Part-of-Speech Tagging

- · Input some sentence
- Output have a tagged sequence each word is given an associated tag

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INPUT:

Profits soared at Boeing Co., easily topping forecasts on Wall Street, as their CEO Alan Mulally announced first quarter results.

OUTPUT:

Profits N soared Y at P Boeing N Co./N ./, easily/ADV topping/V forecasts/N on/P Wall/N Street/N ./, as/P their/POSS CEO/N Alan/N Mulally/N announced/V first/ADJ quarter/N results/N ./.

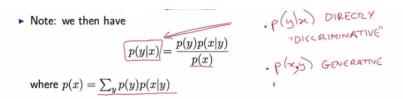
N = Noun
V = Verb
P = Preposition
Adv = Adverb
Adj = Adjective
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- Named Entity Recognition
 - · Input some sentence
 - Output named entities
 - · A company, location, Person
- Named Entity Extraction as Tagging
 - Input some sentence
 - Output tagged sequence
 - NA = No entity
 - SC = Start company
 - CC = Continue Company
 - SL = Start location
 - CL = Continue Location
- Our Goal
 - Treat as machine learning problem
 - Training set
 - A set of sentences
 - Training sentences annotated by hand

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| Trailing Set:
| 1 Pierre/NNP Vinken/NNP ./_ 61/CD years/NNS old/JJ ./, will/MD join/VB the/DT board/NN as/IN a/DT nonexecutive/JJ director/NN Nov./NNP 29/CD ./.
| 2 Mr./NNP Vinken/NNP is/VBZ chairman/NN of/IN Elsevier/NNP .N. /NNP ./, the/DT Dutch/NNP publishing/VBG group/NN ./.
| 3 Rudolph/NNP Agnew/NNP ./, 55/CD years/NNS old/JJ and/CC chairman/NN of/IN Consolidated/NNP Gold/NNP Fields/NNP PLC/NNP ./, was/VBD named/VBN a/DT nonexecutive/JJ director/NN of/IN this/DT British/JJ industrial/JJ conglomerate/NN ./.
| 38,219 It/PRP is/VBZ also/RB pulling/VBG 20/CD people/NNS out/IN of/IN Puerto/NNP Rico/NNP ./, who/WP were/VBD helping/VBG Huricane/NNP Hugo/NNP victims/NNS ./, and/CC sending/VBG them/PRP to/TO San/NNP francisco/NNP instead/RB ./.
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- From the training set, induce a function / algorithm that maps new sentences to their tag sequences
- Treat this problem as a supervised learning problem
- Two types of Constraints
 - "Local": e.g., can is more likely to be a model verb MD rather than a noun NN
 - has bias to be one part of speech over another part of speech
 - "Contextual": e.g., a noun is much more likely than a verb to follow a determiner
 - Sometimes these preferences are in conflict

- The trash can is in the garage
- · Generative models, and the noisy-channel model, for supervised learning
- Supervised Learning Problems
 - We have training examples x^(i), y^(i) for i = 1...m. Each x^(i) is an input, each y^(i) is a label
 - Task is to learn a function f mapping inputs x to labels f(x)
 - x⁽ⁱ⁾ = the dog laughs, y⁽ⁱ⁾ DT NN VB
 - Conditional models:
 - Learn a distribution p(ylx) from training examples
 - will have various parameters
 - For any test input x, define f(x) = arg max_y p(ylx)
- · Generative Models
 - We have training examples x⁽ⁱ⁾, y⁽ⁱ⁾ for i = 1...m. Task is to learn a function f mapping inputs x to labels f(x)
 - Generative models:
 - Learn a distribution p(x,y) from training examples
 - Joint distribution
 - Often we have p(x,y) = p(y)p(x|y)
 - Use bayes rule
 - p(y) prior likelihood
 - p(xly) conditional generative model
 - the probability of generating x given y



- given a joint distribution can derive a conditional distribution
- · Decoding with Generative Models
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 - Often we have p(x,y) = p(y)p(x|y)
 - Output from the model:

$$\underline{f(x)} = \underset{y}{\operatorname{arg max}} p(y|x)$$

$$= \underset{y}{\operatorname{arg max}} \frac{p(y)p(x|y)}{p(x)}$$

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- p(x) does not vary with y
- Hidden Markov Model (HMM) taggers
- Hidden Markov Models
 - have sentence x = x1 x2 x3 ... xn

- We have a tag sequence y = y1 y2 y3 ... yn
- We'll use an HMM to define
 - We'll use an HMM to define $\boxed{p(x_1,x_2,\ldots,x_n,y_1,y_2,\ldots,y_n)}$ for any sentence $x_1\ldots x_n$ and tag sequence $y_1\ldots y_n$ of the same length.
 - ightharpoonup Then the most likely tag sequence for x is

$$\arg\max_{y_1...y_n} p(x_1...x_n, y_1, y_2, ..., y_n)$$

- p() defines a joint distribution over word sequences and tag sequences
- · the output is the tag sequence that maximizes the probability
 - the number of tag sequences grows exponential with n
 - therefore brute force is not going to work
- Trigram Hidden Markov Models (Trigram HMMs)

For any sentence
$$x_1 \dots x_n$$
 where $x_i \in \mathcal{V}$ for $i=1\dots n$, and any tag sequence $y_1 \dots y_{n+1}$ where $y_i \in \mathcal{S}$ for $i=1\dots n$, and $y_{n+1} = |STOP|$ the joint probability of the sentence and tag sequence is
$$p(x_1 \dots x_n, y_1 \dots y_{n+1}) = \prod_{i=1}^{n+1} q(y_i|y_{i-2}, y_{i-1}) \prod_{i=1}^n e(x_i|y_i)$$
 where we have assumed that $x_0 = x_{-1} = *$. Parameters of the model:
$$p(s|u,v) \text{ for any } s \in \mathcal{S} \cup \{STOP\}, \ u,v \in \mathcal{S} \cup \{*\}\} \cup \{*\} \cup \{*\}\} \cup \{*\}$$

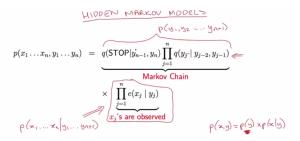
- Parameters
 - Trigram parameters
 - Conditional probability <- emission parameters e(xls)
- An example

If we have
$$n=3$$
, $x_1\dots x_3$ equal to the sentence $\underbrace{the\ dog\ laughs}_{N}$, and $y_1\dots y_4$ equal to the tag sequence $\underbrace{D\ N\ V\ STOP}_{N}$ then
$$p(x_1\dots x_n,y_1\dots y_{n+1})$$

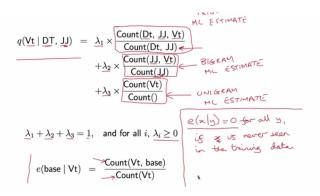
$$=q(\mathbb{p}|*,*)\times q(\mathbb{N}|*,\mathbb{D})\times q(\mathbb{Y}|\mathbb{D},\mathbb{N})\times q(STOP|\mathbb{N},\mathbb{V})$$

$$\times e(the|\mathbb{D})\times e(dog|\mathbb{N})\times e(laughs|\mathbb{V})$$
 \blacktriangleright STOP is a special tag that terminates the sequence
$$\blacktriangleright \text{ We take } y_0=y_{-1}=*, \text{ where } * \text{ is a special "padding" symbol}$$

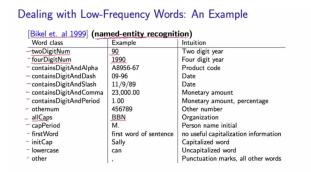
- · Why the Name?
 - · Hidden Markov Models



- Prior probability over tag sequences
- Second order Markov Chain
 - applied Markov to the problem of p(y)
- p(x1...xnly1...yn+1)
 - probability of x conditioned on y
 - each word x is chosen only on the value of y
- choose sequence of tags under this model
- xj's are observed and yj's are unobserved
- Hidden Markov Model (HMM) taggers Parameter estimation
- · Smoothed Estimation



- Dealing with Low-Frequency Words: An Example
 - A common method is as follows:
 - Step1: Split vocabulary into two sets
 - Frequent words = words occurring >= 5 times in training
 - Low Frequency words = all other words
 - Step2: Map low frequency words into small, finite set, depending on prefixes, suffixes etc.



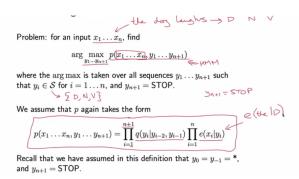
- lower frequency words mapped to pseudo words
 - first word
 - initCap
 - etc...

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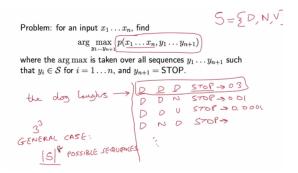
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results/NA ./NA
firstword/NA soared/NA at/NA initCap/SC Co./CC ,/NA easily/NA
lowercase/NA forecasts/NA on/NA initCap/SL Street/CL ,/NA as/NA
their/NA CEO/NA Alan/SP initCap/CP announced/NA first/NA
quarter/NA results/NA ./NA
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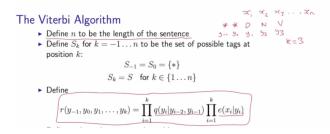
- build a Hidden Markov Model
 - e(firstwordlna)
 - e(initCapISC)
- closing the vocabulary
- mapping the low frequency words to a smaller method maintaining the spelling
- downside is it is heuristic
- **Hidden Markov Model The Viterbi algorithm**
- The Viterbi Algorithm



Brute Force Search is Hopelessly Inefficient



- The Viterbi Algorithm
 - Define n to be the length of the input sentence



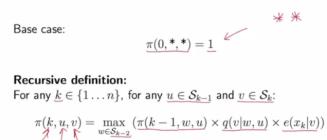
- r takes a sequence of tags as input
 - calculates its probability under the HMM under a truncated expression
- Define a dynamic programming table

$$\pi(k,u,v) = \underbrace{\text{maximum probability of a tag sequence}}_{\text{ending in tags } u,v \text{ at position } k}$$
 that is,
$$\pi(k,u,v) = \max_{\langle y_{-1},y_0,y_1,\dots,y_k\rangle: y_{k-1}=u,y_k=y} r(y_{-1},y_0,y_1\dots y_k)$$

An Example

$$\pi(k,u,v) = \text{maximum probability of a tag sequence} \\ \text{ending in tags } u,v \text{ at position } k \\ \text{\neq } \text{$$

- pi() will be the maximum probability for any sequence that ends at position 6 and 7
- Each sequence will have a probability by multiplying the q terms and e terms
- A Recursive Definition



Justification of the Recursive Definition

For any
$$k \in \{1 \dots n\}$$
, for any $u \in \mathcal{S}_{k-1}$ and $v \in \mathcal{S}_k$:
$$\pi(k,u,v) = \max_{w \in \mathcal{S}_{k-2}} \left(\pi(k-1,w,u) \times q(v|w,u) \times e(x_k|v)\right) \Big| \leq_{\mathbb{S}} = \mathbb{S} = \{0,N,N,P\}$$

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· The Viterbi Algorithm

The Viterbi Algorithm

OUTPUT =
$$x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n$$

Input: a sentence $x_1 \dots x_n$, parameters $\underline{q(s|u,v)}$ and $\underline{e(x|s)}$.

Initialization: Set $\underline{\pi(0,*,*)} = 1$

Definition: $S_{-1} = S_0 = \{*\}$, $S_k = S$ for $k \in \{1 \dots n\}$

Algorithm:

For $k = 1 \dots n$,

For $\underline{u} \in S_{k-1}, \underline{v} \in S_k$,

 $\underline{\pi(k,u,v)} = \max_{\underline{w} \in S_{k-2}} (\pi(k-1,w,u) \times q(v|w,u) \times e(x_k|v))$

FReturn $\max_{\underline{u} \in S_{n-1}, v \in S_n} (\underline{\pi(n,u,v)} \times \underline{q(STOP|u,v)})^{\frac{r}{n}}$

The Viterbi Algorithm with Backpointers

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The Viterbi Algorithm with Backpointers
Input: a sentence \underline{x_1 \dots x_n}, parameters q(s|u,v) and e(x|s).

Initialization: Set \pi(0,*,*)=1

Definition: \underline{\mathcal{S}}_{-1}=\mathcal{S}_0=\{*\}, \mathcal{S}_k=\mathcal{S} for k\in\{1\dots n\}

Algorithm:

For k=1\dots n,

For u\in\mathcal{S}_{k-1}, v\in\mathcal{S}_k,

|\pi(k,u,v)|=\max_{w\in\mathcal{S}_{k-2}}(\pi(k-1,w,u)\times q(v|w,u)\times e(x_k|v))

|bp(k,u,v)|=\arg\max_{w\in\mathcal{S}_{k-2}}(\pi(k-1,w,u)\times q(v|w,u)\times e(x_k|v))

For k=(n-2)\dots 1, y_k=bp(k+2,y_{k+1},y_{k+2})

Feturn the tag sequence y_1\dots y_n
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- use dynamic programming to recover the arg max
- runtime complexity is O(nISI³)
 - linear in the length of the sequence and brute force was exponential in time to the length of the sequence
- Pros and Cons
 - Hidden Markov Model taggers are very simple to train (just need to compile counts from the training corpus

- Perform relatively well
 Main difficulty is modeling

 e(wordltag) can be very difficult if "words" are complex