An incremental approach to parsing

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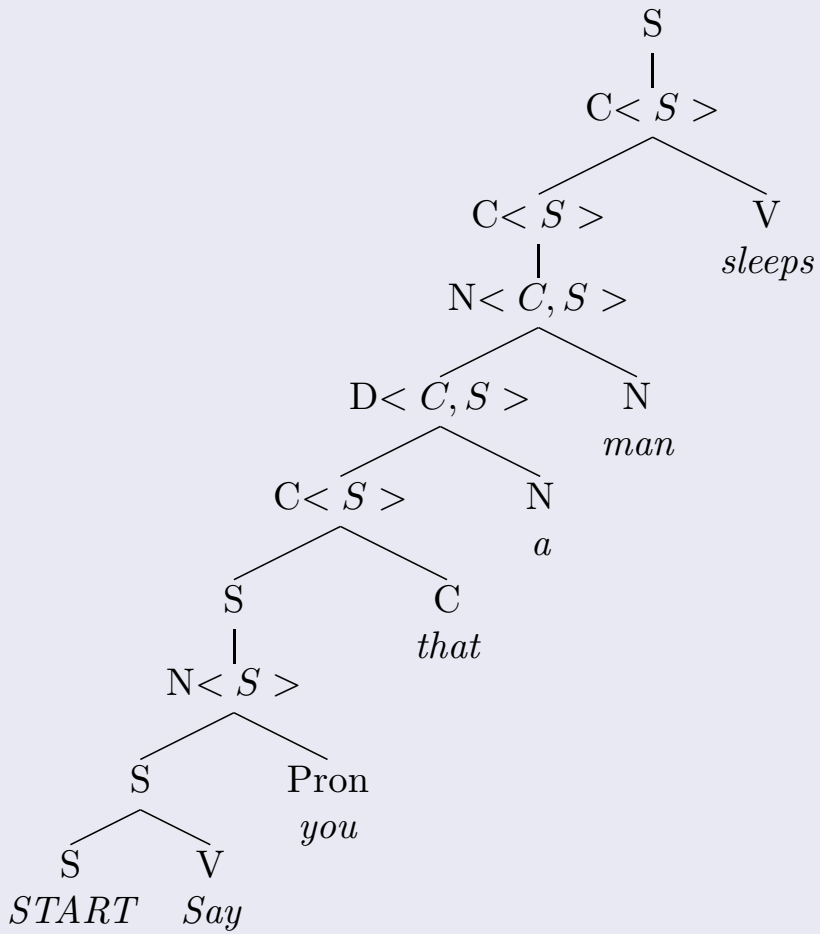
Incremental parsing with Norsyg

Parse tree (Norgenstein)



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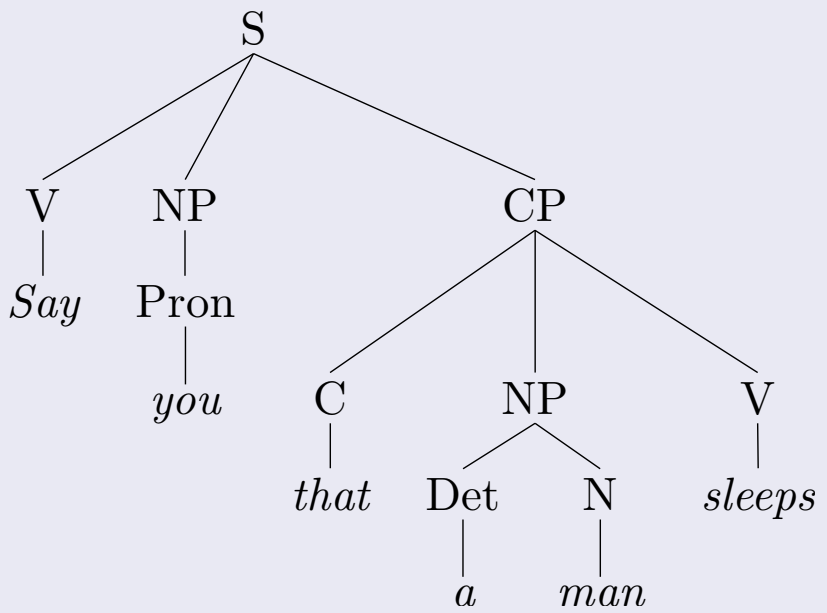


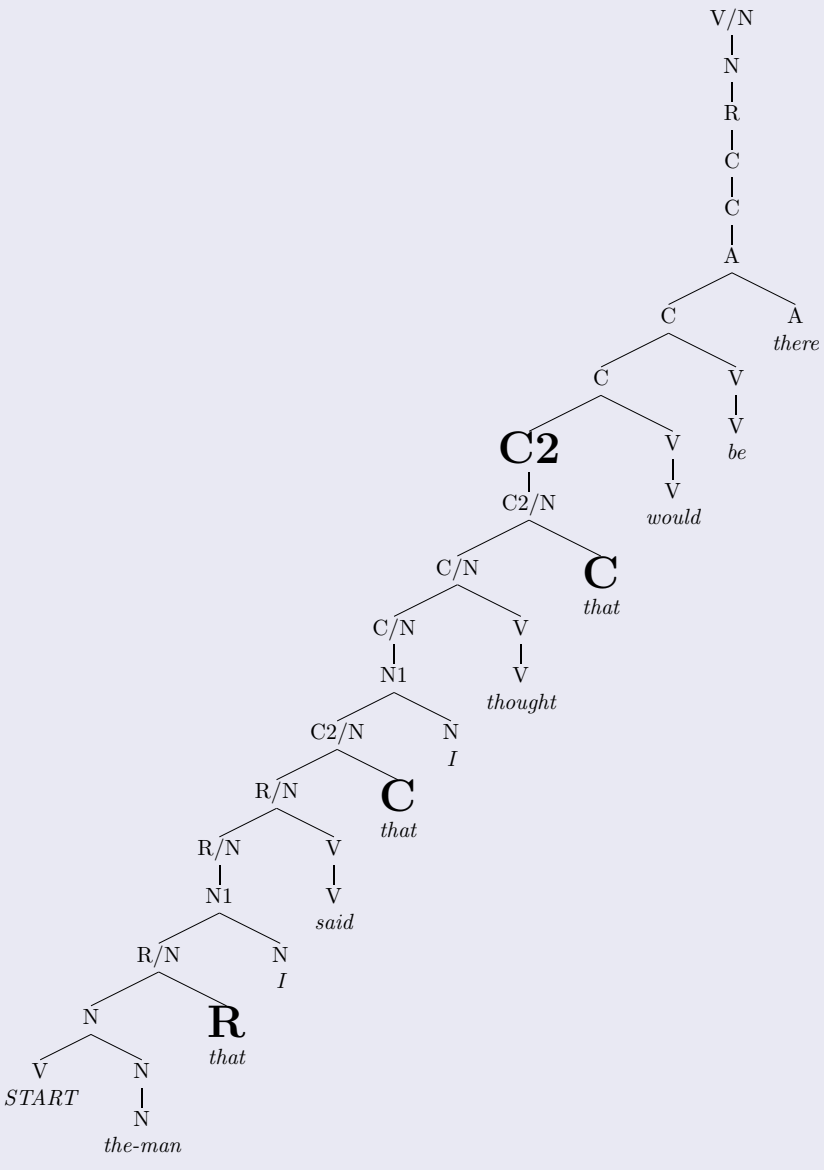
Extraction pathway marking in Irish

(1) an fear **aL** dúirt mé **aL** shíl mé **aL** bheadh _ ann
the man COMP said I COMP thought I COMP would-be there
the man that I said I thought would be there

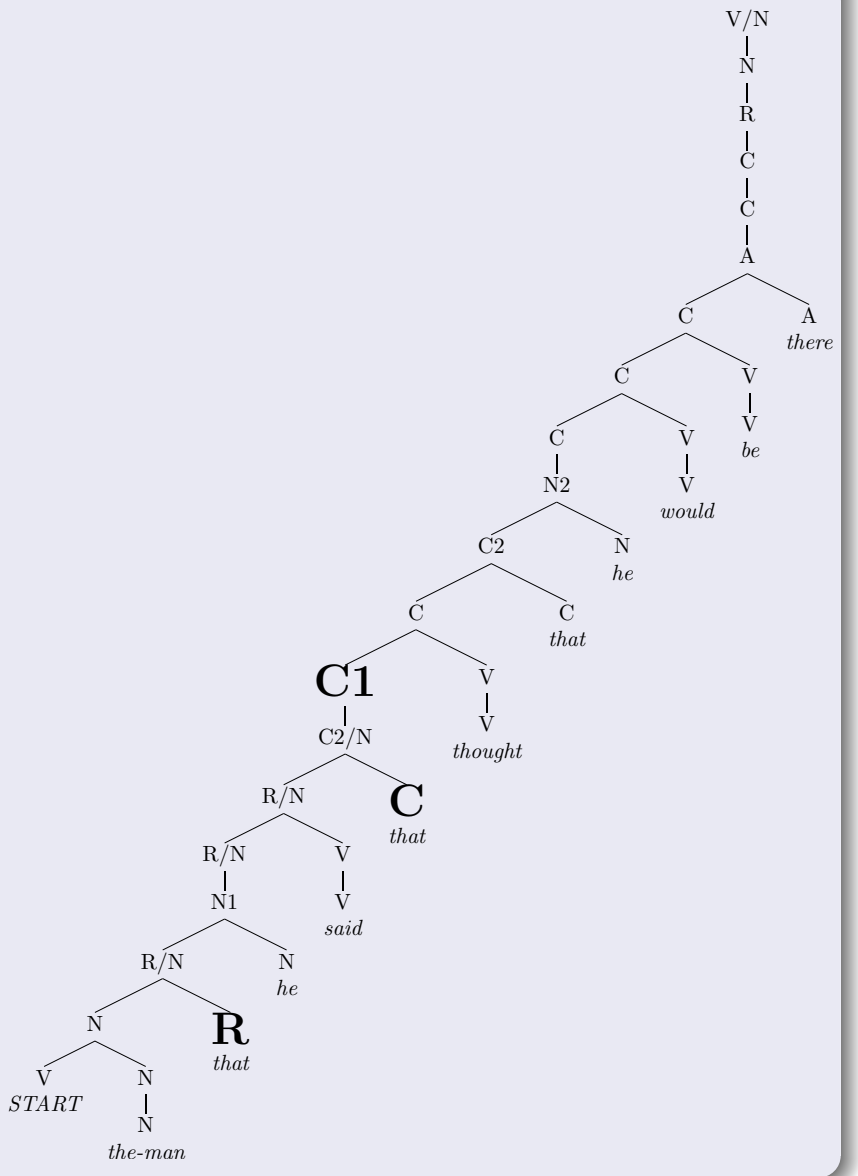
(2) an fear **aL** dúirt sé **aL** shíl _ **goN** mbeadh sé ann
the man COMP said he COMP thought _ COMP would-be he there
the man that he said thought he would be there

(McCloskey, 1979)

Long extraction path



Shorter extraction path



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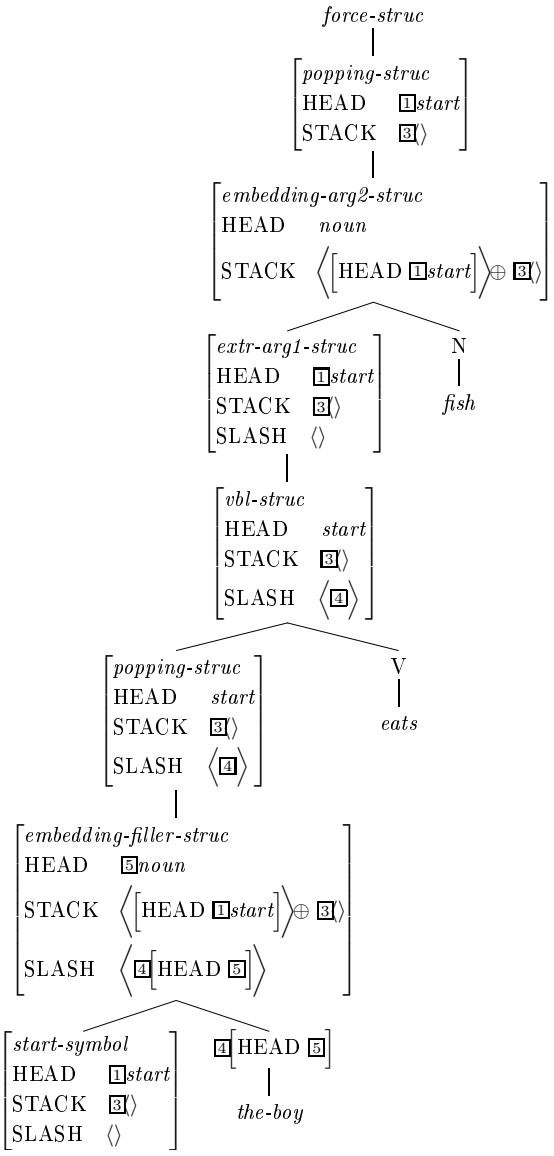

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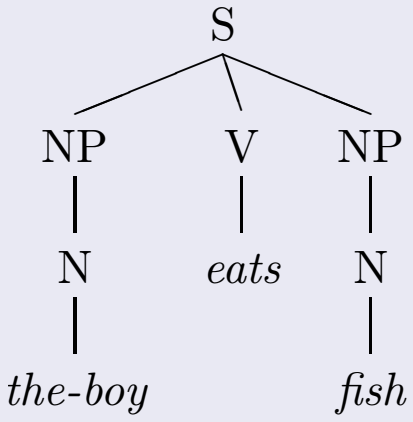

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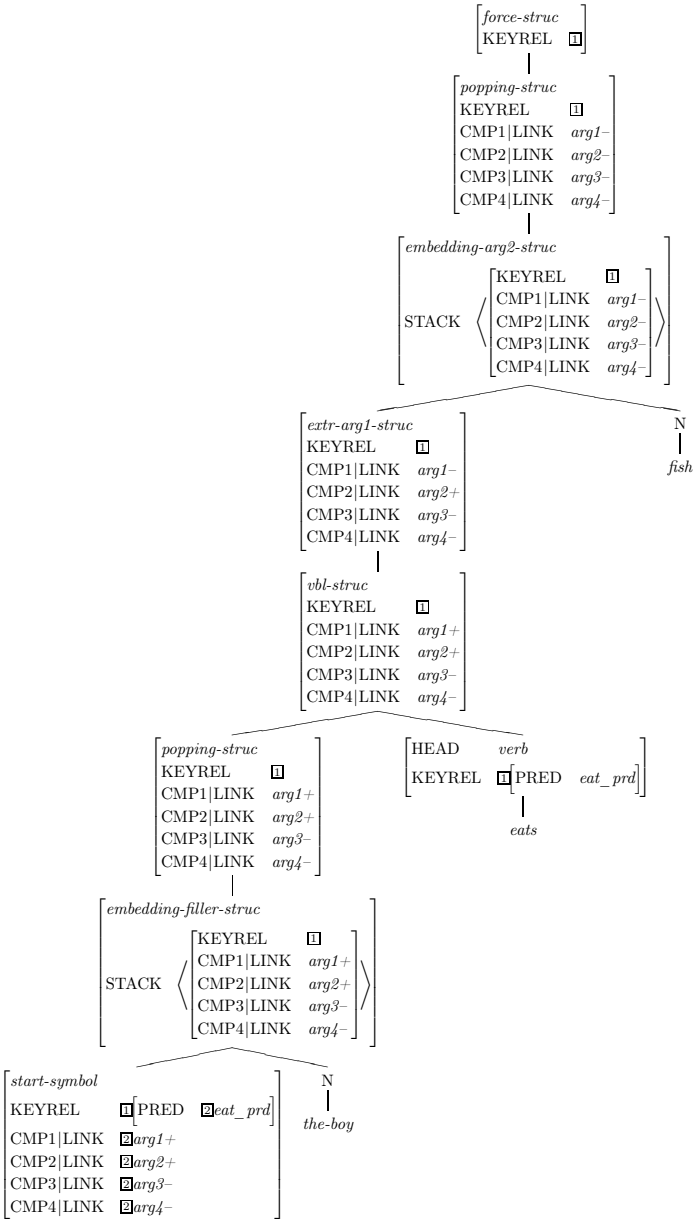

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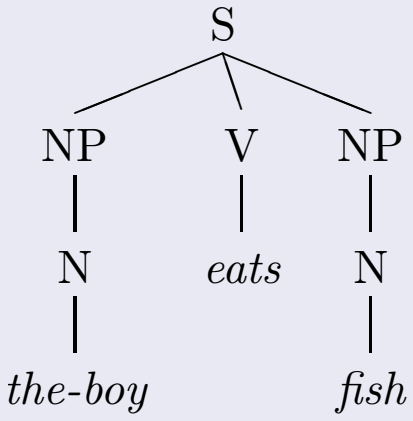
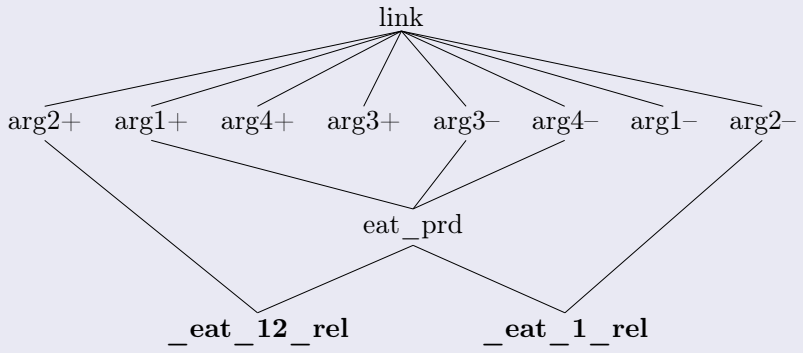


Linking types



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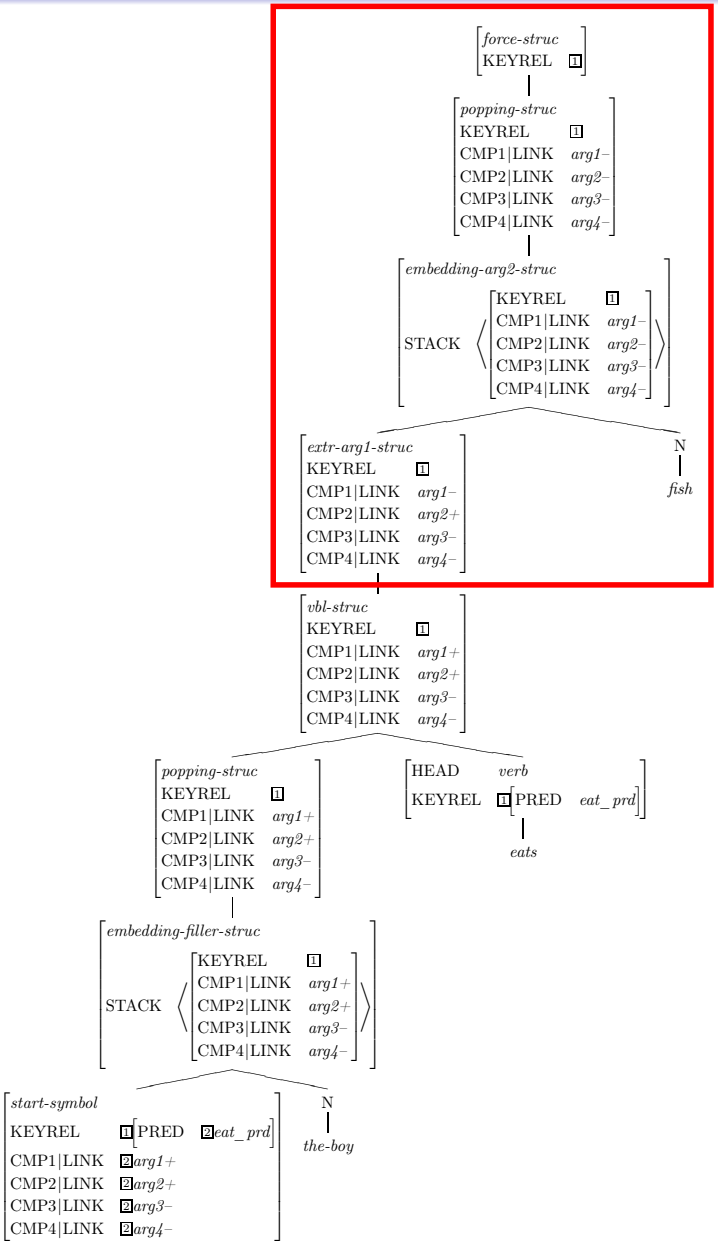

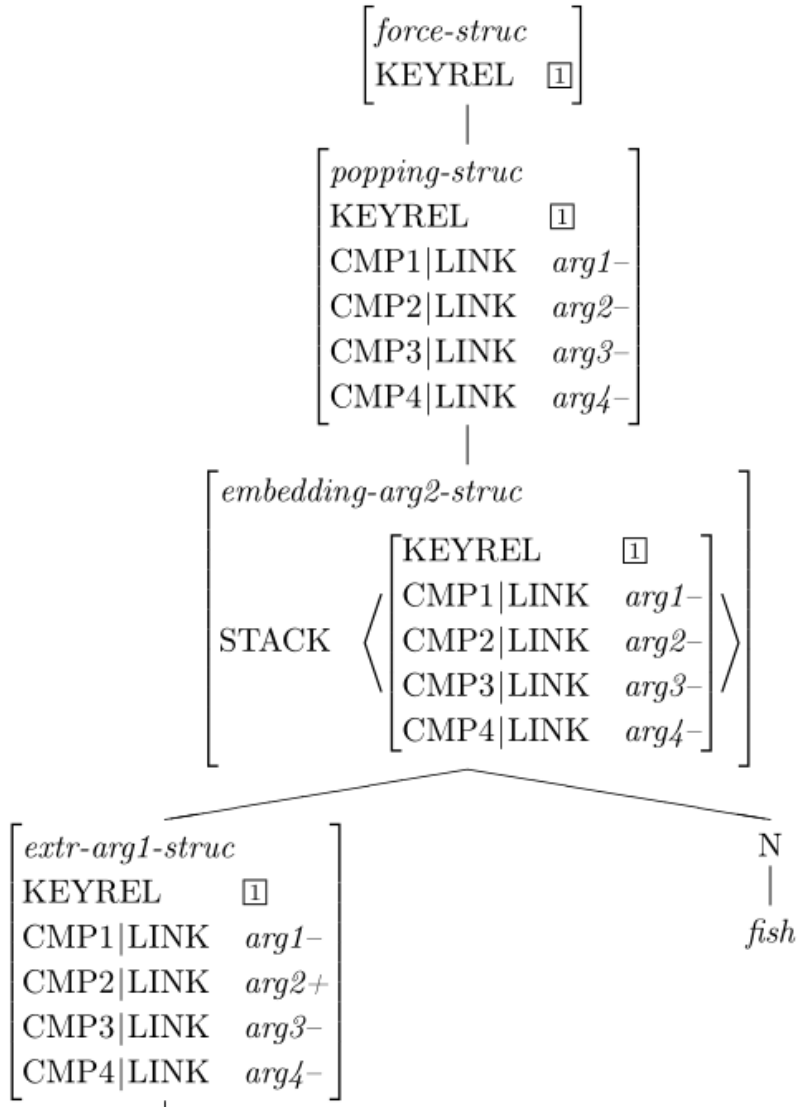

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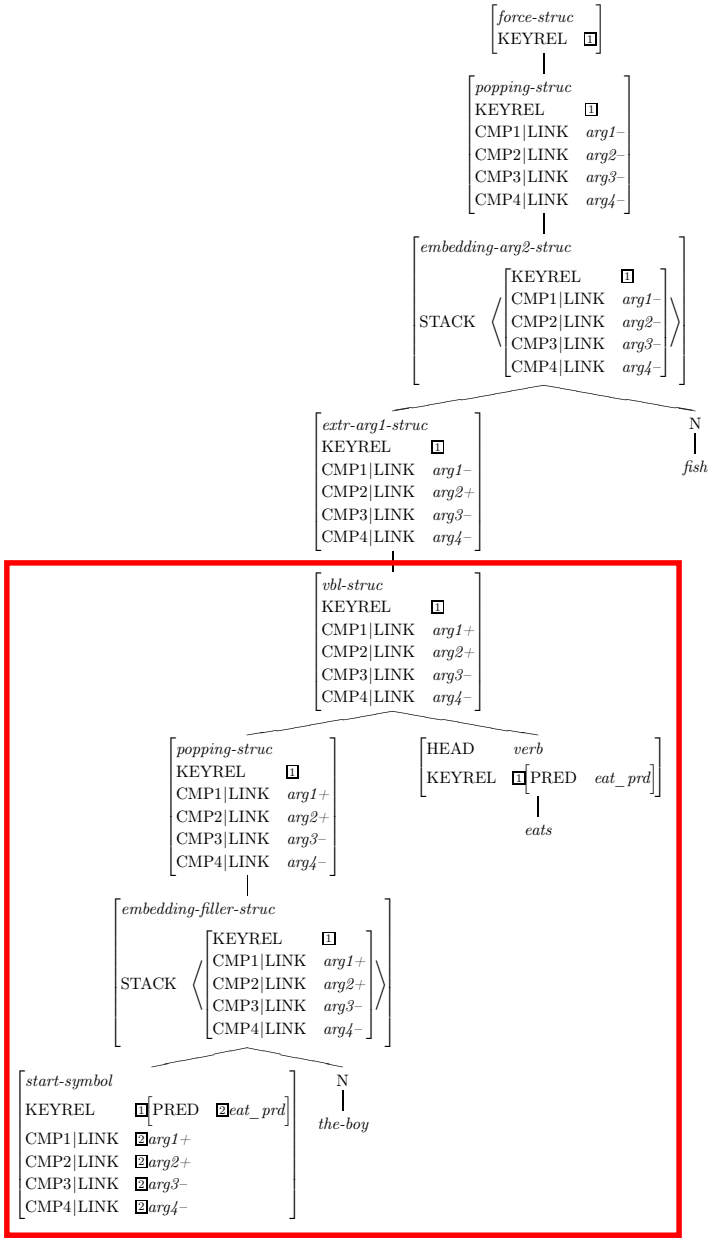
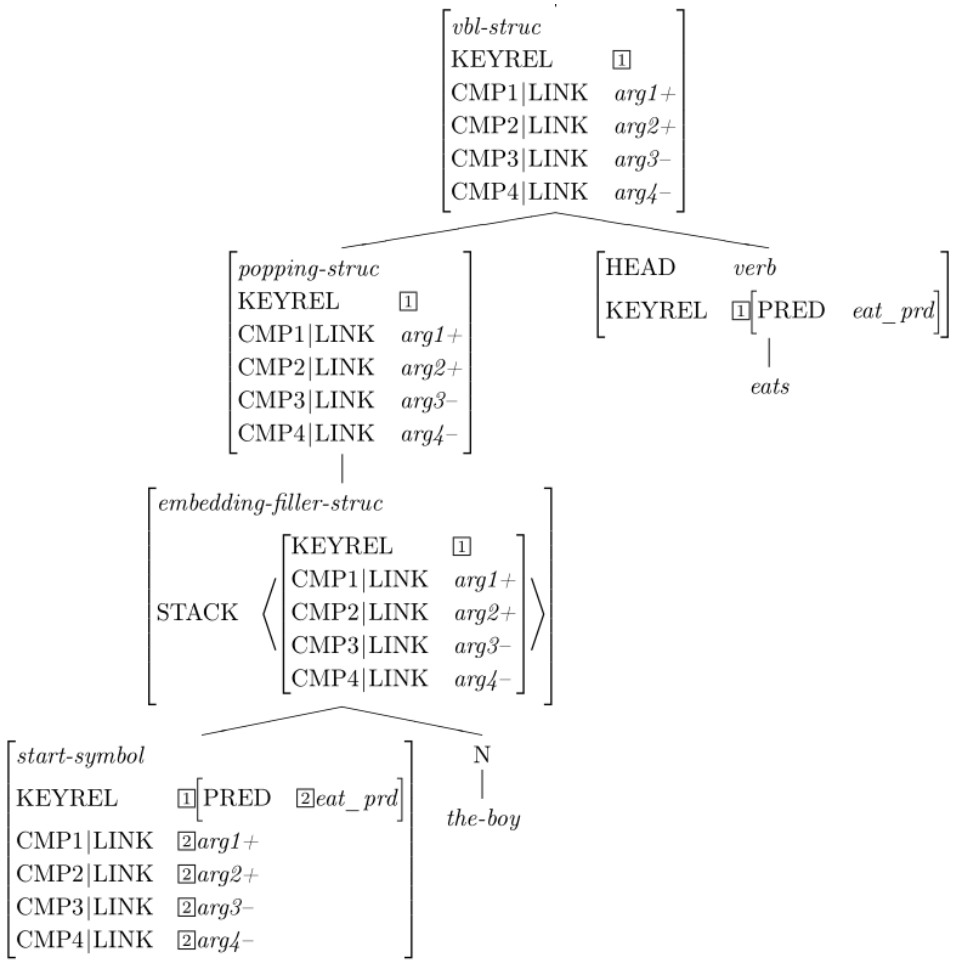
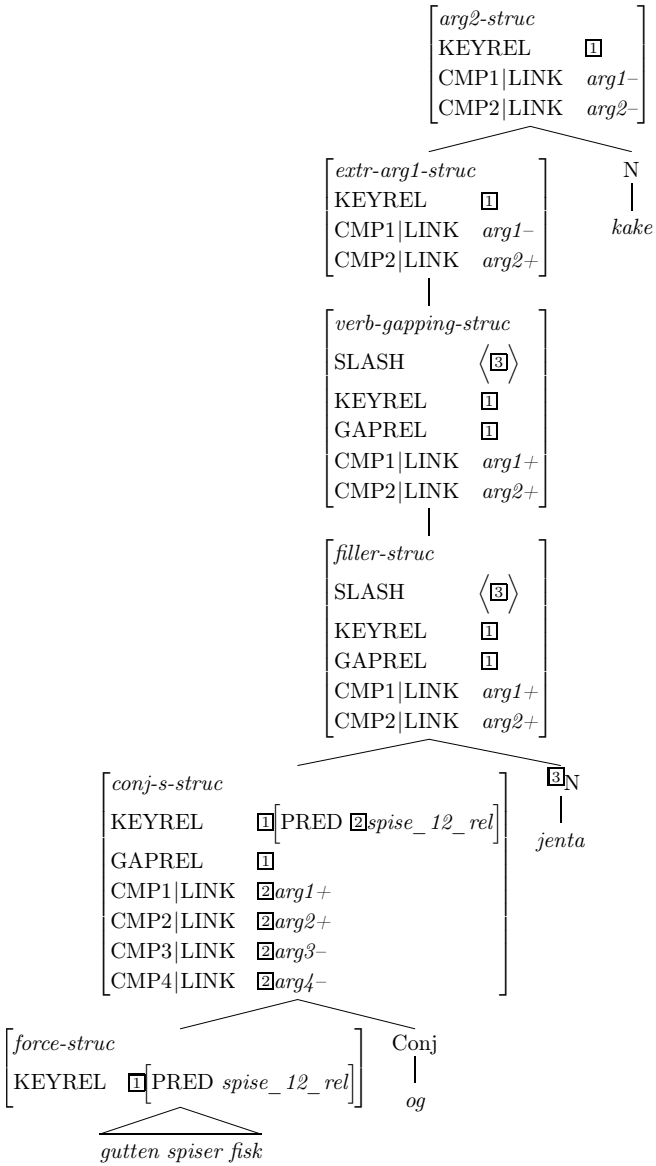




Analysis of gapping



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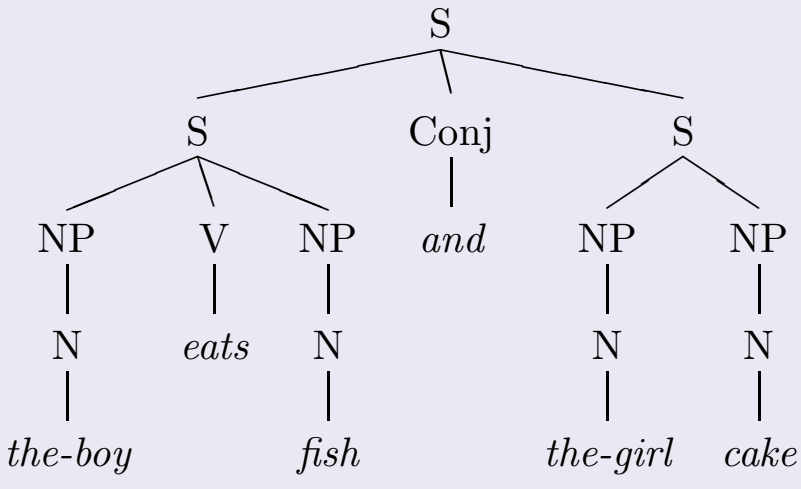

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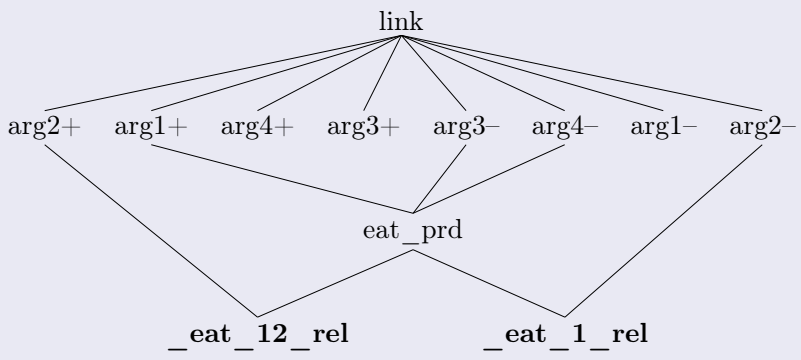

Other topics

Delayed complements

(3) So many people enrolled for the course that we had to move to a larger room.
(Huddleston and Pullum, 2002, 967)

Scrambling and verb final languages:

1. [[[[*daß* ARG4] ARG1] ARG2] V]
2. [[[[*daß* ARG4] ARG2] ARG1] V]
3. [[[[*daß* ARG1] ARG4] ARG2] V]
4. [[[[*daß* ARG2] ARG4] ARG1] V]

Comparing types to neurons

Quote that didn't make the cut

Although a type hierarchy is not identical to a neural network, it can be conceptualized in a similar way. Each subconstruction type functions like a neuron, triggering the activation of other (intermediate) types. The cumulative activation of these subconstruction types results in the formation of a construction type, analogous to how the combined activity of neurons in a network can give rise to concepts and cognitive processes.

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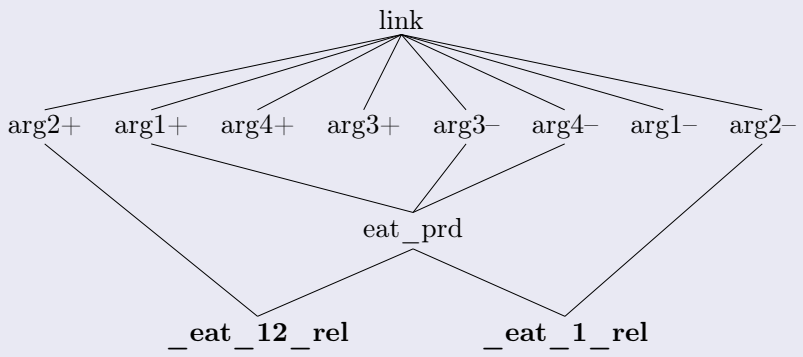

The way forward

What should I do?

- Other phenomena that are suited for this analysis?
- How can I make the analsis appear less controversial?

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