

Master Defense:  
Implementation and evaluation of  $k$ -best  
Chomsky-Schützenberger parsing for weighted multiple  
context-free grammars

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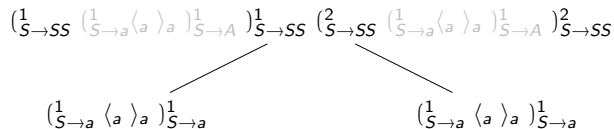
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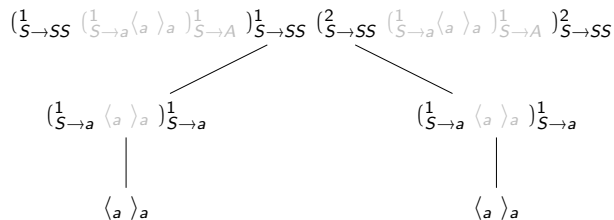
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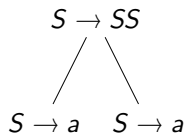
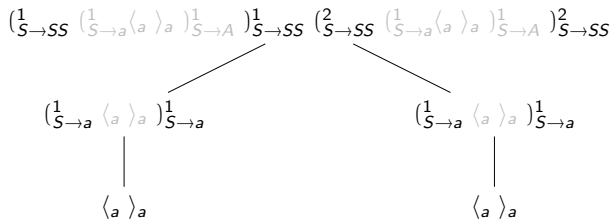
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**Output** sequence  $d_1 \dots d_k$  of ASTs for  $w$  in  $G$  s.t.  $\mu(d_1) \preceq \dots \preceq \mu(d_k)$  and  
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## $k$ -best CS parsing algorithm for WMCFG

**Input:**  $W$ -weighted MCFG  $(G, \mu)$ ,  $w$ , total order  $\trianglelefteq$  on  $W$ ,  $k \in \mathbb{N}$

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- 2:  $R^w \leftarrow \{v \in \Delta^* \mid h(v)(w) \neq 0\}$
- 3:  $R^{local}: R \cap R^w \rightarrow W$  such that  $R^{local}(v) = h(v)(w)$
- 4: **return**  $(\text{ordered}_{\trianglelefteq}; \text{filter}(D); \text{map}(\text{toderiv}); \text{take}(k))(R^{local})$

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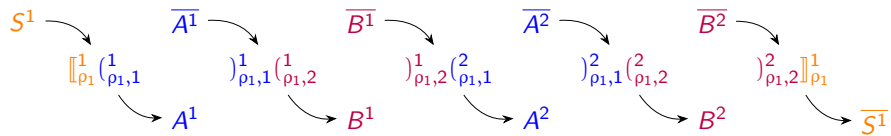
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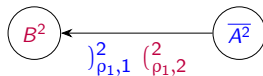
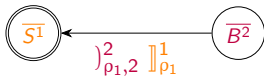
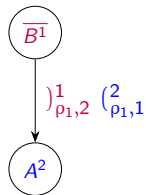
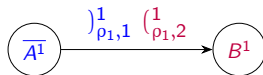
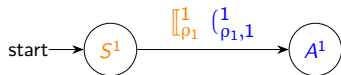
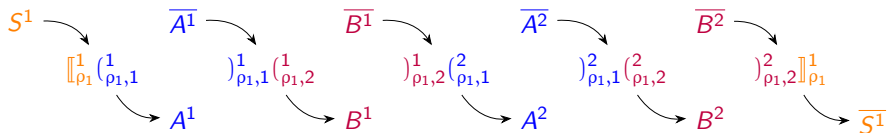
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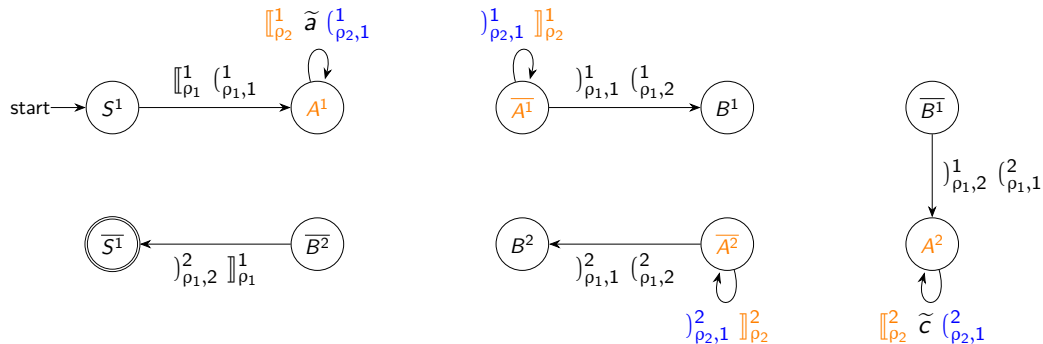


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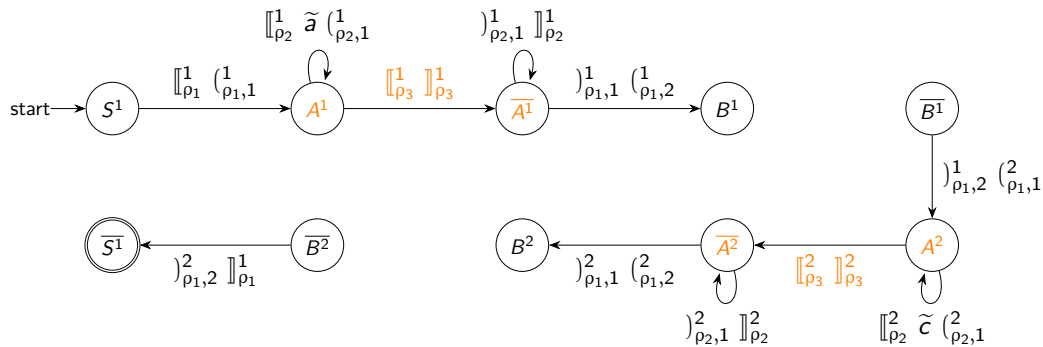
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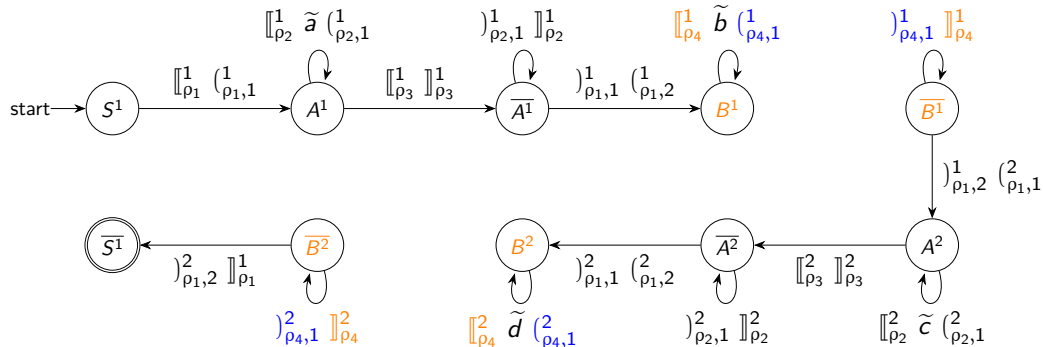
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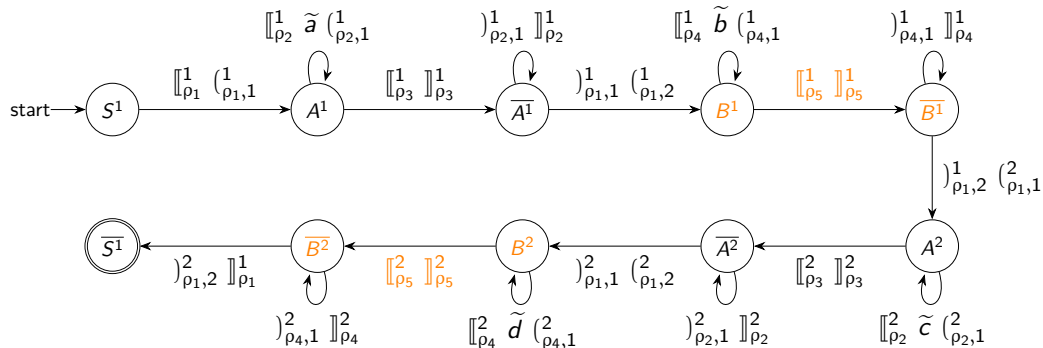
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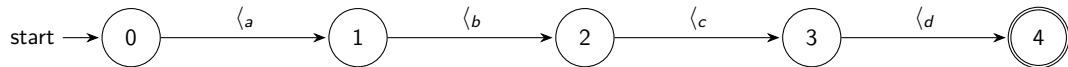
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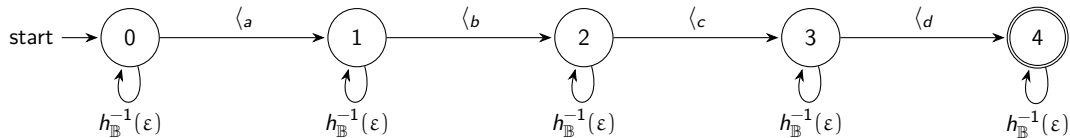
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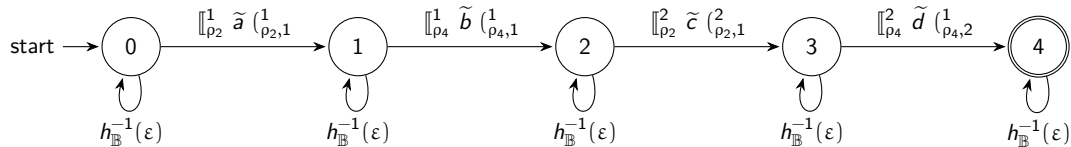
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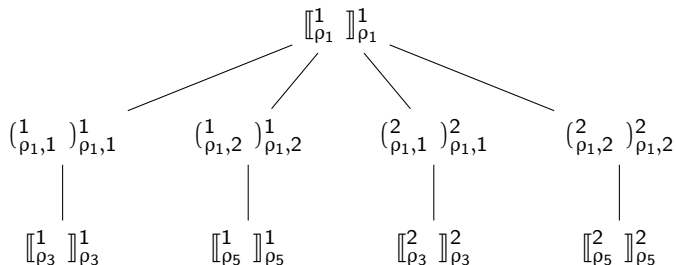
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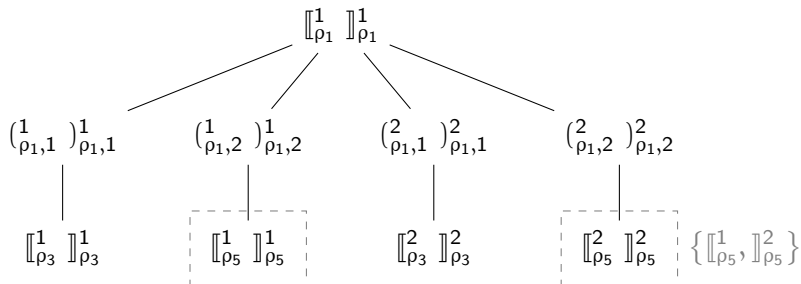
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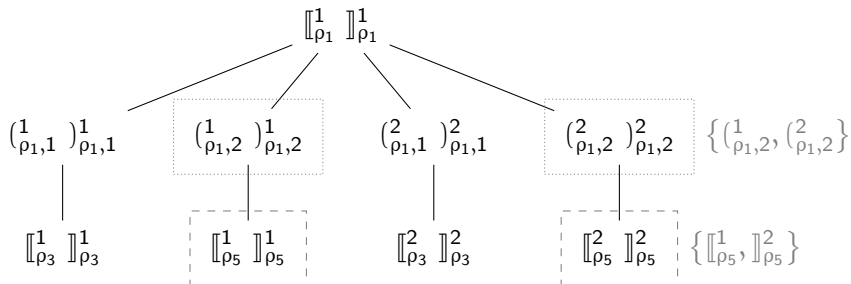
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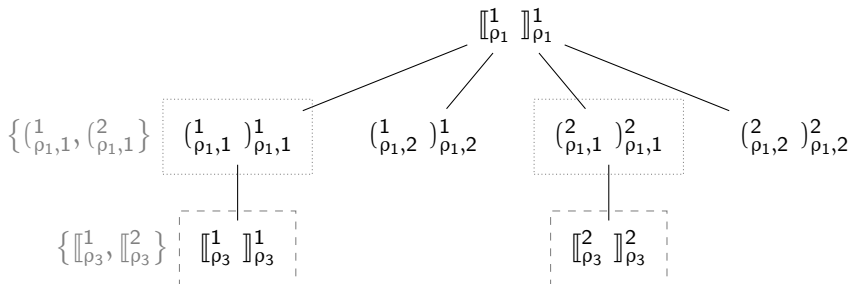
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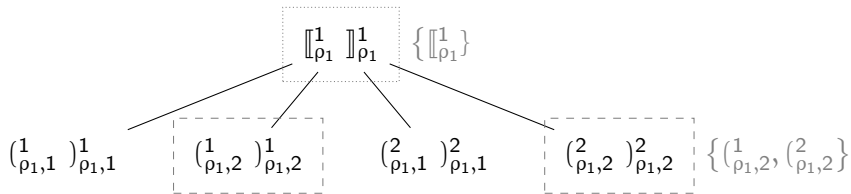
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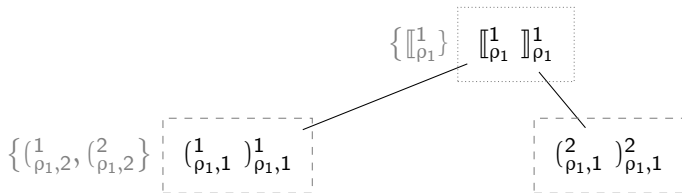
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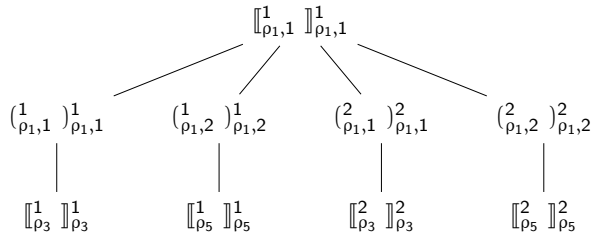
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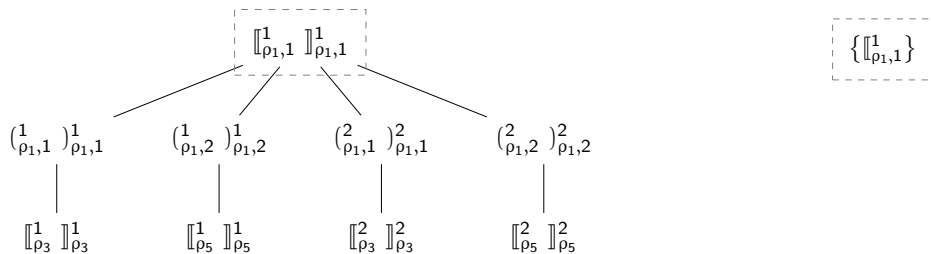
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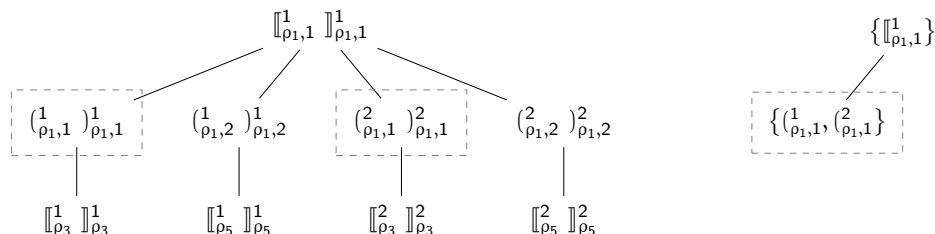
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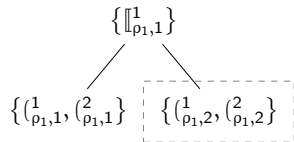
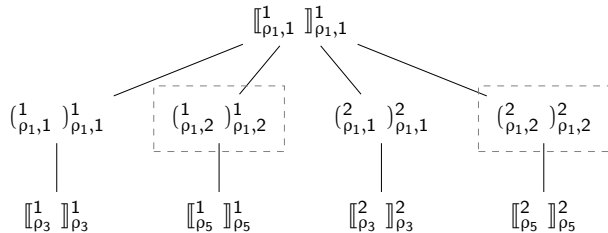
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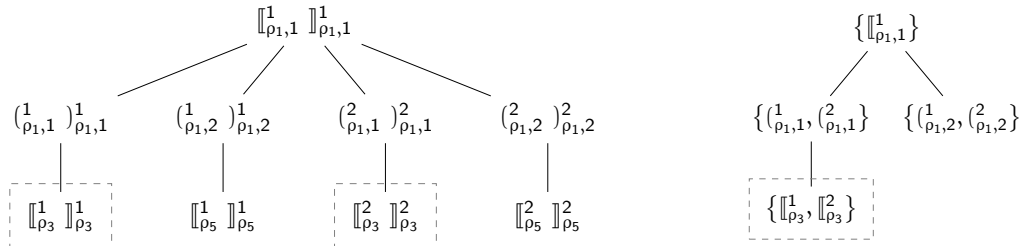
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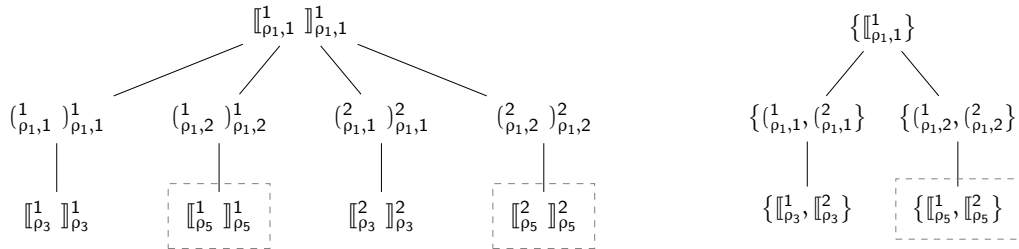
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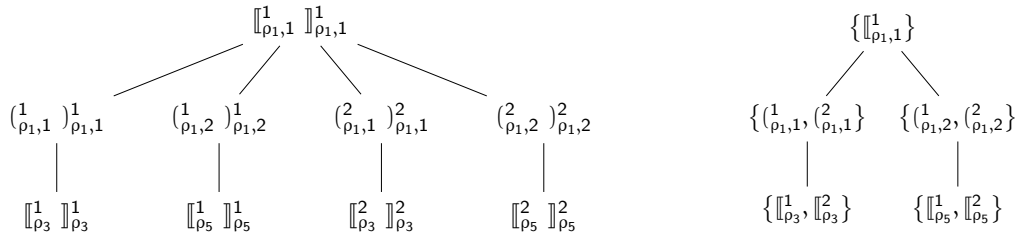
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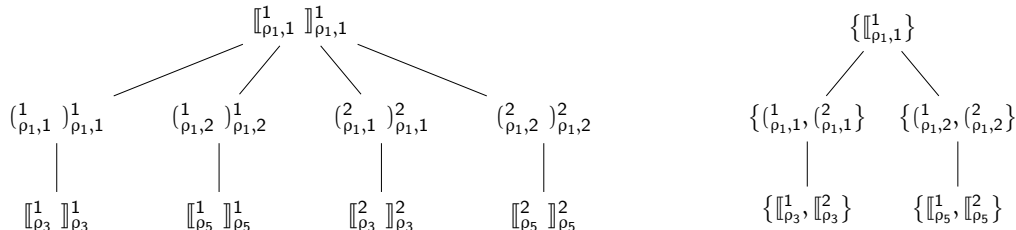
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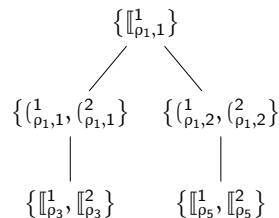
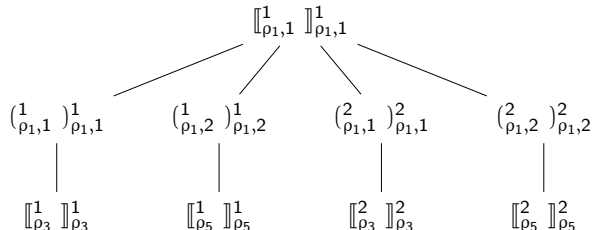
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# implementation

- ▶ implementation in *Rust*, as a part of *Rustomata*<sup>1</sup>
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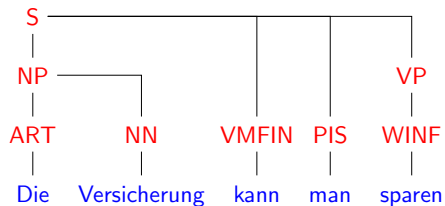
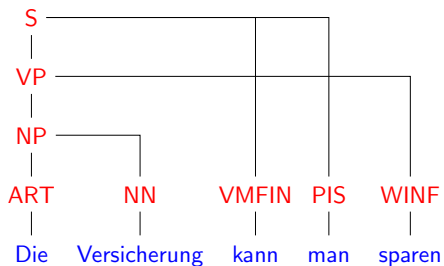
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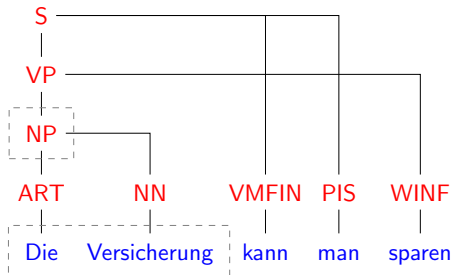
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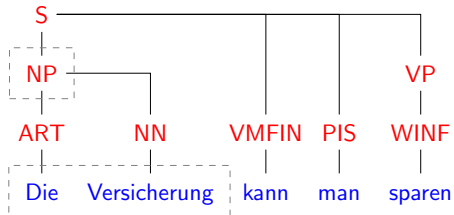
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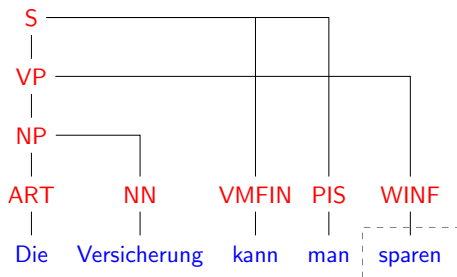
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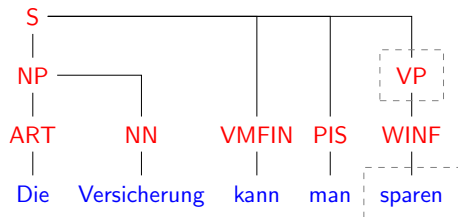
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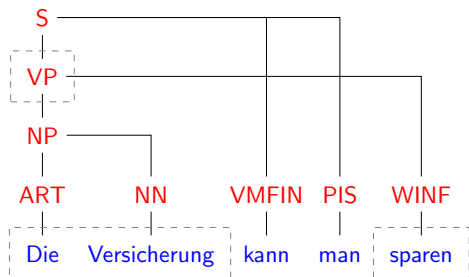
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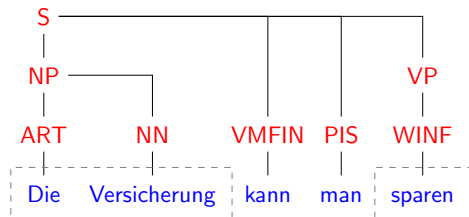
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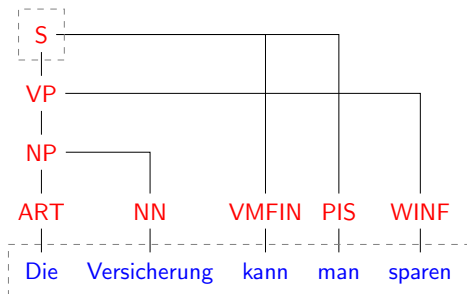
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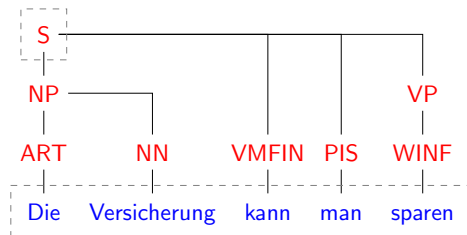
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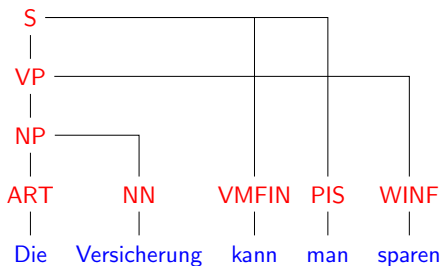


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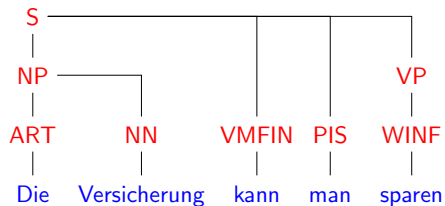
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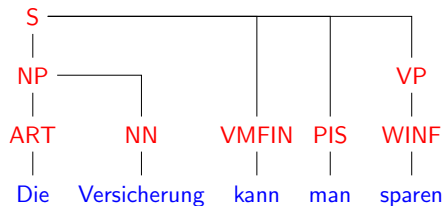
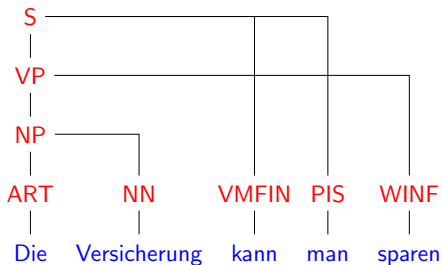


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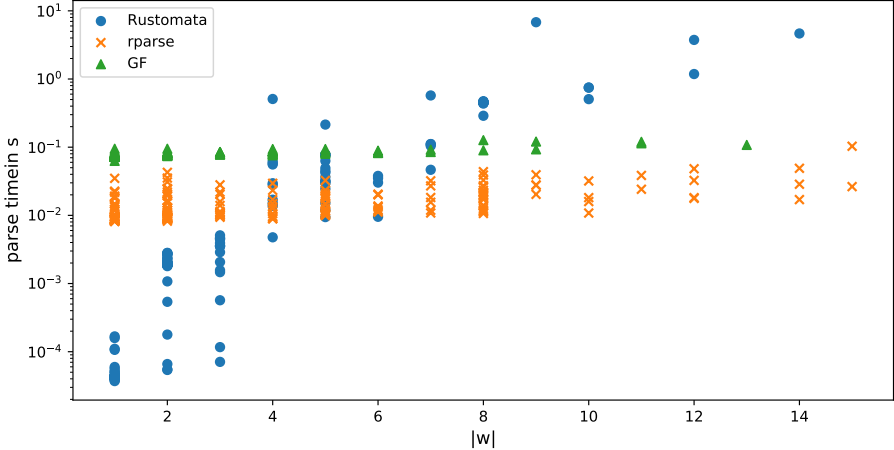
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parser	Rustomata	rparse	Grammatical Framework
accuracy of POS-tags	0.64	0.94	0.44
number of predicted constituents	306	416	239
labeled precision for all constituents	0.96	0.86	0.94
labeled recall for all constituents	0.70	0.86	0.62
labeled f-score for all constituents	0.81	0.86	0.75

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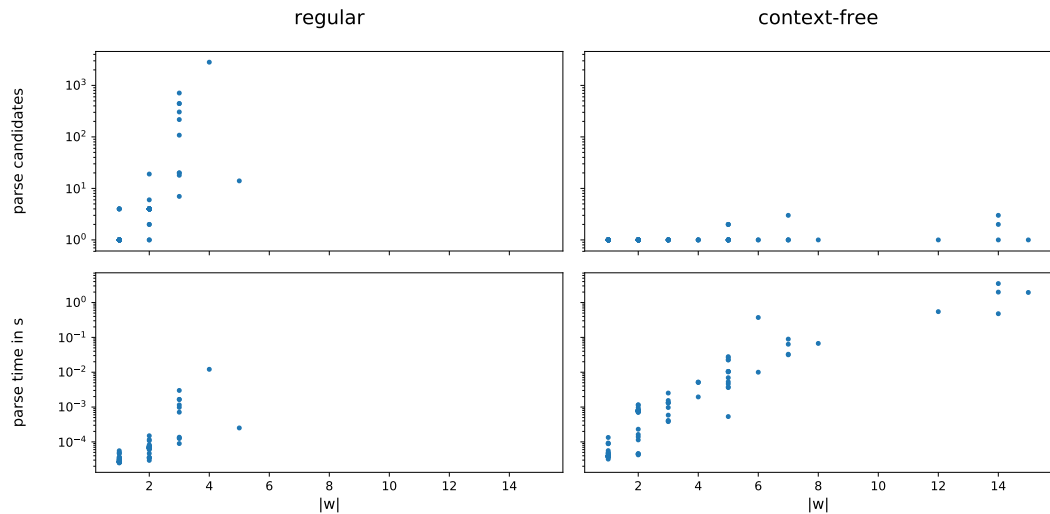
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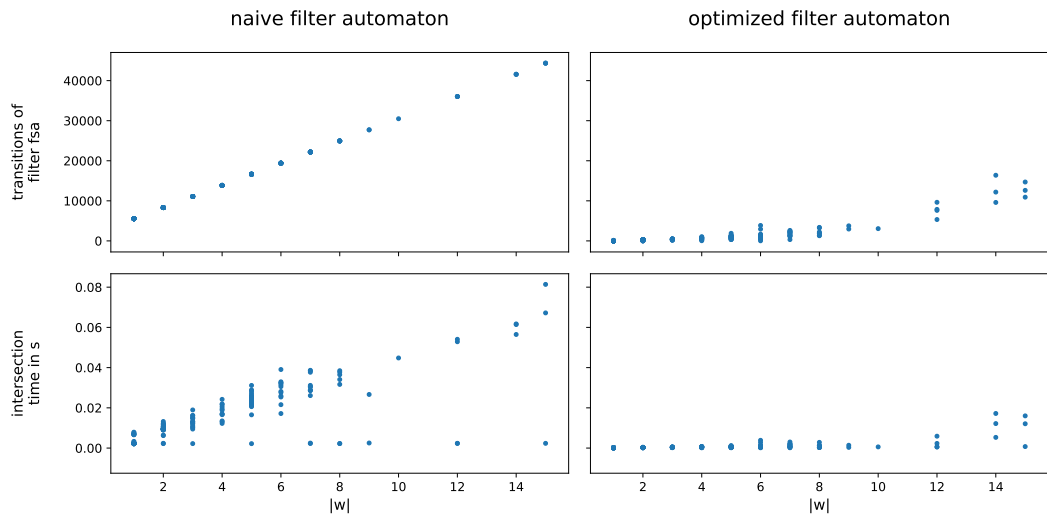
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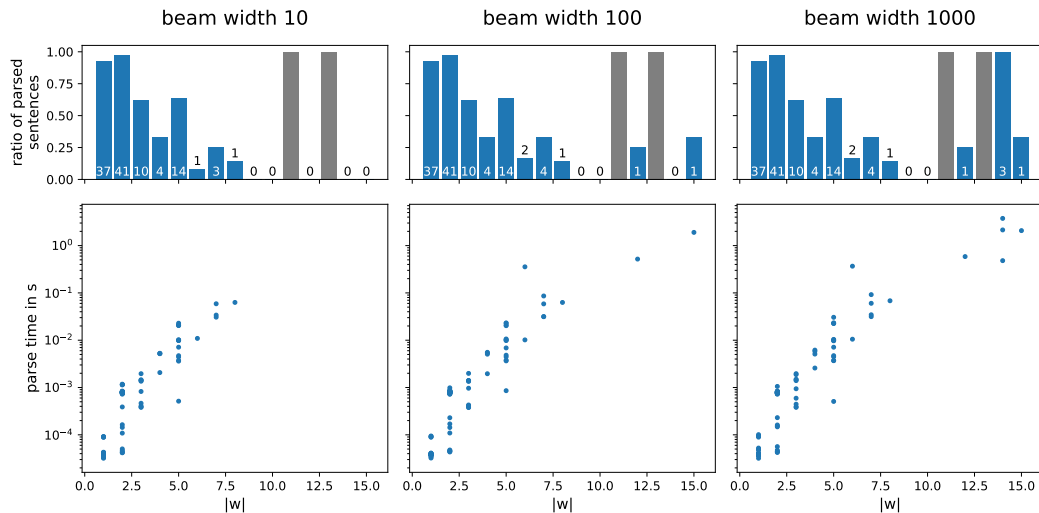
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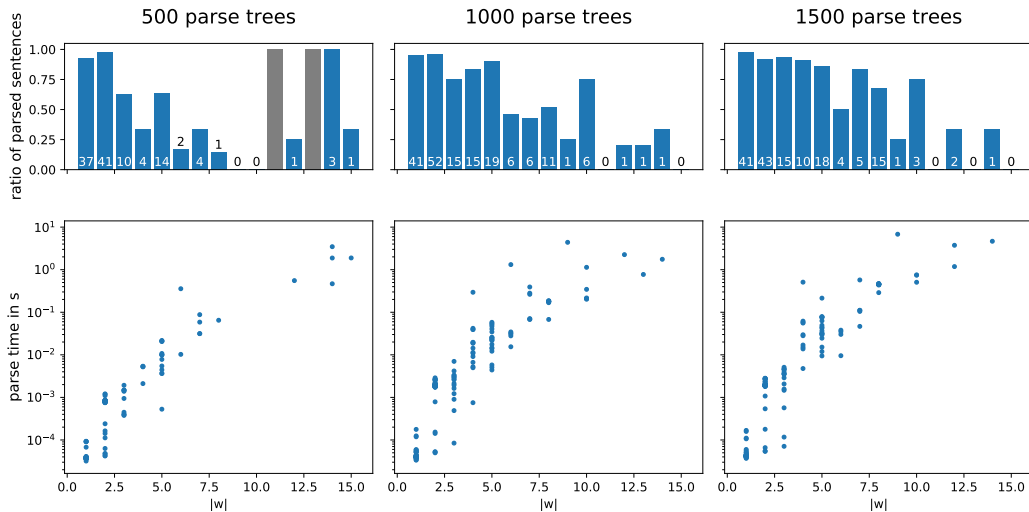


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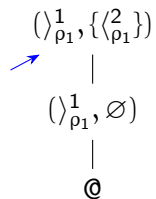


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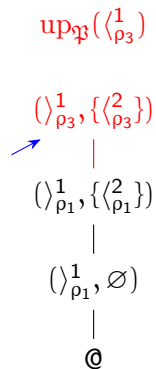
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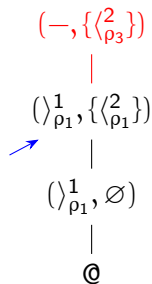
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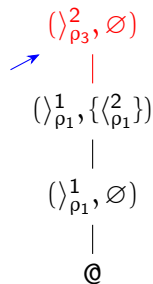
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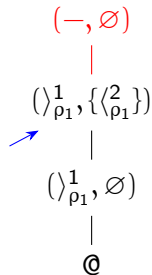
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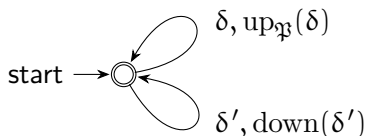


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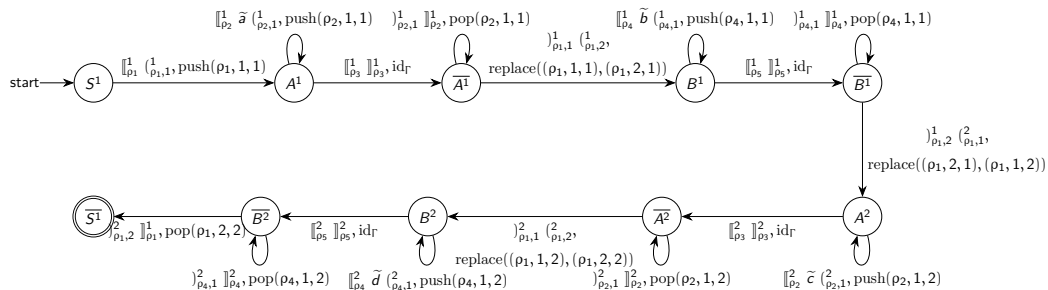
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- ▶ for each  $\delta \in \Delta, \delta' \in \bar{\Delta}$



# $R \cap D(\Delta)$

- ▶ there are *lots* of candidates, very few are even Dyck words
- ▶ limit  $R$  to Dyck words using PDA
- ▶ superset approximation of generator PDA is generator FSA



## omit unnecessary brackets

- ▶ omit all grammar rules that cannot be utilized in derivation

$$P : S \rightarrow [x_{1,1}x_{2,1}x_{1,2}x_{2,2}](A, B),$$

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## multiple Dyck language

- ▶ congruence relation for each  $v_1, \dots, v_k \in D(\Sigma)$  with  $v_1 \dots v_k \equiv_{\Sigma, \mathfrak{P}} \varepsilon$

$$\sigma_1 v_1 \overline{\sigma_1} u_1 \sigma_2 \dots u_{k-1} \sigma_k v_k \overline{\sigma_k} \equiv_{\Sigma, \mathfrak{P}} u_1 \dots u_{k-1}$$

if  $\{\sigma_1, \dots, \sigma_k\} \in \mathfrak{P}$  and  $u_1, \dots, u_k$  are Dyck words over  $\Sigma$

- ▶  $D = [\varepsilon]_{\equiv_{\Delta, \mathfrak{P}(G)}}$

## sorted multiple Dyck language

- ▶  $(\Sigma, \text{sort})$  sorted alphabet,  $\mathfrak{P}$  partition of  $\Sigma$  such that  $\text{sort}(\sigma) = \text{sort}(\sigma') \implies \exists \mathfrak{p} \in \mathfrak{P}: \sigma, \sigma' \in \mathfrak{p}$
- ▶ let  $\sigma_1, \dots, \sigma_k \in \Sigma$ ,  $v_1, \dots, v_k \in D(\Sigma)$ ,  
 $\sigma_1 v_1 \overline{\sigma_1} \dots \sigma_k v_k \overline{\sigma_k} \in \text{smD}(\Sigma, \text{sort}, \mathfrak{P})$  iff there is a partition  $\mathfrak{B}$  of  $[k]$  such that for each  $\{b_1, \dots, b_\ell\} \in \mathfrak{B}$  where  $b_1 < \dots < b_\ell$ :
  - ▶  $v_{b_1} \dots v_{b_\ell} \in \text{smD}(\Sigma, \text{sort}, \mathfrak{P})$
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## reachability analysis

- ▶ let  $G = (N, \Sigma, P, S)$  non-deleting MCFG and  $w \in \Sigma^*$
- ▶ set of  $w$ -productive rules  $P_w$  is the smallest set  $P' \subseteq P$  such that

$$\rho = A \rightarrow [u_{1,0}x_{i(1,1)}^{j(1,1)} u_{1,1} \dots x_{i(1,m_1)}^{j(1,m_1)} u_{1,m_1}, \dots, u_{s,0}x_{i(s,1)}^{j(s,1)} \dots u_{s,m_s}](A_1, \dots, A_k) \in P'$$

iff  $\rho \in P$ ,  $u_{1,0}, \dots, u_{s,m_s}$  are subsequences in  $w$  and there are rules with lhs  $A_1, \dots, A_k \in P'$