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## PARSING 2

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### Admin

- Quiz 1 (out of 32)
  - High: 31
  - Average: 26
- Assignment 3 will be out soon
- Watson vs. Humans

### Parsing

- Given a CFG and a sentence, determine the possible parse tree(s)

I eat sushi with tuna

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S -> NP VP
NP -> PRP
NP -> N PP
VP -> V NP
VP -> V NP PP
PP -> IN N
PRP -> I
V -> eat
N -> sushi
N -> tuna
IN -> with
  
```

## Parsing

- Top-down parsing
  - start at the top (usually S) and apply rules
  - matching left-hand sides and replacing with right-hand sides



- Bottom-up parsing
  - start at the bottom (i.e. words) and build the parse tree up from there
  - matching right-hand sides and replacing with left-hand sides



## Dynamic Programming Parsing

- To avoid extensive repeated work you must cache intermediate results, specifically found constituents
- Caching (memoizing) is critical to obtaining a polynomial time parsing (recognition) algorithm for CFGs
- Dynamic programming algorithms based on both top-down and bottom-up search can achieve  $O(n^3)$  recognition time where  $n$  is the length of the input string.

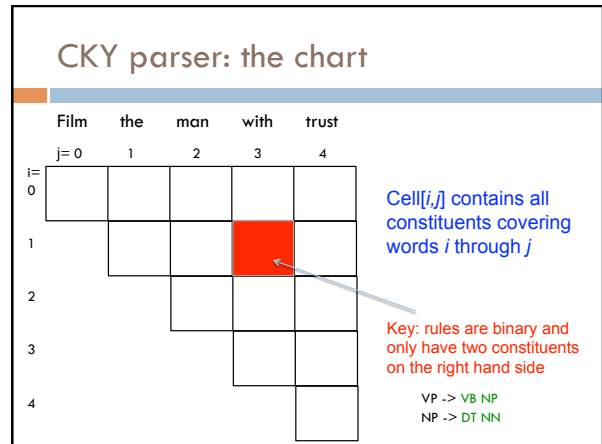
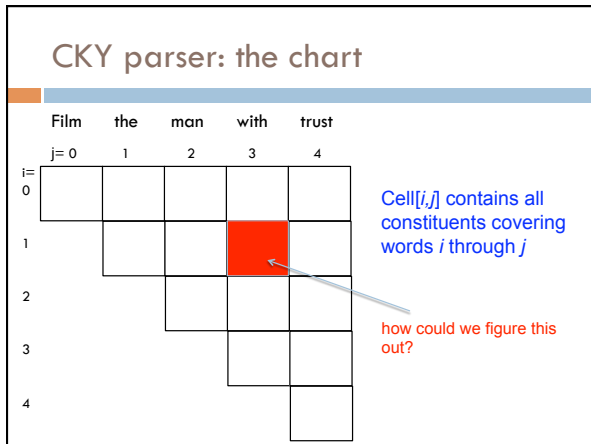
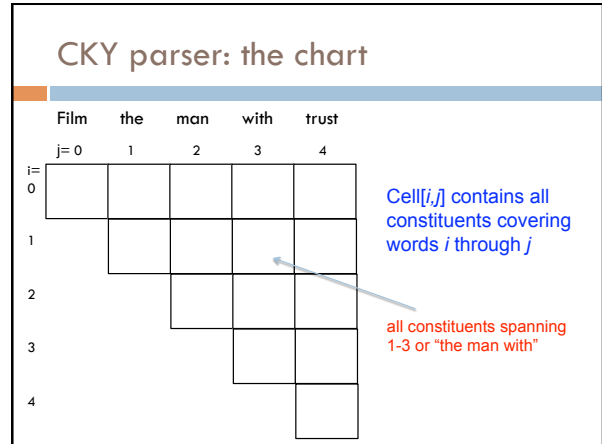
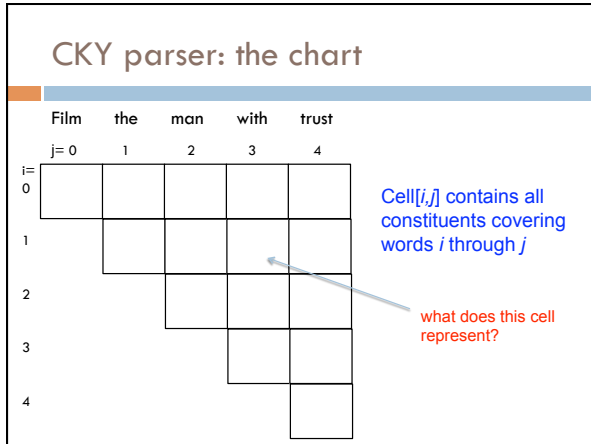
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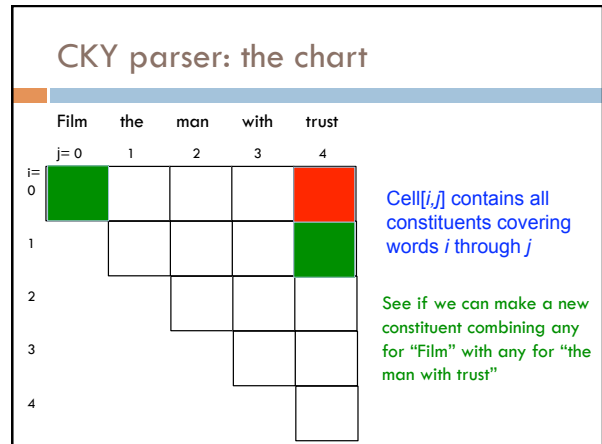
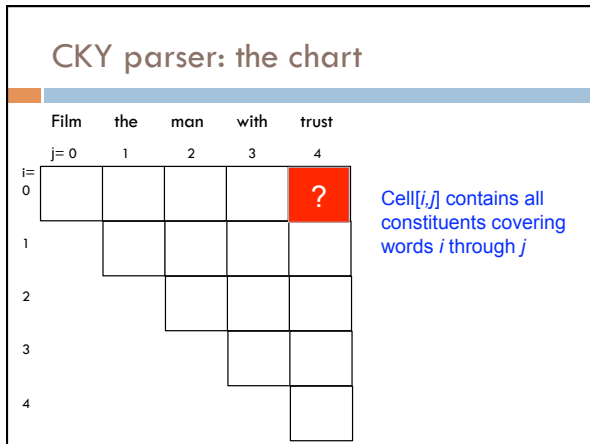
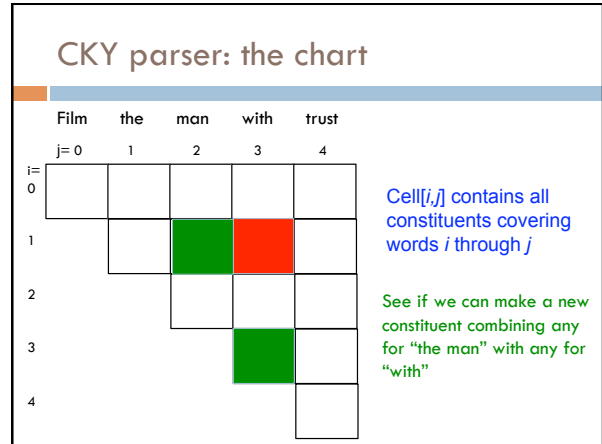
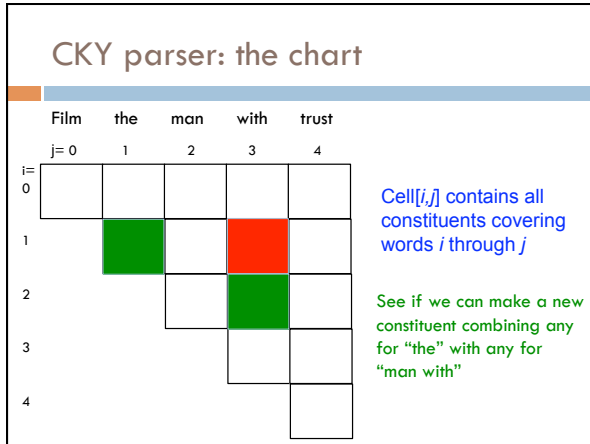
- First grammar must be converted to **Chomsky normal form (CNF)**
  - We'll allow all unary rules, though
- Parse bottom-up storing phrases formed from all substrings in a triangular table (chart)

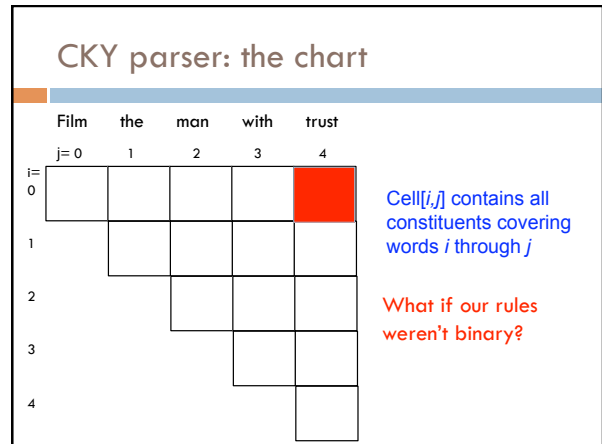
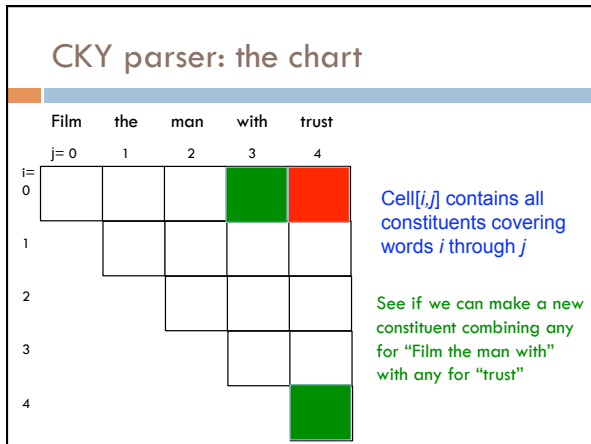
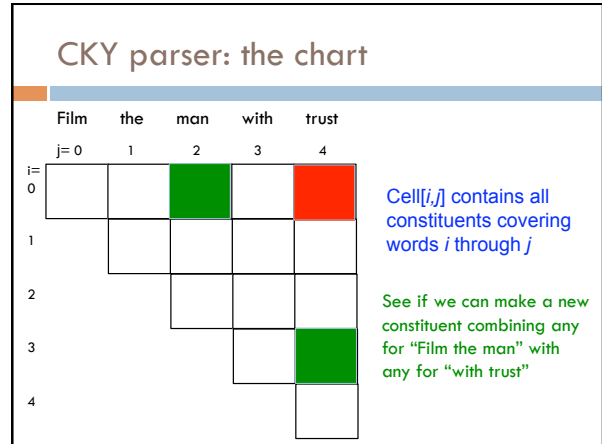
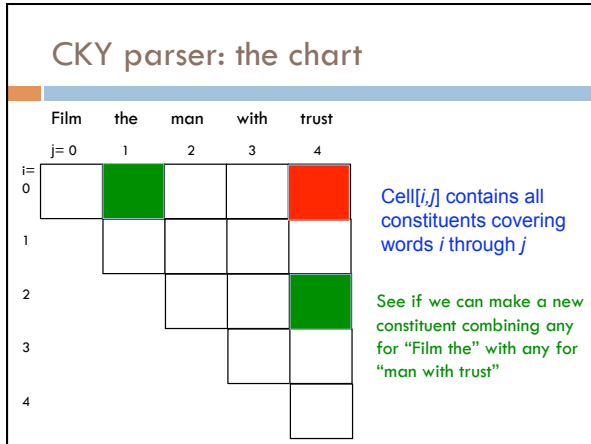
## CNF Grammar

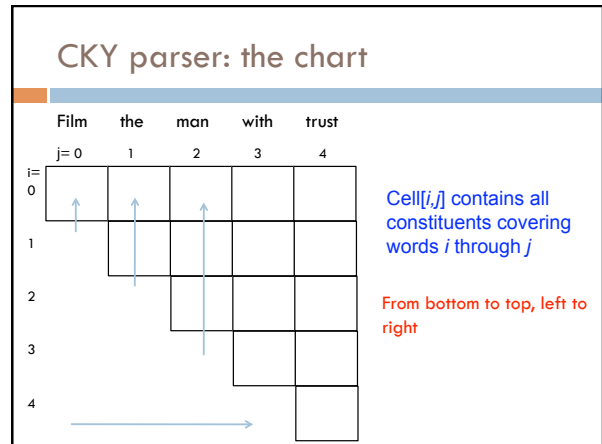
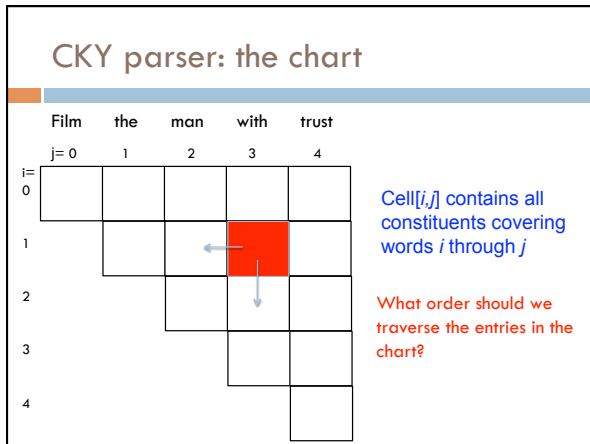
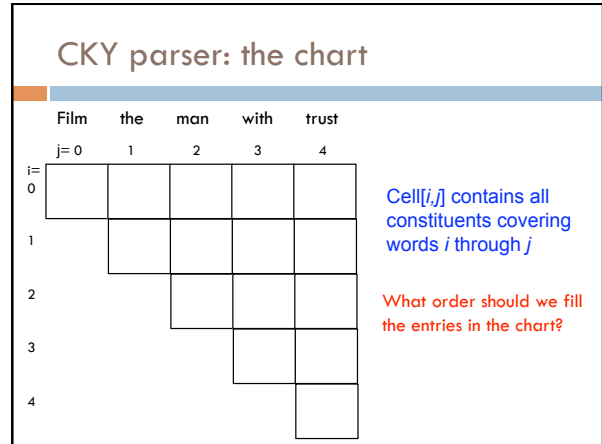
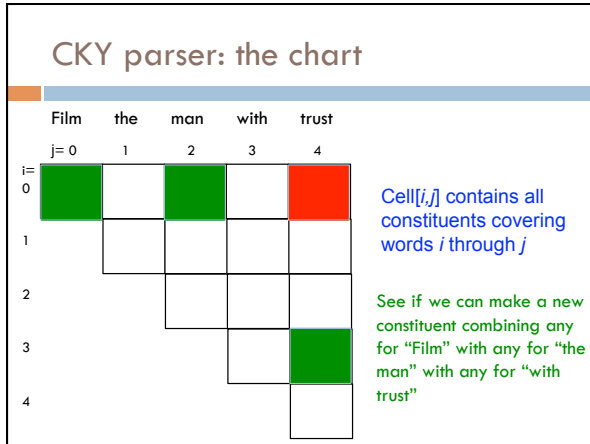
S -> VP  
 VP -> VB NP  
 VP -> VB NP PP  
 NP -> DT NN  
 NP -> NN  
 NP -> NP PP  
 PP -> IN NP  
 DT -> the  
 IN -> with  
 VB -> film  
 VB -> trust  
 NN -> man  
 NN -> film  
 NN -> trust

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### CKY parser: the chart

	Film	the	man	with	trust
j=	0	1	2	3	4
i=0					
1					
2					
3					
4					

Cell  $[i,j]$  contains all constituents covering words  $i$  through  $j$

Top-left along the diagonals moving to the right

### CKY parser: unary rules

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NP -> NN
NP -> NP PP
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```

- Often, we will leave unary rules rather than converting to CNF
- Do these complicate the algorithm?
  - Must check whenever we add a constituent to see if any unary rules apply

### CKY parser: the chart

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### CKY parser: the chart

	Film	the	man	with	trust
j=	0	1	2	3	4
i=0	NN NP VB				
1		DT			
2			VB NN NP		
3				IN	
4					VB NN NP

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### CKY parser: the chart

		Film    the    man    with    trust				
		j=0	1	2	3	4
i=	0	NN NP VB	—			
1		DT	NP			
2			VB NN NP	—		
3				IN	PP	
4					VB NN NP	

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 IN -> with  
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 VB -> trust  
 NN -> man  
 NN -> film  
 NN -> trust

### CKY parser: the chart

		Film    the    man    with    trust				
		j=0	1	2	3	4
i=	0	NN NP VB	—	VP2 VP S		
1		DT	NP	—		
2			VB NN NP	—	NP	
3				IN	PP	
4					VB NN NP	

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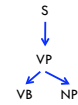
### CKY: some things to talk about

- After we fill in the chart, how do we know if there is a parse?
  - If there is an **S** in the upper right corner
- What if we want an actual tree/parse?

	j=0	1	2	3	4
i=0	NN VB	—	VB2 VP S	—	S VP
1		DT	NP	—	NP
2			VB NN NP	—	NP
3				IN	PP
4					VB NN NP

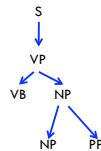
### CKY: retrieving the parse

	Film	the	man	with	trust
	j=0	1	2	3	4
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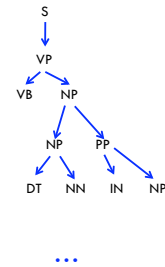
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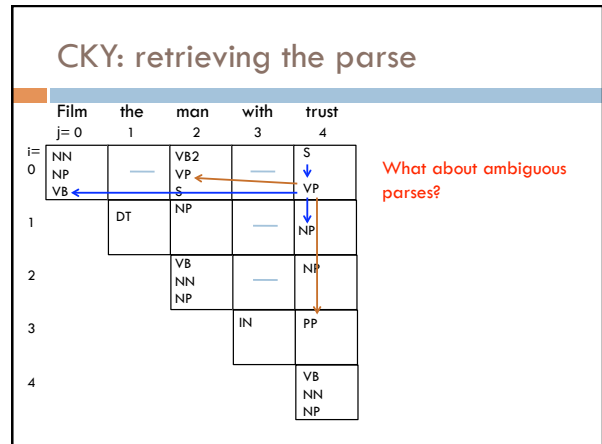
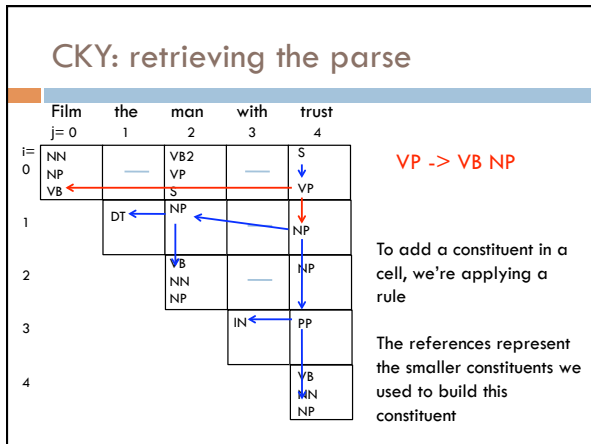
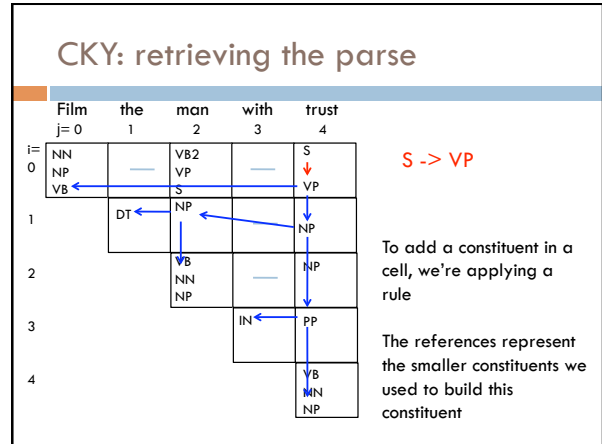
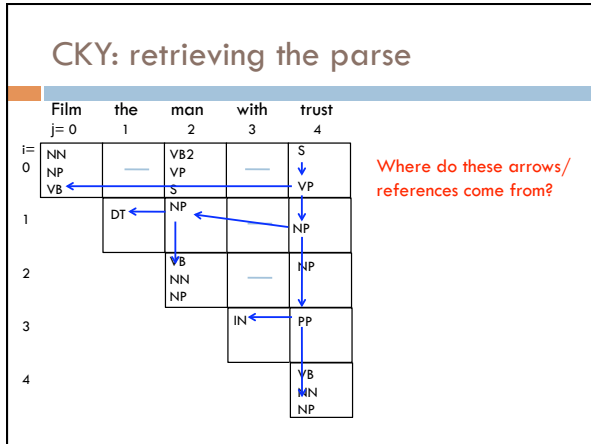
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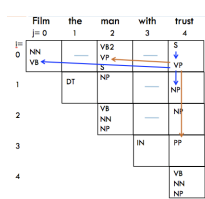
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i=0	NN NP VB	—	VB2 VP S	—	S VP
1		DT	NP	—	NP
2			VB NN NP	—	NP
3				IN	PP
4					VB NN NP





### CKY: retrieving the parse



- We can store multiple derivations of each constituent
- This representation is called a “parse forest”
- It is often convenient to leave it in this form, rather than enumerate all possible parses. *Why?*

### CKY: some things to think about

#### CNF

S -> VP  
 VP -> VB NP  
 VP -> VP2 PP  
 VP2 -> VB NP  
 NP -> DT NN  
 NP -> NN  
 ...

We get a CNF parse tree

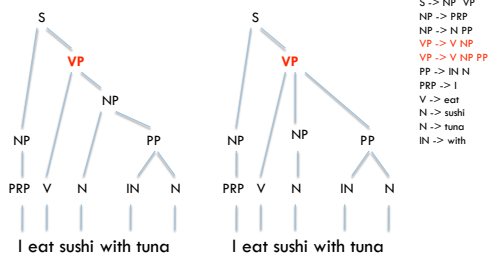
#### Actual grammar

S -> VP  
 VP -> VB NP  
 VP -> VB NP PP  
 NP -> DT NN  
 NP -> NN  
 ...

but want one for the actual grammar

*Ideas?*

### Parsing ambiguity

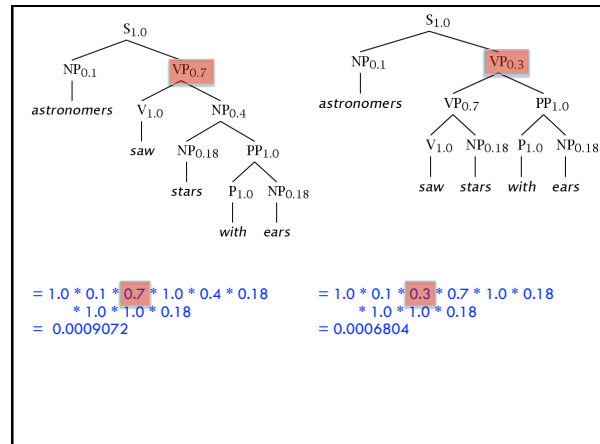
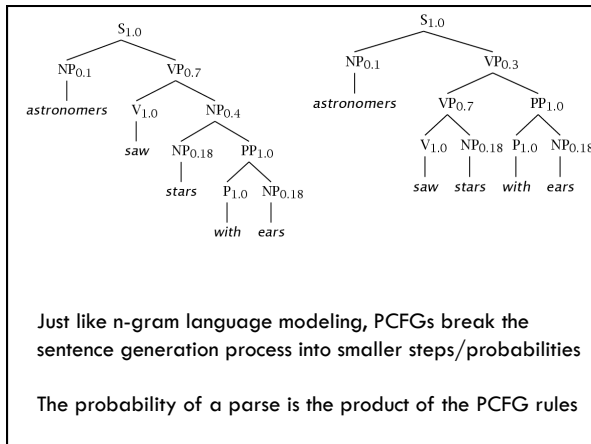


How can we decide between these?

### A Simple PCFG

#### Probabilities!

S	→	NP VP	1.0	NP	→	NP PP	0.4
VP	→	V NP	0.7	NP	→	<i>astronomers</i>	0.1
VP	→	VP PP	0.3	NP	→	<i>ears</i>	0.18
PP	→	P NP	1.0	PP	→	<i>saw</i>	0.04
P	→	<i>with</i>	1.0	NP	→	<i>stars</i>	0.18
V	→	<i>saw</i>	1.0	NP	→	<i>telescope</i>	0.1



## Parsing with PCFGs

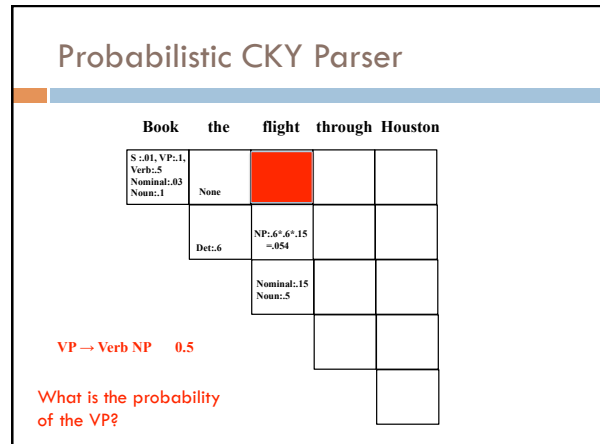
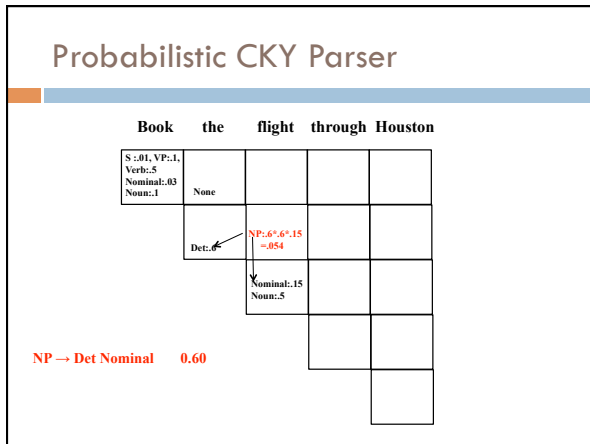
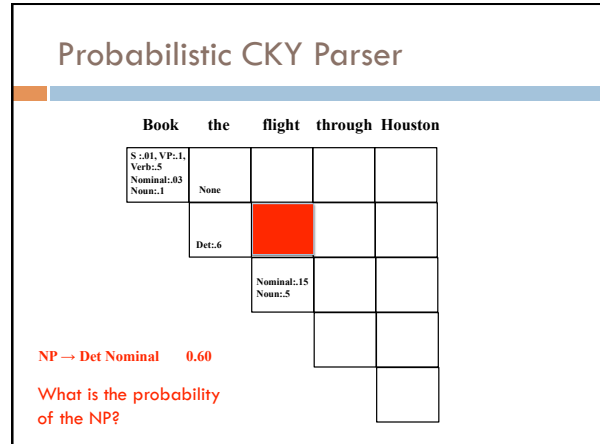
- How does this change our CKY algorithm?
  - ▣ We need to keep track of the probability of a constituent
- How do we calculate the probability of a constituent?
  - ▣ Product of the PCFG rule times the product of the probabilities of the sub-constituents (right hand sides)
  - ▣ Building up the product from the bottom-up
- What if there are multiple ways of deriving a particular constituent?
  - ▣ max: pick the most likely derivation of that constituent

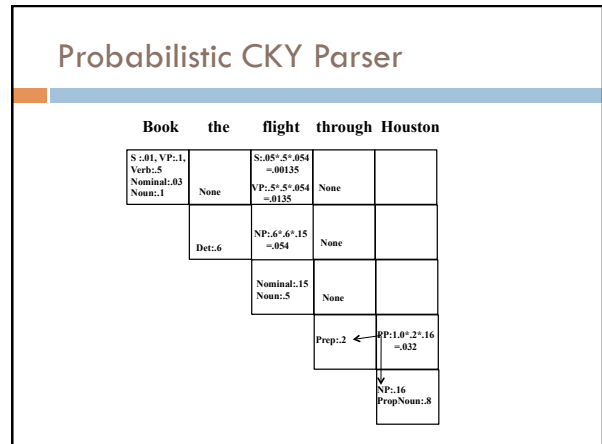
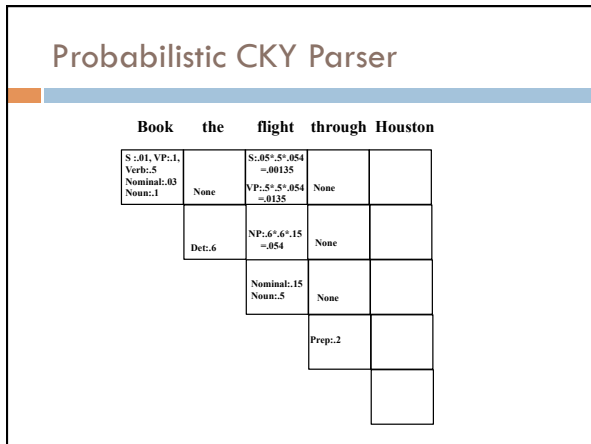
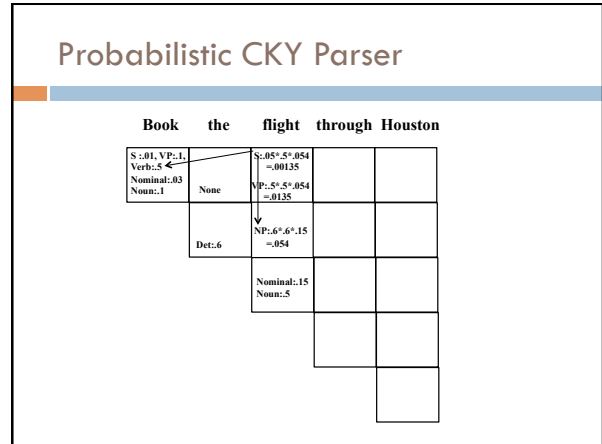
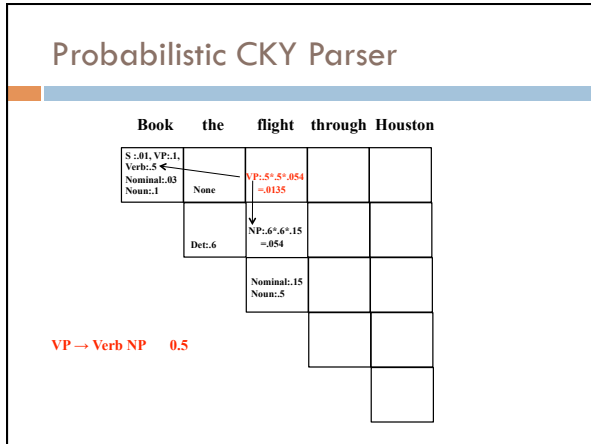
## Probabilistic CKY

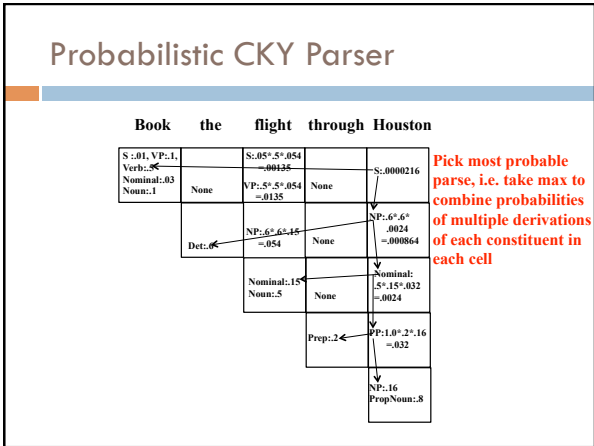
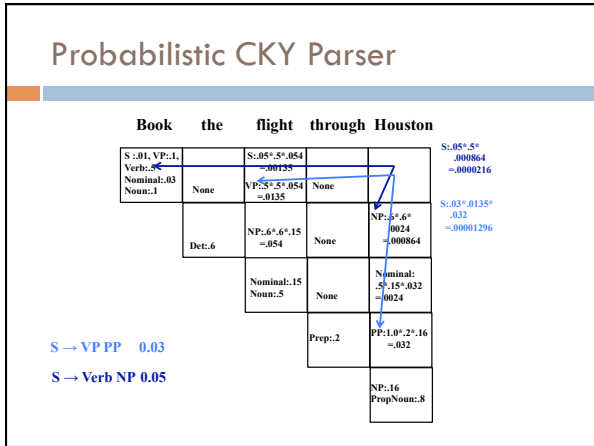
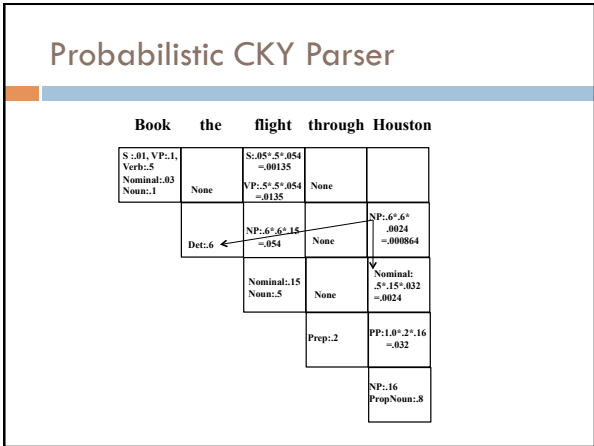
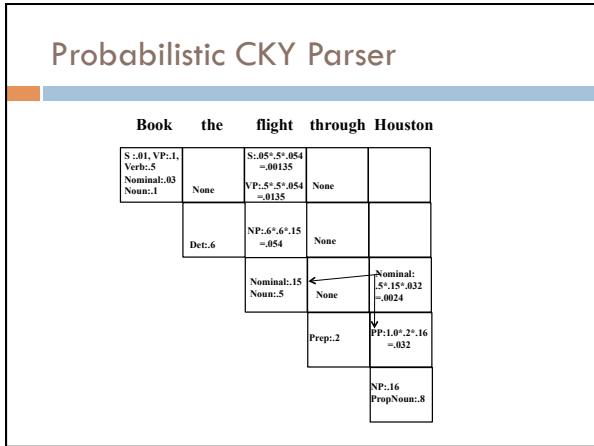
- Include in each cell a probability for each non-terminal
- Cell $[i,j]$  must retain the *most probable* derivation of each constituent (non-terminal) covering words  $i$  through  $j$
- When transforming the grammar to CNF, must set production probabilities to preserve the probability of derivations

### Probabilistic Grammar Conversion

Original Grammar		Chomsky Normal Form	
$S \rightarrow NP VP$	0.8	$S \rightarrow NP VP$	0.8
$S \rightarrow Aux NP VP$	0.1	$S \rightarrow XI VP$	0.1
		$XI \rightarrow Aux NP$	1.0
$S \rightarrow VP$	0.1	$S \rightarrow book   include   prefer$	
		0.01 0.004 0.006	
		$S \rightarrow Verb NP$	0.05
		$S \rightarrow VP PP$	0.03
$NP \rightarrow Pronoun$	0.2	$NP \rightarrow I   he   she   me$	
		0.1 0.02 0.02 0.06	
$NP \rightarrow Proper-Noun$	0.2	$NP \rightarrow Houston   NWA$	
		0.16 .04	
$NP \rightarrow Det Nominal$	0.6	$NP \rightarrow Det Nominal$	0.6
$Nominal \rightarrow Noun$	0.3	$Nominal \rightarrow book   flight   meal   money$	
		0.03 0.15 0.06 0.06	
$Nominal \rightarrow Nominal Noun$	0.2	$Nominal \rightarrow Nominal Noun$	0.2
$Nominal \rightarrow Nominal PP$	0.5	$Nominal \rightarrow Nominal PP$	0.5
$VP \rightarrow Verb$	0.2	$VP \rightarrow book   include   prefer$	
		0.1 0.04 0.06	
$VP \rightarrow Verb NP$	0.5	$VP \rightarrow Verb NP$	0.5
$VP \rightarrow VP PP$	0.3	$VP \rightarrow VP PP$	0.3
$PP \rightarrow Prep NP$	1.0	$PP \rightarrow Prep NP$	1.0







### PCFG: Training

□ If we have example parsed sentences, how can we learn a set of PCFGs?

Tree Bank

Supervised PCFG Training

S → NP VP	0.9
S → VP	0.1
NP → Det AN	0.5
NP → NP PP	0.3
NP → PropN	0.2
A → ε	0.6
A → Adj A	0.4
PP → Prep NP	1.0
VP → V NP	0.7
VP → VP PP	0.3

English

### Extracting the rules

S → NP VP  
 NP → PRP  
 PRP → I  
 VP → V NP  
 V → eat  
 NP → N PP  
 N → sushi  
 PP → IN N  
 IN → with  
 N → tuna

What CFG rules occur in this tree?

### Estimating PCFG Probabilities

□ We can extract the rules from the trees

□ Then, we can count the probabilities using MLE

$$P(\alpha \rightarrow \beta | \alpha) = \frac{\text{count}(\alpha \rightarrow \beta)}{\sum_{\gamma} \text{count}(\alpha \rightarrow \gamma)} = \frac{\text{count}(\alpha \rightarrow \beta)}{\text{count}(\alpha)}$$

### Estimating PCFG Probabilities

S → NP VP	10
S → V NP	3
S → VP PP	2
NP → N	7
NP → N PP	3
NP → DT N	6

P(S → V NP) = ?



## Estimating PCFG Probabilities

S -> NP VP	10
S -> V NP	3
S -> VP PP	2
NP -> N	7
NP -> N PP	3
NP -> DT N	6

$P(S \rightarrow V NP) = ?$

$$P(S \rightarrow V NP) = P(S \rightarrow V NP | S) = \frac{\text{count}(S \rightarrow V NP)}{\text{count}(S)} = 3/15$$

## Generic PCFG Limitations

- PCFGs do not rely on specific words or concepts, only general structural disambiguation is possible (e.g. prefer to attach PPs to Nominals)
  - Generic PCFGs cannot resolve syntactic ambiguities that require semantics to resolve, e.g. ate with fork vs. meatballs
- Smoothing/dealing with out of vocabulary
- MLE estimates are not always the best