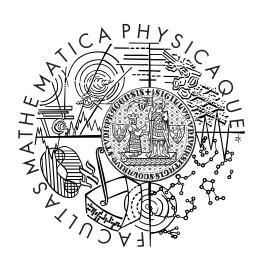
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Petra Barančíková

- PhD student, finishing my 2nd year, advisor Markéta Lopatková
- Thesis topic: Sentence paraphrasing for MT evaluation
- Research interests: paraphrasing, MT evaluation

Eduard Bejček

Projects:

- VALLEX (GAČR)
 - Vallink (linking of valency lexicons), thesis
- PARSEME (COST + MŠMT)
- support with LaTeX

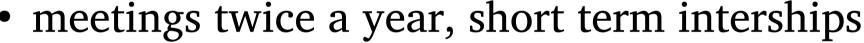
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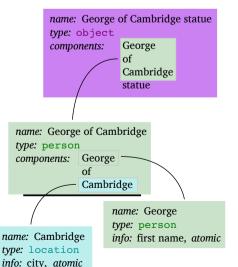
- Valency lexicons
- Multiword expressions

Eduard Bejček

PARSEME

- 30 european countries,29 languages
- 4 year period (2013–2017)





Plans together with Pavel Straňák:

- capture the inner structure of MW named entities
- MWE identification in PCEDT



Ondřej Bojar

- Chiméra (Moses+TectoMT+Depfix) už podruhé pobila Google.
- Studenti: Bushra, Aleš, nově bude Roman Sudarikov
- Studentský projekt TextAn (obhajoba bude v pátek):
 - Na přání Policie ČR, podpora anotace policejních zpráv pro lepší analytiku.
 - Vloží se dokument, ručně opraví strojově označené pojmenované entity, samo to navrhne i zjednoznačnění objektů (K. Novák = Karel N. = ...).
 - Vztahy mezi objekty (K.N. ukradl auto) umí TextAn pouze ručně, Zdeňkův diplomant strojově.
- Výzkum:
 - AMR, wikifikace (přiřazování jednoznačných identifikátorů zmínkám v textu).
 - Překlad vstupu hnusného a hnusnějšího:
 - Lokalizace SW (věty obsahují markup) pro IBM.
 - Twitter Crowd Translation (http://quest.ms.mff.cuni.cz:14780/)
 - Podpora pro ruční překlad tweetů (a hlavně sběr dat).
 - MT z ukrajinštiny a ruštiny, s hashtagy, překlepy.
- Služba vlasti: timesheety, maratónské PBML.

Silvie Cinková

Verb context analysis for lexical disambiguation

- patterns of verb usage, drawing on CPA
- Rule-based collocate extraction system GRASS
- Error analysis
 - Martin Holub, Ema Krejčová, Vincent Kríž

Czech TR -> AMR

- Rule-based, using TreeSurgeon
 - Ondřej Bojar, Ondřej Dušek, Roman Sudarikov, Zdeňka Urešová

SEMEVAL 2015- A CPA dictionary-entry-building task

- manual annotation of evaluation data
 - Vit Baisa, Jane Bradbury, Ismail El Maarouf, Patrick Hanks, Adam Kilgarriff

Ondřej Dušek



Personal

- 2nd year Ph.D. student
- Supervisor: Filip Jurčíček
- Thesis: Natural language generation in dialogue systems
- Master's at ÚFAL (2010) & Faculty of Arts (in German, 2013)

Grants (1)

VYSTADIAL (spoken dialogue systems, **Alex** framework)

- Transport + weather information rule-based SLU, DM, NLG
- Call 800-899-998 and test it!

QTLeap (deep translation)

- Improving TectoMT
- · Dutch analysis, English generation

Ondřej Dušek



Grants (2)

Khresmoi (medical translation, till August)

- MTMonkey distributed translation web service
- Preparing data sets

GAUK (my thesis – natural language generation)

Generating t-trees from dialogue acts

Other recent works

- Flect morphological form generation
- Converting t-trees to AMR (JHU Workshop)
- Automatic valency frame assignment
- Slovak t-layer analysis (for MWE detection)
- Valency lexicon comparison (Czech & German, Faculty of Arts)

Petra Galuščáková

- Information retrieval in audio-visual archives
 - Retrieval of the precise beginning and end of the relevant segment of the recording
 - Useful for long recordings
 - Browsing through the collection using hyperlinks between segments

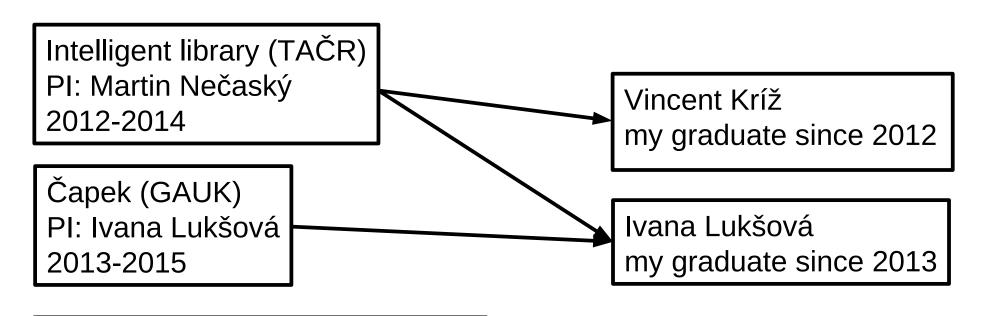


- Search: Locate a passage of the recording relevant to a given textual query in a large archive of audiovisual recordings
- Hyperlinking: Find more passages similar to a selected one
- 2000 hours of BBC broadcast
- Information Retrieval using subtitles and transcripts
- Visual Similarity in cooperation with KSI SIRET Group
- Audio Similarity using provided prosodic features

Malach

- Interviews with the survivors and other witnesses of the Holocaust
- 600 hours of Czech recordings
- 5436 manually annotated segments
 - Each segment has manually assigned topic
- ASR Transcripts by ZČU
- Expected to be released during the autumn

Barbora Hladká



Koreference, diskurs a aktuální členění v kontrastivním pohledu (GAČR)

PI: Šárka Zikánová 2012-2015

Experience to share

Certified methodology

- INTLIB
- Ministry of the Environment of the Czech Republic
- May 1, 2014 initial negotiation
- still in progress

Submission to Language and Linguistics Compass

- on-line journal indexed by Scopus
- a paper with Martin Holub
- submission: Nov 18, 2013; review #1: Jan 12, 2014; review #2: Jul 1, 2014; revision by Jul 30, 2014
- still in progress

Experience to share

- Making a contract with Datlowe, s.r.o. coordination
 - tokenization-ma-tagging-parsing-ner + models + PDT3.0 + CNEC2.0
 - Feb 24, 2014: a very first version of the contract
 - · May 7, 2014: a final package from UFAL to Datlowe
 - Still in progress I can see the light at the end of the tunnel, ufff.

Martin Holub @ UFAL

background

~ computer science

working at UFAL

- ~ 2001–2005, 2009–now
- researcher & teacher
- current research interests
 - machine learning & its applications in NLP
 - models for automatic text classification
 - lexical semantics ~ computational aspects
 - automatic procedures for lexical disambiguation
 - distributional models of lexical semantics

Teaching

- Programming for mathematicians
 - ~ basic courses
- NPFL 054: Introduction to Machine Learning
 - ~ focus on NLP applications
 - ~ using R
- NPFL 081: Practical Foundations of Probability Theory and Statistics
 - ~ practical, supportive course
 - ~ including practical introduction to R

Current research projects

- Lexical Disambiguation of English Verbs
 - Supervised models for verb context classification
 - Analysis of morpho-syntactic and semantic features
 - Heuristic algorithms for feature selection
 - Automatic verb arguments extraction
 - Selectional preferences
- Native Language Identification
 - Supervised models for text classification
 - Typical collocations and mistakes of non-native speakers

Pavlína Jínová

- since 2009 member of discourse group led by prof. Hajičová and dr. Zikánová
- annotation of discourse relations, genres, multiword discourse markers (AltLexes)
- interest: grammatical properties of discourse connectives, relationship syntax discourse structure
- besides: since 2011 half-time teacher of Czech grammar at Faculty of arts,
 Charles University in Prague
- topic of Ph.D. thesis description of Old Czech common nouns declension for automatic morphological analysis of text

Michal Josífko

- working at ÚFAL since February 2014
- technical staff for LINDAT/CLARIN project
- work in team with Pavel Straňák,
 Loganathan Ramasamy, Ondřej Košarko, Jozef Mišutka
 and Amir Kamran (ordered by geographical distance)
- maintaining and developing the repository
- maintaining the services portal
- technical help for integrating the services
- currently working on local ÚFAL installation and customization of KonText (ÚČNK) corpus manager and making ÚFAL corpora available via it

Filip Jurčíček

- Main activities in the last year
 - Teaching:
 - STATISTICAL DIALOGUE SYSTEMS
 - No one got interested in course
 - BAYESIAN INFERENCE
 - Lectures 2 hours per week
 - 2 students
 - MASTER THESES
 - Ondrej Platek
 - KALDI ASR integration into Alex
 - Placed second in SVOC of JCMF in applied informatics
 - Projects:
 - VYSTADIAL → Research into spoken dialogue systems

VYSTADIAL

- PI: Filip Jurčíček
 - Development of statistical methods for spoken dialogue systems
 - 1.4.2012 31.12.2016
 - Funding for 4 PhD students
- Collaborators:

Ph.D. students: Ondrej Dusek, Lukas Zilka, Matej Korvas

to be Ph.D. students: Ondrej Platek, Mirek Vodolan, Ahmad Agha Ebrahimian

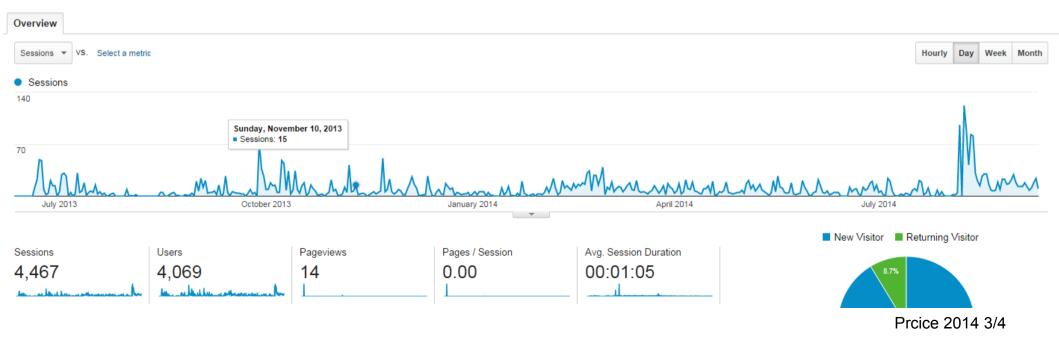
Master students: Odrej Klejch, Martin Vejman, Vendula Michlíková

Published:

- 1x LREC, 2x SigDial, 3xTSD [RIV ;-)]
- 2x speech datasets (English, Czech),
- 2x software (ASR training scripts, "uzita techologie" online ASR decoder)

Main Activities

- Improvement of Public Transport Information system
 - 800 899 998 phone number
 - You can ask about
 - public transport connections in Prague the Czech Republic
 - weather forecast, time
 - So far we, have collected approx. 3000 calls from real-users
 - Deployed a new ASR system



SigDial 2015

Mostly dialogue and discourse conference

- Will be held in Prague and organised by UFAL
 - 2. 5. 9. 2015

Volunteers are welcomed

- Local chairs:
 - Me, Prof. Eva Hajicova

Kettnerová Václava

Grants:

- VALLEX: Delving Deeper: Lexicographic Description of Syntactic and Semantic Properties of Czech Verbs
- LINDAT/Clarin

Research interest:

valency (esp. of verbs), diatheses, alternations, lexical-semantic representation, semantic classification of verbs, light verbs

At present work on:

- Annotation of alternations in VALLEX
- Rules for the description of alternations for the grammar component of VALLEX
- Adoption of rules for diatheses for the grammar component of VALLEX
- Linking VALLEX and PDT-VALLEX, FrameNet (Eda Bejček)

Natalia Klyueva

- PhD thesis: "Linguistic aspects of Machine Translation between Czech and Russian" (supervisor Vladisav Kuboň)
- Collecting tools and data for MT systems
- Error analysis and classification:
 - Internal: Česílko (Petr Homola), TectoMT (Martin Popel a Zdeněk Žabokrtský), Moses (with Karel Bílek)
 - External: PC Translator and Google
- Comparing SMT and RBMT
- Valency discrepancies between Czech and Russian, Czech-Russian valency dictionary

Veronika Kolářová

- Mgr.: FF UK (Czech & Serbian / Croatian; 1998)
- Ph.D.: UFAL MFF UK (Valency of nouns; 2006)
- Work on topics of the post-doctoral GAČR project
 - "Systematic, economical and corpus-based description of valency properties of Czech deverbal nouns (theory and practice)" (P406/12/P190)
 - 2012-2014
 - principal investigator
- Main topics of interest
 - -Valency of Czech deverbal nouns
 - -Support verb constructions
- Current work
 - Preferences in co-occurrence of participants modifying Czech nouns of communication

Veronika Kolářová

Plans for academic year 2014/2015

- Stay in England
 - Warwick (together with my husband and children)
 - Centre for Corpus Research
 - University of Birmingham
 - Study stay / research fellowship
 - We will leave on 3rd October and return in August 2015
 - So, bye for now and have a nice time at UFAL



Jindřich Libovický

- a PhD student, supervised by Pavel Pecina
- working on the CEMI project
 - scene text recognition decoding string, processing the outpus of the recognition
- interested in strucutred prediction, want to learn more about deep learning
- part-timer at IBM Watson
 - dialog state tracking, anaphora and ellipsis resolution in dialogs

Markéta Lopatková - Projects

Research interests / research projects:

- Valency lexicon of Czech verbs VALLEX
 esp. with Václava Kettnerová (past Zdeněk Žabokrtský)
 diatheses and alternations
 enriching the lexicon with semantic information
 GAČR (2012-2015): Delving Deeper: Lexicographic Description
 of Syntactic and Semantic Properties of Czech Verbs
 (1.2 full contract)
- Modeling of stratificational dependency-based syntax
 based on the analysis by reduction and restarting automata
 esp. with Martin Plátek (KTIML Department of Theoretical Computer Science and
 Mathematical Logic)

GAČR: NoSCoM: Non-Standard Computational Models and Their Applications in Complexity, Linguistics, and Learning, 2010-2014 (bonuses)

Delving Deeper: Lexicographic Description of Syntactic and Semantic Properties of Czech Verbs

- changes in valency structure of verbs, their representation in a lexicon
 - theoretical research; design of a formal model for lexicographic description
 - grammaticalized alternations: diatheses and reciprocity
 - lexicalized alternations: theoretical and practical aspects
 - comparative aspects of diatheses
 - application in an electronic language resource
- mapping lexical resources:
 - enhancing Czech valency lexicon with semantic classes and semantic roles; based on FrameNet
 - strengthening lexical resources with corpus evidence (VALEVAL)

Delving Deeper: Lexicographic Description of Syntactic and Semantic Properties of Czech Verbs

- GA P406/12/0557, duration 2012-2015
- budget: 7.137 mil. CZK
- partners:
 - ÚFAL:

Markéta Lopatková, Vendula Kettnerová, Eda Bejček, Anša Vernerová (1.2 contract)

 Institute of Slavonic Languages, Academy of Science of the Czech Republic: Karolína Skwarska (0.7 full contract)

NoSCoM: Non-Standard Computational Models and Their Applications in Complexity, Linguistics, and Learning

- GA P202/10/1333, duration 2010-2014
- Institute of Computer Science, Academy of Science of the Czech Republic: Jiří Šíma, Jiří Wiedermann, Petr Savický, Stanislav Žák, Robert Kessl
- MFF UK:
 Martin Plátek, Markéta Lopatková, Fero Mráz, Iveta Mrázová, Peter Černo
- topics:
 - 1. Unconventional Computational Models
 - 2. Neural Networks
 - 3. Specialized Unbounded Automata and Grammars
 - modeling of stratificational dependency-based syntax
 - based on the analysis by reduction and restarting automata
 - recently, focus on free word-order:
 (non-)projectivity of a sentence and a number of word order shifts
 - RA and PDT
 - model of a lexicon
 - 4. Branching Programs

Central Funding

- PROVOZ (teaching money)
 - ca 1.9 mil. CZK salaries (3.65 full contracts)
 - 762 th. CZK other costs
- PRVOUK (research money)
 - ca 3.0 mil. salaries (5.3 full contracts)
 - 350 th, CZK other costs
- Specific Research (?)
 - 150 th, CZK other costs
- Rozvojový program (teaching money)
 - 190 th. CZK salaries
 - 110 th. other costs

Markéta Lopatková – Teaching (1)

"Teaching projects":

- Master program in Mathematical Linguistics I3 ("teacher responsible for the program")
- EM LCT (Language and Communication Technologies) together with Vladislav Kuboň
 6 students for 2014-15 (+ 1 scholarship)
 - new phase: 2013-2018
- involved in a preparation of BSc. "General Computer Science" in English (from 2013/14)

Markéta Lopatková – Teaching (2)

Courses:

- Mathematical analysis
 winter + summer term, a practical course, BSc.
- Prague Dependency Treebank with Jiří Mírovský
- Mathematical Methods in Linguistics ???

Supervising:

4 PhD students, 1 Master student

Others:

- Grant Agency of Charles University
 committee for computer science (oborová rada)
- Czech Science Foundation / GAČR panel P406 Linguistics and Literature
- editorial board: Slovo a slovesnost, Korpus Gramatika Axiologie
- coordinator of Erasmus exchange:
 Bolzano, Trento, Malta, Utrecht, Groningen

David Mareček

Teaching:

Selected Problems in Machine Learning (with ZŽ)

- Bayesian inference
- Gibbs sampling

Supervision:

1 bachelor student defended this year

0 left

Research:

Unsupervised grammar induction: parsing, tagging

Supervised dependency parsing

Projects:

Postdoc GAČR, QTLeap, HamleDT

PostDoc GAČR

Sentence structure induction without annotated corpora

Duration: 2014 - 2016

Budget: 1,416,000 CZK

Plan:

2014 - Grammar induction from supervised POS tags

2015 - Grammar induction without supervised POS tags (using word clustering, POS tag induction)

2016 - Employing grammar induction in applications (machine translation)

Jiří Mírovský

Annotation of discourse phenomena (discourse relations, coreference, TFA) in PDT or elsewhere

 with Prof. Hajičová, Šárka Zikánová, Lucie Poláková, Pavlína Jínová, Magdaléna Rysová, Kateřina Rysová, Anja Nedoluzko, and others

Analysis by reduction performed on analytical trees

with Markéta Lopatková, Vladislav Kuboň

Publication of data

- PDT 3.0, PDTSC (Maruška Mikulová)
- PDT 3.x?, PCEDT?

Jiří Mírovský

COST-TextLink (2014–2017)

- an interlinked database of connectives in many languages, with pointers to corpus examples
- money only for travelling (but COST-cz?)
- with Prof. Hajičová, Šárka Zikánová, Lucie Poláková, Pavlína Jínová, Magdaléna Rysová, Kateřina Rysová, Anja Nedoluzko

Teaching

 practical sessions for Markéta Lopatková's lectures about PDT (NPFL075)

Public Service

Purchase and management of software (but not SW from Microsoft)

- i.e. dictionaries from Lingea, Adobe Acrobat

Purchase and management of data published by LDC

Assistant management of **Amoeba** (database of employees at ÚFAL)

Anja Nedoluzhko

- projects: GAČR "Coreference, discourse relations and information structure in a contrastive perspective" (Šárka Zikánová), KONTAKT (Šárka Zikánová), LINDAT-CLARIN, COST-Textlink
- coreference, discourse team
 - managing coreference annotation in PCEDT both in English and Czech part nominal coreference annotation is added,
 - o comparison of coreferential expressions in Czech and English (with M. Novak)
 - representation of Prague discourse conception to the Czech academic community (Slovo a slovesnost, terminology) - coreference part
 - o preparation of coreference chapters for a collective monogtraph of our discourse team ("Text structure: the interplay of the information structure, coreference and discourse relations")
 - plans Anaphora resolution in Czech and its linguistic analysis (with M.Novak et al.), GAČR proposal
 - rather plans comparison of approaches to discourse and cohesive phenomena in Czech,
 English and German (with colleagues in Saarbrucken)
- morphology (productive prefixation in Czech and Slovak with Jarka (PBML), extended to the deeper linguistic research, semantic analysis of circumfixal intensifying derivational patterns in Russian)
- Preparation of Russian corpus annotated with coreference (guidelines, annotation, revision, analysis)
- **teaching** (not this year) Variabilities of languages (with Šárka and Magda)

Michal Novák

- GAUK 4226/2011: Utilization of coreference in machine translation
 - finished
- GAČR project proposal: Anaphora resolution in Czech and its linguistic analysis
 - with Anja, Šárka, Jirka and Ivana
- coreference-related topics:
 - Anaphoric expressions in parallel Czech-English data
 - with Anja
 - Cross-lingual coreference resolution
 - with Zdeněk
 - semi-supervised approaches for cross-lingual CR

Michal Novák

- Khresmoi
 - finished
 - data filtering for MT
 - Czech NLP pipeline for information extraction within the Gate toolkit
- public service
 - supplying Karolinum bookstore with books published at ÚFAL
 - administration of the related web pages

Sales of ÚFAL books

Book	11/12 - 03/13	04/13 - 03/14	04/14 - 06/14	Total
Ondřej Bojar: Čeština a strojový překlad: Strojový překlad našincům, našinci strojovému překladu	7	2		9
Ondřej Bojar: Exploiting linguistic data in machine translation	2	1	1	4
Petr Homola: Syntatic analysis in machine translation	2	2		4
Anna Nědolužko: Rozšířená textová koreference a asociační anafora	2	1	1	4
Pavel Pecina: Lexical association measures: Collocation Extraction	2	2		4
Marie Mikulová: Významová reprezentace elipsy	2		1	3
Jiří Mírovský: Searching in the Prague Dependency Treebank	1	2		3
Zdeňka Urešová: Valence sloves v Pražském závislostním korpusu	3			3
Zdeňka Urešová: Valenční slovník Pražského závislostního korpusu PDT-Vallex	3			3
Magda Ševčíková: Funkce kondicionálu z hlediska významové roviny	1		1	2
Silvie Cinková: Words that Matter: Towards a Swedish-Czech Colligational Dictionary of Basic Verbs	1			1
Total	26	10	4	40
Book / Month	5.2	0.8	1.3	2

Lucie Poláková

Project:

Annotation of discourse structure on PDT (discourse connectives, their scopes + meanings, textual coreference, bridging anaphora)

Recently:

- PDiT 1.0 released in November 2012
- Enhanced version released in PDT 3.0 in December 2013 (new: mainly genres, rhematizers, Anja – coreference of 1st + 2nd person)
- Annotation of alternative lexicalizations od discourse connective in PDT (Majda Rysová)

Grant support:

GAČR (Zikánová, "Interplays" till 2015)

LINDAT

KONTAKT, second round - Cooperation with UPenn and prof. Aravind Joshi's team (+ dr. R. Prasad in Milwaukee, Winconsin)

Lucie Poláková

COST: TextLink (Action IS1312)

Huge EU project on multilingual corpora with linked connectives – funding mainly for gathering scientists and resources, no salaries (PI – L. Degand, Belgium)

MC members for Czech Republic: Jiří Mírovský, L. Poláková

April 2014: kick-off meeting in Brussels October 20.-21. 2014 **meeting in Prague** (L. Degand, B. Webber, M. Stede etc.)

Note: **STSM** - **Short term scientific missions** – **call for participation**, scientific stays from the COST funding in the whole Europe (+ Turkey)

Lucie Poláková

PhD: Dissertation topic:

The concept of discourse-level description for the PDT

Administrative:

- new UFAL webpages
- nástěnkářka [©]
 (poster decoration art manager)



Martin Popel

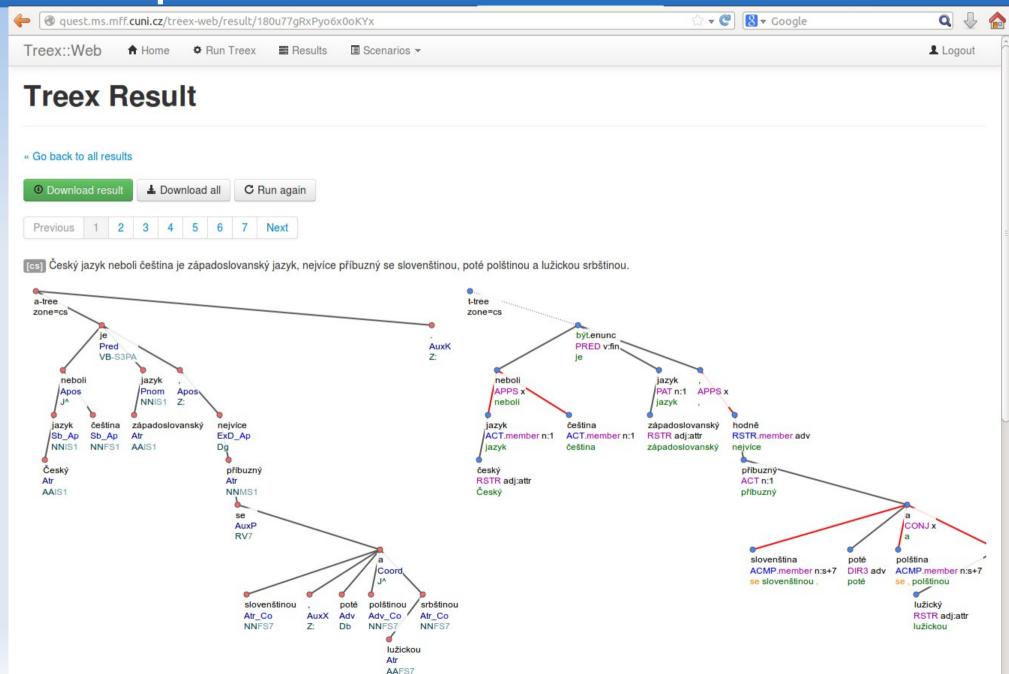
- Treex NLP framework (+ Treex::Web by Michal Sedlák)
 - more language-independent code for tecto-analysis (and synthesis) exploiting Interset (by Dan Zeman)
- TectoMT machine translation (PhD thesis on transfer)
 - experiments with Vowpal Wabbit and structured prediction
- HamleDT 30+ treebanks (ACL14: stanfordization, LRE paper)
- PBML (next deadline: January 15th 2015) LaTeX volunteer?
- Technical reports (2014 deadline: December 1st)
- Teaching autumn: Modern Methods in CL I ("Reading group")
 spring: Modern Methods in CL II (for PhD and staff, Deep NN?)

Language Data Resources (with ZŽ, me: significance)



Treex::Web

https://lindat.mff.cuni.cz/services/treex-web/





QTLeap

Quality Translation by Deep Language Engineering Approaches

- 8 partners: (FCUL, DFKI, CUNI, IICT-BAS, UBER, UPV/EHU, UG, HF)
- Build MT system(s) for 14 language pairs:
 English ↔ Basque, Bulgarian, Czech, Dutch, German,
 Portuguese, Spanish
- Extrinsic evaluation: IT-related question answering (user questions translated to English → IR → answers translated back)
- TectoMT considered for MT Pilot 1 for: Czech, Dutch, Portuguese, Spanish
- Depfix considered for: Basque (and Czech via Chimera)
- ÚFAL leads WP2 "Deep MT" (55 PMs)
- 14 PMs also on WP5 "Lexical Semantics: Linking and resolving" (Linked Open Data)

Loganathan Ramasamy - Research

▶ PhD Thesis

- Submitted
- ► Thesis: "Parsing under-resourced languages: Cross-lingual transfer strategies for Indian languages"

► TamilTB - Tamil Dependency Treebank

- Refining annotations
- More data is planned

► EnTam - An English-Tamil Parallel corpus

- Data is released
- Approx. 170K sentences from news, cinema and Bible

Publications - 2014

▶ To appear in PBML: "Multilingual Dependency Parsing: Using Machine Translated Texts instead of Parallel Corpora"

Grants

- ▶ Past: CLARA
- Present: LINDAT/CLARIN

Rudolf Rosa

- PhD student of Zdeněk Žabokrtský (1st year)
 - parsing in multilingual setting, semi-supervised methods
- GAUK (with Jan Mašek, supervised by ZŽ)
 - modelling dependency syntax across languages
- HamleDT project
 - harmonizing annotation of dependency treebanks
- QTLeap grant
 - machine translation with deep language processing
 - Depfix automatic post-editing of machine translation

Kateřina Rysová

Participant of following grants and projects:

• GAČR

PI: Šárka Zikánová – Coreference, discourse relations and information structure in a contrastive perspective

Kontakt II

PI: Šárka Zikánová – Multilingual Corpus Annotation as a Support for Language Technologies

Cost

Czech PI: Jiří Mírovský – Structuring Discourse in Multilingual Europe (TextLink)

LINDAT

PI: Jan Hajič

Kateřina Rysová

Main research interests:

- Topic-focus articulation
- Word order
- Discourse analysis

Current work:

Preparation of the monograph On Word Order from the Communicative Point of View

Preparation of annotation of topic-focus articulation in PCEDT (in Czech and English part); together esp. with: prof. Eva Hajičová, Jiří Mírovský

Kateřina Rysová

Further activities:

- Cooperation with Faculty of Arts:
 occasionally teaching, investigator of the
 finished GAUK project Valency as the
 Word Order Factor
- Preparation of Olympiad in the Czech language

Magdaléna Rysová

A team member of grants and projects:

GAČR

PI: Šárka Zikánová – Coreference, discourse relations and information structure in a contrastive perspective

Kontakt II

PI: Šárka Zikánová – Multilingual Corpus Annotation as a Support for Language Technologies

Cost

Czech PI: Jiří Mírovský – Structuring Discourse in Multilingual Europe (TextLink)

Magdaléna Rysová

Main Research Interests

- Discourse relations
- Discourse connectives and other means of expressing textual relations
- Theme of Ph.D. thesis: Discourse connectives expressed by multiword expressions like "the reason is", "this means", "the condition is" etc. (supervisor: prof. PhDr. Eva Hajičová, DrSc.)

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Jana Straková

- graduate student (advisor: prof. Jan Hajič)
- research interests:
 - cognitive neuroscience
 - artificial neural networks
 - tagging, named entity recognition
- projects:
 - MorphoDiTa
 - NameTag
 - Czech Named Entity Corpus

Pavel Straňák

- 1. LINDAT/CLARIN "scientific secretary"
 - Web Apps and Services, repository
 - Korektor: statistical spellchecker with bells and whistles; some plans with Milan Straka (starting with training for 1-2 other languages)
 - anything else
- 2. EUDAT (B2SHARE): a big part of the past year (finished)
- 3. PARSEME: Multiword expressions, named entities
 - MWE in PDT 3 ++
 - Named Entities: structure (automatic), semantics (wiki, knowl. bases, web auto)
 - Parsing of MWEs
 - Use of MWE-specific information in other applications

Teaching

NPFL098 (ATKL00345): Automatické zpracování textových dat

- The goal is to facilitate smooth transition to UFAL courses that require some programming and text (data) processing skills.
- for humanities' students or our doctoral students without background in computer science
- basic unix + perl data processing, Unicode, using REST web services, OpenNLP models training ...
- since 2013/14 extended to 2+2

Common Good

ISBN evidence: I assign UFAL ISBNs to datasets or books

Magda Ševčíková

- involved in projects
 - GA ČR P406/12/P175 Selected derivational relations for automatic processing of Czech
 - principal investigator, post-doc project, 2012–2014
 - LM2010013 LINDAT-Clarin
 - team member
 - (proposal of a GA ČR project on description of morphological and syntactic phenomena based on Prague dependency treebanks of spoken and written Czech, submitted for 2015–2017)

teaching

- course on academic writing "Professional language and style"
 - with Veronika Kolářová
 - for master students, Faculty of Mathematics and Physics
- "Introduction to Formal Linguistics"
 - for master students, Faculty of Mathematics and Physics
- course on selected syntactic theories "New directions in linguistics"
 - for master students of English philology, Faculty of Philosophy and Arts
- "Variability of languages in time and space"
 - with Anja Nedoluzhko and Šárka Zikánová
 - for PhD students, Faculty of Mathematics and Physics
 - not taught in Fall 2014
- academic service
 - entrance examination tests in Czech (for applicants from abroad)
 - with Prof. Panevová

Current work:

- database of Czech derived words "DeriNet"
 - with Zdeněk Žabokrtský
 - DeriNet version 0.5 released in May 2014 at http://ufal.mff.cuni.cz/derinet
 - version 1.0 expected by December 2014
 - more than 260k noun, adjective, verb, and adverb lemmas from the SYN subcorpus of the Czech National Corpus
 - lemmas (nodes) connected with links (edges) corresponding to derivational relations
 - 46k derivational links delivered by an existing tool for morphological analysis (Hajič 2004)
 - 26k links based on an automatically discovered set of derivation rules
 - 4k links created by a (manually written) grammar-based set of derivation rules
 - ... under construction
 - presented at
 - LREC 2014, May 26–31, Reykjavik, Iceland
 - SLE 2014 (Societas Linguistica Europaea), September 11–14, Poznan, Poland
 - (at a Monday seminar in Fall 2014)
- •linguistic research in word-formation
 - semantics and frequency characteristics of the Czech noun suffix -ost
 - published in journal Korpus gramatika axiologie 9, 2014
 - productivity od nouns with suffixes -ost, -ství/-tví, -ismus, -ita (meaning of quality)
 - accepted for publication in journal Naše řeč in 2014
 - revision of grammatical description of the suffix -ství a case study based on corpus and database data
 - to be presented at the Corpus Linguistics Conference in Prague, September 17–19

Aleš Tamchyna

- PhD student at ÚFAL
 - advised by Ondřej Bojar
 - starting my 3rd year
- research interests:
 - statistical machine translation
 - machine learning in NLP

Zdeňka Urešová

GAČR POSTDOC PROJECT (2013 – 2015)

A comparison of Czech and English verbal valency based on corpus material (theory and practice)

- Description of verbal valency in Czech and English
- Data preparation together with Jana Šindlerová, Eva Fučíková
- Related: AMR annotation comparison between Czech and English (par t of JHU Workshop CLAMR team, Kontakt II)
- Publ in 2014: 4 (Parseme, LREC, COLING workshop LG-LP, ACL Workshop on "Events")

• EU KHRESMOI PROJECT (2010-2014, finished - Aug. 2014)

Medical Information on the Internet for general public and professionals (PI: J. Hajič)

- User Evaluation (together with J. Hlaváčová and J.Hajič)
- Query translation for testing (mostly medical terms)
- Preparation of general MT test data
- Publ in 2014: 7 with others in the project (see http://khresmoi.eu)

MK "NAKI": AMALACH (Ministry of Culture, Czech Rep., 2012-2015)

General goal: cross-language indexing of audio in Czech and English, with Univ. of West Bohemia

- Localisation of the The Visual History Archive online portal from USC Shoah Foundation
- Translation of a thesaurus from English to Czech (55 000 keywords, in cooperation with USC)

Zdeňka Urešová

SERVICE AND OTHER ACTIVITIES

- Depling 2013, Prague poster session organization
- JHU Workshop 2014, Prague organization + member of CLAMR (=<u>CLAMR</u>: <u>Cross-Lingual Abstract Meaning Representations for Machine Translation</u>; led by Martha Palmer
 - Main task: annotation of AMR for Czech texts
- Reviewer for Program Committee, Area "Resources", COLING 2014, Dublin, Ireland (see http://www.coling-2014.org)
- Member of Program Committee for 10th Joint ACL ISO Workshop on Interoperable Semantic Annotation, Reykjavik, Iceland, May 26, 2014, see http://sigsem.uvt.nl/isa10/
- Co-author of ISO 24617-4:2014 (en)
 - Language resource management Semantic annotation framework (SemAF)
 - Part 4: Semantic roles (SemAF-SR)
- Talk:
 - Czech lexical resources for NLP Google NYC, Feb. 2014

Anna Vernerová

Advisor: Markéta Lopatková

annotation of diatheses for Vallex finished:

the recipient diathesis the possessive resultative diathesis ongoing:

the passive diathesis

nominal entries for Vallex

Dan Zeman

- Funding
 - PRVOUK
 - KHRESMOI => Statistical Machine Translation
 - ended in August
 - QT LEAP
 - since September

Dan Zeman

- Interset: conversion of morphosyntactic tags between tagsets (both in Czech and cross-language)
 - Universal description of morphological tagsets
- HamleDT
 many treebanks → common annotation style
 - With Martin P., Zdeněk, Ruda and others
- Universal Dependencies
 - With Joakim Nivre, Google folks and others

Dan Zeman

- Parsing
 - Underresourced languages, delexicalized parsing
- Teaching
 - Morphological and Syntactic Analysis
 - Disrupted: Computational NLP (but kept at ČVUT)
 - New course: "New Language"
- Other
 - Bibliography maintenance (the "Biblio" database)

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- GA ČR: standard project
 Coreference, discourse relations and information structure in a contrastive perspective (P406/12/0658)
- KONTAKT: cooperation with University of Pennsylvania Multilingual corpus annotation as a support for language technologies (KONTAKT 14011)

Teaching

Courses:

- Information structure of sentences and discourse structure (with E. Hajičová)
- Variability of languages in time and space (with M. Ševčíková and A. Nedoluzhko)
- Supervisor of Ph.D. theses and master theses

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GA ČR P406/12/0658

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- Standard GA ČR project 2012-15
- Prof. Hajičová, Pavlína Jínová, Jiří Mírovský, Anja Nedoluzhko, Lucie Poláková, Kateřina Rysová, Magdaléna Rysová, Barbora Vidová Hladká, Šárka Zikánová
- 3 basic topics:
 - Discourse
 - Coreference
 - Information structure

Discourse

- Representation of Prague discourse conception to the Czech academic community (submitted for publictaion in Slovo a slovesnost, terminology)
- Annotation of alternative lexicalizations of discourse connectives (the reason is instead of because) finished; checking consistency of annotation in progress, annotators' agreement measured (so far preliminary results)
- Automatic searching for multiword discourse markers
- Distribution of discourse types across genres measured and described

Information structure

- Monograph "O slovosledu z komunikačního pohledu" (The word order from the communicative perspective) – Ph.D. thesis by Kateřina Rysová (Bolzano award)
- Influence of valency on the word order in Czech (LREC 2014, K. Rysová – J. Mírovský)
- Automatic annotation of the topic-focus articulation in the PCEDT (with J. Mírovský)

Coreference

- Comparison of coreferential expressions in Czech and English (Anja Nedoluzhko with M. Novák)
- Just starting: comparison of approaches to discourse and cohesive phenomena in Czech, English and German (with colleagues in Saarbrucken)
- Annotation of nominal coreference annotation in PCEDT (ready, in Czech part some controls remaining)

Interplays

 Preparation of a collective monogtraph "Text structure: the interplay of the information structure, coreference and discourse relations" (to be submitted in July 2015, for the UFAL book series)

Multilingual Corpus Annotation as a Support for Language Technologies KONTAKT 14011

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KONTAKT 14011

- 2014 2016
- Partner: University of Pennsylvania, Institute for Research in Cognitive Science
 - Aravind K. Joshi, Bonnie Webber, Rashmi Prasad (Penn Discourse Treebank)
- Comparative description of Czech and English text structure
- Deduction of the meaning of a text
 - Discourse
 - Coreference

Cooperation

- Long informal cooperation
- KONTAKT project Towards a computational analysis of text structure (2010 – 2012)
- New know-how for both sides, theoretical feedback, feedback coming from the data of a different language
- Plans:
 - Text genres
 - Prediction of implicit discourse relations

Lukáš Žilka