

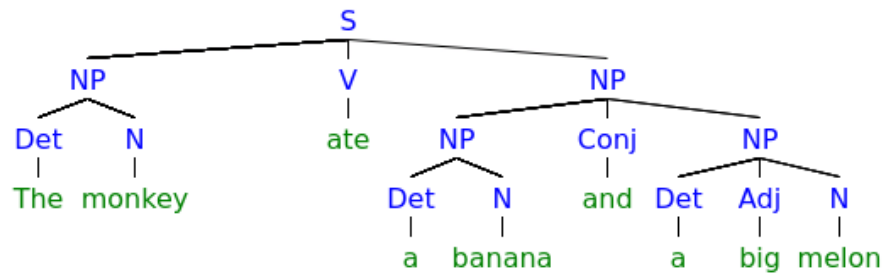
Intro to Linguistics - HW2 - Syntax

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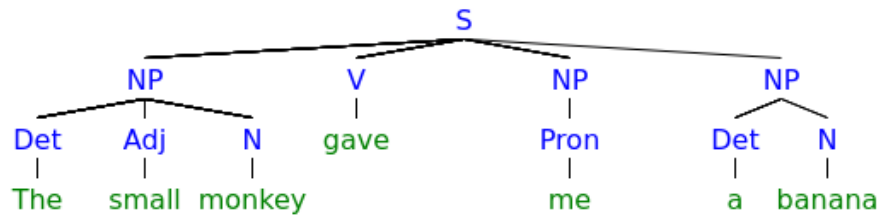
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1. Analyze these sentences (or phrases)

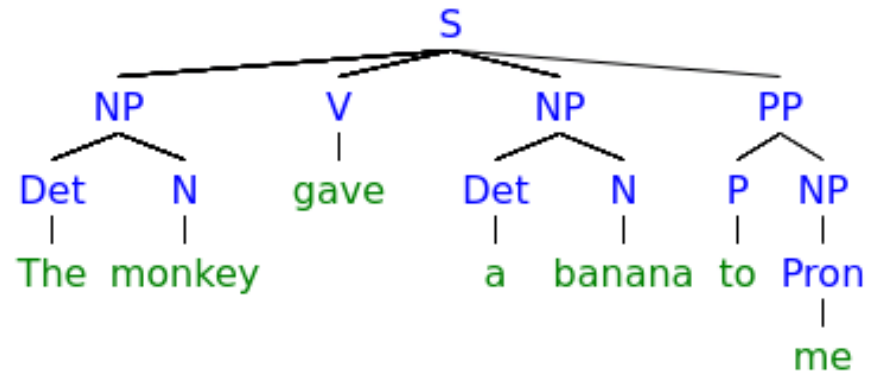
(a) The monkey ate a banana and a big melon.



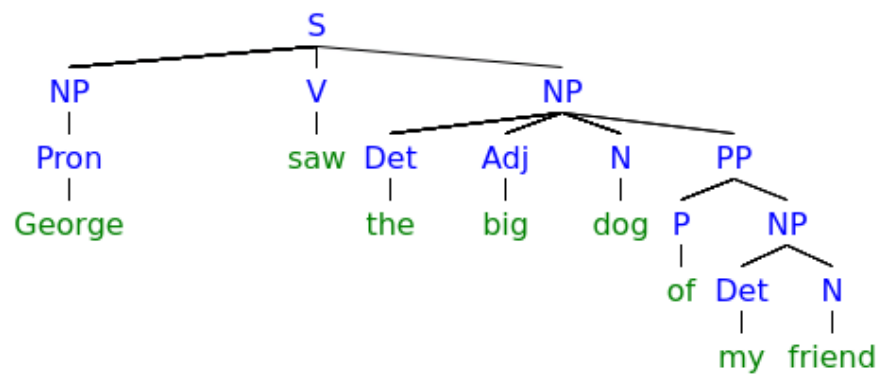
(b) The small monkey gave me a banana.



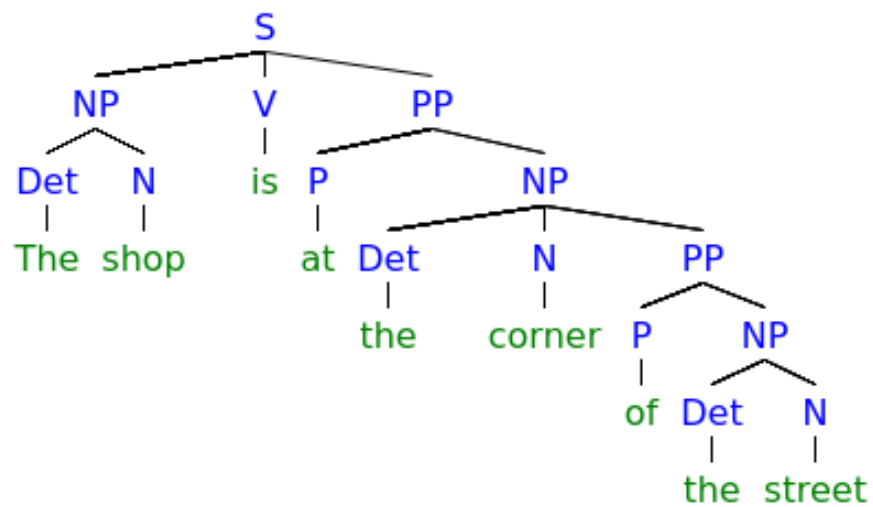
(c) The monkey gave a banana to me.



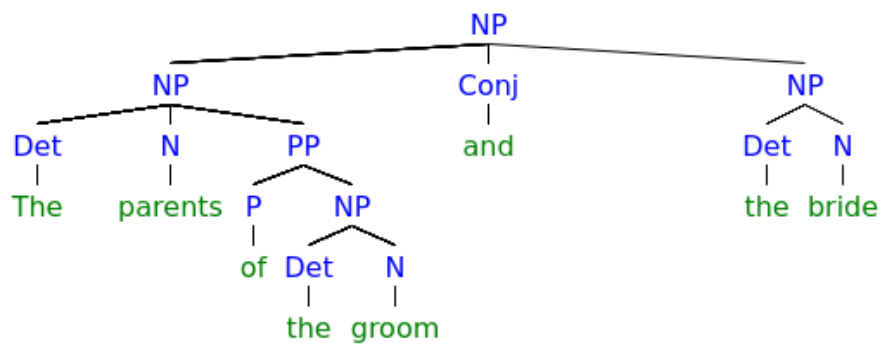
(d) George saw the big dog of my friend.

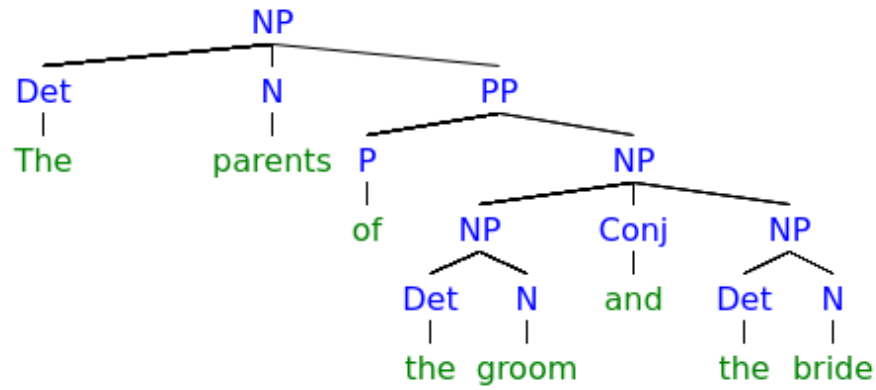


(e) The shop is at the corner of the street.

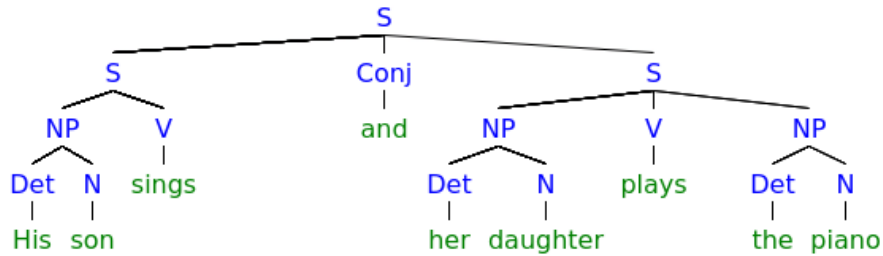


(f) The parents of the groom and the bride.



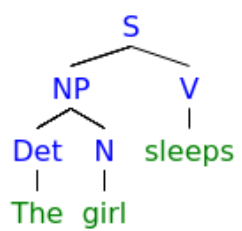


(g) His son sings and her daughter plays the piano.

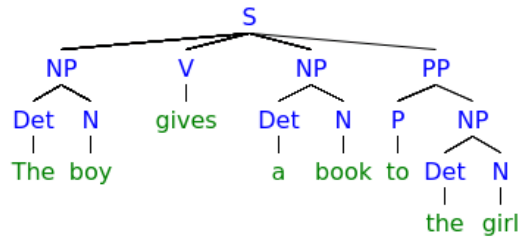


2. Find:

(a) Two sentences that are correct according to both this grammar and grammar of Standard English (GSE). Draw the corresponding syntactic trees.



(a) The girl sleeps.



(b) The boy gives a book to the girl.

- (b) A sentence that is correct according to this grammar, but incorrect according to GSE. Where is the problem?

*“A girl gives a boy book.”

A determiner is required before ‘book’, but is optional in this grammar.

- (c) A sentence that is incorrect according to this grammar, but correct according to GSE. Where is the problem?

“The boy sees the interesting small girl.”

Two adjectives are not allowed to modify a single noun in this grammar, but it is possible in GSE.