

Natural Language Processing

Assignment 5

Type of Question: MCQ

Number of Questions: 9 Total Marks: $(8 \times 1) + (1 \times 2) = 10$

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Question 1.

Which of the following are true? [1 mark]

- A) Given a CFG and its corresponding CNF, they both produce the same language.
- B) For a given grammar, there can be more than one CNF.
- C) It requires ' $2n+1$ ' productions or steps in CNF to generate a string w of length ' n '.
- D) None of the above

Answer: A, B

Solution: Let n be the length of a string. We start with the (non-terminal) symbol S which has length $n=1$. Using $(n-1)$ rules of form $NT \rightarrow NT \ NT$ (where NT represents a non-terminal) we can construct a string containing ' n ' non-terminal symbols. Then on each NT symbol of said string of length ' n ' we apply a rule of form $NT \rightarrow T$. i.e. we apply n rules. In total we will have applied $(n-1) + n = 2n-1$ rules.

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Question 2:

Consider the CFG given below:

$S \rightarrow aSb|D$

$D \rightarrow Dc|\epsilon$

How many non-terminals should be added to convert the CFG into CNF? [1 mark]

- A) 3
- B) 2
- C) 4
- D) 5

Answer: D

Solution: The final CNF is:

$S' \rightarrow AE|AB|DC|c$
 $S \rightarrow AE|AB|DC|c$
 $E \rightarrow SB \ D \rightarrow DC|c$
 $A \rightarrow a \ B \rightarrow b \ C \rightarrow c$

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For question 3 to 6 consider the following PCFG fragment:

$S \rightarrow NN \ VP$	0.50	$S \rightarrow VP \ NN$	0.50
$NP \rightarrow NN \ PB$	0.40	$PB \rightarrow PP \ NN$	0.30
$VP \rightarrow VB \ NN$	0.30	$VP \rightarrow VB \ NP$	0.20
$VP \rightarrow NN \ VB$	0.25	$VP \rightarrow NN \ PB$	0.15
$PP \rightarrow \text{with}$	0.10	$PP \rightarrow \text{without}$	0.10
$VB \rightarrow \text{play}$	0.30	$VB \rightarrow \text{enjoy}$	0.20
$VB \rightarrow \text{watch}$	0.25	$NN \rightarrow \text{children}$	0.15
$NN \rightarrow \text{cricket}$	0.15	$NN \rightarrow \text{friends}$	0.20
$NN \rightarrow \text{football}$	0.10	$NN \rightarrow \text{music}$	0.12

For a sentence $S = w_1w_2w_3w_4$, assume that the cells in the table are indexed as follows:

	1	2	3	4	
w_1	11	12	13	14	1
	w_2	22	23	24	2
		w_3	33	34	3
			w_4	44	4

Question 3:

Using CKY algorithm, find the probability score for the most probable tree for the sentence $S_1 = \text{"children play cricket with friends"}$. [1 mark]

- A) 5.06×10^{-4}
- B) 2.73×10^{-3}
- C) 1.62×10^{-6}
- D) None of the above

Answer: c

Solution: Calculate the probability using the Bottom-Up method as explained in the lecture. 2

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Question 4:

Using CKY algorithm, find the number of parse trees for the sentence $S_2 = \text{children enjoy music}$ and the probability score for the most probable tree. **[2 marks]**

- A) 1, 4.95×10^{-3}
- B) 2, 0.36×10^{-3}
- C) 3, 0.99×10^{-3}
- D) 2, 0.54×10^{-3}

Answer: D

Solution:

There are two parse trees.

$$S \rightarrow NN_{11} VP_{23} = 0.5 \times 0.15 \times (0.3 \times 0.2 \times 0.12) = 0.54 \times 10^{-3} \quad S \rightarrow$$

$$VP_{12} NN_{33} = 0.5 \times (0.25 \times 0.15 \times 0.2) \times 0.12 = 0.45 \times 10^{-3}$$

We get the above probabilities with CKY algorithm.

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Question 5:

Consider the expression below:

$$P(\text{"children watch football enjoy music"}, N_{34} | G) = P_j P(\text{"children watch football enjoy music"} | N_{34}^j, G)$$

What does the L.H.S. represent? **[1 mark]**

- A) Probability of the sentence "children watch football enjoy music", given a grammar G.
- B) Probability of the sentence "children watch football enjoy music", given a grammar G and some rule which derives the segment "football enjoy".
- C) Probability of the sentence "children watch football enjoy music", given a grammar G and that there is some consistent spanning of the segment "football enjoy", i.e. from word 3 to 4.
- D) None of the above

Answer: C

Solution: Refer to Inside-Outside Probabilities.

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Question 6:

Suppose after parsing the sentence $S_2 = \text{children enjoy music}$ with CKY algorithm, the non-terminals that appear in position 12 and 23 are NT_1 and NT_2 respectively. Compute the outside probabilities for $\alpha_{NT_1}(12)$ and $\alpha_{NT_2}(23)$. (1 mark)

- A) 0, 0.075
- B) 0.25, 0
- C) 0.30, 0.06
- D) None of the above

Answer: D

Solution:

$$\alpha_{VP}(12) = 0.5 \times 1 \times 0.12 = 0.060$$

$$\alpha_{VP}(23) = 0.5 \times 1 \times 0.15 = 0.075$$

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Question 7:

Which of the following grammars are valid CNF? [1 mark]

1. $A \rightarrow B$ 2. $A \rightarrow BCD$ 3. $A \rightarrow BC$
- $B \rightarrow CD$ $B \rightarrow b$ $B \rightarrow \epsilon$
- $C \rightarrow c$ $C \rightarrow c$ $C \rightarrow c$
- $D \rightarrow d$ $D \rightarrow d$

- A) 1.
- B) 2.
- C) 3.
- D) None of the above

Answer: d

Solution: Valid CNF form is as follows:

$$A \rightarrow BC$$

$$A \rightarrow a$$

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Question 8:

Consider the CFG given below:

S \rightarrow ASA | aB

A \rightarrow B | S

B \rightarrow b | ϵ

**How many non-terminals need to be added to convert the above grammar into CNF?
(1 mark)**

- A) 1
- B) 4
- C) 2
- D) 3

Answer: D

Solution: The final CNF is:

S' \rightarrow AX | YB | a | AS | SA

S \rightarrow AX | YB | a | AS | SA

A \rightarrow b | AX | YB | a | AS | SA

B \rightarrow b

X \rightarrow SA

Y \rightarrow a

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Question 9:

**Which of the following are true with respect to a Top-Down and Bottom-Up Parser?
[1 mark]**

- A) A Top-Down Parser never explores options that will not lead to a full parse.
- B) A Bottom-Up Parser never explores options that will not lead to a full parse.
- C) A Top-Down Parser never explores options that do not connect to the actual sentence.
- D) A Bottom-Up Parser never explores options that do not connect to the actual sentence.

Answer: A, D

Solution: Follow the lecture slides.