Corpus Annotation
Co-reference for Named-Entities in Trump rallies speech

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Overview of the project

- Goal
  - Develop a process and create an annotated corpus for the analysis of characters of a certain figure presented in speeches.
  - Go through every step of annotation project introduced in this course (data preparation, automatic annotation, manual annotation, curation, agreement)
- Dataset
  - Donald Trump's speeches
  - 35 rally speeches given by Trump from 2019 to 2020

Link to dataset: https://www.kaggle.com/christianlillelund/donald-trumps-rallies

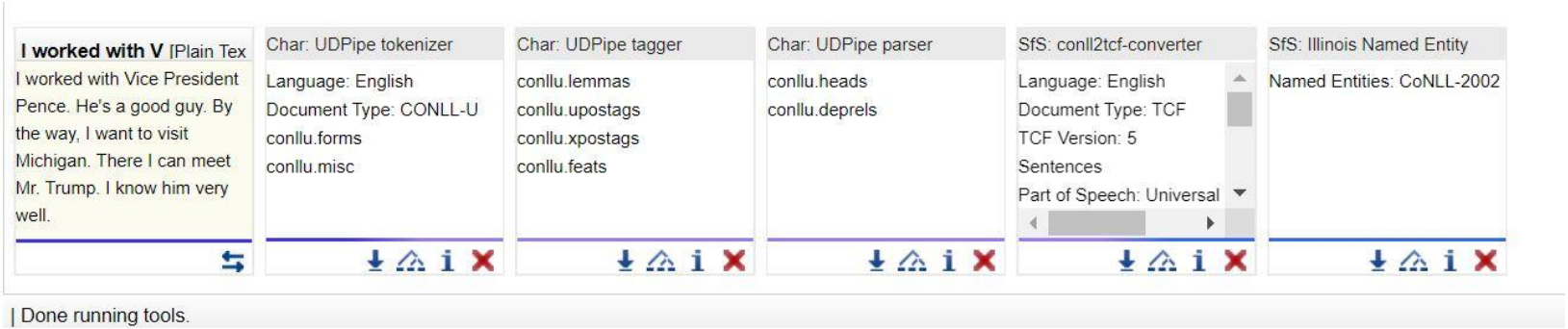
Workflow

Annotation Layers

1. Lemma
2. Part of speech
3. Named entity
4. Coreference

- W1: Tried different tools like Spacy, Stanza, Corenlp, Webanno ‘automation project’
- W2: Automatic annotation of 35 speeches using **Weblicht**
  Chose annotation guidelines (MUC7, UD Tagset, Schäfer(2012))
  Started working with **Mykonos WebAnno**
- W3 & W4: Manual correction and annotation of lemma, POS, named entity and coreference

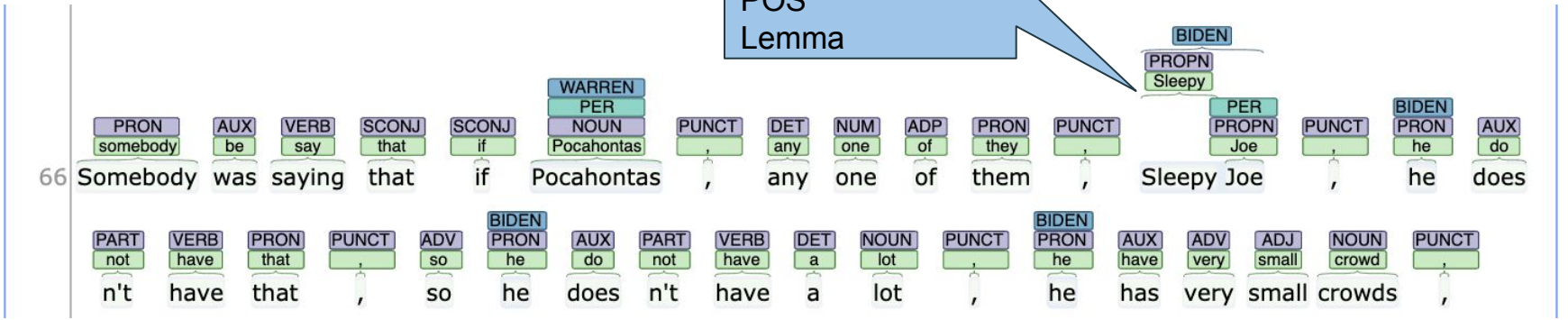
Workflow



WebLicht chain for automatic annotation

Achievements

4 Layers:
Coreference
Named Entity
POS
Lemma



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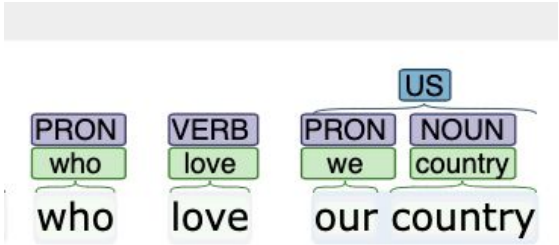
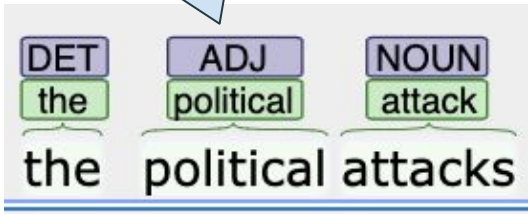
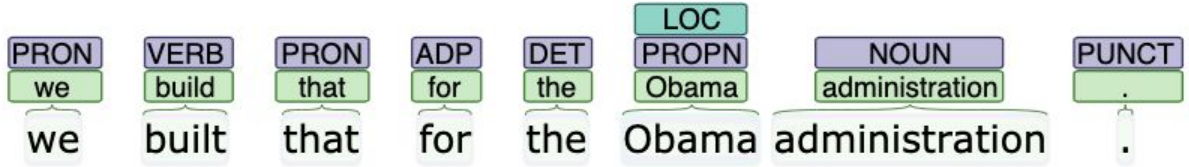


Auto POS Error:
Our -> possessive determiner -> DET✔

With POS as ADJ, “political” remains intact

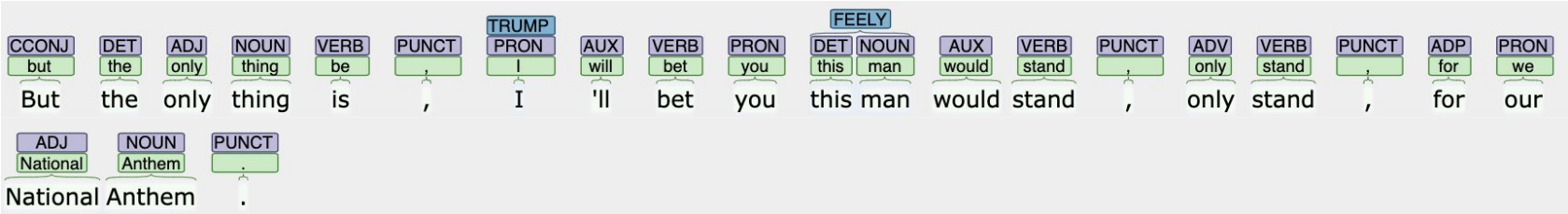




Auto NER error: “Obama” -> PER

Achievements

With manual coreference, all mentioned related entities are linked together...



Quantity & Agreements

- Apply automatic annotation for 35 docs (**Layers: Lemma/POS/NER**)
- We selected 3 docs (with sentence number about 1500)
- We manually corrected/annotated all **Lemma/POS/NER/Coref** for 1 doc (TexasSep23_2019.txt)
- We manually corrected/annotated of **NER/Coref** for 2 docs (YumaAug18_2020.txt, CharlotteMar2_2020.txt)

Quantity & Agreements

Agreement

	mouji	scho	ywu
mouji	-	0.93	0.91
scho	1677/1780	-	0.92
ywu	952/999	1735/1824	-

An example of NER agreement from WebAnno

Statistics

Coref:

Modi: a great man / a great leader …

Joe Biden: Sleepy Joe / Joe …

Hillary Clinton: crooked Hillary...

ADVs: (YumaAug18_2020.txt)

…

20 back
21 now
26 very
32 never
39 so

NOUNs: (YumaAug18_2020.txt)

…

23 thing
29 border
32 year
36 country
37 people

Issues

- Automatic annotation of coreference resolution.
    - Hard to use for manual correction task.
- NER tag MISC elimination uncovered later useful use.
- Ambiguity with the personal pronoun “we” in the speeches.
- The depth of fine graining the coreference annotation.

Perspectives

- Manually corrected data is useful for enhancing the NLP pipeline performance on spoken data.
- The data is useful for a machine learning approach for named entity coreference resolution in spoken data.
- Named entity coreference resolution is a useful feature for authorship profiling.

Thank you!