**Event Mention Detection format**

An event mention detector creates one file per input text.

Each mention is recorded on a separate line per the following BNF:

**BNF definition of format:**

discontiguous-mention := contiguous-mention + contiguous-mention

contiguous-mention := <engine ID> <text ID> <block ID> <offset within block>

<length of mention> <mention> <event-type> <realis-status>

<engine ID> := the name of the system

<text ID> := the ID of the text

<block ID> := the ID number of the text block

<offset within block> := the starting position (in characters) of the mention string

<length of mention> := the number of characters of the event mention string

<mention> := the actual character string of the mention

<event-type> := the ACE hierarchy type

<realis-status> := the REALIS label

<score> := any score (confidence, etc.) the system wants to assign (ignored)

**Examples:**

**Input 1 (simple contiguous):**

BLOCK 12

While walking home they looked up the street. …

**Details:**

“l” of “looked” is character 25

“looked up” is 7 characters

Assume that the ACE hierarchy contains the type ACE.LOOK

**Output 1:**

docID textID 12 25 7 “looked up” ACE.LOOK REALIS 0.92

**Input 2 (spanning block boundary):**

BLOCK 15

… the group took responsibility

BLOCK 16

yesterday for the attack in London ….

**Details:**

“t” of “took” is character 105

the discontiguous mention crosses a block boundary

**Output 2:**

docID textID 15 105 19 “took responsibility” ACE.CLAIM REALIS 0.87

+ docID textID 16 11 3 “for” ACE.CLAIM REALIS 0.87