



COMP5423 Natural Language Processing



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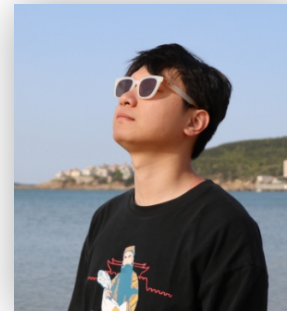
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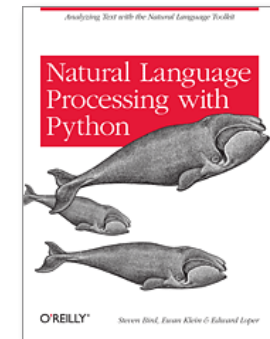
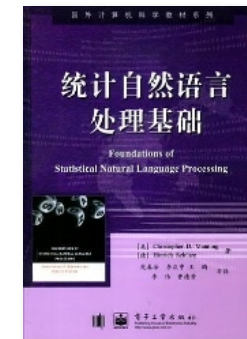
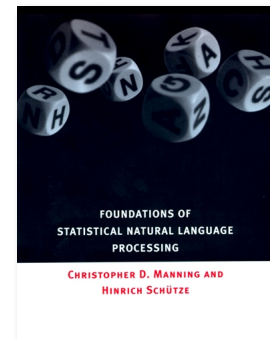
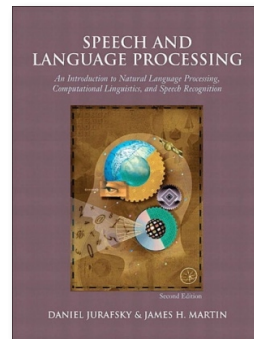
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■ Reference Books

- Speech and Language Processing: An Introduction to Natural Language Processing, Computational Linguistics and Speech Recognition (P98.J87)
- Foundations of Statistical Natural Language Processing (P98.5.S83 M36)

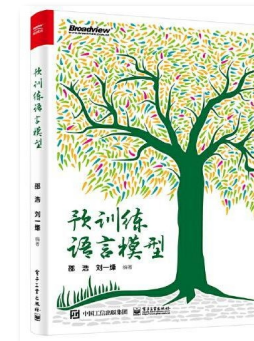
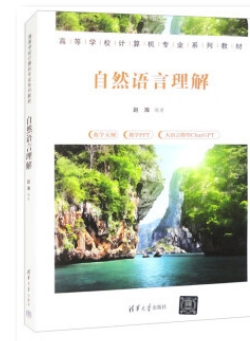
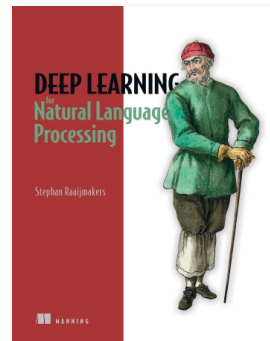
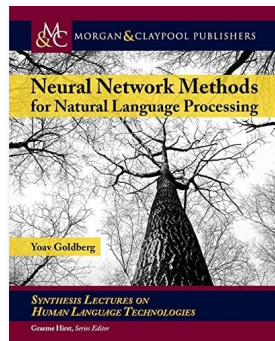
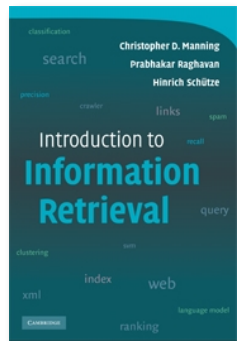


- Natural Language Processing with Python: Analyzing Text with the Natural Language Toolkit

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■ Reference Books

- [Introduction to Information Retrieval \(QA76.9.T48\)](#)



- [Neural Network Methods in Natural Language Processing \(PolyU Library Online Access\)](#)
- [Deep Learning for Natural Language Processing \(PolyU Library Online Access\)](#)

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■ Teaching Materials

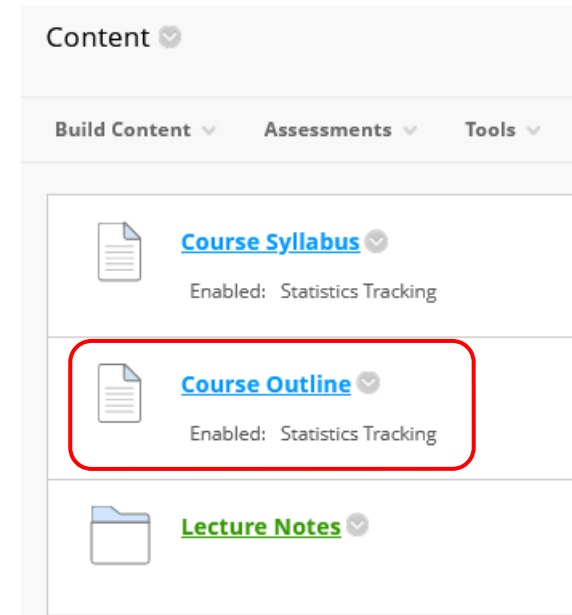
- ☐ Lecture notes, lab materials, lecture homework, lab assignment, project description, and supplementary reading materials, etc. are downloadable from Blackboard.
- ☐ Lecture notes and lab materials are normally available one day before class.
- ☐ Submit your homework, assignment, project code and report to the Blackboard by due time. The penalty for **late submission** (no later than one week) is a reduction by up to 10% of the total mark.



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■ Tentative Teaching Arrangement and Schedule

- Lecture Sessions (FJ304)
 - Weeks: 1, 2, 3, 5, 6, 9, 11, 12 and 13
- Lab Sessions (PQ604A/B/C)
 - Weeks: 4, 7 and 10
- Mid-Term Quiz
 - Week: 8
- See “Course Outline” in Blackboard for reference.



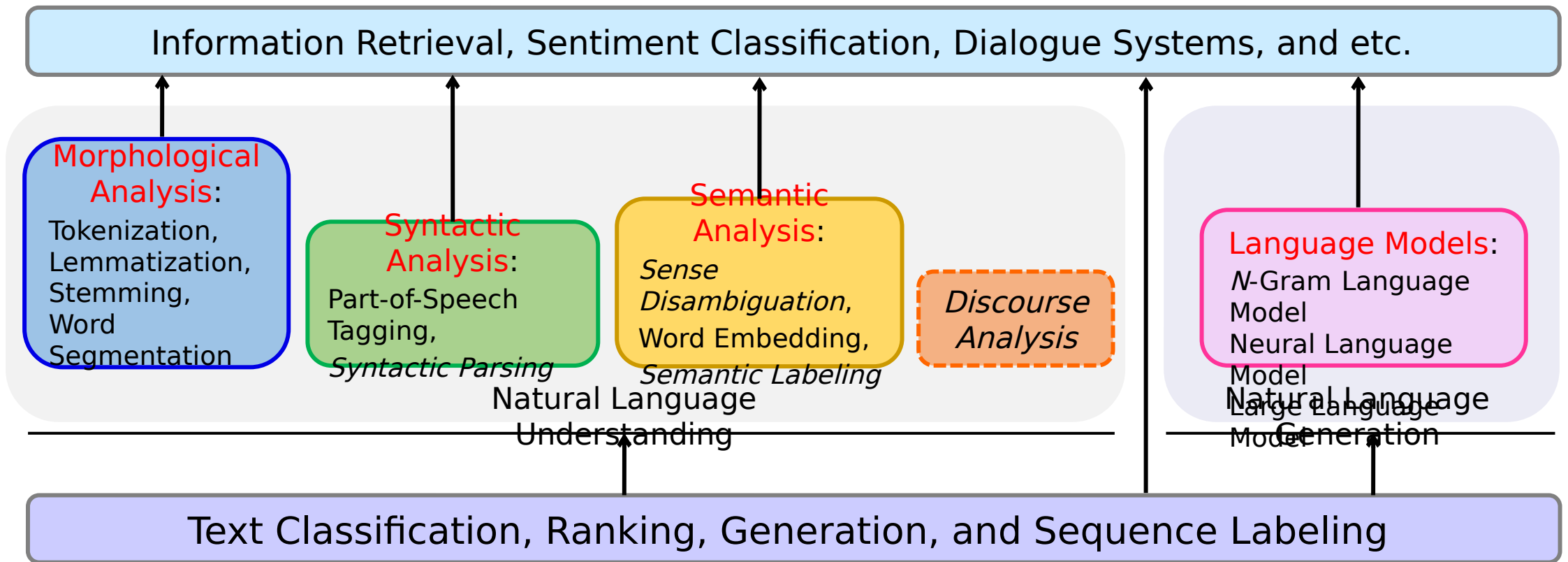
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■ Method of Assessment

□ Course Work	55%
■ Homework	5%
■ Lab Assignment	5%
■ Mid-Term Quiz	25%
■ Group Project	20%
□ Final Examination	45%

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■ Tentative Teaching Content



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- Lecture Sessions: NLP Concepts, Models, Approaches and Applications
- Natural Language Understanding (NLU)
 - Morphological/Lexical Analysis: Tokenization, Stemming/Lemmatization, Chinese Word Segmentation
 - Syntactic Analysis: Part-of-Speech (POS) Tagging, Syntactic Parsing (Constituency Parsing, Dependency Parsing), Chunking, Context-Free Grammar (aka. Phrase-Structure Grammar)

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■ Tentative Teaching Content

- Natural Language Understanding (NLU)
 - Semantic Analysis: Word Sense Disambiguation, Word Embedding, Semantic Role Labeling
 - Discourse Analysis: Co-Reference Resolution, Coherence Modeling
- Natural Language Generation (NLG)
 - N-Gram Language Models, Neural Language Models, Word-by-Word Generation, Rule-based Generation, Template-based Generation

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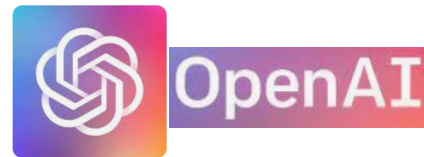
□ NLP Applications

- Information Retrieval (Ranking)
- Sentiment/Emotion Analysis (Classification)
- Information Extraction and Knowledge Discovery (Sequence Labeling)
- Question Answering (Classification, Information Retrieval and Information Extraction)
- Machine Translation (NLU and NLG)
- Text Summarization (Ranking, NLU and NLG)
- Dialogue Systems (NLU, NLG, QA, IR, Recommendation)

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■ Tentative Teaching Content

- Lab Sessions: NLP Toolkits like NLTK and [Stanford CoreNLP](#), Neural Language Models like BERT, GPTs and ChatGPT, Large Language Models like LLAMA, MISTRAL and etc.



- Group Project: TBC

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■ Pre-Requisites

- ☐ No Pre-Requisites? Definitely NOT!
- ☐ Machine Learning Knowledge: Classification (e.g., SVM, NB, Random Forest), Sequence Modeling (e.g., Hidden Markov Models), Neural Network Models (e.g., Feedforward Neural Networks)
- ☐ Programming Skill: Python
- ☐ Please find the “Supplementary Reading Materials” in Blackboard for your reference.



NLTK: Natural Language Processing with Python

Toolkit Download: <https://www.nltk.org/>

Book Website: <https://www.nltk.org/book/>

Youtube:

- Tokenizing Words and Sentences: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=FLZvOKSCkxY&list=PLQVvva0QuDf2JswnfGkliBlnZnIC4HL&index=1>
- Stop Words: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=w36-UccajM&list=PLQVvva0QuDf2JswnfGkliBlnZnIC4HL&index=2>
- Stemming: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=yGKTphqxR9Q&list=PLQVvva0QuDf2JswnfGkliBlnZnIC4HL&index=3>
- Part of Speech Tagging: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6j6M2MtEqi8&list=PLQVvva0QuDf2JswnfGkliBlnZnIC4HL&index=4>
- Chunking: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=imPpT2Qo2sk&list=PLQVvva0QuDf2JswnfGkliBlnZnIC4HL&index=5>
- Named Entity Recognition: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LFxsG7fueyk&list=PLQVvva0QuDf2JswnfGkliBlnZnIC4HL&index=7>
- Lemmatizing: https://learn.polyu.edu.hk/webapps/blackboard/execute/manageCourseItem?content_id=3933048_1&course_id=82088_1&dispatch=edit
- WordNet: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=T68P5-8tM-Y&list=PLQVvva0QuDf2JswnfGkliBlnZnIC4HL&index=10>
- Text Classification: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zi16nl82AMA&list=PLQVvva0QuDf2JswnfGkliBlnZnIC4HL&index=11>
- Words as Features for Learning: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-vVskDsHcVc&list=PLQVvva0QuDf2JswnfGkliBlnZnIC4HL&index=12>
- Naive Bayes: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rISOsUaTrO4&list=PLQVvva0QuDf2JswnfGkliBlnZnIC4HL&index=13>
- Scikit-Learn Incorporation: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nla4C-VYNEU&list=PLQVvva0QuDf2JswnfGkliBlnZnIC4HL&index=15>



Stanford CoreNLP Toolkit

Download: <https://stanfordnlp.github.io/CoreNLP/>



Scikit-Learn: Machine Learning in Python

Website: <https://scikit-learn.org/stable/>



Python Tutorial

Enabled: Statistics Tracking



PyTorch Tutorials

Website: <https://pytorch.org/tutorials/>



TensorFlow Tutorials

Website: <https://www.tensorflow.org/tutorials/index.html>



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