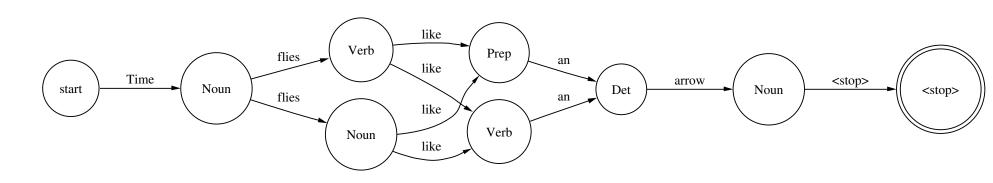
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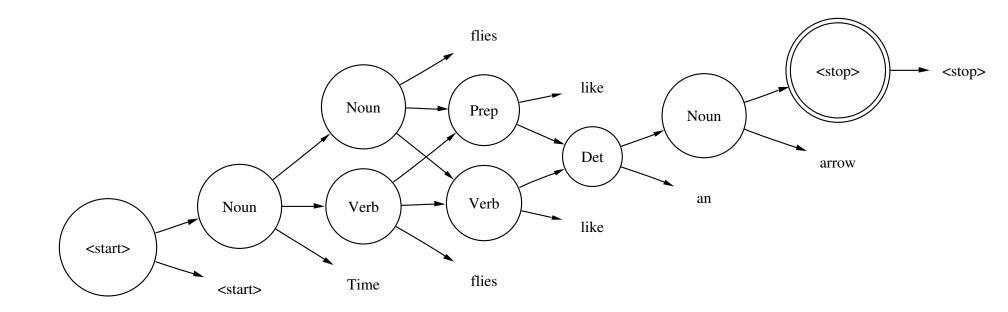
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Part of Speech Tagging: Mealy Machine



Addressing one type of ambiguity in language: Time flies like an arrow

Part of Speech Tagging: Moore Machine



Human Supervision in Part of Speech Tagging

In unseen data, we wish to find the part of speech tags:

Input: In 1994, Hartnett said

Output: In_IN 1994_CD ,_ , Hartnett_NNP said_VBD

- The set of part of speech tags are decided by experts
- The experts also have to provide adequate amounts of data in which the part of speech tags have been listed for each word in context.
- This general approach is called supervised learning since the training data is provided by humans.

Trigram Models for Part of Speech Tagging

In_IN 1994_CD ,_, Hartnett_NNP said_VBD

THE_DT BONEYARD_NNP Northrop_NNP Grumman_NNP 's_POS modest_JJ flight_NN museum_NN occupies_VBZ a_DT corner_NN of_IN one_CD of_IN its_PRP\\$ power-seat_NN adjusters_NNS ,_, door_NN trim_JJ now_RB made_VBN in_IN South_NNP Korea_NNP 's_POS antiquated_JJ coal-fired_JJ power_NN plant_NN in_IN Canada_NNP ,_, to_TO a_DT 11.9_CD million_CD mark_NN investment_NN in_IN Samsung_NNP 's_POS Sachon_NNP plant_NN in_IN Taiwan_NNP as_IN part_NN of_IN a_DT steam_NN turbine_NN ,_, a_DT new_JJ high-yielding_JJ rice_NN plant_NN was_VBD reorganized_VBN into_IN a_DT big_JJ expansion_NN of_IN a_DT fuel-fabrication_NN plant_NN near_IN Nagoya_NNP in_IN Aichi_NNP Prefecture_NNP

From_IN October_NNP ,_, when_WRB they_PRP do VBP not RB need VB it PRP

Borges gives a vague reference to some work by Franz Kuhn allegedly commenting on the classification of animals by a Chinese encyclopedia called the _Celestial Emporium of Benevolent Knowledge_.

>> ... animals are divided into:

- (a) those that belong to the Emperor,
- (b) embalmed ones,
- (c) those that are trained,
- (d) suckling pigs,
- (e) mermaids,
- (f) fabulous ones,
- (g) stray dogs,
- (h) those that are included in this classification,
- (i) those that tremble as if they were mad,
- (j) innumerable ones,
- (k) those drawn with a very fine camel brush,
- (1) others,
- (m) those that have just broken a flower vase,
- (n) those that resemble flies from a distance. <<
- -- Jorge Luis Borges, "Other Inquisitions"

- Let the input sentence (word sequence) be w_0, w_1, \ldots, w_n
- Let the most likely tag sequence be $T^* = t_0^*, t_1^*, \dots, t_n^*$
- In order to compare all possible tag sequences we build a probability model:

$$P(t_0, t_1, \ldots, t_n \mid w_0, w_1, \ldots, w_n)$$

The best (or most likely) tag sequence is:

$$T^* = \underset{t_0, \ldots, t_n}{\operatorname{arg max}} P(t_0, \ldots, t_n \mid w_0, \ldots, w_n)$$

$$P(w_0, \dots, w_n \mid t_0, \dots, t_n)$$

$$= P(w_0 \mid t_0) \times P(w_1 \mid t_1) \times \dots \times P(w_n \mid t_n)$$

$$= \prod_{i=0}^n P(w_i \mid t_i)$$

$$P(t_0, ..., t_n)$$
= $P(t_0) \times P(t_1 | t_0) \times P(t_2 | t_0, t_1) \times ... \times P(t_n | t_{n-2}, t_{n-1})$
= $P(t_0) \times P(t_1 | t_0) \times \prod_{i=2}^{n} P(t_i | t_{i-2}, t_{i-1})$

$$P(t_{0},...,t_{n} \mid w_{0},...,w_{n})$$

$$= P(w_{0},...,w_{n} \mid t_{0},...,t_{n}) \times P(t_{0},...,t_{n})$$

$$= \left(\prod_{i=0}^{n} P(w_{i} \mid t_{i})\right) \times \left(P(t_{0}) \times P(t_{1} \mid t_{0}) \times \prod_{i=2}^{n} P(t_{i} \mid t_{i-2},t_{i-1})\right)$$

$$= \prod_{i=0}^{n} P(w_{i} \mid t_{i}) \times P(t_{i} \mid t_{i-2},t_{i-1})$$

 So, all we need to do to find the most likely tag sequence is to train the following two probability models:

$$P(w_i | t_i)$$
 and $P(t_i | t_{i-2}, t_{i-1})$

- Easy to do if we have training data with word and tag sequences.
- All we need after we have the probability models is an algorithm to find the most likely tag sequence
- Use the algorithm used to find the best tag sequence in Hidden Markov Models: the Viterbi algorithm

- **Evaluation**: *train* your model on the training data, *test* on unseen test data to obtain best tag sequence for each word sequence.
- **Accuracy** is measured as the percentage of correct tags for words in the test data.

Brief History of Part of Speech Tagging

- Corpus building: English
 - Brown Corpus: 1979 (87 tags)
 - Penn Treebank Corpus: 1993 (45 tags)
 - British National Corpus (BNC): 1997
 - LOB corpus
- Other languages: Chinese, Czech, German, Korean, Turkish, . . .

Brief History of Part of Speech Tagging

- Models and Algorithms:
 - ngram models for tagging: Church 1988
 - extension of ngram model using HMMs: Xerox (Cutting et al) 1992
 - Transformation-Based Learning: Brill 1995
 - Maximum Entropy Models: Ratnaparkhi 1997
- Current work, using POS tagging to find phrases: Chunking