Lab 3: CFG, CNF, and CKY (oh my!)

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In this lab you'll use the CKY algorithm to parse and generate sentences from the provided context-free grammar. Please turn in your solution by midnight on 10/4/17. There is no programming required for this assignment. Solutions should be written/typed up and submitted as a pdf. If you are going to write up the assignment I MUST be able to read your handwriting.

Part 1: 30 points

- (1) $S \rightarrow NP VP$
- (2) $S \rightarrow NP VP PP$
- (3) NP \rightarrow det n
- (4) NP \rightarrow n
- (5) NP \rightarrow NP PP
- (6) $VP \rightarrow aux VP$
- (7) $VP \rightarrow V NP$
- (8) PP -> p NP

The grammar given above is not in CNF. Modify it into a CNF grammar that accepts the same language.

Part 2: 40 points

Run the CYK parsing algorithm on the input "det n aux v n p det n", showing the two-dimensional table that is constructed by the algorithm. Each entry in your table should indicate which grammar rule has been applied and to where the constituents lie in the table.

Part 3: 10 points

How many different parse trees does the algorithm construct? How is this indicated in your table?

Part 4: 10 points

Convert one of the possible parses into a treebank parse of the original grammar (i.e. not the CNF version you created).

Part 5: 10 points

Add some rules to your grammar that include a lexicon of actual words that can be substituted for the various parts of speech. Generate three new sentences from this grammar.

Step 7

Turn in a pdf of your solution. Submit this using the command:

provide comp150nlp cfgcky cfgcky.pdf