

Environment Config

(not use virtual env)

1. Check config:

Check Python \geq 3.8: `python --version`

Check PyTorch with GPU support:

```
python
>>>import torch
>>>print(torch.__version__)
>>>print(torch.cuda.is_available()): True
```

Check CUDA-capable GPU (local or via cloud like GCP)

`nvidia-smi`

CUDA (Compute Unified Device Architecture) is a parallel computing platform and API created by NVIDIA. It allows developers to run code on NVIDIA GPUs (Graphics Processing Units) to achieve massive performance gains, especially for tasks involving: Matrix operations, Deep learning, Scientific computing, Graphics and image processing

2. Create virtual env:

Clone repo & install dependencies:

```
git clone https://github.com/karpathy/nanoGPT.git
cd nanoGPT
```

Set up virtual env:

```
python -m venv venv
venv\Scripts\activate
(venv) junrong@Junrong:~/nanoGPT$
```

Install dependencies:

```
Pip install tiktoken numpy requests transformers datasets wandb
pip install torch torchvision torchaudio --index-url https://download.pytorch.org/whl/cu121
```

Check:

```
python
>>> import torch
>>> print(torch.__version__)
>>> print(torch.cuda.is_available())
```

Prepare data:

```
python data/shakespeare_char/prepare.py
```