



Text Simplification

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Advancement

- Continue syntactic simplification
- Begin lexicon simplification
- Interface creation
- Find a large dataset



Syntactic simplification



Relative clause:

Using tag instead of dependency relation:

She lives in New York, **which she likes/hates** → She **likes/hates to** live in New York.

Restrictive vs Non-restrictive

the cat **that is big** is mine → The **big** cat is mine.

my cat, **that has blue eyes**, sleeps in the garden → My cat sleeps in the garden



I bought a new car **that is very fast**.

I bought a **very fast** new car.

I'd like to paint the room a color **that is cheerful**.


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I'm buying a gift for the neighbor **who helped me move**.

I ' m buying a gift for the neighbor. **The neighbor helped me move**.

The dog **that eats the cat that eats the mouse that is white** is big.

The dog is big. **The dog eats the cat. The cat eats the white mouse**.



Original sentence	passive to active	relative clause simplification
The apple that is big is eaten by John.	John eats the apple that is big.	John eats the big apple.
The sky, which is blue , is observed by a group of children.	A group of children observes the sky, which is blue,.	A group of children observes the sky.
Yesterday, an apple was eaten by a fish that was red	A fish that was red yesterday ate an apple,	A red yesterday fish ate an apple,.
The dog was bitten by the fish	The fish bit the dog.	The fish bit the dog.



Prepositional Phrases

Problematic parsing: pps might get different ancestors.

“are”:

With: non-verbal

In/At/By: verbal

Not predictable: other inflections of “be” might have different ancestors.

So far: All pps removed except: “to”, “of”,

Testing: `word.lemma_ != “be”`

You, in the front row, are amazing. ---> You, in the front row, are amazing.
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I saw a monkey with a telescope. ---> I saw a monkey .
I saw a monkey .
I'm doing this with pleasure. ---> I'm doing this .
I'm doing this .
The guy with a knife threatened the shopkeeper. ---> The guy threatened the shopkeeper.
The guy threatened the shopkeeper.
Gus trash talks about his friends behind their backs. ---> Gus trash talks .
Gus trash talks .
The lady in the toilet is taking a lot of time. ---> The lady is taking a lot of time.
The lady is taking a lot of time.
A lady with a pillow hit a man in a wheelchair. ---> A lady hit a man .
A lady hit a man .
I was on time. ---> I was on time.
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The car dealership told his customer with excitement to pay with coins behind the shop. ---> The car dealership told his customer to pay .
The car dealership told his customer to pay .
With all due respect, I disagree. ---> , I disagree.
, I disagree.
He shouted at his dog with a whistle. ---> He shouted .
He shouted .
We decided that we'll rent a car with enthusiasm. ---> We decided that we'll rent a car .
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Karen found her meaning in life in the shower. ---> Karen found her meaning .
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Hold my hand with 6 fingers. ---> Hold my hand .
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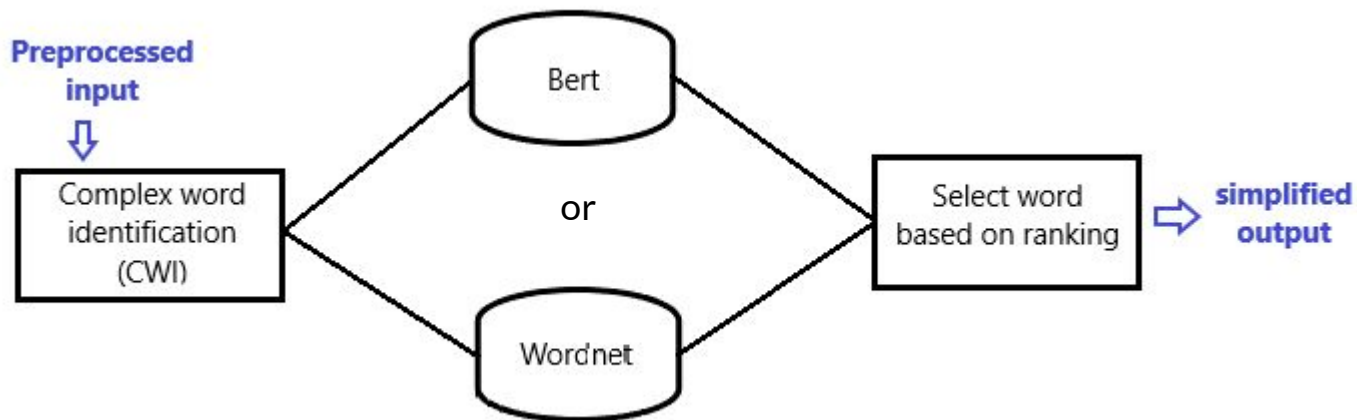
Further to-do with PP removal

- Search for in/mono/bi-transitivity to avoid unnecessary reduction (only clue: verbnet)
- Deal with PP ancestor problem (see stanza's parser)
- Assign importance to PPs and do removal based on them

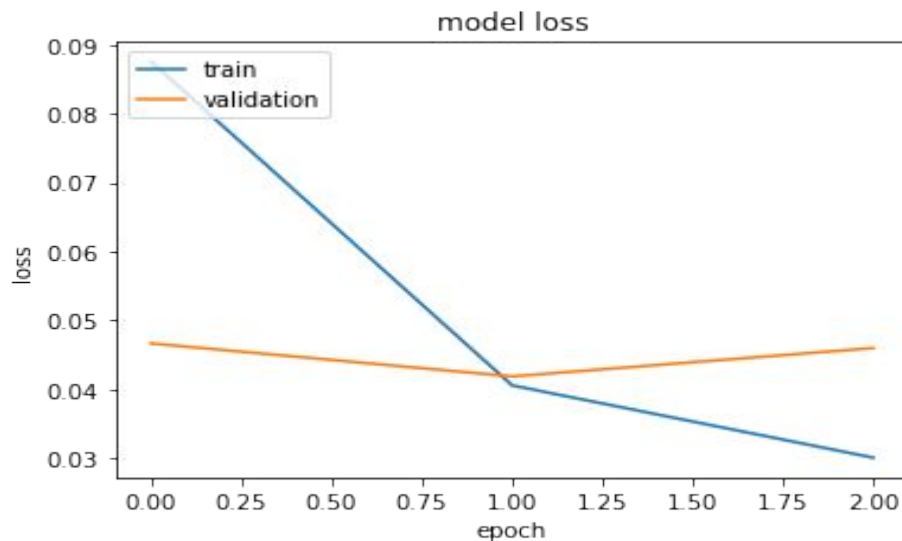


Lexical simplification

Pipeline



CWI model



The model is trained but we are not sure how to use it for the next step

With Bert



Already existing system found

We can expect result of the genre:

Original text	Simplified text
The Risk That Students Could Arrive at School With the Coronavirus As schools grapple with how to reopen , new estimates show that large parts of the country would probably see infected students if classrooms opened now.	The Risk That Students Could Arrive at School With the disease As schools deal with how to open new numbers show that large parts of the country would maybe see infected students if they opened now.
How a photograph of a young man cradling his dying friend sent me on a journey across India.	How a shot of a young man and his dead friend sent me on a tour across India.



With WordNet

Using **WordNet** and the **word frequency (zipfreq)**:

- We compare the frequency of the actual word and the candidate (set of lemmas of the hypernym):
 - If the candidate is more frequent we replace the actual word
 - Else we keep the actual word



With WordNet

Original sentence	Simplified sentence
I have a corgi and a bike	I have a dog and a bike



Interface Presentation



Future work :

- Continue on syntactic simplification
- Continue on Lexical simplification
- Perfect the interface



Thank you

Questions?