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Natural Language Processing

## Exercise Sheet 7

### Extracting Information from Text

#### Exercise 1

Extend the chunk grammar for the NP-chunker in Figure 2.2 to also match noun phrases containing plural head nouns. Test your grammar with the following sentences:

```
[("many", "JJ"), ("dogs", "NNS"), ("barked", "VBD"), ("at", "IN"),  
 ("the", "DT"), ("cat", "NN")]  
=> (S (NP many/JJ dogs/NNS) barked/VBD at/IN (NP the/DT cat/NN))
```

```
[("two", "CD"), ("dogs", "NNS"), ("barked", "VBD"), ("at", "IN"),  
 ("the", "DT"), ("cat", "NN")]  
=> (S (NP two/CD dogs/NNS) barked/VBD at/IN (NP the/DT cat/NN))
```

```
[("both", "DT"), ("new", "JJ"), ("dogs", "NNS"), ("barked", "VBD"),  
 ("at", "IN"), ("the", "DT"), ("cat", "NN")]  
=> (S (NP both/DT new/JJ dogs/NNS) barked/VBD at/IN (NP the/DT cat/NN))
```

#### Exercise 2

Extend the grammar from Exercise 1 to also cover noun phrases that contain gerunds. Test your grammar with the following sentences and the sentences from Exercise 1:

```
[("many", "JJ"), ("dogs", "NNS"), ("barked", "VBD"), ("at", "IN"),  
 ("the", "DT"), ("meowing", "VBG"), ("cat", "NN")]  
(S  
  (NP many/JJ dogs/NNS)  
  barked/VBD  
  at/IN  
  (NP the/DT meowing/VBG cat/NN))
```

```
[("the", "DT"), ("man", "NN"), ("wants", "VBZ"), ("to", "TO"),  
 ("become", "VB"), ("assistant", "NN"), ("managing", "VBG"),  
 ("director", "NN")]  
(S  
  (NP the/DT man/NN)  
  wants/VBZ  
  to/TO  
  become/VB  
  (NP assistant/NN managing/VBG director/NN))
```

### Exercise 3

Extend the grammar from Exercise 2 to also handle coordinated noun phrases. Test your grammar with the following sentences and the sentences from Exercise 1 and 2:

```
[("the", "DT"), ("man", "NN"), ("wants", "VBZ"), ("to", "TO"),  
 ("leave", "VB"), ("in", "IN"), ("July", "NNP"),  
 ("or", "CC"), ("August", "NNP")]
```

```
(S  
  (NP the/DT man/NN)  
  wants/VBZ  
  to/TO  
  leave/VB  
  in/IN  
  (NP July/NNP or/CC August/NNP))
```

```
[("Donald", "NNP"), ("fired", "VBD"), ("all", "PDT"),  
 ("your", "PRP$"), ("managers", "NNS"), ("and", "CC"),  
 ("supervisors", "NNS")]
```

```
(S  
  (NP Donald/NNP)  
  fired/VBD  
  (NP all/PDT your/PRP$ managers/NNS and/CC supervisors/NNS))
```

```
[("company", "NN"), ("personnel", "NN"), ("policy", "NN"), ("has", "VBZ"),  
 ("always", "RB"), ("been", "VBN"), ("the", "DT"), ("law", "NN"),  
 ("that", "WDT"), ("rules", "VBZ"), ("company", "NN"), ("courts", "NN"),  
 ("and", "CC"), ("adjudicators", "NNS")]
```

```
(S  
  (NP company/NN personnel/NN policy/NN)  
  has/VBZ  
  always/RB  
  been/VBN  
  (NP the/DT law/NN)  
  that/WDT  
  rules/VBZ  
  (NP company/NN courts/NN and/CC adjudicators/NNS))
```

### Exercise 4

Extend the chunk grammar from Exercise 1 to a multi-stage chunk grammar for a cascaded chunker that produces the following output for the three test sentences:

```
(S  
  (NP many/JJ dogs/NNS)  
  (VP barked/VBD (PP at/IN (NP the/DT cat/NN))))
```

```

(S
  (NP two/CD dogs/NNS)
  (VP barked/VBD (PP at/IN (NP the/DT cat/NN))))
(S
  (NP both/DT new/JJ dogs/NNS)
  (VP barked/VBD (PP at/IN (NP the/DT cat/NN))))

```

### Exercise 5

Write a Definite Clause Grammar (DCG) in SWI-Prolog, which corresponds to the chunk grammar in Exercise 4 and produces the following output:

```

[np([many/'JJ',dogs/'NNS']),vp([barked/'VBD',
  pp([at/'IN',np([the/'DT',cat/'NN'])])])]]

[np([two/'CD',dogs/'NNS']),vp([barked/'VBD',
  pp([at/'IN',np([the/'DT',cat/'NN'])])])]]

[np([both/'DT',new/'JJ',dogs/'NNS']),vp([barked/'VBD',
  pp([at/'IN',np([the/'DT',cat/'NN'])])])]]

```

### Exercise 6

Write a predicate `print_tree(Tree)` in SWI-Prolog that produces the following output for the three sentences from Exercise 5:

```

(S
  (NP many/JJ dogs/NNS)
  (VP barked/VBD
    (PP at/IN
      (NP the/DT cat/NN))))

(S
  (NP two/CD dogs/NNS)
  (VP barked/VBD
    (PP at/IN
      (NP the/DT cat/NN))))

(S
  (NP both/DT new/JJ dogs/NNS)
  (VP barked/VBD
    (PP at/IN
      (NP the/DT cat/NN))))

```

The following predicates may be useful for the implementation:

- a) `Term=..List`: `List` is a list whose head is the functor of `Term` and the remaining arguments are the arguments of the term, e.g. `?- T =..[a, b, c]. T=a(b,c).;`
- b) `upcase_atom(Atom, UpperCase)`: converts an atom to uppercase;
- c) `tab(Amount)`: writes `Amount` spaces on the current output stream.

### Exercise 7

Extend the multi-stage chunk grammar from Exercise 4 to also cover the test sentences from Exercise 2:

```
(S
  (NP many/JJ dogs/NNS)
  (VP barked/VBD (PP at/IN (NP the/DT meowing/VBG cat/NN))))

(S
  (NP the/DT man/NN)
  (VP
    wants/VBZ
    (INFCL
      to/TO
      (VP become/VB (NP assistant/NN managing/VBG director/NN))))))
```

### Exercise 8

Extend the Definite Clause Grammar from Exercise 5 to also cover the test sentences from Exercise 2:

```
(S
  (NP many/JJ dogs/NNS)
  (VP barked/VBD
    (PP at/IN
      (NP the/DT meowing/VBG cat/NN))))

(S
  (NP the/DT man/NN)
  (VP wants/VBZ
    (INFCL to/TO
      (VP become/VB
        (NP assistant/NN managing/VBG director/NN))))))
```

## Exercise 9

Extend the multi-stage chunk grammar from Exercise 7 to also cover the test sentences from Exercise 3:

```
(S
  (NP the/DT man/NN)
  (VP
    wants/VBZ
    (INFCL
      to/TO
      (VP leave/VB (PP in/IN (NP July/NNP or/CC August/NNP))))))
(S
  (NP Donald/NNP)
  (VP
    fired/VBD
    (NP all/PDT your/PRP$ managers/NNS and/CC supervisors/NNS)))
(S
  (NP company/NN personnel/NN policy/NN)
  (VP
    has/VBZ
    always/RB
    been/VBN
    (NPRC
      (NP the/DT law/NN)
      (RELCL
        that/WDT
        (VP
          rules/VBZ
          (NP company/NN courts/NN and/CC adjudicators/NNS))))))
```

## Exercise 10

Extend the Definite Clause Grammar from Exercise 8 to also cover the test sentences from Exercise 3:

```
(S
  (NP the/DT man/NN)
  (VP wants/VBZ
    (INFCL to/TO
      (VP leave/VB
        (PP in/IN
          (NP July/NNP or/CC August/NNP))))))
```

```

(S
  (NP Donald/NNP)
  (VP fired/VBD
    (NP all/PDT your/PRP$ managers/NNS and/CC supervisors/NNS)))

(S
  (NP company/NN personnel/NN policy/NN)
  (VP has/VBZ always/RB been/VBN
    (NPRC
      (NP the/DT law/NN)
      (RELCL that/WDT
        (VP rules/VBZ
          (NP company/NN courts/NN and/CC adjudicators/NNS)))))))

```

### Exercise 11

Select the VP chunks from the “train” portion of the CoNLL 2000 Chunking Data Corpus. Create a list of all the tag sequences that occur with each instance of this chunk type. Use a `FreqDist` to display the 100 most common tag sequences.