ECE57000 Lecture 9: Probabilistic Context-Free Grammars (PCFGs)

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Size Hyperparameters and Indices

- L: number of sentences
- l: sentence index
- $I(l)$: number of words in sentence l
- i: word position in sentence l
- K: number of words in dictionary
- k: word index in dictionary
- J: number of nonterminals
- j: nonterminal index

Random Variables

- $T_{li_1i_2} \in \{1, \ldots, J\}$: nonterminal index that generates substring from position i_1 through i_2 of sentence l
- $W_{li} \in \{1, \ldots, K\}$: word index at position i of sentence l

Model Parameters

- $b_j = \Pr(T_{l1I(l)} = j)\ (\forall l)$
- $a_{j_1 j_2 j_3} = \Pr(T_{li_1 i_2} = j_2, T_{li_2+1 i_3} = j_3 | T_{li_1 i_3} = j_1)\ (\forall l)(\forall i_1)(\forall i_2 \geq i_1)(\forall i_3 \geq i_2 + 1)$
- $c_{jk} = \Pr(W_{li} = k | T_{lii} = j)\ (\forall l)(\forall i)$

Sampling

To compute $s(T)$.

1. Sample either W from c_T or $T'T''$ from a_T.
2. If sampled W, return W.
3. If sampled $T'T''$, return $s(T')s(T'')$.

1. Sample T from b.
2. Return $s(T)$.

Inside Probabilities

- $\alpha_{li_1i_2j} = \Pr(W_{li_1} = k_{li_1}, ..., W_{li_2} = k_{li_2}, T_{li_1i_2} = j | a, b, c)$

Outside Probabilities

- $\beta_{li_1i_2j} = \Pr(W_{l1} = k_{l1}, ..., W_{li-1} = k_{li-1}, W_{li+1} = k_{li+1}, ..., W_{lI(l)} = k_{lI(l)}, T_{li_1,i_2} = j | a, b, c)$

Inside Algorithm

- $\alpha_{liij} = c_{jW_{li}} \ (\forall l)(\forall i)(\forall j)$
- $\alpha_{li_1i_2j} = \sum_{j_1,j_2,i_1 \le i, i+1 \le i_2} a_{jj_1j_2} \alpha_{li_1ij_1} \alpha_{li+1i_2j_2} \ (\forall l)(\forall i_1)(\forall i_2)(\forall j)$

Outside Algorithm

- $\beta_{l1I(l)j} = b_j \ (\forall l)(\forall j)$
- $\beta_{li_1i_2j} = \sum_{j_1,j_2,i<i_1} a_{j_1j_2j}\alpha_{lii_1-1j_2}\beta_{lii_2j_1} + \sum_{j_1,j_2,i_2<i} a_{j_1jj_2}\alpha_{li_2+1ij_2}\beta_{li_1ij_1}$

Likelihood Estimation

- $\Pr(W_{l1} = k_{l1}, ..., W_{lI(l)} = k_{lI(l)} | a, b, c)$
- $= \sum_j b_j \alpha_{l1I(l)j}$
- $= \sum_j \beta_{liij} c_{lW_{li}} \ (\forall i)$

Inside-Outside Algorithm

- $\gamma_{li_1i_2j} = \Pr(W_{l1} = k_{l1}, ..., W_{lI(l)} = k_{lI(l)}, T_{li_1i_2} = j | a, b, c) \propto \alpha_{li_1i_2j}\beta_{li_1i_2j}$

Baker-Lari-Young Reestimation Procedure

- $b_j :\propto \sum_{l} \gamma_{l1I(l)j} \ (\forall j)$
- $a_{j_1 j_2 j_3} :\propto \sum_{l, i_1 \leq i_2, i_2+1 \leq i_3} \gamma_{l i_1 i_3 j_1} \gamma_{l i_1 i_2 j_2} \gamma_{l i_2+1 i_3 j_3} \ (\forall j_1)(\forall j_2)(\forall j_3)$
- $c_{jk} :\propto \sum_{l,i,W_{li}=k} \gamma_{liij} \ (\forall j)(\forall k)$