# KitAi-QA: a Question Answering System for NTCIR-12 QALab-2

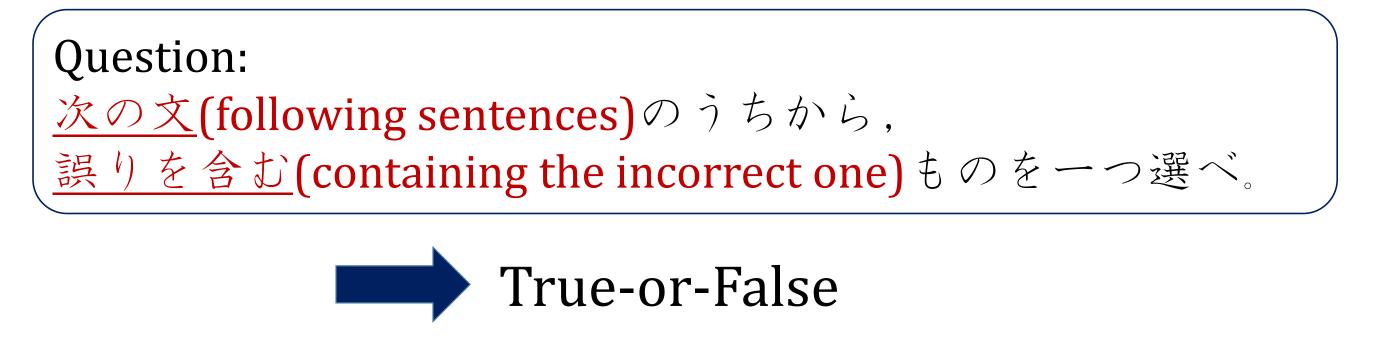
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#### 1. Outline

- Solving the National Center Test
- 1. Identify the question type
- 2. Extract related topics from the textbook
- 3. Select the answer for four question types
  - ✓ Detect a conflict and an event for True-or-False question

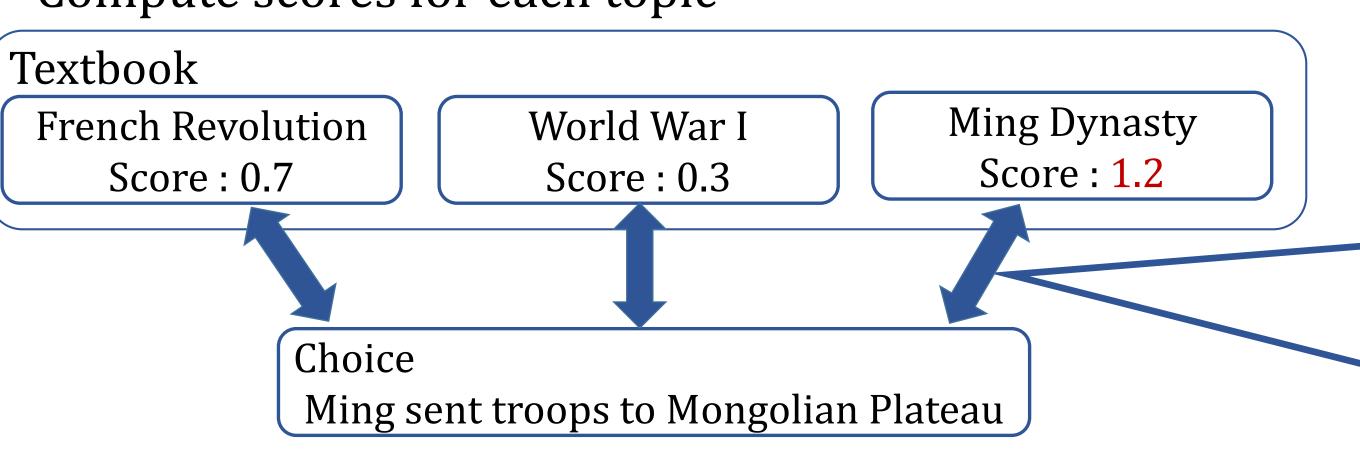
### 2. Question Type Identification

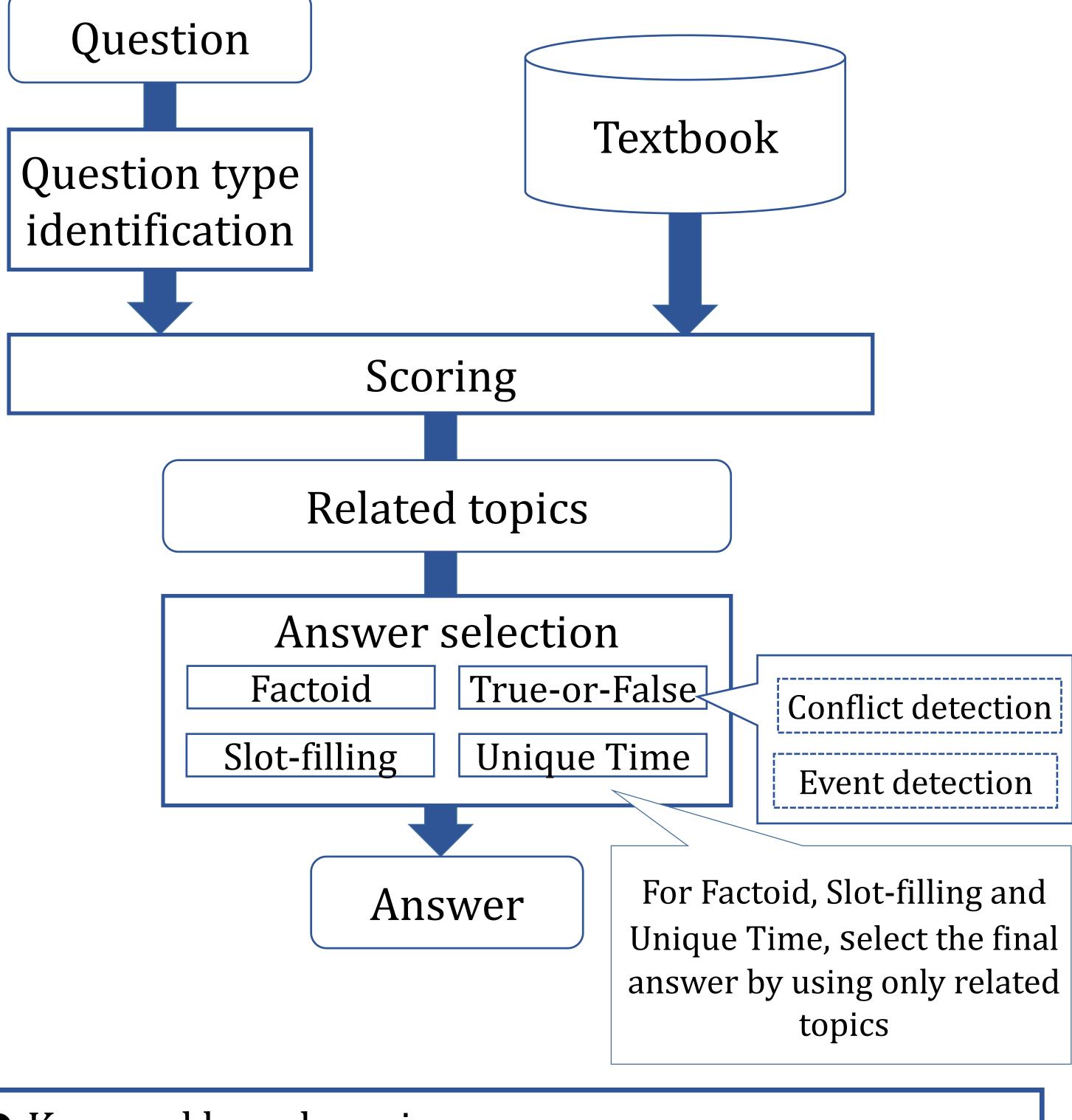
Identify the question type by key phrase-based rules



#### 3. Scoring

 Extract the related topic from the textbook —Compute scores for each topic

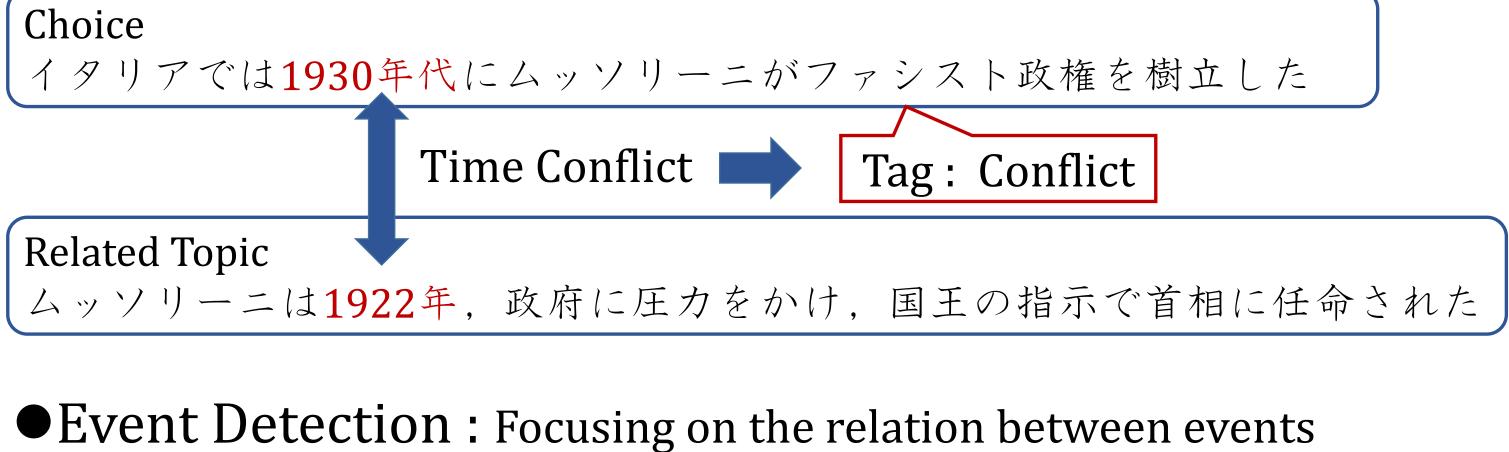


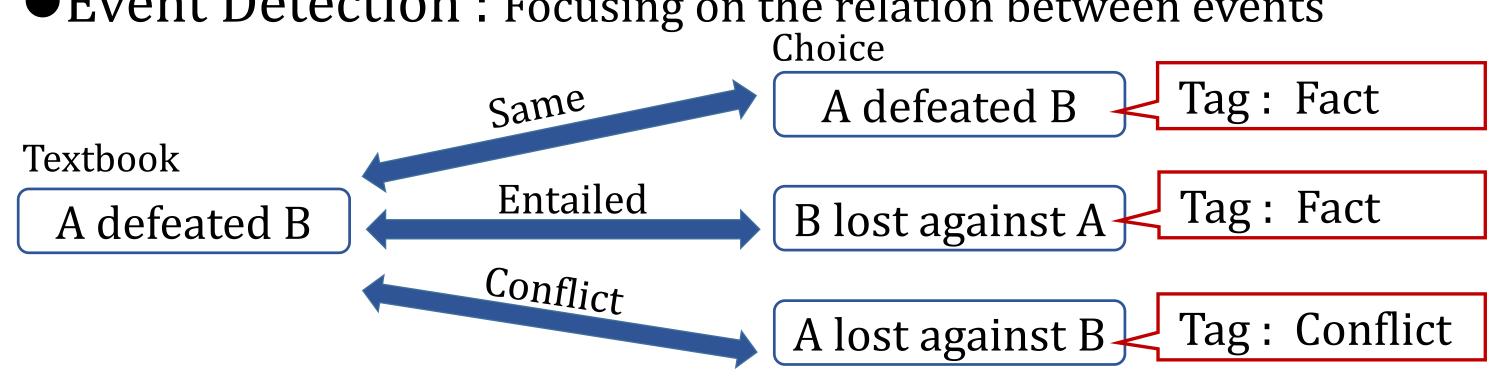


 Keyword based scoring Same keywords and dependency Choice 明朝は, モンゴル高原に出兵した The topic obtains high score Ming sent troops to Mongolian Plateau Topic: Ming Dynasty 明朝(Ming)の永楽帝は積極的な対外政策をとり、 北方では<u>モンゴル高原に出兵した</u>. (sent troops to Mongolian Plateau)

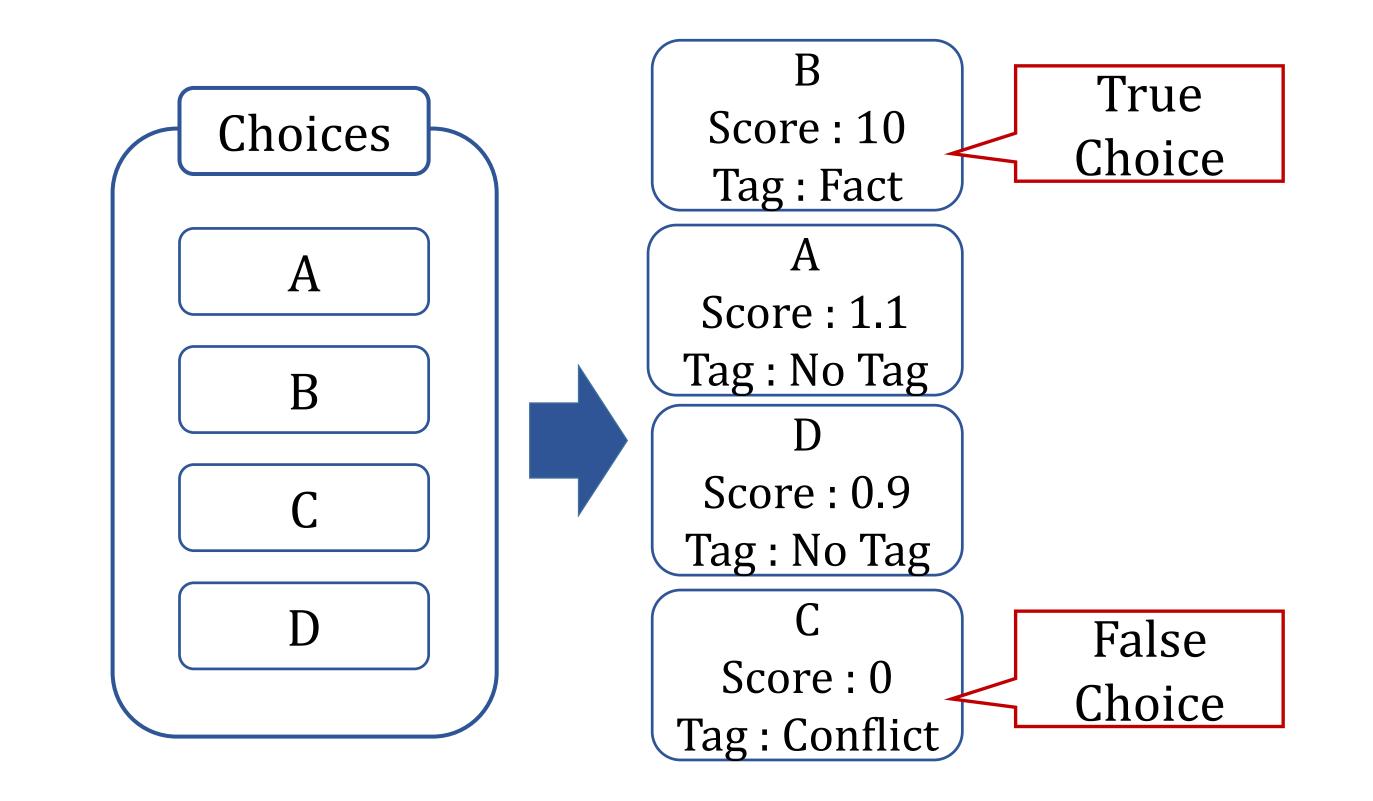
#### 4. Answer Selection for True-or-False

Conflict Detection : Detecting a conflict in a choice





Choices are ranked on the basis of scores and tags



## 5. Result

- Average of the formal run results : 35.3
- Boosted up other system results in the combination run

Phase	Team (Priority)	Score	Score of Combination run
Phase1(Benesse)	Forst (2)	26	35
Phase3 (Center)	IMTKU (1)	12	34

- Scoring needs to solve a different notation problem -Ex) "Jewish soldier" and "Jewish officer"
- Conflict Detection was effective but the number of applicable questions was small
- Event Detection was not effective because of lack of information