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## § 2. THE PROCESS THEORY

*In this chapter we present a theory about language processes which is based on the modular grammar theory discussed in previous chapter.*

*In a first section we present a parsing system for natural language. After an introduction to the parsing problem and an intuitive overview of the model we define in full detail the representation constructs, the sort of linguistic reasoning and the control structure of the system. After that we discuss an example and shortly indicate how structures can be extracted from the result of the parsing process.*

*In a second section we present very briefly some ideas for a natural language producing system which consults the same linguistic information as is used by the parsing system.*

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## 2.1. THE PARSING PROCESS

### 2.1.0. Introduction

In this section we present an exact model for the analysis of natural language based on the linguistic principles discussed in previous chapter. In this introductory part we define the parsing problem itself and present an overview of our system.

Normally the parsing problem for natural language is defined as the problem of how to find for a given natural language sentence the structures upon which an interpretation can take place.

However recently it has become more and more clear that this goal is not reachable simply because the input sentence itself does not contain enough information for an effective interpretation to take place. Based on the principle that the more intelligent the receiver the less explicit information you need to transmit, the information in a natural language sentence is restricted to the minimum.

So we restate the problem as follows: A parsing system extracts from the natural language sentence as much as possible information which is relevant for the interpretation process as can be done on the basis of a grammar.

The parsing problem consists then in the construction of a parsing system.

If we stick to our terminology of language phenomena and language factors, we can define the main problem in the design of a parsing system as follows. How can one observe the presence of a certain language factor. In the past two basic methods have been introduced and we want to add a third method here.

The first method is the inductive method (called bottom up parsing in the computational linguistics jargon). It proceeds as follows: You start from observing certain phenomena and by gradual abstraction over the phenomena you try to relate a certain phenomenon to a certain factor.

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A typical notion in this context is that of a surface structure (first level of abstraction) and one deeper structure and maybe even later still a more semantic structure, etc;.

The second method is the deductive method (called topdown parsing in the computational linguistics jargon). It proceeds as follows: You start from certain grammatical expectations and you gradually translate these expectations up to a point where you are able to compare them with the language input. Notice the same ideas about small steps (but now in a reverse direction) leading from 'deep' structures to surface structures.

The third method, and the one that will be followed here, is what we will call the method of falsification. It proceeds as follows: the input elements themselves define a set of hypotheses about the factors being signalled. The system knows the relation between a factor and a phenomenon. Thus it can compute the implications of a given factor for the language situation. If these implications are not present, the hypothesis is falsified, else it is accepted, at least for the time being.

So, in the first methods you consider a certain phenomenon over a given input element and ask the question what pattern of my grammar applies. Suppose you have found the pattern then you ask what pattern applies next, etc.

In the falsification method a given input element tells right from the start what things it may be used for. Then you go to the grammar and ask suppose I use that input element for x, what implications does this have as regards the language phenomena over the input elements. Then you go back to the input situation and check whether it is as predicted.

In general the falsification method assumes an active grammar consultant that computes implications whereas the other methods assume an active representation that changes from surface to deep in small steps.

From this option follows the way in which the next main problem is approached: How are you going to bring the variety of knowledge sources relevant for parsing in motion.

In the recent history of parsing systems the discussion has been centered around the dichotomy between syntax vs. semantics directed parsers. Let us introduce these two modes of thinking briefly before we present our own position.

The first attempts (around 1960) to analyse natural language mainly from the point of view of automatic translation were mostly directed towards morphological processing and the construction of large dictionaries (see Vauquois, 1976, for an overview).

The second school of thinking (around 1965) was strongly syntax based. The problem of analysis was split up in two subproblems (a) the discovery of preliminary structures representing the syntactic properties of the input, and (b) the discovery of the actual semantic structures.

In the syntax-directed parsers designed during this period, the preliminary structures represent the syntactic aspects of the sentence (in particular functional relations albeit that functional relations are sometimes indirectly represented in terms of constituent structure trees). To construct these preliminary structures a grammar in the usual sense is consulted as source of knowledge. The semantic structures are obtained by still quite complicated mappings starting from the preliminary structure.

A typical well known example of such a parsing system is the Woods' transition network parser (Woods, et.al., 1972). In this system recursive transition networks augmented with tree transforming actions and register manipulations are used to obtain the preliminary structures. To compute the semantic structures semantic rules are applied. These rules have two parts: a left part with 'templates consisting of a (syntactic) tree fragment plus additional semantic conditions' (ibid. 2. 18) and a right part with 'forms or schemata' upon which the evaluation can take place.

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The mapping of rules proceeds by matching a syntactic structure with the left part of a rule, and if successful the result is the right part.

Another example is Petrick's transformational recognition procedure which uses a reverse transformational grammar to obtain the preliminary structures and a mapping based on patterns to compute the semantic structures stated in some predicate logic language (Petrick, 1973).

It may be of interest to point out the parallelism with the so called standard theory of transformational grammars as presented in Aspects (Chomsky, 1965). The preliminary structures correspond to the deep structures in this theory and the semantic structures which in a Katz-Fodor conception often associated with this standard theory, consists of feature sequences, are obtained by some system of projection rules (Katz, 1973).

The third school of thought (around 1970) which is said to perform semantics-directed parsing does not use the intermediary step of having preliminary structures in which functional relations or category information plays a role. Here one starts immediately on the level of constructing structures which are to be used in the interpretation. A typical well known example here is Wilks' analyser (Wilks, 1975) or Riesbeck's parser (Riesbeck, 1976). Wilks uses templates and other forms of semantic knowledge to discover the semantic structures directly on the basis of the input. The parallel to the generative semantics viewpoint should be obvious here.

In the light of our own parser it seems that the syntax/semantics directed dichotomy can be resolved into an option for all available knowledge directed parsing. It is only because an hierarchical dimension was introduced in the parsing system that the question arises. We will see that this hierarchical thinking need not be the only way. In particular we will show

the various knowledge sources can act in parallel and can be brought together by a supervising control structure.

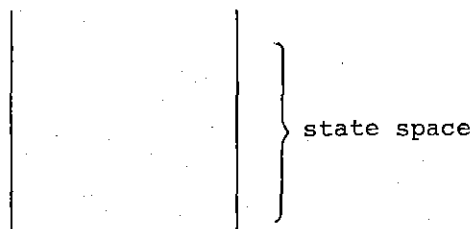
We stress that these two developments, i.e. the falsification method and the parallel application of knowledge is an immediate result of the linguistic theory presented in previous chapter, more in particular of the modular property of this theory and of the fact that the grammatical rules define a relation between a factor and a language phenomenon.

The intuitive model: the particle theory

Let us now create a picture of the language process as we see it happening. (Theoretically of course. No claim is made about the psychological reality of the whole thing, although we hope psychologists may find inspiration in the model.) The description here will seem to be rather intuitive. But our aim at the moment is to evoke understanding of the general spirit and underlying ideas. The exact account up to the level of computer programs simulating the language process, as we will depict it here, will follow later.

Language can best be seen as a form of energy exchange between two information processing systems. What interests us is how the exchange takes place. Obviously there is a system which emits the energy and a system which accepts the energy. First we discuss the accepting process, normally called language understanding.

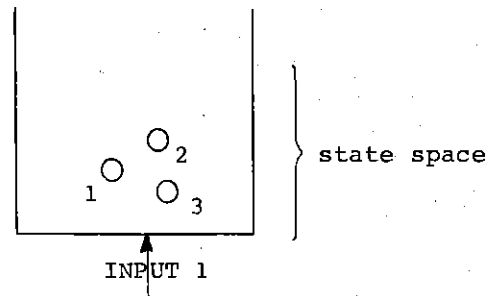
Language understanding is the evocation of a series of actions caused by the incoming energy of a language sentence. Imagine a sort of work space, which we will call the state space:





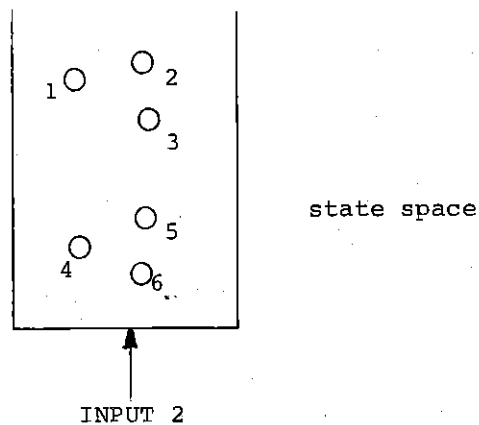
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Each time an element of a language sentence comes in, it provides the energy to create one or more particles:



time: t1

The particles are numbered for ease of reference. The time dimension is very important. Indeed, at the next moment of time, a new pulse of energy comes in (but the old particles remain in the state space of course):

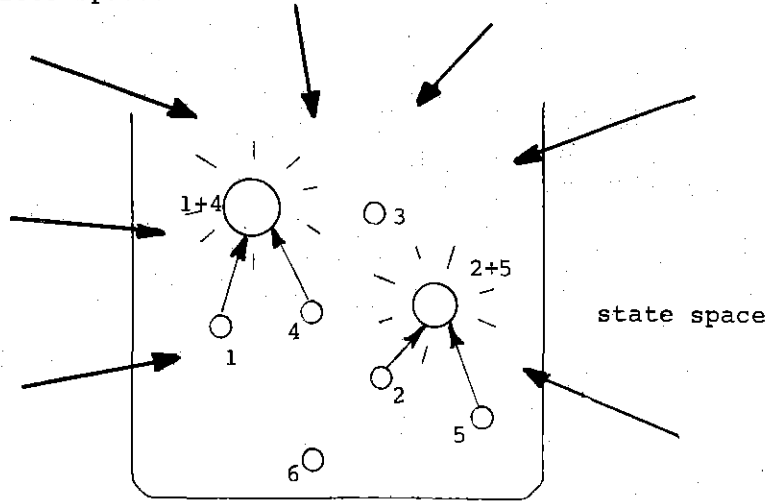


time: t2

Now comes the second sort of action : the combination of two particles to form a new one. This combination is caused by the activation of a number of forces which are resident in the state space. The word force is important here. Think about physical forces as magnetism or gravity. Although certain conditions should

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be met with by the particles for a force to become active, the force should be seen as a global phenomenon, present in the complete space.

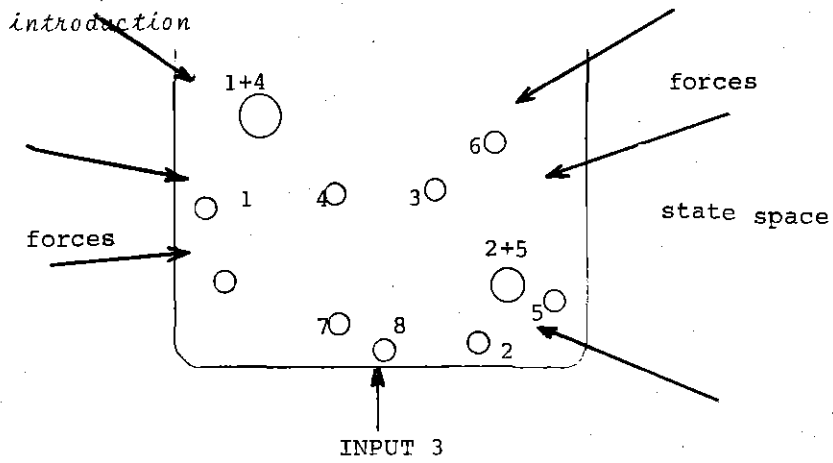


time  $t_2$ "

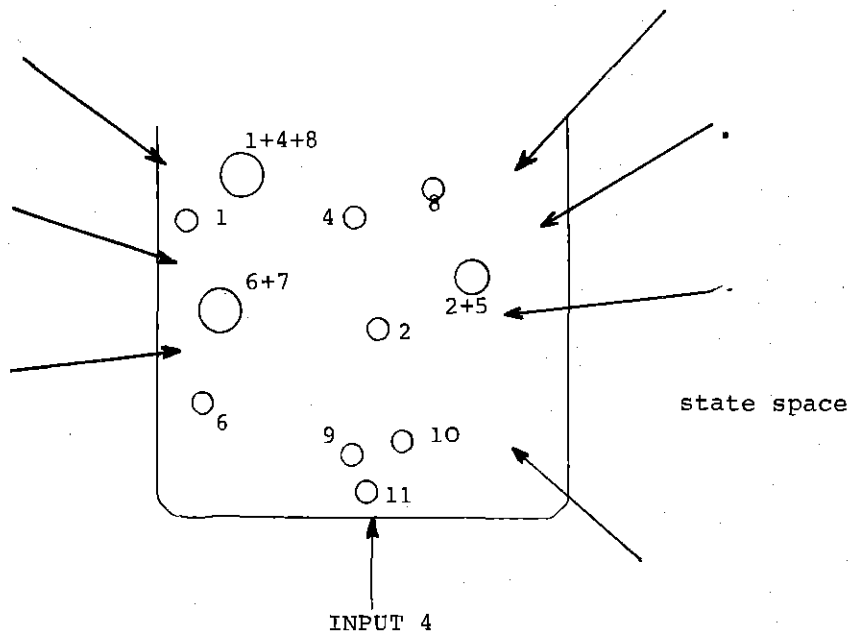
There are some general conditions for the combination of two particles, such as (i) particles created due to the same input pulse are never combined (ii) a particle that was combined earlier to a certain particle can later not be combined again to this particle, (iii) it is allowed however to combine the same particle with more than one other particle.

Another interesting thing is of course the investigation of the forces themselves. We will see that there are two types of forces: (i) Forces which incorporate aspects of the system of conventions that the language users agreed upon (in such a case an alternative word for force is knowledge source) and (ii) forces which incorporate results of previous actions by the system, e.g. the status of the state space as a whole is (paradoxically !) a force in the state space.

Note that the newly formed particles may still combine later with other particles which float around in the state space. As a whole you get a regular pulse of incoming energy creating particles, and of subsequent combination processes.



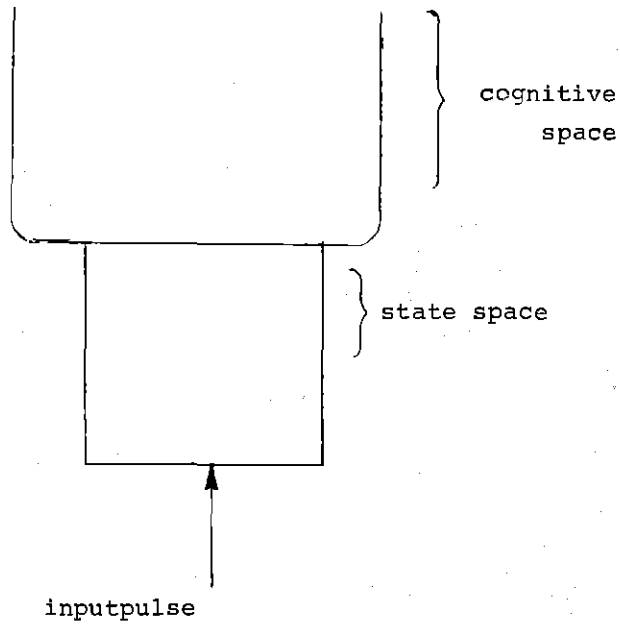
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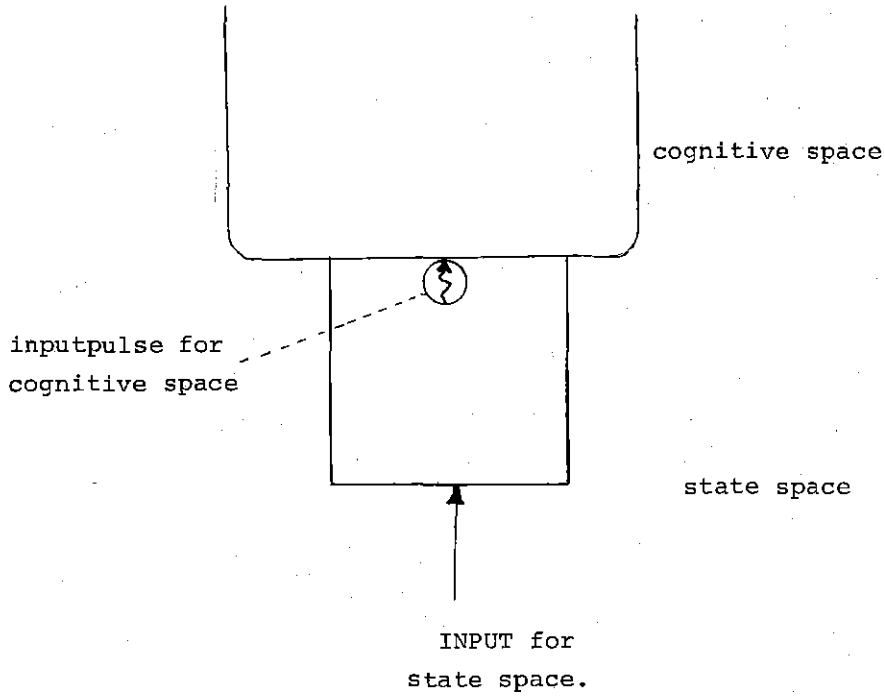
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Now comes the second part of the story. Imagine a second work space which we will call the cognitive space on top of the state space.

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The particles travelling through the state space are now to be seen as input energy for action in the cognitive space:



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Actions in the cognitive space can take the form of changing the memory structures, causing sequences of commands for physical action, causing the evocation of thought processes, etc. The particles enter a new sphere so to say, they become forces themselves.

The first type of actions (creation of particles and their combination) are called analysis actions. The second type (where particles themselves become forces) the interpretation actions. It is fruitless to assume that the two types of actions occur after each other in time, rather we say that the two phases occur in parallel, even more, although the second operates on output of the first, it turns out that the interpretation is (paradoxically) one of the forces in the analysis phase itself.

When reading this short description of the language process, the analogies with chains of chemical reactions or with interactions of physical forces will readily come into the reader's mind.

We do not discourage these analogies.

too mechanistic conception of the language processing systems and the language process itself. Instead one should see it as a "living" phenomenon, in the biological sense. Typical are the goal directedness, the interaction with the environment (made up by other information processing systems), the constant evolution known as linguistic change, the maintenance of a steady state, the high interaction of the subsystems, the interconnectivity of everything, etc.. See for a general discussion of this Steels (1976, b)

A great number of questions are raised by the above description of the language process. The questions that will concern us most are:

1. what is the nature of the particles?
2. what forces are operating?
3. what are the mechanics of each force?

These questions will be our main concern in the next paragraphs.

First we will discuss the interior details of the particles themselves (2.1.1.). then we will formalize the sort of reasoning that is embodied in the forces and how the results of reasoning interact. (2.1.2.).

The next topic is the construction of new particles: the merging process (2.1.3.). Then we discuss the general control structure of the system (2.1.4.) and give a detailed example of a complete process for one sentence (2.1.5.). We close this section by showing how structures can be extracted from the particles (2.1.6.).

Numerous examples of parsing processes will be given in next chapter when we present the experimental results.

particles

### 2.1.1. Particles

We said already that a particle is a linguistic object that contains sequences of primitive information items in a structured way. The following principles will be used for the design of these information sequences:

(i) Only the information necessary to run the process is included. This implies that information which is available at other places (e.g. the dictionary) is considered to be superfluous in the particle.

(ii) We try to preserve ambiguity as much as possible, that means until it can be resolved. In practice this leads to the following options:

-a- An initial particle should be made for every possible function and for every predicate/viewpoint, i.e. for every sequence in the lexicon .

-b- Ambiguity as regards syntactic features and semantic features is preserved due to our feature complex calculus.

-c- Ambiguity as regards states in transition networks (both syntactic and semantic) is preserved.

-d- Only if due to a certain merging (on the basis of an object relation) more than one case comes out, it proves to be necessary to construct more than one resulting particle. In all other cases the combination of two particles yields only one new particle. This is a very strong result.

-e- Lexical ambiguity which has no influence on the parsing process is preserved, even up to the level of semantic structuring . In other words some sorts of ambiguity cannot be resolved on the basis of the grammar alone.

(iii) It should be possible to compute the functional, case and semantic structures, as defined earlier, immediately on the basis of the particles. In other words no other sort of processing is allowed as interface for the semantic component.

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We now define the particles in full detail. A particle contains mainly 'configurations' linked with each other. So we first define the notion of configuration.

Definition

A configuration is an  $n+2$  tuple:

$$\langle a_1, \dots, a_{n+2} \rangle \quad n \geq 0$$

such that

- $a_1$  is a word
- $a_2$  is an information sequence
- $a_{i+2}, \dots, a_{n+2}$  for  $i \geq 0, n \geq i$  other configurations

Definition

An information sequence  $i$  for adjuncts and functionwords is a 6-tuple:

$$i = \langle i_1, i_2, i_3, i_4, i_5, i_6 \rangle$$

such that

- $i_1$  is the hypothesis of the word under consideration; we number hypotheses according to the moment of input:  $INP_1, INP_2, \dots$
  - $i_2$  is the function name of the word for that hypothesis
  - $i_3$  the state in syntactic network
- according to our principle of the preservation of ambiguity we allow there to be a set of states;
- $i_4$  the state in the semantic network, also here we will allow there to be a set of states;
  - $i_5$  the internal syntactic feature complex (the extension)
  - $i_6$  the qual/mod/undet characteristic

An information sequence  $i$  for objects consists of a 7-tuple

$$i = \langle i_1, i_2, i_3, i_4, i_5, i_6, i_7 \rangle$$

such that

- $i_1, i_2, i_3, i_4, i_5$  are as for adjuncts
- $i_6$  is the extension of the semantic features associated with the viewpoint of the word for the predicate in the lexicon sequence that immediately caused this information sequence
- $i_7$  the case.



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An information sequence is initially constructed on the basis of the grammar but may be changed during the parsing process. According to our first principle, we need a special reason to incorporate an item. Let us therefore now give arguments for incorporating the above information pieces and no other ones in an information sequence.

(i) The hypothesis is necessary because one word may have different hypotheses.

(ii) The function is there because we want it to be possible to extract a functional structure directly from a configuration.

(iii) The state of the function in its syntactic network is incorporated because it can be changed during parsing.

(iv) The state in the case network is only relevant if there are objects, but if so, it is obviously necessary because the state in the case network changes for every object that comes in.

For adjuncts

(v) The qual/mod/undet characteristic relevant for the semantic feature matching e.g. is incorporated because it is worked out (sometimes) by the parsing process which characteristic holds.

(vi) The internal feature complex is incorporated because it may be changed by a syntactic feature match or by features being added to it due to the send-through rule. Consistency must be kept, i.e. if a match was successful for a particular subset, then later on the same subset must be used.

For objects:

(v) For the same reason the syntactic feature complex of objects is incorporated.

(vi) And for the same reason the semantic feature complex is necessary. If an object fills a slot in one frame on the basis of a particular subset, then if a test is made whether it fits in another frame this can only be based on the same feature set.

(vii) The case itself is a necessary element for objects (except for the subject of the sentence) because it is computed during parsing time and the same initial hypothesis may later lead to different cases.

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Besides a configuration a particle contains the following:

- (i) The range of the configuration, i.e. from which word to which word the configuration goes,
- (ii) whether the particle is open for further combination processes or not (if not we add the label LOCKED to a configuration),
- (iii) the state in the syntactic network of the topword in the configuration when the reduction relation is proceeding from left to right.

In the discussion and examples (i) and (ii) will often be left out.

Example

1. ((N1) LETTER (INP4 NOM.OBJ NIL NIL ((SING OBJ) (SING SUBJ 3PS))  
state word hypo function state state  
thesis in in syntactic features  
((THING) NIL) ) synt. sem.  
semantic case net net  
features

(configuration for object with state in synt netw added on top)

2. (WRITES (INP2 VERB NIL (W/1 FIN) ((PRESENT)) QUAL ) )  
word hypo function state state in synt. qual/mod/undet  
thesis in in features characteristic  
synt. sem. network netw.

(configuration for adjunct)

3. ((N5) GIRLS (INP5 NOM.OBJ NIL NIL ((BY PREP DEF TWO PLURAL))  
((PERSON)) NIL)  
(BEAUTIFUL (INP4 ATT.ADJ NIL NIL NIL UNDET))  
(TWO (INP3 NUM1 NIL NIL NIL NIL))  
(THE (INP2 DETERM NIL NIL NIL NIL) )

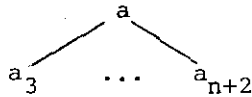
(configuration with three depending configurations)

For the following discussion we will use schematic representations of configurations in the form of tree structures:

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Convention

If  $c = \langle a_1, a_2, a_3, \dots, a_{n+2} \rangle$  is a configuration with  $a_3, \dots, a_{n+2}$  other configurations then we draw a tree:



We can now define the particles themselves:

Definition

A particle is a quadruple  $\langle a_1, a_2, a_3, a_4 \rangle$  with

- a1 the range (i.e. from where to where in the input sequence the particle contains words)
- a2 LOCKED or NIL (keywords indicating whether the particle is no longer or still subject to combination processes)
- a3 a state in a network or a set of states associated with the word in the topconfiguration of a4
- a4 a configuration.

Convention

As was mentioned already the range and the LOCKED/NIL will normally be omitted in the discussion.

### 2.1.2. The parsing predicates and their combination

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Now comes the second step in the exposition: an investigation of what sort of reasoning can be used to decide whether two particles should merge or not. It is obvious that the more precise this decision process, the more efficient the parser.

It turns out that there are two main sorts of reasoning about the information in the particles, the first one is based on linguistic knowledge about the systematic aspects of the source language. The second one is concerned with the general principles of parsing that seem to govern the whole process.

Because there are many different knowledge sources available to support linguistic reasoning about language, we decided that the main problem, i.e. whether two particles should merge or not, can best be split up in a number of subproblems: should the particles merge on the basis of knowledge source x (say word order), should the particles merge on the basis of knowledge source y (say concord), etc. Once this step is taken one needs a formal model to combine the outcomes of the different consultations. We will therefore develop first of all a formal model for the combination of the results of linguistic reasoning performed by means of the parsing predicates which will be discussed in the following sections.

#### 2.1.2.1. The combination of the parsing predicates

As theoretical model for the interaction of the knowledge sources we adopt a model from automata theory that was never before presented as a model for language parsing but rather as a model for doing computational geometry or solving the problem of perceiving objects and pictures ! We are thinking about perceptrons (see Minsky and Papert, 1969).

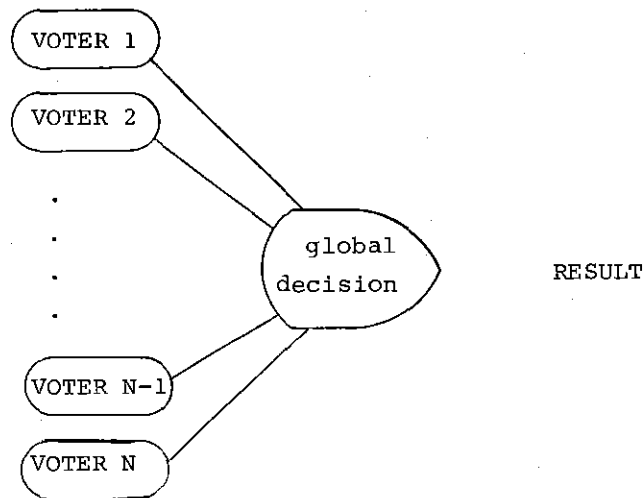
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(1) A set of predicates which are computable independent of each other and which all deal with a particular aspect of reality, and

(2) a decision function that brings the results of the various predicates together and thus computes the value of the predicate as a whole.

You may imagine a perceptron to be a sort of voting system where each subpredicate is a voter. The decision function is then used to compare the results of all voters and to make the final decision. Formally, it is not excluded that the decision of one voter is considered more important than that of another one, we say that the first voter has more weight than the other.

Another aspect is the treshhold which is a way to incorporate the idea that a minimum of voters must agree before the whole decision becomes positive:



Minsky and Papert define perceptrons using the notion of a treshhold and weight as follows:

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Definition

"Let  $\Phi = \phi_1, \phi_2, \dots, \phi_n$  be a family of predicates.

We will say that  $\psi$  is linear with respect to  $\Phi$  if there exists a number  $\theta$  (the threshold) and a set of numbers

$\alpha_{\phi_1}, \alpha_{\phi_2}, \dots, \alpha_{\phi_n}$  (the weights)

such that

$$\psi(X) = 1 \quad \text{iff} \quad \alpha_{\phi_1} \phi_1(X) + \dots + \alpha_{\phi_n} \phi_n(X) \geq \theta \quad \text{" (ibid,10)}$$

(Notice that the code for true is 1 and false 0).

Definition

"A perceptron is a device capable of computing all predicates which are linear in some given set  $\Phi$  of partial predicates " (ibid,11)

Now we apply this concept to the parsing process.

The main predicate for which we want a decision true or false is this : Is it necessary to merge two particles ?  
To decide on this we distinguish a number of subpredicates which we will call the PARSING PREDICATES where each subpredicate embodies a particular force. Take e.g. the predicate which applies the syntactic features match rule. This predicate checks then for a word in each particle whether there is concord between the two. If so, the subpredicate is true, else it is false. Similarly for all other phenomena.

It is important to note that each subpredicate is computed independently of the other ones.

We think that this perceptron conception of the parsing process solves the following problems:

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(i) Each moment the system wants to merge two particles, all available knowledge sources can be asked to vote for or against the merging. In this way we can obtain a complete interaction of all knowledge sources on the decision and this prevents superfluous combination processes right from the start. Also we can organize the application of all knowledge sources in parallel, because each of them works independently of the others. This is certainly a fascinating idea and obviously leads to very powerful parsers.

(ii) The perceptron conception solves another great problem on which parsers currently break down, namely the problem of unreliability.

First of all there is unreliability of a knowledge source. Take e.g. semantic features testing. It is well known that any rigorous system set up to obtain consistency of semantic feature processing will break down because one can always produce semantically anomalous sentences and still be understood. The same holds for other linguistic phenomena. The sentence "he speaks not good English " is perfectly well understood, as well as "he speak not good English" and (although matters obviously become worse) "not speak he good English". But on the other hand there is a boundary of understandibility. Consider "speak good he English not".

Second there is the unreliability of the input. To say that every sentence formulated in a certain language is grammatically 100 % correct is quickly refuted by observation. E.g. there are bound to be numerous mistakes in this text due to the fact that its author is not a native speaker of the language and therefore does not know the conventions as well as someone who has been practising them all his life. Notice that the language user is not only able to understand these imperfect sentences, moreover he knows why this or that sentence is imperfect.

These two factors can in our opinion only be coped with by a perceptron conception for the interaction of the various knowledge sources, where we can attach weight to each knowledge source and where the threshold should not necessarily be equal to a 100 % satisfaction of all subpredicates. E.g. if

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all but the semantic features predicate yields true  
, the decision function may decide that enough evidence  
is there to insist upon merging the two particles.

Notice that when we meet a linguistic fact that is  
not consistent with the linguistic description in the  
grammar we do not necessarily consider the grammar to be  
falsified by the occurrence of this phenomenon !

Having discussed the combination of the parsing predicates,  
we can now turn to a discussion of the parsing predicates  
themselves. As already mentioned in the introduction to  
this section there are two sorts of reasoning possible.  
Consequently we organize two further subsections. One  
about the systematics of the language and one for reasoning  
about the process or results about the parsing process.

#### 2.1.2.2. Parsing predicates based on systematics of the language

The question whether two particles are allowed to merge  
amounts to answering the question whether a certain word say  
 $w_1$  in configuration  $c_1$  can act as the subordinate of another  
word, say  $w_2$  in configuration  $c_2$ . The environment ,i.e. the  
other items in the configuration, may be involved in this  
decision as we will see and also the position of each word  
in its own configuration is not irrelevant. This will be  
discussed in § 2.1.2.3. . Here we concentrate on the two  
words themselves and their associated information. Consequently  
the predicates will be formulated on the basis of two words.  
We address the information sequence of a word  $w_k$  as  $i_{wk}$  and  
the  $n$ -th item in it as  $i_{n,wk}$ .

The discussion here runs parallel with the discussion of the  
grammatical rules, in particular there is a predicate for  
each rule. To make the relation between the linguistic rules  
and the parsing predicates explicit, we place a  $p$ -indicator  
before each rule, e.g. if function-of-head is a rule, then  
 $p$ -function-of-head is the predicate derived from it.



(1) FUNCTION-OF-HEAD and TAKING-OBJECTS

Recall the structural property that given words  $w_1$  (in configuration  $c_1$ ) and  $w_2$  (in configuration  $c_2$ ), if  $w_1$  is supposed to have a particular grammatical function  $f$  as regards  $w_2$ ,  $w_2$  should have a particular possible function, indicated by function-of-head ( $f$ ) .

From this we extract the following predicate:

Definition

p-function-of-head :  $W \times W \rightarrow \{TRUE, FALSE\}$  is defined for  $(\forall w) (i_{2,w_1} \in F\text{-adj} \cup F\text{-functw})$  as follows:

$$\text{p-function-of-head}(w_1, w_2) = \begin{cases} TRUE & \text{if } \text{function-of-head}(i_{2,w_1}) = i_{2,w_2} \\ FALSE & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Recall also that for objects the information was stored vice-versa by means of the taking-objects rule telling whether a word takes objects or not. This leads to the next predicate:

Definition

p-taking-objects:  $W \times W \rightarrow \{TRUE, FALSE\}$  is defined for  $(\forall w_1) (i_{2,w_1} \in F\text{-object})$  as follows

$$\text{p-taking-objects}(w_1, w_2) = \begin{cases} TRUE & \text{if } \text{taking-objects}(i_{2,w_2}) = TRUE \\ FALSE & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

(2) Word order

The second property is that two words should be in a relative position as regards each other for a particular grammatical relation to hold.

We use two linguistic rules for this purpose: position (if the subordinate has the function adjunct or functionword) and object-position (if the subordinate has the function object). Consequently we will have two corresponding predicates. But first we need an auxiliary predicate.

Definition

We say that a word  $w_i$  comes before another word  $w_j$  denoted as  $w_i < w_j$  if in the input sequence we have  $w_1 \dots w_i \dots w_j \dots w_n$   $n > 0$  and  $1 < i < j < n$

Definition

Let p-position :  $W \times W \rightarrow \{TRUE, FALSE\}$  be defined for  $(\forall w_1) (i_{2,w_1} \in F\text{-adjuncts} \cup F\text{-functw})$  as follows:

$$p\text{-position}(w_1, w_2) = \begin{cases} TRUE & \text{if } \underline{position}(i_{2,w_1}) = \text{before or undet} \\ & \text{and } w_1 < w_2 \\ FALSE & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Definition

Let p-object-position :  $W \times W \rightarrow \{TRUE, FALSE\}$  be defined for  $(\forall w_1) (i_{2,w_1} \in F\text{-object})$  as follows:

$$p\text{-object-position}(w_1, w_2) = \begin{cases} TRUE & \text{if } \underline{object\text{-}position}(i_{1,w_2}) = \text{before or} \\ & \text{undet and } w_1 < w_2 \\ FALSE & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

(3) Syntactic networks

Completion automata are used in the system to regulate in a nontrivial way the mutual restrictions that occur when different subordinates are related to the same head.

An important assumption behind the use of these networks (when used in a left-going mode) is that the ranges of the unit relevant for the transitions in a network are bordering on each other and as soon as a unit is encountered that does not fit, the network is assumed to enter a final state. In this way we can discover the boundaries of word groups and it must be noted that the method works excellent.

Another nice consequence of the assumption is that the state in the network should not be incorporated in the information sequence of the topword of the combination but can be stored externally in the particle itself and be declared irrelevant as soon as the boundary of the network has been found. This is the reason why we defined such a state as being located outside a configuration.

The predicate relevant for syntactic networks is then defined as follows:

Definition

p-synt-network:  $W \times W \rightarrow \{TRUE, FALSE\}$  is defined

$(\forall w_2)$  (syntactic-network  $(i_2, w_2)$  is defined) as follows:

Let  $S = s_1, \dots, s_n$  be the set of states associated with the particle of  $w_2$ , then

$$\text{p-synt-netw } (w_1, w_2) = \begin{cases} \text{TRUE if } (\exists s \in S) (\gamma(i_2, w_1, s) \neq \emptyset) \\ \text{FALSE otherwise} \end{cases}$$

The second aspect in relation to syntactic networks is that a set of new states is associated with the particle. This operation is however dealt with in the section where we deal with the construction of new particles.

(4) Concord

The next predicate has to do with the syntactic feature matches based on the feature complex calculus we introduced in previous chapter.

Definition

p-concord:  $W \times W \rightarrow \{TRUE, FALSE\}$  is a function defined  
 $(\forall w_1) (w_1 \in F\text{-object})$

$$\text{p-concord}(w_1, w_2) = \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{TRUE if either} \\ \quad (i) \text{ concord}(i_2, w_1) = \text{false} \\ \quad \text{or} \\ \quad \text{concord}(i_2, w_1) = \text{true and} \\ \quad \text{syntactic-feature-complex of } w_2 \\ \quad \text{matches with } i_{5, w_1} \\ \text{FALSE otherwise} \end{array} \right.$$

(5) Send-through

The other aspect having to do with syntactic feature complexes is the phenomenon that certain features are 'send-through' to the feature complex of the head. This is again a situation where the information sequence is changed and this will be discussed in the relevant subsection.

Now comes the second series of predicates related to case.

(6) Semantic features for adjuncts

The next parsing predicate investigates whether the head of a function has the appropriate semantic features to fill a slot in a frame of a subordinate.

For this purpose it is necessary (i) to compute the semantic features that are to be satisfied by means of the viewpoint of the adjunct, (ii) to compute the semantic features that are associated to the slot filler (recall the additional complexity due to the modifier/qualifier distinction), (iii) to see whether both features match, in particular whether the result of (ii) matches with the result of (i). If the result of the match yields true the predicate is true, else false.

Definition

p-sem.feats-adju :  $W \times W \rightarrow \{TRUE, FALSE\}$  is defined  
 $(\forall w1) (w1 \in F\text{-adjuncts})$  as follows:

Let  $\langle w1, w2 \rangle \in F$ ,  $p1 = \text{predicate}(w1)$ ,  $c1 = \text{viewpoint}(w1)$  and  
 $p2 = \text{predicate}(w2)$ ,  $c2 = \text{viewpoint}(w2)$  then

$$\text{p-sem.feats-adju}(w1, w2) = \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{TRUE if} \\ \quad \text{(i) either F has the modifier/undet characteristic} \\ \quad \quad \text{and } \underline{\text{match}}(\text{valuerestriction}(\text{self}, p2), \\ \quad \quad \quad \text{valuerestriction}(c1, p1)) = \text{TRUE} \\ \\ \quad \text{or} \\ \quad \text{F has the modifier/undet characteristic} \\ \quad \quad \text{and } \underline{\text{match}}(\text{valuerestriction}(c2, p2), \\ \quad \quad \quad \text{valuerestriction}(c1, p1)) = \text{TRUE} \\ \\ \text{FALSE otherwise} \end{array} \right.$$

parsing predicates

A side-effect of the p-sem.feat-adju predicate is that the domain of the semantic features complex of the head involved is restricted to the set of subsets satisfying the value restriction to be satisfied.

(7) Semantic networks

Next we have the predicate which consults the semantic networks: on the basis of the syntactic features complex it is investigated whether there is a transition possible.

Definition

p-sem-netw :  $W \times W \rightarrow \{\text{TRUE}, \text{FALSE}\}$  is defined

( $\forall w_1$ ) ( $w_1 \in F\text{-objects}$ ) as follows:

Let  $S = \{s_1, \dots, s_n\}$  be the set of states in the case networks with the configuration of  $w_2$ , then

$$\text{p-sem-netw}(w_1, w_2) = \begin{cases} \text{TRUE if } (\exists s \in S) (\chi(i_{5, w_1}, s) = \emptyset) \\ \text{FALSE otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Notice the side-effects: we can compute  $c$ , because  $c$  is associated with a transition in the network, we have a new state in the case network and, because of the feature match, a subset of the syntactic feature complex will be cut out of the domain. This information will be of use in the construction of a new particle.

(8) Semantic feature test for objects.

The final predicate deals with the test whether the semantic features of an object are compatible with the case it wants to fill in a certain case frame.

Definition

$p\text{-sem.feats-obj}: W \times W \rightarrow \{TRUE, FALSE\}$  is defined  
( $\forall w_1$ ) ( $w_1 \in F\text{-object}$ ) as follows:

Let  $\langle w_1, w_2 \rangle \in f$ ,  $p_1 = \text{predicate}(w_1)$ ,  $c_1 = \text{viewpoint}(w_1)$ ,  
 $p_2 = \text{predicate}(w_2)$ , and  $c$  one of the cases of  $p_2$ , then

$$p\text{-sem.feats-obj}(w_1, w_2) = \begin{cases} \text{TRUE if} \\ \quad \text{match}(\text{valuerestriction}(c, p_2), \\ \quad \quad \text{valuerestriction}(c_1, p_1)) = \text{true} \\ \text{FALSE otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

A side effect of this predicate is the restriction of the semantic features complex of the object involved.

We have now presented predicates for all rules in the modular grammar defined in previous chapter. We now turn to reasoning based on results of the process of parsing itself.

### 2.1.2.3. Parsing predicates based on the process

In this subsection we present a number of forces which also help in the decision whether two particles merge but which do not use linguistic information to formulate a decision but rather information accumulated during parsing time. We feel that there are more facts to be discovered about these knowledge sources. Nevertheless the general assumptions about the parsing process which determine the sort of reasoning under discussion in this subsection already now proved to have a very strong impact on the efficiency of the parser.

Let us present these assumptions in some detail.

#### (i) The linearity of language

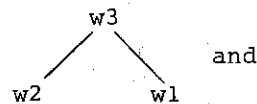
The fact that the words of a language come after each other is used by several parsing predicates (e.g. p-position). It turns out that the linear structure of language sentences can also be used to optimize the parsing process itself, based on the following principle:

#### Principle 1

A particle can only merge with another one if the range of the first particle is bordering on the range of the second particle.

Example:

Given a sequence "w1 w2 w3 w4 w5" then if there are e.g. particles on w3 and w5 containing the structures



(particle 1)

and

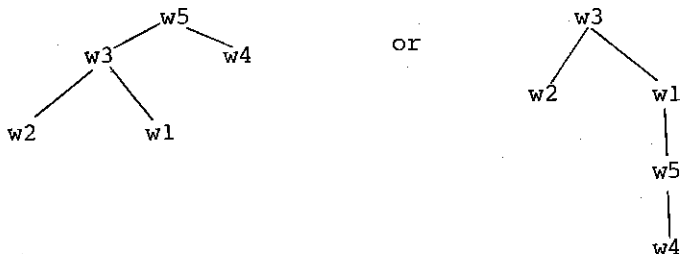


(particle 2)

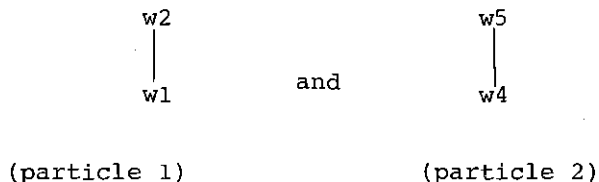


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then we may consider the merging of these two which may lead to

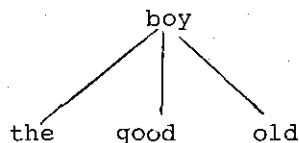


But suppose we have particles on w2 and w5 with structures

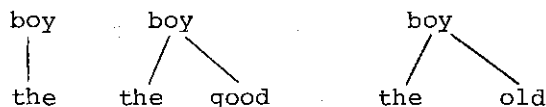


then we will not attempt to link the two according to principle 1 because w4 is in between the ranges.

To see the value of this principle consider "the good old boy" which should result in a particle structure



But suppose we do not accept the principle, then the structures



would equally well be constructed as there is no linguistic information preventing it.

(From a formal language point of view it is interesting to note that the principle reflects the basically context-free character of natural languages !)

(2) The time dimension

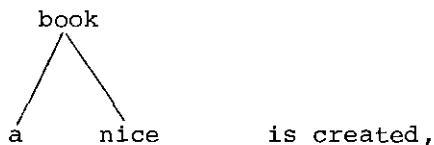
Another consequence of taking this time dimension seriously is that if a particle will be attached to one of the sub-configurations of another particle, what subconfiguration is allowed depends strongly on the time moment this subconfiguration was added to the particle. This is reflected in the following principle:

Principle 2

If the subconfiguration was added by a "forward merge", i.e. suppose  $a_j$  and  $a_i$  were to be merged,  $a_j$  comes before  $a_i$ , then it is not allowed to merge any new particle  $a_k$  on  $a_j$  anymore.

(Readers who think we may come in trouble with this principle should bear in mind that the parsing proceeds from left to right and therefore all possible forward merging that could be done is already done when the particle itself is subject to forward merging)

To see the point of this principle consider the phrase "he reads a nice book". Whatever comes after "book" or before "a", as soon as the structure



is created, it is pointless to look for further combinations with "a" or "nice".

Notice that the principle does not hold for "backward merge". This can easily be understood when considering the ambiguous sentence "he saw the man in the park with a telescope".

(3) Power from structure

The final predicate to be discussed now has to do with the interrelationships of the particles:

Principle 3:

A particle with the same top as another particle but with more subconfigurations is more powerful than the other particle.

To understand this hypothesis consider the following example: "The boys sing... ". During parsing a particle will be made for "the boys", but the particle for "boys" on its own remains in the state space. Now we want to prevent that two structures are built one for "boys sing..." and one for "the boys sing..." although both of them go on the basis of linguistic information as such.

Notice that the hypothesis reflects the principle of goal-directedness which is found in most cognitive tasks: the structured objects will leave a stronger impression on our perception system than not structured ones.

Some care is needed in using the above principles. Apart from the fact that certain constructions such as coordination (which we have not yet considered) will not fall within the scope of the principles it is possible that deviations occur just as there are deviations from the linguistic predicates discussed in previous section.

Some examples of deviations: Take the expression "the author's article". Is 'the' a determiner of 'author' or of 'article' ? According to principle 3 'the' will be considered as a determiner of 'author', and most people would agree on this. But some people would argue that at least theoretically 'the' can be considered as determiner of 'article'. Take as another example the expression 'a brighter colour than this one', where 'than' obviously relates to 'brighter' . But this is against principle 2 !

merging

### 2.1.3. The construction of new particles: the merging process

Suppose that the various parsing predicates have been computed for two particles and that via the perceptron combination the final result yields positive, how is the construction of the new particle working then.

First of all we stress that this combination process is not fatal for the source particles, i.e. when a new particle is made the source particles from which it is made remain in the state space. Although the particle may be 'locked' according to principle 3 discussed earlier.

The definition of the merging process proceeds in two steps. First we define the merging of two configurations, only then we turn to the merging of two particles. The definition of the merging of two configurations itself proceeds also in two steps. First we define the merging of two simple configurations, the so called direct merge, then we define the merging of two more complex configurations.

#### Definition

We say that two configurations  $a_i, a_j$  directly merge

iff

$$a_i = \langle a_{1,i}, a_{2,i}, a_{2+1,i}, \dots, a_{2+m,i} \rangle \quad m \geq 0$$

and

$$a_j = \langle a_{1,j}, a_{2,j}, a_{2+1,j}, \dots, a_{2+n,j} \rangle \quad n \geq 0$$

then

$$\text{d-merge}(a_j, a_i) = \langle a_{1,i}, a'_{2,i}, a_{2+1,i}, \dots, a_{2+m,i}, a_j \rangle$$

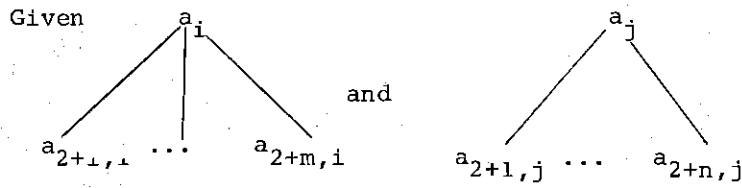
How  $a'_{2,i}$  is computed from  $a_{2,i}$  will be discussed shortly.

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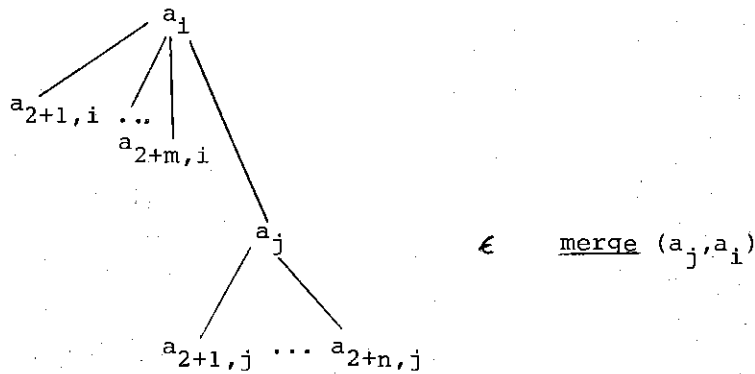
Definition

We say that two configurations  $a_j, a_i$  merge iff either  $d\text{-merge}(a_j, a_i)$  or  $a_j$  merges with  $a_{2+p,i}$ ,  $1 \leq p \leq m$ . The resulting configuration is denoted as merge  $(a_j, a_i)$ .

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then



Now we can define the merging of two particles

Definition

Let  $p_1 = \langle p_{1,1}, p_{2,1}, p_{3,1}, p_{4,1} \rangle$  and

$p_2 = \langle p_{1,2}, p_{2,2}, p_{3,2}, p_{4,2} \rangle$  be two particles then

$p_3 \in$  merge  $(p_2, p_1)$  if

$p_3 = \langle p_{1,1} + p_{1,2}, p'_{2,3}, p'_{3,3}, p_{4,3} \rangle$  (for  $p'_{2,3}$  and  $p'_{3,3}$  cf. infra)  
and  $p_{4,3} \in$  merge  $(p_{4,2}, p_{4,1})$

merging

During the merging process the information in the information sequences of the respective particles are changed.

There are first of all changes in the configuration of the subordinate and second changes in the configuration of the head of the grammatical relation.

(1) Subordinate

(a) If the subordinate is an object, then side effects of the case frame application are:

- (i) That we know the case;
- (ii) That we know the subset of semantic features satisfying the case slot;
- (iii) That we know the subset of syntactic features satisfying the case slot.

So we change the three items in the information sequence of the subordinate.

(b) If the subordinate is an adjunct we only change the qual/mod/undet characteristic.

(c) If the subordinate is a functionword no changes are necessary.

(2) Head

(a) If the head is an object, then

- (i) The state of the function may have to be changed due to a transition in the networks,
- (ii) Similarly the state in the case network may have to be changed on the basis of objects evoking transitions in the networks.
- (iii) The subordinate may have restricted the syntactic feature complex in the syntactic feature match.
- (iv) The subordinate may have restricted the semantic feature complex via the semantic features match to consult the case frames of the adjunct.

(b) If the head is not an object, then

- (i) The state of the function may have to be changed due to a transition in a syntactic network,
- (ii) the state in the case network may have to be changed if affected by the income of objects.

merging

In the particle top structure we moreover change the LOCKED/NIL indicator if necessary according to principle 3 and the state in the syntactic network for the leftgoing transitions. Principle 2 is realized by hanging the indicator NIL after the information sequence of the subordinate as a sort of end marker.

We leave a formal definition of these changes to the reader.

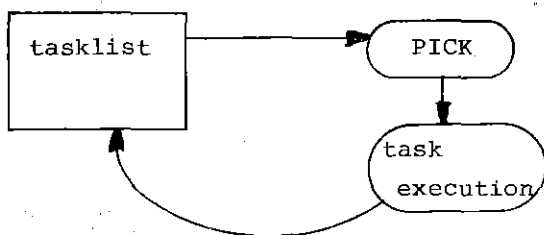
When a merging has taken place, the newly formed particle is investigated further to see if other combinations are possible.

To explain how this is going we present now the general control structure of the parser.

A note on the control structure

To regulate the whole process we use the concept of a tasklist and a function picking out each time the task on top of the tasklist until no tasks are left. The execution of a task may cause the creation of new tasks on the tasklist.

Schematically:



When an input pulse comes in all particles created by this pulse are put on the tasklist. For each particle on the tasklist we try to merge with each particle associated with the word just before the range of the particle. If a merge takes place, we put the newly made particle with extended range again on the tasklist. If no merging can take place no action is undertaken. If the tasklist is empty we consume the next input word. If there are no input words left we compute the structures contained in the final particles associated with the last word of the input.

example

#### 2.1.4. An example

The best way to see how a parsing process as depicted in this chapter is actually going is to consider in full detail an example. For this purpose we take one single sentence "time flies like an arrow" and although we know very well that one normally understands this sentence only as meaning "time passes by quickly" (basically because the sentence has a proverb status) we will for the sake of example assume that all possible readings should come out of the parser. These readings are by the way all produced by anyone if you explicitly ask for them. Much more examples will be given in next chapter when we discuss our experimental results.

Here are the readings:

reading (1) (the normal one) Time passes by quickly.

"Time" is an object of "flies" which is itself a predicate.

"like an arrow" is an adverbial adjunct of "flies".

reading (2) There is a particular sort of insects, called time flies and they have the shape of an arrow.

Here "time" is an adjunct of "flies", "flies" an object and "like an arrow" an adjunct of "flies".

reading (3) There is a particular sort of insects, called time flies and they love arrows.

"Time" and "flies" are as in reading (2), "like" is now the predicate and "arrow" fills a slot in the case frame of "like".

reading (4) Measure the time of a particular sort of flies, namely those which are like an arrow.

"Time" is now an imperative verb, "flies" object and "like an arrow" adjunct of "flies" as in reading (2)

reading (5) Measure the time of a particular sort of flies and do this "like and arrow".

"Time" is again imperative and "flies" object, "like an arrow" is now an adverbial adjunct of "time".



example

Before we can discuss the parsing process we need a small grammar which contains all the information that will be necessary for the parsing process. Let us discuss this grammar first. It is an example grammar, that means that in later experiments we do not necessarily use the same grammar.

(i) The grammar

1.1. Type object

(i) Function nom.obj (nominal object)

type : object

taking-objects: true

object-position: after

example: 'flies' as in 'to capture the flies'

(ii) function: nom.att.adj (nominal attributive adjunct)

being adjuncts formed of objects which consist of a relationword

(that gets the function nom.att.adj) and an object. We will

use the phenomenon of syntactic networks to make the object

obligatory.

type: objective adjunct

position: after

function-of-head: nom.obj

Q/M characteristic: qual

example: 'like' as in "there are time flies like an arrow"

(iii) function: nom.adv.adj (nominal adverbial adjunct)

being adjuncts of other adjuncts which consist of a relation

word (that gets the function nom.adv.adjunct) and an object.

We use again the syntactic networks.

type: objective adjunct

position: after

function-of-head: verb (at least)

Q/M characteristic: mod

example: "like" in the proverb "time flies like an arrow"

(Notice that it is possible to consider only one function for nom.att.adj and nom.adv.adj but we split them up for the sake of the example.)

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### 1.2. Type: adjunct

(i) function: verb

being the main verb of the sentence

type: adjunct

function-of-head: nom.obj

position: after

taking-objects: true

object-position: after

concord: true

Q/M characteristic: undet

example: "flies" in the proverb "time flies like an arrow".

### 1.3. Type: functionword

(i) function determiner (det)

type: functionword

function-of-head and position are specified via the syntactic networks associated with nom.obj

concord: true

send-through: true

example: "an" in "an arrow".

(ii) function: casesign (casesi)

type: functionword

function-of-head and position are specified via the syntactic networks associated with nom.obj.

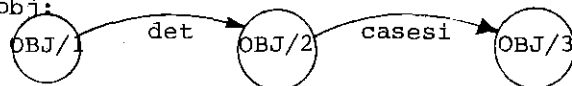
send-through: true.

(this function is only added to make the example more interesting)

## 2 . The syntactic networks

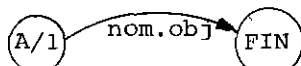
There is one left-going network and one right-going network :

for nom.obj:



where OBJ/1 is the initial state.

and



for nom.adv.adj and nom.att.adj. FIN is the final state.

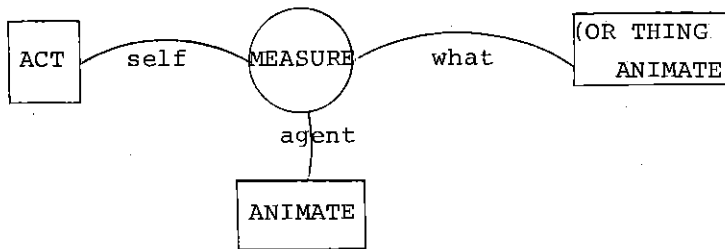
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(3) The case frames

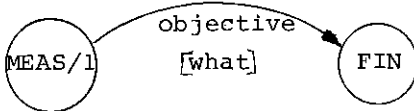
The surface case frames are only given if necessary.

-i- MEASURE

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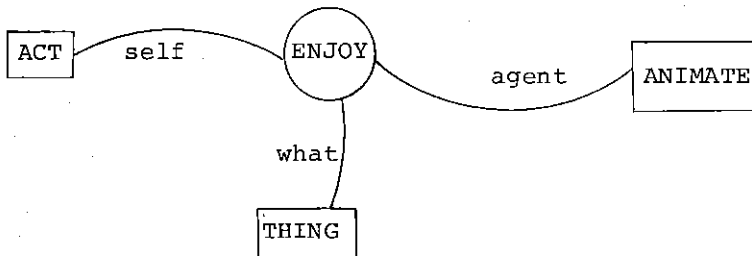


surface case frame for function adjunct and viewpoint agent



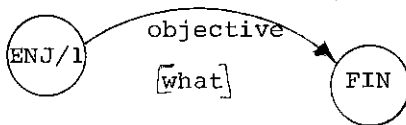
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abstract case frame:



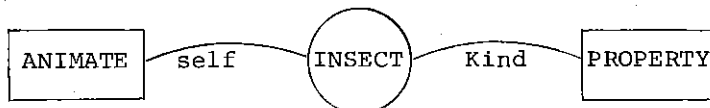
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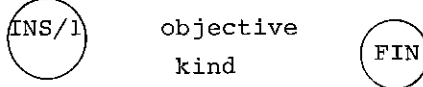


-iii- INSECT

abstract case frame:



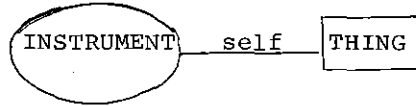
surface case frame:



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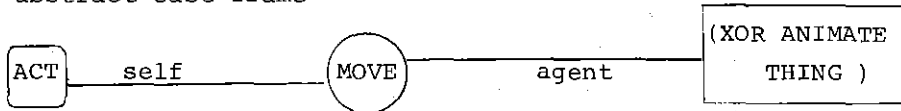
-iv- INSTRUMENT

abstract case frame:



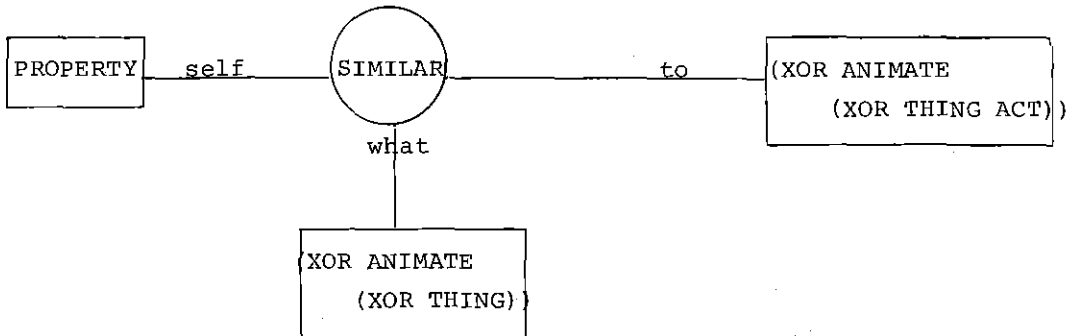
-v- MOVE

abstract case frame



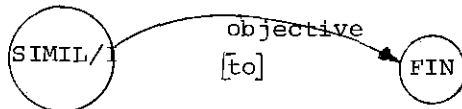
-vi- SIMILAR

abstract case frame



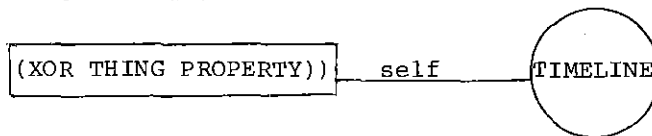
surface case frame

for function adjunct and viewpoint what=



-vii- TIMELINE

abstract case frame:



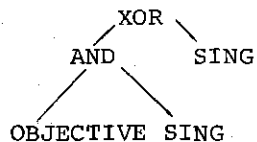
#### 4. The lexicon

(i) AN                    function: det  
                             syntactic features: SING  
                             send-through feature: UNDEF

example

(ii) ARROW

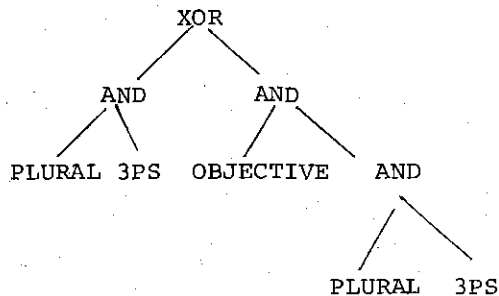
function: nom.obj  
predicate: STICK  
viewpoint: self  
syntactic feature complex:



(iii) FLIES

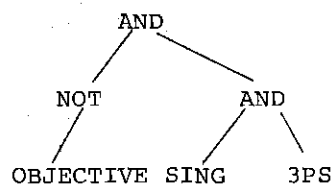
-a-

function: nom.obj  
predicate: insect  
subpredicate: flying  
viewpoint: self  
synt. feat. complex



-b-

function: verb  
predicate: move  
subpredicate: through-air  
viewpoint: agent  
synt. feat. complex :



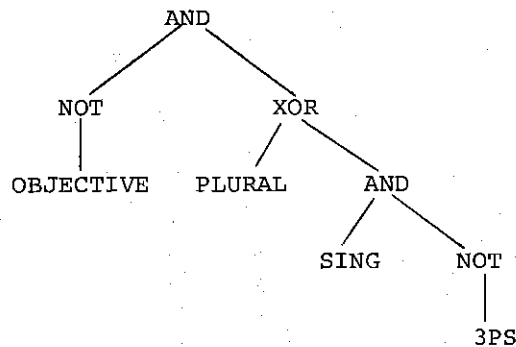
internal feature complex: PRESENT

examples

(iv) LIKE

-a- function: nom.att.adj or nom.adv.adj  
predicate: similar  
viewpoint: what

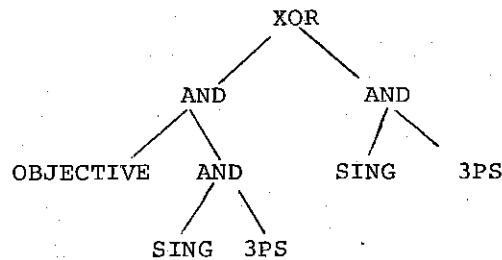
-b- function: verb  
predicate: enjoy  
viewpoint: agent  
external feature complex



internal feature complex: PRESENT

(v) TIME

-a- function: nom.obj  
predic: timeline  
viewpoint: self  
synt.feats.complex



-b- function: verb  
predic: measure  
viewpoint: agent  
ext.feats.complex (AND SING 2PS)  
int. feature complex: imperative

We now start a discussion of the parsing process. We try to keep the presentation as understandable as possible and avoid formal representations.

example

Before the first word is consumed the state space should be considered completely empty. Each time a word comes in particles are created and confronted with already existing ones. For ease of reference we number particles according to their moment of creation. For each particle the configuration contained in it will be give explicitly.

INPUTPULSE NR. 1 : TIME

### I. Initial particles

The first particles are created for each possible function of TIME according to the lexicon:

(i) Particle 1 (for function nom.obj) has configuration

```
(TIME
  (INP1           = hypothesis number
   NOM.OBJ       = function
   NIL            = state in right-going synt.net
   NIL            = state in sem. netw
   ((SING 3PS) (OBJECTIVE SING 3PS)) = synt.feature complex
   ((THING) (PROPERTY))
   NIL) )
```

Notice that all information to construct this configuration comes from the linguistic description system. E.g. the semantic features are computed by taking the extension of the features associated with the case frame of TIMELINE (the predicate of time) with the self-case (the viewpoint of time).

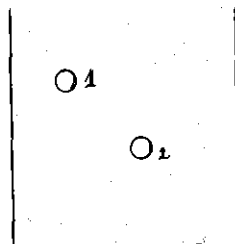
(ii) Particle 2 (for function verb) has configuration:

```
(TIME (INP2 VERB NIL NIL ((PRESENT)) UNDET ))
```

### II. Merging

As no other particles are in the state space, nothing more happens and we get as first result:

state space



example

INPUTPULSE NR. 2. FLIES

### I. Initial particles

Again we make a new particle for each function:

(i) particle 3 (for flies as nom.obj) has configuration  
(FLIES (INP3 NOM.OBJ NIL NIL ((OBJECTIVE PLURAL 3PS) (PLURAL 3PS))  
((ANIMATE)) NIL))

(ii) particle 4 (for flies as predicate) has configuration  
(FLIES (INP4 VERB NIL NIL ((PRESENT)) UNDET . .))

### II. Merging of the particles

For each particle of inputpulse 1 and for each particle due to inputpulse 2 it is investigated whether they can merge either from right to left or from left to right. The last one created is always the first one to be investigated further, so we start with investigating particle 4:

Investigate particle 4 (with flies as verb).

1. Let us try to merge this particle with particle 1 embodying INP1 (time as nom.obj)

In other words we investigate whether a nom.obj and a verb may form a link.

From left to right will not do. Although a verb takes objects they come after it, so "time" is in a wrong position to be an object of flies.

From right to left however is a good combination: because

- function-of-head (verb) = nom.obj and time has the function nom.obj. So the function-of-head test is successful.

- position(verb) = after and flies comes after time, hence there is a successful order test.

- The syntactic features match is necessary (a verb agrees with its subject) and it yields true because the features of "flies" are (AND(NOT OBJECTIVE) (AND SING 3PS)) and those of time are ((SING 3PS) (OBJECTIVE SING 3PS)). Notice that the possibility of time having the case signal objective is ruled out.



example

- The semantic features match yields also true because the viewpoint of flies is agent, the predicate is MOVE and the feature associated is the abstract case frame of MOVE with agent is (XOR ANIMATE THING). Recall that the semantic features of time in particle 1 are ((PROPERTY) (THING)) . So there is a feature match for the subset ((THING)) as well for modifying as for qualifying.

On the basis of these results it is decided that the particles should merge to form a new one:

particle 5 with the following configuration

```
(FLIES (INP4 VERB NIL NIL ((PRESENT)) UNDET )
 (TIME (INP1 NOM.OBJ NIL NIL ((SING 3PS)) ((THING)) NIL )))
```

Notice that the semantic feature complex of 'time' has been restricted to time as a thing.

Notice also that the predicate forms the top of the structure. This in contrast with the normal procedure of merging particles.

3. We try to merge particle 4 with particle 2 containing INP2 (time as verb).

From left to right will not do with the verb flies because a verb has no head and certainly not a predicate.

From right to left is for the same reason not a good combination. Function-of-head(verb) is nom.obj and nom.adj is not a nom.obj.

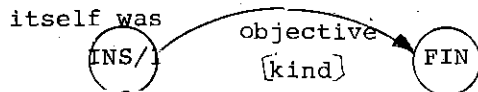
As we now confronted all particles of inputpulse 1 with the particle 4 of inputpulse 2 we can turn to the next particle of inputpulse 2:

(b) Investigate particle 3 (with flies as nom.obj)

(1) We try to merge with particle 1 (time as nom.obj)

example

From left to right the order test is successful because we specified in the grammar that objects may come as well before as after a nom.obj (not necessarily a good assumption in general). Now we investigate the networks. As initial state with flies we have INS/1 . The network



So we go from the initial state INS/1 to the state FIN.

The associated case is KIND.

The next step is the matching of the semantic features.

This yields also true, because with the KIND-case in INSECT, we have the feature 'property', and property is in the feature complex of time.

We conclude that time is a nom.obj of flies. Notice that this could only be concluded after considering time as some kind of property.

A new particle (particle 6) can now be created:

```
(FLIES (INP3 NOM.OBJ NIL FIN ((OBJECTIVE PLURAL 3PS))
      (PLURAL 3PS)) ((ANIMATE )) NIL)
(TIME (INP1 NOM.OBJ FIN NIL ((OBJECTIVE SING 3PS))
      ((PROPERTY)) KIND) )
```

Notice how the features of the subordinate are restricted and how the case 'kind' has been added, the case state of flies is now FIN.

From right to left a merging is possible according to the position and taking objects tests, however there is no prefix state in the case network of TIMELINE, so we abandon the idea of merging in this direction.

(2) For particle 2 with INP3 (time as verb)

From left to right no merging will take place due to wrong positions.

From right to left we have more success. A verb takes objects and they come after the word, so we proceed with the investigation of what case is filled by 'flies'.

example

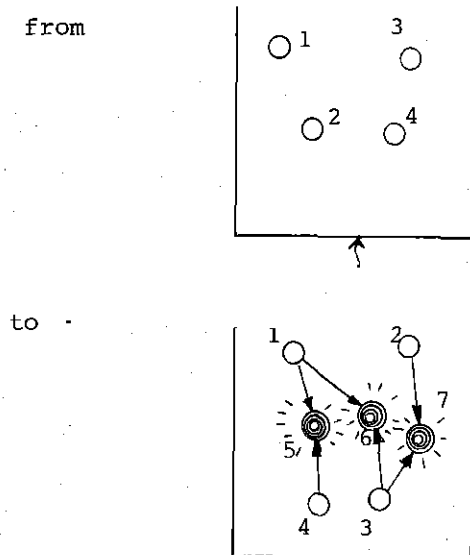
For this purpose we call the semantic network of MEASURE which is the predicate of time, and try to make a transition from the initial state MEAS/1 on the basis of the syntactic feature complex ((OBJECTIVE PLURAL 3PS) (PLURAL 3PS)). The transition is successful and we come in the final state FIN with associated case 'WHAT'. The syntactic features are now restricted to ((OBJECTIVE PLURAL 3PS)). Next we investigate the semantic features. The what case requires (OR THING ANIMATE) and this matches with the feature complex of flies. Hence we may merge the two particles which yields:

particle 7

```
(TIME (INP2 VERB NIL ((PRESENT)) UNDET ))  
  (FLIES (INP3 NOM.OBJ NIL NIL  
         ((OBJECTIVE PLURAL 3PS)) ((ANIMATE)) WHAT))
```

We have now checked all particles of inputpulse 1 against those of inputpulse 2 and obtained some new particles.

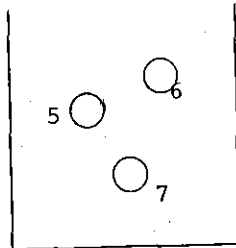
Summary of actions in the state space:



example

Although particle 1,2,3,4 remain in the state space 5,6,7 will be the stronger ones.

So a better representation of the state space at the moment would be:



INPUTPULSE 3 LIKE

#### I. Creation of new particles

First four initial particles are created for each function assigned to 'like' by the lexicon.

particle 8 with configuration:

(LIKE (INP5 CASESI NIL NIL NIL ))

particle 9 with configuration:

(LIKE (INP6 NOM.ATT.ADJ A/1 NIL UNDET))

particle 10 with configuration:

(LIKE (INP7 NOM.ADV.ADJ A/1 NIL ((PRESENT)) UNDET))

particle 11 with configuration

(LIKE (INP8 PREDIC NIL NIL ((PRESENT)) UNDET ))

(Notice that in particle 9 and 10 like does not have a final state )

example

## II. Merging

Again we start with the latest made particle to see whether combinations are possible with previously made particles.

(A) Particle 11 with INP8 (like as verb)

1. Let us confront this particle with particle 7 (time as verb)

Neither from left to right nor from right to left is linking possible. A verb does not relate to a verb and vice-versa.

2. Let us confront particle 11 with particle 6 (with flies as nom.obj and time as nom.obj depending from it)

From left to right no merging will take place because the objects of a verb come after their head and not before it. From right to left a merging is indeed possible on the following grounds:

- the head of a verb, i.e. its subject, comes before it, this is the case, hence the test on order is true,
- a verb agrees with its subject, so we have to perform a syntactic features match between (AND (NOT OBJECTIVE) (XOR PLURAL (AND SING (NOT 3PS))) ) being the features of the verb and ((OBJECTIVE PLURAL 3PS)(PLURAL 3PS)) which is the extension of the features of flies. The match process returns true for the domain ((PLURAL 3PS)). Next we investigate the semantic features via the viewpoint of like (agent) we find that the features of the slot should be ANIMATE; because flies has (( ANIMATE)) this test is again successful and we decide to merge both particles yielding:

particle 12 with configuration:

```
(LIKE (INP8 VERB NIL NIL ((PRESENT)) UNDET)
 (FLIES (INP3 NOM.OBJ FIN NIL ((PLURAL 3PS)) ((ANIMATE)) NIL)
 (TIME (INP1 NOM.OBJ NIL NIL ((OBJECTIVE SING)) ((PROPERTY)) KIND)))
```

example

3. Let us finally confront particle 11 with particle 5  
(INP3 flies as verb on top)

Both from left to right and from right to left no success is obtained because a verb does not link with another one. Notice that if the verb would have been placed structurally under its head, the merging would in principle be considered but the syntactic feature matches would have resulted in false.

(B) Particle 10 with like as nom.adv.adj

1. Particle 10 in relation to particle 7 (with time as verb on top)

From left to right no merging takes place because the position tests are unsuccessful.

From right to left for the word TIME we have more success.

- The head of a nom.adv.adj is a verb and because flies acts here as a verb, this test is successful.

- Moreover the position of a nom.adv.adj is after its head and this is so.

- There is no synt.features match but there is a sem.feattest. The features associated with the viewpoint of like (which is BETWEEN) are (XOR ANIMATE (XOR THING ACT)). In the frame of MOVE the feature act is associated with the SELF-case (nom.adv.adj is a modifier). Hence there is a match.

The new particle (particle 13) has configuration:

```
(TIME (INP2 VERB NIL NIL ((PRESENT)) UNDET)
  (FLIES (INP3 NOM.OBJ FIN NIL ((OBJECTIVE PLURAL 3PS))
    ((ANIMATE )) WHAT)
  (LIKE (INP7 NOM.ADV.ADJ A/1 NIL MOD) ) )
```

(Notice that like is not in a final state yet)

example

(2) Let us confront particle 10 with particle 6

From left to right no test is successful , the objects of a nom.adv.adj come after it and not before.

From right to left is not possible because the head of a nom.adv.adj is another adjunct and not an object.

(3) Finally we confront particle 10 with particle 5  
(flies as verb on top)

From left to right no success is obtained. The head of flies is an object and not an adjunct. From right to left we are successful:

- The head of a nom.adv.adj is a verb and because flies is a verb, this test is successful;
- Moreover the position of a nom.adv.adj is after its head and this is so;
- There is no syntactic features match, but there is a semantic features test: The features associated with the viewpoint of LIKE (which is WHAT) are (XOR ANIMATE (XOR THING ACT )) . In the features of MOVE we have with the SELF-case (note that nom.adv.adj is a modifier) the feature ACT. So this test is true.

To conclude, we construct the new particle , particle 14, with configuration:

```
(FLIES (INP4 VERB NIL NIL ((PRESENT)) UNDET )
  (TIME (INP1 NOM.OBJ NIL NIL ((SING 3PS )) ((THING)) NIL))
  (LIKE (INP7 NOM.ADV.ADJ A/1 NIL MOD)) )
```

(C) We try to expand particle 9 (with like as nom.att.adj)

Again we confront this particle with all particles active before the inputpulse of like came in.

(1) Confrontation with particle 7.

From left to right will not do. The objects of a nom.att.adj come after their head. Now from left to right.

We start by investigating the word flies. Here we are successful:

example

- The head of a nom.att.adj is a nom.obj and this is the case;
- The position is as expected;
- There is no syntactic features test, but there is a semantic features test. We have to see whether 'flies' fills a slot in the frame of like, namely the viewpoint of like which is what. To do so the features (XOR ANIMATE (XOR THING ACT)) must be satisfied. This is the case and we get a new particle: particle 15

particle 15 with configuration:

```
(TIME (INP2 VERB NIL NIL ((PRESENT)) UNDET )
 (FLIES (INP3 NOM.OBJ NIL NIL ((OBJECTIVE PLURAL 3PS))
 ((ANIMATE)) WHAT)
 (LIKE (INP6 NOM.ATT.ADJ A/1 NIL UNDET))))
```

or the word time in particle 7 there is no successful function-of-head test.

(2) Confrontation with particle 6

From left to right no merging will take place because the object of a nom.att.adj should come after 'like'; from right to left we are successful because:

- The head of a nom.att.adjunct is a nom.obj and flies is a nom.obj.
- Moreover the nom.att.adjunct comes after its head and this requirement is fulfilled .
- No syntactic features match is necessary here, but we have a semantic feature match with flies which has the feature ((ANIMATE)). Because the viewpoint of like is between, the features to be satisfied are (XOR ANIMATE (XOR THING ACT)) So the test is successful.

We make a new particle:

particle 16 with configuration:

```
(FLIES (INP3 NOM.OBJ FIN NIL ((OBJECTIVE PLURAL 3PS) (PLURAL 3PS))
 ((ANIMATE)) NIL)
 (TIME (INP1 NOM.OBJ FIN NIL ((OBJECTIVE SING 3PS)) ((PROPERTY)) KIND)
 (LIKE (INP6 NOM.ATT.ADJ A/1 NIL UNDET))))
```



example

(3) Confrontation with particle 5 (flies as verb on top)

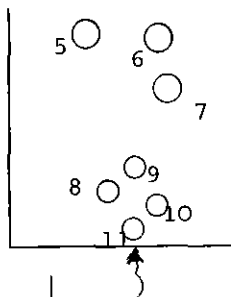
From left to right and from right to left no success is obtained due to the function-of-head tests. A nom.att.adj has as head a nom.obj and not a predicate whereas the head of a predicate is a nom.obj and not a nom.att.adj.

(D) Particle 9 (with INP5, like as case sign)

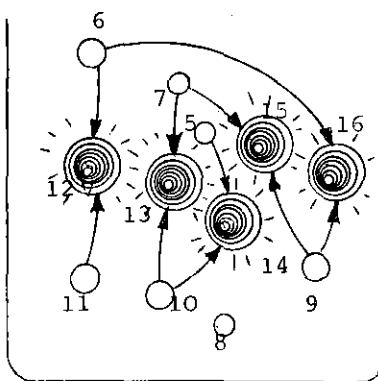
All confrontations with previous particles yield false as the reader can find out for himself. The cause is always the function-of-head test.

The particles resulting from the third input pulse 'like' have caused a strong activity in the state space.

In particular we went from:



to



We will carry on with the most powerful particles in the state space.

example

INPUTPULSE 4 AN

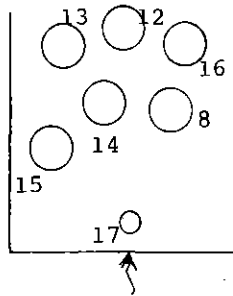
I. New particles

There is only one: particle 17 with configuration

(AN (INP9 DET FIN))

II. Merging

For all particles the tests will be unsuccessful. On the basis of the function-of-head tests and/or order tests, so we are left with the following state space:



INPUTPULSE 5 : ARROW

I. New particles

There is again only one particle: particle 18.

(ARROW (INP10 NOM.OBJ NIL NIL

((OBJECTIVE SING 3PS) (SING 3PS)) ((THING )) NIL))

example

## II. Merging

(A) We try to merge particle 18

(1) With particle 17

Due to one of our principles that you cannot 'hop' over a word, the first job is to merge with particle 17. This is possible from left to right because:

- A determiner makes a transition from the initial state (OBJ/1) associated with the nom.obj 'arrow' which brings us in the network in the state OBJ/2 ;
- moreover the syntactic features match is successful, 'AN' has 'SING' and arrow has ((OBJECTIVE SING)) So there is a match. Also we have to send-through the feature 'UNDEF' which brings us to the new feature complex ((OBJECTIVE SING UNDEF)). No more tests are necessary which brings us to the new particle:

particle 19 with configuration

```
(ARROW (INP10 NOM.OBJ NIL NIL ((OBJECTIVE SING UNDEF) (
      SING UNDEF)) ((THING)) NIL)
      (AN (INP9 DET NIL)) )
```

We now have the opportunity to show what happens if a particle is made and it does not cover the whole input sentence yet. In such a situation a chain reaction can be said to take place: We try to merge with other particles floating around on the border of the range of this particle. The whole process is set in motion again by placing particle 19 on the takslist which is a pushdownstore; this implies that it is the first particle again considered for further combination.

(B) We try to expand particle 19

(1) Let us confront it with particle 8 (like as casesign)

Recall that the latest state associated with nom.obj was OBJ/2 .So we try to make a transition in the network which brings us to the new state OBJ/3. Although there is no syntactic feature match, we have to pass features to the feature complex of the head.

example

This yields particle 20 with configuration

```
(ARROW (INP10 NOM.OBJ NIL NIL ((3PS SING OBJECTIVE UNDEF LIKE))
      ((THING)) NIL)
 (AN (INP9 DET NIL)) (LIKE(INP5 CASESI NIL)) )
```

Notice how the case sign is now in the feature complex of the nom.obj and ready to become active in surface case signal tests. To show this was the reason to incorporate 'like' in this function. No further results with this particle will be obtained.

From right to left there is no merging possible because 'like' (as casesign) takes no objects.

(2) Let us confront particle 19 with particle 16 ('flies' as nom.obj on top)

From left to right the order test and the taking-objects test is true. But we did not include a semantic network for 'flies' and therefore do not investigate the possibility any further.

From right to left we are successful for the word like . Like is a nom.att.adj it takes objects and they come after it. The transition in the sem.netw is also successful. We go from the state SIMIL/1 to the new state FTN with associated case TO for the syntactic feature complex ((3PS OBJECTIVE SING UNDEF)). The sem.features test yields also true and we get a new particle:

particle 21 with configuration:

```
(FLIES (INP3 NOM.OBJ NIL NIL ((OBJECTIVE PLURAL 3PS))
      ((THING )) NIL)
 (TIME (INP1 NOM.OBJ NIL NIL ((OBJECTIVE SING 3PS)) ((PROPERTY)) KIND)
 (LIKE (INP6 NOM.ATT.ADJ FIN NIL UNDET)
 (ARROW (INP10 NOM.OBJ NIL NIL ((3PS SING OBJECTIVE UNDEF))
      ((THING)) TO) (AN (INP9 DET NIL))))))
```

example

Notice how 'like' has entered a final state and how the case has been added.

particle 21 is the first particle which is final in the sense that it covers the whole input sentence .

From right to left no further combinations are possible for the word flies (no transition in sem.netw).

(2 .2) For particle 15

From left to right will not do because a verb comes after the object which is its subject. From right to left there is greater success. Take the word like (function nom.att.adj) It is obvious that on the same basis as for the creation of particle 21 we will be able to link the object to like. Hence we get a new particle:

particle 22 which is again final:

```
(TIME (INP2 VERB NIL NIL ((PRESENT)) UNDET)
  (FLIES (INP3 NOM.OBJ NIL NIL ((OBJECTIVE PLURAL 3PS))
    ((ANIMATE )) WHAT )
    (LIKE (INP6 NOM.ATT.ADJ NIL NIL UNDET)
      (ARROW (INP10 NOM.OBJ NIL NIL ((3PS OBJECTIVE SING UNDEF))
        ((THING)) TO)
        (AN (INP9 DET FIN))))))
```

Still from right to left for the word flies, no linking takes place because there is no transition possible. For the same reason we cannot merge for the word time.

(3) For particle 13.

From left to right no merging takes place because a verb (which is on top of 13) stands after its subject. However from right to left we are again successful. This time for the word 'like'. Again on the same basis as for the two previous particles.

example

The new particle (particle 23) has configuration

```
(FLIES (INP4 VERB NIL NIL ((PRESENT)) UNDET)
  (TIME (INP1 NOM.OBJ NIL NIL ((SING 3PS)) ((THING)) )
  (LIKE (INP7 NOM.ADV.ADJ FIN NIL MOD)
    (ARROW (INP10 NOM.OBJ NIL NIL ((3PS OBJECTIVE SING UNDEF))
      ((THING )) TO)
    (AND (INP9 DET NIL ))))
```

Still from right to left we try to merge for the word 'flies'. This does not work because no transition is possible in the semantic network.

(3.2.) Particle 14.

From left to right will not do because a verb comes after its subject.

From right to left is more successful. Not for the word flies because no transition is possible in the sem. network .

But for the word like, the order test is successful and there is a transition from SIMIL/1 to the new state FIN. The sem.feats test is also successful which leads to a new particle: particle 24 with configuration:

```
(TIME (INP2 VERB NIL NIL ((PRESENT)) UNDET )
  (FLIES (INP3 NOM.OBJ NIL NIL ((OBJECTIVE PLURAL 3PS))
    ((ANIMATE)) WHAT))
  (LIKE (INP7 NOM.ADV.ADJ NIL NIL MOD)
    (ARROW (INP10 NOM.OBJ FIN NIL ((3PS OBJECTIVE SING UNDEF))
      ((THING)) TO) (AN (INP9 DET FIN))))
```

For the word time there is no transition in the semantic network although the ordertest was successful.

example

(4) For particle 12

Here we are successful from right to left (from left to right is not investigated because the top is a verb) . First of all the order test and taking objects test are successful for like, also we can perform a transition in the case frame of ENJOY and the semantic features test is successful. This leads to the following new particle: particle 25:

with configuration

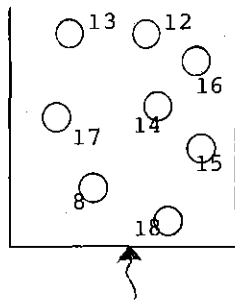
```
(LIKE (INP8 VERB NIL NIL ((PRESENT)) UNDET)
      (FLIES (INP3 NOM.OBJ NIL NIL ((PLURAL 3PS)) ((ANIMATE)) NIL)
      (TIME (INP1 NOM.OBJ NIL NIL ((OBJECTIVE SING 3PS))
            ((PROPERTY)) KIND)))
      (ARROW (INP10 NOM.OBJ FIN NIL ((3PS OBJECTIVE SING UNDEF))
            ((THING )) WHAT ) (AN (INP9 DET FIN ))))
```

(C) It remains to be investigated how particle 19 can be further expanded.

The investigation of this is left to the reader. There will be no successful mergings.

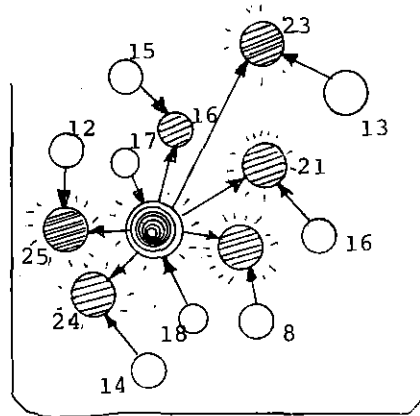
As a summary of actions due to this inputpulse we get:

from

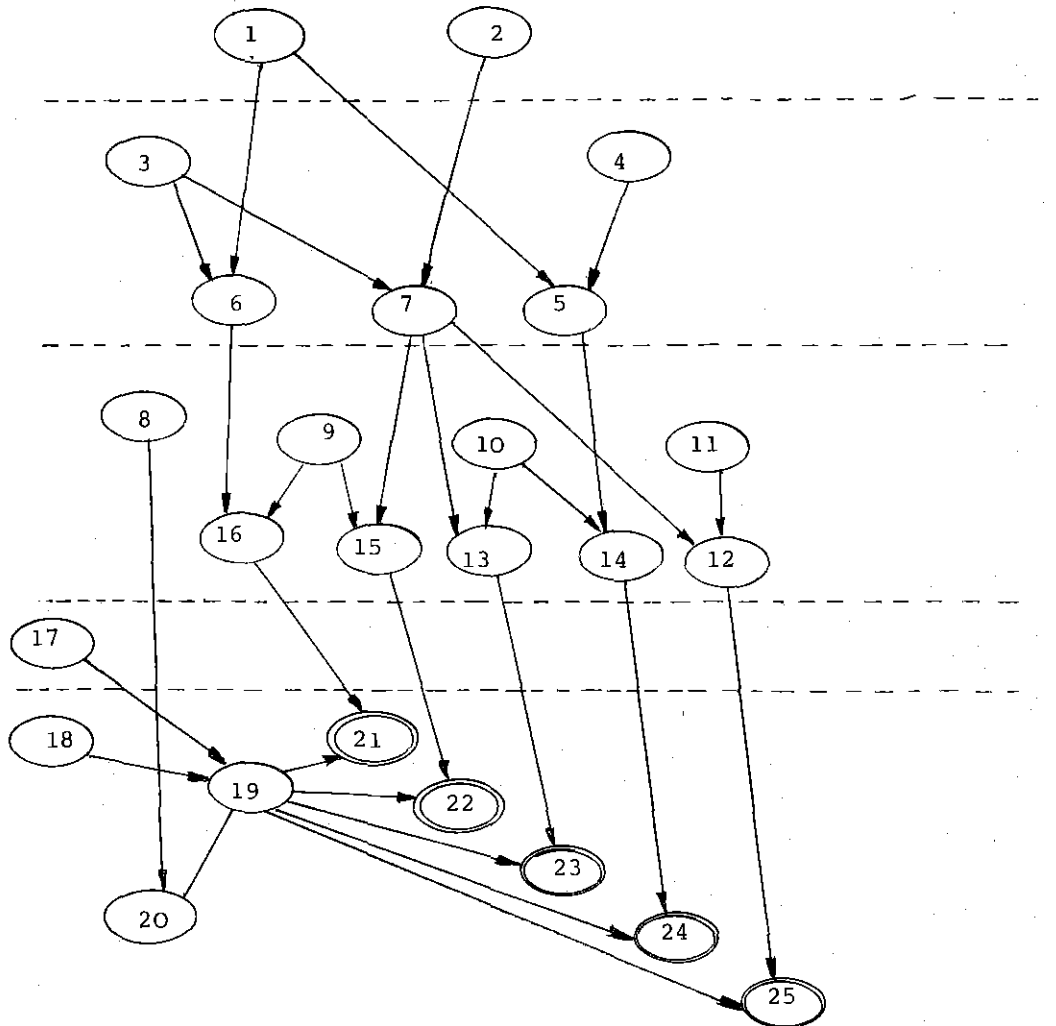


example

to



Here is a summary of all actions on particles that occurred during the analysis of the sentence:



(Final particles have double rings)



structuring

### 2.1.6. The computation of the resulting structures

We now discuss how it is possible to extract from a particle the structures defined earlier. These structures (even the semantic ones) are all auxiliary constructs mainly used for didactic purposes. In principle semantic interpretation can take place immediately on the basis of the information contained in a particle. (Notice how the distinction deep/surface structure disappears).

#### (i) The functional structure

It is possible to extract a functional structure (as defined earlier) from the configuration in a particle by means of the function F-struct:

#### Definition

Let  $a_k = \langle a_{1,k}, a_{2,k}, a_{2+1,k}, \dots, a_{2+j,k} \rangle$   $j \gg 0$

be a configuration with

$a_{2,k} = \langle i_{1,k}, i_{2,k}, \dots \rangle$  an information sequence

then

$(i_{2,k} \ a_{1,k})$  for  $j = 0$

F-struct( $a_k$ ) =

$(i_{2,k} \ (a_{1,k} \ \text{F-struct}(a_{2+1,k}) \ \dots \ \text{F-struct}(a_{2+j,k}))$   
for  $j > 0$

Notice that this yields a list structure which is converted into a tree by the standard conventions.

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(ii) The case structure

It is possible to extract case structures from a particle by means of the following method:

Definition

Let  $a_k = \langle a_{1,k}, a_{2,k}, a_{2+1,k}, \dots, a_{2+j,k} \rangle \quad j \geq 0$

be a configuration

with

$a_{2,k} = \langle i_{1,k}, i_{2,k}, \dots \rangle$  an information sequence

then

(i)  $\langle a_{1,a_{2+i,k}}, a_{1,k} \rangle \in$  case structure

with

$\text{label} (\langle a_{1,a_{2+i,k}}, a_{1,k} \rangle) = i_{7,a_{2+i,k}}$

iff  $i_{2,a_{2+i,k}} \in F\text{-obj} \quad \text{for } 1 \leq i \leq j$

and

(ii)  $\langle a_{1,k}, a_{1,a_{2+i,k}} \rangle \in$  case structure

with

$\text{label} (\langle a_{1,k}, a_{1,a_{2+i,k}} \rangle) = i_{6,k}$

iff  $i_{2,k} \in F\text{-adju} \quad 1 \leq i \leq j$

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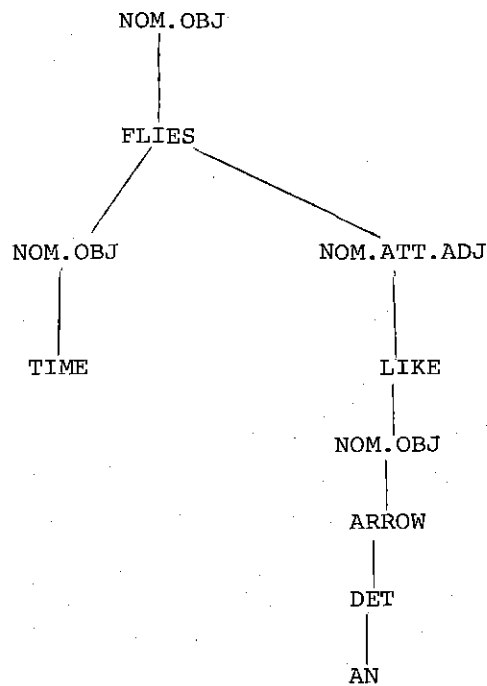
Some examples

We give some particles of the earlier discussed example of the parsing process and present each time the functional and case structure.

For particle 21 with configuration:

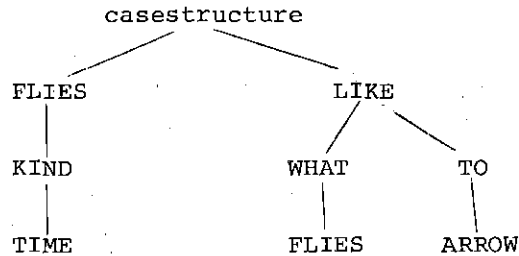
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(FLIES (INP3 NOM.OBJ NIL NIL ((OBJECTIVE PLURAL3PS)) ((THING)) )
 (TIME (INP1 NOM.OBJ NIL NIL ((OBJECTIVE SING 3PS)) ((PROPERTY))
      KIND)
 (LIKE (INP6 NOM.ATT.ADJ FIN NIL UNDET)
 (ARROW (INP10 NOM.OBJ FIN NIL ((3PS OBJECTIVE SING UNDEF))
        ((THING)) TO)
 (AN (INP9 DET NIL)) ) ) )
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functional structure



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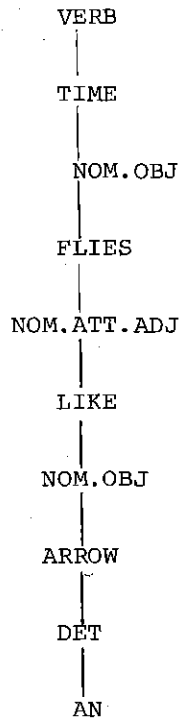
case structure:



For particle 22 with configuration:

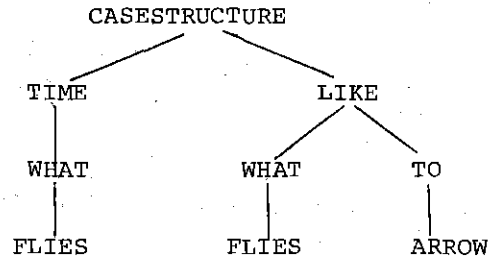
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(TIME (INP2 VERB NIL NIL UNDET ((PRESENT)) UNDET )
 (FLIES (INP3 NOM.OBJ NIL NIL ((OBJECTIVE PLURAL 3PS ))
 ((ANIMATE)) WHAT)
 (LIKE (INP6 NOM.ATT.ADJ NIL NIL UNDET ) )
 (ARROW (INP10 NOM.OBJ FIN NIL ((3PS OBJECTIVE SING UNDEF))
 ((THING)) TO)
 (AN (INP9 DET NIL) ) ))))
```

functional structure:



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case structure:



(iii) Semantic structures

The extraction of the semantic structures in the format of the SRL language is a straightforward process. It works on the basis of a task oriented control structure just as the parser itself.

A task here contains two things (i) a pointer in the structure of the particles, (ii) an attachment point, i.e. a point where the structure resulting from executing the task should be attached in the already obtained semantic structure. This attachment point is in fact a set: a point for if the function of the word in the configuration addressed to by the pointer is of type object, then the attachment point is the list of cases in the head of the object, a point for if the function is of type qualifying adjunct, then the attachment point is the variable node of its head and a point for if the function is of type modifying adjunct, then the point is the predicate structure of its head.

The initial task contains a pointer to the top of the structure; the attachment points are NIL.

The system takes each time the algorithm on top of the tasklist. Then the task is executed according to the following specifications:

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If the word on top of the configuration pointed at in the task is of type object

- (i) create a new object node
- (ii) hang the viewpoint, predicate and subpredicate as specified in the lexicon under the predicate node
- (iii) add features if any
- (iv) construct a new task for all depending nodes
- (v) if the object fills a slot in a case frame, attach the case label and the pointer to the object node in the semantic structure under the node defined in the attachment point.

If the word on top of the configuration pointed at in the task is of type adjunct

- (i) make a viewpoint/predicate/subpredicate frame and hang it under the attachment point indicated in the task
- (ii) add features if any
- (iii) construct new tasks for all depending nodes.

If the word on top of the configuration pointed at in the task is of type functionword

- (i) construct new tasks for all depending nodes.

Extensive examples and detailed descriptions of several semantic structuring processes will be given in the chapter on examples and experimental results.

Notice how the distinction between objects/adjuncts/functionwords which proved to be basic for the formulation of the grammar rules is also fundamental to the semantic structuring process as we have predicted.

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## 2.2. The PRODUCTION PROCESS

In this section we present a short outline of the production process based on the modular grammar theory. We will not present a very detailed model for two reasons (i) the size of the present work would grow out of the envisaged proportions, (ii) the deadline forced us to remain in the presentation here on a rather intuitive level. This does not mean however that the investigation on the production process was not carried out within our general methodological framework (i.e. that computer programs should be constructed to prove the operational capacities of the approach). In fact we worked extensively on a system for producing natural language even before starting out for the parsing problem (results are reported in Steels, 1976); and many important discoveries were made during the investigation of language production rather than recognition.

In particular the idea that grammatical function is one of the basic factors in language functioning (more basic than grammatical category) and the idea of 'viewpoint' as a way to compute surface case frames from abstract case frames and thus to provide an alternative for transformational grammars on this point were both discovered during studies in language production.

By the production of natural language, we do not mean the generation of a sentence from an initial symbol by successively applying the derivation relation on the basis of some generative grammar, but rather the realization of a mapping from information contained in a store into sentences of some natural language.

Although recent work in transformational grammar is more and more approaching the same subject matter, it must be noted that there is a fundamental distinction between generating and producing.

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Generation is a process precisely defined in the theory of formal grammars as an operation over strings (called a derivation) which when applied in sequence as controlled by the rules of the grammar results in one sentence of the language that is to be defined. One of the main features of this concept of generating is that it is uncontrolled, that means if somewhere in the grammar two paths are possible there is no mechanism that tells what path should be followed.

Production is a transduction process and it is assumed that every action that is undertaken finds its final motivation in the intension of the system. In other words a producing system is a goal-directed system, it wants to convey information and uses certain means for that. It follows that to construct a successful producing system we must represent in the grammar the relation between a certain intension and how this intension is made clear to the reader/listener according to conventions agreed upon.

We claim that the modular grammar that was introduced previously contains just the kind of knowledge we will need in order to produce natural language. Even more, while we needed for the parsing process special predicates (the parsing predicates) it turns out that we now can consult the knowledge directly. So, if a modular grammar is biased, it would be as regards production (and not as regards analysis as probably all readers have been thinking).

Intuitive explanations of the model.

Let us again start from the 'particle concept' as used to explicit ate the parsing process. Now the particles will be called tasks because that seems an easier way to capture the ideas we have in mind. There are two sorts of tasks, the first type contains the basic impulse to create language code for a certain piece of semantic information (we call this a taskbuilder task). This task then enters the language production space and is expanded to a sequence of other tasks. The new tasks are of two sorts, either from the first type again,



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i.e. a request for new impulses from the semantic processes, from a second type, the so called lexicalisation tasks. A lexicalisation task contains every information that is necessary to produce one single word. It is handed over to the dictionary routines which produce then the word itself .

The crucial point in the system is of course the moment of taskbuilding. This involves two aspects (i) the scheduling of the tasks and (ii) the determination of what information should be put in a newly formed task. It is performed on the basis of the various knowledge sources already discussed. Each module (or in other words each specialist for a particular part of the language) is asked to contribute in order to accomplish the complex job.

From the explanations it follows that the following points need to be clarified (i) the exact definition of the contents of the tasks; (ii) the control structure for the execution of the tasks and (iii) the process of executing a task.

#### 2.2.1. The tasks

There are two sorts of tasks:

(i) Taskbuilder tasks which contain a pointer to a node in the semantic structure that is to be recoded in a natural language. These tasks constitute the 'stimuli' for the production system to become active.

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#### Definition

A taskbuilder task is a 4-tuple  $\langle a1, a2, a3, a4 \rangle$

with

a1 = the keyword TKB (taskbuilding)

a2 = a pointer to the task which was the immediate source  
for this task

a3 = a pointer to a node in the semantic structure

a4 = a feature complex which is already due to earlier  
processing.

(ii) Lexicalisation tasks which contain all necessary  
information for the dictionary lookup process to do its  
job.

#### Definition

A lexicalisation task is a 6-tuple  $\langle a1, a2, a3, a4, a5, a6 \rangle$

with

a1 = the keyword LEX

a2 = the function of the word

a3 = the predicate

a4 = the subpredicate

a5 = the viewpoint

a6 = the feature complex(es)

No other sorts of intermediate representation constructs  
will be used. In other words everything else is in the  
process defined upon the tasks.

#### 2.2.2. The process

Ideally a producing system should be able to reason about  
language in a similar fashion as the parsing system  
discussed in previous section did. Such a reasoning process  
could again be organized in a nondeterministic process by organizing  
particles which cover a whole sentence. (Cf. hints in this  
direction when discussing the transduction relation for completion  
networks).

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In the simpler account given here we assume that the process of language production is straight forward and probably the more we learn about language the more it will turn out to be very strongly determined how a sentence should be produced in view of certain meaning, context, situation, etc.

As regards the control structure of the system we need the following:

(i) a store on which tasks are placed in a last in first out manner

(ii) a function which takes one task and sends it either to the taskbuilder (if it is a taskbuilder task) or the dictionary specialist (if it is a lexicalization task). If there are no tasks left the sentence is complete.

Let us now provide some more detail on the taskbuilder and the dictionary specialist.

(a) The taskbuilder

-i- The computation of the factors

The first assumption underlying the operation of the system is that one can compute on the basis of the semantic structures what the grammatical function of a predicate in the structure will be. This is the exact reverse of the semantic structuring process discussed before. There we saw that a particular grammatical function implies a particular sort of semantic structure. Now we reverse this relation: a particular semantic structure implies a particular grammatical function.

Obviously this relation (and its reverse) are strongly depending on the type of grammatical functions that the linguist designing an empirical interpretation for a particular natural language wants to use.

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A second assumption is that it is possible to compute the viewpoint. When a TKB-task is resulting from a previous TKB-task this viewpoint is the semantic relation holding between the two nodes in the respective TKB tasks. When the TKB task contains an object (as happens most of the time for the first task) the viewpoint is the relation between the predicate used to introduce the object and the entity node itself.

If there are some more factors introduced in the grammar later on, they should also be computable on before hand.

-ii - The scheduling of the other tasks

Once it is known what the function of the predicate pointed at in the task is, we have access to the grammar (i.e. to all rules with factor function/case, to the synt. networks, to the case networks, etc;)

The first question the system now asks is what other information in relation to the predicate in the current TKB-task should be communicated.

A list is made of these information tuples and then the list is split in two parts. One containing tasks to be scheduled before the present task and other tasks to be scheduled after it, and each sublist is internally ordered. This scheduling process is performed on the basis of the networks (recall here the transduction relation defined in relation to the completion networks) and the rules on order. Because the respective tasklists (before/after) are used as pushdownstores, we obtain the right paths in the networks.

-iii- sending through information

Although the newly made tasks may be other TKB tasks, normally information is sent through to the new tasks in the form of features. (For TKB-tasks in the fourth position). E.g. when going through a case network specification (AND BY OBJECTIVE) may be obtained as side effect of a transition in the network for a particular case (cf. government rules). This feature is sent to the new task introducing that object.

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When performing the taskbuilder actions for the task of the object, we will introduce a functionword 'casesign' for the by feature, etc;.

-iv- Lexicalization tasks

When every job has been performed in relation to the TKB task under investigation by the taskbuilder, this task is turned into a lexicalisation task itself, i.e. all relevant information is grouped according to the format specified. Then all tasks made are placed on the main tasklist and the system starts investigating the first task on top of this list.

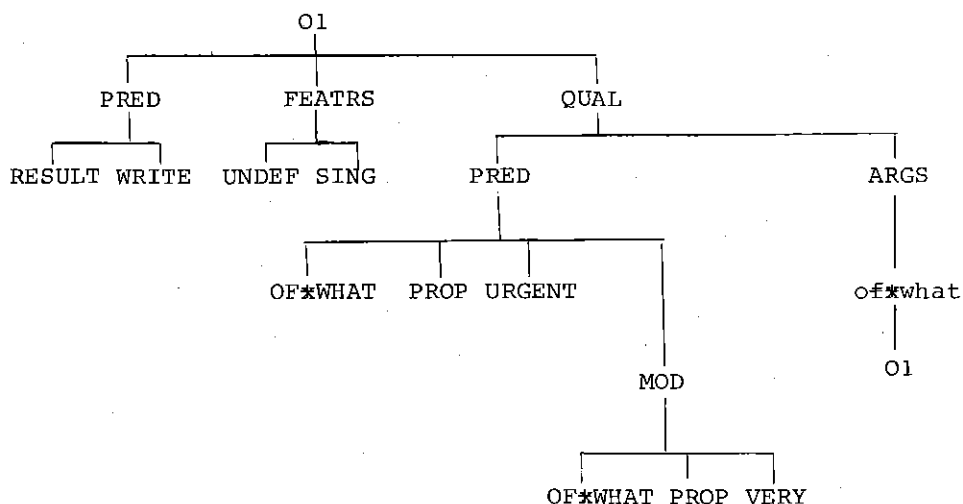
(b) The dictionary specialist.

The dictionary specialist scans the dictionary in reverse mode. Earlier we had a word and from this we searched for the information tuples related to this word. Now we go the reverse way. To optimize the process, we have pointers from each (concrete) predicate to all relevant words and further to all subsets of a given function. The rest of the search is performed by the match processes of the feature calculus which work in both directions anyway.

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### 2.2.3. Example

Let us now give a short example of a production process for the example phrase "A very urgent letter", in other words we realize one piece of the semantic structure in particular:



#### STEP 1

First we make the initialization task pointing to the O1 node itself:

1. <TKB ,  $\emptyset$ , O1, NIL >

#### STEP 2

The first job in the execution of this task consists in computing the function, the predicate and the viewpoint. The answers are straightforward: function: nom.obj (because we have an entity introduced by a predicate), pred: write, viewpoint: result.

Next we make a list of depending information items: features and qualifiers. For each of these items we investigate possible functions, yielding determiner for feature undef and att.adjunct for qualifier with predicate PROP (because it is in adjunct of a nom.obj).

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Investigating the networks and the order rules in the grammar we find that a tasklist of items 'before' contains the determiner and the qualifier with predicate urgent.

The next step is to construct a lexicalization task for the nom.obj its f. All these tasks are then put on the tasklist and we get:

- 3 . <LEX, DETERM, NIL, NIL , NIL , ((UNDEF))>
2. <TKB, 2, QUAL, NIL>
1. <LEX,NOM.OBJ , WRIT, NIL, RESULT, ((SING))>

(Notice that for functionwords the lexicalisation task could be made immediately)

#### STEP 3

Now we proceed by investigating the first task on the tasklist. This task is a lexicalisation task. So we go into the dictionary and we find there the word 'a'. The remaining tasklist now looks as follows:

2. <TKB , 2, QUAL, NIL >
1. <LEX, NOM.OBJ, WRIT, NIL, RESULT, ((SING)) >

#### STEP 4

The next task is again a taskbuilding task. We make a list of depending terms. This contains one modifier, for predicate PROP, The function of this modifier is adv.adj (modifier of an att.adj). We know from the grammar that an adv.adj comes before its att.adj Hence we put the task to realize the modifier node on the 'before' list. As there are no other items, we construct a lexicalisation task for the predicate in this task. As final result we get:

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3. <TKB , 4, MOD, NIL>
2. <LEX , ATT.ADJ, PROP, URGENT, OF\*WHAT , NIL >
1. <LEX, NOM.OBJ , WRIT, NIL, RESULT, ((SING))>

#### STEP 5

The task on top is a taskbuilder task. We look into the structure but we don't see any depending nodes. Therefore the only thing necessary is to construct a lexicalisation task for the modifier. The function is adv.adj; the predicate PROP and the viewpoint OF\*WHAT

Resulting tasklist:

3. <LEX, ADV.ADJ , PROP, VERY, OF\*WHAT >
2. <LEX, ATT.ADJ , PROP, URGENT, OF\*WHAT >
1. <LEX, NOM.OBJ , WRIT, NIL, RESULT ((SING))>

#### STEP 6

We execute the remaining lexicalisation task which yields as output 'A VERY URGENT LETTER'.



### § 3. THE IMPLEMENTATION

*In this chapter we present the details of the computer implementation we have constructed for the parser discussed in the previous chapter. In a first section we introduce a number of auxiliary routines which together constitute a library for list processing in FORTRAN IV. In a second section we come to the implementation of the parser itself.*

*In a final section we give the routines which compute the functional, case and semantic structure out of final particles as computed by the parser.*

## § 3. THE IMPLEMENTATION

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3.2. The implementation of the parser

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3.2.2. The parser

3.3. The computation of the structures

### 3.1. INTRODUCTION TO THE IMPLEMENTATION

The programming language FORTRAN IV will be used here as the formal language for the representation of the algorithms. To computational linguists this may come as a surprise. It is well known that FORTRAN IV is a very 'tough' language for linguistic applications: no list processing, no easy symbol manipulation, no recursive programming. The reason for taking FORTRAN was simply that at the time the investigations started, no other language was available on the PDP 11/45 we are using in our laboratory. Although we later on managed to implement a LISP interpreter system, the working space of this interpreter soon proved to small for the kind of programs we will be discussing.

This restrictedness of memory (32 K) was a second major decision factor in favour of FORTRAN. It is necessary to write highly efficient programs, especially as regards memory requirements, on such a small machine as a PDP 11/45.

The choice (or rather necessity) for using FORTRAN has the advantage that the programs will be understandable by a large group because FORTRAN IV is the most widespread programming language. Also, the programs can be implemented all over the world because FORTRAN is available in practically every computer centre.

The first thing necessary however to be able to use FORTRAN successfully for linguistic applications is the implementation of a number of functions and subroutines which complement FORTRAN with list processing capacity. The discussion of these functions and subroutines is the purpose of this introduction

#### (1) List processing in FORTRAN IV.

List processing involves a way of representing internally in the machine all the information about lists and about the atoms contained in them. Also we need ways to input and output lists and atoms and to perform operations on lists. The first question we deal with is the representation problem.

list representation

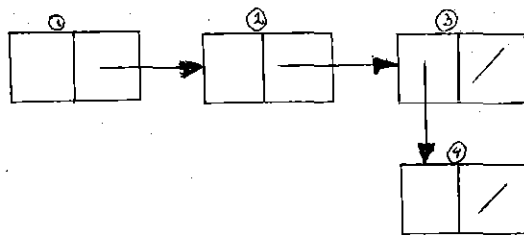
### Representation

A list is a number of cells linked on each other by means of pointers. It follows that we need a way to represent the cells and to represent the pointers. A cell contains three parts the atomflag (AF), a place to store the car of the cell (CAR), and a place for the cdr of a cell (CDR).

If we now organize three vectors, respectively called AF, CAR, CDR and let the parameters of the vectors be the address of the cell then we have not only a way to represent a cell I (by a triple AF(I), CAR(I), and CDR(I)) but also a way to point at cells, namely by the parameter: I. In addition we can address each part of the cell separately.

Example:

The list (A B ( C ) ) is graphically:



then the FORTRAN representation will be

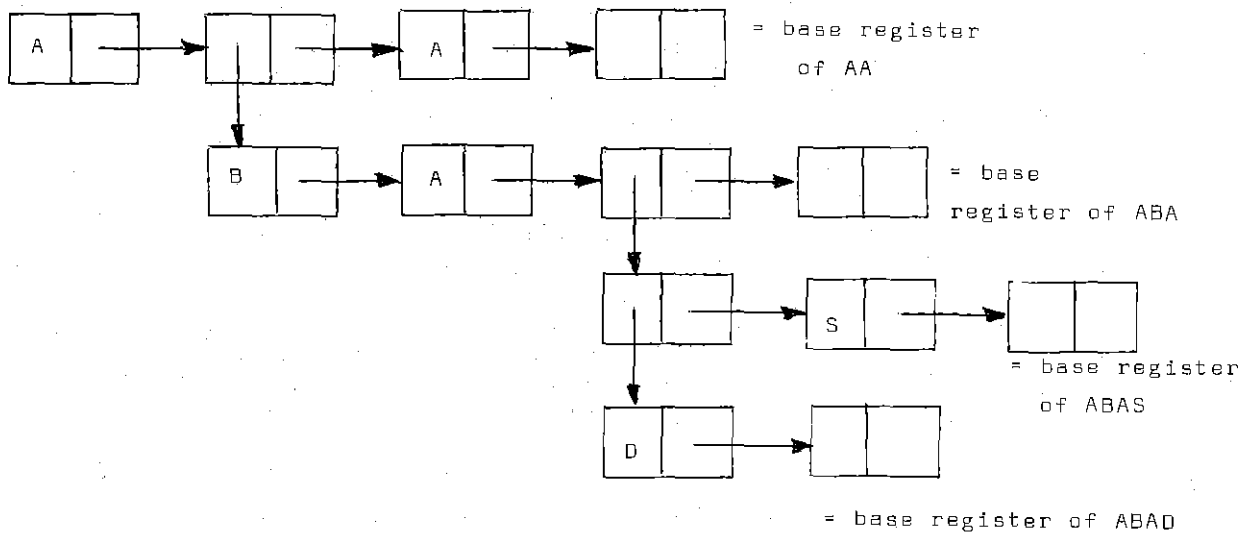
	AF	CAR	CDR
1.	∅	A	2
2.	∅	B	3
3.	∅	4	∅
4.	∅	C	∅

Note that the representation of NIL (the null list) is ∅.

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Now for atoms we need (i) a dictionary in which the atoms are stored, (ii) a base register, i.e. a unique cell that will be used as unique address of the atom and (iii) a property list on which at least the printname is stored.

For the dictionary we will also use a list structure, based on the principle that equal front parts are stored only once. E.g. the atoms AA, ABA, ABAS, ABAD are stored in a structure with in the cars single characters:



Notice that on each end of a path there hangs the base register of the atom made up by the characters of that path. The calls in the dictionary structure and all base registers have 1 in the atomflag (AF) of the cell. All the others have  $\emptyset$ . This is needed to keep both types strictly apart.

The property list is a special list of pairs (property, value) which is stored in a condensed form. The property list hangs on the CDR of the base register of the atom. The first item is always a pointer to the printname of the atom. After that comes a special list of cells where the CAR contains the property and the CDR the value.

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So a complete FORTRAN representation (except for the dictionary) for the list (A B ( C ) ) would be

	AF	CAR	CDR	
1.	Ø	5	2	
2.	Ø	6	3	
3.	Ø	4	Ø	
4.	Ø	7	Ø	
5.	1	Ø	8	= base register of A
6.	1	Ø	1Ø	= base register of B
7.	1	Ø	12	= base register of C
8.	Ø	9	Ø	property list of A
9.	A	Ø	Ø	printname of A
10.	Ø	11	Ø	property list of B
11.	B	Ø	Ø	printname of B
12.	Ø	13	Ø	property list of C
13.	C	Ø	Ø	printname of C

In the current implementation we have 3000 cells available. The AF is declared LOGICAL\*1 data type and the CAR and CDR as INTEGER\*2 . All three vectors are placed in a commonzone.

Note that as a consequence of these options all pointers either to lists or to atoms are of INTEGER\*2 data type !

With this representation in mind, we can now turn to the routines which perform the input/output and processing.

### Processing

In a list processing system there is normally a so called freelist created at the start. When in need of a piece of list structured memory, one takes 'cells' from this freelist and when these cells are no longer needed, they are returned to the freelist. The creation of this freelist is the task of a special subroutine INIT. After this subroutine is called, the system is ready to start.

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The pointer to the freelist is called IFREE and available in a commonzone called /IFREE/.

Next we need a routine for input (RLIST) and one for output (PRLIST). In addition we have a program to plot automatically tree structures on the plotter. PLOTLI is the preparation of this program.

For doing list processing, we have a routine for taking cells from the freelist (NEW) and one for returning them (BACK).

Lists are copied by COPY and erased by ERASE.

A pushdownstore can be simulated by using the routines PUSH and POPUP.

Work on the property list is performed by PROP and GET.

Routines which hang new list structures on already existing ones are ADD, APPEND, and ATTACH.

To check whether we are dealing with a list or an atom, we use the predicate ATOM and LIST.

All routines are grouped together in a library called the FORLI.OLB library.

Before we start a discussion of the routines in detail, we give a detailed example of the operation of one single subroutine. This may help the reader in reading and understanding the other ones. Let us consider the subroutine APPEND (see first its definition on one of the following pages). We consider APPEND in connection with the following main program:

1. IMPLICIT INTEGER (A-W)
2. LOGICAL\*1 AF
3. COMMON CAR(3000),CDR(3000),AF(3000)

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4.  I1 = RLIST (1,I,1)
5.  I2 = RLIST (I,I,1)
6.  CALL APPEND (I1,I2,J)
7.  CALL APPEND (J,I2,J)
8.  CALL PRLIST(I1,1,6)
9.  END
```

What happens in this little program is this. First we read a list from a device with logical unit number 1 (e.g. the card reader) starting with the first character on the card. The list is pointed at by I1.

Then the system reads another list (or an atom) on the same line and sets a pointer I2 to it. By calling two times APPEND we then add the second one two times to the first one.

E.g. if we read I1 = (A) and I2 = B then after the first APPEND we get (A B) and after the second (A B B). The result is printed by PRLIST on a device with logical unit number 6 and from the first item on the next output line.

Now let us trace exactly what happens in APPEND. Given (hypothetically) the following (simplified) FORTRAN representation after RLIST (in line 3) of main program):

	CAR	CDR	
1.	A	∅	= I1
2.	∅	3	= beginning of freelist
3.	∅	4	
		⋮	

Notice that we leave out AF indicators for simplicity.

Now we enter APPEND with I1 = 1, I2 = B and I3 undefined. IFREE = 2.

First we take a new cell from the freelist. CDR(1) becomes 2 (line 6) put I2 in its car: CAR(2) becomes B (line 7), note the provision for exhausting the memory in line 8, I3 = 2 (line 9), IFREE (equal to 2) is advanced to CDR(2) = 3 in line 10 and finally CDR(2) = ∅. This yields:



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	CAR	CDR	
1.	A	2	= I1
2.	B	0	= J,I3
3.	0	4	freelist
4.	0	5	
		⋮	

Then we enter APPEND again with I1 = 2, I2 = B, I3 yet irrelevant and IFREE (in the commonzone) is 3.

First we take a new cell from the freelist CDR(2) = 3 (line 6), put I2 in the CAR(3) = B (line 7); set I3 equal to the new cell I3 = 3 and advance IFREE = CDR(3) = 4.

Finally CDR(3) = 0.

This yields:

	CAR	CDR	
1.	A	2	I1
2.	B	3	
3.	B	∅	
4.	∅	5	= freelist
5.	∅	6	
		⋮	

From this example it should be obvious what complicated list processing activities are going on in the computer when we come to serious programs such as a parsing system for example. To trace the analysis of one sentence in the detail just provided is an almost impossible thing to do.

Now we discuss the routines that make up the library and thus form the groundwork for the further implementations. The routines are appearing in alphabetic order.

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ADD

parameters: I2, I1.

I1 is a list and I2 is an atom or a linear list of atoms.

operation: After execution of ADD, each atom of I2 is added to I1 if and only if it is not present yet.

example: Let I2 = ( C B A ) and I1 be ( A B C ) then after CALL ADD(I2,I1) I1 will be ( A B C ).

Let I1 = ( A B C ) and I2 = ( D E F ) then after CALL ADD (I2, I1) I1 will be ( A B C D E F )

code:

```
0001      SUBROUTINE ADD (I2,I1)
0002      IMPLICIT INTEGER (A-W)
0003      LOGICAL*1 AF
0004      COMMON CAR(3000),CDR(3000),AF(3000)
0005      NIL = 0
0006      IF(I2.EQ.0) RETURN
0007      FLAG = 0
0008      IF(AF(I2),NE.1) GOTO 1
0009      L = I2
0010      5  J = I1
0011      2  IF(CAR(J),EQ.L) GOTO 4
0012      IF(CDR(J),EQ.0) GOTO 3
0013      J = CDR(J)
0014      GOTO 2
0015      3  CALL NEW(I)
0016      CDR(J) = I
0017      CAR(I) = L
0018      GOTO 4
0019      1  FLAG = 1
0020      K = I2
0021      L = CAR(K)
0022      GOTO 5
0023      4  IF(FLAG,EQ.0) RETURN
0024      IF(CDR(K),EQ.0) RETURN
0025      K = CDR(K)
0026      L = CAR(K)
0027      GOTO 5
0028      END
```

list processing

ATOM

parameters: I1 an atom or a list

operation: ATOM checks whether I1 is a list or an atom and returns a truthvalue indicating that.  
ATOM should be declared LOGICAL in the program calling it.  
NIL is considered to be a list.

code:

```
0001      LOGICAL FUNCTION ATOM (I1)  
0002      IMPLICIT INTEGER (A-W)  
0003      LOGICAL .I. AF  
0004      COMMON /AF(3000),CDB(3000),AF(3000)  
0005      ATOM = .FALSE.  
0006      IF(AF(I1),ERR.1) ATOM = .TRUE.  
0008      END
```

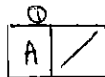
list processing

## APPEND

parameters: I1, I2, I3 with I1 a pointer to a cell in a list  
I2 an atom or a list, I3 a pointer to another cell  
in a list.

operation: APPEND creates a new cell pointed at by I3, hangs it  
on the CDR of I1 and puts I2 in the CAR of the new  
cell.

example: Given



I2 = B and I1 = 1

then after APPEND (I1, I2, I3)



with I3 = 2

code:

```
0001      SUBROUTINE APPEND(I1,I2,I3)
0002      IMPLICIT INTEGER (A-W)
0003      LOGICAL*1 AF
0004      COMMON CAP(3000),CDR(3000),AF(3000)
0005      COMMON /IFREE/ IFREE
0006      CDR(I1) = IFREE
0007      CAP(IFREE) = I2
0008      IF (IFREE.EQ.3500) GOTO 1
0010      IX = IFREE
0011      IFREE = CDR(IFREE)
0012      CDR(I3) = IX
0013      RETURN
0014      1  WRITE(6,2)
0015      2  FORMAT (1X, 'STORAGE EXHAUSTED IN APPEND')
0016      CALL EXIT
0017      END
```

list processing

## ATTACH

parameters: I2, I1 with I2 a list and I1 a list

operation: After the execution of ATTACH, a copy of all elements of I2 is added to I1. I2 remains available for further processing afterwards.

code:

```
0001      SUBROUTINE ATTACH (I2,I1)
0002      IMPLICIT INTEGER (A-W)
0003      LOGICAL*1 AF
0004      COMMON CAR(3000),CDR(3000),AF(3000)
0005      NIL = 0
0006      IF (I2.EQ.0) RETURN
0008      J = I1
0009      C GOTO END OF LIST
0010      2   IF (CDR(J).EQ.NIL) GOTO 1
0011      J = CDR(J)
0012      GOTO 2
0013      1   K = I2
0014      IF (AF(I2).EQ.1) GOTO 5
0015      C ATTACH LIST
0016      3   IF (K.EQ.NIL) GOTO 4
0017      IF (CAR(K).EQ.NIL) GOTO 6
0018      CALL NEW(L)
0019      CDR(J) = L
0020      J = L
0021      CAR(J) = CAR(K)
0022      K = CDR(K)
0023      GOTO 3
0024      6   CDR(J) = NIL
0025      RETURN
0026      C ATTACH ATOM
0027      5   CALL NEW(K)
0028      CDR(J) = K
0029      CAR(K) = I2
0030      RETURN
0031      END
0032
```

list processing

BACK

parameters: I, a list

operation: BACK returns one cell pointed at by I to the freelist. It is not allowed to use NIL as a parameter of BACK (this is usually the sign of a severe error in list processing). If so, the error message "NIL IN BACK" is issued and processing continues.

code:

```
0001      SUBROUTINE BACK(I)
0002      IMPLICIT INTEGER (A-Z)
0003      LOGICAL*1 AF
0004      COMMON /CAR(3000),COR(3000),AF(3000)
0005      COMMON /IFREE/ IFREE
0006      C THE SUBROUTINE BACK RETURNS ONE CELL TO THE FREELIST
0007      IF(I.EQ.0) GOTO 10
0008      COR(I) = IFREE
0009      CAR(I) = 0
0010      AF(I) = 0
0011      IFREE = I
0012      I = 0
0013      RETURN
0014 10  WRITE(6,11)
0015 11  FORMAT (1X, 'NIL IN BACK')
0016      END
```

list processing

COPY

parameters: I, a list

operation: COPY creates a new list structure equivalent to I  
and returns it as a value of COPY.

code:

```
0001      INTEGER FUNCTION COPY(I)
0002      IMPLICIT INTEGER (A-W)
0003      LOGICAL*1 AF
0004      COMMON CAR(3000),CDR(3000),AF(3000)
0005      COPY = I
0006      IF(I.EQ.0) RETURN
0008      IF(AF(I).EQ.1) RETURN
0010      J = I
0011      CALL NEW(PDS)
0012      CALL NEW(PD2)
0013      CALL NEW(COPY)
0014      ICO = COPY
0015      1  IF(AF(CAR(J)).EQ.1) GOTO 2
0017      IF(CAR(J).EQ.0) GOTO 2
0019      CALL NEW(K)
0020      CAR(ICO) = K
0021      CALL PUSH(ICO,PD2)
0022      CALL PUSH(J,PDS)
0023      ICO = CAR(ICO)
0024      J = CAR(J)
0025      GOTO 1
0026      2  CAR(ICO) = CAR(J)
0027      J = CDR(J)
0028      IF(J.EQ.0) GOTO 3
0030      CALL APPEND (ICO,0,ICO)
0031      GOTO 1
0032      3  CALL POPUP(ICO,PD2)
0033      CALL POPUP(J,PDS)
0034      IF(J.EQ.0) RETURN
0036      J = CDR(J)
0037      IF(J.EQ.0) GOTO 3
0039      CALL APPEND (ICO,0,ICO)
0040      GOTO 1
0041      END
```

list processing

ELEM

parameters: I1, I2 an atom and a list respectively

operation:

ELEM checks whether the atom addressed by I1 is in the list addressed by I2, if so the result is set to 1, else to 0.

```
0001      INTEGER FUNCTION ELEM(I1,IP)
0002      IMPLICIT INTEGER (A-W)
0003      LOGICAL*1 AF
0004      COMMON CAR(3000),CDR(3000),AF(3000)
0005      ELEM = 0
0006      I3 = I2
0007      IF(AF(I1).EQ.1) GOTO 1
0008      WRITE(6,2)
0009      2      FORMAT (1X, 'FIRST ARGUMENT OF ELEM SHOULD BE ATOM')
0010      RETURN
0011      IF(AF(I3).EQ.1) GOTO 4
0012      1      IF(I3.EQ.0) RETURN
0013      5      IF(CAR(I3).EQ.I1) GOTO 3
0014      IF(CAR(I3).EQ.0) GOTO 3
0015      I3 = CDR(I3)
0016      GOTO 5
0017      IF(I3.NE.1) RETURN
0018      4      ELEM = 1
0019      RETURN
0020      3      ELEM = 1
0021      RETURN
0022      END
0023
0024
```



list processing

ERASE

parameters: I1 a list

operation: ERASE removes all cells used to represent a list structure and returns them to the freelist; atoms appearing in the list structure are not removed.

code:

```
0001      SUBROUTINE ERASE (I1)
0002      IMPLICIT INTEGER (A-W)
0003      LOGICAL *1 AF
0004      COMMON CAR(3000),COR(3000),AF(3000)
0005      COMMON /IFREE/ IFREE
0006      NIL = 0
0007      C "ERASE" REMOVES ALL CELLS USED TO REPRESENT A LIST STRUCTURE AND RETURNS
0008      C THEM TO THE FREELIST. MOREOVER ATOMS APPEARING IN THE LIST STRUCTURE ARE
0009      C NOT REMOVED
0010      IF (AF(I1).EQ.1) RETURN
0011      IF (I1.EQ.0) RETURN
0012      CALL NEW(PDS)
0013      IF (I1.EQ.0) GOTO 1
0014      IF ((AF(CAR(I1)).EQ.1).OR.(CAR(I1).EQ.0)) GOTO 2
0015      CALL PUSH(I1,PDS)
0016      I1 = CAR(I1)
0017      GOTO 3
0018      2
0019      J = I1
0020      J1 = COR(I1)
0021      COR(I) = IFREE
0022      CAR(I) = 0
0023      AF(I) = 0
0024      IFREE = I
0025      GOTO 3
0026      1
0027      CALL POPUP(I1,PDS)
0028      IF (I1.EQ.NIL) RETURN
0029      GOTO 2
0030      END
```

list processing

GET

parameters: I1, I2, I3, with I1 an atom, I2 an atom, I3 an atom or a list.

operation: GET returns the value I3 of the property I2 on the property list of the atom I1.

If I1 is not an atom, an error message is produced: "FIRST ARGUMENT OF GET SHOULD BE ATOM". If the property I2 is not on the propertylist of I3, I3 is set to NIL.

code:

```
0001      SUBROUTINE GET (I1,I2,I3)
0002      IMPLICIT INTEGER (A-W)
0003      LOGICAL*4 AF
0004      COMMON CAR(3000),CDR(3000),AF(3000)
0005      C CHECK WHETHER THE PROPERTY IS ALREADY THERE
0006      NIL = 0
0007      IF(AF(I1),EQ,1) GOTO 50
0008      WRITE(5,25)
0009      25  FORMAT (1X, 'FIRST ARGUMENT OF GET SHOULD BE ATOM')
0010      CALL EXIT
0011      50  J1 = I1
0012      J1 = CDR(J1)
0013      100 IF(CDR(J1).EQ,NIL) GOTO 10
0014      J1 = CDR(J1)
0015      IF(CAR(CDR(J1)).NE,J2) GOTO 100
0016      C IT IS THERE
0017      200 I3 = CDR(CAR(J1))
0018      RETURN
0019      C IT IS NOT THERE
0020      10  I3 = 0
0021      RETURN
0022      END
```

list processing

INIT

parameters: none

operation: INIT is called at the start of any program using the FORLI library. It creates the freelist by linking the CDR cells to the next cell.

code:

```
0001      SUBROUTINE INIT
0002      C THE SUBROUTINE INIT CREATES THE FREELIST
0003      IMPLICIT INTEGER (A-W)
0004      LOGICAL*4 AF
0005      COMMON CDR(3000),CDR(3000),AF(3000)
0006      COMMON /IFREE/ IFREE
0007      C CREATE FREELIST
0008      DO 1 I = 1,1500
0009      AF(I) = 0
0010      CDR(I) = I+1
0011      J = I +1500
0012      AF(J) = 0
0013      CDR(J) = 0
0014      DO 2 I=1,4
0015      CDR(I) = 0
0016      IFREE = 5
0017      RETURN
0018      END
```

list processing

## INPUT

parameters: IBUF, JZ, DEV

operation: INPUT is an auxiliary subroutine for the read-routines. It consumes one piece of input for the inputdevice (DEV) starting from the IBUF-th character on the input line. A new inputline is read when necessary. INPUT returns in JZ a special code if the piece of input is a punctuation mark, else JZ is the base register of an atom. INPUT constructs the necessary bookkeeping cells for atoms if the atom is a new one. INPUT calls SCAN to decode the characters and LOOKUP to consult the atom dictionary.

code:

```
0001      SUBROUTINE INPUT(IBUF,JZ,DEV)
0002      IMPLICIT INTEGER (A-W)
0003      LOGICAL*4 AF
0004      INTEGER ISTR(30),SCAN
0005      LOGICAL*4 STRIN
0006      LOGICAL*4 ALF(56)
0007      COMMON /AF/ (3000),COR(3000),AF(3000)
0008      COMMON /PRIN/ IPRIN,BLANK,FIRST
0009      COMMON /STRIN/ STRIN(80)
0010      DATA ILEN/80/
0011      NIL = 0

C
C 1) CONTROL
C READ NEW BUFFER IF OLD ONE IS EXHAUSTED
0012      1      IF (IBUF.LT.ILEN) GOTO 2
0014      20     IF (DEV.NE.0) READ(DEV,3,END=20) (STRIN(I),I=1,ILEN)
0016      IF (DEV.EQ.0) CALL IN
0018      3      FORMAT (80A1)
0019      IF (IPRIN .EQ.1) WRITE(6,6) (STRIN(I),I=1,ILEN)
0021      6      FORMAT (1X, 80A1)
0022      IF (STRIN(1).EQ.ALF(42)) GOTO 20
0024      IBUF = 0
0025      2      IBUF = IBUF + 1
0026      IF (STRIN(IBUF).EQ.ALF(1)) GOTO 1
```

list processing

```
C DECODE CHARACTER
0028     J = SCAN(IRUF)
C     SEND TO VARIOUS SUBPARTS
0029     IF(J.GT.3) GOTO 4
C     PUNCTUATION
0031     JZ = -J
0032     RETURN

C
C 2) ATOMS
C (A) CHECK FOR NIL
0033 4     IF(J.NE.19) GOTO 12
0035     IF(STRIN(IRUF+1).NE.AL(6))GOTO 12
0037     IF(STRIN(IRUF+2).NE.AL(17))GOTO 12
0039     IJ = SCAN(IRUF+3)
0040     IF(IJ.GE.4) GOTO 12
0042     JZ = 0
0043     IRUF = IRUF +2
0044     RETURN

C (B) ATOMS AND NUMBERS
C PREPARE FOR STORING THE CODED ATOM AND CREATE A NEW CELL (IZ) FOR CONSULTING
C THE DICTIONARY ALSO COMPUTE THE BEGINPOINT OF THE DICTIONARY
0045 12     K = 1
0046     ISTR(K) = J
0047     CALL NEW(IZ)
0048     ID = (J/10)+1
C LOOKUP BY STORING THE CODE IN IZ AND CALLING THE LOOKUP SUBROUTINE
0049     CDR(IZ) = 0
0050 8     CAR(IZ) = J
0051     AF(IZ) = 1
0052     CALL LOOKUP(16,IZ,JZ)
0053     IF(JZ.EQ.0) GOTO 18
C IF NECESSARY READ NEW BUFFER FOR NEXT CHARACTER
0055     IF(IRUF.LT.ILEN) GOTO 9

0057     IF(DEV.NE.0) READ(DEV,3,END=20) (STRIN(I),I=1,ILEN)
0059     IF(DEV.EQ.0) CALL IN
0061     IF(IPRIN.EQ.1) WRITE(6,6) (STRIN(I),I=1,ILEN)
0063     IF(STRIN(1).EQ.AL(42)) GOTO 20
0065     IRUF = 0
0066 9     IRUF = IRUF +1
C IF ELEMENT IN INPUT IS ATOM DELIMITER GOTO END OF ATOM ELSE GO ON WITH CON-
C SULTATION OF THE DICTIONARY
0067     J = SCAN(IRUF)
0068     IF(J.LT.4) GOTO 10
0070     K = K +1
0071     IF(K.GT.30) GOTO 21
0073     ISTR(K) = J
0074     GOTO 8
C END OF ATOM
0075 10     IRUF = IRUF -1
0076     CALL BACK(IZ)
0077     IF(CDR(JZ).EQ.NIL) GOTO 120
C CHECK WHETHER BASE CELL OF ATOM WAS ALREADY IN DICTIONARY EITHER
C IMMEDIATELY AS CDR OF LAST CELL OR AS EMBEDDED BASE CELL
C IF NOT MAKE NEW CELL FOR EMBEDDING FOR BASE CELL AND FOR PRINTNAME
0079 121     J1 = JZ
0080     JZ = CDR(JZ)
0081     IF(CAR(JZ).EQ.NIL) RETURN
0083     IF(AF(JZ).NE.NIL) GOTO 128
0085     IF(CAR(CAR(JZ)).NE.NIL) GOTO 127
0087     JZ = CAR(JZ)
0088     RETURN
0089 127     IF(AF(CDR(JZ)).EQ.0) GOTO 121
0091     IF(CAR(CDR(JZ)).NE.NIL) GOTO 128
0093     JZ = CDR(JZ)
0094     RETURN
```

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```
      C ELSE MAKE NEW CELLS
0095 128 CALL NEW(I)
0096      J = CDR(J1)
0097      CDR(J1) = I
0098      CDR(I) = J
0099      CALL NEW(J)
0100      CAR(I) = J
0101      GOTO 13
0102 120 CALL NEW(J)
0103      CDR(JZ) = J
0104 13  AF(J) = I
0105      CAR(J) = I
0106      JZ = J
0107      CALL NEW(L)
0108      CDR(J) = L
0109      CALL NEW(J)
0110      CAR(L) = J
      C CODING FOR PRINTNAME
0111 15  L = I
0112 14  AF(J) = ISTR(L)
0113      L = L+1
0114 33  IF(K-L) 50,31,32
0115 30  RETURN
0116 31  CAR(J) = ISTR(I)
0117      RETURN
0118 32  CAR(J) = (ISTR(L)*100) + ISTR(L+1)
0119      L = L+2
0120      IF(K-L) 41,40,40 RETURN
0122      CALL NEW(C)
0123      CDR(J) = C
0124      J = C
0125      GOTO 14
      C
      C (3) P-ATOMS
      C
      C (4) ERRORS AND END OF FILE
0126 18  CALL BACK(IZ)
0127      RETURN
0128 20  JZ = -1
0129      RETURN
0130 21  WRITE(6,25)
0131 25  FORMAT (1X, 'ATOMLENGTH EXCEEDS 30 CHARACTERS')
0132      CALL EXIT
0133      END
```

list processing

LIST

parameters: I a list or an atom.

operation: LIST checks whether I is a list or an atom, and returns a truthvalue indicating that. LIST should be declared LOGICAL in the program calling it. NIL is considered to be a list.

code:

```
0001 LOGICAL FUNCTION LIST (I)
0002 LOGICAL*1 AF
0003 COMMON CAR(3000),COR(3000),AF(3000)
0004 LIST = .FALSE.
0005 IF(AF(I).EQ.0) LIST=.TRUE.
0007 END
```

list processing

LOOKUP

parameters: ID, IZ, JY

operation: LOOKUP consults a dictionary (ID) to see whether information in a cell (IZ) is present. If so, the point in the dictionary is returned as JY, else the dictionary is extended to deal with the new information.

In addition there is a check whether the space for list cells is not exhausted. If so an error message is issued: "STORAGE EXHAUSTED DURING LOOKUP".

code:

```
0001      SUBROUTINE LOOKUP(ID,IZ,JY)
0002      IMPLICIT INTEGER (A-W)
0003      LOGICAL*1 AF
0004      COMMON CAR(3000),COR(3000),AF(3000)
0005      COMMON /IFREE/ IFREE
0006      NIL = 0
0007      C (1) LOOKUP
0008      1  IF(COR(ID).EQ.NIL) GOTO 7
0009      2  IS = ID
0010      ID = COR(ID)
0011      JY = ID
0012      IF(AF(ID).EQ.0) JY = CAR(ID)
0014      4  IF(CAR(JY).NE.CAR(IZ)) GOTO 3
0016      ID = JY
0017      RETURN
0018      3  IF(JY.NE.ID) GOTO 2
0020      C (2) CREATE NEW EMBEDDING
0021      9  CAR(IS) = IFREE
0022      AF(IFREE) = 0
0023      CAR(IFREE) = ID
0024      ID = IFREE
0025      IF(IFREE.EQ.3000) GOTO 10
0026      IFREE = COR(IFREE)
0027      C (3) CREATE NEW CELL OF DICTIONARY
0028      7  COR(ID) = IZ
0029      ID = IZ
0030      COR(ID) = 0
0031      IZ = IFREE
0032      IF(IFREE.EQ.3000) GOTO 10
0033      IFREE = COR(IFREE)
0034      COR(IZ) = 0
0035      JY = ID
0036      RETURN
0037      C (4) ERRORS
0038      10 WRITE(6,11)
0039      11 FORMAT (1X, 'STORAGE EXHAUSTED DURING LOOKUP')
0040      CALL EXIT      - 3.22. -
0041      END
```



list processing

NEW

parameters: I

operation: NEW takes one cell from the freelist and sets I equal to this cell. In addition it checks whether the memory space is exhausted and if so an error message "STORAGE EXHAUSTED IN NEW" is issued.

code:

```
0001      SUBROUTINE NEW(I)
0002      IMPLICIT INTEGER (A-W)
0003      LOGICAL*1 AF
0004      COMMON CAP(3000),CDR(3000),AF(3000)
0005      COMMON /IFREE/ IFREE
0006      C THE SUBROUTINE NEW TAKES ONE CELL FROM THE FREELIST
0007      IF(IFREE.EQ.3000) GO TO 1
0008      I = IFREE
0009      IFREE = CDR(IFREE)
0010      CDR(I) = 0
0011      RETURN
0012      1  WRITE(6,2)
0013      2  FORMAT (1X, 'STORAGE EXHAUSTED IN NEW')
0014      CALL EXIT
0015      END
```

list processing

## PLOTLI

parameters: I1, I, K, L

operation: PLOTLI writes a list I1 on a file on disk: FOR004.DAT in a format which can be consumed by the PLOT program. It denotes a value for the size of the characters of horizontal lines and the space between the leaves. This value is equal to  $I \times 0.25$  cm. So, if I is set to 1, the size of the characters will be 0.25 cm which is more or less the normal size. K denotes either 0 or 1. If K is 0 then the tree is not centered, if  $K = 1$  the tree is centered, i.e. the lines from dominating nodes will end at the middle of the bar connecting the dominated nodes. L denotes either 0 or 1. If L is 0 then the leaves will 'hang' right under their dominating nodes, if  $L = 1$  then the leaves are plotted on one line.

code:

```
0001      SUBROUTINE PLOTLI(I1,I,K,L)
0002      IMPLICIT INTEGER (A-W)
0003      LOGICAL*1 AF
0004      COMMON CAR(3000),CDR(3000),AF(3000)
0005      CALL PRLIST(I1,I,4)
0006      WRITE(4,1) I,K,L
0007 1      FORMAT (3I2)
0008      RETURN
0009      END
```

list processing

REMARKS:

1. Files from PLOTLI are written on FOR004.DAT so do not confuse this with other output on this file by PRLIST.
2. When all structures to be plotted are processed by PLOTLI, one should call the CLOSE subroutine in the FORTRAN program, in particular CALL CLOSE (4). This is needed to 'close' the files, i.e. add an 'end of file symbol' to it.

list processing

POPUP

parameters: I, I1 with I an atom or a list and I1 a list.

operation: POPUP sets I equal to the contents of the top cell of a list I1 and then removes this cell from the top. This is done by transferring all information from the second to the first cell such that the value of I1 remains the same.

code:

```
0001      SUBROUTINE POPUP(I,I1)
0002      IMPLICIT INTEGER (A-N)
0003      LOGICAL*4 AF
0004      COMMON CAR(4000),COR(3000),AF(3000)
0005      COMMON IFFREE, IFFREE
0006      I = CAR(I1)
0007      IF(COR(I1,EN,0) GO TO 1
0009      I2 = COR(I1)
0010      COR(I1) = COR(I2)
0011      CAR(I1) = CAR(I2)
0012      AF(I1) = AF(I2)
0013      C REMOVE SECOND CELL
0014      COR(I2) = IFFREE
0015      CAR(I2) = 0
0016      AF(I2) = 0
0017      IFFREE = I2
0018      RETURN
0019      1 CALL BACK(I1)
0020      I1 = 0
0021      END
```

list processing

PROP

parameters: I1, I2, I3 with I1 an atom, I2 an atom and I3 a list or an atom.

operation: PROP appends the property I2 and the associated value I3 which may be an atom or a list to the property list of atom I1 if and only if the property is not yet on the list, else the old value is replaced by I3 without warning.

If I1 is not an atom, an error message is produced:  
'FIRST ARGUMENT OF PROP SHOULD BE ATOM.'

code:

```
0001      SUBROUTINE PROP(I1,I2,I3)
0002      IMPLICIT INTEGER (A-W)
0003      LOGICAL*1 AF
0004      COMMON CAR(3000),CDR(3000),AF(3000)
0005      C CHECK WHETHER THE PROPERTY IS ALREADY THERE
0006      NIL = 0
0007      IF(AF(I1).NE.0) GOTO 1
0008      WRITE(6,5)
0009      5   FORMAT (1X, 'FIRST ARGUMENT OF PROP SHOULD BE ATOM')
0010      CALL EXIT
0011      1   J1 = I1
0012      J1 = CDR(J1)
0013      100  IF(CDR(I1).EQ.NIL) GOTO 10
0014      J1 = CDR(J1)
0015      IF(CAR(CDR(J1)).NE.I2) GOTO 100
0016      C IT IS THERE
0017      CDR(CDR(J1)) = I3
0018      RETURN
0019      C IT IS NOT THERE
0020      10  CALL NEW(1)
0021      CALL APPEND (J1,I,J1)
0022      CAR(1) = I2
0023      CDR(1) = I3
0024      RETURN
0025      END
```

list processing

PRLIST

parameters: INP, BUF, DEV

operation: PRLIST prints a list or an atom.

INP is a pointer to a list (i.e. to the first element of a list) or the base register of an atom  
BUF is an integer value denoting the position on the outputline from where the system should start printing;  
if I2 is  $\emptyset$  a line is left open and the system starts from the first character on the next outputline.

DEV is the device on which the output must appear, if DEV =  $\emptyset$  the outputline is constructed but not printed out. This is of use in extracting the printname of atoms via commonzones.

The result of PRLIST is that the whole list structure pointed at by INP is recoded in alphanumeric characters and transferred to the device.

remarks: 1.If list notation is impossible, dot notation is used but only at the point where it is necessary:

E.g. given (A . ( B . ( C . D ))) , this will be printed as (A B C . D).

2. When the value of BUF is greater than one, all characters on the outputline are blanks. One can use this feature for editing.

E.g. suppose you want the following as output:

THE NAME IS : JOHN, where "the name is:" is in the program and John an atom referred to by the variable name, then the output can be obtained by the following lines of FORTRAN:

```
CALL PRLIST (NAME, 14, 6)
WRITE (6,1)
1  FORMAT (1H+, 'THE NAME IS :')
```

code

list processing

code:

```
0001      SUBROUTINE PRLIST(INP, BUF, DEV)
0002      IMPLICIT INTEGER (A-W)
0003      LOGICAL*1 AF
0004      LOGICAL*1 STPIN
0005      LOGICAL*1 ALF(56)
0006      COMMON /STRIN/STRIN(80)
0007      COMMON CAR(3000), CDR(3000), AF(3000)
0008      DATA ILEN/70/
C THIS SUBROUTINE PRINTS A LIST POINTED AT BY INP ON A DEVICE CALLED DEV
C FROM THE POSITION INDICATED BY BUF
0009      NIL = 0
0010      IBUF = BUF
0011      IF (BUF, LE, 1) GOTO 400
0013      DO 401 I = 1, IBUF
0014 401  STRIN(I) = ALF(I)
0015 400  IF ((DEV, EQ, 0), OR, (IBUF, NE, 0)) GOTO 402
0017      WRITE(DEV, 403)
0018 403  FORMAT (1X/1X)
0019 402  I1 = INP
0020      IF (IBUF, EQ, 0) IBUF = 1
0022      IOUT = 1
C TOP CONTROL ; SEE WHETHER INPUT IS ATOM, NIL, OR LIST
0023      IF (AF(I1), EQ, 1) GOTO 100
0025      IF (I1, EQ, 0) GOTO 200
C IF LIST CREATE REG CELL ON TOP OF LIST
0027      IOUT = 0
0028      I = I1
0029      CALL NEW(I1)
0030      CAR(I1) = 1
0031      CALL NEW(POS)
0032      GOTO 2
C
C NORMAL CONTROL
C -----
0033 3    I1 = CDR(I1)
0034 2    IF (I1, EQ, NIL) GOTO 114
0036      IF (AF(I1), EQ, 0) GOTO 1
0038      IF (CAR(I1), NE, 0) GOTO 8
C
C SECTION 1 PRINTING THE ATOMS
C -----
C GOTO PRINTNAME CELL OF ATOM; DECODE THE PRINTNAME AND WRITE IT ON THE OUT-
C PUT BUFFER (STRIN)
0040 100  I1 = CDR(I1)
0041      PRN = I1
0042 15   I1 = CAR(PRN)
0043      IREG = IBUF + 1
0044 11   IF (IBUF + 1, LT, ILEN) GOTO 14
0046      IF (DEV, NE, 0) WRITE(DEV, 6) (STPIN(I), I=1, IREG)
0048 6    FORMAT (1X, 120A1)
0049      IBUF = 1
0050      GOTO 15
0051 14   STRIN(IBUF) = ALF(AF(I1))
0052      I2 = CAR(I1)
0053      IF (I2, EQ, 0) GOTO 12
0055      IBUF = IBUF + 1
0056      IF (I2, LT, 100) GOTO 16
```

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```

0058     STRIN(IBUF) = ALF(I2/100)
0059     IBUF = IBUF + 1
0060     I2 = I2 - ((I2/100) * 100)
0061 16    STRIN(IBUF) = ALF(I2)
0062     IF(CDR(I1).EQ.0) GOTO 12
0064     I1 = CDR(I1)
0065     IBUF = IBUF + 1
0066     GOTO 14
C END OF ATOM OR P-ATOM / ADD BLANK
0067 12    IBUF = IBUF + 1
0068     STRIN(IBUF) = ALF(1)
0069     IF(IBUF.GT.ILEN) GOTO 11
0071     IBUF = IBUF + 1
0072     IF(IOUT.EQ.1) GOTO 110
0074     GOTO 114
C
C LEFT PARENTHESIS
C -----
C PUSH POINTER TO CURRENT CELL AND SET CURRENT CELL EQUAL TO CAR . ADD LEFT
C PARENTHESIS IF EMBEDDING NOT DUE TO AN ATOM
0075 1    IF(CAR(I1).EQ.NIL) GOTO 200
0077     CALL PUSH(I1,PDS)
0078     IF(AF(CAR(I1)).EQ.1) GOTO 117
0080     IF(IBUF.LT.ILEN) GOTO 19
0082     IBUF = IBUF - 1
0083     IF(DEV.NE.0) WRITE(DEV,6) (STRIN(I),I=1,IBUF)
0085     IBUF = 1
0086 19    STRIN(IBUF) = ALF(2)
0087     IBUF = IBUF + 1
0088 117   I1 = CAR(I1)
0089     GOTO 2
C
C RIGHT PARENTHESIS
C -----
C POPUP POINTER TO CURRENT CELL AND ADD RIGHT PARENTHESIS IF EMBEDDING IS
C NOT DUE TO AN ATOM . IF THE PUSHDOWN STORE IS EMPTY GOTO END
0090 114   CALL POPUP(I1,PDS)
0091     IF(CAR(PDS).EQ.NIL) GOTO 300
0093     IF((AF(CAR(I1)).EQ.1).OR.(CAR(I1).EQ.NIL)) GOTO 16
0095     IF(IBUF.LT.ILEN) GOTO 22
0097     IBUF = IBUF - 1
0098     IF(DEV.NE.0) WRITE(DEV,6) (STRIN(I),I=1,IBUF)
0100     IBUF = 1
0101 22    STRIN(IBUF) = ALF(3)
0102     IBUF = IBUF + 1
0103 18    IF(CDR(I1).EQ.NIL) GOTO 114
C DOT
C IF IN THE CDR THERE IS A POINTER TO AN ATOM WE ADD A DOT
0105     IF(AF(CDR(I1)).EQ.NIL) GOTO 3
0107     IF (IBUF.LT.ILEN) GOTO 23
0109     IBUF = IBUF - 1
0110     IF(DEV.NE.0) WRITE(DEV,6) (STRIN(I),I=1,IBUF)
0112     IBUF = 1
0113 23    STRIN(IBUF) = ALF(55)
0114     STRIN(IBUF+1) = ALF(1)
0115     IBUF = IBUF + 2
0116     GOTO 3

```



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```
C NIL
0117 200 IF (IBUF+2.LT.ILEN) GOTO 210
0119      IBUF = IBUF -1
0120      IF (DEV.NE.0) WRITE (DEV,6) (STRIN(I),I=1,IBUF)
0123 210      IBUF = 1
0124      STRIN (IBUF) = ALF (19)
0125      STRIN (IBUF+1) = ALF (6)
0126      STRIN (IBUF+2) = ALF (17)
0127      STRIN (IBUF+3) = ALF (1)
0128      IBUF = IBUF +4
0129      IF (ICUT.EQ.1) GOTO 110
0130      GOTO 3
C END
0131 300      STRIN (IBUF) = ALF (3)
0132      IBUF = IBUF +1
0133 110      IF (FLAG.EQ.1) RETURN
0135 500      IBUF = IBUF -1
0136      IF (DEV.NE.2) WRITE (DEV,6) (STRIN(I),I=1,IBUF)
0137      IBUF = IBUF +1
0139      RETURN
C ERROR
0140 8        WRITE (6,86)
0141 88      FORMAT (1X, 'IRREGULAR INPUT FOR PRLIST (POSSIBLY PART OF DICTIONARY
*)')
0142      RETURN
0143      END
```

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PUSH

parameters: I, I1, with I a list or an atom and I1 a list.

operation: PUSH creates a new cell on top of a list pointed at by I1 and sets I in the CAR of this cell.  
the value of the pointer itself does not change during PUSH, because actually the second cell becomes the new cell and all information on the former first cell is transferred to this cell.

code:

```
0001      SUBROUTINE PUSH(I,I1)
0002      IMPLICIT INTEGER (A-W)
0003      LOGICAL*1 AF
0004      COMMON CAP(3000),CDR(3000),AF(3000)
0005      COMMON /IFREE/ IFREE
0006      C THIS SUBROUTINE CREATES A NEW CELL ON TOP OF A LIST I1 AND STORES I IN
0007      C THE CAR OF THIS CELL
0008      IF(I1.EQ.0) GOTO 3
0009      I2 = I1
0010      C TRANSFER INFORMATION OF FIRST CELL TO NEW CELL
0011      IF(IFREE.EQ.3000) GOTO 1
0012      I1 = IFREE
0013      IFREE = CDR(IFREE)
0014      AF(I1) = AF(I2)
0015      CAR(I1) = CAR(I2)
0016      CDR(I1) = CDR(I2)
0017      C STORE NEW INFORMATION IN TOP CELL
0018      AF(I2) = 0
0019      CAR(I2) = I
0020      CDR(I2) = I1
0021      I1 = I2
0022      RETURN
0023      1  WRITE(6,2)
0024      2  FORMAT (1X, 'STORAGE EXHAUSTED IN PUSH')
0025      CALL EXIT
0026      3  CALL NEW(I1)
0027      GOTO 7
0028      END
```

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RLIST

parameters: BUF, IBUF, DEV

operation: RLIST is an integer function for reading lists and atoms.

BUF is a pointer to the position where the reading should start.

IBUF is a pointer which results in the final position after executing the function.

DEV is a code for the device from which the system should read.

The result of RLIST is that all decoding and storing is performed and that a pointer to a list (or atom) is returned as result.

The following conventions hold for the arguments:

1. If BUF is equal to  $\emptyset$ , then a new line of input is consumed but the line is NOT printed out during reading.

If BUF is equal to 1, a new line of input is consumed and the line is printed on the output device (LUN: 6).

If BUF is greater than 1, the system starts reading on the latest consumed line.

Whenever a line is completely processed, but more characters are needed, the system keeps reading new lines from the input device until a complete list (or atom) is found.

2. IBUF is set to the final character used in the RLIST process. So, with IBUF we can keep on reading on the same line if we take this as starting point for the next call to RLIST.

3. DEV indicates the device from which the input line must be taken.  
if DEV = $\emptyset$  a special subroutine called IN is used to fill the characters of the inputline in the commonzone STRIN. The user can himself define the way in which this filling in is performed.  
If DEV is greater than  $\emptyset$  the relevant device should during taskbuilding be connected to the logical unit number specified in DEV.

Remarks: 1. Blanks are ignored if not meaningful

2. Superfluous right brackets on the last inputline are ignored but if you keep reading on the same line, an error message will follow: 'TOO MANY RIGHT PARENTHESES'.

3. A lack of right brackets will make the system look for further brackets and therefore consume the rest of input lines. Then a message will be issued: 'TOO MANY LEFT PARENTHESES'. So, a lack of right brackets is a fatal error, in that it is noticed only when all cards have been read.

4. The null string can be represented in the input by NIL and (). NIL is the only atom that is present as soon as the program starts. (The integer value of NIL is  $\emptyset$ ).

5. Each character that is given as input is coded directly into an integer. Characters which are not in the ALF vector are not accepted, a message 'UNRECOGNIZED CHARACTER' is issued.

6. An important (but difficult) question is the fact that there is a fundamental distinction between the FORTRAN program and the variables for lists and atoms used therein and the users' specification for the atoms and lists, a distinction which is not so stringent in LISP e.g., due to the QUOTE-feature. Clearly the bridge between the two is the RLIST function. Therefore any atom that is used as an entity in the program should be read in by RLIST.

E.G. suppose 'NOUN' is an entity which is being referred to in the program, then we can write

NOUN = RLIST (1,I,1) where NOUN is on the card.

From then on the variable 'NOUN' (in the FORTRAN program) will refer to the same object as the atom NOUN in input/output.

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code:

```

0001      INTEGER FUNCTION RLIST (IBUF, IBUF, DEV)

      C
      C (1) START
      C -----
0002      IMPLICIT INTEGER (A-W)
0003      LOGICAL*1 AF
0004      LOGICAL*1 ALF(56), STRIN
0005      COMMON /STRIN/ STRIN(80)
0006      COMMON /AP(3000), CDR(3000), AF(3000)
0007      COMMON /PRIN/ IPRIN, BLANK, FIRST
0008      DATA ALF/ ' ', '(', ')', 'A', 'E', 'I', 'O', 'U', 'R', 'C', 'D', 'F', 'G',
* 'H', 'J', 'K', 'L', 'M', 'N', 'P', 'Q', 'R', 'S', 'T', 'V', 'W', 'X', 'Y', 'Z',
* '0', '1', '2', '3', '4', '5', '6', '7', '8', '9', '!', '@', '#', '$', '%', '&',
* '+', '-', ']', '>', '<', ':', ';', '?', '=', '/', '*' /

      C FOR CONTROLLING THE INPUT A BUFFERPOINTER (IBUF) IS USED WHICH POINTS TO THE
      C FIRST CHARACTER TO BE READ. IBUF INITIALLY ALSO REGULATES THE PRINTFLAG
      C (IPRIN) WHICH IS SET TO 1 IF THE INPUTLINE IS TO BE PRINTED OUT, ELSE TO 0

0009      NIL = 0
0010      IBUF = BUF
0011      RLIST = 0
0012      IF (IBUF.GT.1) GOTO 100
0014      IF (IBUF.EQ.0) IPRIN=0
0016      IF (IBUF.EQ.1) IPRIN=1
0018      IBUF = 81

      C DECODE THE FIRST INPUT ELEMENT . IF IT IS A LEFT OR RIGHT PARENTHESIS
      C WE START PROCESSING FURTHER, ELSE AN ATOM IS DISCOVERED AND WE IMME
      C DIATELY RETURN WITH RLIST AS POINTER TO THE BASE CELL OF THE ATOM

0019  100  CALL INPUT(IBUF, JZ, DEV)
0020      IF (JZ.EQ.-1) GOTO 24
0022      IF (JZ.LT.0) GOTO 1
0024      RLIST=JZ
0025      RETURN

      C WHEN THE FIRST ELEMENT IS A LEFT PARENTHESIS (CODE = -3) AN ERROR OCCURRED
      C ELSE WE CREATE A NEW TOPCELL AND GOTO THE CONTROL POINT

0026  1   IF (JZ.EQ.-3) GOTO 22
0028      CALL NEW(RLIST)
0029      CALL NEW(IL)
0030      IR = RLIST
0031      GOTO 11

      C
      C (2) MAIN PROGRAM
      C -----
      C A NEW ELEMENT IS TAKEN FROM THE INPUT
0032  7   CALL INPUT(IBUF, JZ, DEV)
      C CONTROL POINT
      C -----
      C SEND TO SECTION FOR ATOMS OR LEFT OR RIGHTPAR DEPENDING ON THE RESULT
      C OF 'INPUT' . IF INPUT RESULTS IN -1 (= END OF FILE) AN ERROR OCCURRED

0033      IF (JZ.GT.0) GOTO 10
0035  11   J = JZ+4
0036      GOTO (4, 3, 20), J

      C
      C SECTION 1 ATOMS
      C
      C WHEN THE ATOM IS NIL , FIRST STORE -1
0037  2   JZ = -1

```

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```
C IF THE CAR OF THE CURRENT CEL (IR) IS EMPTY WE CAN IMMEDIATELY STORE THE AT
C ELSE A NEW CELL MUST BE MADE , AND THEN THE ATOM IS STORED
C (NOTE THE PROVISION FOR NIL)
0038 10 IF(CAR(IR).EQ.NIL) GOTO 5
0040 IF(CAR(IR).EQ.-1) CAR(IR) = 0
0042 CALL NEW(I)
0043 CDR(IR) = I
0044 IR = I
0045 5 CAR(IR) = J2
0046 GOTO 7

C
C SECTION 2 LEFT PARENTHESIS
C WHEN THE CAR OF THE CURRENT CEL IS NOT EMPTY WE FIRST CREATE A NEW CELL AND
C HANG IT ON THE ALREADY OBTAINED LIST
0047 3 IF(CAR(IR).EQ.NIL) GOTO 4
0049 IF(CAR(IR).EQ.-1) CAR(IR) = 0
0051 CALL NEW(I)
0052 CDR(IR) = I
0053 IR = I

C THEN/ELSE WE PUSH THE CURRENT CELL ON IL (THE PUSHDOWNSTORE), CREATE A NEW
C CELL AND HANG IT IN THE CAR OF THE CURRENT CELL . THIS LAST CELL IS
C THE NEW CURRENT CEL
0054 6 CALL PUSH(IR,IL)
0055 CALL NEW(I)
0056 CAR(IR) = I
0057 IR = I
0058 GOTO 7

C
C SECTION 3 RIGHT PARENTHESIS
C CLOSE THE LIST DOWN (= NIL IN CDR OF CURRENT CELL) AND POPUP FROM IL
C THE POINTER TO WHERE THE INBEDDING STARTED, NOTE THE PROVISION
C FOR NIL
0059 4 CDR(IR) = 0
0060 IF(CAR(IR).EQ.NIL) GOTO 9
0062 IF(CAR(IR).EQ.-1) CAR(IR) = 0
0064 CALL POPUP(IR,IL)
0065 IF(CAR(IL).NE.NIL) GOTO 7

C END
C IF THE PUSHDOWN IS EMPTY WE REACHED THE END OF A LIST AND GO BACK TO
C THE CALLING PROGRAM
0067 K = RLIST
0068 RLIST = CAR(RLIST)
0069 CALL BACK(K)
0070 CALL BACK(IL)
0071 RETURN

C IN THE CASE OF NIL AS () THE CELL DUE TO EMBEDDING IS RETURNED TO THE
C FREELIST AND -1 IS STORED IN THE CAR OF THE NEW CURRENT CELL OBTAINED BY
C POPPING UP FROM THE PUSHDOWN
0072 9 CALL BACK(IR)
0073 CALL POPUP(IR,IL)
0074 CAR(IR) = -1
0075 IF(IR.NE.RLIST) GOTO 7
0077 CALL BACK(IL)
0078 CALL BACK(RLIST)
0079 RETURN

C
C(3) ERRORS
C -----
0080 20 WRITE(6,21)
0081 21 FORMAT(1X,'MISSING RIGHT PARENTHESIS')
0082 CALL EXIT
0083 22 WRITE(6,23)
0084 23 FORMAT(1X,'MISSING LEFT PARENTHESES')
0085 CALL EXIT
0086 24 WRITE(6,25)
0087 25 FORMAT(1X,'END OF FILE DURING INPUT')
0088 RLIST = 0
0089 RETURN
0090 END
```

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The library of list processing routines contains also a number of routines necessary to plot tree structures on the plotter. These routines, although very interesting in themselves, will not be discussed here, partly because it is a superfluous feature, partly because they make extensive use of the special UIA library containing routines for using the plotter.

### 3.2. THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE PARSER

We now start with an explicit documentation of the implementation of the parser. As every programmer knows it is always possible to make other implementations for the same problem or to construct programs in other programming languages. One of the things we want to do in the near future is to implement the parser in another programming language. This is to say that we do not insist on the present implementation nor on the programming language being used, although it must be said that the system works now very efficiently and very fast.

The presentation contains three parts. First we discuss some auxiliary (but task oriented) routines such as the consultation of the dictionary, the implementation of the feature complex calculus and the implementation of the completion automata. These routines have a general character because they are called at several places during the program.

In a second part we discuss the programs which constitute the parsing system itself. In a final part we provide all details on the routines for computing functional structures, case structures and semantic structures.

#### 3.2.1. Auxiliary routines

##### 3.2.1.1. Storing and retrieving linguistic information

Because we are experimenting with a rather small computer, we need to store the lexicon and other kinds of linguistic information on an external storage device (a disk) although this slows the whole process down considerably.

We will solve this (largely mere technical) problem as follows. We assume that linguistic information is always related to a particular atom. E.g. in the lexicon the information sequence is associated with a particular word form, a syntactic network is associated with a particular keyword, a case frame is associated with a predicate, etc.



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As a consequence we organize the file on disk in such a way that via an atom we can retrieve the information relevant for that atom. Note however that we assume there to be only one sequence of information for one atom .

The list of atoms is stored and retrieved on the basis of a hashcode which guarantees fast lookup. Because we want more then one language as 'working language', the language is a factor in the retrieval.

The routines for creating dictionaries and for retrieving information from them will now be discussed in some detail. The implementation is largely due to L. Bamps.

INI

operation:

This main program initializes two files on disk. One for the information in the dictionary (INFO.DAT) and one for the words themselves (WORD.DAT). Then the files are filled with blanks. Space is provided for 5000 information items.

code:

```
0001          LOGICAL*1 BL
0002          DATA BL/' '/
0003          CALL ASSIGN(4,'INFO.DAT',0)
0004          CALL FDBSET(4,'UNKNOWN')
0005          DEFINE FILE 4 (5001,41,U,IREC)
0006          CALL ASSIGN(3,'WORD.DAT',0)
0007          CALL FDBSET(3,'UNKNOWN')
0008          DEFINE FILE 3(7993,17,U,IREC)
0009          IO=0
0010          DO 100 I=1,7993
0011      100  WRITE(3'I')(BL,J=1,31),IO
0012          DO 101 I=1,5001
0013      101  WRITE(4'I')IO,(BL,J=1,80)
0014          CALL EXIT
0015          END
```

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CRE

operation:

This main program creates a dictionary by reading the atoms and storing the information about the atoms.

code:

```

0001 LOGICAL*1 WORD(30),TA,WORDH(30),TAH,HW(2),BL
0002 LOGICAL*1 KAART(80)
0003 EQUIVALENCE (IA,HW(1))
0004 DATA BL/' '
0005 DATA NUL/'?'
0006 CALL ASSIGN(3,'WORD,DAT',0)
0007 CALL FDBSET(3,'UNKNOWN')
0008 DEFINE FILE 3(7993,17,U,IREC)
0009 CALL ASSIGN(4,'INFO,DAT',0)
0010 CALL FDBSET(4,'UNKNOWN')
0011 DEFINE FILE 4(5001,41,U,IREC)
0012 290 READ(1,99,END=300)WORD,TA
0013 99 FORMAT(A0A1)
0014 WRITE(6,98)TA,WORD
0015 98 FORMAT('?',5X,A1,5X,30A1)
0016 HW(1)=WORD(2)
0017 HW(2)=WORD(3)
0018 IAD=MOD(IA,7993)
0019 200 IAD=IAD+1
0020 IF(IAD.GT.7993)IAD=1
0022 READ(3*IAD)WORDH,TAH,INDH
0023 IF(WORDH(1).EQ.BL)GO TO 250
0025 DO 100 I=1,30
0026 IF(WORDH(I).NE.WORD(I))GO TO 200
0028 100 CONTINUE
0029 IF(TA.NE.TAH)GO TO 200
0031 WRITE(6,97)
0032 97 FORMAT('++')
0033 INDY=INDH
0034 205 READ(1,99)KAART
0035 WRITE(6,95) (KAART(I),I=1,80)
0036 95 FORMAT(20X,A0A1)
0037 READ(4*INDY)INDX
0038 IF(KAART(80).EQ.BL)GO TO 220
0040 INDXH=-IAD
0041 WRITE(4*INDX)INDXH,(KAART(I),I=1,80)
0042 210 IF(INDH.LT.0)GO TO 290
0044 READ(4*INDH)INDXH
0045 WRITE(4*INDH)NUL
0046 INDX=INDXH
0047 GO TO 210
0048 220 IF(INDH.GT.0)GO TO 230

```

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```
0050      READ(4*5001)INDL
0051      INDL=INDL+1
0052      WRITE(4*INDX)INDL,(KAART(I),I=1,80)
0053      INDX=INDL+1
0054      GO TO 251
0055 230  WRITE(4*INDX)INDH,(KAART(I),I=1,80)
0056      INDX=INDH
0057      GO TO 205
0058 250  READ(4*5001)INDX
0059      INDXH=INDX+1
0060      WRITE(3*1A0)WORD,TA,INDXH
0061 251  INDX=INDX+1
0062      READ(1,99)KAART
0063      WRITE(6,95) (KAART(I),I=1,80)
0064      INDXH=INDX

0065      IF(KAART(80).EQ.BL)INDXH=INDX+1
0066      WRITE(4*INDX)INDXH,(KAART(I),I=1,80)
0067      IF(KAART(80).EQ.BL)GOTO 251
0068      WRITE(4*5001)INDX
0069      GO TO 290
0070 300  CONTINUE
0071      END
```

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SEARCH

parameters: I1 an atom

operation:

The integer function SEARCH consults the dictionary on the external storage device to find the information associated with a particular atom (I1) for a particular language (TA). If no information is in the dictionary an error message will be issued: 'LINGUISTIC INFORMATION MISSING FOR :'. This is a fatal error.

code:

```
0001      INTEGER FUNCTION SEARCH (I1)
0002      IMPLICIT INTEGER (A-W)
0003      LOGICAL*1 STRIN(80),WORD(30),HW(2),WORDH(30),TAH,TA,RL
0004      EQUIVALENCE (IA,HW(1))
0005      COMMON /IND, INDX
0006      COMMON /TA/ TA
0007      COMMON /STRIN/STRIN
0008      DATA BL,1H /
0009      CALL GET(I1,-1,SEARCH)
0010      IF(SEARCH.NE.0) RETURN
0012      CALL PRLIST(I1,1,0)
0013      DO 1 LEN=1,30
0014      IF(STRIN(LEN).EQ.BL) GOTO 2
0016      1  WORD(LEN) = STRIN(LEN)
0017      2  DO 3 J = LEN,30
0018      3  WORD(J) = BL
0019      HW(1)=WORD(2)
0020      HW(2)=WORD(3)
0021      IAD=MOD(IA,7993)
0022      400 IAD=IAD+1
0023      IF(IAD.EQ.7993)IAD=1
0025      READ(3+IAD)WORDH,TAH,INDH
0026      IF(WORDH(1).NE.BL)GO TO 401
0028      CALL PRLIST(I1,37,6)
0029      WRITE(6,4)
0030      4  FORMAT (1H+, 'LINGUISTIC INFORMATION MISSING FOR :')
0031      CALL EXIT
0032      401 DO 402 I=1,30
0033      IF(WORDH(I).NE.WORD(I))GO TO 400
0035      402 CONTINUE
0036      IF(TA.NE.TAH)GO TO 400
0038      INDX=INDH
0039      SEARCH = RLIST(0,J,0)
0040      CALL PROP(I1,-1,SEARCH)
0041      RETURN
0042      END
```

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IN

parameters: none

operation:

This subroutine fills the STRIN-vector in the commonzone for consumption by RLIST by reading items from disk.

This is an auxiliary subroutine for the SEARCH operation.

```
0001          SUBROUTINE IN
0002          LOGICAL*1 STRIN(80),BL,TEXT(80)
0003          COMMON /IND/INDX
0004          COMMON /STRIN/ STRIN
0005          DATA BL/1H /
0006          READ(4,'INDX') INDX,TEXT
0007          DO 1 I = 1,80
0008      1      STRIN(I) = TEXT(I)
0009          RETURN
0010          END
```

3.2.1.2. The implementation of the feature complex calculus

To implement the comparing and combination of feature complexes as defined in chapter I, we need routines for computing set interpretations, doing truthlogical interpretations and combinations of features. For this purpose we introduce the following programs:

EXT

parameters: GOAL (a feature complex)

operation:

The integer function EXT takes a feature complex GOAL and returns the set interpretation as value of EXT.

explanations:

Due to the recursive nature of the set-interpretation, we will need pushdownstores to stimulate the recursivity not present in FORTRAN.

The first phase of the program consists in decomposing the whole feature complex into minimal units, where a minimal unit is an atom or an operator. Two pushdown stores are used for this PD1 to push the minimal units upon and PD2 to run through the list structure of the feature complex. E.g.

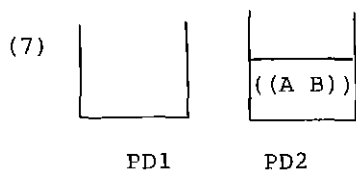
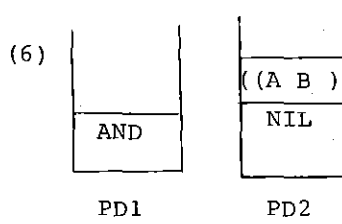
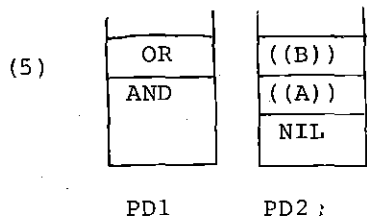
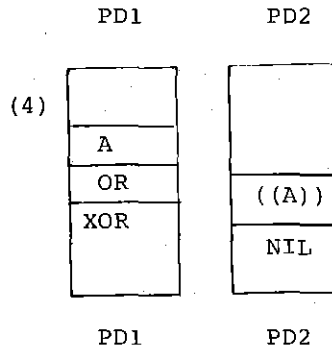
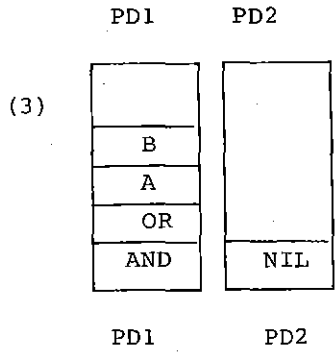
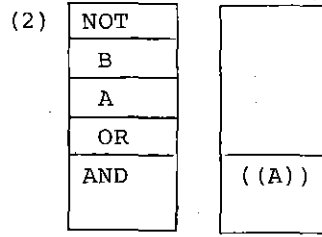
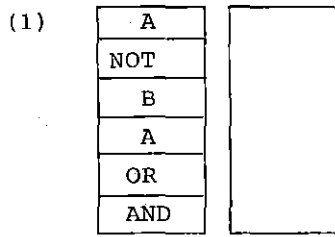
after phase 1 the feature complex (AND (OR A B ) ( NOT A ) ) becomes:

PD1 :	A
	NOT
	B
	A
	OR
	AND

The second phase of the program takes each of these minimal units from PD1 and evaluates them. The result of evaluation is stored on PD2 and if results of previous evaluation is needed, it is taken from this pushdownstore PD2.

E.G.:

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end

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code:

```

0001      INTEGER FUNCTION EXT(GOAL)
0002      IMPLICIT INTEGER (A-X)
0003      LOGICAL*1 AF
0004      COMMON CAR(3000),COR(3000),AF(3000)
0005      COMMON /LOG/ AND,OR,XOR,NOT
0006      EXT = 0
0007      I = GOAL
0008      IF(GOAL.EQ.0) RETURN
C FEATURE COMPLEX IS ATOM
0010      IF(AF(I).EQ.1) GOTO 110
0012      CALL NEW(EXT)
0013      CALL NEW(K)
0014      CAR(EXT) = K
0015      CAR(K) = I
0016      RETURN
C FEATURE COMPLEX IS LIST
C PHASE 1
C DECOMPOSE FEATURE COMPLEX AND PUSH ON PD1
0017  110  CALL NEW(PD1)
0018      CALL NEW(PD2)
0019  2    IF((AF(CAR(I)).EQ.1).OR.(CAR(I).EQ.0)) GOTO 1
0021      CALL PUSH(I,PD2)
0022      J = CAR(I)
0023      GOTO 2
0024  1    CALL PUSH(CAR(I),PD1)
0025  22   I = CAR(I)
0026      IF(I.EQ.0) GOTO 3
0028      GOTO 2
0029  3    IF(CAR(PD2).EQ.0) GOTO 5
0031      CALL POPUP(I,PD2)
0032      GOTO 22
0033  4    CALL PUSH(I,PD1)
C PHASE 2
0034  5    IF(COR(PD1).EQ.0) GOTO 30
0036      CALL POPUP(J,PD1)
C SEND TO RELEVANT PART
0037      IF(J.EQ.2) GOTO 9
0039      IF(J.EQ.NOT) GOTO 19
0041      IF(J.EQ.OR) GOTO 11
0043      IF(J.EQ.AND) GOTO 11
0045      IF(J.EQ.XOR) GOTO 13
C ATOM
0047      CALL NEW(I)
0048      CALL NEW(L)
0049      CAR(I) = I
0050      CAR(L) = J
0051      CALL PUSH(I,PD2)
0052      GOTO 5
C NIL
0053  9    CALL PUSH(0,PD2)
0054      GOTO 5
C NOT
0055  19   CAR(PD2) = 1
0056      GOTO 5
C OR / AND
0057  11   CALL NEW(LI)
0058      K = LI

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0059      CALL POPUP(J,PD2)
0060      IF(J.EQ.0) GOTO 5
0062      I = CAR(PD2)
0063      IF(I.EQ.?) GOTO 113
0065      J1 = J
0066  10    EJ = CAR(J1)
0067      I1 = J
0068  12    FI = CAR(I1)
0069      S = COPY(FI)
0070      CALL APPEND(K,S,F)
0071      CALL ADD(FI,S)
0072      I1 = COR(I1)
0073      IF(I1.NE.?) GOTO 12
0075      J1 = COR(J1)
0076      IF(J1.NE.?) GOTO 10
0078      CAR(PD2) = COR(LI)
0079      CALL BACK(LI)
0080      GOTO 5
0081  123   CAR(PD2) = L
0082      GOTO 5
      C XOK
0083  113   CAR(PD2) = J
0084      GOTO 5
0085  13    CALL POPUP(L,PD2)
0086      IF(L.EQ.?) GOTO 5
0088      I = CAR(PD2)
0089      IF(I.EQ.?) GOTO 123
0091  210   CALL PUSH(CAR(I),L)
0092      K = COR(I)
0093      CALL BACK(I)
0094      I = K
0095      IF(I.NE.?) GOTO 210
0097      CAR(PD2) = L
0098      GOTO 5
      C END
0099  30    CALL POPUP(EXT,PD2)
0100      CALL BACK(PD1)
0101      CALL BACK(PD2)
0102      RETURN
0103      END

```

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MATCH

parameters: SOURCE, GOAL two feature complexes where GOAL  
is a set-interpretation;  
INFTR an inference tree

operation: The integer function MATCH computes the subsets  
of the domain (given by GOAL) which evaluate to true for the  
feature complex source and returns the set of these subsets  
as the value of match.

explanations:

MATCH works on the same principles as EXT except as regards  
the evaluation procedure itself.

In a first phase the feature complex is decomposed in minimal  
units and stored on the pushdownstore PD1. The other pushdown-  
store PD2 is used to assist in scanning through the structure.  
The second part is the evaluation itself. Here we make use of  
a special subroutine MATCH2 that checks whether an atom is in  
a subset which is itself a part of the feature complex GOAL.  
The whole process is repeated for as many subsets as there are  
in the domain, and the subsets which result in true are  
accumulated and returned as final result.

The code for the truthvalues is 1 for true and -1 for false.

code:

```
0001      INTEGER FUNCTION MATCH (SOURCE,GOAL)
0002      IMPLICIT INTEGER (A-K)
0003      LOGICAL *1 *F
0004      COMMON CAR(3000),CDR(3000),AF(3000)
0005      COMMON /LOG/AND,OR,XOR,NOT
0006      CALL NEW(IM)
0007      M = IM
0008      K = GOAL
0009  20    IF(K.EQ.0) IK = 0
0010      IF(K.NE.0) IK = CAR(K)
0011      C PHASE (1)
0012      C DECOMPOSE FEATURE COMPLEX AND PUSH ON PD1
0013      I = SOURCE
0014      CALL NEW(PD1)
0015      CALL NEW(PD2)
0016      IF(I.EQ.0) GOTO 4
0017      IF(AF(I).EQ.1) GOTO 4
0018  2    IF((AF(CAR(I)).EQ.1).OR.(I.EQ.0)) GOTO 1
0019      CALL PUSH(I,PD2)
0020      I = CAR(I)
0021      GOTO 2
```

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0025 1    CALL PUSH(CAR(I),PD1)
0026 22   I = COR(I)
0027     IF(I.NE.0) GOTO 2
0029 3    IF(CAR(PD2).EQ.0) GOTO 5
0031     CALL POPUP(I,PD2)
0032     GOTO 22
0033 4    CALL PUSH(I,PD1)
      C PHASE (2)
0034 5    IF(COR(PD1).EQ.0) GOTO 30
0036     CALL POPUP(J,PD1)
      C SEND TO RELEVANT PARTS
0037     IF(J.EQ.0) GOTO 9
0039     IF(J.EQ.NOT) GOTO 10
0041     IF(J.EQ.OR) GOTO 11
0043     IF(J.EQ.AND) GOTO 12
0045     IF(J.EQ.XOR) GOTO 13
      C ATOMS
0047     CALL PUSH(MATCH2 (J,IK),PD2)
0048     GOTO 5
      C NIL
0049 9    CALL PUSH(1,PD2)
0050     GOTO 5
      C NOT
0051 10   IF(CAR(PD2).EQ.0) GOTO 40
0053     CAR(PD2) = CAR(PD2)*-1
0054     GOTO 5
      C OR
0055 11   IF(CAR(PD2).EQ.0) GOTO 40
0057     CALL POPUP(L,PD2)
0058     IF(L.EQ.1) CAR(PD2) = 1
0060     GOTO 5
      C AND
0061 12   IF(CAR(PD2).EQ.0) GOTO 40
0063     CALL POPUP(L,PD2)
0064     IF(L.EQ.-1) CAR(PD2) = -1
0066     GOTO 5
      C XOR
0067 13   IF(CAR(PD2).EQ.0) GOTO 40
0069     CALL POPUP(L,PD2)
0070     IF(L.EQ.1) GOTO 33
0072     IF(CAR(PD2).EQ.1) GOTO 5
0074 34   CAR(PD2) = -1
0075     GOTO 5
0076 33   IF(CAR(PD2).EQ.1) GOTO 34
0078     CAR(PD2) = 1
0079     GOTO 5
0080 40   WRITE(6,41)
0081 41   FORMAT (1X, 'UNWELFORMED FEATURE COMBINATION IN MATCH TEST')
0082     MATCH = -1
0083     GOTO 31
0084 30   IF(CAR(PD2).EQ.0) GOTO 40
0086     CALL POPUP(MATCH,PD2)
0087     IF(CAR(PD2).NE.0) GOTO 40
      C ACCUMULATE RESULTS AND END
0089 31   CALL BACK(PD2)
0090     CALL BACK(PD1)
0091     IF(MATCH.EQ.1) CALL APPEND (I,K,IM)
0093     K = COR(K)
0094     IF(K.NE.0) GOTO 20
0096 25   MATCH = 0
0097     IF(COR(M).EQ.0) RETURN
0099     MATCH = COR(M)
0100     CALL BACK(M)
0101     RETURN
0102     END

```

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MATCH2

parameters: J; IK with J an atom and IK a linear list  
INFTR an inference tree.

operation:

The integer function MATCH2 checks whether the atom J is  
in the list IK. If so, MATCH2 is set to 1, else to -1.

code:

```
0001      INTEGER FUNCTION MATCH2(J,IK,INFTR)
0002      IMPLICIT INTEGER (A-Z)
0003      LOGICAL*1 AF
0004      COMMON CAR(3000),CDR(3000),AF(3000)
0005      MATCH2=-1
0006      K = IK
0007      1  IF(K.EQ.0) GOTO 11
0009      IF(CAR(K).EQ.J) GOTO 10
0011      IF(INFTR.EQ.0) GOTO 2
0013      IF(CROSS(J,CAR(K),INFTR).NE.0) GOTO 10
0015      2  K = CDR(K)
0016      GOTO 1
0017      10  MATCH2 = 1
0018      RETURN
0019      11  IF(J.NE.0) RETURN
0021      GOTO 10
0022      END
```

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CROSS

parameters: SOU and GOAL both atoms,  
INFTR an inference tree.

operation:

The integer function CROSS is an auxiliary subroutine for MATCH2, it computes whether two atoms can be related to each other on the basis of an inference tree. This is done by running through the inference tree (with a pointer LI) using a pushdownstore (PDS) and by setting flags at relevant points during scanning.

code:

```
0001      INTEGER FUNCTION CROSS (SOU,GOAL,INFTR)
0002      IMPLICIT INTEGER(A-W)
0003      LOGICAL*1 AF
0004      COMMON CAR(3000),CDR(3000),AF(3000)
0005      CROSS = 0
0006      CALL NEW(PDS)
0007      CALL NEW(LI)
0008      S = LI
0009      CAR(LI) = INFTR
0010      3  IF(AF(CAR(LI)).NE.1) GOTO 1
0011      IF(CAR(LI).EQ.SOU)GOTO 2
0012      4  LI = CDR(LI)
0013      IF(LI.NE.0)GOTO 3
0014      CALL POPUP(LI,PDS)
0015      IF(LI.NE.0)GOTO 4
0016      6  CALL RACK(S)
0017      RETURN
0018      1  CALL PUSH(LI,PDS)
0019      LI=CAR(LI)
0020      GOTO 3
0021      2  CALL POPUP(I,PDS)
0022      IF(I.EQ.0) GOTO 6
0023      IF(CAR(CAR(I)).EQ. GOAL) GOTO 5
0024      GOTO 2
0025      5  CALL ERASE(PDS)
0026      CALL RACK(S)
0027      CROSS = 1
0028      RETURN
0029      END
```

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COMB

parameters: I1 and J where I1 and J are both set interpretations of feature complexes

operation:

The integer function COMB computes the extensional combination of two feature complexes and returns it as the value of COMB.

This is done by using the ADD subroutine which adds all atoms of a list to another list, if and only if the atoms are not already there.

code:

```
0001      INTEGER FUNCTION COMB (I1,J1)
0002      IMPLICIT INTEGER (A-W)
0003      LOGICAL*1 AF
0004      COMMON CAR(3000),CDR(3000),AF(3000)
0005      COMB = I1
0006      IF (J1.EQ.0) RETURN
0008      COMB = J1
0009      IF (I1.EQ.0) RETURN
0011      CALL NEW (COMB)
0012      C = COMB
0013      IC = C
0014      J = J1
0015      1  IF (J.EQ.0) GOTO 2
0017      I = I1
0018      4  IF (I.EQ.0) GOTO 3
0020      F = COPY (CAR(I))
0021      CALL ADD (CAR(J),F)
0022      CALL APPEND (C,F,C)
0023      I = CDR(I)
0024      GOTO 4
0025      3  J = CDR(J)
0026      GOTO 1
0027      2  COMB = CDR(IC)
0028      CALL BACK(IC)
0029      RETURN
0030      END
```

### 3.3.1.3. The implementation of the completion automata.

We use transition networks at various places in the whole system to control order restrictions. Let us now discuss the procedures that are able to consult the transition networks. These procedures are located in a subroutine called NETW.

#### (i) input:

Recall our conventions for representing transition networks in the form of list representations. A transition network is a list of quadruples:  $\langle a_1, a_2, a_3, a_4 \rangle$  where  $a_1$  is the start state of a transition,  $a_2$  is the resulting state,  $a_3$  is the condition for the transition to take place and  $a_4$  is the symbol associated with the transition.

- $a_1$  may be one state or a feature complex of states
- $a_2$  may be one state or a list of states
- $a_3$  is a feature complex containing features
- $a_4$  is one single element or a list of elements.

A transition network under the given conventions is the first main piece of input information (called NET). The second main piece is a triple  $\langle \text{CON}, \text{STAT}, \text{RES} \rangle$  where  
CON denotes the condition for a transition to take place (CON is the extension of a feature complex)  
STAT denotes a state (or a set of states)  
RES denotes possibly a symbol associated with the transition.

The idea is that if CON is NIL, RES is the condition for a transition to take place, so we can perform transitions both on the basis of the condition itself and on the associated symbol.

#### (ii) output:

The output consists of two things:

- (a) A value for NETW, the call name of the procedure with 0 or 1, denoting that no transition or at least one transition took place respectively, thus we can immediately check whether there was any result.

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(b) A list of triples (called OUTF)  $\langle b1, b2, b3 \rangle$  with  
b1 the resulting domain of the conditional feature complex  
b2 a new state (or a set of new states)  
b3 the symbol associated with the transition.

So we come to the following program:

NETW

parameters: CON, STAT, RES, OUTF, NET

operation:

The procedure is a straight forward list processing action computing the states and the features according to the specifications given. We introduce a flag (FL) to indicate whether the condition or the associated symbol will determine the transition. A pointer (INET) runs through the network. First a match is tried for the state, next a match for the condition of transitions.

If successful a new list (L) is created and attached to the OUTF(ut) list via an APPEND operation on the S-pointer.

code:



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```

0001      INTEGER FUNCTION NETW(CON,STAT,RES,OUTP,NET,INT,FUNTR)
0002      IMPLICIT INTEGER (A-W)
0003      LOGICAL*1 AF
0004      COMMON CAR(3000),CDR(3000),AF(3000)
0005      NETW = 0
0006      FL=0
0007      IF(CON.EQ.0) FL=1
0008      IF(FL.EQ.1.AND.RES.EQ.0)RETURN
0009      INET = NET
0010      CALL NEW(OUTP)
0011      S = OUTP
0012      CALL NEW(IS)
0013      CAR(IS) = STAT
0014      C CHECK WHETHER CONDITION IS SATISFIED
0015      1  IF(INET.EQ.0) GOTO 10
0016      IRES = 0
0017      IF(FL.EQ.1) GOTO 5
0018      IRES = MATCH(CAR(CDR(CDR(CAR(INET))))),CON,FUNTR)
0019      0  CALL PRLIST (IRES,1,6)
0020      0  CALL PRLIST (CON,1,6)
0021      IF(IRES.EQ.0) GOTO 15
0022      GOTO 20
0023      5  IF(RES.NE.CAR(CDR(CDR(CDR(CAR(INET)))))) GOTO 15
0024      C CHECK WHETHER STATE IS SATISFIED
0025      20  NSTAT = MATCH(CAR(CAR(INET)),IS,INT)
0026      CALL PRLIST (NSTAT,1,6)
0027      CALL PRLIST (IS,1,6)
0028      IF(NSTAT.EQ.0) GOTO 15
0029      C ADD NEW TRIPLE TO OUTPUT
0030      CALL NEW(L)
0031      CALL APPEND (S,L,S)
0032      CAR(L) = IRES
0033      CALL APPEND (L,CAR(CDR(CAR(INET))),I)
0034      IF(CDR(CDR(CDR(CAR(INET))))NE.0)
0035      * CALL APPEND (I,CAR(CDR(CDR(CDR(CAR(INET))))),I)
0036      INET = CDR(INET)
0037      GOTO 1
0038      C END
0039      10  IF(CDR(OUTP)NE.0) GOTO 11
0040      CALL BACK(OUTP)
0041      RETURN
0042      11  I = CDR(OUTP)
0043      CALL BACK(OUTP)
0044      NETW=1
0045      OUTP = I
0046      RETURN
0047      END
0048
0049

```

### 3.2.2. The main program

Let us now consider the main program of the parser.

It performs the following tasks:

#### (i) Initialization

This includes

(a) Internal initialization of the list structure memory and of the files on disk on which the dictionary is stored.

(b) Initialization of the variables which are needed in the parser. In particular we input all terms which will be common to the programming system and the user.

(c) As soon as the reader has given the language in which he wants to work, we also read the grammar, the syntactic networks and the relevant inference trees. After that the system is ready to consume an input sentence.

#### (ii) Preparation

Then a request is issued to the user for an input sentence.

For each word in this sentence the system consults the dictionary and creates the initial particles according to the conventions we discussed in the previous chapter. The particles are organized as described earlier

#### (iii) Send to parser

When the initial particles have been made for a given input word, the program control shifts to the subroutine who actually controls the parsing process, namely the subroutine CONTR.

#### (iv) Send to semantic structurer

When all input words have been consumed in this way the program control shifts to the routines which extract functional structures, case structures and semantic structures from the particles which cover the complete input sentence.

code:

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```

0001      IMPLICIT INTEGER (A-X)
0002      LOGICAL*1 TA
0003      LOGICAL*1 AF
0004      COMMON /IFREE/ IFREE
0005      COMMON /VECT/ VECT(30), WORDS
0006      COMMON /INFTRE/ SYNTRE, SENTRE, FUNTRE
0007      COMMON /ADD/ SYNAFT, VERBAL, CASE1
0008      COMMON /CODE/ LOCK, RULE, BEFORE, AFTER, TRUE, FALSE, UNDET, FUNCTW,
* SYNNET, FRAME, OBJEC, UNMA, PREDIC
0009      COMMON /CODE2/ MOD, QUAL, ADJU
0010      COMMON /INVS/ INVS, NSTATS, LD
0011      COMMON /LOG/ AND, OR, XOR, NOT
0012      COMMON /COMF/ COMF(30,10)
0013      COMMON /FIN/ FIN, TR
0014      COMMON /TA/ TA
0015      COMMON /PDS/ PDS, PDS2
0016      COMMON /V/ VERR
0017      COMMON CAR(3000), CDR(3000), AF(3000)
0018      CALL INIT
C READ SYMBOLS
0019      CALL ASSIGN(3, 'WORD.DAT', 0)
0020      CALL FDRSET(3, 'UNKNOWN')
0021      DEFINE FILE 3(7993,17,0,IREC)
0022      CALL ASSIGN(4, 'INFO.DAT', 0)
0023      CALL FDRSET(4, 'UNKNOWN')
0024      DEFINE FILE 4(5001,41,0,IREC)
0025      TR = 0
0026      NIL = 0
0027      CALL NEW(PDS)
0028      CALL NEW(PDS2)
0029      CODES = RLIST(0,1,2)
0030      ICODE = CODES
0031      MORE = CAR(ICODE)
0032      LOCK = CAR(CDR(ICODE))
0033      RULE = CAR(CDR(CDR(ICODE)))
0034      BEFORE = CAR(CDR(CDR(CDR(ICODE))))
0035      AFTER = CAR(CDR(CDR(CDR(CDR(ICODE))))))
0036      ICODE = CDR(CDR(CDR(CDR(CDR(ICODE))))))
0037      TRUE = CAR(ICODE)
0038      UNDET = CAR(CDR(ICODE))
0039      ADJU = CAR(CDR(CDR(ICODE)))
0040      FUNCTW = CAR(CDR(CDR(CDR(ICODE))))
0041      OBJEC = CAR(CDR(CDR(CDR(CDR(ICODE))))))
0042      ICODE = CDR(CDR(CDR(CDR(CDR(ICODE))))))
0043      FRAME = CAR(ICODE)
0044      SYNNET = CAR(CDR(ICODE))
0045      AND = CAR(CDR(CDR(ICODE)))
0046      OR = CAR(CDR(CDR(CDR(ICODE))))
0047      XOR = CAR(CDR(CDR(CDR(CDR(ICODE))))))
0048      ICODE = CDR(CDR(CDR(CDR(CDR(ICODE))))))
0049      NOT = CAR(ICODE)
0050      PREDIC = CAR(CDR(ICODE))
0051      UNMA = CAR(CDR(CDR(ICODE)))
0052      MOD = CAR(CDR(CDR(CDR(ICODE))))
0053      QUAL = CAR(CDR(CDR(CDR(CDR(ICODE))))))
0054      ICODE = CDR(CDR(CDR(CDR(CDR(ICODE))))))
0055      FIN = CAR(ICODE)

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0056 TRACE = CAR(CDR(ICODE))
0057 UNDO = CAR(CDR(CDR(ICODE)))
0058 GRAMMA = CAR(CDR(CDR(CDR(ICODE))))
0059 SYNTAX = CAR(CDR(CDR(CDR(CDR(ICODE))))))
0060 ICODE = CDR(CDR(CDR(CDR(CDR(ICODE))))))
0061 SYNTAX = CAR(ICODE)
0062 SEMTR = CAR(CDR(ICODE))
0063 FUNCTR = CAR(CDR(CDR(ICODE)))
0064 VERBAL = CAR(CDR(CDR(CDR(ICODE))))
0065 FEAT = CAR(CDR(CDR(CDR(CDR(ICODE))))))
0066 ICODE = CDR(CDR(CDR(CDR(CDR(ICODE))))))
0067 ARG = CAR(ICULE)
0068 PRS = CAR(CDR(ICODE))
0069 SENSTR = CAR(CDR(CDR(ICODE)))
0070 HYPL = PLIST(0,1,2)
0071 HYPP = HYPL
0072 VERB = PLIST(0,1,2)
0073 OLIST = PLIST(0,1,2)
0074 WRITE(6,1000)
0075 1000 FORMAT(1X/1X,'WELCOME TO THE PARSING SYSTEM')
0076 WRITE(6,1001)
0077 1001 FORMAT(1X/1X,'SPECIFY THE LANGUAGE')
0078 112 READ(1,11) TA
0079 11 FORMAT(A1)
0 WRITE(6,113) TA
0113 FORMAT(1X,'INPUT LANGUAGE :',A1)
C READ THE GRAMMAR
0080 J = 0
0081 GRAM = SEARCH(GRAMMA)
0082 TG = GRAM
0083 12 I = CAR(GRAM)
0084 L = 0
0085 J = J+1
0086 CALL PROP(CAR(T),RULE,J)
0087 13 L = L+1
0088 K = CAR(I)
0089 IF(AF(K).NE.1) K = COPY(K)
0090 COMP(J,L) = K
0091 IF(CDR(I).EQ.0) GOTO 15
0092 T = CDR(I)
0093 GOTO 13
0094 15 IF(CDR(GRAM).EQ.0) GOTO 20
0095 GRAM = CDR(GRAM)
0096 GOTO 12
0100 20 CALL ERASE(I)
C READ THE NETWORKS
0101 NETS = SEARCH(BEFORE)
0102 IF(NETS.EQ.0) GOTO 26
0103 LAB = BEFORE
0104 23 IN = NETS
0105 21 CALL PROP(CAR(CAR(IN)),LAB,CDR(CAR(IN)))
0106 IN = CDR(IN)
0107 IF(IN.NE.0) GOTO 21
0108 IF(LAB.EQ.AFTER) GOTO 27
0109 26 NETS = SEARCH(AFTER)
0110 LAB = AFTER
0111 IF(NETS.NE.0) GOTO 23

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```

C READ INFERENCE TREES
0116 27 SYNTRE = SEARCH (SYNTR)
0117     SEMTRE = SEARCH (SEMTR)
0118     FUNTRE = SEARCH (FUNCTR)
0119 25 CALL NEW (NSTATS)
0120     CALL NEW (I0)
0121     CALL NEW (NSTATS)
0122 30 WRITE (6,1002)
0123 1002 FORMAT (1X, 'GIVE INPUT SENTENCE')
0124     WORDS = 0

C SENTENCE COMES IN
0125     INP = RLIST(0,I,1)
0126     IF (INP.EQ.0) GOTO 550
0128     I = INP
0129     IF (INP.EQ.TRACE) TR = 1
0131     IF (INP.EQ.UNDO) TR = 0
0133     IF ((INP.EQ.TRACE).OR.(INP.EQ.UNDO)) GOTO 30
0135     INPP = INP
0136     IF (INPP.EQ.0) GOTO 550
0138 35 J = SEARCH (CAR(I))
0139     IF (CDR(I).EQ.0) GOTO 40
0141     I = CDR(I)
0142     GOTO 35
0143 40 CONTINUE
0144     WRITE (6,1003)
0145 1003 FORMAT (1X/1X, 'IN:')
0146     CALL PRLIST (INP,1,6)
0147     IF (TR.EQ.1) WRITE (6,1004)
0149 1004 FORMAT (1X, 'CONFIGURATIONS IN THE STATESPACE:')
D45 TR = 1

C TAKE NEW WORD
0150 50 WORD = CAR (INPP)
0151     WORDS = WORDS + 1
D WRITE (6,102)
0102 FORMAT (1X/1X)
D CALL PRLIST (WORD,16,6)
D WRITE (6,1005) WORDS
D1005 FORMAT (1H+, 'WORD NR :',I3)
0152     CALL GET (WORD,-1,IMORE)
0153     IF (IMORE.EQ.0) GOTO 550

C
C CONSTRUCT INITIAL STRUCTURE
C
D WRITE (6,104)
0104 FORMAT (1X, '.I. INITIAL PARTICLES :')
0155     CALL NEW (K)
0156     WLST = K
0157     CAR (K) = WORD
0158 1 CALL NEW (L)
0159     CALL APPEND (K,L,K)
0160     CAR (L) = CAR (HYPL)
0161     ON = L
0162     HYP = CAR (HYPL)
0163     CALL PROP (WORD,HYP,L)
0164     HYPL = CDR (HYPL)
0165     FLAG = 0

C FOR EACH LEXICAL INFORMATION LINE CONSTRUCT PARTICLE

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0166      FUNC = CAR(CAR(IMORF))
0167      IFUN = 0
0168      IF (AF(FUNC),EQ,1) GOTO 4
0170      IFUN = FUNC
0171  2     FUNC = CAR(IFUN)
0172      IFUN = CDR(IFUN)
0173  32   IF (FLAG,EQ,1) GOTO 3
0175      FLAG = 1
0176      GOTO 4
0177  3     CALL NEW(L)
0178      CALL APPEND (F,L,K)
0179      CAR(L) = CAR(HYPL)
0180      ON = L
0181      HYP = CAR(HYPL)
0182      CALL PROP(WORD,HYP,L)
0183      HYPL = CDR(HYPL)
0184  4     CALL APPEND (L,CAR(IMORF),L)
0185      CALL NEW(F)
0186      CALL APPEND (L,F,L)
0187      IF (WORDS,EQ,1) GOTO 5
0189      CALL PUSH(F,INVS)
0190  5     CALL NEW(J)
0191      CAR(F) = J
0192      CALL APPEND (F,WORDS-1,F)
0193      CDR(F) = ON
0194      CALL GET (FUNC,RULE,IR)
0195      IF (IR,EQ,0) GOTO 550
0197      NNET = 0
0198      ANET = 0
0199      CALL GET (FUNC,BEFORE,NNET)
0200      CALL GET (FUNC,AFTER,ANET)

C (A) WORD
0201      IF (WORDS,NE,1,AND,NNET,NE,0) CAR(J) = CAR(NNET)
0203      CALL APPEND (J,WORD,J)
C (B) INFORMATION SEQUENCE
0204      CALL NEW(I)
0205      CALL APPEND (J,I,J)
C (1) HYPOTHESIS
0206      CAR(I) = HYP
C (2) FUNCTION NAME
0207      CALL APPEND (I,FUNC,I)
C (3) STATE OF FUNCTION FOR AFTER TRANSITIONS
0208      CALL APPEND (I,0,J)
0209      IF (ANET,NE,0) CAR(J) = CAR(ANET)
0211      T = J
C (4) STATE IN CASE NETWORK (UNKNOWN YET)
0212      CALL APPEND (T,0,I)
C ADJUNCTS
0213      IF (COMF(IR,2),EQ,ORJEC) GOTO 6
C (5) EXTERNAL FEATURE COMPLEX * QUAL-MOD-UNDET CHARACTERISTIC
0215      I4 = CDR(CDR(CDR(CDR(CAR(IMORF))))))
0216      CALL APPEND (I,I4,I)
0217      CALL APPEND (I,COMF(IR,9),J)
0218      IF (I4,EQ,0) GOTO 9
0220      I4 = CAR(I4)
0221      IF (I4,EQ,0) GOTO 9
0223      IF (AF(I4),EQ,1,OR,CAR(I4),EQ,NOT,OR,CAR(I4),EQ,

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: AND,OR,CAR(J4),EQ,OR,OR,CAR(I4),EQ,XOP) GOTO 9
0225 CAR(I) = EXT(CAR(CDR(J4)))
0226 GOTO 9
C OBJECTS
C (5) SYNT FEAT COMPLEX
0227 6 J = EXT(CAR(CDR(CDR(CDR(CDR(CAR(IMORF)))))))
0228 CALL APPEND (I,J,I)
C (6) SEM FEAT COMPLEX
0229 CASE = CAR(CDR(CDR(CDR(CAR(IMORF))))))
0230 J = SEARCH(CAR(CDR(CAR(IMORF))))
0231 7 IF(CAR(CAR(J)).EQ,CASE) GOTO 8
0233 J = CDR(J)
0234 IF(J.NE,0) GOTO 7
0236 WRITE(6,1006)
0237 1006 FORMAT (1X, 'MISSING CASE IN FRAME ')
0238 GOTO 94
0239 8 CALL APPEND (I,EXT(CAR(CDR(CAR(J))))),I)
C (7) CASE (UNKNOWN YET EXCEPT FOR ADJUNCTIVE OBJECTS)
0240 CALL APPEND (I,0,I)
C
0241 9 IF(TR.EQ,1) CALL PRLIST(CAR(CAR(L)),1,6)
0243 IF(IFUN.NE,0) GOTO 2
0245 IMORF = CDR(IMORF)
0246 IF(IMORF.NE,NIL) GOTO 1
0248 VECT(WORDS) = CDR(WLIST)
0249 IF(WORDS.EQ,1) GOTO 111
D WRITE(6,557)
D557 FORMAT (1X, '.IT. MERGING')
C
C START PARSING
C
0251 CALL CONTR
0252 111 IF(CDR(INPP).EQ,0) GOTO 10
0254 INPP = CDR(INPP)
0255 GOTO 50
C
C COMPUTE SEMANTIC STRUCTURES
0256 10 FINL = VECT(WORDS)
0257 HYP1 = HYP1
0258 T = 0
0259 WRITE (6,440)
0260 440 FORMAT (1X/1X, 'FUNCTIONAL AND CASE STRUCTURES :')
0261 CALL CLOSE(4)
0262 93 HYP = CAR(FINL)
0263 FEAT = CAR(CDR(HYP))
0264 CONF = CDR(CDR(HYP))
0265 92 IF(CAR(CDR(CAR(CONF))).NE,0) GOTO 90
0267 J = CDR(CAR(CAR(CONF)))
0268 CALL FUN(I)
0269 IF(I.EQ,0) GOTO 90
0271 T = T+1
0272 CALL CAS(I)
0273 90 CONF = CDR(CONF)
0274 IF(CONF.EQ,0) GOTO 91
0276 GOTO 92
0277 91 FINL = CDR(FINL)
0278 IF(FINL.NE,0) GOTO 93
0280 IF (T.EQ,0) WRITE (6,556)
0282 556 FORMAT (1X, 'NO STRUCTURE FOR GIVEN INPUT')
0283 94 CONTINUE
D TR = 0
0284 WRITE(6,555) 3000-IFEEF
0285 555 FORMAT (1X/1X 'MEMORY CELLS LEFT:'I4)
0286 CALL CLOSE(4)
0287 CALL ASSIGN(4, 'INFO.DAT',0)
0288 CALL FORSET(4, 'UNKNOWN')
0289 DEFINE FILE 4(5001,41,U,TRC)
0290 GOTO 30
0291 550 CONTINUE
0292 END

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parser implementation

### 3.2.3 The general control structure

CONTR

parameters: none

operation:

The subroutine CONTR is the actual control program of the parser. It takes two configurations and sends them to the subroutine LR which performs the linguistic processes (computation of parsing predicates and creation of new particles).

The subroutine operates on the basis of a tasklist and a task is a configuration in a particle that is to be investigated. The main program places the initial tasks on this tasklist (called INVES) and whenever new particles have been made (by LR) they are placed on the tasklist to see whether new combinations are possible.

CONTR takes one configuration from the tasklist. According to the principle that a particle can only merge with particles bordering on its domain, CONTR scans all particles depending on each hypothesis node of the word immediately before the domain of a given particle. When these particles are not locked, they are made subject to the linguistic processor. Moreover a pointer is provided to which part of the particle the other particle is supposed to be related. If the particle has been processed, we go back to the tasklist to see if there are still other particles.

The final part of CONTR contains the procedure to attach configurations to the relevant hypothesis node and to 'lock' a particle if told so by the linguistic processor.

code:



parser implementation

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0001      SUBROUTINE CONTR
0002      IMPLICIT INTEGER (A-W)
0003      LOGICAL*1 ALF(10)
0004      LOGICAL*1 AF
0005      COMMON CAR(3000),CDR(3000),AF(3000)
0006      COMMON /CONF/ CONF(30,10)
0007      COMMON /CODE/ LOCK,RULE,BEFORE,AFTER,TRUE,FALSE,UNDEF,FUNCTW,
      * SYNNET,FRAME,OBJEC,UNMA,PREDIC
0008      COMMON/INVES/ INVES,NSTATS,LO
0009      COMMON /VECT/ VECT(30),WORDS
0010      COMMON /V/ VERB
0011      COMMON/PDS/ PDS,PDS?
0012      COMMON /IFREE/ IFREE
0013      DATA ALF/'A','B','C','D','E','F','G','H','I','J'/
0014      S = NSTATS
      D
      A = 0
      C TAKE TASK FROM TASKLIST
0015      1 IF(CAR(INVES).EQ.0) GOTO 10
0017      CALL POPUP(CONF,INVES)
0018      STRUCT = CAR(CONF)
0019      OWOR = CAR(CDR(CONF))
      D
      A = A+1
      D
      WRITE(6,101) ALF(A)
      D101  FORMAT (1X, '(,A1,')')
      D
      WRITE(6,100)
      D100  FORMAT (1X, '**** TRY TO EXPAND CONFIGURATION :')
      D
      CALL PRLIST(STRUCT,5,6)
0020      OHYP = VECT(OWOR)
      D
      WRITE(6,102) OWOR
      D102  FORMAT ('** BY COMBINING IT WITH CONFIG OF WORD NR.,I3)
      D
      T1 = 0
      C GET PARTICLES BORDERING ON INVESTIGATED CONFIG
0021      2 OHYP = CAR(OHYP)
      D
      T1 = T1 + 1
      D
      CALL PRLIST(CAR(OHYP),22,6)
      D
      WRITE(6,107) T1
      D107  FORMAT (1H+,I2, '. FOR HYPOTHESIS :')
      D
      T2 = 0
0022      OCONF = CDR(CDR(OHYP))
0023      OCONF = CAR(OCONF)
0024      IF(CAR(CAR(OCONF)).EQ.LOCK) GOTO 199
0026      I = CAR(CDR(CAR(CDR(CDR(CAR(OCONF))))))
0027      J = CAR(CDR(CAR(CDR(CDR(CAR(OCONF))))))
0028      IF(I.EQ.VERB.AND.J.EQ.VERB) GOTO 199
      D
      T2 = T2 + 1
      D
      WRITE(6,103) T1,T2
      D103  FORMAT (3X, I2, I2, ', ', I2, ', ', ' CONFIGURATION :')
      D
      CALL PRLIST(CAR(OCONF),4,6)
      D
      T3 = 0
0030      IF(CAR(CAR(OCONF)).EQ.PREDIC) GOTO 204
      C CALL LINGUISTIC PROCESSOR FOR LEFT TO RIGHT COMBINATION
      D
      WRITE(6,104)
      D104  FORMAT (5X '=> FROM LEFT TO RIGHT')
0032      CALL LP(CONE,OCONF,0,CDR(CAR(CONF)))
0033      204 CONTINUE
      C CALL LINGUISTIC PROCESSOR FOR RIGHT TO LEFT COMBINATION
      C FOR EACH "RIGHTMOST NODE " IN THE STRUCTURE

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D      WRITE(6,105)
D105  FORMAT (5X,'<= FROM RIGHT TO LEFT')
0034  I = CDR(CAR(OCONF))
0035  POIN = I
0036  201  I = CDR(I)
0037  200  IF(CDR(I).NE.0) GOTO 196
D      CALL PRLIST(CAR(POIN),29,6)
D      T3 = T3 + 1
D      WRITE(6,106) T1,T2,T3
D106  FORMAT (1H+,7X,I2,'.',I2,'.',I2,'.'. FOR WORD :')
0039  CALL LR(OCONF,CONF,1,POIN)
0040  197  IF(CAR(PDS1).EQ.0) GOTO 199
0042  CALL POPUP(I,PDS1)
0043  CALL POPUP(POIN,PDS2)
0044  IF(T.EQ.0) GOTO 199
0046  GOTO 200
0047  196  IF(CAR(CDR(I)).EQ.0) GOTO 197
0049  I = CDR(I)
0050  CALL PUSH(I,PDS)
0051  CALL PUSH(POIN,PDS2)
0052  I = CAR(I)
0053  POIN = I
0054  GOTO 201
0055  199  IF(CDR(OCONF).EQ.0) GOTO 202
0057  OCONF = CDR(OCONF)
0058  GOTO 203
0059  202  CONTINUE
0060  3    IF(CR(OHYPL).EQ.0) GOTO 1
0062  OHYPL = CDR(OHYPL)
0063  GOTO 2
C ATTACH RESULTING PARTICLES AND LOCK
0064  10  NSTATS = 5
0065  12  IF(CAR(NSTATS).EQ.0) GOTO 13
0067  CALL POPUP(J,NSTATS)
0068  CONF = J
0069  NHYP = CDR(CDR(CONF))
0070  I = CDR(NHYP)
0071  11  J = CDR(I)
0072  IF(CDR(I).NE.0) GOTO 11
0074  CALL APPEND (I,J,I)
0075  GOTO 12
0076  13  IF(CAR(LO).EQ.0) RETURN
0078  CALL POPUP(I,LO)
0079  CAR(CAR(I)) = LOCK
0080  GOTO 13
0081  END

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parser implementation

### 3.2.4. The linguistic processor.

LR

parameters : none

operation:

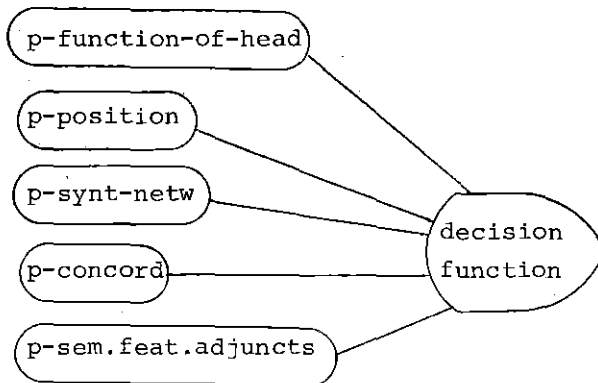
This subroutine performs two main tasks:

- (i) The computation of the parsing predicates, and
- (ii) The construction of new configurations when merging two particles. This first task is further subdivided in two main areas (a) the execution of the parsing predicates for adjuncts and functionwords and (b) the execution of the parsing predicates for objects.

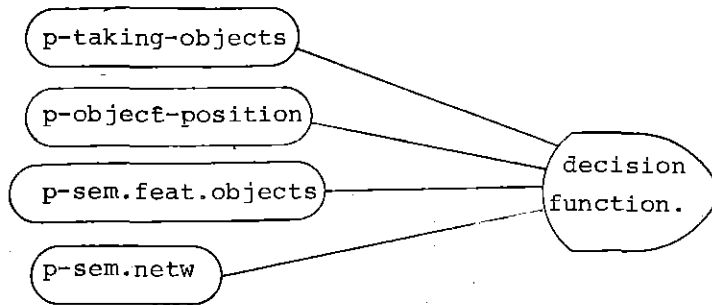
After the necessary preparation (such as getting the relevant information pointers into the lexicon and to the syntactic rules) we start computing the parsing predicates.

When considering the whole set of parsing predicates and in particular and in particular the domains for which they are defined we come to the following scheme:

- (i) predicates for adjuncts and function words:



(ii) predicates for objects:

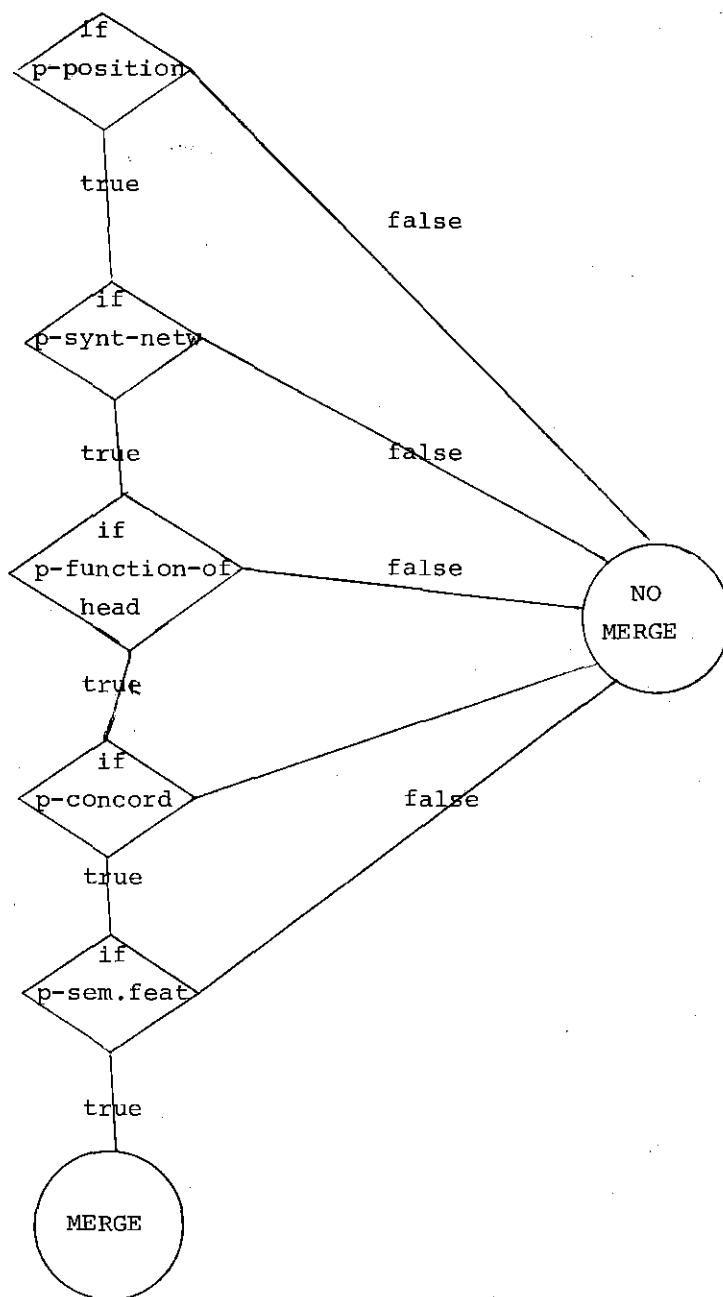


For the investigation and development of the system at the current state of knowledge and on computers which do not allow parallel computation (except by sequential simulation) we decided to implement a sequential instead of a perceptron like control structure, that means: we apply each predicate after the other one and as soon as one predicate fails we abandon the idea of merging. We stress that this method will fail to account for the various points which were given in favour of a perceptron control. Nevertheless the sequential control structure proves to be extremely useful in research for the grammar, i.e. the strict contents of linguistic knowledge; we want to know precisely how far the linguistic information goes and where it rejects.

We found out that the following flow of control is most efficient, that means the fastest rejection of a possible merging by as little as possible of computation.

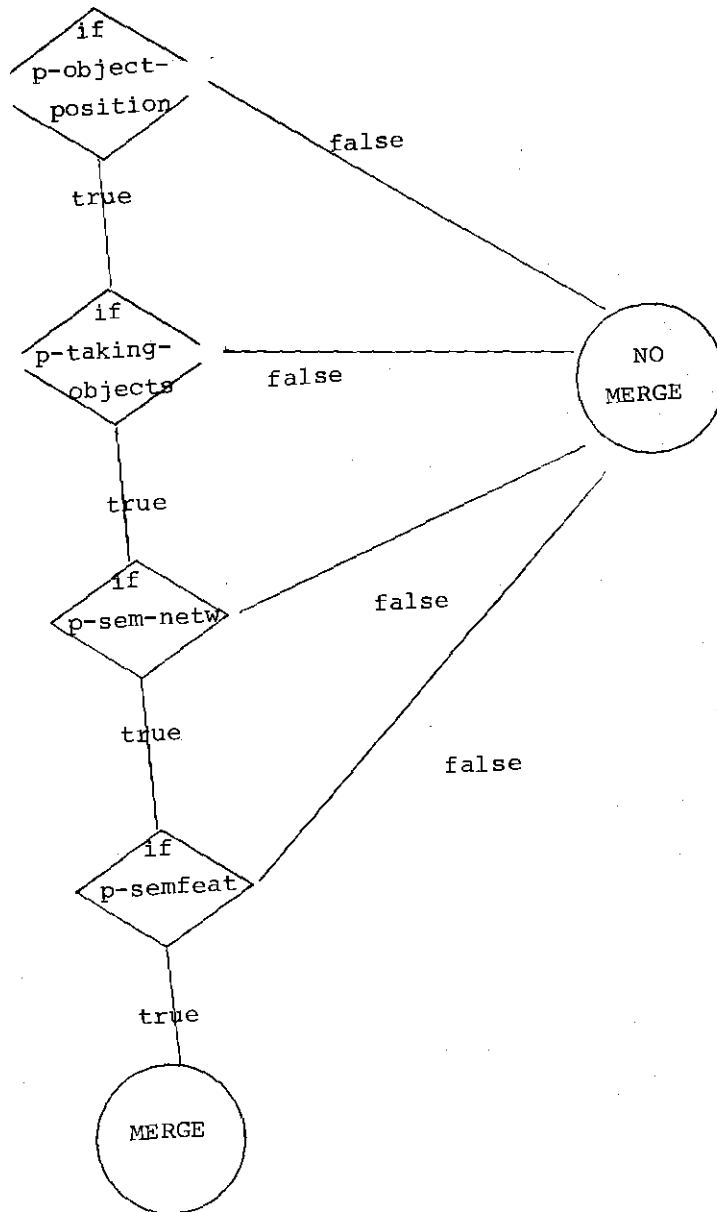
(i) for adjuncts/functionwords:

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for objects:



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A deviation occurs for objective adjuncts which follow the flow of control of adjuncts except that instead of the p-position predicate comes the p-object-position predicate.

Similarly for adjunctive objects, they follow the control structure of objects except that instead of the p-object-position predicate, the p-position predicate is used.

Now we give some comments on the computation of the predicates themselves. In principle each time a predicate is true, a message is produced, and when it is false another message is produced and we return back to the calling routine CONTR.

#### (1) Networks

We prepare the call to NETW by (i) getting the networks and (ii) constructing a special list format for the function which acts as condition of the transition.

Then we call the routine NETW which performs a transition if allowed by the data, and filter out the result in the main routine.

#### (2) Function-of-head/position

When the networks have been unsuccessful we check on the basis of the grammar itself whether the function-of-head/ or taking-objects rule and the position or object-position rule respectively applies. If successful we proceed, else the linguistic processor returns control to CONTR.

From now on the parsing predicates computation is performed in two separate parts:

#### (A) ADJUNCTS and FUNCTIONWORDS

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### (3) Syntactic features

If the grammar prescribes agreement we fetch the relevant feature complexes and send them to the MATCH routines. If the result is false, control shifts back to the CONTR program. Moreover if the grammar prescribes sending through features to the head, the relevant preparation is performed and the features are sent-through by means of the subroutine COMB.

### (4) Semantic features

Finally we do the semantic features test for adjuncts which is mainly located in the subroutine FRAMES. A complication arises in getting the relevant information in certain verbal constructions where the semantic features test is performed on the subject of the verb. If the FRAMES test is positive we go to the second main part of the IR subroutine: the construction of new information structures.

## (B ) OBJECTS

### (1) Surface case signals

For objects we perform after the order/rerelations environment tests the tests of surface case signals. To this purpose we compute the relevant surface case networks by means of viewpoint and function . Then we call the NETW program that consults the semantic networks and delivers a (possibly empty) list of triples syntactic features/states/cases.

### (2) Semantic features

Finally we compute the semantic features associated with the case slots found by the surface case processing and perform a match with the semantic features associated with that word. If there is at least one case for which a match is successful we construct new configurations.



## II. New configurations

The construction of new configurations is a complex book keeping task.

### (1) Changes in the subordinate

First of all we make a copy of the configuration of the subordinate and change the information resulting as a side effect from the execution of the parsing predicates.

### (2) Particle superstructure

Then we construct a copy of the configuration of the head and attach the old configuration to the new one. This is a quite complex process. Not only do we need to add information about the domain, e.g., but we also have to look into the structure of the head configuration if the subordinate is not attached on the topnode. This is done by a subroutine NPOINT (to be discussed soon).

### (3) Changes in head configuration

Finally we make the changes in the information of the head configuration as specified earlier. A special procedure comes then into operation for verbs, in particular we reverse the usual head-subordinate structure. This turns out to lead to a more efficient semantic structuring process and to a more efficient representation for the rest of the parsing process.

code:

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```

0001      SUBROUTINE LR(NCONF, OCONF, F, POIN)
0002      IMPLICIT INTEGER (A-X)
0003      LOGICAL*1 AF
0004      COMMON CAR(3000), CDR(3000), AF(3000)
0005      COMMON LOG, AND, OR, XOR, NOT
0006      COMMON /INF TRE/ SYNTRE, SEMTRE, FUNTRE
0007      COMMON /CONF/ CONF(30,10)
0008      COMMON /CODE/ LOCK, RULE, BEFORE, AFTER, TRUE, FALSE, UNDET, FUNCTW,
      * SYNNET, FRAME, OBJEC, UNMA, PREDIC
0009      COMMON/INVS/ INVS, NSTATS, LO
0010      COMMON /FIN/ FIN, TR
0011      COMMON /IFREE/IFREE
0012      COMMON /COD2/ MOD, QUAL, ADJU
0013      COMMON/ADD/ SYNAFT, VERBAL, CASE1
0014      C INITIALIZE CHANGE INDICATORS
0015      OSEM = 0
0016      ANEWS = 0
0017      RES = 0
0018      OSYN = 0
0019      IN = 0
0020      OUTP = 0
0021      ICASE = 0
0022      NSEM = 0
0023      NSYN = 0
0024      CHAR = 0
0025      NEWS = 0
0026      CASEST = 0
0027      STYP = 0
0028      OU = 0
0029      NRES = 0
0030      D OU = 1
0031      C GET RELEVANT INFORMATION POINTERS
0032      NSTRUC = CDR(CAR(NCONF))
0033      STRUCT = CAR(NCONF)
0034      OSTRUC = CDR(CAR(OCONF))
0035      CALL GET (CAR(OSTRUC), CAR(CAR(CDR(OSTRUC))), OHYP)
0036      CALL GET(CAR(POIN), CAR(CAR(CDR(POIN))), NHYP)
0037      C GET LEXICON INFORMATION (O/N-FEAT)
0038      OFEAT = CAR(CDR(OHYP))
0039      NFEAT = CAR(CDR(NHYP))
0040      C GET INFORMATION SEQUENCE (O/I-INF)
0041      OINF = CAR(CDR(OSTRUC))
0042      NINF = CAR(CDR(POIN))
0043      C GET FUNCTION (O/N-FUNC)
0044      OFUNC = CAR(CDR(OINF))
0045      NFUNC = CAR(CDR(NINF))
0046      C GET SYNTACTIC RULE (O/I-RULE)
0047      CALL GET(NFUNC, RULE, NRULE)
0048      CALL GET(OFUNC, RULE, ORULE)
0049      C (1) NETWORKS
0050      C (A) GET NETWORK
0051      1 IF(F.EQ.0) CALL GET (NFUNC, BEFORE, NNET)
0052      IF(F.EQ.1) CALL GET (NFUNC, AFTER, NNET)
0053      IF(NNET.EQ.0) GOTO 2
0054      C (B) GET STATE
0055      IF(F.EQ.0) NSTATE = CAR(CAR(NCONF))
0056      IF(F.EQ.1) NSTATE = CAR(CDR(CDR(NINF)))

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0052     IF(NSTATE.EQ.Ø) NSTATE = CAR(NNET)
0054     INFTR = CAR(CDR(NNET))
0055     NNET = CAR(CDR(CDR(NNET)))
C(C) PREPARE INPUT FOR NETW
0056     CALL NEW(COND)
0057     CALL NEW(J)
0058     CAR(I) = OFUNC
0059     CAR(COND) = I
0060     L = Ø
0061     J = NSTATE
C(D) CONSULT
0062     I = NETW(COND,NSTATE,L,K,NNET,INFTR,FUNTR)
0063     CALL ERASE (COND)
0064     IF(I.EQ.Ø) GOTO 2
C(E) FILTER
0066     CALL NEW(NEWS)
0067     L = NEWS
0068     I = K
0069     11  IF(I.EQ.Ø) GOTO 12
0071     CALL ADD(CAR(CDR(CAR(I))),NEWS)
0072     I = CDR(I)
0073     GOTO 11
0074     12  NEWS = CDR(NEWS)
0075     CALL BACK(L)
Ø      CALL PRLIST (J,35,6)
Ø      WRITE (6,100)
Ø100  FORMAT (1H+,7X,'SUCCESSFUL TRANSITION FROM')
Ø      CALL PRLIST (NEWS,31,6)
Ø      WRITE(6,300)
0076     300  FORMAT (1H+,7X,'TO THE NEW STATE(S) :')
0077     IF (F.EQ.1) ANEWS = NEWS
0079     IF (F.EQ.1) NEWS = Ø
0081     GOTO 3
C(2) FUNCTION OF HEAD / POSITION
0082     2   POS = Ø
0083     IF(COMP(ORULE,3).EQ.OBJEC) POS = COMP(NRULE,6)
0085     IF(COMP(ORULE,3).NE.OBJEC) POS = COMP(ORULE,5)
0087     IF(POS.EQ.Ø) GOTO 1001
0089     IF(F.EQ.Ø.AND.POS.EQ.AFTER) GOTO 1001
0091     IF(F.EQ.1.AND.POS.EQ.BEFORE) GOTO 1001
0093     CALL NEW(COND)
0094     CALL NEW(I)
0095     CAR(I) = NEUNC
0096     CAR(COND) = I
0097     I=MATCH(COMP(ORULE,4),COND,FUNTR)
0098     IF(I.EQ.Ø) GOTO 1001
Ø      WRITE(6,101)
Ø101  FORMAT (ØX,'SUCCESSFUL ORDER AND RELATIONS ENVIRONMENT TESTS')
C(3) SYNT FEATURES
0100     3   IF(COMP(ORULE,3).EQ.OBJEC) GOTO 6
0102     IF(COMP(ORULE,7).NE.TRUE) GOTO 35
C(I) GET FEATURES
0104     NDOM = CAR(CDR(CDR(CDR(CDR(NINF)))))
0105     OFEAS = CAR(CDR(CDR(CDR(CDR(OFEAT)))))
0106     IF (AF(OFEAS).EQ.1) GOTO 31
0108     IF (CAR(OFEAS).EQ.AND.OR.CAR(OFEAS).EQ.OR.OR.CAR(OFEAS)
* .EQ.XOR.OR.CAR(OFEAS).EQ.NOT) GOTO 31

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0110     NFEAS = CAR(OFEAS)
0111 31  CONTINUE
      C(II) MATCHING
      D   WRITE (6,103)
      D103 FORMAT (8X,'MATCH THE FOLLOWING FEATURE COMPLEXES:')
      D   CALL PRLIST (OFEAS,R,6)
      D   CALL PRLIST (NDDM,R,6)
0112     RES = MATCH (OFEAS, NDDM,SYNTRE)
0113     IF (RES.EQ.0) GOTO 1002
0115 44  CONTINUE
      D   WRITE (6,102)
      D102 FORMAT (8X,'RESULTING DOMAIN:')
      D   CALL PRLIST (RES,R,6)
0116     NSYN = RES
      C (III) SEND-THROUGH
0117 35  IF (COMP(ORULF,R).NE.TRUE) GOTO 4
0119     IF (RES.NE.0) RES = COPY(RES)
0121     IF (RES.EQ.0) RES = CAR(CDR(CDR(CDR(CDR(NINF))))))
0123     NSYN = COMB (EXT(CAR(CDR(CDR(CDR(CDR(CDR(OFEAT))))))),RES)
      D   WRITE (6,106)
      D106 FORMAT (8X,'NEW FEATURE COMPLEX:')
      D   CALL PRLIST (NSYN,R,6)
      C (4) SEMANTIC FEATURES TEST
0124 4   IF (COMP(ORULE,9).EQ.0) GOTO 5
      C(I) SEARCH INFORMATION SEQUENCES
0126     INFEAT = NFEAT
0127     ININF = NINF
0128     INRULE = NRULE
0129     IF (OFUNC.NE.VERBAL) GOTO 41
0131     SUBJ = CAR(CDR(CDR(CDR(STRUCT))))
0132     IF (CAR(CDR(CDR(NINF))).NE.FIN) GOTO 1003
0134     CALL GET (CAR(SUBJ),CAR(CAR(CDR(SUBJ))),INHYP)
0135     INFEAT = CAR(CDR(INHYP))
0136     ININF = CAR(CDR(SUBJ))
0137     CALL GET (CAR(INFEAT),RULE,INRULE)
0138 41  I = 0
0139     IF (COMP(INRULE,2).EQ.OBJEC) I =
      : CAR(CDR(CDR(CDR(CDR(CDR(ININF))))))
0141     STYP = COMP(ORULE,9)
0142     NRES = FRAMES (INFEAT,OFEAT,STYP,I)
0143     IF (NRES.EQ.0) GOTO 1003
      D   WRITE (6,107)
      D107 FORMAT (8X,'SEMANTIC FEATURES MATCH SUCCESSFUL, DOMAIN :')
      D   CALL PRLIST(NRES,R,6)
0145     IN = 1
0146     GOTO 5
      C
      C(B) OBJECT
      C
      C(1) SEMANTIC NETWORKS FOR SURFACE CASE SIGNALS
0147 6   ROLES = SEARCH (CAR(CDR(NFEAT)))
0148     NROLE = CAR(CDR(CDR(CDR(NFEAT))))
0149     CALL NEW (NFUNS)
0150     CALL NEW (I)
0151     CAR(NFUNS) = I
0152     CAR (I) = MFUNC
0153 61  IF (CAR(CAR(ROLES)).EQ.NROLE) GOTO 62

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0155     ROLES = CDR(ROLES)
0156     IF (ROLES.EQ.NROLE) GOTO 62
0158     IF (ROLES.EQ.0) GOTO 1005
0160     GOTO 61
0161 62   ASSO = CDR(CDR(CAR(ROLES)))
0162     IF (ASSO.EQ.0) GOTO 1005
0164 63   IF (MATCH(CAR(CAR(ASSO)),NFUNS,FUNTRF,NF,0) GOTO 64
0166     ASSO = CDR(ASSO)
0167     IF (ASSO.EQ.0) GOTO 1005
0169     GOTO 63
0170 64   NNET = CDR(CAR(ASSO))
0171     FEATS = CAR(CDR(CDR(CDR(CDR(OINF)))))
0       WRITE (6,109)
0109  D   FORMAT (BX, 'CONSULT CASE FRAMES WITH SYNT FEATURES :')
0       CALL PRLIST (FEATS,8,6)
0172     CASEST = CAR(CDR(CDR(CDR(NINF))))
0173     IF (CASEST.EQ.0) CASEST = CAR(NNET)
0175     IF (CASEST.EQ.0) GOTO 1006
0177     S = NETW(FEATS,CASEST,0,OUTP,CAR(CDR(CDR(NNET)))
       :   ,CAR(CDR(NNET)),SYNTRE)
0178     IF (OUTP.EQ.0) GOTO 1006
0       WRITE (6,111)
0111  D   FORMAT (BX, 'SUCCESSFUL TRANSITION IN SEMANTIC NETWORKS'
       :   /BX, 'RESULTING TRIPLES (FEATURES * STATE * CASE)')
***** C
0       CALL PRLIST (OUTP,8,6)
0       C SEMANTIC FEATURES
0       D   WRITE (6,114)
0114  D   FORMAT (BX, 'MATCH THE FOLLOWING SEMANTIC FEATURES ')
0180  D   SEMF = CAR(CDR(CDR(CDR(CDR(CDR(OINF)))))
0       CALL PRLIST (SEMF,8,6)
0       D   WRITE (6,112)
0112  D   FORMAT (BX, 'WITH FEATURES OF RESP. CASES ')
0181  D   I = OUTP
0182  D   CALL NEW (OUTP)
0183  D   IL = OUTP
0184 65   ICASE = CAR(CDR(CDR(CAR(I))))
0185  D   CALL PRLIST (ICASE,8,6)
0186  D   OROLES = SEARCH (CAR(CDR(NFEAT)))
0187 69   IF (CAR(CAR(OROLES)).EQ.ICASE) GOTO 66
0189  D   OROLES = CDR(OROLES)
0190  D   IF (OROLES.EQ.0) GOTO 1005
0192  D   GOTO 69
0193 66   OSEMF = CAR(CDR(CAR(OROLES)))
0       D   CALL PRLIST (OSEMF,8,6)
0194  D   J = MATCH(OSEMF,SEMF,SENTRE)
0195  D   IF (J.EQ.0) GOTO 68
0       D   WRITE (6,116)
0116  D   FORMAT (BX, 'SEM FEATURES MATCH SUCCESSFUL')
0197  D   CALL APPEND (CDR(CDR(CAR(I))),J,L)
0198  D   CALL APPEND (OUTP,CAR(I),OUTP)
0199  D   IN = IN + 1
0200  D   GOTO 67
0201 68   CONTINUE
0       D   WRITE (6,117)
0117  D   FORMAT (BX, 'NO SEM FEATURES MATCH')
0202 67   I = CDR(I)

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0203     IF (I.NE.0) GOTO 65
0205     IF (CDR(IL).EQ.0) GOTO 1007
0207     OUTP = CDR(IL)
0208     CALL BACK(IL)
0209     IF (I.EQ.0.AND.IN.EQ.0) GOTO 1007

0211  S   CONTINUE
      D   WRITE(6,105)
0105  D105  FORMAT (1X, ' >>>> ALL TESTS SUCCESSFUL. NEW CONFIGURATION :')
0212     DO 58 IO = 1,IN
0213     IF (OUTP.EQ.0) GOTO 59
0215     OSYNTF = CAR(CAR(OUTP))
0216     NSEM = CAP(CDR(CDR(CDR(CAR(OUTP)))))
0217     ICASE = CAR(CDR(CDR(CAR(OUTP))))
0218     CASEST = CAR(CDR(CAR(OUTP)))
0219     OUTP = CDR(OUTP)

      C(1) CHANGES IN SUBORDINATE CONFIGURATION
0220  59   ONEW = COPY (USTRUC)
0221     FES = CDR(CAR(CDR(ONEW)))
0222     IF (COMF(ORULE,2).NE.OBJEC) GOTO 193
      C (A) FOR OBJECTS
0224     I3 = CDR(CDR(CDR(FES)))
      C(I) SYNT FEAT
0225     IF (CAR(I3).NE.0) CALL ERASE(CAR(I3))
0227     CAR (I3) = OSYNTF
      C(II) SEM FEAT
0228     IF (CAR(CDR(I3)).NE.0) CALL ERASE(CAR(CDR(I3)))
0230     CAR(CDR(I3)) = NSEM
      C(III) CASE
0231     CAR(CDR(CDR(I3))) = ICASE
0232     GOTO 194
      C (B) ANJUNCTS
0233  193  IF (OFUNC.EQ.VERBAL) CAR (CDR(CDR(CDR(FES)))) =
      *     NSYN
0235     IF (OFUNC.EQ.SYNET) CAR(CDR(FES)) = FIN
0237     IF (STYP.NE.0) CAR(CDR(CDR(CDR(CDR(FES)))))) = STYP
      C(2) CONSTRUCT PARTICLE SUPERSTRUCTURE
0239  194  CALL NEW(NSTATE)
0240     NSTRUC = COPY(CAR(NCONF))
0241     CAR(NSTATE) = NSTRUC

      C RANGE
0242     IF (F.EQ.1) GOTO 201
      C FOR DIRECTION LEFT TO RIGHT
0244  200  CALL APPEND (NSTATE,CAR(CDR(NCONF)),J)
0245     CDR(J) = CDR(CDR(NCONF))
0246     CALL PUSH(NCONF,L0)
0247     GOTO 207
      C FOR DIRECTION RIGHT TO LEFT
0248  201  CALL APPEND (NSTATE,CAR(CDR(NCONF)),J)
0249     CDR(J) = CDR(CDR(NCONF))
0250     CALL PUSH(NCONF,L0)
      C PUSH ON NSTATS,INVS,LOCK
0251  207  IF (CAR(CDR(NSTATE)).NE.0) CALL PUSH(NSTATE,INVS)
0253     CALL PUSH(NSTATE,NSTATS)

      C MERGE
0254     PRFL = 0
0255     WOR = CAR(POIN)

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0256     HYPO = CAR(CAR(CDR(NPOINT)))
0257     ISTRUC = CDR(NSTRUC)
0258     NPOINT = NPOINT (ISTRUC,WDR,HYPO)
0259     I = CDR(NPOINT)
0260     K = CDR(CDR(CAR(I)))
0261 192   IF(CDR(I).EQ.0) GOTO 190
0263     IF(CAR(CDR(I)).EQ.0) GOTO 191
0265     I = CDR(I)
0266     GOTO 192
0267 191   CALL BACK(CDR(I))
0268 190   CALL APPEND (I,ONEW,J)
0269     AANH = I
0270     IF(F.NE.0) GOTO 52
0272     J = CDR(ONEW)
0273 53    IF(CDR(I).EQ.0) GOTO 51
0275     IF(CAR(CDR(I)).EQ.0) GOTO 52
0277     I = CDR(I)
0278     GOTO 53
0279 51    CALL APPEND (I,0,1)
0280 52    IF(COMP(ORULE,3).EQ.PREDIC) PREFL = 1
0282     FETS = CDR(CAR(CDR(NPOINT)))

C SYNTACTIC STATE
0283     CAR(NSTRUC) = NEWS
C(3) CHANGES IN HEAD CONFIGURATION
0284 202   IF(ANEWS.NE.0) CAR(CDR(FETS)) = ANEWS
C(II) STATE IN CASE NETWORK
0286 203   I3 = CDR(CDR(CDR(FETS)))
0287     IF(CASEST.NE.0) CAR(CDR(CDR(FETS))) = CASEST

C HEAD IS OBJECT
C(III) SYNTACTIC FEATURE COMPLEX
0289 204   IF(NSYN.EQ.0) GOTO 205
0291     IF(CAR(I3).NE.0) CALL ERASE(CAR(I3))
0293     CAR(I3) = NSYN
0294 205   IF(COMP(NRULE,2).NE.OBJEC) GOTO 206

C(IV) SEM FEATURE COMPLEX
0296     IF(NRES.EQ.0) GOTO 196
0298     IF(CAR(CDR(I3)).NE.0) CALL ERASE(CAR(CDR(I3)))
0300     CAR(CDR(I3)) = NRES
0301     GOTO 196

C HEAD IS ADJUNCT
0302 206   IF(CHAR.NE.0) CAR(CDR(I3)) = CHAR

C VERBS
0304 196   IF(PREFL.EQ.0) GOTO 197
0306     J = AANH
0307     I = CDR(CAR(NSTATE))
0308     CDR(CAR(NSTATE)) = CAR(CDR(J))
0309     CALL APPEND (CDR(CDR(CAR(NSTATE))),I,L)
0310     L = CDR(J)
0311     CALL BACK(L)
0312     CALL APPEND (J,0,J)
0313 198   CAR(CAR(NSTATE)) = PREDIC
0314 197   IF(TR.EQ.1) CALL PRLIST(CAR(NSTATE),R,6)
0316 58    CONTINUE
0317     RETURN

C END MESSAGES
0318 1001  IF(OU.EQ.0) RETURN
D      WRITE(6,1011)

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parser implementation

```
D1011 FORMAT (BX, '* WRONG HEAD OR NO TRANSITION IN SYNT NET')
D
0320 1002 IF(OU.EQ.0) RETURN
D
D1012 FORMAT (BX, '* SYNTACTIC FEATURES MATCH UNSUCCESSFUL')
D
0322 1003 IF(OU.EQ.0) RETURN
D
D1013 FORMAT (BX, '* SEMANTIC FEATURES MATCH UNSUCCESSFUL')
D
0324 1004 IF(OU.EQ.0) RETURN
D
D1014 FORMAT (BX, '* HEAD TAKES NO OBJECTS OR WRONG POSITION')
D
0326 1005 IF(OU.EQ.0) RETURN
D
D1015 FORMAT (BX, '* MISSING CASE OR FUNCTION IN SEM NETWORK')
D
0328 1006 IF (OU.EQ.0) RETURN
D
D1016 FORMAT (BX, '* NO TRANSITION IN SEM NETWORK')
D
0330 1007 IF (OU.EQ.0) RETURN
D
D1017 FORMAT (BX, '* SEMANTIC FEATURES MATCH UNSUCCESSFUL')
D
0332 END
```



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NPOINT

parameters: STRUC, WOR, HYPO

Operation:

This small auxiliary function is used to locate in a configuration (pointed at by STRUC) the information of a word (addressed by WOR) for a certain hypothesis (HYPO). The result is a pointer to a cell where the addressed configuration started.

code:

```
INTEGER FUNCTION NPOINT (ISTRUC,WOR,HYPO)
IMPLICIT INTEGER (A-W)
CALL NEW(PDS)
193 IF(CAR(ISTRUC).NE.WOR) GOTO 190
   IF(CAR(CAR(CDR(ISTRUC))).NE.HYPO) GOTO 190
   NPOINT = ISTRUC
   IF(POS.EQ.0) RETURN
   CALL POPUP(I,PDS)
   GOTO 1
190 ISTRUC = CDR(ISTRUC)
   IF(CDR(ISTRUC).EQ.0) GOTO 192
   IF(CAR(CDR(ISTRUC)).EQ.0) GOTO 192
   CALL PUSH(ISTRUC,PDS)
   ISTRUC = CDR(ISTRUC)
   ISTRUC = CAR(ISTRUC)
   GOTO 193
192 CALL POPUP(ISTRUC,PDS)
   IF(ISTRUC.NE.0) GOTO 190
   WRITE(6,196)
196 FORMAT(1X, 'ERROR IN FINDING ATTACHPOINT IN TREE')
   CALL EXIT
END
```

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## FRAMES

parameters: FEAT1, FEAT2 being two information sequences as found  
in a configuration  
STYPE the qual/mod/undet characteristic  
SEMF (optional) a semantic feature complex.

operation:

FRAMES computes whether the semantic features are compatible.  
Result of FRAMES is NIL if no match (neither for qual nor  
undet) or the resulting semantic features domain if  
a match was successful. Moreover FRAMES decides which  
characteristic holds if possible on the basis of semantic  
features.

code:

```
0001      INTEGER FUNCTION FRAMES (FEAT1,FEAT2,STYPE,SEMF)
0002      IMPLICIT INTEGER (A-W)
0003      LOGICAL*1 AF
0004      COMMON/COOE/ LOCK,RULE,BEFORE,AFTER,TRUE,FALSE,UNDET,FUNCTW,
*      SYNNET,FRAME,OBJEC,UNMA,PREDIC
0005      COMMON/COMF/COMF(30,10)
0006      COMMON/COO2/NOO,QUAL,ADJU
0007      COMMON CAR(3000),CDR(3000),AF(3000)
0008      COMMON/INFTR/SYNTRE,SEMTRE,FIINTRE
C GET CASE FRAMES
0009      FRAMES = 0
0010      IFR = 0
0011      IFRNAM = CAR(CDR(FEAT2))
0012      JFRNAM = CAR(CDR(FEAT1))
0013      IF (IFRNAM.EQ.0.OR.JFRNAM.EQ.0) GOTO 8
0015      JROLES = SEARCH (JFRNAM)
0016      IR = JROLES
0017      IROLES = SEARCH (IFRNAM)
0018      IF (IROLES.EQ.0.OR.JROLES.EQ.0) GOTO 8
C SEARCH FEATURES TO BE SATISFIED
0020      ICASE = CAR(CDR(CDR(CDR(FEAT2))))
0021      2  IF (CAR(CAR(IROLES)).EQ.ICASE) GOTO 3
0023      IROLES = CDR(IROLES)
0024      IF (IROLES.NE.0) GOTO 2
0026      GOTO 10
0027      3  SEMF2 = CAR(CDR(CAR(IROLES)))
0      WRITE (6,1)
D1     FORMAT (8X 'INVESTIGATE THE FOLLOWING SEM.FEATURES:')
D      CALL PRLIST (SEMF2,8,6)
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0028 C SEARCH FEATURES OF SLOT FILLER
      IF (STYPE.EQ.MOD) GOTO 7
0030 C (A) QUALIFYING
      IF (SEMF.NE.0) GOTO 6
0032 JCASE = CAR(CDR(CDR(CDR(FEAT1))))
0033 4 IF (CAR(CAR(JRULES)).EQ.JCASE) GOTO 5
0035 JRULES = CDR(JRULES)
0036 IF (JRULES.NE.0) GOTO 4
0038 GOTO 12
0039 5 SEMF = EXT(CAR(CDR(CAR(JRULES))))
      C COMPARE
0040 6 FRAMES = MATCH (SEMF2,SEMF,SEMTRE)
      D CALL PRLIST (SEMF,8,6)
0041 IF (FRAMES.EQ.0) GOTO 7
0043 IFR = FRAMES
      C (B) MODIFYING
0044 IF (STYPE.EQ.QUAL) RETURN
0046 IF (STYPE.EQ.UNDET) STYPE = QUAL
0048 7 ISEMF = EXT(CAR(CDR(CAR(JR))))
      C COMPARE
      D CALL PRLIST (ISEMF,8,6)
0049 FRAMES = MATCH (SEMF2,ISEMF,SEMTRE)
0050 IF (FRAMES.EQ.0) GOTO 12
0052 IF (STYPE.EQ.QUAL) STYPE = UNDET
0054 12 IF (IFR.NE.0) FRAMES = IFR
0056 RETURN
      C ERRORS
0057 8 WRITE (6,9)
0058 9 FORMAT (1X,'MISSING FRAME')
0059 RETURN
0060 10 WRITE (6,11)
0061 11 FORMAT (1X,'MISSING CASE IN FRAME ')
0062 RETURN
0063 END

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### 3.3. The computation of the structures

We present now three subroutines which extract the linguistic information structures defined earlier from the particles. The implementation of this subroutines is mainly due to K. De Smedt:

#### (i) Functional structures

FUN

parameters: CONF (a configuration)

operation:

FUN computes the functional structure and prints it on an output device

```
code:      0001      SUBROUTINE FUN (CONF)
           0002      IMPLICIT INTEGER (A-W)
           0003      LOGICAL*1 AF
           0004      COMMON/FIN/FIN,TR
           0005      COMMON CAR(3000),CDR(3000),AF(3000)
           0006      IF(CONF.EQ.0) RETURN
           0007      CALL NEW(PDS)
           0008      CALL NEW(FUNK)
           0009      OUTFUN=FUNK
           0010      INWOR=CONF
           0011      1 INFUN=CDR(CAR(CDR(INWOR)))
           0012      J=CDR(CDR(CAR(CDR(INWOR))))
           0013      IF (CAR(J).EQ.0.OR.CAR(J).EQ.FIN) GOTO 3
           0014      IF (ELEM(FIN,CAR(J)).EQ.0) GOTO 50
           0015      3 J = CDR(CDR(J))
           0016      IF (J.EQ.0.OR.J.EQ.FIN) GOTO 4
           0017      IF (ELEM(FIN,J).EQ.0) GOTO 50
           0018      6 CAR(OUTFUN)=CAR(INFUN)
           0019      TNW=CDR(CDR(INWOR))
           0020      IF((INW.EQ.0).OR.(CAR(INW).EQ.0)) GOTO 2
           0021      CALL NEW(OUTWOR)
           0022      CAR(OUTWOR)=CAR(INWOR)
           0023      CALL APPEND(OUTFUN,OUTWOR,13)
           0024      5 INWOR=CAR(INW)
           0025      CALL NEW(OUTFUN)
           0026      CALL APPEND(OUTWOR,OUTFUN,1X)
           0027      TNW=CDR(INW)
           0028      IF((INW.EQ.0).OR.(CAR(TNW).EQ.0)) GOTO 1
           0029      CALL PUSH(1X,PDS)
           0030      CALL PUSH(INW,PDS)
           0031      GOTO 1
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0032      > CALL APPEND(OUTFUN,CAR(INWOR),OUTWOR)
0033      CALL POPUP(INW,PDS)
0034      IF(INW.EQ.0) GOTO 4
0035      CALL POPUP(OUTWOR,PDS)
0036      GOTO 5
0037      4 CALL PRLIST(FUNK,1,6)
0038      CALL PLOTLI(FUNK,1,1,1)
0039      RETURN
0040      50 CONF = 0
0041      RETURN
0042      END
```

(ii) Case structures

CAS

parameters: CONF , a configuration

operation:

CAS computes the case structure and prints it on an outputdevice.

code:

```
0001      SUBROUTINE CAS(CONF)
0002      IMPLICIT INTEGER(A-W)
0003      LOGICAL*1 AF
0004      COMMON CAR(3000),CDR(3000),AF(3000)
0005      COMMON /CD02/ MOD,QUAL,ADJU
0006      COMMON /COMF/ COMF(30,10)
0007      COMMON /CODE/ LOCK,RULE,BEFORE,AFTER,TRUE,FALSE,UNDET,FUNCTW,
+ SYNNET,FRAME,OBJEC,UNMA,PREDIC
0008      CAST = FRAME
0009      IF(CONF.EQ.0) RETURN
0010      CALL NEW(CASE)
0011      CS=CASE
0012      CAR(CS)=CAST
0013      CALL PUSH(CONF,PDSP)
0014      CALL PUSH(0,PDST)
0015      FL = 0
0016      1 CALL POPUP(P,PDSP)
0017      CALL POPUP(T,PDST)
0018      IF(P.EQ.0) GOTO 90
0019      FLAG=0
0020      PFU = CDR(CAR(CDR(P)))
0021      CALL GET(CAR(PFU),RULE,IR)
0022      PINW=CDR(P)
0023      IF(FL.EQ.0) GOTO 2
0024      IF(COMF(IR,2).NE.OBJEC) GOTO 11
0025      2 IF(COMF(IR,2).EQ.OBJEC) GOTO 12
0026      CALL GET(CAR(P),CAR(CAR(CDR(P))),HYP)
0027      SUBJ = CAR(CDR(CDR(CDR(CAR(CDR(HYP)))))
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0028      12 FL=1
0029      5 PINW=CDR(PINW)
0030      IF((PINW.EQ.0).OR.(CAR(PINW).EQ.0)) GOTO 1
0031      P2=CAR(PINW)
0032      17 P2FU=CDR(CAR(CDR(P2)))
0033      CALL GET(CAR(P2FU),RULE,IR)
0034      IF(COMF(IR,2).NE.OBJEC) GOTO 6
0035      P2CA=CAR(CDR(CDR(CDR(CDR(CDR(P2FU))))))
0036      IF(P2CA.EQ.0) P2CA = SUBJ
0037      IF(FLAG.EQ.1) GOTO 4
0038      CALL NEW(TX)
0039      CALL APPEND(CS,TX,CS)
0040      CAR(TX)=CAR(P)
0041      4 CALL NEW(MX)
0042      CALL APPEND(TX,MX,TX)
0043      CAR(MX)=P2CA
0044      CALL APPEND(MX,CAR(P2),MX)
0045      FLAG=1
0046      P2NW=CDR(CDR(P2))
0047      IF((P2NW.EQ.0).OR.(CAR(P2NW).EQ.0)) GOTO 18
0048      CALL PUSH(P2,PDSP)
0049      CALL PUSH(P,PDST)
0050      18 IF(PDSP2.NE.0) GOTO 15
0051      GOTO 5
0052      6 IF(COMF(IR,2).NE.ADJU) GOTO 14
0053      CALL PUSH(P2,PDSP)
0054      CALL PUSH(P,PDST)
0055      IF(PDSP2.NE.0) GOTO 15
0056      GOTO 5
0057      14 IF(COMF(IR,2).NE.FUNCTW) CALL PRLIST(COMF(IR,2),0,6)
0058      CALL PUSH(P2NWF,PDSP2)
0059      P2NWF=CDR(P2)
0060      15 P2NWF=CDR(P2NWF)
0061      IF((P2NWF.EQ.0).OR.(CAR(P2NWF).EQ.0)) GOTO 16
0062      P2=CAR(P2NWF)
0063      GOTO 17
0064      16 CALL POPUP(P2NWF,PDSP2)
0065      IF(PDSP2.NE.0) GOTO 15
0066      GOTO 5
0067      11 IF(COMF(IR,2).NE.ADJU) GOTO 1
0068      CALL GET(CAR(P),CAR(CAR(CDR(P))),HYP)
0069      VIEWP = CAR(CDR(CDR(CDR(CAR(CDR(HYP))))))
0070      IF(FLAG.EQ.1) GOTO 13
0071      CALL NEW(TX)
0072      CALL APPEND(CS,TX,CS)
0073      CAR(TX)=CAR(P)
0074      13 CALL NEW(MX)
0075      CALL APPEND(TX,MX,TX)
0076      CAR(MX)=VIEWP
0077      CALL APPEND(MX,CAR(T),MX)
0078      FLAG = 1
0079      GOTO 2
0080      90 CALL PRLIST(CASE,1,6)
0081      0 CALL PLOTLI(CASE,1,1,1)
0082      RETURN
0083      END

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(iii) Semantic structure

SEM

parameters: CONF, a configuration

operation:

SEM computes the semantic structure and prints it on an outputdevice

code:

```
0001      SUBROUTINE SEM(CONF)
0002      IMPLICIT INTEGER(A-X)
0003      LOGICAL*1 AF
0004      COMMON CAR(3000), CDR(3000), AF(3000)
0005      COMMON, SEM/OLIST, SEMSTR, PRED, ARG, FEAT, MOD, OBJEC, ADJU, FUNCTW
0006      COMMON/CONF/CONF(30,10)
0007      COMMON/ADD/RULE
0008      D      NUM=0
0009      P2NFW=0
0010      D      WRITE(6,101)
0011      D 101  FORMAT(1X, 'CREATING TOP OF SEMANTIC STRUCTURE')
0012      CALL NEW(SEMA)
0013      CAR(SEMA)=SEMSTR
0014      SM=SEMA
0015      D      WRITE(6,102)
0016      D 102  FORMAT(1X, 'CREATING INITIAL TASK IMAGE')
0017      CALL PUSH(CONF, PDSCO)
0018      CALL PUSH(0, PDSSE)
0019      CALL PUSH(0, PDSOX)
0020      CALL PUSH(0, PDSPR)
0021      1 CALL POPUP(PCO, PDSCO)
0022      D      NUM=NUM+1
0023      D      WRITE(6,146) NUM
0024      D 146  FORMAT(1H0,1H1,12,1H)
0025      D      WRITE(6,103)
0026      D 103  FORMAT(1H0, '.I. POPPING UP NEW TASK IMAGE')
0027      D      WRITE(6,104)
0028      D 104  FORMAT(5X, 'PRESENT POINT IN CONFIGURATION:')
0029      D      CALL PRLIST(PCO,9,6)
0030      CALL POPUP(PSE, PDSSE)
```

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```
0031 D WRITE(6,105)
0032 D 105 FORMAT(5X,'ATTACHMENT POINT IN SEMANTIC STRUCTURE:')
0033 D CALL PRLIST(PSE,9,6)
0034 CALL POPUP(MQOX,PDSOX)
0035 D WRITE(6,106)
0036 D 106 FORMAT(5X,'TOP OF NODE (FOR QUAL):')
0037 D CALL PRLIST(MQOX,9,6)
0038 CALL POPUP(MQPR,PDSPR)
0039 D WRITE(6,107)
0040 D 107 FORMAT(5X,'PREDICATE NODE (FOR MOD):')
0041 D CALL PRLIST(MQPR,9,6)
0042 IF(PCO.EQ.0) GOTO 90
0043 IF(PSE.EQ.0) GOTO 17
0044 18 IF(CDR(PSE).NE.0) PSE=CDR(PSE)
0045 IF(CDR(PSE).NE.0) GOTO 18
0046 D WRITE(6,109)
0047 D 109 FORMAT(5X,'READJUSTED ATTACHMENT POINT:')
0048 D CALL PRLIST(PSE,9,6)
0049 17 PFU=CDR(CAR(CDR(PCO)))
0050 CALL GET(CAR(PFU),RULE,IR)
0051 D WRITE(6,110)
0052 D 110 FORMAT(1H0,'.II. EXECUTION OF TASK')
0053 D CALL PRLIST(CAR(PFU),30,6)
0054 D WRITE(6,111)
0055 D 111 FORMAT(1H+,'FUNCTION OF PRESENT WORD IS:')
0056 PNW=CDR(PCO)
0057 IF(PSE.NE.0) GOTO 19
0058 D WRITE(6,113)
0059 D 113 FORMAT(1X,'* PRESENT WORD IS FIRST WORD IN CONFIGURATION'/
D *5X,'STARTING TO CREATE INITIAL OBJECT NODE')
0060 IF(COMF(IR,2).EQ.OBJEC) OLIST=CDR(OLIST)
0061 P2=PCO
0062 P2FU=PFU
0063 GOTO 16
0064 2 PSE=NPL
0065 MQOX=OX
0066 MQPR=PR
0067 D WRITE(6,114)
0068 D 114 FORMAT(3X,'CHANGING TASK IMAGE AFTER CREATION OF NODE')
0069 D WRITE(6,115)
0070 D 115 FORMAT(5X,'ATTACHMENT POINT IN SEMANTIC STRUCTURE:')
0071 D CALL PRLIST(PSE,9,6)
0072 D WRITE(6,116)
0073 D 116 FORMAT(5X,'TOP OF NODE (FOR QUAL):')
0074 D CALL PRLIST(MQOX,9,6)
0075 D WRITE(6,117)
0076 D 117 FORMAT(5X,'PREDICATE NODE (FOR MOD):')
0077 D CALL PRLIST(MQPR,9,6)
0078 D WRITE(6,120)
0079 D 120 FORMAT(1X,'STARTING TO TRACE DEPENDENT WORDS')
0080 GOTO 4
0081 19 IF(COMF(IR,2).NE.OBJEC) GOTO 12
0082 D CALL PRLIST(CAR(PCO),15,6)
0083 D WRITE(6,118)
0084 D 118 FORMAT(1H+,'PRESENT WORD: IS OBJECT-TYPE'/
D *1X,'STARTING TO TRACE DEPENDENT WORDS')
0085 4 PNW=CDR(PNW)
0086 IF((PNW.EQ.0).OR.(CAR(PNW).EQ.0)) GOTO 80
0087 P2=CAR(PNW)
0088 D CALL PRLIST(CAR(P2),27,6)
0089 D WRITE(6,119)
0090 D 119 FORMAT(1H+,' => DEPENDENT WORD FOUND:')
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0091      25 P2FU=CDR(CAR(CDR(P2)))
0092      CALL GET(CAR(P2FU),RULE,IR)
0093      D CALL PRLIST(CAR(P2FU),18,6)
0094      D WRITE(6,121)
0095      D 121 FORMAT(1H+,4X,'FUNCTION IS:')
0096      IF((COMP(IR,2).NE.OBJEC) GOTO 7
0097      D CALL PRLIST(CAR(P2),11,6)
0098      D WRITE(6,122)
0099      D 122 FORMAT(1H+,4X,'WORD:           IS OF OBJECT-TYPE'/
D          *5X,'STARTING TO CREATE NEW OBJECT NODE')
0100      16 CALL NEW(NPL)
0101      OX=CAR(OLIST)
0102      OLIST=CDR(OLIST)
0103      CAR(NPL)=OX
0104      CALL APPEND(SM,NPL,SM)
0105      CALL NEW(PR)
0106      CAR(PR)=PRED
0107      CALL APPEND(NPL,PR,NPL)
0108      CALL GET(CAR(P2),CAR(CAR(CDR(P2))),INF)
0109      IHPR=CDR(INF)
0110      CALL APPEND(PR,CAR(CDR(CDR(IHPR))),PR)
0111      CALL APPEND(PR,CAR(IHPR),PR)
0112      IF(CAR(CDR(IHPR)).NE.0) CALL APPEND(PR,CAR(CDR(IHPR)),PR)
0113      FEAIN=CDR(CDR(CDR(P2FU)))
0114      IF((COMP(IR,2).NE.OBJEC) FEAIN=CDR(FEAIN)
0115      CALL FEACDM(CAR(FEAIN),FEAOUT)
0116      IF(FEAOUT.EQ.0) GOTO 20
0117      CALL NEW(=E)
0118      CAR(=E)=FEAT
0119      CALL APPEND(NPL,=E,NPL)
0120      CALL APPEND(=E,FEAOUT,=E)
0121      D WRITE(6,123)
0122      D 123 FORMAT(1X,'* OBJECT NODE COMPLETED AND ATTACHED TO ',
D          '* SEMANTIC STRUCTURE')
0123      D CALL PRLIST(CAR(SM),7,6)
0124      20 P2CA=CDR(CDR(CDR(CDR(CDR(P2FU))))))
0125      IF((COMP(IR,2).NE.OBJEC).OR.(CAR(P2CA).EQ.0)) GOTO 2
0126      D CALL PRLIST(OX,27,6)
0127      D WRITE(6,124)
0128      D 124 FORMAT(1H+,4X,'NOW ATTACHING OBJECT:           TO ARGUMENTS')
0129      IF(CAR(CAR(PSE)).EQ.ARG) GOTO 5
0130      CALL NEW(ARG)
0131      CAR(ARG)=ARG
0132      CALL APPEND(PSE,ARG,PSE)
0133      5 CALL NEW(CA)
0134      CAR(CA)=CAR(P2CA)
0135      CALL APPEND(ARG,CA,ARG)
0136      CALL APPEND(CA,OX,CA)
0137      D CALL PRLIST(CAR(PSE),7,6)
0138      P2NW=CDR(CDR(P2))
0139      D CALL PRLIST(CAR(P2),5,6)
0140      IF((P2NW.EQ.0).OR.(CAR(P2NW).EQ.0)) GOTO 29
0141      D WRITE(6,125)
0142      D 125 FORMAT(1H+,17X,'HAS DEPENDENT WORDS - PUSH NEW TASK IMAGE')
0143      CALL PUSH(NPL,POSSE)
0144      CALL PUSH(P2,PDSCO)
0145      CALL PUSH(OX,PDSEX)
0146      CALL PUSH(PR,PDSPR)
0147      GOTO 27

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0148      29 CONTINUE
0149      D      WRITE(6,126)
0150      D 126 FORMAT(1H+,17X,'HAS NO DEPENDENT WORDS')
0151      27 IF(PDSP2.NE.0) GOTO 24
0152      GOTO 4
0153      7      CALL GET (CAR(P2FU),RULE,IR)
0154      IF (COMF(IR,2).NE.ADJU) GOTO 8
0155      CHAR=CAR(CDR(CDR(CDR(CDR(P2FU))))))
0156      D      CALL PRLIST(CAR(P2),11,6)
0157      D      WRITE(6,128)
0158      D 128 FORMAT(1H+,4X,'WORD:                IS OF ADJUNCT-TYPE')
0159      D      CALL PRLIST(CHAR,16,6)
0160      D      WRITE(6,129)
0161      D 129 FORMAT(1H+,6X,'SUBTYPE:                - PUSHING NEW TASK IMAGE')

0162      IF(CHAR.EQ.MOD) GOTO 21
0163      CALL PUSH(PSE,PDSSE)
0164      GOTO 6
0165      21 CALL PUSH(MQPR,PDSSE)
0166      6  CALL PUSH(P2,PDSCD)
0167      CALL PUSH(MQOX,PDSDX)
0168      CALL PUSH(0,PDSPR)
0169      IF(PDSP2.NE.0) GOTO 24
0170      GOTO 4
0171      8  IF(COMF(IR,2).NE.FUNCTW) GOTO 23
0172      D      CALL PRLIST(CAR(P2),11,6)
0173      D      WRITE(6,131)
0174      D 131 FORMAT(1H+,4X,'WORD:                IS OF FUNCTIONWORD-TYPE')
0175      CALL PUSH(P2NFW,PDSP2)
0176      P2NFW = CDR(P2)
0177      24 P2NFW=CDR(P2NFW)
0178      IF((P2NFW.EQ.0).OR.(CAR(P2NFW).EQ.0)) GOTO 26
0179      P2=CAR(P2NFW)
0180      D      CALL PRLIST(CAR(P2),13,6)
0181      D      WRITE(6,132)
0182      D 132 FORMAT(1H+,6X,'WORD:                IS DEPENDENT FROM FUNCTIONWORD')
0183      D      *13X,'AND IS CONSIDERED TO TAKE ITS PLACE')
0184      D      GOTO 25
0185      26 CALL POPUP(P2NFW,PDSP2)
0186      IF (PDSP2.NE.0) GOTO 24
0187      D      WRITE(6,133)
0188      D 133 FORMAT(7X,'= NO (MORE) WORDS DEPENDENT FROM FUNCTIONWORD')
0189      D      WRITE(6,134)
0190      D 134 FORMAT(1H+,53X,'- PDS EMPTY')
0191      D      GOTO 4
0192      23 CALL PRLIST(CAR(P2FU),39,6)
0193      D      WRITE(6,135)
0194      D 135 FORMAT(1H+,'S ERROR S --CANNOT IDENTIFY FUNCTION:')
0195      D      CALL PRLIST(CAR(P2),39,6)
0196      D      WRITE(6,136)
0197      D 136 FORMAT(1H+,29X,'OF WORD:')
0198      D      GOTO 4
0199      12 IF(COMF(IR,2).NE.ADJU) GOTO 13
0200      D      CALL PRLIST(CAR(PCD),15,6)
0201      D      WRITE(6,137)
0202      D 137 FORMAT(1H+,'PRESENT WORD:                IS OF ADJUNCT-TYPE')
0203      D      OX=CAR(CDR(CDR(CDR(PFU))))
0204      D      CALL PRLIST(OX,14,6)
0205      D      WRITE(6,138)
0206      D 138 FORMAT(1H+,2X,'SUBTYPE: /
0207      D      *5X,'STARTING TO CREATE NEW ADJUNCT NODE')

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0206      CALL NEW(NPL)
0207      CAR(NPL)=OX
0208      CALL APPEND(PSE,NPL,PSE)
0209      CALL NEW(PR)
0210      CAR(PR)=PRED
0211      CALL APPEND(NPL,PR,NPL)
0212      CALL GET (CAR(PCO),CAR(CAR(CDR(PCO))),INF)
0213      IHPR = CDR(INF)
0214      CALL APPEND(PR,CAR(CDR(CDR(IHPR))),PR)
0215      CALL APPEND(PR,CAR(IHPR),PR)

0216      IF(CAR(CDR(IHPR)).NE.0) CALL APPEND(PR,CAR(CDR(IHPR)),PR)
0217      IF(OX.EQ.MOD) GOTO 2
0218      D    CALL PRLIST(MGOX,20,6)
0219      D    WRITE(6,139)
0220      D 139 FORMAT(1H+,'NOW ATTACHING TOP:          TO ARGUMENTS OF QUALIFIER')
0221      CALL NEW(AR)
0222      CAR(AR)=ARG
0223      CALL APPEND(NPL,AR,NPL)
0224      CALL NEW(CA)
0225      CAR(CA)=CAR(CDR(CDR(IHPR)))
0226      CALL APPEND(AR,CA,AR)
0227      CALL APPEND(CA,MGOX,CA)
0228      D    CALL PRLIST(CAR(NPL),1,6)
0229      D    CALL PRLIST(OX,3,6)
0230      D    WRITE(6,141)
0231      D 141 FORMAT(1H+,1H*,7X,'NODE COMPLETED AND ATTACHED')
0232      D    CALL PRLIST(CAR(PSE),1,6)
0233      GOTO 2
0234      13 CALL PRLIST(CAR(PFU),39,6)
0235      D    WRITE(6,142)
0236      D 142 FORMAT(1H+,'S ERROR S --CANNOT IDENTIFY FUNCTION:')
0237      D    CALL PRLIST (CAR(PCO),39,6)
0238      D    WRITE (6,143)
0239      D 143 FORMAT(1H+,29X,'OF WORD:*/
          *12X,'OR INCORRECT INPUT FROM POPUP')
          GOTO 4
0240      80 CONTINUE
0241      D    WRITE(6,144)
0242      D 144 FORMAT(1X,'= NO (MORE) WORDS DEPENDENT FROM PRESENT WORD*/
          *1H0,'. III, SEMANTIC STRUCTURE AT PRESENT STAGE!*/)
0244      D    SMA=SEMA
0245      D 81 SMA=CDR(SMA)
0246      D    IF(SMA.EQ.0) GOTO 82
0247      D    CALL PRLIST(CAR(SMA),7,6)
0248      D    GOTO 81
0249      82 GOTO 1
0250      90 WRITE(6,145)
0251      145 FORMAT(1H0,'>>>>> SEMANTIC STRUCTURE COMPLETED NOW*/
          *7X,'FINAL OUTPUT:*/)
          SMA=SEMA
0252      91 SMA=CDR(SMA)
0253      IF(SMA.EQ.0) RETURN
0254      CALL PRLIST(CAR(SMA),7,6)
0255      CALL PLOTLI(CAR(SMA),1,1,1)
0256      GOTO 91
0257      END
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