C SC 620 Advanced Topics in Natural Language Processing

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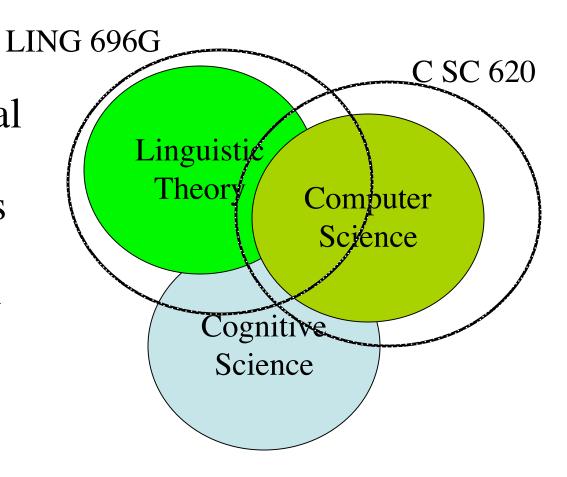
Natural Language Processing (NLP)

- Very broad, interdisciplinary field:
 - At the intersection of linguistics, computer science, cognitive science ...
- Areas include:
 - Parsing methods and grammar formalisms
 - Machine translation
 - Large-scale resources: corpora, dictionaries, ontologies
 - Information retrieval, classification ...
 - Document processing and summarization
 - etc.

Scope of Class

Another
 computational
 linguistics
 seminar class
 this semester

- LING 696G
- Time:Mondays 3-5:30 pm



Administrivia

- Email: sandiway@email.arizona.edu
- Course Homepage:
 - Notes, announcements, papers, readings
 - http://linguistics.arizona.edu/~sandiway/csc620
 - not yet set up ...
- Requirements:
 - Advanced class: seminar format
 - Summarize and present one paper in class for discussion
 - Term project or paper

Administrivia

- Email me:
 - Name
 - Background
 - Why are you interested in NLP?
 - Specific topics you'd like to see covered?
 - Preferences for class time
 - Available times
 - One class per week or two?

Start with...



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• WordNet:

- a large-scale ontology-based network for nouns, verbs, adjectives and adverbs
- Freely available
- http://www.cogsci.princeton.edu/~wn/
- Download WordNet to your computer
- Get the 5 core papers
 - we'll begin looking at them next time