

MORPHOLOGY AND THE FST

NATURAL LANGUAGE PROCESSING - CS 322.00

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AGENDA

- Presentation – Macallan Brown, Dan Meyer
- Questions
- Minimum Edit Distance

MINIMUM EDIT DISTANCE

- Measure of string similarity – “how alike” are two strings
- Defined by the minimum number of editing operations needed to transform one string into another.
- Three operations available – *substitution, deletion, insertion*
- Cost associated with each operation – can be anything
 - Levenshtein Edit distance is typically 1 for deletion, insertion and 2 for substitution, but can be anything

MINIMUM EDIT DISTANCE

- Minimum edit distance dependent on *alignment*

• <i>Pascale</i>	P	*	a	s	c	a	*	l	e	*
• <i>Yeardley</i>	Y	e	a	*	*	r	d	l	e	y
	s	i		d	d	s	i		i	
										operation list

- Minimum Edit Distance = ?

MINIMUM EDIT DISTANCE

- Multiple alignments possible
- Multiple minimum alignments possible (alignments yielding the minimum edit distance)
 - Alignments will be important for speech recognition and machine translation
- Determining minimum edit distance (and all associated paths) requires construction minimum edit distance matrix

$$D[i, j] = \min \begin{cases} D[i-1, j] + 1 \\ D[i, j-1] + 1 \\ D[i-1, j-1] + \begin{cases} 2; & \text{if } source[i] \neq target[j] \\ 0; & \text{if } source[i] = target[j] \end{cases} \end{cases}$$

MINIMUM EDIT DISTANCE

Src\Tar	#	e	x	e	c	u	t	i	o	n
#	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
i	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	6	7	8
n	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	7	8	7
t	3	4	5	6	7	8	7	8	9	8
e	4	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	9
n	5	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	10
t	6	5	6	7	8	9	8	9	10	11
i	7	6	7	8	9	10	9	8	9	10
o	8	7	8	9	10	11	10	9	8	9
n	9	8	9	10	11	12	11	10	9	8

	#	e	x	e	c	u	t	i	o	n	
#		0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
i	1	↖↗2	↖↗3	↖↗4	↖↗5	↖↗6	↖↗7	↖↗6	↖↗7	↖↗8	
n	2	↖↗3	↖↗4	↖↗5	↖↗6	↖↗7	↖↗8	↖↗7	↖↗8	↖↗7	
t	3	↖↗4	↖↗5	↖↗6	↖↗7	↖↗8	↖↗7	↖↗8	↖↗9	↖↗8	
e	4	↖↗3	↖↗4	↖↗5	↖↗6	↖↗7	↖↗8	↖↗9	↖↗10	↖↗9	
n	5	↖↗4	↖↗5	↖↗6	↖↗7	↖↗8	↖↗9	↖↗10	↖↗11	↖↗10	
t	6	↖↗5	↖↗6	↖↗7	↖↗8	↖↗9	↖↗8	↖↗9	↖↗10	↖↗11	
i	7	↖↗6	↖↗7	↖↗8	↖↗9	↖↗10	↖↗9	↖↗8	↖↗9	↖↗10	
o	8	↖↗7	↖↗8	↖↗9	↖↗10	↖↗11	↖↗10	↖↗9	↖↗8	↖↗9	
n	9	↖↗8	↖↗9	↖↗10	↖↗11	↖↗12	↖↗11	↖↗10	↖↗9	↖↗8	

- Dynamic Programming (table driven algorithm)
- Maintenance of 'back trace' to minimum edit path(s)
 - Contiguous cells indicate deletion (here horizontal), insertion (here, vertical), substitution (diagonal in all cases)
- Minimum edit distance is cell [source length, target length] ([n, m])