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Title of the Experiment:	Performing Chunking and Named Entity Recognition using NLTK
Date of Performance:	
Date of Submission:	

Evaluation

Performance Indicator	Max. Marks	Marks Obtained
Performance	5	
Understanding	5	
Journal work and timely submission	10	
Total	20	

Performance Indicator	Exceed Expectations (EE)	Meet Expectations (ME)	Below Expectations (BE)
Performance	4-5	2-3	1
Understanding	4-5	2-3	1
Journal work and timely submission	8-10	5-8	1-4

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Aim: To identify and extract syntactic phrases (chunks) and named entities from text using NLTK's chunking and NER functionalities.

Objective: To extract syntactic chunks and named entities using chunking and Named Entity Recognition techniques.

Tools Required:

1. Python (Jupyter Notebook or Google Colab)
2. nltk

Procedure:

1. Import required libraries:
 - a. `import nltk`
 - b. `nltk.download('punkt')`
 - c. `nltk.download('averaged_perceptron_tagger')`
 - d. `nltk.download('maxent_ne_chunker')`
 - e. `nltk.download('words')`

2. Input or define a sentence:

Example: "Barack Obama was born in Hawaii and served as the 44th President of the United States."

3. Tokenize and POS-tag the sentence:
 - a. `tokens = nltk.word_tokenize(sentence)`
 - b. `pos_tags = nltk.pos_tag(tokens)`

4. Apply chunking:

Use regular expressions to define grammar rules.



- a. `chunk_grammar = "NP: {<DT>?<JJ>*<NN>}"`
- b. `chunk_parser = nltk.RegexpParser(chunk_grammar)`
- c. `chunked = chunk_parser.parse(pos_tags)`
- d. `chunked.draw()` # Optional: visualize the parse tree

5. Perform Named Entity Recognition:

- a. `ner_tree = nltk.ne_chunk(pos_tags)`
- b. `ner_tree.draw()` # Optional visualization

6. Extract named entities:

Traverse the NER tree and extract named entities like PERSON, ORGANIZATION, LOCATION.

Description of the Experiment:

In this experiment, students will implement chunking to group words into syntactic units (like noun phrases), and perform Named Entity Recognition (NER) to identify proper nouns such as names of people, places, or organizations. These are foundational steps in syntactic and information extraction tasks.

Detailed Description of the NLP Technique:

1. Chunking (Shallow Parsing):

Chunking segments and labels multi-token sequences, such as noun phrases (NP) or verb phrases (VP), without generating full parse trees.

Example:

- a. Input: "The quick brown fox"
- b. POS tags: [(The, DT), (quick, JJ), (brown, JJ), (fox, NN)]



c. Chunk: (NP The quick brown fox)

Uses regular expressions on POS tag sequences to define chunk patterns.

2. Named Entity Recognition (NER):

NER identifies and classifies named entities in text into predefined categories such as:

PERSON (e.g., "Barack Obama")

ORGANIZATION (e.g., "Google")

LOCATION (e.g., "India")

DATE, TIME, MONEY, etc.

NLTK's `ne_chunk()` uses a pre-trained Maximum Entropy classifier to identify named entities.

Importance of Chunking and NER:

- a. Enhances understanding of text structure.
- b. Crucial in tasks like question answering, information extraction, and document classification.

Code and Output:

```

  ✓ Importing and Downloading libraries

65 [1] import nltk

13 [13] nltk.download('punkt')
    nltk.download('punkt_tab')
    nltk.download('averaged_perceptron_tagger')
    nltk.download('averaged_perceptron_tagger_eng')
    nltk.download('maxent_ne_chunker')
    nltk.download('maxent_ne_chunker_tab')
    nltk.download('words')

[nltk_data] Downloading package punkt to /root/nltk_data...
[nltk_data] Package punkt is already up-to-date!
[nltk_data] Downloading package punkt_tab to /root/nltk_data...
[nltk_data] Package punkt_tab is already up-to-date!
[nltk_data] Downloading package averaged_perceptron_tagger to
[nltk_data] /root/nltk_data...
[nltk_data] Package averaged_perceptron_tagger is already up-to-
[nltk_data] date!
[nltk_data] Downloading package averaged_perceptron_tagger_eng to
[nltk_data] /root/nltk_data...
[nltk_data] Package averaged_perceptron_tagger_eng is already up-to-
[nltk_data] date!
[nltk_data] Downloading package maxent_ne_chunker to
[nltk_data] /root/nltk_data...
[nltk_data] Package maxent_ne_chunker is already up-to-date!
[nltk_data] Downloading package maxent_ne_chunker_tab to
[nltk_data] /root/nltk_data...
[nltk_data] Unzipping chunkers/maxent_ne_chunker_tab.zip.
[nltk_data] Downloading package words to /root/nltk_data...
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Define the sentence

```
[14] sentence = "Barack Obama was born in Hawaii and served as the 44th President of the United States."
```

Tokenize the sentence and POS Tagging

```
[21] # Tokenize the sentence
tokens = nltk.word_tokenize(sentence)

# POS-tag the tokens
pos_tags = nltk.pos_tag(tokens)
```

Define chunk grammar for noun phrases (NP) and Create a chunk parser and parse the POS-tagged sentence

```
[16] chunk_grammar = "NP: {<DT>?<JJ>*<NN>}"

# Create a chunk parser and parse the POS-tagged sentence
chunk_parser = nltk.RegexpParser(chunk_grammar)
chunked = chunk_parser.parse(pos_tags)
```

Perform Named Entity Recognition (NER)

```
[17] # Perform Named Entity Recognition (NER)
ner_tree = nltk.ne_chunk(pos_tags)
```

```
[18] def extract_named_entities(tree):
    entities = []
    for subtree in tree:
        if hasattr(subtree, 'label') and subtree.label() in ['PERSON', 'ORGANIZATION', 'GPE', 'LOCATION']:
            entity_name = ' '.join([token for token, pos in subtree.leaves()])
            entity_type = subtree.label()
            entities.append((entity_name, entity_type))
    return entities

named_entities = extract_named_entities(ner_tree)
```

```
[19] print("Named Entities:")
for entity, etype in named_entities:
    print(f"{entity} ({etype})")
```

Named Entities:
Barack (PERSON)
Obama (PERSON)
Hawaii (GPE)
United States (GPE)

```
[20] # GPE = GEOPOLITICAL ENTITY
# e.g., countries, states
```

Conclusion:

When applied to the sentence, the code correctly identifies notable names such as Barack Obama as a person and geographical mentions like Hawaii and the United States as locations. The chunking process further groups related words into noun phrases, for example, “the 44th President,” making the grammatical structure easier to interpret. In essence, named entity recognition extracts the key people and places, clarifying the main focus of the text. Such



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analysis proves highly valuable for applications like information extraction, knowledge discovery, and intelligent search systems.