## Part of Speech (POS) tagging

• POS tagging is the task of assigning tags to each word in a sentence according to its part of speech.

```
quick
                                jumped
The
                brown
                         fox
                                                          lazy
                                                   the
                                           over
                                                                  dog
DET
       VERB
                 VERB
                         NOUN
                                  VERB
                                           PREP
                                                   DET
                                                          VERB
                                                                  NOUN
```

- The set of tags, or *Parts*, varies by dataset, task etc., and can be much larger than the standard set of eight.
- Used in syntactic parsing, and for word sense disambiguation (WSD)

```
leaves -> leave
   VERB

leaves -> leaf
   NOUN
```

## Tokenization

Very common approach: segment on the space character

```
raw text: "The quick brown fox jumped over the lazy dog" segmented text: ["The", "quick", "brown", "fox", "jumped", "over", "the", "lazy", "dog"]
```

• Once a tokenization scheme is decided on, we typically construct a lookup table mapping each token (or key) to an index that references the feature representation for that token. Here is an example of the BOW representation of the above text:

```
>>> raw_text = "the quick brown fox jumped over the lazy dog"
>>> segmented_text = raw_text.split(" ")
>>> bow = [0 for _ in range(len(set(segmented_text)))]
>>> lookup = {token: index for index, token in enumerate(set(segmented_text))}
>>> for token in segmented_text:
...     index = lookup[token]
...     bow[index] += 1
...
>>> bow
[1, 1, 1, 1, 2, 1, 1]
>>> lookup
{'jumped': 0, 'over': 1, 'fox': 2, 'dog': 3, 'quick': 4, 'the': 5, 'lazy': 6, 'brown': 7}
```

• There are data-driven methods to do this that don't rely on naively splitting on whitespace, and other feature representations too!