# PROIEL Guidelines for Annotation

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#### 1 Introduction

The system of annotation presented here is based on dependency grammar enriched with secondary dependencies (slashes, see section 14) reminiscent of the structure sharing mechanism in Lexical-Functional Grammar. Much of the scheme is adapted from the Guidelines for the Syntactic Annotation of Latin Treebanks  $(v. 1.3)^1$  and its ultimate source, the Guidelines for Annotations at Analytical Level of the Prague Dependency Treebank.<sup>2</sup> However, there are several important differences that will be adressed in a separate document which also discusses questions of conversion.

Since we use a dependency grammar, word order is not modelled at all in our syntactic trees. The information about word order is rather stored in a separate layer where each word is given a linearisation index corresponding to its position in the sentence. This means that there is no left-to-right ordering in our trees. In this document, the ordering often but not always approximates the linear order of the sentence. In the annotation interface, the left-to-right ordering of trees is decided by the dependency tree grapher and is purely conventional. If an annotation is changed in some minor way, this may result in the dependency grapher deciding to change the graphical representation of the analysis tree.

This also means that annotators can work in the sequence they prefer. Dependents of the same node can be added in any order: it is not necessary to add the subject, the object and other arguments in any particular order.

## 2 The idea of dependency grammar

Dependency grammar sets out to model the syntactic structure of sentences as a set of *relations* between words. These relations are called *dependencies*. It is notoriously hard to define a syntactic dependency, but as a basis for an intuitive grasp of the concept, a word X is dependent on a word Y just in case, if you remove Y from the sentence, you also have to remove X.

These relations must be *antisymmetric*, which is why they are referred to as dependencies: if X depends Y, Y cannot depend on X. Sometimes it would be tempting to analyse words as mutually dependent. For example, it is the case in many languages that a preposition cannot occur without its complement; nor can the complement occur without the preposition. Most dependency grammarians do not tolerate such mutual dependencies however.

#### 3 Sentence boundaries

The division of the text into sentences has been done automatically. It is based on the punctuation used in the source text, which does not always correspond to meaningful syntactic units. In the case of the Latin Vulgate, the source text

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>http://nlp.perseus.tufts.edu/syntax/treebank/1.3/docs/guidelines.pdf

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>http://ufal.mff.cuni.cz/pdt2.0/doc/manuals/en/a-layer/html/index.html

had no punctuation at all, so we have 'imported' punctuation from another, slightly different text (the Clementine Vulgate). This means that there is even more potential for errors.

The interface therefore allows for changes in the sentence boundaries through the use of the two buttons in the sentence division field. 'Merge with next' will merge the sentence with the next sentence; 'edit' will open a box which allows the annotator to split the sentence in two by inserting a |(pipe character) into the xml-presentation of the sentence. Care should be taken not to split the sentence inside an XML element; normally, a new sentence should start right after a space (<s> </s>).

Grouping of main clauses

Whether two main sentences with  $\kappa a l$ , e t, 1 or a similar conjunction between them have been conjoined or not depends on the punctuation used by the editor. The annotators should in general not change this, but only verify

- that there are no 'off-by-one' errors, ie. cases where the sentence boundary is wrong by a couple of words. This can happen if there are important textual deviations between the Clementine Vulgate and our text. Also, subjunctions like *quia* are often placed together with direct speech ('mixed speech'), but should belong with the verb of saying.
- that the sentence does not contain two main clauses which are not conjoined by a conjunction. In general we prefer to split such sentences instead of coordinating two main clauses using a null conjunction.
- that there are no subordinate clauses which have been assigned to the wrong governing main clause

Notice that the most frequent off-by-one-error occurs when a subjunction like quia is put in the same sentence as direct speech. In such cases, the subjunction should be dependent on the verb of speech (normally via the relation COMP), but not itself have any dependent, because the direct speech is marked off as a separate sentence. Notice that sentences introduced by subjunctions should be considered indirect speech if this is possible, ie. if there is no evidence from e.g. pronouns (first or second person pronouns if the subject of the verb of saying is in the third person) or other deictic elements to indicate that the quote is direct.

'Mixed' speech

Indirect speech should depend on, and be grouped with, the sentence containing the verb of speech. Direct speech should be separated off as main clauses. If a sentence contains both a verb of saying and some direct speech, it is possible to analyse this as two separate sentences, see the next section.

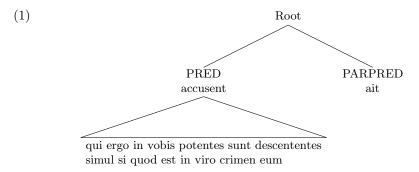
Direct and indirect speech

There are cases where one main clause is entirely included in another main clause as a parenthetical sentence. Since we consider direct speech as main clauses, this is the case whenever a verb of speech is inserted parenthetically into a sequence of direct speech, as in the following example (Acts 25.5):

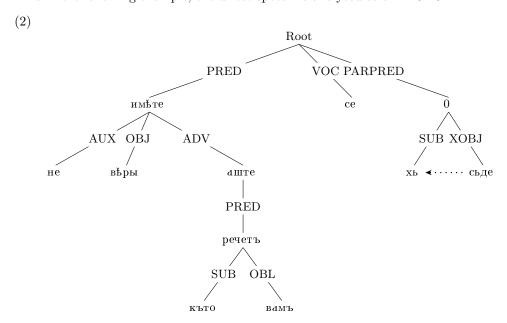
Parenthetical sentences

οί οὖν ἐν ὑμῖν, φησίν, δυνατοὶ συνκαταβάντες εἴ τί ἐστιν ἐν τῷ ἀνδρὶ ἄτοπον κατηγορείτωσαν αὐτοῦ. Qui ergo in vobis, ait, potentes sunt, descendentes simul, si quod est in viro crimen, accusent eum.

This should be split into two sentences, a PRED and a PARPRED. Disregarding the internal structure of the main clause, the analysis will look the following way:



Conversely, when direct speech is wedged into another main clause, as сьде хь is in the following example, the direct speech is analysed as a PARPRED:



аште речетъ къто вамъ се съде хь. не имѣте вѣры 'If someone tells you 'Christ is here', do not believe him.'

But there are also longer parenthetical sentences, especially in Paul. For the purpose of the sentence boundaries, the whole should be treated as one sentence. In analysing the syntactic dependencies, the verb of the parenthetical sentence should be made dependent directly on the sentence root (and not on the main clause) via the relation PARPRED (parenthetical predication).

Notice that only PRED, PARPRED and VOC relations are allowed directly under the root.

#### 4 Tokenization

The words to be analyzed and represented in the dependency tree do not always match those in the text. Sometimes elements which need to be treated as separate tokens in the syntactic model are run together in the text. This is the case with *krasis* in Greek, and with enclitic -que in Latin. The conjunction cum negation neque has also been split into a conjunction part que and a negation part ne. When the meaning is 'not even' we do not split it.

Clitics, krasis

#### 5 The verb

The verb is the central element of every predication. We model this by taking the verb to be the head of all other elements in its sentence (except subjunctions, see section 10.2). We also let the verb "stand in" for the sentence as a whole, which means that it is annotated with the function of the whole sentence (unless, again, a subjunction is present). This structure is apparent in example 1: although the internal structure of the main clause is not shown in the figure, we see that the main verb dominates all the other elements of its sentence.

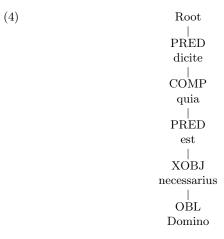
Main clauses do not have a function within some larger sentence, therefore their verbs are attached to the root via the relation PREDication:

Main clauses

Dico enim vobis

In subordinate clauses introduced by a subjunction, the subjunction is assigned the relation which corresponds to the function of the clause, and the verb is attached to the subjunction via the relation PRED:

Subordinate clauses



Dicite quia Domino necessarius est

For more on subordinate clauses with subjunctions, see section 10.2. Sometimes the subjunction is missing even in sentences where we would expect one, see section 10.3.

In other contexts (relative clauses, accusative with infinitives, absolute constructions, dominant participles, conjunct participles and governed infinitives), verbs will be annotated with the function of the whole construction, see section 10. This means that a verb should always be present: if it is not in the text, it will have to be inserted, see section 12.

Other embedded predications

Auxiliary verbs are attached to the main verb via the relation Aux:

Auxiliary verbs

$$(5) \qquad \begin{array}{c|c} \operatorname{Root} & & \\ & | & \\ \operatorname{PRED} & \\ \operatorname{dictum} & \\ & \\ \operatorname{Aux} & \operatorname{OBL} \\ \operatorname{est} & \operatorname{uobis} \end{array}$$

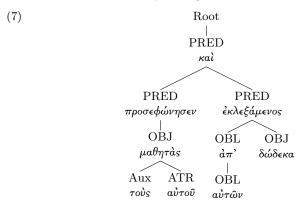
Dictum est vobis

Since we only allow PRED, PARPRED and VOC under the root, it is necessary to supply an empty verb whenever none is present. For example, when Jesus asks the disciples how many baskets of bread they distributed, the disciples answer 'seven':

Non-verbal predication

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \text{Root} & & & \\ & & | \\ \text{PRED} \\ 0 \\ & | \\ \text{OBJ} \\ \text{septem} \end{array}$$

On the other hand, there are cases where a participle is coordinated with a finite verb. Since we annotate syntactic function, and not form, these are treated as PREDs, corresponding to their function:

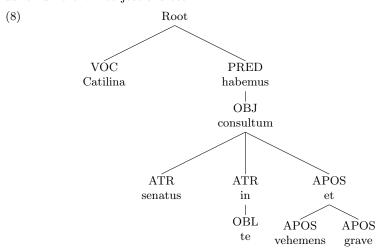


προσεφώνησεν τους μαθητάς αὐτοῦ, καὶ ἐκλεξάμενος ἀπ' αὐτῶν δώδεκα

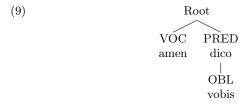
### 6 Exclamations

We use the relation VOC for all kinds of exclamations. These are placed directly under the root, as they are external to the sentence. In the syntactic annotation we annotate function and not form, so this relation is not only used for vocative nouns, but also for nominative and accusative exclamations as well as for different interjections etc.

Vocatives, interjections

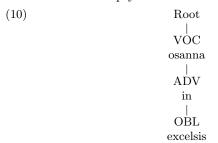


Habemus senatus consultum in te, Catilina, vehemens et grave



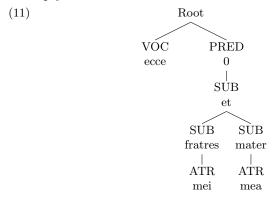
Amen, dico vobis

Some sentences consist of only an exclamation. In such cases there is no need to introduce an empty PRED-node:



Osanna in excelsis

Notice in particular that *ecce*, ιδού, and ce belong here. In many cases, these are used in presentation constructions, which should then be analysed as involving an empty PRED 10474:



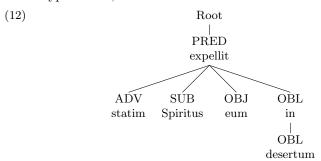
ecce mater mea et fratres mei 'Behold my mother and my brethren'

# 7 Non-verbal sentence-level grammatical relations

In this section we describe sentence-level grammatical relations, ie. relations that have a verbal node as a head. These are SUBject, OBJect, OBLique, AGent, XOBJ (predicative complement) and ADVerbial, as well as some supertags described in section 7.8

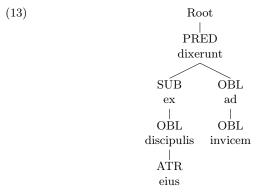
## 7.1 Subject

In the typical case, SUB relates a nominative noun to its verb:

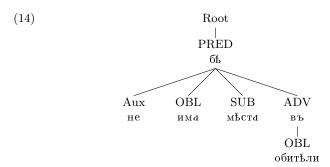


statim Spiritus expellit eum in desertum

But on some occasions, we also find partitive expressions (genitive nouns and prepositional phrases) which are subjects and must be given the relation SUB: subjects

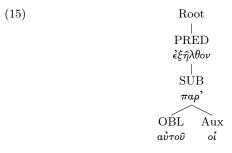


 $ex\ discipulis\ eius\ dixerunt\ ad\ invicem$ 



не бѣ има мѣста въ обитѣли (Luke 2:7)

Note that more generally, preposition phrases can serve as subjects in Greek when they are nominalised by the article:



οί παρ' αὐτοῦ ἐξῆλθον

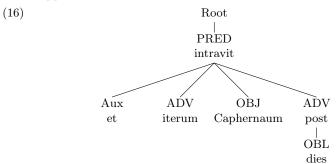
Note that (non-articular) infinitives are never subjects, but rather COMPs or XOBJs, see section 15.11.

Subjects can also be nouns in oblique cases in an absolute construction, see section 10.7.

Subjects in absolute constructions

## 7.2 Object

In the typical case, OBJ relates an accusative noun to the verb:



iterum intravit Capharnaum post dies

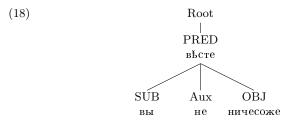
OCS genitive-formed accusative objects should of course also be analysed as OBJ, not OBL. In some cases there may be doubt whether the verb requires a genitive or an accusative, or may occur with either. In such cases the supertag ARG should be used, see section 7.8.

As with subjects, we sometimes find partitive expressions which are objects. They are given the relation  ${\rm OBJ}$ :

Partitive objects

Partitive objects raise a problem which does not occur with partitive subjects, since they must be distinguished from normal governed genitives as we find, f.ex. with *meminisse*. The relation OBJ should only be assigned if an accusative could be substituted. If in doubt, consult section 7.8. In OCS, it can be hard to distinguish partitive genitive objects (OBJs) from genitive objects required by the verb (OBLs). If in doubt, use the supertag ARG.

In OCS, negated objects regularly occur in the genitive. They should be analysed as OBJs. Again, if there is doubt whether the verb requires the accusative or the genitive, use the supertag ARG.



вы не въсте ничесоже (John 11:49)

Notice also that the OCS supine demands genitive objects. If the verb requires an accusative object in other forms, the genitive object of the supine should still be an OBJ. If there is doubt whether the verb requires the accusative or the genitive, the supertag ARG should again be used.

Some verbs, like *docere*, take two accusatives. In such cases, annotators should first check if both accusatives qualifies as arguments (see section 16.1). If they do, it is possible to take both accusatives as OBJects, but this should only be done if both accusatives could become subjects in a passive construction. If only one of the accusatives can be the subject in a passive construction, the other accusative must become an OBL (or an ADV, if it does not qualify for argumenthood). Very often, it is not possible to determine whether a given accusative can become the subject in the passive or not; in such cases, annotators should assume that they can be, and annotate them as object. Thus the 'default case' is that two accusative arguments of a verb should both be treated as OBJects.

Note that (non-articular) infinitives are never subjects, but rather COMPs, see section 15.11.

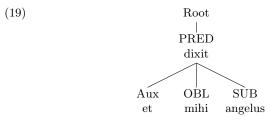
#### 7.3 Obliques

We use the relation OBLique to attach those arguments of the verb which are not subjects or objects to the clausal node. By argument we mean any syntactic element seen as required by a verb. This could be a genitive, as with meminisse; a dative, as with sucurrere; an ablative, as with uti; a prepositional phrase, as with pertinere and in general with motion verbs; and even an adverb, as with

Double accusatives

tractare. It is not always clear whether a noun phrase is an oblique argument or not; or whether a genitive is a partitive object or an oblique argument. If in doubt consult section 7.8. Oblique arguments include non-accusative 'objects' as well as prepostional arguments.

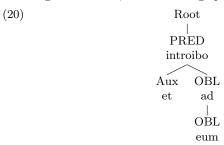
Indirect objects



et dixit mihi angelus

We include all directional expressions here (goal and source) here when they are used with motion verbs. This goes both for prepositions and adverbs, so e.g. *huc* should very often be an OBL. Other prepositions that are necessary to the meaning of the verb, such as in e.g. *pertinere ad*, also belong here:

Prepositional arguments

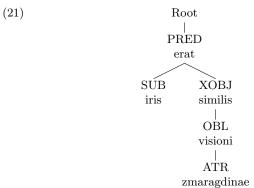


et introibo ad eum

Path expressions, on the other hand, are normally not oblique arguments, but rather adjuncts. Exceptions occur, however, for example in cases where the path argument is 'required' by a preverb.

A restricted group of adjectives such as *similis, dissimilis* also take complement nouns. We relate these nouns to their adjectives via the relation OBL:

Arguments of adjectives



iris erat similis visioni zmaragdinae

As the last example illustrates, the complement of the preposition is also considered an oblique argument (of the preposition), no matter the function of the phrase as a whole:

Objects of prepositions

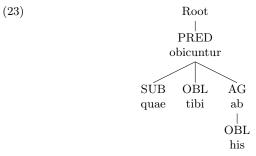
$$(22) \qquad \begin{array}{c} \operatorname{Root} \\ | \\ \operatorname{PRED} \\ \operatorname{cenabo} \\ | \\ \operatorname{ADV} \\ \operatorname{cum} \\ | \\ \operatorname{OBL} \\ \operatorname{illo} \end{array}$$

cenabo cum illo

### 7.4 Agents in passive constructions

In passive constructions, and some rare active ones, we use the relation AG to relate a non-nominative agent to the verb. A typical example is:

PPs as agents

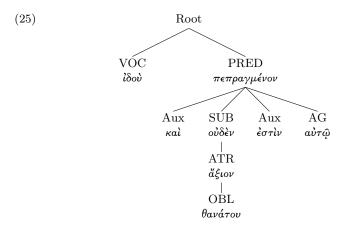


quae tibi obicuntur ab his

кръсти са отъ иоана (Mark 1:9)

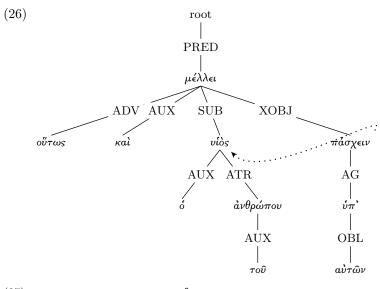
The same relation AGent is used whenever the agent is expressed by a pure case form rather than a prepositional construction:

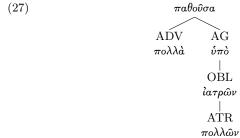
Pure case forms



ίδοὺ οὐδὲν ἄξιον θανάτου ἐστὶν πεπραγμένον αὐτῷ

The AG tag is ordinarily used to express the agent with a passive verb. In Greek, however, some intransitives are regularly used instead of the expected passive form of a verb. Verbs occurring with this construction include  $\pi \acute{a}\sigma \chi \omega$ ,  $\pi \acute{t}\pi \tau \omega$ ,  $\phi \epsilon \acute{v} \gamma \omega$ ,  $\epsilon \acute{v} \equiv \kappa \alpha \kappa \hat{\omega} s$   $\dot{a}\kappa o \acute{v} \omega$ ,  $\dot{a}\pi o \theta v \acute{\eta} \sigma \kappa \omega$ .





Since these verbs are functionally equivalent to passives and have supplanted the passive verbs forms (although the passive of e.g.  $\partial \pi o \partial \nu \dot{\eta} \sigma \kappa \omega$  does also occur in the NT), we allow for prepositional phrases with  $\dot{\nu}\pi\dot{\rho}$  to be marked as AG. Note, however, that this is only allowed with a restricted set of verbs and is most often found in Greek. There are some examples, e.g.  $\mu c \eta b J b T u$  in 40449.

Note finally that infinitives in Gothic are ambiguous with regard to diathesis, so that what looks like (and is tagged as) an active infinitive can take an agent expresssion and have passive meaning.

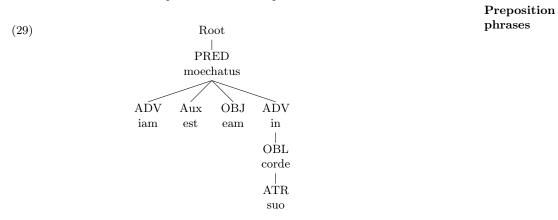
#### 7.5 Adverbials

We use the relation ADVerbial to attach adverbial expressions to the sentence. Such expressions can take various forms: adverbs, preposition phrases, nouns (in oblique cases), participles and gerunds. In some cases, it is not clear whether they are adverbials or oblique arguments, and in that case, sections 7.8 and 16.1 should be consulted:

Adverbs

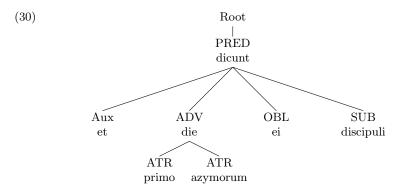


epulabatur cotidie splendide



iam moechatus est eam in corde suo

Noun in oblique case



Et primo die azymorum dicunt ei discipuli

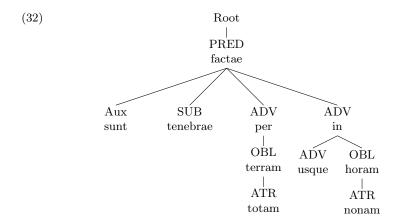
We also consider predicative/conjunct participles and adjectives (see sections 16.3 and 10.9.2), as well as gerunds, to be adverbial, but they special because they are cases of embedded predications with their own argument structure. Moreover, they are special in that they cannot take a subject dependent. They are further described in section 10.9. In the nominal domain, we do not try to separate predicative nouns from appositions, see section 9.3.

Adverbial accusatives are also ADVs and annotators should beware that multum, multa,  $\pi o \lambda \lambda \dot{\alpha}$  and the like are often ADV and not OBJ.

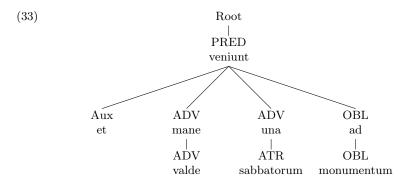
The relation ADV is also used for sub-sentence-level modifiers of adjectives, prepositions, numerals (see 36579) and other adverbs:

Adverbial accusative ADV modifying non-verbal elements

erat valde dives



tenebrae factae sunt per totam terram usque in horam nonam

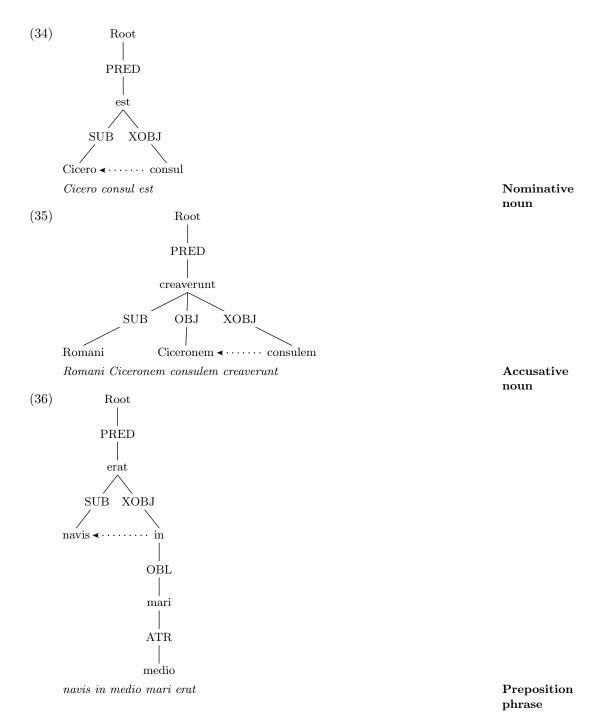


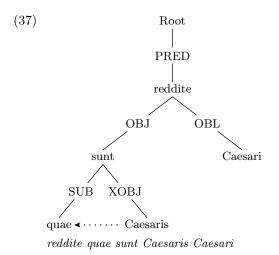
et valde mane una sabbatorum veniunt ad monumentum

#### 7.6 Predicative complements

The relation XOBJ is used for subject and object complements (as well as other functions as explained in section 16.5) which are introduced by verbs like *esse*, *uideri*, *appellari*, *fieri* (subject complements) and *facere*, *creare* (object complements), as well as in verbless absolute ablatives (see section 10.7). The relation itself does not make clear whether we are dealing with a subject predicative or an object predicative. Instead, we use the slash notation to mark this, see section 14. Note that in OCS, complements can be instrumental-marked. They should still be analysed as XOBJs, not as OBLs. The same goes for complements introduced by a preposition, such as in Gothic *wairpan du*, OCS быти вър.

Note that predicatives can be of many different syntactic categories: adjectives, nouns and preposition phrases are typical examples:



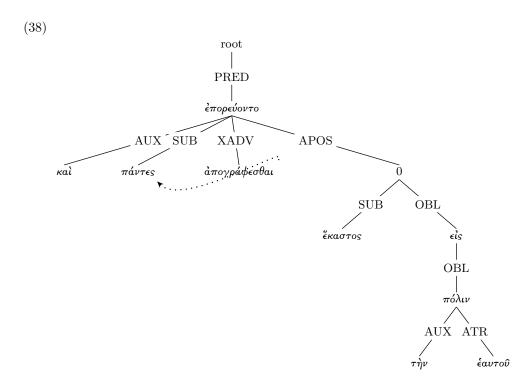


Genitive noun

Notice that we also use XOBJ for some 'non-standard' copulas such as Greek  $\xi \chi \omega$  in constructions such as  $\xi \chi \omega$  ' $\xi \tau o (\mu \omega s$ ' 'be ready'.

### 7.7 Adverbal appositions

Although appositions are normally dependents of sentence constituents, there is at least one case where we use sentence level appositions, namely in the case of 'distributive elaborations', i.e. cases where a predicational structure (normally without a finite verb) containing a distributive element or a list. A classical example is and all were going to be enrolled, each to his proper city:



καὶ ἐπορεύοντο πάντες ἀπογράφεσθαι, ἕκαστος εἰς τὴν ἑαυτοῦ πόλιν.

Since the appositive element is not a constituent, we need to embed the separate elements under an empty verbal node, which is then given the relation APOS to the finite verb.

#### 7.8 Supertags

The distinctions that we attempt to make in our syntactic model are not always crystal clear. Section 16 offers some supplementary advice on the use of some relations. In order to preserve the quality of the data, we also provide certain supertags which the annotators should use when they are in doubt, instead of simply choosing one of the alternatives. These are:

- PER for peripheral (not subject or object) elements, ie. OBL or ADV. This should be used whenever it is not possible to decide whether an element is an argument or an adjunct.
- ARG for arguments, to be used whenever it is not possible to decide whenever an element is an OBJect or an OBLique.
- NONSUB for non-subjects, ie. elements that are either OBJets, OBLiques or ADVerbials<sup>3</sup>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup>This case is extremely rare, of course, but the tag can also be used to flag anomalies which the reviewers should look at.

In addition there are supertags for verbal functions, see section 10.10 and a supertag for adnominal functions, see section 9.

#### 7.9 Auxiliary words

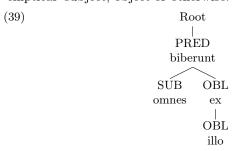
Items that are not covered by these tags are simply given the tag Aux, which serves to mark auxiliary verbs, modal particles, focus particles, negation etc. Information about these items is always recoverable from the categorial information in their morphology. The intuition behind the relation Aux is that it serves to mark off 'grammatical words' as opposed to 'lexical words'. There are certain adverbs whose meaning can sometimes be so weakened that they appear as grammatical words (ergo signalling simple progression for example), so the distinction between Aux and ADV is not always clear.

It can be a bit confusing that the Aux tag is used for so many different groups. What these words have in common is that they do not really bear a syntactic function towards their heads, they just give additional information about them. An article specifies the definiteness of its head noun; a negation negates its head word, a focus particle gives information about the information status of its head, auxiliary verbs gives tense and aspect information relating to the verb etc.

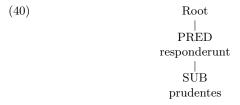
It is important to attend to scope issues: auxiliary verbs should be attached via Aux to their verbs; focus particles and constituent negation should be attached to the items they take scope over. In general, a scoping item is considered to scope over its mother node and all nodes dominated by its mother, and it should be placed accordingly. For more on this, see section 15.7.

# 8 Noun phrases without nouns

Sometimes a sentence-level function is not filled by a noun, but by an adjective, participle or a numeral. Such elements should be given the appropriate function in the sentence, and should *not* be related to an empty node representing the 'elliptical' subject, object or otherwise:



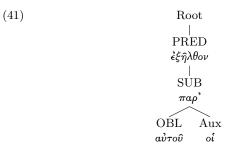
omnes ex illo biberunt



 $responderunt\ prudentes$ 

Before opting for such an analysis, the annotators should make sure that the adjective/participle is not predicative. The example above means 'The wise ones answered'. If the sentence meant 'Being wise, they answered' or 'They answered wisely', *prudentes* would have been an XADV, see section 10.9.2.

As we have seen in the sections on the subject (7.1) and the object (7.2) even prepositional phrases can be subjects and objects, especially when they express partitivity. Another construction, which is fairly frequent in Greek, is the nominalisation of prepositions and adverbs in constructions like of  $\pi a \rho$  adv $\sigma o v$  'the ones around him' or o v v v 'people nowadays'. In such cases, the preposition should be the head and the article an Aux, as usual:



οί παρ' αὐτοῦ ἐξ $\hat{\eta}$ λθον 'The ones around him went out'

Sometimes there are several adjectives, participles and/or numerals. In such cases annotators will have to make a choice as to what is the head of the construction and what is the modifier/attribute. In general, the element which is most central to establishing the referent should be the head.

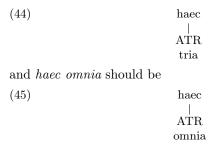
This means that numerals should not be the head if there are other available heads, so  $alii\ duo$  'two others' should be

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \text{(42)} & & \text{alii} \\ & & | \\ & \text{ATR} \\ & \text{duo} \end{array}$$

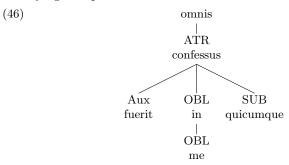
and not the other way around. Generally the hierarchy is

(43) adjectives, participles ≫ nominalized prepositional phrases ≫ demonstratives ≫ indefinite pronouns ≫ numerals ≫ relative clauses

This means that tria haec should be



Notice that since relative clauses are lowest on the hierarchy, sentences like *omnis quicumque confessus fuerit in me* will be representendes as relative clauses modifying the quantifier:



'whoever believes in me'

# 9 Adnominal tags

#### 9.1 General

Dependents of nouns can be of various types. There are negations, emphatic particles etc. which are related via Aux, but with due consideration of scope issues (see section 15.7). In general, 'grammatical words' will bear the relation Aux, whereas 'lexical words' which are dependents of nouns will have various relations depending on their function. We recognise 4 main types:

ATR - attributes are elements which serve to restrict the reference of a noun. For example, in *canis albus* the adjective *albus* serves to restrict the possible reference of the noun *canis*. Attributes can be adjectives, prepositional phrases, relative clauses, participles, genitives, number words - but these categories can also have other adnominal functions, so it is important to pay attention here.

APOS - appositions are elements which serve to further elaborate on a nominal referent, without restricting the reference. Examples are *consul* in *Cicero consul*, *frater* in *Marcus frater*. Appositions are mostly nouns in the same case as their head, and non-restrictive relative clauses.

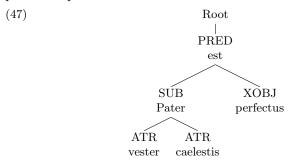
**PART** - partitives are elements which tell us to which group or whole the noun belongs. They are typically realised by genitives or by prepositions like ex, de,  $\dot{a}\pi\dot{o}$  etc.

NARG - some elements can be said to be arguments of nouns. The most clear example is the object genitive, as in spes uincendi or amor fati. Arguments can also be realised as prepositional phrases, as in e.g. Dei amor erga nos. Here erga is an argument of amor (and nos is in turn an argument of erga). Note that subject genitives are counted among the normal possessive genitives, as attributes. Arguments of adjectives are not NARGs but OBLs.

These categories are further explained and exemplified in the following sections. There is also supplementary information in section 16. If in doubt annotators should use the supertag ADNOM.

#### 9.2 Attributes

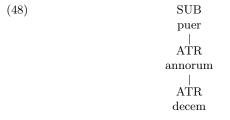
Attributes are given the tag ATR. Here is an example with an adjective and a possessive pronoun:



pater vester caelestis perfectus est.

Here is a subtree involving a descriptive genitive and a numeral which is an attribute of the genitive noun:

Descriptive genitives

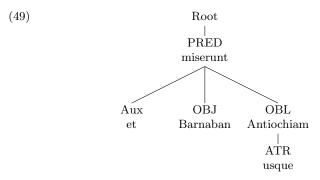


puer decem annorum

There are various other possibilities not illustrated here, such as possessive genitive (patris filius) and definitive genitives (arbor fici). Also, restrictive relative clauses are considered attributes, see section 10.4.

We use the tag ATR also for some constructions which are not traditionally called attributes, f.ex. because we do not allow nouns to take adverbial dependents. If a noun (f.ex. the name of a city or a small island in Latin) is equivalent to a directional prepositional phrase, dependent adverbs will have to be ATR and not ADV:

Nontraditional attributes



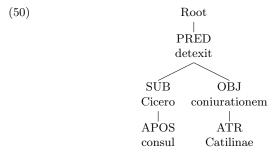
et miserunt Barnaban usque Antiochiam

Therefore it is useful to think of the ATR as not only comprising traditional attributes but all kinds of modifiers of nouns.

### 9.3 Appositions

This section deals with adnominal appositions. We also use the APOS tag in a variety of sentential contexts, see section 7.7.

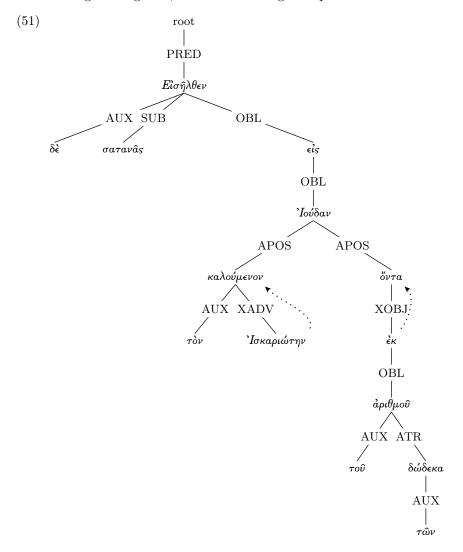
Appositive nouns are attached to their head noun via the relation APOS. Such nouns are never restrictive (if they are, they are attached via the relation ATR instead), and we do not attempt to keep apart predicative appositions from other appositive nouns.



Cicero consul coniurationem Catilinae detexit

Non-restrictive relative clauses are also considered appositions, see section 10.4. Notice in particular that 'second names', and modifiers of names, as in *Maria Magdalena* or *Iesus Christus*, are always considered appositions. In OCS, such 'second names' are generally denominal adjectives.

Names and modifyers of names There can sometimes be doubt whether a participle is an apposition or a predicative adjunct. In general, APOS should be chosen whenever a timeless property of the head is expressed, or at least a property which is not tied to the time of the governing verb, as in the following example:



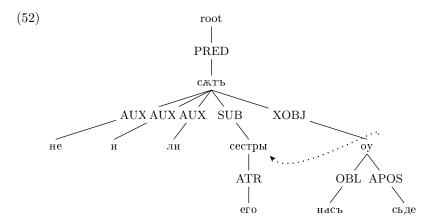
Εἰσῆλθεν δὲ σατανᾶς εἰς Ἰούδαν τὸν καλούμενον Ἰσκαριώτην, ὄντα ἐκ τοῦ ἀριθμοῦ τῶν δώδεκα

Satan entered Judas, called Iscariot, one of the Twelve.

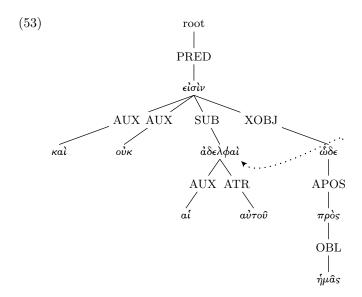
Being called Iscariot and being one of the Twelve are properties of Judas that are not temporally connected with the event of Satan entering Judas, so we use XADV instead of APOS.

When multiple expressions with the same function occur, it is often difficult to decide which one to take as the head and which one as the apposition. In such cases we follow the surface word order: the expressions which comes first in the sentence is taken as the head, while the one that follows, is taken as an apposition.

Appositions and word order



не и ли сестры его сжтъ оу насъ съде. Are not his sisters with us, here?



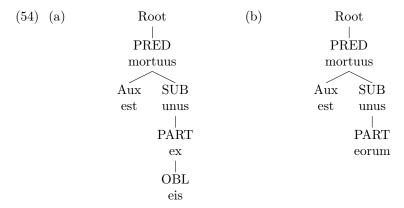
καὶ οὐκ εἰσὶν αἱ ἀδελφαὶ αὐτοῦ ὧδε πρὸς ἡμᾶς· Are not his sisters here with us?

In the Greek text, the adverb comes first and the PP second while in the OCS text it is the other way around. Following linear principle, we take the PP as an apposition on the adverb in the Greek text while in the OCS text the adverb is

taken as an apposition on the PP. It is important to remember, however, that this approach is only possible when the two (or more) elements have the same function, in this case both functioning as place adverbials. A time adverbial should not be taken as an apposition on a place adverbial even though they both carry the ADV tag.

#### 9.4 Partitives

Adnominal partitive expressions are typically realised as genitives or preposition phrases:

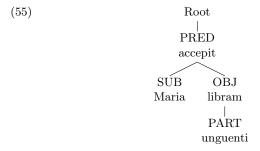


Unus ex eis mortuus est

Unus eorum mortuus est

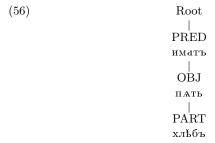
Notice that PART is reserved strictly for adnominal partitives. It should *not* be used for partitive objects. These are OBJs, and only the morphology signals that they are partitives. This means that *ut ab agricolis acciperet de fructu vineae*, there is no partitive: *de fructu vineae* is a normal object of *acciperet*.

The PART relation is not limited to the meaning 'one of/some of'. It is also used for other part-whole relations as in



Maria accepit libram unguenti

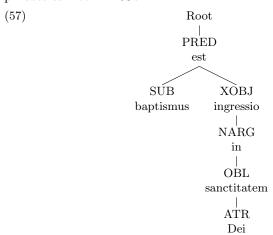
Genitives required by numerals (as often happens in OCS, but also in other languages) should be analysed as PART:



In general, PART should not be used for 'components' such as body part nouns, or 'the root of the tree' and similar: there should be a *contingent* part-whole relationship, not a permanent one. The head will generally be a measure noun of some sort.

#### 9.5 Arguments of nouns

Nouns, especially deverbal nouns, can take arguments just like verbs.<sup>4</sup> A clear case are so-called objective genitives, but also other items like prepositional phrases can be NARGs:



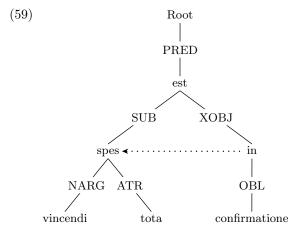
baptismus est ingressio in sanctitatem Dei

In OCS, arguments of nouns can sometimes be denominal adjectives, as бзии in the following example:

#### (58) и бѣ об ношть въ молитвѣ бзии

Verbal nouns, such as infinitives and gerundives, are often NARGs when they are dependent on deverbal nouns, but they can also restrict the nouns, see section 15.24.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup>However, nouns very rarely take direct object arguments, although some exceptions are found e.g. in early Latin.



Tota spes vincendi est in confirmatione

In such cases, there is not always a clear subject in the sentence. But if there is one, it should be marked by a slash arrow. Consult sections 15.10 and 15.11 for further information.

## 10 Embedded predication

Embedded predications are divided in two major classes according to whether they can have their own, overt subject or not. Predications which cannot have an overt subject are called *open*, because their subject is supplied from outside the construction. They include some infinitives, such as the complement infinitives of *posse* - witness the grammaticality of *potesne mihi auscultare* as opposed to \*potesne te mihi auscultare - and conjunct participles, whose subject is always coreferent with some other element of the sentence, but never expressed as a dependent of the participle. Open predications are further discussed in section 10.9. Sections 10.1 to 10.8 describe various kinds of closed predications.

The distinction between open and closed predications has to do with being a sentence or not. 'Real' subordinate sentences, introduced by subjunctions, have all it takes to be a sentence: a subject, a predicate, aspect, voice, etc. etc. Accusative with infinitive structures and absolute construction and even the *ab urbe condita*-constrution also have these characteristics. So we can refer to these as subordinate *sentences*. Conjunct participles are also like sentences in some ways, but differ in a crucial respect, since they do not have their own subject.

#### 10.1 The basic types of subordinate clauses

Traditional grammar divides subordinate clauses into three groups: substantival sentences, adjectival sentences and adverbial sentences. This distinction reflected in our annotation.

Open and closed predications

#### 10.1.1 Substantival sentences

Substantival sentences are also called complement sentences because they complement the main verb. They often seem to have the same functions as nouns, most often as objects, but sometimes as subjects. However, we do not attempt to keep such functions apart, but use COMP for all of them. We treat them this way, because in a sentence like dicitur Homerum caecum fuisse, it is not easy to tell whether Homerum caecum fuisse is the subject of dicitur or rather the object of an impersonal construction.

In effect COMP 'overrules' other relations whenever an argument is sentenceformed. Most of the time it functions as a subject or an object, but sometimes sentences can be arguments of nouns, in which case they are marked as COMP rather than NARG; or as predicatives (in sentences like 'My will is that'), where they are COMP instead of XOBJ.

Substantival sentences are typically AcIs, indirect questions and subordinate clauses introduced by quod, quia, bko and  $\delta \tau \iota$  (in the meaning 'that', not 'because', which introduces an adverbial sentence). Notice that in Biblical Greek  $b\nu a$  is also used to introduce complement clauses much more regularly than in Classical Greek. In Latin, complement clauses can also be introduced by ut, ne, quominus and quin. The criterion is that the sentence is selected by the verb: persuadere selects an ut-sentence, f.ex., so this sentence is a COMP. The same goes for locutions like prohibeo quominus and haud dubito quin. Sometimes a subordinate clause is not introduced by any subjunction at all and such subordinate clauses are always COMPs.

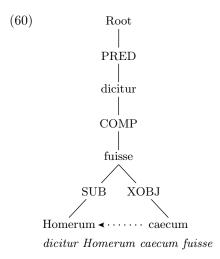
The COMP relation takes precedence over other relations, even in adnominal contexts. A complement sentence which is dependent on a noun should therefore be COMP, not NARG, as in  $\tau \delta \epsilon \dot{\nu} a \gamma \gamma \dot{\epsilon} \lambda \iota o \nu \ \sigma \tau \iota ...$ , see 6516.

Notice that an ut-sentence which depends on persuadere differs from the ut-sentence which can be added to any verb, to express intention. A fairly comprehensive list of verbs that take completive ut in Latin is: accidit, adhortor, adipiscor, admoneo, caveo, cogo, concedo, constituo, contendo, contingit, convenit, decerno, denuntio, deprecor, dico, edico, efficio, enitor, evenit, facio, fit, flagito, hortor, impello, impero, impetro, incito, interdico, interest, iubeo, laboro, mando, mereo, moneo, obsecro, opto, oro, permitto, persuadeo, peto, placet, posco, postulo, praecipio, praescribo, precor, rogo, scribo, sequitur, sino, statuo, studeo, suadeo, subigo, volo No such list is available for Biblical Greek or the other languages, but the intuition to follow is that with verbs with the above semantics, the ut-sentence belongs closer to the verb than in other cases, where it introduces an adverbial sentence.

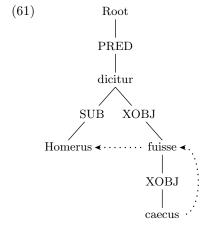
For guidelines on how to annotate the various complement sentences, consult sections 10.2 (finite sentences with subjunctions), 10.3 (finite sentences without subjunction), 10.6 (accusative with infinitive) and 10.5 (indirect questions).

Our representation is therefore:

Types of complement sentences



Notice that the so-called nominative with infinitive is treated differently:



 $dicitur\ Homerus\ caecus\ fuisse$ 

In the nominative with infinitive, the infinitive no longer has its own subject, so it is an XOBJ and not a COMP.

Another common variant of the complement clause is the indirect question:

#### 10.1.2 Adjectival sentences

Relative sentences are adjectival in the sense that they have the same functions as adjectives. They are often adnominal (ADV and ATR), but can also be 'substantivized' and used directly for sentence-level functions without having a antecedent.

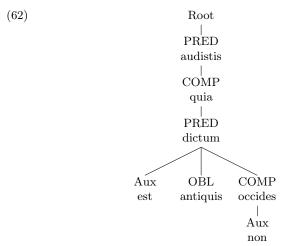
Relative sentences are the only adjectival sentences and their annotation is further described in section 10.4.

#### 10.1.3 Adverbial sentences

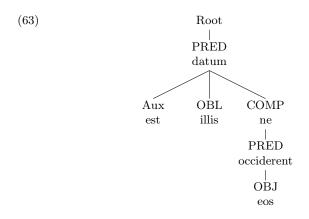
Adverbial sentences are sentences which express information about time, intention, result, cause, concession, condition etc. Absolute constructions (10.7) belong here. Otherwise, they are always introduced by subjunctions and treated in section 10.2. Some subjunctions which introduce adverbial sentences in latin are: cum, donec, dum, ne, nec, neque, nisi, postquam, prout, quando, quia, quoadusque, quod, quoniam, si, sicut, siquidem In Greek, at least  $\check{\epsilon}av$ ,  $\check{\epsilon}"$ ,  $\check{\epsilon}"$  $\pi\acute{\epsilon}u$ ,  $\check{\epsilon}"$  $\pi\acute{\epsilon}u$ ,  $\check{\epsilon}"$ u,  $\check{\epsilon}"$ u,

#### 10.2 Finite subordinate clauses with subjunctions

In subordinate clauses, except relative clauses, the finite verb is attached to the subjunction via the same relation PRED that we use in main clauses. The subjunction is related to the matrix clause via COMP if it is a complement clause:

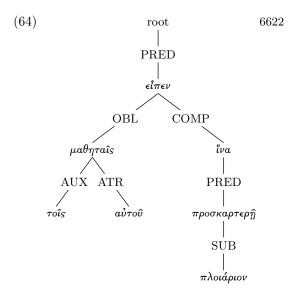


audistis quis dictum est antiquis non occides



Only a restricted group of subjunctions introduce COMPs, see the discussion in in section 10.1.1. Many more subjunctions introduce adverbial sentences, consult section 10.1.3.

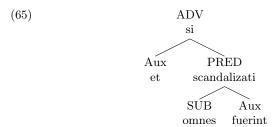
In Greek, verbs of saying such as  $\lambda \acute{\epsilon} \gamma \epsilon \iota \nu$  or  $\epsilon i \pi \epsilon \hat{\iota} \nu$  may take a complement clause introduced by  $\emph{l}\nu a$ , in which case the speech verb itself is interpreted as expressing the will of the speaker.



When a speech verb is overtly present, we assign the relation COMP to the subjunction  $\tilde{\nu}\alpha$ . When no speech verb is present, however,  $\tilde{\nu}\alpha$  may function as a subjunctive marker and the clause may act as a main clause equivalent to an imperative clause.

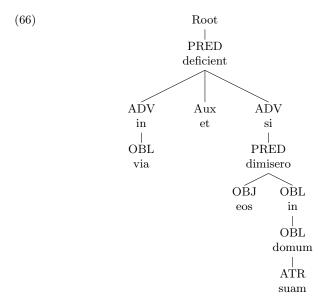
Notice that in most cases the subjunction will only have a single daughter, the verb, although sometimes a subjunction can be modified. For example, we can have  $\epsilon i \kappa a i$  or  $\epsilon t si$  (=  $\epsilon t si$ ) where  $\kappa a i / \epsilon t$  modifies the subjunction:

Modification of a subjunction



et si omnes fuerint scandalizati

This means 'even if everyone is scandalized'. In cases where  $et\ si$  means 'and if',  $et\ should$  be attached to the main verb:



et si dimisero eos in domum suam deficient in via

Here the meaning is 'And if I send them home, they will faint on their way', ie. et modifies the whole sentence, and not the subjunction alone.

#### 10.3 Finite subordinate clauses without subjunction

It can happen that a finite subordinate clause is not introduced by a subjunction, e.g. when ut is left out. In such cases, the function of the subordinate clause is annotated directly on the verb, and the function is almost always COMP:

vide dixeris nemini

#### 10.4 Relative clauses

Relative clauses differ from other finite subordinate clauses in that they do not have a subjunction. Instead, they are introduced by an element (the relative pronouns or adverbial) which also has a role in the sentence, such as subject, object, oblique or adverbial. Therefore these sentences should be headed by

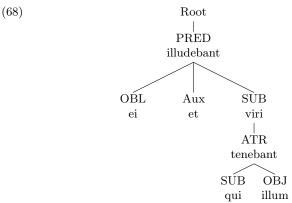
the verb directly, and the relative or interrogative should be annotated with its function within the clause. In other words, it is **never** correct to let an adverbial or relative word head a sentece. This also goes for relative adverbs like *ubi* and similar words.

Annotators are often tempted to let the relative pronoun depend on its antecedent: after all it agrees with its antecedent in gender and number. But we annotate syntactic *function* and function is indicated by *case*. On the other hand, the verb of the relative clause should be made dependent on the pronoun's antecedent (if there is one) since that is what the relative clause modifies.

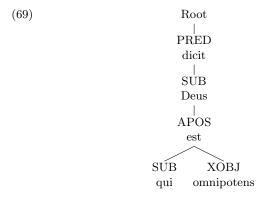
The verb of such subordinate sentences is given the relation corresponding to the function of the sentence as a whole. There are several possible functions.

The verb of a relative clause with an antecedent is attached to the antecendent via the relation ATR (restrictive relative clauses) or APOS (non-restrictive relative clauses):

Adnominal relative clauses



Et viri qui tenebant illum, illudebant ei



dicit Deus qui est omnipotens

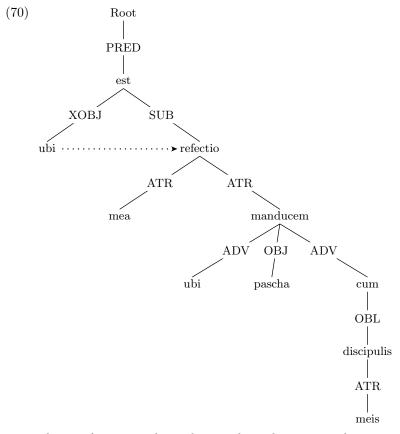
Whenever there are two verbs which share one relative word, we make the relative word dependent on the closest verb, but it is important to add a shared argument slash from the second verb to show that we deal with a relative clause.

However, this is only possible when the relative pronoun has the same function in both clauses, see below.

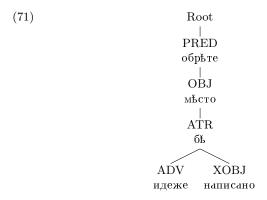
If the verb of the relative clause was instead attached via the relation ATR, this would correspond to the semantic interpretation "the god who is omnipotent" (in contrast to some other god). If it is not possible to decide whether a relative clause is restrictive or not, use the supertag REL.

It is important that not only relative pronouns, but also relative adverbs should be annotated this way, since relative adverbs also have a function within their own clause. The same goes for interrogative adverbs. The following sentence illustrates ubi in both uses:

Relative adverbs



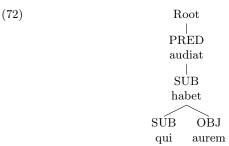
ubi est refectio mea ubi pascha cum discipulis meis manducem



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If there is no antecedent for the relative pronoun, the verb of the relative clause will itself bear a sentence-level function within the matrix clause:

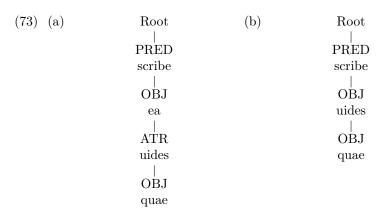
Relatives without antecedent



qui habet aurem, audiat

Although this implies that we take the relative clause to be a noun phrase, we avoid adding nominal modifiers to it, so quantifiers such as  $\pi \hat{a}s$  and *omnis* are taken as heads of the relative clauses, see also ??.

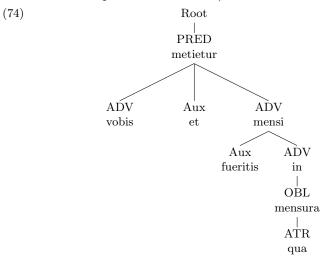
Notice that this style of annotation implies that the relation of the subordinate verb changes if the correlate is left out. Consider the following two sentences:



Leaving out the correlate changes the function of the relative clause, which is annotated on its verb, from an attribute which restricts the reference of *ea* to a direct object of *scribe*.

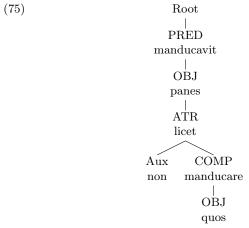
A variant of headless relative clauses are those which have an internal head. In this case the noun is given its function inside the relative clause (normally with the relative pronoun as an ATR):

Internally headed relative clauses



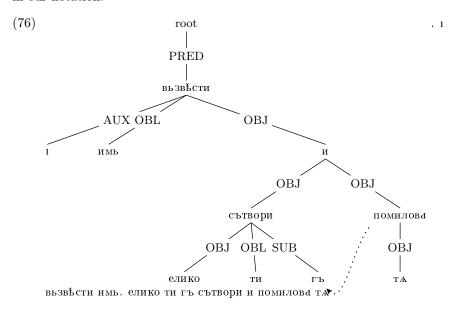
et in qua mensura mensi fueritis metietur vobis 'In what measure ye mete it shall be measured to you'

Sometimes the correct position of the relative pronoun can be deep inside the clause it introduces, e.g. in an embedded accusative with infinitve:



Sometimes a sentence where the relative pronoun does not have a role is coordinated with the real relative clause. We still coordinate such clauses, and use

shared argument slashes where we can. In the following example, the relative pronouns arguably does have a function in both sentences, but not the same function (it could be an ADV in the second clause), so we cannot express this in our notation:

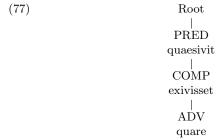


In correlative constructions the relative sentence is made a dependent on the correlative: if the relative sentences precedes it is in most cases an APOS (as this is a topicalizing construction, cf. 15.21. Else it is normally, but not always, restrictive.

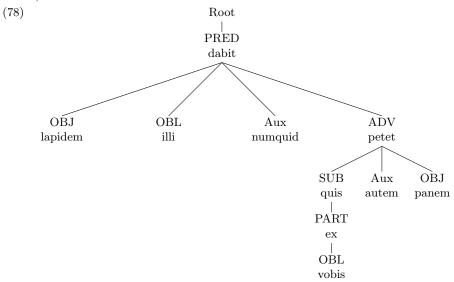
Finally, notice that infinitives sometimes can have a function similar to that of relative clauses, see section 15.24.

#### 10.5 Indirect questions

Indirect questions are like relative sentences in that there is no element which introduces the sentence. The interrogative pronoun/adverbial has a function inside the sentence and must be annotated accordingly. The verb of the indirect question is given the function of the whole subordniate sentence, which in the case of indirect questions is almost always COMP:



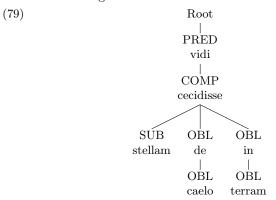
However, in rare cases a dependent question can have adverbial (e.g. conditional) force:



quis autem ex vobis patrem petet panem numquid lapidem dabit illi

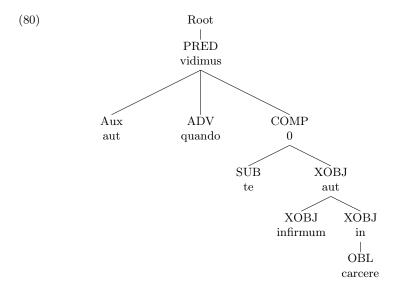
#### 10.6 Infinite predication: Accusative with infinitive (AcI)

Again we let the infinitive verb stand in for the whole construction. In the normal case this construction consists of a subject in the accusative, a predicate which is a verb in the infinitive and possibly further arguments and adjuncts. The infinitive is given the relation COMP:



vidi stellam de caelo in terram cecidisse

However, it can happen that the predicate infinitive is lacking. Most often the elided infinitive is esse or a similar verb, and we introduce an empty, verbal infinitive node:



quando te vidimus infirmum aut in carcere

Accusative with infinitive structures should be kept apart from pure infinitives which cannot take a subject, as with the complement infinitives of auxiliary verbs like *posse*, *velle*. For the annotation of the latter structures, consult section 10.9.

However, since the subject is not always present in an accusative with infinitive structure, it is sometimes hard to tell whether a given infinitive is part of an AcI with an unexpressed subject or is an open complement. In addition, some verbs allow both constructions. For example, both *uolo id facere* and *uolo me id facere* are possible constructions in Latin. In examples like *uolo id facere*, *facere* should be treated as an open complement (XOBJ) and not part of an AcI with a deleted subject. An elliptical AcI should be assumed only if the matrix verb does not allow an open complement construction.

There are structures where one could be in doubt whether an accusative noun is the object of the main verb or the subject of the subordinate verb. Consider f.ex. the causative construction with facere + accusative noun + infinitive, as in fecit omnes accumbere. omnes could be analysed as the subjet of accumbere or as the object of fecit. Both analyses would in principle be possible, but annotators should always use the AcI analysis with the accusative noun dependent on the infinitive:

AcI without subject

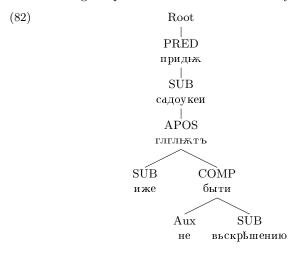
 $_{\rm OBJ+XOBJ}^{\rm COMP~vs}$ 

#### fecit omnes accumbere

This is a purely conventional choice and applies only to accusative nouns. In structures with a dative noun and an infinitive, f.ex, the noun is made dependent on the matrix verb, as in *licet mihi exire*, see section 15.8.

OCS sometimes has datives with infinitives that behave very much like AcI. The construction consists of a dative subject, a predicate which is a verb in the infinitive, and possibly other dependents, and the entire construction is a COMP to e.g. a speech verb. It should be analysed like AcIs:

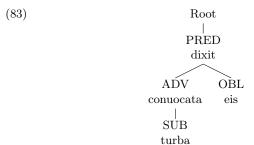
Dative with infinitive



придъж садоукеи иже глглъжтъ не быти вьскрѣшению (Mark 12:18)

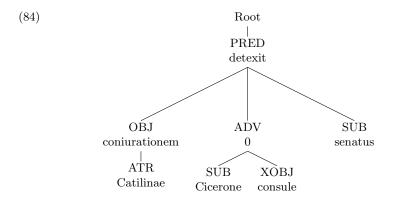
#### 10.7 Infinite predication: absolute constructions

Absolute constructions are embedded predications with an adverbial relation to the rest of the sentence. We consider the participial verb to be the head of the construction. It is therefore related to the matrix clause via the relation ADV:



convocata turba dixit eis

The predicate in an absolute construction need not be a verb: it can be a noun or an adjective. In such cases, we assume an empty verb:



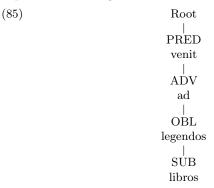
Cicerone consule senatus coniurationem Catilinae detexit

# 10.8 Infinite predication: dominant participles and gerundives

Latin has a special type of an embedded predication which looks like a normal noun phrase: sometimes noun + agreeing participle/gerundive corresponds to an English translation with a verbal noun translating the participle (or gerundive) + a dependent genitive. Thus ab urbe condita means 'from the founding of the city', and not 'from the founded city'; Caesar occisus can mean 'the murder of Caesar' (ie. 'that Caesar was murdered') and not 'the murdered Caesar'. In such cases, we consider the participle/gerundive to be the head of the construction and the noun is attached via the SUB-relation, whereas the participle/gerundive is annotated with the function of the whole predication.

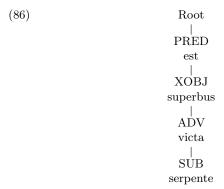
Probably the single most frequent case of such a construction, is the ad + gerundive + noun construction. In this locution, the noun is almost always dependent on the gerundive:

 $egin{array}{l} ad \, + \, {
m noun} \ + \, {
m gerundive} \end{array}$ 



venit ad libros legendos

But the ab urbe condita-construction is found in other contexts as well:



superbus victa serpente est '(Apollo) is proud that the serpent was defeated'

### 10.9 Open predications

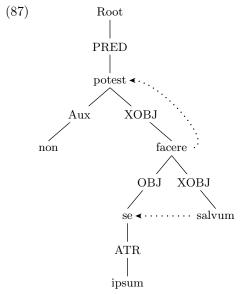
Open predications are predications that do not supply their own subject, but get a subject via coreference relations<sup>5</sup> within the sentence. Their subject is not necessarily a nominative. Finite verb forms never take part in open predication, only infinite forms. The infinite verb form heads the whole construction and is related to the matrix verb via the relation corresponding to the function of the embedded predication + a prefix X. We distinguish two kinds of open predications according to whether they are arguments which *complement* a verb or adverbials which *modify* a verb.

In some cases, infinite verb like infinitives and gerunds can depend on nouns. In these cases, they are never given the relations XOBJ or ADV, but are most often NARGs. Consult section 9.5, as well as 15.10 on gerunds and 15.11 on infinitives.

#### 10.9.1 XOBJ

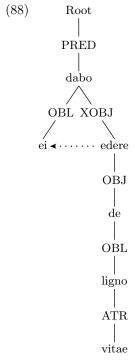
Infinitives can also be objects of verbs. This typically happens with auxiliary verbs like *uelle*, *posse* etc.:

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup>These relations are normally analysed in terms of raising and control



 $non\ potest\ se\ ipsum\ facere\ salvum$ 

But it is also found with some other verbs, such as dare:

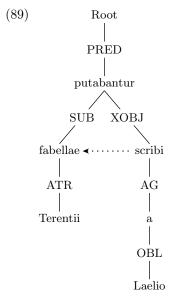


 $dabo\ ei\ edere\ de\ ligno\ vitae$ 

Such constructions are different from other embedded predications (AcI's etc.) in that no subject can be added. Instead the subject is supplied by coreference with an element which is either present in the matrix clause, such as ei in the last example, or implied by the argument structure of the matrix verb, as the implied subject of *potest*. This coreference should be marked by means of the slash notation, see section 14.

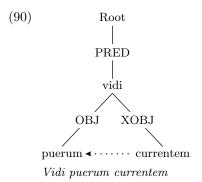
The so-called nominative with infinitive construction also involves an XOBJ:

Nominative with infinitive



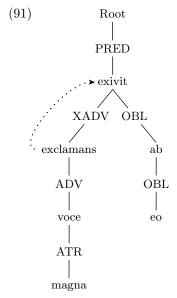
Terentii fabellae a Laelio scribi putabantur

XOBJs are not always infinitives; some verbs, like  $\lambda \dot{\eta} \gamma \omega$  govern a participle which is then related to it via XOBJ. The coreference between the subject of the participle and the subject of the matrix verb is again marked via the slash notation. Also, perception words which take an accusative with participle construction are analysed as taking the accusative as an object and the participle as an XOBJ:



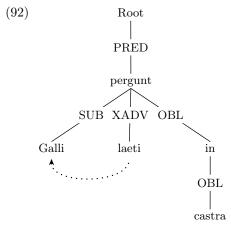
#### 10.9.2 XADV

Conjunct (or predicative) participles are adverbials which modify the matrix verb, to which they are attached via the relation XADV:



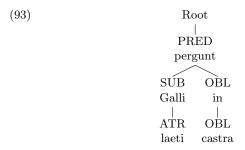
exclamans voce magna exivit ab eo

Like predicative participles, predicative adjectives are also given the tag XADV:



Galli laeti in castra pergunt

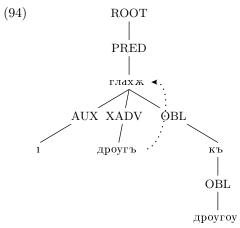
Participles and adjectives are given the tag ADV when they are predicative, ie. do not restrict the reference of a noun phrase but rather modify the main verb, ie. the above sentence means 'The Gauls proceeded happily into the camp.' whereas the meaning 'The happy Gauls proceeded into the camp.' would be represented as



Galli laeti in castra pergunt

OCS reciprocal pronouns have two components, and prepositions come between them. The first component is in the nominative, and should be analysed as an XADV, to capture its apposition-like relationship to the subject. The second component, on the other hand, will be an OBJ, OBL or ADV daughter of the verb.

OCS reciprocals



1 глахж дроугъ къ дроугоу

Morphologically, both components should be marked as reciprocal pronouns.

The infinitive of purpose is also an adverbial expression and should be assigned to the relation XADV :

Infinitives of purpose



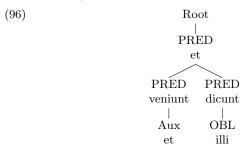
OCS supines are also analysed as XADV.

#### 10.10 Supertags

One supertag is relevant for embedded predications: REL, which is used whenever it is not possible to determine whether a relative clause is restrictive or not.

#### 11 Coordination

Notice first that we do not recognize monopartite coordination. Thus, in the numerous cases in the New Testament where a sentence is introduced by a conjuction (et and others), this should not be treated as coordination, but the et should be attached to the sentence predicate via the relation Aux. In many sentences there is one introductory conjunction, which should be an aux under the first verb, and then a coordination of two verbs:



Et veniunt et dicunt illi 'And he came and said to them'

We adopt a restrictive definition of conjunctions. Only items which can actually coordinate two words into a phrase. These are the words we recognize as conjunctions:

Gothic aibbau, ak, akei, alja, abban, jah, ni, nih

Greek ἀλλά, εἴτε, η, ητοι, καί, μηδέ, μήτε, οὐδέ, οὔτε, τέ,

Latin an, atque, aut, et, neque, neu, que, ve, vel, sed

OCS али, да, и, а, или, любо, ни, нъ

The slash arrow notation, which is used extensively in this section, is further explained and discussed in section 14, often with the same examples being used.

In analysing coordination, the first step is to ascertain what kind of elements are being conjoined: the conjuncts can be either constituents, multi-rooted elements, or sentences.

Constituent

Types of coordination

A constituent, in the sense of a dependency grammar, is a node together with all the nodes it dominates: for example, a noun with all its attributes and appositions is a constituent. In Cicero consul conjurationem Catilinae detexit (see

the tree on page 28), there are exactly five constituents: consul, Cicero consul, Catilinae, coniurationem Catilinae and Cicero consul coniurationem Catilinae detexit.<sup>6</sup> However, the latter constituent, which corresponds to a sentence, is treated differently from other sentences. By definition a constituent has a single root

A multi-rooted element is a set if nodes which are not connected, ie. does not have a common mother. Consider  $tradet\ frater\ fratrem\ in\ mortem\ (example\ 131\ =\ 107)$ :  $frater\ fratrem\ in\ mortem\ has\ a\ common\ mother\ node,\ the\ verb,\ but\ this\ is\ not\ present\ in\ the\ string,\ so\ this\ set\ of\ nodes\ is\ as\ such\ multi-rooted.$  And still, it can be coordinated with another element, as in  $tradet\ frater\ fratrem\ in\ mortem\ et\ pater\ filium.$ 

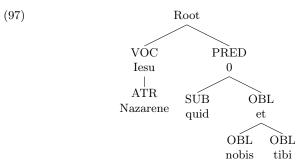
A sentence is a constituent dominated by a finite verb, or by an empty node which stands in for a verb, or by the infinitive in an Accusative with infinitive construction.

## Multi-rooted elements

Sentences

#### 11.1 Coordination of constituents/single rooted elements

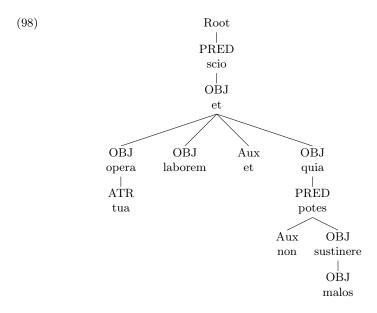
Coordination of constituents is the most straightforward case, especially when the constituents are single words. Consider the example 'quid nobis et tibi Iesu Nazarene?'. nobis and tibi are conjoined by et. They are both OBLique arguments of a (elliptical) esse, but so is the whole phrase nobis et tibi. We therefore want to have both nobis, tibi and nobis et tibi as constituents which bear the OBL relation and we achieve this by having the conjunction dominating both nobis and tibi via the relation these would have had to the main verb if there was no coordination. The conjunction then inherits this relation and is attached to its head via the same relation that it bears to its daughter(s):



Quid tibi et nobis, Iesu Nazarene?

If there are more than than two elements, all conjuncts are attached to the conjunction in the same way. Often there will also be more than one conjunction. In such cases, the first conjunction (not counting conjuntions which occur before the first conjunct!) should serve as a head of the coordinated phrase, and any further conjunctions should depend on the first one via the relation Aux

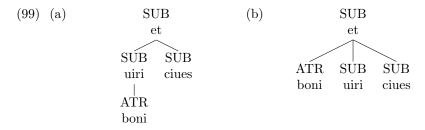
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup>In a phrase structure grammar, on the other hand, all words would be constituents, as would the VP (verb + object) *conjurationem Catilinae detexit*.



scio opera tua et quia non potes sustinere malos

If there is no conjunction present we insert an empty node which behaves as a conjunction.

We use essentially the same analysis whenever the conjuncts are single rooted but share a subtree. Consider the string boni viri et cives. There are two possible analyses: the intended meaning can be 'good men and citizens (which are not necessarily good)' (tree (a) below)- in that case we have constituent coordination, since viri and its attribute boni is a constituent which is related to the constituent cives. But the meaning can also be 'good men and good citizens' (tree (b) below), in which case boni modifies both viri and cives. We represent the difference in the following way:



In this way, the adjective has correct scope, see section 15.7.

Notice that there is an alternative way to express shared attributes like this, namely through slash notation. The practice of putting shared elements on conjunctions is used when the coordinated elements are not finite verbs; for finite verbs sharing elements, the slash notation *must* be used.

In analysis of single root conjuncts, it is important to ensure that both con-

Identity of function

joined elements have the same function, ie. should bear the same grammatical relation. SUBs can only be coordinated with SUBs, OBJs with OBJs etc. Only in this way is it possible to give the conjunction a correct function.

There are some exceptions to this, however. The XADV-relation, which can be coordinated with an ADV-element. In such cases the conjunction is given the relation XADV (and not ADV). This makes it possible to slash from the conjunction to the appropriate subject, and have the XADV inherit this slash.<sup>7</sup>

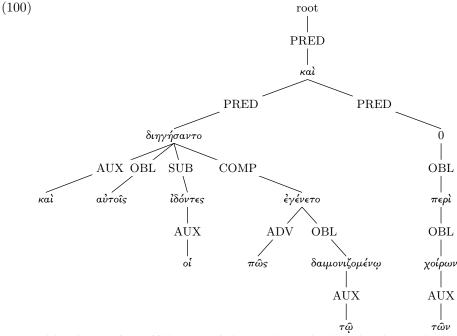
Also, is allowed, and the resulting coordinator node should get the OBJ function. In a very few cases we also recognize coordination of COMP and OBL, and the coordinator node is labelled OBL.

If the relations of the two conjuncts are not identical, another form of conjunction must be used. Of course, beside the conjuncts themselves, the coordination can have 'superfluous' conjunctions bearing the relation Aux, as well as items that are shared between the two conjuncts.

Sometimes the principle of identical relation leads to slightly forced analyses:

 $\begin{array}{c} Coordination \\ of \ ADV \ and \\ XADV \end{array}$ 

Coordination of COMP and OBJ



καὶ διηγήσαντο αὐτοῖς οἱ ἰδόντες πῶς ἐγένετο τῷ δαιμονιζομένῳ καὶ περὶ τῶν χοίρων

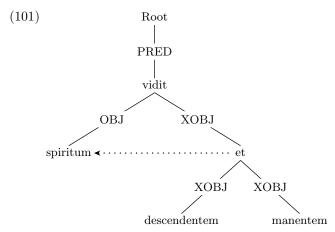
It would perhaps seem natural to take  $\pi\hat{\omega}_s$   $\epsilon\gamma'\epsilon\nu\epsilon\tau_0$   $\tau\hat{\omega}$   $\delta\alpha\mu\nu\nu\iota\zeta_0\mu'\epsilon\nu\omega$  and  $\pi\epsilon\rho$ i  $\tau\hat{\omega}\nu$   $\chi o'i\rho\omega\nu$  as coordinated arguments of the main verb, but since their relations differ we cannot do this, and have to do a gapping analysis instead.

The principles described in this section are only applicable to **constituent** coordination. Whenever the two elements which each have more than one root

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup>Note that the relation between OBJ and XOBJ is different, since verbs subcategorize differently for these functions whereas ADV and XADV are not subcategorized functions.

are coordinated, the construction must be treated as described in section 11.3. One case which is not infrequent is the coordination of two object + object predicative structures. Even though we might like to conceive of an object + an object predicative as a single constituent, they have no common root except the governing verb in our model. We must therefore treat such coordinations as sentence coordinations, see example 106.

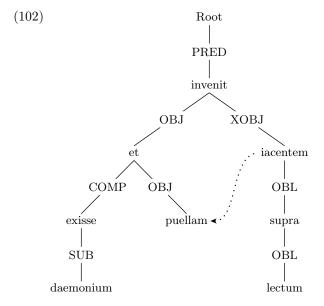
On the other hand, it is possible to coordinate two XOBJs:



vidit spiritum descendentem et manentem

In this case, there should be a slash from the conjunction *et* to *spiritum*, see section 14.

It is also possible to coordinate a nominal object with an accusative with infinitive, even if the object takes a predicative complement:



In this case there should be a slash from *iacentem* to *puellam*. The example illustrates how our analysis relates to the semantics of the sentence in such cases: the subject of *invenit* preceives both the girl (*puellam*) and some proposition about here (that she is lying down, *iacentem*). The subject also perceives a proposition about the demon (*daemonium exisse*), but he does not directly perceive the demon, and therefore *daemonium*, unlike *puellam*, is not a direct object of *invenit*. Notice that the analysis involves coordination of COMP and OBJ, see section (15.28).

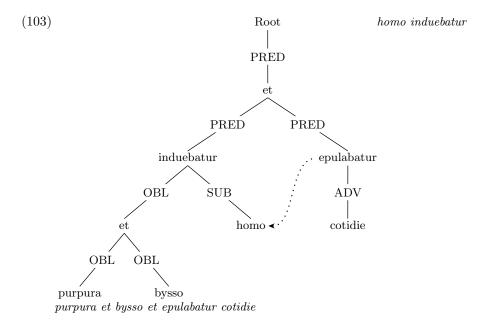
On the other hand, whenever there is a coordination of two groups of OBJ + XOBJ, we need to treat this as gapping because there is no common root for the OBJ + XOBJ group, see example (106).

#### 11.2 Sentence coordination

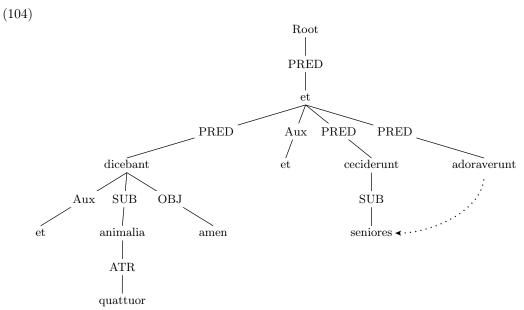
Although technically it would be possible to model VP coordination<sup>8</sup> in the same way as other coordinations of single rooted conjuncts which share a subtree, we do not pursue this option. Instead we follow the spirit of dependency grammar and assume that every finite verb, as well as infinitives in accusative with infinitives, forms a sentence. This also ensures consistency in the analysis, since - given the liberal use of pro-drop subjects in ancient IE languages - it is often not possible to determine whether we have sentence coordination or VP coordination.

Consider homo induebatur purpura et bysso et epulabatur cotidie. There is no way of knowing whether the two conjunts are induebatur purpura et bysso and epulabatur cotidie, with the subject belonging to both conjuncts, or rather homo induebatur purpura et bysso and epulabatur cotidie with a zero subject in the second conjunct. To avoid making such decisions, we treat all such cases as sentence coordination and mark shared arguments via the 'slash notation', see section 12. The representation is therefore:

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup>That is, the coordination fo two verbs with their arguments, but without the subject.



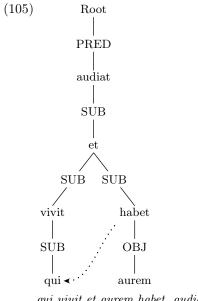
If there is more than one conjunction present, the first one which occurs between two conjuncts will dominate the coordinated elements, whereas subsequent conjunctions will be attached to the first one via the relation Aux. Any conjunction preceding the first conjunct will be an Aux on that first conjunct:



et quattuor animalia dicebant amen et seniores ceciderunt et adoraverunt

In subordinate clauses without a subjunction, the verbs do not bear the relation

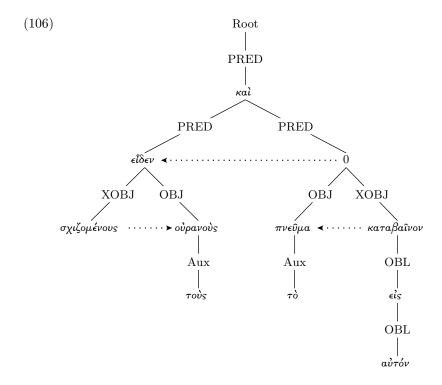
PRED but corresponding to the funtion of the subordinate clause. Conjunct verbs are analysed as sentence coordination here too:



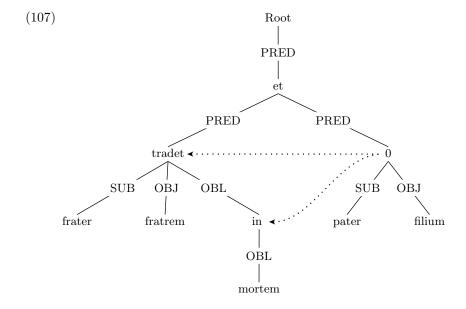
qui uiuit et aurem habet, audiat

#### 11.3 Conjunction of non-constituents/multi-rooted elements

The conjuncts do not always have a single root. Consider a sentence like 'John drank coffee and Peter beer.' The second conjunct here is 'Peter beer' which is not a constituent and does not have one root but two unconnected roots, 'Peter' bearing a SUB relation and 'beer' an OBJ relation. We must first create a common root for them. This will be an empty node functioning as a conjunction. The empty node and the sentence are then conjoined in a way similar to sentence coordination. Both are given the relation PRED, but the second conjunct lacks the verb and is therefore marked with a slash arrow towards the overt verb, ie. it is a kind of predication which shares the central element, the predicate, with the first conjunct):



είδεν σχιζομένους τοὺς οὐρανοὺς καὶ τὸ πνεῦμα καταβαῖνον εἰς αὐτόν



### 11.4 In which conjunct does an element belong?

It is sometimes not clear how the conjoined domains should be delimited and in which conjunct an element belongs. If the element is shared between the two conjuncts, the question is which dependency should be marked directly in the tree, and which one by a slash arrow. This does not affect the semantic interpretation of the sentence in any way, since the element is shared. For such questions, consult section 14.3.5.

It can happen that it is clear that an element belongs to only one conjunct, but it is unclear which one that is. In such cases, the choice will determine the interpretation. If in doubt, the annotator should consult standard translations. The principles in section 14.3.5 do not apply to such cases.

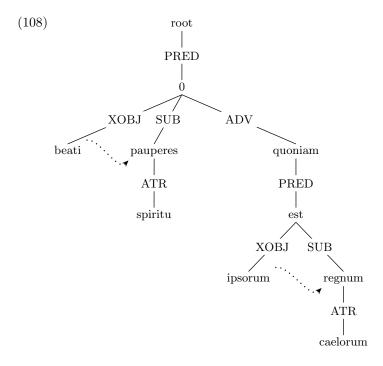
#### 11.5 Other issues

Finally, it is important to distinguish the *conjunction et* 'and' from the *particle et* 'also'. This latter should be attached to the word it emphasises via the relation Aux. The same also holds for some other particles, as *neque* which can sometimes mean 'not even', in which case we do not split it into its constituent parts ne + que.

## 12 Gapping and ellipsis

#### 12.1 Elided copulas

Since we take the verb to be the head of the entire sentence in our model, we always need a verb in the analysis. However, copular verbs are often elided. In such cases we insert an empty copula:



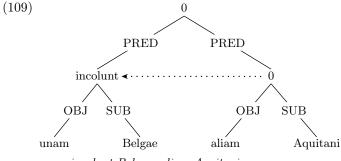
be ati pauperes spiritu quoniam ipsorum est regnum caelorum Blessed are the poor in spirit for theirs is the kingdom of heaven

Note that we have to assume an empty copula even in some cases where it is never overtly realised, as absolute ablatives with a predicative noun, see section 10.7

When the absent verb is not a copula, we will have to analyse this as gapping (see next section), ie. the structure should be attached to the sentence with which it shares a verb.

## 12.2 Gapping

Note that we do not mark ellipsis of nominal arguments as such, ie. we do not mark absent subjects in sentences like *currit* 'he runs'; nor do we mark absent objects in sentences like *interfecit* 'he killed him'. The only kind of ellipsis that we *do* mark is so-called gapping, ie. cases where shared material in a coordinated structure is left out in one or more of the conjuncts. Such conjuncts are treated as sentences, ie. we insert an empty verb which is given the relation PRED, and the shared elements are stored in a list, as explained in section 11.3. One further example will suffice:



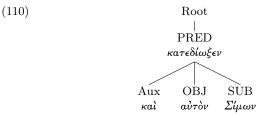
unam incolunt Belgae, aliam Aquitani

Notice that for the purposes of this rule, we treat XADVs as coordinated with the main verbs, ie. it is allowed to use a slash arrow from a main verb towards an argument of an XADV participle, see example 130.

## 13 The article

#### 13.1 Noun phrases

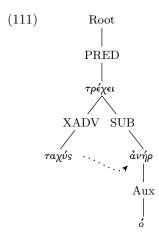
When a Greek noun phrase does not contain any articles, it is treated like NPs in other languages:



καὶ κατεδίωξεν αὐτὸν Σίμων

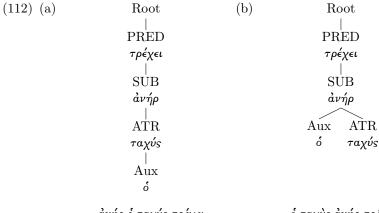
Possible configurations

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup>D for the determiner/article, N for noun, A for adjective



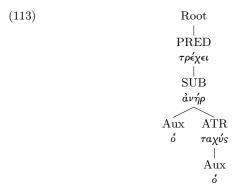
= ταχύς ὁ ἀνήρ τρέχει οτ ὁ ἀνήρ ταχύς τρέχει

In other cases, where the adjective is attributive, we always attach the article to an item on the right: the noun, if this occurs to the right of the article (but not necessarily directly to the right); otherwise to the adjective. This means that the dependency structure distinguishes between  $\delta \tau \alpha \chi \dot{\nu}_S \dot{\alpha} \nu \dot{\eta} \rho$  and  $\dot{\alpha} \nu \dot{\eta} \rho \dot{\delta} \tau \alpha \chi \dot{\nu}_S$ :

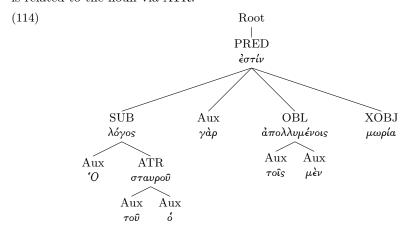


ἀνήρ ὁ ταχύς τρέχει ό ταχὺς ἀνήρ τρέχει

In the final case, there is an article preceding both the noun and the adjective and we attach each one to the element to their right.  $\delta \, \dot{\alpha} \nu \dot{\eta} \rho \, \delta \, \tau \alpha \chi \dot{\nu} s \, \tau \rho \dot{\epsilon} \chi \epsilon \iota$  ends up as:



However, the modifier in an NP need not be an adjective; it can be a genitive NP, an adverb etc. We attach the article to that element of the modifier which is related to the noun via ATR:



O λόγος γὰρ ὁ τοῦ σταυροῦ τοῖς μὲν ἀπολλυμένοις μωρία ἐστί For the preaching of the cross is foolishness to them that perish.

Notice that in the structure of  $\delta \tau o \hat{v} \sigma \tau a \nu \rho o \hat{v}$ , both  $\delta$  and  $\tau o \hat{v}$  are Aux-daughters of  $\sigma \tau a \nu \rho o \hat{v}$ .

#### 13.2 The 'article' on its own

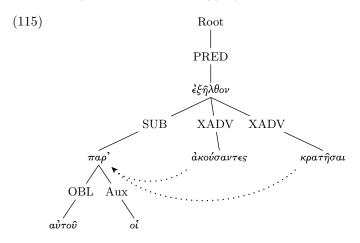
Whenever the article appears on its own, without belonging to a noun or to some other element, as in the  $\delta \mu \ell \nu \dots \delta \delta \ell$  construction, it is not an article at all, but should be marked as a pronoun in the morphological analysis and be analysed as a subject.

#### 13.3 Articles without nouns

If an article appears with only an adjective or only a participle, it nominalizes this adjective/participle (for syntactic purposes, not the morphology!). This

means the adjective/participle will have a normal sentence-level function like SUB, OBJ or similar.

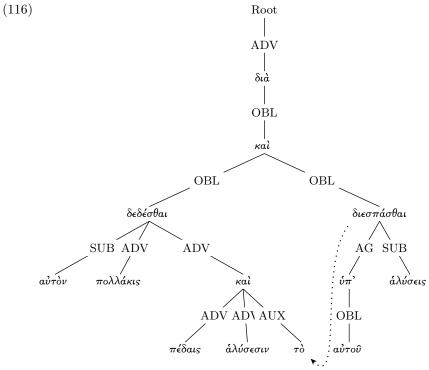
We use the same analysis even when the article appears with non-nominal categories like adverbs or preposition phrases. The adverb/preposition will be the head of the construction and given the appropriate relation, and the article will be a dependent of the adverb/preposition via Aux:



καὶ ἀκούσαντες οἱ παρ' αὐτοῦ ἐξῆλθον κρατῆσαι αὐτόν

#### 13.4 Articular infinitives in Greek

In articular infinitive structures, the article should always depend on the infinitive via Aux, even if it is separated from its infinitive by other elements. Here is a rather complicated subtree showing the analysis of a preposition + to coordinated articular infinitives:

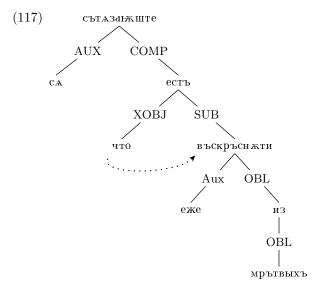


διὰ τὸ αὐτὸν πολλάκις πέδαις καὶ ἁλύσεσιν δεδέσθαι καὶ διεσπάσθαι ὑπ' αὐτοῦ τὰς ἑλύσεις

Notice that since articular infinitives are explicitly nominalized by an article, they can have all kinds of functions, also SUBject, OBJect and OBLique, whereas non-articular infinitives will normally be COMP in such situations. This also holds for the Slavic 'mock article' exe, see section (13.5).

### 13.5 slavicmockarticle

Sometimes the Slavic translators seems to have used the relative pronoun иже to render the Greek article. In particular this happens with infinitives. Although we take иже as a demonstrative pronoun, we make it an *aux* on the infinitive and let it nominalize the infinitive:



This usage is also found with quotations, see 39165. However, there are also possible cases of the mock article nominalizing prepositions, although we currently analyse them as relative clauses with null copula. The only non-infinitive case we accept now is 40334.

#### 14 Slash notation

#### 14.1 Introduction

Slashes are used in our system to represent coreference relations within one dependency tree (which can of course contain several coordinated main clauses). Informally, the general principle is that a whenever an item 'needs' to have a dependent, but this dependent is already 'used' (ie. is a dependent of something else).

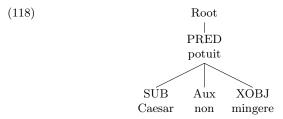
In other words, the meaning of a slash is *not* that the slasher node<sup>10</sup> is referentially identical to the slashee node. 11 Rather, the slash arrows should be conceived of as supplementary dependency relations: the slashee node is a dependent of the slasher. There is one exception to this principle, namely when the slasher is an empty node which bears the PRED-relation, see section 14.3.4.

To understand this general principle, consider the sentence Caesar non potuit mingere. The dependency tree is

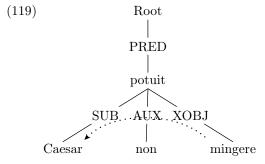
Interpretation

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>10</sup>Ie. the node where the slash is inserted; the origin of the slash arrow in the visual representation of the dependency tree.

11 Ie. the goal of the slash arrow in the visual representation of the dependency tree.



Caesar is correctly designated as the subject of *posse*. However, Caesar is also the subject of *mingere* and to represent this fact, we put a slash arrow from *mingere* to *Caesar*:



 $Caesar\ non\ potuit\ mingere$ 

The interpretation of this notation is that the subject of *mingere* is coreferent with the subject of *posse*, which is *Caesar*.

We can distinguish two groups of uses of the slash notation, one associated with the 'open' functions XADV and XOBJ, and one associated with gapping and elliptical coordination.

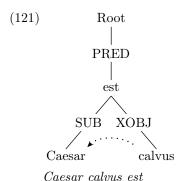
## 14.2 Open functions: XADV and XOBJ

The open functions XADV and XOBJ were introduced in section 10.9. By definition, they do not supply their own subject, but get a subject via coreference relations within the sentence. From the perspective of traditional grammar, it is perhaps not clear that nominal predicatives behave in the same manner, but consider the example *Caesar calvus est*. *Caesar* is the subject of *est*, and *calvus* is the predicative complement of *est*:

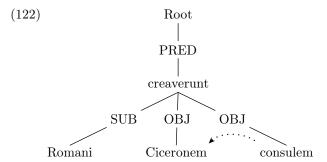


Caesar calvus est

However, we want to capture the fact that not only is *calvus* an argument of *est*, in the sense that *est* requires the presence of a predicative complement, *calvus* is also a predication about *Caesar*. In other words, *Caesar* is the subject of *calvus* and this is represented by a slash arrow from *calvus* to *Caesar*:

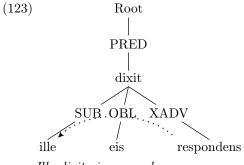


The same holds for a traditional 'object predicative', as in *Romani Ciceronem* consulem creaverunt: creare requires three arguments, a subject, an object and a predicative. So, consulem is a XOBJ-dependent of creaverunt, and Ciceronem is a OBJ-dependent of creaverunt, but at the same time, Ciceronem is the subject of consulem and we capture this fact by a slash arrow from consulem to Ciceronem:



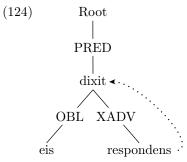
Romani Ciceronem consulem creaverunt

With the relation XADV, the facts are the same. Consider *ille respondens dixit* eis: dixit is the main verb, ille its subject and eis its oblique argument. respondens is an adverbial which modifies the main verb, contributing the extra information that the 'saying' was 'responding'. So respondens is an XADV-daughter of dixit, but we also want to express that ille is the subject of respondens:



Ille dixit eis respondens

Now what if there was no overt subject in the sentence, ie. if the subject of dixit was pro-dropped and the sentence read respondens dixit eis? In this case, the subject is supplied by the finite verb itself, and the slash arrow is therefore directed towards the verb:



Dixit eis respondens

This means that every node which is the daughter in an XOBJ or XADV relation should have a slash! The interpretation of the slash arrow is always uniform, since it is always a *subject* dependent that these nodes lack. In other words, the slashee is aways the subject of the slasher. Therefore there should never be more than one outgoing slash from the daughter in an XOBJ or XADV relation, since this will create an ambiguity. In other words, it is not possible to mark that such an element shares an argument with another element of the sentence.

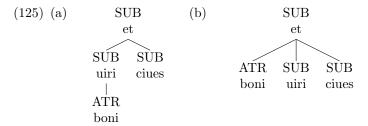
Notice finally, that the slash arrow from an XOBJ or XADV node should always be local, ie. directed towards either the head verb or an element dominated by the head verb. This restriction is enforced by the annotation interface. However, the annotation interface does allow slashing into a dependent clause under the head verb. This should only be done when the argument in question is a shared argument of the main verb. Consider tollens ergo membra Christi faciam membra meretricis. By section 14.3.5, membra Christi is made an object of tollens. However it is also shared as an object by faciam. Therefore it is

Number of outgoing slashes on XOBJs/XADVs licit to slash from the object predicative membra meretricis to membra Christi. However, in other cases, where the argument of the dependent clause is not directly shared by the main clause, we should not slash to it.

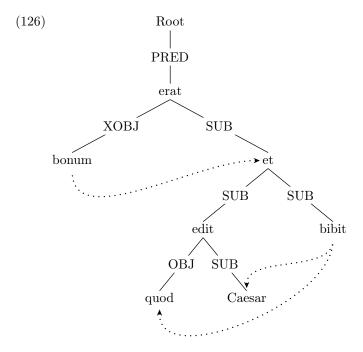
### 14.3 Slashes in gapping and coordination

#### 14.3.1 Motivation

Slashes in coordinate sentences denote much of the same scoping information that is expressed in other ways in constituent coordination. In section 11.1 we represented adjectives scoping over two coordinated nouns as in (b) below:



Theoretically, it would be possible to represent Caesar edit et bibit by coordinating the two verbs under the conjunction and then attach Caesar as a SUB-daughter of the conjunction. But consider quod Caesar edit et bibit bonum erat. et would be a subject daughter of erat, and would dominate one object daughter, quod, and three subject daughters, namely edit, bibit - and Caesar. Although this ambiguity could be resolved through the morphological annotation, we prefer to avoid it entirely and represent the sentence as:



quod Caesar edit et bibit bonum erat

#### 14.3.2 Slashes in sentence coordination

Whenever two coordinated sentences, or an XADV and its main verb, share an element, be it a SUB, OBJ, XOBJ, OBL, AG or ADV, and this element is overtly represented only once, the element should be attached to the verb to which it belongs in the surface string, and a slash arrow should be set from the other verb to the shared element.

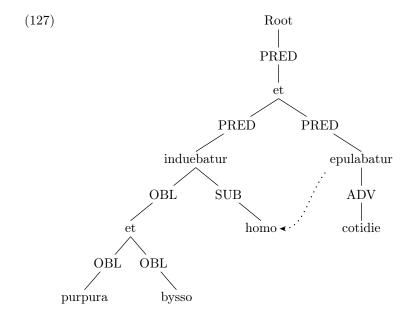
Notice in particular that for the purposes of slashing, XADVs are considered to be on par with their governing verbs. It is allowed to slash from a main verb to an argument of an XADV, but not to an argument of some dependent clause (XOBJ, accusative with infinitive or subordinate clause). But the opposite, a slash arrow from an XADV to an argument of the verb can only indicate the subject of the XADV, therefore XADVs can only have one outgoing slash arrow.

This kind of slashes should leave a verbal node and point towards the shared element. One should never use slashes between two verbs to indicate subject identity.

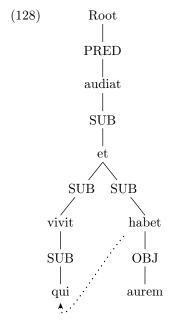
Consider again the first example from section 11.2:

Shared arguments

Treatment of XADVs



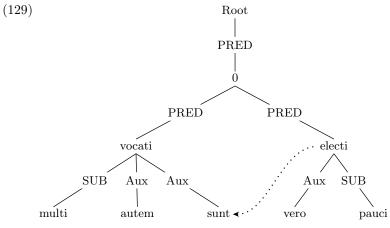
Homo indebatur purpura et bysso et epulabatur cotidie Now consider the example qui uiuit et aurem habet, audiat:



qui vivit et aurem habet, audiat

The shared element can also be an auxiliary verb:

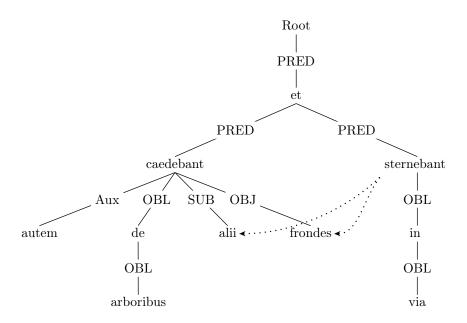
Shared auxiliaries



multi autem sunt vocati, pauci vero electi

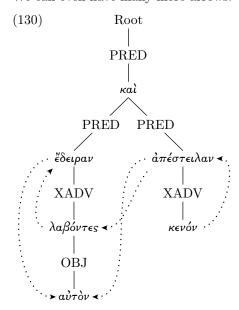
When the slash notation is used in sentence coordination, it is important to assure that the grammatical relation between the slasher node and the slashee is identical to the relation of the slashee to its mother. In other words, if the slashee is a subject in its own clause, it should also be the subject of the slasher. If the unexpressed object of a coordinated verb is identical to the overt subject of another verb, we cannot express this coreference relation. This is so because, unlike the case of slash notation on open predications, where all slashees are subjects, there is no default relation type with which to interpret the slash relation. Instead, the slash relation 'inherits' the function of the slashee node. As long as this restriction is respected, there can be several slashes in a tree:

Interpretation of slashes in coordination



alii autem frondes de arboribus et sternebant in via

We can even have many more arrows:



καὶ λαβόντες αὐτὸν ἔδειραν καὶ ἀπέστειλαν κενόν

Here,  $\alpha \dot{\nu} \tau \dot{\delta} \nu$  is taken to be the overt object of  $\lambda \alpha \beta \dot{\delta} \nu \tau \epsilon_S$  (for the general principle, see section 14.3.5). The arrows from  $\ddot{\epsilon} \delta \epsilon \iota \rho \alpha \nu$  and  $\dot{\alpha} \pi \dot{\epsilon} \sigma \tau \epsilon \iota \lambda \alpha \nu$  indicate that these

verbs also have  $\alpha \dot{\nu} \tau \delta \nu$  as their object. The arrows from  $\lambda \alpha \beta \delta \nu \tau \epsilon_S$  and  $\kappa \epsilon \nu \delta \nu$  to their respective dominating verbs  $\epsilon \delta \epsilon \nu \rho \nu$  and  $\epsilon \nu \rho \nu$  indicate that the subjects of these XADVs is an unexpressed element which is 'supplied by the verb'. In the case of  $\lambda \alpha \beta \delta \nu \tau \epsilon_S$ , the subject of the participle is the unexpressed subject of the main verb; and in the case of  $\kappa \epsilon \nu \delta \nu$ , the subject of the adjective is the object of the main verb. This object is expressed, but via a slash arrow: it is therefore not possible to slash directly from  $\kappa \epsilon \nu \delta \nu$  to its subject.

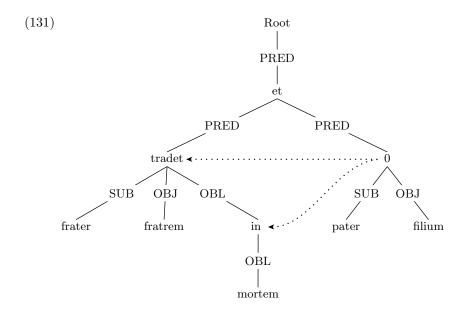
#### 14.3.3 When is an adverbial shared?

While it is generally easy to decide when two coordinated verbs share their subject or another argument (object, oblique), it can be more difficult to decide whether an adverbial actually has scope over both conjuncts. Some are easy: for example, an adverbial conditional clause is shared between two main clauses if they both belong to the apodosis (if X, then Y and Z). Generally, time and space adverbials are the most tricky ones: note in particular that time adverbials should only be shared by two main clauses, if their events are cotemporal and not consecutive.

#### 14.3.4 Slashes in gapping/multi-rooted conjuncts

Slashes in multi-rooted conjuncts behave exactly like slashes in sentence coordination, except that there is also a slash arrow from the empty node representing the verb, to the overt verb.<sup>12</sup> Consider tradet frater fratrem in mortem et pater filium:

 $<sup>^{12}</sup>$ This slash arrow therefore has a different interpretation, meaning that the slasher node has the same meaning as the slashee node.



tradet frater fratrem in mortem et pater filium

As here, it is often the case that other elements than the predicate are shared between the conjuncts. The slash arrow from the empty node to *tradet* indicates predicate identity whereas the arrow from the empty node to *in* indicates a shared argument. As such it underlies the same restriction as other slashes in sentence coordination: the slashee must have the same grammatical function in both conjuncts.

#### 14.3.5 In which conjunct does a shared element belong?

Our treatment of shared arguments raises the question where a shared argument belongs in the tree. Sometimes an element can belong in several places. Why do we put in mortem in the first conjunct in example 131? Or, in a more difficult case, why does  $\alpha \partial \tau \partial \nu$  belong to  $\lambda \alpha \beta \delta \nu \tau \epsilon_S$  in example 130? The following section provides some guidelines for making such decisions.

For argument sharing between coordinated elements we need to establish the domains of both conjuncts. If there is an overt conjunction, this will indicate the boundary between the two domains. Elements should therefore be made to depend on the verb in their domain. In tradet frater fratrem in mortem et pater filium we have the domains tradet frater fratrem in morten and pater filium, so in mortem clearly depends on tradet and not on the empty node. If there is no overt conjunction, we appeal to the principle of domain continuity: both domains should, if possible, be continuous. If there are several possibilities, ambiguous elements should belong to the first conjunct. For example, if there was no et in example 131, both tradet frater fratrem in mortem // pater filium

Delimitation of conjunct domains

and tradet frater fratrem // in mortem pater filium would yield continuous domains, so we choose the first option, which attaches in mortem to the first conjunct.

In practice, then, the principles mean that the first element which belongs only to the second conjunct marks the start of the second conjunct domain.

When there is argument sharing between a clause and an XADV, the principles remain the same, but the application is slightly different. The subtree dominated by the subordinate verb or the subjunction should correspond to a continuous string in the sentence. In example 130, this means that  $\alpha \dot{\nu} \tau \dot{\rho} \nu$  can be attached to  $\lambda \alpha \beta \acute{\rho} \nu \tau \epsilon_S$ ; if  $\alpha \dot{\nu} \tau \dot{\rho} \nu$  appeared to the right of  $\epsilon \delta \epsilon \iota \rho \alpha \nu$ , such an attachment would not be possible. When several attachments are possible, we again choose to attach elements as early as possible in the surface string: this means that we prefer to attach  $\alpha \dot{\nu} \tau \dot{\rho} \nu$  to  $\lambda \alpha \beta \acute{\rho} \nu \tau \epsilon_S$ . However, if the subject of  $\epsilon \delta \epsilon \iota \rho \alpha \nu$  intervened between  $\epsilon \delta \alpha \beta \acute{\rho} \nu \tau \epsilon_S$  and  $\epsilon \delta \nu \tau \epsilon_S$  and a  $\epsilon \delta \nu \tau \epsilon_S$  and a attachment would not be possible, since  $\epsilon \delta \alpha \beta \acute{\rho} \nu \tau \epsilon_S \alpha \dot{\nu} \tau \dot{\rho} \nu$  would no longer be a continuous domain.

Notice, finally, that the principles described in this section are only applicable whenever the sentence is ambiguous. Very often, case morphology will make it entirely clear where an element belongs, and in such cases, the morphology should not be overridden by considerations of domain continuity etc.

### 15 Other constructions

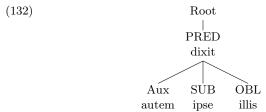
#### 15.1 'all', 'self' and similar words

Words like 'all', 'self' and a few others are special: they are not really pronouns with anaphoric reference, but they behave very similarly when they determine non-overt ('pro-dropped') subjects as in:

At illi ut viderunt eum ambulantem super mare putaverunt fantasma esse et exclamaverunt. Omnes enim eum viderunt et conturbati sunt.

But as *they* saw him walk on the see, they thought it was a spirit and cried out. For *they all* saw him and were terrified

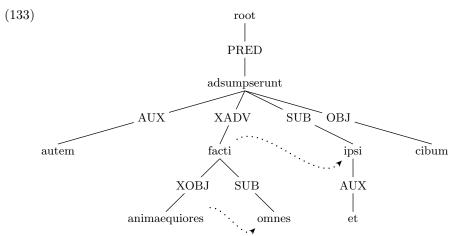
omnes does not refer to the same referent as *illi*, but rather quantifies over this referent. However, this is difficult to represent in a syntax without empty nominal elements. Instead we have opted to take *omnes* as the subject in such cases. The same holds for *ipse* 'self' in cases like the following:



ipse autem dixit illis 'He himself told them'

With *ipse* there is the added complication, however, that *ipse* (just like Greek  $a\dot{v}\tau\dot{o}s$  which it translates) sometimes means 'self' and sometimes is used as a pure anaphoric pronoun 'he'. This difference in meaning (which is necessarily subjective) is rendered in the morphology: when the meaning is 'self' we make it a demonstrative pronoun, and when it is 'he' we make it a personal pronoun.

In effect, this means that we take intensifiers and quantifiers as subjects when they really are not. This leads to some complications whenever the intensifier/quantifier appears in an open predication, i.e. a structure which should not have a subject:



When interpreting such structures, it should be born in mind that 'self' and 'all' are not normal subjects.

#### 15.2 Headedness of compound verb forms

In constructions like copula + some infinite form (amatus est,  $\tilde{\eta}\nu$  διδάσκων) or modal auxiliary + some infinite form, two analyses are in principle possible: a biclausal one where the finite copula/auxiliary is the head and the lexical verb is an XOBJ dependent; or a monoclausal analysis where the infinite lexical verb is the head, and the copula/auxiliary verb is an Aux-dependent.

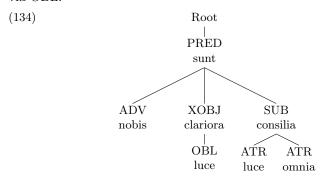
The two analyses correspond to different degrees of grammaticalization of the constructions. We have decided to treat the following cases as monoclausal ones (ie. the finite verb is an aux and not the head):

- Latin passives, future infinitives and the periphrastic conjugation
- Slavic periphrastic perfects (l-participles)
- The Greek periphrastic passive perfect

In all other cases, we take the finite verb to be the main PRED. In such cases, temporal and local adverbials should be dependents on the finite verbs, whereas arguments and event modifiers like instrumentals should depend on lexical verb.

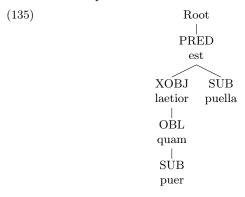
## 15.3 Comparison

Ablatives of comparison in Latin, and the similar genitives of comparison in Greek and Old Church Slavonic, are dependent on the comparative adjective via OBL:



luce sunt clariora nobis tua consilia omnia 'Your plans are clearer than light for us'

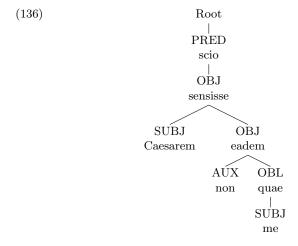
When *quam* is used it should depend on the comparative adjective via OBL, and the second member should depend on *quam* via the same relation as the other item compared:



puella est laetior quam puer

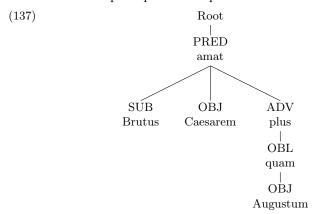
OCS неже behaves in the same way, and should have the same analysis.

Other expressions of comparison are analysed in the same way: *nihil aliud nisi*, *idem qui*, *similis ac* etc. Here is an example:

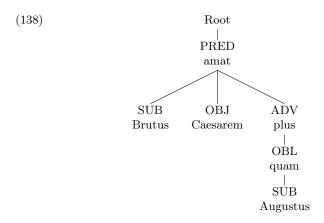


 $Caesarem\ non\ eadem\ quae\ me\ sensisse\ scio$ 

We use the same principle for comparative adverbs.



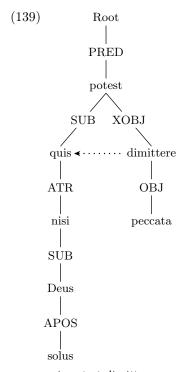
Brutus amat Caesarem plus quam Augustum



## $Brutus\ amat\ Caesarem\ plus\ quam\ Augustus$

This approach is tantamount to treating quam (as well as nisi in nihil aliud nisi, qui in idem qui, ac in similis ac) as introducing a sentence.

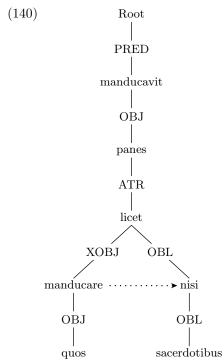
Here is another example where nisi modifies an interrogative pronoun:



 $quis\ potest\ dimittere\ peccata\ nisi\ solus\ Deus$ 

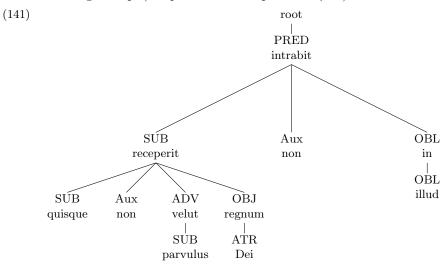
'Who but God alone can forgive sins'

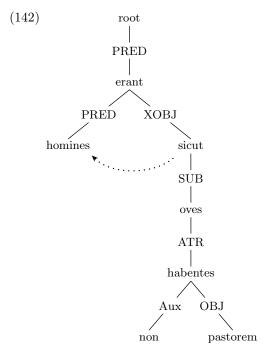
If there is no 'antecedent' to nisi, it will bear a sentence-level function:



 $manducavit\ panes\ quos\ non\ licet\ manducare\ nisi\ sacerdotibus$ 

Words that mean 'as' (such as Greek  $\omega_s$ , OCS $\delta$ ko, Latin *velut* and Gothic *swa*) are treated in the same way. On the sentence level they are often adverbs (as in the following example) or predicative complements (142):





Homines erant sicut oves non habentes pastorem 'People are like sheep without a shepherd'

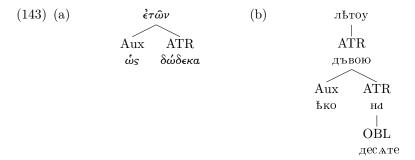
Note that the adverbs of comparison are often used to introduce object predicatives as well. Here the comparison analysis does not work, since the implicit verb of the predicative is the copula, not the main verb. E.g. fac me sicut unum de mercennariis tuis does not mean 'Make me as (you make) one of your hirelings', but rather 'Make me be one of your hirelings'.

#### 15.4 Verbs of preference

Latin in particular has some 'comparative' verbs, like *malo* 'prefer something to something', or *expedit* 'it is better that something than that something'. The first sentence in the comparison is assigned the COMP or XOBJ relation, depending on whether it has an internal subject or not. The second element is typically introduced by (the adverb) *quam*, which becomes an OBL under *malo*, *expedit*, and invariably introduces a COMP, even if the first comparandum is an XOBJ, see 53182.

## 15.5 'Approximately'

The idea 'approximately' is often expressed by words like  $\omega_s$  and  $\delta \kappa \omega_s$ , which are then taken as aux'es. In Slavic this is always an aux on the numeral, if there is one, whereas in the other languages we try to put it on the head of the phrase being modified:



The situation in Gothic and Latin is unresolved.

### 15.6 Coordination through particles in Greek

We adopt a very restrictive view of conjunctions: basically only words that can conjoin two words into a phrase, or two sentences into one, count as conjunctions. Particles like  $\mu \grave{\epsilon} \nu \ldots \delta \grave{\epsilon} \ldots$  are not treated as conjunctions: instead we treat this as asyndetic coordination, using an empty conjunction and leaving  $\mu \grave{\epsilon} \nu$  and  $\delta \grave{\epsilon}$  as Aux-dependents on their respective conjuncts.

In a sequence  $\tau \epsilon \dots \kappa \alpha i$  we treat  $\kappa \alpha i$  as the head and  $\tau \epsilon$  as an auxiliary particle.

### 15.7 Scope

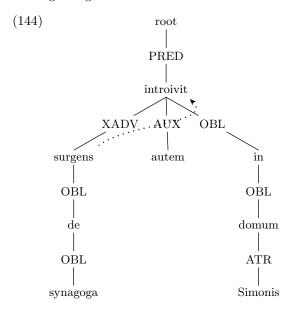
Scope is relevant to many constructions. An adjective can modify one or more nouns, and is then said to have scope over these nouns. A genitive can be dependent upon (and thereby for example modify) one or more nouns. The negation can negate one particular element in a sentence, or several, or the whole sentence - these elements are said to be in the scope of the negation. Emphasizing particles can take scope of one or more words.

We represent scope via the attachment site of scoping items. Scoping items should be placed so as to be dependent on the item in their scope. By default, they also take scope over all elements dominated by their mother node; so a negation dependent on the verb negates the whole sentence. This means that if we want an item to take scope over two coordinated elements, it should be made to depend on the conjunction. However, since the status of the Greek definite article regarding whether it can take scope over two coordinated proper nouns is completely unclear, we currently make it a dependent of the following noun only - in other words, the article is never attached to a conjunction.

If e.g. a negation has scope over only one of two coordinated elements, it must be attached to that element. Note that this holds even in cases of double negation, i.e. a negation may be an AUX on a negative pronoun. In OCS, consequently, a pronoun may end up having both a negative particle and a negation as AUXes, such as in 36606, where the negation has scope over only one of two coordinated OBJs.

Notice that we do take  $ni \ manna$  as grammaticalized in the meaning 'noone', which means that ni is taken a dependent on manna.

It is often difficult to determine the correct scope of time and space adverbials, especially when they co-occur with participles or subordinate clauses at the beginning of the sentence.



surgens autem de synagoga introivit in domum Simonis
'And having risen out of the synagogue, he entered into the house of
Simon'

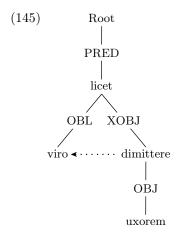
autem is here made dependent on the main verb, but de synagoga on surgens: Our guiding principles is to mark such adverbials as ADVs on the main PRED unless their scope is clearly only over a participle (XADV) or a subordinate clause. In this way, the default solution is to give time and space adverbials maximal scope within the sentence.

Note however that scope over coordinated verbs/sentences is treated in a fundamentally different way. An item which is the subject of two coordinated verbs can *not* be made dependent on the conjunction. Instead, it should depend on the verb in the sentence where it appears (see section 14.3.5 for delimitation of the domains) and have an incoming slash arrow from the verb in the second conjunct.

### 15.8 Impersonal verbs

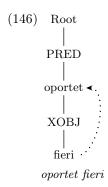
Impersonal verbs are defined by their inability to take a subject. Therefore, verbs like *licet*,  $pudet \ \xi \xi \epsilon \sigma \tau \iota \nu$  etc. should never take a subject dependent. Infinitives with such verbs should be considered COMPs or XOBJs, depending on

whether an accusative subject would be possible or not. For example licet takes a dative and an infinitive. This becomes:

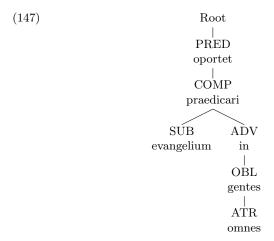


 $licet\ viro\ dimittere\ uxorem$ 

This means that whenever no dative is present, there should be a slash to the main verb:



On the other hand, such verbs can often also be constructed with an Accusative with infinitive, and in such cases, they must be COMPs:

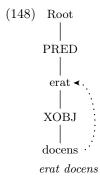


in omnes gentes oportet praedicari evangelium

Verbs which are sometimes constructed with an AcI and sometimes with a pure infinitive are ambiguous whenever there is no subject accusative to the infinitive and no argument of the main verb which can supply a subject to the infinitive. In such cases, annotators should choose the XOBJ relation, as in example 146. But first it must be made sure that the verb in question can take a pure infinitive.

### 15.9 esse + participle

In the New Testament, we fairly often find a construction where the copula combines with a participle to form something which could almost be described as a periphrastic form. However, despite the regularity of the construction, we have chosen to treat it as if the copula had its full force:

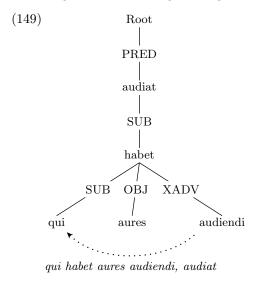


We use the same analysis for this construction in the other languages.

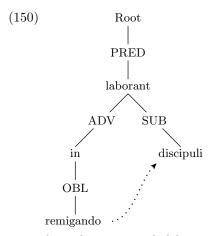
#### 15.10 Gerunds

Gerunds on verbal nouns which cannot take a subject. As such, they should have an outgoing slash arrow. Gerunds on their own will very often be XADVs,

fulfilling an adverbial role in the sentence. This goes both for instrumental ablative gerunds and final genitive gerunds:



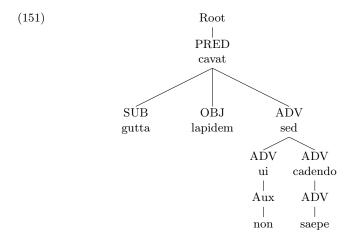
However, gerunds are also very often embedded in a preposition phrase. In such cases, the preposition serves as an ADV, while the gerund is an OBL of the preposition with a slash to its subject:



 $discipuli\ in\ remigando\ laborant$ 

Another common use of gerunds is as arguments of certain verbal nouns, as in e.g. *spes vincendi*. In this function, they are NARGs, but with a slash to the subject if one is present. This slash should be directed towards the nearest possible subject - the number of nodes one must go upwards from the NARG/OBL slasher node before one descends towards the slashee node should be as small as possible.

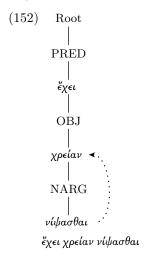
Ablative gerunds are also typically ADVs:



gutta cavat lapidem non vi sed saepe cadendo

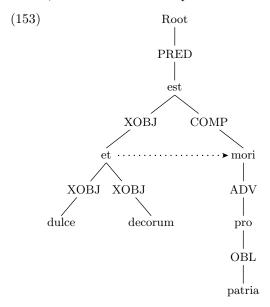
#### 15.11 Infinitives

The two most common functions of (non-articular) infinitives are head of AcI (which is a COMP) and complement of auxiliary verb (XOBJ). But infinitives can have other functions, often corresponding to that of the gerund in Latin. For example, a bare infinitive can express purpose, in which case it is an XADV. It can also be an argument of a noun, in which case it is a NARG. The articular infinitive can be the object of a preposition, in which case it is an OBL. XADVs and XOBJs underlie some restriction on their slashes, which should always be 'local', ie. point toward the mother node or a node which the mother node dominates. Slashes from NARGs and OBLs are freer, but should still be as local as possible - the number of nodes one must go upwards from the NARG/OBL slasher node before one descends towards the slashee node should be as small as possible.



The subject of  $\nu i \psi \alpha \sigma \theta \alpha \iota$  is not represented directly, but is coreferent with the subject of  $\xi \chi \epsilon \iota$ . If this subject was present in the sentence, the coreference would again be noted by means of the slash notation.

Furthermore, infinitives are often found in positions where it could be analysed as a subject. However, we have chosen to treat it as a COMP 'across the board', in order to avoid complicated choices:



dulce et decorum est pro patria mori

### 15.12 OCS reflexives

Note that the reflexive marker with OCS and Gothic reflexive verbs is analysed as Aux:

Reflexive clitics can sometimes occur in the dative instead of the accusative; they are still aux'es.

### 15.13 Datives

The dative has a variety of meanings within the languages in our corpus. In Greek and Gothic, for example, the instrumental and the dative have syncretized. Therefore the dative has a variety of instrumental meanings which

are almost always ADVs, except with some verbs like  $\chi\rho\acute{a}o\mu\alpha\iota$  'use' which takes a dative OBL.

In this section, we focus particularly on the 'dative proper', excluding meanings that have arisen by syncretism. The proper dative has as its central meaning the expression of 'the more remotely concerned person'. This will most often be an OBL. However, there are some other possibilities.

Note that it is not always easy to determine whether a dative-marked nominal is adverbal or adnominal, particularly in constructions which can be perceived as predicative possession:

- (155) і тръжьникомъ расыпа пѣназы (John 2:15)
- (156) како ти естъ има
- (157) и има еи елисаветъ (Luke 1:5)

Our rule of thumb is that if the construction contains a (possibly null) copula and can be perceived as a predicative possessive construction (as in (156) and (157), see section 15.16 for more), the dative should be considered an OBL on the verb.

In other such constructions (e.g. 155), the dative should be considered an adnominal ATR if the verb is *not* the copula, or if the construction is *not* possessive. The reason for this rule is that the class of dative ATRs is so much smaller than the class of dative OBLs contained in ditransitive constructions and possessive constructions, and thus they are also easier to tease apart manually.

In other adnominal uses, the dative can be a NARG, whereas the so-called ethical dative should be ADV. This is our general usage whenever we have copula + adjective + dative: bonum esse alicui and similar constructions.

#### 15.14 Compound subjunctions

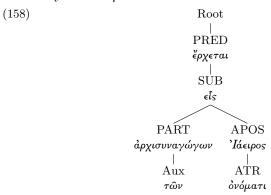
In Biblical Greek, there are some 'compound subjunctions' like  $\tilde{\epsilon}\omega s\ \tilde{o}\tau o\nu/o\delta$  and  $\pi\rho i\nu\ \tilde{\eta}$ . In such cases, we take the main word  $\tilde{\epsilon}\omega s$  or  $\pi\rho i\nu$  to be the the real subjunction, mostly bearing an ADV relation to the governing verb and being the PRED head of a subordinated verb, whereas the accompanying element  $\tilde{o}\tau o\nu$ ,  $o\delta$ ,  $\tilde{\eta}$  is an AUX dependent on it. We also treat  $\tilde{a}\chi\rho\iota$  o $\delta$  the same way. Gothic *bizei* is also done the same way, 52365.

Latin eo quod and propterea quod, on the other hand, is not taken as a compound subjunction: rather, eo, propterea gets its function in the main clause (mostly ADV), and the clause introduced by quod is an apposition on it. und patei in Gothic is treated the same way, since quod and patei are subjunctions.

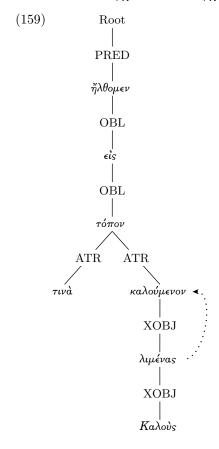
### 15.15 Appositive names: καλούμενος, ὀνόματι etc.

Names can be expressed as appositions, which sometimes occur by themselves, sometimes with an added  $\partial \nu \delta \mu a \tau \iota$  and sometimes introduced by  $\kappa a \lambda o \nu \mu \epsilon \nu o s$  (as

an ATR or APOS, see below) in the appropriate case. When it is not introduced by  $\kappa a \lambda o \acute{\nu} \mu \epsilon v o s$  or a similar verb, it is is simply an apposition to its noun, eventually with  $\grave{o}v \acute{o} \mu a \tau \iota$  as its own attribute:



ἔρχεται εἷς τῶν ἀρχισυναγώγων, ὀνόματι Ἰάειρος



ηλθομεν είς τόπον τινὰ καλούμενον Καλούς λιμένας

Here  $\kappa \alpha \lambda o' \nu \mu \epsilon \nu o s$  is an ATR because it determines the reference of  $\tau \acute{o} \pi o \nu$  and tells us which place is mentioned. If dependent on a proper noun or a definite expression,  $\kappa \alpha \lambda o' \nu \epsilon \nu o s$  will be an APOS instead.

## 15.16 Copulae, copula-like verbs and location verbs: esse, fieri etc.

In the old Indo-European languages, copulae and copula-like verbs often double as verbs of position, as in example 36. We do not try to keep these apart, but treat the preposition phrase as an XOBJ in both cases. It should be stressed, though, that this analysis is purely conventional and does not carry over to other location verbs, like *stare*, *maneo* etc. which takes a preposition phrase as an OBL.

esse and similar verbs can also have existential force, meaning 'there exists'. In such cases, if there is a preposition phrase or another locative expression present, it will be an ADV, and the sentence means 'There were X in Y.'

The copula verb is typically also used in predicative possessive constructions like *liber est mihi* 'I have a book'. The dative is here considered an OBL dependent of the verb. In possessive constructions there is often no XOBJ, but sometimes – particularly in some naming constructions like *nomen alicui esse* X – we have both SUB, XOBJ and OBL. Such constructions express that the subject referent 'belongs to' (in a wide sense) the referent of the oblique.

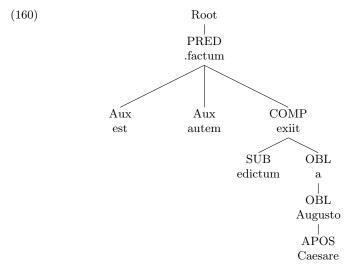
#### 15.17 Vocatives

It is easy to think that all morphological vocatives will have the relation VOC, but annotators should note that there are other possibilities. First, and most obvious, vocative nouns and adjectives can be ATR or APOS under another vocative.

But there are other possibilites. In  $O\dot{v}$  π $\hat{a}_s$   $\acute{o}$  λέγων μοι κύριε κύριε εἰσελεύσεται εἰς τὴν βασιλείαν τῶν οὐρανῶν, f.ex., κύριε κύριε will be an OBJ of λέγων. In Ti δέ με καλε $\hat{i}$ τε κύριε κύριε, κύριε is an XOBJ (with a slash to με).

#### 15.18 And it came to pass...

Narrative sequences are often introduced by  $\epsilon\gamma'\epsilon\nu\epsilon\tau_0$ , factum est autem or similar expressions. These are sometimes followed by a substantival clause ( $\delta\tau_l$ , ut) which is clearly a COMP dependent of  $\epsilon\gamma'\epsilon\nu\epsilon\tau_0$  factum Often, however, the subjunction is lacking. We still treat these sentences as COMP dependents, no different from other substantival clauses without subjunction:

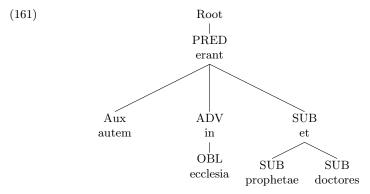


However, we sometimes find  $factum\ est\ ...\ et\ ...\ V$ . Here we coordinate the V with  $factum\ est$ .

Adverbs of time and space should generally be put under factum.

## 15.19 Copula, verb of position, verb of existence

In the old Indo-European languages, the copula ('John is a doctor') is often also a verb of position ('John is in London') and a verb of existence ('There are doctors in London'). We do not attempt to keep the first two apart: both complements ('a doctor') and ('in London') are considered XOBJs. But the existence verb is treated differently: here there is in fact no complement, only an adverbial:

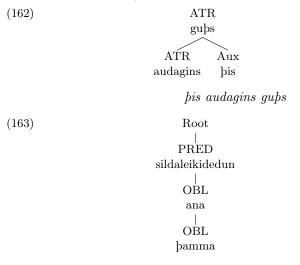


erant autem in ecclesia propheta et doctores

If in doubt, annotators should ask themselves whether a translation by 'there is/are' is possible in English, in which case the verb should be treated as a verb of existence.

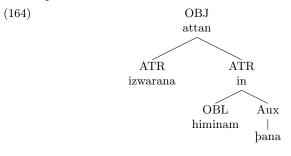
#### 15.20 Gothic sa

Gothic sa shows the syntactic behaviour of a demonstrative pronoun/adjective, but can also be used as a pure substitute for the Greek article. We try to capture this distinction by giving sa the Aux-relation whenever it functions as a mere article; when it has full deictic force, on the other hand, it will typically be an ATR-dependent of a noun, or bear a nominal function itself. The first example shows sa as an article, the second sa as a demonstrative pronoun:



sildaleikidedun ana þamma

Note that just like the Greek article which it serves to translate, Gothic sa can be used to nominalize adverbs or prepositions, in which case it is made an Aux-dependent on the head of the adverbial element:



 $attan\ izwarana\ pana\ in\ himinam$ 



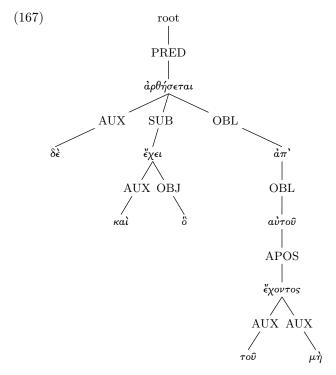
It can often be hard to decide whether sa in a given context passage has demonstrative force or not. Annotators should ask themselves whether this/that or the is the best translation.

# 15.21 'Pleonastic' $a \dot{v} \tau \delta s$ - resumptive pronouns and topicalizations

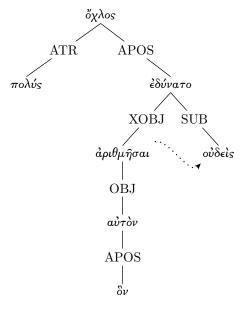
In many cases, Greek (and sometimes the translations) have a pleonastic  $a \dot{\vartheta} \tau \dot{\delta} s$  which picks up the reference of a full lexical noun phrase. A typical example is:

(166) τοῦ δὲ μὴ ἔχοντος, καὶ ὃ ἔχει ἀρθήσεται ἀπ' αὐτοῦ.

 $\alpha \vec{v} \tau o \hat{v}$  carries the syntactic function in the sentence, whereas  $\tau o \hat{v}$   $\delta \hat{\epsilon} \mu \hat{\gamma} \tilde{\epsilon} \chi o \nu \tau o s$  supplies the semantics. This is analysed by having  $\tau o \hat{v}$   $\delta \hat{\epsilon} \mu \hat{\gamma} \tilde{\epsilon} \chi o \nu \tau o s$  be an apposition on  $\alpha \hat{v} \tau o \hat{v}$ :



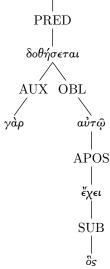
We use the same analysis for relative clauses with resumptive pronouns:  $a \dot{v} \tau \dot{\delta} s$  gets the grammatical function, and the relative pronoun is an apposition on it:



ὄχλος πολύς,  $\ddot{o}$ ν ἀριθμ $\hat{\eta}$ σαι αὐτ $\dot{o}$ ν οὐδεὶς ἐδύνατο (lit.) 'a large crowd which noone could count it'

Sometimes (e.g. 6784) we get a full NP inside the relative clause; it should get the grammatical function, and the relative pronoun should be an APOS on it.

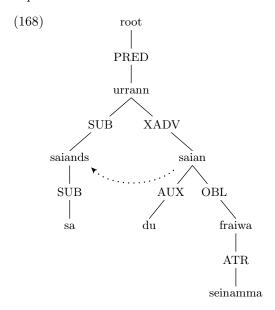
More common, however, are the cases where we get a fronted relative clause which is picked up by an  $a \dot{v} \tau \delta s$  in the main clause. We analyse these as non-restrictive relative clauses on  $a \dot{v} \tau \delta s$ : root The same analysis is used



whenever the fronted constituent is not a relative clause, but a normal NP.

### 15.22 Gothic at, du introducing infinite predication

In Gothic, infinite predications such as infinitive constructions and absolutive constructions are sometimes introduced by at and du. These are taken as aux-dependents of the verbal head of the construction:



Exactly analogous is the treatment of at + absolutive construction e.g. in 37757. Note that when there is only one du, but two coordinated infinitives, we take du as a dependent on the closest infinitive only, cf. 37500. Since infinitives can occur without du, and since it is not possible to decide whether du also belongs to the other infinitive, this is in a sense the minimal claim.

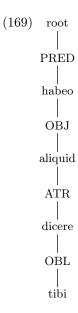
#### 15.23 AUX on pronouns – OCS иже аще

In OCS, ame converts relative pronouns into indefinite relative pronouns, such as in 36505. In these cases, ame should be analysed as a non-comparable adverb morphologically and as an AUX directly on the pronoun. In the Greek counterpart sentences, however,  $\tilde{a}\nu$  is considered to have sentence scope and should therefore be an AUX on the verb, as in 6652.

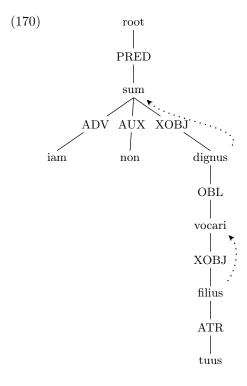
#### 15.24 Adnominal infinitives

In several cases, infinitives modify nominal forms like pronouns, adjectives and nouns, as in 'easy to read', 'something to eat' etc. We treat such infinitives as *modifiers* since it tells us *in what respect* something is easy and *what kind* of something we are talking about.

Dependents on pronouns and nouns therefore often become ATRs:



Dependents of adjectives is a somewhat more complicated matter: many adjectives such as dignus,  $a\xi los$  etc. require an infinitive or a subordinate clause. The infinitive therefore becomes an OBL, or a COMP if it is a full accusative with infinitive construction:



But note that adjectives also can take infinitives that are ADVs, such as in the 'easy to read' construction.

## 15.25 Impersonal temporal expressions: cum sero factum esset etc.

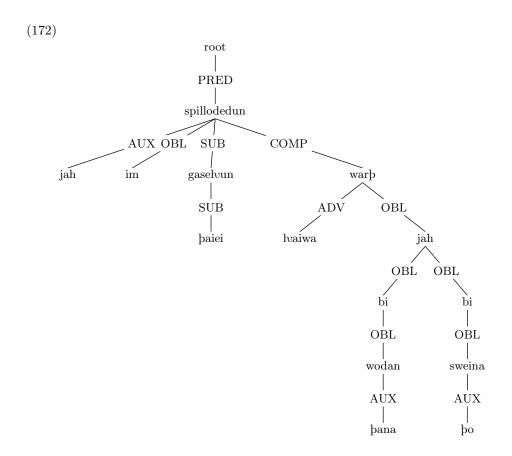
In impersonal temporal expressions like *cum sero factum esset*, *cum nona hora esset* we take the temporal expression to be a XOBJ, since the construction is impersonal the time is not predicated of something, but currently the system enforces that all open relations have a slash, so there should be a slash to the copula.

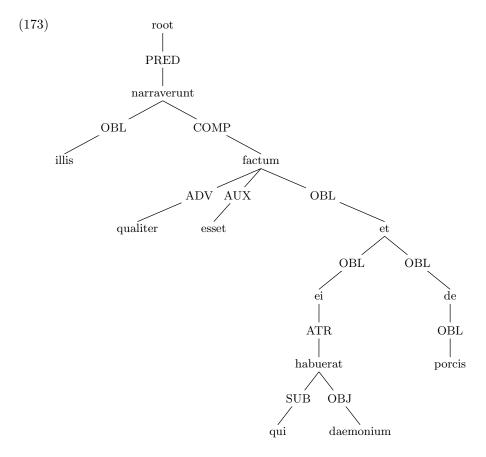
However, we sometimes get *hora* combined with something which cannot readily be an attributive modifier, such as *hora est vespera*. In these cases, *hora* is taken as the subject.

## 15.26 It happened to him...

Verbs such as gr.  $\gamma_i\gamma_{\nu\rho\mu\alpha}i$  may express that some event takes place. The person affected by the event may surface as a dative (in Greek) or as a prepositional phrase (de in Latin, bi in Gothic). We take these expressions as OBLs.

(171)root PRED καὶ PRED PRED διηγήσαντο AUX OBL SUB COMP OBL καὶ αὐτοῖς ίδόντες έγένετο  $\pi\epsilon\rho$ ì AUX ADV OBL OBL δαιμονίζομένω οί πῶς χοίρων AUX AUX  $au\hat{\omega}$  $\tau \hat{\omega} v$ 





## 15.27 'if not' $-\epsilon i \delta \epsilon \mu \eta$

'if not' is often rendered in Greek as  $\epsilon i \delta \epsilon \mu \dot{\eta}$  and in Slavic as аште ли же ни. Observe that we need an empty verbal node under the subjunction here; if the negation was hung directly on the subjunction the meaning would be 'not if'. The particle should belong to the main clause.

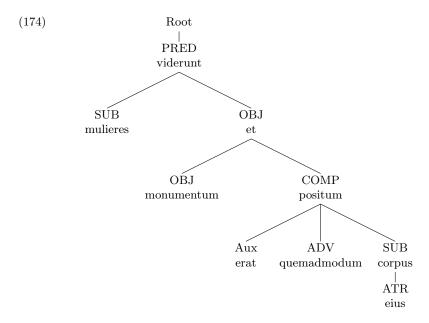
Latin uses alioquin and Gothic aippau for this. Both are simply treated as adverbs.

#### 15.28 COMP and OBJ in the same sentence

Sometimes a verb seems to govern both a COMP and an OBJ. There are two different cases to distinguish:

- 1. COMP and OBJ are coordinated
- 2. the OBJ is co-referent with the subject of the COMP

In the first case, the COMP and the OBJ should simply be coordinated and the coordinating node should be given the OBJ relation:



viderunt mulieres monumentum et quemadmodum positum erat corpus eius The women beheld the sepulchre and how his body was laid.

But in most cases where the object is coreferent with the subject of the COMP we have a different construction ('prolepsis' in traditional grammar) and here we make both the OBJ and the COMP directly dependent on the verb without any coordination:

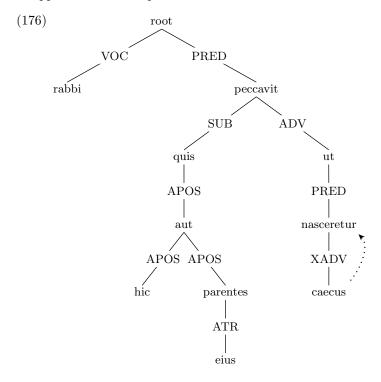


Scio te qui sis 'I know who you are.'

It seems characteristic of these constructions that the object is not really a thematic argument of the verb, but just anticipates the subject of the complement clause.

### 15.29 Questions with alternatives

Sometimes a question is asked with alternatives to choose between, as in "Who is the better one, me or my brother?". In these cases, the alternatives are taken as appositions on the question-word:



## 16 General issues

## 16.1 ADV or OBL? adjunct or argument?

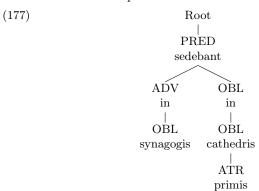
It can often be hard to decide whether a given element should be an ADV or an OBL, or – in more traditional terms – whether an element is an adjunct or an argument. Therefore we provide a super-tag which should be used whenever the annotator cannot decide, but the following section offers some advice to guide the choice.

Arguments are traditionally defined as 'elements seen as required by the verb'. In old Indo-European languages, nothing is really 'required by the verb', because all elements, even subjects and objects, can be dropped if they are easily inferable from the context. The test is therefore not whether an element can be left out or not, but rather whether it is possible to conceptualize the event expressed by the verb while abstracting from some element in the sentence. If that is possible, the element is an adjunct. Adjuncts (ADVs) are elements which elaborate upon an event desription and gives extra information about the event.

There are some kinds of adverbials which are almost always adjuncts. These are

- Adverbials of manner
- Adverbials of instrument
- Adverbials of time
- Adverbials of place
- Adverbials of purpose

But even here there are exceptions: in *bene tractare*, for example, *bene* is an argument, since it is not possible to conceptualize the idea of 'treating someone' while abstracting away from the way of treating him. utor + ablative in Latin, and  $\chi\rho\delta\omega\mu\omega$  + dative in Greek are cases where an adverbial of instrument has been grammaticalized so as to become a ablative/dative "object" - which we treat as an OBL. Place adverbials are typically OBLs and not ADVs when they appear with 'positional verbs', such as *stare*, *sedere* etc. However, even these can sometimes take a position ADV. Consider the following interesting example:

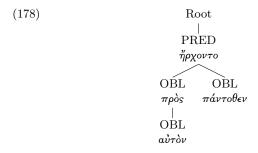


in synagogis sedebant in cathedris primis

The *cathedris*, seats, are inextricably linked to the sitting event, but the synagogues are not.

Elements of an idiom will also often be OBLs, e.g. *cum* in *pacem facere cum* aliquo. some more

There is also another way of thinking about arguments: they are elements that can appear in a sentence because of the main verb. Specifications on manner, instruments, times and places can appear with almost any verb. Specifications of goal and source, on the other hand, can only appear with a subset of verbs - mostly motion verbs - therefore they are arguments of their verbs. Sometimes both a source and a goal appears in a sentence, and both are OBLs:



ηρχοντο πρὸς αὐτὸν πάντοθεν

The two ways of thinking about arguments do not always give the same predictions. Here for example, one could argue that it is possible to conceptualize motion without a goal and a source; but goal and source are 'selected' by the verb and cannot appear with any verb.

If the two tests give the same result, we have a rather clear case of an argument. But most elements which test positively for argumenthood in either one should be considered arguments.

### 16.2 ATR or APOS? attribute or apposition?

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### 16.3 ATR or XADV?

Adjectives and participles (and other adjective-like categories) can be attributive or predicative/conjunct. In the first case it helps determine the reference of the noun phrase; in the second case, it is a predication which expresses an event or a state which 'accompanies' the main event and which takes the noun as its subject. Thus, example 92 has two readings: 'The happy Gauls (as opposed to f.ex. the sad ones) entered the camp', with a restrictive adjective which should be an ATR, and 'The Gauls, being happy, entered the camp', where the adjective does not restrict the group of Gauls, but rather describes a state which coincides with the main event. It is generally the case that attributive adjectives/participles can be rendered by a restrictive relative clause ('The Gauls who were happy entered the camp.') and predicative ones by non-restrictive relative clauses or even adverbial clauses: 'The Gauls, who were happy, entered the camp.'

It can sometimes be hard to know whether a participle or an adjective is an ATR or an XADV, ie. whether it helps determine the reference of the noun (ATR) or is predicated of the noun (XADV).

With definite noun phrases, the decision is easier to make than with indefinite nouns. In Greek there is overt marking: participles/adjectives in attributive position (directly after the article) are ATRs and participles/adjectives in predicative position are XADVs. But note that not all adnominal elements follow

the standard rules; for example  $\pi \hat{a}s$  regularly appears in predicative position even when it is attributive.

Even in languages with no overt marking of the attributive/predicative opposition or of the definite/indefinite opposition, it is generally easier to determine whether an item is an ATR or an XADV if the NP is semantically definite. This is so because the NP in such cases has a definite referent, and we can easily determine whether the adjective/participle helps picking out this referent.

With indefinites, this is more difficult to determine. Annotators can try whether it is possible to paraphrase a participle or adjective by a non-restrictive relative clause - if so, the participle/adjective is likely an XADV. Another test is whether it is possible to set up a contrasting referent - if so, the participle/adjective is likely an ATR.

#### 16.4 XADV or SUB?

A similar question arises whenever a participle is dependent on a verb without there being an overt subject present, as in *venientes dicunt ei*. If *venientes* is taken as the subject, the sentence means 'those who are coming say to him'. If *venientes* is taken as an XADV, it means 'Coming (to him), they said to him'. There are no clear tests to be used. Annotators should base their analysis on a semantic interpretation of the sentence.

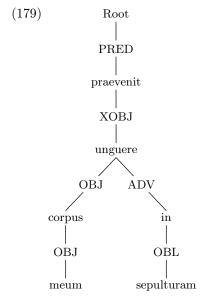
#### 16.5 More on the XOBJ relation

The XADV and XOBJ relations are unfamiliar from traditional school grammar. XADV corresponds quite closely to the concept of predicative/conjunct participle or adjective, so it should not be too hard to grasp. The XOBJ relation, on the other hand, does not correspond closely to one particular category of traditional grammar, so it needs further explanation.

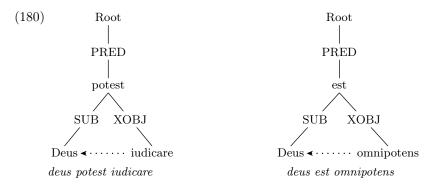
The crucial facts to grasp about the XOBJ relation is that it is used for predications which have external subjects (whence the X-) and which are governed by another verb. This means that nothing which can itself have a subject daughter, is an XOBJ: all finite verbs are excluded.

The prototypical XOBJ is therefore an infinite verbal form, but other word classes can also be predicative: most notably nouns, adjectives and prepositions.

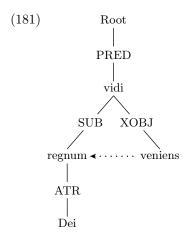
XOBJ is a governed relation, an element which is selected and demanded by the matrix verb. A prototypical case are auxiliary verbs, like *posse*, *coepi*, *velle* and others, which demand a complement infinitive (and this infinitive cannot take its own subject). However, other verbs can also take an infinitive argument:



 $praevenit\ unquere\ corpus\ meum\ in\ sepulturam$ 



The facts are the same in both constructions: both *iudicare* and *omnipotens* are selected by the main verb and cannot be deleted; and they both have external subjects (they do not themselves govern their subject). For this reason, we treat traditional predicative complements as XOBJs. A notable case which often appears is the accusative with participle construction:



#### 16.6 Empty nodes

In our model, we only use empty nodes to stand in for missing conjunctions in asyndetic coordination and missing verbs in elliptical constructions. Empty nodes should never be used for any other purpose, ie. to mark a 'null head noun' on which an adjective is dependent.

## 17 Error messages during syntactic annotation

### 17.1 'Must have or inherit one outgoing slash edge'

This error message means that a token which is XADV or XOBJ lacks a slash arrow.

Open predications (XADV and XOBJ, see section 10.9) do not have an 'internal' subject dominated by the predicate. Instead, the instead the subject is present somewhere else in the same sentence and should be linked to via a slash arrow. If the subject is not overtly present in the sentence, it must nevertheless be present in the argument structure of the governing verb and to represent this we let the slash arrow point towards the verb.

Notice that two XADVs or XOBJs under the same conjunction should not have one slash arrow each: instead the slash should be put on the conjunction. It will be inherited by the daughter nodes.

If you can't find a suitable target for the slash arrow, the use of XADV or XOBJ is probably wrong.

#### 17.2 'May not be a daughter of the root node'

Only tokens bearing the relations PRED, PARPRED or VOC are allowed as daughters of the sentence root. If you let any other element be directly dominated by the root, you will get this error message.

## 17.3 'Subgraphs overlap'

If there are several PRED daughters directly under the root, they must be strictly ordered linearly. If there are two PRED tokens under the root, all daughters of the first one must precede all daughters of the second one. If there are three PRED tokens, all daughters of the first one must precede all daughters of the next two; and all daughters of the second one must precede all daughters of the third one.

The reason for this is that if one sentence root has several PRED daughters, the tree will eventually be 'sawed up' in several trees each having only one PRED daughter. To assure that this will be possible, we need to secure that the trees are linearly ordered. If one sentence is contained in another, you should use the PARPRED relation instead.

#### 17.4 'Slashes are not contained by subgraph'

If there are two PRED daughters directly under the root, it is not allowed to have a slash arrow between the a daughter of the one of the PREDs and the other. In other words, the slasher and the slashee should both be daughters of the same PRED.

This error message is most likely to occur in the analysis of gapping in asyndetic coordination. In such cases, it is necessary to conjoin the two subtree through an empty node, see example 109.

The reason is, as in the preceding section, that two PRED daughters under the same root will eventually be converted to dependents of one root each, with no possibility of slashing between them.

# 17.5 'The head of a PARPRED/VOC relation must be the root node or a valid coordination'

Elements with the relation VOC or PARPRED should always be made daughters of the sentence root.

# 17.6 'Slash must target the node's head or a node dominated by the head'

The subject of an open predication (XADV or XOBJ, see section 10.9) should always be found in the same sentence. In case the subject of the open predication is not overtly realized in the same sentence, but is found in a conjoined sentence, the slash arrow should point towards the dominating verb, which in turn will have a 'shared argument' slash arrow to the overt realization of the subject of the XADV/XOBJ. ADD REFERENCE TO AN EXAMPLE.

# 17.7 'The head of a PRED relation must be the root node, a subjunction or a valid coordination'

There are restrictions on when to use the PRED relation: in fact it is only used under the sentence root or under a subjunction. There are two common situations where annotators get this message.

First, relative sentences and dependent interrogative clauses should *not* be headed by the relative/interrogative word, with the verb as a PRED daughter. Follow the rules in sections 10.4 and 10.5 instead.

Second, many subjunctions are not marked as such in the morphology. Check the morphological annotation and make sure that the subjunction is not annotated as a conjunction, non-comparable adverb or something else.

## 17.8 'A subjunction may only be the dependent in a COMP, ADV or APOS relation'

Subjunctions should always be COMP (if selected for by the verb and necessary for the sentence), ADV (if introducing an adjunct clause) or APOS (if dependent on a noun).

If you don't understand why you get this message, please go to the morphological annotation and check whether it is caused by a token wrongly marked as a subjunction.

# 17.9 'An infinitive may not be the dependent in an ADV relation'

Infinitives can certainly be adverbials (for example final infinitives), but they always imply a subject and so should be XADVs instead.