

Lecture 12 – Discriminative Parsing

1. Grammars
 - a. Dependency Grammars
2. Discriminative Parsers
 - a. Graph based parsing
 - i. Parameterization
 - ii. Inference
 - iii.
 - iv. Learning
3. Two extensions
 - a. Neural representation (Kipperwassser and Goldberg)
 - b. Randomized greedy parsing

Regular Languages

- Σ
 1. \emptyset
 2. $a \in \Sigma$
 3. A and B are regular $\rightarrow A \cup B, AB, A^*$ is regular
- Not all languages are regular

Context Free Languages

- $S \rightarrow \alpha S \beta$ (recursive construction/center embedding), cannot be represented by regular languages
 - o i.e. The dog that snores sleeps.
- It was though that context free was sufficient...
 - o But it was found that it was not; in fact we need context sensitive

Dependency Grammars

- Only one type of relationship between words
 - o Parent child or governs or depends...
- Easier to train
- Problems
 - o No constituents
 - o Can be hard to annotate

Tree Adjoining Grammar

- More powerful than PCFG (can be context sensitive)

Generative vs Discriminative

- Discriminative $p(y|x)$
 - o Slower to get good performance
 - o Easily add more features

- Generative $p(x, y)$
 - o This distribution can be sampled
 - o Can very quickly get good performance
 - o Difficult to add more features
 - o NLP is mostly generative models

Dependency Parsing

- Words represented as x
- Arcs represented as y (pairs (i, j))
- $y(x)$ = all the direct rooted trees over x (universe of possibilities)
- Scoring $score(x, y, \theta)$
 - o Arc-factored scoring
 - Sum of arc scores $s = \sum_{i,j} score(a(i, j), \theta) = \sum f(x, i, j)\theta$
 - Can have many features $f(x, i, j)$...is this a problem?
 - No, can rely on other features...unlike language model where its possible no features exist.
- Inference $\underset{\theta}{\operatorname{argmax}} score(x, y, \theta)$
 - o Find the maximum weight spanning tree for a directed graph
- Estimation of θ
 - o For each x
 - Compute $\hat{y} = \max_y f(x, y)\theta$
 - If $y \neq \hat{y}$
 - $\theta = \theta + f(x, y) - f(x, \hat{y})$