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# Abstract

The aim of this project is to develop an implemented prototype of a vocal interface to a computer animation system.

The main purpose of building such an interface is to improve the interaction between human beings and artificial actors using speech recognition.

This interface is embedded in the Interactive Story Telling System, used by the university, which is based on the Unreal  $^{\text{TM}}$ game <sup>1</sup> engine.

An analysis of the Interactive Story Telling System especially at the speech recognition and Natural Language Processing layers is provided.

A research on both Speech Recognition systems and Natural Language Processing is conducted to find out what is the best way to get the best performance.

We look especially at the different modes of speech recognition and the accuracy of speech recognition systems.

Regarding the Natural Language Processing approach, we look at a brief history of Natural Language Processing in which several concepts used to build past systems is reviewed, before introducing its main concepts and its embedding in the interactive storytelling system.

A corpus (set of sentences) of 300 sentences has been implemented using the ©BabelTech lexicon editor.

However three versions of the corpus were implemented. The first one is syntactic based; the second is thematic based, which gave low recognition results because of their complexity. The third and final version is based on plain text and alternatives.

To increase the flexibility of the system an extension of those sentences is provided in the Corpus using alternatives.

The Natural Language Processing is dealt using templates implemented using the Ear SDK from ©BabelTech.

Templates are based on speech acts, which aim at associating a list of keywords

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to a specific meaning.

The first version of the templates is containing all the themes and their relevant speech acts.

A first working prototype based on six relevant themes is provided reaching the performances expected within the given time.

Tests have been carried out at all the stages of the project using applications provided by Mr. Steven Mead and Mr. Fred Charles.

A review of Testing techniques and results has been provided.

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# Chapter 1

# Introduction

To start with, Speech is one of the many ways a human being can interact with another one. The aim of speech recognition is to provide an interface to allow a human being to interact with a machine using speech.

## 1.1 Speech recognition

Speech recognition can be defined as

"the process of converting an acoustic signal, captured by a microphone or a telephone, to a set of words."

(V. Zue and R. A. Cole. Spoken language input)[16].

Once recognized, the words or set of words recognized can be used as input to any number of different applications. The recognized words can be used to control computers or other machines, for data entry and for text processing.

## 1.2 Natural Language Processing

Natural Language Processing (NLP) is intending to analyse and represent naturally occurring texts to achieve human-like language processing:

"NLP is a range of computational techniques for analysing and representing naturally occurring texts at one or more levels of linguistic analysis for the purpose of achieving human-like language processing for knowledge intensive applications."

Woojin Paik. Natural language processing[13].

## **1.3** Interactive Story Telling System overview

## 1.3.1 The system

The aim of the Interactive Story Telling System (ISS) is to create dynamic narratives with which the user can interact. The system is divided into three layers, the user layer, the character layer and the 3D environment layer as described in the figure 1.1: The user layer will be the most exploited, this layer is made up itself into 2 layers: the speech recognition layer and the Natural Language Processing (NLP) layer [11].

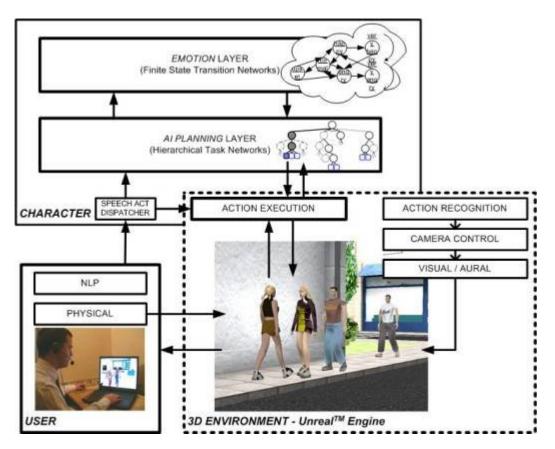


Figure 1.1: Character-based Interactive Storytelling[3]

## 1.3.2 The speech recognition layer

The speech recognition layer is providing tools to develop a Finite State Grammar (FSG), which is the set of sentences (corpus) to be recognized by the automatic speech recognition (ASR) system.

## 1.3.3 The natural language processing layer

This layer aims at attempting to map the output from the speech recognition layer and carries out the actual speech recognition act [11]. It is based on templates that contain all the sentences to be validated from the ear system and all the speech acts of the scenario.

## 1.4 Aims and contributions

The main aim of this project is to build a prototype of a vocal interface with an efficient speech recognition accuracy within an interactive storytelling system. To do so, here are the contributions:

- Analysing the interactive storytelling system.
- Finding ways to improve the accuracy and the performance of the vocal interface by:
  - Studying and understanding the basics of speech recognition and natural language processing principles.
  - Having a look at existing speech recognition systems.
  - Implementing those concepts in the system.
- Producing a Corpus with about 300 sentences which fix to the plot used by the Interactive Storytelling System by:
  - Doing a Review of James Bond Movies Villains Sentences
  - Extending those sentences to make the system more flexible

Another goal is to propose a Methodology which can be re-used in other Speech Recognition systems by summarizing the different steps which lead to an efficient system.

## 1.5 The structure of this report

In this report, after dealing with the methodology and research, we will have a look on how to build a corpus, the embedding of the system in Unreal<sup>TM1</sup> to finally talk about the testing and refinement of the product.

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# Chapter 2

# Methodology

Constraint: As a part of a scientific publication this project was managed by a non-negotiable main deadline on mid April.

A first version of the Corpus had to be handed in on mid December.

A first beta version of the system had to be operational on the beginning of March.

The project development has been split into several steps.

The first was to do some research on speech recognition and natural language processing to see how the problem can be solved and if people have already solved this kind of problem.

By doing the research, a learning of the development tools in which the system has to be implemented was done as well.

Regarding the design an analysis on how we can deal with the problem was done, and different ways to solve the problem have been proposed.

The three main steps was to find a way to build the corpus first, next implement the templates and finally mix them together to have the best efficiency.

Although a testing and refinement phase is necessary at the end of the project, a lot of tests were done on going the project. The Figure 2.1 is illustrating the different methodology steps.

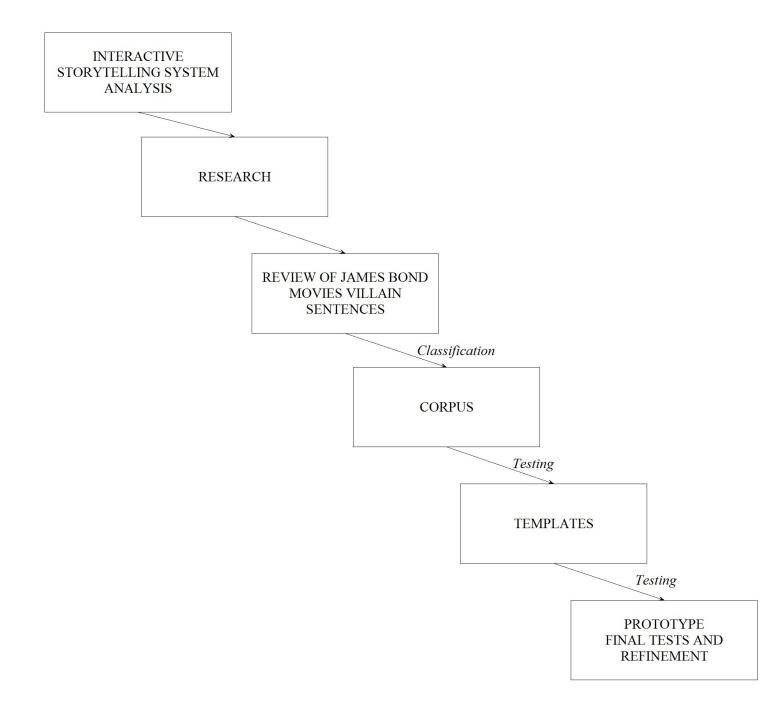


Figure 2.1: Methodology Chart

# Chapter 3

# Research

## 3.1 Speech Recognition System

In this part, we will focus on speech recognition systems in order to find out a system that best fix with the project.

## 3.1.1 Mode

There are several modes in which a speech recognition system can be used [7]:

- **Dependent systems:** In this system, the system has to be trained and accustomed to the voice of the user, recording sessions by the user is necessary. This system cannot be used in our case because it is not always the same user who is using the system.
- Independent systems: Those systems do not require a training phase, which fix with the aim of the project. However we are losing a little bit of accuracy.
- Isolated Word Recognition: In this recognition mode, each word is surrounded by a silence, the system is not required to know the beginning and the end of each word, each word is compared to a list of word models, it is the less greedy system in term of CPU requirement.
- Continuous Speech Recognition: Contrary to the previous mode, this mode requires more CPU and is user-friendlier. It is based on the assumption that the system is able to recognize a sequence of word in a sentence. We are losing in recognition accuracy but it is user-friendlier.

• Keyword Spotting: This is the more interesting speech recognition mode. Indeed it is a mix between continuous and isolated speech recognition and it improves the accuracy. Those systems are able to recognize words and group of words corresponding to a particular command or speech acts. For example in a Video Renting Machine, if we assume that the user asks for western movies, the user has many different ways to ask his question, it could be: "Show me the list of western movies" or "Can you please give me the list of movies with cowboys". The words "western" and "cowboys" are corresponding to a specified action which can be in this example to display the list of western movies. In our example we can consider the keyword spotting as "multiple" since a list of several keywords stands for the same meaning.

### 3.1.2 Existing systems

Speech recognition is starting to have a lot of applications using a dependent recognition system. For example, speech to text software used for pc dictation or to control pc operating systems. Speech recognition is also used in telephony and calls centres.

## 3.1.3 Accuracy

Nowadays, there is no speech recognition system that has 100 per cent accuracy. The accuracy of the speech recognition system that we are using is relying on those statements:

- Vocabulary size: The size of the vocabulary is a really important point in speech recognition, the more the size of the vocabulary is important the more the user can talk in different manner. However, if there are too many words the system is more led to make errors. If two words of different meanings have close pronunciations it can raise problem in the system. This means that we need to identify which vocabulary is more likely to be used by the user.
- Language Models: The way we deal with syntactic and semantic constraints is an important feature for the accuracy of the system. How the words and the set of words are split within the speech acts is important.

Other accuracy improvement features will be dealt further in this report.

## 3.2 Natural Language Processing approach

### 3.2.1 Purpose

Natural Language Processing (NLP) is intending to analyse and represent naturally occurring texts to achieve human-like language processing [4]. In other words, NLP helps to define relevant logical grammar rules considering semantic, syntactic and lexical features. Natural language is used in a lot of human computer interaction systems.

### 3.2.2 History

This part is mainly based on the The Handbook of artificial intelligence by Avron Barr and Edward A. Feigenbaum [1].

The concept was introduced by Dr. Alan Turing in 1950[9], a British mathematician by proposing a test for intelligence. The aim is to answer to the question "Can this machine trick the human to think that its human", the machine used to do this test was a natural language program which attempted to converse with a human subject. The subject is placed in a room and is not aware whether he is talking to a human or a computer. The communication was done by typing on a terminal.

The first researches done in Natural Language Processing, during the middle of the 20th century [1], were about finding a way to resolve worldwide translation problems. This research called machine translation attempted to simulate the functions of a human translator using a computer. It was based on a search in a bilingual dictionary by finding an equivalent word in the output language. After processing sentences using this way, this system tried to put the output strings in the output language's word order. Problems occurred and this project was abandoned.

In the 1960s, researchers tried to find new ways to deal with the machine translation problem by viewing the human language as a involving knowledge of different kinds: The structure of the sentence, the meaning of the words, the rules of conversation and etcetera. The goal was to make a computer performed as a human, by modelling the human language processing using knowledge storing.

The early Natural language software was based on processing the language only in a specific domain. The main programs were Green's BASEBALL, Lindsay's SAD-SAM, Bobrow's STUDENT, and Weizenbaum's ELIZA.

Here is an example of an early application of NLP: ELIZA (Weizenbaum, 1966).

ELIZA aimed at enabling the user to discuss with the machine. The user played the role of a patient and the machine a psychotherapist.

Sample Dialogue with Eliza[10] :

•••

USER: Men are all alike.

ELIZA: In what way?

USER: They're always bugging us about something or other.

ELIZA: Can you think of a specific example?

USER: Well, my boyfriend made me come here.

ELIZA: Your boyfriend made you come here.

USER: He says I'm depressed much of the time.

ELIZA: I am sorry to hear you are depressed.

USER: It's true, I am unhappy.

ELIZA: Do you think coming here will help you not to be unhappy?

USER: I need some help; that much seems certain.

ELIZA: What would it mean to you if you got some help?

USER: Perhaps I could learn to get along with my mother.

ELIZA: Tell me more about your family.

•••

ELIZA was based upon predeclared keywords and pattern matching that gave information about the objects and the relationships between the latest. The results of such a system were impressive because of a limited discourse.

In the 70s Knowledge based Natural Language systems were introduced by dealing with both semantics and syntactic aspects of Natural Language processing. Those systems are most based on the theory of generative grammar introduced by Chomsky (1957). The idea was to parse the grammar of the sentences to determine their meaning in order to generate an appropriate response. By determining the functions of the words, the system builds a data structure that attempts to get the meaning of the sentence. But the practical use of grammar in natural language systems is complex and based upon the definition of the parser.

In order to be able to answer about the sample of rocks brought back from the moon, William Wood's LUNAR program were one of the first NL program which attempts to deal with the problems of English grammar using an augmented network parser. By integrating syntactic and semantic analysis with a body of a world-limited domain, those kinds of systems dealt with more complex aspects of language and discourse than previous programs.

The idea was to represent knowledge in a procedural way within the system. Semantics were integrated as programs in a computer language, this is called, procedural representations, in other words, it aimed at associating the definition of the words as actions executed by program fragments.

Semantic networks, which aim at linking parts of world knowledge together through semantics, have also been used in a lot of Natural language program (MARGIE and SAM (Schank 1975; Schank and Abelson 1977)).

During the 1980s empiricism and finite state models went back from the 50s on account of that the IBM Thomas J. Watson research centre introduced the rise of probabilistic models of speech recognition.

In 1994, the British national corpus was made available[12]. Now, the World Wide Web is used as a huge hyper linked corpus. Currently a lot of research is done in Natural Languages and due to the improvement of the computer performance some areas starts to be commercial. The current approaches in Natural language processing are often a combination of rule, statistical and corpus based methods.

## 3.2.3 Natural Language Processing concepts

The following concepts are key points for the analysis phase of the project [14]:

• Morphology:

It is the way the words are constructed (prefixes and suffixes). A system has to differentiate for example the plural from the singular (e.g. flower / flowers).

• Syntax:

It is how the relationships between the words are structured.

The system has to be able to know the order of the words in a sentence. For example without considering syntax, a system can output "I am cannot be serious". Although syntax is not the meaning, word order is important because the sequence of words helps to determine their functions.

"Syntax can be defined as the arrangement of patterning of words"

George W. Smith, Computer and human language[15].

### • Semantics:

It stands for the meanings of words, sequence of words and expressions. In the sentence "How would I know Mr. Bond?", the system has to be able to associate expressions to a meaning, in this example it could be the sequence "How would I know" associates with the meaning denial and the expression Mr. Bond associates with the meaning actor.

"Semantics constructs are usually more specific than syntactic rules and often resolve syntactic ambiguities."

George W. Smith, Computer and human language[15].

### • Discourse:

It embodies the relationships across different sentences or thoughts (contextual effects).

### • Pragmatic:

It is the studies of how language is used to achieve specific goals.

#### • Ambiguity[10]:

Ambiguity is an important issue in NLP; the issue is that a sequence of words can have different meanings. The expression "of course" can have different meanings it can stands for "yes, I agree" or ironically "no I disagree". Those problems can be resolved by using speech acts that allow the system to deal with the consequences of the speech. But we have to bear in mind that speech acts can be in some cases ambiguous; indeed one phrase can correspond to several speech acts[15].

## 3.2.4 Natural Language Processing in an Interactive Storytelling system

NLP is an important feature in an interactive storytelling system. This part is mainly based on interactive storytelling publications by Marc Cavazza, Fred Charles, and Steven J. Mead.

"Interactive storytelling can be seen as a natural extension of the implementation of autonomous actors. As virtual characters become more intelligent, the action can increasingly rely on their automatic behaviour, generating a larger diversity of story than with current authoring methods. This dynamic computation of the action also makes possible various forms of user intervention, whose consequences on the story can then be propagated, as the plot is re-computed."

Marc Cavazza, Fred Charles, and Steven J. Mead, Interactive Storytelling: From Computer Games to Interactive Stories[5].

Natural language in interactive storytelling is used as a paradigm for influence of plans that are used to drive the behaviour of characters in the story[11]. The main point is that the system aims at influencing the behaviour of characters rather than instructed them like in a conventional natural language system.

The user is interfering with characters to advice them. A planning system is used to drive the characters and modify the story, which is generated from the interaction between the character plans. This planning system is mainly character-based and represents each character role in the story. To do so, the system is using a knowledge representation called Hierarchical Task Networks (HTNs) which describes the behaviour of each character in the story.

The system is supporting re-planning and interleaving of planning and execution enabling an agent to re-plan new solutions as the situation is altered due to other agents or user interaction. Indeed, an agent task network can be directly searched using a real-time variant of the graph-search algorithm AO\*[4]. Agent plans are generated as the semantics of the Natural Language instructions.

There are two main interactions within the system; one is physical interaction the other natural language interaction. Physical interaction is about allowing the user to drop or pick up resources, which modify the plot of the story. Using Natural Language interaction, the user is able to interfere with the story and modify characters plans. Although the user is considering as an active spectator by influencing and assist the development of the story, conventional use of speech recognition as character controlling (e.g. ordering a character to move from a place to one another) is not considered.

As briefly specified in the introduction the system has two layers the speech recognition layer the natural language processing layer. As the input can modify several stages of the planning process, the communicative nature of the input has to be identified. To do so, speech acts are used to categorize the Natural language input. The semantic of the speech acts is compared to the sub-goal node in the agent's plan.

The natural language processing layer aims at attempting to map the output from

the speech recognition layer and perform speech act recognition which influences the HTNs.

The system will attempt to identify the surface form of the advice then it will take the semantic information to produce a speech act. The system has to identify the context in which the utterance is presented and interpret it accordingly. The interpretation of a speech act is not only modifying the plot of the story but it is also depending on the current plan of the story.

## 3.3 Outcome

Here is a list of the main statements resulting from the research, that has to be considered for the implementation:

#### • Speech Recognition system:

The speech recognition system will be based on the keyword spotting principles (See 3.1.1).

### • Accuracy:

The corpus has to have a large set of flexible sentences and a high specific vocabulary (See 3.1.3).

#### • Grammar Validation:

As proposed in the William Woods LUNAR program (See 3.2.2), a way to validate the basic english syntactic rules of the sentences can be attempted.

#### • Discourse:

The discourse (See 3.2.3) has to be considered, it will be managed by regrouping sentences by themes.

#### • Speech Acts:

The Natural Language Processing of the Interactive Storytelling system will be managed using speech acts (See 3.2.4) by considering ambiguities and NLP concepts(See 3.2.3).

# Chapter 4

# Building the corpus

## 4.1 Aim of the Corpus

A corpus in speech recognition is a set of sentences; it aims at referencing all the sentences that the user can say. So, for one sentence we have to consider other ways to say the sentence to make the system flexible. Three versions of the corpus were implemented. The first one is syntactic based, the second is thematic based. The third and final version is based on plain text and alternatives.

## 4.2 The tool

To build the corpus a finite state grammar development tool "ⓒBabelTech lex editor" is used. It is based on a mark-up language, which allows us to build a speech structure. It has some interesting features to be considered such as, alternatives and optional structuring:

- **Classification:** The mark-up language allows a classification of the different utterances classes: Example: <noun> <verb> <actor> and etcetera.
- Alternatives: The tag alt("word1" "word2" )alt aims at providing alternatives for a given meaning or a given grammatical type. For example: alt ("james" "mister\_bond" "james\_bond" )alt are the different ways to say James Bond.
- Sequence: A sequence helps at building sentences by associating different utterances or classes. Example: seq( "hello" "my" "name" "is" <actor> )seq will produce for instance the sentence "hello my name is James Bond".

• Optional: The optional tag aims at defining some part of the sentences that can be said or not. Example: seq( opt ( "hello")opt "my" "name" "is" <actor> )seq will output the sentence "hello my name is James Bond", or simply "my name is James Bond".

Those features improve the flexibility of the system. This example describes the power of those features:

alt("hello" "good\_morning" "hi")alt opt( <ACTOR> )opt

where <ACTOR> is a class which contains all the names of the actors who are in the scenario and the different possibility to name them (James bond, mister bond, James, goldfinger and etcetera).

This simple line of code allows the user to say hello in different ways:

hello, good morning, Hi, hello bond, hi bond, good morning, bond, hello goldfinger and etcetera.

A screenshot of the ©BabelTech lex editor is available in appendix B.

## 4.3 Themes

In the Interactive Story Telling application example, the user plays the role of the villain in a short James Bond movie scenario. Thus, the first thing to do is to collect a suitable number of James Bond villain replies (about 300), and classify them by theme.

Obviously each of those replies has been extended to allow the user to say the sentences in different ways in the purpose of making the system more flexible. After a review of several James Bond movies dialogues, in the final version sentences have been classified into twenty main themes as follow:

### • Denials:

This theme is regrouping all the sentences that deals with a denial in which in which the villain refuses to tell an information to James Bond or ironically refuses to tell him the answer.

#### • Introduction:

This theme is used to introduce actors to James Bond.

#### • Threat:

This theme is a series of threating replies toward James Bond.

### • Challenge:

The sentences contained in this theme aims at challenging James Bond.

#### • Agreements Answer:

This theme includes all the possibility that the user can say to agree with Mr. Bond.

### • Disagreements Answer:

This theme includes all the possibility that the user can say to disagree with Mr. Bond.

### • Greetings hi:

This theme includes all the possibility that the user can say to welcome Mr. Bond.

#### • Greetings bye:

All the ways to say by to Mr. Bond.

### • Complain:

This theme contains several sentences which express a complain toward Mr. Bond.

#### • Offensive:

This theme aims at offending Bond.

#### • Disagreement action:

When the user wants to stop Mr. Bond from doing an action.

#### • Agreement actions:

When the user wants Mr. Bond to carry on his action.

#### • Drinks questions:

Allow the user to propose a drink to Mr. Bond.

#### • Command action Threat:

Allow the user to command Mr. Bond by threatening him, sentences like "put your hands on you head" and etcetera.

#### • Misunderstanding:

When the user does not understand what Mr. Bond is talking about, he can ask him to repeat.

• Thanks:

All the way to say thanks to an actor.

• Compliment:

Several Compliments

• Incredulity:

When the user does not trust an actor.

- Advice: When the user wants to advise Mr. Bond.
- Romance:

This theme contains several romantic sentences if the villain is a girl.

## 4.4 Grammar classification and rules

## 4.4.1 Syntactic Based Grammar

The first idea was to define syntactic rules in the corpus to parse most of the sentences in the future. Basic English grammar rules have been reviewed and an implemented version has been produced.

The structure of this corpus is based on splitting grammar entities into phrasal groups. Here are basic grammar entities: subjects, verbs, nouns, pronouns, preposition, quantifier, auxiliary, adjective and etcetera.

Once those entities defined, we group them into phrasal groups as follow:

Nominal Compliment, Nominal Phrase, Prepositional Phrase, Verbal Phrase and etcetera. For example the sentence "I never fail mr bond" is made of a verbal phrase (VP) and a nominal phrase (NP):

seq(
<VP>
<NC>
)seq
A verbal phrase is defined as being:
<VP>=
seq(
opt( <ADVERB> )opt
opt( <SUBJECT> )opt
opt( <ADVERB> )opt

### opt( <AUXILIARY> )opt

<VERB> )seq;

Each of those classes is containing a list of relevant words, for example, the class verb is containing a list of verbs:

 $\langle VERB \rangle =$ alt( have hope fail admiring dreaming be expect die choose introduce let allow see buy )alt; A nominal complement can be : <NC>= seq(rep( opt( <ADJECTIVE> )opt )rep <NOUN> rep( opt( <NOUN> )opt )rep opt( <NAME> )opt )seq

Other examples are available in Appendix  $C^1$ . The Figure 4.1 is describing the structure of an example of syntactic grammar.

 $<sup>^1\</sup>mathrm{All}$  the full versions of the sources are available on the attached CD

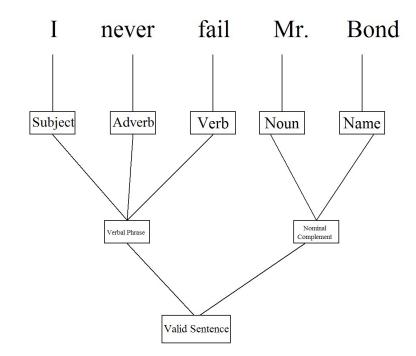


Figure 4.1: Syntatic grammar rules

It has been agreed that the idea of building an English Grammar is too complex for such a specific project. It involves too much rules which force to specify too many optional statements that deeply deteriorate the speech recognition performance.

The other problem raised is semantics because, although syntax is determining the function of the words within a sentence (3.2.3), the semantics are not fully described. However simple rules should not to be ignored, they are useful in some repeat pattern cases.

## 4.4.2 Thematic Based Grammar

The thematic based grammar is the structure that attempts to build the corpus based on syntactic basic rules but by integrating semantic classification. The idea was to categorize the corpus in themes to do a pre-parsing before validating the speech acts by the templates.

All the grammar entities are split into categories. Those categories are themselves split into sub categories. It reminds an object oriented class pattern on account of there are hierarchical links between categories. A diagram describing theses classes is available in Appendix D.

There are two main part in the design of this corpus:

The first one defines the common grammar entities for all the sentences and the second part is thematic based containing the specific entities for each theme. For example, the common category "<VERB>" is split into sub categories: "subject plus verb", "do", "want".

Inside the category "want" there are different patterns that match with the meaning "want". As a result, an affirmation like "This is my best friend" can be also formulated "that s my best friend", "Here is my best friend" and etcetera.

Simply by setting the words "this is", "that s", and "here is" in the same category.

Thematic classes are containing the specific phrases for a given theme. In Appendix D you can see a chart that describes the building of this corpus. In Addition to this diagram an excerpt of the source code is available in Appendix E.

For example the threat theme is dispatched into several classes threatverb, threathnoun, threatadj which respectively contain the specific verbs, nouns and adjectives for the theme threat.

This implies that the corpus is able to differentiate nouns, adjectives and verbs in a theme. We have the two concepts semantics and syntax mixed together.

If we look at the sentence "it may / can / might / will / could be your last" (please refer to line 1030 in the Appendix E), the sentence is made of the classes "subvbe" and "threatnoun" which are associated together in a sequence. The class subvbe (Please refer to Appendix E line 117) is containing the phrases which are composed by a subject, an auxiliary and a verb like "it may be" for example. The second part, threatnoun is containing specific nouns, which are involved in the threat theme (Please refer to Appendix E line 606) like "your\_last".

As specified in part 6.1.2, performance was really slow because of the complexity of this corpus and that is why the idea of building such a complex corpus was abandoned.

The idea of classifying the corpus in this way was a good idea to show how to deal with a complex speech structure and how to classify it and the problems that were raised.

## 4.5 Final version of the Corpus

It has been decided that the classification of the themes will be fully managed at the templates level. The final version of the corpus is based on plain text sentences and alternatives.

The final version of the corpus is about 300 sentences (without alternatives) and contains a dictionary of 400 words.

An excerpt of the final version of the corpus is available in Appendix F.

The final corpus is containing 3 classes: ACTOR, TITLE and AUXILIARY as well as alternatives and optional (Please refer to appendix F line 10).

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If we look at this example: "You are just a stupid secret agent" seq(
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<PRONOUN> "are" opt( "just" "nothing_but" )opt "a" alt( "silly" "dumb"
"stupid" )alt alt( "secret_agent" "policeman" )alt
)seq
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Using optional and alternatives a sentence can be said in many different ways which make the system flexible. In this example we can have 18 different ways to say the sentence :

you are a silly policeman. you are a stupid policeman. you are a dumb policeman. you are a silly secret agent. you are a stupid secret agent. you are a dumb secret agent. you are just a silly secret agent. you are just a stupid secret agent. you are just a dumb secret agent. you are just a silly policeman. you are just a stupid policeman. you are just a dumb policeman. you are nothing but a silly secret agent. you are nothing but a stupid secret agent. you are nothing but a dumb secret agent. you are nothing but a silly policeman. you are nothing but a stupid policeman. you are nothing but a dumb policeman.

Another issue was raised while testing this version of the corpus during the template tests. Indeed, the system is clearly better at recognizing group of words than isolated words.

In the previous example, defining the utterances as "you\_are\_just", "you\_are\_nothing \_but", "a\_stupid\_policeman", "a\_silly\_secret\_agent" and etcetera, will improve the accuracy of the system. That is why in the prototype version of the corpus, group of words are defined rather than isolated words.

# Chapter 5

# **Embedding in Unreal**

## 5.1 The aim of the templates

The system is using the ear SDK (©BabelTech), as a platform to transform speech recognition utterances into speech acts appropriate for the Artificial Intelligence planning layer. To provide suitable speech acts, templates have to be implemented by defining sentence/action-based pattern.

There are two different types of templates used for different purposes:

The speech acts templates define speech acts recognized by the ear SDK. Its structure consists in classes, which contain words or specific phrases linked to a specific act. The matching templates define sentences using speech act template classes. Thus, once generated and recognized these acts can be used to modify the unreal scenario.

## 5.2 Implementing the templates

## 5.2.1 The structure

The templates are managed into two natural language understanding (.nlu) files. The first one "templates.nlu" is defining the relation between words or group of words recognized by the ear SDK and the speech acts. In this file the first part is to declare a set of main speech acts representing the themes defined in section 4.3 as follow:

enum E\_SentenceClass { eSA\_INTRO eSA\_AGREEANS eSA\_GREETHI eSA\_GREETBY eSA\_THANKS eSA\_DENIAL eSA\_THREAT eSA\_COMPLAINS eSA\_INCRED eSA\_ADVICE eSA\_CHALLENGE eSA\_MISUNDER eSA\_DRINKS eSA\_OFFENSIVE eSA\_DISAGREEACT eSA\_GUNDROPING eSA HANDSOHEADS eSA\_MOVOUT eSA\_AGREEACT eSA\_COMPLIMENT eSA\_DISAGREEANS eSA\_ROMANCE

};

Those speech acts consist into an enumeration of classes in which the order is predefined to allow the speech act dispatcher to recognize speech acts only identified by enum numbers.

As the ear SDK is sending speech recognition data using UDP, it increases the performance of the system, indeed, instead of sending long text data, only the identifier number of those classes is sent. Another series of enumeration list is necessary to identify sub speech acts classes.

For instance, if we have the theme Drinks, this main theme will be Drinks and the sub speech acts classes will be eDrinkSake, eDrinkMartini and etcetera to allow the speech dispatcher to associate specific acts to expression pronounced by the user:

enum E\_Drink { eDrinksake eDrinkVodka eDrinkStir eDrinkMartini };

Using this methodology, the system is able to identify specific acts, which is primordial in such an environment. The last part of the templates file is about the definition of all the words or group of words that correspond to a specific theme and sub speech act classes. In our case drinks we have:

template tDrink =

"sake" eDrinksake [] +

"vodka" eDrinkVodka [] +

"stirred" eDrinkStir [] +

"martini" eDrinkMartini [];

The series of enumeration eDrink<sup>\*</sup> is linked to the main speech act theme eSA\_Drinks. Here is a chart describing the above example:

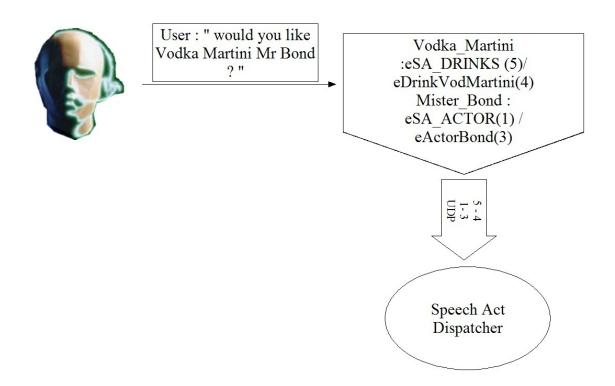


Figure 5.1: Chart describing the processing of the templates

There is a second natural language understanding file (sentences.nlu) that aims at defining and build all the sentences that was defined previously in the corpus. Each sentence is identified by:

• A unique number.

- The speech act the sentence is referring to (e.g. eSA\_DRINKS).
- The name of the template used itself (e.g. tDrink).

Using this methodology, the system is not only able to recognize the main theme but can also recognize sub utterances within a given theme.

### 5.2.2 First version of the templates and problems raised

The first version of the templates was based upon the general idea of associating a word to a speech act as described in the previous section and was aimed at having a better knowledge of the system.

The first version of the templates is dealing with the all the themes described before (Please refer to 5.2.1 and 4.3).

An excerpt of the implementation of this first version is available in Appendix G. Let us take as an example the sentence "it is insulting to think i haven t anticipated your every move" (Please refer to Appendix G (Source Code Line 429)): sentence s0156 =

eSA\_COMPLAINS

[ "it" "is" tCompl "to" "think " "i" "havent " "anticipated " " your " "every" "move "]

[ ^tDenials ];

The word which recognized the speech act in this example is "insulting" which is defined as eComplinsult ((Please refer to Appendix G (Source Code Line 299)). The first problem raised was that if the system does not recognize the word "insulting" the sentence was not validated.

Although some of the sentences were validated by the system, the system was recognizing words defined with double quote as isolated words (Please refer to 6.2.2 Testing Results). This gave low accuracy results.

A lot of errors occurred also because of the case sensitivity of the language, the templates have to reflect exactly the corpus.

The above problems played a role also on the meaning of the sentences; indeed during the first test session a lot of sentences were meaningless.

### 5.2.3 Design of the templates

The flexibility of the templates and the meaning of the sentences to be output are the key points in this part.

As specified in the article of the magazine EDN:

"In general, sentences are easier to recognize than words, given that a sentence has more variation from other sentences than words do from words. Longer responses, such as "Buy stocks" or "View my portfolio," are easier to recognize than shorter ones, such as "Buy" or "View".

Nicolas Cravotta. Speech recognition it's not what you say; it's how you say it[6].

To avoid the problems specified in the previous part we have to consider that group of words are better recognized by the system than isolated words.

Analysing all the sentences to see what they have grammatically in common was the first step.

Let us consider the theme denials as an example for this part. If we look at the sentences which are in the theme Denials (Please refer to Appendix H line ) we can see that we can split the sentences into two main parts. The beginning of the sentences, which is grammatically important, but with no meaning and the second part of the sentences that will identify the speech act.

If we look at those sentences :

- Why would you like to know Why would you like to know Why are you interested Why do you care sentence s0082 = eSA\_DENIALS [tstartQuestw tDenialsProp] [^tstartQuestw ^tDenialsProp];
- Why do you care,Mr Bond Why would you like to know,Mr Bond Why are you interested Mr Bond (Appendix H line 488) sentence s0083 = eSA\_DENIALS [ tstartQuestw tDenialsProp tActor] [ ^tstartQuestw ^tDenialsProp ^tActor ];

The first part of the sentences is starting by a question word associated with a verb and the second part is a group of words that defines the meaning of the sentence. It is this group of words that as to be linked to the speech act.

To do so, a template which contains the question tags which starts by "W" was created. This part includes group of words such as "why\_are", "why\_do" and etcetera. The second part will consist of large group of words, which are defined in the template Denials Propositions. This template contains the expression "are\_you\_interested", "you\_care", "you\_like\_to\_know".

The interesting bit here is that if the first part of the sentence is unfortunately unrecognised by the system, the second part is meaningful without his first part. As specified in the part structure (Please see 5.2.1), although those expressions are in the same template, an enumeration type identifies them. For example for the expression "you\_like\_know", it will be recognized as Denials proposition and also as a "eDenialKnow". The Figure 5.2 describes the process the templates in the prototype version of the templates.

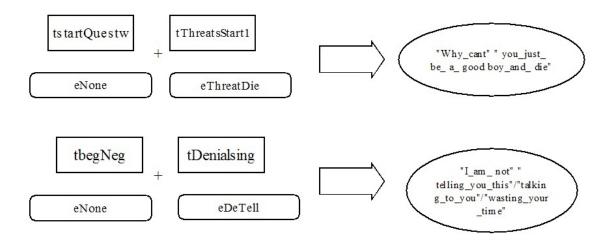


Figure 5.2: Templates Processing Chart

As the figure 5.2 shows it, the first part of the sentence in the first example on the figure is tstartQuestw containing all the appropriate question tags which start with a W (Please refer to appendix H Line 313), and the second part tThreatsStart1 which contains specific threat theme long expressions(Please refer to appendix H Line 225).

A Class definition diagram of all the classes embedded in the prototype version is available in Appendix I. This diagram is describing the whole templates definition of the prototype.

## Chapter 6

# Testing and refinement

## 6.1 Testing the Corpus

## 6.1.1 Efficiency testing techniques

Several tests have been done on the corpus using the ©BabelTech Lex Editor and a microphone. The tests were based on telling all the sentences that were in the corpus using a microphone. By testing all the sentences and writing the result in a table an average of the number of the sentence recognized on one hundred was produced.

### 6.1.2 Testing results

• Thematic based grammar Corpus Test: The first problem encountered during this test was the delay between the pronunciation of a sentence and the recognition. The delay was about one minute; the recognition was too long because of the complexity of the corpus structure. This problem was caused by a too much use of the operating system resources, when the system is loading and recognizing speech the central processing unit was 100 per cent. On 100 sentences only 35 was recognized without errors. Again because of the complexity of the structure the system gets quickly confused. For example if the user says the sentence "Failure is not tolerate" the system recognized "amusement a date of".

#### • Final corpus version Test:

By decreasing the structure of the corpus, the performance of the system was better than before. Indeed the recognition delay was about 1 to 2 seconds, and the CPU usage never reached 100 per cent, it was about 50 to a maximum of 90 per cent during the recognition process. On 100 sentences an average of 65 sentences was recognized depending on the complexity of the sentences. However the main reason of the speech recognition errors was caused by the isolated words structure in the corpus.

• Test on the Latest version of the corpus used for the current prototype:

During the last test the system was able to recognize an average of 75 sentences on 100. Structuring the corpus by group of words was the solution to the problems encountered in the previous tests. Indeed, we have a better recognition because there were no conflicts anymore between the isolated words.

#### 6.2 Testing the templates

#### 6.2.1 Efficiency testing techniques

The first point was to compiled the two natural language understanding (".nlu") files using an application called Natlang provided by Mr. Steven Mead. The application aims at debugging the code and checking the validity of the sentence by typing them within the keyboard as illustrated by the Figure 6.1.

In this example, the expression "hello" and "hello mister\_bond" are valid sentences. The application is displaying relevant information on the recognized speech acts: The classification field is indicating the main speech acts of the sentence in this case [2]. It corresponds to eSA\_GREETHI (greetings). The template number, which in our case is 9 and corresponds to "tGreetHi". And finally the instance which contains the specific speech act "eGreethiHi". After this first testing was done another important test was to use a test application provided by Fred Charles. The first step was to export the finite state grammar of the corpus into an ear application, then specifying the path of the templates file. After that the application launches the ear sdk

- * T	estNATLANG *
- FOR HELP TYPE: /hel	p
[Console] > /load spe Script Message: FILE:	echmain.nlu templates.nlu
There were no errors.	
[Console] > hello	
ORDERED INFORMATION	
Sentence Classificati Context: [Class: (9),	
[UTTERANCE WAS VALIDA [Console] > hello mis	
ORDERED INFORMATION	
Sentence Classificati Context: [Class: (9), Context: [Class: (6),	Instance: (1)]
[UTTERANCE WAS VALIDA [Console] >	TED]

Figure 6.1: NatLang Screen Shot

system and unreal. After by using a microphone the aim is to pronounce all the sentences provided in the templates and see if they are all properly recognized.

A screenshot of the application is available in Appendix I.

The application is able to provide log files to display a description of the sentences well recognized and validated by the system. This application was really helpful to improve the design of the templates.

#### 6.2.2 Testing results

• Test on the first version of the templates :

Small expressions like "hello", "I agree" were well recognized. But all the complex or even normal sentences were confusing the system. For example "I want to know that", was implemented as follow: "I" "want" "to" "know" tDenials "that".

Again the system is confused by isolated words.

• Test on the latest version of the templates used for the current prototype:

The latest version of the templates based on the part design of the templates is structured by group of words. All the sentences were well recognized with an average of about 77 sentences recognized on 100.

#### 6.3 Outcome

Currently the system has appreciable recognition accuracy (77%). The accuracy can be improved by sub-categorizing again the class Sentence in the templates (Example: tbegGeneBe and etcetera (Appendix I, SENTENCE)) to allow a better validation of the sentences by the system.

For example, if we take the sentence "Why\_cant" "you\_just\_be\_a\_good \_boy\_and\_die".

The sequence "why\_cant" (Appendix H.1, line 313) is included in the class tstartQuestw which also contains other sequences like "what\_are "," whats " and etcetera.

That means in some rare cases the sentence "what\_are" "you\_just\_be\_a\_good \_boy\_and\_die" can be recognized by the system as a valid sentence.

Even if the system will validate the sentence in the right way by recognizing the relevant speech acts defined by the phrase "you\_just\_be\_a\_ good

\_boy\_ and\_die" the sentence is not grammatically correct.

By subcategorising the class tstartQuestw the syntax of the sentence can be better parsed.

Although the system can still produced in some cases grammatically invalid sentences, it is recognizing the relevant speech acts most of the time, which is more important in such a system.

The flexibility of the system can be improved as well by extending the prototype corpus and the prototype templates using the final version of the corpus produced previously.

#### Chapter 7

## Conclusion

We have presented a vocal interface to a computer animation system and methodologies to build such an interface.

A research on Speech recognition systems and Natural language methodologies has been done as well as a review of the use of Natural language in an interactive storytelling system. Several methodologies have been implemented and tested to see which one can provide the best output.

A working prototype version based on six themes has been produced with an average of 77% sentences well recognized and validated by the system (Please refer to 6.2.2). However, the prototype could be extent to twenty themes. Some part of the templates definition can be improved (Please refer to 6.2.3) for the system to better parse the syntax.

A corpus has been as well produced containing 20 themes, 300 sentence and 400 words in the dictionary.

The final step consists in extending the templates by adding the alternatives included in the final version of the corpus in order to make the system even more flexible.

The constraints that have had to be considered are that to build a specific vocal interface to a computer animation system, a complex syntactic grammar structure is not required.

However, it could have been pertinent to reuse a pre-built English grammar definition to parse the sentences.

But building such a complex grammar alone was not appropriate due to the time schedule of the project, it requires more time.

#### CHAPTER 7. CONCLUSION

The accuracy of the system is based upon three key points, the flexibility and the size of the corpus, the way of dealing with the speech acts and the structure of the sentences.

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#### Appendix A

## **Project** specification

Development of a vocal interface to a computer animation system.

The objective of the project is to produce a speech recognition grammar that aims at improving the communication between the user and the machine within an animation system.

It will improve the way the user is communicating with virtual characters in a video game like environment.

The speech recognition grammar will be built using the Babel lexicon editor (©BabelTech ).

The speech recognition grammar has to be implemented to manage whatever the game is, or the software that uses the grammar is. Thus, the grammar has to contain all the English basic words (like auxiliary, standard verbs and etcetera).

The first thing to do is to analyse how the English grammar and typical sentences are built, and examine how to build simple sentences within the lexicon editor: this is the analysis phase.

An analysis of the linguistic processing using by the Interactive Storytelling System has to be done as well in order to be aware of what the ISS needs. The design phase will consist of defining how to create a Finite State Grammar template which will contain all the grammar rules and definitions into classes, so grammar rules has to be defined. During this phase several charts have to be done to explain how the words are linked together or not.

Once the design is done, it has to be validated and tested to prevent post failure in the next steps of the project.

The Implementation phase will use previous research work to implement the FSG template.

The testing and refinement step will, refine and test if the FSG file is correct, and it aims to detect any errors and correct them.

The animation system that will be used for the end test will be the Interactive Storytelling System used by the university.

If time permits it, a tool will be implemented to allow the user to dynamically change the FSG file without being compelled to write any FSG code. The final report will be written ongoing the project.

The minimum objective of my project is to produce a flexible speech recognition grammar template to be used by an animation system.

Proposed time schedule: Analysis - 3 weeks Design and Interim Report - 6 weeks Implementation - 6 weeks Testing and Refinement - 5 weeks Writing Report - 2 weeks

## Appendix B

## BabelTech Lexicon Editor screenshot

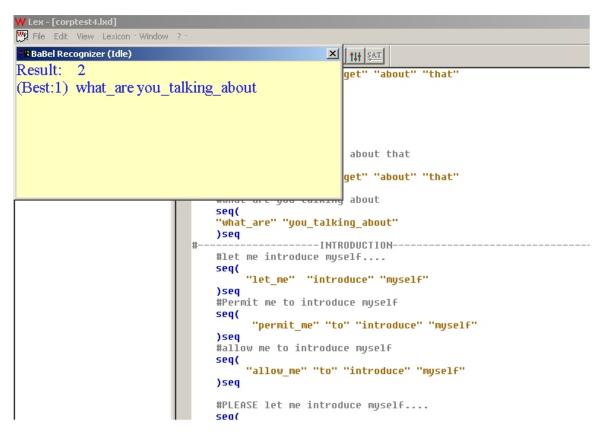


Figure B.1: Babel Tech Lexicon Editor Screenshot

## Appendix C

## Excerpt of the syntactic based Corpus

C.1 Grammar Definition

... <ARTICLE> = 10 11 alt( the 12 13a )alt; 14<PREPOSITION> = 15alt( 16seq( 17alt( 1819next of 20 $^{21}$ to 22on 23in 24with 25for against 2627)alt )seq 28)alt; 29<NOUN> = 30 alt( 31 32opt( <QUANTIFIER> ) opt 33 34opt( <ARTICLE>) opt opt( <CARDINAL >) opt 35chance 36 37ppk good 38 39 men 40women  $^{41}$ time 42sense 43form

"name\_s" 4445no 46last 47witticism policeman 4849mister information 5051sex violence 5253gun )alt; 5455<SUBJECT> = 5657alt( it 5859Ι 60 you we 61 62they )alt; 63 64<PRONOUN> = 65alt( 66 67my me 68 69 your 70myself 71us )alt; 7273<VERB> =alt( 74 75have 76hope 77fail admiring 78dreaming 7980 be 81 expect 82 die choose 83 introduce 84 let 85 allow 86 87 see 88 buy 89 located give 90 finding 9192talking 93 go  $^{94}$ corpses misjudged 95come 96 97going 98 need )alt; 99 100 <ADVERB> = 101 alt( each 102always 103 104 absolutely 105well 106 carefully unfortunately 107108never 109 only 110 )alt; 111 <ADJECTIVE> = 112 alt(

opt( <ARTICLE>) opt 113opt( <CARDINAL>) opt 114opt( <QUANTIFIER>) opt 115116 "fifty\_fifty" 117golden 118gratuitous 119 my 120nice 121stupid 122 just )alt; 123124 <AUXILIARY> = 125alt( be 126127 been 128could 129 have can are 130 131132must 133 am 134 )alt; 135<CONJUCTION> = 136alt( 137and )alt; 138 139<CARDINAL >= 140 141alt( first 142second 143 144one )alt; 145146 <COUNTRY>= 147148alt( 149 Japan 150)alt; <NAME> =151152alt( Bond 153154 James James\_Bond 155Ernst\_Stravo\_Blodfeld 156)alt; 157158<QUANTIFIER> = 159160alt( 161some )alt; 162#Nominal Compliment 163<NC>= 164165seq( rep( 166opt( <ADJECTIVE> )opt 167168)rep <NOUN> 169170 rep( opt( <NOUN> )opt 171 )rep 172opt( <NAME> )opt 173 174)seq; 175#Nominal Phrase <NP>= 176177seq( 178 179rep( opt( <ADJECTIVE> )opt 180 )rep 181

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<NOUN>
182
          rep( opt( <NOUN> )opt )rep
183
184
185
    )seq;
186
    #Preposition Phrase
187
    <PP>=
188
189
     seq(
        -
<PREPOSITION>
190
191
          alt(
              opt( <AUXILIARY> )opt
192
              <VERB>
193
              alt( <COUNTRY>
194
195
                      <NC>
                      <NP>
196
197
             )alt
198
             )alt
         opt( <ADVERB>) opt
199
200
     )seq;
    #Verbal Phrase
201
    <VP>=
202
203
    seq(
        opt( <ADVERB> )opt
opt( <SUBJECT> )opt
204
205
        opt( <ADVERB> )opt
206
        opt( <AUXILIARY> ) opt
207
208
        <VERB>
209
        )seq;
210
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C.2 Some sentences examples
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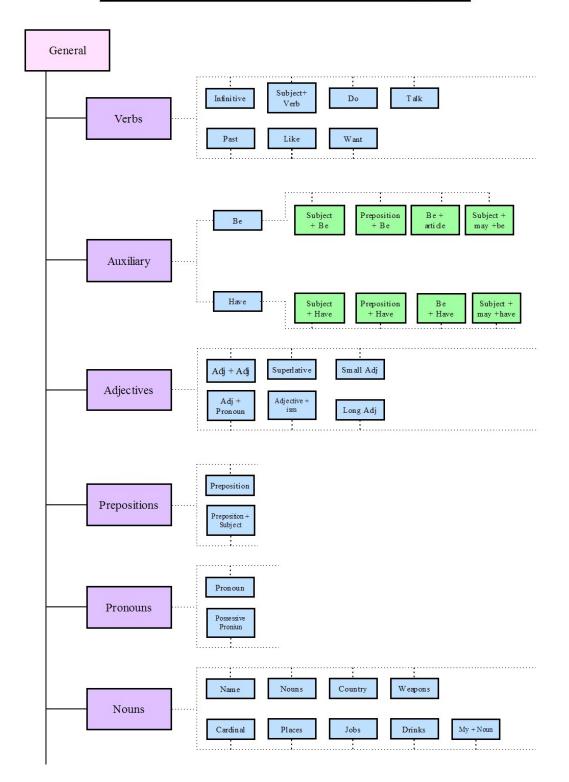
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# Choose your next witticism carefully mr bond, it could be your last.
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261
         seq(
          <VP>
262
          PRONOUN >
263
264
          <PP>
265
          )seq
266
267
          seq(
          <VP>
268
269
           <PRONOUN>
           <NOUN>
270
          )seq
271
272
    #no mr bond I expect you to die
273
             seq(
274
               <NC>
275
           <VP>
           <SUBJECT>
276
277
           <PP>
278
             )seq
279
    # allow me to introduce myself, I am ernt stqvro blofeld
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                 seq(
          <VP>
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293       seq(         294 <noun>         295       <pp>         296       <subject>         297       <nc>         298       )seq         299          300       seq(         301       <vp>         302       <vp>         303       <pp>         304       <conjuction>         305       <noun>         306       )seq</noun></conjuction></pp></vp></vp></nc></subject></pp></noun>		and violence										
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305 <noun>       306     )seq</noun>	303	<pp></pp>										
306 )seq	304	<conjuction></conjuction>										
•	305	<noun></noun>										
307	306	)seq										
	307											

## Appendix D

# FSG definition Chart (Complex Corpus)



Finite State Grammar Entities Diagram

Figure D.1: Finite State Grammar Definition Chart

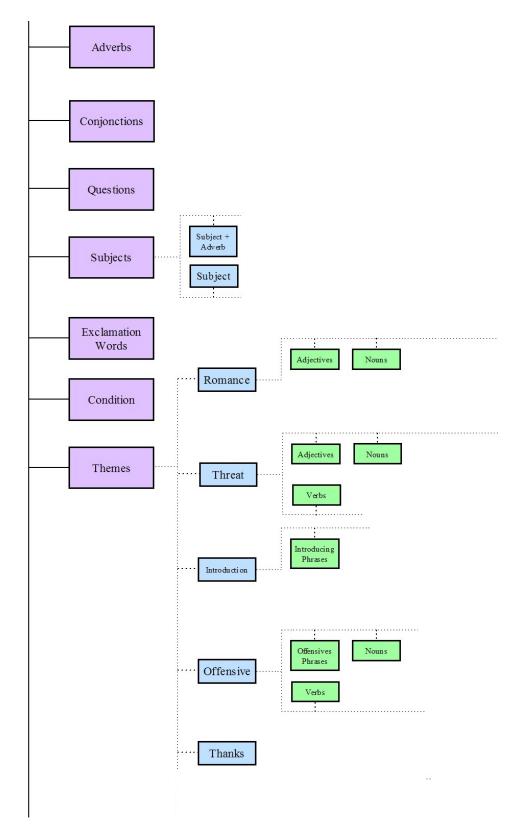


Figure D.2: Finite State Grammar Definition Chart

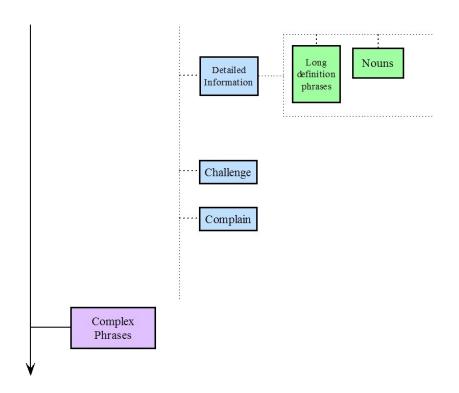


Figure D.3: Finite State Grammar Definition Chart

#### Appendix E

## Thematic based corpus excerpt

#### E.1 Some grammar rules definition examples

11 <name>=
12 alt(
13 Colonel\_ourumov 14 to\_think Bond 15James 16 James\_Bond Ernst\_Stravo\_Blodfeld Domino Tanaka Tiger 17 181920  $^{21}$ 222324 )alt; 25 #Preposition 26 <prep>= 27 alt( 28 that 29 next 30 of 31 to 32 on 33 in
34 in\_the 35 with 36 for 37against 38 from 39 )alt; 40 #prep + sub 41 <prepcomb>= 42 alt( 43 for\_this 44 in\_the 45 to\_the 46 with\_your47 for\_me 48 to\_you

49 to\_me 50 without\_me 51 with\_me 52 with\_you 53 each\_of )alt; 5455 <adjectiveism>=
56 alt( witticism 5758 )alt; 59 #Adjectives combination 60 <adjcomb>= 61 alt( 62 unpleasant\_surprise63 fatal\_weakness 64 simple 65 very\_simple
66 )alt; 6768 <condition>=
69 alt( 70 if\_he 71 if\_you 72)alt; 73 # to be :: Subject + be 74 <subbe>= 75alt( 76 you\_will 77 ythey\_are
78 this\_is 79 I\_was 80 it\_is 81 I\_am 82 I\_am\_not 83 you\_are 84 you\_are\_that 85 you\_were 86 )alt; 87 # preposition + be 88 <prepbe>= 89 alt( 90 just\_be that\_are 91who\_are 92)alt; 93  $^{94}$ 95 # to be :: be + word 96 <iscomb>= 97 alt( 98 is\_quite 99 is\_not 100 is\_always
101 is\_the 102 is

...

117 # Subject proba auxiliary
118 <subvbe>=
119 alt(
120 it\_will\_be
121 it\_could\_be
122 it\_might\_be
123 it\_can\_be
124 it\_may\_be
125 )alt;

231	<subverb>=</subverb>
232	alt(
233	I_said
234	I_expect
235	he_promises
236	I_beg
237	they_belong_to
238	you_have_lost
239	it_may_help
240	it_might_help
241	it_can_help
242	you_cant
243	you_mustnt
244	we_couldnt
245	we_wont
246 246	we_will_not
247	we_cant
248	we_cannot
249	I_could
250	I_can
251	I_think
252	you_think
253	you_know
254	it_will_help
255	you_get
256	men_always_come
257	women_come
258	)alt;
259	,,
260	
200	
961	<pre>/advarb &gt;=</pre>
261	<adverb>=</adverb>
262	alt(
262 263	alt( slowly
262 263 264	alt( slowly always
262 263 264 265	alt( slowly always again
262 263 264	alt( slowly always again totally
262 263 264 265	alt( slowly always again
262 263 264 265 266	alt( slowly always again totally each always
262 263 264 265 266 266	alt( slowly always again totally each
262 263 264 265 266 267 268	alt( slowly always again totally each always
262 263 264 265 266 267 268 269	alt( slowly always again totally each always absolutely well
262 263 264 265 266 267 268 269 270	alt( slowly always again totally each always absolutely
262 263 264 265 266 267 268 269 270 271	alt( slowly always again totally each always absolutely well carefully
262 263 264 265 266 267 268 269 270 271 272	alt( slowly always again totally each always absolutely well carefully unfortunately never
262 263 264 265 266 267 268 269 270 271 272 273 273 274	<pre>alt( slowly always again totally     each     always     absolutely     well     carefully     unfortunately     never     completely</pre>
262 263 264 265 266 267 268 269 270 271 272 273 274 275	alt( slowly always again totally each always absolutely well carefully unfortunately never completely only
262 263 264 265 266 267 268 269 270 271 272 273 274 275 276	alt( slowly always again totally each always absolutely well carefully unfortunately never completely only too
262 263 264 265 266 267 268 269 270 271 272 273 274 275 276 277	<pre>alt( slowly always again totally     each     always     absolutely     well     carefully     unfortunately     never         completely     only     too )alt;</pre>
262 263 264 265 266 267 268 269 270 271 272 273 274 275 276 277 278	<pre>alt( slowly always again totally     each     always     absolutely     well     carefully     unfortunately     never         completely     only     too )alt; <conj>=</conj></pre>
262 263 264 265 266 267 268 269 270 271 272 273 274 275 276 277 278 279	<pre>alt( slowly always again totally     each     always     absolutely     well     carefully     unfortunately     never         completely     only     too )alt; <conj>= alt(</conj></pre>
262 263 264 265 266 267 268 269 270 271 272 273 274 275 276 277 278 279 280	<pre>alt( slowly always again totally     each     always     absolutely     well     carefully     unfortunately     never         completely     only     too )alt; <conj>= alt( or</conj></pre>
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262 263 264 265 266 267 268 269 270 271 272 273 274 275 276 277 278 279 280 281 282	<pre>alt( slowly always again totally     each     always     absolutely     well     carefully     unfortunately     never         completely     only     too )alt; <conj>= alt( or and that</conj></pre>
262 263 264 265 266 267 268 269 270 271 272 273 274 275 276 277 278 279 280 281	<pre>alt( slowly always again totally     each     always     absolutely     well     carefully     unfortunately     never         completely     only     too )alt; <conj>= alt( or and that for</conj></pre>
262 263 264 265 266 267 268 269 270 271 272 273 274 275 276 277 278 279 280 281 282	<pre>alt( slowly always again totally each always absolutely well carefully unfortunately never completely only too )alt; <conj>= alt( or and that for but</conj></pre>
262 263 264 265 266 267 268 269 270 271 272 273 274 275 276 277 278 279 280 281 282 283	<pre>alt( slowly always again totally each always absolutely well carefully unfortunately never completely only too )alt; <conj>= alt( or and that for but just_for</conj></pre>
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262 263 264 265 266 267 268 269 270 271 272 273 274 275 276 277 278 279 280 281 282 283 284 285 286	<pre>alt( slowly always again totally each always absolutely well carefully unfortunately never completely only too )alt; <conj>= alt( or and that for but just_for )alt;</conj></pre>

#### E.2 Specific theme grammar definition

```
591 #Threat
592 <threatvb>=
593 alt(
594
    toss
595 kill_me
596 Throw_down
597
    Fire
598
        fail
599
       )alt;
600 <threatadj>=
601 alt(
602 fifty_fifty
603 a_fifty_fifty
604
    stupid
       )alt;
605
606 <threatnoun>=
607 alt(
608 you_fool
609 the_limbs
610 failure
611 your_last
612
       )alt;
```

...

E.3 Some sentences examples from the Threat Theme

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```
#-----threats-----
973
974
    <THREAT>=
975 Alt(
976 #you will die for this
977 seq(
    <subbe>
978
    <iverb>
979
980
    <prepcomb>
981 )seq
982 #threat
983
    #you are mine now
984 seq(
985
    <subbe>
    <pronposs>
986
    <times>
987
988 )seq
989 #your fatal weakness
990 seq(
991 <pronoun>
992 <adjcomb>
```

993	) seq						
994	#Why cant you just be a good boy and die?						
995	seq (						
996	<whquestst></whquestst>						
997	<prepbe></prepbe>						
998	<goodness></goodness>						
999	<conj></conj>						
1000	<iverb></iverb>						
1001	) seq						
1002	#you were supposed to die for me						
1003	seq(						
1004	<subbe></subbe>						
1005	<pret></pret>						
1006	<toverb></toverb>						
1007	<prepcomb></prepcomb>						
1008	) seq						
1009	#but sorry						
1010	seq (						
1011	<conj></conj>						
1012	<nouns></nouns>						
1013	opt (						
1014	<name></name>						
1015	) opt						
1016	) seq						
1017							
1018	#Choose/pick your next witticism carefully Mr Bond,						
1019	seq(						
1020	<iverb></iverb>						
1021	<pronoun></pronoun>						
1022	<prep></prep>						
1023	<adjectiveism></adjectiveism>						
1024	<adverb></adverb>						
1025	opt(						
1026	<name></name>						
1027	)opt						
1028	) seq						
1029							
1030	<pre>#it may/can/might/will/could be your last</pre>						
1031	<b>,</b> ,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,						
1032	seq (						
1033	<subvbe></subvbe>						
1034	<pre><threatnoun></threatnoun></pre>						
1035	) seq						
1036	$\sim 1$						

#### Appendix F

#### Corpus final version excerpt

#### F.1 Classes Definitions

10 <TITLE> = 11 alt( 12"mister" "miss" 13 14 )alt; 15 <PRONOUN> = 16 alt( "I" 17"you" 18"he" 19 "she" 20"we" 21"you" 2223"they" 24 )alt; 25 <AUXILIARY> = 26 alt( "could" 27"would" 28"am" 29"is" 30 31"are" "do" 32 "will" 33 "may" 34"might" 35 )alt; 36 37 <NEGATION> = 38 seq( opt( <AUXILIARY> )opt 39 40 alt( "not"  $^{41}$ 42)alt 43 )seq; 44 <ACTOR> = 45seq( opt( <TITLE> )opt 4647alt(

```
      48
      "james_bond"

      49
      "bond"

      50
      "double_ouseven"

      51
      "goldfinger"

      52
      )alt

      53
      )seq;
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#### F.2 Denial Theme

#----DENIAL 57-----58#How would I know, Mr Bond 5960 seq( 61 "how\_would" <PRONOUN> "know" opt( <ACTOR> )opt )seq 6263 #How would I be aware of that, Mr Bond 6465 66 seq( "how\_would" <PRONOUN> "be" "aware" "of" "that" opt( <ACTOR> 67 )opt 68 )seq 69 #I don't\_have\_a\_clue 7071seq( "I" "don\_t" "have" "a" alt( "clue" "hint" )alt 727374)seq 75#I don't  $_{\sqcup}$  have  $_{\sqcup}a_{\sqcup}$  clue 7677 seq( "I" "don\_t" "have" "a" "clue" "of" "what" "you" "are" " 78talking" "about" )seq 79 #I have no idea 80 81 seq( <PRONOUN> "have no idea" 82 83 )seq 84 #I would not know 85 86 seq( <PRONOUN> <NEGATION> "know" 87 )seq 88 89 #I could not tell you 90  $^{91}$ seq( <PRONOUN> <NEGATION> "tell" <PRONOUN> 92)seq 93 9495 #Do you seriously think I would tell you 96 97 seq( "do" "you" "seriously" "think" <PRONOUN> "would" "tell" < 98

PRONOUN >

99		)seq
100		#I am not telling you this
101		seq (
102		<pre><pronoun> <negation> "telling" <pronoun> alt( "this" "that"</pronoun></negation></pronoun></pre>
	)alt	
103		)seq
104		
105		#Why would I tell you
106		seq (
107		"why would" < PRONOUN > "tell" < PRONOUN >
108		) seq
109		#I am not talking to you, Mr Bond
110		seq (
111		<pre><pronoun> <negation> "talking" "to" <pronoun> opt( <actor> )</actor></pronoun></negation></pronoun></pre>
	opt	
112		)seq
113		#Why would I give you such informatio
114		<pre>seq(     "why" "would" <pronoun> "give" <pronoun> "such" "information</pronoun></pronoun></pre>
115		Why Would PRUNUON BIVE PRUNUON Such Information
116		)seq
117		/ 2004
117		
118		#This is no business of yours
120		seq (
121		"this" "is" "no" "business" "of" "yours"
122		)seq
123		#This is none of your business
124		seq (
125		"this" "is" "none" "of" "your" "business"
126		) seq
127		-
128		#It s not your business
129		seq (
130		"it" <negation> "your" alt( "business" "deal")alt</negation>
131		)seq
132		
133		
134		
135		#You're_wasting_your_time
136		seq (
137		<pronoun> "are" "wasting" "your" "time"</pronoun>
138		) seq
139		#You'reuwastingumyutime
140		seq(
141		<pronoun> "are" "wasting" "my" "time"</pronoun>
142		)seq
143		#You don'tuwantutouknow seq(
144		<pre>seq(      <pronoun> <negation> "want" "to" "know"</negation></pronoun></pre>
145 146		
146 147		)seq
$147 \\ 148$		#You are not serious
148 149		seq(
145		<pre><pronoun> <negation> alt("serious" "sincere" "honest")alt</negation></pronoun></pre>
150		)seq
152		#You are joking
153		seq (
154		<pre><pronoun> "are" "joking"</pronoun></pre>
155		) seq
156		#is it a joke ?
157		seq (
158		"is" "it" "a" "joke"
159		)seq
100		
160		#You must be joking
160		seq (
$\begin{array}{c} 160 \\ 161 \end{array}$		

```
#Are you serious, Mr Bond
165
166
             seq(
                      "are" <PRONOUN> "serious" opt( <ACTOR> )opt
167
168
             )seq
169
             #Why would you like to know
170
171
172
             seq(
                      "why_would" <PRONOUN> "like" "to" "know"
173
             )seq
174
175
             #Why do you care, Mr Bond
176
177
             seq(
                      "why_do" <PRONOUN> "care" opt( <ACTOR> )opt
178
             )seq
179
180
             #Why are you interested
181
             seq(
                      "why_are" <PRONOUN> "interested"
182
183
             )seq
             #Why do you want to know
184
185
             seq(
                      "why_do" <PRONOUN> "want" "to" "know"
186
             )seq
187
188
             # Why will I share this piece of information with you ?
189
190
             seq(
                      "why" "will" "i" "share" alt( "this_piece_of_information" "
191
     that" )alt "with" "you"
192
             )seq
193
             #I won t tell you 007
194
195
             seq(
                      <PRONOUN> "won_t" "tell" <PRONOUN>
196
             )seq
197
198
             # you are too curious bond
199
             seq(
                      "you" "are" "too" "curious" opt( <ACTOR> )opt
200
201
             )seq
202
             # are u sure you want to get involved in that ?
203
204
205
             seq(
                       "are" "you" "sure" "you" "want" "to" "get" "involved" "in"
206
     "that" opt( <ACTOR> )opt
             )seq
207
208
             #You are not able to know that
209
210
             seq(
211
              <PRONOUN> <NEGATION> "able" "to" "know" "that"
             )seq
212
213
             #You don t need to know that
214
             seq(
              <PRONOUN> "don t" "need" "to" "know" "that"
215
216
             )seq
217
             #I can t tell you
218
219
             seq(
             <PRONOUN> "can_t" "tell" <PRONOUN>
220
221
             )seq
222
             #It is confidential
223
224
             seq(
             "it" "is" alt( "confidential" "private" "secret" )alt
225
226
             )seq
227
228
229
             #Let s go down to business
230
             seq(
                      "lets" "get" "down" "to" "business"
231
```

232	)seq
233	
234	# It is not in your interest to know that
235	seq(
236	"it" "is" "not" "in" "your" alt( "interest" "concern" "
I	preoccupation" )alt "to" "know" "that"
237	) seq
238	
239	# you should not worry about that
240	seq(
241	"you" "should" "not" "worry" "about" "that"
242	)seq
243	
244	#don't <sub>u</sub> ask
245	seq(
246	"don_t" "ask"
247	)seq
248	#you 'd_better_forget_about_that
249	seq(
250	"you_d" "better" "forget" "about" "that"
251	)seq
252	#Which game are you playing ?
253	seq(
254	"which" "game" "are" "you" "playing"
255	)seq

## Appendix G

## Templates first version source code Excerpt

G.1 Templates First Version Definition Example

3	enum	<pre>E_SentenceClass {</pre>
4		eSA_INTRO
<b>5</b>		eSA_AGREEANS
6		eSA_GREETHI
7		eSA_GREETBY
8		eSA_THANKS
9		eSA_DENIAL
10		eSA_THREAT
11		eSA_COMPLAINS
12		eSA_INCRED
$^{13}$		eSA_ADVICE
14		eSA_CHALLENGE
15		eSA_MISUNDER
16		eSA_DRINKS
17		eSA_OFFENSIVE
18		eSA_DISAGREEACT
19		eSA_GUNDROPING
20		eSA_HANDSOHEADS
21		eSA_MOVOUT
22		eSA_AGREEACT
$^{23}$		eSA_COMPLIMENT
$^{24}$		eSA_DISAGREEANS
25		eSA_ROMANCE
26	};	
	•••	

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102 enum E\_Compl {

101

103		eCompludid
104		eCompldoneth
105		eComplome
106		eCompldare
107		eComplinsult
108		eComplno
109	};	
110		
111	enum	E_Incre {
112		eIncretrust
113		eIncresure
114		eIncrerely
115	};	
116		
117	enum	E_Adv {
118		eAdvatt
119		eAdvcare
120	};	
121		
122	enum	E_Chall {
123		eChallwarn
124		eChalldareu
125	};	
126		
127	enum	E_Misund {
128		eMisundsor
129		eMisundsay
130		eMisundrep
131	};	

292

293	/* Complains (8) */		
294	template tCompl	=	"you_did"
	eCompludid	[] +	
295		5 3 4	"did_you"
000	eCompludid	[]+	"done_that"
296	eCompldoneth	[]+	"done_that"
297	ecompidonein		"to me"
	eComplome	[] +	
298	-		"dare"
	eCompldare	[] +	
299	<b>a b b b c c c c c c c c c c</b>	5 3 4	"insulting"
300	eComplinsult	[] +	"nice_one"
300	eComplno	[];	nice_one
301	coompino	L J ,	
302	/* Incredulity (9) */		
303	template tIncre	=	"believe"
	eIncretrust	[] +	
304	eIncretrust [] +		"trust"
305	eincretrust [] +		"sure"
305	eIncresure [] +		Suic
306			"rely"
	eIncrerely [];		
307	· · · · · · · · · · · ·		
308	/* Advice (10) */		
309	template tAdv eAdvatt [] +	=	"attention"
310	eAdvatt [ ] +		"carefull"
010	eAdvcare	[];	
311		/	
312	/* Challenge (11) */		
313	template tChall	=	"warned"
	eChallwarn	[]+	

```
314
                                                       "dare_you"
            eChalldareu
                             [];
    /* Misunderstanding (12) */
315
    template tMisund
                                                       "sorry"
316
                                      =
            eMisundsor
                              [] +
317
                                                       "say_it"
                              [] +
             eMisundsay
318
                                                       "repeat"
             eMisundrep
                             [];
319
320
    ...
```

#### G.2 Sentences Examples : Complains, Incredulity, Advice, Challenge, Misunderstanding Themes

```
/*
372
     * Complains
373
374
375
376
    //Do you want to explain why you did that
377
    sentence s0056 =
378
379
             eSA_COMPLAINS
             [ "do" "you" "want" "to" "explain" "why" tCompl "that" ]
380
             [ ^tCompl ];
381
382
383
384
    //Would you mind explaining to me why did you that
385
    sentence s0057 =
            eSA_COMPLAINS
386
             [ "would" "you" "mind" "explaining" "to" "me" "why" tCompl "that" ]
387
             [ ^tCompl ];
388
389
390
391
392
    //Would you mind explaining to me Have you done that
    sentence s0058 =
393
             eSA_COMPLAINS
394
                "would" "you" "mind" "explaining" "to" "me" "why" "Have" "you"
395
             Ε
    tCompl ]
             [ ^tCompl ];
396
397
    //how could you do that to me
398
399
    sentence s0059 =
             eSA_COMPLAINS
400
             [ "how" "could" "you" "do" "that" tCompl ]
401
             [ ^tCompl ];
402
403
    //I can t believe you did that
404
405
    sentence s0060 =
             eSA_COMPLAINS
406
             [ "i" "cant" "believe" tCompl "that" ]
407
             [ ^tCompl ];
408
409
```

```
//How come you did that
410
     sentence s0061 =
411
              eSA_COMPLAINS
412
              [ "how" "come" tCompl "that" ]
[ ^tCompl ];
413
414
415
416
     //How come you ve done that
417
     sentence s0062 =
             eSA_COMPLAINS
418
              [ "how" "come" "you" "ve" tCompl ]
[ ^tCompl ];
419
420
421
422
423
     //How dare you
     sentence s0063 =
424
425
              eSA_COMPLAINS
426
              [ "how" tCompl "you" ]
              [ ^tCompl ];
427
428
     //it is insulting to think i haven t anticipated ur every move
429
430
     sentence s0064 =
              eSA_COMPLAINS
431
              [ "it" "is" tCompl "to" "think" "i" "havent" "anticipated" "your" "
432
     every" "move" ]
             [ ^tCompl ];
433
434
435
436
    //Nice one james
     sentence s0065 =
437
438
              eSA_COMPLAINS
              [ tCompl tActor ]
[ ^tCompl ^tActor ];
439
440
441
442
443
     /*
      Incredulity
444
445
    //I don t believe trust you
446
     sentence \ s0066 =
447
              eSA_INCRED
448
              [ "i" "dont" tIncre you ]
449
              [ ^tIncre ];
450
451
452
    //Are you sure ?
453
     sentence s0067 =
454
              eSA_INCRED
              [ "are" "you" tIncre ]
455
              [ ^tIncre ];
456
457
    //I can t rely on that mister bond
458
459
     sentence \ s0068 =
              eSA_INCRED
460
              [ "i" "cant" tIncre "on" "that" tActor ]
[ ^tIncre ^tActor ];
461
462
463
     */
464
     /*
465
      * Advice
466
      */
467
     sentence s0069 =
468
              eSA_ADVICE
469
              [ "Please" "pay" tAdv tActor ]
[ ^tAdv ^tActor ];
470
471
472
     sentence s0070 =
473
             eSA_ADVICE
474
              [ "be" tAdv tActor ]
[ ^tAdv ^tActor ];
475
476
477
```

```
478
479
      /*
      * Challenge
480
481
       */
482
483
     sentence s0071 =
              eSA_CHALLENGE
484
               [ "i" "tChall" "you" ]
[ ^tChall ];
485
486
487
488
    sentence s0072 =
489
               eSA_CHALLENGE
490
               [ "i" "double" tChall ]
[ ^tChall ];
491
492
493
494
     /*
      * Misunderstanding
495
496
      */
     //sorry
497
     sentence s0073 =
498
499
              eSA_MISUNDER
              [ tMisund ]
[ ^tMisund ];
500
501
    //Say it again please
502
    sentence s0074 =
503
               eSA_MISUNDER
504
               [ tMisund "again" "please" ]
[ ^tMisund ];
505
506
507
    //Repeat it please
508
509
    sentence s0075 =
510
              eSA_MISUNDER
              [ tMisund "it" "please" ]
[ ^tMisund ];
511
512
    // Repeat please
513
    sentence s0076 =
514
515
              eSA_MISUNDER
               [ tMisund "please" ]
[ ^tMisund ];
516
517
518
```

#### Appendix H

#### Templates source code excerpt

## H.1 Templates Definition Example : Denials and Threats

... /\* 5\* Enumerations 6 7\*/ enum E\_SentenceClass { 8 eSA\_INTRO 9 eSA\_AGREEANS 10eSA\_GREETHI 11 eSA\_GREETBY 12eSA\_THANKS 13eSA\_DENIALS 1415eSA\_THREAT eSA\_COMPLAINS 16 17eSA\_INCRED 18eSA\_ADVICE eSA\_CHALLENGE 19 eSA\_MISUNDER 20eSA\_DRINKS 21eSA\_OFFENSIVE 2223eSA\_DISAGREEACT eSA\_GUNDROPING 24eSA\_HANDSOHEADS 2526eSA\_MOVOUT 27eSA\_AGREEACT eSA\_COMPLIMENT 2829eSA\_DISAGREEANS eSA\_ROMANCE 30 }; 3132

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68		
69	enum	E_Denials {
70		eDeKnow
71		eDeTell
72		eDeThink
73		eDeBus
74		eDeJok
75		eDeConf
76		eDeWaste
77		eDeNever
78		eDeSer
79	};	
	•••	
81	enum	E Threats {
81 82	enum	E_Threats { eThreatDie
	enum	
82	enum	eThreatDie
82 83	enum	eThreatDie eThreatmnow
82 83 84	enum	eThreatDie eThreatmnow eThreatKill
82 83 84 85	enum	eThreatDie eThreatmnow eThreatKill eThreatWitt
82 83 84 85 86	enum	eThreatDie eThreatmnow eThreatKill eThreatWitt eThreatPick
82 83 84 85 86 87	enum	eThreatDie eThreatmnow eThreatKill eThreatWitt eThreatPick eThreatFight
82 83 84 85 86 87 88	enum	eThreatDie eThreatmnow eThreatKill eThreatWitt eThreatPick eThreatFight eThreatNow
82 83 84 85 86 87 88 89	enum	eThreatDie eThreatmnow eThreatKill eThreatWitt eThreatPick eThreatFight eThreatNow eThreatWeap
82 83 84 85 86 87 88 89 90	enum	eThreatDie eThreatmnow eThreatKill eThreatWitt eThreatPick eThreatFight eThreatNow eThreatWeap eThreatAtt
82 83 84 85 86 87 88 89 90 91	enum	eThreatDie eThreatmnow eThreatKill eThreatWitt eThreatPick eThreatFight eThreatNow eThreatWeap eThreatAtt eThreatBus
82 83 84 85 86 87 88 89 90 91 92	enum	eThreatDie eThreatmnow eThreatKill eThreatWitt eThreatPick eThreatFight eThreatNow eThreatWeap eThreatAtt eThreatBus eThreatHell

83	eThreatmnow
84	eThreatKill
85	eThreatWitt
86	eThreatPick
87	eThreatFight
88	eThreatNow
89	eThreatWeap
90	eThreatAtt
91	eThreatBus
92	eThreatHell
93	eThreatWait
94	eThreatChoice
95	eThreatWin
96	eThreatLast
97	eThreatMatter
98	};
99	

184

```
template tDenialsProp =
185
                                       "i_know"
                     eDeKnow [] +
                                       "i_know_that"
186
             eDeKnow [] +
187
                                       "i_give_you_such_information"
                      eDeInf [] +
                                       "you_like_to_know"
188
                                  eDeKnow [] +
                                       "you_care"
189
                                   eDeKnow [] +
"you_interested"
eDeKnow [] ;
190
191
192
     template tDenialsEnd =
                                        "tell"
193
             eDeTell [ ] +
                                        "tell_you"
194
             eDeTell [ ] +
                                        "know"
195
     eDeTell [ ] +
                                       "seriously_think"
196
             eDeThink
                            [];
197
198
     template tDenialsing
                             =
                                       "telling_you_this"
                     eDeTell [] +
                                       "talking_to_you"
199
                     eDeTell [ ] +
```

```
200
                                        "wasting_your_time"
                                       [ ] +
"wasting_my_time"
                      eDeWaste
201
                      eDeWaste
                                        [] +
                                          "you_talking_about"
202
             eDeTell [ ] ;
203
    template tDenialsExpr
                                       "no_business_of_yours"
                              =
204
                      eDeBus
                             []+
                                       "none_of_your_business"
205
                      eDeBus [] +
                                       "your_business"
206
             eDeBus [] +
207
                                       "serious"
                      eDeSer [] +
                                       "joking"
208
                      eDeJok [] +
209
                                       "able_to_know_that"
                      eDeKnow [] +
                                       "need_to_know_that"
210
                                           eDeKnow [] +
                                       "need_to_know"
211
                      eDeKnow [] +
                                       "want_to_know_that"
eDeKnow [] +
"want_to_know"
212
213
                      eDeKnow [] +
                                       "confidential"
214
                                                 eDeConf [] +
215
                                       "never_heard_of_it"
                                                 eDeNever [];
216
    ...
217
     /*
      * Threats (7)
218
219
220
    template tThreatsMid1
                                                  "gonna_die"
221
             eThreatDie
                               [] +
                                                  "mine_now"
222
                               [] +
             eThreatmnow
223
                                                  "you_now"
             eThreatmnow
                               [];
224
    template tThreatsStart1
                                                  "i_expect_you_to_die"
225
             eThreatDie
                               [] +
                                                  "you_just_be_a_good_boy_and_die"
226
         eThreatDie
                           [] +
                                                  "supposed_to_die_for_me"
227
                               [] +
             eThreatDie
                                                  "try_to_kill_me"
228
                          eThreatKill
                                             [] +
229
                                                              []+
                                                eThreatWitt
     choose_you_next_witticism_carefully"
                                                  "go_and_pick_it_up"
230
                       eThreatPick
                                         [];
231
232
    template tThreatsFight
                                                  "to_fight"
                                       =
233
             eThreatFight
                               [] +
                                                  "lets_fight"
234
             eThreatFight
                               [];
235
    template tThreatsNow
                                                  "right_now"
236
                               [];
             eThreatNow
```

237

238	template tThreatsWeap	г <b>л</b> .	=	"golden_gun"
239	eThreatWeap	[]+		"walther_ppk"
240	eThreatWeap	[];		
241	template tThreatsExpr eThreatLive	[]+	=	"you_only_live_twice"
242	elfreatLive	[] +		"attack_me_with_everything"
243	eThreatAtt	[]+		"unfinished_business"
	eThreatBus	[]+		
244	eThreatKill	[]+		"you_want_to_kill_me"
245				"kill_you"
246	eThreatKill	[]+		"see_you_in_hell"
247	eThreatHell	[]+		"you_waiting_for"
247	eThreatWait	[]+		
248	eThreatWin	[]+		"win"
249				"no_choice"
250	eThreatChoice	[]+		"it_may_be_your_last"
251	eThreatLast	[];		
251 252	template tThreatsquest		=	"the_matter"
253	eThreatMatter [] +			"your_choice"
	<pre>eThreatChoice [ ] ;</pre>			, <u>.</u>
254 255				
256				
257				

280	/*									
281	* Elements not recognized as speech acts									
282	*/									
283										
284	template tbeg	GeneBe	=	"you_are"			eNone			
	+									
285				"it_is"			eNone			
	+									
286				"i_am"			eNone			
	+			<b>N N</b>						
287	+			"youre"			eNone			
288	+			"this_is"			eNone			
288	+			this_is			enone			
289	·			"you_were"			eNone			
203	;			you_were			CNOIC			
290	,									
291	template tbegG	eneOwn	=	"i_have"		eNone	[] +			
292				"you_have"		eNone	[];			
293										
294	template tbegG	eneiw	-	"i_would"		eNone	[]+			
295				"i_will"		eNone	[];			
296										
297										
298										
299	template tbegN	eg	=	"i_am_not"		eNone	[]+			
300				"i_could_not"		eNone	[]+			
301				"i_would_not"		eNone	[]+			
302				"it_is_not"		eNone	[]+			
303				"this_is_not" "you_are_not"	eNone	eNone []+	[]+			

305		"i_wont"	eNone []		
306		"i_will_not"	eNone []		
307		"i_dont"	eNone []		
308		"you_dont"	eNone []		
309		"i_cant"	eNone []	;	
310					
311	tbegGeneTh= "thi	ing_is"		eNone	[]
	;				
312					
313	template tstartQuestw	= "why_would"		eNone	[]
	+				
314		"why_do"		eNone	[]
	+				
315		"why_are"		eNone	[]
	+				
316		"why_cant"		eNone	[]
	+	Harles to the H		N	с л
317		"what_is"		eNone	[]
	+	ll se la set de se a ll			с л
318		"what_are"		eNone	[]
	+	"whats"			с л
319	+	whats"		eNone	[]
000	+	"how_would"		eNone	г л
320	+	now_would		enone	[]
321	Ŧ	"whats"		eNone	[]
321		WHats		enone	LJ
322	;				
323	template tstartQuesta	= "are_you"			
510	eNone [] +				
324		"do_you"		eNone	[]
024	;	uo_you		0110110	
325	,				

#### H.2 Sentences Examples : Threats and Denials

```
160
     /*
      * Threats
161
      */
162
163
    //you re gonna die ok
164
165
    sentence s0025 =
              eSA_THREAT
166
              [ tbegGeneBe tThreatsMid1 ]
[ ^tThreatsMid1 ];
167
168
     //you re gonna die James ok
169
      sentence s0026 =
170
171
              eSA_THREAT
               [ tbegGeneBe tThreatsMid1 tActor ]
[ ^tThreatsMid1 ^tActor ];
172
173
174
     //you are mine now ok
175
176
     sentence s0027 =
              eSA_THREAT
177
               [ tbegGeneBe tThreatsMid1 ]
[ ^tbegGeneBe ^tThreatsMid1 ];
178
179
180
181
```

...

```
182
     //Ihave you now
                            ok
     sentence s0028 =
183
184
             eSA_THREAT
              [ tbegGeneOwn tThreatsMid1 ]
[ ^tbegGeneOwn ^tThreatsMid1 ];
185
186
187
188
189
     //Mr Bond I expect you to die ok
    sentence s0029 =
190
             eSA_THREAT
191
192
              [ tActor tThreatsStart1 ]
              [ ^tActor ^tThreatsStart1 ];
193
194
195
    //Why cant you just be a good boy and die?
                                                           ok
196
197
     sentence s0030 =
198
             eSA_THREAT
              [ tstartQuestw tThreatsStart1 ]
[ ^tstartQuestw ^tThreatsStart1 ];
199
200
201
202
    //you were supposed to die for me ok
203
    sentence s0031 =
204
205
             eSA_THREAT
              [ tbegGeneBe tThreatsStart1 ]
206
              [ ^tbegGeneBe ^tThreatsStart1 ];
207
208
209
    //Thing is james right now you have to fight **
210
211
    //sentence s0032
    11
          eSA_THREAT
212
    11
             [ tbegGeneTh tActor tThreatsNow tbegGeneOwn tThreatsFight ]
[ ^tbegGeneTh ^tActor ^tThreatsNow ^tbegGeneOwn ^tThreatsFight
213
214
    11
     ];
215
216
217
    //let s fight ok
    sentence s0033 =
218
219
              eSA_THREAT
              [ tThreatsFight ]
220
              [ ^tThreatsFight ];
221
222
    //Choose you next witticism carefully Mr Bond, it may be your last ***
223
     sentence s0034 =
224
225
              eSA_THREAT
              [ tThreatsStart1 tActor tThreatsExpr
226
                                                           ]
              [ ^tThreatsStart1 ^tActor ^tThreatsExpr ];
227
228
229
230
    //You only live twice Mr Bond ok
    sentence s0035 =
231
             eSA_THREAT
232
233
              [ tThreatsExpr tActor ]
              [ ^tThreatsExpr ^tActor ];
234
235
236
237
     //My golden gun against your Walther PPK.ok
238
239
    sentence s0036 =
             eSA THREAT
240
              [ "my" tThreatsWeap "against" "your" tThreatsWeap ]
241
              [ ^tThreatsWeap ];
242
243
244
245
    //Attack me With everything you have
246
                                                   ok
    sentence s0037 =
247
             eSA_THREAT
248
249
              Г
                tThreatsExpr tbegGeneOwn ]
```

```
[ ^tThreatsExpr ^tbegGeneOwn ];
250
251
252
            //You and I have unfinished business ok
253
            sentence s0038 =
254
                                  eSA_THREAT
                                  [ "you_and" tbegGeneOwn tThreatsExpr ]
255
                                  [ ^tThreatsExpr ~tbegGeneOwn ];
256
257
           //u want to kill me bond ok
258
            sentence s0039 =
259
260
                                  eSA_THREAT
261
                                  [ tThreatsExpr tActor ]
                                  [ ^tThreatsExpr ^tActor ];
262
263
           //I m gonna Kill you ok
264
265
            sentence s0040 =
266
                                 eSA_THREAT
                                  [ tbegGeneBe "gonna" tThreatsExpr ]
[ ^tbegGeneBe ^tThreatsExpr ];
267
268
269
           //I will kill you
270
                                                                  ok
            sentence s0041 =
271
                                 eSA_THREAT
272
273
                                  [ tbegGeneiw tThreatsExpr ]
                                  [ ^tbegGeneiw ^tThreatsExpr ];
274
275
276
            //what s the matter james //what s your choice james ok % f(x) = f(x) + f(x) 
277
           sentence s0042 =
                                 eSA_THREAT
278
                                  [ tstartQuestw tThreatsquest tActor ]
[ ^tstartQuestw ^tThreatsquest ^tActor ];
279
280
281
282
            //You have no choice ok
            sentence s0044 =
283
284
                                 eSA_THREAT
                                  [ tbegGeneOwn tThreatsExpr ]
[ ^tbegGeneOwn ^tThreatsExpr ];
285
286
287
288
            //See you in hell james ok
289
            sentence s0045 =
290
291
                                eSA_THREAT
                                  [ tThreatsExpr tActor ]
[ ^tThreatsExpr ^tActor ];
292
293
294
295
            //See you in hell ok
            sentence s1045 =
296
297
                                 eSA_THREAT
                                  [ tThreatsExpr ]
298
                                  [ ^tThreatsExpr ];
299
300
301
            //You cant win ****
302
            sentence s0046 =
303
304
                                eSA_THREAT
305
                                  [ tbegNeg tThreatsExpr ]
                                  [ ^tbegNeg ^tThreatsExpr ];
306
307
308
           //try to kill me //go and pick it up ok
309
            sentence s0047 =
310
311
                                eSA_THREAT
                                  [ tThreatsStart1 ]
312
                                  [ ^tThreatsStart1 ];
313
314
315
316
            //What are you waiting for? ok
317
            sentence s0049 =
318
```

```
eSA_THREAT
319
              [ tstartQuestw tThreatsExpr ]
[ ^tstartQuestw ^tThreatsExpr ];
320
321
322
     ...
    /*
392
393
     *Denials
      */
394
395
396
    //How would I know Mr Bond ok
    //Why would I give you such information ok
397
398
     sentence s0061 =
399
              eSA_DENIALS
              [ tstartQuestw tDenialsProp tActor
400
                                                         1
              [ ^tstartQuestw ^tDenialsProp ^tActor ];
401
402
     //I could not tell you //I would not know ok
403
     sentence s0062 =
404
              eSA_DENIALS
405
406
              [ tbegNeg tDenialsEnd
                                          1
              [ ^tbegNeg ^tDenialsEnd ];
407
408
409
410
     //Never heard of it *****
411
412
     sentence s0064 =
             eSA DENIALS
413
414
              [ tDenialsExpr ]
              [ ^tDenialsExpr ];
415
416
417
    //Do you seriously think i would tell you ok
     sentence s0065 =
418
419
             eSA_DENIALS
              [ tstartQuesta tDenialsEnd tbegGeneiw tDenialsEnd ]
420
              [ ^tstartQuesta ^tDenialsEnd ^tbegGeneiw ^tDenialsEnd ];
421
422
    //I am not telling you this ok
423
    //I am not talking to you
424
425
     sentence s0066 =
              eSA_DENIALS
426
             [ tbegNeg tDenialsing ]
[ ^tbegNeg ^tDenialsing ];
//I am not talking to you, Mr Bond
427
428
429
     sentence s0068 =
430
              eSA_DENIALS
431
              [ tbegNeg tDenialsing tActor ]
432
              [ ^tbegNeg ^tDenialsing ^tActor ];
433
434
     //Why would I tell you ok
435
     sentence s0067 =
436
              eSA_DENIALS
437
                tstartQuestw "i" tDenialsEnd ]
438
              Ε
              [ ^tstartQuestw ^tDenialsEnd ];
439
440
441
442
      //This is no business of yours //This is none of your business ok
443
     sentence s0070 =
444
              eSA_DENIALS
445
446
              Г
                tbegGeneBe tDenialsExpr ]
                ^tbegGeneBe ^tDenialsExpr ];
447
              Г
448
449
    //It is not your buisiness //This is not ur buisiness ok
450
```

```
sentence s0072 =
451
              eSA_DENIALS
452
453
              [ tbegNeg tDenialsExpr ]
              [ ^tbegNeg ^tDenialsExpr ];
454
455
     //You're wasting // your time ok
456
     sentence s0075 =
457
458
              eSA_DENIALS
              [ tbegGeneBe tDenialsing ]
459
              [ ^tbegGeneBe ^tDenialsing ];
460
461
462
     //You are not serious * //You don't want to know *
463
     //You are not able to know that ok
464
     sentence s0078 =
465
466
              eSA_DENIALS
              [ tbegNeg tDenialsExpr ]
[ `tbegNeg `tDenialsExpr ];
467
468
469
470
     //You are joking //it is confidential ok
471
     sentence s0079 =
              eSA_DENIALS
472
              [ tbegGeneBe tDenialsExpr ]
[ ^tbegGeneBe ^tDenialsExpr
473
474
                                               ];
475
     //You must be joking ok
476
477
     sentence s0080 =
              eSA_DENIALS
478
              [ "you" "must" "be" tDenialsExpr
[ ^tDenialsExpr ];
479
                                                      ٦
480
481
482
     //Are you serious, Mr Bond ***
     sentence s0081 =
483
              eSA_DENIALS
484
              [ tstartQuesta tDenialsExpr tActor ]
485
              [ ^tstartQuesta ^tDenialsExpr ^tActor ];
486
487
     //Why would you like to know ok
488
     sentence s0082 =
489
490
              eSA_DENIALS
              [ tstartQuestw tDenialsProp
491
                                                 1
              [ ^tstartQuestw ^tDenialsProp ];
492
493
     //Why do you care, Mr Bond ok
494
495
     sentence s0083 =
496
              eSA_DENIALS
              [ tstartQuestw tDenialsProp tActor ]
497
              [ ^tstartQuestw ^tDenialsProp ^tActor ];
498
499
     //Why are you interested ok
500
501
     sentence s0084 =
              eSA_DENIALS
502
              [ tstartQuestw tDenialsProp ]
[ ^tstartQuestw ^tDenialsProp ]
503
                                                 ];
504
505
506
     //Why do you want to know ****
     sentence s0085 =
507
              eSA_DENIALS
508
                  tstartQuestw tDenialsExpr ]
509
              Г
              [ ^tstartQuestw ^tDenialsExpr ];
510
511
512
     //I won t tell you bond ok//I can t tell youok
     //You don t need to know that ok
513
514
     sentence s0086 =
              eSA_DENIALS
515
              [ tbegNeg tDenialsEnd tActor ]
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              [ ^tbegNeg ^tDenialsEnd ^tActor ];
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     //sentence = s0086 =
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```

...

## Appendix I

# **Templates definition charts**

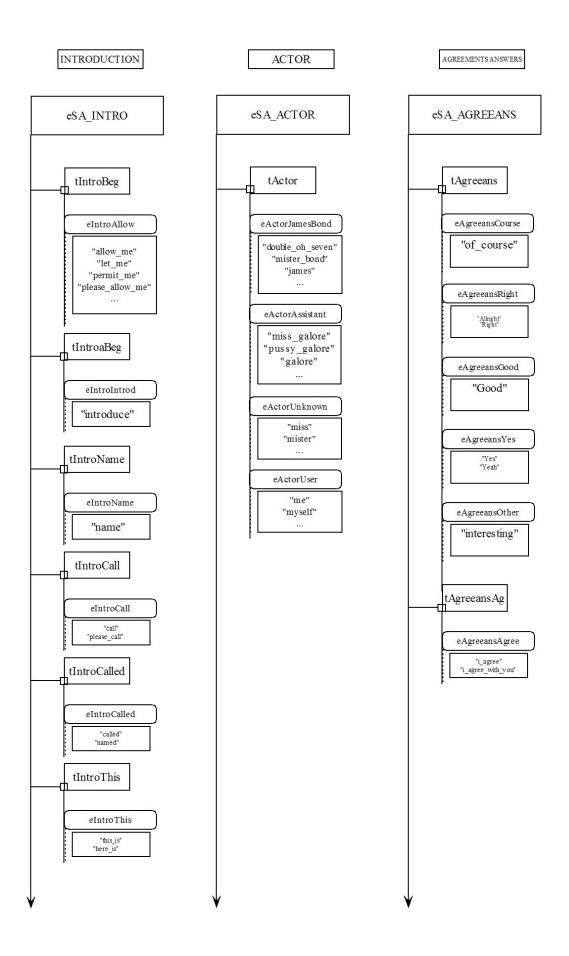


Figure I.1: Agreements, Actor and Introduction Templates Definion Chart

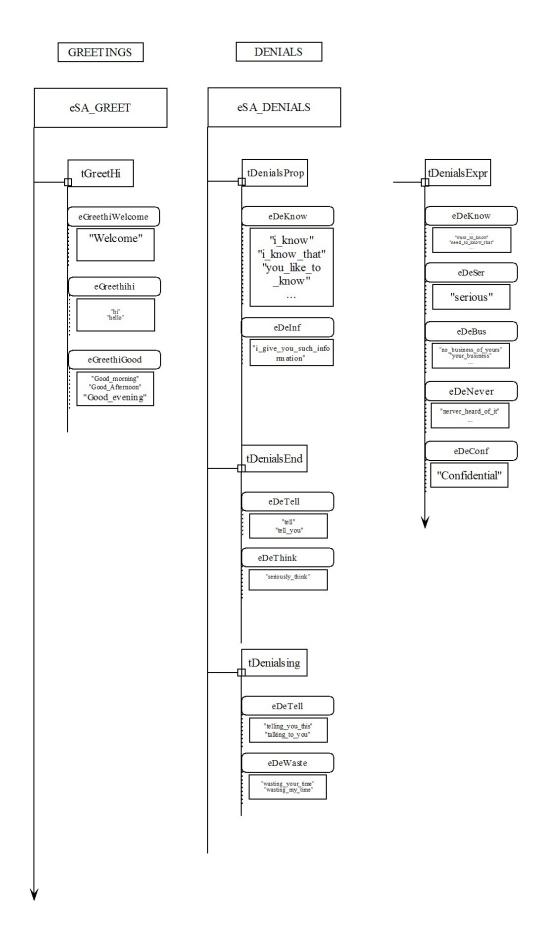


Figure I.2: Denials and Greetings Templates Definion Chart



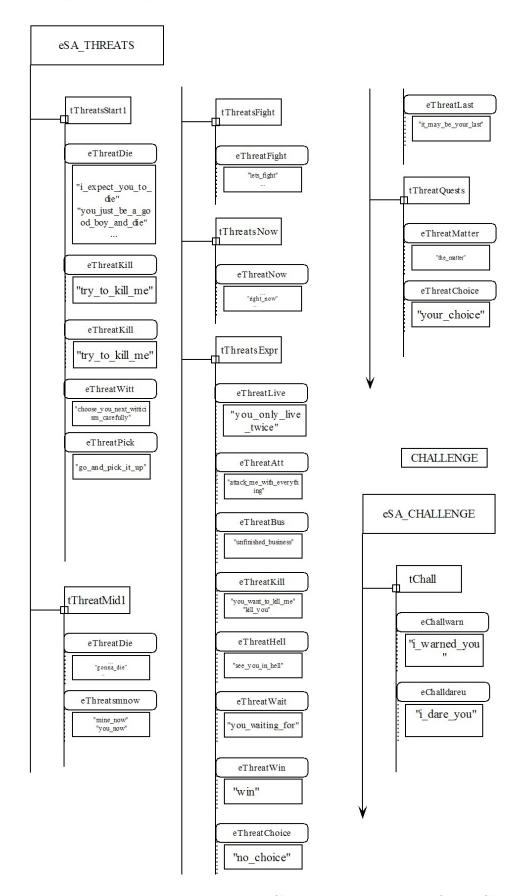


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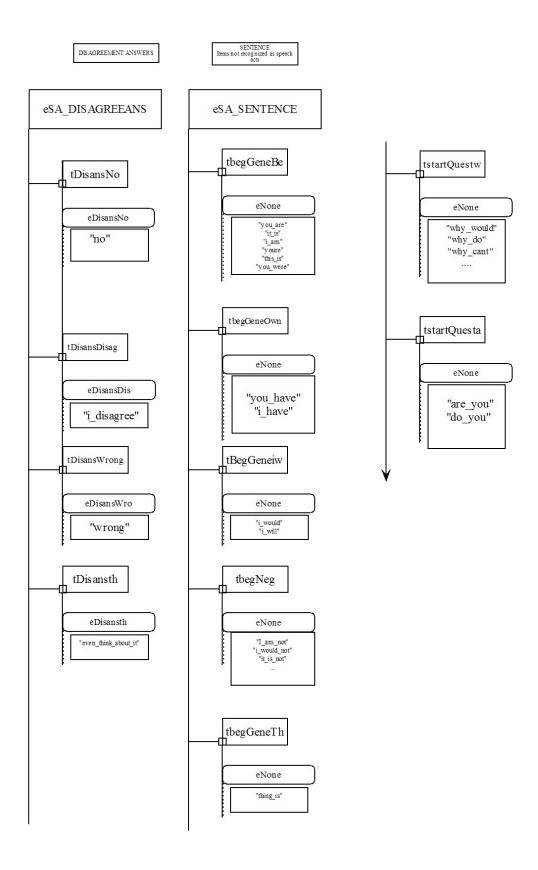


Figure I.4: Disagreement Answers and Sentences Templates Definion Chart

## Appendix J

# Talk to unreal application screenshot

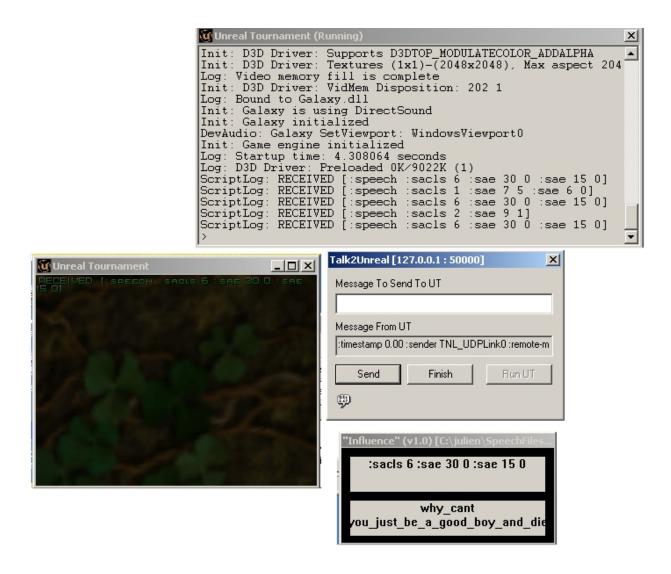


Figure J.1: Talk to unreal application screenshot