

Statistical Machine Translation

Lab Exercise

5: IBM Model 1

Please use Java as your programming language for this lab
Refer to the [lecture slides](#) (Week 5, 6, 7) for extra information

1- Given two sentence pairs as follows:

Sentence ID	Source	Target
1	the house	la maison
2	house	maison

please **manually** calculate the **lexical translation probability** $t(e|f)$ of each word pair (e, f) within **two** iterations of the Expectation Maximisation (EM) algorithm (IBM 1) and show all the steps to arrive at these values:

$t(\text{la}|\text{the})$
 $t(\text{maison}|\text{the})$
 $t(\text{la}|\text{house})$
 $t(\text{maison}|\text{house})$

Hint:

1, the tutorial in the slides (**Week7_Phrase-based SMT**, Page 6-28) can help you.

2, you can use either **the normal IBM model 1** or **the simplified IBM model 1**.

2- Using the two sentence pairs in Question 1 as input to implement the simplified IBM model 1 using Java.

The **simplified IBM model 1** has the following steps:

- Initialise the **lexical translation probability** uniformly
- For each sentence pair (\mathbf{e}, \mathbf{f}) , collect **counts** for word pair (e, f)

$$c(e|f; \mathbf{e}, \mathbf{f}) = \frac{t(e|f)}{\sum_{i=0}^{l_f} t(e|f_i)} \sum_{j=1}^{l_e} \delta(e, e_j) \sum_{i=0}^{l_f} \delta(f, f_i)$$

- Estimate **new lexical translation probabilities** on all sentences (corpus-level):

$$t(e|f; \mathbf{e}, \mathbf{f}) = \frac{\sum_{(\mathbf{e}, \mathbf{f})} c(e|f; \mathbf{e}, \mathbf{f})}{\sum_e \sum_{(\mathbf{e}, \mathbf{f})} c(e|f; \mathbf{e}, \mathbf{f})}$$

- Iterate N times to stop.

Hint:

1, The pseudocode can help on implementation:

IBM Model 1 and EM: Pseudocode

Input: set of sentence pairs (e, f)	14: <i>// collect counts</i>
Output: translation prob. $t(e f)$	15: for all words e in e do
1: initialize $t(e f)$ uniformly	16: for all words f in f do
2: while not converged do	17: $\text{count}(e f) += \frac{t(e f)}{\text{s-total}(e)}$
3: <i>// initialize</i>	18: $\text{total}(f) += \frac{t(e f)}{\text{s-total}(e)}$
4: $\text{count}(e f) = 0$ for all e, f	19: end for
5: $\text{total}(f) = 0$ for all f	20: end for
6: for all sentence pairs (e, f) do	21: end for
7: <i>// compute normalization</i>	22: <i>// estimate probabilities</i>
8: for all words e in e do	23: for all foreign words f do
9: $\text{s-total}(e) = 0$	24: for all English words e do
10: for all words f in f do	25: $t(e f) = \frac{\text{count}(e f)}{\text{total}(f)}$
11: $\text{s-total}(e) += t(e f)$	26: end for
12: end for	27: end for
13: end for	28: end while

2, Example:

Input:

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s1_src = "the house"
s1_tgt = "la maison"
s2_src = " house"
s2_tgt = "maison"
Iteration_number = 2
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Output:

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t(la|the) = 0.625
t(maison|the) = 0.375
t(la|house) = 0.172
t(maison|house) = 0.828
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3- Following Question 1&2, please write a program to compute the lexical probabilities of any word pairs given a parallel corpus (train.en, train.de), where train.fr is the source data file and train.en is the target file. The output should be a file which contains word pairs with their translation probabilities.

Input:

train.en

train.de

Iteration_number = 2

Format of output file:

Mann small 0.0

groß man 0.262295081967

Mann a 0.262295081967

Haus small 0.267156339412

ist tall 0.213114754098

das my 0.0

groß is 0.0263964462687

klein my 0.204330927263

mein small 0.0580774650895