

Class 25: Project: Text Generation (Part One)

Held: Monday, March 5, 2007

Summary: Today we begin our first project of the semester. Projects are an attempt to have you apply the techniques you've learned to a particular problem domain. In this project, we consider the generation of English text.

Related Pages:

- EBoard.
- Lab: Project: Text Generation (Part One).
- Reading: Project: Text Generation (Part One).

Notes:

- Reading for tomorrow: More about text generation.
- Your goal for this week: Figure out text generation and then generate something interesting.

Overview:

- The Project.
- Strategies.
- Dividing the Work.
- Lab.

Overview

- Our goal: To generate “interesting” English sentences.
- Our techniques:
 - One procedure for each structure (sentence, noun-phrase)
 - A general procedure for each word (noun, transitive verb, adjective, etc)
 - Words are stored in files with frequencies.
- Today we consider the basics.
- In the next class, we further generalize our code.
- In the project, you pick a particular type of code and customize.

Lab

- Work on the lab.
- Be prepared to reflect.

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