

dev-little (line 38) - dev-little

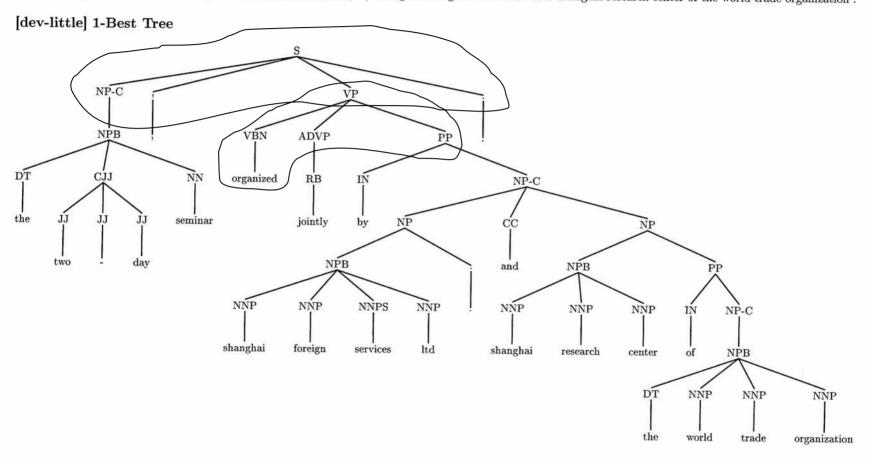
Input: 此次 为期 两天 的 研讨会 , 由 世界贸易组织 上海 研究中心 与 上海市 对外 服务 有限公司 联合 举办 。

the two - day seminar is jointly sponsored by the wto shanghai research center and shanghai foreign service company limited .

AlTemp-e: the 0 | two - day 1 | seminar 2 | by the world trade organization 3 | , 4 | shanghai research center 5 | and 6 | shanghai foreign service 7 | co . ,

ltd . 8 | jointly 9 | . 10

AlTemp-f: 此次 $_0$ | 为期 两天 的 $_1$ | 研讨会 $_2$ | , $_4$ | 由 世界贸易组织 $_3$ | 上海 研究中心 $_5$ | 与 $_6$ | 上海市 对外 服务 $_7$ | 有限公司 $_8$ | 联合 举办 $_9$ | 。 $_{10}$ [dev-little] 1-Best: the two - day seminar, organized jointly by shanghai foreign services ltd. and shanghai research center of the world trade organization.



lev-little (line 53) - dev-little

丁 豪 在 儿童 福利 院 读 完 小学 , 随后 进入 附近 乡里 一所 学校 上 初中 。

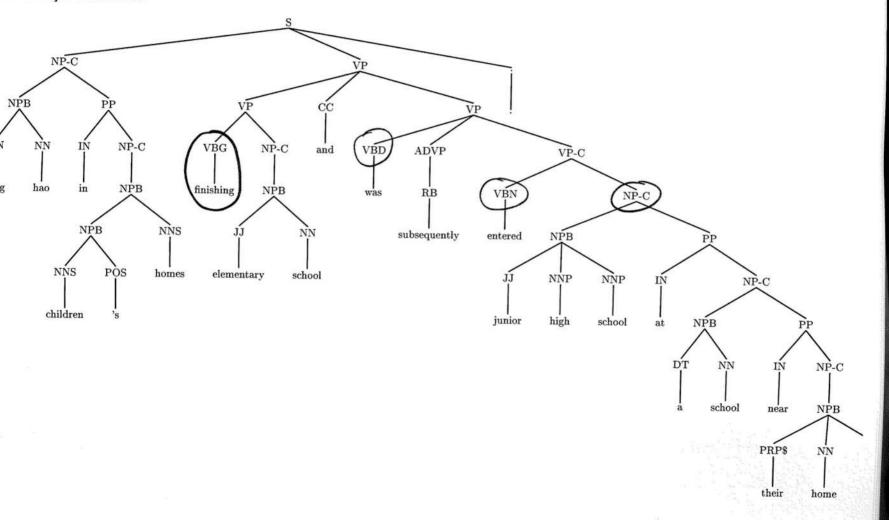
Reference: ding hao completed his primary school at the children welfare school , and then went to a nearby township middle school .

ding hao $_0 \mid$ in $_1 \mid$ children 's welfare institute $_2 \mid$ complete primary school $_3 \mid$, $_4 \mid$ then entered $_5 \mid$ commune $_6 \mid$ near $_7 \mid$ a school $_8 \mid$, $_9 \mid$ junior AlTemp-e: high school level . 10

丁 豪 $_0$ | 在 $_1$ | 儿童 福利 院 $_2$ | 读 完 小学 $_3$ | , $_4$ | 随后 进入 $_5$ | 附近 $_7$ | 乡里 $_6$ | 一所 学校 $_8$ | 上 $_9$ | 初中 。 $_{10}$ AlTemp-f:

dev-little] 1-Best: ding hao in children 's homes finishing elementary school and was subsequently entered junior high school at a school near their home towns .

ev-little] 1-Best Tree



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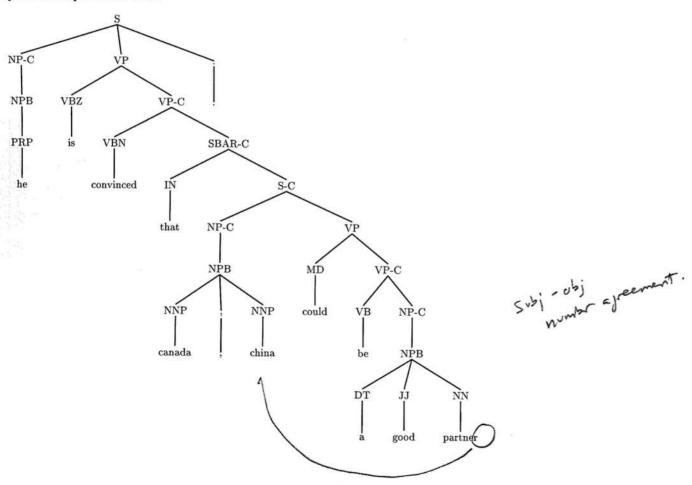
Reference: he assured that canada and china can become very good partners.

AlTemp-e: he was convinced that 0 | the 1 | two countries 2 | , 3 | can 4 | become good 5 | partners 6 | . 7

AlTemp-f: 他 确信 , 0 | 加 1 | 、 中 3 | 两国 2 | 可以 4 | 成为 很 好的 5 | 合作 伙伴 6 | 。 7

[dev-little] 1-Best: he is convinced that canada, china could be a good partner.

[dev-little] 1-Best Tree



dev-little (line 51) - dev-little

Input: 法国 外长 昨天 是 在 法国 国民议会 外事 委员会 会议 上 发表 上述 声明 的。

Reference: the french foreign minister made the above statement in a meeting of the foreign affairs commission of the french national congress.

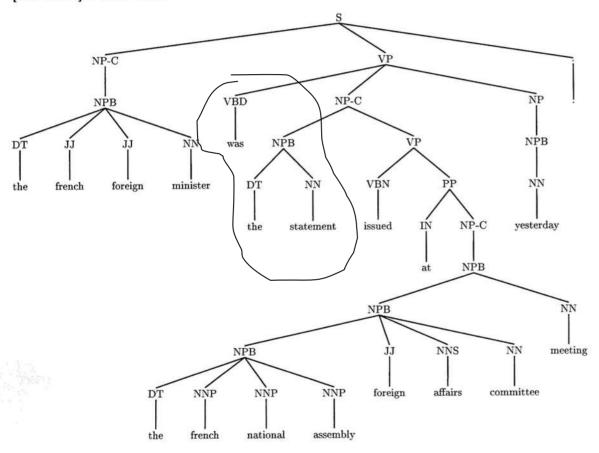
AlTemp-e: french o | foreign minister 1 | in the french national assembly 2 | yesterday, 3 | the statement delivered by 4 | foreign affairs 5 | committee

meeting 6 | . 7

AlTemp-f: 法国 0 | 外长 1 | 昨天 是 3 | 在 法国 国民议会 2 | 外事 5 | 委员会 会议 上 6 | 发表 上述 声明 4 | 的 。 7

[dev-little] 1-Best: the french foreign minister was the statement issued at the french national assembly foreign affairs committee meeting yesterday.

[dev-little] 1-Best Tree



dev-little (line 248) - dev-little

Input: 国防部 前天 对 导弹 发射 事故 作出 道歉。

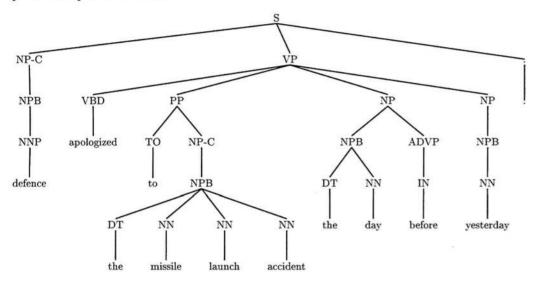
Reference: the defense ministry apologized for the missile accident the day before yesterday.

AlTemp-e: the day before yesterday 0 | the ministry of defense 1 | against 2 | missile 3 | launching accidents 4 | make an apology . 5

AlTemp-f: 国防部 1 | 前天 0 | 对 2 | 导弹 3 | 发射 事故 4 | 作出 道歉 。 5

[dev-little] 1-Best: defence apologized to the missile launch accident the day before yesterday.

[dev-little] 1-Best Tree



dev-little (line 125) - dev-little

Input: 今年 在 加利福尼亚 州 和 南部 地区 的 豪 雨 都 归咎 于 厄尔尼诺 作 宠 。

Reference: the torrential rain this year in california and its southern part is attributed to the el nino .

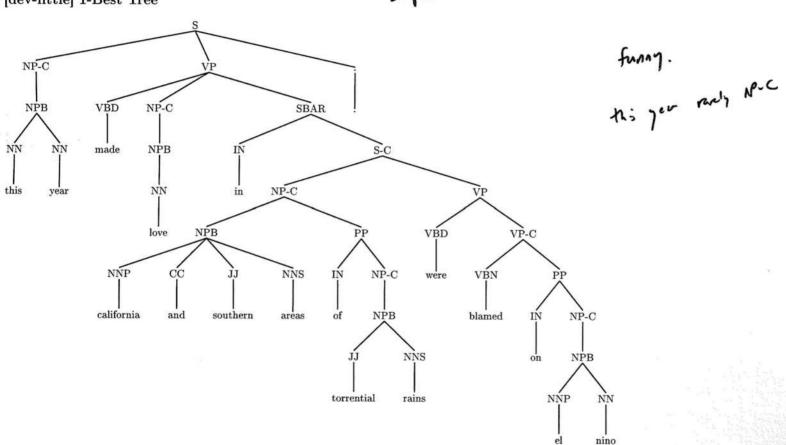
AlTemp-e: this year 0 | in california 1 | and southern 2 | areas 3 | of heavy rains 4 | attributed to 5 | a 6 | favorite 7 | el nio 8 | . 9

AlTemp-f: 今年 0 | 在 加利福尼亚 州 1 | 和 南部 2 | 地区 3 | 的 豪 雨 4 | 都 归咎 于 5 | 厄尔尼诺 8 | 作 6 | 笼 7 | 。 9

[dev-little] 1-Best: this year made love in california and southern areas of torrential rains were blamed on el nino.

[dev-little] 1-Best Tree

Scope.



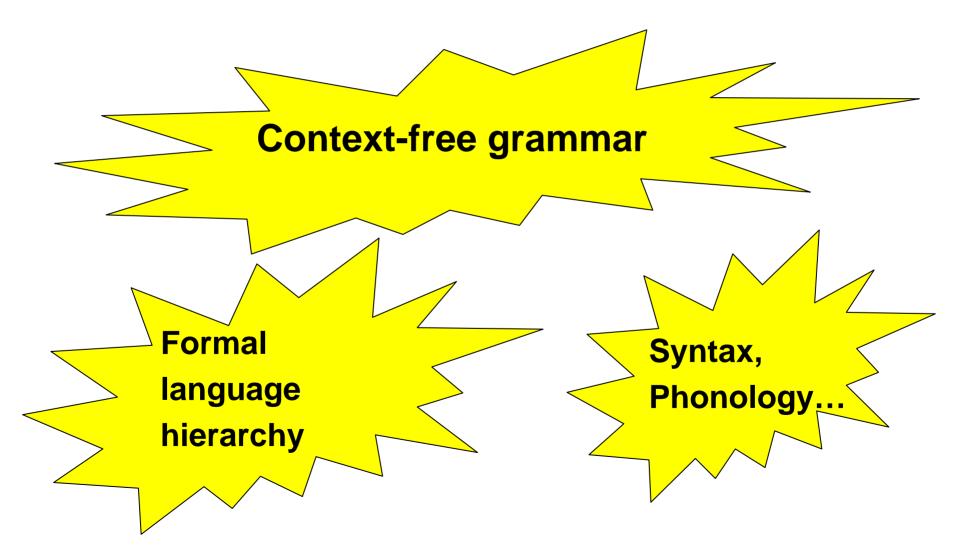
Lots of Open Problems

- Choosing syntactic categories that are appropriate for translation
- Decoder search in runtime translation
 - Many search errors hurt accuracy
 - Much faster speed needed for experimentation
- More context for rule choice
- Modeling English fluency, using trees

Chomsky's Program [1957]

- Algorithmically distinguish between grammatical and ungrammatical sentences:
 - John thinks Sara hit the boy
 - * The hit thinks Sara John boy
 - John thinks the boy was hit by Sara
 - Who does John think Sara hit?
 - John thinks Sara hit the boy and the girl
 - * Who does John think Sara hit the boy and?
 - John thinks Sara hit the boy with the bat
 - What does John think Sara hit the boy with?
 - Colorless green ideas sleep furiously.
 - * Green sleep furiously ideas colorless.

This Research Program has Contributed Powerful Ideas



This Research Program is Really Unfinished

Type	in	your	English	sentenc	e her	e:
				Is	this	grammatical?
				Is	this	sensible?

immediate consequences

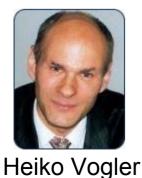
for machine translation

and life in general ...

Big World of Tree Automata Theory

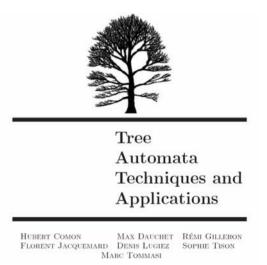
Doner (1968), Rounds (1970), Thatcher (1970), Engelfriet thesis (1975), Gecseg & Steinby textbook (1984), ...







Magnus Steinby





Conference on Implementation and Application of Automata

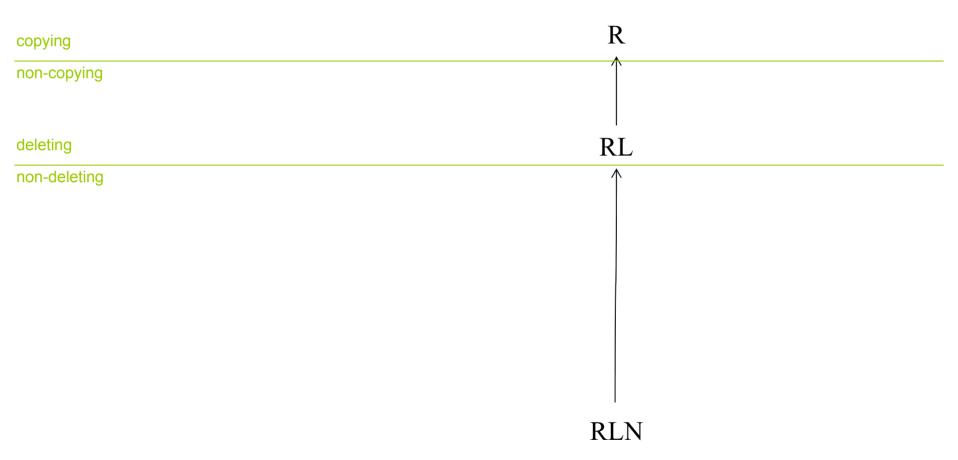
Tiburon: A Tree Automata Toolkit

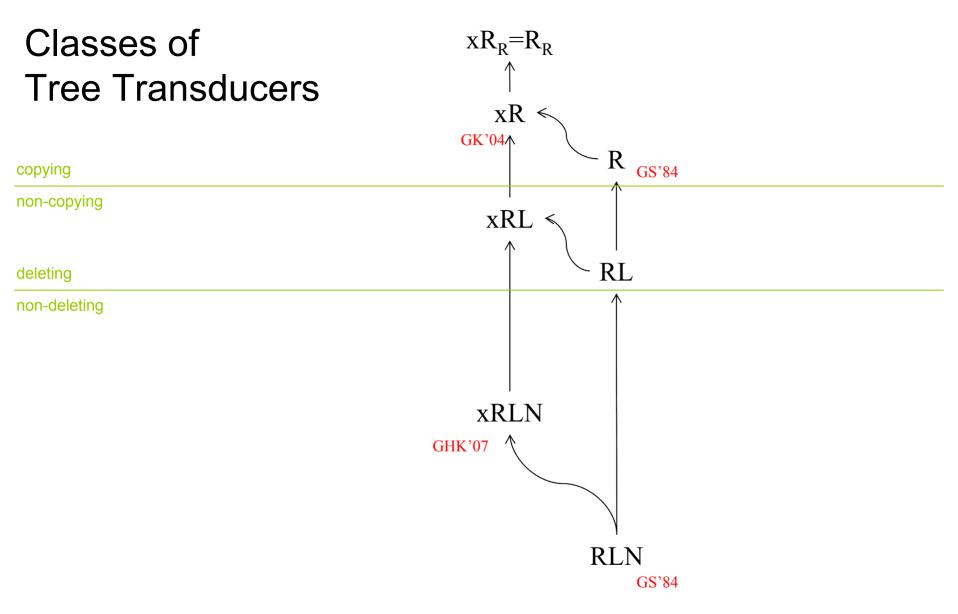
- Developed by Jonathan May, ISI
- First version distributed in April 2006
- Inspired by string automata toolkits
- You cast your problem in terms of tree acceptors and transducers
 - doesn't have to be MT
- You get implemented algorithms for free
 - e.g., as Kumar/Byrne'03 and Pereira/Riley'96 use string automata toolkits for MT and ASR
- Wealth of tree automata literature to drawn on
- Lots of open problems in tree automata and in choosing formalisms for modeling NLP

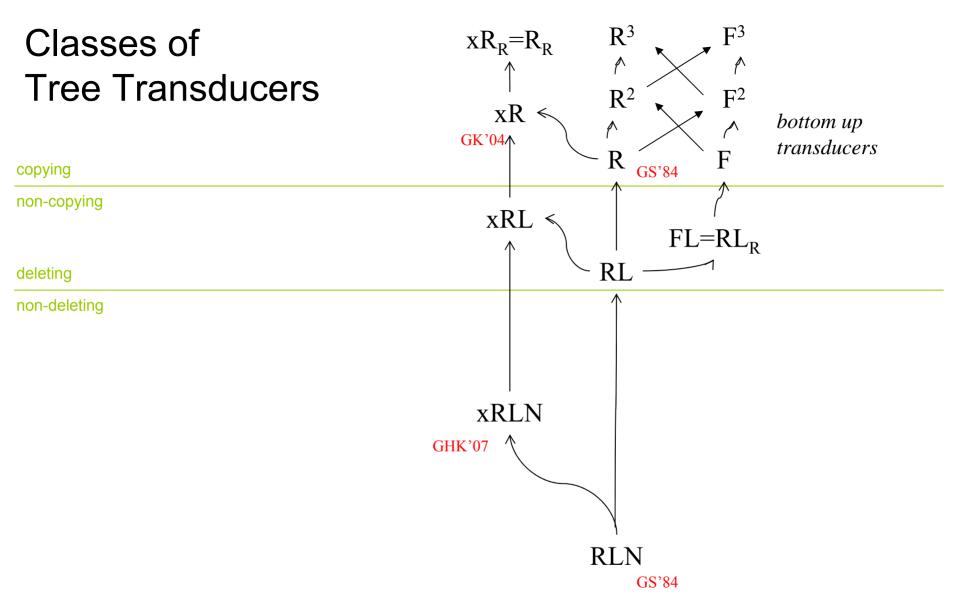
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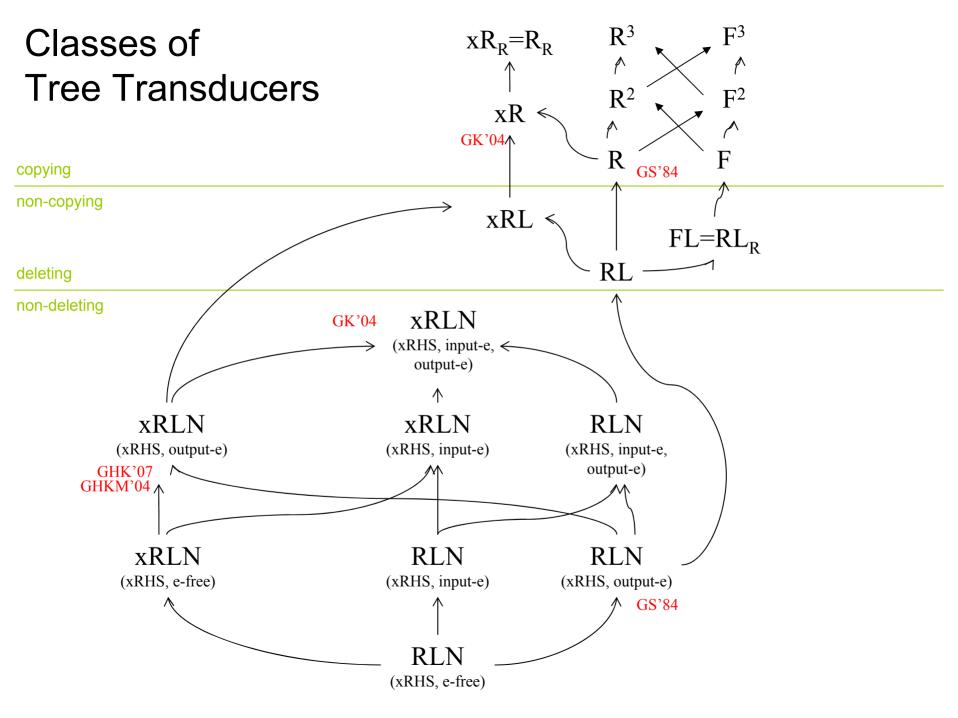
	String World	Tree World
N-best	paths through a lattice (Viterbi, 1967; Eppstein, 1998)	trees in a forest (Huang & Chiang, 2005)
EM training	Forward-backward EM (Baum & Welch, 1971)	Tree transducer EM training (Graehl & Knight, 2004)
Determinization	of weighted string acceptors (Mohri, 1997)	of weighted tree acceptors (May & Knight, 2005)
Intersection	WFSA intersection	Tree acceptor intersection (despite CFG not closed)
Applying transducers	string → WFST → WFSA	tree → TT → weighted tree acceptor
Transducer composition	WFST composition (Pereira & Riley, 1996)	Many tree transducers are not closed under composition! (Rounds 70; Engelfriet 75; Graehl, Hopkins, Knight, sub.)

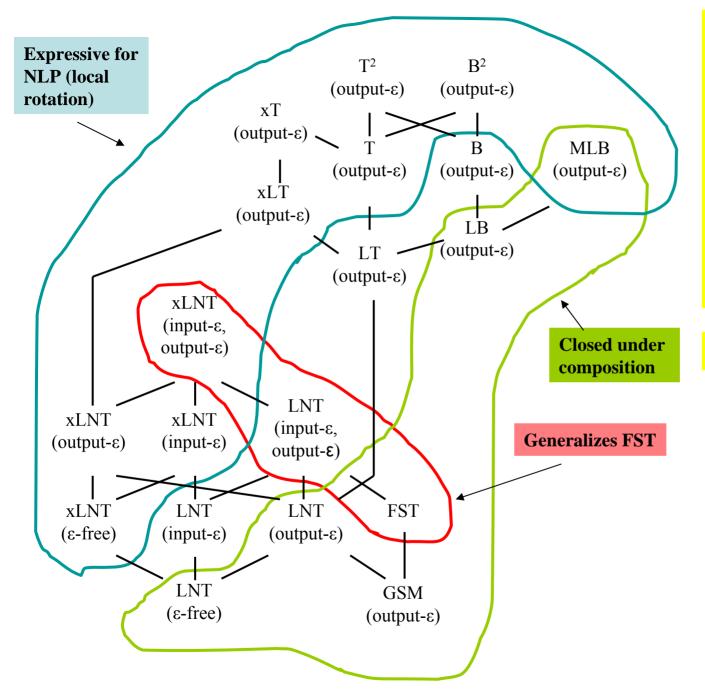
Classes of Tree Transducers











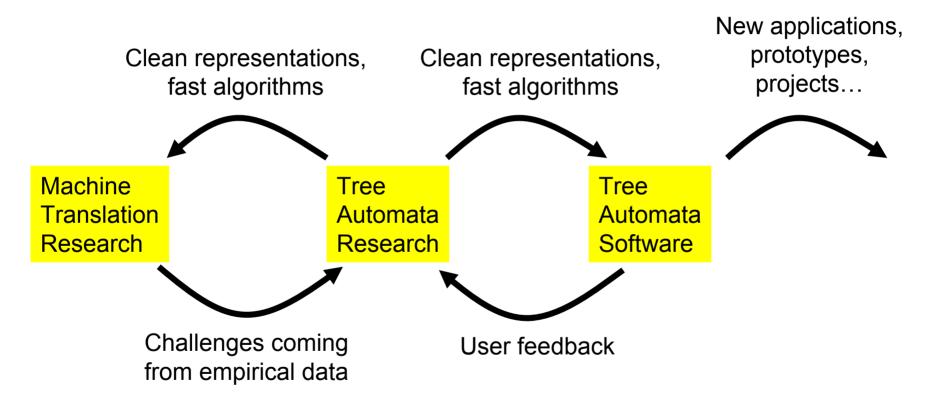
No known tree transducer class:

- is expressive for NLP
- is closed under composition
- generalizes FST

Active search!

(Knight & Graehl, subm.)

Research Synergy



This Is Interdisciplinary Research

- Machine Learning
- Engineering
- Linguistics
- Efficient search algorithms
- Automata theory
- Grid computing

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still the beginning!