



3MTT/DeepTech_Ready Upskilling Program

Empowerment of young Nigerians with foundational technical skills
and job-ready competencies in Data Science and Artificial Intelligence

Week 4: Fundamentals of Natural Language Processing

In this week, you will look at this course;

- Fundamentals of NLP



Course 1: Fundamentals of Natural Language Processing

Learning objectives for course

At the end of this course, you should be able to;

- Understand NLP Fundamentals.
- Preprocess Text and Analysis.
- Apply Text Representation Techniques.

Learning Requirements

To support your learning this week, you will require the following resources;

- Jupyter Notebook
- Google Colab (Recommended)

Provided is a guide on how to use and for your assignment with Google Colab. [Google Colab Guide](#)

Course 1: Fundamentals of Natural Language Processing

Link(s) to the course:

- [Introduction to Natural Language Processing \(NLP\)](#)
- [Text Preprocessing, Tokenization, Stemming & Lemmatization](#)
- [Text Representations in NLP](#)

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Learning Resources

Course:



1. [Slide 1](#) – Introduction to Natural Language Processing (NLP)
2. [Slide 2](#) – Text Preprocessing, Tokenization, Stemming & Lemmatization
3. [Slide 3](#) – Text Representations in NLP
4. [Notebook 1](#) – Regex Colab Notebook
5. [Notebook 2](#) – String Processing Colab
6. [Notebook 3](#) – Text tokenization Colab
7. [Notebook 4](#) – Text Representation Colab

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Applied Learning Assignments 1:

1. Define Natural Language Processing (NLP) in your own words.
2. List at least three real-world applications of NLP and explain their significance.
3. Identify and explain two challenges that make NLP complex.
4. Extract the following patterns using **regex**:

a) All email addresses from the text below:

**"Contact us at support@company.com or sales@business.org.
For more, email info@service.net."**

b) All words that end with "ing" from this sentence:

"NLP is amazing for cleaning and processing text while learning new techniques."

5. Write a Python program to clean the following text by:
 - a) Removing all punctuation.
 - b) Converting it to lowercase.
 - c) Splitting it into words.

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Applied Learning Assignments 2:

1. Text Cleaning Task

Apply text cleaning techniques to preprocess the following text:

"OMG!! NLP is soooo cool 😄...!!! It costs \$1000. Learn it now at <https://3mtt.com> 😎."

Refer to the course slide for more information

2. Tokenization Task

Perform both word-level and sentence-level tokenization on the given text.

"Tokenization is the first step in NLP. It splits text into smaller pieces for analysis."

- Use NLTK to perform **word tokenization**.
- Use NLTK to perform **sentence tokenization**



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Applied Learning Assignments 2:

3. Stemming and Lemmatization Task

Apply stemming and lemmatization techniques to a list of words:

["running", "flies", "studies", "easily", "studying", "better"]

- Use **Porter Stemmer** to perform stemming on the words.
- Use **spaCy** to perform lemmatization on the same words.



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Applied Learning Assignments 3:

1. Define a vocabulary of at least 5 unique words. Write Python code to generate one-hot encoded vectors for your vocabulary.
2. Use the following sentences as your dataset:

- "The quick brown fox jumps over the lazy dog."
- "The dog sleeps in the kernel"

- Write Python code to generate a Bag of Words representation for the dataset using CountVectorizer.
- Write Python code to compute the TF-IDF representation using TfidfVectorizer.



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Applied Learning Assignments 3:

3. Create a small dataset of at least 3 sentences related to animals.

Example: "The cat meows. The dog barks. The bird sings."

- Write Python code to:
 - Train a Word2Vec model using gensim.
 - Retrieve the embedding for the word "dog".

4. Load the pretrained GloVe model (glove-wiki-gigaword-50) using gensim.

- Write Python code to:
 - Retrieve the embedding for the word "king".
 - Find the 5 most similar words to "king".





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