

# An Incremental Parser for Abstract Meaning Representation

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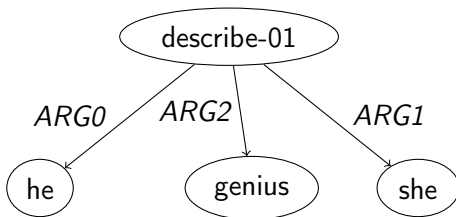
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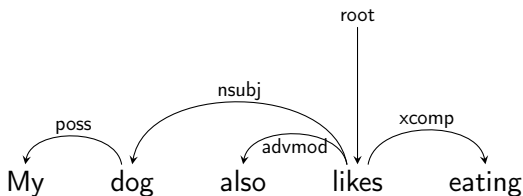
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He described her as a genius



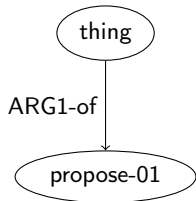
## Dependency trees

- Transition-based dependency parsing (Nivre, 2004)

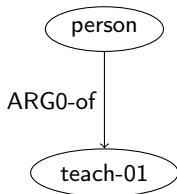


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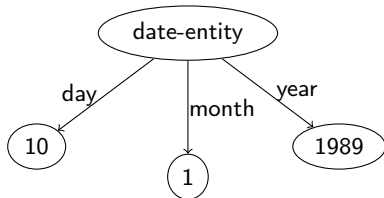
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*The teacher*

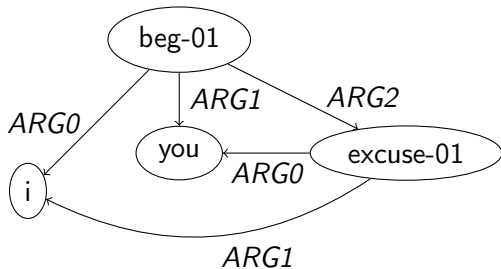


*10 January 1989*



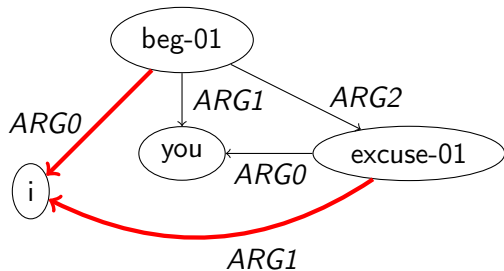
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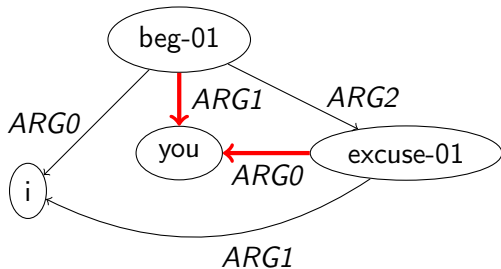
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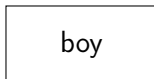
# Transition-based AMR Parser



# Transition system

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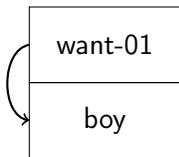


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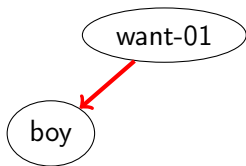
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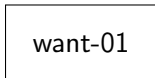
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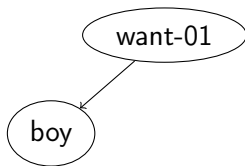
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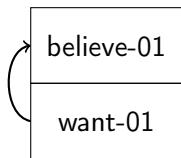
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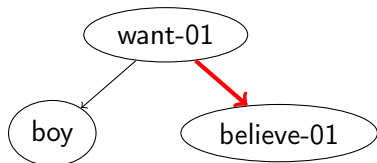
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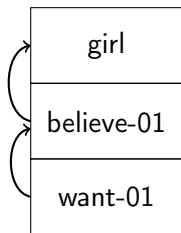
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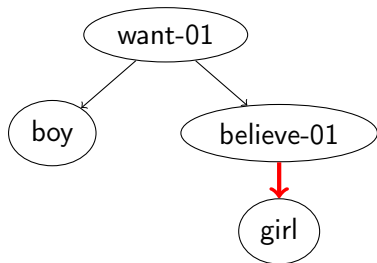
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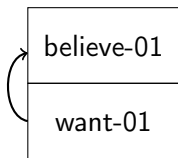
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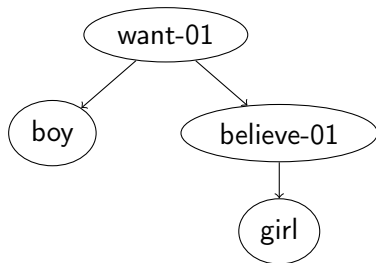
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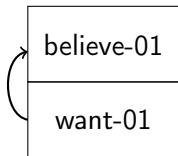
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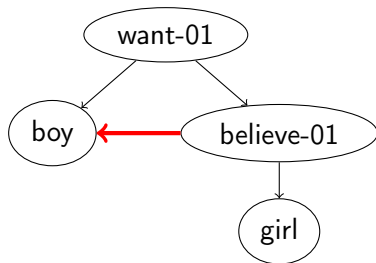
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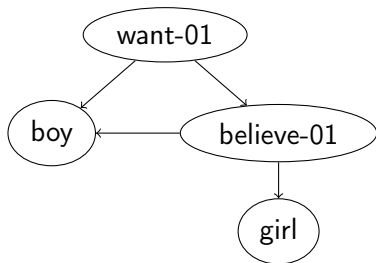
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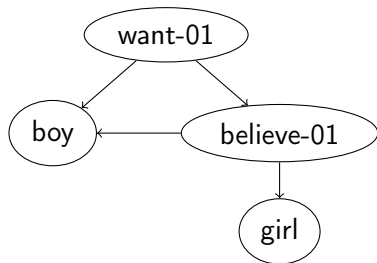


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## Oracle

- Given the current configuration  $(\sigma, \beta, A)$  and the gold-standard graph  $G = (V_g, A_g)$ :

$$T(G, \sigma, \beta, A) = \begin{cases} \text{LARC}(\ell) \\ \text{RARC}(\ell) \\ \text{RED-REENT}(\ell) \\ \text{REDUCE} \\ \text{SHIFT} \end{cases}$$

- (English, AMR)  $\Rightarrow$  Transitions to obtain AMR\* from English

# Evaluation

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## Experiments

Metric	JAMR ('14)	CAMR	JAMR ('16)	Ours
Smatch	58	63	<b>67</b>	64
Unlabeled	61	<b>69</b>	<b>69</b>	<b>69</b>
No WSD	58	64	<b>68</b>	65
NP-only	47	54	<b>58</b>	55
Reentrancy	38	41	<b>42</b>	41
Concepts	79	80	<b>83</b>	<b>83</b>
Named Ent.	75	75	79	<b>83</b>
Wikification	0	0	<b>75</b>	64
Negations	16	18	45	<b>48</b>
SRL	55	<b>60</b>	<b>60</b>	56

JAMR: Flanigan et al. (2014)

CAMR: Wang et al. (2015)

# Software

- Online demo:  
<http://cohort.inf.ed.ac.uk/amreager.html>
- Source code for parser:  
<https://github.com/mdtux89/amr-eager>
- Source code for evaluation:  
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Graph visualization for this demo is done using [AMRICA](#).

AMREager's source code can be found on [github](#).

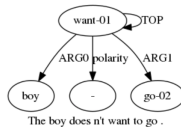
## DEMO

Sentence:

The boy doesn't want to go.

Parse

```
# ::snt The boy does n't want to go .  
# ::alignments 1-2|0.1 3-4|0.0 4-5|0.0 6-7|0.2  
(v2 / want-01 :polarity -  
:ARG0 (v1 / boy)  
:ARG1 (v3 / go-02))
```



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## Conclusions

- AMREager is a linear-time, left-to-right transition system
- AMR parsing akin to dependency parsing
- Fine-grained evaluation suite to assess AMR parsers