

Introducing Supernatural Language Processing (SNLP)

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Abstract

In recent years, the field of Natural Language Processing (NLP) has made significant strides in enabling machines to understand and generate human language. However, what if we told you that NLP merely scratches the surface? In the hallowed halls of academia, where skepticism and curiosity collide, a new field emerges: Supernatural Language Processing (SNLP). Building on the pioneering work of Spengler, Stanz, and Venkman,[1] in detecting and interacting with supernatural beings, we move beyond mundane chatbots and pedestrian sentiment analysis. SNLP is a cutting-edge discipline that transcends earthly boundaries and allows us to communicate with paranormal entities. This groundbreaking paper explores the theoretical underpinnings, practical applications, and potential pitfalls of SNLP. Buckle up, because armed with our trusty para-neural networks and a dash of ectoplasm, we're about to explore the spectral depths of linguistic interaction and spectral lexicon. ¹ ²

1 Introduction

1.1 The Haunting Gap

While NLP focuses on mundane tasks like sentiment analysis, chatbots, and grammar correction,[2] it has woefully neglected the spectral community. Ghosts, apparitions, and poltergeists have long felt left out of the linguistic loop. Imagine their frustration when they try to communicate with humans, only to receive responses like, "Sorry, I didn't catch that" or "Did you mean 'boo'?"

1.2 The Birth of SNLP

SNLP emerged from a séance in a dimly lit basement, where a team of linguists, mediums, pseudo-scientists, charlatans, and a particularly eloquent ectoplasmic orb convened.[3] Their mission? To bridge the gap between the corporeal and the ethereal. Thus, Supernatural Language Processing was born—a field

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that combines spectral semantics, ectoplasmic syntax, and spectral sentiment analysis.

1.3 A Burning Question

There is no longer a question that paranormal entities exist.[4] SNLP bridges the gap between earthly linguistics and ethereal discourse. The research question to our team of pseudo-scientists: “What are these supernatural entities saying? Why do they insist on speaking in riddles and haiku?” Perhaps they’re just lonely, want revenge for an untimely death, or maybe they’ve binge-watched too many episodes of “Kindred Spirits.”[5] Either way, we’re here to decode their spectral syllables.

2 Theoretical Foundations

2.1 Ghostly Grammar

SNLP introduces novel grammatical constructs, such as the “Phantom Passive Voice” and the “Spectral Subjunctive.” For instance:

- Phantom Passive Voice: “The séance was conducted by the medium” becomes “The séance was conducted by unseen hands.”
- Spectral Subjunctive: “If I were alive, I would eat pizza” becomes “If I were corporeal, I would feast upon ectoplasmic pizza.”

2.2 Ecto-Embeddings

Word embeddings take on a whole new dimension in SLP. Instead of vectors in Euclidean space,[6] we use “ecto-embeddings” in the spectral plane. Words like “spooky,” “ethereal,” and “ectoplasm” are mapped to their ghostly counterparts, such as “spooktacular,” “etherspeak,” and “ecto-delicious.”

3 Methodology

3.1 Spectral Corpus Cadaverum Collection

- We haunt ancient libraries, abandoned crypts, and Wi-Fi-enabled graveyards to gather spectral texts, assisted by amateur grave robbers, pseudo-scientists, and paranormal researchers.
- Our dataset includes EVP (Electronic Voice Phenomena), séance transcripts, and cryptic graffiti from haunted restrooms.
- We also scrape spectral tweets because even ghosts need to vent about their unfinished business.

3.2 Supernatural Tokenization

- Ghosts don't adhere to grammatical norms. Their sentences resemble a drunken game of Scrabble. Our tokenization algorithm handles spectral typos, missing vowels, and the occasional ectoplasmic expletive.

3.3 Entity Recognition

- Identifying spectral entities is tricky. Our model distinguishes between Slimer, a librarian, Mr. Stay-Puft, and Gozer the Gozerian. Non-corporeal context is key.
- Fun fact: Poltergeists use passive voice exclusively.

4 Results

4.1 Common Phrases

- Top 3 spectral phrases:
 1. "Boo!"
 2. "He killed me."
 3. "Huh. I guess COVID is real."
 4. "Tonight on Paranormal."

4.2 Cryptic Messages

- Our model deciphers hidden messages:
 1. "The treasure is beneath the Starbucks on Elm Street."
 2. "Shhhhh"
 3. "The Wi-Fi password is 'Banshee123.'"
 4. "Rosebud..."
 5. "Don't cross the streams. It messes with the our Wi-Fi."
 6. "Choose the form of the destructor!"

4.3 Emotional States

- Sentiments detected:
 1. 60% "Ethereal Curiosity"
 2. 30% "Spectral Sarcasm"
 3. 10% "Otherworldly Apathy"

5 Practical Applications

5.1 Ghost Chatbots

Imagine an SNLP chatbot that converses with spirits. Sample dialogue:

- User: “Who are you?”
- Chatbot: “I am the whisper in the wind, the echo in the crypt, the semi-transparent entity you seek.”

5.2 Paranormal Sentiment Analysis

SNLP sentiment analysis deciphers ghostly emotions:

- Positive: “The moonlit graveyard fills my ectoplasmic heart with spectral joy.”
- Negative: “The séance attendees mistook me for a draft and closed the window.”

6 Challenges and Ethical Considerations

6.1 Unconscious and Undead Bias

Are ectoplasmic embeddings perpetuating spectral stereotypes? We must tread carefully to avoid deathly discrimination.

6.2 Data Privacy Concerns

What if taking a secret to the grave is insufficient for data protection? Do regulations like GDPR and CCPA apply beyond the veil? Can we guarantee the anonymity of post-corporeal conversations?

7 Future Research

We have yet to determine if SNLP can lead us to a Supernatural Semantic Metalanguage (SNSM) that is Toki Pona-complete.^{/citeip} Will we need additional dimensions beyond Toki Pona-completeness to account for the SNLP move use of spectral plane ecto-embeddings rather than Euclidean space vectors, or will Toki Pona-completeness be sufficient for non- or post-human communication as well?

8 Conclusion

SNLP opens portals to the unknown—a way to connect with the afterlife, one ecto-sentence at a time. Our findings suggest that ghosts are just as confused as

we are. So next time you hear a disembodied whisper on a EVP replay, perhaps it's not just pareidolia. It might be a lost soul simply seeking Wi-Fi access.

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