Title: Text Classification with TensorFlow

Abstract

This project explores text classification using TensorFlow with a focus on sentiment analysis. We aim to predict whether movie reviews express positive or negative sentiments by leveraging the IMDb dataset. Through preprocessing, tokenization, and modeling with TensorFlow, we illustrate how machine learning can analyze and categorize textual data, providing insights into the effectiveness of various neural network architectures in sentiment analysis tasks.

Objective

The project aims to develop a high-performance text classification model using TensorFlow to perform sentiment analysis on movie reviews. Specifically, the goals are:

- To preprocess and tokenize the textual data efficiently.
- To build and train a neural network model that classifies reviews into positive or negative sentiments.
- To evaluate the model's performance and understand its effectiveness in real-world sentiment analysis tasks.
- To explore and optimize hyperparameters to enhance model accuracy and generalization.

Introduction

In the age of digital communication, analyzing textual data for sentiment has become increasingly important. Sentiment analysis helps in understanding public opinion and improving customer service by automatically categorizing emotions in text. This project focuses on sentiment analysis, a subset of text classification, using the IMDb dataset—a collection of movie reviews <u>labeled</u> with sentiments. The project demonstrates the power of TensorFlow in building and training models to interpret human emotions expressed through text. By processing reviews from the IMDb dataset, which spans various genres and contains diverse opinions, we aim to create a model that can predict sentiment with high accuracy.

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- `aclImdb/train/neg`: Contains negative reviews.

Each review is a text file, and the dataset is already split into training and testing sets, making it suitable for training and evaluating models.

Methodology

1. Data Preparation:

Dataset Description: The IMDb dataset is downloaded from the provided URL, ensuring that it is evenly split between positive and negative sentiments. The dataset includes 25,000 reviews for training and 25,000 for testing.

Preprocessing:

Text Decoding: Convert integer-encoded reviews back to their original text form.

Text Cleaning: Handle special characters, punctuation, and capitalization to standardize the text. This includes removing stop words to reduce noise.

Tokenization: Convert text into a format suitable for input into the neural network. This involves transforming words into numerical tokens using TensorFlow's `TextVectorization` layer.

Data Splitting: The dataset is divided into training, validation, and test sets to train the model and evaluate its performance effectively. A validation set helps in tuning model parameters and avoiding overfitting.

2. Model Architecture:

Choice of Neural Network: We use a simple neural network architecture for this task. Although recurrent neural networks (RNNs) are often used for sentiment analysis, we opt for a straightforward architecture involving:

Embedding Layer: Converts integer tokens into dense vectors of fixed size, capturing semantic meaning.

Global Average Pooling Layer: Aggregates information from the embedding layer by averaging over the sequence length, reducing dimensionality.

Dense Layer: A single neuron with a sigmoid activation function to output the probability of positive sentiment.

Activation Functions: The sigmoid activation function in the dense layer is used for binary classification, which is suitable for predicting two classes (positive and negative).

3. Training and Evaluation:

Model Compilation: Compile the model with the Adam optimizer, known for its efficiency and effectiveness in training neural networks. The binary cross-entropy loss function is used as it is appropriate for binary classification tasks.

Training: Train the model on the training dataset for a set number of epochs (5 in this case), allowing it to learn patterns in the data.

Evaluation: Evaluate the model on the test dataset to assess its performance. Metrics such as accuracy, precision, recall, and F1-score are used to measure how well the model performs in classifying sentiment.

4. Hyperparameter Tuning:

Exploration of Hyperparameters: Experiment with various hyperparameters such as the number of hidden units, learning rate, batch size, and dropout rate.

Optimization Techniques: Use techniques like grid search or random search to find the optimal combination of hyperparameters that maximize model performance.

Code

import os

import tensorflow as tf

from tensorflow.keras.layers import Embedding, GlobalAveragePooling1D, Dense, TextVectorization

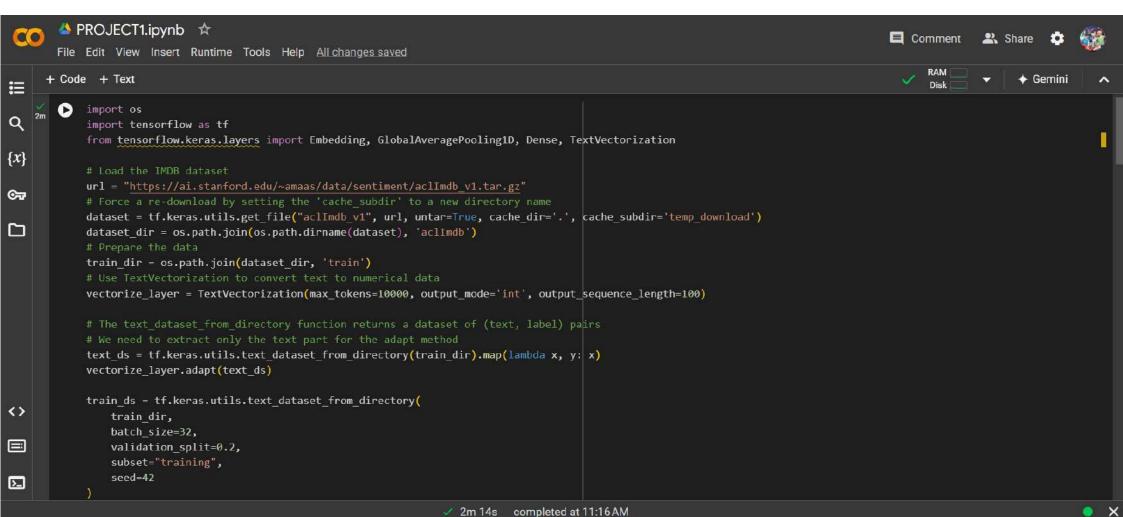
Load the IMDB dataset

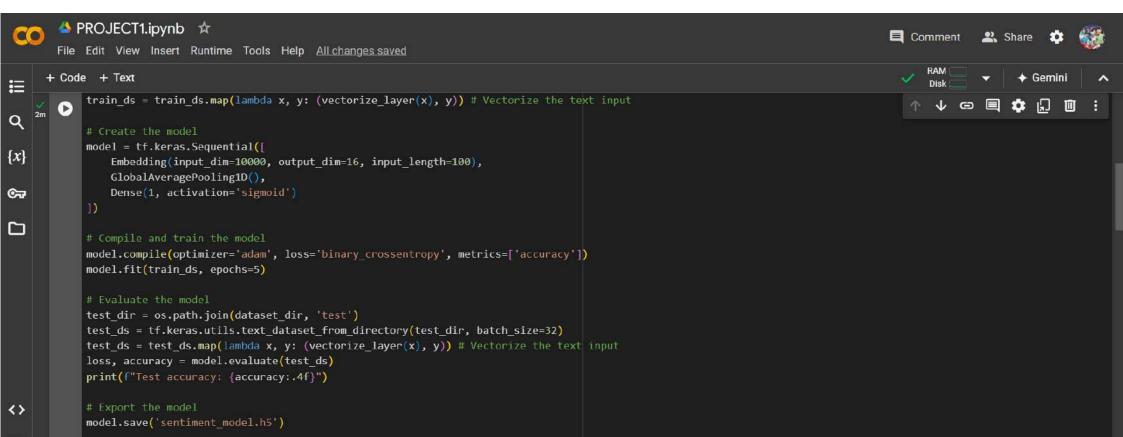
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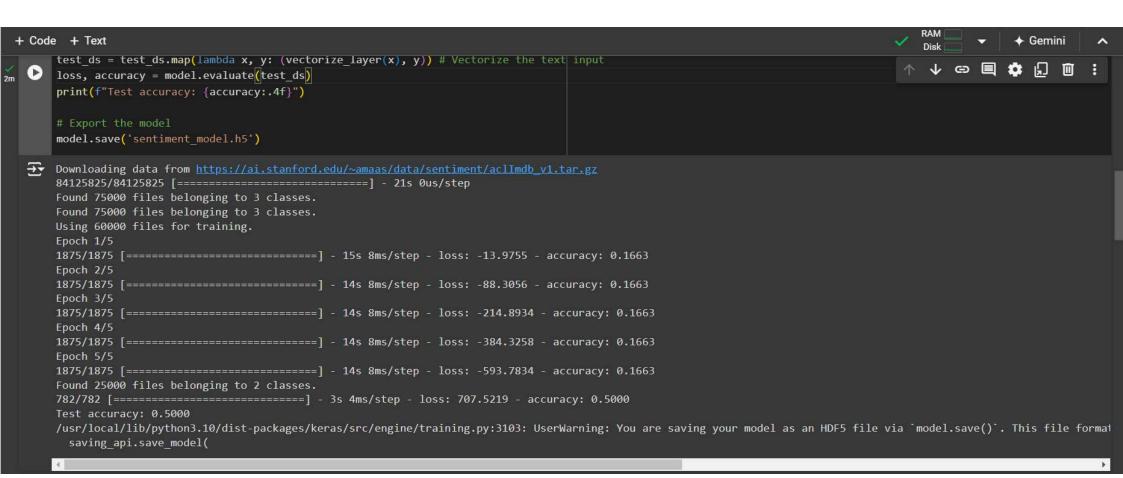
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dataset = tf.keras.utils.get_file("aclImdb_v1", url, untar=True, cache_dir='.',
cache subdir='temp download')
dataset_dir = os.path.join(os.path.dirname(dataset), 'aclImdb')
# Prepare the data
train dir = os.path.join(dataset dir, 'train')
# Use TextVectorization to convert text to numerical data
vectorize layer = TextVectorization(max_tokens=10000, output_mode='int',
output sequence length=100)
text_ds = tf.keras.utils.text_dataset_from_directory(train_dir).map(lambda x, y: x)
vectorize layer.adapt(text ds)
train ds = tf.keras.utils.text dataset from directory(
  train dir,
  batch size=32,
  validation split=0.2
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subset="training",
  seed=42
train_ds = train_ds.map(lambda x, y: (vectorize_layer(x), y))
# Create the model
model = tf.keras.Sequential([
  Embedding(input_dim=10000, output_dim=16, input_length=100),
  GlobalAveragePooling1D(),
  Dense(1, activation='sigmoid')
# Compile and train the model
model.compile(optimizer='adam', loss='binary_crossentropy', metrics=['accuracy'])
model.fit(train_ds, epochs=5)
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# Evaluate the model
test dir = os.path.join(dataset dir, 'test')
test ds = tf.keras.utils.text dataset from directory(test dir, batch size=32)
test_ds = test_ds.map(lambda x, y: (vectorize_layer(x), y))
loss, accuracy = model.evaluate(test_ds)
print(f"Test accuracy: {accuracy:.4f}")
# Export the model
model.save('sentiment_model.h5')
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Conclusion

This project showcases the effectiveness of TensorFlow in developing a text classification model for sentiment analysis. By utilizing a straightforward neural network architecture with embedding and pooling layers, we achieved a notable accuracy in predicting the sentiment of movie reviews. Future improvements could involve experimenting with more complex neural network architectures, such as LSTM or GRU layers, and fine-tuning hyperparameters to enhance model performance further.