

INTERVIEW QUESTIONS For TEXT MINING



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Natural Language Processing [NLP]

Introduction

According to industry estimates, only 21% of the available data is present in structured form. Data is being generated as we speak, as we tweet, as we send messages on Whatsapp and in various other activities. Majority of this data exists in the textual form, which is highly unstructured in nature.

Few notorious examples include – tweets / posts on social media, user to user chat conversations, news, blogs and articles, product or services reviews and patient records in the healthcare sector. A few more recent ones includes chatbots and other voice driven bots.

Despite having high dimension data, the information present in it is not directly accessible unless it is processed (read and understood) manually or analyzed by an automated system.

In order to produce significant and actionable insights from text data, it is important to get acquainted with the techniques and principles of Natural Language Processing (NLP).

So, if you plan to create chatbots this year, or you want to use the power of unstructured text, this guide is the right starting point. This guide unearths the concepts of natural language processing, its techniques and implementation. The aim of the article is to teach the concepts of natural language processing and apply it on real data set.

Humans are social animals and language is our primary tool to communicate with the society. But, what if machines could understand our language and then act accordingly? Natural Language Processing (NLP) is the science of teaching machines how to understand the language we humans speak and write.

Natural Language Processing is one of the principal areas of Artificial Intelligence. NLP plays a critical role in many intelligent applications such as automated chat bots, article summarizers, multi-lingual translation and opinion identification from data. Every industry which exploits NLP to make sense of unstructured text data, not just demands accuracy, but also swiftness in obtaining results.

Natural Language Processing is a capacious field, some of the tasks in nlp are – text classification, entity detection, machine translation, question answering, and concept identification.

1. Introduction to Natural Language Processing

NLP is a branch of data science that consists of systematic processes for analyzing, understanding, and deriving information from the text data in a smart and efficient manner. By utilizing NLP and its components, one can organize the massive chunks of text data, perform numerous automated tasks and solve a wide range of problems such as – automatic summarization, machine translation, named entity recognition, relationship extraction, sentiment analysis, speech recognition, and topic segmentation etc. Before moving further, I would like to explain some terms that are used in the article:

- Tokenization – process of converting a text into tokens
- Tokens – words or entities present in the text
- Text object – a sentence or a phrase or a word or an article

2. Text Preprocessing

Since, text is the most unstructured form of all the available data, various types of noise are present in it and the data is not readily analyzable without any pre-processing. The entire process of cleaning and standardization of text, making it noise-free and ready for analysis is known as text preprocessing.

It is predominantly comprised of three steps:

- Noise Removal
- Lexicon Normalization
- Object Standardization

The following image shows the architecture of text preprocessing pipeline.



2.1 Noise Removal

Any piece of text which is not relevant to the context of the data and the end-output can be specified as the noise.

For example – language stop words (commonly used words of a language – is, am, the, of, in etc), URLs or links, social media entities (mentions, hashtags), punctuations and industry specific words. This step deals with removal of all types of noisy entities present in the text.

A general approach for noise removal is to prepare a dictionary of noisy entities, and iterate the text object by tokens (or by words), eliminating those tokens which are present in the noise dictionary.

Another approach is to use the regular expressions while dealing with special patterns of noise.

2.2 Lexicon Normalization

Another type of textual noise is about the multiple representations exhibited by single word.

For example – “play”, “player”, “played”, “plays” and “playing” are the different variations of the word – “play”, Though they mean different but contextually all are similar. The step converts all the disparities of a word into their normalized form (also known as lemma). Normalization is a pivotal step for feature engineering with text as it converts the high dimensional features (N different features) to the low dimensional space (1 feature), which is an ideal ask for any ML model.

The most common lexicon normalization practices are:

- **Stemming:** Stemming is a rudimentary rule-based process of stripping the suffixes (“ing”, “ly”, “es”, “s” etc) from a word.
- **Lemmatization:** Lemmatization, on the other hand, is an organized & step by step procedure of obtaining the root form of the word, it makes use of vocabulary (dictionary importance of words) and morphological analysis (word structure and grammar relations).

2.3 Object Standardization

Text data often contains words or phrases which are not present in any standard lexical dictionaries. These pieces are not recognized by search engines and models.

Some of the examples are – acronyms, hashtags with attached words, and colloquial slangs. With the help of regular expressions and manually prepared data dictionaries, this type of noise can be fixed

Apart from three steps discussed so far, other types of text preprocessing includes encoding-decoding noise, grammar checker, and spelling correction etc.

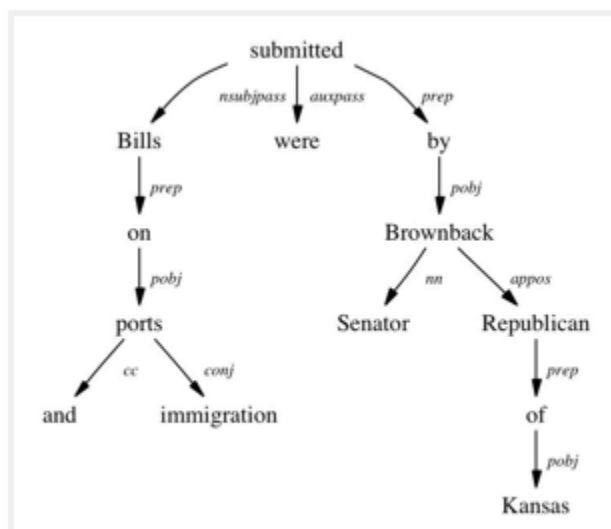
3. Text to Features (Feature Engineering on text data)

To analyse a preprocessed data, it needs to be converted into features. Depending upon the usage, text features can be constructed using assorted techniques – Syntactical Parsing, Entities / N-grams / word-based features, Statistical features, and word embeddings. Read on to understand these techniques in detail.

3.1 Syntactic Parsing

Syntactical parsing involves the analysis of words in the sentence for grammar and their arrangement in a manner that shows the relationships among the words. Dependency Grammar and Part of Speech tags are the important attributes of text syntactics.

Dependency Trees – Sentences are composed of some words sewed together. The relationship among the words in a sentence is determined by the basic dependency grammar. Dependency grammar is a class of syntactic text analysis that deals with (labeled) asymmetrical binary relations between two lexical items (words). Every relation can be represented in the form of a triplet (relation, governor, dependent). For example: consider the sentence – “*Bills on ports and immigration were submitted by Senator Brownback, Republican of Kansas.*” The relationship among the words can be observed in the form of a tree representation as shown:



The tree shows that “submitted” is the root word of this sentence, and is linked by two sub-trees (subject and object subtrees). Each subtree is itself a dependency tree with relations such as – (“Bills” <-> “ports” <by> “proposition” relation), (“ports” <-> “immigration” <by> “conjugation” relation).

This type of tree, when parsed recursively in top-down manner gives grammar relation triplets as output which can be used as features for many nlp problems like entity wise sentiment analysis, actor & entity identification, and text classification.

Part of speech tagging – Apart from the grammar relations, every word in a sentence is also associated with a part of speech (pos) tag (nouns, verbs, adjectives, adverbs etc). The pos tags defines the usage and function of a word in the sentence.

Part of Speech tagging is used for many important purposes in NLP:

A. Word sense disambiguation: Some language words have multiple meanings according to their usage. For example, in the two sentences below:

I. "Please book my flight for Delhi"

II. "I am going to read this book in the flight"

"Book" is used with different context, however the part of speech tag for both of the cases are different. In sentence I, the word "book" is used as **verb**, while in II it is used as **noun**. (Lesk Algorithm is also used for similar purposes)

B. Improving word-based features: A learning model could learn different contexts of a word when used word as the features, however if the part of speech tag is linked with them, the context is preserved, thus making strong features. For example:

Sentence - "book my flight, I will read this book"

Tokens – ("book", 2), ("my", 1), ("flight", 1), ("I", 1), ("will", 1), ("read", 1), ("this", 1)

Tokens with POS – ("book_VB", 1), ("my_PRP\$", 1), ("flight_NN", 1), ("I_PRP", 1), ("will_MD", 1), ("read_VB", 1), ("this_DT", 1), ("book_NN", 1)

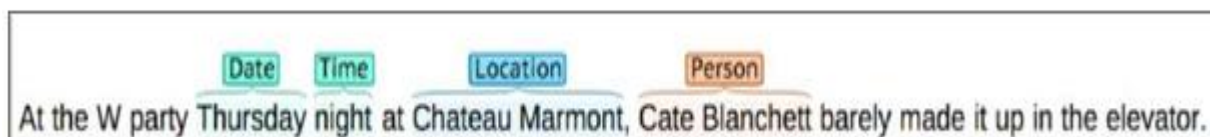
C. Normalization and Lemmatization: POS tags are the basis of lemmatization process for converting a word to its base form (lemma).

D. Efficient stop word removal: POS tags are also useful in efficient removal of stopwords.

For example, there are some tags which always define the low frequency / less important words of a language. For example: (**IN** – "within", "upon", "except"), (**CD** – "one", "two", "hundred"), (**MD** – "may", "must" etc)

3.2 Entity Extraction (Entities as features)

Entities are defined as the most important chunks of a sentence – noun phrases, verb phrases or both. Entity Detection algorithms are generally ensemble models of rule based parsing, dictionary lookups, pos tagging and dependency parsing. The applicability of entity detection can be seen in the automated chat bots, content analyzers and consumer insights.



Topic Modelling & Named Entity Recognition are the two key entity detection methods in NLP.

A. Named Entity Recognition (NER)

The process of detecting the named entities such as person names, location names, company names etc from the text is called as NER. For example:

Sentence – Sergey Brin, the manager of Google Inc. is walking in the streets of New York.

Named Entities – (“person” : “Sergey Brin”), (“org” : “Google Inc.”), (“location” : “New York”)

A typical NER model consists of three blocks:

Noun phrase identification: This step deals with extracting all the noun phrases from a text using dependency parsing and part of speech tagging.

Phrase classification: This is the classification step in which all the extracted noun phrases are classified into respective categories (locations, names etc). Google Maps API provides a good path to disambiguate locations, Then, the open databases from dbpedia, wikipedia can be used to identify person names or company names. Apart from this, one can curate the lookup tables and dictionaries by combining information from different sources.

Entity disambiguation: Sometimes it is possible that entities are misclassified, hence creating a validation layer on top of the results is useful. Use of knowledge graphs can be exploited for this purposes. The popular knowledge graphs are – Google Knowledge Graph, IBM Watson and Wikipedia.

B. Topic Modeling

Topic modeling is a process of automatically identifying the topics present in a text corpus, it derives the hidden patterns among the words in the corpus in an unsupervised manner. Topics are defined as “a repeating pattern of co-occurring terms in a corpus”. A good topic model results in – “health”, “doctor”, “patient”, “hospital” for a topic – Healthcare, and “farm”, “crops”, “wheat” for a topic – “Farming”.

Latent Dirichlet Allocation (LDA) is the most popular topic modelling technique

C. N-Grams as Features

A combination of N words together are called N-Grams. N grams ($N > 1$) are generally more informative as compared to words (Unigrams) as features. Also, bigrams ($N = 2$) are considered as the most important features of all the others.

3.3 Statistical Features

Text data can also be quantified directly into numbers using several techniques described in this section:

A. Term Frequency – Inverse Document Frequency (TF – IDF)

TF-IDF is a weighted model commonly used for information retrieval problems. It aims to convert the text documents into vector models on the basis of occurrence of words in the documents without taking considering the exact ordering. For Example – let say there is a dataset of N text documents, In any document “D”, TF and IDF will be defined as –

Term Frequency (TF) – TF for a term “t” is defined as the count of a term “t” in a document “D”

Inverse Document Frequency (IDF) – IDF for a term is defined as logarithm of ratio of total documents available in the corpus and number of documents containing the term T.

TF.IDF – TF IDF formula gives the relative importance of a term in a corpus (list of documents), given by the following formula below. Following is the code using python's scikit learn package to convert a text into tf idf vectors:

$$w_{i,j} = tf_{i,j} \times \log \left(\frac{N}{df_i} \right)$$

$tf_{i,j}$ = number of occurrences of i in j
 df_i = number of documents containing i
 N = total number of documents

The model creates a vocabulary dictionary and assigns an index to each word. Each row in the output contains a tuple (i,j) and a tf-idf value of word at index j in document i.

B. Count / Density / Readability Features

Count or Density based features can also be used in models and analysis. These features might seem trivial but shows a great impact in learning models. Some of the features are: Word Count, Sentence Count, Punctuation Counts and Industry specific word counts. Other types of measures include readability measures such as syllable counts, smog index and flesch reading ease.

3.4 Word Embedding (text vectors)

Word embedding is the modern way of representing words as vectors. The aim of word embedding is to redefine the high dimensional word features into low dimensional feature vectors by preserving the contextual similarity in the corpus. They are widely used in deep learning models such as Convolutional Neural Networks and Recurrent Neural Networks.

[Word2Vec](#) and [GloVe](#) are the two popular models to create word embedding of a text. These models takes a text corpus as input and produces the word vectors as output.

Word2Vec model is composed of preprocessing module, a shallow neural network model called Continuous Bag of Words and another shallow neural network model called skip-gram. These models are widely used for all other nlp problems. It first constructs a vocabulary from the training corpus and then learns word embedding representations.

They can be used as feature vectors for ML model, used to measure text similarity using cosine similarity techniques, words clustering and text classification techniques.

4. Important tasks of NLP

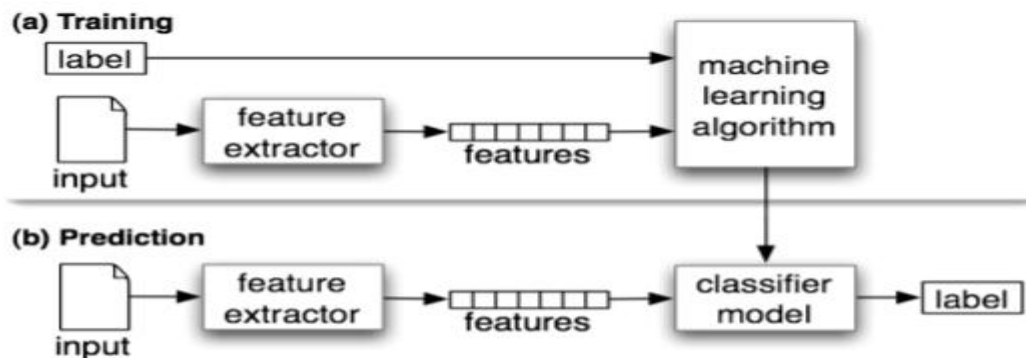
This section talks about different use cases and problems in the field of natural language processing.

4.1 Text Classification

Text classification is one of the classical problem of NLP. Notorious examples include – Email Spam Identification, topic classification of news, sentiment classification and organization of web pages by search engines.

Text classification, in common words is defined as a technique to systematically classify a text object (document or sentence) in one of the fixed category. It is really helpful when the amount of data is too large, especially for organizing, information filtering, and storage purposes.

A typical natural language classifier consists of two parts: (a) Training (b) Prediction as shown in image below. Firstly the text input is processed and features are created. The machine learning models then learn these features and is used for predicting against the new text.



The text classification model are heavily dependent upon the quality and quantity of features, while applying any machine learning model it is always a good practice to include more and more training data. Here are some tips that I wrote about improving the text classification accuracy in one of my previous article.

4.2 Text Matching / Similarity

One of the important areas of NLP is the matching of text objects to find similarities. Important applications of text matching includes automatic spelling correction, data de-duplication and genome analysis etc.

A number of text matching techniques are available depending upon the requirement. This section describes the important techniques in detail.

A. Levenshtein Distance – The Levenshtein distance between two strings is defined as the minimum number of edits needed to transform one string into the other, with the allowable edit operations being insertion, deletion, or substitution of a single character. Following is the implementation for efficient memory computations.

B. Phonetic Matching – A Phonetic matching algorithm takes a keyword as input (person's name, location name etc) and produces a character string that identifies a set of words that are (roughly) phonetically similar. It is very useful for searching large text corpuses, correcting spelling errors and matching relevant names. Soundex and Metaphone are two main phonetic algorithms used for this purpose. Python's module Fuzzy is used to compute soundex strings for different words

C. Flexible String Matching – A complete text matching system includes different algorithms pipelined together to compute variety of text variations. Regular expressions are really helpful for this purposes as well. Another common techniques include – exact string matching, lemmatized matching, and compact matching (takes care of spaces, punctuation's, slangs etc).

D. Cosine Similarity – When the text is represented as vector notation, a general cosine similarity can also be applied in order to measure vectorized similarity. Following code converts a text to vectors (using term frequency) and applies cosine similarity to provide closeness among two text.

4.3 Coreference Resolution

Coreference Resolution is a process of finding relational links among the words (or phrases) within the sentences. Consider an example sentence: "Donald went to John's office to see the new table. He looked at it for an hour."

Humans can quickly figure out that "he" denotes Donald (and not John), and that "it" denotes the table (and not John's office). Coreference Resolution is the component of NLP that does this job automatically. It is used in document summarization, question answering, and information extraction.

4.4 Other NLP problems / tasks

- **Text Summarization** – Given a text article or paragraph, summarize it automatically to produce most important and relevant sentences in order.
- **Machine Translation** – Automatically translate text from one human language to another by taking care of grammar, semantics and information about the real world, etc.
- **Natural Language Generation and Understanding** – Convert information from computer databases or semantic intents into readable human language is called language generation. Converting chunks of text into more logical structures that are easier for computer programs to manipulate is called language understanding.
- **Optical Character Recognition** – Given an image representing printed text, determine the corresponding text.
- **Document to Information** – This involves parsing of textual data present in documents (websites, files, pdfs and images) to analyzable and clean format.

5. Important Libraries for NLP (python)

- Scikit-learn: Machine learning in Python
- Natural Language Toolkit (NLTK): The complete toolkit for all NLP techniques.
- Pattern – A web mining module for the tools for NLP and machine learning.
- TextBlob – Easy to use nlp tools API, built on top of NLTK and Pattern.
- spaCy – Industrial strength NLP with Python and Cython.
- Gensim – Topic Modelling for Humans
- Stanford Core NLP – NLP services and packages by Stanford NLP Group.

Let's compare Spacy with other famous tools to implement nlp in python – CoreNLP and NLTK.

Feature Availability

Feature	Spacy	NLTK	Core NLP
Easy installation	Y	Y	Y
Python API	Y	Y	N
Multi Language support	N	Y	Y
Tokenization	Y	Y	Y
Part-of-speech tagging	Y	Y	Y
Sentence segmentation	Y	Y	Y
Dependency parsing	Y	N	Y
Entity Recognition	Y	Y	Y
Integrated word vectors	Y	N	N
Sentiment analysis	Y	Y	Y
Coreference resolution	N	N	Y

Speed: Key Functionalities – Tokenizer, Tagging, Parsing

Package	Tokenizer	Tagging	Parsing
spaCy	0.2ms	1ms	19ms
CoreNLP	2ms	10ms	49ms
NLTK	4ms	443ms	–

Accuracy: Entity Extraction

Package	Precision	Recall	F-Score
spaCy	0.72	0.65	0.69
CoreNLP	0.79	0.73	0.76
NLTK	0.51	0.65	0.58

Objective Questions:

Q. Which of the following techniques can be used for the purpose of keyword normalization, the process of converting a keyword into its base form?

Ans:

1. Lemmatization
2. Levenshtein
3. Stemming
4. Soundex

- A) 1 and 2
B) 2 and 4
C) 1 and 3
D) 1, 2 and 3
E) 2, 3 and 4
F) 1, 2, 3 and 4

Solution: (C)

Q. N-grams are defined as the combination of N keywords together. How many bi-grams can be generated from given sentence?

Ans:

“Analytics Labs is a great source to learn data science”

- A) 7
B) 8
C) 9
D) 10
E) 11

Solution: (C)

Q. How many trigrams phrases can be generated from the following sentence, after performing following text cleaning steps?

Ans:

- Stopword Removal
- Replacing punctuations by a single space

“#Analytics-Labs is a great source to learn @data_science.”

- A) 3
B) 4
C) 5
D) 6
E) 7

Solution: (C)

Q. Which of the following regular expression can be used to identify date(s) present in the text object:
"The next meetup on data science will be held on 2017-09-21, previously it happened on 31/03, 2016"

Ans:

- A) $\backslash d\{4\}-\backslash d\{2\}-\backslash d\{2\}$
- B) $(19|20)\backslash d\{2\}-(0[1-9]|1[0-2])-[0-2][1-9]$ C) $(19|20)\backslash d\{2\}-(0[1-9]|1[0-2])-([0-2][1-9]|3[0-1])$
- D) None of the above

Solution: (D)

Question Context 5-6:

You have collected a data of about 10,000 rows of tweet text and no other information. You want to create a tweet classification model that categorizes each of the tweets in three buckets – positive, negative and neutral.

Q. Which of the following models can perform tweet classification with regards to context mentioned above?

Ans:

- A) Naive Bayes
- B) SVM
- C) None of the above

Solution: (C)

Q. You have created a document term matrix of the data, treating every tweet as one document. Which of the following is correct, in regards to document term matrix?

Ans:

1. Removal of stopwords from the data will affect the dimensionality of data
2. Normalization of words in the data will reduce the dimensionality of data
3. Converting all the words in lowercase will not affect the dimensionality of the data

- A) Only 1
- B) Only 2
- C) Only 3
- D) 1 and 2
- E) 2 and 3
- F) 1, 2 and 3

Solution: (D)

Q. Which of the following features can be used for accuracy improvement of a classification model?

Ans:

- A) Frequency count of terms
- B) Vector Notation of sentence
- C) Part of Speech Tag

- D) Dependency Grammar
- E) All of these

Solution: (E)

All of the techniques can be used for the purpose of engineering features in a model.

Q. What percentage of the total statements are correct with regards to Topic Modeling?

Ans:

1. It is a supervised learning technique
2. LDA (Linear Discriminant Analysis) can be used to perform topic modeling
3. Selection of number of topics in a model does not depend on the size of data
4. Number of topic terms are directly proportional to size of the data

- A) 0
- B) 25
- C) 50
- D) 75
- E) 100

Solution: (A)

LDA is unsupervised learning model, LDA is latent Dirichlet allocation, not Linear discriminant analysis. Selection of the number of topics is directly proportional to the size of the data, while number of topic terms is not directly proportional to the size of the data. Hence none of the statements are correct.

Q. In Latent Dirichlet Allocation model for text classification purposes, what does alpha and beta hyperparameter represent-

Ans:

- A) Alpha: number of topics within documents, beta: number of terms within topics False
- B) Alpha: density of terms generated within topics, beta: density of topics generated within terms False
- C) Alpha: number of topics within documents, beta: number of terms within topics False
- D) Alpha: density of topics generated within documents, beta: density of terms generated within topics True

Solution: (D)

Option D is correct

Q. In a corpus of N documents, one document is randomly picked. The document contains a total of T terms and the term "data" appears K times.

What is the correct value for the product of TF (term frequency) and IDF (inverse-document-frequency), if the term "data" appears in approximately one-third of the total documents?

- A) $KT * \log(3)$
- B) $K * \log(3) / T$
- C) $T * \log(3) / K$
- D) $\log(3) / KT$

Solution: (B)

formula for TF is K/T

formula for IDF is $\log(\text{total docs} / \text{no of docs containing "data"})$

$= \log(1 / (1/3))$

$= \log(3)$

Hence correct choice is $K \log(3)/T$

Question Context 12 to 14:

Refer the following document term matrix

Term	Document						
	<i>d1</i>	<i>d2</i>	<i>d3</i>	<i>d4</i>	<i>d5</i>	<i>d6</i>	<i>d7</i>
<i>t1</i>	2	1	0	0	0	0	0
<i>t2</i>	1	2	0	0	0	0	1
<i>t3</i>	3	1	0	0	1	1	0
<i>t4</i>	0	0	1	2	1	1	1
<i>t5</i>	0	0	1	1	1	1	1
<i>t6</i>	0	0	1	1	0	0	0

Q. Which of the following documents contains the same number of terms and the number of terms in the one of the document is not equal to least number of terms in any document in the entire corpus.

Ans:

- A) d1 and d4
- B) d6 and d7
- C) d2 and d4
- D) d5 and d6

Solution: (C)

Both of the documents d2 and d4 contains 4 terms and does not contain the least number of terms which is 3.

Q. Which are the most common and the rarest term of the corpus?

Ans:

- A) t4, t6
- B) t3, t5
- C) t5, t1
- D) t5, t6

Solution: (A)

T5 is most common terms across 5 out of 7 documents, T6 is rare term only appears in d3 and d4

Q. What is the term frequency of a term which is used a maximum number of times in that document?

- A) t6 – 2/5
- B) t3 – 3/6
- C) t4 – 2/6
- D) t1 – 2/6

Solution: (B)

t3 is used max times in entire corpus = 3, tf for t3 is 3/6

Q. Which of the following technique is not a part of flexible text matching?

Ans:

- A) Soundex
- B) Metaphone
- C) Edit Distance
- D) Keyword Hashing

Solution: (D)

Except Keyword Hashing all other are the techniques used in flexible string matching

Q. True or False: Word2Vec model is a machine learning model used to create vector notations of text objects. Word2vec contains multiple deep neural networks

Ans:

- A) TRUE
- B) FALSE

Solution: (B)

Word2vec also contains preprocessing model which is not a deep neural network

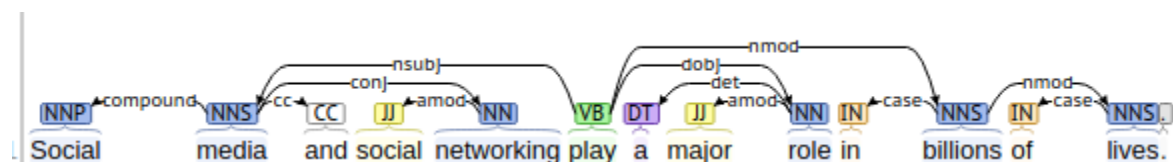
Q. Which of the following statement is (are) true for Word2Vec model?

Ans: The architecture of word2vec consists of only two layers – continuous bag of words and skip-gram model

- B) Continuous bag of word is a shallow neural network model
- C) Skip-gram is a deep neural network model
- D) Both CBOW and Skip-gram are deep neural network models
- E) All of the above

Solution: (C)

Word2vec contains the Continuous bag of words and skip-gram models, which are deep neural nets.

Q. With respect to this context-free dependency graphs, how many sub-trees exists in the sentence?

- A) 3
- B) 4
- C) 5
- D) 6

Solution: (D)

Subtrees in the dependency graph can be viewed as nodes having an outward link, for example:

Media, networking, play, role, billions, and lives are the roots of subtrees

Q. What is the right order for a text classification model components?

Ans:

1. Text cleaning
2. Text annotation
3. Gradient descent
4. Model tuning
5. Text to predictors

- A) 12345
B) 13425
C) 12534
D) 13452

Solution: (C)

A right text classification model contains – cleaning of text to remove noise, annotation to create more features, converting text-based features into predictors, learning a model using gradient descent and finally tuning a model.

Q. Polysemy is defined as the coexistence of multiple meanings for a word or phrase in a text object. Which of the following models is likely the best choice to correct this problem?

Ans:

- A) Random Forest Classifier
B) Convolutional Neural Networks
C) Gradient Boosting
D) All of these

Solution: (B)

CNNs are popular choice for text classification problems because they take into consideration left and right contexts of the words as features which can solve the problem of polysemy

Q. Which of the following models can be used for the purpose of document similarity?

Ans:

- A) Training a word 2 vector model on the corpus that learns context present in the document
B) Training a bag of words model that learns occurrence of words in the document
C) Creating a document-term matrix and using cosine similarity for each document
D) All of the above

Solution: (D)

word2vec model can be used for measuring document similarity based on context. Bag of words and document term matrix can be used for measuring similarity based on terms.

Q. What are the possible features of a text corpus?

Ans:

1. Count of word in a document
2. Boolean feature – presence of word in a document

3. Vector notation of word
4. Part of Speech Tag
5. Basic Dependency Grammar
6. Entire document as a feature

- A) 1
 B) 12
 C) 123
 D) 1234
 E) 12345
 F) 123456

Solution: (E)

Except for entire document as the feature, rest all can be used as features of text classification learning model.

Q. While creating a machine learning model on text data, you created a document term matrix of the input data of 100K documents. Which of the following remedies can be used to reduce the dimensions of data –

1. Latent Dirichlet Allocation
2. Latent Semantic Indexing
3. Keyword Normalization

- A) only 1
 B) 2, 3
 C) 1, 3
 D) 1, 2, 3

Solution: (D)

All of the techniques can be used to reduce the dimensions of the data.

Q. Google Search's feature – "Did you mean", is a mixture of different techniques. Which of the following techniques are likely to be ingredients?

Ans:

1. Collaborative Filtering model to detect similar user behaviors (queries)
2. Model that checks for Levenshtein distance among the dictionary terms
3. Translation of sentences into multiple languages

- A) 1
 B) 2
 C) 1, 2
 D) 1, 2, 3

Solution: (C)

Collaborative filtering can be used to check what are the patterns used by people, Levenshtein is used to measure the distance among dictionary terms.

Q. While working with text data obtained from news sentences, which are structured in nature, which of the grammar-based text parsing techniques can be used for noun phrase detection, verb phrase detection, subject detection and object detection.

Ans:

- A) Part of speech tagging
- B) Dependency Parsing and Constituency Parsing
- C) Skip Gram and N-Gram extraction
- D) Continuous Bag of Words

Solution: (B)

Dependency and constituent parsing extract these relations from the text

Q. Social Media platforms are the most intuitive form of text data. You are given a corpus of complete social media data of tweets. How can you create a model that suggests the hashtags?

Ans:

- A) Perform Topic Models to obtain most significant words of the corpus
- B) Train a Bag of Ngrams model to capture top n-grams – words and their combinations
- C) Train a word2vector model to learn repeating contexts in the sentences
- D) All of these

Solution: (D)

All of the techniques can be used to extract most significant terms of a corpus.

Q. While working with context extraction from a text data, you encountered two different sentences: The tank is full of soldiers. The tank is full of nitrogen. Which of the following measures can be used to remove the problem of word sense disambiguation in the sentences?

Ans:

- A) Compare the dictionary definition of an ambiguous word with the terms contained in its neighborhood
- B) Co-reference resolution in which one resolves the meaning of ambiguous word with the proper noun present in the previous sentence
- C) Use dependency parsing of sentence to understand the meanings

Solution: (A)

Option 1 is called Lesk algorithm, used for word sense disambiguation, rest others cannot be used.

Q. Collaborative Filtering and Content Based Models are the two popular recommendation engines, what role does NLP play in building such algorithms.

- A) Feature Extraction from text
- B) Measuring Feature Similarity
- C) Engineering Features for vector space learning model
- D) All of these

Solution: (D)

NLP can be used anywhere where text data is involved – feature extraction, measuring feature similarity, create vector features of the text.

Q. Retrieval based models and Generative models are the two popular techniques used for building chatbots. Which of the following is an example of retrieval model and generative model respectively.

Ans:

- A) Dictionary based learning and Word 2 vector model
- B) Rule-based learning and Sequence to Sequence model
- C) Word 2 vector and Sentence to Vector model
- D) Recurrent neural network and convolutional neural network

Solution: (B)

choice 2 best explains examples of retrieval based models and generative models

Q. What is the major difference between CRF (Conditional Random Field) and HMM (Hidden Markov Model)?

Ans:

- A) CRF is Generative whereas HMM is Discriminative model
- B) CRF is Discriminative whereas HMM is Generative model
- C) Both CRF and HMM are Generative model
- D) Both CRF and HMM are Discriminative model

Solution: (B)

Option B is correct

Q. Natural Language Processing (NLP) is field of

- a) Computer Science
- b) Artificial Intelligence
- c) Linguistics
- d) All of the mentioned

Solution: d

Q. NLP is concerned with the interactions between computers and human (natural) languages.

- a) True
- b) False

View Answer

Solution: a

Explanation: NLP has its focus on understanding the human spoken/written language and convert that interpretation into machine understandable language.

Q. One of the main challenge/s of NLP is _____

- a) Handling Ambiguity of Sentences
- b) Handling Tokenization
- c) Handling POS-Tagging
- d) All of the mentioned

Solution: a

Explanation: There are enormous ambiguity exists when processing natural language.

Q. Modern NLP algorithms are based on machine learning, especially statistical machine learning.

- a) True
- b) False

Solution: a

Q. Choose from the following areas where NLP can be useful.

- a) Automatic Text Summarization
- b) Automatic Question-Answering Systems
- c) Information Retrieval
- d) All of the mentioned

Solution: d

Q. The major tasks of NLP includes

- a) Automatic Summarization
- b) Discourse Analysis
- c) Machine Translation
- d) All of the mentioned

Solution: d

Explanation: There is even bigger list of tasks of NLP.

Q. Coreference Resolution is

- a) Anaphora Resolution
- b) Given a sentence or larger chunk of text, determine which words ("mentions") refer to the same objects ("entities")
- c) All of the mentioned
- d) None of the mentioned

Solution: b

Explanation: Anaphora resolution is a specific type of coreference resolution.

Q. Machine Translation

- a) Converts one human language to another
- b) Converts human language to machine language
- c) Converts any human language to English
- d) Converts Machine language to human language

Solution: a

Explanation: The best known example of machine translation is Google translator.

Q. The more general task of coreference resolution also includes identifying so-called "bridging relationships" involving referring expressions.

- a) True
- b) False

Solution: a

Explanation: Refer the definition of Coreference Resolution.

Q. Morphological Segmentation

- a) Does Discourse Analysis
- b) Separate words into individual morphemes and identify the class of the morphemes
- c) Is an extension of propositional logic
- d) None of the mentioned

Solution: b

Q. Given a stream of text, Named Entity Recognition determines which pronoun maps to which noun.

a) False

b) True

Solution: a

Explanation: Given a stream of text, Named Entity Recognition determines which items in the text maps to proper names.

Q. Natural Language generation is the main task of Natural language processing.

a) True

b) False

View Answer

Solution: a

Explanation: Natural Language Generation is to Convert information from computer databases into readable human language.

Q. OCR (Optical Character Recognition) uses NLP.

a) True

b) False

View Answer

Solution: a

Explanation: Given an image representing printed text, determines the corresponding text.

Q. Parts-of-Speech tagging determines

a) part-of-speech for each word dynamically as per meaning of the sentence

b) part-of-speech for each word dynamically as per sentence structure

c) all part-of-speech for a specific word given as input

d) all of the mentioned

Solution: d

Explanation: A Bayesian network provides a complete description of the domain.

Q. Parsing determines Parse Trees (Grammatical Analysis) for a given sentence.

a) True

b) False

Solution: a

Explanation: Determine the parse tree (grammatical analysis) of a given sentence. The grammar for natural languages is ambiguous and typical sentences have multiple possible analyses. In fact, perhaps surprisingly, for a typical sentence there may be thousands of potential parses (most of which will seem completely nonsensical to a human).

Q. IR (information Retrieval) and IE (Information Extraction) are the two same thing.

a) True

b) False

Solution: b

Explanation: Information retrieval (IR)

This is concerned with storing, searching and retrieving information. It is a separate field within

computer science (closer to databases), but IR relies on some NLP methods (for example, stemming). Some current research and applications seek to bridge the gap between IR and NLP.

Information extraction (IE)

This is concerned in general with the extraction of semantic information from text. This covers tasks such as named entity recognition, Coreference resolution, relationship extraction, etc.

Q. Many words have more than one meaning; we have to select the meaning which makes the most sense in context. This can be resolved by

- a) Fuzzy Logic
- b) Word Sense Disambiguation
- c) Shallow Semantic Analysis
- d) All of the mentioned

Solution: b

Explanation: Shallow Semantic Analysis doesn't cover word sense disambiguation.

Q. Given a sound clip of a person or people speaking, determine the textual representation of the speech.

- a) Text-to-speech
- b) Speech-to-text
- c) All of the mentioned
- d) None of the mentioned

Solution: b

Explanation: NLP is required to linguistic analysis.

Q. Speech Segmentation is a subtask of Speech Recognition.

- a) True
- b) False

Solution: a

Explanation: None.

Q. In linguistic morphology, _____ is the process for reducing inflected words to their root form.

- a) Rooting
- b) Stemming
- c) Text-Proofing
- d) Both Rooting & Stemming

Solution: b

Explanation: None.