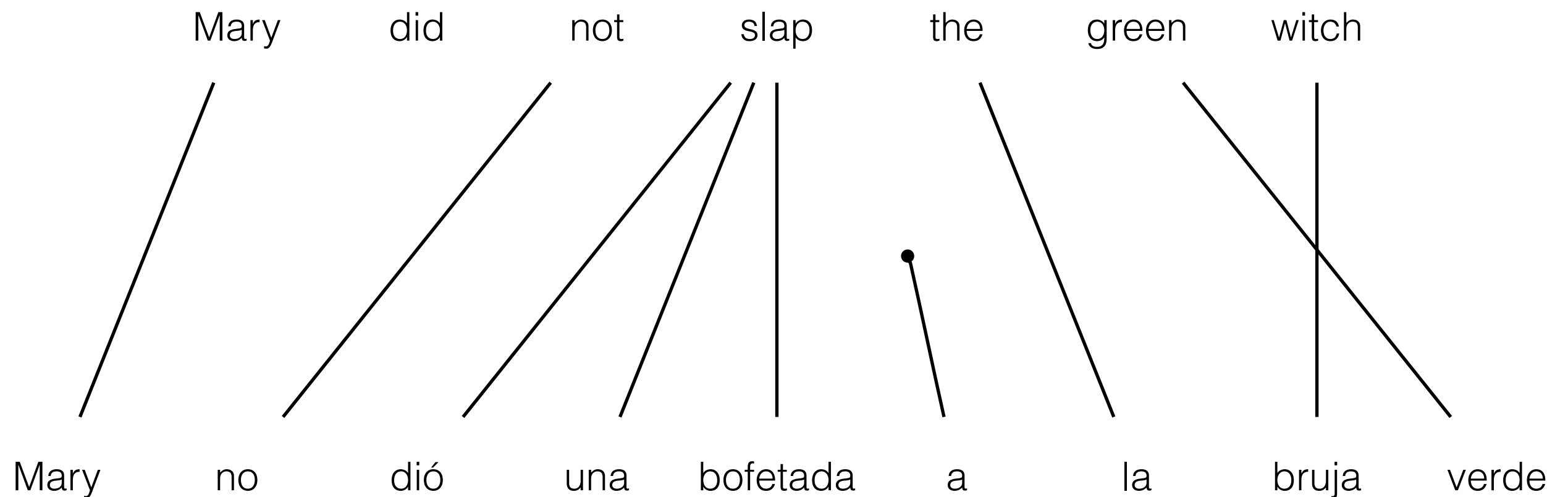


Inversion Transduction Grammars

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Word-based Translation



Every French word is generated by an English word (or null)

Generative Story IBM_{≥3}: Given E

Mary | did | not | slap | the | green | witch

Generative Story IBM_{≥3}: Fertility

Mary	did	not	slap				the	green	witch
Mary	did	not	slap	slap	slap		the	green	witch

Generative Story IBM_{≥3}: NULL insertion

Mary	did	not	slap					the	green	witch
Mary	did	not	slap	slap	slap			the	green	witch
							NULL			

Generative Story IBM_{≥3}: Translation

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Generative Story IBM_{≥3}: Distortion

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Discussion

- IBM models do not constrain divergence with respect to word order
- Distortion step must consider

all the $m!$ permutations

of m French words

All permutations: sensible or not?

If we do not impose structural constraints
(yet they do exist)

- the model will have to learn (rather *implicitly*)
how not to violate them
- which ought to require more data

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- All permutations [Asveld, 2006; 2008]

All permutations

Let $\Sigma_n = \{a_1, \dots, a_n\}$

- $S \rightarrow A_{\Sigma_n}$
- $A_X \rightarrow a A_{X-\{a\}}$ for $X \subseteq \Sigma_n$, $\#X \geq 2$, $a \in X$
- $A_{\{a\}} \rightarrow a$

Regular grammar (there is an equivalent FSA)

Complexity

Note that nonterminals are indexed by subsets of Σ_n

i.e. power set of Σ

- 2^n nonterminals (states)
- $n \times 2^n$ productions (transitions)
- $n!$ strings (paths)

Example: 3 elements

$$S \rightarrow A_{123}$$

$$A_{123} \rightarrow a_1 A_{23} \mid a_2 A_{13} \mid a_3 A_{12}$$

$$A_{12} \rightarrow a_1 A_2 \mid a_2 A_1$$

$$A_{13} \rightarrow a_1 A_3 \mid a_3 A_1$$

$$A_{23} \rightarrow a_2 A_3 \mid a_3 A_2$$

$$A_1 \rightarrow a_1$$

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"IBM constraint"

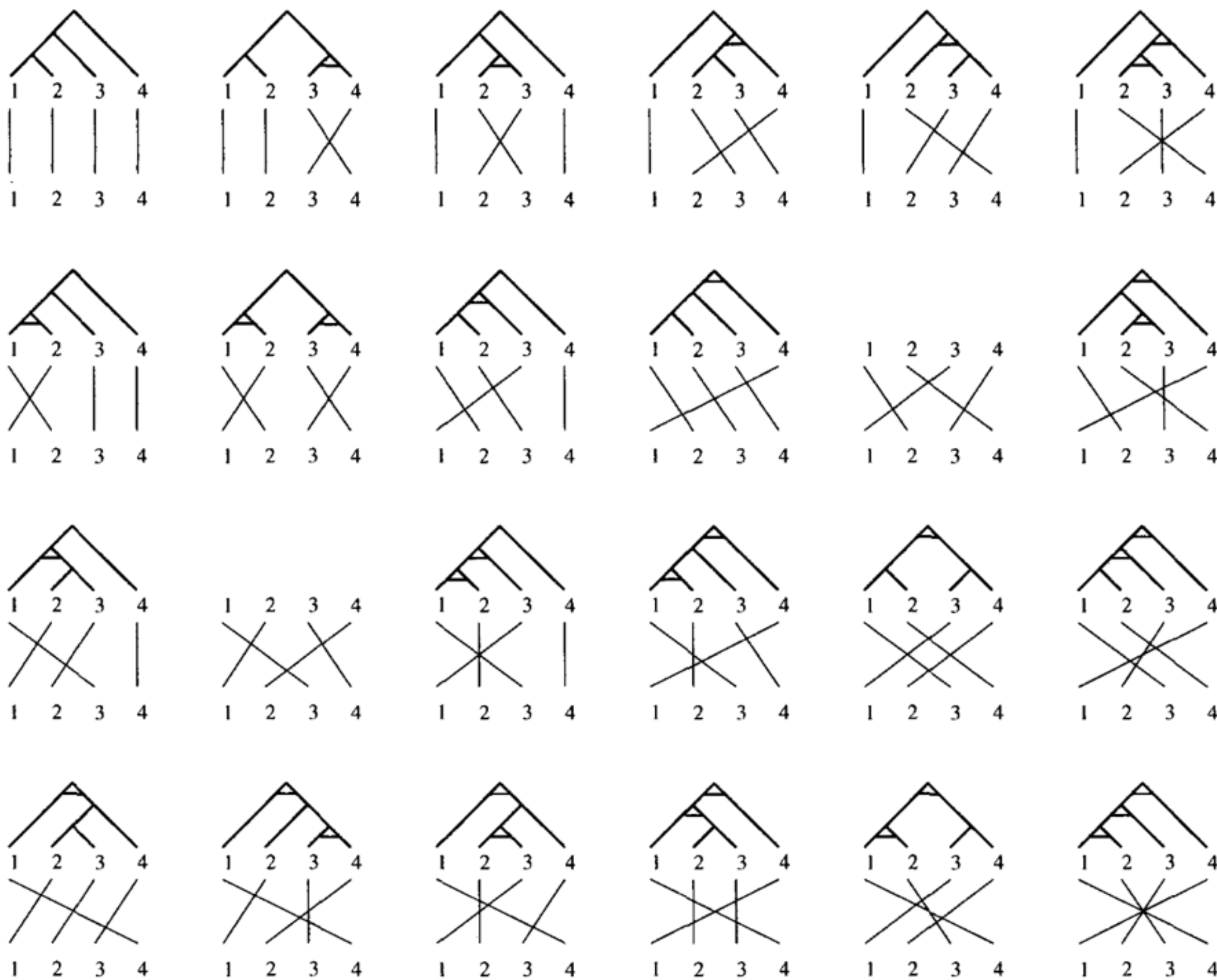
Distortion limit in **generation** but not in **estimation**

- any reasons why that may be unsatisfactory?

Constraining permutations without a distortion limit

Inversion Transduction Grammars (ITGs) [Wu, 1995; 1997]

- Binarizable permutations
 - two streams are simultaneously generated
 - context-free backbone



Number of Permutations

r	ITG	all matchings	ratio
0	1	1	1.000
1	1	1	1.000
2	2	2	1.000
3	6	6	1.000
4	22	24	0.917
5	90	120	0.750
6	394	720	0.547
7	1,806	5,040	0.358
8	8,558	40,320	0.212
9	41,586	362,880	0.115
10	206,098	3,628,800	0.057
11	1,037,718	39,916,800	0.026
12	5,293,446	479,001,600	0.011
13	27,297,738	6,227,020,800	0.004
14	142,078,746	87,178,291,200	0.002
15	745,387,038	1,307,674,368,000	0.001
16	3,937,603,038	20,922,789,888,000	0.000

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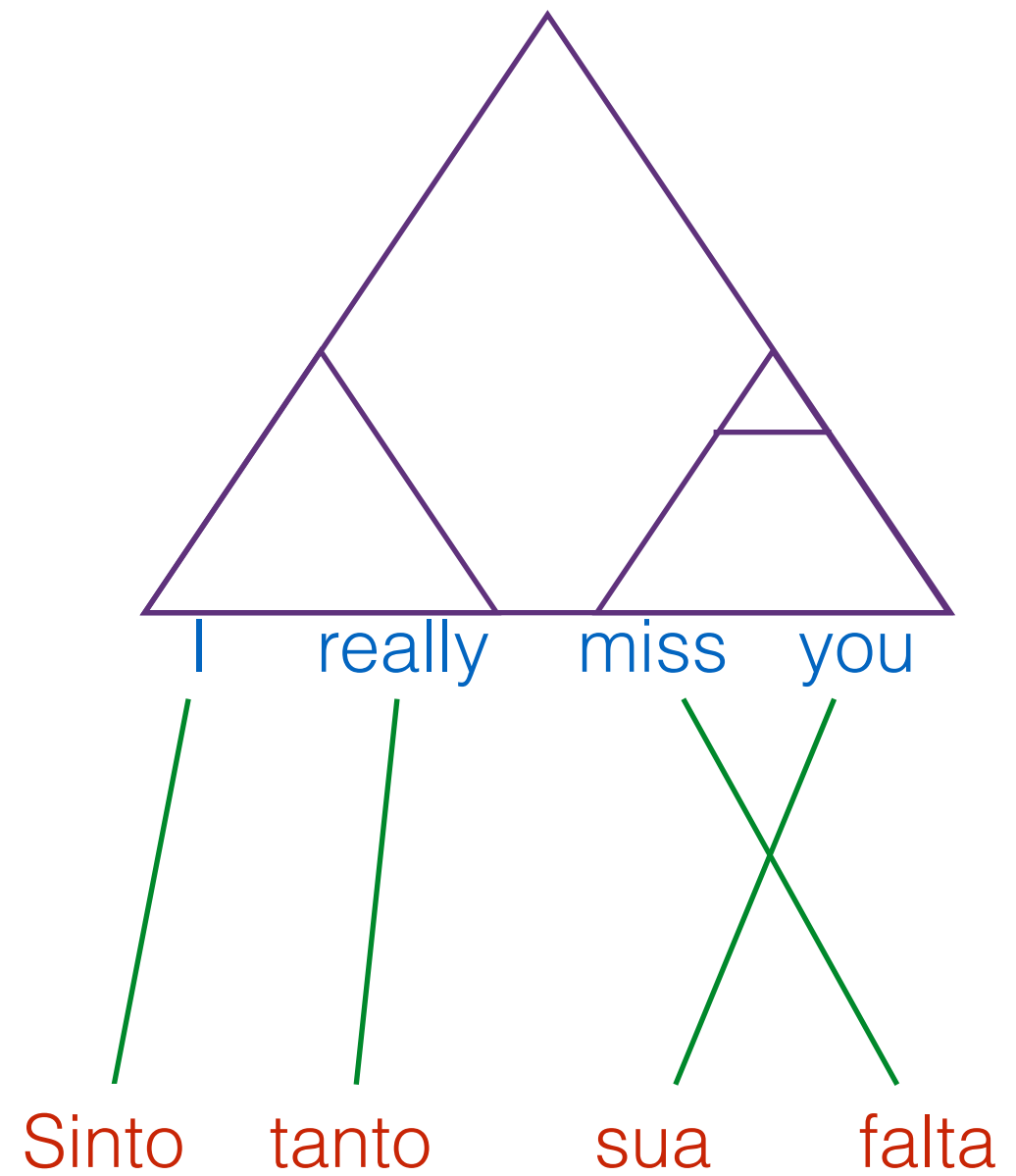
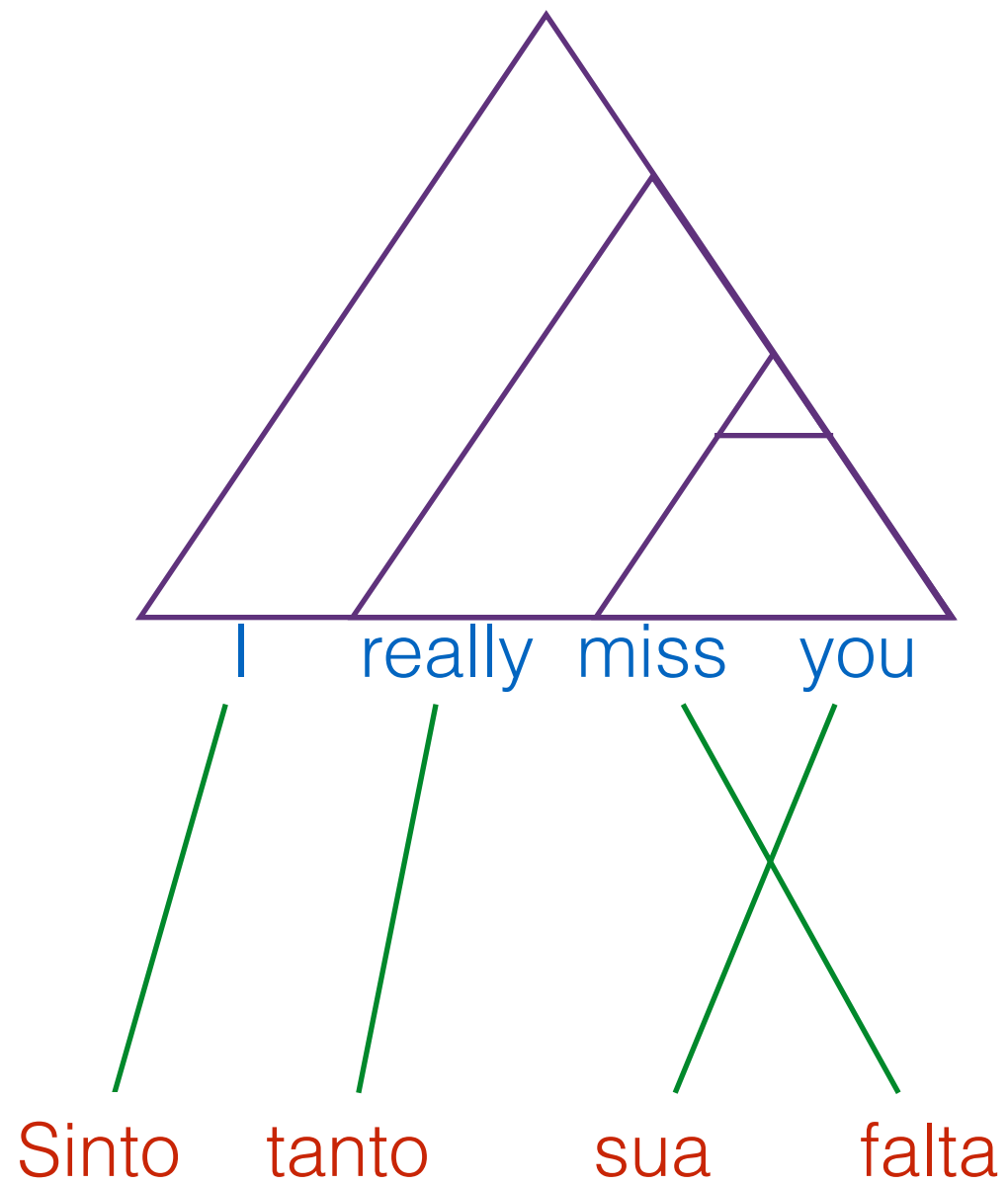
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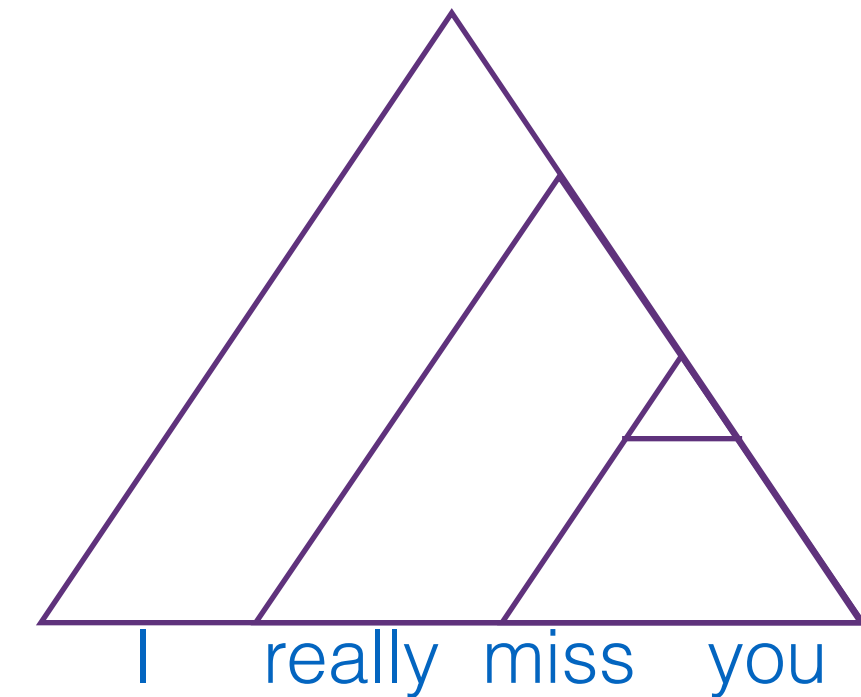
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ITG Trees



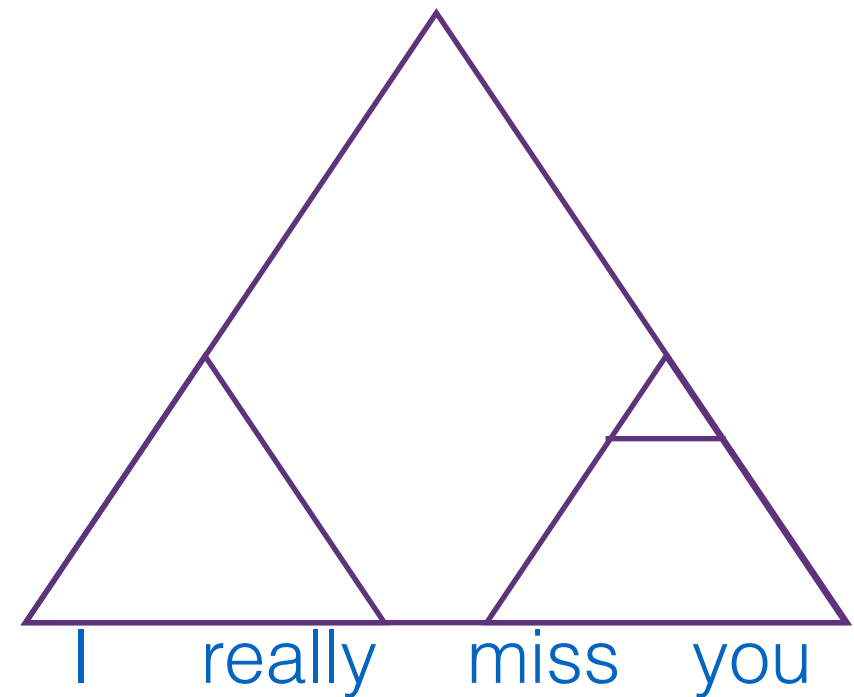
ITG Trees

E



F Sinto tanto sua falta

B



A

Sinto tanto sua falta

Model

Joint probability model $P(T) = P(A, B, E, F)$

$$t = \langle r_1, \dots, r_n \rangle$$

$$e = \text{yield}_1(t)$$

$$f = \text{yield}_2(t)$$

$$a = \text{alignment}(t)$$

$$b = \text{bracketing}(t)$$

$$P(T = t) = P(A = a, B = b, E = e, F = f)$$

$$= \prod_{i=1}^N \theta_{r_i}$$

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MLE

We do not typically construct treebanks of ITG trees

- **potential** counts instead of *observed* counts

$$\theta_{X \rightarrow \alpha} = \frac{\langle n(X \rightarrow \alpha) \rangle_{P(A,B|F,E)}}{\sum_{\alpha'} \langle n(X \rightarrow \alpha') \rangle_{P(A,B|F,E)}}$$

Expectations from parse forests

- Inside-Outside [Baker, 1979; Lari and Young, 1990; Goodman, 1999]

Typically initialised with IBM1

Difficulties

Inference: complexity $O(l^3 m^3)$

Model: too few reordering parameters

Decisions: ambiguity

- Disambiguation problem is NP-complete [Sima'an, 1996]

$$\arg \max_A P(A|F, E) = \arg \max_A \sum_B P(A, B|F, E)$$

$$\approx \arg \max_{A, B} P(A, B|F, E)$$

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