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THE MACHINE GRAMMAR & CORPUS OF LOGLAN

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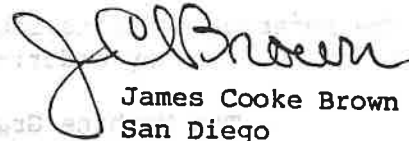
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FOREWORD

The grammar described in these pages was developed by Scott Layson and myself in San Diego from mid-January to mid-March of this year. It was based on Jeff Prothero's August 1981 grammar, which was in turn based on Sheldon Linker's June 1980 grammar, which was in turn based on his own February 1978 grammar, which was the first grammar of Loglan to be successfully "yacc'd"; see Glossary.

Linker's 1978 grammar was in turn based on the 1967 Formal Grammar, originally part of Loglan 2, that had been published in The Loglanist in 1977. The 1967 grammar was in turn based on the 1962-63 sequence of grammars, developed on the University of Florida computers, by which the language itself was built. So MacGram already has a long history. But it is this March 1982 grammar which, for the first time demonstrates the machine-readability of the "whole language", which means that part of it that we have so far managed to capture in this Corpus.

The language, its corpus, and its grammar are all likely to grow fairly rapidly from this decisive point. Please communicate to me directly any errors, deficiencies, or possible improvements that you may find.



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Loglan grammar as of March 1982

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INTRODUCTION

This is the annotated (P for 'Publication') version of the Trial.19 machine grammar of Loglan produced in San Diego last March. In this annotated form, of course, the grammar will not yacc. The "actions" and all the special punctuation marks required by Yacc have been removed for easier reading.

The notes are intended to give rough insights into why the rules are written the way they are, and why they work the way they do. Keener insight can, of course, only be obtained by close study of the way the Parser and Preparser actually behave under the control of these rules and of the Preparser algorithms... interactively with LIP, for example, or by studying the Corpus. But as a first step toward understanding, anyway, I offer the loglanists this annotated time-slice of the still-moving MacGram.

Pages 3 through 7 of this listing give the 63 Lexemes (word-classes) of the current grammar in the alphabetical order of their names: the upper-case expressions A, BA, CA, etc. The words used as lexeme names are nearly always the simplest members of their lexemes. They are also semantically typical, so that replacing the actual words of an utterance with the names of the lexemes to which they belong will nearly always produce an intelligible pseudo-utterance with, of course, the same grammatical structure. The one non-typical lexeme name is PREDA, which names the lexeme to which all predicate words belong; but 'preda' is of course a nonce word that means nothing. This semantically empty label probably catches the vast and varied world of predicate meanings better than any concrete predicate would do.

The word or words in lower-case after the colon in each entry show some or all of the allolexes of that lexeme. Some lexemes, like CI, CUI, GA, GE, etc., are monolexic. These are nearly always one of Loglan's "spoken punctuation marks". Others, like JIO, LAE and PO, have very few members. In these cases the list of allolexes is exhaustive. Some lexemes, like DJAN, NI, PA, PREDA and UI, are unlimited. Each has in principle an infinite number of allolexes, and in fact a great number of each are found in the current dictionaries. It is probably a distinctive characteristic of Loglan among speakable languages that the number of its unlimited lexemes is very small, while the number of its small, finite lexemes is proportionally very large.

The Grammar itself begins on Page 8. It currently consists of 159 grammar rules defining 62 Gramemes (or "nonterminals"). The grameme names are in lower-case except for an occasional capital-letter or numerical suffix which shows the grameme so-marked to be part of some developmental sequence. This printing convention distinguishes the grameme names from the names of the lexemes (or "terminals"), all of which are in upper-case.

The left-half of every grammar rule is a single grameme. Rules with the same

left-half are grouped together in the listing and their common left-half is given only once. The right-half of every rule is a string of one or more gramemes and/or lexemes, up to 5 in the longest case. The sign '=>' may be read 'becomes' or 'may be replaced by'. The grameme names are completely arbitrary and do not, apparently, appear at all in human consciousness. They are evidently quite unnecessary for the learning of a grammar. Still, to facilitate the study of the formal properties of this still-trial grammar, every effort has been made to give the 62 gramemes useful names, in particular, names which reflect the sequences in which the rules are developed. This has not always been easy; some names remain obscure. Suggestions for better grameme names are welcome.

A generator would take these grammar rules and, starting with the Initial Grameme ("utterance", the last rule in the grammar), it would expand it by successive applications of such rules as suited its purpose, and end up with a string of lexemes, which would then be converted (by something else) into words. A parser would take that utterance and the same grammar rules, and (after getting something else to convert the words back into lexemes) it would search the rules for ones that fit, and, by applying them in the opposite direction, try to reduce the string of lexemes back into the Initial Grameme once again. Obviously, there is no trick in being a generator, or in writing a grammar that will drive a generator. The trick is in writing a set of grammar rules that a parser can use infallibly to retrace the steps of a generator backwards, no matter what the generator ends up saying provided it obeys the rules. This is a grammar that permits just such "infallible parsing" of grammatical utterances.

It is the business of a human grammar to provide a common rule-structure for listener and speaker so that the listener can "clamp together" the fragments of each "burst" of speech he hears with a fair chance of traversing exactly the same route, but in the opposite direction, as that taken by the speaker in "exploding" that utterance inside his head. It is the achievement of this grammar that, with Yacc's formal demonstration of its freedom from syntactical ambiguity, that "fair chance" of the listener using the same "route map" in the disassembly of a human utterance as its speaker used in its assembly, has in principle become certainty. What remains to be discovered is whether the human brain can acquire this particular way of forming grammatical route maps, and so enjoy the formal properties of such a grammar. For if it can, then for the first time in a human language, what might be called the "customary disambiguation burden" on the human listener, heretofore both very large and un-put-downable, will have been reduced to zero.

Please refer to the Glossary for the meanings of the numerous technical words and abbreviations used for brevity in the notes, both here and in the Corpus.

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 THE LEXICON

Lexeme A : ha a e o u (also CPDs anoi, apa, efa, noanoi, etc.)	The eks; notice that the new interrogative ha is simply one of them. efa, apa, etc., are new A+PA CPDs; see PA. efa, for example, means 'and-then'; enusoa = 'and-therefore'.
Lexeme BAD	Used by Yacc to keep on "chewing" even if it finds something wrong; I think Scott disabled this in favor of outright refusal.
Lexeme BUA : bua bue	The non-designating predicate variables.
Lexeme CA : ca ce co cu (also CPDs noca, canoi, nocanoi, etc.)	The sheks. Note that ha can't be used to ask about sheks. Nor about keks, for that matter.
Lexeme CI : ci	The pred-string hyphen. Monolexic.
Lexeme CUI : cui	The pred-string left paren. Monolexic.
Lexeme DA : ba be bo bu da de di do du mi tu mu ti ta tau tiu tua mia mua toi toa	All the variables except letter-variables; see TAI for these.
Lexeme DJAN : (all C-final words found by lexer)	All name-words.
Lexeme END : 0 .	A special lexeme used by the Preparser to mark the end of the specimen, which may be composed of multiple utterances.
Lexeme GA : ga	The optional end-of-description punctuator, formerly the "timeless tense" operator.
Lexeme GE : ge	The pred-string "group-starter". Monolexic.
Lexeme GI : gi	The "De-localizer". Prefixed to modifiers that are to be taken as having an utterance-wide significance.
Lexeme GO : go	The pred-string inverter. Monolexic.
Lexeme GOU	The possibly temporary right-mark of the

: gou	prenex quantifier; it needs a better word.
Lexeme GU	The general comma. Occurs as an optional element after argsets including null ones; and so, after all predicate expressions.
: gu	
Lexeme GUE	The pred-string "group-ender". Another of the optional punctuators like GA and GU.
: gue	
Lexeme GUU	The possibly temporary right-mark of shifted arguments. Needs a better word.
: guu	
Lexeme HU	The argument interrogative. Not in DA only because the Preparser uses it to form CPDs. The nahu = 'when?' CPDs formed with hu are new to the language.
: hu	
(used only by CPD-lexer to find nahu-CPDs; otherwise like DA)	
Lexeme I	The utterance continuer. It really stands between "utterances" (in the narrow sense).
: i	
(also CPDs ica, icinusoa, etc.)	
Lexeme IE	The identity interrogative. Means 'Who?' or 'Which?' Has a more limited function than formerly.
: ie	
Lexeme JA	The metaphorizer, a gobbled right-mark. Its CPDs modify its semantics only.
: ja	
(also CPDs raja, toja, etc.)	
Lexeme JE	The first link in forming linked args.
: je	
Lexeme JI	The 'who is...' operator.
: ji	
Lexeme JIO	The subordinate clause "conjunction".
: jia jio	
Lexeme JUE	The 2nd-&-subsequent (sutori) link in forming linked args. There is no explicit 3rd or 4th link now.
: jue	
Lexeme KA	The general kek, used with KI to forethink connections. The KUI-CPDs are phonemically awkward. We need a better way of identifying the causal (and possibly other PA-form) keks; see PA for the words now lexemically equivalent to kou.
: ka ke ko ku	
(also CPDs kanoi, nuku, kuikou, kuinukou, etc. Possibly also kuipa, kuivi, kuisea, etc.)	
Lexeme KI	The kek-infix, as in 'ka...ki...'. ki
(also the CPD kinei)	
Lexeme KIE	Left-paren. The Preparser gobbles the parenthetic expression into this lexeme.
: kie	

Lexeme KIU : kiu	Right-paren. Never seen by Parser.
Lexeme KUI : kui (used only in KA-CPDs)	A prefix used to make keks out of the causal PAs...possibly other PAs as well. A temporary morphophonemic solution; see KA above.
Lexeme LAE : lae sae	The "pointer" descriptor.
Lexeme LE : le lo la lua lea	All other descriptors except LIO. These are not recursive; the pointer is.
Lexeme LEPO (recognized by CPD-lexer)	The event-descriptor; makes subordinate clauses.
Lexeme LI : li	Left-quote. The Preparser does not gobble these quotations; the Parser parses them.
Lexeme LIE : lie	Left-strong-quote, used with a freely-chosen pair of identical terminators. The Preparser gobbles the quoted string into LIE before even attempting to lex it; thus the string quoted can be foreign...or nonsense.
Lexeme LIO : lio	The number-descriptor.
Lexeme LIU : liu	The single-word quote. The quoted Loglan word is gobbled into LIU before parsing.
Lexeme LOI : loi	Greeting word; and, now, sign of vocatives after names and of the new "Carter-Vocs".
Lexeme LU : lu	Right-quote in 'li...lu' quotation.

Machine-Lexemes

Lexeme M4 : M4 (inserted before PA before pred-signs)	The first of the "Machine-Lexemes". M4 is a sign of a PA used as a predicate-inflector. The M's start with M4 because the 3 earliest ones were found unnecessary.
	The Preparser can recognize things like "pred-signs" without doing any parsing.
Lexeme M5 : M5 (inserted before KA before pred-signs)	The Preparser inserts the M-lexemes algorithmically; the Parser treats them as words; and the Postparser eliminates them and all signs of their having been there.
Lexeme M6 : M6	Considering that all free mods have been gobbled before M-insertion, lookahead extension is never more than LR2 except for M7 and

(inserted before A before pred-signs)	the possibility that the negatives looked-over for M11-12 may be recursively repeated.
Lexeme M7 : M7 (inserted before BUA in prenex quantifiers)	M7 has the "long lookahead". It can be as long as any prenex quantifier.
Lexeme M8 : M8 (inserted before KA before JE/JUE)	All other lookaheads are well within the range of what we humans easily do. In 8 out of 9 cases, M-insertion is just "looking over", i.e., on the other side of, a single word, or a recursive clump of words, before deciding what to do. Most often that looked- over word is an A or a KA.
Lexeme M9 : M9 (inserted before A before JE/JUE)	
Lexeme M10 : M10 (inserted before A before PA/JI/JIO)	For M4 it was a PA that was looked over.
Lexeme M11 : M11 (inserted before NO before GA/POGA/M4)	For M11 & M12, it is the negative NO, which may be a recursive clump of NO's.
Lexeme M12 : M12 (inserted before NO before PA)	
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Lexeme ME : me	The "predicator". Monolexic.
Lexeme NI : ho ni ne to te fo fe so se vo ve pi re ro ru sa se si so su ma mo kua (also CPDs neni, nenisei, iesu, ietoni, etc.)	All number words; indeed, all mathematical expressions including dimensioned numbers. NI will of course eventually have its own internal grammar: the "expression" part of MEX.
Lexeme NO : no	The negative: one of the most slippery words in any grammar.
Lexeme NOI : noi	The negative suffix: used only by the Pre- parser in lexing CPDs.
Lexeme NU : nu fu ju (also CPDs nufu, nufuju, etc.)	The conversion operators.
Lexeme PA	

: va vi vu pa na fa via vii viu ciu dia duo kae lia lui mou neu pie
 rui sau sea sie tie kou moi rau soa
 (also CPDs pana, pazi, pacenoina, etc.)

A great congeries of words are now PA: the
 tensors, locators, modals and causals.
 This leads to a major unification of the
 grammar.

Lexeme PAUSE

: , #

This is "lexemic pause"; formed by the Pre-
 parser and used sparingly in the grammar.
 It is always accompanied in the grammar rules
 by GU as a high-noise alternative.

Lexeme PO

: po pu zo

The abstraction operators; always short-
 scope when not in LEPO or POGA CPDs.

Lexeme POGA

: (recognized by CPD-lexer)

A new CPD: it gives PO long scope.

Lexeme PREDA

: he bi bie dua

(also all pred-wds found by lexer and CPDs rari, nenira, sutori, etc.)

All predicate words except the numerical
 predicates and BUA. Notice that PREDA in-
 cludes the little word predicates and the
 new predicate interrogative he. dua is in
 PREDA temporarily. dua & kin should probably
 have their own lexeme.

Lexeme PUA

: pua pue pui puo puu

The HB-Tags: the argument ordinals.

Lexeme RA

: ra ri

These two words are not in NI only because the
 the Preparser needs them to recognize numeri-
 cal predicates.

Lexeme TAI

(simple forms like ama bai cai tai tei teo tao are recognized by
 the lexer; also CPDs like baicai, ebaicai, ebaiocai, haitosaiifo, etc.)

All the letter-variables and the acronyms
 made from them and from number words.
 Acronym-making is new; the Corpus exhibits
 the procedure.

Lexeme UI

: ua ue ui uo uu oa oe oi ou ia ii io iu ea ei eo eu ae ai ao au
 bea beu cia coa dau diu dou feu foi gea kau kia kuo lau nau nea nie
 pae pou rae sui voi loa sia siu
 (also CPDs nahu, vihu, kouhu, duohu, nusoahu, etc.)

Another congeries. This one contains the
 attitudinals, discursives, loa, sia & siu,
 and the new hu-CPDs. Another major unifica-
 tion: this one a vast simplification via the

notion of "grammatical noise"...noise which is now being filtered out before parsing by the "gobbling up" of these free mods by the Parser. This move leaves the Grammar free to deal with the real grammatical issues presented by the utterance.

Lexeme ZI
: za zi zu

The tense auxiliaries; these occur only in CPDs.

THE TRIAL-19 GRAMMAR

Section A. Punctuators

err => error

ga => err
=> GA

gu => err
=> GU

gue => err
=> GUE

These are the 3 optional punctuators & the benign "error" grameme that makes them possible. That is, Yacc regards the absence of a punctuator where one "should" occur as an "error". But it then goes on...presumably to find and report more "errors". Thus we are using a feature of Yacc originally designed for an entirely different purpose, namely to build compilers that diagnose faulty programs. But we are using its error-tolerance to provide our grammar with an elegantly humanoid optimality of punctuation.

GA bounds descriptions; GU bounds argsets, and so, predexps; and GUE matches some GE in a predstring. And none needs to be expressed unless it is actually to be used to alter the structure of the utterance.

Section B. Linked Arguments

links1 => JUE arg
=> JUE arg links1 gu

The order of gramemes is the one in which the listener would search them, i.e., from the "leaves" of the parse-tree to the "root".

links => links1
=> links M9 A links1
=> M8 KA links KI links1

So we start with linked args, which occur in pred-strings, which occur in arguments; and so on.

linkargs1 => JE arg gu
=> JE arg links gu

Notice that we are already relying on M-lexemes to tell us that these eks & keks are followed by JE/JUE.

linkargs => linkargs1 The 1st optional gu's appear
=> linkargs M9 A linkargs1 here as well; these are the
=> M8 KA linkargs KI linkargs1 only gu's that occur inside
 pred-strings. It is one of
 the major unifications of this grammar to treat the internal "specifications" of pred-strings and the external links between the arguments of a predicate as instances of the same grammeme. Thus linkargs get into the grammar at only one place: in predB in the next section.

Section C. Predicatively-Used Predicate Strings

predA => BUA We now commence building predstrings.
 => PREDA Notice that BUA/PREDA have parallel
 => NU BUA roles. In fact it is only BUA's role
 => NU PREDA in prenexes that keeps it out of
 => GE kekableF gue PREDA. 'kekable-' means a predstring
 => ME argument gu that may have a kekked pair of predas
 at its head. The distinction will
 be important for descriptions.

predB => predA predB is a single pred word, or ge/-
 => predA linkargs gue-ed string, or me-ed argument, to
 which linkargs can be attached. This
 is a superset of what we actually do.

predC => predB predC provides for the recursive neg-
 => NO predC ation of predB's.

predD => predC predD provides for the abstraction of
 => PO kekableA predC's. kekableA is simply the kek-
 able version of predC; see below. In
 other words, after a PO the predC CAN
 be "head-kekked".

predE => predD predE provides for both CI-ing
 => predD CI kekableD and "CUI...shekking". Note that
 => CUI kekableC CA kekableD kekables may occupy non-initial
 positions in the growing pred-
 strings.

predF => predE More shekking, this time without CUI.
 => predF CA kekableD

predG => predF Recursive concatenation. This builds
 => predG kekableE the strings. Notice that the right-
 hand forms are always kekables.

predstring => predG Inversion with GO. "kekable" on the
 => predG GO kekable right is the largest kekable string.
 predstring will be used later as the
 predicate portion of a predexp, i.e., before argsets are

attached. It is used in only one place in the grammar: in the first rule ("barepred") of Sec. G. We turn now to the predstrings used in descriptions.

Section D. Descriptively-Used Predicate Strings

kekableA	=> predB => M5 KA kekable KI kekableA => NO kekableA	Pred-strings used in descriptions have one privilege that pred-strings used predicatively don't have: they can have kekked head-predas.
kekableB	=> kekableA => PO kekableA	So kekableA repeats predC but with the kekking allogram added. And kekableB repeats predD.
kekableC	=> kekabled => kekableC kekabled	kekableC produces a concatenation that is used in one place only in both series, namely in CUI...CA in both kekabled and in predE above.
kekabled	=> kekableB => kekableB CI kekabled => CUI kekableC CA kekabled	kekabled repeats predE but uses kekables in both halves.
kekableE	=> kekabled => kekableE CA kekabled	kekableE repeats predF.
kekableF	=> kekableE => kekableF kekableE	kekableF repeats predG.
kekable	=> kekableF => kekableF GO kekable	kekable is the end of the sequence, and so corresponds to predstring. It is in fact, a pred-string with the possibility of kekked head-predas. Since such strings would fall apart if used predicatively, the kekable grameme is used only in descriptions; see Sec. F below.

Section E. Term & Utterance Modifiers

gap	=> GU => PAUSE	These forms, unlike the gobbled free mods, have meaningful attachments: when non-initial, to some "term" of the utterance; when initial, to the utterance as a whole. A term is either an argument or a predicate.
mod1	=> PA gap => PA argument gap	
mod2	=> mod1 => M12 NO mod2	Notice that GU and PAUSE are "gap" options here, as for high vs. low noise conditions,

or with machine vs. human interlocutors.
gap occurs once more: in neghead in Sec. H.

mod	=> mod2 => GI mod2	GI is a semantic signal that the mod, however attached, is to be taken as modifying the utterance as a whole.
argmod1	=> JI arg2 => JIO sentence gu	The mod-forms may apply to predicates or utterances as well as to arguments. The argmod-forms attach only to arguments.
argmod2	=> mod => argmod1	A defect of the current grammar is that mods are not yet kekked and ekked, and that argmods are only ekked. This will be repaired.
argmod	=> argmod2 => argmod M10 A argmod2 gu	argmod is used only in arg2 in the next section. mod is used in both Secs. G & H, where it will be attached to both predicates and utterances.

Section F. Arguments & Argument Sets

mex	=> RA => NI	The only reason RA & NI are in separate lexemes is that they are differently involved in the recognition of CPDs.
descriptn	=> LE kekable => LE mex kekable => LE arg1 kekable => LE mex arg1	Note that kekable is the operand of description. This is the pre-string with possible kekked head-predas that was built in Sec. D. In a description such a string cannot "fall apart".
name	=> DJAN => name DJAN	Name is left-recursive, the general human pattern whenever indefinite continuation is possible.
arg1	=> DA => HU => TAI => M7 BUA => LE name => LIO TAI => LIO mex => descriptn ga => LIU => LIE => LI utterance LU => LEPO sentence	The list of argument forms. HU is the interrogative arg. TAI is a letter-variable or an acronym. M7 BUA is that special use of BUA in prenexes. Note that 'la' is now an allolex of LE. The LIO TAI form is for the representation of mex by letter-variables. The operands of LIU and LIE are gobbled; so they alone need to be shown to the parser. But note that LI...LU forms are actually parsed. The LEPO-form is the "big one" here.
arg2	=> arg1	arg2 provides for modifying arg1

	=> arg1 argmod gu	and for kekking arguments in general. It uses arg & argument below.
	=> KA argument KI arg	
arg	=> arg2	arg's are the arg2's quantified
	=> mex arg2	with mex, tagged with PUA, recursively
	=> PUA arg2	questioned with IE or made into
	=> IE arg	pointers with LAE.
	=> LAE arg	
argument	=> arg	And finally an argument is either
	=> argument A arg	an arg or a string of ekked args.
arguments	=> argument	And arguments is a left-recursively
	=> arguments argument	concatenated string of such strings.
argset1	=> gu	We come now to argset, one of the
	=> arguments gu	more powerful structures in this
argset	=> argset1	grammar. Note that argset can be
	=> argset A argset1	null: an optional gu. What this
	=> KA argset KI argset1	means is that predicate expressions,
		which are made up of pred-
		strings and argsets in the next
		section, always end with an option-
		al gu even if they have no arguments attached. Note also
		that argsets may THEMSELVES be kekked and ekked, and that
		this maneuver must be somehow kept distinct from the kek-
		king and ekking of the arguments themselves. That it IS
		kept straight is one of McG's more mysterious accomplish-
		ments.

Section G. Predicate Expressions

barepred	=> predstring argset	The basic predicate, "barepred", is
	=> predstring mod argset	a predicate without a tense op or
		other leading mark. It's made of a
		predstring + an argset with an option-
		al mod between them.

[Note: The ternary form of the second barepred allo-gram is a mistake. It leaves the "clamping question" unanswered for the human mind...indeed, for a mentally humanoid machine: What does mod modify? Predstring or argset? This rule slipped by our efforts to "humanize" the parses produced by the grammar and will be replaced with a couple of binary rules in Trial.20. Probably no specimen revealing the "meaningless" parses produced by this allogram occurs in the Corpus.]

markpred	=> POGA sentence	Next come the "markpreds". These are
	=> M4 PA barepred	either POGA-forms or barepreds marked

	=> GA barepred	either by a GA or by a PA foretold by its M4. The GA-allogram will be used only for forming negatives. After descriptions the Parser will always take any GA to be the optional description terminator no matter which GA the speaker thinks he's used!
backneg	=> markpred => M11 NO backneg	
backpred	=> barepred => backneg	Only markpreds can be negated, i.e., given long-scope no. The 1st round of this is in backneg, which is used only in "backpreds", i.e., in the right part of an ekked pair.
bareekpred	=> barefront M6 A backpred	If the front end is bare, it's a "bare ek-pred"; if not, it's a "mark ek-pred"; see below.
barefront	=> bareekpred argset => barepred	Barefront and markfront help to manage this. Note the two tracks through the grammar which preserve this distinction. Not only negation but the definition of imperatives will depend on it.
markepred	=> markfront M6 A backpred	
markfront	=> markepred argset => markpred	
frontneg	=> markfront => M11 NO frontneg	Now we can negate the "mark-fronts" to get the frontnegs.
imperative	=> barefront => frontneg	And finally we can define "imperatives", i.e., predicate expressions without 1st arguments.
kekpred	=> M5 KA predexp KI predexp	And a predicate expression is either an imperative or a kekked pair of such imperatives. The latter will have their own joint argset, even if null, and may of course be nested.
predexp	=> imperative => kekpred argset	

Section H. Sentences & Utterance Parts

statement	=> argument predexp => NO statement	A statement is an argument plus a predicate expression, possibly recursively negated.
sentA	=> statement => imperative => keksent	For the purposes of kekking sentences in all possible ways, we form the class of statements, imperatives, and kekked sentences.

kekSENT => KA sentA KI sentA
 => M5 KA sentA KI sentA
 => NO kekSENT

We then provide for kekking sentences through two distinct algorithms. The one with M5--which shows that there is a pred-sign beyond the KA--will catch the ones with imperatives as antecedents. The one without M5 will catch the ones with statements as antecedents. And, of course there is provision for recursive negation of the result.

sentence => sentA
 => PA sentA
 => mod sentA

We then allow these objects to be frontally modified in 2 ways. We now have something that can be called a sentence.

uttA => A
 => NO
 => mex
 => mod
 => arguments
 => sentence
 => arguments GOU sentence
 => arguments GUU sentence

We next create a list of utterance types, starting with various fragments of sentences, and ending with two special classes of sentences, namely those with prenex quantifiers marked by GOU, and those with shifted arguments marked by GUU. This is oversimple still. The next yacking problem is to bury prenexes more deeply in the grammar by studying their interactions with negation and argument-shifting.

headmod => UI
 => LOI
 => KIE
 => DJAN

Since free mods are gobbled into the preceding lexeme, they now have to be accommodated when initial.

uttB => uttA
 => headmod
 => headmod uttA

So the 2nd class of utterances are the ones that may or may not be fitted with these "headmods", or that may simply be such a headmod.

neghead => NO gap
 => headmod NO gap

A special provision must now be made for global utterance negatives. These may or may not be preceded by headmods. "gap"--which is either a PAUSE or gu, remember--is used to set them off from more closely-attached negatives.

uttC => uttB
 => neghead uttC

These negheads can then be recursively attached to utterances.

utterance => uttC

And finally, continuing utter-

=> I uttC

ances marked with I-words are provided for. But in this grammar, these "continuing" forms are simply "utterances".

What has not been done is provide for the left-recursive concatenation of these continuing utterances into strings which are utterances in a broader sense. This omission is both temporary and deliberate. It makes the parses of the Corpus easier to read when the specimens happen to be strings of short "utterances" as defined in this narrow sense. The Parser now parses such utterance-strings one utterance at a time and then simply concatenates the parses to create the parse of such a specimen.

End of Trial.19 Grammar

