# Introduction to Natural Language Processing

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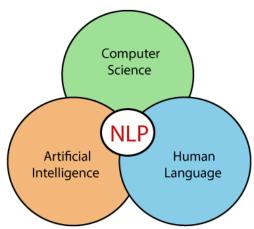
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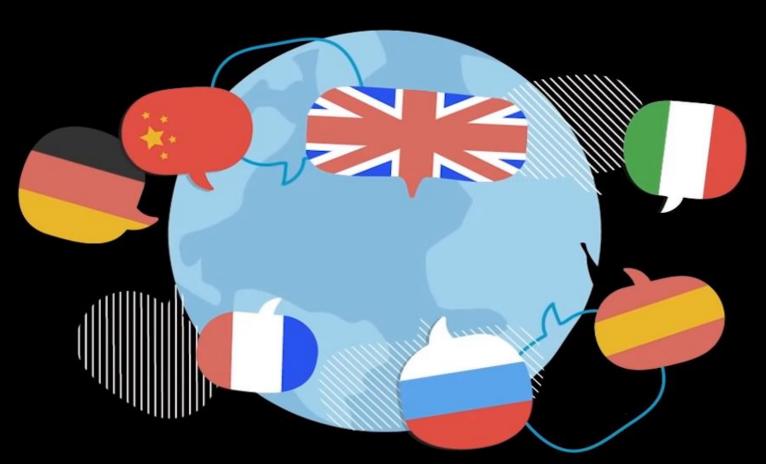
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A field of computer science, artificial intelligence and computational linguistics concerned with the interactions between computers and human (natural) languages.





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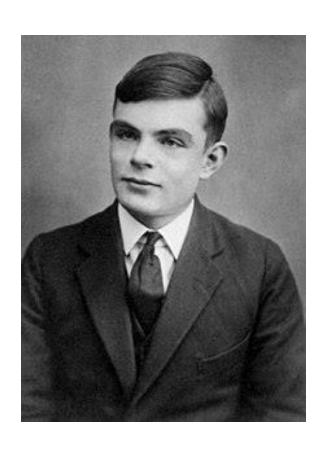
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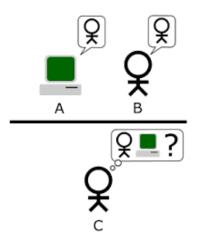
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#### Setup

- Two rooms, two humans, and a computer.
  - Room 1: One human C
  - Room 2: One computer (A) and one human (B)
- Response generated from room 2 (either by A or B)
- C has to figure out the source of the response
  - If C is successful → "A" failed the Turing test
  - Else, → "A" passed the Turing test

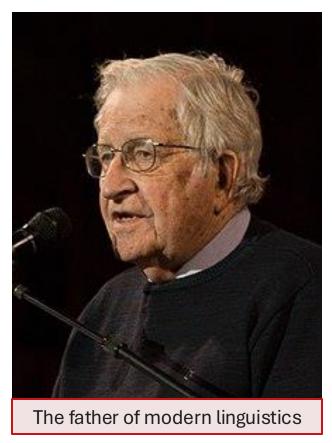
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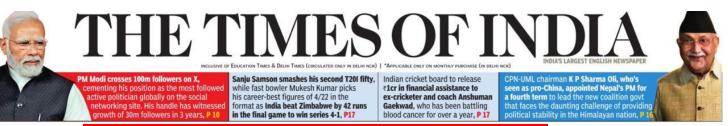
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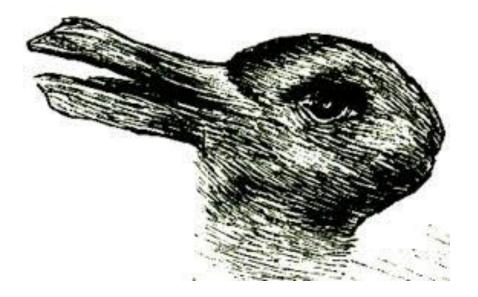




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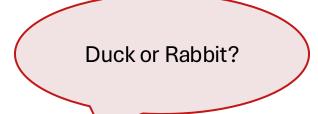




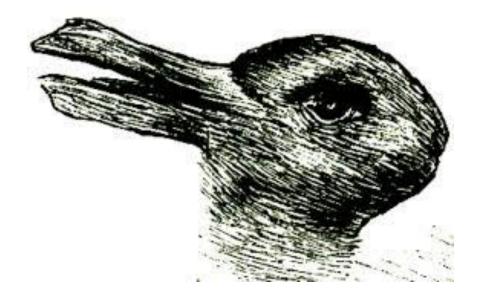
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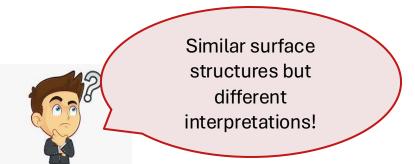








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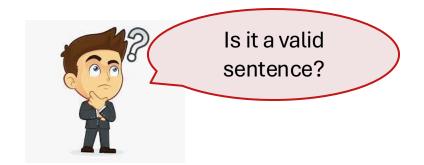
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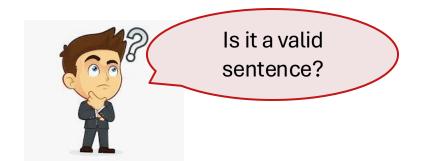








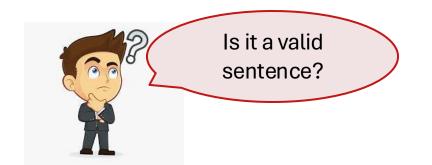
















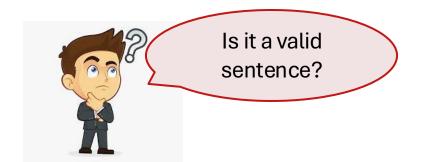








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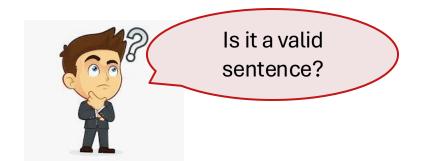


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# Why Else is Natural Language Understanding Difficult?

#### **Non-standard English**

Great job @justinbieber! Were SOO PROUD of what youve accomplished! U taught us 2 #neversaynever & you yourself should never give up either •

#### **Segmentation Issues**

the New York-New Haven Railroad

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#### **Idioms / Multiword**

dark horse
get cold feet
lose face
throw in the towel
Khana-wana (Echo)

#### **Neologisms**

unfriend Retweet bromance

#### World Knowledge

Mary and Juhi are sisters. Mary and Juhi are mothers.

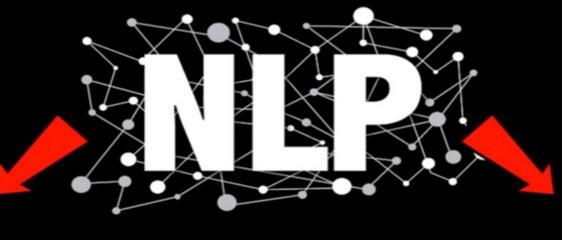
#### **Tricky Entity Names**

Where is *A Bug's Life* playing ... Let It Be was recorded ... ... a mutation on the for gene ...





# **Components of NLP**





Natural Language Understanding



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### **NLP Layers**

- Understanding the semantics is a non-trivial task.
- Needs to performs a series of incremental tasks to achieve this.
- NLP happens in layers.

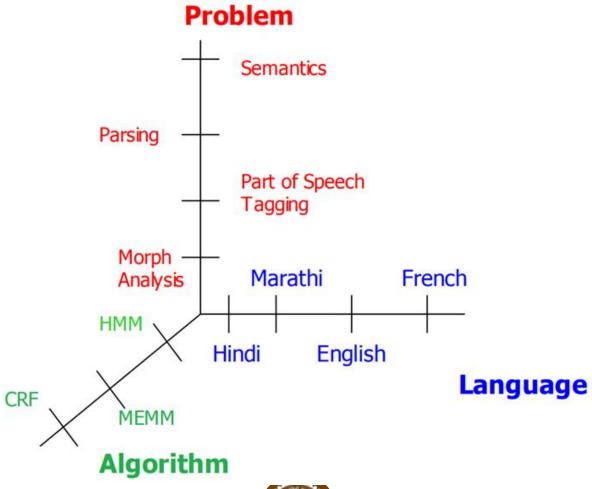
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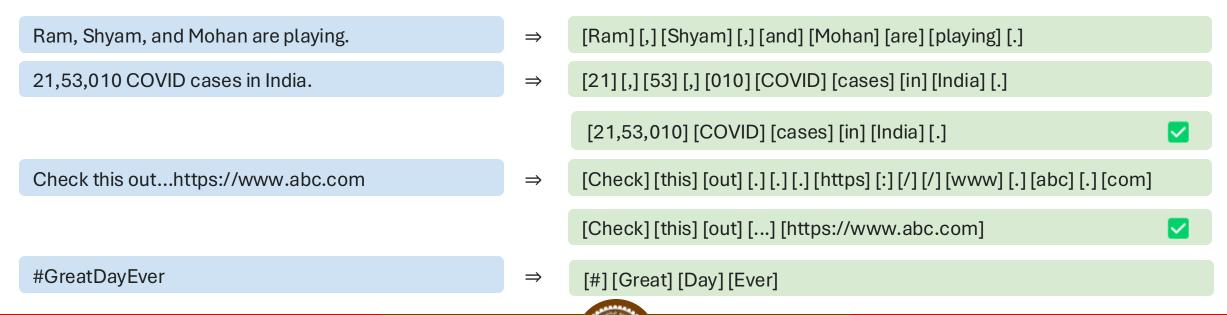


### Word and Token

Word: Smallest sequence of phonemes of a spoken language that can be uttered in isolation.

Word Segmentation/Tokenization: Breaking a string of characters into a sequence of words.

Token: Smallest sequence of graphemes that are delimited with some predefined characters (space, comma, full-stop, etc.);







## Morphology

- Field of linguistics that studies the internal structure of words
  - How they are formed

pend: (verb) to remain

undecided or unsettled.

- Their relationship to other words in the same language.
- It defines word formation rule from the root word.
- Morpheme is the smallest linguistic unit that has semantic meaning
  - Example:

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### Morphology

- English, Chinese, etc. are commonly referred as *morphologically-poor* language.
- Hindi, Turkish, Hungarian, etc. are termed as *morphologically-rich* language.

English	Hindi	Linguistic property
I will go.	में जाऊँगा।	
We will go.	हम जाएंगे।	Different morphological
You will go.	तुम जाओगे।	forms of word 'will go' in
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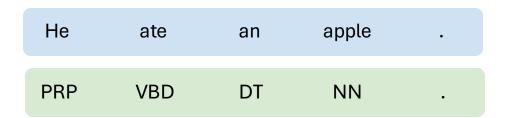
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He	went	to	the	park	in	а	car	
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TO: to

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- 45 tags in Penn Treebank tagset
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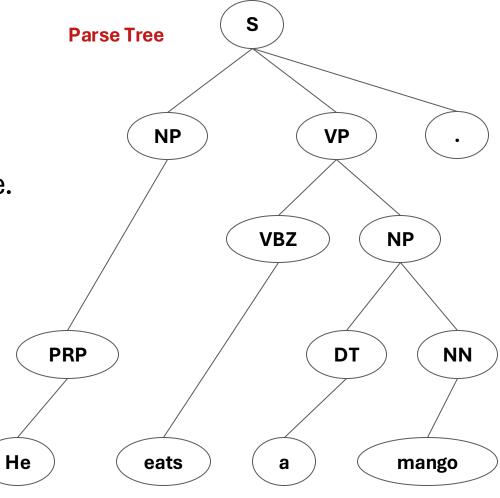
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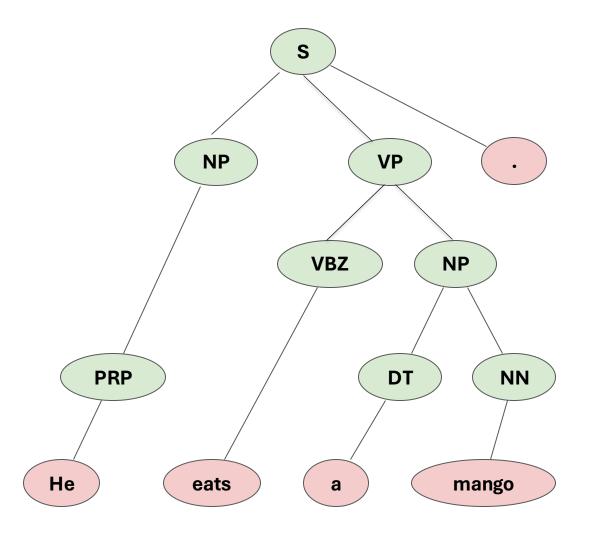
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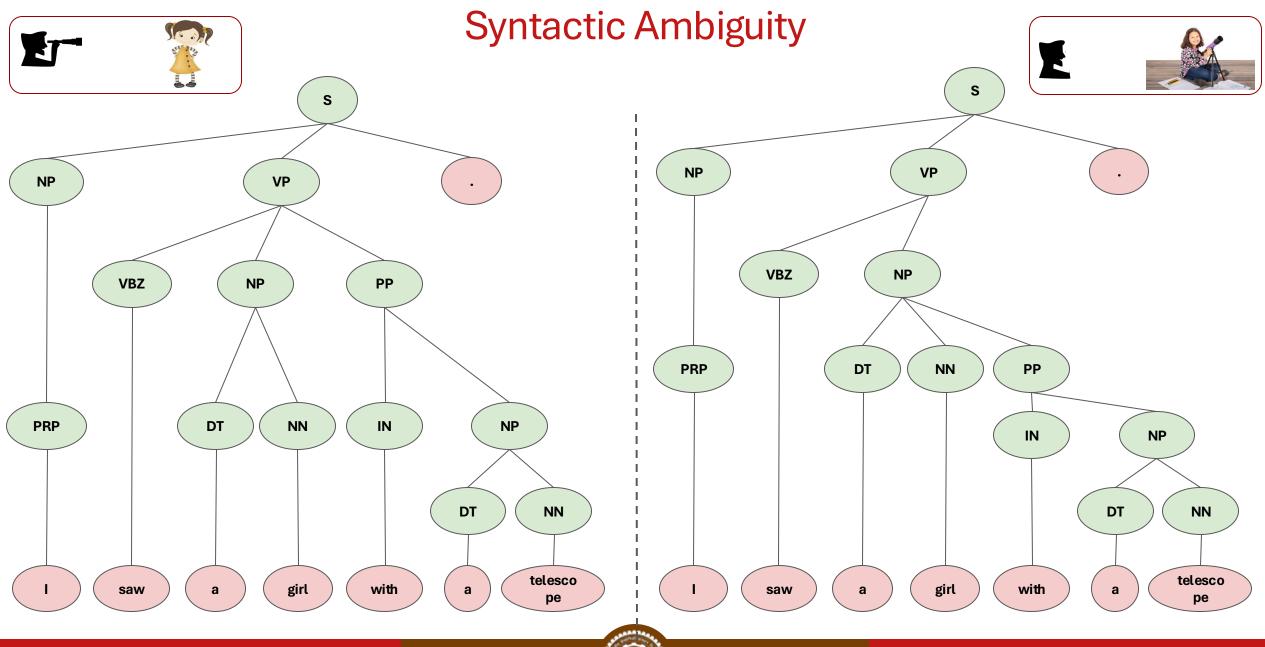
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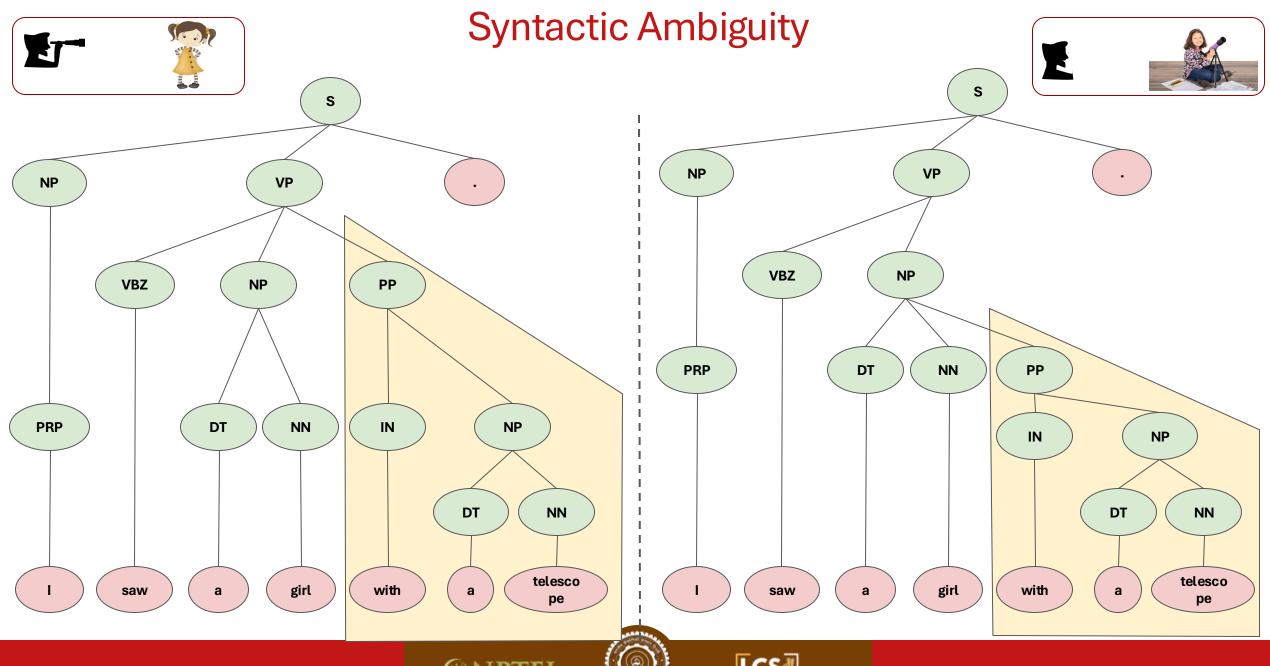












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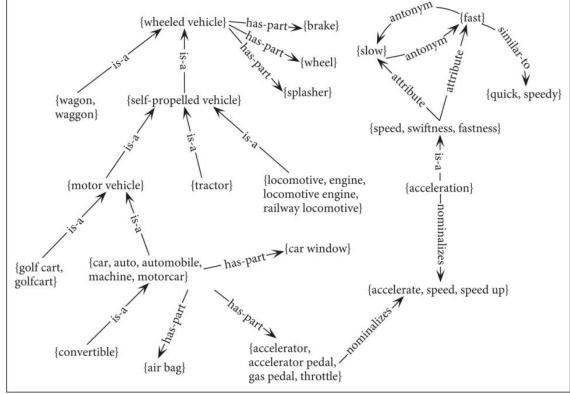
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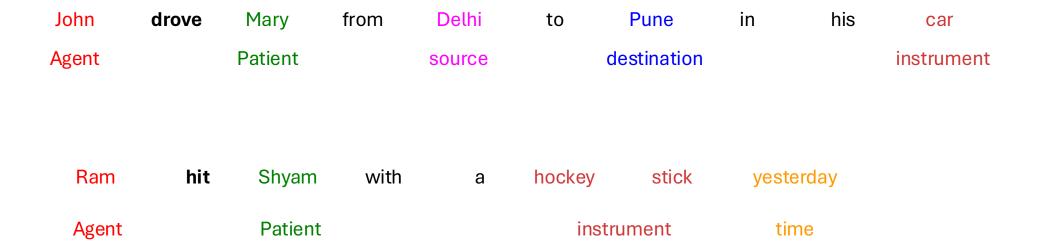
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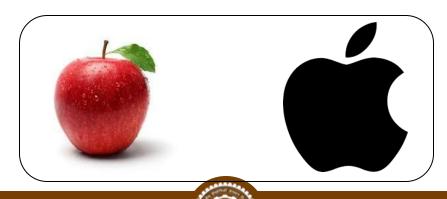


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- Not to mention the cheap service I got at the restaurant.
- Movie was 4 hours long.

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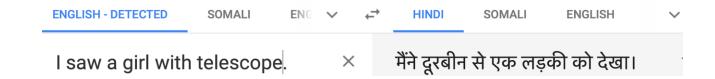


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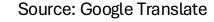




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