

# Introduction to Natural Language Processing

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# Agenda

- Natural Language Processing Quiz
- NLP and its applications
- Text Cleaning
- Bag of Words (BOW) model
- n-grams model
- Sentiment Analysis

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# Let's begin the discussion by answering a few questions on natural language processing (NLP) and text cleaning

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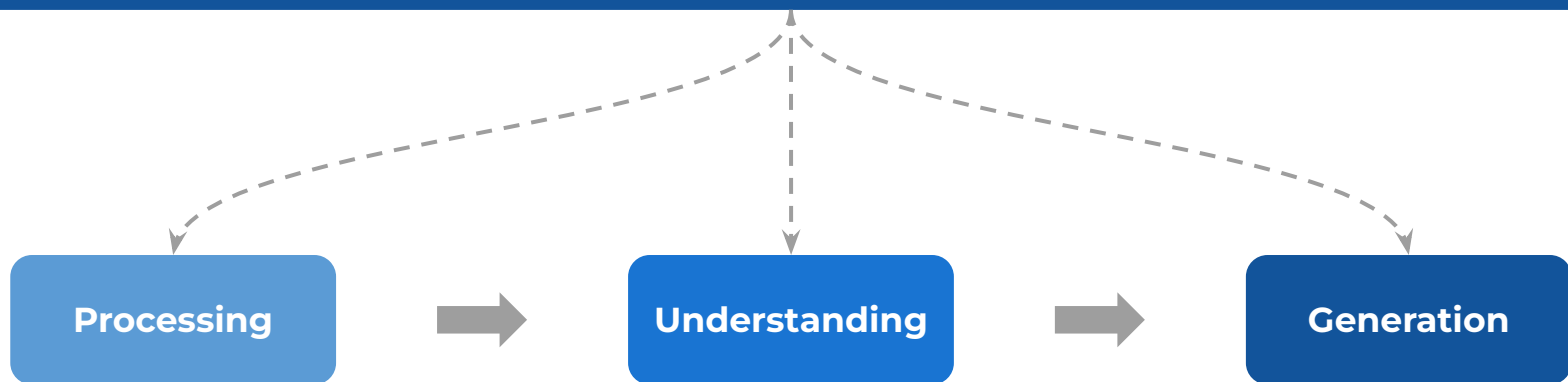
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# Natural Language Processing

Branch of artificial intelligence (AI) that deals with the interaction between machines and human languages

Aims to **automate the reading, interpretation, and understanding of human language**, also called natural language



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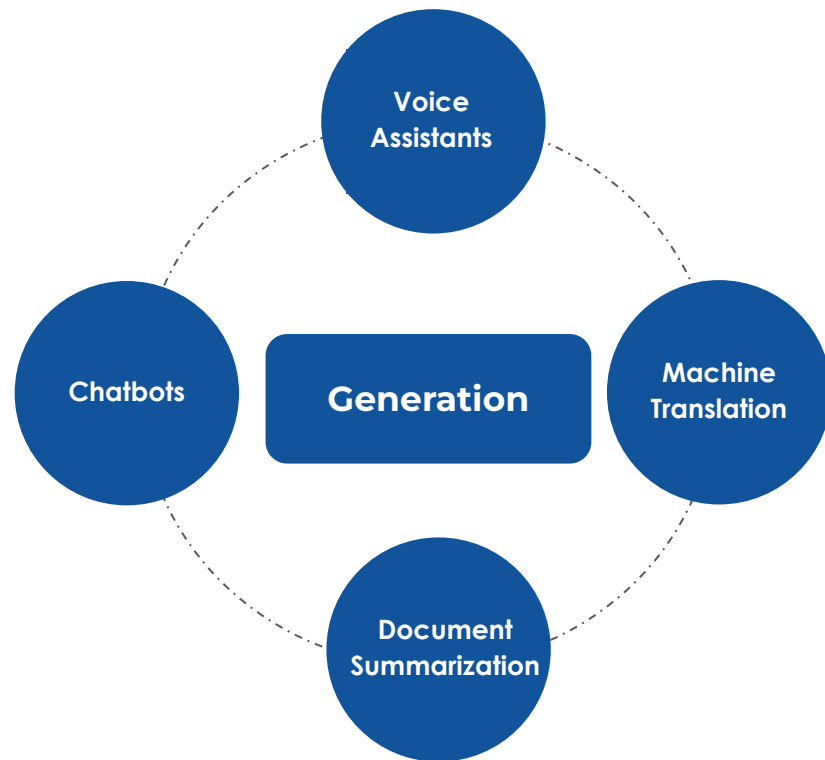
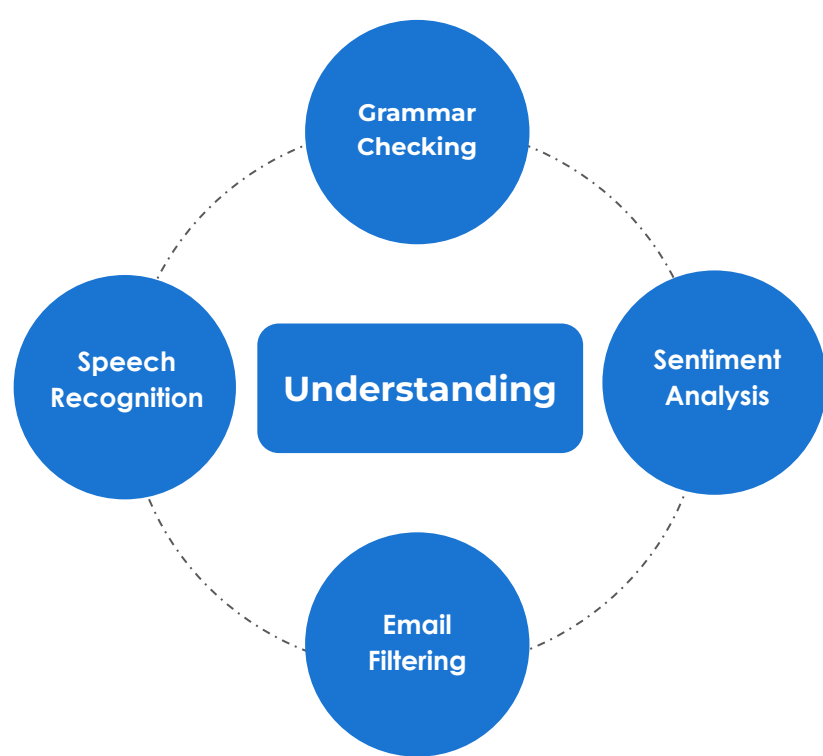
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# Applications of NLP



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Lowercasing

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Removal of Special Characters

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# Text Cleaning

Process of preparing and refining raw text data by removing noise, such as special characters, punctuation, stop words, and irrelevant symbols, to standardize text data

Improves the suitability of the data for analysis and modeling

## Stopword Removal

Removes common words like “and”, “the”, “is”, etc which often appears frequently and generally do not add ‘contextual value’ to the text

## Stemming

Converts the word into its root form, reducing it to its base or stem, to capture the core meaning

## Lowercasing

Converts all the words into lower case letters

## Remove special characters

Removes special characters like “, ”, !, @, etc

## Strip extra white spaces

Removes extra spaces between the words

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# Text Cleaning - Example

Text preprocessing is key in natural language processing (NLP). It involves refining raw text for machine understanding and analysis. This process includes eliminating redundant words, reducing words to their root form, standardizing text to lowercase, excluding symbols (!@#\$\$), ensuring clean spaces, and filtering out numerical characters 1234.

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# NLP and Text Cleaning Quiz

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What is the number of dimensions in the vector representation after applying the bag-of-words (BoW) model to all these sentences?

NOTE: Stopwords are not to be removed from the sentences.

A

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# Bag of Words (BoW) model

Represents text by **counting the frequency of unique words** in a document **without considering the order or structure** of the words

Creates a "bag" (or set) of words in a text corpus, ignoring grammar and word order

## Example:

Sentence	the	cat	jumped	dog	barked	chased
The cat jumped	1	1	1	0	0	0
The dog barked	1	0	0	1	1	0
The cat chased the dog	1	1	0	1	0	1

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# NLP and Text Cleaning Quiz

Words with high frequency are always considered to be stop words.

A

True

B

False

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# Stopwords

Words in any language which do not add much meaning to a sentence.

Can safely be ignored without sacrificing the meaning of the sentence.

## Example:

Consider you are analyzing a collection of documents related to cooking recipes.

The word "salt" might appear very frequently across these documents due to its significance in cooking.

However, "salt" will not be considered a stop word in this context because it carries essential meaning within the domain.

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# n-gram model

Similar to the BoW model but **considers sequences of 'n' consecutive words at a time** (called n-grams)

Takes into account the sequence, and through that, the context of words

## Example:

Sentence	the cat	cat jumped	the dog	dog barked	cat chased	chased the
The cat jumped	1	1	0	0	0	0
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# Sentiment Analysis

The process of analyzing a piece of text and categorizing it based on the context and emotions expressed within the text

In general, categorization is done as positive, negative, or neutral

Used extensively to analyze end-user feedback, gain insights on the sentiment of the user towards a product/service, and identify areas of improvement

## Example:

“The movie was fun, brisk, and imaginative” =>

**Positive**

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# Sentiment Analysis Approaches

## Sentiment Analysis

### Lexicon-based Approach

Uses predefined dictionaries (or lexicons) containing words and their associated sentiment labels

Each word in new, unseen text is compared against the lexicons to determine its sentiment label, and then the values are combined to get the prediction

### ML-based Approach

Involves training algorithms on labeled data (*text sample + associated sentiment label*) to learn patterns

The algorithm makes predictions about the sentiment of new, unseen text based on what it has learned from the training data

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