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Topic: Lecture 3 Source: Lecture 3

What benefits does delexicalization bring to the training of dependency parsers? Can you think of other tasks that might benefit from it? (1)

Topic: Lecture 4 Source: Lecture 4

What's the intuition behind using the forward-backward algorithm for HMM state probability calculation? (1)

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Many languages are losing speakers over time. Briefly describe why this might be happening, and how NLP is contributing to this effect. (1)

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Describe why "language endangerment" and "language extinction" are contentious term. (1)

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Are there any situations where the alpha and beta score at a particular timestep would be equal? (1)

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Imagine that we find a database lying around, and it's been very poorly maintained and documented. All we know is that it contains word embeddings for a language written in Arabic script (assume we can't read it, and the only Arabic speakers we know also can't read it - it's in a language they don't know). How might we go about trying to identify the language that it's written in, without finding speakers of all of the Arabic-derived languages? (2)

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Isolate languages do not have any known related languages (Ainu, Xaat Kíl, and Klingon are some examples). How might you approach using cross-lingual transfer for an isolate? (2)

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In transfer learning, how do you decide which layers of a pre-trained model to freeze and which to fine-tune when adapting it to a new language or task? Give an example of when you might choose to freeze or fine-tune specific layers. (2)

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Imagine that we want to take what we know about adapter layers and word embeddings to approach shared embedding space in a very different way. We have several multi-lingual embeddings in HRLs that we know are in the same space. We also have embeddings that we've trained for a LRL, but that are in a different space. We concatenate the embeddings, freezing the HRLs, but not the LRL embeddings, and then pass them through a prediction layer for POS tagging. Do you think this would work? Would it be better to try to predict the HRL or LRL (or do it as multi-task learning)? (3)

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