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RDF Triple Stores and a Custom SPARQL Front-End for Searching Meaning Representations

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What are we working with

- One of the main areas of research in our group is ‘Semantic Parsing’
- Inevitable Problem
 - Storing & Accessing Data
- Corpora
 - DeepBank (700,000 tokens)
 - WikiWoods (48 million tokens)

Semantic Annotation

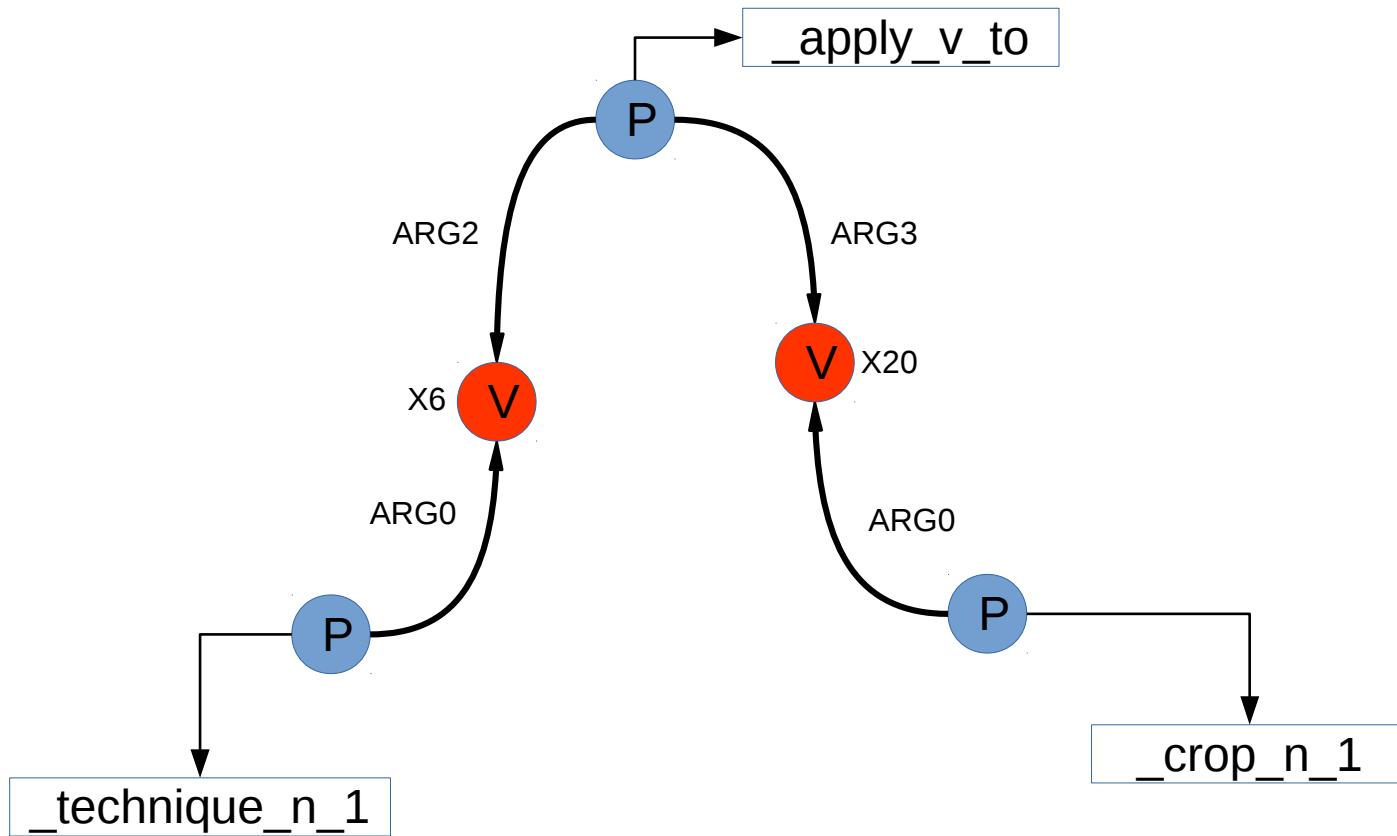
- Minimal Recursion Semantics (MRS; Copestake et al., 2005)
 - underspecified logical-form meaning representation.
- In addition, we support the two reductions:
 - Elementary Dependency Structures (EDS)
 - a variable-free dependency graph
 - MRS-Derived Bi-Lexical Dependencies (DM)
 - ‘projecting’ predicate–argument information from the EDS onto individual tokens

Example - MRS

```
<h1,  
h4:_a_q(x6, h7, h5), h8:_similar_a_to(e9, x6), h8:comp(e11, e9,_),  
h8:_technique_n_1(x6),h2:_almost_a_1(e12, h13),  
h14:_impossible_a_for(e3, h15, i16), h17 :_apply_v_to(e18, i19, x6, x20),  
h21:udef_q(x20, h22, h23), h24:_other_a_1(e25, x20), h24 :_crop_n_1(x20),  
h24 :_such+as_p(x26, x20, x27), x40 :implicit_conj(x27, x33, x38),  
x31 :udef_q(x33, x32, x34), x35 :_cotton_n_1(x33), x46 :_and_c(x38, x43, x47),  
x41 :udef_q(x43, x42, x44), x45 :_soybean_u_unknown(x43),  
x48 :udef_q(x47, x49, x50), x51 :_rice_n_1(x47)  
{ x49 = q x51, x42 = q x45, x32 = q x35, x22 = q x24, x15 = q x17, x13 = q x14, x7 = q x8, x1 = q x2 }  
>
```

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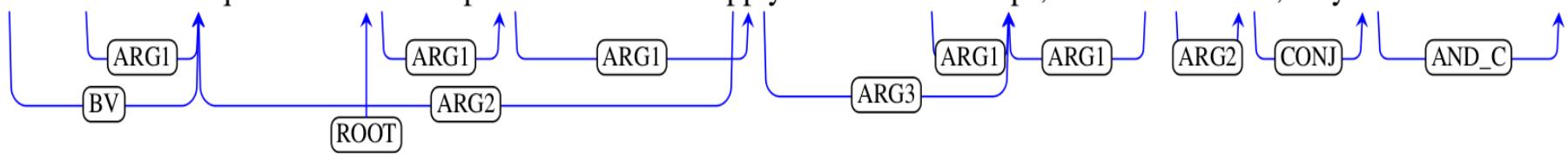
Example - EDS

e9:_similar_a_to<2,9>[ARG1 **x6**] **x6**:_technique_n_1<10,19>[]
e11:comp<2,9>[ARG1 e9] e12:_almost_a_1<23,29>[ARG1 e3]
e3:_impossible_a_for<30,40>[ARG1 e18] e18:_apply_v_to<44,49>[ARG2 **x6**, ARG3 **x20**]
x20:_crop_n_1<59,65>[] _2:udef_q<53,100>[BV **x20**]
e25:_other_a_1<53,58>[ARG1 x20] e26:_such+as_p<66,73>[ARG1 **x20**, ARG2 x27]
x27:implicit_conj<82,100>[L-INDEX x33, R-INDEX x38] _3:udef_q<74,100>[BV x27]
_4:udef_q<74,81>[BV x33] x33:_cotton_n_1<74,81>[]
_5:udef_q<82,100>[BV x38] x38:_and_c<91,94>[L-INDEX x43, R-INDEX x47]
_6:udef_q<82,90>[BV x43] x43:_soybeans/nns_u_unknown<82,90>[]
x47:_rice_n_1<95,100>[] _7:udef_q<95,100>[BV x47]

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Resource Description Framework (RDF)

- Used by the Semantic Web community
- RDF Data Model
 - statements about resources in the form of subject–predicate–object triples.
- Intrinsically represents a labeled, directed multi-graph
- Suited for knowledge representation

Search SPARQL

- Search Language for querying RDF structures
- Similar to SQL
- The query is satisfied by variable instantiation

Repositories of RDF

- Triple Stores
 - Many implementations available (free and commercial)
 - All implement SPARQL (some provide also different dialects)
 - Most are easily connected to web applications
 - Most of them provide reasoning based on description logic (OWL Ontologies)

MRS in OWL

```
@prefix : <http://wesearch.delph-in.net/rdf/mrs#> .
```

```
:Predication rdf:type owl:Class .
```

```
:Variable rdf:type owl:Class .
```

```
:I rdf:type owl:Class ;  
    rdfs:subClassOf :Variable .
```

```
:E rdf:type owl:Class ;  
    rdfs:subClassOf :I .
```

```
:ROLE rdf:type owl:ObjectProperty ;  
    rdfs:domain :Predication ;  
    rdfs:range :Variable .
```

```
:ARG0 rdf:type owl:ObjectProperty ;  
    rdfs:subPropertyOf :ROLE ;  
    rdfs:range :I .
```

```
:constraint rdf:type owl:ObjectProperty ;  
    rdfs:range :H ;  
    rdfs:domain :H .
```

```
:eqq rdf:type owl:ObjectProperty ;  
    rdfs:subPropertyOf :constraint .
```

MRS in OWL

```
<p1> mrs:predicat “_appy_v_to”^^xsd:string  
<p1> rdf:type mrs:Predication
```

```
<p1> mrs:ARG2 <x6>  
<x6> rdf:type mrs:X
```

```
<p1> mrs:ARG3 <x20>  
<x20> rdf:type mrs:X
```

```
<p2> mrs:predicat “_technique_n_1” ^^^xsd:string  
<p2> rdf:type mrs:Predication  
<p2> mrs:ARG0 <x6>
```

```
<p3> mrs:predicat “_crop_n_1” ^^^xsd:string  
<p3> rdf:type mrs:Predication  
<p3> mrs:ARG0 <x20>
```

EDS Search in SPARQL Example

```
PREFIX mrs:<http://www.delph-in.net/rdf/mrs#>
SELECT ?graph WHERE {
  GRAPH ?graph {
    ?p1 mrs:predicat "_apply_v_to"^^xsd:string .
    ?p2 mrs:predicat "_crop_n_1"^^xsd:string .
    ?p1 rdf:type mrs:Predication .
    ?p2 rdf:type mrs:Predication .
    ?p1 mrs:ARG3 ?var1 .
    ?var1 rdf:type mrs:X .
    ?p2 mrs:ARG0 ?var1
  }
}
```

Feasibility – Apache JENA (TDB Store)

	DeepBank			WikiWoods
	MRS	EDS	DM	EDS
Triples	20 million	2.6 million	4 million	3.4 billion
Space	3.8 GB	494 MB	744 MB	400 GB
Indexing	4 minutes	1 minute	1 minute	24 hours
Query	8 sec	3 sec	3 sec	???

Started building a test set of 10 queries with different complexity.

Querying from User Perspective

- Quering triple stores requires SPARQL
 - Requires some knowledge of how the structures are stored
- Users will prefer to query with patterns:
$$_apply_v_to[ARG3\ x] ,\ x:_crop_*$$
- WQL: Custom query processor for family of ‘designer’ pattern languages, adapted to each representation.
- Web application for interactive search (across different graph types) and custom visualization.

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Semantic Search Interface - Graph

Query

```
[ARG2 x, ARG* e]
e:/v*[ARG1 x]
```

Format DM PAS PCEDT **Results per Page** 20

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Results Page 1

#20004005 Longer maturities are thought to indicate declining interest rates because they permit portfolio managers to retain relatively higher rates for a longer period .

DM	PAS	PCEDT											
Match #1	Match #2												
Longer JJR	maturities NNS	are VBP	thought VBN	to TO	indicate VB	declining VBG	interest NN	rates NNS	because IN	they PRP	permit VBP	portfolio NN	manag NN