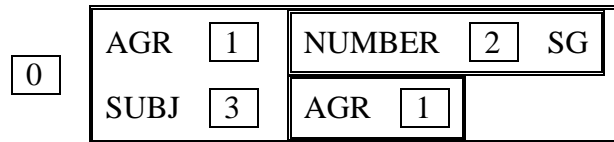
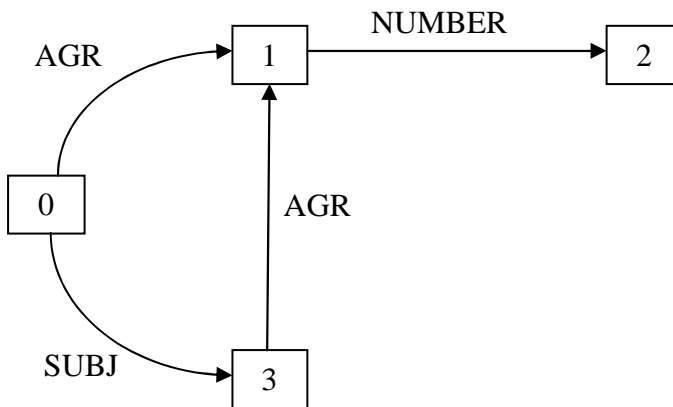


AVM representation and DAG representation.

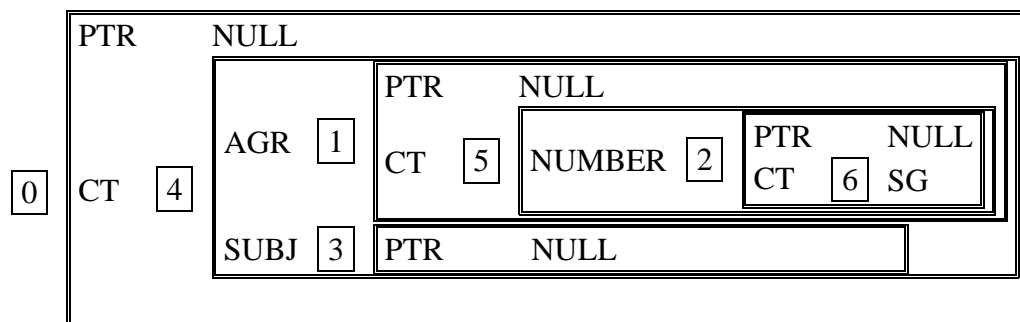
An AVM might look like this:



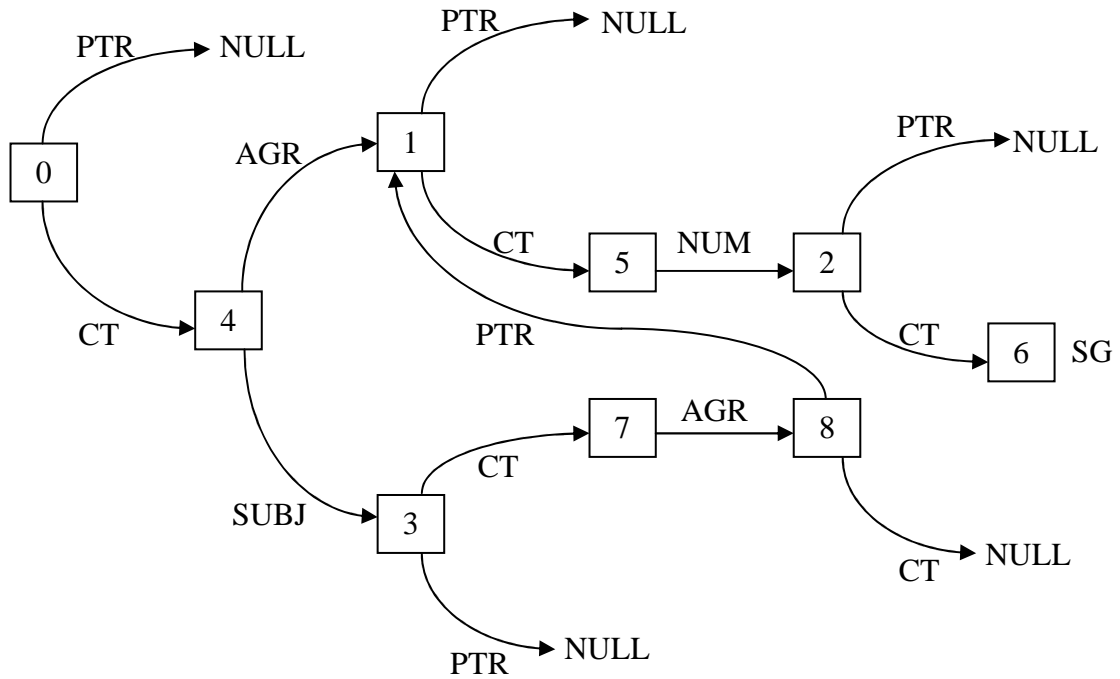
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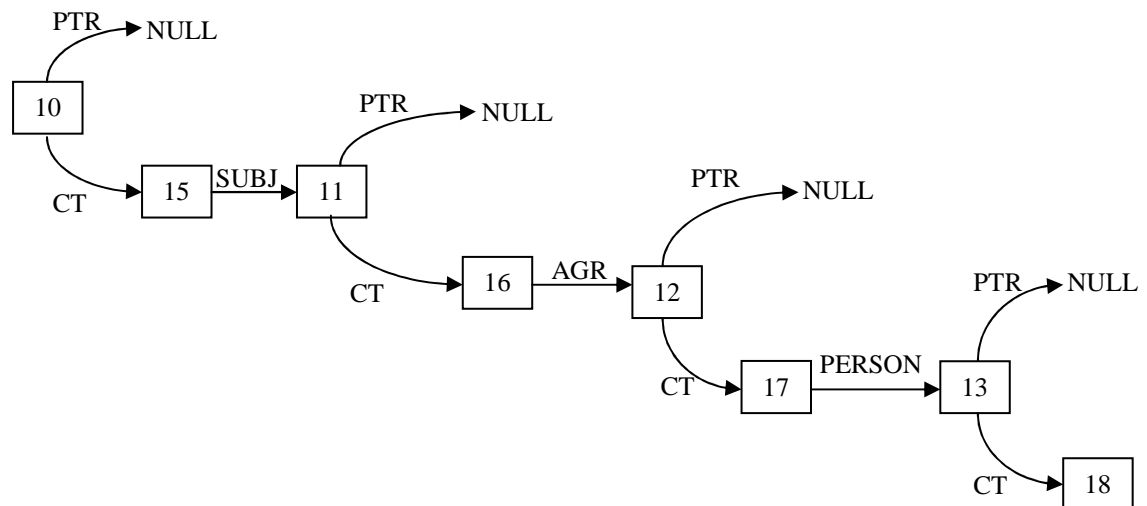
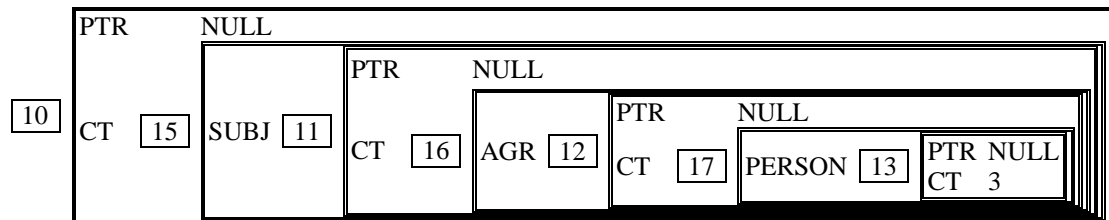
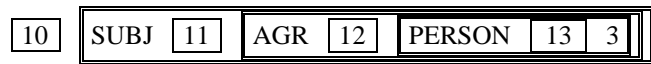
The same structure, “expanded” for the unification algorithm:



The expanded structure as a DAG:



The expanded representations for the other argument of example (11.23)



Stepping through the algorithm:

Unify(f1 = 0, f2 = 10)

f1-real = 0, f2-real = 10 neither node has a ptr

Neither structure is null, they aren't identical, so

10.PTR ← 0 make f2 point to f1

Loop through f2-real's features

feature = 10's SUBJ

other-feature = 0's SUBJ

Unify(f1 = 11, f2 = 3)

f1-real = 11, f2-real = 3

Neither pointer is null and they aren't identical

3.PTR ← 11

Loop through f2-real's features

feature = 3's AGR

other-feature = 11's AGR

Unify(f1 = 8, f2 = 12)

f1-real = 1, f2-real = 12 8 has a pointer

Neither is null and they aren't identical

12.PTR ← 8

Loop through f2-real's features

feature = 12's PERSON

other-feature ← 1's PERSON Make a new (19)

Unify(f1 = 13, f2 = 19)

f1-real = 13, f2-real = 19

f2-real is null

19.PTR ← 13

return 13

return 8

return 11

return 0