

→ Hyponymy:

- car is a hyponym of vehicle.
- dog is a hyponym of animal.
- mango is a hyponym of fruit.

→ Hypernymy: Conversely superordinate.

- vehicle is a hypernym of car.

→ Hyponymy more formally:

- Entailment: Sense A is a hyponym of sense B if being an A entails being a B.



Eg: Dog & Animal.

- Transitivity: A hyponym B of B hyponym of C entails A hyponym C.

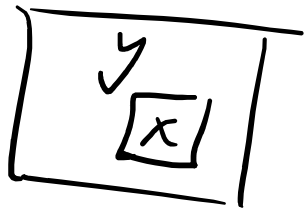
Ex: Black cat      Superman.      Kryptonian.

Eg: Clark Kent, Superman, Kryptonian.

→ Meronyms & Holonyms:

→ Meronymy: Asymmetric & Transitive

X is a meronym of Y if it denotes a part of Y.



→ The inverse relation is holonymy.

→ Meronym                      Holonym

→ Porch

→ House

The porch is meronym of House &  
House is holonym of Porch.

→ Wheel

→ Car

→ Leg

→ Chair

→ Nose

→ Face

→ WordNet:

→ A hierarchically organized lexical DB.

→ A machine-readable thesaurus & aspects of a dictionary.

POS	No. of Synsets
Noun	82115
Verb	13767
Adj	18156
Adv	3621

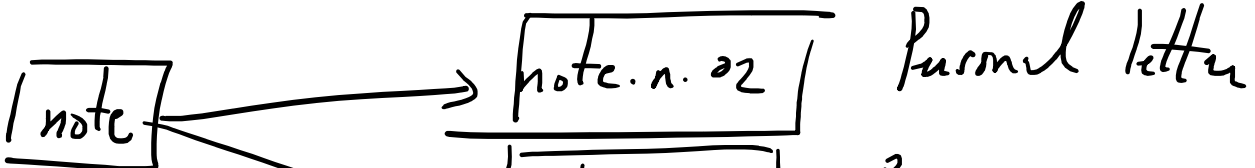
→ Synsets: Set of synonyms representing a sense.

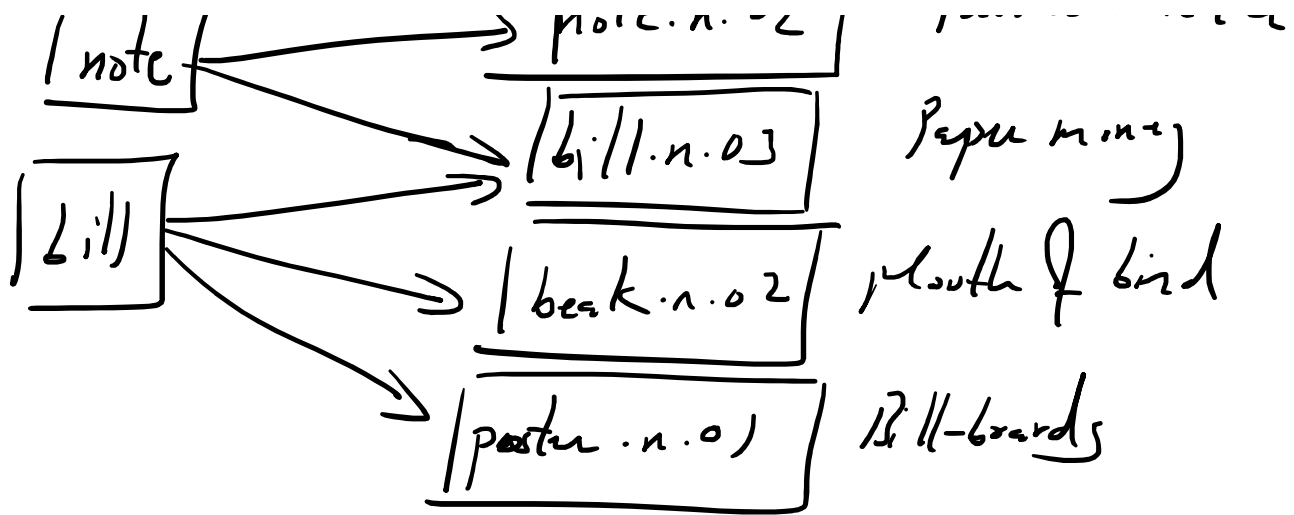
Eg: Chump as a noun: Person who is gullible.

{ chump<sup>1</sup>, fool<sup>2</sup>, gull<sup>3</sup>, patsy<sup>4</sup>, fall-guy<sup>5</sup>, sucker<sup>6</sup> }

→ Each of these senses share same glossary.

→ Lemma vs Synsets:





→ Wordnet Hierarchies:

→ Synonyms / Hyponyms:

SI:

mouse : rodent, gnawer

↳ placental mammal, eutherian mammal

↳ mammal

↳ vertebrate, craniate

↳ chordate

↳ animal

↳ organism

↳ living thing

↳ ~~int~~

↳ object

↳ physical entity  
↳ entity.

S2: mouse, computer mouse.

↳ electronic device

↳ device

↳ instrument

↳ artifact

↳ units

↳ objects

↳ entity.

→ Word Similarity:

→ Synonymy is a binary relation.

→ Looser metric (Word similarity or word distance).

→ Relations b/w senses:

↳ Bank<sup>2</sup> is similar to fund<sup>3</sup>

↳ Bank<sup>2</sup> is similar to slope<sup>5</sup>

Bank<sup>2</sup>  $\xrightarrow{\times}$  Fund<sup>3</sup>

Bank  $\times$  Fund

$s_1$  - Economics  $\rightarrow$   $s_1$  - Economics  
 $s_2$  - River  ~~$\rightarrow$~~

$\rightarrow$  Distributional Algorithms:

$\rightarrow$  Thesaurus-Based Algorithms:

$\rightarrow$  Thesaurus Based Word Similarity:

$\rightarrow$  Subsumption & Hypernymy Hierarchy.

$\rightarrow$  Similar words are near-synonyms.

Eg: car, gasoline: related, but not similar.  
car, bicycle: similar.

$\rightarrow$  Path-Based Similarity:

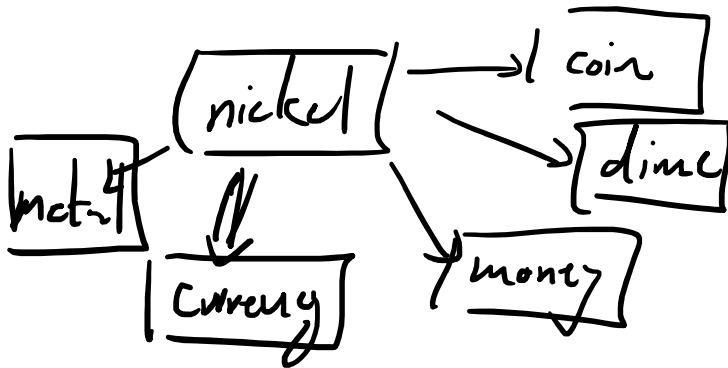
$\rightarrow$  Two words are similar if they are nearby in the hypernymy graph.

$\rightarrow$   $\text{pathlen}(c_1, c_2)$  = number of edges in shortest path (in hypernymy graph) b/w senses  $c_1$  &  $c_2$ .

$$\rightarrow \text{Sim}_{\text{path}}(c_1, c_2) = \frac{1}{1 + \text{pathlen}(c_1, c_2)}$$

$$\rightarrow \text{Sim}(w_1, w_2) = \max_{c_1 \in \text{senses}(w_1), c_2 \in \text{senses}(w_2)} \text{Sim}(c_1, c_2)$$

Shortest Path in the Hierarchy:



Leacock - Chodorow (L-C) Similarity

$$\rightarrow \text{Sim}_{LC}(c_1, c_2) = -\log(\text{pathlen}(c_1, c_2) / 2d)$$

$d$ : Maximum Depth of Hierarchy Tree.

Problems:

Lengths to different edges.

Concept Probabilities Model:

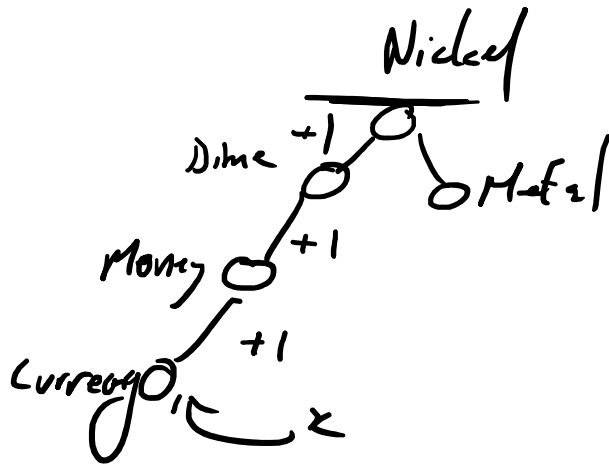
$\rightarrow$  For each concept (synsets)  $c$ , let  $p(c)$  be the prob that a randomly selected word in a corpus is an instance (hyponym) of  $c$ .

$$\rightarrow P(\text{Root}) = 1$$

Estimating:

$\rightarrow$  Counting "concept activations" in a corpus -

$\rightarrow$  Each occurrence counts.



Information Content: Axiomatic

$$IC(c) = -\log p(c)$$

$\uparrow$  concept  $\approx$  sense of word

$\rightarrow$  lowest Common Sub-Summar

$LCS(c_1, c_2)$  = the lowest node in the hierarchy tree that subsumes (hypernym) of  $c_1$  &  $c_2$ .

$\rightarrow$  Information Content  $IC$  as a similarity metric.



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- Resnik Similarity: How similar 2 words are depends on how much they have in common.

$$\begin{aligned} \rightarrow \text{Sim}_{\text{resnik}}(c_1, c_2) &= IC(LCS(c_1, c_2)) \\ &= -\log p(LCS(c_1, c_2)) \end{aligned}$$

- Lin-Similarity:

Lin:

$$\text{Sim}_{\text{lin}}(c_1, c_2) = \frac{2 \log p(LCS(c_1, c_2))}{\log p(c_1) + \log p(c_2)}$$

- Jiang-Consath Distance (JE Similarity)  
↳ Assigns lengths to graph edges.

$$\rightarrow \text{Sim}_{\text{je}}(c_1, c_2) = \frac{1}{IC(c_1) + IC(c_2) - 2 \times IC(LCS(c_1, c_2))}$$