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#step1: Open Google Colab Open Colab and create a new notebook. We will use Colab because it already supports Python and makes installation easy.
medical_text = ""
Diabetes is a chronic disease that affects how the body processes blood sugar.
If untreated, diabetes may cause heart disease, kidney failure, nerve damage and vision problems.
Early diagnosis and proper treatment help improve patient outcomes.
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#Step 2 – Install and import libraries We install NLTK and spaCy, then import required modules. These libraries help us tokenize, stem, and lemmatize medical text.
!pip install nltk spacy
!python -m spacy download en_core_web_sm
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✓ Download and installation successful

You can now load the package via `spacy.load('en_core_web_sm')`

⚠ Restart to reload dependencies

If you are in a Jupyter or Colab notebook, you may need to restart Python in order to load all the package's dependencies. You can do this by selecting the 'Restart kernel' or 'Restart runtime' option.

#Step 3 – Load medical/health text We paste a small medical paragraph (not real patient data). This becomes our input corpus for preprocessing.

#Load Medical Text Corpus

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medical_text = """
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Diabetes is a chronic disease that affects how the body processes blood sugar.

Patients experiencing symptoms such as excessive thirst and frequent urination

should seek medical attention. Treatment options include insulin therapy and lifestyle changes.

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STEP 4: Sentence Tokenization using NLTK

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import nltk
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from nltk.tokenize import sent_tokenize
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Download tokenizer model

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nltk.download('punkt')
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Medical text corpus

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medical_text = """
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The patient was diagnosed with diabetes and hypertension.

She is taking medications including metformin and insulin.

The doctor recommended monitoring blood glucose levels regularly.

Patients suffering from cardiac diseases require continuous care.

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Perform sentence tokenization

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sentences = sent_tokenize(medical_text)
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Display sentences

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for i, sentence in enumerate(sentences, 1):
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    print(f"Sentence {i}: {sentence}")
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Sentence 1:

The patient was diagnosed with diabetes and hypertension.

Sentence 2: She is taking medications including metformin and insulin.

Sentence 3: The doctor recommended monitoring blood glucose levels regularly.

Sentence 4: Patients suffering from cardiac diseases require continuous care.

[nltk_data] Downloading package punkt to /root/nltk_data...

[nltk_data] Package punkt is already up-to-date!

#Step 5 – Word Tokenization (NLTK & spaCy) We break sentences into individual words (tokens). spaCy also recognizes punctuation and special terms better than basic to

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words = word_tokenize(medical_text)
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print(words)
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['Diabetes', 'is', 'a', 'chronic', 'disease', 'that', 'affects', 'how', 'the', 'body', 'processes', 'blood', 'sugar', '.', 'Patients', 'experiencing', 'symptoms', 'such', 'as', 'hypertension', 'and', 'other', 'conditions']
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#Step 6 – Apply Stemming (Porter Stemmer) Stemming cuts words to rough root forms. It is fast – but it may produce non-meaningful words (e.g., “diagnosis → diagnosi”)
nlp = spacy.load("en_core_web_sm")
doc = nlp(medical_text)

spacy_tokens = [token.text for token in doc]
print(spacy_tokens)
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['\n', 'The', 'patient', 'was', 'diagnosed', 'with', 'diabetes', 'and', 'hypertension', '.', '\n', 'She', 'is', 'taking', 'medications', 'including', 'metformin', 'and', 'insulin']
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#Step 7 – Apply Lemmatization (NLTK & spaCy) Lemmatization converts words to meaningful dictionary base forms. Example: “treated → treat”, “patients → patient”. This

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lemmatizer = WordNetLemmatizer()
lemmatized_words = [lemmatizer.lemmatize(word.lower()) for word in words if word.isalpha()]
print(lemmatized_words)
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['diabetes', 'is', 'a', 'chronic', 'disease', 'that', 'affect', 'how', 'the', 'body', 'process', 'blood', 'sugar', 'patient', 'experiencing', 'symptom', 'such', 'a', 'hypertension', 'and', 'other', 'conditions']
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STEP 8: Comparison of Original, Stemmed, and Lemmatized Words

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from nltk.stem import PorterStemmer
from nltk.stem import WordNetLemmatizer
from nltk.tokenize import word_tokenize
import nltk

nltk.download('punkt')
nltk.download('wordnet')
nltk.download('omw-1.4')

medical_text = """
The patient was diagnosed with diabetes and hypertension.
She is taking medications including metformin and insulin.
"""

# Tokenize words
words = word_tokenize(medical_text)

# Initialize stemmer and lemmatizer
stemmer = PorterStemmer()
lemmatizer = WordNetLemmatizer()

# Process only alphabetic words
original_words = [word.lower() for word in words if word.isalpha()]
stemmed_words = [stemmer.stem(word) for word in original_words]
lemmatized_words = [lemmatizer.lemmatize(word) for word in original_words]

# Display comparison
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# Display comparison
print("Original Word | Stemmed Word | Lemmatized Word")
print("-" * 45)

for o, s, l in zip(original_words, stemmed_words, lemmatized_words):
    print(f"{o:<13} {s:<14} {l}")
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Original Word | Stemmed Word | Lemmatized Word
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the	the	the
patient	patient	patient
was	wa	wa
diagnosed	diagnos	diagnosed
with	with	with
diabetes	diabet	diabetes
and	and	and
hypertension	hypertens	hypertension
she	she	she
is	is	is
taking	take	taking
medications	medic	medication
including	includ	including
metformin	metformin	metformin
and	and	and
insulin	insulin	insulin

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[nltk_data] Downloading package omw-1.4 to /root/nltk_data...
[nltk_data] Package omw-1.4 is already up-to-date!
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