

Homework 3

The assignment is to add features to the grammar and parser, as described in Handout 6. Submit a single file, `hw3.py`.

1. Categories.

- a. Define class `Category` as a subclass of `tuple`. The only method you need to provide is `__repr__()`:

```
1 >>> from hw3 import *
2 >>> Category(['V', 0, 'i', '0'])
3 V.$0.i.0
```

- b. Define function `parse_category(v,t)` that takes a string `v` and a symbol table `t`. The symbol table is optional. If the symbol table is not provided, signal an error if `v` contains variables. An example:

```
1 >>> t = {}
2 >>> c = parse_category('A.x.$x', t)
3 >>> c
4 A.x.$0
5 >>> c[2]
6 0
7 >>> parse_category('B.$y.$x', t)
8 B.$1.$0
9 >>> parse_category('C.x')
10 C.x
11 >>> parse_category('C.$x')
12 Traceback (most recent call last):
13 ...
14 Exception: Variables not allowed
```

- c. Define `meet(u,v)`

```
1 >>> meet('a', 'a')
2 'a'
3 >>> meet('a', 'b')
4 >>> meet('a', '*')
5 'a'
6 >>> meet('*', 'a')
7 'a'
```

- d. Define `unify(x,y,b)`

```
1 >>> t = {'x': 0, 'y': 1}
2 >>> b = ['*', '*']
3 >>> b2 = unify(parse_category('A.$y.b', t), parse_category('A.c.b', t), b)
4 >>> b2
5 ['*', 'c']
6 >>> unify(parse_category('B.$y', t), parse_category('B.b', t), b2)
7 >>>
```

- e. Define `subst(b, x)`

```
1 >>> subst(b2, parse_category('X.$y.b.$x', t))
2 X.c.b.*
```

2. Redefine `Lexicon`, `Rule`, and `Grammar`

- a. `Index` does not change; you can import it from `hw2`.
b. Modify the `load()` method for `Lexicon` so that it accepts lexicons with features.

```
1 >>> lex = Lexicon('fg0.lex')
2 >>> lex.parts('barked')
3 [V.*.i.0]
```

- c. The constructor is now `Rule(x, y, b)`, for x the lefthand-side category, y the list of righthand-side categories, and b a list of initial bindings. Add a `bindings` attribute, and make sure `__repr__()` does the right thing.

```
1 >>> t = {}
2 >>> np = parse_category('NP.$n', t)
3 >>> det = parse_category('Det.$n', t)
4 >>> n = parse_category('N.$n', t)
5 >>> r = Rule(np, [det, n], ['*'])
6 >>> r
7 NP.$0 -> Det.$0 N.$0
```

- d. Modify the `load()` method for `Grammar`. You may delete the `generate()` method—it will not work with features.

```
1 >>> g = Grammar('fg0')
2 >>> g.continuations('Det')
3 [NP.$0 -> Det.$0 N.$0]
```

3. Redefine `Parser` as described in Handout 6. `Node` and `cross_product` do not change; you can import them from `hw2`.

```
1 >>> p = Parser(g)
2 >>> trees = p('the dog barks'.split())
3 >>> print(trees[0])
4 (S
5   (NP.sg
6     (Det.* the)
7     (N.sg dog))
8   (VP.sg
9     (V.sg.i.0 barks)))
```

4. For a more strenuous test, make sure that your parser handles `fg1` and all the sentences in `fg1.sents`.