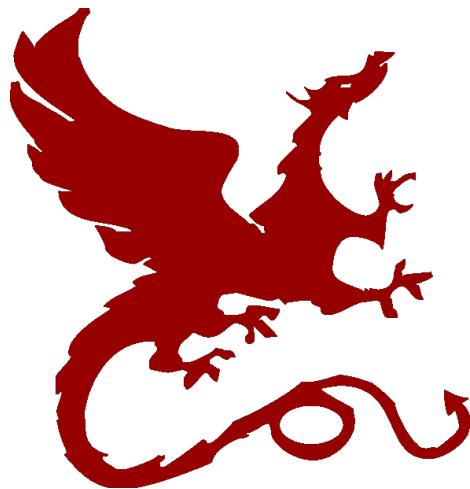


Algorithms for NLP



Parsing V

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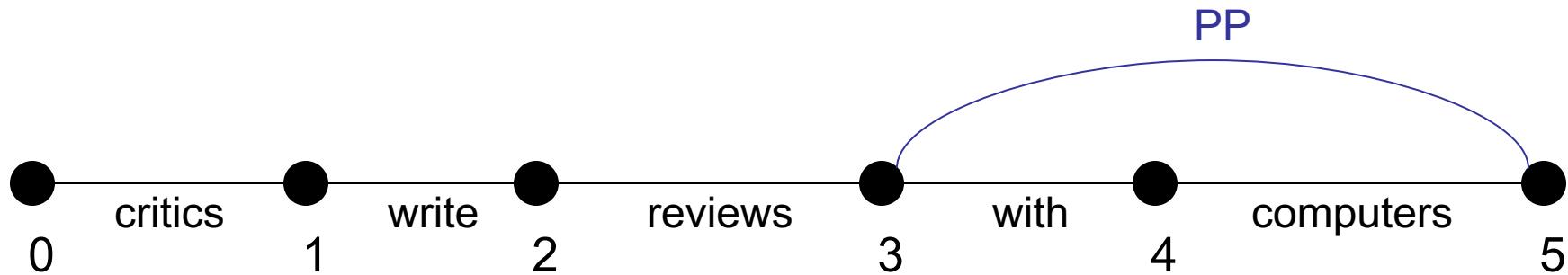
Slides: Dan Klein – UC Berkeley

Agenda-Based Parsing



Agenda-Based Parsing

- Agenda-based parsing is like graph search (but over a hypergraph)
- Concepts:
 - Numbering: we number fenceposts between words
 - “Edges” or items: spans with labels, e.g. PP[3,5], represent the sets of trees over those words rooted at that label (cf. search states)
 - A chart: records edges we’ve expanded (cf. closed set)
 - An agenda: a queue which holds edges (cf. a fringe or open set)





Word Items

- Building an item for the first time is called discovery. Items go into the agenda on discovery.
- To initialize, we discover all word items (with score 1.0).

AGENDA

critics[0,1], write[1,2], reviews[2,3], with[3,4], computers[4,5]

CHART [EMPTY]





Unary Projection

- When we pop a word item, the lexicon tells us the tag item successors (and scores) which go on the agenda

critics[0,1]	write[1,2]	reviews[2,3]	with[3,4]	computers[4,5]
NNS[0,1]	VBP[1,2]	NNS[2,3]	IN[3,4]	NNS[4,5]



critics write reviews with computers



Item Successors

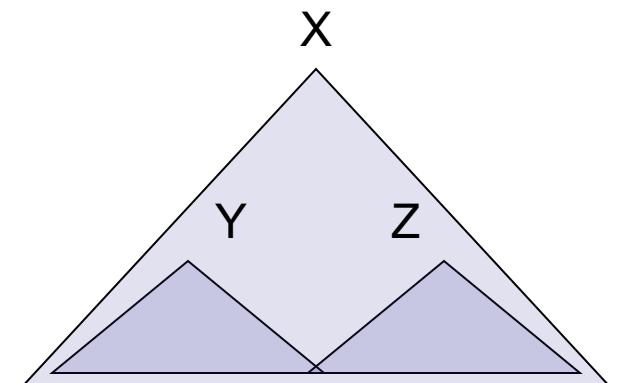
- When we pop items off of the agenda:
 - Graph successors: unary projections ($\text{NNS} \rightarrow \text{critics}$, $\text{NP} \rightarrow \text{NNS}$)

$Y[i,j]$ with $X \rightarrow Y$ forms $X[i,j]$

- Hypergraph successors: combine with items already in our chart

$Y[i,j]$ and $Z[j,k]$ with $X \rightarrow Y Z$ form $X[i,k]$

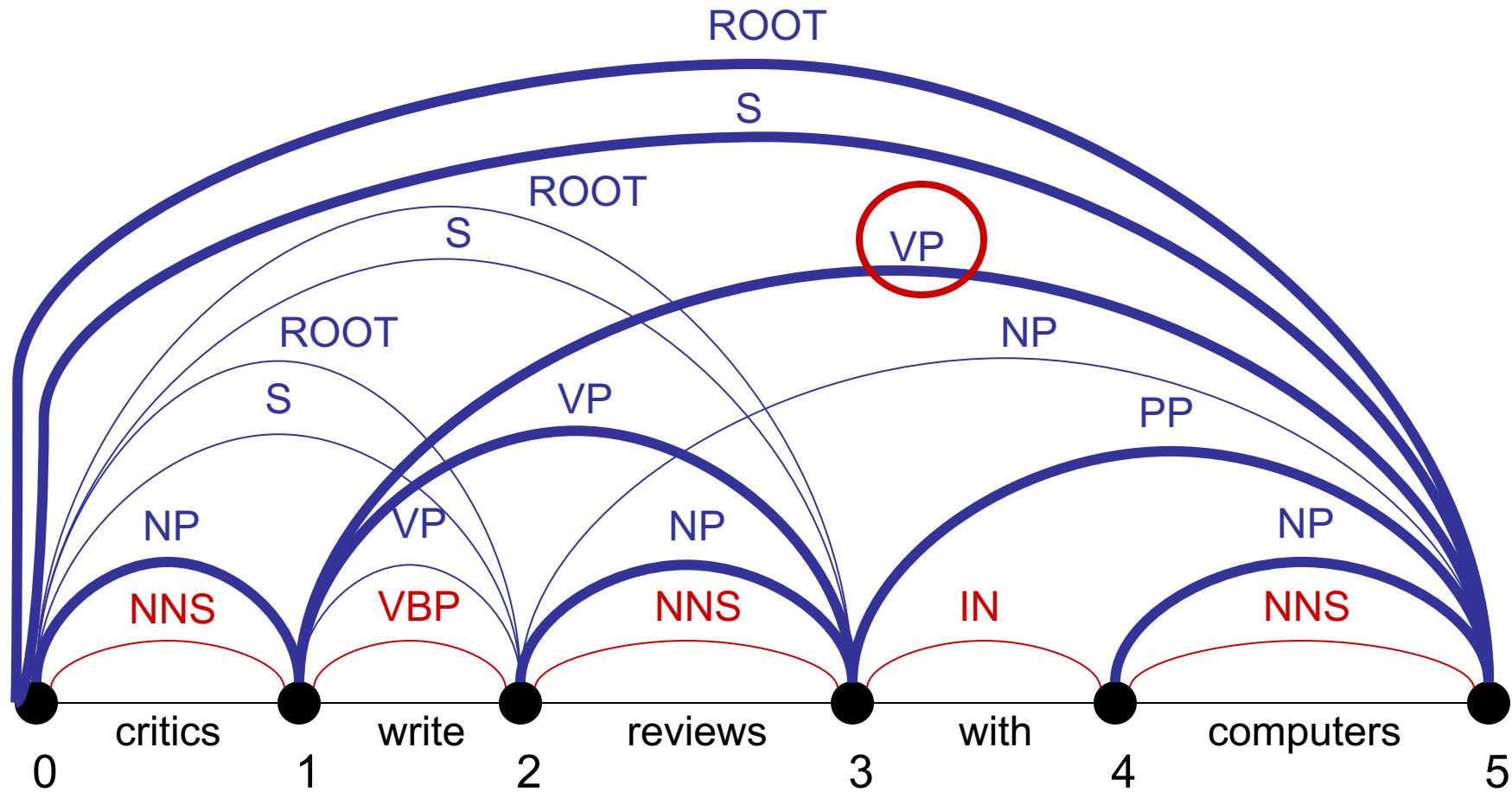
- Enqueue / promote resulting items (if not in chart already)
 - Record backtraces as appropriate
 - Stick the popped edge in the chart (closed set)
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- Queries a chart must support:
 - Is edge $X[i,j]$ in the chart? (What score?)
 - What edges with label Y end at position j ?
 - What edges with label Z start at position i ?





An Example

NNS[0,1] VBP[1,2] NNS[2,3] IN[3,4] NNS[3,4] NP[0,1] VP[1,2] NP[2,3] NP[4,5] S[0,2]
VP[1,3] PP[3,5] ROOT[0,2] S[0,3] VP[1,5] NP[2,5] ROOT[0,3] S[0,5] ROOT[0,5]





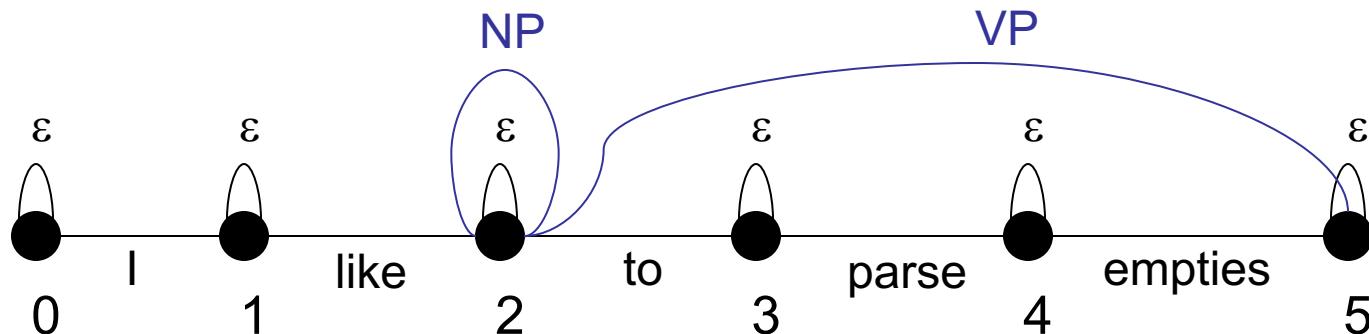
Empty Elements

- Sometimes we want to posit nodes in a parse tree that don't contain any pronounced words:

I want you to parse this sentence

I want [] to parse this sentence

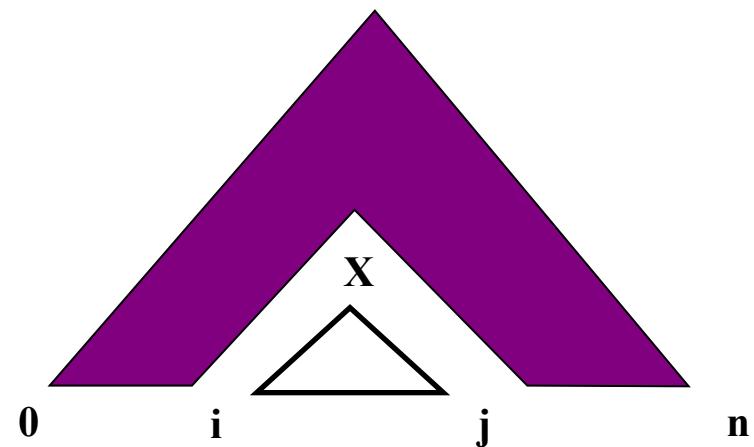
- These are easy to add to a agenda-based parser!
 - For each position i , add the “word” edge $\epsilon[i,i]$
 - Add rules like $NP \rightarrow \epsilon$ to the grammar
 - That’s it!





UCS / A*

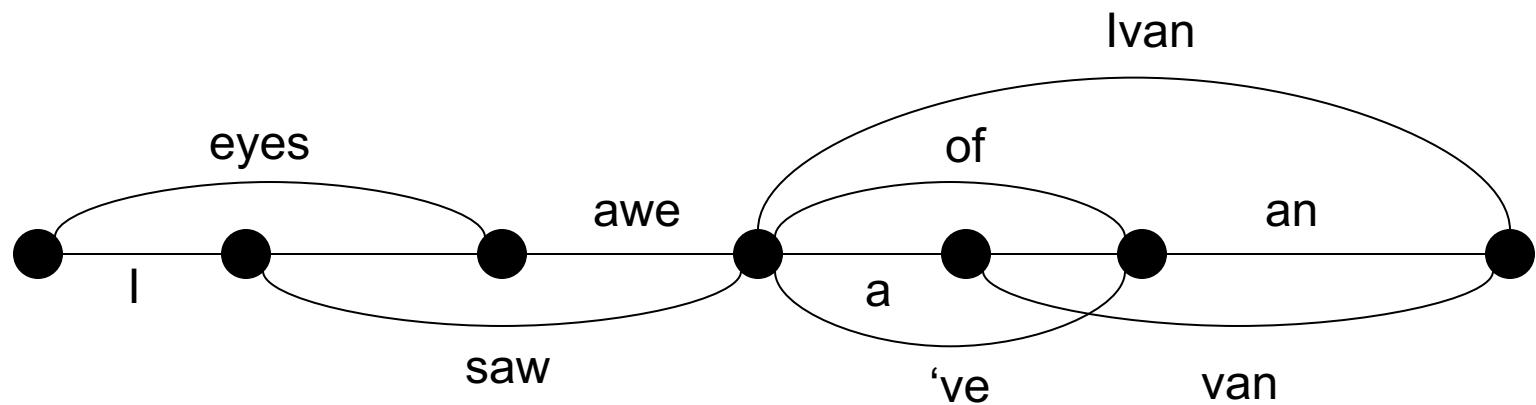
- With weighted edges, order matters
 - Must expand optimal parse from bottom up (subparsing first)
 - CKY does this by processing smaller spans before larger ones
 - UCS pops items off the agenda in order of decreasing Viterbi score
 - A* search also well defined
- You can also speed up the search without sacrificing optimality
 - Can select which items to process first
 - Can do with any “figure of merit” [Charniak 98]
 - If your figure-of-merit is a valid A* heuristic, no loss of optimality [Klein and Manning 03]





(Speech) Lattices

- There was nothing magical about words spanning exactly one position.
- When working with speech, we generally don't know how many words there are, or where they break.
- We can represent the possibilities as a lattice and parse these just as easily.



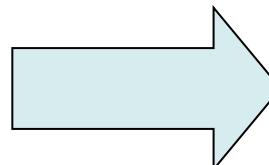
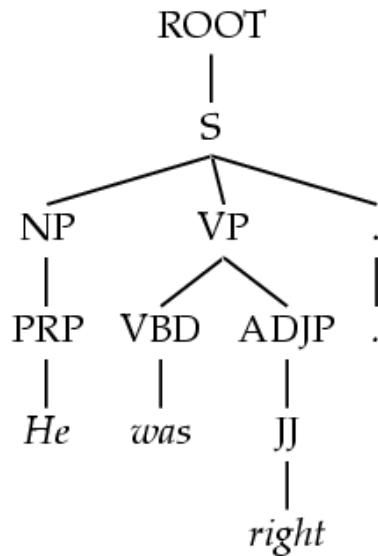
Learning PCFGs



Treebank PCFGs

[Charniak 96]

- Use PCFGs for broad coverage parsing
- Can take a grammar right off the trees (doesn't work well):



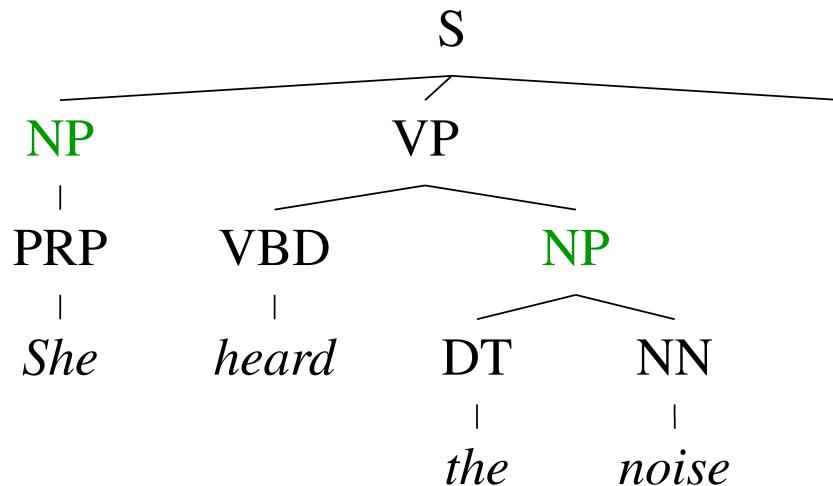
$\text{ROOT} \rightarrow \text{S}$	1
$\text{S} \rightarrow \text{NP VP .}$	1
$\text{NP} \rightarrow \text{PRP}$	1
$\text{VP} \rightarrow \text{VBD ADJP}$	1

.....

Model	F1
Baseline	72.0



Conditional Independence?



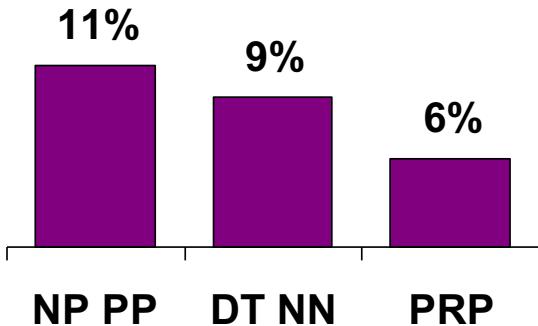
- Not every NP expansion can fill every NP slot
 - A grammar with symbols like “NP” won’t be context-free
 - Statistically, conditional independence too strong



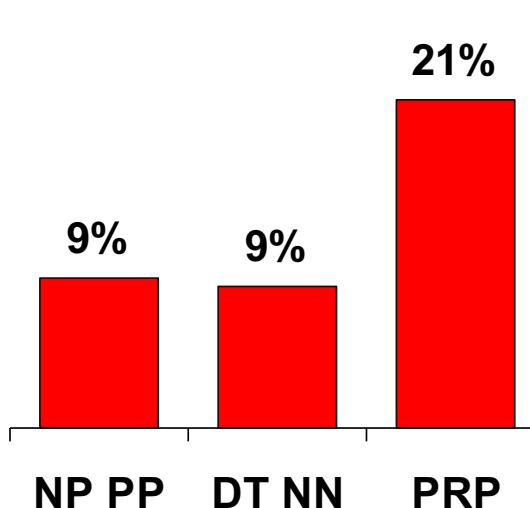
Non-Independence

- Independence assumptions are often too strong.

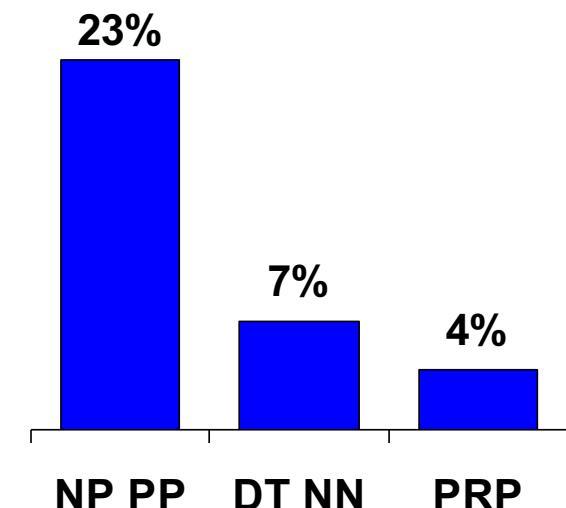
All NPs



NPs under S



NPs under VP

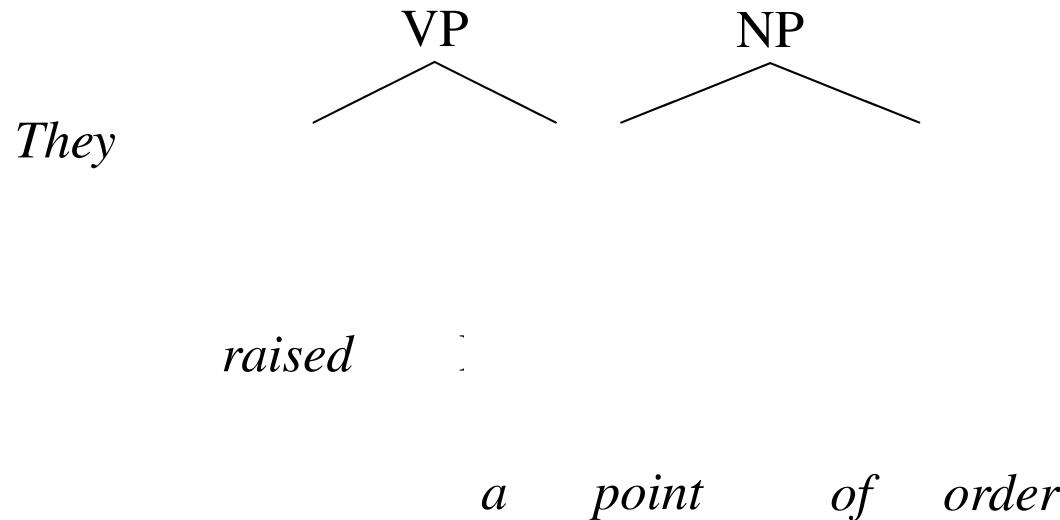


- Example: the expansion of an NP is highly dependent on the parent of the NP (i.e., subjects vs. objects).
- Also: the subject and object expansions are correlated!



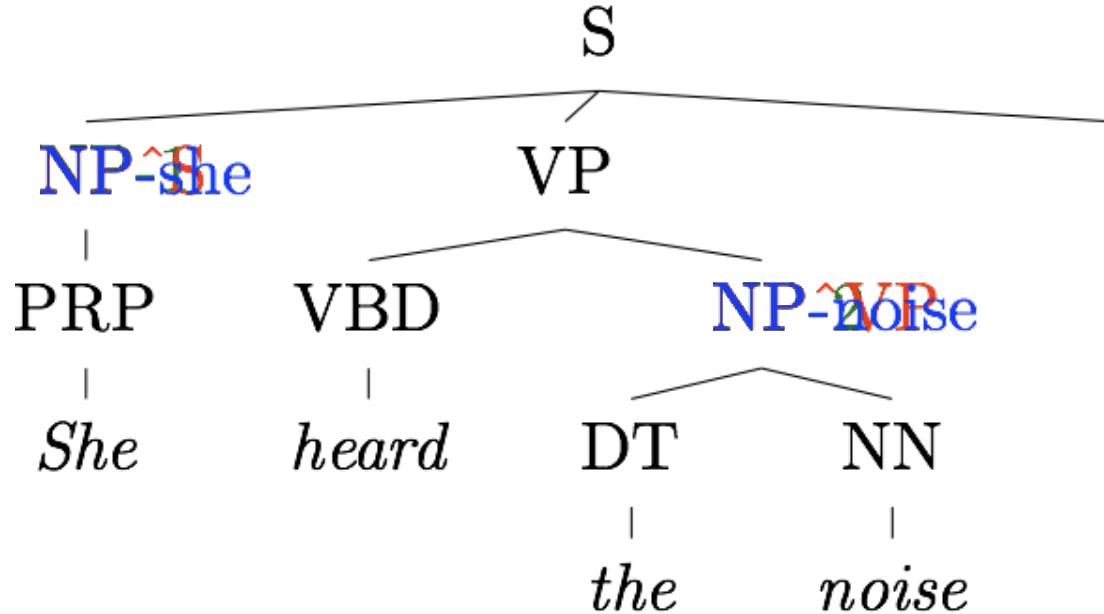
Grammar Refinement

- Example: PP attachment





Grammar Refinement

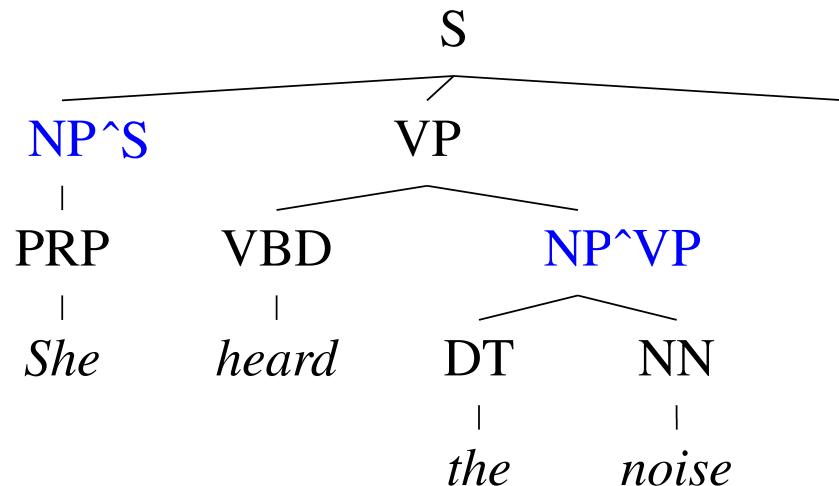


- Structure Annotation [Johnson '98, Klein&Manning '03]
- Lexicalization [Collins '99, Charniak '00]
- Latent Variables [Matsuzaki et al. 05, Petrov et al. '06]

Structural Annotation



The Game of Designing a Grammar



- Annotation refines base treebank symbols to improve statistical fit of the grammar
 - Structural annotation



Typical Experimental Setup

- Corpus: Penn Treebank, WSJ



Training: sections 02-21

Development: section 22 (here, first 20 files)

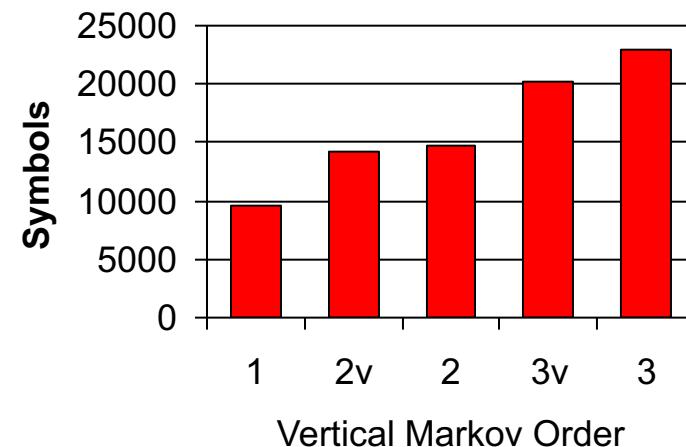
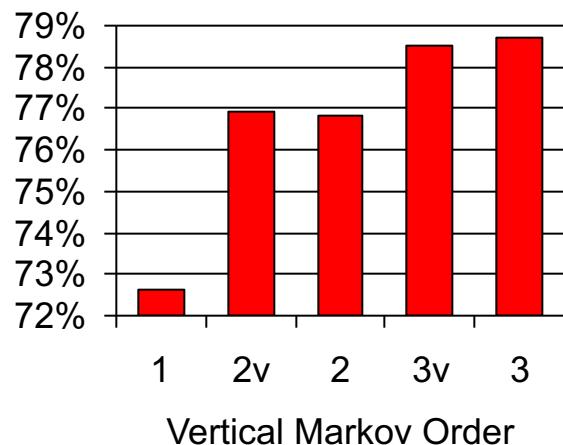
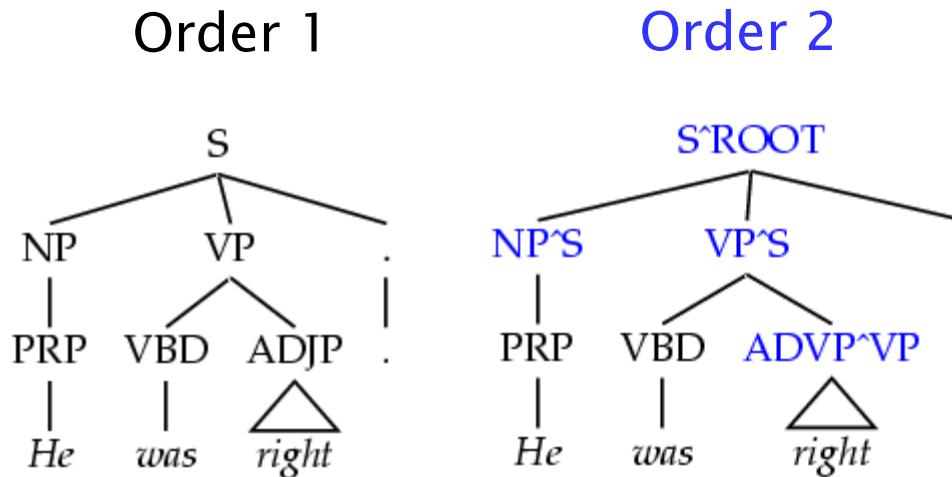
Test: section 23

- Accuracy – F1: harmonic mean of per-node labeled precision and recall.
- Here: also size – number of symbols in grammar.



Vertical Markovization

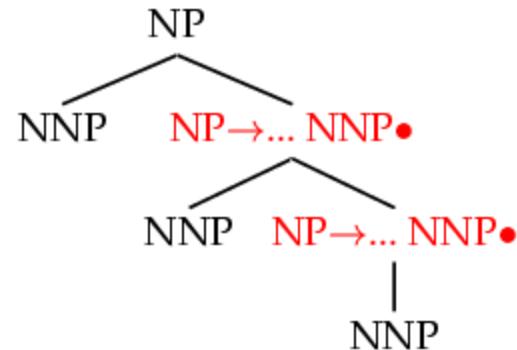
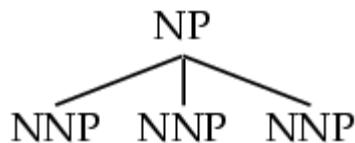
- Vertical Markov order: rewrites depend on past k ancestor nodes.
(cf. parent annotation)



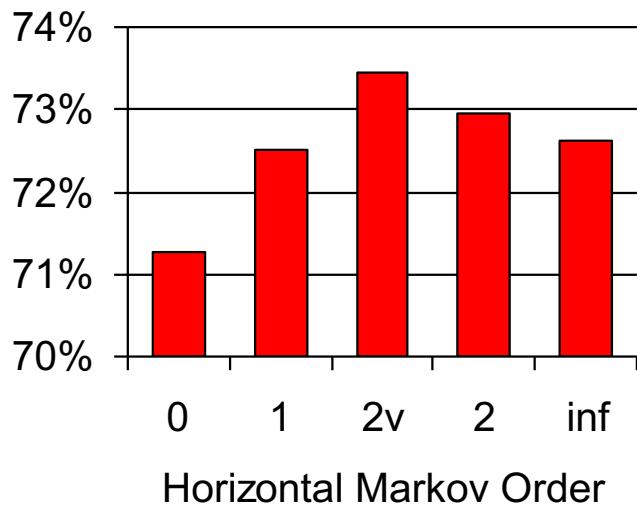
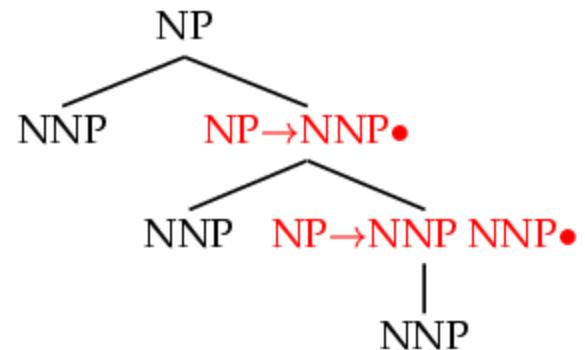


Horizontal Markovization

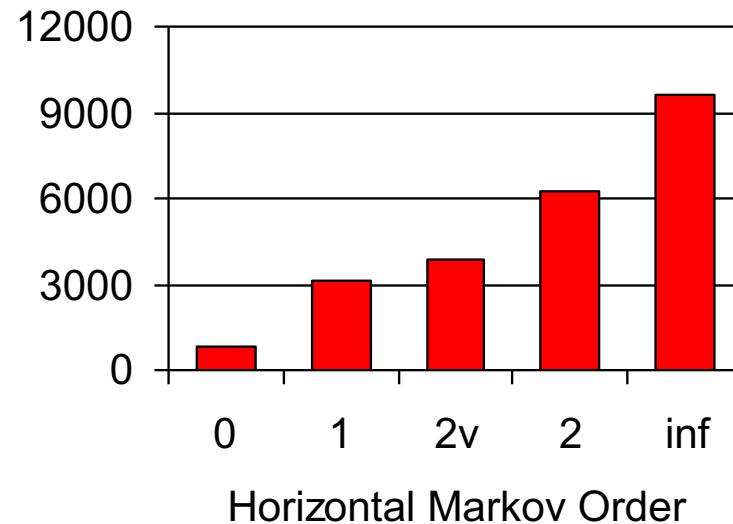
Order 1



Order ∞



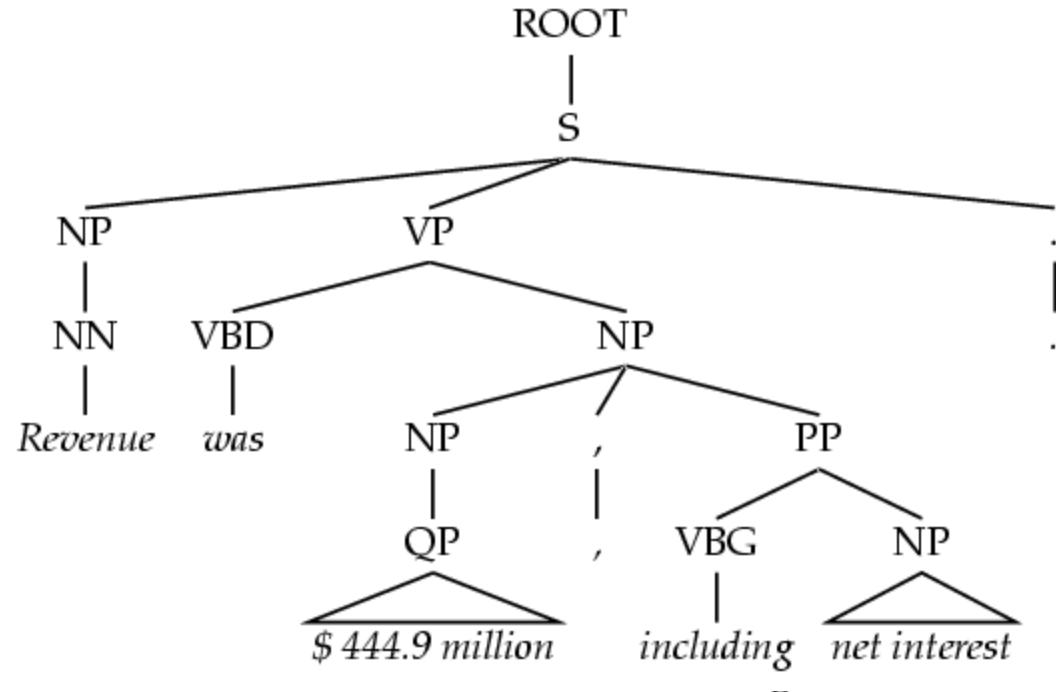
Symbols





Unary Splits

- Problem: unary rewrites used to transmute categories so a high-probability rule can be used.
- Solution: Mark unary rewrite sites with -U

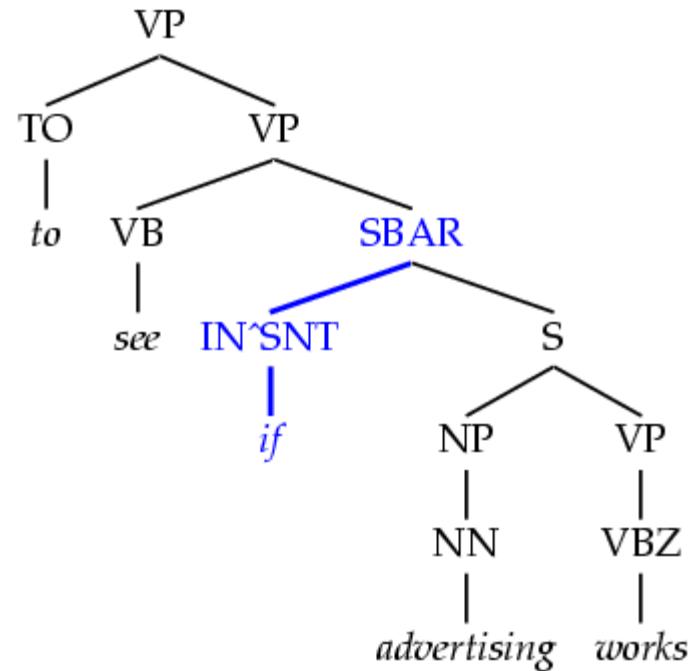


Annotation	F1	Size
Base	77.8	7.5K
UNARY	78.3	8.0K



Tag Splits

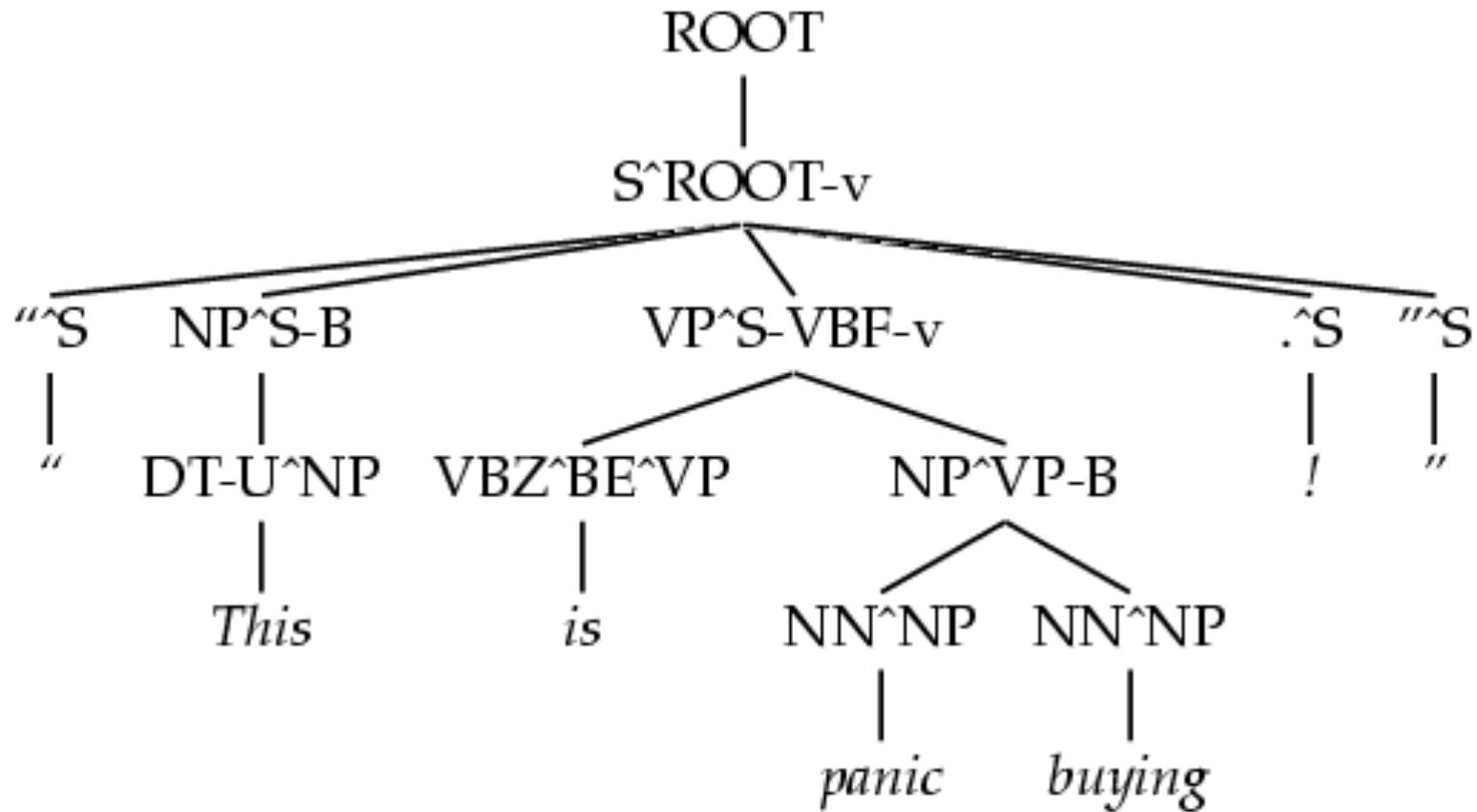
- Problem: Treebank tags are too coarse.
- Example: Sentential, PP, and other prepositions are all marked IN.
- Partial Solution:
 - Subdivide the IN tag.



Annotation	F1	Size
Previous	78.3	8.0K
SPLIT-IN	80.3	8.1K



A Fully Annotated (Unlex) Tree





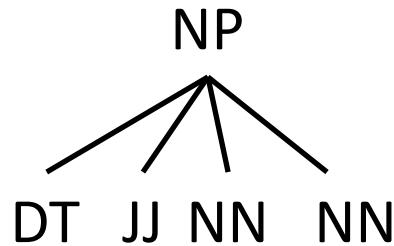
Some Test Set Results

Parser	LP	LR	F1	CB	0 CB
Magerman 95	84.9	84.6	84.7	1.26	56.6
Collins 96	86.3	85.8	86.0	1.14	59.9
Unlexicalized	86.9	85.7	86.3	1.10	60.3
Charniak 97	87.4	87.5	87.4	1.00	62.1
Collins 99	88.7	88.6	88.6	0.90	67.1

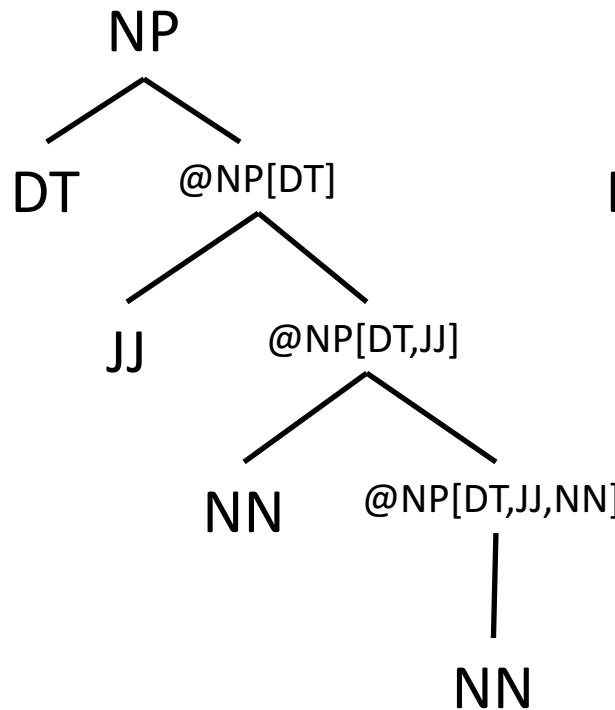
- Beats “first generation” lexicalized parsers.
- Lots of room to improve – more complex models next.



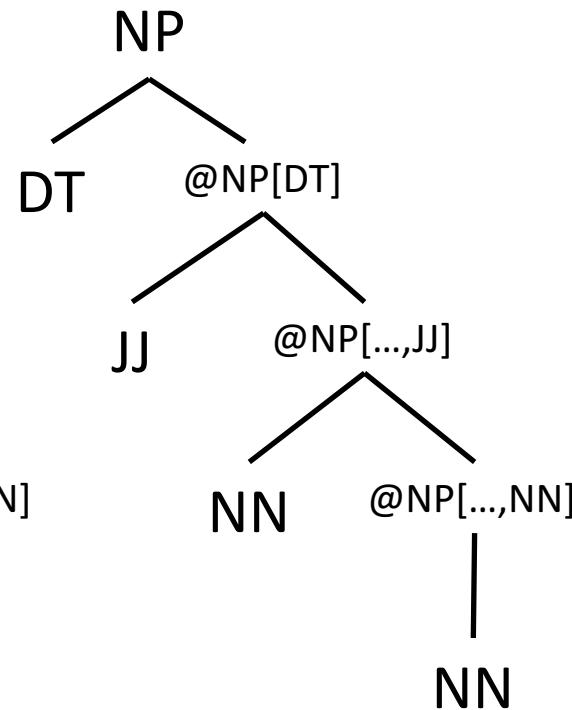
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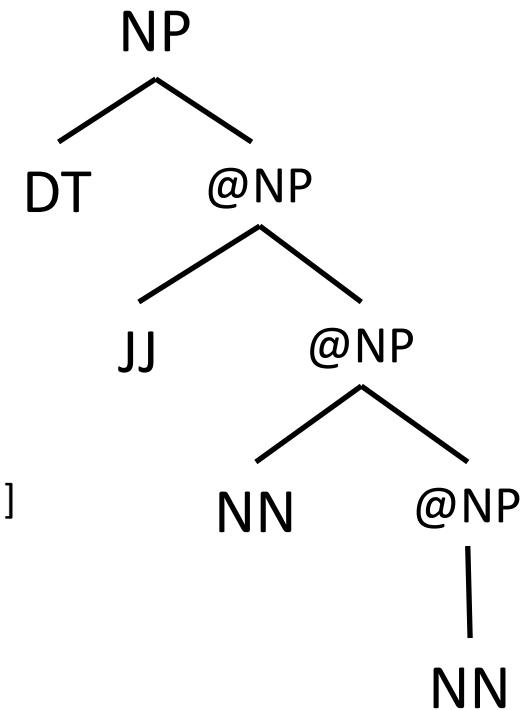
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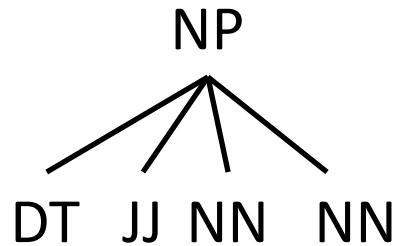


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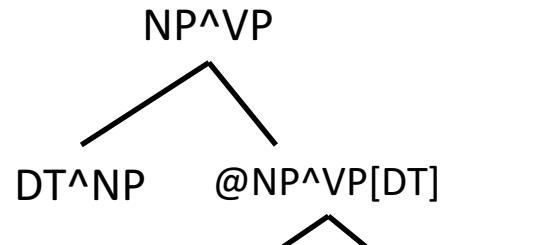




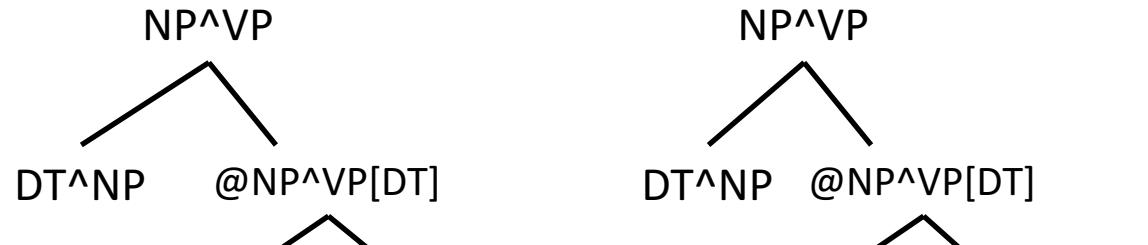
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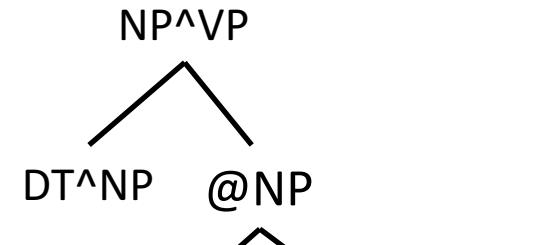
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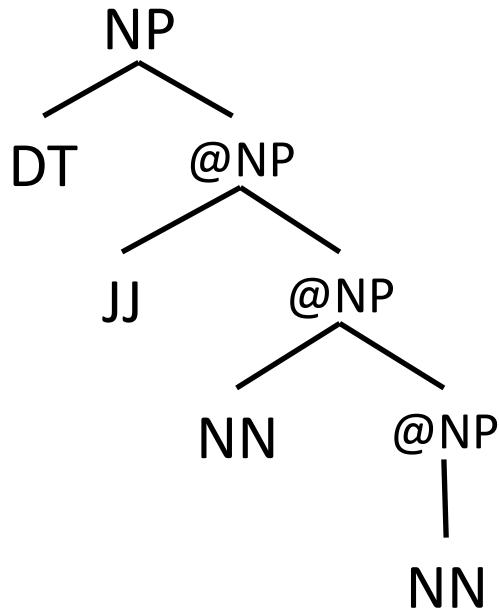
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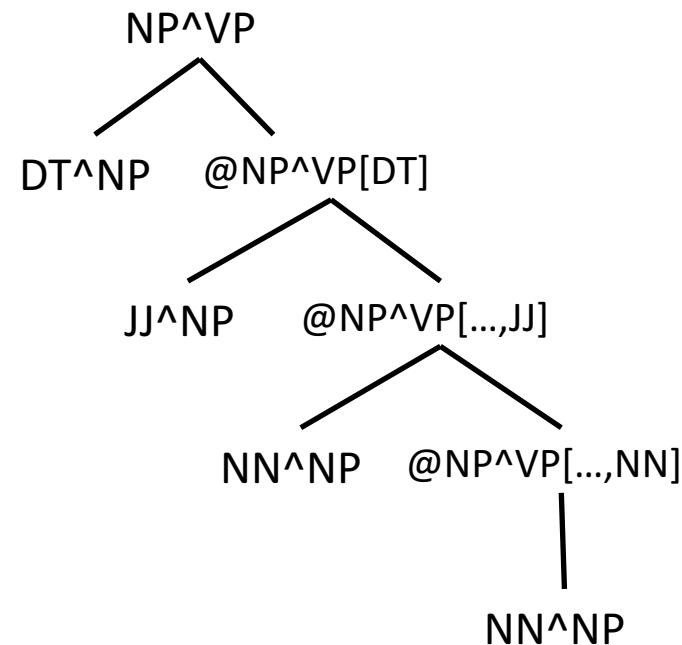
Grammar Projections

Coarse Grammar



$NP \rightarrow DT @NP$

Fine Grammar



$NP^VP \rightarrow DT^NP @NP^VP[DT]$

Note: X-Bar Grammars are projections with rules like $XP \rightarrow Y @X$ or $XP \rightarrow @X Y$ or $@X \rightarrow X$



Grammar Projections

Coarse Symbols

NP

@NP

DT

Fine Symbols

NP[^]VP

NP[^]S

@NP[^]VP[DT]

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Efficient Parsing for Structural Annotation

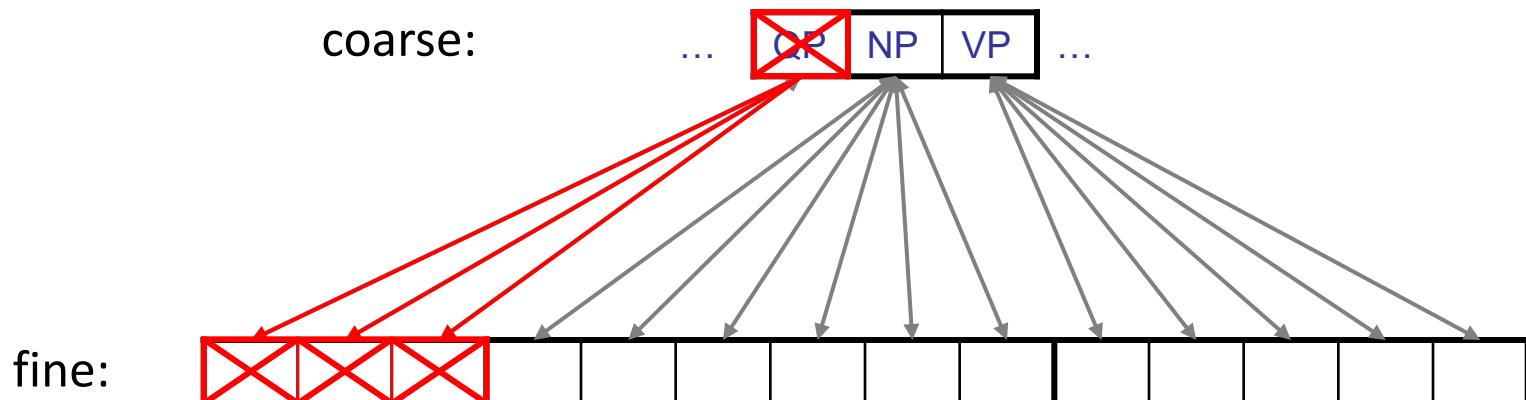


Coarse-to-Fine Pruning

For each coarse chart item $X[i, j]$, compute posterior probability:

$$P(X|i, j, S) < \text{threshold}$$

E.g. consider the span 5 to 12:



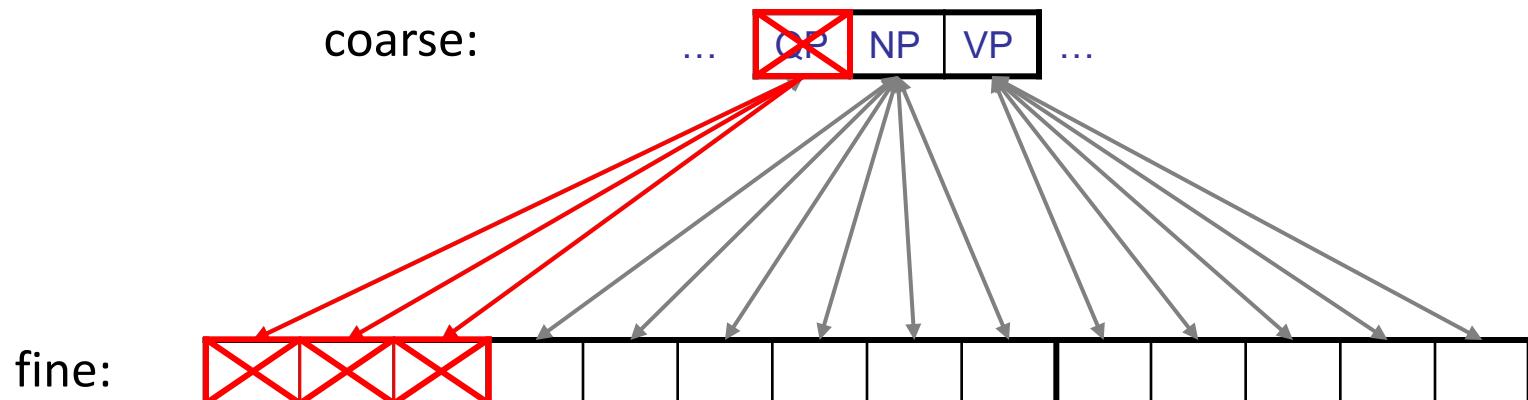


Coarse-to-Fine Pruning

For each coarse chart item $X[i,j]$, compute posterior probability:

$$\frac{\alpha(X, i, j) \cdot \beta(X, i, j)}{\alpha(\text{root}, 0, n)} < \text{threshold}$$

E.g. consider the span 5 to 12:





Computing Marginals

$$\alpha(X, i, j) = \sum_{X \rightarrow YZ} \sum_{k \in (i, j)} P(X \rightarrow YZ) \alpha(Y, i, k) \alpha(Z, k, j)$$

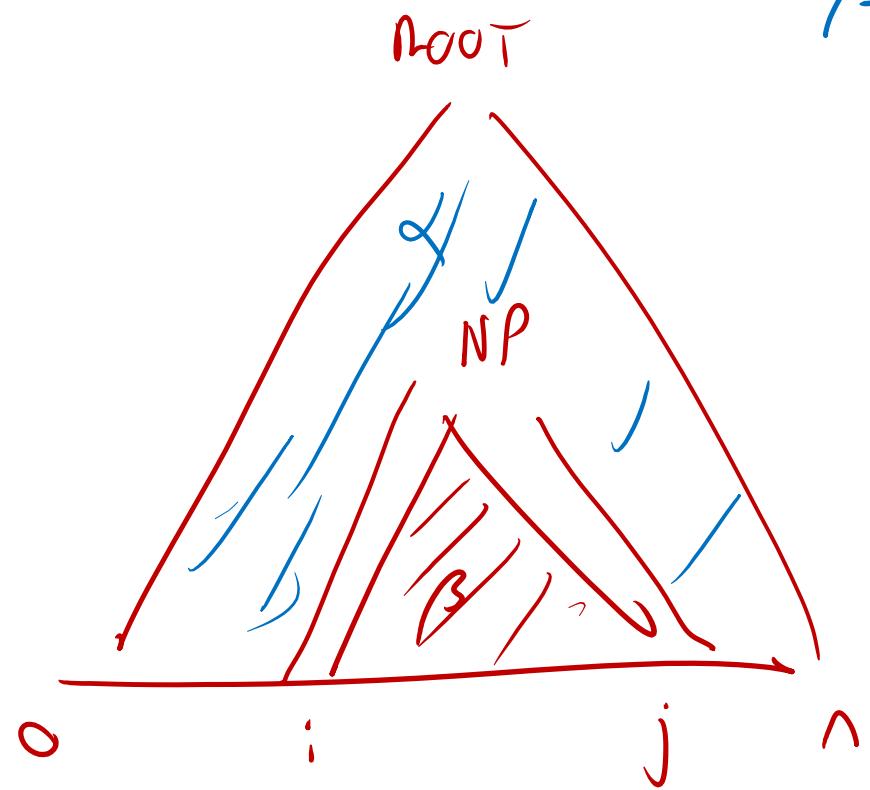


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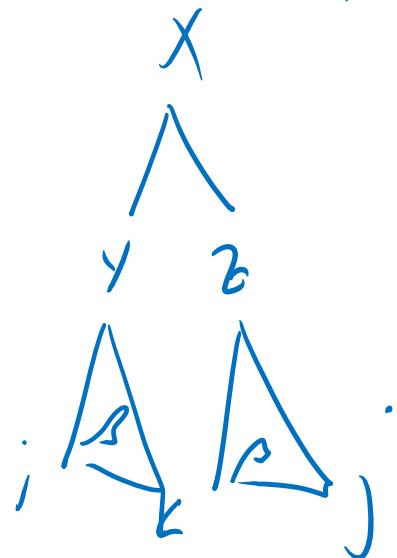
$$\begin{aligned}\beta(X, i, j) = & \sum_{Y \rightarrow ZX} \sum_{k \in [0, i)} P(Y \rightarrow ZX) \beta(Y, k, j) \alpha(B, k, i) \\ & + \sum_{Y \rightarrow XZ} \sum_{k \in (j, n]} P(Y \rightarrow XZ) \beta(Y, i, k) \alpha(Z, j, k)\end{aligned}$$



Computing (Max-)Marginals

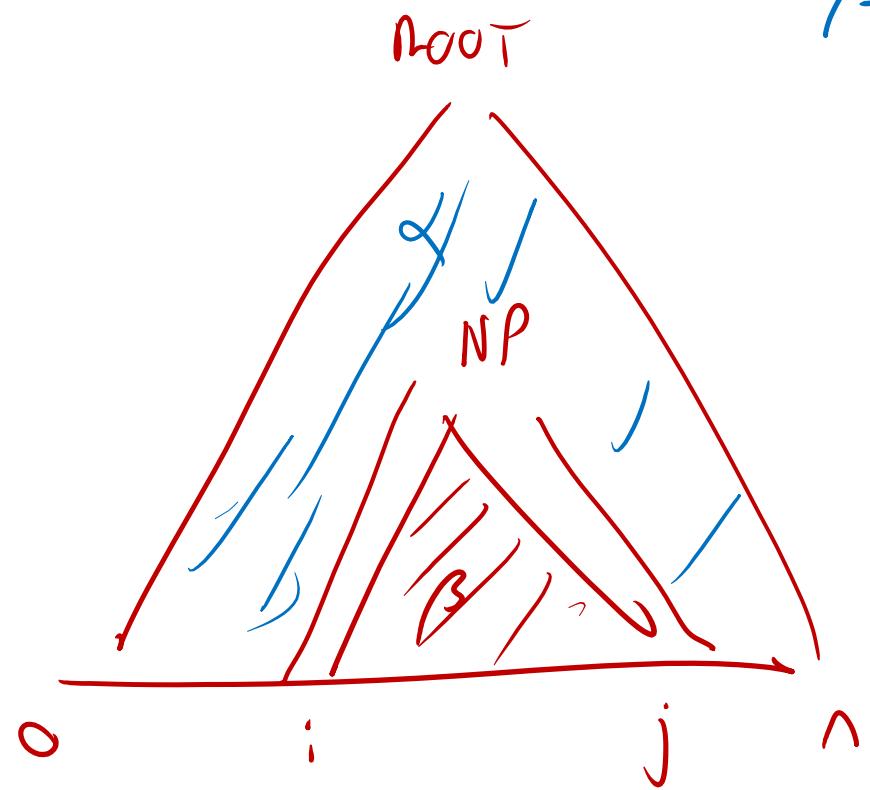


$$\beta(x, i, j) = \sum_{y, z} \sum_k p(yz|x) \cdot \beta(y, i, k) \cdot \beta(z, k, j)$$

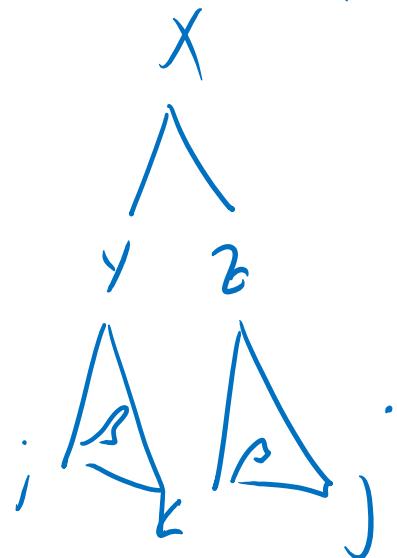




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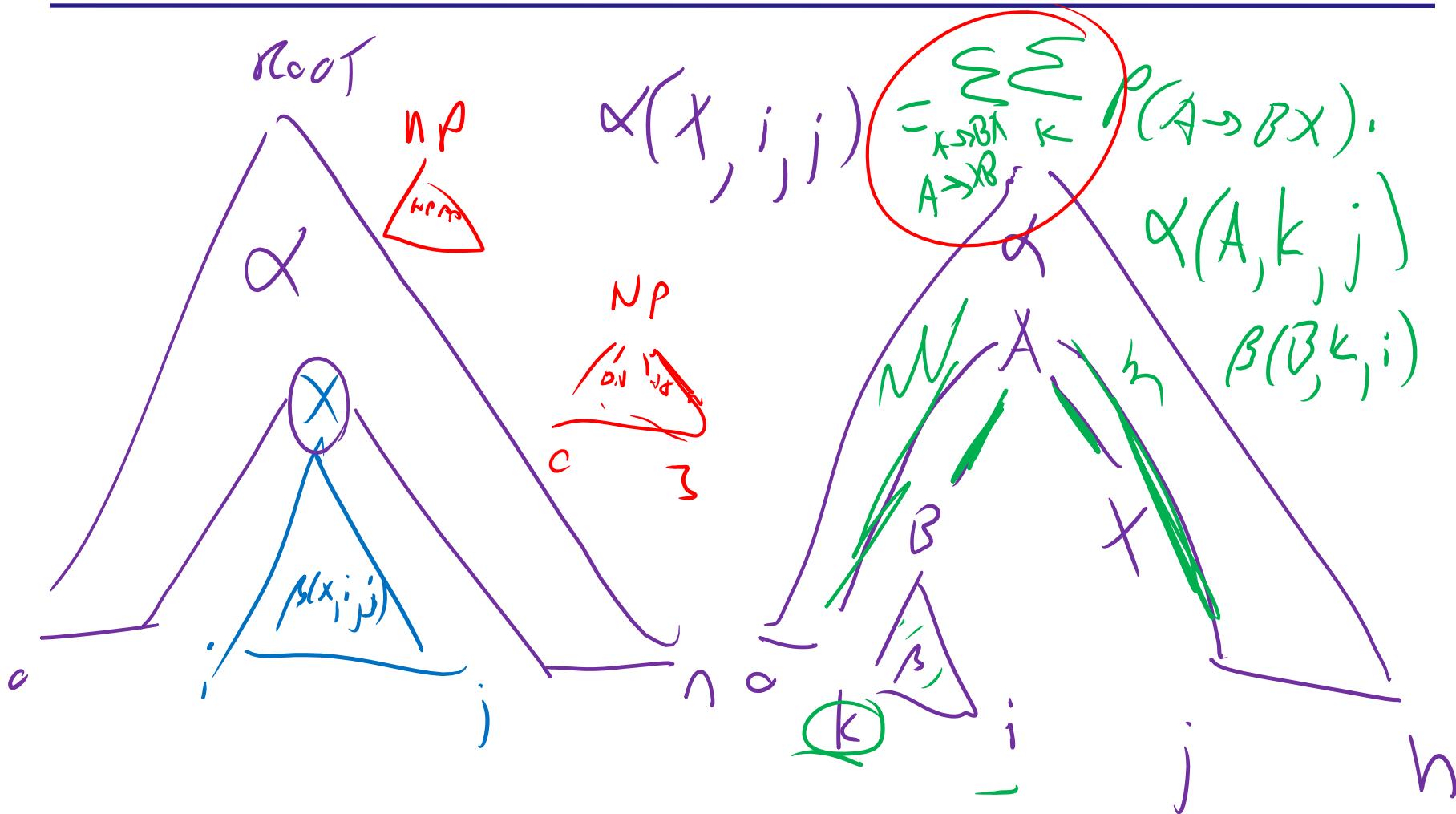


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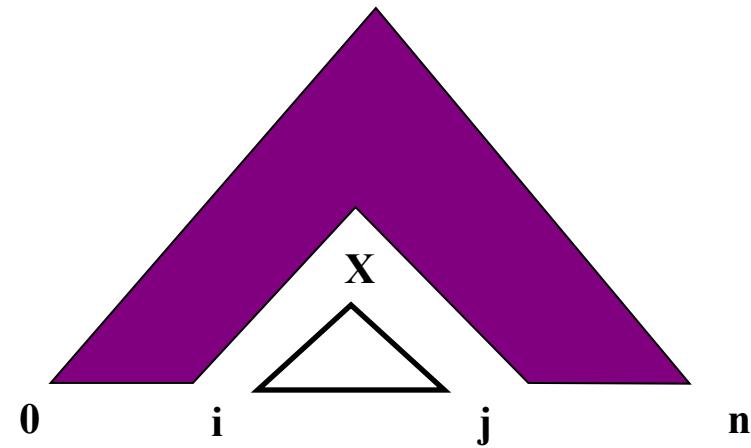
Inside and Outside Scores





Pruning with A*

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- For agenda-based parsers:
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 - If your figure-of-merit is a valid A* heuristic, no loss of optimality [Klein and Manning 03]

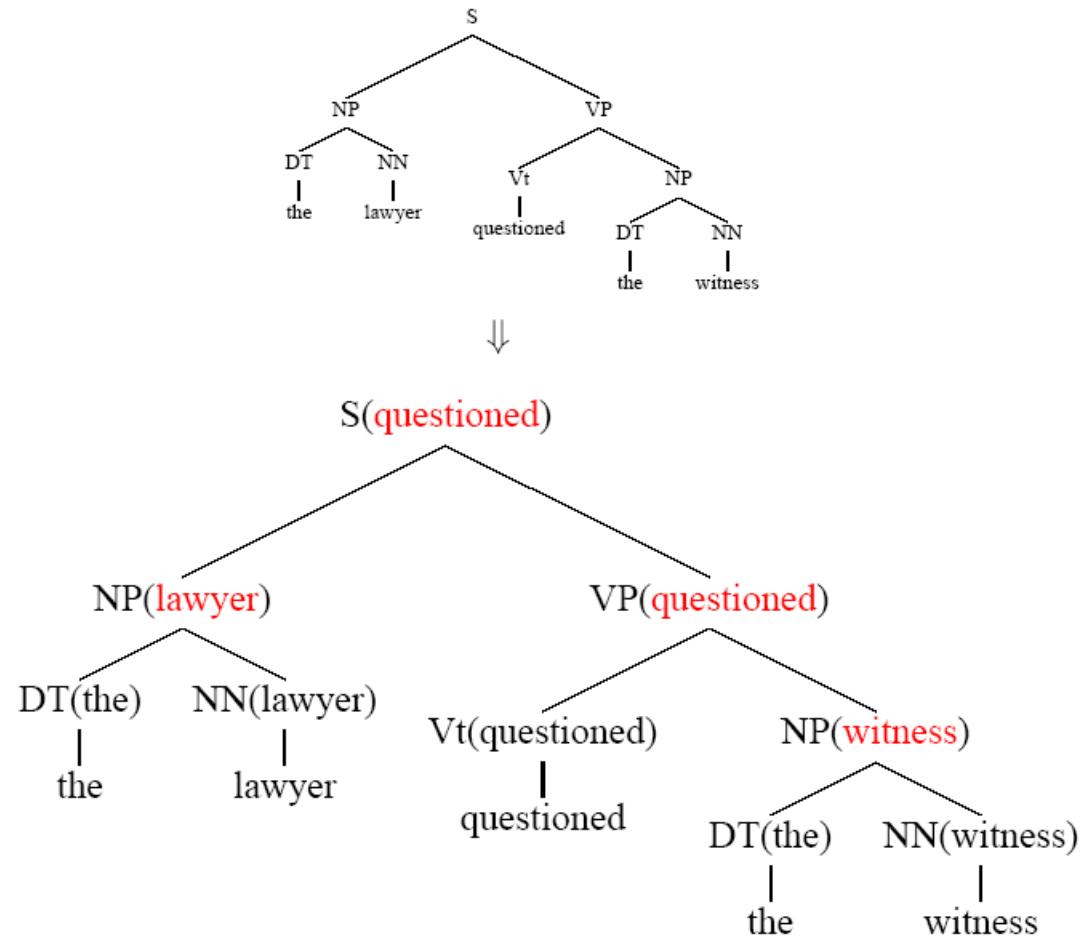


Efficient Parsing for Lexical Grammars



Lexicalized Trees

- Add “head words” to each phrasal node
 - Syntactic vs. semantic heads
 - Headship not in (most) treebanks
 - Usually *use head rules*, e.g.:
 - NP:
 - Take leftmost NP
 - Take rightmost N*
 - Take rightmost JJ
 - Take right child
 - VP:
 - Take leftmost VB*
 - Take leftmost VP
 - Take left child



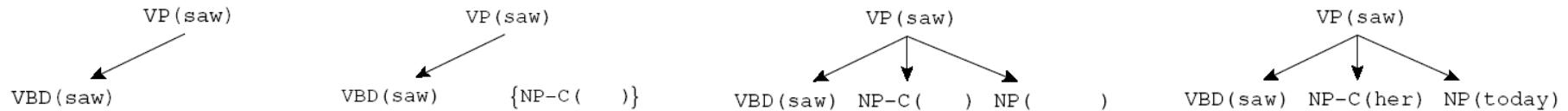


Lexicalized PCFGs?

- Problem: we now have to estimate probabilities like

$\text{VP}(\text{saw}) \rightarrow \text{VBD}(\text{saw}) \text{ NP-C(her)} \text{ NP(today)}$

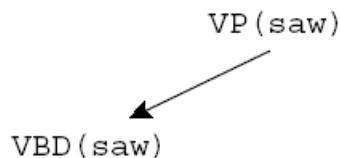
- Never going to get these atomically off of a treebank
- Solution: break up derivation into smaller steps



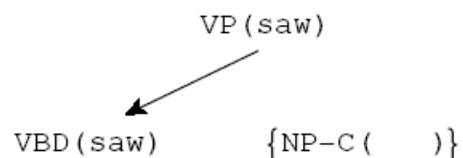


Lexical Derivation Steps

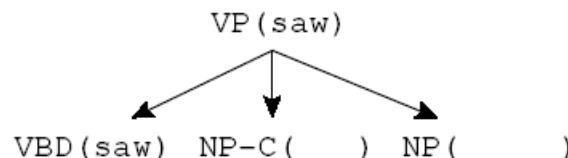
- A derivation of a local tree [Collins 99]



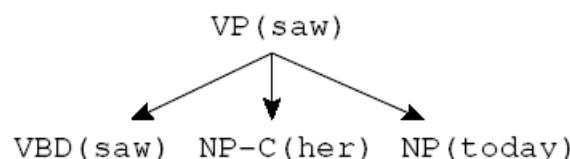
Choose a head tag and word



Choose a complement bag



Generate children (incl. adjuncts)



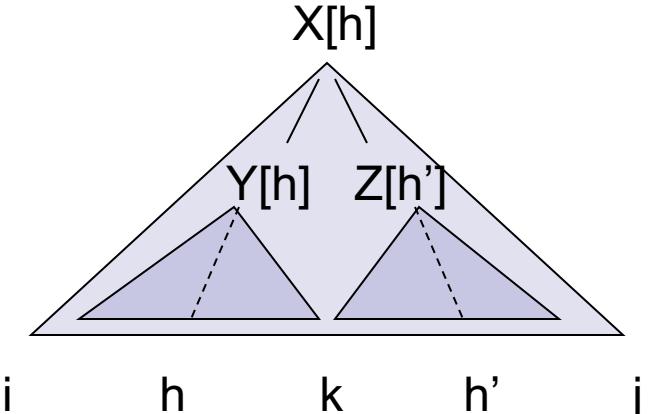
Recursively derive children



Lexicalized CKY

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(VP->VBD...NP •) [saw]
      /   \
(VP->VBD •) [saw]   NP[her]

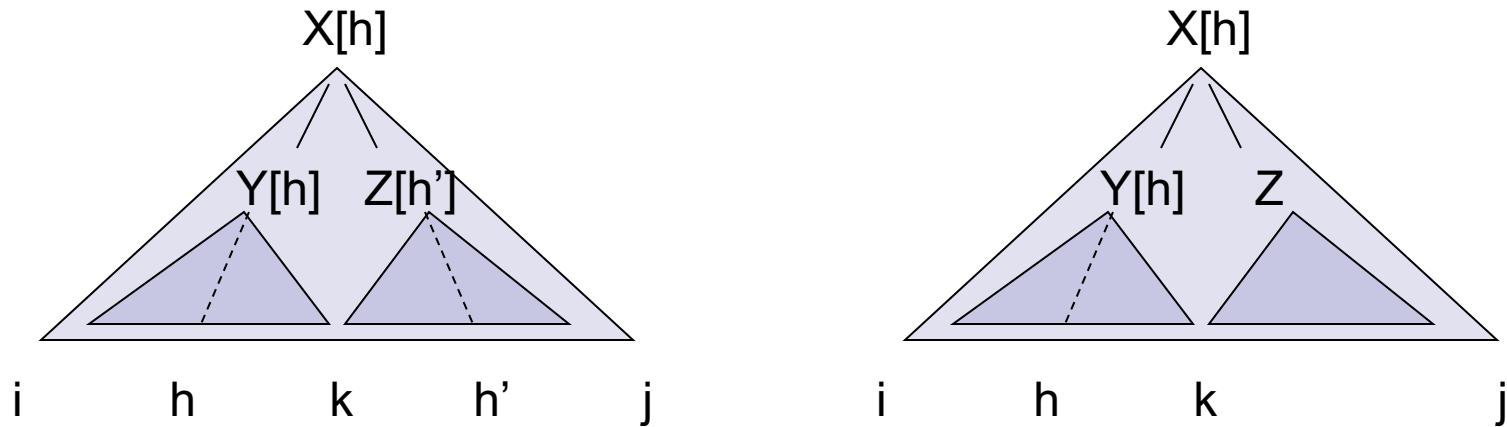
bestScore(X,i,j,h)
if (j = i+1)
    return tagScore(X,s[i])
else
    return
        maxk, h', X->YZ score(X[h]->Y[h] Z[h']) *
            bestScore(Y,i,k,h) *
            bestScore(Z,k,j,h')
        maxk, h', X->YZ score(X[h]->Y[h'] Z[h]) *
            bestScore(Y,i,k,h') *
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Quartic Parsing

- Turns out, you can do (a little) better [Eisner 99]

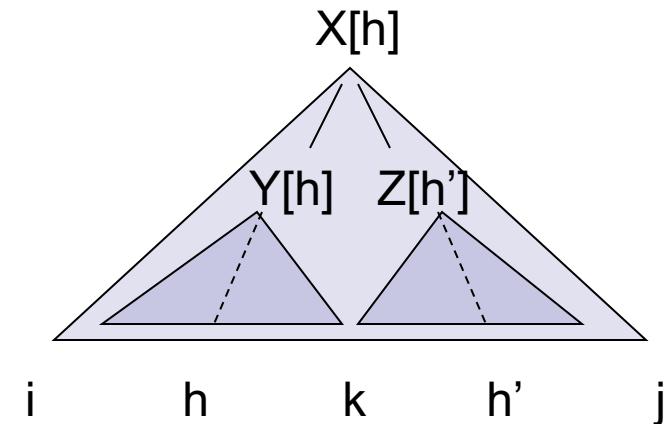


- Gives an $O(n^4)$ algorithm
- Still prohibitive in practice if not pruned



Pruning with Beams

- The Collins parser prunes with per-cell beams [Collins 99]
 - Essentially, run the $O(n^5)$ CKY
 - Remember only a few hypotheses for each span $\langle i, j \rangle$.
 - If we keep K hypotheses at each span, then we do at most $O(nK^2)$ work per span (why?)
 - Keeps things more or less cubic (and in practice is more like linear!)
- Also: certain spans are forbidden entirely on the basis of punctuation (crucial for speed)





Pruning with a PCFG

- The Charniak parser prunes using a two-pass, coarse-to-fine approach [Charniak 97+]
 - First, parse with the base grammar
 - For each $X:[i,j]$ calculate $P(X | i, j, s)$
 - This isn't trivial, and there are clever speed ups
 - Second, do the full $O(n^5)$ CKY
 - Skip any $X :[i,j]$ which had low (say, < 0.0001) posterior
 - Avoids almost all work in the second phase!
- Charniak et al 06: can use more passes
- Petrov et al 07: can use many more passes



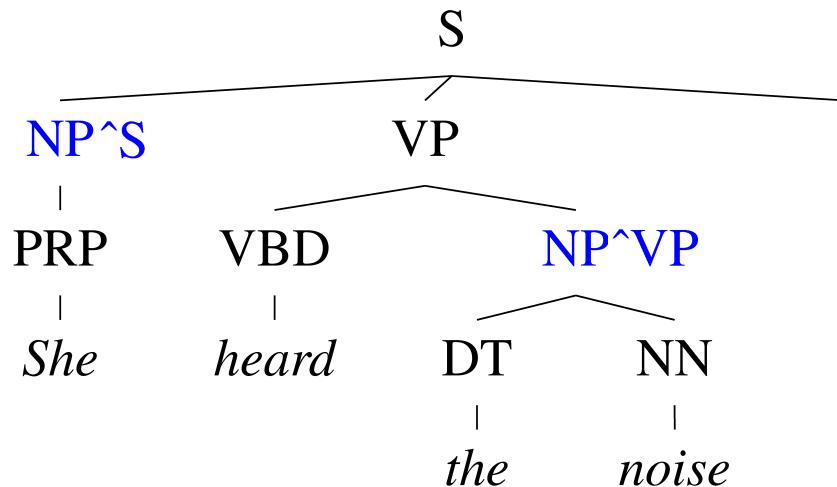
Results

- Some results
 - Collins 99 – 88.6 F1 (generative lexical)
 - Charniak and Johnson 05 – 89.7 / 91.3 F1 (generative lexical / reranked)
 - Petrov et al 06 – 90.7 F1 (generative unlexical)
 - McClosky et al 06 – 92.1 F1 (gen + rerank + self-train)

Latent Variable PCFGs



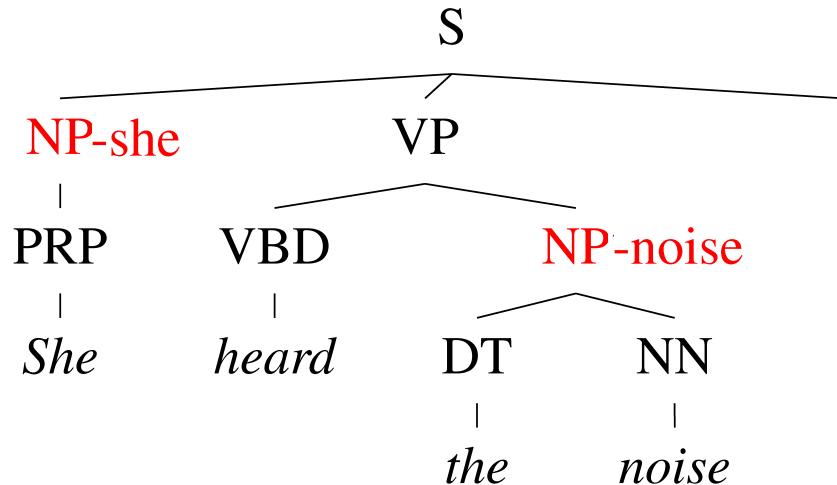
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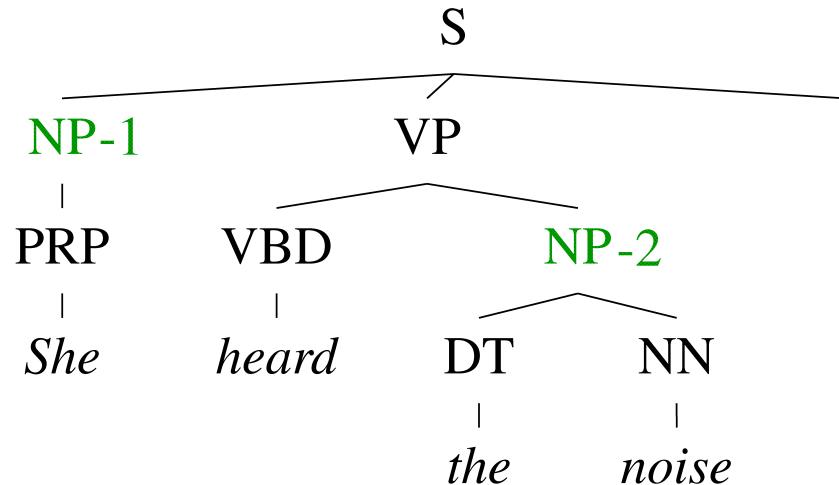
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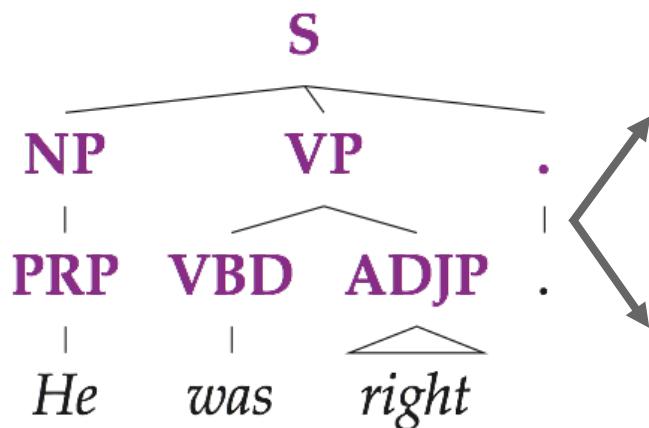
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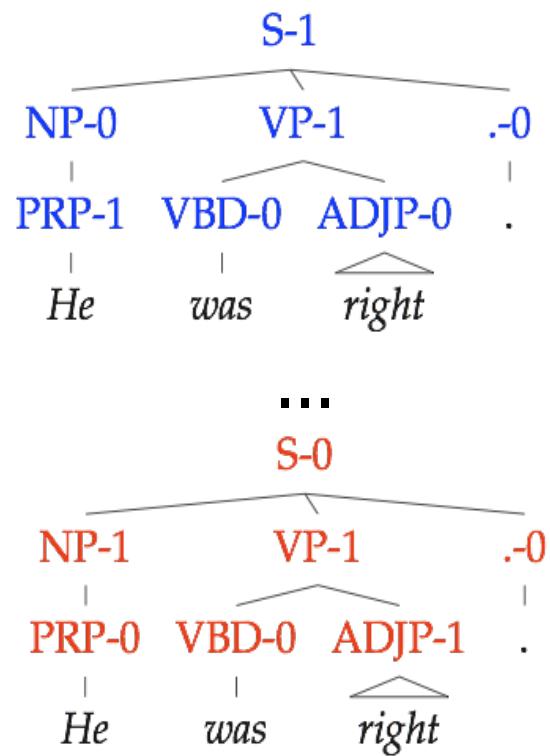
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 - Automatic clustering?



Latent Variable Grammars



Parse Tree T
Sentence w



Derivations $t : T$

Grammar G		
Lexicon		
$S_0 \rightarrow NP_0 VP_0$?	
$S_0 \rightarrow NP_1 VP_0$?	
$S_0 \rightarrow NP_0 VP_1$?	
$S_0 \rightarrow NP_1 VP_1$?	
$S_1 \rightarrow NP_0 VP_0$?	
...		
$S_1 \rightarrow NP_1 VP_1$?	
...		
$NP_0 \rightarrow PRP_0$?	
$NP_0 \rightarrow PRP_1$?	
...		
$PRP_0 \rightarrow She$?	
$PRP_1 \rightarrow She$?	
...		
$VBD_0 \rightarrow was$?	
$VBD_1 \rightarrow was$?	
$VBD_2 \rightarrow was$?	

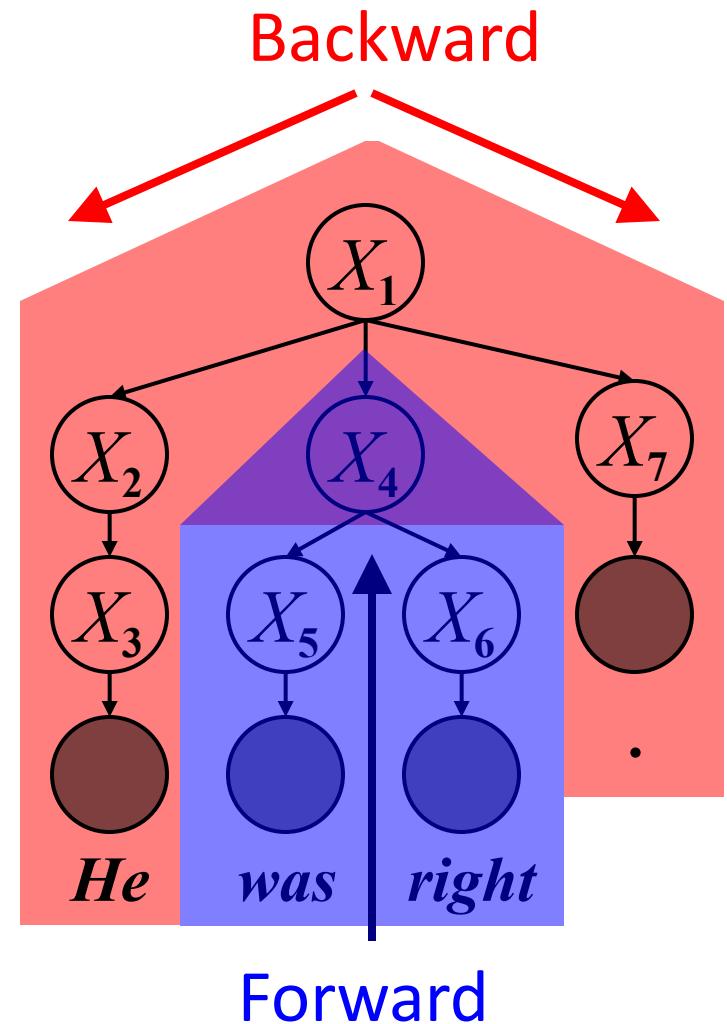
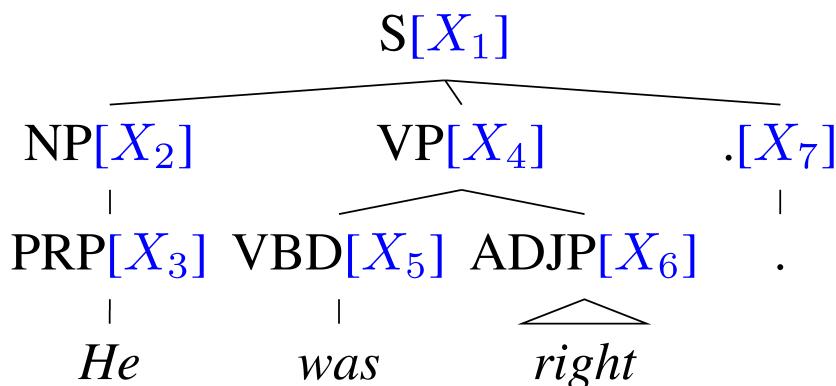
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Learning Latent Annotations

EM algorithm:

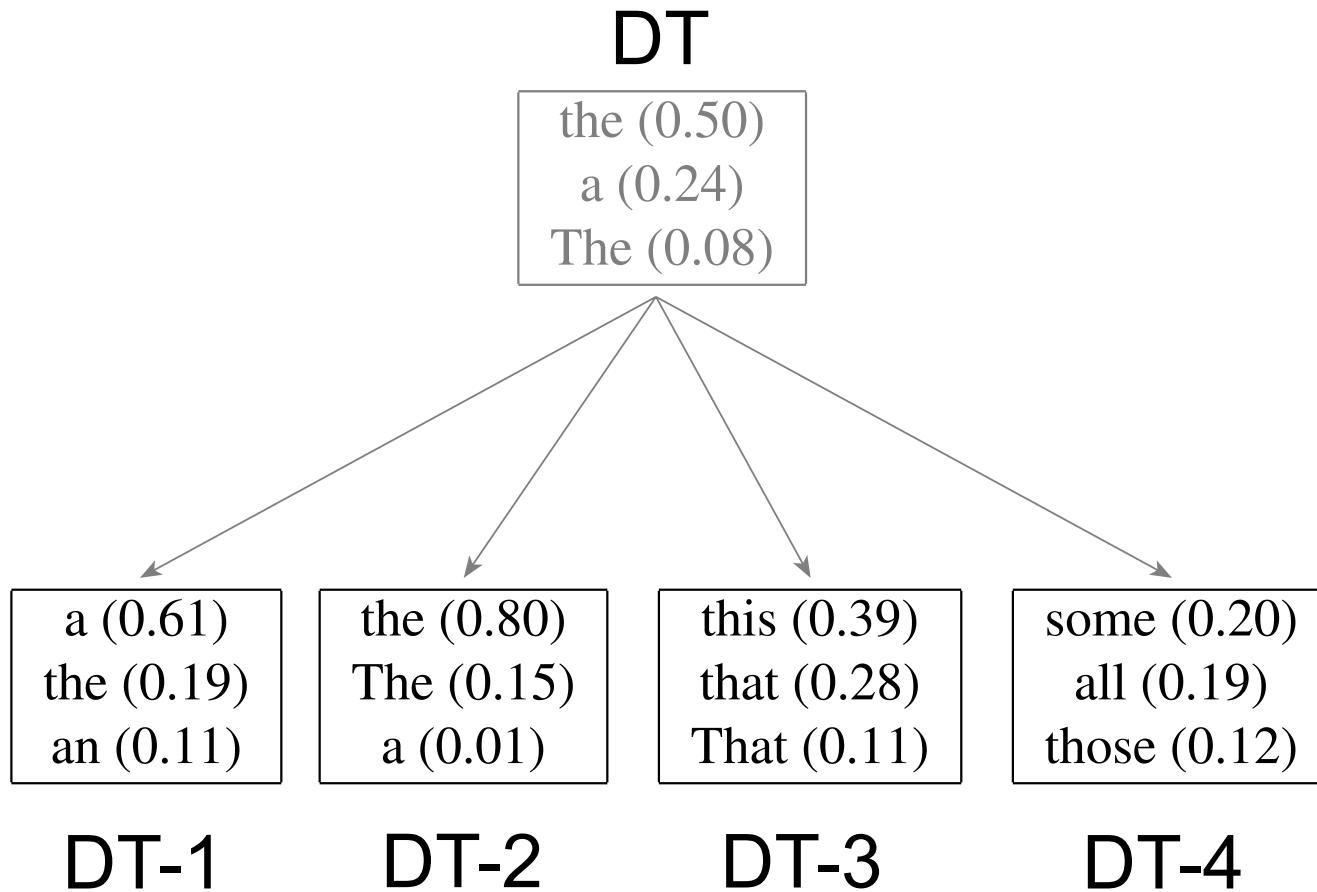
- Brackets are known
- Base categories are known
- Only induce subcategories



Just like Forward-Backward for HMMs.

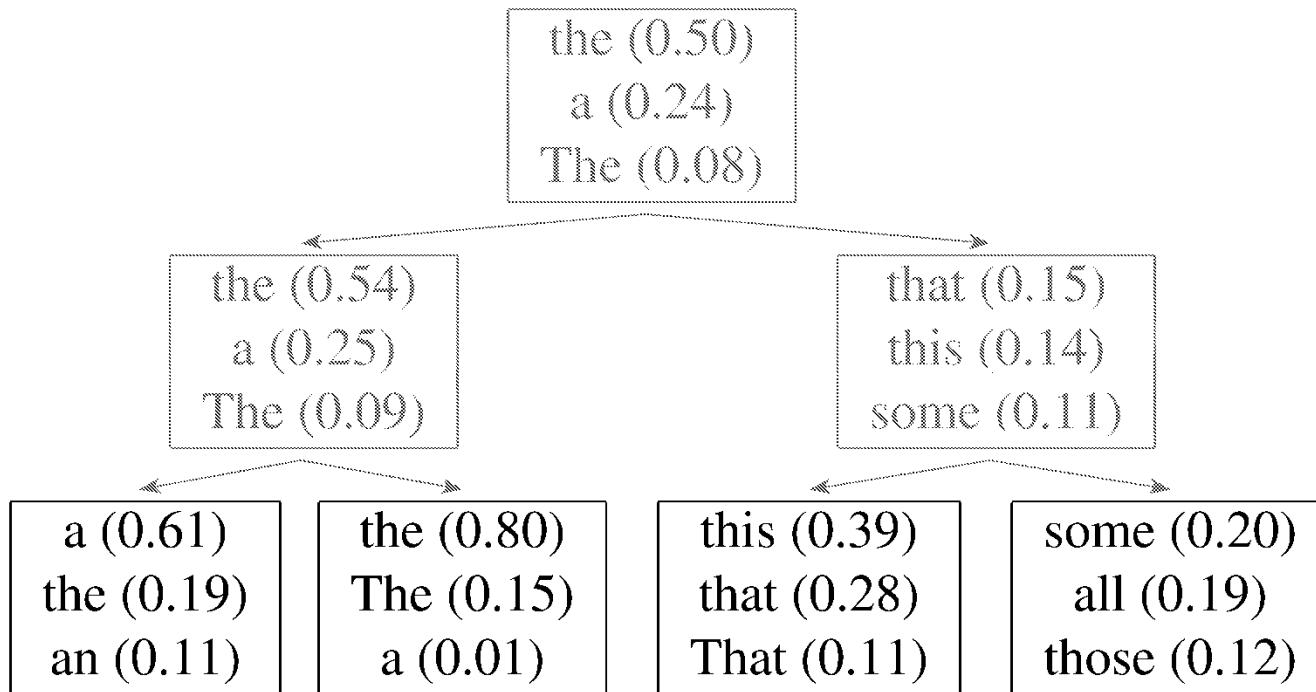


Refinement of the DT tag



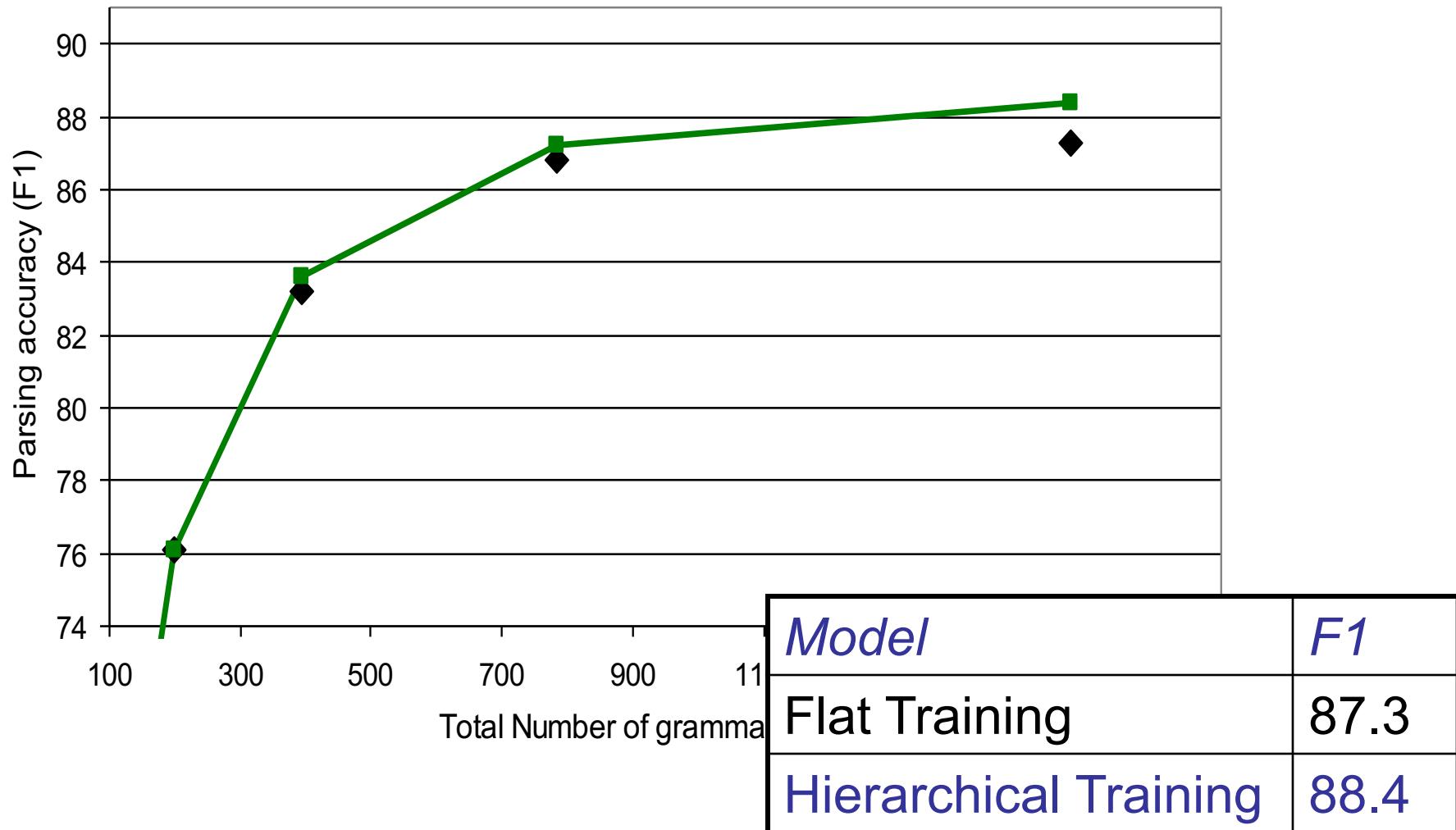


Hierarchical refinement





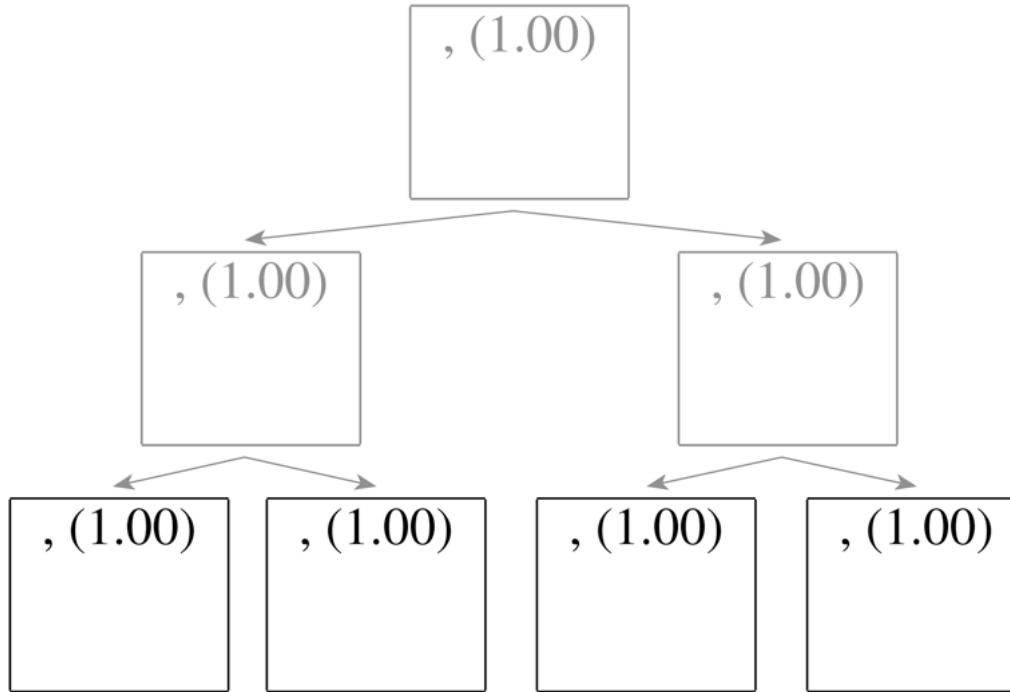
Hierarchical Estimation Results





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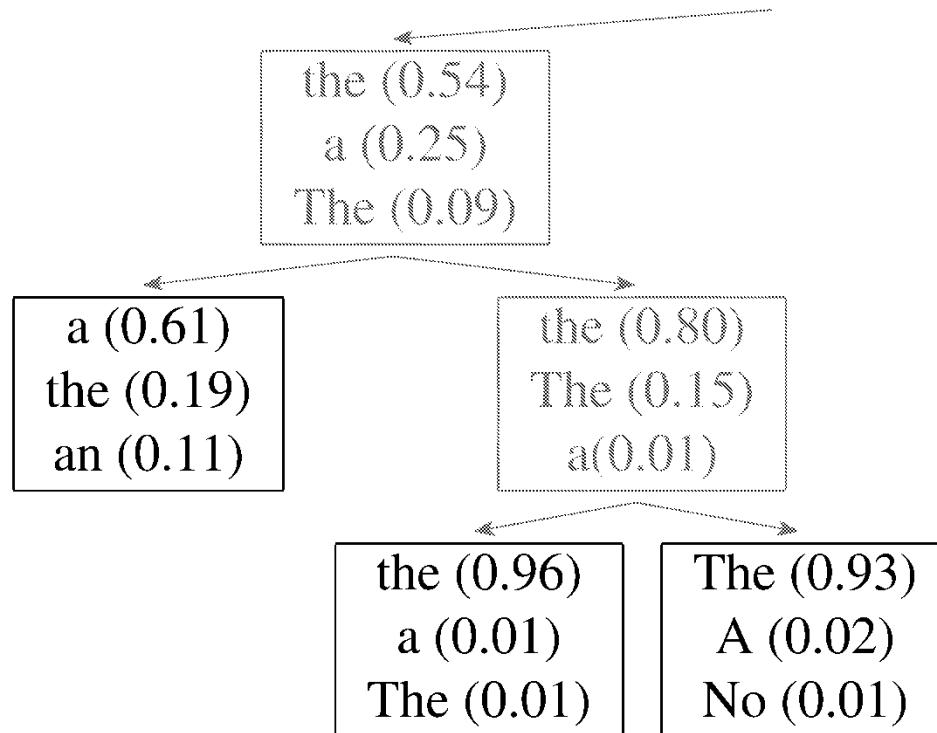
- Splitting all categories equally is wasteful:





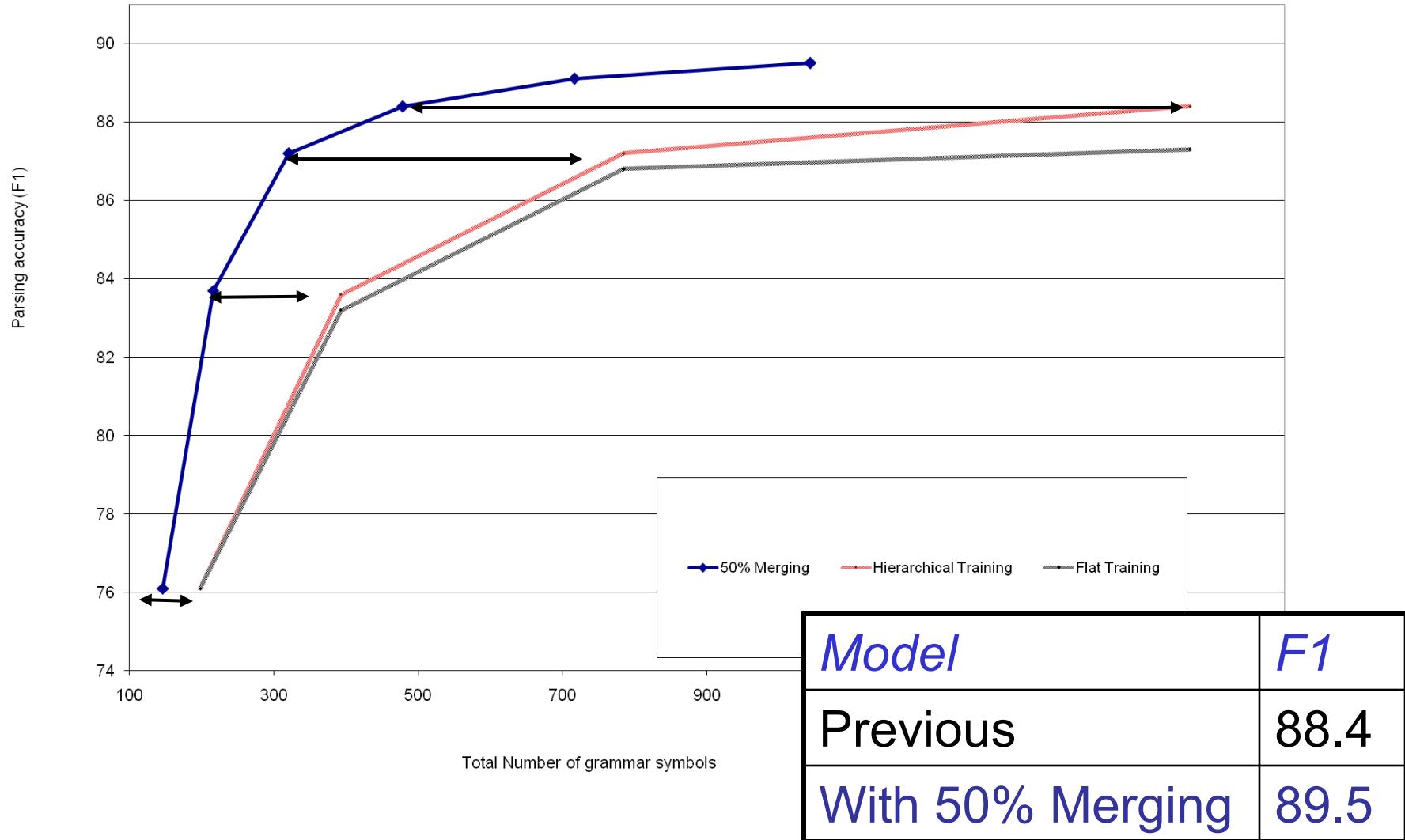
Adaptive Splitting

- Want to split complex categories more
- Idea: split everything, roll back splits which were least useful



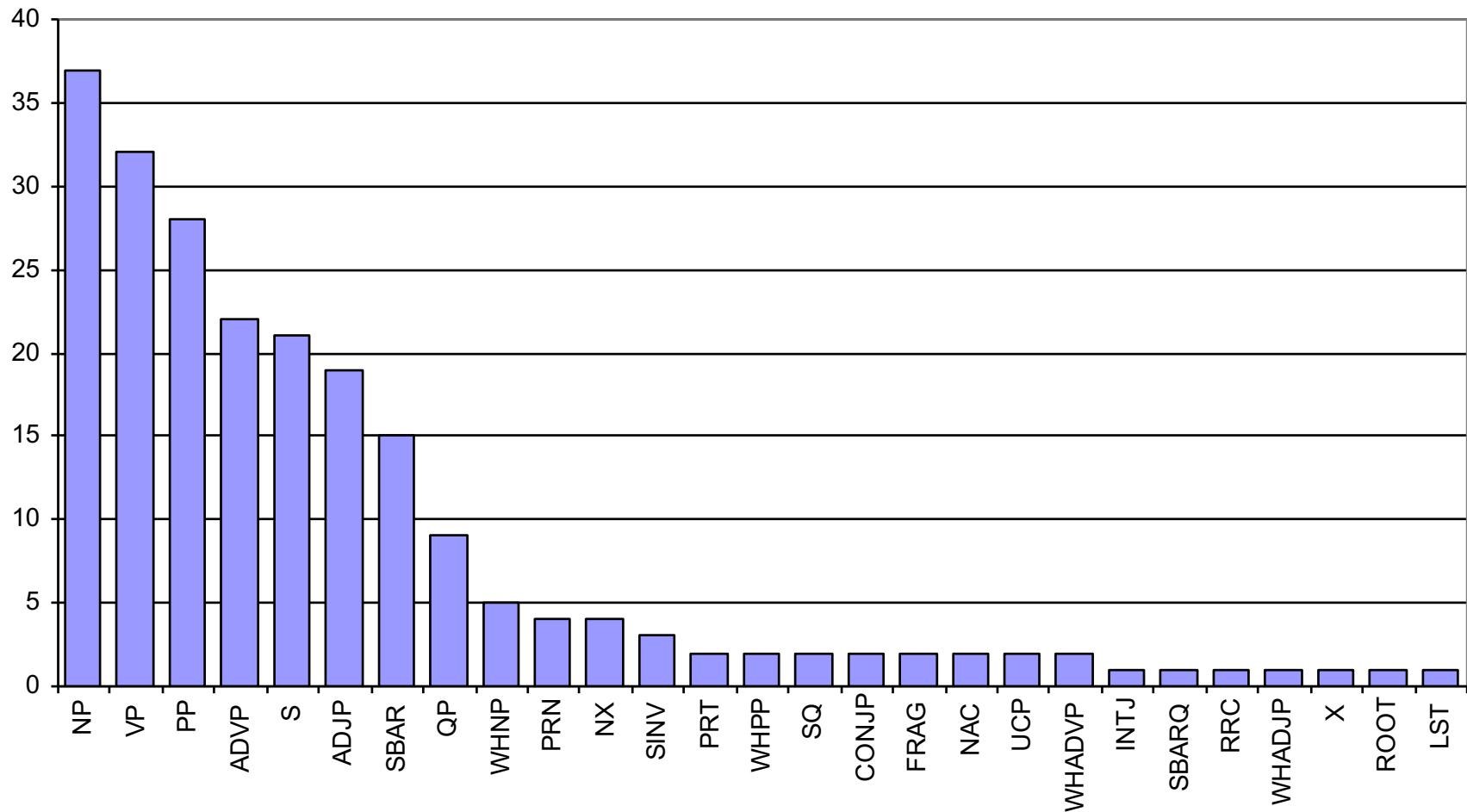


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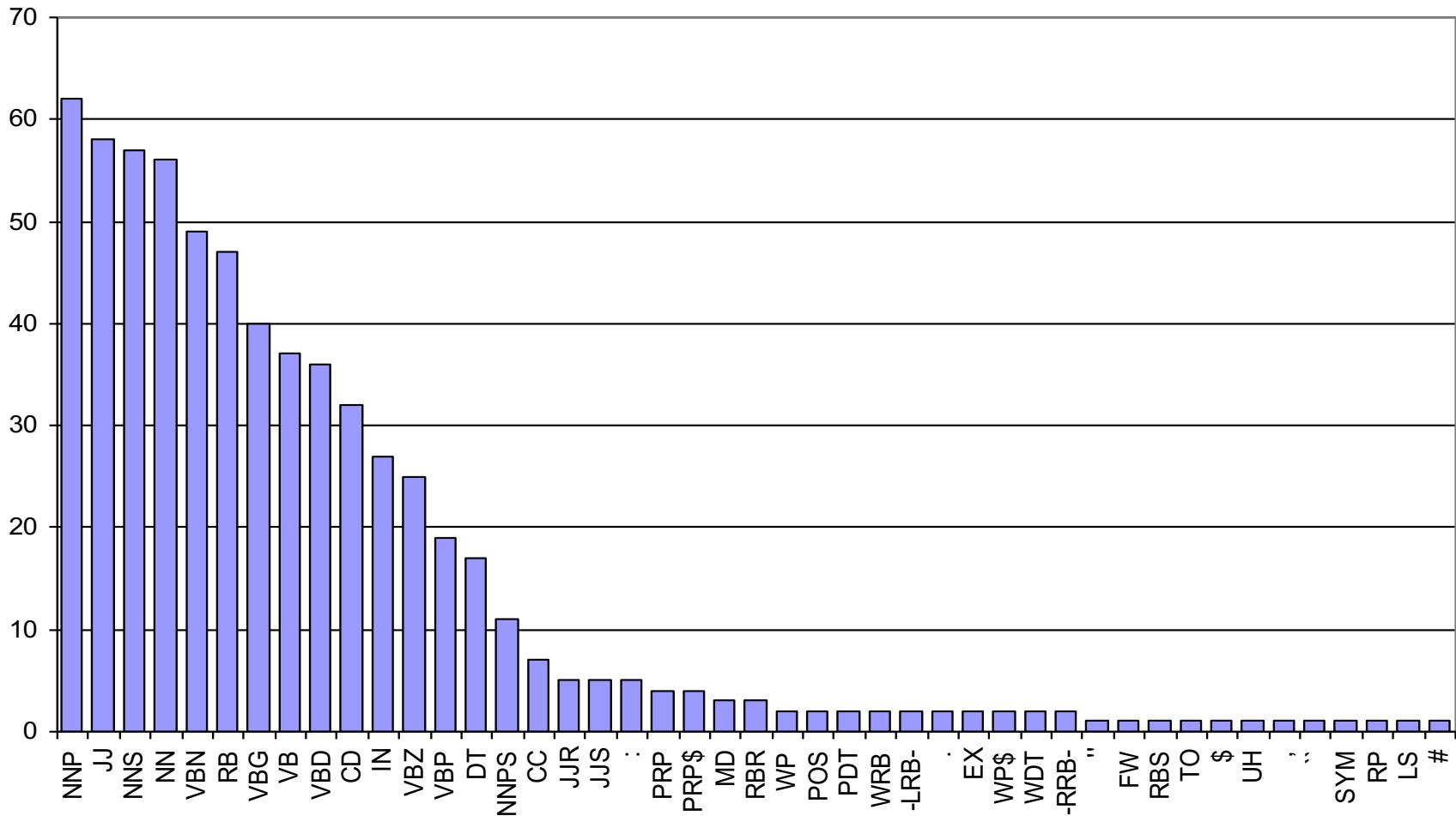


Number of Phrasal Subcategories





Number of Lexical Subcategories





Learned Splits

- Proper Nouns (NNP):

NNP-14	Oct.	Nov.	Sept.
NNP-12	John	Robert	James
NNP-2	J.	E.	L.
NNP-1	Bush	Noriega	Peters
NNP-15	New	San	Wall
NNP-3	York	Francisco	Street

- Personal pronouns (PRP):

PRP-0	It	He	I
PRP-1	it	he	they
PRP-2	it	them	him



Learned Splits

- Relative adverbs (RBR):

RBR-0	further	lower	higher
RBR-1	more	less	More
RBR-2	earlier	Earlier	later

- Cardinal Numbers (CD):

CD-7	one	two	Three
CD-4	1989	1990	1988
CD-11	million	billion	trillion
CD-0	1	50	100
CD-3	1	30	31
CD-9	78	58	34



Final Results (Accuracy)

		≤ 40 words F1	all F1
ENG	Charniak&Johnson '05 (generative)	90.1	89.6
	Split / Merge	90.6	90.1
GER	Dubey '05	76.3	-
	Split / Merge	80.8	80.1
CHN	Chiang et al. '02	80.0	76.6
	Split / Merge	86.3	83.4

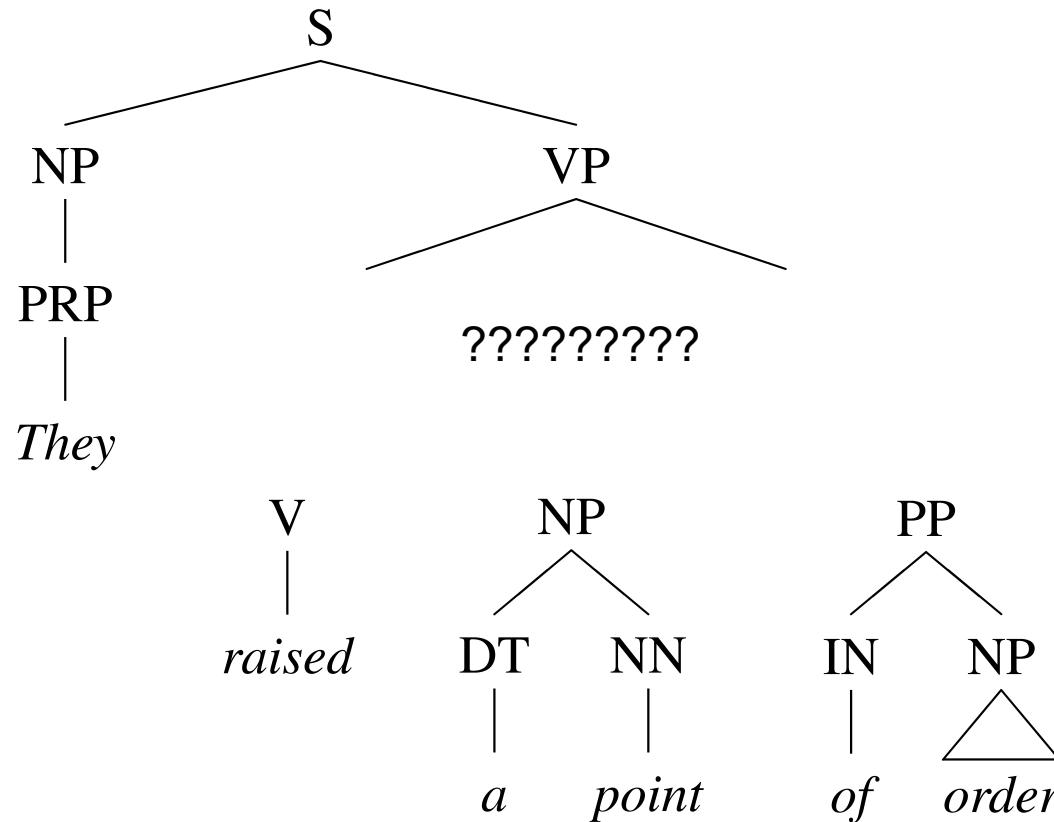
Still higher numbers from reranking / self-training methods

Efficient Parsing for Hierarchical Grammars



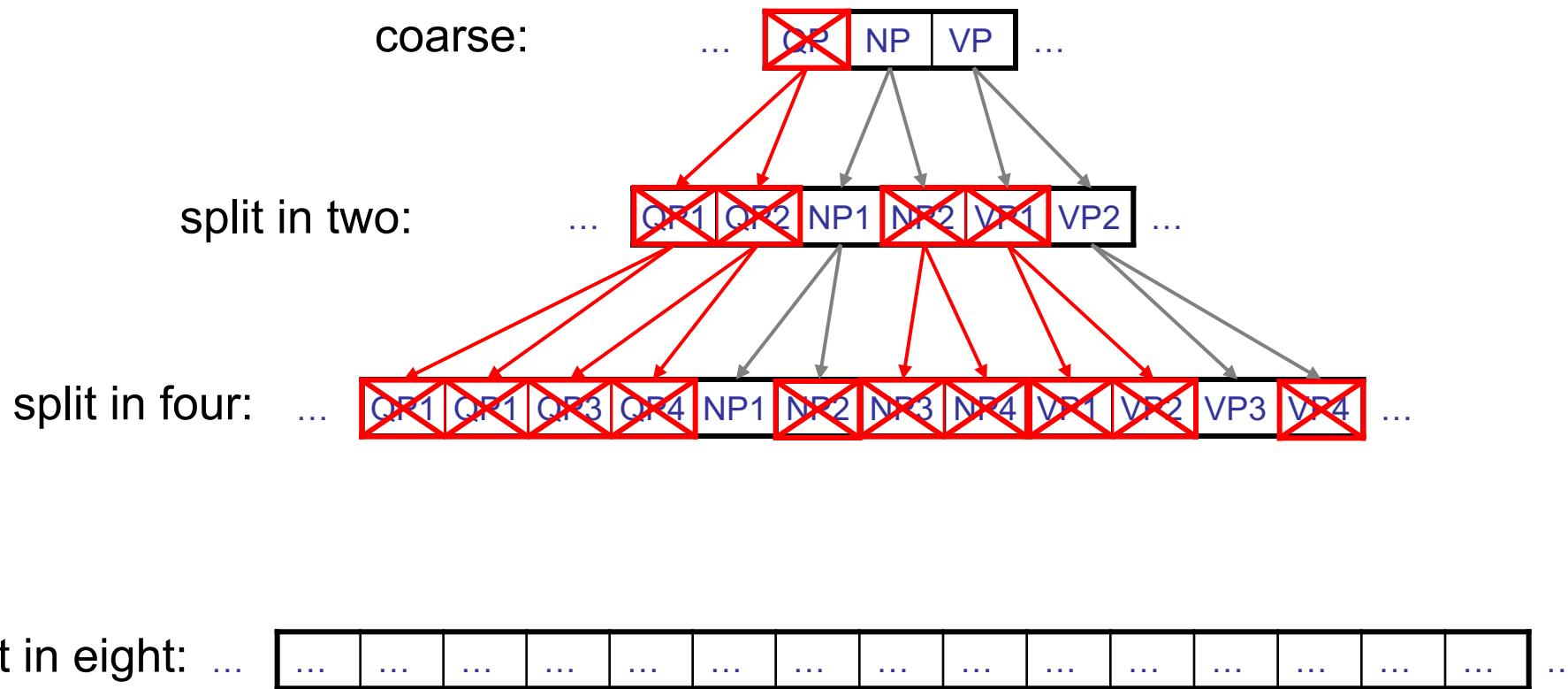
Coarse-to-Fine Inference

- Example: PP attachment





Hierarchical Pruning





Bracket Posteriors

Influential members of the House Ways and Means Committee introduced legislation that would restrict how the new S&I bailout agency can raise capital ; creating another potential obstacle to the government's sale of sick thrifts



1621 min

111 min

35 min

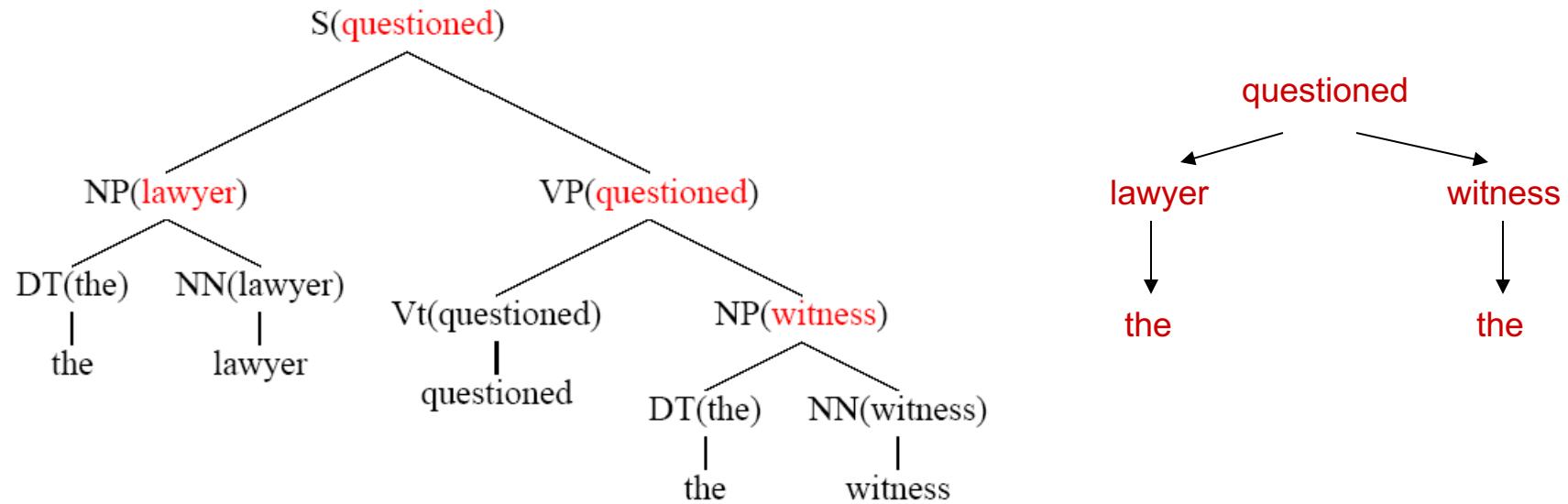
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Other Syntactic Models



Dependency Parsing

- Lexicalized parsers can be seen as producing *dependency trees*

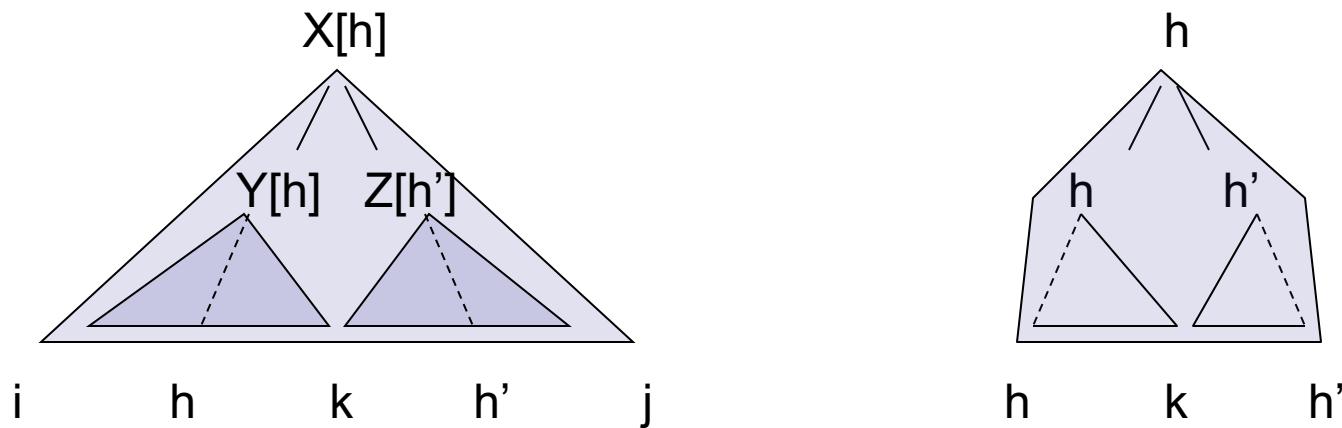


- Each local binary tree corresponds to an attachment in the dependency graph

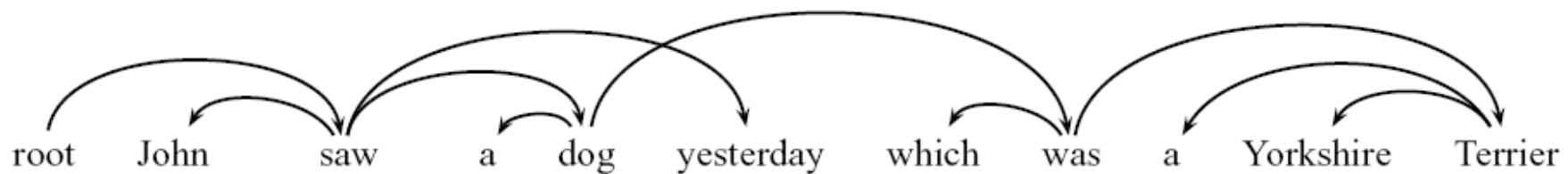


Dependency Parsing

- Pure dependency parsing is only cubic [Eisner 99]



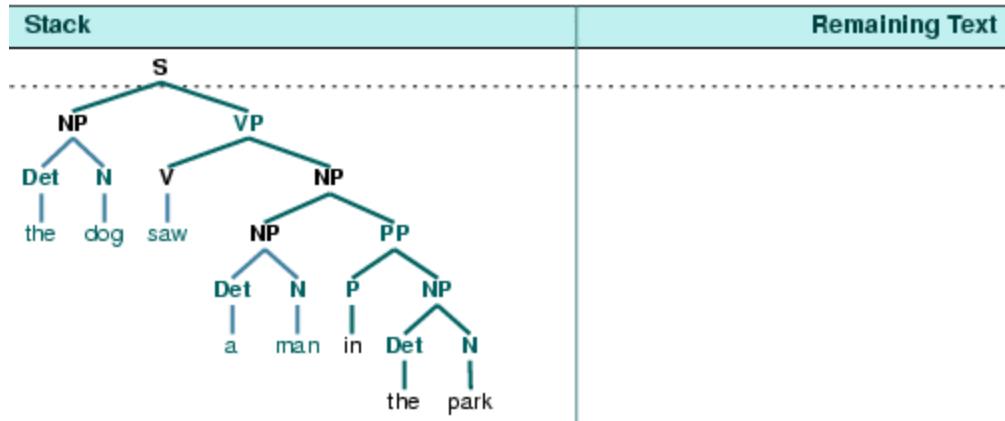
- Some work on *non-projective* dependencies
 - Common in, e.g. Czech parsing
 - Can do with MST algorithms [McDonald and Pereira 05]





Shift-Reduce Parsers

- Another way to derive a tree:

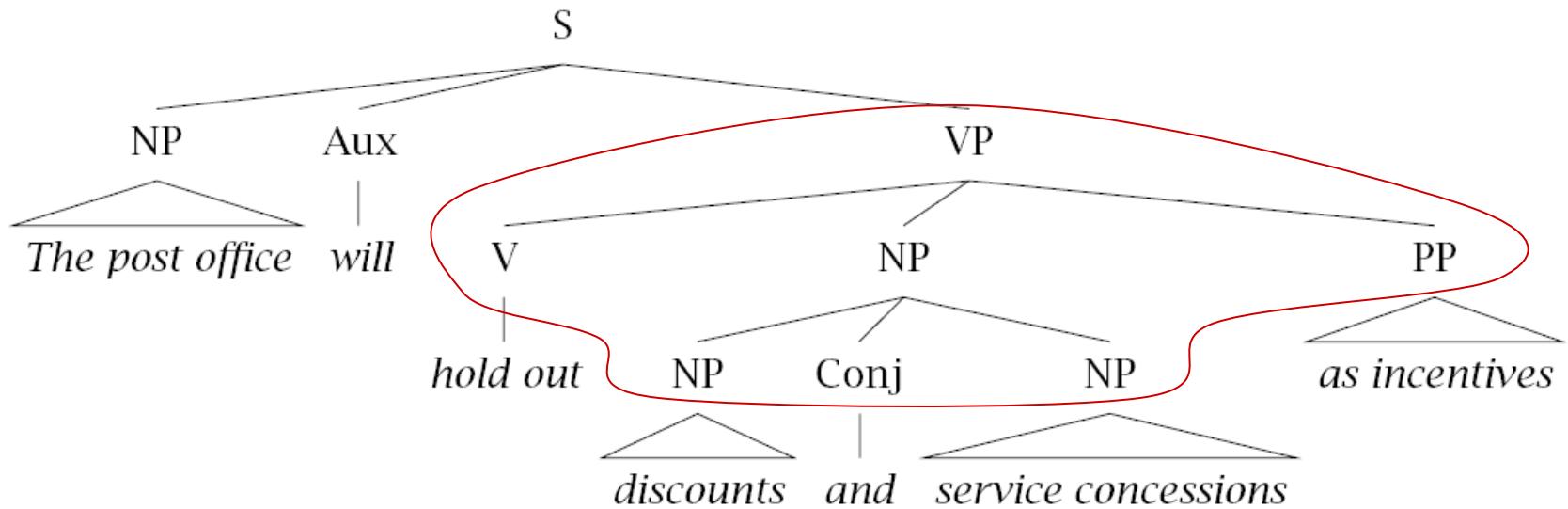


- Parsing
 - No useful dynamic programming search
 - Can still use beam search [Ratnaparkhi 97]



Tree Insertion Grammars

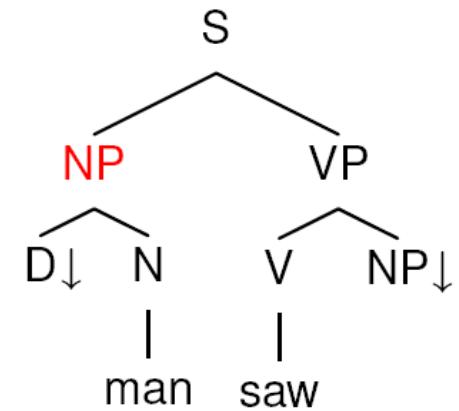
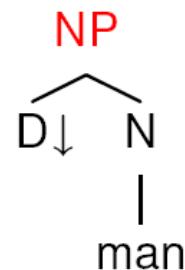
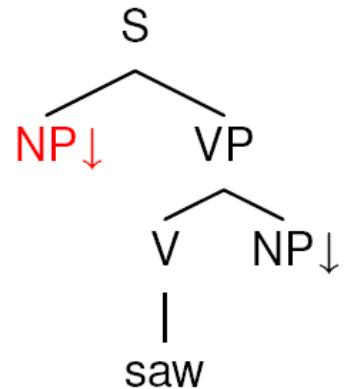
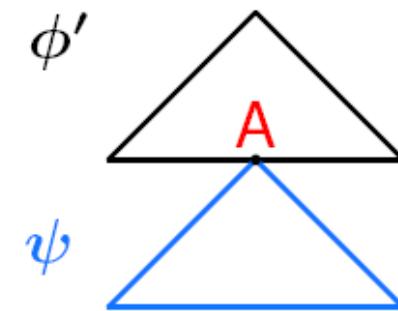
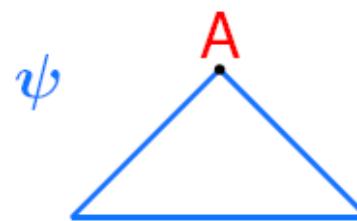
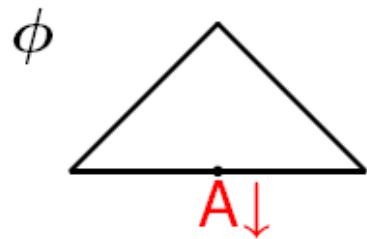
- Rewrite large (possibly lexicalized) subtrees in a single step



- Formally, a *tree-insertion grammar*
- Derivational ambiguity whether subtrees were generated atomically or compositionally
- Most probable *parse* is NP-complete



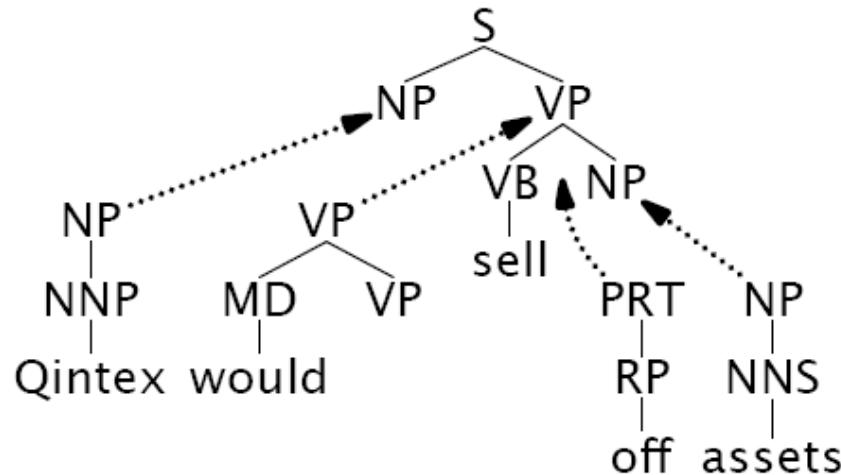
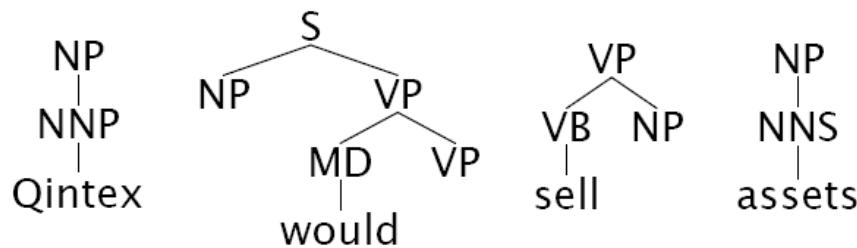
TIG: Insertion





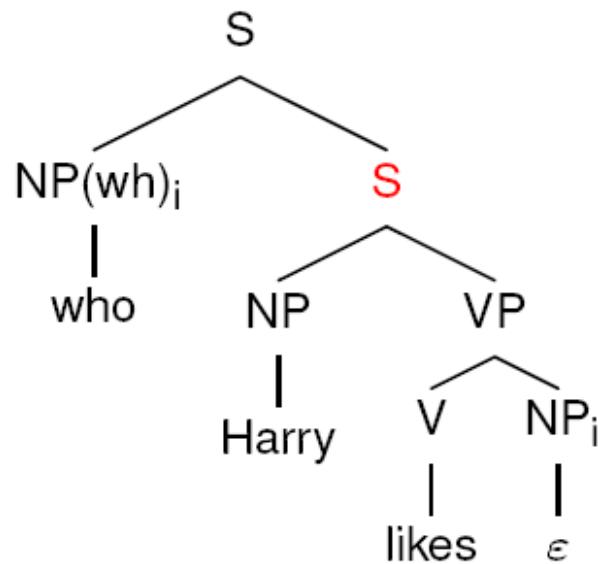
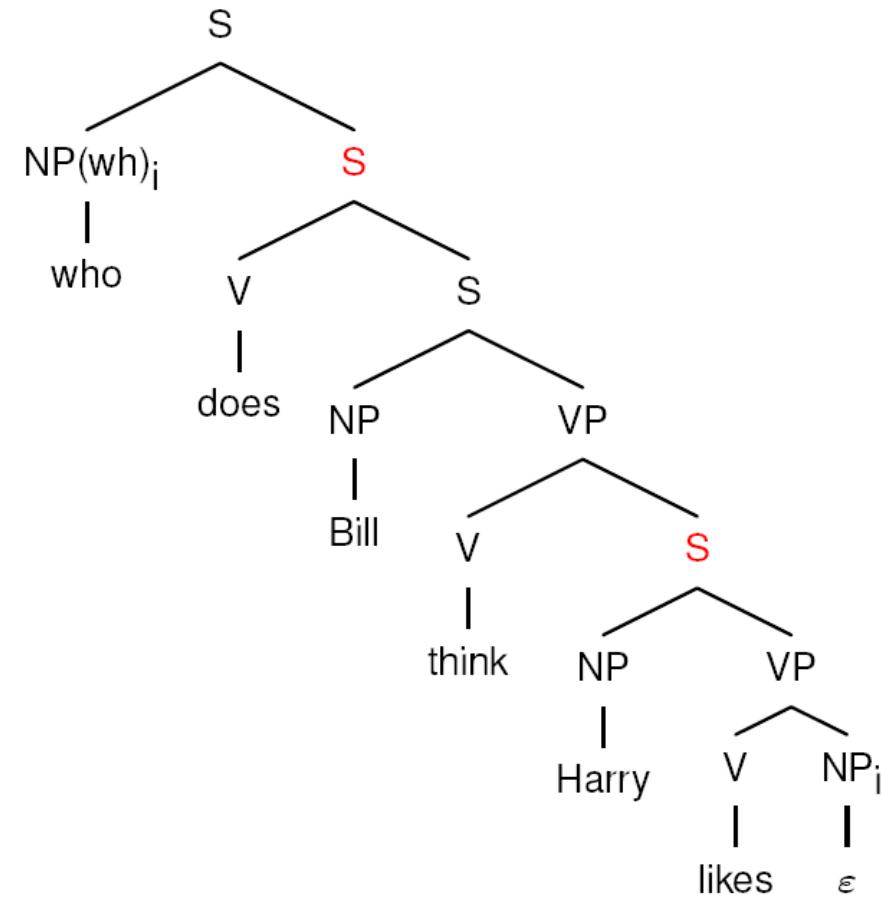
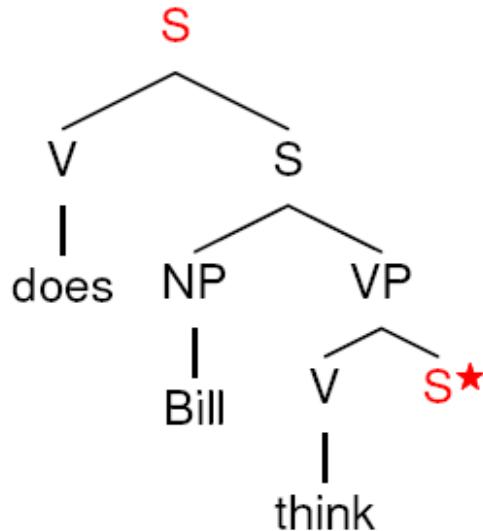
Tree-adjoining grammars

- Start with *local trees*
- Can insert structure with *adjunction* operators
- Mildly context-sensitive
- Models long-distance dependencies naturally
- ... as well as other weird stuff that CFGs don't capture well (e.g. cross-serial dependencies)





TAG: Long Distance





CCG Parsing

- Combinatory Categorial Grammar
 - Fully (mono-) lexicalized grammar
 - Categories encode argument sequences
 - Very closely related to the lambda calculus (more later)
 - Can have spurious ambiguities (why?)

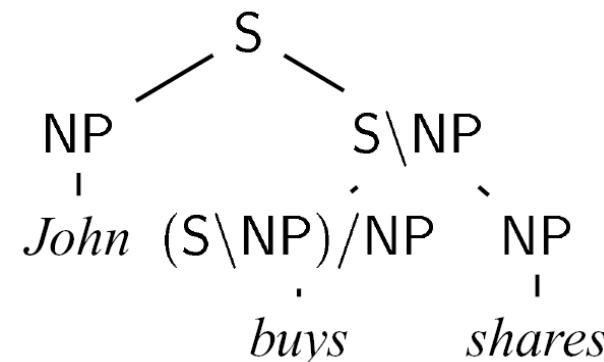
$John \vdash \text{NP}$

$shares \vdash \text{NP}$

$buys \vdash (\text{S}\backslash\text{NP})/\text{NP}$

$sleeps \vdash \text{S}\backslash\text{NP}$

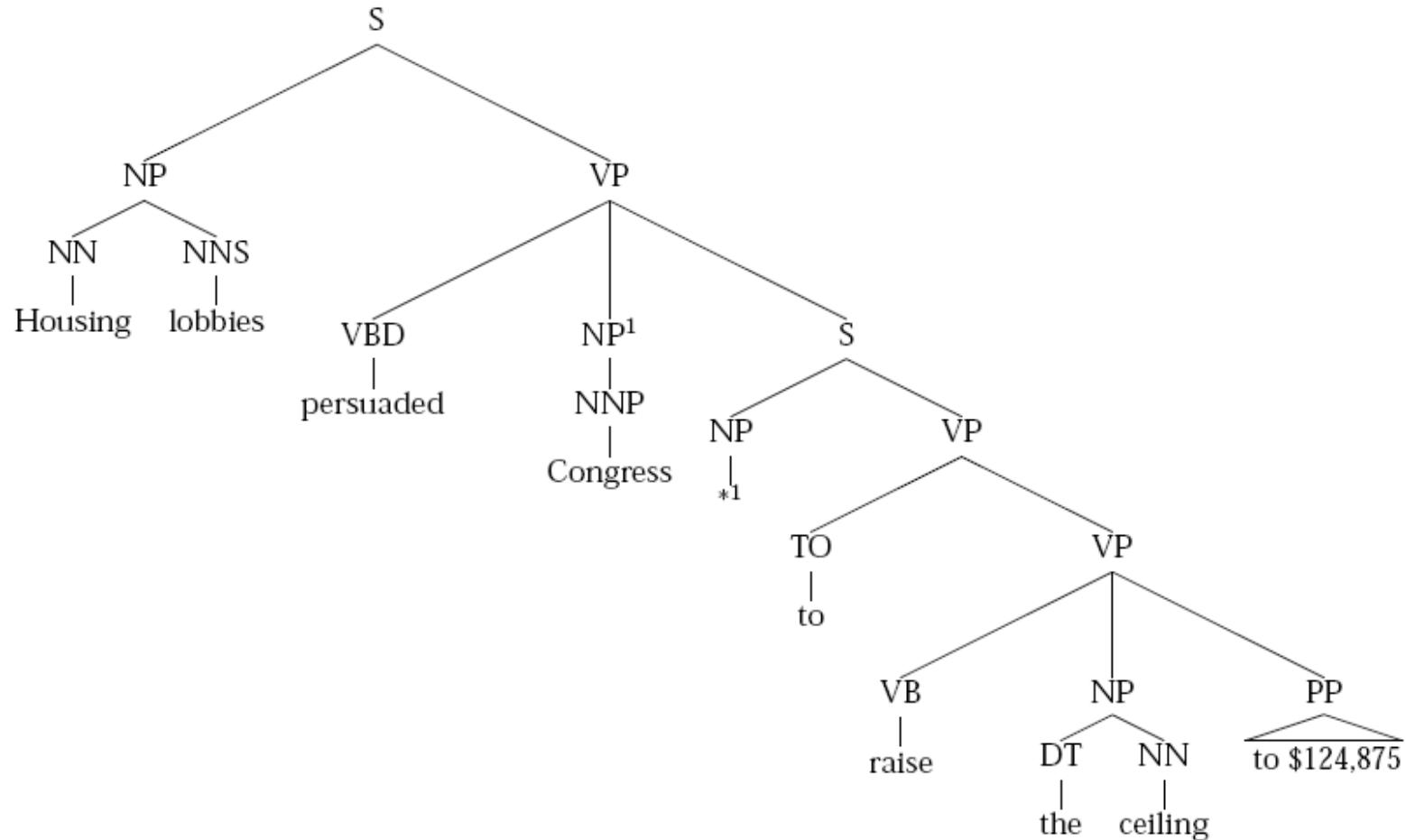
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Empty Elements



Empty Elements





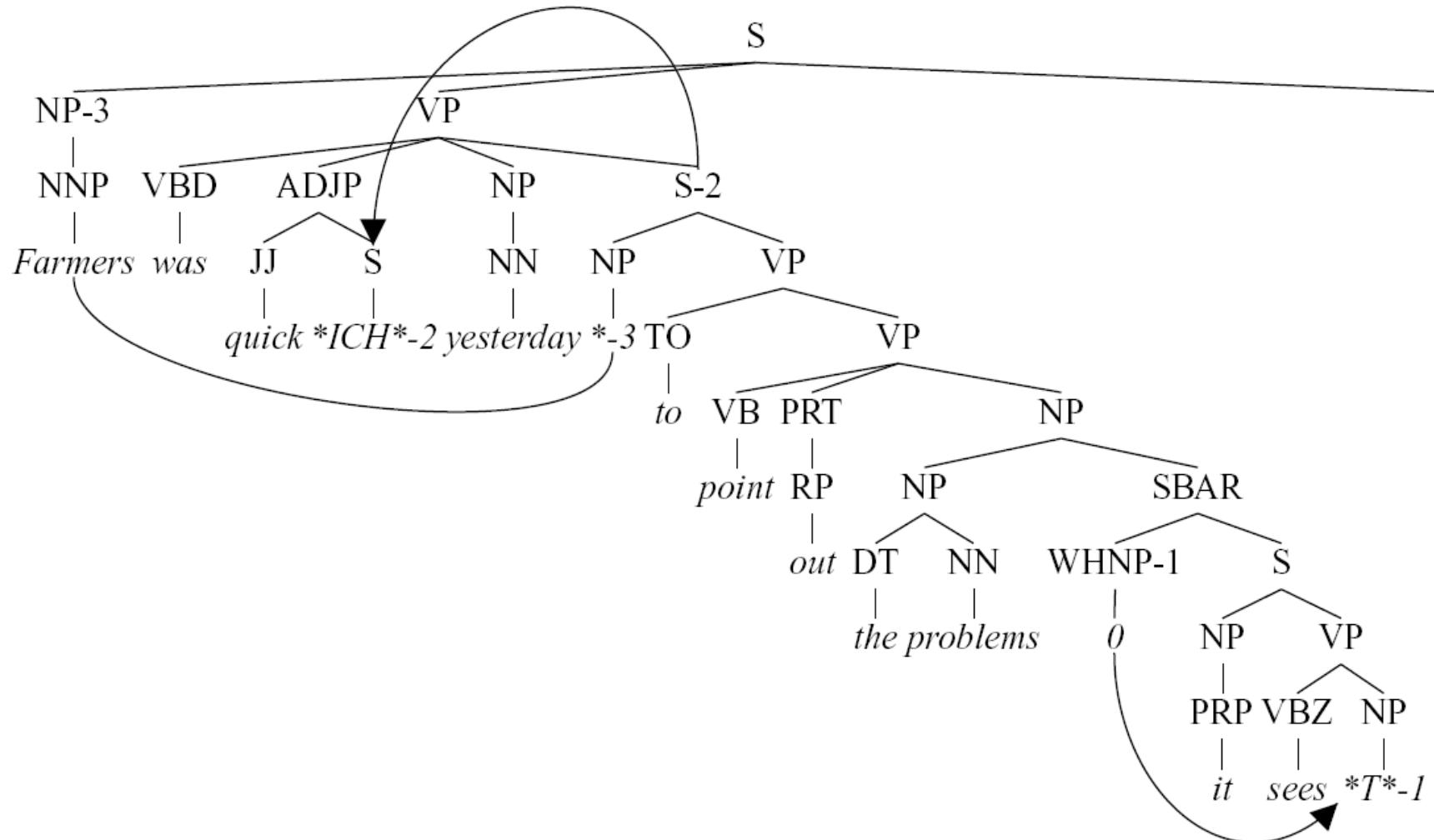
Empty Elements

- In the PTB, three kinds of empty elements:
 - Null items (usually complementizers)
 - Dislocation (WH-traces, topicalization, relative clause and heavy NP extraposition)
 - Control (raising, passives, control, shared argumentation)

- Need to reconstruct these (and resolve any indexation)

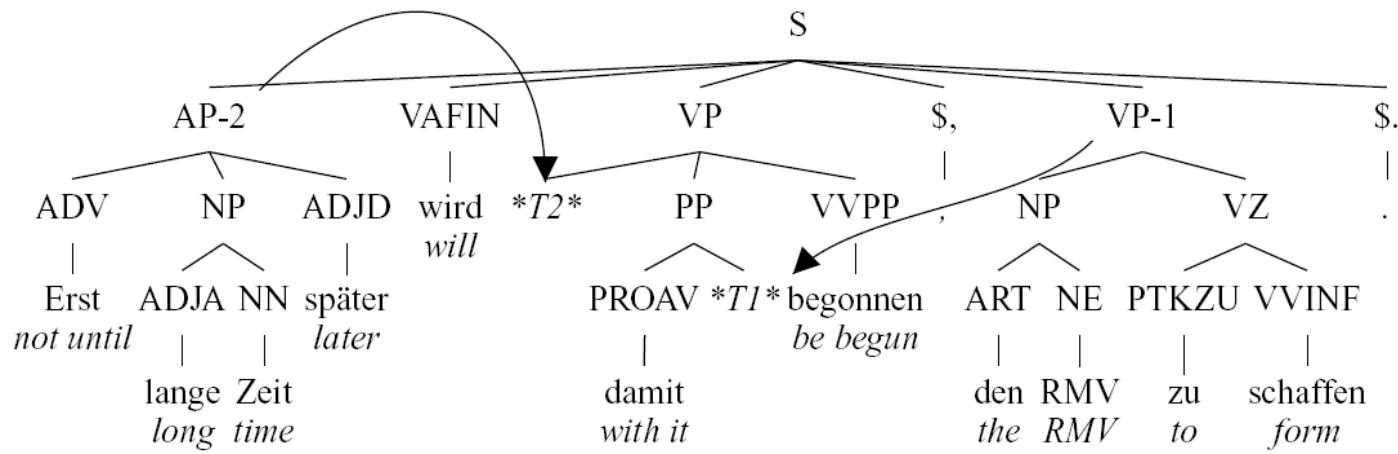


Example: English





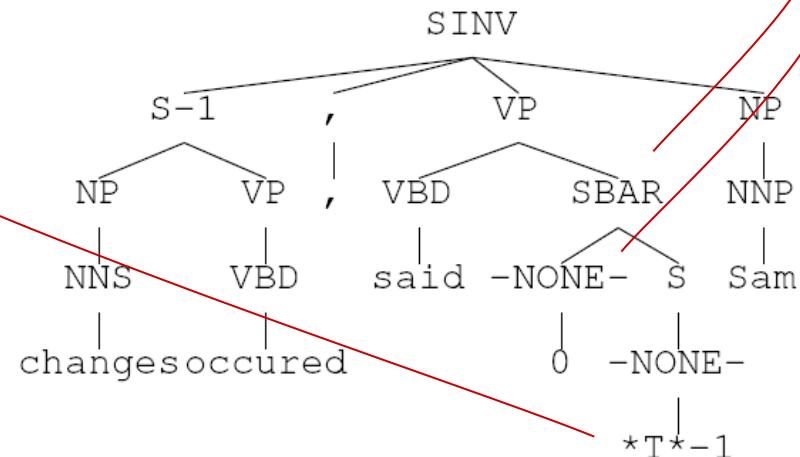
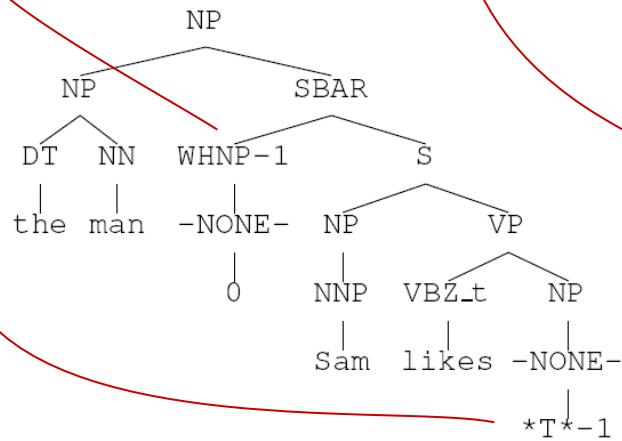
Example: German





Types of Empties

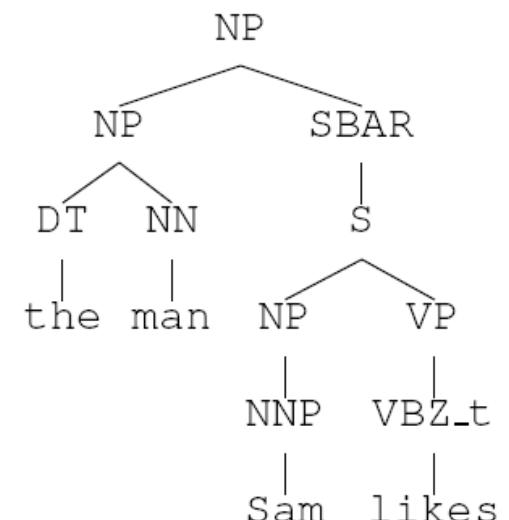
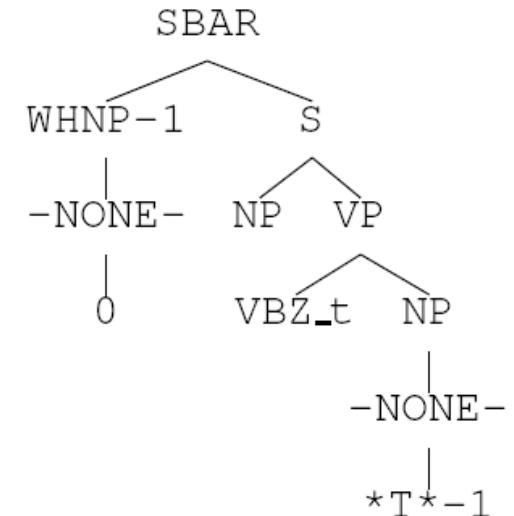
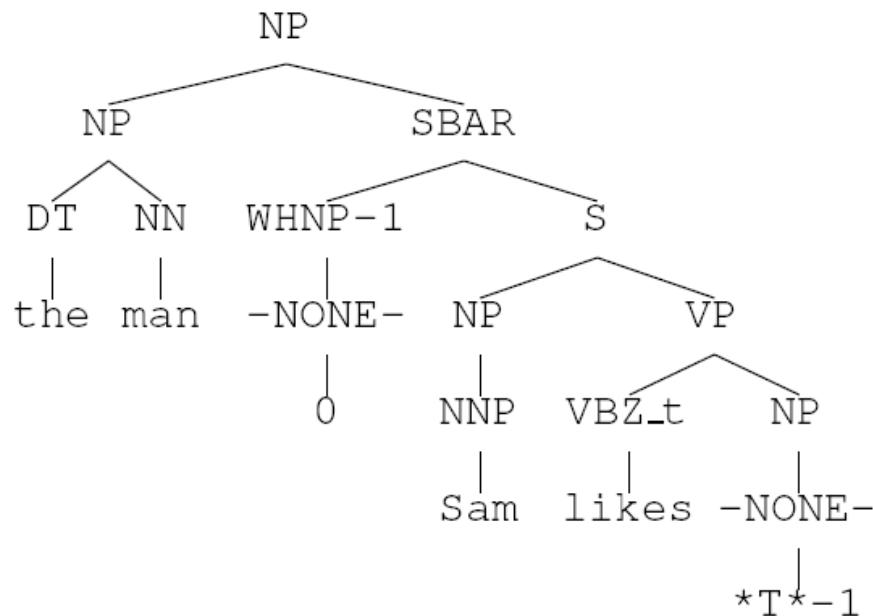
Antecedent	POS	Label	Count	Description
NP	NP	*	18,334	NP trace (e.g., <u>Sam</u> was seen *)
WHNP	NP	*	9,812	NP PRO (e.g., * to sleep is nice)
S	S	*T*	8,620	WH trace (e.g., the woman <u>who</u> you saw *T*)
WHADVP	ADVP	*U*	7,478	Empty units (e.g., \$ 25 *U*)
WHADVP	SBAR	0	5,635	Empty complementizers (e.g., Sam said 0 Sasha snores)
WHADVP	WHNP	*T*	4,063	Moved clauses (e.g., Sam had to go, Sasha explained *T*)
WHADVP	WHADVP	*T*	2,492	WH-trace (e.g., Sam explained <u>how</u> to leave *T*)
WHADVP	SBAR	0	2,033	Empty clauses (e.g., Sam had to go, Sasha explained (SBAR))
WHADVP	WHNP	0	1,759	Empty relative pronouns (e.g., the woman 0 we saw)
WHADVP	WHADVP	0	575	Empty relative pronouns (e.g., no reason 0 to leave)





A Pattern-Matching Approach

- [Johnson 02]





Pattern-Matching Details

- Something like transformation-based learning
- Extract patterns
 - Details: transitive verb marking, auxiliaries
 - Details: legal subtrees
- Rank patterns
 - Pruning ranking: by correct / match rate
 - Application priority: by depth
- Pre-order traversal
- Greedy match



Top Patterns Extracted

Count	Match	Pattern
5816	6223	(S (NP (-NONE- *)) VP)
5605	7895	(SBAR (-NONE- 0) S)
5312	5338	(SBAR WHNP-1 (S (NP (-NONE- *T*-1)) VP))
4434	5217	(NP QP (-NONE- *U*))
1682	1682	(NP \$ CD (-NONE- *U*))
1327	1593	(VP VBN_t (NP (-NONE- *)) PP)
700	700	(ADJP QP (-NONE- *U*))
662	1219	(SBAR (WHNP-1 (-NONE- 0)) (S (NP (-NONE- *T*-1)) VP))
618	635	(S S-1 , NP (VP VBD (SBAR (-NONE- 0) (S (-NONE- *T*-1)))) .)
499	512	(SINV `` S-1 , '' (VP VBZ (S (-NONE- *T*-1))) NP .)
361	369	(SINV `` S-1 , '' (VP VBD (S (-NONE- *T*-1))) NP .)
352	320	(S NP-1 (VP VBZ (S (NP (-NONE- *-1)) VP)))
346	273	(S NP-1 (VP AUX (VP VBN_t (NP (-NONE- *-1)) PP)))
322	467	(VP VBD_t (NP (-NONE- *)) PP)
269	275	(S `` S-1 , '' NP (VP VBD (S (-NONE- *T*-1))) .)



Results

Empty node		Section 23			Parser output		
POS	Label	P	R	f	P	R	f
(Overall)		0.93	0.83	0.88	0.85	0.74	0.79
NP	*	0.95	0.87	0.91	0.86	0.79	0.82
NP	*T*	0.93	0.88	0.91	0.85	0.77	0.81
	0	0.94	0.99	0.96	0.86	0.89	0.88
	U	0.92	0.98	0.95	0.87	0.96	0.92
S	*T*	0.98	0.83	0.90	0.97	0.81	0.88
ADVP	*T*	0.91	0.52	0.66	0.84	0.42	0.56
SBAR		0.90	0.63	0.74	0.88	0.58	0.70
WHNP	0	0.75	0.79	0.77	0.48	0.46	0.47

Semantic Roles



Semantic Role Labeling (SRL)

- Characterize clauses as *relations* with *roles*:

[_{Judge} She] **blames** [_{Evaluatee} the Government] [_{Reason} for failing to do enough to help].

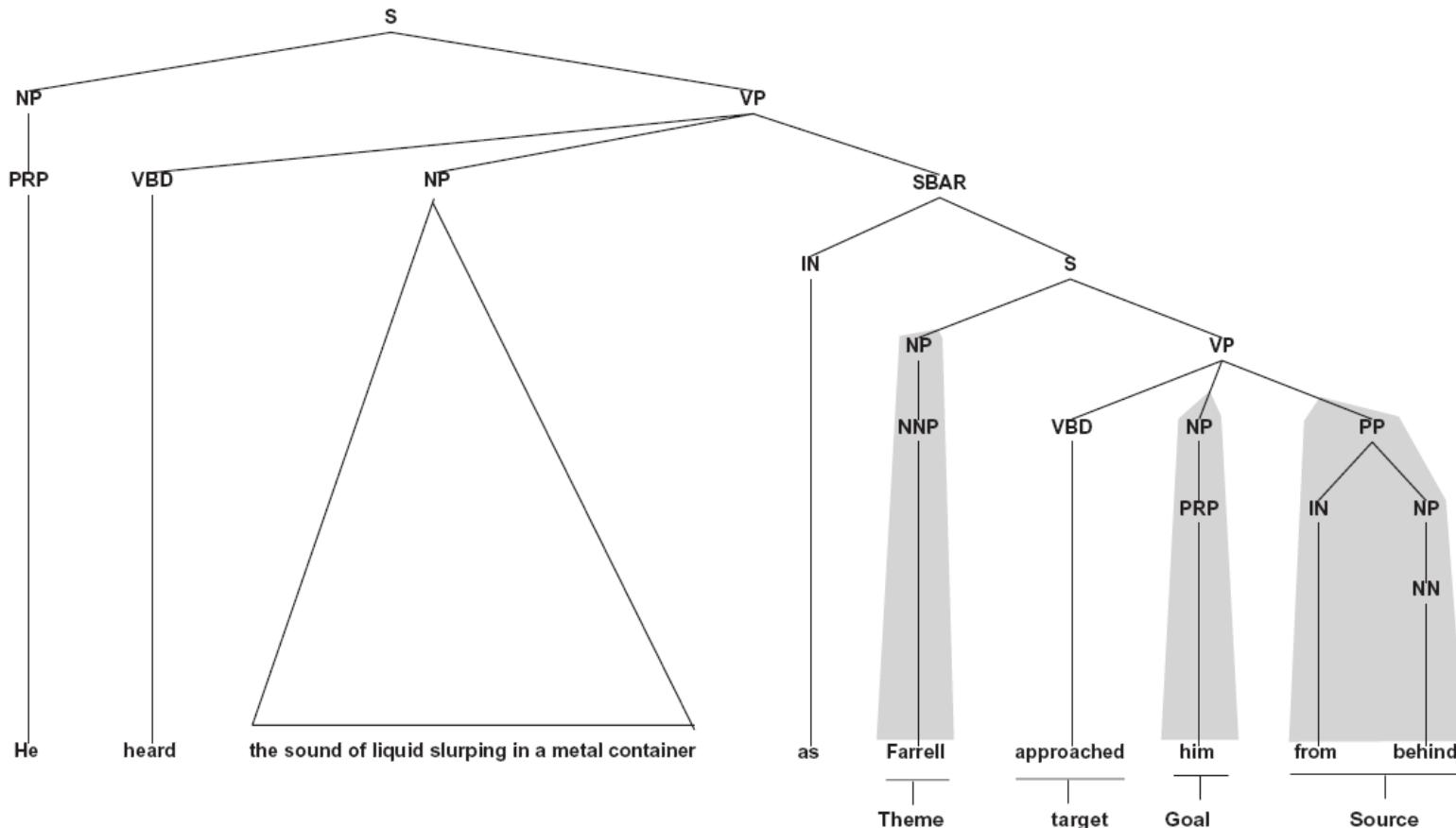
Holman would characterise this as **blaming** [_{Evaluatee} the poor].

The letter quotes Black as saying that [_{Judge} white and Navajo ranchers] misrepresent their livestock losses and **blame** [_{Reason} everything] [_{Evaluatee} on coyotes].

- Says more than which NP is the subject (but not much more):
- Relations like *subject* are syntactic, relations like *agent* or *message* are semantic
- Typical pipeline:
 - Parse, then label roles
 - Almost all errors locked in by parser
 - Really, SRL is quite a lot easier than parsing

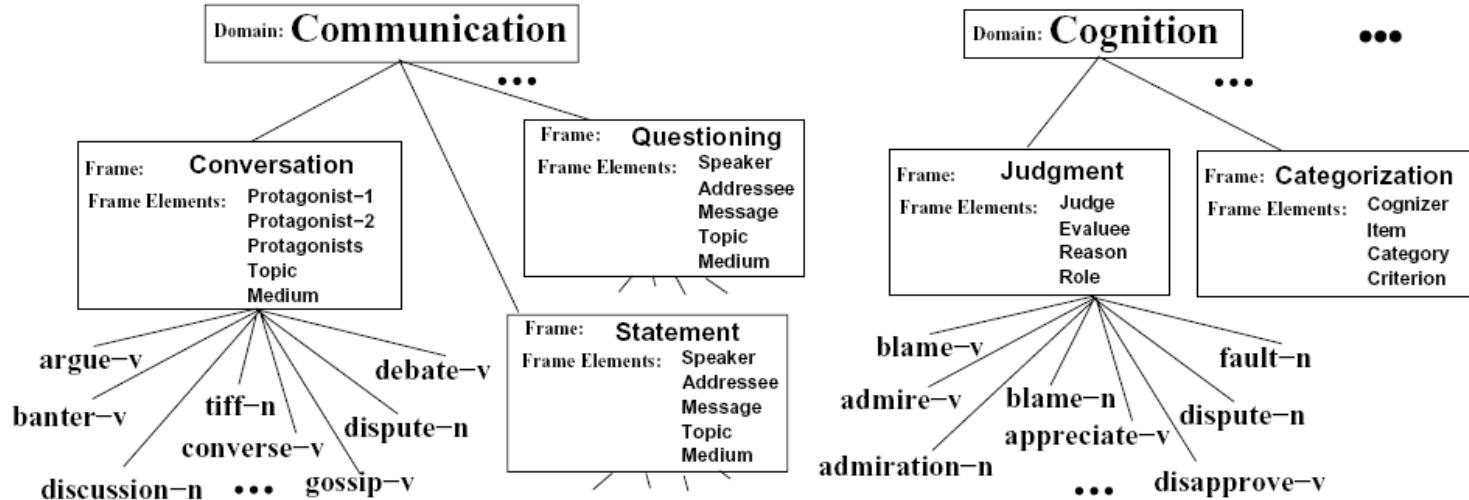


SRL Example





PropBank / FrameNet



- FrameNet: roles shared between verbs
- PropBank: each verb has its own roles
- PropBank more used, because it's layered over the treebank (and so has greater coverage, plus parses)
- Note: some linguistic theories postulate fewer roles than FrameNet (e.g. 5-20 total: agent, patient, instrument, etc.)



PropBank Example

fall.01 sense: move downward
roles: Arg1: thing falling
 Arg2: extent, distance fallen
 Arg3: start point
 Arg4: end point

Sales fell to \$251.2 million from \$278.7 million.
arg1: Sales
rel: fell
arg4: to \$251.2 million
arg3: from \$278.7 million



PropBank Example

rotate.02 sense: shift from one thing to another
 roles: Arg0: cause of shift
 Arg1: thing being changed
 Arg2: old thing
 Arg3: new thing

Many of Wednesday's winners were losers yesterday as investors quickly took profits and rotated their buying to other issues, traders said. (wsj_1723)

arg0: investors
rel: rotated
arg1: their buying
arg3: to other issues



PropBank Example

aim.01 sense: intend, plan
 roles: Arg0: aim, planner
 Arg1: plan, intent

The Central Council of Church Bell Ringers aims *trace* to improve relations with vicars. (wsj_0089)

arg0: The Central Council of Church Bell Ringers
rel: aims
arg1: *trace* to improve relations with vicars

aim.02 sense: point (weapon) at
 roles: Arg0: aim, planner
 Arg1: weapon, etc.
 Arg2: target

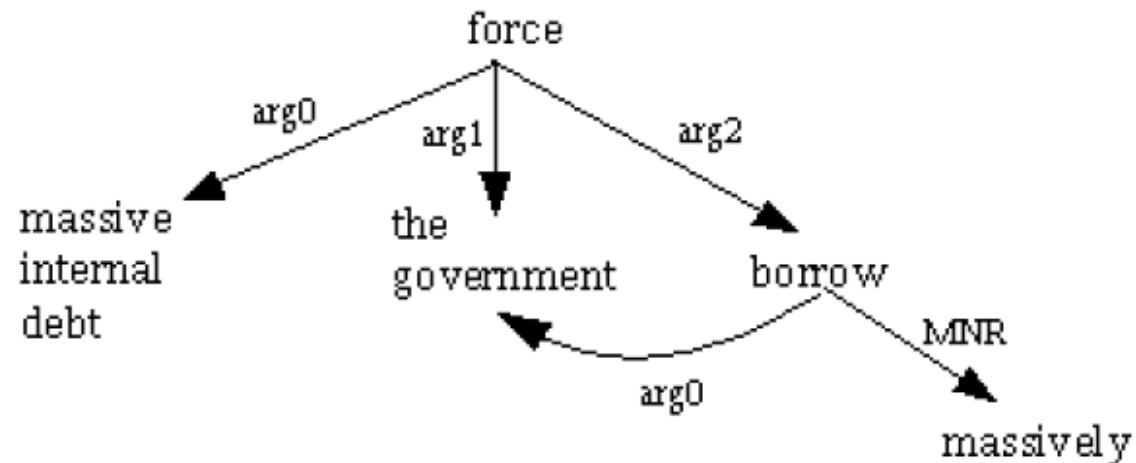
Banks have been aiming packages at the elderly.

arg0: Banks
rel: aiming
arg1: packages
arg2: at the elderly



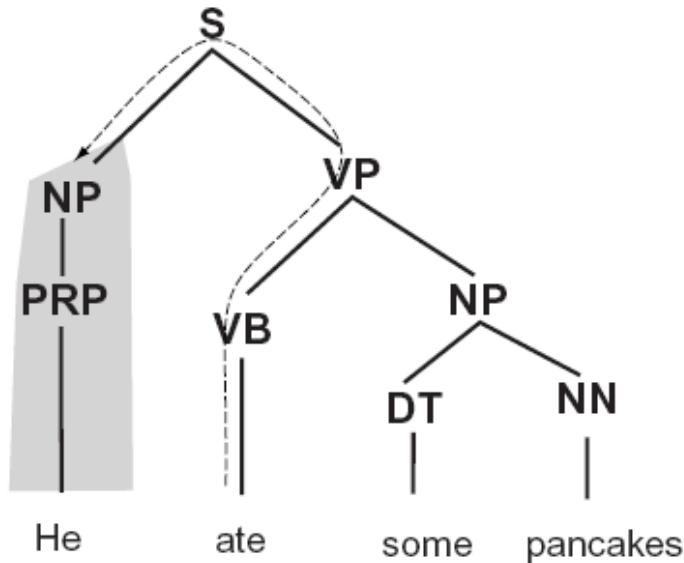
Shared Arguments

(NP-SBJ (JJ massive) (JJ internal) (NN debt))
(VP (VBZ has)
(VP (VBN forced)
(S
(NP-SBJ-1 (DT the) (NN government))
(VP
(VP (TO to)
(VP (VB borrow)
(ADVP-MNR (RB massively))...





Path Features



<i>Path</i>	<i>Description</i>
VB↑VP↓PP	PP argument/adjunct
VB↑VP↑S↓NP	subject
VB↑VP↓NP	object
VB↑VP↑VP↑S↓NP	subject (embedded VP)
VB↑VP↓ADVP	adverbial adjunct
NN↑NP↑NP↓PP	prepositional complement of noun



Results

- Features:
 - Path from target to filler
 - Filler's syntactic type, headword, case
 - Target's identity
 - Sentence voice, etc.
 - Lots of other second-order features

- Gold vs parsed source trees

- SRL is fairly easy on gold trees

CORE		ARGM	
F1	Acc.	F1	Acc.
92.2	80.7	89.9	71.8

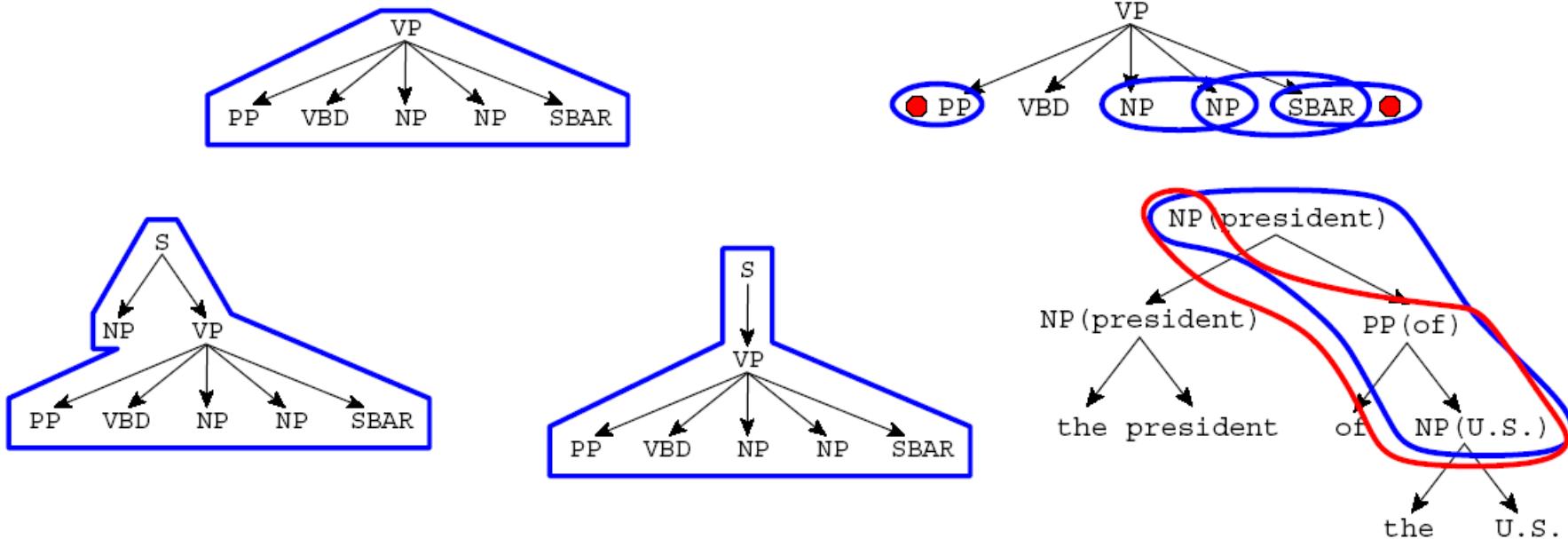
- Harder on automatic parses

CORE		ARGM	
F1	Acc.	F1	Acc.
84.1	66.5	81.4	55.6



Parse Reranking

- Assume the number of parses is very small
- We can represent each parse T as a feature vector $\varphi(T)$
 - Typically, all local rules are features
 - Also non-local features, like how right-branching the overall tree is
 - [Charniak and Johnson 05] gives a rich set of features





K-Best Parsing

[Huang and Chiang 05,
Pauls, Klein, Quirk 10]

