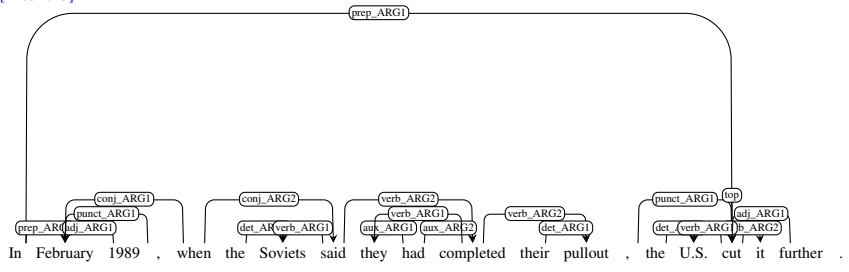


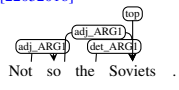
But as soon as the accords were signed , American officials sharply reduced aid .

[22052015]



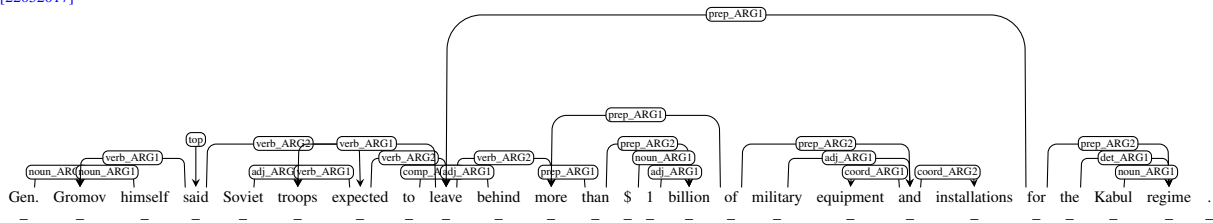
In February 1989 , when the Soviets said they had completed their pullout , the U.S. cut it further .

[22052016]



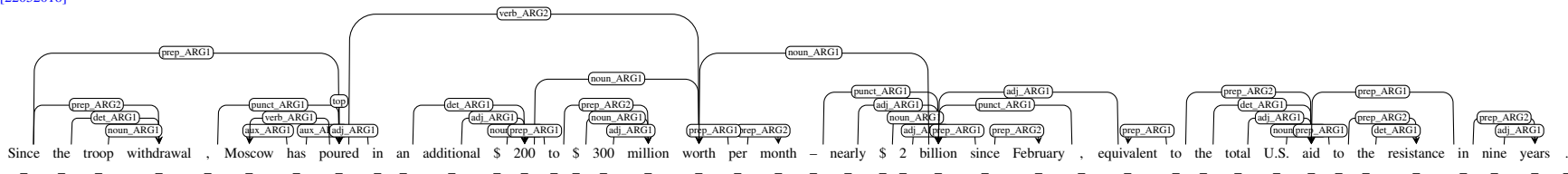
Not so the Soviets .

[22052017]



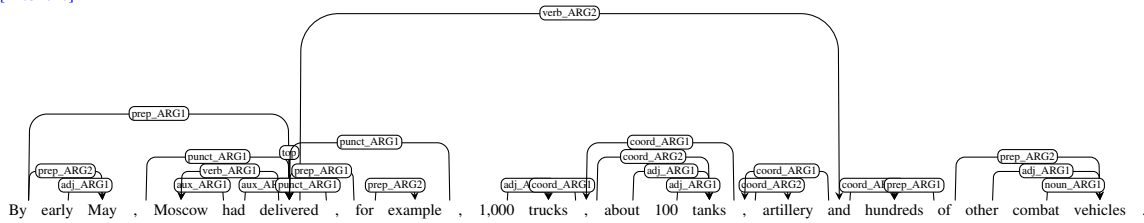
Gen. Gromov himself said Soviet troops expected to leave behind more than \$ 1 billion of military equipment and installations for the Kabul regime .

[22052018]



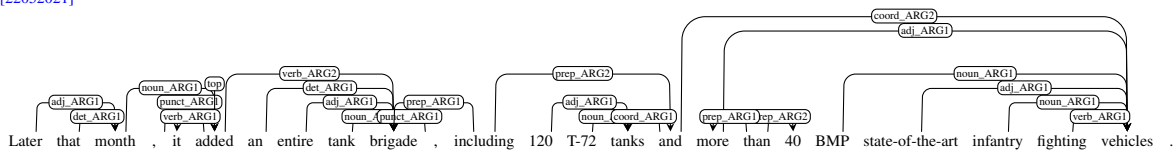
Since the troop withdrawal , Moscow has poured in an additional \$ 200 to \$ 300 million worth per month - nearly \$ 2 billion since February , equivalent to the total U.S. aid to the resistance in nine years .

[22052020]



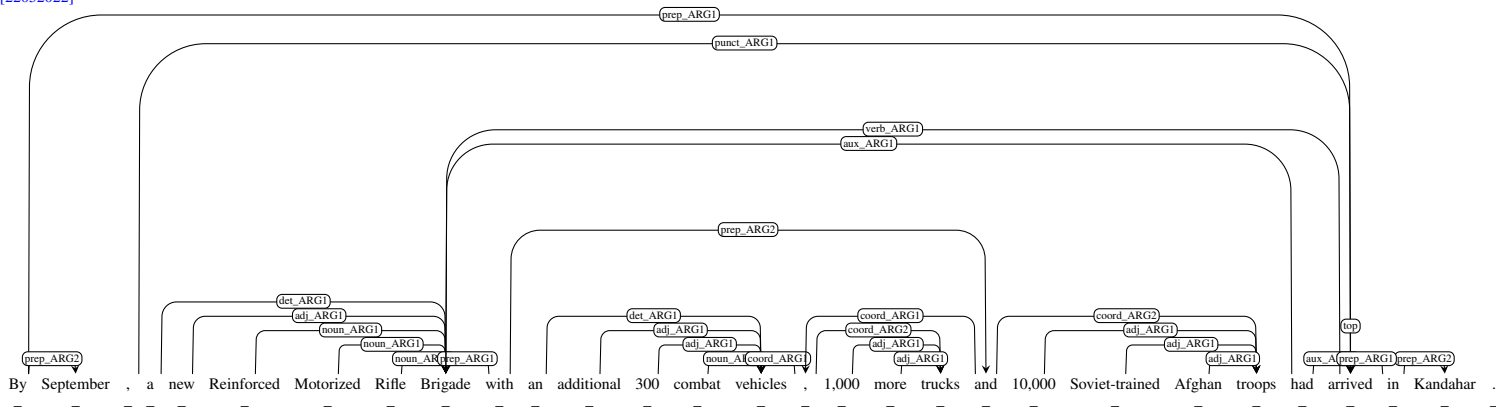
By early May , Moscow had delivered , for example , 1,000 trucks , about 100 tanks , artillery and hundreds of other combat vehicles .

[22052021]



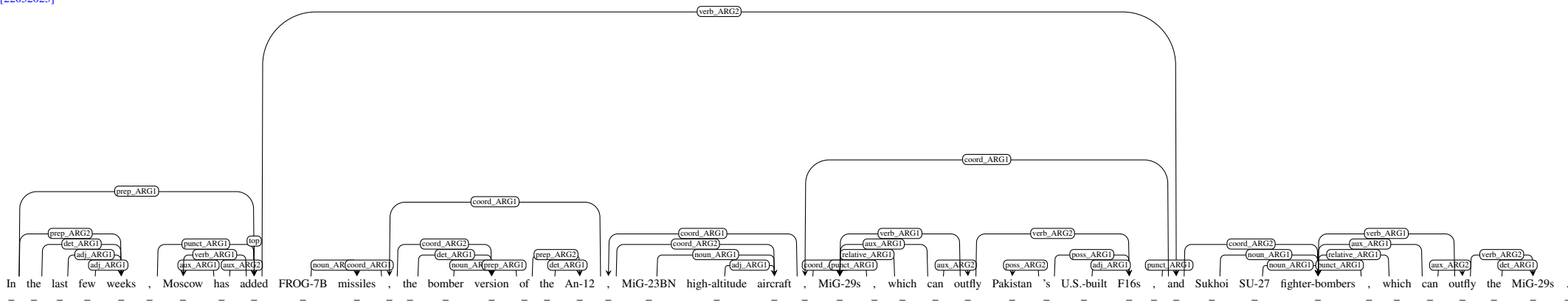
Later that month , it added an entire tank brigade , including 120 T-72 tanks and more than 40 BMP state-of-the-art infantry fighting vehicles .

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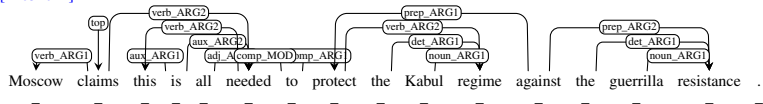
By September , a new Reinforced Motorized Rifle Brigade with an additional 300 combat vehicles , 1,000 more trucks and 10,000 Soviet-trained Afghan troops had arrived in Kandahar .

[22052023]



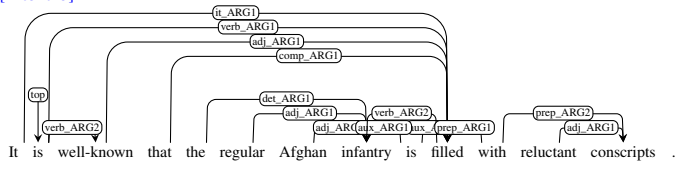
In the last few weeks , Moscow has added FROG-7B missiles , the bomber version of the An-12 , MiG-23BN high-altitude aircraft , MiG-29s , which can outfly Pakistan 's U.S.-built F16s , and Sukhoi SU-27 fighter-bombers , which can outfly the MiG-29s .

[22052024]



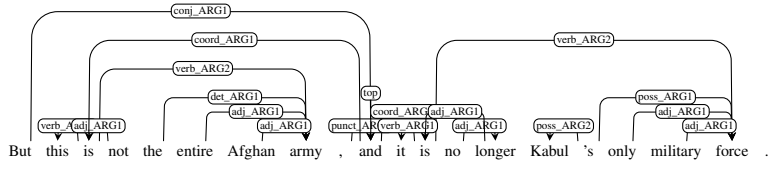
Moscow claims this is all needed to protect the Kabul regime against the guerrilla resistance .

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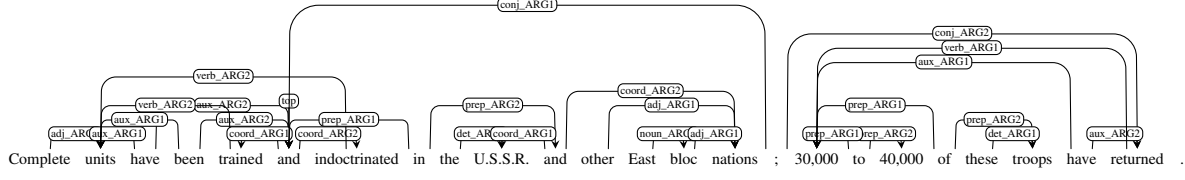


It is well-known that the regular Afghan infantry is filled with reluctant conscripts .

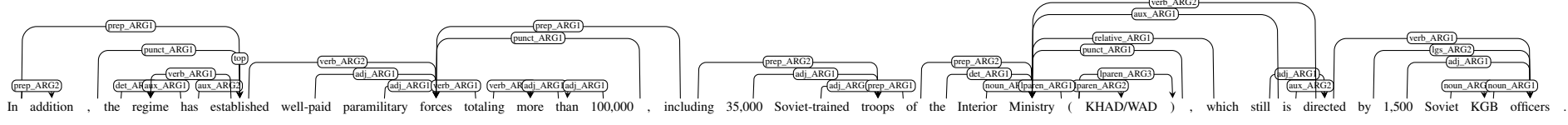
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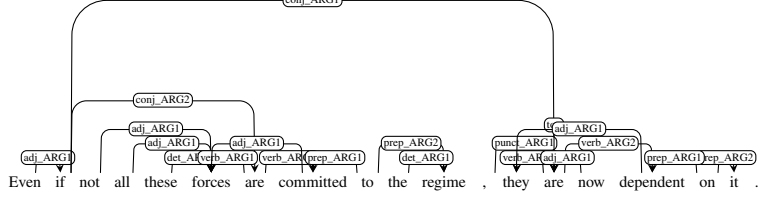
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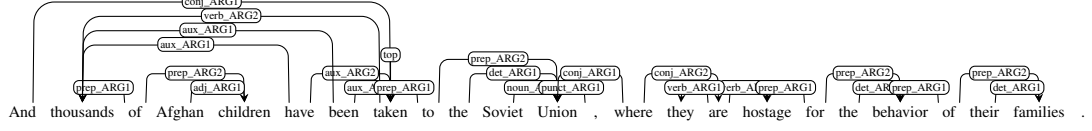
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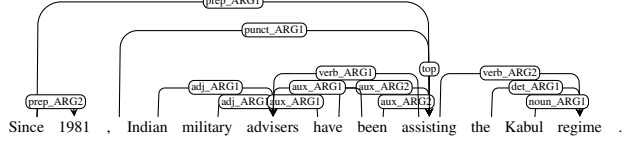
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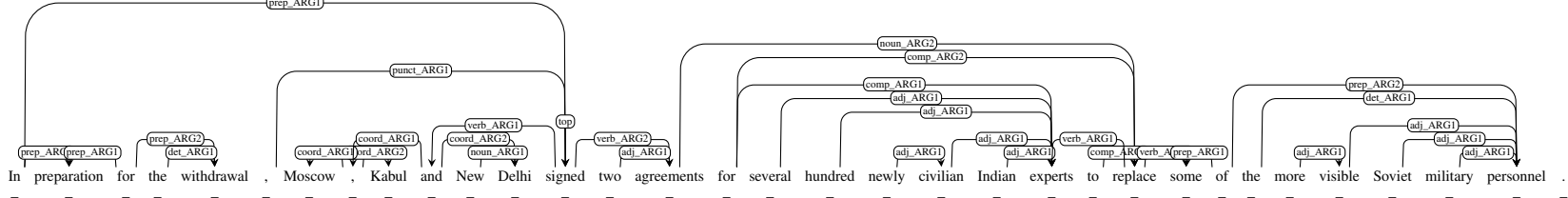
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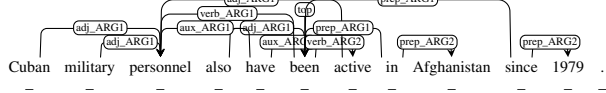
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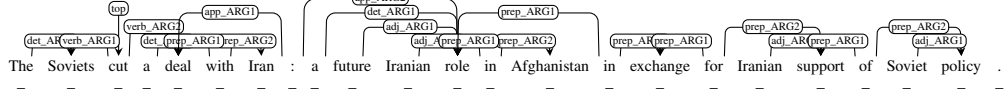
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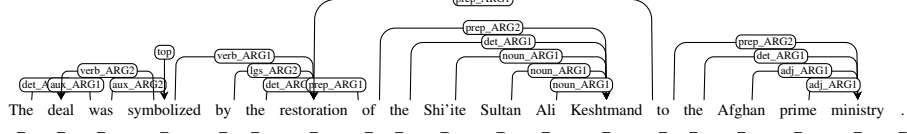
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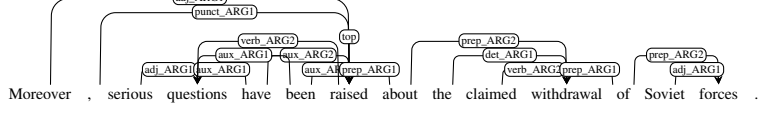
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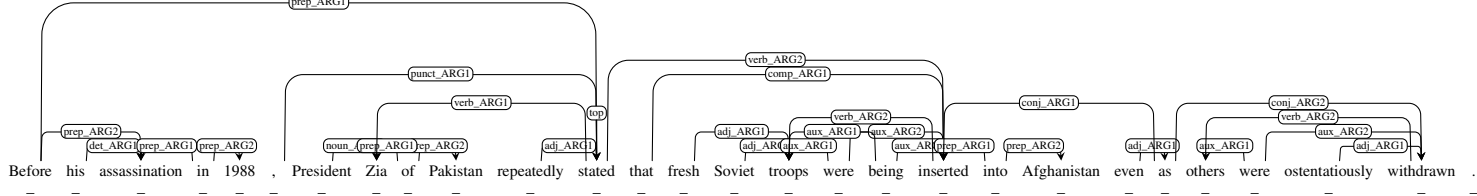
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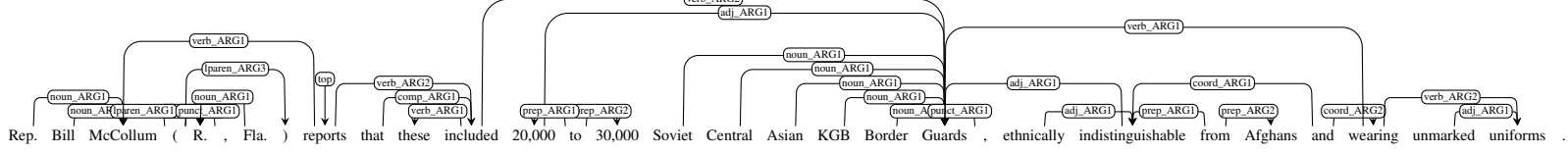
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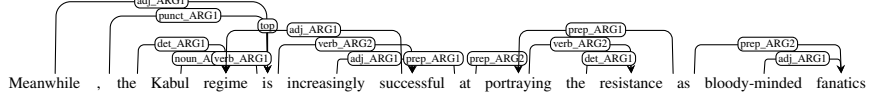
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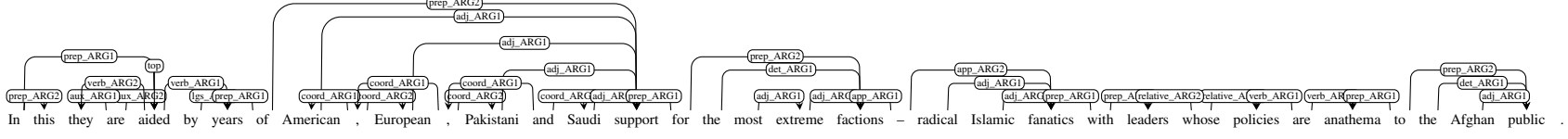
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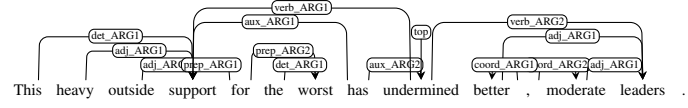
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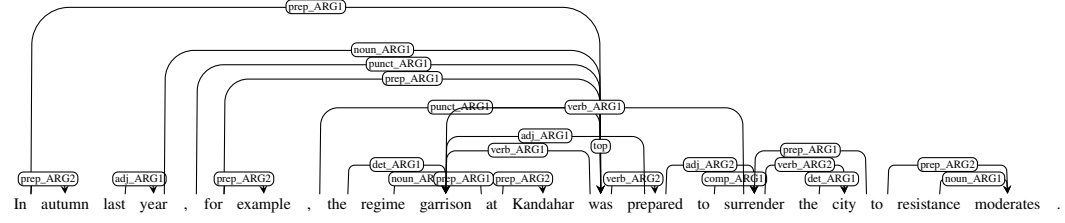
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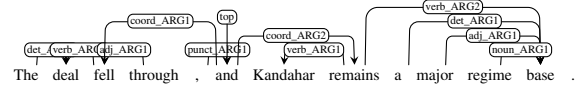
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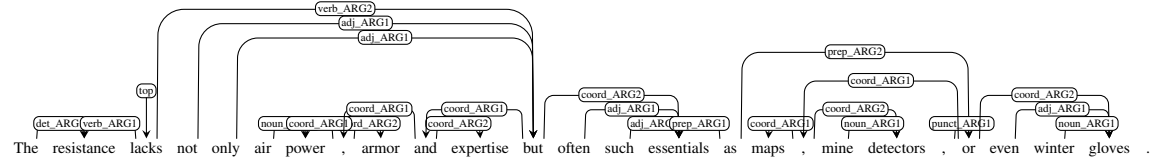
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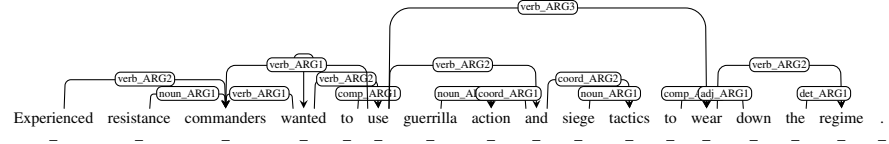
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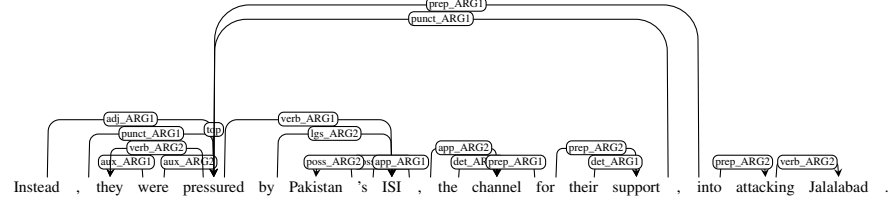
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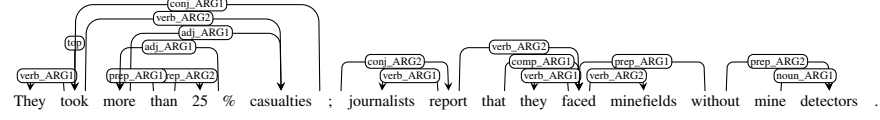
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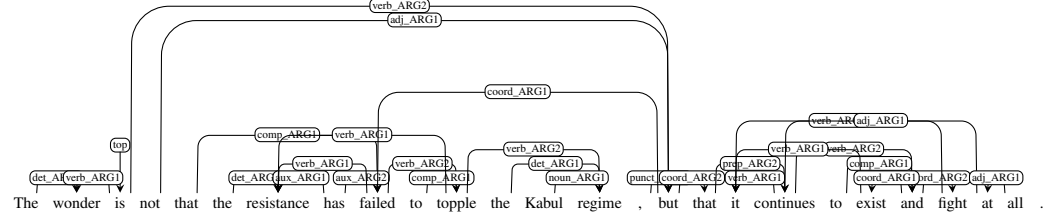
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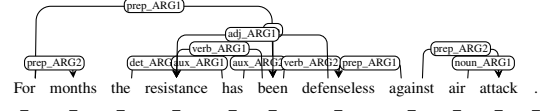
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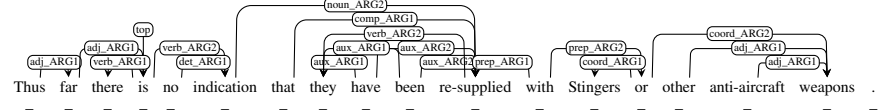
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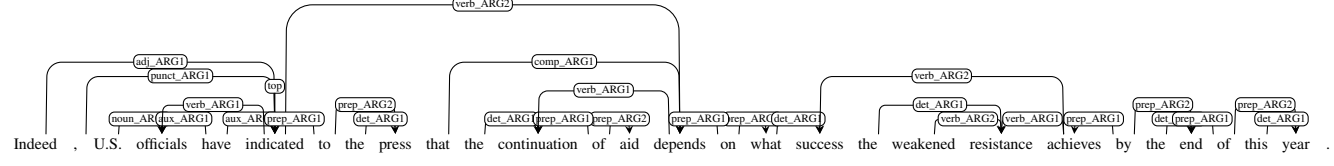
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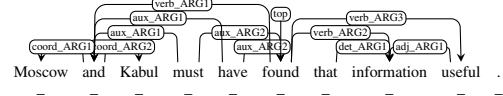
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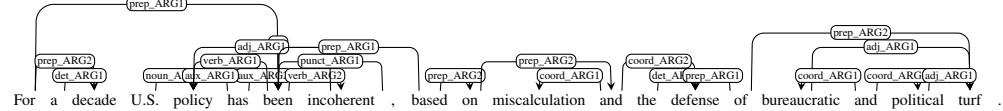
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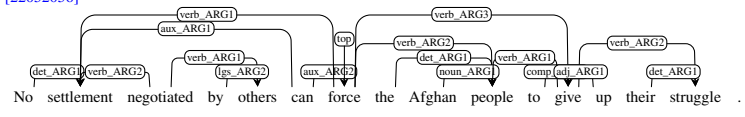
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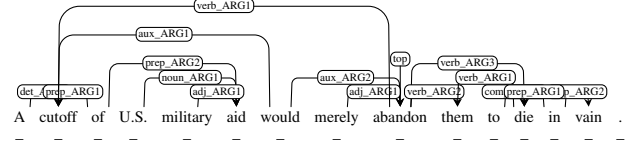
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