# Grounded language understanding: Varieties of contextual grounding

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## Our task: Color description in context

 Context	Utterance
	blue
	The darker blue one
	teal not the two that are more green
	dull pink not the super bright one
	not any of the regular greens
	Purple
	blue

Stanford Colors in Context corpus (Monroe et al. 2017)









A little dog jumping and catching a frisbee

A big dog running

## Discriminative image captioning







#### Vedantam et al. 2017; Cohn-Gordon et al. 2018

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#### **Machine translation**

She chopped up the tree.

Elle coupa l'arbre.

She chopped down the tree.  $\longrightarrow$  Elle a abattu l'arbre.

Cohn-Gordon and Goodman 2019

## **Machine translation**



Cohn-Gordon and Goodman 2019

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Cohn-Gordon and Goodman 2019

# Generating and following instructions





Fried et al. 2018



Tellex et al. 2014

OCR



#### Help me!

Tellex et al. 2014





Tellex et al. 2014



# Hand me the white leg on the table

Tellex et al. 2014

## Optical character recognition



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