Natural Language Processing

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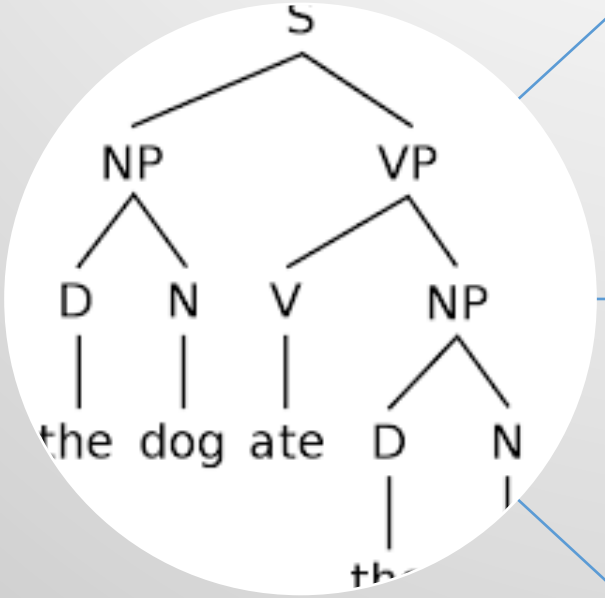
Part Three: Sentences



Topics

- Finding a corpus
- Getting a corpus from the web

Quizzes

- Q: later

Homework

- Project: Web Crawler

Finding a corpus

- A corpus (plural, corpora) is a collection of linguistic data such as written texts
- Corpora are used by linguists to study language
- Corpora are used by NLP practitioners to build a model of language, or machine learning tasks

Finding a corpus

Some resources:

- https://nlpforhackers.io/corpora/
- https://github.com/jojonki/NLP-Corpora
- https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/List_of_text_corpora
- https://ai.googleblog.com/2019/09/announcing-two-new-natural-language.html

Building a corpus

- WoZ – wizard of Oz technique for dialogue systems involves having humans interact with people, modeling best practices
- Annotating data from the web can be expensive and time-consuming
  - Stanford used stars to annotate movie reviews
  - An alternative is using Amazon's Mechanical Turk

Building a corpus

- A gold standard data set has been reliably annotated with labels, typically by multiple experts
- Kappa is a measure of inter-annotator agreement
- Using 4 or more MTurk workers (with a few caveats) gets quality comparable to annotation by experts

Get Twitter data

- The tweepy library
- Must have user account and developer account: https://developer.twitter.com/en/apply-for-access
- Set up a free personal account with standard access
- Get personal keys from the Developer pages

Step 1: Set up authorization

Code 12.2.1 — Downloading Tweets. Setting up authorization

```
consumer_key = 'your info here'
consumer_secret = 'your info here'
access_token = 'your info here'
access_token_secret = 'your info here'

# make sure to install tweepy first
import tweepy as tw

auth = tw.OAuthHandler(consumer_key, consumer_secret)
auth.set_access_token(access_token, access_token_secret)
api = tw.API(auth, wait_on_rate_limit=True)
```

Search

- tw.Cursor() method does the search
- Returns an iterable ‘tweets’ object

Code 12.2.2 — Downloading Tweets. Search and download code

```
# try a search
search_words = '#nlp+#ml -filter:retweets'
date_since = "2019-07-01"

# Collect 5 tweets about nlp
tweets = tw.Cursor(api.search,
                   q=search_words,
                   lang="en",
                   since=date_since).items(5)
```

Extract info from tweets

- Iterate over the tweets

```
# save data in a list
user_location_text =
      [[tweet.user.screen_name, tweet.user.location, tweet.text]
                        for tweet in tweets]

# store it in a pandas data frame
import pandas as pd

df = pd.DataFrame(data=user_location_text,
                  columns=['user', 'location', 'tweet'])
df.head()
```

output

- information extracted:

	user	location	tweet
0	Deep_In_Depth	Digne-les-Bains, France	Moore's Law Is Dying. This Brain-Inspired Anal...
1	Colin_Hung	Toronto	Underpinning effective #AI #NLP #ML and #SDOH ...
2	BreanaPatelnyc	🗽🇺🇸www.breanapatel.com	Difficulties in explaining machine learning (M...
3	Deep_In_Depth	Digne-les-Bains, France	AI Can Read A Cardiac MRI In 4 Seconds: Do We ...
4	CasonCherry	New Hampshire, USA	The @lexfridman podcast with @GaryMarcus g...

Figure 12.1: Downloaded Tweets

Getting Wikipedia data

- Library wikipedia; other methods suggested for heavy downloads
- Get a summary:

Code 12.3.1 — Get a summary. First sentences from an article

```
import wikipedia

print(wikipedia.summary('Texas')
```

Extract attributes from a page

- After the page is downloaded

Code 12.3.2 — Article. Extract attributes

```
# set variable 'austin' to refer to a page
austin = wikipedia.page('Austin, Texas')

# extract title
austin.title

# extract the text from the article
austin_text = austin.content

# extract the links for the article
austin_links = austin.links
```

- See online notebooks for more examples

Web scraping

- Web scraping – extracting information from web pages
- Web crawler – program that crawls web links to extract information
- Two helpful libraries:
  - urllib – handles urls
  - Beautiful Soup – extracts data

HTML

- HTML (Hyper Text Markup Language) to form the structure of the web page
- Simple HTML example:
- Tags are in start/stop pairs
- <x> </x>
- <! ...> comment
- Tags not case sensitive
- First line DOCTYPE required
- Content within body tags is displayed

```
<!DOCTYPE html>
<html>
<body>
  <h1>A level 1 heading</h1>
    <p>A paragraph</p>
  <h2>A smaller heading</h2>
    <p> another paragraph</p>
  <ol>
    <li> the first item </li>
    <li> the second item </li>
  </ol>
</body>
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```

HTML

- Headings range h1 to h6
- White space ignored
- <p> for text chunks
- Lists can be ordered
- or unordered (bullets)

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Head tags

- Before body tags
- Title
- Meta data

```
<head>
  <title>An Interesting Title</title>
</head>
```

CSS

- Formatting is possible within tags for font, color, etc
- Best practice: Separate content and formatting
- Cascading style sheets usually imported from another file within the head tags
- Advantage: format once, applied everywhere

```
<head>
<link rel="stylesheet" type="text/css" href="mystyle.css">
</head>
```

Image tags and links

- image tags

```
<img src="myfolder/myimage.png" width="500" height="400"
                    alt="Description here">
```

- link tags <a>
  - use / at end

```
<a href="https://www.somepage.com/index.html/" > link text </a>
```

Tables

ID	Name	GPA
101	Sally Smith	3.8
102	Mark Jones	3.24

```
<table>
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    <th>Name</th>
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```

Other tags

- Script tags for javascript
- Meta tags for keywords and other info used by web crawlers
- just groups items in a container
- Right-click on a web page, View Source to see more tags

How websites work

- A website is just a collection of pages and other files that share a common domain name like amazon.com
- A web server is a computer that receives requests for a web page from a browser and returns the content of the page
- Client-server relationship

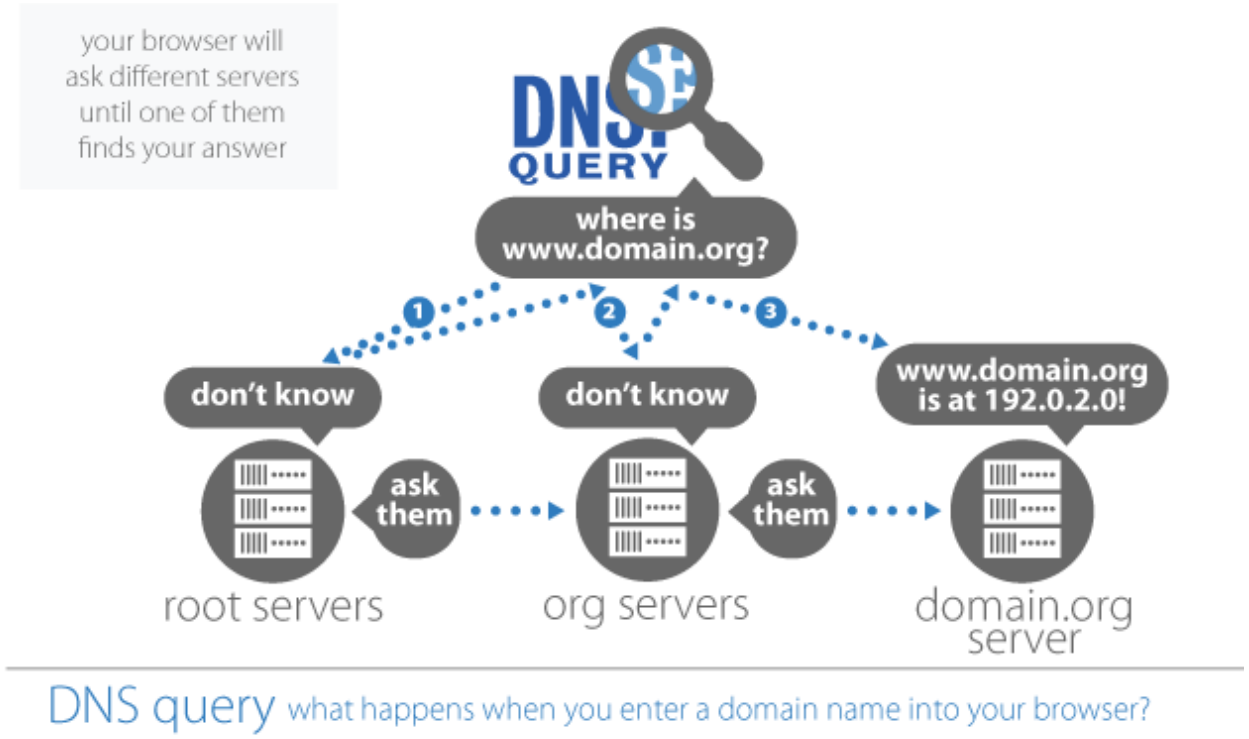
protocols

- HTTP hypertext transfer protocol is the protocol used by web servers and browsers
- Transmission is in packets
- Packets are handled with TCP/IP transmission control protocol and Internet protocol
- The web browser collects the packets and puts together the page in displayable form

HTTP protocol

- Types of requests and responses
  - GET - to request data from a resource
  - POST - to create or update a resource
  - PUT - similar to POST but will not create multiple resources if multiple PUTs are issued
  - DELETE - to delete a resource
- Status codes
  - 400 Bad Request - the server did not understand your request
  - 403 Forbidden - your client does not have access to the content
  - 404 Not Found - the URL is not recognized
  - 408 Request Timeout - the server shut down a request it felt had gone idle

Domain names



- Domain names like www.amazon.com get translated to an IP address
- DNS servers provide lookup of IP address

IP addresses

- IPv4 addresses are 32 bits (4 billion addresses)
- Four numbers separated by dots

```
72.14.255.255
```

- IPv6 addresses are 128 bits
- Written in hex with groups separated by colons

```
2001:0db8:85a3:0000:0000:8a2e:0370:7334
```

Question

True or false. If it’s on the web, it’s free.

The robots.txt file

- Specifies how to crawl a site
- Typically on root directory
- First item below is for Google’s web crawler
- Second is for everyone else

```
# Google
User-agent: Googlebot
Disallow: /nogooglebot/

# Everyone else
User-agent: *
Allow: /
```

The urllib library

- To download some text:

Code 12.4.1 — Using urllib. Reading text

```
from urllib import request

url = "http://www.gutenberg.org/files/2554/2554-0.txt"

with request.urlopen(url) as f:
    raw = f.read().decode('utf-8-sig')
print('len=', len(raw))
raw[:200]
```

```
len= 1176966
'The Project Gutenberg EBook of Crime and Punishment, by Fyodor Dostoevsky'
```

Beautiful Soup

- Install with pip/pip3 install BeautifulSoup4
- First, create a soup object

Code 12.4.2 — Using Beautiful Soup. Extracting text

```
import urllib
from urllib import request
from bs4 import BeautifulSoup

url = 'https://nyti.ms/2uAQS89'
html = request.urlopen(url).read().decode('utf8')
soup = BeautifulSoup(html)

# extract text
text = soup.get_text()
```

Extract by tag type

- Extract paragraphs

Code 12.4.3 — Using Beautiful Soup. Extracting p tags

```
for p in soup.select('p'):
    print(p.get_text())
```

- Extract links

Code 12.4.4

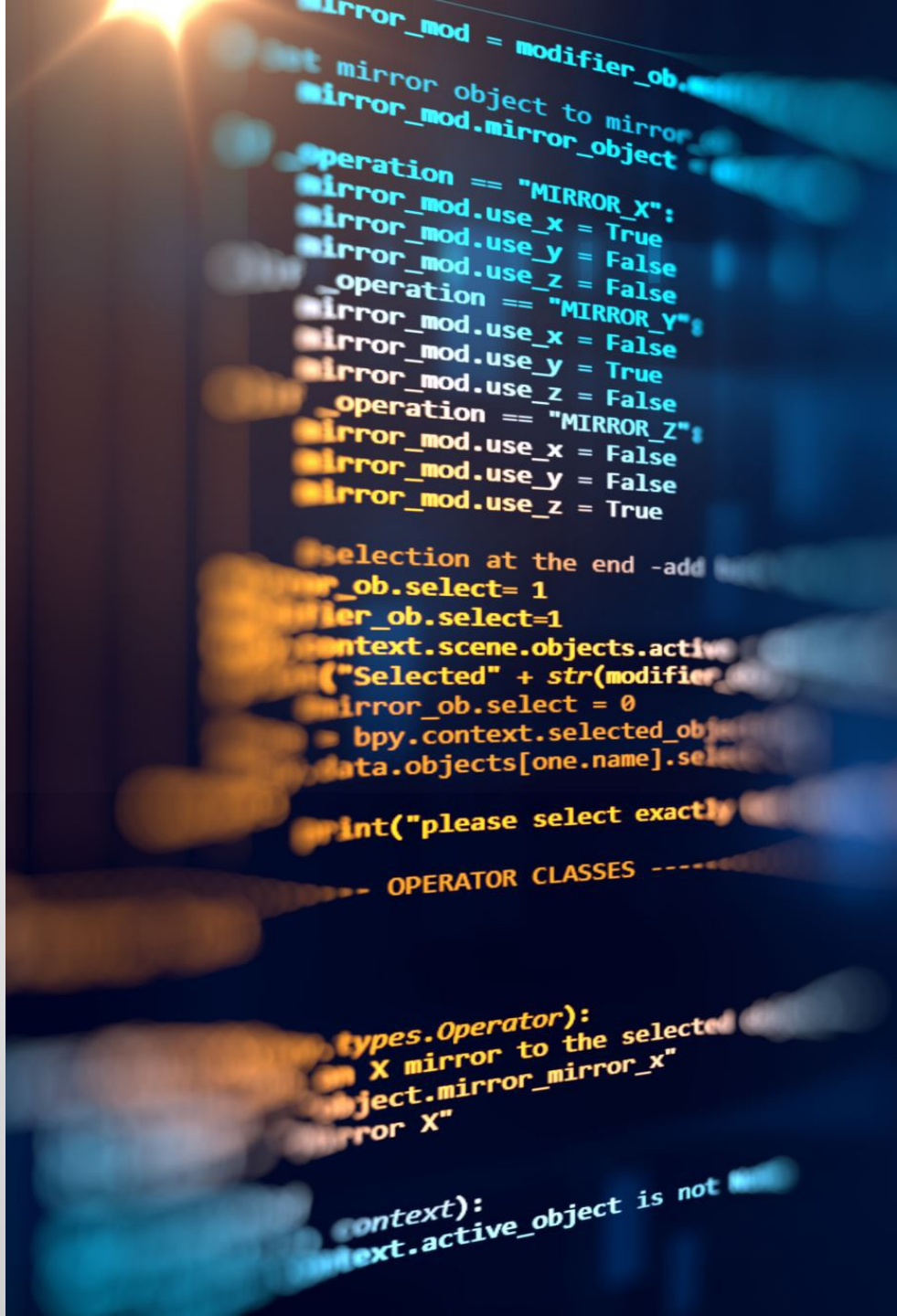
```
counter = 0
for link in soup.find_all('a'):
    counter += 1
    if counter > 10:
        break
    print(link.get('href'))
```

Web crawler

- See this notebook: 3 - Web crawler – almost
- https://github.com/kjmazidi/NLP/tree/master/Xtra_Python_Material/Web_Scraping

Project: Web Crawler

- Build a corpus that could be used for a chatbot



Python Code Examples

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Essential points to note

- Many major sites provide an API for crawling
- Respect the rules of a site when you scrape data