

**NATURAL LANGUAGE PROCESSING  
(CSEN 4161)**

**Time Allotted : 3 hrs**

**Full Marks : 70**

*Figures out of the right margin indicate full marks.*

*Candidates are required to answer Group A and  
any 5 (five) from Group B to E, taking at least one from each group.*

*Candidates are required to give answer in their own words as far as practicable.*

**Group - A  
(Multiple Choice Type Questions)**

1. Choose the correct alternative for the following: **10 × 1 = 10**
- (i) Phonology is study of organizing  
(a) sound systematically (b) signal processing  
(c) speech and Language processing (d) none of these.
- (ii) Semantics is concerned with \_\_\_\_\_.  
(a) measure the information (b) meaning of words  
(c) correct the information (d) handle the noise.
- (iii) Analysis of words in the sentence for grammar and arranging words in a manner that shows the relationship among the words is done through.  
(a) Lexical Analysis (b) Syntactic Analysis  
(c) Symentic Analysis (d) None of these.
- (iv) The grammar that consists rules with a single symbol on the left hand side of thr rewrite rules  
(a) CFG (b) CNG (c) any context (d) HMM.
- (v) Classifiers used for decidind whether a word is spelled correctly are  
(a) decision tree (b) support vector machine  
(c) logistic regression (d) all of these.
- (vi) To set up part of speech problem as a sequence labelling task we use  
(a) Argmax computation (b) Applying Bayes Theorem  
(c) Markov Assumption (d) All of these.
- (vii) Subcategorize of verbs is classified into  
(a) transitive (b) intransitive  
(c) both (a) and (b) (d) None of these.

- (viii) Smoothing is, is called smoothing.  
(a) reevaluating some of the zero-probability  
(b) low-probability N-grams intransitive  
(c) assigning them non-zero values  
(d) all the above.
- (ix) The parsing problem for PCFGs is to  
(a) disjunction of character  
(b) produce the most-likely parse for a given sentence  
(c) compute  
(d) both (b) & (c).
- (x) Machine learning approaches to sense disambiguation make it possible  
(a) to automatically create robust sense disambiguation systems  
(b) find ambiguity  
(c) apply Baye's Rule  
(d) none of these.

**Group - B**

2. (a) Explain Regular Expression.  
(b) Differentiate between Inflectional Morphology and Derivational Morphology with example. **6 + 6 = 12**
3. (a) Explain the Chomsky hierarchy of languages. Construct the parse tree for the sentence 'The man took the book from me'.  
(b) Compare 'Top-down' and 'Bottom-up' approaches to NLP. **(4 + 3) + 5 = 12**

**Group - C**

4. (a) Explain different models of computational phonology that use finite automata in various ways to realize phonological rules.  
(b) What is the need of POS (Part-of Speech) Tagging in NLP? **7 + 5 = 12**
5. (a) Why is smoothing necessary for NLP? Explain Witten-Bell smoothing.  
(b) Give the equation of trigram probability estimation and provide suitable examples to explain them. **6 + 6 = 12**

**Group - D**

6. (a) Explain the semantics of First Order Predicate Calculus and its role in representing meaning.  
restaurant (AyCaramba)  $\wedge$  serves(AyCaramba, mexican-food)  $\wedge$   
near (location(AyCaramba), location (ICSI))  
Explain when the above statement may be true.
- (b) How are Transformation Based Learning Rules applied in NLP?  
**(5 + 2) + 5 = 12**
7. (a) What is meant by 'word sense disambiguation'? Briefly outline a selectional association based word sense disambiguation algorithm.
- (b) Write a short note to explain "Two Level Morphology".  
**(3 + 4) + 5 = 12**

**Group - E**

8. (a) Explain the term "the entropy of a random variable X, with a suitable example.
- (b) Explain how, under Information Theory, the concept of "entropy" can be used as a metric to evaluate an N-gram system.  
**6 + 6 = 12**
9. (a) What is a "confusion matrix"? Why and where is a confusion matrix necessary? Define "likelihood probability" using Bayes method.
- (b) Write a short note on rhetorical relation in discourse planning.  
**6 + 6 = 12**