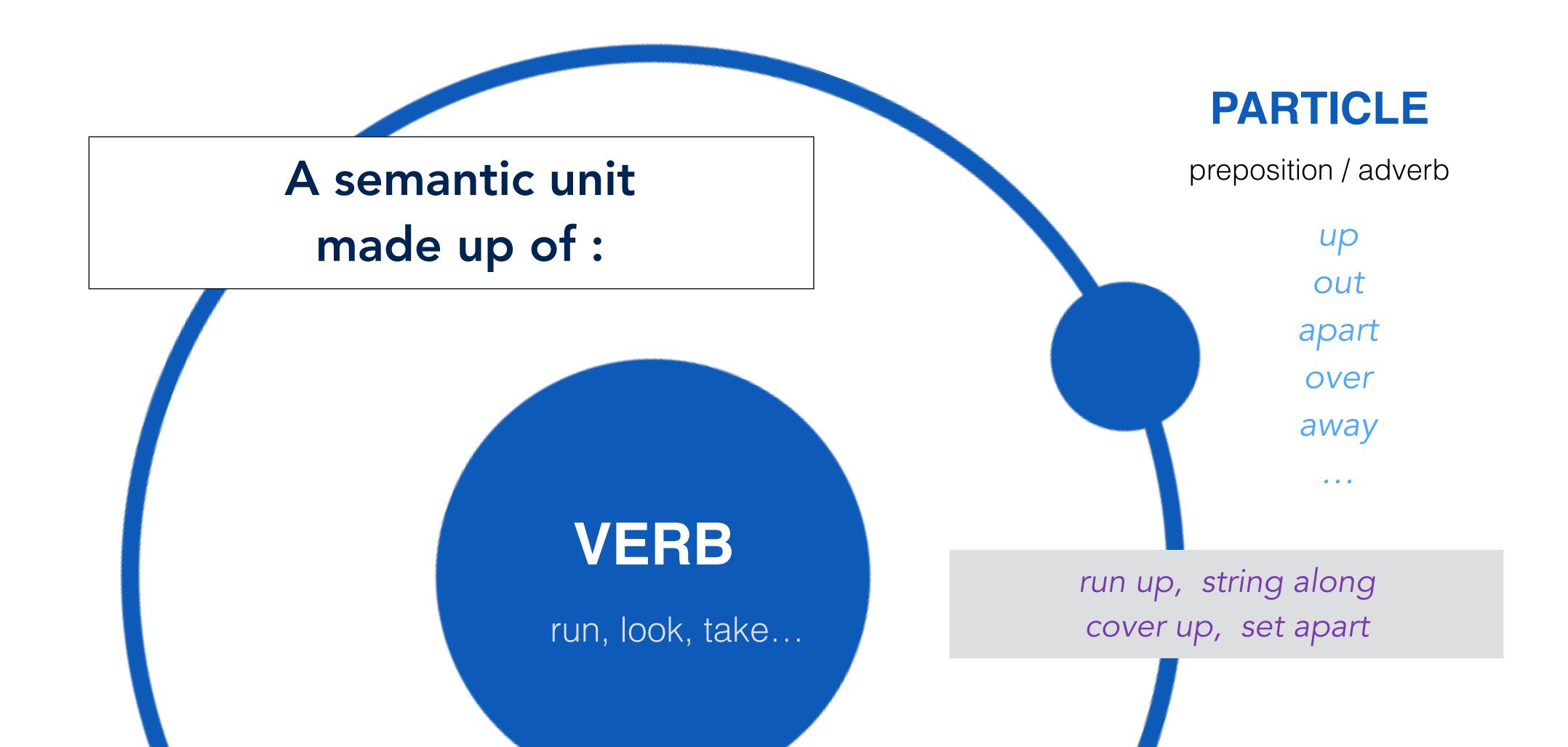
VERB-PARTICLE CONSTRUCTIONS (VPC) also known as Phrasal Verbs

- Structures that are not present in French
- More than 3000 VPCs in English (McArthur & Atkins, 1974)



2 POSSIBLE POSITIONS FOR THE PARTICLE

ADJACENT

to the verb

favouring semantic processing

Max finished up the project



SHIFTED

after the object NP

favouring
syntactic
processing

Max finished the project up



NP = Noun Phrase

- syntax-semantics interface
- local dependencies