

Natural Language Processing (3)

Word Senses and Embeddings

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Word Sense

- **Intension**: the ideas, properties, or corresponding signs that are implied or suggested by a concept (or word).
 - $A = \{x \mid x \text{ is an odd number less than } 10\}$
 - (dictionary definition)
plant a living thing that has leaves and roots and obtains most of its energy from sunlight via photosynthesis
- **Extension**: the set of things to which a concept (or word) extends or applies.
 - $A = \{1, 3, 5, 7, 9\}$

Metaphor / Metonymy

- Metaphor

- How can I kill a process? [Martin, 88]
- My car drinks gasoline. [Wilks, 78]
- He shot down all of my arguments.
[Lakoff & Johnson, 80]
- He is a big star. ★

- Metonymy

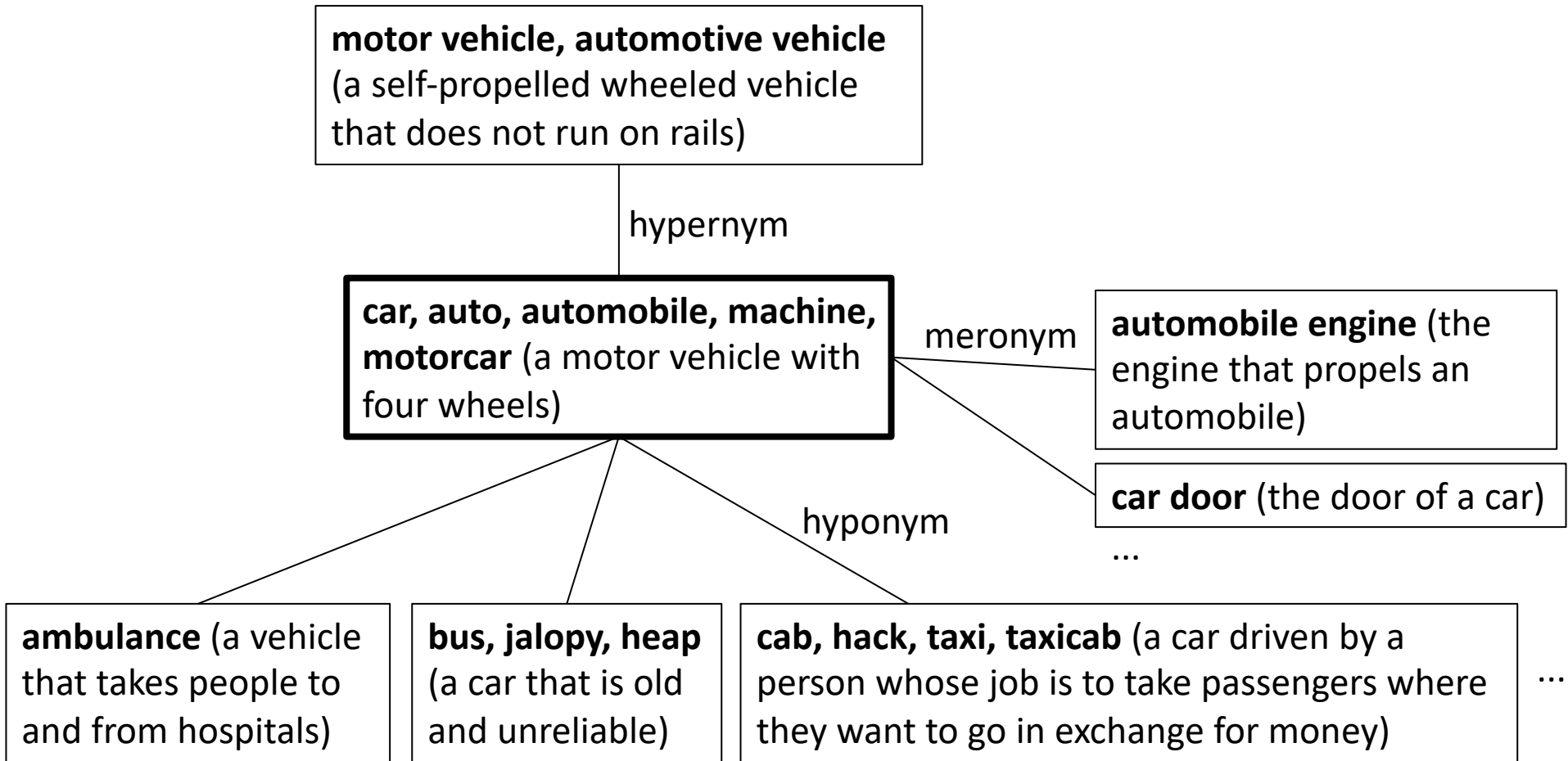
- Washington and Tokyo agree on ...
- The ham sandwich is waiting for his check.
[Lakoff & Johnson, 80]
- Japanese people often eat nabe
in winter.



Thesaurus

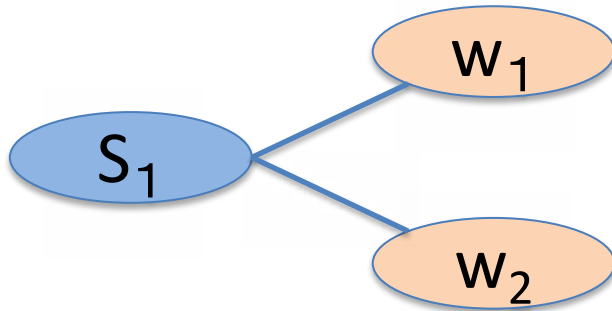
- A kind of dictionary which lists words grouped together according to similarity and shows their generic/specific relations.
 - *Roget's Thesaurus*, by Peter Mark Roget, published in 1852.
 - *WordNet*, compiled in 1990s at Princeton Univ. extended to EuroWordNet, IndoWordNet, Chinese WordNet, Japanese WordNet, ...

WordNet

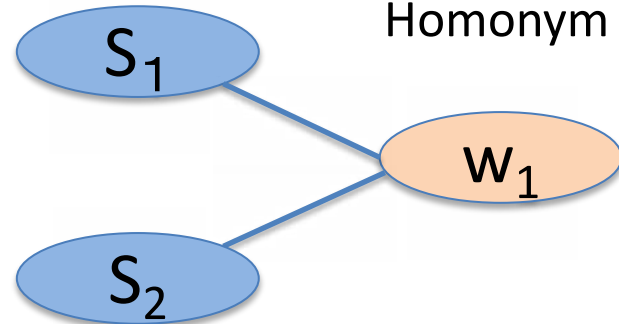


Synonymy and Homonymy


Synonym



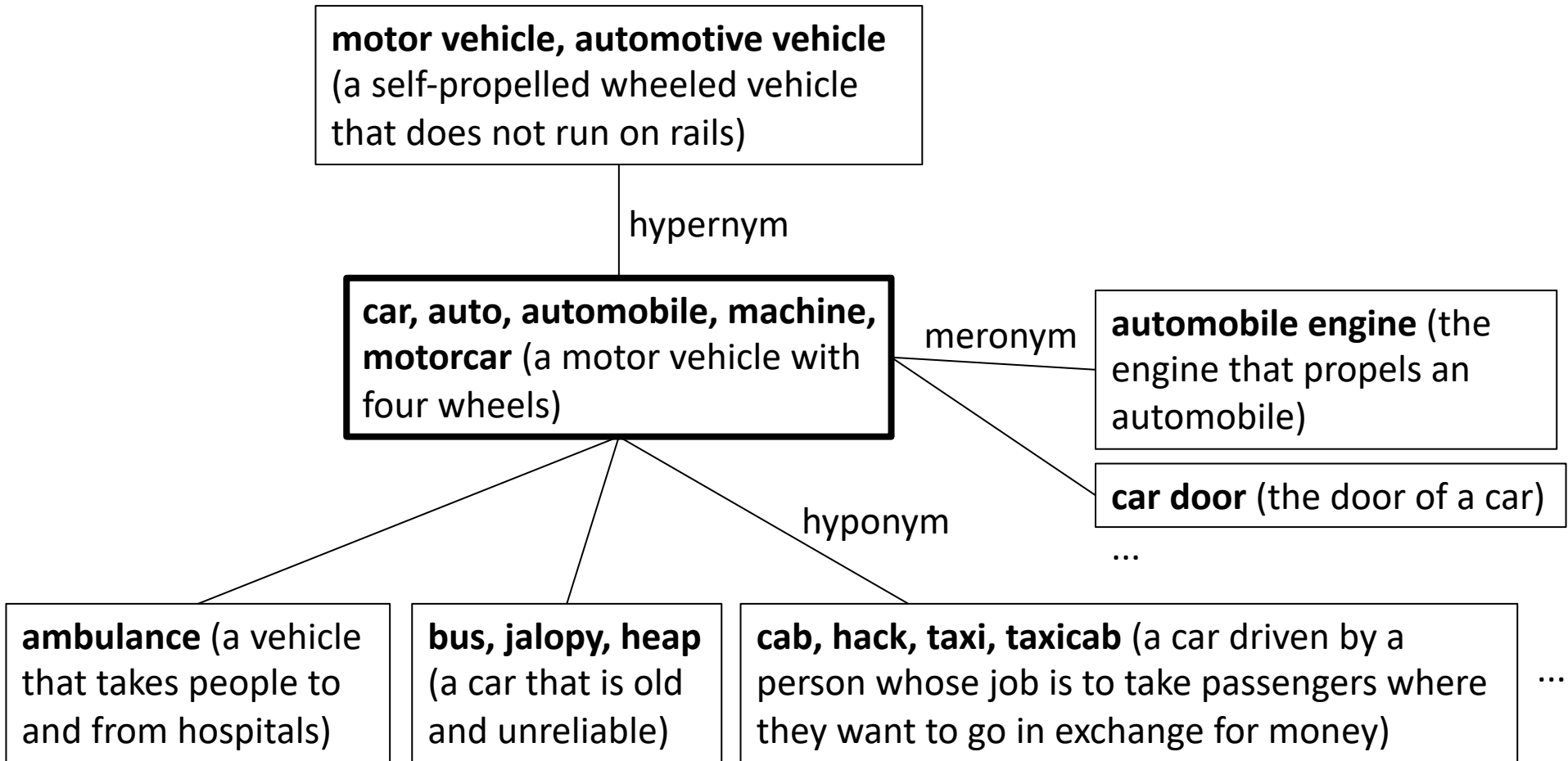
Homonym



Synonyms

- Spelling variations
 - center, centre
 - 林檎, りんご, リンゴ 
- Different words (synonym ... near synonym)
 - apple, アップル, 林檎 (translation)
 - NLP, Natural Language Processing (acronym)
 - helium, He; meeting, mtg (abbreviation)
 - big, large

WordNet



Distributional Similarity

- Distributional Hypothesis: words that occur in the same contexts tend to have similar meanings [Harris 1954; Firth 1957]
- Contexts are defined by related words judged by PMI (pointwise mutual information)

$$PMI(x, y) = \log \frac{P(x, y)}{P(x)P(y)}$$

Distributional Similarity

- Similarity measure:

- Jaccard coefficient $\frac{|X \cap Y|}{|X \cup Y|}$

- Simpson coefficient $\frac{|X \cap Y|}{\min(|X|, |Y|)}$

- Dice coefficient $\frac{2|X \cap Y|}{|X| + |Y|}$

(X : related words for x ; Y : related words for y)

Distributional Similarity

	医師	医者
～の診察 (observation of ...)	8225	495
～に相談 (consult ...)	4374	1359
～の許可 (admission of ...)	1474	254
..

0.382



Similar word	Sim.
ドクター (doctor)	0.395
医者 (doctor)	0.382
先生 (teacher)	0.374
獣医 (veterinary)	0.350

Similar words with 医師

Examples of Similar Words

- コンピュータ (computer)
 - 計算機(computer): 0.44, パソコン(personal computer): 0.40, Macintosh: 0.39, プリンタ(printer): 0.32, ノートパソコン(notebook computer): 0.29
- ゲーム (game)
 - RPG: 0.40, ドラクエ(Dragon Quest): 0.38, オンラインゲーム(online game): 0.37, ビリヤード(billiard): 0.36, FF: 0.32
- メタボ (metabolic syndrome)
 - 花粉症(pollen allergy): 0.32, 病気(disease): 0.30, 病(disease): 0.26, 癌(cancer): 0.24

Words with red color mean these words are not listed in a thesaurus.

Homonyms / Polysemic Words



bank



interest



Homonyms / Polysemic Words

- homonym

- *bank*: **Different origins (English, Italian)**

1. The banks of a river, canal, or lake are the **raised areas of ground** along its edge.
2. A bank is an **institution** where people or businesses can keep their money.

- polysemic words

- *interest*: **Same origins (English, Italian)**

1. If you have an interest in something, you want to learn or hear more about it.
2. Interest is **extra money** that you receive if you have invested a sum of money.

Systematic Polysemy

- “the act of X” and “the people doing X”
e.g., competition, organization
- “the act of X” and “the result of doing X”
e.g., deposit

Word Sense Disambiguation

- Ambiguity
 - Many words have several meanings (senses)
- Methods for disambiguation
 - Dictionary-based disambiguation
 - Unsupervised disambiguation
 - Supervised disambiguation

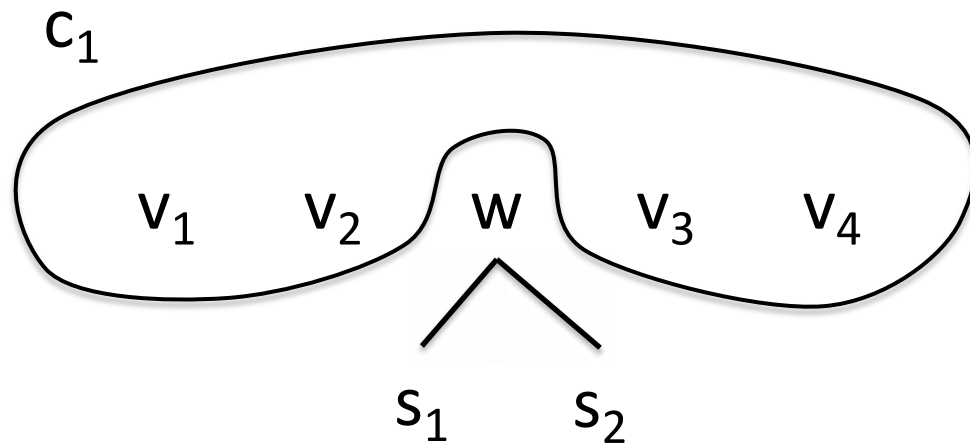
Upper and Lower Bounds

- Upper bounds
 - Human agreement
 - over 95% for clearly distinct senses (e.g., bank)
 - 65% to 70% for polysemous words with many related senses (e.g., title, side, way)
- Lower bounds **First sense**
 - Simplest possible algorithm:
 - most frequent sense
 - first sense in a dictionary

Notation

- w an ambiguous word
 - $s_1, \dots, s_k, \dots s_K$ senses of the ambiguous word w (**sense inventory**)
 - $c_1, \dots, c_i, \dots c_I$ contexts of w in a corpus
 - $v_1, \dots, v_j, \dots v_J$ words used as contextual features for disambiguation
- ✖ Length of context needed for disambiguation
- Verb: local context (argument)
 - Noun: broad context

Notation



Dictionary-based Disambiguation (using sense definitions)

cone:

1. a mass of ovule-bearing or pollen-bearing scales or bracts in trees of the pine family or in cycads that are arranged usually on a somewhat elongated axis
2. something that resembles a cone in shape: as ... a crisp cone-shaped wafer for holding ice cream

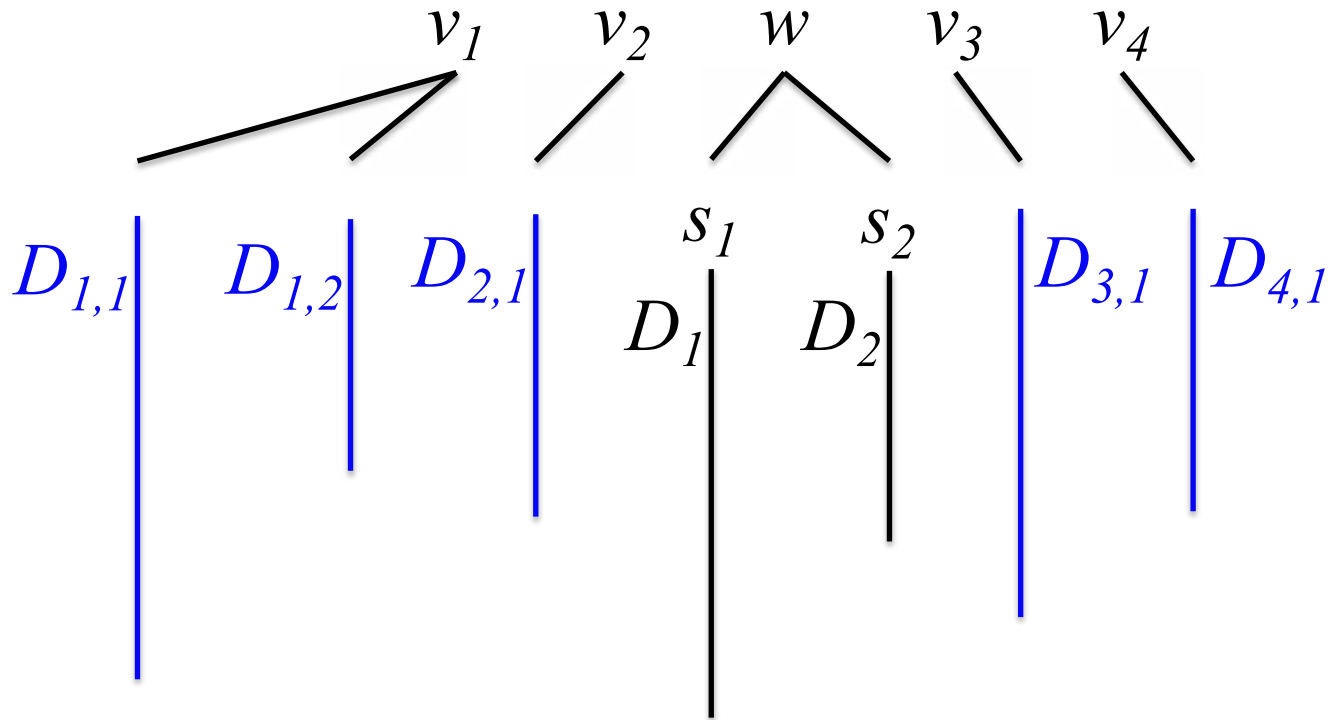


$$\begin{aligned} s' &= \arg \max_{s_k} \text{score}(s_k) \\ &= \arg \max_{s_k} \text{overlap} \left(D_k, \bigcup_{v_j \text{ in } c} E_{v_j} \right) \end{aligned}$$

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$$= \arg \max_{s_k} \text{overlap} \left(D_k, \bigcup_{v_j \text{ in } c} E_{v_j} \right)$$

$$E_{v_j} = \bigcup_i D_{ji}$$



Dictionary-based Disambiguation

(using a bilingual dictionary)

- Exploit different translations in other languages
 - German translations of *interest*:
 1. Beteiligung (legal share)
 2. Interesse (attention, concern)
 - “acquire an interest”:
 - “erwerben” co-occurs with “Beteiligung”
 - “show interest”:
 - “zeigen” co-occurs with “Interesse”

One Sense Per Discourse/Collocation

- The dictionary-based methods process each occurrence separately
- However, there are **constraints** between different occurrences [Yarowsky 1995]
 - One sense per discourse
 - The sense of a target word is highly consistent within any given document
 - One sense per collocation
 - Nearby words provide strong and consistent clues to the sense of a target word

seeds

- plant_A → life
- plant_B → manufacturing



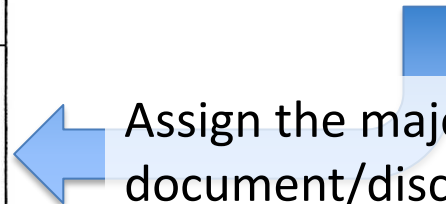
Tagging (one sense per collocation)

Sense	Training Examples (Keyword in Context)
A	used to strain microscopic <i>plant life</i> from the ...
A	... zonal distribution of <i>plant life</i>
A	close-up studies of <i>plant life</i> and natural ...
A	too rapid growth of aquatic <i>plant life</i> in water ...
A	... the proliferation of <i>plant</i> and animal <i>life</i> ...
A	establishment phase of the <i>plant virus life</i> cycle ...
A	... that divide <i>life</i> into <i>plant</i> and animal kingdom
A	... many dangers to <i>plant</i> and animal <i>life</i> ...
A	mammals . Animal and <i>plant life</i> are delicately
A	beds too salty to support <i>plant life</i> . River ...
A	heavy seas, damage , and <i>plant life</i> growing on ...
A
?	... vinyl chloride monomer <i>plant</i> , which is ...
?	... molecules found in <i>plant</i> and animal tissue
?	... Nissan car and truck <i>plant</i> in Japan is ...
?	... and Golgi apparatus of <i>plant</i> and animal cells ...
?	... union responses to <i>plant</i> closures
?
?
?	... cell types found in the <i>plant</i> kingdom are ...
?	... company said the <i>plant</i> is still operating ...
?	... Although thousands of <i>plant</i> and animal species
?	... animal rather than <i>plant</i> tissues can be ...
?	... computer disk drive <i>plant</i> located in ...
B
B	automated manufacturing plant in Fremont ...
B	... vast manufacturing plant and distribution ...
B	chemical manufacturing plant , producing viscose
B	... keep a manufacturing plant profitable without
B	computer manufacturing plant and adjacent ...
B	discovered at a St. Louis <i>plant manufacturing</i>
B	... copper manufacturing plant found that they
B	copper wire manufacturing plant , for example ...
B	's cement manufacturing plant in Alpena ...
B	polystyrene manufacturing plant at its Dow ...
B	company manufacturing plant is in Orlando ...



collocation patterns

Initial decision list for <i>plant</i> (abbreviated)		
LogL	Collocation	Sense
8.10	<i>plant life</i>	⇒ A
7.58	manufacturing plant	⇒ B
7.39	<i>life</i> (within ±2-10 words)	⇒ A
7.20	manufacturing (in ±2-10 words)	⇒ B
6.27	animal (within ±2-10 words)	⇒ A
4.70	equipment (within ±2-10 words)	⇒ B
4.39	employee (within ±2-10 words)	⇒ B
4.30	assembly <i>plant</i>	⇒ B
4.10	<i>plant</i> closure	⇒ B
3.52	<i>plant</i> species	⇒ A
3.48	automate (within ±2-10 words)	⇒ B
3.45	microscopic <i>plant</i>	⇒ A
	...	



Assign the majority sense in a document/discourse to ambiguous words (one sense per discourse)

Unsupervised Disambiguation

- In the case of no knowledge sources
- Clustering
- EM (Expectation Maximization)
 1. Initialization
 2. Expectation (E-step)
 3. Maximization (M-step)

Observed Data

context words

money	...	bank	...	lend
borrow	...	bank	...	lend
borrow	...	bank	...	money
river	...	bank	...	river

**c is
overall context.
constant, can
ignore denom**

$$\arg \max_{s_k} P(s_k | c) = \arg \max_{s_k} \frac{P(c | s_k)}{P(c)} \cdot P(s_k)$$

$$= \arg \max_{s_k} P(c | s_k) \cdot P(s_k)$$

$$= \arg \max_{s_k} \prod_{v_j \text{ inc}} P(v_j | s_k) \cdot P(s_k)$$

**Naive Bayes
assumption**

Initialization

$$P(s1) = 0.5$$

$$P(s2) = 0.5$$

$$P(\text{money} | s1) = 0.27$$

$$P(\text{borrow} | s1) = 0.24$$

$$P(\text{lend} | s1) = 0.26$$

$$P(\text{river} | s1) = 0.23$$

$$P(\text{money} | s2) = 0.26$$

$$P(\text{borrow} | s2) = 0.28$$

$$P(\text{lend} | s2) = 0.22$$

$$P(\text{river} | s2) = 0.24$$

E-step

- Estimation of complete data

Use Naive Bayes
assumption



$$P(s_k | c_i) = \frac{P(s_k, c_i)}{P(c_i)} = \frac{P(s_k, c_i)}{\sum_j P(s_j, c_i)} = \frac{P(s_k)P(c_i | s_k)}{\sum_j P(s_j)P(c_i | s_j)}$$

$P(s_1 | \text{money} \dots \text{bank} \dots \text{lend}) = ?$

$P(s_2 | \text{money} \dots \text{bank} \dots \text{lend}) = ?$

...

E-step

$$\begin{aligned} P(s_1 | \text{money} \dots \text{bank} \dots \text{lend}) & \text{naive Bayes } \prod_i P(v_j | s_k) P(s_k) \\ &= \frac{0.5 \times 0.27 \times 0.26}{0.5 \times 0.27 \times 0.26 + 0.5 \times 0.26 \times 0.22} = 0.55 \end{aligned}$$

$$P(s_2 | \text{money} \dots \text{bank} \dots \text{lend}) = 0.45$$

Result of E-step

money ... *bank* ... lend
 $s_1:0.55, s_2:0.45$

borrow ... *bank* ... lend
 $s_1:0.50, s_2:0.50$

borrow ... *bank* ... money
 $s_1:0.47, s_2:0.53$

river ... *bank* ... river
 $s_1:0.48, s_2:0.52$

M-step

- Maximum likelihood estimation from complete data

$$P(s1) = ?$$

$$P(\text{money} \mid s1) = ?$$

...

M-step

- Maximum likelihood estimation from complete data

mean of different occurrences of s1

$$P(s1) = \frac{0.55+0.50+0.47+0.48}{4} = 0.50$$

$$P(\text{money} \mid s1) = \frac{0.55+0.47}{2 \times (0.55+0.50+0.47+0.48)} = 0.255$$

...

2 is for 2
words in a given context

$$P(s1) = \sum_i P(s1, ci) = P(s1, \text{money}) + P(s1, \text{lend}) + P(s1, \text{borrow}) + \dots + P(s1, \text{river}) + P(s1, \text{river})$$

Iteration

- Iterate E-step and M-step until convergence

$$P(s1) = 0.75$$

$$P(s2) = 0.25$$

$$P(\text{money} | s1) = 0.33$$

$$P(\text{borrow} | s1) = 0.33$$

$$P(\text{lend} | s1) = 0.33$$

$$P(\text{river} | s1) = 0.00$$

$$P(\text{money} | s2) = 0.00$$

$$P(\text{borrow} | s2) = 0.00$$

$$P(\text{lend} | s2) = 0.00$$

$$P(\text{river} | s2) = 1.00$$

Supervised Disambiguation

- Disambiguated corpora for training
 - SemCor
 - 200K words in Brown Corpus were manually annotated with a sense tag (synset) of WordNet
 - e.g., Grabbing his Winchester from its sheath, Cook prepared to fight from behind the arroyo bank.
 - Wikipedia
 - Internal links in Wikipedia can be regarded as manually disambiguated sense tags

09213434-n:
a long ridge or pile

The signing of basketball player
Michael Jordan in 1984, with his
subsequent promotion of Nike
over the course of his career ...

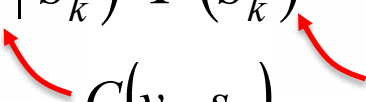


http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Nike,_Inc.

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Michael_Jordan

Supervised Disambiguation

- Bayesian classification

$$\begin{aligned} & \arg \max_{s_k} P(s_k | c) \\ &= \arg \max_{s_k} \frac{P(c | s_k)}{P(c)} \cdot P(s_k) \\ &= \arg \max_{s_k} P(c | s_k) \cdot P(s_k) \\ &= \arg \max_{s_k} \prod_{v_j \text{ in } c} P(v_j | s_k) \cdot P(s_k) \end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{C(v_j, s_k)}{\sum_t C(v_t, s_k)} \quad \frac{C(s_k)}{C(w)}$$

count of s_k / count of w

- Other machine learning methods

svm, NN

Wikification

On Saturday, Michael Jordan and Tom Brady played a game of pickup basketball in the Bahamas.

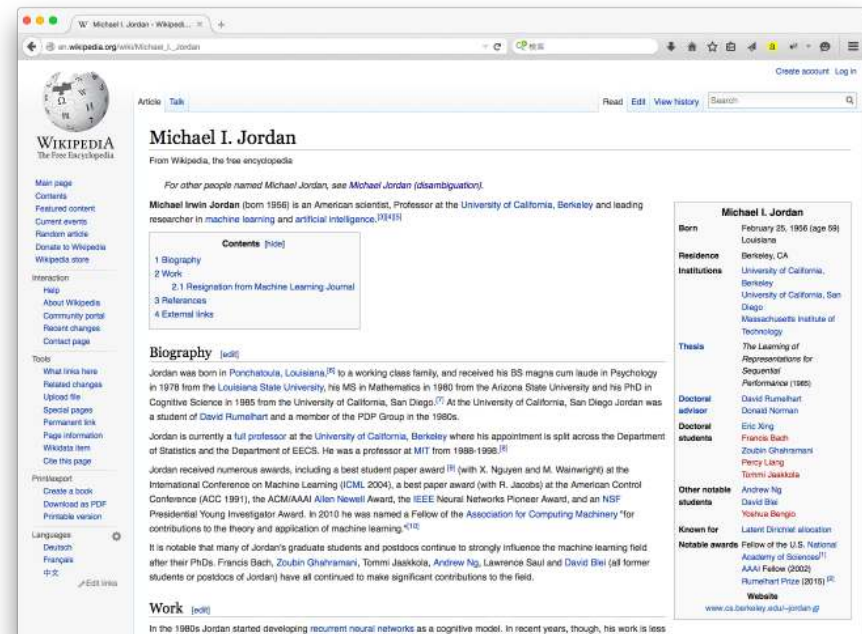
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Michael Jordan	
	Jordan in 2014
Born	February 17, 1963 (age 50) Bronx, New York
Nationality	American
Listed height	6 ft 6 in (1.98 m)
Listed weight	216 lb (98 kg)
High school	Emory A. Lacey (Wilmington, North Carolina)
College	North Carolina (1981–1984)
NBA draft	1984 / Round: 1 / Pick: 3rd overall
Pro career	Selected by the Chicago Bulls 1984–1993, 1995–1998

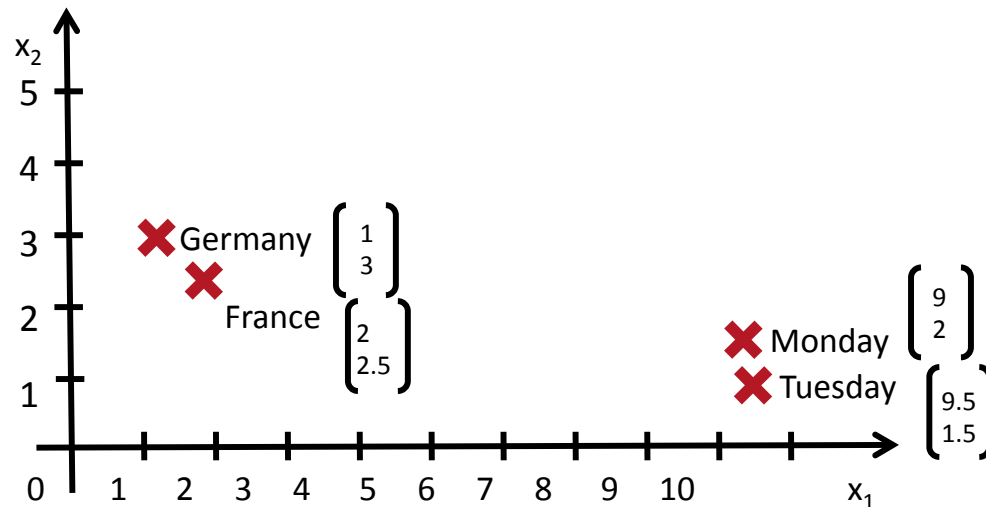


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Michael I. Jordan	
Born	February 25, 1956 (age 58) Louisiana
Residence	Berkeley, CA
Institutions	University of California, Berkeley University of California, San Diego Massachusetts Institute of Technology
Thesis	The Learning of Representations for Sequential Performance (1980)
Doctoral advisor	David Rumelhart Donald Norman
Doctoral students	Eric Xing Francis Bach Zoubin Ghahramani Percy Liang Tommi Jaakkola
Other notable students	Andrew Ng David Blei Volodymyr Bengio
Known for	Latent Dirichlet allocation
Notable awards	Fellow of the U.S. National Academy of Sciences ^[1] AAAI Fellow (2002) Rumelhart Prize (2015) ^[2]
Website	www.cs.berkeley.edu/~jordan/g

Word2vec [Mikolov+ 2013]

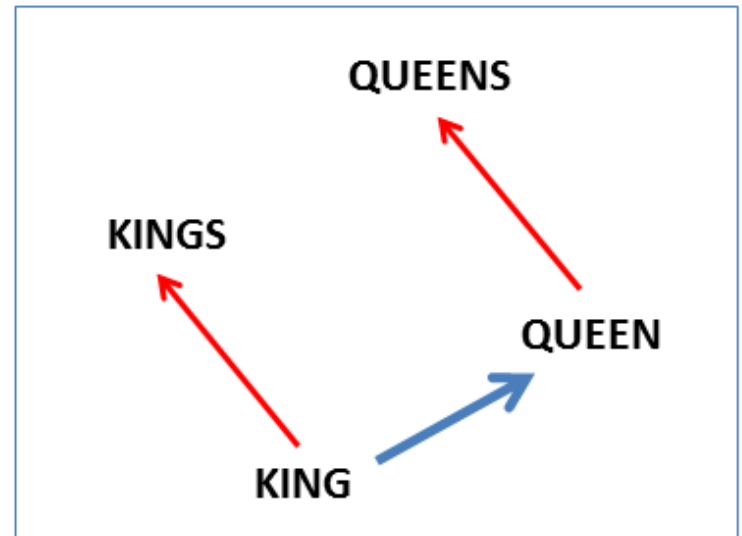
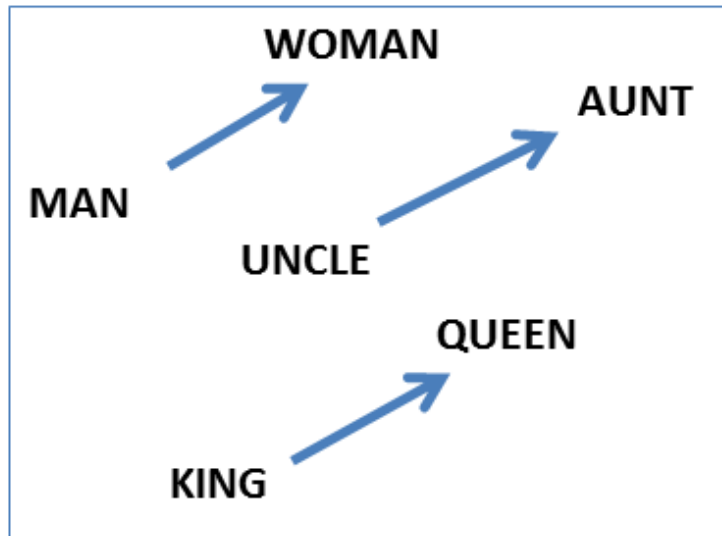
- Learning (dense) word vectors using a neural network
- Based on the **distributional hypothesis**



Linguistic Regularities

[Mikolov+ 2013]

- $\text{KINGS} - \text{KING} + \text{QUEEN} = \text{QUEENS}$
distributional hypothesis

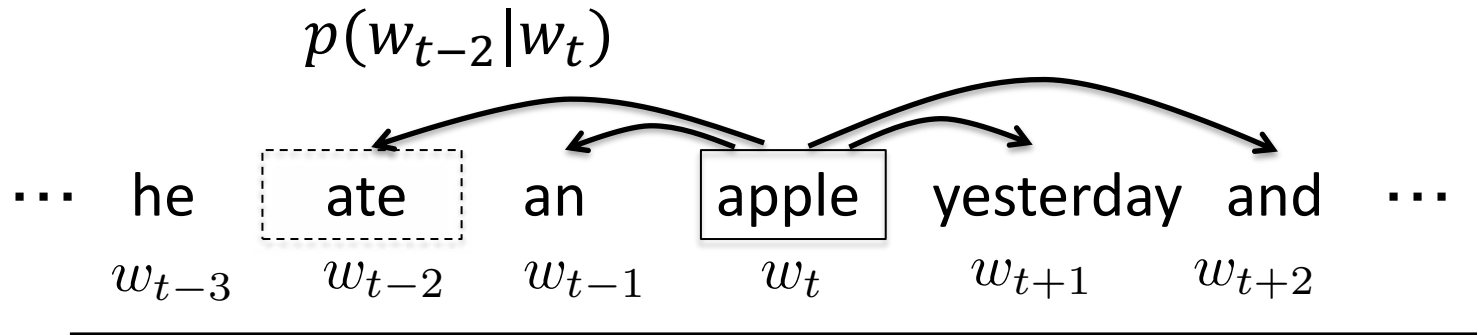


Linguistic Regularities

<i>Expression</i>	<i>Nearest token</i>
Paris - France + Italy	Rome
bigger - big + cold	colder
sushi - Japan + Germany	bratwurst
Cu - copper + gold	Au
Windows - Microsoft + Google	Android
Montreal Canadiens - Montreal + Toronto	Toronto Maple Leafs

<i>Expression</i>	<i>Nearest tokens</i>
Czech + currency	koruna, Czech crown, Polish zloty, CTK
Vietnam + capital	Hanoi, Ho Chi Minh City, Viet Nam, Vietnamese
German + airlines	airline Lufthansa, carrier Lufthansa, flag carrier Lufthansa
Russian + river	Moscow, Volga River, upriver, Russia
French + actress	Juliette Binoche, Vanessa Paradis, Charlotte Gainsbourg

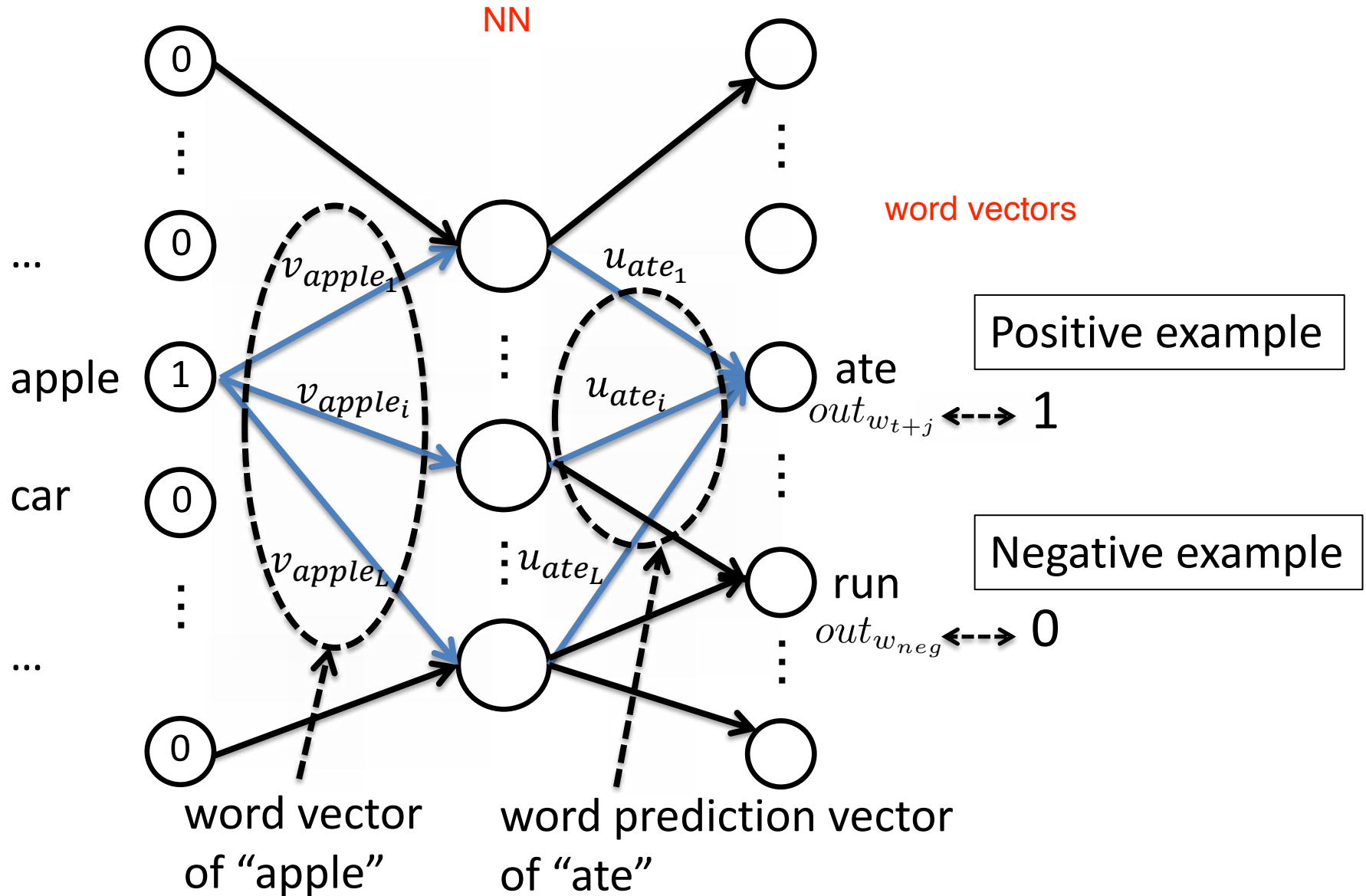
Word2vec (Skip-gram)



Pseudo
negative
examples

friend	run	company	ink	mountain
play	flow	desk	say	run
feature	center	human	light	swallow
\vdots	\vdots	\vdots	\vdots	\vdots

Word2vec (Skip-gram)



Problems of Word2vec

- Sense ambiguities
 - One vector is defined for a word
 - Contextualized embeddings
 - ELMo [Peters+ 2018], BERT [Devlin+ 2019]
- Out-of-vocabulary words
 - Use of subwords
- A vector for a phrase or a document?
- Antonyms tend to have similar vectors

Summary

- What is word sense?
- Synonym / Homonym / Polysemic words
- Word sense disambiguation
 - Dictionary-based disambiguation
 - Unsupervised disambiguation
 - Supervised disambiguation