

CS11-711 Advanced NLP

PCFG Parsing

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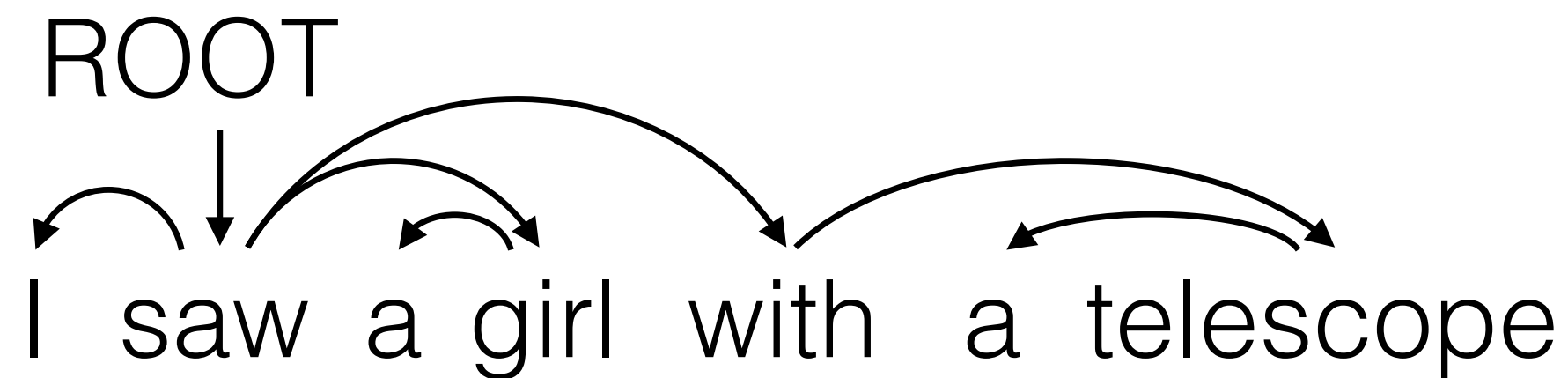
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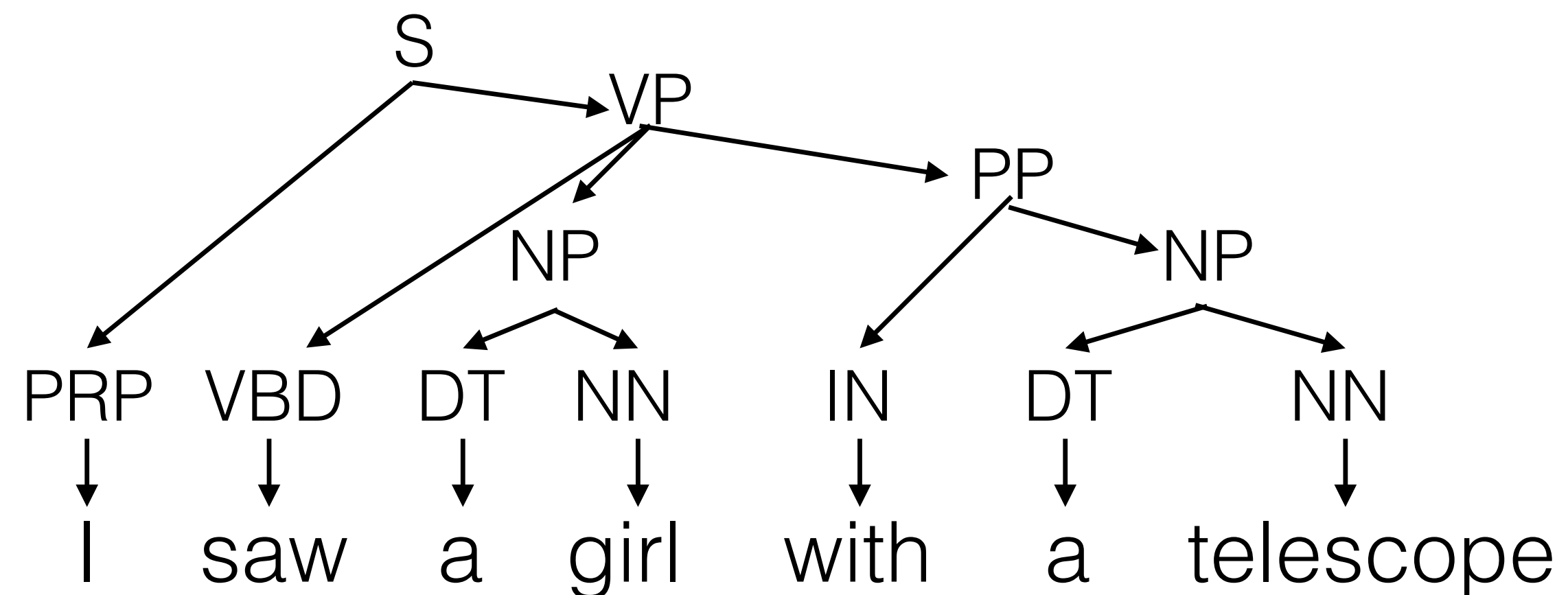
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Two Types of Linguistic Structure

- **Dependency:** focus on relations between words



- **Phrase structure:** focus on the structure of the sentence



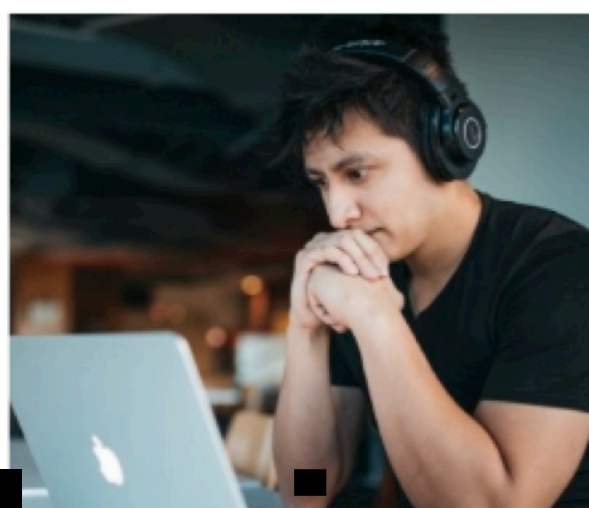
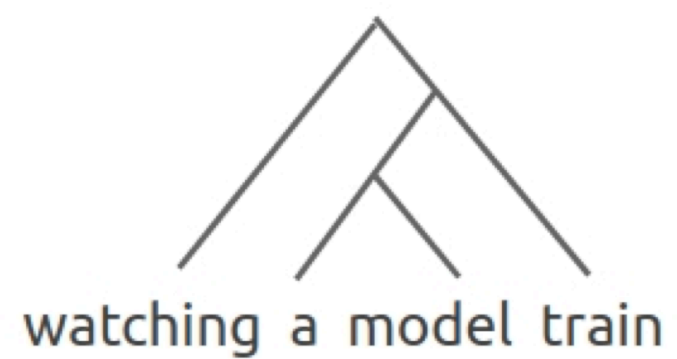
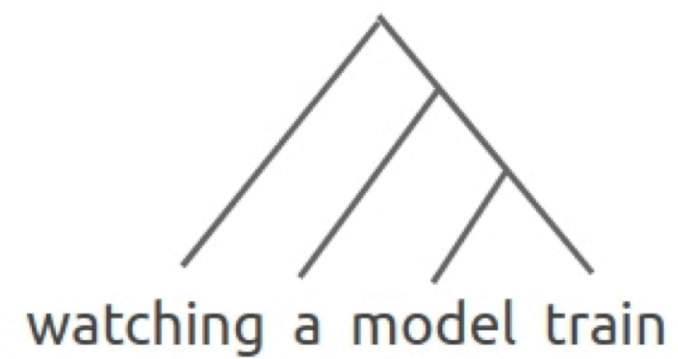
Grammar Induction (Unsupervised Parsing)

Learning a set of (probabilistic) grammar rules

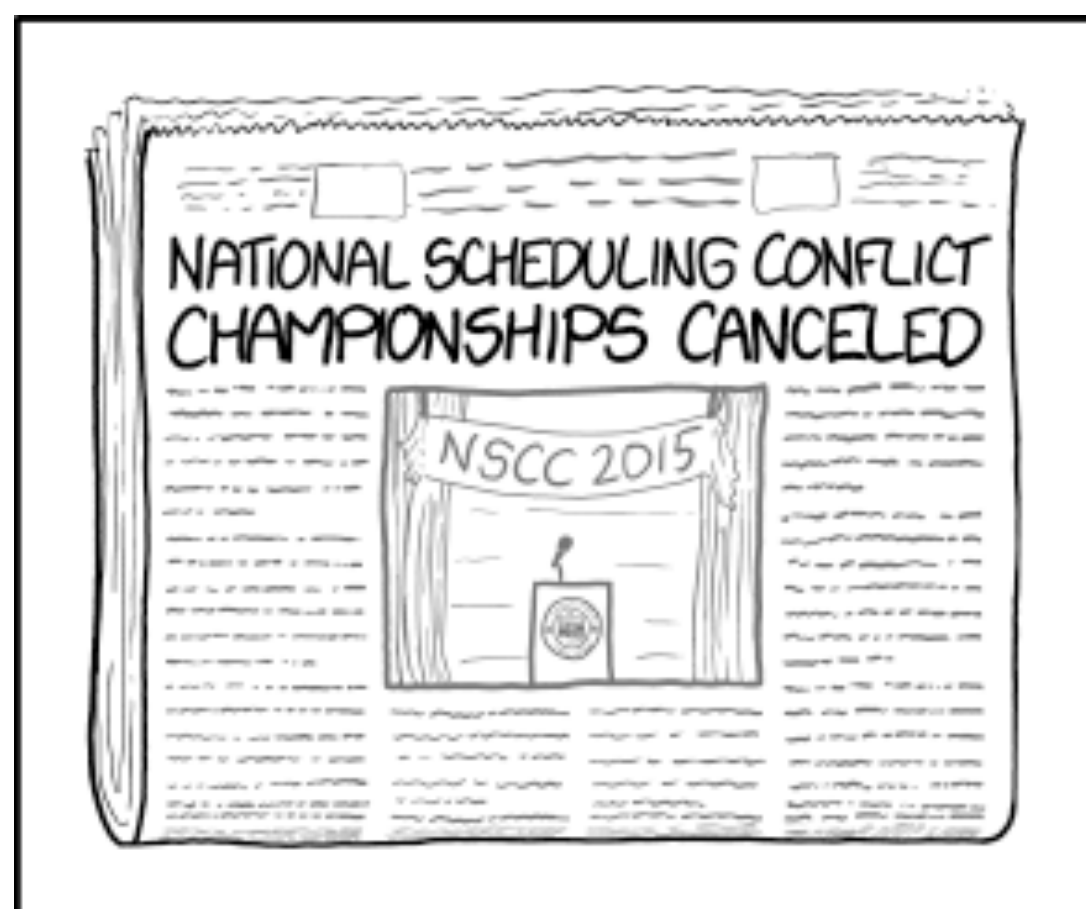
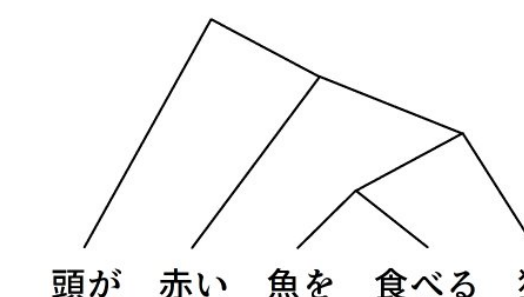
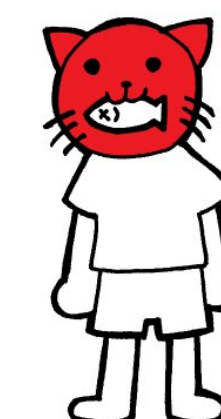
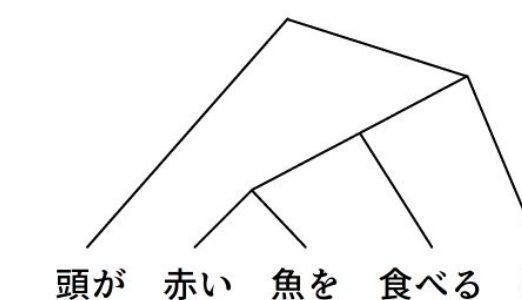
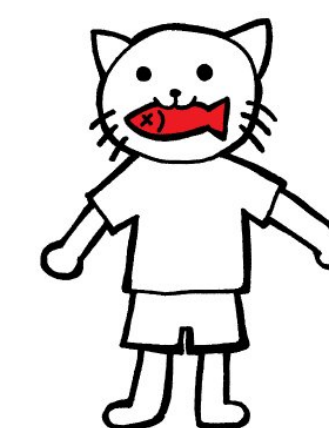
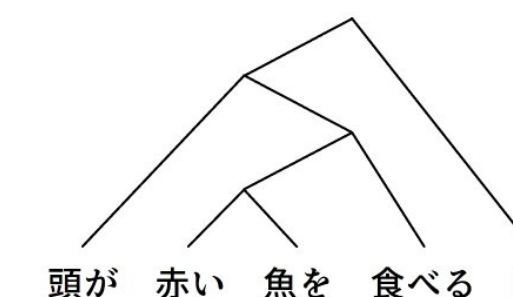
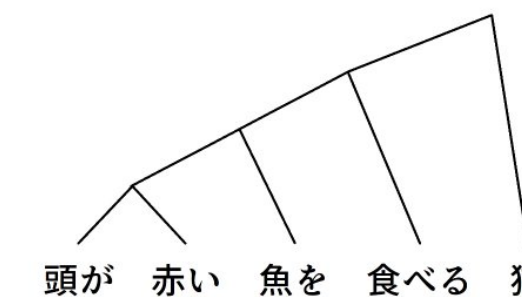
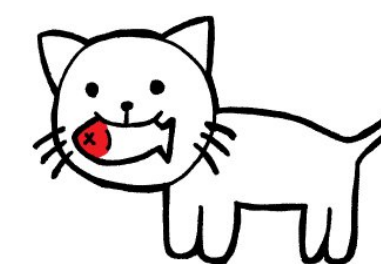
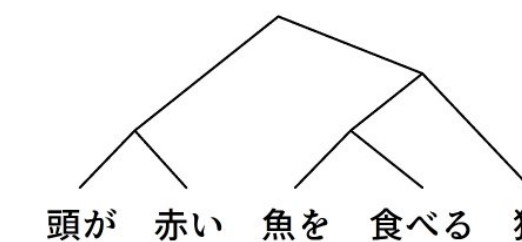
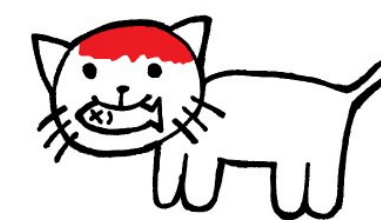


Typical grammar induction methods

unsupervised constituency and dependency parsing

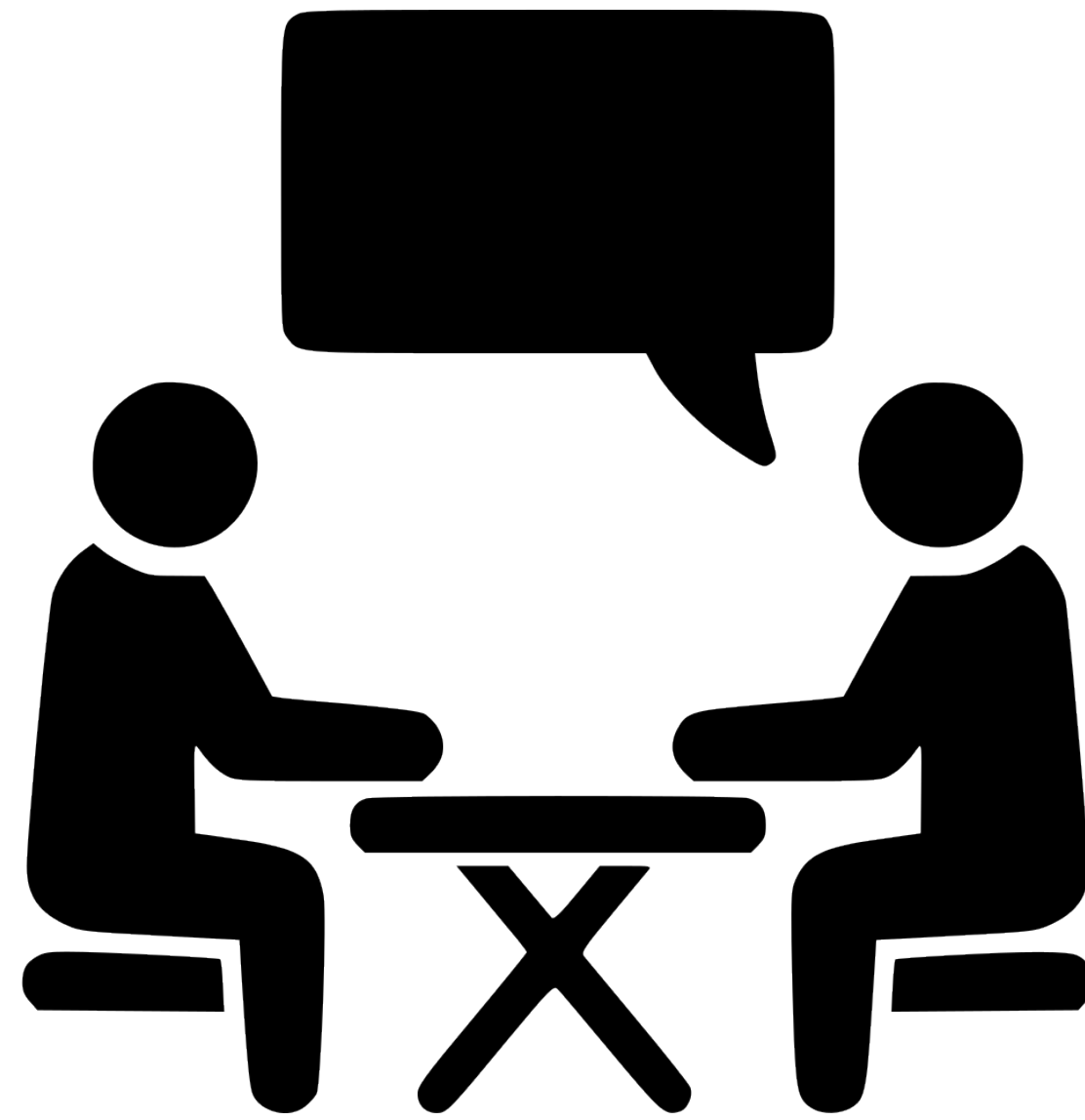


Explosion of ambiguity

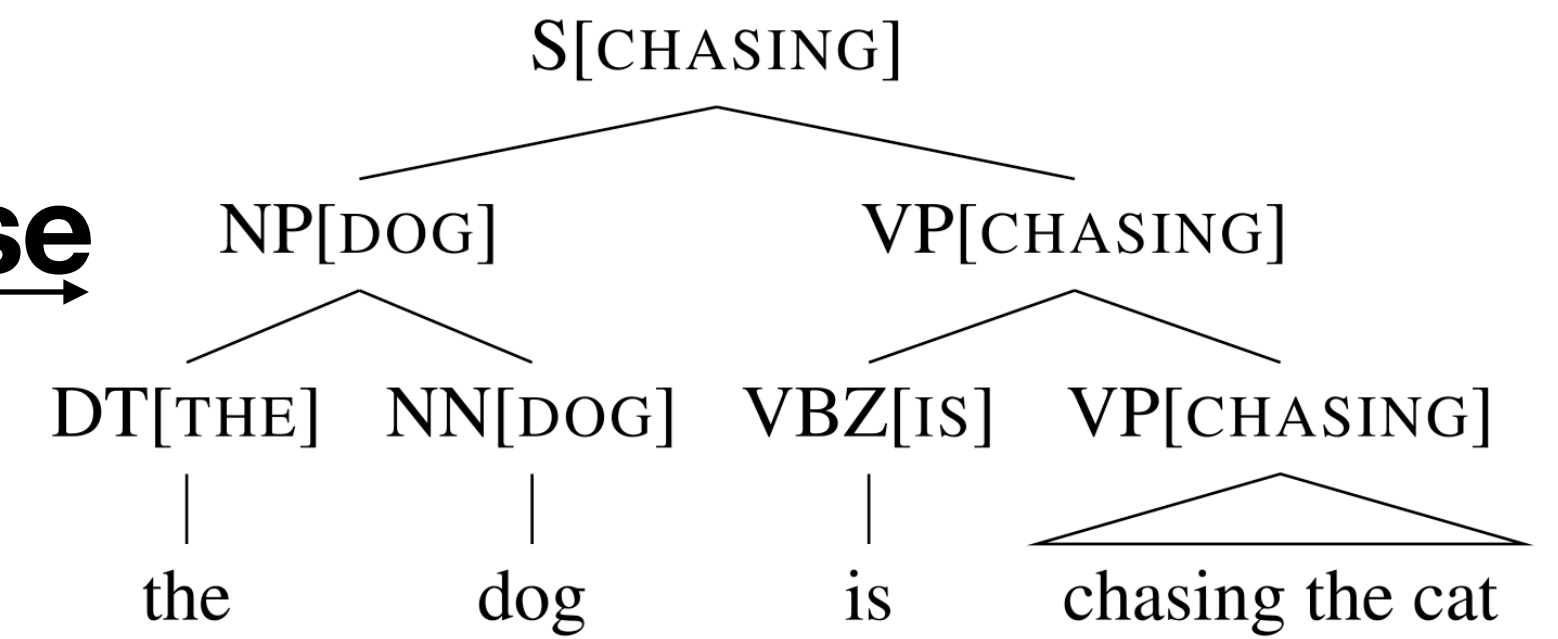
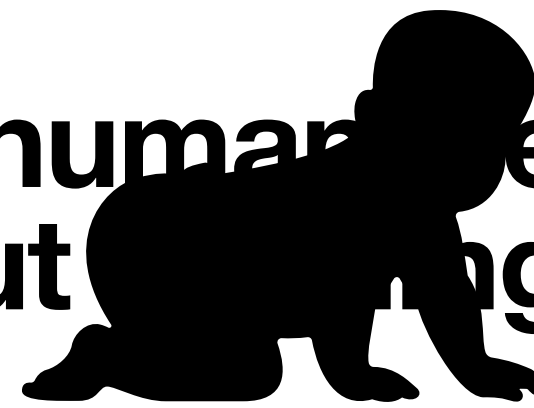


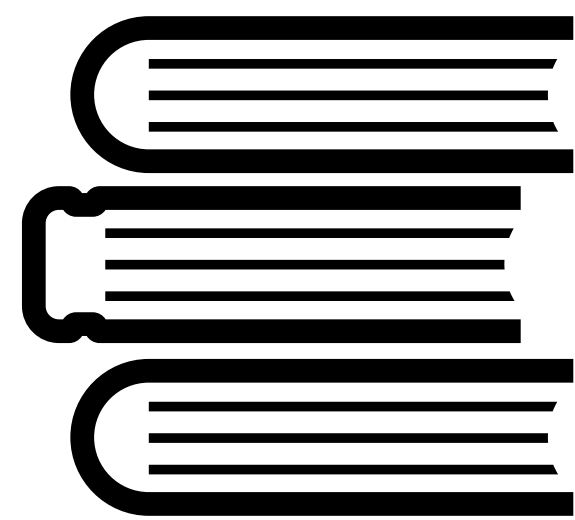
Probabilistic parsing

- ~~First try parsing without any weird rules, throwing them in only if needed.~~
- Better: every rule has a weight.
 - A tree's weight is total weight of all its rules.
 - Pick the overall lightest parse of sentence.
- Best: train the weights!

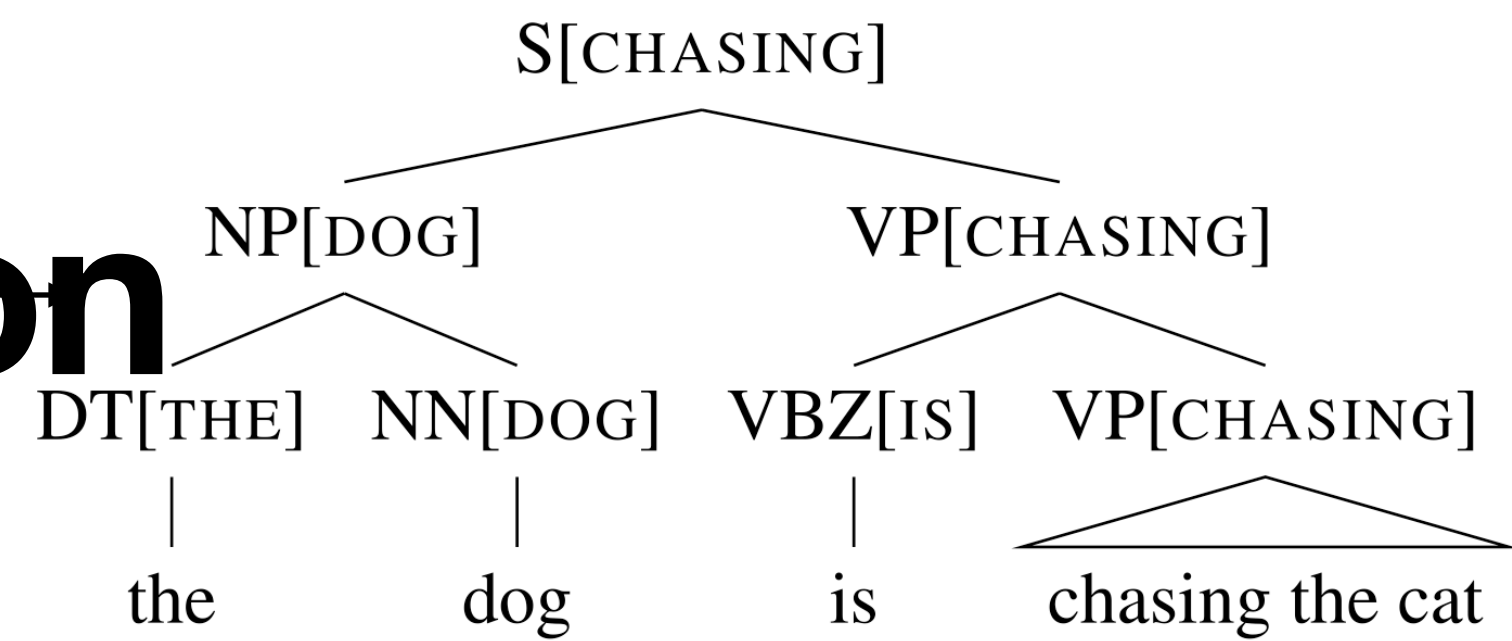
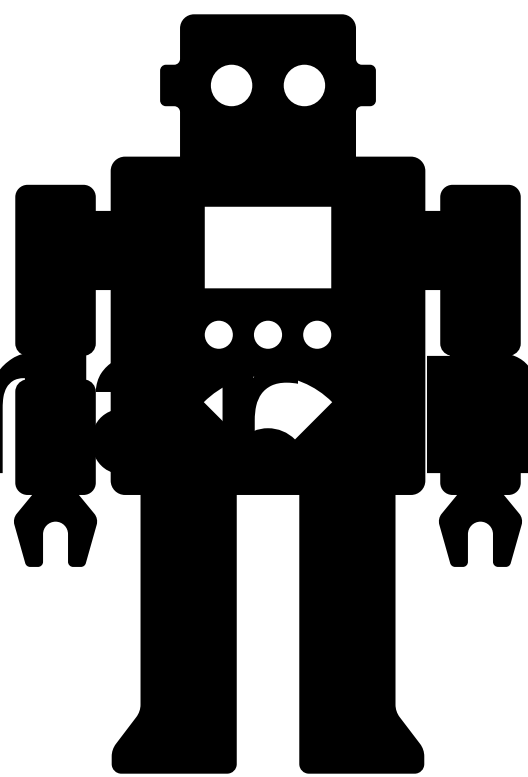


**Mystery: human learn to parse
without knowing how to parse**





Grammar Induction



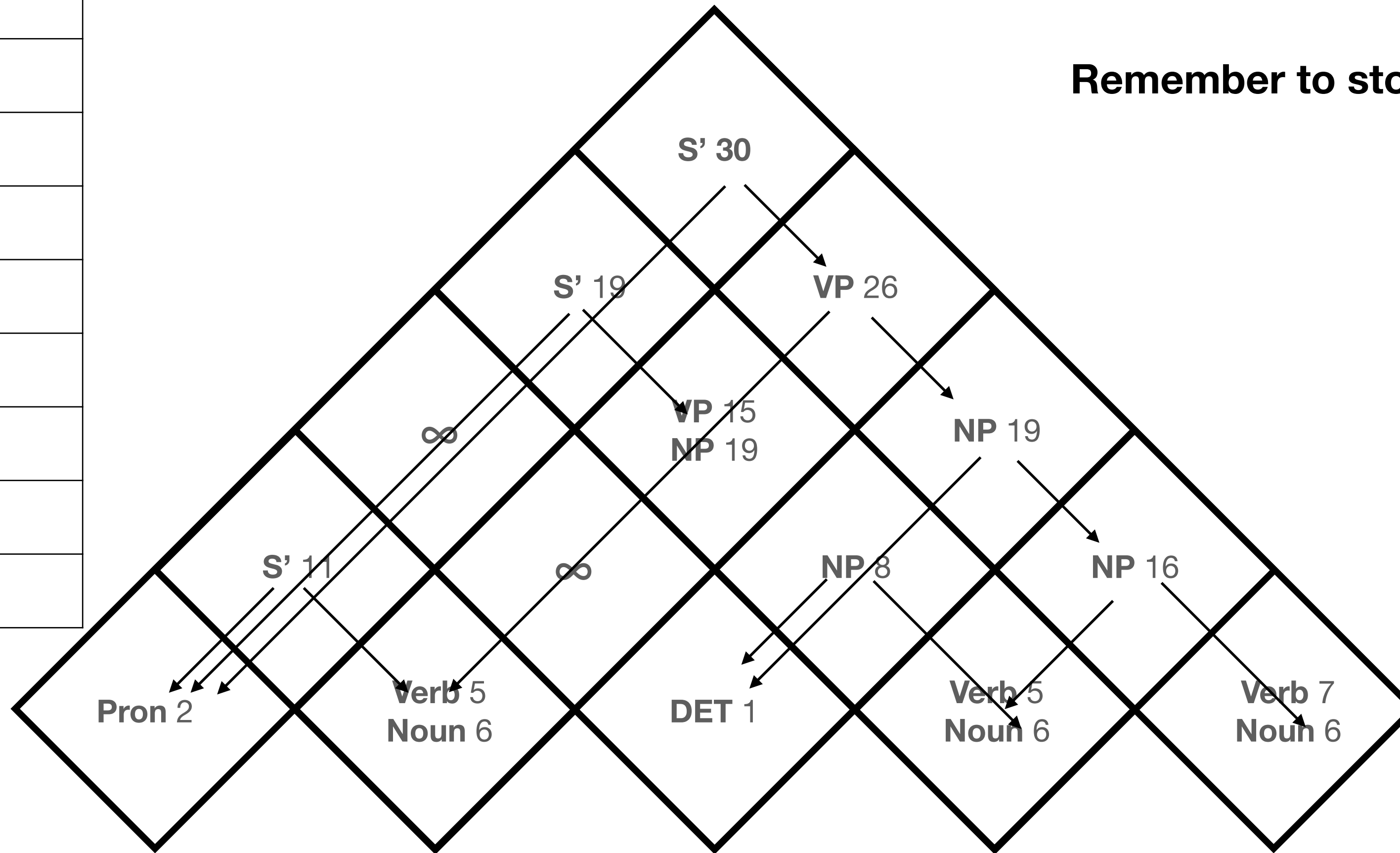
CFG definition

- $\mathcal{G} = (S, \mathcal{N}, \mathcal{P}, \Sigma, \mathcal{R})$
- \mathcal{N} : Set of nonterminals (constituent labels)
WLOG, only consider binary branching; Chomsky Normal Form
- \mathcal{P} : Set of preterminals (part-of-speech tags)
- Σ : Set of terminals (words)
 - $S \rightarrow A, \quad A \in \mathcal{N}$
 - $A \rightarrow BC, \quad A \in \mathcal{N}, B, C \in \mathcal{N} \cup \mathcal{P}$
 - $T \rightarrow \alpha, \quad T \in \mathcal{P}$
- S : Start symbol
- \mathcal{R} : Set of rules

Probabilistic CFG

- For every rule, assign a probability to it.
- The summation of the probabilities of the rules with the same left hand non-terminal X is 1: $\sum_Y \pi(X \rightarrow Y) = 1$
- How to get the most probable tree given the probabilities of the rules?
 - Dynamic Programming

Rule	-log prob
S' → Pron Verb	4
S' → Pron VP	2
S' → NP VP	2
NP → NP Verb	5
NP → Det Noun	2
NP → Det NP	2
NP → Noun Noun	4
VP → Noun NP	5
VP → Verb NP	2
VP → VP NP	2

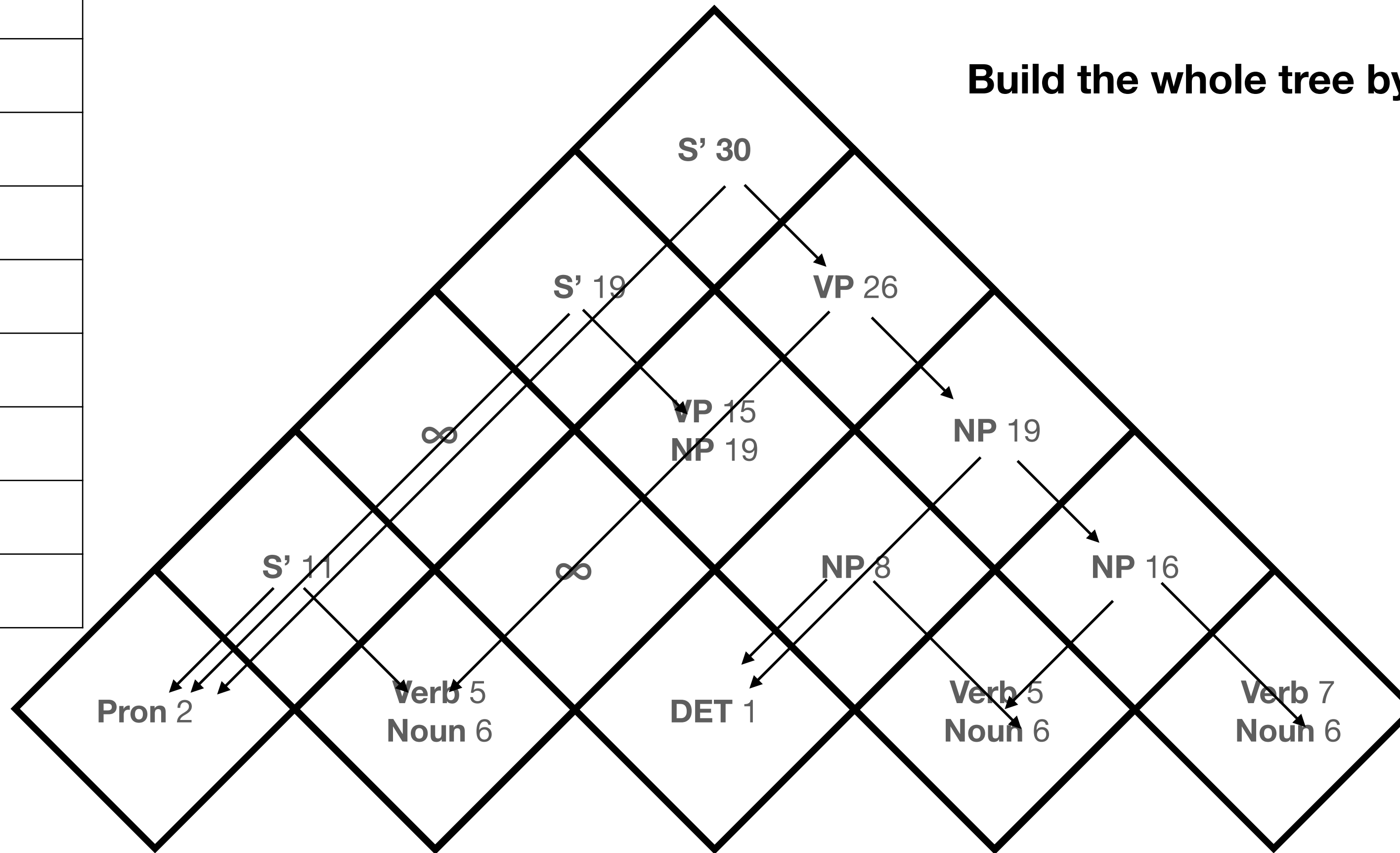


Remember to store back-pointer!

He watches a model train

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VP→Verb NP	2
VP→VP NP	2

Build the whole tree by branching from root.



He watches a model train

CYK algorithm

- The probability of a constituent with a non-terminal is often called inside probability
 - $\beta_A(x, y) = \min_{k, B, C} (-\log \pi(A \rightarrow BC) + \beta_B(x, k) + \beta_C(k + 1, y))$
 - Complexity?

CYK algorithm

- We can use the same CKY algorithm to calculate the marginal probability of a sentence through

$$\bullet \beta_A(x, y) = -\log \sum_{k, B, C} \exp(\log \pi(A \rightarrow BC) - \beta_B(x, k) - \beta_C(k + 1, y))$$

- What else can it do?
 - Recognizer: $\beta_A(x, y) = \vee_{k, B, C} (A \rightarrow BC) \in \mathcal{R} \wedge \beta_B(x, k) \wedge \beta_C(k + 1, y)$
- A general form?

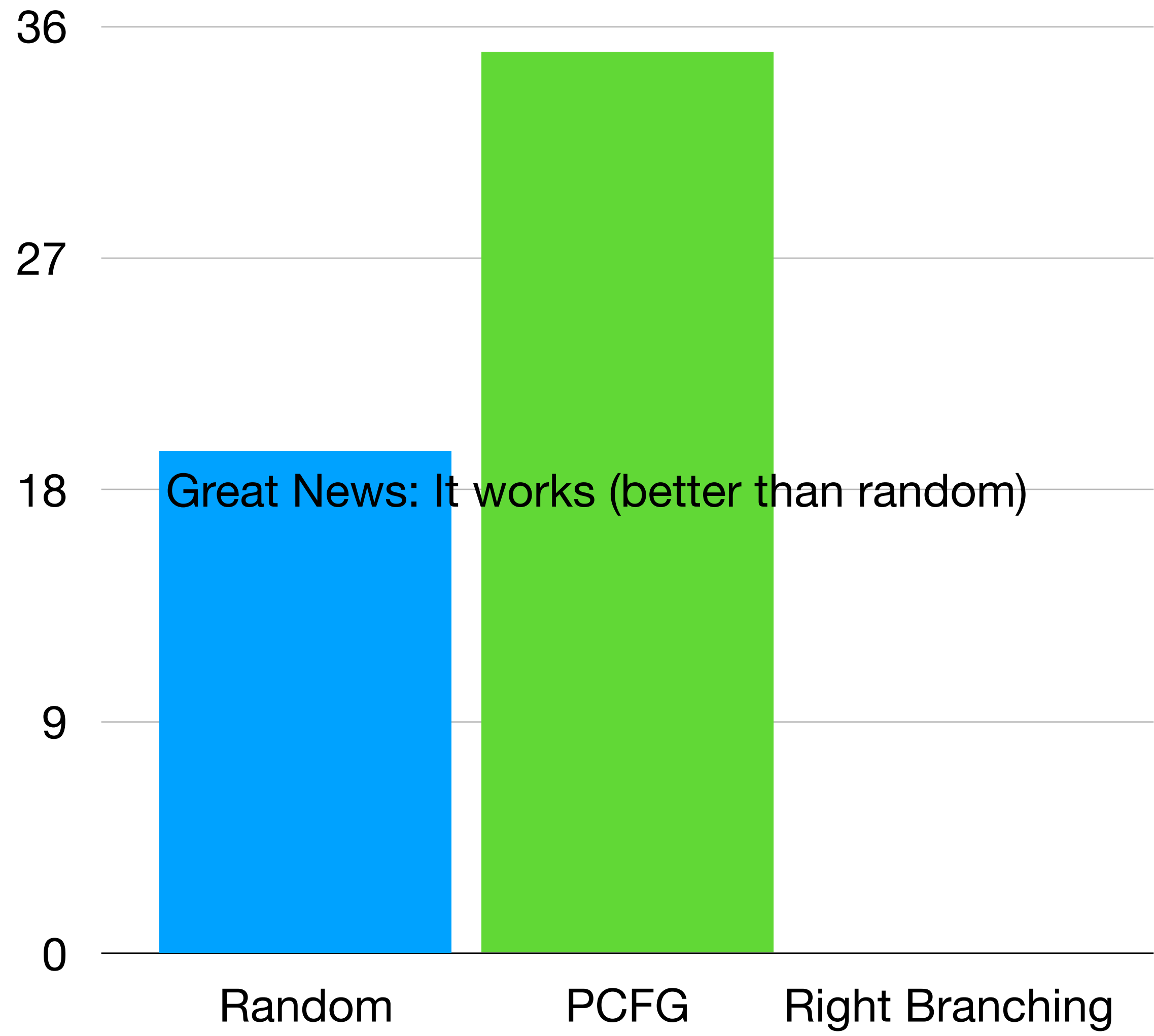
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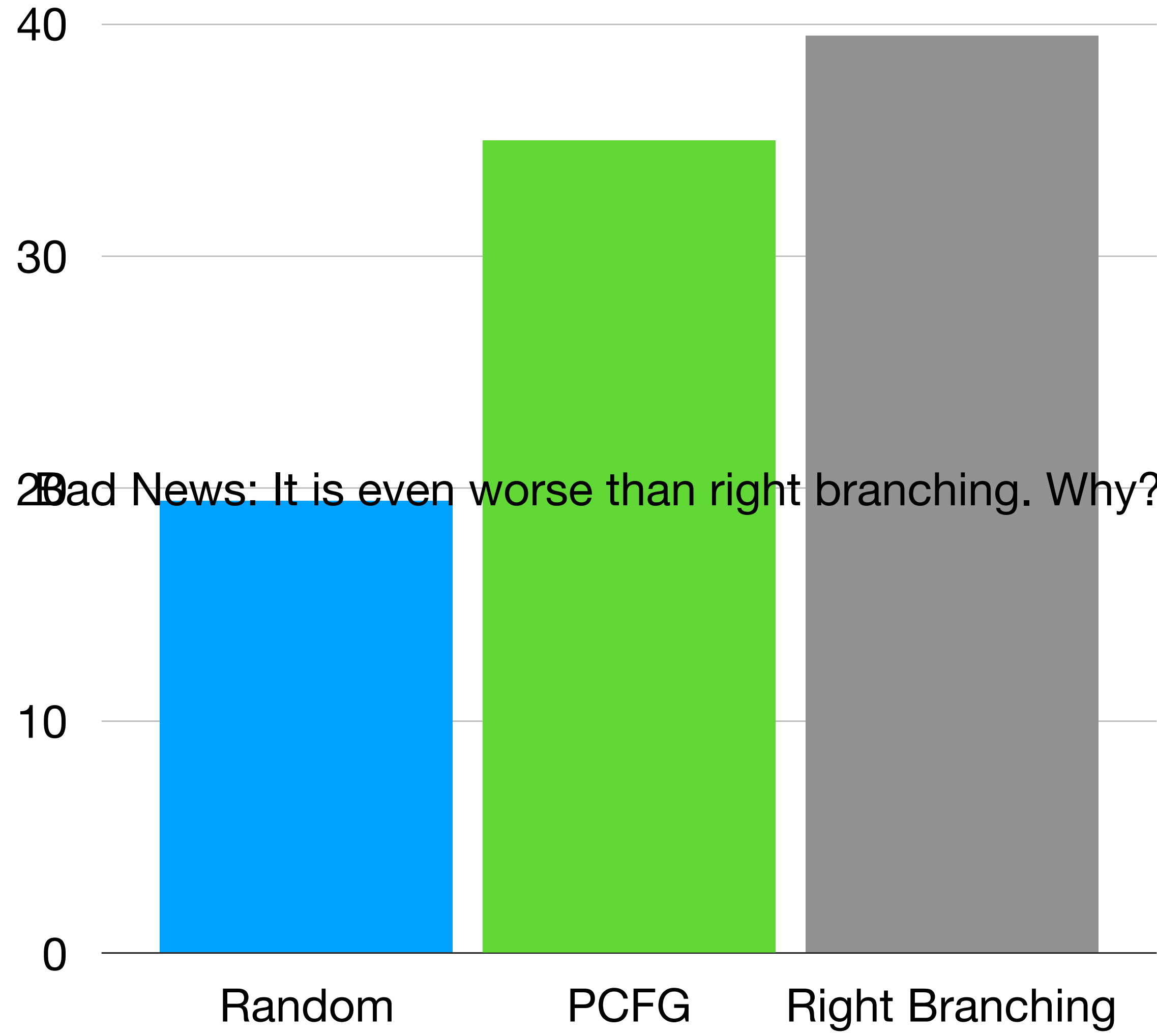
- Semiring Parsing

	weights	\oplus	\otimes	$\textcircled{0}$	$\textcircled{1}$
total prob	[0, 1]	+	x	0	1
max prob	[0, 1]	max	x	0	1
min -logp	[0, ∞]	min	+	∞	0
log prob	$[-\infty, 0]$	logsumexp	+	$-\infty$	0
recognizer	T/F	or	and	F	T

Optimizing PCFGs

- Traditional methods: inside-outside algorithm
- Good news: You can directly optimize the log prob calculated by CKY with autograd with the same effect and time complexity.
 - Optional reading: *Inside-Outside and Forward-Backward Algorithms Are Just Backprop*
- Similar to language models, we optimize the log probability of the sentence:
 - $\mathcal{L} = -\log \sum_{T_x} p(T_x)$





Neural PCFGs

- Neural parameterization for PCFGs

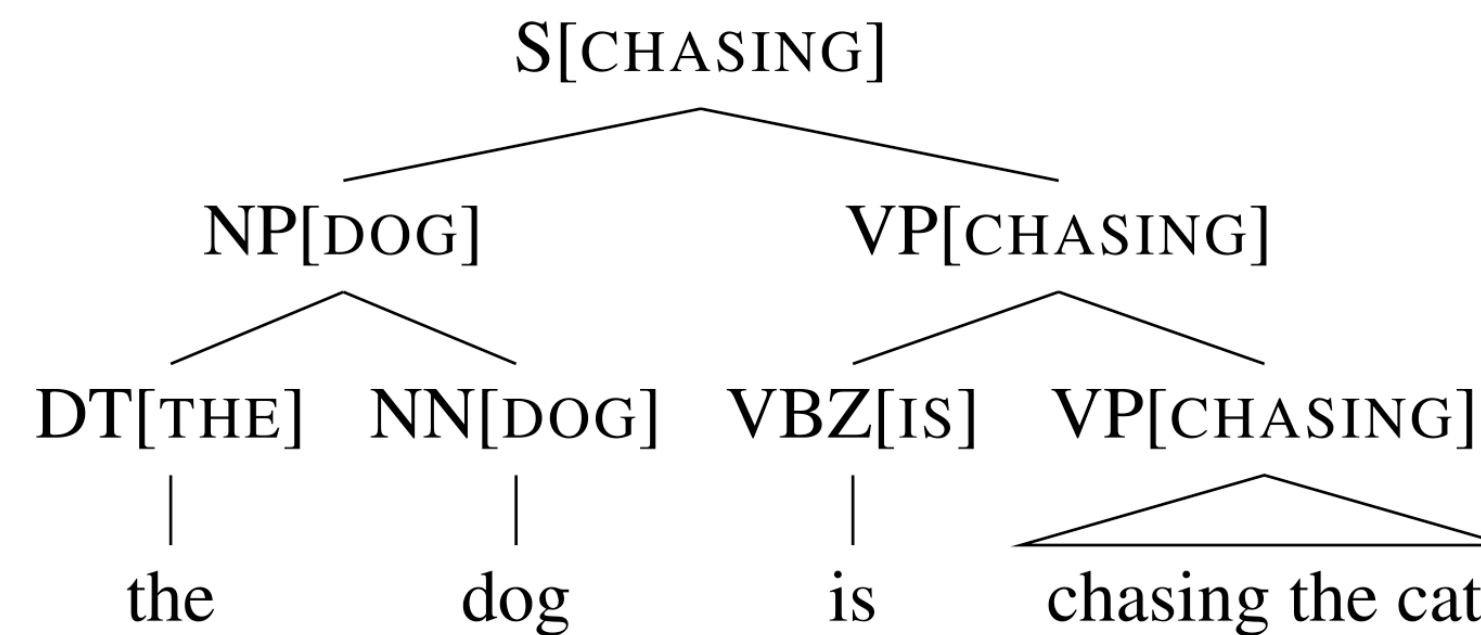
$$\pi_{T \rightarrow w} = \text{NEURALNET}(\mathbf{w}_T) = \frac{\exp(\mathbf{u}_w^\top f(\mathbf{w}_T))}{\sum_{w' \in \Sigma} \exp(\mathbf{u}_{w'}^\top f(\mathbf{w}_T))}$$

$$\pi_{T \rightarrow w} \propto \exp \left(\underbrace{\mathbf{u}_w^\top}_{\text{output emb.}} \overbrace{f(\mathbf{w}_T)}^{\text{shared neural net}} \underbrace{\mathbf{w}_T}_{\text{input emb.}} \right)$$

- parameter sharing through distributed representations
- same training method

Neural L-PCFGs

- You can further improve Neural PCFGs by adding head annotations



$$S \rightarrow A, \quad A \in \mathcal{N}$$

$$A \rightarrow BC, \quad A \in \mathcal{N}, B, C \in \mathcal{N} \cup \mathcal{P}$$

$$T \rightarrow \alpha, \quad T \in \mathcal{P}$$

$$\textcircled{1} \quad S \rightarrow A[\alpha], \quad A \in \mathcal{N}$$

$$\textcircled{2l} \quad A[\alpha] \rightarrow B[\alpha]C[\beta], \quad A \in \mathcal{N}, B, C \in \mathcal{N} \cup \mathcal{P}$$

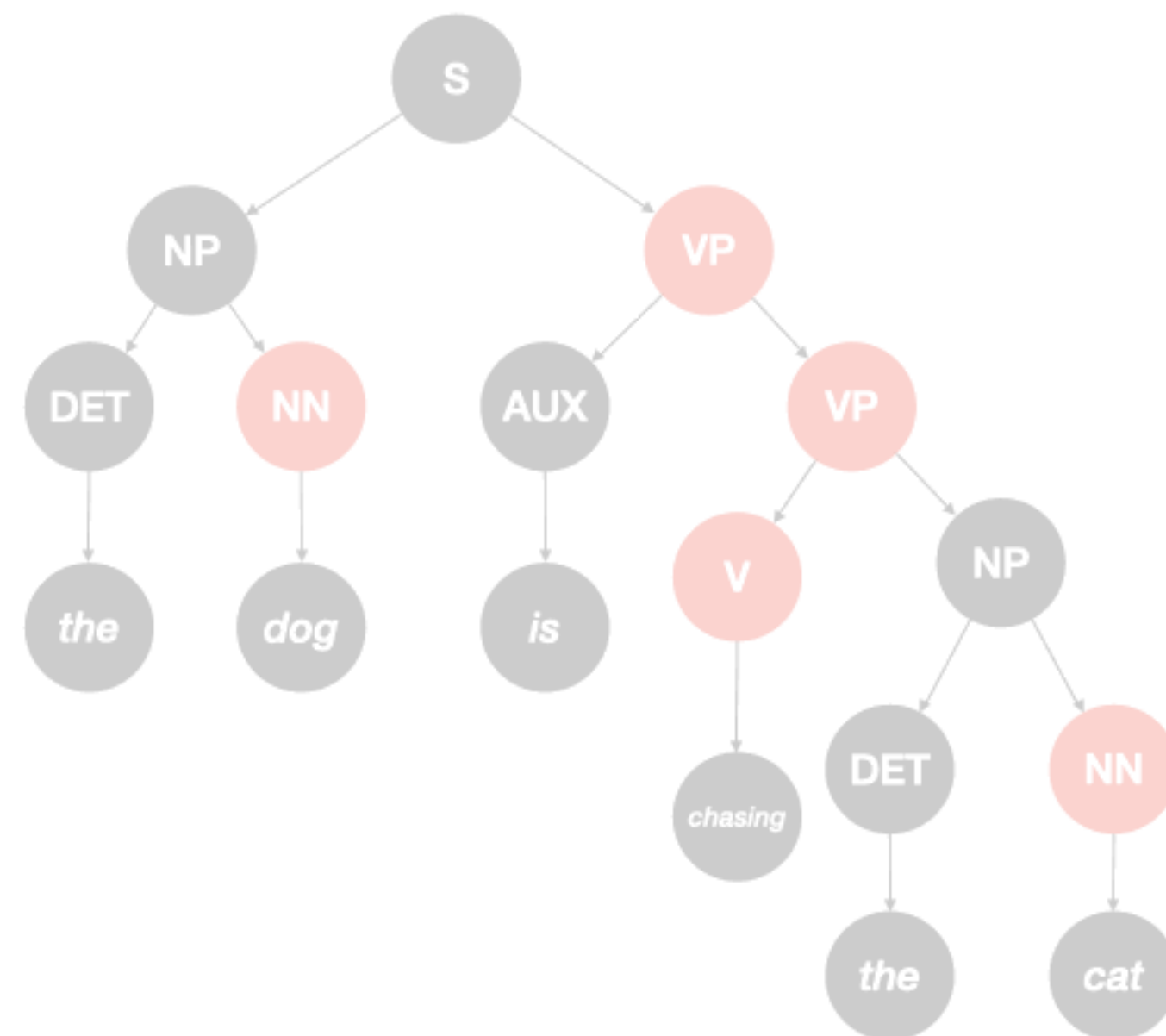
$$\textcircled{2r} \quad A[\alpha] \rightarrow B[\beta]C[\alpha], \quad A \in \mathcal{N}, B, C \in \mathcal{N} \cup \mathcal{P}$$

$$\textcircled{3} \quad T[\alpha] \rightarrow \alpha, \quad T \in \mathcal{P}$$

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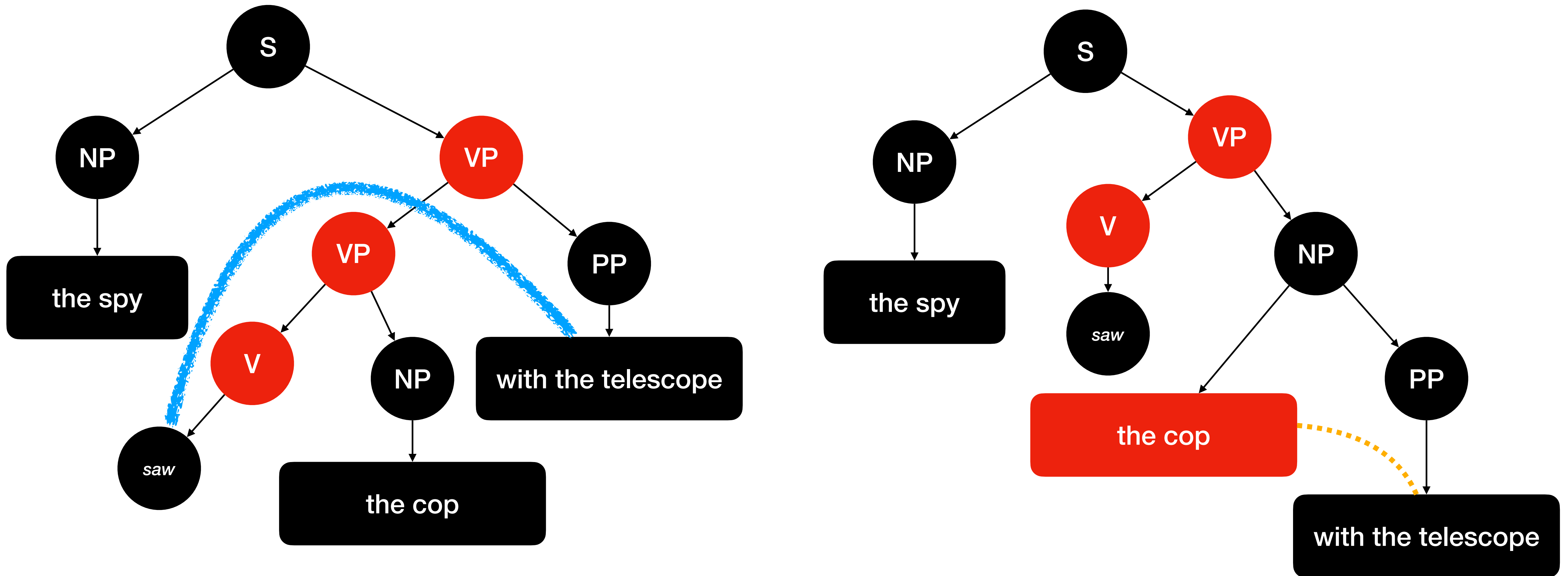
- L-PCFGs did not work well because they have even MORE parameters than PCFGs

$P(\text{Tree} \mid \text{sentence})$



Limitation of lexical dependencies

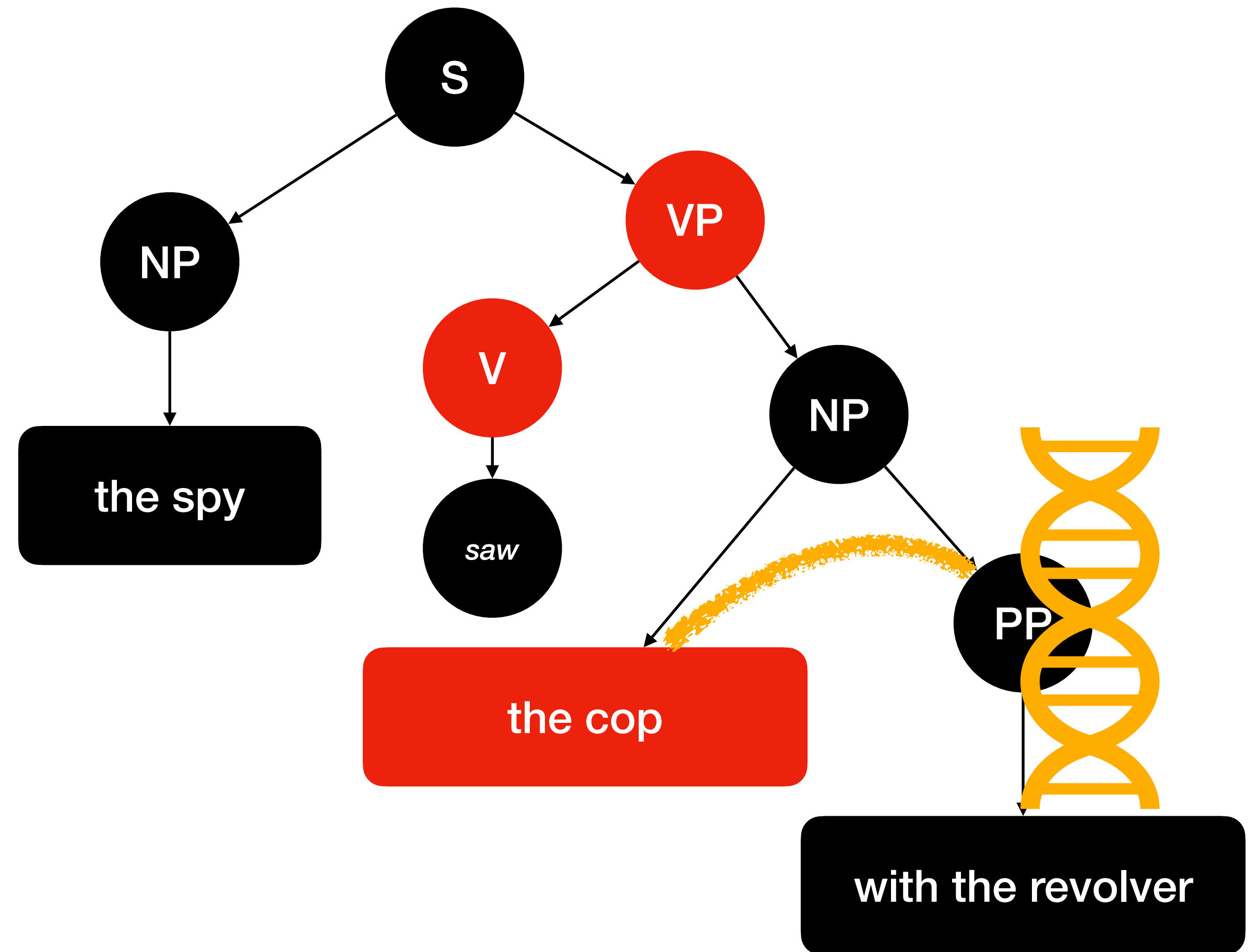
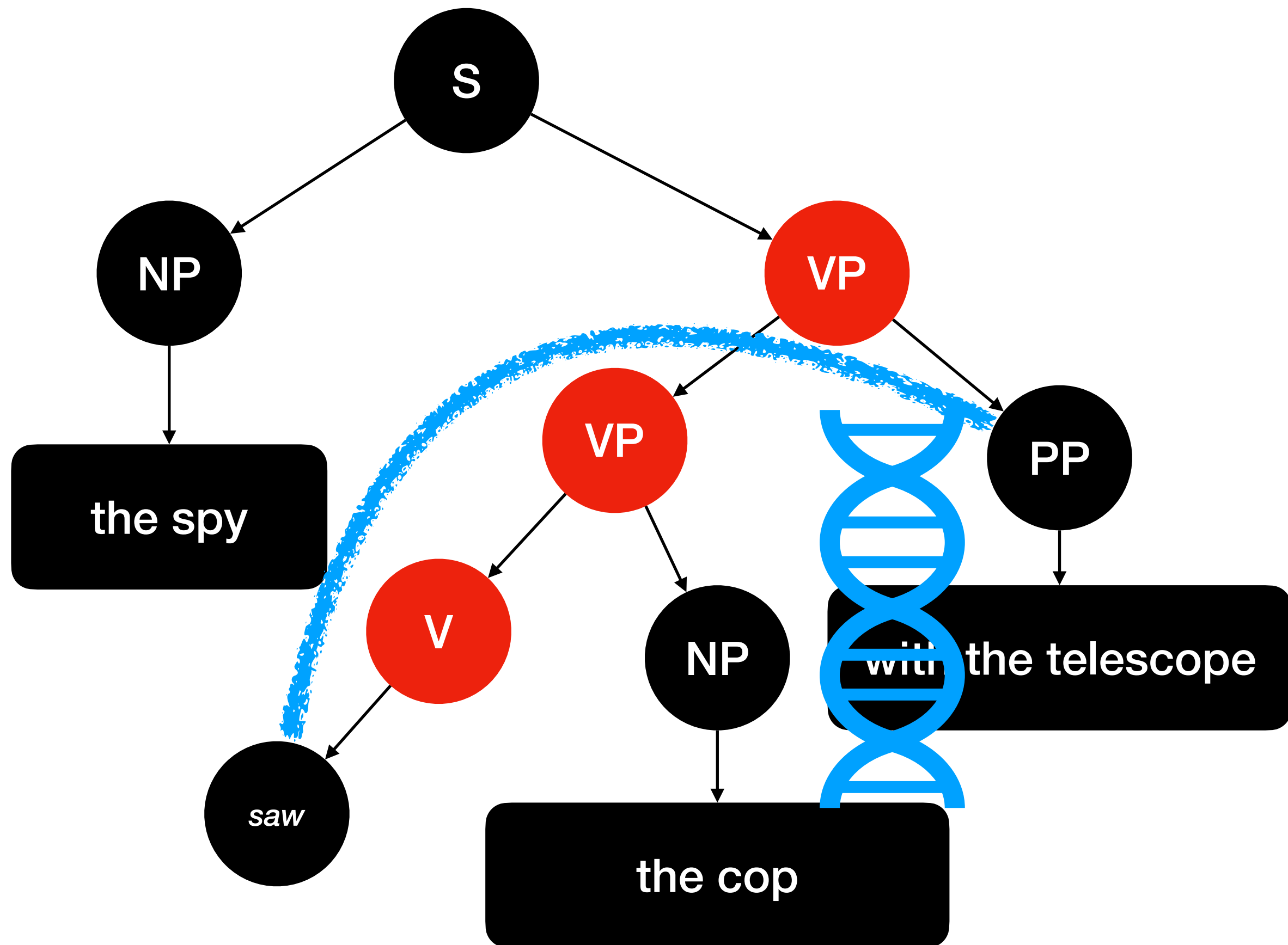
Independent head word and argument word



The spy saw the cop₂₂ with the telescope.

Using a latent compound variable

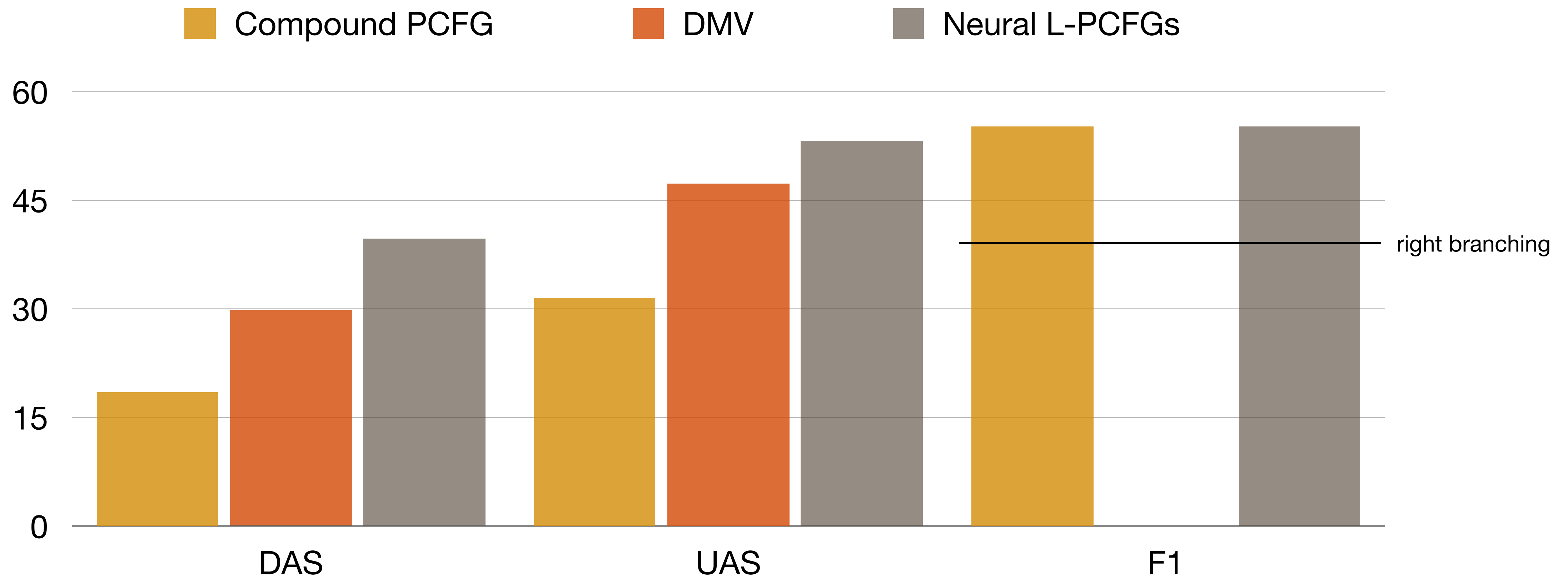
Conditional independency



The spy saw the cop with the telescope.

The spy saw the cop with the revolver.

Results

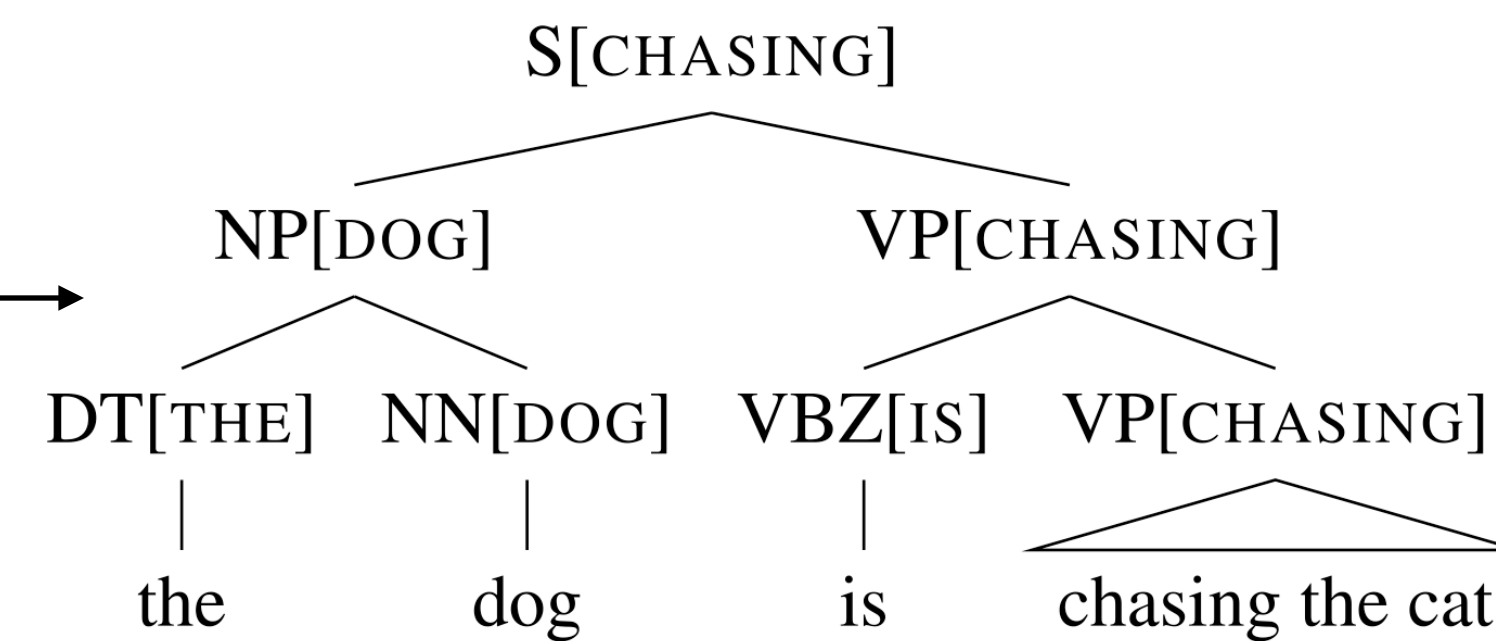
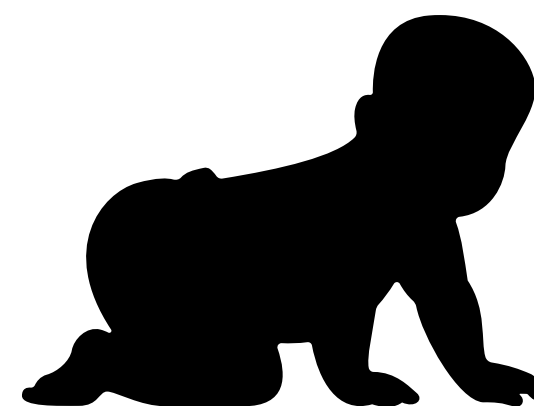
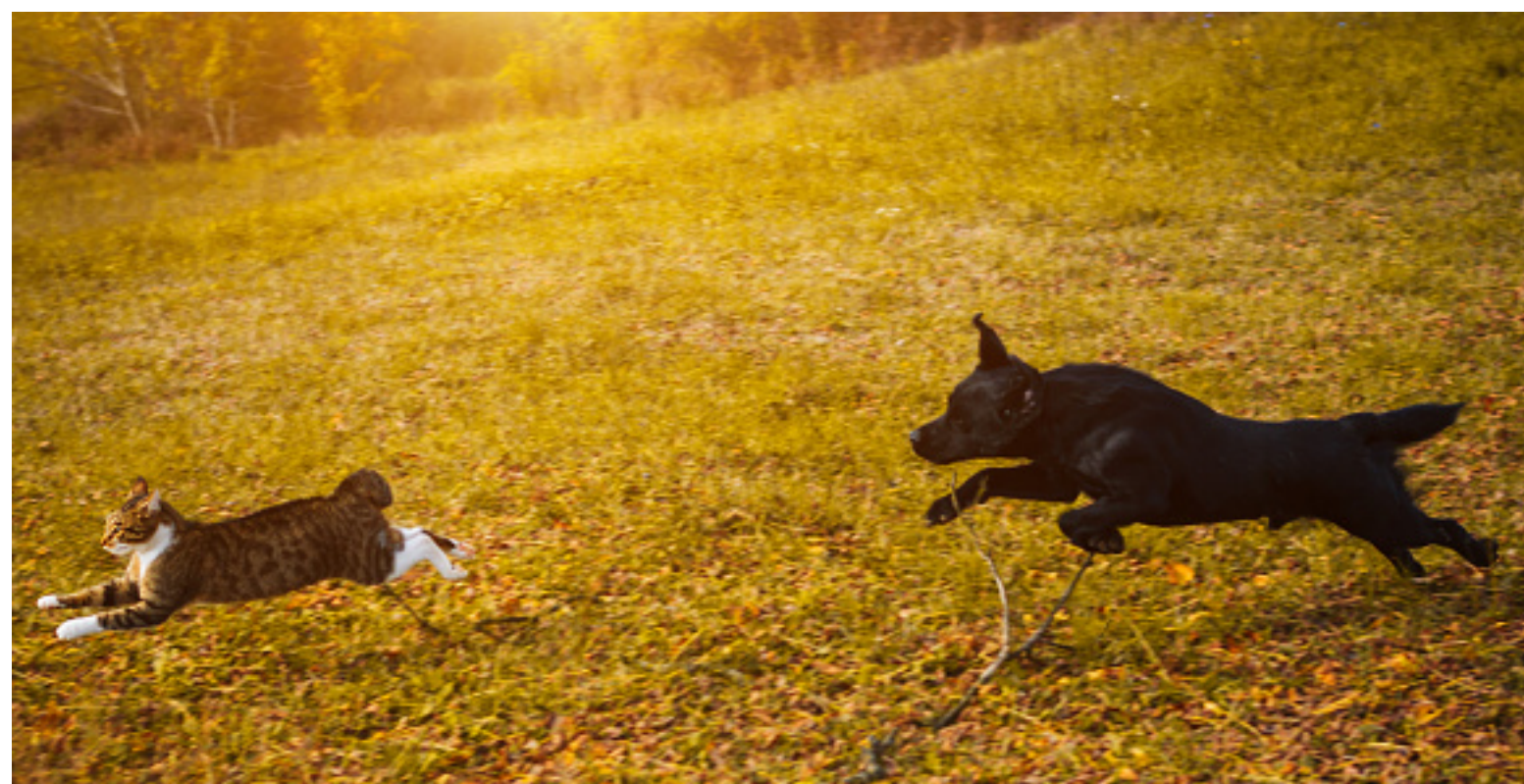


Limitations

- Efficient Bilexical dependency (table assumes enough parallel workers)

	Time complexity	Space Complexity
Unilexical dependencies	$\mathcal{O}(L)$	$\mathcal{O}(L^3 \mathcal{N} (\mathcal{N} + \mathcal{P})^2)$
Bilexical Dependencies	$\mathcal{O}(L)$	$\mathcal{O}(L^4 \mathcal{N} (\mathcal{N} + \mathcal{P})^2)$

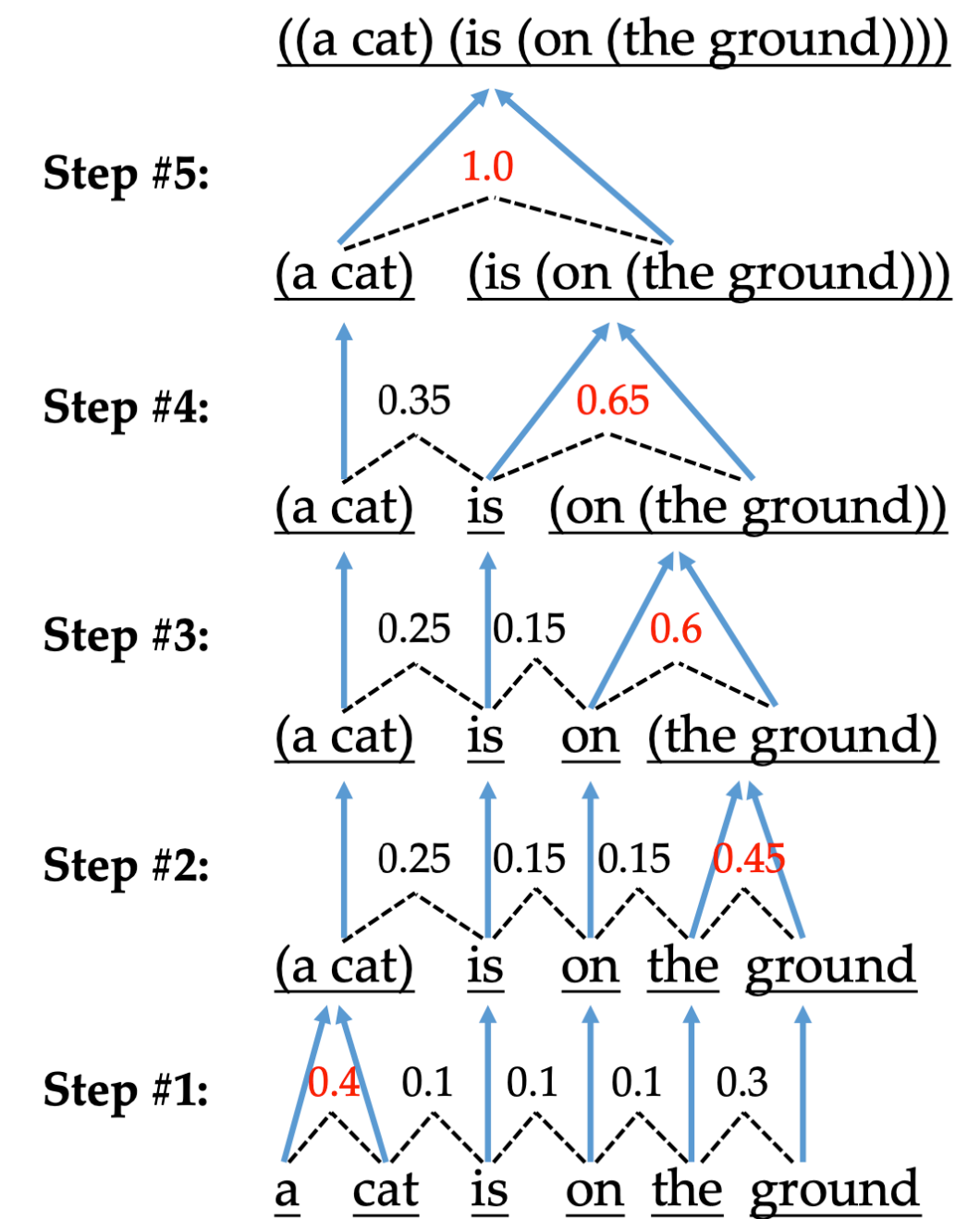
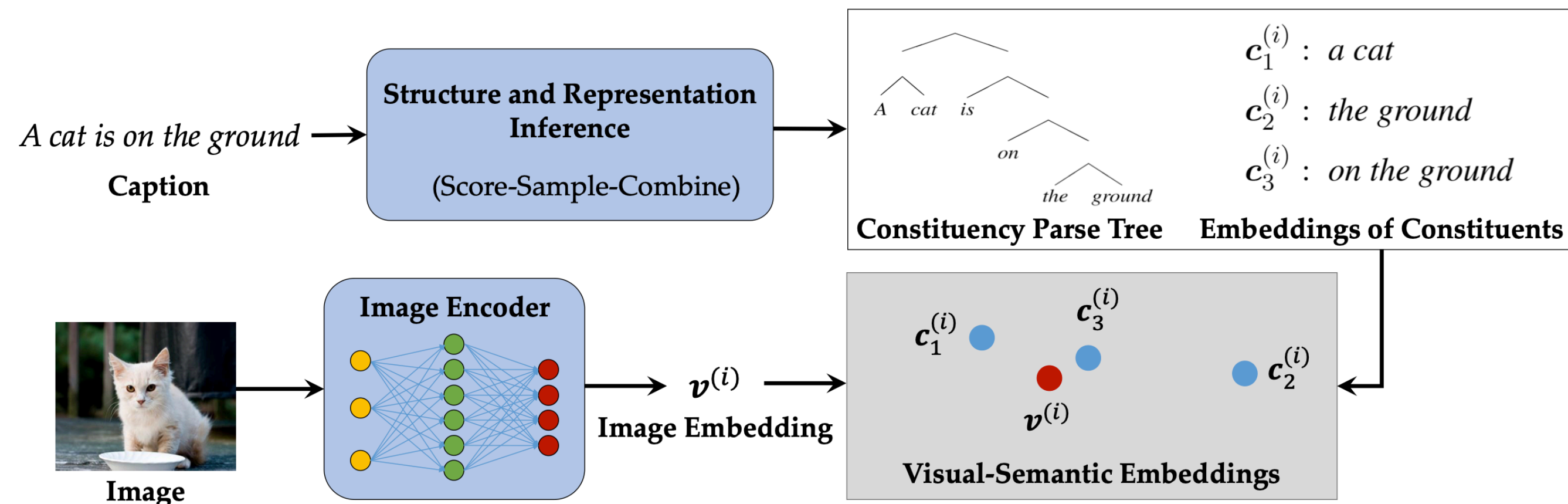
- *Neural Bi-Lexicalized PCFG Induction.*



Key to the mystery: visual prior?

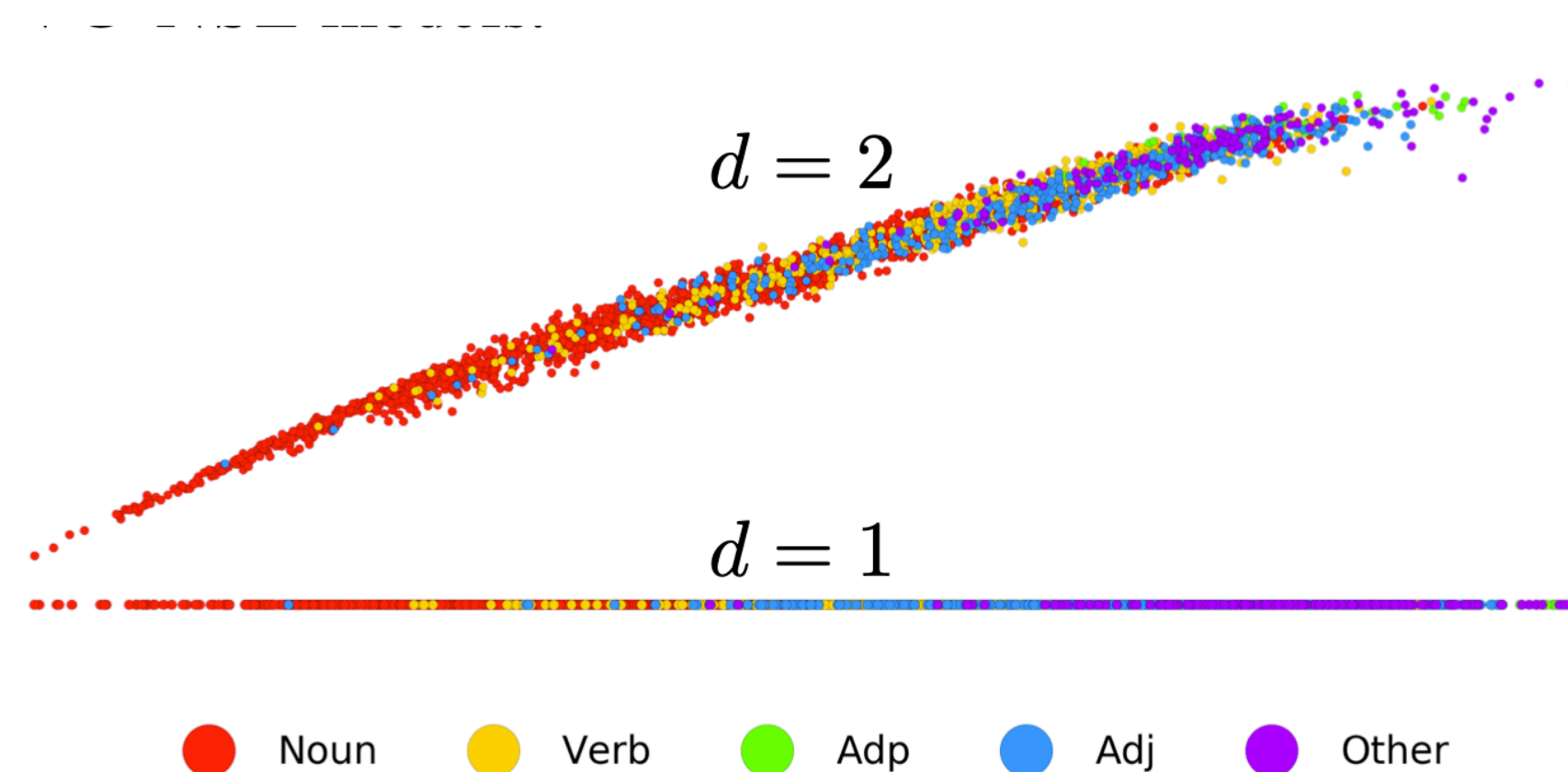
Visual Prior Grammar Induction

- Visual grounded neural syntax acquisition



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 - Similar results even if the dimension of embeddings get shrunk to 1 or 2.
 - embeddings mainly capture POS tags
 - concreteness?



Model	NP	VP	PP	ADJP	Avg. F_1
Shi2019	79.6	26.2	42.0	22.0	50.4 ± 0.3
Shi2019*	80.5	26.9	45.0	21.3	51.4 ± 1.1
1, SWS, CME	77.2	17.0	53.4	18.2	49.7 ± 5.9
2, SWS, CME	80.8	19.1	52.3	17.1	51.6 ± 0.6
+HI					
Shi2019	74.6	32.5	66.5	21.7	53.3 ± 0.2
Shi2019*	73.1	33.9	64.5	22.5	51.8 ± 0.3
1, SWS, CME	74.0	35.2	62.0	24.2	51.8 ± 0.4
2, SWS, CME	73.8	30.2	63.7	21.9	51.3 ± 0.1
+HI+FastText					
Shi2019	78.8	24.4	65.6	22.0	54.4 ± 0.3
Shi2019*	77.3	23.9	64.3	21.9	53.3 ± 0.1
1, SWS, CME	76.6	21.9	68.7	20.6	53.5 ± 1.4
2, SWS, CME	77.5	22.8	66.3	19.3	53.6 ± 0.2
+HI+FastText-IN					
Shi2019*	78.3	26.6	67.5	22.1	54.9 ± 0.1
1, SM, CMX	79.6	29.0	38.3	23.5	49.7 ± 0.2
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Visual Prior Grammar Induction

- Recommend readings
 - *Visually Grounded Compound PCFGs.*
 - *Dependency Induction Through the Lens of Visual Perception*

References

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