
Algorithm 1: *ComputeAlpha*

Data: $out_{m \times n}$ (result of softmax), where $m = \bar{W}_{\text{unpadded}}/4$, $n = |\hat{A}|$,
 $label$ (encoded by alphabet),
 $T, L, bl = 0$ (blank index)
begin
 $a = \text{zeros}(T, L)$
 $a[0][0] = out[0][bl]$
 $a[0][1] = out[0][label[0]]$
 $c = a[0][0] + a[0][1]$
 if $c > 0$ **then**
 $a[0][0] = \frac{a[0][0]}{c}$
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 for $t := 1$ **to** T **do**
 $start = \max(0, L - 2 \times (T - t))$
 $end = \min(2 \times t + 2, L)$
 for $s := start$ **to** L **do**
 $i = \frac{s-1}{2}$
 $a[t][s] = a[t-1][s]$
 if $s > 0$ **then**
 $a[t][s] = a[t][s] + a[t-1][s-1]$
 if $s \bmod 2 = 0$ **then**
 $a[t][s] = a[t][s] \times out[t][bl]$
 else if $s = 1$ **or** $label[i] = label[i-1]$ **then**
 $a[t][s] = a[t][s] \times out[t][label[i]]$
 else
 $a[t][s] = (a[t][s] + a[t-1][s-2]) \times out[t][label[i]]$
 $c = \sum_{i=start}^{end} a[t][i]$
 if $c > 0$ **then**
 for $s := start$ **to** end **do**
 $a[t][s] = \frac{a[t][s]}{c}$
 return a

Algorithm 2: CTC Loss and softmax gradient computation

Data: $out_{M \times N}$ (result of softmax), where $M = \bar{W}_{\text{padded}}/4$, $N = |\hat{A}|$,
 $label$ (encoded by alphabet),
 $w = \bar{W}_{\text{unpadded}}/4$,
 $bl = 0$ (blank index)
begin
 $l = \text{len}(label)$
 $L = 2 \times l + 1$
 $T = w$
 $out_{\text{unpadded}} = \text{zeros}(T, N)$
 for $t := 0$ **to** T **do**
 for $n := 0$ **to** N **do**
 $out_{\text{unpadded}}[t][n] = out_{\text{padded}}[t][n]$
 $a = \text{ComputeAlpha}(out_{\text{unpadded}}, label, T, L, bl)$
 $out_{\text{unpadded}}^{\text{flipped}} = \text{flipud}(\text{fliplr}(out_{\text{unpadded}}))$
 $label_{\text{reversed}} = \text{reverse}(label)$
 $b = \text{ComputeAlpha}(out_{\text{unpadded}}^{\text{flipped}}, label_{\text{reversed}}, T, L, bl)$
 $b = \text{flipud}(\text{fliplr}(b))$
 $ab = a * b$
 $lab = (T, N)$
 for $s := 0$ **to** L **do**
 if $s \bmod 2 = 0$ **then**
 for $t := 0$ **to** T **do**
 $ab[t][s] = \frac{ab[t][s]}{out[t][bl]}$
 $lab[t][bl] = lab[t][bl] + ab[t][s]$
 else
 for $t := 0$ **to** T **do**
 $i = \frac{s-1}{2}$
 $ab[t][s] = \frac{ab[t][s]}{out[t][label[i]]}$
 $lab[t][i] = lab[t][i] + ab[t][s]$
 $lh = \text{zeros}(T)$
 for $t := 0$ **to** T **do**
 $lh[t] = \sum_{s=1}^L ab[t][s]$
 $loss = -\sum_{t=1}^T \ln lh[t]$
 $softmaxGrad = \text{zeros}(M, N)$
 for $t := 0$ **to** T **do**
 for $n := 0$ **to** N **do**
 $softmaxGrad[t][n] = out[t][n] - \frac{lab[t][n]}{out[t][n] * lh[t]}$
 return $loss, softmaxGrad$
