

AI6122 Text Data Management & Analysis

Lecture 00 Introduction



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Course Evaluation

- Directed reading/Literature review: 10%
 - **Individual**
 - Find an interesting topic, and a few relevant papers
 - Summarize the main ideas in the papers
- Project/Assignment: 40%
 - **Group (4 – 5 students)**
 - Work on pre-defined and self-defined problems on real dataset
- Final Exam: 50%
 - Closed book exam
 - 3 hours
 - All kinds of questions



Preparation

- Pre-requisites
 - Basic understanding on English grammar,
 - e.g., verb, noun phrase, preposition
 - Basic algorithm and data structure analysis,
 - e.g., dynamic programming
 - Basic probability concepts,
 - e.g., conditional probability

My house is on top of that hill.

Possessive pronoun, noun, verb, preposition, noun,
preposition, determiner, noun

Noun phrase, verb phrase, prepositional phrase

$$P(B|A) = \frac{P(A, B)}{P(A)}$$

- **Decent** programming skills

Divide & Conquer	Dynamic Programming
Partitions a problem into independent smaller sub-problems	Partitions a problem into overlapping sub-problems
Doesn't store solutions of sub-problems. (Identical sub-problems may arise – results in the same computations are performed repeatedly)	Stores solutions of sub-problems: thus avoids calculations of same quantity twice.
Top down algorithms: which logically progresses from the initial instance down to the smallest sub-instances via intermediate sub-instances.	Bottom up algorithms: in which the smallest sub-problems are explicitly solved first and the results of these used to construct solutions to progressively larger sub-instances.



Preparation (Cont'd)

Machine learning?

- Machine learning knowledge can be very **helpful** for assignment and some parts of lecture
- Not everyone has the same skills
 - Assumes some ability to learn missing knowledge

What computation?

- Some statistics!
- Some rules based on linguistic theory



What to be covered (NLP + IR)

- This course covers **fundamental** techniques to manage and process **text** data. This course does NOT cover deep learning
 - Some of the concepts will be linked to deep learning topics
- Text indexing and search
 - inverted index, query processing, ranking, and evaluation,
- Word-level, sentence-level, document-level, and collection-level processing
 - morphological analysis, part-of-speech tagging, parsing, summarization, classification and clustering, and topic modeling,
- Case studies and applications
 - social media text, sentiment analysis, and information extraction.



Why these topics

The Stanford CoreNLP Natural Language Processing Toolkit

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Abstract

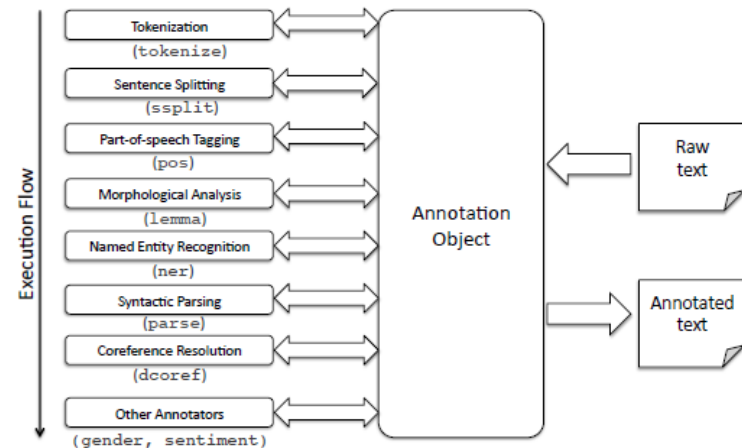
We describe the design and use of the Stanford CoreNLP toolkit, an extensible pipeline that provides core natural language analysis. This toolkit is quite widely used both in the research NLP community

The Stanford CoreNLP Natural Language Processing Toolkit ...

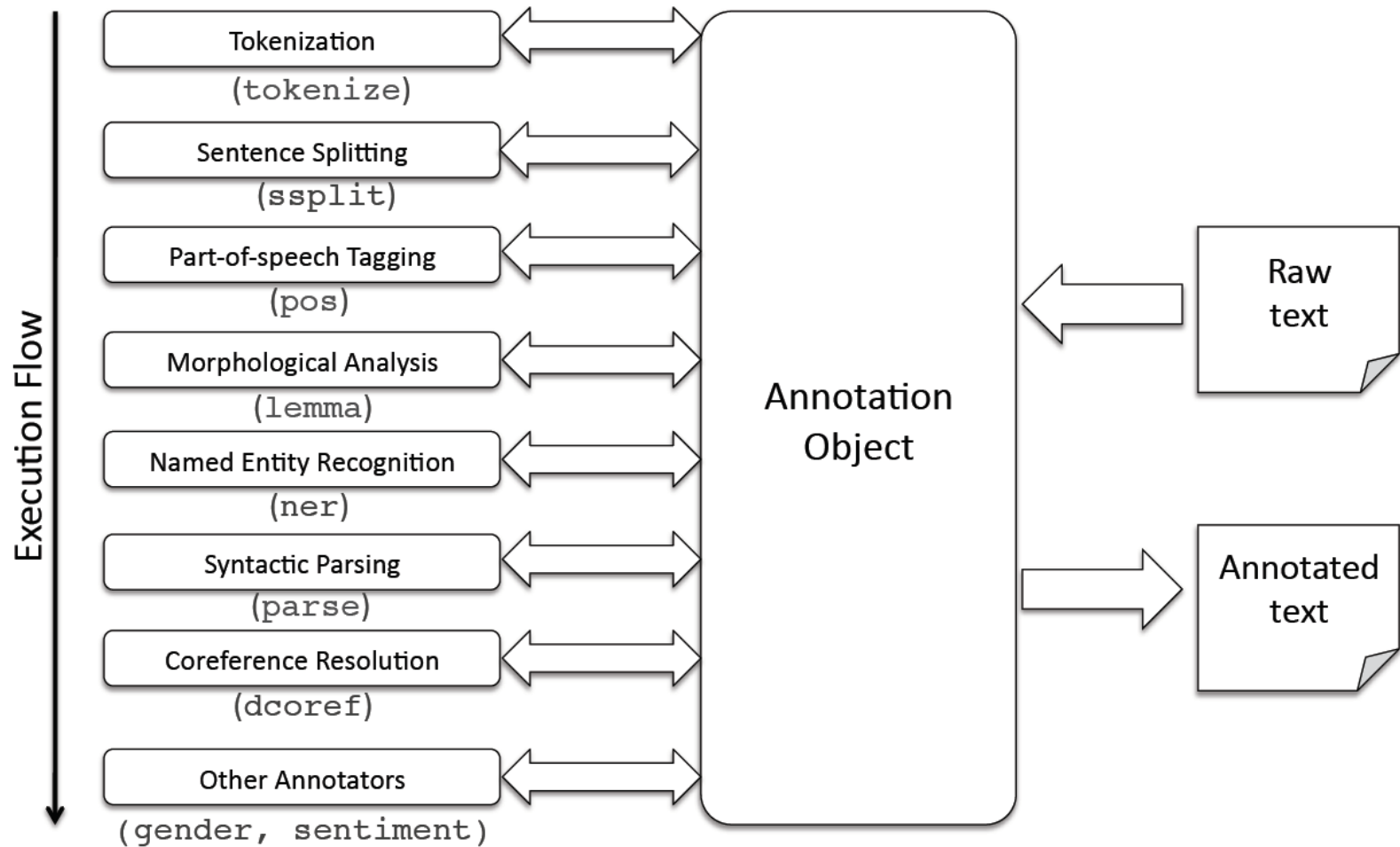
<https://www.aclweb.org/anthology> ▼

by C Manning - 2014 - Cited by 4307 - Related articles

Anthology ID: P14-5010; Volume: Proceedings of 52nd Annual Meeting of the Association for Computational Linguistics: System Demonstrations; Month: June ...



Stanford CoreNLP



The NLTK toolkit

NLTK 3.4.5 documentation

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Natural Language Toolkit

NLTK is a leading platform for building Python programs to work with human language data. It provides easy-to-use interfaces to [over 50 corpora and lexical resources](#) such as WordNet, along with a suite of text processing libraries for [classification, tokenization, stemming, tagging, parsing, and semantic reasoning](#), wrappers for industrial-strength NLP libraries, and an active [discussion forum](#).

Thanks to a hands-on guide introducing programming fundamentals alongside topics in computational linguistics, plus comprehensive API documentation, NLTK is suitable for linguists, engineers, students, educators, researchers, and industry users alike. NLTK is available for Windows, Mac OS X, and Linux. Best of all, NLTK is a free, open source,

NLTK: the natural language toolkit

E Loper, S Bird - arXiv preprint cs/0205028, 2002 - [arxiv.org](#)

NLTK, the Natural Language Toolkit, is a suite of open source program modules, tutorials and problem sets, providing ready-to-use computational linguistics courseware. NLTK covers symbolic and statistical natural language processing, and is interfaced to annotated ...

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Lucene™ Features

Lucene offers powerful features through a simple API:



Scalable, High-Performance Indexing

- over 150GB/hour on modern hardware
- small RAM requirements -- only 1MB heap
- incremental indexing as fast as batch indexing
- index size roughly 20-30% the size of text indexed

Powerful, Accurate and Efficient Search Algorithms

- ranked searching -- best results returned first
- many powerful query types: phrase queries, wildcard queries, proximity queries, range queries and more
- fielded searching (e.g. title, author, contents)
- sorting by any field
- multiple-index searching with merged results
- allows simultaneous update and searching
- flexible faceting, highlighting, joins and result grouping
- fast, memory-efficient and typo-tolerant suggesters
- pluggable ranking models, including the Vector Space Model and Okapi BM25
- configurable storage engine (codecs)



Are these topics linked to the trending things?



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Search...

BERT Rediscovered the Classical NLP Pipeline

Ian Tenney, Dipanjan Das, Ellie Pavlick

Abstract

Pre-trained text encoders have rapidly advanced the state of the art on many NLP tasks. We focus on one such model, BERT, and aim to quantify where linguistic information is captured within the network. We find that the model represents the steps of the traditional NLP pipeline in an interpretable and localizable way, and that the regions responsible for each step appear in the expected sequence: **POS tagging, parsing, NER, semantic roles, then coreference**. Qualitative analysis reveals that the model can and often does adjust this pipeline dynamically, revising lower-level decisions on the basis of disambiguating information from higher-level representations.

Anthology ID: P19-1452

Volume: [Proceedings of the 57th Annual Meeting of the Association for Computational Linguistics](#)

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Year: 2019

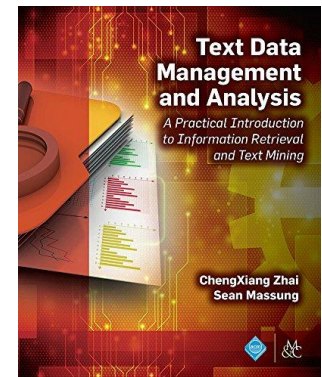
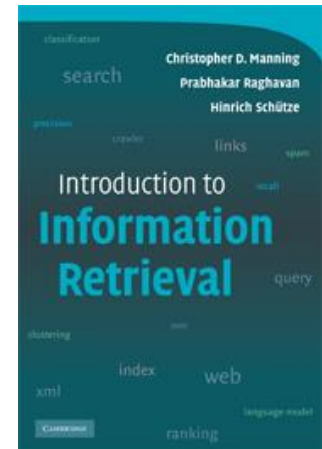
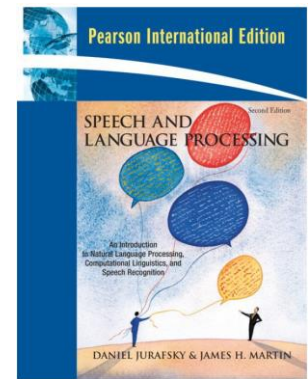
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Reference books

- Speech and Language Processing
 - [Daniel Jurafsky](#) and [James H. Martin](#), 2nd edition, 2009
 - Draft of the 3rd edition:
<https://web.stanford.edu/~jurafsky/slp3/>
- Introduction to Information Retrieval
 - Christopher D. Manning, Prabhakar Raghavan, Hinrich Schütze
 - Cambridge University Press. 2008.
 - <http://nlp.stanford.edu/IR-book/>
- Text Data Management and Analysis
 - ChengXiang Zhai, Sean Massung
 - ACM and Morgan & Claypool Publishers, July 2016.



Some of the slides are adopted from these books/authors



Course Web Page

- The course web page can be found at **NTULearn**
- It will have the lecture notes, announcements, etc.
 - Slides cannot replace the textbook.
 - They are at most a guideline.



Expectations

- You are **willing to learn NLP and IR**
 - for text data management & analysis
- You are expected to participate.
- You are expected to
 - **Read** lecture slides for reference only
 - **Read** necessary chapters in the reference books
 - **Enjoy** assignment!



Traditional techniques vs deep learning



Eric Wallace
@Eric_Wallace_

The state of NLP in 2019.

I'm talking with an amazing undergrad who has already published multiple papers on BERT-type things.

We are discussing deep into a new idea on pretraining.

Me: What would TFIDF do here, as a simple place to start?

Him:

Me:

Him: What's TFIDF?

1:10 PM · Dec 19, 2019 · [Twitter Web App](#)

238 Retweets **1.4K** Likes

https://twitter.com/Eric_Wallace_/status/1207528697239982080

Do we
understand
our task?

Do we
understand
language?



Language processing is probably hard

- We learn techniques which can be used in **practical**, robust systems that can (partly) understand human language
- This is **not** a language course
 - Computational methods of processing natural languages
 - You are expected to have knowledge of (basic) English grammar

Can

Can ah?	Can you or can't you?	Can hor	You are sure then...
Can lah	Yes.	Can meh?	Are you certain?
Can leh	Yes. I think so.	Can bo?	Can or not?
Can lor	Yes. Of course.	Can can	Confirm
Can hah?	Are you sure?	Can liao	Already can / Done

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Text Data Management and Processing

- Natural Language Processing (NLP)
- Information Retrieval (IR)
- Linguistics



Goals of the field of NLP

- We hope computers could
 - handle our email, do our library research, chat to us...
 - Google: google booking demo
 - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=D5VN56jQMWM>
- Then come the hard problems!
 - How can we tell computers about language?
 - Or help them learn it as kids do?
- In this course
 - We identify many open research problems in NLP
 - We aims to understand language from computing perspective

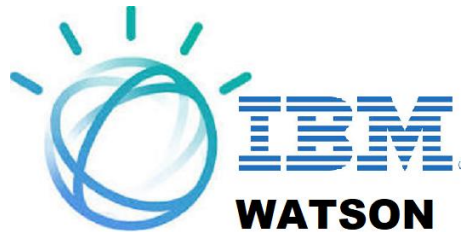


What/where is NLP?

- Goals can be very far reaching ...
 - True text understanding
 - Real-time participation in spoken dialogs
- Or very down-to-earth
 - Finding the price of products on the web
 - Sentiment detection about products or stocks
 - Extracting facts or relations from documents
- These days, the latter predominate (as NLP becomes increasingly practical, it is increasingly engineering oriented)



Commercial world: **Lots** of exciting stuff going on



Chinese (Simplified) ▼	English ▼
知之为知之，不知为不知，是知也。 <small>Edit</small>	Know as know , I do not know as I do not know , that is knowledge .
English ▼	Chinese (Simplified) ▼
Know as know , I do not know as I do not know , that is knowledge . <small>Edit</small>	知道的知道，我不知道，因为我不知道，那就是知识。 Zhīdào de zhīdào, wǒ bù zhīdào, yīnwèi wǒ bù zhīdào, nà jiùshì zhīshì.
Know, admit what you don't know, is know.	
Open in Google Translate	

“It is wise to hold what you know and admit what you don't know.”
– Baidu Zhidao




Example of down-to-earth Applications

- Some deployed applications
 - Machine translation: Chinese < == > English
 - Question answering: Yahoo! Answer, Baidu Zhidao
 - Information extraction: Extracting product information from the Web
 - Text analytics: Sentiment Analysis
- Example <https://alchemy-language-demo.mybluemix.net/>

IBM Watson Developer Cloud

Services



AlchemyLanguage

AlchemyLanguage is a collection of APIs that offer text analysis through natural language processing. This set of APIs can analyze text to help you understand its concepts, entities, keywords, sentiment, and more. Additionally, you can create a custom model for some APIs to get specific results that are tailored to your domain.

Google Translate

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http://www.aljazeera.net/NR/exeres/8FD54E7F-56C5-49A0-B60A-89A67426F3B3.htm

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أخبار في النافذة لتفقد الخط الأزرق والمناطق للخدمة

الثلاثاء 5/8/1427 هـ - الموافق 29/8/2006 (آخر تحديث: الساعة 17:44 (مكة المكرمة)، 14:44 (غرينتش))

استشهاد فلسطينيين وإصابة تسعة في غارات بالضفة والقطاع
أصيب تسعة فلسطينيين بينهم مدنيون في غارة جوية إسرائيلية على حي الشجاعية في قطاع غزة. يأتي ذلك مباشرة بعد استشهاد قاتنين بارزين من كتائب شهداء الأقصى في عملية لقوات الاحتلال الإسرائيلي نفذها سلاح الجو وقوات المشاة في مخيم بلاطة بالضفة الغربية.

البشير يلتقي فريزر ومجلس الأمن لن يفرض قوات بدارفور
من المقرر أن يلتقي الرئيس السوداني عمر البشير جينداي فريزر مساعداً ووزيرة الخارجية الأميركية التي تحاول في الخرطوم إقناع المسؤولين السودانيين بنشر قوة أممية بدارفور. من جانبه قال السفير الأميركي في الأمم المتحدة إنه لا نية لمجلس الأمن بفرض قوات في الإقليم.

رمسفيلد وتشيني يصران على إبقاء القوات الأميركية بالعراق
دعا وزير الدفاع الأميركي دونالد رمسفيلد الأميركيين إلى التحلي بالصبر بخصوص العراق. وانتقد ديك تشيني نائب الرئيس دعوات الديمقراتيين لسحب القوات الأميركية من العراق للربط بين الانسحاب المبكر واحتمال وقوع هجمات داخل الولايات المتحدة.

مقتل مدنيين وإصابة ضابط بهجوم انتحاري في أفغانستان
أعلنت القوة الدولية للمساعدة على إرساء الأمن (إيساف) مقتل مدنيين وإصابة ضابط أفغاني في هجوم استهدف قافلة القوات الأطلسي جنوب أفغانستان. وفي العاصمة كابل انفجرت قنبلة يدوية الصنع لدى مرور سيارة عسكرية تابعة للقوات المسلحة.

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الأربعاء / مباشر
19:05 غرينتش 22:05 مكة
frontiers@aljazeera.net
التفصيلية
الاقتصادية
الرياضية

Killing Palestinians and wounding nine in the raids Sector

Nine Palestinians were wounded among civilians in an Israeli air raid in the neighborhood result in the Gaza Strip. This comes immediately after the killing of two prominent Al-Aqsa Martyrs Brigades in the Israeli occupying forces carried out air and infantry forces in the Balata camp in the West Bank.



Bashir meets Fraser, the Security Council will not impose forces Darfur

Is scheduled to meet with Sudanese President Omar al-Bashir Jenday Fraser Assistant Minister for Foreign Affairs of the American attempt to persuade officials in Khartoum, Sudanese Darfur deployment of the nationalities. For his part, US Ambassador to the United Nations that it has no intention of the Security Council to impose its forces in the province.



Rmsfield and Cheney insist on keeping the American forces in Iraq

Called American Defense Minister Donald Rmsfield Americans to show patience on Iraq. I take Vice President Dick Cheney calls Democrats withdrawal of American forces from Iraq link and the possibility of early withdrawal of attacks inside the United States.



Killing civilians and wounding officer suicide attack in Afghanistan

The international force to help establish security (ISAF) killed civilians and the wounding of an officer in an attack against Afghan forces convoy south Atlantic Afghanistan. In the capital Kabul, a hand grenade exploded at the passage of manufacture French patrol was not reported injuries or damage.



Web Q/A

- Get answers directly
 - Without the need of clicking, Recommend related questions, Retrieve relevant information

Google search results for "what is the population of singapore".

Search results summary: About 50,600,000 results (0.78 seconds)

Singapore / Population

5.399 million (2013)

Line graph showing population trends from 1960 to 2010 for Singapore, Hong Kong, and Kuala Lumpur.

Year	Singapore	Hong Kong	Kuala Lumpur
1960	~1.5M	~2.5M	-
1970	~2.0M	~3.5M	-
1980	~2.5M	~4.5M	-
1990	~3.0M	~5.5M	-
2000	~3.5M	~6.5M	~1.5M
2010	~4.5M	~7.0M	~1.8M

Legend: Hong Kong 7.198 million (2013), Singapore 5.399 million (2013), Kuala Lumpur -

Explore more

Sources include: World Bank, UNdata

Feedback

People also ask

Is Singapore population increasing?

Singapore population 2016 | Current population of Singapore
countrymeters.info/en/Singapore

As of 1 January 2016, the population of Singapore was estimated to be 5 664 322 people. ... The sex ratio of the total population was 1.017 (1 017 males per 1 000 females) which is lower than global sex ratio. ... During 2016 Singapore population is projected to increased by 111 304 people ...

Singapore
Country in Asia

Singapore, an island city-state off southern Malaysia, is a global financial centre with a tropical climate and multicultural population. In circa-1820 Chinatown stands the red-and-gold Buddha's Tooth Relic Temple, Little India offers colorful souvenirs and Arab Street is lined with fabric shops. Singapore is also known for eclectic street fare, served in hawker centres such as Tiong Bahru and Maxwell Road.

Related statistics

Statistic	Value
GDP per capita	55,182.48 USD (2013)
Gross domestic product	297.9 billion USD (2013)
Life expectancy	82.14 years (2012)

Population elsewhere

Country	Population
Malaysia	29.72 million (2013)
Thailand	67.01 million (2013)
Australia	23.13 million (2013)

Another example in Web search

Google search results for 'sq800'. The search bar shows 'sq800' and a magnifying glass icon. Below the search bar are tabs for 'All', 'Images', 'Videos', 'News', 'Maps', 'More', and 'Search tools'. The 'All' tab is selected. Below the tabs, it says 'About 32,500 results (0.48 seconds)'. The main result is for 'Singapore Airlines Flight 800', which is marked as 'SCHEDULED'. It shows a route from SIN to PEK. The flight is scheduled for Thursday, 4 Aug. The departure is at 1:10 AM from Terminal 3, Gate -. The arrival is at 7:25 AM at Terminal 3, Gate -.

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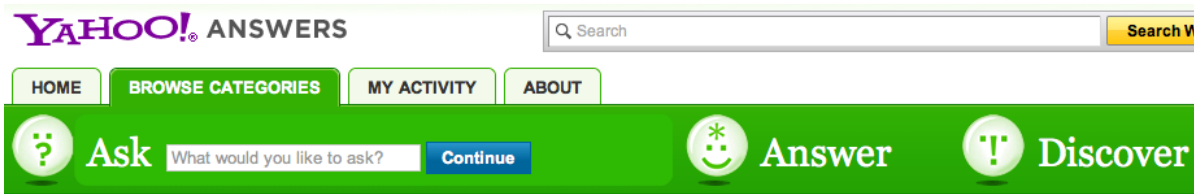
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Community based QnA



Home > Search Results for "What is the cost of living in Singapore?"

Search

Search Yahoo! Answers Advanced Search

Refine search

Keyword match in

All Q&A

Category

All Categories

Location

All English questions

Question Status

All Questions

Number of Answers

Any Number of Answers

Date Submitted

Anytime

Search Results

Sort by: Relevance Newest Most Answers

Cost of Living Calculator

Side-by-Side City Comparison of Categories

[Bankrate.com/CostOfLiving](#)

Singapore Job Search

Post Your Resume 100% Free. And Get Hin

[SingaporeJobs77.com](#)

! singapore living cost for family

...relocate to **singapore** from india in ... my wife and small baby boy. my job pl Bangkok Bank Building **Singapore 06** the exp for living. and what should be ... In Singapore - Asked by deepak - 2 a

What is the cost of living in Si

salary for 9yrs IT experience? ... for a job opportunity in **Singapore**. there and reasonable package that I... 2 ☆ In Singapore - Asked by girlishere - :

All Questions

newest 407 featured frequent votes active unanswered

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6 votes

1 answer

102 views

"We had this mapping values are not allowed here" on YAML tag

I have a .yaml file open in Netbeans 8.1 which looks like the following: --- rules: - ltp aoi topology TopologyRule labels: - empty_A output: - entry_B Netbeans has a ...

netbeans yaml

asked Jan 23 at 22:10

[karobar](#) 186 2 19

+50

11 votes

2 answers

131 views

Webpack - Style sheet loading but no fonts

I am able to see my stylesheet in the page without problems. However I cannot get my webfonts to work. I have tried to save the output of my css which doesn't happen. I believe this is why the fonts ...

javascript css fonts sass webpack

asked Jul 22 at 0:58

[Jamie Hutber](#) 8,671 17 57 120

+100

11 votes

4 answers

972 views

Android emulator failed to start after 360 seconds

I have Jenkins 1.568 installed on a Macbook Air running Ubuntu 14.04. I have the android emulator plugin installed, and the configuration I have set up runs the emulator in -no-window mode before ...

android jenkins

asked Jun 27 '14 at 19:19

[jwir3](#) 2,615 3 21 53

407 questions

Related Tags

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ios × 37

python × 32

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more related tags

Hot Network Questions

What does being "Linear" mean for a transformation and a function intuitively/graphically?



The hidden structure of language

- We're going beneath the surface...
 - Not just string processing
 - Not just keyword matching in a search engine
 - Search Google on “tennis racquet” and “tennis racquets” or “laptop” and “notebook” and the results are quite different ... though these days Google does lots of subtle stuff beyond keyword matching itself
- We want to recover and manipulate at least some aspects of language structure and meaning



Example tasks (1)

- Word-level processing
 - Task 1: Locate all verbs and verbs only
 - E.g. the tower collapsed as a **result** of safety violations
 - *Is 'result' here a noun or a verb?*
- Syntactic processing
 - Task 2: Answer “Who killed John?”
 - E.g. “Mary killed John.”
 - E.g. “John was killed by Mary.”
 - E.g. “The guy who loved Mary killed John.”
 - E.g. “Mary is not sure of who killed John.”
 - *Hint: find subject of ‘killed’ whose object is ‘John’*

Example tasks (2)

- Semantic processing
 - Task 3: Answer “Who killed John?”
 - E.g. Mary **assassinated** John.
 - Task 4: Answer “Who snores?”
 - E.g. **Everyone who** smokes snores and **John** smokes.
- Discourse analysis
 - Task 5: Answer “Who killed John?”
 - E.g. Mary threw **John** into sea. **He** drowned.

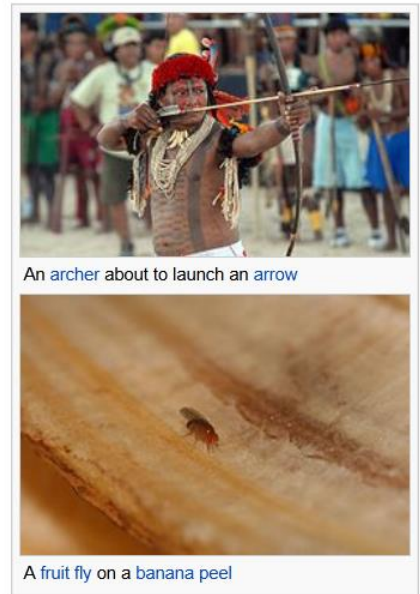
Learning Objective for the NLP topics

- You will learn natural language processing at a basic level, establishing a solid understanding on the theory of morphological, syntactic, and semantic analysis.
- With that, you will gain skills to apply the NLP techniques to real-world problems by using NLP packages and toolkits.
- Upon completion of the course, you should be able to:
 - Understand and analyze the linguistic characteristics of written English
 - Design and develop a NLP system to analyze and process a general corpus
 - Troubleshoot for domain-specific NLP applications



Caveat

- Why NLP is difficult? NLP has an AI aspect to it.
 - The language is hugely **ambiguous**
 - We don't often come up with exact solutions/algorithms
- Example
 - Time *flies* like an arrow.
 - Fruit *flies* like a banana.
- What is “Java”?
 - [https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Java_\(disambiguation\)](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Java_(disambiguation))



Ambiguity is Pervasive

- Find at least 5 meanings of this sentence: **I made her duck**
 - “**duck**” (lexical category): can be a noun or verb
 - “**her**” (lexical category): can be a possessive (“of her”) or dative (“for her”) pronoun
 - “**make**” (lexical semantics): can mean “create” or “cook”, and about 100 other things as well

- ✓ I cooked waterfowl for her
- ✓ I cooked waterfowl belonging to her
- ✓ I created the (plaster?) duck she owns
- ✓ I caused her to quickly lower her head and body
- ✓ I waved my magic wand and turned her into undifferentiated waterfowl

Language is still the ultimate UI (Example: Siri)



Learning Objective for the IR topics

- How to **build** your own search engine, or **customize** an existing text search engine
- How to enhance applications using IR, e.g.,
 - Cluster text-like information such as microarray data
 - Find similar actions / data / objects
 - Analyze text/dialogues (e.g., Facebook posts, Twitter, comments)
- How to build your own n-th Generation IR killer app
 - Matching people based on their preferences
 - Recommending similar products through keywords or content

This course will NOT cover

- Non-text data
 - Image
 - Video
- Semi-structured data and NoSQL databases
- Structured Data Retrieval
 - SQL

What is IR?

- What to retrieve?
 - bookmarks like del.icio.us
 - people, like linkedIn, facebook
 - books (in library or on Amazon)
 - text (web pages, medical reports, assignment reports)
 - image (photos, flickr)
 - video (home movies, youtube)
- Information Retrieval vs. Text Mining



What is Text Mining?

- “The objective of **Text Mining** is to **exploit** information contained in textual documents in various ways, including ...**discovery** of patterns and trends in data, associations among entities, predictive rules, etc.”
- Grobelnik et al., 2001
- “Another way to view **text data mining** is as a **process** of exploratory data analysis that **leads** to heretofore **unknown** information, or to answers for questions for which the answer is **not** currently **known**”
-Hearst, 1999

Text vs Data Mining

- When it comes to finding **novel** Nuggets, **data** and **text** mining share many of the **same techniques**

Data	Finding Patterns	Finding “Nuggets”	
		Novel	Non-Novel
Non-textual data	General Data Mining	Exploratory Data Analysis	Database Queries or other techniques
Textual data	Computational Linguistics		Information Retrieval

Is IR relevant to you?

- You are given a computer
 - Without Internet connection
 - With Internet connection, but
 - Search engines blocked
 - Search button blocked



General

Name ⇅	Language ⇅
Baidu	Chinese, Japanese
Bing	Multilingual
DuckDuckGo	Multilingual
Exalead	Multilingual
Gigablast	English
Google	Multilingual
Munax	Multilingual
Qwant	Multilingual
Sogou	Chinese
Soso.com	Chinese
Yahoo!	Multilingual
Yandex	Multilingual
Youdao	Chinese

Metasearch engines

See also: [Metasearch engine](#)

Name ⇅	Language ⇅
Blingo	English
Yippy (formerly Clusty)	English
DeeperWeb	English
Dogpile	English
Excite	English
HotBot	English
Info.com	English
Ixquick (StartPage)	Multilingual
Kayak and SideStep	Multilingual
Mamma	
Metacrawler	English
Mobissimo	Multilingual
Otalo	English
PCH Search and Win	
Skyscanner	Multilingual
WebCrawler	English

Text Mining Research Areas

- Information Retrieval (IR)
 - Search Engines
 - Classification
 - Recommendation
- Information Extraction (IE)
 - Product Information (e.g. price) scraping
 - Name entity recognition
- Information Understanding
 - Natural Language Processing (NLP)
 - Question Answering
 - Concept Extraction from Newsgroup
 - Visualization, Summarization
- Cross-Lingual Text Mining
- Trend Detection
 - Outlier Detection
 - Event Detection

The top 500 sites on the web. ⓘ

Global

By Country

By Category

1	Google.com Enables users to search the world's information, including webpages, images, and videos. Offers... More
2	Facebook.com A social utility that connects people, to keep up with friends, upload photos, share links and ... More
3	Youtube.com YouTube is a way to get your videos to the people who matter to you. Upload, tag and share your... More
4	Baidu.com The leading Chinese language search engine, provides "simple and reliable" search exp... More
5	Yahoo.com A major internet portal and service provider offering search results, customizable content, cha... More
6	Amazon.com Amazon.com seeks to be Earth's most customer-centric company, where customers can find and disc... More
7	Wikipedia.org A free encyclopedia built collaboratively using wiki software. (Creative Commons Attribution-Sh... More
8	Qq.com China's largest and most used Internet service portal owned by Tencent, Inc founded in Nov... More
9	Google.co.in Indian version of this popular search engine. Search the whole web or only webpages from India... More
10	Twitter.com Social networking and microblogging service utilising instant messaging, SMS or a web interface.

<http://www.alex.com/topsites>

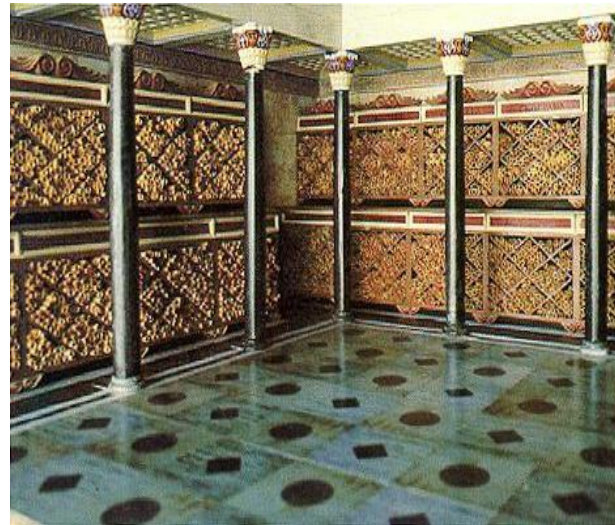
How to Retrieve Information?

- Example
 - Scan through every book in library/store bookshelf
 - View every image/video
- To speed up IR:
 - Must scan every piece of information before retrieving
 - Google/Bing tries to download the entire Web
 - **Indexing** = Scan everything = remember **where each information is located**
 - “1984” located at Level 2 Shelf 34 of National Library
 - List of documents containing “1984” stored on harddrive /dev/sda



Let's start with some history (not covered in exam)

- 300B.C.: Great Library of Alexandria, Egypt
 - Most books stored in armaria (closed, labeled cupboards) that were still used for book storage in medieval times



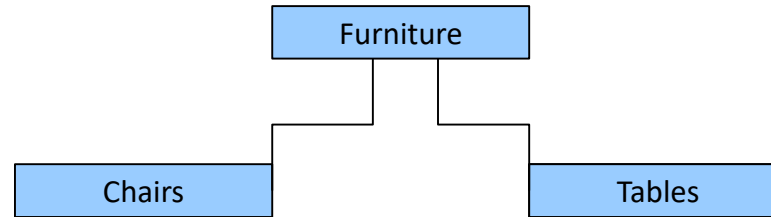
Classical Indexing

- **Indexing**
 - **Human Librarians** construct document surrogates by assigning identifiers to text items.
- **Includes**
 - Keyword Indexing
 - Similar to Modern Day's Search Engine Index
 - Subject Indexing
 - Similar to Modern Day's Classification Engine



Subject Indexing - Classification

- Hierarchical structure
 - Similar Subjects @ same level



- Goals of Classification
 - Collocate subjects
 - group all documents of same subject together on shelves & put them next to related subjects.
 - Define & Assign code (Call Number) to document
 - to facilitate identification from the catalogue and to shelf location

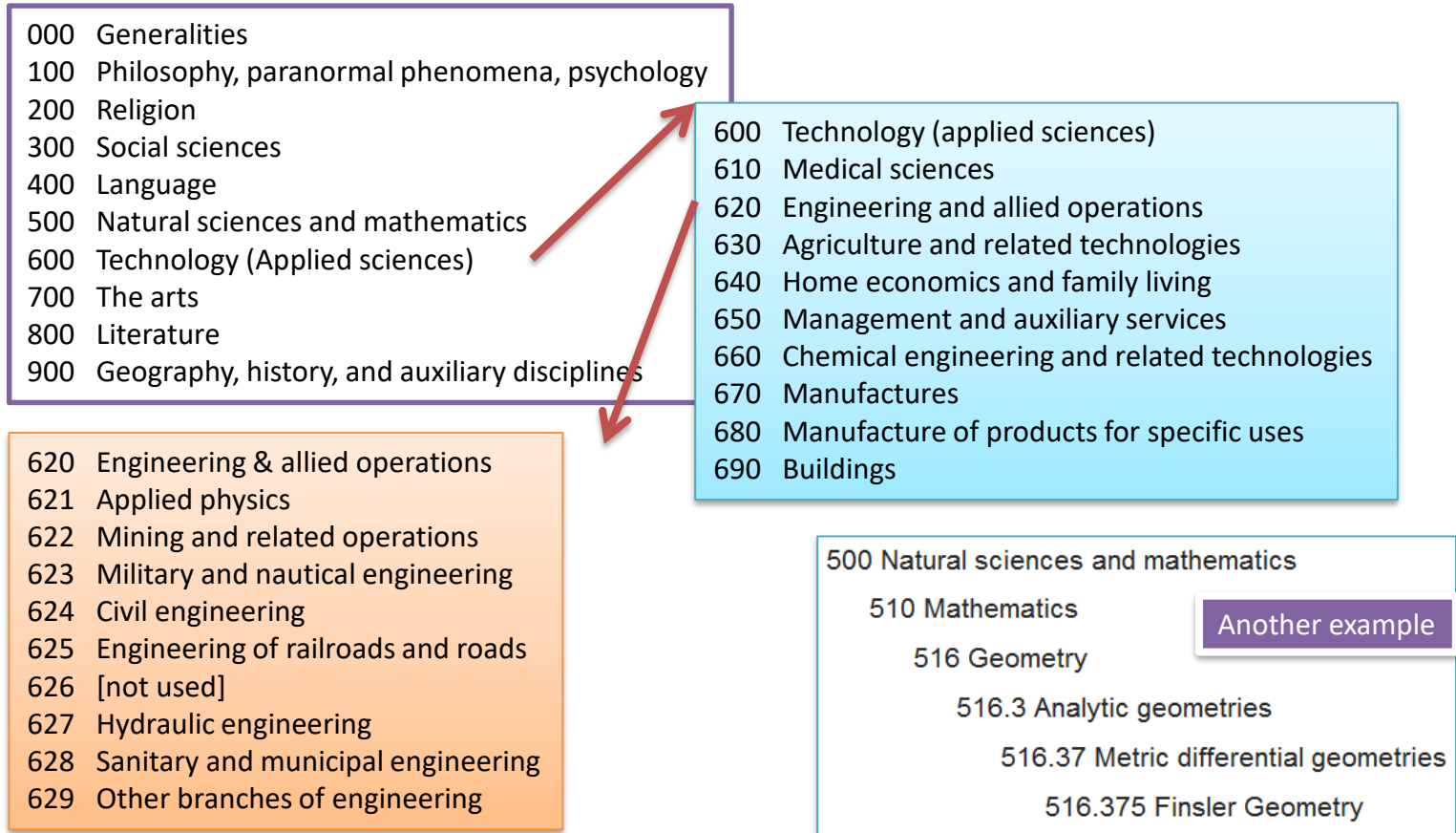
Dewey Decimal Classification (DDC)

- Most widely used
 - Used by > 135 countries
- Translated into more than 30 languages
 - Arabic, Chinese, French, Greek, Hebrew, Icelandic, Russian, Spanish.
- Universe of knowledge divided into 10 main classes.
 - Each class divided into 10 main divisions, ...
 - until all disciplines, subjects and concepts are defined.
- Currently: 23rd edition (2011)



http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Dewey_Decimal_Classification

DDC Example



DDC Pain

- DDC Classification **Guidelines**
 - **Determine** the subject of a work
 - **Determine** the disciplinary focus of a work
 - Refer to the **schedules**
- Rules to handle a document in multiple classes
 - **First-of-two Rule**: When two subjects receive equal treatment, classify the work with the subject whose number comes first in the schedules
 - **Rule of Application**: Classify a work dealing with interrelated subjects with the subject that is acted upon



Classical Indexing

The Natural Language problem:

- **Low consistency:**
 - People use **different** words to refer to same things
 - People use same words to refer to **different** things
- Objective in IR:
 - Search & retrieval of documents (or records) require some level of intellectual control over the item and its **contents**, at the same time, recognizing the need for **flexibility**

Classical Indexing

- **Keyword indexing (Google)**
 - Index entries generated from the title and/or keywords from the text.
 - **No** intellectual process of **text analysis** or **abstraction**
- **Subject indexing (Yahoo)**
 - Involves analysis of the subject by humans / computers

Arts & Humanities Photography, History, Literature...	News & Media Newspapers, Radio, Weather, Blogs...
Business & Economy B2B, Finance, Shopping, Jobs...	Recreation & Sports Sports, Travel, Autos, Outdoors...
Computer & Internet Hardware, Software, Web, Games...	Reference Phone Numbers, Dictionaries, Quotes...
Education Colleges, K-12, Distance Learning...	Regional Countries, Regions, U.S. States...
Entertainment Movies, TV Shows, Music, Humor...	Science Animals, Astronomy, Earth Science...
Government Elections, Military, Law, Taxes...	Social Science Languages, Archaeology, Psychology...
Health Disease, Drugs, Fitness, Nutrition...	Society & Culture Sexuality, Religion, Food & Drink...
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Classical Indexing Problems

Effectiveness of indexing depends on:

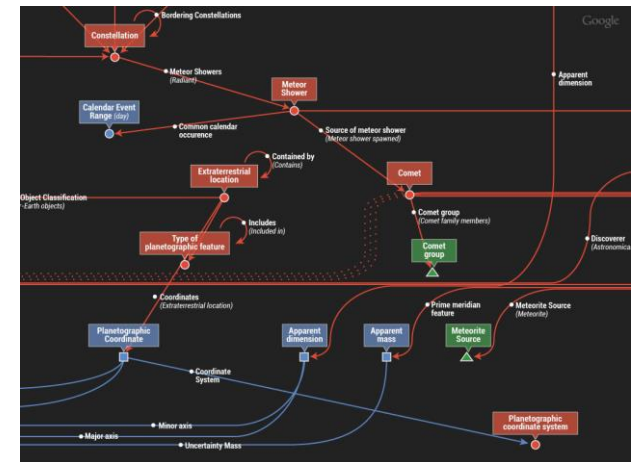
- Indexing **Exhaustiveness**
 - extent to which the subject matter of a given document has been reflected through the index entries
- Term **Specificity**
 - how broad/specific are the terms/keywords



Vocabulary Control: Controlled vs Natural language indexing

- Controlled language
 - Use of **vocabulary control** tool in indexing
 - Semantic Web
 - Dublin Core
 - XML Ontologies
- Natural language (free text)
 - Any term in the document may be an index term. No mechanism controls the indexing process
 - Modern Search Engine

How about Google Knowledge Graph?



Results?

Yahoo killing off Yahoo after 20 years of hierarchical organization

The Yahoo Directory will be retired at the end of the year.

by Peter Bright - Sept 27 2014, 7:55am MPST

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A Modern IR System (Search Engine)

- Crawler
- Indexer
- Searcher

