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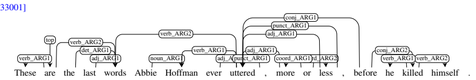

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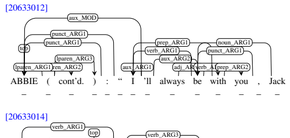

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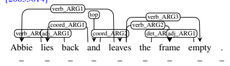

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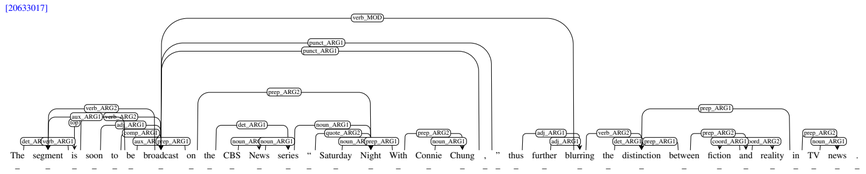

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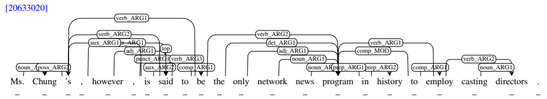

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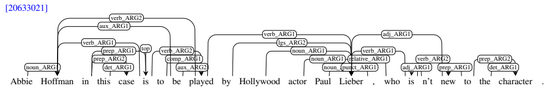

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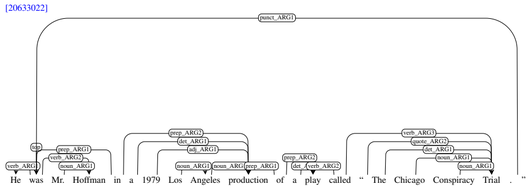

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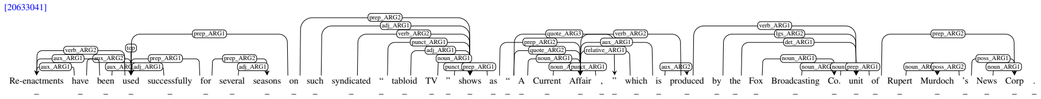

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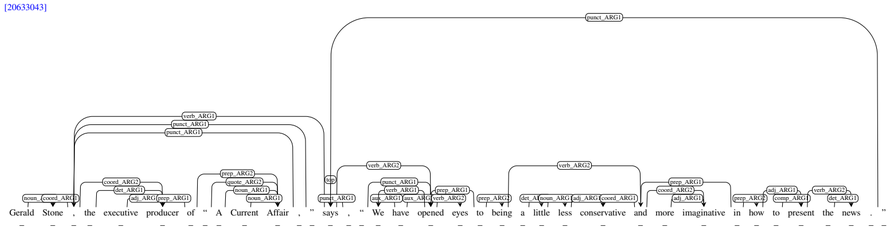

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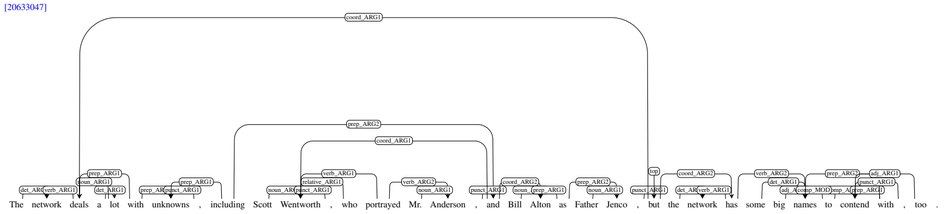

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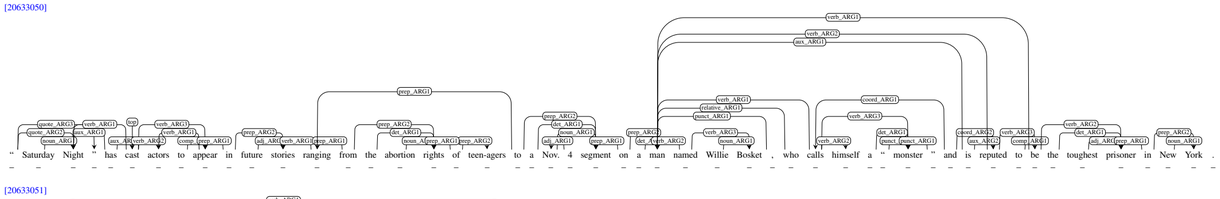

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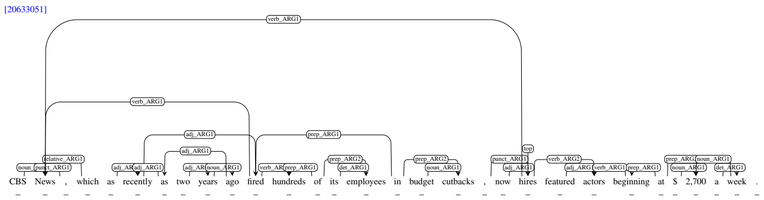

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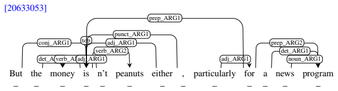

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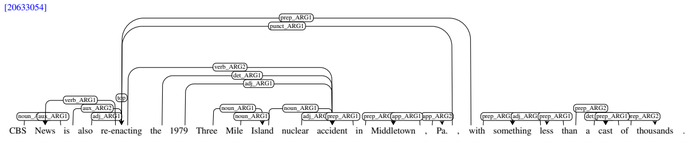

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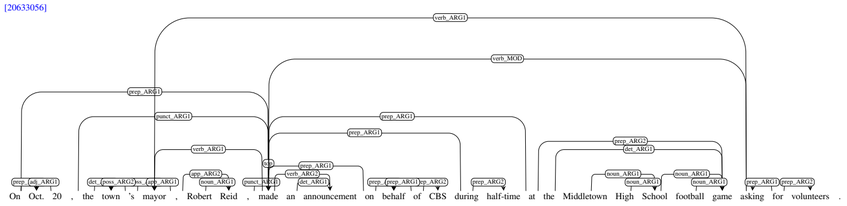

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" There was a roll of laughter through the stands , " says Joe Sukle , the editor of the weekly Press and Journal in Middletown .
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" They're filming right now at the bank down the street , and they want shots of people getting out of cars and kids on skateboards .
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They are approaching everyone on the street and asking if they want to be in a docudrama . "
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Mr. Sukle says he would n't dream of participating himself :
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" No way .
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I think re-enactments sink . "
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Some producers seem tentative about the technique , squeamish even .
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And some people do think that acting out scripts is n't worthy of CBS News , which once lent prestige to the network and set standards for the industry .
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They should never be on .
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Never . "
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Criticism of the Abbie Hoffman segment is particularly scathing among people who knew and loved the man .
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That includes his companion of 15 years , Johanna Lawrenson , as well as his former wife , Anita .
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Both women say they also find it disturbed that CBS News is apparently concentrating on Mr. Hoffman 's problems as a manic-depressive .
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" This is dangerous and misrepresents Abbie 's life , " says Ms. Lawrenson , who has had an advance look at the 36-page script .
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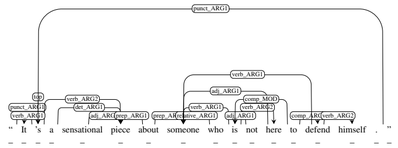

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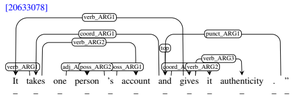

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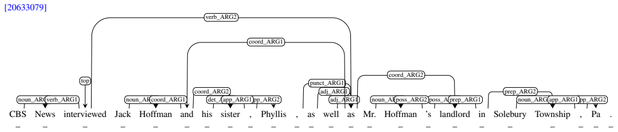

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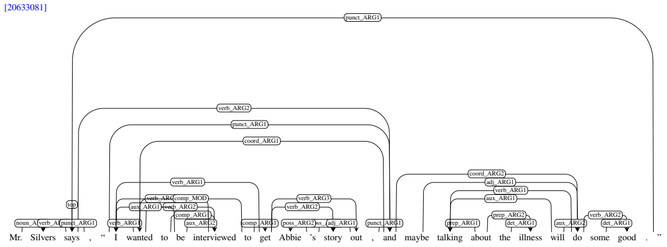

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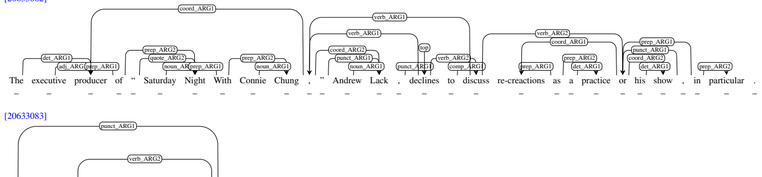

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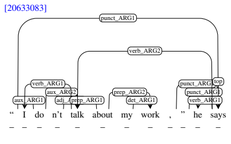

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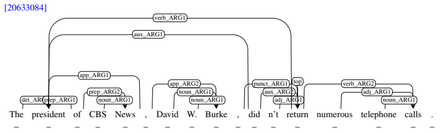

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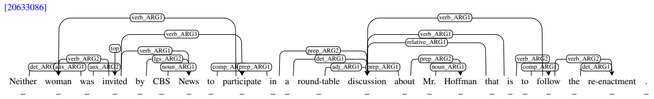

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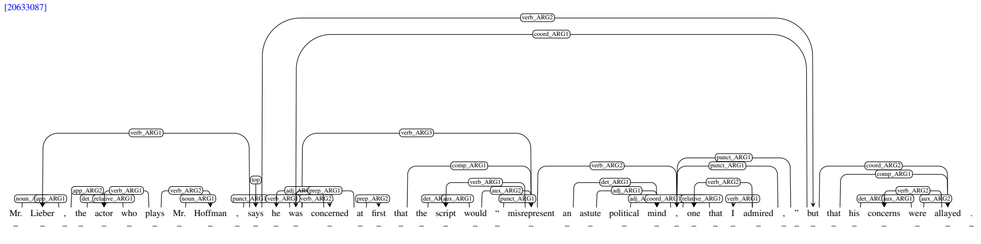
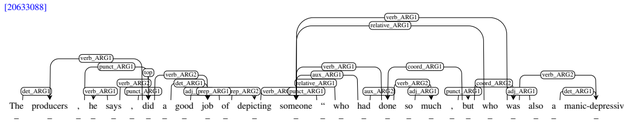
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