

FoLT Tutorial 4 Summary

PART 1: Span-Based Annotations

- A token or a sequence of tokens can be referred as a `span` :
 - We can define a `span` by slicing a `doc[start : end]`
 - a `doc` is usually a text that has been processed using a `pipeline` (Check Tutorial 2, Part 3)
- Code that prints a span:

```
nlp = spacy.load("en_core_web_sm") #Load the pipeline
doc = nlp("Reviewers stated that limitations of available evidence mean \
that none of the prognostic models are at a stage where they could \
be used in clinical practice, so this question remains unanswered.") #pass the text
through the pipeline
span = doc[3:26] #slice it
print(span)
```

- Result:

```
limitations of available evidence mean that none of the prognostic models are at a stage where they could be used in clinical practice
```
- Now we can operate on the span :
 - get the number of tokens (I)
 - get a token using its index (II)
 - iterate over the tokens and use their lexical attributes (Check Tutorial 3, Part 4) (III)
 - we can also get the `lemma_` of the whole span/split (IV)
 - we can retrieve tokens that satisfy a certain POS, eg. noun, verb... (V)
- Code to demonstrate what we talked about:

```
print(len(span)) # I
print(span[0]) # II
print([(t.text, t.pos_, t.dep_, t.lemma_) for t in span]) # III
print(span.lemma_) #--| IV
print(" ".join([t.lemma_ for t in span])) #--| IV
print(list(span.noun_chunks)) # V
```

- Result:

```
23
limitations
[('limitations', 'NOUN', 'nsubj', 'limitation'), ('of', 'ADP', 'prep', 'of'), ('available', 'ADJ', 'amod', 'available'), ('evidence',
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[limitations, available evidence, none, the prognostic models, a stage, they, clinical practice]
```
- Things you should know:
 - you can set and get a span's `label`
 - you have to use `label_` for that, or you'll get the hash value of the label
- Code:

```
span.label_ = "negative"
print(span.label_)
print(span.label)
```

- Result:

```
negative
11803922482410560765
```

PART 2: Inter-annotator Agreement

- Remember Cohen's Kappa from Lecture 1, well here is a reminder if you don't
 - **Cohen's Kappa:** $\kappa = \frac{p_o - p_e}{1 - p_e}$, measuring how 2 annotators agree with each other above chance.
 - Now that you remember we will make a function that calculate it, how it works:
 1. we calculate the p_o (**observed agreement**)
 2. we calculate the p_e (**expected agreement**)
 3. then we use the κ formula
- Code:

```
def cohen_kappa (annotation_1, annotation_2, labels):
    po = len([[id, label1, label2] for [id, label1], [id, label2] in zip(annotation_1,
annotation_2) if label1 == label2]) / len(annotation_1)
    pe = 0
    for l in labels:
        p1 = len([[id, label] for [id, label] in annotation_1 if label == l ]) /
len(annotation_1)
        p2 = len([[id, label] for [id, label] in annotation_2 if label == l ]) /
len(annotation_2)
        pe = pe + p1 * p2
    k = (po - pe) / (1 - pe)
    return k
```

- Example:

```
annotation_1 = [["0", "positive"], ["1", "negative"], ["2", "negative"], ["3",
"positive"], ["4", "neutral"], ["5", "positive"]]
annotation_2 = [["0", "positive"], ["1", "negative"], ["2", "positive"], ["3",
"neutral"], ["4", "positive"], ["5", "positive"]]
labels = ["positive", "negative", "neutral"]
cohen_kappa (annotation_1, annotation_2, labels)
```

- Result

```
0.1428571428571429
```

- Review: bad agreement, $\kappa < 20$ is poor agreement

PART 3: Other Inter-annotator Agreement Metrics

- **Limitations of Cohen's Kappa:** only used to measure agreement between 2 annotators and it's categorical
- Other Methods:
 - **Fleiss' kappa:** $\kappa = \frac{p_o - p_e}{1 - p_e}$, is an extension of Cohen's for **three annotators or more**, to a **fixed number of items**, at the **condition** that **for each item annotators are randomly sampled**. It's designed for situations where a **fixed number of annotators** assess **a set of items** and **different items can be rated by different annotators**. E.g Item 1 is annotated by annotator A, B, and C; but Item 2 could be annotated by annotator D, E, and F.
 - **Krippendorff's Alpha:** $\alpha = \frac{p_a - p_e}{1 - p_e}$, based on calculating percentage agreement, it can:
 - Calculate IAA for incomplete data

- Compare an arbitrary number of annotators
- Handle “shades of gray” where annotators might only partially agree with each other