

Assignment 1: POS tagging

CS626: Speech and Natural Language Processing and the Web

Problem statement

- Implement a POS tagger in Python using approaches mentioned below
 - HMM
 - SVM
- Input and output
 - Dataset: **Brown corpus**
 - Output: Accuracy (5-fold cross-validation), confusion matrix, per POS accuracy
- Create a document which reports the following for all three implementations
 - Compare the accuracy of all three models
 - Draw confusion matrix
 - Report per POS accuracy (accuracy for each tag)
 - Observe the strength and weaknesses of each model with respect to particular POS tags
 - Perform detailed error analysis
 - Write a short paragraph on your learning.

Note

1. Use 5-fold cross-validation for reporting all accuracies
2. HMM and SVM need to be implemented from scratch

Dataset

- Brown corpus (Available in NLTK library) (http://www.nltk.org/nltk_data/)

Submission instructions

- The assignment is to be submitted in groups of 3 (Same group for every assignment and project)
- The submission link will be created on moodle to submit the assignment
- Only one person from the group with the lowest id is supposed to make the submission
- The name of the folder should be <id1_id2_id3>_Assignment1.zip
 - The uncompressed folder should contain three folders (HMM, SVM, readme and a report in pdf format <id1_id2_id3_Assignment1>.pdf)
 - Each folder (for each approach) should contain their respective code files
 - The readme should contain details about the tools, versions, pre-requisites if any, and how to run the code for all three approaches.
 - The report should contain all things mentioned in the problem statement.
 - Accuracies, Per POS accuracies, confusion matrix, error analysis, strengths, and weaknesses of each model with respect to particular POS tags, and a short paragraph on your learning.

Deadline

No-Hard deadline (Continuous Evaluation). First Evaluation date will be announced soon.

References

- <https://www.nltk.org/book/ch05.html>
- <https://pythonprogramming.net/svm-in-python-machine-learning-tutorial/> (Follow the series, learn, don't copy the code)
- We shall check for code copying. Please be aware of neither copying codes from Git or amongst yourselves.