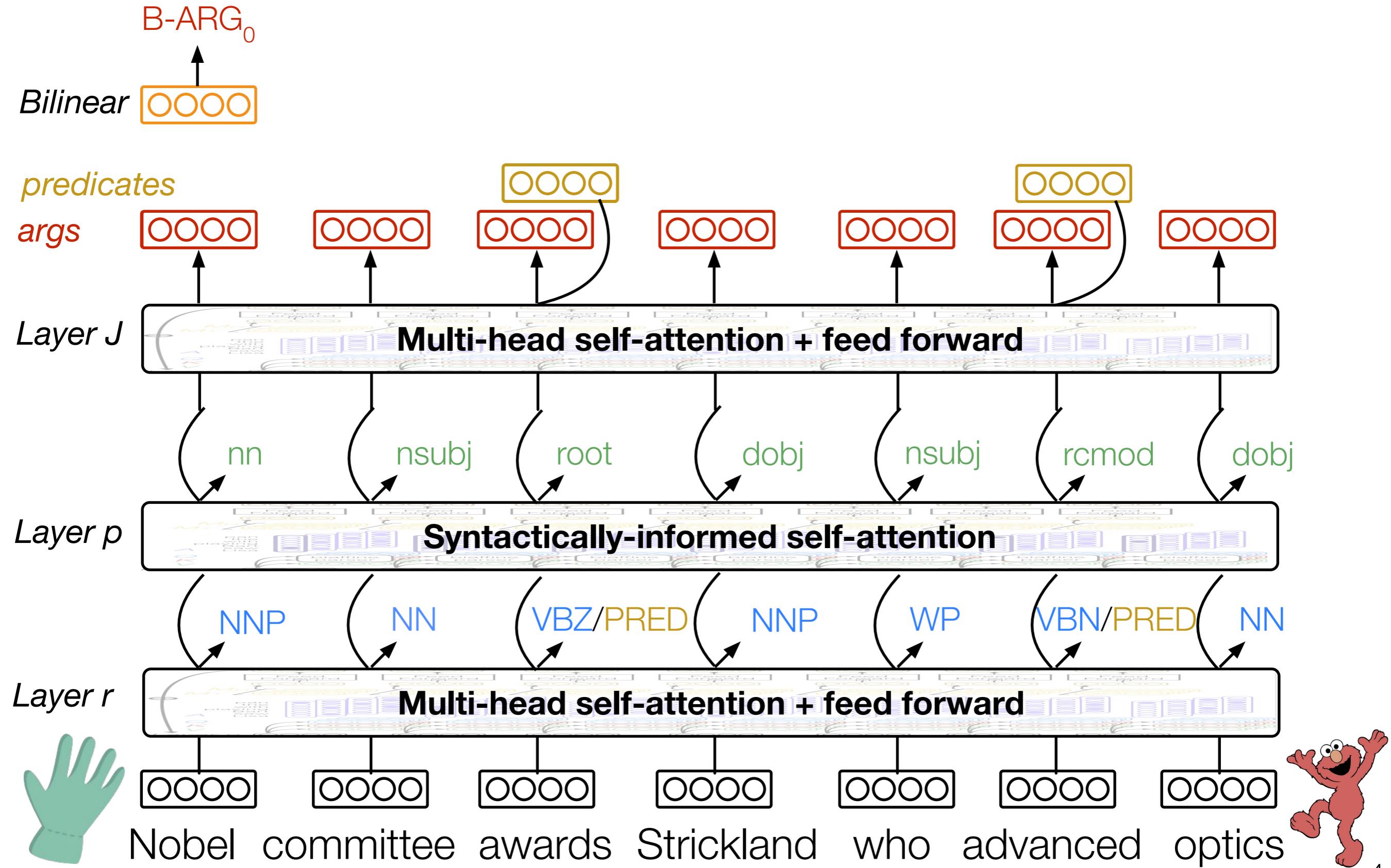
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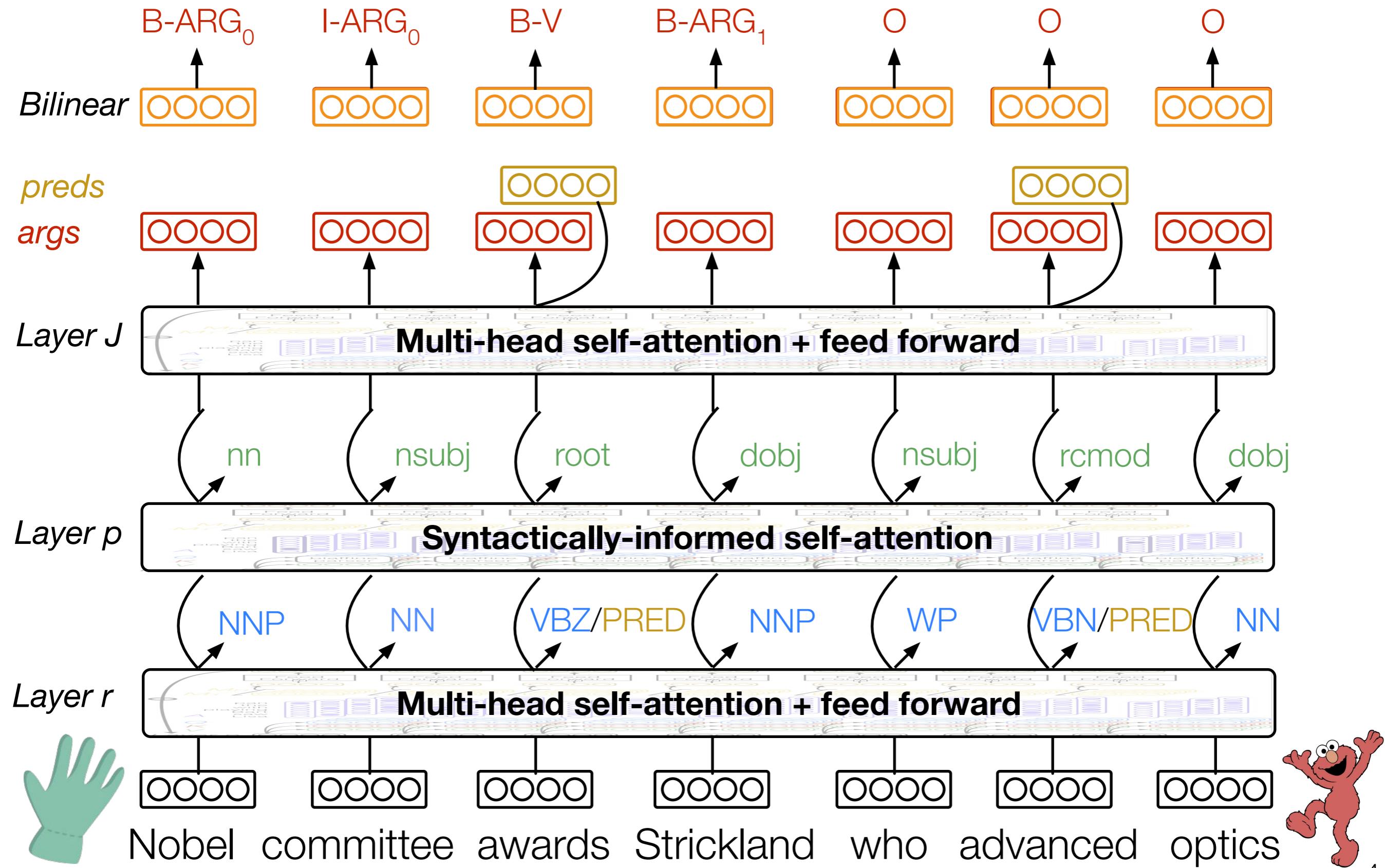
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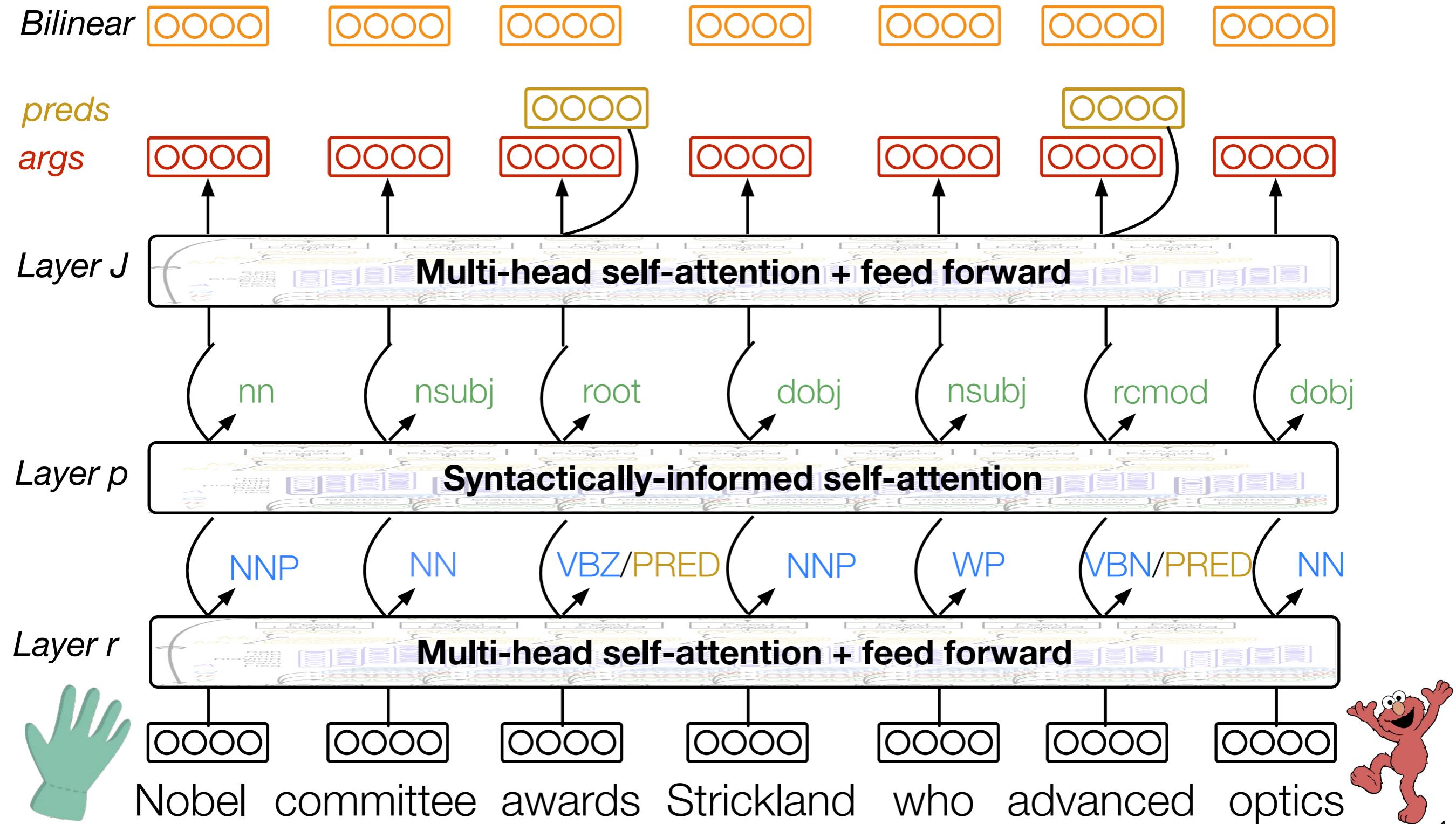


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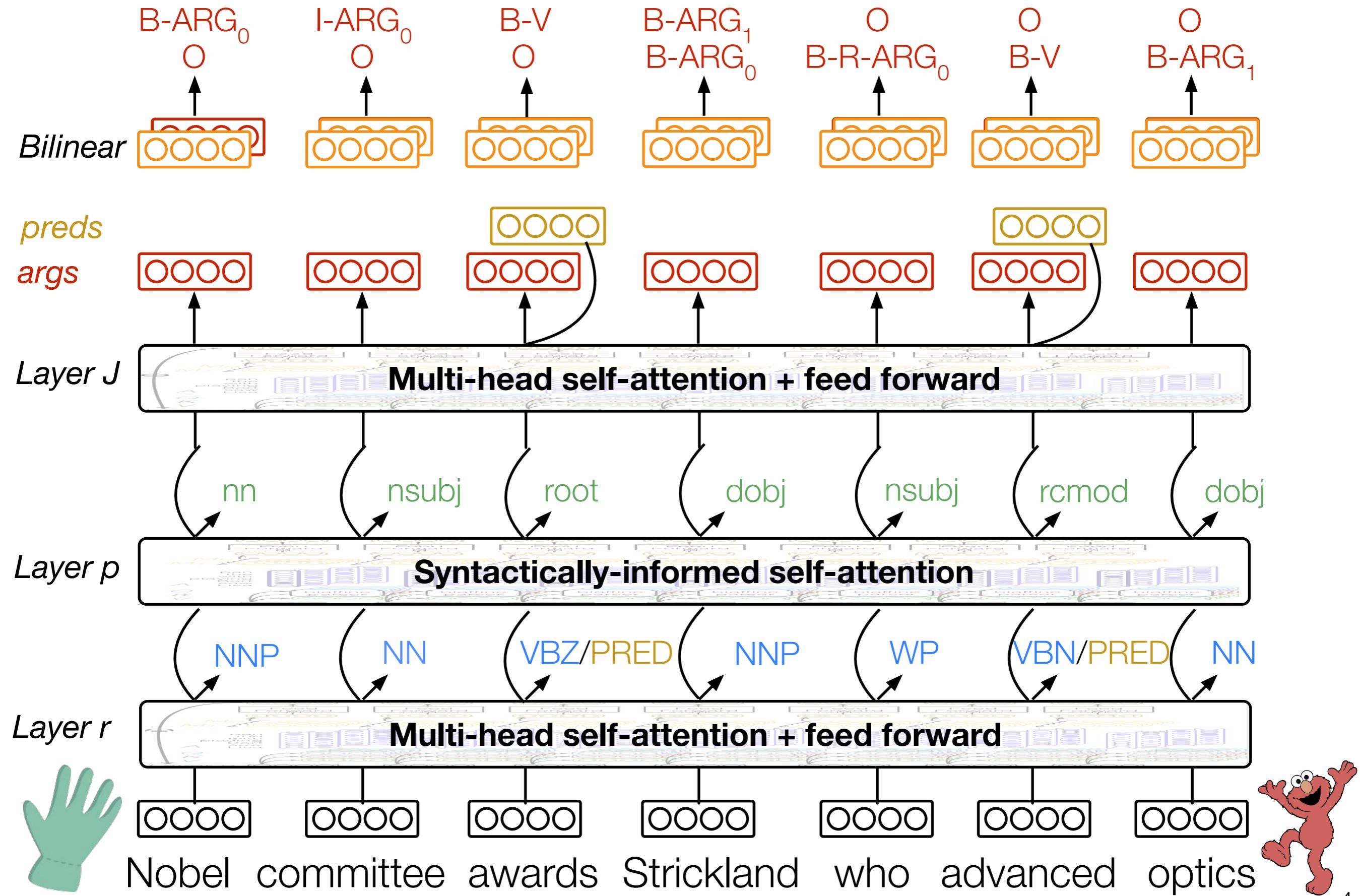


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# Experimental results

	CoNLL-2005	CoNLL-2012
<b>domains</b>	Train, dev: news Test: news, novels	Train, dev, test: 7 domains (news, telephone, bible, ...)
<b>word embeddings</b>	GloVe [Pennington et al. 2014] ELMo [Peters et al. 2018]	GloVe [Pennington et al. 2014] ELMo [Peters et al. 2018]
<b>predicates</b>	predicted; gold	predicted
<b>baselines</b>	He et al. 2017 He et al. 2018 Tan et al. 2018	He et al. 2018
<b>our models</b>	SA LISA LISA+D&M, +Gold Lisa_Gold	SA LISA LISA+D&M, +Gold Lisa_Gold

# Experimental results: CoNLL-2005

	 GloVe	 ELMo		
	in-domain	out-of-domain	in-domain	out-of-domain
He et al. 2017	82.7	70.1	---	---
He et al. 2018	82.5	70.8	86.0	76.1
SA	83.72	71.51	86.09	76.35
LISA	83.61	71.91	86.55	78.05
+D&M	94.9 UAS 89.39	90.3 UAS 74.66	96.3 UAS 86.90	93.4 UAS 82.25

+2.49 F1      +3.86 F1      +0.9 F1      ?  
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 GloVe	 ELMo
in-domain (dev)	in-domain (dev)

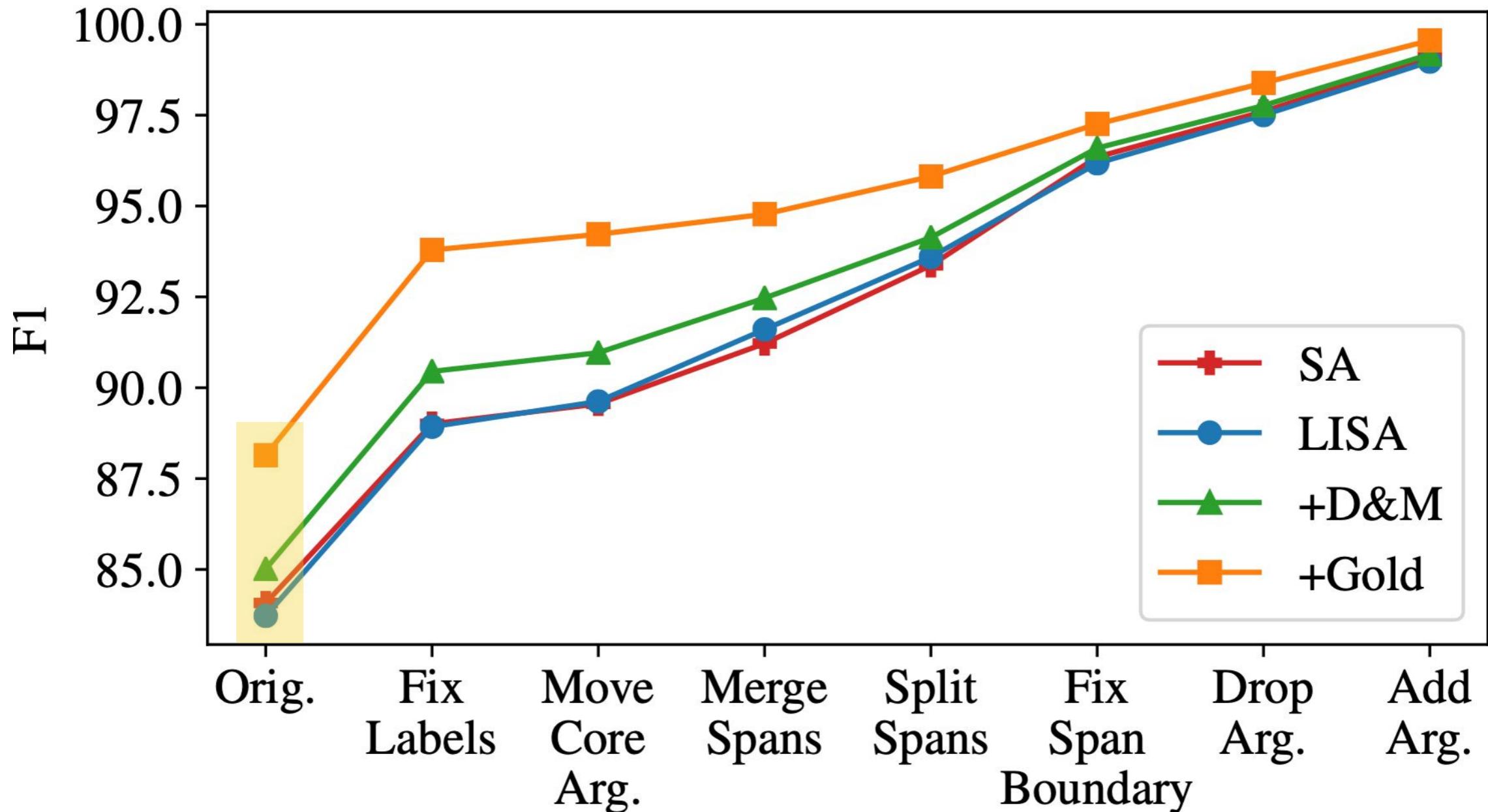
96.5 UAS!

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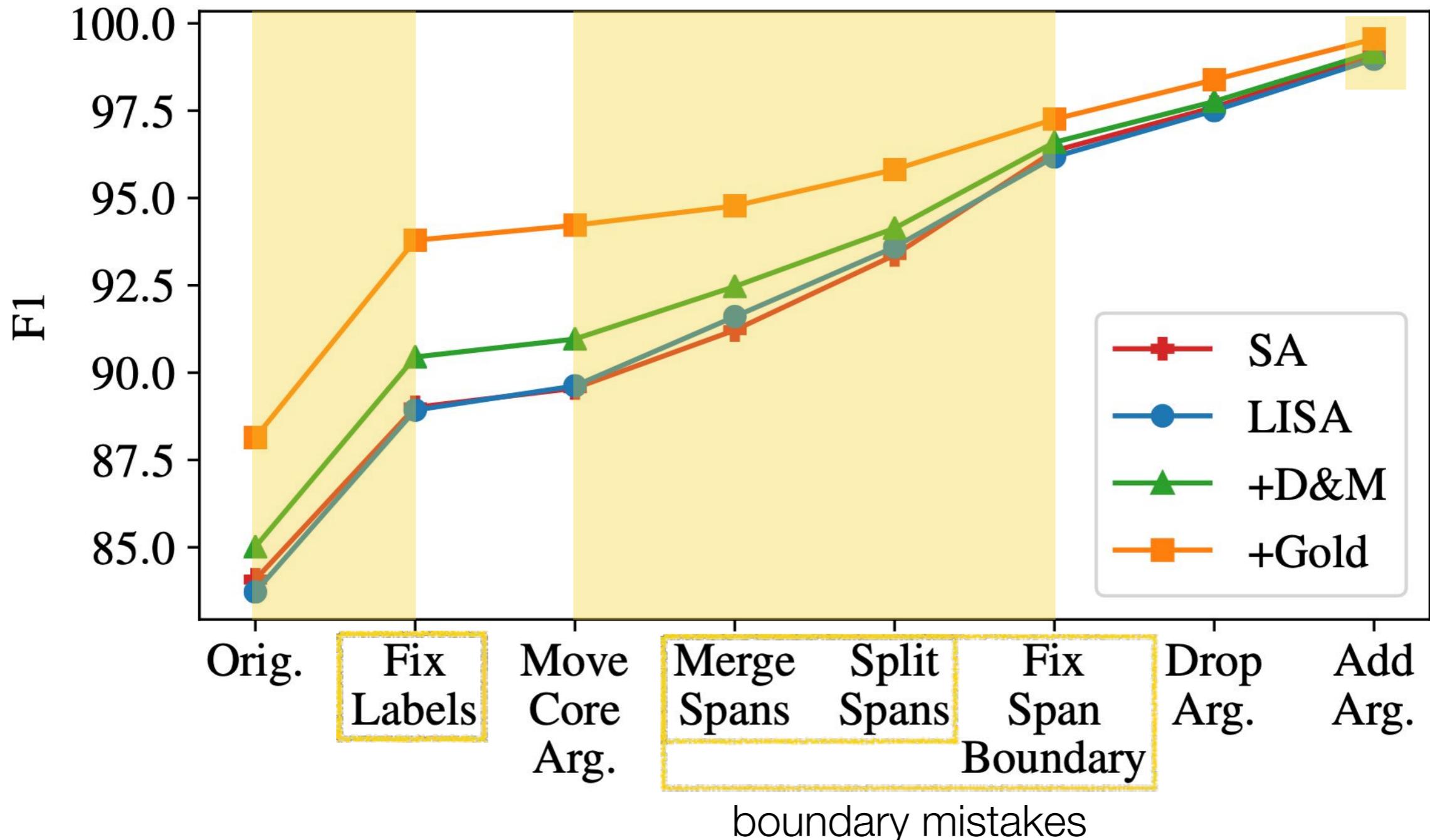
	GloVe		ELMo	
	CoNLL-05	CoNLL-12	CoNLL-05	CoNLL-12
+Gold $\Delta F1$	5.21	7.03	2.33	4.36
+D&M $\Delta F1$	1.98	2.65	-0.13	0.36

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LISA UAS	94.92	93.35	96.48	94.84
D&M UAS	---	---	96.28	94.99

# Experimental results: Analysis



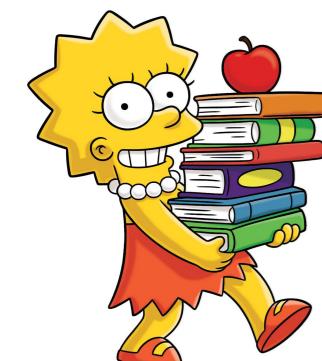
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# Summary

Thank you!

- **LISA:** Multi-task learning + multi-head self attention trained to attend to syntactic parents
  - Achieves state-of-the-art F1 on PropBank SRL
  - Linguistic structure improves generalization
  - Fast: encodes sequence *only once* to predict predicates, parts-of-speech, labeled dependency parse, SRL
- Everyone wants to run NLP on the entire web:
  - **accuracy, robustness, computational efficiency.**



**Models & Code:**

<https://github.com/strubell/LISA>

*I am on the academic job market this spring!*

# Experimental results: CoNLL-2005

**Gold predicates; GloVe embeddings** 

**WSJ Test (in-domain):**

	<b>Precision</b>	<b>Recall</b>	<b>F1</b>
He et al. 2018	84.2	83.7	83.9
Tan et al. 2018	81.2	83.9	84.8
SA	84.7	84.24	84.47
LISA	84.72	84.57	84.64
+D&M	86.02	86.05	86.04

**Brown Test (out-of-domain):**

	<b>Precision</b>	<b>Recall</b>	<b>F1</b>
He et al. 2018	74.2	73.1	73.7
Tan et al. 2018	73.5	74.6	74.1
SA	73.89	72.39	73.13
LISA	74.77	74.32	74.55
+D&M	76.65	76.44	76.54

# Experimental results: CoNLL-2012

## Predicted predicates

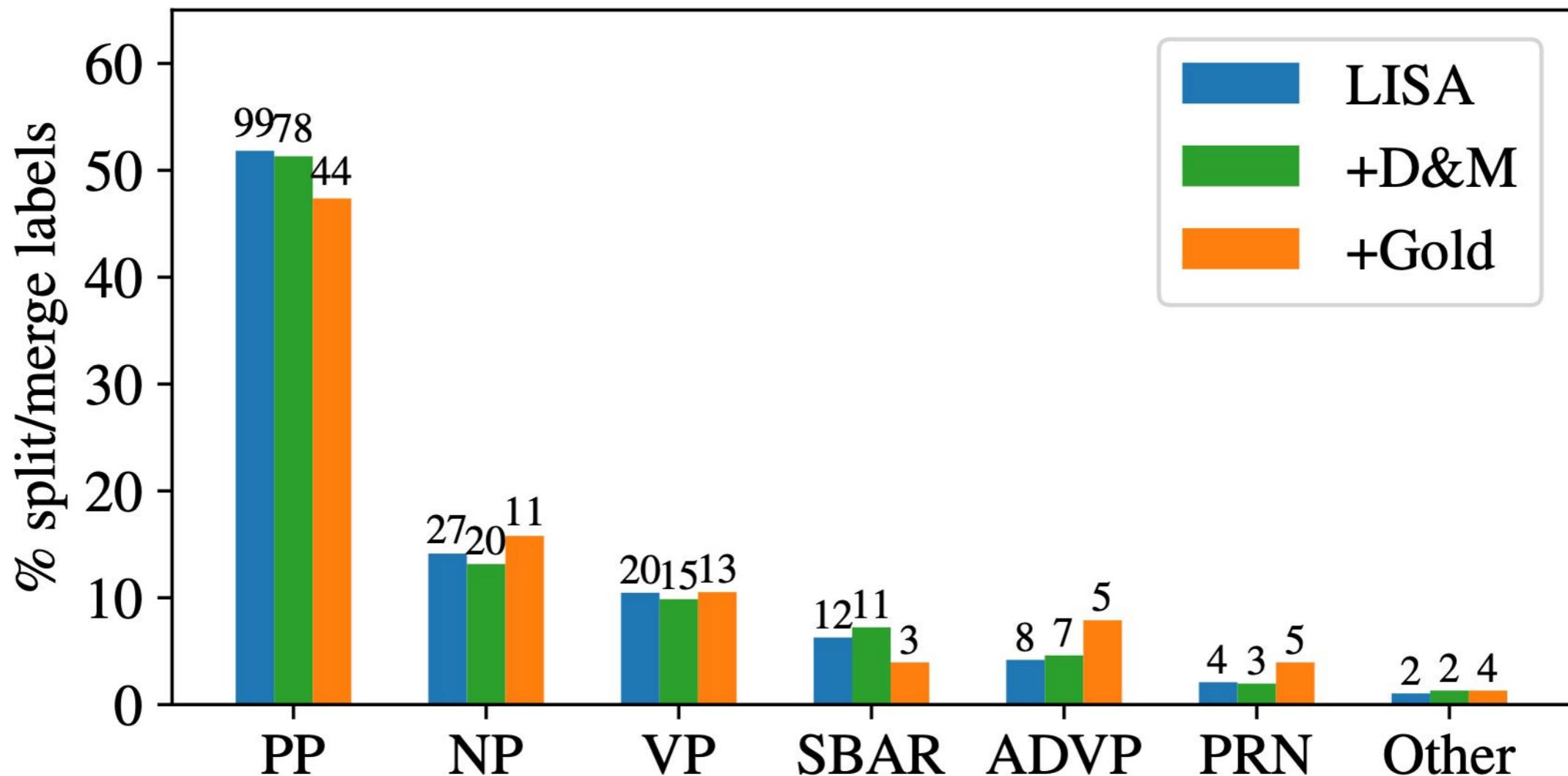


	<b>Precision</b>	<b>Recall</b>	<b>F1</b>
He et al. 2018	79.4	80.1	79.8
SA	82.55	80.02	81.26
LISA	81.86	79.56	80.70
+D&M	83.3	81.38	82.33



	<b>Precision</b>	<b>Recall</b>	<b>F1</b>
He et al. 2018	81.9	84.0	82.9
SA	84.39	82.21	83.28
LISA	83.97	82.29	83.12
+D&M	84.14	82.64	83.38

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	L+/D+	L-/D+	L+/D-	L-/D-
Proportion	26%	12%	4%	56%
SA	79.29	75.14	75.97	75.08
LISA	79.51	74.33	79.69	75.00
+D&M	79.03	76.96	77.73	76.52
+Gold	79.61	78.38	81.41	80.47

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