

Introduction to NLP

Training for TrueVoice

Goal of Natural Language Processing

Make computers be able to *Understand*
and/or *Generate* “Natural Language”
in order to perform useful tasks

Sample NLP applications

- Conversational System
- Spell Checking / Essay authoring
- Semantic Search / Q&A
- Information Extraction
- Social Listening
- Sentiment Analysis / Polarity Classification
- Machine Translation

Natural Language

Natural Languages / Human Languages

Thai, English, Chinese, etc.
Spoken / Written
Formal / Informal
Sign Language

Others Languages

Programming Language
Animal Communication

Why is NLP hard?

- Ambiguity
- Knowledge bottleneck (Real-world / Cultural / Emotional Context)

Why is it even harder for Thai NLP

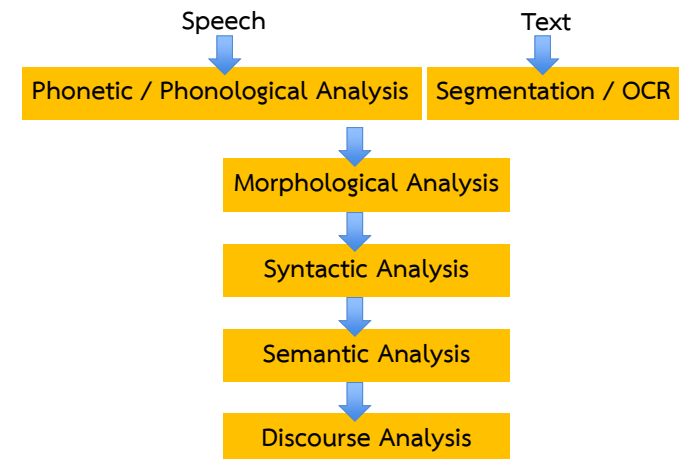
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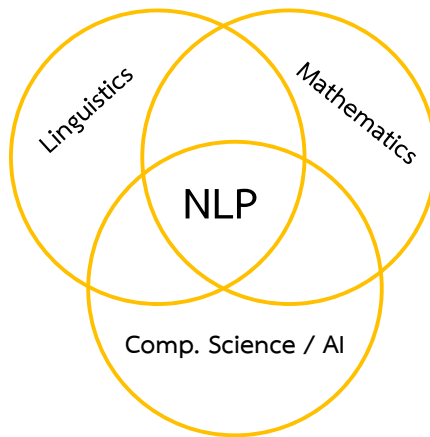
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NLP Levels



NLP Essentials



What will be covered today?

- Linguistics Analysis Basics
- Understanding Artificial Intelligence Concepts
- Review of Necessary Math
- Some Basic NLP Techniques
- A Sample NLP Application

Linguistics Analysis Basics

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Linguistic Analysis

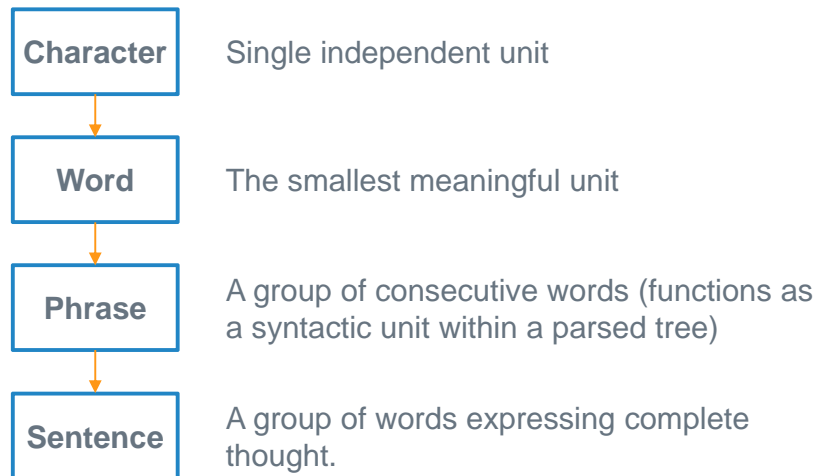
Syntactic Analysis

Vs.

Semantic Analysis

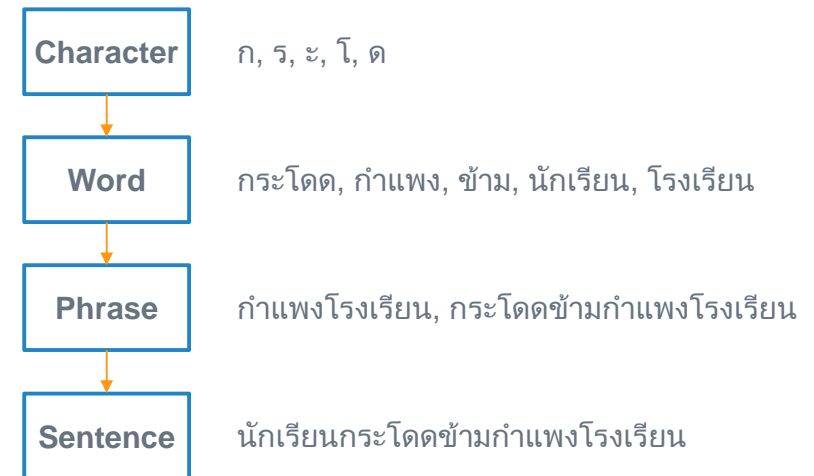
Syntactic Structure

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Morpheme

- The smallest meaningful unit in a language
- May not stand alone

Morpheme	Word
teach	teach, taught, teacher, teaching
食べる	食べる, 食べます, 食べない, 食べたい

<https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Morpheme>

Morpheme-Like Unit

เอกพล	→	เอก- -พล	เอก- -ชัย	→	เอกชัย
ชาญชัย	→	ชาญ- -ชัย	วร- -วงศ์	→	วรวงศ์
เอกวิทย์	→	เอก- -วิทย์			
วรกานต์	→	วร- -กานต์	เอก- -เอก	→	เอกเอก
วสุพล	→	วสุ- -พล			
สมวงศ์	→	สม- -วงศ์			
ธงเอก	→	ธง- -เอก			

Part of speech (POS)

= A category of words which have similar grammatical properties.

รถ เบนซ์ เขียว เลี้ยว เข้า บ้าน ขาว
N N ADJ V V N ADJ

Vehicle Brand Color V V Place Color

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Part_of_speech

POS: Universal POS tag

An attempt to define POS tags which are applicable for all languages.

Adjective	Coordinate Conjunction	Numeral	Subordinating Conjunction
Adposition	Determiner	Particle	Symbol
Adverb	Interjection	Pronoun	Verb
Auxiliary	Noun	Proper Noun	X

POS: Orchid corpus

A Thai part-of-speech corpus collected by NECTEC.

POS tags in the corpus are designed specifically for Thai language.

มี	VSTA	Stative Verb
การ	FIXN	Nominal Prefix
ผลิต	VACT	Active Verb
สินค้า	NCMN	Common Noun
เหล่านี้	DDAC	Definite Determiner, Allow Classifier Between
ขึ้น	XVAE	Post-Verb Auxiliary

Grammars of Sentences

Simple Sentence

ฉันเดินไปตลาด

Compound Sentence

ฉันเดินไปตลาด เพราะต้องการซื้อผักสด

Conjunction

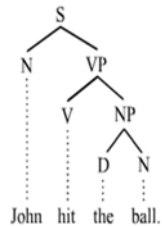
Complex Sentence

ผู้ชายที่เดินสวนกับฉันที่หน้าตลาดสวมเสื้อสีแดง

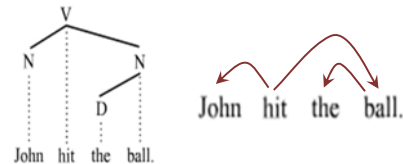
Relative Pronoun

Sentence parsing

Constituency-based parse tree



Dependency-based parse tree



Named entity

A named entity is a real-world object, such as, person, location, organization

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Best2010 corpus provides word-segmented documents with named entity tags.

Word-Sense

One word form might have more than one meaning

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“Word-sense disambiguation”

Wordnet

Large lexical base of English words groups into sets of synsets (synonym-sets), each expressing a distinct concept

Wordnet search:
<http://wordnetweb.princeton.edu/perl/webwn>

WordNet Search - 3.1
- WordNet home page - Glossary - Help

Word to search for: fly Search WordNet

Display Options: ☐ Select option to change!

Key: "S:" = Show Synset (semantic) relations, "W:" = Show Word (lexical) relations
Display options for sense: (gloss) "an example sentence"

Noun

- S: (n) fly (two-winged insects characterized by active flight)
- S: (n) tent-fly, rainfly, fly sheet, fly, tent flap (flap consisting of a piece of canvas that can be drawn back to provide entrance to a tent)
- S: (n) fly, fly front (an opening in a garment that is closed by a zipper or by buttons concealed under a fold of cloth)
- S: (n) fly, fly ball (baseball) a hit that flies up in the air
- S: (n) fly (fisherman's lure consisting of a fishhook decorated to look like an insect)

Verb

- S: (v) fly, wing (travel through the air; be airborne) "Man cannot fly"
- S: (v) fly (move quickly or suddenly) "He flew about the place"
- S: (v) fly, aviate, pilot (operate an airplane) "The pilot flew to Cuba"
- S: (v) fly (transport by aeroplane) "We fly flowers from the Caribbean to North America"
- S: (v) fly (cause to fly or float) "fly a kite"
- S: (v) fly (be dispersed or disseminated) "Rumors and accusations are flying"
- S: (v) fly (change quickly from one emotional state to another) "fly into a rage"
- S: (v) fly, fell, vanish (pass away rapidly) "Time flies like an arrow"; "Time fleeing beneath him"

Semantic relation: Hypernym (IS-A)

Wordnet also provides some semantic relations.

The example shows hypernyms of one synset of "dog"

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dog, domestic dog, Canis familiaris
├─ canine, canid
├─ carnivore
├─ placental, placental mammal, eutherian, eutherian mammal
├─ mammal
├─ vertebrate, craniate
├─ chordate
├─ animal, animate being, beast, brute, creature, fauna
└─ ...
  
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Understanding Artificial Intelligence Concepts

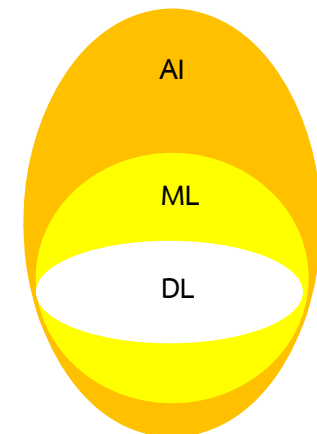
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AI Vs. ML Vs. DL

Artificial Intelligence
Mimic human behavior

Machine Learning
Use statistical methods enabling machine to improve with experience

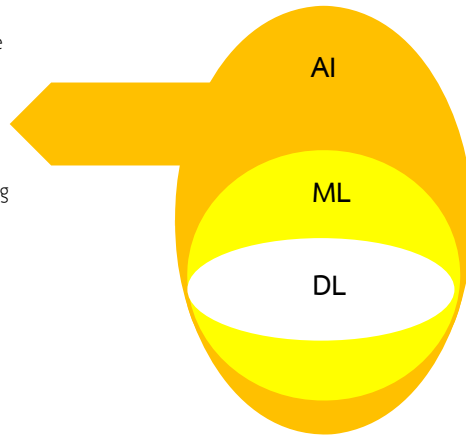
Deep Learning
Use multi-layer Neural Networks



NLP with AI/ML/DL

Some applications are feasible with rule-based algorithm e.g.

- Classify อักษรต่ำ/กลาง/สูง
- Dictionary Lookup
- Regular Expression Matching



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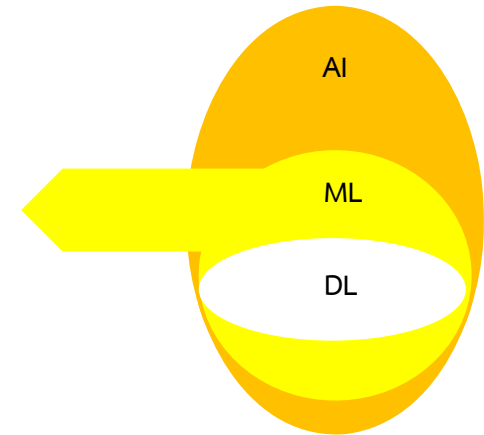
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NLP with AI/ML/DL

Many applications are implemented with Machine Learning technique, e.g.

- POS Tagging
- Sentiment Analysis



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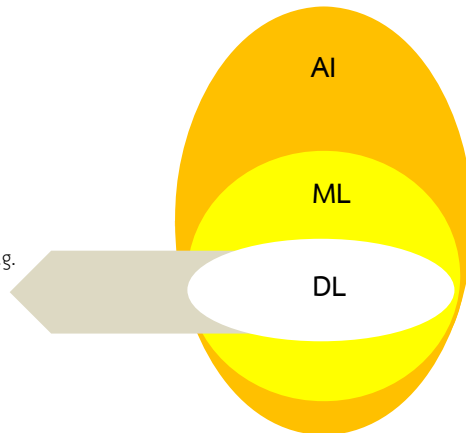
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NLP with AI/ML/DL

Some applications are making breakthrough improvement, e.g.

- Machine Translation
- Open Dialog Conversation



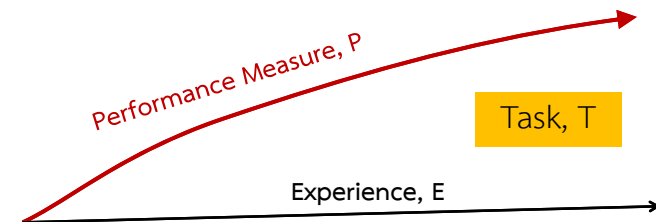
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Machine learning definition

“A computer program is said to learn from **experience E** with respect to some class of **tasks T** and **performance measure P**, if its performance at tasks in T, as measured by P, improves with experience E.”

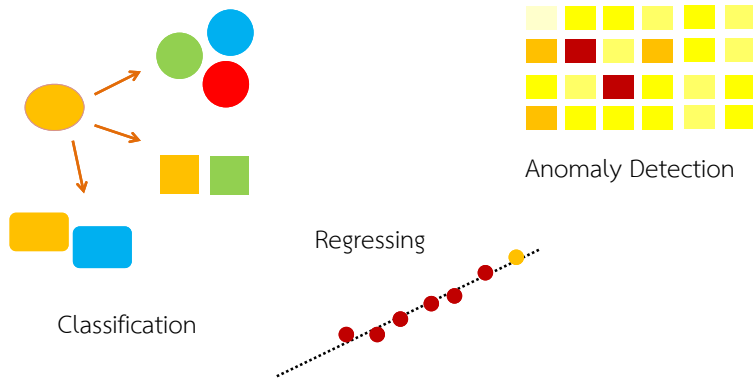


Mitchell, T. M. (1997). Machine Learning. McGraw-Hill, New York.

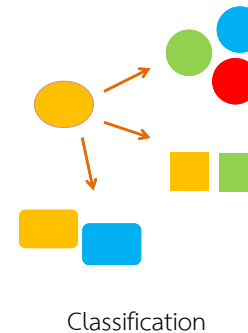
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Common ML Task

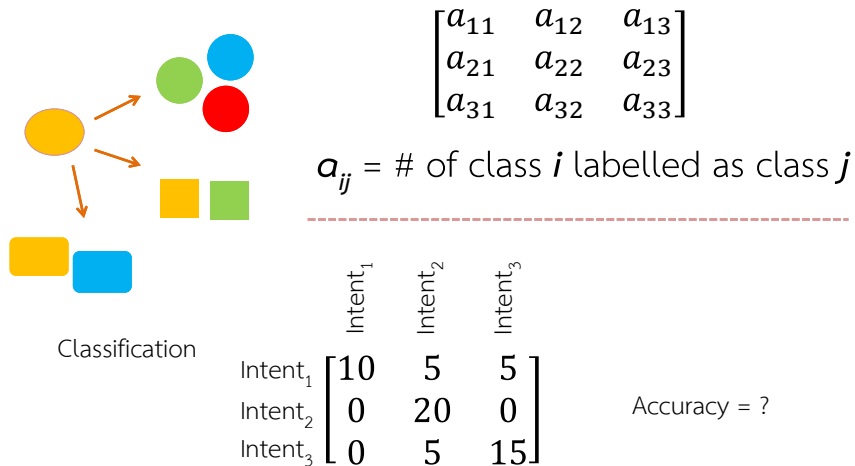


Performance Measure: Accuracy

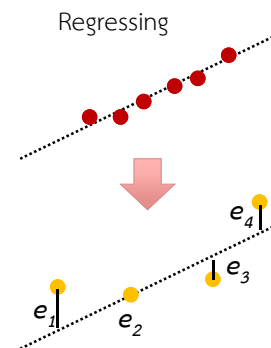


$$\text{Accuracy} = \frac{\# \text{ correctly labelled}}{\# \text{ total labelled}}$$

Performance Measure: Confusion Matrix



Performance Measure: Mean Squared Error

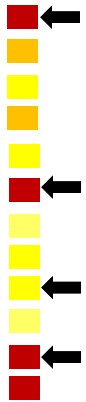


$$\text{MSE} = \frac{\text{Sum Squared Error}}{\# \text{ total test point}}$$

Root Mean Squared Error

Performance Measure: Precision / Recall

Anomaly Detection

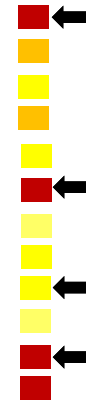


$$\text{Precision} = \frac{\# \text{ correctly detected}}{\# \text{ total detected}}$$

$$\text{Recall} = \frac{\# \text{ correctly detected}}{\# \text{ total anomaly}}$$

Performance Measure: F-measure

Anomaly Detection



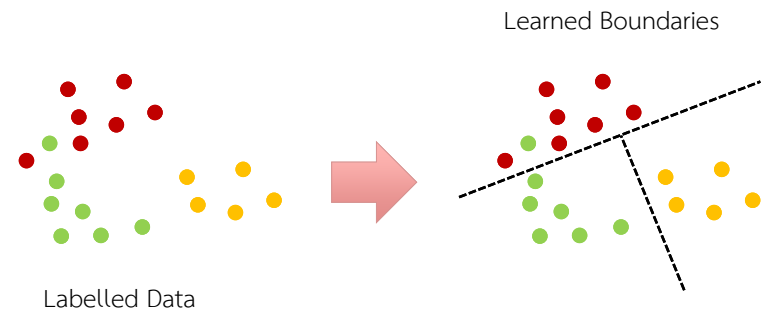
$$F_1 \text{ Score} = 2 \times \frac{\text{precision} \times \text{recall}}{\text{precision} + \text{recall}}$$

Experience, E

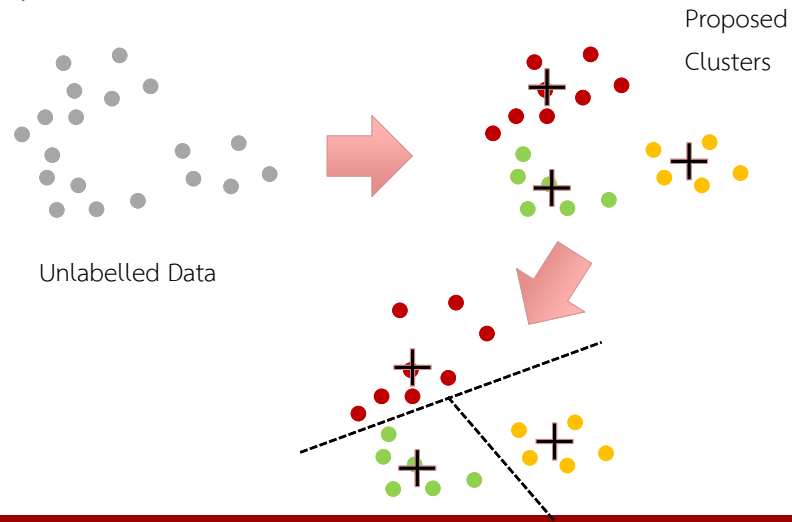
*Experience is the main key to enable **learning**

- Supervised Learning
- Unsupervised Learning
- Reinforcement Learning

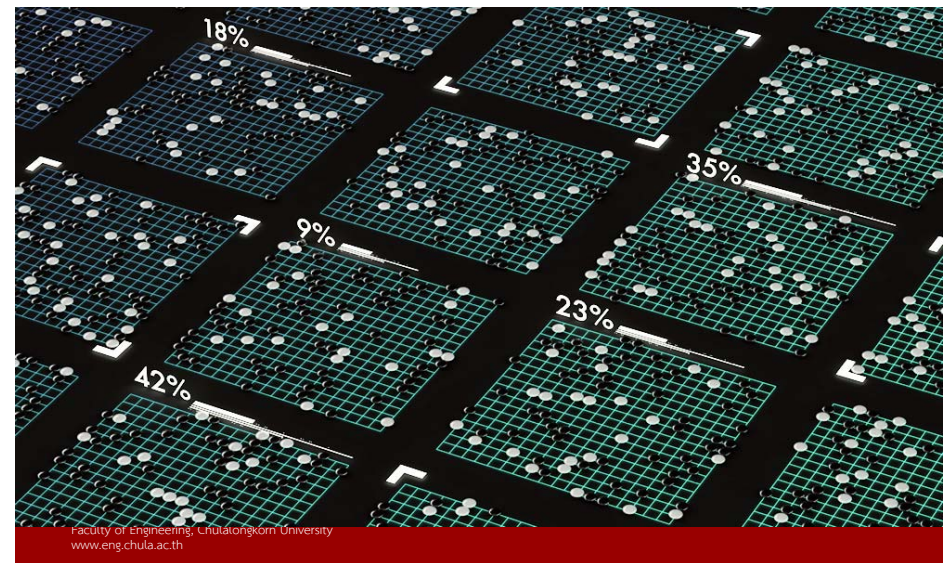
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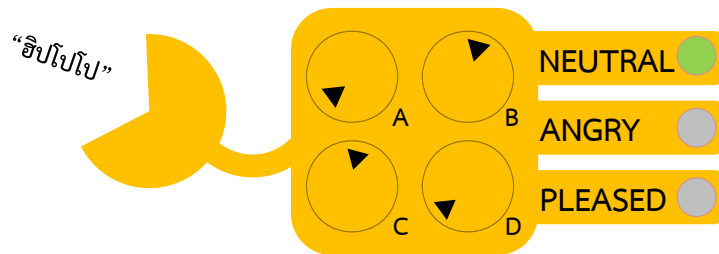
Experience, E: Unsupervised Learning



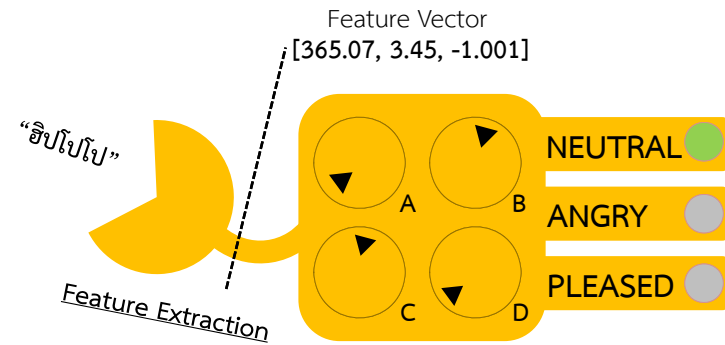
Experience, E: Reinforcement Learning



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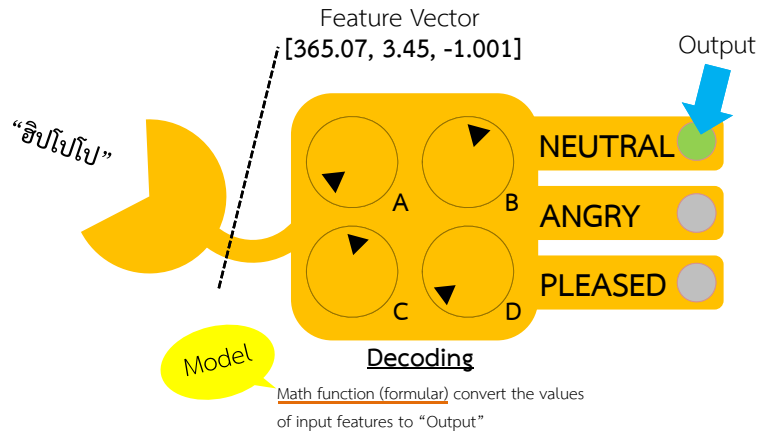


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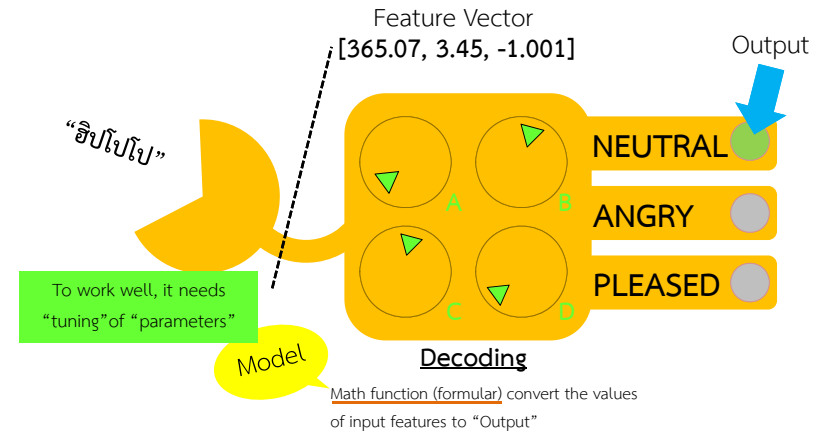


Convert “Input Data” to “Numbers”
Usually, numbers are arranged as “Vectors”
Intentional lose some “non-essential” info

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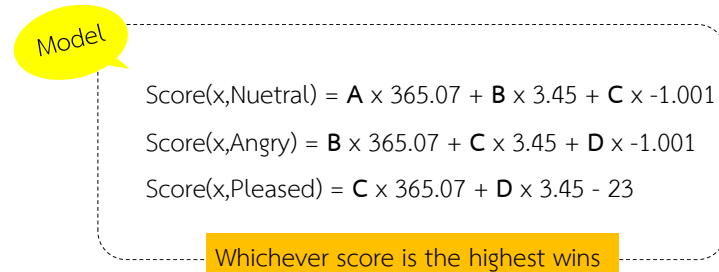


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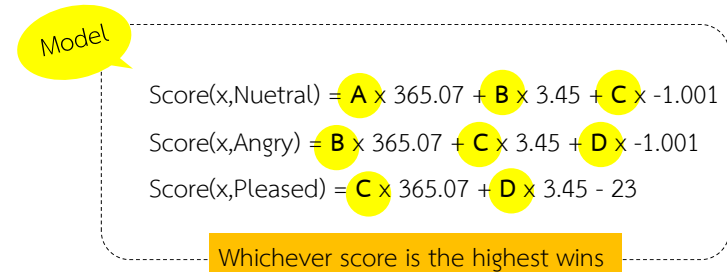
Features-Models-Training

"ชิบโปโป"
Feature Vector
 $[365.07, 3.45, -1.001]$



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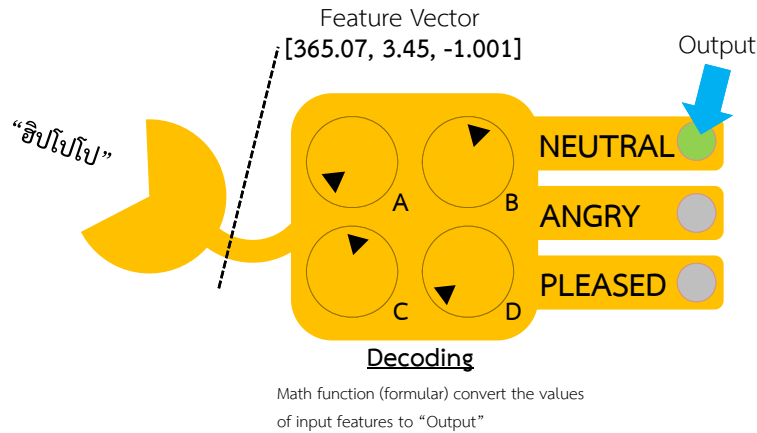
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**Model Training**

Find the value of parameters (A, B, C, D) that optimize an "Objective" of that task by looking at some given labelled values.

Training Data

Features-Models-Training



Feature Extraction

- Some info can be used as is. Eg: Number of letters in a word.
- Not all “Numeric Strings” are numbers Eg: zipcode
- Non-numeric needs to be converted to numbers (usually organized in discrete math structure such as vectors, matrices)
- Keep the “essentials”, discard the “non-essentials”

Feature Extraction: Represent words

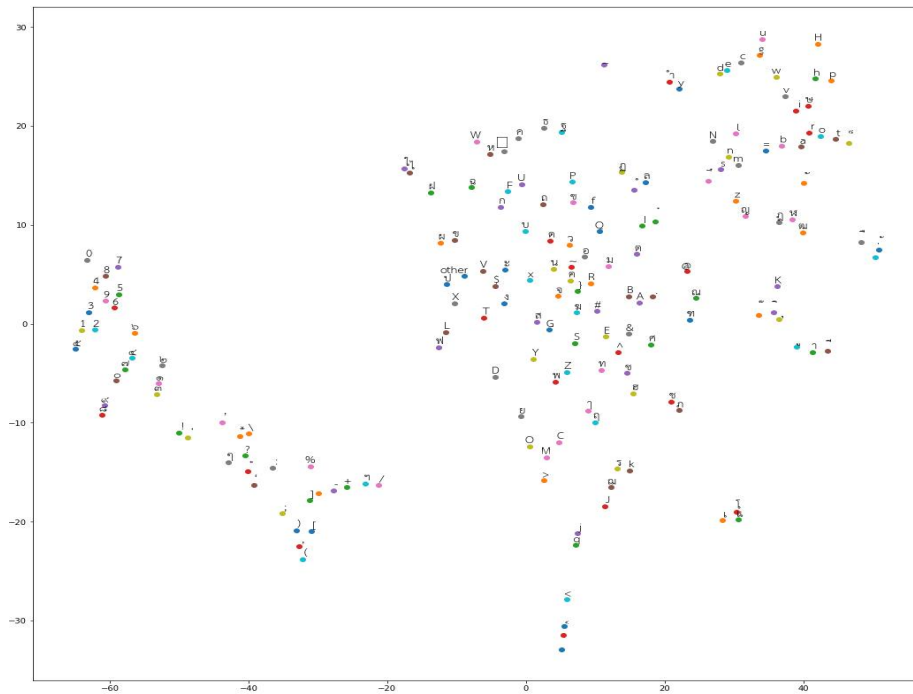
One-hot Encoding

<u>word</u>	<u>one-hot vector</u>
Apple	[1, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0]
Banana	[0, 1, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0]
Coconut	[0, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0, 0]
:	:
Tangerine	[0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1]

Feature Extraction: Represent words

Word Embedding

<u>word</u>	<u>Real-number vector</u>
Apple	[10.45, 8.75, 0.11]
Banana	[10.32, 0.13, 4.32]
Red	[0.281, 9.55, 10.32]
:	:
Tangerine	[10.33, 5.43, 8.77]



Feature Extraction: Represent documents

Bag-of-words

$$\begin{bmatrix} w_1 & w_2 & w_3 & w_4 & w_5 & w_6 & \dots & w_7 \\ 5 & 3 & 4 & 0 & 3 & 5 & \dots & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

of w_i appearing in the document

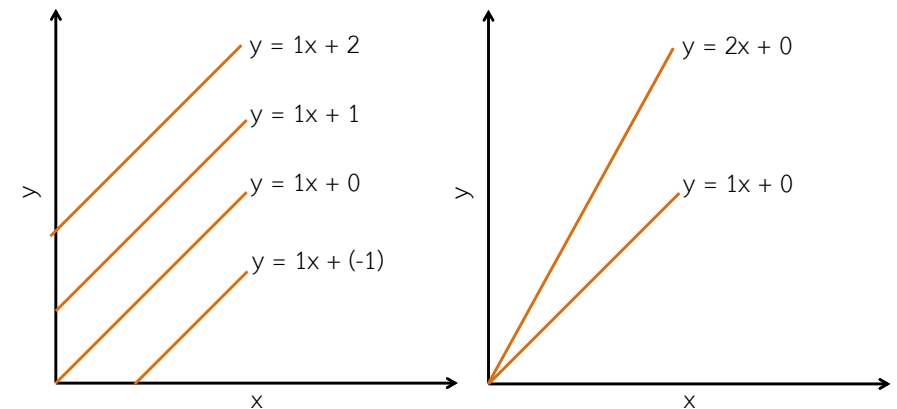
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Document Embedding

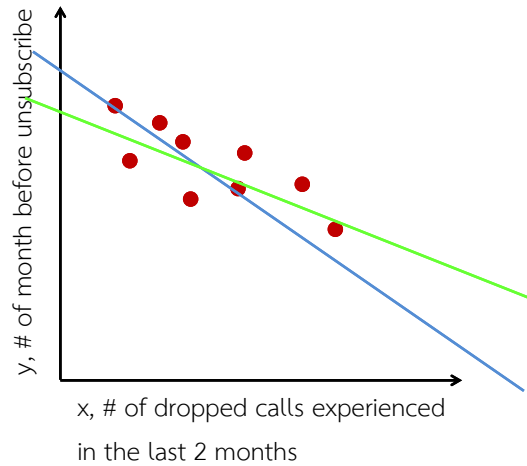
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Model Training: Linear Regression Example

$$y = Mx + C$$

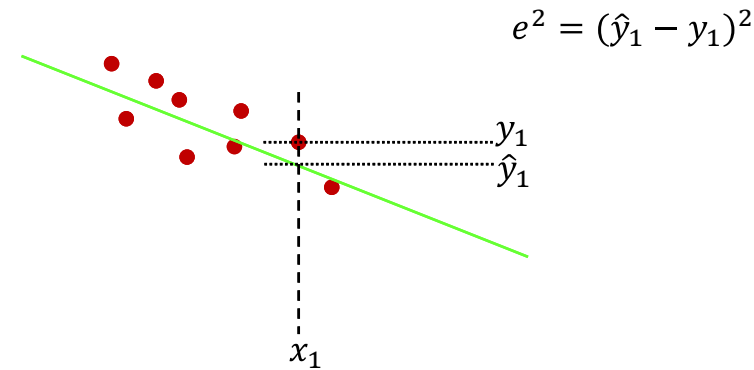


Model Training: Linear Regression Example



$$y = Mx + C$$

Model Training: Linear Regression Example



Reviews of Math Knowledge

Training for TrueVoice

Logarithm

By definition

$$\log_b(a) = c \iff b^c = a$$

when b is the base,
 a is the power,
 c is the exponent

Example:

Logarithmic form		Exponential form
$\log_2(8) = 3$	\iff	$2^3 = 8$
$\log_3(81) = 4$	\iff	$3^4 = 81$
$\log_5(25) = 2$	\iff	$5^2 = 25$

Logarithm properties

The product rule $\log_b(MN) = \log_b(M) + \log_b(N)$

The quotient rule $\log_b\left(\frac{M}{N}\right) = \log_b(M) - \log_b(N)$

The power rule $\log_b(M^p) = p \log_b(M)$

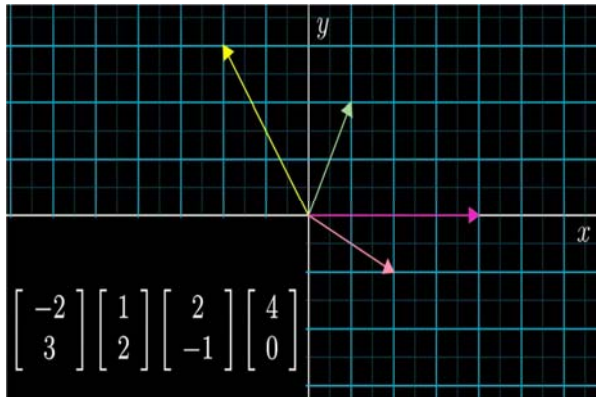
Prevent “Underflow” when multiply many small numbers ($0 < n < 1$) together

Vector

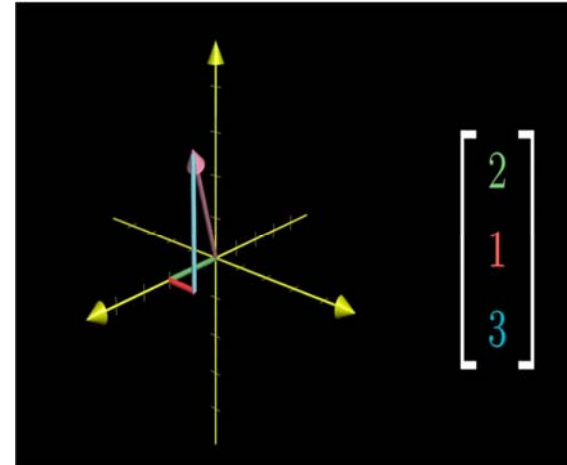
An array of numbers

A D-dimensional vector represents an arc in d dimensions
– starts at the origin and ends at the point specified in a vector

2D Vector



3D Vector



Dot product

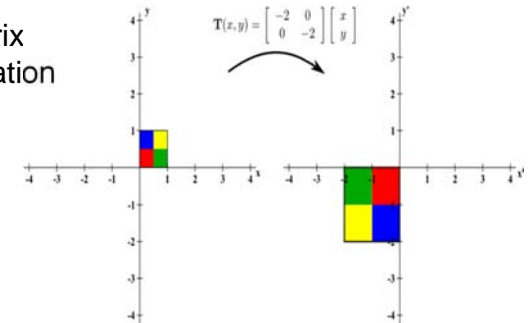
Dot product of two vectors $\mathbf{a} = [a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n]$ and $\mathbf{b} = [b_1, b_2, \dots, b_n]$ is a scalar defined as:

Example: $[1, 3, -5] \cdot [4, -2, -1] = 3$

$$\mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{b} = \sum_{i=1}^n a_i b_i = a_1 b_1 + a_2 b_2 + \dots + a_n b_n$$

Matrix

2D array of numbers
We may thought of matrix
as a linear transformation



Matrix: Column vector & Row vector

$$\mathbf{M} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 5 & 6 \\ 7 & 8 & 9 \end{pmatrix}$$

Row vector

Column vector

Matrix operation: Add/Subtract

Two matrices must be the same size

$$\mathbf{a} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 5 & 6 \\ 7 & 8 & 9 \end{pmatrix} \quad \mathbf{b} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 5 & 6 \\ 7 & 8 & 9 \end{pmatrix} \quad \mathbf{a} + \mathbf{b} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 4 & 6 \\ 8 & 10 & 12 \\ 14 & 16 & 18 \end{pmatrix}$$

Matrix operation: Multiply by a scalar

Multiply by a scalar

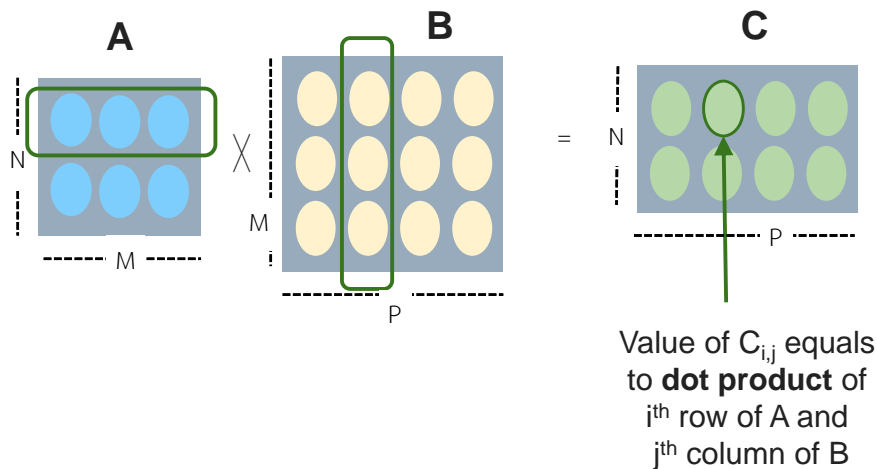
$$\mathbf{a} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 5 & 6 \\ 7 & 8 & 9 \end{pmatrix} \quad 5\mathbf{a} = \begin{pmatrix} 5 & 10 & 15 \\ 20 & 25 & 30 \\ 35 & 40 & 45 \end{pmatrix}$$

Matrix operation: Transpose

If \mathbf{M} is a $m \times n$ matrix, \mathbf{M}^T , a transpose of \mathbf{M} , will be $n \times m$ matrix.

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Matrix multiplication



Linear combination

Given a set of vectors $\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \dots, \mathbf{v}_n$ and scalars a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n , the linear combination of those vectors with those scalars is:

$$a_1\mathbf{v}_1 + a_2\mathbf{v}_2 + \dots + a_n\mathbf{v}_n$$

Linear combination

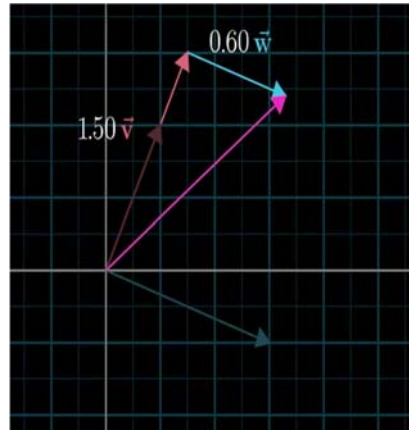
For example:

$$\mathbf{v} = [1, 2]$$

$$\mathbf{w} = [3, -1]$$

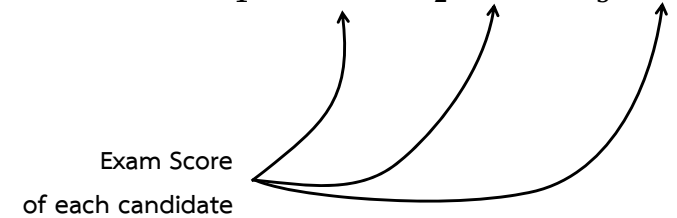
The pink vector is a result of
the linear combination:

$$1.5\mathbf{v} + 0.6\mathbf{w} = [3.3, 2.4]$$



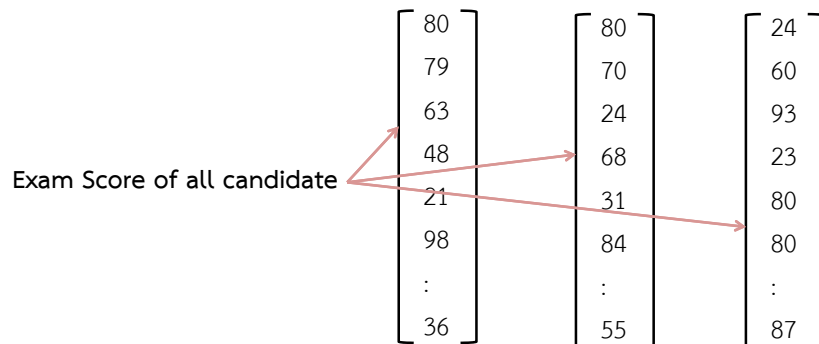
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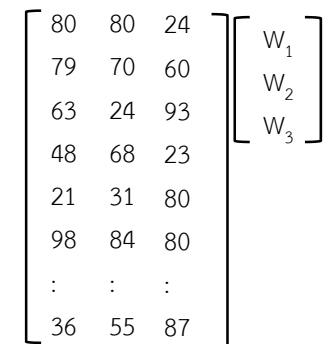
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Exam Score of all candidate

Linear combination Example

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Linear combination Example

$$Job_i = W_{1i} \cdot Math + W_{2i} \cdot Sci + W_{3i} \cdot Eng$$

Reviews of Probability Concepts

Training for TrueVoice

Important Probability Concepts

- Probability
- Conditional Probability
- Total probability theorem
- Bayes' Rule
- Random variable (R.V.)
 - discrete R.V.
 - continuous R.V.
- Expected Value and Variance
- Gaussian Random Variable
- Joint PDF

Probability

- A : any event
- P(A) : probability that the event A happens
- $0 \leq P(A) \leq 1$

Conditional Probability

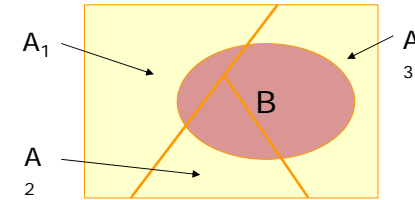
- $P(A|B)$ = probability of A, given that B has occurred.

$$P(A|B) = \frac{P(A \cap B)}{P(B)}$$

- Adjusting the universe to B

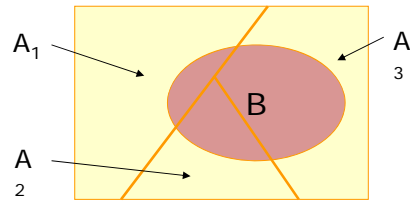
Total Probability Theorem

- Divide the universe into smaller partitions



$$P(B) = P(B|A_1)P(A_1) + P(B|A_2)P(A_2) + P(B|A_3)P(A_3)$$

Bayes' Rule



$$P(A_i|B) = \frac{P(B|A_i)P(A_i)}{P(B)} = \frac{P(B|A_i)P(A_i)}{\sum_j P(A_j)P(B|A_j)}$$

$P(A_i)$: "Prior" probability

Random Variable

- X : Random variable (R.V.)
- x : experimental value of the R.V. X

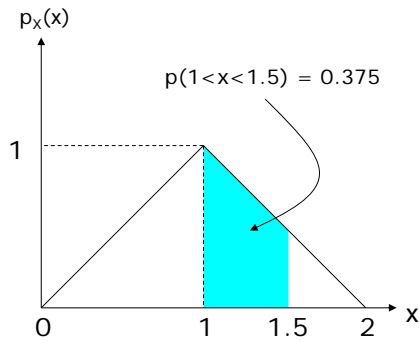
X	x	
Type of a vowel V	$\{ /a/, /i/, \dots \}$	Discrete
# of syllable in a word W	$\{ 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, \dots \}$	
Time (s.) used to respond to a message	$(0, \infty)$	Continuous
Probability of event A	$[0, 1]$	
Log Prob of event A	$(-\infty, 0]$	

Probability Density Function (PDF)

$$P(a < x \leq b) = \int_a^b p(x) dx$$

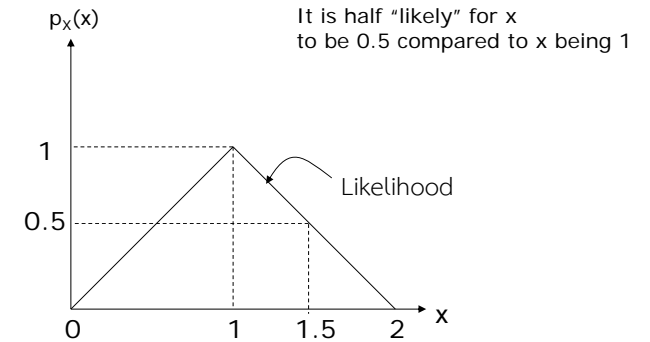
$$P(-\infty < x \leq \infty) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} p(x) dx = 1$$

$$P(x = a) = 0$$



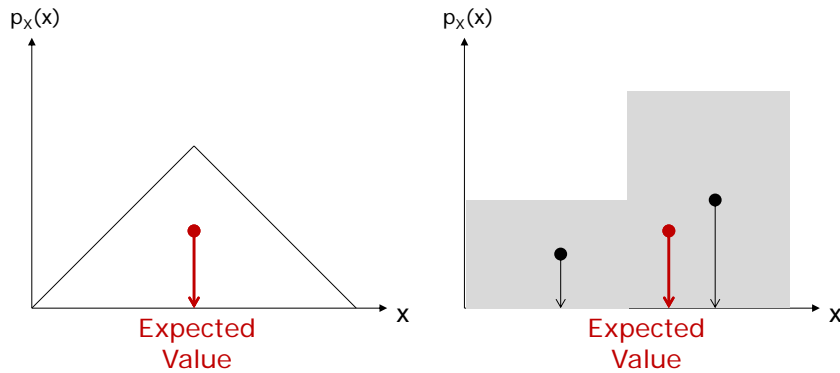
PDF Interpretation

$$P(x = 1) = ?$$

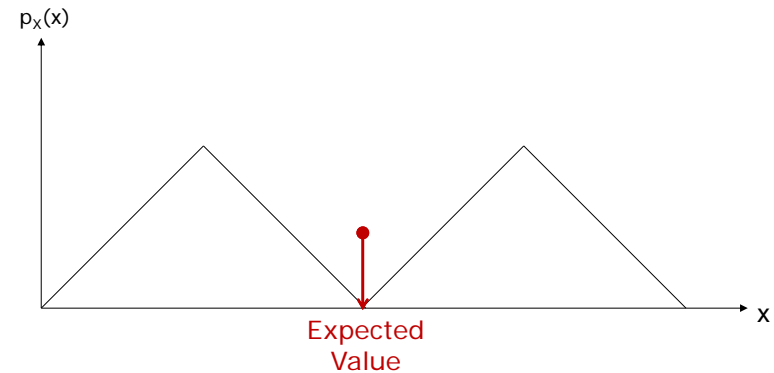


It is half "likely" for x to be 0.5 compared to x being 1

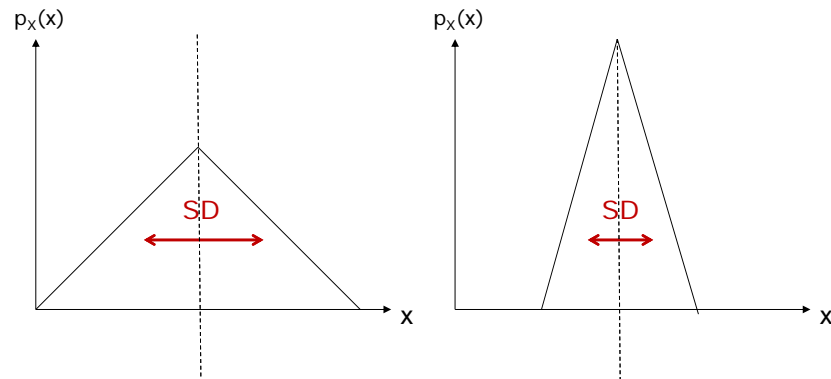
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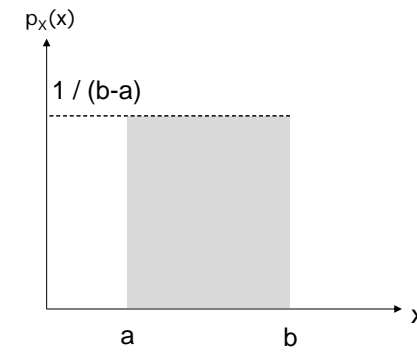


Standard Deviation

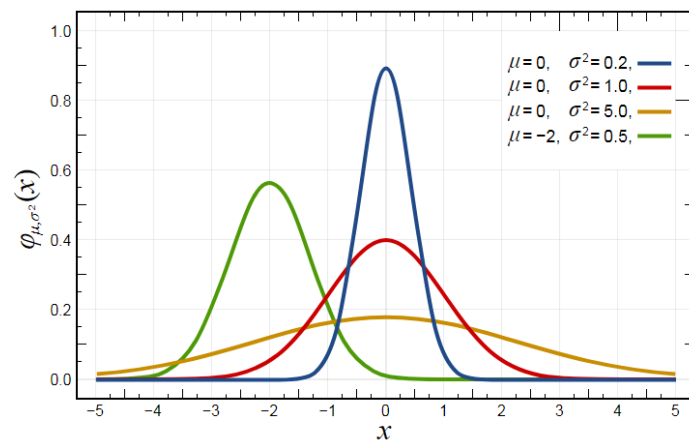


$$\text{Variance} = \text{SD}^2$$

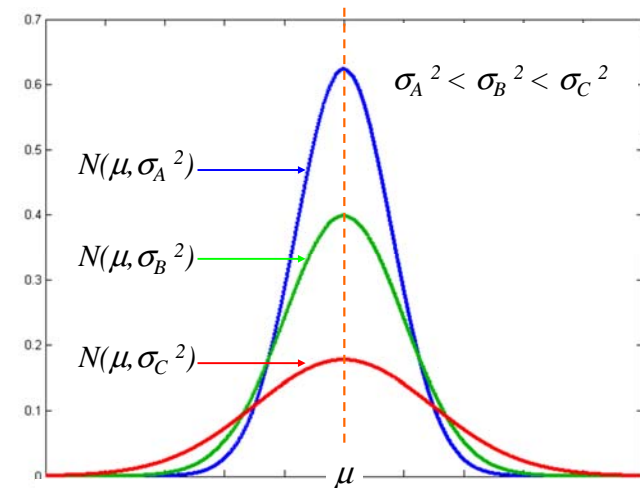
Uniform Distribution



Gaussian (Normal) Distribution



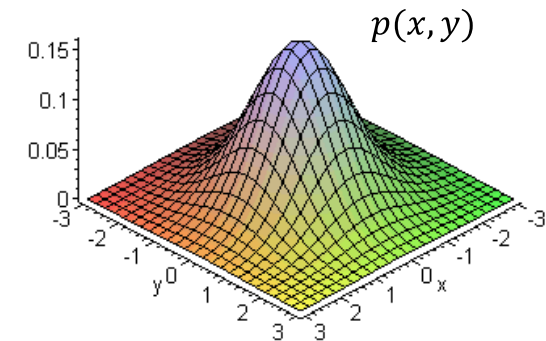
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Joint PDF

- Since we hardly use 1-dimensional feature vector, we mostly use joint PDFs to model the value distributions of multiple random variables.

Joint PDF



<http://personal.kenyon.edu/hartlaub/MellonProject/Bivariate2.html>

Probability Chain Rule

$$\begin{aligned}
 & p(x_1, x_2, x_3, \dots, x_N) \\
 &= p(x_1)p(x_2, x_3, \dots, x_N|x_1) \\
 &= p(x_1)p(x_2|x_1)p(x_3, x_4, \dots, x_N|x_2) \\
 &: \\
 &= p(x_1)p(x_2|x_1)p(x_3|x_2, x_1) \dots p(x_N|x_{N-1}, \dots, x_2, x_1)
 \end{aligned}$$

Independence

$$p(x_2|x_1) = p(x_2)$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & p(x_1, x_2, x_3, \dots, x_N) \\
 &= p(x_1)p(x_2|x_1)p(x_3|x_2, x_1) \dots p(x_N|x_{N-1}, \dots, x_2, x_1) \\
 &= p(x_1) p(x_2) p(x_3) \dots p(x_N)
 \end{aligned}$$

Some Basic NLP Techniques

Training for TrueVoice

Some Basic NLP Techniques

- TF-IDF
- N-Gram

What's TF-IDF for?

- TF-IDF stands for *Term Frequency-Inverse Domain Frequency*
- A weight given to a **word** – measures how important a word is to a **document** in a collection

TF: Term Frequency

Measure how frequently a word occurs in a document

$$TF(w) = \frac{\text{Number of times word } w \text{ appears in a document}}{\text{Number of words in the document}}$$

Why just TF is not enough?

Some words, such as,
“the”, “a”, “as”, “is”,
occur very frequently.

Are those words important to the document?

IDF: Inverse Domain Frequency

Measure how rare a word appears in each document in a collection

$$IDF(w) = \log \frac{\text{Total number of documents}}{\text{Number of documents with word } w \text{ in it}}$$

↑
Use natural log to
decrease the effect of
IDF

IDF: Inverse Domain Frequency

Given a collection with 1,000,000 documents

Word	Number of documents this word appears	IDF
the	1,000,000	0
good	200,000	1.61
NLP	500	7.60

TF-IDF

Multiplying TF and IDF together to get a weight

A word which appears a lot in this document and doesn't appear in other documents much should be an important keyword.

LM: Language Modeling

A task that tell how likely a sequence of words will make a meaningful phrase.

Formally: Given a sequence of words of length m , this task is to assign joint probability $P(w_1, w_2, \dots, w_m)$

LM Example

Example:

$$P(\text{ฉัน, ไป, ซื้อ, ของ, ที่, ตลาด}) = 0.7$$

$$P(\text{ตลาด, ไป, ของ, ที่, ฉัน, ซื้อ}) = 0.05$$

We can also find the conditional probability

$$P(w_m \mid w_1, w_2, \dots, w_{m-1}) \text{ for the language modeling task.}$$

LM for long sentences

Try finding the probability

$$P(\text{the | its water is so transparent that}) = \frac{\text{Count}(\text{its water is so transparent that the})}{\text{Count}(\text{its water is so transparent that})}$$

This phrase is much likely to happen, but it's too long so that it may not occur in the corpus.

Make an assumption

Markov assumption: the probability of the next word depends on only previous k words

For example:

$$k = 1:$$

$$k = 2:$$

$$P(\text{the | its water is so transparent that}) \approx P(\text{the | that})$$

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LM with Markov assumption

$$P(w_1 w_2 \dots w_n) \approx \prod_i P(w_i | w_{i-k} \dots w_{i-1})$$

For example,

we assume dependency on previous 2 words

$$\begin{aligned} P(\text{ฉัน, ไป, ซื้อ, ของ, ที่, ตลาด}) \\ = P(\text{ฉัน} | \langle s \rangle, \langle s \rangle) P(\text{ไป} | \text{ฉัน}, \langle s \rangle) P(\text{ซื้อ} | \text{ฉัน, ไป}) \\ P(\text{ของ} | \text{ไป, ซื้อ}) P(\text{ที่} | \text{ซื้อ, ของ}) P(\text{ตลาด} | \text{ของ, ที่}) \end{aligned}$$

N-gram models

A model for a sequence of contiguous n items (words).

Unigram model (n=1)

$$P(\text{I, want, a, hamburger}) = P(\text{I})P(\text{want})P(\text{a})P(\text{hamburger})$$

$$P(\text{hamburger}) = \frac{\text{Number of time "hamburger" appears in the corpus}}{\text{Total number of words in the corpus}}$$

Bigram model (n=2)

$$P(w_i | w_{i-1}) = \frac{\text{count}(w_{i-1}, w_i)}{\text{count}(w_{i-1})}$$

Quick quiz

we are the most social species on earth and we are also
the most violent species on earth we have two faces
because these two faces are important to survival

Find:

$P(\text{we})$, $P(\text{are}|\text{we})$, $P(\text{have}|\text{we})$, $P(\text{important}|\text{most})$

Trigrams, 4-gram, 5-gram, ...

Just like a bigram model, but scale up k to 3, 4, 5, ...

The problem of unseen data

From the quiz, we can see that:

$P(\text{important} | \text{most})$ is zero because of the limited
amount of data

How can we deal with this problem?

Out-Of-Vocabulary (OOV) words

Create an **unknown** token: $\langle \text{UNK} \rangle$

To train $\langle \text{UNK} \rangle$ probabilities:

1. Create a set of training words L of size V
2. At training time, if any training word is not in L , we treat it as $\langle \text{UNK} \rangle$ and train its probabilities like a normal word
3. At decoding time, use $\langle \text{UNK} \rangle$ probabilities for any word not in L

OOV words: Example

Corpus:

we are the most social species on earth and we are also the most violent species on earth

Training word L = {we, are, the, most, social, on, earth, also}

OOV words: Example

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Training time:

we are the most social <UNK> on earth <UNK> we are also the most <UNK> <UNK> on earth

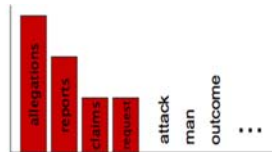
$$P(<UNK>) = 4/18, P(\text{on} \mid <UNK>) = 2/18$$

Smoothing

Add small probabilities of occurring to unseen data

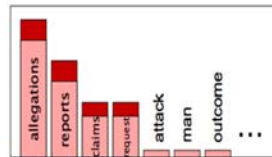
- When we have sparse statistics:

$P(w \mid \text{denied the})$
3 allegations
2 reports
1 claims
1 request
7 total



- Steal probability mass to generalize better

$P(w \mid \text{denied the})$
2.5 allegations
1.5 reports
0.5 claims
0.5 request
2 other
7 total



Add-one smoothing (Laplace smoothing)

For all words w_i :

$$P_{\text{Add-1}}(w_i \mid w_{i-1}) = \frac{c(w_{i-1}, w_i) + 1}{c(w_{i-1}) + V}$$

When V is the number of vocabulary in the corpus.

Add-one doesn't work quite well

A lot of nonsense bigrams pair got promoted.

	i	want	to	eat	chinese	food	lunch	spend
i	0.0015	0.21	0.00025	0.0025	0.00025	0.00025	0.00025	0.00075
want	0.0013	0.00042	0.26	0.00084	0.0029	0.0029	0.0025	0.00084
to	0.00078	0.00026	0.0013	0.18	0.00078	0.00026	0.0018	0.055
eat	0.00046	0.00046	0.0014	0.00046	0.0078	0.0014	0.02	0.00046
chinese	0.0012	0.00062	0.00062	0.00062	0.00062	0.052	0.0012	0.00062
food	0.0063	0.00039	0.0063	0.00039	0.00079	0.002	0.00039	0.00039
lunch	0.0017	0.00056	0.00056	0.00056	0.00056	0.0011	0.00056	0.00056
spend	0.0012	0.00058	0.0012	0.00058	0.00058	0.00058	0.00058	0.00058

Backoff

If you intend to use trigram, but you don't see that 3 words together in the corpus,
use bigram...

- if still don't see the bigram

use unigram...

- if that word hasn't appeared in the corpus
use $1/V$ when V is the vocabulary size

Kneser-Ney Smoothing

A primarily used smoothing method for calculating probability distribution of n-grams.

Study more:

<http://www.foldl.me/2014/kneser-ney-smoothing/>

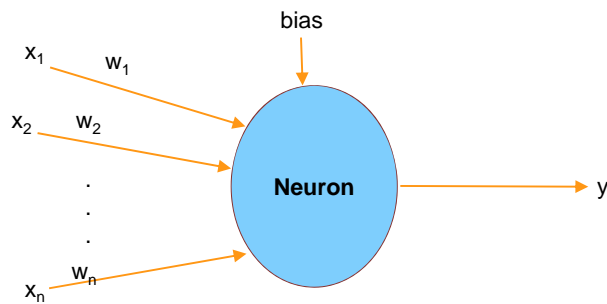
Sample NLP Applications

POS Tagging using NN

Training for TrueVoice

(Artificial) Neuron

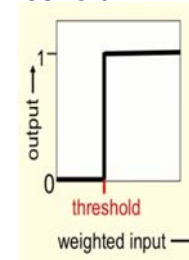
Given n input associated with weight, a bias, neuron outputs a real number y . Output value depends on type of neuron.



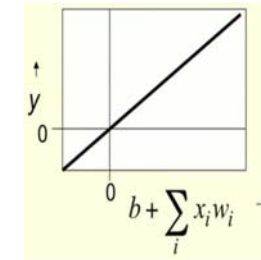
Some types of neurons

$$\text{Given } z = b + \sum_{i=1}^n w_i x_i$$

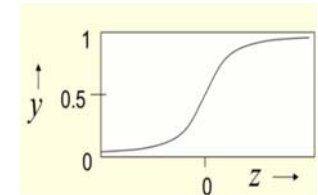
1. Binary threshold



2. Linear

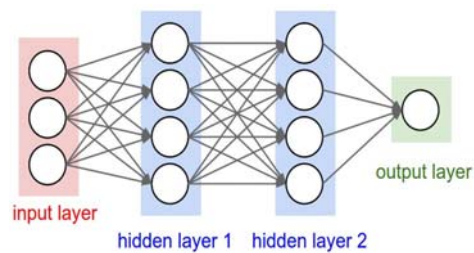


3. Sigmoid



Neural networks

A network of neurons, one input layer, one output layer, and zero to many hidden layers



POS Tagging: A toy example

Assume we have only **5 words** in our model

{<s>, </s>, brown, fox, jumps}

3 POS tags

{noun, verb, adjective}

Represent an input

Use one-hot vector, assuming there are only 5 words in this task: {<s>, brown, fox, jumps, </s>}

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That's why we use matrix multiplication instead of loop over every features

Softmax function

We get a vector size of 15 (output size)
, but value in a vector can be any real number.
So we use softmax function applied element-wise to a vector to get a probability distribution.

Get the most probable POS tag

Choose POS associated to the dimension that has the highest probability.