#### **Linearization Grammars**

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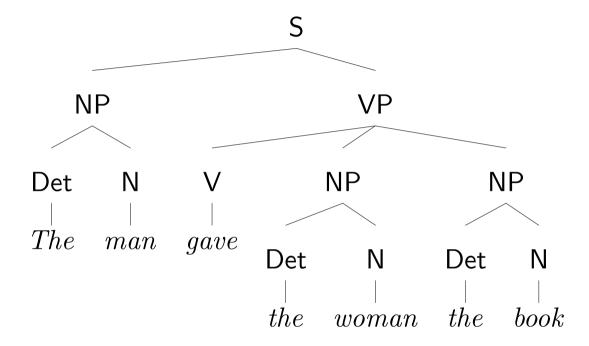
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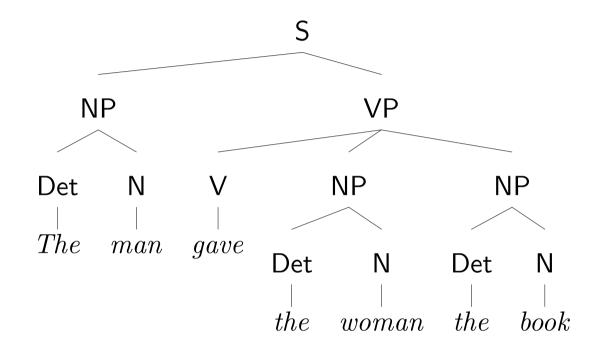
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Phrase structure grammars are well-suited for languages with rigid constituent order like English (with additional mechanisms for long-distance dependencies, etc.).

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A sentence can be embedded inside the Vorfeld, Mittelfeld, or Nachfeld (Reis, 1980, p. 82).

(7) Die Pflanzen, die in ihrem Zimmer standen, waren schon so lange nicht mehr the plants which in her room stood were already so long no more gegossen worden, daß es einem bei ihrem Anblick ganz schwer ums Herz watered been that it one at their viewing wholly heavy around the heart wurde.

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'The plants in her room had long not been watered so that it was a sad sight.'

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Karl	färbt	den Mantel	um	den Maria kennt.	
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	Schläft Schlaf!	Karl?			
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Note that each of these rules expresses the same dominance relation.

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- (simplified) Linear Precedence (LP) Statements:

$$\begin{aligned} V[\mathrm{INITIAL}+] &< X \\ X &< V[\mathrm{INITIAL}-] \end{aligned}$$

# Valence in GPSG/HPSG

- GPSG: lexical entries have numbers to select specific phrase structure rules.
- HPSG: lexical entries contain list with descriptions of arguments

$$gibt\ (gives)$$
: SUBCAT  $\langle \ NP[nom], \ NP[acc], \ NP[dat] \ \rangle$ 

 Arguments are ordered according to an Obliqueness-Hierarchy (Keenan and Comrie, 1977; Pullum, 1977).

# The Obliqueness Hierarchy

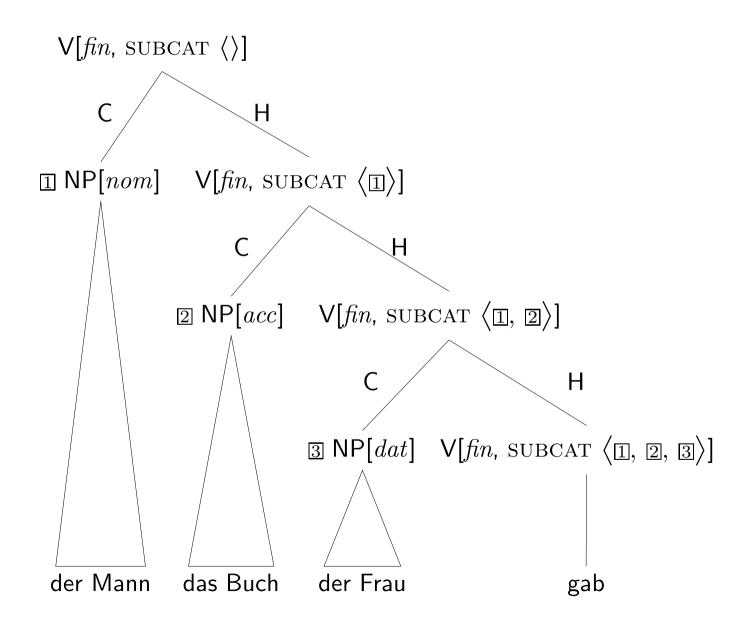
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- syntactic activeness of grammatical functions
- higher elements participate easier in syntactic constructions
  - ellipsis (Klein, 1985)
  - topic drop in German (Vorfeldellipse) (Fries, 1988),
  - non-matching free relative clauses (Bausewein, 1990; Pittner, 1995; Müller, 1999b),
  - passive (Keenan and Comrie, 1977)
  - depictive secondary predicates (Müller, 2001, 2002)
  - Binding Theory (Grewendorf, 1985; Pollard and Sag, 1994)

# **Example for a Lexical Entry**

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gibt ('gives'):
\begin{bmatrix} CAT & HEAD & VFORM fin \\ verb & SUBCAT & NP[nom]_{1}, NP[acc]_{2}, NP[dat]_{3} \end{bmatrix} \end{bmatrix}
CONT & GOAL & 3 \\ geben & GOAL & 3 \end{bmatrix}
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#### **Example: Binary Branching Structures**



# **Constituent Ordering in HPSG**

There is no surface order encoded in the dominance schemata:
 Schema 1 (Head Complement Schema (binary branching))

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\begin{bmatrix} \text{SYNSEM} | \text{CAT} | \text{SUBCAT} & \\ \text{HEAD-DTR} & \begin{bmatrix} \text{SYNSEM} | \text{CAT} | \text{SUBCAT} & \\ sign \end{bmatrix} \\ \text{NON-HEAD-DTRS} & \langle 2 \rangle \\ head-complement-structure \end{bmatrix}
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corresponds to head first or complement first serialization:

# The Constituent Order Principle

• A relational constraint computes the PHON value of the mother:

Constituent Order Principle adapted from Pollard and Sag, 1987:

$$headed\text{-}structure 
ightarrow egin{bmatrix} \mathsf{PHON} & order\text{-}constituents(1,2) \\ \mathsf{HEAD}\text{-}\mathsf{DTR} & 1 \\ \mathsf{NON}\text{-}\mathsf{HEAD}\text{-}\mathsf{DTRS} & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

- What can be encoded in the order-constituents relation?
  - In principle: any relation (incl. shuffling, dropping, adding phonologies)
  - In traditional HPSG: concatenation

# A Simple Case: Binary Branching Structures and Concatenation

• head first:

#### example:

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head first:

PHON
$$\square$$
 $\square$ HEAD-DTR[PHON  $\square$ ]NON-HEAD-DTRS $\langle$  [PHON  $\square$ ]headed-structure

example:

• head last:

PHON 
$$2 \oplus 1$$
HEAD-DTR [PHON  $1$ ]
NON-HEAD-DTRS  $\langle [PHON 2] \rangle$ 
headed-structure

example:

PHON 
$$\langle \mathit{Karl}, \mathit{sleeps} \rangle$$
HEAD-DTR  $[\mathsf{PHON} \langle \mathit{sleeps} \rangle]$ 
NON-HEAD-DTRS  $\langle [\mathsf{PHON} \langle \mathit{Karl} \rangle] \rangle$ 
 $headed$ -structure

### **Linearization Rules in HPSG**

- reference to feature values: [HEAD prep] > [HEAD noun] orders all prepositions to the left of nominal constituents
  - (9) a. in the bathroom
    - b. \* the bathroom in
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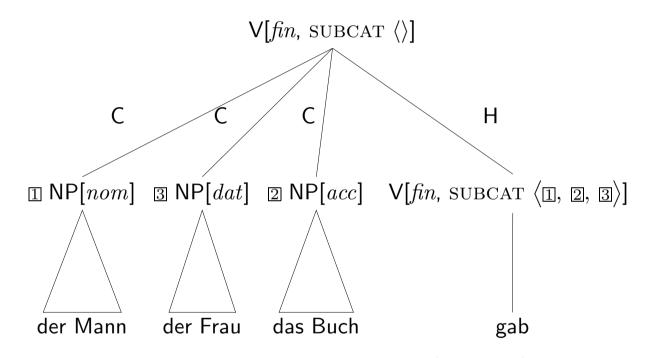
How account for the possible orders in main clauses (11)–(16) and in embedded clauses (17)–(22)?

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Gab der Mann der Frau das Buch?
                                                        weil der Mann der Frau das Buch gab.
(11)
(12)
      Gab der Mann das Buch der Frau?
                                                  (18)
                                                        weil der Mann das Buch der Frau gab.
(13)
      Gab das Buch der Mann der Frau?
                                                  (19)
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Reape (1996, 1992, 1994), Kathol (1995, 2000),
Müller (1995, 1999a, 2000a,b, 2002)
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### **Flat Structures**

• Pollard (1996) in HPSG (see Uszkoreit, 1987 for GPSG):



- The head contains a description of its arguments (1, 2, 3).
- Arguments are daughters of the same node.
- All permutations are possible since elements are sisters in a local tree.

### **Problems with Flat Structures: Huge Number of Rules**

- If one uses a phrase structure based backbone, the number of rules is quite big.
- Many different rules are required in a GPSG grammar with flat structures:
  - intransitive verbs like schlafen (S  $\rightarrow$  V, NP)
  - transitive verbs like kennen (S  $\rightarrow$  V, NP, NP)
  - ditransitive verbs like geben (S  $\rightarrow$  V, NP, NP, NP)
  - verbs with four arguments like kaufen (S  $\rightarrow$  V, NP, NP, PP, PP)
  - verb in initial position: verbal complex at the right periphery of the clause
- Problem also relevant for processing HPSG grammars with a phrase structure backbone.

# Problems with Flat Structures: Adjuncts (I)

- Adjuncts can be placed everywhere between the complements:
  - (23) a. Gab der Mann der Frau das Buch gestern?
    - b. Gab der Mann der Frau gestern das Buch?
    - c. Gab der Mann gestern der Frau das Buch?
    - d. Gab gestern der Mann der Frau das Buch?
- ullet The number of adjuncts is not restricted. o The number of rules is infinite.

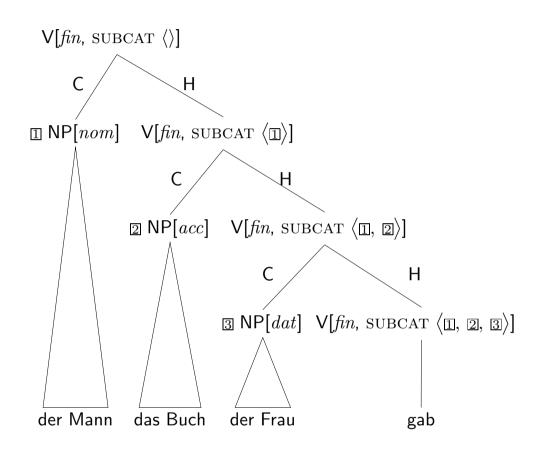
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- Even with ad hoc restrictions huge set of rules.

# Problems with Flat Structures: Adjuncts (II)

• Kasper (1994): underspecified number of daughters, adjuncts and complements in the same tree, computation of the meaning by relational constraints (little programs)

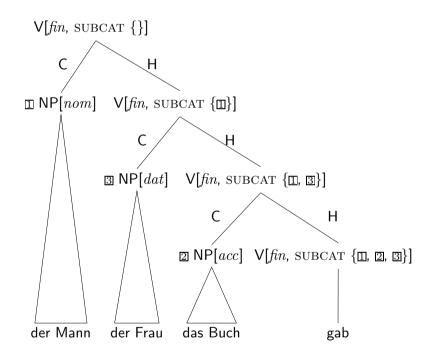
# **Binary Branching Structures**



- trivial to account for the free appearance of adjuncts
- But how do we account for the free ordering of arguments?
   (Usually only the last element from the SUBCAT list can be combined with the head in a head-complement structure.)

### A Subcat Set

• Gunji (1986), Hinrichs and Nakazawa (1989), Pollard (1996), Oliva (1992), Engelkamp, Erbach and Uszkoreit (1992), Nerbonne (1994), and Kiss (2001)



- an element of the SUBCAT set is combined with the head
- the only condition is that combined elements are adjacent

### **Problems of the Subcat Set Approach**

- spurious ambiguities if the head is in the middle example: coordinated structures Paritong (1992): conjunction takes two arguments
  - (24) a. [Karl [and Mary]]
    - b. [[Karl and] Mary]
- spurious ambiguities if nonlocal phenomena are involved:
   Adjacency is not sufficient to determine the position of a trace.
  - (25) a. Der Frau $_i$  gab der Mann das Buch  $\underline{\phantom{a}}_i$ . the woman $_{dat}$  gave the man $_{nom}$  the book. 'The man gave the woman the book.'
    - b. Der Frau $_i$  gab der Mann  $\__i$  das Buch. the woman $_{dat}$  gave the man $_{nom}$  the book $_{acc}$
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# A Subcat List and a Relaxed Subcat Principle

- Baker (1999) and Trale implementation of Müller (To Appear b): relaxation of the SUBCAT principle
- The SUBCAT principle is changed so that any element from the SUBCAT list may be combined with a head, not just the last member of the SUBCAT list.
- the same problems as with the set-based approach

#### A Lexical Rule

- Uszkoreit (1986): lexical rule that takes a verb and computes lexical items with permuted elements in the SUBCAT list
- ullet at least six lexical items are licensed for a ditransitive verb like geben

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(26) a. \langle \text{NP}[nom], \text{NP}[acc], \text{NP}[dat] \rangle
b. \langle \text{NP}[nom], \text{NP}[dat], \text{NP}[acc] \rangle
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- Uszkoreit suggested 18 (!) lexical entries.

  Instantiation of all features that are relevant for linearization.
- Meurers (1994) and Müller and Kasper (2000) in HPSG implementations.

### A Problem for the Lexical Rule Approach

The analysis of sentences like (27) results in spurious ambiguities:

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The element in the Vorfeld is extracted. Analysis as a nonlocal dependency.

All three valence patterns in (28) can be used to analyze (27):

(28) a.  $\langle NP[nom], NP[acc], NP[dat] \rangle$ b.  $\langle NP[nom], NP[dat], NP[acc] \rangle$ c.  $\langle NP[dat], NP[nom], NP[acc] \rangle$ 

NP[nom] and NP[acc] are in the same order in all lists. NP[dat] is serialized independently of the other two NPs.

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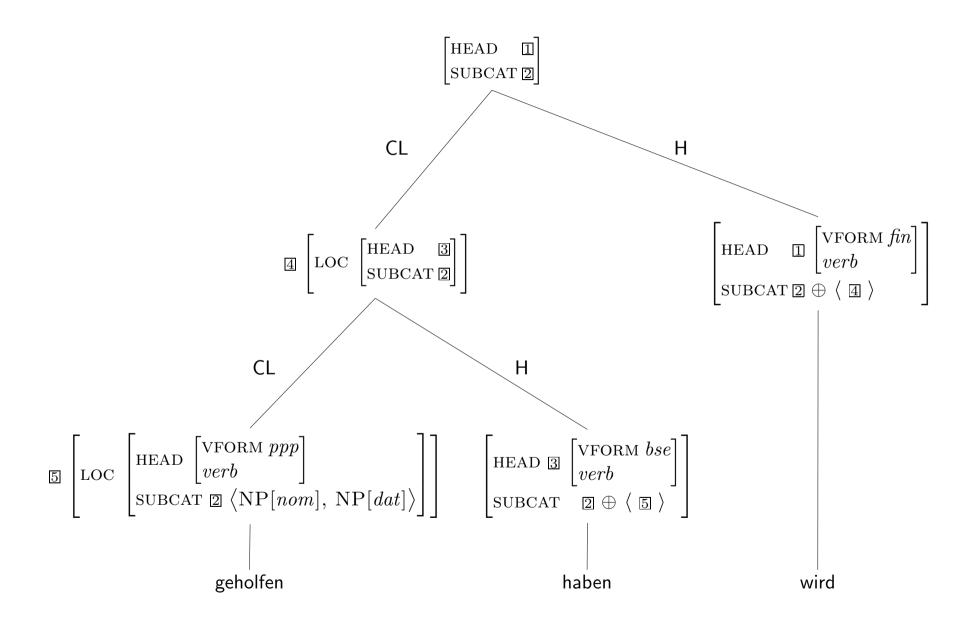
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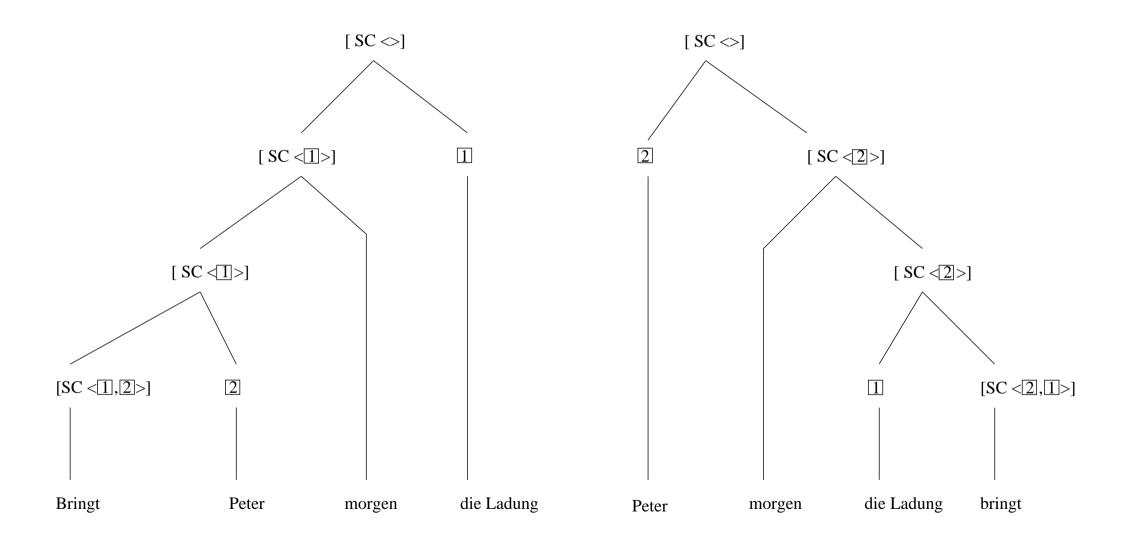
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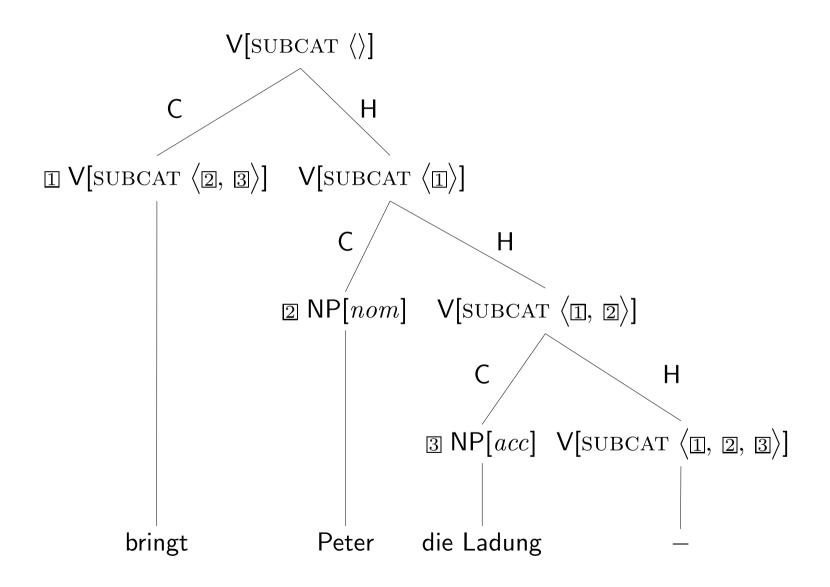


# Verb First and Binary Branching

- (34) a. weil Peter morgen die Ladung bringt.
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 Netter (1992), Kiss and Wesche (1991), Oliva (1992), Kiss (1995), Frank (1994), Meurers (2000), Müller (To Appear b): empty verbal head in final position

# Netter (1992): Analysis with Phonologically Empty Head



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- The trace has the same meaning as the verb in initial position (2).

## **Problem: Underspecification of Valence Information**

- Without further restrictions, the empty element is underspecified.
- Structures that are never used in full analyses are licensed locally.

#### (35) Die Frau gibt dem Mann das Buch.

- \* die
   \* die, Frau
   [die Frau]
   \* die, Frau, gibt
- 5. \* [die Frau], gibt
- 6. \* [die Frau gibt]
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                                                                      64 * Mann, [das Buch]
44 * gibt, dem, Mann
                                                                      65 * das
45 * gibt, [dem, Mann]
                                                                      66 * das Buch
46 * gibt, dem, Mann, das
                                                                      67 [das Buch]
47 * gibt, [dem, Mann], das
                                                                      68 * Buch
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In the Verb*mobil* grammar, additional constraints were used to exclude the unwanted structures.

For example: All non-verbal complements are fully saturated.

Nevertheless the search space is huge.

# **Projections of the Empty Head**

In any case we need a lot of projections for cases like:

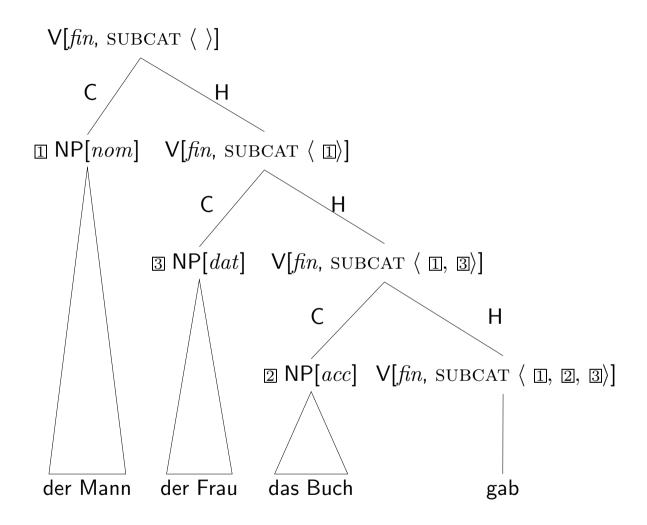
(36) in den nächsten zwei Wochen in the following two weeks

Various parts of this string can function as full phrases:

- (37) a. Er arbeitete zwei Wochen daran.
  - b. Darüber habe ich Wochen nachgedacht.
  - c. Ich kenne zwei.
  - d. Ich kenne den.
  - e. Ich nehme den nächsten.
  - f. Ich gehe in den.
  - g. Ich gehe in den nächsten.
  - h. Ich arbeite in den nächsten zwei.

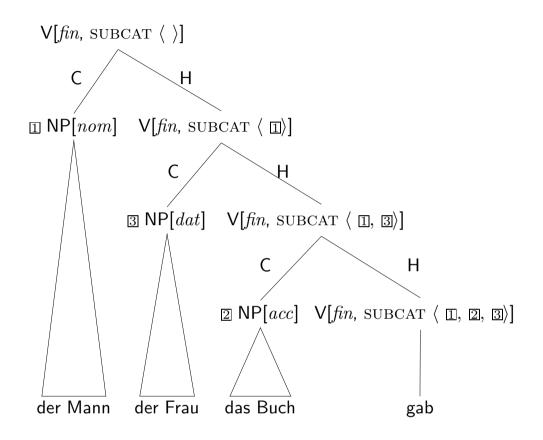
If we do bottom-up parsing, the empty verbal head can be combined with Wochen and this projection can be combined with zwei,  $den \ n\ddot{a}chsten \ zwei$ , or  $in \ den \ n\ddot{a}chsten \ zwei$ . And so on.

#### Binary Branching and Linearization Rules for the Mittelfeld (I)



• Note: There is no way to check linearization constraints for the Mittelfeld locally!

#### Binary Branching and Linearization Rules for the Mittelfeld (II)



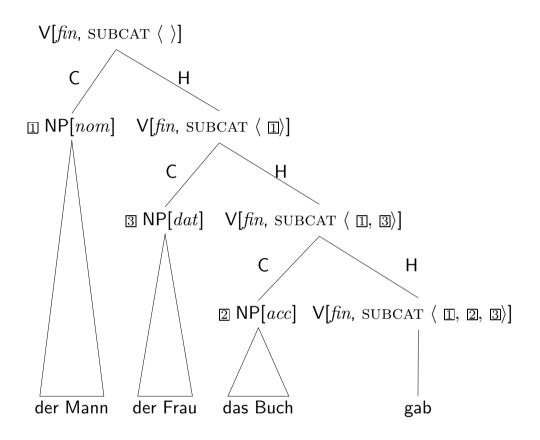
#### Solution one:

All constraints relevant for linearization are encoded in the lexical rules that license different permutations. This is Uszkoreit's approach. We need at least 18 lexical items for a ditransitive verb.

If we do not assume verb movement as for instance Crysmann (2003), we need 36 lexical entries for a (finite) ditransitive verb.

For geben ('to give') we would get entries for infinitival forms in addition.  $\rightarrow$  The parser would die because of high lexical ambiguity unless there is lazy evaluation of constraints.

#### Binary Branching and Linearization Rules for the Mittelfeld (III)



#### Solution two:

We keep a list of elements that are combined with the head and check the LP rules with regard to this list. This was never done in implemented systems (the Verb*mobil* grammar and successors).

If one introduces such an additional list the performance will drop considerably, since more space is needed and copying takes longer.

This has to be kept in mind when systems are compared.

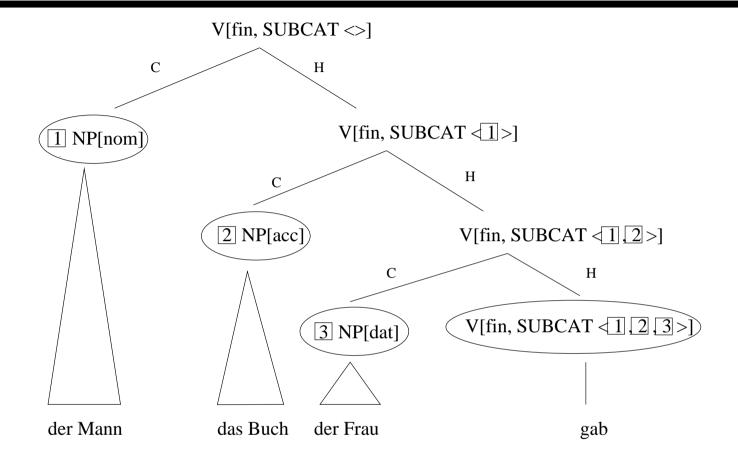
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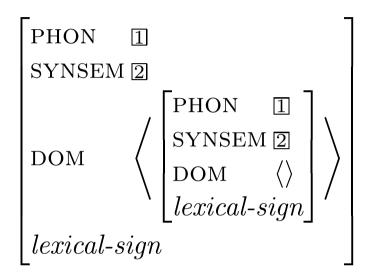
- extension of the domain in which linearization constraints apply
- computation of phonology values is independent of constituent structure
- German: Reape (1991, 1992, 1994), Pollard, Kasper and Levine (1992, 1994), Kathol and Pollard (1995), Kathol (1995, 2000),
   Müller (1995, 1997, 1999a, 2002), Richter and Sailer (2001)
- Warlpiri: Donohue and Sag (1999)
- Serbo-Croatian: Penn (1999)
- Japanese: Yatabe (2001)
- Dutch: Campbell-Kibler (2001)
- French: Bonami and Godard (To Appear)

### **Constituent Order Domains and Discontinuous Constituents**



- circled nodes get inserted into a list: the linearization domain
- permutation of elements in these domains is restricted only by linearization rules
- linearization domains are head domains
- scrambling is local

### Representation of Lexical Heads



- A lexical head contains a description of itself in its domain.
- Adjunct and complement daughters are inserted into this list and are serialized relative to this element.

### **Domain Formation**

Non-head daughters are inserted into the domain of their head:

$$headed\text{-}structure \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} \text{HEAD-DTR}|\text{DOM} & \boxed{1} \\ \text{NON-HEAD-DTRS} & \boxed{2} \\ \text{DOM} & \boxed{1} & \boxed{2} \end{bmatrix}$$

The *shuffle* relation holds between three lists A, B, and C, iff C contains all elements of A and B and the order of the elements of A and the order of elements of B is preserved in C.

$$\langle a, b \rangle \bigcirc \langle c, d \rangle = \langle a, b, c, d \rangle \lor \langle a, c, b, d \rangle \lor \langle a, c, d, b \rangle \lor \langle c, a, b, d \rangle \lor \langle c, a, d, b \rangle \lor \langle c, d, a, b \rangle$$

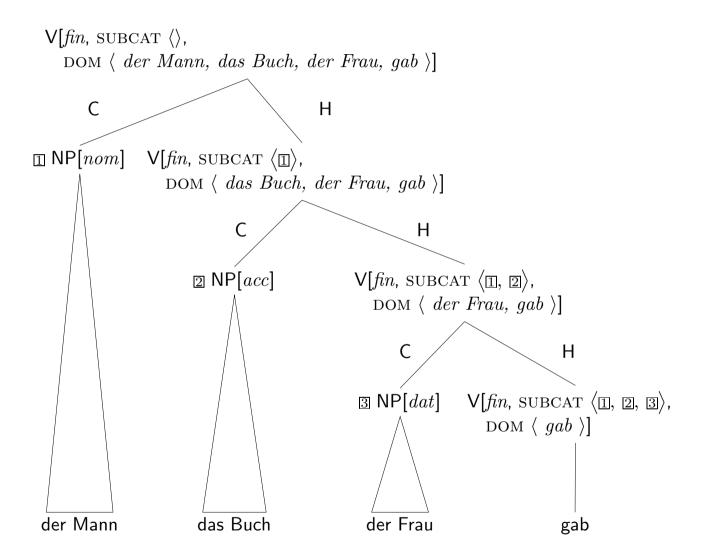
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m DOM}$  are ordered according to their surface order ightarrow

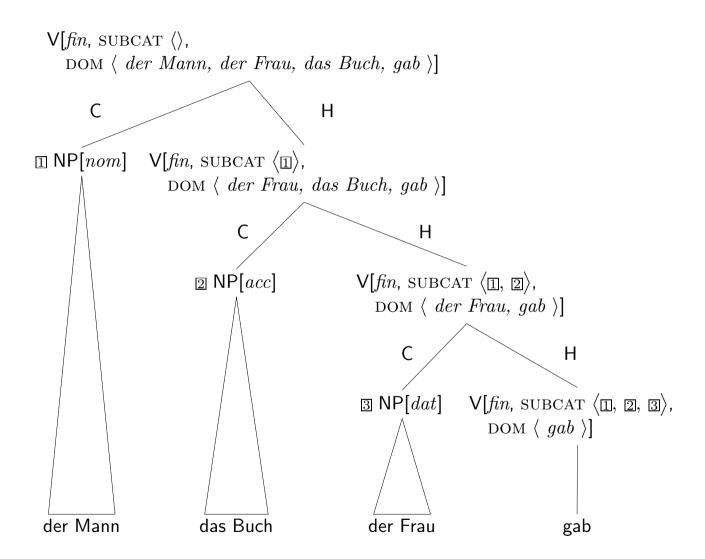
The PHON value of the mother is the concatenation of the PHON values of the domain elements.

$$phrasal\text{-}sign \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} PHON \, \boxed{1} \oplus \ldots \oplus \boxed{m} \\ DOM & \left\langle \begin{bmatrix} PHON \, \boxed{1} \\ sign \end{bmatrix}, \ldots, \begin{bmatrix} PHON \, \boxed{m} \\ sign \end{bmatrix} \right\rangle \end{bmatrix}$$

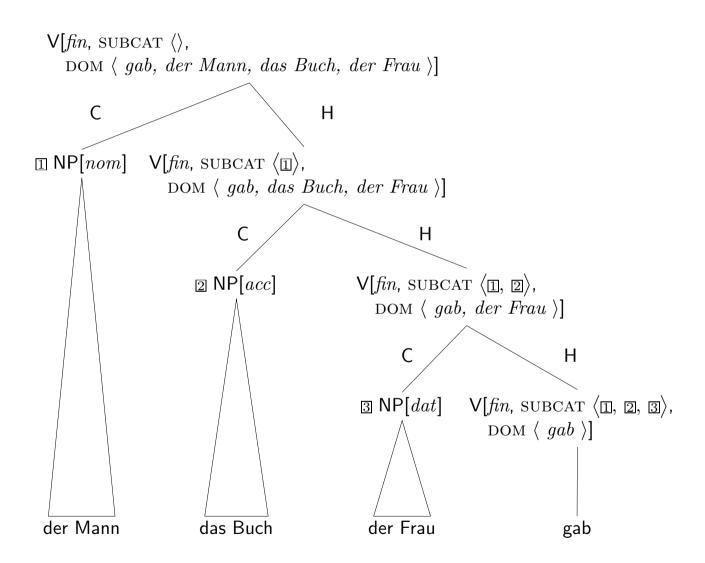
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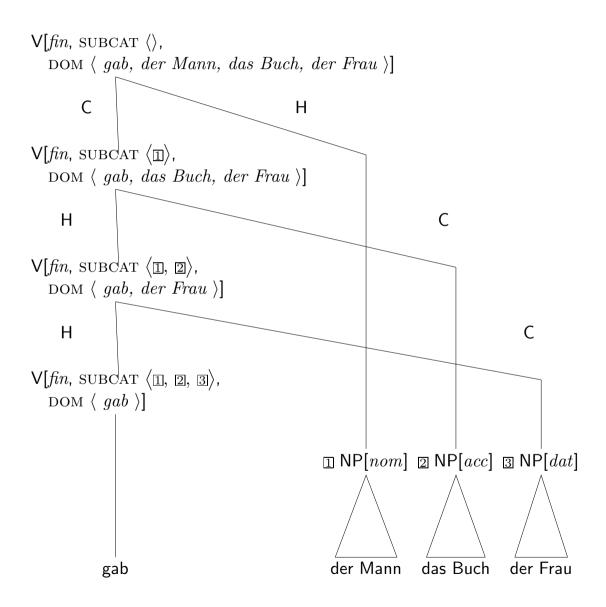
#### **Example: Discontinuous Constituents / Permutation of NPs**



#### **Example: Discontinuous Constituents / Verb Placement**



#### Verb Placement with Leaves in Surface Order



## A Remark

- The dominance structures for all sentences in (38) are the same:
  - (38) a. der Mann der Frau das Buch gab.
    - b. der Mann das Buch der Frau gab.
    - c. Gab der Mann das Buch der Frau.
- Only the serialization of the elements in the order domains differs.

### Discontinuous Constituents and the Predicate Complex

- Both sentences have the same dominance structure:
  - (39) a. weil es ihm jemand zu lesen versprochen hat. because  $it_{acc}$  him $_{dat}$  somebody $_{nom}$  to read promised has 'because somebody promised him to read it.'
    - b. Hat es ihm jemand zu lesen versprochen? has  $it_{acc}$  him $_{dat}$  somebody $_{nom}$  to read promised 'Did somebody promise him to read it?'

In both sentences we combine hat and zu lesen versprochen first.

 $\rightarrow$  We know what further arguments we are looking for.

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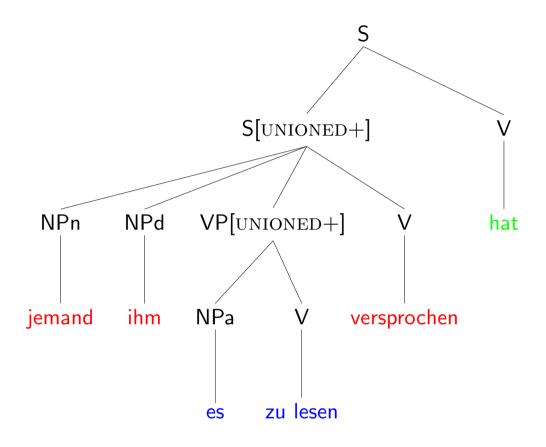
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# **Example: Domain Union**



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Raising verbs allow for the embedding of subjectless verbs and of verbs taking a subject:

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According to Reape the subject is combined with the embedded verb:

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(But see Meurers, 2000 for the suggestion to project information about subjects.)

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See also Müller, 2002, Chapter 2.3.2.

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### **Argument Attraction vs. Domain Union: Dative Passive**

Kathol (1998): Reape's analysis excludes analyses of the dative passive in which the auxiliary does the change in valence structure.

- (46) a. Der Mann hat den Ball dem Jungen geschenkt. the  $man_{nom}$  has the  $ball_{acc}$  the  $boy_{dat}$  given 'The man gave the ball to the boy.'
  - b. Der Junge bekam den Ball geschenkt. the boy $_{nom}$  got the ball $_{acc}$  given 'The boy got the ball as a present.'

In argument attraction approaches, bekommen can attract the arguments of the embedded verb and realize the dative object as its subject.

This is excluded in Reape's approach.

One needs diacritics to distinguish the different lexical items of the various participle forms (perfect, accusative passive, dative passive).

#### Outline

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# CFG Parsing: The Cocke Younger Kasami Algorithm

- Grammar has to be in Chomsky Normal Form (CNF), only
  - RHS with a single terminal:  $A \rightarrow a$
  - RHS with two non-terminals:  $A \rightarrow BC$
  - no  $\epsilon$  rules  $(A \rightarrow \epsilon)$
- A representation of the string showing positions and word indices:

$$\cdot_0 \ w_1 \cdot_1 \ w_2 \cdot_2 \ w_3 \cdot_3 \ w_4 \cdot_4 \ w_5 \cdot_5 \ w_6 \cdot_6$$

For example:  $\cdot_0$  the  $\cdot_1$  young  $\cdot_2$  boy  $\cdot_3$  saw  $\cdot_4$  the  $\cdot_5$  dragon  $\cdot_6$ 

### The Chart

- The well-formed substring table, henceforth (passive) chart, for a string of length n is an  $n \times n$  matrix.
- The field (i,j) of the chart encodes the set of all categories of constituents that start at position i and end at position j, i.e.  $chart(i,j) = \{A \mid A \Rightarrow^* w_{i+1} \dots w_j\}$
- The matrix is triangular since no constituent ends before it starts.

# Coverage Represented in the Chart

An input sentence with 6 words:

$$\cdot_0$$
  $w_1$   $\cdot_1$   $w_2$   $\cdot_2$   $w_3$   $\cdot_3$   $w_4$   $\cdot_4$   $w_5$   $\cdot_5$   $w_6$   $\cdot_6$ 

Coverage represented in the chart:

	TO:						
		1	2	3	4	5	6
FROM:	0	0–1	0–2	0–3	0–4	0–5	0–6
	1		1–2	1–3	1–4	1–5	1–6
	2			2–3	2–4	2–5	2–6
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	5						5–6

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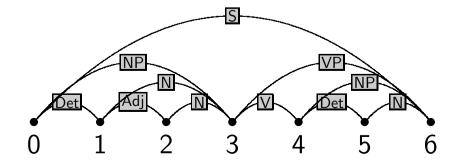
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2			$\{N\}$	{}	{}	{}
3				{V, N}	{}	{VP}
4					$\{Det\}$	{NP}
5						{N}



#### **Grammar:**

 $\mathsf{S} \to \mathsf{NP} \; \mathsf{VP}$ 

 $VP \, \to \, Vt \, \, NP$ 

 $NP \rightarrow Det N$ 

 $N \to Adj N$ 

 $Vt\,\to\,\text{saw}$ 

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 $N \, \to \, dragon$ 

 $N \rightarrow boy$ 

 $N \to saw$ 

 $\mathsf{Adj} \to \mathsf{young}$ 

# Filling in the Chart

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	1	2	3	4	5	6
0	1	3	6			
1		2	5	9		
2			4	8		
3				7		
4						
5						

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	1	2	3	4	5	6
0	1	3	6	10		
1		2	5	9		
2			4	8		
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5						

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	1	2	3	4	5	6
0	1	3	6	10	<b>15</b>	
1		2	5	9	14	
2			4	8	13	
3				7	12	
4					11	
5						

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0	1	3	6	10	<b>15</b>	
1		2	5	9	14	
2			4	8	13	
3				7	12	
4					11	
5						16

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1		2	5	9	14	
2			4	8	13	
3				7	12	
4					11	17
5						16

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0	1	3	6	10	<b>15</b>	
1		2	5	9	14	
2			4	8	13	
3				7	12	18
4					11	17
5						16

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0	1	3	6	10	<b>15</b>	
1		2	5	9	14	
2			4	8	13	19
3				7	12	18
4					11	17
5						<b>16</b>

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1		2	5	9	14	20
2			4	8	13	19
3				7	12	18
4					11	17
5						<b>16</b>

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1		2	5	9	14	20
2			4	8	13	19
3				7	12	18
4					11	17
5						16

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# lexical\_chart\_fill(j-1,j)

- Idea: Lexical lookup. Fill the field (j-1,j) in the chart with the preterminal category dominating word j.
- Realized as:

$$chart(j-1,j) := \{ X \mid X \to \mathsf{word}_j \in \mathsf{P} \}$$

### syntactic\_chart\_fill(i,j)

• Idea: Perform all reduction step using syntactic rules such that the reduced symbol covers the string from i to j.

$$\bullet \text{ Realized as: } chart(i,j) = \begin{cases} A & \exists BC \in P, \\ i < k < j, \\ B \in chart(i,k), \\ C \in chart(k,j) \end{cases}$$

ullet Explicit loops over every possible value of k and every context free rule:

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\begin{array}{l} chart(i,j) := \{\}. \\ \text{for } k := i+1 \text{ to } j-1 \\ \text{ for every } A \to BC \in P \\ \text{ if } B \in chart(i,k) \text{ and } C \in chart(k,j) \text{ then } \\ chart(i,j) := chart(i,j) \cup \{\mathsf{A}\}. \end{array}
```

#### The Complete CYK Algorithm

Input: start category S and input string

```
\begin{split} n := \mathsf{length}(string) \\ & \text{for } j := 1 \text{ to } n \\ & chart(j-1,j) := \{\mathsf{X} \mid \mathsf{X} \to \mathsf{word}_j \in \mathsf{P}\} \\ & \text{for } i := j-2 \text{ down to } 0 \\ & chart(i,j) := \{\} \\ & \text{for } k := i+1 \text{ to } j-1 \\ & \text{for every } A \to BC \in P \\ & \text{if } B \in chart(i,k) \text{ and } C \in chart(k,j) \text{ then } \\ & chart(i,j) := chart(i,j) \cup \{\mathsf{A}\} \end{split}
```

Output: if  $S \in chart(0, n)$  then accept else reject

Lexical Entry: the

$$(j=1)$$
, field chart $(0,1)$ 

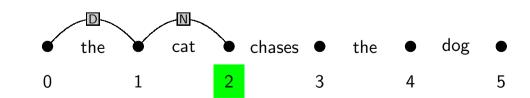
	1	2	3	4	5
0	d				
1					
2					
3					
4					



Lexical Entry: cat

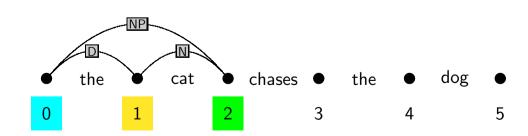
(j=2], field chart(1,2)

	1	2	3	4	5
0	d				
1		n			
2					
3					
4					·



j = 2
i = 0
k = 1

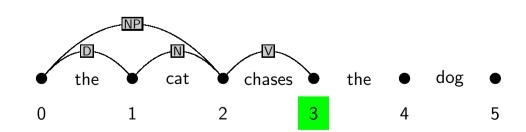
	1	2	3	4	5
0	d	np			
1		n			
2					
3					
4					



Lexical Entry: chases

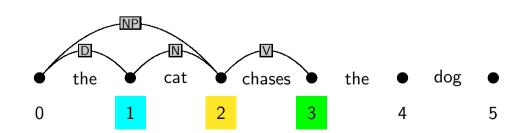
(j = 3), field chart(2,3)

	1	2	3	4	5
0	d	np			
1		n			
2			V		
3					
4					



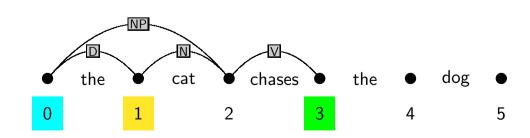
j = 3
i = 1
k = 2

	1	2		3	4	5
0	d	np				
1		n				
2				V		
3						
4						



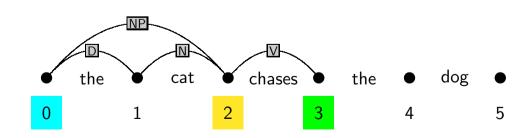
j = 3	
i = 0	
k = 1	

	1	2	3	4	5
0	d	np			
1		n			
2			V		
3					
4					



j = 3
i = 0
k = 2

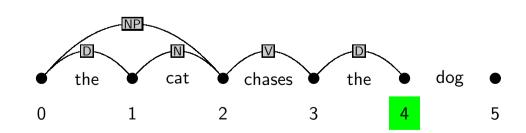
	1	2		3	4	5
0	d	np				
1		n				
2				V		
3						
4						



Lexical Entry: the

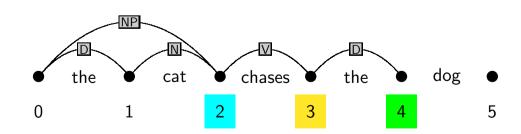
(j = 4), field chart(3,4)

	1	2	3	4	5
0	d	np			
1		n			
2			٧		
3				d	
4					



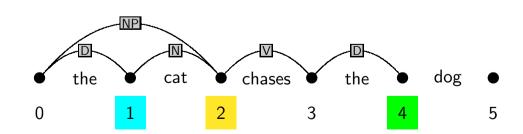
j = 4
i = 2
k = 3

	1	2	3	4	5
0	d	np			
1		n			
2			>		
3				d	
4					



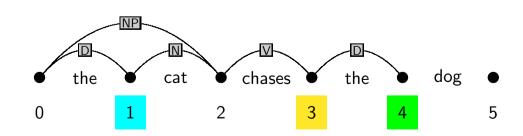
j = 4
i = 1
k = 2

	1	2	3	4	5
0	d	np			
1		n			
2			V		
3				d	
4					



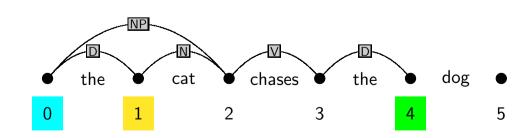
j = 4
i = 1
k = 3

	1	2	3		4	5
0	d	np				
1		n				
2			V			
3					d	
4						

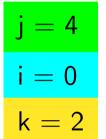


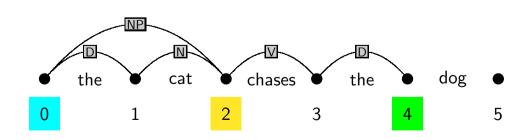
j = 4	
i = 0	
k = 1	

	1	2	3	4	5
0	d	np			
1		n			
2			V		
3				d	
4					



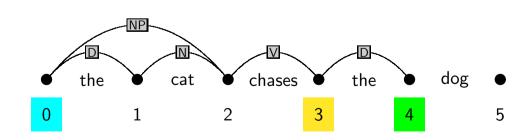
	1	2	3	4	5
0	d	np			
1		n			
2			V		
3				d	





j = 4	
i = 0	
k = 3	

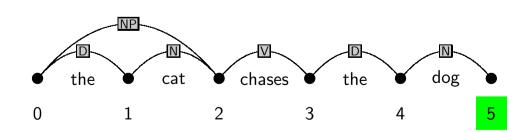
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0	d	np				
1		n				
2			V			
3					d	
4						



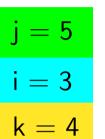
Lexical Entry: dog

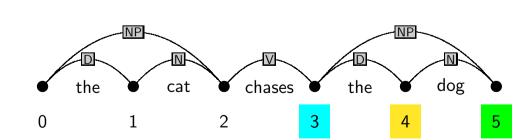
$$(j = 5)$$
, field chart $(4,5)$ 

	1	2	3	4	5
0	d	np			
1		n			
2			V		
3				d	
4					n



		-	-		
	1	2	3	4	5
0	d	np			
1		n			
2			V		
3				d	np
4					n

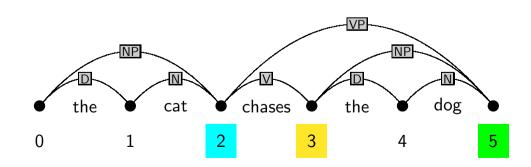




$$s \rightarrow np \ vp \qquad d \rightarrow the$$
 $np \rightarrow d \ n \qquad n \rightarrow dog$ 
 $vp \rightarrow v \ np \qquad n \rightarrow cat$ 
 $v \rightarrow chases$ 

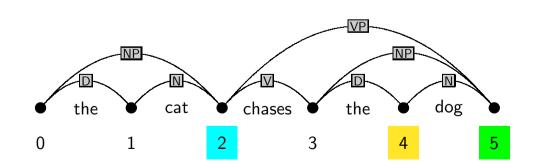
$s \rightarrow np vp$	a  o tne	J = 5
$np \rightarrow d n$	$n \to dog$	i = 2
$vp \rightarrow v np$	n  o cat	
	$v \rightarrow chases$	k = 3

	1	2	3	4	5	
0	d	np				
1		n				
2			V		vp	
3				d	np	
4					n	



j = 5
i = 2
k = 4

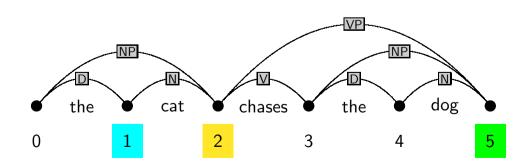
	1	2	3	4	5
0	d	np			
1		n			
2			V		vp
3				d	np
4					n



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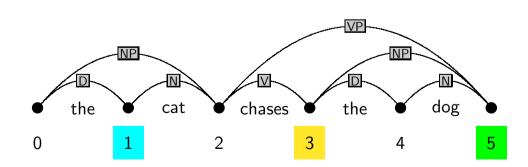
	) O
$n \to dog$	i = 1
$n \rightarrow cat$	
$v \rightarrow chases$	k = 2

	1	2	3	4	5
0	d	np			
1		n			
2			V		vp
3				d	np
4					n

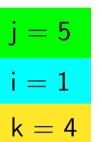


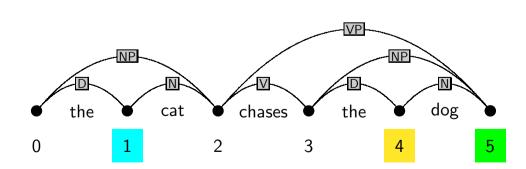
j = 5
i = 1
k = 3

	1	2	3	4	5	
0	d	np				
1		n				
2			V		vp	
3				d	np	
4					n	



	1	2	3	4	5
0	d	np			
1		n			
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4					n





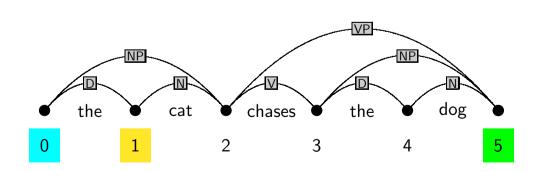
	1	2	3	4	5
0	d	np			
1		n			
2			V		qv

d

np

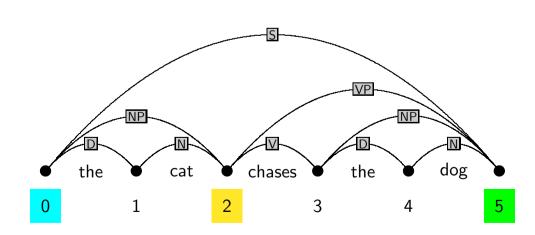
n





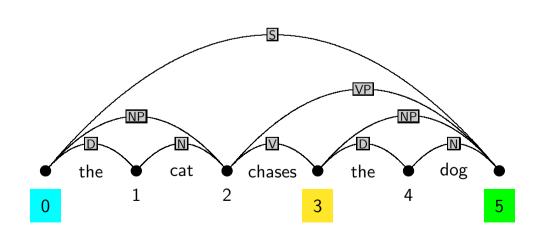
j = 5	
i = 0	
k = 2	

		1	2	3	4	5	
$\Box$	0	d	np			S	
	1		n				
	2			٧		vp	
	3				d	np	
	4					n	



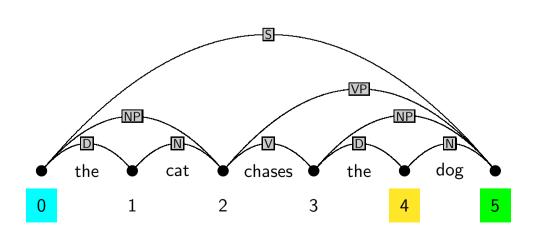
j = 5	
i = 0	
k = 3	

	1	2	3	4	5	
0	d	np			S	
1		n				
2			V		vp	
3				d	np	
4					n	



$$j = 5$$
 $i = 0$ 
 $k = 4$ 

	1	2	3	4	5
0	d	np			S
1		n			
2			٧		vp
3				d	np
4					n



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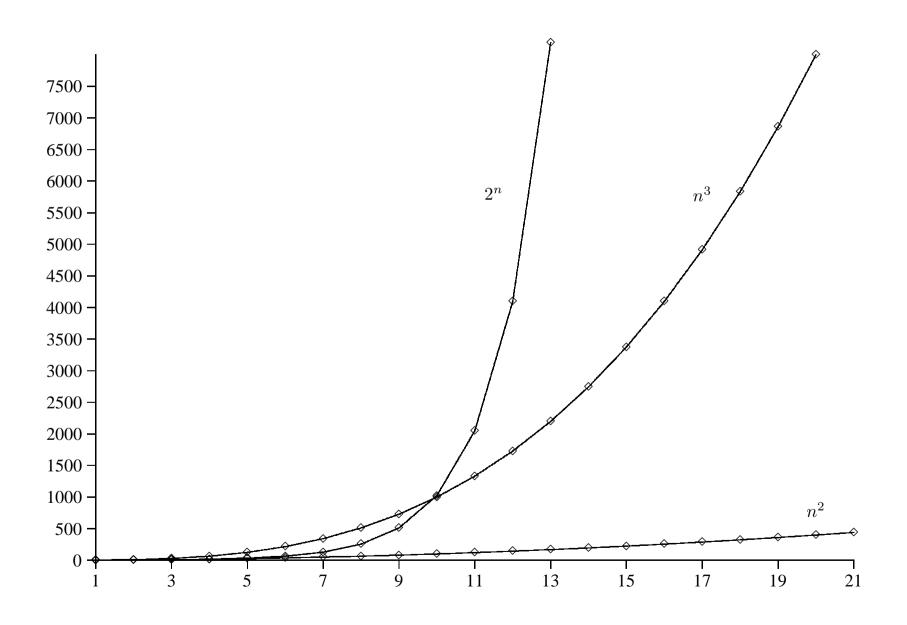
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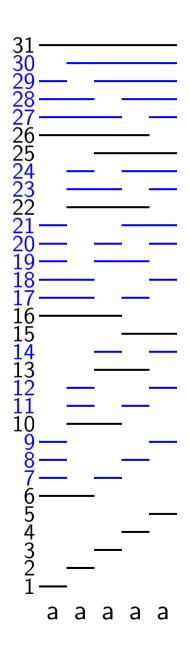


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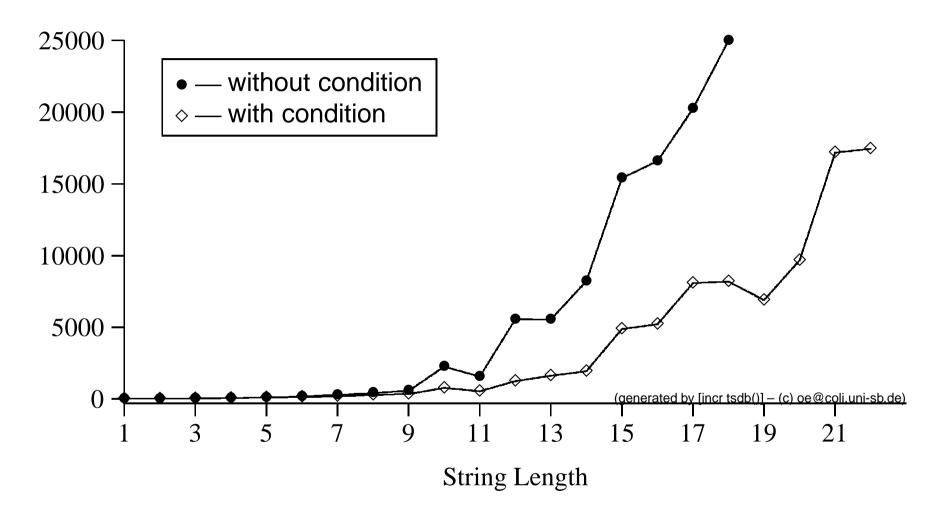
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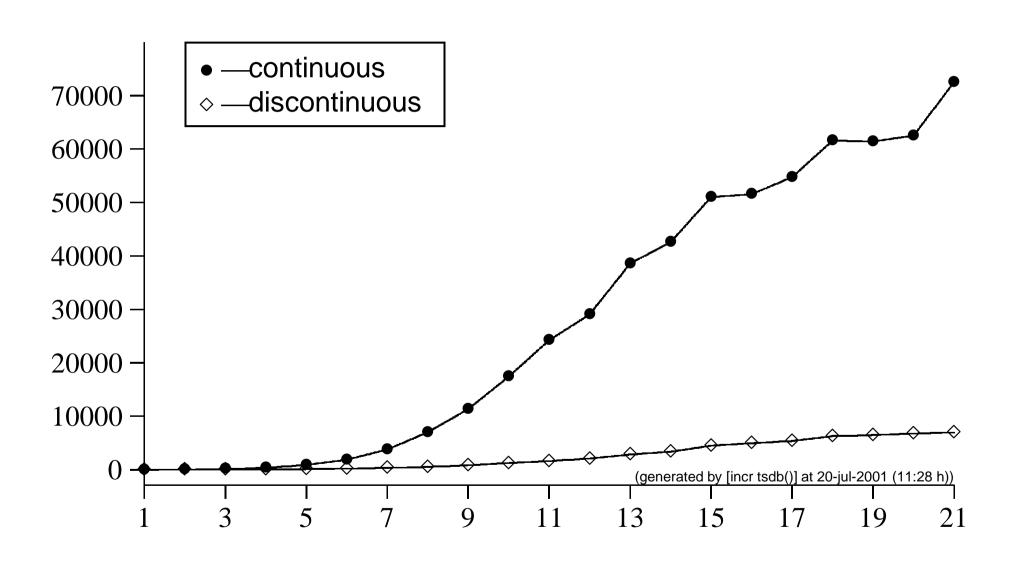
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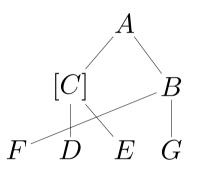
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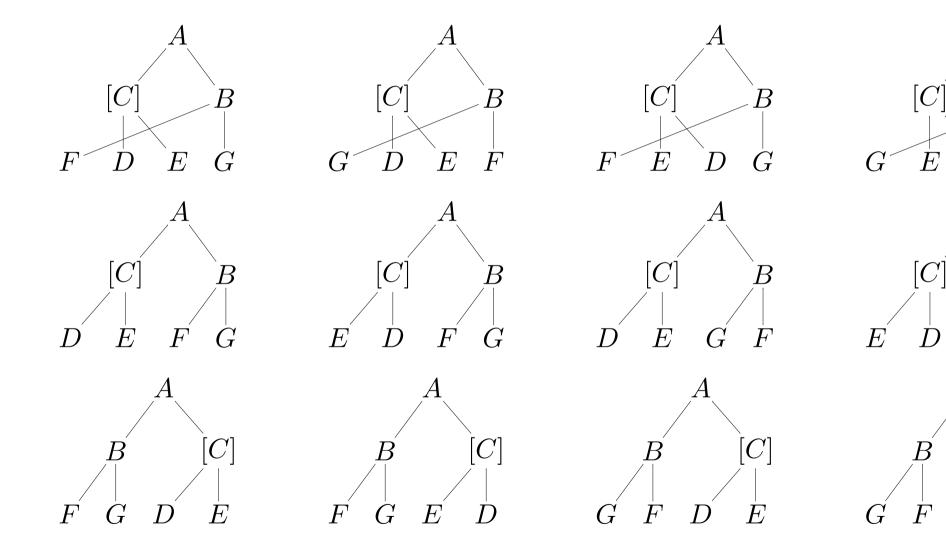
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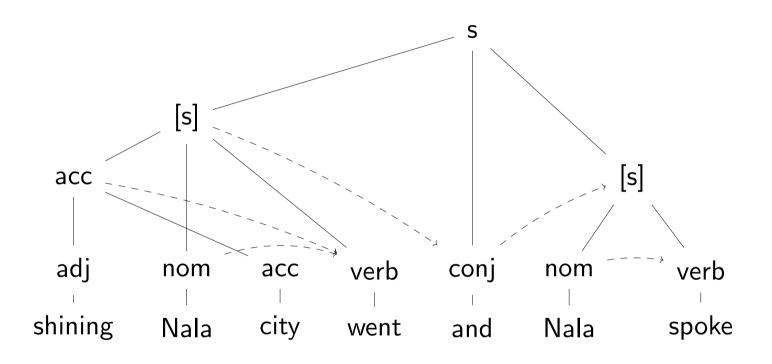
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       \mathsf{conj} 	o \mathit{caiva} 'and then'
8
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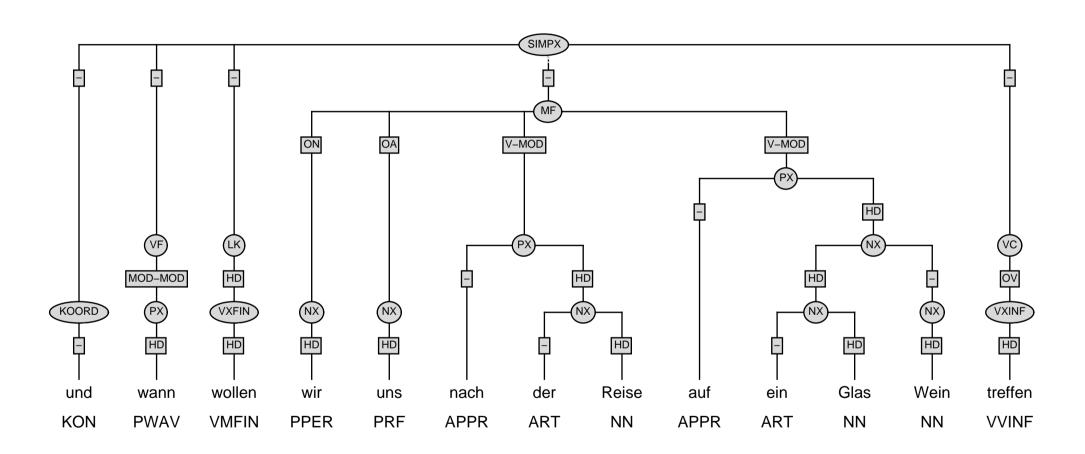
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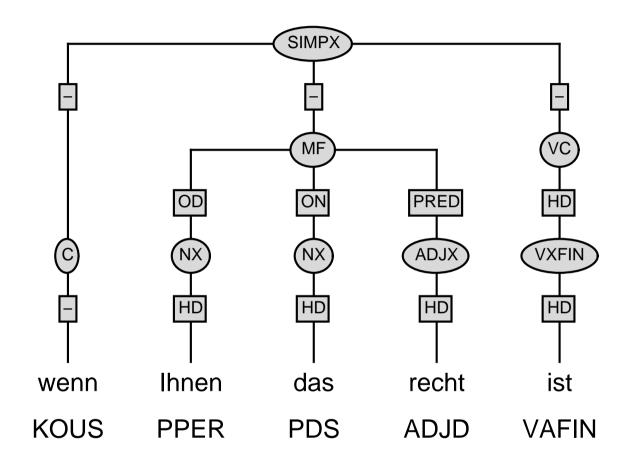
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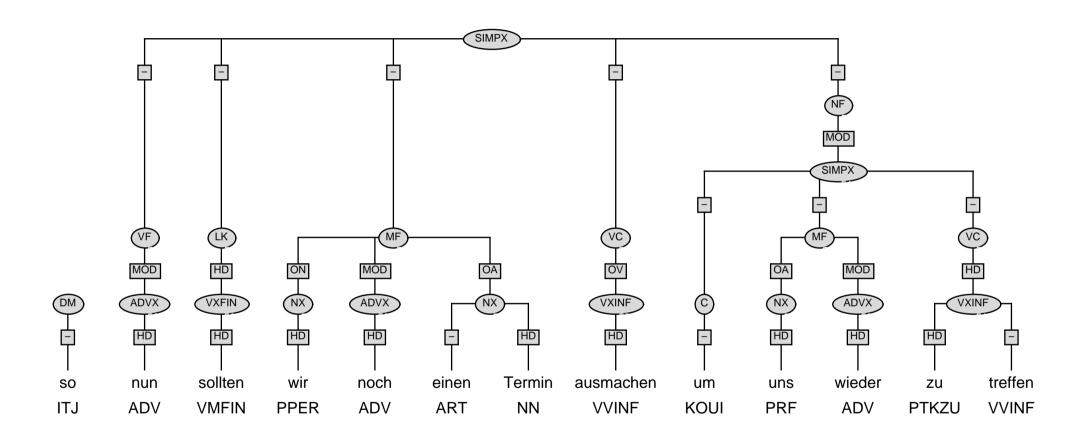
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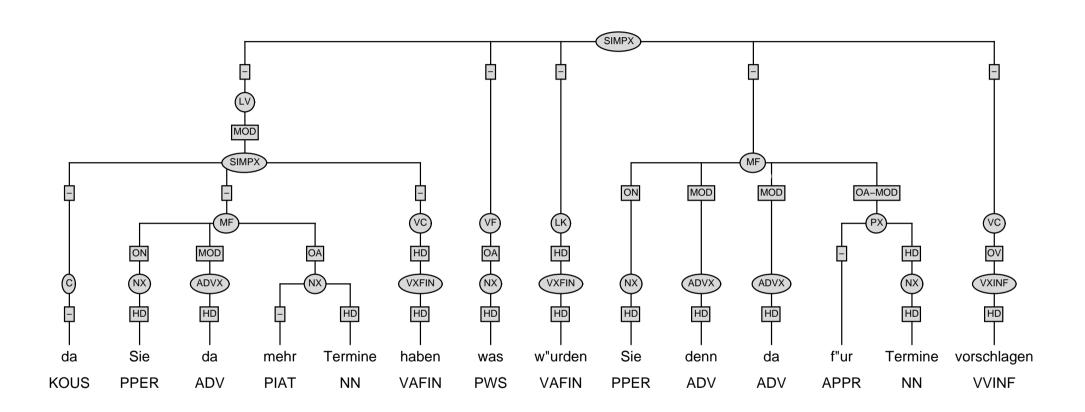
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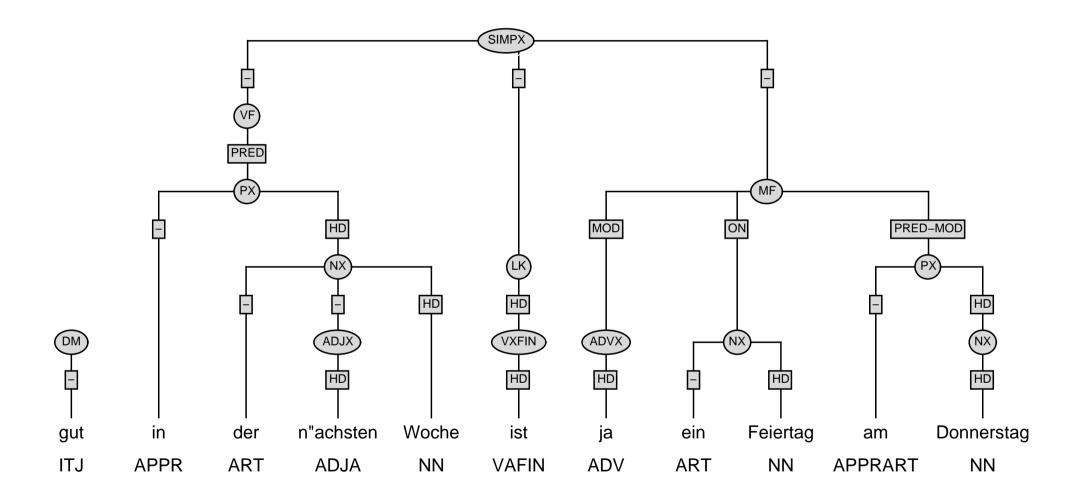
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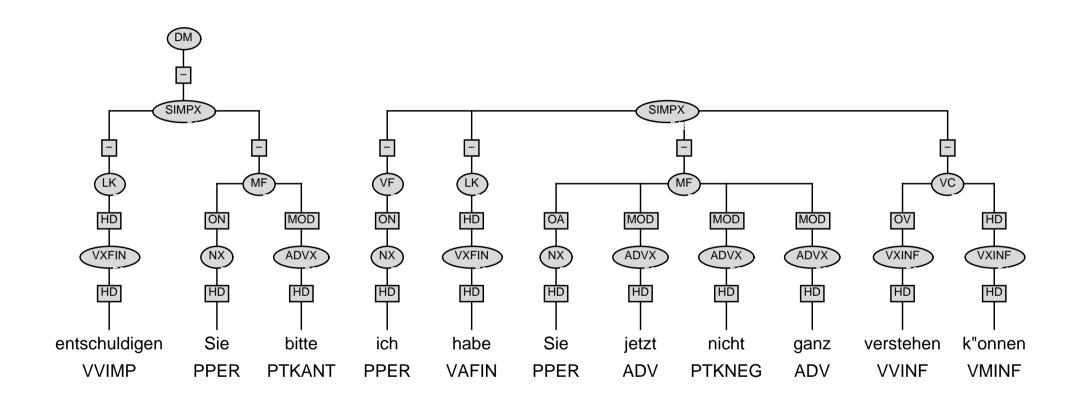
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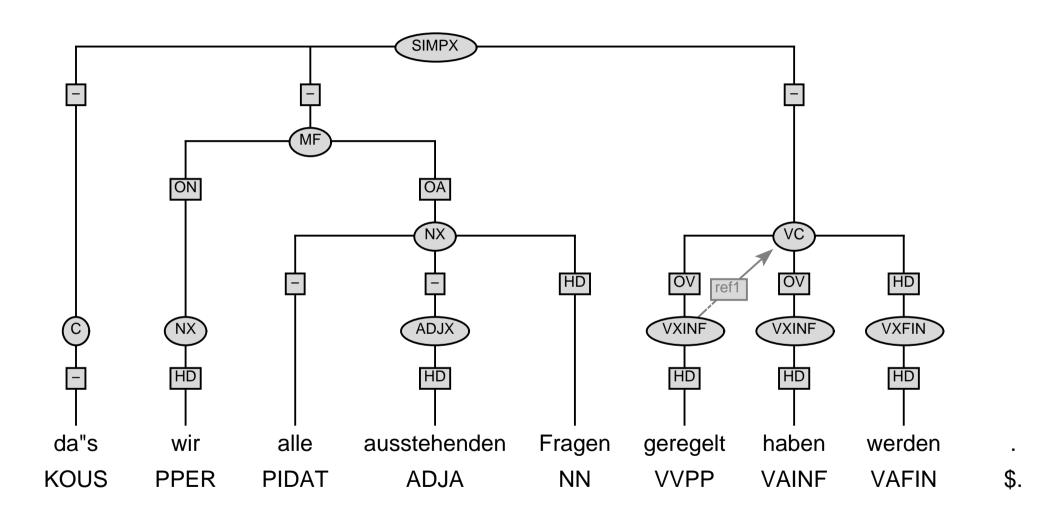
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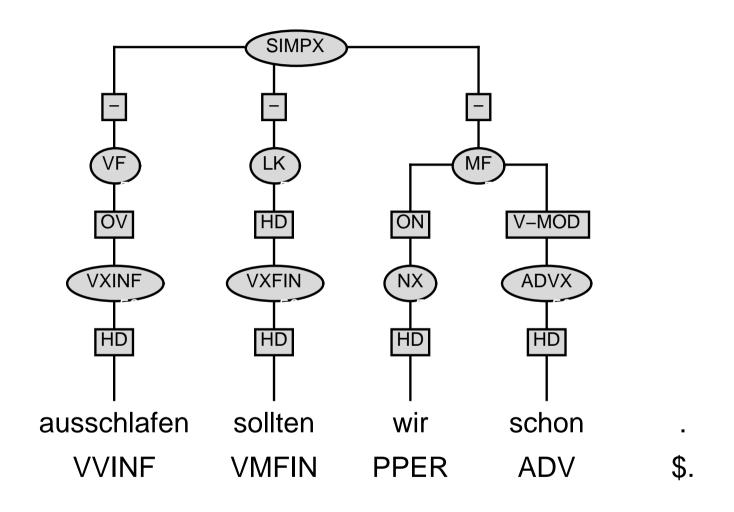
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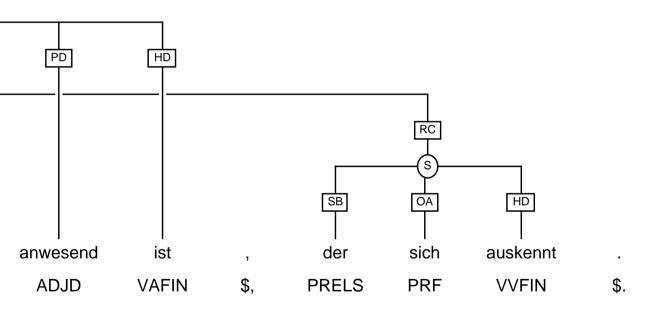
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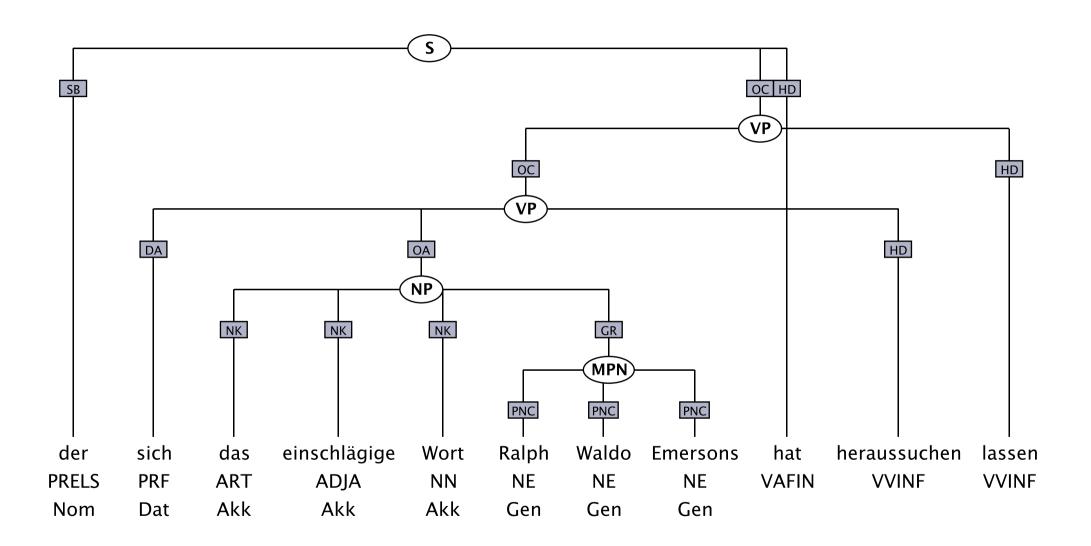
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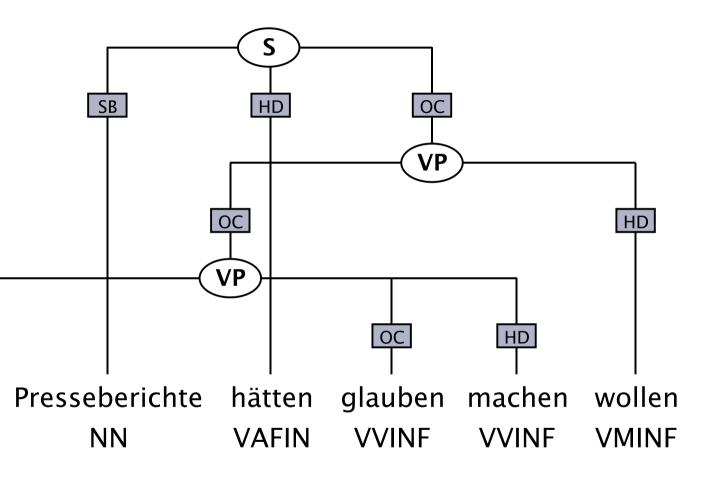
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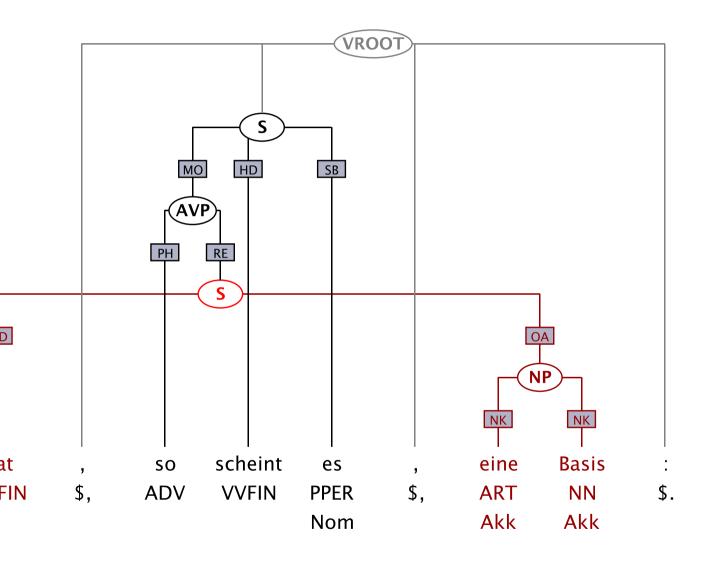
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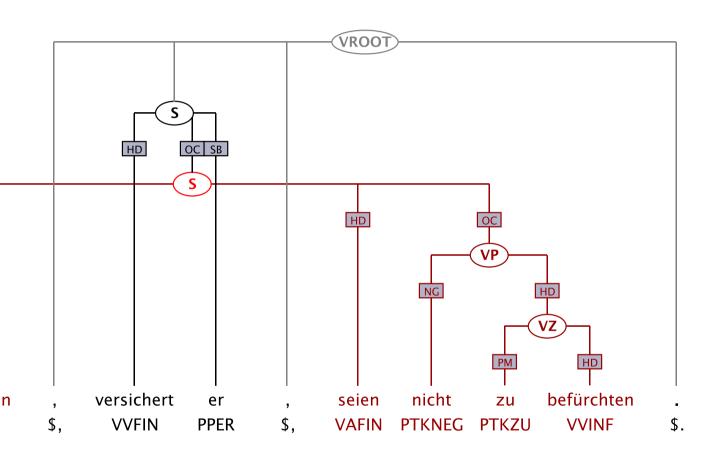
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- extraposition is a nonlocal dependency, although this is often denied (for instance by Jacobson (1987), Grewendorf (1988), Haider (1996), and Rohrer (1996)):
- (60) a. Karl hat mir [ein Bild [einer Frau  $\__i$ ]] gegeben, [die schon lange tot ist] $_i$ .

  'Karl gave me a picture of a woman who has been dead for a long time.'
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  - c. Karl hat mir [eine Kopie [einer Fälschung [des Bildes [einer Frau  $_{-i}$ ]]]] gegeben, [die schon lange tot ist]<sub>i</sub>.
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- (62a) has two readings, (62b) only one (if we assume that one does not read records).

### Extraposition is a Nonlocal Dependency (III)

Some treat relative clause extraposition as adjunction + coreference, but complement extraposition is possible as well. One needs to obey subcategorizational requirements.

Examples from (Müller, 1999a, p. 206):

- (63) a. Ich habe [von [der Vermutung  $_{-i}$ ]] gehört, [daß es Zahlen gibt, die die folgenden Bedingungen erfüllen] $_i$ .
  - 'I have heard of the assumption that there are numbers for which the following conditions hold.'
  - b. Ich habe [von [einem Beweis [der Vermutung  $_{-i}$ ]]] gehört, [daß es Zahlen gibt, die die folgenden Bedingungen erfüllen] $_i$ .
    - 'I have heard of a proof of the assumption that there are numbers for which the following conditions hold.'
  - c. Ich habe [von [dem Versuch [eines Beweises [der Vermutung  $_{-i}$ ]]]] gehört, [daß es Zahlen gibt, die die folgenden Bedingungen erfüllen] $_i$ .
    - 'I have heard of the attempt to prove the assumption that there are numbers for which the following conditions hold.'

### Extraposition is a Nonlocal Dependency (III)

#### A corpus example:

(64) Für das Volk der Deutschen Demokratischen Republik ist dabei [die einmütige Bekräftigung [der Auffassung  $_{-i}$ ]] wichtig, [daß es die Interessen des Friedens und der Sicherheit erfordern, daß alle Staaten gleichberechtigte Beziehungen auf völkerrechtlicher Grundlage zur Deutschen Demokratischen Republik aufnehmen und die bestehenden europäischen Staatsgrenzen einschließlich der Oder-Neiße-Grenze als endgültig und unantastbar anerkennen.] $_i$  (Neues Deutschland, 06.12.1969, p. 1)

'The unanimous confirmation of the opinion that the interests of peace and security require that all countries establish relationships to the German Democratic Republic on the basis of international law and that all countries accept the existing state borders including the Oder Neiße border as final and inviolable is important for the people of the German Democratic Republic.'

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- Kathol and Pollard (1995) suggested a treatment of extraposition via constituent order domains.
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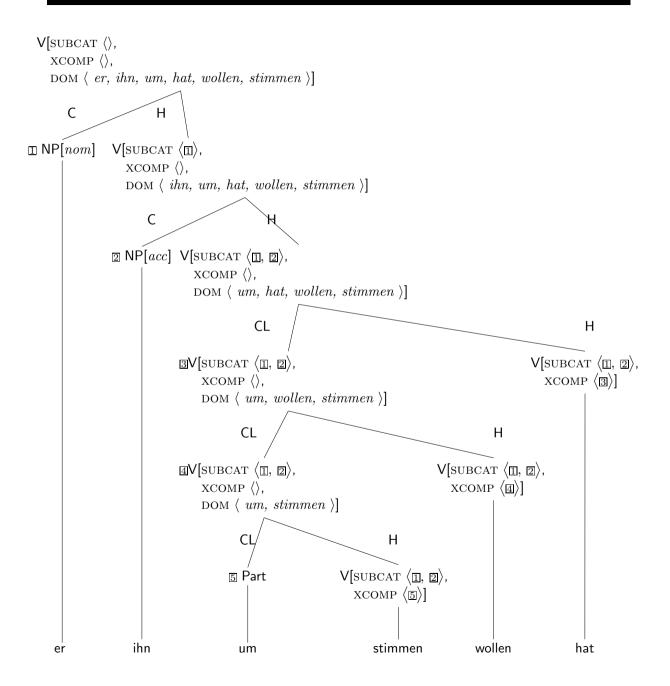
## Particle Verbs in German Dialects (and Dutch)

Werner (1994, p. 356): examples spoken in the northwest of Sonneberg/Thuringia:

- (65) a. a . . . hot aa ze schimpfm gfanga he has PART to get.angry caught 'He started to get angry.'
  - b. die ham . . . auf zu arwettn ghört they have PART to work heard 'They stopped working.'
  - c. ham sa groud aa mit assn gfanga have they just PART with eat caught 'Did they just start to eat?'
- (66) weil er ihn um hat wollen stimmen. because he him PART has want.to tune 'because he wanted to change his mind.'

With order domains we can have a structured verbal complex but a discontinuous serialization of the particle.

#### Particle Verbs: An Example Analysis



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