

An Integrated Semantic Framework

Developing & Applying an Integrated Semantic Framework for Natural
Language Understanding

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What I'm working on

- An ISF which analyses English textual data at multiple levels
 - Lexical semantics
 - Structural semantics
 - Event profiling
 - Sentiment
- But all of the analyses are represented in a single **integrated** deep information structure

Why this matters

- Structures and meaning of expressions are deeply analysed in a monostratal linguistic framework (constructions+semantics).
- This enables computers to **understand** language much better than before.
 - And we can study the interactions
- Applications:
 - Information extraction; Machine Translation; Auto summarisation; Question answering

Current status of the project

- Able to analyse 90% of English Wikipedia.
- Model the meaning of 117,659 concepts (155,287 English words)
- Lexical semantics has been integrated into Structural semantics for most words
 - Now working on the long-tail
 - Multi-word expressions
 - Decomposable semantics
 - Unknown/new words and concepts

Example: “Luis loves apples.”

TOP h1
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		ARG0 x6	ARG0 x6	ARG0 e3	ARG0 x9
		RSTR h5	CARG Luis	ARG1 x6	RSTR h11
		BODY h7		ARG2 x9	BODY h12
		}			}

<i>_apple_n_1(11:18)</i>
LBL h13
ARG0 x9

07739125-n * 'fruit with red or yellow or green skin and sweet to tart crisp whitish flesh';

HCONS { h1 =q h2, h5 =q h8, h11 =q h13 }

The End **Thank you**

