Lecture 1: Introduction to NLP

Natural Language Processing or NLP is a multidisciplinary field combining math linguistics and computer science, the goal is to get computer to do useful things with natural language data.

Common NLP tasks and applications:

→ Translation
→ Summarization
→ Question answering
→ Speech recognition
→ classification
→ assisted writing.

some reasons why NLP is hard:

1. Content
2. Inflections
3. Content
4. misspelled or misused words.
5. physical gesture.

Fundamentals of NLP

→ Preprocessing:
  → tokenization
  → simplification technique
  → tagging and
  → simple rules-based approaches.

→ Basic vectorization:
  → turning text to numbers.
  → measuring similarity between docs.

→ Modelling overview:
  → types of machine learning algorithms
    → vs. models
      → evaluation

→ first steps into classification:
  → classifying text using Navie Bayes.
  → evaluation with precision and recall

→ Topic modeling:
  → Automatically finding topics in docs using latent dirichlet allocation.

Deep learning for NLP:

→ word vectors: capturing word meaning, the concept of embedding.

→ Recurrent Nural Networks:
Capturing sequence information and generating language.

→ Neural Networks:
what they are, how they work and details around training

→ ~~Sequence2 sequence~~
seq2seq and attention: training a neural network to transform one sequence to another.

→ Transformation: The dominant mainstream architecture today. Pretraining and transfer learning

Processing:

1. tokenization: The process of segmenting our documents into tokens.

Code:

```
// inserting libraries
()!pip install -U spacy==3.*
()!python -m spacy info
()import spacy
()!python -m spacy download en_core_web_sm
()nlp = spacy.load('en_core_web_sm')
()type(nlp)
//sample sentense testing
s = "I eat nice"
doc = nlp(s)
print([t.text for t in doc])
```

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//output:
["I", "eat", "nice"
```

Basic programming.

case folding, stop word removal, stemming, lemmatization.

case folding

sentense: "Mr. Cook went into the kitchen to cook dinner"

without cf:

{Cook, dinner, into, kitchen, mr, the, to, went, cook}

with cf

{cook, dinner, into, kitchen, mr, the, to, went}

Code:

```
Print([t.lower_ for t in doc])
//to skip for first word
Print([t.lower_ if not t.is_sent_start else
       t for t in doc])
```

Stop word removal:

stop words → {the, a, of, an, this, that}

Code:

```
Print (nlp.Defaults.stop_words)
Print (len(nlp.Defaults.stop_words))

print([t for t in doc if not t.is_stop])
```

stemming

removing word suffines or prefines.

Banking
Banks
} Bank

Lematization

Reduce a word down to its lemma or dictionary form.

Did
Done
Doing
} Do

Code: [(t.text, t.lemma_) for t in doc]

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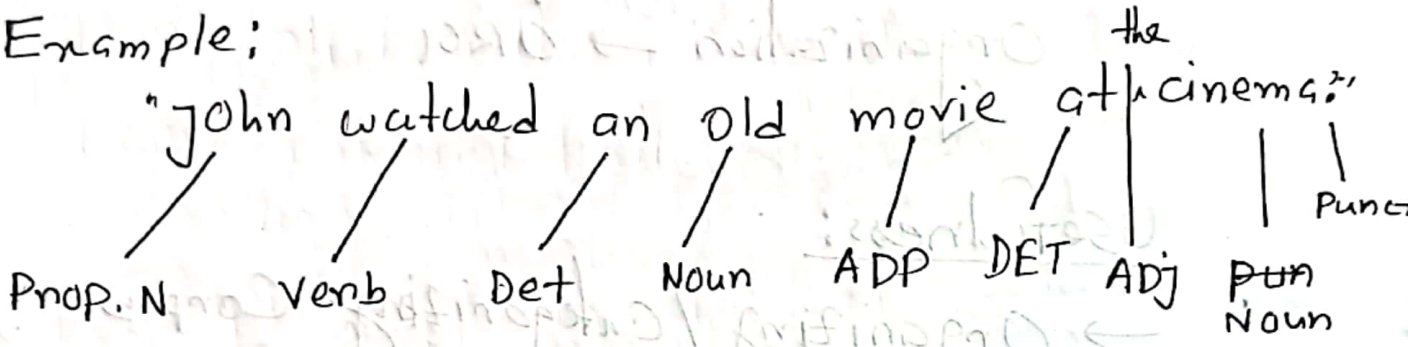
Part of speech (POS) Tagging:

{noun, verb, adjective, ...}

Example:



// Code

→ [(t.text, t.pose_) for t in doc]

→ [(t.text, t.tag_) for t in doc]

Named Identity Recognition (NER)

{a person, a location, an organization ....}

Named entity: anything that can be reffend by a proper ~~noun~~ name. They often have a proper Noun (PROPN) pos tg.

Example:

Person → PER
Location → LOC
Geopolitical Entity → GPE
Organization → ORG

Usefulness:

→ Organizing / categorizing Corpus

→ Question answering

→ Critical in information extraction.

Challange:

An entity can speak multiple tokens.

Hamilton

US president? City F1 driver?

Code:

```
doc = nlp(s)    // s is a sentense or string
[(t.text, t.ent_type_) for t in doc)
// entity non zero check
[(t.text, t.ent_type_) for t in doc if
                    t.ent_type != 0]
//iterating through ents.
[(ent.text, ent.label) for ent in doc.ents)
```

Parsing

Determining the syntactic structure of a sentence.

type:

→ Constituency parsing

→ Dependency parsing

Constituency parsing using CFG:

NP – Noun phrase
VP – verb phrase
PP → Prepositional phrase
NN → Noun
PPP → personal pronoun
NNP → proper Noun
VB → verb (Base form
DT → Determiner
IN → Preposition

Production Rules

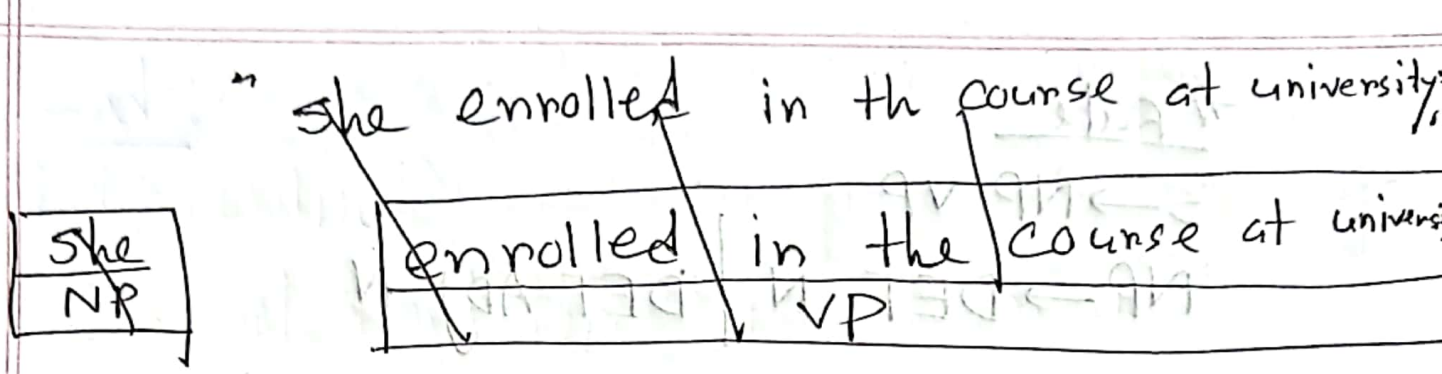
S → NP VP

NP → PRP | NNP | DT NN
VP → VB | VB NP | VP PP
PP → IN NP

Lexicon

DT → the | a | this | that
PRP → I | she | he
IN → in | at
NN → book | hotel | room.

"She enrolled in the course at university."



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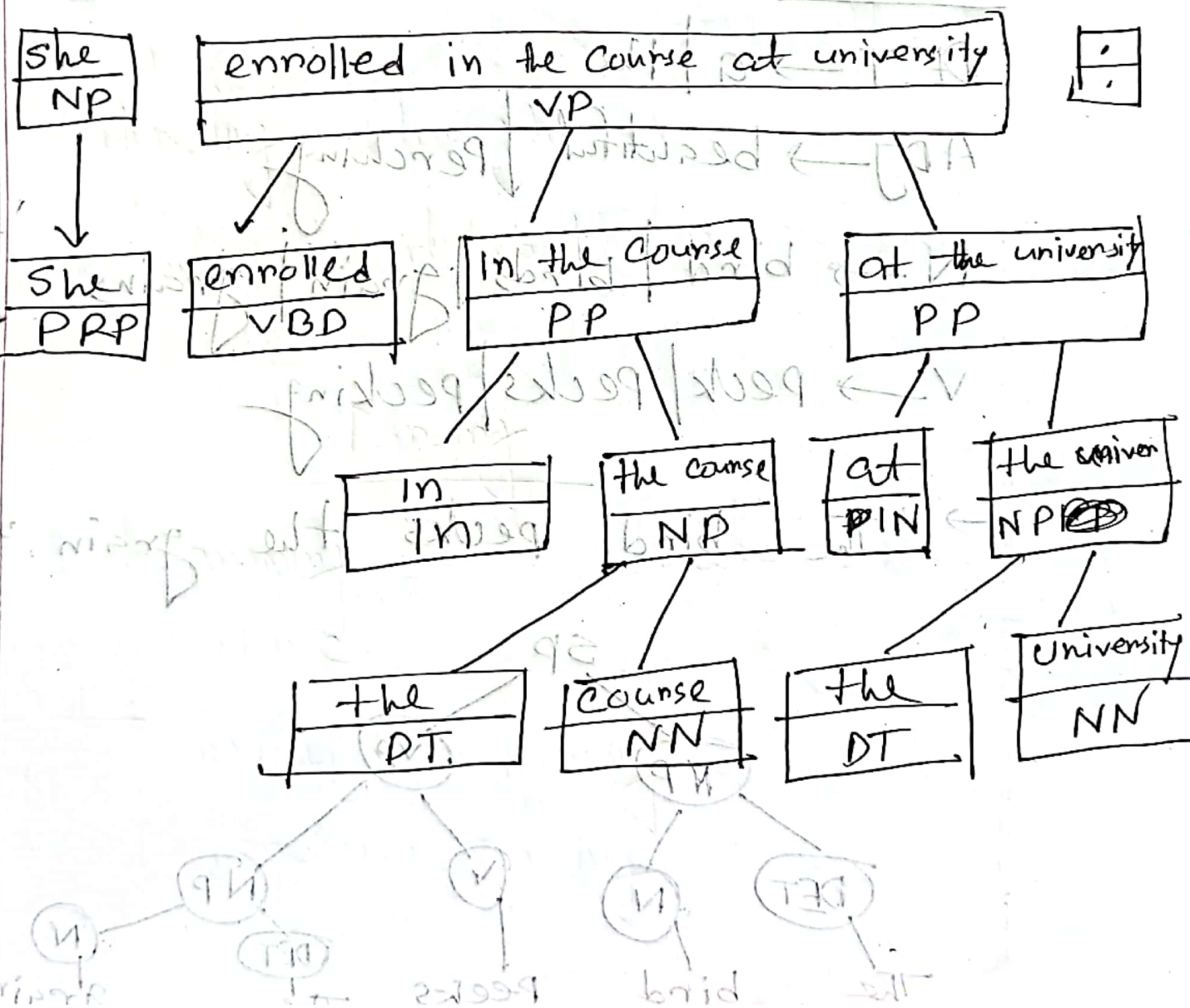


Rule

S → NP VP

NP → DET N | DET ADJ N

VP → V NP

Lexicon

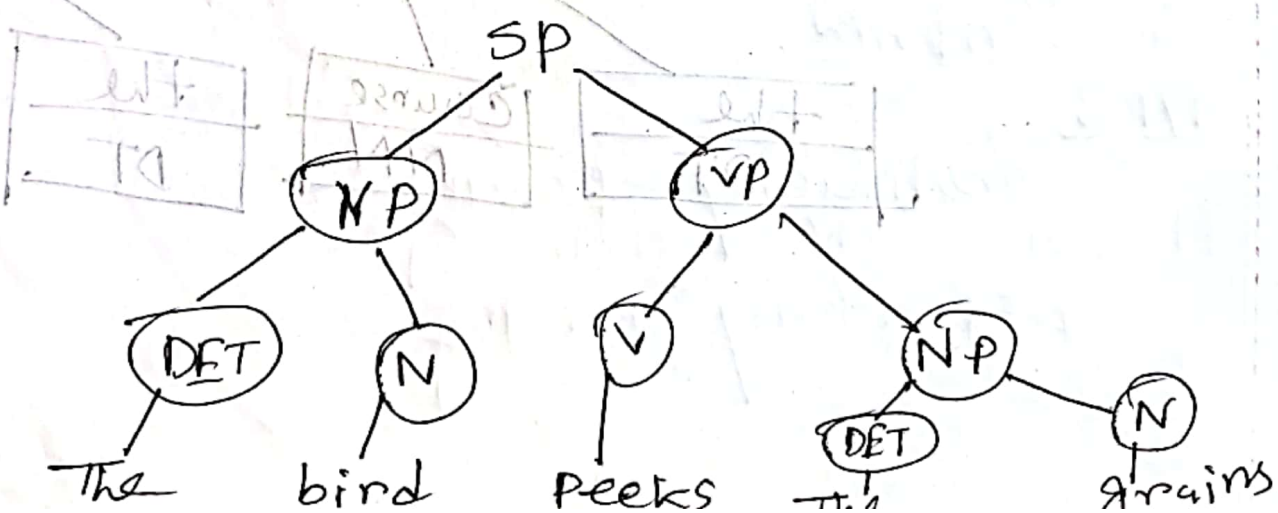
DET → a | the

ADJ → beautiful | perching

N → bird | birds | grain | grains

V → peck | pecks | pecking

→ The bird pecks the grain.



Parsing

→ Determine the cymetric structure of sentense.

"She enrolled

"The quick brown fox jump over the lazy dog"