

# It's time to build a model

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# It's time to build a model

- Always a good approach to start with a very simple model
- Gives a sense of how challenging the problem is
- Many more things can go wrong in complex models
- How much signal can we pull out using basic methods?

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- Train basic model on numeric data only
  - Want to go from raw data to predictions quickly
- Multi-class logistic regression
  - Train classifier on each label separately and use those to predict
- Format predictions and save to csv
- Compute log loss score

# Splitting the multi-class dataset

- Recall: Train-test split
  - Will not work here
  - May end up with labels in test set that never appear in training set
- Solution: `StratifiedShuffleSplit`
  - Only works with a single target variable
  - We have many target variables
  - `multilabel_train_test_split()`

# Splitting the data

```
data_to_train = df[NUMERIC_COLUMNS].fillna(-1000)
labels_to_use = pd.get_dummies(df[LABELS])
X_train, X_test, y_train, y_test = multilabel_train_test_split(
    data_to_train,
    labels_to_use,
    size=0.2, seed=123)
```

# Training the model

```
from sklearn.linear_model import LogisticRegression
from sklearn.multiclass import OneVsRestClassifier
clf = OneVsRestClassifier(LogisticRegression())
clf.fit(X_train, y_train)
```

- `OneVsRestClassifier` :
  - Treats each column of y independently
  - Fits a separate classifier for each of the columns

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# Making predictions

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# Predicting on holdout data

```
holdout = pd.read_csv('HoldoutData.csv', index_col=0)
holdout = holdout[NUMERIC_COLUMNS].fillna(-1000)
predictions = clf.predict_proba(holdout)
```

- If `.predict()` was used instead:
  - Output would be 0 or 1
  - Log loss penalizes being confident and wrong
  - Worse performance compared to `.predict_proba()`

# Submitting your predictions as a csv

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

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# Format and submit predictions

```
prediction_df = pd.DataFrame(columns=pd.get_dummies(df[LABELS],
                                                    prefix_sep='__').columns,
                             index=holdout.index,
                             data=predictions)

prediction_df.to_csv('predictions.csv')
score = score_submission(pred_path='predictions.csv')
```

# DrivenData leaderboard

	User or team	Public 	Private 	Timestamp 	Trend 	# Entries 
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	Abhishek	0.4409	0.4388	Jan. 6, 2015, 4:09 p.m.		71
	giba	0.4551	0.4534	Jan. 5, 2015, 4:52 p.m.		34
	trev	0.5054	0.5001	Jan. 3, 2015, 2 a.m.		23
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	bamine	0.5344	0.5298	Dec. 12, 2014, 12:52 a.m.		39
	futuristic reality	0.5512	0.5477	Nov. 24, 2014, 8:54 a.m.		22
	JesseBuesking	0.5584	0.5556	Jan. 6, 2015, 4:51 p.m.		15
	mkrump	0.5817	0.5769	Jan. 3, 2015, 5:12 p.m.		57
	joel314	0.5806	0.5772	Dec. 10, 2014, 4:41 p.m.		63

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# A very brief introduction to NLP

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# A very brief introduction to NLP

- Data for NLP:
  - Text, documents, speech, ...
- Tokenization
  - Splitting a string into segments
  - Store segments as list
- Example: "Natural Language Processing"
  - -> ["Natural", "Language", "Processing"]



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# Bag of words representation

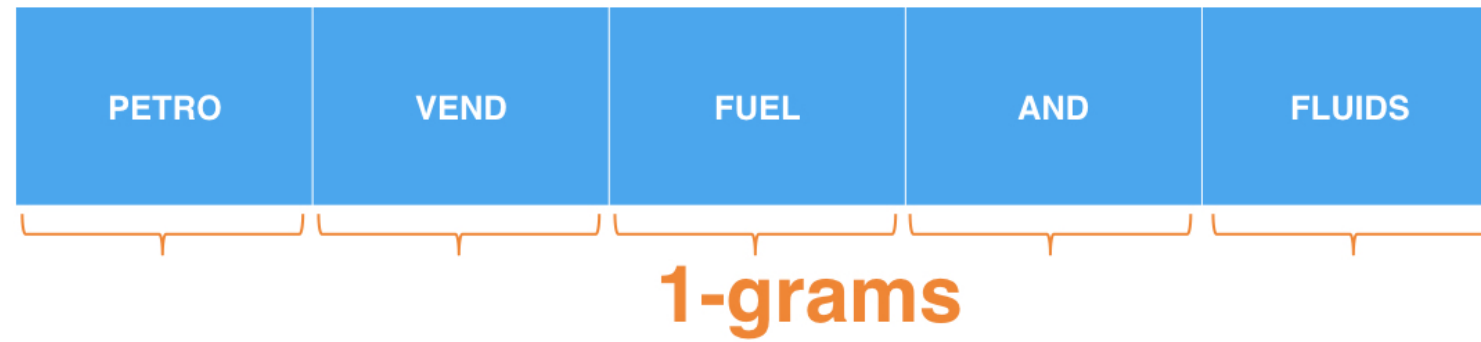
- Count the number of times a particular token appears
- "Bag of words"
  - Count the number of times a word was pulled out of the bag
- This approach discards information about word order
  - "Red, not blue" is the same as "blue, not red"



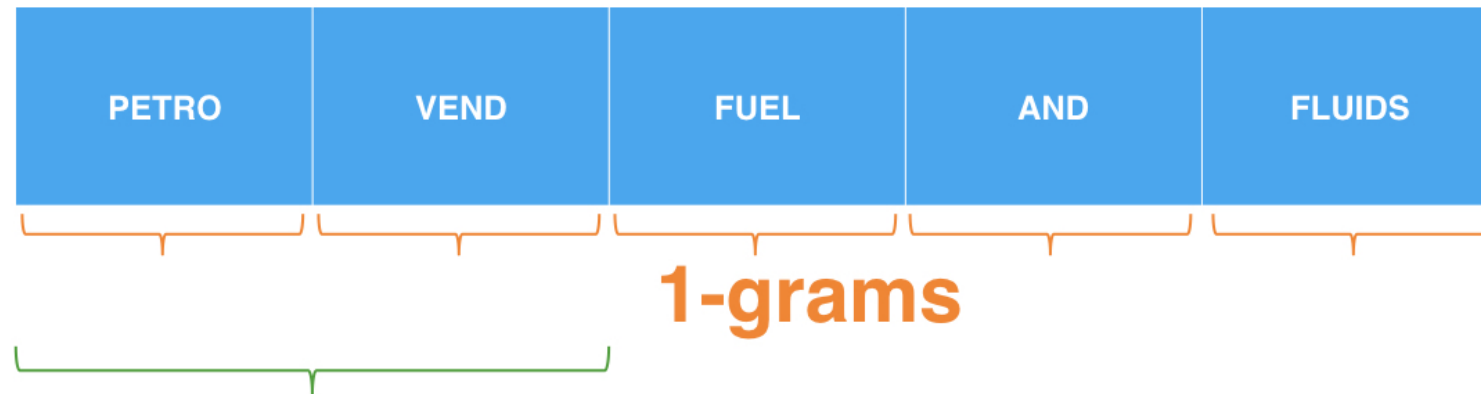
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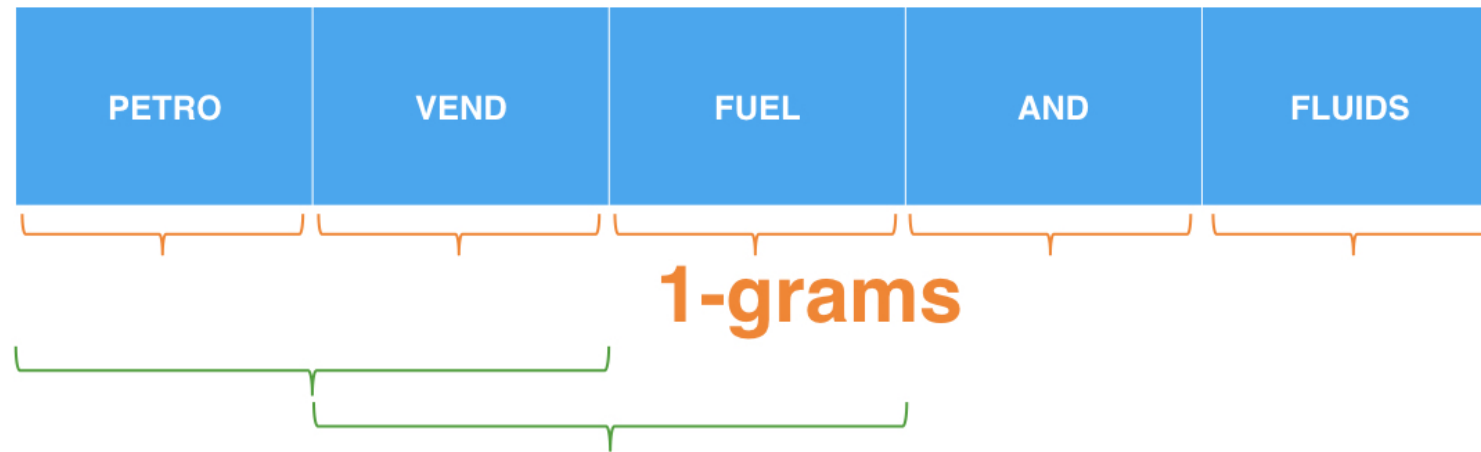
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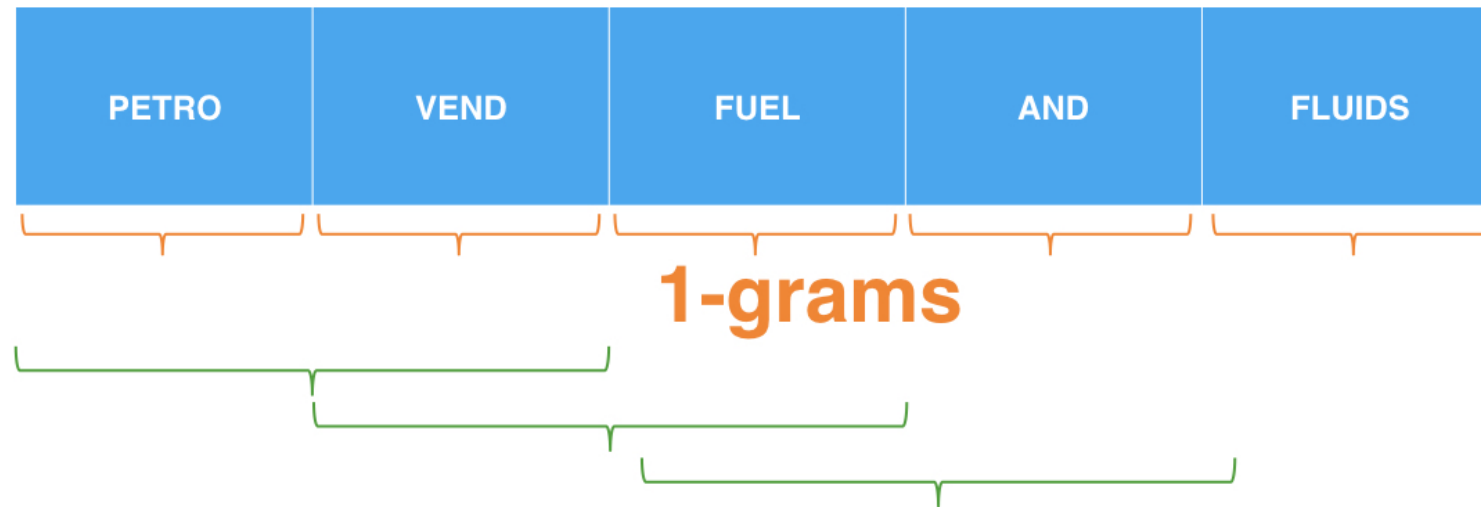
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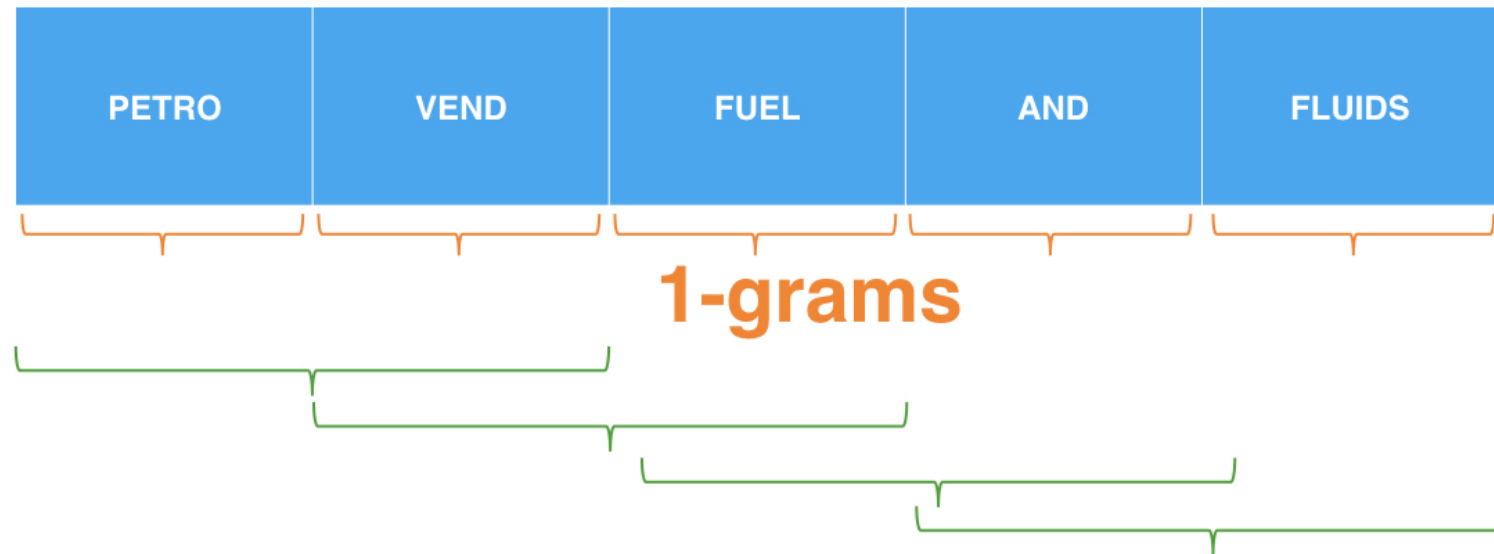
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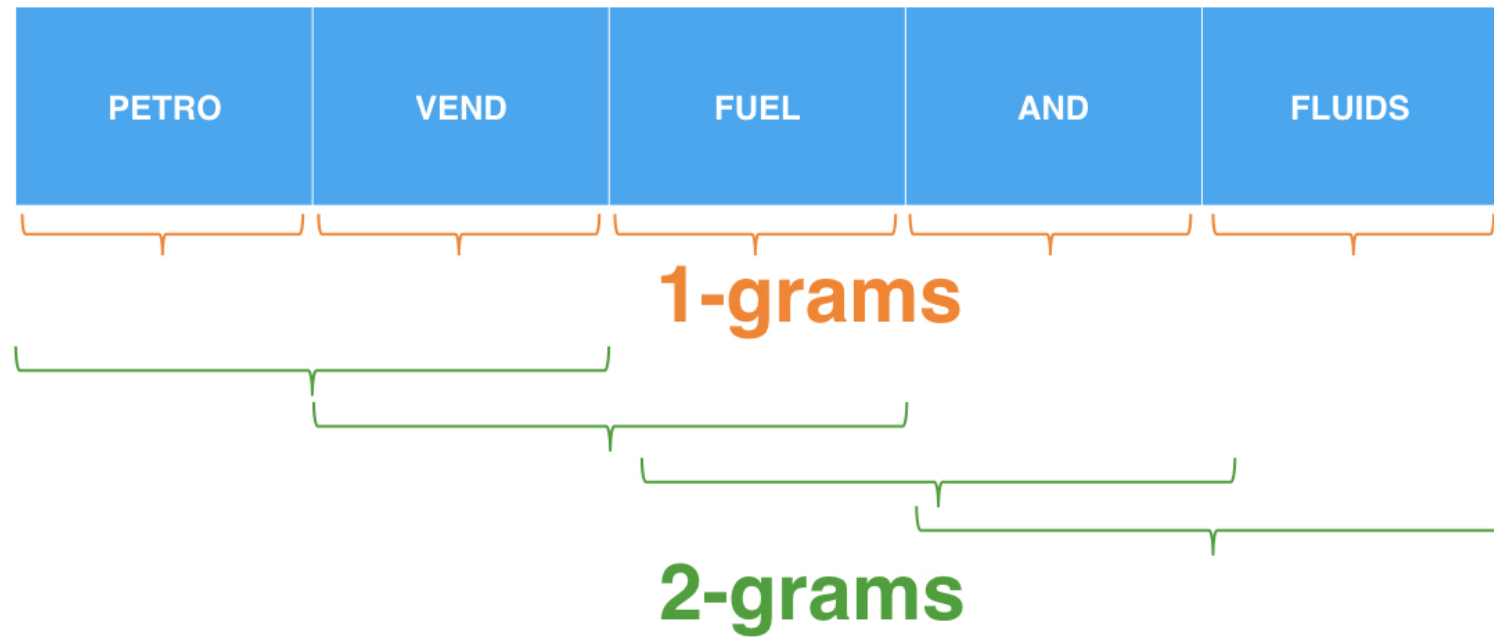
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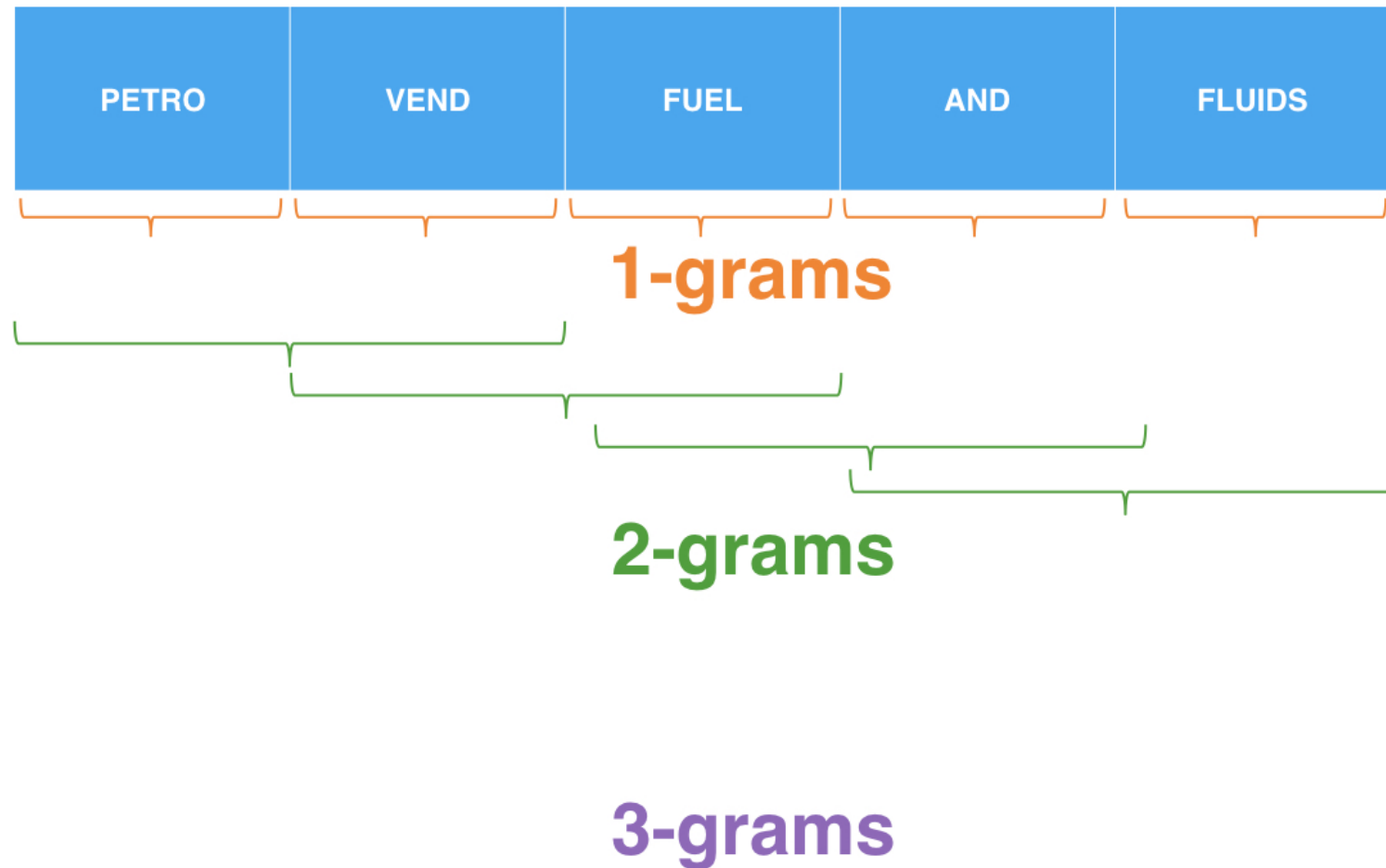
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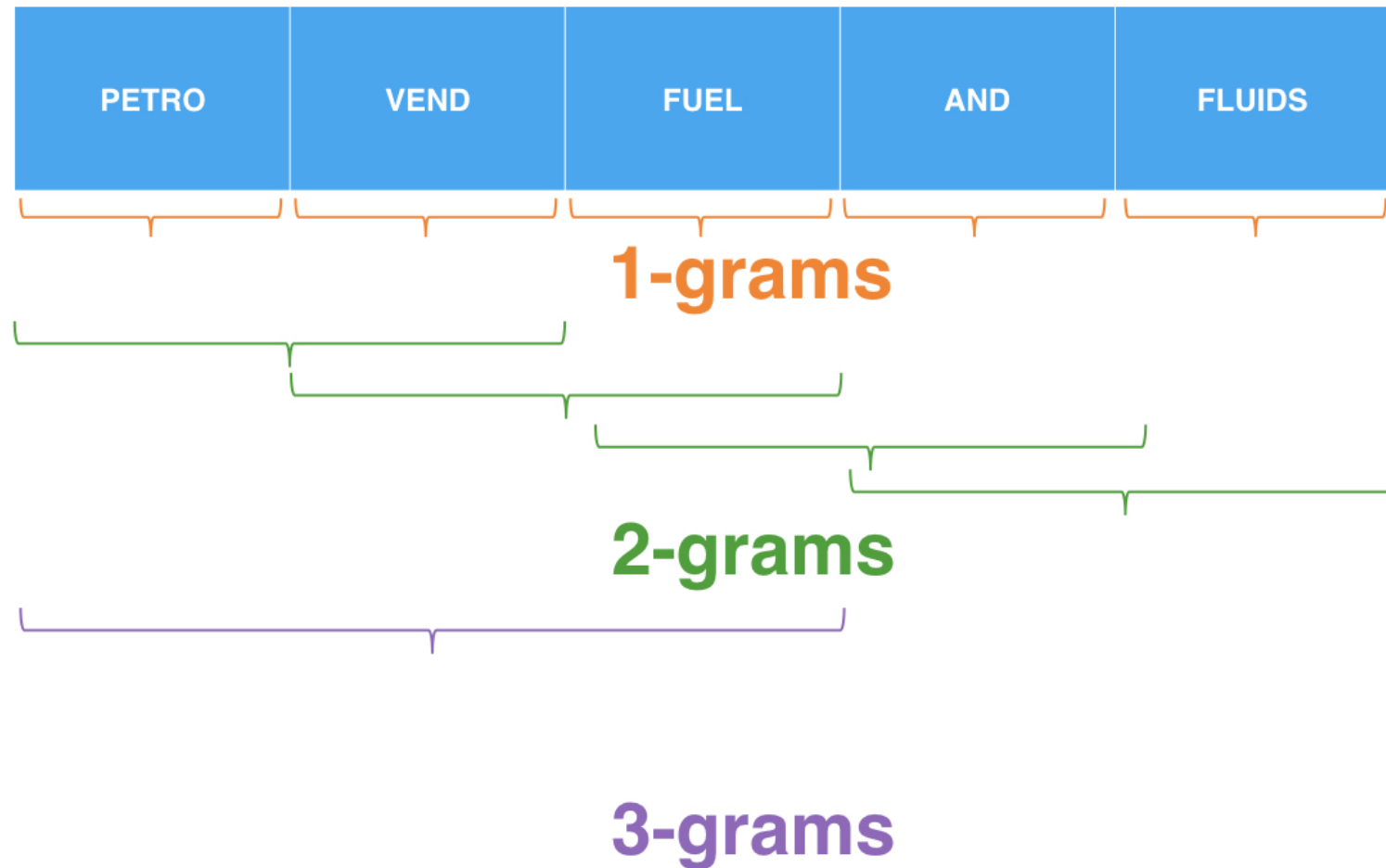


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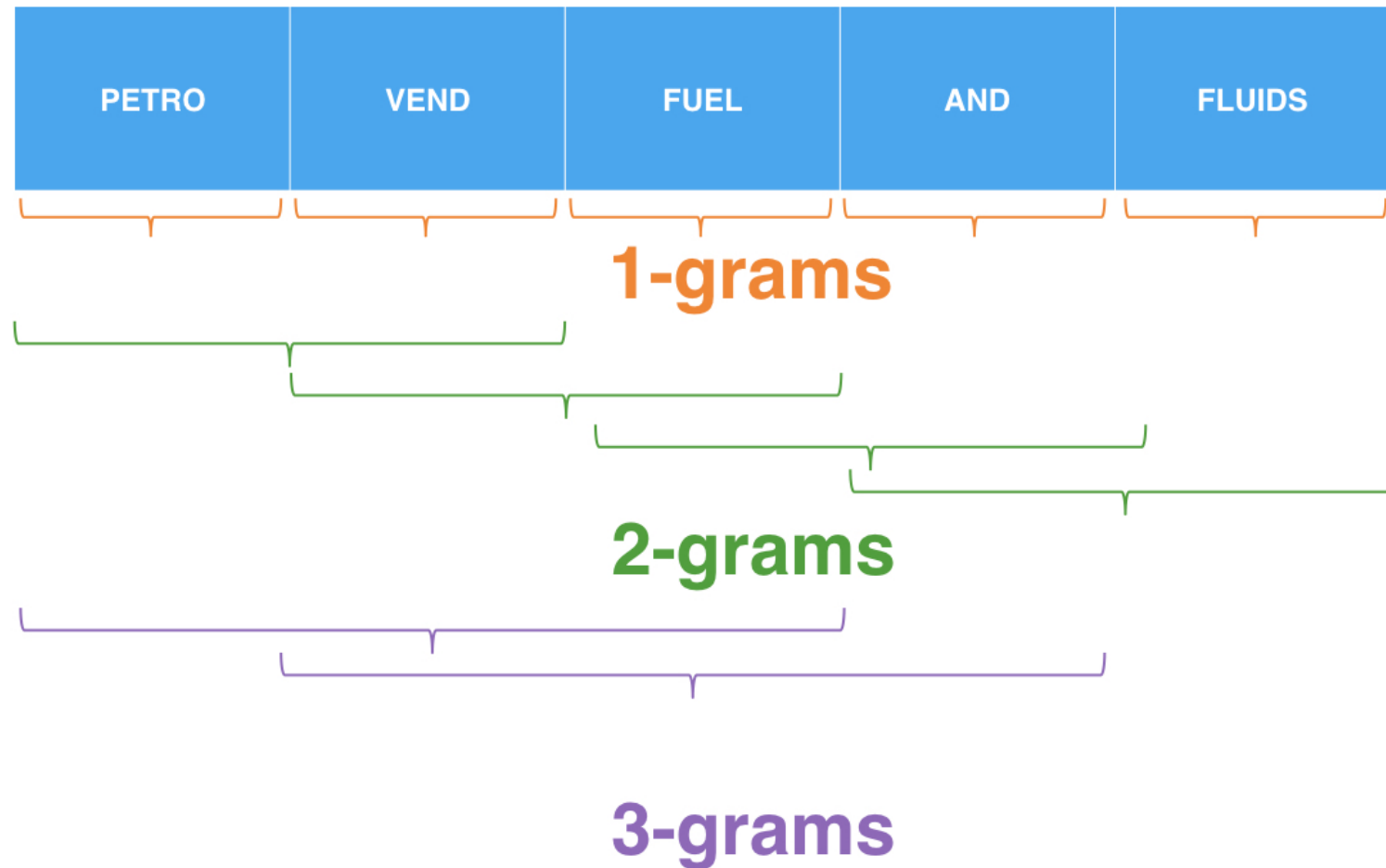




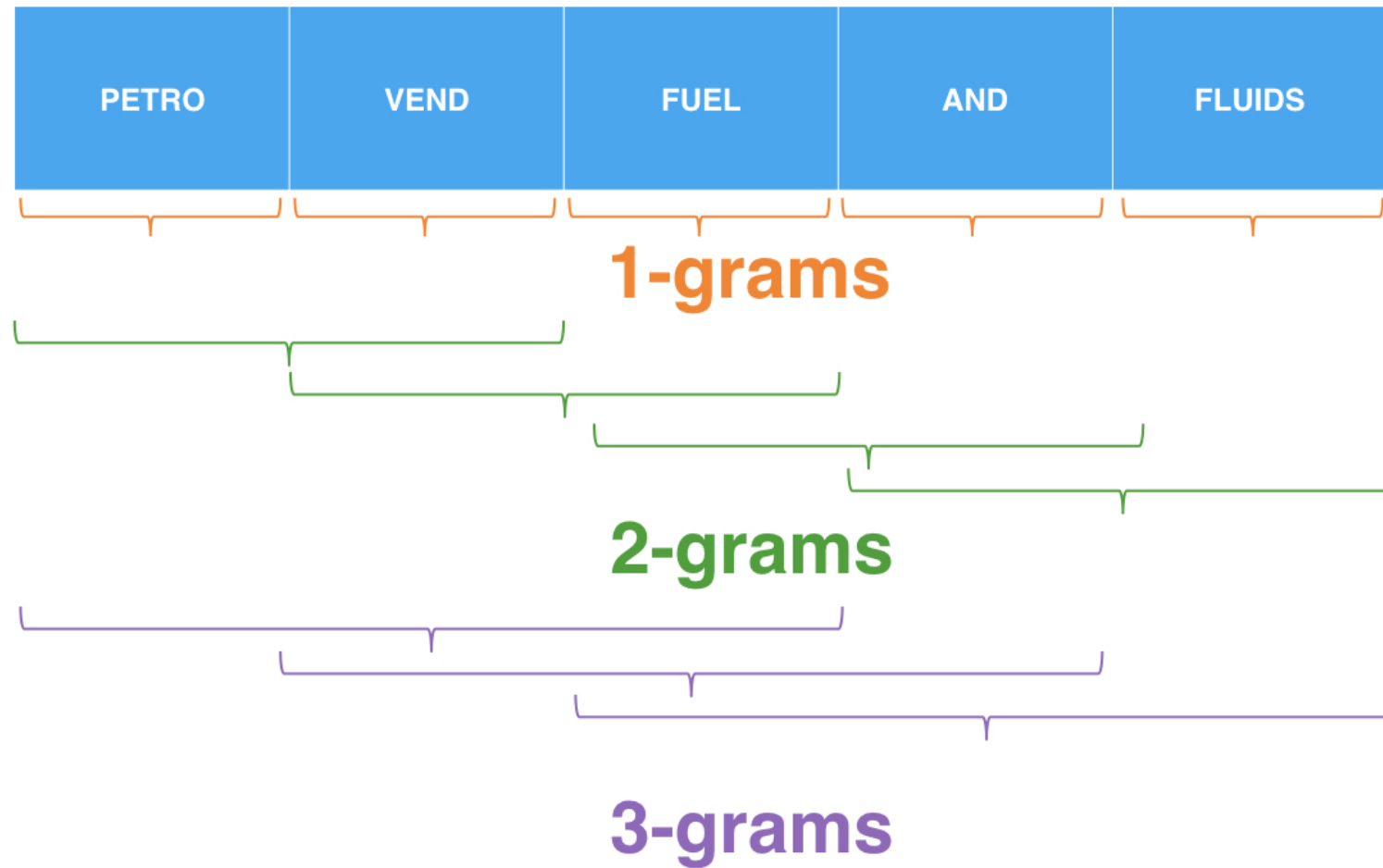
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# Representing text numerically

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# Representing text numerically

- Bag-of-words
  - Simple way to represent text in machine learning
  - Discards information about grammar and word order
  - Computes frequency of occurrence

# Scikit-learn tools for bag-of-words

- `CountVectorizer()`
  - Tokenizes all the strings
  - Builds a "vocabulary"
  - Counts the occurrences of each token in the vocabulary

# Using CountVectorizer() on column of main dataset

```
from sklearn.feature_extraction.text import CountVectorizer
TOKENS_BASIC = '\\\\S+(?=\\\\s+)'
df.Program_Description.fillna('', inplace=True)
vec_basic = CountVectorizer(token_pattern=TOKENS_BASIC)
```



# Using CountVectorizer() on column of main dataset

```
vec_basic.fit(df.Program_Description)
```

```
CountVectorizer(analyzer='word', binary=False, decode_error='strict',  
                dtype=<class 'numpy.int64'>, encoding='utf-8', input='content',  
                lowercase=True, max_df=1.0, max_features=None, min_df=1,  
                ngram_range=(1, 1), preprocessor=None, stop_words=None,  
                strip_accents=None, token_pattern='\\S+(?=\\s+)',  
                tokenizer=None, vocabulary=None)
```

```
msg = 'There are {} tokens in Program_Description if tokens are any non-whitespace'  
print(msg.format(len(vec_basic.get_feature_names())))
```

```
There are 157 tokens in Program_Description if tokens are any non-whitespace
```

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