Fraud Email using BERT Classification

Notebook Overview

This notebook is designed for the following steps:

Loading and Cleaning Data:

Import email data (for example, a CSV file) containing emails and corresponding fraud labels, then clean the text using regular expressions.

• Tokenization:

Use a BERT tokenizer to convert raw email text into token IDs and attention masks that BERT requires.

• Dataset and DataLoader Construction:

Create a PyTorch dataset class that feeds tokenized inputs to the model and a DataLoader for batching.

Model Definition and Initialization:

Use a Hugging Face pre-trained BERT model (typically BertForSequenceClassification) with a classification head. This model will be fine-tuned for binary classification (fraudulent vs. non-fraudulent).

Training Loop:

Define the optimizer, learning rate scheduler, and loss function, and then run the training loop over several epochs. In each epoch, the notebook performs both training and evaluation.

• Inference and Model Saving:

Save the model after training and include a helper function for making predictions on new email text.

Detailed Explanation (Cell by Cell)

Cell 1: Importing Libraries

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import torch
import torch.nn as nn
import torch.optim as optim
from torch.utils.data import Dataset, DataLoader
import pandas as pd
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import numpy as np
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
import re
from transformers import BertTokenizer, BertForSequenceClassification,
get_linear_schedule_with_warmup
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Torch and submodules:

Provide tensor operations, neural network modules, and optimization routines.

Dataset/DataLoader:

Used to construct custom datasets and to batch data during training.

Pandas and NumPy:

For handling structured data (CSV files) and general numeric operations.

Matplotlib:

For visualization (e.g., plotting loss curves).

• Regular Expressions (re):

Helps with cleaning and preprocessing text.

• Transformers Modules:

The Hugging Face library offers the BERT tokenizer and a pre-built model (BertForSequenceClassification), as well as a scheduler for managing the learning rate during training.

Cell 2: Data Loading and Preprocessing

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# Load the dataset
df = pd.read_csv('fraud_emails.csv')

# Display the first few rows to verify the data
print(df.head())

# Define a function for cleaning email text
def clean_text(text):
    text = text.lower()  # Convert text to lowercase for
consistency
    text = re.sub(r'\s+', ' ', text) # Replace multiple spaces with
a single space
    text = re.sub(r'\W', ' ', text) # Remove any non-word
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characters (punctuation, etc.)
    return text.strip()  # Strip leading/trailing
whitespace

# Clean the email text column
df['cleaned_text'] = df['email_text'].apply(clean_text)
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• Loading Data:

The CSV file (here assumed to be named fraud_emails.csv) is read into a Pandas DataFrame.

• Previewing:

A quick print of the first few rows confirms that the file was loaded correctly.

• Cleaning:

The function clean_text standardizes the email text by lowering the case, removing extra spaces, and eliminating non-alphanumeric characters. This step is crucial to reduce noise in the input text.

• Applying Cleaning:

The cleaned text is stored in a new column (cleaned text) in the DataFrame.

Cell 3: Tokenization and Creating the Dataset

def getitem (self, idx):

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# Initialize the BERT tokenizer (using a model like 'bert-base-uncased')
tokenizer = BertTokenizer.from_pretrained('bert-base-uncased')

# Create a custom dataset class for our emails
class FraudEmailDataset(Dataset):
    def __init__(self, texts, labels, tokenizer, max_length=128):
        self.texts = texts
        self.labels = labels
        self.tokenizer = tokenizer
        self.max_length = max_length

def __len__(self):
        return len(self.texts)
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text = self.texts[idx]
        label = self.labels[idx]
        # Tokenize the text and encode it to a fixed max length
        encoding = self.tokenizer.encode_plus(
            text,
            add_special_tokens=True,  # Adds CLS and SEP tokens as
needed
            max_length=self.max_length,
            truncation=True,
                                          # Truncates sentences longer
than max_length
            padding='max_length',
                                          # Pads sentences shorter
than max_length
            return_attention_mask=True,
            return_tensors='pt'
                                          # Return as PyTorch tensors
        )
        return {
            'input_ids': encoding['input_ids'].flatten(),
            'attention_mask': encoding['attention_mask'].flatten(),
            'label': torch.tensor(label, dtype=torch.long)
        }
# Split the data into training and validation sets (80/20 split)
from sklearn.model_selection import train_test_split
train_texts, val_texts, train_labels, val_labels = train_test_split(
    df['cleaned_text'].tolist(),
    df['label'].tolist(),
    test_size=0.2,
    random_state=42
)
# Create instances of the dataset
train_dataset = FraudEmailDataset(train_texts, train_labels,
tokenizer)
val dataset = FraudEmailDataset(val texts, val labels, tokenizer)
# Create DataLoader objects
train loader = DataLoader(train dataset, batch size=16, shuffle=True)
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• Tokenizer Initialization:

The BertTokenizer converts raw text to token IDs; the chosen model is typically bert-base-uncased for English texts.

Custom Dataset Definition:

The FraudEmailDataset class stores the email text, labels, and the tokenizer.

- The __getitem__ method tokenizes each text and ensures the sequence is of a fixed length (e.g., 128 tokens) by truncating or padding.
- The returned dictionary contains flattened input_ids, attention_mask, and a label.

Train/Validation Split:

The data is divided into training and validation sets using scikit-learn's train_test_split function.

• DataLoader Creation:

DataLoader objects handle batching and shuffling during training and evaluation.

Cell 4: Model Initialization

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# Instantiate a pre-built BERT classifier
model = BertForSequenceClassification.from_pretrained('bert-base-
uncased', num_labels=2)
device = torch.device("cuda" if torch.cuda.is_available() else "cpu")
model = model.to(device)
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Model Loading:

BertForSequenceClassification is loaded with a pre-trained BERT model and automatically creates a classification head.

num_labels=2 indicates binary classification (fraudulent vs. non-fraudulent).

• Device Setup:

The model is transferred to a GPU if available; otherwise, it runs on the CPU.

Cell 5: Optimizer, Scheduler, and Loss Function

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optimizer = optim.AdamW(model.parameters(), lr=2e-5,
correct_bias=False)

epochs = 3
total_steps = len(train_loader) * epochs

scheduler = get_linear_schedule_with_warmup(
    optimizer,
    num_warmup_steps=0,
    num_training_steps=total_steps
)

loss_fn = nn.CrossEntropyLoss()
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• Optimizer:

AdamW is chosen because it works well with transformer models. The learning rate (2e-5) is common for fine-tuning BERT.

• Learning Rate Scheduler:

A linear scheduler gradually decreases the learning rate during training, computed over the total number of steps.

• Loss Function:

CrossEntropyLoss is used because it is standard for classification tasks.

Cell 6: Training and Evaluation Loop

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for epoch in range(epochs):
    model.train() # Activate training mode (enables dropout, etc.)
    total_train_loss = 0

# Training loop over batches
    for batch in train_loader:
        optimizer.zero_grad()
        input_ids = batch['input_ids'].to(device)
        attention_mask = batch['attention_mask'].to(device)
        labels = batch['label'].to(device)
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outputs = model(
            input ids=input ids,
            attention mask=attention mask,
            labels=labels
        )
        loss = outputs.loss # Model output includes the loss when
labels are provided
        total train loss += loss.item()
        loss.backward()
        optimizer.step()
        scheduler.step()
    avg_train_loss = total_train_loss / len(train_loader)
    print(f"Epoch {epoch+1}: Training Loss = {avg_train_loss}")
    # Evaluate on validation data
    model.eval()
    total val loss = 0
    correct predictions = 0
    with torch.no grad():
        for batch in val loader:
            input_ids = batch['input_ids'].to(device)
            attention mask = batch['attention mask'].to(device)
            labels = batch['label'].to(device)
            outputs = model(
                input ids=input ids,
                attention_mask=attention_mask,
                labels=labels
            )
            loss = outputs.loss
            total val loss += loss.item()
            logits = outputs.logits
            preds = torch.argmax(logits, dim=1)
            correct predictions += torch.sum(preds == labels)
    avg val loss = total val loss / len(val loader)
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val_accuracy = correct_predictions.double() / len(val_dataset)
print(f"Epoch {epoch+1}: Validation Loss = {avg_val_loss},
Accuracy = {val_accuracy}")
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• Epoch Loop:

For each epoch, the model is set into training mode.

• Batch Training:

For each batch:

- Gradients are reset with optimizer.zero_grad().
- o Input data (input IDs and attention masks) and labels are moved to the device.
- The model is called with inputs and labels; since labels are provided, the model returns a loss value.
- o Backpropagation is performed and optimizer as well as scheduler are stepped.

• Logging:

After processing all batches, the average training loss is calculated and printed.

Validation Loop:

The model is switched to evaluation mode (disables dropout). For each batch in the validation set:

- The loss is calculated and predictions (argmax of logits) are compared to labels.
- Overall accuracy is computed and printed.

Cell 7: Saving the Model and Inference

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# Save the trained model in a format that can be reloaded later
model.save_pretrained('fraud_email_bert_model')

# Define a function for predicting the fraud probability for a new
email
def predict_email(email_text):
    model.eval()
    # Clean the email text using the same function as during
preprocessing
    text_clean = clean_text(email_text)
    encoding = tokenizer.encode_plus(
        text_clean,
        add_special_tokens=True,
        max length=128,
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truncation=True,
        padding='max length',
        return attention mask=True,
        return tensors='pt'
    )
    input_ids = encoding['input_ids'].to(device)
    attention_mask = encoding['attention_mask'].to(device)
    outputs = model(input ids=input ids,
attention_mask=attention_mask)
    logits = outputs.logits
    probabilities = torch.softmax(logits, dim=1)
    return probabilities.detach().cpu().numpy()
# Example inference on a sample email
sample_email = "Congratulations! You have won a lottery. Please send
your bank details."
print(predict email(sample email))
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Saving the Model:

The model weights and configuration are saved using the save_pretrained method so that you can later reload with

BertForSequenceClassification.from pretrained(...).

• Inference Function:

A function predict email is defined to:

- Put the model into evaluation mode.
- Clean and tokenize the input email.
- o Produce the model's output logits and convert them to probabilities.
- o Return the probabilities as a NumPy array.

• Running an Inference Example:

A sample email string is passed to the function and the probabilities are printed, showing the model's output (e.g., the likelihood the email is fraudulent).