

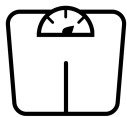
A background image featuring various food items including green apples, a banana, an orange, a glass pitcher of milk, and a bowl of cereal. A yellow measuring tape is draped across the scene, symbolizing health and diet. A dark grey circular overlay is centered on the image, containing the title and author's name.

# FOOD LOG TAGGER

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# About

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## COMPANY

weight management program + health data tracking & monitoring + clinical guidance



## PROBLEM

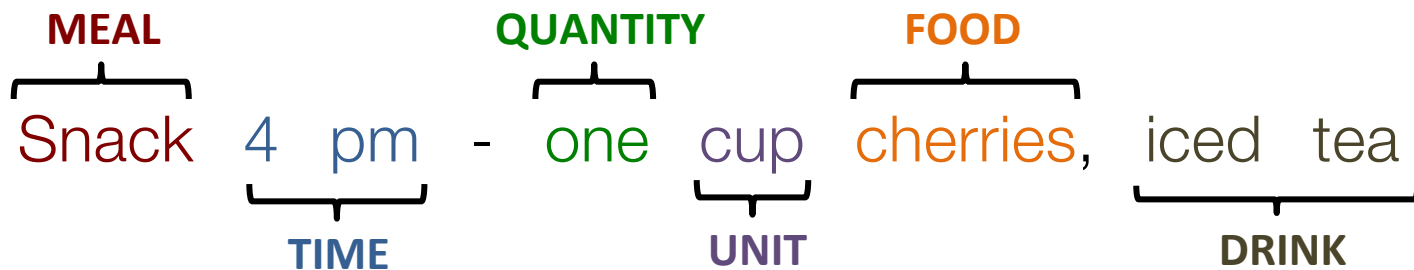
customer-generated nutrition data exists in unstructured format



## GOAL

predict label for each word in a food log

# Data



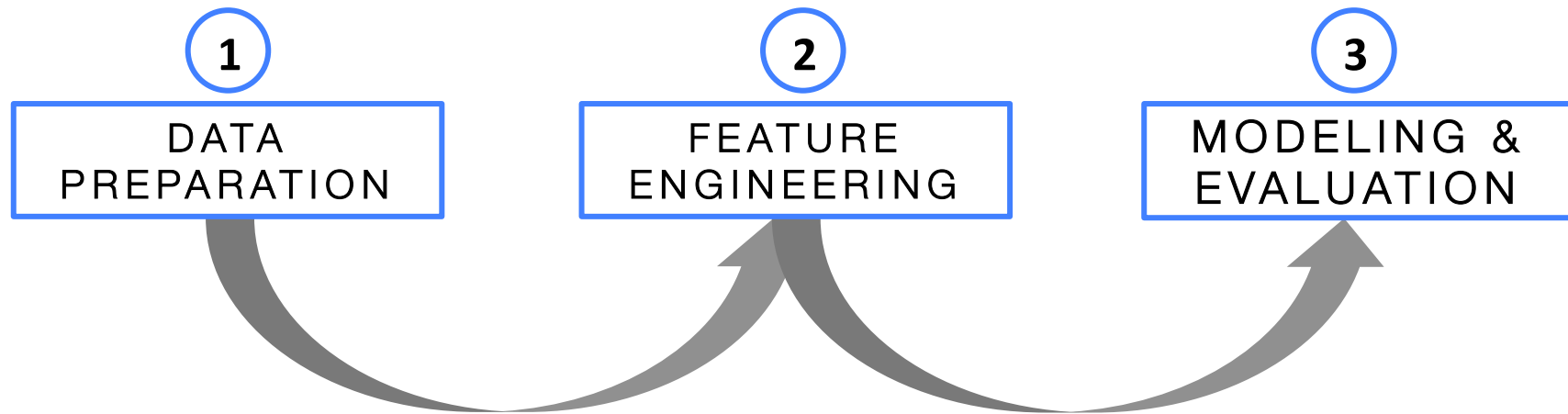
## COMMENT

Last night I was really low on my calorie intake so I treated myself.  
Had brie, walnuts, and dried peaches.

OTHER FOOD FOOD OTHER FOOD

# Process

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# Process

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## DATA PREPARATION

- Manually label training data using Flask web app + MongoDB
- Labels:

1. Meal	5. Quantity
2. Time	6. Unit
3. Food	7. Comment
4. Drink	8. Other

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## FEATURE ENGINEERING

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## MODELING & EVALUATION

# Process

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DATA  
PREPARATION

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FEATURE  
ENGINEERING

- spaCy part-of-speech tags
- Boolean: word has numeric digit
- Boolean: word has punctuation
- Boolean: word is capitalized
- POS tags for words before and after

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MODELING &  
EVALUATION

# Process

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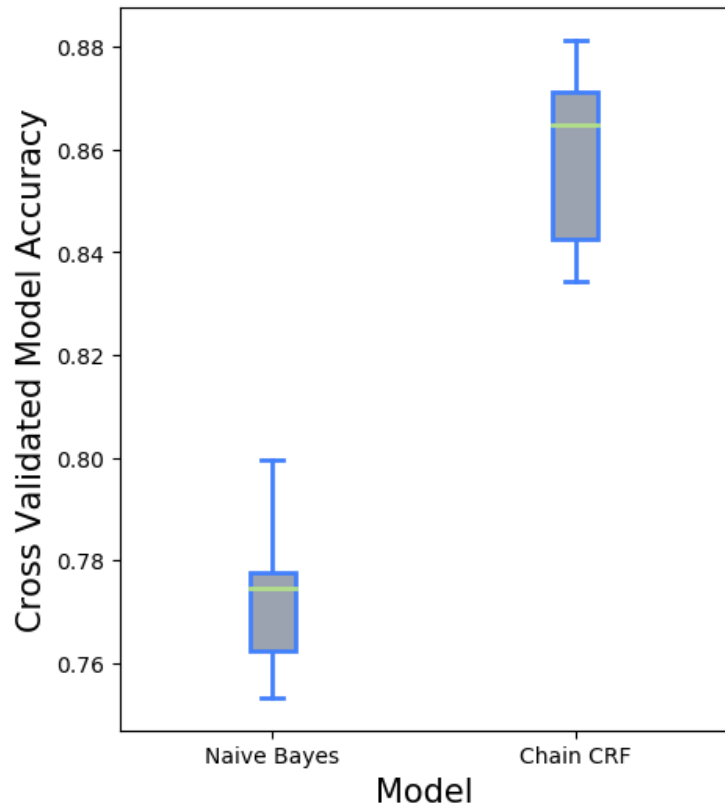
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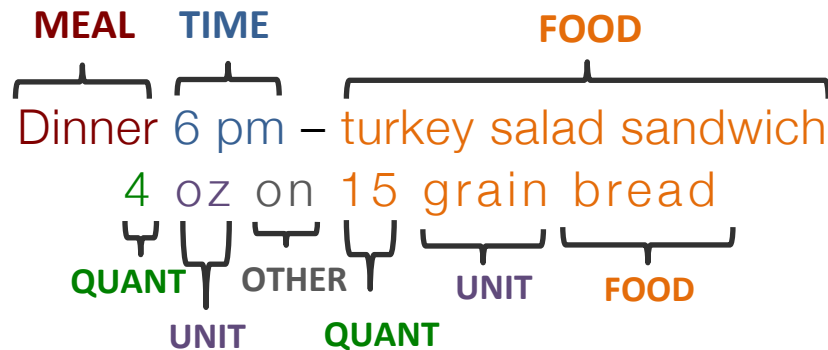
MODELING &  
EVALUATION

- Linear Chain Conditional Random Fields (CRF) → graphical model that maximizes  $p(y|x)$
- Baseline: Naïve Bayes
- Performance metric: accuracy

# Results



## Chain CRF Prediction:





# Next Steps

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Optimize model given  
more data



Topic Modeling /  
Sentiment Analysis  
on 'comments'



Regression on  
weight outcomes

# Thank You!

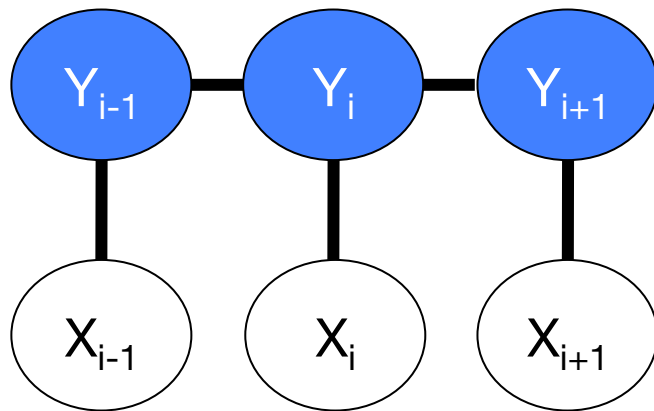


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# Appendix: CRF



CRF model consists of vertices, edges, and unary & pair-wise potentials.

$X$  represents elements of the structured input (in this case, words);  $Y$  represents the labels for each input (in this case, tags).

## IMPLEMENTATION

Given a sequence  $X = [x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n]$ , predict the corresponding labels  $Y = [y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n]$

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Creation of feature vectors from the given sequence.  $F = [f_1, f_2, \dots, f_n]$

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Calculate probability of each possible label  $y_i$  given a feature vector  $f_i$

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The  $y_i$  with maximum probability for given feature  $f_i$  is the label of token  $x_i$ .  
Label of  $x_i = \operatorname{argmax}(P(y_i|f_i))$

# Appendix: Per-Class Scoring

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LABEL	PRECISION	RECALL	F1-SCORE	SUPPORT
meal	0.85	0.84	0.84	789
time	0.79	0.60	0.68	208
food	0.87	0.97	0.92	2604
drink	1.00	0.01	0.02	96
quantity	0.89	0.85	0.87	219
unit	0.81	0.24	0.37	107
comment	0.94	0.88	0.91	964
other	0.88	0.85	0.87	258
avg / total	0.88	0.88	0.86	5245