

15CSE358 Natural Language Processing
Assignment-1

Total Marks: 25

1. Write programs to process the Brown Corpus and find answers to the following questions:
 - a) Which nouns are more common in their plural form, rather than their singular form? (Only consider regular plurals, formed with the -s suffix.)
 - b) Which word has the greatest number of distinct tags. What are they, and what do they represent?
 - c) List tags in order of decreasing frequency. What do the 20 most frequent tags represent?
 - d) Which tags are nouns most commonly found after? What do these tags represent?

Reference: <https://www.nltk.org/book/ch05.html> [5 Marks]

2. One common way of defining the subject of a sentence *S* in English is as *the noun phrase that is the child of S and the sibling of VP*. Write a function that takes the tree for a sentence and returns the subtree corresponding to the subject of the sentence. What should it do if the root node of the tree passed to this function is not *S*, or it lacks a subject?

Reference: <https://www.nltk.org/book/ch08.html> [5 marks]

3. Write a function that takes a grammar (such as the one defined in 3.1) and returns a random sentence generated by the grammar. (Use `grammar.start()` to find the start symbol of the grammar; `grammar.productions(lhs)` to get the list of productions from the grammar that have the specified left-hand side; and `production.rhs()` to get the right-hand side of a production.)

Reference: <https://www.nltk.org/book/ch08.html> [5 marks]

4. Implement CKY algorithm for parsing a CFG in CNF.

Reference: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=yFLvZXGRiSE> [10 marks]

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