Step-by-Step Transition-Based Dependency Parsing

Introduction

- ▶ We analyze the sentence: "Economic news had little effect on financial markets."
- We use a transition-based dependency parser.
- Three key actions:
 - **SHIFT**: Move a word from the buffer to the stack.
 - ▶ **LEFT-ARC**: Make the second-top element of the stack dependent on the top element.
 - ▶ RIGHT-ARC: Make the top element of the stack dependent on the second-top element.

Step 0: Initial configuration

Transition:

- ► Stack: [ROOT]
- **▶ Buffer:** [Economic, news, had, little, effect, on, financial, markets, .]

Step 1: SHIFT

Transition: Move "Economic" from buffer to stack.

- ► Stack: [ROOT, Economic]
- Buffer: [news, had, little, effect, on, financial, markets, .]

Step 2: SHIFT

Transition: Move "news" from buffer to stack.

- ► Stack: [ROOT, Economic, news]
- Buffer: [had, little, effect, on, financial, markets, .]

Step 3: LEFT-ARC (ATT)

Transition: "Economic" modifies "news" (ATT - Attribute). Remove "Economic".

- Stack: [ROOT, news]
- ▶ Buffer: [had, little, effect, on, financial, markets, .]



Step 4: SHIFT

Transition: Move "had" from buffer to stack.

- ► Stack: [ROOT, news, had]
- Buffer: [little, effect, on, financial, markets, .]

ATT

Step 5: LEFT-ARC (SBJ)

Transition: "news" is the subject of "had" (SBJ - Subject). Remove "news".

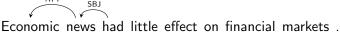
- ► Stack: [ROOT, had]
- Buffer: [little, effect, on, financial, markets, .]

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Economic news had little effect on financial markets .
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Step 6: SHIFT

Transition: Move "little" from buffer to stack.

- ► Stack: [ROOT, had, little]
- **Buffer:** [effect, on, financial, markets, .]



Step 7: SHIFT

Transition: Move "effect" from buffer to stack.

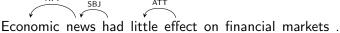
- ► **Stack:** [ROOT, had, little, effect]
- ▶ **Buffer:** [on, financial, markets, .]

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Economic news had little effect on financial markets.
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Step 8: LEFT-ARC (ATT)

Transition: "little" modifies "effect" (ATT - Attribute). Remove "little".

- Stack: [ROOT, had, effect]
- Buffer: [on, financial, markets, .]



Step 9: SHIFT

Transition: Move "on" from buffer to stack.

- ► Stack: [ROOT, had, effect, on]
- ▶ Buffer: [financial, markets, .]



Step 10: SHIFT

Transition: Move "financial" from buffer to stack.

- Stack: [ROOT, had, effect, on, financial]
- **▶ Buffer:** [markets, .]



Step 11: SHIFT

Transition: Move "markets" from buffer to stack.

- ▶ **Stack:** [ROOT, had, effect, on, financial, markets]
- ► Buffer: [.]

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Economic news had little effect on financial markets.
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Step 12: LEFT-ARC (ATT)

Transition: "financial" modifies "markets" (ATT - Attribute). Remove "financial".

- ▶ Stack: [ROOT, had, effect, on, markets]
- Buffer: [.]



Step 13: RIGHT-ARC (PC)

Transition: "on" is a prepositional complement of "markets". Remove "markets".

- Stack: [ROOT, had, effect, on]
- ► Buffer: [.]



Step 14: RIGHT-ARC (PREP)

Transition: "on" functions as a preposition modifying 'effect' (PREP - Preposition). Remove "on".

- Stack: [ROOT, had, effect]
- ► Buffer: [.]



Step 15: RIGHT-ARC (OBJ)

Transition: "had" takes "effect" as its object (OBJ - Object). Remove "effect".

Stack: [ROOT, had]

► Buffer: [.]



Step 16: SHIFT

Transition: Move "." from buffer to stack.

► Stack: [ROOT, had, .]

► Buffer: []



Step 17: RIGHT-ARC (PU)

Transition: "had" takes "." as punctuation (PU). Remove ".".

Stack: [ROOT, had]

► Buffer: []



Step 18: RIGHT-ARC (PRED)

Transition: "ROOT" takes 'had' as predicate (PRED). Remove 'had'."

► Stack: [ROOT]

Buffer: []

