

Categorical Type Logics and Italian Corpora

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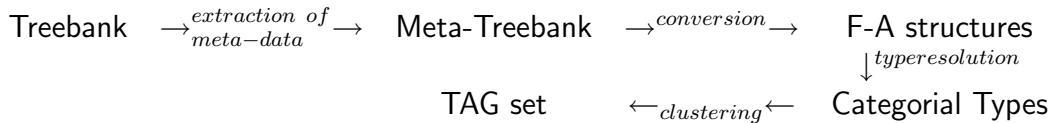
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      [6;VERB-SUBJ]
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      [3;ADJC+ORDIN-RMOD]
3  approcci (APPROCCIO NOUN COMMON M PL)
      [1;DET+DEF-ARG]
4  non (NON ADV NEG)
      [6;ADVB-RMOD]
5  sono (ESSERE VERB AUX IND PRES INTR 3 PL)
      [6;AUX+TENSE]
6  stati (ESSERE VERB MAIN PART PAST INTR PL M)
      [0;TOP-VERB]
7  esaltanti (ESALTANTE ADJ QUALIF ALLVAL PL)
      [6;VERB-PREDCOMPL+SUBJ]
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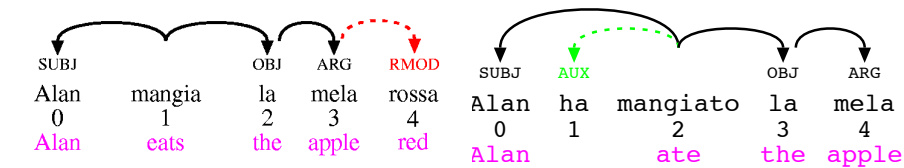


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