Parsing to Stanford Dependencies: Trade-offs between speed and accuracy

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Overview

About the Representation

- Widely used
- Semantically-oriented
- **Slow to extract**

Extraction Bottleneck

- Stanford lexicalized phrase structure parser

Are There Faster and Better Approaches?

- Dependency parsing algorithms
- Alternate phrase structure parsers

Organization

Brief Review of Stanford Dependencies

- Properties
- Extraction pipeline

Experiments Comparing Parsing Approaches

Dependency	Phrase structure
MaltParser	Berkeley
MSTParser	Bikel
	Charniak

Search Space Pruning with Charniak-Johnson

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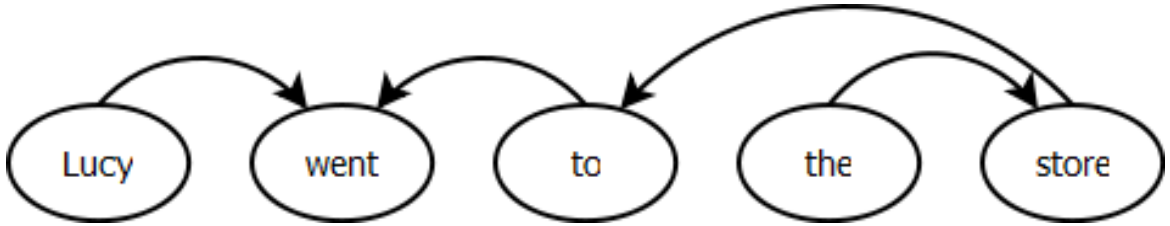
However, we suspect the results maybe more general

Stanford Dependencies
Semantically Oriented

Capture relationships between **content words**

Syntactic Dependencies



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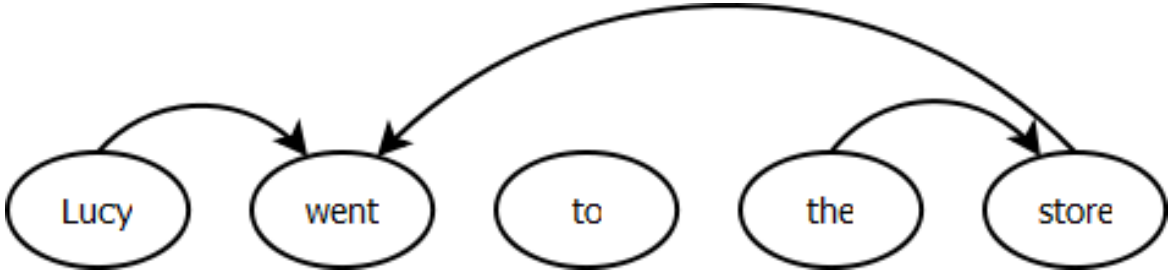

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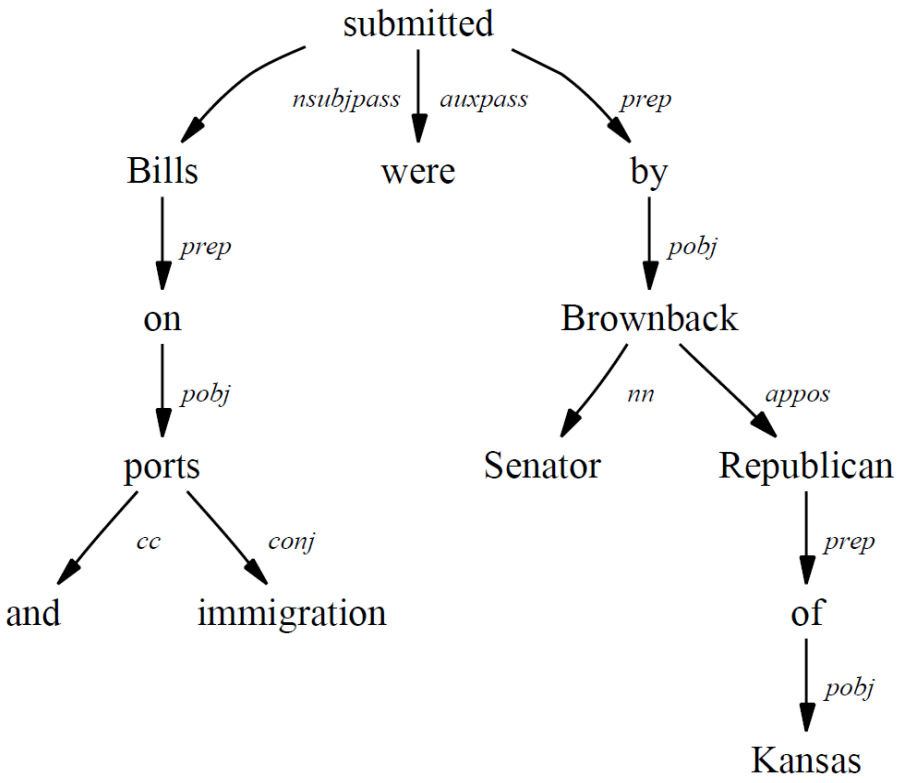

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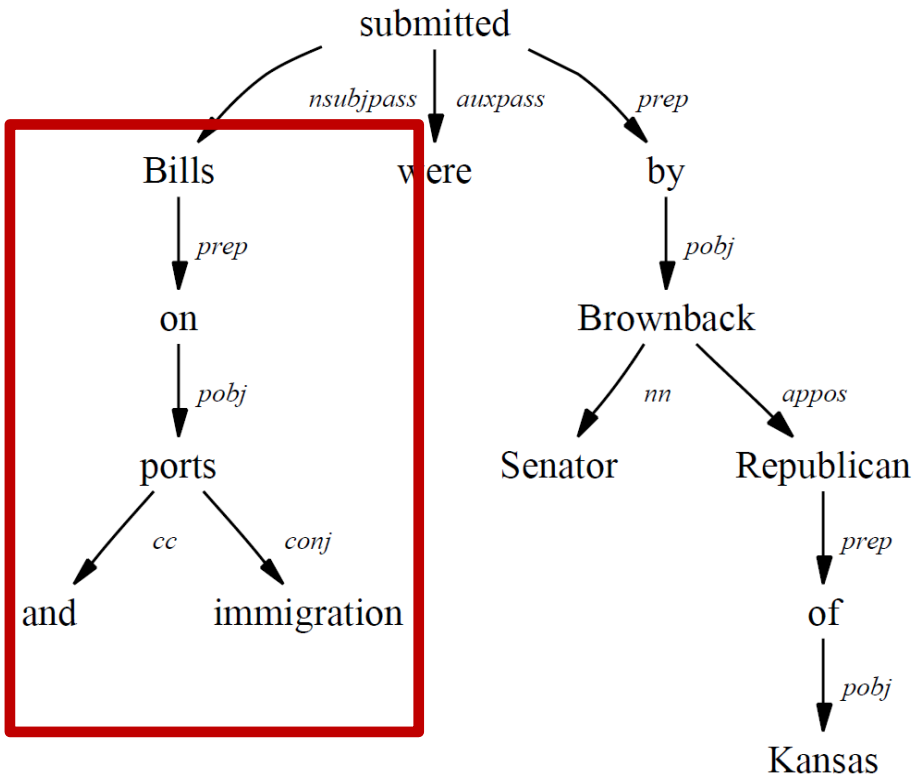

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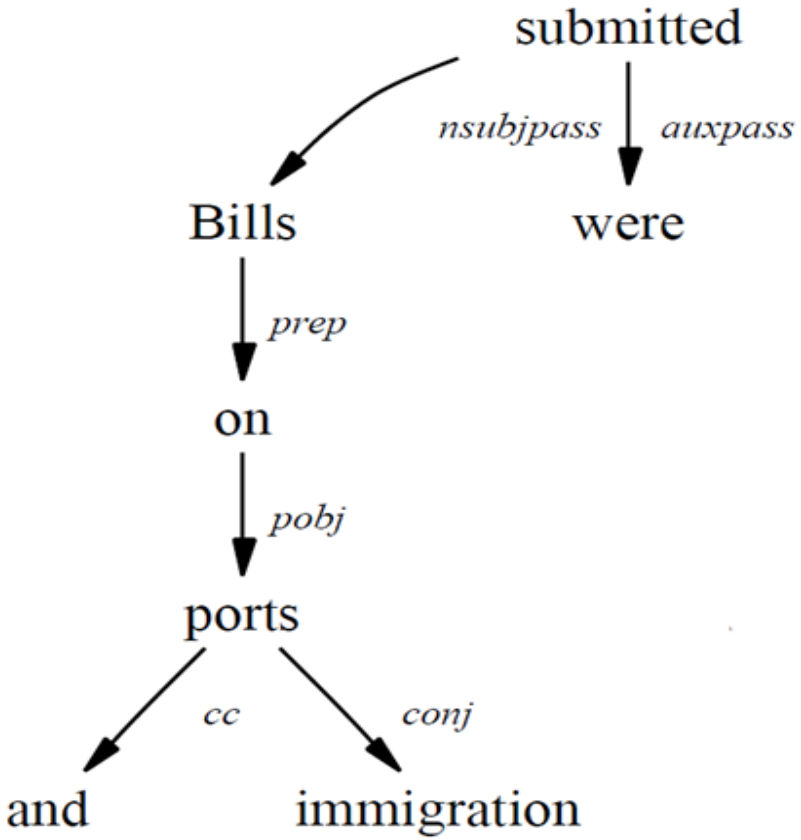

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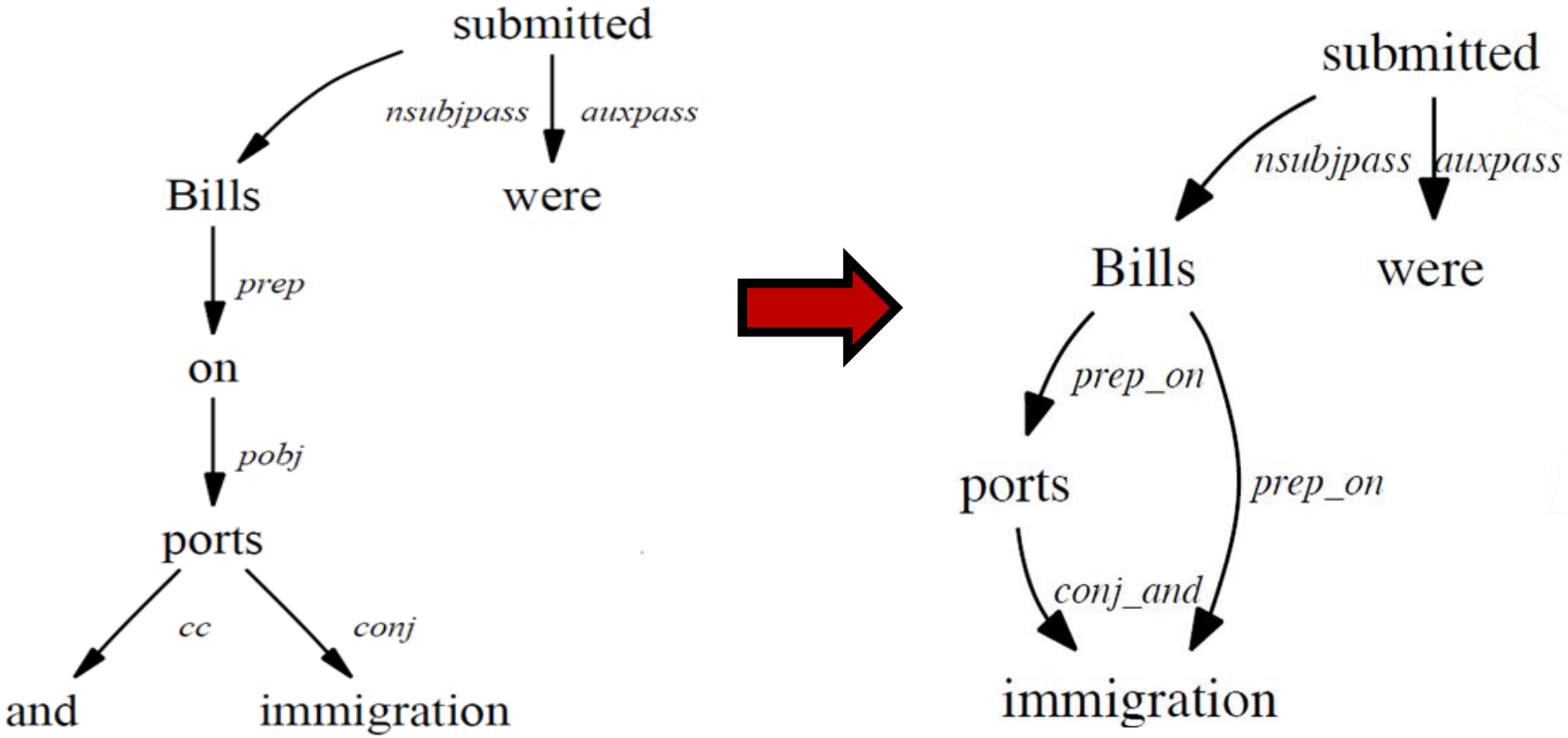

Obtaining the Dependencies

Standard Pipeline

Phrase Structure Parser

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Experimental

RESULTS BY PIPELINE TYPE

Results by Pipeline Type

Method

Train Penn Treebank Sections 2 through 21

Test Penn Treebank Section 22

Dependency parsers

	Malt Parser	**MSTParser**
Algorithm	Nivre Eager, Nivre, Covington	Eisner
Classifier	LibLinear, LibSVM	Factored MIRA

RelEx CMU Link grammar parser in Stanford compatibility mode

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Phrase Structure Parsers

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- Bikel
- Berkeley
- Stanford

Results by Pipeline Type

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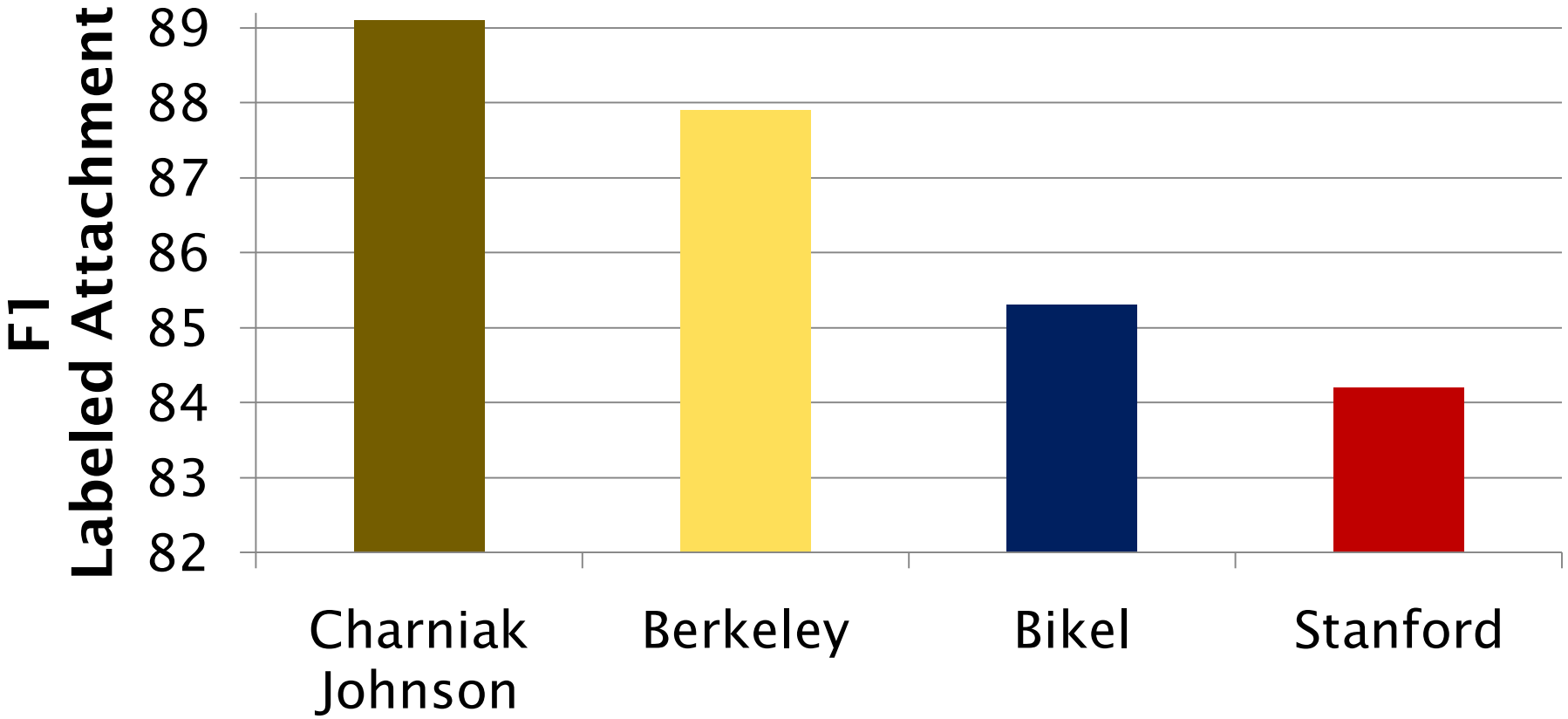

Best: Charniak Johnson Reranking Parser

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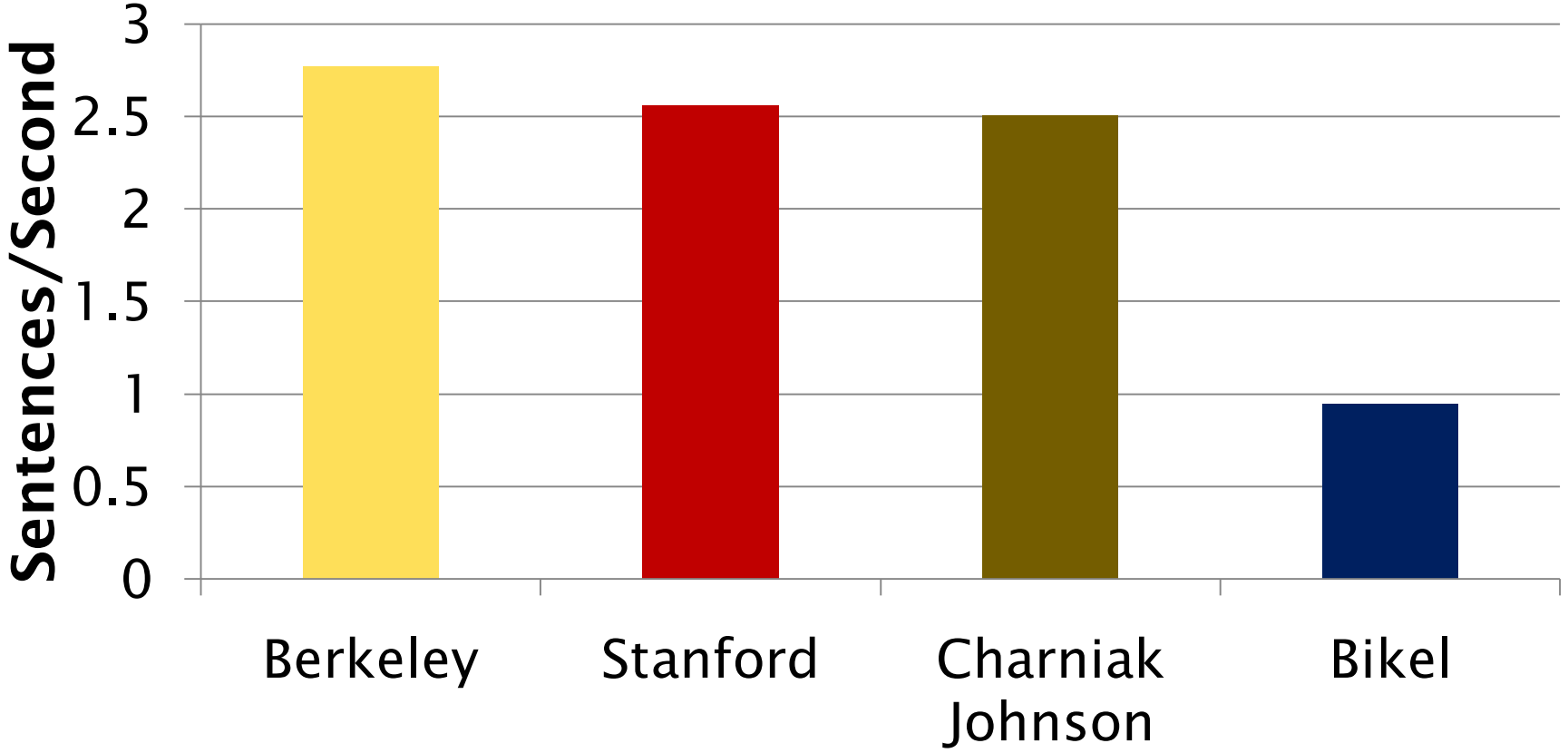

Parse times similar except for Bikel

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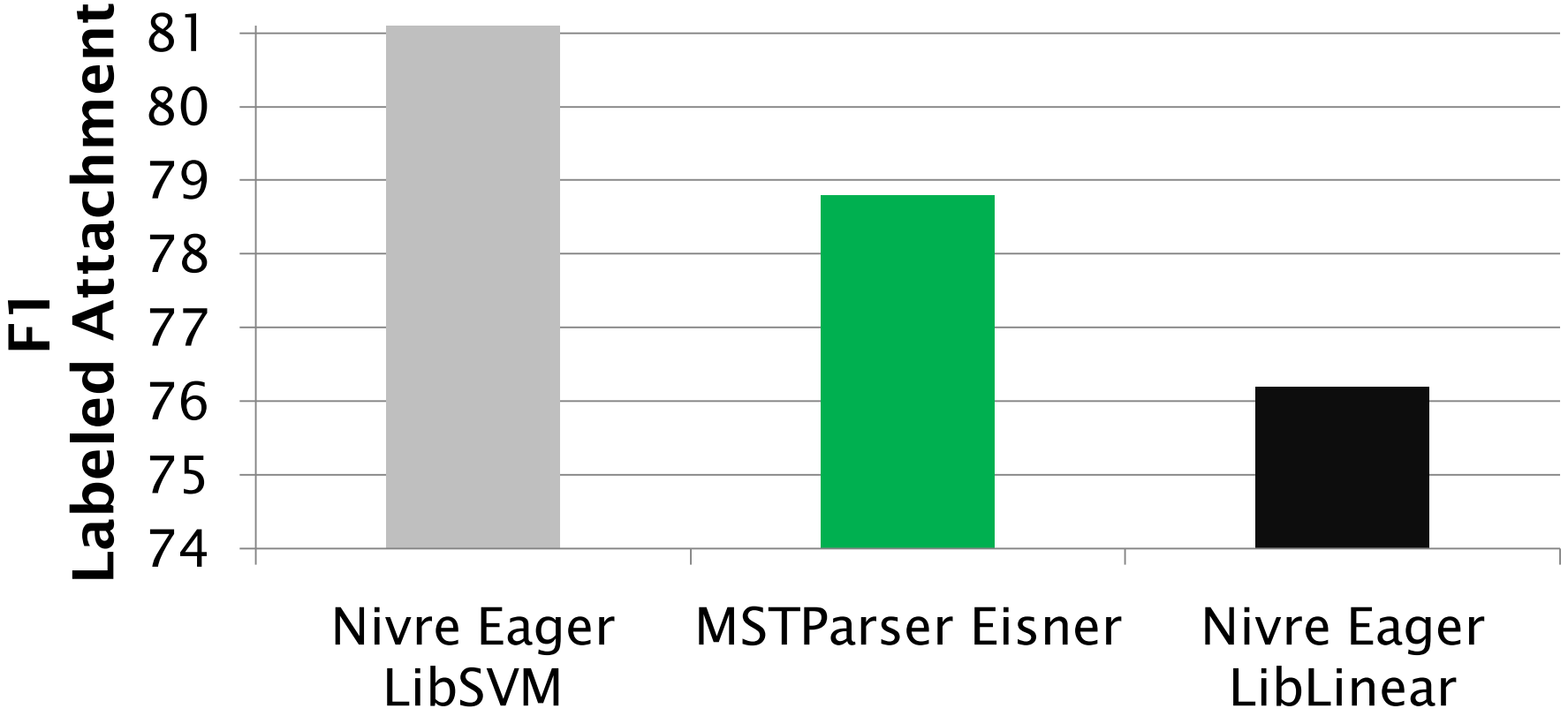

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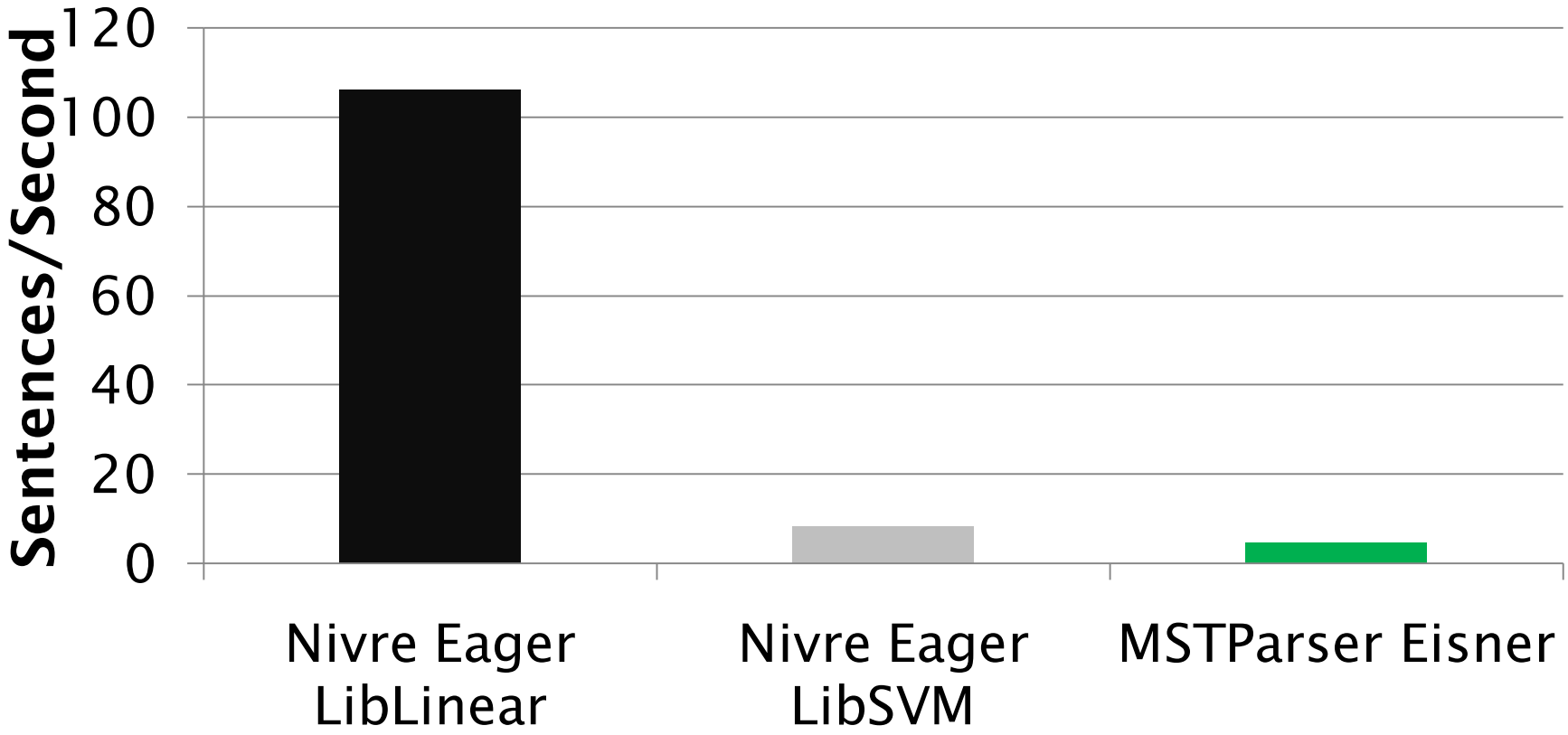

Fastest: Nivre Eager LibLinear

Comparison of

SPEED AND ACCURACY TRADE-OFFS

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Worst Phrase Structure Parser

vs.

Best Dependency Parser

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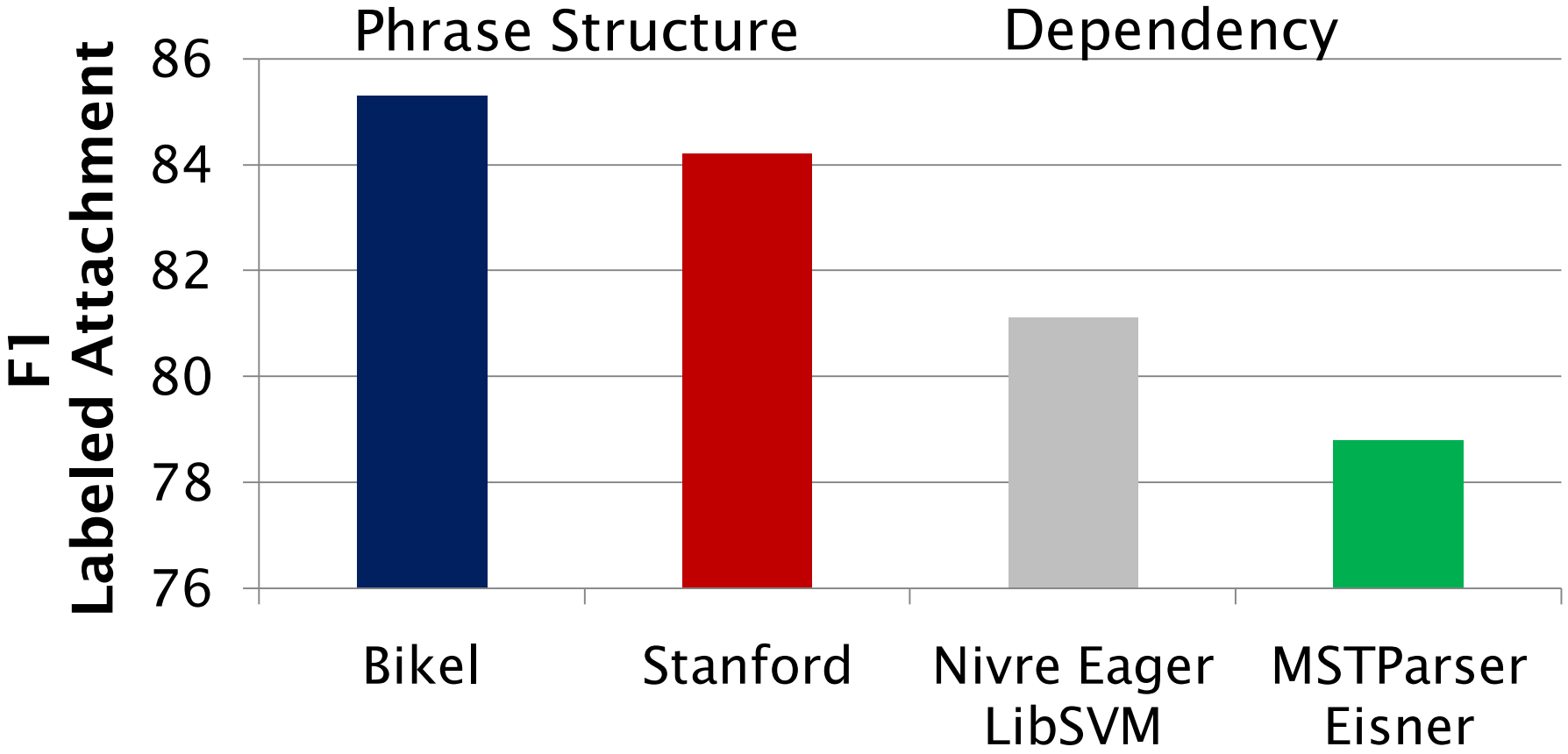

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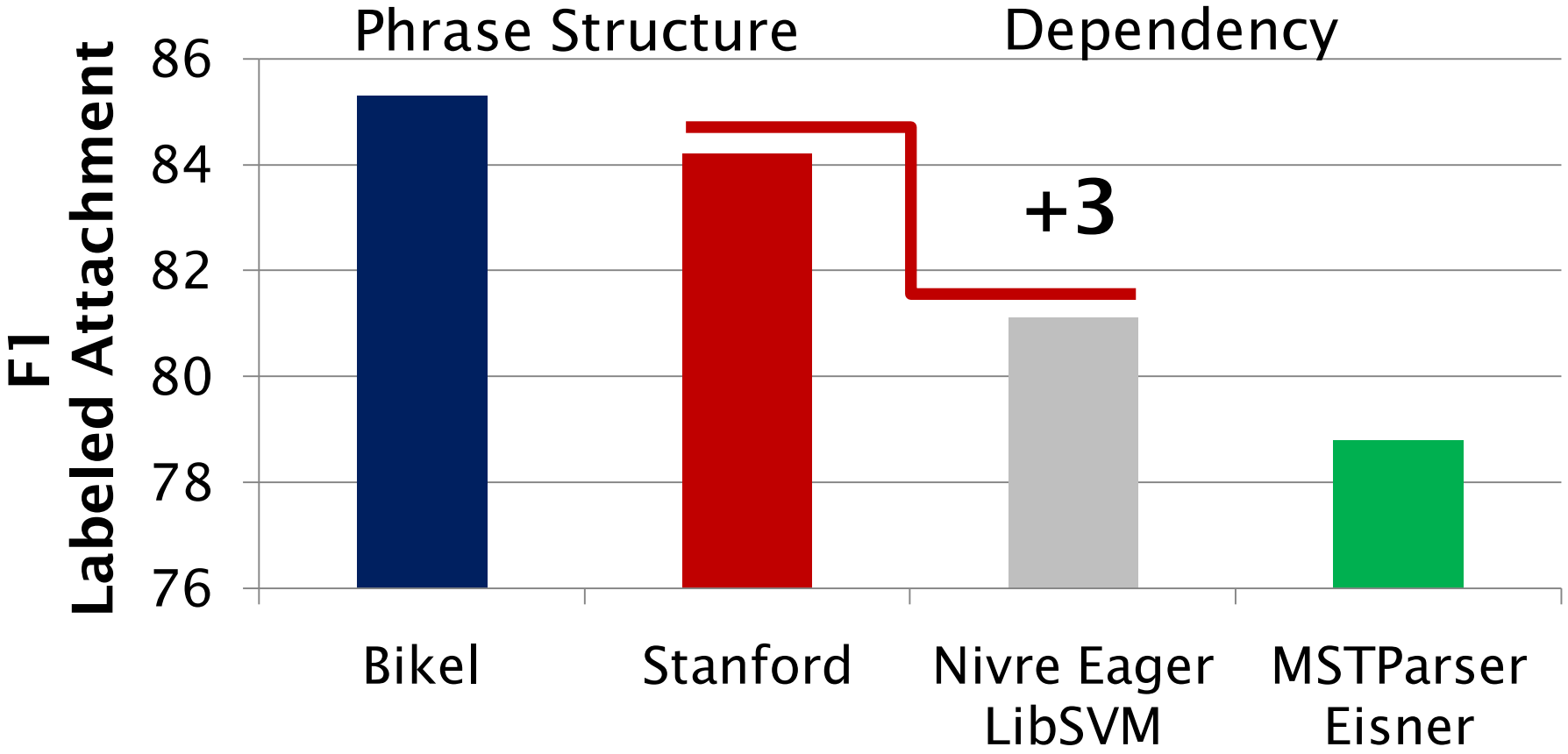

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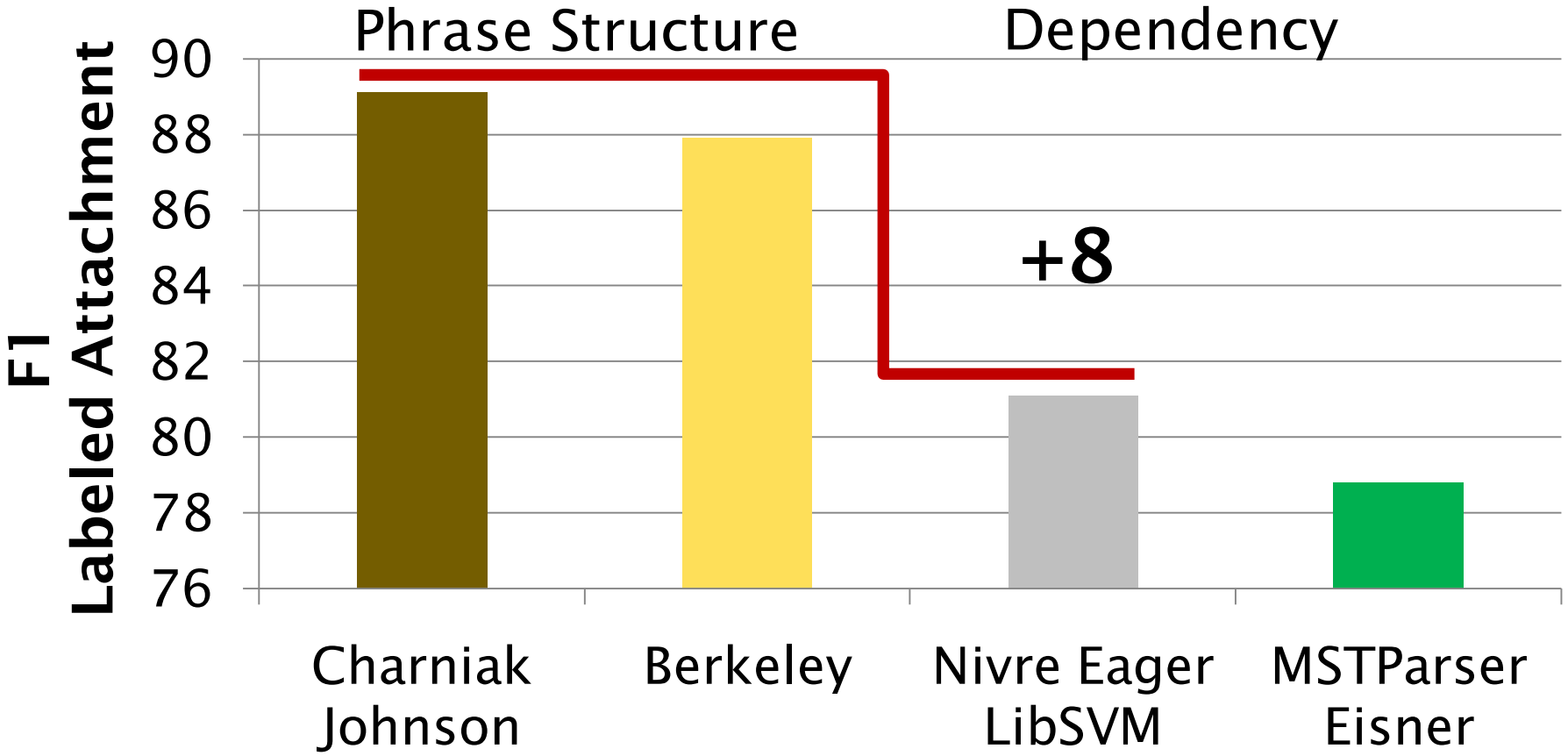

Eight point difference between
Best phrase structure and Best dependency parser

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Worst Dependency Parser

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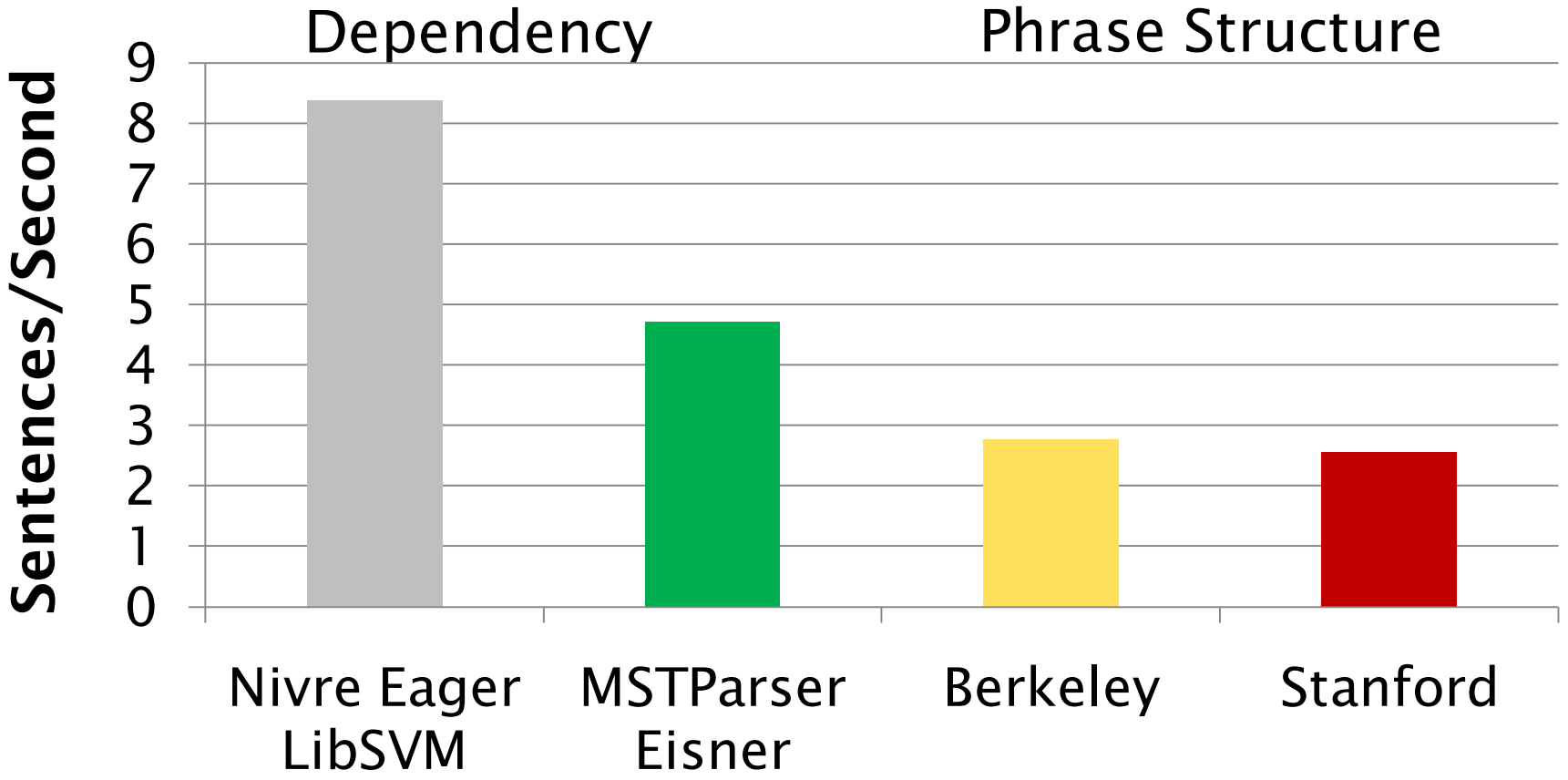

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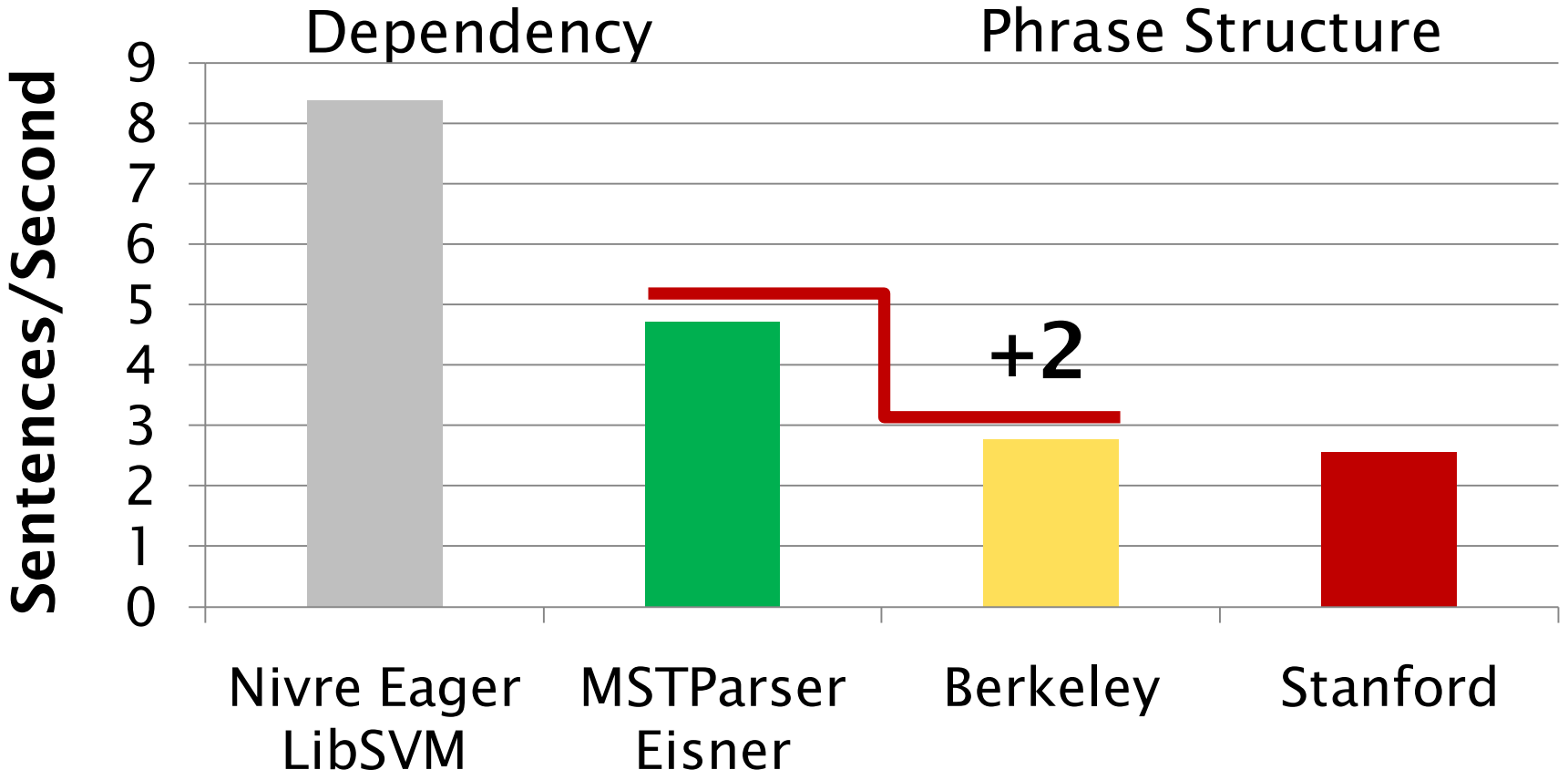

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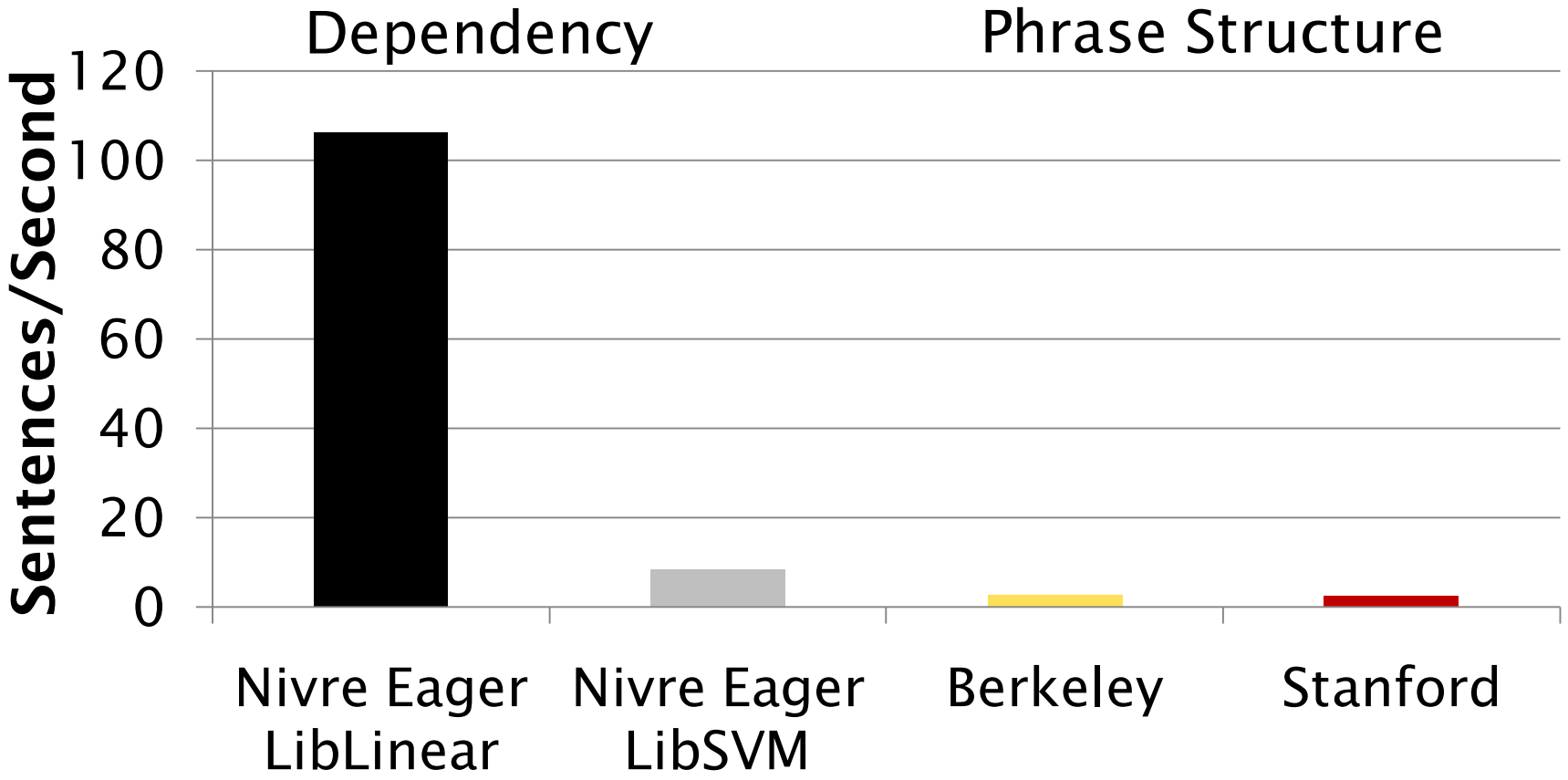

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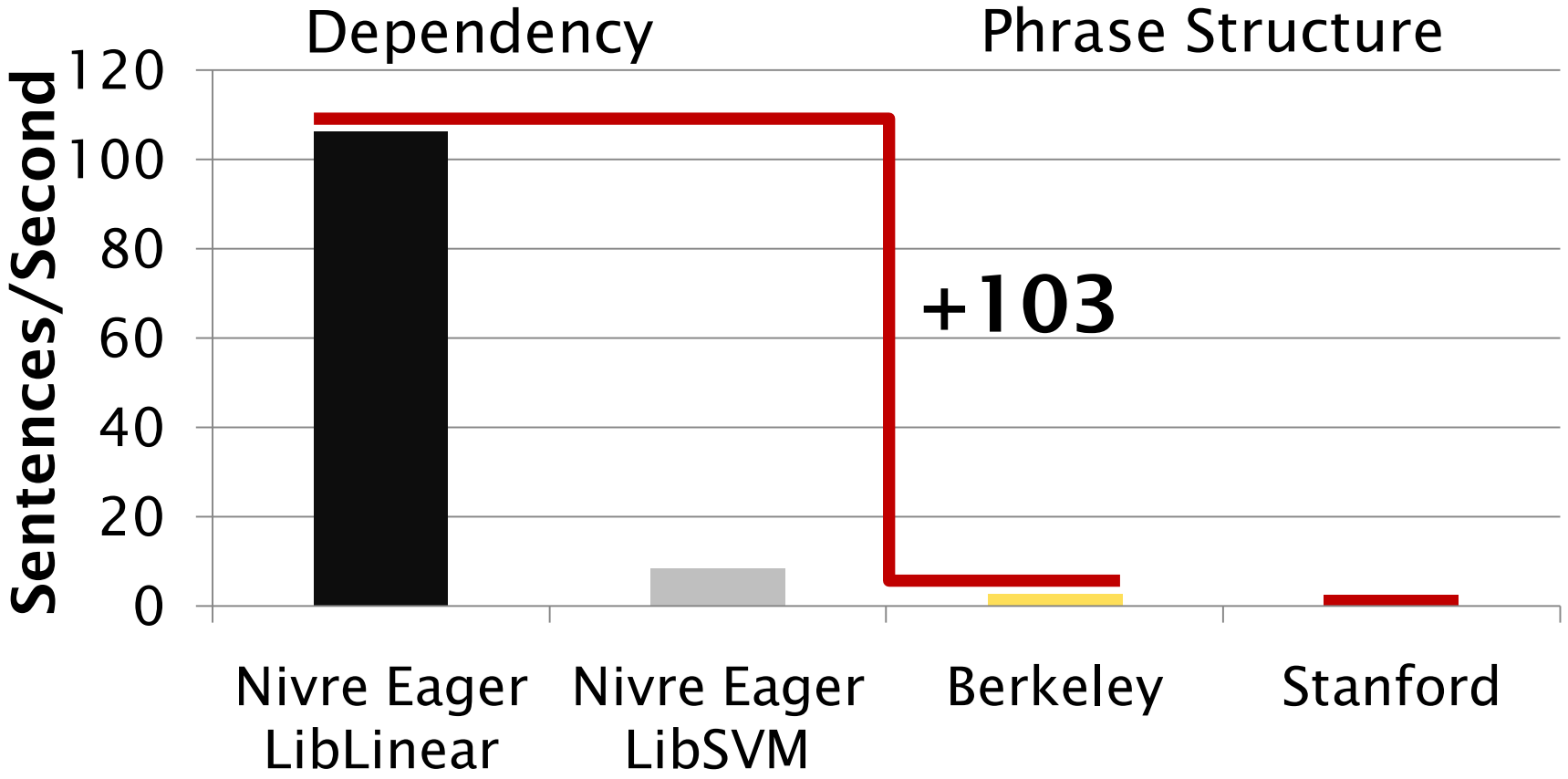

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Out-of-the-Box Summary

Accuracy

Use Phrase Structure Parsers

Best choice: Charniak Johnson Reranking

Speed

Use Dependency Parsers

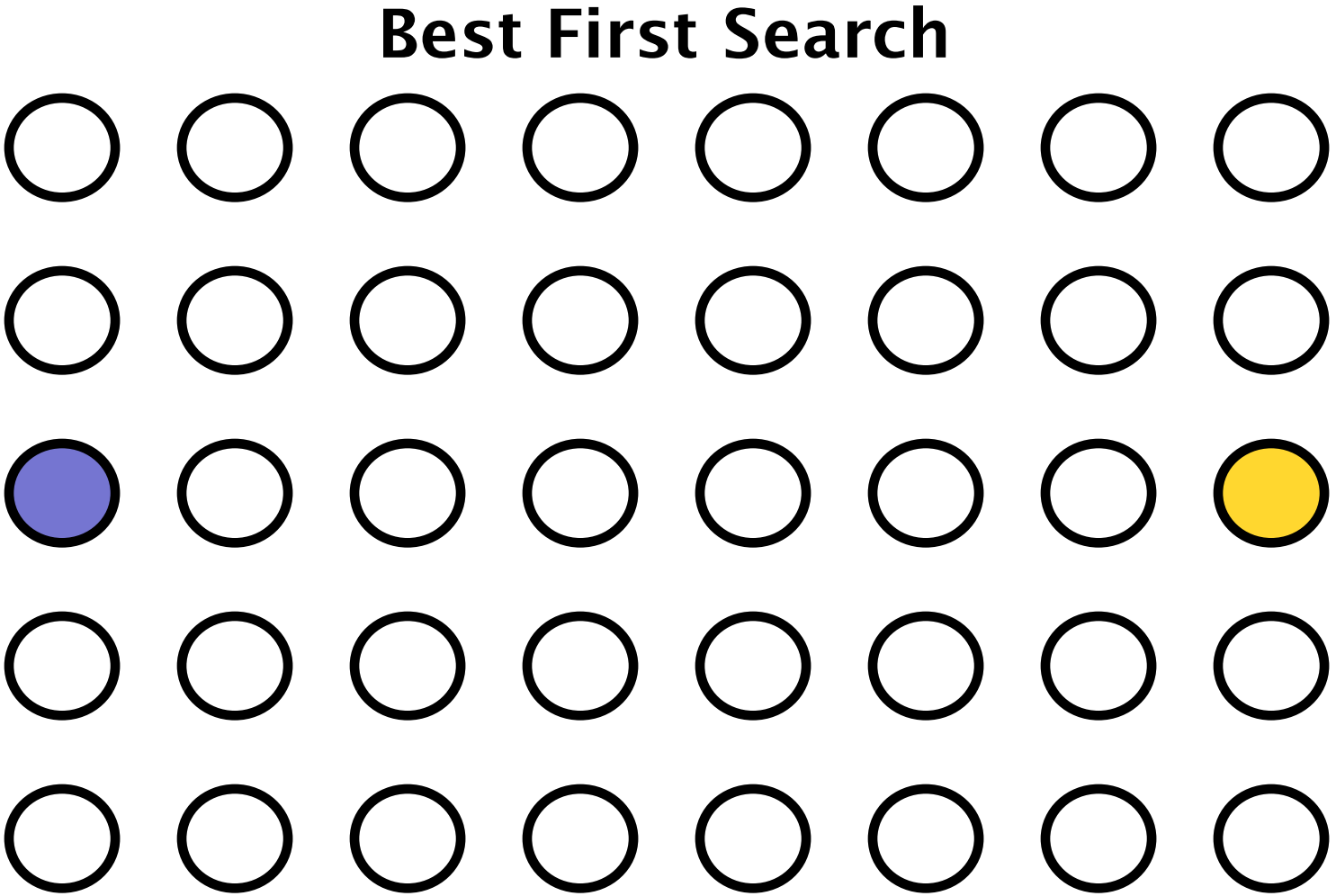
Best Choice: Nivre Eager* with LibLinear

* Actually, any parser in the MaltParser package will do.

Making Use Of

CHARNIAK JOHNSON SEARCH SPACE PRUNING

Example Search



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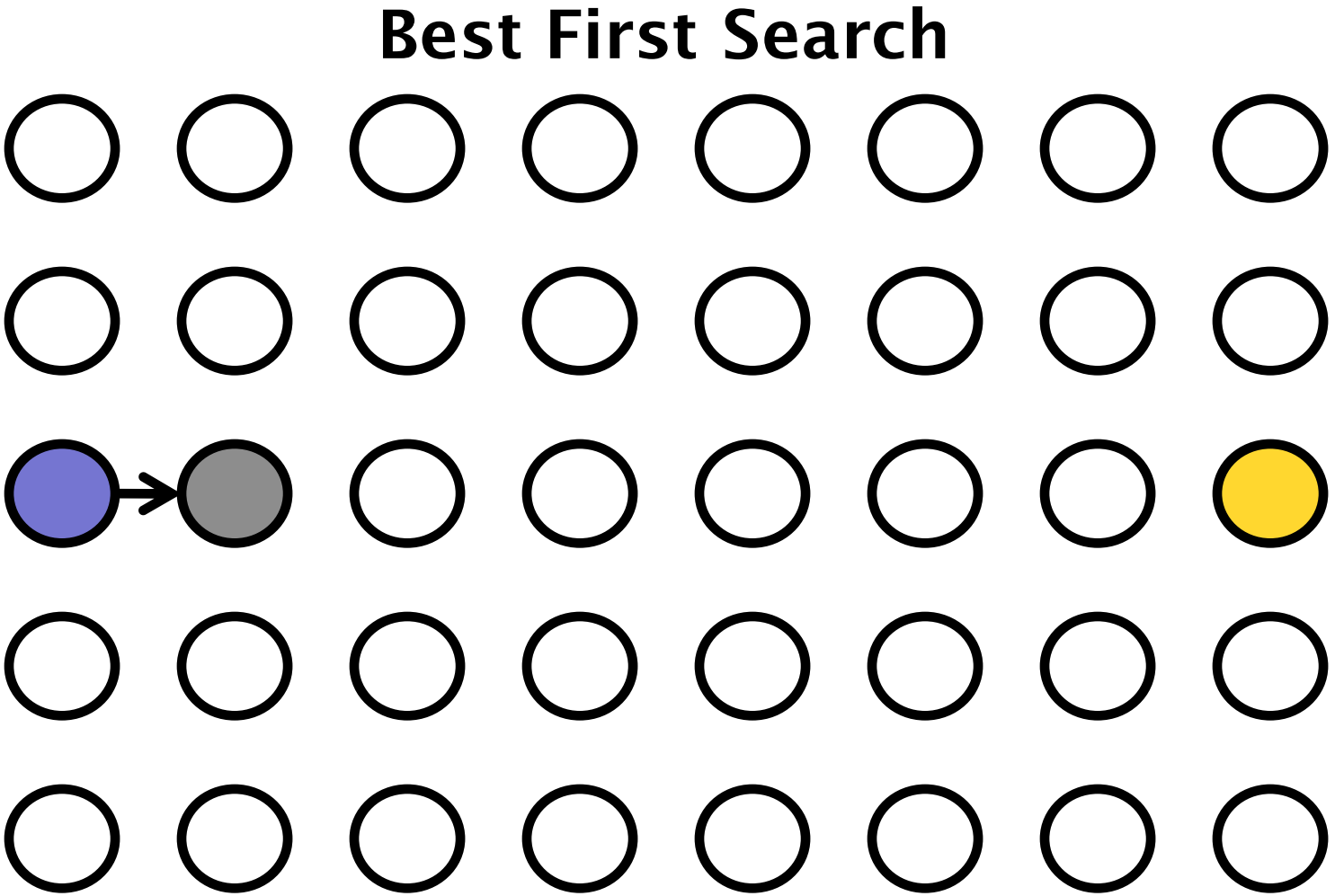

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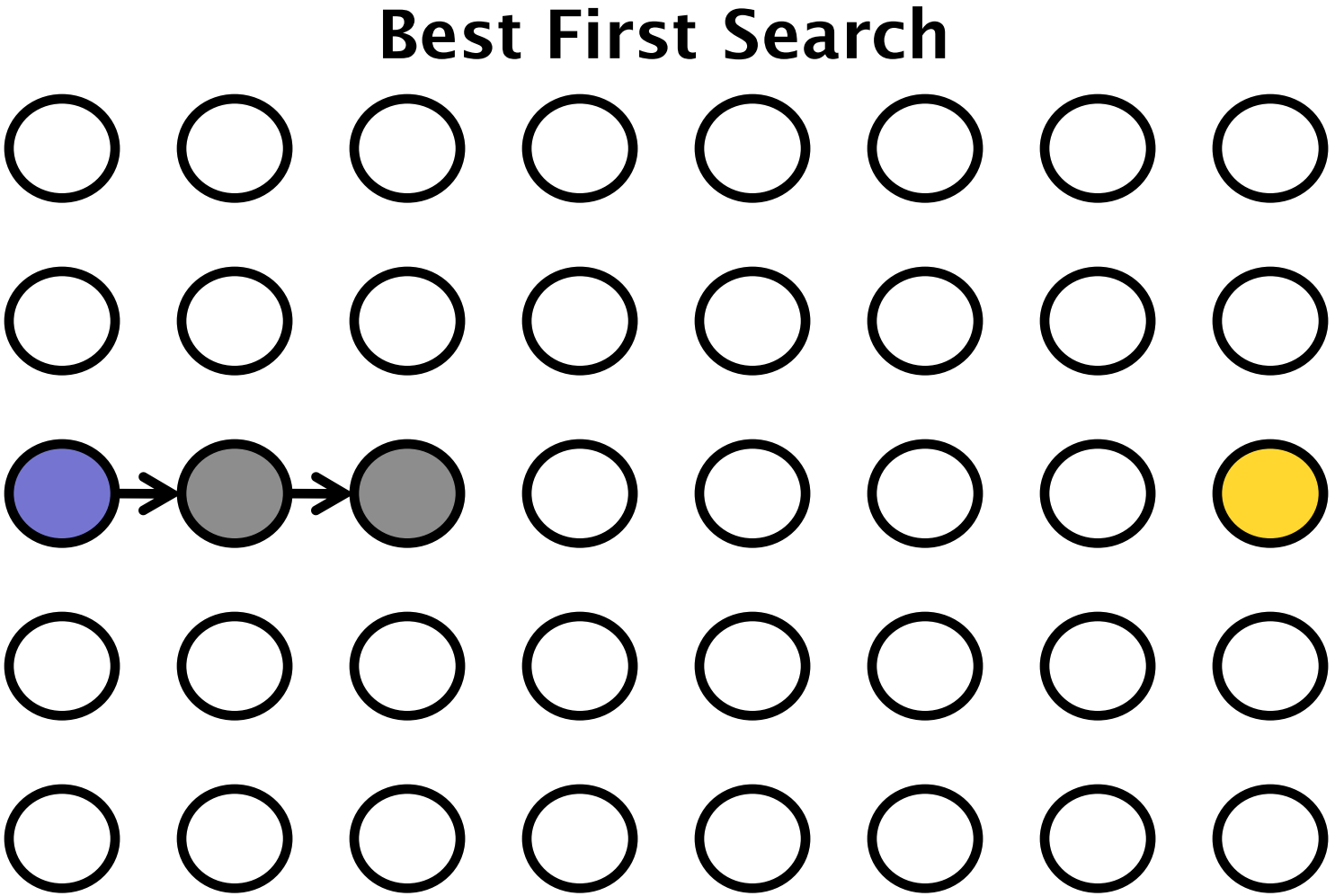

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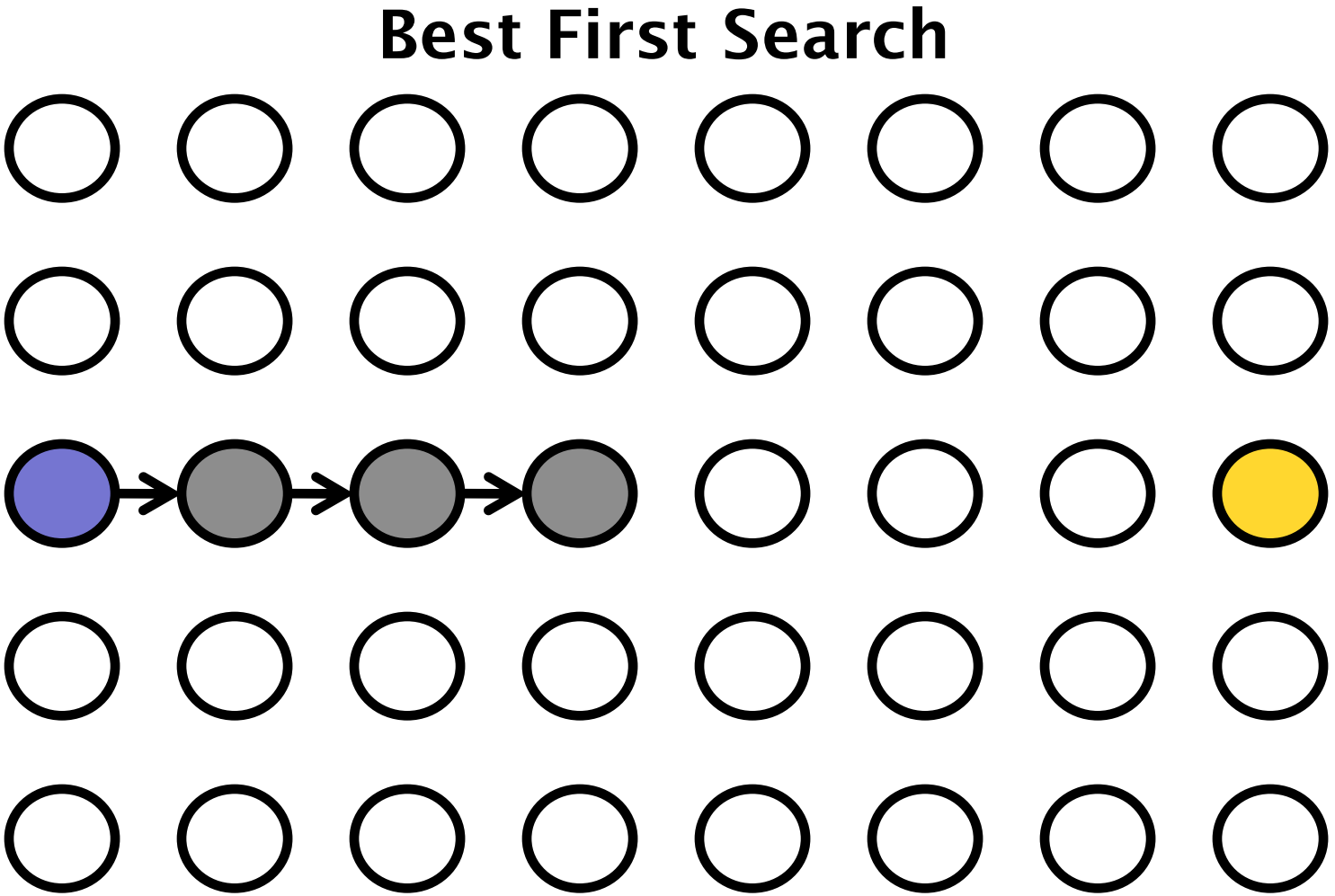

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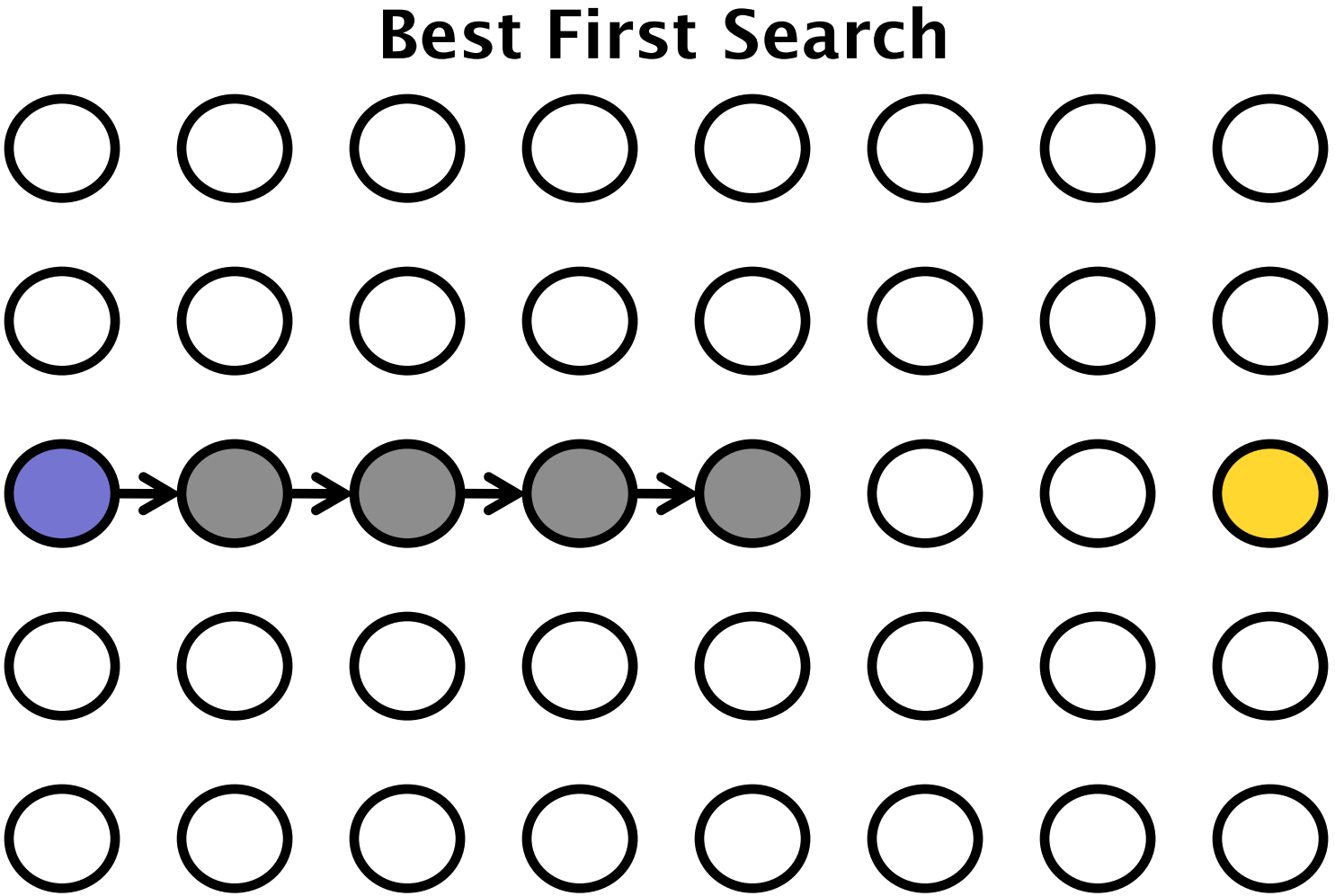

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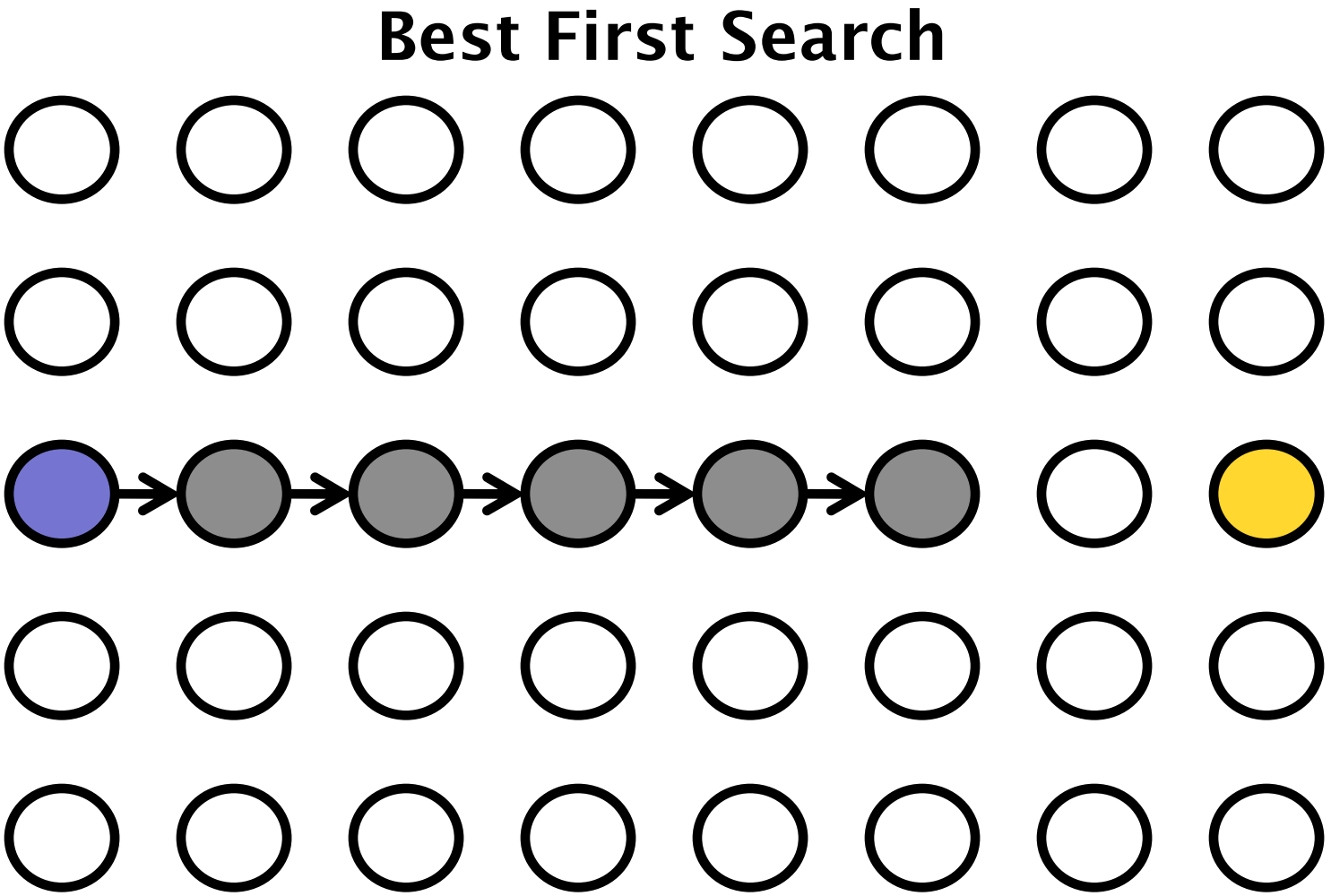

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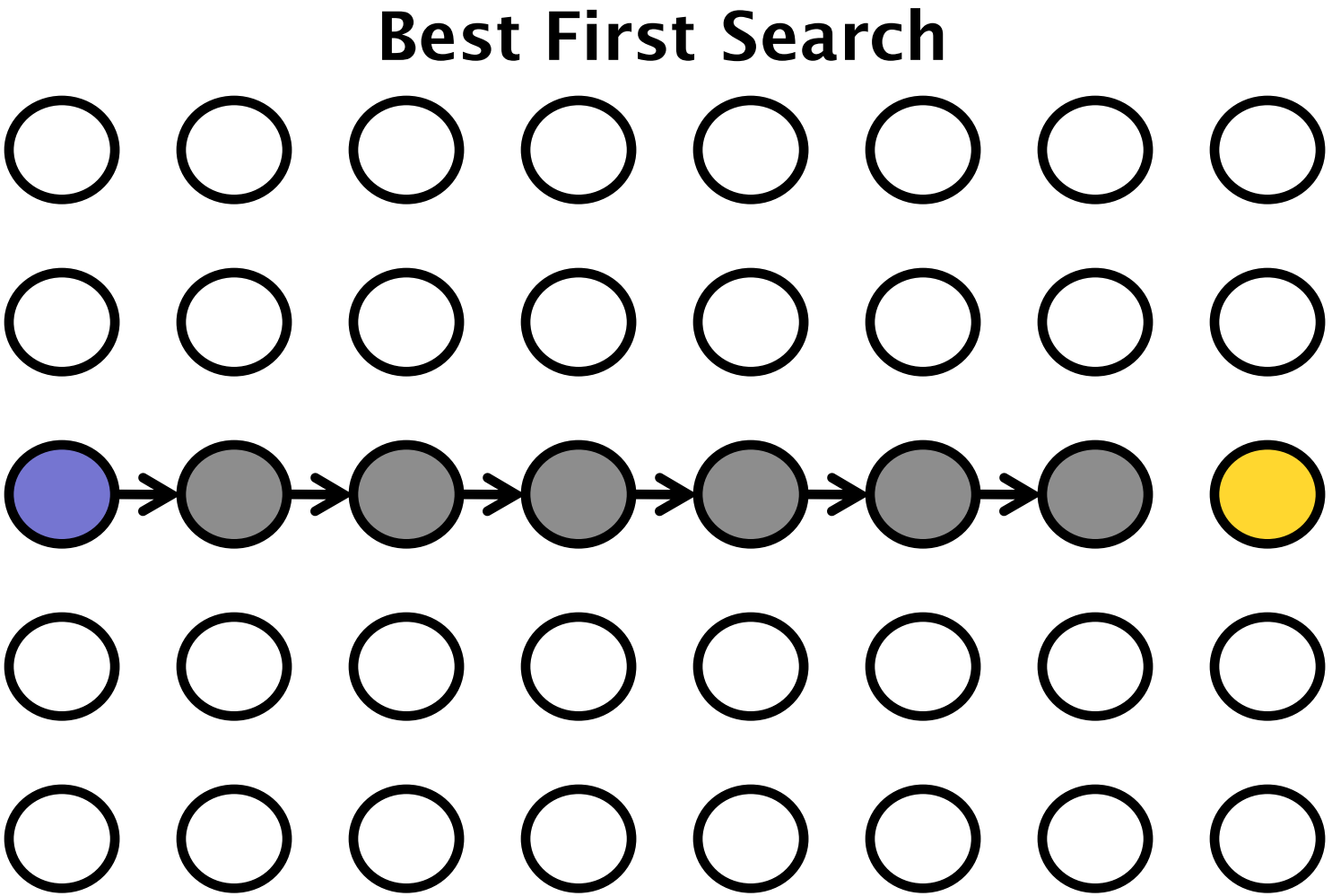

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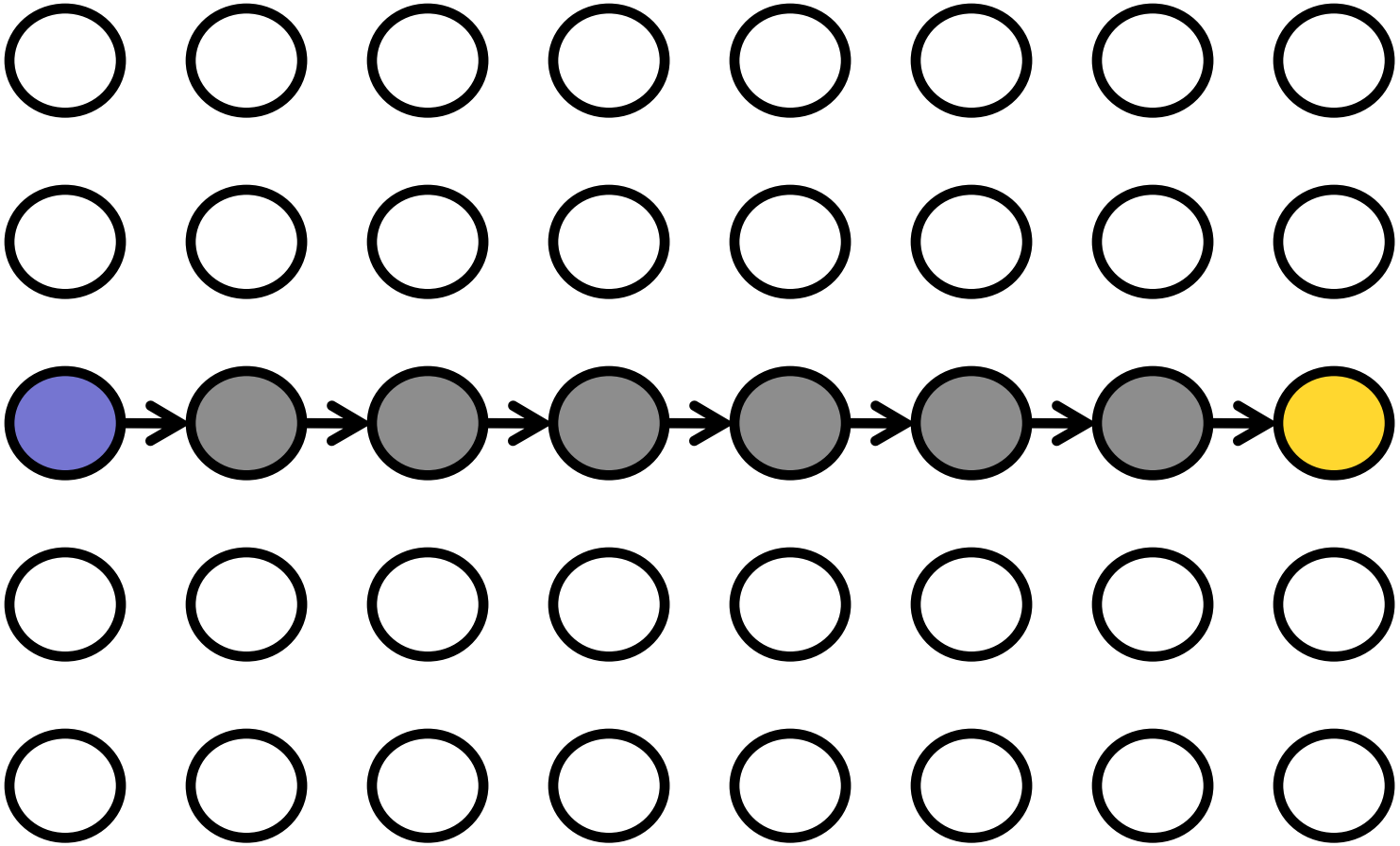
First Complete Parse!



Example Search

After the First Complete Parse

Count edges expanded so far

Then Expand

Edge count x Pruning constant more edges

Pruning constant = T parameter /10

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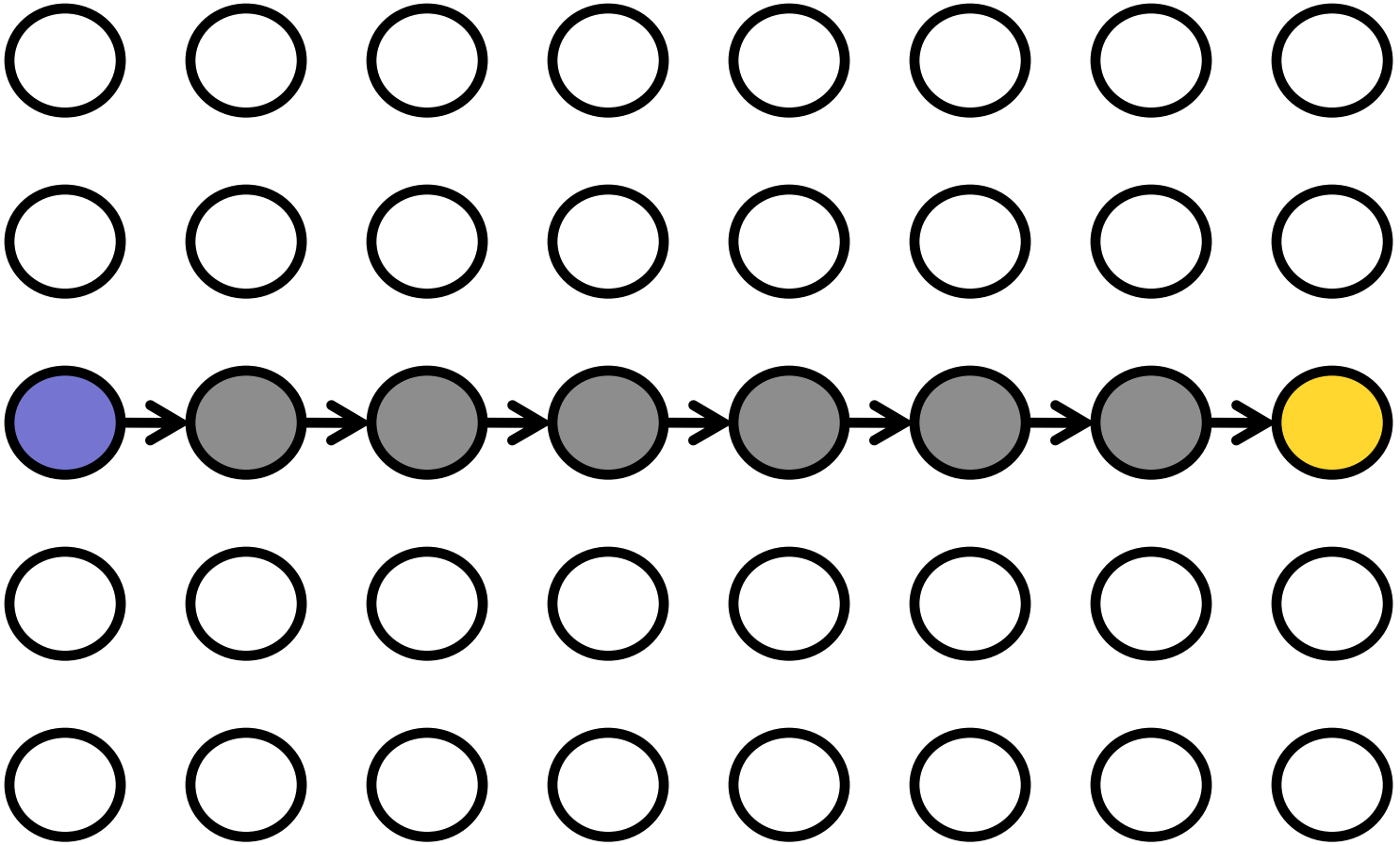
Expand edge count x Constant more edges



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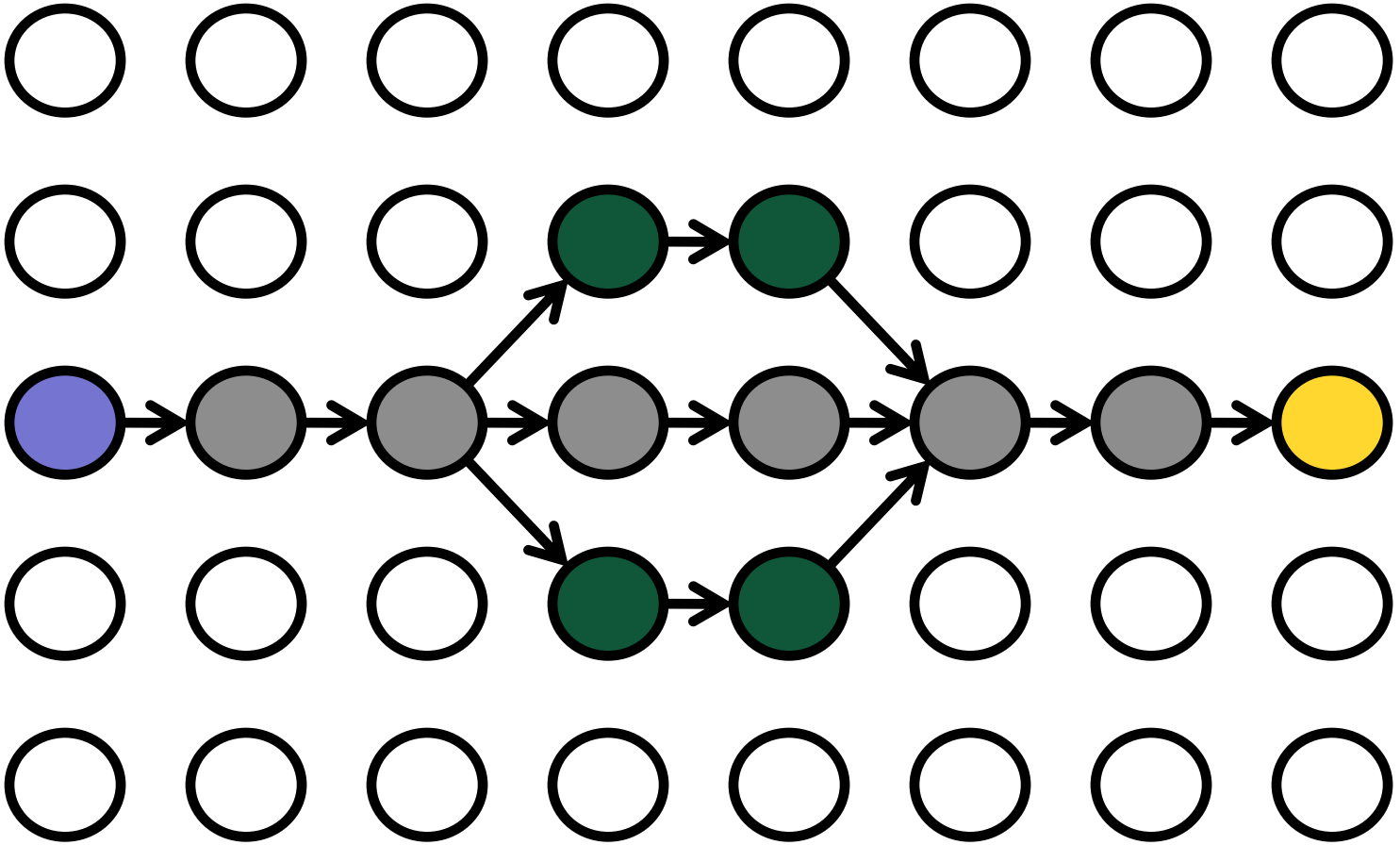

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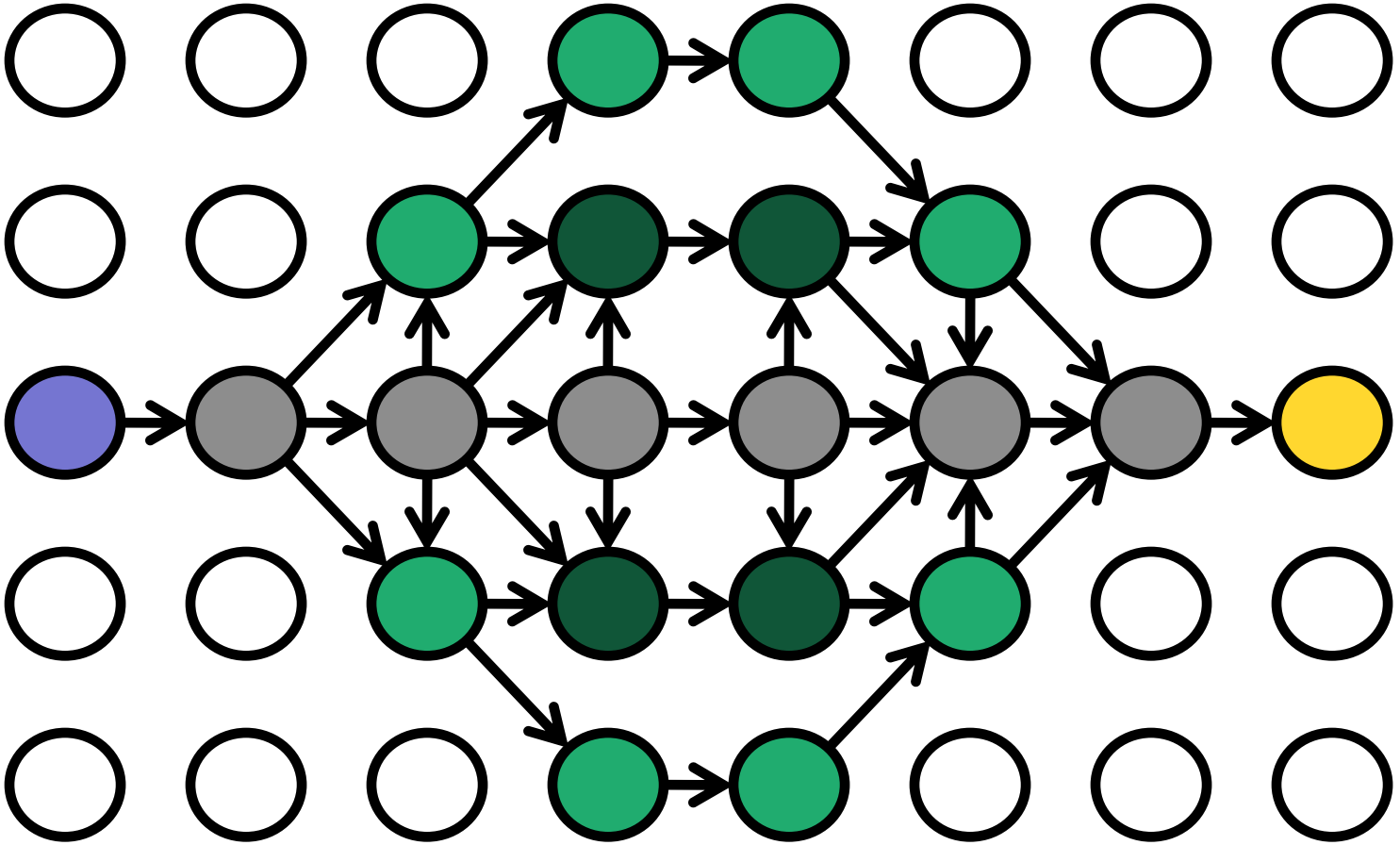

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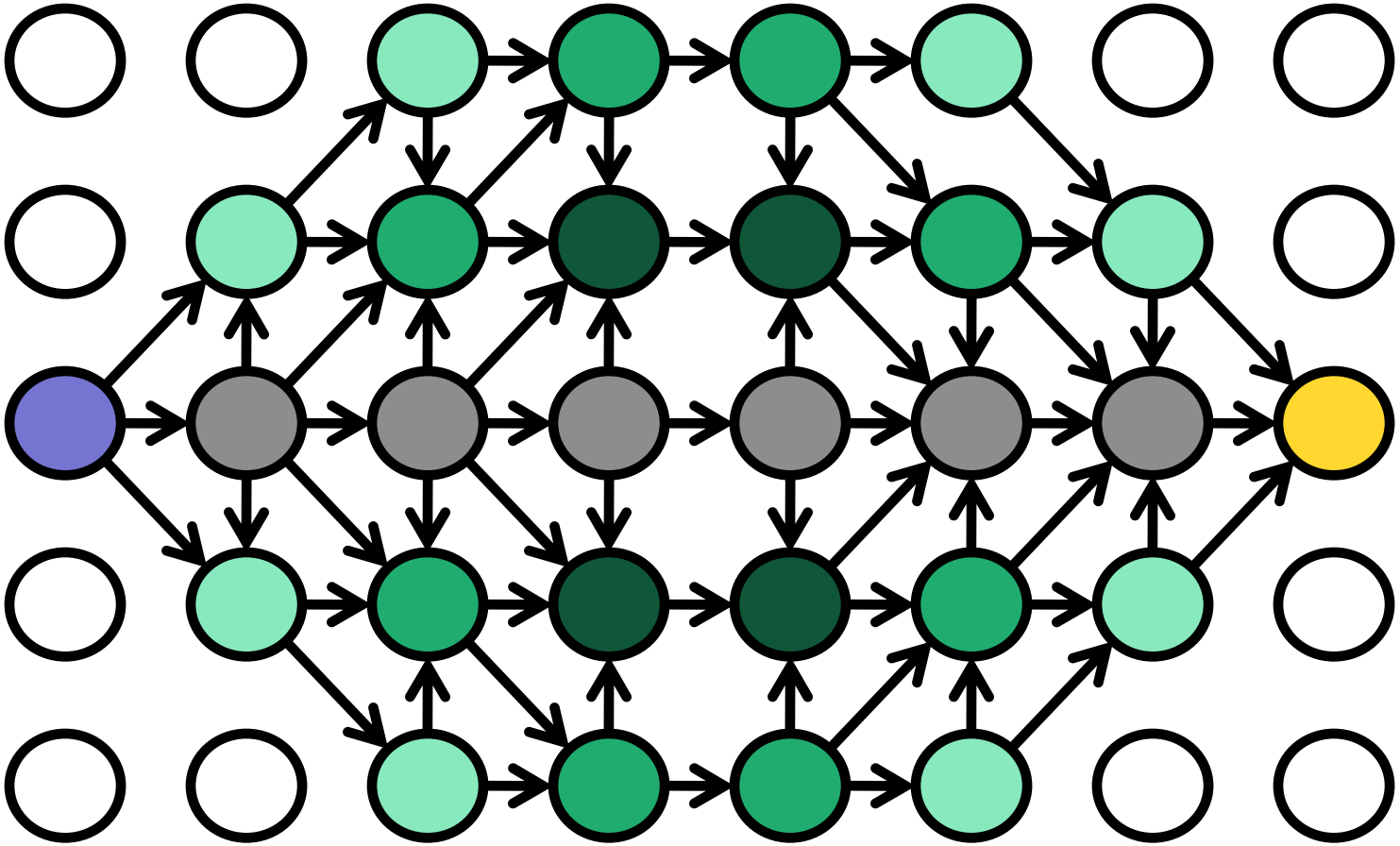

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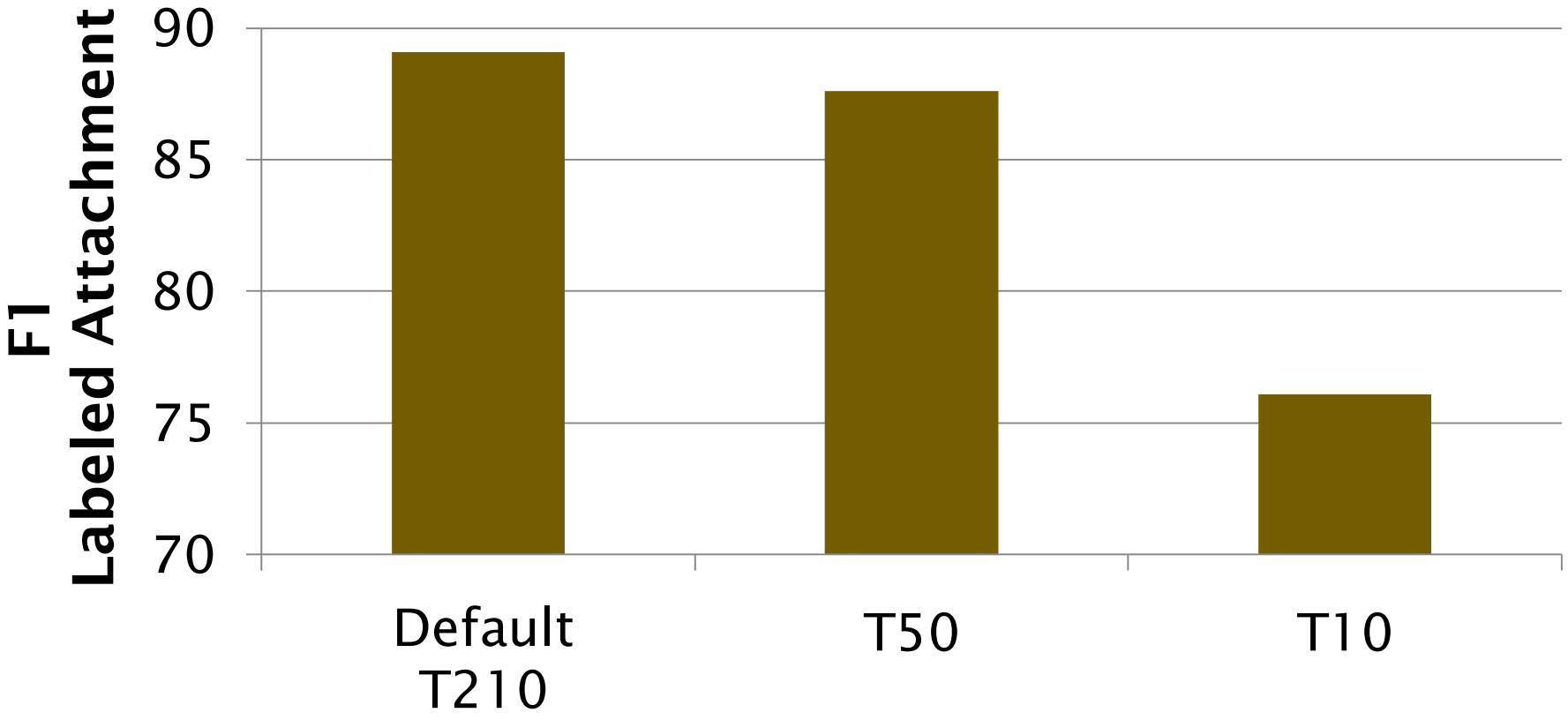

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Charniak Johnson Search Space Pruning

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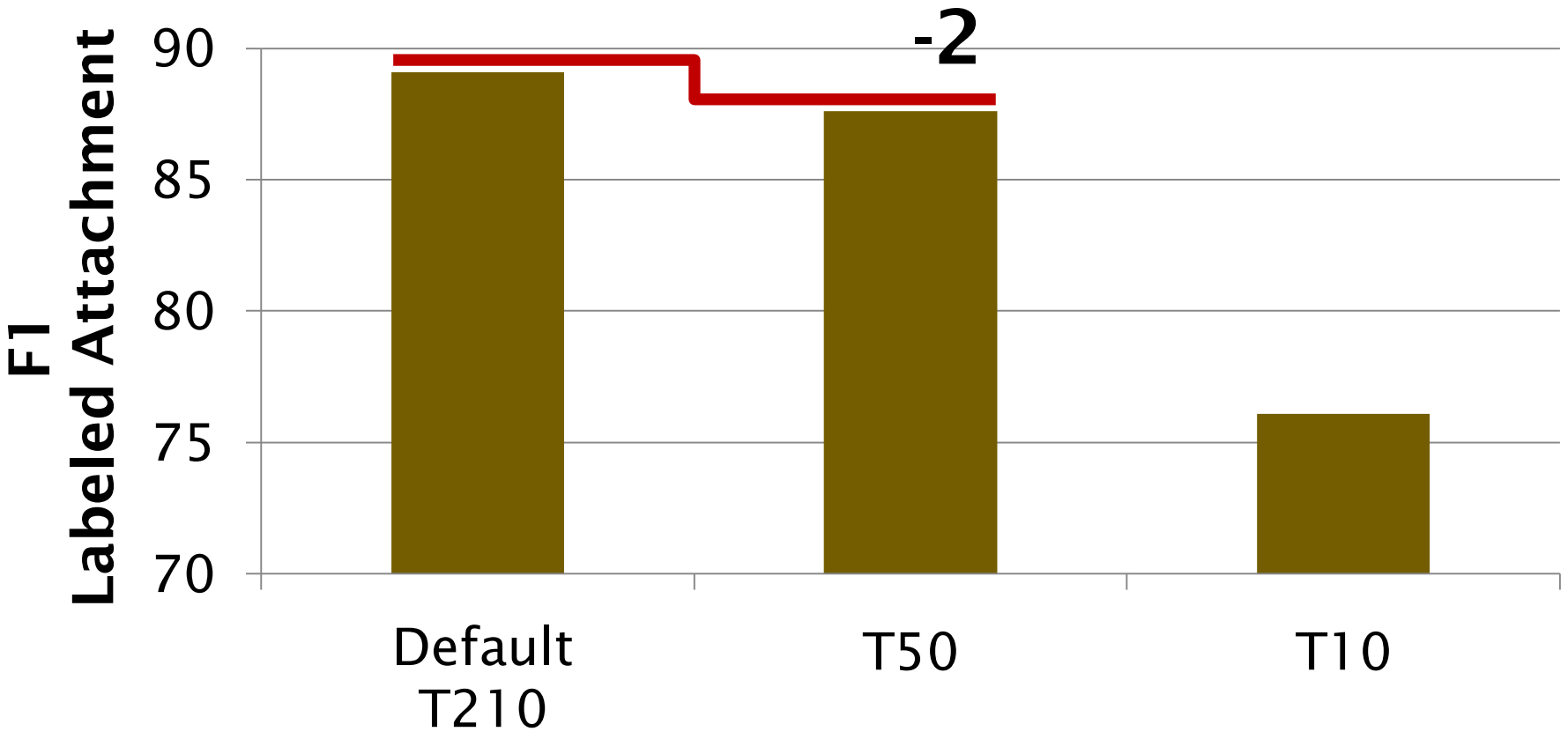

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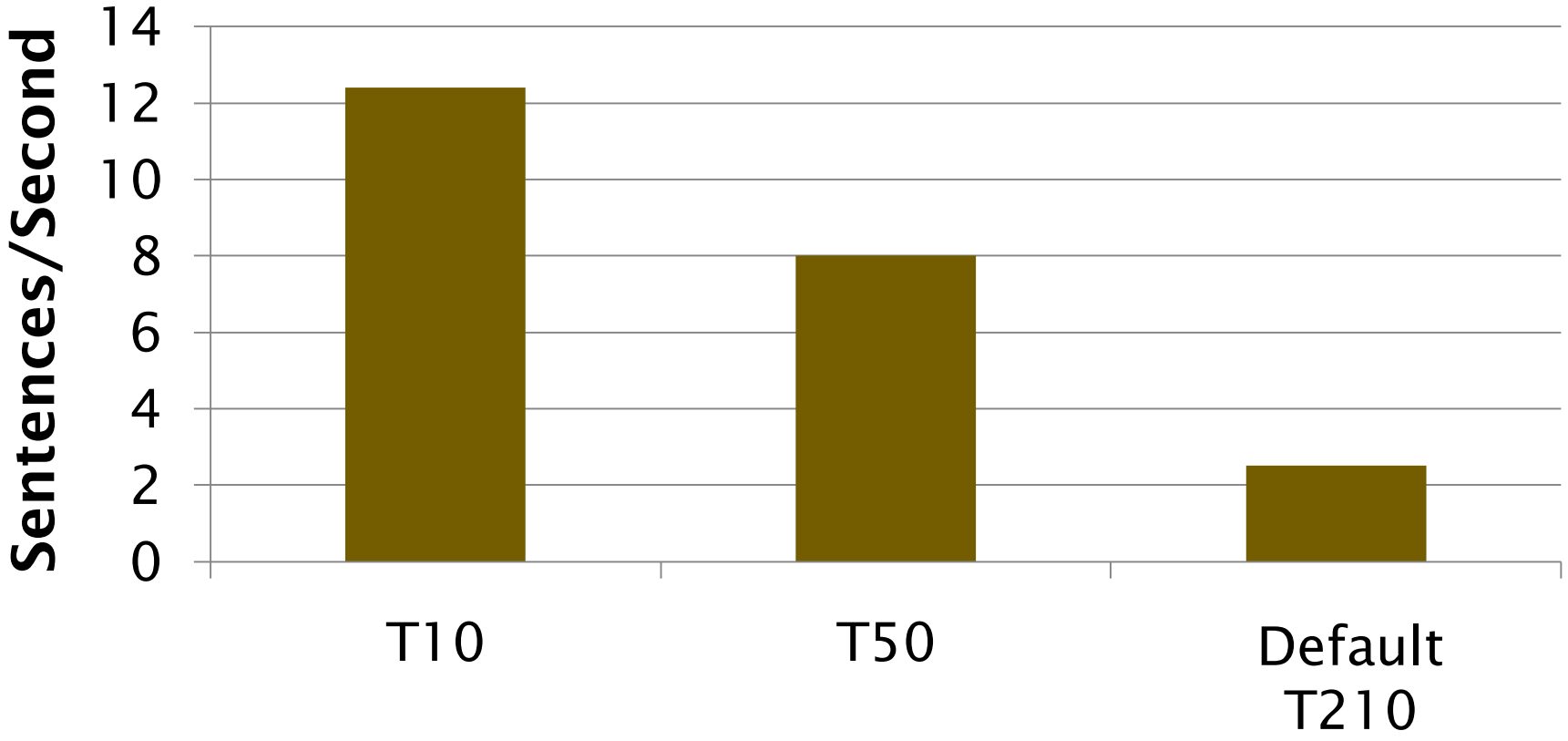

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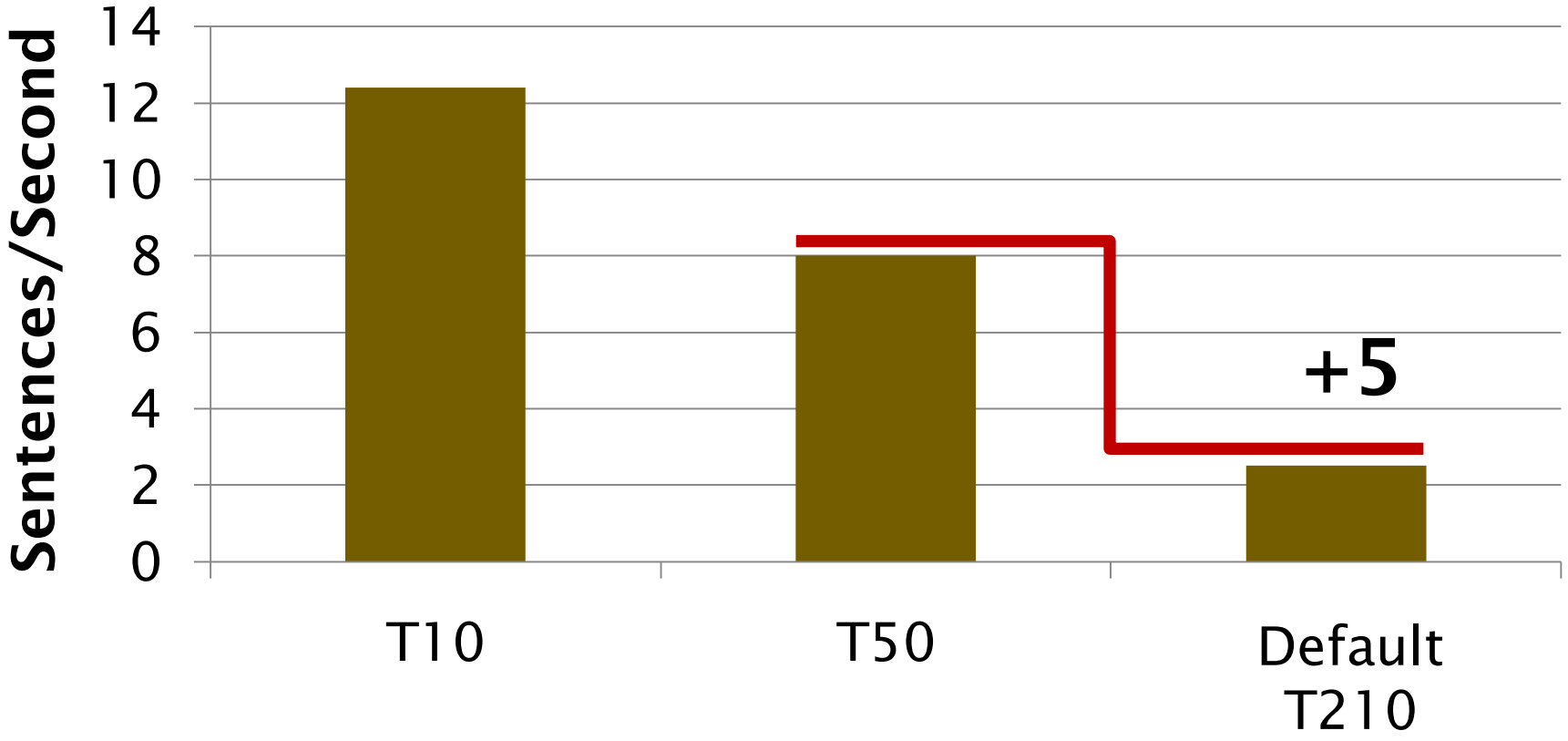

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with Pruning

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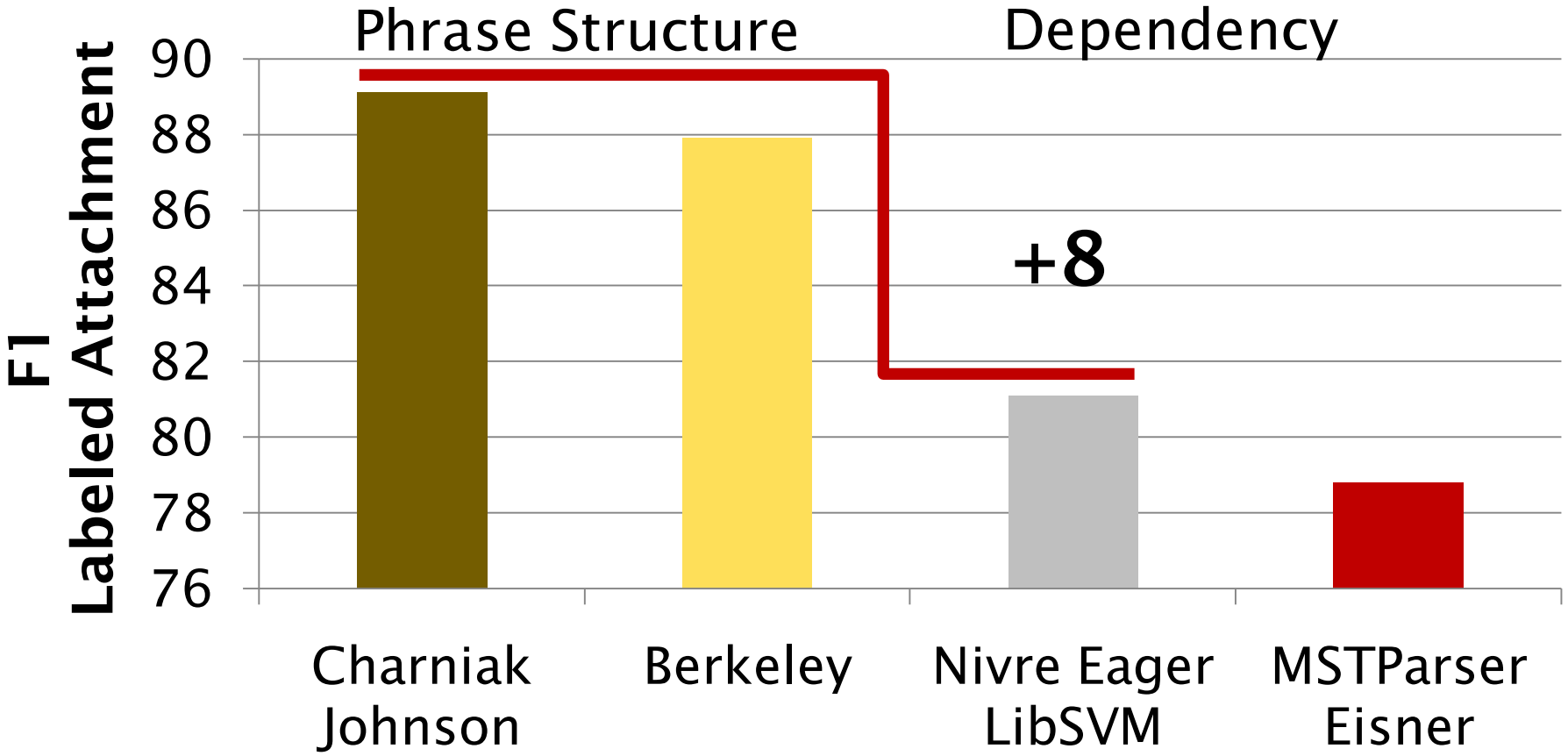

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Let's insert Charniak Johnson T50

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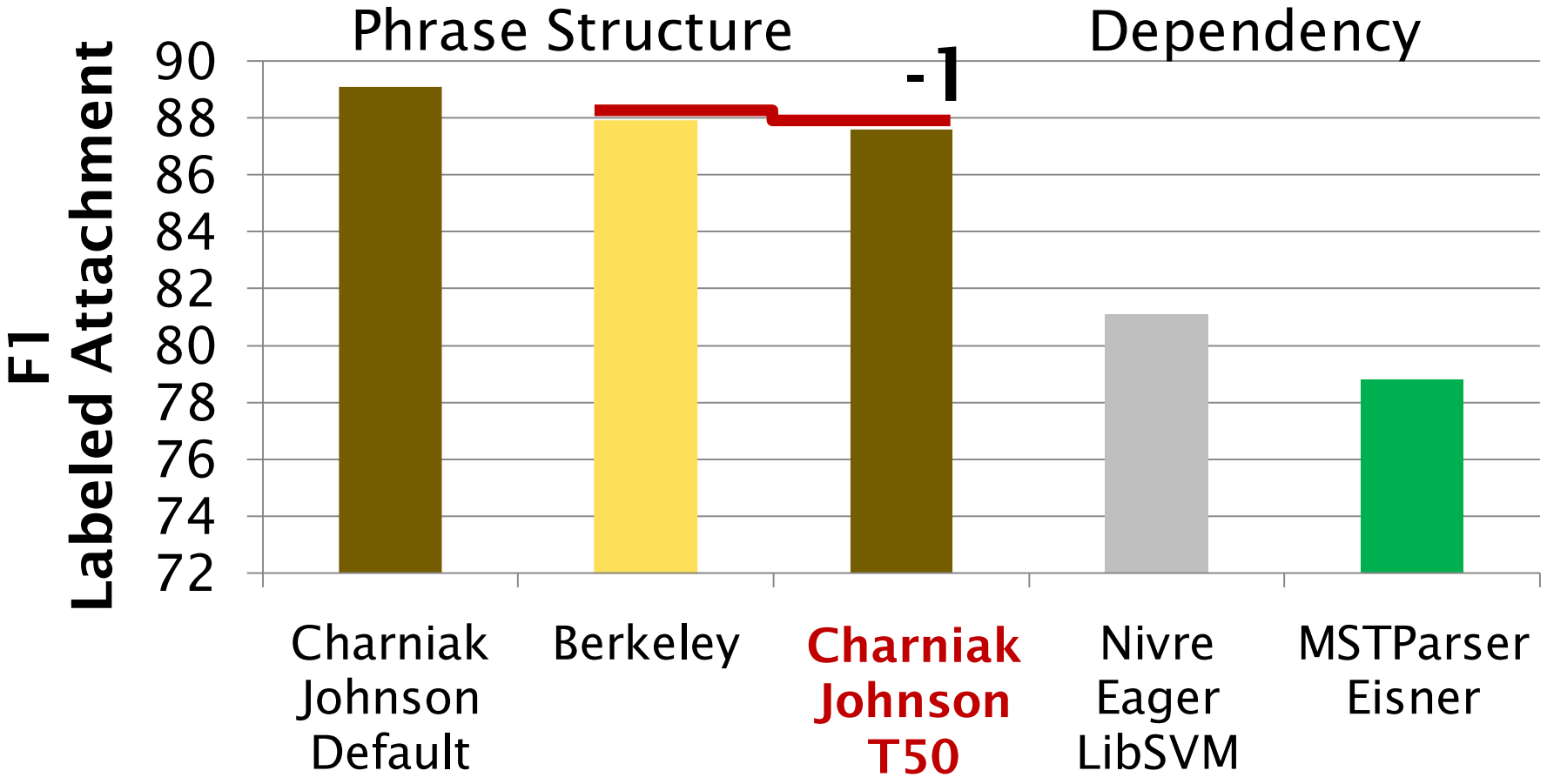

About as good as Berkeley

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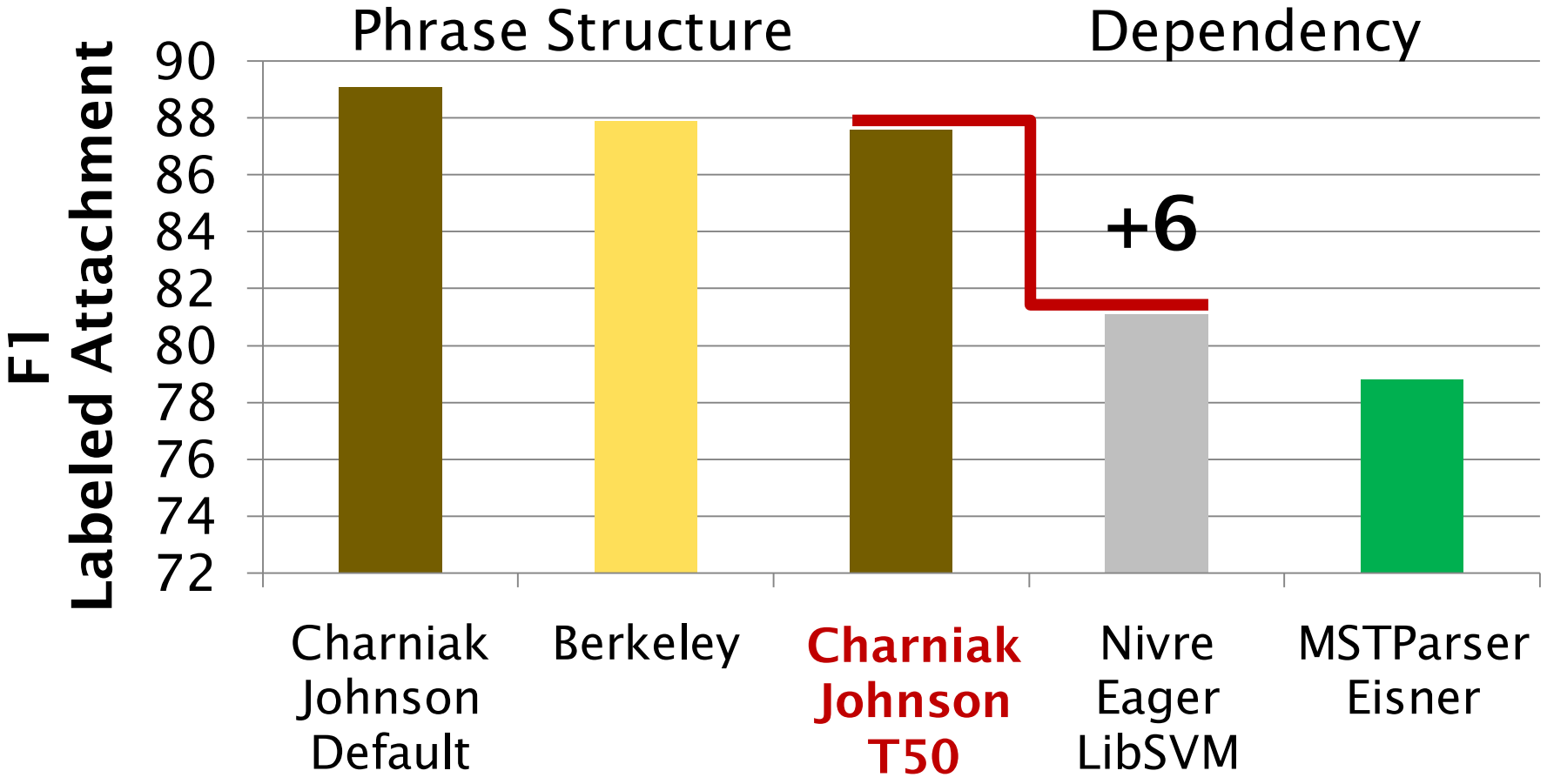

Much better than best dependency parser

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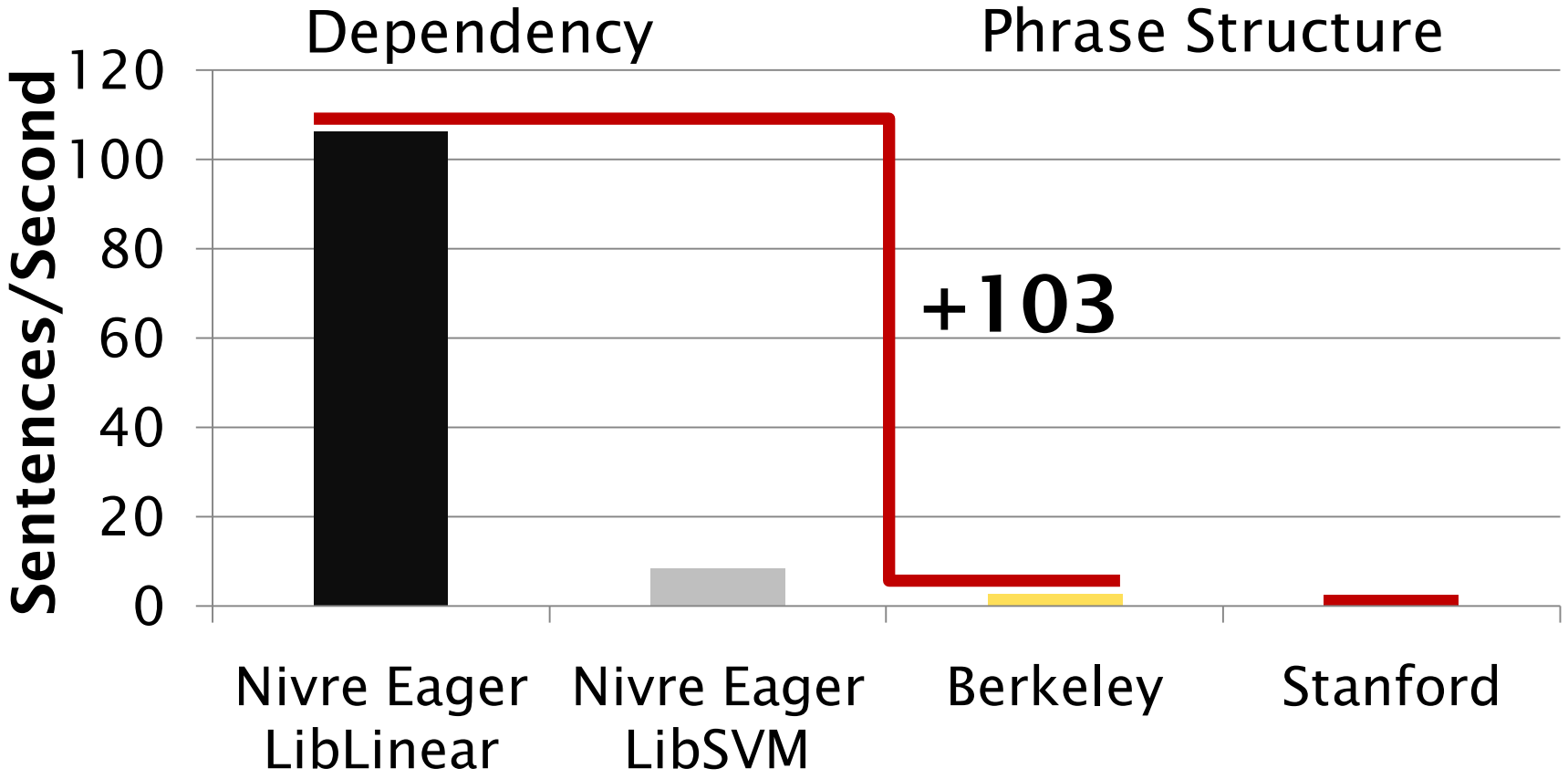

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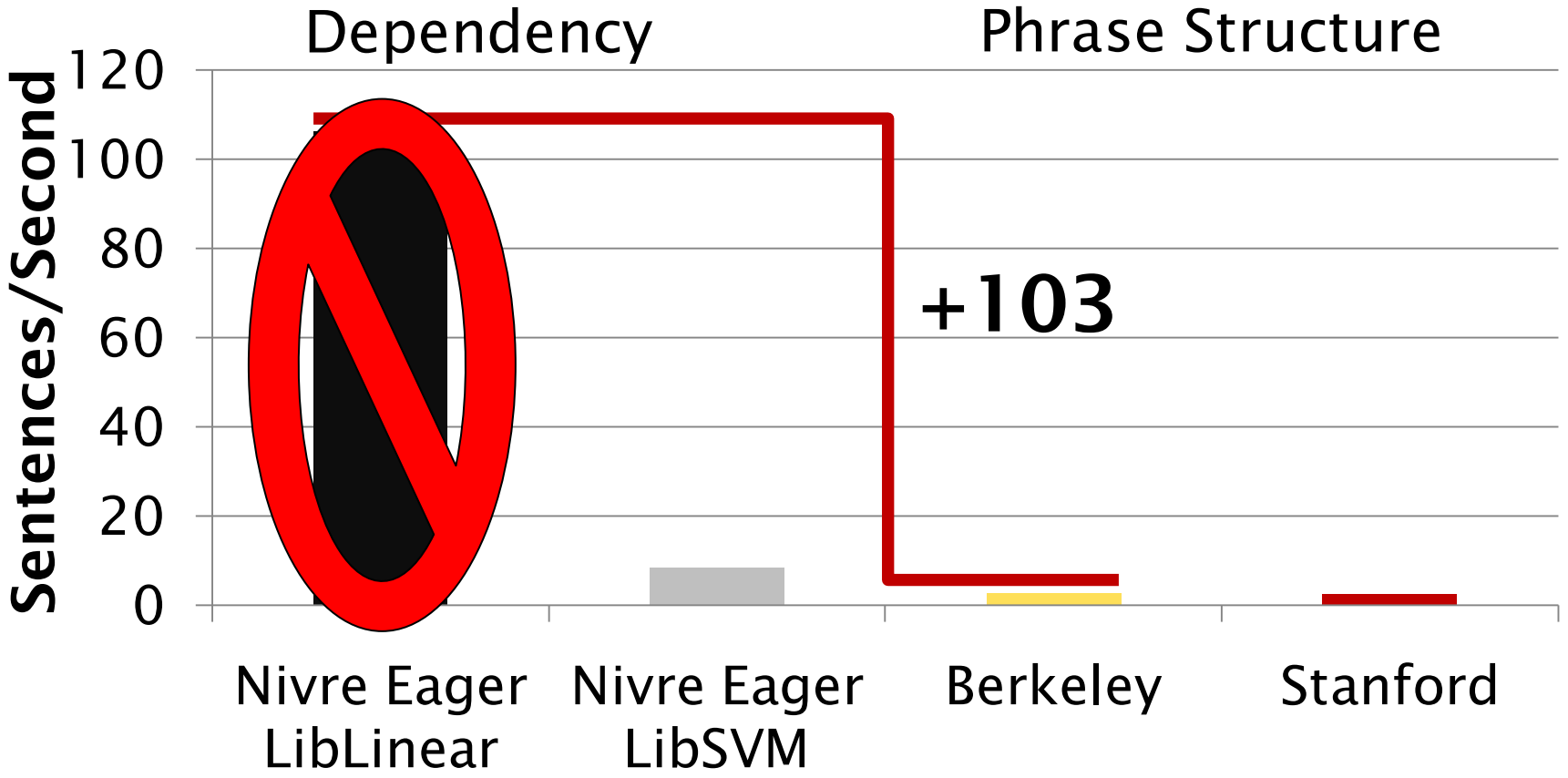

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…Excluding the 100+ sentences/second parser

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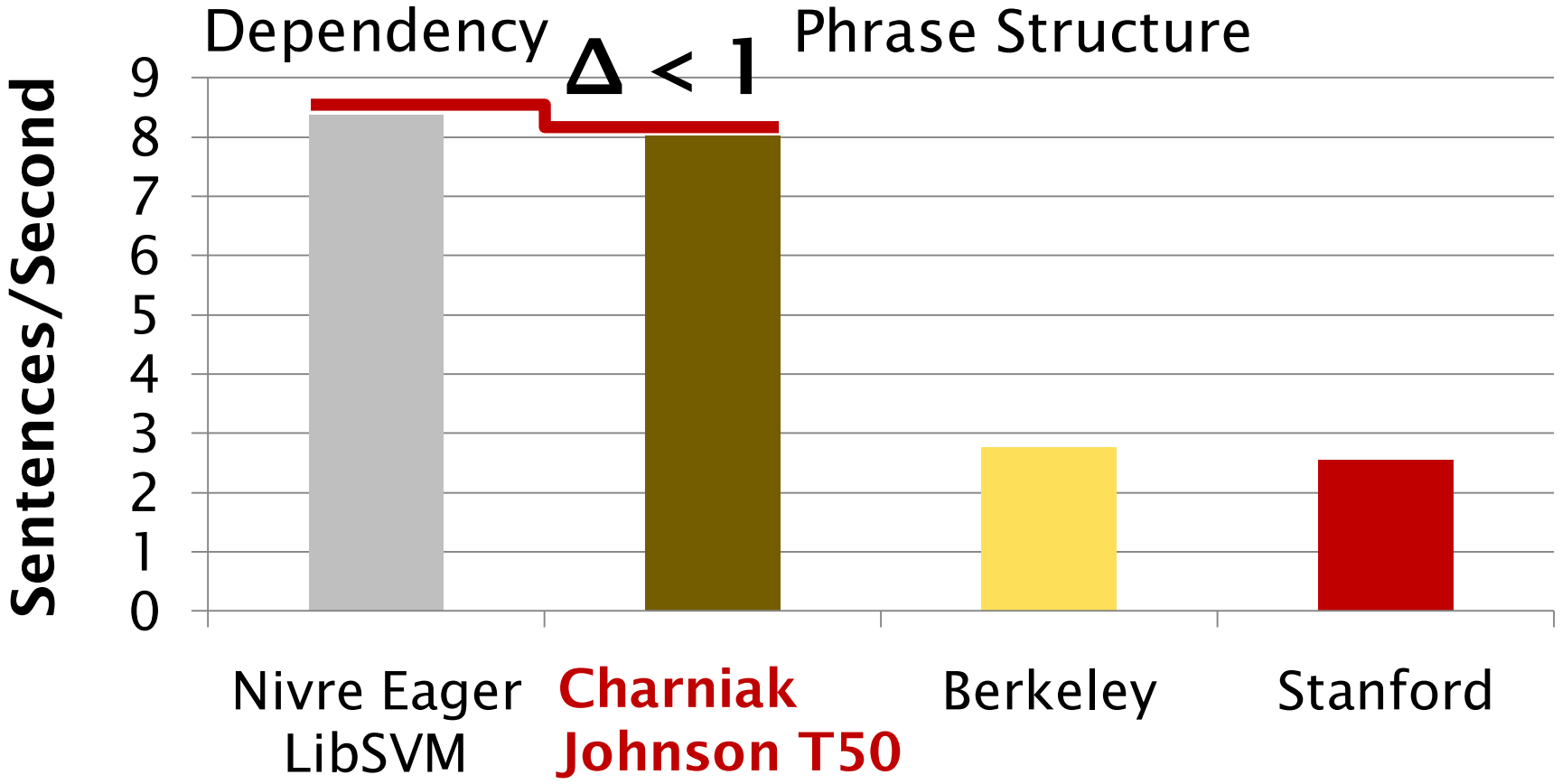

Nearly as fast as Nivre Eager using LibSVM

Pruning Summary

Charniak Johnson T50

Accuracy similar to
best phrase structure parsers

Speed similar to
most dependency parsers

Conclusion

For Accuracy

Charniak Johnson
89.1 Labeled Attachment F1

For Speed

Nivre Eager with LibLinear
+100 Sentences/second

For A Good Balance

Charniak Johnson T50
87.6 Labeled Attachment F1
Speed similar to most dependency parsers

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