Homework 9: WordNet

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In this exercise you will:

- measure semantic similarity of words using WordNet
- find hyponyms of the given hypernyms in the text

This homework will be graded using unit tests by running: python3 -m unittest -v hw09_wordnet/test_wordnet.py

Exercise 1: WordNet semantic similarity [8 points]

Use the predefined path-based similarity measures (accessible with the use of

synset1.path_similarity(synset2)) to score the similarity of each of the following pairs of words: car-automobile, gem-jewel, journey-voyage, boy-lad, coast-shore, asylummadhouse, magician-wizard, midday-noon, furnace- stove, food-fruit, bird-cock, birdcrane, tool-implement, brother-monk, lad- brother, crane-implement, journey-car, monkoracle, cemetery-woodland, food- rooster, coast-hill, forest-graveyard, shore-woodland, monk-slave, coast-forest, lad-wizard, chord-smile, glass-magician, rooster-voyage, noonstring.

- 1. In noun_similarity.py implement the function get_similarity_scores(pairs) so that it ranks the pairs in order of decreasing similarity. Hint: the similarity of a pair should be represented by the similarity of the most similar pair of synsets they have. [4 points]
- 2. In noun_similarity.py implement the function leave_odd_man_out(words) so that it returns the odd word from the given list of words. Hint: use the implemented function get_similarity_scores(pairs). [4 points]

Exercise 2: Finding Hyponyms with WordNet [10 points]

In this exercise, you will write a program to find nouns (hyponyms) that belong to certain categories (hypernyms) in wordnet. These categories are **relative**, **science** and **illness**.

Download the file ada_lovelace.txt into the data/ folder of your project. Take a look at the file hw09_wordnet/find_hyponyms.py. Complete some methods to find hyponyms:

- 1. In the class constructor determine all noun lemmas from ada_lovelace.txt following the steps:
 - Read text as a string
 - Split text into sentences: use nltk.sent_tokenize
 - Split sentences into tokens: use nltk.word_tokenize
 - Perform POS tagging of tokens
 - Lemmatize nouns (any token whose POS tags start with "N"): use WordNetLemmatizer()
 - Determine all noun lemmas [6 points]
- 2. Implement the class method hypernymOf(self,synset1, synset2) by returning True if synset2 is a hypernym of synset1, or if they are the same synsets. Return False otherwise. **Hint**: use synset1.hypernyms(); do not forget to check whether the hypernym of synset1 is hypernym of synset2 (use recursion). [1 point]
- 3. Implement the class method get_hyponyms(self,hypernym). This method should return set of noun lemmas in ada_lovelace.txt that are hyponyms (subordinates) to the hypernym. [3 points]

The output would then look as follows:

Synset: relative.n.01 Lemmas: father, wife, baby, boy, parent, grandchild, son, relation, relative, Family, mother, child, girl, half-sister, daughter, husband Synset: science.n.01 Lemmas: calculus, phrenology, anatomy, Science, science, government, Magnetism, math, thermodynamics, analysis, mathematics

Synset: illness.n.01 Lemmas: measles, cancer, illness, madness, disease