

Compositional Models of Vector-based Semantics: From Theory to Tractable Implementation

Day 3. Refining the type logic

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Plan

- ▶ The Return of the Lambdas
 - λ encodings of string semantics and vector-based interpretation
- ▶ Diamonds forever
 - enhancing type logic with modalities $\{\diamond_j, \square_j\}_{j \in J}$
 - ▷ modalities for structural control
 - ▷ modalities encoding dependency info
- ▶ Discussion: rethinking constituency

Paving the way for implementation and empirical evaluation of \rightsquigarrow Day 4, Day 5.

Preamble. The Return of the Lambdas

Recall the unpacking of lexical semantics for the e, t based interpretation:

We write AB for $A \multimap B$

WORD	SYN TYPE	$[\cdot]$	SEM TYPE
paper	n	PAPER	et
that	$(n \setminus n) / (s / np)$	$\lambda x \lambda y \lambda^! z. ((y z) \wedge (x z))$	$(et)(et)!et$
Bob	np	BOB	e
rejected	$(np \setminus s) / np$	REJECTED	eet

$$\begin{aligned}
 [M] &= (([\text{that}] \lambda x. (([\text{rejected}] x) [\text{Bob}])) [\text{paper}]) \\
 &= \lambda x. ((\text{PAPER } x) \wedge ((\text{REJECTED } x) \text{BOB}))
 \end{aligned}$$

ACG, Lambda Grammars: λ calculus encoding of other interpretations:

- ▶ string semantics [de Groote and Pogodalla, 2004]
- ▶ vector semantics [Sadrzadeh and Muskens, 2018]

Lambdas for String Semantics

- ▶ Target signature: string as **function** type $* \multimap *$ (abbrev σ). Concatenation: composition; empty string: identity function.

$$+ := \lambda s r i . s(r(i)) \quad \epsilon := \lambda i . i$$

- ▶ type homomorphism: $\lceil A \rceil = \sigma$, for source atoms A .
- ▶ translating the constants:

WORD	SYN TYPE	$\lceil \cdot \rceil$	SEM TYPE
paper	n	paper	σ
that	$(n \setminus n) / (s / np)$	$\lambda Z s . s + \mathbf{that} + (Z \epsilon)$	$(\sigma \sigma) \sigma \sigma$
Bob	np	Bob	σ
rejected	$(np \setminus s) / np$	$\lambda s r . r + \mathbf{rejected} + s$	$\sigma \sigma \sigma$

$$\begin{aligned} \lceil M \rceil &= (((\lceil \mathbf{that} \rceil \lambda x . ((\lceil \mathbf{rejected} \rceil x) \lceil \mathbf{Bob} \rceil)) \lceil \mathbf{paper} \rceil)) : \sigma \\ &= \mathbf{paper} + \mathbf{that} + \mathbf{Bob} + \mathbf{rejected} \end{aligned}$$

ACG refined Chomsky hierarchy via type homomorphisms of growing complexity.

Lambdas for Vector Semantics

- ▶ Target signature. I : index set; R : reals \mathbb{R} . Vectors: IR , rank n tensors $I^n R$ (curried). $M := I^2 R$, $C := I^3 R$, etc. Defined operations e.g.

$$\begin{aligned} \odot & := \lambda v u i. v_i \cdot u_i && VVV \\ \times_1 & := \lambda m v i. \sum_j m_{ij} \cdot v_j && MVV \\ \times_2 & := \lambda c v i j. \sum_k c_{ijk} \cdot v_k && CVM \end{aligned}$$

- ▶ type homomorphism: $\llbracket A \rrbracket = V$ for source atoms A .
- ▶ translating the constants: $\llbracket \text{paper} \rrbracket = \text{paper}$, $\llbracket \text{Bob} \rrbracket = \text{Bob}$ (vectors),

WORD	SYN TYPE	$\llbracket \cdot \rrbracket$	SEM TYPE
rejected	$(np \setminus s) / np$	$\lambda u v. (\text{rejected} \times_2 u) \times_1 v$	VVV
that	$(n \setminus n) / (s / np)$	$\lambda Z v. \dots$	$(VV)VV$

$$\begin{aligned} \llbracket M \rrbracket & = (((\llbracket \text{that} \rrbracket \lambda x. ((\llbracket \text{rejected} \rrbracket x) \llbracket \text{Bob} \rrbracket))) \llbracket \text{paper} \rrbracket) : V \\ ? & \text{ paper} \odot \tau_i \sum_j (\text{rejected}_{ijk} \cdot \text{Bob}_j) \end{aligned}$$

Proper recipe for 'that': exercise ...

Interpretation homomorphism: summary

Types source & target signatures have their own atomic types, operations

- ▶ each (source/target) type is associated with a denotation domain/semantic space
- ▶ $[\cdot]$ maps source **atoms** to target **types**, possibly non-atomic

Terms source & target signatures come with their own typed constants

- ▶ $[\cdot]$ maps source **constants** to target **terms**, possibly complex
- ▶ $[\cdot]$ respects types: source constant c^A is mapped to target term $M^{[A]}$

Opportunities? lifting the dimensionality curse, e.g. **intersective** adjectives:

WORD	SYN TYPE	$[\cdot]$	SEM TYPE
car	n	car	V
red	n/n	$\lambda v. \text{red}^V \odot v$	VV

Enhancing type logics with modalities

Why?

The Need for Control

- ▶ languages exhibit phenomena that seem to require some form of reordering, restructuring, copying
- ▶ global structural options are problematic
 - too little (undergeneration), too much (overgeneration)
- ▶ extended type language with operations for structural control:
 - ▷ **licensing** structural reasoning that is lacking by default
 - ▷ **blocking** structural reasoning that would otherwise be available

Source reference [Kurtonina and Moortgat, 1997]

Associativity: too little

$$\frac{\frac{\frac{\text{what}}{np/(s/np)}}{\text{Maisie}} \quad \frac{\frac{\frac{\text{knew}}{(np \setminus s)/np} \quad np \vdash np^1}{\text{knew} \cdot np \vdash np \setminus s} /E}{\text{Maisie} \cdot (\text{knew} \cdot np) \vdash s} \setminus E}{(\text{Maisie} \cdot \text{knew}) \cdot np \vdash s} A^r}{\text{Maisie} \cdot \text{knew} \vdash s/np} /I^1}{\text{what} \cdot (\text{Maisie} \cdot \text{knew}) \vdash np} /E$$

Compare

- ▶ what Maisie knew \perp

position of the hypothesis reachable thanks to A^r (right rotation)



- ▶ what Maisie knew \perp about her parents

too little: A^r doesn't give access to an internal gap



Associativity: too much

Locality constraint himself :: $((np \setminus s) / np) \setminus (np^{\sigma} \setminus s)$, herself :: $((np \setminus s) / np) \setminus (np^{\tau} \setminus s)$

Alice hurt herself / *herself

Alice thinks Bob hurt *herself / herself

No way of distinguishing simple transitive verb $(np \setminus s) / np \neq$ string reducing to $(np \setminus s) / np$

$$\begin{array}{c}
 \text{Alice} \\
 \hline
 np^{\tau} \\
 \hline
 \text{thinks} \\
 \hline
 (np \setminus s) / s \\
 \hline
 \text{thinks} \cdot (Bob \cdot (hurt \cdot np)) \vdash np \setminus s \\
 \hline
 \text{thinks} \cdot ((Bob \cdot hurt) \cdot np) \vdash np \setminus s \quad A^r \\
 \hline
 (\text{thinks} \cdot (Bob \cdot hurt)) \cdot np \vdash np \setminus s \quad A^r \\
 \hline
 \text{thinks} \cdot (Bob \cdot hurt) \vdash (np \setminus s) / np \quad /I^1 \\
 \hline
 \text{thinks} \cdot (Bob \cdot hurt) \vdash (\text{thinks} \cdot (Bob \cdot hurt)) \cdot herself \vdash np^{\tau} \setminus s \quad \setminus E \\
 \hline
 \text{Alice} \cdot ((\text{thinks} \cdot (Bob \cdot hurt)) \cdot herself) \vdash s
 \end{array}$$

Modalities for structural control

- ▶ The type language is extended with a pair of unary connectives: \diamond, \square satisfying

$$\frac{\diamond A \longrightarrow B}{A \longrightarrow \square B}$$

- ▶ Logic: \diamond, \square form a residuated pair. One easily shows

compositions: $\diamond \square A \longrightarrow A$ (interior) $A \longrightarrow \square \diamond A$ (closure)

monotonicity: from $A \longrightarrow B$ infer $\diamond A \longrightarrow \diamond B, \square A \longrightarrow \square B$

- ▶ Structure: **global** rules $\rightsquigarrow \diamond$ controlled **restricted** versions, e.g.

$$A^\diamond : (A \bullet B) \bullet \diamond C \longrightarrow A \bullet (B \bullet \diamond C)$$

$$C^\diamond : (A \bullet B) \bullet \diamond C \longrightarrow (A \bullet \diamond C) \bullet B$$

Multimodal generalization families $\{\diamond_i, \square_i\}_{i \in I}$ for particular structural choices

Control operators: N.D. rules

Structures $\Gamma, \Delta ::= A \mid \langle \Gamma \rangle \mid \Gamma \cdot \Delta$

$$\frac{\langle \Gamma \rangle \vdash A}{\Gamma \vdash \Box A} \Box I \qquad \frac{\Gamma \vdash \Box A}{\langle \Gamma \rangle \vdash A} \Box E$$
$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash A}{\langle \Gamma \rangle \vdash \Diamond A} \Diamond I \qquad \frac{\Delta \vdash \Diamond A \quad \Gamma[\langle A \rangle] \vdash B}{\Gamma[\Delta] \vdash B} \Diamond E$$

Shorthand ($\Diamond E'$) if left premise of ($\Diamond E$) is an axiom:

$$\frac{\Gamma[\langle A \rangle] \vdash B}{\Gamma[\Diamond A] \vdash B} \Diamond E'$$

Control operators: terms

Terms: $M, N ::= x \mid \lambda x.M \mid MN \mid \nabla M \mid \Delta M \mid \blacktriangledown M \mid \blacktriangle M$

$$\frac{\langle \Gamma \rangle \vdash M : A}{\Gamma \vdash \blacktriangle M : \square A} \square I \qquad \frac{\Gamma \vdash M : \square A}{\langle \Gamma \rangle \vdash \blacktriangledown M : A} \square E$$
$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash M : A}{\langle \Gamma \rangle \vdash \Delta M : \diamond A} \diamond I \qquad \frac{\Delta \vdash M : \diamond A \quad \Gamma[\langle x : A \rangle] \vdash N : B}{\Gamma[\Delta] \vdash N[\nabla M/x] : B} \diamond E$$

Proof normalization: $\blacktriangledown \blacktriangle M = M$, $\blacktriangle \blacktriangledown M = M$; $\Delta \nabla M = M$, $\nabla \Delta M = M$

Interpretation We assume the role of the control modalities is restricted to the syntax:

$$\lceil \diamond A \rceil = \lceil \square A \rceil = \lceil A \rceil$$

But see [Correia et al., 2020] for a **quantum interpretation** of modalities for linguistic applications.

Controlled extraction: too little \rightsquigarrow just fine

$\diamond \square np$: 'moveable' np ; key-and-lock: contract $\diamond \square np$ to np , once in place.

$$\begin{array}{c}
 \text{found} \quad \frac{\square np \vdash \square np}{\langle \square np \rangle \vdash np} \square E \\
 \frac{(np \setminus s) / np \quad \langle \square np \rangle \vdash np}{\text{found} \cdot \langle \square np \rangle \vdash np \setminus s} /E \\
 \text{Alice} \quad \frac{\text{there} \quad \frac{\text{there} \quad (np \setminus s) \setminus (np \setminus s)}{\text{there} \vdash np \setminus s} \setminus E}{(\text{found} \cdot \langle \square np \rangle) \cdot \text{there} \vdash np \setminus s} \setminus E \\
 np \quad \frac{\text{Alice} \cdot ((\text{found} \cdot \langle \square np \rangle) \cdot \text{there}) \vdash s}{\text{Alice} \cdot ((\text{found} \cdot \text{there}) \cdot \langle \square np \rangle) \vdash s} C_{\diamond}^r \\
 \frac{\text{Alice} \cdot ((\text{found} \cdot \text{there}) \cdot \langle \square np \rangle) \vdash s}{(\text{Alice} \cdot (\text{found} \cdot \text{there})) \cdot \langle \square np \rangle \vdash s} A_{\diamond}^r \\
 \frac{(\text{Alice} \cdot (\text{found} \cdot \text{there})) \cdot \langle \square np \rangle \vdash s}{(\text{Alice} \cdot (\text{found} \cdot \text{there})) \cdot \diamond \square np \vdash s} \diamond E' \\
 \text{what} \quad \frac{(\text{Alice} \cdot (\text{found} \cdot \text{there})) \cdot \diamond \square np \vdash s}{\text{Alice} \cdot (\text{found} \cdot \text{there}) \vdash s / \diamond \square np} /I \\
 np / (s / \diamond \square np) \quad \frac{\text{Alice} \cdot (\text{found} \cdot \text{there}) \vdash s / \diamond \square np}{\text{what} \cdot (\text{Alice} \cdot (\text{found} \cdot \text{there})) \vdash np} /E
 \end{array}$$

A_{\diamond}^r : controlled Associativity, $(A \bullet B) \bullet \diamond C \longrightarrow A \bullet (B \bullet \diamond C)$

C_{\diamond}^r : controlled Commutativity, $(A \bullet B) \bullet \diamond C \longrightarrow (A \bullet \diamond C) \bullet B$

Your turn

Show that (*xright*) (with Δ non-empty) is a derived inference rule.

writing $!_x A$ for $\diamond \square A$

$$\frac{\Gamma[\Delta \cdot A] \vdash B}{\Gamma[\Delta] \vdash B / !_x A} \textit{xright}$$

(*xright*) telescopes a sequence of A_\diamond^r , C_\diamond^r structural steps flanked by / Intro and \diamond, \square Elim into a one-step inference rule:

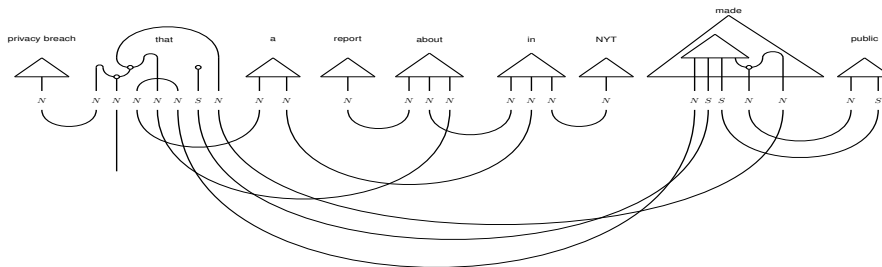
$$\frac{\text{Alice } np \quad \frac{\frac{\text{found} \quad \frac{}{np \vdash np}}{(np \setminus s) / np} \quad /E \quad \text{there} \quad (np \setminus s) \setminus (np \setminus s)}{\text{found} \cdot np \vdash np \setminus s} \quad \setminus E}{\text{found} \cdot np \cdot \text{there} \vdash np \setminus s} \quad \setminus E}{\text{Alice} \cdot ((\text{found} \cdot np) \cdot \text{there}) \vdash s} \quad \setminus E}{\text{Alice} \cdot (\text{found} \cdot \text{there}) \vdash s / !_x np} \textit{xright}$$

Mind the gaps (Expert level)

Your turn compute the vector-based interpretation for some more challenging examples of parasitic gaps in [Moortgat et al., 2020]

- ▶ papers that Bob rejected $_$ (immediately) without reading $_p$ (carefully)
non-peripheral gaps
- ▶ security breach that a report about $_p$ in the NYT made $_$ public
co-argument gaps

Diagrammatically



Blocking structural rules

Compare the following

$iv := np \setminus s$

Napoleon slept in this bed

$in :: (iv \setminus iv) / np$

N slept during the speech

$during :: (iv \setminus iv) / np$

the bed which N slept in

$which :: (n \setminus n) / (s / \diamond \square np)$

*the speech which N slept during

In general, English allows preposition stranding, which is derivable with the controlled asso/ \diamond rules. But some modifiers behave as **islands**, inaccessible for extraction.

\diamond **as an obstacle** a modified type assignment imposes the desired island constraint:

during $:: (\square(iv \setminus iv)) / np$

Morrill 1994, [url](#)

- ▶ **during** first has to compose with its np object
- ▶ the result type $\square(iv \setminus iv)$ is *locked* by \square
- ▶ \diamond *unlocks* $\square(iv \setminus iv)$, thus sealing off **during** np as an island

In what follows, we refine the idea of modalities projecting locality domains to take into account dependency info.

Encoding dependency structure

Heads vs dependents

Dependency roles articulate the linguistic material on the basis of two oppositions:

- ▶ head - **complement** relations
 - ▷ verbal domain: subj, (in)direct object, ...
 - ▷ nominal domain: prepositional object, ...
- ▶ **adjunct** - head relations
 - ▷ verbal domain: (time, manner, ...) adverbial
 - ▷ nominal domain: adjectival, numeral, determiner, ...

Compare: fa-structure: function vs argument

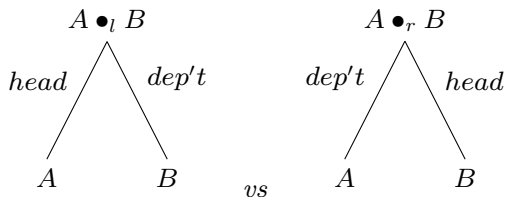
Orthogonality The fa and the dependency articulation are in general not aligned. This asks for a multidimensional type logic.

E.g. Determiner. Semantically, characteristic function of ($\llbracket N \rrbracket$, $\llbracket VP \rrbracket$) relation; morphologically, dependent on head noun.

A first step: bimodal syntactic calculus

cf MM and Morrill 1991, Heads and phrases. Type calculus for dependency and constituent structure. Ms.

Product \bullet is split in a left-headed \bullet_l and a right-headed \bullet_r version:



$$\text{RES} \quad A \longrightarrow C /_l B \quad \text{iff} \quad A \bullet_l B \longrightarrow C \quad \text{iff} \quad B \longrightarrow A \setminus_l C$$

$$A \longrightarrow C /_r B \quad \text{iff} \quad A \bullet_r B \longrightarrow C \quad \text{iff} \quad B \longrightarrow A \setminus_r C$$

head functor: $C /_l B, \quad A \setminus_r C$

dependent functor: $C /_r B, \quad A \setminus_l C$

Concrete interpretation modelling intonation, prosodic prominence, [Hendriks, 1997]

Deconstructing the headed product

Define \bullet_l , \bullet_r as compositions of regular \bullet and modal marking of the dependent:

$$A \bullet_l B := A \bullet \diamond B \quad A \bullet_r B := \diamond A \bullet B$$

Residuation: translation of the slashes

recall: $\diamond A \rightarrow B$ iff $A \rightarrow \square B$

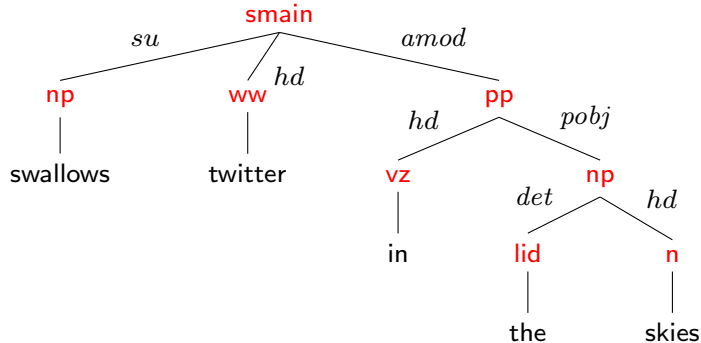
$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 \frac{A \rightarrow C /_l B}{\frac{A \bullet_l B \rightarrow C}{B \rightarrow A \setminus_l C}} & \sim & \frac{A \rightarrow C / \diamond B}{\frac{A \bullet \diamond B \rightarrow C}{\diamond B \rightarrow A \setminus C}} \\
 & & \frac{A \rightarrow C /_r B}{\frac{A \bullet_r B \rightarrow C}{B \rightarrow A \setminus_r C}} \\
 & & \frac{A \rightarrow \square(C/B)}{\frac{\diamond A \rightarrow C/B}{B \rightarrow \diamond A \setminus C}}
 \end{array}$$

Multimodal generalization families $\{\diamond_d, \square_d\}_{d \in \text{DepLabel}}$

- ▶ $\diamond_d A \setminus C, C / \diamond_d B$ head functor assigning dependency role d to its complement
- ▶ $\square_d(A \setminus C), \square_d(C/B)$ dependent functor projecting adjunct role d

Extracting types from structured data

Dutch treebank LASSY Annotation DAGs, nodes: synt categories, edges: dependency relations. Re-entrancy: higher-order types.



Extracted types:

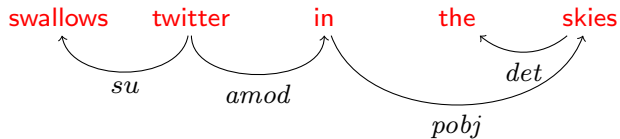
swallows : np twitter : $\diamond_{su} np \setminus s$ in : $\square_{amod}(s \setminus s) / \diamond_{pobj} np$ the : $\square_{det}(np / n)$ skies : n

Dependency structure

Derivation, N.D. style:

$$\begin{array}{c}
 \frac{\frac{\text{swallows}}{np}}{\langle \text{swallows} \rangle^{su} \vdash \diamond_{su} np} \diamond I \quad \frac{\text{twitter}}{\diamond_{su} np \setminus s} \\
 \hline
 \langle \text{swallows} \rangle^{su} \cdot \text{twitter} \vdash s \quad \setminus E \\
 \\
 \frac{\frac{\text{in}}{\square_{amod}(s \setminus s) / \diamond_{pobj} np} \quad \frac{\frac{\frac{\text{the}}{\square_{det}(np/n)} \quad \square E \quad \frac{\text{skies}}{n}}{\langle \text{the} \rangle^{det} \vdash np/n} \quad \square E}}{\langle \text{the} \rangle^{det} \cdot \text{skies} \vdash np} / E}{\langle \langle \text{the} \rangle^{det} \cdot \text{skies} \rangle^{pobj} \vdash \diamond_{pobj} np} \diamond I \\
 \hline
 \frac{\text{in} \cdot \langle \langle \text{the} \rangle^{det} \cdot \text{skies} \rangle^{pobj} \vdash \square_{amod}(s \setminus s)}{\langle \text{in} \cdot \langle \langle \text{the} \rangle^{det} \cdot \text{skies} \rangle^{pobj} \rangle^{amod} \vdash s \setminus s} \quad \square E \\
 \hline
 \langle \text{in} \cdot \langle \langle \text{the} \rangle^{det} \cdot \text{skies} \rangle^{pobj} \rangle^{amod} \vdash s \quad \setminus E \\
 \\
 \hline
 \langle \langle \text{swallows} \rangle^{su} \cdot \text{twitter} \rangle \cdot \langle \text{in} \cdot \langle \langle \text{the} \rangle^{det} \cdot \text{skies} \rangle^{pobj} \rangle^{amod} \vdash s
 \end{array}$$

Induced dependency structure:



~ within dependency domain, outgoing arcs from head to (head of) dependents

Tomorrow's episode: demo

Kokos Kogkalidis introduces you to his work on resources and tools for computational study of Dutch:

- ▶ extracting a type lexicon
- ▶ supertagging \cong almost-parsing
- ▶ neural parsing

If you want to try things out, see the readme on

<https://github.com/konstantinosKokos/lassy-tlg-extraction>

for the extracted proofbank

<https://github.com/konstantinosKokos/dynamic-proof-nets>

for the parser

Discussion: rethinking constituency

Case study: Extraction revisited

Recall Dutch left-branch extraction via controlled associativity, commutativity

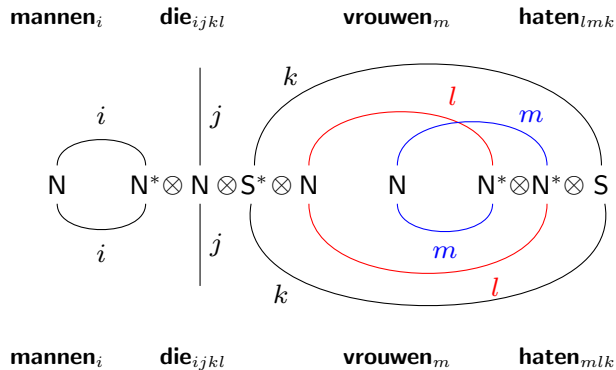
$$\diamond_x A \bullet (B \bullet C) \longrightarrow (\diamond_x A \bullet B) \bullet C \quad \diamond_x A \bullet (B \bullet C) \longrightarrow B \bullet (\diamond_x A \bullet C)$$

Relative pronoun **die** :: $(n \setminus n) / (!_x np \setminus s)$

$$!_x A \triangleq \diamond_x \square_x A$$

ambiguous between subj/obj relativization:

s subordinate clause, head-final



[Moortgat and Wijnholds, 2017]

Extraction revisited (cont'd)

Dependency refinement **derivational** ambiguity is traded in for **lexical** ambiguity, to be resolved in the supertagging phase.

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{haten} &:: \diamond_{obj} np \setminus (\diamond_{subj} np \setminus s) \\
 \text{die} &:: \square_{mod}(n \setminus n) / \diamond_{body} (\diamond_{subj} np \setminus s) \\
 \text{die} &:: \square_{mod}(n \setminus n) / \diamond_{body} (\diamond_{obj} np \setminus s)
 \end{aligned}$$

Down the rabbit hole The above types restrict access to immediate dependents of the rel clause body. $\text{die} :: \square_{mod}(n \setminus n) / \diamond_{body} (!_x \diamond_{subj|obj} np \setminus s)$ reaches more deeply embedded hypotheses.

The *xleft* (derived) inference rule now has $\Gamma[\]$ traversing unary+binary structure:

$$\frac{\Gamma[A \cdot \Delta] \vdash B}{\Gamma[\Delta] \vdash !_x A \setminus B} \textit{xleft}$$

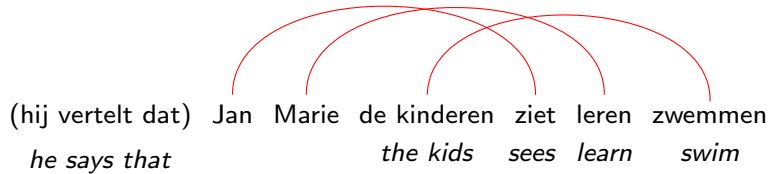
Categorically, this requires extra postulates allowing \diamond_x to commute with dependency modalities \diamond_d for (all|some) $d \in \textit{DepLabel}$:

$$\diamond_x A \bullet \diamond_d B \longrightarrow \diamond_d (\diamond_x A \bullet B)$$

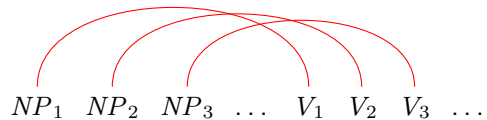
Case study: Dutch verb clusters

Crossing dependencies

Huijbregts 1984, Shieber 1985



Pattern copy language w^2 , i.e. mildly context-sensitive



Handling verb clusters: two type-logical options

- ▶ the Abstract Categorical Grammar method

abstract syntax, divergent compositional translations:

$[\cdot]^{string}$ string semantics

$[\cdot]^{sem}$ meaning assembly

- ▶ logical + structural reasoning

derivations $\Gamma \vdash A$ with alternating logical and structural phases

meaning assembly: Elim/Intro logical constants

surface form: meaning preserving structural transformations

2-MCFG

iets willen zeggen (*something want say*) =want to say sth
haar iets laten zeggen (*her something let say*) =let her say sth

k -dimensional Multiple CFG: CFG with non-terminals ranging over string tuples.

- ▶ infinitival phrases $INFP$: string tuples (*rest, verb(cluster)*)
- ▶ verb raising triggers IVR_i : head-adjunction [Pollard, 1984]

f_0	$INFP(\epsilon, x) \leftarrow INF_0(x)$	
f_1	$INFP(x, y) \leftarrow NP(x) INF_1(y)$	
g_0	$INFP(y, \mathbf{x} \cdot z) \leftarrow INFP(y, z) IVR_0(\mathbf{x})$	
g_1	$INFP(y \cdot z, \mathbf{x} \cdot w) \leftarrow NP(y) INFP(z, w) IVR_1(\mathbf{x})$	
d_0	$INF_0(\text{vertrekken}) \leftarrow$	<i>leave</i>
d_1	$INF_1(\text{zeggen}) \leftarrow$	<i>say</i>
d_2	$IVR_0(\text{willen}) \leftarrow$	<i>want</i>
d_3	$IVR_1(\text{laten}) \leftarrow$	<i>let</i>

VR triggers: modal/temporal auxiliaries (g_0); verbs of perception, causatives (g_1)

2-MCFG (cont'd)

Some VR triggers select an infinitival complement with the particle 'te'. An alternative construction is **extraposition**, which has the verbal complement intact at the end of the clause. Interestingly, some verbs allow the two realizations.

iets proberen te zeggen (*something try to say*) VR
proberen iets te zeggen (*try something to say*) extra

h_0 $INFP(y, x \cdot z) \leftarrow TIP(y, z) IVR_2(x)$

h_1 $TIP(x, te \cdot y) \leftarrow INFP(x, y)$

d_4 $IVR_2(\text{proberen}) \leftarrow$ *try*

x_0 $INFP_x(\epsilon, x) \leftarrow INF_2(x)$

x_1 $INFP_x(y, x \cdot z) \leftarrow INFP_x(y, z) IVR_0(x)$

x_2 $INFP_x(x \cdot z, y \cdot w) \leftarrow OBJ(x) INFP_x(z, w) IVR_1(y)$

d_7 $INF_2(\text{proberen}) \leftarrow$ *try*

r_0 $S(\text{hij} \cdot \text{zal} \cdot x \cdot y) \leftarrow INFP(x, y)$

x_3 $S(\text{hij} \cdot \text{zal} \cdot x \cdot y \cdot z \cdot w) \leftarrow INFP_x(x, y) TIP(z, w)$

Friday you'll see how BERT performs on these patterns ...

Verb clusters: the ACG method

The ACG method is easily adapted to our **NL** source: words as **abstract** constants.

Simple combinatorics, inflated type homomorphism String semantics: higher-order modelling of tuples

$$[INFP] = (\sigma \multimap \sigma \multimap \sigma) \multimap \sigma \quad \triangleq \sigma^{(2)}$$

ACG method (cont'd)

Abstract syntax The syntax types don't yield the surface string, but the closest you can get using logical rules only.

$$\frac{\frac{\frac{\text{haar}}{NP} \quad \frac{\frac{\text{iets}}{NP} \quad \frac{\text{zeggen}}{NP \backslash INFP}}{NP \backslash INFP}}{\text{iets} \cdot \text{zeggen} \vdash INFP} \backslash E \quad \frac{\text{laten}}{INFP \backslash (NP \backslash INFP)}}{\text{(iets} \cdot \text{zeggen)} \cdot \text{laten} \vdash NP \backslash INFP} \backslash E}{\text{haar} \cdot ((\text{iets} \cdot \text{zeggen}) \cdot \text{laten}) \vdash INFP} \backslash E \quad \frac{\text{willen}}{INFP \backslash INFP}}{\dagger \quad (\text{haar} \cdot ((\text{iets} \cdot \text{zeggen}) \cdot \text{laten})) \cdot \text{willen} \vdash INFP} \backslash E$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \lceil \text{zeggen} \rceil^{string} &= \lambda x \lambda f. (f \ x \ \text{zeggen}) && :: \sigma \multimap \sigma^{(2)} \\
 \lceil \text{willen} \rceil^{string} &= \lambda q \lambda f. (q \ \lambda y \lambda z. (f \ y \ \text{willen} \cdot z)) && :: \sigma^{(2)} \multimap \sigma^{(2)} \\
 \lceil \text{laten} \rceil^{string} &= \lambda q \lambda x \lambda f. (q \ \lambda z \lambda w. (f \ x \cdot z \ \text{laten} \cdot w)) && :: \sigma^{(2)} \multimap \sigma \multimap \sigma^{(2)}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \lceil \dagger \rceil^{string} &= \lambda f. (f \ \text{haar} \cdot \text{iets} \ \text{willen} \cdot \text{laten} \cdot \text{zeggen}) \\
 \text{compare} \quad \lceil \dagger \rceil^{sem} &= \text{WANT (LET (SAY SOMETHING) HER)}
 \end{aligned}$$

Dependency enhancement

function types $A \setminus B \rightsquigarrow \diamond_d A \setminus B$

vc : verbal complement

$$\begin{array}{c}
 \frac{\frac{\frac{\text{iets}}{np}}{\langle \text{iets} \rangle^{obj} \vdash \diamond_{obj} np} \diamond I \quad \frac{\text{zeggen}}{\diamond_{obj} np \setminus inf}}{\langle \text{iets} \rangle^{obj} \cdot \text{zeggen} \vdash inf} \setminus E}{\frac{\frac{\text{haar}}{np}}{\langle \text{haar} \rangle^{obj} \vdash \diamond_{obj} np} \diamond I \quad \frac{\frac{\langle \text{iets} \rangle^{obj} \cdot \text{zeggen} \vdash inf} \diamond I \quad \frac{\text{laten}}{\diamond_{vc} inf \setminus (\diamond_{obj} np \setminus inf)}}{\langle \langle \text{iets} \rangle^{obj} \cdot \text{zeggen} \rangle^{vc} \vdash \diamond_{vc} inf} \setminus E}{\langle \langle \text{iets} \rangle^{obj} \cdot \text{zeggen} \rangle^{vc} \cdot \text{laten} \vdash \diamond_{obj} np \setminus inf} \setminus E} \\
 \frac{\langle \langle \text{haar} \rangle^{obj} \cdot (\langle \langle \text{iets} \rangle^{obj} \cdot \text{zeggen} \rangle^{vc} \cdot \text{laten}) \vdash inf} \diamond I \quad \frac{\text{willen}}{\diamond_{vc} inf \setminus inf}}{\langle \langle \text{haar} \rangle^{obj} \cdot (\langle \langle \text{iets} \rangle^{obj} \cdot \text{zeggen} \rangle^{vc} \cdot \text{laten}) \rangle^{vc} \vdash \diamond_{vc} inf} \setminus E} \\
 \langle \langle \text{haar} \rangle^{obj} \cdot (\langle \langle \text{iets} \rangle^{obj} \cdot \text{zeggen} \rangle^{vc} \cdot \text{laten}) \rangle^{vc} \cdot \text{willen} \vdash inf
 \end{array}$$

(WANT $\Delta^{vc}((\text{LET } \Delta^{vc}(\text{SAY } \Delta^{obj} \text{ SOMETHING})) \Delta^{obj} \text{ HER}))$

Logical plus structural reasoning

Alternating logical/structural phases $|\Gamma|$: antecedent structure term with yield Γ

$$\frac{\begin{array}{c} \vdots \\ \hline | \text{haar iets zeggen laten willen} | \vdash INFP \end{array}}{\frac{?}{\hline | \text{haar iets willen laten zeggen} | \vdash INFP}} \begin{array}{l} \text{logical phase} \\ \\ \text{structural phase} \end{array}$$

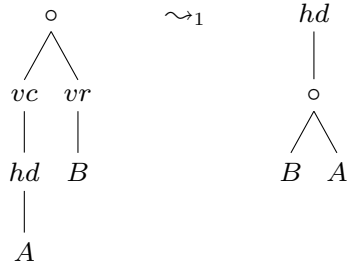
Challenge To reach the end sequent, the VR triggers have to break into the dependency domain of their infinitival complements.

As with Pollard's Head Grammars, we need **head marking**:

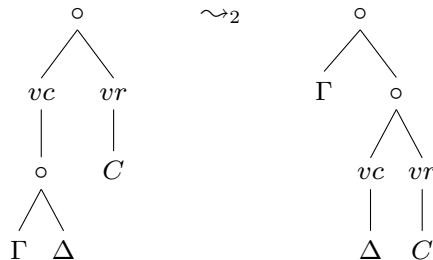
$$\begin{array}{ll} \text{zeggen} :: \diamond_{objnp} \backslash inf & \rightsquigarrow \square_{hd}(\diamond_{objnp} \backslash inf) \\ \text{willen} :: \diamond_{vc} inf \backslash inf & \rightsquigarrow \square_{vr}(\diamond_{vc} inf \backslash inf) \\ \text{laten} :: \diamond_{vc} inf \backslash (\diamond_{objnp} \backslash inf) & \rightsquigarrow \square_{vr}(\diamond_{vc} inf \backslash (\diamond_{objnp} \backslash inf)) \end{array}$$

Structural transformations

- ▶ *vr* trigger in construction with the head *hd* of its *vc* merges into complex *hd*:



- ▶ controlled asso: restructuring disassembles complex verbal complements:



iets willen zeggen

$$\begin{array}{c}
 \frac{\frac{\text{iets}}{np}}{\langle \text{iets} \rangle^{obj} \vdash \diamond_{obj} np} \quad \diamond I \quad \frac{\frac{\text{zeggen}}{\square_{hd}(\diamond_{obj} np \setminus inf)}}{\langle \text{zeggen} \rangle^{hd} \vdash \diamond_{obj} np \setminus inf} \quad \square E}{\langle \text{iets} \rangle^{obj} \cdot \langle \text{zeggen} \rangle^{hd} \vdash inf} \quad \setminus E \\
 \frac{\langle \text{iets} \rangle^{obj} \cdot \langle \text{zeggen} \rangle^{hd} \vdash inf \quad \diamond I \quad \frac{\frac{\text{willen}}{\square_{vr}(\diamond_{vc} inf \setminus inf)}}{\langle \text{willen} \rangle^{vr} \vdash \diamond_{vc} inf \setminus inf} \quad \square E}{\langle \text{iets} \rangle^{obj} \cdot \langle \text{zeggen} \rangle^{hd} \rangle_{vc} \vdash \diamond_{vc} inf} \quad \setminus E}{\langle \langle \text{iets} \rangle^{obj} \cdot \langle \text{zeggen} \rangle^{hd} \rangle_{vc} \cdot \langle \text{willen} \rangle^{vr} \vdash inf} \quad R2 \\
 \frac{\langle \text{iets} \rangle^{obj} \cdot (\langle \langle \text{zeggen} \rangle^{hd} \rangle_{vc} \cdot \langle \text{willen} \rangle^{vr}) \vdash inf}{\langle \text{iets} \rangle^{obj} \cdot \langle \text{willen} \cdot \text{zeggen} \rangle^{hd} \vdash inf} \quad R1
 \end{array}$$

(\blacktriangledown^{vr} WANT Δ^{vc} (\blacktriangledown^{hd} SAY Δ^{obj} SOMETHING))

- ▶ joint effect: verb raising trigger left-adjoined to the head of its verbal complement
- ▶ more complex clusters: $R1 \circ R2^+$

Conclusion

- ▶ the ACG method
 - ▷ full burden is put on the type homomorphism
 - ☹ $[inf] = (\sigma \multimap \sigma \multimap \sigma) \multimap \sigma$: 3rd order
 - ☺ combinatorics simple: application (plus β simplification)
- ▶ logical plus structural reasoning
 - ▷ division of labour between logical and structural inferences
 - ▷ logical phase: direct input to semantic composition
 - ▷ structural phase: meaning-preserving transformations

What's next dependency-enhanced type logic in action:

- ▶ supertagging, neural parsing
- ▶ experimental evaluation

tomorrow

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