

Introduction to Natural Language Processing



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Outline

Big Text Data and Processing

- Rule-base approach
- Probabilistic Machine Learning
- Deep Learning approach

What is NLP

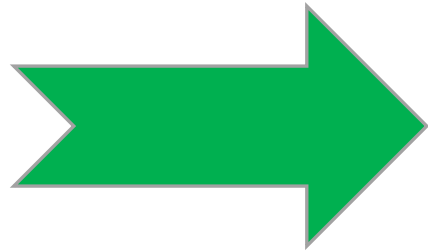
Application of NLP

What are the challenges?

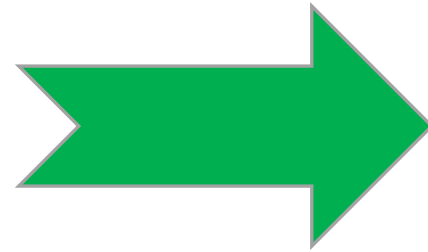
Key NLP components

Big Text Data Analytics

- Internet
- Blogs
- News
- Email
- Literature
- Twitter
- Websites
- Reviews



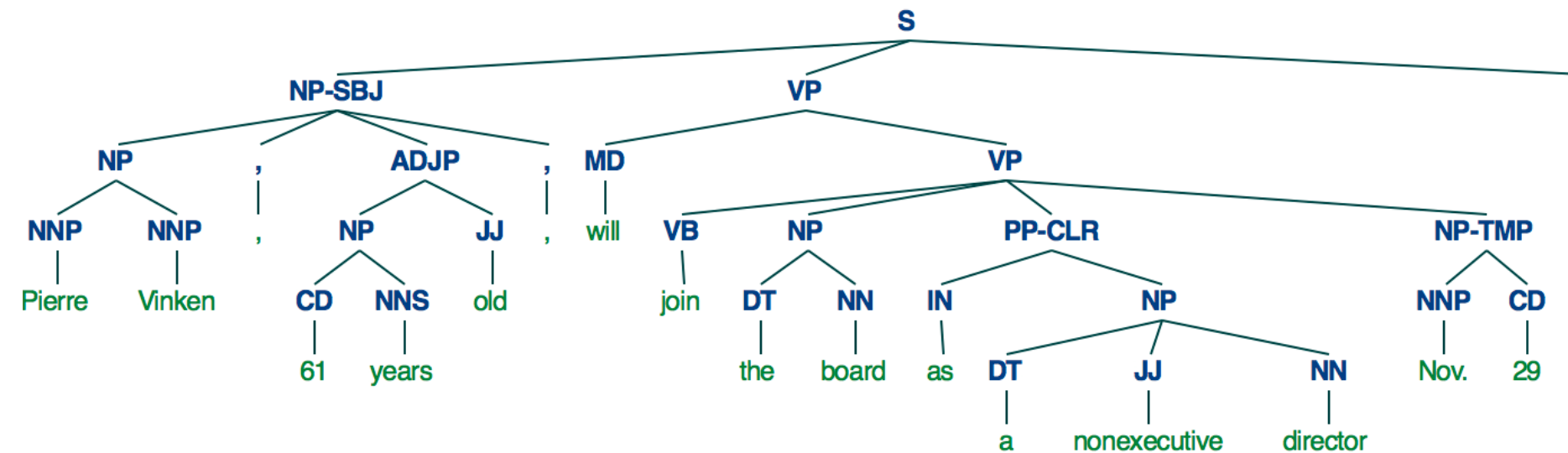
Knowledge



Decision
Making

Text Analytics - Syntactic Analysis

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Syntactic Analysis



Lexical Analysis
Part of speech tagging

What is NLP

Natural language processing (NLP) is a field of computer science, artificial intelligence, and computational linguistics concerned with the interactions between computers and human (**natural**) languages. – **Wikipedia**

NLP Pyramid

Morphology - is the study of words, how they are formed, and their relationship to other words in the same language.

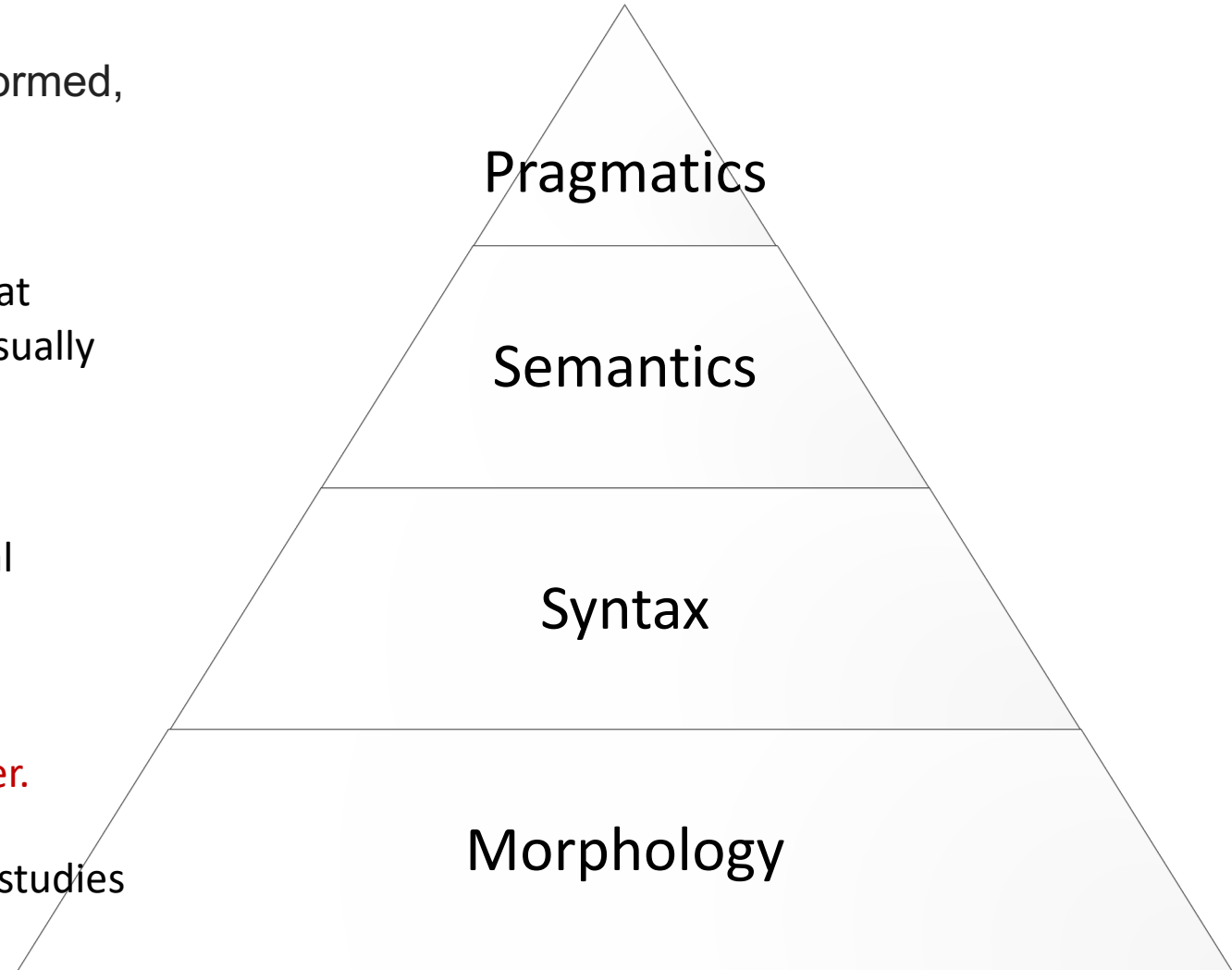
Syntax - is the set of rules, principles, and processes that govern the structure of sentences in a given language, usually including word order

Semantics - is the linguistic and philosophical study of meaning, in language, programming languages, formal logics, and semiotics

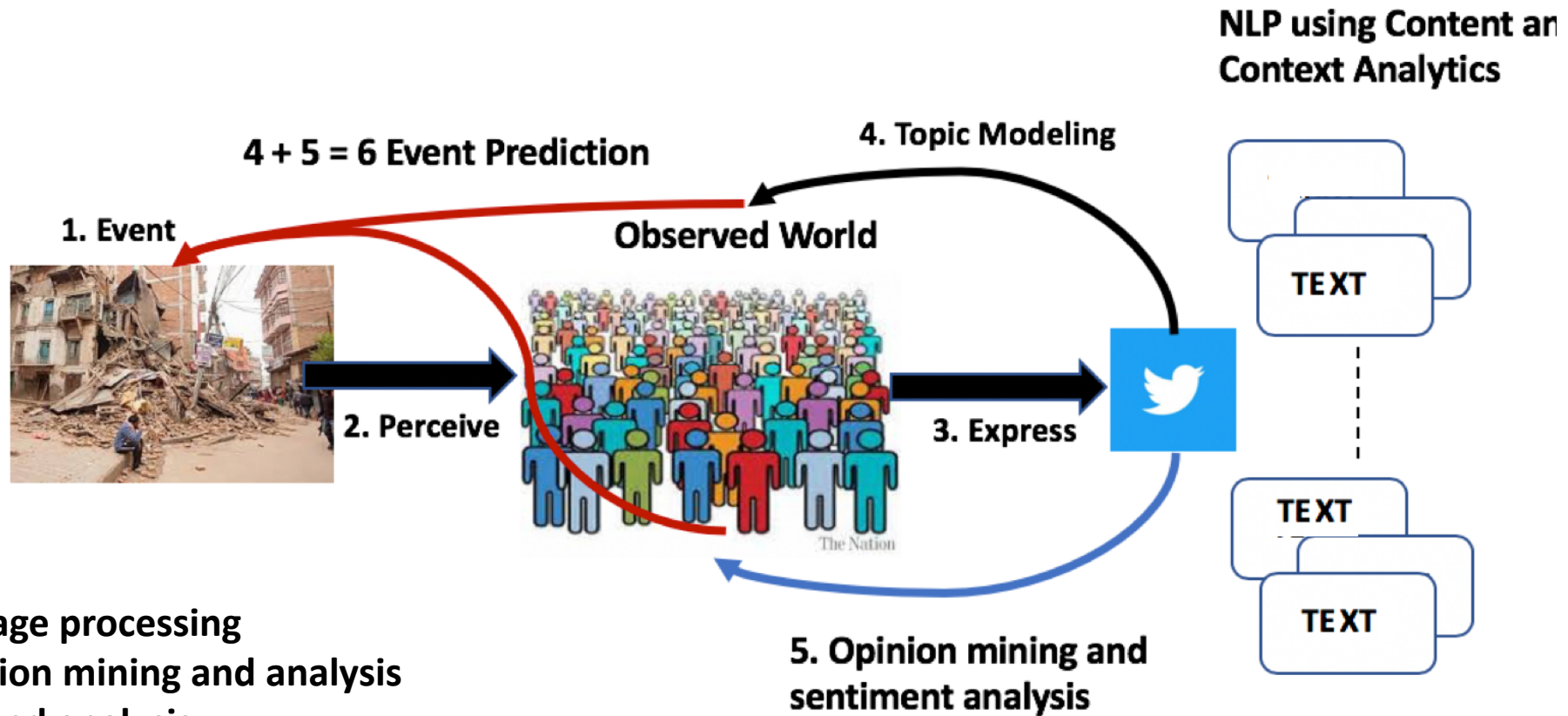
Examples of Semantics:

A child could be called a child, kid, boy, girl, son, daughter.

Pragmatics a subfield of linguistics and semiotics that studies the ways in which context contributes to meaning



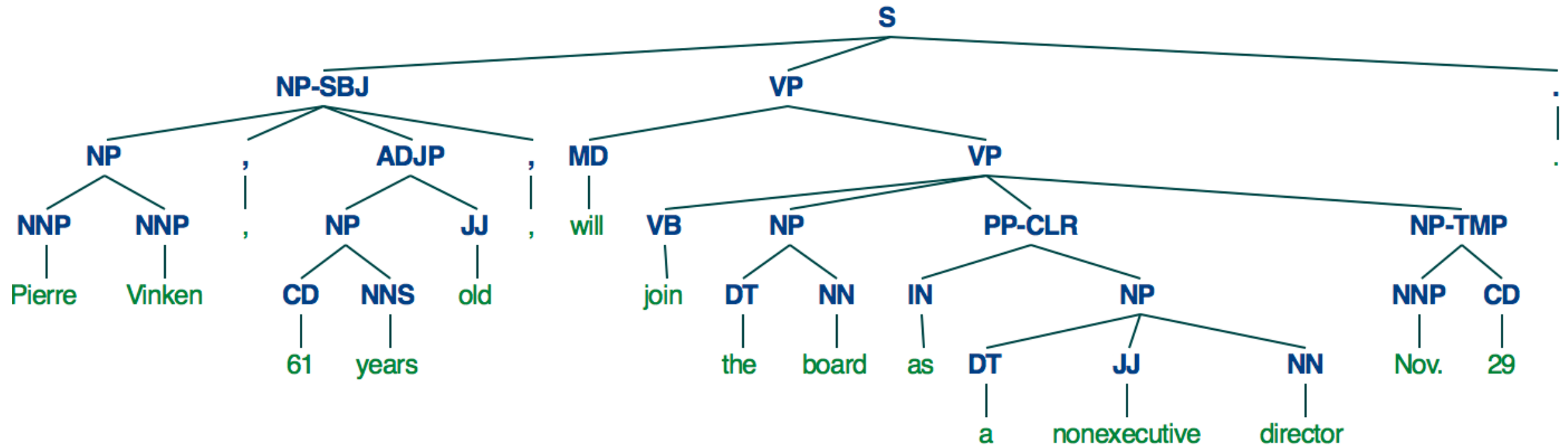
Text Mining



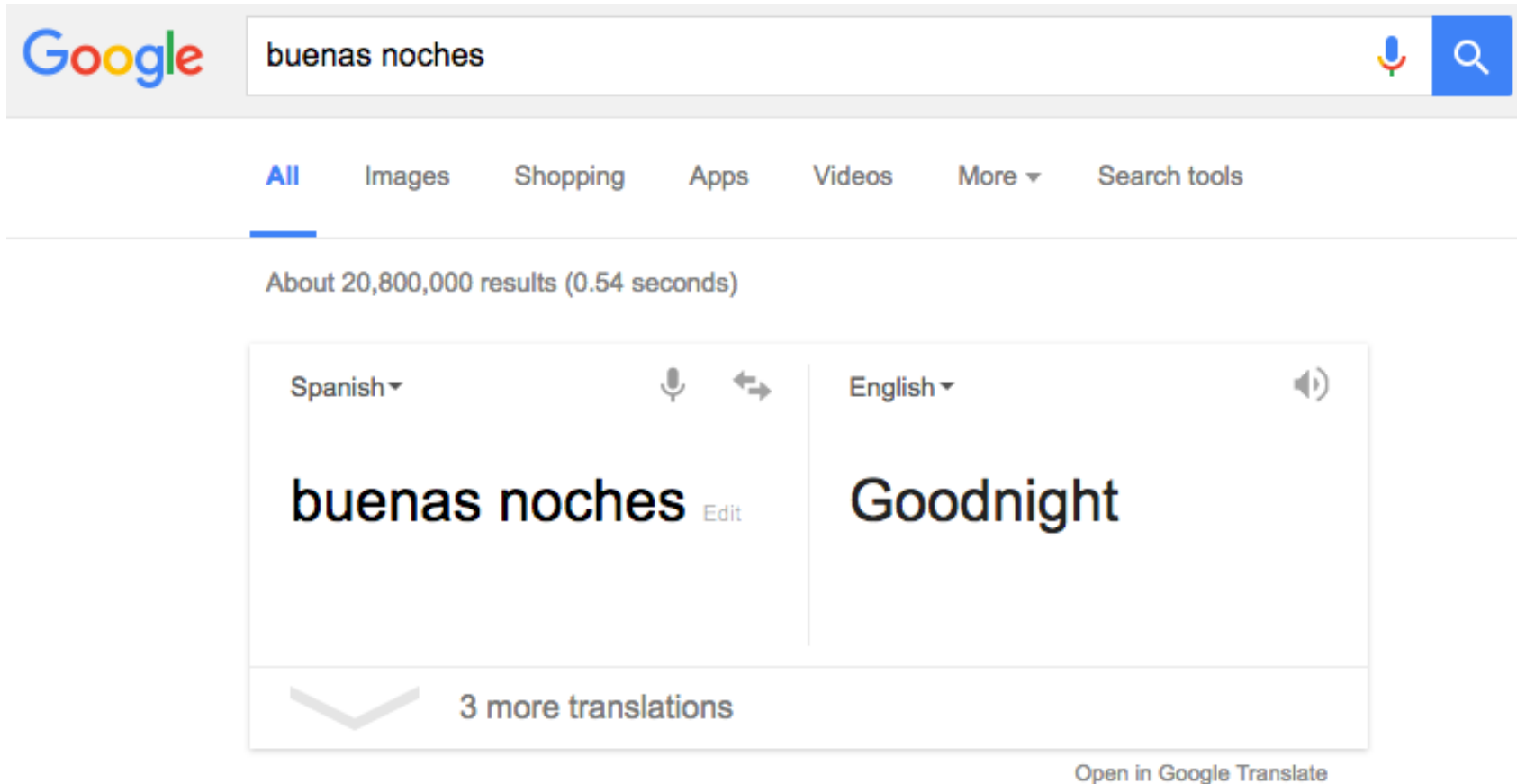
1. Natural language processing
2. Word association mining and analysis
3. Topic mining and analysis
4. Opinion mining and sentiment analysis
5. Event Prediction

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Machine translation



The image shows a Google search interface. At the top left is the Google logo. To its right is a search bar containing the text "buenas noches". On the far right of the search bar are a microphone icon and a blue search button with a magnifying glass. Below the search bar is a horizontal menu with links: "All" (underlined in blue), "Images", "Shopping", "Apps", "Videos", "More" (with a dropdown arrow), and "Search tools". Below this menu, it says "About 20,800,000 results (0.54 seconds)". The main content area features a translation box. On the left side of this box, it says "Spanish" with a dropdown arrow, followed by a microphone icon and a double-headed arrow icon. Below this, the text "buenas noches" is displayed in a large font, with a small "Edit" link to its right. On the right side of the box, it says "English" with a dropdown arrow, followed by a speaker icon. Below this, the text "Goodnight" is displayed in a large font. At the bottom of the translation box, there is a chevron icon pointing down and the text "3 more translations". Below the translation box, there is a link that says "Open in Google Translate".

Google

buenas noches

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Spanish

buenas noches Edit

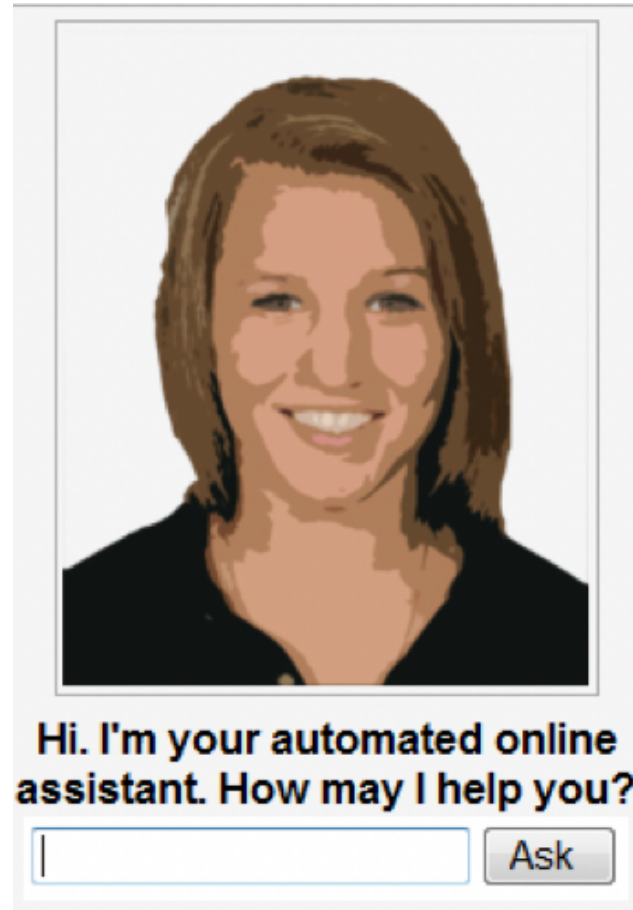
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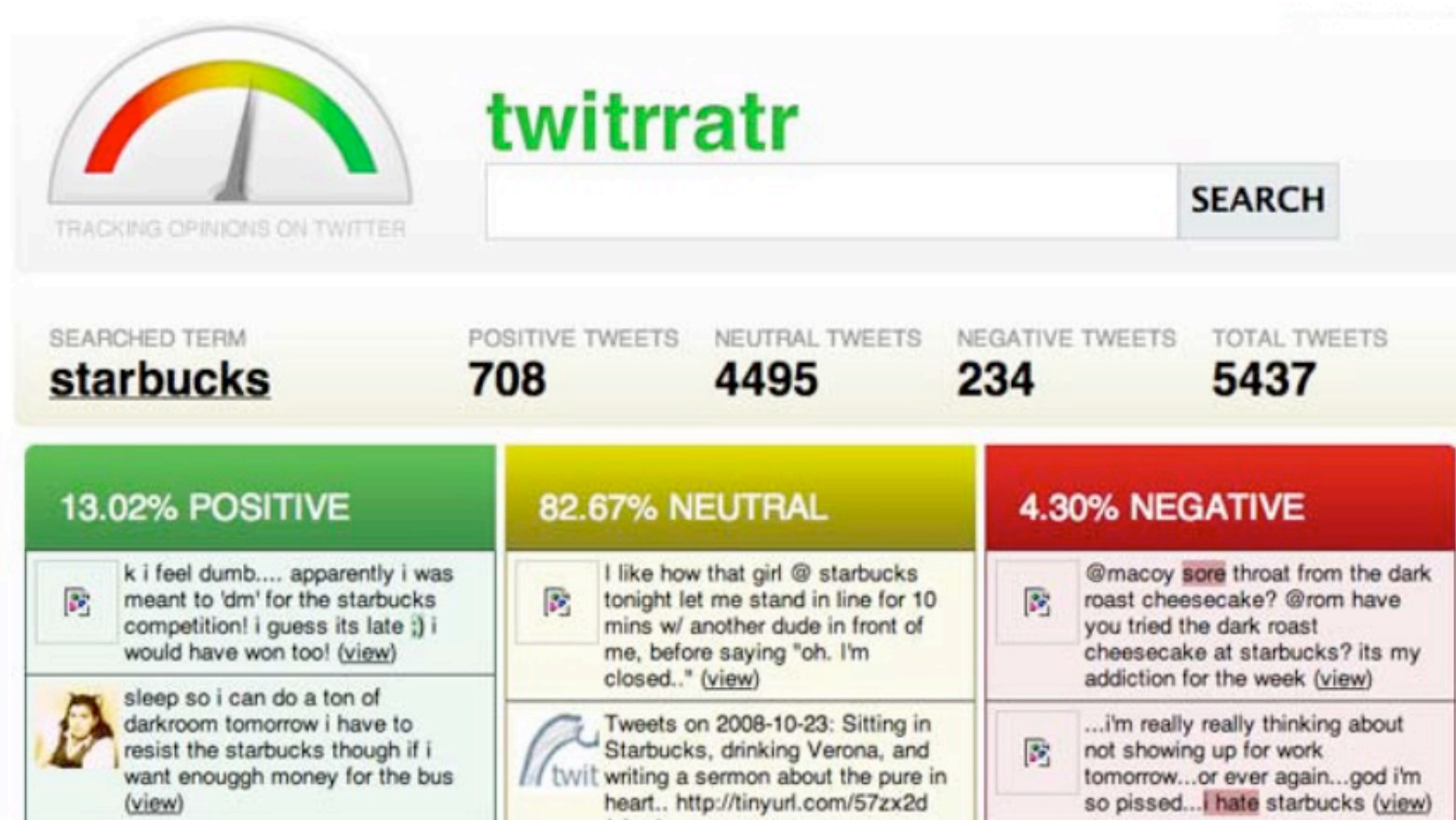
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Dialog Systems



Sentiment



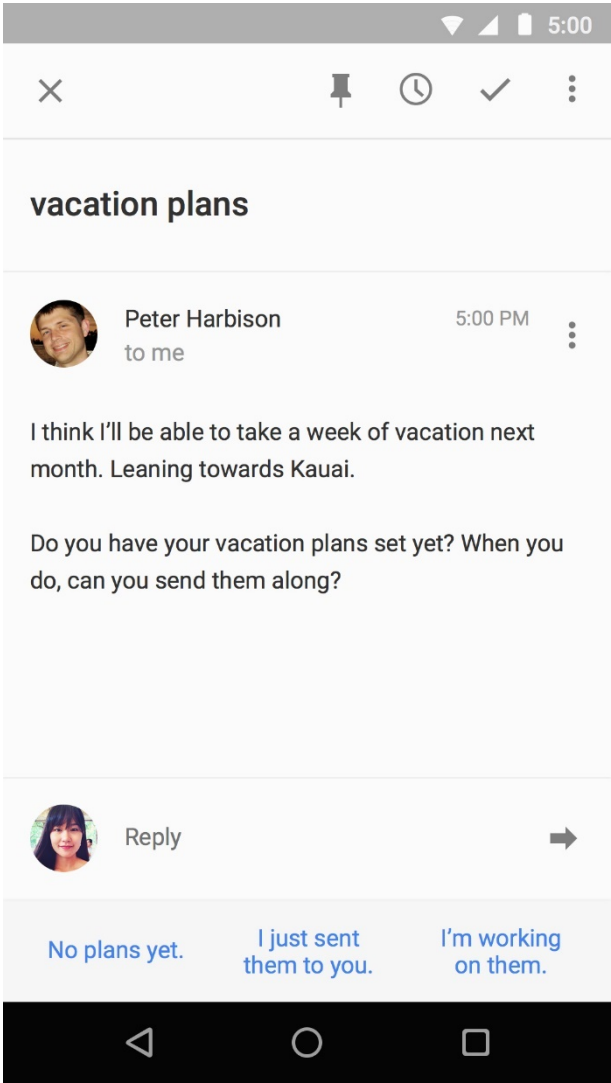
Language model applications

Autocomplete

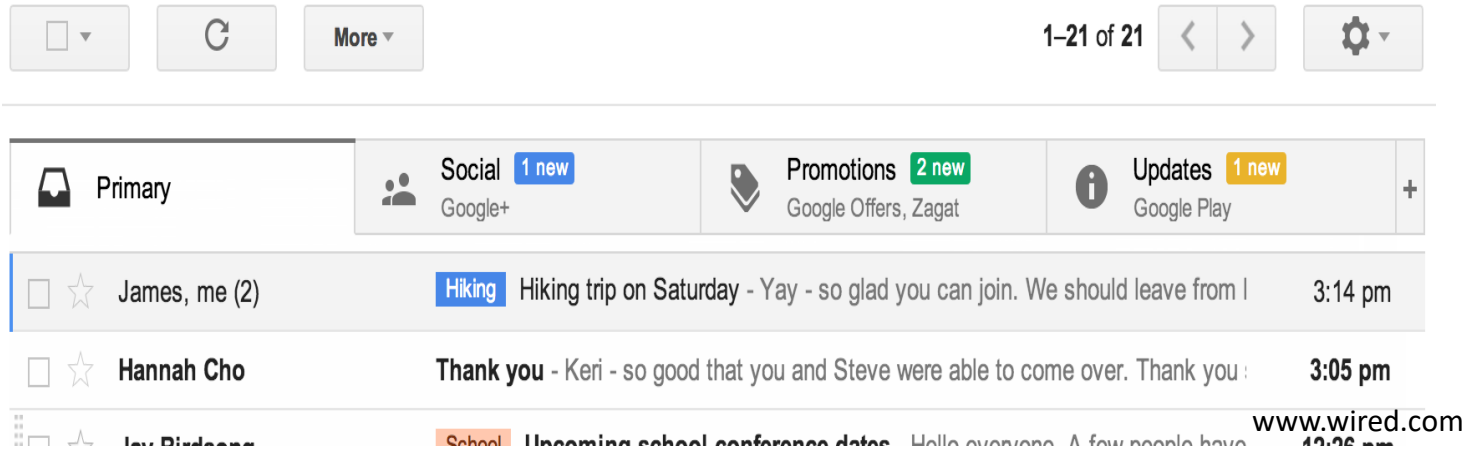


Language model applications

Smart Reply



Text Classification

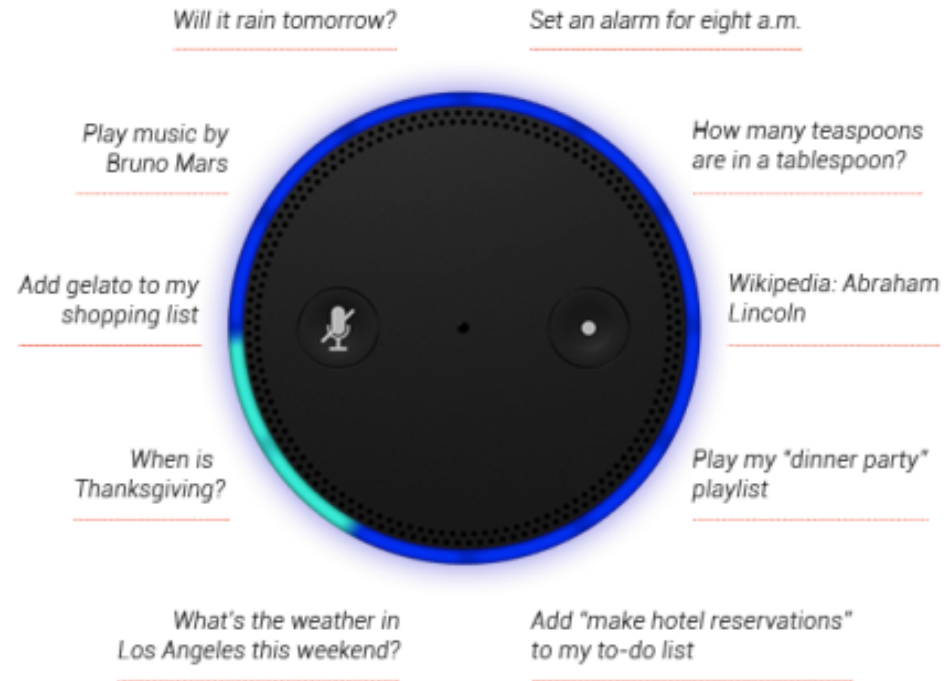


Question answering



'Watson' computer wins at 'Jeopardy'

Natural language instruction



<https://youtu.be/KkOCeAtKHlc?t=1m28s>

Language Comprehension

Christopher Robin is alive and well. **He** is the same person that you read about in the book, **Winnie the Pooh**. As **a boy**, **Chris** lived in a pretty home called **Cotchfield Farm**. When **Chris** was three years old, **his father** wrote a poem about **him**. The poem was printed in a magazine for others to read. **Mr. Robin** then wrote a book

Q: who wrote Winnie the Pooh?

Q: where is Chris lived?

What are the challenges?

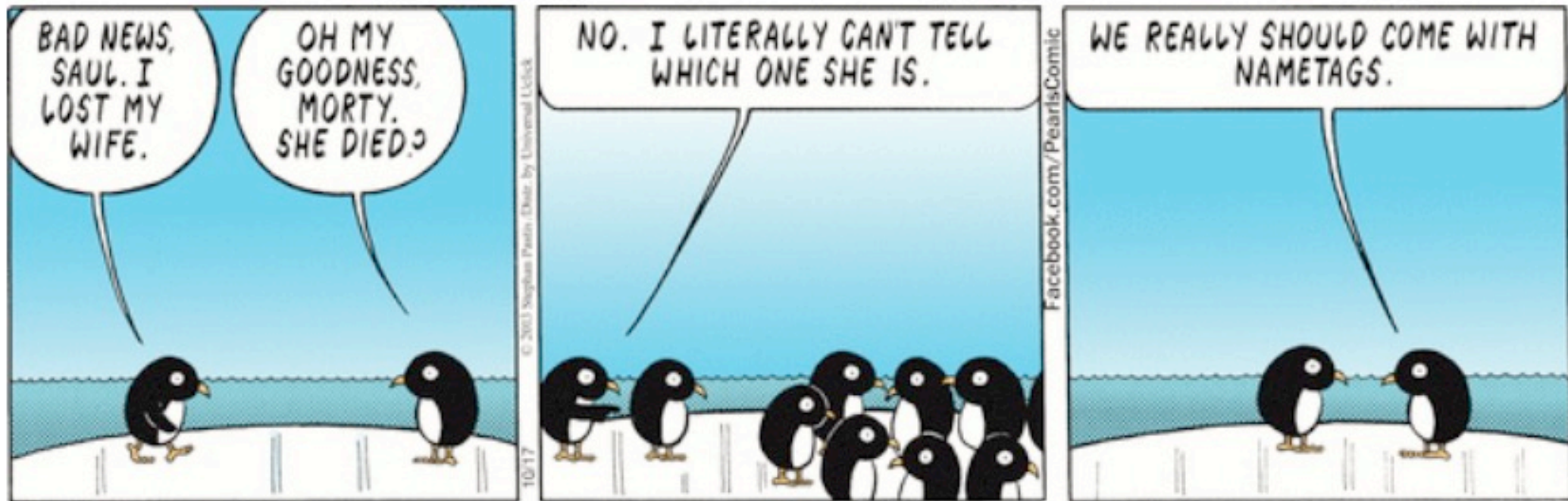


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Challenges – ambiguity

Word sense ambiguity



credit: A. Zwický

Word sense ambiguity



Challenges – ambiguity

Word sense / meaning ambiguity

Credit: <http://stuffsirisaidthat.com>



Challenges -- ambiguity

Ambiguous headlines:

- Include your children when baking cookies
 - Local High School Dropouts Cut in Half
 - Hospitals are Sued by 7 Foot Doctors
 - Iraqi Head Seeks Arms
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- Safety Experts Say School Bus Passengers Should Be Belted
 - Teacher Strikes Idle Kids

Challenges – ambiguity

Pronoun reference ambiguity



Dr. Macklin often brings his dog Champion to visit with the patients. **He** just loves to give big, wet, sloppy kisses!

Credit: <http://www.printwand.com/blog/8-catastrophic-examples-of-word-choice-mistakes>

Challenges – language is not static

Language grows and changes

- e.g., cyber lingo

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|--------|----------------------------|
| LOL | Laugh out loud |
| G2G | Got to go |
| BFN | Bye for now |
| B4N | Bye for now |
| Idk | I don't know |
| FWIW | For what it's worth |
| LUWAMH | Love you with all my heart |

Challenges – scale

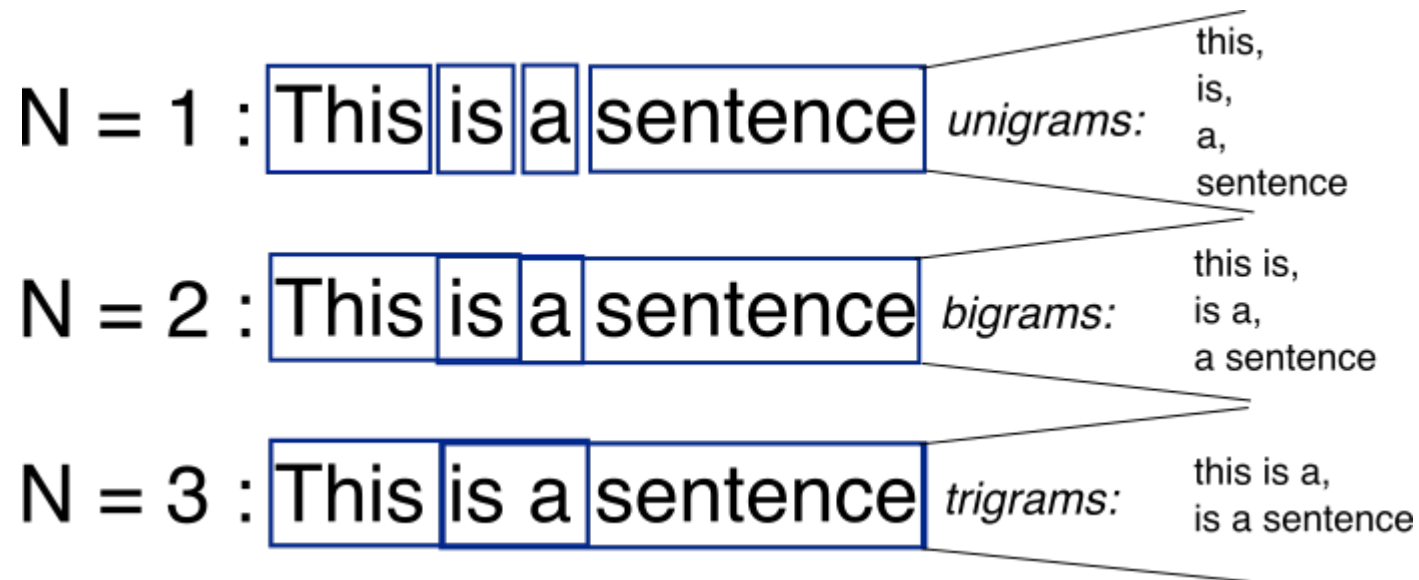
Examples:

- Bible (King James version): ~700K
- Penn Tree bank ~1M from Wall street journal
- Newswire collection: 500M+
- Wikipedia: 2.9 billion word (English)
- Web: several billions of words



Bag-of-Words with N-grams

N-grams: a contiguous sequence of n tokens from a given piece of text

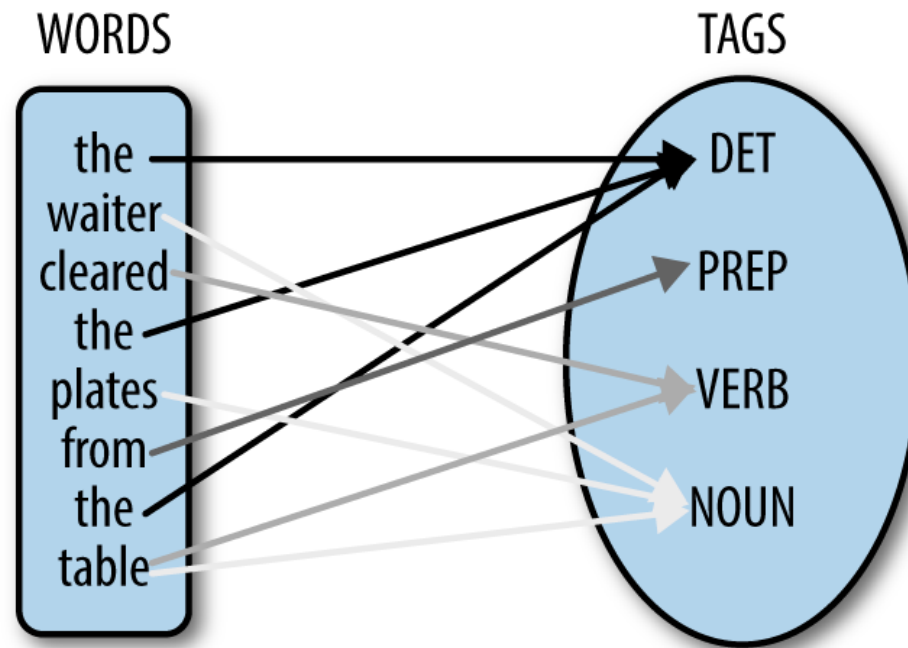


<http://recognize-speech.com/language-model/n-gram-model/comparison>

N-(N-grams -1)

Part of Speech Tagging

part-of-speech tagging (POS tagging or PoS tagging or POST is the process of marking up a word in a text based on both its definition and its context—i.e., its relationship with adjacent and related words in a phrase, sentence, or paragraph. A simplified form of this is commonly taught to school-age children, in the identification of words as nouns, verbs, adjectives, adverbs, etc.



Syntactic parsing

