

Natural Language Processing



Parsing III

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Unsupervised Tagging



Unsupervised Tagging?

- AKA part-of-speech induction
- Task:
 - Raw sentences in
 - Tagged sentences out
- Obvious thing to do:
 - Start with a (mostly) uniform HMM
 - Run EM
 - Inspect results



EM for HMMs: Process

- Alternate between recomputing distributions over hidden variables (the tags) and reestimating parameters
- Crucial step: we want to tally up how many (fractional) counts of each kind of transition and emission we have under current params:

$$\text{count}(w, s) = \sum_{i:w_i=w} P(t_i = s | \mathbf{w})$$

$$\text{count}(s \rightarrow s') = \sum_i P(t_{i-1} = s, t_i = s' | \mathbf{w})$$

- Same quantities we needed to train a CRF!



Merialdo: Setup

- Some (discouraging) experiments [Merialdo 94]
- Setup:
 - You know the set of allowable tags for each word
 - Fix k training examples to their true labels
 - Learn $P(w|t)$ on these examples
 - Learn $P(t|t_1, t_2)$ on these examples
 - On n examples, re-estimate with EM
- Note: we know allowed tags but not frequencies

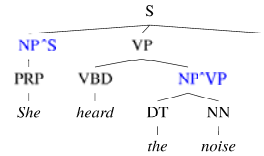


Merialdo: Results

Number of tagged sentences used for the initial model							
	0	100	2000	5000	10000	20000	all
Iter	Correct tags (% words) after ML on 1M words						
0	77.0	90.0	95.4	96.2	96.6	96.9	97.0
1	80.5	92.6	95.8	96.3	96.6	96.7	96.8
2	81.8	93.0	95.7	96.1	96.3	96.4	96.4
3	83.0	93.1	95.4	95.8	96.1	96.2	96.2
4	84.0	93.0	95.2	95.5	95.8	96.0	96.0
5	84.8	92.9	95.1	95.4	95.6	95.8	95.8
6	85.3	92.8	94.9	95.2	95.5	95.6	95.7
7	85.8	92.8	94.7	95.1	95.3	95.5	95.5
8	86.1	92.7	94.6	95.0	95.2	95.4	95.4
9	86.3	92.6	94.5	94.9	95.1	95.3	95.3
10	86.6	92.6	94.4	94.8	95.0	95.2	95.2

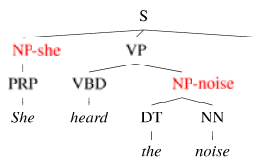
Latent Variable PCFGs

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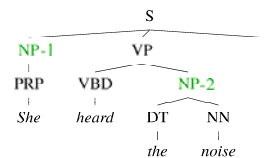
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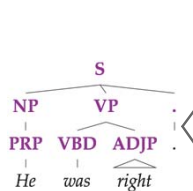
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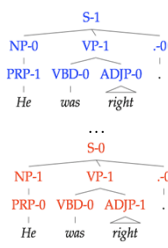


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 - Automatic clustering?

Latent Variable Grammars



Parse Tree T
Sentence w



Derivations $t : T$

Grammar G

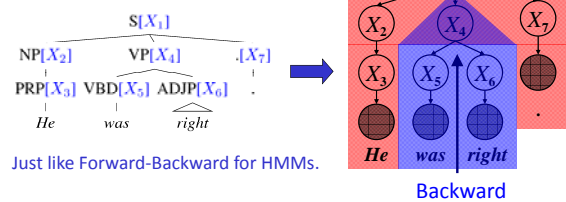
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 \dots
 $NP_0 \rightarrow PRP_0 ?$
 $NP_0 \rightarrow PRP_1 ?$
 \dots
 Lexicon
 $PRP_0 \rightarrow \text{She} ?$
 $PRP_1 \rightarrow \text{She} ?$
 \dots
 $VBD_0 \rightarrow \text{was} ?$
 $VBD_1 \rightarrow \text{was} ?$
 $VBD_2 \rightarrow \text{was} ?$
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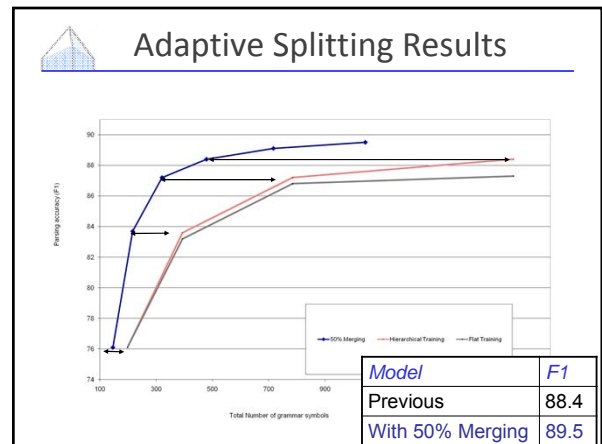
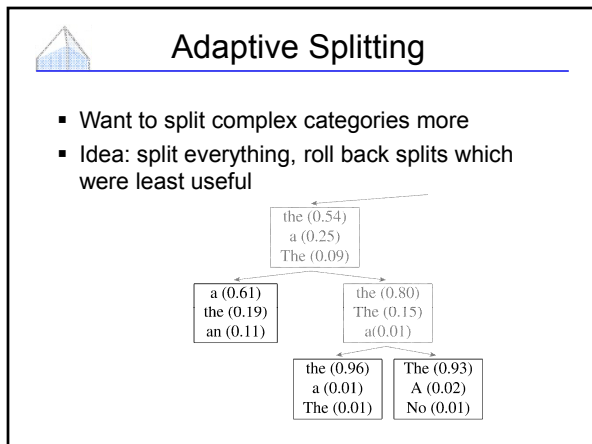
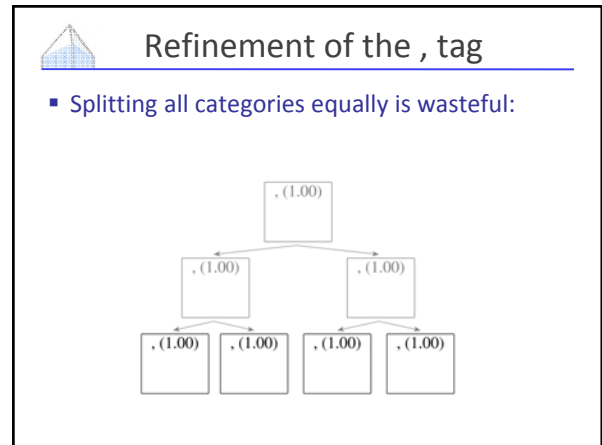
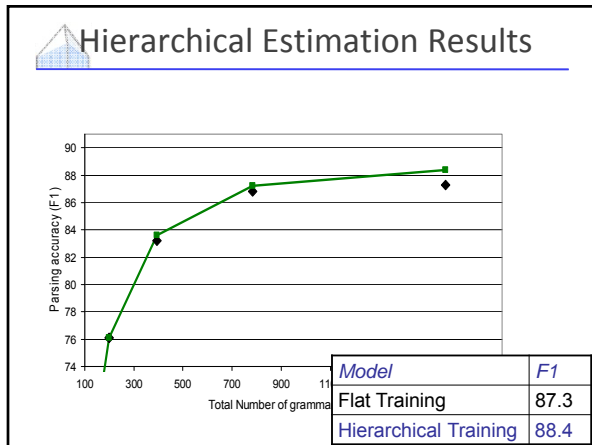
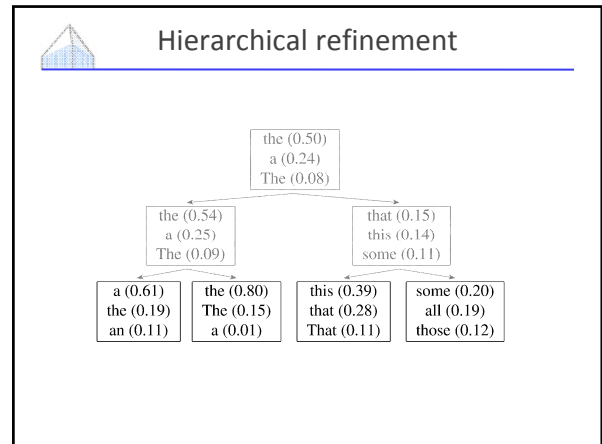
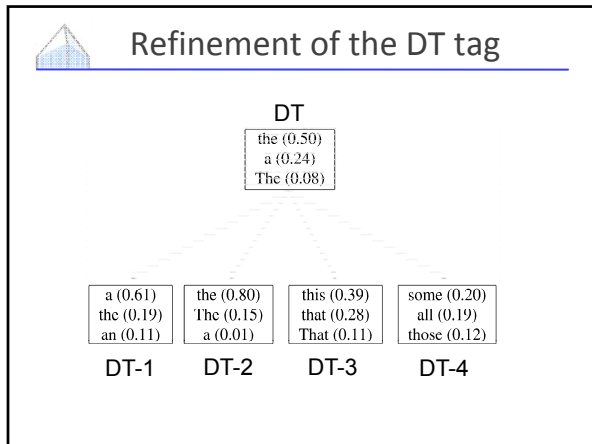
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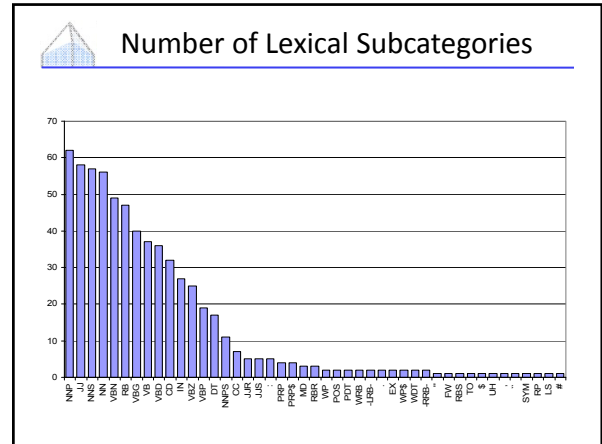
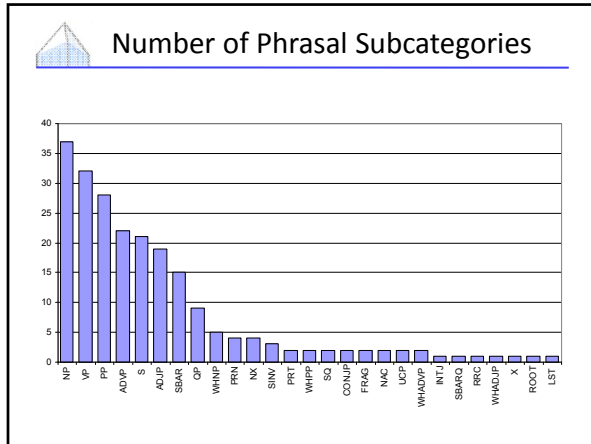
Learning Latent Annotations

EM algorithm:

- Brackets are known
- Base categories are known
- Only induce subcategories







Learned Splits

- Proper Nouns (NNP):

NNP-14	Oct.	Nov.	Sept.
NNP-12	John	Robert	James
NNP-2	J.	E.	L.
NNP-1	Bush	Noriega	Peters
NNP-15	New	San	Wall
NNP-3	York	Francisco	Street
- Personal pronouns (PRP):

PRP-0	It	He	I
PRP-1	it	he	they
PRP-2	it	them	him

Learned Splits

- Relative adverbs (RBR):

RBR-0	further	lower	higher
RBR-1	more	less	More
RBR-2	earlier	Earlier	later
- Cardinal Numbers (CD):

CD-7	one	two	Three
CD-4	1989	1990	1988
CD-11	million	billion	trillion
CD-0	1	50	100
CD-3	1	30	31
CD-9	78	58	34

Final Results (Accuracy)

		≤ 40 words F1	all F1
ENG	Charniak&Johnson '05 (generative)	90.1	89.6
	Split / Merge	90.6	90.1
GER	Dubey '05	76.3	-
	Split / Merge	80.8	80.1
CHN	Chiang et al. '02	80.0	76.6
	Split / Merge	86.3	83.4

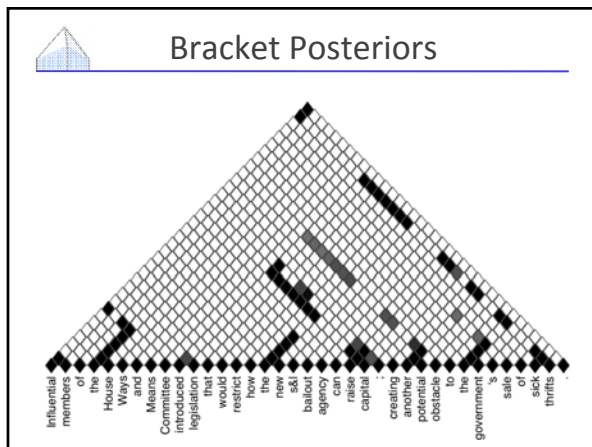
Still higher numbers from reranking / self-training methods

Efficient Parsing for Hierarchical Grammars

Coarse-to-Fine Inference

- Example: PP attachment

Hierarchical Pruning



1621 min
111 min
35 min
15 min
(no search error)

Other Syntactic Models

Parse Reranking

- Assume the number of parses is very small
- We can represent each parse T as an arbitrary feature vector $\phi(T)$
 - Typically, all local rules are features
 - Also non-local features, like how right-branching the overall tree is
 - [Charniak and Johnson 05] gives a rich set of features

K-Best Parsing [Huang and Chiang 05, Pauls, Klein, Quirk 10]

$\gamma + \beta_L + \beta_G + \beta_R$

$\gamma = \gamma_0 + r$

Dependency Parsing

- Lexicalized parsers can be seen as producing *dependency trees*

- Each local binary tree corresponds to an attachment in the dependency graph

Dependency Parsing

- Pure dependency parsing is only cubic [Eisner 99]

- Some work on *non-projective* dependencies
 - Common in, e.g. Czech parsing
 - Can do with MST algorithms [McDonald and Pereira 05]

Shift-Reduce Parsers

- Another way to derive a tree:

- Parsing
 - No useful dynamic programming search
 - Can still use beam search [Ratnaparkhi 97]

Data-oriented parsing:

- Rewrite large (possibly lexicalized) subtrees in a single step

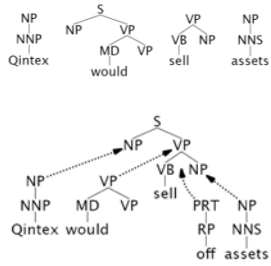
- Formally, a *tree-insertion grammar*
- Derivational ambiguity whether subtrees were generated atomically or compositionally
- Most probable *parse* is NP-complete

TIG: Insertion

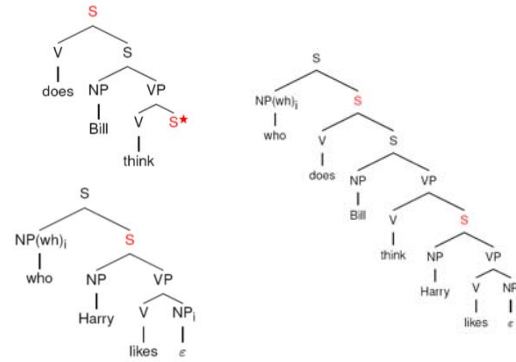


Tree-adjoining grammars

- Start with *local trees*
- Can insert structure with *adjunction operators*
- Mildly context-sensitive
- Models long-distance dependencies naturally
- ... as well as other weird stuff that CFGs don't capture well (e.g. cross-serial dependencies)



TAG: Long Distance



CCG Parsing

- Combinatory Categorical Grammar**
 - Fully (mono-) lexicalized grammar
 - Categories encode argument sequences
 - Very closely related to the lambda calculus (more later)
 - Can have spurious ambiguities (why?)

$John \vdash NP$
 $shares \vdash NP$
 $buys \vdash (S \backslash NP) / NP$
 $sleeps \vdash S \backslash NP$
 $well \vdash (S \backslash NP) \backslash (S \backslash NP)$

