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# Install nltk (only once)
!pip install nltk # Installs the Natural Language Toolkit library for NLP tasks
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# Import required libraries
import nltk # Core NLTK library for natural language processing
import re # Regular expression operations for text cleaning
import math # Mathematical functions for calculations like log and exp (used in perplexity)
import random # For shuffling data (e.g., sentences for train/test split)
import numpy as np # Numerical operations, often used with arrays (though not directly used in these snippets)
import pandas as pd # Data manipulation and analysis (though not directly used in these snippets)
from collections import Counter, defaultdict # Specialized container datatypes, Counter for frequency counting of n-grams
from nltk.tokenize import sent_tokenize, word_tokenize # Functions for splitting text into sentences and words
from nltk.corpus import stopwords # Access to a list of common stopwords for filtering
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# Download required NLTK resources
nltk.download('punkt') # Downloads the 'punkt' tokenizer models, essential for sentence tokenization
nltk.download('stopwords') # Downloads the list of common stopwords for various languages (e.g., English)
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# Sample text corpus (repeat to reach 1500+ words)
text = ""
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They are widely used in NLP applications.
""" * 300 # Repeats the base text 300 times to create a large corpus (exceeding 1500 words for better training data)
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# Display sample text
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print(text[:500]) # Prints the first 500 characters of the generated text corpus to show its content
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def preprocess_text(text):
    """
    Preprocesses the input text by lowercasing, removing punctuation and numbers,
    tokenizing into sentences and words, and removing stopwords. Each sentence
    is then padded with start ('<s>') and end ('</s>') tokens.

    Args:
        text (str): The raw input text corpus.

    Returns:
        list: A list of lists, where each inner list represents a processed sentence
              with start and end tokens, and no stopwords or punctuation.
    """
    text = text.lower() # Convert the entire input text to lowercase for case-insensitivity
    text = re.sub(r'^[a-z\s]', '', text) # Remove all characters that are not lowercase English letters or spaces
    sentences = sent_tokenize(text) # Tokenize the cleaned text into a list of individual sentences

    stop_words = set(stopwords.words('english')) # Load English stopwords into a set for efficient checking
    processed_sentences = [] # Initialize an empty list to store the final processed sentences

    for sent in sentences: # Iterate through each tokenized sentence
        words = word_tokenize(sent) # Tokenize the current sentence string into a list of words
        words = [w for w in words if w not in stop_words] # Filter out stopwords from the list of words
        processed_sentences.append(['<s>'] + words + ['</s>']) # Prepend '<s>' and append '</s>' tokens to the word list, the

    return processed_sentences # Return the list of all processed sentences
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nltk.download('punkt_tab') # Download the punkt_tab tokenizer model for NLTK, which might be needed internally by sent_tokenize
sentences = preprocess_text(text) # Preprocess the main text corpus using the defined function into a list of tokenized sentences
print(sentences[:2]) # Display the first two preprocessed sentences to verify the output format and content

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[['<s>', 'natural', 'language', 'processing', 'field', 'artificial', 'intelligence', 'helps', 'computers', 'understand', 'humanity']]
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random.shuffle(sentences) # Randomly shuffles the order of the sentences to ensure a diverse distribution for training and testing

split = int(0.8 * len(sentences)) # Determine the split point for an 80/20 train/test split (80% for training)
train_sentences = sentences[:split] # Assign the first 80% of the shuffled sentences to the training set
test_sentences = sentences[split:] # Assign the remaining 20% of the shuffled sentences to the test set

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def build_ngram(sentences, n):
    """
    Builds n-grams from a list of sentences.

    Args:
        sentences (list): A list of tokenized sentences.
        n (int): The size of the n-gram (e.g., 1 for unigram, 2 for bigram).

    Returns:
        collections.Counter: A Counter object containing the frequency of each n-gram.
    """
    ngrams = []
    for sent in sentences:
        # Iterate through each sentence to extract n-grams
        # zip(*[sent[i:] for i in range(n)]) creates tuples of n consecutive words
        ngrams += list(zip(*[sent[i:] for i in range(n)]))
    return Counter(ngrams) # Return the frequency count of each n-gram

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unigram_counts = build_ngram(train_sentences, 1) # Build a Counter of all unigrams (single words) from the training sentences
bigram_counts = build_ngram(train_sentences, 2) # Build a Counter of all bigrams (two-word sequences) from the training sentences
trigram_counts = build_ngram(train_sentences, 3) # Build a Counter of all trigrams (three-word sequences) from the training sentences

vocab_size = len(unigram_counts) # Calculate the size of the vocabulary (number of unique unigrams) from the training data

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def sentence_probability(sentence, ngram_counts, lower_counts, n):
    """

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Calculates the probability of a given sentence using an n-gram model with Laplace smoothing.

Args:

sentence (list): A list of words representing the sentence (without start/end tokens).

ngram_counts (collections.Counter): Counts of n-grams from the training data.

lower_counts (collections.Counter): Counts of (n-1)-grams (context) from the training data.

For unigrams, this can be an empty Counter.

n (int): The order of the n-gram model (e.g., 1 for unigram, 2 for bigram, 3 for trigram).

Returns:

float: The probability of the sentence.

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prob = 1 # Initialize the total probability of the sentence to 1 (multiplicative identity)

sentence = ['<s>'] + sentence + ['</s>'] # Pad the input sentence with start and end tokens for consistent n-gram extract

for i in range(len(sentence) - n + 1): # Iterate through the padded sentence to extract all possible n-grams

ngram = tuple(sentence[i:i+n]) # Extract the current n-gram as a tuple

lower_ngram = tuple(sentence[i:i+n-1]) # Extract the (n-1)-gram as the context for the current n-gram

Apply Laplace smoothing (add-1 smoothing) to handle unseen n-grams and avoid zero probabilities

numerator = ngram_counts.get(ngram, 0) + 1 # Get count of current n-gram (0 if not found) and add 1 for smoothing

denominator = lower_counts.get(lower_ngram, 0) + vocab_size # Get count of context n-gram (0 if not found) and add vo

prob *= numerator / denominator # Multiply the total probability by the conditional probability of the current n-gram

return prob # Return the final calculated probability of the entire sentence

----- MINIMAL ONE CELL N-GRAM PROBABILITY CODE -----

from collections import Counter # Import Counter for efficient frequency counting of items

import math # Import math for mathematical operations like log and exp

Small sample training data (already tokenized for demonstration purposes)

train_sentences = [

['<s>', 'natural', 'language', 'processing', '</s>'],

['<s>', 'language', 'models', 'are', 'useful', '</s>'],

['<s>', 'ngram', 'models', 'predict', 'words', '</s>'],

['<s>', 'probability', 'is', 'important', '</s>'],

['<s>', 'language', 'processing', 'uses', 'models', '</s>']

]

Small sample test data (already tokenized for demonstration)

test_sentences = [

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['<s>', 'language', 'models', 'predict', 'words', '</s>'],
['<s>', 'natural', 'language', 'models', '</s>']
]

# Build n-grams function (redefined for this minimal example to be self-contained)
def build_ngram(sentences, n):
    ngrams = [] # Initialize an empty list to collect all n-grams
    for sent in sentences: # Iterate through each sentence in the provided list
        for i in range(len(sent) - n + 1): # Loop to extract all possible n-grams from the current sentence
            ngrams.append(tuple(sent[i:i+n])) # Append the extracted n-gram as a tuple to the list
    return Counter(ngrams) # Return a Counter object containing the frequency of each unique n-gram

unigram_counts = build_ngram(train_sentences, 1) # Build a Counter of all unigrams from the sample training sentences
bigram_counts = build_ngram(train_sentences, 2) # Build a Counter of all bigrams from the sample training sentences
trigram_counts = build_ngram(train_sentences, 3) # Build a Counter of all trigrams from the sample training sentences

vocab_size = len(unigram_counts) # Calculate the vocabulary size based on the number of unique unigrams in the training data

# Sentence probability with Laplace smoothing function (redefined for this minimal example)
def sentence_probability(sentence, ngram_counts, lower_counts, n):
    prob = 1 # Initialize the total probability of the sentence to 1
    for i in range(len(sentence) - n + 1): # Iterate through the sentence to extract all relevant n-grams
        ngram = tuple(sentence[i:i+n]) # Extract the current n-gram
        lower_ngram = tuple(sentence[i:i+n-1]) # Extract the (n-1)-gram, which serves as the context
        # Apply Laplace (add-1) smoothing: (count(ngram) + 1) / (count(context) + vocab_size)
        prob *= (ngram_counts.get(ngram, 0) + 1) / (lower_counts.get(lower_ngram, 0) + vocab_size)
    return prob # Return the calculated probability of the sentence

# Test sentences from the sample test data
test_sentences_sample = test_sentences[:5] # Select the first 5 sentences from the small test set for demonstration

for sent in test_sentences_sample: # Iterate through each selected test sentence
    words = sent[1:-1] # Extract the actual words from the sentence, excluding the '<s>' and '</s>' tokens for display
    print("Sentence:", " ".join(words)) # Print the current test sentence
    # Calculate and print probabilities for Unigram, Bigram, and Trigram models using the sentence_probability function
    print("Unigram Prob:", sentence_probability(sent, unigram_counts, Counter(), 1)) # Probability using unigram model
    print("Bigram Prob :", sentence_probability(sent, bigram_counts, unigram_counts, 2)) # Probability using bigram model
    print("Trigram Prob:", sentence_probability(sent, trigram_counts, bigram_counts, 3)) # Probability using trigram model
    print("-" * 40) # Print a separator line for better readability between sentences

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Sentence: language models predict words
Unigram Prob: 0.00020227160493827164
Bigram Prob : 2.8935185185185183e-05
Trigram Prob: 0.00011488970588235294

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Sentence: natural language models
Unigram Prob: 0.0015170370370370372
Bigram Prob : 0.00015432098765432098
Trigram Prob: 0.00048828125
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def perplexity(sentence, ngram_counts, lower_counts, n):
    """
    Calculates the perplexity of a given sentence using an n-gram model with Laplace smoothing.
    Perplexity is a measure of how well a probability distribution predicts a sample. A lower perplexity
    indicates a better language model.

    Args:
        sentence (list): A list of words representing the sentence (without start/end tokens).
        ngram_counts (collections.Counter): Counts of n-grams from the training data.
        lower_counts (collections.Counter): Counts of (n-1)-grams (context) from the training data.
                                         For unigrams, this can be an empty Counter.
        n (int): The order of the n-gram model.

    Returns:
        float: The perplexity score of the sentence.
    """
    sentence = ['<s>'] + sentence + ['</s>'] # Pad the input sentence with start and end tokens for consistent n-gram extract
    N = len(sentence) # Total number of tokens in the padded sentence, used for normalization in perplexity formula
    log_prob = 0 # Initialize the cumulative sum of natural logarithms of probabilities

    for i in range(len(sentence) - n + 1): # Iterate through the padded sentence to extract all possible n-grams
        ngram = tuple(sentence[i:i+n]) # Extract the current n-gram as a tuple
        lower_ngram = tuple(sentence[i:i+n-1]) # Extract the (n-1)-gram (context) for the current n-gram

        # Calculate probability with Laplace smoothing to avoid zero probabilities
        # Note: vocab_size should be correctly calculated from the unigram counts of the training data
        prob = (ngram_counts.get(ngram, 0) + 1) / (lower_counts.get(lower_ngram, 0) + vocab_size) # Conditional probability w
        log_prob += math.log(prob) # Add the natural logarithm of the calculated probability to the sum

    # Calculate perplexity using the formula: exp(- (sum of log probabilities) / N)
    return math.exp(-log_prob / N) # Return the calculated perplexity score


for sent in test_sentences_sample: # Loop through each sample test sentence
    words = sent[1:-1] # Extract words excluding start/end tokens for printing purposes
    print("Sentence:", " ".join(words)) # Print the current test sentence

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# Calculate and print perplexity for Unigram, Bigram, and Trigram models using the perplexity function
print("Unigram PP:", perplexity(words, unigram_counts, Counter(), 1)) # Perplexity using unigram model
print("Bigram PP :", perplexity(words, bigram_counts, unigram_counts, 2)) # Perplexity using bigram model
print("Trigram PP:", perplexity(words, trigram_counts, bigram_counts, 3)) # Perplexity using trigram model
print() # Print an empty line for better readability between the output of different sentences
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Sentence: language models predict words

Unigram PP: 4.127409061118283

Bigram PP : 5.707277056455109

Trigram PP: 4.535444049403089

Sentence: natural language models

Unigram PP: 3.662695064479402

Bigram PP : 5.785155024015764

Trigram PP: 4.594793419988139