

Assignment 3

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CP to DP: Approach

We did our implementation using the Allen Parser. As described in class, the method was to find the head word in each sub-tree and then propagate it upwards. The head was found using rule basis. We compiled a comprehensive list of rules to determine the head everytime. Finally, if suppose, the tags are not matching any of the current rules, then we used the principle that English is Head initial language and hence propagated the first word of the sub-tree as the head upwards and rest all as modifiers. In this case, we keep the relation of head to modifier as "R".

Rule List

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Rules["VB CC VB"] = {[0],[[0, 1, 'cc'],[0, 2, 'conj']]}
Rules["VBP NP"] = {[0],[[0, 1, 'dobj']]}
Rules["VBP S SBAR"] = {[0],[[0, 1, 'xcomp'],[0, 2, 'dep']]}
Rules["VBG NP"] = {[0],[[0, 1, 'dobj']]}
Rules["NNP NNP"] = {[0],[[0, 1, 'dobj']]}
Rules["NP JJ"] = {[1],[[1, 0, 'npadvmod']]}
Rules["CD NNS"] = {[1],[[1, 0, 'num']]}
Rules["NP ADJP"] = {[0],[[0, 1, 'amod']]}
Rules["DT NN"] = {[1],[[1, 0, 'det']]}
Rules["DT JJ NN"] = {[2],[[2, 1, 'amod'],[2, 0, 'det']]}
Rules["NNP CD"] = {[0],[[0, 1, 'num']]}
Rules["IN NP"] = {[0],[[0, 1, 'pobj']]}
Rules["VB NP PP NP"] = {[0],[[0, 1, 'pobj'], [0, 2, 'prep'], [0, 3, 'tmod']]}
Rules["MD VP"] = {[1],[[1, 0, 'aux']]}
Rules["VBZ VP"] = {[1],[[1, 0, 'aux']]}
Rules["VBZ NP"] = {[0],[[0, 1, 'dobj']]}
Rules["JJ NNS"] = {[1],[[1, 0, 'amod']]}
Rules["VB NP"] = {[0],[[0, 1, 'dobj']]}
Rules["NP VP"] = {[1],[[1, 0, 'nsubj']]}
Rules["DT JJ NN NN"] = {[3],[[3, 0, 'det'], [3, 1, 'amod'], [3, 2, 'amod']]}
Rules["NP NP"] = {[0],[[0, 1, 'nmod']]}
Rules["PP NP"] = {[0],[[0, 1, 'pobj']]}
Rules["VBD NP"] = {[0],[[0, 1, 'nobj']]}
Rules["TO VP"] = {[1],[[1, 0, 'aux']]}
Rules["VBP S"] = {[0],[[0, 1, 'xcomp']]}
Rules["DT NNS"] = {[1],[[1, 0, 'det']]}
Rules["VBD PP"] = {[0],[[0, 1, 'prep']]}
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Figure: The rules list

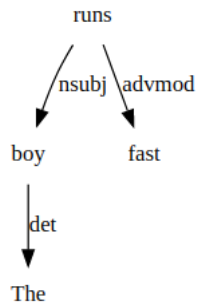
Algorithm

- 1 Get the constituent Parse tree from Allen Parser
- 2 Initialise a dependency parse tree with the words as nodes.
- 3 Get a sub tree of height 3 from bottom of Constituent Parse tree.
- 4 Find the head of this subtree from the rules as shown in Image.
- 5 Update the dependency parse tree by making an edge from the head to modifiers found from above step, as well as, updating the edge names, by the relations got by the Rule list.
- 6 Change the constituent parse tree by replacing the subtree by the head.
- 7 Go to step 3 and repeat until no subtree of height 3 is found.

Results

Sentence: The boy runs fast

Ours



Allen Parser

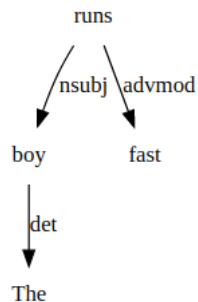
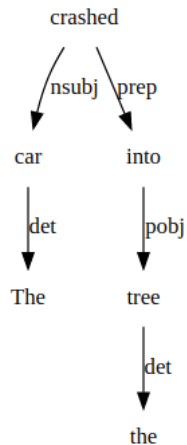


Figure: Left:Ours, Right:Allen Parser

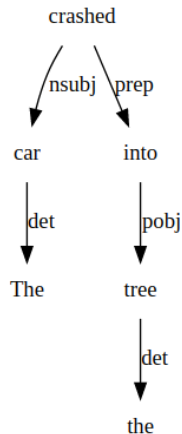
Results

Sentence: The car crashed into the tree

Ours



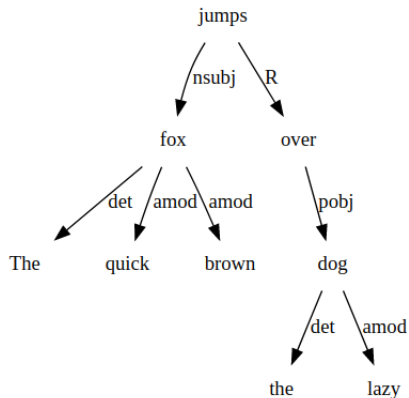
Allen Parser



Results: Ours better

Sentence: The quick brown fox jumps over the lazy dog

Ours



Allen Parser

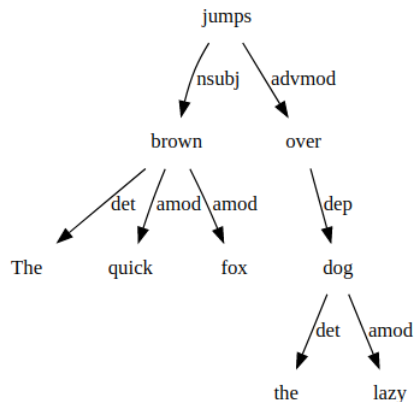


Figure: Left:Ours, Right:Allen Parser

Error Analysis

The Allen Parser has lots of inaccuracies and doesn't give correct dependency parse tree always. Hence we manually checked our accuracy with Stanford CoreNLP parse trees for various sentences. We divided the analysis into 2 parts: 1) Accuracy on 3-4 word length sentences, 2) 5-9 word length sentences. Following are the number of sentences on which it gave correct parse trees.

Number of words	Number of sentences tested	Number of correct parse trees
3-4	10	9
5-8	10	6

Table: Error analysis of CP to DP conversion

Since we have written a limited number of rules, hence sometimes for higher number of words cases, our algorithm produces an incorrect parse tree.

Strengths and Limitations

Strengths

- Many a times, our parser performs better than Allen parser.
- The time taken for producing the parse tree is minimal.
- With enough time given, our parser can produce accurate results if all rules are listed down.

Limitations

- Since its rule based, we can only type in limited set of rules, and hence cant cover all possibilities at any given day.
- Further, since we consider only a subtree of height 3 at any moment, and not care about the effect of far away words, this limits our performance further.
- Also many a times, allen parser itself gives a wrong constituent parse tree, in that case, our final generated dependency parse tree is also wrong.

DP \rightarrow CP : Approach

Implemented this using spacy module. Used this because it directly gives each and every word's parent's, children, pos in a dependency parse tree in the form of tokens which makes the recursion part much easier.

Now given a recursion tree we first find out the location of the root as the left part of the root will be a noun phrase and the right part will constitute the verb phrase. Let the root's index be i .

Now that we have separated the sentence into two parts NP($0 - i-1$) and VP($i-n$), we recursively find out the constituency parse tree.

Algorithm

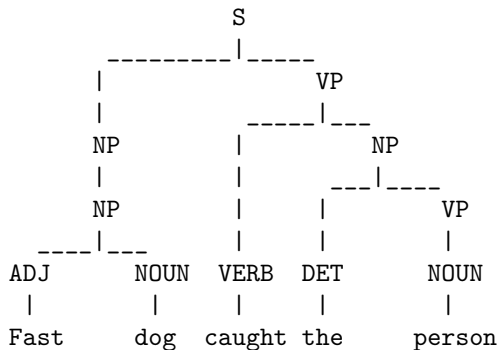
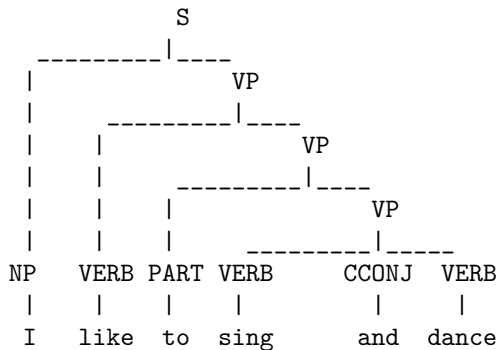
Noun phrase

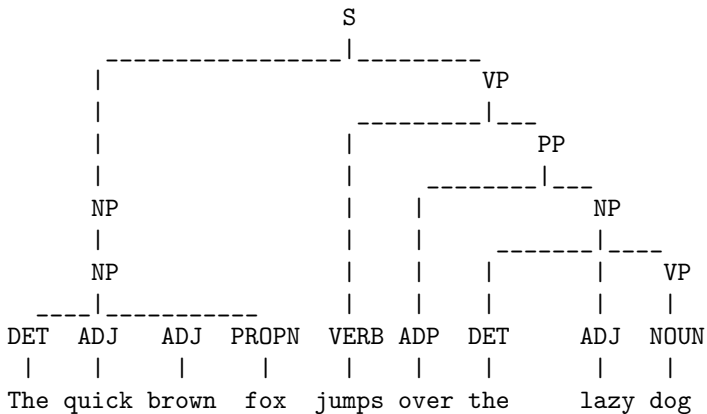
- Select "nsubj" dependency and call NP(nsubj)
- Let's say our function is NP(word).
- The base case is:- No child Return `nlTK.Tree(word.pos_,[word.text])`
- If it is punctuation we ignore it
- Recursion:- For all the children of the word if `child.i > word.i` :-
`right_tree.append(NP(child))` else :-
`left_tree.append(NP(child))`
- Return `nlTK.Tree(L,merge(left_tree,right_tree))`
- Where L is decided by label of the first word.

Verb Phrase

- Select "root" dependency and call VP(root)
- Let's say our function is VP(word).
- The base case is:- No child Return `nlTK.Tree(word.pos_,[word.text])`
- If it is punctuation we ignore it
- Recursion:- For all the children of the word if `child.i > word.i` :-
`right_tree.append(VP(child))` elif `(child.dep_ == 'aux')`:- `left_tree.append(VP(child))`
- Return `nlTK.Tree(L,merge(left_tree,right_tree))`
- Where L is decided by POS of the first word.

Results





Error Analysis

Same sentences that were used for CP to DP have been used here.

Number of words	Number of sentences tested	Number of correct parse tress
3-4	10	8
5-8	10	4

Table: Error analysis of DP to CP conversion

The most common mistakes are when the sentence is in passive voice, the nsubj dependency comes after the verb or the nsubj is completely missing from the sentence.

Limitations Not yet able to convert when nsubj does not come before the verb.

Project-Description

Topic : Machine translation for the dataset English-German WMT 2014 given the condition that we have to minimize the time complexity rather than improving the accuracy.

Idea : We would be using the Adversarial training method as a regulariser to improve our performance, as proposed in the paper “Improving Neural Language Modeling via Adversarial Training” on the RNNSearch model of “Neural Machine Translation by Jointly Learning to Align and Translate”.

Slides : <https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/184n3IbMHTDuZHTcpDqberSghMQt2irqPhWTXNA17yvo/edit?usp=sharing>

Project - Progress

We have completed the following things:

- Reviewed the relevant literature required for the project
- Created a baseline model inspired from the RNNSearch Model in PyTorch
- Since Google Colab doesn't have enough resources to run the baseline model on the WMT14 en-de dataset, we are currently using the Multi30K en-de dataset to check the efficacy of the model

Things to be done:-

- Implement the BLEU score function to get an idea of how well the model is performing and conduct an extensive ablation study to get better results while keeping the model complexity as simple as possible.
- We will implement the Adeversarial MLE training method by the end of this week and compare the performance of the model with and without it.
- We are searching for machines where we can run the WMT14 dataset. Once available, we will start testing our model using the WMT14 dataset.

Project - Baseline Model

We have used cross entropy (and perplexity) as a metric for our baseline model. We will incorporate the BLEU score in the model soon. Since the WMT14 de-en dataset has around 4.5M training examples in it, Google Colab is unable to run such a large dataset. Hence we test our baseline on the Multi30K dataset which has only 29000 sentences in training. We achieved the following results on the baseline model after running it for 10 epochs using the Adam optimizer with $lr=10^{-3}$ with batch size = 8, cross entropy as the loss function -

- Best Validation Loss = 3.135; Best Validation Perplexity(PPL) = 22.978
- Test Loss = 3.178; Test Perplexity(PPL) = 24.004 (using model with best validation score)

Problems faced till now

Epoch: 01	Time: 3m 9s		
	Train Loss: 3.730	Train PPL: 41.687	
	Val. Loss: 3.395	Val. PPL: 29.818	
Epoch: 02	Time: 3m 10s		
	Train Loss: 2.639	Train PPL: 13.993	
	Val. Loss: 3.135	Val. PPL: 22.978	
Epoch: 03	Time: 3m 10s		
	Train Loss: 2.215	Train PPL: 9.164	
	Val. Loss: 3.165	Val. PPL: 23.680	
Epoch: 04	Time: 3m 9s		
	Train Loss: 1.952	Train PPL: 7.041	
	Val. Loss: 3.216	Val. PPL: 24.921	
Epoch: 05	Time: 3m 11s		
	Train Loss: 1.788	Train PPL: 5.979	
	Val. Loss: 3.342	Val. PPL: 28.267	
Epoch: 06	Time: 3m 10s		
	Train Loss: 1.681	Train PPL: 5.370	
	Val. Loss: 3.458	Val. PPL: 31.740	
Epoch: 07	Time: 3m 9s		
	Train Loss: 1.619	Train PPL: 5.047	
	Val. Loss: 3.561	Val. PPL: 35.215	
Epoch: 08	Time: 3m 10s		
	Train Loss: 1.577	Train PPL: 4.841	
	Val. Loss: 3.545	Val. PPL: 34.624	
Epoch: 09	Time: 3m 9s		
	Train Loss: 1.550	Train PPL: 4.712	
	Val. Loss: 3.627	Val. PPL: 37.591	
Epoch: 10	Time: 3m 10s		
	Train Loss: 1.547	Train PPL: 4.699	
	Val. Loss: 3.743	Val. PPL: 42.212	

As can be observed, after 2-3 epochs the model essentially overfits on the training dataset and hence the validation loss starts increasing again. We are hoping that adding the adversarial mle training will help alleviate this. There is also another method that we found called the "Partial Shuffle" which looks promising and we can look into this also if we check all our boxes in time.

Figure: Overfitting in baseline model