## ULMFiT Embedding(s) for Context and Extended Gloss Intersection for Marathi Word Sense Disambiguation

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### Abstract

Ambiguities in the word meanings makes all the natural language processing (NLP) tasks very difficult, word sense disambiguation (WSD) is used to resolve these ambiguities. Now a day's NLP-based human assistive systems are in demand, in which machines are expected to resolve word sense ambiguities. Today, due to the availability of machine readable dictionaries knowledge-based WSD approaches have become popular; it explores semantic relations between the contextual features and possible glosses of the given ambiguous word. Inductive transfer learning-based language models have great potential to represent the different semantic features of the word, which can be used in various NLP tasks. Universal language model fine-tuning for text classification (ULMFiT) is a popular transfer learning model used to embed various semantic features in digitally resource scare and morphologically rich language like marathi. In this reported work, the ambiguous words from the Marathi input sentence is extracted and have obtained its possible synset and glosses from IndoWordNet, these glosses are then extended using hypernym and hyponym relations. We have obtained the word embedding of marathi context and extended glosses using ULMFiT model. For the test run, we have crafted the test-bed of 6000 marathi sentences of 280 moderately ambiguous words harvested from marathi websites, which caters for 1200 senses. The winner sense is declared based on the maximum intersection score between the pair of context and gloss embedding. We have obtained the average accuracy up to 57.10% for our dataset.

**Keywords:** Marathi Word Sense Disambiguation, Lexical Relations, Neural Langauge Modeling, ULMFiT Model, Word Embedding.

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### INTRODUCTION

Ambiguities in the word meanings is a classical problem in natural language processing (NLP), it occurs due to the presence of ambiguous words in the sentence and it makes all the NLP tasks very difficult. Humans use their world knowledge, cultural background, and previous experience to resolve such ambiguities. Due to advent of NLP-based human assistive systems and there growing demand, the machines are expected to tackle this issue, but due lack of human-like intelligence it is not able to handle this issue, hence it causes a big challenge as well as research opportunities in NLP. Word sense disambiguation (WSD) task deals with this challenge. WSD has many applications in various NLP applications like sentiment analysis, machine translation, information retrieval, question answering, text analysis, text entailment, semantic role labeling etc. rely on WSD.<sup>[1]</sup> Knowledge-based WSD approaches are simple and have greater coverage and scalability, which are knowledge lean. Due to the availability of machine readable dictionaries these WSD approaches became popular. Knowledge-based overlap WSD uses intersection between the sentential features of context and gloss. The sense which having maximum semantic related-based intersection is selected as the contextually

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appropriate sense. Marathi is a digitally resource scarce and morphologically rich Indian language, due to its resource scarce nature, to model it semantically using the existing RNN and LSTM-based language models, it imposes constraints as these models needs huge amount of data, so RNN and LSTMbased models overfit to NLP dataset and faces catastrophic forgetting. ULMFiT is the robust transfer learning model, which works on any number of documents of any size(s) and

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does not requires additional domain knowledge (labels), so it addresses these issues faced in RNN and LSTM.<sup>[2]</sup> In this reported work, we have studied ULMFiT model and used it to represent the various word features of Marathi deeply. The technique presented is an application of transfer learning in conjunction with IndoWordNet that defines word synsets along with extended gloss. In the proposed approach, various lexical semantics and the contextual intersections among the pair of context and extended gloss embedding(s) are measured for the task of marathi WSD. The following sections describes prior art followed by the detailed discussion on ULMFiT model, the brief description of marathi context and extended gloss embedding, semantic relatedness-based intersection and then used it for the task of marathi WSD.

#### **Prior Art**

Depending on the granularity of corpora, WSD approaches are classified into two categories knowledge-based and machine learning-based.<sup>[3,4]</sup> Most of the well-known WSD approached are studied in Patil et al. 2020.<sup>[4]</sup>

During our study, it is observed that knowledge-based WSD has been investigated over the period of three decades. A knowledge-based WSD approach uses distributional similarity, thesaurus-based similarity and overlapped approach.<sup>[1,3,4]</sup> Distributional similarity uses distributional context, while thesaurus-based similarity uses relations in lexical semantics. Overlapped-based WSD approach uses the maximum overlap between the context and gloss of an ambiguous word, accordingly it selects the winner senses.<sup>[1]</sup> M. Lesk <sup>[5]</sup> proposed 'Lesk algorithm' for gloss overlappedbased WSD for English. Lesk algorithm looks the overlap between the words in the dictionary definitions with the text surroundings. The only resource required by the algorithm is a set of dictionary entries, one for each possible word sense, and knowledge about the immediate context where the sense disambiguation is performed. Lesk is a surface level work, it treats only the overlap among the context and sense bag, where sense glosses are fairly short and are not able to provide the sufficient distinctions between relatedness, it is susceptive to the exact gloss of the synset and hence presence or absence of certain word empirically change the result. Banerjee and Pedersen [2003]<sup>[6]</sup> extended Lesk approach; they have used the relationship in the machine readable dictionary WordNet and extended features of the gloss overlapped for english WSD, they measured the relatedness of two word concepts from the english WordNet and proved that synset relations greatly improve the performance of lesk for english WSD by 19%. They have used overlap-based detection and scoring mechanism, it may generates tie among the score of multiple scenes, in this case it reports all tie score sense as a winner sense and it also assumes that target word must be at the center always, both are not the case of empirical evidence. Patil et al. [2021],<sup>[1]</sup> used path-based semantic and information content similarity measures for English WSD, Marathi sense repositories like

WordNet and IndoWodNet are not suitable for structural similarity measures. In the literature, it is observed that most of the efforts have been done for the disambiguation of international languages, the efforts in this regards for Indian language like marathi are in prior stage.

The neural-based language models are used to represent the syntax and semantic information in the word sequence of natural language; they explore plenty of features from the granularity of corpora, which are discussed in the next section.

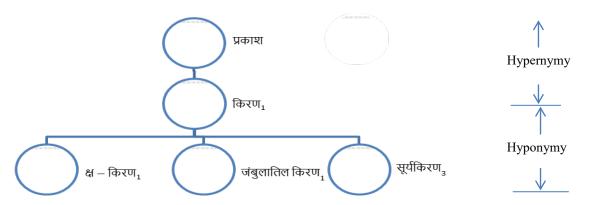
## Representation of Word Sequence using Neural Language Models

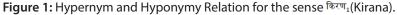
The representation of syntax and semantic information in the word sequence using language models has attracted inductive transfer learning in various NLP tasks. Inductive transfer learning language models uses various neural architecture, which are pre-trained continuous language models.<sup>[7]</sup> These models generate intermediate valued representations called 'word embedding'. word embedding is the real-valued representation of the word, which allows the words to have similar representation for similar meanings and different representation for different meanings with respect to the context.<sup>[8]</sup> Word2Vec<sup>[9]</sup>, GloVe<sup>[10]</sup> and FastText<sup>[11]</sup> provides a single and independent contextual representation for the same word in different contexts and it becomes static in nature. In the representation of polysemy, it is necessary to accommodate the complete sentential context, so to handle the issues of missing context information, Peters et al. (2018)<sup>[12]</sup> proposed bi-LSTM deep contextualized word representation called as ELMo<sup>[12-14]</sup> leads more steps of computations and applicable to only the fixed dimension encoding and embedding. LSTM and its parent RNN requires millions of documents for pre-training,<sup>[10,15]</sup> but NLP systems are limited in dataset, so it faces the problem of catastrophic forgetting, so limits the applicability in NLP also existing transfer learning methods for NLP required task-specific modifications and in NLP, as we know the existing domain and the domain of interest are different to solve this challenge. Ruder and Howard (2018)<sup>[2]</sup> improved transfer learning and developed ULMFiT, robust generative pre-training learning model, it does not requires additional in domain documents and labels also works on varying documents number and size, hence it addresses the issues of overfit and catastrophic forgetting in RNN and LSTM-based models.<sup>[2]</sup> In this study, ULMFiT is used to encode and represent the hypernym and hyponym-based extended gloss and the context for the task of marathi WSD.

#### Motivation

Marathi has more word sense ambiguity, which makes all the marathi NLP tasks very difficult.<sup>[4,16]</sup> Now a days, due to the availability of sense repositories, overlapped based approaches becomes popular, but existing overlapped-bases WSD approaches<sup>[5]</sup> and<sup>[6]</sup> limited in the clue and scores for







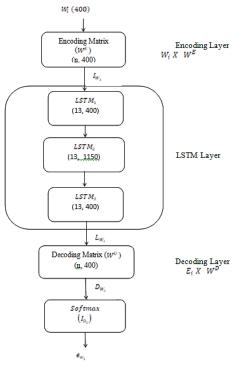


Figure 2: Transfer Learning in ULMFiT

the short context and gloss, consequently the possibility of generating the same score for more glosses is increased and it limits the overall performance of the disambiguation task. A possible solution to this problem is to incorporate the lexical relations like hypernym and hyponym and extend the gloss and then represent the gloss and context using neural-based ULMFiT contextual embedding, so that it will improve the coverage and generalization ability of the context and gloss intersection and get the variety of the clues and matching scores for the possible sense of the given ambiguous words.

# Extraction of Gloss and Extended Gloss from IndoWodnet

The proposed WSD system accepts the marathi sentence, preprocess it and extract the most ambiguous word from the given input sentence. For this ambiguous word, it then explore the IndoWordnet and extract it's all possible synsets

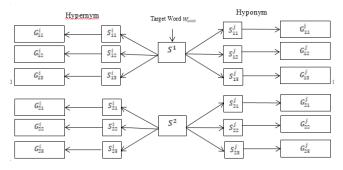


Figure 3: Extension of Gloss using Hypernyms and Hyponyms Relations.

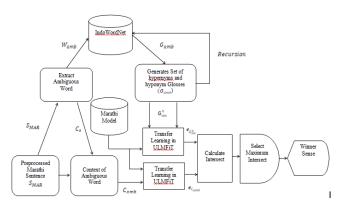


Figure 4: Architecture of Extended Gloss Intersection Measures for Marathi WSD.

and recursively for each synset it extracts hyponymy relations like hypernym and hyponym synsets and their glosses, these hypernym and hyponym glosses for the particular synset is called as 'extended gloss'. In marathi sentence **1** w**Zdlkk** v**fXipsefg I=b vlgs ; lefsl wlfisfdj.k'ljljlykdljMdjrk, T, lefis 'ljljr' 'Hryrk vlf.k filk ný glss** (Sūryaprakāśa, agnicē mukhya strōta āhē, yāmulē sūryācē kirana śarīrālā kōradē karatāta, jyāmulē śarīrāta śītalatā āni pitta dūra hōtē/sunlight is the main source of fire, so the sun's rays dry the body, which removes coldness and bile from the body), for the ambiguous word **fdj.k**(Kirana), IndoWodnet has two senses, **çdlkfdj.k**(Prakāśakirana/ray of light) and **ipcmiy ilp cefka ligh, d** (Pancagangētīla pāca pramukha



Table 1: Accuracy, Precision, Recall and $F_1$ Score of Intersection-based WSD framework						
PoS	Total Sent.	Total Synset	Accuracy in %	Precision in %	Recall in %	<b>F<sub>1</sub></b> Score in %
Noun	4560	875	57.3	63.0	62.4	62.7
Adj	1160	235	55.2	61.3	60.0	60.6
Adv	160	42	51.2	56.0	58.3	57.1
Verb	120	48	50.0	53.1	48.6	50.7
All	6000	1200	57.1	62.0	62.5	62.3

nadyāmpaikī ēka/ One major river in the Panchganga)For the synset **çdlklfdj.k**(Prakāśakirana/ray of light) the hypernym is **çdlkk** (Prakāśa/light) i.e. **fdj.k**(Kirana), is a kind of **çdlklķ mt M vhyldj nhfr] rtj çllţ vllţ** | **qh**(Prakāśa, ujēda, ālōka, dīpti, tēja, prabhā, ābhā, dyutī/light) and hyponyms are **{l&fdj.ţ toykrh fdj.ķ v; fdj.k** (Ksa-kirana, jambulātīta kirana, sūryakirana/x-ray) i.e. **{l&fdj.k**(Ksa-kirana/X-rays) is a kind of **fdj.k**(Kirana) and for the synset **i pxms hy ilp çeţik u** | **hâh , d** (Pancagangētīla pāca pramukha nadyāmpaikī ēka/ One major river in the Panchganga) the hypernym is **unh** (Nadī/river) and hyponyms is **tyjklh** (Jalarāśī/water stream). Figure 1 shows the Hypernym and Hyponymy for the Marathi word Kiran.

# ULMFiT for Obtaining the Embedding(s) of Marathi Sentence

Inductive transfer learning models does not need to train from scratch, so they overcomes the issues of labeled data (18), in inductive transfer learning, the model is pre-trained on source task which is different than the target task.<sup>[19]</sup> ULMFiT is a inductive transfer learning-based language model.<sup>[2]</sup> In this work, to model the marathi language, ULMFiT is pre-trained on iNLTK marathi model.

## Transfer learning in ULMFiT for Marathi Sentence

For modeling the marathi language, ULMFiT is pre-trained on iNLTKs' vocabulary of Marathi wikipedia articles. Figure 2 shows the detailed pre-training of ULMFiT model for marathi. To obtain the contextualized embedding of the given marathi sentence  $S_{MAR}$ , first it has to be tokenized and encoded with an integer and then prepares the vector of each token by one-hot vector method. Let  $C_s = (W_1, W_2, W_3, \dots, W_{amb}, \dots, W_n)$  be the sequence of n number of one hot vector, which get feed into the ULMFiT model. ULMFiT model will then prepare the sentential context Camb of the 13 word vectors of the ambiguous word (6 from left and 6 from right)  $W_{amb}$ , where  $C_{amb} = (W_1, W_2, W_3, \dots, W_{amb}, \dots, W_{13})$ . Pre-defined learnable encoding matrix  $W^{E}$ , where  $W^{E} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times 400}$ , in which nis the number of unique vocabulary tokens in the iNLTK marathi model and embedding size equals 400, which is the 400d vector for each token. One hot encoding match each encoded token of the input sentence  $C_s$  gives a tensor  $C_{amb}$  , where  $C_{amb} = (W_1, W_2, W_3, \dots, W_{amb}, \dots, W_{13})$ of the 13 vectors, where each  $W \in \mathbb{R}^{1 \times n}$ , here 13 is the

context window for the input sentence, if the context size of the input sentence is less than 13, then padding will get applied and if it is more than 13, then ULMFiT will considers 13 tokens only, in this way the model will understand each word of the input sentence. To obtain initial embedding(s)  $I_E = (I_{W_{1}}, I_{W_{2}}, I_{W_{3}}, \dots, I_{W_{amb}}, \dots, I_{W_{13}})$  for each encoded token of the sentence  $S_{MAR}$ , Each one hot encoded tensor in  $C_{amb} = (W_1, W_2, W_3, \dots, W_{amb}, \dots, W_{13})$  is multiplied with the learnable encoding matrix  $W^E$  by  $W_i X W^E = I_{W_i}$ , where  $\mathbf{i}$  is the index of word W and  $I_{W_i} \in \mathbb{R}^{1 \times 400}$ , which generates 13 initial embedding(s), these initial embedding(s)  $I_{\rm F}$  are then passed through the stack of three long short term memory (LSTM) architectures. LSTM1, LSTM2 and LSTM3 which are cascaded to each other and are used to remember the sentential contextual information for long dependency and period (20), where  $LSTM_1 \in R^{13 \times 1 \times 400}$ ,  $LSTM_2 \in R^{13 \times 1 \times 1150}$ and  $LSTM_3 \in \mathbb{R}^{13 \times 1 \times 400}$ , where 1150 are the number of hidden states in LSTM2. The output sequence of the LSTM3 is a encoded sequence called as  $L_{W_i}$ , where  $L_{W_i} \in R^{1Xn}$ then  $L_{W_i}$  is multiplied with learnable pre-defined decoder matrix  $W^D$  by  $L_{W_i} X W^D = D_{W_i}$ , where  $W^D \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times 400}$ and  $D_{W_i} \in \mathbb{R}^{1 \times 400}$ . The values in  $D_{W_i}$  are in different range, so Softmax(D<sub>Wi</sub>) is used to normalized it into the range between the contextual probabilities [0 to 1] and this probability distribution is the contextual word embedding  $e_{w_i}$  for the given word  $W_i$ .

$$e_{w_i} = Softmax(D_{W_i})_{400} = \frac{e^{D_{W_i}}}{\sum_{i=1}^{400} e^{D_{W_i}}}$$

in this way every probable value in  $e_{w_i}$  indicates the probabilities of the next contextual token in the sentence based on the all previous contextual features, this value is called as contextual embedding(s)  $e_{c_{amb}} = (e_{w_1}, e_{w_2}, e_{w_3}, \dots, e_{w_{amb}}, \dots, e_{w_{1s}})$  of each word sequence  $C_{amb} = (W_1, W_2, W_3, \dots, W_{amb}, \dots, W_{13})$  respectively by the ULMFiT model.

# ULMFiT for Marathi Context and Extended Glosses Embedding

As shown in Figure 3, the glosses of senses  $S^1$  and  $S^2$  will get extended using various *hypernymy and hyponym relations* and then pre-trained ULMFiT model is used to generate the embedding(s) of extended glosses and context of the ambiguous word.



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As shown in figure 3, Let  $W_{amb}$  be the target ambiguous word extracted from the sentential sequence of Marathi context,  $C_{amb} = (W_1, W_2, W_3, \dots, W_{amb}, \dots, W_{13})$  and IndoWordNet is used to explore and extract all the possible synsets of  $W_{amb}$ , which are  $S_{ij}^t = (S_{11}^1, S_{22}^2, S_{33}^3, S_{44}^4, \dots, S_{ij}^t)$ and glosses  $G_{ij}^t = (G_{11}^1, G_{22}^2, G_{33}^3, G_{44}^4, \dots, G_{ij}^t)$  where i and j are the hypernym and hyponym of the synset  $S_{ij}^t$ . Using lexical semantics, we have extracted hypernym(i) and hyponym(j) of synsets  $S_{ij}^t$ , where  $S_{nm}^i = (S_{n1}^i, S_{n2}^i, S_{n3}^i, S_{n4}^i, \dots, S_{nm}^i)$  is hypernymsynsets, inwhichnissynsetandm=0ton (glosses), and  $G_{mn}^i = (G_{n1}^i, G_{n2}^i, G_{n3}^i, G_{n4}^i, \dots, G_{nn}^i)$  is thesetof hypernym glosses and  $S_{nm}^j = (S_{n1}^j, S_{n2}^j, S_{n3}^j, S_{n4}^j, \dots, S_{nn}^j)$  is the hyponym synsets and  $G_{nm}^j = (G_{n1}^j, G_{n2}^j, G_{n3}^j, G_{n4}^j, \dots, G_{nn}^j)$ is the set of hyponym glosses.

In context and extended gloss contextual representation, the AWD-LSTM (weighted drop long term short term memory) reads the context sequence ( $C_{amb}$ ), gloss sequences and generates the contextual embedding(s)  $e_{C_{amb}}$ ,  $e_{G_{nm}}^{i}$  and  $e_{G_{nm}}^{i}$  of context and extended hypernyms gloss sequences  $G_{nm}^{i}$ and hyponyms gloss sequence  $G_{nm}^{j}$  respectively.

$$\begin{aligned} e_{C_{amb}} &= (e_{w_{1}}, e_{w_{2}}, e_{w_{3}}, \dots, e_{w_{amb}}, \dots, e_{w_{1s}}) \\ e_{C_{nm}^{i}} &= (e_{C_{n1}^{i}}, e_{C_{n2}^{i}}, e_{C_{ns}^{i}}, \dots, e_{C_{n1s}^{i}}) \\ e_{C_{nm}^{j}} &= (e_{C_{n1}^{j}}, e_{C_{n2}^{j}}, e_{C_{ns}^{j}}, \dots, e_{C_{n1s}^{j}}), \text{respectively} \end{aligned}$$

#### Working Philosophy of Intersection-based Marathi WSD

Intersection between the embedding is the embedding that has contextual probabilities in common. The Intersection\_ Score  $(O_t)$  calculates the probability score of each related sense  $(S^t)$  corresponds to the target word  $(C_{amb})$ . It calculates the intersection between the pair of context embedding  $e_{C_{amb}}$  and extended gloss embedding  $e_{c_{im}^{ij}}$ , which is the concatenation of hypernyms  $e_{G_{nm}^{i}}$  and hyponyms  $e_{c_{im}}$  gloss representation of the particular sense in  $S_{ii}^{t} = (S_{11}^{11}, S_{22}^{22}, S_{33}^{33}, S_{44}^{4}, \dots, S_{ii}^{t})$ 

 $O_t = f(e_{C_{amb}}, e_{C_{nm}^{ij}})$  is the intersection measure between the context and extended gloss

So, 
$$O_t = P(e_{c_{amb}} \cap e_{c_{nm}^{ij}})$$
  

$$= P(e_{c_{amb}}) \times P(e_{c_{nm}^{ij}})$$

$$= e_{c_{amb}} \times e_{c_{nm}^{ij}}$$
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In this way, the cumulative intersection score( $O_t$ ) will calculate the probability intersection of the pairs of the context and extended gloss embedding(s) like  $P(e_{C_{amb}} \cap e_{G_{11}^{11}})$ ,  $P(e_{C_{amb}} \cap e_{G_{22}^{22}})$ ,  $P(e_{C_{amb}} \cap e_{G_{33}^{33}})$ ...... $P(e_{C_{amb}} \cap e_{G_{nm}})$ , which is then used to assign the similarity score  $S_{MAX}$  to each sense in S<sup>t</sup>, where  $S_{MAX} = \max_{O_t} (O_1, O_2, O_3 \dots O_n)$ , which is the empirical sense identified by the Marathi WSD framework. Figure 4 shows the architecture of ULMFiT-based Marathi WSD framework.

#### Illustration of Idea

Consider the Marathi Sentence **l w?dkt v?xipse{; I=ls vlgs; leqsl wijssfdj.k'ljljlykdljMdjrh] T; leqs'ljljk 'hryrk vlf.k fi`lk n ý gls** Sūryaprakāša, agnicē mukhya strōta āhē, yāmulē sūryācē kirana śarīrālā kōradē karatāta, jyāmulē śarīrāta śītalatā āni pitta dūra hōtē/ Sunlight is the main source of fire, so the sun's rays dry out the body, which removes coldness and bile from the body)

In this sentence, the word **fdj.k**(Kirana/ray) is ambiguous and for this word, IndoWordnet has two senses which are;

Synset<sub>1</sub>('fdj.k): Gloss<sub>1</sub>: ipxmshy ilp çe(jku|lifth ,d (Pancagangëtila pāca pramukha nadyāmpaiki ēka) and Synset<sub>2</sub> ('çdkkfdj.l: Gloss<sub>2</sub>: l wjZpał fnok hB hhrstoh inHi21 w fu?hyshçdkklyldk(Sūrya, candra, divā ityādī tējasvī padārthāpāsūna nighālēlī prakāśaśalākā)

For *Synset*<sub>1</sub>, the IndoWordnet has 1 Hypernymy and 1 Hyponymy which are:

Hypernym<sub>1</sub>: '**leVhl eqlykt lÅu feG. lljki k; lpkçolg** (Śēvatī samudrālā jā'ūna milanārā

For *Synset*<sub>2</sub>, the IndoWordnet has 2 Hypernymy and 6 Hyponymy which are:

*Hypernym*<sub>1</sub>: çd**kkt; leqsfnl . ls' ID**, glasarsar**\u00fb** (Prakāša jyāmulē disanē šakya hōtē tē tattva)

Hypernym<sub>2</sub>: vikeckil; ckil; vikelui kvrli, olr j, fo'k, bi; klo: ilpheulykgislij htklio (Ātmabōdha, bōdha, ātmānubhūtī, vastu, visaya ityādīncyā svarūpācī manālā hōnārī jānīva)

Hyponym<sub>1</sub>: **{l&fdj.k, [lk kdBhkoIr voj oxlus, y W,upk** eljkd: u mł W glelji the hrja ylalpt fo | upqd h fdj.k (Ksa-kirana ēkhādyā kathīna vastūvara vēgānē ēlēktŏnacā mārā karūna utpanna honārā, kamī taranga lāmbīcā, vidyutacumbakīya kirana)

Hyponym<sub>2</sub>: **tayk k fdj. kládj. liftat ir rjæylaphfdj. k** (Jambulātīta kirana ksa kiranāmpēksā jāsta tarangalāmbīcī kirana)

*Hyponym*<sub>3</sub>: **vojä fdj.k,d çdlips fdj.k** (Avarakta kirana ēka prakāracē kirana)

*Hyponym*<sub>4</sub>: स**ः भिंड fdj. lk igl/ph** स**ः fdj. ls va. lk il : ykyh**(Sūryācē kirana, pahātēcī sūryakiranē anganāta pasarū lāgalī.)

*Hyponym*<sub>5</sub>: **pafdj. kpalphfdj. k**(Candrakirana candrācī kiranē)

Hyponym<sub>6</sub>: **x&k fdj. k dlgh inHZbB hlm w fu?klijk** ,**d çdljpk fdj. k** (Gëmā kirana, kāhī padārtha ityādīntūna nighanārā ēka prakāracā kirana)

Used ULMFiT model to generate the context  $e_{C_{amb}}$  and extended gloss embedding  $e_{c_{nm}^{ij}}$  which is the assembly of Hypernym  $e_{c_{nm}^{ij}}$  and Hyponym  $e_{c_{nm}^{jj}}$  of the particular sense.

ecamb = ULMFiT\_embedding (Context)

 $e_{G_{nm}} = ULMFiT_embedding(Extd_Gloss_1)$ 

e<sub>Gnm</sub> =ULMFiT\_embedding (Extd\_Gloss<sub>2</sub>)

Measuring the intersections  $O_1$  and  $O_1$  between the pairs of  $(e_{c_{amb}}, e_{G_{nm}^{11}})$  and  $(e_{c_{amb}}, e_{G_{nm}^{22}})$ , which is calculated as...

 $O_1 = P(e_{C_{amb}} \cap e_{C_{nm}^{11}})$ , where P is the probability of intersection.

$$= P(e_{C_{amb}}) \times P(e_{G_{nm}^{11}})$$

$$= e_{C_{amb}} \times e_{G_{nm}^{11}}$$

$$= 0.04005$$

$$O_2 = P(e_{C_{amb}} \cap e_{G_{nm}^{22}})$$

$$= P(e_{C_{amb}}) \times P(e_{G_{nm}^{22}})$$

$$= e_{c_{amb}} \times e_{G_{nm}^{22}}$$

$$= 0.22414$$

Here  $O_2 > O_1$ , hence for the Marathi Sentence, ambiguous word **fdj.k** (Kirana) has the proper sense in the *Synset*<sub>2</sub> ('**çdklfdj.k** (Prakāśakirana).

## Evaluation Strategy, Experimental Setup and Test Bed

For the experimentation, we have used a test-bed of randomly picked 6000 marathi sentences from 280 marathi moderately ambiguous words, harvested from marathi websites (heritage, news, sports, history) catering to around 1200 senses. To extract the synsets and their extended hypernym and hyponym glosses for the targeted ambiguous word, we have used IndoWordNet sense inventory (17), for pre-processing and encoding the input marathi sentence and its extended glosses, we have used iNLTK tools. We have pre-trained the ULMFiT model on iNLTK's marathi model and used it to generate the contextual embedding(s) for sentential context and extended glosses. We have calculated the probability of the intersection between the pairs of context and extended gloss and based on the maximum probability the winner sense for the given ambiguous word is declared. We have calculated the accuracy, precision, recall and  $F_1$  score of proposed extended gloss intersection-based WSD on the given test-bed over different PoS categories in input sentence.

### **R**ESULTS AND **D**ISCUSSION

After doing the test run on 6000 open texts Marathi sentences, we have calculated accuracy, precision, recall and  $F_1$  score matrices for nouns, adjectives, adverbs and verbs PoS categories as shown in Table 1. For our case, relevant senses are the sense identified by the marathi linguistics and retrieved sense are retrieved by the WSD framework, in other words the relevant senses are true positive and the retrieved sense are both true positive and false positive.

Precision represents the fraction of sense identified by the WSD framework are correct, it is the ratio of how many predicted senses are relevant with that of all. Recall represents the fraction of total proper sense correctly declared by the WSD framework; it is the ratio of how many relevant senses are correctly predicted.  $F_1$  score is the weighted average of the ratio of how many relevant senses are relevant with that of how many relevant senses are correctly predicted. F1 score is the weighted average of the ratio of how many relevant senses are correctly predicted and the accuracy represents the fraction of total relevant sense declared correctly relevant, non-relevant sense declared correctly non-relevant with that of all.

From Table 1, it is observed that, proposed WSD framework has obtained highest accuracy of 57.30% on nouns PoS category, whereas lowest accuracy of 50.00% on verb PoS category. In disambiguating the verb PoS, proposed WSD framework performs comparatively lower; it is because in present form of the IndoWordNet the depth of verb taxonomy is limited for hypernym and hyponym glosses, so contextual word embedding for the verbs fails in finding contextual words in extended gloss, so not able to capture the correct semantic information for the given target verb and leads to poor performance in all the measures. Due to unavailability of similar unsupervised computational approach for marathi open text WSD, we cannot compare the present work with other research works.

#### Phenomena Study and Error Analysis

For contextual representation, the proposed approach is using multivariate probabilistic distribution over the sequence of words, in which irrespective of context, the semantically similar words tend to have similar real-valued probabilistic representation. In traditional knowledge-based WSD the words were treated as atomic symbols, in which intersection were measured on the basis of lexical match, so there, we are not able to make the comparisons at semantic level, this is not the case in proposed WSD framework. The proposed WSD framework also attended all the sentential instances of a word in the context and extended gloss.

For example consider the sentence:

vual fnol IB kvHII hasd,H ¥ dl kplyolokghdykjlt ykvoxr >lyh(Anēka divasāncyā abhyāsānē kŏmputara kasā cālavāvā hī kalā rājūlā avagata jhālī/ After several days of study, Raju learned how to operate a computer), here the word dyk (Kalā) is most ambiguous, in IndoWordnet this word has six senses which are:

Gloss 1: , [**Iknhxki i yfölgkdjr jlfgi; lusr hdj.; Il affiz** ; **slij h 1 gtrk**(EKhādī gōsta punahpunhā karata rahālayānē tī karanyāsandarabhatā yēnārī sahajatā)

Gloss 2: 1 k; Kvuljo nslj hdy KSaundaryācā anubhava dēnārī kalā)

Gloss 3: **patcalpki lisickilik** (Candrabimbācā sōlāvā bhāga/ The sixteenth part of the crescent)

Gloss 4: Kaj vulja f likkliklohk k-'Validir w tsof k/i ok xdh kviljaj, [hah9äh, [hat];Zkinit ki; lý ekyhtks: Jñāna, anubhava, šiksana ityādīncyā drstīkonātūna jē vaišistya vā gunāncyā ādhārāvara ēkhādī vyaktī ēkhādē kārya vā padāsāthī yōgya mānalī jātē)

Gloss 5: **disk ghdykliši; lpjsdyklij lpjs; l£=d ox,§sale T; ll lBhKlul() frfjä dl&B; vlf.kl jlolphxjt vl rs**(Könatēhī kalākauśalyācē, kalākusarīcē, yāntrika vagairē kāma jyāsāthī jñānāvyatirikta kauśalya āni sarāvācī garaja asatē)

Among all the senses gloss 1, 4 and 5 are very close to each other, so these are called as fine-grained senses, whereas at coarse grain level these sense are treated as one. At lexical level the intersection or similarity score will treat these glosses as a single gloss, the proposed WSD framework representing each word as a contextual probability, so it is treating all the six glosses distinctly at fine level. Hence for

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the given sentence, it is disambiguating the word **dyk**(Kala) as a gloss 5: **dlskrgh dyklišik; lps dykl ij lps ; lf=d ox\$s dle T; ll IBh Klui() frfjä dl\$N; vlf.k ljkolph xjt vlrs** (Kōnatēhī kalākauśalyācē, kalākusarīcē, yāntrika vagairē kāma jyāsāthī jñānāvyatirikta kauśalya āni sarāvācī garaja asatē). In this way, we have disambiguated the Marathi words at fine-grained level.

After calculating the intersections score between context and extended gloss embedding the highest score sense is assigned to the ambiguous word, if there is a tie in a highest score value the first sense occurring chronologically is assigned to the ambiguous word.

In the contextual representation of words, the unidirectional LSTM architecture of ULMFiT, it processes the word sequence in single direction with maximum 13 words context size, so it ignores compounded effect of words, which are yet to process, so limits the performance of WSD. Surely the bi-directional contextual representations will resolve these issues and will improve the speed, memorization and performance of WSD.

The performance of the proposed WSD approach is constrained by the coverage of IndoWordNet and the strength of the iNLTK's trained marathi model.

### **C**ONCLUSION AND **F**UTURE **W**ORK

In the reported work, we have investigated the effectiveness of ULMFiT-based transfer learning for contextualized distributed semantic representation and leveraged the benefits of meanings in extended gloss and its intersection with sentential context for the task of Marathi WSD. We have used multivariate probability distribution for quantifying the intersections. The proposed approach is empirically evaluated using traditional performance metrics like accuracy, precision, recall and  $F_1$  score on the given test-bed. For detail investigation, we have measured the PoS categorywise performance. The results of our experimentation imply the feasibility of this approach for Marathi WSD task effectively. The results can be improved by strengthening the coverage of verb PoS category in IndoWordNet.

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### **CONFLICT OF INTEREST**

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