# The parse is darc and full of errors:

# Universal dependency parsing with transition-based and graph-based algorithms



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#### In brief

- two simple systems for dependency parsing using neural networks
- darc: a transition-based non-projective/projective parser
  - the official system, ranked 12<sup>th</sup> among 33 systems
  - simpler and more restricted than UDPipe's Parsito (Straka, Hajič, Straková, and Hajič jr. 2015)
  - achieved comparable results with baseline & ÚFAL
- mstnn: a graph-based non-projective unlabeled parser
  - with a standalone labeler

	darc	mstnn	baseline	ÚFAL
all treebanks	68.41	61.13	68.35	69.52
big treebanks	73.31	65.84	73.04	74.38
small treebanks	52.46	48.40	51.80	53.75
parallel test-sets	67.96	60.49	68.33	69.00
surprise languages	34.47	24.04	37.07	35.96

#### Neural network learner

- same structure for both parsers
- fully connected feedforward network
- AdaMax optimization
- 2 layers of 256 hidden ReLU
- 25% dropout on hidden layers
- unit-norm constraint on embeddings
- pretrained FORM & LEMMA embeddings

### Machine learning features

	min	max	avg	dim	FEATS
FORM	70	58 562	9 070	32	count of max avg
LEMMA	89	29 972	6 321	32	types 2 487 430
UPOSTAG	13	19	18	12	hapaxes 561 92
DEPREL	21	55	37	16	unique entries 112 44
trainable embedding shapes				morphological entries	

## morphological entries

#### darc

- arc-standard system plus swap (Nivre 2008; Nivre 2009)
- static oracle, lazy with swap, greedy decoding
- 18 graph nodes as inputs (Chen and Manning 2014)
  - top 3 words on stack & buffer
  - 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> leftmost & rightmost children of the top two stack nodes
  - leftmost-of-leftmost & rightmost-of-rightmost children of the top two stack nodes

#### mstnn

- neural network augmented maximum spanning tree parser (McDonald et al. 2005)
- sigmoid probabilities as weight scores
- first order inputs
  - the two nodes and their left & right
  - the left-of-left & right-of-right neighbors
  - distance between the two nodes

#### **Treatments for datasets**

- only used *Universal Dependencies version 2.0* (Nivre et al. 2017) treebanks for model training
- new UDPipe (Straka, Hajič, and Straková 2016) models with baseline hyperparameters for segmentation and tagging
- for big treebanks: trained on train-sets & tuned on dev-sets
- for small treebanks: consulted the baseline splits of train-, tune-, & dev-sets
- for parallel test-sets: picked models of the same languages
- for surprise languages: trained delexicalized models on the closest treebanks based on the scores on the sample data Buryat: Polish, Kurmanji: Polish, North Sami: Finnish, Upper Sorbian: Slovenian

## Summary

- openly available at https://github.com/CoNLL-UD-2017/darc
- powerful machine learning tools may alleviate the drawbacks of transition-based parsing
- carefully constructed input features help
- ultimately, an integrated approach is more desirable than a pipeline



**58.20** 54.78 Ancient Greek Ancient Greek PROIEL 66.21 62.81 65.49 60.61 Arabic Arabic PUD <u>44.10</u> 39.86 Basque <u>84.51</u> 75.19 Bulgarian 15.61 19.69 Buryat Catalan Chinese 76.96 68.17 Croatian 81.92 73.89 Czech 79.54 71.37 Czech PUD Czech CAC 81.78 73.78 Czech CLTT 73.57 67.26 Danish 73.67 64.55 68.94 60.85 Dutch Dutch LassySmall 79.89 71.17 English 75.83 65.25 77.67 64.70 English PUD English LinES <u>72.98</u> 63.62 English ParTUT 74.39 63.91 Estonian 59.75 54.62 Finnish 74.93 67.19 Finnish PUD 78.49 70.14 Finnish FTB **75.43** 70.93 **80.50** 69.90 French French PUD 73.06 64.91 French ParTUT 78.84 70.85 French Sequoia 79.44 71.00 Galician 77.17 69.97 Galician TreeGal 65.19 59.76 68.02 63.77 German 65.09 60.76 German PUD Gothic 61.92 58.54 79.05 73.53 Greek 57.13 50.84 Hebrew Hindi **87.50** 80.99 Hindi PUD 50.98 47.79 Hungarian <u>65.17</u> 60.05 Indonesian 73.58 63.38 **62.97** 57.55 85.04 76.45 ltalian Italian PUD 83.79 73.43 72.88 64.27 Japanese 75.69 66.85 Japanese PUD Kazakh 23.68 22.28 58.30 56.32 Korean **33.06** 23.54 Kurmanji 45.29 43.53 Latin **76.22** 69.52 Latin ITTB 59.52 56.23 Latin PROIEL **62.03** 54.60 Latvian North Sami **34.89** 21.67 Norwegian Bokmaal 82.29 71.53 Norwegian Nynorsk 80.99 69.14 Old Church Slavonic **66.37** 63.87 77.59 66.59 Persian Polish 79.72 77.06 81.40 72.16 Portuguese Portuguese PUD 73.65 64.68 Portuguese BR 84.98 72.49 **80.42** 70.10 Romanian Russian 74.83 68.63 Russian PUD 68.61 63.11 Russian SynTagRus 86.39 79.06 Slovak 73.49 68.29 Slovenian 81.05 73.21 Slovenian SST <u>47.41</u> 42.52 Spanish 81.27 69.53 Spanish PUD 77.49 66.78 84.06 72.37 Spanish AnCora Swedish 76.45 65.34 68.94 59.68 Swedish PUD Swedish LinES 73.62 64.12 Turkish **54.70** 52.44 Turkish PUD **34.37** 32.84 **62.03** 56.39 Ukrainian <u>54.30</u> 31.24 Upper Sorbian **77.21** 70.39 Urdu 34.28 34.32 Uyghur 37.31 31.82 Vietnamese

 $\underline{score} \ge \mathtt{UDPipe} \ 1.1 \ (baseline)$ score ≥ UDPipe 1.2 (ÚFAL)

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