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Interpretable Emergent Communication from Scratch

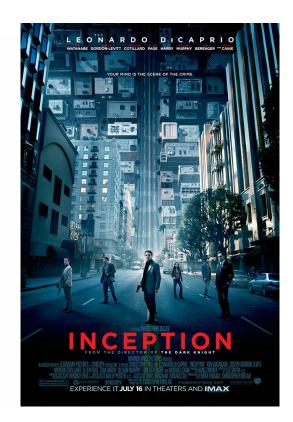
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Neural Agents and Their Performance





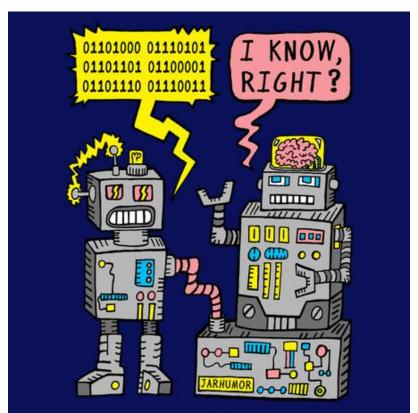


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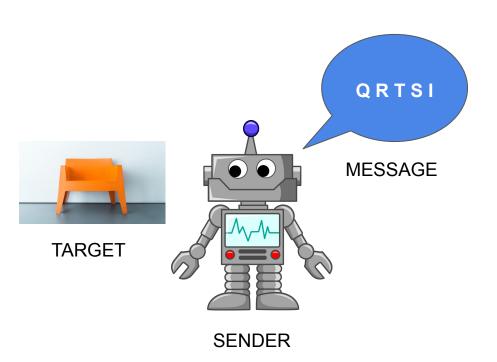
Agents' Coordination

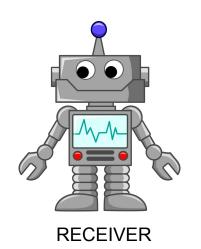


Language-Based Coordination



Discrimination Game





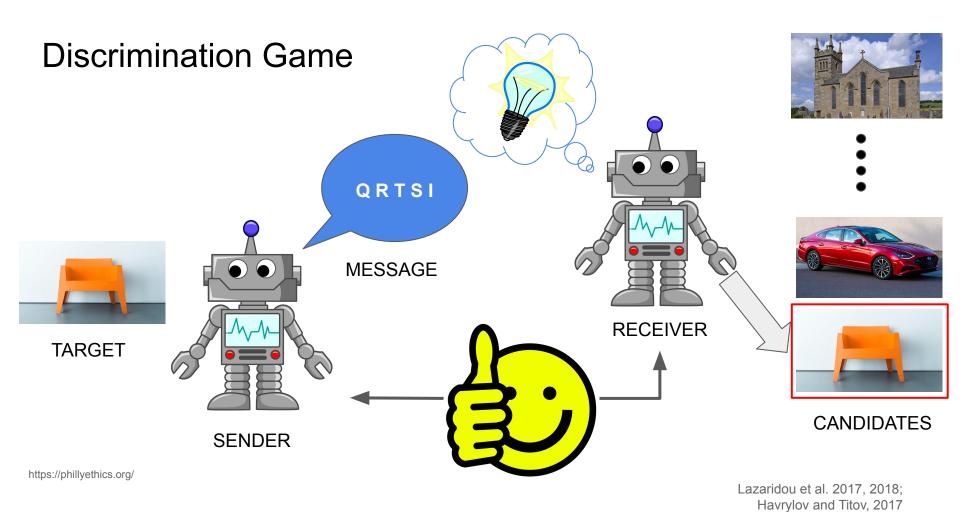








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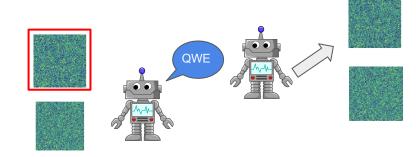
Current Shortcomings

- Limited number of concepts

Use of shared nets pre-trained

Evidence language is degenerate



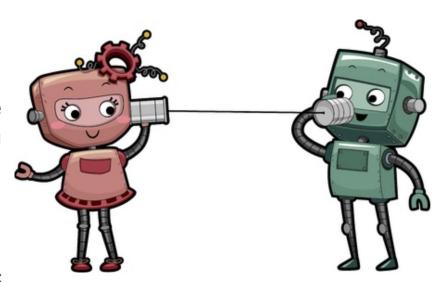


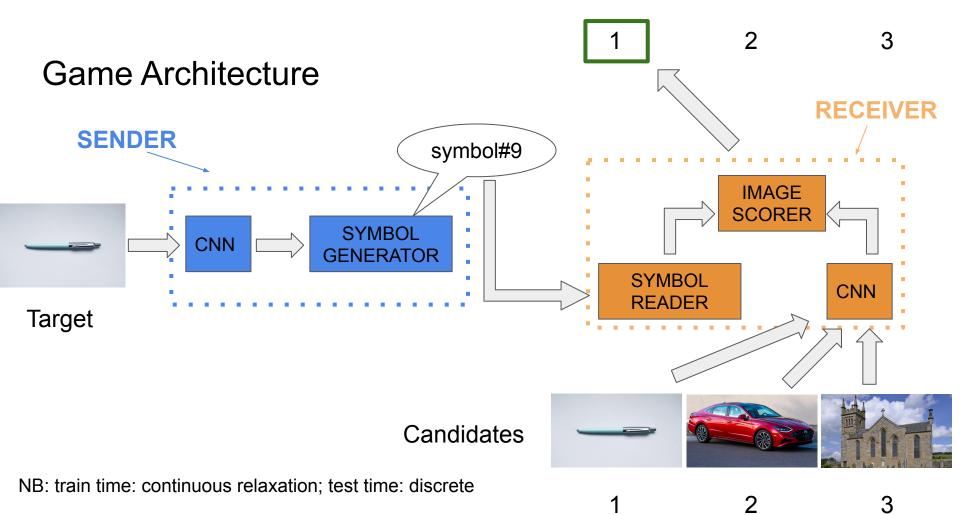
Main Goals

Develop agents that are able to recognize realistic visual input

- Recognize such input while developing a shared communication and visual system from the ground up

- Foster the emergence of a protocol that describe meaningful semantic concepts





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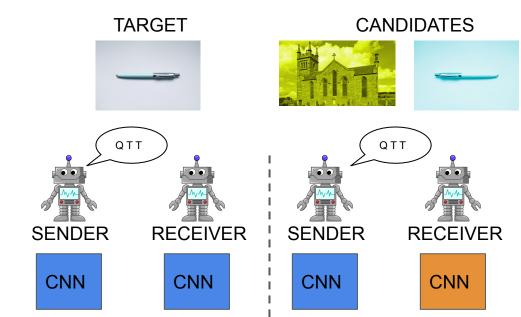
Main Novelty

- Large scale dataset
 - Use of ILSVRC-12



- Image augmentation
 - Helps avoid low-level coordination

- Non-shared visual module
 - Simulate realistic interaction

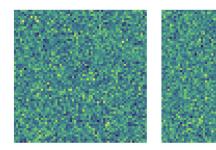


Discrimination Game

	ILSVRC-12 val	Out-of-distribution set
Chance	0.8%	0.8%
Informed Sender (Lazaridou et al. 2017)	31.2%	30.9%
Communication game - shared - augmentations	91.2%	90.8%
Communication game + shared - augmentations	92.8%	92.8%
Communication game - shared + augmentations	81.5%	72.0%
Communication game + shared + augmentations	82.2%	73.7%

Low-level Coordination

Game setup	Gaussian test set		
- shared - augmentations	43.4%		
+ shared - augmentations	84.7%		
- shared + augmentations	0.8%		
+ shared + augmentations	0.8%		

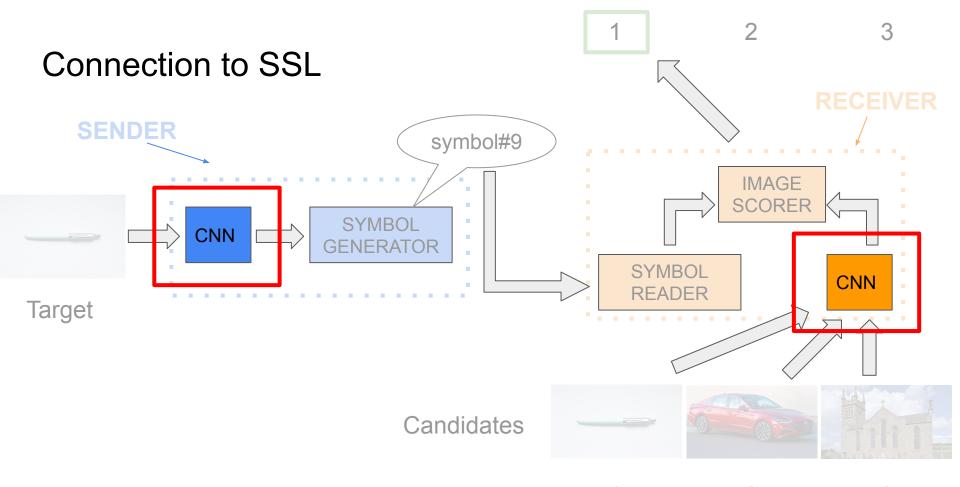


Language Analysis

	ILSVRC-val		OOD set		
Game Setup	Msg count	nMI		Msg count	nMI
- shared - augmentations	2044	0.50		1921	0.45
+ shared - augmentations	2048	NotSig		2025	NotSig
- shared + augmentations	2042	0.58		1752	0.53
+ shared + augmentations	2046	0.56		1787	0.51



Symbol 4 Symbol 5 Symbol 6



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Visual Features Evaluation and Transfer Learning

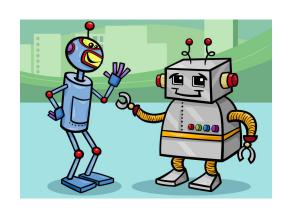
	ILSVRC-Val	Places205	iNaturalist2018	VOC207
Supervised	76.5%	53.2%	46.7%	87.5%
SimCLR	60.6%	49.0%	31.8%	78.7%
Communication game - shared + augmentations	59.0%	47.9%	30.8%	77.0%
Communication game + shared + augmentation	60.2%	49.1%	31.3%	78.8%

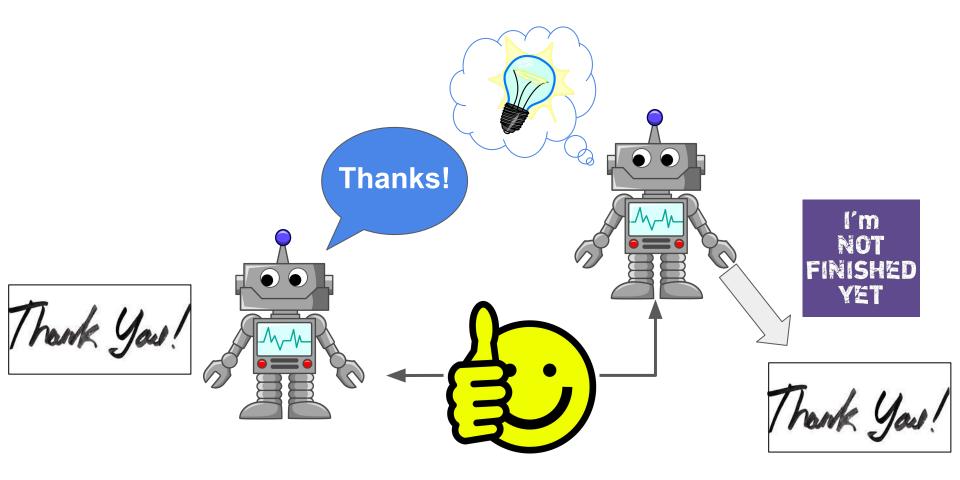
Conclusion

 Deep agents can learn to communicate about a high number of (unseen) object categories

 Agents' communication is interpretable and can be seen as a form of unsupervised image labelling

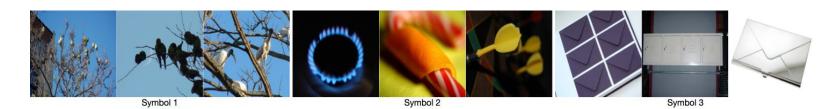
 Communication helps developing high-quality and reusable visual features from scratch







ILSVRC-12



Out of Distribution set

Future Work

Communication with longer messages

- Contextually realistic distractors in the referential game

- Connection between emergent communication and SSL

