

spaCy pipelines

NATURAL LANGUAGE PROCESSING WITH SPACY



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spaCy pipelines

- `spaCy` first tokenizes the text to produce a `Doc` object
- The `Doc` is processed in several different steps of **processing pipeline**

```
import spacy
nlp = spacy.load("en_core_web_sm")

doc = nlp(example_text)
```

spaCy pipelines

- A pipeline is a sequence of pipes, or actors on data
- A spaCy NER pipeline:
 - Tokenization
 - Named entity identification
 - Named entity classification



```
print([ent.text for ent in doc.ents])
```

Adding pipes

- `sentencizer` : `spacy` pipeline component for sentence segmentation.

```
text = " ".join(["This is a test sentence."]*10000)
en_core_sm_nlp = spacy.load("en_core_web_sm")
start_time = time.time()
doc = en_core_sm_nlp(text)
print(f"Finished processing with en_core_web_sm model in
      {round((time.time() - start_time)/60.0 , 5)} minutes")
```

```
>>> Finished processing with en_core_web_sm model in 0.09332 minutes
```

Adding pipes

- Create a blank model and add a `sentencizer` pipe:

```
blank_nlp = spacy.blank("en")
blank_nlp.add_pipe("sentencizer")
start_time = time.time()
doc = blank_nlp(text)
print(f"Finished processing with blank model in
      {round((time.time() - start_time)/60.0 , 5)} minutes")
```

```
>>> Finished processing with blank model in 0.00091 minutes
```

Analyzing pipeline components

- `nlp.analyze_pipes()` analyzes a `spacy` pipeline to determine:
 - Attributes that pipeline components set
 - Scores a component produces during training
 - Presence of all required attributes
- Setting `pretty` to `True` will print a table instead of only returning the structured data.

```
import spacy
```

```
nlp = spacy.load("en_core_web_sm")
```

```
analysis = nlp.analyze_pipes(pretty=True)
```

Analyzing pipeline components

===== Pipeline Overview =====					
#	Component	Assigns	Requires	Scores	Retokenizes
-	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
0	tok2vec	doc.tensor			False
1	tagger	token.tag		tag_acc	False
2	parser	token.dep token.head token.is_sent_start doc.sents		dep_uas dep_las dep_las_per_type sents_p sents_r sents_f	False
3	attribute_ruler				False
4	lemmatizer	token.lemma		lemma_acc	False
5	ner	doc.ents token.ent_iob token.ent_type		ents_f ents_p ents_r ents_per_type	False
6	entity_linker	token.ent_kb_id	doc.ents doc.sents token.ent_iob token.ent_type	nel_micro_f nel_micro_r nel_micro_p	False
✓ No problems found.					

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spaCy EntityRuler

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spaCy EntityRuler

- `EntityRuler` adds named-entities to a `Doc` container
- It can be used on its own or combined with `EntityRecognizer`
- **Phrase entity patterns** for exact string matches (string):

```
{"label": "ORG", "pattern": "Microsoft"}
```

- **Token entity patterns** with one dictionary describing one token (list):

```
{"label": "GPE", "pattern": [{"LOWER": "san"}, {"LOWER": "francisco"}]}
```

Adding EntityRuler to spaCy pipeline

- Using `.add_pipe()` method
- List of patterns can be added using `.add_patterns()` method

```
nlp = spacy.blank("en")
entity_ruler = nlp.add_pipe("entity_ruler")
patterns = [{"label": "ORG", "pattern": "Microsoft"},
            {"label": "GPE", "pattern": [{"LOWER": "san"}, {"LOWER": "francisco"}]}]
entity_ruler.add_patterns(patterns)
```

Adding EntityRuler to spaCy pipeline

- `.ents` store the results of an `EntityLinker` component

```
doc = nlp("Microsoft is hiring software developer in San Francisco.")  
print([(ent.text, ent.label_) for ent in doc.ents])
```

```
[('Microsoft', 'ORG'), ('San Francisco', 'GPE')]
```

EntityRuler in action

- Integrates with `spacy` pipeline components
- Enhances the named-entity recognizer
- `spacy` model without `EntityRuler`:

```
nlp = spacy.load("en_core_web_sm")  
  
doc = nlp("Manhattan associates is a company in the U.S.")  
print([(ent.text, ent.label_) for ent in doc.ents])
```

```
>>> [('Manhattan', 'GPE'), ('U.S.', 'GPE')]
```

EntityRuler in action

- `EntityRuler` added after existing `ner` component:

```
nlp = spacy.load("en_core_web_sm")
ruler = nlp.add_pipe("entity_ruler", after='ner')
patterns = [{"label": "ORG", "pattern": [{"lower": "manhattan"}, {"lower": "associates"}]}]
ruler.add_patterns(patterns)

doc = nlp("Manhattan associates is a company in the U.S.")
print([(ent.text, ent.label_) for ent in doc.ents])
```

```
>>> [('Manhattan', 'GPE'), ('U.S.', 'GPE')]
```

EntityRuler in action

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```
nlp = spacy.load("en_core_web_sm")
ruler = nlp.add_pipe("entity_ruler", before='ner')
patterns = [{"label": "ORG", "pattern": [{"lower": "manhattan"}, {"lower": "associates"}]}]
ruler.add_patterns(patterns)

doc = nlp("Manhattan associates is a company in the U.S.")
print([(ent.text, ent.label_) for ent in doc.ents])
```

```
>>> [('Manhattan associates', 'ORG'), ('U.S.', 'GPE')]
```

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RegEx with spaCy

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What is RegEx?

- Rule-based information extraction (IR) is useful for many NLP tasks
- Regular expression (RegEx) is used with complex string matching patterns
- RegEx finds and retrieves patterns or replace matching patterns

Links

Phone number

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RegEx strengths and weaknesses

Pros:

- Enables writing robust rules to retrieve information
- Can allow us to find many types of variance in strings
- Runs fast
- Supported by programming languages

Cons:

- Syntax is challenging for beginners
- Requires knowledge of all the ways a pattern may be mentioned in texts

RegEx in Python

- Python comes prepackaged with a RegEx library, `re`.
- The first step in using `re` package is to define a `pattern`.
- The resulting pattern is used to find matching content.

```
import re
```

```
pattern = r"((\d){3}-)(\d){3}-(\d){4}"
```

```
text = "Our phone number is 832-123-5555 and their phone number is 425-123-4567."
```

RegEx in Python

- We use `.finditer()` method from `re` package

```
iter_matches = re.finditer(pattern, text)
for match in iter_matches:
    start_char = match.start()
    end_char = match.end()
    print ("Start character: ", start_char, "| End character: ", end_char,
          "| Matching text: ", text[start_char:end_char])
```

```
>>> Start character: 20 | End character: 32 | Matching text: 832-123-5555
Start character: 59 | End character: 71 | Matching text: 425-123-4567
```

RegEx in spaCy

- RegEx in three pipeline components: `Matcher` , `PhraseMatcher` and `EntityRuler` .

```
text = "Our phone number is 832-123-5555 and their phone number is 425-123-4567."
nlp = spacy.blank("en")
patterns = [{"label": "PHONE_NUMBER", "pattern": [{"SHAPE": "ddd"},
          {"ORTH": "-"}, {"SHAPE": "ddd"},
          {"ORTH": "-"}, {"SHAPE": "dddd"}]]}
ruler = nlp.add_pipe("entity_ruler")
ruler.add_patterns(patterns)
doc = nlp(text)
print([(ent.text, ent.label_) for ent in doc.ents])
```

```
>>> [('832-123-5555', 'PHONE_NUMBER'), ('425-123-4567', 'PHONE_NUMBER')]
```

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spaCy Matcher and PhraseMatcher

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Matcher in spaCy

- **RegEx** patterns can be complex, difficult to read and debug.
- `spaCy` provides a readable and production-level alternative, the `Matcher` class.

```
import spacy
from spacy.matcher import Matcher
nlp = spacy.load("en_core_web_sm")
doc = nlp("Good morning, this is our first day on campus.")
matcher = Matcher(nlp.vocab)
```

Matcher in spaCy

- Matching output include **start** and **end** token indices of the matched pattern.

```
pattern = [{"LOWER": "good"}, {"LOWER": "morning"}]  
matcher.add("morning_greeting", [pattern])  
matches = matcher(doc)  
for match_id, start, end in matches:  
    print("Start token: ", start, " | End token: ", end,  
          "| Matched text: ", doc[start:end].text)
```

```
>>> Start token:  0  | End token:  2 | Matched text:  Good morning
```

Matcher extended syntax support

- Allows operators in defining the matching patterns.
- Similar operators to Python's `in` , `not in` and comparison operators

Attribute	Value type	Description
<code>IN</code>	any type	Attribute value is a member of a list
<code>NOT_IN</code>	any type	Attribute value is <i>not</i> a member of a list
<code>==</code> , <code>>=</code> , <code><=</code> , <code>></code> , <code><</code>	int, float	Comparison operators for equality or inequality checks

Matcher extended syntax support

- Using `IN` operator to match both `good morning` and `good evening`

```
doc = nlp("Good morning and good evening.")
matcher = Matcher(nlp.vocab)
pattern = [{"LOWER": "good"}, {"LOWER": {"IN": ["morning", "evening"]}}]
matcher.add("morning_greeting", [pattern])
matches = matcher(doc)
```

- The output of matching using `IN` operator

```
for match_id, start, end in matches:
    print("Start token: ", start, " | End token: ", end,
          "| Matched text: ", doc[start:end].text)
```

```
>>> Start token: 0 | End token: 2 | Matched text: Good morning
Start token: 3 | End token: 5 | Matched text: good evening
```

PhraseMatcher in spaCy

- `PhraseMatcher` class matches a long list of phrases in a given text.

```
from spacy.matcher import PhraseMatcher
nlp = spacy.load("en_core_web_sm")
matcher = PhraseMatcher(nlp.vocab)
terms = ["Bill Gates", "John Smith"]
```

PhraseMatcher in spaCy

- PhraseMatcher outputs include **start** and **end** token indices of the matched pattern

```
patterns = [nlp.make_doc(term) for term in terms]
matcher.add("PeopleOfInterest", patterns)
doc = nlp("Bill Gates met John Smith for an important discussion regarding
          importance of AI.")
matches = matcher(doc)
for match_id, start, end in matches:
    print("Start token: ", start, " | End token: ", end,
          "| Matched text: ", doc[start:end].text)
```

```
>>> Start token:  0  | End token:  2 | Matched text:  Bill Gates
Start token:  3  | End token:  5 | Matched text:  John Smith
```

PhraseMatcher in spaCy

- We can use `attr` argument of the `PhraseMatcher` class

```
matcher = PhraseMatcher(nlp.vocab, attr = "LOWER")
terms = ["Government", "Investment"]
patterns = [nlp.make_doc(term) for term in terms]
matcher.add("InvestmentTerms", patterns)
doc = nlp("It was interesting to the investment division of the government.")
```

```
matcher = PhraseMatcher(nlp.vocab, attr = "SHAPE")
terms = ["110.0.0.0", "101.243.0.0"]
patterns = [nlp.make_doc(term) for term in terms]
matcher.add("IPAddresses", patterns)
doc = nlp("The tracked IP address was 234.135.0.0.")
```

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