List of abbreviations and symbols

Listed here are abbreviations found in the text which are not always explained wherever they occur. Not included are everyday abbreviations as given in Everyman's Dictionary of Abbreviations.

acc — accusative
adj — adjective
adjgrp — adjective group
AdjP — adjectival phrase
adv — adverb
AI — Artificial Intelligence
AGT — agent
ALPAC — Automated Language Processing Advisory Committee
art — article
ARTD article (definite)
ASCII — American Standard Code for Information Interchange
ATN — Augmented Transition Network
ATR — Advanced Telecommunications Research
attr — attribute
aux — auxiliary
BKB — Bilingual Knowledge Bank
BSO — Bureau voor Systeemontwikkeling
BT — British Telecom
C — condition
CAT — Computer-Aided (or Assisted)
Translation
CAT, <C,A>,T — Constructor, Atom, Translator
cat — category
CCRIT — Centre Canadien de Recherche sur l'Informatisation du Travail
CD — compact disk
CEC — Commission of the European Communities
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CETA — Centre d'Etudes pour la Traduction Automatique
CFG — context free grammar
CLG — Constraint Logic Grammar
CLRU — Cambridge Language Research Unit
Cmod — condition modifier
CMU — Carnegie Mellon University
compl — complement
COND — condition
conjug — conjugation
CONSTR — construct
DCG — Definite Clause Grammar
def — definiteness
demp — demonstrative pronoun
deriv — derivation
des — désinence [inflection]
det — determiner
detp — determiner phrase
DLT — Distributed Language Translation
d-obj — direct object
dtr — daughter
EBMT — Example-Based Machine Translation
ECS — Eurotra constituent structure
EMS — Eurotra morphological structure
ENT — Eurotra normalized text
ERS — Eurotra relational structure
ETS — Eurotra text structure
exper — experiencer
f — feminine
FAHQT — Fully Automatic High Quality Translation
fun — function
gen — gender, genitive
gend — gender
GETA — Groupe d’Etudes pour la Traduction Automatique
gov — governor
GAJ — groupe adjectival [=AdjP]
GB — Government and Binding
GN — groupe nominal [=NP]
GPSG — Generalized Phrase Structure Grammar
HAMT — Human-Aided (or Assisted) Machine Translation
IBM — International Business Machines
indic-pres — indicative present
inf-compl — infinitival complement
inst — instrument
i-obj — indirect object
IS — interface structure
ISSCO — Istituto per gli Studi Semantici e Cognitivi
KBMT — Knowledge-Based Machine Translation
L — location
lex — lexeme, lexical
LFG — Lexical Functional Grammar
LKB — Linguistic Knowledge Bank
MAHT — Machine-Aided (or Assisted) Human Translation
masc — masculine
Mips — millions of instructions per second
MIR — METAL Interface Representation
MIT — Massachusetts Institute of Technology
mod — modifier
MT — Machine Translation
n — noun
nbr — number
NC — noun (common)
ncomp — noun complement
NEC — Nippon Electric Company
neut — neuter
nom — nominative
NP — noun phrase
num — number
OCR — optical character recognition
reader
obj — object
p — preposition
PAHO — Pan-American Health Organization
pastpart — past participle
pat — patient
pers — person
PHVB — phrase verbale [=VP]
pkt — punctuation
pl, plur — plural
PP — prepositional phrase
pospron — possessive pronoun
pred — predicate
prep — preposition
pres — present
pron — pronoun
prop-n — proper noun
qtf, quant — quantifier
ref — reference
ROM — read-only memory
S — sentence
SComp — sentential complement
sem — semantic
SF — syntactic function
SFB — Sonderforschungsbereich
sg, sing — singular
subj, suj — subject, sujet
T — time
TAUM — Traduction Automatique de l’Université de Montréal
TG — Transformational Generative (grammar)
tns — tense
UMIST — University of Manchester Institute of Science and Technology
USAF — United States Air Force
v, vb — verb
VDU — visual display unit
verbfunc — verb function
VP — verb phrase
Vpass — verb (passive)
VST — verb stem
vwl — vowel
WTC — World Translation Center
∀ universal quantifier ‘all’
∃ existential quantifier ‘exists’
∪ set union
→ rewrites as
⇒ is transformed into
↑ metavariable ‘up’, or ‘mother’
↓ metavariable ‘down’, or ‘self’
/ ‘slash’ indicating missing element
(GPSG) or rightwards combination (Categorial)
\ ‘back-slash’ leftwards combination
< linearly precedes
Δ (in diagrams) details omitted
* ungrammatical, unacceptable or anomalous