

# Non-projective Dependency-based Pre-Reordering with Recurrent Neural Network for Machine Translation

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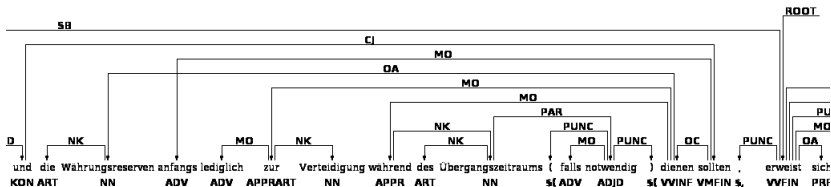
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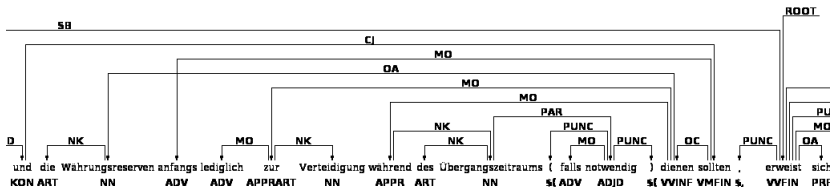
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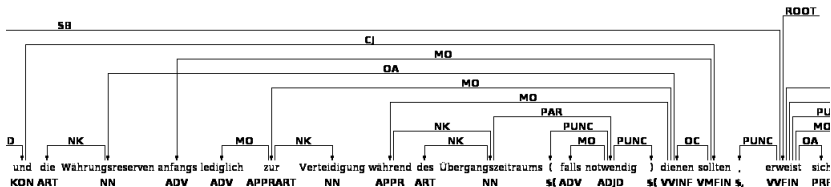
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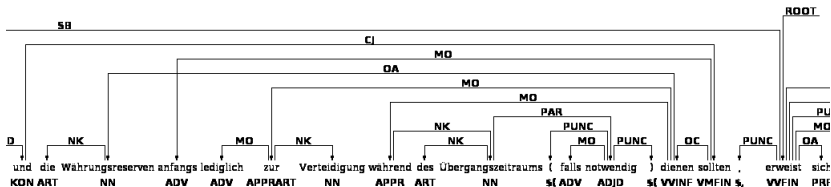
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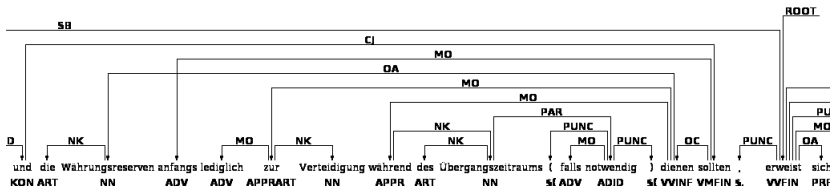
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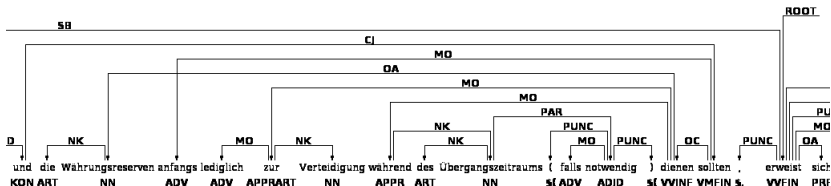






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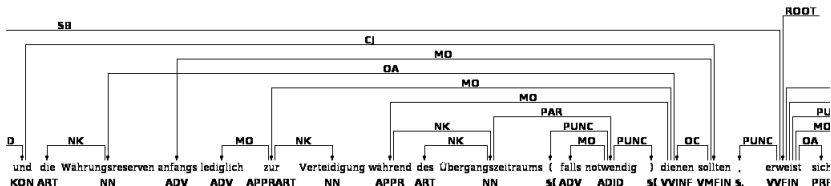
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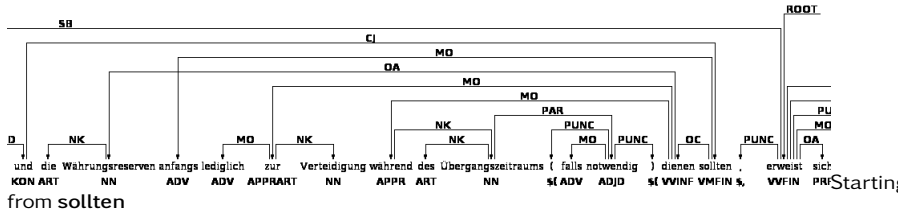
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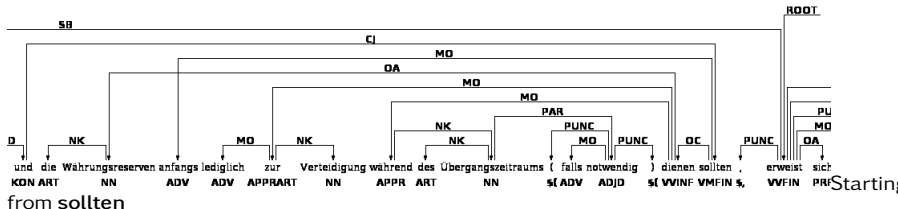


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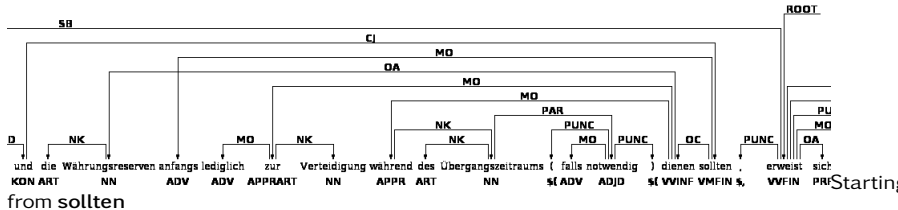
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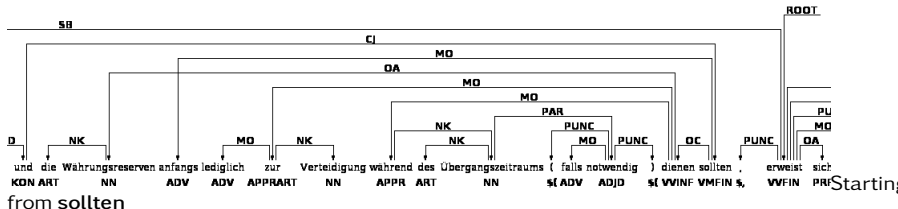
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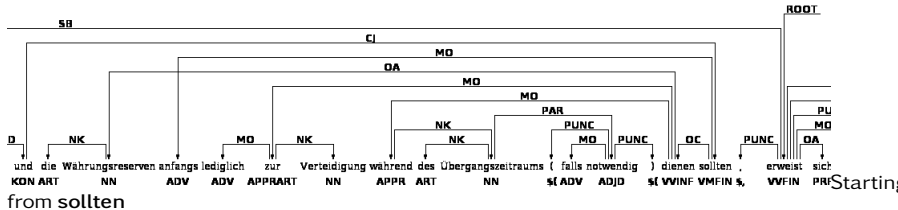
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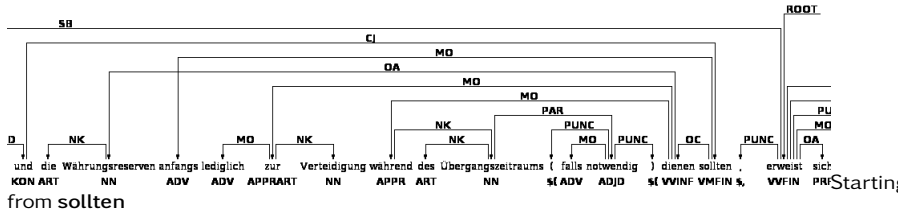
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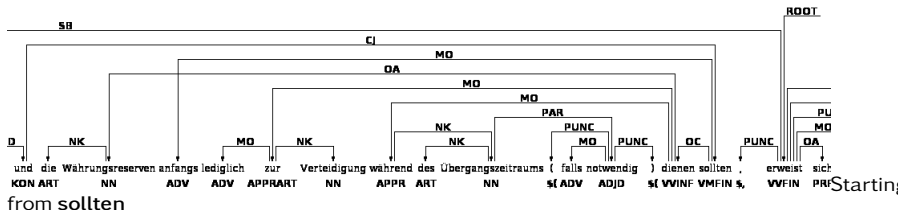


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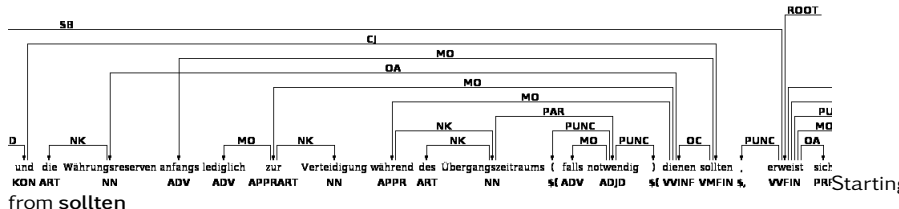
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news2013	unlex. Fragment RNN-RM	19.27	+0.47
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news2009	baseline	18.09	
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