Using Pre-trained Word Embeddings

In this notebook we will show some operations on pre-trained word embeddings to gain an intuition about them.

We will be using the pre-trained GloVe embeddings that can be found in the official website. In particular, we will use the file glove.6B.300d.txt contained in this zip file.

We will first load the GloVe embeddings using Gensim. Specifically, we will use KeyedVectors 's load_word2vec_format() classmethod, which supports the original word2vec file format. However, there is a difference in the file formats used by GloVe and word2vec, which is a header used by word2vec to indicate the number of embeddings and dimensions stored in the file. The file that stores the GloVe embeddings doesn't have this header, so we will have to address that when loading the embeddings.

Loading the embeddings may take a little bit, so hang in there!

Word similarity

One attribute of word embeddings that makes them useful is the ability to compare them using cosine similarity to find how similar they are. KeyedVectors objects provide a method called most_similar() that we can use to find the closest words to a particular word of interest. By default, most_similar() returns the 10 most similar words, but this can be changed using the topn parameter.

Below we test this function using a few different words.

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# common noun
In [3]:
        glove.most_similar("cake")
        [('cakes', 0.7506030201911926),
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         ('chocolate', 0.6965583562850952),
         ('dessert', 0.6440261006355286),
         ('pie', 0.608742892742157),
         ('cookies', 0.6082394123077393),
         ('frosting', 0.601721465587616),
         ('bread', 0.5954801440238953),
         ('cookie', 0.593381941318512),
         ('recipe', 0.5827102661132812),
         ('baked', 0.5819962620735168)]
In [4]:
        # adjective
        glove.most similar("angry")
        [('enraged', 0.7087873816490173),
Out[4]:
         ('furious', 0.7078357934951782),
         ('irate', 0.6938743591308594),
         ('outraged', 0.6705204248428345),
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         ('provoked', 0.5827428102493286),
         ('annoyed', 0.581898033618927),
         ('incensed', 0.5751833319664001),
         ('indignant', 0.5704443454742432)]
In [5]: # adverb
        glove.most_similar("quickly")
        [('soon', 0.766185998916626),
Out[5]:
         ('rapidly', 0.7216640114784241),
         ('swiftly', 0.7197349667549133),
         ('eventually', 0.7043026685714722),
         ('finally', 0.6900882124900818),
         ('immediately', 0.6842609643936157),
         ('then', 0.6697486042976379),
         ('slowly', 0.6645645499229431),
         ('gradually', 0.6401675939559937),
         ('when', 0.6347666382789612)]
In [6]: # preposition
        glove.most_similar("between")
        [('sides', 0.5867610573768616),
Out[6]:
         ('both', 0.5843431949615479),
         ('two', 0.5652360916137695),
         ('differences', 0.514071524143219),
         ('which', 0.5120179057121277),
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         ('relationship', 0.5022751092910767),
         ('and', 0.498425155878067),
         ('in', 0.4970666766166687),
         ('relations', 0.4970114529132843)]
In [7]: # determiner
        glove.most_similar("the")
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Word analogies

Another characteristic of word embeddings is their ability to solve analogy problems. The same <code>most_similar()</code> method can be used for this task, by passing two lists of words: a <code>positive</code> list with the words that should be added and a <code>negative</code> list with the words that should be subtracted. Using these arguments, the famous example $\vec{king} - \vec{man} + \vec{woman} \approx \vec{queen}$ can be executed as follows:

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In [9]:
         # car - drive + fly
         glove.most_similar(positive=["car", "fly"], negative=["drive"])
         [('airplane', 0.5897148251533508),
 Out[9]:
          ('flying', 0.5675230026245117),
          ('plane', 0.5317023992538452),
          ('flies', 0.5172374248504639),
          ('flown', 0.514790415763855),
          ('airplanes', 0.5091356635093689),
          ('flew', 0.5011662244796753),
          ('planes', 0.4970923364162445),
          ('aircraft', 0.4957723915576935),
          ('helicopter', 0.45859551429748535)]
         # berlin - germany + australia
In [10]:
         glove.most_similar(positive=["berlin", "australia"], negative=["germany"])
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[('sydney', 0.6780862212181091),
Out[10]:
          ('melbourne', 0.6499180793762207),
          ('australian', 0.594883143901825),
          ('perth', 0.5828553438186646),
          ('canberra', 0.5610732436180115),
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          ('zealand', 0.5240115523338318),
          ('queensland', 0.5193883180618286),
          ('adelaide', 0.5027671456336975),
          ('london', 0.4644604027271271)]
         # england - london + baghdad
In [11]:
         glove.most_similar(positive=["england", "baghdad"], negative=["london"])
         [('iraq', 0.5320571660995483),
Out[11]:
          ('fallujah', 0.4834090769290924),
          ('iraqi', 0.47287362813949585),
          ('mosul', 0.464663565158844),
          ('iraqis', 0.43555372953414917),
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          ('basra', 0.41905173659324646),
          ('samarra', 0.4125366508960724),
          ('saddam', 0.40791556239128113)]
In [12]: # japan - yen + peso
         glove.most_similar(positive=["japan", "peso"], negative=["yen"])
         [('mexico', 0.5726832151412964),
Out[12]:
          ('philippines', 0.5445368885993958),
          ('peru', 0.48382261395454407),
          ('venezuela', 0.4816672205924988),
          ('brazil', 0.4664309620857239),
          ('argentina', 0.45490506291389465),
          ('philippine', 0.4417841136455536),
          ('chile', 0.43960973620414734),
          ('colombia', 0.4386259913444519)
          ('thailand', 0.43396785855293274)]
In [13]: # best - good + tall
         glove.most_similar(positive=["best", "tall"], negative=["good"])
         [('tallest', 0.5077419281005859),
Out[13]:
          ('taller', 0.47616496682167053),
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          ('erect', 0.4087314009666443)]
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Looking under the hood

Now that we are more familiar with the <code>most_similar()</code> method, it is time to implement its functionality ourselves. But first, we need to take a look at the different parts of the

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KeyedVectors object that we will need. Obviously, we will need the vectors themselves. They are stored in the vectors attribute.

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In [14]: glove.vectors.shape
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Out[14]: (400000, 300)

As we can see above, vectors is a 2-dimensional matrix with 400,000 rows and 300 columns. Each row corresponds to a 300-dimensional word embedding. These embeddings are not normalized, but normalized embeddings can be obtained using the get normed vectors() method.

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In [15]: normed_vectors = glove.get_normed_vectors()
    normed_vectors.shape
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Out[15]: (400000, 300)

Now we need to map the words in the vocabulary to rows in the vectors matrix, and vice versa. The KeyedVectors object has the attributes index_to_key and key_to_index which are a list of words and a dictionary of words to indices, respectively.

In [20]: glove.index_to_key

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In [21]: glove.key_to_index

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Word similarity from scratch

Now we have everything we need to implement a <code>most_similar_words()</code> function that takes a word, the vector matrix, the <code>index_to_key</code> list, and the <code>key_to_index</code> dictionary. This function will return the 10 most similar words to the provided word, along with their similarity scores.

```
In [18]: import numpy as np

def most_similar_words(word, vectors, index_to_key, key_to_index, topn=10):
    # Retrieve word_id corresponding to the given word
    if word not in key_to_index:
        raise ValueError(f"The word '{word}' is not in the vocabulary.")

word_id = key_to_index[word]
```

```
# Retrieve embedding for the given word
word_vector = vectors[word_id]
# Calculate similarities to all words in our vocabulary
similarities = vectors @ word_vector # Using dot product for similarity co
# Get word ids in descending order with respect to similarity score
sorted_indices = np.argsort(-similarities) # Sort in descending order
# Create a boolean array to exclude the word itself
mask = np.arange(len(similarities)) != word_id
# Obtain new array of indices that doesn't contain word_id
filtered indices = sorted indices[mask]
# Get the topn word ids
topn indices = filtered indices[:topn]
# Retrieve topn words with their corresponding similarity scores
top_words = [(index_to_key[i], similarities[i]) for i in topn_indices]
# Return results
return top_words
```

Now let's try the same example that we used above: the most similar words to "cactus".

Analogies from scratch

The <code>most_similar_words()</code> function behaves as expected. Now let's implement a function to perform the analogy task. We will give it the very creative name <code>analogy</code>. This function will get two lists of words (one for positive words and one for negative words), just like the <code>most_similar()</code> method we discussed above.

```
In [30]: from numpy.linalg import norm
import numpy as np

def analogy(positive, negative, vectors, index_to_key, key_to_index, topn=10):
    # Find ids for positive and negative words
    pos_ids = [key_to_index[word] for word in positive]
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```
neg_ids = [key_to_index[word] for word in negative]
# Get embeddings for positive and negative words
pos_emb = np.sum(vectors[pos_ids], axis=0) # Sum embeddings for positive
neg_emb = np.sum(vectors[neg_ids], axis=0) # Sum embeddings for negative
# Get embedding for analogy
emb = pos emb - neg emb # Create the analogy vector
# Normalize embedding
emb = emb / norm(emb) # Normalize the vector
# Calculate similarities to all words in our vocabulary
similarities = vectors @ emb.T # Matrix multiplication to get cosine simi
# Get word ids in ascending order with respect to similarity score
ids_ascending = np.argsort(similarities)
# Reverse word ids
ids descending = ids ascending[::-1] # Sort in descending order
# Get boolean array with elements corresponding to any of the given_word_id
given_word_ids = pos_ids + neg_ids
given_words_mask = np.isin(np.arange(len(index_to_key)), given_word_ids, in
# Obtain new array of indices that doesn't contain any of the given_word_id
filtered ids = ids descending[given words mask]
# Get topn word ids
top ids = filtered ids[:topn]
# Retrieve topn words with their corresponding similarity scores
top_words = [(index_to_key[idx], similarities[idx]) for idx in top_ids]
# Return results
return top_words
```

Let's try this function with the $\dot{king}-\ddot{man}+wo\ddot{m}an \approx qu\ddot{e}en$ example we discussed above.

```
In [31]: positive = ["king", "woman"]
         negative = ["man"]
         vectors = glove.get_normed_vectors()
         index to key = glove.index to key
         key_to_index = glove.key_to_index
         analogy(positive, negative, vectors, index_to_key, key_to_index)
         [('king', 0.75726104),
Out[31]:
          ('queen', 0.67132777),
          ('princess', 0.5432625),
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          ('mother', 0.49564433),
          ('elizabeth', 0.48326525),
          ('kingdom', 0.47747087),
          ('prince', 0.466824)]
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