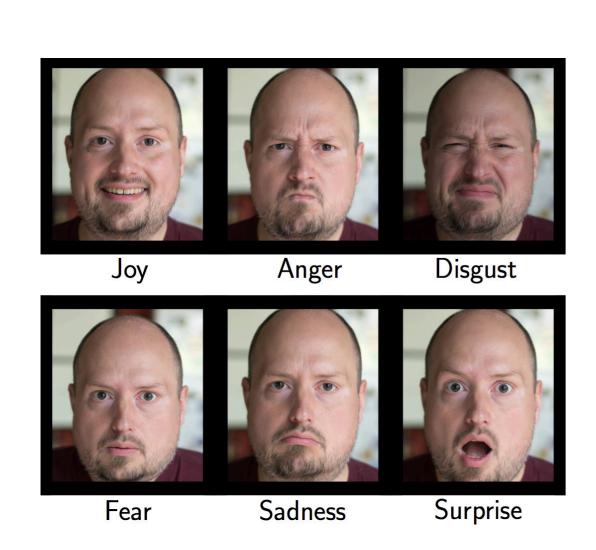


Event-centric Emotion Analysis: Bridging Emotion Role Labeling and Appraisal-based Approaches

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(1) What is an emotion? Caused by Events!

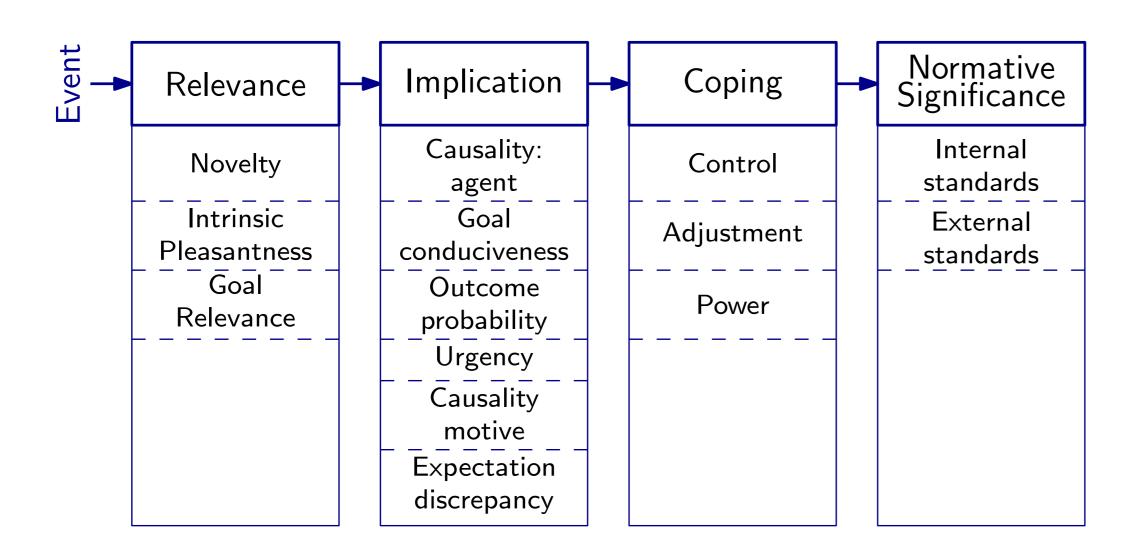
Paul Ekman:



- Distinctive signals
- Presence in other primates
- Distinctive physiology
- Distinctive universals in antecedent events
- Coherence among emotional response
- Quick onset
- Brief duration
- Automatic appraisal
- Unbidden occurrence

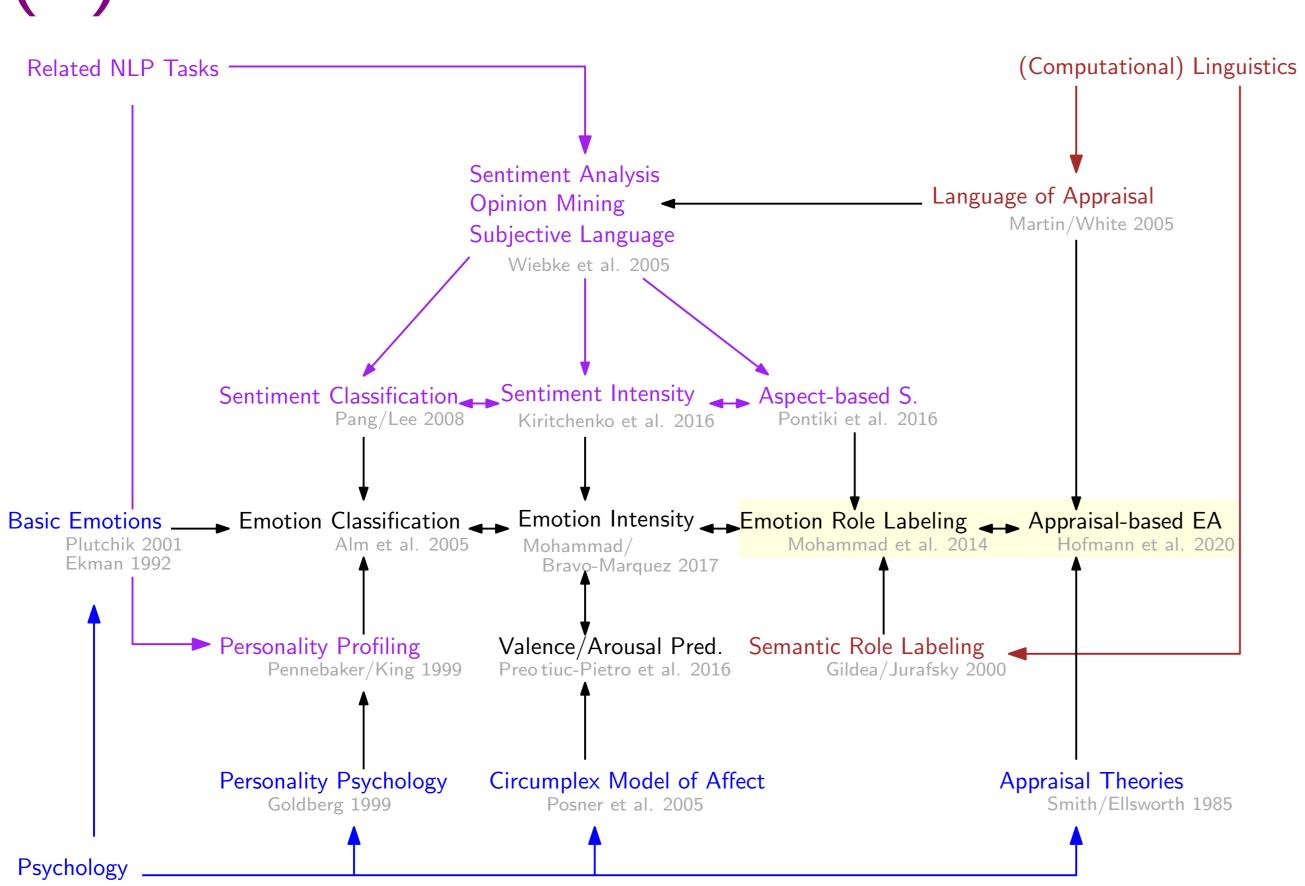
Klaus Scherer:

Emotions are "an episode of interrelated, synchronized changes ... in response to the evaluation of an external or internal stimulus event as relevant to major concerns of the organism"



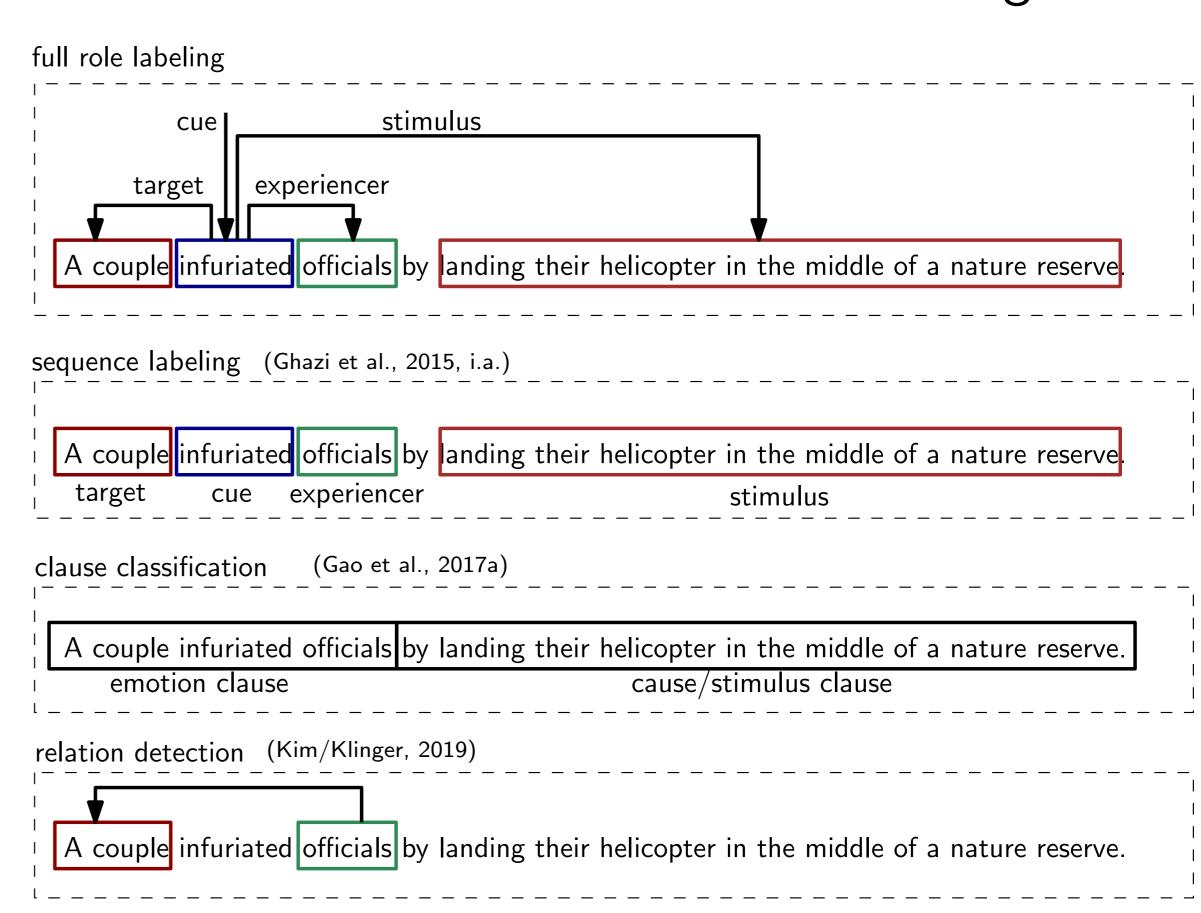
⇒ Text classification methods that interpret text based on appraisal theories exist.

(4) Related Tasks



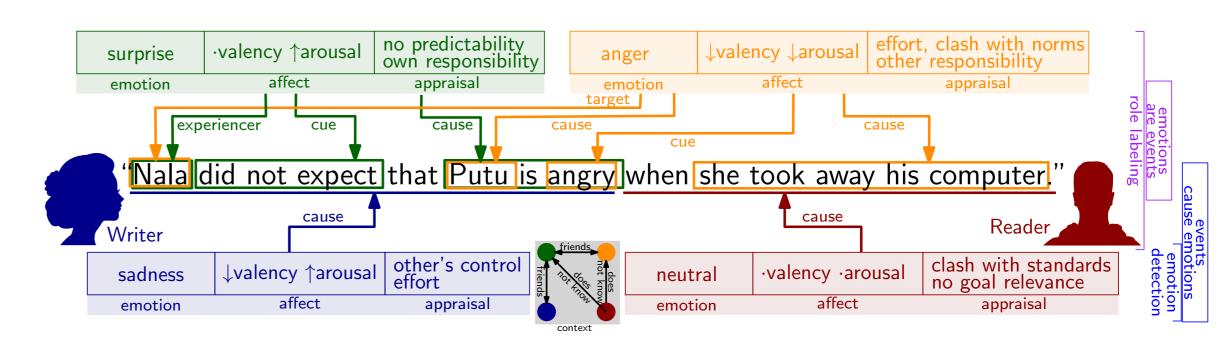
(2) What is an Emotion? An Event!

Emotions are events: emotion role labeling



→ Methods for full role labeling do not exist, but partial solutions do exist.

(3) Desideratum: an Integrated Approach



⇒ Nearly no work exists that integrated multiple psychological emotion models with role labeling.

(5) Open Research Questions

Bringing together appraisal theories and role labeling motivates open research questions/tasks:

- 1. Full emotion role labeling
- 2. Integration of appraisal theories in role labeling
- 3. Interpretation of event chains

Goals motivated by transferring work in related tasks:

- 4. Integration of other emotion theories in role labeling
- 5. Robust cross-corpus modeling and zero-shot predictions
- 6. Perspectivism (integration of personal traits)
- 7. Transfer of other psychological theories to NLP
- 8. Multimodal modeling with event interpretation



