# Part 3: Main Statistical Methods

### Part 3.1: Graph-based Methods

# Graph-based Methods

- Training: Score ⇔ Correctness
- Decoding model score
  - enumerate all candidate structures; scoring each and selecting the highest scored structure

# Sequence Labeling Models

**CRF** 
$$P(y_{[1:n]}|x_{[1:n]}) \propto \frac{1}{Z_{y_{[1:n]}}} \prod_{t=1}^{n} \exp\left(\frac{\sum_{j} \lambda_{j} f_{j}(y_{t}, y_{t-1})}{+\sum_{k} \mu_{k} g_{k}(y_{t}, x_{t})}\right)$$





where  $GEN(x_{[1:n]})$  is all possible tag sequences

# Viterbi Algorithm

- Define a dynamic programming table
  - $\pi(i, y)$  = maximum score of a tag sequence ending in tag y at position i
- Recursive definition:  $\pi(i, y) = \max_{t} \left( \pi(i 1, t) + \mathbf{w} \cdot \mathbf{f}(x_{[1:n]}, y, t) \right)$



# **Constituency Parsing**



# **Constituency Parsing with CRF**

Probability of a tree T conditioned on a sentence w

$$p(T|\mathbf{w}) \propto \exp\left(\theta^{\mathsf{T}} \sum_{r \in T} f(r, \mathbf{w})\right)$$

More features



Hall D, Durrett G, Klein D (2014) Less grammar, more features. ACL.

# Chart-based Method

- E.g. Cocke–Younger–Kasami algorithm (CYK or CKY)
  - A kind of Dynamic Programming





# **CKY Parsing Algorithm**

**Input:** a sentence  $s = x_1 \dots x_n$ , a PCFG  $G = (N, \Sigma, S, R, q)$ . **Initialization:** For all  $i \in \{1 \dots n\}$ , for all  $X \in N$ ,  $\pi(i,i,X) = \begin{cases} q(X \to x_i) & \text{if } X \to x_i \in R \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$ Algorithm: • For  $l = 1 \dots (n-1)$ - For  $i = 1 \dots (n - l)$ \* Set j = i + l\* For all  $X \in N$ , calculate  $\pi(i,j,X) = \max_{X \to YZ \in R_i} \ \left( q(X \to YZ) \times \pi(i,s,Y) \times \pi(s+1,j,Z) \right)$  $s \in \{i ... (j-1)\}$ and  $bp(i, j, X) = \arg \max_{\substack{X \to YZ \in R, \\ s \in \{i, (i-1)\}}} (q(X \to YZ) \times \pi(i, s, Y) \times \pi(s+1, j, Z))$  $s \in \{i \dots (j-1)\}$ **Output:** Return  $\pi(1, n, S) = \max_{t \in \mathcal{T}(s)} p(t)$ , and backpointers bp which allow recovery of  $\arg \max_{t \in \mathcal{T}(s)} p(t)$ .

# **Graph-based Dependency Parsing**

• Find the highest scoring tree from a complete dependency graph



# First-order as an Example

• The first-order graph-based method assumes that arcs in a tree are independent from each other (arc-factorization)



### Features for an Arc

\*



fans neared went

wild

	[went]	[VBD]	[As]
	[VERB]	[As]	[IN]
	[went, As]	[VBD, ADP]	[went, VERB]
	[VERB, IN]	[VBD, As, ADP]	[went, As, ADP]
	[ADJ, *, ADP]	[VBD, *, ADP]	[VBD, ADJ, ADP]
	[NNS, VBD, ADP]	[NNS, VBD, *]	[ADJ, ADP, NNP]
	[NNS, ADP, NNP]	[NNS, VBD, NNP]	[went, left, 5]
	[ADP, left, 5]	[VERB, As, IN]	[went, As, IN]
	[JJ, *, IN]	[VERB, *, IN]	[VERB, JJ, IN]
	[NOUN, VERB, IN]	[NOUN, VERB, *]	[JJ, IN, NOUN]
	[NOUN, IN, NOUN]	[NOUN, VERB, NOUN]	[went, left, 5]
	[IN, left, 5]	[went, VBD, As, ADP]	[VBD, ADJ, *, ADP]
	[NNS, VBD, ADP, NNP]	[went, VBD, left, 5]	[As, ADP, left, 5]
	[went, VERB, As, IN]	[VERB, JJ, *, IN]	[NOUN, VERB, *, IN]
	[went, VERB, left, 5]	[As, IN, left, 5]	[went, As, left, 5]
	[went, As, ADP, left, 5]	[went, VBD, ADP, left, 5]	[went, VBD, As, left, 5]
	[VBD, ADJ, ADP, left, 5]	[VBD, ADJ, *, left, 5]	[NNS, *, ADP, left, 5]
	[ADJ, ADP, NNP, left, 5]	[VBD, ADP, NNP, left, 5]	[VBD, ADJ, NNP, left, 5]
	[VERB, As, IN, left, 5]	[went, As, IN, left, 5]	[went, VERB, IN, left, 5]
2017-1	[VERB, *, IN, left, 5]	[VERB, JJ, IN, left, 5]	[VERB, JJ, *, left, 5]

[ADP] [went, VBD] [As, IN] [went, VBD, ADP] [VBD, ADJ, \*] [VBD, ADP, NNP] [VBD, left, 5] [went, VERB, IN] [VERB, JJ, \*] [VERB, IN, NOUN] [VERB, left, 5] [NNS, VBD, \*, ADP] [went, As, left, 5] [VERB, JJ, IN, NOUN] [VERB, IN, left, 5] [ADJ, \*, ADP, left, 5] [NNS, VBD, ADP, left, 5] [NNS, ADP, NNP, left, 5] [went, VERB, As, left, 5] [NOUN, \*, IN, left, 5]

[went] [As, ADP] [went, As] [went, VBD, As] [NNS, \*, ADP] [VBD, ADJ, NNP] [As, left, 5] [went, VERB, As] [NOUN, \*, IN] [VERB, JJ, NOUN] [As, left, 5] [VBD, ADJ, ADP, NNP] [VBD, ADP, left, 5] [NOUN, VERB, IN, NOUN] [VBD, As, ADP, left, 5] [VBD, \*, ADP, left, 5] [NNS, VBD, \*, left, 5] [NNS, VBD, NNP, left, 5] [JJ, \*, IN, left, 5] [NOUN, VERB, IN, left, 5]

# Decoding for first-order model

- Maximum Spanning Tree (MST) Algorithm
- Eisner (2000) described a **dynamic programming** based decoding algorithm for bilexical grammar
- McDonald et al. (2005) applied this algorithm to the search problem of the second-order model
- Koo et al. (2010) investigate third-order model

# Part 3.2: Transition-based Methods

### **Transition Systems**

- Automata
  - State
    - Start state —— an empty structure
    - End state —— the output structure
    - Intermediate states partially constructed structures
  - Actions
    - Change one state to another















### • State

Corresponds to partial results during decoding

• start state, end state, S<sub>i</sub>



### •Actions

- The operations that can be applied for state transition
- Construct output incrementally

# Examples

• POS tagging

I like reading books  $\rightarrow$  I/PRON like/VERB reading/VERB books/NOUN

#### • Transition system

- State
  - Partially labeled word-POS pairs
  - Unprocessed words
- Actions
  - TAG(t)  $w_1/t_1 \cdots wi/t_i \rightarrow w_1/t_1 \cdots w_i/t_i w_{i+1}/t$

• Start State

I like reading books

• TAG(PRON)

I/PRON

like reading books

• TAG(VERB)

I/PRON like/VERB

reading books

• TAG(VERB)

I/PRON like/VERB reading/VERB

books

• TAG (NOUN)

I/PRON like/VERB reading/VERB books/NOUN

• End State

I/PRON like/VERB reading/VERB books/NOUN

### Word segmentation

#### State

- Partially segmented results
- Unprocessed characters
- Two candidate actions
  - Separate ## ## → ## ## #
  - Append ## ## → ## ###

### Word segmentation

• Initial State



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### Word segmentation

• Separate

我

喜欢读书

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• Separate

我 喜

欢读书

• Append

我 喜欢

读书

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• Separate

我 喜欢 读

书

#### • Separate

我 喜欢 读 书

End State

我 喜欢 读 书

- State
  - A stack to hold partial structures
  - A queue of next incoming words
- Actions
  - SHIFT, REDUCE, ARC-LEFT, ARC-RIGHT

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State



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- Actions
  - SHIFT



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- Actions
  - SHIFT



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- Actions
  - REDUCE



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- Actions
  - REDUCE



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- Actions
  - ARC-LEFT



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- Actions
  - ARC-LEFT



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- Actions
  - ARC-RIGHT



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- Actions
  - ARC-RIGHT



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- An Example
  - S-SHIFT
  - R-REDUCE
  - AL-ARC-LEFT
  - AR-ARC-RIGHT He does it here

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- An Example
  - S-SHIFT
  - R-REDUCE
  - AL-ARC-LEFT
  - AR-ARC-RIGHT He does it here S→ He does it here

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  - S-SHIFT
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- Actions
  - SHIFT

stack queue NR布朗 VV访问 NR上海

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#### Actions

• SHIFT



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- Actions
  - REDUCE-UNARY-X



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- Actions
  - REDUCE-UNARY-X



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- Actions
  - REDUCE-UNARY-X



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- Actions
  - REDUCE-BINARY-{L/R}-X



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- Actions
  - REDUCE-BINARY-{L/R}-X



queue

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- Actions
  - REDUCE-BINARY-{L/R}-X



queue

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- Actions
  - TERMINATE



queue

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- Actions
  - TERMINATE



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- Example
  - SHIFT

stack		queue						
	-	DT   The	ADJ   little	NN   boy	VV   likes	ADJ   red	NNS   tomatoes	

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- Example
  - SHIFT



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- Example
  - SHIFT



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- Example
  - REDUCE-R-NP



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- Example
  - REDUCE-R-NP



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Example
SHIFT



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queue

- Example
  - REDUCE-R-NP



stack

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- Example
  - REDUCE-L-NP



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- Example
  - SHIFT



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- Example
  - REDUCE-L-S



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• Example



• Example



red tomatoes

#### Features

- Non-local Features
  - Extracted from top nodes on the stack S0, S1, S2, S3, the left and right or single child of S0 and S1, and the first words on the queue N0, N1, N2, N3.



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# **Transition-based Methods**

- Rich features
- Fast speed
- Search error

# Search Space





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- Dependency Parsing Example
  - Decoding



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Decoding



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Decoding



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Decoding



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• Decoding



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**function** BEAM-SEARCH(*problem*, *agenda*, *candidates*, *B*)

```
candidates \leftarrow \{ STARTITEM(problem) \} \\agenda \leftarrow CLEAR(agenda) \\\textbf{loop do} \\\textbf{for each } candidate \textbf{ in } candidates \\agenda \leftarrow INSERT(EXPAND(candidate, problem), agenda) \\best \leftarrow TOP(agenda) \\\textbf{if } GOALTEST(problem, best) \\\textbf{then return } best \\candidates \leftarrow TOP-B(agenda, B) \\agenda \leftarrow CLEAR(agenda) \\\end{cases}
```

# **Global Training**

# **Structured Learning**

- Model whole sequences of actions
  - Correspond to structures

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# Learning guided search

• Search not optional (vs graph-based structured prediction)

