A Norwegian Language Grid

(A 'Vision' from the Semi-Outside)

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D-SPIN: Language Resources & Technology On-Line

Pros and Cons of a Web-Based SOA:

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– *Not applicable for huge amounts of data.*

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An Example: Syntacto-Semantic Analysis of Wikipedia

General Idea

- Enabling technology: Wikipedia as a corpus and a knowledge source;

- e.g. research in linguistics, lexical acquisition, ontology learning, etc.
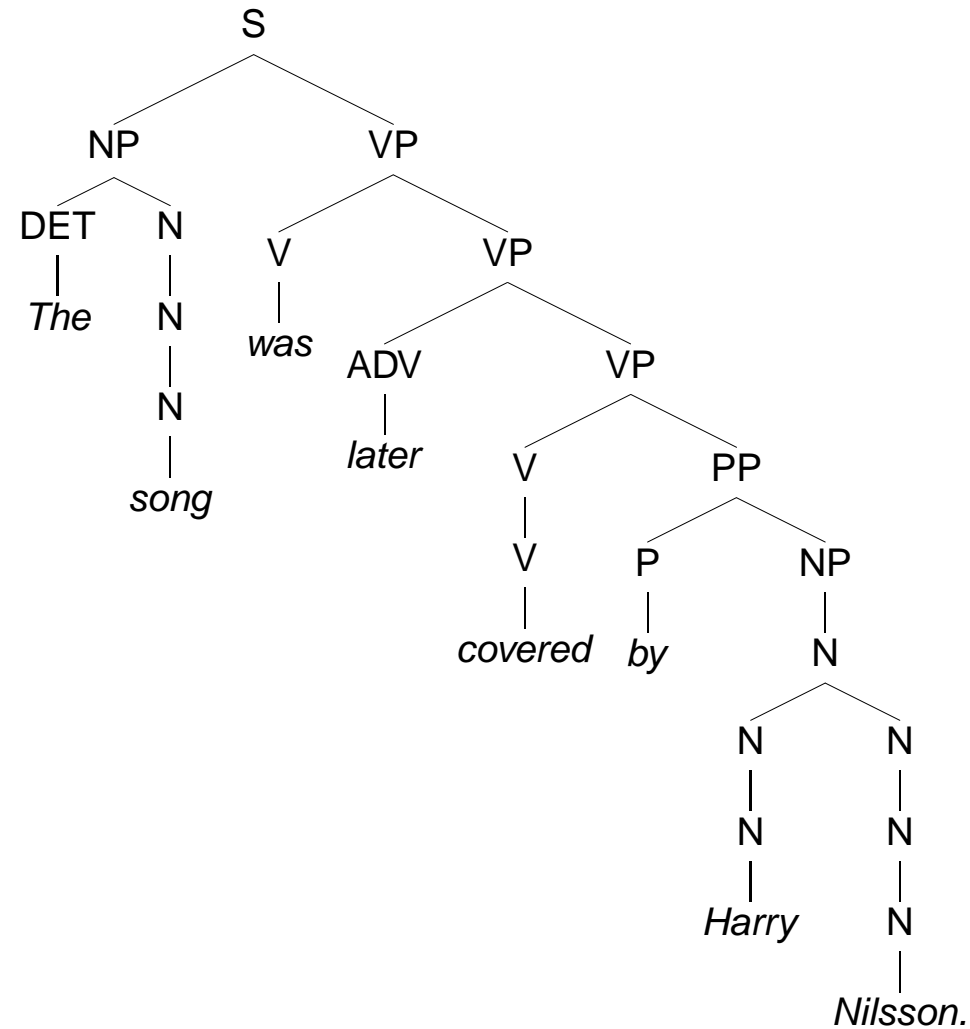
Approach & Technology

- Semi-automated 'deep' linguistic annotation, from pre-existing parser;

- gold-standard annotation of domain-specific subset: ~250,000 words.
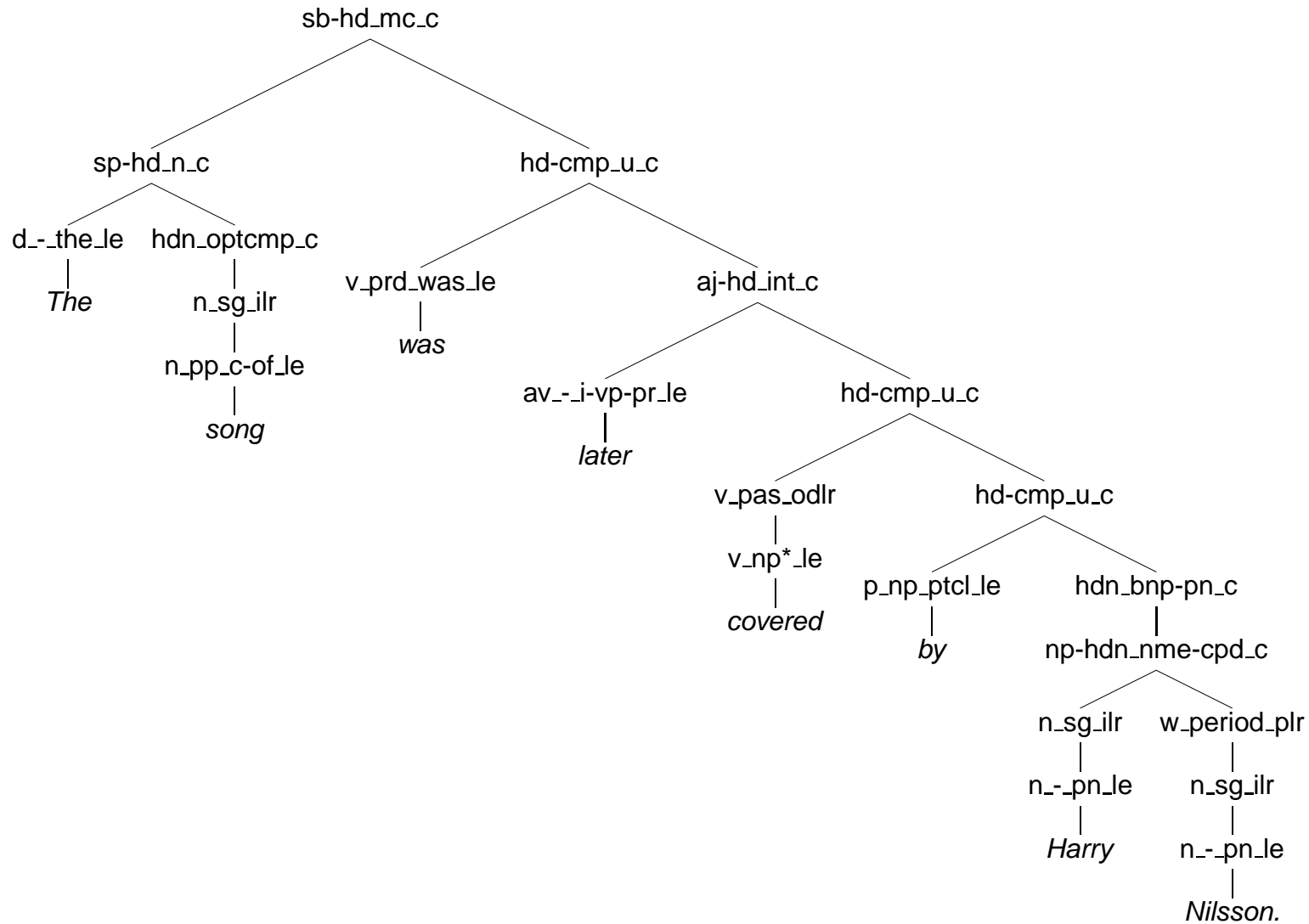
More Information (Download Site)

`http://www.delph-in.net/wikiwoods`

Syntactic Annotation: 'Classic' Constituent Tree

Syntactic Annotation: HPSG Derivation

sb-hd_mc_c
- sp-hd_n_c
  - d_-_the_le — *The*
  - hdn_optcmp_c
    - n_sg_ilr
      - n_pp_c-of_le — *song*
- hd-cmp_u_c
  - v_prd_was_le — *was*
  - aj-hd_int_c
    - av_-_i-vp-pr_le — *later*
    - hd-cmp_u_c
      - v_pas_odlr
        - v_np*_le — *covered*
      - hd-cmp_u_c
        - p_np_ptcl_le — *by*
        - hdn_bnp-pn_c
          - np-hdn_nme-cpd_c
            - n_sg_ilr
              - n_-_pn_le — *Harry*
            - w_period_plr
              - n_sg_ilr
                - n_-_pn_le — *Nilsson.*

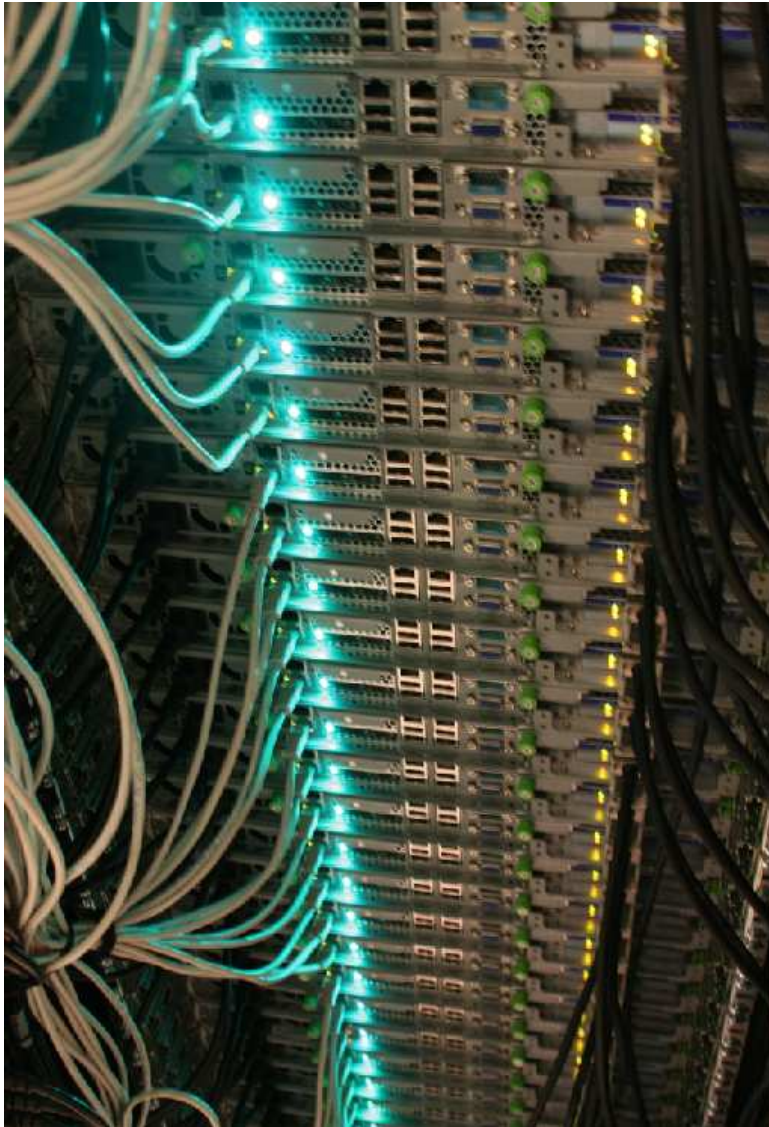# Semantic Annotation: Predicate−Argument Structure

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→ 1.3 million content articles, 55 million utterances, ~900 million tokens;

→ ~85 % parsing coverage, ~83 % of analyses totally or nearly correct.

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~120,000 cpu hours (six days);
~130 gigabytes compressed data;
*→ subject extraction present
in one of 15 utterances;*
→ ~90 % in relative clauses.

A Candidate Role Model: BioPortal at UiO

A Norwegian Language Grid (In Fifteen Minutes) (8)

Imagine: Language Resources & Technology Portal

> ## Motivation
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> • unified, Web-based point of entry; balance ease of use and flexibility.

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> • **Data** *Språkbanken*, ELRA, LDC, and others; user-contributed data;
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> • **Tools** text extraction (PDF, {HT|W|X}ML, et al.), segmentation, morphology, tagging, chunking, parsing, search, concordancing, etc.

> ## Scalability
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> • Built on top of national HPC infrastructure: NoTur, NorStore, NorGrid.

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*Preferably mostly through bottom-up, grass-roots process:
plurarilty of approaches: different frameworks and methods;
some convergence needed: exchange formats and interfaces;
starting points: UIMA, Language Grid, D-SPIN, and others.*

More Concretely: Short-Term Initiatives

High-Performance LRT User Group

- UniNett Sigma (Σ) looking to establish discipline-specific user groups;

- group-internal functions: exchange experience, coordinate activities;

- interface function to Σ: give feedback on user experience and needs;

- at least one annual meeting $\rightarrow$ contact `oe@ifi.uio.no` if interested.

'Deep' Parsing Portal at UiO (`http://www.delph-in.net`)

- Existing international network on multi-lingual 'deep' parsing (HPSG);

- Fall 2010, seek NoTur support and cpu allocations to establish portal.

Credits

NoTur and NorStore (via UniNett Sigma);

The UiO Scientific Computation Group;

The Norwegian Taxpayers.