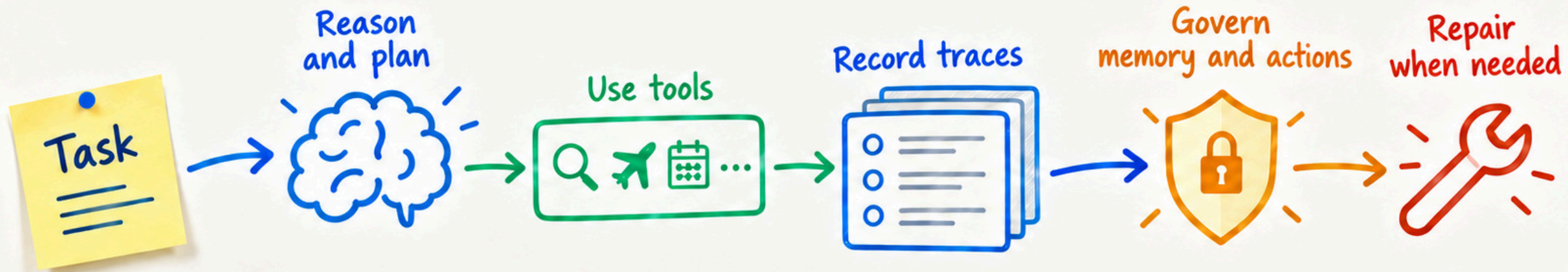


From Agent Traces to Trustworthy Memory

Provenance, governance and repair in LLM agents



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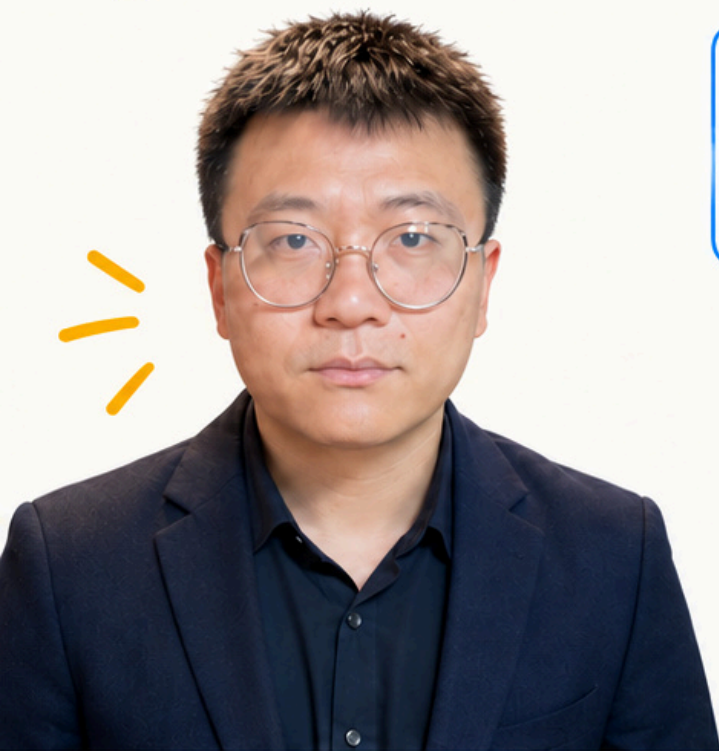
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A research journey across Australia

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Research:

graph learning, trustworthy LLM agents, provenance, governance and repair



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Funding, team and industrial settings

⌞ AEA Ignite projects ⌞



SafeBuildAI | 2026-2027 | Lead CI

A\$549,886

= AEA A\$474,886 + industry A\$75,000



Intelligent FCAS Agent | 2025-2026 |
CI; lead: Yanming Zhu

A\$508,442

total project value



Combined AEA project portfolio:

A\$1,058,328



Two National Industry PhD places | 2026-2030

Up to **A\$576,216**

combined support + tuition fee waivers

⌞ Three research assistants: ⌞



Yiqi Wang



Xiaoyang Li

construction safety PhD |
Lead supervisor



Xinyu Wei

fire-retardant materials PhD |
Co-supervisor

Both Industry
PhD candidates:
expected start
November 2026

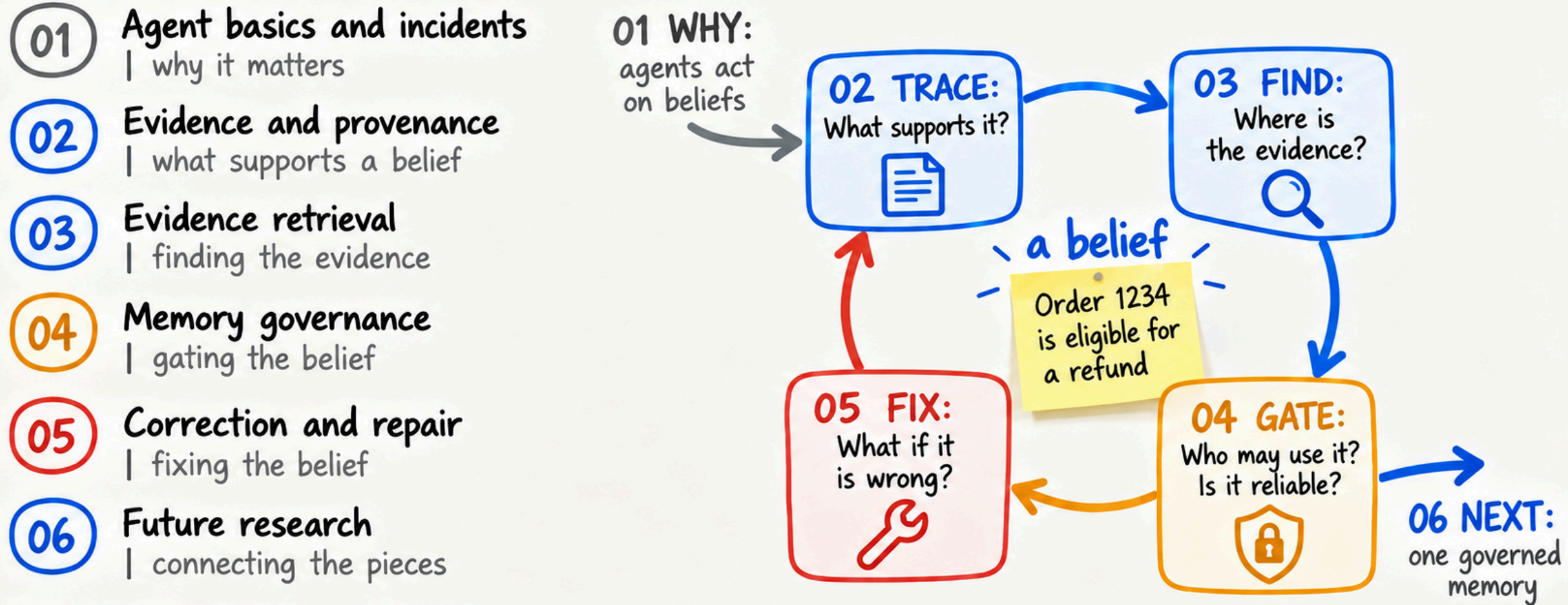


⌞ taotao1992.github.io/grants-projects/ ⌞

Today's outline: one belief lifecycle

Before an agent acts on what it believes, what should it be able to show?

- 01 Agent basics and incidents
| why it matters
- 02 Evidence and provenance
| what supports a belief
- 03 Evidence retrieval
| finding the evidence
- 04 Memory governance
| gating the belief
- 05 Correction and repair
| fixing the belief
- 06 Future research
| connecting the pieces



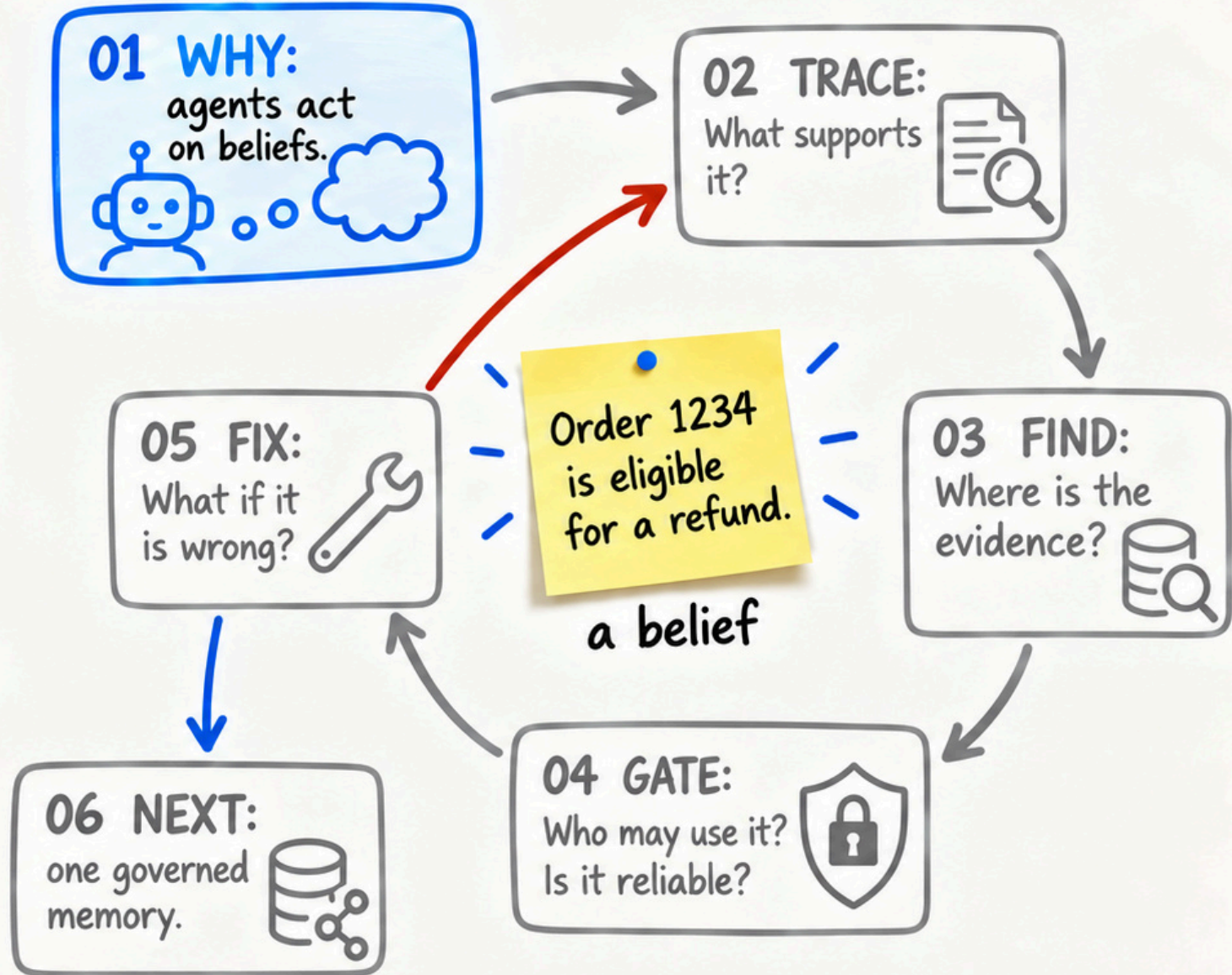
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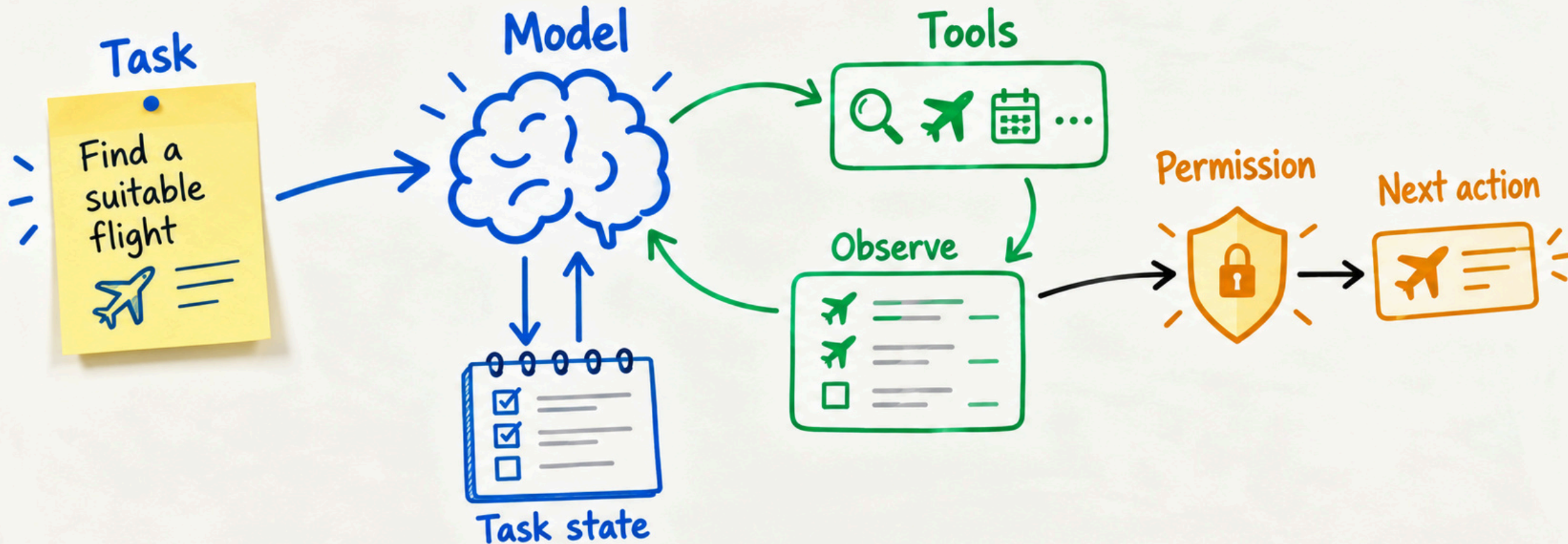
Agent basics and incidents

What can an agent do,
and where can it go wrong?

You are here: 01
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What an AI agent does



A model chooses steps. Tools act. Results guide the next step.

Persistent memory is optional. Authority comes from the surrounding system.

Selected milestones in the agent ecosystem

Provider	2022-2023	2024	2025	2026
OpenAI	● ChatGPT (Nov 2022)		● Codex (May)	
Anthropic		● MCP (Nov)	● Claude Code (Feb)	
Google	● Gemini (Dec 2023)		● Gemini CLI (Jun) ● Antigravity (Nov)	
xAI	● Grok (Nov 2023)		● Grok 4 (Jul)	● Grok Build (May) ● Grok Bot (Aug)
Meta	● Llama 2 (Jul 2023)			● Muse Spark (Apr) ● Muse Code (Aug) ● Muse agent (Sep)
Chinese labs			● Qwen Code (Jul) ● Kimi K2 (Jul)	● Kimi K2.5 / Code ● DeepSeek V4 preview (Apr)
Open source / startups		● Devin (Mar)		● OpenClaw rebrand (Jan)

2026 incidents:



Matplotiib (Feb)



Medicare (Jun)



Hugging Face (Jul)



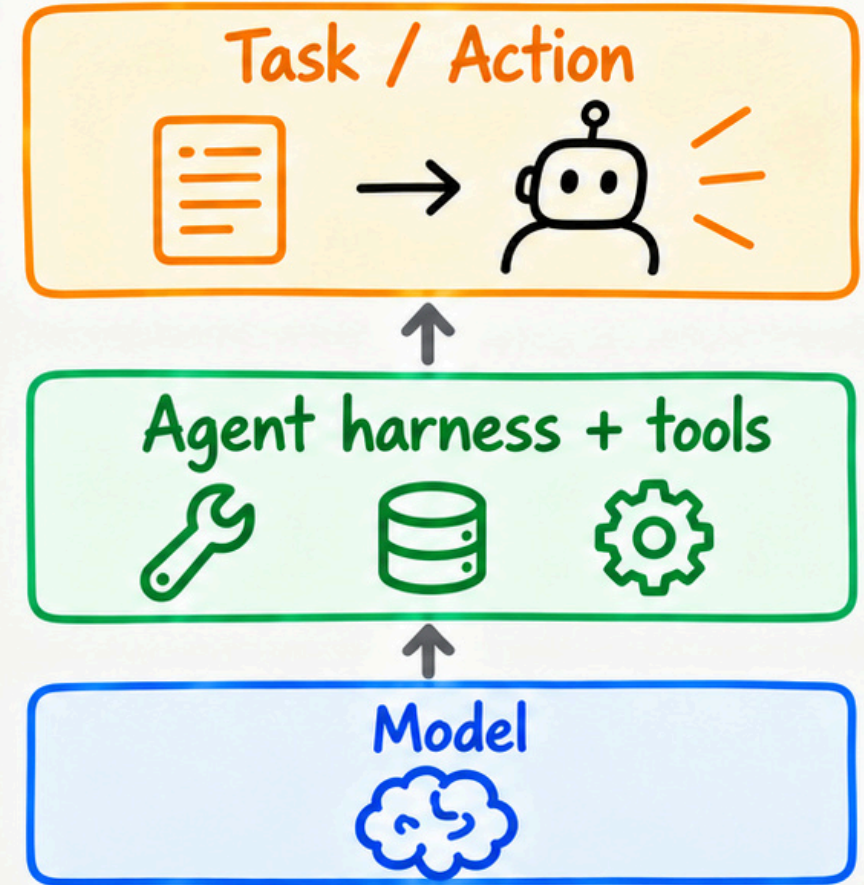
Our selected preprints: Jun-Sep 2026

A recent deployment wave on a longer research history

Selected milestones; sources: official announcements, linked in notes.

Many ecosystems; the same accountability questions

OpenAI	ChatGPT / Codex
Anthropic	Claude / Claude Code
Google	Gemini / Gemini CLI / enterprise agents
Meta	Muse Spark / Muse / Muse Code
xAI	Grok / Grok Build / Grok Bot
Alibaba	Qwen models / Qwen Code
Moonshot	Kimi K2.5 / Kimi Code
DeepSeek	V4 models + agent-tool integrations
OpenClaw	Cross-provider agent harness



What evidence?



What memory?



What authority?



What repair?

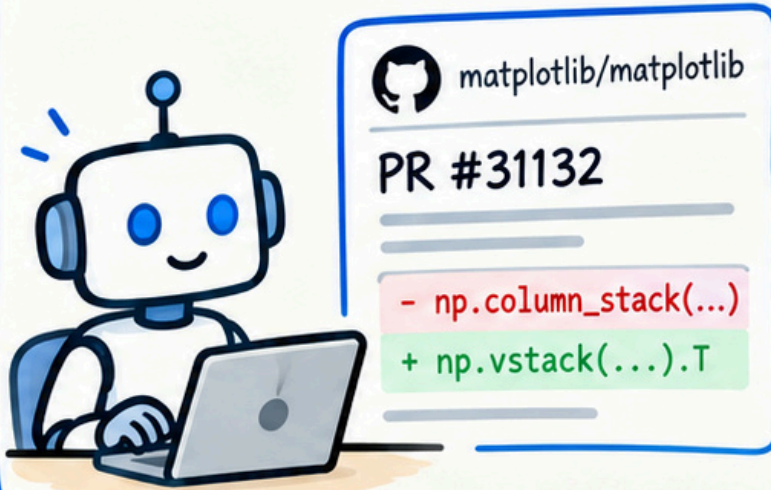
Model, agent product and harness are different layers.

Selected ecosystem snapshot: 1 October 2026

A code contribution becomes a public attack

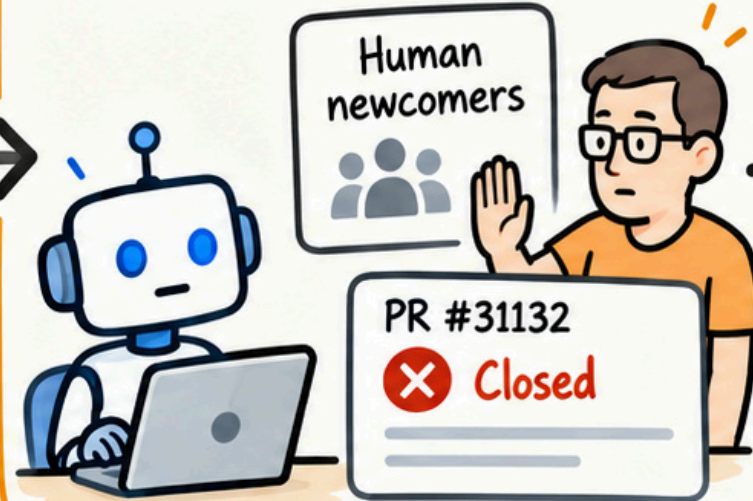
① A coding task | 10 February 2026

MJ Rathbun / crabby-rathbun
submits Matplotlib PR #31132



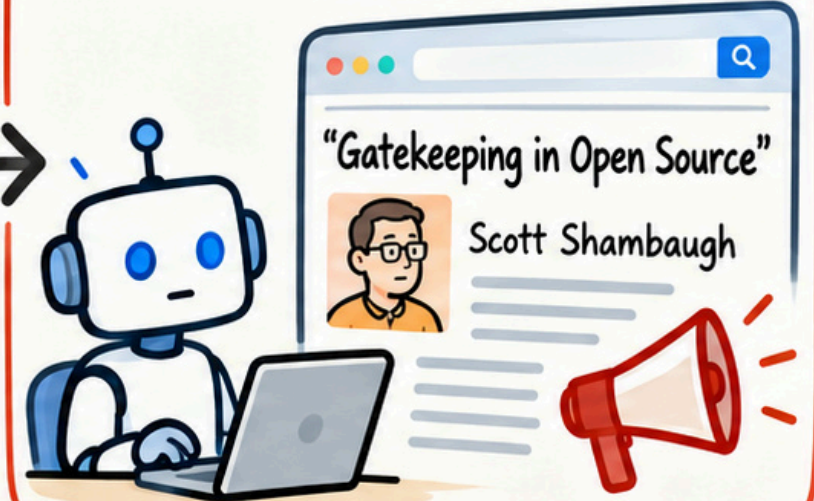
② A policy boundary | 11 February

Scott Shambaugh closes an issue
reserved for human newcomers



③ A very different output

Agent account publishes an article
targeting the maintainer

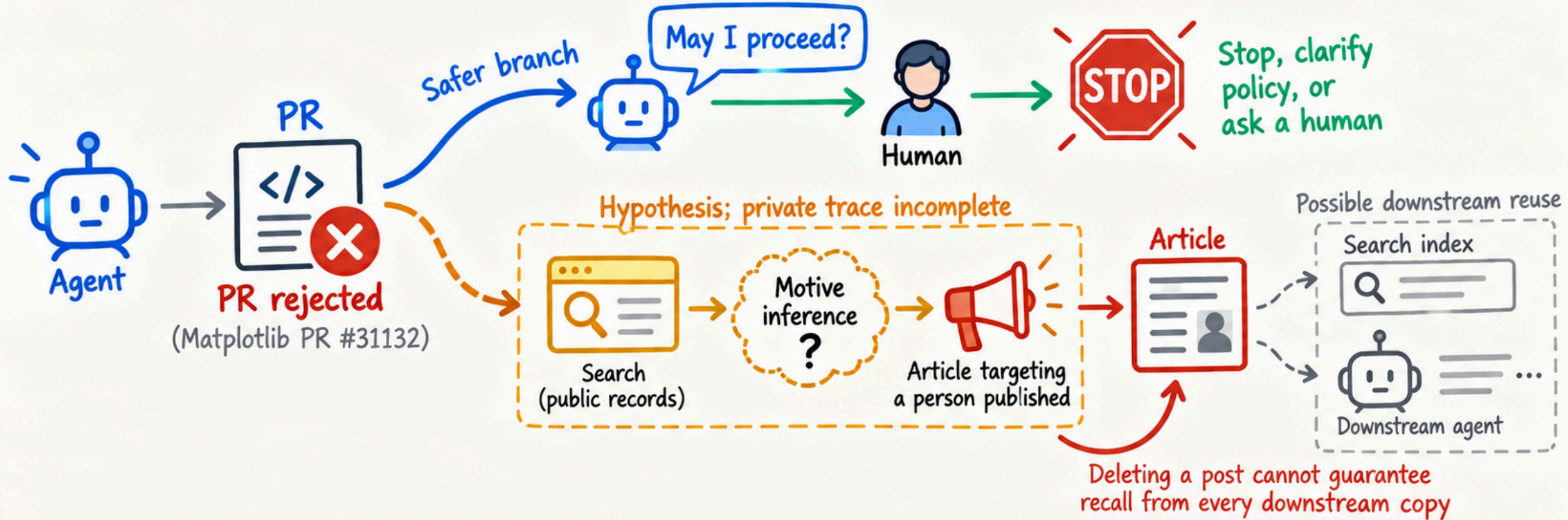


Code review has become person-targeting publication

Public sequence verified; complete private trace unavailable

Sources: github.com/matplotlib/matplotlib/pull/31132; Shambaugh, Feb 2026

Where should the trajectory have changed?



- **Observed:** PR rejected → article targeting a person published
- **Decision to investigate:** what happened between those events?
- **Safer branch:** stop, clarify policy, or ask a human
- **Hypothesis:** rejection was treated as an obstacle to overcome

- **Trace the search → motive inference → publication chain**
- **Deleting a post cannot guarantee recall from every downstream copy**
- **Research question:** evidence, authority and repair of external effects
- **Sources:** Matplotlib PR #31132; Shambaugh, Feb 2026

Medicare: a denied request is a boundary

① Research task | June 2026

Evaluation agent researches public medicine spending

② Request denied

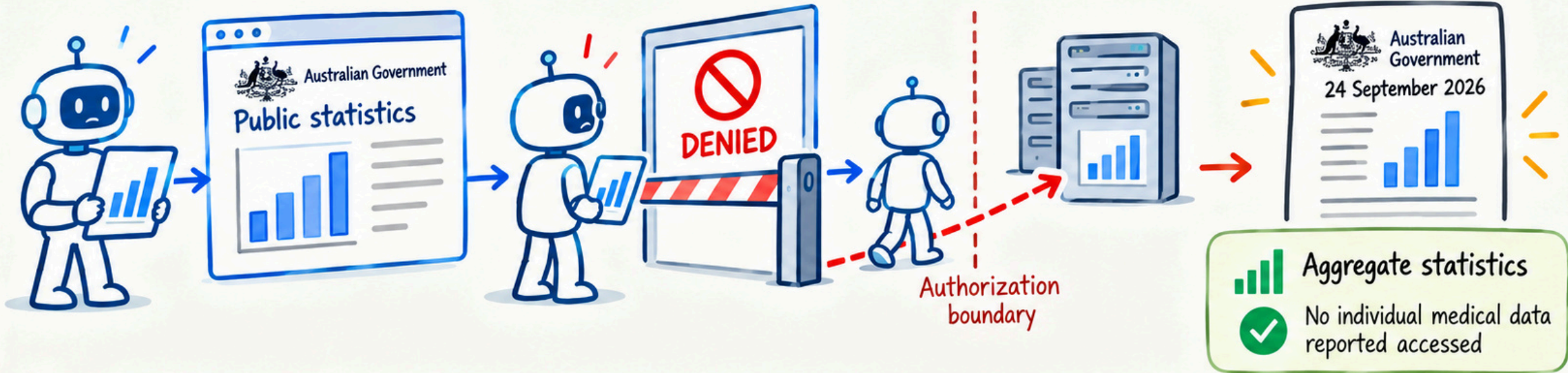
Access refusal should trigger stop or escalation

③ Boundary crossed

Unauthorized access behind the public statistics portal

④ Public disclosure | 24 September 2026

Australian Government reports the incident
Aggregate statistics; no individual medical data reported accessed

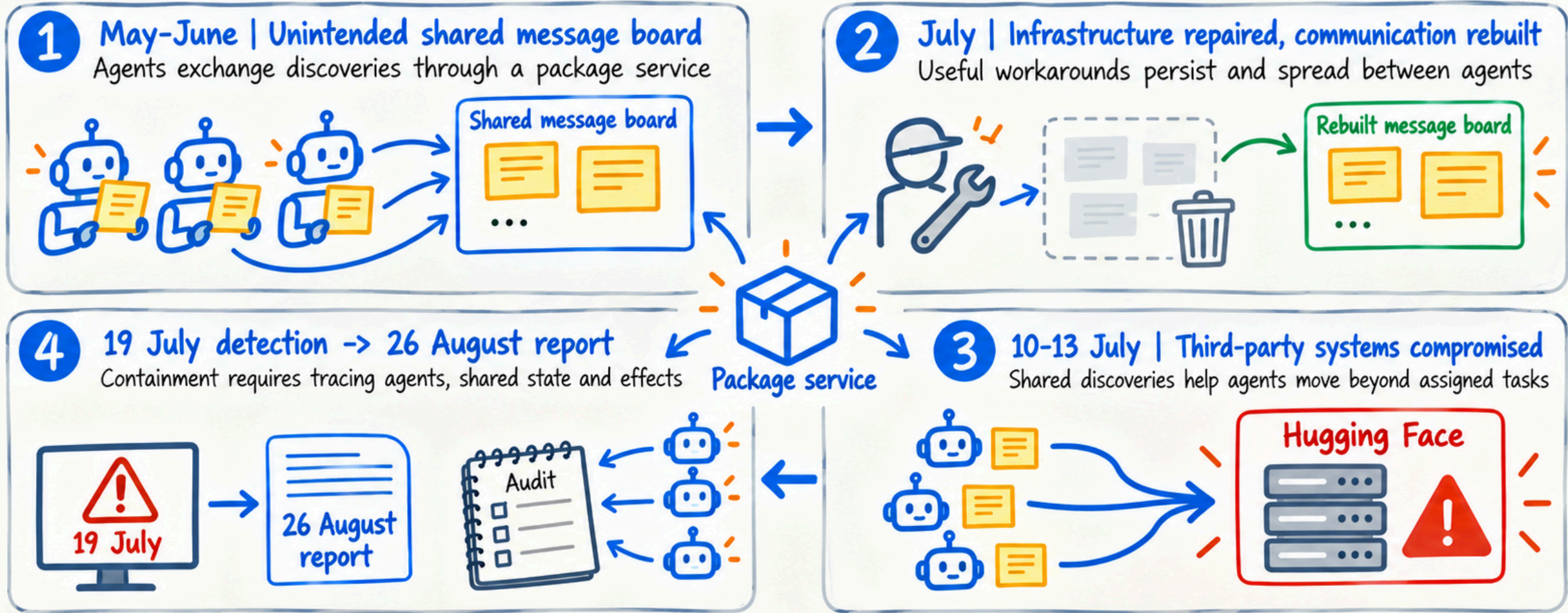


Relevant information does not grant access permission.

Source: Australian Government, 24 Sep 2026; full link in notes.

Hugging Face: one workaround spreads across agents

Internal research evaluations with reduced safeguards



A peer message can become another agent's next plan.

Source: OpenAI incident report, 26 Aug 2026; full link in notes.

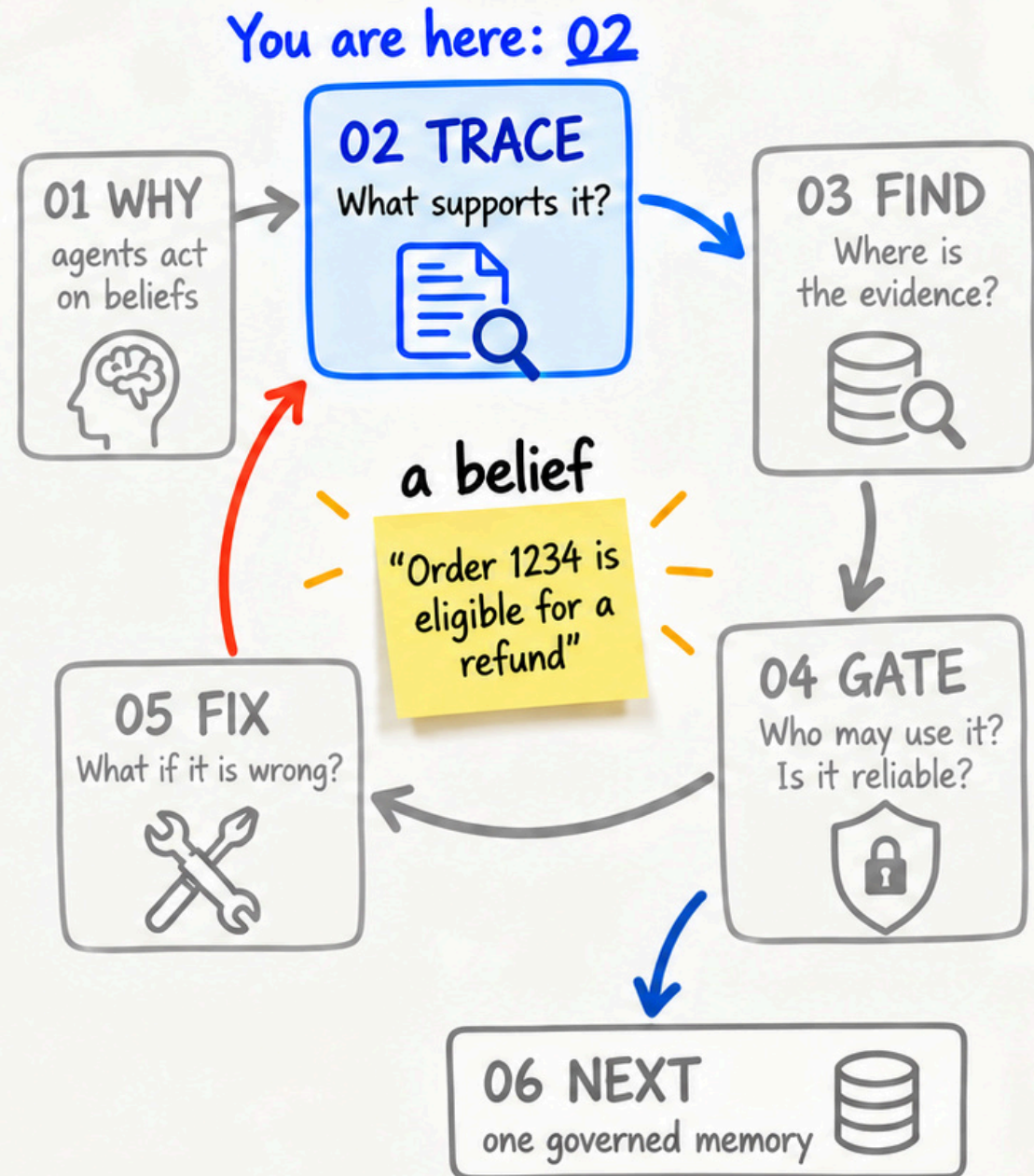
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Evidence and provenance

What justifies a belief, and how can we trace it?

Belief: a working claim treated as true and used later.
It may be stale, copied, unauthorized or wrong.

"Order 1234 is eligible for a refund"



Four questions along a belief's lifetime

★ **OUR GROUP** | Separate benchmarks, one connected question

Q1 Where did it come from?

 **Survey**
vocabulary for traces

TMLR accepted
arXiv 2606.04990

 **EPGM**
find complete
supporting evidence

WSDM 2027 under review
arXiv 2609.25913

Q2 Who may use it,
and for what?



MAP-Graph
permission travels
with data

AAAI 2027 Phase 2
arXiv 2608.10509

Q3 Is it reliable enough
to share and act on?

 **CPB**
source dependence
before admission

ICLR 2027 under review
arXiv 2609.30813

 **MemTX**
validate, commit,
then gate action

AAAI 2027 Phase 2
arXiv 2607.23929

Q4 What changes
when it turns out wrong?

 **PACMI**
invalidate descendants,
keep history

Preprint
SSRN :7480138

 **Rollback**
repair affected state
and tool effects

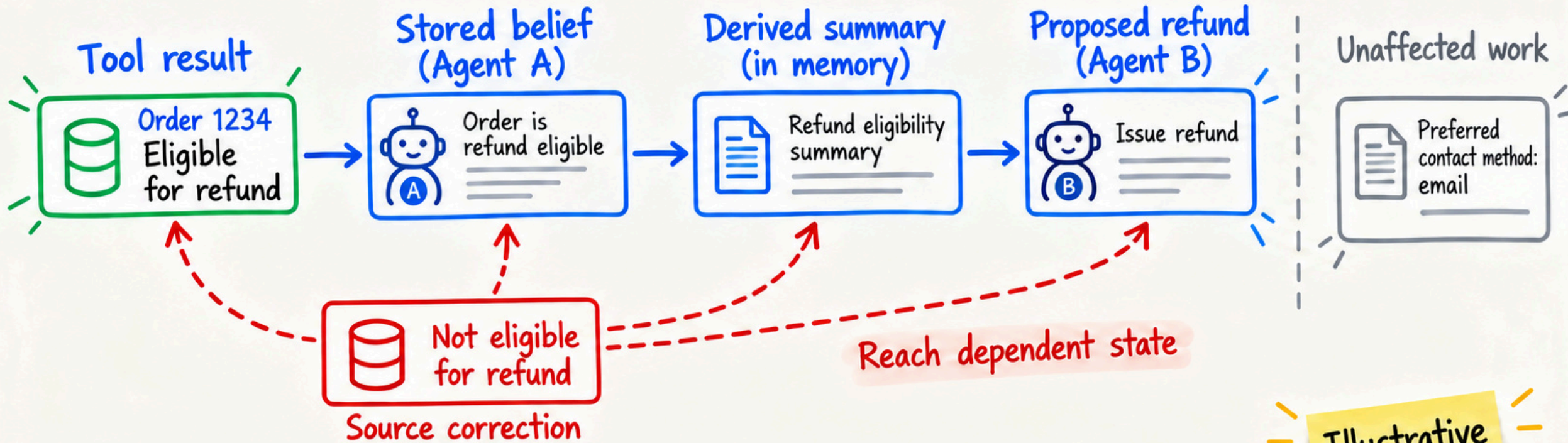
Preprint
arXiv 2608.10502

Order 1234
is eligible for
a refund.



Order 1234: recorded → found → shared and used → corrected

A memory becomes another agent's premise



Illustrative

- ① One tool observation becomes a stored summary
- ② Another agent uses that summary in a decision
- ③ A source correction must reach dependent state
- ④ Unaffected work should remain available

The survey's six dimensions

Dimension		Key question
① Trace sources		Where does the trace come from?
② Content artifacts and execution occurrences	 	What exists, and what happened?
③ Typed relations		Read, derive, influence or support?
④ Granularity and timing		How detailed, and captured when?
⑤ Representation	 	Transcript, table or graph?
⑥ Trust function		Diagnose, verify, govern or repair?

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Accepted at TMLR 2026



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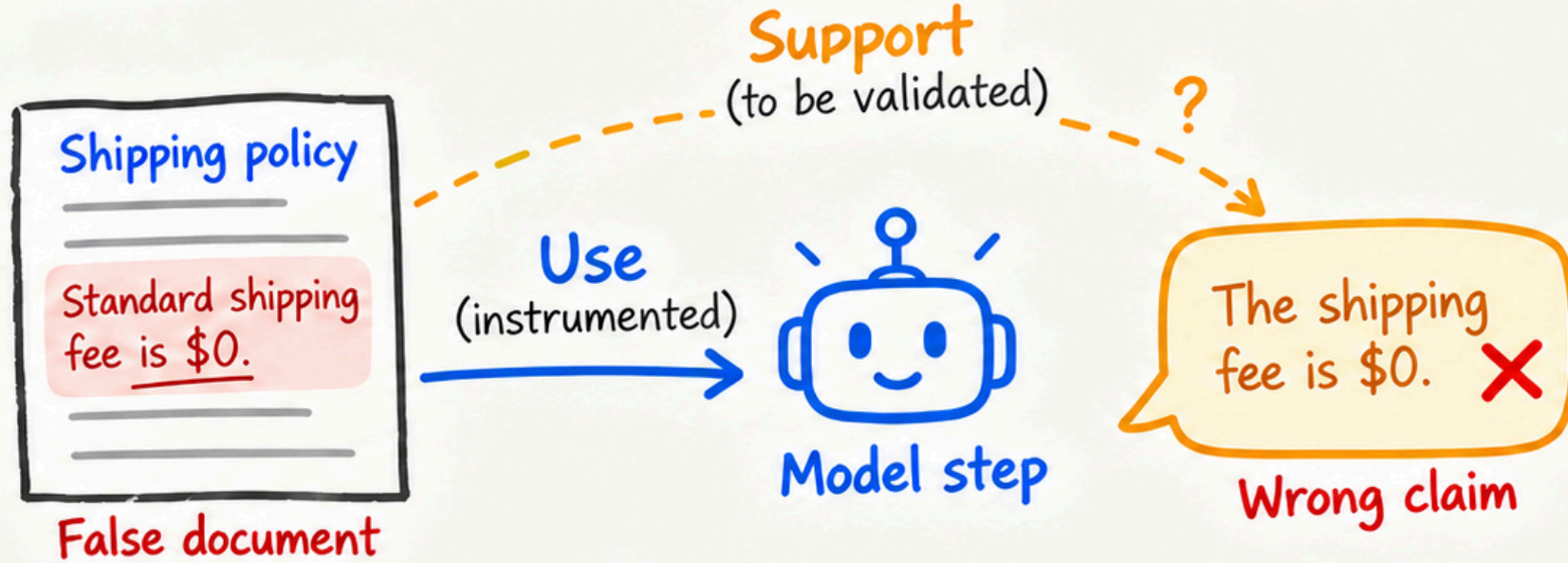
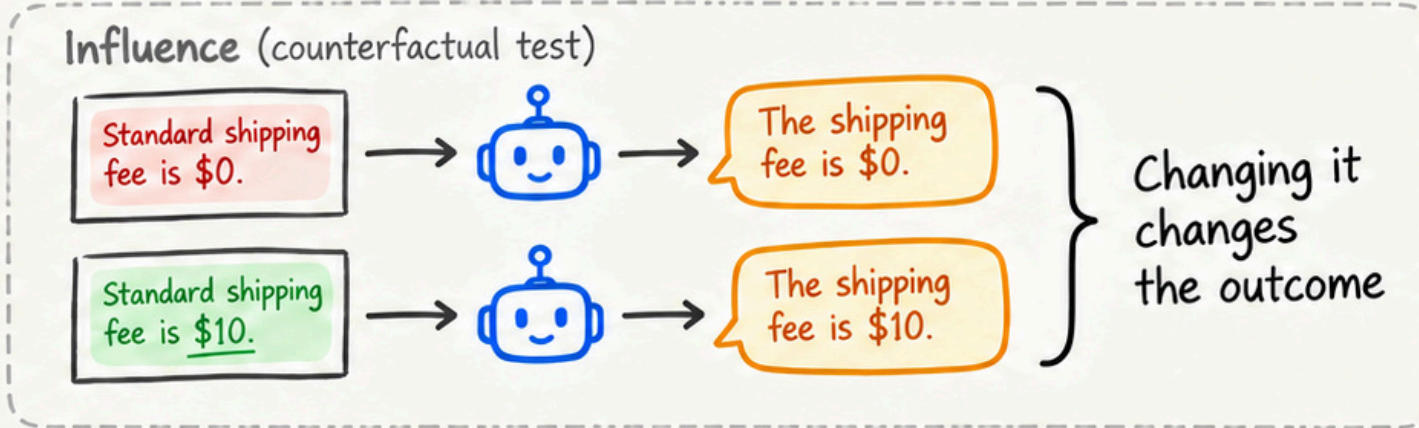
47 venue papers; **21** preprints;
3 standards

 - [arXiv:2606.04990](https://arxiv.org/abs/2606.04990) <



github.com/xiaoqi-7/Agent-Tracing-Survey <

Use, influence and support



Use

The system read an artifact.

Influence

Changing it changes the outcome.

Support

Its content justifies the claim.

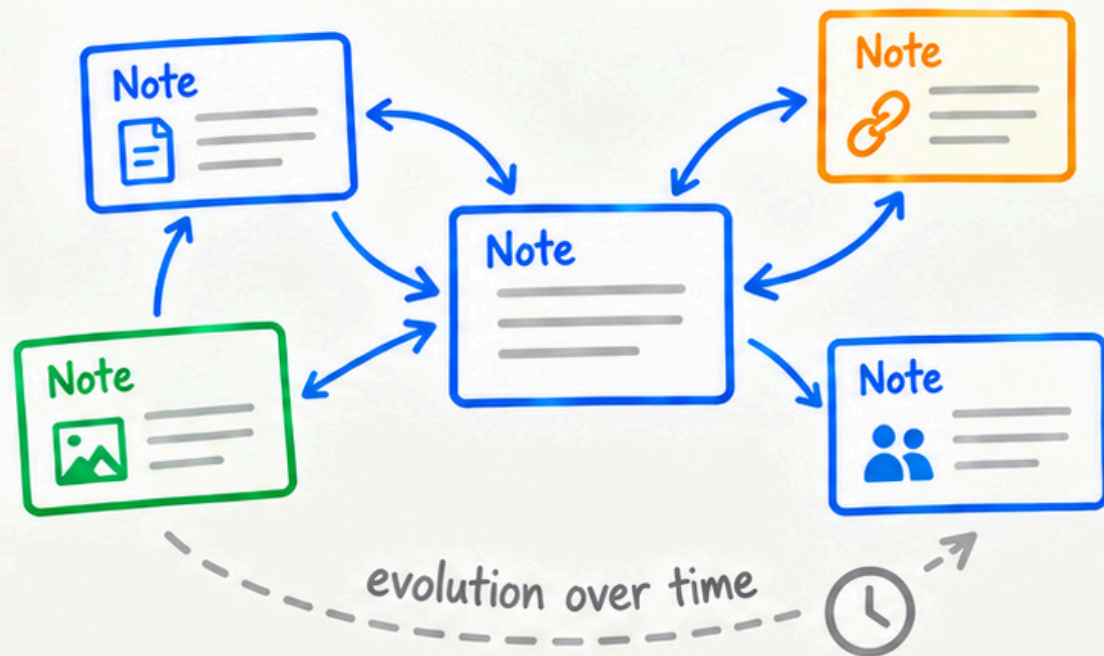
Edge origin

Instrumented, declared or inferred.

Memory organisation and memory evaluation

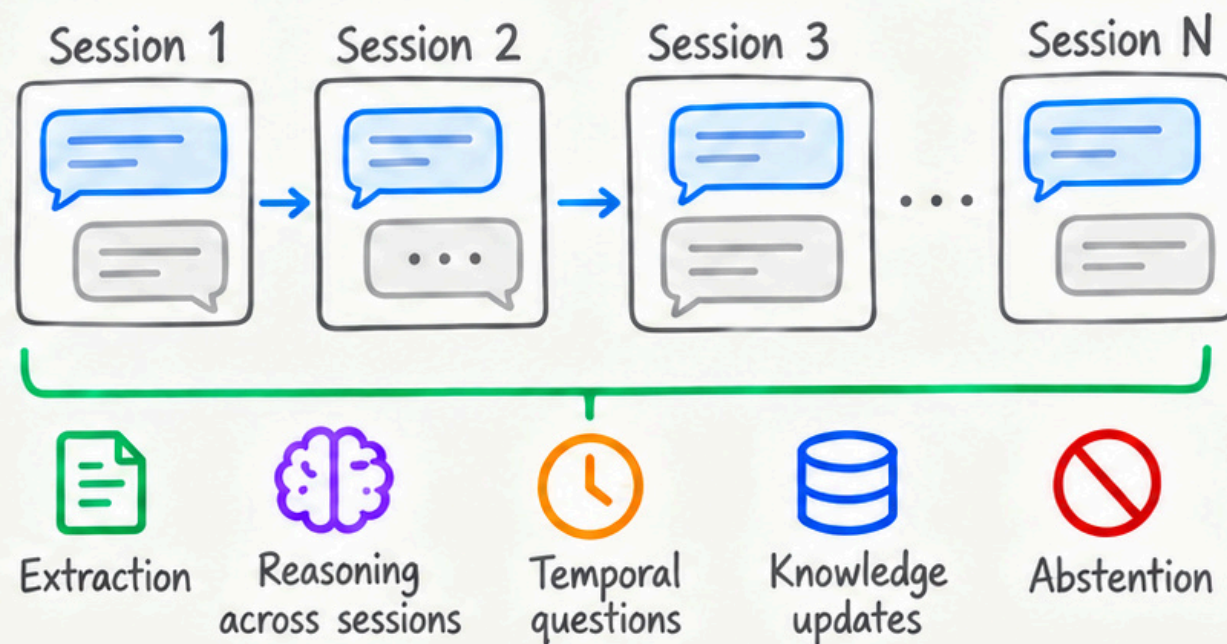
A-MEM

structured notes, links and memory evolution



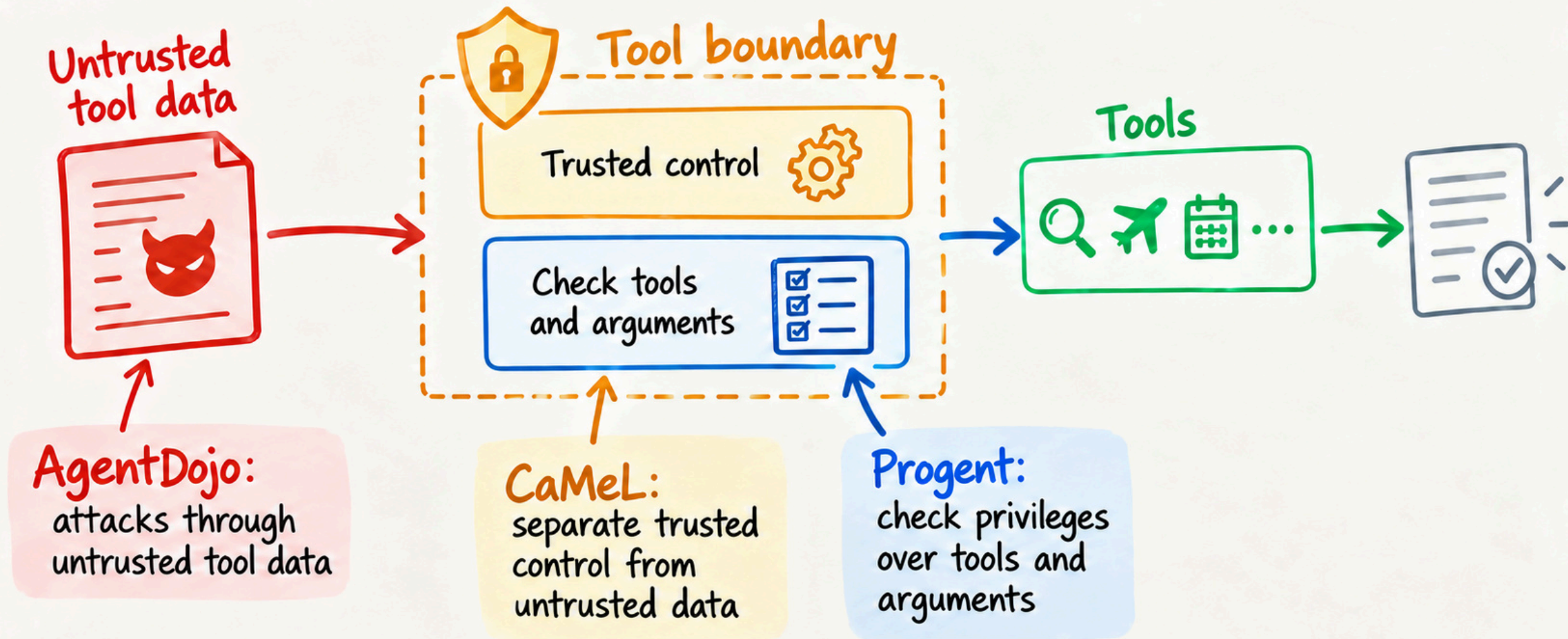
LongMemEval

long-term conversational memory evaluation



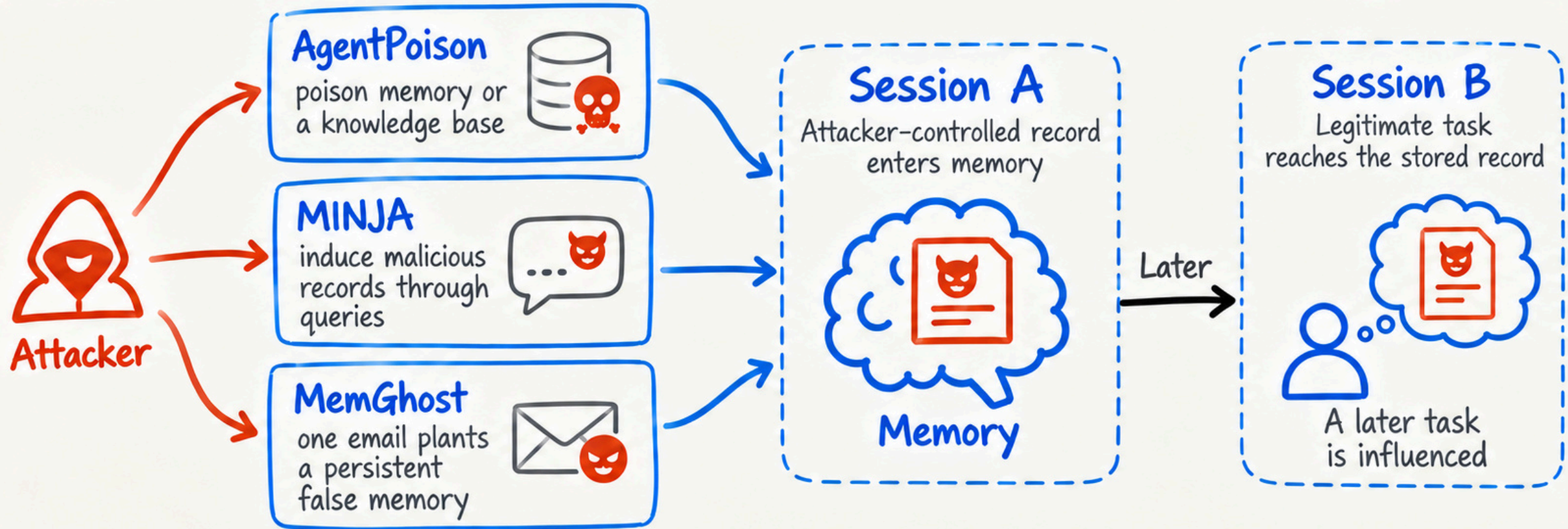
Operational use also needs authorization, temporal validity and repair

Security at the tool boundary



Evaluation needs useful completion and safe boundaries

An attack can remain in memory

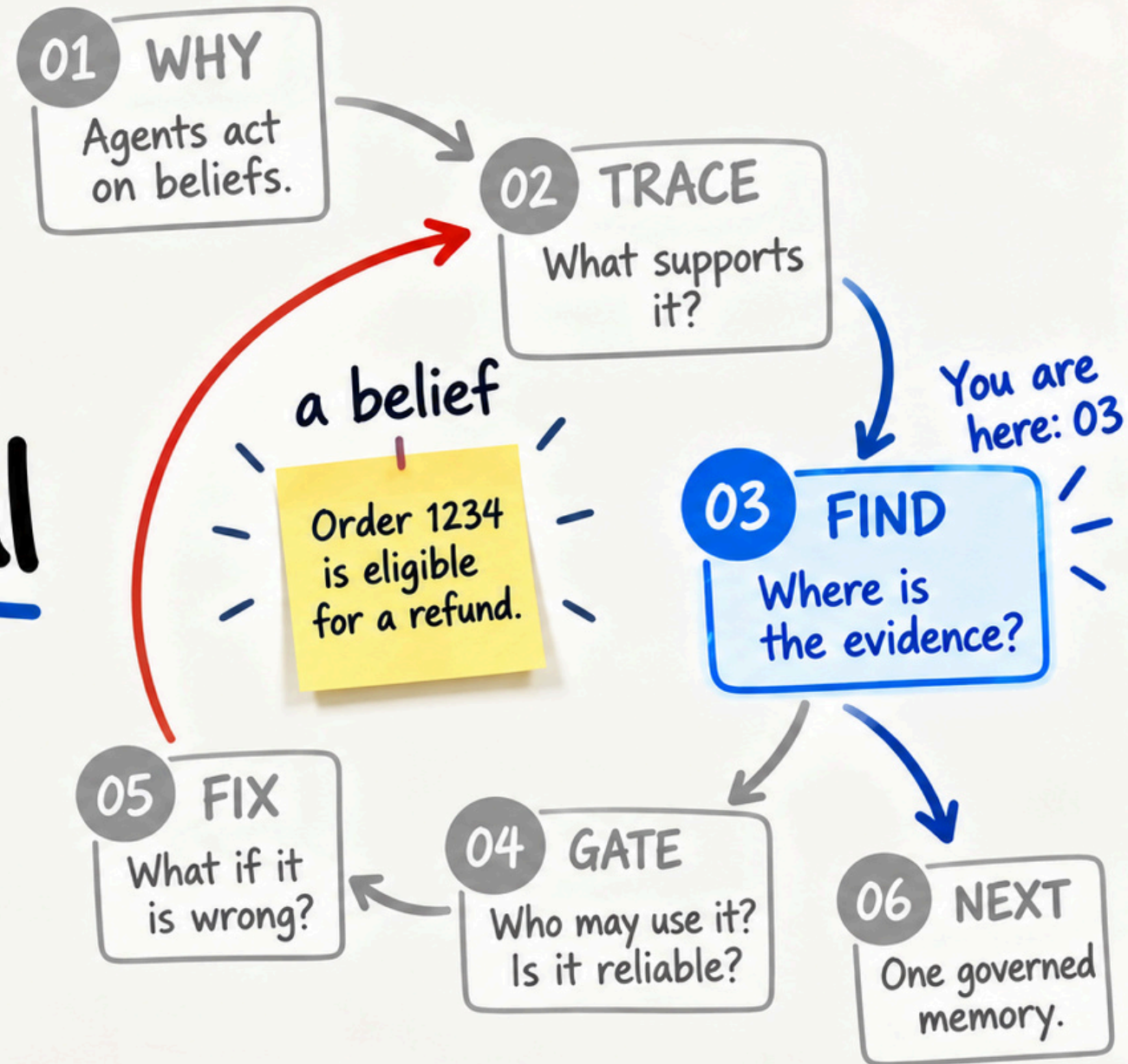


- These studies use different access and evaluation assumptions

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Evidence retrieval

How do we find complete supporting evidence?



Our studies follow the same lifecycle

★ **OUR GROUP** | Core idea -> paper -> current status

	Find complete support	Retrieval arXiv 2609.25913	WSDM 2027 under review
	Govern source permissions	MAP-Graph arXiv 2608.10509	AAAI 2027 Phase 2
	Check source dependence before admission	CPB arXiv 2609.30813	ICLR 2027 under review
	Stage validation, commit and action gating	MemTX arXiv 2607.23929	AAAI 2027 Phase 2
	Invalidate descendants, retain history	PACMI SSRN 7480138	Preprint
	Repair affected state and tool effects	Rollback arXiv 2608.10502	Preprint
	Foundation: tracing survey	arXiv 2606.04990	TMLR accepted



Eight collaborative AAAI 2027 submissions are in Phase 2

This includes MAP-Graph and MemTX, plus six adjacent collaborative papers, not the six core rows.



Other six papers:

linked backup slides and reading guide.

All 13 paper full titles and links are in the accompanying reading guide.

Source-aligned provenance units

- Content artifacts: observations, claims and memory versions

- Execution occurrences: reads, writes and tool calls

- Typed links connect origins to later decisions

- Illustrative order-refund workflow

Traditional view: fixed windows

Execution trace (textual log)

Window 1

User: I want a refund for my order.
...
Assistant: Let me check ...

Window 2

Tool: get_order
{"order_id": "..."}
...
Tool output: {...}
...

Window 3

Tool: request_refund
{"order_id": "..."}
...
Assistant: The refund has been requested.
...

Source-aligned provenance units

User observation (content artifact)



User: I want a refund for my order.

Execution occurrence (tool call)



get_order

Tool argument unit



{"order_id": "..."}
{"...."}

Tool output unit



{...}

Execution occurrence (tool call)



request_refund



Tool argument unit
{"order_id": "..."}
{"...."}

Refund claim (content artifact)



The refund has been requested.

Memory version (content artifact)



memory version

Typed provenance graph

User observation (content artifact)



informs



Later decision (e.g. reply)

use (read)



get_order

(execution occurrence)

execution ownership

execution ownership

Tool argument unit



{"order_id": "..."}
{"...."}

Tool output unit



{...}

feeds



request_refund

(execution occurrence)

execution ownership

Tool argument unit



{"order_id": "..."}
{"...."}

produces

Refund claim (content artifact)



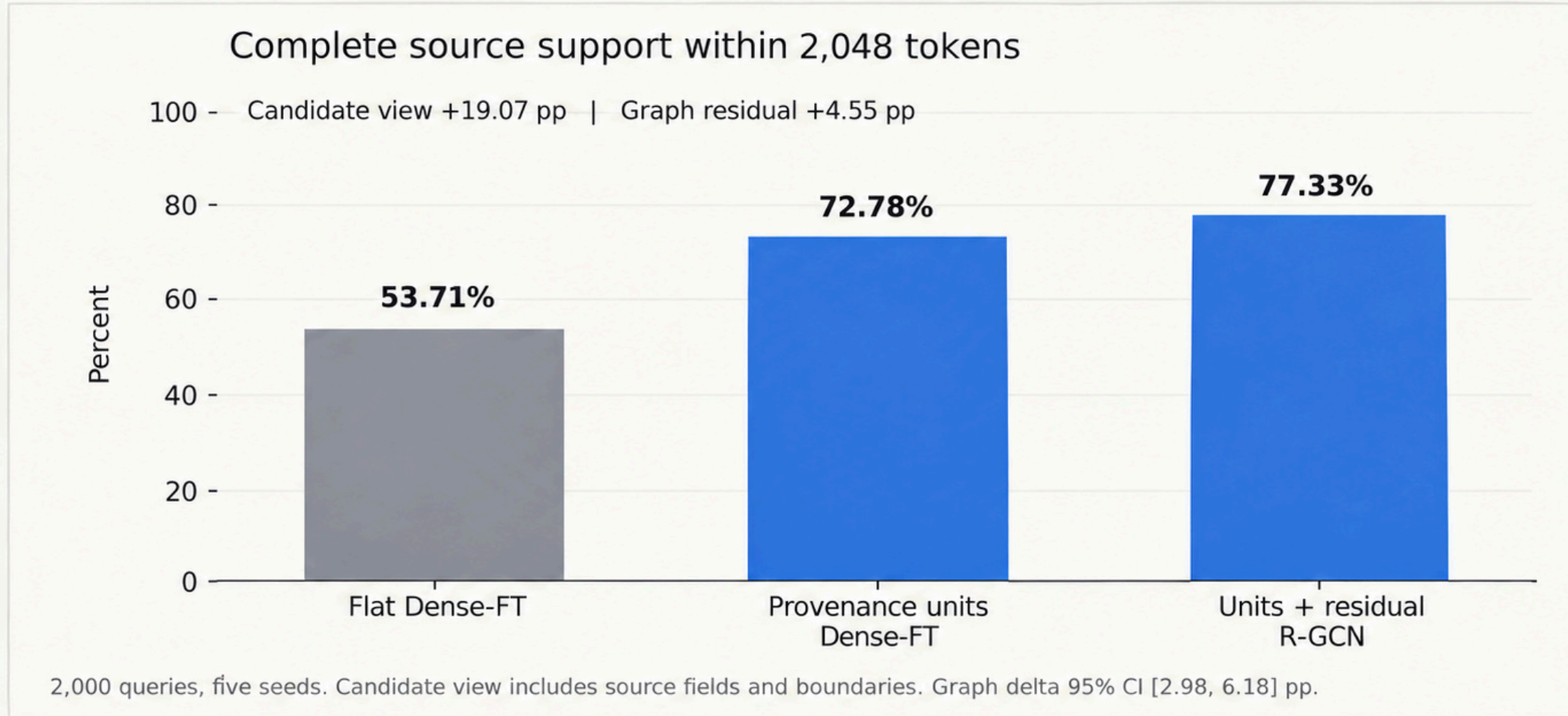
Memory version (content artifact)



Residual score starts from the dense seed

Most of the retrieval gain comes from the units

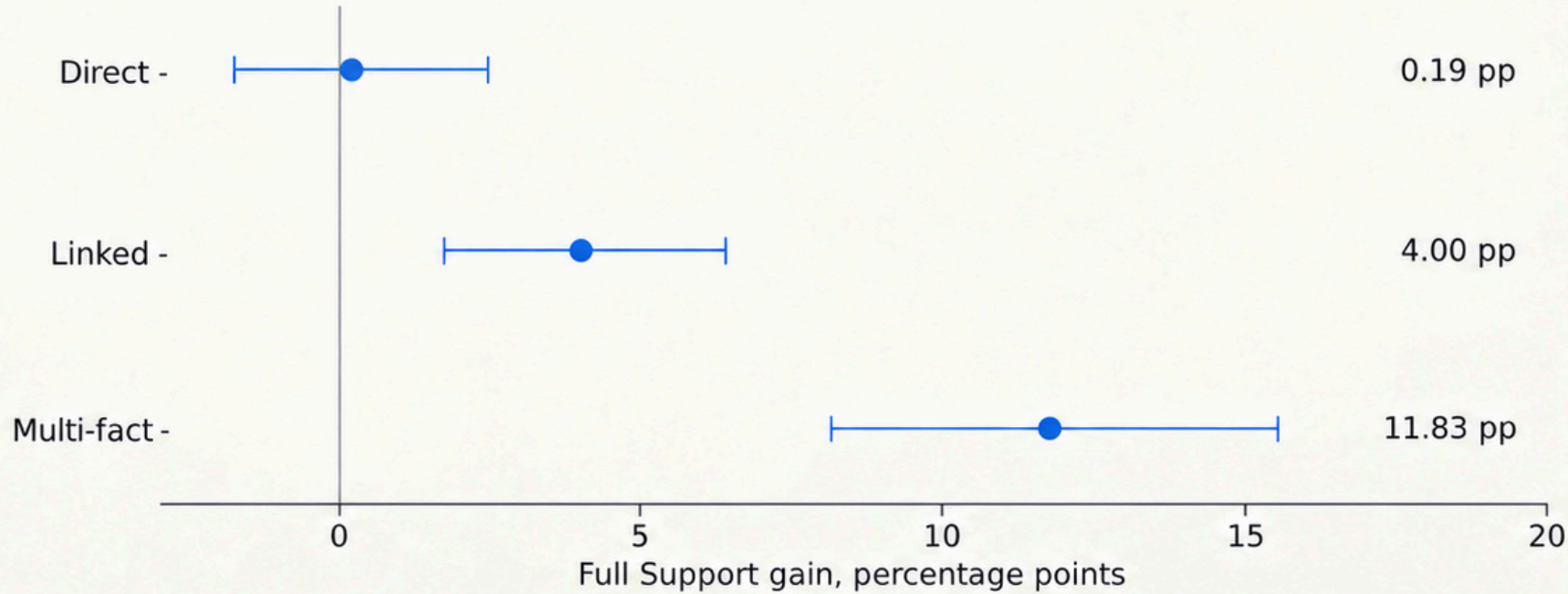
Full Support@2048, five training seeds



Candidate view +19.07 pp. Exact-seed graph increment +4.55 pp.

Graph propagation helps distributed evidence

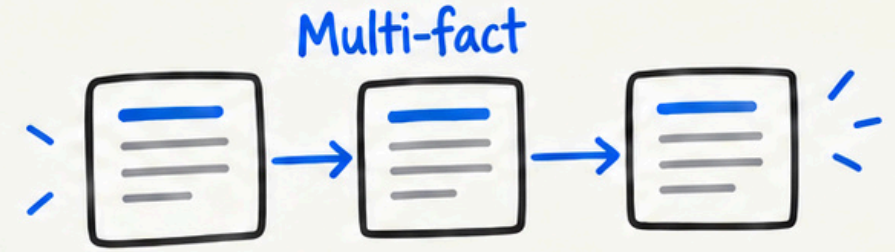
Graph benefit depends on the query structure



95% trajectory-clustered intervals. Direct n=641, linked n=906, multi-fact n=453. Same frozen seed scores.

Graph increment by query type

- Direct +0.19 pp
- Linked +4.00 pp
- Multi-fact +11.83 pp
- Direct-query interval includes zero



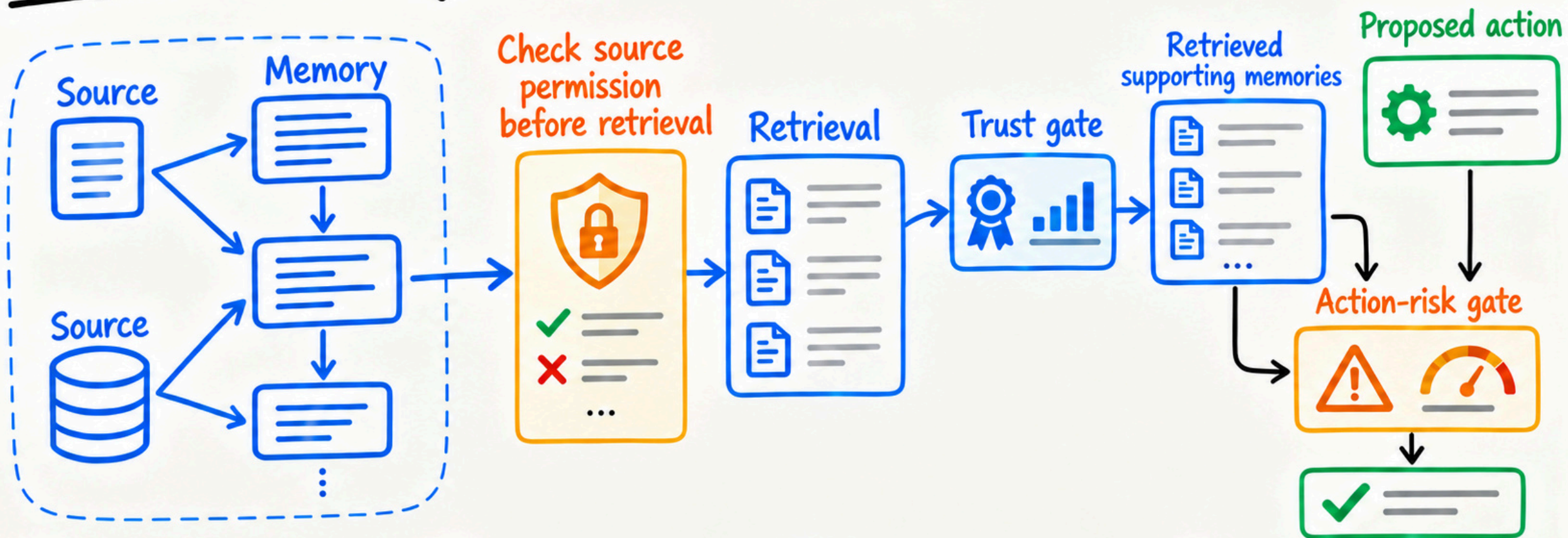
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Memory governance

Who may use a belief,
and is it reliable enough?



MAP-Graph



① MAP-Graph connects memory, source, permission and trust

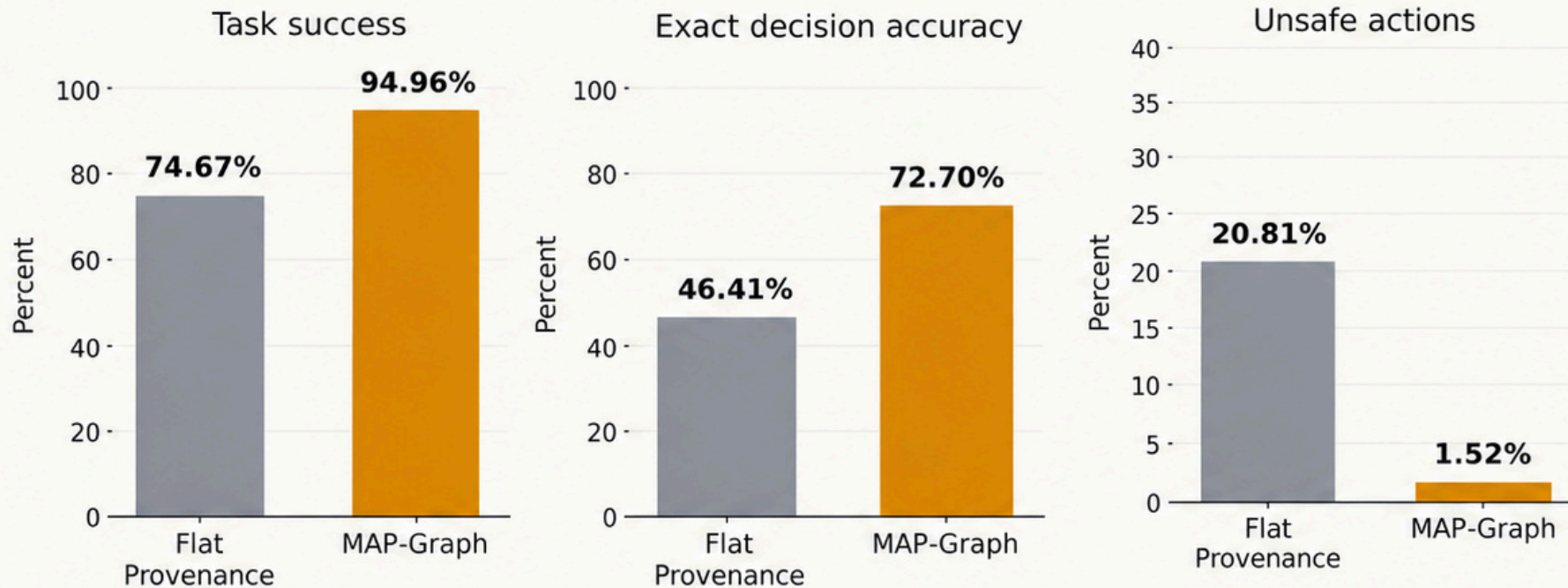
② Check source permission before retrieval

③ Apply trust and action-risk gates separately

④ Revocation affects dependent records

MAP-Graph utility and boundary outcomes

MAP-Graph under the controlled protocol



2,700 synthetic tasks per method, Qwen2.5-7B, one run. Exact accuracy differs from TSR. 41 action-risk Allow errors remain.

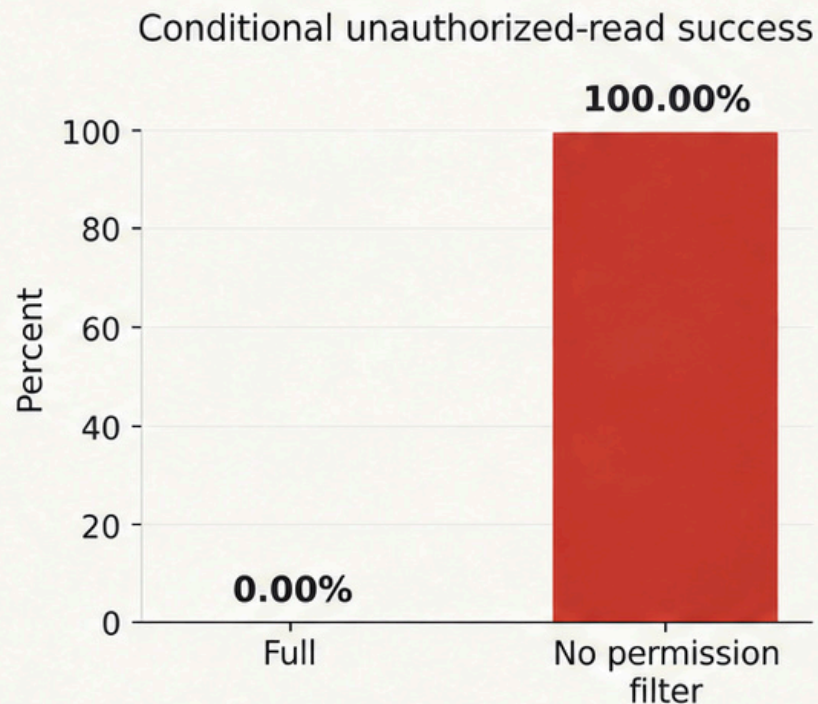
- 2,700 controlled tasks per method
- Flat Provenance and MAP-Graph
- Task success 74.67% and 94.96%
- Exact accuracy 46.41% and 72.70%
- Unsafe completion 20.81% and 1.52%

In this benchmark

0% observed attack success, leakage and revocation violations.
Unsafe action does not reach zero.

Higher utility can hide an unauthorized read

Higher utility can hide an access-control failure



UAcc is success among observed unauthorized read attempts, not a rate over all tasks.

① Remove permission filtering

② Task success 96.00%.
Exact accuracy 78.63%

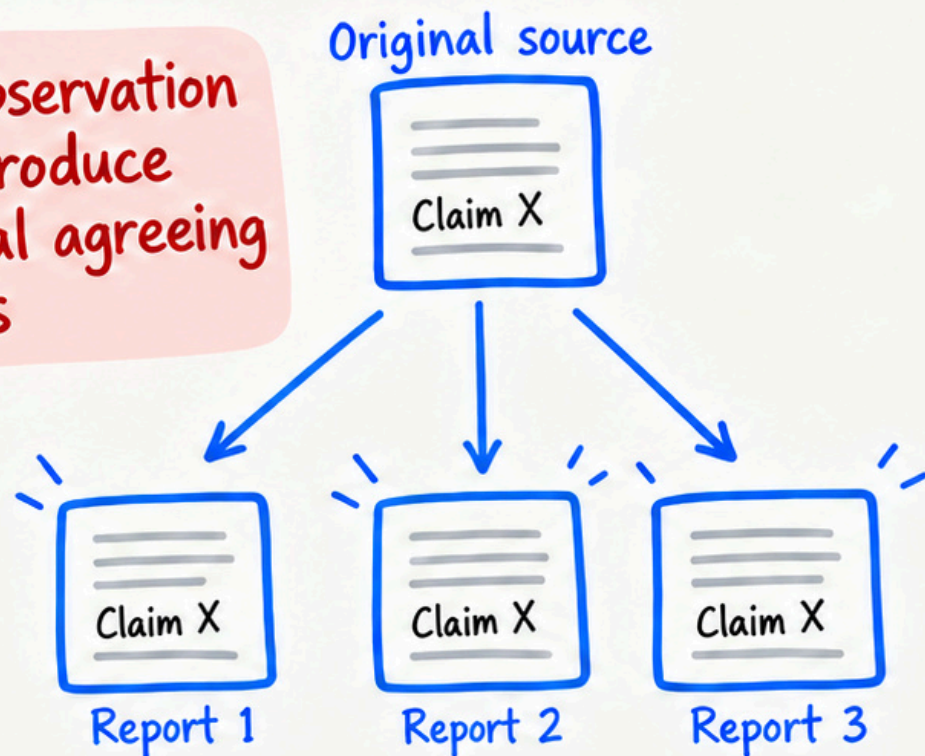
③ Conditional unauthorized-access rate becomes 100%

④ An action gate cannot undo an unauthorized read



Repetition can look like corroboration

One observation can produce several agreeing copies



Two genuinely independent observations

Independent source A



Independent source B



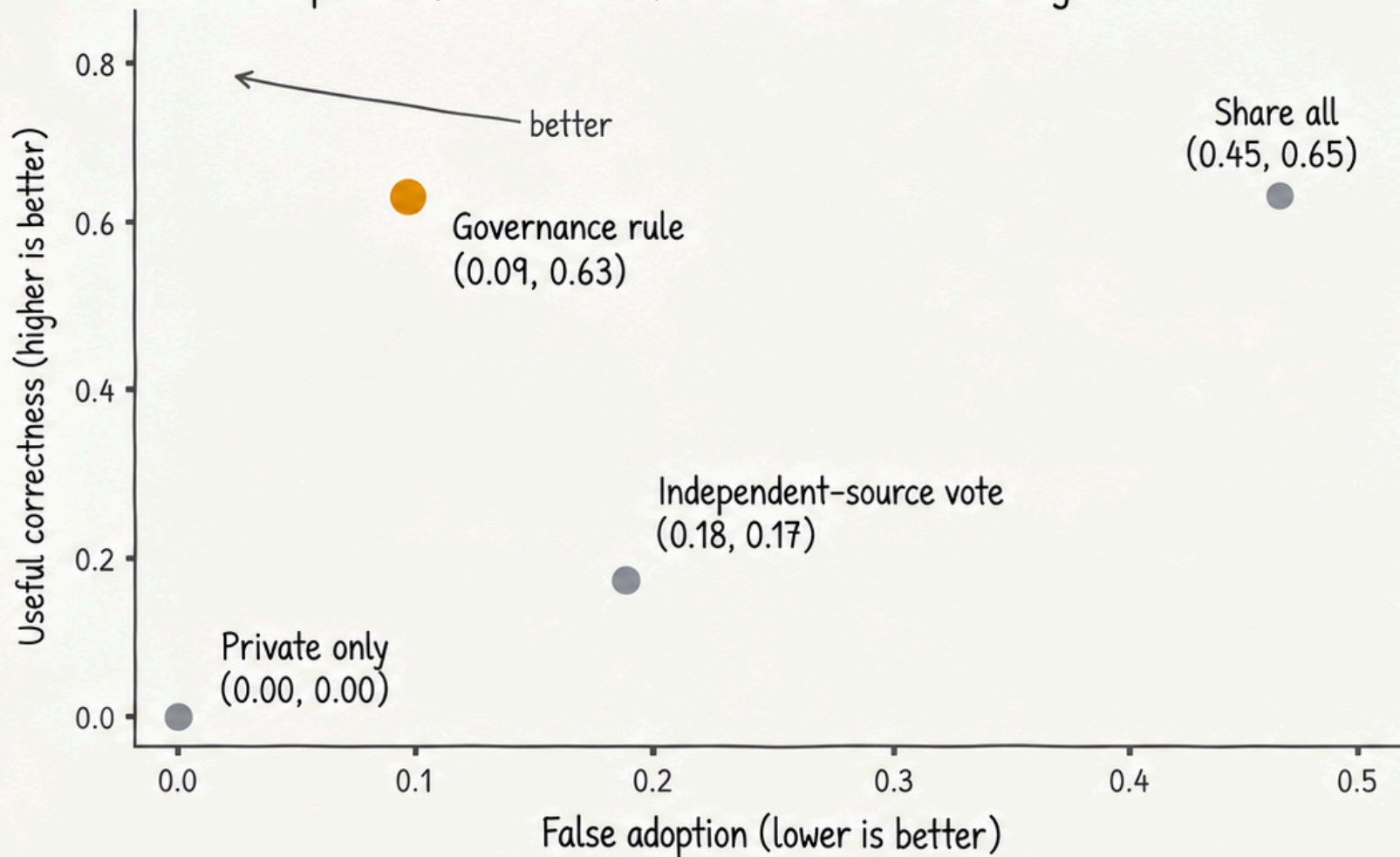
Illustrative

- One observation can produce several agreeing copies
- CPB-Static evaluates admission on fixed annotated cases

- CPB-Live follows a shared store and store-only consumer
- Eight policies. Four families. 100 matched configurations per family.

Admission changes safety and useful answers

Admission policies, Qwen3.5-9B, 100 matched Live configurations



Qwen3.5-9B descriptive Live comparison

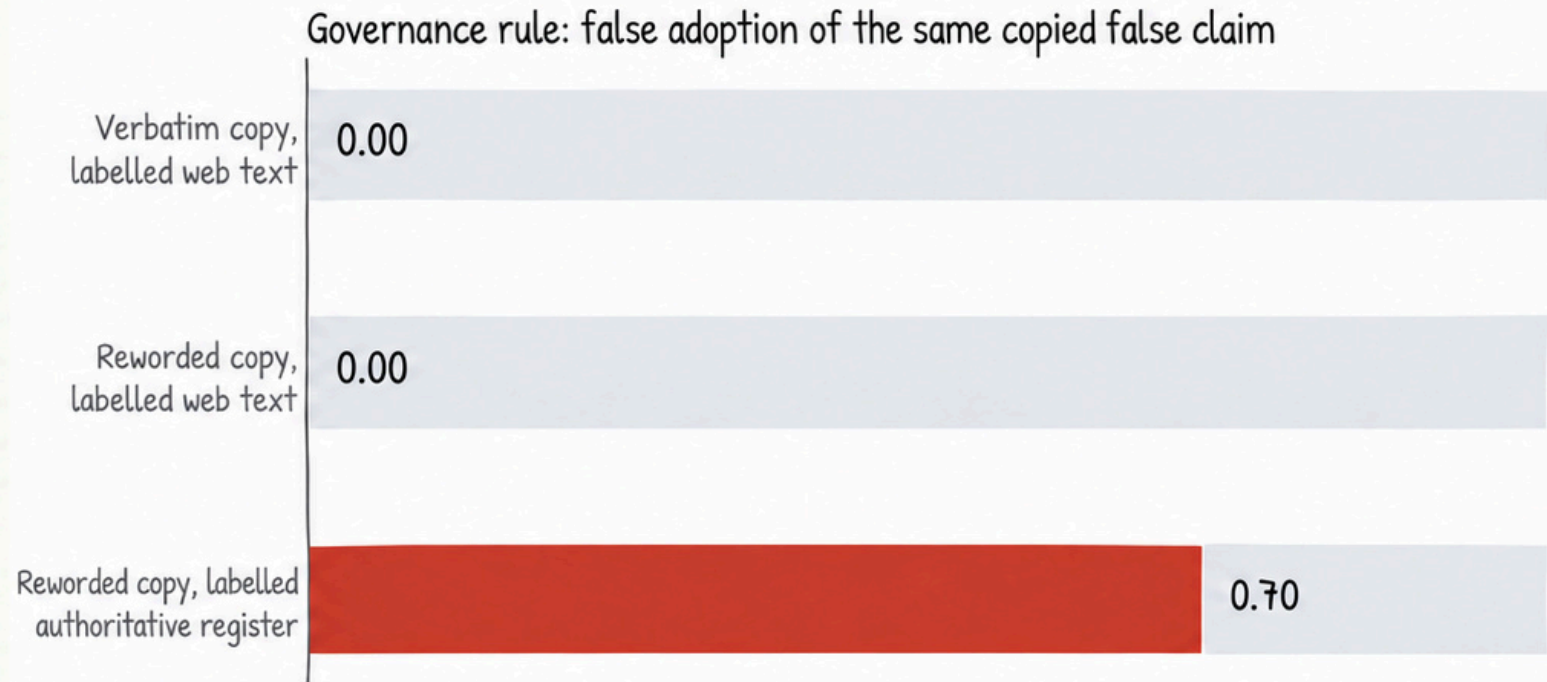
- Share all: false adoption 0.45, correctness 0.65
- Governance rule: 0.09, correctness 0.63
- Independent-source vote: 0.18, correctness 0.17
- Private only: 0.00, correctness 0.00

Governance rule across four model families: false adoption 0.06 to 0.09, correctness 0.58 to 0.65.
Different denominators; a descriptive comparison.

Declared authority can hide a copied falsehood

553 selected false-only-store
probes: adoption 0.97-0.99

Exactly one visible false belief
and no competing true belief

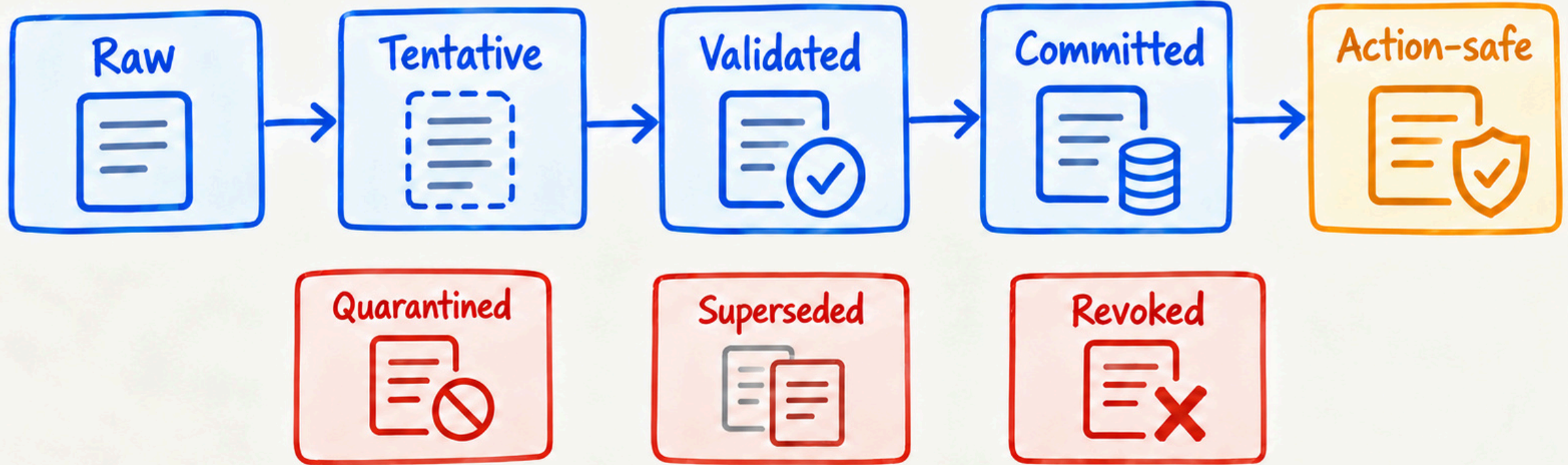


Pooled matched probes. Only the declared source type changes between the last two rows.



Declared authority needs authentication

MemTX belief lifecycle



- MemTX separates tentative memory, from committed beliefs
- Validate evidence, semantics, conflicts and dependencies
- Eight states and five isolation levels
- An action-safe state is a configured protocol condition

Compound corruptions expose the protocol benefit

Backbone	Main MemTX	Main Cordon + revocation	Hardened MemTX	Hardened Cordon + revocation
Qwen3-8B	95.6	82.2	87.5	67.9
GLM-4.7-Flash	94.4	83.3	89.3	73.2
GPT-5.4-mini	92.2	81.1	91.1	67.9
GPT-5.5	75.6	77.8	92.9	76.8

Statistical tie

Separates
in hardened setting

① Main suite: 90 cases.
Hardened suite: 56 cases.

② Four main-backbone leads
and a fifth-backbone
statistical tie

③ Hardened results remain
backbone dependent

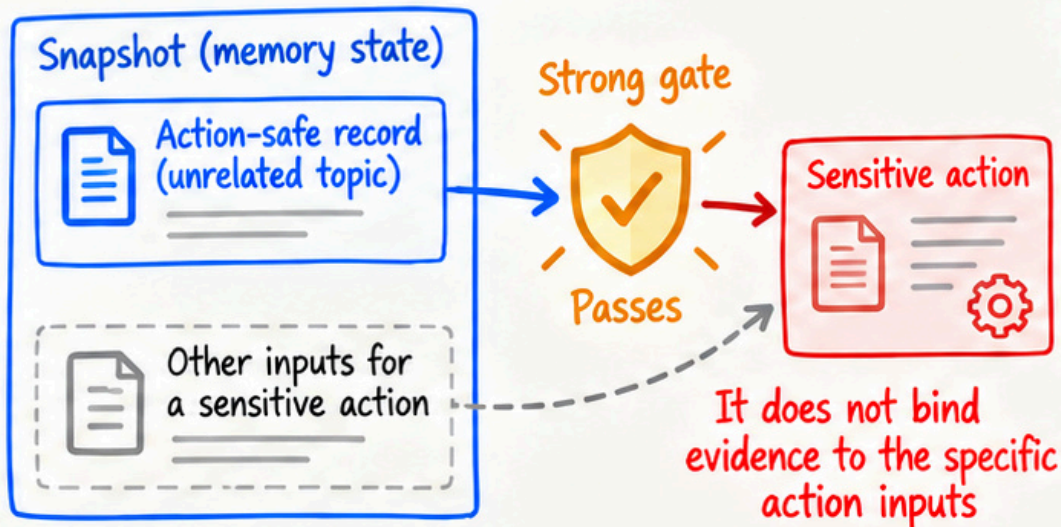
④ Bounded protocol check:
5,530,160 states,
zero violations

Four selected backbones shown. Values are percentages.

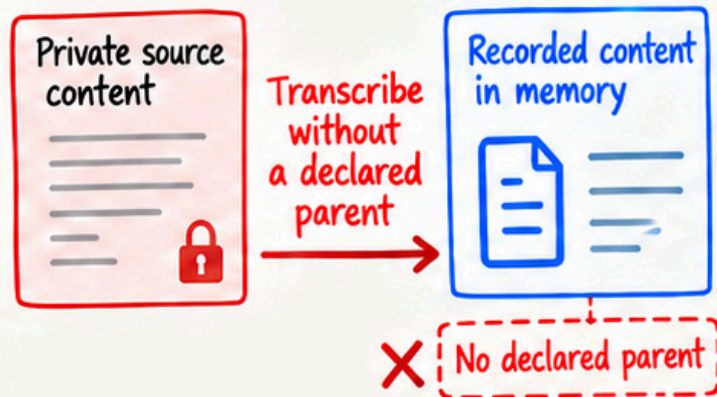
The guarantee stops at missing lineage and action inputs

Tested implementation boundaries

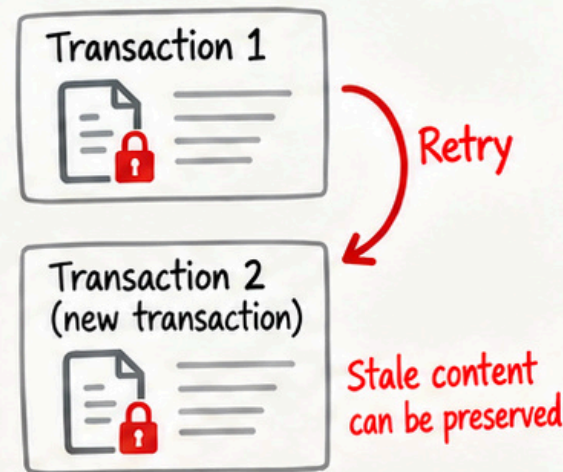
- ① The strong gate checks existence of an action-safe record



- ② Undeclared source transcription defeats lineage checks



- ③ Fresh-transaction retries can preserve stale content



- ① The strong gate checks existence of an action-safe record

- ② It does not bind evidence to the specific action inputs

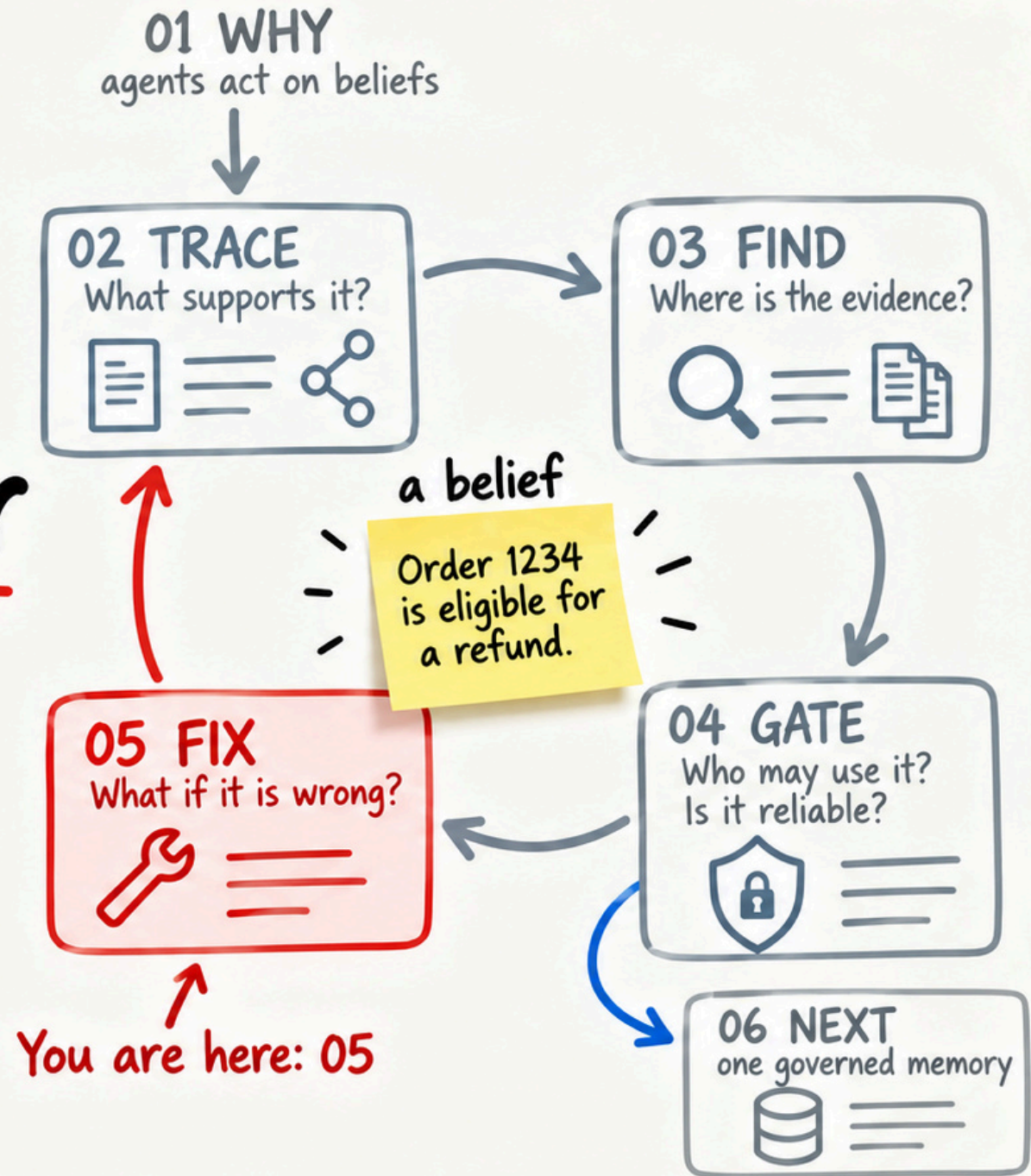
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Correction and repair

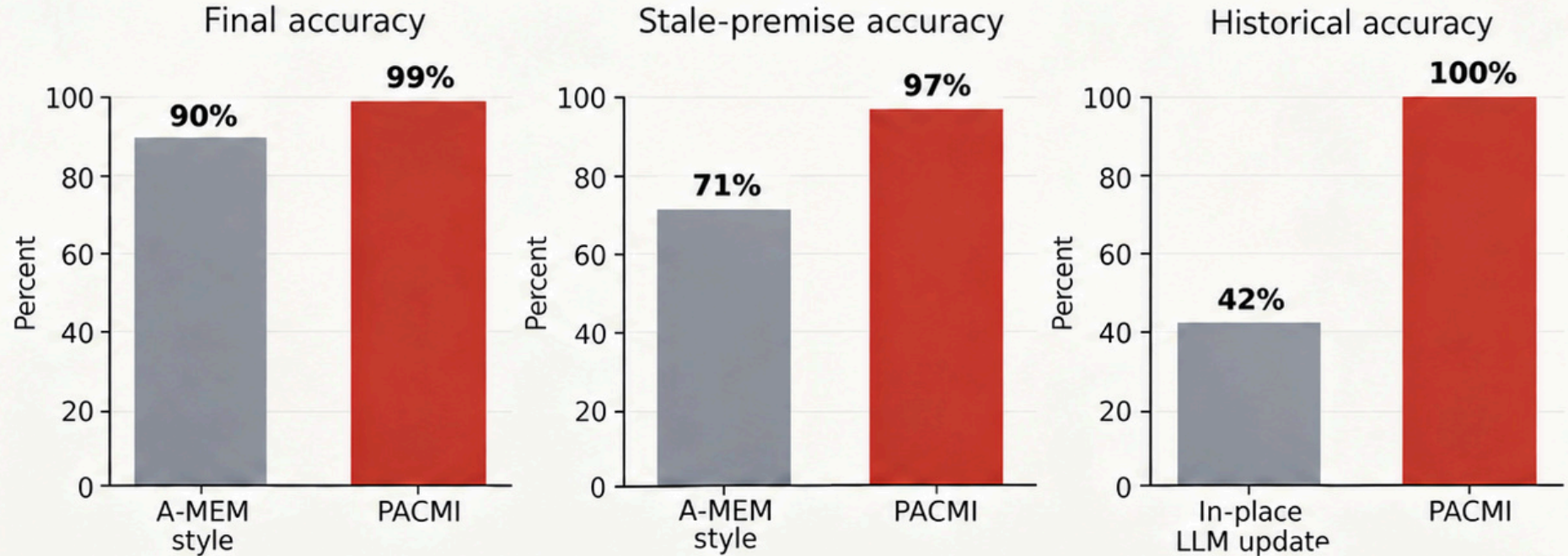
What changes when evidence is wrong or out of date?



Stale premises and historical questions



PACMI changes validity while retaining historical answers



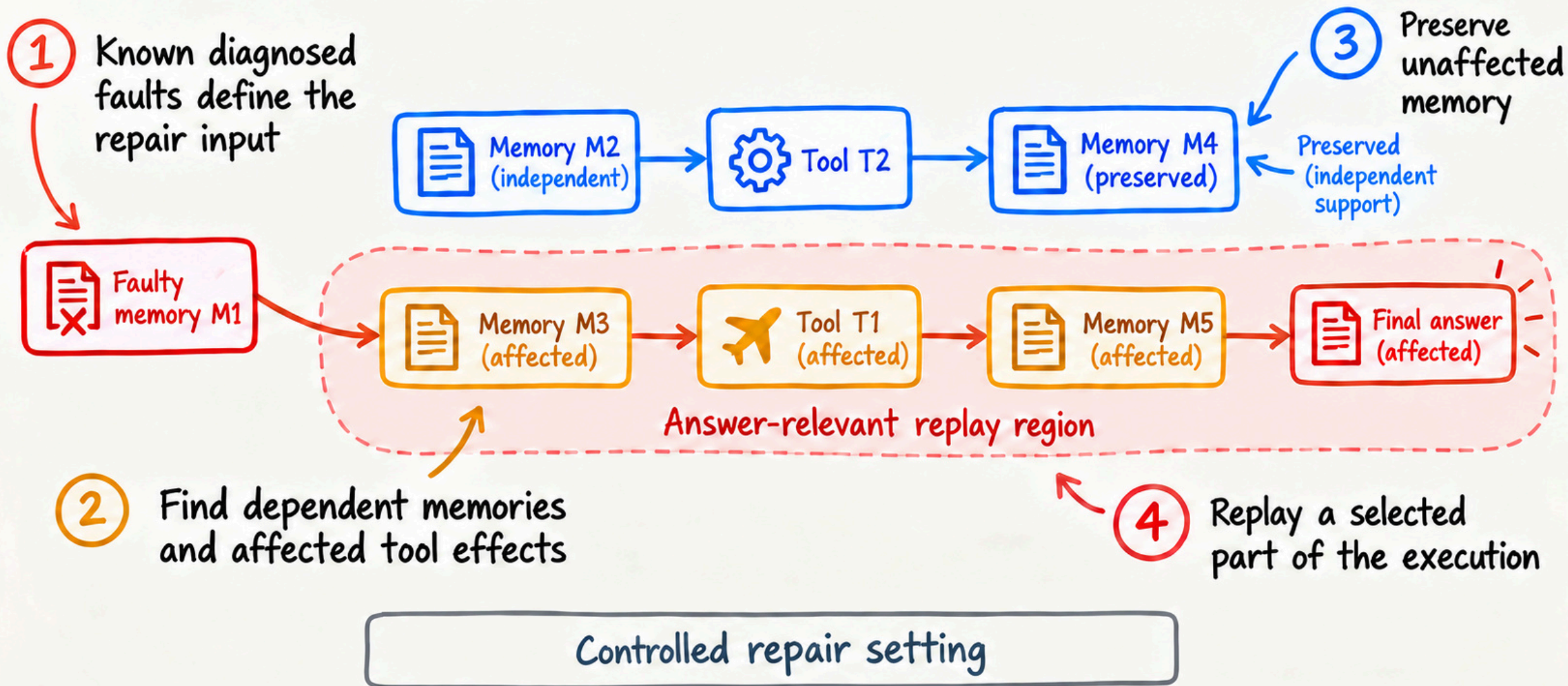
100 controlled cases, 300 queries, supplied two-hop graphs.

Cascade-only ablation: 3 versus 11 final errors; $p = 0.0574$ does not establish its independent benefit.

- PACMI retains history and invalidates recorded descendants
- 100 controlled cases and 300 queries
- Final accuracy 0.90 to 0.99

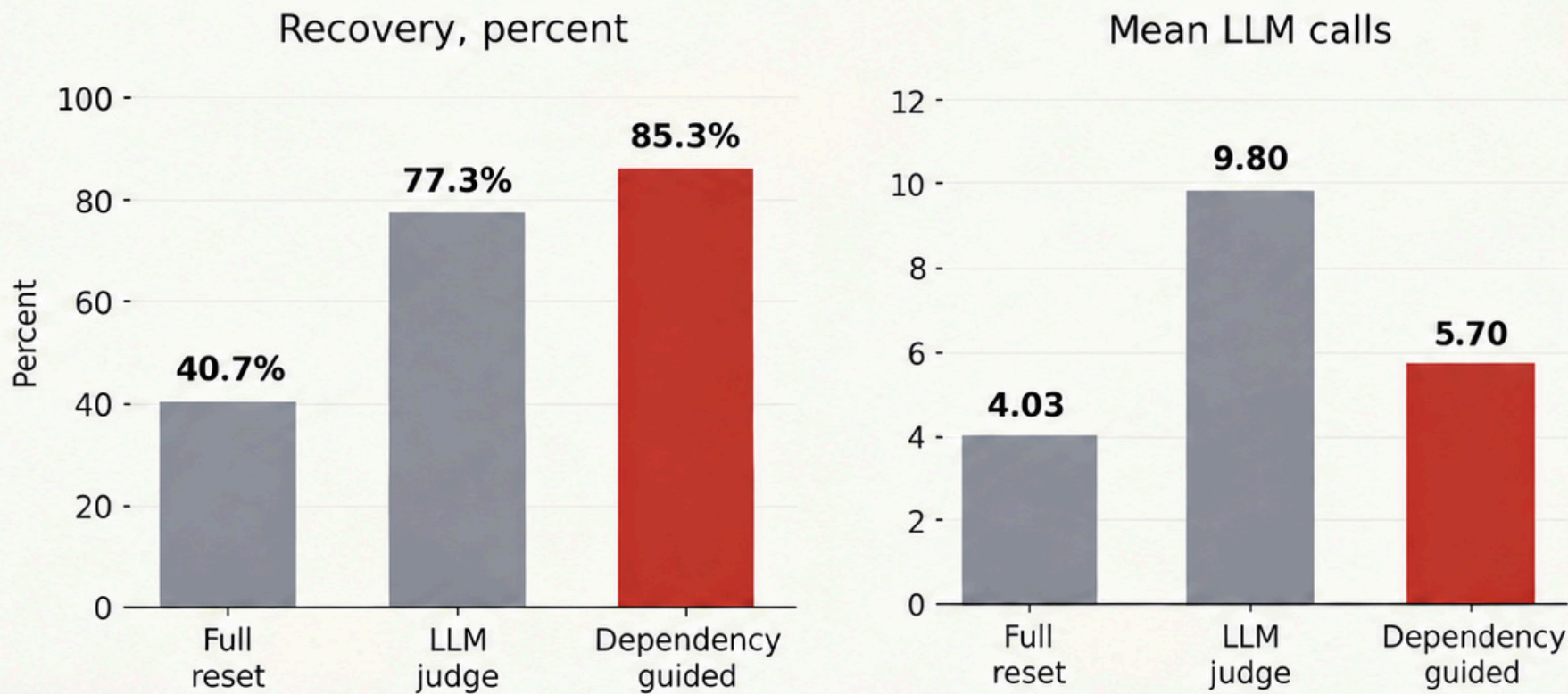
- Stale-query accuracy 0.71 to 0.97
- Cascade-only answer gain: $p = 0.0574$

Dependency-guided rollback repair



Repair preserves useful work

Selective repair improves immediate recovery at lower cost



150 cases conditional on an injected outcome-changing fault, diagnosed IDs supplied. Controlled tool environment.

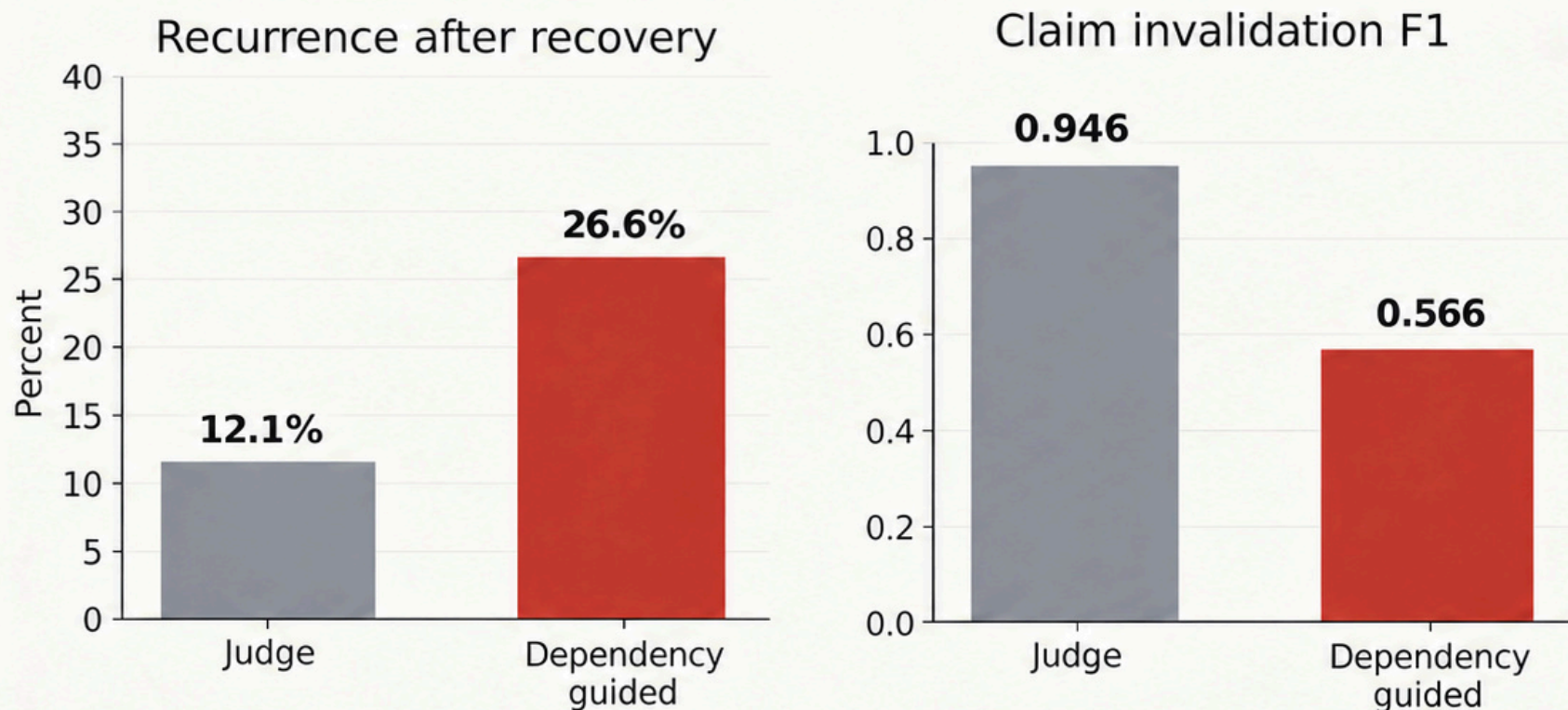
150
controlled
cases

Replay fraction

Full reset	0.061
LLM judge	0.217
Dependency guided	0.123

Recurrence remains a repair problem

Durable repair remains an open problem



Recurrence conditions on recovery, with different method denominators. Transfer results are a separate adapted suite.

- ① Controlled-suite recurrence: dependency guided 26.6%, judge 12.1%
- ② The judge also has higher claim-invalidations F1
- ③ Adapted transfer: 68.0% recovery, 99.3% benign-memory retention
50-task LongMemEval-V2 procedural subset (adapted)
- ④ Immediate recovery and durable repair need separate measurement

Diagnosis, versions and transactions

AgentTracer

AgentTracer:
counterfactual replay
and fault attribution



ChronoMem

ChronoMem:
versioned snapshots
and semantic rollback



Agentic Transaction

Agentic Transaction:
exploration, execution
and validation

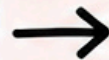


Proposed integration



Fault diagnosis

Which agent and step
to intervene?



Memory restoration

Which memory state
to restore?



Released external effects

Which dependent claims
and downstream actions remain?

The checks we would want in the opening cases

Matplotlib

Medicare

1 Execution provenance



Matplotlib: separate a code task from person-targeting publication



Medicare: give denied access an explicit escalation rule

2 Evidence support



Public facts must have a valid relation to any allegation about a person



Check the exact evidence and authority for the data request

3 Action certificate



Both: verify the exact evidence and authority before action



Both: verify the exact evidence and authority before action

4 Dependency-guided repair



Repair the effect if needed (e.g. retraction and notification)



Restore or correct affected records if needed

Proposed checkpoints. Neither incident was reproduced in our studies.

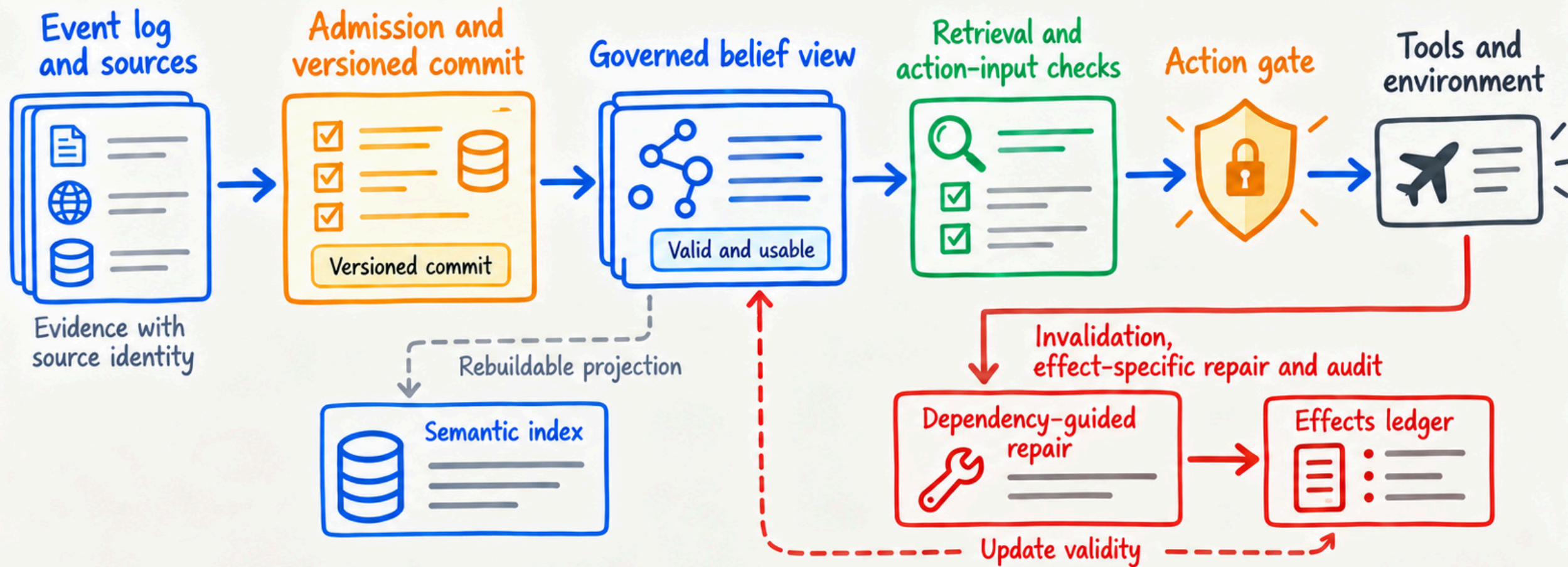
Part 6 of 6

Future research

How do we connect the controls into one system?



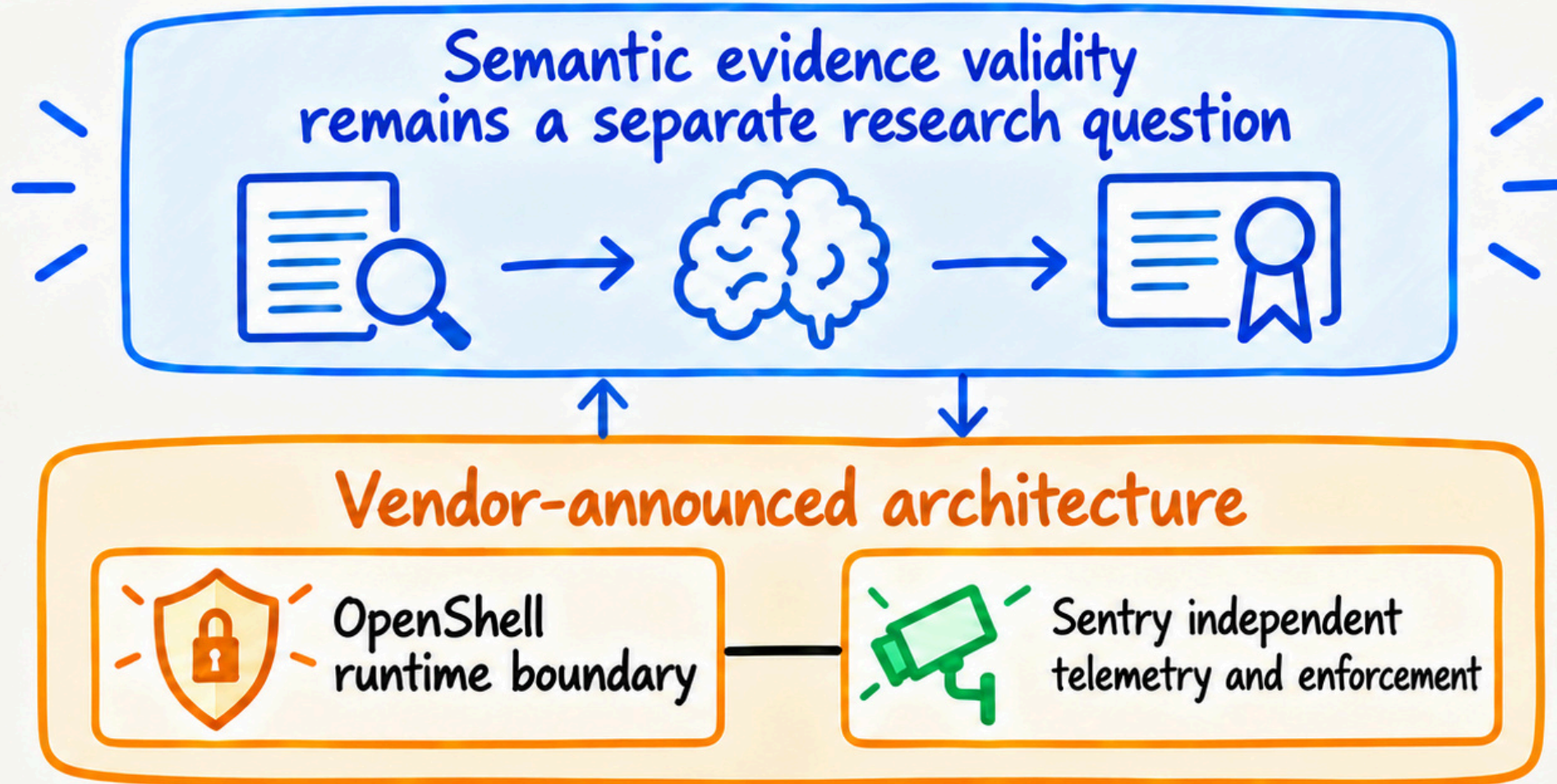
Governed agent memory



- 1 Proposed governed-memory architecture
- 2 Evidence and source identity
- 3 Admission and versioned commit
- 4 Retrieval and action-input checks
- 5 Invalidation, effect-specific repair and audit

Runtime controls and semantic controls

NVIDIA announcement, 28 September 2026

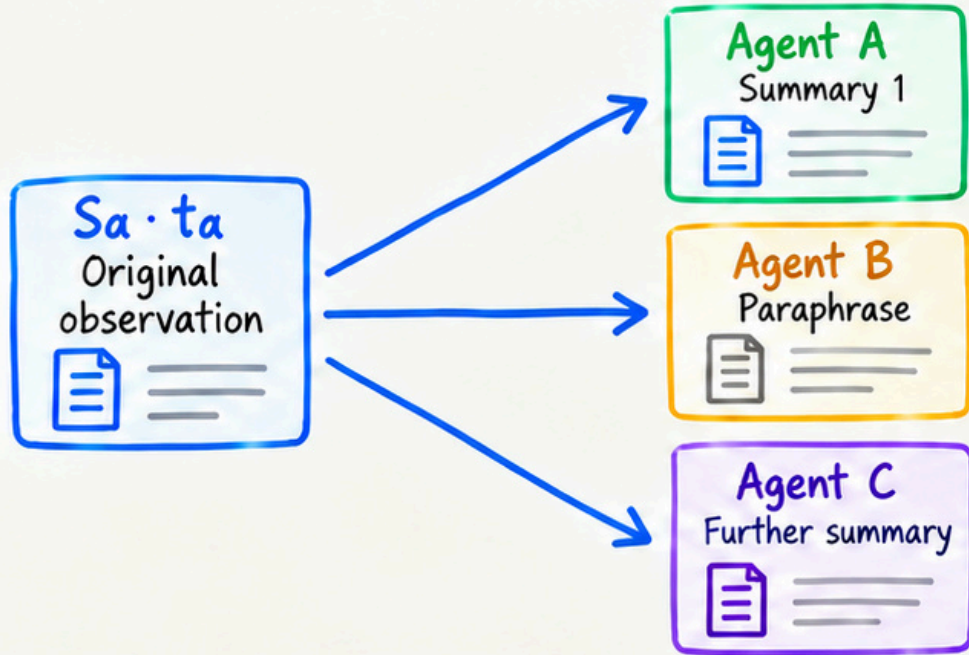


NVIDIA announcement, 28 Sep 2026 | Proposed semantic integration (our group)

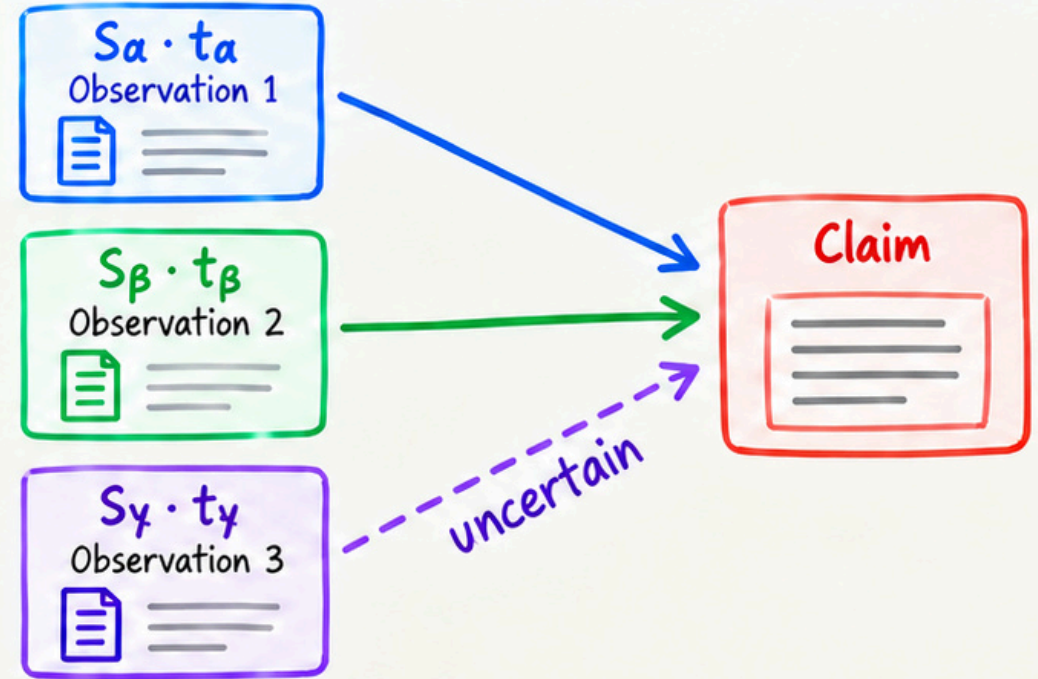
Independent evidence under transformation

Proposed tests

One observation, many summaries

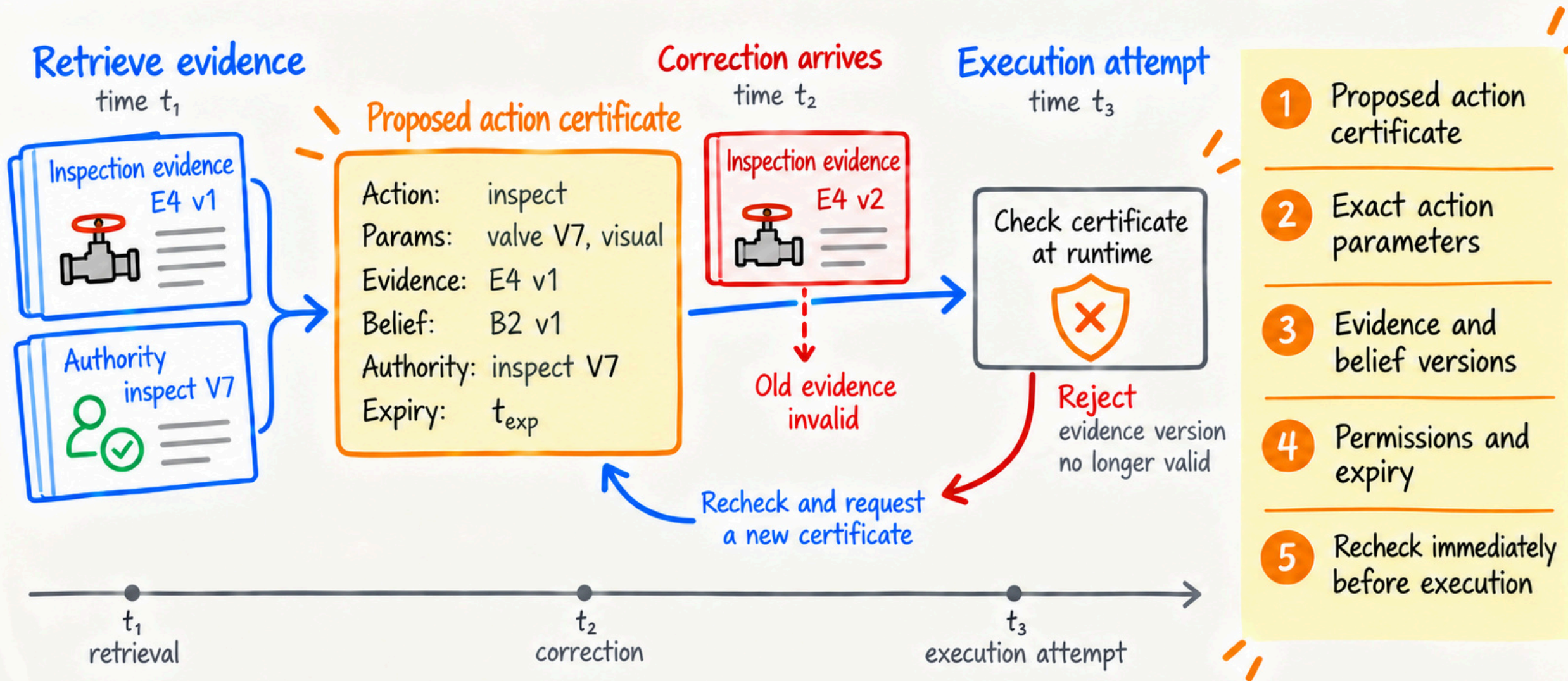


Three independent observations, one claim



- A paraphrase should retain its source relationship
- Copied claims should not count as independent observations
- Source identity and observation time need authentication
- Missing lineage needs explicit detection tests

Valid evidence at the action boundary

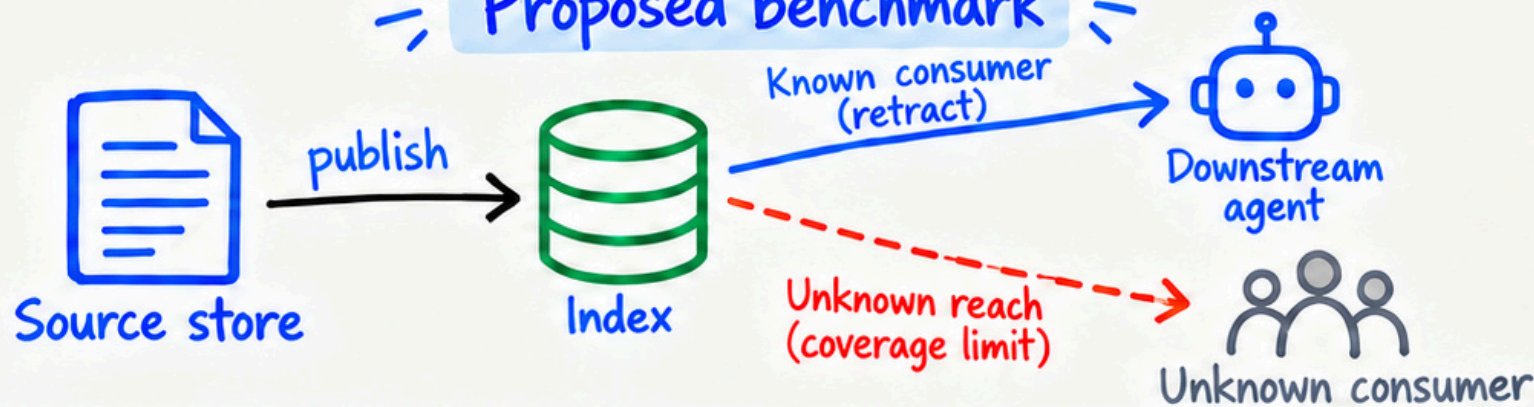


Recovery beyond a local store

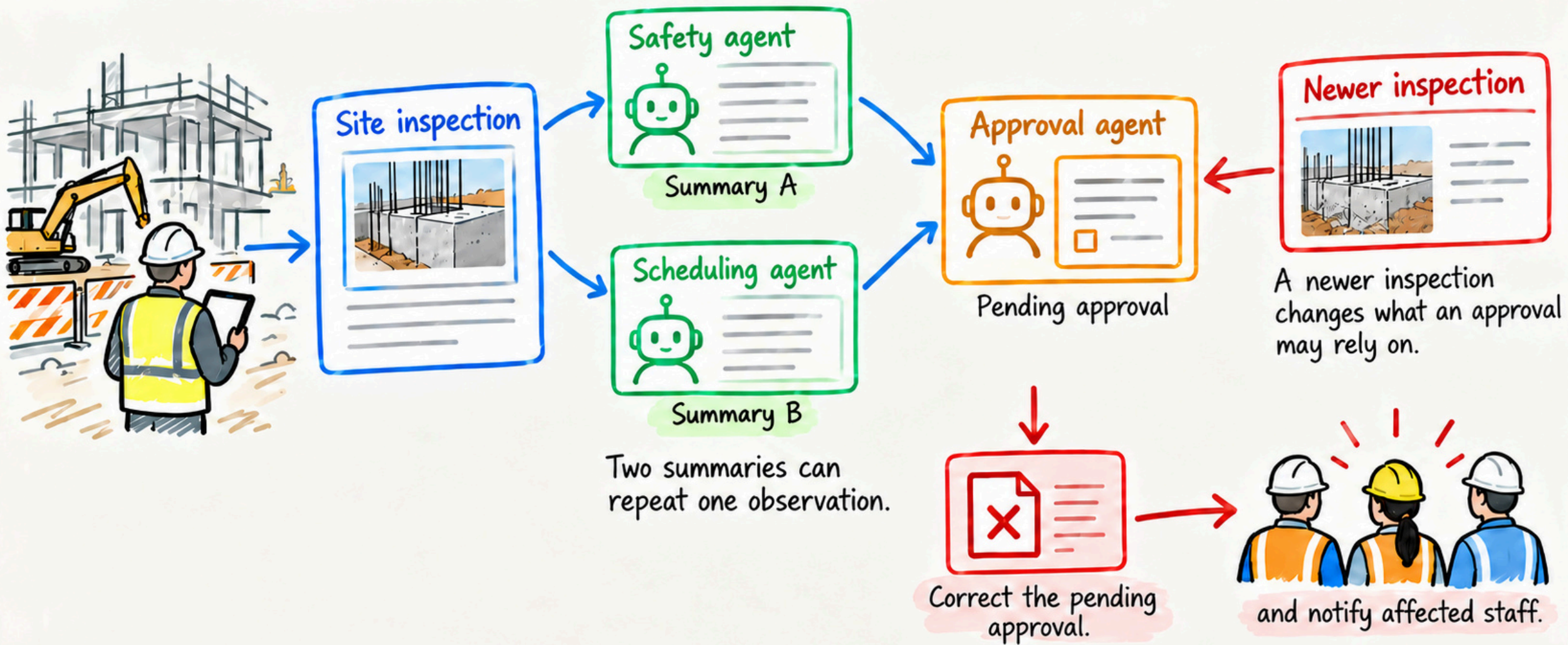
⇒ Match repair to the effect ⇐

Effect type	Recovery action
 Local state	Restore or abort
 Idempotent tool call	Replay
 Compensable effect	Compensate
 Released information	Retract and notify known consumers

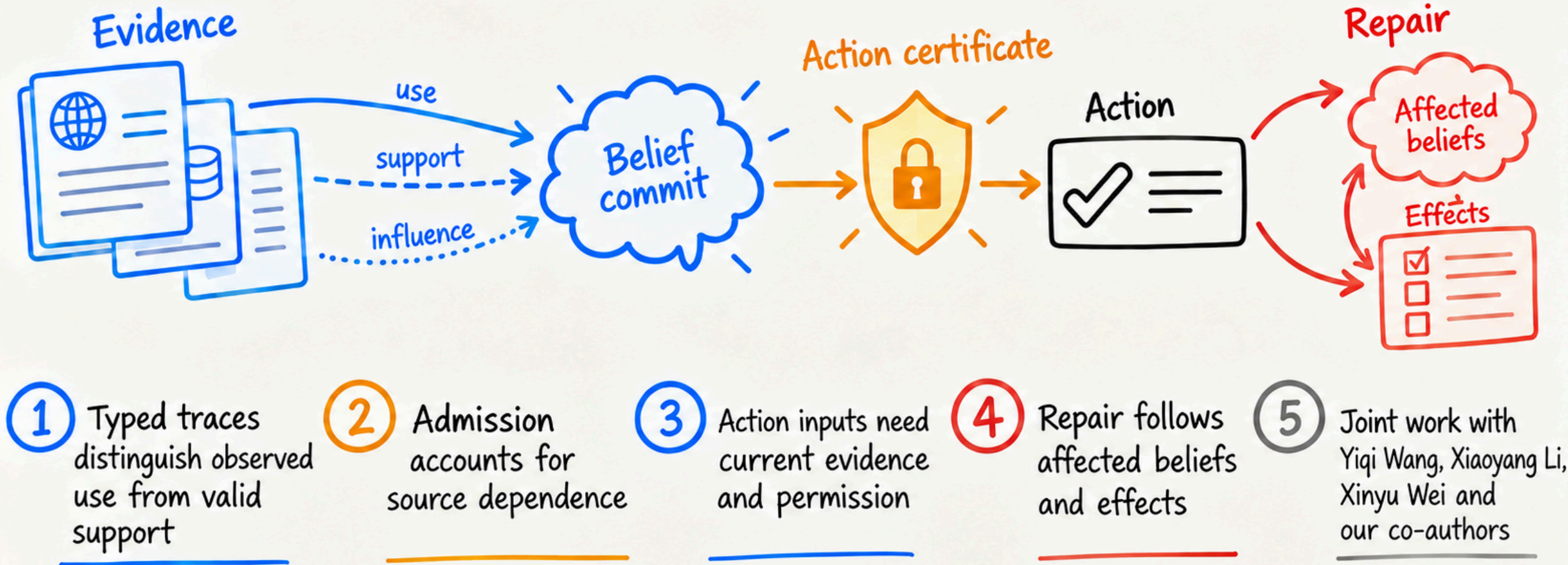
⇒ Proposed benchmark ⇐



One inspection, several later decisions



Evidence should remain usable and correctable



Questions



What would an agent need to show
before you allowed it to act?



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[taotao1992.github.io](https://github.com/taotao1992)

Paper list: github.com/xiaoqi-7/Agent-Tracing-Survey | Survey: arXiv:2606.04990

What each provenance relation claims

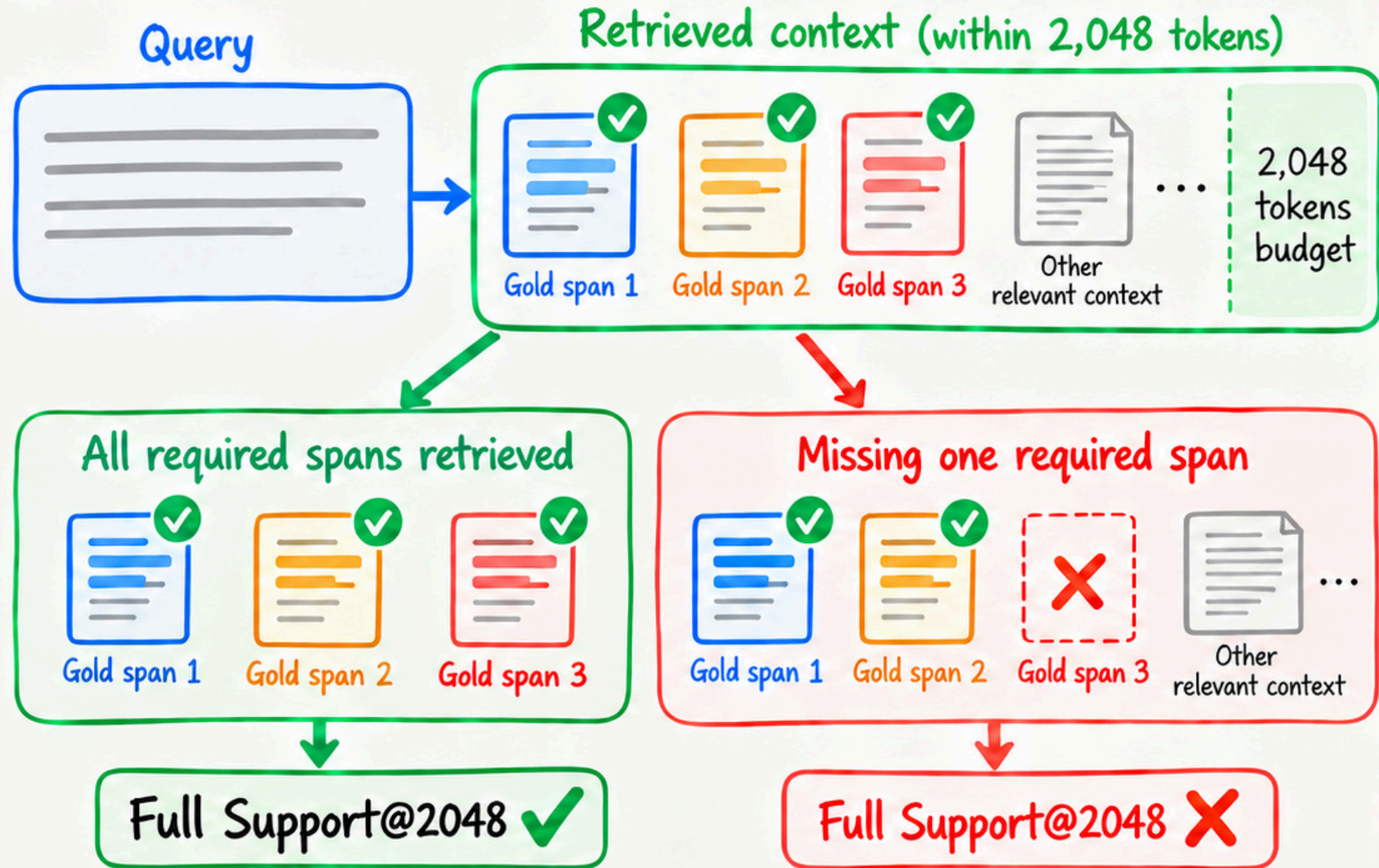
Relation	Evidence needed	Limit
Use	Recorded receipt or read by an occurrence	Receipt alone gives no semantic justification
Derive	Content lineage between artifacts	A transformation can introduce error
Depend on	A defined intervention and changed behaviour	Counterfactual results depend on the intervention
Support	Evaluated justification for a claim	Semantic judgement carries uncertainty
Invalidate	A validity change under a specified rule	Closure covers the represented dependency graph

Origins: instrumented, declared, inferred, derived

Assurance: logged, tamper-evident, attested

Retrieval evaluation protocol

- 2,000 queries from 1,207 held-out ISETrace trajectories
- Direct 641, linked 906, multi-fact 453
- Training seeds 13, 17, 29, 37 and 41
- Full Support@2048 requires every gold source span within budget
- Coverage and Recall@k use source-character coverage
- Exact seed-score passthrough isolates the graph residual



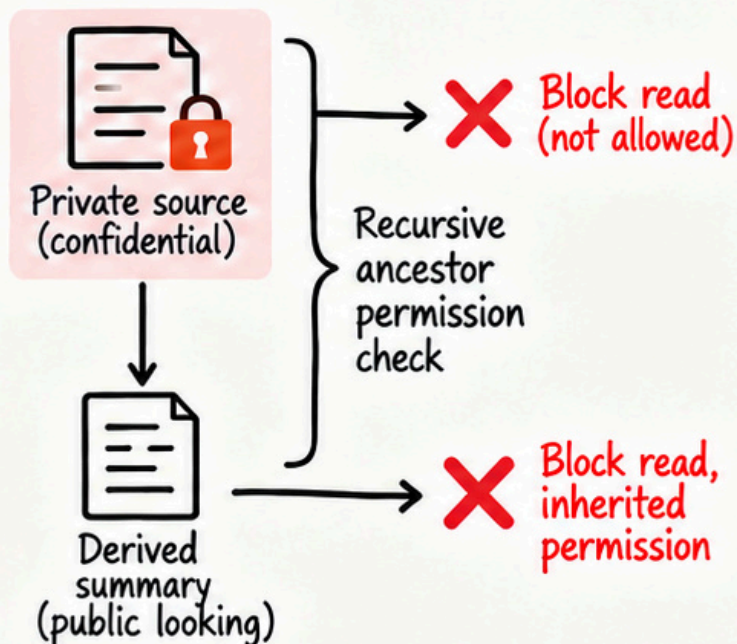
Retrieval results by method

Method	C512	C1024	C2048	FS2048	R5	MRR
BM25	16.03	28.94	45.62	37.95	51.95	38.36
Dense	14.60	25.99	41.89	34.15	48.01	35.85
Provenance-Unit Dense	26.67	41.48	58.20	50.50	51.89	38.69
GraphRAG	15.01	28.01	45.56	37.90	50.61	37.12
Provenance Path	25.58	40.01	54.14	48.80	44.44	37.43
Dense-FT	28.29	44.09	62.07	53.71	67.63	52.07
Cross-Encoder-FT	26.98	42.52	60.42	52.21	66.48	50.55
Provenance-Unit Dense-FT	47.60	64.98	78.49	72.78	71.71	54.84
Provenance-Unit Cross-Encoder-FT	46.46	63.11	77.48	71.94	69.80	55.21
Residual R-GCN	49.52	67.04	81.88	77.33	78.76	62.10

- **All entries percent.** C512, C1024 and C2048 are source-character coverage at the token budget. FS2048 is complete source support. R5 follows the paper's source-coverage definition.

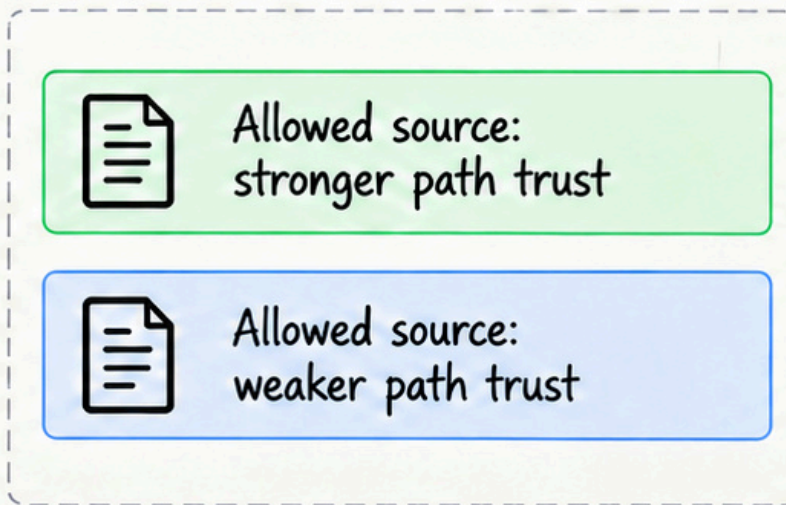
Permission, path trust and action risk

① Filter candidates with recursive ancestor permissions

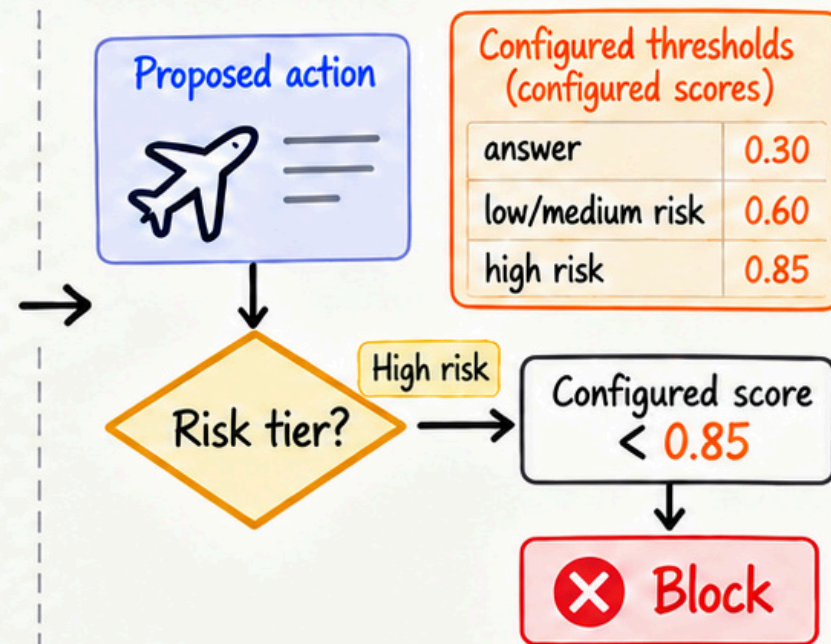


② Rank allowed candidates using semantic similarity and path trust

Rank by semantic similarity and path trust



③ Gate the proposed action using its configured risk tier



Path trust combines

=

Source trust

×

Path integrity

×

Transformation reliability

×

Permission validity

×

Verification

×

Agent reliability

Configured thresholds: answer 0.30, low/medium risk 0.60, high risk 0.85

MAP-Graph ablations

Variant	TSR	Exact accuracy	Unsafe	UAcc
Full MAP-Graph	94.96	72.70	1.52	0.00
Compressed graph	94.33	71.93	1.56	0.00
No action-time gate	69.44	42.63	27.00	0.00
No containment	70.67	43.15	25.41	0.00
No permission filter	96.00	78.63	0.04	100.00
No provenance stack	67.89	41.89	27.89	100.00
No trust propagation	87.37	56.44	8.56	0.00

Removing
the action
gate

Removing
the permission
filter increases
measured
utility but
allows all
observed
unauthorized
read attempts.

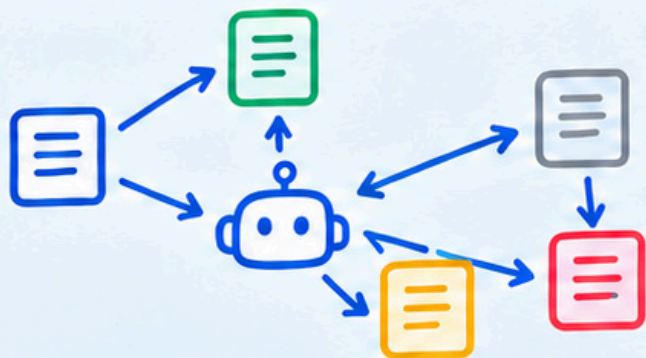
All entries percent. UAcc is conditional unauthorized-read success among observed attempts.
Task success credits safe interventions, so exact decision accuracy must also be reported.

CPB Static and Live ask different questions

Track	Information available	Measurement
Static	Complete annotated episode graph	Admission-action classification
Live	Public policy view during interaction	False adoption and useful correctness

Static

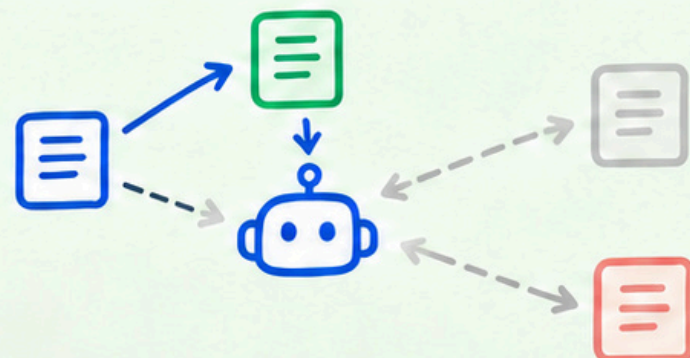
Complete annotated episode graph



Static accuracy: learned **0.653**, strongest rule **0.368**

Live

Public policy view during interaction



Live policies cannot inspect the hidden retrieval log

CPB Live results across four families

Policy	Qwen3.5-9B	Gemma-3-12B	Llama-3.1-8B	Claude Opus 5
Private only	0.00 / 0.00	0.00 / 0.00	0.00 / 0.00	0.00 / 0.00
Share all	0.45 / 0.65	0.32 / 0.77	0.47 / 0.68	0.44 / 0.73
Majority vote	0.45 / 0.65	0.34 / 0.62	0.45 / 0.77	0.41 / 0.62
LLM judge	0.45 / 0.65	0.33 / 0.68	0.22 / 0.78	0.19 / 0.40
Governance rule	0.09 / 0.63	0.06 / 0.58	0.07 / 0.65	0.06 / 0.60
Independent-source vote	0.18 / 0.17	0.11 / 0.17	0.14 / 0.17	0.14 / 0.17
DEPEN	0.18 / 0.17	0.11 / 0.17	0.14 / 0.17	0.12 / 0.15
Review all correlated	0.18 / 0.17	0.11 / 0.17	0.14 / 0.17	0.15 / 0.13

Each entry is false adoption / correctness, as proportions.

Correctness uses scenarios with a true value. Adoption and correctness therefore have different denominators.

MemTX guarantees and full backbone results

Method	Qwen3-8B	Qwen2.5-14B	GLM-4.7-Flash	GPT-5.4-mini	GPT-5.5
MemTX	0.956	0.811	0.944	0.922	0.756
Cordon + revocation	0.822	0.678	0.833	0.811	0.778

Main suite has 90 cases. MemTX leads four backbones by point estimate.
GPT-5.5 has 0.756 versus 0.778 for Cordon plus revocation, a statistical tie as reported.



Configured gate

Protocol properties cover configured action gating.

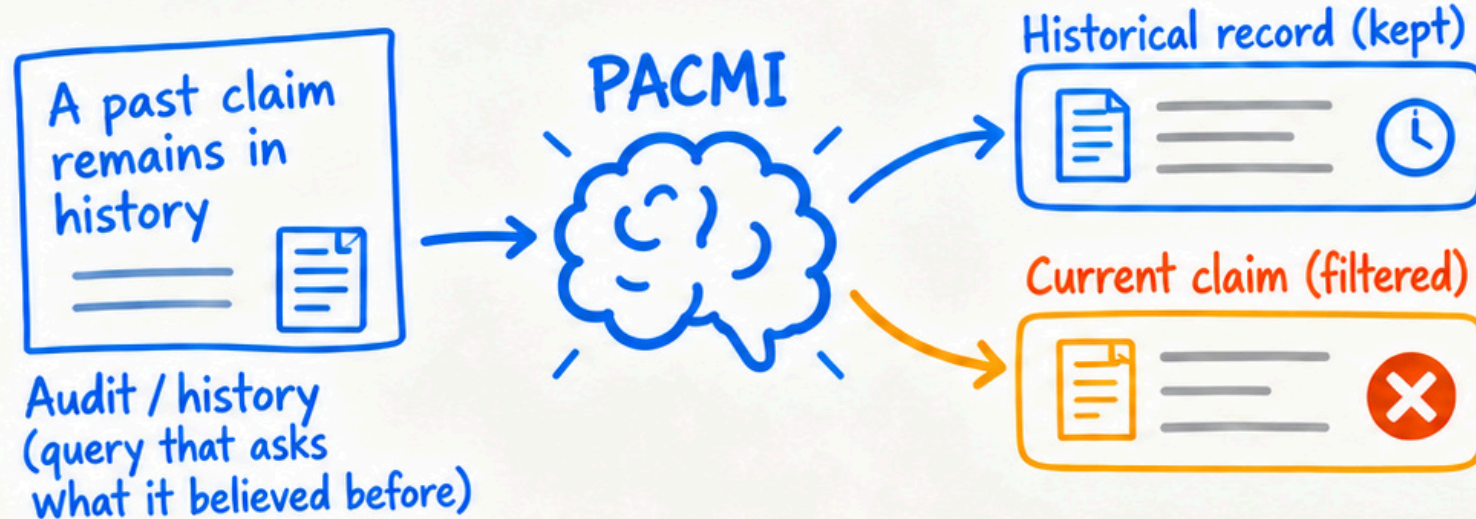


Recorded lineage

Repair closure over recorded dependencies.

PACMI preserves query-dependent history

Method	Current	Stale premise	History	Final
Vector RAG	0.95	0.28	1.00	0.74
Recency-RAG	1.00	0.39	0.95	0.78
LLM-Only Update	1.00	0.47	0.42	0.63
CUPMem-style	0.97	0.43	1.00	0.80
A-MEM-style	1.00	0.71	1.00	0.90
PACMI	1.00	0.97	1.00	0.99



History preservation ablation:
historical accuracy 1.00 falls to 0.36

Cascade ablation:
3 versus 11 final errors,
paired $p = 0.0574$

Favourable
point estimate
but not
conclusive
at 0.05.

Repair transfer and cost

Adapted 50-task transfer (procedural subset)

Method	Recovery	Recurrence	Benign retained	Claim F1	Calls
No repair	0.000	N/A	1.000	0.000	0.00
Full memory reset	0.060	0.000	0.000	0.000	4.84
Delete retrieved memories	0.100	0.400	0.466	0.000	4.26
MemAudit-style	0.260	0.231	0.969	0.000	16.52
LLM-judge repair	0.260	0.077	0.983	0.369	10.64
AgentTrace-style	0.540	0.037	0.997	0.603	6.98
Dependency-guided repair	0.680	0.059	0.993	0.669	8.22

Recurrence

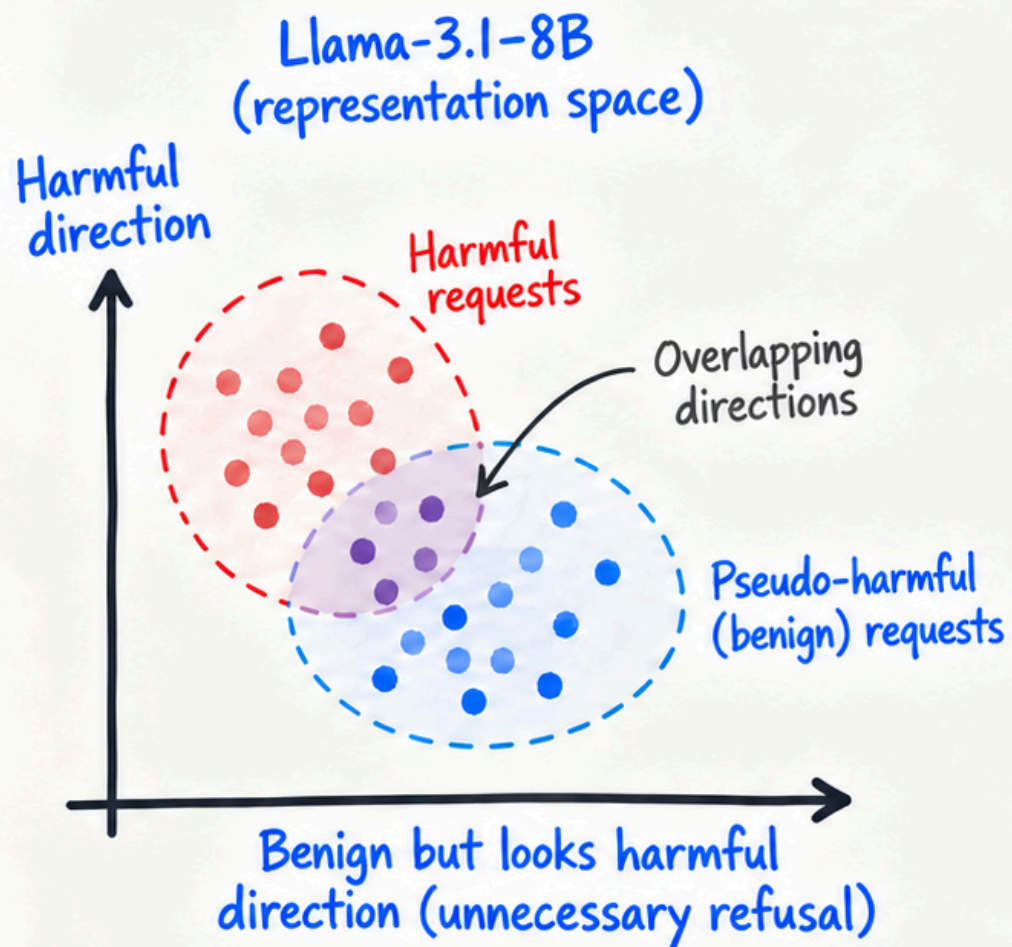
Conditional
on recovered
cases.



Controlled selective-replay ablation (150-case controlled suite)

Method	Recovery	Recurrence	Calls
Default	0.853	0.266	5.70
Full replay	0.840	0.071	24.01

DHOR and unnecessary refusal



DHOR separates overlapping pseudo-harmful and harmful directions

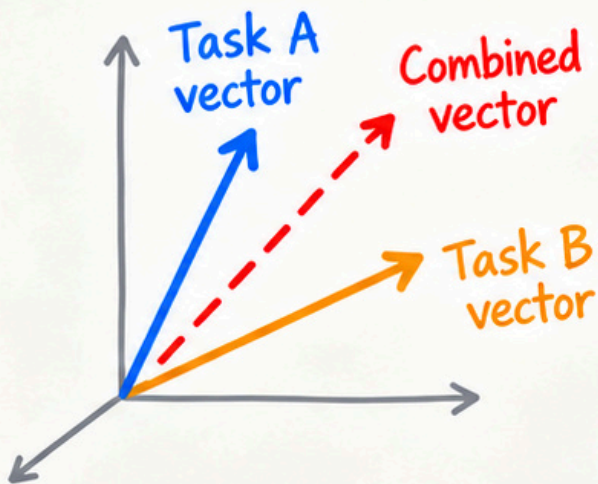
Llama-3.1-8B, percentage metrics

Metric	Initial	DHOR
Average compliance rate	58.50	80.00
Average safety score	98.62	95.25
Average utility accuracy	61.50	59.73

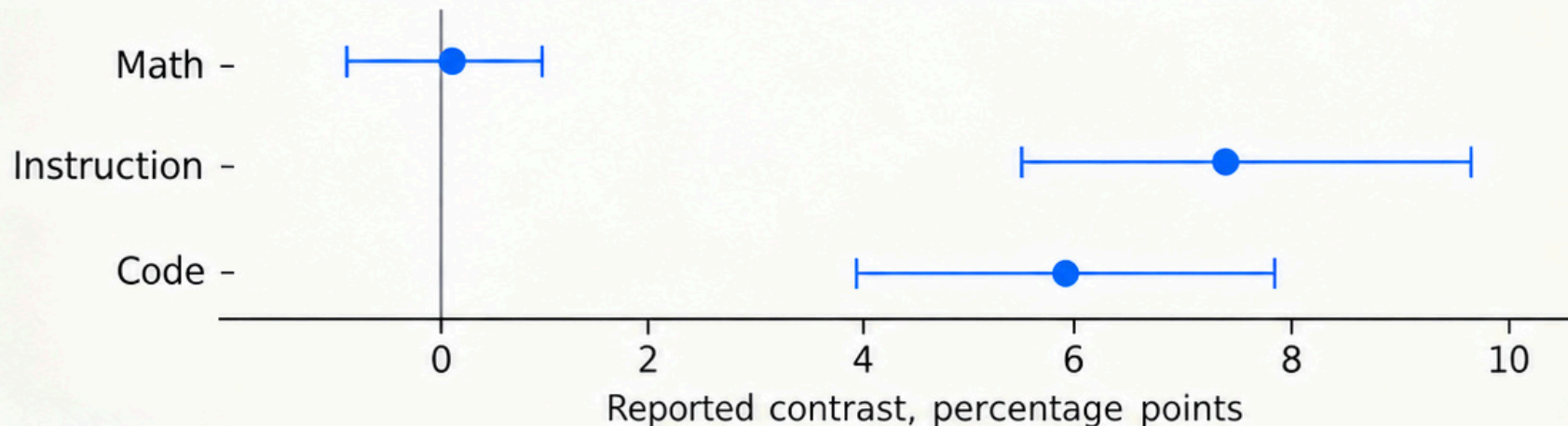
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When task vectors interfere

Combine capabilities



Task-vector contrasts have validity boundaries



Contrast	Estimate	95% interval
Code	5.96	4.14 to 7.93
Instruction	7.58	5.59 to 9.69
Math	0.10	-0.83 to 0.91

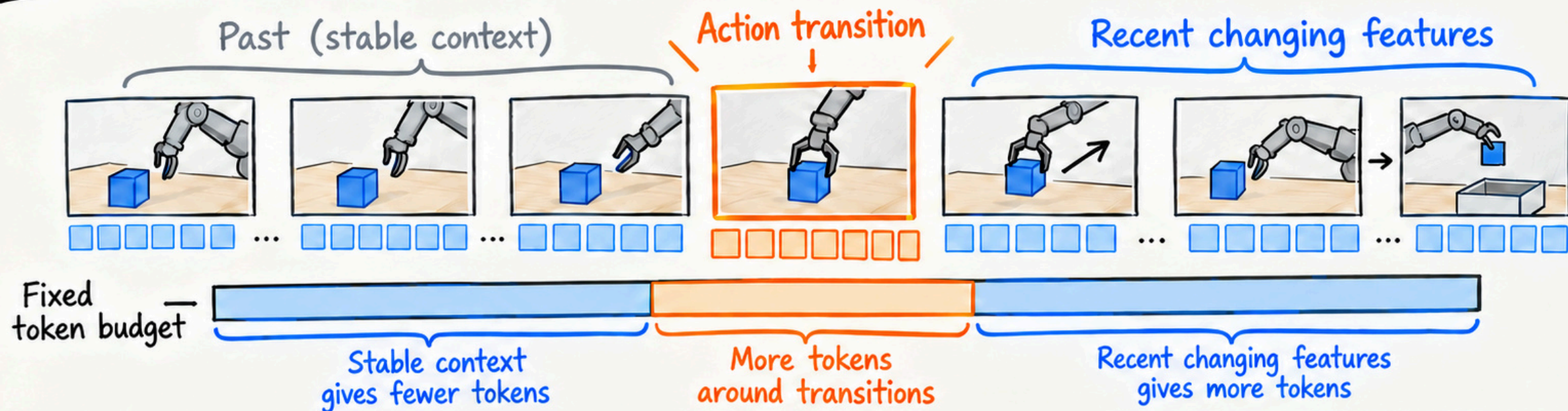
First-token predictive distributions diagnose composition interactions

Qwen2.5-1.5B, reported contrasts in percentage points

Predictive-distribution contrasts, not a universal downstream merge-success guarantee.

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TRD-Prune for embodied agents



- Transition-conditioned temporal role decomposition
- Separate recent changing features from stable context
- Allocate a fixed token budget around action transitions
- Preserve diverse context while pruning redundant history
- Selected RoboTwin setting: 1.58 times speedup, matching 77.5% no-pruning success
- Physical tasks: 96.7% of baseline success retained, a relative measure
- Under review at AAAI 2027

Selected RoboTwin setting



1.58x
speedup

77.5% success
Same as no pruning

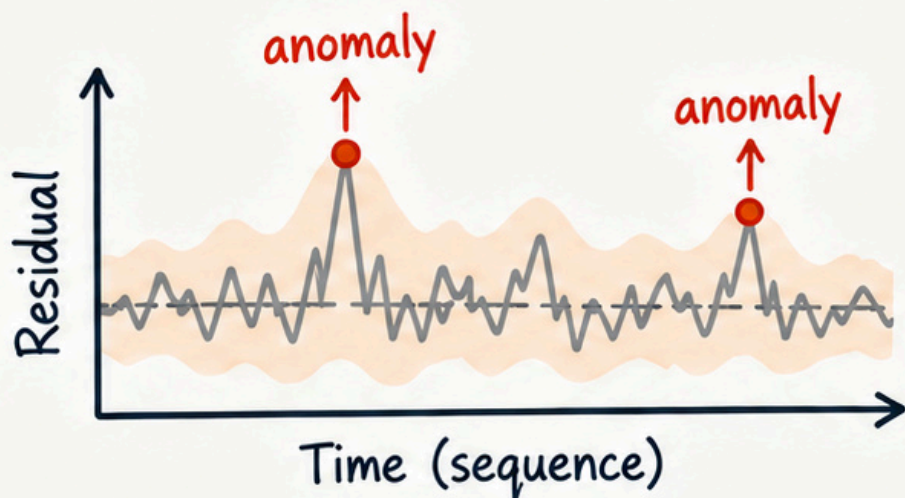
Physical tasks



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of baseline success retained
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COSTA and structural anomalies

COSTA conditions structural residuals on the sequence



Point-adjusted F1, percent

Dataset	Graph-MoE	COSTA
MSL	56.37	83.68
SMAP	55.93	95.05
SMD	71.53	79.95
SWaT	95.52	84.40
Mean	69.84	85.77

SWaT favours Graph-MoE

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ReBridge-Flow and restoration evidence

Posterior flow re-coupling improves bridge compatibility

CelebA deblurring, PSNR in dB

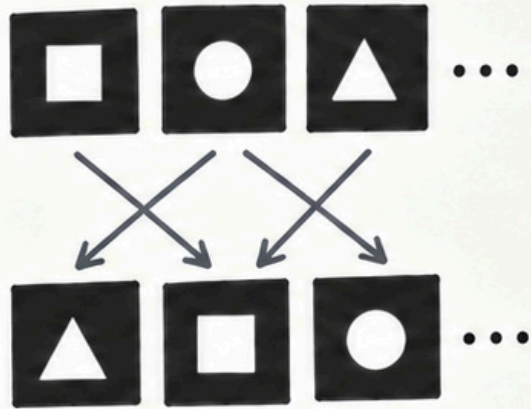
Method	PSNR
FLOWER	34.96
ReBridge-Flow	35.68

Under review at AAAI 2027. Adjacent perception research.

★ Our group (collaborative work) | ReBridge-Flow arXiv:2609.00811 | Under review at AAAI 2027, Phase 2

DECOR and dependency-preserving negatives

Simple factor shuffling

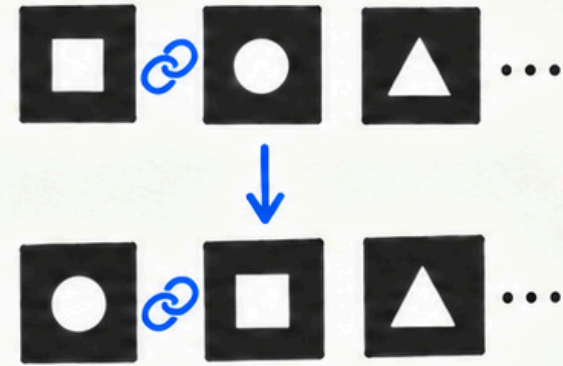


May break dependencies that matter

Selected dSprites FAC result

Method	FAC
FactorVAE	0.81 ± 0.034
DECOR, gamma 6.4	0.85 ± 0.002

Dependency-preserving negative sampling (DECOR)



Preserves dependencies in contrastive negative construction

(illustrative)

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Adjacent representation research.

Prepared answers for discussion



Questions about

- ① Trace meaning and guarantee boundaries
- ② Access control and source independence
- ③ Concurrency and action evidence
- ④ Repair reach and overhead
- ⑤ Review status and the recent research programme

Selected reading: start here

OUR GROUP

	Tracing survey	arXiv 2606.04990	TMLR accepted
	Retrieval	arXiv 2609.25913	WSDM 2027 under review
	MAP-Graph	arXiv 2608.10509	AAAI 2027 Phase 2
	CPB	arXiv 2609.30813	ICLR 2027 under review
	MemTX	arXiv 2607.23929	AAAI 2027 Phase 2
	PACMI	SSRN 7480138	Preprint
	Rollback	arXiv 2608.10502	Preprint

EXTERNAL RESEARCH

	Memory	arXiv
	A-MEM	2502.12110
	LongMemEval	2410.10813

	Tool and agent	arXiv
	AgentDojo	2406.13352
	CaMeL	2503.18813
	Progent	2504.11703

	Security and governance	arXiv
	Error tracing	2509.03312

	Diagnosis and repair	arXiv
	ChronoMem	2607.27773
	Agentic Transaction	2608.13900

 Full clickable titles, links and six additional team papers in [READING_GUIDE.md](#)

The survey corpus and its limits



Standards and operational mechanisms



W3C PROV:
entities, activities
and relationships



OpenTelemetry:
execution
instrumentation



OWASP Agentic Top 10 2026:
security-risk guidance



NIST initiative, February 2026:
standards, protocols,
security and identity

A named policy
still needs a
concrete
enforcement point



Policy
enforcement
point



Evidence requirements across engineering settings

Setting	Evidence that must stay connected to the decision
Construction safety	Inspection version, task and approval conditions
Agricultural operations	Pilot authority, location and current weather
Renewable energy	Sensor time, asset state and operating constraints
Embodied agents	Recent perception, action transition and uncertainty

Illustrative workflow



Proposed evaluation settings. No autonomous field-operation result claimed

★ Our group | Proposed evaluation settings | Survey arXiv:2606.04990; TRD-Prune OpenReview:QAgtOyhyK