

Wk3_SLP2_Building a sentence segmenter

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Step 1 Obtain data already segmented into sentences and convert it into a form suitable for extracting features that can be used to train a classifier.

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[2]: import nltk

sents = nltk.corpus.treebank_raw.sents()

tokens = []
boundaries = set()
offset = 0

for sent in sents:
    tokens.extend(sent)
    offset += len(sent)
    boundaries.add(offset - 1)
```

Step 2 Specify the features of the data used in order to determine whether punctuation indicates a sentence boundary. Note that *tokens* is a merged list of tokens from the individual sentences and *boundaries* is a set containing the indexes of all sentence-boundary tokens.

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[3]: def punct_features(tokens, i):
     return {'next-word-capitalized': tokens[i+1][0].isupper(),
            'prev-word': tokens[i-1].lower(),
            'punct': tokens[i],
            'prev-word-is-one-char': len(tokens[i-1]) == 1
            }
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Step 3 Create a list of labelled feature sets using the feature extractor defined in the previous step by selecting all the punctuation tokens and tagging whether or not they are boundary tokens.

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[4]: featuresets = [(punct_features(tokens, i), (i in boundaries))
                    for i in range(1, len(tokens)-1)
                    if tokens[i] in '!.?!;']
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Step 4 Train and evaluate the punctuation classifier using the featuresets.

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[5]: size = int(len(featuresets) * 0.1)
train_set, test_set = featuresets[size:], featuresets[:size]
classifier = nltk.NaiveBayesClassifier.train(train_set)

nltk.classify.accuracy(classifier, test_set)
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[5]: 0.9377049180327869
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Step 5 The classifier can be used for sentence segmentation by checking each punctuation mark to see whether or not it's labelled as a boundary and then dividing the list of words at the boundary marks.

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[6]: def segment_sentence(words):
      start = 0
      sents = []
      for i, word in enumerate(words[:-1]):
          if word in '?!' and classifier.classify(punct_features(words, i)) == 'True':
              sents.append(words[start: i+1])
              start = i + 1
          if start < len(words):
              sents.append(words[start:])
      return sents
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[16]: words = "Hello, my name is Lucky. I am a good boy!"
tokens = nltk.word_tokenize(words)
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['Hello', ',', 'my', 'name', 'is', 'Lucky', '.', 'I', 'am', 'a', 'good', 'boy', '!']
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[18]: segment_sentence(tokens)[0]
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[18]: ['Hello',
      ',',
      'my',
      'name',
      'is',
      'Lucky',
      '.',
      'I',
      'am',
      'a',
      'good',
      'boy',
      '!']
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