

Natural Language Toolkit (NLTK)

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NLTK





- Open source python modules and linguistic data for Natural Language Processing application
- Tokenization, Lemmatizazion, POS tagging, chunking, parsing...
- Several corpora: Brown, Penn Treebank corpus, Gutenberg...
- Developed by group of people, project leaders: Steven Bird, Edward Loper, Ewan Klein

Preparing NLTK





- We need data to experiment with:
 - import nltk
 - nltk.download()

Basic commands





- Data from book:
 - from nltk.book import *
- See what is it
 - print(text1)
- Search the word:
 - text1.concordance("monstrous")
- Find similar words:
 - text1.similar("monstrous")

Basic commands





- Counting vocab
 - len(text4) gives tokens (words and punctuations)
- Vocabulary (unique words) used by author
 - len(set(text1))

Basic commands





- See sorted vocabulary(upper case first!)
 - sorted(set(text1))
- Measuring richness of text
 - len(text1)/len(set(text1))
 - before division import for floating point division from __future__ import division
- Counting occurances
 - text1.count("monstruous")



Frequency distribution



- Frequency distribution tells us the frequency of each vocabulary item in the text
- It is a distribution since it tells us how the total number of word token are distributed across the vocabulary

```
import nltk.probability
fdist = FreqDist(text1)
vocabulary = fdist.keys()
print(vocabulary[:50])
```



Tokenization



• Break up the string into words and puntuaction

```
from nltk.tokenize import word_tokenize
sentence="There is a tree near the river."
tokens = nltk.word_tokenize(sentence)
text = nltk.Text(tokens)
print(tokens)
```

```
['There', 'is', 'a', 'tree', 'near', 'the', 'river', '.']
```



Remove Stopwords



```
from nltk.corpus import stopwords
en_stops = set(stopwords.words('english'))
all_words = ['There', 'is', 'a',
'tree', 'near', 'the', 'river', '.']
  for word in all_words:
    if word not in en_stops:
        print(word)
```



Lemmatization



```
import nltk
from nltk.stem import WordNetLemmatizer
# Initialize the Wordnet Lemmatizer
wnl = WordNetLemmatizer()
# Lemmatize Single Word
print(wnl.lemmatize("bats"))
bat
print(lemmatizer.lemmatize("feet"))
foot
# Lemmatize list of words and join
lemmatized_output = ' '.join([wnl.lemmatize(w) for w
in word_list])
print(lemmatized_output)
```

POS-tagging



```
print(nltk.pos_tag(['feet']))
[('feet', 'NNS')]
sentence="The stripped bats are hanging on their feet
for best"
print(nltk.pos_tag(nltk.word_tokenize(sentence)))
[('The', 'DT'), ('striped', 'JJ'), ('bats', 'NNS'),
('are', 'VBP'), ('hanging', 'VBG'), ('on', 'IN'),
('their', 'PRP$'), ('feet', 'NNS'), ('for', 'IN'),
('best', 'JJS')]
```



Accesing Text corpora



Gutenberg Corpus

import nltk

- Project Gutenberg electronic text archive
- 25,000 free electronic books

```
from nltk.corpus import gutenberg
# The file identifiers in this corpus
gutenberg.fileids()
# Select a text Emma by Jane Austen
emma = nltk.corpus.gutenberg.words('austen-emma.txt')
```



Accesing Text corpora



- Brown Corpus
 - First million-word electronic corpus of English
 - Contains text from 500 sources
 - The sources have been categorized by genre, such as news, editorial, and so on
 - The Brown Corpus is a convenient resource for studying systematic differences between genres

```
import nltk
from nltk.corpus import brown
# See the list of genres
brown.categories()
# Obtain words from files categorised as news
brown.words(categories='news')
# Obtain sents from files categorised as news
brown.sents(categories='news')
```



Example using Brown corpus



```
import nltk
from nltk.corpus import brown
news_text = brown.words(categories='news')
fdist = nltk.FreqDist([w.lower() for w in news_text])
modals = ['can', 'could', 'may', 'might', 'must',
'will']
for m in modals:
    print m + ':', fdist[m]
```



Accessing text from the web



from urllib import request
url = "http://www.gutenberg.org/files/2554/2554-0.txt"
response = request.urlopen(url)
raw = response.read().decode('utf8')



Hypertext Markup Language(HTML)





- The vast majority of web pages are primarily represented in HTMI
- It uses special codes representing additional information to elemens in a document
- These codes primarily consist of tags
 - always enclosed between the two symbols < and >
 - normally come in pairs: opening and closing
 - specify the type of element being described



HTML example





Scraping the web



```
from urllib import request
url = "http://www.example.html"
response = request.urlopen(url)
raw = response.read().decode('utf8')
```

- It's HTML; Clean the tags...
- raw = nltk.clean_html(html)

```
nltk.clean_html(""" This is some article text
with <a href='http://google.com'> a link to
Google</a>""")
'This is some article text with a link to Google'
```



NLTK modules





Language processing task	NLTK modules	Functionality
Accessing corpora	nltk.corpus	Standardized interfaces to corpora and lexicons
String processing	nltk.tokenize, nltk.stem	Tokenizers, sentence tokenizers, stemmers
Collocation discovery	nltk.collocations	t-test, chi-squared, point-wise mutual information
Part-of-speech tagging	nltk.tag	n-gram, backoff, Brill, HMM, TnT
Classification	nltk.classify, nltk.cluster	Decision tree, maximum entropy, naive Bayes, EM, k-means
Chunking	nltk.chunk	Regular expression, n-gram, named entity
Parsing	nltk.parse	Chart, feature-based, unification, probabilistic, dependency
Semantic interpretation	nltk.sem, nltk.inference	Lambda calculus, first-order logic, model checking
Evaluation metrics	nltk.metrics	Precision, recall, agreement coefficients
Probability and estimation		
,	nltk.probability	Frequency distributions, smoothed probability distributions
Applications	nltk.app, nltk.chat	Graphical concordancer, parsers, WordNet browser, chatbots

NLTK BOOK





https://www.nltk.org/book/