

Binarized Forest-to-Tree Translation

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synchronous tree substitution grammar

Phrase based rule: {"green houses",
"maisons vertes"}

STSG rule1: {np(adj(green) n(house)),
np(n(maisons) adj(vertes))}

STSG rule2: {np(adj₀ n₁), np(n₁ adj₀)}

STSG rule3: {np(adj₀ n₁), "{1} {0}"}

optimal forest-to-string translation

$$e = \mathcal{Y}\left(\arg \max_{d \in D(T), T \in F(f)} P(d|T) \right)$$

f := source sentence

$F(f)$:= forest of parse trees of a source sentence

$D(T)$:= synchronous derivations of a parse tree

e := best translation

$\mathcal{Y}$:= yield of a derivation

parse-forest construction

rule extraction

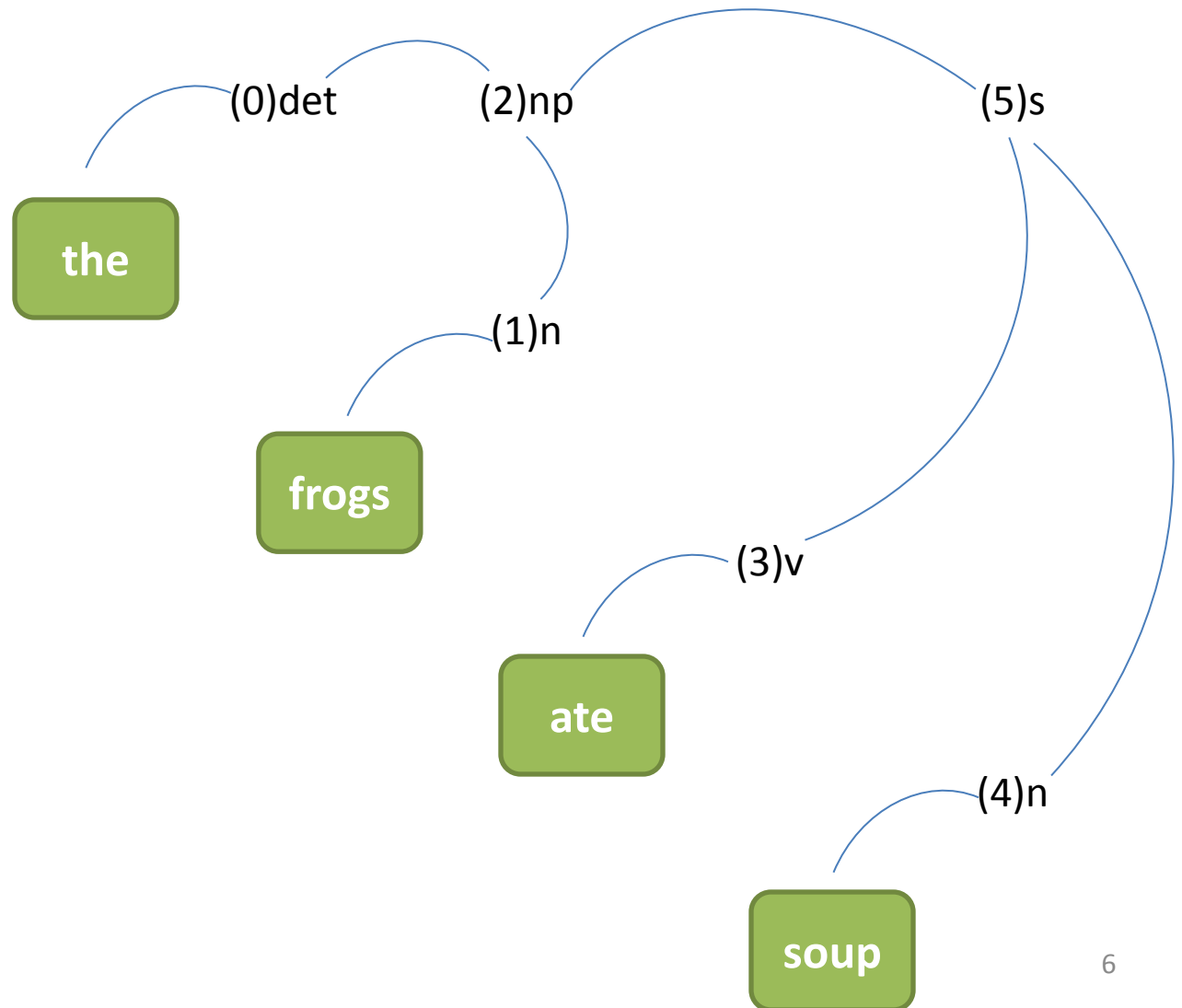
rule binarization

parse-forest construction

- Traditional forests
 - Construction
 - Drawbacks
- Proposed forests
 - Construction
 - Merits

parse-forest construction

best parse



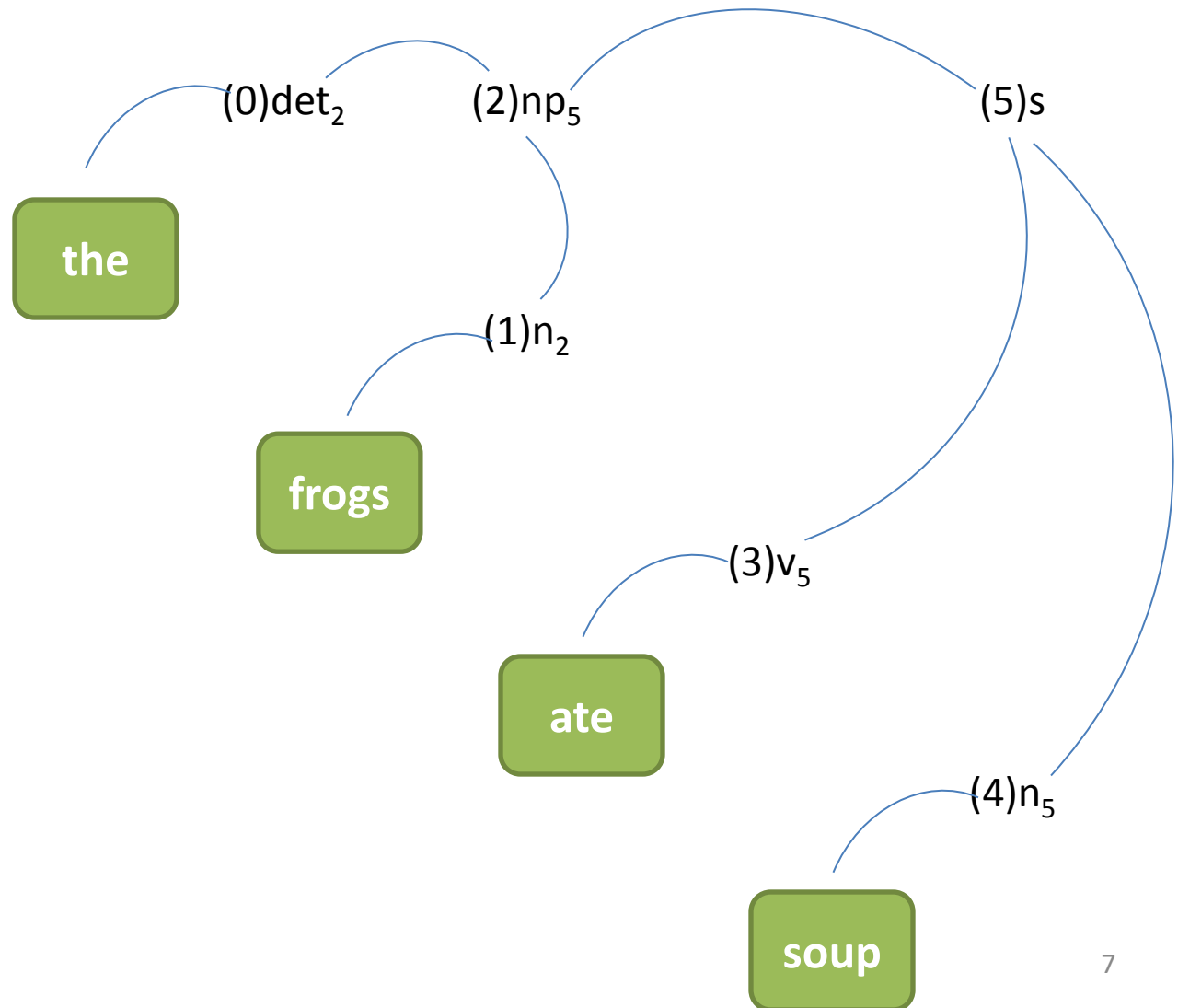
parse-forest construction

CYK-1

binarization:

ancestor

annotation

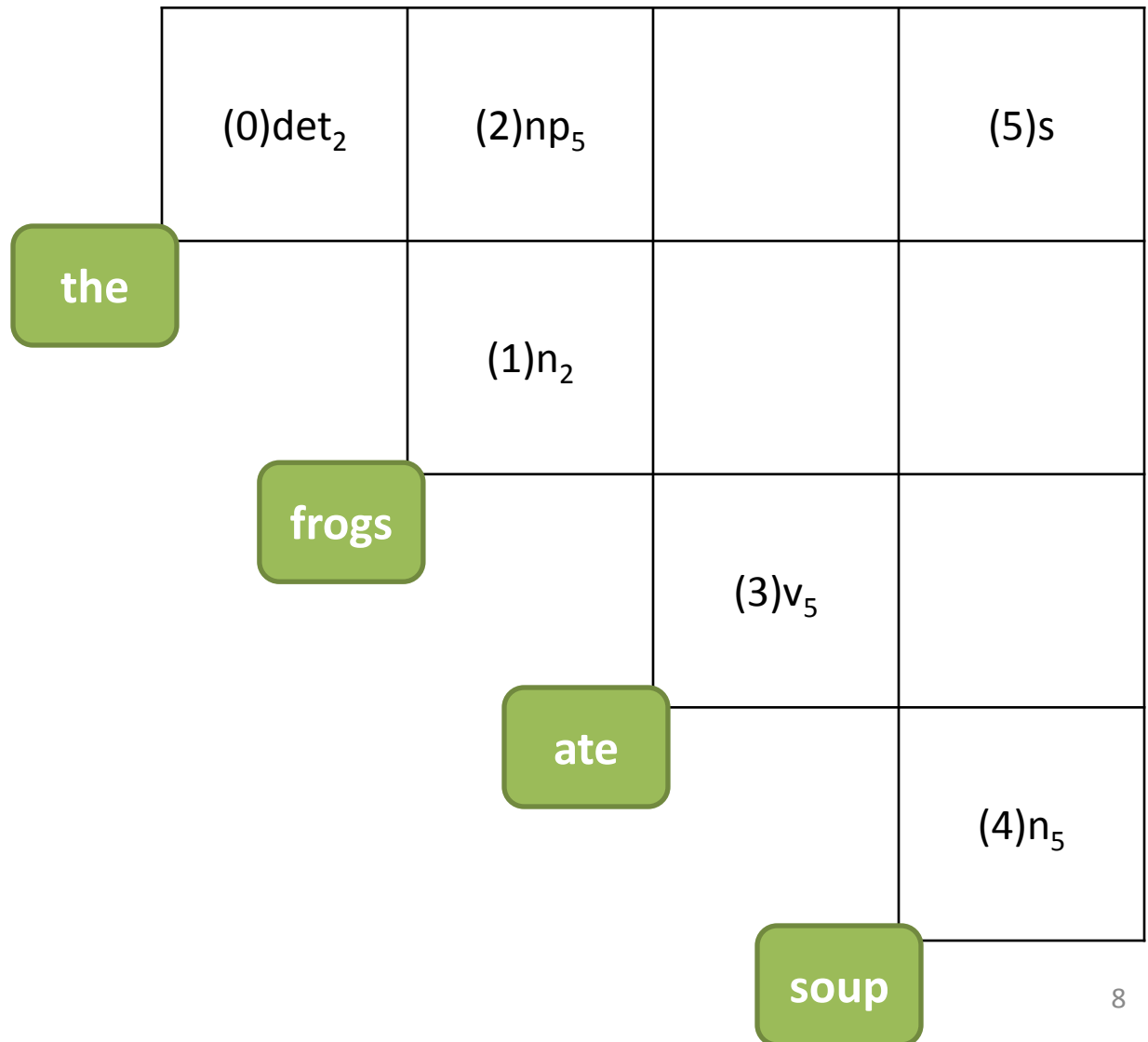


parse-forest construction

CYK-1

binarization:

drop
edges



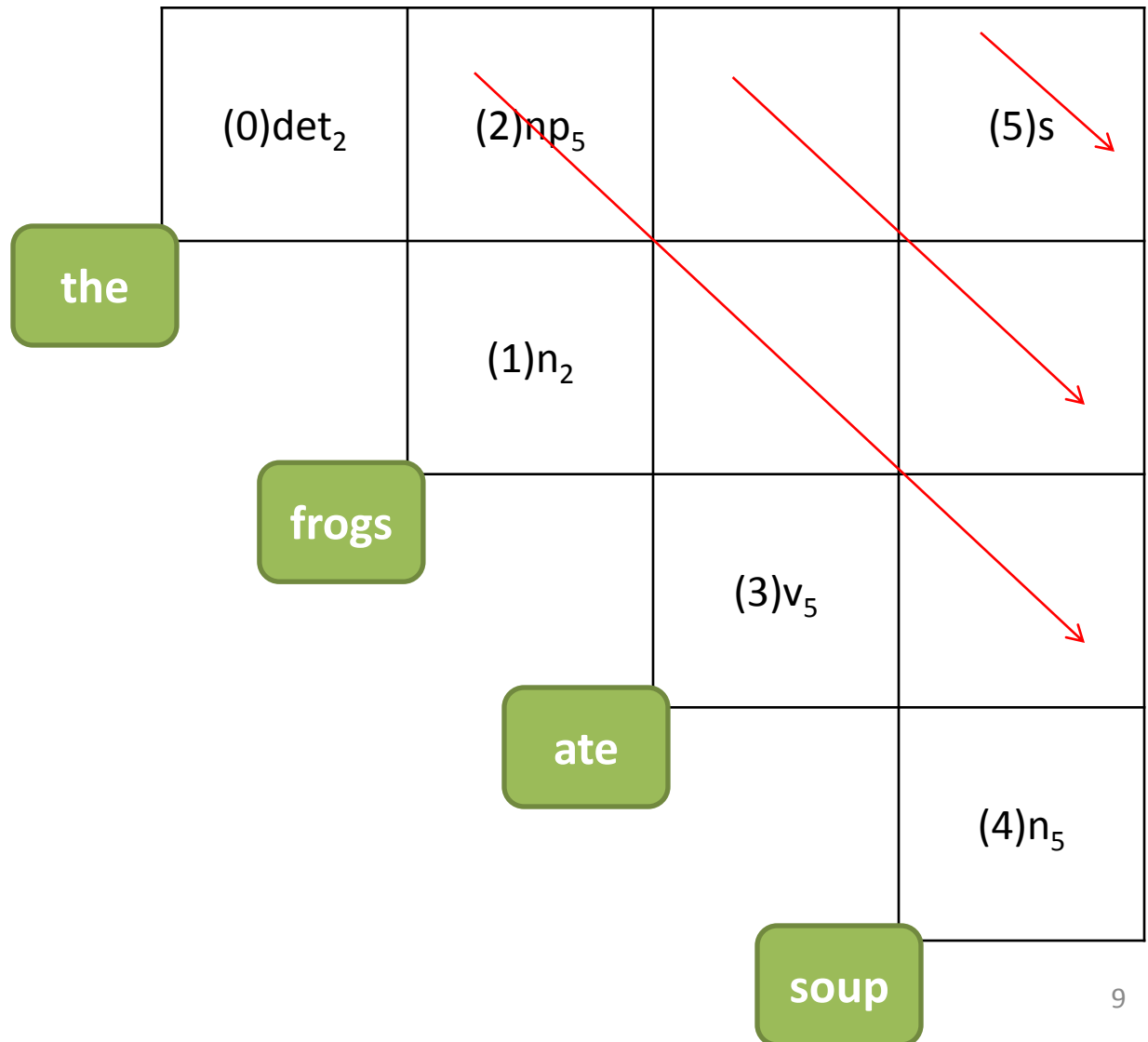
parse-forest construction

CYK-1

binarization:

processing

order



parse-forest construction

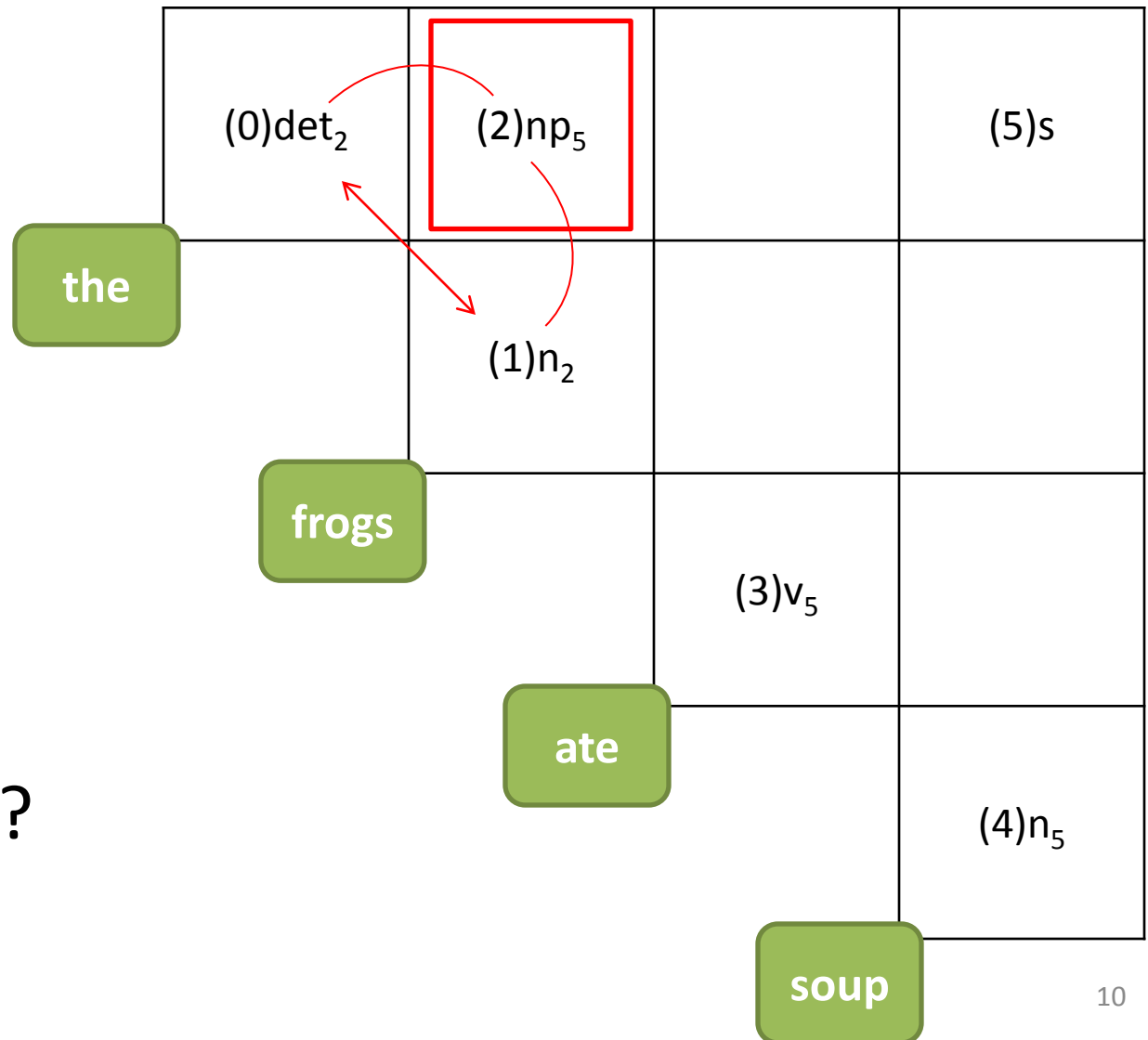
CYK-1

binarization:

processing
at each node:

left & right have
shared ancestor?

Yes!



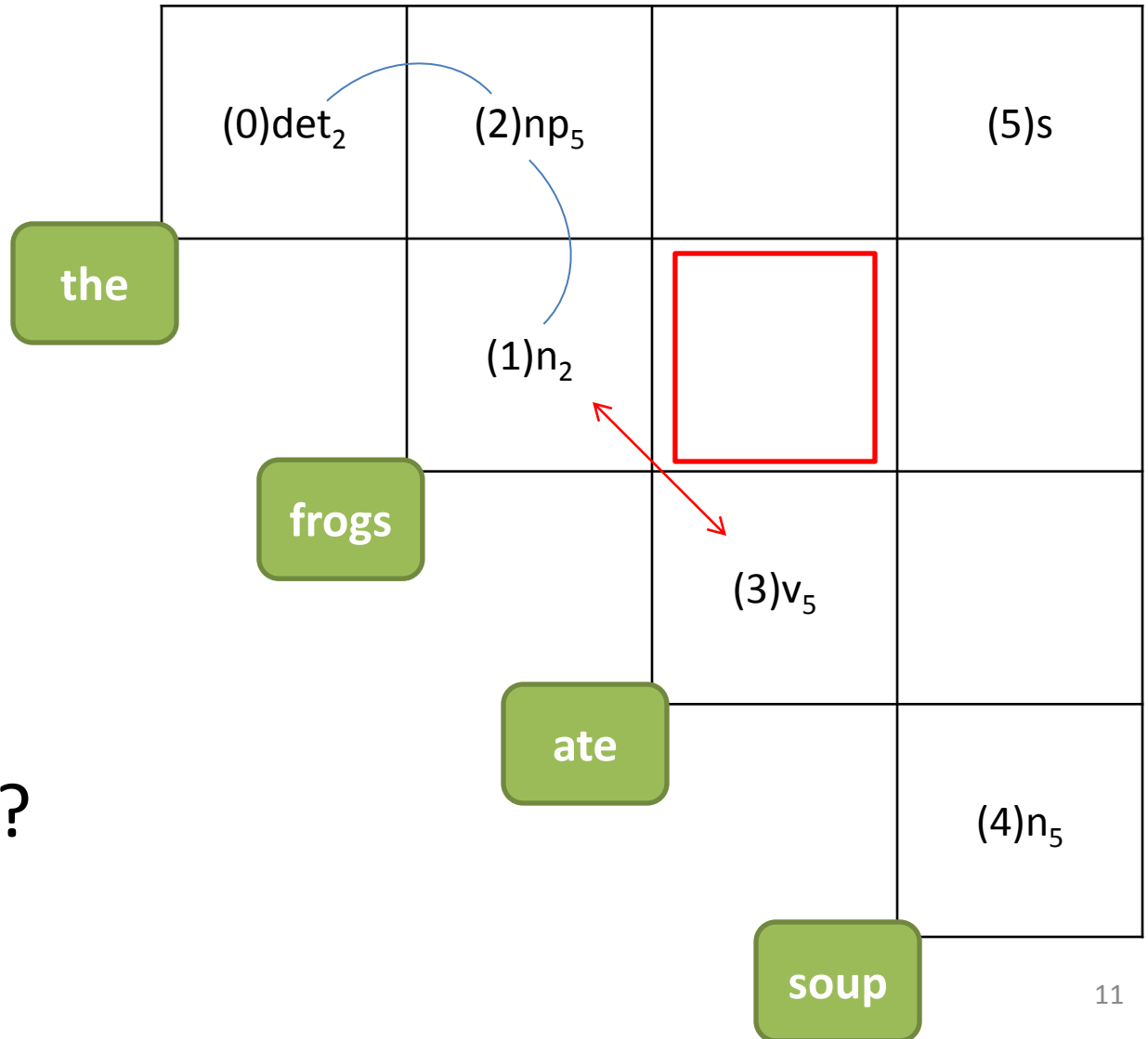
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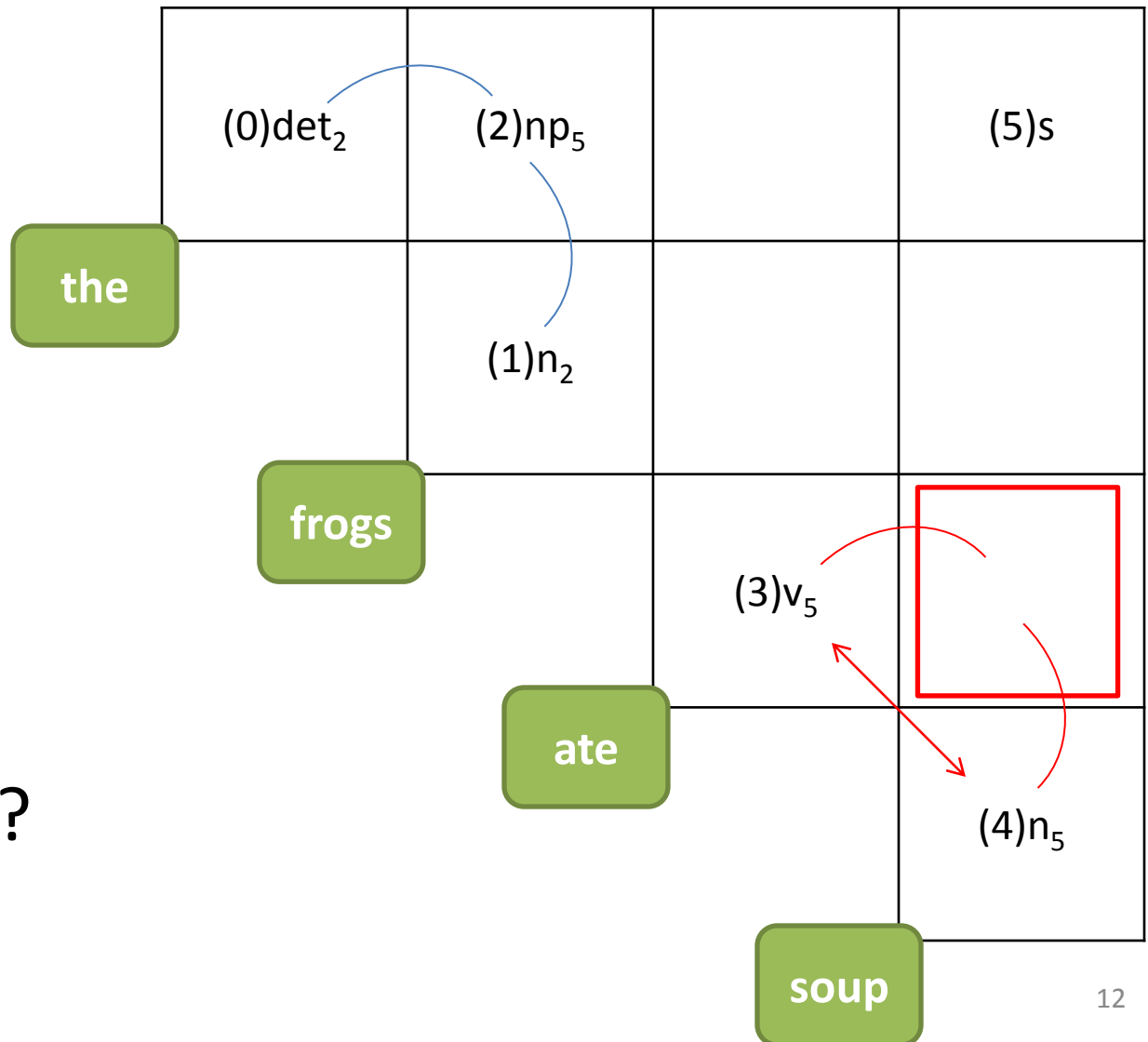
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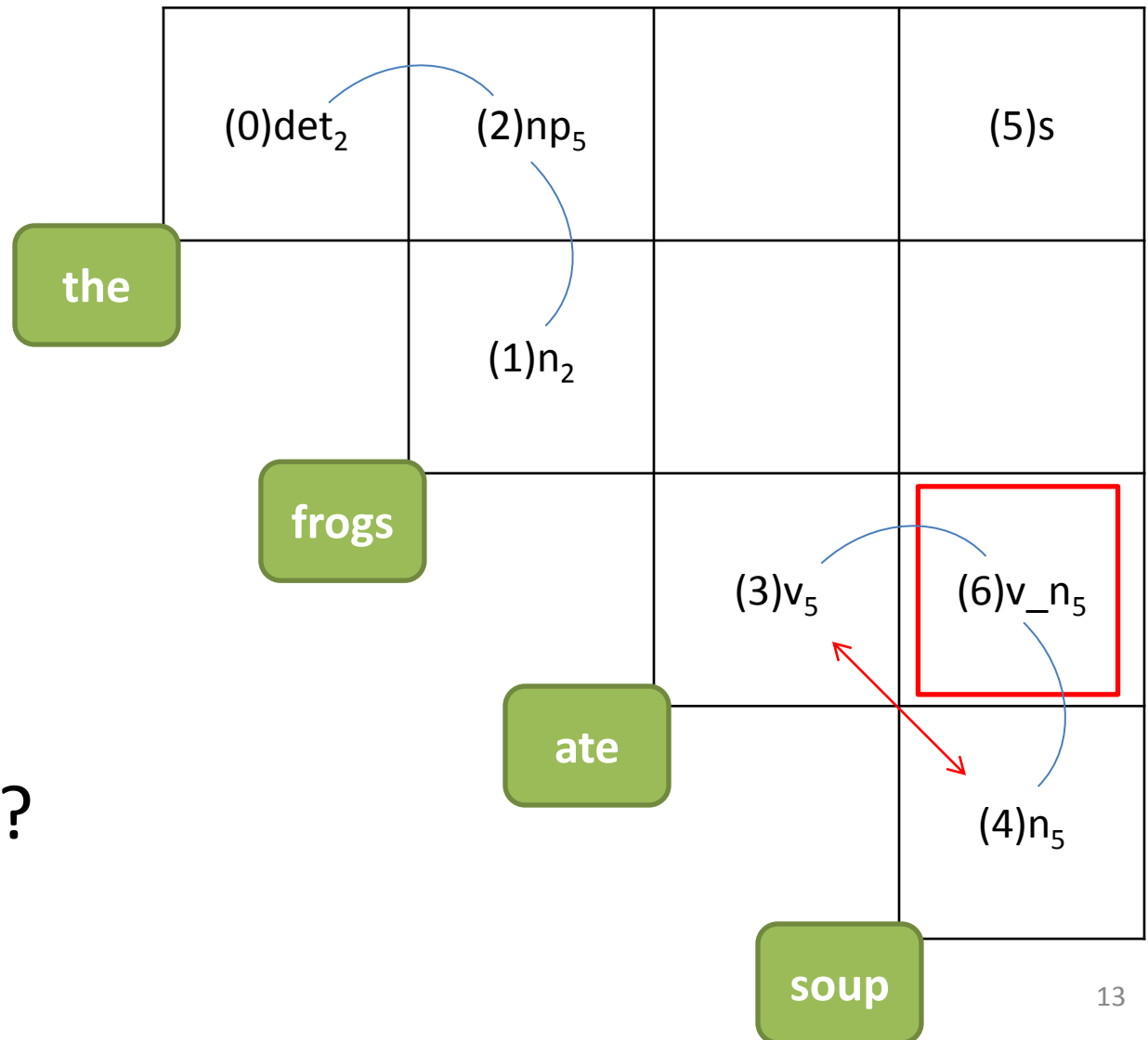
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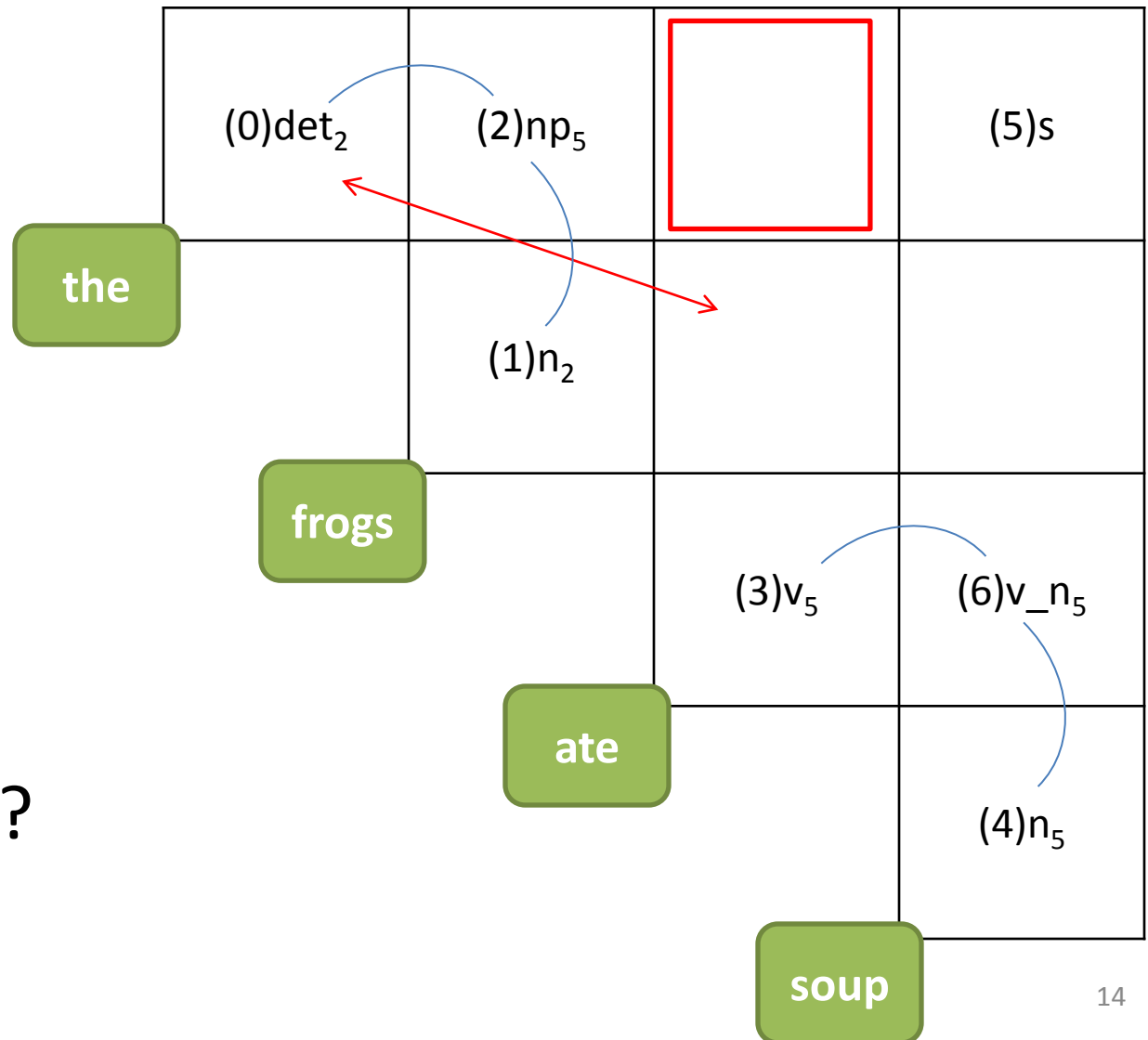
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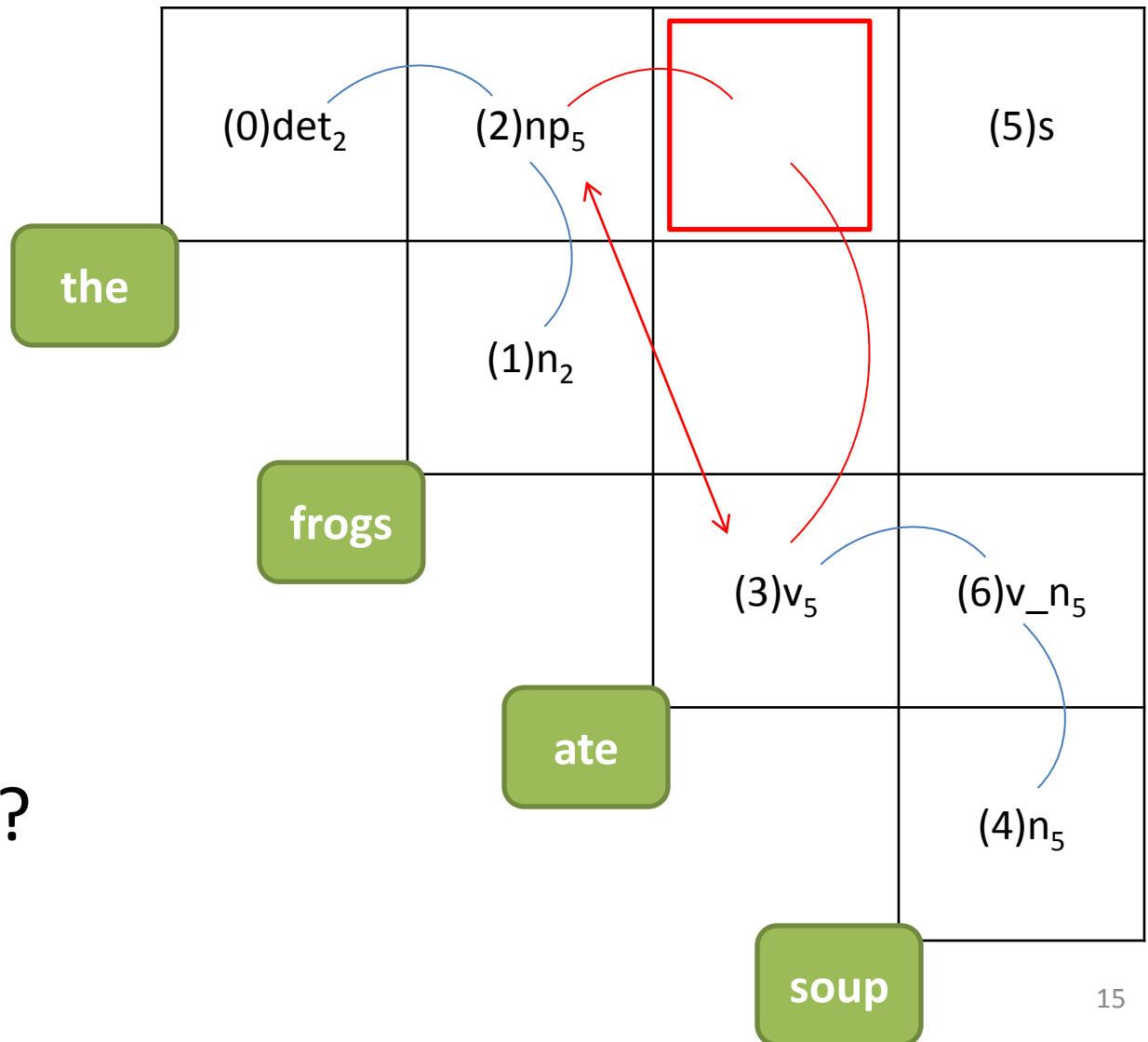
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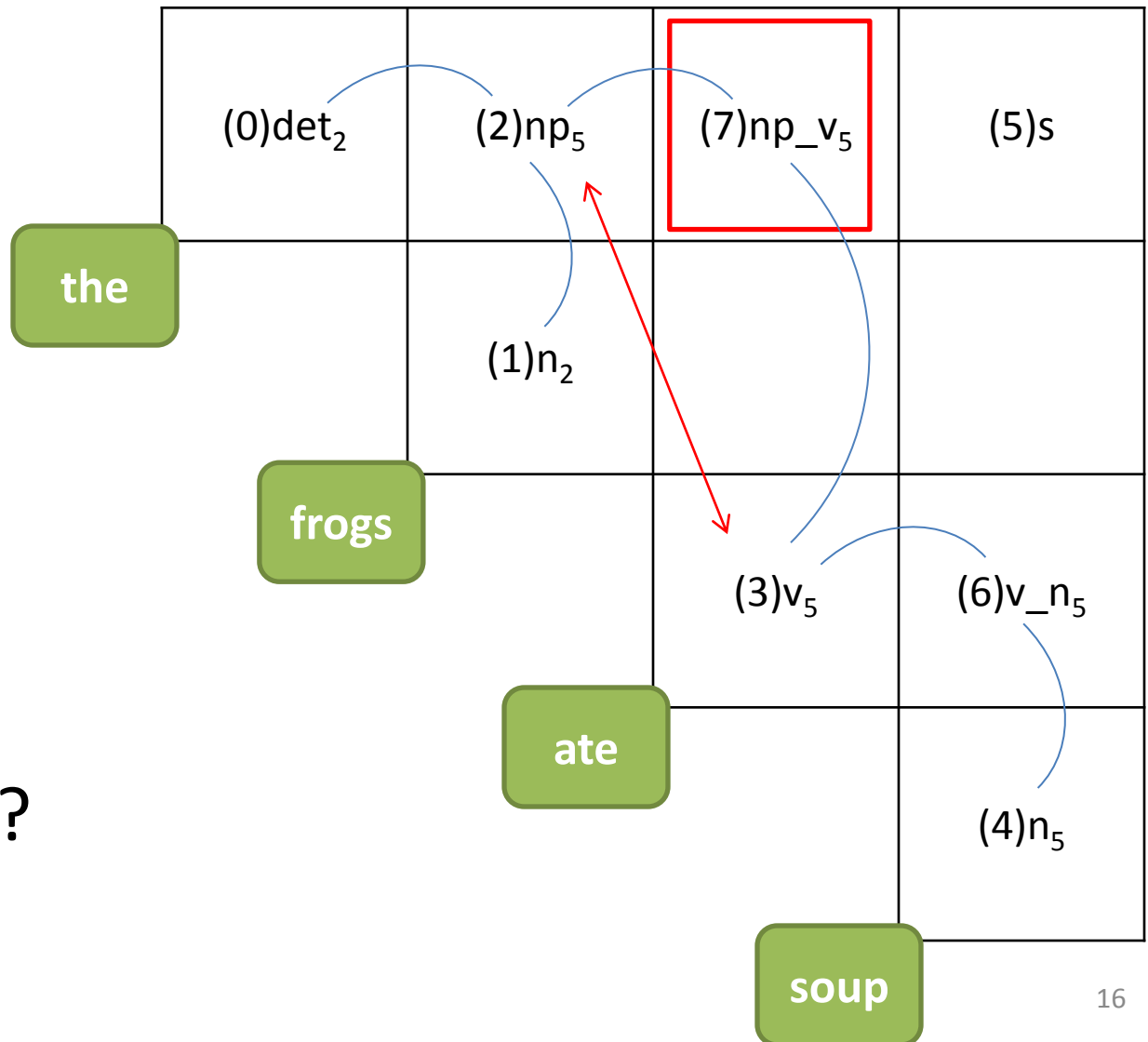
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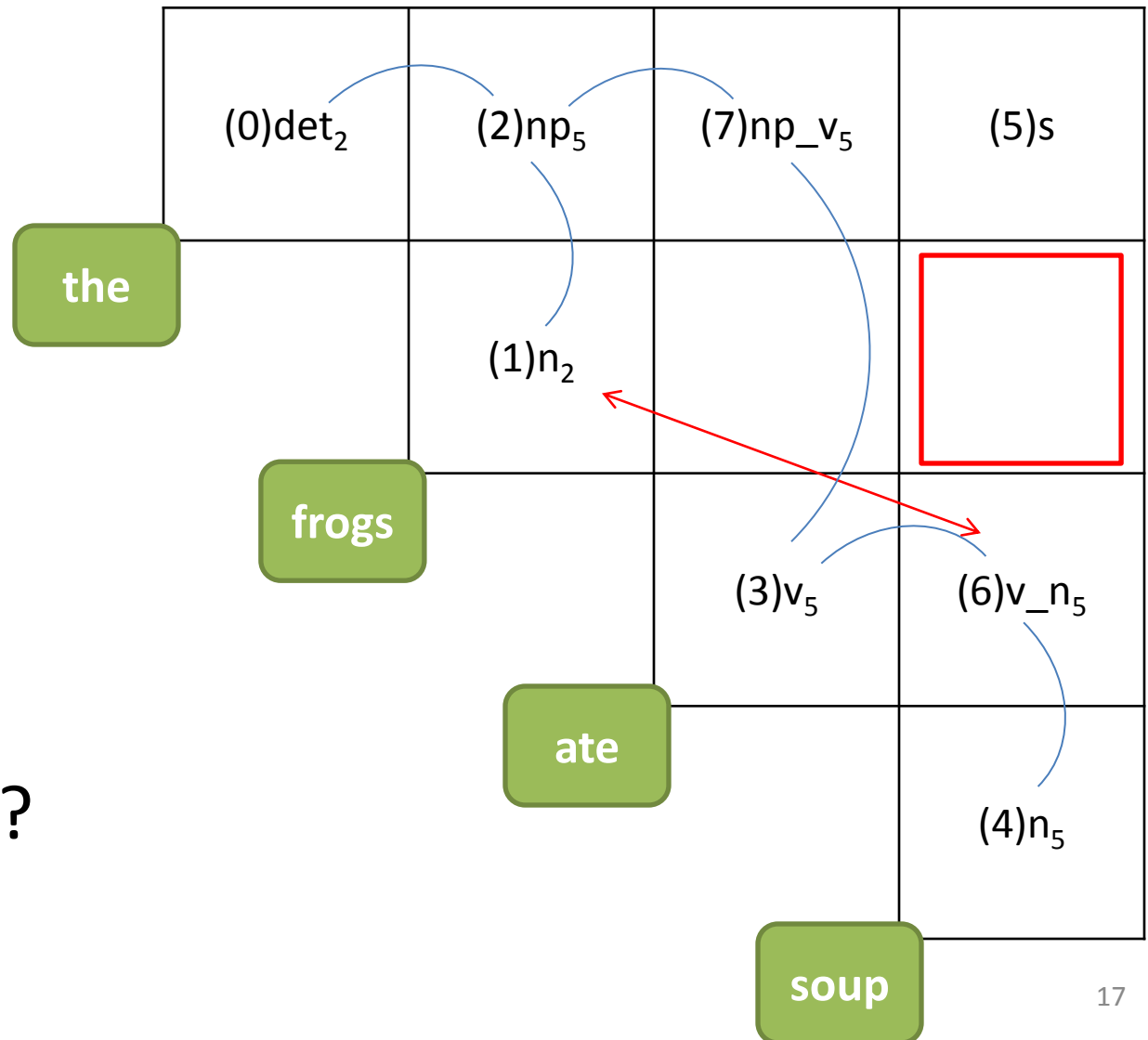
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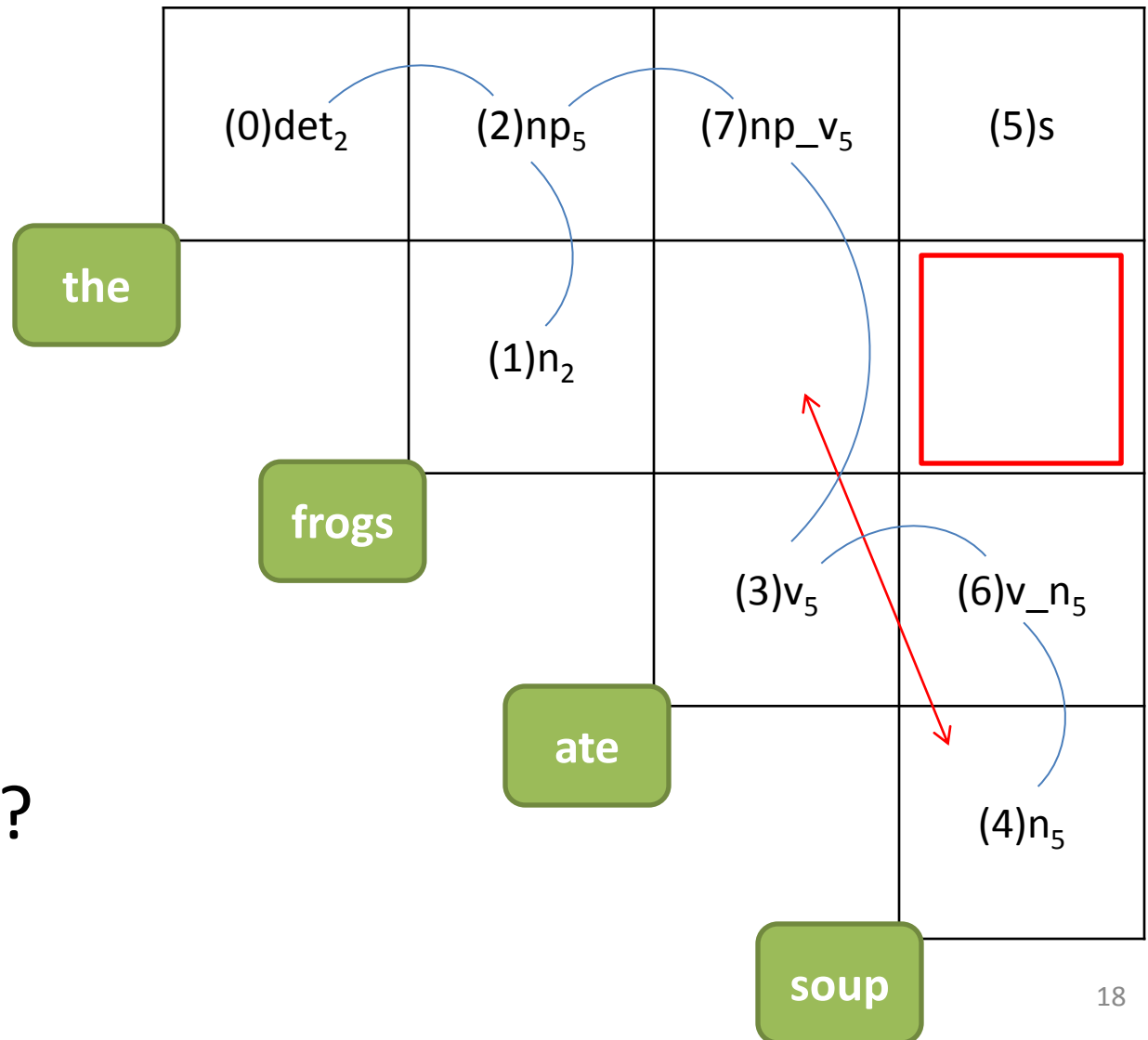
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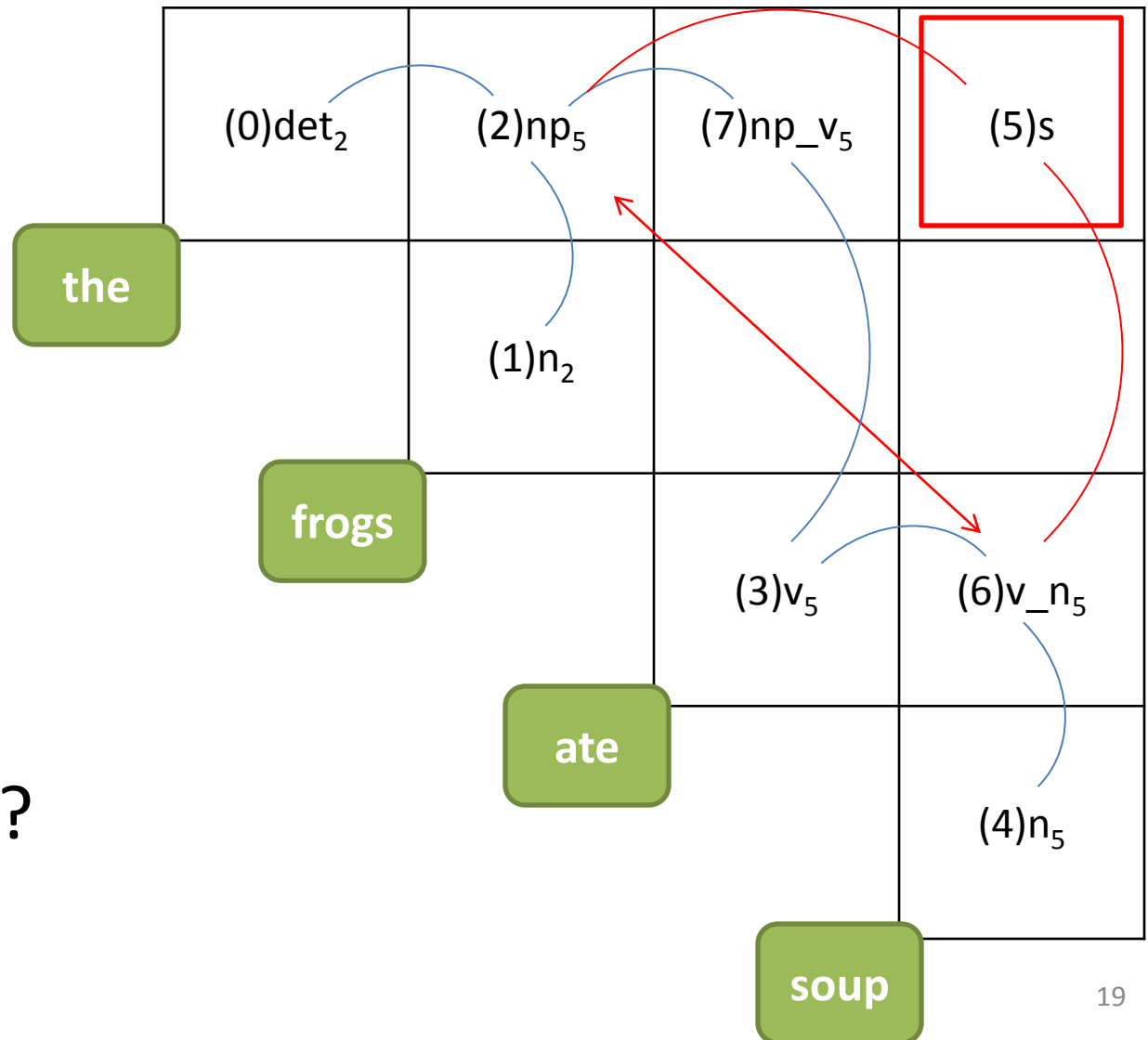
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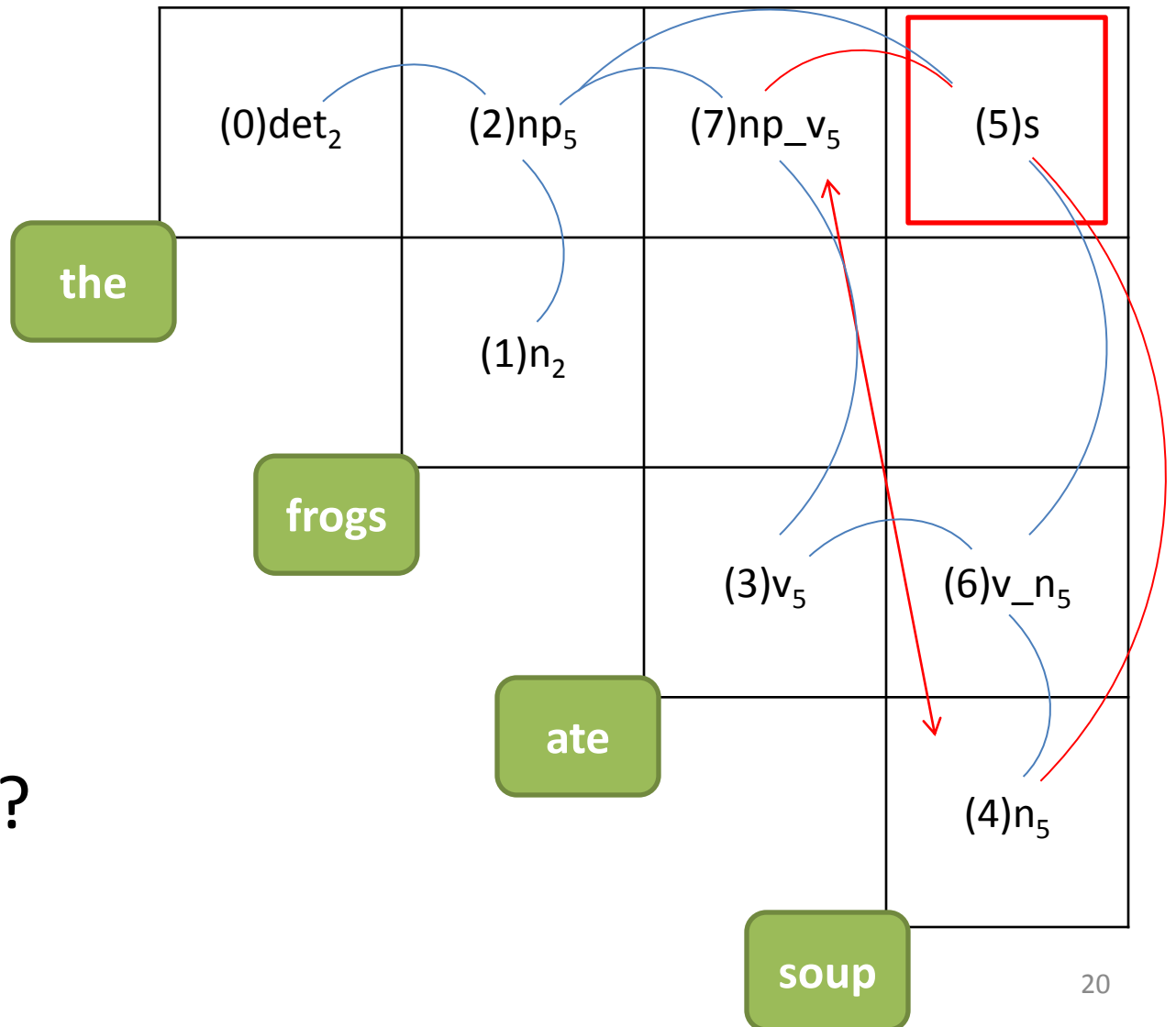
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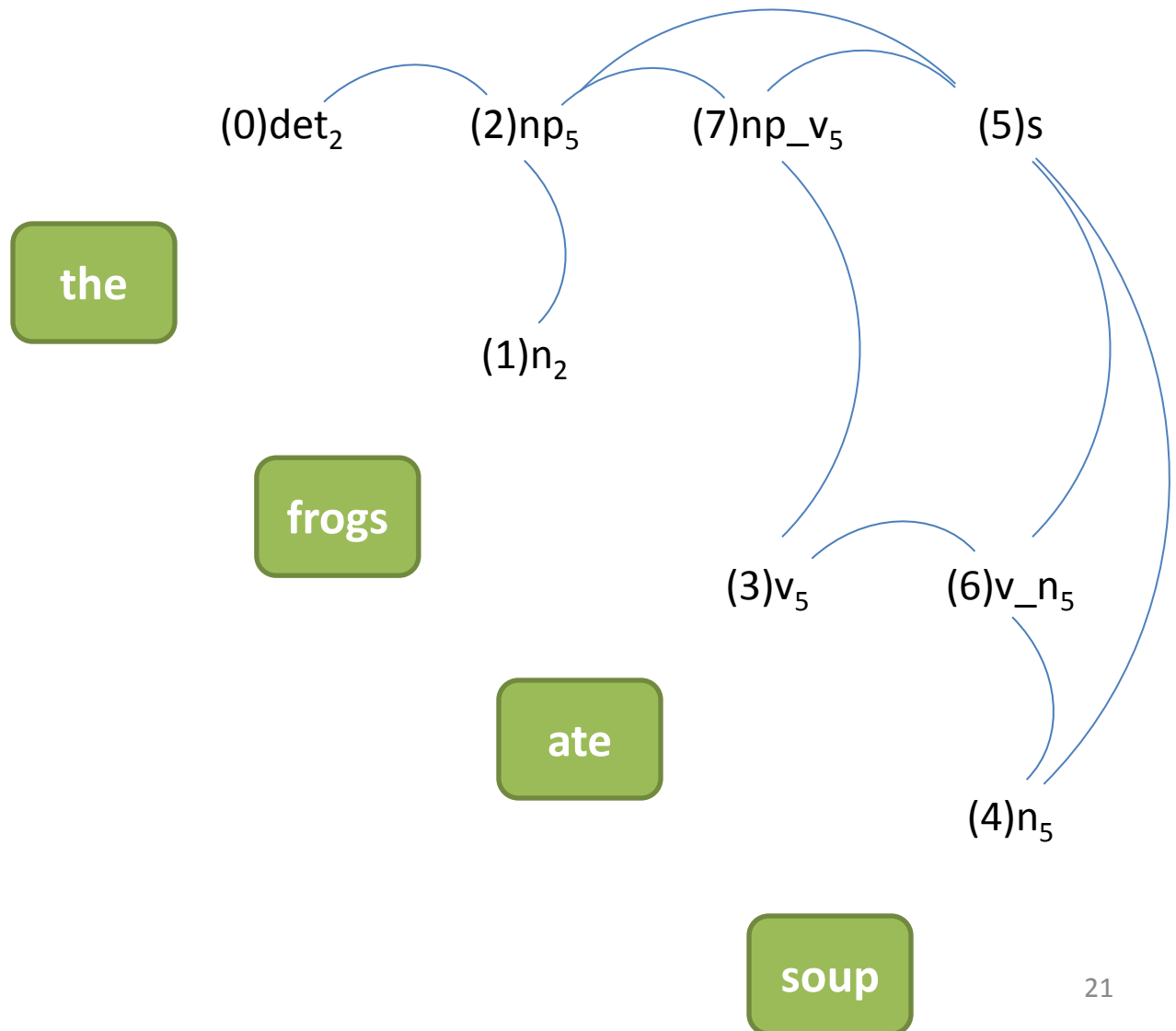


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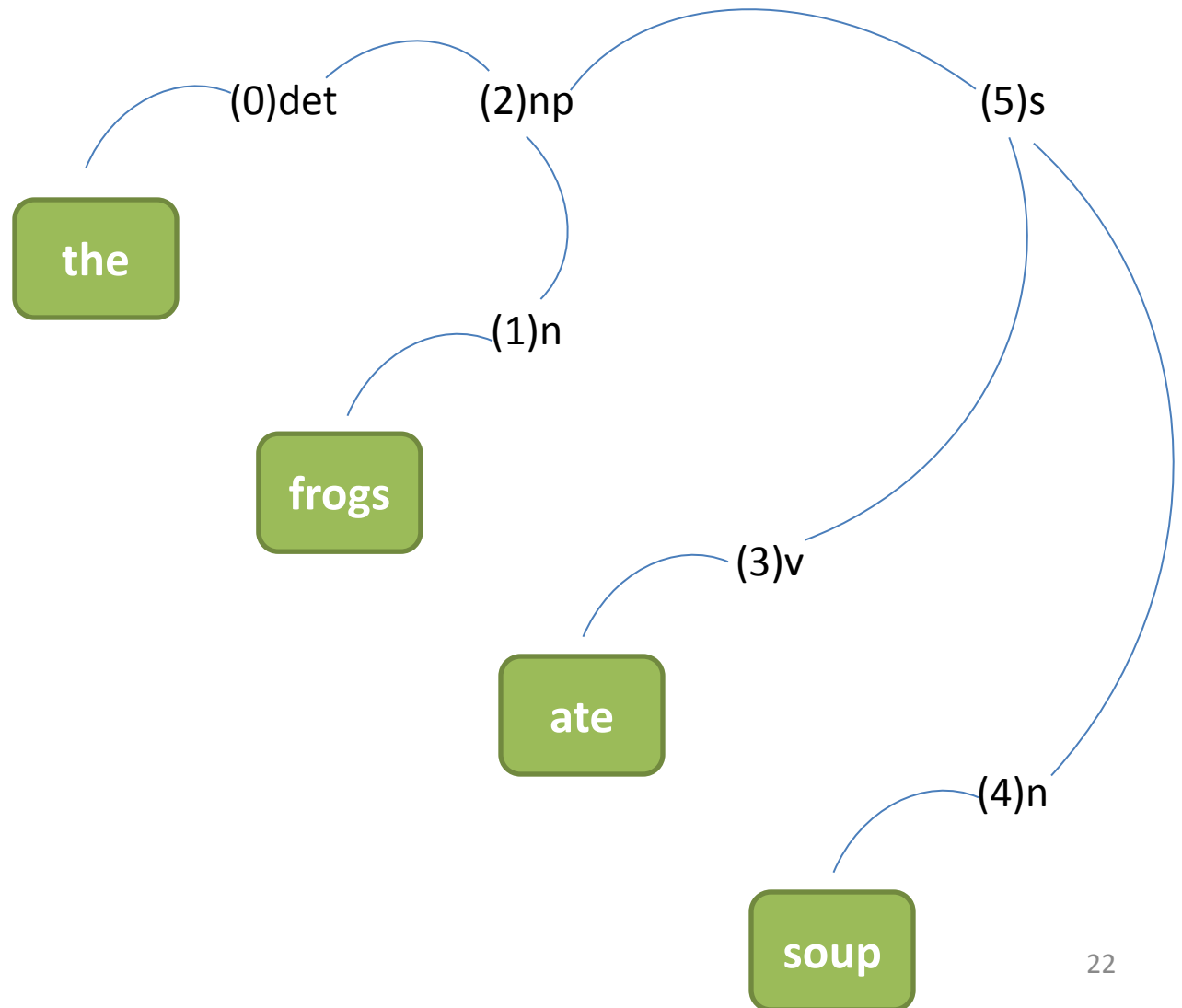
binarization:

final
parsing
forest



parse-forest construction

best parse



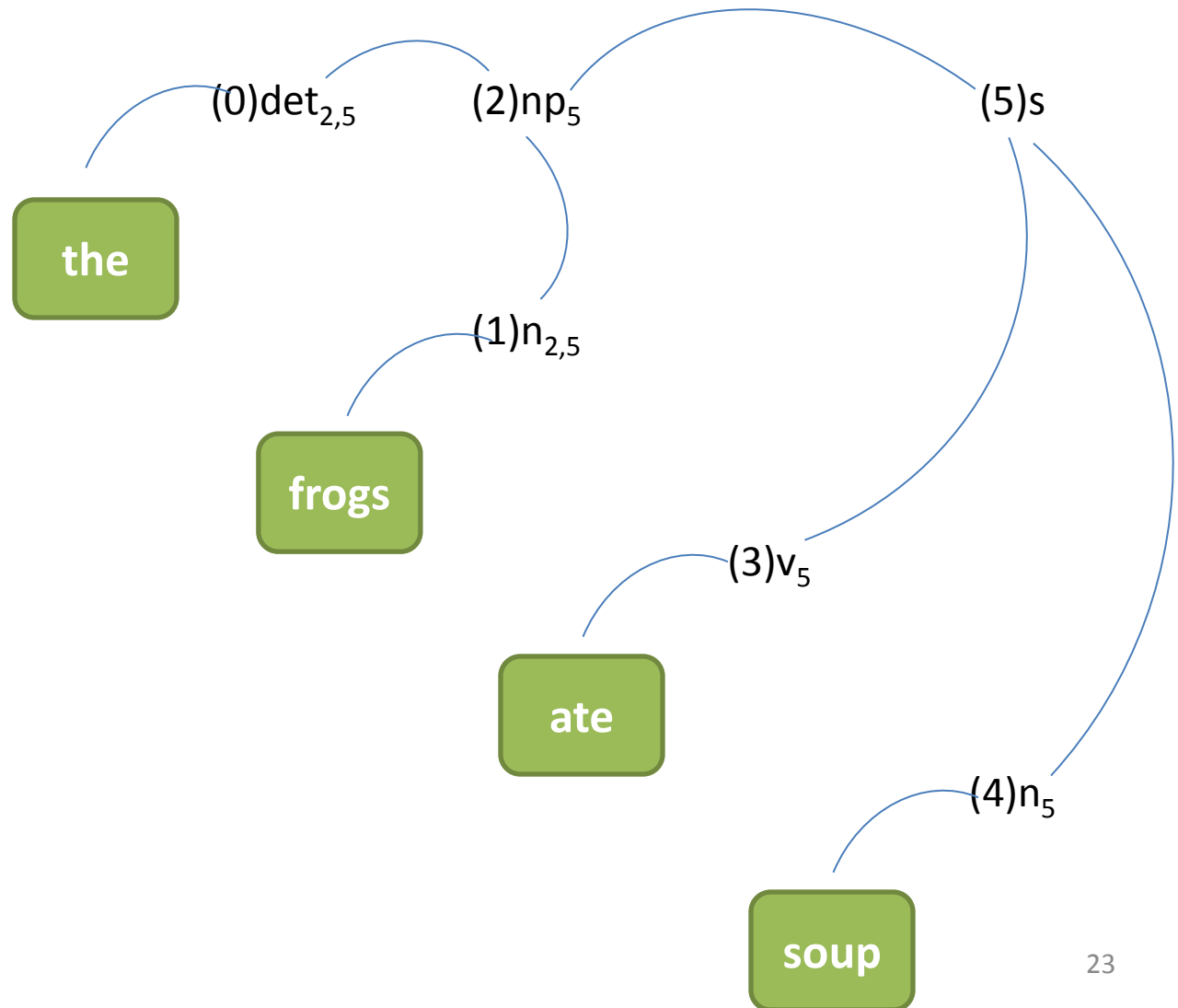
parse-forest construction

CYK-2

binarization:

ancestor

annotation



parse-forest construction

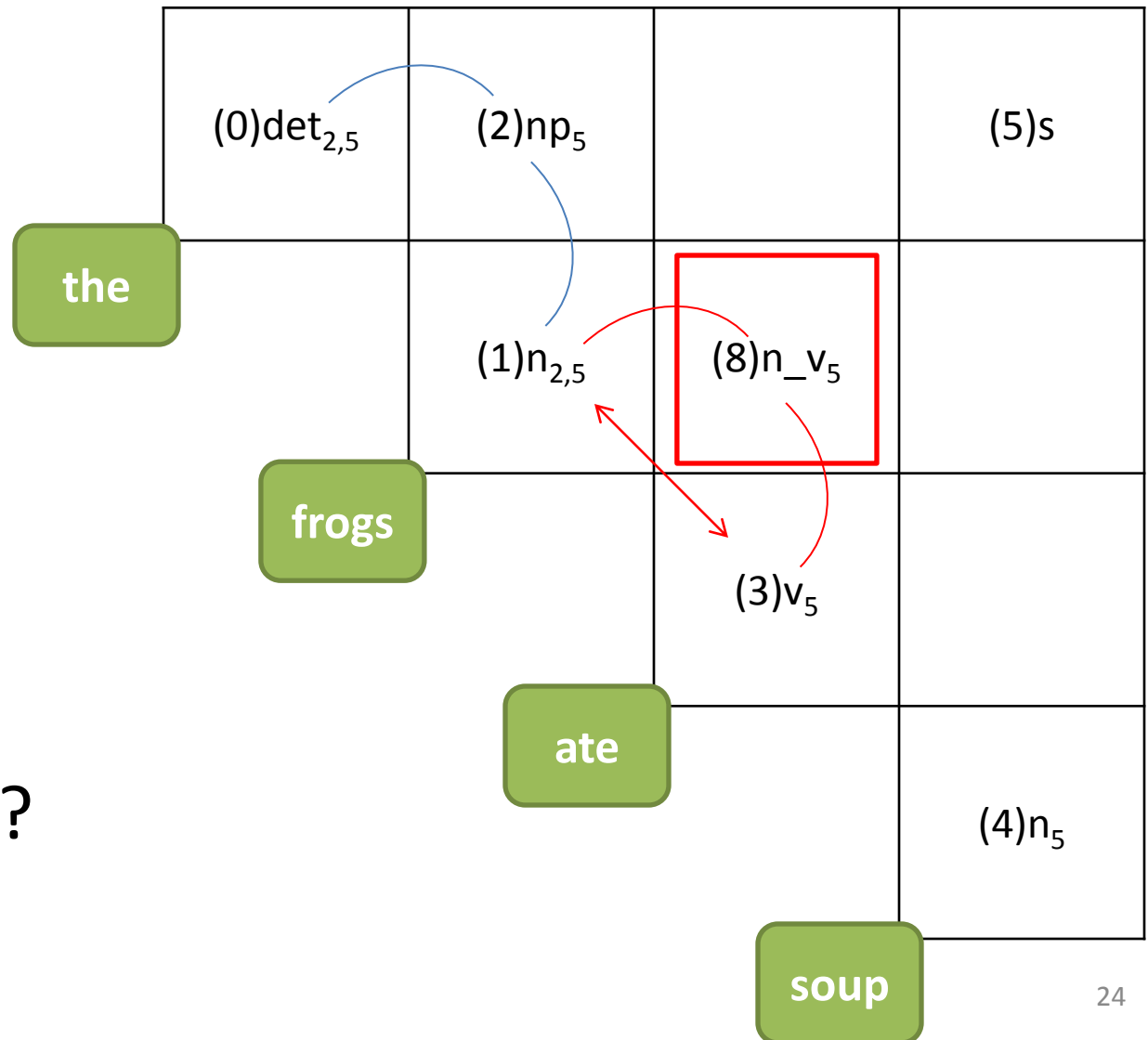
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binarization:

processing
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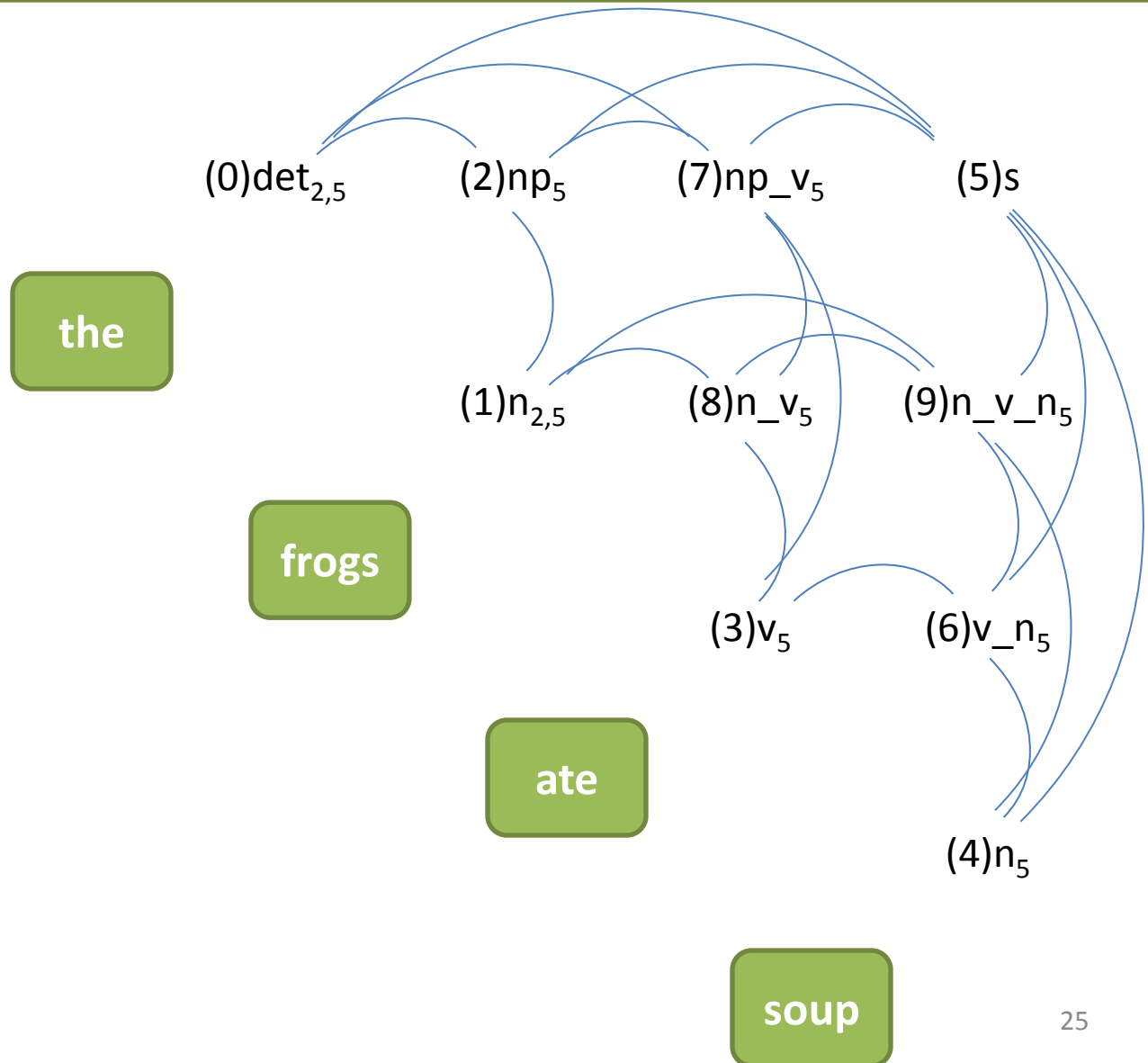


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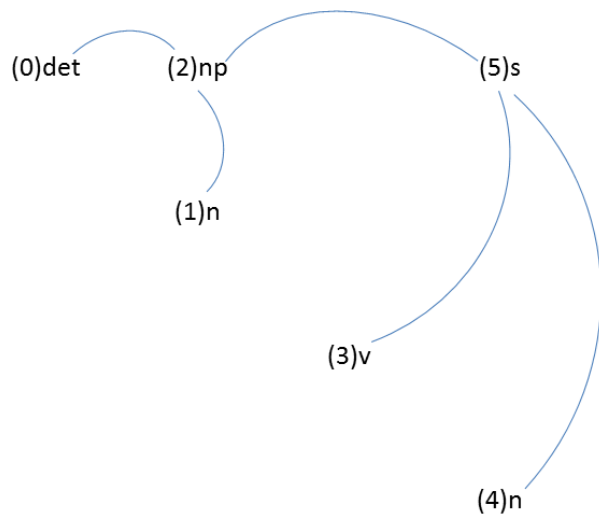
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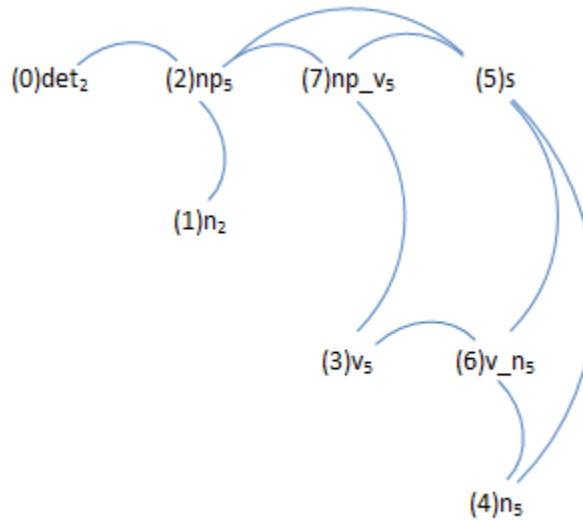
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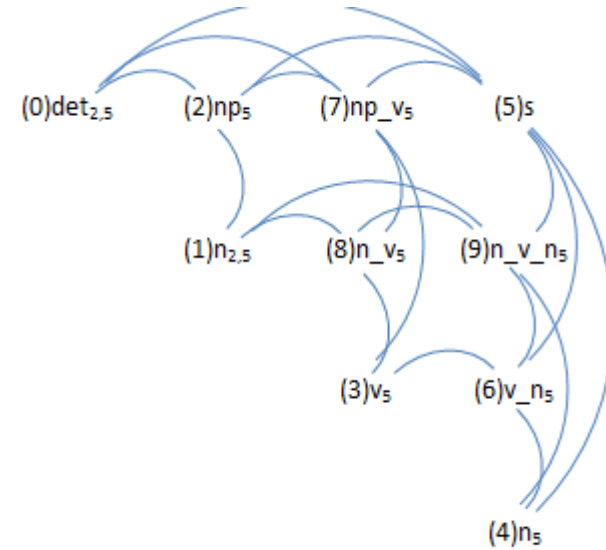
parse-forest construction



best parse



CYK-1 forest



CYK-2 forest

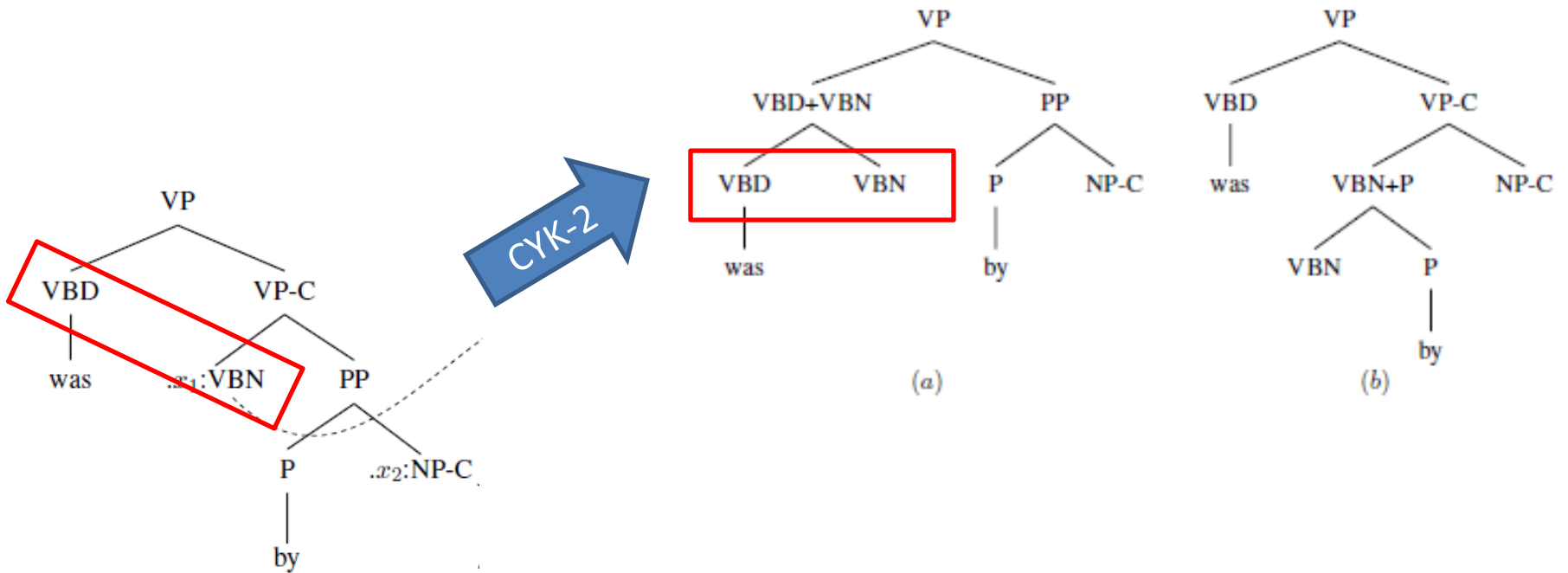
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frogs

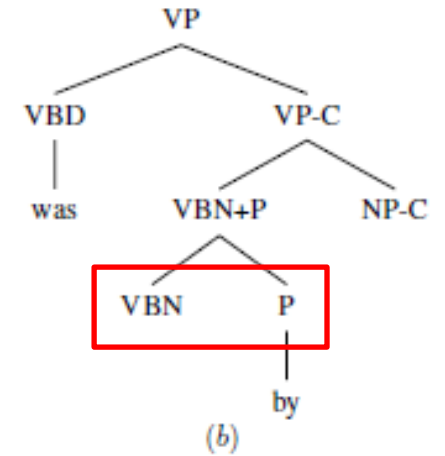
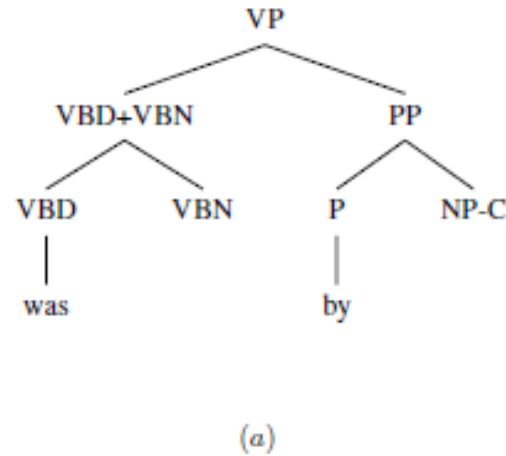
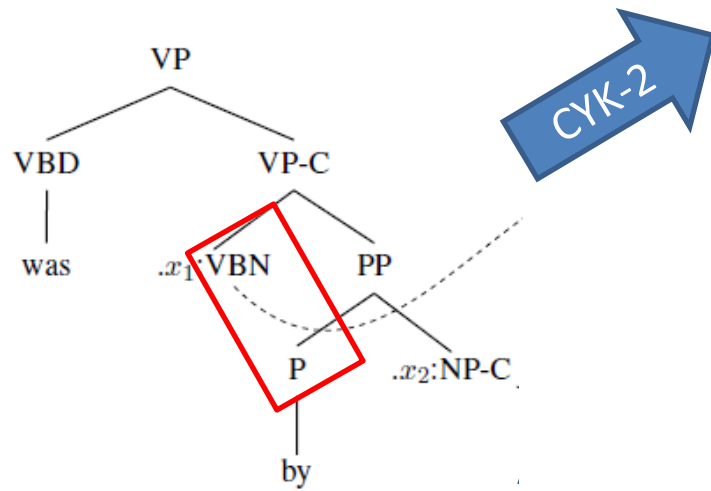
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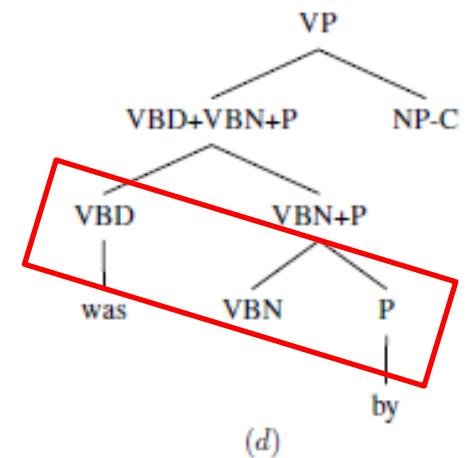
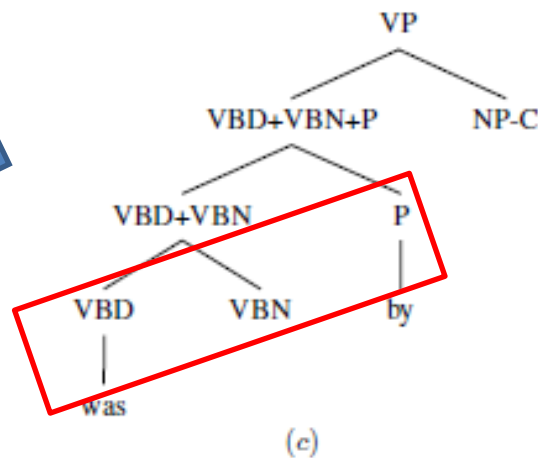
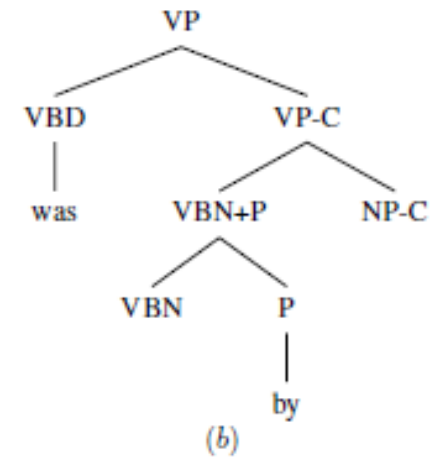
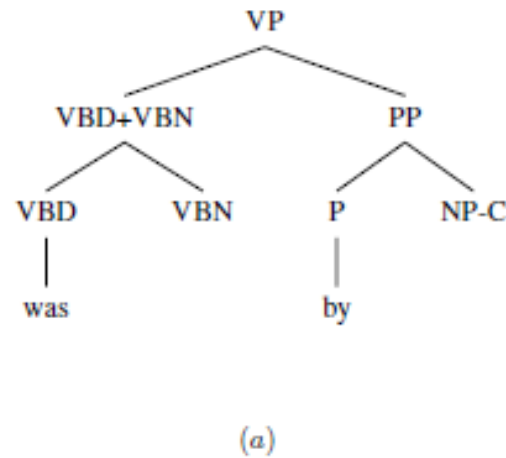
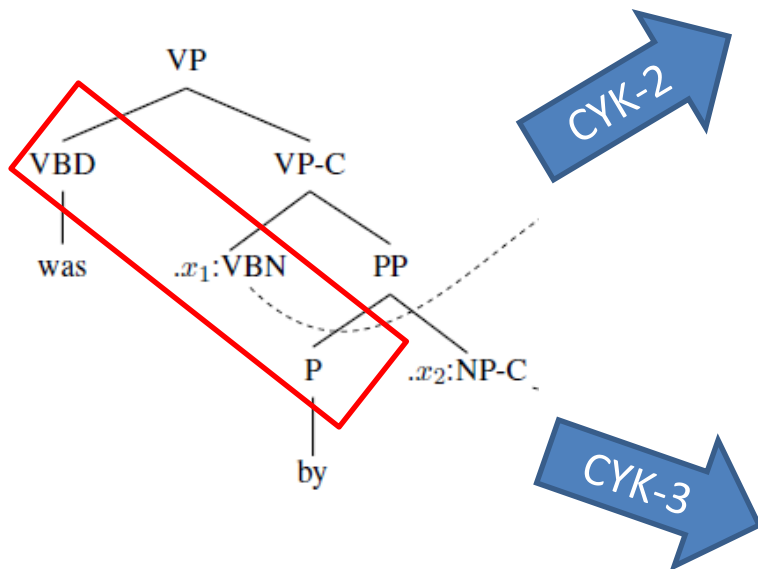
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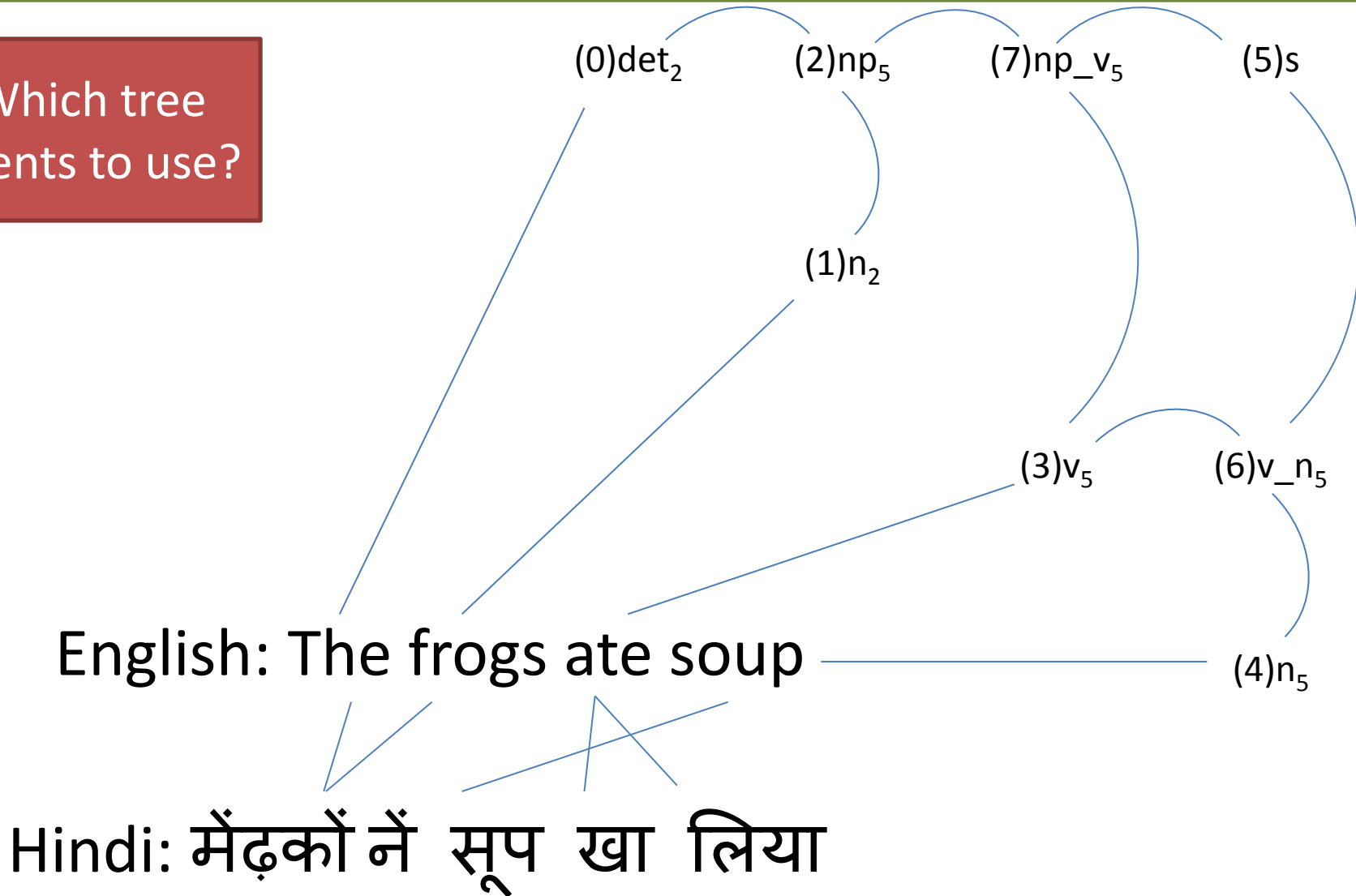
parse-forest construction

rule extraction

rule binarization

rule extraction

i.e. Which tree fragments to use?



synchronous tree substitution grammar

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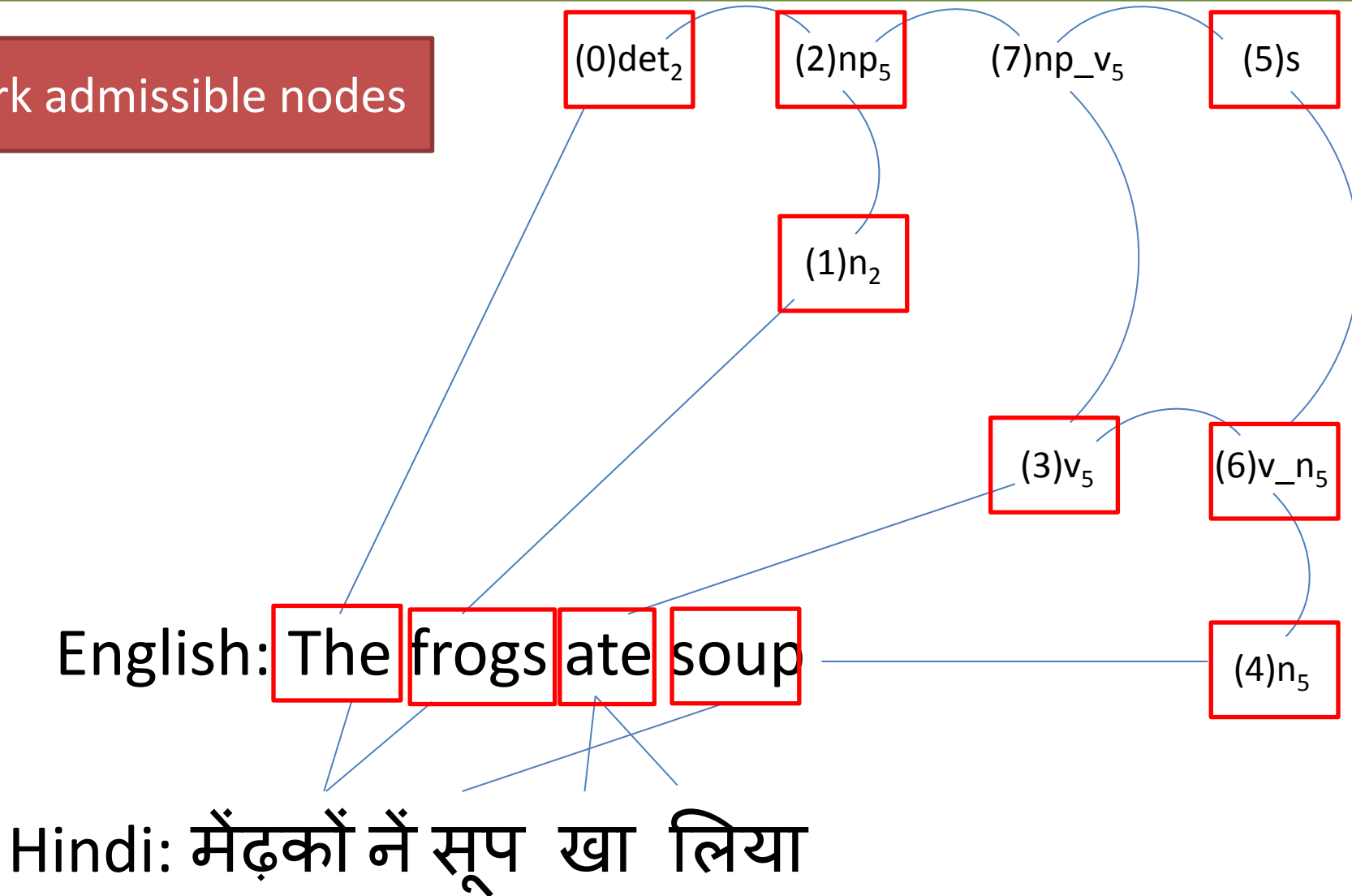
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rule extraction

1. Mark admissible nodes



rule extraction

Seed fragment

Src span

the

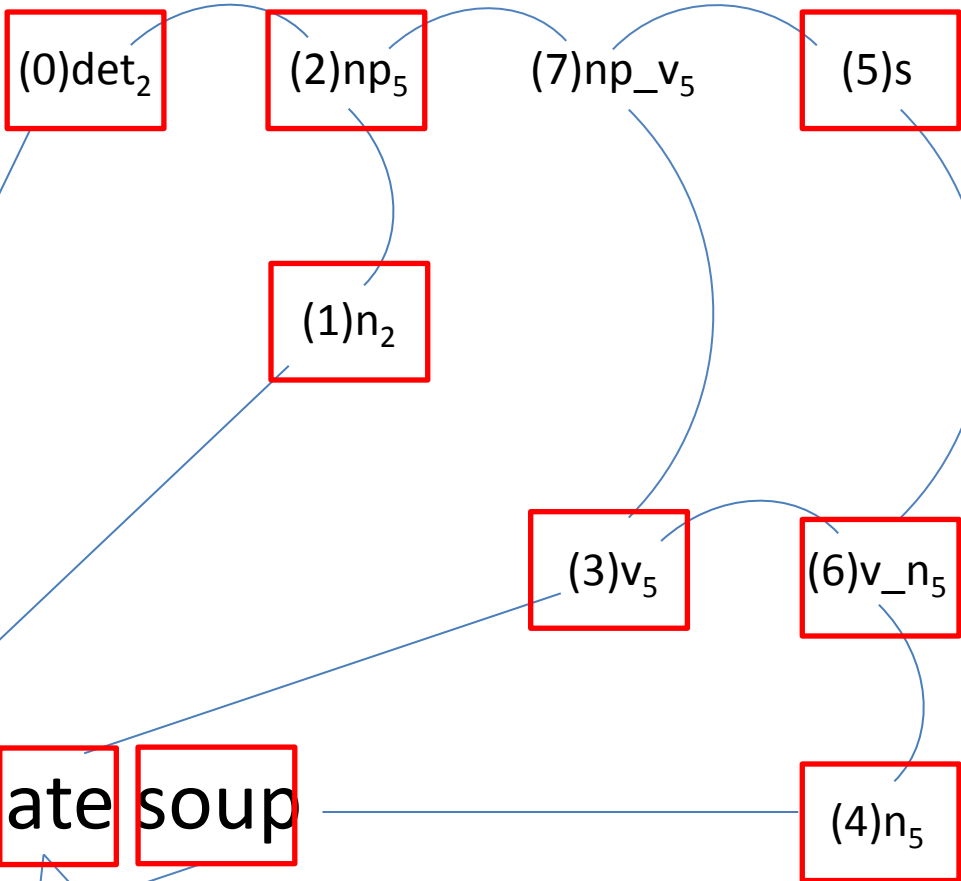
0-0

2. Build tree fragments

English: The frogs ate soup

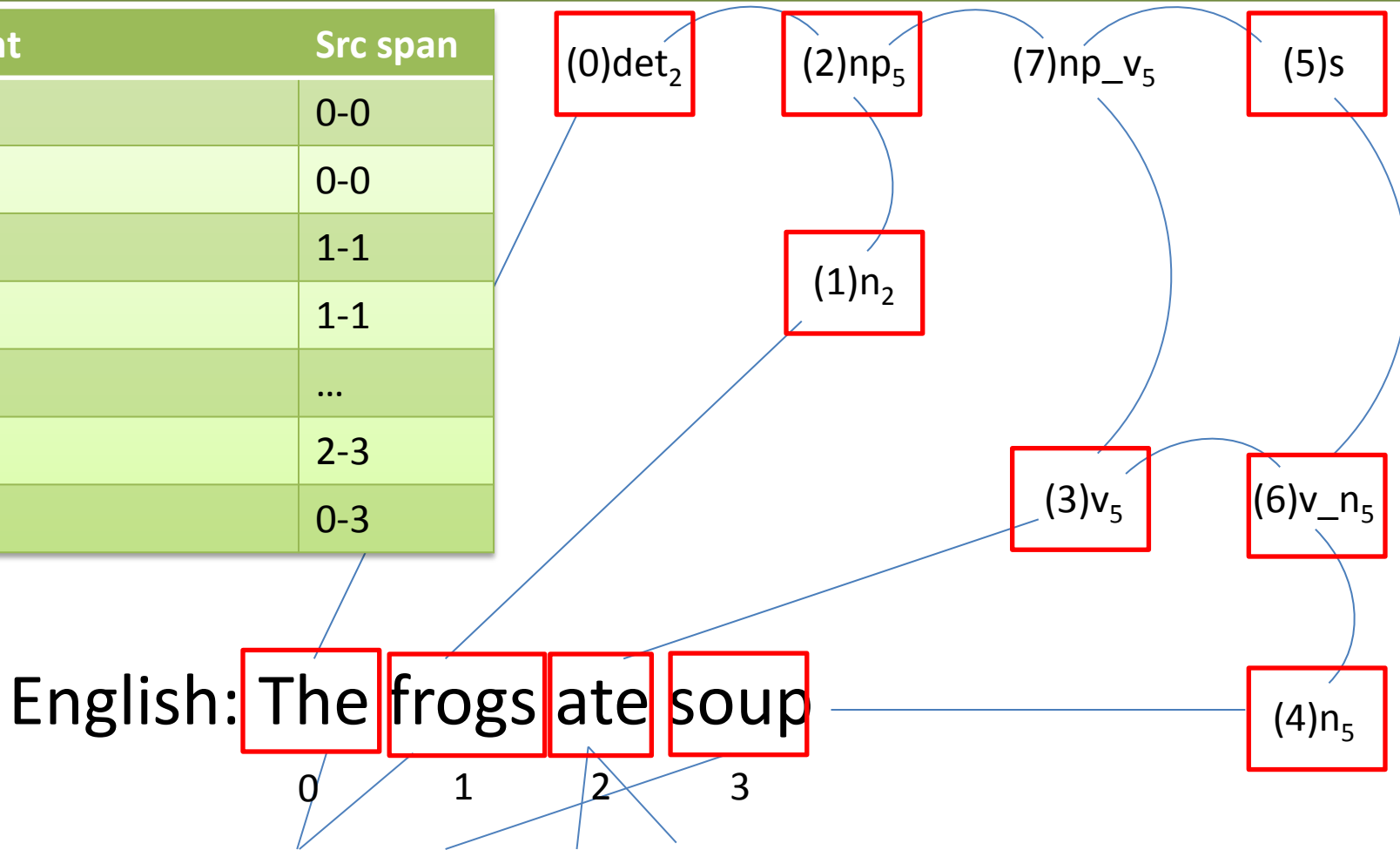
0 1 2 3

Hindi: मेंढकों ने सूप खा लिया



rule extraction

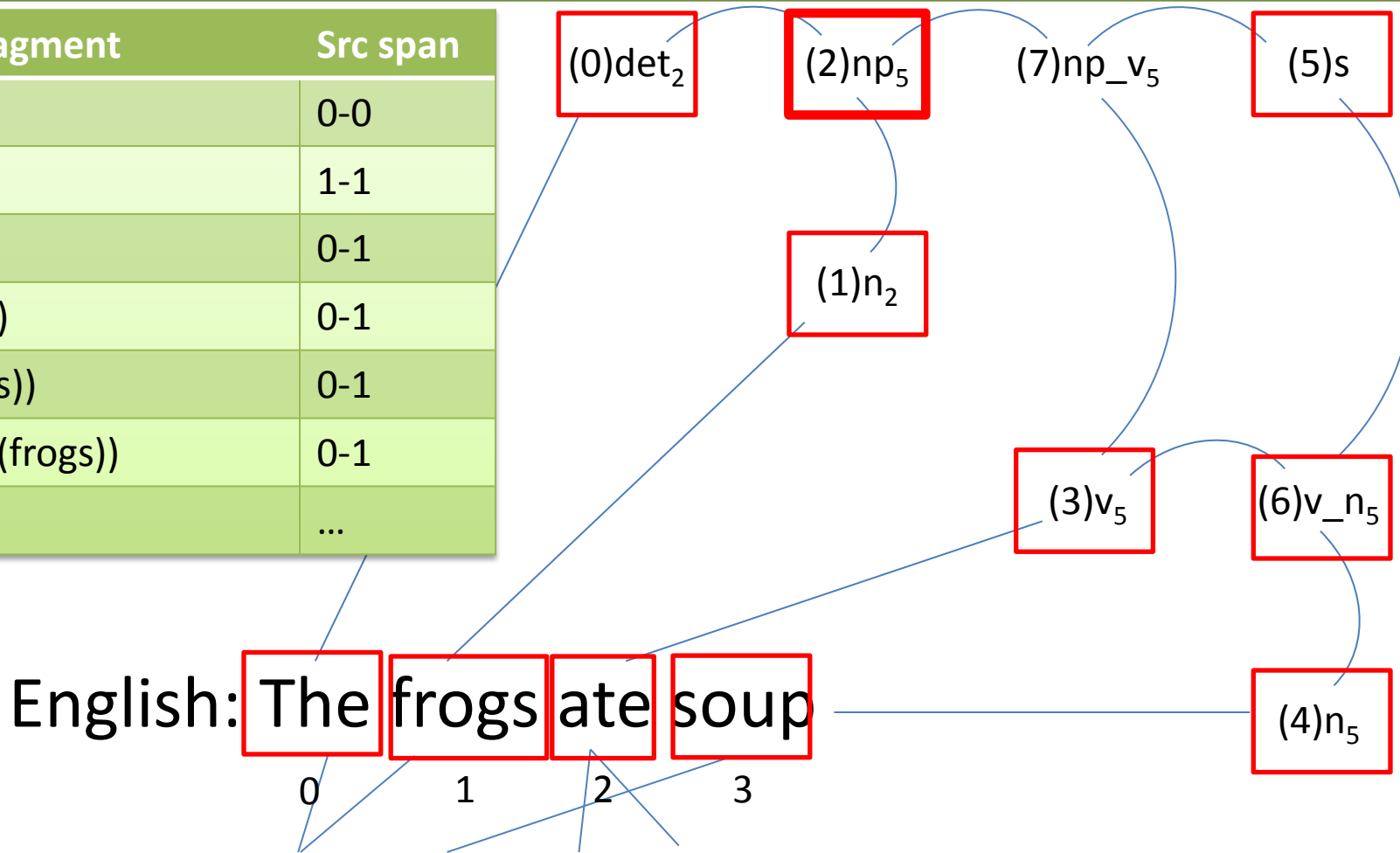
Seed fragment	Src span
The	0-0
det	0-0
frogs	1-1
n	1-1
...	...
v_n	2-3
s	0-3



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rule extraction

Composed fragment	Src span
det(the)	0-0
n(frogs)	1-1
np(det n)	0-1
np(det(the) n)	0-1
np(det n(frogs))	0-1
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...	...



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rule extraction

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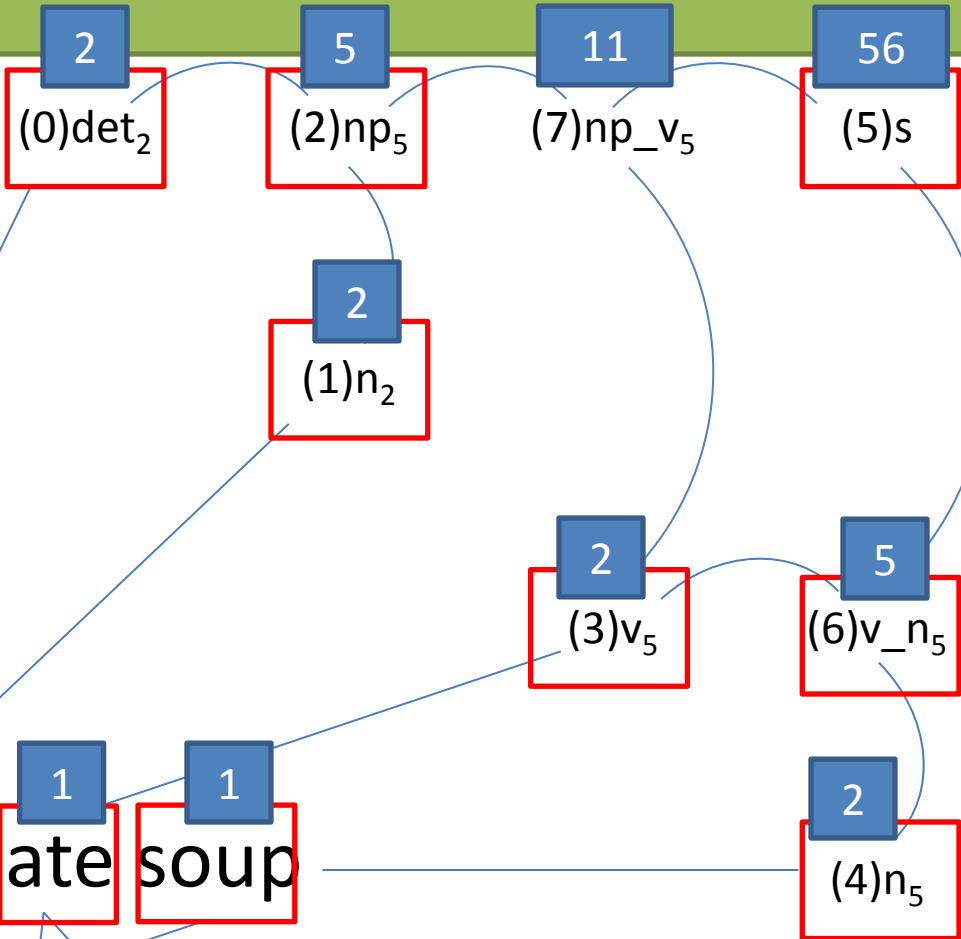
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np(det(the) n(frogs))	0-1
...	...

not too bad

English: The frogs ate soup

0 1 2 3

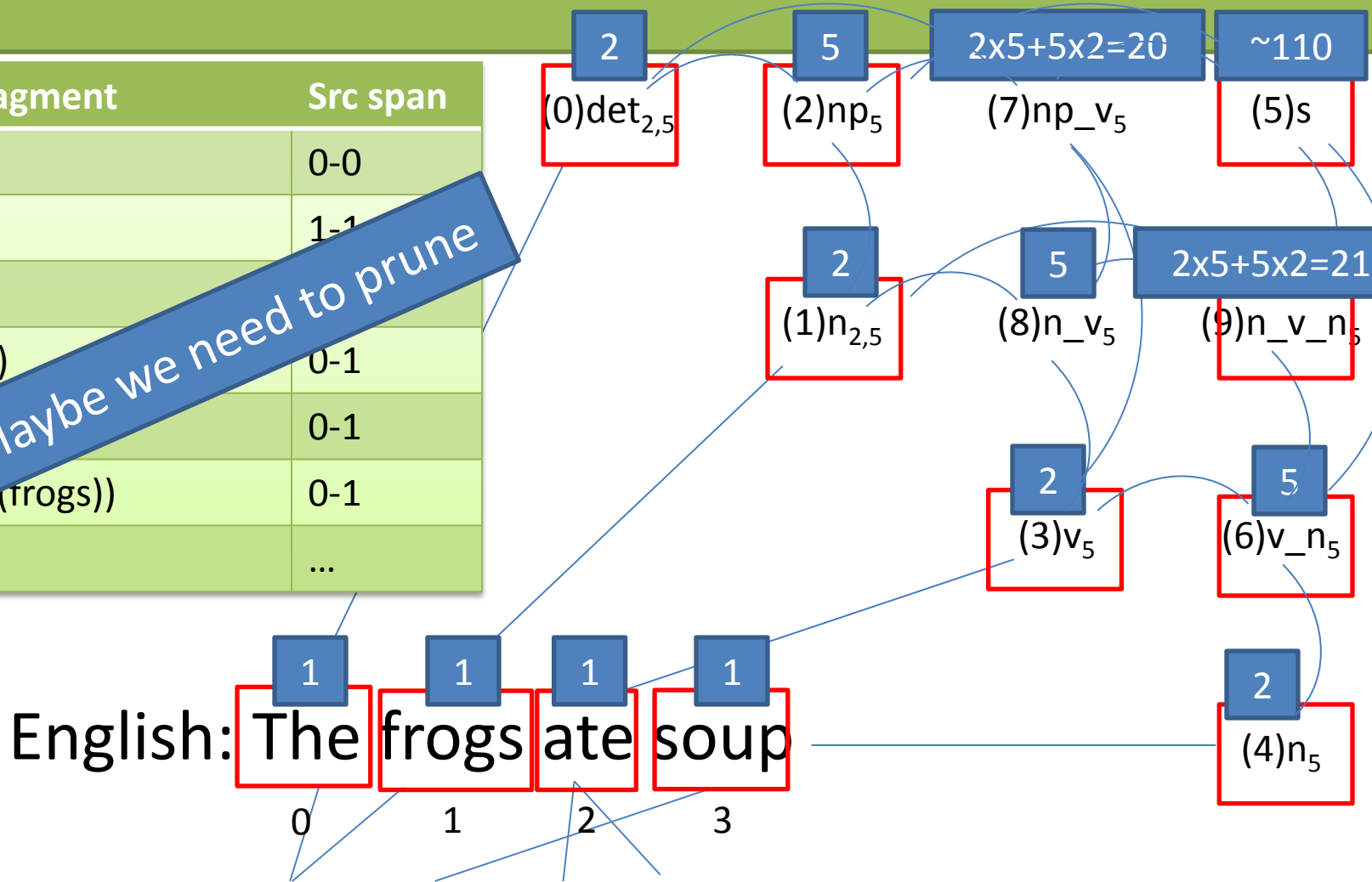
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rule extraction

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det(the)	0-0
n(frogs)	1-1
np(det n)	0-1
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np(det n' (frogs))	0-1
...	...

Hmm... Maybe we need to prune



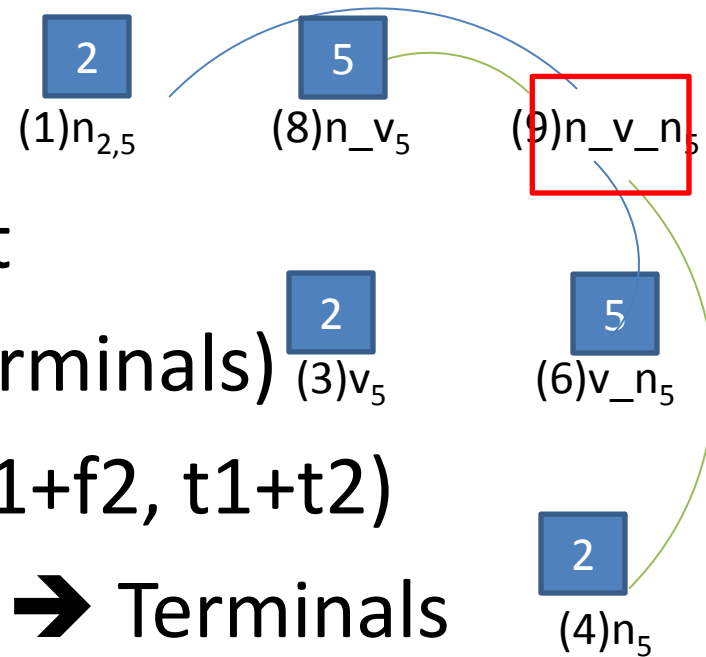
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rule extraction

2. Build tree fragments

- Each node maintains a K-best list
- $\text{Score}(\text{rule}) = (\mathbf{height}, \mathbf{frontiers}, \mathbf{terminals})$
- $\text{Score}(r1+r2) = (\max\{h1+h2\}+1, f1+f2, t1+t2)$
- Importance: Height $\rightarrow$ Frontiers $\rightarrow$ Terminals



rule extraction

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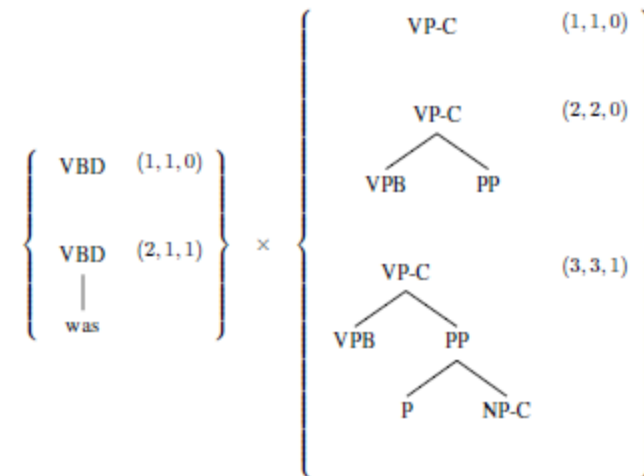
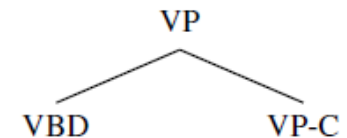
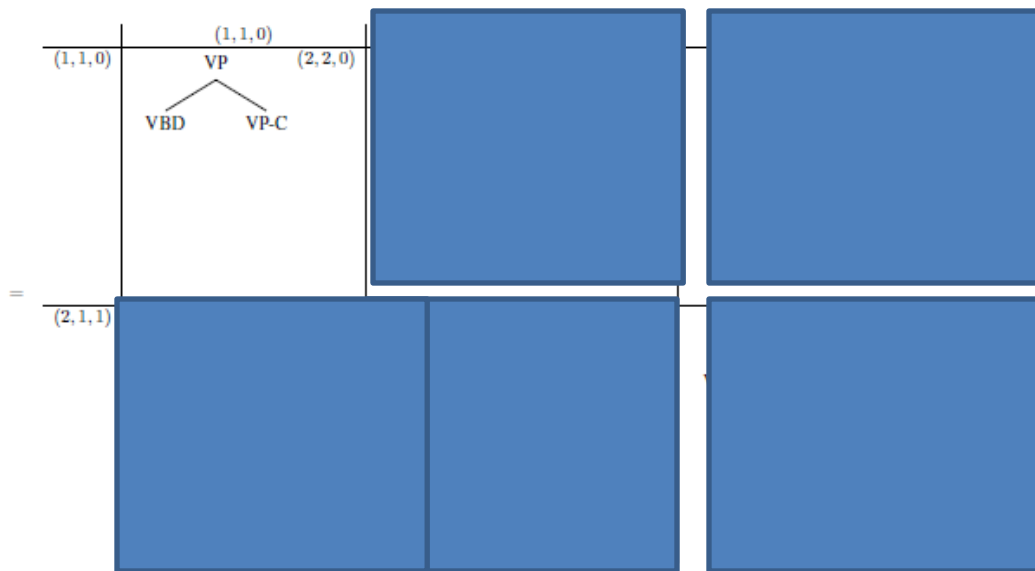
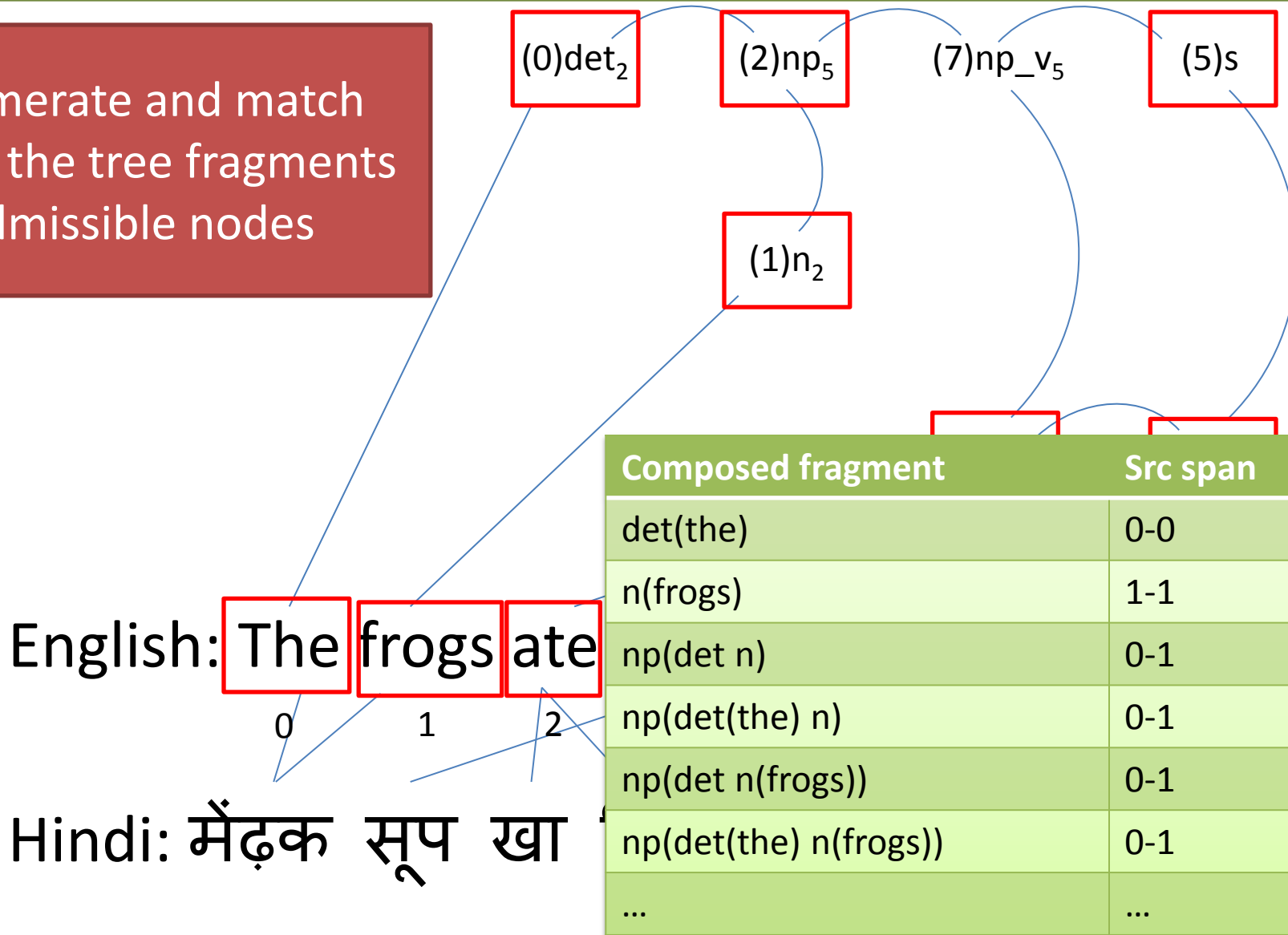


Figure 2: Tree-to-string rule composition as cube-pruning. The left shows two lists of composed rules sorted by their geometric measures (*height*, *# frontiers*, *# frontier terminals*), under the gluing rule of $VP \rightarrow VBD \ VP-C$. The right part shows a cube view of the combination space. We explore the space from the top-left corner to the neighbors.

rule extraction

3. Enumerate and match rules for the tree fragments at admissible nodes



parse-forest construction

rule extraction

rule binarization

rule binarization

- Rules are not necessarily binary
- More sharing
- Cube pruning
- Runtime vs. offline binarization

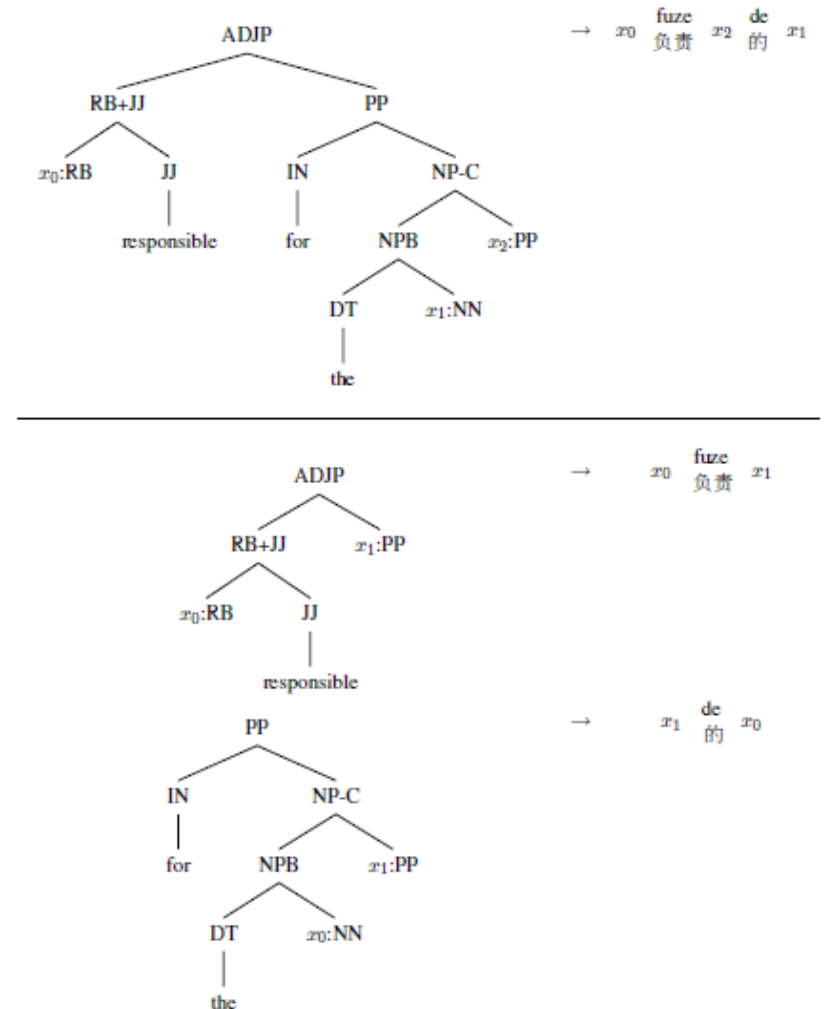


Figure 4: Synchronous binarization for a tree-to-string rule. The top rule can be binarized into two smaller rules.

experiments

- Compare to phrase-based and hiero
- 16 rules per node
- Shift-reduce dep. parser (87.8% labeled, 88.8% u)
- Map dependency trees to constituent trees

experiments

	Source Words	Target Words
English-Chinese	287M	254M
English-Czech	66M	57M
English-French	857M	996M
English-German	45M	43M
English-Spanish	216M	238M

Table 1: The Sizes of Parallel Texts.

	rules	BLEU	
		dev	test
<i>no binarization</i>	378M	28.0	36.3
<i>head-out</i>	408M	30.0	38.2
<i>cyk-1</i>	527M	31.6	40.5
<i>cyk-2</i>	803M	31.9	40.7
<i>cyk-3</i>	1053M	32.0	40.6
<i>cyk-∞</i>	1441M	32.0	40.3

Table 3: Comparing different source tree binarization schemes for English-Chinese translation, showing both BLEU scores and model sizes. The rule counts include normal phrases which are used at the leaf level during decoding.

		BLEU	
		dev	test
English-Chinese	<i>pb</i>	29.7	39.4
	<i>hier</i>	31.7	38.9
	<i>bf2s</i>	31.9	40.7**
English-Czech	<i>wmt best</i>	-	15.4
	<i>pb</i>	14.3	15.5
	<i>hier</i>	14.7	16.0
	<i>bf2s</i>	14.8	16.3*
English-French	<i>wmt best</i>	-	27.6
	<i>pb</i>	24.1	26.1
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Table 2: Translation results comparing *bf2s*, the binarized-forest-to-string system, *pb*, the phrase-based system, and *hier*, the hierarchical phrase-based system.

experiments

- Optimal degree for CYK-n

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experiments

- Binarized forests vs. parse-generated forests

	BLEU	
	dev	test
<i>cyk-2</i>	14.9	16.0
<i>parser</i>	14.7	15.7

Table 4: Binarized forests versus parser-generated forests for forest-to-string English-German translation.

experiments

- Effect of rule binarization

		BLEU	
		dev	test
<i>head-out</i>	cube pruning	29.2	37.0
	+ synch. binarization	30.0	38.2
<i>cyk-2</i>	cube pruning	31.7	40.5
	+ synch. binarization	31.9	40.7

Table 5: The effect of synchronous binarization for tree-to-string and forest-to-string systems, on the English-Chinese task.

discussion

