

GRAPH-BASED  
POSTERIOR REGULARIZATION  
FOR  
SEMI-SUPERVISED  
STRUCTURED PREDICTION

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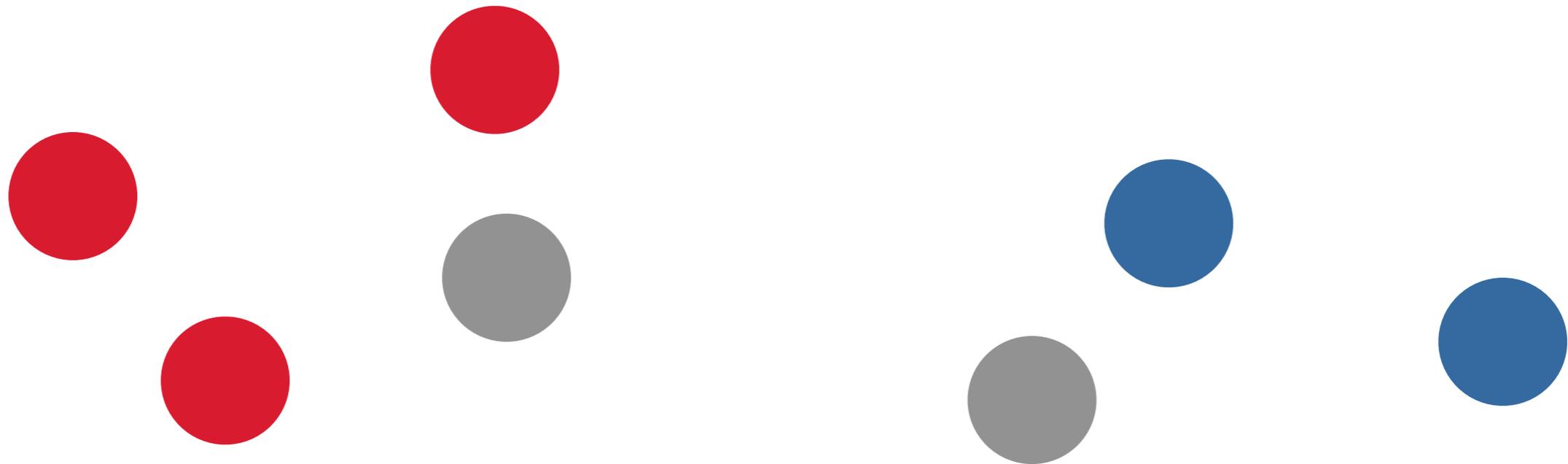
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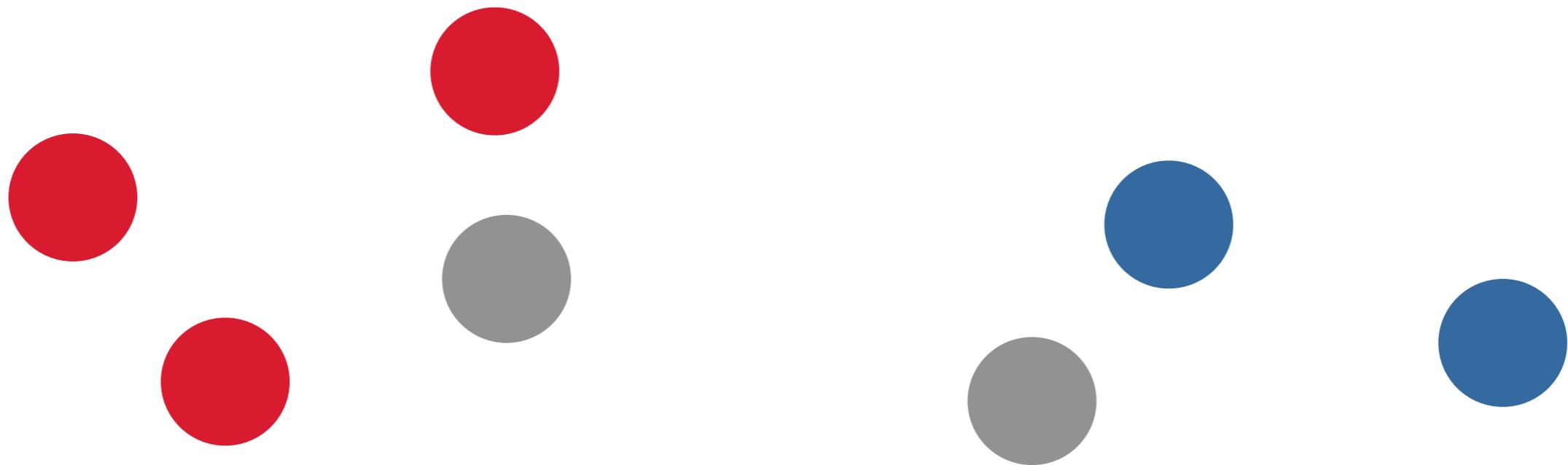


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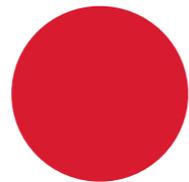
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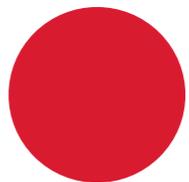
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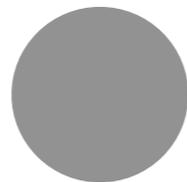
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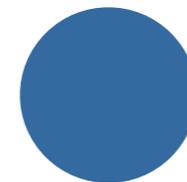
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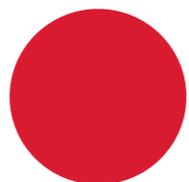
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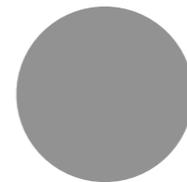
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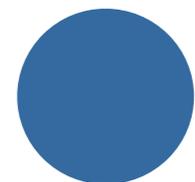
luck **run** out



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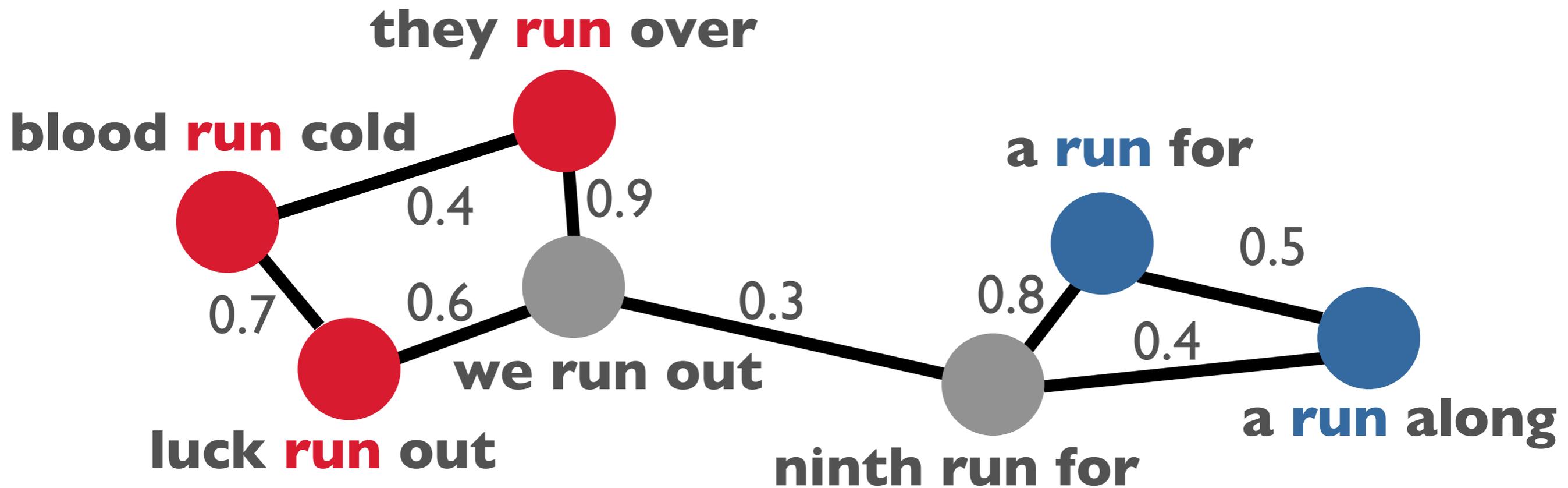


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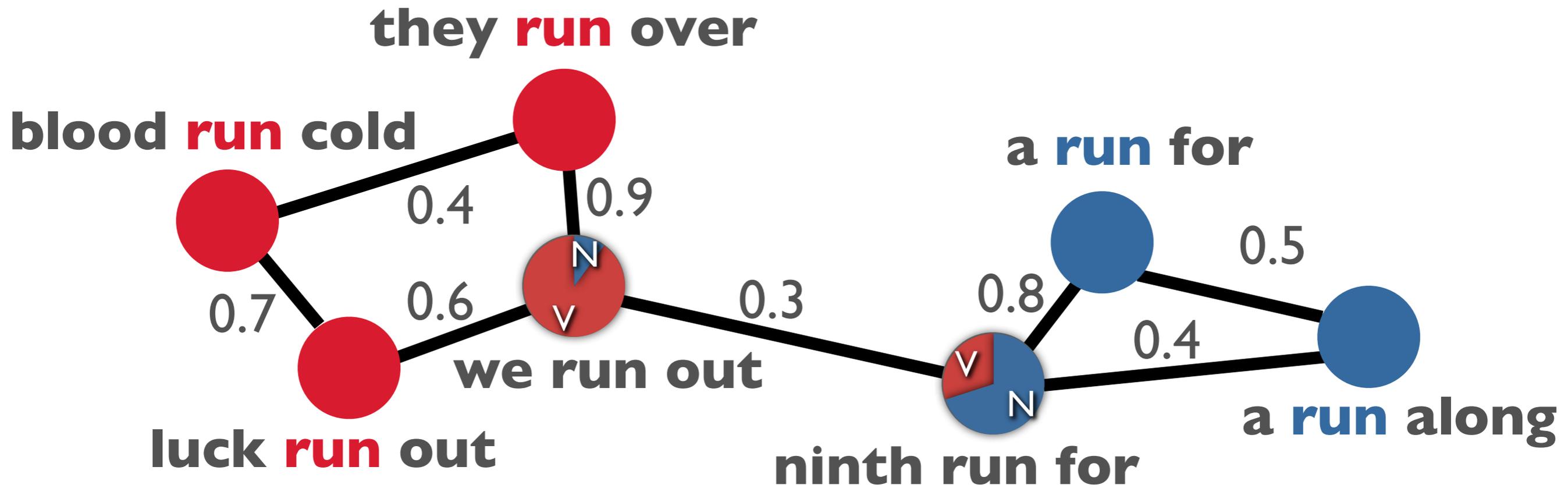
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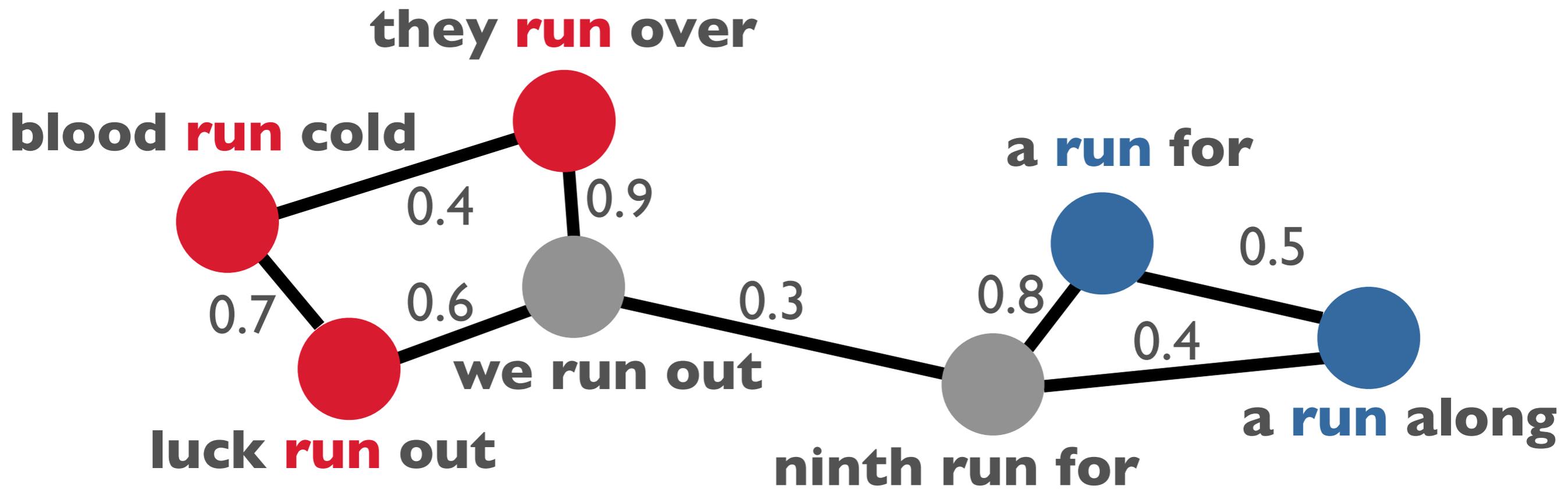
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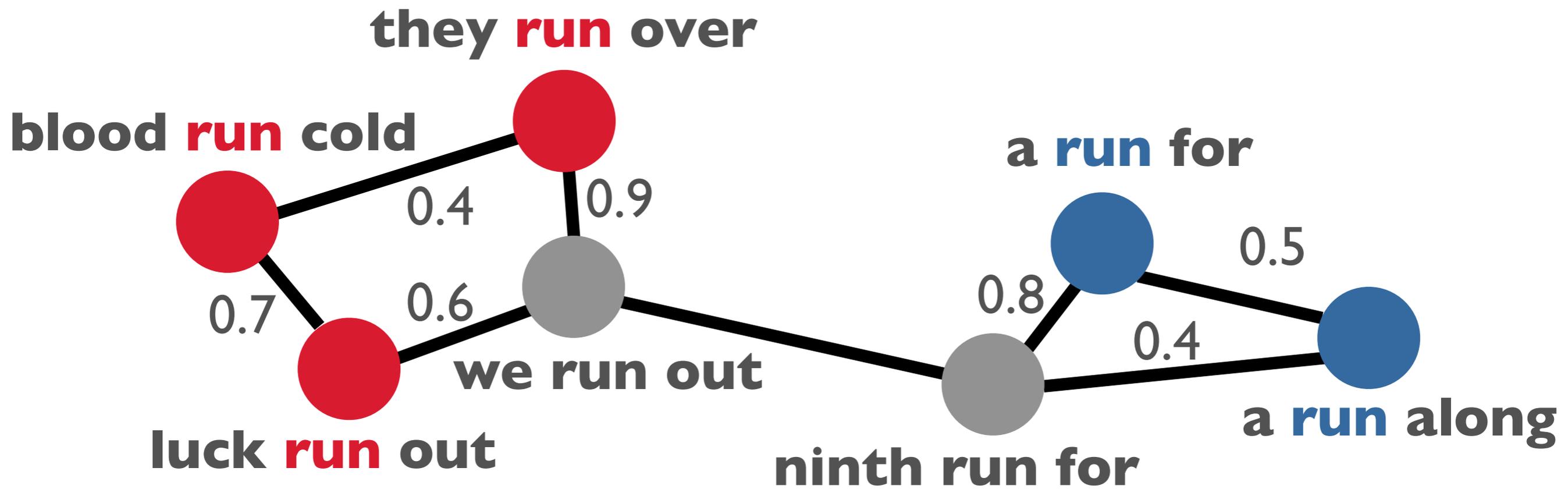
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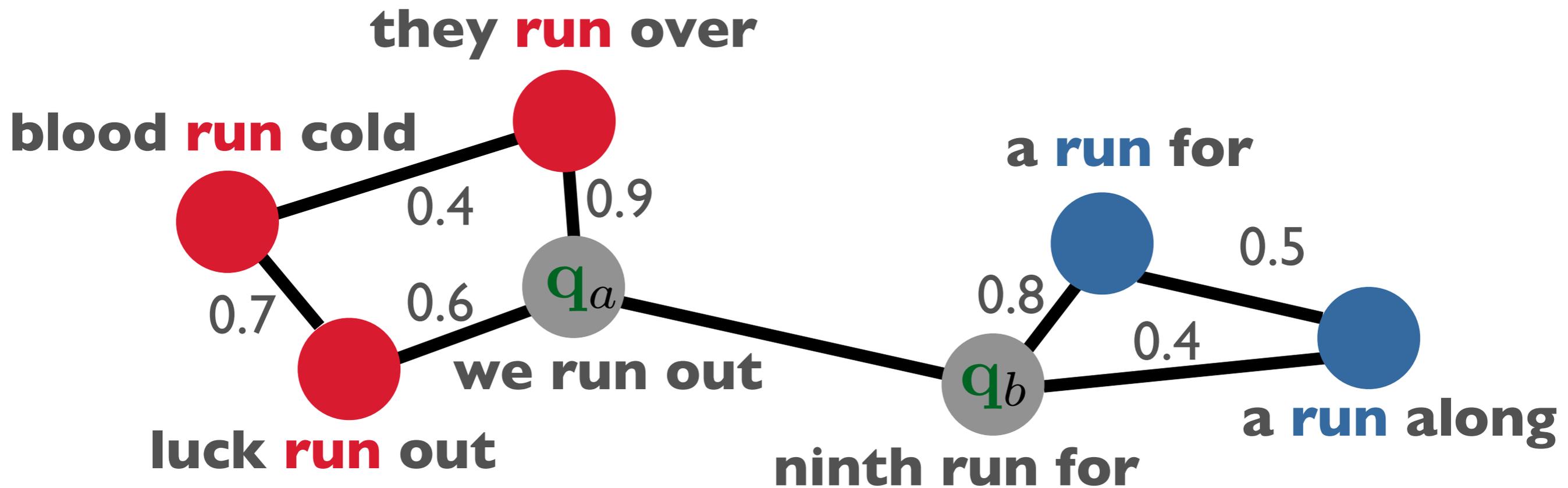
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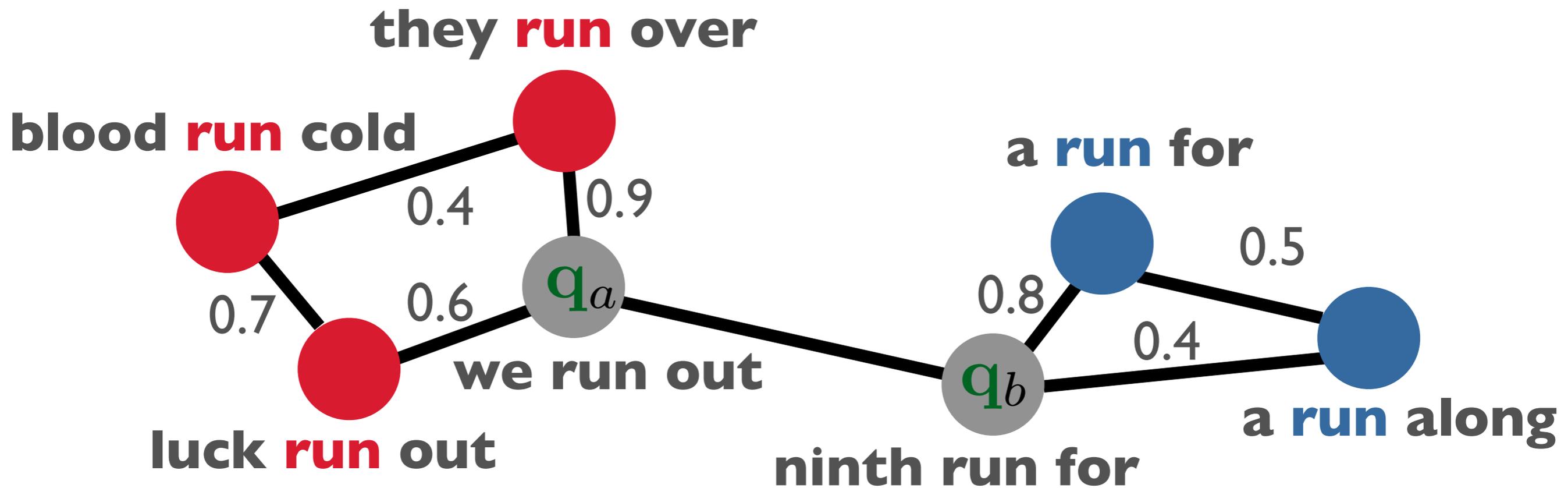
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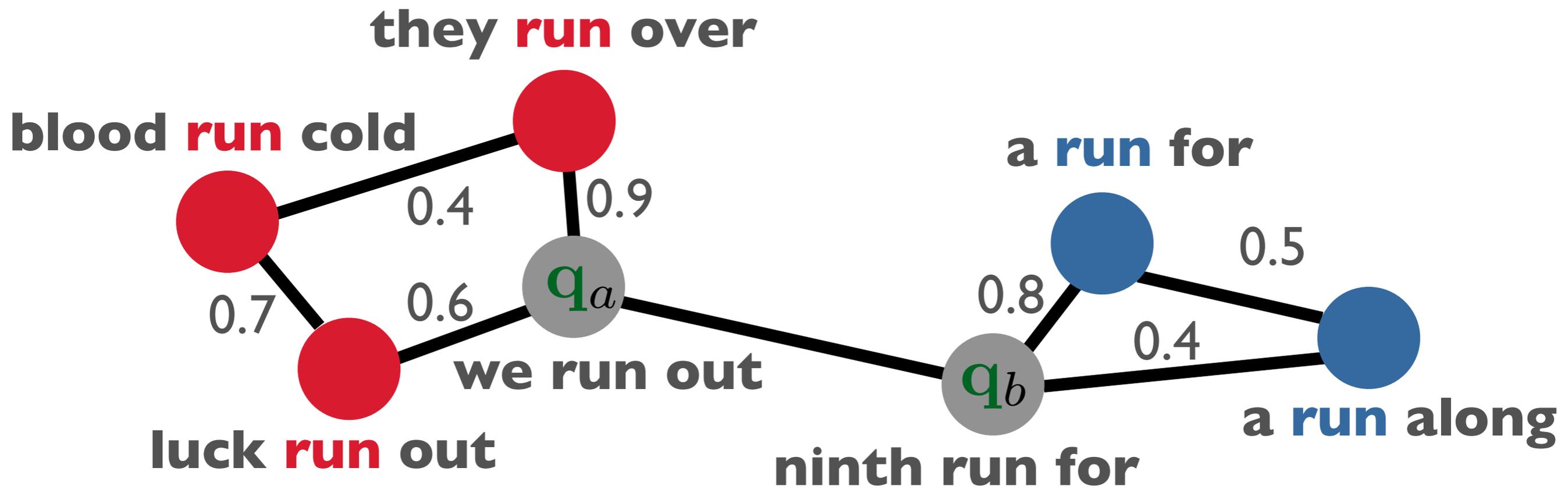
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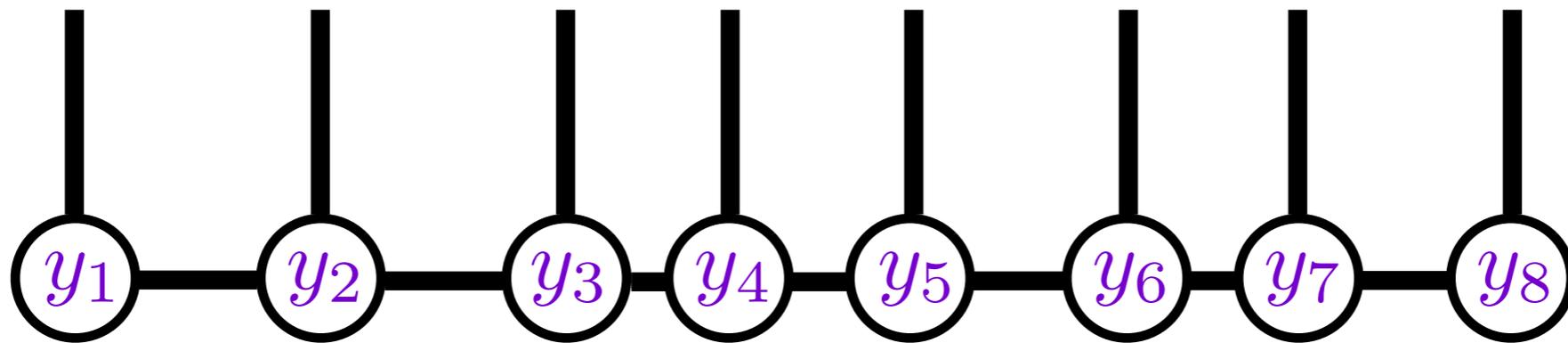
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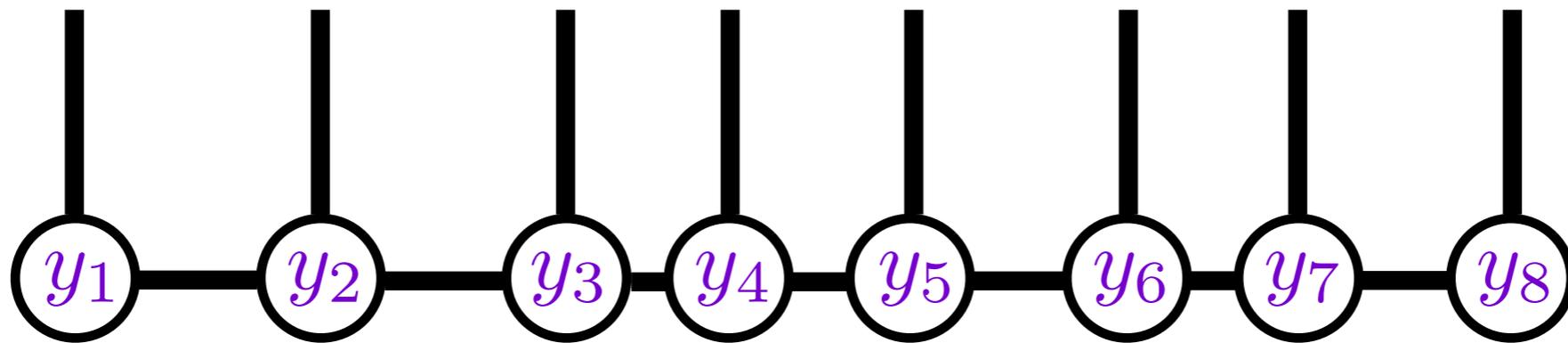
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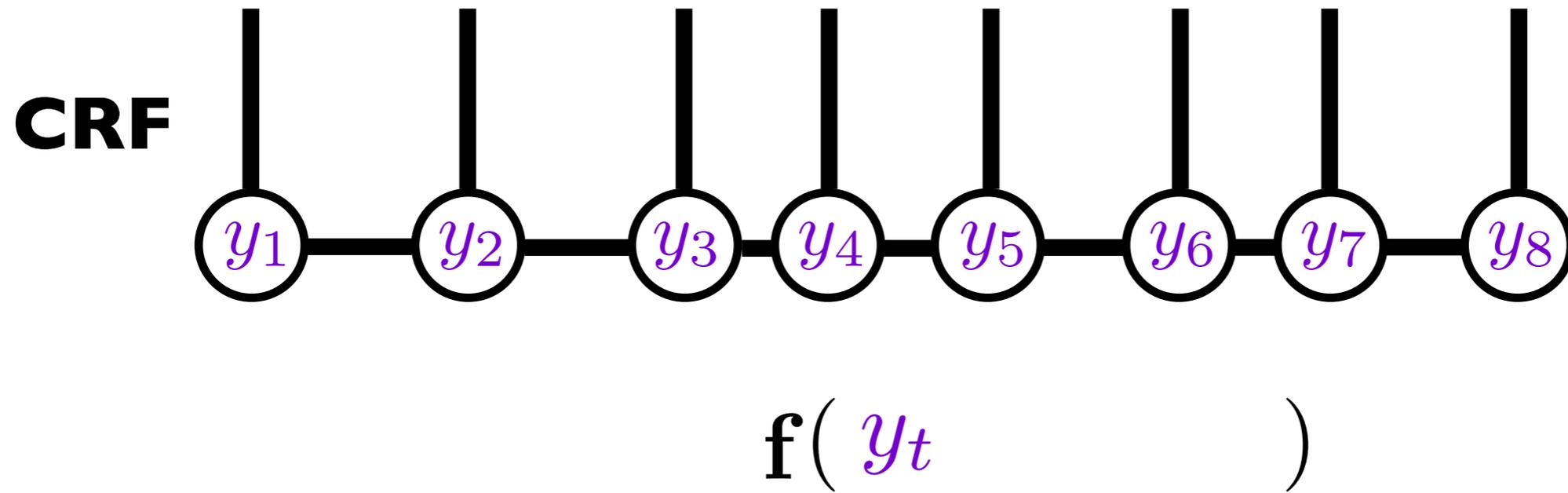
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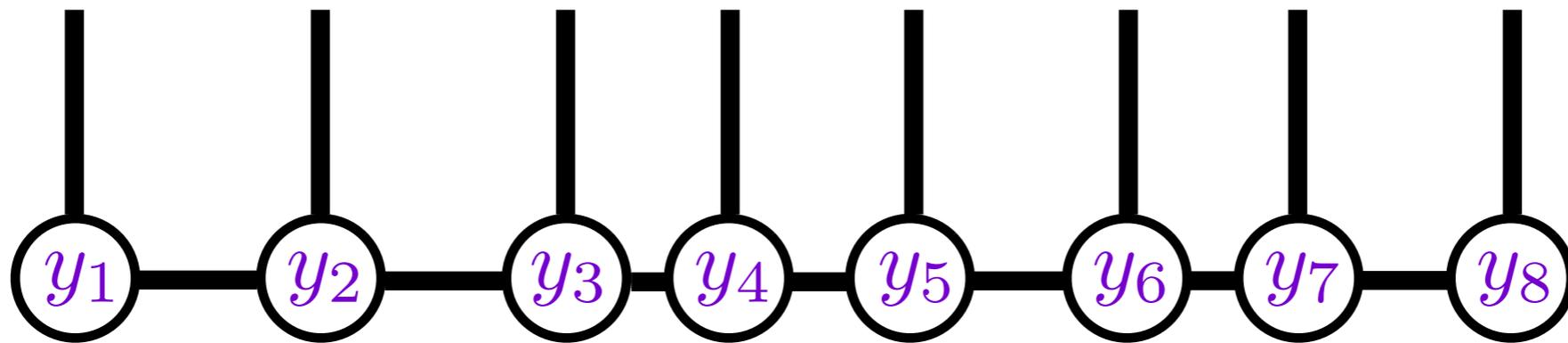
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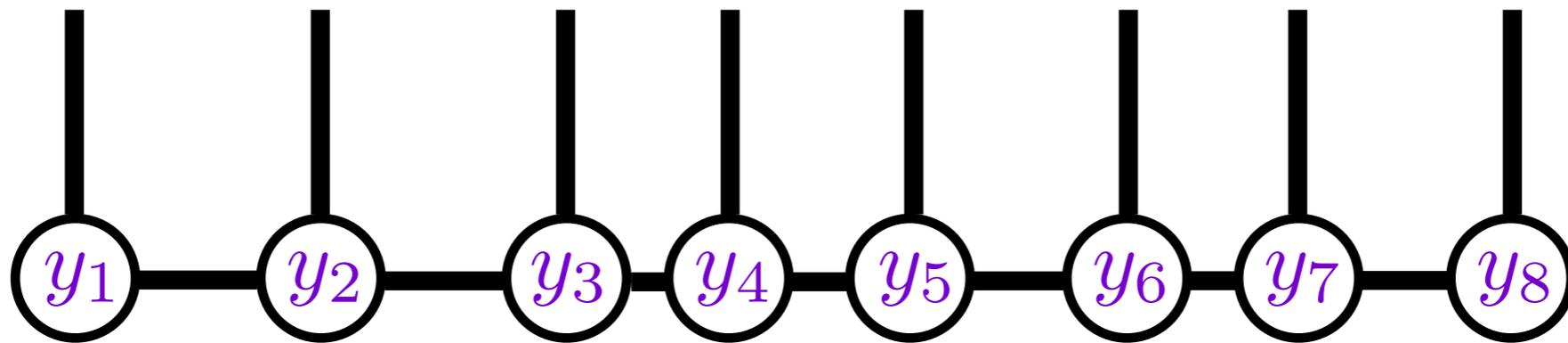


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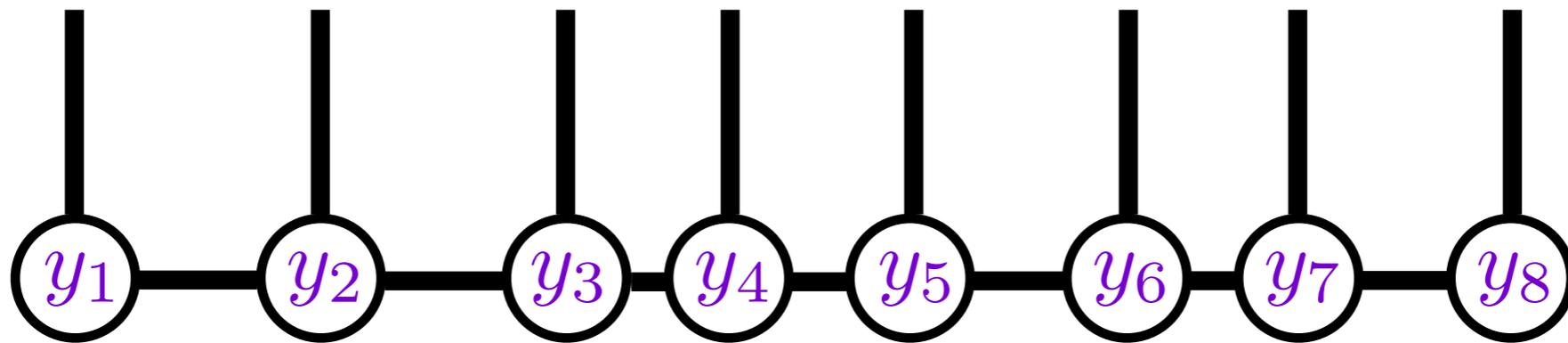


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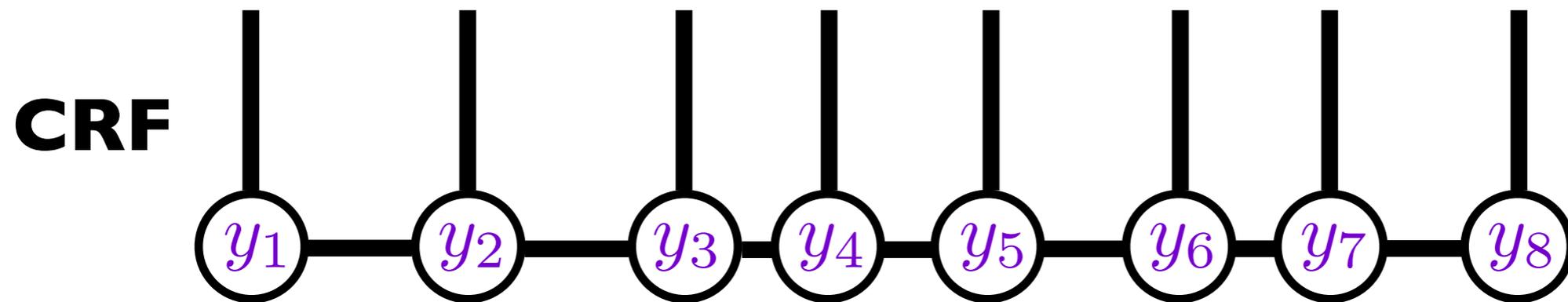


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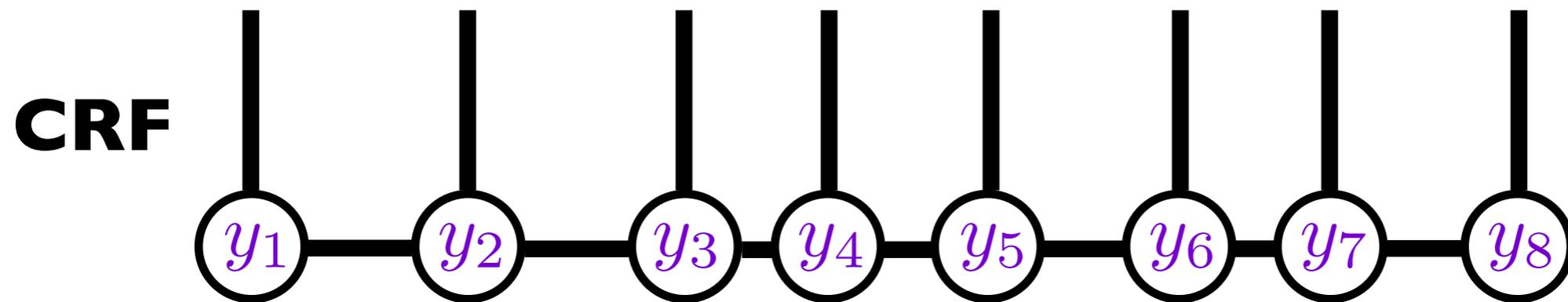
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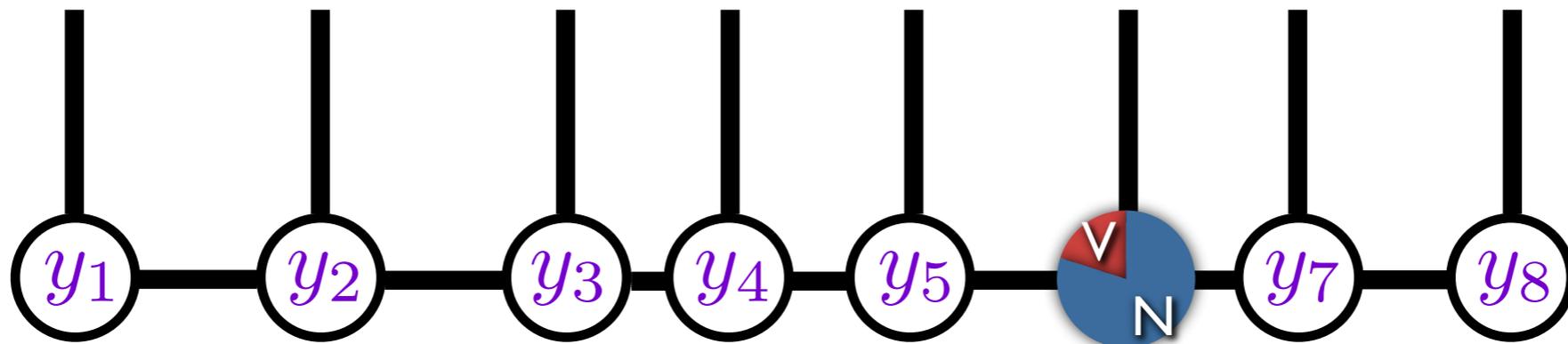
$$\text{NLik}(p_{\theta}) = - \sum_{i=1}^{\ell} \log p_{\theta}(\mathbf{y}^i \mid \mathbf{x}^i)$$

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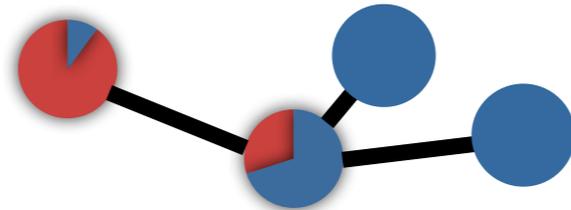
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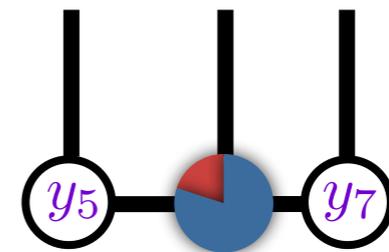
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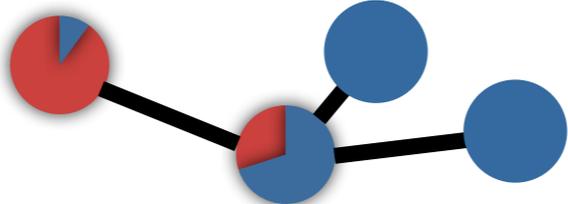
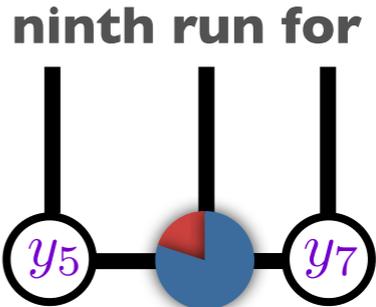
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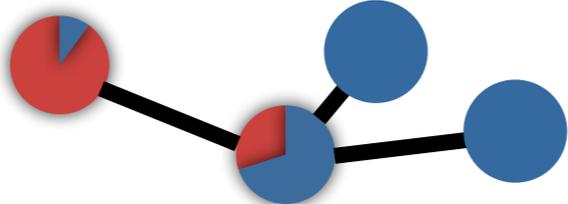
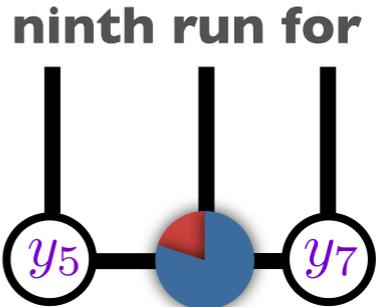

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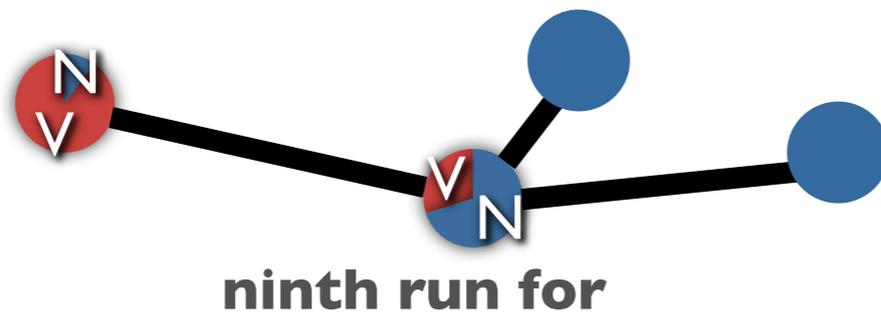
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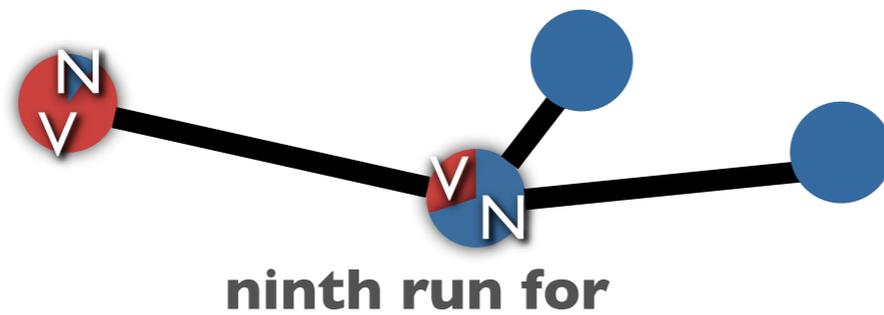
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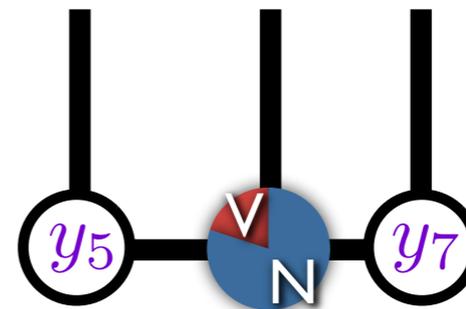


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$\text{Lap}(q)$  graph-propagation + CRF estimation  $\text{NLik}(p_\theta)$



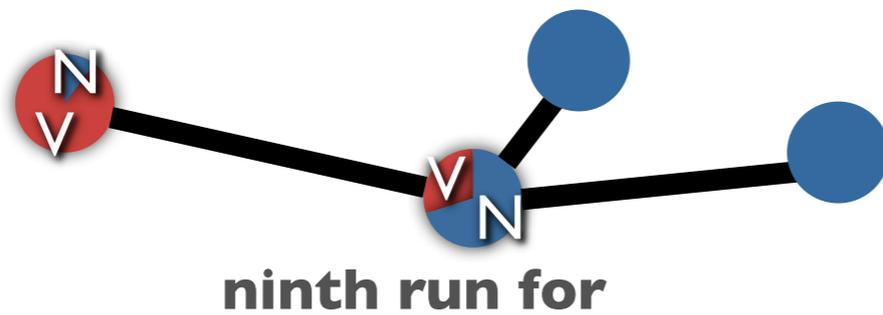
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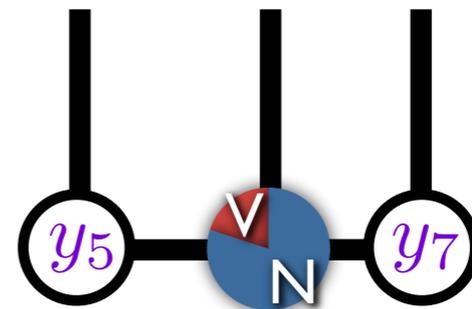
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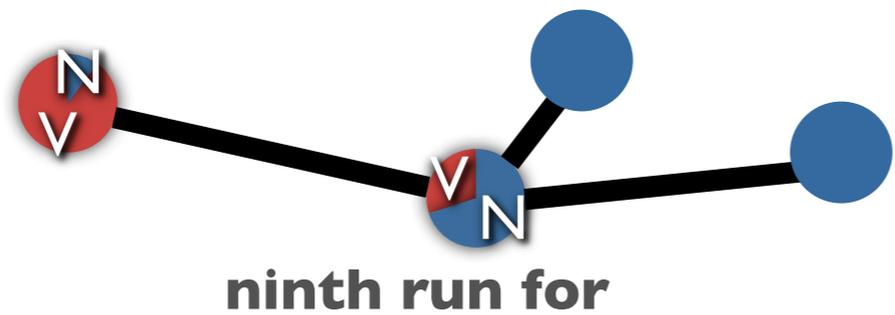
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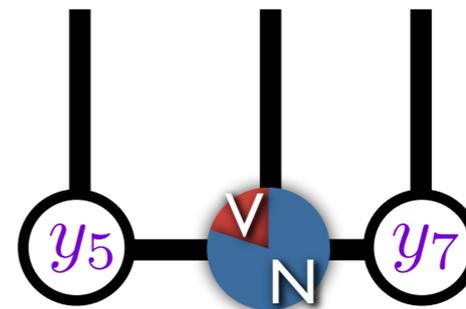
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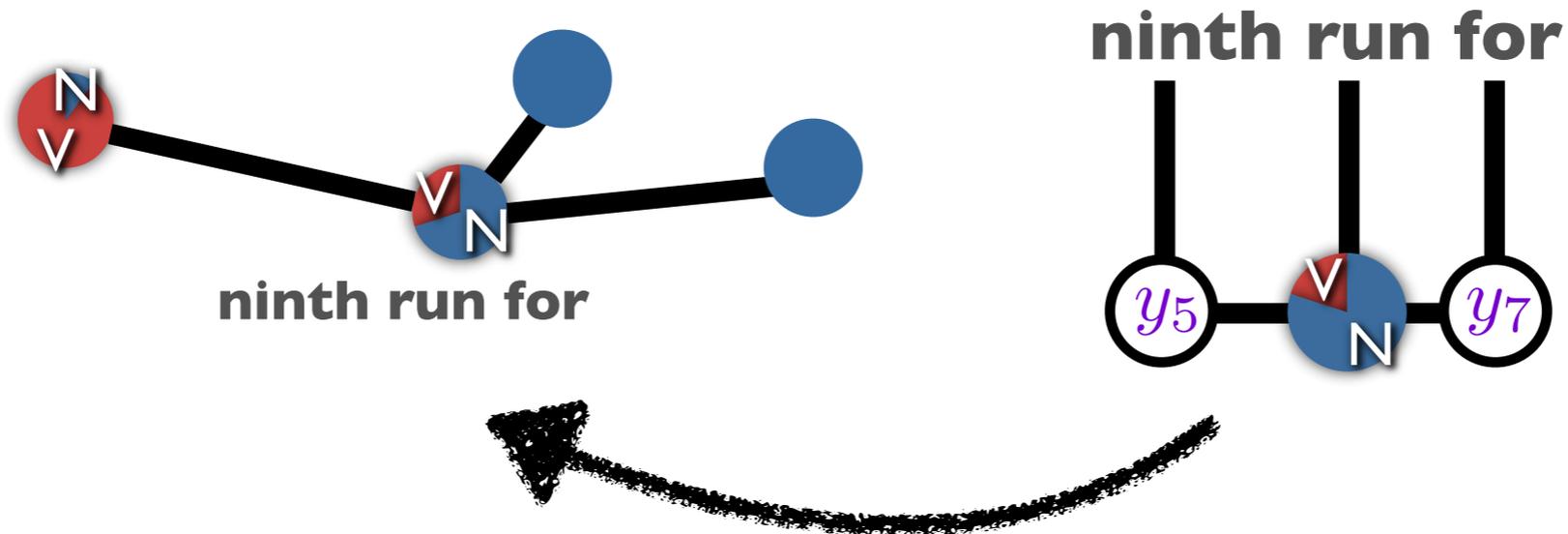
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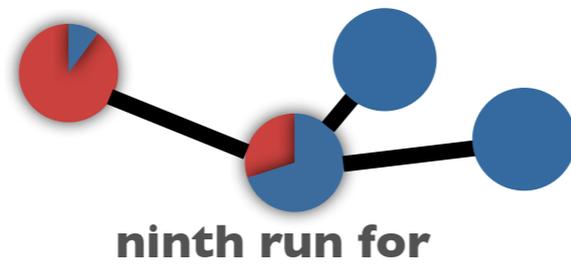
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**This work:** retains efficiency while optimizing an extendible, joint objective.

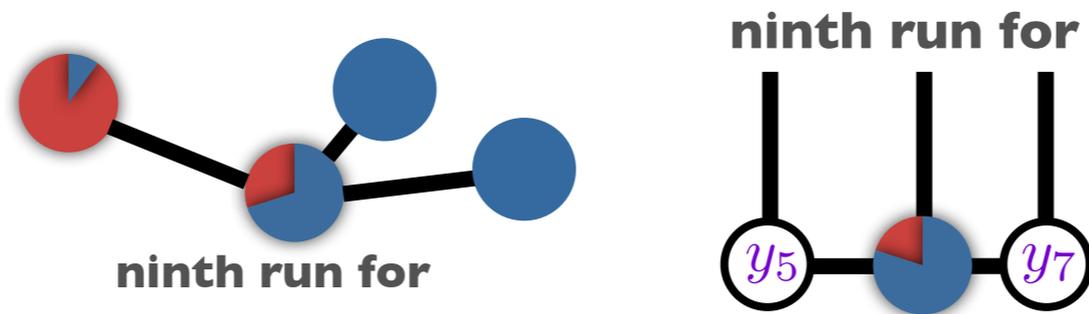
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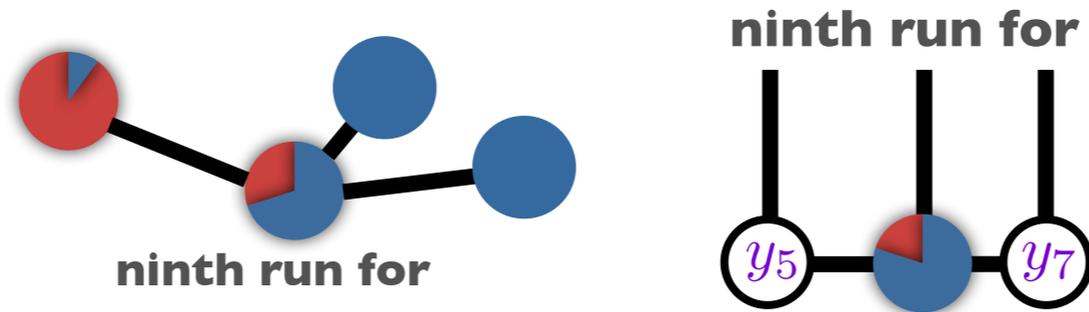
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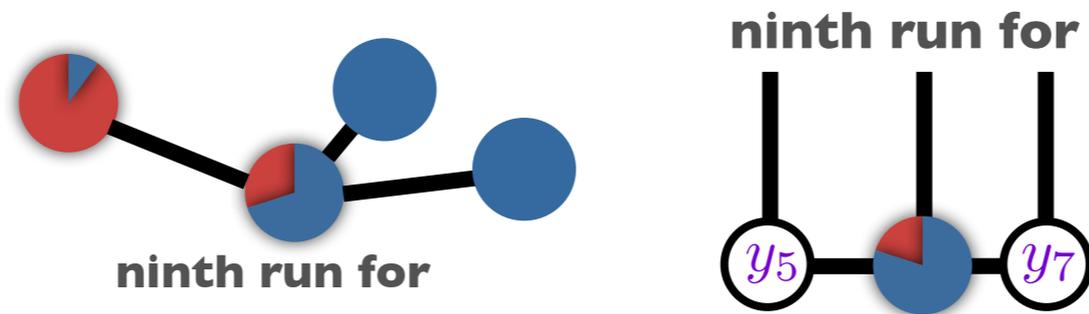
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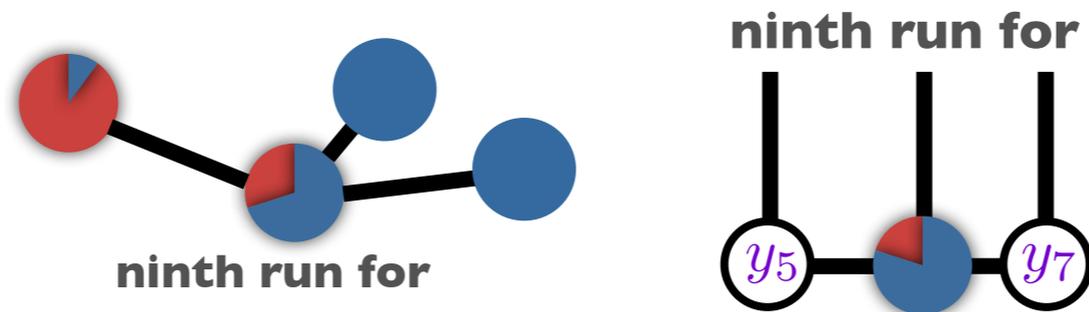
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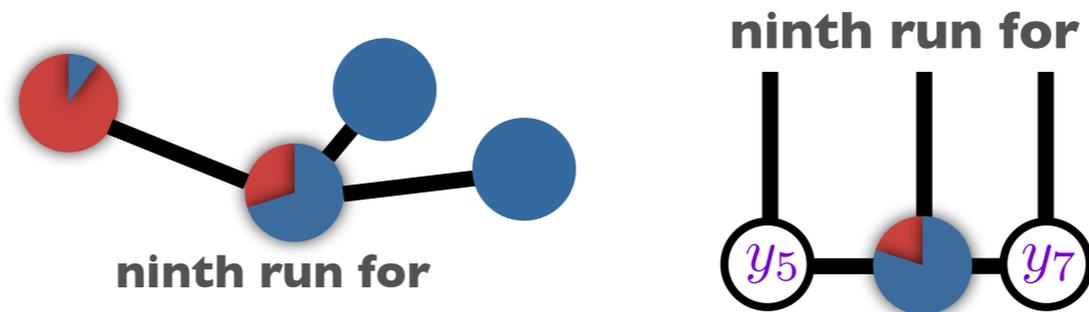
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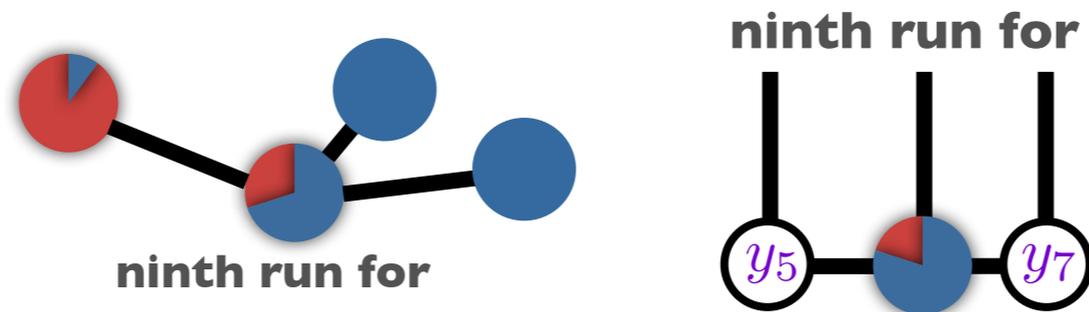


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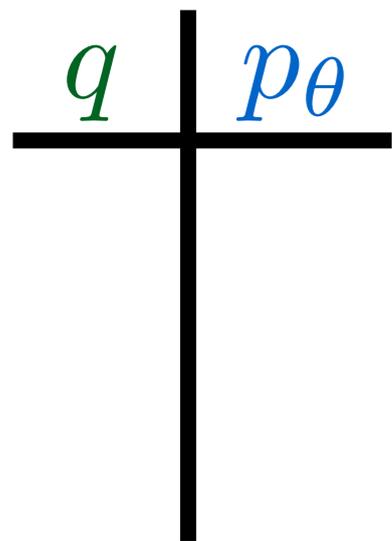
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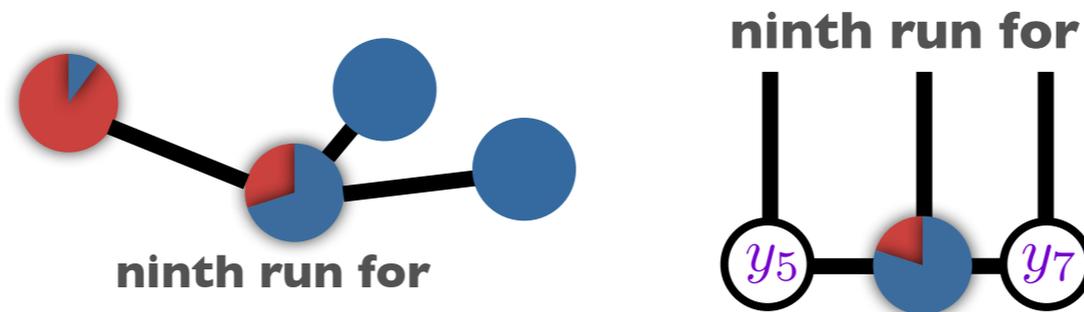


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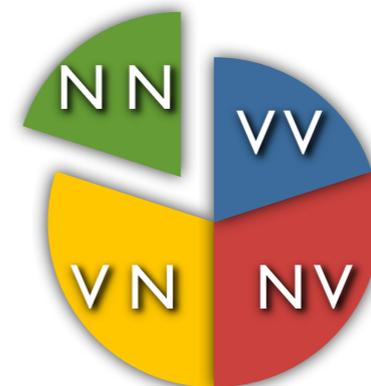
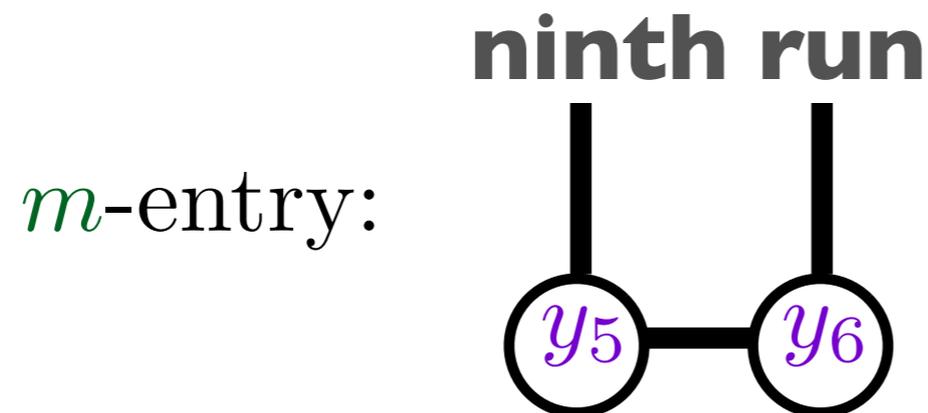
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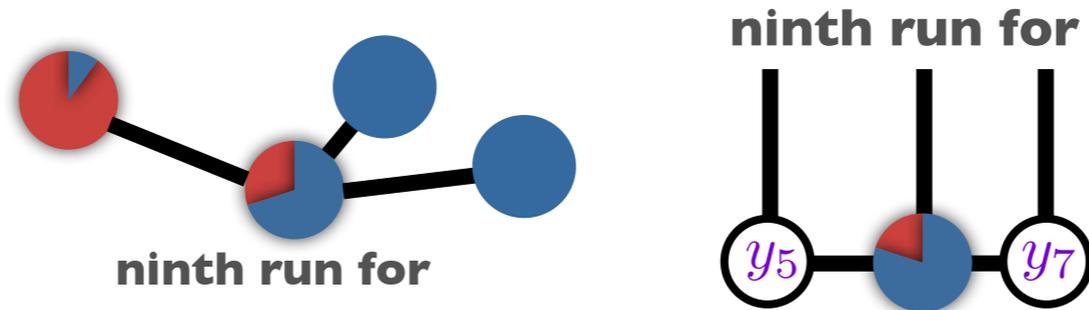
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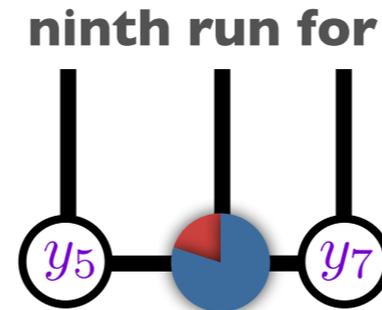
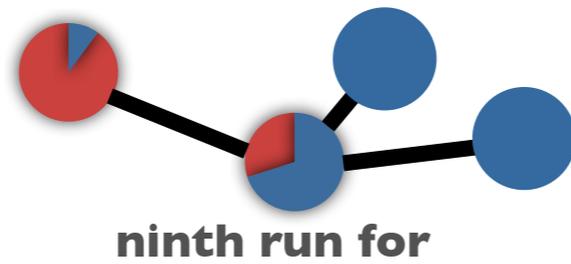
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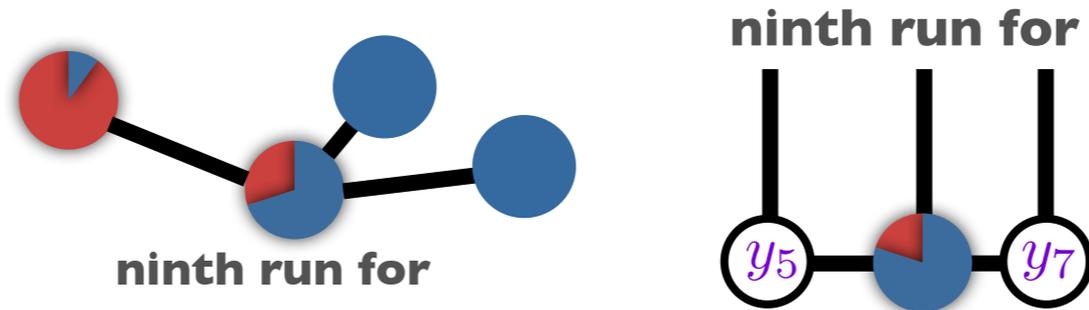
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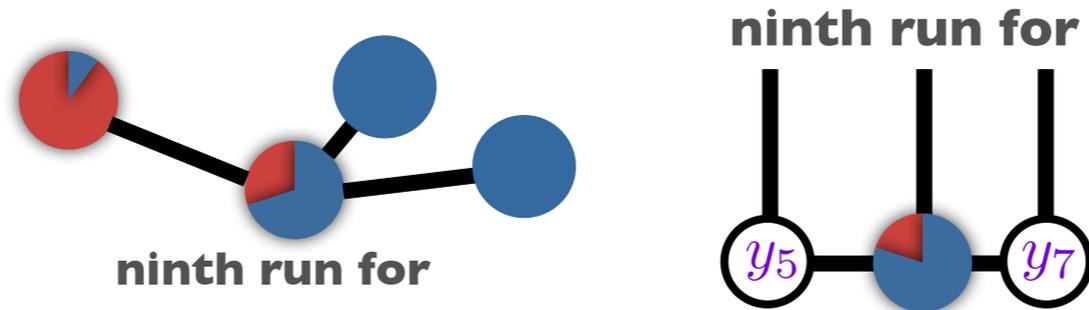


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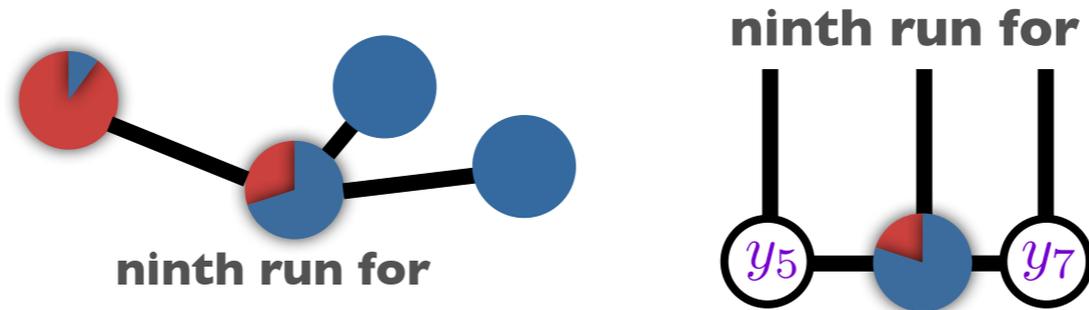


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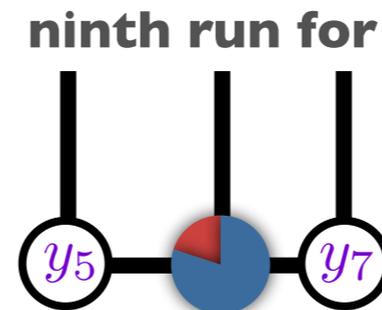
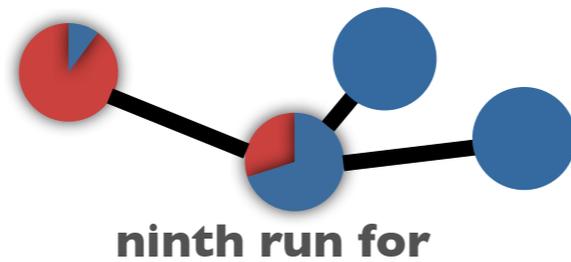
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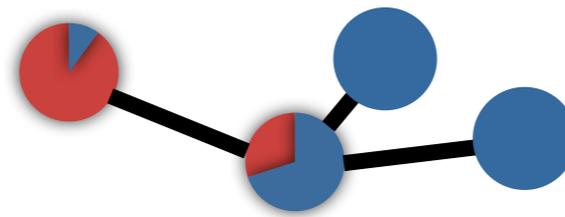
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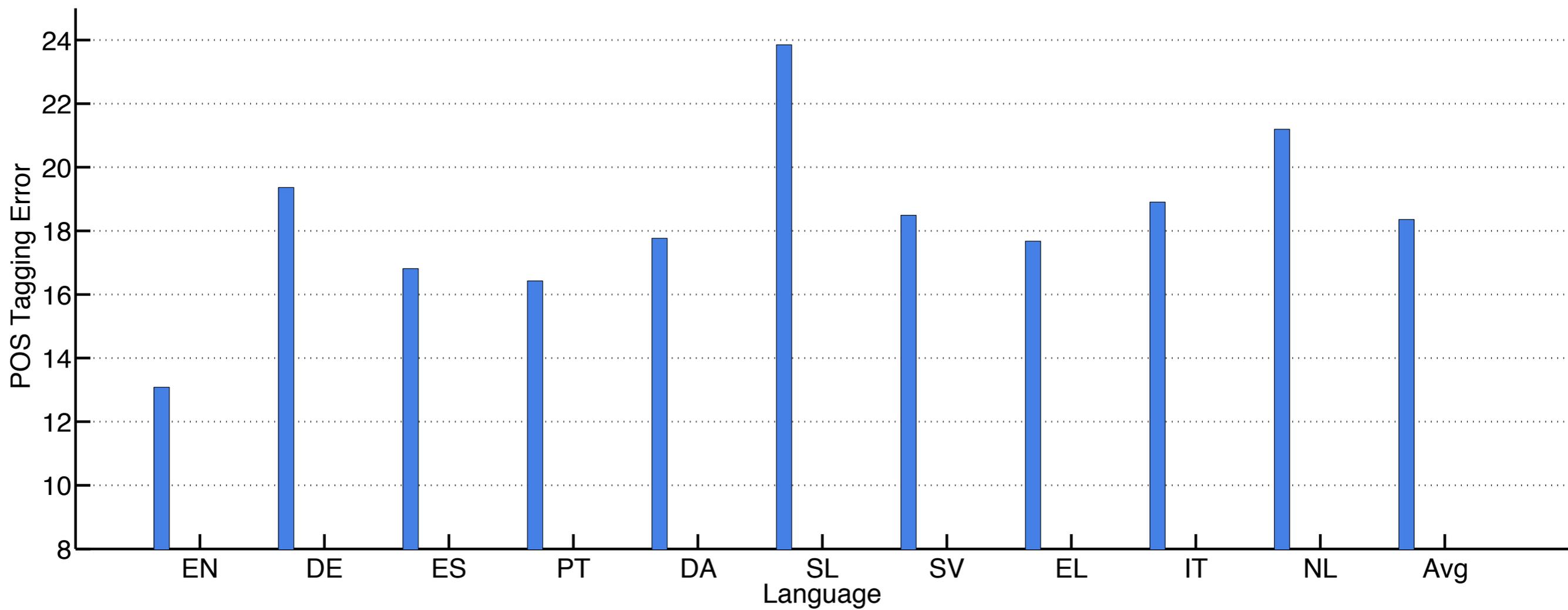
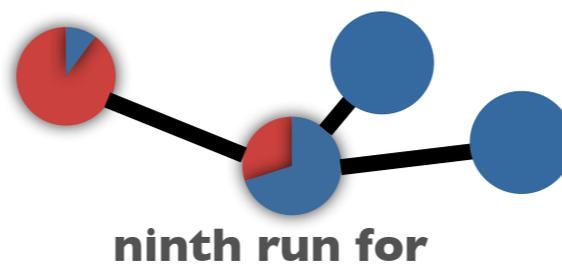


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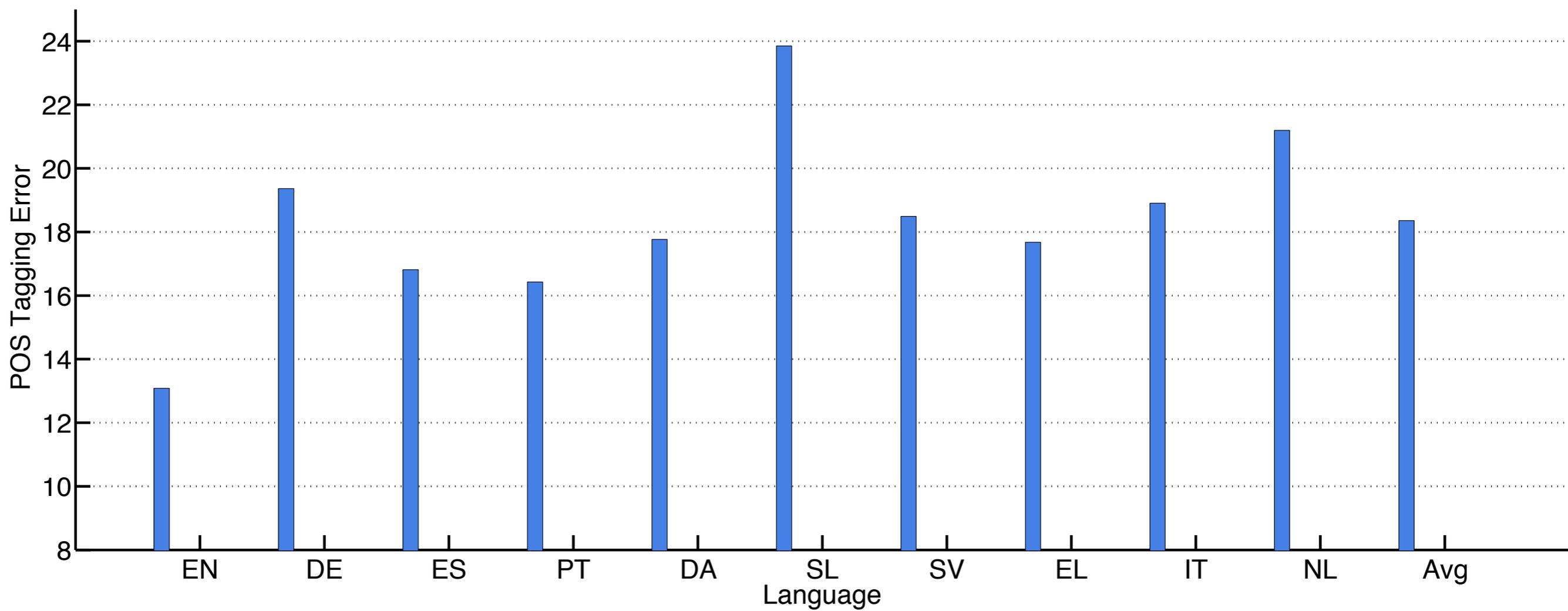
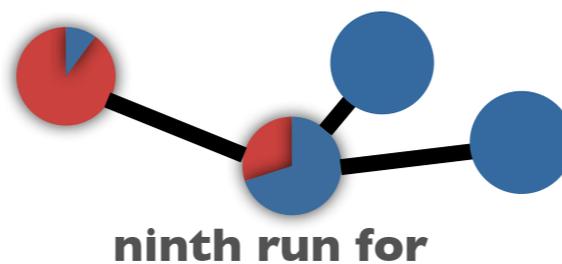
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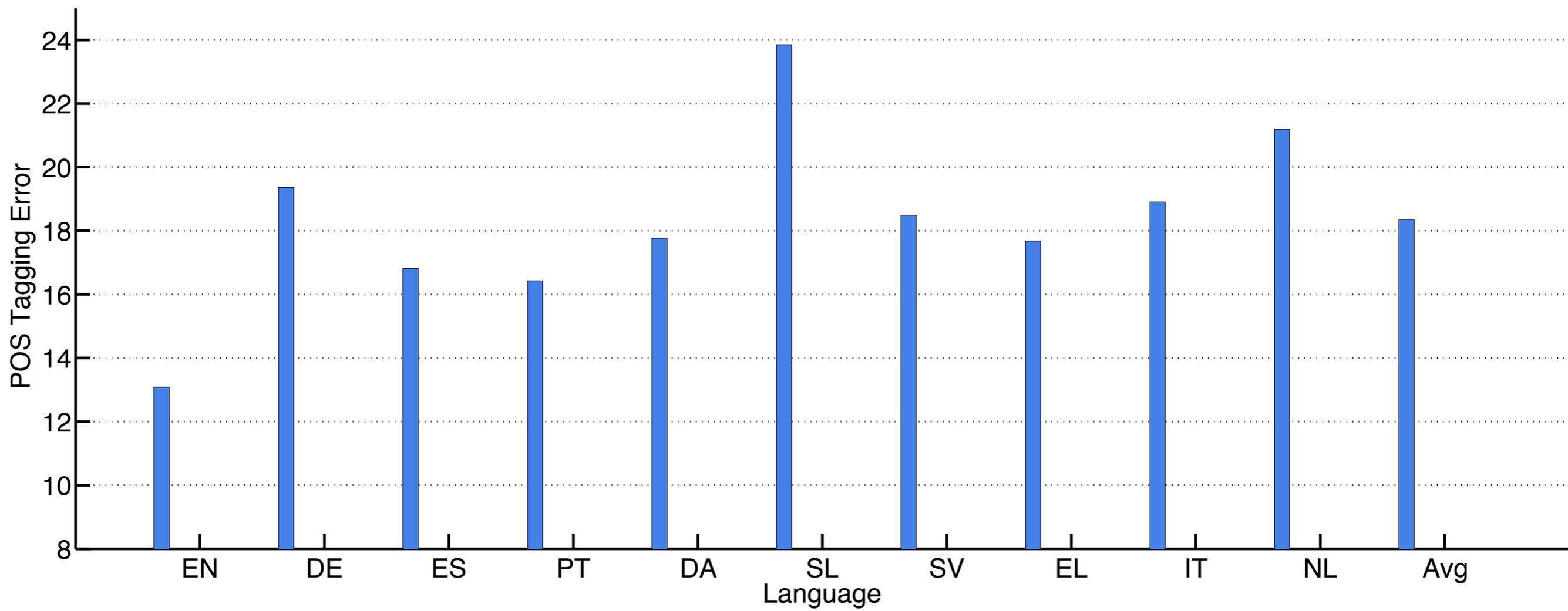
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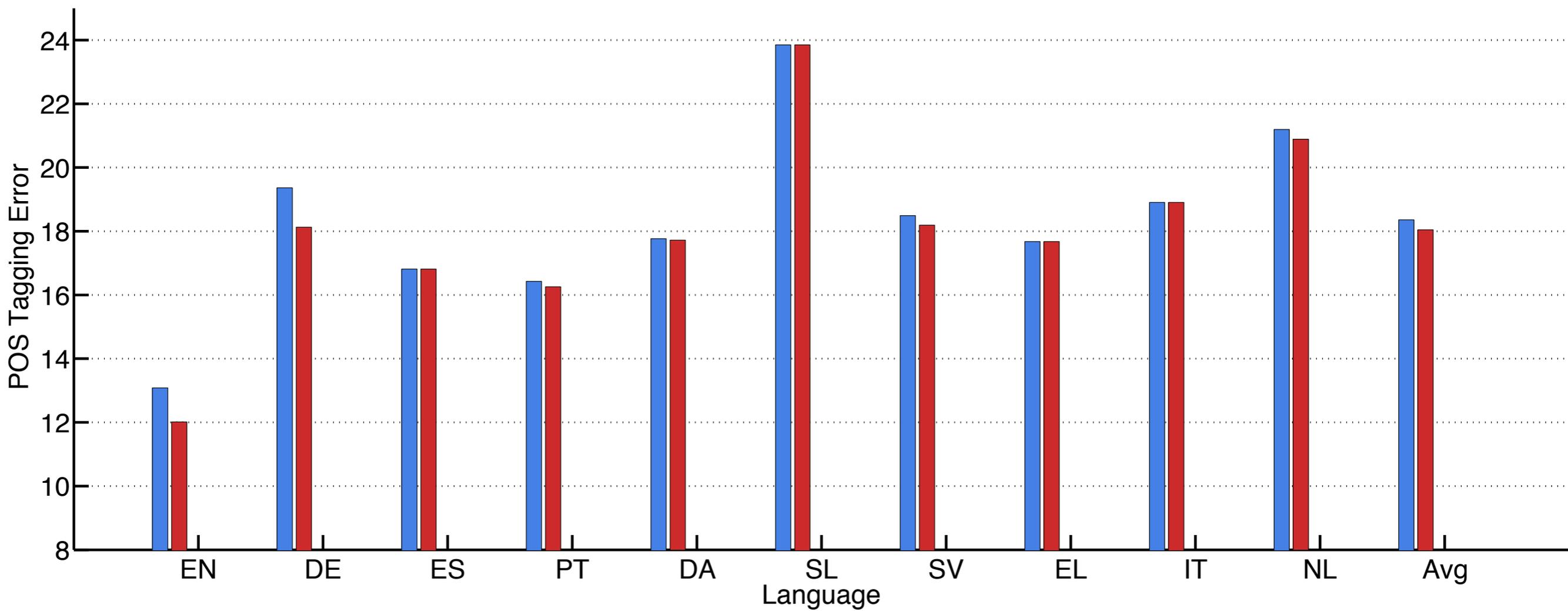
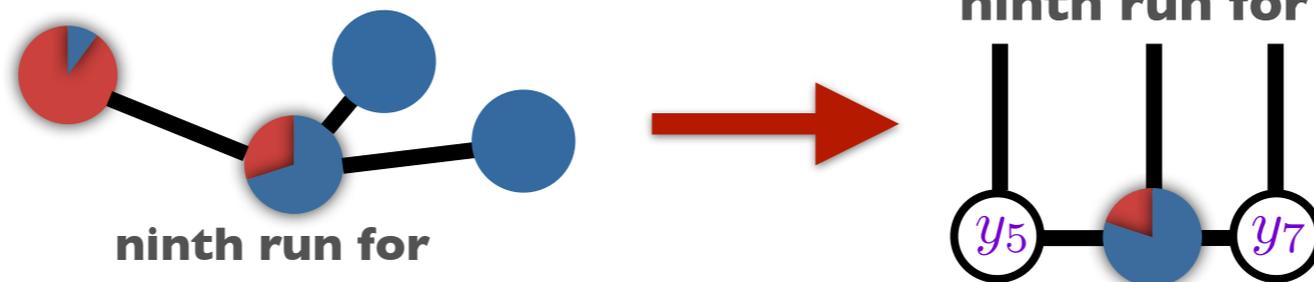
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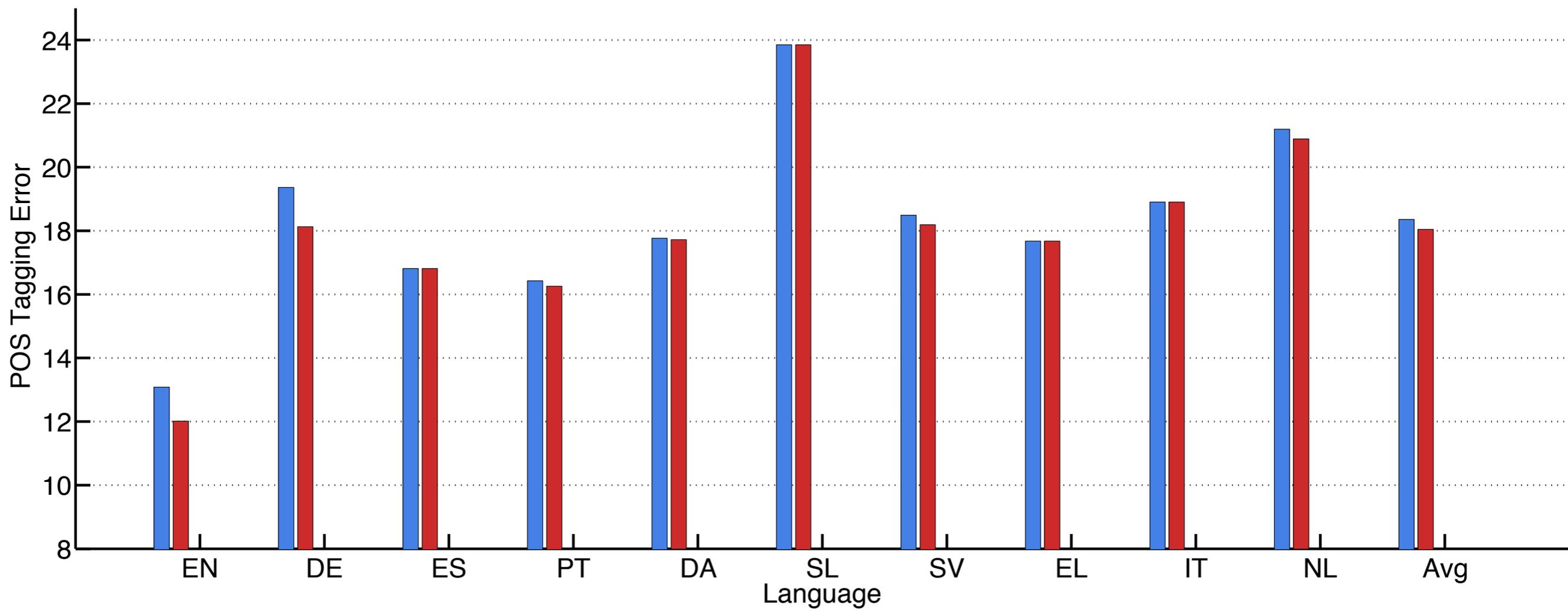
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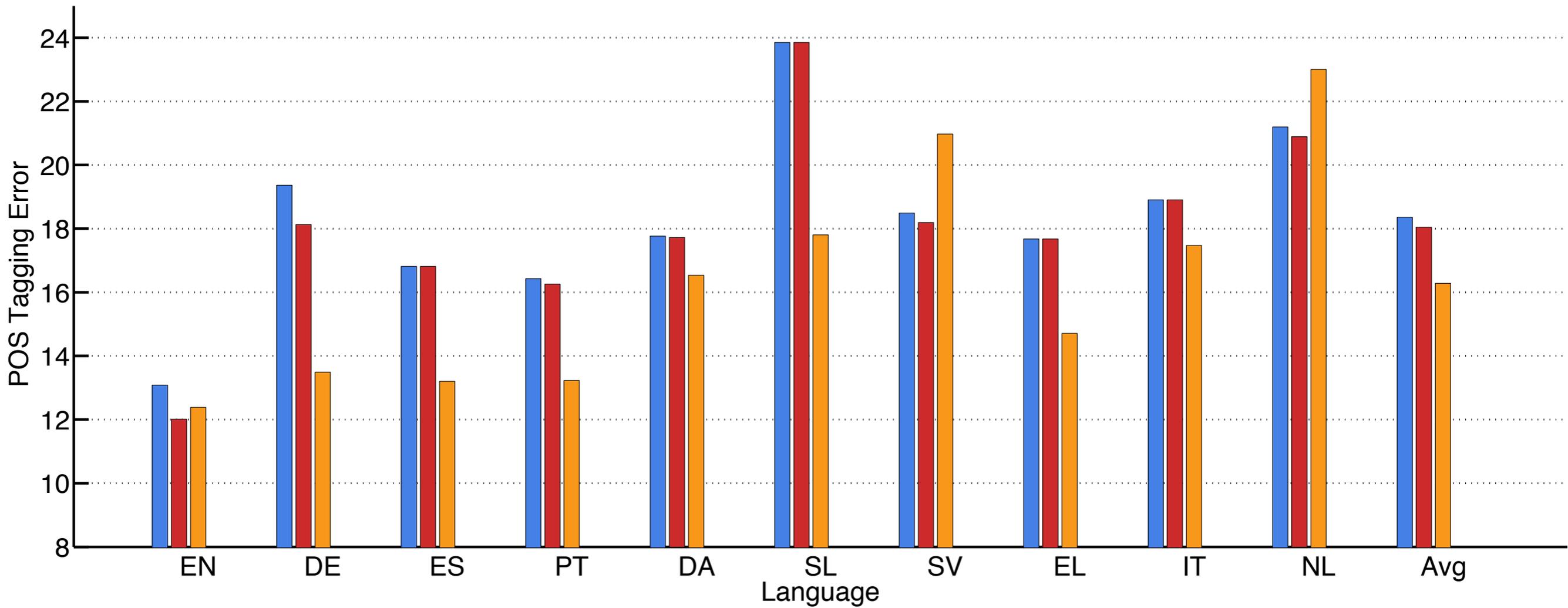
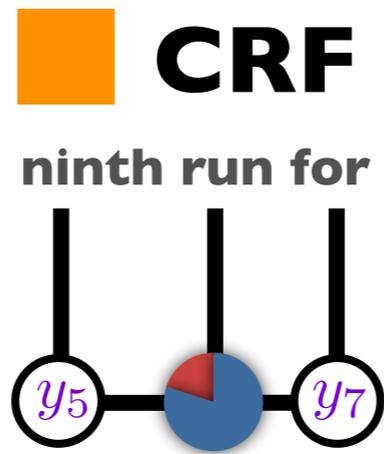
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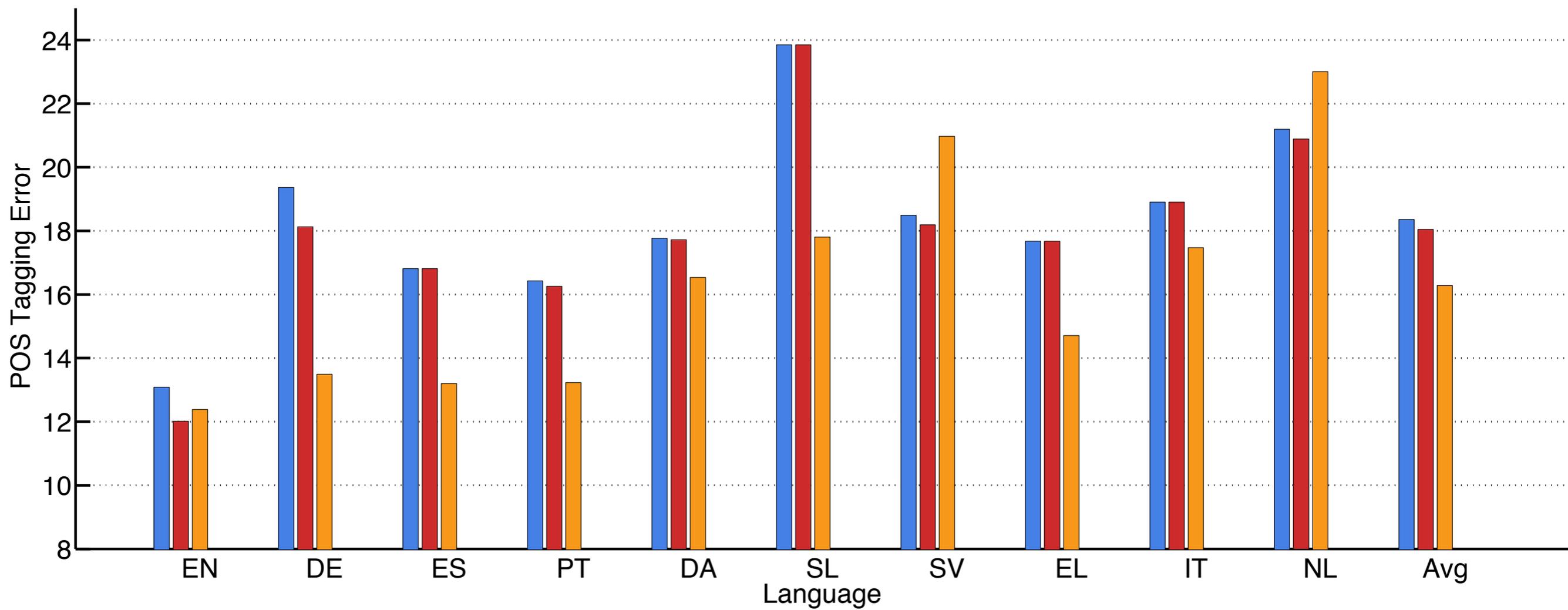


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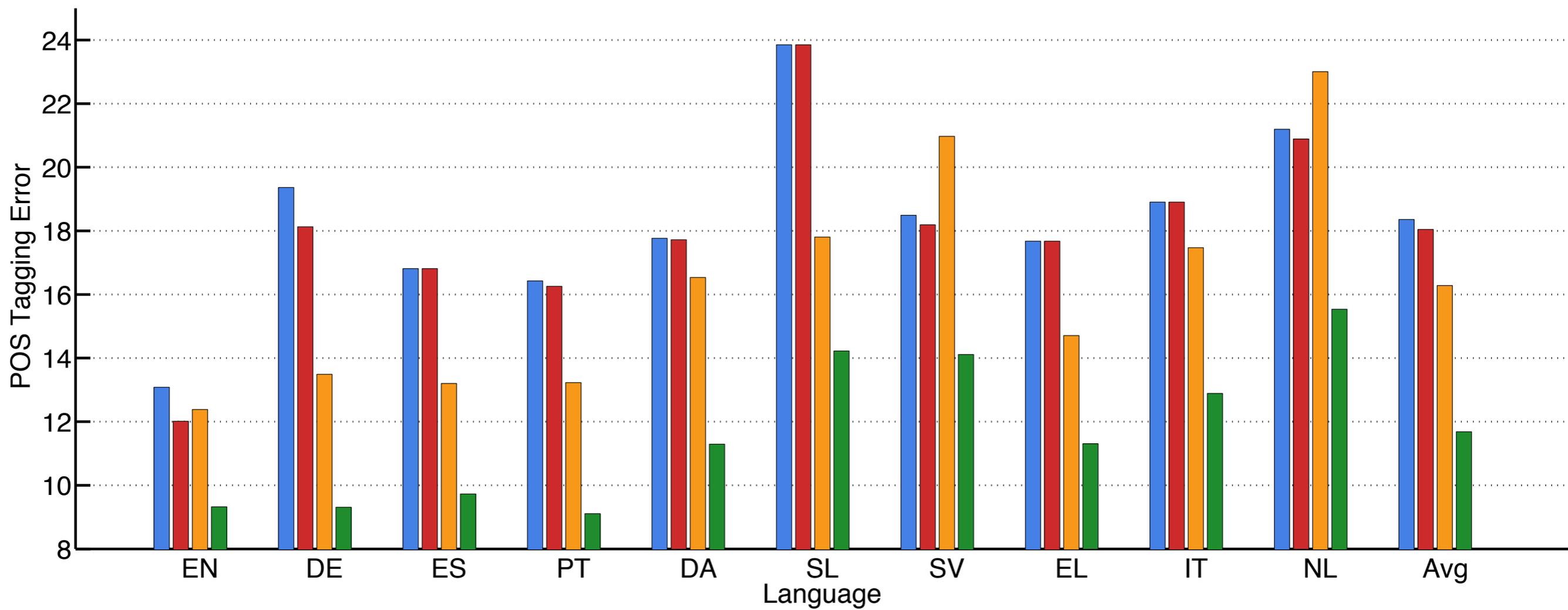
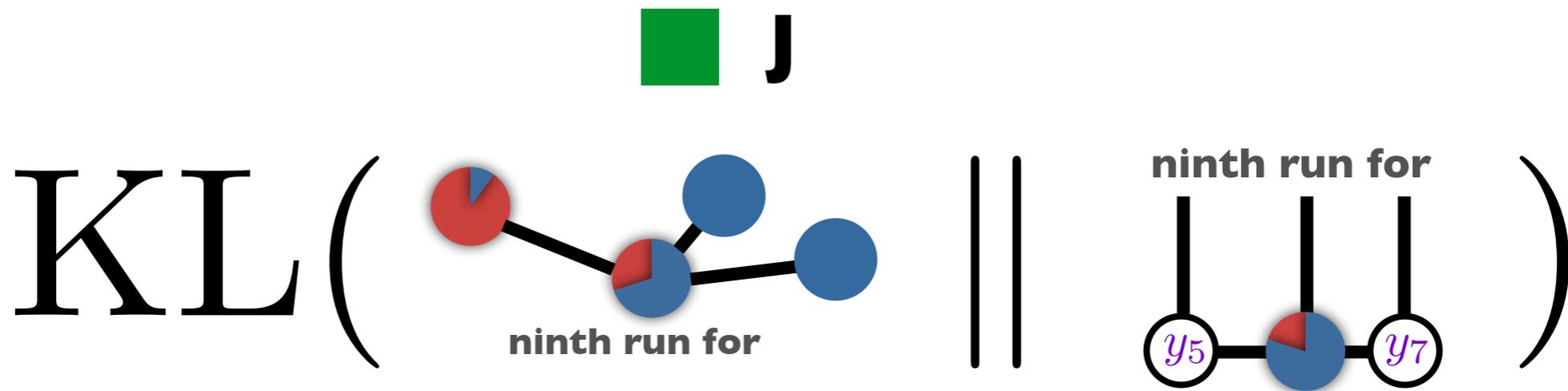
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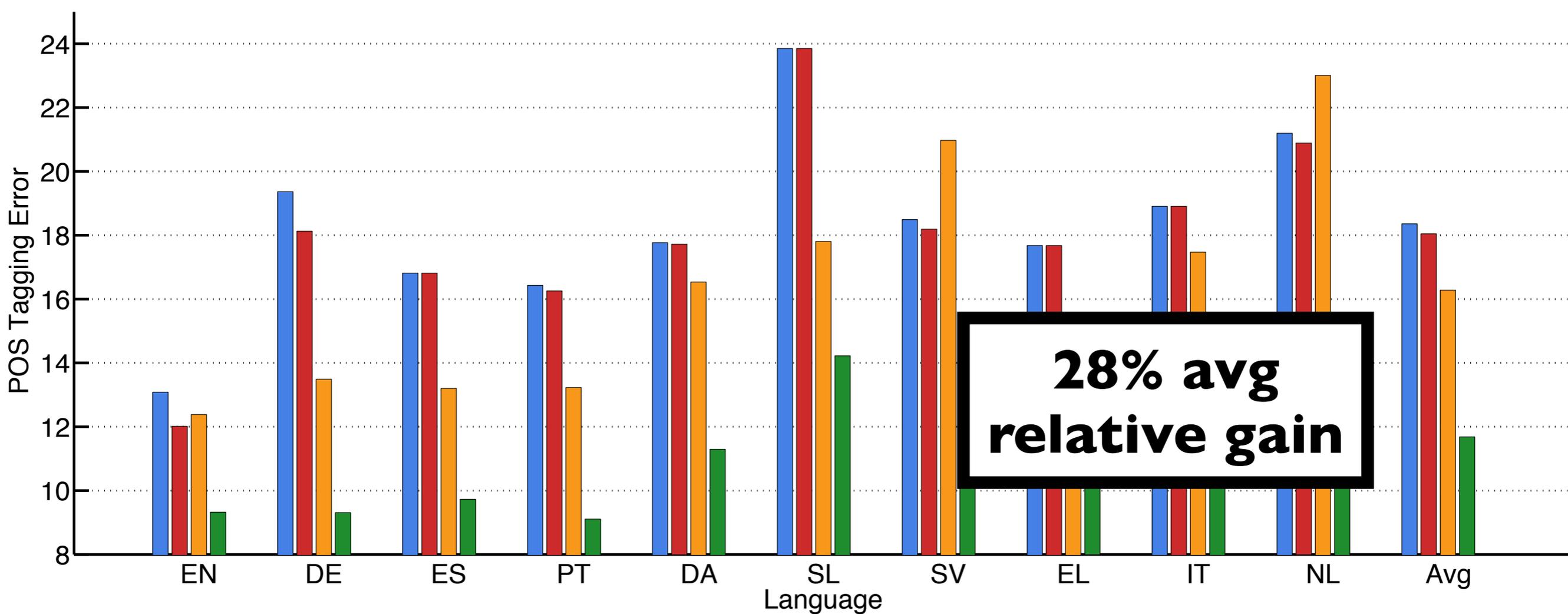
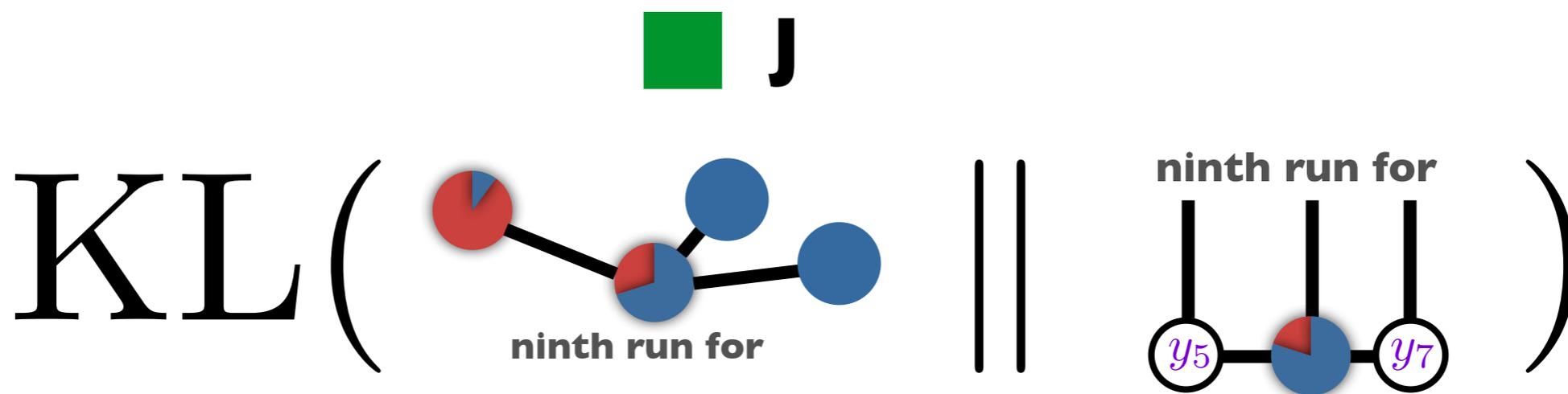


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