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Word Meaning

- Considers the meaning(s) of a word in addition to its written form
- Word Sense: a discrete representation of an aspect of the meaning of a word









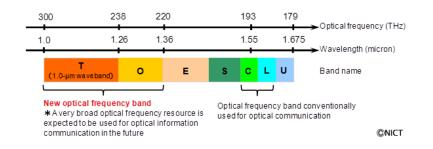


Lexeme

 An entry in a lexicon consisting of a pair: a form with a single meaning representation

- band (music group)
- band (material)
- band (wavelength)









Lemma

- The grammatical form that is used to represent a lexeme
 - Berlin
 - band



Homonymy

- Words which have similar form but different meanings
 - Homographs:
 - Berlin (Germany's capital); Berlin (music band)
 - band (music group); band (material); band (wavelength)

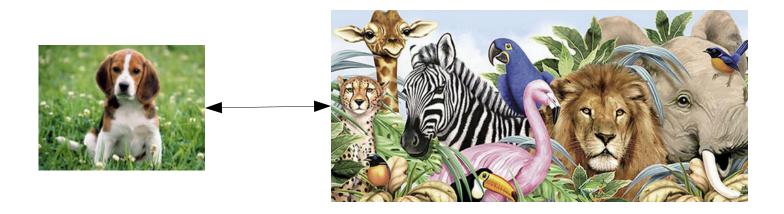


Homophones

- Words which have similar pronunciation but different writing and meaning
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 - right

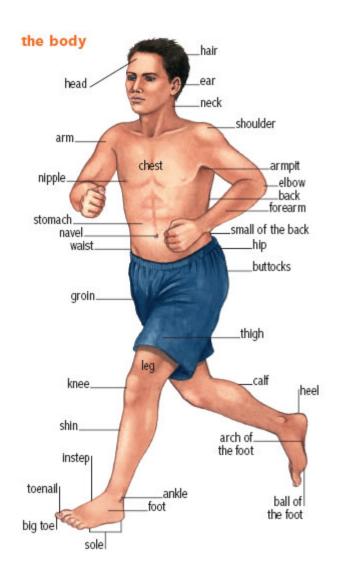


- Lexical relations among words (senses)
 - Hyponymy (is-a relation) {parent: hypernym, child: hyponym}
 - dog & animal





- Lexical relations among words (senses)
 - Meronymy (part-of relation)
 - arm & body



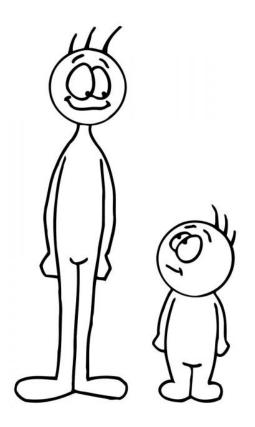


- Lexical relations among words (senses)
 - Synonymy
 - fall & autumn





- Lexical relations among words (senses)
 - Antonymy
 - tall & short





WordNet

- A hierarchical database of lexical relations
- Three Separate sub-databases
 - Nouns
 - Verbs
 - Adjectives and Adverbs
- Each word is annotated with a set of senses
- Available online or for download
 - http://wordnetweb.princeton.edu/perl/webwn





Word sense

Synset (synonym set)

Noun

- <u>S: (n) set, circle, band, lot</u> (an unofficial association of people or groups) "the smart set goes there": "they were an angry lot"
- S: (n) band (instrumentalists not including string players)
- S: (n) band, <u>banding</u>, <u>stria</u>, <u>striation</u> (a stripe or stripes of contrasting color)
 "chromosomes exhibit characteristic bands"; "the black and yellow banding of bees
 and wasps"
- S: (n) band, <u>banding</u>, <u>stripe</u> (an adornment consisting of a strip of a contrasting color or material)
- S: (n) dance band, band, dance orchestra (a group of musicians playing popular music for dancing)
- S: (n) band (a range of frequencies between two limits)
- <u>S.</u> (n) band (a thin flat strip of flexible material that is worn around the body or one of the limbs (especially to decorate the body))
- <u>S: (n) isthmus,</u> **band** (a cord-like tissue connecting two larger parts of an anatomical structure)
- S: (n) ring, band (jewelry consisting of a circlet of precious metal (often set with jewels) worn on the finger) "she had rings on every finger"; "he noted that she wore a wedding band"
- S: (n) band (a driving belt in machinery)
- S: (n) band (a thin flat strip or loop of flexible material that goes around or over something else, typically to hold it together or as a decoration)
- <u>S: (n) band, ring</u> (a strip of material attached to the leg of a bird to identify it (as in studies of bird migration))
- <u>S:</u> (n) **band** (a restraint put around something to hold it together)

Verb

- S: (v) band (bind or tie together, as with a band)
- S: (v) ring, band (attach a ring to the foot of, in order to identify) "ring birds"; "band the geese to observe their migratory patterns"



Word Relations (Hypernym)

- S: (n) ring, band (jewelry consisting of a circlet of precious metal (often set with jewels) worn on the finger) "she had rings on every finger"; "he noted that she wore a wedding band"
 - <u>direct hyponym</u> I <u>full hyponym</u>
 - S: (n) engagement ring (a ring given and worn as a sign of betrothal)
 - S: (n) mourning ring (a ring worn as a memorial to a dead person)
 - S: (n) ringlet (a small ring)
 - S: (n) signet ring, seal ring (a ring bearing a signet)
 - S: (n) wedding ring, wedding band (a ring (usually plain gold) given to the bride (and sometimes one is also given to the groom) at the wedding)
 - direct hypernym / inherited hypernym / sister term
 - S: (n) jewelry, jewellery (an adornment (as a bracelet or ring or necklace) made of precious metals and set with gems (or imitation gems))



Word sense disambiguation (WSD)

Figure out the meaning of a word in a certain context





Berlin, 1982. L-R: David Diamond, Rob Brill, Terri Nunn, John Crawford, Matt Reid, and Ric Olsen.







Motivation: Information retrieval & question answering

Berlin is the capital of Germany.

Berlin may also refer to:

Individuals [edit]

- Berlin (surname)
- Berlin Ndebe-Nlome (born 1987), Cameroonian football player
- Berlin, former stage name for professional wrestler Alex Wright

Places [edit]

Canada [edit]

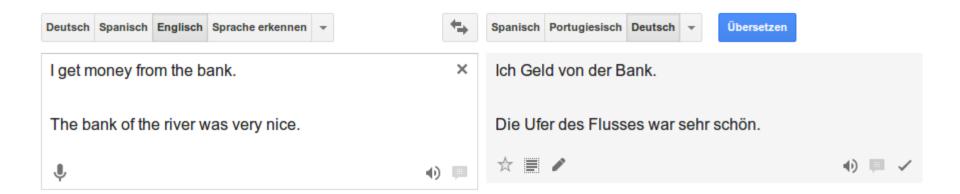
- · Berlin, former name of Kitchener, Ontario
 - Berlin to Kitchener name change

United States [edit]

- · Berlin, California, the former name of Genevra, California
- Berlin, Connecticut
 - Berlin (Amtrak station), rail station in Berlin, Connecticut
- · Berlin, Georgia
- · Berlin, Illinois
- · Berlin, Indiana, extinct town
- Berlin, Kentucky
- Berlin, Maryland



Motivation: Machine translation





Motivation: Speech synthesis

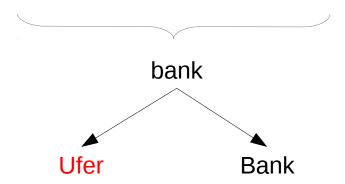
- Eggs have a high protein content.
- She was content to step down after four years as chief executive.



Word Sense Disambiguation

- Input
 - A word
 - The context of the word
 - Set of potential senses for the word
- Output
 - The best sense of the word for this context

The bank of the river was nice.





Approaches

- Thesaurus-based
- Supervised learning
- Semi-supervised learning



Thesaurus-based

- Extract sense definitions from existing sources
 - Dictionaries
 - Thesauri
 - Wikipedia

Science and technology [edit]

- . BAND (application), a private space for groups
- · Band (mathematics), an idempotent semigroup
- · Band (radio), a range of frequencies or wavelengths used in radio transmission and radar
- . Band cell, a type of white blood cell
- · Gastric band, a weight-control measure
- · Bird banding, placing numbered bands of metal on birds' legs for identification

Organizations [edit]

- · Band (channel), nickname of Brazilian broadcast television network Rede Bandeirantes
- . Bands (Italian Army irregulars), military units once in the service of the Italian Regio Esercito
- . The Band (professional wrestling), the Total Nonstop Wrestling name for the professional wrestling stable New World Order

Music [edit]

- . Band (music), a group of people who perform instrumental or vocal music
 - . Concert band, an ensemble of woodwind, brass, and percussion instruments
 - · School band, a group of student musicians who rehearse and perform instrumental music together
 - · Marching band, a group of instrumental musicians who generally perform outdoors incorporating some type of marching
 - · Jazz band, a musical ensemble that plays jazz music
- . The Band, a Canadian-American rock and roll group
 - . The Band (album), its eponymous album released in 1969

Clothing, jewelry, and accessories [edit]

- . Bands (neckwear), two pieces of cloth fitted around the neck as part of formal clothing for clergy, academics, and lawyers
- · Bandolier or bandoleer, an ammunition belt
- · Wedding band, a metal ring indicating the wearer is married
- . Belt (clothing), a flexible band or strap, typically made of leather or heavy cloth, and worn around the waist
- · Strap, an elongated flap or ribbon, usually of fabric or leather



The Lesk Algorithm

 Select the sense whose definition shares the most words with the word's context

```
function SIMPLIFIED LESK(word,sentence) returns best sense of word
best-sense <- most frequent sense for word
max-overlap <- 0
context <- set of words in sentence
for each sense in senses of word do
signature <- set of words in the gloss and examples of sense
overlap <- COMPUTEOVERLAP (signature,context)
if overlap > max-overlap then
max-overlap <- overlap
best-sense <- sense
end return (best-sense)
```



The Lesk Algorithm

- Simple to implement
- No training data needed, "only" a lexicon
- Relatively bad results



Supervised Learning

- Training data:
 - A corpus in which each occurrence of the ambiguous word "w" is annotated with its correct sense
 - SemCor: 234,000 sense-tagged from Brown corpus
 - SENSEVAL-1: 34 target words
 - SENSEVAL-2: 73 target words
 - SENSEVAL-3: 57 target words (2081 sense-tagged)



SemCor corpus

```
<s snum=2>
<wf cmd=tag pos=NNP>Mr. Hawksley</wf>
<wf cmd=done pos=VB lemma=say wnsn=1 lexsn=2:32:00::>said</wf>
<wf cmd=tag pos=NN>yesterday</wf>
<wf cmd=ignore pos=PRP>he</wf>
<wf cmd=ignore pos=MD>would</wf>
<wf cmd=done pos=VB ot=metaphor>be</wf>
<wf cmd=tag pos=JJ>willing</wf>
<wf cmd=ignore pos=T0>to</wf>
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<wf cmd=ignore pos=IN>before</wf>
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Feature Selection

- Use the words in the context with a specific window size
 - Collocation
 - Consider all words in a window (as well as their POS) and their position:

$$\{W_{n-3},P_{n-3},W_{n-2},P_{n-2},W_{n-1},P_{n-1},W_{n+1},P_{n+1},W_{n+2},P_{n+2},W_{n+3},P_{n+3}\}$$



Collocation: example

band:

"There would be equal access to all currencies financial instruments and financial services dash and no major constitutional change. As realignments become more rare and exchange rates waver in narrower bands the system could evolve into one of fixed exchange rates."

- Window size: +/- 3
- Context: waver in narrower bands the system could
- $\{W_{n-3}, P_{n-3}, W_{n-2}, P_{n-2}, W_{n-1}, P_{n-1}, W_{n+1}, P_{n+1}, W_{n+2}, P_{n+2}, W_{n+3}, P_{n+3}\}$
- {waver, NN, in , IN , narrower, JJ, the, DT, system, NN , could, MD}



Feature Selection

- Use the words in the context with a specific window size
 - Bag-of-word
 - Consider the frequent words regardless their position
 - Derive a set of k most frequent words in the window from the training corpus
 - Represent each word in the data as a k-dimension vector
 - Find the frequency of the selected words in the context of the current observation

$$\{0,0,0,0,0,1,0,0,1,\dots\}$$



Bag-of-words: example

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- Window size: +/- 3
- Context: waver in narrower bands the system could
- k frequent words for "band":
 - {circle, dance, group, jewelery, music, narrow, ring, rubber, wave}
 - { 0 , 0 , 0 , 0 , 0 , 1 , 0 , 0 , 1 }



Naïve Bayes Classification

 Choose the best sense ŝ out of all possible senses s_i for a feature vector f of the word w

$$\hat{\mathbf{s}} = argmax_{s_i} P(s_i | \vec{f})$$

$$\hat{s} = argmax_{s_i} \frac{P(\vec{f}|s_i)P(s_i)}{P(\vec{f})}$$

 $P(\vec{f})$ has no effect

$$\hat{s} = argmax_{s_i} P(\vec{f}|s_i) P(s_i)$$



Naïve Bayes Classification

$$\hat{s} = argmax_{s_i} P(s_i) \prod_{j=1}^{m} P(f_j | s_i)$$

$$P(s_i) = \frac{\#(s_i)}{\#(w)}$$

 $\#(s_i)$: number of times the sense s_i is used for the word w in the training data #(w): the total number of samples for the word w



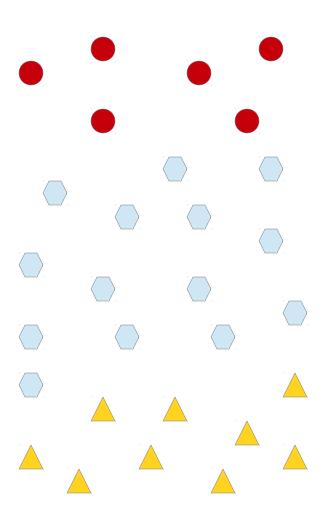
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$$P(f_{j}|s_{i}) = \frac{\#(f_{j},s_{i})}{\#s_{i}}$$

 $\#(f_i,s_i)$: the number of times the feature f_i occurred for the sense s_i of word w $\#(s_i)$: the total number of samples of w with the sense s_i in the training data





- A small amount of labeled data
- A large amount of unlabeled data
- Solution:
- Find the similarity between the labeled and unlabeled data
- Predict the labels of the unlabeled data



- For each sense of "band":
 - Select the most important word which frequently co-occurs with the target word only for this particular sense
 - "play" (music)
 - "elastic" (rubber)
 - "spectrum" (range)



- For each sense of "band":
 - Find the sentences from unlabeled data which contain the target word and the selected word

For example the Jamaican reggae musician Bob Marley and his band The Wailers were known to play the concerts

A rubber band, also known as a binder, elastic band, lackey band, laggy band, "gum band", or elastic, is a short length of rubber and latex, elastic in nature and formed ...

The band spectrum is the combination of many different spectral lines



- For each sense,
 - Label the sentence with the corresponding sense
 - Add the new labeled sentences to the training data



Word similarity

Task

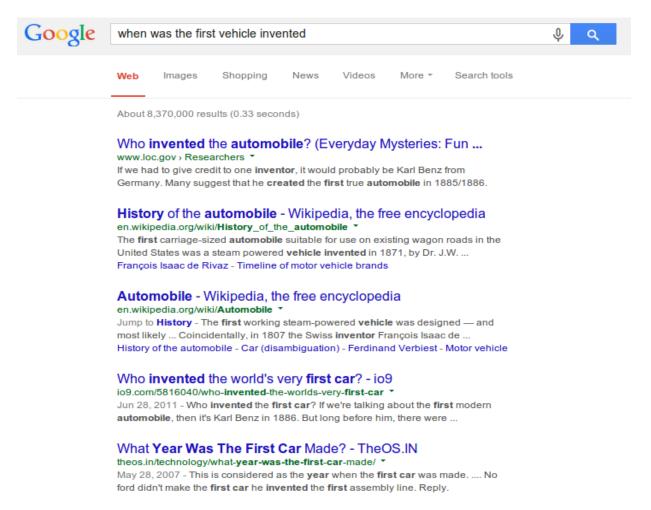
- Find the similarity between two words in a wide range of relations (e.g., relatedness)
- Different of synonymy
- Being defined with a score (degree of similarity)



Word similarity

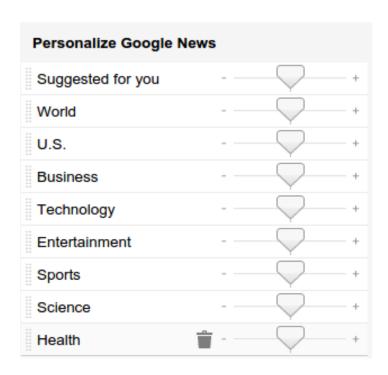


Motivation: Information retrieval & Question Answering





Motivation: Document categorization





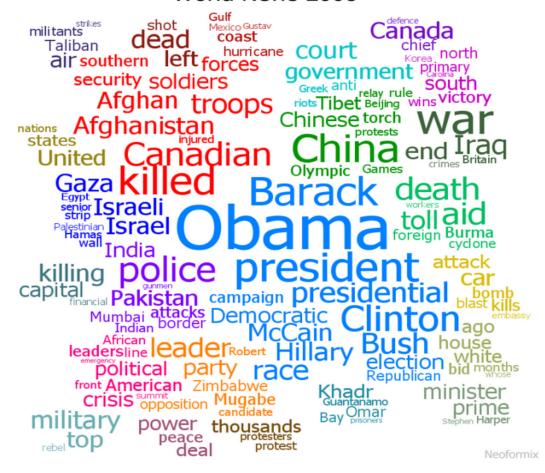
Motivation: Machine translation, summarization, text generation

- Substitute of one word for other in some contexts
 - "The bank is on the left bank of the river"
 - "The financial institution is on the left bank of the river"



Motivation: Word clustering

World News 2008





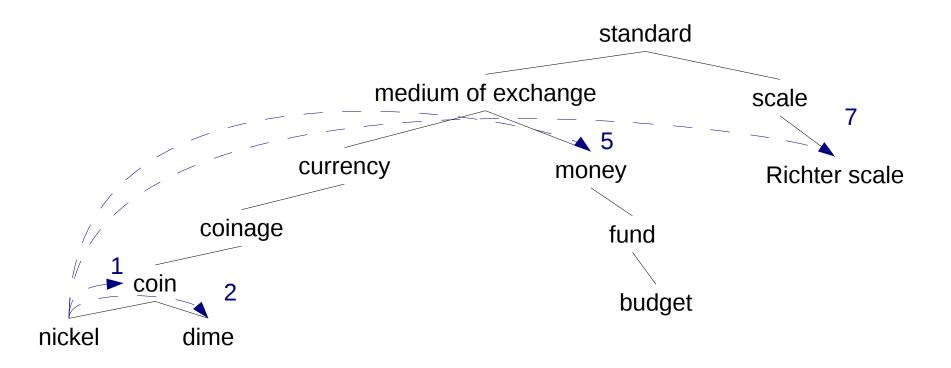
Approaches

- Thesaurus-based
 - Based on their distance in a thesaurus
 - Based on their definition in a thesaurus (gloss)
- Distributional
 - Based on the similarity between their contexts



Thesaurus-based Methods

 Two concepts (sense) are similar if they are "nearby" (short path in the hypernym hierarchy)





Path-base Similarity

• pathlen $(c_1,c_2) = 1 + number of edges in the shortest path between the sense nodes <math>c_1$ and c_2

• $sim_{path}(c_1,c_2) = -log pathlen(c_1,c_2)$

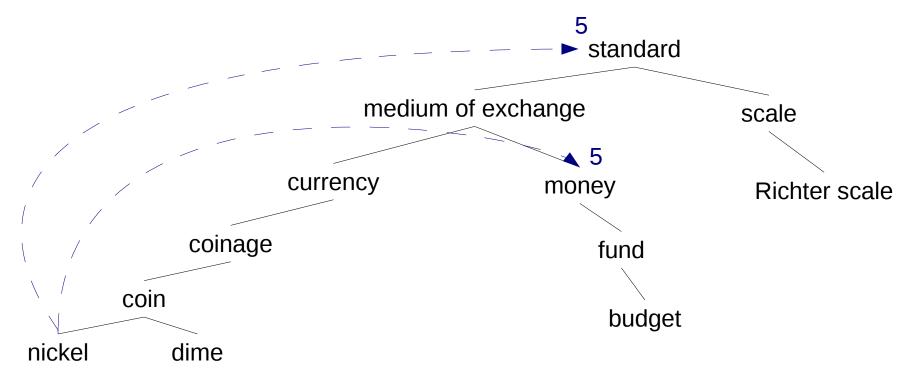
• wordsim(w_1, w_2) = max $c_1 \in senses(w_1), c_2 \in senses(w_2)$ sim(c_1, c_2)

when we have no knowledge about the exact sense (which is the case when processing general text)



Path-base Similarity

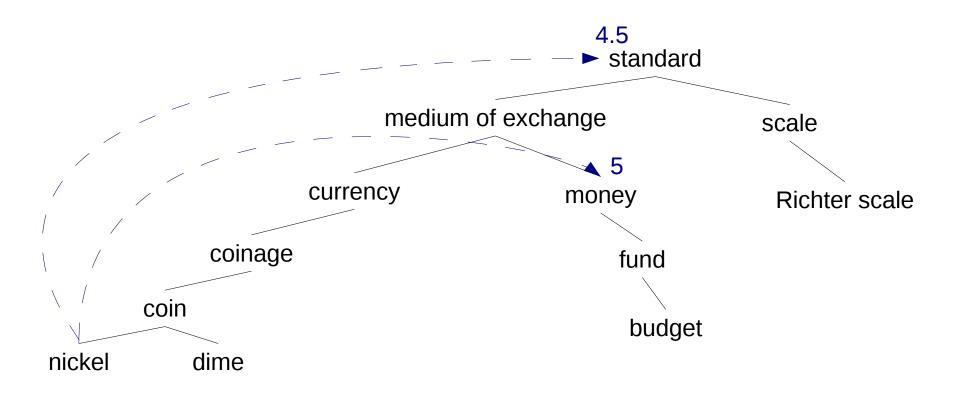
- Shortcoming
 - Assumes that each link represents a uniform distance
 - "nickel" to "money" seems closer than "nickel" to "standard"





Path-base Similarity

- Use a metric which represents the cost of each edge independently
 - ⇒ Words connected only through abstract nodes are less similar



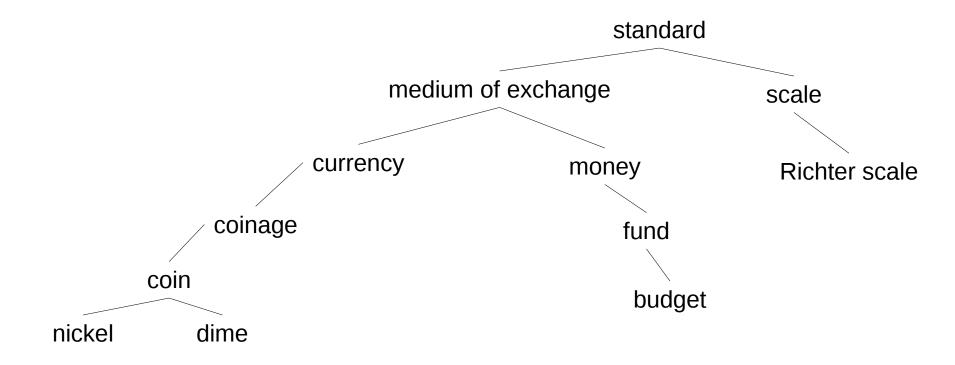


- Assign a probability P(c) to each node of thesaurus
 - P(c) is the probability that a randomly selected word in a corpus is an instance of concept c
 - ⇒ P(root) = 1, since all words are subsumed by the root concept
 - The probability is trained by counting the words in a corpus
 - The lower a concept in the hierarchy, the lower its probability

$$P(c) = \frac{\sum_{w \in words(c)} \# w}{N}$$

- words(c) is the set of words subsumed by concept c
- *N* is the total number of words in the corpus that are available in thesaurus

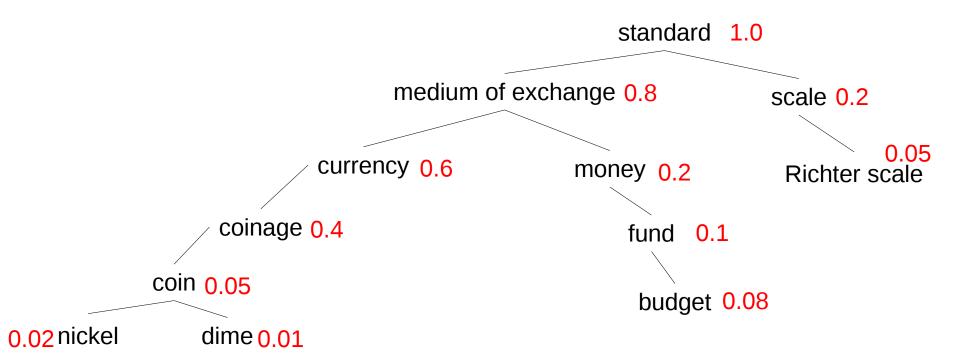




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words(coin) = {nickel, dime}
words(coinage) = {nickel, dime, coin}
words(money) = {budget, fund}
words(medium of exchange) = {nickel, dime, coin, coinage, currency, budget, fund, money}
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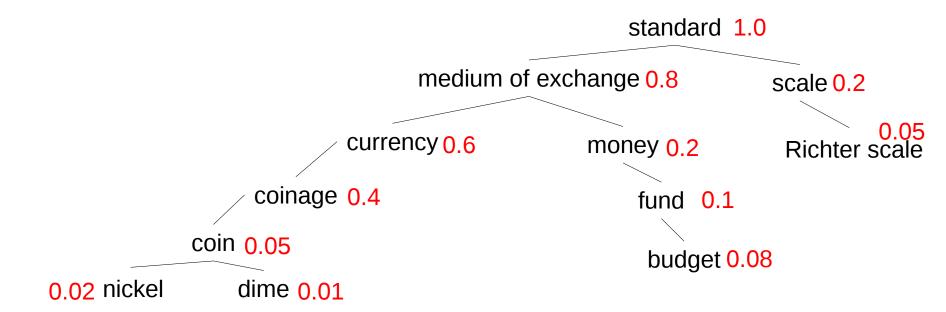
Augment each concept in the hierarchy with a probability P(c)





Information Content (self-information):

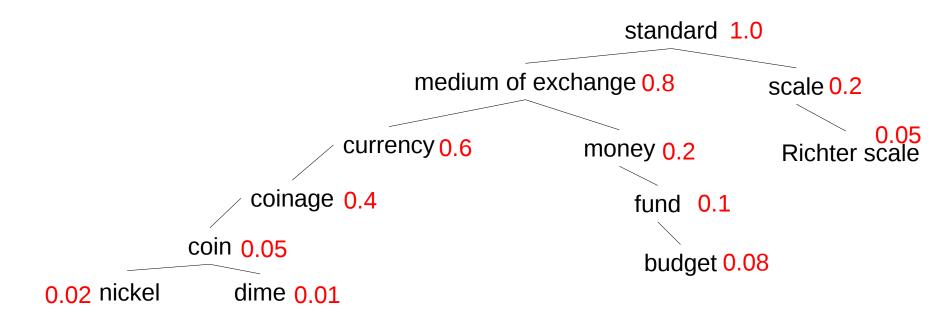
$$IC(c) = - log P(c)$$





Lowest common subsumer:

 $LCS(c_1,c_2)$ = the lowest node that subsumes c_1 and c_2





- Resnik similarity
 - Measure the common amount of information by the information content of the lowest common subsumer of the two concepts

$$sim_{resnik}(c_1,c_2) = -log P(LCS(c_1,c_2))$$

$$sim_{resnik}(dime,nickel) = - log P(coin)$$



- Lin similarity
 - Measure the difference between two concepts in addition to their commonality

$$similarity_{LIN}(c_1, c_2) = \frac{2 \log P(LCS(c_1, c_2))}{\log P(c_1) \log P(c_2)}$$

$$similarity_{LIN}(dime, nickel) = \frac{2 \log P(coin)}{\log P(dime) \log P(nickel)}$$



Jiang-Conrath similarity

$$similarity_{JC}(c_{1},c_{2}) = \frac{1}{\log P(c_{1}) + \log P(c_{2}) - 2\log P(LCS(c_{1},c_{2}))}$$



Extended Lesk

- Look at word definitions in thesaurus (gloss)
- Measure the similarity based on the number of common words in their definition
- Add a score of n² for each n-word phrase that occurs in both glosses

$$\textit{similarity}_{\textit{eLesk}} = \sum_{\textit{r,q} \in \textit{RELS}} \sum \textit{overlap}\left(\textit{gloss}\left(\textit{r}\left(\textit{c}_{1}\right)\right), \textit{gloss}\left(\textit{q}\left(\textit{c}_{2}\right)\right)\right)$$



Extended Lesk

 Compute overlap for other relations as well (gloss of hypernyms and hyponyms)

```
    similarity(A,B) = overlap(gloss(A),gloss(B))
    + overlap(gloss(hypo(A)),gloss(hypo(B)))
    + overlap(gloss(A),gloss(hypo(B)))
    + overlap(gloss(hypo(A)),gloss(B))
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Extended Lesk (example)

- Drawing paper
 - paper that is specially prepared for use in drafting
- Decal
 - the art of transferring designs from specially prepared paper to a wood or glass or metal surface
- common phrases: specially prepared and paper

$$similarity_{eLesk} = 1^2 + 2^2 = 1 + 4 = 5$$



Available Libraries

- WordNet::Similarity
 - Source:
 - http://wn-similarity.sourceforge.net/
 - Web-based interface:
 - http://marimba.d.umn.edu/cgi-bin/similarity/similarity.cgi

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Thesaurus-based Methods

- Shortcomings
 - Many words are missing in thesaurus
 - Only use hyponym info
 - Might useful for nouns, but weak for adjectives, adverbs, and verbs
 - Many languages or domains have no thesaurus
- Alternative
 - Distributional methods for word similarity



Distributional Methods

- Use context information to find the similarity between words
- Guess the meaning of a word based on its context



Distributional Methods

- tezgüino?
 - A bottle of tezgüino is on the table
 - Everybody likes tezgüino
 - Tezgüino makes you drunk
 - We make tezgüino out of corn

What is tezgüino?



Context Representations

- Consider a target term t
- Build a vocabulary of M words ({w₁,w₂,w₃,...,w_M})

Create a vector for t with M features (t = {f₁,f₂,f₃,...,f_M})

• f_i means the number of times the word w_i occurs in the context of t



Context Representations

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```
• t = tezg\ddot{u}ino

vocab = {book, bottle, city, drunk, like, water,...}

t = \{ 0, 1, 0, 1, 1, 0, ... \}
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Word vector or Word embeddings

- Frequently used in many neural networks architectures, e.g., morphology, language models
- Available tools: word2vec, GloVe

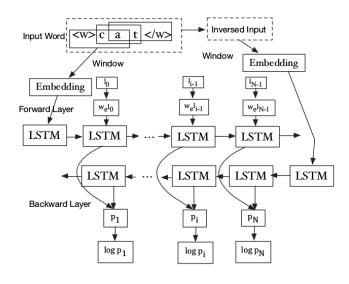
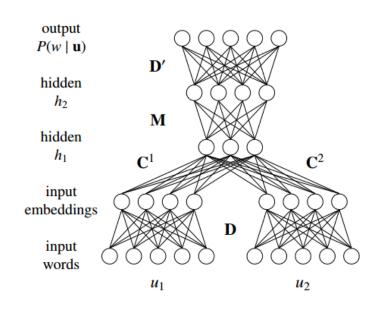


Figure 4: Bidirectional Multi-Window LSTM model



(https://www3.nd.edu/~dchiang/papers/vaswani-emnlp13.pdf)



Context Representations

- Term-term matrix
 - The number of times the context word "c" appear close to the term "t" within a window

term / word	art	boil	data	function	large	sugar	summarize	water
apricot	0	1	0	0	1	2	0	1
pineapple	0	1	0	0	1	1	0	1
digital	0	0	1	3	1	0	1	0
information	0	0	9	1	1	0	2	0



Context Representations

- Goal: find a good metric that based on the vectors of these four words shows
 - [apricot, pineapple] and [digital, information] to be highly similar
 - the other four pairs to be less similar

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digital	0	0	1	3	1	0	1	0
information	0	0	9	1	1	0	2	0



- Size of the context:
 - How are the co-occurrence terms defined? (What is a neighbor?)
 - Window of k words
 - Sentence
 - Paragraph
 - Document



- Weights: How are terms weighted?
 - Binary
 - 1, if two words co-occur (no matter how often)
 - 0, otherwise

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information	0	0	1	1	1	0	1	0



- Weights: How are terms weighted?
 - Frequency
 - Number of times two words co-occur with respect to the total size of the corpus

$$P(t,c) = \frac{\#(t,c)}{N}$$



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$$P(t, c) \{N = 28\}$$

	art	boil	data	function	large	sugar	summarize	water
apricot	0	0.035	0	0	0.035	0.071	0	0.035
pineapple	0	0.035	0	0	0.035	0.035	0	0.035
digital	0	0	0.035	0.107	0.035	0	0.035	0
information	0	0	0.321	0.035	0.035	0	0.071	0



- Weights: How are terms weighted?
 - Pointwise Mutual information
 - Number of times two words co-occur, compared with what we would expect if they were independent

$$PMI(t,c) = \log \frac{P(t,c)}{P(t)P(c)}$$



Pointwise Mutual Information

	art	boil	data	function	large	sugar	summarize	water
apricot	0	0.035	0	0	0.035	0.071	0	0.035
pineapple	0	0.035	0	0	0.035	0.035	0	0.035
digital	0	0	0.035	0.107	0.035	0	0.035	0
information	0	0	0.321	0.035	0.035	0	0.071	0

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$$P(digital) = 0.212$$

 $P(function) = 0.142$

$$P(summarize) = 0.106$$

$$P(information) = 0.462$$

$$PMI\left(digital\;,summarize\right) = \frac{P\left(digital\;,summarize\right)}{P\left(digital\right) \cdot P\left(summarize\right)} = \frac{0.035}{0.212 \cdot 0.106} = 1.557$$

$$PMI(information, function) = \frac{P(information, function)}{P(information) \cdot P(function)} = \frac{0.035}{0.462.0.142} = 0.533$$

PMI(digital, summarize) > PMI(information, function)



- Weights: How are terms weighted?
 - t-test statistic
 - How much more frequent the association is than by chance?

$$t-test(t,c) = \frac{P(t,c)-P(t)P(c)}{\sqrt{P(t)P(c)}}$$



- Vector similarity: Which vector distance metric should be used?
 - Cosine

$$similarity_{cosine}(\vec{v}, \vec{w}) = \frac{\sum_{i} v_{i} \times w_{i}}{\sqrt{\sum_{i} v_{i}^{2}} \sqrt{\sum_{i} w_{i}^{2}}}$$

- Jaccard, Tanimoto, min/max

$$similarity_{jaccard}(\vec{v}, \vec{w}) = \frac{\sum_{i} min(v_{i}, w_{i})}{\sum_{i} max(v_{i}, w_{i})}$$

Dice

$$similarity_{dice}(\vec{v}, \vec{w}) = \frac{2 \cdot \sum_{i} min(v_{i}, w_{i})}{\sum_{i} (v_{i} + w_{i})}$$



Summary

- Semantics
 - Senses, relations
- Word disambiguation
 - Thesaurus-based, (semi-) supervised learning
- Word similarity
 - Thesaurus-based
 - Distributional
 - Features, weighting schemes and similarity algorithms



Further Reading

- Speech and Language Processing (3rd edition draft)
 - https://web.stanford.edu/~jurafsky/slp3/
 - Chapters 15 and 17