

Szeged at EPE 2017: First Experiments in a Generalized Syntactic Parsing Framework

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Introduction

- **Motivations**
 - Utilize the graph based input format
 - Different parser models to different tasks
- **3 methods**
 - Quick experiments



Parse Distribution as Input for Downstream Applications

- **Traditional way: one parse for one document**
- **Distribution of the edges**
- **K-best parsing**
- **Similar to the product parsing techniques in constituent parsing**



Parse Distribution as Input for Downstream Applications

- 10-best parsing
- Keep all edges in graph format
- Count of same edges added as new property
- For all experiments: mate parser
- MST-Parser 10-best (Unidep 2.0)
- The downstream applications only handled one edge between two nodes
→ **We couldn't improve our scores**



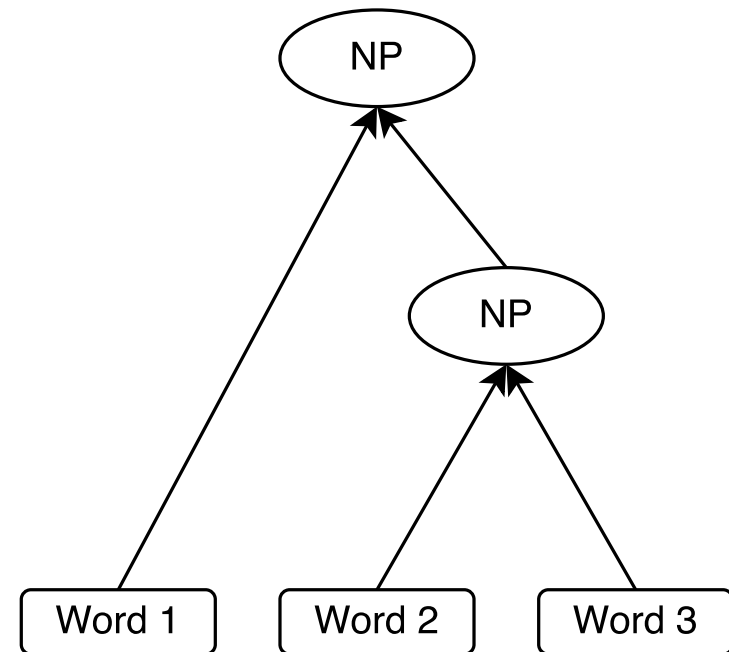
Constituents in the Relational Representation

- **Several applications might prefer constituent parses instead of dependency trees**
 - Scope detection
- **Many ways to convert constituents to the EPE's graph format**



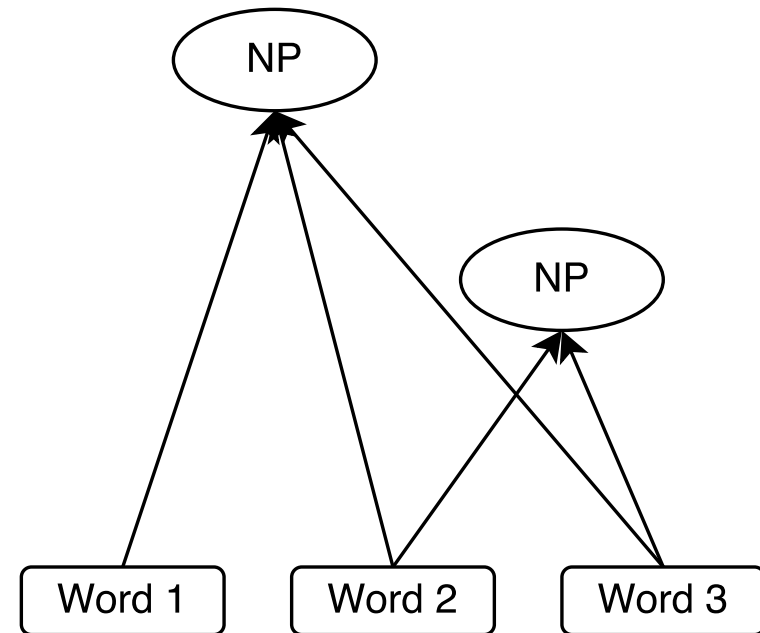
Constituents in the Relational Representation

- **Create new nodes for constituents**
- **Edges: child–parent relations**



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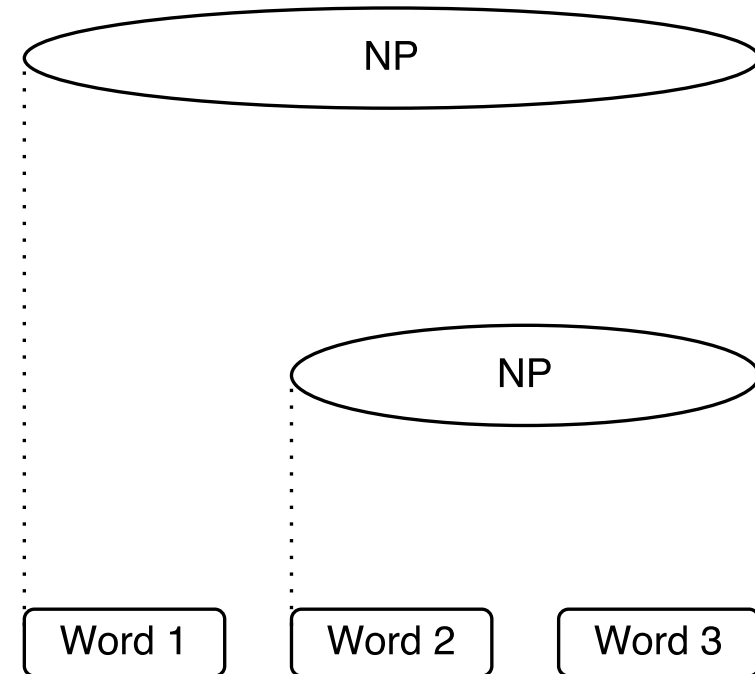
- **Create new nodes for constituents**
- **Edges: Constituent - generated words**





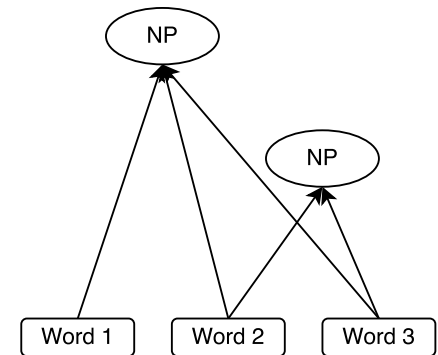
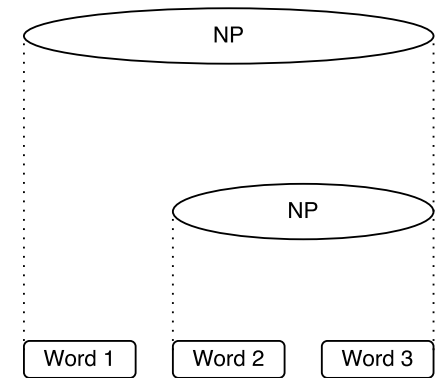
Constituents in the Relational Representation

- **Create new nodes for constituents**
- **Assign their scope to them**



Constituents in the Relational Representation

- We used the combination of 2nd and 3rd method
- Mate + Berkeley Parser



Constituents in the Relational Representation

- **Results on negation detection task:**

| | mate | | mate + berkeley | |
|---------------|--------------|--------------|-----------------|--------------|
| | dev | test | dev | test |
| Scope Match | 78.42 | 80.00 | 77.98 | 81.14 |
| Scope Tokens | 86.64 | 89.17 | 87.38 | 89.27 |
| Event Match | 75.47 | 67.90 | 72.90 | 65.20 |
| Full Negation | 62.15 | 61.98 | 59.91 | 61.26 |



Label Set Adjustment Driven by Downstream Applications

- **Different downstream applications might utilize different types of grammatical patterns**
- **Collapse labels by downstream applications**

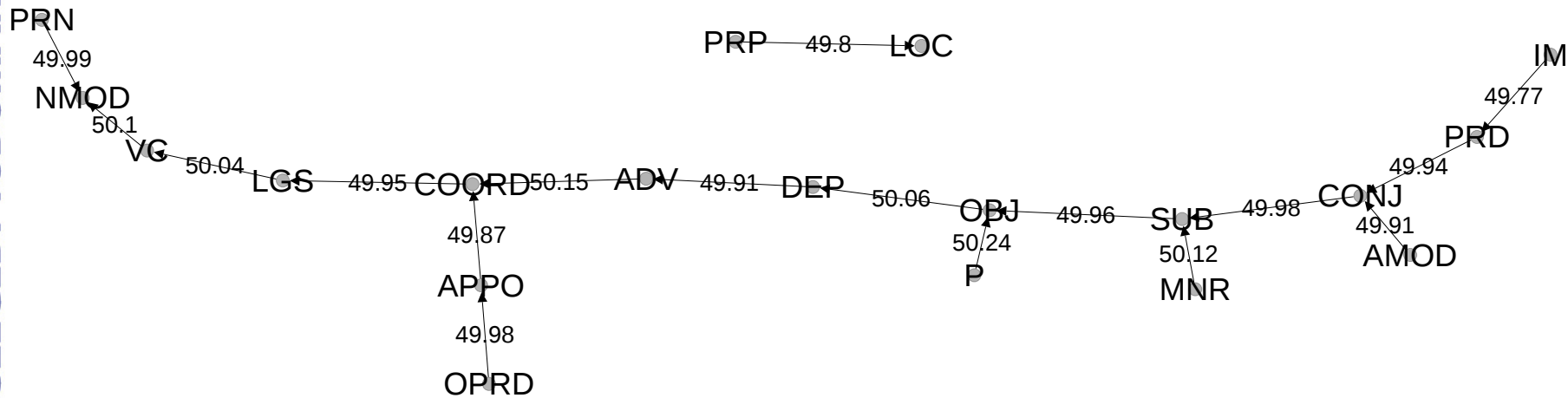


Label Set Adjustment Driven by Downstream Applications

- **Replace one label with another**
- **Run the downstream application**
- **Calculate scores for all possible replacements**
 - Complete graph
 - Nodes: dependency label
 - Edges: score for the application
- **Keep the outcoming edges with maximum weight for all nodes**



Label Set Adjustment Driven by Downstream Applications



- **Started replacing the nodes from the highest edge weight to the lowest**
- **Calculated scores at each step**



Label Set Adjustment Driven by Downstream Applications

- **Experiments**
 - Turku Event Extraction System
 - Replacement in prediction step
 - **Best result after collapsing of 3 labels**

| | Event Extraction | Negation Resolution | Opinion Analysis |
|-------------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| mate | 47.84 | 61.98 | 65.87 |
| mate + label adjustment | 47.37 | 60.53 | 66.33 |



Summary

- **3 methods**
 - Used k-best parse by the downstream application
 - Constituent and dependency trees in general framework
 - Collapsed edge labels according to downstream application
- **All methods require future work and detailed analysis**

