

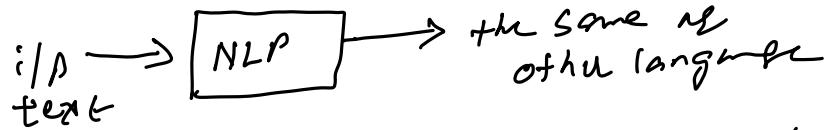
# Introduction to Natural Language

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## Processing:

→ Computer system which can-

- ① - analyse
- ② - attempt to understand and
- ③ - produce one or more human language o/p text  
with I/P or English or any other language



I/mput: Can be text, spoken i/p, Keyboard i/p

NLP Task - translate to other language

- to comprehend
- represent the content of text  
(e.g. parse tree, on(cat, mat) for "cat is on mat")  
↑ Predicate logic

- to build a database, sentence: "Customer A purchased a pen, book, and PC  
Customer B purchased 2 PCs"  
 $\downarrow$  DB

Can be  
Described  
by SQL  $\rightarrow$

	Customer	Item	Qty	Total
A	pen	1	book	1 PL
B	.	-	-	2 PL

- Generate summaries  
(10 page to 1 page)
- maintain dialog with user (database)
- Information retrieval

"Understand"? How to write a program that understands language?

How to measure/test if a computer (Prog)  
has correctly understood the language?

"TT - Testing Test"

Limitations of Taking Test:- System's progress cannot be plotted in stages.

- the evaluation cannot be done at each stage, like it is done for in consider for lexical analysis, syntax analysis, ...

In the absence of  
step by step (stage by stage

test) its performance cannot be evaluated critically;

NLP → mostly solved: - spelling check, text categorization, pos  
↓ named entity recognition. tagging

"The Jaipur departmental store"

"The Bhadrak bus depo"

"The modern school" is open

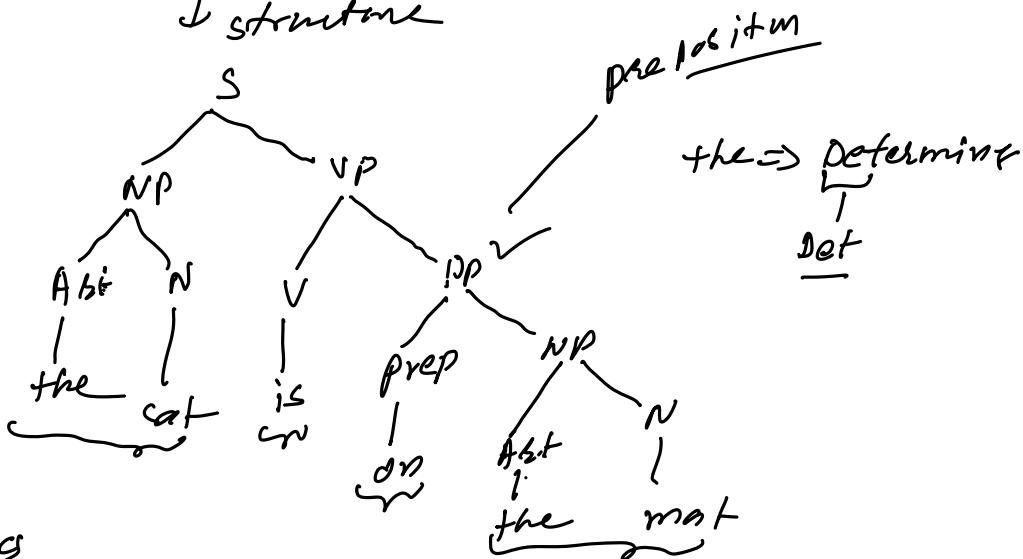
Terms essential for understanding of NLP →

## ① Syntax (and ambiguity)

↳ form, structure (e.g. syntax tree)

"The cat is <sup>the</sup> on <sub>a</sub> mat".  
↓ structure

→  
Structure  
of &  
no mention  
about  
meaning  
or semantics



Ambiguity? "I saw man with telescope!"  
Given the text (arg) - we check if it is grammatically ok.  
↓ check syntax

(2) Semantics : study of meanings of words, and how these combine to form meaning of the entire sentence.

Synonymy: fall, autumn.

Hypernymy:

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graph TD; animal -- "Hypernym" --> dog; dog -- "is a" --> is_a["is a"]; is_a -- "Hyponym" --> animal
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(3) Pragmatics & understand it how the language is used to accomplish the goals — influence the context of meaning which depends on situation, and world-knowledge

Give me the Salt.

Can you please give me the Salt? ✓

## ⑤ Discourse and its analysis:

(e.g. discussion, a religious discourse)

→ study of linguistic units larger than single sentence.

Ex.

a) John reads a book. <sup>He borrowed it from his friend.</sup>  
↑  
John

b) Alice understands that you like your mother,

↑  
girl

but she - - - -

↑  
Alice ?  
your mother ?.

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