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NER	Named entity recognition
NLP	Natural Language Processing
POS	Part-of-speech also called lexical category
TUT	Tampere University of Technology



# 1. INTRODUCTION

Testing citation Andor et al. 2016

## **2. NATURAL LANGUAGE PROCESSING**

### **2.1 POS Tagging**

POS (part-of-speech) is the process of marking up a word in a text corpus to particular part of speech based on both its definition and its context.

POS, also called lexical category, is a category of words which have similar grammatical properties. English parts of speech are noun, verb, adjective, adverb, pronoun, preposition, conjunction, interjection, and sometimes numeral, article or determiner.

POS tagging may also use additional finer lexical categories to a word for additional information on word's role. Fundamental problem in coarse and fine POS tagging is the lack of standardized terminology for POS tags. Universal dependencies project tries to address this issue.

POS tagging is often the first step in Natural language processing (NLP) pipeline. Currently (October 2016) the best part-of-speech tagger is described by Andor et. al (2016) and implemented as Google's SyntaxNet. Other notable POS tagging software include Stanford University's POS tagger, spaCy - python library for NLP, Python Natural Language Toolkit.

### **2.2 Dependency Parsing**

### **2.3 Co-Reference Parsing**

### **2.4 Sentence Segmentation**

### **2.5 Lemmatization**

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