

#### Module 2

Sentence Segmentation – Language Specific issues- Text Normalization – Stemming – Inflectional and Derivation Morphology – Morphological Analysis and Generation using Finite State Transducers – Introduction to poS Tagging – Hidden Markov Models for PoS Tagging – Viterbi Decoding for HMM



### **Basic Text Processing**

**Regular Expressions** 



## Conversational Agents

Simple pattern-based methods assists in Answering questions, booking flights, or finds restaurants. Tool for describing pattern => Regular Expression



#### **Text Normalization**

- Normalizing text means converting it to a more convenient, standard form.
- · Tasks in Normalization
  - Tokenization Separating out or tokenizing words from running text
  - Lemmatization Task of determining that two words have the same root  $% \left( 1\right) =\left( 1\right) \left( 1\right) \left($
  - Stemming Simpler version of lemmatization, striping suffixes from the end of the word.
  - Sentence Segmentation Breaking up a text into individual sentences, using cues like sentence segmentation periods or exclamation points.
  - Edit Distance A metric that measures how similar two strings are based on the number of edits (insertions, deletions, substitutions) it takes to change one string into the other



#### Regular expressions

- A formal language for specifying text strings
- Concatenation Characters in sequence
- Regular Expressions Case Sensitive
  - /s/ not same as /S/
    - -> [sS]
- · How can we search for any of these?
  - woodchuck
  - woodchucks
  - WoodchuckWoodchucks

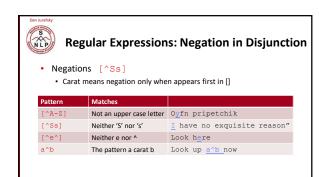


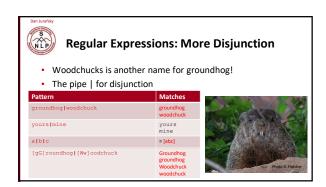
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Pattern	Matches

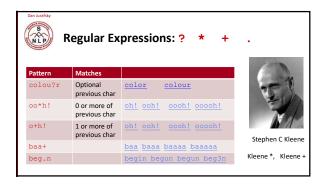
Pattern	Matches
[wW]oodchuck	Woodchuck, woodchuck
[1234567890]	Any digit

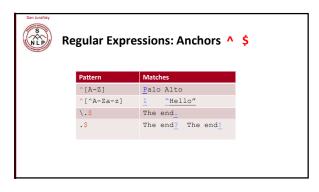
• Ranges [A-Z]

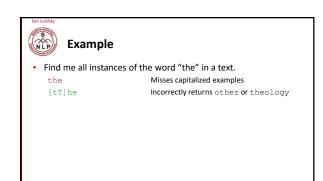
Pattern	Matches	
[A-Z]	An upper case letter	Drenched Blossoms
[a-z]	A lower case letter	my beans were impatient
[0-9]	A single digit	Chapter 1: Down the Rabbit Hole
[abc]	'a', 'b', or 'c'	"In uomini, in sold <u>a</u> ti"

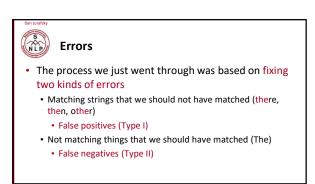








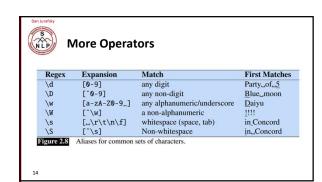






#### Errors cont.

- In NLP we are always dealing with these kinds of errors.
- Reducing the error rate for an application often involves:
  - Increasing accuracy or precision (minimizing false positives)
  - Increasing coverage or recall (minimizing false negatives).





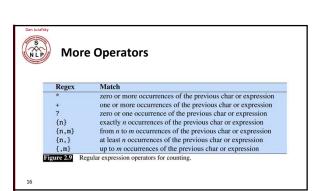
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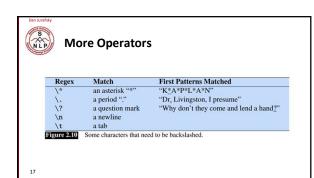
/{3}/ means "exactly 3 occurrences of the previous character or expression"

/a\. $\{24\}z$ / will match a followed by 24 dots followed by z

 $/{n,m}$ / specifies from n to m occurrences of the previous char or expression

/{n,}/ means at least n occurrences of the previous expression.







- The use of parentheses to store a pattern in memory is called a capture group.
- Every time a capture group is used (i.e., parentheses surround a pattern), the resulting match is stored in a numbered register.
- If you match two different sets of parentheses, \2 means whatever matched the second capture group.

Example

/the (.\*)er they (.\*), the \1er we \2/

will match the faster they ran, the faster we ran but not the faster they ran, the faster we ate.



#### Non Capturing group

- Use parentheses for grouping, but don't want to capture the resulting pattern in a register.
- In that case use a non-capturing group, which is specified by putting the special commands ?: after the open parenthesis, in the form (?: pattern ).

/(?:some|a few) (people|cats) like some \1/
=>Matches some cats like some cats
but does not match some cats like some some

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#### Substitutions

• Substitution Operator - s/regexp1/pattern/

s/([0-9]+)/<\1>/

For example, suppose we wanted to put angle brackets around all integers in a text.

For example, changing the 35 boxes to the <35> boxes.

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#### Sample Application - ELIZA

How ELIZA works

s/.\* I'M (depressed|sad) .\*/I AM SORRY TO HEAR YOU ARE \1/ s/.\* I AM (depressed|sad) .\*/WHY DO YOU THINK YOU ARE \1/ s/.\* all .\*/IN WHAT WAY?/

s/.\* always .\*/CAN YOU THINK OF A SPECIFIC EXAMPLE?/

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#### Summary

- Regular expressions play a surprisingly large role
  - Sophisticated sequences of regular expressions are often the first model for any text processing text
- For many hard tasks, we use machine learning classifiers
  - But regular expressions are used as features in the classifiers
  - Can be very useful in capturing generalizations

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#### **Digital Assignment 1**

• Create a simple chatbot using regular expressions



Write regular expressions for the following languages.

- 1. the set of all alphabetic strings
- 2. the set of all lower case alphabetic strings ending in a b:
- 3. the set of all strings from the alphabet a,b such that each a is immediately preceded by and immediately followed by a b;



- Write regular expressions for the following languages. By "word", we mean an alphabetic string separated from other words by whitespace, any relevant punctuation, line breaks, and so forth.
- 1. The set of all strings with two consecutive repeated words (e.g., "Humbert Humbert" and "the the" but not "the bug" or "the big bug");
- 2. All strings that start at the beginning of the line with an integer and that end at the end of the line with a word;
- 3. All strings that have both the word grotto and the word raven in them (but not, e.g., words like grottos that merely contain the word grotto);

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# **Basic Text Processing**

Word tokenization



#### **Text Normalization**

- Every NLP task needs to do text normalization:
- 1. Segmenting/tokenizing words in running text
- 2. Normalizing word formats
- 3. Segmenting sentences in running text



#### How many words?

- · Two kinds of disfluencies in running text
  - Fragments(incomplete words), filled pauses(uh,um...)
  - I do uh main- mainly business data processing
- · Word types and word instances
  - Word types No.of distinct words in the corpus
  - Word instances No.of. Running words



#### Lemma, Word Form and Lemmatization

- A lemma/ citation form
  - Grammatical for used to represent a lexeme.
  - The lemma or citation form for sing, sang, sung is sing
- The wordform is the full inflected or derived form of the word.
  - Sing, sang, sung
- The process of mapping from a wordform to a lemma is called lemmatization.

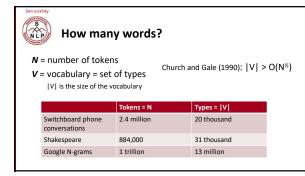
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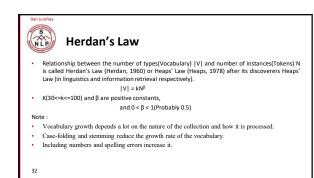


#### How many words?

they lay back on the San Francisco grass and looked at the stars and their

- Type: an element of the vocabulary.
- Token: an instance of that type in running text.
- How many?
  - 15 tokens (or 14)
  - 13 types (or 12) (or 11?)







#### **Word Tokenization**

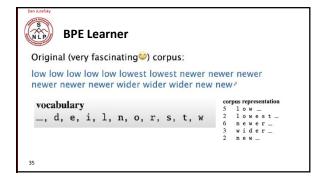
- · Three Algorithms
  - Byte Pair Encoding(BPE)
  - Unigram Language Modeling Tokenization
  - Wordpiece
- All have 2 parts
  - A token Learner > Takes a raw training corpus and induces Vocabulary( A set of tokens)
  - A toke Segmenter that takes a raw sentence and tokenizes according to the vocabulary.

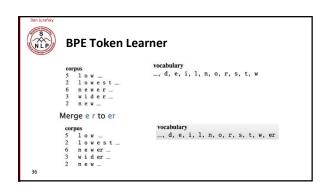
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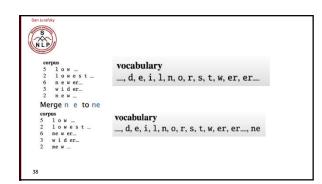


#### **Byte Pair Encoding**

- Consider the Vocabulary { A, B, C, ......a,b,c.....}
- · Repeat :
- Choose the two symbols that are more frequently adjacent in the training corpus(say 'A' and 'B')
- Add a new merged symbol 'AB' to the vocabulary
- Replace every occurrence of 'A' 'B' with 'AB'
- Until "k" merges are done
- The Byte Pair Encoding algorithm is a commonly-used tokenizer that is found in many transformer models such as GPT and GPT-2 models









The next merges are:

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Merge Current Vocabulary
(ne, w) ___, d, e, i, l, n, o, r, s, t, w, er, er__, ne, new
(l, o) ___, d, e, i, l, n, o, r, s, t, w, er, er__, ne, new, lo
(lo, w) ___, d, e, i, l, n, o, r, s, t, w, er, er__, ne, new, lo, low
(new, er__) __, d, e, i, l, n, o, r, s, t, w, er, er__, ne, new, lo, low, newer__
(low, __) __, d, e, i, l, n, o, r, s, t, w, er, er__, ne, new, lo, low, newer__, low__
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#### **BPE Token Segmenter**

On the test data, run each merge learned from the training data:

- Greedily
- In the order we learned them
- (test frequencies don't play a role)

So: merge every e r to er, then merge er \_ to er\_, etc.

#### Result:

- Test set "n e w e r \_ " would be tokenized as a full word
- But "lower\_" would be tokenized as 2 new tokens: low and er\_

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• Construct the vocabulary for the given corpus :

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• INITIAL CORPUS:

[(['c', 'a', 't'], 5), (['c', 'a', 't', 's'], 2), (['e', 'a', 't'], 10), (['e', 'a', 't', 'i', 'n', 'g'], 3), (['r', 'u', 'n', 'n', 'i', 'n', 'g'], 2), (['j', 'u', 'm', 'p', 'i', 'n', 'g'], 1), (['f', 'o', 'o', 'd'], 6)]

NEW MERGE RULE: Combine "a" and "t" [(['c', 'at'], 5), (['c', 'at', 's'], 2), (['e', 'at'], 10), (['e', 'at', 'i', 'n', 'g'], 3), (['r', 'u', 'n', 'n', 'i', 'n', 'g'], 2), (['j', 'u', 'm', 'p', 'i', 'n', 'g'], 1), (['f', 'o', 'o', 'd'], 6)]



NEW MERGE RULE: Combine "e" and "at"
[(['c', 'at'], 5), (['c', 'at', 's'], 2), (['eat'], 10),
(['eat', 'i', 'n', 'g'], 3), (['r', 'u', 'n', 'n', 'i', 'n', 'g'], 2),
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NEW MERGE RULE: Combine "i" and "n"
[(['cat'], 5), (['cat', 's'], 2), (['eat'], 10), (['eat', 'in', 'g'], 3),
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#### Language Issues

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#### **Issues in Tokenization**

Clitic - A clitic is a part of a word that can't stand
on its own, and can only occur when it is attached to
another word.

- Finland's capital  $\rightarrow$  Finland Finlands Finland's ?
- what're, I'm, isn't → What are, I am, is not
   Hewlett-Packard → Hewlett Packard?
- state-of-the-art → state of the art ?
- Lowercase  $\rightarrow$  lower-case lowercase lower case ?
- San Francisco → one token or two?
- m.p.h., PhD.  $\rightarrow$  ??

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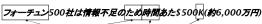
#### **Tokenization: language issues**

- French
  - *L'ensemble* → one token or two?
    - L?L'?Le?
    - Want I'ensemble to match with un ensemble
- German noun compounds are not segmented
- Lebensversicherungsgesellschaftsangestellter
- · 'life insurance company employee'
- German information retrieval needs compound splitter

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#### **Tokenization: language issues**

- Chinese and Japanese no spaces between words:
  - 莎拉波娃现在居住在美国东南部的佛罗里达。
  - 莎拉波娃 现在 居住 在 美国 东南部 的 佛罗里达
  - Sharapova now lives in US southeastern Florida
- Further complicated in Japanese, with multiple alphabets intermingled
  - Dates/amounts in multiple formats



Katakana

Hiragana

Kanji

End-user can express query entirely in hiragana!

#### Collocation

- Selection of Collocation by frequency
   Selection of Collocation by mean
- Selection of Collocation by variance of the distance between the focal word and collocating word
- Mutual Information



### **Basic Text Processing**

Word Normalization and Stemming

#### Normalization

- · Need to "normalize" terms
  - Information Retrieval: indexed text & query terms must have same form.
    - · We want to match U.S.A. and USA
- We implicitly define equivalence classes of terms
  - e.g., deleting periods in a term
- Alternative: asymmetric expansion:
  - Enter: window Search: window, window · Enter: windows Search: Windows, windows, window
  - Enter: Windows Search: Windows
- Potentially more powerful, but less efficient



#### **Case folding**

- · Applications like Information Retrieval: reduce all letters to lower case
  - Since users tend to use lower case
  - · Possible exception: upper case in mid-sentence?
    - e.g., General Motors
    - Fed vs. fed
  - SAIL vs. sail
- For sentiment analysis, Machine Translation, Information extraction
  - Case is helpful (US versus us is important)



#### **Lemmatization and Stemming**



#### Lemmatization

How is lemmatization done?

- The most sophisticated methods for lemmatization involve complete morphological parsing of the word.
  - Morphemes:
    - The small meaningful units that make up words
    - Stems: The core meaning-bearing units
    - Affixes: Bits and pieces that adhere to stems Often with grammatical functions
  - Reduce inflections or variant forms to base form
  - 1. am, are, is  $\rightarrow$  be 2. car, cars, car's, cars'  $\rightarrow$  car

the boy's cars are different colors  $\rightarrow$  the boy car be different color

Lemmatization: have to find correct dictionary head wordform



#### Stemming

- · Reduce terms to their stems in information retrieval
- · Stemming is crude chopping of affixes
  - · language dependent
  - e.g.,  $\it automate(s)$  ,  $\it automatic$  ,  $\it automation$  all reduced to  $\it automat$  .

for example compressed and compression are both accepted as equivalent to



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#### **Stemmer Algorithms**

- · Porter Stemmer -
- Encodings of the Basic Algorithm Porter Stemming Algorithm (tartarus.org)
- Snowball Stemmer
- Lancaster Stemmer



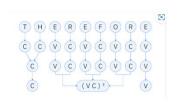
#### **Porter Stemmer - Definitions**

- A \consonant\ in a word is a letter other than A, E, I, O or U, and other than Y preceded by a
- If a letter is not a consonant it is a \vowel\.
- A list ccc... of length greater than 0 will be denoted by C, and a list vvv... of length greater than 0 will be denoted by V. Any word, or part of a word, therefore has one of the four forms:

   CVCV... C
   CVCV... C

  - Viv..... Viv. These may all be represented by the single form [CJVCVC... [V] where the square brackets denote arbitrary presence of their contents. Using [VC](m) to denote VC repetied in times, this may again be written as, [CJVCVC]m][V]:
- m will be called the \measure\ of any word or word part when represented in this form.





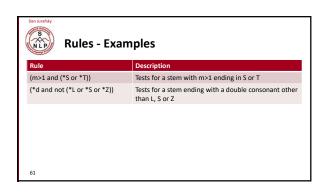


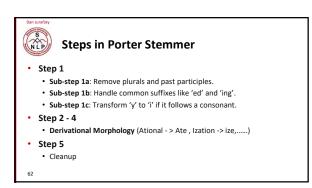
- Examples
  - m=0 TR, EE, TREE, Y, BY.
  - m=1 TROUBLE, OATS, TREES, IVY.
  - m=2 TROUBLES, PRIVATE, OATEN, ORRERY.

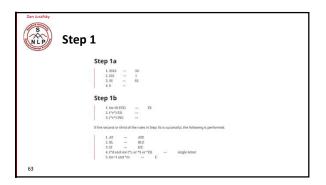
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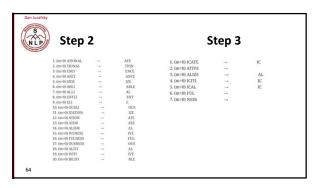
Trules\ for removing a suffix will be given in the form (condition) S1 -> S2

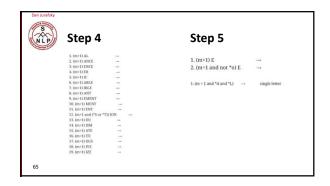
- The condition is usually given in terms of m,
- e.g. (m > 1) EMENT ->
- The `condition' part may also contain the following:
  - \*S the stem ends with S (and similarly for the other letters).
  - \*v\* the stem contains a vowel.
  - \*d the stem ends with a double consonant (e.g. -TT, -SS).
  - \*o the stem ends cvc, where the second c is not W, X or Y (e.g.-WIL, -HOP).
- $^{60}$   $\,$  the condition part may also contain expressions with \and\, \or\ and \not\

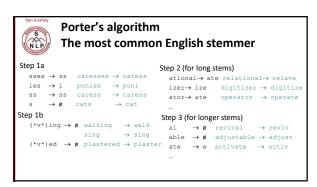












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Viewing morphology in a corpus
Why only strip —ing if there is a vowel?

(*v*)ing → Ø walking → walk
singing → sing
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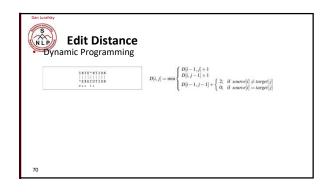
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375 being 110 morning
358 thing 122 having
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165 coming 116 Being
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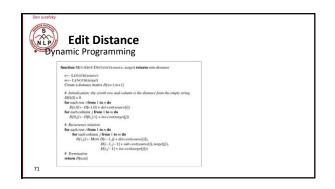
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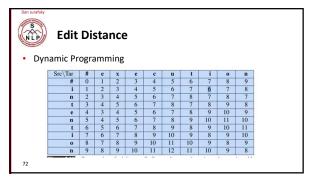
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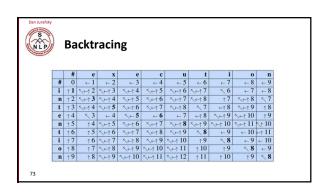
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Dealing with complex morphology is sometimes necessary

• Some languages requires complex morpheme segmentation
• Turkish
• Uygarlastiramadiklarimizdanmissinizcasina
• `(behaving) as if you are among those whom we could not civilize'
• Uygar `civilized' + las `become'
+ tir `cause' + ama `not able'
+ dik `past' + lar 'plural'
+ imiz 'p1pl' + dan 'abl'
+ mis 'past' + siniz '2pl' + casina 'as if'
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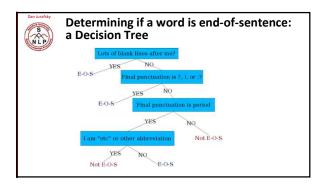






# **Basic Text Processing**

Sentence Segmentation and Decision Trees





#### More sophisticated decision tree features

- Case of word with ".": Upper, Lower, Cap, Number
- Case of word after ".": Upper, Lower, Cap, Number
- · Numeric features
  - Length of word with "."
  - Probability(word with "." occurs at end-of-s)
  - Probability(word after "." occurs at beginning-of-s)



#### **Implementing Decision Trees**

- A decision tree is just an if-then-else statement
- The interesting research is choosing the features
- Setting up the structure is often too hard to do by hand
  - $\bullet \ \ \text{Hand-building only possible for very simple features, domains}$
  - For numeric features, it's too hard to pick each threshold
  - Instead, structure usually learned by machine learning from a training corpus



#### **Decision Trees and other classifiers**

- We can think of the questions in a decision tree
- As features that could be exploited by any kind of classifier
  - Logistic regression
  - SVM
  - Neural Nets
  - etc.