

# JRTk and JANUS

The Ibis-Gang

(IBIS V5.1.1 P000)



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# Chapter 1

## Introduction

This manual describes *JRTk*, the Janus Recognition Toolkit, in version *V5.1.1 P000*, which includes the *Ibis* decoder. This manual also contains pointers, where to look for further information. One important page is the online JRTK documentation available at <http://isl.ira.uka.de/~jrtek/janus-doku.html>.

In the following chapter 2 you'll find the information you'll need to get Tcl and Janus up and running. We focus on the UNIX variants, although much of the information also applies for Windows installations. You might want to have a look at a sample *.janusrc* first, which is the main configuration file for Janus. The basic concepts of the JANUS user interface are discussed in 3. Chapter 5 covers all you'll need to know in order to train a system using JRTk, while chapter 6 covers the Ibis decoder. If you're experiencing difficulties and need help in either installing Janus, configuring it properly, or running scripts, the trouble-shooting section 7 contains (hopefully) useful information.

The JANUS interface having an object-oriented style, you'll find descriptions of all modules in chapter 8; this will be of interest to both the user and the would-be C programmer. The Tcl-library, which should save you a lot of effort when building systems at script level, is described in chapter 9. The "Janus Scripts Collection", which comprises a number of standard scripts to build and test systems, also relies on the Tcl-library. It is discussed in section 3. Chapter 10 describes some of JANUS' files and their formats.

The people who have worked on JANUS over the time can be found in 11. At the end of this document, you'll also find a bibliography and a glossary. Chapter 2 also contains some information on how to use this manual, available in Postscript, HTML and PDF format. If you have questions or problems with JRTk, please send e-mail to [jrtek@ira.uka.de](mailto:jrtek@ira.uka.de).

Janus was successfully used in a number of evaluations, see [1, 13, 8].



# Chapter 2

## Basics

### 2.1 What is it?

The goal of the ISL's JANUS project is to build a general-purpose speech recognition toolkit useful for both research and applications. Currently, the software consists of JRTk, the Janus Recognition Toolkit for the development of speech recognition systems, including the Ibis decoder. This document attempts to serve two purposes: the first one is to jump-start users in getting the basic jobs done with JANUS, be it for research projects, or be it to build another system using JANUS, while the second purpose is to also give an overview of the current research done within the JANUS project. This document is for incoming researchers and students as well as external partners in order to familiarize themselves with the options and procedures to make the most of the existing code-base. At the end of this document, you find a list of references to JANUS and an index, covering the most important concepts, files and commands used in JANUS.

#### Terminology

Over time, a number of terms have evolved, referring to different parts of the system, although JANUS' nomenclature is not always strictly adhered to:

**JRTk** refers to the ASR Toolkit developed at the *ISL* in Karlsruhe (*UKA*) and Pittsburgh (*CMU*). It is implemented in C code, with an interface in Tcl/Tk, having an object-oriented look-and-feel.

**janus** means the **janus** executable.

**JANUS** or **Janus** can often be replaced by JRTk or janus.

**Ibis** denotes the one-pass decoder available in Janus V5.0 and later.

#### Why the names?<sup>1</sup>

**Janus:** Roman god of doorways and archways, after whom the month of January is named.

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<sup>1</sup>From <http://concise.britannica.com>.

Often depicted as a double-faced head, he was a deity of beginnings. The worship of Janus dated back to the earliest years of Rome, and the city had many freestanding ceremonial gateways called jani, used for symbolically auspicious entrances or exits. The festival of Janus, the Agonium, took place on January 9.

**Ibis:** Egyptian Djhuty, also spelled Djhowtey.

In Egyptian religion, a god of the moon, of reckoning, of learning, and of writing. He was held to be the inventor of writing, the creator of languages, the scribe, interpreter, and adviser of the gods, and the representative of the sun god, Re.

Thoth in turn was frequently represented in human form with an ibis' head.

## 2.2 About the documentation

This documentation is intended to cover most aspects that you'll need to know to use JRtK at the Tcl/Tk level. You should also find a lot of useful information if you need to change the C-Source. If you find errors or omissions, feel free to contact one of the maintainers (section 11) or send e-mail to [jrtk@ira.uka.de](mailto:jrtk@ira.uka.de). Don't forget to look at the "trouble-shooting" section 7, too.

This documentation contains four main parts:

1. A cookbook of training procedures in chapter 5. Basic system training can most easily be done by using the Janus Scripts Collection documented in 3.4.
2. A How-To on decoding strategies and using existing systems with the Ibis one-pass decoder in chapter 6.
3. The alphabetical list of modules available at Tcl-level with their description in chapter 8; a list of functions provided by the Tcl-library can be found in chapter 9.
4. A description of files and formats needed or used in JANUS in chapter 10.

The source and documentation are kept under SVN, it is assumed that you are familiar with version control. To build documentation from the sources, you should be able to use "make pdf" with the provided "Makefile" as follows:

```
~/janus/doc > ../src/Linux/janus lib2tex.tcl
~/janus/doc > ../src/Linux/janus tcl2tex.tcl
~/janus/doc > make pdf
```

Generating documentation was last tested on "Snow Leopard" using Tcl 8.4.

## 2.3 Installation

All Janus software is contained in a `janus` directory, which you can either find on your distribution media, copy from somewhere, or check out from CVS/SVN. Installing JRtK consists of the following three steps:

1. Copy the janus distribution directory somewhere on your file system.

We suggest to create a `janus` directory in your home directory. This directory will be referred to as `<JANUSHOME>` in the future, it should contain the `library`, `tcl-lib`, `gui-tcl` and optionally the `bin`, `src` and `doc` subdirectories.

2. Set environment variables appropriately.

Set your search path, so that the correct janus executable for your system and architecture can be found. On a Linux system, you can for example add `<JANUSHOME>/src/Linux.gcc` to your `PATH` environment variable. Alternatively, you can copy the executable(s) to a location already on your search path (e.g. `~/bin`).

On Unixes, janus needs three environment variables:

`JANUS_LIBRARY` needs to be set to `<JANUSHOME>/library`

`HOST` should be set to the name of your node. On Linux machines using a `tcsh`, you can say `setenv HOST `uname -n``

`HOME` should contain the path to your home directory. In principle, this can be any directory.

Note that on some Unix machines, it might also be necessary to set `TCL_LIBRARY` and `TK_LIBRARY` to appropriate values (often `/usr/lib/tcl8.4` and `/usr/lib/tk8.4`), and you might need to set `LD_LIBRARY_PATH`, if you want to use dynamic linking. An example `.tcshrc` excerpt:

```
# JRtk
setenv JANUS_LIBRARY "${HOME}/janus/library"
setenv TCL_LIBRARY    "/usr/lib/tcl8.4"
setenv TK_LIBRARY     "/usr/lib/tk8.4"
setenv LD_LIBRARY_PATH "${HOME}/tools/nist/lib:${HOME}/tools/portaudio/lib/.libs:${HOME}/t
```

3. Adapt the startup configuration file `.janusrc` to your needs.

Copy the `<JANUSHOME>/scripts/janusrc` file to `${HOME}/.janusrc`, i.e. the directory declared with the `HOME` environment variable. Open the `.janusrc` file with a text editor and change the lines setting the `JANUSHOME` variable to the value of `<JANUSHOME>`. If you experience difficulties when creating logfiles on a Windows platform, try uncommenting the `set LOGFILE "janus.log"` line.

If you are used to a Unix-style environment and work on a Windows platform, you might consider looking at the Cygwin tools (<http://www.cygwin.com/>); although Janus will run just as well without them.

The default `.janusrc` automatically optimizes your Janus setup depending on the architecture, operation system and location you use. If janus doesn't start or these automatically detected settings are incorrect, there are several things you can to check:

1. Are all the dynamically linked libraries there? This is not the case if Janus complains about missing libraries, it can be fixed by setting the environment variable `LD_LIBRARY_PATH` accordingly. Tcl/Tk has to be available in the correct version.
2. Does Janus not start because of wrong X settings? You either have to set the `DISPLAY` environment variable or run a Janus binary compiled without X support.
3. Are the paths set correctly (cf. `~/tclshrc`)?
4. Can Janus initialize properly? The environment variable `JANUS_LIBRARY` should be set to `~/janus/library` (or whatever is appropriate) and `~/janusrc` should contain the lines

```
set JANUSLIB "$env(HOME)/janus/gui-tcl"
set auto_path "$env(HOME)/janus/tcl-lib \
               $JANUSLIB $auto_path"
```

or equivalent. These lines tell Janus where to find the Tcl scripts needed to initialize Tcl and Janus itself properly. You can override the settings for `gui-tcl` and `tcl-lib` in your own scripts, but you have to know what you're doing ;-)

5. If Janus runs all right, but blocks (i.e. stops) when it tries to use `fgets` (which is used in most procedures provided in `tcl-lib`), you're most likely experiencing an `fgets`-Problem and you want to read the [7](#) section.

If the above installation did not work for you, there are a few additional things to check. You'll find some information in [section 7](#).

On **Windows**, JRTk can be installed as follows:

- install gunzip (GnuWin32) for windows, preferable in version 1.3.5 (gzip-1.3.5-bin.exe)
- copy `.janusrc` to your home directory (Documents and Settings/... user name ...)
- edit `.janusrc` as appropriate
- install Tcl8.4 (ActiveTcl8.4.19.1.286921-win32-ix86-threaded.exe)
- add to system variables (Settings, Control Panel, System, Advanced, Environment Variables):
  - new `JANUS_LIBRARY` "...path.../janus/library" (Unix notation!)
  - add to `PATH`: "...path...\GnuWin32\bin" and "...path...janus\tcl-lib" (you may need to do this as an administrator, Windows notation!)
- reboot windows



Compilation on Windows is usually done with Visual Studio. Also, be aware that Windows uses CR+LF line endings in text files, which under some circumstances cannot be read properly on Unixes. Also, if you get weird errors when loading acoustic models, try if the `gzip` and `gunzip` commands can be executed successfully from the command line.

## 2.4 Language Models

The generation of language models is not part of JRTk. The standard LM in the Ibis decoder, created and loaded with

```
[LingKS lm$SID NGramLM] load $lmDesc
```

can read a standard ARPA-format file. These can be created by a number of toolkits:

- The CLAUSI tools available at ISL.
- The CMU-SLMT toolkit, available at <http://svr-www.eng.cam.ac.uk/~prc14/toolkit.html>.
- The SRI Language Modeling Toolkit, available at <http://www.speech.sri.com/projects/srilm/>.

Which one to use depends on availability and experience. Note that language models can become very big. Even a compressed (.gz) file will take up more space on disc and take longer to load than a so-called language model dump file.

## 2.5 Scoring

A comprehensive scoring package is not part of Janus. Instead, the Ibis decoder can write hypotheses in CTM format, which can directly be processed with NIST's SCLite scoring package. Using Tcl, it is straightforward to write hypotes in almost any format you might need.

Additionally, the Tcl-library implements an “align” function, which you can use to compute string edit distances for simple alignment problems. See [align.tcl](#) for details. This file also defines a set of lower-level functions, which you might find useful.

## 2.6 Compilation

Using the Makefile provided in the `src` directory, it is possible to compile Janus on Linux, Mac OS X, and Solaris. You can also set switches like `-DMTHREAD` for a multi-threaded version of Janus. Currently, two main targets are supported by this Makefile:

**janus\_opt** the default version, contains everything to train and test

**janusNX\_opt** janus\_opt without X-Windows and readline support

Simply type `make` or `make janus_opt` to compile Janus. On SUNs, you might have to use `gmake` instead of `make`. To build debugging or profiling versions, replace `opt` by `dbg` or `prf`. For cleaning the object directory, simply type e.g. `make clean_opt` for the optimized code. This is especially necessary, when using another main target, because the object files for both targets are taking place in the same directory. Different directories will be created for `opt`, `dbg` and `prf` version.

Depending on the exact system configuration you're using, Janus (on Unix, particularly Linux) depends on the following libraries:

**System Librarys :** `ld`, `m`, `X11` (until compiled without `X11` support), `readline` (GNU), `termcap`, `ncurses`, `pthread`

**Tcl/Tk 8.0** or greater; if you use Tcl/Tk 8.4 or greater you should add `-DUSE_COMPAT_CONST` to your `CFlags`

**SPHERE** : `sp`, `util` from NIST's SPHERE library<sup>2</sup>, if you want to read files in SPHERE format and you're using `-DSPHERE`

The exact libraries you'll need depend on your system and if you want to use static or dynamic linking. A complete description of compile-time options and optimizations is beyond the scope of this documentation, on Linux systems we're using the following switches for `gcc`: `-O3 -ffast-math -fomit-frame-pointer -march=pentium4`, you might also try `-mfpmath=sse -msse` on PIII systems.

The following configurations are well tested: On SOLARIS machines, we compile Janus with the SUN compiler WS5.0 and the GNU compiler `gcc 2.95`; on Linux we mainly use the Intel C++ compiler `icc6.0 (7.0)` and `gcc 2.95` or greater (`gcc 3.0, 3.2, 3.3`). On Windows platforms, the Microsoft compiler VisualC++ is used. A work space file can be found in the `src/Windows` directory.

If you want to generate a version which does not include the three-pass decoder and the neural net code, do not include `$(SEARCHOBS)` during compilation and don't include `Search_Init()` in `src/main/janusInit.c` (use `-DIBIS -DNO.NET`). This is accomplished by using the `ibis_opt` target. For a version which does not rely on Tcl/ Tk, use the `ibisNTCL_opt` target. More information can be found in the `Makefile` available in the `src` directory.

## Defines

Some properties of the Ibis decoder can only be changed by altering `#defines` and `typedefs` in `src/ibis/slimits.h`. Changing these values will require you to re-compile Janus and will also make it impossible to re-use object dump-files, because the internal representation of data structures has changed.

The most frequently used settings are:

**LVX, LVX\_MAX** sets the maximum language model vocabulary size to 65535 ( $2^{16} - 1$ ) or  $2^{32} - 1$ .

**SVX, SVX\_MAX** sets the maximum search vocabulary size to 65535 ( $2^{16} - 1$ ) or  $2^{32} - 1$ . This setting has to be at least as big as the setting of `LVX`, `LVX_MAX`. It has some influence on runtime memory consumption.

<sup>2</sup>[http://www.nist.gov/speech/tools/sphere\\_26atarZ.htm](http://www.nist.gov/speech/tools/sphere_26atarZ.htm), be warned: the original version needs modifications to compile under modern Linuxes and contains bugs

## 2.7 Version history

The version of Janus you are running can be determined from the start-up message the `janus` binary displays:

```
# =====
#
#  _ _  | |  _ \ | _  | |  _  V5.0 P012 [Nov 11 2002 11:11:11]
#    | | | | | | | | / | -----
#    | | | _ < | | | <   University of Karlsruhe, Germany
#    | | | _ | | | _ | \ _ | Carnegie Mellon University, USA
#    _ | | JANUS Recognition
#    \ _ /      Toolkit      (c) 1993-2002 Interactive Systems Labs
#
# =====
started janus: on i13pc234.10934, Fri Oct 25 10:03:53 CEST 2002
```

This means that this executable was compiled on November 11, 2002. The version is “Janus V5.0, patch-level 12”. Some versions of Janus were “stamped” with an extra tag (e.g. “fame”, “glory”, ...), which will then also appear printed in this line. Also, CVS or SVN version information might be embedded in the start-up message. The last line of output, **started janus:** ... is generated in the file `.janusrc` and logs the start-up time of this process. The differences between different versions and patch-levels of janus are listed below:

**V5.2, P000** released on 2008-??-??

- added various feature enhancement techniques
- incorporates all code written for the RT07S Meeting eval
- added description of pre-processing methods to documentation
- added ICA

**V5.0, P014** released on 2004-09-24

- bugfixes over P013
- incorporates all code written for the RT04S Meeting eval
- added the description of adaptation methods to documentation
- some code for array (pre-)processing integrated
- changes in CFG implementation: support of additional grammar file formats (FSM, PFSG), support of weight definitions through JSFG, support for generating random terminal sequences
- support for reading LMs with unsorted n-gram sections, e.g. produced by the SRILM-Toolkit
- x86-64 code cleaning

**V5.0, P013** released on 2003-08-13

- support for training on Windows (bugfixes in IslSystem)
- cleaner interface to NGets
- incorporates all code written for the RT03 CTS eval
- major changes in grammar implementation
- discriminative training (MMIE)

- bugfixes (splitting of trees, interpolated LMs)
- changed glatComputeGamma and Confidence

**V5.0, P012** released on 2002-11-27

- redesigned filler words
- code-cleaning for windows

**V5.0, P011** released on 2002-10-10

**LingKS:** redesign of language model interface (Tcl-scripts have to be adapted, see **ibisInit** for a comparison of the two interfaces). Basically, a language model now is an object of type **LingKS**, while before the language model could be of different types (LModelNJD, MetaLM, PhraseLM, CFGSet). Now, a language model has a type-specific sub-object. The methods and configuration options change accordingly.

**V5.0, P010** released on 2002-02-27

**XCM:** option for left context dependency only

**STree:** convert search tree representation to general network structure and compress the network with the 'coarset partition' algorithm

**GLat:** changed lattice generation, support to write lattices in HTK format

**LTree:** redesigned ltreeFillCtx changed acoustic rescoring of lattices

**MetaLM:** more efficient interpolation

**PhraseLM:** optimized lct handling, added reading of map files

**CFG:** basic grammar support

**HMM:** training of full context dependent single phone words

**Codebooks/Distribts/Senones/Streams:** a couple of things

**V5.0, P009** released on 2002-01-07

**GLat:**

- changed handling of filler words in forward/backward pass
- added ignoreFTag option in glatAlign
- improved handling of dis-connected nodes in glatConnect
- added nodeN option in glatPrune

**PhraseLM:** fixed lct handling in ScoreArray function

**SMem/STree/SPass:** removed position mapper

**V5.0, P008** released on 2001-12-05

- Changed search space memory management
- Fixed trace function in stree
- Changes according to the intel compiler

**V5.0, P007** released on 2001-11-15

fixed final (?) problem with deletion of dictionary entries.

**V5.0, P006** released on 2001-11-14

fixed remaining problem with deletion of dictionary entries.

**V5.0, P005** released on 2001-11-07

- Increased data size for PHMMX in slimits.h

- Added configuration options for svmap and phraseLM
- Made praseLM relocatable

**V5.0, P004** released on 2001-11-06

- Support for arbitrary HMM-topologies
- Added one-state fast match module
- Support for streams in scoreA and mladaptS
- Deactivated LCT-checker in strace

**V5.0, P003** released on 2001-10-30

Bugfixed and some new features: removed a memory allocation bug in the semitied covariance code, which showed up under Linux. Also made the query of codebooks with distribution names working. Made some conversion problems if distribution and codebooks have different names. Made featureADC a bit more portable. Made deletion of words from the dictionary work. Added saving to disc of a single distribution or codebook into a distributionSet or CodebookSet.

**V5.0, P002** released on 2001-10-19

Update of the windows environment to the IBIS code.

**V5.0, P001** released on 2001-10-15

Established Ibis branch from former Janus main branch jtk-01-01-15-fms.



## Chapter 3

# The Janus User Interface

### 3.1 Tcl basics in 5 minutes

Tcl stands for 'tool command language' and is pronounced 'tickle.'

#### Starting

You start tcl by typing `tcl` or `tclsh` in your Unix shell. Thus you enter an interactive mode within Tcl. You can leave with the tcl command `exit`. If you want to use the tcl tool kit (TclTk) you use `wish` instead of `tcl`.

```
> tcl
tcl> # this is a comment because the line starts with '#'
tcl> # now we define the variable text
tcl> set text "hello world"
tcl> puts $text
hello world
tcl> exit
>
```

#### Variables

Variables in tcl can be defined with the command `set` and the value can be used with `$variable_name`. Arrays can be indexed with arbitrary names in `()`. Curly braces are used to separate variable names from following characters.

```
tcl> set name1 Hans
tcl> puts $name1
Hans
tcl> set name2 $name1
tcl> puts ${name2}_im_Glueck
Hans_im_Glueck
tcl> set data(name) Hans
tcl> set data(age) 35
tcl> set data(1,2) something
tcl> set index name
tcl> puts $data($index)
Hans
```

## Commands, grouping and procedures

Commands and procedures are called with their name followed by arguments. Arguments are separated by spaces. They can be grouped together with `""` or `.`. The difference is that variables within `""` will be replaced. `;` separates commands in one line.

```
tcl> set a 1
tcl> puts "$a + 1"
1 + 1
tcl> puts {$a + 1}
$a + 1
tcl> puts "{$a} + 1"
{1} + 1
tcl> set b 1; puts $b;      # bla bla
```

A command and arguments within `[]` will be executed and `[command arg1 arg2 ..]` will be replaced with the return value.

```
tcl> expr 1 + 2
3
tcl> puts "1 + 2 = [expr 1 + 2]"
1 + 2 = 3
```

The interpretation of `$variable` and `[]` can be switched off with

.

```
tcl> set a 999
tcl> puts "\[$a \$\]"
[999 $]
tcl> puts {[$a $]}
[$a $]
```

New commands or better procedures can be defined with the command `proc`.

```
tcl> proc add {a b} {return [expr $a + $b]}
tcl> add 1 2
3
```

Note that the procedure name 'add', the variable list 'a b' and the body of the function 'return [expr \$a + \$b]' are the arguments of the command 'proc'. You can also use optional arguments with their default value.

```
tcl> proc printText {times {text "hello word"}} {
=>     for {set i 0} {$i<$times} {incr i} {
=>         puts $text
=>     }
=>     return $times
=> }
tcl> printText 2
hello word
hello word
tcl> printText 1 "hello Monika"
hello Monika
```

Each procedure has a local scope for variables. But you can use the 'global' command in a procedure to access global variables.



```

tcl> proc putsnames {} {global name1; puts $name1; puts $name2}
tcl> putsnames
can't read "name1": no such variable
tcl> set name1 Tanja
tcl> set name2 Petra
tcl> putsnames
Tanja
can't read "name2": no such variable

```

## Control flow

```

tcl> if {$i > 0} {puts "1"} else {puts "0"}
tcl> if {"$name" == "Tilo"} {
=>     #
=>     #do something here
=>     #
=> }
tcl> for {set i 0} {$i < 10} {incr i} {puts $i}
tcl> foreach value {1 2 3 5} {puts stdout "$value"}
tcl> while {$i>0} {incr i -1}
tcl> switch $i {
=>     1           {puts "i = 1"}
=>     "hello"     {puts "hi"}
=>     default     {puts "?"}
=> }

```

You can exit a loop with 'break' or 'continue' with the next iteration.

## Errors

With 'catch' errors can be trapped.

```

tcl> if [catch {expr 1.0 / $a} result ] {
=>     puts stderr $result
=> } else {
=>     puts "1 / $a = $result"
=> }

```

## File I/O

```

tcl> set FP [open $fileName r]
tcl> set found 0
tcl> while {[gets $FP line] >= 0} {
=>     if {[string compare "ABC" $line] == 0} {set found 1; break}
=>         # found exactly "ABC"
=>     if ![string compare "XYZ" $line] {set found 2; break}
=>         # found exactly "XYZ"
=>     if [string match ABC*XYZ $line] {set found 3; break}
=>         # found "ABC..something..XYZ"
=> }
tcl> close $FPI

tcl> set FP [open $fileName r]
tcl> set first100bytes [read $FP 100]
tcl> set rest           [read $FP]

```

```
tcl> close $FPI
```

## The string command

Strings are the basic data items in Tcl. The general syntax of the Tcl **string** command is

```
string /operation stringvalue otherargs/.
```

```
tcl> string length abc
3
tcl> string index abc 1
b
tcl> string range abcd 1 end
bcd
```

To compare two strings you can also use `==`. But that might not work as you wanted with strings containing digits because 1 equals 1.00 (but not in a string sense).

```
if ![string compare $a $b] {puts "$a and $b differ"}
```

Use 'first' or 'last' to look for a substring. The return value is the index of the first character of the substring within the string.

```
tcl> string first abc xxxabcxxxabcxx
3
tcl> string last abc xxxabcxxxabcxxx
9
tcl> string last abc xxxxxx
-1
```

The 'string match' command uses the glob-style pattern matching like many UNIX shell commands do (Glob-style syntax):

- \* Matches any number of any character.
- ? Matches any single character.
- [ ] One of a set of characters like [a-z].

```
tcl> string match {a[0-9]bc?def\?ghi*} a5bcYdef?ghixxx
1
```

```
tcl> set a [string tolower abcXY]
abcxy
tcl> string toupper $a
ABCXY
tcl> string trim " abc "
abc
tcl> string trimright "xxabcxxxx" x
xxabc
tcl> string trimleft " a bc"
a bc
```

Here comes a small example that finds the word with 'x' in a sentence.

```
tcl> set s {abc dexfgh ijklm}
tcl> string first x $s
6
tcl> set start [string wordstart $s 6]    ;# start position
4
tcl> set end    [string wordend $s 6]      ;# position after word
10
tcl> string range $s $start [expr $end - 1]
dexfgh
```

## More commands dealing with strings

```
tcl> set a abc
tcl> append a def
abcdef

tcl> puts [format "%8s\t%8.4f" $a -12.7]
    abcdef      -12.7000
tcl> scan "distance 12.34m" "%s%f%c" what value unit
3
```

## Regular Expressions

Regular expression syntax. Matches any character.

\* Matches zero or more.

? Matches zero or one.

( ) Groups a sub-pattern.

— Alternation.

[ ] Set of characters like [a-z]. [0-9] means that numbers are excluded.

^ \_ Beginning of the string.

\$ End of string.

```
tcl> regexp {hello|Hello} Hello
1
tcl> regexp {[hH]ello} Hello
1
tcl> regexp {[0-9]\.([a-z])([a-wyz]*)} "xxx8.babcxxxxxx" match s1 s2
1
tcl> puts "$match $s1 $s2"
8.babc b abc

tcl> regsub {[0-9]\.([a-z])([a-wyz]*)} "xxx8.babcxxxxxx" {__\1__\2__&__} var
tcl> puts $var
xxx__b__abc__8.babc__xxxxxx
```

## Lists

Tcl lists are just strings with a special interpretation. Separated by white space or grouped with braces or quotes.

```
tcl> set mylist "a b {c d}"
tcl> set mylist [list a b {c d}]    ;# same as above
```

```
tcl> foreach element $mylist {puts $element}
a
b
c d
```

Here several Tcl commands related to lists:

```
tcl> lindex $mylist 1          ;# note the index starts with 0
b
tcl> llength $mylist          ;# 'c d' is only one element
3

tcl> lappend mylist {g h}      ;# this time the list name 'mylist' is used
a b {c d} {g h}
tcl> lrange $mylist 2 end
{c d} {g h}
tcl> linsert $mylist 3 E x      ;# note that we don't give the list name here!
a b {c d} E x {g h}
tcl> set mylist [linsert $mylist 3 E x];# to change the list we have to use 'set'
a b {c d} E x {g h}

tcl> lsearch -exact $mylist E ;# other modes are the default '-glob' and '-regexp'
3
tcl> lreplace $mylist 3 5 e f {g h i}
a b {c d} e f {g h i}
tcl> lreplace $mylist 3 3      ;# delete element 3

tcl> lsort "-1.2 -1 -900 -90 1e-3 10"
-1 -1.2 -90 -900 10 1e-3
tcl> lsort -real "-1.2 -1 -900 -90 1e-3 10"
      # other flags are '-ascii', '-integer', '-increasing', '-decreasing'
-900 -90 -1.2 -1 1e-3 10

tcl> list "a b" c
{a b} c
tcl> concat "a b" c
a b c

tcl> join "{} usr local bin" /
/usr/local/bin
tcl> split /usr/my-local/bin /-
{} usr my local bin
```

## Arrays

```
tcl> array exists a
0
tcl> set a(0) 0.12;    set a(1) 1.23;    set a(name) hello

tcl> array size a
3
tcl> array names a
0 name 1
tcl> array get a
0 0.12 name hello 1 1.23
```

The initialization could have been done with:

```
tcl> array set a "0 0.12 name hello 1 1.23"
tcl> array set b [array get a]      ;# Copy array b from a:
```

Other array commands are startsearch, nextelement, anymore, donesearch.

## 3.2 Janus Objects

JANUS was designed to be programmable. The programming language is Tcl/Tk, expanded by some object classes and their methods. Object classes are things like dictionaries, codebooks, but also the decoder itself is an object class. Every object class has its methods (operations that can be done with objects of that class). Objects can have subobjects and can be hierarchically organized. The object oriented programming paradigm allows, at least in principle, to plug in and out objects as one wishes. Simply change the dictionary by assigning a new one, copy codebooks as easily as "cb1 := cb2", add distribution accumulators as easily as "ds1.accu += ds2.accu", etc.

### Create JANUS Objects

Objects are meant to hold data but also provide methods to manipulate that data. To define an object you have to specify its *\*type\**. The convention is that type names start with capital letters and objects with small letters. You can define as many objects of one type as you like. To see what types exist just type (one of the few) JANUS command 'types'.<sup>1</sup>

```
% types
FlatFwd ModelArray DurationSet Word Cbcfg SampleSet DVector PTree HMM
Vocab FMatrix CodebookMapItem PTreeSet MLNorm Dscfg PathItemList
CodebookAccu HypoList DBaseIdx SampleSetClass SenoneTag Feature
PhonesSet DCovMatrix Phone FMatrix Phones DistribAccu IMatrix
TopoSet SVector XWModel IArray DMatrix FVector StateGraph FCovMatrix
Duration PTreeNode LatNode Hypo Senone TreeFwd LDA Topo MLNormClass
Codebook Tags LDAClass FeatureSet Tree PhoneGraph CodebookMap Path
Search AModelSet RewriteSet
```

The list you get here depends on the version and compile options. You create an object when you enter a *\*type name\** followed by the *\*name of the new object\**. Some types require additional arguments, like subobjects. As an example we define an object (let's call it 'ps') of type PhonesSet. You can get a list of all objects you have defined with the command 'objects'. One object name can only be used once (also for different types) but you can 'destroy' objects. 'destroy' is a standard method of every object (s.b.).

```
% PhonesSet ps
ps
% PhonesSet ps
WARNING itf.c(0287)   Object ps already exists.
% PhonesSet ps2
ps2
% objects
ps ps2
```

---

<sup>1</sup>By the way '%' is the prompt of the JANUS shell. You can also use any Tcl and Tk commands.

summary: JANUS commands `*types *` list all object types `*objects *` list all objects defined by user

## Standard Methods

As soon as you have defined an object you can use its `*name*` followed by a `*method*` and arguments. The different object types have their own methods of course but at least a few are standard methods that exist for every object. These are

**type** gives the type of the object

**puts** print contents of the object

**configure** configure the object

**:** allow access to list element

**.** allow access to subobjects

**destroy** destroy object

To find out what other methods exist we enter either the `*type name*` without any object name or the object name followed by `'-help'`. To get more information about a specific method we enter the object name, the method and `'-help'`.

```
% ps -help
```

DESCRIPTION

A 'PhonesSet' object is a set of 'Phones' objects.

METHODS

<code>puts</code>	displays the contents of a set of phone-sets
<code>add</code>	add new phone-set to a set of phones-set
<code>delete</code>	delete phone-set(s) from a set of phone-sets
<code>read</code>	read a set of phone-sets from a file
<code>write</code>	write a set of phone-sets into a file
<code>index</code>	return index of named phone-set(s)
<code>name</code>	return the name of indexed phone-set(s)

```
% ps add -help
```

Options of 'add' are:

```
< name>    name of list (string:"NULL")
```

```
< phone*>  list of phones
```

```
% ps add VOWEL A E I O U
```

We just added the element 'VOWEL' to the PhonesSet object `ps`. To see the contents of the object we can use the method `'puts'` or just the object name which is the same in most cases.

```
% ps puts
```

```
VOWEL
```

```
% ps
```

```
VOWEL
```

## Access to Elements and Subobjects

The standard methods `':'` and `'.'` allow access to elements and subobjects respectively. *\*Elements\** of an objects have the same kind of structure like the words of a dictionary or phone groups (like the `'VOWEL'`) in the `PhonesSet`. Nevertheless they can also be objects and most time they are. *\*Subobjects\** are more unique, like the `Phones` of a dictionary as we will see immediately. For these two methods and only for them you can omit the spaces between the object and also between the single argument which is the name of the element or the subobject. If you don't give a name you will obtain a list of the choices.<sup>2</sup>

```
% ps:
VOWEL
% ps:VOWEL
A E I O U
% ps type
PhonesSet
% ps:VOWEL type
Phones
```

Let's assume we have also defined a phone group `'PHONES'` in the `PhonesSet` `'ps'` that contains all the `Phones` of a dictionary. Then we can create a dictionary object that needs the name of a *\*Phones object\** and of a *\*Tags object\** as arguments. Both have to be created before.

```
% Tags ts
ts
% Dictionary d ps:PHONES ts
d
% d add DOG "D O G"
% d add DUCK "D U CK"
% d.
phones tags item(0..1) list
% d:
DOG DUCK
```

With `'d.phones'` for example you have access to the object `'ps:PHONES'`. Although there is a method for `PhonesSet` to delete elements like `'PHONES'` you will get an error if you try that because it was locked as you defined the dictionary. This prevents objects from being deleted while they are used by other objects.

## Configuration

Sometimes it might be necessary to configure *\*objects\** or *\*object types\**. You can get all configure items, get a specific one or set one or more items. In the latter case only if they are writable.

```
% ps configure
{-useN 1} {-commentChar {;}} {-itemN 2} {-blkSize 20}
% ps configure -commentChar
{;}
% ps configure -commentChar #
```

---

<sup>2</sup>In case of `':'` you again get a list of the elements like with `'puts'` or just the object name with no method.

Note: The old comment sign `;` was protected with curly braces because it is the command separator in Tcl.

Can you explain the following line and its return value.

```
% ps configure -commentChar ;
#
```

### 3.3 The Janus Library: “tcl-lib” and “gui-tcl”

The Tcl-library is a set of procedures the user can invoke and which provide a number of “convenience” functions. The scripts in the Janus Scripts Collection (`~/janus/scripts`, see chapter [scripts](#)) use the Tcl-library extensively. The Tcl-library can be found in `~/janus/tcl-lib` and `~/janus/gui-tcl`. To auto-load the functions, the Tcl-variable `auto_path` has to be set correctly, i.e. to the value of these two directories. Also, a file `tclIndex` has to exist in these directories. You should not need to worry, if you follow the standard install instructions, otherwise refer to any Tcl manual for a description of the auto-loading mechanism. The functions available in the tcl-lib are described in chapter [lib](#).

### 3.4 The Janus Scripts Collection

The directory `~/janus/scripts` contains a number of scripts, which we normally use to train and test systems. These scripts are often modified and copied in a system directory for documentation purposes.

If you have access to an example system (i.e. `IslData`, `IslSystem`), we suggest that you have a look at it to see how data and scripts are typically organized in a JRtk project. Usually, the structure of a project looks as follows (this project would be called the “M1” system):

```
M1/
|
|--master.log
|
|--Log/
|   |--makeCI.log
|
|--desc/
|   |--desc.tcl
|   |--codebookSet
|   |--distribSet
|   |--distribTree
|   |--featAccess
|   |--featDesc
|   |--phonesSet
|   |--tags
|   |--tmSet
|   |--topoSet
|   |--topoTree
|
|--train/
|   |--ldaM1.bmat
|   |--ldaM1.counts
|   |--convList
```



```

| |
| +---Log/
| | +---lda.log
| | +---samples.log
| | +---kmeans.log
| | '--train.log
| |
| +---Accus/
| | +- 1.cba.gz
| | '--1.dsa.gz
| |
| '--Weights
| +---0.cbs.gz
| '--0.dss.gz
|
+---test/
  +---convList
  |
  +---Log/
  | '--test.log
  |
  '--hypos/
    '--H_kottan_z26_p0_LV.ctm

```

Typically, a system directory (here: “M1”) contains a number of sub-directories, each for different phases (label writing, cepstral mean computation, model training (“train”), polyphone training/ clustering, testing (“test”), ...). Each directory then contains the data resulting from this step and log-files.

The scripts who perform the operations can be left under `janus/scripts`, only `desc.tcl` is a configuration file specific to this project and is therefore copied into the project directory along with the other description files.

### 3.4.1 Available Scripts

The following scripts are available in the Janus Scripts Collection (in the order in which they are usually called):

**genDBase.tcl** This script can be used to create a database, which is necessary for all further steps. Look at the resulting database files (they are called `db-{spk|utt}.{idx|dat}`) to see what information can and needs to be defined in the database.

Depending on your needs and the format, in which you have the information available, you will need to modify this script to suit your needs.

**makeCI.tcl** Creates the following description files for a context-independent (CI) system:

- codebookSet
- distribSet
- distribTree

You’ll need to have all the other description files in place, namely the phones-Set. If you want to use a different architecture (i.e. semi-tied, or non-tri-state architectures), you can edit this file according to your needs.

**means.tcl** This script will create the cepstral means needed for the standard pre-processing of the Janus-based recognizers.

**lda.tcl** This script computes an LDA matrix, used for the standard pre-processing.

**samples.tcl** This script extracts samples for further clustering with **kmeans.tcl**.

**kmeans.tcl** Performs KMeans clustering on data extracted with **samples.tcl**.

**train.tcl** Performs EM-training on initial codebooks from **kmeans.tcl**. Can be used for training of a context-independent (CI), a context-dependent (CD), or a polyphone (PT) system. Normally, we do label training although it is also possible to do viterbi- or forward-backward-training by replacing **viterbiUtterance** by for example **viterbiUtterance**.

**makePT.tcl** Creates a polyphone (PT) system from the CI description files.

**cluster.tcl** Clusters the contexts from PT training.

**split.tcl** Creates the context-dependent (CD) models after PT training, creates the following CD description files (with  $N > 0$ ):

- codebookSet.N.gz
- distribSet.Np.gz
- distribTree.Np.gz

**createBBI.tcl** Creates a BBI (bucket-box intersection) tree for a codebook.

**test.tcl** Tests a system.

**score.tcl** Scores a system, i.e. computes word error rates.

**ana.time.tcl** Allows to measure the CPU-time spent in pre-defined sections of a script. You can find more details about timing analysis and how to use this script in section 6.1.6.

**labels.tcl** Writes new labels with an existing system. Can also be used to bootstrap a new system using the acoustic models from another system.

An example **desc.tcl** file is also included in the script collection. All “working” scripts source `../desc/desc.tcl` and load the settings (paths, ...) from there, although these can be overridden at the command line or in the script itself. **janusrc** is an example configuration file for janus, which is best adapted and copied into your home directory as **.janusrc**.

### 3.4.2 Working with master.tcl

We assume you have a system directory setup correctly, including pre-computed time-alignments (“labels”). When working with the example system “IslSystem”, you have a **desc** directory which contains an appropriate **desc.tcl** file. In the “system home directory” (“M1” in the above example), you can now enter

```
janus <janus>/scripts/master.tcl -do init means lda samples kmeans train
```

and the master script will create a context-independent (CI) system in the **M1/train** directory. `<janus>` refers to your Janus installation directory.<sup>3</sup> You’ll find logfiles in your system’s **Log** subdirectory. The following steps were performed, calling the following scripts:

**init** (**makeCI.tcl**) to create the codebookSet, distribSet, distribTree definition files for the CI system

**means** (**means.tcl**) to compute the cepstral means for this preprocessing. This can be re-used for a CD-system

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<sup>3</sup>Usually this will be `~/janus`.

lda (**lda.tcl**) to compute the LDA (Linear Discriminant Analysis) matrix for this system.

samples (**samples.tcl**) to extract samples for the CI models

kmeans (**kmeans.tcl**) to create initial codebooks from the samples, written into **Weights/0**. Once this step is completed, you can remove the **data** subdirectory.

train (**train.tcl**) to perform several iterations of EM-training on the initial codebooks. At the end of this step, you can remove the contents of the **Accus** subdirectory as well as intermediate codebooks in **Weights**, to save space.

**master.tcl** will show you the command lines it executes, if you want to parallelize your training, you can copy the output lines `exec janus lda.tcl ...` (omitting the `exec` and changing the log file name) and run the same script on several machines.

To run the polyphone training, enter

```
janus <janus>/scripts/master.tcl -do makePT trainPT cluster split
```

This will create the description files for a context-dependent system.

To run the training for the context-dependent system, enter

```
janus <janus>/scripts/master.tcl -do lda samples kmeans train test score
```

assuming that you have created a new directory and set up the paths for codebookSetParam and distribSetParam accordingly. To create initial time alignments for a new system, edit the description file (probably you'll have to change most of the files usually in the "desc" directory to match your old system and your desired new setup) and execute:

```
janus <janus>/scripts/master.tcl -do labels
```

If you type

```
janus <janus>/scripts/master.tcl -h
```

you'll get a list of all command line options for **master.tcl**.

### 3.4.3 Extra scripts

The **scripts** directory also contains a number of scripts, which can not (currently) be called through **master.tcl**. They can however serve as example scripts, which can be adapted to specific problems.

**map.tcl** An example script to perform **MAP** adaptation.

**mllr.tcl** An example script to perform **MLLR** adaptation.



## Chapter 4

# Pre-Processing with JRTk

Janus can use just about any conceivable recognizer front-end. Most “standard” ways of doing pre-processing, such as mel frequency cepstral coefficients (MFCC)s or perceptual linear prediction, are almost certainly already implemented in the `FeatureSet`. FIR-Filters can be applied to features with the `filter` method, and so on. Have a look at the `FeatureSet` and example `featDescs` to see what’s already available. In the remainder of this chapter we will give more details about some of the features which are available in the `FeatureSet` module and might require a more detailed explanation.

Various sample scripts including MFCC and warped-minimum variance distortionless response (MVDR) front-ends as well as reverberation compensation by multi-step linear prediction (MSLP), non-stationary noise compensation by particle filter (PF)s and joint compensation of both distortions can be found in the scripts directory.

### 4.1 Spectral Estimation

Spectral analysis is a fundamental part of speech feature extraction for automatic recognition and many other speech processing algorithms. Janus contains a broad variety of spectral estimation techniques to adjust for spectral resolution, variance of the estimated spectra, and to model the frequency response function of the vocal tract during voiced speech. In the following example the Fourier spectrum <FFT>, the warped MVDR spectral envelope <MVDR> —mel frequency for a 16 kHz signal— and the scaling of the spectral envelope <sMVDR> is demonstrated:

```
set order 30
set windowSize 16ms

$fes spectrum FFT ADC $windowSize
$fes adc2spec ADC $windowSize -win hamming -adc SPADC
$fes specest MVDR SPADC $order -type MVDR \
                        -lpmethod warp -warp 0.4595
$fes specadj sMVDR MVDR FFT -smooth 2
```

NOTE: For a 8 kHz signal the warp factor has to be replaced by 0.3624.

Different spectral estimation techniques within the Janus framework are compared and explained in [19, 17, 20].

## 4.2 VTLN

Vocal track length normalization (VTLN) can be applied either in the linear or in the warped (mel) domain. The domain mainly depends on the used spectral estimation method as described in section 4.1. While the implementation in the linear domain is not able to reduce the number of spectral bins (can for example be implemented by the mel filterbank), the implementation in the warped domain can provide a reduced number of spectral bins. The two different implementations can be called as follows:

- In the linear domain

```
$fes VTLN <TO> <FROM> $WARP -mod lin -edge 0.8
```

- In the warped (mel) domain

```
set warp [expr round(200-$WARP*100)/100.0]

if { $warp < 0.75 } { set warp 0.75 }
if { $warp == 1.0 } { set warp 1 }
if { $warp > 1.35 } { set warp 1.35 }

if {[llength [objects FBMatrix VTLN${warp}]] != 1} {
    writeLog stderr "LOAD filterbank 16 kHz, 16 ms, 129 bins, \
    ${warp} warp"
    source ${path}/filterbanks/Filterbanks16kHz16ms129bins/ \
    VTLN.filterbank.${warp}
}

$fes filterbank <TO> <FROM> VTLN${warp}
```

NOTE: Different pre-calculated filterbank can be loaded for 8 and 16 kHz.

## 4.3 Feature Enhancement

To cope well with the non-stationary behavior of additive and convolutive distortions Janus contains different feature enhancement techniques which can be used in addition to other adaptation methods as described in section 5.3. In the remainder of this section we present a generic compensation framework to jointly compensate for additive and reverberant distortion. The framework can be easily adjusted to compensate for additive or reverberant distortion only as will be discussed.

Different feature enhancement techniques within the Janus framework are compared and explained in [18, 20].

In **featAccess.tcl** we read the distorted wave file, adjust the segment length, estimate late reflections <fADC> and subtract the energy of the late reflections <fMVDR> to get a dereverberant frame-by-frame speech estimate <subMVDR>:

```
# delay in seconds
set delay 0.06
set size 1000

# determine var. automatically
set delayBins [expr round(16000 * $delay)]
set delayFrames [expr round(100 * $delay)]
```

```

$fes readADC ADC16 $adcFile
$fes cut ADC ADC16 [expr $arg(FROM) - $delay -2.0]s $arg(TO)s

$fes multistep1p FILTER ADC -delay $delayBins -order $size
set FILTER "[$fes:FILTER.data]"
$fes filter fADC ADC "0 $FILTER"

# estimate spectra ADC -> sMVDR and fADC -> fMVDR

# adjust frames accordingly
$fes cut sMVDR sMVDR $delayFrames end
set frames [$fes:fMVDR configure -frameN]
$fes cut fMVDR fMVDR 0 [expr $frames-1-$delayFrames]

# dereverberant speech features
$fes specs subMVDR sMVDR fMVDR -a 1.0 -b 0.1

```

In **featDesc.tcl** we initialize the particle filter as described in more detail in **SpeechGMM.tcl**, learn a GMM for noise as well as fnoise, and apply the particle filter to get the cleaned estimate <SPEC\_cleaned> from the noisy frames <SPEC>:

```

if { ![info exists AMINIT] } {
    writeLog stderr "====> INIT Particle Filter <====="
    source SpeechGMM.tcl
    set AMINIT change
    initAM $SID $fes $AM $SWARP
    writeLog stderr "=====
}

if { $USEPF > 0.5 && [file exists ${spectra}/${arg(UTT)}_cleaned.smp] } {
    $fes FMatrix SPEC_cleaned
    $fes:SPEC_cleaned.data bloom ${spectra}/${arg(UTT)}_cleaned.smp
    puts "Loaded spectrum: ${spectra}/${arg(UTT)}_cleaned.smp"
} else {

    # reduce spectral dimension sMVDR -> SPEC and subMVDR -> diffSPEC
    $fes specs sublog diffSPEC SPEC subSPEC

    if { $USEPF > 0.5 } {
        # train new noise GMM -----
        $fes lin SILENCE SPEECH -1 1
        $fes cut NSPEC SPEC 0 last -select SILENCE
        set noiseN [$fes:NSPEC configure -frameN]
        set inputN [$fes:SPEC configure -frameN]
        writeLog stderr "INFO noise frames: $noiseN of $inputN detected"

        if {$noiseN > 9} {
            trainCB distribSet$AM codebookSet$AM noise
        } else {
            writeLog stderr "INFO < 10 noise frames, noise GMM not updated"
        }
    }

    # shift means of codebook (do not use for additive compensation only)

```

```

trainCB distribSet$AM codebookSet$AM fnoise
subtractCB distribSet$AM codebookSet$AM noise fnoise

# -----
# use Particle Filter
# -----
$fes particlefilter SPEC_cleaned SPEC distribSet$AM \
  -variance PREDICTVAR \
  -refresh 1E-40 \
  -nio 0.0 \
  -ARsmoothing 1 \
  -type sia \
  -init 0 \
  -delayspec diffSPEC

# save spectra -----
$fes:SPEC_cleaned.data bsave ${spectra}/${arg(UTT)}_cleaned.smp
}
}

# additional processing

# cut final feature length
$fes cut LDA LDA 200 last

```

NOTE: If we are interested in compensating for additive distortions only we can remove “-delayspec diffSPEC” from the PF setting. If init is set to 1 the PF is reinitialized: new samples are drawn from the noise GMM and the AR matrix is set to diagonal. Reinitialization is necessary if an environment change is expected, e.g. for a new recording.

In **SpeechGMM.tcl** necessary procedures are defined which are called by **feat-Desc.tcl**:

```

# load a codebook containing a clean speech GMM
set ${AM}(codebookSetDesc) ${pathPFAM}/final.cbsDesc.gz
set ${AM}(codebookSetParam) ${pathPFAM}/final.cbs.gz
set ${AM}(distribSetDesc) ${pathPFAM}/final.dssDesc.gz
set ${AM}(distribSetParam) ${pathPFAM}/final.dss.gz

# -----
# procedures
# -----
proc initAM {SID fes AM warp} {
  codebookSetInit $AM -featureSet featureSet$SID
  distribSetInit $AM

  # add noise and fnoise model
  codebookSet$AM add noise NSPEC 1 20 DIAGONAL
  codebookSet$AM:noise createAccu
  distribSet$AM add noise noise

  codebookSet$AM add fnoise diffSPEC 1 20 DIAGONAL
  codebookSet$AM:fnoise createAccu

```



```

distribSet$AM add fnoise fnoise

if { [llength [objects FMatrix $fes:PREDICTVAR]] != 1} {
  $fes FMatrix PREDICTVAR
  $fes:PREDICTVAR.data := "10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 \
                           10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 0.001 0.001"
}
}

# procedure to train a noise codebook
proc trainCB {dss cbs class} {
  set fe [$cbs.featureSet name [$cbs:$class configure -featX]]
  set frameN [$cbs.featureSet : $fe configure -frameN]
  $dss clearAccus
  $cbs clearAccus
  for {set i 0} {$i < $frameN} {incr i} {
    $dss accuFrame $class $i
  }
  $dss update
  puts "trained new $class model"
}

# subtract noise codebooks
proc subtractCB {dss cbs class1 class2} {
  set m1 [lindex [$cbs:$class1.mat] 0]
  set m2 [lindex [$cbs:$class2.mat] 0]

  set count 0
  set mean_values "{"
  foreach m $m1 {
    set temp [expr pow(10.0,0.1*[lindex $m1 $count])
              -pow(10.0,0.1*[lindex $m2 $count])]
    if { $temp < 10.0 } { set temp 10.0 }
    set temp [expr 10.0*log10($temp)]
    incr count
    set mean_values "$mean_values $temp"
  }
  set mean_values "$mean_values }"
  $cbs:$class1 set $mean_values
}

```



## Chapter 5

# Training with JRTk

### 5.1 Basic Training

“Basic training” refers to the **Training** of a complete context-dependent (CD) system. The Tcl-scripts residing in the **scripts** subdirectory of the JRTk distribution, the so-called “Janus Scripts Collection”, can be studied and used as a basis for experiments. In this section, whenever a Tcl-script is referred to, it can be found in this directory. You can copy these scripts to your systems directory and use them on their own, or you can call them through the script **master.tcl**. The Janus Scripts Collection in turn uses the procedures defined in the Tcl-library (**janus/tcl-lib** and **janus/gui-tcl**), which are described in section 9. Using **master.tcl** it is possible to easily train different systems. Other, more complex training schemes are however possible, see 5.2.

The basic training scheme (possible using **master.tcl**), looks as follows:

1. Create various description files.

This is usually done by manually changing existing files (“desc.tcl”) to your needs. Additionally, you can use the scripts

**genDBase.tcl** to create a new database from free-format information. A Janus database holds all the information related to a specific task, i.e. the transcriptions for an utterance, the appropriate audio file, the utterances for a speaker ...

**makeCI.tcl** to create the codebook and distribution descriptions for a CI system from information supplied

**makePT.tcl** to create the description files for the polyphone training (PT)

If you want to use pre-compute cepstral means during your pre-processing, look at “means.tcl”.

2. Build and train a context-independent system.

This is done by calling **lda.tcl**, **samples.tcl**, **kmeans.tcl**, and **train.tcl** in that order.

3. Cluster a context-independent system, i.e. do “polyphone-training”.

Use **makePT.tcl**, **train.tcl**, **cluster.tcl**

4. Build and train a context-dependent system using the results from the polyphone-training

Using **split.tcl** you can create new description files (for codebooks and distributions) using the results from a polyphone training. The remaining steps are the same as for CI training: **lda.tcl**, **samples.tcl**, **kmeans.tcl**, and **train.tcl**

5. More: build a BBI, write labels or test a system.

BBI (Bucket-Box-Intersection) is a speed-up algorithm. Look at `createBBI.tcl` to see how a BBI tree is computed for an existing codebook. However, you do not need this step, if you don't want to speed up your system, but `test.tcl` can read a bbi tree during testing. `score.tcl` demonstrates how to score the results of a test run. Labels can be written with the example `labels.tcl` file.

This section will first focus on the training scheme, and the concepts behind the JRtk training environment. Step-by-step instructions for training a new system follow in sub-section 5.1.5, although the exact arguments to use for `master.tcl` and the example system are described in the documentation for `IslSystem`.

If you want to write labels with an existing system in order to bootstrap a new system, go to sub-section 5.1.8.

### 5.1.1 Description Files

No matter whether you train a context independent or dependent system, you need a few description files to define your front-end, size and number of acoustic models and so on. The system description file `desc.tcl`, which is usually created by hand, plays a central role here. The file `desc.tcl` from the example system "ISLci" or the `scripts/desc.tcl` file might serve as a template for you. This file provides pointers to the description files for each module. Typically you need to provide the following information:

1. Phonology : `phonesSet`, `tags`  
defines a set of phones, phone-classes, tags (e.g. word boundaries)
2. Front-End : `featDesc`, `featAccess`  
access to the audio data, definition of the preprocessing steps
3. Codebooks : `codebookSet`  
defines a set of Gaussian mixture densities, link to the underlying feature space
4. Distributions : `distribSet` defines a set of mixture weights, link to the underlying codebooks  
The mixture weights together with the codebooks define probability density functions (pdf). A fully continuous system is obtained by a one by one mapping of codebooks to distributions.
5. Polyphone Tree : `distribTree`  
context decision tree, attach pdfs to HMM states with a given phonetic or dynamic context (modalities). Even for context independent systems, you will need to define such a tree.
6. HMM : `topoSet`, `topoTree`, `tmSet`  
defines HMM topologies and transition models
7. Pronunciation Dictionary `dictionary`
8. Database  
Typically 2-level, provides speaker- and utterance-specific information; `scripts/genDBase.tcl` is an example script which creates a DBase from information available in other formats. Usually, a "speaker database" contains at least a list of all utterances pertaining to this speaker. The "utterance database" then contains, for every utterance, the speaker, the transcription, the gender, ... It's easy to build a database using the provided methods and then save it in the Janus DBase file format.

### 5.1.2 Module Initialization

To run a training, you first have to initialize all modules needed to create a training environment. Given some initial acoustic models (e.g. created by the k-means algorithm), a database, and a suitable system description, the following lines will create a training environment under the system ID 'X3'. The module initialization functions will read all relevant parameters from the system description, read from `../desc/desc.tcl`. Optional arguments might be used to overwrite these variables.

```
source ../desc/desc.tcl

phonesSetInit    X3
tagsInit         X3
featureSetInit   X3 -lda ldaX3.bmat
codebookSetInit  X3 -param Weights/0.cbs.gz
distribSetInit   X3 -param Weights/0.dss.gz
distribTreeInit  X3
senoneSetInit    X3  distribStreamX3
topoSetInit      X3
ttreeInit        X3
dictInit         X3
trainInit        X3
dbaseInit        X3 dbaseSWB
```

Have a look at the scripts in the `scripts` directory, to see how this initialization is done.

### 5.1.3 General Training Procedure

Now, if all modules are initialized, we can start a training experiment. There are basically two phases. In phase 1, the statistics for all training speaker will be accumulated. In phase 2, the accumulated statistics will be used to find a ML estimation of the model parameters. Phase 1 can be parallelized, so you can use a number of machines to speed up the training. Each client job dumps partial accumulators which will be read by the server process, which will then estimate new models. The process can be repeated for several iterations.

The following procedures are used frequently during standard training:

- *doParallel*  
create semaphore files and synchronize the client jobs
- *fgets* and *foreachSegment*  
loop over all training data, fgets uses a file locking mechanism to read the speaker from the conversation list
- *viterbiUtterance* and *senoneSet accu path*  
do the preprocessing (evaluate **FeatureSet**), build a **HMM** using the training transcription from the **DBase**, computes a forced alignment (stored in **Path**), and accumulate the statistics in **SenoneSet** using the state probabilities
- *senoneSet update*  
read the statistics from the clients and do the parameter update in **SenoneSet**, the default configuration is to do a Maximum-Likelihood update.

```
codebookSetX3 createAccus
distribSetX3  createAccus
doParallel {
  while {[fgets $convLst spk] >= 0} {
```

```

    foreachSegment utt uttDB $spk {
        viterbiUtterance X3 $spk $utt
        senoneSetX3 accu pathX3
    }
}
codebookSetX3 saveAccus Accus/clientID.cba
distribSetX3  saveAccus Accus/clientID.dsa
} {
    codebookSetX3 clearAccus
    distribSetX3  clearAccus
    foreach file [glob Accus/*cba] {codebookSetX3 readAccus $file}
    foreach file [glob Accus/*dsa] {distribSetX3  readAccus $file}
    senoneSetX3 update
    codebookSetX3 save Weights/new.cbs.gz
    distribSetX3  save Weights/new.dss.gz
} {} {} {}

```

### 5.1.4 Forced Alignments

Besides the viterbi algorithm, the full forward-backward algorithm might be used to accumulate the training statistics. JANUS provides the **Path** object to compute and maintain state alignments. By using precomputed alignments (called labels), the training procedure can be speed up drastically, since the viterbi or forward-backward based alignments are computed only once and not in each training iteration.

1. **labelUtterance**  
training using precomputed alignments
2. **viterbiUtterance**  
compute alignment using the Viterbi algorithm
3. **fwdBwdUtterance**  
compute alignment using the forward-backward algorithm

The Tcl-Library provides functions to generate forced alignments which might be used in a later training experiment using the *labelUtterance* scheme. Additionally, you can also use a method called “label-boosting” to generate speaker dependent alignments by using MLLR transformed acoustic models. This method can be seen as an efficient variant of speaker adaptive training.

1. **labelsWrite**  
compute speaker independent viterbi alignments for a list of speakers
2. **labelsMLAdaptWrite**  
compute speaker dependent viterbi alignments for a list of speakers; this needs a **MLAdapt** object and allocated accumulators for the codebooks to compute MLLR transforms.

If you want to bootstrap a new system, you usually write labels with an existing system (for example with one in a different language, with different acoustic conditions but the same topology), at least to create initial codebooks using *samples.tcl* and *kmeans.tcl*. You can then replace **labelUtterance** in “train.tcl” with **viterbiUtterance** and train your system without labels, because these will be of poor quality.

### 5.1.5 Train a context-independent system

This is the first step in training a new system. We assume you have the following ready:

- Dictionary and PhonesSet
- Labels (even if they stem from a bad system)
- Database, speaker list
- FeatureSet description and access files
- Tags, Transition Models, Topology Set, Topology Tree

You can now create a new directory, where you want to create the system in, let's assume it's called `M1`. Create a subdirectory `desc` and copy the template file `desc.tcl` in it. Edit it according to your needs, the `desc` directory usually also holds the files `devTrain`, `featAccess`, `featDesc*`, `phonesSet`, `tags`, `tmSet`, `topoSet`, and `ttree`.

If you don't yet have description files for codebooks and distributions, you can create them with "makeCI.tcl". If you need to pre-compute vectors for cepstral mean subtraction, "means.tcl" can do that for you. If you want to write labels (time-alignments) with another existing system, look at 5.1.8 first.

The first real step during acoustic training is the computation of an LDA matrix using `lda.tcl`. Although not strictly necessary, most Janus systems use an LDA during preprocessing. Also, calling "lda.tcl" extracts the number of occurrences for every codebook in the file "lda\$SID.counts". This file is read by "samples.tcl" in the next steps to extract an evenly distributed number of example vectors, which are then combined into an initial codebook by "kmeans.tcl". The actual EM training is then performed by "train.tcl". Typically, the size of the (gzipped) codebooks increases with every iteration (a factor of 2 between 0i and 1i, less afterwards) and the counts you can find with "dss:ds configure -count" should be equivalent to those you find in the counts file produced by `lda.tcl`.

### 5.1.6 Polyphone training

You'll need a completed CI training for this step. In the standard setup, we suggest that you run the polyphone training in the same system directory as the CI-training, but in a "pt" subdirectory (instead of "train").

The first step, `makePT`, creates the necessary description file for polyphone training: keeping the CI codebookSet, we create separate distributions for every polyphone context (`distribTree.PT`, `distribSet.PT`). Usually, there will be several millions of them. Then, a few iterations of EM training will be performed. The thus trained CD distributions will then be clustered according to an entropy criterion. Finally, you can create a codebook of a given size by taking the "N" most important contexts and creating separate codebooks and distributions for them (`split.tcl`).

### 5.1.7 Train a context-dependent system

Using the output from the polyphone training, e.g. the files `codebookSet.N.gz`, `distribSet.Np.gz`, and `distribTree.Np.gz` which were created by `split.tcl`<sup>1</sup>, you can train a full context-dependent system. You can call the same scripts as in the CI case, but we suggest you create a new directory for the CD training.

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<sup>1</sup> "N" refers to the desired size of the CD-codebook, e.g. 4000.

### 5.1.8 Write labels

You can write labels with any existing system. Usually you set up your system description files so that they match the system you want to build (database, dictionary, topology, ...). The only information you take from an “old” system are the acoustic models (codebooks). Therefore, the `featDesc` (feature description file), which describes how to preprocess the input data (ADCs) to make it compatible with the codebook, has to be adapted to match the old codebook and the new data, on which you write labels on. If the phones and codebooks don’t match between the old and new system, you can load both codebooks and copy them as we do here:

```
# We hope it's ok to load these (old) codebooks/ distrib
printDo [CodebookSet cbs featureSet$SID] read otherCodebookSet.desc
printDo [DistribSet dss cbs] read otherDistribSet.desc
printDo cbs load otherCodebookSet.param
printDo dss load otherDistribSet.param

# Create the new codebooks/ distrib
codebookSetInit $SID
distribSetInit $SID

# Read the set, copy the codebooks/ distrib
set fp [open rewriteRules r]
while {[gets $fp line] != -1} {
    if {[regexp "^;" $line]} { continue }
    set from [lindex $line 0]; set to [lindex $line 1]
    puts stderr "    ReWriting $from -> $to"
    catch { codebookSet$SID:$to := cbs:$from }
    catch { distribSet$SID:$to := dss:$from }
}
close $fp
```

The file “rewriteRules” might look like that:

```
; -----
; Name          : rewriteSet
; Type          : RewriteSet
; Number of Items : n
; Date          : Thu Jul 11 14:59:49 2002
; -----
AA-b    A-b
AA-e    A-e
AA-m    A-m
AE-b    AEH-b
AE-e    AEH-e
AE-m    AEH-m
AH-b    AH-b
AH-e    AH-e
AH-m    AH-m
AY-b    AI-b
AY-e    AI-e
AY-m    AI-m
AX-b    AU-b
AX-e    AU-e
AX-m    AU-m
...
```



This means that, e.g. the codebook “AX-m” of the new system (this is a context-independent system) is to be modeled by the old “AU-m”.

## 5.2 Advanced Training

In this section, we assume that you already have some experience with the JANUS object interface and the Tcl-Library. To run some more advanced experiments you will probably use funtions from the library directly without making use of the script collection as it was the case in the previous section.

### 5.2.1 Flexible Transcriptions

Given a transcription for a utterance, a corresponding **HMM** can be build, e.g.

```
% hmmX3 make "OH I SEE UH-HUH"
% hmmX3.phoneGraph puts
% OW AY S IY AH HH AH
```

However, if you have to deal with conversational speech, your training transcriptions might be not accurate, or background noises occur. To deal with such effects, you can insert optional words into the HMM, skip certain words, or even allow alternative words or pronunciations. By running the Viterbi algorithm, the best path will be computed according to the flexible transcription network. Flexible transcriptions can be computed via the **TextGraph** object. The following lines will create a HMM with an optional *NOISE* between each regular word, allowing alternative words *SEE* / *SAW*, skipping *UH-HUH* optionally, and allowing pronunciation variants.

```
% Textgraph textGraphX3
% textGraphX3 make "OH I {SEE/SAW} {UH-HUH/@}" -optWord NOISE
% array set HMM [textGraphX3]
% set words $HMM(STATES)
% set trans $HMM(TRANS)
% set init $HMM(INIT)
% hmmX3 make $words -trans $trans -init $init -variants 1
```

### 5.2.2 Vocal Tract Length Normalization

VTLN is a known technique to compensate variations across speaker by warping the frequencies. There are several ways to train VTLN models in JANUS. In the following, we describe a Maximum-Likelihood based variant. The object **FeatureSet** has a method *VTLN* to transform the short-term power-spectrum features. Given a certain *warpfactor*, the function call in your feature description may look like:

```
$fes VTLN WFFT FFT $warpfactor -mod lin -edge 0.8
```

To train VTLN acoustic models, the Tcl-Library provides functions to estimate warpfactors based on viterbi alignents. Assuming you have a basic system with a VTLN-capable front-end, the following lines will estimate a warpfactor for each training speaker.

```
vtnlInit X3
while {[fgets $convLst spk] >= 0} {
    set w [findViterbiWarp X3 $spk -warp 1.0 -window 8 -delta 0.02]
    puts "VTLN-Estimation for speaker $spk: $w"
}
```

It's straightforward to integrate the VTLN estimation with the standard training procedure. Instead of using `findViterbiWarp`, there is also a label based variant `findLabelWarp`. If there are warpfactors already available and you don't want to reestimate the factors, you can simply just load these warpfactors from the file by given an argument to `vtlnInit` and train with fixed warpfactors. The file should contain two words per line, the first one being a speaker-id, the second one being the warp-factor. To avoid common problems with training VTLN models, please note the following points:

1. voiced phones  
The VTLN estimation in the functions `findViterbiWarp` and `findLabelWarp` rely only a certain class of phones. The default configuration use *voiced* phones. To provide this information, you need to specify a class *voiced* in your `PhonesSet`.
2. Cepstral Mean Substraction  
If you use speaker based cepstral mean and variance normalization, the means and variances depend on the warpfactor should therefore be jointly estimated.

### 5.2.3 Model space based Speaker Adaptive Training

Similar to VTLN, the goal of SAT is to compensate speaker variations during training. SAT uses linear transforms of the acoustic models to explicitly model variations across speakers. Since the computational and memory resources needed to train SAT model are much higher than during standard training, we start with initial models and refine them by SAT. First, we need to create a `MLAdapt` object to estimate MLLR transforms.

```
set mode      2      ; # use full transforms
set minCount  2500   ; # minimum threshold to update regresion class
set depth     7      ; # depth of regression tree

codebookSetX3 createAccus
distribSetX3  createAccus

MLAdapt mlaX3 codebookSetX3 -mode $mode -bmem 1
foreach cb [codebookSetX3:] { mlaX3 add $cb }
mlaX3 cluster : [mlaX3 cluster -depth $depth]"
```

Now, the next step is to accumulate the SAT statistics. The following procedure will do this for one speaker via `labelUtterance`. First, the speaker independent models will be reset, and the speaker independent statistics are accumulated to estimate MLLR transforms. Since only transforms for the means are computed, statistics for the distributions are not needed at this point. In a second loop over all segments, the speaker dependent statistics will be accumulated, followed the accumulation of the SAT statistics.

```
proc doAccu {spk labelPath cbsfile minCount} {

    # load SI models and clear accus
    codebookSetX3 load $cbsfile
    codebookSetX3 clearAccus
    distribSetX3  clearAccus
    mlaX3          clearSAT

    # accumulate SI statistics
    Dscfg configure -accu n
```

```

foreachSegment utt uttDB $spk {
    eval set label $labelPath
    labelUtterance X3 $spk $utt $label
    senoneSetX3 accu pathX3
}

# compute MLLR transforms
mlaX3 update -minCount $minCount

# accumulate SD statistics
codebookSetX3 clearAccus
Dscfg configure -accu y
foreachSegment utt uttDB $spk {
    eval set label $labelPath
    labelUtterance X3 $spk $utt $label
    senoneSetX3 accu pathX3
}

# accumulate SAT statistics
mlaX3 accuSAT
}

```

Now, we have to build the loop over all speakers and do the ML estimation of the SAT models. The loop over the speaker can be parallelized as usual. To write the SAT accumulators for each client, you need to store a full matrix for each component. For example, if you have 150k Gaussians with a feature dimension of 24, you need to store 691 MB. To reduce the computational and memory load, you can use diagonal transforms instead of full transforms. If you have enough memory, you can store and restore the SI models to avoid the reloading of the SI models from disc. Additionally, we recommend that you organize your database to group all conversations for the same speaker together. By doing this, you get more robust estimates for the MLLR transforms and speed up the training drastically.

```

doParallel {
    while {[fgets $convLst spk] >= 0} {
        doAccu $spk $labelPath $cbsfile $minCount
    }
    mlaX3          saveSAT   Accus/clientID.sat.gz
    distribSetX3   saveAccus Accus/clientID.dsa.gz
} {
    codebookSetX3 clearAccus
    distribSetX3 clearAccus
    mlaX3          clearSAT
    foreach file [glob Accus/*saa.gz] {mlaX3          readSAT   $file}
    foreach file [glob Accus/*dsa.gz] {distribSetX3 readAccus $file}
    mlaX3          updateSAT
    distribSetX3 update
    codebookSetX3 save Weights/new.cbs.gz
    distribSetX3 save Weights/new.dss.gz
} {} {} {}

```

The decoding of SAT models should rely on *adapted* models of course, otherwise you will observe poor recognition rate due to unmatched model and test data conditions.

The Adaptation to the test data is done analogous to the first part of the *doAccu* routine and can be refined using confidence measures.

### 5.2.4 Feature space based Speaker Adaptive Training

Instead of transforming the models, the features might be transformed using linear transforms during training. The advantage is, that the statistics to accumulate rely on the same models and the SAT training becomes much more efficient. Feature space adaptation (FSA) might be viewed as a constrained model based transform, where the same transform is used to transform means and covariances. However, the ML estimation process of the transforms uses an integrated Jacobi normalization which results in a true feature space transform. Since feature space adaptation is much faster than model based transforms and can be combined with Gaussians selection methods (e.g. Bucket Box Intersection BBI), incremental FSA is very well suited to real-time systems.

```
SignalAdapt SignalAdaptX3 senoneSetX3
SignalAdaptX3 configure -topN 1 -shift 1.0
foreach ds [distribSetX3] { SignalAdaptX3 add $ds }
```

The Creation of a **SignalAdapt** object is based directly on the set of senones. To apply the transforms, your feature description files needs a line like this, where *transIndex* is an index of transform:

```
SignalAdaptX3 adapt $fes:LDA.data $fes:LDA.data $transIndex
```

The estimation process consists of an accumulation and update phase. The accumulation for one speaker using a forced alignment procedure can be written as follows:

```
proc doAccu {spk labelPath accuIndex} {
  foreachSegment utt uttDB $spk {
    eval set label $labelPath
    labelUtterance X3 $spk $utt $label
    SignalAdaptX3 accu pathX3 $accuIndex
  }
}
```

Given sufficient statistics stored in the accumulator *accuIndex*, you can now find an iterative solution for the ML estimate of the transform. Usually, 10 iterations are enough to reach convergence. The transform is then stored in *transIndex*.

```
SignalAdaptX3 compute $iterations $accuIndex $transIndex
```

These routines can be integrated in the standard training procedure to simultaneously update the model and adaptation parameters. Furthermore, you can combine FSA and MLLR to adapt to test data. In that case, a feature space transform can be estimated at first, and the model based transforms then rely on the adapted feature space.

In an incremental adaptation scheme, you might like to enhance the robustness by combining the adaptation data with preaccumulated statistics. This can be achieved by using the *addAccu*, *readAccu*, *writeAccu*, and *scaleAccu* methods of the **SignalAdapt** object. For example, you can generate gender and channel dependent statistics from the training data which are then combined on the fly with the test speaker statistics. To find the right modality, a ML criterium using a forced alignment procedure can be applied.

### 5.2.5 Incremental growing of Gaussians

In the previous sections, we discussed training schemes which start with some initial models (typically generated by the k-means algorithm). An alternative approach is to start with one component only, and incrementally add parameters by splitting components according along the largest covariances. As a result of this training procedure, the gaussians are more evenly distributed and the parameters cover the acoustic space more efficiently. However, the convergence of that procedure is slower and more training iterations are needed. The training can be optimized if fixed forced alignments are used. In that case, a full sample extraction dumps all data for each state and the data has to be loaded only once during the training, which reduces the disc I/O drastically. The sample extraction can be done using *samples.tcl* from the script collection and setting the *maxCount* variable appropriate.

```
phonesSetInit    X3
tagsInit         X3
featureSetInit   X3 -desc ""
codebookSetInit  X3 -desc ""
distribSetInit   X3 -desc ""

featureSetX3 FMatrix LDA
featureSetX3:LDA.data resize 1 42
```

The module initialization now becomes much simpler, since we don't have to load any description files for the codebooks and distributions anymore. To add new codebooks in **CodebookSet**, we have to provide an underlying feature in **FeatureSet**, in the example we use a feature *LDA* with a dimension of 42. Instead of parallelizing the training over the speaker, we can now run a loop over all *codebooks*.

```
proc estimateState {cb samplePath} {
    # codebook to distrib mapping
    set ds $cb

    # load training samples
    set smp featureSet$SID:LDA.data
    $smp bload $samplePath/$cb.smp
    $smp resize [$smp configure -m] [expr [$smp configure -n] -1]

    # create codebook and distrib
    codebookSetX3 add $cb LDA 1 42 DIAGONAL
    distribSetX3 add $ds $cb

    # max. nr. of components
    codebookSetX3:$cb configure -refMax 24

    # mincount per component
    codebookSetX3:$cb.cfg configure -mergeThresh 50

    # step size for splitting components
    codebookSetX3:$cb.cfg configure -splitStep 0.001

    codebookSetX3:$cb createAccu
    distribSetX3:$ds createAccu

    # main iterations with increasing components
```

```

for {set i 0} {$i < 7} { incr i} {
  # accumulate data
  codebookSetX3:$cb.accu clear
  distribSetX3:$ds.accu clear
  for {set frX 0} {$frX < [$smp configure -m]} {incr frX} {
    distribSetX3 accuFrame $cb $frX
  }

  # update, split and merge
  distribSetX3 update
  distribSetX3 split
  distribSetX3 merge

  # small iterations without increasing components
  for {set j 0} {$j < 3} { incr j} {
    codebookSetX3:$cb.accu clear
    distribSetX3:$ds.accu clear
    for {set frX 0} {$frX < [$smp configure -m]} {incr frX} {
      distribSetX3 accuFrame $ds $frX
    }
    distribSetX3 update
  }
}
codebookSetX3:$cb freeAccu
distribSetX3:$ds freeAccu
}

```

The remaining part synchronizes the clients and saves acoustic models and description files. To match the new description files with the original distribution tree, missing distributions will be added in the final phase. Untrained distributions occur due to the backoff to context independent nodes in the tree.

```

doParallel {
  while { [fgets $stateLst cb] >= 0} { estimateState $cb $samplePath}
  codebookSet$SID write Weights/clientID.cbsDesc
  codebookSet$SID save Weights/clientID.cbs.gz
  distribSet$SID write Weights/clientID.dssDesc
  distribSet$SID save Weights/clientID.dss.gz
} {
  CodebookSet cbs featureSetX3
  DistribSet dss cbs
  foreach f [glob Weights/*.cbsDesc] { cbs read $f }
  foreach f [glob Weights/*.dssDesc] { dss read $f }
  foreach f [glob Weights/*.cbs.gz] { cbs load $f }
  foreach f [glob Weights/*.dss.gz] { dss load $f }

  # read missing distribs
  set fp [open distribSet.org]
  while { [gets $fp line] >= 0} {
    set ds [lindex $line 0]
    set cb [lindex $line 1]
    if {[dss index $ds] < 0} { dss add $ds $cb }
  }
  close $fp
  cbs write Weights/final.cbsDesc.gz
}

```

```

cbs save  Weights/final.cbs.gz
dss write Weights/final.dssDesc.gz
dss save  Weights/final.dss.gz
} { } { }

```

The training procedure described here is well suited to train fully continuous systems. If you'd like to train semi continuous systems, where you have more than one distribution for each codebook, we recommend to start the training with the full continuous setup and use the trained codebooks as seed models to start the training of the distributions.

### 5.2.6 Semi-tied full Covariances

Although JANUS supports Gaussian densities with radial, diagonal or even full covariances, normally only models with diagonal covariances are trained due to lack of training data or cpu and memory restrictions. On the other hand, a linear transform of the covariance corresponds to an inverse transform of the means and features. However, LDA or PCA transforms aren't optimized according to the ML criterium as is the case for all other model parameters. The concept of semi-tied full covariances (STC) introduces full transforms for the diagonal covariances. These transforms might be shared for several components and trained in a ML fashion. During decoding, the inverse transforms are applied to the features, which results in multiple feature spaces. Therefore, this technique is also called *Optimal Feature Space*, *OFS*. To train semi-tied covariance, we start with some initial models as usual and refine them. There are basically 4 steps:

1. create description files for the covariance classes
2. convert acoustic models to OFS format
3. train OFS models
4. convert OFS models back to standard codebooks/distributions

#### Create description files

We need to create description files for **CBNewParMatrixSet** and **CBNewSet**. **CBNewParMatrixSet** describe the linear transforms associated to the covariances, while **CBNewSet** describe the densities itself. Assuming a feature *LDA* with a dimension of 42 and full transforms for each basephone, the following lines will create description files, given an appropriate definition of the helper function *map\_distrib\_to\_basephone* to map the model names.

```

parmatSetInit X3 -desc "" -dimN 42
cbnewSetInit  X3 -desc ""

foreach phone [phonesSetX3:PHONES] {
  parmatSetX3 add $phone 1 {42}
}
foreach ds [distribSetX3] {
  set phone [map_distrib_to_basephone $ds]
  cbnewSetX3 add  $ds LDA [distribSetX3:$ds configure -valN]
  cbnewSetX3 link $phone [cbnewSetX3 index $ds] all
}
parmatSetX3 save          desc/paramSet
parmatSetX3 saveWeights  Weights/0.pms.gz
cbnewSetX3  save         desc/cbnewSet

```

### Convert acoustic models to OFS format

The means, covariances, and mixture weights will now be converted into a format suitable for the CBNew objects. Please note, that the covariances stored in **Codebook** are *inverse* while **CBNewParMatrixSet** store them directly.

```
foreach ds [distribSetX3] {
  set cbX [distribSetX3:$ds configure -cbX]
  set refN [distribSetX3:$ds configure -valN]
  # means
  cbnewSetX3:$ds set mean codebookSetX3.item($cbX).mat

  # covariances
  FMatrix m1 $refN $dimN
  for {set i 0} {$i < $refN} {incr i} {
    set cvL [lindex [codebookSetX3.item($cbX).cov($i)] 0]
    for {set j 0} {$j < $dimN} {incr j} {
      m1 set $i $j [expr 1.0 / [lindex $cvL $j]]
    }
  }
  cbnewSetX3:$ds set diag m1
  m1 destroy

  # mixture weights
  FMatrix m2 1 $refN
  m2 := [distribSetX3:$ds configure -val]
  cbnewSetX3:$ds set distrib m2
  m2 destroy
}
cbnewSetX3 saveWeights Weights/0.cbns.gz
```

### Train OFS models

The training of the models can be done using the already known *labelUtterance* (or other forced alignment procedures). We describe here an approach using a full sample extraction, similar to the procedure used in the section *Incremental Growing of Gaussians*. You can reuse the samples extracted from there.

```
set protPath prot

cbnewSetX3 phase work
doParallel {
  FMatrix smp
  while {[fgets $stateLst cb] >= 0} {
    smp bload $samplePath/$cb.smp
    smp resize [smp configure -m] [expr [smp configure -n] -1]
    cbnewSetX3 accumMatrix [cbnewSetX3 index $cb] smp
  }
  cbnewSetX3 saveAccusDep Accus/clientID.cbna
  storeLH Accus/clientID.lha
} {
  set sum 0
  foreach f [glob Accus/*.lha] {set sum [expr $sum + [loadLH $f]]}
  storeLHProt $sum
  foreach f [glob Accus/*.lha] {rm $f }
```



```

cbnewSetX3 clearAccus
foreach f [glob Accus/*.*.cbna] {cbnewSetX3 loadAccusDep $f}

senoneSetX3 update
parmatSetX3 update -stepN 100 -smallSteps 20 -firstSmall 40 -deltaThres 0.05

calcProts
parmatSetX3 saveWeights Weights/new.pms.gz
cbnewSetX3 saveWeights Weights/new.cbns.gz
}

```

This excerpt shows the general procedure to train semi-tied full covariances. Similar to the standard training procedure, you will probably repeat the training several iterations to reach convergence. Please note, that the server process needs enough memory to store full covariances during the update of the covariance transforms.

### Convert OFS models back to standard codebooks/distributions

Before we can start the decoding, we have to convert the acoustic models back to the standard format. The following lines will create new description and parameter files.

```

parmatSetInit X3 -desc desc/paramSet -param Weights/new.pms.gz
cbnewSetInit X3 -desc desc/cbnewSet -param Weights/new.cbns.gz
[CodebookSet cbs featureSetX3] read cbs.orig.desc
[DistribSet dss cbs] read dss.orig.desc
foreach cb [cbs] { cbs:$cb alloc }
cbnewSetX3 convert cbs dss
cbs write desc/cbs.new.desc
dss write desc/dss.new.desc
cbs save Weights/new.cbs.gz
dss save Weights/new.dss.gz

```

The last thing to do is to modify our feature description to apply the OFS transform to the features. You can combine this technique together with MLLR or FSA. In the latter case, the feature space adaptation should rely on the transformed OFS features. If you use MLLR, the same regression tree should be used for MLLR and STC. Otherwise, the adaptation transforms will be computed over different feature spaces, resulting in inconsistent ML estimates for the transforms.

```

foreach p [parmatSetX3] { $fes matmul OFS-$p LDA $pms:$p.item(0) }

```

### 5.2.7 MMIE-Training

Janus can be used to perform *MMIE* training. Example scripts can be found in `/project/ears4/D2` at UKA. Be warned that this type of training is computationally very expensive.

## 5.3 Adaptation

Janus contains several **Adaptation** methods, subsumed under “training”. Please note that the examples here can only serve as a rough guide to your own experiments.

### 5.3.1 MLLR Adaption in feature space

This type of adaptation (often referred to as *CMLLR*, *FMLLR*) has already been described in the context of Feature-space based Speaker Adaptive Training. It represents the easiest way to adapt a system to new conditions. It uses the **SignalAdapt** module.

Basically, you use **adapt** to collect statistics and **compute** to compute an adaptation matrix, which you can then use to transform your features. Interestingly, it seems more effective to collect adapted features then unadapted ones, which would be theoretically correct. The **SignalAdapt** allows you to keep several accumulators at the same time, so you can adapt to several targets at the same time. This approach is also very useful for incremental adaptation and in cases where only little adaptation data is available.

For more information on this adaptation scheme, which can also be used for speaker-adaptive training, look at section 5.2.4, too.

### 5.3.2 MLLR Adaption in model space

*MLLR* adaptation can be used to adapt models to new test conditions, be it a particular speaker or a new channel. It is more powerful than feature-space MLLR (see 5.3.1), because it uses a regression tree and therefore more and a variable amount of parameters can be adapted.

The first step to perform MLLR adaptation is to collect statistics on the adaptation data. To do this, use the standard **train.tcl** script as if you wanted to continue training your model on your adaptation data. All you have to do is make sure you call the procedure **doAccu** only once by setting the begin and end iterations accordingly and you also probably don’t want to execute the **update** on the **SenoneSet** and save the generated **Codebook**. Note that there are two ways of doing this:

**Supervised** when you have true transcripts of the adaptation data; you can now use labels or viterbi to align the data

**Unsupervised** when you do not have transcripts. Usually, you then use the confidence-annotated output of a previous recognition run and viterbi to align the data

Depending on which way suits you more, you might have to change the calls in **doAccu** to **labelUtterance** to **viterbiUtterance**. Now you can use your models and the collected statistics (found in the **accu**) to update the parameters of the model using the script **mlr.tcl**.

If you have a lot of adaptation data, you can also update the covariances of your models by setting **adaptVar** to 1 in **mlr.tcl** and executing this script a second time. You would then use the models with adapted means (the result of executing **mlr.tcl** once) to collect statistics a second time and adapt the covariances of the models in a second run of **mlr.tcl**.

The optimal settings of the **depth** and **minCount** parameters depend on your task, so feel free to experiment with these.

### 5.3.3 MAP Adaptation

*MAP* adaptation uses the same *MLE* criterion employed during training. Adaptation therefore consists of loading the accumulated statistics of the “background” system, weighting them with a weighting factor and then adding the weighted statistics accumulated with the same models on the adaptation data before doing the normal ML-update. To collect the statistics, use the `train.tcl` script on both data sets as described in chapter 5.3.2, doing only one iteration and leaving out the update; the script `map.tcl` will then perform the adaptation.

### 5.3.4 MAM Adaptation

*MAM* is an adaptation/ normalization method developed by Martin Westphal in his thesis. The current Janus contains all the code he wrote, an experiment with MAM can for example be found in `/project/nespole/sys/mam` at UKA.



## Chapter 6

# Decoding with Ibis

### 6.1 Basic Decoding

This section describes how to setup Janus to produce hypotheses and lattices from ADC data using the *Ibis* decoder. **Decoding** can also be done using Janus’ three-pass decoder, which is however not documented here.

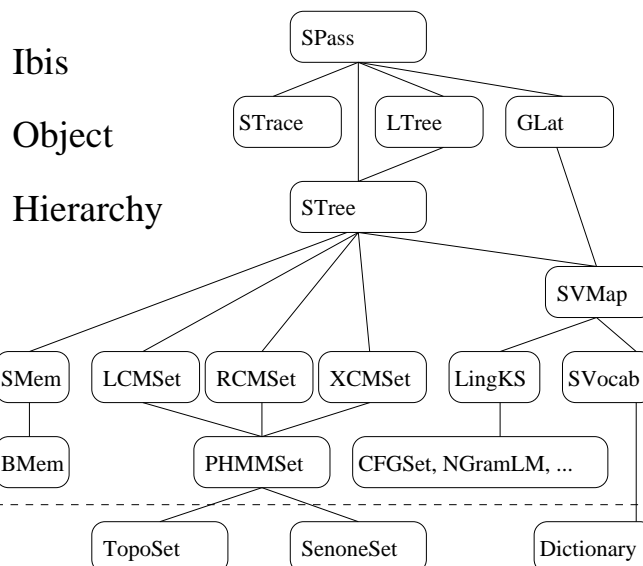
#### 6.1.1 Module list

You’ll need the following modules (most of these modules were already introduced in the description of training procedures):

1. A **PhonesSet**, describing the phones you want to use. An example description file can be found in **phonesSet**.
2. A set of **Tags**, containing the tags (phone modifiers) in your **Dictionary**; typically “WB” for word boundaries only. An example description file can be found in **tags**.
3. A **FeatureSet**, which contains your ADC data and derived features (MCEP, LDA, ...). You normally use **featAccess** and **featDesc** to locate and process the ADC file.
4. A **CodebookSet**, which contains acoustic models (Gaussians). An example description file can be found in **codebookSet**. You’ll also need a parameter file.
5. A **DistribSet**, which contains the mixture weights for the Gaussians. An example description file can be found in **distribSet**. You’ll also need a parameter file.
6. A **DistribTree**, an instance of **Tree**, which defines which distribution to use for which model. An example description file can be found in **distribTree**.
7. A **SenoneSet**, which is a set of (context-dependent) sub-phone model states.
8. A **TmSet**, which describes the allowed transitions between states. An example description file can be found in **tmSet**.
9. A **TopoSet**, containing the useable topologies. An example description file can be found in **topoSet**.
10. A **TopoTree**. This module of type **Tree** describes which topologies to use for which phones. An example description file can be found in **topoTree**.
11. A **Dictionary**, see **dictionary**.
12. A **SVocab**, the search vocabulary. An example file can be found in **svocab**.

13. A **LingKS**, a language model. The standard language models (NGramLM) are in ARPABO format and can for example be generated with the CLAUSI tools, the CMU-SLMT or the SRI toolkit.
14. A **DBase**, the Janus database module, is optional. The standard scripts however make use of the database. For an example of how to generate the DBase, have a look at the file `scripts/genDBase.tcl`.

The object hierarchy for the Ibis decoder looks as follows:



The file `ibis.tcl` might save you a lot of trouble. Also, consider looking at the example script `master.tcl`, which in turn calls `test.tcl`. This file will start up a standard decoder, which you can then modify or re-configure according to your needs. The initialization of the decoder can be done automatically by calling `ibisInit` from `ibis.tcl` and setting the values in `desc.tcl` correctly.

You can also use `lksInit` to set up the language model independently from the decoder, this makes it a bit easier to handle dumps generated by `STree dump` (remember, when you read a dump, you cannot load the contents of `Dictionary` and `SVocab` and you can also store the dump for the language model in the same file.

### 6.1.2 Example decoding script

A simple decoding script looks as follows:

```

source ../desc/desc.tcl

# -----
#  Init Modules
#  -----

phonesSetInit  $SID
tagsInit       $SID
featureSetInit $SID
codebookSetInit $SID
distribSetInit $SID
distribTreeInit $SID -ptree ""

```

```

senoneSetInit  $SID  distribStream$SID
topoSetInit    $SID
ttreeInit      $SID
dictInit       $SID
trainInit      $SID
dbaseInit      $SID  [set ${SID}($dbname)]
ibisInit       $SID

# -----
#   Here we go...
# -----

while {[fgets $spkLst spk] != -1} {

    # -----
    #   Loop over all utterances
    # -----

    foreachSegment utt uttDB $spk {

        # preprocess audio data
        set uttInfo [dbaseUttInfo db$SID $spk $utt]
        featureSet$SID eval $uttInfo

        # run decoder
        spass$SID run

        # get hypothesis
        set hypo [spass$SID.stab trace]
        set text [lrange $hypo 3 [expr [length $hypo] -2]]
        puts "$utt: $text"

    }
}

```

The DBase allows you to use this double loop construct `while fgets` and `foreachUtterance` easily. The outer loop (“while fgets”) loops over all speakers and allows to parallelize the work over several machines, by assigning different speakers to different machines. The inner loop works over all utterances of this particular speaker. Other loop constructions are possible, of course. Choose whichever is appropriate for your needs.

Even though the decoder can be initialized by calling `ibisInit`, you might want to have a look at the following sections on decoder initialization and beam settings to get a better understanding on how things work, although the complexity can be hidden from view by using `lksInit` and `ibisInit`.

### 6.1.3 Beam Settings

The tuning of beam thresholds to speed up the decoding without increasing search errors is dependent on the task and the effectivity of the language model lookahead. In [11], a background about the decoding technology can be found. In principle, there are three thresholds to control the beam search. The *stateBeam* controls the number of active states, while the *wordBeam* controls the number of active word ends. The number of linguistically morphed instances, which depends on your language model

history, is pruned using the *morphBeam* threshold. To reduce high peaks in memory consumption, a cutting of active word ends and instances is performed with *transN* and *morphN*. For an effective pruning, the following rules can be applied:

- $morphBeam \ll wordBeam \ll stateBeam$
- $morphN \ll transN$

It should be noted that the language model weight has a high impact on the pruning process. That means, the optimization of pruning thresholds must be done with respect to the language model weights. Examples for the beam settings for different tasks are given here:

```
# read Broadcast News
spassX3 configure -stateBeam 130
spassX3 configure -wordBeam 90
spassX3 configure -morphBeam 80
spassX3 configure -transN 35 -morphN 8

# conversational telephony speech
spassX3 configure -stateBeam 195
spassX3 configure -wordBeam 135
spassX3 configure -morphBeam 120
spassX3 configure -transN 80 -morphN 20
```

The Ibis decoder’s performance with a given set of acoustic and language models is mainly governed by the beam settings. These directly influence the search space and the tradeoff between speed and accuracy.

If you need faster recognition time, there are two main techniques implemented in JRtk to help you achieve this goal: Gaussian Selection (BBI) reduces the number of Gaussians evaluated during score computation and Phonetic Fast Match (LookAhead) prunes unlikely hypotheses away much earlier, therefore reducing the search space.

Also, Feature Space Adaptation is a useful technique that improves both speed and accuracy for a given system if you have enough data to adapt on. These techniques are described in the following sections.

### 6.1.4 Gaussian Selection (BBI)

Gaussian Selection using the Bucket-Box-Intersection algorithm [4] is the most popular speed-up algorithm for Janus. The script `createBBI.tcl` (3.4.1) can be used to compute boxes for a given depth and cut-off value. The resulting description and parameter files can then be loaded into the `CodebookSet` using `bbiSetInit`, as shown in the script `test.tcl` (3.4.1).

Usually, you can achieve a speed-up by a factor of two with only minor degradation in performance (< 1%).

### 6.1.5 Phonetic Fast Match (LookAhead)

A Phonetic Fast Match consists of an additional `SenoneSet`, which is based on context-independent codebooks. These are evaluated with a fixed topology up to (normally) 5 frames “in the future” and their score is added to the normal acoustic model score. Unlikely hypotheses (“this does not look like an /s/ in the next 5 frames”) can therefore be pruned away much earlier, which speeds up decoding despite the overhead of extra score computations.

An example script looks like this:



```
[...]

ibisInit          $SID -streeDump ../test6-b-6/streeC.gz          \
                  -lmDesc    ../bigVocab/isip_ntp10+ch+cell+swb3.ibis.gz \
                  -lmType PhraseLM -xcm 1

[...]

[FMatrix ldaLA]          bload /project/ears2/X7/trainCI/ldaX7.bmat
[CodebookSet cbs featureSet$SID] read /project/ears2/X7/desc/codebookSetLA
[DistribSet dss cbs]      read /project/ears2/X7/desc/distribSet

cbs load /project/ears2/X7/trainCI/Weights/4.cbs.gz
dss load /project/ears2/X7/trainCI/Weights/4.dss.gz

Tree dst phonesSet$SID:PHONES phonesSet$SID tags$SID dss
dst configure -padPhone @
dst read /project/ears2/X7/desc/distribTreeLA

DistribStream str dss dst
SenoneSet      sns str -phones phonesSet$SID:PHONES -tags tags$SID

spass$SID fmatch sns
spass$SID configure -fastMatch 1.0

proc featureSetEvalLA {fes uttInfo} {
    global SID
    $fes matmul LDA-LA FEAT+ ldaLA -cut 42
}
FeatureSet method evalLA featureSetEvalLA -text ""

[...]

while {[fgets $uttLst utt] >= 0} {

    [...]

    featureSet$SID eval    $uttInfo
    featureSet$SID evalLA $uttInfo

    [...]

    TIME START run $utt; spass$SID run; TIME STOP run $utt

    [...]
}
```

You can also initialize a LookAhead system by specifying the `-fastMatch` option to `ibisInit`. Be aware that the Fast Match does not have any topology information. You therefore have to make sure you have models for all sub-phonetic units in the distribution `Tree`. Typically you would specify `ROOT-m` or `ROOT-b ROOT-m` to the `fmatch` method via the `-snTag` option, which allows some flexibility in which models to use for the Fast Match. In some cases it might be necessary to manually add `SIL-m` to the `ROOT-b` part of the distribution `Tree`.

### 6.1.6 Timing

Speed-up methods such as the ones just discussed always trade off speed against accuracy. How accuracy can be measured is discussed in section 2.5, of course JRTk also contains mechanisms to estimate the speed of a process. The relevant script is called `scripts/ana_time.tcl` (see section 3.4.1).

You'll need to define the following settings in your decoding (or any other) script, to use `ana_time.tcl`:

```
... (CODE) Some code

set ModulStatus(Timing) 1 to switch on timing analysis mode. If this variable is
  undefined or st to 0, nothing will happen.

... (CODE) follows, no timing analysis

TIME START total $utt To start a block called "total" which you want to time for
  all utterances

... (CODE) for "total" follows

TIME START run $utt To start another block called "run", it is also part of "total"
... (CODE) for "run" and "total"

TIME STOP run $utt "run" ends here

... (CODE) More "total" code

TIME STOP total $utt "total" ends here, too

... (CODE) Cleaning up

saveTIME "time.[pid]" generates a file containing the timing information, which can
  be used for further analysis

...
```

The script `scripts/test.tcl` contains the necessary code, although it is switched off by default. Once you ran a script with these commands, you have two options:

1. Look at the output (the log-file). It will now contain lines such as

```
...
START total tobias_breyer.99 (1699.580000, 13.810000)
  featureSetISLcd ADCfile tobias_breyer.99 WARP 1.060
START run tobias_breyer.99 (1699.620000, 13.820000)
STOP run tobias_breyer.99 (1701.180000, 13.820000)
...
```

which tell you that decoding the utterance "tobias\_breyer.99" took 1701.18-1699.62=1.56 seconds of CPU (user-) time.

2. If you have `time.*` files, you can use `ana_time.tcl` and generate a summary report by calling `ana_time.tcl` as follows in the test directory, i.e. the directory in which you ran the test script and which contains the `time.*` files:

```
janus ~/janus/scripts/ana_time.tcl /project/njd/Isldata/scoring/utts 5319.16
```

The first parameter is the list of utterances to time. If you don't have it, it is normally very easy to generate this from the log-files or the data base. The second parameter is the total time of these utterances in seconds. Running this script should generate the following output:

```

ReadTime: time.16274
/project/njd/Is1Data/scoring/utts -> 831 utterances
duration      = 5319.16s
RTF run       : 0.29442806759
RTF total     : 0.318975176532
RTF warp      : 0.0174689236646

```

The first line contains the name(s) of the time dump files read, the second line the number of utterances taken into account and the third line the total time used. The next lines contain the real-time factors (xRTF) calculated for the different blocks. This example is from decoding the Is1System on a 3GHz P4 machine.

The times reported by this method are generated by the `times` C-library function and returned as `tms.utime` and `tms.stime`. Be warned that the values you get will frequently be meaningless on SMP machines and if the machine was running two processes (for a single-CPU system) or even swapping.

### 6.1.7 Feature Space Adaptation (FSA)

The ML adaptation technique described in 5.2 can also be applied during decoding. In this case, you simply compute an adaptation matrix to transform the features to better match your models. The advantage in transforming the input features is of course, that you don't have to touch the models, making it possible to retain BBI and Fast Match models.

Initialization of the necessary objects can be as simple as:

```

set sas signalAdapt${SID}
SignalAdapt $sas senoneSet${SID}
$sas configure -topN 1 -shift 1.0
foreach ds [distribSet${SID}] { $sas add $ds }

```

Assuming you have created a `Path` object containing your current hypothesis and your codebooks are based on the "LDA" feature, the following code will accumulate sufficient statistics:

```

# Feature space adaptation
$sas clear      0
$sas clearAccu  0
$sas accu       path${SID} 0
$sas compute    10 0 0
$sas adapt featureSet${SID}:LDA.data featureSet${SID}:LDA.data 0

```

You can now decode again (without re-evaluating the feature set). The resulting hypothesis should have a better score than before and, on average, the error rate will be lower.

It is often a good idea to only adapt the features, once you have accumulated enough data (say 10 seconds of speech). Assuming you have more utterances from one speaker or from one channel, you can of course accumulate the data over several utterances, compute the matrix and re-decode. The `SignalAdapt` object can hold several accumulators and adaptation matrices at the same time. It is also possible to load and save them. Another idea is to compute Viterbi scores for several adaptation matrices in order to find the "best" one and use it for further adaptation. In a demo system, you could compute in advance adaptation matrices for several speakers or channels and, during showtime, decode the first utterance once without adaptation, pick the best adaptation matrix and use it for subsequent utterances, further adapting it to the current situation. This is called "delayed adaptation".

## 6.2 Advanced Decoding

In this section, we assume that you already have some experience with the JANUS object interface and the Tcl-Library. To run some more advanced experiments you will probably initialize the decoding engine by yourself without making use of the `ibisInit` function. The decoder works in a single pass using all available acoustic and linguistic information. A full language model lookahead is implemented based on the concept of linguistic polymorphism. The search vocabulary is organized as a compact network sharing both prefixes and suffixes. The active search space will be dynamically allocated on demand using a block memory management. The decoder can handle virtually unlimited vocabularies with higher order n-gram language models. Context free grammars as well as decoding along word graphs are supported.

### 6.2.1 Decoder Initialization

To setup the central search object, called `SPass`, you will create several objects along the module hierarchy shown above. The interface to the training objects is the `SenoneSet`, which provides access to a set of probability density functions (pdf) for each HMM state for a given left and right phonetic context. Each pdf itself might consist of streams using statistical models as gaussian mixtures or neural networks. The `TopoSet` defines the HMM topologies used to model the base phones. Both `SenoneSet` and `TopoSet` are needed to build a `PHMMSet` object which serves as the basic acoustic model interface for the decoder. Left and right context dependent models can then be built on top of these basic acoustic models. If you have a statistical n-gram language model `mylm.arpabo.gz` together with a vocabulary `myvocab`, the decoder initialization may look like this.

```
# context dependent phonetic hidden markov models
PHMMSet phmmSetX3 ttreeX3 ROOT
LCMSet lcmSetX3 phmmSetX3
RCMSet rcmSetX3 phmmSetX3

# language model
[LingKS lmX3 NGramLM] load mylm.arpabo.gz

# Search Vocabulary, Vocabulary Mapper
SVocab svocabX3 dictX3
SVMap svmapX3 svocabX3 lmX3

svocabX3 read myvocab
svmapX3 map base

# Search Network, Linguistic Tree, Single Pass Decoder
STree streeX3 svmapX3 lcmSetX3 rcmSetX3
LTree ltreeX3 streeX3
SPass spassX3 streeX3 ltreeX3
```

A few configuration options for the language model cache and the beam search will complete the startup. A word penalty and a language model weight can be configured in the `SVMap` object.

```
# configure LanguageModel cache
ltreeX3 configure -cacheN 200 -ncacheN 10
```

```
# configure Vocabulary Mapper
svmapX3 configure -phonePen 0.0 -wordPen 0 -silPen 10 -filPen 0 -lz 30

# configure Single Pass Decoder
spassX3 configure -stateBeam 130
spassX3 configure -wordBeam 90
spassX3 configure -morphBeam 80
spassX3 configure -transN 35 -morphN 8
```

## 6.2.2 Lattices

By default, lattices (defined by the object **GLat**) will not be generated at all, since all acoustic and linguistic information is truly used in the first pass and a second rescoring pass is not necessary. However, for several tasks like MMIE training, Consensus decoding, or acoustic rescoring, lattices might be wanted.

A lattice node (“GNode” in **GLat**) represents a word with start and end time together with the phonetic context, while the linguistic context is excluded. Lattice links (“GLink” in **GLat**) store the acoustic scores for the right context dependent models. The lattice generation works in two phases. In the first phase, lattice nodes and links will be created on the fly during decoding directly from the active search space by bypassing the back-pointer table. Since, we bypass the back-pointer table, several lattices nodes might be unconnected. Therefore, a second phase will add lattice links with respect to their a-posteriori probabilities. This approach allows to extract more information when compared to a lattice generation based on a back-pointer table.

```
# configure thresholds for lattice generation
spassX3.glat configure -alphaBeam 200 -topN 150

# preprocess audio data
set uttInfo [dbaseUttInfo dbX3 $spk $utt]
featureSetX3 eval $uttInfo

# run decoder
spassX3 run

# connect lattice nodes and prune
spassX3.glat connect -beam 200
spassX3.glat prune -nodeN [expr 100 * [llength $hypo]]
spassX3.glat write myLat.gz
```

To apply different language model weights and penalties, the method **rescore** might be used to get the n-best hypotheses. Word posteriori based confidences can be extracted using the method **confidence**. There are many manipulation functions to add or delete nodes and links. You can also create lattices by adding word sequences with **addPath**. Lattice error rates can be computed by align a sequence of reference words to the lattice with **align**.

```
GLat glatX3 svmapX3

glatX3 read mylat.gz
set output [glatX3 rescore -map svmapX3 -topN 1]
set hypo [lrange [lindex $output 0] 2 end]
set conf [glatX3 confidence $hypo -scale [expr 1.0 / $lz]]
```

### 6.2.3 Vocabulary Mapper

A **SVMap** defines a map function to map words from the search vocabulary **SVocab** to the vocabulary defined by a linguistic knowledge source **LingKS**. The search vocabulary consists of all words to be recognized potentially while the vocabulary from the **LingKS** contains those words for which linguistic information, e.g. a language model probability, is available. For example, a pronunciation variant belongs to the **SVocab**, but only the base-form occurs in the language model. The **SVMap** will define a mapping between pronunciation variant and base-form, potentially including a pronunciation probability. The same concept can be used to define class-based language models, e.g. pronunciation variants can be seen as a special case of a class based language model, which is shown in the following lines.

```
# class based language model
[LingKS lmX3 NGramLM] load classLM.arpabo.gz

# Search Vocabulary, Vocabulary Mapper
SVocab svocabX3 dictX3
SVMap svmapX3 svocabX3 lmX3

svocabX3 read myvocab

# define basic map
svmapX3 map base

# read substitution section from a class based language model
svmapX3 readSubs -lks lmX3
```

The **SVMap** allows great flexibility in combining vocabularies and languages models. You can define your own mapping easily by using the **add**, **delete** or **readMapFile** functions. Pronunciation probabilities can be modified dynamically during decoding by changing the **SVMap** entries. If you want to exclude a word from the search vocabulary, just delete the corresponding map entry. No restructuring of the search network is necessary.

A frequent use of the vocabulary mapper is to quickly and easily add a few words to an existing recognizer. If you don't have any language model information, you just create dictionary entries and map them to some existing language model word in the **SVMap**. The probabilities accepted **add** method are log-probs, i.e. if you add a word using **-prob 0.0** it will have an intra-class probability of 1, while a word added using **-prob -2.3** will have an intra-class probability of 0.5. Note that it is also possible to have "probabilities"  $p > 1$  using for example **-prob 1.0**. This is a useful hack if you find that some words "just don't get recognized properly".

### 6.2.4 Interpolation of Language Models

Now, let's interpolate some linguistic knowledge sources. The interpolation object itself is again a linguistic knowledge source, but of type *MetaLM*. By doing this, you can create a hierarchy of interpolated language models. You can also combine statistical n-gram models with context free grammars. Global or context dependent interpolation weights might be used. Here is an example of interpolating a Switchboard and a Broadcast-News language model.

```
# basis language models
[LingKS lks_SWB NGramLM] load switchboard.lm.gz
[LingKS lks_BN NGramLM] load broadcast.lm.gz
```

```
# interpolated LM
LingKS lks MetaLM
lks.data LMadd lks_SWB
lks.data LMadd lks_BN

# interpolation weights
lks.data loadWeights interpol.weights
```

In principle, you can use the interpolated language model as it is. However, the interpolation causes millions of *exp* and *log* computations and therefore the decoding time will increase significantly. To speed up the decoding, we recommend to use a simplified language model as a lookahead instead of the full model. In particular, you can use one of the basis models to that end.

```
# Search Vocabulary, Vocabulary Mapper
SVocab svocabX3 dictX3
SVMMap svmapX3 svocabX3 lks

svocabX3 read myvocab
svmapX3 map base

# Search Network, Linguistic Tree, Single Pass Decoder
STree streeX3 svmapX3 lcmSetX3 rcmSetX3

# Simplified lookahead
SVMMap svmapLA svocabX3 lks_SWB
svmapLA map base
LTree ltreeX3 streeX3 -map svmapLA

# Decoder
SPass spassX3 streeX3 ltreeX3

# configure LTree to use svmap's score function for the leafs
ltreeX3 configure -cacheN 1 -ncacheN 500 -mode single
svmapX3 configure -cacheN 30
```

## 6.2.5 Modeling of Word Phrases

A linguistic knowledge source from type *PhraseLM* can be used to model word phrases (aka multi-words). This object type defines mappings between sequences of words. In particular, the substitutions of a class based language model can be handled by a **LingKS** of type *PhraseLM*. Map files can be read in by using the method **readMapFile**. A line of the map file might look like this “aboutit(2) {about it} -prob -1.06”, which maps the word *aboutit* to the sequence *about it* with a negative logarithmic probability of -1.06. The following lines show the construction of an linguistic knowledge source by interpolating a 3-gram with a class based 5-gram language model and each is using word phrases.

```
# 3gram swb LM
[LingKS lm1 NGramLM] load swb.3gram.gz

# 5gram class based swb LM
[LingKS lm2 NGramLM] load swb.5gram.gz
[[LingKS lm3 PhraseLM].data base lm2].data readSubs
```

```

# interpolated LM
LingKS lm4 MetaLM
lm4.data LMadd lm1
lm4.data LMadd lm3
lm4.data loadWeights interpol.weights

# multiwords for the final LM
[[LingKS lmX3 PhraseLM].data base lm4].data readMapFile swb.dict03.map

# lookahead LM : phraseLM over swb lm1
[[LingKS lmLA PhraseLM].data base lm1].data readMapFile swb.dict03.map

# Search Vocabulary, Vocabulary Mapper
SVocab svocabX3 dictX3
SVMap svmapX3 svocabX3 lmX3
svmapX3 map base
svmapLA readMapFile swb.dict03.map

# Simplified lookahead svmap
SVMap svmapLA svocabX3 lm1
svmapLA map base
svmapLA readMapFile swb.dict03.map

# linguistic tree
LTree ltreeX3 streeX3 -map svmapLA

# Decoder
SPass spassX3 streeX3 ltreeX3

# configure LTree to use svmap's score function for the leafs
ltreeX3 configure -cacheN 1 -ncacheN 500 -mode single
svmapX3 configure -cacheN 30

```

## 6.2.6 Context Free Grammars

IBIS allows to decode also along context free grammars (CFG) in addition to the classical statistical n-gram language models. This is especially an advantage in small domains, where less domain dependent training data is available for n-gram language models. Rather than compiling one network or a finite state graph out of the grammar description files, we use a more dynamic approach. Several rule based recursive transition networks (RTNs) are linked together by their non-terminal symbols. During decoding, a rule stack gives us the ability to enter or leave the linked networks. This kind of network organization gives us high flexibility when used in combination with dialog managers. Furthermore, it enables us to work with real context-free grammars.

The CFG implementation supports currently the following grammar description formats:

**SOUP** The grammar format of the CMU SOUP-Parser [6], which is used for many IF-based translation systems. It is an expansion of the CMU Phoenix-Parser [16] grammar format. An example grammar can be found in the section **ContextFreeGrammars**.

**JSGF** The Java Speech Grammar Format, whereby import statements are currently not supported. Further documentation can be found in [15].



FSM The AT&T FSM (finite state machine) text file format [9].

PFSG The probabilistic finite state graph (PFSG) format, which is used by the SRI language model toolkit [14].

In most cases, we are working with non-statistical semantic grammars, i.e. each transition to the next word has the same language model score<sup>1</sup>. But there is also support for all other kinds of probabilistic recurrent transition networks, whereby the probabilities can either be specified in the grammar file or equally distributed during the build process.

The context free grammar implementation in Janus can not only be used to do speech recognition, but also for parsing sentences and returning the parse trees for a given hypothesis. Currently there is only one major disadvantage compared to the SOUP or Phoenix parser, skipping of words is not possible.

A demonstration system for grammar based speech recognition with IBIS and for building small demo applications using speech recognition, named One4All was written by Christian Fügen and is maintained at the ISL by Sebastian. Feel free to ask him, if you want to have that system, or if there are any questions about it.

### Initialization

The initialization of the CFGs can be done either automatically by using `cfgInit` together with some settings in `desc.tcl` or manually. `cfgInit` has to be called somewhere before `ibisInit`, because the linguistic knowledge source has to be given as LM parameter to `ibisInit`. After setting the appropriate values in `desc.tcl`, the differing two lines from the standard start-up given above looks as follows:

```
cfgInit      $SID
ibisInit     $SID -lm cfgSet$SID
```

After decoding you can get the resulting parse tree by calling `parseTree`, which has also the ability to map terminal classes (see 6.2.6) back to their class members, by using the corresponding `SVMMap` as additional argument. This function is case sensitive and can also be used for parsing and afterwards returning the parse tree for any other text.

```
# e.g. get hypothesis
set hypo [spass$SID.stab trace]
set text [lrange $hypo 2 end]

# get parse tree
set parseTree [cfgSet$SID.data parseTree $text -svmap svmap$SID]
```

Initializing grammars or grammar sets manually goes e.g. as follows:

```
# grammar set for decoding
LingKS cfgSet CFGSet

CFG cfg1 -lks cfgSet
cfg1 load grammar1

CFG cfg2 -lks cfgSet
cfg2 load grammar2
```

---

<sup>1</sup>Therefore a score of -1.0 (=0.1) is used for all transitions to terminals and a score of 0.0 (=1.0) is used for  $\epsilon$ -transitions and all transitions to non-terminals.

```

cfgSet.data build

# single grammar for parsing
CFG cfg
cfg load grammar1
cfg load grammar2
cfg build

```

As mentioned already above several grammar file formats are supported. They can be specified, if the automatic format detection fails. To change the manner of how the initial transition probabilities are set, a mode can be given to the build command. Following are a few example commands:

```

cfg load grammar -format pfsg
cfg build -mode equal           ;# equally distributed scores
cfg build -mode equal -overwrite 1 ;# also overwrites given probs from file

```

### Sub-Grammars and Grammar Domains

Several domain dependent sub-grammars can be activated/deactivated and loaded at run time by using the **CFGSet** object. The activation/deactivation mechanism goes all the way to the rule level, giving the dialogue management system the full control over the speech recognizer. Furthermore, it is also allowed to penalize grammars or rules, by giving them a penalty factor.

When working with domain dependent grammars we support also a so-called shared grammar, which includes domain independent concepts, to eliminate the overhead of defining the same concepts in different grammars. Therefore you can assign domain tags to grammars, with which grouping of several grammars to one domain is possible (see also **desc.tcl**). Grammars can now be activated or deactivated by using their domain tags instead of switching each grammar in the set directly. The tag **SHARED** is reserved for the shared grammar, which is always activated and with the tag **all** given as argument to the activation/deactivation function all grammars are switched. Deactivated grammars are excluded from the next decoding or parsing process.

```

# activates only grammars of the navigation domain
cfgSet$SID.data deactivate all
cfgSet$SID.data activate NAV

# deactivates a rule in a grammar
cfgSet$SID.data.cfg(0):greeting configure -status Inactive

```

In the resulting parse tree, the domain tags are separated from the non terminal symbols by a colon, which makes it easy to see directly the matching domain of a query.

### Tight coupling of Speech Recognition and Dialogue Management

When developing human-machine interfaces consisting of speech recognition and dialogue management, the context free grammar implementation of IBIS allows for a tight coupling between speech recognition and dialogue management. Therefore the same linguistic knowledge sources should be used in both components, so that IBIS can be used as a parser for the user queries. The parsed output of IBIS can be directly used by the dialogue manager to determine the user intention. Furthermore, especially when using clarification questions, the current dialogue context can be used

to predict the context of the next user utterance and can be directly passed to the speech recognizer in form of top-level rule names to restrict the search space for the next decoding step[5].

The following script excerpts are showing the weighting mechanism of rules in IBIS to restrict the search space. All the entry rules of the used grammars are divided into two sets, a responseSet and a querySet. The responseSet consists only of rules, which are less likely to be used at the beginning of a dialogue, i.e. consists mainly of rules which cover all responses to clarification questions. The querySet contains all the rules which are most likely used at the beginning of the dialog.

```
proc weightRules { mode rules } {
    global par agent SID

    switch $mode {
        responseSet {
            # reset weights and clear cache
            cfgSet$SID.data weightRules _ALL_ -weight 0.000
            cfgSet$SID.data clear
            cfgSet$SID.data build -verbose 0

            set par(responseSet) $rules
            cfgSet$SID.data weightRules _ALL_ -weight -1.000
            set ret [cfgSet$SID.data weightRules $rules -weight -2.000]

            putsInfo "disabling rules ($ret): $rules"
        }
        enable {
            if { ![info exists par(responseSet)] } {
                set par(responseSet) _ALL_
            }
            weightRules responseSet $par(responseSet)

            set par(enableRules) $rules
            set ret [cfgSet$SID.data weightRules $rules -weight 0.000]

            putsInfo "enabling rules ($ret): $rules"
        }
    }
}
```

Before starting the decoding, i.e. during the initialization phase of the recognizer, a predefined set of rules can be loaded from a file, which consist of rules, which are usually not used at the beginning of a dialogue. These rules are used to define the responseSet and are penalized per default.

```
set fp [open $disableLst r]
while { [gets $fp rule] >= 0 } { lappend rules [string trim $rule {}]}
close $fp

weightRules responseSet $rules
```

Depending on the dialogue context, rules of that responseSet can be selected by the dialogue manager and given to the speech recognizer. These rules can now be enabled, i.e. preferred against all other rules.

```

if { [info exists infoA(ENRULES)] && [llength $infoA(ENRULES)] } {
    weightRules enable      $infoA(ENRULES)
} else {
    weightRules responseSet $par(responseSet)
}

```

### Expanding the Grammar on the fly

Another feature is, that grammars can be expanded on the fly by new rules or terminals without restarting the recognizer. Even new words can be added to the grammar and the search network on the fly.

```

# adding of a few new paths together with some new rules
# this does not add new words to the search network
cfg addPath {[_NT_last]} {( last but not least )}
cfg addPath {s[test]} {( this is the first sentence )}
cfg addPath {s[testSuite]} {( this is the second sentence )}
cfg addPath {s[testSuite]} {( *BLA the third )}
cfg addPath {s[testSuite]} {( *BLA fourth )}
cfg addPath {s[testSuite]} {( *BLA [_NT_last] the fifth )}

```

### Starting Over

By default, it is not possible to walk through the grammar more than once, when decoding a sentence. This might be okay for most applications, but for some others, it might restrict the way to communicate with the system too much. In these cases, you can reconfigure the parsing process, so that it will be possible to start again with the top level rules, when a final terminal in the grammar is reached. However, due to the extended search space, the recognition accuracy might get worse. To have an influence on this, it is possible to set a penalty for starting over. An example looks like:

```

# enable startover for all grammars with a penalty factor of 2.0
cfgInit      $SID -startover 2.0

# disable startover for one grammar in the set
cfgSet$SID.data.cfg(0) configure -startover -1.0

```

### Top Level Rules

In some cases it might be useful to allow the parsing to start at every rule defined in the grammar and not only at the top level rules. This can be done for e.g. the first grammar in the set by

```

cfgSet$SID.data.cfg(0) configure -allPublic 1

```

### Synchronize Dictionary

Using the functions defined in `cfg.tcl` it is possible to bring the dictionary in synchronization with the grammars, so that the words defined in the dictionary are limited to the grammar vocabulary. Therefore you should define at least the following variables in `desc.tcl`:

```

set ${SID}(cfg,dict)      $dictPath/nav.dict
set ${SID}(cfg,baseDict)  $dictPath/baseDict

```

With `basedict` a large background dictionary is defined, in which all words in the grammars have to be defined. The result of the synchronization can be found in `dict`. The initialization of the decoder then looks as follows:

```
cfgInit      $SID -makeDict 1
dictInit     $SID -desc [set ${SID}(cfg,dict)]
ibisInit     $SID -lm cfgSet$SID
```

### Out-Sourcing of Terminal Classes to SVMMap

When working with large classes of terminals, like in the navigation domain a large number of street names, it is often helpful to out-source them from the grammar to the search vocabulary mapper (**SVM**ap). This reduces the number of grammar accesses and therefore speeds up the recognition process. To use this functionality you have to use the initialization given in section 6.2.6 and should additionally define the following variable in `desc.tcl`:

```
set ${SID}(cfg,classes) [list $dictPath/nav.classes]
```

The referred file defines a mapping between a terminal and its class identifier. An example of a mapping between street names looks as follows.

```
acherstra~se      @street
adalbert-stifter-stra~se @street
adenauerring      @street
adlerstra~se      @street
agathenstra~se    @street
ahaweg            @street
ahornweg          @street
```

You have to use `@` as a class identifier.

### Handling of Noises

To cope with spontaneous non-verbal speech events and non-human noises, we are using the mechanism of filler words in the decoder. Filler words can potentially occur between any two terminals. Instead of asking the language model for their score, a predefined filler penalty is applied. A complete set of variables defined in `desc.tcl` together with the handling of noises as filler words looks then as follows (the variable `fillers` is added):

```
set ${SID}(cfg,grammars) [list [list NAV \
                                $cfgPath/cfg.ka.nav \
                                $cfgPath/cfg.base.nav] \
                                [list SHARED \
                                $cfgPath/cfg.shared]]

set ${SID}(cfg,dict)      $dictPath/nav.dict
set ${SID}(cfg,baseDict)  $dictPath/baseDict
set ${SID}(cfg,classes)   [list $dictPath/nav.classes]
set ${SID}(cfg,fillers)   [list $dictPath/nav.fillers]
```

The initialization differs only in one point from the initialization in section 6.2.6:

```
set dict [set ${SID}(cfg,dict)]
cfgInit  $SID -makeDict 1
dictInit $SID -desc $dict
ibisInit $SID -lm cfgSet$SID \
          -vocabDesc $dict.v -mapDesc $dict.m
```

In the `fillers` file all noises are defined which should occur during decoding as filler words. An example looks as follows:

```
+click+
+interjection+
+interjection+(ah)
+pause+
```

To not loose too much in recognition accuracy, you need to tune the filler penalty on a development set. The configuration can be done as follows:

```
svmap$SID configure -filPen 60
```

## Visualization and Generation

The recursive transitions networks for a specific rule can be printed out and visualized using the AT&T FSM-Toolkit [9], e.g. for debugging purposes. Therefore the FSM-Toolkit has to be installed and all the executables has to be added to the `PATH` environment variable. Furthermore, `'dot'` has to be installed. The following command produces the FSM description files for the given rule and uses the FSM-Toolkit and `'dot'` to generate a postscript file (in this case `rqPathDscrFSM.ps`).

```
cfg fsm request-path-description rqPathDscrFSM
```

Also the terminal sequences produced by a specific rule can be printed out. Therefore the generation functions can be used. The terminal sequences can either be generated randomly according to the stored probability distribution in the transitions or fixed, by traversing all the transitions in a fixed order. In the latter case, no recursions are supported. Following are a few example commands.

```
cfg generate 10 -mode random
cfg generate 10 -mode random -recurse 1
cfg generate 10 -mode fixed

# generates 10 terminal sequences randomly with no recursions (default)
cfg:request-path-description generate 10

# generation can also be used in combination with starting over
cfg configure -startover 1
cfg generate 10
```

## 6.2.7 Decoding along Lattices

A Lattice can be seen as a constrain of your search space. This allows you to rescore lattices with new better acoustic modes without a full decoding. To that end, a lattice can be attached to a **LTree**. To allow a more flexible word graph, the lattice might be optimized with **compress**. After attaching the lattice, the decoding can be done as usual.

```
GLat glatX3 svmapX3
ltreeX3 constraint glatX3 -mode exact -type SVX
```

### 6.2.8 Run-On Recognition, partial traceback

For practical applications, the decoding should be run while receiving audio data and output partial results immediately. It is straightforward to write a Tcl loop for such purposes. The only thing to care, is to tell the decoder to not start from the beginning each time. Assuming a audio interface function *getAudio* is provided, the loop will look like this:

```
set myinit 1
while { [getAudioData] != 0 } {
    featureSet eval $uttInfo
    spass run -init $myinit
    set hypo    [spass.stab trace]
    set frameX [spass configure -frameX]
    puts "processed $frameX frames, got partial hypo $hypo"
    set myinit 0
}
```

### 6.2.9 Network Optimization

The default construction of the search network builds a tree structure. However, a more compact network can be obtained by using the method **compress**, which exploits redundancies in a more general way. Additionally, the whole search network might be dumped into a single file, allowing a faster startup of the decoder. If you load a dump file, you don't have to read other description files for the dictionary, vocabulary, mapper or even language model. At startup, you load the dump file by adding an option "-dump filename" at creating of the **STree** object.

```
streeX3 compress
streeX3 dump mydump.stree.gz
```

### 6.2.10 Dynamic Vocabularies

The IBIS decoder is designed to handle vocabularies dynamically, e.g. it is possible to add or delete words at runtime without reconstruction of the search network. To delete a word, it's actually not necessary to delete the word from the search network. You can also simply deactivate the word by removing the corresponding map entry from the **SVMap** object.

```
# add word
dictX3    add $newWord $newPron
svocabX3  add $newWord
svmapX3   add $newWord $lmClass -prob $classProb
streeX3   add $newWord
spassX3   reinit

# delete word
streeX3   delete $newWord
svmapX3   delete $newWord
svocabX3  delete $newWord
spassX3   reinit

# deactivation instead of deletion
svmapX3   delete $newWord
```

In particular, you can combine these techniques with run-on recognition to add unknown words on the fly by defining a time offset for the decoder reinitialization. This will allow the decoder to process that audio excerpt again to consider the added word at the correct time. The offset will be configured with “-START” option at the `reinit` method from the `SPass` object..

The default configuration of the IBIS decoder will allow you to process a vocabulary of 64k words. However, if you want to use larger vocabularies, you can simply change the defines for `SVX` and `SVX_MAX` in `src/ibis/slimits.h` and recompile.

```
typedef UINT    SVX;
#define SVX_MAX  UINT_MAX
```

### 6.2.11 Consensus Decoding

When doing ASR, what you really are interested in is word error rate (WER), not sentence error rate (SER), which however is what the standard beam search optimizes. Several approaches exist which do not try to minimize the overall score, but instead try to optimize the word error rate via confidence measures or introduce some kind of clustering between competing hypotheses in a lattice.

One such approach was developed by Lidia Mangu, when she was at John’s Hopkins. Lidia Mangu’s code can read our lattices when you `write` them with `-format slf`, implemented and documented by [Florian](#).

IBIS implements this approach to “Consensus Lattice Processing”, which allows you to decode, produce a lattice, compute confidence measures on it and then convert it into a confusion network, which you can then rescore for the most likely hypo. The sequence looks as follows:

```
set nodeDens 20
set postScale 2.0
set clpBeam 5.0
set silScale 1.0
set cutoff 0.1

...

lat$SID read $latIn/$utt.lat.gz
set hypo [lindex [lat$SID rescore -v 1] 0]

svmap$SID load svmapCLP
svmap$SID configure -wordPen $lp -lz $lz

lat$SID prune -nodeN [expr $nodeDens * [llength $hypo]]
lat$SID splitMW

lat$SID posteriori -scale [expr $postScale/$lz]
set cons [lat$SID consensus -v 1 -beam $clpBeam -silScale $silScale -cutoff $cutoff]
```

As pronunciation probabilities need to be regarded differently during confidence computation (here, they are real probabilities, which sum up to 1, while during decoding they are mere scores), you might want to use a separate vocabulary mapper (and maybe LM for multi-words) for a-posteriori generation. It is usually a good idea to prune a lattice before computing posteriors. The `consensus` method computes the consensus on the probabilities filled in by `posteriori`, you can also compute a confusion network on several lattices at the same time by adding the `-lats` option.



The other parameters to consensus should be set with care for performance and time consumption.

Usually, the word-posteriors (confidence scores) generated using Consensus are superior to those generated by other methods (i.e. **posteriori** alone). If pruning takes too long, try using a simpler svmapLA. If it fails with interpolated LMs, try:

```
# Configure LM
printDo m1m1.MetaLM configure -mlctMax 1000000
printDo m1m2.MetaLM configure -mlctMax 1000000
printDo m1m2.MetaLM configure -lvxCache 100000
```

If computing the consensus takes too long, try reducing nodeDens or clpBeam. The resulting confusion networks can be converted into lattices, HMMs, ... and can be used for MMIE training, and many other purposes.



## Chapter 7

# Tips and Trouble-shooting

### 7.1 General

If you don't find the information you need in this documentation, there might be more information available on-line at <http://isl.ira.uka.de/~jrthk/janus-doku.html>. A recent addition to the JRThk documentation is the Wiki page available at <http://www.is.cs.cmu.edu/janus/moin.cgi>.<sup>1</sup> As this is meant to be a “discussion white-board”, you might also find help for your problem there. If you do not find an answer to your problem there, please send e-mail to [jrthk@ira.uka.de](mailto:jrthk@ira.uka.de) or directly to one of the maintainers, but be sure to add sufficient debugging information, so that others have a chance to trace the problem. The more (useful) information you provide and the better you can describe the problem, the more people will be able to help you :-)

### 7.2 Installation

On Unix boxes, first make sure the `janus` binary is in your search `PATH`. If you can't run Janus by simply typing `janus` at the shell prompt, try:

```
(i13pc33:/home/metze) setenv PATH /home/metze/janus/scr/Linux.gcc/janus:${PATH}
```

If you do not use `tcsh` or your Janus binary is not in the above directory, you'll have to change nomenclature or path accordingly. Janus can be compiled with or without support for X11, so in some cases you may need to set the `DISPLAY` environment variable:

```
(i13pc33:/home/metze) setenv DISPLAY i13pc33:0.0
```

Note that e.g. `ssh -XC i13pc33` does not work properly when you redefine the `DISPLAY` environment variable, for example in your `.tcshrc`, if you're using this it is usually best to leave `DISPLAY` as it is.

This is the output of an interactive example trouble-shooting session under Linux fixing several common installation difficulties:

```
i13pc33 /home/data> janus
application-specific initialization failed: no display name and no
$DISPLAY environment variable
```

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<sup>1</sup>Currently, this is accessible at <http://penance.is.cs.cmu.edu/janus/moin.cgi>.

```
% exit
i13pc33 /home/data> setenv DISPLAY i13pc33:0.0
i13pc33 /home/data> janus
# =====
# -----
# |__ || _ \ | _ | | _ V5.1 P001 [Apr 9 2003 11:21:47]
# | || | _ | | | | | / | -----
# | || _ < | | | < University of Karlsruhe, Germany
# | || | _ | | | | _ | \ | Carnegie Mellon University, USA
# _ | | JANUS Recognition
# \_ _ / Toolkit (c) 1993-2002 Interactive Systems Labs
#
# =====
application-specific initialization failed: Can't find a usable init.tcl in the
following directories:
/home/data/janus/src/../../library /home/data/janus/src/../../library
This probably means that JanusRTk wasn't installed properly.
% exit
i13pc33 /home/data> setenv JANUS_LIBRARY /home/data/janus/library
i13pc33 /home/data> setenv TCL_LIBRARY /usr/lib/tcl8.3
i13pc33 /home/data> setenv TK_LIBRARY /usr/lib/tk8.3
i13pc33 /home/data> janus
# =====
# -----
# |__ || _ \ | _ | | _ V5.1 P001 [Apr 9 2003 11:21:47]
# | || | _ | | | | | / | -----
# | || _ < | | | < University of Karlsruhe, Germany
# | || | _ | | | | _ | \ | Carnegie Mellon University, USA
# _ | | JANUS Recognition
# \_ _ / Toolkit (c) 1993-2002 Interactive Systems Labs
#
# =====
% puts $auto_path
/home/data/janus/library /home/data/janus/tcl-lib
/home/data/janus/gui-tcl /usr/lib/tcl8.3 /usr/lib
/home/data/janus/src/lib /usr/lib/tk8.3 /home/data/janus/library
%
```

If you encounter one of the above errors, you can add the problem-solving line to your start-up scripts. The Tcl-variable `auto_path` can also be changed in `.tcshrc`. As Janus is a Tcl/Tk application, you might also need to install the relevant libraries in the correct version and set up the environment variables `TCL_PATH` and `TK_PATH` accordingly (in the above example, the first of the three “setenv” lines will often suffice). Some versions of Janus might also be dynamically linked against `libreadline`, `libtermcap`, and `libcurses`.

## 7.3 Tcl-library problems

Normally, Tcl/Tk will automatically source the files in the “tcl-lib” and “gui-tcl” directories, when functions which are defined in those scripts are called. If you define new functions, you have to add them to the index file `tclIndex`, which you’ll find in both directories. The standard way to recreate this file is to issue the following commands to an instance of janus started in the “tcl-lib” or the “gui-tcl” directory:

```
file delete tclIndex
auto_mkindex $JANUSLIB *.tcl
```

## 7.4 Object problems

Janus (more exactly: the Tcl/ Tk interface) uses “:” to access list elements and “.” to access sub-objects. For example, the dictionary word **HAS** can be accessed as `dict$SID:HAS` and `dict$SID.item(100)`. Now it is perfectly legal to have subobjects, whose name contains a “.”, although you won’t be able to access it via “:” now, because the “.” in the list item name will be interpreted as a subobject. The solution is to avoid the “.” altogether or to access your list item as `dict$SID.item([dict$SID.list index HAS])`.

## 7.5 The fgets-problem

If Janus blocks (hangs) as soon as it tries to lock access to a file via `fgets`, the best solution is to set up an NGets-server by editing the following lines in your `.janusrc` (see the example in `~/janus/scripts/janusrc`)

```
set NGETS(HOST)      ""
set NGETS(PORT)      63060
```

to look somewhat like this:

```
set NGETS(HOST)      i13s8
set NGETS(PORT)      63050
```

You can choose any combination of HOST and PORT you like, but the HOST should be a reliable machine (SUNs are great) and the PORT should not be used for system services or somebody else’s NGets-server. You should now start the server on the reliable machine using

```
(i13s8:/home/metze) janus janus/tcl-lib/ngetsGUI.tcl -server
# =====
#  ----  ----  ----  -
# |__ | | _ \ | _ | | _      V5.0 P011 [Nov 13 2002 17:17:29]
# | | | | | | | | | | / |  -----
# | | | _ < | | | <      University of Karlsruhe, Germany
# | | | | | | | | | \ |    Carnegie Mellon University, USA
# _ | | JANUS Recognition
# \_ /      Toolkit      (c) 1993-2002 Interactive Systems Labs
#
# =====
Server accepting connection on 63060 ...
CurrentSock: sock5
```

or, if you don’t want the graphical interface,

```
(i13s8:/home/metze) janus
# =====
#  ----  ----  ----  -
# |__ | | _ \ | _ | | _      V5.0 P012 [Nov 27 2002 14:43:58]
# | | | | | | | | | | / |  -----
# | | | _ < | | | <      University of Karlsruhe, Germany
```

This NGets-server process will now handle all calls to **fgets** and **glob** for all other processes. You can test this setup by generating a simple file `/home/metze/x` containing a few lines of text in your home directory and then executing Janus in your home directory (assuming you started a server as above):

Be aware that this server variant reads the file in memory once and will only write it back when all the entries have been processed by client processes. If your jobs die and you want to restart the jobs, you can simply select the file and click on “Clear” in the `ngetsGUI.tcl` interface window. You can check if a process is using an NGets server by looking for the line

## Background

“fgets” is an important Tcl-function, which is used in most parts of Janus to parallelize jobs on different machines. The Janus Library (described in chapter [lib](#)) makes extensive use of it, as do our standard testing scripts.

“fgets” is implemented in C (`~/janus/src/itf/itf.c` in case you want to have a look). If you run JANUS on a single machine, using

```
while {[fgets spkList spk] != -1} {
    puts $spk
}
```

is equivalent to

```
set fp [open spkList r]
while {[gets $fp line] != -1} {
    puts $spk
}
close $fp
```

Both scripts will print out the contents of the file `spkList`. If, however you run the same script on different machines on the same file and at the same time, you will notice the difference: The first version will “divide” the list between the different machines, while the second version will print the whole list on every machine. Also, if you have a look at the file after you ran the first script, you will notice that the first character of every line is no “#”. Running this script on such a file will produce no output, because it “believes” that all “keys” (lines) have already been processed (output) by another machine. It is therefore a good idea to keep backup copies of speaker lists etc. around.

On some machines or operating systems (e.g. Linux with certain nfs implementations), this mechanism does not work reliably, because exclusive file locking cannot be guaranteed, e.g. two machines can read and write to one file at the same time. The easiest solution to this problem is to re-define “fgets” in Tcl and replace this mechanism by something else, i.e. a server that reads files and listens on ports. Such an approach is implemented in `~/janus/tcl-lib/ngets.tcl`, and `~/janus/tcl-lib/ngetsGUI.tcl`.

## 7.6 Catching aborts

Janus is implemented in C. Some program faults will therefore be caused by segmentation violations. C has handlers to catch a seg-fault signal and execute specific code. The relevant procedure is called `~/janus/src/itf/itc.c:janusSignalHandler` and can be used to send mail or do something else if you define a procedure “janusErrorHandler” at Tcl-level.

Code like this (in combination with other approaches) can be very useful in maximising CPU load during evaluation times, while it will not improve the quality of the code. If you get aborts, it will be best to debug the code.

An example procedure that will send e-mail if Janus crashes unexpectedly looks like this:

```
proc janusErrorHandler { sig } {
    global errorInfo errorCode argv argv0 env

    set sigN [lindex "NONE SIGHUP SIGINT SIGQUIT SIGILL 5 SIGABRT 7 \
        SIGFPE SIGKILL 10 SIGSEGV 12 SIGPIPE SIGALRM SIGTERM" $sig]
    regsub "\\.*" [info hostname] "" host
    set exe [info nameofexecutable]
    set cmd "$argv0 $argv"
    set pwd $env(PWD)
    set mail $env(USER)@ira.uka.de
```

```

switch $sigN {
  SIGABRT -
  SIGFPE -
  SIGSEGV {
    janusSendMail $mail \
      "$sigN $host $pwd: $argv0" \
      "$host.[pid] $pwd:\n$exe $cmd\n[string repeat - 72]\n$errorInfo"
  }
  default {
    puts stderr "\nReceived signal $sig ([lindex $sigL $sig]).\n"
  }
}

}

proc janusSendMail { address subject body } {
  exec echo $body | mailx -s $subject $address
}

```

Define these procedures in your `.janusrc` and you'll receive e-mails when janus seg-faults. A system to notify the user of all possible errors is however difficult to realise :-).

## 7.7 Filesystem issues

Janus can read compressed files transparently. In some cases the piping mechanism used however causes problems, so if you see an I/O-related problem on compressed files, try working with uncompressed (or local) files first.

Accumulating and particularly combining ML accumulators can pose a heavy burden on distributed filesystems. If you want to guarantee the execution of the server part of the `doParallel` loop on a particular machine (`i13pc44` in this case), for example because this machine holds the data locally or has a very fast network connection, you can include the following code in your `.janusrc`:

```

proc doParallelServer { } {
  set SERVER [lindex [glob -nocomplain "i13pc44*.INIT"] 0]
  if {$SERVER == ""} {
    set SERVER [lindex [glob -nocomplain "i13pc4\[0-6\]*.INIT"] 0]
  }
  if {$SERVER == ""} {
    set SERVER [lindex [lsort -decreasing [glob -nocomplain "i13pc3*.INIT"]] 0]
  }
  if {$SERVER == ""} {
    set SERVER [lindex [glob -nocomplain "i13pc5\[0-1\]*.INIT"] 0]
  }
  if {$SERVER == ""} {
    set SERVER [lindex [glob -nocomplain "i13pc2*.INIT"] 0]
  }
  if {$SERVER == ""} {
    set SERVER [lindex [lsort [glob "*.INIT"]] end]
  }
  return [string range $SERVER 0 [expr [string length $SERVER]-6]]
}

```



If `il3pc44` is not available, this procedure will choose the next-best machine and so on.

## 7.8 featAccess and featDesc

The `featAccess` and `featDesc` file serve to define where to find acoustic data and how to process it. They are in fact Tcl scripts evaluated in a separate interpreter. The reason to hold them separately is to allow for greater flexibility when porting systems between tasks, architectures, or sites.

The fact that these scripts are evaluated as Tcl-scripts in a separate interpreter limits the scope of variables; if you're experiencing error messages stemming from `featAccess` or `featDesc`, debugging can be a bit tedious, because you cannot run the scripts interactively and determine which variables are visible or which commands fail (and for what reason).

```
% featureSet$SID eval $uttInfo
warp /project/MT/data/ESST/cd28/e044a/e044ach2_039.16.shn with factor
1.000
ERROR matrix.c(2080)      expected 'float' type elements.
ERROR itf.c(0359) <ITF,FCO> Failed to create 'dummyS' object.
ERROR itf.c(0720)      featureSetEval<featureSetQ4g> featureSetQ4g
{{spk MBB_e044ach2} {utt e044ach2_039_MBB} MBB_e044ach2 {EDUCATION
graduate} {PROFESSION student} {NATIVE_LANG e} {SEX m} {ID MBB} {KEY
MBB_e044ach2} {DIALECT American English} {DATE_OF_BIRTH 710808}
{PRIMARY_SCHOOL Louisville, KY} {SEGS e044ach2_001_MBB e044ach2_003_MBB
e044ach2_150_MBB e044ach2_152_MBB} e044ach2_039_MBB {ADC e044ach2_039.16}
{ID MBB} {LM yeah #NIB_H## #NIB_H## though it is #NIB_GE# what #NIB_UM#
seven hours #NIB_GE#} {TEXT yeah #NIB_H## #NIB_H## though it is #NIB_GE#
what #NIB_UM# seven hours #NIB_GE#} {CHANNEL e044ach2} {PATH cd28/e044a}
{KEY e044ach2_039_MBB} {TIME 4.181} {SPEAKER MBB_e044ach2}}:
```

In this example, you can determine that the error occurred during the evaluation of `featDesc` (`featureSetEval<featureSetQ4g> featureSetQ4g`); the exact kind and location of the error (the subtraction of spectral means failed because none were loaded) is usually determined by the insertion of several `puts` ‘‘Now I’m here ...’’ and `puts` ‘‘WARPFACTOR=\$WARP’’ lines in `featDesc`.

## 7.9 Score functions

Janus spends most of its time doing score computations. This is usually done in a highly optimized routine called `ssa_opt`. This routine makes a few assumptions makes a few assumptions on the underlying acoustic models, namely:

- They are fully continuous
- All codebooks share the same feature

So, if you use multiple STC classes or you’re building a semi-continuous system, be sure to add the following line to your decoding script:

```
senoneSet$SID setScoreFct base
```

Also, if your acoustic scores look really bad, you might try this line, too.

## 7.10 Labels and Dictionaries

Labels store pre-computed time-alignments as computed by the Viterbi or Forward-Backward algorithm. If you're using labels and you get error messages stating

```
Couldn't map 234 of 1234 path items.
```

or the results from training are unreasonable, usually your **Path** (labels) and your current **HMM** construction don't match. Labels store state indices, i.e. "frame X occupies the HMM state(s) Y (and Z)". If the HMM object associated with the Path object when reading the labels was built differently from the one used during label writing, the indexing will be different (i.e. skewed in time) and the labels are essentially useless. Typical culprits changed during HMM construction are:

- A modified **Dictionary**
- The **-optWord** and **-variants** flags to HMM **make**
- Different transcriptions (filtered differently, more pauses, etc.)

If you want to change any of the above, your time alignments will change anyway, so you'll need to write new labels. In some cases it is possible to re-use old (Viterbi) labels by creating the old and new HMMs side by side and re-configuring the path items' **-stateX** by hand (you'll have to create them by **bload** or some other method), but you better know exactly what you're doing or your results will be bogus.

## 7.11 Language Models

Janus can read in ARPABO-format language models. However, depending on the sorting order of n-grams, this can take a long time or simply fail. In this case, try to re-sort the file so that the first column is sorted first and/ or try to load the uncompressed file. If you experience trouble reading a compressed LM file (as in dump files), read on with section 7.12.

## 7.12 Defines and Dump Files

The Ibis decoder stores files in a compressed binary format for reasons of I/O speed and memory consumption on disk. Particularly, the STree **dump** contains a **Dictionary**, **SenoneSet**, **SVocab**, **PHMMSet**, **LCMSets**, **RCMSets**, and possibly an **XCMSets** as well as an **LingKS**/ **SVMap**.

If you're trying to read a dump file and you're getting an error message, chances are the system the dump was written with a system which differs from the system you're reading the dump with in some aspect. Favourites are:

**Objects:** used in one system, but not the other, particularly the **XCMSets**. Also, when loading a dump, the object reading the dump has to be empty, i.e. it has to exist, but cannot contain data.

**Configuration:** some objects are configured differently or contain a different number of items.

**Language Models:** the **MetaLM** relies on other, lower-level models and only stores the top-level information in its dump file; therefore the lower LMs have to be initialized properly before reading a dump into a **MetaLM**.

**Executable:** Janus and the Ibis decoder depend on a few compile-time **#defines** and **typedefs** set in **src/ibis/slimits.h**. See section 2.6 for information on how to compile Janus and the meaning of these flags. If you have two executables

compiled with different settings, you will most likely not be able to exchange dump-files between the two, because the internal representation of data is different.

## 7.13 Speed

If you find your training or decoding is taking too long, chances are you're working on an ill-conditioned problem, e.g. you'll have to think about a more intelligent setup.

The first step in finding out why your jobs run so slowly is to pinpoint the part of the code which takes up most of the time. Frequently, your job is just too big (takes up too much memory) and the machine starts "swapping". If this is the case, try moving to another machine or look at section 7.14. If this is not the case, usual suspects are:

**I/O:** it can take a long time to load data into memory, if it's stored on network disks or is distributed over many small files. Try to move the data to a local disk or reduce the number of individual files by using a differently organized **DBase**, a more intelligent **featDesc** and **featAccess** or by using a **Labelbox** (c.f. sections 7.8 and 7.7).

**Decoding:** Try reducing the beams used in **SPass** or use a different scoring function by using **setScoreFct**. Popular speed-up techniques include the use of a **BBITree** and **fmatch**. Sometimes it is necessary to use profiling to see where exactly the time is spent.

If you're using the "base" scoring function (**setScoreFct**), try to configure the Gaussian evaluation threshold differently, i.e. set **-expT** to a higher cutoff such as in

```
codebookSet$SID:SIL-m.cfg configure -expT -10.0.
```

This should speed up your decoding by up to 20% without loss in accuracy. Also see section 7.9 on scoring functions.

**Language Models:** Complicated language models can take a long time to evaluate, try using a simpler language model for decoding, use a simple n-gram **LingKS** as look-ahead by using the **-map** option when creating an **LTree**, and/ or play with the **-cache** and **-mode** settings in **LTree**.

You can also check the compile-time settings of Janus. You might find a setting which optimizes speed for your particular hardware.

## 7.14 Memory Consumption

If you find your training or decoding uses too much memory, chances are you're working on an ill-conditioned problem, e.g. you'll have to think about a more intelligent setup.

You can reduce the memory footprint of the executable by compiling Janus as "Ibis" only (c.f. section 2.6) or by using different **#defines** and **typesets** for the **LVX** and **SVX** types used in the decoder (see sections 2.6 and 7.12).



## Chapter 8

# Modules

The structure of this section is according to the organization of the source code.

### 8.1 Base modules (src/base)

#### 8.1.1 CMatrix

This section describes the '*CMatrix*': *Matrix of char values*

**Creation:** CMatrix <name>

name name of the object

**Configuration:** cmatrix configure

-m = 1

-n = 1

**Methods:** cmatrix

puts

print matrix contents as TCL list

#### 8.1.2 DBase

This section describes the '*DBase*': *DBase*

**Creation:** DBase <name>

name name of the object

**Methods:** dbase

add <key> <list>

add record to database

key key

list list of varName varValue

close

close database

```

delete <key>
    delete record from database
    key    key

first
    get first key in database

get <key>
    get record from database
    key    key

list
    list all keys in database

next
    get next key in database

open <file> <index> [-ptrSize ptrsize] [-mode mode]
    open database
    file      name of database file
    index     name of index file
    ptrsize   size of pointer (use when creating only, global parameter)
    mode      r — rw — rwc

read <filename>
    add records from file to database
    filename  name of file to read

uttFilter <dbase> <uttID>
    filter utterance in foreachSegment (dbaseUttFilter)
    dbase     database name (not object)
    uttID     utterance ID

uttInfo <dbase> <spkID> <uttID>
    find utterance information (dbaseUttInfo1)
    dbase     database name (not object)
    spkID     speaker ID
    uttID     utterance ID

write <filename>
    write records from database to file
    filename  name of file to read

```

**Subobjects:**

dbaseIdx    (**DBaseIdx**)

**8.1.3    DBaseIdx**

This section describes the '**DBaseIdx**': *DBase Index Object*

**Creation:** DBaseIdx cannot be created directly.

It is accessible as a sub-object of **DBase**!

**Configuration:** dbaseidx configure

-hashSizeX    = 2

**Methods:** `dbaseidx`

```

add <key> <offset> <size>
    add record to index
    key      key
    offset   offset
    size     size

close
    close index database

delete <key>
    delete record from index
    key    key

first
    get first key in index file

get <key>
    get record from index
    key    key

list
    list all keys in index file

next
    get next key in index file

open <filename> [-mode mode]
    open index file
    filename  name of index file
    mode      r — rw — rwc

```

**8.1.4 DMatrix**

This section describes the '*DMatrix*': *Matrix of double values*

**Creation:** `DMatrix <name> <matrix>`

```

name      name of the object
matrix    @filename or name or definition

```

**Configuration:** `dmatrix configure`

```

-count    = 0.000000
-m        = 1
-n        = 1

```

**Methods:** `dmatrix`

```

:=
    assign matrix (equiv. to 'copy')

FMatrix
    convert from a FMatrix

bload <filename>
    load matrix
    filename

```

```

bsave <filename>
    save matrix
    filename

clear
    set all matrix values to 0

copy
    copy matrix

det [-format format]
    compute determinant
    format    format string

eigen <matrix> [-iter iter] [-thresh thresh] [-clean clean] [-sort
sort]
    eigenvalues and vectors of symmetric matrix
    matrix    matrix to hold eigenvectors
    iter      max. number of iterations
    thresh    threshold for max. non diagonal element
    clean     clean up eigenvalue matrix
    sort      sort eigenvalues

get <1st index> <2nd index>
    get a single entry from a matrix
    1st index  first index
    2nd index  second index

inv <matrix>
    inverse of matrix using svd
    matrix

mul <matrix> <matrix>
    matrixA * matrixB
    matrix    matrix A
    matrix    matrix B

mulot <matrix> <matrix>
    matrixA * matrixB'
    matrix    matrix A
    matrix    matrix B

puts
    print matrix contents as TCL list

resize
    resize matrix

set <1st index> <2nd index> <value>
    set a single entry in a matrix
    1st index  first index
    2nd index  second index
    value      value

simdiag <matrix> <matrix> <matrix> [-iter iter] [-thresh
thresh]
    simultaneous diagonalisation

```



```

    matrix  matrix with eigenvalues
    matrix  total scatter matrix
    matrix  within scatter matrix
    iter    max. number of iterations
    thresh  threshold for max. non diagonal element

svd  <matrix> <matrix> [-clean clean]
singular value decomposition
    matrix  matrix W to hold singular values
    matrix  matrix V to hold basis of nullspace
    clean   clean up singular values

trans
transpose matrix

unity
make matrix a unity matrix

```

### 8.1.5 DVector

This section describes the '*DVector*': *Vector of double values*

**Creation:** DVector <name> <vector>  
     name     name of the object  
     vector   @filename or name or definition

**Configuration:** dvector configure

```

-count  = 0.000000
-n      = 1

```

**Methods:** dvector

```

:= <dvector>
assign vector (equiv. to 'copy')
    dvector

copy <dvector>
copy vector
    dvector

puts
print vector as TCL list

resize <dimension>
resize vector
    dimension

```

### 8.1.6 FBMatrix

This section describes the '*FBMatrix*': *Band matrix of float values*

**Creation:** FBMatrix <name> <matrix>  
     name     name of the object  
     matrix   @filename or name or definition

**Methods:** fbmatrix

```

display <canvas> [-width width] [-height height] [-x x] [-y y] [-min
min] [-max max] [-tag tag]
display fbmatrix
    canvas
    width
    height
    x
    y
    min
    max
    tag

linear [-N n] [-p p] [-rate rate] [-low low] [-up up]
linear filterbank
    n      number of filters
    p      number of (power) points
    rate   sampling rate in Hz
    low    lowest frequency in Hz
    up     highest frequency in Hz, 0 means rate/2

mel [-N n] [-p p] [-rate rate] [-low low] [-up up]
melscale filterbank
    n      number of filters
    p      number of (power) points
    rate   sampling rate in Hz
    low    lowest frequency in Hz
    up     highest frequency in Hz, 0 means rate/2

meltra [-rate rate] [-p p]
trapezoid shaped melscale filterbank
    rate   sampling rate in Hz
    p      number of (power) points

meltri
triangular shaped melscale filterbank

puts
print matrix contents as TCL list

```

### 8.1.7 FCovMatrix

This section describes the '*FCovMatrix*': *Covariance matrix type (float)*

**Creation:** FCovMatrix cannot be created directly.

It is accessible as a sub-object of **Codebook!**

**Configuration:** fcovmatrix configure

```

-det      = 0.000000
-type     = DIAGONAL
-useN     = 0

```

**Methods:** fcovmatrix

```

+= <source> [-scale scale] [-alpha alpha]
    add two scaled covariance matrices
    source    source covariance matrix (FCovMatrix)
    scale     scaling of the destination
    alpha     scaling of the source
:= <source>
    copy covariance matrix
    source    source covariance matrix (FCovMatrix)
clear
    clear the contents of an covariance accumulator
set <matrix>
    set the covariance matrix
    matrix    matrix of covariance vectors
variances
    returns a list of the variances along the axis

```

### 8.1.8 FMatrix

This section describes the '*FMatrix*': *Matrix of float values*

**Creation:** FMatrix <name> <matrix>

```

name    name of the object
matrix  @filename or name or definition

```

**Configuration:** fmatrix configure

```

-count  = 0.000000
-m      = 1
-n      = 1

```

**Methods:** fmatrix

```

:=
    assign matrix (equiv. to 'copy')
DMatrix
    convert from a DMatrix
add <a> <fmatrixA> <b> <fmatrixB>
    a * matrixA + b * matrixB
    a
    fmatrixA
    b
    fmatrixB
addvec <fmatrixA> <a> <fvectorV> <b>
    a * matrixA + b * vectorB
    fmatrixA
    a
    fvectorV
    b
append <matrix> <matrix> <where>
    append matrixB to matrixA
    matrix    matrix A
    matrix    matrix B
    where     in above, below, left, right

```

```

bappend <filename>
    append matrix to binary file
    filename
bic <clusterN> [-lambda lambda] [-iter iter] [-eps eps]
    Bayesian Information Criterion
    clusterN    number of cluster
    lambda      penalty term
    iter        maximal iteration for kmeans
    eps         minimal distortion
bload <filename> [-im im] [-append append]
    load matrix from binary file
    filename
    im          ignore m in file header
    append      append file to matrix
bmulot
    matrixA * bandmatrixB'
bsave <filename>
    save matrix to binary file
    filename
clear
    set all matrix values to 0
cload <filename> [-append append]
    load matrix from compressed file
    filename
    append      append file to matrix
cluster [-minM minm] [-maxM maxm] [-variance variance]
    create optimal codebook
    minm        minimal size of output matrix
    maxm        maximal size of output matrix
    variance    maximal variance when clustering
copy
    copy matrix
cosine <m> <n> [-type type]
    create cosine transformation matrix
    m
    n
    type
csave <filename> [-mode mode]
    save matrix to compressed file
    filename    filename
    mode        extra compression modes: rl, none
det [-format format]
    compute determinant
    format      format string
dev <matrix> <matrix>
    matrixA * matrixB
    matrix      mean values
    matrix      squared mean values

```

```

display <canvas> [-width width] [-height height] [-borderwidth
borderwidth] [-dx dx] [-dy dy] [-space space] [-x x] [-y y] [-from
from] [-to to] [-mode mode] [-grey grey] [-min min] [-max max] [-tag
tag] [-outline outline]
display matrix
    canvas
    width
    height
    borderwidth
    dx
    dy
    space
    x
    y
    from
    to
    mode
    grey
    min
    max
    tag
    outline
fromSample <fmatrix> <a>
    convert sample to kmeans'able FMatrix
    fmatrix
    a
get <1st index> <2nd index>
    get a single entry from a matrix
    1st index    first index
    2nd index    second index
iload <filename>
    load matrix from IBM file
    filename
isave <filename>
    save matrix to IBM file
    filename
load
    load matrix from file
minmax
    gives minimum and maximum
mload <filename> [-idx idx] [-append append]
    load matrix from Matlab file
    filename
    idx          index of matrix to load
    append       append file to matrix
modulo [-mod mod] [-max max] [-start start]
    modulo matrix
    mod          modulo factor
    max          maximum count
    start        don't module first data

```

```

mul <matrix> <matrix>
    matrixA * matrixB
    matrix  matrix A
    matrix  matrix B

mulcoef <fmatrixA> <fmatrixB> [-a a] [-div div] [-mode mode]
    multiply each coefficient
    fmatrixA
    fmatrixB
    a
    div      division instead multiplication
    mode     mode 0, 1 or -1 for dimesion(result) =, max or min of input

mulot
    matrixA * matrixB'

neuralGas <matrix> [-maxIter maxiter] [-tempS temps] [-tempF tempf]
[-counts counts] [-step step] [-init init]
    neural gas clustering
    matrix  matrix of sample vectors
    maxiter  number of iterations
    temps    start temperature (0=k-means)
    tempf    temperature multiplier
    counts   vector with counts
    step     only take every Nth sample
    init     initialize with random samples

perceptron [-bias bias] [-log log] [-type type]
    perform perceptron operations for MLP
    bias    the bias FVector
    log     return logarithmic output
    type    type: softmax or sigmoid

puts [-ib ib] [-ie ie] [-jb jb] [-je je] [-format format] [-left left]
[-right right] [-middle middle]
    print matrix contents as TCL list
    ib      start row
    ie      end row
    jb      start column
    je      end column
    format  format string
    left    left side
    right   right side
    middle  between coefficients

resize <1st dimension> <2nd dimension>
    resize matrix
    1st dimension  first index
    2nd dimension  second index

scatterPlot <canvas> [-width width] [-height height] [-x x] [-y
y] [-xindex xindex] [-yindex yindex] [-from from] [-to to] [-xmin
xmin] [-xmax xmax] [-ymin ymin] [-ymax ymax] [-tag tag] [-line line]
[-p p]
    scatter plot

```

```

    canvas
    width
    height
    x      left side
    y      upper side
    xindex
    yindex
    from
    to
    xmin
    xmax
    ymin
    ymax
    tag
    line    draw lines
    p      point size
set  <1st index> <2nd index> <value>
    set a single entry in a matrix
    1st index  first index
    2nd index  second index
    value      value
square <FMatrix> [-index index]
    convert a row to a square matrix or vice-versa
    FMatrix    float matrix (FMatrix)
    index      index
trans
    transpose matrix
vts  <a> <fmatrixA> <b> <fmatrixB>
    a * matrixA + b * matrixB
    a
    fmatrixA
    b
    fmatrixB
window <FMatrix> <1st index> <2nd index>
    window matrix (into other matrix at offset)
    FMatrix    float matrix (FMatrix)
    1st index  first index
    2nd index  second index

```

### 8.1.9 FVector

This section describes the '**FVector**': *Vector of float values*

**Creation:** FVector <name> <vector>

name     name of the object  
vector   @filename or name or definition

**Configuration:** fvector configure

-count   = 0.000000  
-n       = 1

**Methods:** fvector

```

:= <fvector>
    assign vector (equiv. to 'copy')
    fvector
add <a> <fvectorA> <b> <fvectorB> [-mode mode]
    add two vectors
    a
    fvectorA
    b
    fvectorB
    mode      mode 0, 1 or -1 for dimension(result) =, max or min of input
bload <filename>
    load vector from binary file
    filename
bsave <filename>
    save vector to binary file
    filename
copy <fvector>
    copy vector
    fvector
norm
    norm of the vector
puts [-format format] [-middle middle]
    print vector as TCL list
    format    format string
    middle    between coefficients
resize <dimension>
    resize vector
    dimension

```

### 8.1.10 IMatrix

This section describes the '*IMatrix*': *Matrix of integer values*

**Creation:** `IMatrix <name> <matrix>`  
     **name**     name of the object  
     **matrix**   @filename or name or definition

**Configuration:** `imatrix configure`

```

-m   = 1
-n   = 1

```

**Methods:** `imatrix`

```

:=
    assign matrix (equiv. to 'copy')
bload <filename> [-im im]
    load matrix from binary file
    filename
    im      ignore m in file header

```



```

bsave <filename>
    save matrix to binary file
    filename

clear
    set all matrix values to 0

copy
    copy matrix

get <1st index> <2nd index>
    get a single entry from a matrix
    1st index  first index
    2nd index  second index

puts
    print matrix contents as TCL list

resize
    resize matrix

set <1st index> <2nd index> <value>
    set a single entry in a matrix
    1st index  first index
    2nd index  second index
    value      value

```

### 8.1.11 List

This section describes the '*List*': *List of indexed items*

**Creation:** List cannot be created directly.

It is accessible as a sub-object of **QuestionSet**!

**Configuration:** list configure

```

-blkSize  = 50
-itemN    = 0

```

**Methods:** list

```

delete <item>
    remove distribution from the set
    item  name of item in list

index <names*>
    translate names to indices
    names*  list of names

name <idx*>
    translate indices to names
    idx*  list of indices

```

**Subobjects:**

```
list (List)
```

### 8.1.12 SVector

This section describes the '*SVector*': *Vector of short values*

**Creation:** `SVector <name> <vector>`

`name`      name of the object

`vector`    @filename or name or definition

**Methods:** `svector`

`:= <svector>`

assign vector (equiv. to 'copy')

`svector`

`add <a> <svectorA> <b> <svectorB> [-mode mode]`

$a * \text{vectorA} + b * \text{vectorB}$

`a`

`svectorA`

`b`

`svectorB`

`mode`      mode 0, 1 or -1 for dimension(result) =, max or min of input

`append <SVector> <SVector>`

appends two svector

`SVector SVector A`

`SVector SVector B`

`copy <svector>`

copy vector

`svector`

`display <canvas> [-height height] [-from from] [-to to] [-step step]`

`[-scale scale] [-tag tag]`

display vector

`canvas`

`height`

`from`

`to`

`step`

`scale`

`tag`

`lin <a> <b>`

$a * \text{vector} + b$

`a`

`b`

`mean`

gives the mean value

`minmax`

gives minimum and maximum

`mul <svectorA> <svectorB> [-a a] [-div div] [-mode mode]`

vector multiplication

`svectorA`

`svectorB`

`a`

`div`      division instead multiplication

`mode`      mode 0, 1 or -1 for dimension(result) =, max or min of input

```

power
    gives the power value

puts [-index index]
    print vector as TCL list
    index

resize <dimension>
    resize vector
    dimension

set <index> <value>
    set single coefficient
    index
    value

swap
    swap byte order of short vector values

```

## 8.2 Feature stuff (src/features)

### 8.2.1 FeatureSet

This section describes the '*FeatureSet*': *set of features*

**Creation:** FeatureSet <name>

name name of the object

**Configuration:** featureset configure

```

-adcByteOrder  = auto
-adcHeader     = auto
-byteModeIn    = 1
-byteModeOut   = 1
-fadeIn        = 0
-frameShift    = 10.000000
-from          = 0
-name          = featureSetISLci
-offset        = 0
-ready         = 1
-runon         = 0
-samplingRate  = 16.000000
-to            = -1
-trans         = 0
-useN          = 6
-verbosity     = 0
-writeHeader   = 1

```

**Methods:** featureset

```

CholeskyDecomp <feature> <source>
    calculates the Cholesky Decomposition
    feature name of the new feature
    source  adjust this feature

```

**EFVR** <feature> <source.feature> <threshold> [-weight weight]  
 [-boost boost] [-decrease decrease] [-shrink shrink] [-maxboost  
 maxboost] [-thresweight thresweight]

Early Feature Vector Reduction

<b>feature</b>	name of the new feature
<b>source.feature</b>	name of the source feature
<b>threshold</b>	threshold level for feature reduction
<b>weight</b>	weight feature to be written
<b>boost</b>	boost factor for the weights
<b>decrease</b>	decrease of influence of each dimension of feature vector (0=all equal, 1= 1/n)
<b>shrink</b>	!=0 means no shrinking of the feature vector, merged fv are duplicated
<b>maxboost</b>	maximum boost factor
<b>thresweight</b>	vector of factors for dynamic threshold level

**FMatrix**

insert FMatrix type object into feature set

**MVN** <feature> <source> <mean> <smean> <alpha> [-a a] [-weight  
 weight]

mean and variance normalisation with exponential weighting (by FF)

<b>feature</b>	name of the new feature
<b>source</b>	name of the source feature
<b>mean</b>	update mean in FVector object
<b>smean</b>	update mean of squares in FVector object
<b>alpha</b>	exponential weighting factor
<b>a</b>	if (a > 0) a * standard deviation is normalised to 1.0
<b>weight</b>	feature that weights each frame when mean is calculated

**QWarp** <feature> <source.feature> [-WinSize winsize]

feature warping based on CDF matching

<b>feature</b>	name of the new feature
<b>source.feature</b>	name of the source feature
<b>winsize</b>	window size

**SVector**

insert SVector type object into feature set

**VTLN** <feature> <source> <ratio> [-min min] [-max max] [-edge  
 edge] [-mod mod]

Vocal Tract Length Normalization (VTLN)

<b>feature</b>	name of the new feature
<b>source</b>	name of the source feature
<b>ratio</b>	warping factor
<b>min</b>	max warping factor
<b>max</b>	min warping factor
<b>edge</b>	edge point for piecewise warping
<b>mod</b>	warping modus: lin, nonlin

**access**

preprocess feature evaluation parameters (featureSetAccess)

**accumulatematrix** <feature> <feature> <source> [-silence  
 silence]

accumulate matrix

<b>feature</b>	name of the new feature
<b>feature</b>	name of the new feature
<b>source</b>	adjust this feature
<b>silence</b>	silence frames marked with 1, otherwise 0

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adc2mel <feature> <source_feature> <win> [-shift shift]
16 framebased melscale coefficients, 8 and 16 kHz only
feature      name of the new feature
source_feature  name of the source feature
win          window size
shift        shift

adc2pow <feature> <source_feature> <win> [-shift shift]
framebased power
feature      name of the new feature
source_feature  name of the source feature
win          window size
shift        shift

adc2spec <source_feature> <win> [-shift shift] [-win win] [-rea
rea] [-ima ima] [-mag mag] [-pha pha] [-pow pow] [-adc adc] [-D d]
framebased spectral analysis
source_feature  name of the source feature
win            window size
shift          shift
win            window type [hamming—hanning—tukey—rect]
rea            feature with real part spectrum
ima            feature with complex part spectrum
mag            feature with magnitude
pha            feature with phase
pow            feature with power spectrum
adc            feature with windowed audio signal
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add <new_feature> <a> <featureA> <b> <featureB> [-mode mode]
add two features: a * featureA + b * featureB
new_feature  <a> * <featureA> + <b> * <featureB>
a
featureA      name of source feature 1
b
featureB      name of source feature 2
mode          mode 0, 1 or -1 for dimension(result) =, max or min of input

adjacent <feature> <source_feature> [-delta delta]
put adjacent frames together: x(t-delta), x(t+1-delta), ..., x(t+delta)
feature      name of the new feature
source_feature  name of the source feature
delta        delta (in time format)

alog <new_feature> <source_feature> <m> <a>
m * log(source_feature + b) with b=max/10â
new_feature  name of the new feature
source_feature  name of the source feature
m
a

append <feature> <feature> <mode>
append frames/ coefficients to the source feature
feature      name of feature to which the new data is appended
feature      name of appending feature
mode          append frames/ coeffs (i.e. rows/ columns)

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appendAESVM <feature> <msg> <header> <trailer>
    append an ASCII encoded short vector message to an SVector feature
    feature    name of an SVector feature
    msg        ascii encoded short vector message
    header     message header
    trailer    message trailer

aspike <destin> <source> [-window window] [-width width]
      [-maxslope maxslope] [-meanslope meanslope] [-thresh thresh]
      [-alpha alpha] [-v v]
    remove spikes from signal
    destin     name of the new feature
    source     name of the source feature
    window     window width of median filter (<3 = off)
    width      max spike width of slope filter (<1 = off)
    maxslope   max slope of slope filter
    meanslope  start mean value of slope filter
    thresh     thresh of slope filter
    alpha      adaption factor of slope filter
    v          verbosity

audioInit [-sr sr] [-gain gain]
    init audio device
    sr         sampling rate
    gain       microphon gain

auditory <feature> <source_feature> [-nf nf]
    auditory filterbank
    feature     name of new feature
    source_feature name of source feature
    nf          number of filters

autocorr <feature> <source_feature> <coeffN> <win> [-shift
shift]
    auto correlation
    feature     name of the new feature
    source_feature name of the source feature
    coeffN      coeffN
    win         window size
    shift       shift

avMagnitude <feature> <source_feature> <win> [-shift shift]
      [-mean mean] [-log log] [-abs abs]
    frame based average magnitude
    feature     name of the new feature
    source_feature name of the source feature
    win         window size
    shift       shift
    mean        mean of source feature
    log         compute log magnitude
    abs         compute absolute value (useful before taking log)

beepSeg <feature> [-from from] [-to to] [-band band] [-thresh
thresh] [-minDur mindur] [-maxInt maxint]
    segment (spectral) feature at beeper positions

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    feature    (spectral) source feature
    from       starting frame
    to         final frame
    band       index of frequency band
    thresh     energy threshold value
    mindur     minimum duration
    maxint     maximum interruption

changesub <feature> <adjustto> <adjustfrom>
    change scale of noise for spectral subtraction
    feature     name of the new feature
    adjustto    adjust this feature
    adjustfrom  adjust from this feature

compress <new_feature> <source_feature> <codebookSet> [-verbose
verbose] [-trainMode trainmode]
    compress float features to 8bit values
    new_feature  name of the new feature
    source_feature  name of the source feature
    codebookSet  will need a cbs after a couple of beers (CodebookSet)
    verbose     verbose
    trainmode    store compressed values in original feature

concat
    concat frames (or samples) of features

conv <source_feature> <fmatrix> [-gain gain]
    convolution with an impulse response
    source_feature  name of the source feature
    fmatrix         impulse resp
    gain            gain

corr <new_feature> <featureA> <featureB> [-from from] [-to to]
[-step step] [-samplestep samplestep] [-pad pad]
    correlation of two features
    new_feature  correlation of <featureA> and <featureB>
    featureA     name of source feature 1
    featureB     name of source feature 2
    from
    to
    step
    samplestep
    pad          pad with 0

corrMatrix <feature> <source> [-normalize normalize]
    correlation matrix of features
    feature     name of the new feature
    source      adjust this feature
    normalize   normalize correlation

cut <feature> <source_feature> <from> <to> [-select select]
    take frames <from> .. <to> of source feature
    feature     name of the new feature
    source_feature  name of the source feature
    from        start
    to          end
    select      1-dimensional FMatrix feature that selects the parts to be taken

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delete
    delete a feature

delta <feature> <source_feature> [-delta delta]
    symmetrical delta coefficients:  $x(t+\text{delta}) - x(t-\text{delta})$ 
    feature          name of the new feature
    source_feature    name of the source feature
    delta            delta (in time format)

display
    displays a feature

distance <feature> <source_feature>
    frame based distance
    feature          name of the new feature
    source_feature    name of the source feature

downsample <feature> <source_feature>
    downsample from 16kHz to 8kHz telephone quality
    feature          name of the new feature
    source_feature    name of the source feature

dtcwt <feature> <source_feature> <filter0a> <filter0b>
    <filter1a> <filter1b> <level> [-useLowpass uselowpass]
    perform the dual-tree complex wavelet transform according to Kingsbury
    feature          name of the new feature
    source_feature    name of the source feature
    filter0a          the lowpass filters for the first stage of the
    filter0b          / transform in trees a,b
    filter1a          the lowpass filters for all subsequent stages of the
    filter1b          / transform, trees a,b
    level             decomposition level
    uselowpass        number of low-pass coefficients to use (0 .. <level>)

eval
    run feature description script (featureSetEval)

exp <new_feature> <source_feature> <m> <a>
     $m * \exp(a * \text{source\_feature})$ 
    new_feature      name of the new feature
    source_feature    name of the source feature
    m
    a

fft2 <feature> <source_feature> <win> [-shift shift]
    framebased complex spectrum
    feature          name of the new feature
    source_feature    name of the source feature
    win              window size
    shift            shift

filter <feature> <source_feature> <filter> [-pad pad]
    filter a feature
    feature          name of the new feature
    source_feature    name of the source feature
    filter            @filename, name or definition of a filter
    pad              =0 pad with 0.0, !=0 pad with first & last value

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filterbank <feature> <source_feature> <bmatrix>
    multiply band matrix A with each frame x of feature:  $A * x$ 
    feature          name of the new feature
    source_feature    name of the source feature
    bmatrix           float band matrix

findpeaks <new_feature> <feature> [-hz_min hz_min] [-hz_max
hz_max] [-sr sr]
    framebased peak tracker
    new_feature       peaks of <feature>
    feature           name of the source feature
    hz_min
    hz_max
    sr

flip <feature> <source_feature>
    take last frames first
    feature           name of the new feature
    source_feature     name of the source feature

formants <feature> <source_feature> [-N n] [-fMin fmin] [-fMax
fmax] [-bMax bmax]
    extract fromants from lpc
    feature           name of the new feature
    source_feature     name of the source feature
    n                 max. number of formants
    fmin              min. formant frequency
    fmax              max. formant frequency
    bmax              max. formant bandwidth

frame <source_feature> <frame> [-format format]
    return frame of a feature given a featureSet frame index
    source_feature     name of the source feature
    frame              featureSet frame index
    format             format string

frameN <feature*>
    return featureSet frame number given a list of features
    feature*           list of features

fwt <feature> <source_feature> <filter> <level> [-useLowpass
uselowpass]
    perform the fast wavelet tranformation, real decimated case
    feature           name of the new feature
    source_feature     name of the source feature
    filter             the filter (i.e. the scaling function's coefficients) tho be used
    level              decomposition level
    uselowpass         number of low-pass coefficients to use (0 .. <level>)

getdeltasamples <feature> <source> <matrix>
    get delta of samples 4 correlated random variables
    feature           name of the new feature
    source            adjust this feature
    matrix            LP-COEFF-Matrix

getgaussian <feature.out> <feature.in> <distribSet> [-gmm gmm]
    return the gaussian with the highest likelihood

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    feature_out  name of the new feature
    feature_in   feature to be cleaned
    distribSet   enter the DistribSet here (CodebookSet is also loaded) (DistribSet)
    gmm          name of gmm to be used

gradient <feature> <source_feature> [-win win]
    compute gradients for a given window length
    feature      name of the new feature
    source_feature  name of the source feature
    win          number of Frames in window

impulse <feature> <source_feature> <win> [-shift shift]
    framebased impulse reponse
    feature      name of the new feature
    source_feature  name of the source feature
    win          window size
    shift        shift

index <names*>
    get feature index for a given name
    names*      list of feature names

lin <new_feature> <source_feature> <m> <a>
    m * source_feature + a
    new_feature  name of the new feature
    source_feature  name of the source feature
    m
    a

log <new_feature> <source_feature> <m> <a>
    m * log(source_feature + a)
    new_feature  name of the new feature
    source_feature  name of the source feature
    m
    a

lpc <feature> <source_feature> <order> [-a0 a0]
    linear predictive coding
    feature      name of the new feature
    source_feature  name of the source feature
    order        order
    a0           include a0

map <new_feature> <featureA> <featureB> <matrix>
    acoustic mapping
    new_feature  estimate for environment 2
    featureA     features from environment 1
    featureB     probs for each class
    matrix       FMatrix with shift vectors

matmul <feature> <source_feature> <matrix> [-cut cut]
    multiply matrix A with each frame x of feature: A * x
    feature      name of the new feature
    source_feature  name of the source feature
    matrix       FMatrix
    cut          take first n coefficients

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maxarg <feature> <source_feature> [-abs abs]
    index of maximum value per frame
    feature      name of the new feature
    source_feature  name of the source feature
    abs          1 for absolute value or 0 for signed values

maxpeak <feature> <source_feature> <win> [-shift shift]
    framebased maximum of peak to peak
    feature      name of the new feature
    source_feature  name of the source feature
    win          window size
    shift        shift

mean <matrix> <source> [-weight weight] [-dev dev] [-smean smean]
    [-count count] [-update update]
    calculate mean and variance
    matrix      mean vector(s) of type FMatrix
    source      name of the source feature
    weight      weight frames when calculate mean vector
    dev         deviation vector(s) of type FMatrix
    smean       mean of squares vector(s) of type FMatrix
    count       counts
    update      update mean and smean with using counts

meanarg <feature> <source_feature>
    mean index per frame
    feature      name of the new feature
    source_feature  name of the source feature

meansub <feature> <source> [-a a] [-mean mean] [-dev dev] [-smean
smean] [-upMean upmean] [-upSMean upsmean] [-useup useup] [-weight
weight] [-factor factor] [-alpha alpha]
    meansubtraction and variance normalisation
    feature      name of the new feature
    source      name of the source feature
    a            if (a > 0) a * standard deviation is normalised to 1.0
    mean        mean vector of type FVector
    dev         deviation vector of type FVector
    smean       mean of squares vector of type FVector
    upmean      update mean in FVector object
    upsmean     update mean of squares in FVector object
    useup       1 for: "use updated vectors" or 0 for: "current"
    weight      feature that weights each frame when mean is calculated
    factor      feature that weights each frame when mean is subtracted, a:=0!
    alpha       adaptation factor

melscale <feature> <source_feature>
    melscale from power spectrum
    feature      name of the new feature
    source_feature  name of the source feature

merge <new_feature> <names*>
    merge coefficients (interleave samples) of features
    new_feature  name of the new feature
    names*       list of source features

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mix <source_feature> <source_feature> [-shift shift] [-gain gain]
    mix with a new signal
        source_feature    name of the source feature
        source_feature    name of the source feature
        shift             shift between features
        gain              gain

mixn <feature> <source_features> [-filters filters] [-ignoreN
ignoren] [-normalize normalize] [-gain gain]
    mix n signals
        feature           name of the new feature
        source_features   list of source features
        filters           filters (objects) to apply to signals
        ignoren          samples to ignore left/ right
        normalize         normalize with number of features
        gain              gain

mul <new_feature> <featureA> <featureB> [-a a] [-div div] [-mode
mode]
    multiply two features: a * featureA * featureB
        new_feature       <a> * <featureA> * <featureB>
        featureA          name of source feature 1
        featureB          name of source feature 2
        a                 factor a
        div               division instead multiplication
        mode              mode 0, 1 or -1 for dimesion(result) =, max or min of input

multistep1p <feature> <source> [-delay delay] [-order order]
    calculate multi step linear prediction coefficients
        feature          name of the new feature
        source           adjust this feature
        delay            delay of linear prediction
        order            model order

name <idx*>
    get feature name for a given index
        idx*            list of feature indices

noise <feature> <length> [-type type] [-sr sr] [-mean mean] [-dev
dev] [-dim dim]
    create noise signal
        feature          name of the new feature
        length           length in time format
        type             "uniform" or "normal" distribution
        sr               sampling rate in kHz
        mean             mean value
        dev              deviation value
        dim              0 to create a SVector noise feature, >0 to create a FMatrix noise feature with <dim>

noiseest <feature> <source_feature> [-method method] [-time time]
[-nrOfBestMins nrofbestmins] [-alpha alpha] [-overEstimation
overestimation] [-debug debug]
    estimate the noise in a given signal

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<b>feature</b>	name of the new feature
<b>source_feature</b>	name of the source feature
<b>method</b>	method for noise estimation
<b>time</b>	time length of the window in seconds
<b>nrofbestmins</b>	number of mini-windows
<b>alpha</b>	memory factor for minimum statistic
<b>overestimation</b>	over-estimation factor for minimum statistic
<b>debug</b>	0: no debugging output, 1: print debugging output

**noisered** <feature> <source\_feature> <noise\_feature> [-alpha alpha] [-Rprio\_min rprio\_min] [-rprio rprio] [-rpost rpost] [-debug debug]

Ephraim and Malah Noise Reduction (additive noise reduction)

<b>feature</b>	name of the new feature
<b>source_feature</b>	name of the source feature
<b>noise_feature</b>	estimated noise
<b>alpha</b>	weight for calculation of the a priori SNR
<b>rprio_min</b>	min. value for Rprio to adjust residual noise level
<b>rprio</b>	feature with Rprio (in dB)
<b>rpost</b>	feature with Rpost (in dB)
<b>debug</b>	0: no debugging output, 1: print debugging output

**normalize** <feature> <source\_feature> [-min min] [-max max]

normalize coefficients to range <min> .. <max>

<b>feature</b>	name of the new feature
<b>source_feature</b>	name of the source feature
<b>min</b>	
<b>max</b>	

**normframe** <feature> <source\_feature> [-L l] [-n n] [-add add]

normalize each frame

<b>feature</b>	name of the new feature
<b>source_feature</b>	name of the source feature
<b>l</b>	$L_p \text{ norm} = (\text{SUM }  x[i] ^p)^{1/p}$
<b>n</b>	feature to hold norm
<b>add</b>	1: take norm as additional coefficient to new feature

**offset** <destin> <source> [-alpha alpha] [-count count] [-offset offset] [-mean mean] [-smean smean] [-a a] [-mindev mindev] [-delta delta] [-upMean upmean] [-upSMean upsmean]

remove offset adaptively from signal

<b>destin</b>	name of the new feature
<b>source</b>	name of the source feature
<b>alpha</b>	adaption factor of offset filter
<b>count</b>	if not 0 then calculate alpha using count of the mean vectors
<b>offset</b>	see -mean (old flag!)
<b>mean</b>	start value for mean
<b>smean</b>	start value for smean
<b>a</b>	a * standard deviation is normalised to 1.0 (if a > 0 and smean given)
<b>mindev</b>	minimal deviation
<b>delta</b>	calculate mean <delta> frames/samples ahead
<b>upmean</b>	update mean in FVector object
<b>upsmean</b>	update mean of squares in FVector object

**paGetRecorded**

get recorded PortAudio data

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paInfo <option>
    info on status, devices, ...
    option    one of "devicesIn/Out", "defaultIn/Out", "status", "?"

paPlay <feature> [-device device] [-from from] [-to to]
    start PortAudio playing
    feature    name of the feature
    device     audio device number
    from       from (sample no.)
    to         to (sample no.)

paStartRecording [-device device] [-sr sr] [-chN chn] [-buf buf]
[-feature feature] [-file file]
    start PortAudio recording
    device     audio device number
    sr         sampling rate in kHz
    chn        number of channels
    buf        buffer length (in seconds)
    feature    name of the feature(s)
    file       name of the file to write (Windows and WAV only)

paStop
    stop PortAudio playing

particlefilter <feature_out> <feature_in> <distribSet> [-number
number] [-fast fast] [-variance variance] [-refresh refresh] [-nio
nio] [-ARsmoothing arsmoothing] [-transcription transcription]
[-type type] [-speech speech] [-init init] [-delayspec delayspec]
    partilce filter spectral enhancement
    feature_out    cleaned feature
    feature_in     feature to be cleaned
    distribSet     enter the DistribSet here (CodebookSet is also loaded) (DistribSet)
    number         number of particles
    fast           fast version (skipping every second frame)
    variance       variance of the noise propagation
    refresh        cut of the likelihood
    nio            noise intensity offset
    arsmoothing    determines smoothing over frames for the dynamic AR matrix
    transcription  acoustic model trancription
    type           "sia" or "vts"
    speech         speech frames marked with 1, otherwise 0
    init           initialize particle filter
    delayspec      list of delay spectra

peak <feature> <source_feature> <win> [-shift shift]
    framebased peak distance
    feature        name of the new feature
    source_feature  name of the source feature
    win            window size
    shift          shift

play <src_feature> [-sr sr]
    play audio
    src_feature    feature to play
    sr             sampling rate in kHz

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plp <feature> <source_feature> [-o o] [-n n]
    perceptual linear prediction
    feature      name of new feature
    source_feature  name of source feature
    o            filter order
    n            number of output coefficients, 0 means order+1

postaud <feature> <source_feature>
    post processing for auditory filterbank
    feature      name of new feature
    source_feature  name of source feature

pow <new_feature> <source_feature> <m> <a>
    m * (source_feature â)
    new_feature  name of the new feature
    source_feature  name of the source feature
    m
    a

power <feature> <source_feature> <win> [-shift shift] [-mean
mean]
    frame based power
    feature      name of the new feature
    source_feature  name of the source feature
    win          window size
    shift        shift
    mean         mean of source feature

predictionmatrix <feature> <source> [-weight weight]
    linear prediction matrix
    feature      name of the new feature
    source       name of the source feature
    weight       feature that weights each frame when mean is calculated

predictionvariance <feature> <source> [-silence silence]
    calculate variance
    feature      name of the new feature
    source       adjust this feature
    silence      silence frames marked with 1, otherwise 0

puls <feature> <from> <to> [-value value]
    create puls in signals
    feature      name of the new feature
    from         start in time format
    to          length in time format
    value       value of puls

rdwt <feature> <source_feature> <filter> <level> [-useLowpass
uselowpass]
    perform the redundant discrete wavelet transform
    feature      name of the new feature
    source_feature  name of the source feature
    filter        the filter (i.e. the scaling function's coefficients) tho be used
    level         decomposition level
    uselowpass    number of low-pass coefficients to use (0 .. <level>)

read
    read feature file

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readADC <feature> <filename> [-hm hm] [-bm bm] [-f f] [-chX chx]
      [-chN chn] [-from from] [-to to] [-sr sr] [-offset offset] [-fadeIn
fadein] [-v v] [-startFile startfile] [-readyFile readyfile]
      [-sleep sleep] [-rmFiles rmfiles]
read ADC file
feature      name of the new feature
filename     name of ADC file
hm           header mode, kind or size in byte
bm           byte mode
f            1 => skip unnecessary bytes when reading
chx          selected channel: 1..chN
chn          number of channels
from         from
to           to
sr           sampling rate in kHz
offset       subtract offset
fadein       fade in
v            verbosity
startfile    runon: name of start file
readyfile    runon: name of ready file
sleep        runon: time to wait before next try
rmfiles      runon: remove files

readhtk
read HTK feature file

recordGet <feature> [-stop stop] [-device device]
get new audio data after starting with 'recordStart'
feature      name of the new (recorded) feature
stop         stop recording
device       audio device

recordStart <feature> [-sr sr]
start audio recording (see also 'recordGet')
feature      name of the new (recorded) feature
sr           sampling rate in HZ

reorder <feature> <source_feature> [-nextDestin nextdestin]
      [-nextSource nextsource]
reorder entries in feature
feature       name of the new feature
source_feature name of the source feature
nextdestin    name of the new feature
nextsource    name of the source feature

replace <feature> <feature> <from>
replace frames starting at <from> of source feature
feature       name of feature to replace
feature       name of replacing feature
from          start

resample <feature> <source_feature> <rate/shift> [-style style]
      [-order order]
resample audiosignal changing sampling rate
feature       name of the new feature
source_feature name of the source feature
rate/shift     new sampling rate in kHz for SVector or new shift in ms for FMatrix
style         'lin' or 'si' (short only!)
order         order for 'si'

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setAccess @<filename>|<command>
    read a 'File Access Description'
    @filename|command    @ and name of 'Feature Description File' or Tcl command

setDesc @<filename>|<command>
    read a 'Feature Description'
    @filename|command    @ and name of 'Feature Description' or Tcl command

shift <feature> <source_feature> [-delta delta]
    shift frames: x(t+delta)
    feature          name of the new feature
    source_feature   name of the source feature
    delta            delta (in time format)

show <FeatureSet> <Feature> [-width width] [-height height]
    show feature set (featshow)
    FeatureSet       FeatureSet to use (FeatureSet)
    Feature          name of feature to display
    width            width of window
    height           height of window

silDetCF <feature> <magnitude> <zeroX> [-magnitudeFactor
magnitudefactor] [-zeroFactor zerofactor] [-smoothPasses
smoothpasses] [-smoothLength smoothlength] [-minSilLength
minsillength] [-minZeroLength minzerolength]
    Christian Fuegen's Silence Detection
    feature          name of the new feature
    magnitude        log magnitude (magnitude or power see -feType)
    zeroX            zero crossing feature
    magnitudefactor  factor to multiply the magnitude threshold
    zerofactor       factor to multiply the zeroX threshold
    smoothpasses     passes to smooth
    smoothlength     smooth length (odd number)
    minsillength     minimum number of frames for a silence
    minzerolength    minimum number of frames for which the zeroX must exceed the threshold

silSeg <feature> [-from from] [-to to] [-band band] [-thresh thresh]
[-minDur mindur] [-maxInt maxint]
    segment (spectral) feature at silence positions
    feature          (spectral) source feature
    from             starting frame
    to              final frame
    band            index of frequency band
    thresh          energy threshold value
    mindur          minimum duration
    maxint          maximum interruption

silTK <feature> <power> <ptp> [-minPower minpower] [-maxPower
maxpower]
    T.Kemp's silence feature
    feature          name of the new feature
    power           name of power feature
    ptp            name of ptp feature
    minpower        mean of the most silent frames
    maxpower        mean of loudest frames

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snr <source_feature> <silence_feature> [-silSub silsub] [-mean
mean]
    signal to noise ratio of feature
    source_feature    name of the source feature
    silence_feature    silence feature (1/0)
    silsub            subtract the silence from speech Energy
    mean              mean of source feature

snrK <source_feature> <win> [-shift shift] [-mean mean]
[-kmeansIterN kmeansitern]
    signal to noise ratio of feature (kmeans)
    source_feature    name of the source feature
    win              window size
    shift            shift
    mean              mean of source feature
    kmeansitern      number of iterations of kmeans

spec2adc <feature> <source_feature1> <source_feature2> [-win
win] [-sr sr] [-D d]
    audio signal reconstruction from spectrum
    feature          name of the new feature
    source_feature1  magnitude
    source_feature2  phase
    win              window type [tukey—none]
    sr               sampling rate in kHz
    d                d

specadj <feature> <adjustto> <adjustfrom> [-smooth smooth]
[-show show]
    adjust first spectrum to max of second spectrum
    feature          name of the new feature
    adjustto         adjust this feature
    adjustfrom       adjust from this feature
    smooth           smooth the adjust from feature (0,1,2,3,4)
    show            "on" or "off"

specest <feature> <source_feature> <order> [-type type] [-warp
warp] [-sensibility sensibility] [-lpmethod lpmethod] [-correlate
correlate] [-compensate compensate]
    spectral estimation: lp wlp, mvdr or wmvdr
    feature          name of the new feature
    source_feature    name of the source feature
    order            order
    type             "LP" or "MVDR" or "MVDR.rewarp"
    warp             warp
    sensibility       sensibility
    lpmethod         "autocorrelation" or "modcovarianz" or "burg" or "warp"
    correlate         needed for burg and modcovariance
    compensate       compensate for the amplitude change in rewarp

specsub <new feature> <featureA> <featureB> [-a a] [-b b]
    Spectral Subtraction after Boll (additive noise reduction)
    new feature      spectral subtraction after Boll with estimated noise
    featureA         spectral feature
    featureB         estimated noise
    a                overestimation factor alpha
    b                spectral floor beta

```

```

specsublog <feature> <adjustto> <adjustfrom>
    logarithmic spectral subtraction (log10)
    feature      name of the new feature
    adjustto     adjust this feature
    adjustfrom   adjust from this feature

specsublog1 <feature> <adjustto> <adjustfrom>
    logarithmic spectral subtraction (log1)
    feature      name of the new feature
    adjustto     adjust this feature
    adjustfrom   adjust from this feature

spectrum <feature> <source_feature> <win> [-shift shift]
    framebased power spectrum
    feature      name of the new feature
    source_feature name of the source feature
    win          window size
    shift        shift

speechDetect
    speech detector based on gaussian mixture (speechDetect)

split <feature> <source_feature> <from> <to>
    take coefficients <from> .. <to> of source feature
    feature      name of the new feature
    source_feature name of the source feature
    from
    to

thresh <feature> <source_feature> <value> <thresh> <mode>
    set coefficients to a specified value if they exceed a threshold
    feature      name of the new feature
    source_feature name of the source feature
    value
    thresh
    mode

tone <feature> <vector> [-g g] [-sr sr] [-attack attack] [-peak
peak] [-decay decay] [-release release] [-amA ama] [-amF amf] [-fmA
fma] [-fmF fmf] [-sound sound]
    create audio signals
    feature      name of the new feature
    vector       vector with "<length_ms> <pitch_Hz> ..."
    g            gain
    sr           sampling rate in kHz
    attack       attack time in ms
    peak         relative peak
    decay        decay time in ms
    release      release time in ms
    ama          AM amplitude in %%
    amf          AM frequency in Hz
    fma          FM frequency shift in 0.01%%
    fmf          FM frequency in Hz
    sound        sound

traceScatter <feature> <source_feature> <class>
    [-numberofclasses numberofclasses]

```

```

return the trace of the scatter matrix
feature          name of the new feature
source_feature   name of the source feature
class            frame belongs to class
numberofclasses  define number of classes

varss <source_feature>
variance of the speech signal
source_feature   name of the source feature

write
write feature file

writeADC <source_feature> <filename> [-hm hm] [-bm bm] [-from
from] [-to to] [-append append] [-v v]
write ADC file
source_feature   name of the source feature
filename         file to write
hm              header kind or "" for no header
bm              byte mode
from            from
to              to
append          append to file
v               verbosity

xtalk <new_feature> <channelA> <channelB> [-L l] [-shift shift]
[-u u] [-sf sf] [-alpha alpha] [-thr1 thr1] [-thr2 thr2] [-xpow1
xpow1] [-xpow2 xpow2] [-pshift pshift] [-forget forget] [-min min]
[-ac ac] [-adap adap] [-infA infa] [-infF inff]
remove crosstalk with an adaptive filter
new_feature      name of filtered channel A
channelA         channel with xtalk
channelB         channel causing xtalk
l               number of filter weights
shift           shift of the input samples
u               filter convergence factor
sf              adaptiv shift factor
alpha           power estimate factor
thr1            power ratio activating the adaptation
thr2            power ratio deactivating the adaptation
xpow1           xtalk power threshold activating the adaptation
xpow2           xtalk power threshold deactivating the adaptation
pshift          shift of the power window
forget          forget weights with (1.0 - forget) when not adapted
min             take minimum(original,filter) as output, boolean
ac              adaption counter
adap            feature telling when to do adaptation
infa            feature showing when was adapted
inff            feature showing filter coefficients

zero <feature> <source_feature> <win> [-shift shift]
framebased zero crossing rate / sec
feature          name of the new feature
source_feature   name of the source feature
win              window size
shift            shift

```

```

zeroX <feature> <source_feature> <win> [-shift shift] [-mean
mean] [-log log]
frame based zero crossing
feature      name of the new feature
source_feature name of the source feature
win          window size
shift        shift
mean         mean of source feature
log          compute log magnitude

```

### 8.2.2 LDA

This section describes the '*LDA*': *LDA*

**Creation:** `LDA <name> <featureSet> <feature> <dimN>`

```

name      name of the LDA object
featureSet name of the feature set (FeatureSet)
feature    feature name
dimN       input dimension

```

**Configuration:** `lda configure`

```

-blkSize    = 100
-dimN       = 4
-featX      = 0
-featureSet = featureSetISLci
-indexN     = 0
-itemN      = 0
-name       = ldaISLci
-useN       = 1

```

**Methods:** `lda`

```

accu <path> [-factor factor] [-from from] [-to to]
accumulate samples from a path object
path    name of the path object (Path)
factor  training factor
from    from frameX
to      to frameX

add <name>
add a new LDA class to the set
name  name of the class

clear
clear means

delete <item>
remove LDA class from the set
item  name of item in list

index <names*>
returns indices of named LDA classes
names* list of names

loadMeans <filename>
load means from a file
filename

```

```

loadScatter <filename>
    load scatter matrix from a file
    filename filename

map <index> [-class class]
    add/get index to class mapping information
    index index to map
    class name of the class

name <idx*>
    returns names of indexed LDA classes
    idx* list of indices

saveMeans <filename>
    save means to a file
    filename filename for means

saveScatter <filename>
    save scatter matrix to a file
    filename filename

update
    update the scatter matrices

```

**Subobjects:**

```

featureSet (FeatureSet)
list (List)
matrixS (DMatrix)
matrixT (DMatrix)
matrixW (DMatrix)
mean (DVector)

```

## 8.3 Hidden Markov Models (src/hmm)

### 8.3.1 HMM

This section describes the '*HMM*': An '*HMM*' object contains states, transitions and acoustic references

**Creation:** HMM <name> <dictionary> <amodelset>

```

name name of the HMM
dictionary name of the Dictionary object (Dictionary)
amodelset name of the AmodelSet object (AModelSet)

```

**Configuration:** hmm configure

```

-full = 1
-logPen = 1
-rcmSdp = 0
-xwmodels = 1

```

**Methods:** hmm

```

convert <GLat>
    convert GLat into HMM object (hmmConvertGLat)
    GLat (GLat)

```

```

lattice <lattice>
    create full detail HMM from a lattice
    lattice    Verbmobil style lattice

make <words> [-trans trans] [-init init] [-optWord optword]
    [-variants variants]
    create full detail HMM
    words      list of word nodes
    trans      transition model
    init        initial states
    optword     optional word
    variants    pronunciation variants

makeUtterance <text> [-optWord optword] [-variants variants]
    create utterance HMM (hmmMakeUtterance)
    text        transcription
    optword     optional word
    variants    variants 0/1

modMakeUtterance <speaker> <uttID> [-text text] [-modalitySet
    modalityset] [-distribTree distribtree] [-amodelSet amodelset]
    [-senoneSet senoneset] [-textTag texttag] [-frameN framen]
    [-optWord optword] [-variants variants]
    create utterance HMM with modalities (hmmModMakeUtterance)
    speaker      speaker ID
    uttID         utterance ID
    text          text to align
    modalityset   name of ModalitySet
    distribtree   name of DistribTree
    amodelset     name of AmodelSet
    senoneset     name of SenoneSet
    texttag       text tag in uttInfo
    framen        number of frames
    optword       optional word
    variants      variants 0/1

puts
    displays the contents of an HMM

resetModTags
    reset modality Tags for hmm

setModTags <path> <modalitySet>
    set modality Tags for hmm
    path        name of reference path object (Path)
    modalitySet set of modalities (ModalitySet)

```

**Subobjects:**

```

dict      (Dictionary)
phoneGraph (PhoneGraph)
stateGraph (StateGraph)
wordGraph (WordGraph)

```

**8.3.2 Path**

This section describes the '**Path**': A '**Path**' object is filled by a forced alignment function and is used by training functions

**Creation:** Path <name>

name name of the object

**Configuration:** path configure

```
-firstFrame    = 0
-lastFrame     = 0
-name          = pathISLci
-phoneMissPen  = 0.000000
-senoneMissPen = 0.000000
-useN          = 1
-wordMissPen   = 0.000000
```

**Methods:** path

```
:= <path>
copy path objects
path source path object (Path)

alignGlat <hmm> <glat> <pathTmp> [-variants variants] [-modtags
modtags] [-thresh thresh] [-mode mode] [-verbose verbose]
compute forced alignment by Lattice constraint
hmm      Hidden Markov Model (HMM)
glat     IBIS Lattice object (GLat)
pathTmp  Temporary path variable (Path)
variants pronunciation variants
modtags  modality tags
thresh   minimum posteriori threshold
mode     alignment mode, 0=viterbi, 1=fwdbwd
verbose  verbosity

bload <file> [-hmm hmm]
binary load of path items
file filename
hmm HMM object used for mapping (HMM)

bsave <file>
binary save of path items
file filename

durentropy <hmm>
Compute durational entropy of a path
hmm the underlying HMM (HMM)

fwdBwd <hmm> [-eval eval] [-from from] [-to to] [-skipl skipl]
[-skipt skipt] [-topN topn] [-width width] [-label label]
compute a forward backward path for a HMM
hmm name of the HMM object (HMM)
eval feature set eval string
from frame where to start alignment
to frame where to end alignment
skipl leading frames to skip
skipt trailing frames to skip
topn topN pruning
width maximal width of the path
label viterbi follows labels in path
```



```

labels <hmm> [-what what]
    displays the contents of a path as labels
    hmm    the underlying HMM (HMM)
    what   list of what to display

lscore <hmm> [-eval eval] [-from from] [-to to] [-gamma gamma]
    compute the local scores
    hmm    name of the HMM object (HMM)
    eval   feature set eval string
    from   start frame
    to     end frame
    gamma  use gamma values

make <senoneSet> [-eval eval] [-from from] [-to to] [-skipl skipl]
[-skipt skipt]
    creates a path
    senoneSet name of the SenoneSet object (SenoneSet)
    eval      feature set eval string
    from      frame where to start alignment
    to        frame where to end alignment
    skipl     leading frames to skip
    skipt     trailing frames to skip

map <hmm> [-senoneSet senoneset] [-stream stream] [-codebookX
codebookx]
    map senone indices
    hmm          name of the HMM object (HMM)
    senoneset    name of the SenoneSet object (SenoneSet)
    stream       index of stream
    codebookx    want codebook instead of distrib indices (0/1)

phoneMatrix <FMatrix> [-from from] [-to to] [-first first] [-last
last]
    matrix of cum. phone gamma scores
    FMatrix    float matrix (FMatrix)
    from       first frame of matrix
    to         last frame to include in matrix
    first      first phone index to include
    last       last phone index to include

phones <hmm> [-from from] [-to to]
    displays the phones labels
    hmm        name of the HMM object (HMM)
    from       start frame
    to         end frame

pjkdmc <hmm> <sns> <wgths> <pjks> [-from from] [-to to] [-idx
idx] [-zero zero]
    compute pjkdmc for AFs
    hmm        name of the HMM object (HMM)
    sns        name of the SenoneSet object (SenoneSet)
    wgths      name of the wgths FMatrix object (in) (FMatrix)
    pjks       name of the pjks FMatrix object (out) (FMatrix)
    from       start frame
    to         end frame
    idx        use entry in pjks matrix
    zero       train streams with 0 prob

```

```

puts [-from from] [-to to]
    displays the contents of a path
    from    frame where to start output
    to      frame where to end output

reset
    remove all items from a path

senoneMatrix <FMatrix> [-from from] [-to to] [-first first] [-last
last]
    matrix of senone gamma scores
    FMatrix float matrix (FMatrix)
    from    first frame of matrix
    to      last frame to include in matrix
    first   first senone index to include
    last    last senone index to include

stateMatrix <FMatrix> [-from from] [-to to] [-first first] [-last
last]
    matrix of state gamma scores
    FMatrix float matrix (FMatrix)
    from    first frame of matrix
    to      last frame to include in matrix
    first   first state index to include
    last    last state index to include

viterbi <hmm> [-eval eval] [-from from] [-to to] [-skipl skipl]
[-skipt skipt] [-beam beam] [-topN topn] [-label label] [-bpMod
bpmod] [-bpMul bpmul]
    compute a Viterbi path for a given HMM
    hmm    name of the HMM object (HMM)
    eval   feature set eval string
    from   frame where to start alignment
    to     frame where to end alignment
    skipl  leading frames to skip
    skipt  trailing frames to skip
    beam   constant beam size
    topn   topN pruning
    label  viterbi follows labels in path
    bpmod  after every X frames clean up bpTable (<0 never)
    bpmul  go Y * X frames back during cleanup (<1 start at first frame)

wordMatrix <FMatrix> [-from from] [-to to] [-first first] [-last
last]
    matrix of cum. word gamma scores
    FMatrix float matrix (FMatrix)
    from    first frame of matrix
    to      last frame to include in matrix
    first   first word index to include
    last    last word index to include

words <hmm> [-from from] [-to to]
    displays the word/variant labels
    hmm    name of the HMM object (HMM)
    from   start frame
    to     end frame

```

**Subobjects:**

```
itemList(0..0)  ()
```

**8.3.3 PathItem**

This section describes the '*PathItem*': *PathItem*

**Creation:** *PathItem* cannot be created directly.

It is accessible as a sub-object of *PathItemList*!

**Configuration:** pathitem configure

```
-alpha    = 0.000000
-beta     = 0.000000
-gamma    = 0.000000
-lscore   = 0.000000
-phoneX   = -1
-senoneX  = -1
-stateX   = -1
-wordX    = -1
```

**8.3.4 PathItemList**

This section describes the '*PathItemList*': *PathItemList*

**Creation:** *PathItemList* cannot be created directly.

It is accessible as a sub-object of *Path*!

**Configuration:** pathitemlist configure

```
-beam      = 0.000000
-best      = 0.000000
-itemN     = 1
-logScale  = 0.000000
-score     = 0.000000
```

**Methods:** pathitemlist

```
add <n> [-stateX statex] [-senoneX senonex] [-phoneX phonex]
    [-wordX wordx]
    add items to the path list
    n          number of pathItems to add
    statex     state index
    senonex    relative senone index
    phonex     relative phone index
    wordx      relative word index

clear
    remove all items from the path list
```

**Elements:** are of type *PathItem*.

### 8.3.5 PhoneGraph

This section describes the '*PhoneGraph*': *PhoneGraph*

**Creation:** *PhoneGraph* cannot be created directly.

It is accessible as a sub-object of **HMM!**

**Configuration:** *phonegraph* configure

`-modTags = 0`

**Methods:** *phonegraph*

```
build <wordGraph> [-logPen logpen] [-full full] [-xwordmodels
xwordmodels] [-rcmSdp rcmsdp]
create PhoneGraph from WordGraph
wordGraph  word graph (WordGraph)
logpen     log penalties
full       full PGhraph to PGraph transitions
xwordmodels xword models
rcmsdp     right context models for single phone words

make <phones> [-trans trans] [-init init]
create PhoneGraph
phones     list of phone nodes
trans      transition model
init       initial states
```

**Subobjects:**

```
amodel(0..2)    (???)
stateGraph(0..2) (???)
```

### 8.3.6 StateGraph

This section describes the '*StateGraph*': *StateGraph*

**Creation:** *StateGraph* cannot be created directly.

It is accessible as a sub-object of **HMM!**

**Methods:** *stategraph*

```
build <phoneGraph> [-logPen logpen]
create StateGraph from PhoneGraph
phoneGraph  phone graph (PhoneGraph)
logpen     log penalties
```

**Subobjects:**

```
senoneSet  (SenoneSet)
```

### 8.3.7 TextGraph

This section describes the '*TextGraph*': *Text Graph*

**Creation:** *TextGraph* <name>

`name` name of the *TextGraph* object

### 8.3.8 WordGraph

This section describes the '*WordGraph*': *WordGraph*

**Creation:** *WordGraph* cannot be created directly.

It is accessible as a sub-object of *HMM*!

**Methods:** *wordgraph*

```
lattice <lattice>
  create WordGraph from lattice
  lattice Verbmobil style lattice

make <words> [-trans trans] [-init init] [-optWord optword]
[-variants variants]
  create WordGraph
  words      list of word nodes
  trans      transition model
  init       initial states
  optword    optional word
  variants   pronunciation variants
```

**Subobjects:**

```
amodelSet      (AModelSet)
dictionary     (Dictionary)
phoneGraph(0..2) (???)
```

## 8.4 Ibis decoder (src/ibis)

### 8.4.1 BMem

This section describes the '*BMem*': *Block Memory*

**Creation:** *BMem* cannot be created directly.

It is accessible as a sub-object of *GLat*!

**Methods:** *bmem*

```
puts [-v v]
  displays the allocation status
  v    verbose output
```

### 8.4.2 CFG

This section describes the '*CFG*': A '*CFG*' object is a context free grammar.

**Creation:** *CFG* <name> [-cfgSet cfgset] [-lks lks] [-tag tag]

```
name      name of the object
cfgset    context free grammar set (CFGSet)
lks       linguistic knowledge source (LingKS)
tag       tag of grammar
```

**Configuration:** `cfg configure`

```

-allPublic  = 0
-arcN       = 5
-buildMode  = fixed
-built      = 1
-name       = cfg
-nodeN      = 8
-ruleN      = 3
-startover  = -1.000000
-status     = Active
-tag        = cfg
-weight     = 0.000000

```

**Methods:** `cfg`

```

addPath <rule> <line> [-format format]
    adds a path to a CFG
    rule    rule to add path
    line    path to add
    format  grammar format

build [-mode mode] [-overwrite overwrite] [-verbose verbose]
    builds a context free grammar
    mode    score definition mode (null—fixed—equal—default=use stored build mode)
    overwrite  overwrite predefined scores from grammar file
    verbose  verbosity

clear [-free free]
    clears a context free grammar
    free    free items instead of clearing

compress [-level level] [-unfold unfold] [-matchFile matchfile]
[-verbose verbose]
    compress a context free grammar
    level    compress level
    unfold    unfold grammar in new top level rule
    matchfile  file with matching terminals
    verbose    verbosity

fsm <rule> <fsm>
    write a FSM for a given rule (cfgSetWriteFSM)
    rule    rule to print as FSM
    fsm     fsm file

generate <seqN> [-mode mode] [-recurse recurse] [-file file]
    generate terminal sequences (cfgGenerate)
    seqN     number of terminal sequences
    mode     generation mode (random—fixed)
    recurse  follow recursions
    file     file name to write output

load <fileName> [-format format] [-verbose verbose]
    loads a context free grammar
    fileName  file name
    format    grammar format (soup—jsgf—fsm—pfsg—dump)
    verbose    verbosity level

```

```

parse <text> [-verbose verbose]
  parse a sentence
  text      text to path
  verbose   verbosity

parseTree <text> [-svmap svmap] [-format format] [-auxNT auxnt]
  returns the parse tree of a given text string (cfgGetParseTree)
  text      text string to parse
  svmap     use SMap to map SVX<->LVX (SMap)
  format    output format (soup—jsgf)
  auxnt     print also auxilliary NTs

puts [-format format]
  display the contents of CFG
  format    output format (short, long)

reduce <matchFile> [-verbose verbose]
  reduces a context free grammar
  matchFile file with matching terminals
  verbose   verbosity

save <fileName> [-pt pt] [-format format]
  saves a context free grammar
  fileName  file name
  pt        dump also parse tree and rule stack
  format    grammar format

```

**Subobjects:**

```

arc(0..4)   ()
bos         (CFGNode)
lex         (CFGLexicon)
node(0..7)  ()
pt          (CFGParseTree)
root        (CFGRule)
rs          (CFGRuleStack)
rule(0..2)  ()
set         (CFGSet)

```

**8.4.3 CFGArc**

This section describes the '**CFGArc**': A '**CFGArc**' object is an arc between two nodes of a context free grammar.

**Creation:** **CFGArc** cannot be created directly.

It is accessible as a sub-object of **CFG**!

**Configuration:** **cfgarc** configure

```

-lvX      = 0
-score    = 0.000000
-type     = T_Arc

```

**Methods:** **cfgarc**

```

puts [-format format]
  display the contents of CFG arc
  format    output format

```

**Subobjects:**

node (CFGNode)  
rule (CFGRule)

**8.4.4 CFGLexicon**

This section describes the '*CFGLexicon*': A '*CFGLexicon*' object is a lexicon of a Context Free Grammar.

**Creation:** CFGLexicon cannot be created directly.

It is accessible as a sub-object of CFG!

**Configuration:** cfglexicon configure

-NTN = 3  
-TN = 2  
-beginOS = <s>  
-endOS = </s>

**Methods:** cfglexicon

add <word> [-type type]  
adds an item to the CFG lexicon  
word word to add  
type type of arc

index <word> [-type type]  
get lvX of item with given name  
word word  
type type of arc

name <lvX> [-type type]  
get name of item with given lvX  
lvX vocabulary index  
type type of arc

puts [-type type] [-format format]  
display the contents of CFG lexicon  
type type of arc  
format output format

write <filename> [-type type]  
writes a lexicon to file  
filename file to write into  
type type of arc

**Subobjects:**

NT(0..2) ()  
T(0..1) ()

**Elements:** are of type CFGLexiconItem.



### 8.4.5 CFGLexiconItem

This section describes the '*CFGLexiconItem*': A '*CFGLexiconItem*' object is a item of a CFG lexicon.

**Creation:** CFGLexiconItem cannot be created directly.

It is accessible as a sub-object of **CFGLexicon**!

**Configuration:** cfglexiconitem configure

-name = <s>

**Methods:** cfglexiconitem

```
puts [-format format]
      display the contents of CFG lexicon
      format    output format
```

### 8.4.6 CFGNode

This section describes the '*CFGNode*': A '*CFGNode*' object is a node in a context free grammar.

**Creation:** CFGNode cannot be created directly.

It is accessible as a sub-object of **CFG**!

**Configuration:** cfgnode configure

-arcN = 1  
-type = Root\_Node

**Methods:** cfgnode

```
puts [-format format]
      display the contents of CFG node
      format    output format
```

**Subobjects:**

arc(0..0) ()

### 8.4.7 CFGPTNode

This section describes the '*CFGPTNode*': A '*CFGPTNode*' object is a node of a parse tree.

**Creation:** CFGPTNode cannot be created directly.

It is accessible as a sub-object of **CFGParseTree**!

**Configuration:** cfgptnode configure

-bestScore = 0.000000  
-bestX = 0  
-itemN = 1  
-lvX = 0

**Methods:** `cfgptnode`

```
puts [-format format]
    display the contents of parse tree node
    format    output format (SHORT, LONG)
trace [-auxNT auxnt] [-topN topn] [-format format]
    returns parse tree by tracing back node
    auxnt     print also auxilliary NTs
    topn      print the topN parse trees
    format    output format (jsgf, soup)
```

**Subobjects:**

```
child  (???)
next   (???)
parent (???)
```

**Elements:** are of type `CFGPTItem`.

#### 8.4.8 CFGPTItem

This section describes the '*CFGPTItem*': A '*CFGPTItem*' object is a item in a parse tree node.

**Creation:** `CFGPTItem` cannot be created directly.

It is accessible as a sub-object of `CFGPTNode`!

**Configuration:** `cfgptitem` configure

```
-offset    = 0.000000
-parentX   = -1
```

**Methods:** `cfgptitem`

```
puts [-format format]
    display the contents of parse tree item
    format    output format (SHORT, LONG)
```

**Subobjects:**

```
arc      (CFGArc)
rsitem   (CFGRSItem)
```

#### 8.4.9 CFGParseTree

This section describes the '*CFGParseTree*': A '*CFGParseTree*' object is a parse tree.

**Creation:** `CFGParseTree` cannot be created directly.

It is accessible as a sub-object of `CFG`!

**Configuration:** `cfgparsetree` configure

```
-nodeN     = 1
```

**Methods:** `cfgparsetree`

```

puts [-format format]
    display the contents of parse tree
    format    output format (SHORT, LONG)

trace <spass> [-auxNT auxnt] [-topN topn] [-format format]
    returns parse tree by tracing back
    spass     single pass (SPass)
    auxnt     print also auxilliary NTs
    topn      print the topN parse trees
    format    output format (jsgf, soup)

```

**Subobjects:**

```

node(0..0)  ()
root        (CFGPTNode)

```

**8.4.10 CFGRSItem**

This section describes the '**CFGRSItem**': A '**CFGRSItem**' object is an item in the stack of CFG rules.

**Creation:** **CFGRSItem** cannot be created directly.

It is accessible as a sub-object of **CFGRuleStack**!

**Methods:** cfgrsitem

```

puts [-format format]
    display the contents of this item
    format    output format (SHORT, LONG)

```

**Subobjects:**

```

arc        (???)
child      (???)
next       (???)
parent     (???)

```

**8.4.11 CFGRule**

This section describes the '**CFGRule**': A '**CFGRule**' object is a rule of a context free grammar.

**Creation:** **CFGRule** cannot be created directly.

It is accessible as a sub-object of **CFG**!

**Configuration:** cfgrule configure

```

-lvX       = 0
-status    = Active
-type      = Root_Rule
-weight    = 0.000000

```

**Methods:** cfgrule

```

addPath <line> [-format format]
    adds a path to a rule
    line    path to add
    format  grammar format

generate <seqN> [-mode mode] [-recurse recurse] [-file file]
[-append append]
    generates sentences starting with rule
    seqN    number of terminal sequences
    mode    generation mode (random—fixed)
    recurse follow recursions
    file    file to write output
    append  append to file

puts [-format format]
    display the contents of CFG rule
    format  output format (short, long)

```

**Subobjects:**

```

cfg      (CFG)
leaf     (CFGNode)
root     (CFGNode)

```

**8.4.12 CFGRuleStack**

This section describes the '*CFGRuleStack*': A '*CFGRuleStack*' object is a stack of CFG rules.

**Creation:** CFGRuleStack cannot be created directly.

It is accessible as a sub-object of **CFG!**

**Configuration:** cfgrulestack configure

```
-itemN = 1
```

**Methods:** cfgrulestack

```

puts [-format format]
    display the contents of CFG rule stack
    format  output format (SHORT, LONG)

```

**Subobjects:**

```
root (CFGRSItem)
```

**Elements:** are of type **CFGRSItem**.

**8.4.13 CFGSet**

This section describes the '*CFGSet*': A '*CFGSet*' object is a set of context free grammar.

**Creation:** CFGSet cannot be created directly.

It is accessible as a sub-object of **LingKS!**

**Configuration:** `cfgset configure`

```

-built    = 1
-cfgN     = 1
-name     = c

```

**Methods:** `cfgset`

```

activate <tag>
    activates a grammar given by tag (cfgActivate)
    tag    tag of the grammar

build [-mode mode] [-overwrite overwrite] [-verbose verbose]
    builds a context free grammar set
    mode    score definition mode (null—fixed—equal—default=use stored build mode)
    overwrite overwrite predefined scores from grammar file
    verbose verbosity

clear [-free free]
    clears a context free grammar set
    free    free items instead of clearing

compress [-level level] [-unfold unfold] [-matchFile matchfile]
        [-verbose verbose]
    compress a context free grammar set
    level    compress level
    unfold    unfold grammar in new top level rule
    matchfile file with matching terminals
    verbose    verbosity

deactivate <tag>
    deactivates a grammar given by tag (cfgDeactivate)
    tag    tag of the grammar

fsm <rule> <fsm>
    write a FSM for a given rule (cfgSetWriteFSM)
    rule    rule to print as FSM
    fsm     fsm file

generate <seqN> [-mode mode] [-recurse recurse] [-file file]
    generate terminal sequences (cfgSetGenerate)
    seqN    number of terminal sequences
    mode    generation mode (random—fixed)
    recurse follow recursions
    file    file name to write output

load <fileName>
    loads a context free grammar set
    fileName file name

makeDict <baseDict> <dict> [-vocab vocab] [-map map] [-classes
classes] [-fillers fillers]
    makes a dictionary out of a base dictionary limited to the word entries of
    the CFG (cfgMakeDict)
    baseDict base dict for lookup
    dict     resulting new dict
    vocab     resulting search vocab
    map      resulting mapping file
    classes  mapping of classes
    fillers  list of filler words

```

```

parse <text> [-verbose verbose]
    parse a sentence
    text      text to path
    verbose   verbosity

parseTree <text> [-svmap svmap] [-format format] [-auxNT auxnt]
    returns the parse tree of a given text string (cfgGetParseTree)
    text      text string to parse
    svmap     use SMap to map SVX<->LVX (SMap)
    format    output format (soup—jsgf)
    auxnt     print also auxilliary NTs

puts [-format format]
    display the contents of CFG set
    format    output format (short, long)

reduce <matchFile> [-verbose verbose]
    reduces a context free grammar set
    matchFile file with matching terminals
    verbose   verbosity

save <fileName> [-pt pt]
    saves a context free grammar set
    fileName  file name
    pt        dump also parse tree and rule stack

weightRules <rules> [-weight weight]
    applies a weight to the given list of entry rules (cfgSetWeightRules)
    rules     list of rules
    weight    weight applied to all rules

```

**Subobjects:**

```

cfg(0..0)  ()
lex        (CFGLexicon)
list       (List)
pt         (CFGParseTree)
rs         (CFGRuleStack)

```

**Elements:** are of type **CFG**.

**8.4.14 GLat**

This section describes the '**GLat**': *Generic Lattice* (pronounced 'Gillette, everything a man ...')

**Creation:** GLat <name> <SMap> [-spass spass]

```

name      name of the lattice
SMap      Search Vocabulary Mapper (SMap)
spass     Search Pass Decoder (SPass)

```

**Configuration:** glat configure

```

-alphaBeam    = 150.000000
-expert       = 0
-frameShift   = 0.010000
-linkN        = 0
-name         = glatISLci
-nodeN        = 0
-singularLCT  = 0
-status       = INIT
-topN         = 0
-useN         = 1

```

**Methods:** glat

```

addLink <start> <end> [-score score]
    add a link to a lattice
    start    start node
    end      end node
    score    acoustic (delta) score

addNode <word> <start> <end> [-nodeX nodex] [-score score]
    [-alpha alpha] [-beta beta] [-gamma gamma] [-beam beam]
    add a node to a lattice
    word     search word
    start    start frame
    end      end frame
    nodex    don't add, but configure nodeX
    score    acoustic score
    alpha    forward probability
    beta     backward probability
    gamma    a posteriori probability
    beam     beam to re-use existing node

addPath <path>
    add a path to a lattice
    path     the path to add

align <ref> [-ignoreFtag ignoreftag] [-v v]
    align lattice with reference
    ref      sequence of words
    ignoreftag treat filler words as regular words
    v        verbose

clear
    clear lattice

clearAddon
    clear glat addon vars

compress [-iter iter] [-delFil delfil] [-ignoreLCT ignorelct]
    [-adjustTime adjusttime]
    compress lattice
    iter     nr. of iterations
    delfil   delete filler words
    ignorelct ignore linguistic context
    adjusttime adjust start and end points

confidence <ref> [-map map] [-sum sum] [-tie tie] [-scale scale]
    [-norm norm] [-v v]

```

```

compute confidence measure
  ref      sequence of words
  map      Vocabulary Mapper (SVMap)
  sum      sum or max over prob's
  tie      node tying: none, svX, lvX
  scale    mystic scaling factor
  norm     puts real probabilities instead of negative log
  v        puts time information

connect [-map map] [-beam beam] [-factor factor] [-filler filler]
        [-sum sum]
connect matching nodes
  map      Vocabulary Mapper (SVMap)
  beam     lattice beam
  factor   multiplication factor for beam to make beam settings in old scripts compatible with bu
  filler   connect filler words
  sum      sum the probabilities

consensus [-lats lats] [-map map] [-beam beam] [-scale scale]
          [-silScale silscale] [-cutoff cutoff] [-silWord silword] [-intra
          intra] [-inter inter] [-verbose verbose] [-dictWords dictwords]
find consensus in lattice(s)
  lats     extra list of lattices
  map      Vocabulary Mapper (SVMap)
  beam     pruning beam
  scale    score scaling factor
  silscale silence prob scaling factor
  cutoff   cutoff probability for output
  silword  word to use for missed words
  intra    intra-class merging method (max or avg)
  inter    inter-class merging method (max, avg, old, or time)
  verbose  verbosity
  dictwords output dictionary words instead of lm words

createCN <GLat> [-optWord optword] [-factor factor] [-beam beam]
convert lattice into confusion network (createCNet)
  GLat     (GLat)
  optword  optional word
  factor   mystic scaling factor
  beam     posteriori beam

delLink <start> <end>
delete a link from a lattice
  start    start node
  end      end node

delNode <nodeX>
delete a node from a lattice
  nodeX    node index

initAddon <hmm> <pathTmp> [-variants variants] [-modtags modtags]
          [-mode mode] [-verbose verbose]
initialize glat addon vars

```



```

    hmm          Hidden Markov Model (HMM)
    pathTmp      Temporary path variable (Path)
    variants     pronunciation variants
    modtags      modality tags
    mode         alignment mode, 0=viterbi, 1=fwdbwd
    verbose      verbosity

map [-map map]
    map vocabulary words in lattice nodes
    map Vocabulary Mapper (SVMap)

posteriori [-map map] [-scale scale] [-sum sum] [-tie tie]
    [-tieFiller tiefiller] [-mmie mmie]
    compute a-posteriori probabilities
    map Vocabulary Mapper (SVMap)
    scale        mystic scaling factor
    sum           sum or max over prob's
    tie           node tying: none, svX, lvX
    tiefiller     include filler words for clustering
    mmie          use functions for MMIE training

prune [-beam beam] [-factor factor] [-scale scale] [-sum sum] [-nodeN
    noden] [-link link] [-map map]
    prune lattice nodes
    beam         lattice beam
    factor        multiplication factor for beam to make beam settings in old scripts compatible with bugfixes
    scale         scaling factor
    sum           sum the probabilities
    noden         prune to absolute nr. of nodes
    link          prune lattice links
    map          Vocabulary Mapper (SVMap)

purify
    delete non-terminating nodes and links

puts
    displays the contents of a lattice

read <file> [-garbageWord garbagerword]
    read a lattice from file
    file          file to read from
    garbagerword  garbage word

recombine [-map map] [-connect connect] [-verbose verbose]
    recombine lattice nodes with equal LCT
    map           mapper object (SVMap)
    connect       connect nodes
    verbose       verbosity

rescore [-map map] [-conf conf] [-topN topn] [-maxN maxn] [-beam beam]
    [-v v]
    rescore a lattice using svMap
    map           mapper object between svocab and language model (SVMap)
    conf          do posteriori rescoring
    topn          how many hypotheses do we want
    maxn          size of hypotheses stack
    beam          beam threshold to prune hypotheses stack
    v             verbose output (-1 = index only, 0 = name only, 1 = name, pos, and score, 2 = gamma)

```

```

singularLCT <lattice> [-map map] [-verbose verbose]
    expand the lattice with respect to LCT
    lattice    Lattice to process (GLat)
    map        Vocabulary Mapper to use (SVMap)
    verbose    verbosity

splitMW [-map map]
    split nodes which contain multiwords
    map        Vocabulary Mapper (SVMap)

warp [-shift shift] [-factor factor] [-frameN frameN] [-scores
scores]
    warp (scale) time axis
    shift      frame shift after warping
    factor     relative scaling factor
    frameN     number of frames after warping
    scores     scale scores

write <file> [-format format] [-utt utt] [-mode mode] [-map map]
[-from from]
    write a lattice to file
    file       file to write to
    format     file format (njd or slf)
    utt        utterance ID (optional)
    mode       mode
    map        Vocabulary Mapper (for SLF) (SVMap)
    from       Start time of this utterance

writeCTM <speaker> <uttID> [-field field] [-conv conv] [-channel
channel] [-from from] [-file file] [-result result] [-map map]
[-topX topX] [-topN topN] [-maxN maxN] [-beam beam] [-rate rate]
[-warpA warpA] [-conf conf] [-lz lz] [-silsmB silsmB] [-v v]
    write hypo in CTM format (glatWriteHypo)
    speaker    speaker ID
    uttID      utterance ID
    field      conversation field in DB
    conv       conversation or episode
    channel     channel
    from       start point
    file       filename
    result     result from rescoring
    map        SVMap (SVMap)
    topX       topX
    topN       topN
    maxN       maxN
    beam       beam
    rate       rate
    warpA      warpA
    conf       write confidences instead of scores
    lz         lz for confidences
    silsmB     symbol for opt sil
    v          verbose

writeSRT <speaker> <uttID> [-from from] [-file file] [-result
result] [-map map] [-topX topX] [-topN topN] [-maxN maxN] [-beam
beam] [-rate rate] [-warpA warpA] <>

```

```

write hypo in SRT format (glatWriteSRT)
  speaker  speaker ID
  uttID    utterance ID
  from     start point
  file     filename
  result   result from rescoring
  map      SMap (SMap)
  topX     topX
  topN     topN
  maxN     maxN
  beam     beam
  rate     rate
  warpa    warpA

writeTRN <speaker> <uttID> [-from from] [-file file] [-result
result] [-map map] [-topX topX] [-topN topN] [-maxN maxN] [-beam
beam] [-rate rate] [-warpa warpa] [-time time]
write hypo in TRN format (glatWriteTRN)
  speaker  speaker ID
  uttID    utterance ID
  from     start point
  file     filename
  result   result from rescoring
  map      SMap (SMap)
  topX     topX
  topN     topN
  maxN     maxN
  beam     beam
  rate     rate
  warpa    warpA
  time     include time information

```

**Subobjects:**

```

lctMem    (BMem)
linkMem   (BMem)
nodeMem   (BMem)
pathMem   (BMem)
rcmMem    (BMem)

```

**8.4.15 LCMSet**

This section describes the '*LCMSet*': *set of left context models*

**Creation:** LCMSet <name> <PHMMSet>

```

name      name of the LCM set
PHMMSet   phone HMM Set (PHMMSet)

```

**Methods:** lcmset

```

load <filename>
  load a set of left context models
  filename  file to load from

puts
  displays the set of left context models

```

```

save <filename>
    save a set of left context models
    filename  file to load from

```

**Subobjects:**

```

phmmSet  (PHMMSet)

```

**8.4.16 LingKS**

This section describes the '*LingKS*': *Generic Linguistic Knowledge Source*:

**Creation:** LingKS <name> <type>

```

name  name of the linguistic knowledge source
type  Kind of LingKS: NGramLM—PhraseLM—MetaLM—CFG—CFGSet

```

**Configuration:** links configure

```

-dirty      = 1
-gInterpol  = 0
-name       = c
-type       = CFGSet
-useN       = 1
-weight     = 0.000000

```

**Methods:** links

```

index <word>
    return the internal index of an LingKSItem
    word  word you want the index for

load <fileName>
    loads an LM-file (dump and generic files)
    fileName  file name

name <index>
    return the name of an LingKSItem
    index  index of element to print

puts [-format format]
    display the contents of an LingKS
    format  output format (short, long)

save <fileName> [-pt pt]
    create binary dump of LM
    fileName  file name
    pt       dump also parse tree and rule stack

score <word sequence> [-idx idx] [-array array] [-usehistory
usehistory] [-map map] [-startString startstring] [-ignoreS
ignores]
    return the score of a text string
    word sequence  sequence of words
    idx            start index for conditional probabilities
    array          use ScoreArray, implies idx == n-1
    usehistory     use the stored reduced history
    map            use vocab mapper (SVMap)
    startstring    different start string than <s>
    ignores        ignore initial start string in scoring

```

**Subobjects:**

```
CFGSet    (CFGSet)
data      (CFGSet)
```

**8.4.17 LTree**

This section describes the '*LTree*': *Language-Model Look-Ahead object (Lexical tree)*

**Creation:** LTree <name> <SearchTree> [-map map] [-depth depth] [-reduced reduced]

```
name      name of the LTree
SearchTree Search tree (STree)
map       Vocabulary mapper to use for LookAhead only (SVMap)
depth     Maximum depth of LookAhead tree
reduced   Set 'reduce' flag for LookAhead nodes
```

**Configuration: ltree configure**

```
-cacheN      = 100
-cachehits   = 0
-depth       = 5
-expert      = 0
-lctMax      = 100000
-lm(leafs)   = lmISLci
-lm(nodes)   = lmISLci
-map(leafs)   = svmapISLci
-map(nodes)   = svmapISLci
-mode        = array
-name        = ltreeISLci
-ncacheN     = 10
-nocachehits = 0
-pcacheN     = 0
-queries     = 0
-reduced     = 0
-svxHash     = 1
-svxMax      = 100000
-useN        = 2
```

**Methods: ltree**

```
constrain <GLat> [-mode mode] [-type type] [-padX padx]
    create GLat constraint for LTree
    GLat  GLat (or NULL to deactivate constraint)
    mode  flat—weak—exact—time
    type  SVX—LVX
    padx  padding for time based constraints

fillCtx <w1> <w2>
    fills a LTree object with scores for a specific lct
    w1    w1 context
    w2    w2 context

puts
    displays the contents of a LTree
```

**Subobjects:**

```

cachehits      (???)
latlmM         (BMem)
latlmN         (???)
nodecachehits  (???)
queries        (???)

```

**8.4.18 MetaLM**

This section describes the '*MetaLM*': *Meta language model: flexible LM using sub-LMs*.

**Creation:** MetaLM cannot be created directly.

It is accessible as a sub-object of **LingKS**!

**Configuration:** metalm configure

```

-blkSize      = 1000
-elemN        = 2
-itemN        = 1
-lvxCache     = 0
-lvxCacheN    = 0
-mlctMax      = 200000
-mlctN        = 0
-order        = -1

```

**Methods:** metalm

```

LMadd <LingKS> [-weight weight]
    add a language model for usage with metaLM
    LingKS  Linguistic Knowledge Source (LingKS)
    weight  weight

LMindex <names*>
    return the internal index of an atomic LM
    names*  list of names

LMname <idx*>
    return the name of an element (atomic LM)
    idx*    list of indices

add <LM word> [-lksA lksa] [-lksB lksb] [-nameA namea] [-nameB
nameb] [-prob prob]
    add an item (using atomic LMs)
    LM word  LM word in this model
    lksa     Language Model A
    lksb     Language Model B
    namea    corresponding word in LM A
    nameb    corresponding word in LM B
    prob     probability

cover [-lksA lksa] [-lksB lksb] [-prob prob]
    cover an element (read all words from it)
    lksa     index of atomic LM to read words from
    lksb     index of atomic LM to connect with
    prob     probability

```

```

get <word>
    get the parameters for one item
    word    item
isStopWord <word>
    check if a word is a stopword
    word    a word
list
    list the currently available LMs
loadStopList <filename>
    loads a list of stopwords (must be called after LM is loaded)
    filename  path to the stopword list
loadWeights <file>
    load interpolation weights (metaLMloadWeights)
    file      weight file
puts
    display the contents of a MetaLM
scoreFct <function>
    change the score function
    function  score function

```

**Subobjects:**

```

list      (List)
lm(0..1)  (???)

```

**Elements:** are of type **MetaLMItem**.

**8.4.19 MetaLMElem**

This section describes the '**MetaLMElem**': *Meta language model element (sub-LM)*.

**Creation:** **MetaLMElem** cannot be created directly.

It is accessible as a sub-object of **MetaLM**!

**Configuration:** `metalmelem configure`

```

-name      = lmISLci
-weight    = 1.000000

```

**8.4.20 MetaLMItem**

This section describes the '**MetaLMItem**': *Meta language model item*.

**Creation:** **MetaLMItem** cannot be created directly.

It is accessible as a sub-object of **MetaLM**!

**Configuration:** `metalmitem configure`

```

-idxA      = 0
-idxB      = 0
-lmA       = 0
-lmB       = 0
-name      = <UNK>
-prob      = 0.000000

```

### 8.4.21 NGramLM

This section describes the '*NGramLM*': *N-gram Language Model*

**Creation:** NGramLM cannot be created directly.

It is accessible as a sub-object of **LingKS**!

**Configuration:** ngramlm configure

```
-blkSize   = 1000
-hashLCT   = 0
-history   = 0
-itemN     = 3
-log0      = -99.000000
-log0Val   = -5.000000
-order     = 1
-segSize   = 6
```

**Methods:** ngramlm

```
connectSriServer <host> <port> <order> [-vocabFile vocabfile]
```

Connect to a running SRI LM Server

host host that the server runs on

port port that the server runs on

order port that the server runs on

vocabfile file to read vocab from

```
disconnectSriServer
```

disconnect from the SRI LM Server

```
readVocab <filename>
```

fill NGram item list from vocab file, e.g. for SRI LM usage

filename file to read the vocab from

**Subobjects:**

```
backOffA(1..0,0..N) (???)
idA(2..1,0..N)      (???)
linkA(1..0,0..N)    (???)
list                (List)
mgramN(1..1)        (3)
probA(1..1,0..N)    (???)
subslis            (List)
```

**Elements:** are of type **NGramLMItem**.

### 8.4.22 NGramLMItem

This section describes the '*NGramLMItem*': *N-gram Language Model Item*

**Creation:** NGramLMItem cannot be created directly.

It is accessible as a sub-object of **NGramLM**!

**Configuration:** ngramlmitem configure

```
-linkX   = 0
-name    = <UNK>
```



### 8.4.23 PHMMSet

This section describes the '*PHMMSet*': *set of phone hidden markov models*

**Creation:** PHMMSet <name> <TTree> <TTreeRoot> [-useCtx usectx]

name	name of the PHMM set
TTree	topology tree ( <i>Ttree</i> )
TTreeRoot	root name in TTree
usectx	use HMM context table 0/1

**Methods:** phmmset

```
add <states> <trans>
    Add a PHMM by specifying a state graph
    states    list of states
    trans     list of transitions for each state

load <filename>
    load a set of Phone models
    filename  file to load from

puts
    displays the set of Phone models

save <filename>
    save a set of Phone models
    filename  file to save to
```

**Subobjects:**

senoneSet	( <i>SenoneSet</i> )
tmSet	( <i>TmSet</i> )
tree	( <i>Ttree</i> )

### 8.4.24 PhraseLM

This section describes the '*PhraseLM*': *This module takes a LM and adds phrases (aka. multi-words) to it.*

**Creation:** PhraseLM cannot be created directly.

It is accessible as a sub-object of *LingKS*!

**Configuration:** phraselm configure

-baseLM	= lmISLci
-baseN	= 3
-bias	= 0.000000
-history	= 1
-itemN	= 0
-order	= 1

**Methods:** phraselm

```
add <search word> <LM word string> [-prob prob] [-v v]
    add a mapping for a phrase
    search word    search vocabulary word
    LM word string language-model word(s)
    prob           probability
    v              verbose
```

```

base <LingKS>
  define the base LingKS
  LingKS  Base Linguistic Knowledge source (LingKS)

puts
  display the contents of a PhraseLM

readMapFile <file> [-mode mode] [-verbose verbose] [-base base]
  read multi-words from an existing JANUS-Format map file (phraseLM-
  ReadMap)
  file      map-file to read in
  mode      add which entries (base, multi, all)
  verbose   verbose
  base      underlying lm

readSubs [-lks lks]
  read map-table from 'NGramLM' object
  lks       Linguistic Knowledge Source (LingKS)

```

**Subobjects:**

```
list (List)
```

**8.4.25 RCMSet**

This section describes the '**RCMSet**': *set of right context models*

**Creation:** RCMSet <name> <PHMMSet>

```

name      name of the RCM set
PHMMSet   phone HMM Set (PHMMSet)

```

**Methods:** rcmset

```

load <filename>
  load a set of right context models
  filename  file to load from

puts
  displays the set of right context models

save <filename>
  save a set of right context models
  filename  file to load from

```

**Subobjects:**

```
phmmSet (PHMMSet)
```

**8.4.26 SMem**

This section describes the '**SMem**': *Search Memory Manager*

**Creation:** SMem cannot be created directly.

It is accessible as a sub-object of **STree**!

**Configuration:** smem configure

```
-level      = -1
-morphBlk   = 2
-smemFree   = 1
```

**Methods:** smem

```
puts
    displays the contents of a memory manager
```

**Subobjects:**

```
c      (BMem)
f      (BMem)
li     (BMem)
n      (BMem)
ni     (BMem)
p      (BMem)
r      (BMem)
ri     (BMem)
```

**8.4.27 SPass**

This section describes the '*SPass*': *Single Pass Decoder*

**Creation:** SPass <name> <STree> <LTree>

```
name      name of the search pass objects
STree     Search Tree (STree)
LTree     LM Tree (LTree)
```

**Configuration:** spass configure

```
-fastMatch  = 0.000000
-frameX     = 0
-morphBeam  = 80.000000
-morphN     = 8
-name       = spassISLci
-stateBeam  = 130.000000
-transN     = 35
-useN       = 1
-wordBeam   = 90.000000
```

**Methods:** spass

```
fmatch <senoneSet> [-frameN framen] [-factor factor] [-snTag
sntag]
    initialize fast match module
    senoneSet  set of senones (SenoneSet)
    framen     nr. of fast match frames
    factor     weighting factor for fast match models
    sntag      sequence of senone tags
pathSub <val>
    subtract a constant score value from all active paths
    val       value subtracted from all active paths
puts
    puts information
```

```

reinit [-start start]
    reinit decoder after changes in search network
    start frameX for restart

run [-to to] [-init init]
    run decoder using the underlying search network
    to frameN
    init initialize search tree

traceStable [-fromX fromx] [-toX tox] [-bpL bpl] [-v v]
    trace back stable hypothesis
    fromx start frame for trace back
    tox final frame for trace back
    bpl list of backpointers to end trace back
    v verbose output

writeCTM <speaker> <uttID> [-field field] [-conv conv] [-channel
channel] [-from from] [-file file] [-rate rate] [-silmb silmb]
[-warpA warpa]
    write hypo in CTM format (spassWriteHypo)
    speaker speaker ID
    uttID utterance ID
    field conversation field in DB
    conv conversation or episode
    channel channel
    from start point
    file filename
    rate rate
    silmb symbol for opt sil
    warpa warpA

```

#### Subobjects:

```

glat (GLat)
stab (STab)
stree (STree)

```

#### 8.4.28 STab

This section describes the '*STab*': *Backpointer table*

**Creation:** STab cannot be created directly.

It is accessible as a sub-object of **SPass**!

#### Methods: stab

```

puts [-fromX fromx] [-toX tox]
    displays the contents of a backpointer table
    fromx from frame
    tox to frame

trace [-bpIdx bpidx] [-frameIdx frameidx] [-fromX fromx] [-bpL bpl]
[-v v]
    trace back from final state

```

<b>bpidx</b>	final state for trace back
<b>frameidx</b>	final frame for trace back
<b>fromx</b>	trace back until frame fromX
<b>bpl</b>	list of backpointers to end trace back
<b>v</b>	verbose output

### 8.4.29 STree

This section describes the '*STree*': *Search Tree*

**Creation:** STree <name> <SVMMap> <LCMSet> <RCMSet> [-XCMSet xcmset]  
 [-dump dump] [-level level] [-morphBlk morphblk] [-smemFree smemfree]  
 [-v v]

<b>name</b>	name of the search tree
<b>SVMMap</b>	Vocabulary Mapper ( <i>SVMMap</i> )
<b>LCMSet</b>	Set of left context models ( <i>LCMSet</i> )
<b>RCMSet</b>	Set of right context models ( <i>RCMSet</i> )
<b>xcmsset</b>	Set of left and right context models ( <i>XCMSet</i> )
<b>dump</b>	Search Tree dump file
<b>level</b>	tree level for memory management
<b>morphblk</b>	block size for memory management
<b>smemfree</b>	memory management mode
<b>v</b>	verbose tree dump

**Configuration:** stree configure

<b>-compress</b>	= 0
<b>-leafN</b>	= 0
<b>-name</b>	= streeISLci
<b>-nodeN</b>	= 0
<b>-rootN</b>	= 0
<b>-sdpN</b>	= 0
<b>-sipN</b>	= 3
<b>-useN</b>	= 3

**Methods:** stree

```
add <word> [-phmmX phmmx]
    add word to search tree
    word    word
    phmmx   PHMM index

compress [-v v]
    compress search tree, convert tree into generalized graph structure
    v       verbose output

delete <word>
    delete word from search tree
    word    word

dump <filename> [-dumpLM dumplm]
    dump search tree
    filename file to dump
    dumplm   dump lm

puts
    puts information
```

```

trace <word>
    trace search tree
    word    word

```

**Subobjects:**

```

lcmSet      (LCMSet)
rcmSet      (RCMSet)
root(0..-1) (???)
smem        (SMem)
svMap       (SVMap)
xcmSet      (XCMSet)

```

**8.4.30 SVMap**

This section describes the '*SVMap*': *Search Vocabulary Mapper*

**Creation:** SVMap <name> <SVocab> <LingKS>

```

name      name of the SVMap
SVocab    Search Vocabulary (SVocab)
LingKS    Linguistic Knowledge Source (LingKS)

```

**Configuration:** svmap configure

```

-baseLM      = lmISLci
-baseVocab   = svocabISLci
-cacheN      = 0
-calls       = 0
-dirty       = 0
-endString   = </s>
-filPen      = 10.000000
-hits        = 0
-lalz        = 32.000000
-lvN         = 0
-lz          = 32.000000
-name        = svmapISLci
-phonePen    = 0.000000
-startString = <s>
-svN         = 4
-unkString   = <UNK>
-useN        = 5
-wordPen     = 3.000000
-xN          = 0

```

**Methods:** svmap

```

add <search word> <LM word> [-prob prob]
    add or alter map entry
    search word  search vocabulary word
    LM word     language-model word
    prob        'probability' (>0 is higher)

delete <word>
    delete map entry
    word    vocabulary word

```

```

get <search word>
    prints out mapping for vocabulary word
    search word    the search word

index <n>
    show mapping entry
    n    index

load <filename>
    load Mapping from binary file
    filename    file name

map <mapType> [-verbose verbose]
    map SVocab indices to LM indices
    mapType    id, base, class
    verbose    verbosity

mappedto <word>
    list words mapped to a particular word
    word    word to search for, empty string for filler words

match <lm> <words> <text> [-variants variants]
    find best match for word (ngramLMMatch)
    lm        lm to use (LingKS)
    words     words to find
    text      text to use in file
    variants  include variants in search

puts ( <s> 0.000000 ) </s> 0.000000
    prints out map table
    ( s 0.000000
      ) /s 0.000000

read <filename>
    read an LMap file
    filename    file to read from

readMapFile <file> [-verbose verbose] [-lm lm]
    read mappings from an existing JANUS-Format map file (svmapReadMap)
    file        map-file to read in
    verbose     verbosity
    lm          underlying lm

readSubs [-lks lks]
    read map-table from 'NgramLM' object
    lks    Linguistic Knowledge Source (LingKS)

save <filename>
    save Mapping to binary file
    filename    file name

```

**Subobjects:**

```

lingks    (LingKS)
svocab    (SVocab)

```

### 8.4.31 SVocab

This section describes the '*SVocab*': *Search Vocabulary*

**Creation:** SVocab <name> <Dictionary>  
           name          name of the vocabulary  
           Dictionary    Dictionary (*Dictionary*)

**Configuration:** svocab configure  
           -blkSize      = 500  
           -endString    = )  
           -itemN       = 4  
           -name        = svocabISLci  
           -nilString   = IamtheNILword  
           -startString = (  
           -svxMax      = -1  
           -useN        = 2

**Methods:** svocab

```
add <word> [-ftag ftag] [-fTag ftag] [-pron pron]
    add a word to the vocabulary
    word  name
    ftag  filler tag
    ftag  filler tag (too)
    pron  pronunciation

delete <word>
    delete a word from the vocabulary
    word  word to delete

index
    return the internal index of a search vocab word

load <filename>
    load Vocabulary from binary file
    filename  file name

puts
    displays the contents of a search vocabulary

read <filename>
    read Vocabulary from file
    filename  file name

save <filename>
    save Vocabulary to binary file
    filename  file name

sync [-f f] [-v v]
    synchronize vocabulary with dictionary
    f    force update for word candidates
    v    verbose output
```

**Subobjects:**

```
dict  (Dictionary)
list  (List)
```

**Elements:** are of type *SWord*.



### 8.4.32 SWord

This section describes the '*SWord*': *Search Vocabulary Word*

**Creation:** SWord cannot be created directly.

It is accessible as a sub-object of *List*!

**Configuration:** sword configure

```
-dictX  = 0
-fTag   = 1
```

**Methods:** sword

```
puts
    displays the contents of a search vocabulary word
```

### 8.4.33 XCMSet

This section describes the '*XCMSet*': *set of left/right context models*

**Creation:** XCMSet <name> <PHMMSet> [-ignoreRCM ignorercm]

```
name      name of the XCM set
PHMMSet   phone HMM Set (PHMMSet)
ignorercm ignore right context dependency
```

**Methods:** xcmset

```
load <filename>
    load a set of left/right context models
    filename  file to load from

puts
    displays the set of left/right context models

save <filename>
    save a set of left/right context models
    filename  file to load from
```

**Subobjects:**

```
phmmSet  (PHMMSet)
```

## 8.5 Acoustic models (src/models)

### 8.5.1 AModel

This section describes the '*AModel*': *acoustic model*

**Creation:** AModel cannot be created directly.

It is accessible as a sub-object of *PhoneGraph*!

**Configuration:** amodel configure

```
-durX  = -1
-topoX = 0
```

**Methods:** amodel

**puts**  
displays the contents of an amodel

**8.5.2 AModelSet**

This section describes the '*AModelSet*': *set of acoustic models*

**Creation:** AModelSet <name> <TTree> <TTreeRoot> [-durationTree durationtree] [-durationRoot durationroot] [-contextCache contextcache]

<b>name</b>	name of the amodel set
<b>TTree</b>	topology tree ( <b>Tree</b> )
<b>TTreeRoot</b>	root name in TTree
<b>durationtree</b>	duration tree ( <b>Tree</b> )
<b>durationroot</b>	duration tree root
<b>contextcache</b>	1 = create context cache

**Configuration:** amodelset configure

<b>-durRoot</b>	= -1
<b>-durTree</b>	= (null)
<b>-name</b>	= amodelSetISLci
<b>-senoneSet</b>	= senoneSetISLci
<b>-tmSet</b>	= tmSetISLci
<b>-tree</b>	= ttreesISLci
<b>-treeRoot</b>	= 0
<b>-useN</b>	= 7

**Methods:** amodelset

**add** <senones> <trans>  
add a state graph to a set  
**senones** list of senones  
**trans** list of transition models

**get** <tagged phones> <leftContext> <rightContext>  
find acoustic model given a phonetic context  
**tagged phones** list of tagged phones  
**leftContext** left context  
**rightContext** right context

**puts**  
displays the contents of an amodel set

**reset**  
remove all amodels from the set

**scale** <scale>  
scale transition penalties  
**scale** scale factor

**skip** <skip>  
switch to 3state skip topologies  
**skip** 0/1 use skip architecture

**Subobjects:**

```

senoneSet  (SenoneSet)
tmSet      (TmSet)
tree       (Tree)

```

**8.5.3 BBINode**

This section describes the '*BBINode*': *node in a BBI search tree*

**Creation:** BBINode cannot be created directly.

It is accessible as a sub-object of **BBITree**!

**Configuration:** bbinode configure

```

-h    = 0.000000
-k    = 0

```

**8.5.4 Cbcfg**

This section describes the '*Cbcfg*': *configuration of a codebook*

**Creation:** Cbcfg <name>

name name of the object

**Configuration:** cbcfg configure

```

-E            = 1.000000
-H            = 0.800000
-I            = 0.000000
-accu         = y
-bbiOn        = 1
-beta         = -1.000000
-expT         = -100.000000
-mergeThresh  = 10.000000
-method       = m
-minCv        = 6.000000
-minRv        = 1.000000
-momentum     = 0.000000
-momentumCv   = -1.000000
-name         = cbcfg
-rdimN        = 0
-rhoGlob      = 1.000000
-splitStep    = 0.010000
-topN         = 0
-update       = y
-useN         = 3
-weight       = 1.000000

```

**8.5.5 Codebook**

This section describes the '*Codebook*': *Codebook*

**Creation:** Codebook cannot be created directly.

It is accessible as a sub-object of **CodebookSet**!

**Configuration: codebook configure**

```

-bbiX      = -1
-bbiY      = 0
-cfg       = default
-count(0..3) = 0.000000
-dimN      = 4
-featX     = 0
-featY     = -1
-name      = SIL
-refMax    = 0
-refN      = 4
-type      = DIAGONAL
-useN      = 2

```

**Methods: codebook**

```

:= <source>
    copy the parameters of one codebook into another
    source  name of the source codebook (Codebook)

accuMatrix <fmatrix>
    accumulate data from fmatrix
    fmatrix

add <codebook> <count> <codebook> <count>
    add two one-dimensional codebooks
    codebook  first codebook (Codebook)
    count     count for first codebook
    codebook  second codebook (Codebook)
    count     count for second codebook

alloc [-compress compress] [-mode mode]
    allocate the codebook
    compress  compressed codebook
    mode      mode for compressed codebooks (ask Hagen at soltau@ira.uka.de)

bhattacharyaMatrix <codebook> <fmatrix>
    compute pairwise bhattacharya distances of codebook components; store
    result in FMatrix
    codebook  Codebook to calculate the distance to (Codebook)
    fmatrix   FMatrix to store the distances in (FMatrix)

covarShift <shift>
    add a constant value to all variances
    shift     shift value to be added

covarTie <indexList>
    tie covariance matrices together
    indexList indices of matrices to be tied

covarTie?
    show which covariance matrices are tied together

covarType <n> <type>
    modify the type of covariance matrix
    n         index of the reference vector
    type      desired type of the covariance matrix

```

```

covarUntie <indexList>
    untie covariance matrices
    indexList indices of matrices to get their own copy
createAccu [-subN subn]
    create an accumulator
    subn number of subaccumulators
createMap <n>
    create a codebook map
    n length of map
extMhnMatrix <codebook> <fmatrix>
    compute pairwise extended Mahanalobis distances of codebook compo-
    nents; store result in FMatrix
    codebook Codebook to calculate the distance to (Codebook)
    fmatrix FMatrix to store the distances in (FMatrix)
freeAccu
    remove an accumulator
freeMap
    remove a codebook map
invert [-updateDet updatedet]
    invert covariance matrix to get original one
    updatedet update log(det(covar)) before inversion
klmatrix <codebook> <fmatrix>
    compute pairwise KL-distances of codebook components; store result in
    FMatrix
    codebook Codebook to calculate the distance to (Codebook)
    fmatrix FMatrix to store the distances in (FMatrix)
lin2log
    transformation into log domain
log2lin
    transformation into linear domain
noise <codebook> [-s s] [-n n]
    adding of a noise cb (lin domain!)
    codebook noise codebook (Codebook)
    s weight for speech
    n weight for noise
set <matrix> [-refX refx] [-dimX dimx]
    set reference vectors in the codebook
    matrix matrix of reference vectors
    refx index of the reference vector
    dimx index of the dimension
split [-max max] [-beam beam]
    split codebook (create map)
    max splitting beam
    beam max. number of splits
splitList
    codebook split candidates

```

```

stepdiag <modulo> [-mode mode]
    create step-diagonal covariances
    modulo    Modulo
    mode      0=dimensions, 1=sorted individually, 2=sorted by average cov
update
    update one codebook

```

**Subobjects:**

```

accu      (CodebookAccu)
cfg        (Cbcfg)
cov(0..3) (???)
map        (CodebookMap)
mat        (FMatrix)
ref(0..3)  (???)

```

**8.5.6 CodebookAccu**

This section describes the '*CodebookAccu*': a single codebook's accumulator

**Creation:** CodebookAccu cannot be created directly.

It is accessible as a sub-object of **Codebook!**

**Configuration:** codebookaccu configure

```

-count      = 0.0000e+00
-distortion  = 0.000000
-maxDistance = 0.000000
-minDistance = 0.000000
-score      = 0.000000
-subN       = 1

```

**Methods:** codebookaccu

```

*= <factor>
    multiplies an accumulator with a factor
    factor    multiplication factor
+= <source> [-factor factor] [-refX refx]
    adds one accumulator to another
    source    source accumulator (CodebookAccu)
    factor    scaling factor
    refx      add accu to reference refX
:= <source>
    copies one accumulator into another
    source    source accumulator (CodebookAccu)
clear [-subX subx]
    reset a single codebook's accumulator to zero
    subx      sub-accumulator, -1 to clear all
set <matrix> [-subX subx] [-refX refx] [-dimX dimx]
    set reference vectors in the accumulator
    matrix    matrix of reference vectors
    subx      index of the subaccu
    refx      index of the reference vector
    dimx      index of the dimension

```

```
subspace
    define the accumulator subsampling
```

**Subobjects:**

```
cov(0..0,0..3)  ()
mat(0..0)       (???)
priorCV         (???)
priorRV         (???)
```

**8.5.7 CodebookMap**

This section describes the '*CodebookMap*': *CodebookMap*

**Creation:** *CodebookMap* cannot be created directly.

It is accessible as a sub-object of *Codebook*!

**Configuration:** *codebookmap* *configure*

```
-itemN    = 1
```

**Methods:** *codebookmap*

```
add <n> [-from from] [-to to]
    add items to the map
    n      number of pathItems to add
    from   map from index
    to     map to index

clear
    remove all items from the map
```

**Elements:** are of type *CodebookMapItem*.

**8.5.8 CodebookMapItem**

This section describes the '*CodebookMapItem*': *CodebookMapItem*

**Creation:** *CodebookMapItem* cannot be created directly.

It is accessible as a sub-object of *CodebookMap*!

**Configuration:** *codebookmapitem* *configure*

```
-alpha    = 1.000000
-alpha0   = 0.000000
-beta     = 1.000000
-beta0    = 0.000000
-from     = -1
-subX     = -1
-to       = -1
```

### 8.5.9 CodebookSet

This section describes the '*CodebookSet*': *Set of codebooks*

**Creation:** `CodebookSet <name> <featureset> [-bmem bmem]`

<code>name</code>	name of the codebook set
<code>featureset</code>	name of the feature set ( <b>FeatureSet</b> )
<code>bmem</code>	bmem option

**Configuration:** `codebookset configure`

<code>-blkSize</code>	= 1000
<code>-commentChar</code>	= ;
<code>-defaultBbiOn</code>	= 1
<code>-defaultExpT</code>	= 0
<code>-defaultRdimN</code>	= 0
<code>-defaultTopN</code>	= 0
<code>-featureSet</code>	= featureSetISLci
<code>-itemN</code>	= 1
<code>-name</code>	= codebookSetISLci
<code>-offset</code>	= 0.000000
<code>-rewriteSet</code>	= (null)
<code>-scaleCV</code>	= 1.000000
<code>-scaleRV</code>	= 1.000000
<code>-subX</code>	= -1
<code>-swc-hits</code>	= 0
<code>-swc-queries</code>	= 0
<code>-swc-width</code>	= 8
<code>-useN</code>	= 3

**Methods:** `codebookset`

```
add <name> <feat> <refN> <dimN> <type>
    add a new codebook to the set
    name  name of the codebook
    feat  name of the feature space
    refN  number of reference vectors
    dimN  dimension of feature space
    type  type of covariance matrix NO,RADIAL,DIAGONAL,FULL

addBBI <codebook> <bbiTree>
    add new (or link to existing) BBI tree
    codebook  name of codebook
    bbiTree   name of BBI tree

clearAccus [-subX subx]
    clear accumulators for all codebooks
    subx     sub-accumulator, -1 to clear all

compress [-underflowRV underflowrv] [-overflowRV overflowrv]
[-overflowCV overflowcv] [-classRV classrv] [-classCV classcv]
[-compressCV compresscv] [-resortFeat resortfeat] [-deallocCB
dealloccb] [-trainMode trainmode]
    compress means/covars to 8bit values
```



```

    underflowrv    underflow threshold
    overflowrv     overflow threshold
    overflowcv     overflow threshold
    classrv        number of quantization classes (max 255)
    classcv        number of quantization classes (max 255)
    compresscv     covariance compression mode 1,2
    resortfeat     resort feature dimensions
    dealloccb      deallocate original codebooks
    trainmode      store compressed values in original codebooks

createAccus [-subN subn]
    creates accumulators for all codebooks
    subn    number of subaccumulators

createMaps <n>
    creates maps for all codebooks
    n      size of maps

delete <item>
    remove codebook from the set
    item   name of item in list

freeAccus
    removes accumulators of all codebooks

freeBBI
    free all BBI trees

freeMaps
    removes maps of all codebooks

index <names*>
    returns indices of named codebooks
    names*  list of names

load <filename>
    load codebook weights
    filename file to read from

loadAccus <filename> [-factor factor]
    loads codebook accumulators from a file
    filename file to read from
    factor   multiplier before adding

loadBBI <filename>
    load BBI tree parameters
    filename name of param file

makeBBI [-depth depth] [-gamma gamma] [-verbose verbose]
    make new BBI trees
    depth   depth of trees
    gamma   Gaussian box threshold
    verbose verbose level

map
    map all codebooks to new codebooks

name <idx*>
    returns names of indexed codebooks
    idx*   list of indices

```

```

pruneBBI <levelN>
    prune BBI trees
    levelN    number of levels

read <filename>
    read codebook definitions from file
    filename  file to read from

readBBI <filename>
    read BBI description file
    filename  name of desc file

save <filename> [-mode mode]
    save codebook weights
    filename  file to write to
    mode      compression mode (-1,1)

saveAccus <filename>
    saves codebook accumulators into a file
    filename  file to write

saveBBI <filename>
    save BBI tree parameters
    filename  name of param file

set [-topN topn] [-rdimN rdimn] [-bbiOn bbion] [-expT expt]
    set and propagate defaultTopN or defaultRdimN
    topn      set topN scoring
    rdimn     reduce dimensionality
    bbion     enable/disable BBI scoring
    expt      threshold for evaluating exp()

split [-beam beam] [-max max]
    split all codebooks
    beam      splitting beam
    max       max. number of splits

update
    update all codebooks

write <filename>
    write codebook definitions to file
    filename  file to write to

```

**Subobjects:**

```

featureSet  (FeatureSet)
list        (List)
swCache     (FMatrix)
swIndex     (IMatrix)

```

**Elements:** are of type **Codebook**.

**8.5.10 DictWord**

This section describes the '*DictWord*': *Word with tagged phone transcription*

**Creation:** DictWord cannot be created directly.

It is accessible as a sub-object of **Dictionary!**

**Configuration:** dictword configure

```
-itemN      = 1
-name       = $
-variant    = -1
```

### 8.5.11 Dictionary

This section describes the '**Dictionary**': *Set of words*

**Creation:** Dictionary <name> <Phones> <Tags>

```
name      name of the dictionary
Phones    phones (Phones)
Tags      tags (Tags)
```

**Configuration:** dictionary configure

```
-blkSize      = 5000
-commentChar  = ;
-itemN        = 3
-phones       = PHONES
-tags         = tagsISLci
-useN         = 4
-wbTags       = WB
-weTags       = WB
-xwTags       =
```

**Methods:** dictionary

```
add <name> <pronunciation>
    add a new word to the set
    name      name (spelling) of the word
    pronunciation  pronunciation of the word

delete <item>
    remove word from the set
    item      name of item in list

index <names*>
    return the internal index of a word
    names*    list of names

load <filename>
    load a dictionary from a binary file
    filename  file to read from

name <idx*>
    return the spelled word given the index
    idx*      list of indices

puts
    display the contents of a dictionary

read <filename>
    reads a dictionary file
    filename  file to read from
```

```

save <filename>
    save a dictionary file into a binary file
    filename  file to write into
write <filename> [-format format]
    writes a dictionary file
    filename  file to write to
    format    file format (janus or htk)

```

**Subobjects:**

```

list      (List)
phones    (Phones)
tags      (Phones)

```

**Elements:** are of type **DictWord**.

**8.5.12 Distrib**

This section describes the '**Distrib**': *A single distribution*

**Creation:** **Distrib** cannot be created directly.

It is accessible as a sub-object of **DistribSet**!

**Configuration:** **distrib** configure

```

-cbX      = 0
-cfg      = default
-count    = 0.000000
-name     = SIL-b
-val      = 2.5000e-01 2.5000e-01 2.5000e-01 2.5000e-01
-valN     = 4

```

**Methods:** **distrib**

```

:= <source>
    copies distribution weights
    source  name of the source distribution (Distrib)
createAccu [-subN subn]
    create a single distribution's accumulator
    subn    number of subaccumulators
freeAccu
    remove a single distribution's accumulator

```

**Subobjects:**

```

cfg      (Dscfg)

```

**8.5.13 DistribAccu**

This section describes the '**DistribAccu**': *a single distribution's accumulator*

**Creation:** **DistribAccu** cannot be created directly.

It is accessible as a sub-object of **Distrib**!

**Configuration:** `distribaccu configure`

```
-count    = 4.0000e-06
-subN     = 1
```

**Methods:** `distribaccu`

```
*= <factor>
    multiplies an accumulator with a factor
    factor    multiplication factor

+= <source> [-factor factor] [-valX valx]
    adds one accumulator to another
    source    source accumulator (DistribAccu)
    factor    scaling factor
    valx      add accu to valX component

:= <source>
    copies one accumulator into another
    source    source accumulator (DistribAccu)

>= <shift>
    increase an accumulator's counts by a number
    shift     value by which to increment every count

clear [-subX subx]
    reset a single distribution's accumulator to zero
    subx      sub-accumulator, -1 to clear all
```

**8.5.14** `DistribSet`

This section describes the '*DistribSet*': *Set of distributions*

**Creation:** `DistribSet <name> <CodebookSet> [-bmem bmem]`

```
name          name of the distrib set
CodebookSet   set of codebooks (CodebookSet)
bmem          use block memory management
```

**Configuration:** `distribset configure`

```
-blkSize      = 5000
-codebookSet   = codebookSetISLci
-distance     = e
-dummyName    = dummyDs
-dummyStart   = -1
-itemN        = 3
-minCount     = 0.000000
-name         = distribSetISLci
-normDistance = 0
-rewriteSet   = (null)
-stateTable   = (null)
-subX         = -1
-useN         = 2
```

**Methods:** `distribset`

```

accuFrame <distrib> <frame> [-factor factor] [-toframe toframe]
    accumulates sufficient statistic from frame
    distrib    name of the distribution
    frame      index of the requested frame
    factor     training factor
    toframe    first frame not to train

accuPath <path> [-factor factor]
    accumulates sufficient statistic from path
    path       name of the path object (Path)
    factor     training factor

add <name> <codebook>
    add a new distribution to the set
    name       name of the distribution
    codebook   name of the codebook

clearAccus [-subX subx]
    clears accumulators for all distributions
    subx       sub-accumulator, -1 to clear all

createAccus [-subN subn]
    creates accumulators for all distributions
    subn       number of subaccumulators

createLh <lh>
    fill the lh fields of the accumulators
    lh         source likelihood accumulator (Lh)

delete <item>
    remove distribution from the set
    item       name of item in list

dist <ModelArray P> <ModelArray Q> <ModelArray R>
    measure distance between distributions
    ModelArray P  model array (ModelArray)
    ModelArray Q  model array (ModelArray)
    ModelArray R  model array (ModelArray)

freeAccus
    frees accumulators for all distributions

index <names*>
    returns indices of named distributions
    names*       list of names

kldist <distribution 1> <distribution 2>
    computes the symmetrized Kullback-Leibler distance of two distribs
    distribution 1  name of first distribution (Distrib)
    distribution 2  name of second distribution (Distrib)

load <filename>
    loads distribution weights from a file
    filename       file to read from

loadAccus <filename> [-factor factor]
    loads distribution accumulators from a file
    filename       file to read from
    factor         multiplicator before adding

```

```

map
    map all distributions

merge
    merge distributions and codebooks

multiVar <Distrib> [-samples samples] [-first first] [-last last]
        [-mode mode] [-verbosity verbosity]
    perform Multivar algorithm on codebook/ distribution given samples
        Distrib      Distribution
        samples      Number of random samples drawn (-1 for linear mode)
        first        First sample
        last          Last sample
        mode          Univar, Multivar, TiedRho, TiedSelf mode?
        verbosity     Verbosity of output

multiVarInit <Distrib> [-seed seed] [-rhoRel rhorel]
    initialize Multivar algorithm
        Distrib      Distribution
        seed          seed for random number generator
        rhorel        initialize univariate distribution

name <idx*>
    returns names of indexed distributions
        idx*         list of indices

read <filename>
    reads a distribution description file
        filename      file to read from

save <filename>
    saves distribution weights into a file
        filename      file to read from

saveAccus <filename>
    saves distribution accumulators into a file
        filename      file to write

score <distrib> <frame>
    computes the score of a mixture distribution
        distrib       name of the distribution
        frame         index of the requested frame

scoreFeature <distrib> <matrix> [-row row] [-from from] [-to to]
        [-offset offset] [-factor factor] [-anti anti]
    store contribution of a feature in a matrix
        distrib       distribution name
        matrix         FMatrix
        row            row
        from           start frame
        to             end frame
        offset         offset
        factor         factor for this contribution
        anti           name of the anti-distribution

scoreMatrix <distrib> <matrix> [-from from] [-to to]
    store contribution of distrib in a matrix

```

```

    distrib  name of the distribution
    matrix   FMatrix
    from     start frame
    to       end frame (needed!)
scoreNBest  <n> <frame>
    computes the n-best mixtures mixtures
    n       length of list
    frame   index of the requested frame
split
    split distributions and codebooks
update
    update distributions and codebooks
write <filename>
    writes a distribution description file
    filename file to read from

```

**Subobjects:**

```

codebookSet  (CodebookSet)
distrib(0..2) ()
list         (List)
rewriteSet   (???)

```

**Elements:** are of type **Distrib**.

**8.5.15 DistribStream**

This section describes the '*DistribStream*': *Distribution based stream*

**Creation:** `DistribStream <name> <DistribSet> <Tree>`

```

name          name of the distrib stream
DistribSet    set of distributions (DistribSet)
Tree          distribution tree (Tree)

```

**Configuration:** `distribstream configure`

```

-distribSet    = distribSetISLci
-name         = distribStreamISLci
-tree         = distribTreeISLci
-useN         = 1

```

**Methods:** `distribstream`

```

accu <distrib> <frame> [-factor factor] [-toframe toframe]
    accumulate sufficient statistic
    distrib  name of the distribution
    frame   index of the requested frame
    factor  training factor
    toframe first frame not to train
get  <node> <tagged phones> <leftContext> <rightContext>
    [-node node]
    returns a distribution given a tagged phone sequence
    node          root node
    tagged phones list of tagged phones
    leftContext   left context
    rightContext  right context
    node         want node name (0/1)

```



```

index  <names*>
        returns indices of named distributions
        names*   list of names

name   <idx*>
        returns names of indexed distributions
        idx*     list of indices

score  <distrib> <frame>
        compute distribution score
        distrib  name of the distribution
        frame    index of the requested frame

update
        update distributions/codebook

```

**Subobjects:**

```

distribSet  (DistribSet)
list        (List)
tree        (Tree)

```

**Elements:** are of type **Distrib**.

**8.5.16 Dscfg**

This section describes the '**Dscfg**': *configuration of a distribution*

**Creation:** Dscfg <name>

```

name  name of the object

```

**Configuration:** dscfg configure

```

-accu      = y
-floor     = 0.000001
-method    = m
-minCount  = 1.000000
-momentum  = 0.000000
-name      = dscfg
-shift     = 0.000000
-update    = y
-useN      = 5

```

**8.5.17 DurationSet**

This section describes the '**DurationSet**': A '**DurationSet**' object is an array of explicit duration models.

**Creation:** DurationSet <name> <map>

```

name  name of the object
map   duration to histogram mapping

```

**Configuration:** durationset configure

```

-blkSize      = 5000
-commentChar  = ;
-floor        = 0.000000
-itemN        = 0
-map          = 1
-minCount     = 5.000000
-momentum     = 0.000000
-useN         = 1

```

#### Methods: durationset

```

accu <path> <hmm> [-factor factor]
    accumulate training data
    path      name of the path object (Path)
    hmm       name of the HMM object (HMM)
    factor    training factor

add <durModel> <probs> [-count count]
    add new duration model(s) to a duration set
    durModel  name of duration models
    probs     array of probabilities
    count     total occurrence count

clearAccus
    clear training data accumulators

createAccus
    allocate training data accumulators

delete <durModel*>
    delete duration model(s) from a duration set
    durModel* list of duration models

dist <ModelArray P> <ModelArray Q> <ModelArray R>
    measure distance between duration models
    ModelArray P  model array (ModelArray)
    ModelArray Q  model array (ModelArray)
    ModelArray R  model array (ModelArray)

freeAccus
    allocate training data accumulators

index <names*>
    return index of named duration model(s)
    names*  list of names

loadAccus <filename>
    load training data accumulators from file
    filename file to write

name <idx*>
    return the name of indexed duration model(s)
    idx*    list of indices

prob <durationModel> <durationFrameN>
    return the duration probability for a named duration model
    durationModel  name of duration model
    durationFrameN duration in frames

```

```

puts
    displays the contents of a duration set
putsAccu <durationModel*>
    display training data accumulator
    durationModel*  duration models
read <filename>
    read a duration set from a file
    filename  name of DurationSet file
saveAccus <filename>
    save training data accumulators to file
    filename  file to write
scale <factor>
    multiply all log-probs with given value
    factor    multiplicative factor for log-probs
update
    update the duration probabilities
write <filename>
    write a duration set into a file
    filename  name of DurationSet file

```

**Subobjects:**

```
list  (List)
```

**8.5.18 Labelbox**

This section describes the '[Labelbox](#)': *Labelbox*

**Creation:** Labelbox <name>

```
name  name of the object
```

**Methods:** labelbox

```

add <name>
    add a new path to the Labelbox
    name  name of the Path
clear
    clear Labelbox
delete <item>
    remove a path from the Labelbox
    item  name of item in list
load <file>
    load Labelbox
    file  filename
puts
    puts Labelbox
save <file>
    save Labelbox
    file  filename

```

**Subobjects:**

```
list  (List)
```

### 8.5.19 Lh

This section describes the '*Lh*': a *codebook-likelihoods accumulator*

**Creation:** Lh <name>

name name of the object

**Methods:** lh

```
clear
    clear likelihoods
like <probs>
    compute likelihood
    probs array of mixture weights
load <file>
    load likelihoods
    file feature name
```

### 8.5.20 MLAdapt

This section describes the '*MLAdapt*': *Maximum Likelihood Adaptation*

**Creation:** MLAdapt <name> <CodebookSet> [-mode mode] [-bmem bmem]  
[-thread thread]

```
name          name of MLAdapt object
CodebookSet   name of the codebook set (CodebookSet)
mode          0=mean 1=diagonal 2=full
bmem          use block memory management for SAT
thread        use multiple threads for MLLR/SAT
```

**Configuration:** mladapt configure

```
-dimN    = 0
-featX   = -1
-itemN   = 0
-name    = mlAdaptISLci
-useN    = 0
```

**Methods:** mladapt

```
accuSAT [-file file]
    SAT accu means
    file SAT accu file
accuTree
    accu MLAdapt information for optimizing tree
add <Codebook>
    add items to the adaptation
    Codebook codebook
clear
    remove all items from the adaptation list
clearSAT
    clear SAT accu
```

```

clearTree
    clear MLAdapt tree accus

cluster [-depth depth] [-maxIter maxiter] [-tempS temps] [-tempF
tempf]
    cluster items in the list
    depth    maximum depth of tree
    maxiter  number of iterations
    temps    start temperature (0=k-means)
    tempf    temperature decay

load <filename>
    load MLAdapt tree/accus from file
    filename  file to save accumulators

loadSAT <filename>
    load SAT accus from file
    filename  file accumulators

optTree
    optimize tree based on accus

restore [-covar covar]
    restore means from MLAdapt
    covar    restore (diagonal) covariances

restoreAccu [-covar covar]
    restore accumulators from MLAdapt
    covar    restore (diagonal) covariances

save <filename>
    save MLAdapt tree/accus to file
    filename  file to save accumulators

saveSAT <filename>
    save SAT accus to file
    filename  file to save accumulators

store [-covar covar]
    save current means to MLAdapt
    covar    store (diagonal) covariances

storeAccu [-covar covar]
    save accumulators of the gaussians to MLAdapt
    covar    store (diagonal) covariances

transform <matrixX>
    print transformation matrix
    matrixX  print which transformation matrix

update [-minCount mincount]
    update codebook means
    mincount  minimal splitting count

updatesAT [-file file] [-updateMean updatemean] [-updateCV
updatecv]
    SAT update codebook means
    file      SAT accu file
    updatemean  update means
    updatecv   update covariances

```

```

variance [-minCount mincount] [-minAdapt minadapt]
    update codebook variances
    mincount    minimal splitting count
    minadapt    minimal total count for adaptation

```

### 8.5.21 ModelArray

This section describes the '*ModelArray*': *Array of models*.

**Creation:** ModelArray <name> <ModelSet>

```

name        name of the object
ModelSet    model set

```

**Configuration:** modelarray configure

```
-itemN      = 0
```

**Methods:** modelarray

```

add <model> <count>
    add another model to the array
    model    name of the model
    count    count

clear
    remove all entries from the array

puts
    print model array

```

### 8.5.22 Modality

This section describes the '*Modality*': A '*Modality*' object answers a question about the modality of a recording.

**Creation:** Modality <name> <updateProc> <tagName> [-mode mode] [-limit limit]

```

name        name of the modality
updateProc  TCL modality update proc
tagName     Name for tag
mode        update mode (ALL, GIVEN, RUNON, NOT)
limit       update only if intervall greater limit

```

**Configuration:** modality configure

```

-endFrameX   = -1
-name        = modality
-startFrameX = -1
-tagName     = WB
-timeInfo    = 0
-updateLimit = -1
-updateMode  = GIVEN
-updateProc  = putsInfo
-useN        = 1
-yesN        = 0

```

**Methods:** modality

```

answer <startFrameX> <endFrameX>
    get anser for modality
        startFrameX    start frame for answer
        endFrameX      end frame for answer
majorityAnswer [-startFrameX startframex] [-endFrameX endframex]
    get the majority of the answers
        startframex    start frame for answer
        endframex      end frame for answer
puts
    display the contents of the modality
reset
    reset modality
update <startFrameX> <endFrameX>
    update modality
        startFrameX    start frame for update
        endFrameX      end frame for update

```

### 8.5.23 ModalitySet

This section describes the '*ModalitySet*': A '*ModalitySet*' object is a set of modalities.

**Creation:** ModalitySet <name> <tags> [-addTags addtags]

```

name      name of the modality set
tags      tags object (Tags)
addtags   add tag names to tags-object

```

**Configuration:** modalityset configure

```

-addTags      = 0
-dummyStart   = -1
-endFrameX    = -1
-itemN        = 0
-name         = modalitySetISLci
-startFrameX  = -1
-tags         = tagsISLci
-tree         = (null)

```

**Methods:** modalityset

```

add <name> <updateProc> <tagName>
    add a new modality to the set
        name      name of modality
        updateProc TCL modality update proc
        tagName   Name for tag
addTags
    add tags to tags-object
answer <startFrameX> <endFrameX>
    get answer of all modalities in the set
        startFrameX    start frame for answer
        endFrameX      end frame for answer

```

```

answer2codedTags <answer> [-tags tags]
    coded tags for answer
    answer    answer (majority)
    tags      tags-object (Tags)

answer2tags <answer>
    get a list of tags for an answer
    answer    answer for modalities (binary coded)

delete
    delete a modality from the set

deleteTags
    delete tags from tags-object

getRootNodes
    get root nodes of tree

majorityAnswer [-startFrameX startframex] [-endFrameX endframex]
    get the majority of the answers
    startframex  start frame for answer
    endframex    end frame for answer

puts
    display the contents of the modality-set

reset
    reset set

trace <rootX> <answer>
    trace given subtree with given answers
    rootX        root node index of subtree
    answer       answers for modalities (coded as int)

update
    update all modalities in the set

updateUtterance
    update modality for the whole utterance (modalityUpdateUtterance)

```

**Subobjects:**

```

list      (List)
localTags (Tags)
tags      (Tags)
tree      (???)

```

**8.5.24 Phone**

This section describes the '*Phone*': *Phone*

**Creation:** *Phone* cannot be created directly.

It is accessible as a sub-object of **Phones**!



### 8.5.25 Phones

This section describes the '*Phones*': A '*Phones*' object is an array of strings, each of which is a phoneme.

**Creation:** `Phones <name>`

`name` name of the object

**Configuration:** `phones configure`

```
-blkSize      = 10
-commentChar  = ;
-itemN        = 0
-useN         = 1
```

**Methods:** `phones`

```
add <phone*>
    add new phone(s) to a phone-set
    phone*  list of phones

delete <phone*>
    delete phone(s) from a phone-set
    phone*  list of phones

index <names*>
    return index of named phone(s)
    names*  list of names

name <idx*>
    return the name of indexed phone(s)
    idx*    list of indices

puts
    displays the contents of a phone-set

read <filename>
    read a phone-set from a file
    filename  name of phones file

write <filename>
    write a phone-set into a file
    filename  name of phones file
```

**Subobjects:**

`list` (*List*)

### 8.5.26 PhonesSet

This section describes the '*PhonesSet*': A '*PhonesSet*' object is a set of '*Phones*' objects.

**Creation:** `PhonesSet <name>`

`name` name of the object

**Configuration:** `phoneset configure`

```

-blkSize      = 20
-commentChar  = ;
-itemN        = 1
-useN         = 5

```

**Methods:** `phoneset`

```

add <name> <phone*>
    add new phone-set to a set of phones-set
    name      name of list
    phone*    list of phones
delete <phoneSet*>
    delete phone-set(s) from a set of phone-sets
    phoneSet* list of phone sets
index <names*>
    return index of named phone-set(s)
    names*    list of names
name
    return the name of indexed phone-set(s)
puts
    displays the contents of a set of phone-sets
read <filename>
    read a set of phone-sets from a file
    filename  name of phone set file
write <filename>
    write a set of phone-sets into a file
    filename  name of phones file

```

**Subobjects:**

```
list (List)
```

**Elements:** are of type **Phones**.

**8.5.27 PTree**

This section describes the '*PTree*': *Polyphonic Tree*

**Creation:** `PTree <name> <phones> <tags> <modelSet> [-addProc addproc]`

```

name      name of the object
phones    set of phones (Phones)
tags      set of tags (Tags)
modelSet  set of models
addproc   TCL add model proc

```

**Configuration:** `ptree configure`

```

-addProc      = (null)
-count        = 0.000000
-maxContext   = -1
-name         = ptree

```

**Methods:** ptree

```

add <tagged phones> <leftContext> <rightContext> [-count count]
    [-model model]
    adds another polyphone to the tree
    tagged phones    list of tagged phones
    leftContext      left context
    rightContext      right context
    count            count
    model            model

get <tagged phones> <leftContext> <rightContext>
    find polyphone in the tree
    tagged phones    list of tagged phones
    leftContext      left context
    rightContext      right context

models <modelArray> [-minCount mincount]
    returns a model array of models in the tree
    modelArray      model array (ModelArray)
    mincount        minimum count

question <questionSet> [-minCount mincount]
    find a question for splitting
    questionSet      question set (QuestionSet)
    mincount        minimum count

split <questionSet> <question> [-minCount mincount]
    split a tree by asking a question
    questionSet      question set (QuestionSet)
    question         question
    mincount        minimum count

```

**Subobjects:**

```

modelSet    (DistribSet)

```

**8.5.28 PTreeSet**

This section describes the '**PTreeSet**': A '**PTreeSet**' object is a set of polyphone context trees.

**Creation:** PTreeSet <name> <phones> <tags> <modelSet>

```

name        name of the object
phones      set of phones (Phones)
tags        set of tags (Tags)
modelSet    set of models

```

**Configuration:** ptreeset configure

```

-blkSize      = 100
-commentChar  = ;
-itemN        = 0
-name         = ptreeSet
-useN         = 1

```

**Methods:** ptreeset

```

add <name> <polyphone>
  adds another polyphonic tree
  name      name of polyphonic tree
  polyphone  polyphone description

index <names*>
  find index of a polyphone tree
  names*    list of names

name <idx*>
  find name of a polyphone tree
  idx*      list of indices

puts
  displays the contents of a PTreeSet object

read <filename>
  reads polyphone tree from a file
  filename   name of PTreeSet file

write <filename> [-minCount mincount]
  writes polyphone tree to a file
  filename   name of tree file
  mincount   minimum count

```

**Subobjects:**

```

list      (List)
modelSet  (DistribSet)

```

**8.5.29 QuestionSet**

This section describes the '*QuestionSet*': A '*QuestionSet*' object is a set of characteristic function definitions and a set of questionSet.

**Creation:** QuestionSet <name> <phones> <phonesSet> <tags> [-padPhone padphone]

```

name      name of the question set
phones    set of phones (Phones)
phonesSet set of phone set (PhonesSet)
tags      set of tags (Tags)
padphone   padding phone index

```

**Configuration:** questionset configure

```

-blkSize      = 50
-commentChar  = ;
-itemN        = 0
-padPhone     = -1
-phones       = PHONES
-phonesSet    = phonesSetISLci
-tagOperation = 1
-tags         = tagsISLci
-useN         = 1

```

**Methods:** questionset

```

add <question>
    add a new question to a questionSet object
    question    question string

delete <item>
    remove a question from a questionSet object
    item        name of item in list

index <names*>
    return the index of a named question
    names*      list of names

name <idx*>
    return the name of an indexed question
    idx*        list of indices

puts
    displays the contents of a questionSet object

read <filename>
    read questionSet from a file
    filename     name of question set file

write <filename>
    write questionSet into a file
    filename     name of questionSet file

```

**Subobjects:**

```

list      (List)
phones    (Phones)
phonesSet (PhonesSet)
tags      (Tags)

```

**8.5.30 RewriteSet**

This section describes the '*RewriteSet*': *Set of rewrite rules*

**Creation:** RewriteSet <name>

```

name    name of the object

```

**Configuration:** rewriteset configure

```

-blkSize  = 100
-itemN    = 0
-useN     = 1

```

**Methods:** rewriteset

```

add <from> <to>
    add a new rewrite rule to the set
    from    left side of the rewrite rule
    to      right side of the rewrite rule

delete <item>
    remove rewrite rule from the set
    item    name of item in list

```

```

read <filename>
  reads a rewrite rules file
  filename  file to read from

write <filename>
  writes a rewrite rules file
  filename  file to write to

```

**Subobjects:**

```
list (List)
```

**8.5.31 SampleSet**

This section describes the '*SampleSet*': *containers for samples*

**Creation:** SampleSet <name> <featureSet> <feature> <dimN>

```

name      name of the SampleSet object
featureSet name of the feature set (FeatureSet)
feature    feature name
dimN       input dimension

```

**Configuration:** sampleset configure

```

-blkSize    = 100
-dimN       = 4
-featX      = 0
-featureSet = featureSetISLci
-indexN     = 0
-itemN      = 0
-name       = sampleSetISLci
-useN       = 1

```

**Methods:** sampleset

```

accu <path> [-factor factor] [-lh lh] [-from from] [-to to]
  accumulate samples from a path object
  path      name of the path object (Path)
  factor    training factor
  lh        distribSet for lh accumulation (DistribSet)
  from      start frame
  to        end frame

add <name> [-filename filename] [-featX featx] [-dimN dimn] [-size
size] [-mod mod] [-lhdss lhdss]
  add a new SampleSet class to the set
  name      name of the class
  filename  name of the dump file
  featx     index of the feature to use
  dimn      this feature's number of dimensions
  size      use buffer of the given size
  mod       use only every -mod-th vector
  lhdss     distrib set for likelihood accumulation (DistribSet)

clear
  clear accumulation buffers

```

```

delete <item>
    remove SampleSet class from the set
    item    name of item in list

flush
    flush accumulation buffers to file

index <names*>
    returns indices of named SampleSet classes
    names*   list of names

map <index> [-class class]
    add/get index to class mapping information
    index    index to map
    class    name of the class

name <idx*>
    returns names of indexed SampleSet classes
    idx*     list of indices

showmap
    display class mapping information

```

**Subobjects:**

```

featureSet  (FeatureSet)
list        (List)

```

**8.5.32 Senone**

This section describes the '*Senone*': *Senone*

**Creation:** *Senone* cannot be created directly.

It is accessible as a sub-object of *SenoneSet*!

**Configuration:** *senone* configure

```

-name      = SIL-b
-snX       = -1
-streamN   = 1

```

**Methods:** *senone*

```

setAccu [-accu accu]
    set/get stream weights accu
    accu   array of stream accu values

setWeights [-weight weight]
    set stream weights
    weight  array of stream weights

```

**8.5.33 SenoneSet**

This section describes the '*SenoneSet*': *Set of senones*

**Creation:** `SenoneSet` `<name>` `<streamArray>` `[-phones phones]` `[-tags tags]`

`name` name of the senones set  
`streamArray` list of stream `[-streamType ST]` `[-weight W]`  
`phones` set of phones (**Phones**)  
`tags` set of tags (**Tags**)

**Configuration:** `senoneset` `configure`

`-blkSize` = 500  
`-commentChar` = ;  
`-featSetN` = 0  
`-itemN` = 3  
`-likelihood` = 228895450841486969006328485837565558188250792269271278873354681566845682  
`-mixMode` = 0  
`-normalize` = 0  
`-scoreScale` = 1.000000  
`-useN` = 7

**Methods:** `senoneset`

`accu` `<path>` `[-factor factor]` `[-random random]` `[-from from]` `[-to to]`  
accumulate training data for the given path

`path` name of the path object (**Path**)  
`factor` training factor  
`random` random frame presentation  
`from` start frame  
`to` end frame

`accuWeights` `<path>` `[-from from]` `[-to to]` `[-accu accu]` `[-v v]`  
`[-zeroMode zeromode]`

accu statistics to train stream weights (MMIE)

`path` path object (**Path**)  
`from` first frame  
`to` last frame  
`accu` for MMI: accu into 'num' (ref) or 'den' (hyp)  
`v` verbose information  
`zeromode` don't train streams with weight 0

`accuWeightsMLE` `<path>` `[-zeroMode zeromode]` `[-v v]`

accumulate MLE statistics to train stream weights

`path` path object (**Path**)  
`zeromode` update streams with weight=0  
`v` verbose information

`add` `<senone>` `[-name name]`

add a new senone to the set  
`senone` list of score names  
`name` name of the senone

`addNorm` `<name>` `<streamX>` `[-histN histn]` `[-minmaxN minmaxn]`

add a stream normalizer item

`name` name of stream normalizer  
`streamX` stream index  
`histn` resolution of histogram  
`minmaxn` number of samples for min/max computation

`clearAccuWeights`

clear update stream weights accu



```

clearMix <streamN> <frameN>
    clear dynamic stream mixer
    streamN    number of streams
    frameN     number of frames

clearNorm [-name name]
    clear stream normalizer
    name       name of stream normalizer

clearStreamCache [-frameN frameN]
    clear stream cache (opt_str score fct)
    frameN     number of frames to clear

get <senone tag> <tagged phones> <leftContext> <rightContext>
    find a senone given phonetic context
    senone tag    tag
    tagged phones list of tagged phones
    leftContext   left context
    rightContext  right context

index
    returns indices of named senones

labelMix <path> [-soft soft] [-smooth smooth]
    compute mixing weights based on labels
    path       path object (Path)
    soft       soft targets?
    smooth     size of smoothing window

load <filename>
    load a senone binary file
    filename   file to load from

loadAccuWeights <filename>
    load MLE- or MMIE-update stream weights accu
    filename   file to load from

loadNorm <filename> [-name name]
    load stream normalizer
    filename   name of file
    name       name of stream normalizer

name <index>
    returns names of indexed senones
    index     index to look up

read <filename>
    reads a senone description file
    filename   file to read from

reset
    reset senoneSet

save <filename>
    save a senone binary file
    filename   file to save to

saveAccuWeights <filename>
    save MLE- or MMIE-update stream weights accu
    filename   file to save to

```

```

saveNorm <filename> [-name name]
    save stream normalizer
    filename  name of file
    name      name of stream normalizer

score <senone> <frame>
    compute the score for a senone and a frame
    senone    senone index
    frame     index of the requested frame

scoreMatrix <matrix> [-topN topn] [-mode mode]
    compute the scores for senones in a matrix
    matrix    matrix to score results in
    topn      topN value for score function
    mode      cb or ds

setScoreFct <name>
    set score function (interface to Ibis)
    name      one of (base, opt, opt_thread, opt_semCont, opt_str, compress, old_base, old_opt)

setWeights [-global global] [-local local] [-weight weight]
    set stream weights
    global    set weight global
    local     set weights for each senone
    weight    array of stream weights

update
    update the underlying acoustic parameters

updateMix [-smooth smooth]
    update dynamic stream mixer
    smooth    size of smoothing window

updateWeights [-mode mode] [-tie tie] [-mass mass] [-contrast
contrast] [-minCount mincount] [-start start] [-clear clear]
[-iter iter] [-min min] [-v v]
    update stream weights (MMIE)
    mode      dmc or mmi
    tie       global, phone, state, or senone-based smoothing
    mass      probability mass to assign
    contrast  contrast
    mincount  min count for update
    start     first stream index to touch (0 or 1)
    clear     clear accus after update
    iter      loops
    min       min weight, >=1 no control, <0 auto to -1*val
    v         verbosity

updateWeightsMLE [-minCnt mincnt] [-M m] [-K k] [-zeroMode zeromode]
[-noiseMode noisemode] [-mode mode] [-startIdx startidx]
    MLE-update stream weights
    mincnt    min. count to update
    m         M-norm, M > 1
    k         normalizer constant
    zeromode  update streams with weight=0
    noisemode zero noises before update?
    mode      global, phone, state, or senone-based smoothing
    startidx  start index (0 or 1 is useful)

```

```

write <filename>
    writes a senone description file
    filename  file to read from

```

**Subobjects:**

```

stream(0..0)  (???)
tagList      (List)

```

**Elements:** are of type **Senone**.

**8.5.34 SenoneTag**

This section describes the '*SenoneTag*': *SenoneTag*

**Creation:** *SenoneTag* cannot be created directly.

It is accessible as a sub-object of **List**!

**8.5.35 SignalAdapt**

This section describes the '*SignalAdapt*': *Signal Adaption*

**Creation:** *SignalAdapt* <name> <SenoneSet> [-stream stream] [-maxAccu maxaccu] [-maxTran maxtran]

```

name      name of SignalAdapt object
SenoneSet name of the senone set (SenoneSet)
stream    stream to use
maxaccu   max number of accu
maxtran   max number of transformations

```

**Configuration:** signaladapt configure

```

-beta(0..5)  =
-name        = signalAdaptISLci
-shift       = 1.000000
-stream      = 0
-topN        = 1
-useN        = 0

```

**Methods:** signaladapt

```

accu <path> <accuX> [-match match] [-from from] [-to to] [-stream
stream] [-gamma gamma] [-conf conf]
accu path for signal adaption
path    name of the path object (Path)
accuX   accu to be used
match   only accu senones that match this string
from    start frame
to      end frame (-1 = last frame)
stream  stream to accumulate
gamma   scaling factor
conf    Confidence values (FVector) (FVector)

adapt <src> <dst> <tranX>
adapt feature
src     source feature, FMatrix (FMatrix)
dst     dst feature, FMatrix (FMatrix)
tranX   transformation index

```

```

add <Distribution>
    add distribution for signal adaption
    Distribution    distribution
addAccu <accuX> <accuY> [-factor factor]
    accuX += factor *accuY
    accuX    accuX
    accuY    accuY
    factor    weighting factor
clear <tranX>
    clear parameter matrix (will not be done automatically!)
    tranX    transformation index
clearAccu <accuX>
    clear accu's
    accuX    accu index
combine <tranX1> <tranX2>
    combine two transforms
    tranX1    transformation 1
    tranX2    transformation 2
compare <tranX> <tranY>
    compare two transforms (sum of squares)
    tranX    transformation index
    tranY    transformation index
compute <iter> <accuX> <tranX>
    compute adaption matrix
    iter    Number of iterations
    accuX    accu index
    tranX    transformation index
load <filename> <tranX>
    load parameter matrix
    filename    filename
    tranX    transformation index
puts
    puts distributons
readAccu <filename> <accuX> [-factor factor]
    read accu's
    filename    filename
    accuX    accu index
    factor    weighting factor
save <filename> <tranX>
    save parameter matrix
    filename    filename
    tranX    transformation index
scaleAccu <factor> <accuX>
    scale accu's
    factor    scaling factor for accu's
    accuX    accu index
writeAccu <filename> <accuX>
    write accu's
    filename    filename
    accuX    accu index

```

**Subobjects:**

```

g(0..4,0..3)  ()
w(0..0)       (???)
z(0..4)       (???)

```

**8.5.36 StateTable**

This section describes the '*StateTable*': A '*StateTable*' object is a matrix for looking up distribution indices.

**Creation:** StateTable <name> <modalitySet> [-compress compress]

```

name          name of the state table
modalitySet    modality set (ModalitySet)
compress       compress stateTable

```

**Configuration:** statetable configure

```

-commentChar  = 59
-compress      = 0
-dummyStart   = -1
-endFrameX     = -1
-modXN         = 0
-name          = stateTableISLci
-startFrameX   = -1
-timeInfo      = 0
-treeXN        = 0
-useN          = 1

```

**Methods:** statetable

```

copy
    copy state table

create
    create new matrix

get  <treeX> <modalityX>
    get a single entry of the state table
    treeX      index of subtree
    modalityX   index of modality combination

lookup  <dsX> <frameX>
    make a table lookup
    dsX        index of distribution
    frameX     index of frame

puts
    displays the contents of the state table

read  <fileName>
    read state table from file
    fileName   Name of file

reset
    reset state table and modalitySet

resize
    resize state table

```

```

set <treeX> <modalityX> <dsX>
    set a single entry in the state table
    treeX      index of subtree
    modalityX  index of modality combination
    dsX        index of distribution

update <startFrameX> <endFrameX>
    update state-table
    startFrameX  start frame for answer
    endFrameX    end frame for answer

updateUnsupervised
    update stateTable and modalities for the whole utterance (unsupervised)
    (stateTableUpdateUnsupervised)

updateUtterance
    update stateTable and modalities for the whole utterance (stateTableUp-
    dateUtterance)

write <fileName>
    write state table to file
    fileName    Name of file

```

**Subobjects:**

```

matrix      (IMatrix)
modalitySet (ModalitySet)

```

**8.5.37 Tag**

This section describes the '*Tag*': *Tag*

**Creation:** *Tag* cannot be created directly.

It is accessible as a sub-object of *Tags*!

**Methods:** *tag*

```

puts
    print information about tag

```

**8.5.38 Tags**

This section describes the '*Tags*': A '*Tags*' object is an array of strings.

**Creation:** *Tags* <name>

```

name    name of the object

```

**Configuration:** *tags* configure

```

-blkSize      = 10
-commentChar  = ;
-itemN        = 1
-modMask      = 1
-useN         = 11
-wordBeginTag = WB
-wordEndTag   = WE

```

**Methods:** tags

```

add <tag*>
    add new tag(s) to a tags-set
    tag*    list of tags

delete <tag*>
    delete tag(s) from a tags-set
    tag*    list of tags

index
    return index of named tag(s)

name
    return the name of indexed tag(s)

puts
    displays the contents of a tags-set

read <filename>
    read a tag-set from a file
    filename  name of tags file

write <filename>
    write a tag-set into a file
    filename  name of tags file

```

**Subobjects:**

```
list  (List)
```

**Elements:** are of type **Tag**.

**8.5.39 TmSet**

This section describes the '**TmSet**': A *TmSet* is a set of state transition model objects (*Tm*)

**Creation:** TmSet <name>

```
name    name of the tmset
```

**Configuration:** tmset configure

```

-blkSize      = 20
-commentChar  = ;
-itemN        = 1
-useN         = 3

```

**Methods:** tmset

```

add <name> <tm>
    add a Tm to the list
    name    name of the transition model
    tm      transition model description

index <names*>
    return index of named Tm(s)
    names*  list of names

```

```

name <idx*>
    return the name of indexed Tm(s)
    idx*    list of indices

puts
    displays the contents of a transition model

read <filename>
    reads a TmSet from a file
    filename  name of transition model description file

write <filename>
    writes a TmSet to a file
    filename  file to read from

```

**Subobjects:**

```
list (List)
```

**Elements:** are of type **Tm**.

**8.5.40 Topo**

This section describes the '**Topo**': A '**Topo**' object is a definition of a single topology description.

**Creation:** **Topo** cannot be created directly.

It is accessible as a sub-object of **TopoSet**!

**Configuration:** topo configure

```
-name = topo
```

**Methods:** topo

```
puts
    display one single topo
```

**8.5.41 TopoSet**

This section describes the '**TopoSet**': A '**TopoSet**' object is a set of different topologies.

**Creation:** **TopoSet** <name> <SenoneSet> <TmSet>

```

name          name of the topo set
SenoneSet     senone set (SenoneSet)
TmSet         set of transition models (TmSet)

```

**Configuration:** toposet configure

```

-blkSize      = 20
-commentChar  = ;
-itemN        = 1
-senoneSet    = senoneSetISLci
-tmSet        = tmSetISLci
-useN         = 1

```

**Methods:** toposet



```

add <name> <senoneTag*> <tmSet*>
    add a new topo to a TopoSet object
    name          name of topology
    senoneTag*    sequence to senonic tree nodes
    tmSet*        sequence to transitions

delete <item>
    remove a topo from a TopoSet object
    item          name of item in list

index <names*>
    return the index of a named topo
    names*        list of names

name <idx*>
    return the name of an indexed topo
    idx*          list of indices

puts
    displays the contents of a TopoSet object

read <filename>
    read TopoSet from a file
    filename       name of topo set file

write <filename>
    write TopoSet into a file
    filename       name of topoSet file

```

**Subobjects:**

```

list          (List)
senoneSet     (SenoneSet)
tmSet         (TmSet)

```

**Elements:** are of type **Topo**.

**8.5.42 Tree**

This section describes the '**Tree**': A '**Tree**' object is an allophone clustering tree.

**Creation:** **Tree** <name> <phones> <phonesSet> <tags> <modelSet>  
 [-padPhone padphone]

```

name          name of the tree
phones        set of phones (Phones)
phonesSet     set of phone set (PhonesSet)
tags          set of tags (Tags)
modelSet      model set
padphone      padding phone index

```

**Configuration:** tree configure

```

-blkSize      = 5000
-commentChar  = ;
-itemN        = 0
-name         = cbsdt
-padPhone     = -1
-phones       = PHONES
-phonesSet    = phonesSetISLci
-ptreeAdd     = 0
-tags         = tagsISLci
-useN         = 2

```

**Methods: tree**

```

add <nodeName> <question> <noNode> <yesNode> <undefNode>
    <model> [-ptree ptree]
    add a new node to the tree
    nodeName    name of the node
    question    question string
    noNode      NO successor node
    yesNode     YES successor node
    undefNode   UNDEF successor node
    model       name of the model
    ptree       name of the ptree

cluster <rootNode> [-questionSet questionset] [-minCount mincount]
    [-minScore minscore] [-maxSplit maxsplit] [-file file] [-bottomUp
    bottomup] [-lee lee] [-verbose verbose]
    split whole subtree of a given root node
    rootNode    root node
    questionset  question set (QuestionSet)
    mincount    minimum count (ptree)
    minscore    minimum score
    maxsplit    maximum number of splits
    file        cluster log file
    bottomup    cluster bottom up (agglomerative)
    lee         Kai-Fu Lee's bottom up cluster extension
    verbose     verbose

get <node> <tagged phones> <leftContext> <rightContext>
    [-node node]
    descend a tree for a given phone sequence
    node         root node
    tagged phones list of tagged phones
    leftContext  left context
    rightContext right context
    node         want node name (0/1)

index <names*>
    return the index of a node
    names*      list of names

list
    list a tree contents in TCL list format

name <idx*>
    return the name of an indexed node
    idx*        list of indices

```

```

puts
    displays the contents of a tree object

question <node> [-questionSet questionset] [-minCount mincount]
    return best splitting question to ask
        node            root node
        questionset      question set (QuestionSet)
        mincount         minimum count

read <filename>
    read a tree from a file
        filename        name of tree file

split <node> <question> <noNode> <yesNode> <undefNode>
    [-minCount mincount]
    split node according to a question
        node            node
        question         question
        noNode           NO successor node
        yesNode          YES successor node
        undefNode        UNDEF successor node
        mincount         minimum count

trace <node> <tagged phones> <leftContext> <rightContext>
    [-node node]
    trace a tree for a given phone sequence
        node            root node
        tagged phones    list of tagged phones
        leftContext      left context
        rightContext      right context
        node             want node name (0/1)

transform <tree> <mainTree> <modTree> <questionSet>
    [-dummyName dummynname] [-rootIdentifier rootidentifier] [-divide
    divide]
    transform tree for modalities
        tree            tree with modality questions (Tree)
        mainTree        tree to add later the normal nodes (Tree)
        modTree         tree to add later the modality nodes (Tree)
        questionSet     set of only modality questions (QuestionSet)
        dummyname       name for dummy distributions
        rootidentifier   string with rootIdentifiers separated by space
        divide          divide tree into subtrees

write <filename>
    write a tree into a file
        filename        name of tree file

```

**Subobjects:**

```

list            (List)
modelSet        (CBNewSet)
ptreeSet        (PTreeSet)
questionSet     (QuestionSet)

```

### 8.5.43 TreeNode

This section describes the '*TreeNode*': *TreeNode*

**Creation:** *TreeNode* cannot be created directly.

It is accessible as a sub-object of *Tree*!

**Configuration:** *treenode* configure

```
-model      = -1
-name       = ROOT-b
-no         = 1
-ptree      = -1
-question   = 0
-undef      = 1
-yes        = 1
```

## 8.6 Semi-tied covariances (src/stc)

### 8.6.1 CBNewParMatrixSet

This section describes the '*CBNewParMatrixSet*': *Set of CBNewParMatrix parameter matrices*

**Creation:** *CBNewParMatrixSet* <name> <par1> [-defLearnRate deflearnrate]

```
name          name of the set
par1          number of dimensions of feature space (<dimN>) or @<fName>: structure file to load
deflearnrate  SUPERFLUOUS
```

**Configuration:** *cbnewparmatrixset* configure

```
-blkSize      = 5000
-defLearnRate = 0.100000
-dimN         = 1
-itemN        = 0
-name         = cbnewparmatrixset
-useN         = 1
```

**Methods:** *cbnewparmatrixset*

```
add <parMatName> <blockN> <sizeVect> [-dimVect dimvect]
    [-learnRate learnrate]
    add new list element
    parMatName  name of parameter matrix object
    blockN     number of blocks in parameter matrix
    sizeVect    vector holding block sizes (SVector)
    dimvect     dimension index vector (SVector)
    learnrate   SUPERFLUOUS

cleanup
    remove all parameter matrices without no links

cluster
    cluster Gaussians

convert <FeatureSet> <name>
    convert feature
    FeatureSet  name of the feature set (FeatureSet)
    name       source feature
```

```

evalKL
    evaluate KL criterion

index <names*>
    get index of list element
    names*    list of names

loadWeights <fName>
    load weights
    fName     name of structure file to create

name <idx*>
    get name of list element
    idx*      list of indices

save <fName>
    save object structure
    fName     name of structure file to create

saveWeights <fName>
    save weights
    fName     name of structure file to create

update
    update parameter matrices

```

### 8.6.2 CBNewSet

This section describes the '*CBNewSet*': *Set of CBNew codebooks*

**Creation:** CBNewSet <name> <parmatSet> <featureSet> <par2>

```

name          name of the set
parmatSet     parameter matrix set (CBNewParMatrixSet)
featureSet    feature set (FeatureSet)
par2          feature space dimensions <dimN> OR @<fname>: name of structure file to load

```

**Configuration:** cbnewset configure

```

-blkSize      = 50000
-dimN         = 1
-featureSet   = featureSetISLci
-itemN        = 0
-name         = cbnewset
-parmatSet    = cbnewparmatrixset
-phase        = cons
-trainParmats = 1
-useN         = 0

```

**Methods:** cbnewset

```

accu
    accumulate data

accuMatrix
    accumulate sample matrix

```

```

add <cbName> <featName> <refN>
  add new codebook
  cbName      name for codebook
  featName    name of feature to use
  refN        number of densities

clearAccus
  clear accumulators

clearTrainParmats
  switch off parmat training

closeProt <cbIndex> <protNum>
  INTERNAL! Use CBNewSetCloseProt
  cbIndex     codebook index
  protNum     protocol number

compare <CBNewSet>
  compare two codebooks
  CBNewSet    CBNewSet to compare (CBNewSet)

convert <CodebookSet> <DistribSet>
  convert new codebook style to old style
  CodebookSet name of the codebook set (CodebookSet)
  DistribSet  name of the distrib set (DistribSet)

dataPlot
  scatter plot of most relev. dimensions

evalKL
  evaluate KL criterion

evalProt
  INTERNAL! Use CBNewSetEvalProt

genSamples <cbIndex> <sampN> <sampMat> [-seed seed]
  generate samples using codebook model
  cbIndex     index of codebook
  sampN       number of samples to create
  sampMat     sample matrix (FMatrix)
  seed        seed to use for PRNG

index <names*>
  get index of list element
  names*     list of names

link <parmatName> <cbIndex> <refIndex>
  link parameter matrix to gaussian(s)
  parmatName  name of parameter matrix
  cbIndex     index of codebook
  refIndex    reference index (or 'allFree' / 'all')

loadAccus
  load accumulators incrementally

loadAccusDep
  load accumulators incrementally

loadWeights <fName>
  load codebook weights
  fName       name of weight file to load

```

```

name <idx*>
    get name of list element
    idx*    list of indices
openProt <cbIndex> <dataMat> [-critFunc critfunc] [-begin begin]
    [-end end]
    INTERNAL! Use CBNewSetOpenProt
    cbIndex    codebook index
    dataMat    evaluation data matrix (FMatrix)
    critfunc    criterion function
    begin      first row of eval. epoch in data matrix
    end        last row of eval. epoch in data matrix
phase <phaseName>
    change object phase
    phaseName  new phase ('work','test')
reset
    reset active flags
save <fName>
    save object structure
    fName     name of structure file to create
saveAccus
    save accumulators
saveAccusDep
    save accumulators
saveWeights <fName>
    save codebook weights
    fName     name of weight file to create
setTrainParmats
    switch on parmat training
unlink <cbIndex> [-refIndex refindex]
    unlink gaussian(s)
    cbIndex    index of codebook
    refindex    index of gaussian to unlink
update
    update parameters based on accus

```

### 8.6.3 CBNewStream

This section describes the '*CBNewStream*': *Stream based on extended codebooks (CBNew)*

**Creation:** CBNewStream <name> <cbnewSet> <tree>

```

name      name of the object
cbnewSet  codebook set (CBNewSet)
tree      model tree (Tree)

```

**Configuration:** cbnewstream configure

```

-cbnewSet  = cbnewset
-name      = cbnewstream
-tree      = cbsdt
-useN      = 1

```

**Methods:** `cbnewstream`

```

    accu
        accumulate sufficient statistic
    get <node> <tagged phones> <leftContext> <rightContext>
    [-node node]
        returns a codebook given a tagged phone sequence
        node          root node
        tagged phones list of tagged phones
        leftContext   left context
        rightContext right context
        node          want node name (0/1)
    index <names*>
        returns indices of named codebooks
        names*    list of names
    name <idx*>
        returns names of indexed codebooks
        idx*     list of indices
    update
        update parameters

```

**Subobjects:**

```

    cbnewSet  (CBNewSet)

```

**Elements:** are of type `CBNew`.

## 8.7 Diverse

### 8.7.1 TODO

This section lists the modules that yet have to be documented. This page exists to avoid too many dead links.

??? Objects of unknown type

`BBILeaf` look in `BBINode`

`BBITree` look in `BBINode`

`CBNew` look in `CBNewSet`

`CBNewParMatrix` look in `CBNewSet`

`DCovMatrix` internal object

`Duration` look in `DurationSet`

`FArray` internal object

`Feature` look in `FeatureSet`

`Filter` internal object

`IArray` internal object

`LCM` look in `LCMSet`

`LDAClass` look in `LDA`

`MLAdaptItem` look in `MLAdapt`



NGramLMSubs look in [LingKS](#)  
PHMM look in [PHMMSet](#)  
PTreeNode look in [PTree](#)  
PhraseLMItem look in [LingKS](#)  
Question look in [QuestionSet](#)  
RCM look in [RCMSet](#)  
Rewrite look in [RewriteSet](#)  
SNode look in [STree](#)  
SampleSetClass look in [SampleSet](#)  
StreamNormItem look in [DistribStream](#)  
Tm look in [TmSet](#)  
Word look in [Dictionary](#)  
XCM look in [XCMSet](#)

Also, there is code to work with Neural Networks under src/net.



## Chapter 9

# Tcl-Library

**WARNING:** These entries were generated automatically. This list is non-exhaustive, but it includes all 'user-level' functions.

The argument LSID is the 'local system ID'. It is usually given by the variable SID. For example, 'bbiInit' would usually be called as `bbiInit $SID` or `bbiInit $SID -desc bbi.desc -param bbi.param.gz`.

### 9.1 align.tcl

This is a collection of error rate measuring tools. There are four functions for aligning correct and hypothesised data:

<code>rawAlign</code>	will return the alignment path for one sentence
<code>align</code>	will return the error summary for one sentence
<code>rawAlignFile</code>	will return the error summary for an entire file
<code>alignFile</code>	will not return anything but print to stdout like NIST's

The purpose of implementing this in Tcl is to have a tool that will allow us to build a 1-button-Janus which will be able to tune itself on a given development (or crossvalidation) test set, using the recognition error rate as the driving objective function.

Procedures defined in `tcl-lib/align.tcl`:

#### 9.1.1 align

This function will return the error summary for one sentence.

```
align      co hy [-sub subP] [-ins insP] [-del delP]

co         = string containing correct sentence (rawAlign, align) or
            file of many correct sentences (alignFiles, rawAlignFiles)
hy         = string containing the hypothesis (rawAlign, align) or
            file of many hypotheses (alignFiles, rawAlignFiles)
subP       = two-dimensional array such that subP(w1,w2) is the
            substitution penalty for substituting word w1 by word w2
insP       = one-dimensional array such that insP(w1) is the
            insertion penalty for inserting the word w1
delP       = one-dimensional array such that delP(w1) is the
            deletion penalty for deleting the word w1
```

There is also an external scoring program, which runs significantly faster.

**Arguments:**

<code>&lt;corr&gt;</code>	correct sentence (reference)
<code>&lt;hypo&gt;</code>	recognizer output (hypothesis)
<code>-sub</code>	2D array of substitution penalties
<code>-ins</code>	1D array of insertion penalties
<code>-del</code>	1D array of deletion penalties

## 9.2 bbi.tcl

BBI (Bucket-Box-Intersection) is a Gaussian selection algorithm, used for speed-up during decoding. Usually, the use of BBI during decodings results in a speed-up of factor 2, with marginal loss in word accuracy. The routines here set up the BBI infrastructure.

Procedures defined in `tcl-lib/bbi.tcl`:

### 9.2.1 bbiSetInit

Initializes a BBI tree (loads the description file) and loads the parameters into the corresponding codebook. The codebook's scoring function then uses the BBI tree for future score computations. You can also use this function during creation of a BBI.

**Arguments:**

<code>LSID</code>	The system id, usually \$SID.
<code>-codebookSet</code>	codebookSet object
<code>-desc</code>	description file
<code>-param</code>	parameter file
<code>-log</code>	name of log channel

## 9.3 cbnew.tcl

This is the Extended Codebook Set. Use it in conjunction with STCs (semi-tied co-variances), to find the OFS (optimal feature space).

Procedures defined in `tcl-lib/cbnew.tcl`:

### 9.3.1 cbnewSetInit

Initializes the CBNew set. Load the 'CBNewParMatrixSet', requires 'ParmatSet'.

**Arguments:**

<code>LSID</code>	The system id, usually \$SID.
<code>-cbnewSet</code>	codebook set
<code>-featureSet</code>	feature set ( <b>FeatureSet</b> )
<code>-parmatSet</code>	parameter matrix set ( <b>CBNewParMatrixSet</b> )
<code>-desc</code>	description file
<code>-param</code>	parameter file
<code>-log</code>	name of log channel

## 9.4 `cfg.tcl`

This file contains procedures for using Context Free Grammars together with the Ibis decoder. The grammars can be initialized by calling '`cfgInit $SID`' as usual. Other procedures are provided as methods of various objects.

Procedures defined in `tcl-lib/cfg.tcl`:

### 9.4.1 `cfgActivate`

Sets the status of all grammars to active, which match the given tag. The tags 'SHARED' and 'all' are reserved

**Arguments:**

```
cfgSet    ...
<tag>     tag of the grammar
```

### 9.4.2 `cfgDeactivate`

Sets the status of all grammars to inactive, which match the given tag. The tags 'SHARED' and 'all' are reserved

**Arguments:**

```
cfgSet    ...
<tag>     tag of the grammar
```

### 9.4.3 `cfgGenerate`

Generates terminal sequences for a CFG

**Arguments:**

```
cfg      ...
<seqN>   number of terminal sequences
-mode    generation mode (random—fixed)
-recurse follow recursions
-file    file name to write output
```

### 9.4.4 `cfgGetParseTree`

Returns the parse tree of a given text string. This method is case sensitive!

**Arguments:**

```
cfgSet    ...
<text>    text string to parse
-svmap    use SMap to map SVX<->LVX (SMap)
-format   output format (soup—jsgf)
-auxNT    print also auxilliary NTs
```

### 9.4.5 `cfgInit`

Initializes the CFGs. By using the option '`-makeDict`' and defining a base dictionary, it is also possible to build a new dictionary limited to the words given by the CFGs.

**Arguments:**

<code>LSID</code>	The system id, usually <code>\$SID</code> .
<code>-grammars</code>	list of grammars and tags
<code>-baseDict</code>	base dict for lookup
<code>-dict</code>	resulting new dict
<code>-classes</code>	mapping of classes
<code>-fillers</code>	list of filler words
<code>-startover</code>	allow starting over
<code>-makeDict</code>	make dict out of <code>cfg</code>

#### 9.4.6 `cfgSetGenerate`

Generates terminal sequences for a CFGSet

**Arguments:**

<code>cfgSet</code>	...
<code>&lt;seqN&gt;</code>	number of terminal sequences
<code>-mode</code>	generation mode (random—fixed)
<code>-recurse</code>	follow recursions
<code>-file</code>	file name to write output

#### 9.4.7 `cfgSetWeightRules`

???

**Arguments:**

<code>cfgSet</code>	...
<code>&lt;rules&gt;</code>	list of rules
<code>-weight</code>	weight applied to all rules

#### 9.4.8 `cfgSetWriteFSM`

Writes a rule in a CFG or CFGSet in AT&T FSM format

**Arguments:**

<code>cfgSet</code>	...
<code>&lt;rule&gt;</code>	rule to print as FSM
<code>&lt;fsm&gt;</code>	fsm file

### 9.5 `cli.tcl`

Procedures to provide backward compatibility for commands included to reduce the need for forks. Usage is not exactly the same as the standard Unix commands.

Procedures defined in `tcl-lib/cli.tcl`:

#### 9.5.1 `cp`

Copies files

**Arguments:**

<code>&lt;from&gt;</code>	file name(s) (glob expression)
<code>&lt;to&gt;</code>	target (directory)
<code>-f</code>	0 return on error, 1 continue

### 9.5.2 `mkdir`

Creates directories

**Arguments:**

<dir>    directory(ies)  
-f        0 return on error, 1 continue

### 9.5.3 `mv`

Moves files

**Arguments:**

<from>   file name(s) (glob expression)  
<to>     target (directory)  
-f        0 return on error, 1 continue

### 9.5.4 `rm`

Removes files

**Arguments:**

<file>   file name(s) (glob expression)  
-f        0 return on error, 1 continue

### 9.5.5 `rmdir`

Removes directories

**Arguments:**

<dir>    directory(ies) (glob expression)  
-f        0 return on error, 1 continue

### 9.5.6 `sleep`

Sleeps.

**Arguments:**

<sec>    sleep <sec> seconds

### 9.5.7 `touch`

Touches files

**Arguments:**

<files>   file name(s) (no glob)

### 9.5.8 `wait`

Waits a while.

**Arguments:**

<file>    name of file to wait for  
-intervall poll every n seconds  
-maxtime   wait no longer than (sec)

## 9.6 codebook.tcl

A CodebookSet contains a number of Codebooks, the standard JRTk object for Gaussian functions. The mixture weights are held in DistribSets.

Procedures defined in `tcl-lib/codebook.tcl`:

### 9.6.1 codebookSetInit

Creates a CodebookSet (reads the description file) and can also load the parameters.

**Arguments:**

LSID	The system id, usually \$SID.
-codebookSet	codebookSet object
-featureSet	feature set ( <b>FeatureSet</b> )
-desc	description file
-param	parameter file
-bmem	use block memory management
-log	name of log channel

## 9.7 dbase.tcl

These functions deal with the Janus database. Most scripts rely on the database to find information related to the current speaker or the current utterance. In most cases, the DBase is organized as two different databases: one holding the information for all speakers (including which utterances they spoke) and one containing the information specific for one utterance (ADC, FROM, TO, speaker, ...).

Procedures defined in `tcl-lib/dbase.tcl`:

### 9.7.1 dbaseInit

Initializes the DBase.

**Arguments:**

LSID	The system id, usually \$SID.
<name>	data base name
-dbase	data base object
-path	dbase path
-log	name of log channel

### 9.7.2 dbaseUttFilter

Can be re-defined to leave out utterances during the training according to certain criteria.

**Arguments:**

<dbase>	database name (not object)
<uttID>	utterance ID

### 9.7.3 dbaseUttInfo

Returns all the information available in the DBase for one given utterance. It combines the information in the speaker and utterance database.



**Arguments:**

<dbase> database name (not object)  
 <spkID> speaker ID  
 <uttID> utterance ID

**9.7.4 foreachSegment**

Can be used to loop over all utterances for a given speaker. Calls dbaseUttFilter to determine, if some segments should be left out.

**Arguments:**

<utt> return value: variable to contain the utterance  
 <dbase> the database you use  
 <spk> the speaker  
 <body> the script to execute

**9.8 dictionary.tcl**

These functions deals with the dictionary.

Procedures defined in `tcl-lib/dictionary.tcl`:

**9.8.1 dictInit**

Creates a dictionary object and possibly loads a dictionary file into it.

**Arguments:**

LSID The system id, usually \$SID.  
 -phones phones  
 -tags tags  
 -dict dictionary  
 -desc description file

**9.9 displayLabels.tcl**

These functions allow you to view the contents of a label object. They are used by featshow.

Procedures defined in `gui-tcl/displayLabels.tcl`:

**9.9.1 displayLabels**

Usage: `displayLabels <path> <hmm>`

**THE UTTERANCE WINDOW** The first window will show a rectangle for each of the words that were aligned in the utterance. (Optional words that were not aligned are not displayed.) Each rectangle's width is proportional to the number of frames that are consumed by the word, and its height is proportional to the number of states (in terms of AModel-states). Every rectangle is labeled with the orthographic spelling of the word, and with the frame range (first frame .. last frame). However, you can decide yourself what is displayed by choosing the appropriate radio-buttons in the 'full-view' menu. Within the word-rectangles you can see smaller rectangles, representing phonemes. These rectangles can be labelled with the phones names, if you choose so. You can choose the size of the display by clicking on the appropriate radio-button in the 'full zoom' window.

**THE DETAILED VIEW WINDOW** Clicking on a word's rectangle (not on one of the phones) with the 1st mouse button will open a new window with a detailed display of the selected word. You can also select an area by dragging the mouse while holding the 3rd button. Or select an area by clicking on a phone's rectangle. After you release the mouse button, you'll get a window with a detailed view of the selected area. In this window you'll find a grid displaying the frames and states of the utterance. The frames are labelled in a synchronously scrolling canvas below the main display canvas, the states are labelled (with the senone names) in a synchronously scrolling canvas to the left of the main display canvas. Above the main display canvas is another synchronously scrolling canvas, whose contents are defined by the procedure 'displayLabelsScore'. The default is to display the local acoustic score for every frame, however you can redefine this function to display whatever you wish from what is available in a CELL (see displayLabelsLaprep for details). Every visited state is represented by a circle. Below the circle are one, up to three, or up to six) lines which show more information about the state. What is displayed below the circles is defined in the procedure 'displayLabelsBelowCircle'. Have a look at the code of the procedure if you'd like to redefine it. Clicking on a circle will display all available information about that state in an extra window. You can choose how detailed your 'detailed view window' is by clicking on the appropriate radio-button in the 'detailed zoom' menu.

Note that this procedure defines several global identifiers.

**Arguments:**

<path> underlying Path object (**Path**)  
 <hmm> underlying HMM object (**HMM**)

## 9.10 displayTree.tcl

The functions defined in this file allow you to view a Tree object in a Tk widget.

Procedures defined in `gui-tcl/displayTree.tcl`:

### 9.10.1 treeDisplay

Displays a tree if you give it the name of the tree object and the name of the root node to start from.

**Arguments:**

<tree> tree object (**Tree**)  
 <root> name of root node

## 9.11 distrib.tcl

This file provides an easy way to set up the Gaussian mixture weights.

Procedures defined in `tcl-lib/distrib.tcl`:

### 9.11.1 distribSetInit

Initializes a set of distributions. It reads the descriptions and can then load the parameters. by default, it assumes that the underlying codebook is called 'codebook-Set\$SID', which is very easy to achieve if you use 'codebookSetInit'.

**Arguments:**

LSID	The system id, usually \$SID.
-distribSet	distribSet object
-codebookSet	codebook set ( <b>CodebookSet</b> )
-desc	description file
-param	parameter file
-bmem	bmem option

## 9.12 distribTree.tcl

This file provides a wrapper for the tree of distributions, which is needed to find the distribution for each context.

Procedures defined in `tcl-lib/distribTree.tcl`:

### 9.12.1 distribTreeInit

Initializes 'distribTree\$SID'. Needs a 'distribSet', a description file and creates a 'distribStream', which the 'senoneSet' takes to compute scores.

**Arguments:**

LSID	The system id, usually \$SID.
-distribTree	distribTree object
-distribStrea	m distribStream object
-distribSet	distribution set ( <b>DistribSet</b> )
-phones	phones set ( <b>Phones</b> )
-phonesSet	phonesSet set ( <b>PhonesSet</b> )
-tags	tags set ( <b>Tags</b> )
-ptree	polyphonic tree
-desc	description file
-padPhone	padding phone
-log	name of log channel

## 9.13 featshow.tcl

These functions allow you to display features.

Procedures defined in `gui-tcl/featshow.tcl`:

### 9.13.1 featshow

Shows a feature, USAGE: `featshow <featureset> <feature> [<width> [<height>]`.

**Arguments:**

<FeatureSet>	FeatureSet to use ( <b>FeatureSet</b> )
<Feature>	name of feature to display
-width	width of window
-height	height of window

## 9.14 feature.tcl

This file covers the initialization of the FeatureSet. See 'featshow.tcl' to find out more about the visualization of these features.

Procedures defined in `tcl-lib/feature.tcl`:

### 9.14.1 featureSetInit

Initializes a FeatureSet.

**Arguments:**

<code>LSID</code>	The system id, usually <code>\$SID</code> .
<code>-featureSet</code>	feature set name
<code>-desc</code>	description procedure
<code>-access</code>	access function
<code>-lda</code>	ptr to LDA matrix
<code>-ldaFeat</code>	feat for LDA matrix
<code>-log</code>	name of log channel

## 9.15 featview.tcl

These functions allow you to display features in a FeatureSet.

Procedures defined in `gui-tcl/featview.tcl`:

### 9.15.1 featview

Displays different aspects of a FeatureSet, i.e. view its contents, load alternate files ...

**Arguments:**

`<FeatureSet>` FeatureSet to use (**FeatureSet**)

## 9.16 ibis.tcl

This file contains procedures for the Ibis decoder. It can be initialized by calling `'ibisInit $SID'` as usual. The other routines are available as methods of various objects.

Procedures defined in `tcl-lib/ibis.tcl`:

### 9.16.1 ibisInit

Initializes the Ibis decoder object hierarchy. It is possible to integrate existing objects (e.g. language models) into the decoder, although this procedure can build objects and load the appropriate descriptions, data- or dumpfiles, too.

**Arguments:**

LSID	The system id, usually \$SID.
-dict	Search Dictionary ( <b>Dictionary</b> )
-ttree	Topology Tree ( <b>Tree</b> )
-phmmSet	Phonetic HMM Set ( <b>PHMMSet</b> )
-lcmSet	Left Context Model Set ( <b>LCMSet</b> )
-rcmSet	Right Context Model Set ( <b>RCMSet</b> )
-xcmSet	X-Word Context Model Set ( <b>XCMSet</b> )
-vocab	Search Vocabulary ( <b>SVocab</b> )
-svmap	Mapper SVX->LVX ( <b>SVMap</b> )
-stree	Search Tree (Phonetic) ( <b>STree</b> )
-ltree	Search Tree (Linguistic) ( <b>LTree</b> )
-spass	Search Object ( <b>Tree</b> )
-streeDump	search tree dump file
-vocabDesc	search vocabulary
-mapDesc	traditional LM-map file or pron. variants
-maplaDesc	traditional LM-map file or pron. variants
-readSubs	read map-table from 'NGramLM' into SVMap
-phraseLMDesc	multi-word LM file
-baseLMDesc	base lmodel
-ipollLMDesc	interpolation lmodel
-lmDesc	language model
-lmlaDesc	language model lookahead
-lalz	LM lookahead weight
-lz	language model weight
-lp	language model penalty
-fp	filler word penalty
-masterBeam	master beam setting
-lmType	Language Model Type
-lks	Language Model ( <b>LingKS</b> )
-lm	Language Model (discouraged) ( <b>LingKS</b> )
-lksla	LookAhead Language Model ( <b>LingKS</b> )
-cacheN	cache lines in ltree
-depth	depth of ltree
-xcm	use XCMSet
-useCtx	use context
-smemFree	free memory
-ignoreRCM	ignore RCMs in XCM
-fastMatch	Fast Match SID
-verbose	verbose

### 9.16.2 lksInit

Can be used to create a language model.

#### Arguments:

LSID	The system id, usually \$SID.
<LKSType>	type of LingKS
-dict	dictionary
-vocab	vocabulary
-svmap	mapper SVX->LVX
-lks	name of LingKS object
-lksBase	name of LingKS base object
-lksIPol	name of LingKS ipol object
-segSize	segSize parameter for NGramLM
-lksWeights	weights-file to load into main LingKS
-lksDesc	file to load into main LingKS
-ipolDesc	file to load into ipol LingKS
-baseDesc	file to load into base LingKS
-phraseDesc	file to load into phrase LingKS
-vocabDesc	vocabulary file to load
-mapDesc	mapping file to load
-readSubs	LM to read substitutions from
-verbose	verbosity

## 9.17 kmeans.tcl

This file makes it easier to start EM training by initializing the codebooks with the K-Means algorithm. Before you can do that, you need to extract samples.

Procedures defined in `tcl-lib/kmeans.tcl`:

### 9.17.1 doKMeans

Performs K-Means in parallel, creating a CodebookSet ( a DistribSet is produced, too, but the weights are equally distributed). This procedure can combine and cluster data from different sample extractions.

#### Arguments:

LSID	The system id, usually \$SID.
<cbListFile>	file of codebook names
-codebookSet	codebook set ( <b>CodebookSet</b> )
-distribSet	distribution set ( <b>DistribSet</b> )
-paramFile	base name of parameters
-dataPath	path of sample files
-kmeansPath	path of kmeans files
-distribUpdat	e update distributions
-tempF	final temperature
-maxIter	number of iterations
-maxCount	max no of samples
-semFile	semaphore file
-doCombine	combine samples on demand

## 9.18 label.tcl

???

Procedures defined in `gui-tcl/label.tcl`:

## 9.19 labels.tcl

Look here if you need to write labels (time-alignments).

Procedures defined in `tcl-lib/labels.tcl`:

### 9.19.1 labelsMLAdaptWrite

Equivalent to 'labelsWrite', except that it performs speaker-specific MLLR adaptation on the reference before computing the labels, which often results in better alignments. Takes more time, though.

#### Arguments:

LSID	The system id, usually \$SID.
<spkIDfile>	file of speaker IDs
<MLAdapt>	ML adaptation object ( <b>MLAdapt</b> )
-path	name of path
-lbox	name of lbox
-labelPath	path of label files
-update	only try nonexisting paths
-beam	viterbi beam
-topN	topN beam
-optWord	optional word
-variants	variants 0/1
-minCount	adaptation minCount
-putPath	write path into log
-tryMax	increasing beam

### 9.19.2 labelsWrite

Writes labels, i.e. computes and stores a viterbi path for every utterance of every speaker found in the speaker list. You can store the labels in separate files or in a 'label-box', which contains all alignments for one speaker in one singel file.

#### Arguments:

LSID	The system id, usually \$SID.
<spkIDfile>	file of speaker IDs
-path	name of path
-lbox	name of lbox
-labelPath	path of label files
-update	only try nonexisting paths
-beam	viterbi beam
-topN	topN beam
-optWord	optional word
-variants	variants 0/1
-putPath	write path into log
-tryMax	increasing beam

## 9.20 latview.tcl

A viewer for GLat objects.

Procedures defined in `tcl-lib/latview.tcl`:

### 9.20.1 showlat

Display the contents of a GLat lattice in a Tk window. Be careful with large objects.

**Arguments:**

```
obj    ...
ARGS   ???
```

## 9.21 lda.tcl

LDA (Linear Discriminant Analysis) is part of the standard preprocessing in the JRTk toolkit.

Procedures defined in `tcl-lib/lda.tcl`:

### 9.21.1 doLDA

Computes the LDA matrix. Also extracts the counts (i.e. frames) for every codebook, which is useful information and is used to determine the module during sample extraction.

**Arguments:**

LSID	The system id, usually \$SID.
<LDA>	LDA object ( <b>LDA</b> )
<spkIDfile>	file of speaker IDs
-countsFile	file to save counts
-labelPath	path of label files
-stream	stream index
-optWord	optional word
-variants	variants 0/1
-featureSet	feature set
-hmm	hidden markov model
-senoneSet	senone set
-path	path object
-lbox	lbox object
-semFile	semaphore file
-log	name of log channel

## 9.22 misc.tcl

This file contains various procedures.

Procedures defined in `tcl-lib/misc.tcl`:

### 9.22.1 printDo

Performs an action (its argument) and prints the command line to stderr. Don't try to set variables within printDo, though.

**Arguments:**

```
args   The commands to execute
```



## 9.23 `parmat.tcl`

Library to initialize semi-tied full covariances.

Procedures defined in `tcl-lib/parmat.tcl`:

### 9.23.1 `parmatSetInit`

Initializes semi-tied full covariances.

**Arguments:**

<code>LSID</code>	The system id, usually \$SID.
<code>-parmatSet</code>	parameter matrix set
<code>-desc</code>	description file
<code>-dimN</code>	number of feature space dim. (if no desc. file is used)
<code>-param</code>	parameter file
<code>-log</code>	name of log channel

## 9.24 `phones.tcl`

Deals with the PhonesSet.

Procedures defined in `tcl-lib/phones.tcl`:

### 9.24.1 `phonesSetInit`

Initializes a PhonesSet.

**Arguments:**

<code>LSID</code>	The system id, usually \$SID.
<code>-phonesSet</code>	phones set
<code>-desc</code>	description file
<code>-log</code>	name of log channel

## 9.25 `samples.tcl`

Allows to extract samples, i.e. store the pre-processed data for every frame given labels and use it directly at a later stage, for example for KMeans.

Procedures defined in `tcl-lib/samples.tcl`:

### 9.25.1 `doExtract`

Extract the data in separate files for each codebook according to a given alignment. This is very heavy on file I/O, so plan your setup accordingly. If you specify a counts file, you can also specify the 'maxCount'; the system will then automatically compute a modulo, which prevents more than 'maxCount' samples to be extracted for every codebook.

**Arguments:**

LSID	The system id, usually \$SID.
<SampleSet>	SampleSet object ( <b>SampleSet</b> )
<spkIDfile>	file of speaker IDs
-path	name of path
-lbox	name of lbox
-labelPath	path of label files
-dataPath	path of data files
-combPath	path for combining files
-countsFile	file to save counts
-maxCount	max count in file
-modulus	modulus
-stream	stream index
-optWord	optional word
-variants	variants 0/1
-doCombine	doCombine 0/1
-semFile	semaphore file
-log	name of log channel

## 9.26 senone.tcl

This file contains various procedures.

Procedures defined in `tcl-lib/senone.tcl`:

### 9.26.1 senoneSetInit

Initializes the SenoneSet.

#### Arguments:

LSID	The system id, usually \$SID.
<streams>	stream array
-phones	phones set ( <b>Phones</b> )
-tags	tags set ( <b>Tags</b> )
-desc	description file

## 9.27 showSTree.tcl

These functions allow you to view trees, too.

Procedures defined in `gui-tcl/showSTree.tcl`:

### 9.27.1 showSTree

Displays a tree object! This procedure does not display an STree object, though!

#### Arguments:

<tree>	tree object to display ( <b>Tree</b> )
<startNode>	name of start node (of tree to display)
<depth>	depth of displayed tree

## 9.28 speech.tcl

Sil/Speech Detector based on Gaussian mixture.

Procedures defined in `tcl-lib/speech.tcl`:

### 9.28.1 speechInit

Creation and initialization of a speech detector using a `codebookSet` and a `distribSet` based on a description file and a parameter file.

**Arguments:**

LSID	The system id, usually \$SID.
-featureSet	feature set ( <b>FeatureSet</b> )
-cbsdesc	description file
-cbsparam	parameter file
-dssdesc	description file
-dssparam	parameter file
-apriori	speech a priori prob
-log	name of log channel

## 9.29 tags.tcl

This file initializes the tags.

Procedures defined in `tcl-lib/tags.tcl`:

### 9.29.1 tagsInit

Creates a 'Tags' object, usually called `tags$SID`.

**Arguments:**

LSID	The system id, usually \$SID.
-tags	tags object name
-desc	description file
-log	name of log channel

## 9.30 topo.tcl

This file initializes the TopoSet.

Procedures defined in `tcl-lib/topo.tcl`:

### 9.30.1 topoSetInit

Creates a 'TopoSet'.

**Arguments:**

LSID	The system id, usually \$SID.
-tm	transistion description
-senoneSet	senoneSet set ( <b>SenoneSet</b> )
-tmSet	tmSet set ( <b>TmSet</b> )
-desc	topology description

### 9.30.2 ttreeInit

Creates a 'TopoTree'.

**Arguments:**

LSID	The system id, usually \$SID.
-phones	phones set ( <b>Phones</b> )
-phonesSet	phonesSet set ( <b>PhonesSet</b> )
-tags	tags set ( <b>Tags</b> )
-topoSet	topoSet set ( <b>TopoSet</b> )
-ptree	polyphonic tree
-desc	description file
-padPhone	padding phone

## 9.31 train.tcl

This file contains various procedures helpful during recognizer development. Once initialized with 'trainInit \$SID', the training environment provides path, hmm and other objects along with a number of Tcl-defined methods.

Procedures defined in `tcl-lib/train.tcl`:

### 9.31.1 fwdBwdUtterance

Performs forward-backward alignment of an utterance. The necessary information can be read from the database.

**Arguments:**

LSID	The system id, usually \$SID.
<speaker>	speaker ID
<uttID>	utterance ID
-text	text to align
-hmm	hmm
-path	path
-lbox	name of lbox
-topN	topN beam
-width	width of path
-optWord	optional word
-variants	variants 0/1

### 9.31.2 labelUtterance

Reads a binary dumped path into the path\$SID structure and translates the senone indices by referring to the utterance HMM and using the path state indices to find the new senone indices therein.

**Arguments:**

LSID	The system id, usually \$SID.
<speaker>	speaker ID
<uttID>	utterance ID
<file>	filename
-text	text to align
-optWord	optional word
-variants	variants 0/1
-eval	eval string extension
-evalFES	eval feature set 0/1
-featureSet	feature set
-hmm	hmm
-path	path
-lbox	name of lbox
-evalScore	compute path score
-log	name of log channel

### 9.31.3 pathWriteCTM

Writes a CTM-format hypothesis file from a path object.

#### Arguments:

LSID	The system id, usually \$SID.
<speaker>	speaker ID
<uttID>	utterance ID
<from>	from frame
-file	filename

### 9.31.4 trainInit

Initializes the standard JRTk training environment.

#### Arguments:

LSID	The system id, usually \$SID.
-amodSet	acoustic models
-hmm	hidden markov model
-path	path object
-lbox	Labelbox object
-topoTree	topology tree ( <b>Tree</b> )
-topoTreeRoot	root of topoTree
-durTree	duration tree ( <b>Tree</b> )
-durTreeRoot	root of duration tree
-rcmSdp	use right context for context-dependent single phone words
-dict	dictionary ( <b>Dictionary</b> )

### 9.31.5 viterbiUtterance

Performs viterbi alignment of an utterance. The necessary information can be read from the database.

#### Arguments:

LSID	The system id, usually \$SID.
<speaker>	speaker ID
<uttID>	utterance ID
-text	text to align
-hmm	name of hmm
-path	name of path
-lbox	name of Labelbox
-beam	viterbi beam
-topN	topN beam
-bpMod	after every X frames clean up bpTable (<0 never)
-bpMul	go Y * X frames back during cleanup (<1 start at first frame)
-optWord	optional word
-variants	variants 0/1

## 9.32 tree.tcl

Various handy procedures for Tree objects.

Procedures defined in `tcl-lib/tree.tcl`:

### 9.32.1 treeCluster

Clusters tree given a set of questions, the minimum number of counts expected to be in the ModelArray for each answer node, the minimum count and the maximum number of splits for each node.

#### Arguments:

<tree>	tree ( <b>Tree</b> )
<questionSet>	question set ( <b>QuestionSet</b> )
-file	cluster log file
-nodeList	list of nodes
-minCount	minimum count
-maxSplit	max.number of split

### 9.32.2 treeQuestion

Find a question for a given node in the tree (if there is a polyphonic tree attached to the node).

#### Arguments:

<tree>	tree ( <b>Tree</b> )
<node>	node name
<questionSet>	question set ( <b>QuestionSet</b> )
<parent>	parent name
<nodes>	nodes array
<count>	count array

### 9.32.3 treeReadSplits

Reads cluster log file into an array indexed by the gain of each split. This array is used to split a decision tree.

#### Arguments:

<files>	cluster log files
-list	initial split list

### 9.33 vtln.tcl

Procedure to handle VTLN (Vocal Tract Length Normalization) estimation and use.

Procedures defined in `tcl-lib/vtln.tcl`:

#### 9.33.1 findLabelWarp

Given a path (in a label file) rescore all utterances of the given speaker within a window of different warp scales. Utterances of the speaker are taken until a maximum number of frames is reached. Return warp factor with best score and frames used.

**Arguments:**

LSID	The system id, usually \$SID.
<speaker>	speaker ID
-labelPath	path of label files
-warp	center warp
-window	window width/2
-delta	delta steps
-maxFrame	maximal number of frames to use
-v	verbosity
-optWord	optional HMM word
-variants	use pronunciation variants
-trl	Text field in database entry
-phoneLst	list of phones

#### 9.33.2 findViterbiWarp

Find the best warp factor within a given window around an initial value. Use a first hypothesis given in \$HYPO(\$utt) and do viterbi. Rescore for different warp scales and all utterances of the speaker. Return warp factor with best score and frames used.

**Arguments:**

LSID	The system id, usually \$SID.
<speaker>	speaker ID
-warp	center warp
-window	window width/2
-delta	delta steps
-maxFrame	maximal number of frames to use
-phoneLst	list of phones

#### 9.33.3 vtlnInit

Reads in a file containing warp factors (there is no procedure to write them, though; the file format is '<spk> <scale>' in every line).

**Arguments:**

LSID	The system id, usually \$SID.
-param	file with warp scales





# Chapter 10

## Files

### 10.1 ContextFreeGrammars

This section describes our internal context free grammar format, called SOUP-Format. We are usually using semantic instead of syntactic context free grammars. They are read by **CFGSet**. A not completely specified example looks like:

```
# =====
# example grammar
# =====

# -----
# request path description
#     how do i
#     i want to find the way
#     can you take me
# -----
s[request-path-description]
    ( *PLEASE [_NT_how-to-go]      [obj_desc]      *PLEASE )
    ( *PLEASE [_NT_find-the-way] [obj_desc]      *PLEASE )
    ( *PLEASE [_NT_take-me]       [obj_desc]      *PLEASE )
    ( *PLEASE [_NT_how-about]     [obj_desc]      *PLEASE )
    ( *PLEASE [_NT_how-to-find]   [_NT_obj_desc] *PLEASE )

[_NT_how-to-go]
    ( how do i                      GO )
    ( [_NT_can-you-show|tell] *me how to GO )
    ( i WANT                      to GO )
    ( i NEED                      to GO )

[_NT_can-you-show|tell]
    ( *CAN_YOU SHOW )
    ( *CAN_YOU TELL )

[obj_desc]
    (                               to [_NT_obj_desc] )
    ( from [_NT_obj_desc] to [_NT_obj_desc] )
```

```

[_NT_obj_desc]
    ( *the          [objnm] )
    ( the *NEAREST [objcl] )
    ( A            [objcl] *NEARBY )

[objcl]
    ( [objcl_bakery] )
    ( [objcl_bank] )

[objcl_bakery]
    ( bakery )

CAN
    ( can )
    ( could )

CAN_YOU
    ( CAN you )

SHOW
    ( show )
    ( display )

TELL
    ( tell )
    ( explain *to )

GO
    ( get )
    ( go )

# -----
# greeting / farewell
#     hello
#     good bye
#     bye bye
# -----
s[greeting]
    ( [_NT_greeting] )

[_NT_greeting]
    ( hello )
    ( hi )

s[farewell]
    ( [_NT_farewell] )

[_NT_farewell]
    ( *good +bye )

```

Non terminal symbols could either be surrounded by [] or could be started with a capital letter. Terminal symbols have to be started with a lower case letter. If you start a non terminal with a capital letter with the modifier `_NT_`, it is classified as an auxiliary non terminal and will per default not occur in the parse tree. To express optionality of a terminal or non terminal you have to use `*` and to express repeatability

you have to use + in front of a symbol. It is also possible to combine optionality and repeatability by using **++**.

Rules consist of a left hand side (LHS, the head of the rule) and a right hand side (RHS, the body of the rule). If you want to use a rule also as top level rule, i.e. a rule where you can start to parse from, you have to put the modifier **s** in front of the rule. As you can see above there are three top level rules: **[request-path-description]**, **[greeting]** and **[farewell]**. The lines in a RHS of a rule are interpreted as a disjunction, the terminals and non terminals in one line as a conjunction. It is not necessary to define the rules in a special order.

## 10.2 codebookSet

The description file read by **CodebookSet**. An example looks like:

```
; -----
; Name           : codebookSetISLci
; Type           : CodebookSet
; Number of Items : 199
; Date           : Thu Jul 11 20:21:13 2002
; -----
+QK-b            LDA            48      32 DIAGONAL
+QK-m            LDA            48      32 DIAGONAL
+QK-e            LDA            48      32 DIAGONAL
SCH-b            LDA            48      32 DIAGONAL
SCH-m            LDA            48      32 DIAGONAL
SCH-e            LDA            48      32 DIAGONAL
SIL-m            LDA            48      32 DIAGONAL
T-b              LDA            48      32 DIAGONAL
T-m              LDA            48      32 DIAGONAL
T-e              LDA            48      32 DIAGONAL
```

The columns mean the codebook, the feature, the number of gaussians, the number of dimensions and the covariance type.

## 10.3 desc.tcl

A description file for a system. A typical file looks like:

```
# =====
# JanusRTK      Janus Speech Recognition Toolkit
# -----
#              Object: System description
# -----
#
# Author   : Florian Metze
# Module   : desc.tcl
# Date     : $Id: desc.tcl 2390 2003-08-14 11:20:32Z fuegen $
#
# Remarks  : This is the description file for the ISLci system
#
# =====
#
# $Log$
```

```

# Revision 1.2 2003/08/14 11:19:43 fuegen
# Merged changes on branch jtk-01-01-15-fms (jaguar -> ibis-013)
#
# Revision 1.1.2.7 2003/08/13 14:27:19 fuegen
# formattings
#
# Revision 1.1.2.6 2003/08/13 14:13:46 fuegen
# readed definitions for CFGs
#
# Revision 1.1.2.5 2003/08/11 12:41:08 soltau
# windows support
#
# =====

# to make some scripts happy
set host [info hostname]
set pid [pid]

# -----
# System and Path Definitions
# -----

set SID ISLci

set projectHome /home/njd/Isldata
set ${SID}(path) /home/njd/Isldata/${SID}
set ${SID}(descPath) [file join [set ${SID}(path)] desc]
set ${SID}(dictPath) $projectHome
set ${SID}(lmPath) $projectHome
set ${SID}(cfgPath) $projectHome

# -----
# Welcome
# -----

writeLog stderr " ----- System $SID -----"
writeLog stderr "${argv0} reads desc.tcl: on $env(HOST).[pid], [exec date]"
writeLog stderr "using lib: $auto_path"

# -----
# Database
# -----

set ${SID}(dbName) db
set ${SID}(dbPath) $projectHome

# -----
# Phones & Tags
# -----

set ${SID}(phonesSetDesc) [set ${SID}(descPath)]/phonesSet

```

```

set ${SID}(tagsDesc)          [set ${SID}(descPath)]/tags

# -----
# Feature Set
# -----

set ${SID}(testFeatureSetDesc)  @[file join [set ${SID}(descPath)] featDesc.test]
set ${SID}(meanFeatureSetDesc) @[file join [set ${SID}(descPath)] featDesc.mean]
set ${SID}(featureSetDesc)      @[file join [set ${SID}(descPath)] featDesc]
set ${SID}(featureSetAccess)    @[file join [set ${SID}(descPath)] featAccess]
set ${SID}(featureSetLDAMatrix) [file join [set ${SID}(path)] train lda${SID}.bmat]
set ${SID}(warpFile)            ""
set ${SID}(warpPhones)          "STIMMHAFT"
set ${SID}(meanPath)            [file join [set ${SID}(path)] train means]

# -----
# Stream: Codebook, Distribution, Tree
# -----

set ${SID}(codebookSetDesc)  [file join [set ${SID}(descPath)] codebookSet]
set ${SID}(codebookSetParam) [set ${SID}(path)]/train/Weights/4.cbs.gz
set ${SID}(distribSetDesc)   [file join [set ${SID}(descPath)] distribSet]
set ${SID}(distribSetParam)  [set ${SID}(path)]/train/Weights/4.dss.gz
set ${SID}(padPhone)         @
set ${SID}(ptreeSetDesc)     ""
set ${SID}(distribTreeDesc)  [file join [set ${SID}(descPath)] distribTree]

# -----
# Transition models, topology and duration modelling
# -----

set ${SID}(durSetDesc)        ""
set ${SID}(durPTreeDesc)      ""
set ${SID}(durTreeDesc)       ""

set ${SID}(tmDesc)            [set ${SID}(descPath)]/tmSet
set ${SID}(topoSetDesc)       [set ${SID}(descPath)]/topoSet
set ${SID}(ttreeDesc)         [set ${SID}(descPath)]/topoTree

# -----
# LM, Dictionary and Vocabulary
# -----

set ${SID}(dictDesc)          [set ${SID}(dictPath)]/dict.50phones
set ${SID}(useXwt)            1
set ${SID}(optWord)           \$
set ${SID}(variants)          1

# -----
# Context Free Grammars

```

```

# -----

set cfgPath [set ${SID}(cfgPath)]
set ${SID}(cfg,grammars) [list [list NAV \
                                $cfgPath/cfg.ka.nav \
                                $cfgPath/cfg.base.nav] \
                                [list SHARED \
                                $cfgPath/cfg.shared]]

# -----
# Testing
# -----

set ${SID}(testDictDesc) [set ${SID}(dictDesc)]
set ${SID}(vocabDesc) [set ${SID}(lmPath)]/vocab.germNews
set ${SID}(lmDesc) [set ${SID}(lmPath)]/sz.ibis.gz
set ${SID}(ngramLMsegSize) 6
set ${SID}(lmWeight) 32
set ${SID}(lmPenalty) 3
set ${SID}(bbiSetDesc) ""
set ${SID}(bbiSetParam) ""

# -----
# Label Path
# -----

set ${SID}(labelPath) {/home/njd/Is1System/ISLinit/labels/$spk/$utt.lbl}

set ${SID}(SPK) SPK ; # speaker key
set ${SID}(UTT) UTTS ; # utt key
set ${SID}(TRL) TEXT ; # trl key

```

`desc.tcl` also is a good place to re-define other common functions such as `dbaseUttFilter` or `hmmMakeUtterance`. In principle, you are free to re-configure everything in this script, it is however common practice, to set the Tcl-variable `SID` to the name of the directory, in which this incarnation of `desc.tcl` resides.

## 10.4 dictionary

A **Dictionary** description file. It contains phones and tags.

An examples looks like this:

```

; -----
; Example Dictionary
; -----
${I} {{AY WB}}
${$} {{SIL WB}}
{()} {{SIL WB}}
{} {{SIL WB}}
{Anne} {{AE WB} N {EH WB}}
{Anne(2)} {{AA WB} {N WB}}

```

## 10.5 distribSet

The description file used in a **DistribSet**. An example looks like this:

```
; -----
; Name           : distribSetISLci
; Type           : DistribSet
; Number of Items : 199
; Date           : Thu Jul 11 20:21:13 2002
; -----
+QK-b            +QK-b
+QK-m            +QK-m
+QK-e            +QK-e
SCH-b            SCH-b
SCH-m            SCH-m
SCH-e            SCH-e
SIL-m            SIL-m
T-b              T-b
T-m              T-m
T-e              T-e
```

The second column tells you which codebook to use.

## 10.6 distribTree

A **Tree** description file, used for the distribution tree. An example looks like this:

```
; -----
; Name           : distribTreeISLci
; Type           : Tree
; Number of Items : 401
; Date           : Thu Jul 11 20:21:13 2002
; -----
ROOT-b           {} ROOT-+QK-b ROOT-+QK-b ROOT-+QK-b -
ROOT-+QK-b       {0=+QK} ROOT-+hBR-b +QK-b - -
+QK-b            {} - - - +QK-b
ROOT-m           {} ROOT-+QK-m ROOT-+QK-m ROOT-+QK-m -
ROOT-+QK-m       {0=+QK} ROOT-+hBR-m +QK-m - -
+QK-m            {} - - - +QK-m
ROOT-e           {} ROOT-+QK-e ROOT-+QK-e ROOT-+QK-e -
ROOT-+QK-e       {0=+QK} ROOT-+hBR-e +QK-e - -
+QK-e            {} - - - +QK-e
ROOT-+hBR-b      {0=+hBR} ROOT-+hEH-b +hBR-b - -
+hBR-b           {} - - - +hBR-b
ROOT-+hBR-m      {0=+hBR} ROOT-+hEH-m +hBR-m - -
+hBR-m           {} - - - +hBR-m
ROOT-+hBR-e      {0=+hBR} ROOT-+hEH-e +hBR-e - -
+hBR-e           {} - - - +hBR-e
...
```

## 10.7 featAccess

This tells the **featDesc** where to find the data. An example looks like this:

```

set      adcfile      [file join /project/florian/isldata/adcs $arg(ADC)]
set      accessList   $sampleList
lappend  accessList   "ADCFILE $adcfile"

```

## 10.8 featDesc

The feature description file, read by the **FeatureSet**. An example looks like this:

```

# =====
# JanusRTk      Janus Recognition Toolkit
# -----
#              Object: Feature Description
# -----
#
# Author       : Hagen Soltau
# Module       : featDesc
# Remarks      : based on Hua's new frontend, 40 dimensions
#
# $Log$
# Revision 1.2  2003/08/14 11:18:59 fuegen
# Merged changes on branch jtk-01-01-15-fms (jaguar -> ibis-013)
#
# Revision 1.1.2.4  2002/11/19 13:23:30 metze
# Beautification
#
# Revision 1.1.2.3  2002/11/19 09:17:44 fuegen
# minor changes for overfull hboxes
#
# Revision 1.1.2.2  2002/07/31 13:10:12 metze
# *** empty log message ***
#
# Revision 1.1.2.1  2002/07/30 13:57:39 metze
# *** empty log message ***
#
# Revision 1.1  2002/03/04 16:10:49 soltau
# Initial revision
#
# =====

global WARPSCALE warpScales meanPath
global WAVFILE OLDSPK sas pms

# -----
# Load Mean Vectors
# -----

if {[info exist OLDSPK] || $OLDSPK != $arg(sp)} {

    if {[llength [info command ${fes}Mean]]} {
        ${fes}Mean destroy
        ${fes}SMean destroy
    }
}

```



```

if {[file exist $meanPath/$arg(sp).mean]} {
    Fvector ${fes}Mean 13
    Fvector ${fes}SMean 13
    writeLog stderr "$fes Loading $meanPath/$arg(sp).mean"
    ${fes}Mean blood $meanPath/$arg(sp).mean
    ${fes}SMean blood $meanPath/$arg(sp).smean
    set OLDSPK $arg(sp)
} else {
    writeLog stderr "$fes Loading $meanPath/$arg(sp).mean FAILED"
}
}

# -----
# Load ADC segment...
# -----

if {![info exist WAVFILE] || $WAVFILE != $arg(ADCFILE)} {

    set WAVFILE $arg(ADCFILE)

    if {[file exist $arg(ADCFILE).shn]} {
        $fes readADC ADC $arg(ADCFILE).shn \
            -h 0 -v 0 -offset mean -bm shorten
    } else {
        $fes readADC ADC $arg(ADCFILE) \
            -h 0 -v 0 -offset mean -bm auto
    }

    $fes spectrum FFT ADC 20ms
}

# -----
# Get warp
# -----

if {![info exist WARPSCALE]} {
    if [info exist warpScales($arg(sp))] {
        set WARP $warpScales($arg(sp))
    } else {
        set WARP 1.00
    }
} else { set WARP $WARPSCALE }

writeLog stderr "$fes ADCfile $arg(utt) WARP $WARP"

# -----
# Vocal Tract Length Normalization + MCEP
# -----

$fes VTLN WFFT FFT $WARP -mod lin -edge 0.8

```

```

if { [llength [objects FBMatrix matrixMEL]] != 1} {
    set melN 30
    set points [$fes:FFT configure -coeffN]
    set rate [expr 1000 * [$fes:FFT configure -samplingRate]]
    [FBMatrix matrixMEL] mel -N $melN -p $points -rate $rate
}

$fes filterbank MEL WFFT matrixMEL
$fes log lMEL MEL 1.0 1.0

set cepN 13

if { [llength [objects FMatrix matrixCOS]] != 1} {
    set n [$fes:lMEL configure -coeffN]
    [FMatrix matrixCOS] cosine $cepN $n -type 1
}

$fes matmul MCEP lMEL matrixCOS

# -----
# Mean Subtraction, Delta, Delta-Delta and LDA
# -----

$fes meansub FEAT MCEP -a 2 -mean ${fes}Mean -smean ${fes}SMean
$fes adjacent FEAT+ FEAT -delta 5

if { [$fes index LDAMatrix] > -1} {
    $fes matmul LDA FEAT+ $fes:LDAMatrix.data -cut 32
}

if [info exists pms] {
    foreach p [$pms] {
        $fes matmul OFS-$p LDA $pms:$p.item(0)
        if [info exists sas] {
            $sas adapt $fes:OFS-$p.data $fes:OFS-$p.data 0
        }
    }
} else {
    if [info exists sas] {
        $sas adapt $fes:LDA.data $fes:LDA.data 0
    }
}

```

Errors in the `featDesc` are not always easy to track. A much-used strategy to debug errors in the `featDesc` is to plaster it with `puts 'I am here'` commands, to find out where exactly in the code the offending operation occurs.

## 10.9 .janusrc

This describes the file `.janusrc`, which is the main configuration file for Janus. A copy of this file can be found in `~/janus/scripts/janusrc`. It is usable for both OSs, Unix and Windows.

```

# =====
# JanusRTK    Janus Speech Recognition Toolkit
# -----
#           Object: .janusrc - Resources file
# -----
#
# Author   : Florian Metze and Christian Fuegen
# Module   : ~/.janusrc
# Date     : 2000-08-07
#
# Remarks  : This file is read in by janus on startup
#
#           It contains a few settings and redefines some
#           functions for compatibility with Linux and Windows
#
#           Original by Martin Westphal,
#           Dec. 4, 1996 for Janus3.2
#
# =====
# RCS info: $Id: janusrc 2895 2009-07-27 17:38:13Z metze $
#
# $Log$
# Revision 1.5  2007/02/23 10:15:13  fuegen
# JANUSHOME can now be defined externally
#
# Revision 1.4  2003/08/25 16:09:55  soltau
# Added library path to auto_path
#
# Revision 1.3  2003/08/18 13:03:36  soltau
# removed some windows specific proc's (supported now by cli)
#
# Revision 1.2  2003/08/14 11:19:43  fuegen
# Merged changes on branch jtk-01-01-15-fms (jaguar -> ibis-013)
#
# Revision 1.1.2.12  2003/08/13 09:41:01  soltau
# final fixes
#
# Revision 1.1.2.11  2003/08/12 16:12:37  metze
# Cleanup for P013
#
# Revision 1.1.2.10  2003/08/11 15:09:26  soltau
# made GLOBALFP global
#
# Revision 1.1.2.9   2003/08/11 14:29:32  soltau
# exec windows support
#
# Revision 1.1.2.8   2003/08/11 12:24:08  soltau
# Windows fix for writing log-files:
#   set LOGFILE "janus.log" to pipe stdout from 'puts' to file
#
# Revision 1.1.2.6   2003/06/26 15:09:20  metze
# Changes for V5.0 P013
#
# Revision 1.1.2.5   2003/04/30 15:42:00  metze

```

```

# Final team
#
# Revision 1.1.2.4 2003/04/09 14:42:05 metze
# Typo fixed
#
# Revision 1.1.2.3 2003/04/09 14:41:51 metze
# Switched ngets off by default
#
# Revision 1.1.2.2 2003/04/09 13:22:45 metze
# Cleaned up ngets stuff
#
# Revision 1.2 2003/01/17 15:42:24 fuegen
# Merged changes on branch jtk-01-01-15-fms
#
# Revision 1.1.2.1 2002/11/15 14:33:13 fuegen
# Initial version
#
#
# =====
# -----
# check host and home
# -----

# for Condor & SLURM this is unreliable, therefore always set env(HOST)
set env(HOST) [lindex [split [info hostname] .] 0]

if {[info exists env(HOME)]} {
    set env(HOME) "HOME"
    #puts "set home directory : $env(HOME)"
}

# -----
# Set the auto path so that tcl libraries can be found.
# -----

if {[info exists env(JANUSHOME)]} {
    set JANUSHOME $env(JANUSHOME)
} else {
    # E.g. for Windows:
    # set JANUSHOME "e:/ISL/hagen"

    # For Unix:
    set JANUSHOME [file join $env(HOME) janus]
}

set JANUSLIB [file join $JANUSHOME gui-tcl]
set auto_path [linsert $auto_path 0 [file join $JANUSHOME tcl-lib]]
set auto_path [linsert $auto_path 0 [file join $JANUSHOME library]]
set auto_path [linsert $auto_path 0 $JANUSLIB]
regsub -all {\} $auto_path {/} auto_path

# -----
# WINDOWS dependent settings

```

```

# 1. define global variable LOGFILE to pipe stdout/stderr to file
# 2. manual sourcing of tcl-lib and gui-tcl
# 3. function redefinitions
#     exit - for logging
#     puts - output teeing into logfiles
#     exec - to support some unix commands also under windows
# -----

if {[regexp {indows} $tcl_platform(os)]} {
    # uncomment this to pipe stdout/stderr to file
    # set LOGFILE "janus.log"

    # auto-sourcing
    set flist [concat [glob $JANUSHOME/gui-tcl/*.tcl] [glob $JANUSHOME/tcl-lib/*.tcl]]
    foreach f $flist {
if [string match "*makeIndex*" $f] continue
if [string match "*JRTk*" $f] continue
if [string match "*test*" $f] continue
        catch {source $f}
    }
    catch { rename exit exit-org }
    proc exit { args } {
global GLOBALFP
if [info exists GLOBALFP] { close $GLOBALFP }
exit-org
    }

    catch { rename puts puts-org }
    proc puts { args } {
global LOGFILE GLOBALFP
set argc [llength $args]
if {![info exists LOGFILE]} {
        return [eval "puts-org $args"]
    }
if {![info exists GLOBALFP]} { set GLOBALFP [open $LOGFILE w] }
set fp $GLOBALFP
if {"-nonewline" == [lindex $args 0]} {
    if {$argc == 3} { set fp [lindex $args 1] }
    if {$fp == "stdout" || $fp == "stderr"} { set fp $GLOBALFP }
    puts-org -nonewline $fp [lindex $args end]
} else {
    if {$argc == 2} { set fp [lindex $args 0] }
    if {$fp == "stdout" || $fp == "stderr"} { set fp $GLOBALFP }
    puts-org $fp [lindex $args end]
}
return
    }

    catch { rename exec exec-org }
    proc exec { args } {
global LOGFILE
        set cmd [lindex $args 0]
        set opts [lrange $args 1 end]
set cmdX [lsearch [list touch rm mkdir touch date] $cmd]

```

```

if { $cmdX >= 0 } { return [eval "$args"] }

if { [catch {set res [eval exec-org $args]} msg] } {
    # write error message to log file
    if [info exists LOGFILE] {
puts "ERROR pseudo-exec: \n called '$args' \n and got \n '$msg'\n"
    }
    error "ERROR pseudo-exec: \n called '$args' \n and got \n '$msg'\n"
} else {
    return $res
}
}

# -----
# Unix dependent settings
# - socket based redefinitions of fgets and ngets
# - define socket host and port number
# - start NGETS server via tcl-lib/ngetGUI.tcl
# -----

if {0 && ![regexp {indows} $tcl_platform(os)]} {
    if {[info exists NGETS(HOST)]} {
set NGETS(HOST)        islpc13
set NGETS(PORT)        63060
set NGETS(VERBOSE)     1
set NGETS(MGETS)       0

catch {
    regexp {uid=(\d+)} [exec id] dummy NGETS(PORT)
    set NGETS(PORT) [expr $NGETS(PORT) + 52000]
    unset dummy
}

    if {[regexp "^isl" $env(HOST)] && [string length $NGETS(HOST)] &&
[string compare $env(HOST) $NGETS(HOST)]} {

set NGETS(STARTUP) "using ngets: $NGETS(HOST):$NGETS(PORT)"

# -----
# FGETS from server
# -----
catch {rename fgets fgets-org}
proc fgets {file line_ } {
    upvar $line_ line
    global NGETS

    if {[file pathtype $file] == "relative"} {
set file "[pwd]/$file"
    }
    regsub -all "^/net" $file "" file

```

```

    regsub -all "^/export" $file "/project" file

    return [ngets $file line]
}

# -----
#   GLOB from server, too
# -----
catch {rename glob glob-org}
proc glob { args } {
    global NGETS

    set line ""
    set nc [regsub -- "-nocomplain " $args "" args]
    regsub -- "---" $args "" args

    foreach f $args {
set rel 0
if {[file pathtype $f] == "relative"} {
    set f [file join [pwd] $f]
    set rel 1
}

# Strip '/net' from filenames
regsub -all "^/net" $f "" f

# Local filesystems don't need nglob
if {[regexp "^/export" $f] || [regexp "^/tmp" $f]} {
    set tmp [glob-org -nocomplain -- $f]
} else {
    set tmp [nglob $f]
}
if {$rel} {regsub -all " [pwd]/" " $tmp" " " tmp}
append line [string trim $tmp]
    }

    return $line
}
}

# -----
#   Set the audio device for feathshow.
# -----

switch {tcl_platform(os)} {
    SunOS {
set DEVICE SUN
#set USERDEVICE {exec aplay -file $filename -g $gaindb -e int}
    }
    Linux {
set DEVICEPLAY(User) {exec sox -q -t raw -r $rate -s -w $filename -t ossdsp -s -w /dev/dsp}
    }
}

```

```

# -----
#  General stuff
# -----

proc general_info {} {
    global tcl_platform tcl_version tk_version tcl_precision
    catch {puts "machine: $tcl_platform(machine) \
                $tcl_platform(os) \
                $tcl_platform(osVersion)"}
    catch {puts "tcl $tcl_version"}
    catch {puts "tk $tk_version"}
    catch {puts "tcl_precision: $tcl_precision"}
}

proc writeJanusLog msg {
    global env
    puts stdout $msg
    flush stdout
}

catch { randomInit [pid] }

if {!$tcl_interactive} {
    set clicksatstart [clock clicks -milliseconds]
    catch { rename exit exit-org }
    proc exit { args } {
        global clicksatstart env
        set wt [expr .001*([clock clicks -milliseconds]-$clicksatstart)]
        puts stderr "ended [info nameofexecutable]: $env(HOST).[pid], [clock format [clock seconds]], s
        exit-org
    }
}

# -----
#  print start-up message
# -----

if {!$tcl_interactive} {
    puts stderr "started [info nameofexecutable]: $env(HOST).[pid], [clock format [clock seconds]]
    #puts stderr "script: [info script] directory [pwd]"
    puts stderr "library: $auto_path"
}

if {[info exists NGETS(STARTUP)]} {
    puts $NGETS(STARTUP)
}

```

It is read by JANUS at start-up. You'll then have to set your environment variables correctly. Just for reference, my `.tcshrc` contains the following Janus-related entries:

```

# For Janus:
setenv JANUS_LIBRARY $HOME/janus/library
setenv TCL_LIBRARY   /usr/lib/tcl8.3
setenv TK_LIBRARY    /usr/lib/tk8.3

```



```
# Compiling:
setenv IA32ROOT /home/njd/intel/compiler60/ia32
setenv LD_LIBRARY_PATH ${IA32ROOT}/lib
```

For Windows, you should set the following environment variables, if not already specified:

```
# take care of the '/' and '\'
HOME C:\user\fuegen
JANUS_LIBRARY C:/user/fuegen/janus/library
```

## 10.10 phonesSet

The phones that can be used. An example looks like:

```
PHONES @ A AR AEH AEHR AH AHR AI AU B CH X D E E2 EH EHR ER ER2 EU F G
I IR IE IHR J K L M N NG O OR OE OEH ANG OH OHR P R S SCH T TS
TSCH U UR UE UEH UEHR UH UHR V Z SIL +QK +hBR +hEH +hEM +hGH
+hHM +hLG +hSM +nGN +nKL +nMK
SILENCES SIL
NOISES +QK +hBR +hEH +hEM +hGH +hHM +hLG +hSM +nGN +nKL +nMK
AFFRIKATE TS TSCH
VOICED M N NG L R A AEH AH E E2 EH ER2 I IE O OE OEH ANG OH U UE UEH UH
```

The first item in each line is the name of a “group” of phones in the set, while the remaining items are phones. “PHONES” should contain all phones. Here, “VOICED” is used for VTLN. “AFFRIKATE” and “VOICED”, “NOISES” and “SILENCES” can be used as questions during context clustering. “@” is the pad-phone, which is used whenever there is no context available.

## 10.11 ptreeSet

Used to define polyphone trees. An example looks like this:

```
; -----
; Name : distribTreeISLci
; Type : PTreeSet
; Date : Thu Jul 11 23:18:06 CEST 2002
; -----
+QK-b {+QK} 0 0 -count 1.000000 -model +QK-b
+QK-m {+QK} 0 0 -count 1.000000 -model +QK-m
+QK-e {+QK} 0 0 -count 1.000000 -model +QK-e
...
```

## 10.12 svocab

A **SVocab** description file. It contains a list of words which should also be contained in the dictionary.

An example looks like this:

```
$ 1
(
)
Anne
Anne(2)
```

The “1” in the first line declares “\$” to be a filler-word, i.e. a word which is not handled by the language model. Instead, the **-filPen** is added for every transition into this word. “(” and “)” are the begin-of-sentence and end-of-sentence words.

### 10.13 tags

A **Tags** description file. It contains the modifiers for phones that can be used in the **Dictionary**.

An examples looks like:

```
WB
```

### 10.14 tmSet

The transition set description file. An example looks like:

```
SIL { { 0 0.01 } { 1 0.0 } }
1 { { 0 0.01 } { 1 0.0 } }
3 { { 0 0.01 } { 1 0.0 } { 2 0.015 } }
```

The Tcl-list contains the distance to transition (so “0” is a self-loop) and the score for this transition.

### 10.15 topoSet

The description file for a **TopoSet**:

An example looks like this:

```
6state { ROOT-b ROOT-b ROOT-m ROOT-m ROOT-e ROOT-e } { 3 3 3 3 3 3 }
3state { ROOT-b ROOT-m ROOT-e } { 1 1 1 }
SIL { ROOT-m ROOT-m ROOT-m ROOT-m } { 1 1 1 1 }
```

The second column defines the root-node for the model tree, while the second column defines the transition to use from the **TmSet**.

### 10.16 topoTree

The description file for the topology tree, which can be read in a in the **Tree** object.

An example looks like this:

```
ROOT { 0=SIL } 6state SIL - -
6state { } - - - 3state
SIL { } - - - SIL
```

It defines the topologies to use for different phones, defined by the question in the second column (standard tree answer format: “no, yes, don’t-know, leaf” for columns 3-6).

## 10.17 db-spk, db-utt

Janus contains a database object which stores all the information needed for a particular system. An example script to generate such a dbase is available in `~/janus/scripts/genDBase.tcl`.

The database consists of two parts, each of which is store in a data-file (\*.dat) and an index file (\*.idx):

**db-spk** The “speaker database”

Every entry in this database (corresponding to a line in the file) contains information for one “speaker”. It should contain a field “UTTS”, which lists all the utterances (segments) which belong to this speaker. Also, paths to ADC files, speaker information or warp factors can be stored here.

**db-utt** The “utterance database”

Every entry in this database (corresponding to a line in the file) contains information for one “utterance”. It should contain a field “SPK”, which links to the corresponding entry in the speaker database, a field “UTT”, which repeats the utterance id and further information (transliteration: “TEXT”, ADC segment, ...)

Look at `~/janus/scripts/genDBase.tcl` to see how these files can be generated from free-format data.



# Chapter 11

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# Glossary

**AModelSet** set of acoustic models

**AModel** acoustic model

**BBILeaf** leaf in a BBI search tree

**BBINode** node in a BBI search tree

**BBITree** BBI search tree

**BMem** Block Memory

**Cbcfg** configuration of a codebook

**CBNewParMatrixSet** Set of CBNewParMatrix parameter matrices

**CBNewParMatrix** Parameter matrix used by CBNew codebooks

**CBNewSet** Set of CBNew codebooks

**CBNewStream** Stream based on extended codebooks (CBNew)

**CBNew** Codebook using additional parameter matrices

**CFGArc** A 'CFGArc' object is an arc between two nodes of a context free grammar.

**CFGLexiconItem** A 'CFGLexiconItem' object is a item of a CFG lexicon.

**CFGLexicon** A 'CFGLexicon' object is a lexicon of a Context Free Grammar.

**CFGNode** A 'CFGNode' object is a node in a context free grammar.

**CFGParseTree** A 'CFGParseTree' object is a parse tree.

**CFGPTItem** A 'CFGPTItem' object is a item in a parse tree node.

**CFGPTNode** A 'CFGPTNode' object is a node of a parse tree.

**CFGRSItem** A 'CFGRSItem' object is an item in the stack of CFG rules.

**CFGRuleStack** A 'CFGRuleStack' object is a stack of CFG rules.

**CFGRule** A 'CFGRule' object is a rule of a context free grammar.

**CFGSet** A 'CFGSet' object is a set of context free grammar.

**CFG** A 'CFG' object is a context free grammar.

**CMatrix** Matrix of char values

**CMLLR** Constrained MLLR

**CMU** Carnegie Mellon University

**CodebookAccu** a single codebook's accumulator

**CodebookMapItem** CodebookMapItem

**CodebookMap** CodebookMap

**CodebookSet** Set of codebooks

**Codebook** Codebook

- DBaseIdx** DBase Index Object
- DBase** DBase
- DCovMatrix** Covariance matrix type (double)
- Dictionary** Set of words
- DictWord** Word with tagged phone transcription
- DistribAccu** a single distribution's accumulator
- DistribSet** Set of distributions
- DistribStream** Distribution based stream
- Distrib** A single distribution
- DMatrix** Matrix of double values
- Dscfg** configuration of a distribution
- DurationSet** A 'DurationSet' object is an array of explicite duration models.
- Duration** explicite duration model
- DVector** Vector of double values
- FArray** Array of floats
- FBMatrix** Band matrix of float values
- FCovMatrix** Covariance matrix type (float)
- FeatureSet** set of features
- Feature** Feature
- FFLayer** Single Layer in a FFNet
- FFLink** Single link between FFLayer's in a FFNet
- FFNet** General Feed Forward Multilayer Neural Network
- Filter** LTI filter
- FlatFwd** Search: Flat Forward Module
- FMatrix** Matrix of float values
- FMLLR** Feature-Space Maximum Likelihood Linear Regression
- Forced** Search: EXPERIMENTAL Beam Optimization Pass
- FVector** Vector of float values
- GLat** Generic Lattice (pronounced 'Gillette, everything a man ...')
- GSClusterSet** A 'GSClusterSet' object is a cluster set on the Gaussians of a Code-bookSet.
- HMM3gramState** HMM3gram State
- HMM3gram** HMM3gram
- HMM** An 'HMM' object contains states, transitions and acoustic references
- HypoList** The object HypoList contains a list of hypotheses.
- Hypo** Hypo is a subtype of HypoList only.
- IArray** Array of integers
- Ibis** The standard one-pass decoder in Janus 5.x.
- IMatrix** Matrix of integer values
- ISL** The Interactive Systems Labs at UKA and CMU
- JANUS** Equivalent to JRTEK, or only the janus binary

**Janus** Equivalent to JRtK, sometimes used for pre-Ibis janus binaries

**janus** The 'janus' binary

**JRtK** The Janus Recognition Toolkit

**KeyspotterLP** A keyspotter-lp object

**Keyspotter** A keyspotter object

**Labelbox** Labelbox

**LatNode** Lattice Node

**Lattice** Lattice

**Lat** Lat

**LCMSet** set of left context models

**LCM** left context model

**LDAClass** LDA class

**LDA** LDA

**Lh** a codebook-likelihoods accumulator

**LingKS** Generic Linguistic Knowledge Source:

**List** List of indexed items

**LModelBackoffItem** Language Model Selection

**LModelBackoff** Language Model Selection

**LModelIntItem** Language Model interpolation

**LModelInt** Language Model Intper

**LModelItem** 3G Language Model Item

**LModelLongItem** Mgram Language Model Item

**LModelLong** Mgram Language Model

**LModelMapItem** Language Model mapping

**LModelMap** Language Model Mapper

**LModel** 3G Language Model

**Lm** The object Lm contains a language model.

**LookAhead** LookAhead (fast match) part for tree and flat search

**LTree** Language-Model Look-Ahead object (Lexical tree)

**MAM** Model-Based Acoustic Mapping

**MAP** Maximum A-Posteriori Estimation

**MetaLMElem** Meta language model element (sub-LM).

**MetaLMItem** Meta language model item.

**MetaLM** Meta language model: flexible LM using sub-LMs.

**MicvSet** Set of Mixture of Inverse CoVariances Codebooks

**MicvStream** Stream based on MIC codebooks (Micv)

**MLAdaptItem** MLAdaptItem

**MLAdapt** Maximum Likelihood Adaptation

**MLE** Maximum Likelihood Estimation

**MLLR** Maximum Likelihood Linear Regression

**MMIE** Maximum Mutual Information Estimation

- ModalitySet** A 'ModalitySet' object is a set of modalities.
- Modality** A 'Modality' object answers a question about the modality of a recording.
- ModelArray** Array of models.
- NGramLMItem** N-gram Language Model Item
- NGramLMSubs** N-gram Language Model Substitution Item
- NGramLM** N-gram Language Model
- PathItemList** PathItemList
- PathItem** PathItem
- Path** A 'Path' object is filled by a forced alignment function and is used by training functions
- PHMMSet** set of phone hidden markov models
- PHMM** phone hidden markov model
- PhoneGraph** PhoneGraph
- PhonesSet** A 'PhonesSet' object is a set of 'Phones' objects.
- Phones** A 'Phones' object is an array of strings, each of which is a phoneme.
- Phone** Phone
- PhraseLMItem** Phrase language model item.
- PhraseLM** This module takes a LM and adds phrases (aka. multi-words) to it.
- PTreeNode** PTreeNode
- PTreeSet** A 'PTreeSet' object is a set of polyphone context trees.
- PTree** Polyphonic Tree
- QuestionSet** A 'QuestionSet' object is a set of characteristic function definitions and a set of questionSet.
- Question** A 'Question' object is a definition of a single question.
- RCMSet** set of right context models
- RCM** right context model
- RewriteSet** Set of rewrite rules
- Rewrite** Rewrite Rule
- SampleSetClass** a class in a SampleSet
- SampleSet** containers for samples
- Search** Search Module
- SenoneSet** Set of senones
- SenoneTag** SenoneTag
- Senone** Senone
- SignalAdapt** Signal Adaption
- SMem** Search Memory Manager
- SNode** Search Root
- SPass** Single Pass Decoder
- SRoot** Search Root
- STab** Backpointer table
- StateGraph** StateGraph

**StateTable** A 'StateTable' object is a matrix for looking up distribution indices.

**StreamNormItem** A stream normalizer

**STree** Search Tree

**SVector** Vector of short values

**SVMap** Search Vocabulary Mapper

**SVocab** Search Vocabulary

**SWord** Search Vocabulary Word

**Tags** A 'Tags' object is an array of strings.

**Tag** Tag

**TextGraph** Text Graph

**TmSet** A TmSet is a set of state transition model objects (Tm)

**TopoSet** A 'TopoSet' object is a set of different topologies.

**Topo** A 'Topo' object is a definition of a single topology description.

**TreeFwd** Search: Tree Forward Module

**TreeNode** TreeNode

**Tree** A 'Tree' object is an allophone clustering tree.

**UKA** Universität Karlsruhe (TH)

**Vocab** A Vocab is the list of words the recognizer can recognize

**WordGraph** WordGraph

**WordList** WordList to communicate between tree and flat pass of searches

**Word** Word with tagged phone transcription

**XCMSet** set of left/right context models

**XCM** left and right context model

**XWModelSet** set of blah

**XWModel** blah

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