

LING439/539 Statistical NLP (Fall 2016)

Tuesday 23 August - Introduction

Welcome !

- LING439/539 ***Statistical NLP***
- Tuesday and Thursday, 3:30-4:45PM.

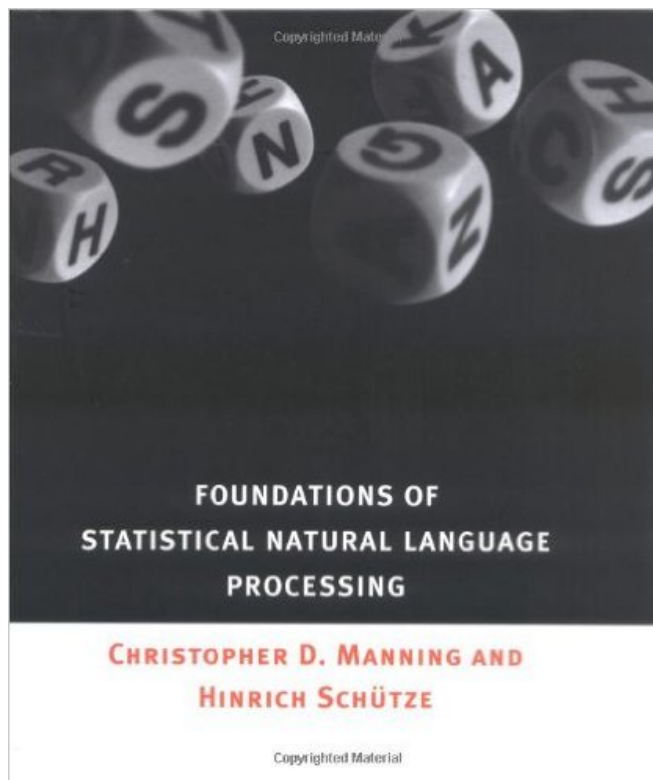
CL/NLP in UA

- LING438/538 Computational linguistics (required 388)
- **LING439/539 Statistical NLP (required 388/438)**
- LING388 Language and computers
- LING581 Advanced CL

Fall 2016

Spring 2017

Text book



Prerequisites

- For LING439: LING388 + LING438
- For LING539: No formal prerequisites.

Grading

- For LING439: 100% Homework (+ optional final project)
- For LING539: 75% Homework + 25% final project
 - You can work in groups of up to two people for the final project.
 - For students who take LING438/538 and LING439/539, one final project for both classes is allowed.

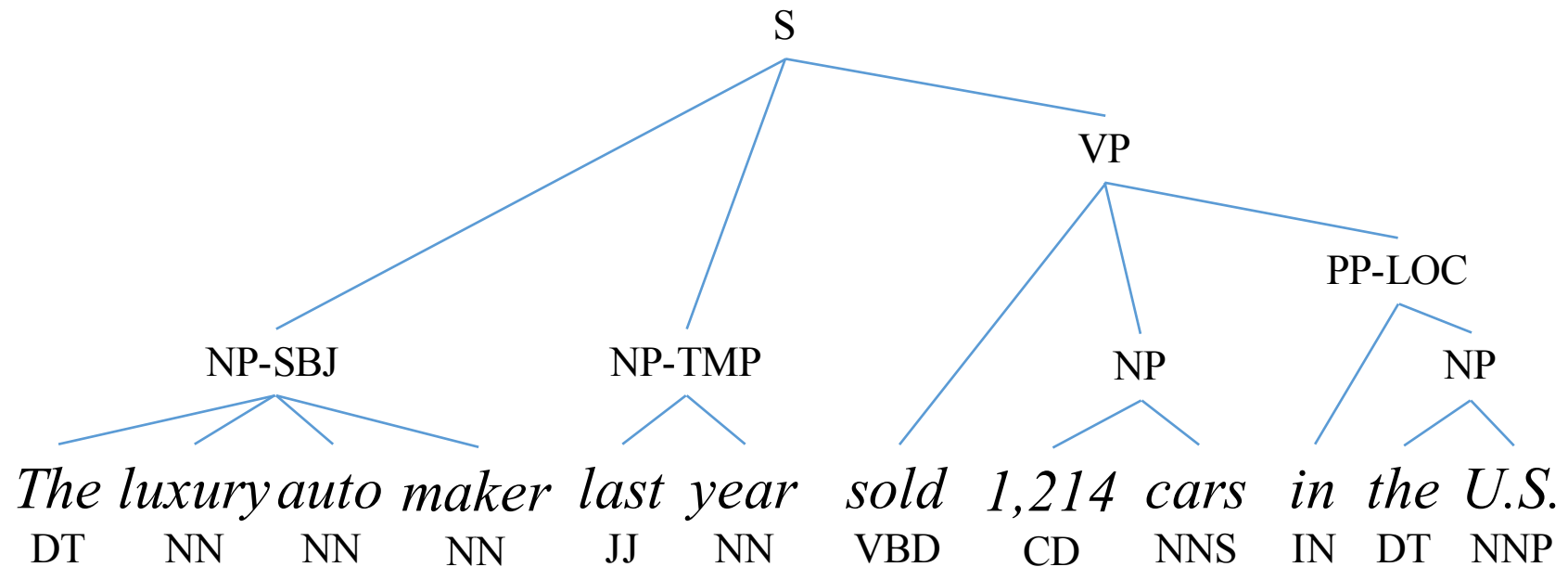
Natural language processing...

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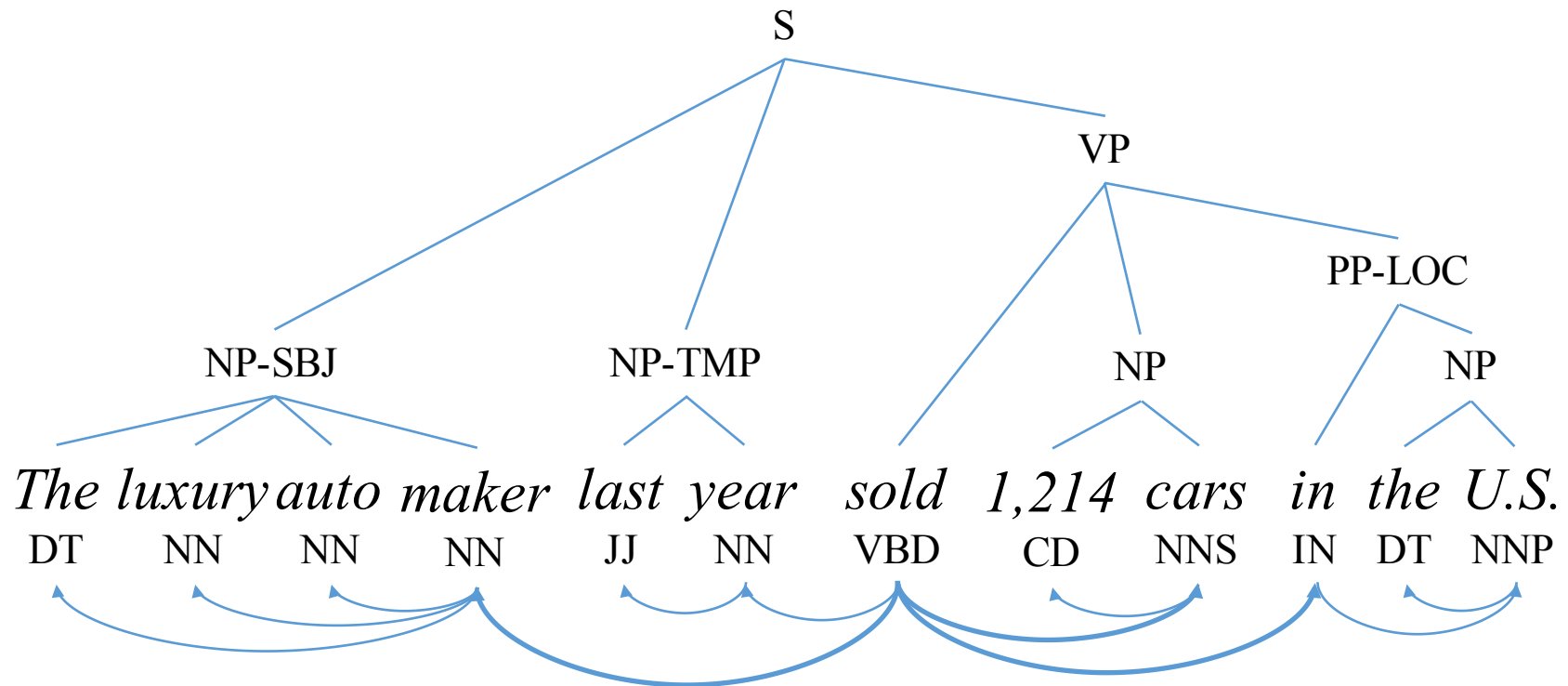
Part-of-Speech tagging

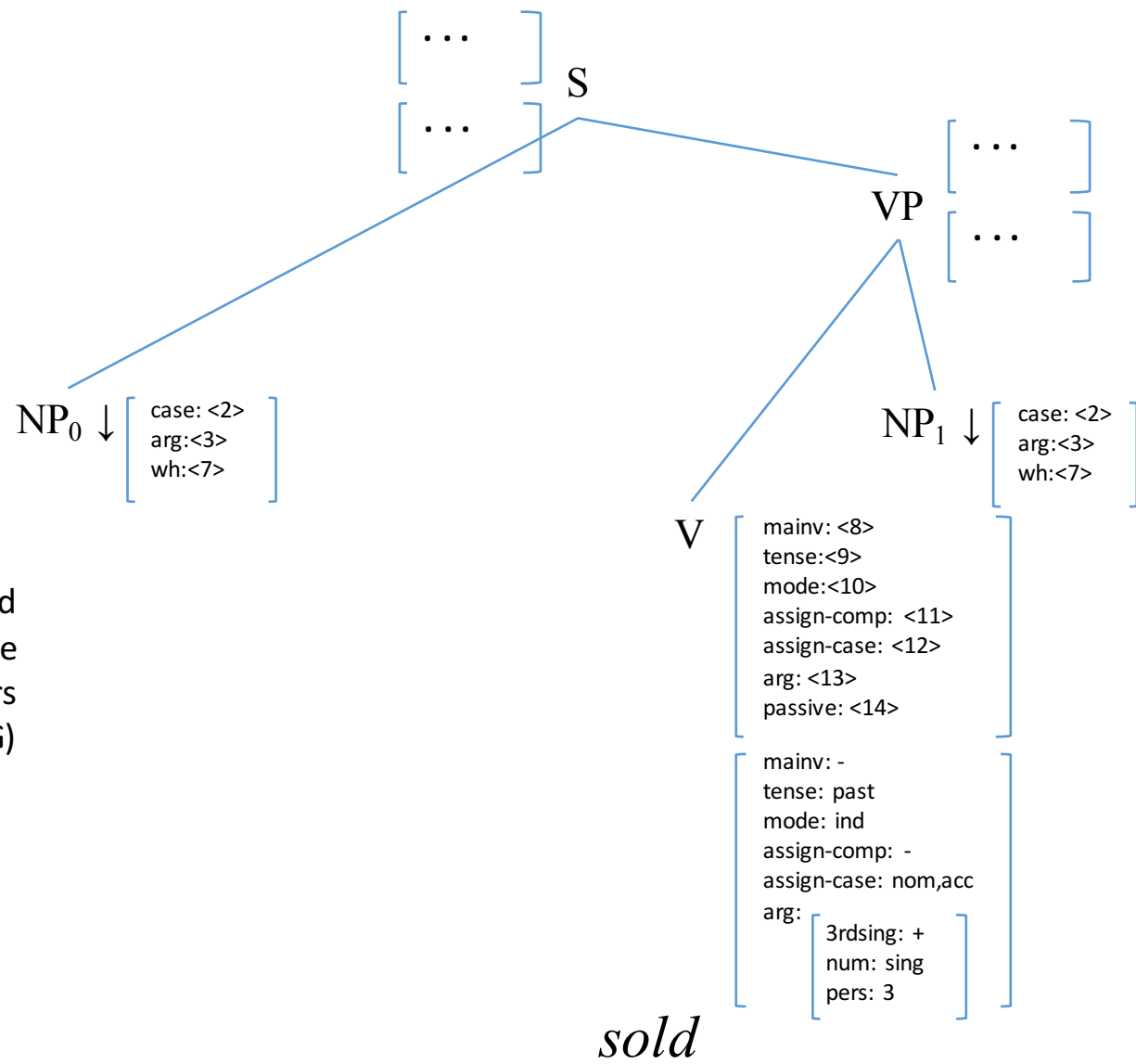
Penn tagset	<i>The luxury auto maker last year sold 1,214 cars in the U.S.</i>
	DT NN NN NN JJ NN VBD CD NNS IN DT NNP

Phrase-structure parsing



Dependency parsing





Feature-based
lexicalized tree
adjoining grammars
(FB-LTAG)

Computational semantics: FrameNet

The luxury auto maker last year SOLD 1,214 cars in the U.S.

Seller

Time

**Commerce
_sell**

Goods

Place

Named entity recognition

The luxury auto maker last year sold 1,214 cars in the U.S.

Named
entity

O O O O O O O O O O O LOC

Machine translation

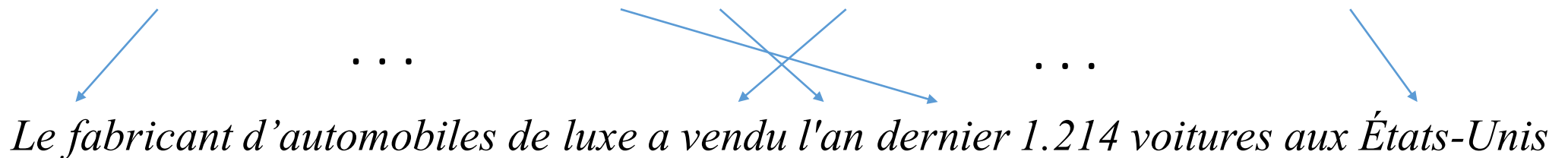
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Word alignment

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Why natural language processing is difficult ?

Ambiguities !

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NOUN

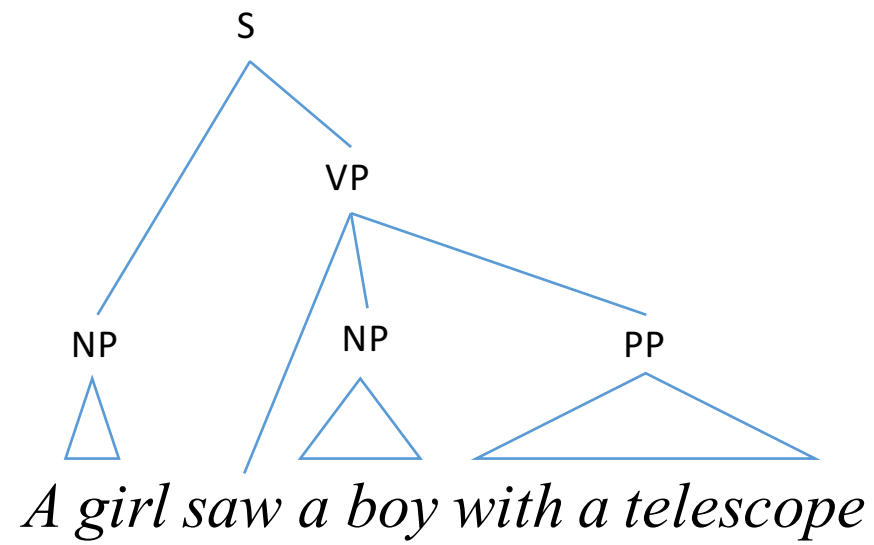
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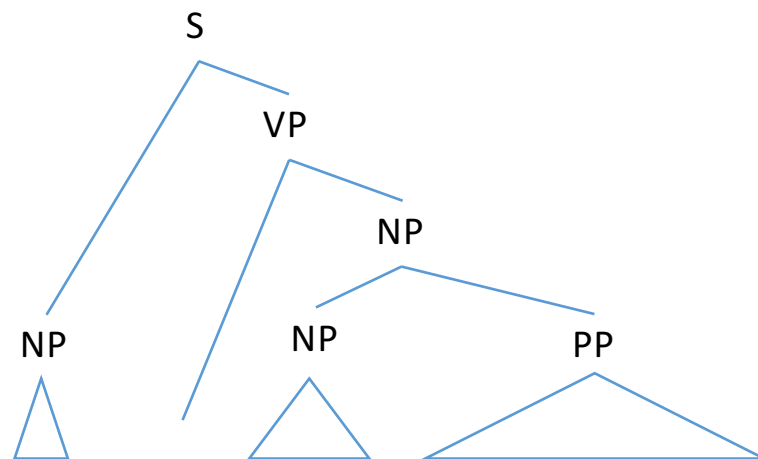
NOUN

ADJ

ADV

VERB





A girl saw a boy with a telescope

What we will do to remove ambiguities?

Statistical approaches

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- Chapter 8 Lexical Acquisition

Expectation–maximization (EM) algorithm

- POS tagging: forward-backward or Baum-Welch algorithm
- Parsing: Inside-Outside algorithm
- Word alignment in SMT: IBM Model 1