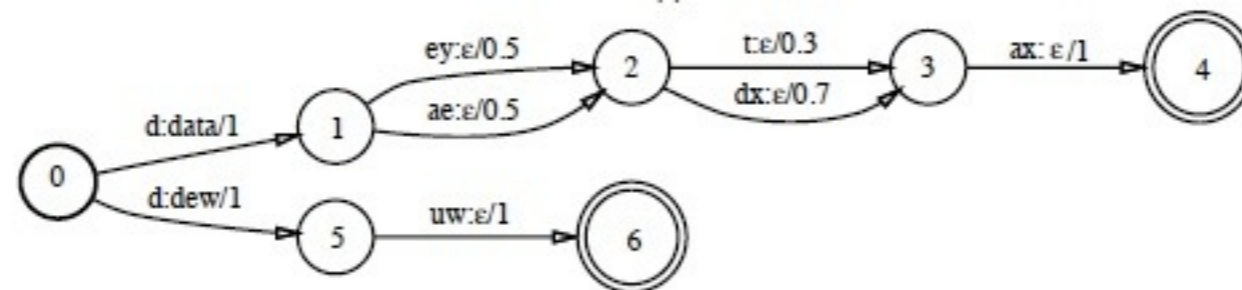


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Unit 3: Tree Models

Lectures 9-11: Context-Free Grammars and Parsing



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Big Picture

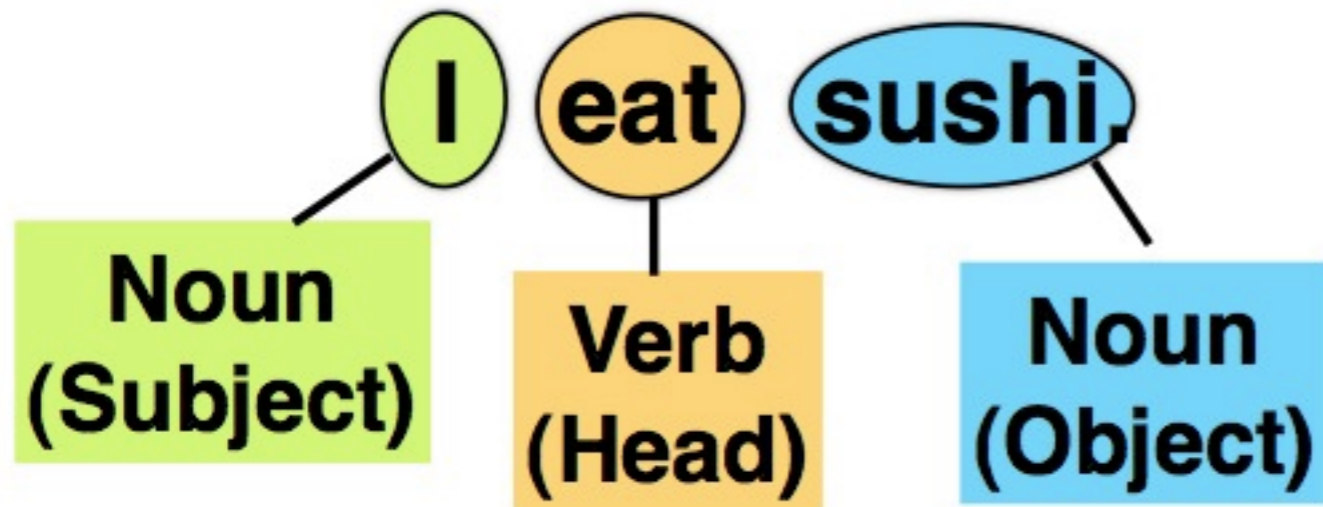
- only 2 ideas in this course: Noisy-Channel and Viterbi (DP)
- we have already covered...
 - sequence models (WFSA, WFST, HMMs)
 - decoding (Viterbi Algorithm)
 - supervised training (counting, smoothing)
- in this unit we'll look beyond sequences, and cover...
 - tree models (prob context-free grammars and extensions)
 - decoding (“parsing”, CKY Algorithm)
 - supervised training (lexicalization, history-annotation, ...)

Limitations of Sequence Models

- can you write an FSA/FST for the following?
 - $\{ (a^n, b^n) \}$ $\{ (a^{2^n}, b^n) \}$
 - $\{ a^n b^n \}$
 - $\{ w w^R \}$
 - $\{ (w, w^R) \}$
- does it matter to human languages?
 - [The woman saw the boy [that heard the man [that left]]].
 - [The claim [that the house [he bought] is valuable] is wrong].
 - but humans can't really process infinite recursions... **stack overflow!**

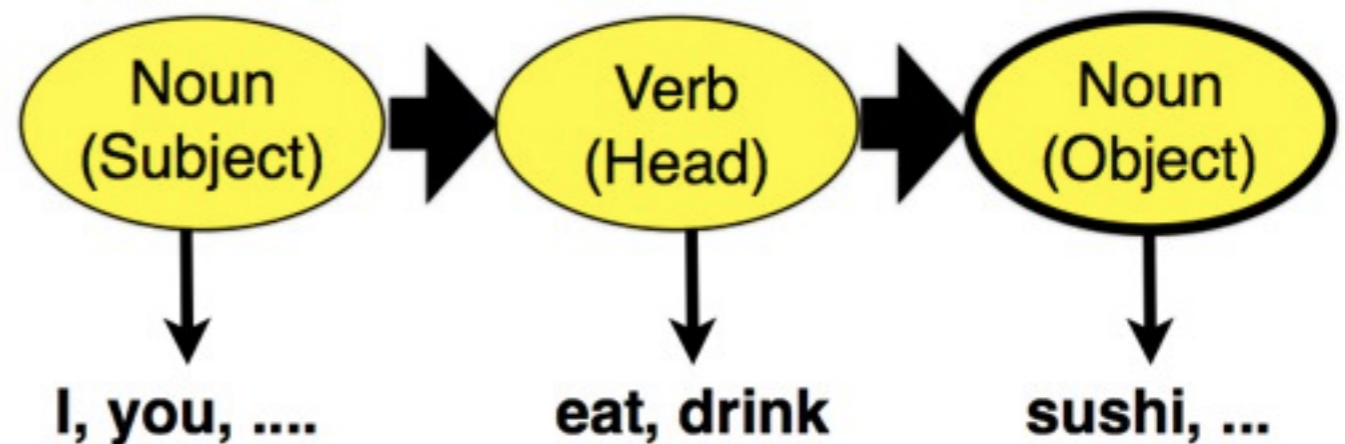
Let's try to write a grammar...

(courtesy of Julia Hockenmaier)



- let's take a closer look...
- we'll try our best to represent English in a FSA...
- basic sentence structure: N, V, N

Subject-Verb-Object



- compose it with a lexicon, and we get an HMM
- so far so good

(Recursive) Adjectives

(courtesy of Julia Hockenmaier)

the ball

the big ball

the big, red ball

the big, red, heavy ball

- then add Adjectives, which **modify** Nouns
- the number of **modifiers/adjuncts** can be **unlimited**.
- how about no determiner before noun? “play tennis”

Recursive PPs

(courtesy of Julia Hockenmaier)

the ball

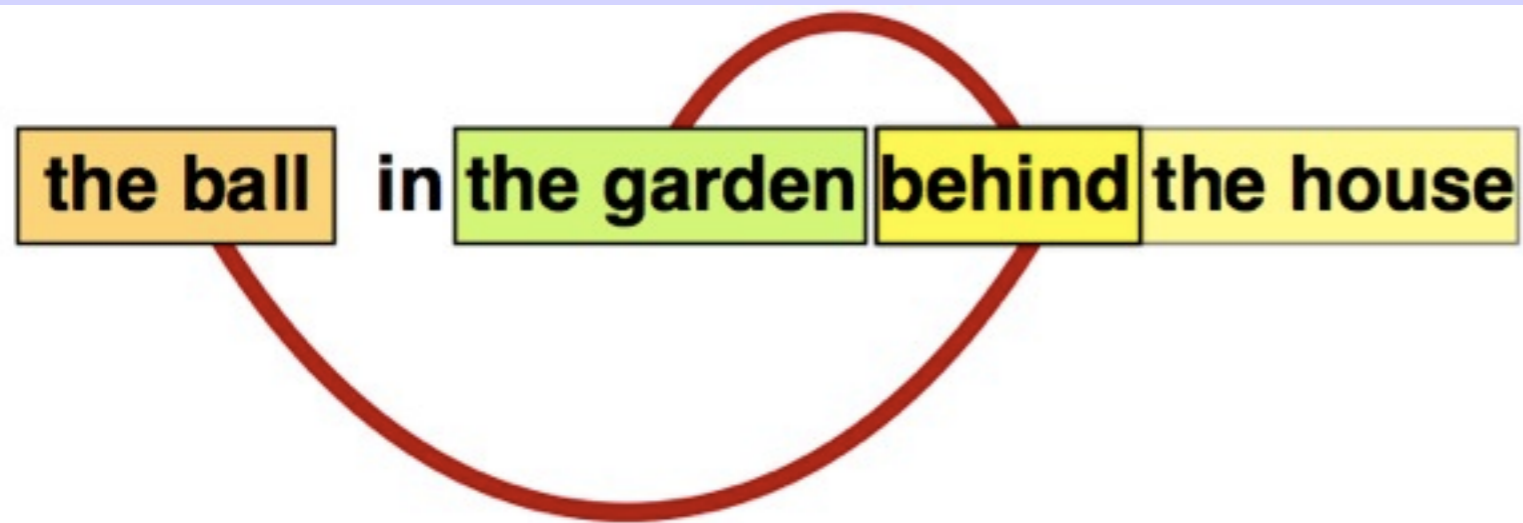
the ball in the garden

the ball in the garden behind the house

the ball in the garden behind the house near the school ...

- recursion can be more complex
- but we can still model it with FSAs!
- so why bother to go beyond finite-state?

FSAs can't go hierarchical!



(courtesy of Julia Hockenmaier)

- but sentences have a hierarchical structure!
 - so that we can infer the *meaning*
 - we need not only strings, but also *trees*
- FSAs are flat, and can only do **tail recursions** (i.e., loops)
- but we need real (branching) recursions for languages

FSA's can't do Center Embedding

The mouse ate the corn.

(courtesy of Julia Hockenmaier)

The mouse **that the snake ate** ate the corn.

The mouse **that the snake that the hawk ate ate** ate the corn.

....

vs.

The claim that the house he bought was valuable was wrong.

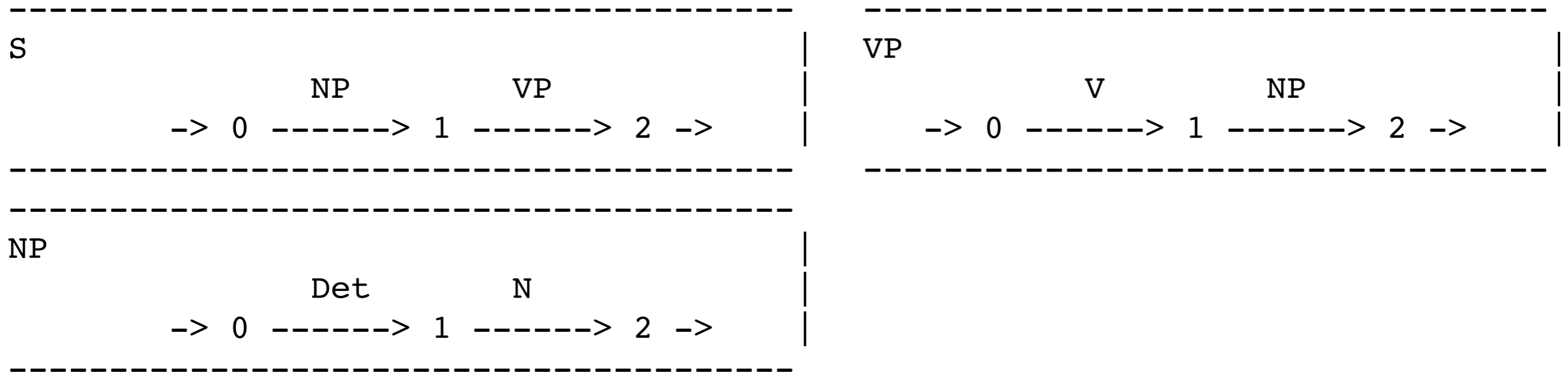
vs.

I saw the ball in the garden behind the house near the school.

- in theory, these infinite recursions are still grammatical
 - competence (grammatical knowledge)
- in practice, studies show that English has a limit of 3
 - performance (processing and memory limitations)
- FSA's *can* model *finite* embeddings, but very *inconvenient*.

How about Recursive FSAs?

- **problem of FSAs: only tail recursions, no branching recursions**
 - can't represent hierarchical structures (trees)
 - can't generate center-embedded strings
- is there a simple way to improve it?
 - recursive transition networks (RTNs)



Context-Free Grammars

- $S \rightarrow NP VP$
- $NP \rightarrow Det N$
- $NP \rightarrow NP PP$
- $PP \rightarrow P NP$
- $VP \rightarrow V NP$
- $VP \rightarrow VP PP$
- ...
- $N \rightarrow \{ball, garden, house, sushi\}$
- $P \rightarrow \{in, behind, with\}$
- $V \rightarrow \dots$
- $Det \rightarrow \dots$

Context-Free Grammars

A CFG is a 4-tuple $\langle N, \Sigma, R, S \rangle$

A set of nonterminals N

(e.g. $N = \{S, NP, VP, PP, Noun, Verb, \dots\}$)

A set of terminals Σ

(e.g. $\Sigma = \{I, you, he, eat, drink, sushi, ball, \}$)

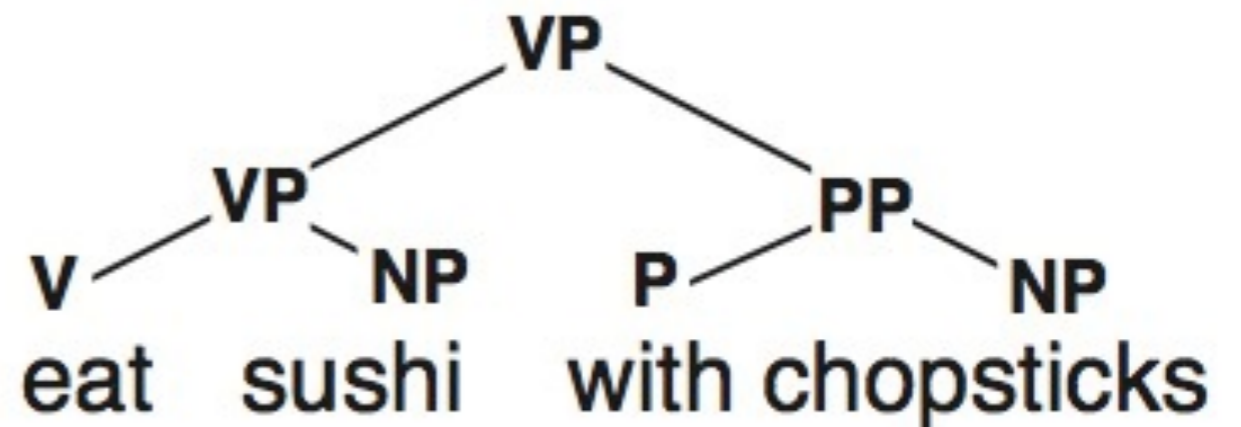
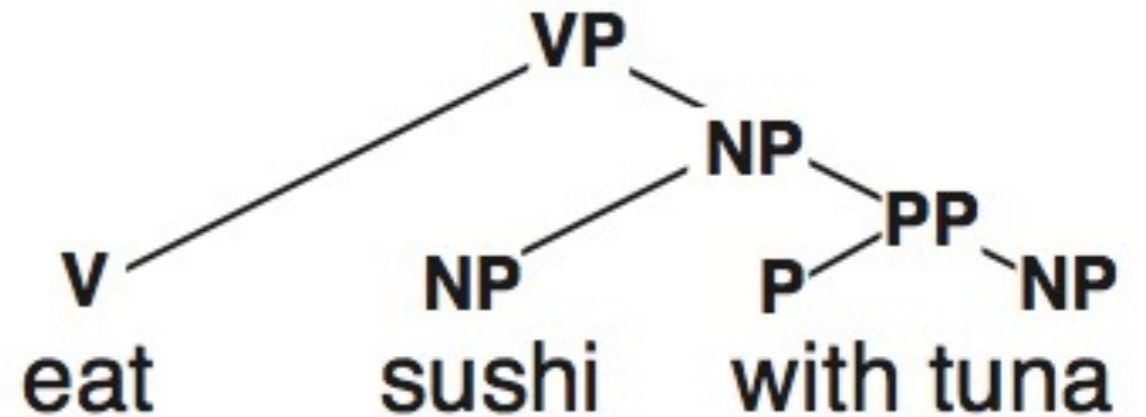
A set of rules R

**$R \subseteq \{A \rightarrow \beta$ with left-hand-side (LHS) $A \in N$
and right-hand-side (RHS) $\beta \in (N \cup \Sigma)^* \}$**

A start symbol S (sentence)

Parse Trees

- $N \rightarrow \{sushi, tuna\}$
- $P \rightarrow \{with\}$
- $V \rightarrow \{eat\}$
- $NP \rightarrow N$
- $NP \rightarrow NP PP$
- $PP \rightarrow P NP$
- $VP \rightarrow V NP$
- $VP \rightarrow VP PP$



CFGs for Center-Embedding

The mouse ate the corn.

The mouse **that the snake ate** ate the corn.

The mouse **that the snake that the hawk ate ate** ate the corn.

....

- $\{ a^n b^n \}$ $\{ w w^R \}$
- can you also do $\{ a^n b^n c^n \}$? or $\{ w w^R w \}$?
- $\{ a^n b^n c^m d^m \}$
- what's the limitation of CFGs?
- CFG for center-embedded clauses:
 - $S \rightarrow NP \text{ ate } NP; \quad NP \rightarrow NP \text{ RC}; \quad RC \rightarrow \text{that } NP \text{ ate}$

Review

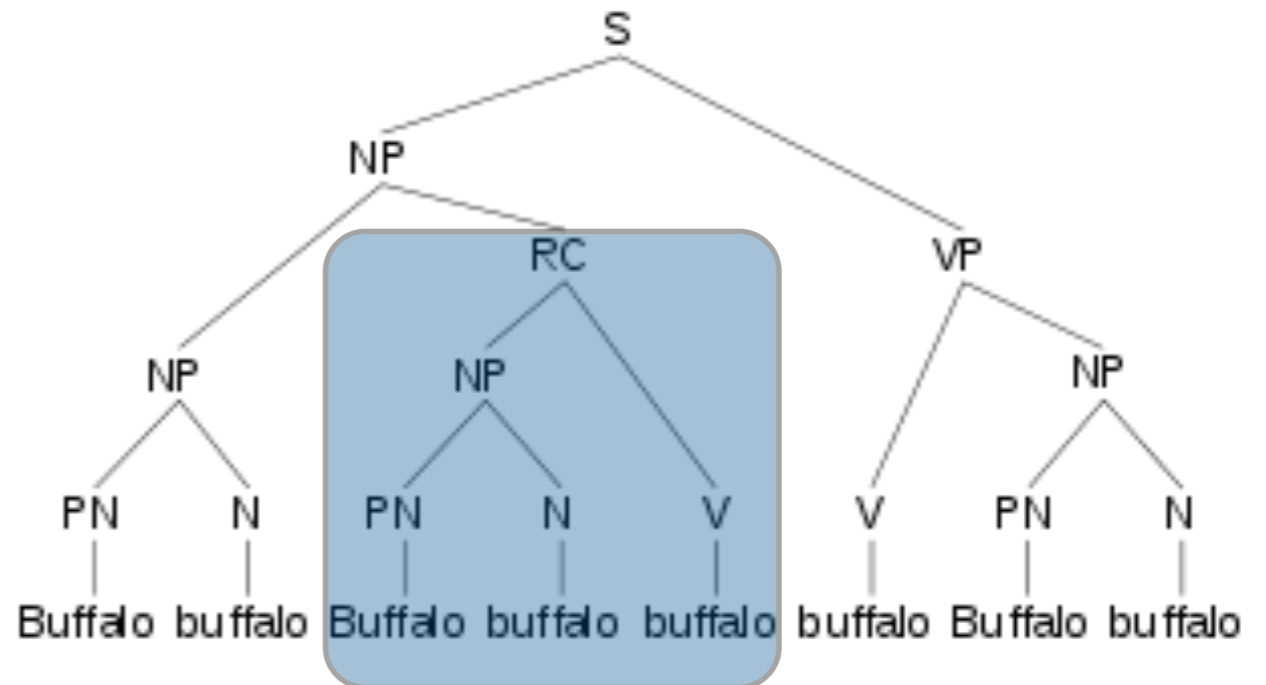
- write a CFG for...

- $\{ a^m b^n c^n d^m \}$

- $\{ a^m b^n c^{3m+2n} \}$

- $\{ a^m b^n c^m d^n \}$

- buffalo buffalo buffalo ...



- write an FST or synchronous CFG for...

- $\{ (w, w^R) \}$ $\{ (a^n, b^n) \}$

- HW3: including p(eprons) is wrong

- HW4: using carmel to test your own code

Chomsky Hierarchy

| | Language | Automata | Parsing complexity | Dependencies |
|--------|------------------------|-----------------|---------------------------|---------------------|
| Type 3 | Regular | Finite-state | linear | adjacent words |
| Type 2 | Context-Free | Pushdown | cubic | nested |
| Type 1 | Context-sensitive | Linear Bounded | exponential | |
| Type 0 | Recursively Enumerable | Turing machine | | |

Constituents, Heads, Dependents

There are different kinds of constituents:

Noun phrases: *the man, a girl with glasses, Illinois*

Prepositional phrases: *with glasses, in the garden*

Verb phrases: *eat sushi, sleep, sleep soundly*

Every phrase has a head:

Noun phrases: *the man, a girl with glasses, Illinois*

Prepositional phrases: *with glasses, in the garden*

Verb phrases: *eat sushi, sleep, sleep soundly*

The other parts are its **dependents**.

Dependents are either **arguments** or **adjuncts**

Constituency Test

He talks *[in class]*.

Substitution test:

Can α be replaced by a single word?

He talks *[there]*.

Movement test:

Can α be moved around in the sentence?

[In class], he talks.

Answer test:

Can α be the answer to a question?

Where does he talk? - *[In class]*.

how about “there is” or “I do”?

Arguments and Adjuncts

- arguments are obligatory

Words subcategorize for specific sets of arguments:

Transitive verbs (sbj + obj): *[John] likes [Mary]*

All arguments have to be present:

**[John] likes.* **likes [Mary].*

No argument can be occupied multiple times:

**[John] [Peter] likes [Ann] [Mary].*

Words can have multiple *subcat frames*:

Transitive *eat* (sbj + obj): *[John] eats [sushi].*

Intransitive *eat* (sbj): *[John] eats.*

Arguments and Adjuncts

- adjuncts are optional

Adverbs, PPs and adjectives can be adjuncts:

Adverbs: *John runs [fast].*

a [very] heavy book.

PPs: *John runs [in the gym].*

the book [on the table]

Adjectives: *a [heavy] book*

There can be an arbitrary number of adjuncts

John saw Mary.

John saw Mary [yesterday].

John saw Mary [yesterday] [in town]

John saw Mary [yesterday] [in town] [during lunch]

[Perhaps] John saw Mary [yesterday] [in town] [during lunch]

Noun Phrases (NPs)

Simple NPs:

[He] sleeps. (pronoun)

[John] sleeps. (proper name)

[A student] sleeps. (determiner + noun)

Complex NPs:

[A tall student] sleeps. (det + adj + noun)

[The student in the back] sleeps. (NP + PP)

[The student who likes MTV] sleeps. (NP + Relative Clause)

The NP Fragment

NP → Pronoun

NP → ProperName

NP → Det Noun

Det → {*a, the, every*}

Pronoun → {*he, she, ...*}

ProperName → {*John, Mary, ...*}

Noun → AdjP Noun

Noun → N

NP → NP PP

NP → NP RelClause

ADJPs and PPs

AdjP → **Adj**

AdjP → **Adv AdjP**

Adj → {*big, small, red,...*}

Adv → {*very, really,...*}

PP → **P NP**

P → {*with, in, above,...*}

Verb Phrase (VP)

He [eats].

He [eats sushi].

He [gives John sushi].

He [eats sushi with chopsticks].

VP → V

VP → V NP

VP → V NP PP

VP → VP PP

V → {eats, sleeps gives,...}

VPs redefined

He [eats].

He [eats sushi].

He [gives John sushi].

He [eats sushi with chopsticks].

VP → V_intrans

VP → V_trans NP

VP → V_ditrans NP NP

VP → VP PP

V_intrans → {*eats, sleeps*}

V_trans → {*eats*}

V_trans → {*gives*}

Sentences

[He eats sushi].

[Sometimes, he eats sushi].

[In Japan, he eats sushi].

S → NP VP

S → AdvP S

S → PP S

He says [he eats sushi].

VP → V_comp S

V_comp → {says, think, believes}

Sentence Redefined

[He eats sushi]. ✓
**[I eats sushi].* ???
**[They eats sushi].* ???

S → **NP.3sg VP.3sg**
S → **NP.1sg VP.1sg**
S → **NP.3pl VP.3pl**

We need features to capture agreement:
(number, person, case,...)

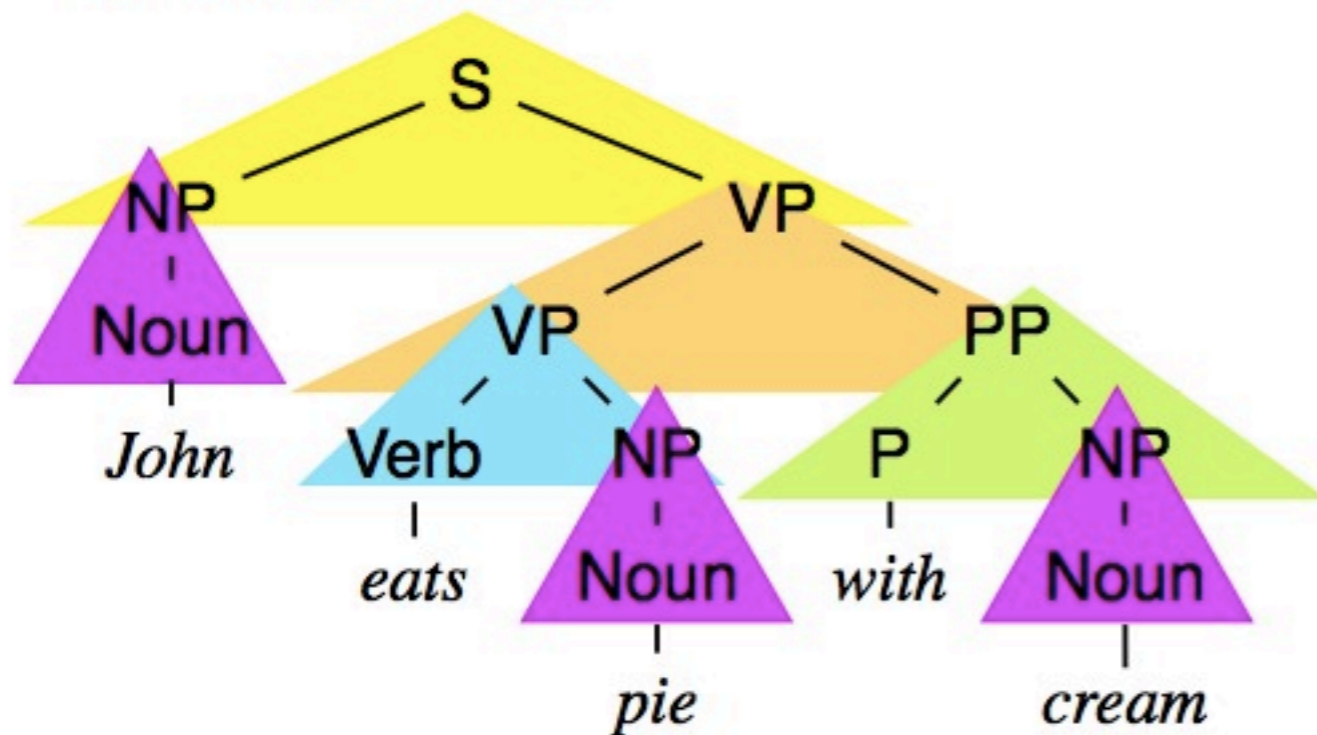
Probabilistic CFG

- normalization
 - $\sum_{\beta} p(A \rightarrow \beta) = 1$
- what's the most likely tree?
 - in finite-state world,
- what's the most likely string
- given string w , what's the most likely tree for w
 - this is called “parsing” (like decoding)

| | | |
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Probability of a tree

The probability of a tree τ is the product of the probabilities of all its rules:

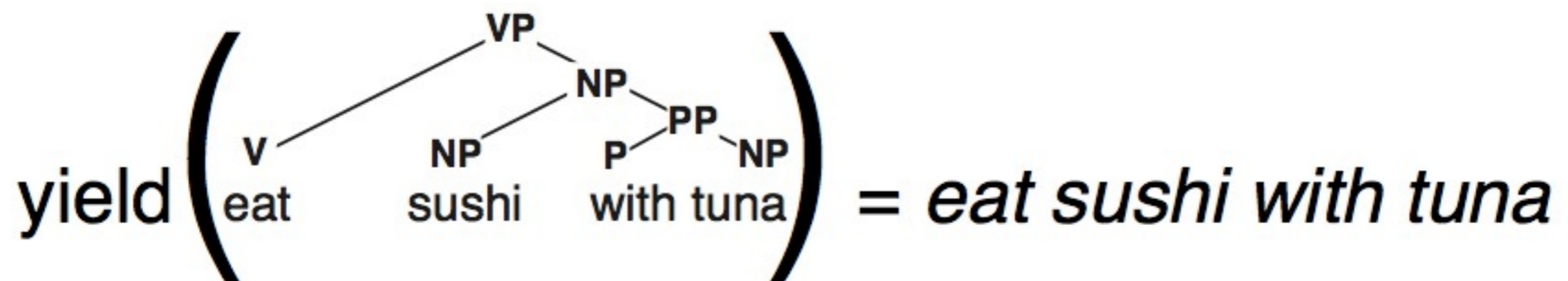


$$P(\tau) = 0.8 \times 0.3 \times 0.2 \times 1.0 \times 0.2^3$$
$$= \mathbf{0.00384}$$

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Most likely tree given string

- parsing is to search for the best tree t^* that:
 - $t^* = \operatorname{argmax}_t p(t | w) = \operatorname{argmax}_t p(t) p(w | t)$
 - $= \operatorname{argmax}_{\{t: \text{yield}(t)=w\}} p(t)$
 - analogous to HMM decoding
- is it related to “intersection” or “composition” in FSTs?



CKY Algorithm

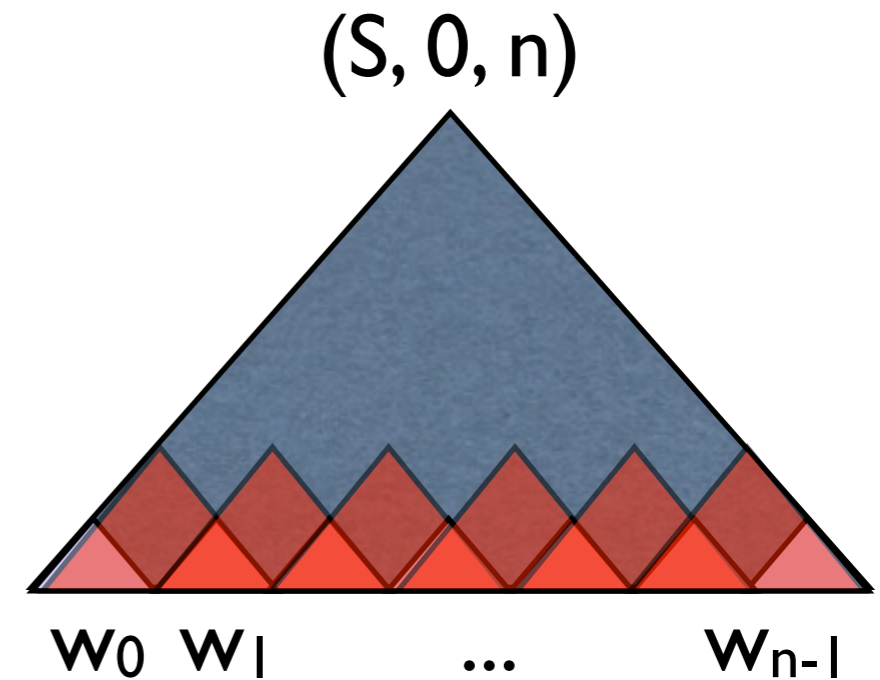
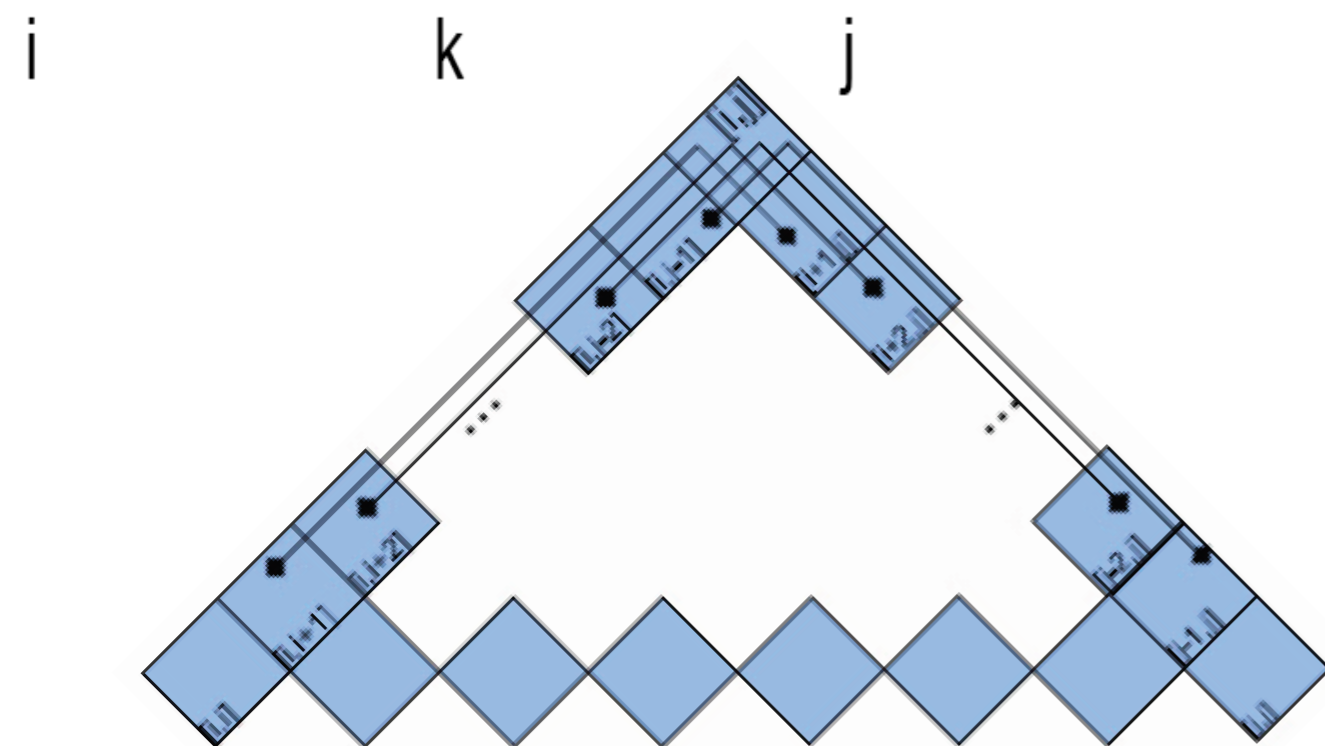
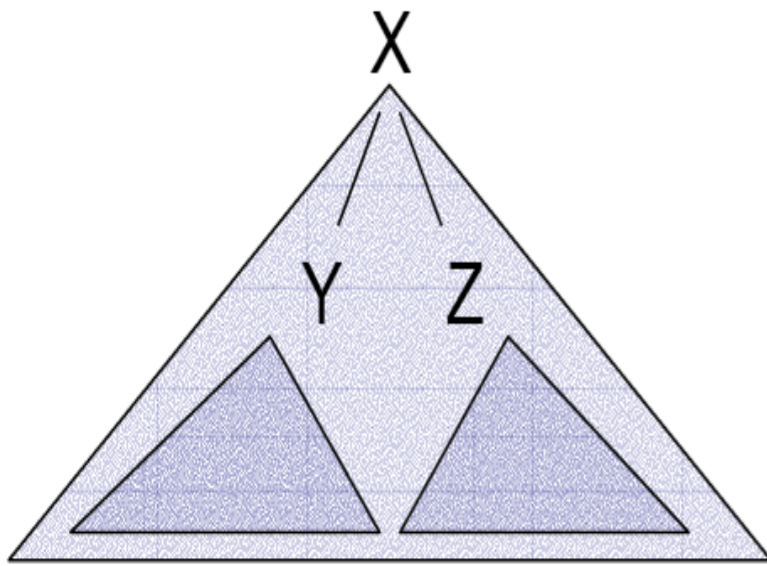
- For each diff ($\leq n$)

- For each i ($\leq n$)

- For each rule $X \rightarrow YZ$

- For each split point k

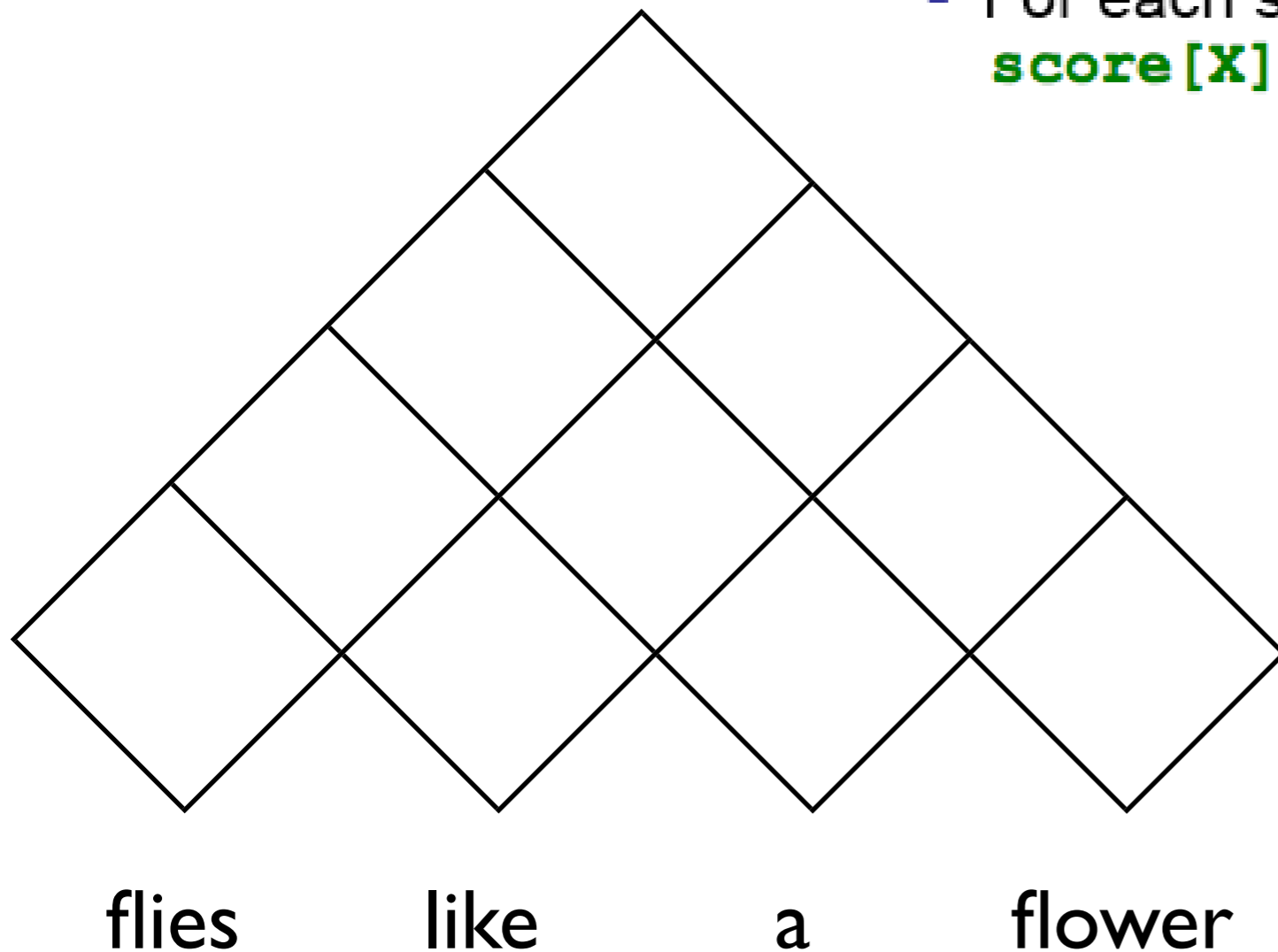
$$\text{score}[X][i][j] = \max \left(\text{score}[X][i][j], \text{score}(X \rightarrow YZ) * \text{score}[Y][i][k] * \text{score}[Z][k][j] \right)$$



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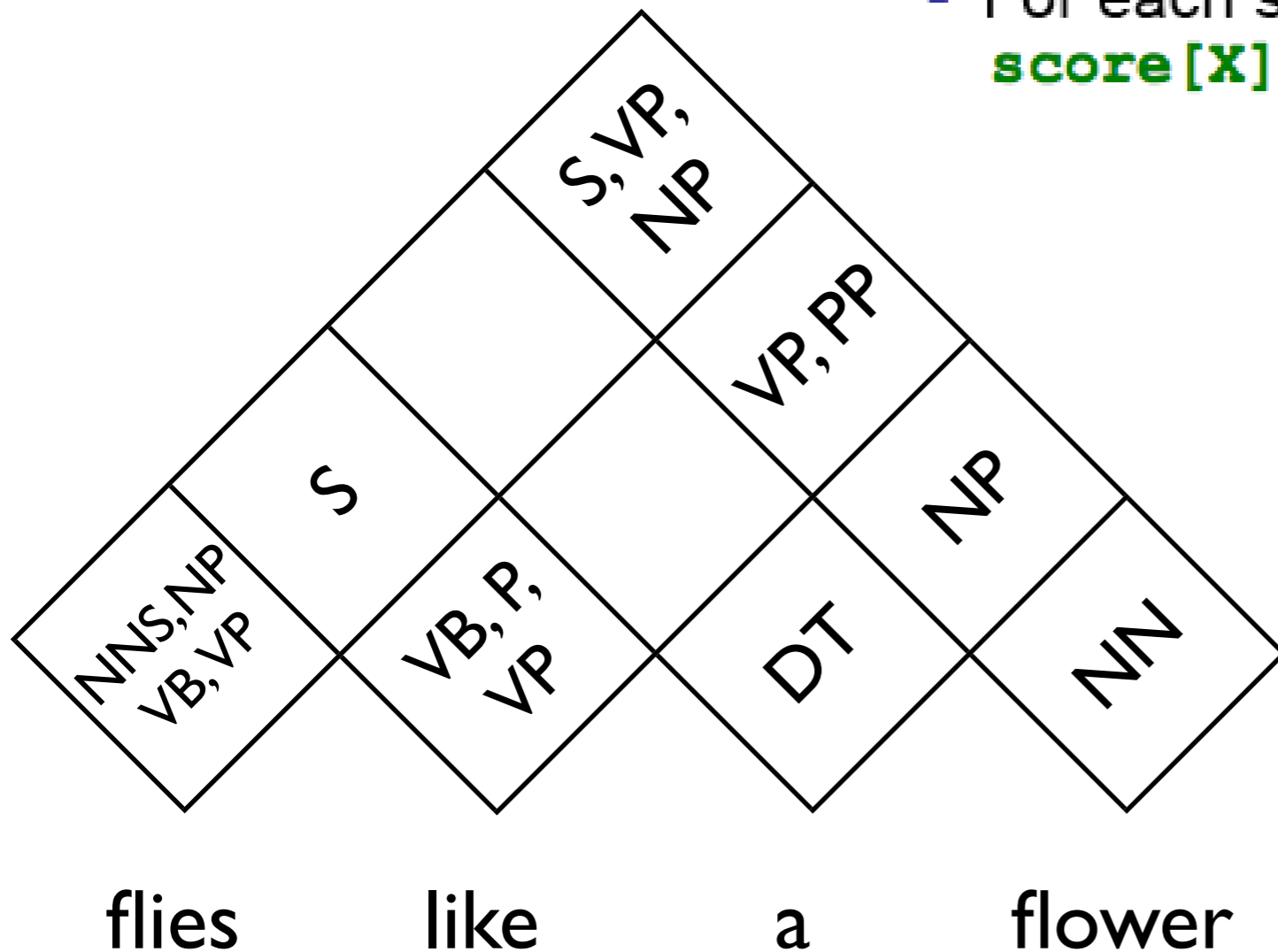


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| S → NP VP | VB → flies |
| NP → DT NN | NNS → flies |
| NP → NNS | VB → like |
| NP → NP PP | P → like |
| VP → VB NP | DT → a |
| VP → VP PP | NN → flower |
| VP → VB | |
| PP → P NP | |

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CKY Example

Input: POS-tagged sentence

John_N eats_V pie_N with_P cream_N

| | | | | | |
|------|-----------|------------------|--|---------------------|-----------|
| John | eats | pie | with | cream | |
| N | NP 0.2 | S 0.8*0.2*0.4 | S 0.8*0.2*0.08 | S 0.2*0.0024*0.8 | John |
| | V | VP 0.3*0.2 | VP max(0.008*0.2, 0.06*0.2*0.2) | | eats |
| | | N | NP 0.2 | NP 0.2*0.2*0.2 | pie |
| | | | P | PP 1*0.2 | with |
| | | | | N | NP 0.2 |
| | | | | | cream |

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Chomsky Normal Form

- wait! how can you assume a CFG is binary-branching?
- well, we can always convert a CFG into Chomsky-Normal Form (CNF)
 - $A \rightarrow B C$
 - $A \rightarrow a$
- how to deal with epsilon-removal?
- how to do it with PCFG?

What if we don't do CNF..

- Earley's algorithm (dotted rules, internal binarization)

Item form: $[A, i, j]$

Axioms: $[A, i, i + 1] \quad A \rightarrow w_{i+1}$

Goals: $[S, 0, n]$

Inference rules:
$$\frac{[B, i, j] \quad [C, j, k]}{[A, i, k]} \quad A \rightarrow B C$$

CKY deductive system

What if we don't do CNF...

- Earley's algorithm (dotted rules, internal binarization)

| | |
|--|----------|
| $[0, S' \rightarrow \bullet S, 0]$ | initial |
| $[0, S' \rightarrow S \bullet, n]$ | goal |
| $\frac{[i, A \rightarrow \alpha \bullet w_{j+1} \beta, j]}{[i, A \rightarrow \alpha w_{j+1} \bullet \beta, j + 1]}$ | scan |
| $\frac{[i, A \rightarrow \alpha \bullet B \beta, j]}{[j, B \rightarrow \bullet \gamma, j]} \quad B \rightarrow \gamma$ | predict |
| $\frac{[i, A \rightarrow \alpha \bullet B \beta, k] \quad [k, B \rightarrow \gamma \bullet, j]}{[i, A \rightarrow \alpha B \bullet \beta, j]}$ | complete |

Earley (1970) deductive system

Earley Algorithm

- why *complete* must be first?
- how do you extend it for PCFG?

```
procedure EARLEYPARSER( $w_{1..n}$ )  
  addToChart( $\langle TOP \rightarrow \bullet S, [0, 0] \rangle$ )  
  for all  $\langle rule, [k, i] \rangle \in \text{chart}$  do  
    if rule matches  $X \rightarrow \gamma \bullet$  then ▷ COMPLETE  $X$   
      for all  $\langle Y \rightarrow \alpha \bullet X \beta, [j, k] \rangle \in \text{chart}$  do  
        addToChart( $\langle Y \rightarrow \alpha X \bullet \beta, [j, i] \rangle$ )  
    else if rule matches  $X \rightarrow \alpha \bullet Y \beta$  then ▷ PREDICT  $Y$   
      for all  $Y \rightarrow \gamma \in \text{RULES}$  do  
        addToChart( $\langle Y \rightarrow \bullet \gamma, [i, i] \rangle$ )  
    else if rule matches  $X \rightarrow \alpha \bullet t \beta$ , and  $\langle t, w_i \rangle \in \text{LEX}$  then ▷ SCAN  $w_i$   
      addToChart( $\langle X \rightarrow \alpha t \bullet \beta, [k, i + 1] \rangle$ )  
  if  $s = \langle TOP \rightarrow S \bullet, [0, n] \rangle \in \text{chart}$  then return  $s$   
  else fail
```

Parsing as Deduction

$$\frac{(B, i, k) : a \quad (C, k, j) : b}{(A, i, j) : a \times b \times \Pr(A \rightarrow B C)} \quad A \rightarrow B C$$

Parsing as Intersection

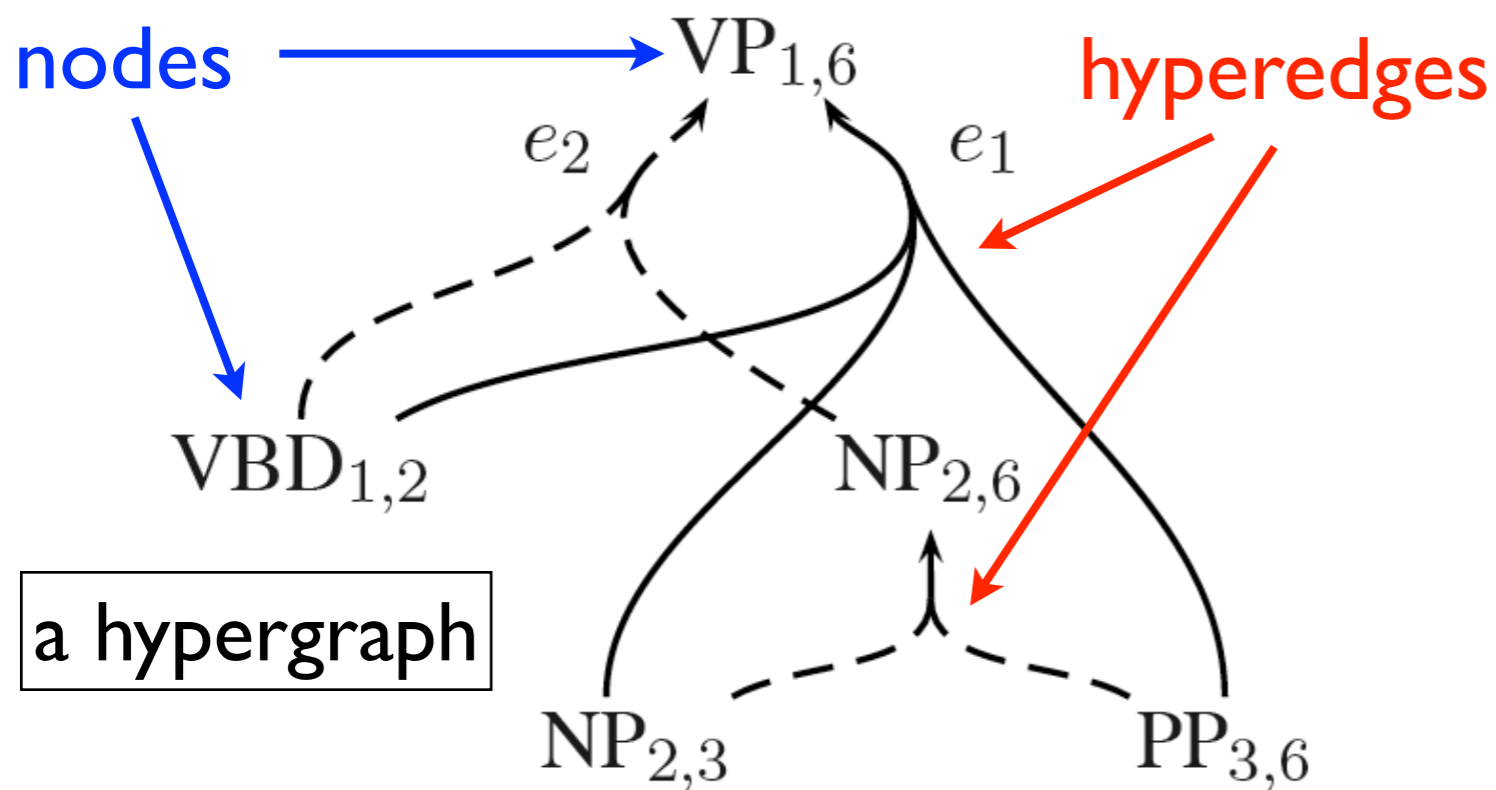
$$\frac{(B, i, k) : a \quad (C, k, j) : b}{(A, i, j) : a \times b \times \Pr(A \rightarrow B C)} \quad A \rightarrow B C$$

- intersection between a CFG G and an FSA D :
 - define $L(G)$ to be the set of *strings* (i.e., yields) G generates
 - define $L(G \cap D) = L(G) \cap L(D)$
 - what does this new language generate??
 - what does the new grammar *look like*?
- what about $\text{CFG} \cap \text{CFG}$?

Parsing as Composition

Packed Forests

- a compact representation of many parses
- by sharing common sub-derivations
- polynomial-space encoding of exponentially large set

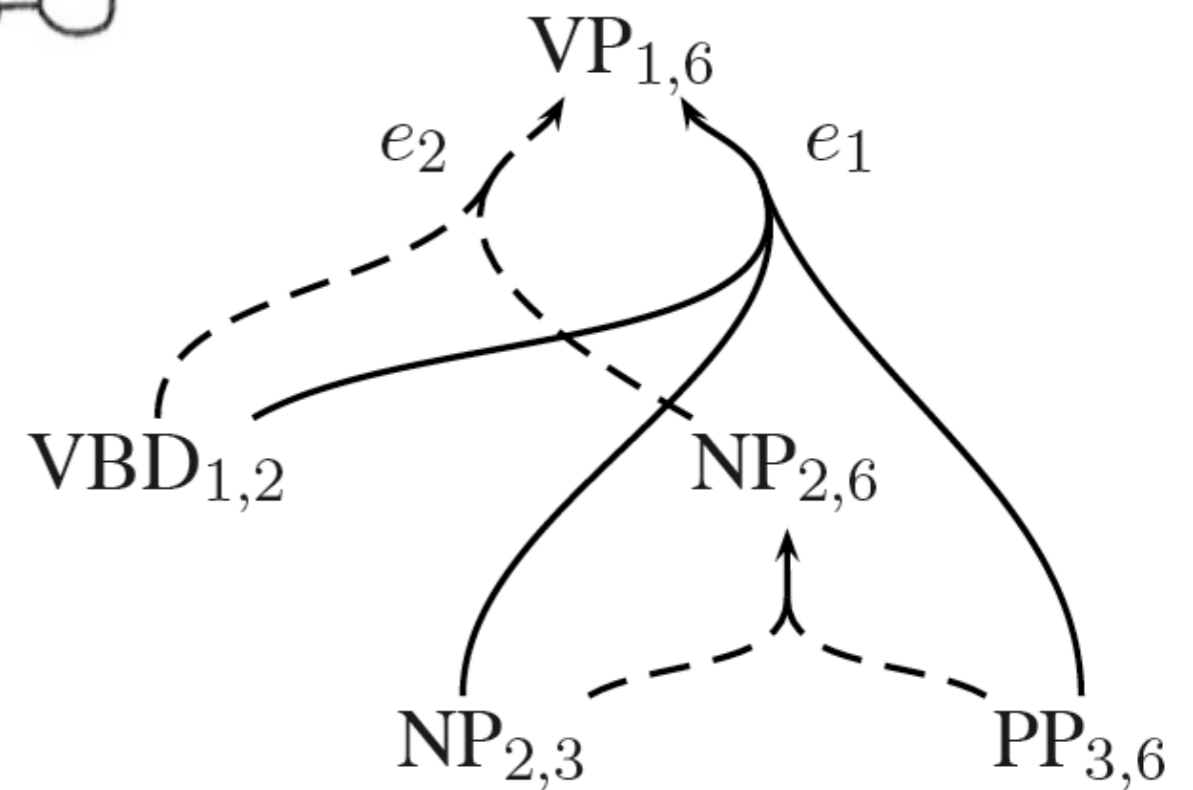
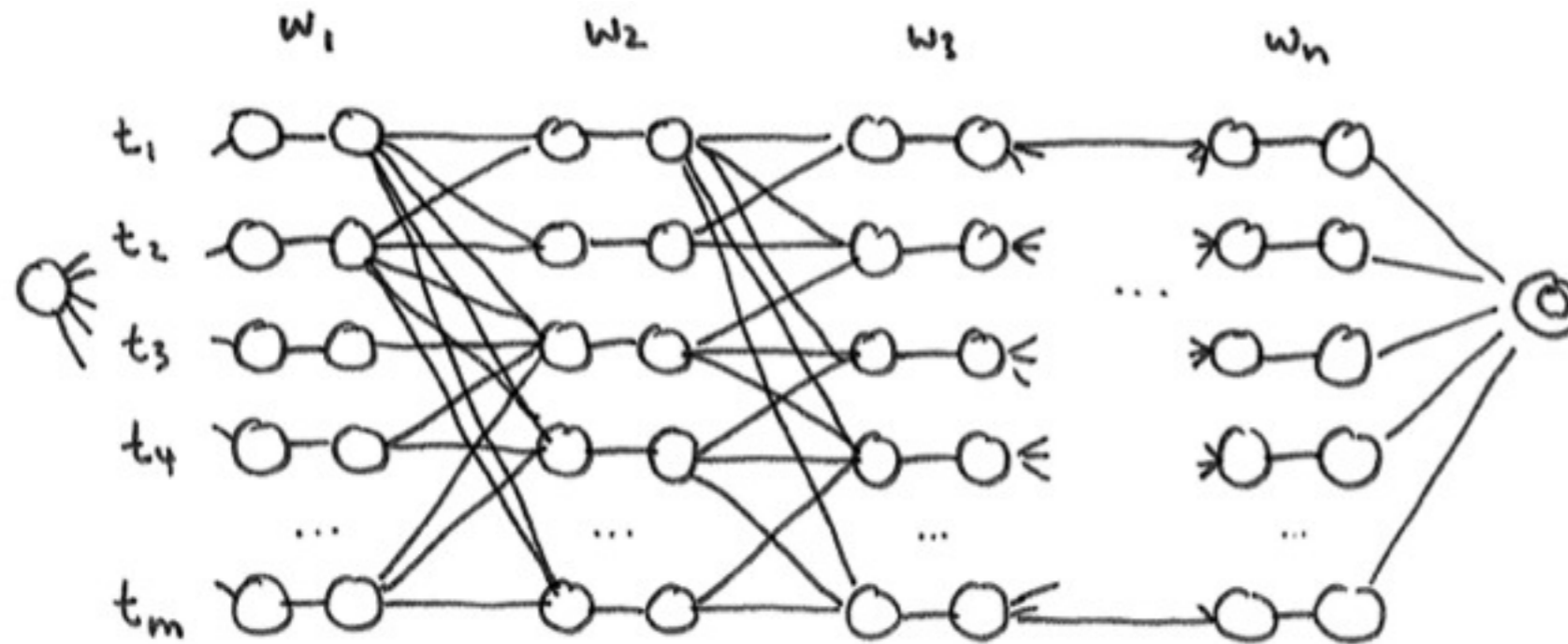


$$e_1 \frac{VBD_{1,2} \quad NP_{2,3} \quad PP_{3,6}}{VP_{1,6}}$$

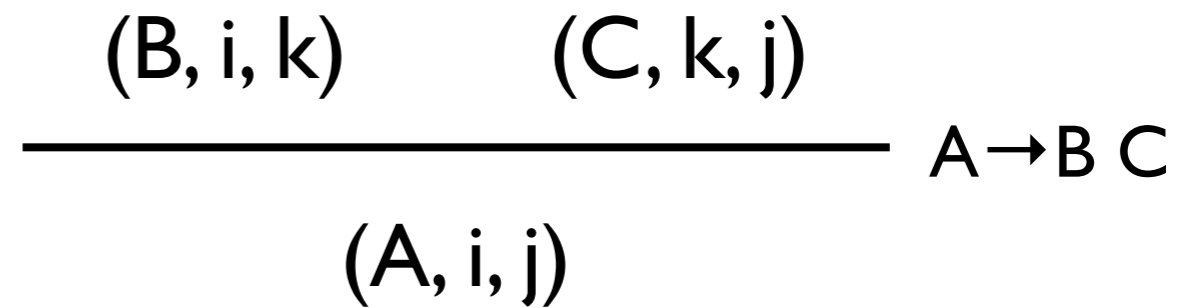
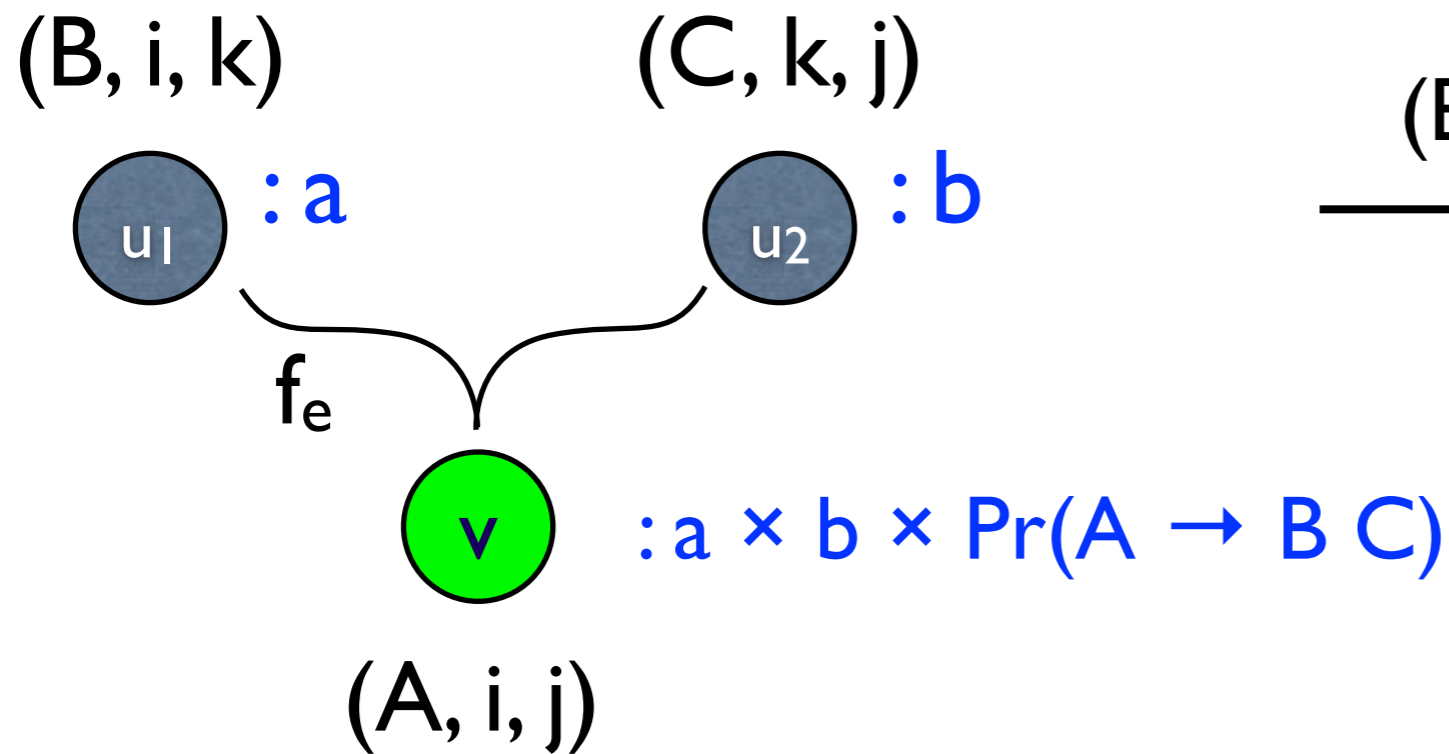
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(Klein and Manning, 2001; Huang and Chiang, 2005)

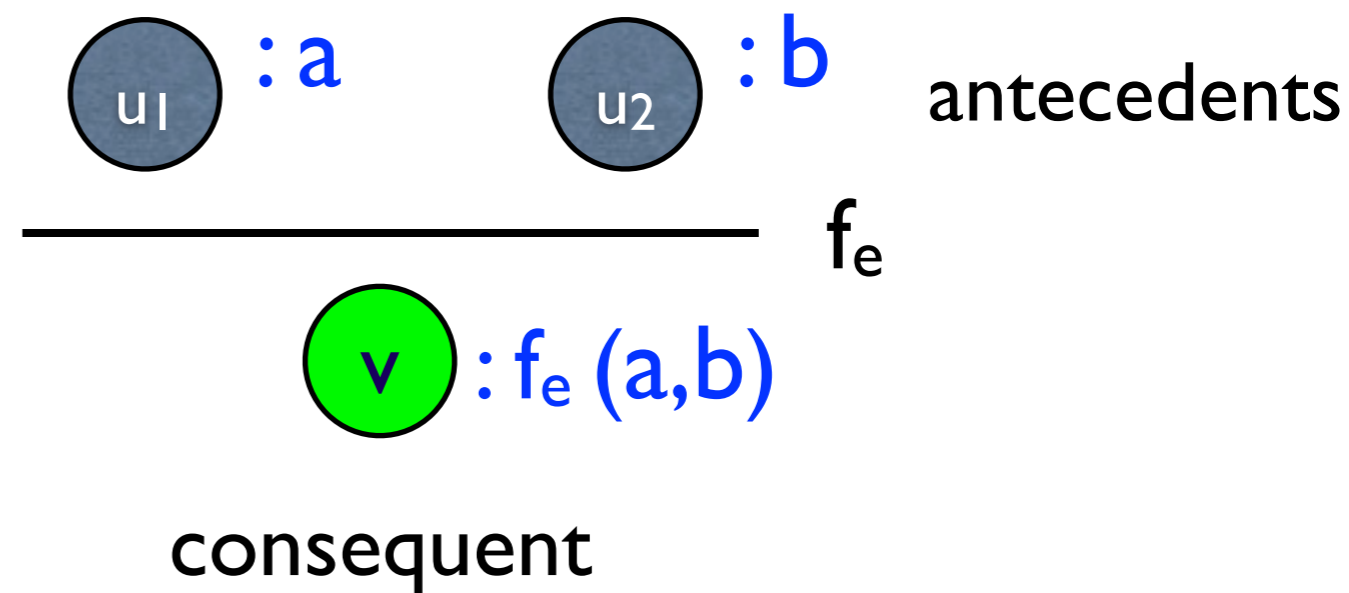
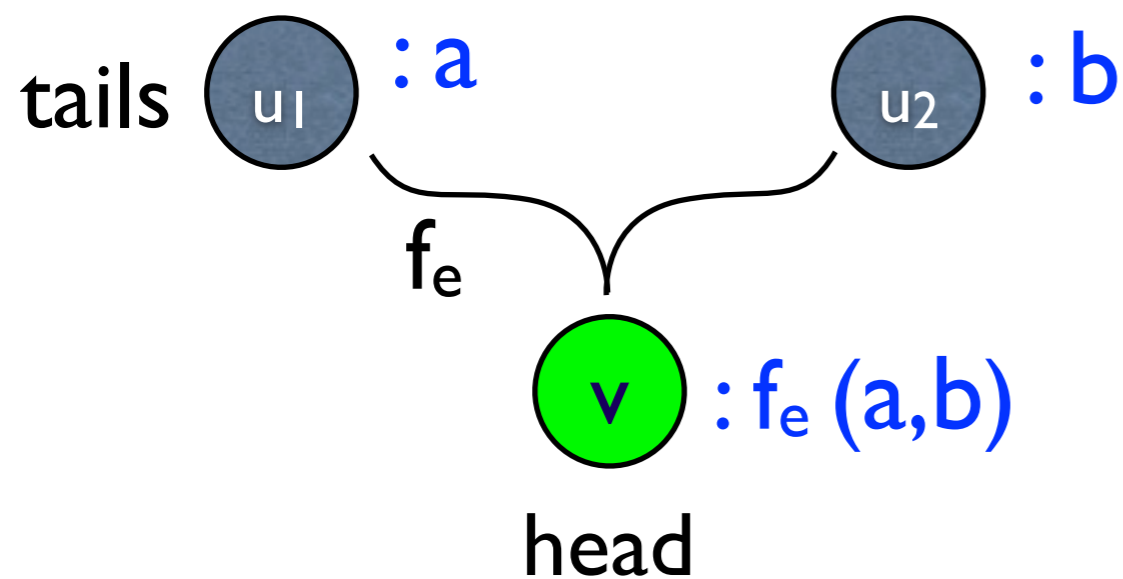
Lattice vs. Forest



Forest and Deduction

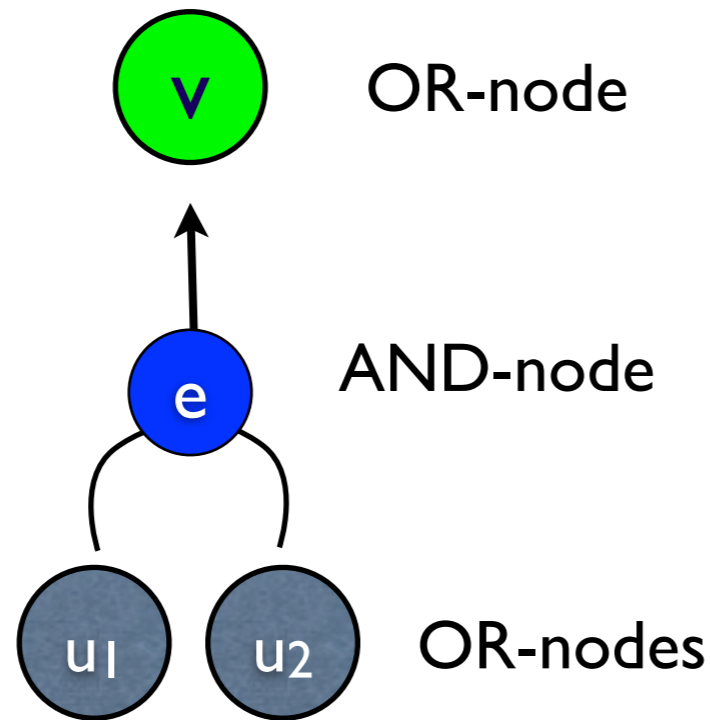
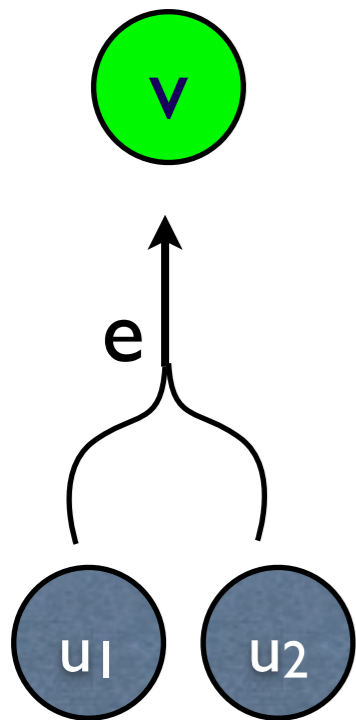


(Nederhof, 2003)



Related Formalisms

| hypergraph | AND/OR graph | context-free grammar | deductive system |
|------------------------|--------------|-----------------------------|---|
| vertex | OR-node | symbol | item |
| source-vertex | leaf OR-node | terminal | axiom |
| target-vertex | root OR-node | start symbol | goal item |
| hyperedge | AND-node | production | instantiated deduction |
| $(\{u_1, u_2\}, v, f)$ | | $v \xrightarrow{f} u_1 u_2$ | $\frac{u_1 : a \quad u_2 : b}{v : f(a, b)}$ |

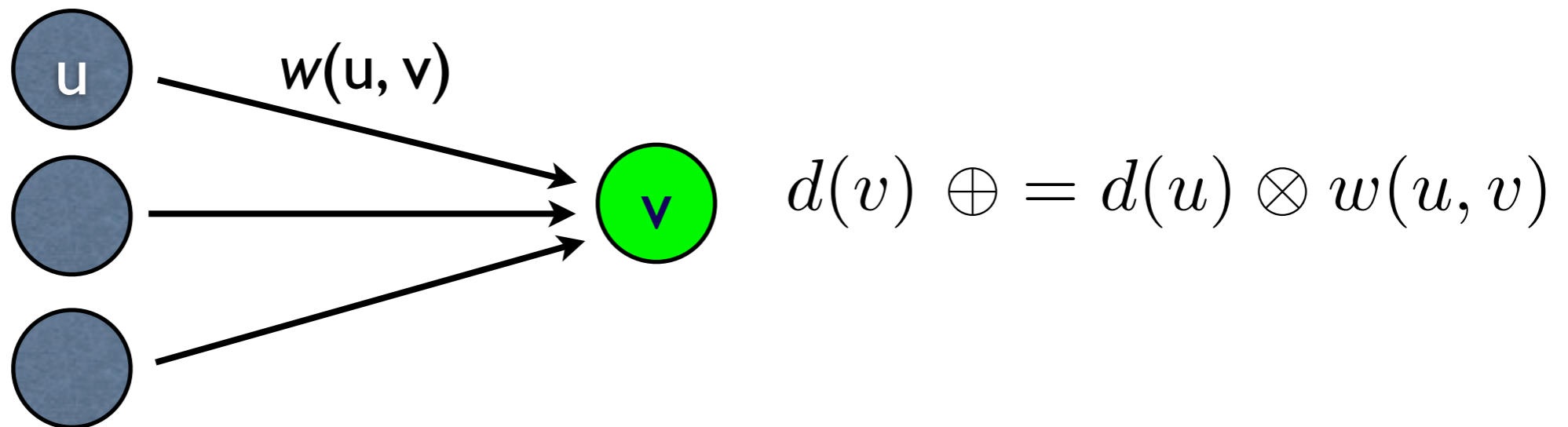


Viterbi Algorithm for DAGs

1. topological sort

2. visit each vertex v in sorted order and do updates

- for each incoming edge (u, v) in E
- use $d(u)$ to update $d(v)$:
- key observation: $d(u)$ is fixed to optimal at this time



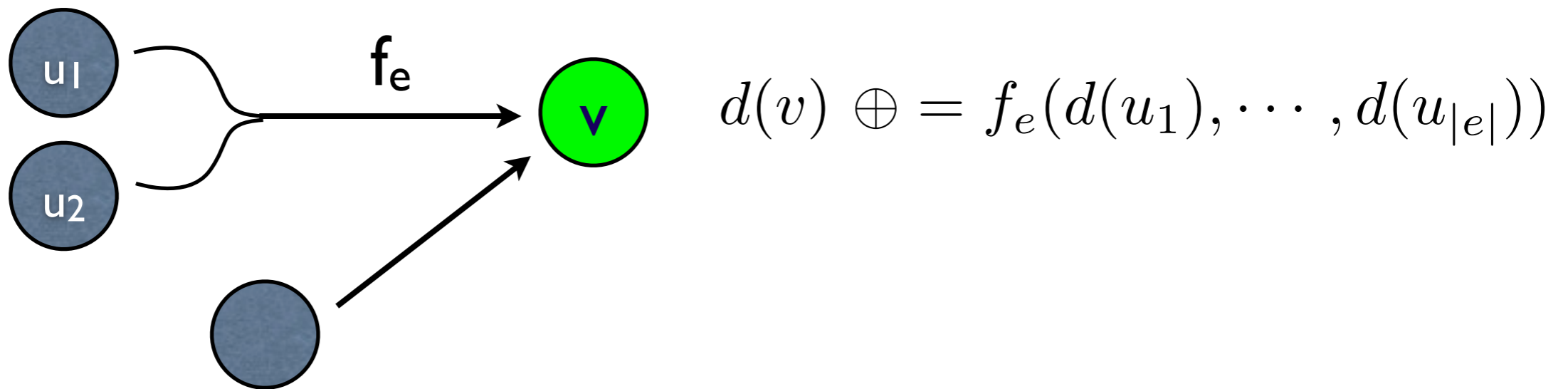
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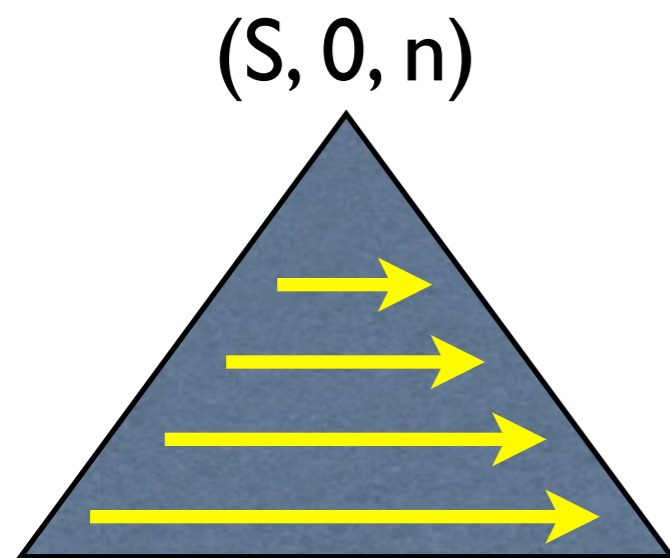
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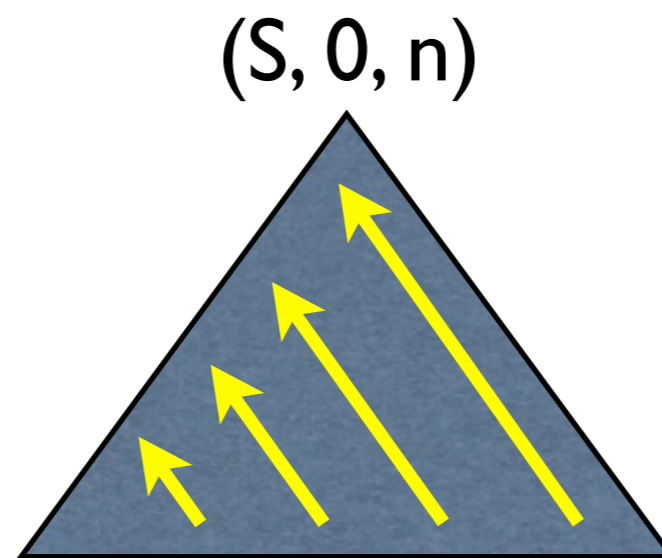
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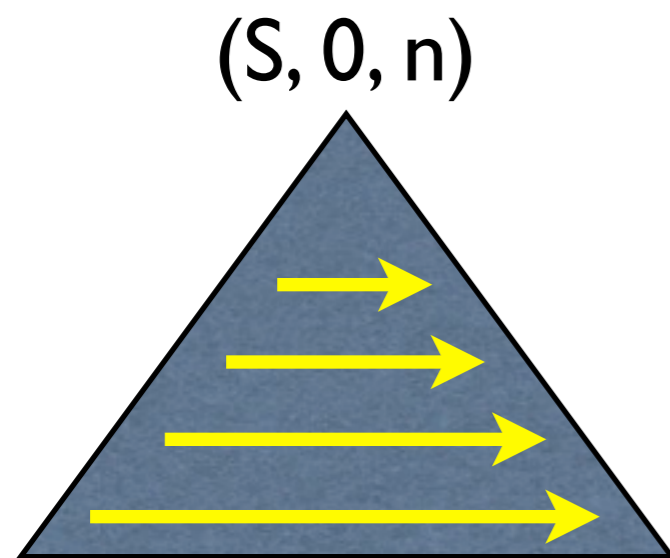
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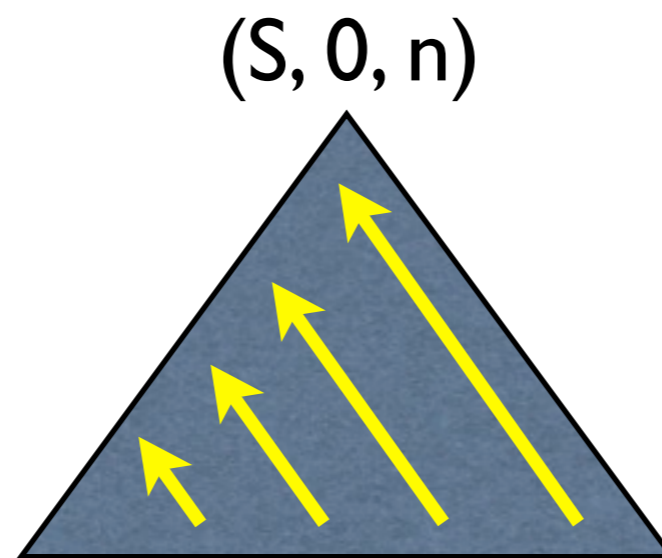
- For each diff ($\leq n$)
 - For each i ($\leq n$)
 - For each rule $X \rightarrow YZ$
 - For each split point k
 $\text{score}[X][i][j] = \max$

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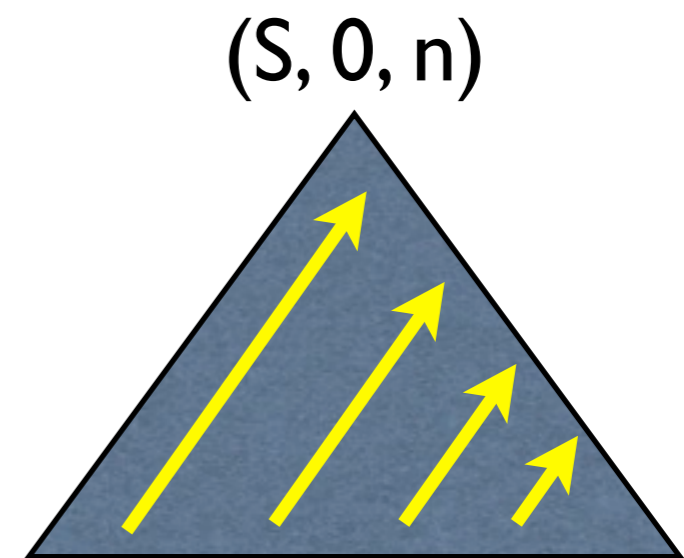
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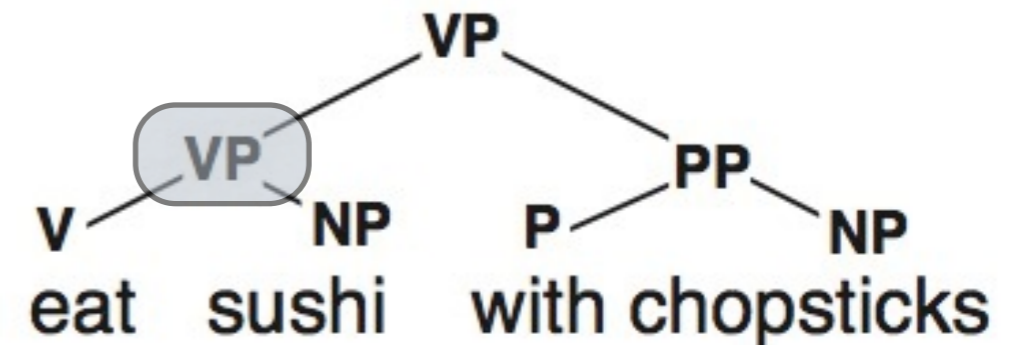
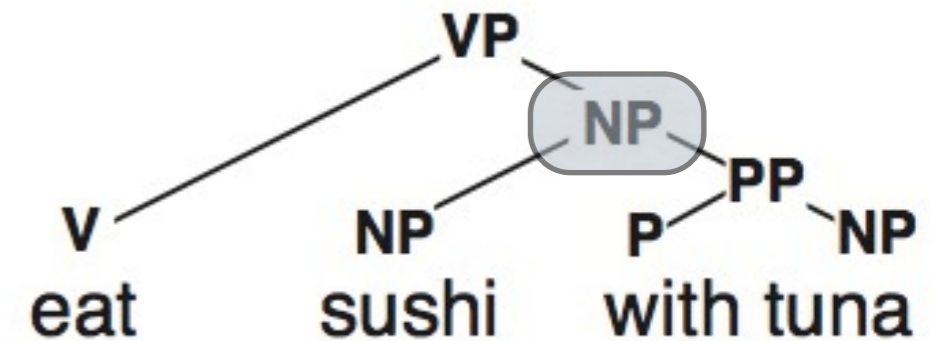
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Parser/Tree Evaluation

- how would you evaluate the quality of output trees?
- need to define a “similarity measure” between trees
 - for sequences, we used
 - same length: hamming distance (e.g., POS tagging)
 - varying length: edit distance (e.g., Japanese transliteration)
 - varying length: precision/recall/F (e.g., word-segmentation)
 - varying length: crossing brackets (e.g., word-segmentation)
 - for trees, we use precision/recall/F and crossing brackets
 - standard “PARSEVAL” metrics (implemented as evalb.py)

PARSEVAL

- comparing nodes (“brackets”):
 - labelled (by default): (NP, 2, 5);
or unlabelled: (2, 5)
- precision: how many predicted nodes are correct?
- recall: how many correct nodes are predicted?
- how to *fake* precision or recall?
- F-score: $F = 2pr / (p + r)$
- other metrics: crossing brackets



matched=6
predicted=7
gold=7
precision=6/7
recall=6/7
F=6/7

Inside-Outside Algorithm

*Forward
Probability*



$t_1 \dots t_{i-1} \quad t_i$

$w_1 \dots w_{i-1} \quad w_i$

*Backward
Probability*



$t_{i+1} \dots t_n$

$w_{i+1} \dots w_n$

| | w_1 | ... | w_{i-1} | w_i | w_{i+1} | ... | w_n |
|-------|-------|-----|-----------|-------|-----------|-----|-------|
| t_1 | | | | | | | |
| ... | | | | | | | |
| t_j | | | | | | | |
| ... | | | | | | | |
| t_T | | | | | | | |

Forward Probability of t_i : $\alpha_i(t)$

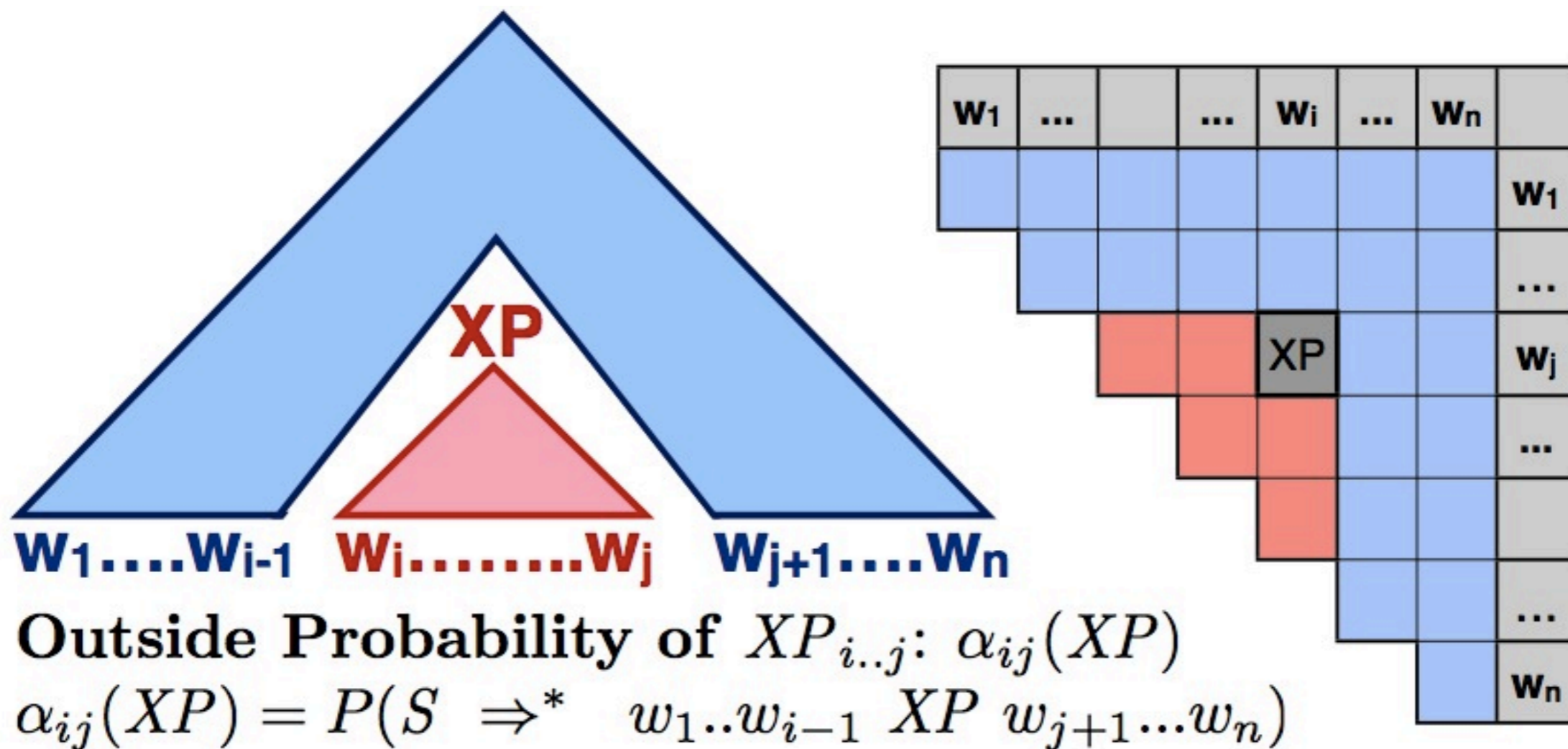
$$\alpha_i(t) = P(w_1 \dots w_i, tag_i = t_i)$$

Backward Probability of t_i : $\beta_i(t)$

$$\beta_i(t) = P(w_{i+1} \dots w_n | tag_i = t)$$

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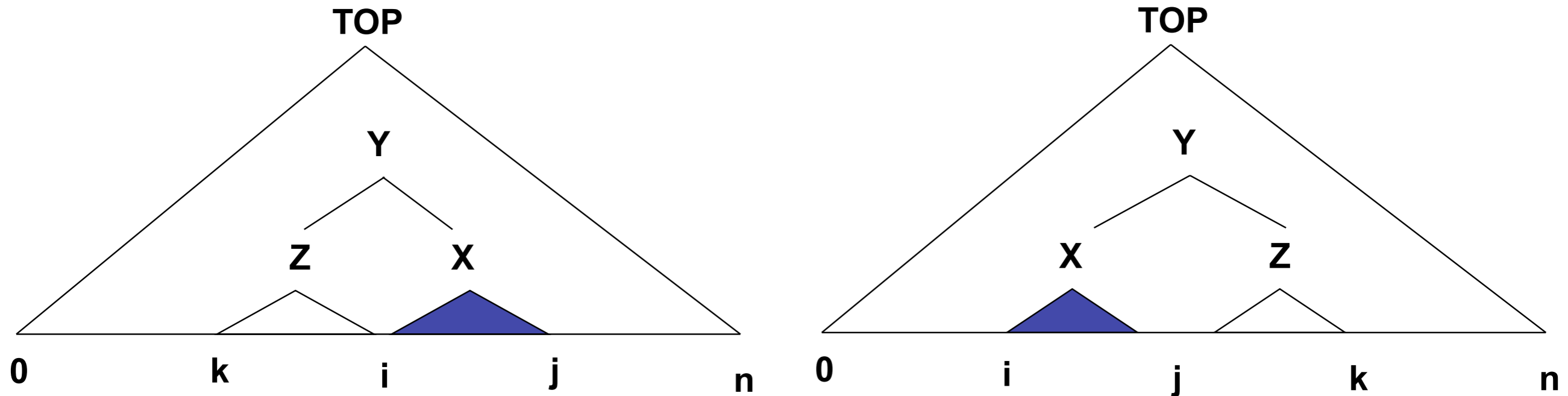
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- inside prob beta is easy to compute (CKY, max=>+)
- what is outside prob $\alpha(X,i,j)$?
 - need to enumerate ways to go to TOP from X,i,j
 - X,i,j can be combined with other nodes on the left/right
 - L: $\sum_{Y \rightarrow Z} \alpha(Y,k,j) \Pr(Y \rightarrow Z | X) \beta(Z,k,i)$
 - R: $\sum_{Y \rightarrow X} \alpha(Y,i,k) \Pr(Y \rightarrow X | Z) \beta(Z,j,k)$
 - why beta is used in alpha? very diff. from F-W algorithm
- what is the likelihood of the sentence?
 - $\beta(\text{TOP}, 0, n)$ or $\alpha(w_i, i, i+1)$ for *any* i

Inside-Outside Algorithm



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- R: $\sum_{\{Y \rightarrow X Z, k\}} \alpha(Y, i, k) \Pr(Y \rightarrow X Z) \beta(Z, j, k)$

Inside-Outside Algorithm

- how do you do EM with alphas and betas?
 - easy; M-step: divide by fractional counts
 - fractional count of rule $(X,i,j \rightarrow Y,i,k Z,k,j)$ is
 - $\alpha(X,i,j) \text{prob}(Y Z|X) \beta(Y,i,k) \beta(Z,k,j)$
- if we replace “+” by “max”, what will alpha/beta mean?
 - beta': Viterbi inside: best way to derive X,i,j
 - alpha': Viterbi outside: best way to go to TOP from X,i,j
- now what is $\alpha'(X, i, j)$ $\beta'(X, i, j)$?
 - best derivation that contains X,i,j (useful for pruning)

Viterbi \Rightarrow CKY

traversing order

| | topological (acyclic) | best-first (superior) |
|--|-----------------------------|--------------------------|
| graphs with semirings (e.g., FSMs) | Viterbi | Dijkstra |
| hypergraphs with weight functions (e.g., CFGs) | Gen. Viterbi (e.g., CKY) | Knuth |

How to generate from a CFG?

- analogy in finite-state world: given a WFSA, generate strings (either randomly or in order)
- Viterbi doesn't work (cycles)
- Dijkstra still works (as long as it's probabilities)
- What's the generalization of Dijkstra in the tree world?

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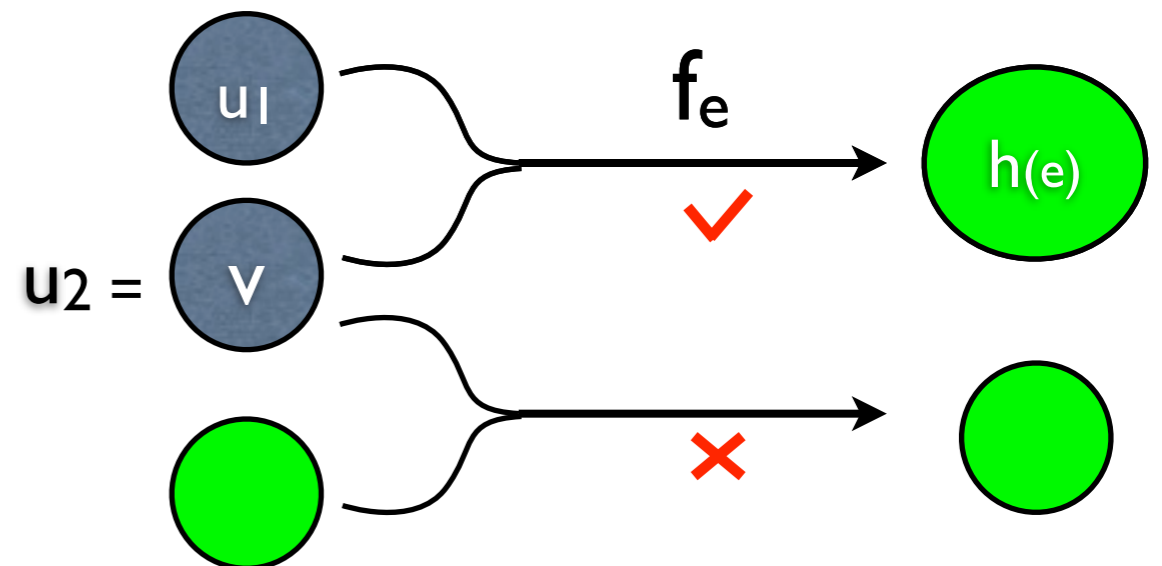
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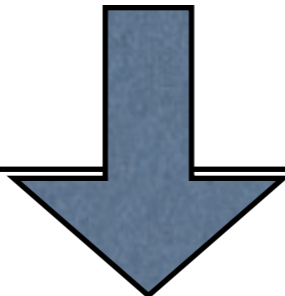
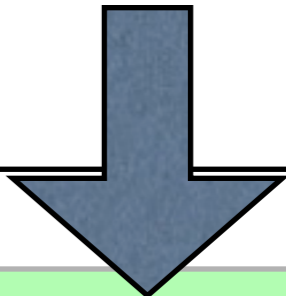



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Example: Treebank Parsers

- State-of-the-art statistical parsers
 - (Collins, 1999; Charniak, 2000)
 - no fixed grammar (every production is possible)
 - can't do backward updates
 - don't know how to decompose a big item
 - forward update from vertex (X, i, j)
 - check all vertices like (Y, j, k) or (Y, k, i) in the chart (fixed)
 - try combine them to form bigger item (Z, i, k) or (Z, k, j)

Two Dimensional Survey

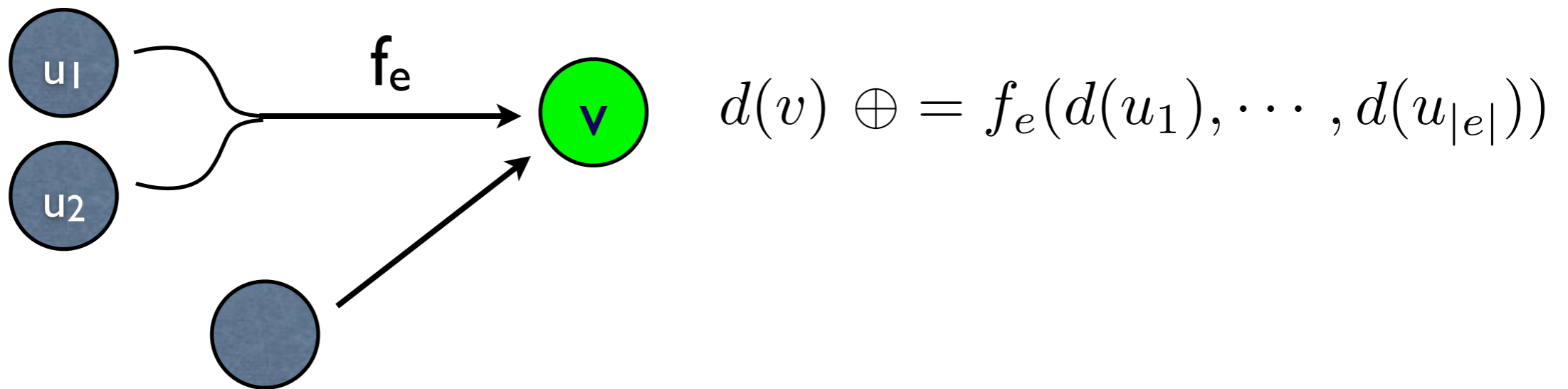
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| search space | graphs with semirings (e.g., FSMs) | Viterbi  | Dijkstra  |
| | hypergraphs with weight functions (e.g., CFGs) | Generalized Viterbi |  |

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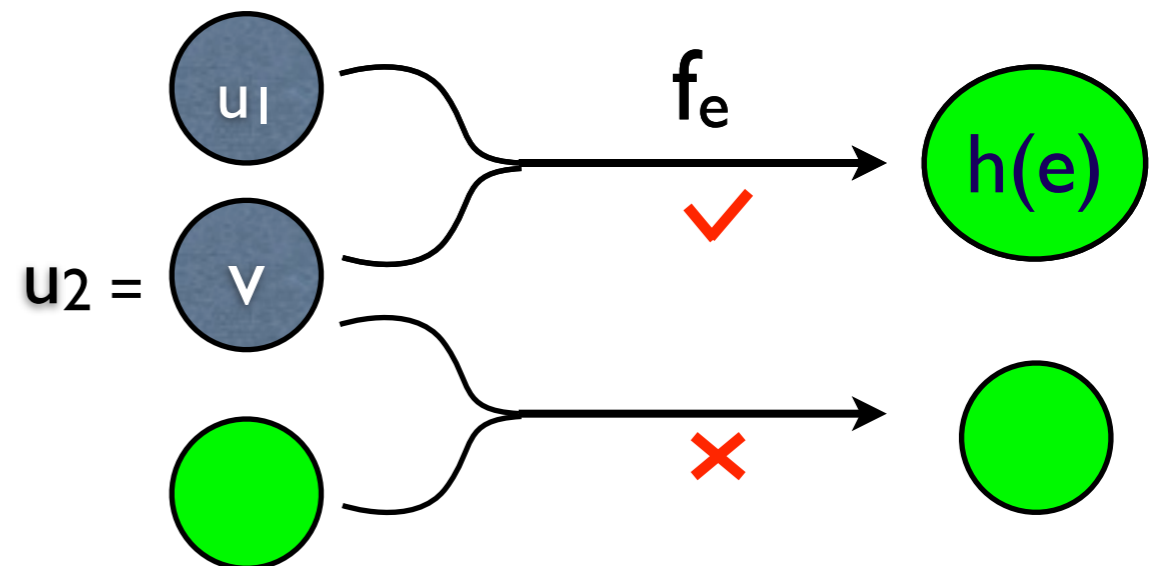
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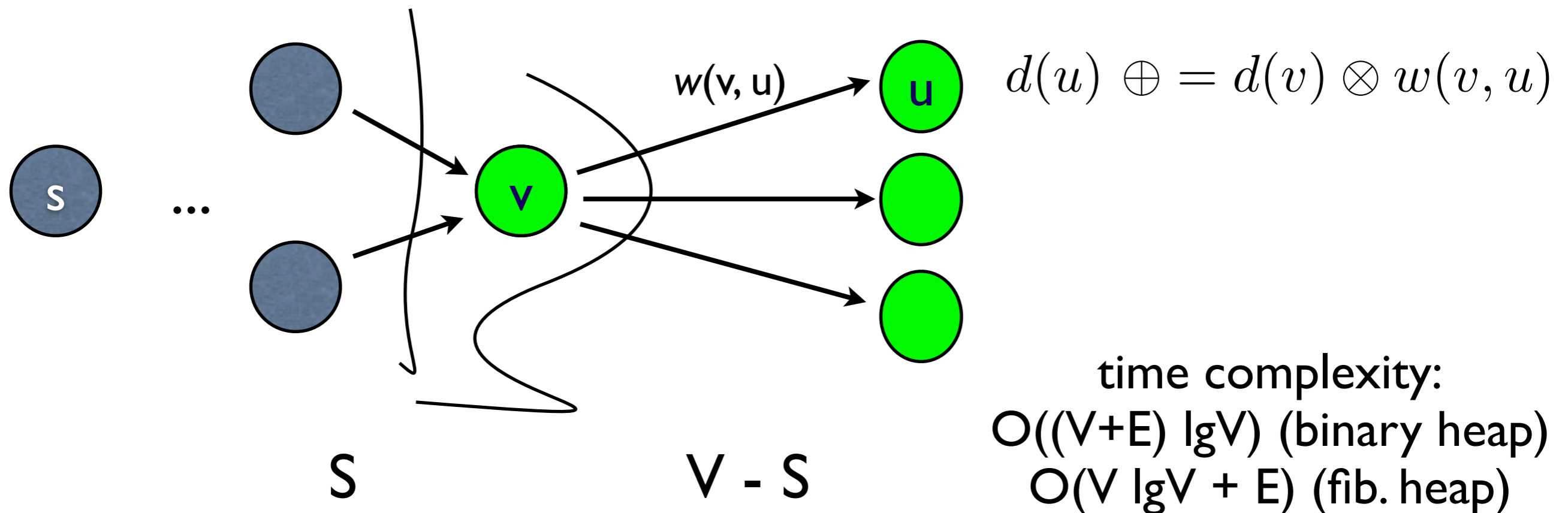
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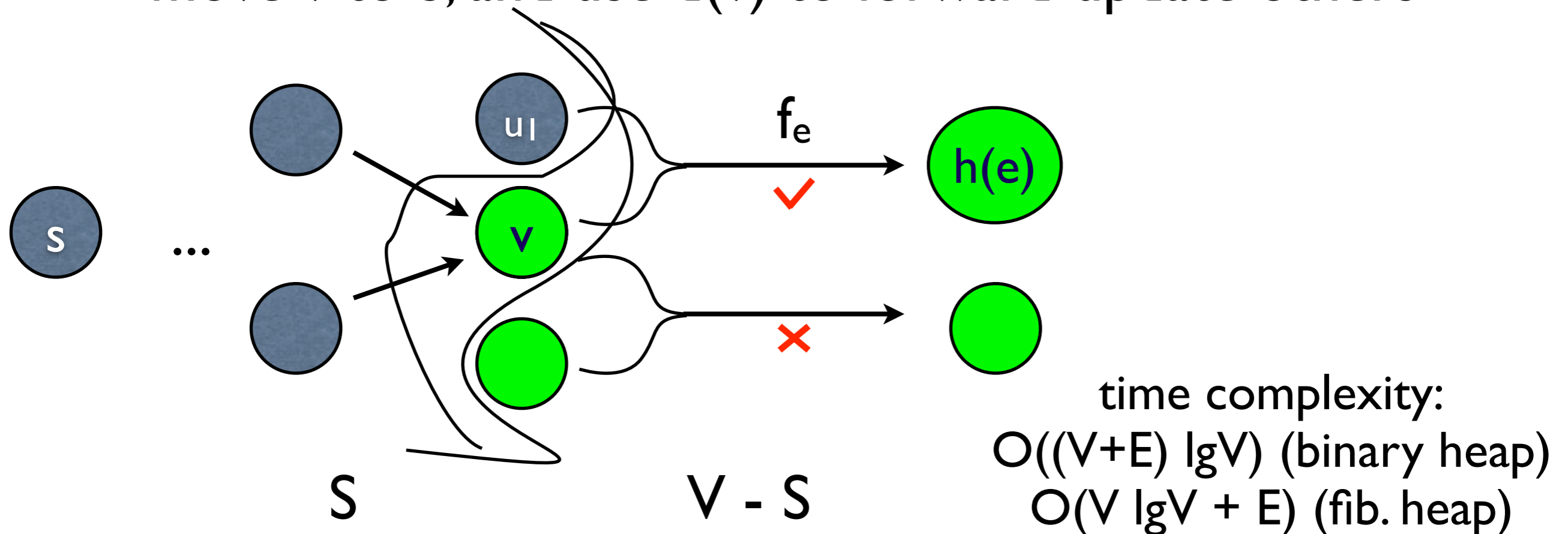
Dijkstra Algorithm

- keep a cut $(S : V - S)$ where S vertices are fixed
- maintain a priority queue Q of $V - S$ vertices
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- move v to S , and use $d(v)$ to forward-update others



Knuth (1977) Algorithm

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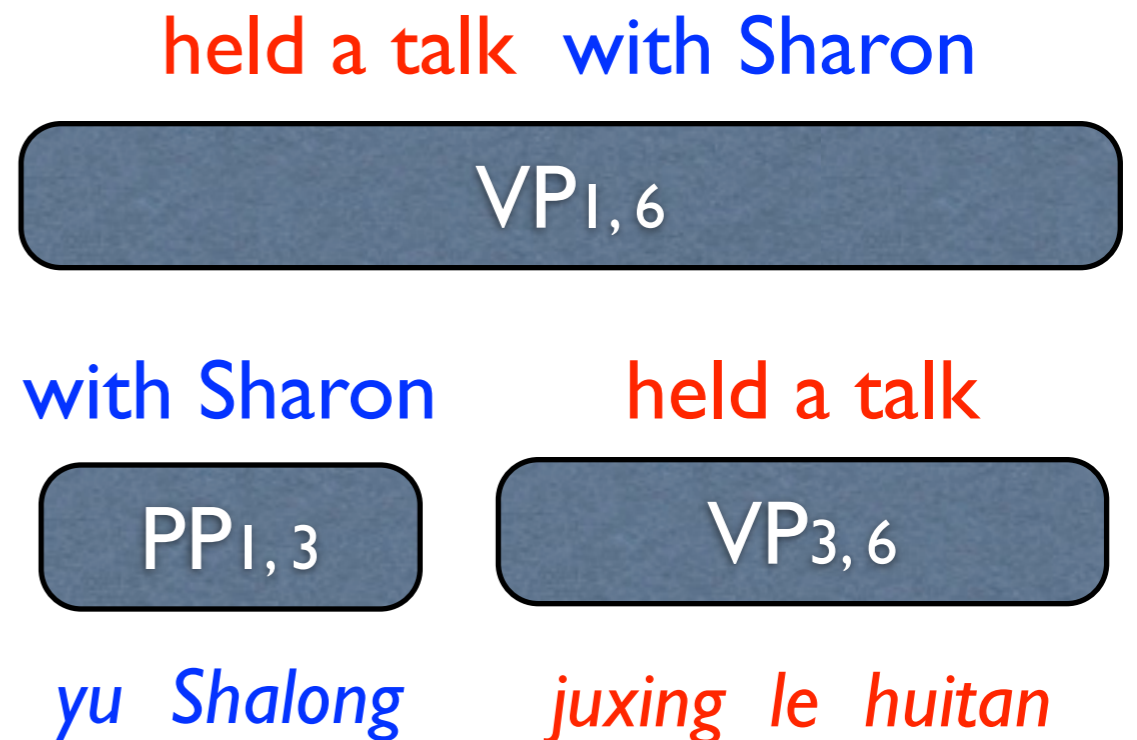
- Parsing and can be viewed as:
 - search in the space of possible trees
 - (logical/probabilistic) deduction
 - intersection / composition
 - generation (from intersected grammar)
 - forest building
- Parsing algorithms introduced so far are DPs:
 - CKY: simplest, external binarization -- implement in hw5
 - intersection + Knuth 77: best-first search

Translation as Parsing

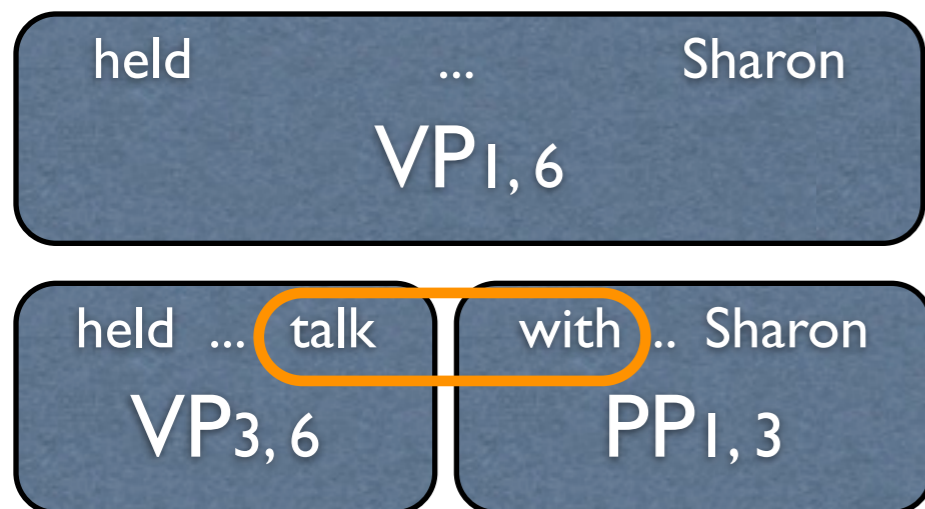
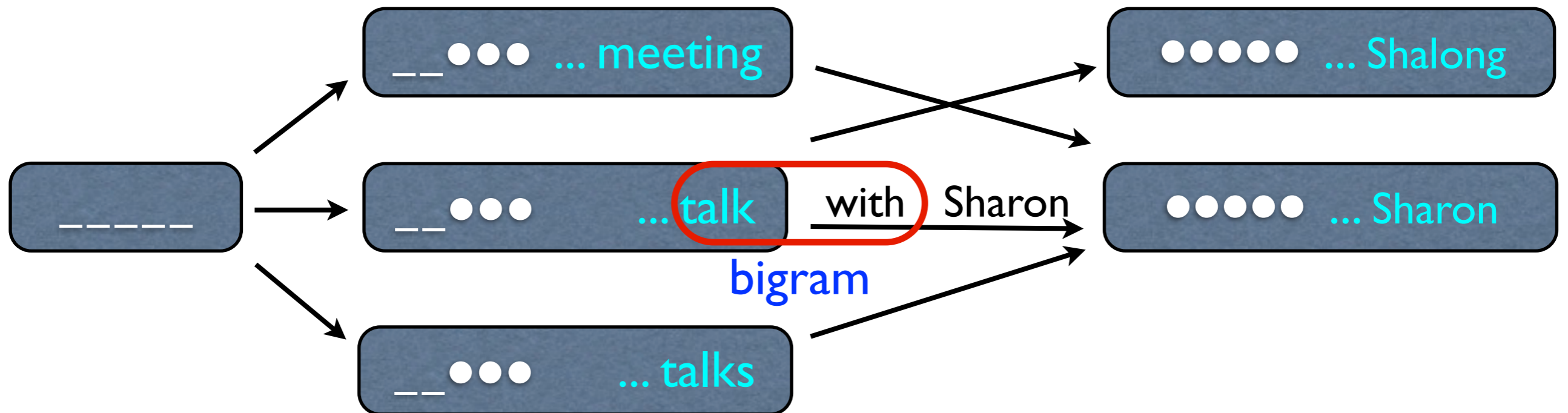
- translation with SCFGs => monolingual parsing
- parse the source input with the source projection
 - build the corresponding target sub-strings in parallel

$VP \rightarrow PP^{(1)} VP^{(2)},$
 $VP \rightarrow \textit{juxing le huitan},$
 $PP \rightarrow \textit{yu Shalong},$

complexity: same as
CKY parsing -- $O(n^3)$



Adding a Bigram Model



complexity: $O(n^3 V^{4(m-1)})$

