Indonesian Resource Grammar (INDRA)

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- The first broad-coverage, open-source computational grammar for Indonesian, modelled in Head Driven Phrase Structure Grammar (HPSG) and Minimal Recursion Semantics (MRS)
- Created and developed using tools from Deep Linguistic Processing with HPSG Initiative (DELPH-IN)
- Aims to parse and treebank Indonesian text in the Nanyang Technological University — Multilingual Corpus (NTU-MC)
- Will be applied to machine translation



Indonesian language

- Classification: Austronesian > ... > Western Malayo-Polynesian > ... > Malayic > Malay > Indonesian
- Alternate names: bahasa Indonesia
- Population: 43 million L1 speakers (2010 census), 156 million L2 speakers (2010 census)
- Language status: national language of Indonesia (1945 Constitution, Article 36)
- Dialects: over 80% lexical similarity with Standard Malay
- Writing: Latin script



Morphology and syntactic typology of Indonesian

Morphological classification: mildly agglutinative

Word order: SVO

Position of negative word: S-Neg-V-O

Order of Adj and Noun: N-Adj

Order of Dem and Noun: N-Dem



Some Indonesian sentences

X V-intransitive Adi tidur. Adi sleep "Adi sleeps."

(2) X V-transitive Y Adi mengejar Budi. Adi ACT-chase Budi "Adi chases Budi."



Previous work on Indonesian computational grammar

- No previous work done on a broad-coverage Indonesian HPSG grammar
- Much work has been done using Lexical Functional Grammar (LFG) (Kaplan and Bresnan, 1982)
 - Arka and Manning (2008) on active and passive voice
 - Arka (2000) on control constructions
- Arka (2012) and Mistica (2013) have worked on the computational grammar "IndoGram" which is a part of the ParGram (Sulger et al., 2013)
 - Has details of many phenomena

but

- ▶ Not open-source
- Not very broad in its coverage
- Does not produce MRS, so it cannot be easily incorporated into our machine translation system

Creation and development of INDRA

- Bootstrapped using The LinGO Grammar Matrix (Bender et al., 2010) (http://www.delph-in.net/matrix/customize/matrix.cgi)
 - Word order
 - ▶ Noun and verb subcategorization
 - Morphology
 - **.**..
- Lexical acquisition
- Additions and changes to Type Description Language (TDL) files
 - Pronouns, proper names and adjectives
 - Decomposing words
 - Morphology
 - **.**..
- Associated resources



Evaluation with MRS test-suite

- The original set of 107 sentences are in English, translated into many languages including Indonesian (172 sentences)
 (http://moin.delph-in.net/MatrixMrsTestSuiteIndonesian)
- 55 of 172 sentences (32%) can be parsed. INDRA is not currently able to parse the others.
- 15% more would be covered once passives and relative clauses were added



Associated resources

- Indonesian POS Tagger (Rashel et al., 2014) with ACE's YY-mode for unknown word handling
- Transfer grammar for machine translation



Future work

- Increase the coverage of (phenomena in) INDRA
 - Relative clauses
 - Numbers
 - Quantifiers
 - Classifiers
 - Copula constructions
 - Passive constructions
 - Topic-comment constructions
 - Particles
 - Interrogatives
 - Imperatives
- Simultaneously build up MT (learning and building rules)



INDRA Top page

http://moin.delph-in.net/IndraTop

- Specifications
- Test-suites
- Demo page



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