CODE ANALYSIS

User Manual

In order to perform the back-end development work, following software are required on system:

1. Anaconda and Python (Virtual environment creation)

For our BERT classification model, I have created a virtual environment using Anaconda and installed Python version 3.8.8 on the computer.

Install Python and then using Jupyter check that the Python version shown corresponds to the version you installed by running the following command:

```
In [1]: import sys
    print(sys.version)
    3.8.8 (default, Apr 13 2021, 15:08:03) [MSC v.1916 64 bit (AMD64)]
In [2]: import platform
    print(platform.python_version())
    3.8.8
```

2. Setting up a virtual environment

3. Install Dependencies/Requirements

After creating the virtual environment for BERT model, we are required to install and utilize 'transformer' library. In order to install 'transformer' library for BERT, we first install the pre-requisites: (https://github.com/huggingface/transformers)

Install TensorFlow (step-by-step): (https://www.tensorflow.org/install/pip)

After installing TensorFlow, we verify the installation on our CPU and GPU using the following commands:

```
In [6]: import tensorflow as tf
print(tf.reduce_sum(tf.random.normal([1000, 1000])))

tf.Tensor(-236.3888, shape=(), dtype=float32)

In [7]: import tensorflow as tf
print(tf.config.list_physical_devices('GPU'))

[PhysicalDevice(name='/physical device:GPU:0', device type='GPU')]
```

Next, we install 'PyTorch' (step-by-step): (https://pytorch.org/get-started/previous-versions/)

Before installation, we first check the 'cuda' version of our GPU on PowerShell or Command Prompt using the following command line:

Afterwards, I have installed 'PyTorch v1.12.0' using pip:

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```
# ROCM 5.1.1 (Linux only)
pip install torch==1.12.0+rocm5.1.1 torchvision==0.13.0+rocm5.1.1 torchaudio==0.12.0 --extra-index-url http:
# CUDA 11.6
pip install torch==1.12.0+cu116 torchvision==0.13.0+cu116 torchaudio==0.12.0 --extra-index-url https://down.
# CUDA 11.3
pip install torch==1.12.0+cu113 torchvision==0.13.0+cu113 torchaudio==0.12.0 --extra-index-url https://down.
# CUDA 10.2
pip install torch==1.12.0+cu102 torchvision==0.13.0+cu102 torchaudio==0.12.0 --extra-index-url https://down.
# CPU only
pip install torch==1.12.0+cpu torchvision==0.13.0+cpu torchaudio==0.12.0 --extra-index-url https://download.
```

These are the crucial following requirements/dependencies, I have used for BERT classification model:

```
conda==4.12.0

pip==23.1.2

numpy==1.19.5

pandas==1.2.4

scikit-learn==0.24.1

scipy==1.6.2

torch==1.12.0+cu116

torchaudio==0.8.1

torchvision==0.9.1+cu111

tensorflow==2.5.0

tensorboard==2.5.0

tokenizers==0.13.3

transformers==4.27.4
```

Preparation Steps

In this section, we look at each part of the code and understand the steps covered. For this document, we stick to the text classification steps since it requires proper detailing. For processing steps, refer to the steps covered above and the code in link below.

For the BBC News classification dataset & code, please refer to the code link below:

Link for Dataset: https://www.kaggle.com/datasets/sainijagjit/bbc-dataset

Link for **prediction steps code**:

https://towardsdatascience.com/text-classification-with-bert-in-pytorch-887965e5820f

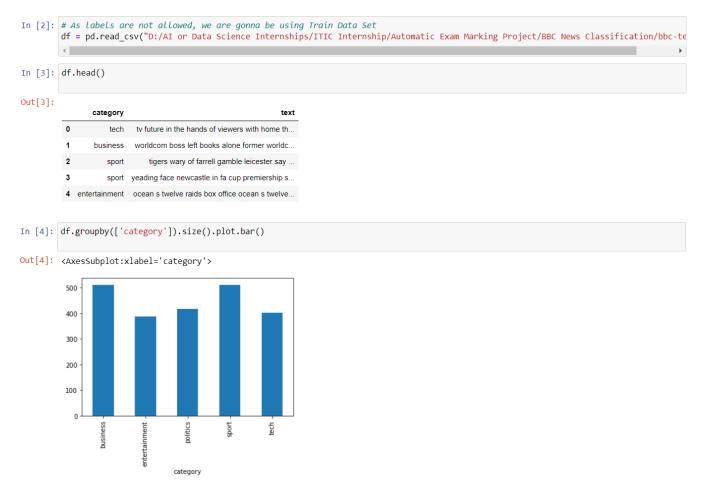
(A). Importing important packages and libraries:

```
In [1]: import numpy as np
import pandas as pd
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
import pickle
```

We have imported 'numpy' and 'pandas' for basic data manipulation in our project.

We have imported 'pickle' for serializing and de-serializing a Python object structure. Any object on python can be pickled so that it can be saved on disk. At first Python pickle serialize the object and then converts the object into a character stream so that this character stream contains all the information necessary to reconstruct the object in another python script.

(B). Loading the given Dataset from local directory:



This dataset is already in CSV format, and it has **2126 different texts**, each labeled under one of 5 categories: **entertainment**, **sport**, **tech**, **business**, **or politics**. The dataframe only has two columns, which is 'category' that will be our **label**, and 'text' which will be our **input data** for **BERT**.

(C). Preprocessing Data:

In order to transform our text into the format that BERT expects, we added **[CLS]** and **[SEP]** tokens. We did this easily with 'BertTokenizer' class from Hugging Face. To utilize BERT, we installed Transformers library via pip:

pip install transformers

To make it easier for us to understand the output that we get from BertTokenizer, let's use a short text as an example:

• Description of BertTokenizer parameters:

padding: It is used to pad each sequence to the maximum length that we specify.

max_length: The maximum length of each sequence. In this example we use 10, but for our actual dataset we will use 512, which is the maximum length of a sequence allowed for BERT.

truncation: If True, then the tokens in each sequence that exceed the maximum length will be truncated.

return_tensors: The type of tensors that will be returned. Since we're using **Pytorch**, then we use **pt**. If you use **TensorFlow**, then you need to use **tf**.

• These outputs from 'bert_input' variable above are necessary for our BERT model later on:

bert_input['input_ids']: It is the id representation of each token.

We can actually decode these input ids into the actual tokens as follows:

```
In [6]: example_text = tokenizer.decode(bert_input.input_ids[0])
    print(example_text)
[CLS] I will watch Memento tonight [SEP] [PAD] [PAD]
```

The **BertTokenizer** takes care of all of the necessary transformations of the input text such that it's ready to be used as an input for our BERT model. It adds **[CLS]**, **[SEP]**, and **[PAD]** tokens automatically. Since we specified the maximum length to be 10, then there are only two [PAD] tokens at the end.

bert_input['token_type_ids']: It is a binary mask that identifies in which sequence a token belongs. If we only have a single sequence, then all of the token type ids will be 0.

For a text classification task, 'token_type_ids' is an optional input for our BERT model.

bert_input['attention_mask']: It is a binary mask that identifies whether a token is a real word or just padding.

If the token contains [CLS], [SEP], or any real word, then the mask would be 1. Meanwhile, if the token is just padding or [PAD], then the mask would be 0.

we used a **pre-trained BertTokenizer** from **bert-base-cased model**. This pre-trained tokenizer works well if the text in our dataset is in **English**.

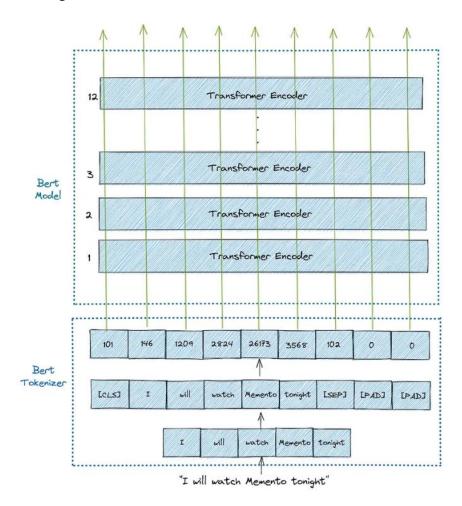


Fig-1: Illustration of what BertTokenizer does to our input sentence

(D). Dataset Class:

We build a Dataset class for our news dataset using PyTorch that will serve as a class to generate our news data. The Torch Dataset class is basically an abstract class representing the dataset. It allows us to treat the dataset as an object of a class, rather than a set of data and labels. The torch dataset class can be imported from 'torch.utils.data.Dataset'.

The main task of the Dataset class is to **return a pair of [input, label] every time it is called**. We can define functions inside the class to **preprocess the data** and return it in the format we require.

The class must contain two main functions:

- __len__(): This is a function that returns the length of the dataset.
- **__getitem__():** This is a function that returns one training example.

We define a variable called **labels**, which is a dictionary that maps the 'category' in the dataframe into the id representation of our label. We also call 'BertTokenizer' in the '__init__' function above to transform our input texts into the compatible BERT format.

```
In [7]: import torch
        import numpy as np
        from transformers import BertTokenizer
        tokenizer = BertTokenizer.from_pretrained('bert-base-cased')
        labels = {'business':0,
                   'entertainment':1,
                  'sport':2,
'tech':3,
                   'politics':4
        class Dataset(torch.utils.data.Dataset):
            def init (self, df):
                self.labels = [labels[label] for label in df['category']]
                self.texts = [tokenizer(text,
                                       padding='max_length', max_length = 512, truncation=True,
                                        return_tensors="pt") for text in df['text']]
            def classes(self):
                return self.labels
                  _len__(self):
                return len(self.labels)
            def get batch labels(self, idx):
                # Fetch a batch of labels
                return np.array(self.labels[idx])
            def get_batch_texts(self, idx):
                  Fetch a batch of inputs
                return self.texts[idx]
            def __getitem__(self, idx):
                batch_texts = self.get_batch_texts(idx)
                batch_y = self.get_batch_labels(idx)
                return batch_texts, batch_y
```

(E). Splitting the dataset into Training, Validation & Test data:

After defining dataset class, we split our dataset into **training**, **validation**, and **test set** with the proportion of **80:10:10** (80% for training and 10% each for validation and testing).

random.seed() function initializes the random number generator with the given value. The **seed** is given an integer value to ensure that the results of **pseudo-random generation are reproducible**. By re-using a seed value, the same sequence should be reproducible from run to run as long as multiple threads are not running.

np.split(df.sample(frac=1, random_state=42) is used shuffle the whole dataset first and then we split our dataset as required.

(F). Model Building using a pre-trained BERT base model:

After building a dataset class to generate our data. Now we'll build the actual model using a **pre-trained BERT base** model which has **12 layers of Transformer encoder**.

```
In [9]: from torch import nn
from transformers import BertModel

class BertClassifier(nn.Module):

    def __init__(self, dropout=0.5):
        super(BertClassifier, self).__init__()
        self.bert = BertModel.from_pretrained('bert-base-cased')
        self.dropout = nn.Dropout(dropout)
        self.linear = nn.Linear(768, 5)
        self.relu = nn.ReLU()

    def forward(self, input_id, mask):
        __, pooled_output = self.bert(input_ids= input_id, attention_mask=mask,return_dict=False)
        dropout_output = self.dropout(pooled_output)
        linear_output = self.linear(dropout_output)
        final_layer = self.relu(linear_output)

    return final_layer
```

The module torch contains different classes that help you build neural network models.

We imported a pre-trained **BertModel** from **transformers** library and as our dataset is English, we have used 'bert-base-cased' pretrained model.

This module torch.nn also has various layers that you can use to build your neural network. In our BBC News classification BERT model, we used **nn.Linear** in our code, which constructs a fully connected layer.

The __init__ method is where we typically define the attributes of a class.

The **dropout rate** is set to 0.5 (50%), meaning one in half of the inputs will be randomly excluded from each update cycle.

Our network is a 12-layer Neural Network with input size of 768 and 5 output neurons.

The **forward method** is called when we use the **neural network to make a prediction**. Another term for "making a prediction" is running the forward pass, because information flows forward from the input through the hidden layers to the output.

BERT model outputs two variables:

The first variable, which we named _ in the code above, contains the embedding vectors of all of the tokens in a sequence.

The **second variable**, which we named **pooled_output**, contains the embedding vector of [CLS] token. For a text classification task, it is enough to use this embedding as an input for our classifier.

We then pass the pooled_output variable into a **linear layer** with **ReLU activation function**. At the end of the linear layer, we have a vector of size 5, each corresponds to a category of our labels (**sport, business, politics, entertainment, and tech**).

(G). Training Loop:

```
for epoch_num in range(epochs):
    total_acc_train = 0
    total_loss_train = 0

for train_input, train_label in tqdm(train_dataloader):
    train_label = train_label.to(device)
    mask = train_input['attention_mask'].to(device)
    input_id = train_input['input_ids'].squeeze(1).to(device)

    output = model(input_id, mask)

    batch_loss = criterion(output, train_label.long())
    total_loss_train += batch_loss.item()

    acc = (output.argmax(dim=1) == train_label).sum().item()
    total_acc_train += acc

    model.zero_grad()
    batch_loss.backward()
    optimizer.step()

total_acc_val = 0
    total_loss_val = 0
```

```
with torch.no_grad():
    for val_input, val_label in val_dataloader:
        val_label = val_label.to(device)
        mask = val_input('attention_mask'].to(device)
        input_id = val_input['input_ids'].squeeze(1).to(device)

        output = model(input_id, mask)

        batch_loss = criterion(output, val_label.long())
        total_loss_val += batch_loss.item()

        acc = (output.argmax(dim=1) == val_label).sum().item()
        total_acc_val += acc

    print(
        f'Epochs: {epoch_num + 1} | Train_Loss: {total_loss_train / len(train_data): .3f} \
        | Val_Loss: {total_loss_val / len(val_data): .3f} \
        | Val_Loss: {total_loss_val / len(val_data): .3f} \
        | Val_Accuracy: {total_acc_val / len(val_data): .3f}')

EPOCHS = 5
model = BertClassifier()
LR = 1e-6

train(model, df_train, df_val, LR, EPOCHS)
```

```
C:\Users\Rahul\Anaconda3\lib\site-packages\huggingface hub\file download.py:133: UserWarning: `huggingface hub` cache-system us
es symlinks by default to efficiently store duplicated files but your machine does not support them in C:\Users\Rahul\.cache\hu
ggingface\hub. Caching files will still work but in a degraded version that might require more space on your disk. This warning
can be disabled by setting the `HF_HUB_DISABLE_SYMLINKS_WARNING` environment variable. For more details, see https://huggingfac
e.co/docs/huggingface_hub/how-to-cache#limitations
To support symlinks on Windows, you either need to activate Developer Mode or to run Python as an administrator. In order to se
e activate developer mode, see this article: https://docs.microsoft.com/en-us/windows/apps/get-started/enable-your-device-for-d
evelopment
 warnings.warn(message)
Some weights of the model checkpoint at bert-base-cased were not used when initializing BertModel: ['cls.predictions.bias', 'cl
                        'cls.predictions.transform.dense.weight', 'cls.seq_relationship.weight', 'cls.predictions.transform.L
edictions.transform.LayerNorm.bias', 'cls.predictions.decoder.weight', 'cls.predictions.transform.dens
                 'cls.predictions.transform.LayerNorm.bias',
 This IS expected if you are initializing BertModel from the checkpoint of a model trained on another task or with another arc
hitecture (e.g. initializing a BertForSequenceClassification model from a BertForPreTraining model)
 This IS NOT expected if you are initializing BertModel from the checkpoint of a model that you expect to be exactly identical
(initializing a BertForSequenceClassification model from a BertForSequenceClassification model).
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Epochs: 1 | Train Loss: 0.735
                                            | Train Accuracy: 0.389
                                                                                  | Val Loss: 0.564
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Epochs: 2 | Train Loss: 0.335
                                            | Train Accuracy: 0.910
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1 Accuracy: 0.977
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Epochs: 3 | Train Loss: 0.143
                                            | Train Accuracy: 0.974
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1 Accuracy: 0.986
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Epochs: 4 | Train Loss: 0.078
                                            | Train Accuracy: 0.987
                                                                                  | Val Loss: 0.057
                                                                                                                   Va
1 Accuracy: 0.991
                                               890/890 [11:58<00:00, 1.24it/s]
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Epochs: 5 | Train Loss: 0.045
                                            | Train Accuracy: 0.994
                                                                                  | Val Loss: 0.045
1 Accuracy: 0.995
```

The training loop will be a standard **PyTorch training loop**. We created a 'train' function to train our built 'Dataset' in which we created a custom Dataset objects using the training and validation data.

The **Torch Dataloader** not only allows us to iterate through the dataset in batches, but also gives us access to inbuilt functions for **multiprocessing** (allows us to load multiple batches of data in parallel, rather than loading one batch at a time), shuffling, etc.

We modify our PyTorch script accordingly so that it accepts the generator that we just created. In order to do so, we use PyTorch's **DataLoader** class, which in addition to our Dataset class, also takes in the following important arguments:

- batch_size: which denotes the number of samples contained in each generated batch.
- Shuffle: If set to True, we will get a new order of exploration at each pass (or just keep a linear exploration scheme otherwise). Shuffling the order in which examples are fed to the classifier is helpful so that batches between epochs do not look alike. Doing so will eventually make our model more robust.
- num_workers: which denotes the number of processes that generate batches in parallel. A high enough
 number of workers assures that CPU computations are efficiently managed, i.e. that the bottleneck is
 indeed the neural network's forward and backward operations on the GPU (and not data generation).

The torch Dataloader takes a torch Dataset as input and calls the <u>__getitem__()</u> function from the Dataset class to create a batch of data and torch dataloader class can be imported from torch.utils.data.DataLoader.

We have used **CrossEntropyLoss**, also known as categorical cross entropy as our loss function which computes the cross entropy loss between input logits and target and is specifically used for **multi-class classification** problem like ours. We have used **Adam** as the **optimizer** which is one of the most used optimizers for training deep learning models. It is fast and quite efficient when you have a lot of data for training. Adam is an optimizer with **momentum** that can perform **better than SGD when the model is complex**, as in most cases of deep learning.

Furthermore, we have trained our model for 5 epochs while the learning rate is set to 1e-6.

After training, we found that the training loss has been reduced from 0.735 to 0.045 (73.5% to 4.5%), training accuracy has been increased from 0.389 to 0.994 (38.9% to 99.4%) which is quite great. Furthermore, validation loss has been decreased from 0.564 to 0.045 (56.4% to 4.5%) and validation accuracy has been increased from 0.680 to 0.995 (68% to 99.5%) which is great and very close to training accuracy without any overfitting.

(H). Evaluate Model on Test Data:

Now that we have trained our BERT classification model, we can use the test data to evaluate the model's performance on unseen data.

```
In [11]: def evaluate(model, test_data):
             test = Dataset(test_data)
             test_dataloader = torch.utils.data.DataLoader(test, batch_size=2)
             use cuda = torch.cuda.is available()
             device = torch.device("cuda" if use_cuda else "cpu")
                 model = model.cuda()
             total acc test = 0
             with torch.no_grad():
                 for test_input, test_label in test_dataloader:
                       test_label = test_label.to(device)
                       mask = test_input['attention_mask'].to(device)
                       input_id = test_input['input_ids'].squeeze(1).to(device)
                       output = model(input_id, mask)
                       acc = (output.argmax(dim=1) == test_label).sum().item()
                       total acc test += acc
             print(f'Test Accuracy: {total_acc_test / len(test_data): .3f}')
         evaluate(model, df_test)
         Test Accuracy: 0.996
```

We have made a function to evaluate the performance of the model on the test set and found that we got an accuracy of 0.996 (or 99.6%) on the test data which is very good overall.

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