

Practical Skills Assessment Rubric (CLO 3: Build practical NLP Applications)

A. Component 2: Technical Execution (50% weight)

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| Exemplary | 5 | Flawless code execution with sophisticated implementation, expert-level library usage, comprehensive error handling, optimized performance, and exceptional code organization |
| Advanced | 4 | Clean, efficient code that runs reliably with proper use of NLP libraries, good preprocessing pipeline, modular structure following best practices, and robust error handling |
| Proficient | 3 | Code runs correctly with appropriate NLP techniques implementation, solid preprocessing pipeline, well-organized structure with basic documentation |
| Developing | 2 | Code runs with significant errors, basic implementation with misapplication of libraries, inadequate preprocessing, and poor code organization |
| Needs Improvement | 1 | Code fails to run or produces incorrect outputs, missing critical NLP implementations, disorganized with no proper structure or error handling |

B. Component 1: Technical Understanding (50% weight)

| Level | Score | Description |
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| Exemplary | 5 | Demonstrates expert-level understanding of NLP concepts and theory, with clear articulation of implementation choices, theoretical foundations, and trade-offs between different approaches |
| Advanced | 4 | Shows deep understanding of NLP theory with ability to explain algorithm workings, justify design choices, and interpret evaluation metrics critically |
| Proficient | 3 | Demonstrates solid understanding of core NLP concepts, can explain algorithm functionality and preprocessing rationale with reasonable accuracy |
| Developing | 2 | Can explain basic NLP concepts but struggles with underlying principles, algorithm mechanics, and appropriate metric selection |
| Needs Improvement | 1 | Unable to explain NLP concepts, algorithms, or implementation choices; shows fundamental misunderstandings |