

Combinatory Categorical Grammar 2

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Zur Erinnerung: Combinatory Categorical Grammar



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- Kann folgende Phänomene erklären:
 - Bindung / Kontrolle (Reflexivpronomen)
 - Lange Abhängigkeiten (Relativsätze)
 - Koordination
 - Kreuzende Abhängigkeiten (Holländisches Beispiel; → mild kontextabhängig)
- direkte Syntax-Semantik Schnittstelle

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CCG Combinatory Rules

Forward and Backward Application (with Semantics):

Forward Application: $X/Y : f \quad Y : a \quad \Rightarrow > \quad X : fa$

Backward Application: $Y : a \quad X \backslash Y : f \quad \Rightarrow < \quad X : fa$

Example

<u>Marcel</u>	<u>proved</u>	<u>completeness</u>
$NP_{3sm} : marcel'$	$(S \backslash NP_{3s}) / NP : \lambda x \lambda y. prove' xy$	$NP : completeness'$
$\xrightarrow{\hspace{15em}}$		$S \backslash NP_{3s} : \lambda y. prove' completeness' y$
$\xleftarrow{\hspace{15em}}$		
$S : prove' completeness' marcel'$		

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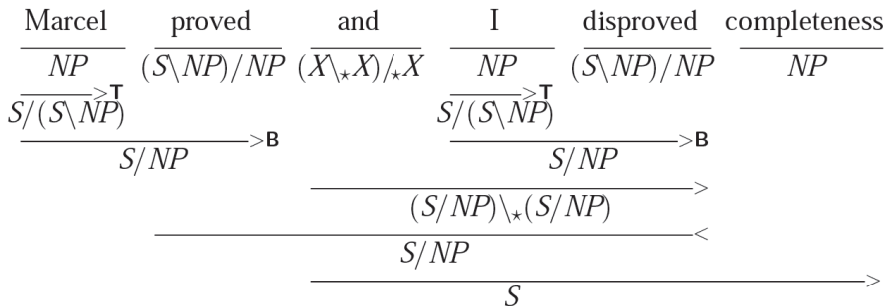
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<u>Marcel</u>	<u>conjectured</u>	<u>and</u>	<u>might</u>	<u>prove</u>	<u>completeness</u>
NP	$(S \setminus NP) / NP$	$(X \setminus_* X) /_* X$	$(S \setminus NP) / VP$	VP / NP	NP
$: marcel'$	$: conjecture'$	$: and'$	$: might'$	$: prove'$	$: completeness'$
				\rangle_B	
				$(S \setminus NP) / NP$	
				$: \lambda x \lambda y. might' (prove' x) y$	
				\rangle	
				$((S \setminus NP) / NP) \setminus_* ((S \setminus NP) / NP)$	
				$: \lambda tv \lambda x \lambda y. and' (might' (prove' x) y) (tv xy)$	
				\langle	
				$(S \setminus NP) / NP$	
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				\rangle	
				$S \setminus NP$	
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Reflexivpronomen

Mary	washed	herself
NP_{sf}	$(S \setminus NP_{sG}) / NP$	$(S \setminus NP_{sf}) \setminus ((S \setminus NP_{sf}) / NP)$
: $mary'$: $\lambda x. \lambda y. wash' xy$: $\lambda p. \lambda z. p(ana' z)z$

Objektkontrolle

Peter persuaded Marcel to bathe Mary.

Lexikon

$\text{persuade} := ((S \setminus NP) / (S_{TO} \setminus NP)) / NP : \lambda x \lambda p \lambda y . \text{persuade}'(p(\text{ana}'x))xy$

$\text{to} := (S_{TO} \setminus NP) / (S_{INF} \setminus NP) : \lambda p . p$

$\text{bathe} := (S_{INF} \setminus NP) / NP : \lambda v . \lambda w . \text{bathe}' vw$

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Constituents in CCG

Flexible Konsituentenstruktur

Spurious ambiguity

There are 24 different ways of deriving:

Peter caught a big cat.

aber gut für inkrementelle Verarbeitung.

CCG und inkrementelle Verarbeitung

Beispiel ähnlich zu *The horse raced past the barn fell.*

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- Wenn b einfacher ist, bedeutet dies, dass wir schon bei “sent” bemerkt haben, dass *flowers* nicht der Agent von “send” sein kann.
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the	flowers	sent	for	the	patient
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NP/N:	N:	(S\NP)/PP:	PP/NP:	NP/N:	N:
$\hat{P}.def'P$	$\hat{x}.flowers'x$	$\hat{y}\hat{x}.summon'yx$	$\hat{x}.x$	$\hat{P}.def'P$	$\hat{x}.patient'x$
	----->0				
NP:def' ($\hat{x}.flowers'x$)					
	----->T				
S/(S\NP):					
$\hat{P}.P(def'(\hat{x}.flowers'x))$					
	----->1				
S/PP: $\hat{y}.summon'y(def'(\hat{x}.flowers'x))$					
	----->1				
S/NP: $\hat{y}.summon'y(def'(\hat{x}.flowers'x))$					
	----->1				
S/N: $\hat{P}.summon'(def'P)(def'(\hat{x}.flowers'x))$					
	----->0				
S: $summon'(def'(\hat{x}.patient'x))(def'(\hat{y}.flowers'y))$					

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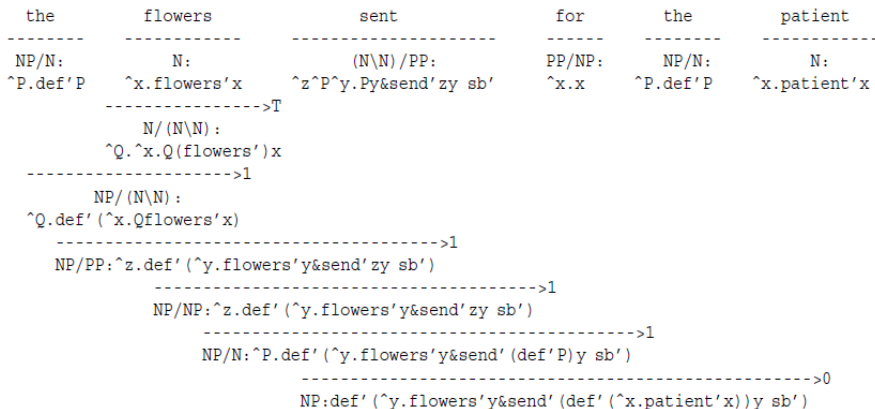


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Crossing composition rules

The crossing functional composition rules

- a. $X/_x Y : f \quad Y \backslash_x Z : g \Rightarrow X \backslash_x Z : \lambda z.f(gz)$ ($>B_x$)
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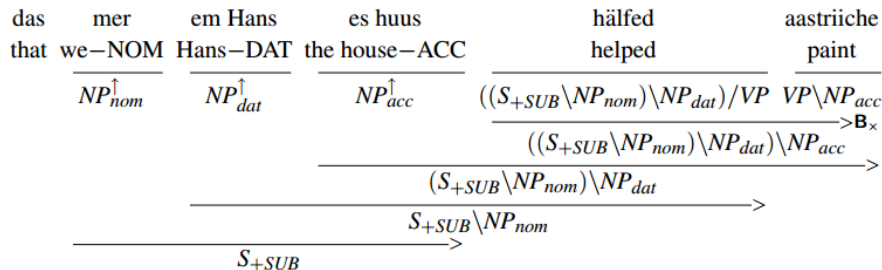
I	introduced	to Marcel	my very heavy friends
$S/(S \backslash NP) :$	$((S \backslash NP)/PP_{TO})/NP :$	$S \backslash (S/PP_{TO}) :$	$S \backslash (S/NP) :$
$\lambda p.p \text{ me}'$	$\lambda x \lambda y \lambda z.introduce'yxz$	$\lambda q.q \text{ marcel}'$	$\lambda r.r \text{ friends}'$
$(S/PP_{TO})/NP :$			
$\lambda x \lambda y.introduce'yx \text{ me}'$			
$S/NP : \lambda x.introduce' \text{marcel}'x \text{ me}'$			$<B_x$
$S : introduce' \text{marcel}' \text{friends}' \text{me}'$			

Swiss German / Dutch

The crossing functional composition rules

$$\text{a. } X/_x Y : f \quad Y \backslash_x Z : g \quad \Rightarrow \quad X \backslash_x Z : \lambda z.f(gz) \quad (> \mathbf{B}_x)$$

$$\text{b. } Y/_x Z : g \quad X \backslash_x Y : f \quad \Rightarrow \quad X/_x Z : \lambda z.f(gz) \quad (< \mathbf{B}_x)$$



“that we helped Hans paint the house”