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N GRAM LANGUAGE MODEL

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Exercise 1 Consider the following toy example (similar to the one from Jurafsky & Martin (2015)):

Training data:

<s> I am Sam </s>

<s> Sam I am </s>

<s> Sam I like </s>

<s> Sam I do like </s>

<s> do I like Sam </s>

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Assume that we use a bigram language model based on the above training data.

1. What is the most probable next word predicted by the model for the following word sequences?

(1) <s> Sam ...

(2) <s> Sam I do ...

(3) <s> Sam I am Sam ...

(4) <s> do I like ...

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Solution:

Bigram probabilities:

$$\begin{array}{ll} P(\text{Sam}|\langle s \rangle) = \frac{3}{5} & P(\text{I}|\langle s \rangle) = \frac{1}{5} \\ P(\text{I}|\text{Sam}) = \frac{3}{5} & P(\langle /s \rangle|\text{Sam}) = \frac{1}{5} \\ P(\text{Sam}|\text{am}) = \frac{1}{2} & P(\langle /s \rangle|\text{am}) = \frac{1}{2} \\ P(\text{am}|\text{I}) = \frac{2}{5} & P(\text{like}|\text{I}) = \frac{2}{5} \\ P(\text{Sam}|\text{like}) = \frac{1}{3} & P(\langle /s \rangle|\text{like}) = \frac{2}{3} \\ P(\text{like}|\text{do}) = \frac{1}{2} & P(\text{I}|\text{do}) = \frac{1}{2} \end{array} \quad P(\text{do}|\text{I}) = \frac{1}{5}$$

- (1) and (3): "I".
(2): "I" and "like" are equally probable.
(4): $\langle /s \rangle$

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2. Which of the following sentences is better, i.e., gets a higher probability with this model?

(5) <s> Sam I do I like </s>

(6) <s> Sam I am </s>

(7) <s> I do like Sam I am </s>

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2. Probabilities:

$$(5): \frac{3}{5} \cdot \frac{3}{5} \cdot \frac{1}{5} \cdot \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{2}{5} \cdot \frac{2}{3}$$

$$(6): \frac{3}{5} \cdot \frac{3}{5} \cdot \frac{2}{5} \cdot \frac{1}{2}$$

$$(7): \frac{1}{5} \cdot \frac{1}{5} \cdot \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{3} \cdot \frac{3}{5} \cdot \frac{2}{5} \cdot \frac{1}{2}$$

(6) is the most probable sentence according to our language model.

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Do exercise 1 and 2 for trigram.

$$P(W_3|W_1, W_2) = \frac{\text{Count}(W_1, W_2, W_3)}{\text{Count}(W_1, W_2)}$$

$$\text{Count}(W_1, W_2, W_3)$$

PERPLEXITY

Exercise 2 Consider again the same training data and the same bigram model. Compute the perplexity of

<s> I do like Sam

Solution:

The probability of this sequence is $\frac{1}{5} \cdot \frac{1}{5} \cdot \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{3} = \frac{1}{150}$.

The perplexity is then $\sqrt[4]{150} = 3.5$

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Exercise 3 Take again the same training data. This time, we use a bigram LM with Laplace smoothing.

1. Give the following bigram probabilities estimated by this model:

$$\begin{array}{llll} P(\text{do}|\text{<s>}) & P(\text{do}|\text{Sam}) & P(\text{Sam}|\text{<s>}) & P(\text{Sam}|\text{do}) \\ P(\text{I}|\text{Sam}) & P(\text{I}|\text{do}) & P(\text{like}|\text{I}) & \end{array}$$

Note that for each word w_{n-1} , we count an additional bigram for each possible continuation w_n . Consequently, we have to take the words into consideration and also the symbol </s> .

2. Calculate the probabilities of the following sequences according to this model:

(8) <s> do Sam I like

(9) <s> Sam do I like

Which of the two sequences is more probable according to our LM?

MLE estimate:

$$P_{MLE}(w_i | w_{i-1}) = \frac{c(w_{i-1}, w_i)}{c(w_{i-1})}$$

Add-1 estimate:

$$P_{Add-1}(w_i | w_{i-1}) = \frac{c(w_{i-1}, w_i) + 1}{c(w_{i-1}) + V}$$

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1. If we include $\langle /s \rangle$ (this can also appear as second element of a bigram), we get $|V| = 6$ for our vocabulary.

$$\begin{array}{llll} P(\text{do}|\langle s \rangle) = \frac{2}{11} & P(\text{do}|\text{Sam}) = \frac{1}{11} & P(\text{Sam}|\langle s \rangle) = \frac{4}{11} & P(\text{Sam}|\text{do}) = \frac{1}{8} \\ P(\text{I}|\text{Sam}) = \frac{4}{11} & P(\text{I}|\text{do}) = \frac{2}{8} & P(\text{like}|\text{I}) = \frac{3}{11} & \end{array}$$

2. (8): $\frac{2}{11} \cdot \frac{1}{8} \cdot \frac{4}{11} \cdot \frac{3}{11}$
(9): $\frac{4}{11} \cdot \frac{1}{11} \cdot \frac{2}{8} \cdot \frac{3}{11}$

The two sequences are equally probable.