# **Authoring Knowledge via Natural Language**

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# **INTRODUCTION**

The Knowledge Authoring Logic Machine<sup>[1]</sup> (KALM) enables domain experts who do not have knowledge representation skills to **write their domain knowledge into knowledge base** via Controlled Natural Language (CNL). In this way, domain experts are able to store their knowledge and reason with it.



However, by relying on CNL, KALM only takes **restricted syntactic forms** and **present tense** as input, which are too burdensome for users.

KALM-2 is proposed to solve these problems using a natural language parsing toolkit, **Stanza**<sup>[2]</sup>.



It is demonstrated that KALM-2 performs as well as the original KALM (**95.6%** accuracy).

#### PROBLEMS AND SOLUTIONS

There are a bunch a problems emerging when migrating from CNL to NL using Stanza. The problems are-two fold: 1) Stanza Model Issues and, 2) Stanza Semantic Mismatch.

> Stanza Model Issues refers to the accuracy problems existing in the pipeline.



"Protests" is wrongly identified as a noun, which causes wrong dependencies. KALM-2 detects such errors and modifies them to be correct.

> Stanza Semantic Mismatch refers to the problems that equivalent sentences are represented differently.



Two sentences represent the same meaning but with different dependencies. Using **Para-parsing**, KALM-2 can merge them into the same representation.

## **EVALUATION**

Metrics	Description	Results
FrSynC	All frames and roles are correct, and all role-fillers are disambiguated	239 (95.6%)
FrC	All frames and roles are correct	248 (99.2%)
PFrC	Some frames/ roles are correct	0
Wrong	Some frames/roles are wrong	2 (0.008%)
Total	All frames	250

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