

AST: New Tool for Logical Analysis of Sentences based on Transparent Intensional Logic

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 - ~~first-order logic~~
 - high-order logic → to capture higher order phenomena that occurs in NL

Automatic Semantic Analysis (AST)

- new standalone tool
- provides the semantic analysis in the form of Transparent Intensional Logic (TIL) constructions
- based on SYNT TIL logical analysis
- language and parser independent

AST Input

- syntactic tree
 - edges
 - morphological information
 - a lemma
 - a PoS tag

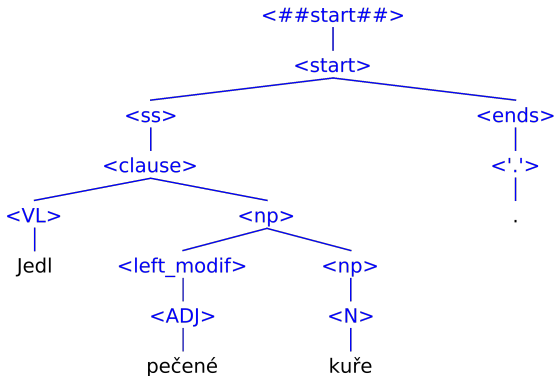
Example

```

<tree>
{##start##
  {start
    {ss
      {clause
        {VL<leaf><idx>0</idx><w>Jedl</w><l>jíst</l>
          <c>k5eAaIgMnS</c></leaf>}
        {intr
          {adjp
            {ADJ<leaf><idx>1</idx><w>pečené</w><l>pečený</l>
              <c>k2eAgNnSc4</c></leaf>}
          }
          {np
            {N<leaf><idx>2</idx><w>kuře</w><l>kuře</l>
              <c>k1gNnSc4</c></leaf>}
            }
          }
        }
      }
    }
  }
  {ends
    {'.'<leaf><idx>3</idx><w>.</w><l>.</l><c>kX</c></leaf>}
  }
}
</tree>

```

AST Input - graphical tree representation



Language Dependent Files

- lexical items
- verb valencies
- prepositional valencies
- a semantic grammar

Lexical Items

- o : representing the truth-values
- ι : class of individuals
- τ : class of time moments
- ω : class of possible worlds

Example (word "jíst")

jíst

/k5/otriv ((($o(o_{\tau\omega})(o_{\tau\omega})$)) ω) ι)

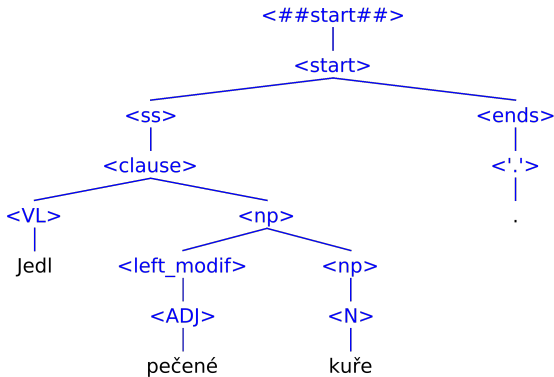
Semantic Grammar File

- resulting semantic construction
 - bottom-up analysis based on the input syntactic tree
 - semantic extension of the actual grammar used in the parsing process

Example (syntactic rule with TIL action for the <np> node)

```
np -> left_modif np
    rule_schema ( "[#1,#2]" )
```

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Semantic Grammar File

Example (semantic analysis for the <np> node)

```
rule_schema: 2 nterms, '[#1,#2]'
1, 3, +np -> . left_modif np . @level 0
  nterm 1: 1, 2, +left_modif -> . left_modifn1 . @level 0,
    k2eAgNnSc4
    TIL: 0pečení...((ol)τω(ol)τω)
  nterm 2: 2, 3, +np -> . N . @level 0, k1gNnSc4
    TIL: 0kuře... (ol)τω
```

Processing schema with params:

#1: ⁰pečení...((ol)_{τω}(ol)_{τω})

#2: ⁰kuře... (ol)_{τω}

Resulting constructions:

[⁰pečení/((ol)_{τω}(ol)_{τω}), ⁰kuře/(ol)_{τω}]... (ol)_{τω}

Verb Valencies

- builds the resulting construction from the corresponding valency frame

Example (verb "jíst")

jíst

hPTc4 :exists:V(v):V(v):and:V(v)=[[#0,try(#1)],V(w)]

Prepositional Valency Expressions

- semantic mappings of prepositional phrases to valency expressions based on the head preposition

Example (preposition "k")

k
3 hA hH

AST system parts

- the input parser
- the grammar parser
- the lexical item parser
- the schema parser
- the verb valency parser
- the prepositional valency expression parser

Error Analysis

- continuously evaluated in comparison with the original SYNT TIL logical analysis
- number of uncovered phenomena is described and implemented in AST

Error Analysis

- sentences with two items divided by “and”
- verb valency vs. clause valency
- verb valency schema update
- verb valency schema missing
- system errors

Sentences with Two Items Divided by “and”

Example (“and” sentence)

Vidíte zásadnější rozdíly mezi přístupy českých a západních informačních firem?

(Can you see the main difference between Czech and west information companies?)

Example (construction)

[západní, [český, x8]] and [firma, x8]



[západní, x8] and [firma,x8] and [český,x9] and [firma,x9]

Verb Valency vs. Clause Valency

Example

Možná, že se tito lidé ani nesetkali.
(Maybe, these people never met each other.)

- the clause schema does not contain the reflexive pronoun “se”

Verb Valency Schema Update

- verb valency file does not contain an option that can match with the created cause valency

Verb Valency Schema Missing

- verb valency list is created from the Czech VerbaLex lexicon
 - 10,000 Czech verb lemmata and their verb frames

System Errors

- construction checker that does not allow the dash character “-” in the name of an object construction

Example

```
[0(Si-an/ι)]
```

Evaluation

Table: 200 sentences evaluated by the SYNT TIL system and the AST system

system	correct	correct in %	incorrect	incorrect in %
SYNT TIL	131	65.5 %	69	35.5 %
AST	158	79.0 %	42	21.0 %

Conclusions

- new language and parser independent tool for semantic analysis
- corrects several frequent errors of its predecessor → **14% increase**

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