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Phoneme depend on both the preceding and following phonemes. This paper provides some needed contextual and probabilistic data about trigram phonemic sequences of spoken English. Since there are approximately 40^3 such sequences, one must discover and study only the more commonly occurring sequences. To this purpose, three types of tables are presented, viz.,

- Commonly occurring trigram sequences of the form $/\alpha\beta\gamma/$ for every phoneme $/\beta/$.
- Commonly occurring sequences $/\alpha\beta\gamma/$ for every pair of phonemes $/\alpha/$ and $/\gamma/$.
- Commonly occurring word boundary sequences of the form $/-\alpha\beta/$ and $/\alpha\beta-/$ where $/-/$ represents the silence phoneme.

Entries of the above tables contain examples of usage and probabilities of occurrence for each such sequence.

80. Georgia Sutherland, Heuristic Dendral: A Family of LISP Programs, March

The Heuristic Dendral program for generating explanatory hypotheses in organic chemistry is described as an application of the programming language LISP. The description emphasizes the non-chemical aspects of the program, particularly the "topologist" which generates all tree graphs of a collection of nodes.

81. David Luckham, Refinement Theorems in Resolution Theory, March

The paper discusses some basic refinements of the Resolution Principle which are intended to improve the speed and efficiency of theorem-proving programs based on this rule of inference. It is proved that two of the refinements preserve the logical completeness of the proof procedure when used separately, but not when used in conjunction. The results of some preliminary experiments with the refinements are given. Presented at the IRIA symposium on Automatic Deduction, Versailles, France, December 16-21, 1968.

82. Zohar Manna and Amir Pnueli, Formalization of Properties of Recursively Defined Functions, March

This paper is concerned with the relationship between the convergence, correctness and equivalence of recursively defined functions and the satisfiability (or unsatisfiability) of certain first-order formulas.

83. Roger C. Schank, A Conceptual Dependency Representation for a Computer-Oriented Semantics, March

Machines that may be said to function intelligently must be able to understand questions posed in natural language. Since natural language may be assumed to have an underlying conceptual structure, it is desirable to have the machine structure its own experience, both linguistic and nonlinguistic, in a manner concomitant with the human method for doing

so. Some previous attempts at organizing the machine's data base conceptually are discussed. A conceptually-oriented dependency grammar is posited as an interlingua that may be used as an abstract representation of the underlying conceptual structure. The conceptual dependencies are utilized as the highest level in a stratified system that incorporates language-specific realization rules to map from concepts and their relations, into sentences. In order to generate coherent sentences, a conceptual semantics is posited that limits possible conceptual dependencies to statements about the system's knowledge of the real world. This is done by the creation of semantic files that serve to spell out the defining characteristics of a given concept and enumerate the possibilities for relations with other concepts within the range of conceptual experience. The semantic files are created, in part, from a hierarchical organization of semantic categories. The semantic category is part of the definition of a concept and the information at the nodes dominating the semantic category in the hierarchical tree may be used to fill in the semantic file. It is possible to reverse the realization rules to operate on sentences and produce a conceptual parse. All potential parses are checked with the conceptual semantics in order to eliminate semantic and syntactic ambiguities. The system has been programmed; coherent sentences have been generated and the parser is operable. The entire system is posited as a viable linguistic theory

84. David Canfield Smith, MLISP Users' Manual, January
MLISP is a LISP pre-processor designed to facilitate the writing, use, and understanding of LISP programs. This is accomplished through parentheses reduction, comments, introduction of a more visual flow of control with block structure and mnemonic key words, and language redundancy. In addition, some "meta-constructs" are introduced to increase the power of the language.
85. Pierre Vicens, Aspects of Speech Recognition by Computer, April
This thesis describes techniques and methodology which are useful in achieving close to real-time recognition of speech by computer. To analyze connected speech utterances, any speech recognition system must perform the following processes: pre-processing, segmentation, segment classification, recognition of words, recognition of sentences. We present implemented solutions to each of these problems which achieved accurate recognition in all the trial cases.

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86. Patrick J. Hayes, A Machine-Oriented Formulation of the Extended Functional Calculus, April

The Extended Functional Calculus (EFC), a three-valued predicate calculus intended as a language in which to reason about the results of computations, is described in some detail. A formal semantics is given. A machine-oriented (axiomless) inference system for EFC is then described and its completeness relative to the semantics is proved by the method of Semantic Trees. Finally some remarks are made on efficiency.

87. John McCarthy, and A.I. Project Staff, Project Technical Report, June

Plans and accomplishments of the Stanford Artificial Intelligence Project are reviewed in several areas including:

theory (epistemology and mathematical theory of computation),
visual perception and control (Hand-eye and Cart),
speech recognition by computer,
heuristics in machine learning and automatic deduction,
models of cognitive processes (Heuristic DENDRAL, Language Research, and Higher Mental Functions).

This is an excerpt of a proposal to ARPA.

88. Roger C. Schank, Linguistics from a Conceptual Viewpoint (Aspects of Aspects of a Theory of Syntax), April

Some of the assertions made by Chomsky in Aspects of the Theory of Syntax are considered. In particular, the notion of a 'competence' model in linguistics is criticized. Formal postulates for a conceptually-based linguistic theory are presented.

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OPERATING NOTES

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Describes some differences between the Stanford Time-Sharing Monitor and the DEC system, including "Spacewar Mode" for real time programs.
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Describes one-pass assembler that is about five times as fast as MACRO and has a more powerful macro processor.
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III display system from the programmer's viewpoint.
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