

THE AUTOLING SYSTEM^{1, 2}

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ABSTRACT

The AUTOLING system represents an attempt to replace the human linguist with a machine in the process of linguistic fieldwork with an informant. To the extent that the attempt succeeds, the analytic and heuristic methodology of live linguists can be considered formalized.

The current system consists of three as yet unjoined components: a morphological analyzer, a program for learning context-free phrase structure grammar, and a program for learning monolingual and bilingual transformations. All programs are written in ALGOL and operational on the Burroughs B-5500 computer. The capabilities of the system are illustrated with examples of its treatment of selected problems in English, Latin, Roglai, Indonesian, Thai, Chinese and German.



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1.0 Introduction.

The AUTOLING system* is, in conception, an on-line computer program that replaces a human linguist in analytic interaction with a live informant. The discovery procedures are heuristic rather than algorithmic; an algorithm is here defined as a method that guarantees success; a heuristic as an analytic approach that may work, but does not necessarily guarantee success in all cases.

1.1 On Discovery Procedures, Algorithmic and Otherwise.

Zellig Harris probably deserves the most credit for expounding in 1946 [5] and 1951 [6] the method of using massive distributional tabulations of units in texts to determine the structure of a language. Rulon Wells soon followed in 1947 [21] with an approach to syntactic analysis that also rested ultimately on distributional analysis.

In 1959 [18], Solomonoff suggested an automatic method for phrase structure language grammar discovery that, while adding little to the methodology of linguistic analysis, introduced the problem to a computing audience and suggested the use of an informant.

Distributional analysis grammar discovery procedures alone will not work for two reasons. The first is practical: the combinatorial computations required in the analysis of say a million words of running text would yield intermediate data exceeding the memory capacity of any known computer--and the computation time of course would be commensurately prohibitive. More formally, E. Shamir demonstrated in 1962 [16] that it is impossible to obtain a discovery method for context free phrase structure grammars using natural language text alone as input. (He also suggested that the use of an informant would not alter the problem.)

*Written in ALGOL for the Burroughs B-5500 Computer.

Paul Garvin, in 1961 [2] suggested the use of heuristics in guiding the choice of distributional tests. His methodology still used only edited texts as a data base.

E. Mark Gold, in 1964 [4], indicates a formal demonstration that a discovery algorithm for learning context free grammar is possible if interaction with an informant is permitted.

Garvin discussed the use of heuristics in automatic informant work in 1965 [2].*

Work on the AUTOLING system has been described in 1967 [10, 11].

Other programs which involve some sort of language learning include those of Knowlton 1962 [12], Uhr 1964 [20] McConlogue & Simmons 1965 [14], and Siklossy 1968 [17].

1.2 The Philosophy Behind AUTOLING

The basic goal of AUTOLING research is to replace the linguist rather than aid him. To the extent that this goal is attained (in the form of a computer program system), the analytic methodology of live linguists can be considered formalized.

Human linguists obtain grammars without performing massive distributional analysis through the use of heuristics which permit them to make testable hypotheses that, when verified, eliminate the need for great masses of distributional analyses.

The ideal AUTOLING system would incorporate all the heuristics that a good linguist uses in fieldwork, and be capable of undertaking the analytic process via interaction with a live informant.

*At a RAND Corporation Linguistics Colloquium in December 1964, S. Klein suggested to Paul Garvin, the invited speaker, that he might use the concept of heuristic problem solving and game playing in application to automated informant work.

However, we have not attempted to deal with phonology in the project. The intended informant for the system would be bilingual in English and some other language, and be capable transcribing his non-English language in phonemic notation on a teletype keyboard.

The ideal AUTOLING system would, initially, ask the informant a battery of prestored questions ('How do you say...?') designed to elicit material for morphological analysis. At a somewhat later stage of interaction a phrase structure learning component would attempt to learn a phrase structure grammar, accepting as inputs the informant's responses rewritten morphophonemically. A continuous interaction between the phrase structure learning component and the morphological program would take place. Ideally, the program would learn monolingual transformations, and also bilingual ones so that the program might generate its own query list in English. That is, a sentence is generated to test a hypothesized rule, then translated into English; the system would then output a 'How do you say' message followed by the English translation of the test sentence; the informant's reply is then matched against this prediction

This paper, however, deals with the current reality of the AUTOLING system. At the moment it consists of three disconnected components: a morphological analyzer that is not informant interactive; an informant-interactive, context-free phrase structure learning program (the most developed component) which does test rules, but with a 'Can you say' message followed by the test production in the language under analysis rather than its English translation; and an informant-interactive program that learns monolingual and bilingual transformations. Also, in the actual systems, no query lists are used. The infor-

mant implicitly provides his own at certain times by feeding in pertinent data.

The reader will please note that all approaches that might involve a human linguist giving the machine advice have been avoided because of the primary goal of the research -- the replacement of the linguist and the concomitant formalization of fieldwork methodology.

There is of course a key secondary goal that demands the same kind of approach: the AUTOLING system logic will be incorporated in the learning component of Klein's computer simulation of Historical Change in Language system [8, 9]. The exact function of AUTOLING in this system is described in a paper presented at the 10th International Congress of Linguists in 1967 [10].

2.0 Morphological Analyzer

This program is essentially the work of Alicia E. Towster. Although a great deal of work has gone into it, it is relatively undeveloped from the point of view of integration into the rest of the AUTOLING system. A number of early versions have been moderately successful in analyzing problems taken from Nida [15], Koutsoudas [13], but have revealed basic problems that have led to major revisions.

One of the key problems is that of control of the gloss metalanguage. Inherent in the analytic procedure is a parallel comparison of strings in the language and their glosses. If the glosses are left in English, the program is limited to making morphological cuts that match the English gloss units. Human analysts draw upon a larger semantic data base and reinterpret the glosses as the problem demands. To incorporate this reinterpretation in a

program demands a formalization of the gloss reinterpretation process. This in turn makes mandatory the incorporation of a universal semantic list (not necessarily the semantic distinctive features of Katz and Fodor [7] or Chomsky [1]) with rules for rewriting English glosses in terms of those features, even though many might not be semantic distinctive features in English.

If the claim for 'universality' of such semantic features disturbs some linguists, they might view them as simple an inventory of all (hopefully) possible semantic units any language in the world might assign to a given English gloss.

The determination of such a list of semantic features is, of course, a momentous task. Accordingly, only a small listing of such features suitable for handling perhaps five or ten assorted text book problems have been determined.

The decision to rewrite glosses in terms of semantic features creates another major analytic problem for a program: the determination of which such features are actually distinctive; or in other terms, what bundles of semantic primitives are to be treated as units in a given language, and how they are distributed. The problem can be made clear from a 'trivial' English example:

<u>Form</u>	<u>Gloss</u>
I eat	1st person, singular, human, animate, eat, indicative, present tense.
you eat	2nd person, singular, human, animate, eat, indicative, present tense.

Clearly, 'I' and 'you' are uniquely associated with the features '1st person' and '2nd person'. But what of the remainders?

In an effort to handle the problem a distinction between primary and secondary glosses is noted. 'I' and 'you' are assigned '1st person' and '2nd person', respectively, as primary glosses. The remaining features with each input are assigned to both members of each cut but labelled as secondary glosses.

Later analysis determines the final assignment of the features, and their relabelling as primary.

Other problems that arise in analysis are those of over-cutting. Occasionally what should emerge as a single morpheme is split into two components. Proper analysis of the semantic features associated with these over-cut units at a later stage should provide enough data for recombination, but the pertinent heuristics have not yet been programmed.

Additional analytic heuristics which are in a state of flux pertain to input-sequence sensitivity. Currently, the inputs are analyzed in block units containing a fixed number of forms and glosses. The selection of new analytic blocks for intermediate stages of analysis as a function of what cuts have occurred in the preliminary stages involve heuristics that are also yet to be programmed. Heuristics for grouping allomorphs, and determining morphophonemic rules also await implementation.

3.0 Phrase Structure Heuristic Learning Program

This system, which learns unordered, context-free phrase structure rules is not yet connected to the Morphological Analysis program. It accepts

as inputs sentences written with spaces between morphological units. A multi-path parser yields all possible parses of each input. If no complete parses are obtained, the top nodes of the incomplete parses are ordered according to the number of uncombined nodes remaining in each parse.

These incomplete parse top nodes serve as inputs to the basic heuristic 1.

Heuristic 1

$$X \ Y \ Z \] \ \Longrightarrow \ *S_i \ \rightarrow \ X \ Y \ S$$

[where S_i stands for rule: $*S_i$ indicates sentence rule]

That is, coin as a rule the closure of the parse. In the case that no rules of the provisional grammar apply to the input string, the string itself is treated as a parse, and heuristic 1 yields:

$$*S_i \ \rightarrow \ \text{morpheme}_1 \ \text{morpheme}_2 \ \dots \ \text{morpheme}_n \ .$$

This of course is what happens to the first input to the system. The remaining learning heuristics cover the various cases in which units in identical environments are assigned to classes.

Heuristic 2 states that two single morphemes in identical environments are assigned to the same class.

Heuristic 2

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} S_1 \rightarrow X \ m_1 \ Y \\ S_2 \rightarrow X \ m_2 \ Y \end{array} \right] \Longrightarrow \begin{array}{l} S_3 \rightarrow m_1 \\ S_3 \rightarrow m_2 \end{array}$$

where X and Y are strings consisting of terminal, non-terminal or a mixed combination of units, and m_1 and m_2 are single morphemes, and either

X or Y may be empty but not both.

Heuristic 2 also applies in the case that m_1 and m_2 are strings of one or more non-terminals.

Heuristic 3 states that if a terminal element (morpheme) and a single non-terminal element occur in identical environments, the morpheme is added to the non-terminal class.

Heuristic 3.

$$\begin{array}{l}
 S_1 \rightarrow X \quad S_1 \quad Y \\
 S_2 \rightarrow X \quad m_j \quad Y \\
 S_i \rightarrow m_i
 \end{array}
 \left. \vphantom{\begin{array}{l} S_1 \\ S_2 \\ S_i \end{array}} \right] \Longrightarrow \begin{array}{l}
 S_i \rightarrow m_i \\
 S_i \rightarrow m_j \\
 S_1 \rightarrow X \quad S_i \quad Y
 \end{array}$$

where X and Y are strings of terminal, non-terminal or mixed elements, and where X or Z may be empty but not both, and where m_i and m_j are morphemes.

There are also what might be termed negative heuristics, designed to prevent premature ad hoc rule coining. Namely, if one of the strings occurring in an environment identical with some other string should contain one morpheme plus anything else, no new rules are coined (other than to add the tree top to the rule list via heuristic 1). Also, no new rules are coined in the case of frame overlap, e.g.

$$\begin{array}{l}
 S_1 \rightarrow X \quad Y \\
 S_2 \rightarrow X \quad A \quad Y
 \end{array}
 \quad \text{or} \quad
 \begin{array}{l}
 S_1 \rightarrow X \quad A \quad B \quad Y \\
 S_2 \rightarrow X \quad A \quad A \quad B \quad Y
 \end{array}$$

where X and Y are defined as above, and A and B are strings of non-terminals.

The last pattern matching, phrase structure learning heuristic coins recursive rules;

Heuristic 4.

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} S_1 \rightarrow X A Y \\ S_2 \rightarrow X A A Y \end{array} \right\} \implies \begin{array}{l} S_3 \rightarrow A \\ S_3 \rightarrow S_3 A \\ S_1 \rightarrow X S_3 Y \end{array}$$

where X and Y are defined as before and A is a string of one or more nonterminals. Actually, this heuristic is not really needed for the coining of recursive rules. The other heuristics are capable of learning indirect recursion in a variety of ways.

3.1 Rule Testing Heuristics

The remaining heuristics pertain to the testing of the validity of the rules coined by heuristics 2, 3, & 4. Except for heuristic 5, they are not numbered, and are best described in terms of the flow of the program.

3.1.1 Substitution and Informant Queries

The validity of each rule coined by heuristics 2-4 are tested via substitution, and test sentence generation. Each time a new class is coined, the system inspects each rule in the grammar for tokens of elements of the new class. When such a rule is found, the system tentatively makes the substitution of the new class name for the token of its element, and

performs a test generation in the following manner:

Only full sentences are offered to the informant for acceptance or rejection. Accordingly, if the substitution is made in an unstarred rule (non-sentence), the system climbs upwards through the hierarchy of rules to the first starred rule it can find that might yield the test rule in a generation path. The program then generates randomly downwards but with a forced choice of the rule in which the substitution was made.

The test sentence is outputted on the teletype with the query:

CAN YOU SAY:

If the informant types:

YES

the substitution is made.

If the reply is NO, no substitution is made, and the test sentence is added to the illegal list. If a given rule contains two strings in the domain of the substitution, each is tried individually and serially, and if any succeeds, the next substitution is in the revised string.

If substitution should yield duplicate rules, one of the duplicates is deleted and all reference to the deleted rule are replaced by references to the remaining one.

The system also avoids the creation by substitution of unexitable node loops involving rules of the type:

$$\begin{array}{l} S_i \rightarrow S_j \\ : \\ S_j \rightarrow S_i \end{array}$$

In the case that all substitutions of a newly posited rule fail, the heuristic is assumed to have failed, and the next one is tried. If all heuristics 2-4 fail for a given top node, then the remaining top nodes are each subjected to the same heuristics and testing. In the event of all failures, the original top node is added as a rule via heuristic 1. There remains one special rule coining heuristics governing class splitting applicable to morphemes. It is treated in this section because its application also involves rule testing.

Suppose the grammar contains:

$$\begin{aligned} S_1 &\rightarrow m_1 \\ S_1 &\rightarrow m_2 \\ S_2 &\rightarrow X S_1 Y \\ S_3 &\rightarrow W S_1 Z \end{aligned}$$

where X, Y, W, & Z are strings of terminals or non-terminals or both.

Suppose that, via heuristic 2, the rule

$$S_1 \rightarrow m_3$$

Heuristic 5

is posited, and that the substitution test succeeds in S_2 , but fails in S_3 . In that case the following rules are coined

$$\begin{aligned} S_1 &\rightarrow m_1 \\ S_1 &\rightarrow m_2 \\ S_4 &\rightarrow S_1 \\ S_4 &\rightarrow m_3 \\ S_2 &\rightarrow X S_4 B \\ S_3 &\rightarrow W S_1 Z \end{aligned}$$

and the rule $S_1 \rightarrow m_3$ is thrown out.

3.1.2 Parsing Illegal Sentences and Recycling.

Parsing

Each test sentence rejected by the informant is added to a list of 'illegals'. All illegals determined during a single testing cycle are treated as belonging to the same frame. A frame is the interaction and processing that takes place after an input sentence from the informant. All the rule substitutions, test sentences and informant 'yes' and 'no' responses arising from the informant input sentence are treated as belonging to the same testing frame.

As each rule is coined or updated, the parsing component of the program attempts to parse each illegal sentence of the current frame. If an illegal sentence parses, then the postulated new rule or substitution is disregarded.

After each five informant inputs, the system attempts to parse all of its illegals, from all previous processing frames. Because the testing is inherently incomplete, bad rules may have slipped into the grammar. If at this time any of the illegal sentences is successfully parsed, the system enters a recycle mode, which is described below. (At one stage of development the program parsed all illegals from all frames before coining a new rule. This procedure proved too costly in processing time and the current methodology was used instead.) It also happens that some illegals are the product of posited spurious recursive rules, and may accordingly be very long as well as illegal. Such sentences, if parsed to completion, required as much as 5 or even 10 minutes of computer time. After determining that 99% of parsable sentences were parsed in 1 minute or less, we made the system

assume a sentence is unparsable if the completed parse is not found in less than one minute. This limitation is for the parsing of illegals only; no limitation exists on parsing time for new inputs from the informant.

Recycling

As indicated earlier, an attempt is made to parse all illegal sentences from all previous frames after every 5 informant sentence inputs. If an illegal is parsed, then some bad rule has slipped past the tests. Accordingly the system destroys its entire grammar, but saves the list of past input sentences and the list of illegal sentences. The analysis then begins anew, but with the following differences. The system first processes the recorded input list instead of immediately soliciting new inputs from the informant. The input list is reordered slightly as a rough attempt to overcome the sequence sensitivity of the learning process. Specifically, the last 5 informant sentence inputs before the recycle are put at the head of the list and processed first. Also, the illegal sentence that caused the recycle is made a permanent member of the current frame illegal set, and an attempt is made to parse it during each rule coining step in the recycle mode. If there have been other recycles, the responsible illegals are also made permanent members of the 'current frame illegal set'.

There may be recycles within recycles with a limit of depth 3. If this limit is reached the system gives up on the whole analysis. No limit exists for unnested recycles.

3.2 Test Problems

In the following copies of actual teletype output, the only human inputs are:

1. An input sentence following a program generated NEXT.
2. *TYPE in response to a computer generated NEXT which is a request by the human for a listing of the current grammar.
3. YES and NO in response to program requests, CAN YOU SAY THIS followed by a program generated test sentence.

Other messages the system can accept are:

4. A *RESTART message permits restarting with an empty grammar.
5. A *SAVE followed by a single digit makes the system periodically save the total state of the learning process on disc file at periodic intervals. At each saving point the system outputs a message, indicated the name of the saved file in terms of the initial digit after the first *SAVE message, plus a sequence number.
6. A *RESTART message followed by a file number reinitializes the program to the state stored under that file name. This feature permits the continued analysis, over a long period of time, of up to 9 different languages. It also permits partial backup restarts in case of accidents or erroneous inputs.

Some of the problems were taken from Koutsoudas' test, Writing Transformational Grammars: An Introduction [13]. The sentences were entered as inputs in the order they occurred in each problem. Often the program generated

as a test case a problem sentence not yet entered. In this case the informant usually omitted the repetition. Each time the computer grammar was adequate for parsing an input, it outputted the message:

PARSED OK

Often, the informant's responses to the machine's test utterances did not come from a full knowledge of the language. The informant behaved consistently, but may have said YES and NO to hypothetical constructions that may have deserved different replies.

3.2.1 Embedding Illustration: Artificial Language.

BEGIN AUTOLING

NEXT: (X Y ←)

NEXT: (*TYPE ←)

*S1 := X Y

(X X Y Y ←)

NEXT: (*TYPE ←)

*S1 := X Y

*S2 := X S1 Y

(X X X Y Y Y ←)

CAN YOU SAY:

X X X X X X Y Y Y Y Y Y

(YES ←)

NEXT: (*TYPE ←)

*S1 := X Y

*S2 := X S3 Y

S3 := S2

S3 := S1

(X X X X Y Y Y Y ←)

-PARSED OK-

NEXT:

(X X X X X X X X X X X X Y Y Y Y Y Y Y Y Y Y Y Y ←)

-PARSED OK-

[circled items
from human]

3.2.2 English I

BEGIN AUTOLING

NEXT:

I WANT HIM TO GO ←

NEXT: I NEED HIM TO GO←

NEXT: :*TYPE

*S1 := I S2 HIM TO GO

S2 := NEED

S2 := WANT

I WANT HER TO GO ←

CAN YOU SAY:

I NEED HER TO GO

YES ←

NEXT: *TYPE ←

*S1 := I S2 S3 TO GO

S2 := NEED

S2 := WANT

S3 := HER

S3 := HIM

YOU WANT HER TO GO ←

CAN YOU SAY:

YOU NEED HER TO GO

YES ←

NEXT: *TYPE ←

*S1 := S4 S2 S3 TO GO

S2 := NEED

S2 := WANT

S3 := HER

S3 := HIM

S4 := YOU

S4 := I

YOU WANT HIM TO RUN ←

CAN YOU SAY:

YOU NEED HIM TO RUN

YES ←

PARSING ILLEGALS

NEXT: HE WANT S HER TO GO ←
 CAN YOU SAY:
 HE WANT S HIM TO RUN
 YES ←

NEXT: *TYPE ←
 *S1 := S4 S2 S3 TO S5
 S2 := NEED
 S2 := WANT
 S3 := HER
 S3 := HIM
 S4 := YOU
 S4 := I
 S5 := RUN
 S5 := GO
 *S6 := HE S2 S S3 TO S5
 SHE WANT S HIM TO RUN ←
 CAN YOU SAY:
 SHE WANT S HER TO GO
 YES ←

NEXT: *TYPE ←
 *S1 := S4 S2 S3 TO S5
 S2 := NEED
 S2 := WANT
 S3 := HER
 S3 := HIM
 S4 := YOU
 S4 := I
 S5 := RUN
 S5 := GO
 *S6 := S7 S2 S S3 TO S5
 S7 := SHE
 S7 := HE
 SHE WANT S HER TO RUN ←
 -PARSED OK-

3.2.3 English II.

BEGIN AUTOLING

NEXT:

EAT THE CAT ←

NEXT: EAT A CAT ←

NEXT: EAT THE CAT S ←

CAN YOU SAY:

EAT A CAT S

NO ←

NEXT: *TYPE ←

*S1 := EAT S2 CAT

S2 := A

S2 := THE

*S3 := EAT THE CAT S

EAT A DOG ←

CAN YOU SAY:

EAT THE DOG

YES ←

CAN YOU SAY:

EAT THE DOG S

YES ←

NEXT: *TYPE ←

*S1 := EAT S2 S4

S2 := A

S2 := THE

*S3 := EAT THE S4 S

S4 := DOG

S4 := CAT

KNOW THE DOG ←

CAN YOU SAY:

KNOW A DOG

YES ←

CAN YOU SAY:

KNOW THE CAT S

YES ←

PARSING ILLEGALS

NEXT: *TYPE ←
 *S1 := S5 S2 S4
 S2 := A
 S2 := THE
 *S3 := S5 THE S4 S
 S4 := DOG
 S4 := CAT
 S5 := KNOW
 S5 := EAT

EAT THESE CAT S ←
 CAN YOU SAY:
 EAT THESE DOG S
 YES ←

NEXT: *TYPE ←
 *S1 := S5 S2 S4
 S2 := A
 S2 := THE
 *S3 := S5 S6 S4 S
 S4 := DOG
 S4 := CAT
 S5 := KNOW
 S5 := EAT
 S6 := THESE
 S6 := THE

EAT SOME CAT S ←

NEXT: EAT SOME CAT ←

NEXT: *TYPE ←
 *S1 := S5 S2 S4
 S2 := SOME
 S2 := A
 S2 := THE
 *S3 := S5 S6 S4 S
 S4 := DOG
 S4 := CAT
 S5 := KNOW
 S5 := EAT
 S6 := SOME
 S6 := THESE
 S6 := THE

EAT THOSE CAT S ←

NEXT: I EAT A CAT ←

CAN YOU SAY:

I KNOW A CAT

YES ←

PARSING ILLEGALS

NEXT: *TYPE ←

*S1 := S5 S2 S4

S2 := SOME

S2 := A

S2 := THE

*S3 := S5 S6 S4 S

S4 := DOG

S4 := CAT

S5 := KNOW

S5 := EAT

S6 := THOSE

S6 := SOME

S6 := THESE

S6 := THE

*S7 := I S1

YOU EAT A CAT ←

CAN YOU SAY:

YOU KNOW A DOG

YES ←

NEXT: *TYPE ←

*S1 := S5 S2 S4

S2 := SOME

S2 := A

S2 := THE

*S3 := S5 S6 S4 S

S4 := DOG

S4 := CAT

S5 := KNOW

S5 := EAT

S6 := THOSE

S6 := SOME

S6 := THESE

S6 := THE

*S7 := S8 S1

S8 := YOU

S8 := I

THE DOG S KNOW A CAT ←

CAN YOU SAY:

THOSE CAT S KNOW SOME DOG
YES ←

NEXT: *TYPE ←

*S1 := S5 S2 S4

S2 := SOME

S2 := A

S2 := THE

*S3 := S5 S6 S4 S

S4 := DOG

S4 := CAT

S5 := KNOW

S5 := EAT

S6 := THOSE

S6 := SOME

S6 := THESE

S6 := THE

*S7 := S8 S1

S8 := YOU

S8 := I

*S9 := S6 S4 S S1

3.2.4 Latin: Koutsoudas #26

PROBLEM 26: LATIN

- | | |
|------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| 1. puer virum videt | <i>The boy sees the man.</i> |
| 2. vir puerum videt | <i>The man sees the boy.</i> |
| 3. puer virum defendit | <i>The boy defends the man.</i> |
| 4. vir puero nocet | <i>The man harms the boy.</i> |
| 5. puer viro nocet | <i>The boy harms the man.</i> |
| 6. puer viro subvenit | <i>The boy helps the man.</i> |
| 7. puer viri meminit | <i>The boy remembers the man.</i> |
| 8. puer viro meminit | <i>The boy remembers the man.</i> |

BEGIN AUTOLING

NEXT:

PUER VIR UM VIDE T ←

NEXT: VIR PUER UM VIDE T ←

NEXT:

PUER VIR UM DEFENDI T ←

CAN YOU SAY:

VIR PUER UM DEFENDI T

YES ←

NEXT: *TYPE ←

*S1 := PUER VIR UM S3 T

*S2 := VIR PUER UM S3 T

S3 := DEFENDI

S3 := VIDE

VIR PUER O NOCE T ←

NEXT: PUER VIR O NOCE T ←

PARSING ILLEGALS

NEXT: PUER VIR O SUBVENI T ←

CAN YOU SAY:

VIR PUER O SUBVENI T

YES ←

NEXT: *TYPE ←

*S1 := PUER VIR UM S3 T

*S2 := VIR PUER UM S3 T

S3 := DEFENDI

S3 := VIDE

*S4 := VIR PUER O S6 T

*S5 := PUER VIR O S6 T

S6 := SUBVENI

S6 := NOCE

PUER VIR I MEMINI T ←

NEXT: PUER VIR O MEMINI T ←

CAN YOU SAY:

VIR PUER O MEMINI T

YES ←

CAN YOU SAY:

PUER VIR I SUBVENI T

NO ←

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NEXT: *TYPE ←
*S1 := PUER VIR UM S3 T
*S2 := VIR PUER UM S3 T
S3 := DEFENDI
S3 := VIDE
*S4 := VIR PUER O S6 T
*S5 := PUER VIR O S6 T
S6 := MEMINI
S6 := SUBVENI
S6 := NOCE
*S7 := PUER VIR I MEMINI T

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[The sentence inputs that follow have been added to the problem]

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VIR PUER UM VIDE T ←
-PARSED OK-

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NEXT: VIR PUER I MEMINI T ←
CAN YOU SAY:
    VIR PUER I NOCE T
NO ←
*PARSING ILLEGALS*

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NEXT: *TYPE ←
*S1 := PUER VIR UM S3 T
*S2 := VIR PUER UM S3 T
S3 := DEFENDI
S3 := VIDE
*S4 := VIR PUER O S6 T
*S5 := PUER VIR O S6 T
S6 := MEMINI
S6 := SUBVENI
S6 := NOCE
*S7 := PUER VIR I MEMINI T
*S12 := VIR PUER I MEMINI T
PUER VIR O NOCE T ←
-PARSED OK-

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NEXT: PUER OPPID UM VIDE T ←
CAN YOU SAY:
    PUER OPPID UM DEFENDI T
YES ←
CAN YOU SAY:
    OPPID PUER O SUBVENI T
YES ←
CAN YOU SAY:
    OPPID PUER I MEMINI T
YES ←

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CAN YOU SAY:
 OPPID PUER UM VIDE T

YES ←

CAN YOU SAY:
 PUER OPPID O MEMINI T

YES ←

CAN YOU SAY:
 PUER OPPID I MEMINI T

YES ←

NEXT: *TYPE ←

*S1 := PUER S13 UM S3 T

*S2 := S13 PUER UM S3 T

S3 := DEFENDI

S3 := VIDE

*S4 := S13 PUER O S6 T

*S5 := PUER S13 O S6 T

S6 := MEMINI

S6 := SUBVENI

S6 := NOCE

*S7 := PUER S13 I MEMINI T

*S12 := S13 PUER I MEMINI T

S13 := OPPID

S13 := VIR

VIR OPPID UM VIDE T ←

CAN YOU SAY:
 OPPID OPPID UM VIDE T

YES ←

CAN YOU SAY:
 PUER PUER I MEMINI T

YES ←

CAN YOU SAY:
 PUER PUER O MEMINI T

YES ←

CAN YOU SAY:
 PUER PUER UM VIDE T

YES ←

CAN YOU SAY:
 PUER PUER O NOCE T

YES ←

CAN YOU SAY:
 OPPID OPPID O SUBVENI T

YES ←

CAN YOU SAY:
 PUER PUER UM DEFENDI T

YES ←

CAN YOU SAY:
 OPPID VIR UM DEFENDI T
 YES ←
 CAN YOU SAY:
 VIR VIR I MEMINI T
 YES ←
 CAN YOU SAY:
 PUER OPPID O NOCE T
 YES ←
 CAN YOU SAY:
 OPPID OPPID O MEMINI T
 YES ←
 CAN YOU SAY:
 OPPID OPPID I MEMINI T
 YES ←
 CAN YOU SAY:
 VIR OPPID I MEMINI T
 YES ←

NEXT: *TYPE ←
 *S1 := S13 S13 UM S3 T
 *S2 := S1
 S3 := DEFENDI
 S3 := VIDE
 *S4 := S13 S13 O S6 T
 *S5 := S4
 S6 := MEMINI
 S6 := SUBVENI
 S6 := NOCE
 *S7 := S12
 *S12 := S13 S13 I MEMINI T
 S13 := PUER
 S13 := OPPID
 S13 := VIR

3.2.5 Roglai: Koutsoudas #58

PROBLEM 58: ROGLAI

1. ama naw
Father went.
2. ama naw tubrøy
Father went yesterday.
3. adøy ʔbək bu
The child ate rice.
4. ama naw judøy adøy ʔbək bu
Father went after the child ate rice.
5. adøy ʔbək bu tubrøy
The child ate rice yesterday.
6. adøy ʔbək bu judøy ama naw
The child ate rice after the father went.
7. tubrøy ama naw
Yesterday father went.
8. judøy adøy ʔbək bu ama naw
After the child ate rice, the father went.
9. tubrøy adøy ʔbək bu
Yesterday the child ate rice.
10. judøy ama naw adøy ʔbək bu
After father went, the child ate rice.
11. adøy naw musu·p
The child went early in the morning.
12. ama ʔbək ika·t
Father ate fish.
13. adøy naw judøy ama ʔbək ika·t
The child went after the father ate fish.
14. adøy naw juma ama ʔbək ika·t
The child went before father ate fish.
15. musu·p adøy naw
Early in the morning the child went.
16. judøy ama ʔbək ika·t adøy naw
After the father ate fish, the child went.
17. juma ama ʔbək ika·t adøy naw
Before the father ate fish, the child went.
18. ama naw juma adøy ʔbək bu
Father went before the child ate rice.
19. juma adøy ʔbək bu ama naw
Before the child ate rice, the father went.
20. adøy ʔbək ika·t tubrøy
The child ate fish yesterday.
21. tubrøy adøy ʔbək ika·t
Yesterday the child ate fish.
22. judøy ama naw adøy ʔbək ika·t
After father went, the child ate fish.
23. juma ama naw adøy ʔbək ika·t
Before father went, the child ate fish.

BEGIN AUTOLING
 NEXT: AMA NAW ←

NEXT: ADEY NAW ← [Added input]

NEXT: AMA NAW TUBREY ←
 CAN YOU SAY:
 ADEY NAW TUBREY
 YES ←

NEXT: ADEY QBEEK BU ←
 CAN YOU SAY:
 AMA QBEEK BU
 YES ←

NEXT: AMA NAW JUDEY ADEY QBEEK BU ←
 CAN YOU SAY:
 ADEY NAW JUDEY AMA QBEEK BU
 YES ←
 PARSING ILLEGALS

NEXT: ADEY QBEEK BU TUBREY ←
 CAN YOU SAY:
 AMA QBEEK BU TUBREY
 YES ←
 CAN YOU SAY:
 AMA QBEEK BU JUDEY AMA QBEEK BU
 YES ←
 CAN YOU SAY:
 AMA NAW JUDEY ADEY NAW
 YES ←

NEXT: *TYPE ←
 *S1 := S2 NAW
 S2 := ADEY
 S2 := AMA
 *S3 := S6 TUBREY
 *S4 := S2 QBEEK BU
 *S5 := S6 JUDEY S6
 S6 := S4
 S6 := S1

ADEY QBEEK BU JUDEY AMA NAW ←
 --PARSED OK--

NEXT: TUBREY AMA NAW ←
 CAN YOU SAY:
 TUBREY ADEY QBEK BU
 YES ←

NEXT: JUDEY ADEY QBEK BU AMA NAW ←
 CAN YOU SAY:
 JUDEY AMA QBEK BU ADEY QBEK BU
 YES ←

NEXT: JUDEY AMA NAW ADEY QBEK BU ←
 -PARSED OK-
 PARSING ILLEGALS

NEXT: ADEY NAW MUSUUP ←
 CAN YOU SAY:
 ADEY QBEK BU MUSUUP
 YES ←
 CAN YOU SAY:
 MUSUUP ADEY QBEK BU
 YES ←

NEXT: *TYPE ←
 *S1 := S2 NAW
 S2 := ADEY
 S2 := AMA
 *S3 := S6 S9
 *S4 := S2 QBEK BU
 *S5 := S6 JUDEY S6
 S6 := S4
 S6 := S1
 *S7 := S9 S6
 *S8 := JUDEY S6 S6
 S9 := MUSUUP
 S9 := TUBREY

AMA QBEK IKAAT ←
 CAN YOU SAY:
 ADEY QBEK IKAAT
 YES ←

NEXT; *TYPE ←
 *S1 := S2 NAW
 S2 := ADEY
 S2 := AMA
 *S3 := S6 S9
 *S4 := S2 QBEK S10
 *S5 := S6 JUDEY S6
 S6 := S4
 S6 := S1
 *S7 := S9 S6
 *S8 := JUDEY S6 S6
 S9 := MUSUUP
 S9 := TUBREY
 S10 := IKAAT
 S10 := BU

ADEY NAW JUDEY AMA QBEK IKAAT ←
 -PARSED OK-

NEXT; ADEY NAW JUMA AMA QBEK IKAAT ←
 CAN YOU SAY:
 ADEY NAW JUMA AMA NAW
 YES ←
 CAN YOU SAY
 JUMA AMA NAW AMA NAW
 YES ←
 CAN YOU SAY:
 AMA NAW JUDEY AMA NAW
 YES ←
 CAN YOU SAY:
 JUDEY ADEY NAW ADEY NAW
 YES ←
 CAN YOU SAY:
 TUBREY AMA QBEK IKAAT
 YES ←
 CAN YOU SAY:
 TUBREY ADEY NAW
 YES ←
 CAN YOU SAY:
 AMA QBEK IKAAT TUBREY
 YES ←
 CAN YOU SAY:
 AMA QBEK BU JUMA AMA NAW
 YES ←
 CAN YOU SAY:
 MUSUUP ADEY NAW ADEY QBEK IKAAT AMA QBEK BU
 NO ←

CAN YOU SAY:

ADEY QBEEK BU JUMA AMA QBEEK IKAAT AMA NAW ADEY NAW AMA QBEEK BU
NO ←

NEXT: *TYPE ←

*S1 := S2 NAW
S2 := ADEY
S2 := AMA
*S3 := S5
*S4 := S2 QBEEK S10
*S5 := S6 S12
S6 := S4
S6 := S1
*S7 := S8
*S8 := S12 S6
S9 := MUSUUP
S9 := TUBREY
S10 := IKAAT
S10 := BU
S11 := JUMA
S11 := JUDEY
S12 := S11 S6
S12 := S9

MUSUUP ADEY NAW ←

-PARSED OK-

PARSING ILLEGALS

NEXT: JUDEY AMA QBEEK IKAAT ADEY NAW ←

-PARSED OK-

NEXT: JUMA AMA QBEEK IKAAT ADEY NAW ←

-PARSED OK-

NEXT: AMA NAW JUMA ADEY QBEEK BU ←

-PARSED OK-

NEXT: JUMA ADEY QBEEK BU AMA NAW ←

-PARSED OK-

NEXT: ADEY QBEEK IKAAT TUBREY←

-PARSED OK-

NEXT: TUBREY ADEY QBEEK IKAAT ←

-PARSED OK-

NEXT: JUDEY AMA NAW ADEY QBEEK IKAAT ←

-PARSED OK-

NEXT: JUMA AMA NAW ADEY QBK IKAAT ←
 -PARSED OK-

NEXT: *TYPE ←
 *S1 := S2 NAW
 S2 := ADEY
 S2 := AMA
 *S3 := S5
 *S4 := S2 QBK S10
 *S5 := S6 S12
 S6 := S4
 S6 := S1
 *S7 := S8
 *S8 := S12 S6
 S9 := MUSUUP
 S9 := TUBREY
 S10 := IKAAT
 S10 := BU
 S11 := JUMA
 S11 := JUDEY
 S12 := S11 S6
 S12 := S9

As indicated earlier, fewer heuristics operate on strings containing individual morphemes. Accordingly, to add more members to the verb classes, the cover morphemes VERBTRAN and VERBINTRAN were introduced into the inputs with the following result:

AMA VERBINTRAN ←
 CAN YOU SAY;
 ADEY VERBINTRAN
 YES ←

NEXT: *TYPE ←
 *S1 := S2 S15
 S2 := ADEY
 S2 := AMA
 *S3 := S5
 *S4 := S2 QBK S10
 *S5 := S6 S12
 S6 := S4
 S6 := S1
 *S7 := S8
 *S8 := S12 S6
 S9 := MUSUPP
 S9 := TUBREY

S10 := IKAAT
 S10 := BU
 S11 := JUMA
 S11 := JUDEY
 S12 := S11 S6
 S12 := S9
 S15 := VERBINTRAN
 S15 := NAW

ADEY VERBTRAN BU ←

CAN YOU SAY:

ADEY VERBTRAN IKAAT

YES ←

CAN YOU SAY:

AMA VERBTRAN BU

YES ←

CAN YOU SAY:

AMA VERBTRAN IKAAT

YES ←

CAN YOU SAY:

ADEY VERBINTRAN JUMA AMA NAW

YES ←

NEXT: *TYPE ←

*S1 := S4

S2 := ADEY

S2 := AMA

*S3 := S5

*S4 := S2 S17

*S5 := S6 S12

S6 := S1

*S7 := S8

*S8 := S12 S6

S9 := MUSUUP

S9 := TUBREY

S10 := IKAAT

S10 := BU

S11 := JUMA

S11 := JUDEY

S12 := S11 S6

S12 := S9

S15 := VERBINTRAN

S15 := NAW

S16 := VERBTRAN

S16 := QBK

S17 := S16 S10

S17 := S15

3.2.6 Indonesian: Koutsoudas #43 and #9 Combined

Some additional sentences were added to the corpus to link the two problems.

PROBLEM 43: INDONESIAN

1. guru itu makan səmaŋka
teacher the eat watermelon
The teacher is eating watermelon.
2. guru itu rupaña makan səmaŋka
The teacher is apparently eating watermelon.
3. rupaña guru itu makan səmaŋka
The teacher is apparently eating watermelon.
4. guru itu makan səmaŋka rupaña
The teacher is apparently eating watermelon.
5. guru itu disini kamarin makan səmaŋka
teacher the here yesterday eat watermelon
The teacher ate watermelon here yesterday.
6. disini kamarin guru itu makan səmaŋka
The teacher ate watermelon here yesterday.
7. guru itu makan səmaŋka disini kamarin
The teacher ate watermelon here yesterday.
8. makan səmaŋka guru itu
The teacher is eating watermelon.
9. rupaña makan səmaŋka guru itu
Apparently the teacher is eating watermelon.
10. makan səmaŋka guru itu rupaña
The teacher is eating watermelon apparently.
11. makan səmaŋka rupaña guru itu
The teacher apparently is eating watermelon.
12. disini kamarin makan səmaŋka guru itu
The teacher ate watermelon here yesterday.
13. makan səmaŋka guru itu disini kamarin
The teacher ate watermelon here yesterday.
14. makan səmaŋka disini kamarin guru itu
The teacher ate watermelon here yesterday.

9. INDONESIAN

- | | |
|---|--|
| 1. ɔraŋ itu makan kacaŋ kamarin | <i>The man ate peanuts yesterday.</i> |
| 2. ɔraŋ itu kamarin makan kacaŋ | <i>The man ate peanuts yesterday.</i> |
| 3. kamarin ɔraŋ itu makan kacaŋ | <i>The man ate peanuts yesterday.</i> |
| 4. kamarin makan kacaŋ ɔraŋ itu | <i>The man ate peanuts yesterday.</i> |
| 5. makan kacaŋ kamarin ɔraŋ itu | <i>The man ate peanuts yesterday.</i> |
| 6. makan kacaŋ ɔraŋ itu kamarin | <i>The man ate peanuts yesterday.</i> |
| 7. ana [?] itu makan kacaŋ kamarin | <i>The child ate peanuts yesterday.</i> |
| 8. ana [?] itu kamarin məmbəli kacaŋ | <i>The child bought peanuts yesterday.</i> |
| 9. kamarin guru itu məmbəli kacaŋ | <i>The teacher bought peanuts yesterday.</i> |
| 10. kamarin məmbəli kuwe guru itu | <i>The teacher bought cookies yesterday.</i> |
| 11. məmbəli kuwe ɔraŋ itu kamarin | <i>The man bought cookies yesterday.</i> |
| 12. makan kacaŋ kamarin ana [?] itu | <i>The child ate peanuts yesterday.</i> |
| 13. kapan ɔraŋ itu makan kuwe | <i>When did the man eat cookies?</i> |
| 14. kapan məmbəli kuwe ana [?] itu | <i>When did the child buy cookies?</i> |
| 15. guru itu kapan makan kacaŋ | <i>When did the teacher eat peanuts?</i> |
| 16. məmbəli kacaŋ kapan ɔraŋ itu | <i>When did the man buy peanuts?</i> |
| 17. məmbəli kuwe ana [?] itu kapan | <i>When did the child buy cookies?</i> |
| 18. guru itu makan kuwe kapan | <i>When did the teacher eat cookies?</i> |
| 19. siapa makan kacaŋ kamarin | <i>Who ate peanuts yesterday?</i> |
| 20. siapa kamarin makan kuwe | <i>Who ate cookies yesterday?</i> |
| 21. kamarin siapa məmbəli kuwe | <i>Who bought cookies yesterday?</i> |
| 22. yaŋ kamarin məmbəli kacaŋ siapa | <i>Who bought peanuts yesterday?</i> |
| 23. yaŋ makan kacaŋ siapa kamarin | <i>Who ate peanuts yesterday?</i> |
| 24. yaŋ məmbəli kuwe kamarin siapa | <i>Who bought cookies yesterday?</i> |

BEGIN AUTOLING

NEXT: GURU ITU MAKAN SEMANGKA ←

NEXT: ORANG ITU MAKAN SEMANGKA ← [added to problem]

NEXT: ANAQ ITU MAKAN SEMANGKA ← [added to problem]

NEXT: GURU ITU MEMBELI SEMANGKA ← [added to problem]

CAN YOU SAY:

ANAQ ITU MEMBELI SEMANGKA

YES ←

NEXT: GURU ITU MEMBELI KUWE ← [added to problem]

CAN YOU SAY:

ORANG ITU MAKAN KUWE

YES ←

PARSING ILLEGALS

NEXT: GURU ITU MAKAN KACANG ← [added to problem]

NEXT: *TYPE ←

*S1 := S2 ITU S3 S4

S2 := ANAQ

S2 := ORANG

S2 := GURU

S3 := MEMBELI

S3 := MAKAN

S4 := KACANG

S4 := KUWE

S4 := SEMANGKA

GURU ITU RUPANYA MAKAN SEMANGKA ←

CAN YOU SAY:

GURU ITU RUPANYA MEMBELI KACANG

YES ←

NEXT: RUPANYA GURU ITU MAKAN SEMANGKA ←

CAN YOU SAY:

RUPANYA ANAQ ITU MEMBELI SEMANGKA

YES ←

NEXT: GURU ITU MAKAN SEMANGKA RUPANYA ←

CAN YOU SAY:

GURU ITU MEMBELI SEMANGKA RUPANYA

YES ←

NEXT: GURU ITU DISINI KAMARIN MAKAN SEMANGKA ←
CAN YOU SAY:

ORANG ITU DISINI KAMARIN MEMBELI KUWE
YES ←
PARSING ILLEGALS

NEXT: DISINI KAMARIN GURU ITU MAKAN SEMANGKA ←
CAN YOU SAY:

DISINI KAMARIN ANAQ ITU MAKAN KUWE
YES ←

NEXT: GURU ITU MAKAN SEMANGKA DISINI KAMARIN ←
CAN YOU SAY:

GURU ITU MAKAN KUWE DISINI KAMARIN
YES ←

NEXT: *TYPE ←

*S1 := S2 ITU S3 S4
S2 := ANAQ
S2 := ORANG
S2 := GURU
S3 := MEMBELI
S3 := MAKAN
S4 := KACANG
S4 := SEMANGKA
*S5 := S2 ITU RUPANYA S3 S4
*S6 := RUPANYA S1
*S7 := S1 RUPANYA
*S8 := S2 ITU DISINI KAMARIN S3 S4
*S9 := DISINI KAMARIN S1
*S10 := S1 DISINI KAMARIN

MAKAN SEMANGKA GURU ITU ←
CAN YOU SAY:

MEMBELI KUWE ORANG ITU
YES ←

NEXT: RUPANYA MAKAN SEMANGKA GURU ITU ←
CAN YOU SAY:

RUPANYA MAKAN KUWE ORANG ITU
YES ←

CAN YOU SAY:

MAKAN KUWE ANAQ ITU DISINI KAMARIN
YES ←

CAN YOU SAY:

MAKAN KACANG GURU ITU RUPANYA
YES ←

CAN YOU SAY:

DISINI KAMARIN MEMBELI KUWE ORANG ITU
YES ←

NEXT: *TYPE ←
 *S1 := S2 ITU S3 S4
 S2 := ANAQ
 S2 := ORANG
 S2 := GURU
 S3 := MEMBELI
 S3 := MAKAN
 S4 := KACANG
 S4 := KUWE
 S4 := SEMANGKA
 *S5 := S2 ITU RUPANYA S3 S4
 *S6 := RUPANYA S12
 *S7 := S12 RUPANYA
 *S8 := S2 ITU DISINI KAMARIN S3 S4
 *S9 := DISINI KAMARIN S12
 *S10 := S12 DISINI KAMARIN
 *S11 := S3 S4 S2 ITU
 S12 := S11
 S12 := S1

MAKAN SEMANGKA GURU ITU RUPANYA ←
 -PARSED OK-
 PARSING ILLEGALS

NEXT: MAKAN SEMANGKA RUPANYA GURU ITU ←
 CAN YOU SAY:
 MEMBELI KUWE RUPANYA GURU ITU
 YES ←

NEXT: DISINI KAMARIN MAKAN SEMANGKA GURU ITU ←
 -PARSED OK-

NEXT: MAKAN SEMANGKA GURU ITU DISINI KAMARIN ←
 -PARSED OK-

NEXT: MAKAN SEMANGKA DISINI KAMARIN GURU ITU ←
 CAN YOU SAY:
 MEMBELI KUWE DISINI KAMARIN ANAQ ITU
 YES ←

NEXT: *TYPE ←
 *S1 := S2 ITU S3 S4
 S2 := ANAQ
 S2 := ORANG
 S2 := GURU
 S3 := MEMBELI
 S3 := MAKAN
 S4 := KACANG
 S4 := KUWE
 S4 := SEMANGKA
 *S5 := S2 ITU RUPANYA S3 S4
 *S6 := RUPANYA S12
 *S7 := S12 RUPANYA
 *S8 := S2 ITU DISINI KAMARIN S3 S4
 *S9 := DISINI KAMARIN S12
 *S10 := S12 DISINI KAMARIN
 *S11 := S3 S4 S2 ITU
 S12 := S11
 S12 := S1
 *S13 := S3 S4 RUPANYA S2 ITU
 *S14 := S3 S4 DISINI KAMARIN S2 ITU

ORANG ITU MAKAN KACANG KAMARIN ←
 CAN YOU SAY:
 MAKAN KACANG ORANG ITU KAMARIN
 YES ←
 CAN YOU SAY:
 KAMARIN ANAQ ITU MAKAN KUWE
 YES ←
 CAN YOU SAY:
 ORANG ITU KAMARIN MEMBELI KUWE
 YES ←
 CAN YOU SAY:
 MAKAN SEMANGKA RUPANYA ORANG ITU
 YES ←
 CAN YOU SAY:
 ANAQ ITU DISINI RUPANYA MEMBELI SEMANGKA
 NO ←
 CAN YOU SAY:
 DISINI RUPANYA ANAQ ITU MAKAN SEMANGKA
 NO ←
 CAN YOU SAY:
 MAKAN SEMANGKA ORANG ITU DISINI RUPANYA
 NO ←
 CAN YOU SAY:
 MAKAN KACANG DISINI RUPANYA ANAQ ITU
 NO ←
 PARSING ILLEGALS

NEXT: *TYPE ←
 *S1 := S2 ITU S3 S4
 S2 := ANAQ
 S2 := ORANG
 S2 := GURU
 S3 := MEMBELI
 S3 := MAKAN
 S4 := KUWE
 S4 := SEMANGKA
 *S5 := S2 ITU S15 S3 S4
 *S6 := S15 S12
 *S7 := S12 S15
 *S8 := S2 ITU DISINI KAMARIN S3 S4
 *S9 := DISINI KAMARIN S12
 *S10 := S12 DISINI KAMARIN
 *S11 := S3 S4 S2 ITU
 S12 := S11
 S12 := S1
 *S13 := S3 S4 S15 S2 ITU
 *S14 := S3 S4 DISINI KAMARIN S2 ITU
 S15 := KAMARIN
 S15 := RUPANYA

ORANG ITU KAMARIN MAKAN KACANG ←
 -PARSED OK-

NEXT: KAMARIN ORANG ITU MAKAN KACANG ←
 -PARSED OK-

NEXT: KAMARIN MAKAN KACANG ORANG ITU ←
 -PARSED OK-

NEXT: MAKAN KACANG KAMARIN ORANG ITU ←
 -PARSED OK-

NEXT: MAKAN KACANG ORANG ITU KAMARIN ←
 -PARSED OK-

NEXT: ANAQ ITU MAKAN KACANG KAMARIN ←
 -PARSED OK-

NEXT: ANAQ ITU KAMARIN MEMBELI KACANG ←
 -PARSED OK-

NEXT: KAMARIN GURU ITU MEMBELI KACANG ←
 -PARSED OK-

NEXT: KAMARIN MEMBELI KUWE GURU ITU ←
 -PARSED OK-

NEXT: MEMBELI KUWE ORANG ITU KAMARIN ←
 -PARSED OK-

NEXT: MAKAN KACANG KAMARIN ANAQ ITU ←
 -PARSED OK -

NEXT: KAPAN ORANG ITU MAKAN KUWE ←
 CAN YOU SAY:
 MEMBELI SEMANGKA KAPAN GURU ITU
 YES ←
 CAN YOU SAY:
 GURU ITU KAPAN MEMBELI KACANG
 YES ←
 CAN YOU SAY:
 MAKAN KACANG GURU ITU KAPAN
 YES ←

NEXT: *TYPE ←
 *S1 := S2 ITU S3 S4
 S2 := ANAQ
 S2 := ORANG
 S2 := GURU
 S3 := MEMBELI
 S3 := MAKAN
 S4 := KACANG
 S4 := KUWE
 S4 := SEMANGKA
 *S5 := S2 ITU S15 S3 S4
 *S6 := S15 S12
 *S7 := S12 S15
 *S8 := S2 ITU DISINI KAMARIN S3 S4
 *S9 := DISINI KAMARIN S12
 *S10 := S12 DISINI KAMARIN
 *S11 := S3 S4 S2 ITU
 S12 := S11
 S12 := S1
 *S13 := S3 S4 S15 S2 ITU
 *S14 := S3 S4 DISINI KAMARIN S2 ITU
 S15 := KAPAN
 S15 := KAMARIN
 S15 := RUPANYA

KAPAN MEMBELI KUWE ANAQ ITU ←
 -PARSED OK -

NEXT: GURU ITU KAPAN MAKAN KACANG ←
 -PARSED OK-

NEXT: MEMBELI KACANG KAPAN ORANGE ITU ←
 -PARSED OK-

NEXT: MEMBELI KUWE ANAQ ITU KAPAN ←
 -PARSED OK-
 PARSING ILLEGALS

NEXT: GURU ITU MAKAN KUWE KAPAN ←
 -PARSED OK-

NEXT: SIAPA MAKAN KACANG KAMARIN ←
 CAN YOU SAY:
 SIAPA MAKAN KACANG KAPAN
 NO ←

NEXT: SIAPA KAMARIN MAKAN KUWE ←
 CAN YOU SAY:
 SIAPA RUPANYA MAKAN SEMANGKA
 NO ←

NEXT: *TYPE ←
 *S1 := S2 ITU S3 S4
 S2 := ANAQ
 S2 := ORANG
 S2 := GURU
 S3 := MEMBELI
 S3 := MAKAN
 S4 := KACANG
 S4 := KUWE
 S4 := SEMANGKA
 *S5 := S2 ITU S15 S3 S4
 *S6 := S15 S12
 *S7 := S12 S15
 *S8 := S2 ITU DISINI KAMARIN S3 S4
 *S9 := DISINI KAMARIN S12
 *S10 := S12 DISINI KAMARIN
 *S11 := S3 S4 S2 ITU
 S12 := S11
 S12 := S1
 *S13 := S3 S4 S15 S2 ITU
 *S14 := S3 S4 DISINI KAMARIN S2 ITU
 S15 := KAPAN
 S15 := KAMARIN
 S15 := RUPANYA
 *S16 := SIAPA MAKAN KACANG KAMARIN
 *S17 := SIAPA KAMARIN MAKAN KUWE

KAMARIN SIAPA MEMBELI KUWE ←

CAN YOU SAY:

KAPAN SIAPA MEMBELI SEMANGKA

NO ←

NEXT: YANG KAMARIN MEMBELI KACANG SIAPA ←

CAN YOU SAY:

YANG RUPANYA MAKAN KUWE SIAPA

NO ←

NEXT: YANG MAKAN KACANG SIAPA KAMARIN ←

CAN YOU SAY:

YANG MAKAN SEMANGKA SIAPA KAPAN

NO ←

PARSIN ILLEGALS

NEXT: YANG MEMBELI KUWE KAMARIN SIAPA ←

CAN YOU SAY:

YANG MEMBELI KACANG RUPANYA SIAPA

NO ←

NEXT: *TYPE ←

*S1 := S2 ITU S3 S4

S2 := ANAQ

S2 := ORANG

S2 := GURU

S3 := MEMBELI

S3 := MAKAN

S4 := KACANG

S4 := KUWE

S4 := SEMANGKA

*S5 := S2 ITU S15 S3 S4

*S6 := S15 S12

*S7 := S12 S15

*S8 := S2 ITU DISINI KAMARIN S3 S4

*S9 := DISINI KAMARIN S12

*S10 := S12 DISINI KAMARIN

*S11 := S3 S4 S2 ITU

S12 := S11

S12 := S1

*S13 := S3 S4 S15 S2 ITU

*S14 := S3 S4 DISINI KAMARIN S2 ITU

S15 := KAPAN

S15 := KAMARIN

S15 := RUPANYA

*S16 := SIAPA MAKAN KACANG KAMARIN

*S17 := SIAPA KAMARIN MAKAN KUWE

*S18 := KAMARIN SIAPA MEMBELI KUWE

*S19 := YANG KAMARIN MEMBELI KACANG SIAPA

*S20 := YANG MAKAN KACANG SIAPA KAMARIN

*S21 := YANG MEMBELI KUWE KAMARIN SIAPA

SIAPA MEMBELI KACANG KAMARIN ← [added to the problem]
 CAN YOU SAY:
 SIAPA MEMBELI SEMANGKA KAMARIN
 YES ←

NEXT: SIAPA MAKAN KUWE KAMARIN ← [added to the problem]
 -PARSED OK-

NEXT: SIAPA MAKAN KACANG KAMARIN ← [added to the problem]
 -PARSED OK-

NEXT: *TYPE ←
 *S1 := S2 ITU S3 S4
 S2 := ANAQ
 S2 := ORANG
 S2 := GURU
 S3 := MEMBELI
 S3 := MAKAN
 S4 := KACANG
 S4 := KUWE
 S4 := SEMANGKA
 *S5 := S2 ITU S15 S3 S4
 *S6 := S15 S12
 *S7 := S12 S15
 *S8 := S2 ITU DISINI KAMARIN S3 S4
 *S9 := DISINI KAMARIN S12
 *S10 := S12 DISINI KAMARIN
 *S11 := S3 S4 S2 ITU
 S12 := S11
 S12 := S1
 *S13 := S3 S4 S15 S2 ITU
 *S14 := S3 S4 DISINI KAMARIN S2 ITU
 S15 := KAPAN
 S15 := KAMARIN
 S15 := RUPANYA
 *S16 := SIAPA MAKAN KACANG KAMARIN
 *S17 := SIAPA KAMARIN MAKAN KUWE
 *S18 := KAMARIN SIAPA MEMBELI KUWE
 *S19 := YANG KAMARIN MEMBELI KACANG SIAPA
 *S20 := YANG MAKAN KACANG SIAPA KAMARIN
 *S21 := YANG MEMBELI KUWE KAMARIN SIAPA
 *S22 := SIAPA S3 S4 S15

3.2.7 Thai

Problem constructed by Peter Lee of the University of Wisconsin Linguistics Department, who also acted as informant. The tones are not indicated as they are not pertinent to this particular problem. Glosses of the sentences have been added to the original teletype printout.

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BEGIN AUTOLING

NEXT: KHUN CHOOP PHAK ← ("You like vegetables")

NEXT: KHUN CHOOP BURII ← ("You like cigarettes")

NEXT: *TYPE ←

*S1 := KHUN CHOOP S2

S2 := BURII

S2 := PHAK

KHUN CHOOP KHAJ ← ("You like eggs")

NEXT: *TYPE ←

*S1 := KHUN CHOOP S2

S2 := KHAJ

S2 := BURII

S2 := PHAK

KHUN HIW KHAJ ← ("You are hungry for eggs")

CAN YOU SAY:

KHUN HIW BURII

NO ←

NEXT: *TYPE ←

*S1 := KHUN CHOOP S2

S2 := KHAJ

S2 := BURII

S2 := PHAK

*S5 := KHUN HIW KHAJ

KHUN HIW KHAAW ← ("You are hungry for rice")

PARSING ILLEGALS

NEXT: *TYPE ←
 *S1 := KHUN CHOOP S2
 S2 := KHAJ
 S2 := BURII
 S2 := PHAK
 *S5 := KHUN HIW S6
 S6 := KHAAW
 S6 := KHAJ

KHUN HIW PHAK ←

("You are hungry for vegetables")

NEXT: *TYPE ←
 *S1 := KHUN CHOOP S2
 S2 := KHAJ
 S2 := BURII
 S2 := PHAK
 *S5 := S10
 S6 := PHAK
 S6 := KHAAW
 S6 := KHAJ
 *S10 := KHUN HIW S6

KHUN HIW NAAM

("You are thirsty.")

NEXT: KHUN HIW NAAM MAJ ←
 CAN YOU SAY:
 KHUN HIW KHAJ MAJ
 YES ←

("Are you thirsty?")

NEXT: *TYPE ←
 *S1 := KHUN CHOOP S2
 S2 := KHAJ
 S2 := BURII
 S2 := PHAK
 *S5 := S10
 S6 := NAAM
 S6 := PHAK
 S6 := KHAAW
 S6 := KHAJ
 *S10 := KHUN HIW S6
 *S11 := S5 MAJ

KHUN CHOOP KHAJ MAJ ←

("Do you like eggs?")

CAN YOU SAY:
 KHUN CHOOP BURII MAJ
 YES ←

("Do you like cigarettes?")

NEXT: *TYPE ←

*S1 := KHUN CHOOP S2

S2 := KHAJ

S2 := BURII

S2 := PHAK

*S5 := S10

S6 := NAAM

S6 := PHAK

S6 := KHAAW

S6 := KHAJ

*S10 := KHUN KIW S6

*S11 := S12 MAJ

S12 := S1

S12 := S5

KHUN CHOOP PHAK MAJ -

-PARSED OK-

PARSING ILLEGALS

("Do you like vegetables?")

NEXT: KHAW MII NAAM MAJ ←

CAN YOU SAY:

KHAW MII PHAK MAJ

YES ←

("Does he have water?")

("Does he have vegetables?")

NEXT: PHOM MII PHAK ←

CAN YOU SAY:

PHOM MII KHAJ

YES ←

("I have vegetables.")

("I have eggs.")

NEXT: *TYPE ←

*S1 := KHUN CHOOP S2

S2 := KHAJ

S2 := BURII

S2 := PHAK

*S5 := S10

S6 := NAAM

S6 := PHAK

S6 := KHAAW

S6 := KHAJ

*S10 := KHUN HIW S6

*S11 := S12 MAJ

S12 := S1

S12 := S5

*S13 := KHAW MII S6 MAJ

*S14 := PHOM MII S6

KHAW CHOOP KHAJ ←

CAN YOU SAY:

KHAW CHOOP PHAK

YES ←

("He likes eggs.")

("He likes vegetables.")

CAN YOU SAY: KHAH HIW PHAK	("He is hungry for vegetables.")
CAN YOU SAY: KHUN MII KHAAW MAJ	("Do you have rice?")
YES ←	
NEXT: *TYPE ←	
*S1 := S15 CHOOP S2	
S2 := KHAJ	
S2 := BURII	
S2 := PHAK	
*S5 := S10	
S6 := NAAM	
S6 := PHAK	
S6 := KHAAW	
S6 := KHAJ	
*S10 := S15 HIW S6	
*S11 := S12 MAJ	
S12 := S1	
S12 := S5	
*S13 := S15 MII S6 MAJ	
*S14 := PHOM MII S6	
S15 := KHAW	
S15 := KHUN	
KHUN MII KHAJ ←	("You have egg(s).")
CAN YOU SAY: KHUN MII NAAM	("You have water.")
YES ←	
CAN YOU SAY: PHOM CHOOP KHAJ	("I like egg(s).")
YES ←	
CAN YOU SAY: PHOM MII KHAAW MAJ	("Do I have rice?")
YES ←	
CAN YOU SAY: PHOM HIW KHAJ	("I'm hungry for egg(s).")
YES ←	
CAN YOU SAY: KHAW MII KHAAW MAJ	("Does he have rice?")
YES ←	
CAN YOU SAY: KHAW MII PHAK	("He has vegetable(s).")
YES ←	
CAN YOU SAY: PHOM HIW NAAM	("I am thirsty.")
YES ←	
CAN YOU SAY: PHOM HIW KHAAW	("I'm hungry (for rice.)")
YES ←	

CAN YOU SAY:
 PHOM MII NAAM MAJ ("Do I have water?")
 YES ←
 CAN YOU SAY:
 PHOM MII KHAJ MAJ ("Do I have egg(s)?")
 YES ←
 CAN YOU SAY:
 KHUN MII KHAJ MAJ ("Do you have egg(s)?")
 YES ←
 CAN YOU SAY:
 KHAW CHOOP KHAJ MAJ ("Does he like egg(s)?")
 YES ←

NEXT: *TYPE ←

*S1 := S15 CHOOP S2
 S2 := KHAJ
 S2 := BURII
 S2 := PHAK
 *S5 := S10
 S6 := NAAM
 S6 := PHAK
 S6 := KHAAW
 S6 := KHAJ
 *S10 := S14
 *S11 := S13
 S12 := S1
 S12 := S5
 *S13 := S17 MAJ
 *S14 := S15 S16 S6
 S15 := PHOM
 S15 := KHAW
 S15 := KHUN
 S16 := MII
 S16 := HIW
 S17 := S10
 S17 := S12

Morphological Note:

PHOM = 'I' (masc. speaker)
 DICHAN = 'I' (fem. speaker)
 KHRAP = 'sir or ma'am' (masc. speaker)
 KHA = 'sir or ma'am' (fem. speaker)

PHOM KIN KHAJ KHRAP ← ("I eat egg(s), sir or ma'am.")
 CAN YOU SAY:
 PHOM KIN KHAAW KHRAP ("I eat rice, sir or ma'am.")
 YES ←
 PARSING ILLEGALS
 NEXT: DICHAN KIN KHAAW KHA ← ("I eat rice, sir or ma'am.")
 CAN YOU SAY:
 DICHAN KIN KHAJ KHA ("I eat egg(s), sir or ma'am.")
 YES ←

NEXT: *TYPE ←
 *S1 := S15 CHOOP S2
 S2 := KHAJ
 S2 := BURII
 S2 := PHAK
 *S5 := S10
 S6 := NAAM
 S6 := PHAK
 S6 := KHAAW
 S6 := KHAJ
 *S10 := S14
 *S11 := S13
 S12 := S1
 S12 := S5
 *S13 := S17 MAJ
 *S14 := S15 S16 S6
 S15 := PHOM
 S15 := KHAW
 S15 := KHUN
 S16 := MII
 S16 := HIW
 S17 := S10
 S17 := S12
 *S18 := S15 KIN S6 KHRAP
 *S19 := DICHAN KIN S6 KHA

DICHAN KAMLANG KIN KHAJ KHA ←
 CAN YOU SAY:

("I am eating egg(s) sir or ma'am.")

DICHAN KAMLANG KIN KHAAW KHA
 YES ←

("I am eating rice sir or ma'am.")

NEXT: *TYPE ←
 *S1 := S15 CHOOP S2
 S2 := KHAJ
 S2 := BURII
 S2 := PHAK
 *S5 := S10
 S6 := NAAM
 S6 := PHAK
 S6 := KHAAW
 S6 := KHAJ
 *S10 := S14
 *S11 := S13
 S12 := S1
 S12 := S5
 *S13 := S17 MAJ
 *S14 := S15 S16 S6
 S15 := PHOM
 S15 := KHAW
 S15 := KHUN

S16 := MII
 S16 := HIW
 S17 := S10
 S17 := S12
 *S18 := S15 KIN S6 KHRAP
 *S19 := DICHAN KIN S6 KHA
 *S20 := DICHAN KAMLANG KIN S6 KHA

KHAW KIN PHAK ← ("He eats vegetable(s).")
 CAN YOU SAY:
 KHAW HIW PHAK KHRAP ("He is hungry for vegetable(s)
 sir or ma'am.")
 YES ←
 CAN YOU SAY:
 DICHAN KIN NAAM KHA ("I am drinking, sir or ma'am.")
 YES ←
 CAN YOU SAY:
 DICHAN KAMLANG HIW NAAM KHA ("I am (and have been for some
 time) thirsty, sir or ma'am.")
 YES ←

NEXT: *TYPE ←
 *S1 := S15 CHOOP S2
 S2 := KHAJ
 S2 := BURII
 S2 := PHAK
 *S5 := S10
 S6 := NAAM
 S6 := PHAK
 S6 := KHAAW
 S6 := KHAJ
 *S10 := S14
 *S11 := S13
 S12 := S1
 S12 := S5
 *S13 := S17 MAJ
 *S14 := S15 S16 S6
 S15 := PHOM
 S15 := KHAW
 S16 := KHUN
 S16 := KIN
 S16 := MII
 S16 := HIW
 S17 := S10
 S17 := S12
 *S18 := S15 S16 S6 KHRAP
 *S19 := DICHAN S16 S6 KHA
 *S20 := DICHAN KAMLANG S16 S6 KHA

DICHAN CA HIW NAAM KHA ←
 CAN YOU SAY:
 DICHAN CA KIN PHAK KHA
 YES ←

("I (will
 am about to) be thirsty, sir.")
 ("I will eat vegetable(s), sir.")

NEXT: NAKRIAN CA KIN KLUAJ ←
 CAN YOU SAY:
 NAKRIAN KAMLANG HIW KLAUJ
 YES ←
 PARSING ILLEGALS

("Students will eat banana(s).")
 ("The students are (and have been
 for some time)
 hungry for bananas.

NEXT: NAKRIAN KAMLANG KIN KLUAJ ←
 -PARSED OK-

((The) students are eating bananas.)

NEXT: NAKRIAN KAMLANG RIAN NANGSYY ←
 CAN YOU SAY:
 NAKRIAN CA RIAN NANGSYY
 YES ←

((The) students are studying (books).)

((The) students will study (books).)

NEXT: *TYPE ←
 *S1 := S15 CHOOP S2
 S2 := KHAJ
 S2 := BURII
 S2 := PHAK
 *S5 := S10
 S6 := NAAM
 S6 := PHAK
 S6 := KHAAW
 S6 := KHAJ
 *S10 := S14
 *S11 := S13
 S12 := S1
 S12 := S5
 *S13 := S17 MAJ
 *S14 := S15 S16 S6
 S15 := PHOM
 S15 := KHAW
 S15 := KHUN
 S16 := KIN
 S16 := MII
 S16 := HIW
 S17 := S10
 S17 := S12
 *S18 := S15 S16 S6 KHRAP
 *S19 := DICHAN S16 S6 KHA
 *S20 := DICHAN S21 S16 S6 KHA
 S21 := CA
 S21 := KAMLANG
 *S22 := NAKRIAN S21 S16 KLUAJ
 *S23 := NAKRIAN S21 RIAN NANGSYY

KHRUU KAMLANG SOON NAKRIAN ← ("Teacher is teaching the students.")
 CAN YOU SAY:
 KHRUU CA SOON NAKRIAN ("The teacher will teach students.")
 YES ←

NEXT: KHRUU KAMLANG SOON NANGSYU ← ((The) teacher is teaching (from
 CAN YOU SAY: the book).)
 KHRUU CA SOON NANGSYU ((The) teacher will teach (from the book).)
 YES ←

CAN YOU SAY:
 NANGSYU CA RIAN NANGSYU (The book(s) will study book(s).)
 NO ←

CAN YOU SAY:
 NANGSYU KAMLANG KIN KLUAJ (The book is eating bananas.)
 NO ←

CAN YOU SAY:
 NAKRIAN KAMLANG RIAN NAKRIAN (The student is studying students.)
 NO ←

NEXT: *TYPE ←
 *S1 := S15 CHOOP S2
 S2 := KHAJ
 S2 := BURII
 S2 := PHAK
 *S5 := S10
 S6 := NAAM
 S6 := PHAK
 S6 := KHAAW
 S6 := KHAJ
 *S10 := S14
 *S11 := S13
 S12 := S1
 S12 := S5
 *S13 := S17 MAJ
 *S14 := S15 S16 S6
 S15 := PHOM
 S15 := KHAW
 S15 := KHUN
 S16 := KIN
 S16 := MII
 S16 := HIW
 S17 := S10
 S17 := S12
 *S18 := S15 S16 S6 KHRAP
 *S19 := DICHAN S16 S6 KHA
 *S20 := DICHAN S21 S16 S6 KHA
 S21 := CA
 S21 := KAMLANG

*S22 := NAKRIAN S21 S16 KLUAJ
 *S23 := NAKRIAN S21 RIAN NANGSY
 *S24 := KHRUU S21 SOON S25
 S25 := NANGSY
 S25 := NAKRIAN

KHRUU JAJ MAAK ← (" The teacher is very big.")

NEXT. KHRUU KHAW KAW MAAK ← ("His teacher is very old.")
 CAN YOU SAY:

KHRUU PHOM KAW MAAK ("My teacher is very old.")
 YES ←

PARSING ILLEGALS

NEXT: *TYPE ←

*S1 := S15 CHOOP S2
 S2 := KHAJ
 S2 := BURII
 S2 := PHAK
 *S5 := S10
 S6 := NAAM
 S6 := PHAK
 S6 := KHAAW
 S6 := KHAJ
 *S10 := S14
 *S11 := S13
 S12 := S1
 S12 := S5
 *S13 := S17 MAJ
 *S14 := S15 S16 S6
 S15 := PHOM
 S15 := KHAW
 S15 := KHUN
 S16 := KIN
 S16 := MII
 S16 := HIW
 S17 := S10
 S17 := S12
 *S18 := S15 S16 S6 KHRAP
 *S19 := DICHAN S16 S6 KHA
 *S20 := DICHAN S21 S16 S6 KHA
 S21 := CA
 S21 := KAMLANG
 *S22 := NAKRIAN S21 S16 KLUAJ
 *S23 := NAKRIAN S21 RIAN NANGSY
 *S24 := KHRUU S21 SOON S25
 S25 := NANGSY
 S25 := NAKRIAN
 *S26 := KHRUU JAJ MAAK
 *S27 := KHRUU S15 KAW MAAK

3.2.8 Mandarian Chinese

Problem constructed by Margaret A. Naeser of the University of Wisconsin Linguistic Department. Ai Chen Ting of the University of Wisconsin East Asian Languages and Literature Department served as informant. Transcription is in the Yale romanization system. Tones are not indicated as they were not pertinent to this particular problem (no minimal pairs used). Glosses have been added to the original output.

SYSTEM REINITIALIZED

NEXT: WO SHWO HWA ←	("I speak words.")
NEXT: TA SHWO HWA ←	("He speaks words.")
NEXT: NI SHWO HWA ←	("You speak words.")
NEXT: WO MEN SHWO HWA ←	("I plural speak words.")
CAN YOU SAY:	<u>we</u>
NI MEN SHWO HWA	("You plural speak words.")
YES ←	
NEXT: WO YOU SHU ←	("I have books.")
CAN YOU SAY:	
TA YOU SHU	("He has books.")
YES ←	
PARSING ILLEGALS	

NEXT: *TYPE ←	
*S1 := S2 SHWO HWA	
S2 := NI	
S2 := TA	
S2 := WO	
*S3 := S2 MEN SHWO HWA	
*S4 := S2 YOU SHU	
WO YOU JUNG GWO SHU ←	("I have <u>China Land</u> books.")
CAN YOU SAY:	Chinese
TA YOU JUNG GWO SHU	("He has China Land books.")
YES ←	

NEXT: WO YOU FA GWO SHU ←	("I have <u>France Land</u> books.")
CAN YOU SAY:	French
TA YOU FA GWO SHU	("He has <u>France Land</u> books.")
YES ←	French
NEXT: WO SHWO FA GWO HWA ←	("I speak <u>France Land</u> words.")
CAN YOU SAY:	French
NI SHWO FA GWO HWA	("You speak French.")
YES ←	
NEXT: WO YOU YING GWO SHU ←	("I have <u>England Land</u> books.")
CAN YOU SAY:	English
NI SHWO YING GWO HWA	("You speak <u>England Land</u> words.")
YES ←	English
NEXT: WO YOU DE GWO SHU ←	("I have <u>Germany Land</u> books.")
CAN YOU SAY:	German
NI SHWO DE GWO HWA	("You speak <u>Germany Land</u> words.")
YES ←	German
PARSING ILLEGALS	
NEXT: WO KAN SHU ←	("I read books.")
CAN YOU SAY:	
TA KAN SHU	("He reads books.")
YES ←	
CAN YOU SAY:	
TA KAN YING GWO SHU	("He reads <u>England Land</u> books.")
YES ←	English
NEXT: TA CHANG GER ←	("He sings songs.")
CAN YOU SAY:	
NI CHANG GER	("You sing songs.")
YES ←	
NEXT: *TYPE ←	
*S1 := S2 SHWO HWA	
S2 := NI	
S2 := TA	
S2 := WO	
*S3 := S2 MEN SHWO HWA	
*S4 := S2 S8 SHU	
*S5 := S2 S8 S6 GWO SHU	
S6 := DE	
S6 := YING	
S6 := FA	
S6 := JUNG	
*S7 := S2 SHWO S6 GWO HWA	
S8 := KAN	
S8 := YOU	
*S9 := S2 CHANG GER	

TA CHANGE JUNG GWO GER ←	("He sings China Land songs.")
CAN YOU SAY:	Chinese
NI CHANG JUNG GWO GER	("You sing Chinese songs.")
YES ←	
NEXT: WO CHR FAN ←	("I eat food.")
CAN YOU SAY:	
TA CHR FAN	("He eats food.")
YES ←	
NEXT: TA CHR JUNG GWO FAN ←	("He eats <u>China Land</u> food.")
CAN YOU SAY:	Chinese
TA CHR YING GWO FAN	("He eats <u>England Land</u> food.")
YES ←	English
PARSING ILLEGALS	
NEXT: TA DZWO FAN ←	("He prepares food.")
CAN YOU SAY:	
WO DZWO FAN	("I prepare food.")
YES ←	
CAN YOU SAY:	
WO DZWO YING GWO FAN	("I prepare <u>England Land</u> food.")
YES ←	English
NEXT: TA CHR TSAI ←	("He eats vegetables.")
CAN YOU SAY:	
TA DZWO TSAI	("He prepares vegetables.")
YES ←	
CAN YOU SAY:	
NI CHR JUNG GWO TSAI	("You eat Chinese vegetables.")
YES ←	
NEXT: *TYPE ←	
*S1 := S2 SHWO HWA	
S2 := NI	
S2 := TA	
S2 := WO	
*S3 := S2 MEN SHWO HWA	
*S4 := S2 S8 SHU	
*S5 := S2 S8 S6 GWO SHU	
S6 := DE	
S6 := YING	
S6 := FA	
S6 := JUNG	
*S7 := S2 SHWO S6 GWO HWA	
S8 := KAN	
S8 := YOU	
*S9 := S2 CHANG GER	

*S10 := S2 CHANG S6 GWO GER
 *S11 := S2 S13 S14
 *S12 := S2 S13 S6 GWO S14
 S13 := DZWO
 S13 := CHR
 S14 := TSAI
 S14 := FAN

WO HE CHA ← ("I drink tea.")
 CAN YOU SAY:
 TA HE CHA ("He drinks tea.")
 YES ←

NEXT: WO HE JYOU ← ("I drink wine.")
 CAN YOU SAY:
 NI HE JYOU ("You drink wine.")
 YES ←

NEXT: WO HE PIJYOU ← ("I drink beer.")
 PARSING ILLEGALS

NEXT: WO HE FA GWO PIJYOU ← ("I drink French beer.")
 CAN YOU SAY:
 NI HE FA GWO PIJYOU ("You drink French beer.")
 YES ←

NEXT: SHEI HE FA GWO PIJYOU ← ("Who drinks French beer?")
 CAN YOU SAY:
 SHEI SHWO HWA ("Who speaks words?")
 YES ←

CAN YOU SAY:
 SHEI HE JYOU ("Who drinks wine?")

*TYPE ←
 *S1 := S2 SHWO HWA
 S2 := SHEI
 S2 := NI
 S2 := TA
 S2 := WO
 *S3 := S2 MEN SHWO HWA
 *S4 := S2 S8 SHU
 *S5 := S2 S8 S6 GWO SHU
 S6 := DE
 S6 := YING
 S6 := FA
 S6 := FA
 S6 := JUNG
 *S7 := S2 SHWO S6 GWO HWA
 S8 := KAN
 S8 := YOU

*S9 := S2 CHANG GER
 *S10 := S2 CHANG S6 GWO GER
 *S11 := S2 S13 S14
 *S12 := S2 S13 S6 GWO S14
 S13 := DZWO
 S13 := CHR
 S14 := TSAI
 S14 := FAN
 *S15 := S2 HE S16
 S16 := PIJYOU
 S16 := JYOU
 S16 := CHA
 *S17 := S2 HE S6 GWO S16
 YES ←
 CAN YOU SAY:
 SHEI DZWO FAN ("Who prepares food?")
 YES ←
 CAN YOU SAY:
 SHEI DZWO JUNG GWO FAN ("Who prepares Chinese food?")
 YES ←
 CAN YOU SAY:
 SHEI CHANG DE GWO GER ("Who sings German songs?")
 YES ←
 CAN YOU SAY:
 SHEI CHANG GER ("Who sings songs?")
 YES ←
 CAN YOU SAY
 SHEI YOU SHU ("Who has books?")
 YES ←
 CAN YOU SAY:
 SHEI SHWO FA GWO HWA ("Who speaks French words?")
 French
 YES ←
 CAN YOU SAY:
 SHEI KAN DE GWO SHU ("Who reads German books?")
 YES ←
 CAN YOU SAY:
 SHEI MEN SHWO HWA
 NO ←

NEXT: *TYPE ←

*S1 := S18 SHWO HWA
 S2 := NI
 S2 := TA
 S2 := WO
 *S3 := S2 MEN SHWO HWA
 *S4 := S18 S8 SHU
 *S5 := S18 S8 S6 GWO SHU
 S6 := DE
 S6 := YING
 S6 := FA
 S6 := JUNG
 *S7 := S18 SHWO S6 GWO HWA
 S8 := KAN
 S8 := YOU
 *S9 := S18 CHANG GER
 *S10 := S18 CHANG S6 GWO GER
 *S11 := S18 S13 S14
 *S12 := S18 S13 S6 GWO S14
 S13 := DZWO
 S13 := CHR
 S14 := TSAI
 S14 := FAN
 *S15 := S18 HE S16
 S16 := PIJYOU
 S16 := JYOU
 S16 := CHA
 *S17 := S18 HE S6 GWO S16
 S18 := S2
 S18 := SHEI

WO YAU SHWO HWA ←
 CAN YOU SAY:
 TA YAU SHWO HWA
 YES ←

("I want to speak words.")
 speak
 ("He wants to speak words.")
 speak

NEXT: WO SYIHWAN SHWO HWA ←
 CAN YOU SAY:
 SHEI SYIHWAN SHWO HWA
 YES ←

("I desire to speak words.")
 speak
 ("Who desires to speak words.")
 speak

NEXT: WO KEYI SHWO HWA ←
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("I can speak.")

NEXT: WO DEI SHWO HWA ←

("I must speak words.")
 speak

NEXT: WO DEI SHWO JUNG GWO HWA ←	("I must speak China Land words.")
CAN YOU SAY:	Chinese
WO SYIHWAN SHWO FA GWO HWA	("I desire to speak French.")
YES ←	
CAN YOU SAY:	
WO SYIHWAN KAN SHU	("I desire to read books.")
YES ←	
CAN YOU SAY:	
WO YAU CHANG GER	("I want to sing songs.")
YES ←	
CAN YOU SAY:	
TA SYIHWAN CHANG DE GWO GER	("He desires to sing German songs.")
YES ←	
CAN YOU SAY:	
TA KEYI DZWO FA GWO FAN	("He can prepare French food.")
YES ←	
CAN YOU SAY:	
NI DZWO TSAI	("You prepare vegetables.")
YES ←	
CAN YOU SAY:	
NI SYIHWAN HE CHA	("You desire to drink tea.")
YES ←	
CAN YOU SAY:	
NI HE FA GWO CHA	("You drink French tea.")
YES ←	
CAN YOU SAY:	
NI DEI SHWO HWA	("You must speak.")
YES ←	
CAN YOU SAY:	
TA DEI KEYI SHWO HWA	
NO ←	
CAN YOU SAY:	
NI YAU YOU JUNG GWO SHU	("You want to have Chinese books.")
YES ←	
CAN YOU SAY:	
NI SYIHWAN SHWO HWA	("You desire to speak.")
YES ←	
CAN YOU SAY:	
NI SYIHWAN KAN SHU	("You desire to read books.")
YES ←	
CAN YOU SAY:	
SHEI KEYI CHANG GER	("Who can sing songs?")
YES ←	
CAN YOU SAY:	
SHEI CHANG JUNG GWO GER	("Who can sing Chinese songs?")
YES ←	
CAN YOU SAY:	
TA CHR FA GWO FAN	("He eats French food.")
YES ←	

CAN YOU SAY:
 WO KEYI DZWO TSAI ("I can prepare vegetables.")
 YES ←

CAN YOU SAY:
 SHEI HE CHA ("Who drinks tea?")
 YES ←

CAN YOU SAY:
 TA DEI HE YING GWO CHA ("He must drink English tea.")
 YES ←

CAN YOU SAY:
 TA DEI SHWO HWA ("He must speak.")
 YES ←

CAN YOU SAY:
 NI YAU SHWO HWA ("You want to speak.")
 YES ←

CAN YOU SAY:
 TA YAU YOU FA GWO SHU ("He wants to have French books.")
 YES ←

CAN YOU SAY:
 SHEI SHWO YING GWO HWA ("Who speaks English?")
 YES ←

NEXT: WO MEN DEI SHWO HWA ← ("We must speak.")
 CAN YOU SAY:
 SHEI MEN SYIHWAN SHWO HWA
 NO ←

NEXT:
 WO MEN DEI DAU JER LAI SHWO HWA ← ("We must come here to speak.")
 CAN YOU SAY:
 WO KEYI MEN DEI DAU JER LAI SHWO HWA
 NO ←

NEXT: SHEI DEI DAU JER LAI SHWO HWA ← ("Who must come here to speak?")
 CAN YOU SAY:
 WO YAU DAU JER LAI SHWO HWA ("I want to come here to speak.")
 YES ←

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NEXT: WO YAU DAU JYA LAI SHWO HWA ← ("I want to come home to speak.")
 CAN YOU SAY:
 SHEI YAU DAU JYA LAI SHWO HWA ("Who wants to come home to speak.")
 YES ←

NEXT: WO YAU DAU SYWESYAU LAI SHWO HWA ← ("I want to come to school to
 CAN YOU SAY: speak.")
 NI SYIHWAN YAU DAU SYWESYAU LAI SHWO HWA
 NO ←

CAN YOU SAY:
 NI KEYI YAU DAU SYWESYAU LAI SHWO HWA
 NO ←

CAN YOU SAY:

TA YAU DAU SYWESYAU LAI SHWO HWA ("He wants to come to school
YES ← to speak.")

NEXT: WO YAU DAU FANGDZ LAI SHWO HWA ← ("I want to come to the house
to speak.")

NEXT: *TYPE ←

*S1 := S22 SHWO HWA

S2 := NI

S2 := TA

S2 := WO

*S3 := S2 MEN SHWO HWA

*S4 := S22 S8 SHU

*S5 := S22 S8 S6 GWO SHU

S6 := DE

S6 := YING

S6 := FA

S6 := JUNG

*S7 := S22 SHWO S6 GWO HWA

S8 := KAN

S8 := YOU

*S9 := S22 CHANG GER

*S10 := S22 CHANG S6 GWO GER

*S11 := S22 S13 S14

*S12 := S22 S13 S6 GWO S14

S13 := DZWO

S13 := CHR

S14 := TSAI

S14 := FAN

*S15 := S22 HE S16

S16 := PIYOU

S16 := JYOU

S16 := CHA

*S17 := S22 HE S6 GWO S16

S18 := S2

S18 := SHEI

*S19 := S1

S20 := DEI

S20 := KEYI

S20 := SYIHWAN

S20 := YAU

S21 := S2 S20

S21 := S18

S22 := S21

S22 := S18 S20

*S23 := WO MEN DEI SHWO HWA

*S24 := WO MEN DEI DAU JER LAI SHWO HWA

*S25 := S22 DAU JER LAI SHWO HWA

*S26 := S22 YAU DAU S29 LAI SHWO HWA

S29 := FANGDZ

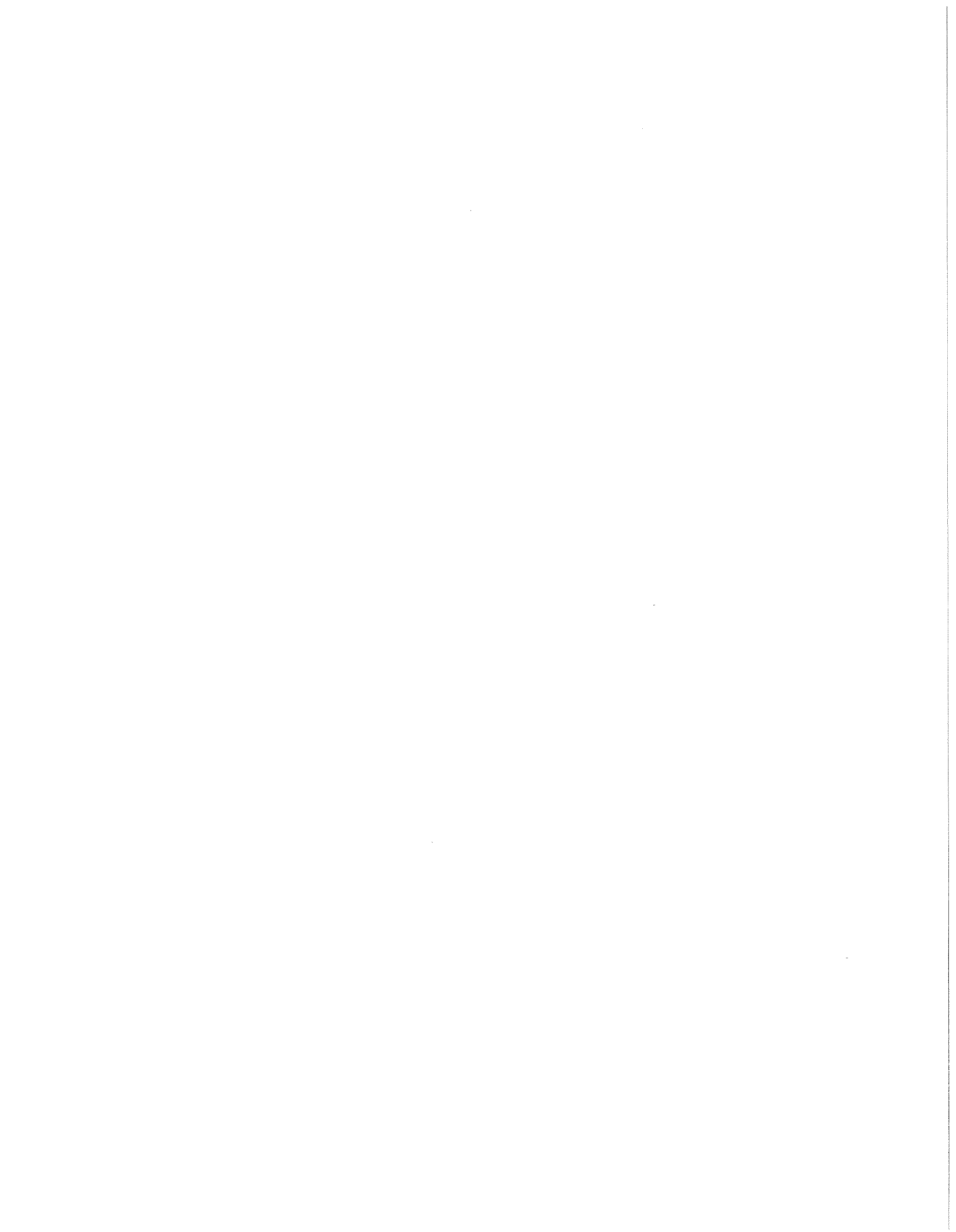
S29 := SYWESYAU

S29 := TYA

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The sensitivity problem described on page 65 is now corrected via random checking. The error might still occur on a random basis if S_2 has more than two members.

The improvement is reflected in the examples of Section 3, e.g. page 19.



3.3 Planned Improvements in the Phrase Structure Learning Program.

The system is very sensitive to the order in which inputs are presented. At the moment the class splitting heuristic 5 does not apply under certain input sequence circumstances. For example, given the inputs:

the girl is tall

a girl is tall,

yielding the grammar:

$$*S_1 \rightarrow S_2 \text{ girl is tall}$$

$$S_2 \rightarrow \text{the}$$

$$S_2 \rightarrow \text{a}$$

If the next input is:

the girl s are tall

The system will add the rule:

$$*S_3 \rightarrow S_2 \text{ girl s are tall}$$

without checking to see if

a girl s are tall

is legal. This test would have been made if the last input had been the first input. As a result the system maintains an illegal rule which may not be corrected for a very long time, if ever. If an 'a' should occur with a plural noun in a later test for another rule and be rejected by the informant, the system will merely reject the rule currently under test. In such circumstance 3 different things may happen. The system may recycle and correct the error in a later learning run; the system may recycle recursively to a depth 3 and quit; or, more frequently, learn a very complicated grammar which is capable of parsing all the inputs from the informant, but which, from a generative point of view, still contains illegal rules.

This flaw can probably be corrected by the following heuristic procedure which will be added to the system: if a given top node string derived from an informant input sentence contains any nonterminals that are classes of morphemes, generate test sentences through the top node string selecting the other members of each morpheme class, and apply the class splitting heuristic 5, each time the informant rejects a test case.

Another method for obtaining a cleaner grammar would be to treat the right half of each rule in which a valid substitution has been made as an informant input, and subject it to the input rule coining heuristics. This improvement will be attempted, but the refining may come only at periodic intervals rather than after every rule change because of computation time problems.

The major improvement of the system will come from converting it to a context sensitive phrase structure learning system. The data structures already have appropriate links for associating context with individual rules. Such an improvement will also require the construction of a context sensitive multi-path parser.

The heuristics for context sensitive learning will be supplemental to, and on the pattern of those for context free learning. Basically, if a context free rule is to be rejected on the basis of an informant's rejection of a text sentence, the system will attempt to reformulate the rule with a context restriction.

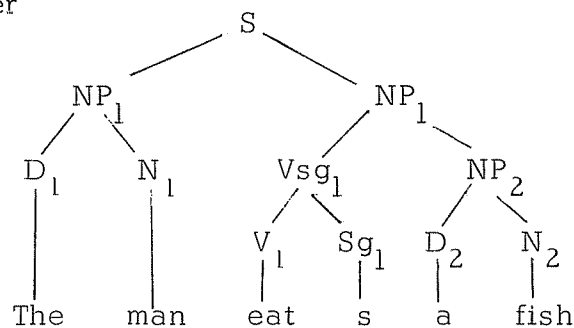
The formulation of the context restrictions themselves will initially be rather specific, but may grow in generality of statement via application of the heuristics already used in learning the context free rules.

4.0 Transformation Learning Program.

Our work on a transformation learning program yielded two learning methods, bottom-to-top and top-to-bottom. The top-to-bottom method, which is entirely the work of William Fabens, was the one actually implemented. The bottom-to-top method, however, lends itself more readily to rule modification via informant interaction, and will be implemented and used in future versions of the system. Both methods require as input first a P-marker, (that is, an input sentence with a tree structure derived either from parsing or generation); and second, the sentence (without a tree) into which the first sentence is to be transformed. In each method the sentences may be in different languages. Both methods yield learning of bilingual transformations. The learning of monolingual transformations is a special case.

4.1 Bottom-to-Top Learning.

This method yields learning of the least general case first, and gradually increases the level of generality acceptable to an informant. Consider an input P-Marker



and a "target" sentence (the desired transform)

a fish is eat en by the man

Increasingly complex transformations are coined by climbing up the trees of both sentences: in the case of the first, the given P-marker; in the case of the second, the implicit local tree structures existing in common with the first.

Accordingly, the lowest level transformation that could be coined is:

T_1 : the man eat s a fish \implies a fish is eat en by a man .

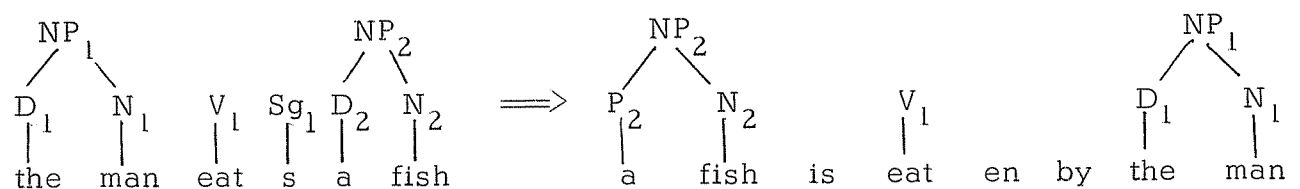
A somewhat higher level transformation would incorporate what is common to both inputs one level above the terminal string level, e.g.

T_2 : $D_1 N_1 V_1 Sg_1 D_2 N_2 \implies D_2 N_2$ is V_1 en by $D_1 N_1$

The assignment of higher level nodes to the elements on the right was determined by their existence in the P-marker of the first sentence. Test sentences generated via this transformation are offered an informant. Should he reject any, the level of generality of the transformation is decreased. For example, should this transformation not work if a different member of class V_1 is used, the transformation would be reformulated:

T_3 : $D_1 N_1$ eat $Sg_1 D_2 N_2 \implies D_2 N_2$ is eat en by $D_1 N_1$

And a special verb class containing 'eat' might be formulated at a later stage. Assuming, however that T_2 is accepted, the program would search for additional higher level common units, e.g.



This suggests the transformation:

$$T_4: \quad NP_1 \quad V_1 \quad Sg_1 \quad NP_2 \quad \Longrightarrow \quad NP_2 \quad \text{is} \quad V_1 \quad \text{en by} \quad NP_1$$

There would, of course, be intermediate stages before T_4 is obtained, e.g. the coining of:

$$NP_1 \quad V_1 \quad Sg_1 \quad D_2 \quad N_2 \quad \Longrightarrow \quad D_2 \quad N_2 \quad \text{is} \quad V_1 \quad \text{en by} \quad NP_1$$

If the informant accepts the test cases for T_4 , it is accepted as the most general transformation to be learned, as no more common elements can be found between the explicit tree of the source and the implicit tree of the transform string. Should the informant reject test sentences derived from T_4 the system would again retreat in level of generality.

The transformation might also be subject to change and updating because of changes in the nature of the phrase structure grammar.

4.2 Top-to-Bottom Transformation Learning.

As indicated, this program is implemented and working. (Some bugs still exist in it, but these did not seriously interfere with the test examples presented here.) As indicated the logic and program are due to William Fabens.

4.2.1 Program Logic.

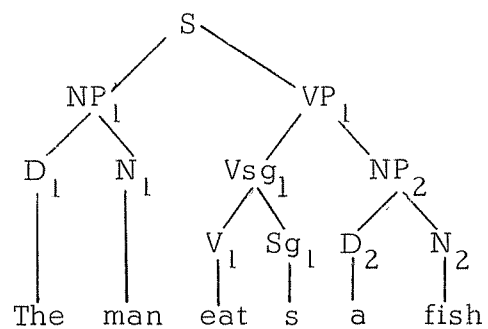
The output of the learning process is a list of ordered transformations, which operate from the top of the tree downwards. This block of transformations is also restated by the program (through substitution of terms) as a single transformation identical with the type derived by the bottom-to-top learning method.

Let us consider the learning process with the same example as in section 4.1. The input P-marker is "the man eat s a fish" plus its attendant tree structure, and again the transform: "a fish is eat en by the man". The system asks the translation of each morpheme in the input sequence. The correct reply is the equivalent morpheme in the transform string. (This is a substitute for dictionary lookup in the general case of bilingual transformation learning.) If there are no equivalents, the informant replies 'NONE'. If two morphemes are identical in the transform, the informant subscripts his replies to identify the relative positions of each like morpheme. (In the case of bilingual learning, this is in no sense word for word translation. Rather it is a method for locating equivalent phrase units).

Each morpheme in the transform sentence is placed at the bottom of its own push down stack. Above each morpheme in its stack is a list, in sequence, of the tree nodes on the path leading from it to the S node in the original input P-marker. Thus

a	D ₂	NP ₂	VP ₁
fish	N ₂	NP ₂	VP ₁
is			
eat	V ₁	Vsg ₁	VP ₁
en			
by			
the	D ₁	NP ₁	
man	N ₁	NP ₁	

from



Next the tops of the stacks are scanned. If the same node occurs discontinuously on the top level, it is added to the tops of the intervening stacks. Accordingly, VP_1 is added to the top of the stack above 'is' :

a	D_2	NP_2	VP_1
fish	N_2	NP_2	VP_1
is	VP_1		
eat	V	Vsg_1	VP_1
.			
.			
.			

If one or more morphemes are at the top of an adjacent stack (immediate adjacency in a forward linear scan) the node at the top of the stack of the last sequence of like top nodes is added to the tops of the morpheme stacks. In this case the result is that VP_1 is now added to the stacks containing 'en' and 'by'. (The ordering is admittedly arbitrary: one may ask why NP_1 was not added instead of VP_1). The result is:

a	D_2	NP_2	VP_1
fish	N_2	NP_2	VP_1
is	VP_1		
eat	V_1	Vsg_1	VP_1
en	VP_1		
by	VP_1		
the	D_1	NP_1	
man	N_1	NP_1	

The system then tabulates all possible tree branch transformations starting at the top. The source tree yields the left hand formulation of each transformation. The left half of the first of the series of ordered transformations is:

$$S(NP_1 \quad VP_1) \implies$$

which may be interpreted as 'NP₁ and VP₁' dominated by an S node.

An S node was implicitly at the top of the transform pushdown stacks.

Accordingly, the right half of the transformation is formulated as S dominating whatever is currently at the top of the pushdown stacks, where adjacent strings of like nodes are treated as a single node:

$$T_a: \quad S(NP_1 \quad VP_1) \implies \quad S(VP_1 \quad NP_1)$$

For the next step, the top nodes of the pushdown stacks above the transform tree are deleted and the node redistribution process described above is repeated except that morphemes at the top of the stacks no longer receive adjacent nodes. In this case no new nodes are added to any of the stacks.

a	D ₂	NP ₂
fish	N ₂	NP ₂
is		
eat	V ₁	Vsg ₁
en		
by		
the	D ₁	
man	N ₁	

The strings of VP_1 's and NP_1 's have been removed from the tops of the pushdown stacks. The right half of the next transformation is formed from what was under the VP_1 nodes:

$$\implies VP_1 (NP_2 \text{ is } Vsg_1 \text{ en by})$$

The left half is derived from what is under the VP_1 node in the input tree; yielding:

$$T_b: VP_1 (Vsg_1 NP_2) \implies VP_1 (NP_2 \text{ is } Vsg_1 \text{ en by})$$

Similarly, what is beneath the deleted NP_1 in the source tree and the stack form the next transformation:

$$NP_1 (D_1 N_1) \implies NP_1 (D_1 N_1)$$

which is an identity transformation (a consequence of the method). Identity transformations, although calculated, are suppressed in the teletype output. Again the program strips the top nodes from the push down stacks:

a D_2
 fish N_2
 (is) (removed from the stack)
 eat V_1
 (en) (removed from the stack)
 (by) (removed from the stack)
 the
 man

The removed NP_2 yields an identity transformation which is disregarded:

$$NP_2 (D_2 \ N_2) \implies NP_2 (D_2 \ N_2)$$

However the removal of the Vsg_1 unit yields a non-trivial transformation:

$$T_c: \quad Vsg_1 (V \ Sg) \implies Vsg_1 (V)$$

The deleted D_1 and N_1 nodes again yield trivial identity transformations:

$$D_1 \text{ (the)} \implies D_1 \text{ (the)}$$

$$N_1 \text{ (man)} \implies N_1 \text{ (man)}$$

Repeating the process, the identity transformations

$$D_2(a) \implies D_2(a)$$

$$N_2 \text{ (fish)} \implies N_2 \text{ (fish)}$$

are also coined.

Repeated substitutions in the battery of ordered transformations yield a rule identical to that derived by the bottom-to-top learning method:

$$T_a: \quad S(NP_1 \ VP_1) \implies S(VP_1 \ NP_1)$$

yields via substitution of the terms in T_b for VP_1 :

$$S(NP_1 \ Vsg_1 \ NP_2) \implies S(NP_2 \text{ is } Vsg_1 \text{ en by } NP_1)$$

followed by substitution for Vsg_1 from transformation T_c :

$$S(NP_1 \ V_1 \ Sg_1 \ NP_2) \implies S(NP_2 \text{ is } V_1 \text{ en by } NP_1)$$

which is identical to the transformation T_4 derived in section 4.1.

4.2.2 Features of the Program.

The system begins its input of the starting P-marker by outputting a message:

SENT :=

The human replies with the nodes deriving from SENT. The nodes must be bracketed by quotes and separated by commas. For example the human might reply:

"NP" , "VP"

followed by an arrow. The system will then query the expansion of each node, descending the left most branch of the tree first. E.g. the next query would then be:

. NP :=

The dot indicates the relative depth in the tree. If the last element was a terminal, the arrow key alone is punched. At the end of the input of a tree the system asks:

DO YOU WANT ANOTHER PARSE?

If the answer is YES, (in case of error) the program disregards the last inputted tree and offers one the chance of another tree input. If the answer is NO, the system outputs the message:

PLEASE TRANSLATE

followed by the terminal elements of the tree in sequential order. The human must then input the desired transform string, with each morpheme in quotes and separated by commas. The system will then ask for morpheme equivalents. If two or more morphemes are identical in either string the system assigns or interprets subscripts where appropriate.

After the transformation is learned, the system prints the rules, both in the ordered form and in the expanded, single expression notation. The program also uses '+' to indicate two units descended from the same node, and '-' to indicate more remote ancestry. The program then outputs a message:

WANT TO REAPPLY LAST TRANSFORMATION?

A YES answer means that the next time a tree exhibiting nodes in the domain of the transformation is inputted, the program will apply the transformation.

If the new P-marker is more complex than that of the learning input (but with nodes still in the domain of the transformation), the system will still correctly apply the rule (except in case of extreme complexity because of an uncorrected bug in the program).

Section 4.2.2 lists a copy of the teletype output with keypunch errors and extraneous system messages excluded) for learning of an active-passive transformation, and its application to a more complex sentence with different vocabulary. Section 4.2.3 lists a similar teletype transcript for the learning of an English to German bilingual transformation. (The print out of the dominating node on the right half of each transformation is suppressed on the teletype output.)

4.2.3 Learning and Application of an Active-Passive Transformation.

SENT := "NP", "VP" ←

. NP := "D", "NP" ←

. . D := ←

. . NP := ←

. VP := ←

DO YOU WANT ANOTHER PARSE? YES ←

SENT := "D" ←

. D := ←

DO YOU WANT ANOTHER PARSE? YES ←

SENT := "NP", "VP" ←

. NP := "JOHN" ←

. . JOHN := ←

. VP := "VP", "NP" ←

. . VP := "VSTMA", "SGA" ←

. . . VSTMA := "WANT" ←

. . . . WANT := ←

. . . SGA := "S" ←

. . . . S := ←

. . NP := "MARY" ←

. . . MARY := ←

DO YOU WANT ANOTHER PARSE? NO ←

PLEASE TRANSLATE

JOHN WANT S MARY

"MARY", "IS", "WANT", "ED", "BY", "JOHN" ←

C(JOHN) := "JOHN" ←

C(WANT) := "WANT" ←

C(S) := "NONE" ←

C(MARY) := "MARY" ←

SENT (NP , VP) ::= VP NP

VP (VP(1) , NP(1)) ::= NP(1) IS VP(1) ED BY

VP(1) (VSTMA , SGA) ::= VSTMA

OR: NP - VSTMA + SGA - NP(1) - := NP(1) + IS - VSTMA - ED + BY - NP

TRANSLATION IS...

MARY IS WANT ED BY JOHN

WANT TO REAPPLY LAST TRANSFORMATION? YES ←

SENT := "NP", "VP" ←

 . NP := "D", "NP" ←

 . D := "THE" ←

 . THE := ←

 . NP := "NP", "MOD" ←

 . NP := "MAN" ←

 . MAN := ←

 . MOD := "PREP", "NP" ←

 . PREP := "IN" ←

 . IN := ←

 . NP := "D", "NP" ←

 . D := "THE" ←

 . THE := ←

 . NP := "PARK" ←

 . PARK := ←

. VP := "VP", "VP" ←
 . . VP := "VSTMA", "SGA" ←
 . . . VSTMA := "KISS" ←
 KISS := ←
 . . . SGA := "ES" ←
 ES := ←
 . . NP := "D", "NP" ←
 . . . D := "A" ←
 A := ←
 . . . NP := "ADJ", "NP"
 ADJ := "PRETTY" ←
 PRETTY := ←
 NP := "GIRL" ←
 GIRL := ←
 DO YOU WANT ANOTHER PARSE? NO ←
 T(A) := "A" ←
 T(PRETTY) := "PRETTY" ←
 T(GIRL) := "GIRL" ←
 T(KISS) := "KISS" ←
 T(THE) := "THE" ←
 T(MAN) := "MAN" ←
 T(IN) := "IN" ←
 T(THE(1)) := "THE" ←
 T(PARK) := "PARK" ←

TRANSLATION IS...

A PRETTY GIRL IS KISS ED BY THE MAN IN THE PARK

4.2.4 Learning a Bilingual Transformation.

SENT :=

 . NP :=

 . . PN :=

 . . . HE :=

 . VP :=

 . . VP :=

 . . . IS :=

 . . NP :=

 . . . NP :=

 D :=

 A :=

 NP :=

 MAN :=

 RC := "RP",

 RP :=

 WHO :=

 VP :=

 V :=

 V :=

 LIVE :=

 SG :=

 S :=

 MOD :=

 PREP :=

. IN :=

. NP :=

. D :=

. THE :=

. NP :=

. CITY :=

DO YOU WANT ANOTHER PARSE ?

PLEASE TRANSLATE

HE IS A MAN WHO LIVE S IN THE CITY

C(HE):=

C(IS):=

C(A):=

C(MAN):=

C(WHO):=

C(LIVE):=

C(S):=

C(IN):=

C(THE):=

C(CITY):=

SENT (NP , VP):= NP VP

VP (VP(1) , NP(1)):= VP(1) NP(1)

NP(1) (NP(2) , RC):= NP(2)

NP(2) (D , NP(3)):= D RC -ENDER NP(3)

RC (RP , VP(2)):= VP(2)

VP(2) (V , MOD):= MOD V

MOD (PREP , NP(4)):= PREP NP(4)

NP(4) (D(1) . NP(5)):= D(1) NP(5)

V (V(1) , SG):= V(1)

[Program error: identity transformations should not have been printed.]

OR: NP - VP(1) - D + NP(3) - RP - V(1) + SG - PREP - D(1) + NP(5) -
:= NP - VP(1) - D - PREP - D(1) + NP(5) - V(1) - ENDER + NP(3) -

[A compounded error: the collapsed transformation used the identity transformations in the expansion. With corrections, it should read]

NP - VP(1) - D + NP(3) - RP - V(1) + SG - MOD :=
NP - VP(1) - D - MOD - V(1) - ENDER + NP(3)

5.0 Proving the Linguist Superfluous.

In terms of speed in producing a grammar, the phrase structure learning component of the AUTOLING system seems to have an advantage over the human linguist. For example, the Indonesian problem of Section 3.2.6 required about 45 minutes of the 'informant's' time at the teletype, including the usage of less than 4 minutes of computer central processor time (in a time sharing environment involving relatively light demands by other users). AUTOLING's time advantage over a human analyst appears to increase with the size of the corpus, but precise tests have not been carried out.

With respect to completeness and quality, the existing AUTOLING system is not yet ready to replace human linguists. But gradual improvements are inevitable, and eventually the role of the human fieldworker may be challenged seriously, particularly if the state of the art ever permits the incorporation of adequate vocal communication between informant and computer.

The proof of the adequacy of the machine as linguist might eventually be demonstrated through a variant of the Turing test for artificial intelligence [19]. Let 5 or 10 human linguists each spend a set amount of time individually working with the same informant. Let the machine linguist do the same

Then let the grammars produced by all participants be presented, anonymously, to another group of linguists who must attempt to spot the machine's grammar. If the machine linguist is not determined as such with statistically significant frequency, one may assume it is at least as good a fieldworker as the weakest human analyst in the test group.

While such a success might make 'data collecting' linguists superfluous, it should free most for work in linguistic theory. Of course by that time the computer will have become an essential tool of the theorist, not just for data collection and analysis, but as a means of checking the implications of theoretical formulations and models.

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