Purpose of Training

The chatbot is designed to **assist university users** by handling queries related to:

- Greetings and farewells
- Library opening hours
- Campus locations (e.g., library, cafeteria)
- Daily cafeteria menu
- · Professors' office hours

Training Data Used

✓ nlu.yml

Contains user input examples for 6 intents:

- greet, goodbye, ask_hours, ask_location, ask_menu, ask_schedule
- Uses labeled entities like entity (e.g., library) and professor (e.g., Dr. Jones)

domain.yml

Defines:

- Intents and entities
- Bot **responses** (e.g., utter_library_hours)
- Custom actions:
 - action_retrieve_location
 - o action_retrieve_menu
 - o action_retrieve_schedule

stories.yml

Defines conversation flows for:

- Responding to each intent with either a static message or a custom action
- Handling fallback (unrecognized intent)

Execution Command

!source /usr/local/rasa_venv/bin/activate && rasa train

This command **activates the virtual environment** and trains the Rasa model on the above files.

© Rasa Training Process

The **training process in Rasa** serves to build **two core models** that power the chatbot's behavior:

- 1. Natural Language Understanding (NLU) Model
 - Goal: Understand user messages by extracting:
 - Intent (e.g., ask_location)
 - Entities (e.g., library, Dr. Jones)
 - Training Data: Comes from nlu.yml.
- 2. Dialogue Management (Core) Model
 - o **Goal**: Learn how to respond appropriately based on:
 - Current user intent
 - Past conversation history
 - Training Data: Comes from stories.yml and rules.yml.

Models Used in Training

Based on Rasa 3.1 and default behavior, the models used during the training process are:

- For NLU:
 - Tokenizer: WhitespaceTokenizer
 - Featurizer: CountVectorsFeaturizer or DIETClassifier
 - Classifier: DIETClassifier (Dual Intent and Entity Transformer)
 - Handles both intent classification and entity extraction using a transformer architecture.
- For Dialogue Management:
 - Policy: RulePolicy
 - Executes predefined rules (e.g., ask_hours → utter_library_hours).

- **Policy**: MemoizationPolicy
 - o Remembers previously seen conversations from stories.yml.
- **Optional**: TEDPolicy (Transformer Embedding Dialogue)
 - Learns general conversation patterns not covered by memorization or rules.

These are configured in **config.yml**, which defines the pipeline and policies. If it's not specified, Rasa uses default settings.

Summary

Component	Purpose	Model Used
NLU	Classify intents, extract entities	DIETClassifier
Dialogue	Predict next bot action	RulePolicy, MemoizationPolicy (possibly TEDPolicy)

© Purpose of test_nlu.yml

This file contains **example user messages** along with their **correct intent labels** and **entities**. It is used to check how well the chatbot's NLU model can:

- Detect the correct intent (what the user wants)
- Identify the correct **entities** (specific details like names, places, etc.)

What Happens During rasa test nlu

1. Rasa loads the trained model

o This model was built using training data from nlu.yml.

2. It reads test_nlu.yml

o It goes through each example like:

"where is the <u>library</u>?"

o It knows that the correct intent is ask_location and the entity is library.

3. Model makes predictions

- The model guesses what the intent and entities are for each example.
- Rasa compares these predictions with the correct answers from test_nlu.yml.

4. Results are saved and displayed

- Intent classification report: results/intent_report.json
- Entity extraction report: results/DIETClassifier_report.json
- Confusion matrix: Shows where the model made correct or wrong predictions

Example Use

From test_nlu.yml:

- intent: ask_schedule

examples: |

- when can I meet [Dr. Jones](professor)?

Model's Task:

- Intent → Should predict ask_schedule
- Entity → Should extract Dr. Jones as professor

If the prediction is correct, it contributes to the model's **accuracy score**.

★ Summary

Step	What it does
Load Model	Use the trained model from previous steps
Read Test File	Use test_nlu.yml to evaluate performance
Compare Predictions	Check predicted vs. expected intents/entities
Save Results	Report accuracy and errors to results/ folder

To analyze your **Rasa NLU test results**, here's how to interpret the output

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2025-05-22 13:27:55 INFO rasa.nlu.test - Classification report saved to results/DIETClassifier_report.
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Intent Confusion Matrix

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[[3 0 0 0 0 0]

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This matrix compares true intents (rows) with predicted intents (columns).

Each row = true intent class
Each column = predicted intent class

Example Interpretation:

- Class 0 (1st row): 3 correct predictions
- Class 1 (2nd row): 2 correct, 1 misclassified as class 0
- Classes 2 to 5: 3 correct each
- The only error is:
 - 1 instance of intent class 1 was predicted as class 0

Entity Confusion Matrix

Interpretation

Each row = actual (true) entity label Each column = predicted entity label

Class	Meaning (assumed)	True Samples	Correct	Errors
0	(e.g., entity)	4	3	1 predicted as class 1
1	(e.g., professor)	63	63	0 errors
2	(e.g., location)	6	6	0 errors

Findings

- Class 1 and 2: Perfect entity extraction no errors
- / Class 0:
 - o 3 correct predictions
 - o 1 mistake: it was predicted as class 1