Lab 5: Spam Detection

In this assignment, we will build a recurrent neural network to classify a SMS text message as "spam" or "not spam". In the process, you will

- 1. Clean and process text data for machine learning.
- 2. Understand and implement a character-level recurrent neural network.
- 3. Use torchtext to build recurrent neural network models.
- 4. Understand batching for a recurrent neural network, and use torchtext to implement RNN batching.

What to submit

Submit a PDF file containing all your code, outputs, and write-up. You can produce a PDF of your Google Colab file by going to File > Print and then save as PDF. The Colab instructions have more information.

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Colab Link:

https://colab.research.google.com/drive/1sphOiMnvd6m8OpcKdFBwvUBjzhMcM8qU?usp=sharing

As we are using the older version of the torchtext, please run the following to downgrade the torchtext version:

!pip install -U torch==1.8.0+cu111 torchtext==0.9.0 -f https://download.pytorch.org/whl/torch_stable.html

If you are interested to use the most recent version if torchtext, you can look at the following document to see how to convert the legacy version to the new version:

https://colab.research.google.com/github/pytorch/text/blob/master/examples/legacy_tutorial/migration_tutorial.ipynb

```
import torch
import torch.nn as nn
import torch.nn.functional as F
import torch.optim as optim
import numpy as np
```

Part 1. Data Cleaning [15 pt]

We will be using the "SMS Spam Collection Data Set" available at http://archive.ics.uci.edu/ml/datasets/SMS+Spam+Collection

There is a link to download the "Data Folder" at the very top of the webpage. Download the zip file, unzip it, and upload the file SMSSpamCollection to Colab.

Part (a) [2 pt]

Open up the file in Python, and print out one example of a spam SMS, and one example of a non-spam SMS.

What is the label value for a spam message, and what is the label value for a non-spam message?

```
spam found = False
ham \overline{found} = False
for line in open('SMSSpamCollection'):
    label, text = line.split('\t')
    if label == 'spam' and not spam found:
      print("Spam: ", text)
      spam found = True
    elif label == 'ham' and not ham_found:
      print("Non-spam: ", text)
      ham found = True
    if spam_found and ham_found:
      break
# the label for spam is "spam"
# the label for non-spam is "ham"
Non-spam: Go until jurong point, crazy.. Available only in bugis n
great world la e buffet... Cine there got amore wat...
Spam: Free entry in 2 a wkly comp to win FA Cup final tkts 21st May
2005. Text FA to 87121 to receive entry question(std txt rate)T&C's
apply 08452810075over18's
```

Part (b) [1 pt]

How many spam messages are there in the data set? How many non-spam messages are there in the data set?

```
spam_count = 0
ham_count = 0
for line in open('SMSSpamCollection'):
    label, text = line.split('\t')
    if label == 'spam':
```

```
spam_count += 1
elif label == 'ham':
    ham_count += 1
print("Spam: ", spam_count)
print("Non-spam: ", ham_count)

Spam: 747
Non-spam: 4827
```

Part (c) [4 pt]

We will be using the package torchtext to load, process, and batch the data. A tutorial to torchtext is available below. This tutorial uses the same Sentiment140 data set that we explored during lecture.

https://medium.com/@sonicboom8/sentiment-analysis-torchtext-55fb57b1fab8

Unlike what we did during lecture, we will be building a **character level RNN**. That is, we will treat each **character** as a token in our sequence, rather than each **word**.

Identify two advantage and two disadvantage of modelling SMS text messages as a sequence of characters rather than a sequence of words.

```
# advantages:
# (1) Spelling in SMS messages are often inconsistent, so words with
typos, short-
      forms, conjugations, dialectical spellings are recognized as
completely different
      despite having the same meaning, and mislabeled as
OutOfVocabulary words in
     word-based tokenization
# (2) Less tokens needed (only 256 different characters) than word-
based tokenization
     meaning less memory and time consumption
# Disadvantages
# (1) Each word will be represented instead as a long sequence of
tokens
# (2) Each individual tokens will carry less meaningful information
than words
```

Part (d) [1 pt]

We will be loading our data set using torchtext.data.TabularDataset.The constructor will read directly from the SMSSpamCollection file.

For the data file to be read successfuly, we need to specify the **fields** (columns) in the file. In our case, the dataset has two fields:

- a text field containing the sms messages,
- a label field which will be converted into a binary label.

Split the dataset into train, valid, and test. Use a 60-20-20 split. You may find this torchtext API page helpful: https://torchtext.readthedocs.io/en/latest/data.html#dataset

Hint: There is a Dataset method that can perform the random split for you.

```
import torchtext
from torchtext import data
import random
def tokenizer(s):
  return list(s.lower())
def toBinary(label):
  return 1 if label == 'spam' else 0
# the clean function is omitted for now, on the rationale that spam
messages may
# disproportionately contain more non-alphanumeric / links than non-
spam
# split the dataset into text and label fields
label_field = data.Field(sequential=False,
                         preprocessing=toBinary,
                         use vocab=False,
                         pad_token=None,
                         unk token=None,
                         is target=True,
                         batch first=True)
text field = data.Field(sequential=True,
                        tokenize=tokenizer,
                        include lengths=True,
                        batch first=True,
                        use vocab= True)
fields = [('label', label field), ('sms', text field)]
# using tabulardataset to load the dataset
dataset = data.TabularDataset(path='SMSSpamCollection', format='csv',
fields=fields, skip header=False, csv reader params={'delimiter': '\
t'})
train, valid, test = dataset.split(split ratio=[0.6, 0.2, 0.2],
random state=random.seed(123))
# test code
print(
    len(train),
    len(valid),
```

```
len(test)
spam printed = False
ham printed = False
for i in range(len(train)):
  example = train[i]
  if example.label == 1 and not spam printed:
    print("Spam: ", ''.join(str(t) for t in example.sms))
    spam printed = True
  elif example.label == 0 and not ham_printed:
    print("Non-spam: ", ''.join(str(t) for t in example.sms))
    ham printed = True
  elif spam printed and ham printed:
    break
6091 1115 1114
Non-spam: any pain on urination any thing else?
Spam: think ur smart ? win £200 this week in our weekly quiz, text
play to 85222 now!t&cs winnersclub po box 84, m26 3uz. 16+.
gbp1.50/week
```

Part (e) [2 pt]

You saw in part (b) that there are many more non-spam messages than spam messages. This **imbalance** in our training data will be problematic for training. We can fix this disparity by duplicating spam messages in the training set, so that the training set is roughly **balanced**.

Explain why having a balanced training set is helpful for training our neural network.

Note: if you are not sure, try removing the below code and train your mode.

```
# save the original training examples
old_train_examples = train.examples
# get all the spam messages in `train`
train_spam = []
for item in train.examples:
    if item.label == 1:
        train_spam.append(item)
# duplicate each spam message 6 more times
train.examples = old_train_examples + train_spam * 6

print(len(train),
    len(valid),
    len(test))
# having a balanced dataset ensures that the model does not bias
towards the majority class (ham),
# which could result in poor predictions of the minority class (spam)
```

Part (f) [1 pt]

We need to build the vocabulary on the training data by running the below code. This finds all the possible character tokens in the training set.

Explain what the variables text_field.vocab.stoi and text_field.vocab.itos represent.

```
text field.build vocab(train)
print(text field.vocab.stoi) # a dictionary containing the indexes of
all possible tokens
text field.vocab.itos # a list containing all of the possible tokens
defaultdict(<bound method Vocab. default unk index of
<torchtext.vocab.Vocab object at 0x7ab712086860>>, {'<unk>': 0,
'<pad>': 1, ' ': 2, 'e': 3, 'o': 4, 't': 5, 'a': 6, 'i': 7, 'n': 8,
's': 9, 'r': 10, 'l': 11, 'h': 12, 'u': 13, 'd': 14, '.': 15, 'm': 16,
'y': 17, 'c': 18, 'w': 19, 'g': 20, 'p': 21, 'f': 22, 'b': 23, 'k':
24, 'v': 25, '0': 26, ',': 27, "'": 28, '2': 29, '1': 30, 'x': 31, '?': 32, '!': 33, '8': 34, '4': 35, '5': 36, 'j': 37, '7': 38, '&':
39, '3': 40, '6': 41, ':': 42, ';': 43, '9': 44, 'z': 45, '-': 46,
')': 47, '/': 48, '*': 49, '£': 50, '"': 51, 'q': 52, '#': 53, 'ü':
54, '+': 55, '(': 56, '|': 57, '=': 58, '@': 59, '\x92': 60, ''': 61,
'>': 62, '$': 63, '_': 64, '...': 65, '%': 66, '[': 67, ']': 68, 'é': 69, '<': 70, '\\': 71, ''': 72, '\t': 73, '\n': 74, '~': 75, '\x94':
76, '\x96': 77, '-': 78, '"': 79, '\x91': 80, '\x93': 81, '»': 82,
'è': 83, 'ì': 84, 'ú': 85})
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Part (g) [2 pt]

The tokens <unk> and <pad> were not in our SMS text messages. What do these two values represent?

```
# <UNK> token is used to limit the number of distinct tokens by
converting excess tokens to <UNK> token
# <PAD> token is added to shorter inputs so that all inputs end up
with the same length
```

Part (h) [2 pt]

Since text sequences are of variable length, torchtext provides a BucketIterator data loader, which batches similar length sequences together. The iterator also provides functionalities to pad sequences automatically.

Take a look at 10 batches in train_iter. What is the maximum length of the input sequence in each batch? How many <pad> tokens are used in each of the 10 batches?

```
batch size=batchSize,
                                            sort key=lambda x:
len(x.sms),
                                            sort within batch=True,
                                            repeat=False)
test iter = torchtext.data.BucketIterator(test,
                                            batch size=batchSize,
                                            sort key=lambda x:
len(x.sms),
                                            sort within batch=True,
                                            repeat=False)
count = 1
for batch in train iter:
    pad count = 0
    print(f"Batch {count} Max Length: {len(batch.sms[0])} ")
    for i in range(len(batch.sms[0])):
      for c in batch.sms[0][i]:
        if c == 1:
          pad count += 1
    print(f"Number of <pad> tokens in Batch {count}: {pad count}")
    count += 1
    if count > 10:
      break
print(len(train iter))
Batch 1 Max Length: 161
Number of <pad> tokens in Batch 1: 0
Batch 2 Max Length: 165
Number of <pad> tokens in Batch 2: 48
Batch 3 Max Length: 144
Number of <pad> tokens in Batch 3: 9
Batch 4 Max Length: 155
Number of <pad> tokens in Batch 4: 0
Batch 5 Max Length: 46
Number of <pad> tokens in Batch 5: 55
Batch 6 Max Length: 159
Number of <pad> tokens in Batch 6: 0
Batch 7 Max Length: 135
Number of <pad> tokens in Batch 7: 0
Batch 8 Max Length: 99
Number of <pad> tokens in Batch 8: 75
Batch 9 Max Length: 158
Number of <pad> tokens in Batch 9: 0
Batch 10 Max Length: 159
Number of <pad> tokens in Batch 10: 14
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```

Part 2. Model Building [8 pt]

Build a recurrent neural network model, using an architecture of your choosing. Use the one-hot embedding of each character as input to your recurrent network. Use one or more fully-connected layers to make the prediction based on your recurrent network output.

Instead of using the RNN output value for the final token, another often used strategy is to max-pool over the entire output array. That is, instead of calling something like:

```
out, _ = self.rnn(x)
self.fc(out[:, -1, :])
```

where self.rnn is an nn.RNN, nn.GRU, or nn.LSTM module, and self.fc is a fully-connected layer, we use:

```
out, _ = self.rnn(x)
self.fc(torch.max(out, dim=1)[0])
```

This works reasonably in practice. An even better alternative is to concatenate the max-pooling and average-pooling of the RNN outputs:

We encourage you to try out all these options. The way you pool the RNN outputs is one of the "hyperparameters" that you can choose to tune later on.

```
# You might find this code helpful for obtaining
# PyTorch one-hot vectors.
vocab size = len(text field.vocab.itos)
ident = torch.eye(vocab size)
print(ident[0]) # one-hot vector
print(ident[1]) # one-hot vector
x = torch.tensor([[1, 2], [3, 4]])
print(ident[x]) # one-hot vectors
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   0., 0., 0.,
   0., 0., 0.,
```

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```
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         0., 0.,
         0.111)
class RNN(nn.Module): # define class RNN which inherits from pytorch
NN base class
 def init (self, vocab size, embedding size, hidden size, n layers
= 1): # initializer of the RNN class, wealled when a new instance is
created
   super(RNN, self).__init__() # calls the constructor of the parent
class
   self.ident = torch.eye(vocab size)
   self.embedding = nn.Linear(vocab size, embedding size)
   self.rnn = nn.GRU(embedding size, hidden size, n layers,
batch_first = True)
   self.fc = nn.Linear(hidden size, 2)
 def forward(self, x):
   one hot = [self.ident[sms] for sms in x]
   input = torch.stack(one hot)
   embedding out = self.embedding(input)
   out, = self.rnn(embedding out)
   out = torch.max(out, dim=1)[0]
   output = self.fc(out)
    return output
class RNN1(nn.Module): # define class RNN which inherits from pytorch
NN base class
 def __init__(self, vocab_size, embedding_size, hidden_size, n_layers
= 1): # initializer of the RNN class, wcalled when a new instance is
   super(RNN1, self). init () # calls the constructor of the parent
class
   self.ident = torch.eye(vocab size)
   self.embedding = nn.Linear(vocab size, embedding size)
   self.rnn = nn.GRU(embedding size, hidden size, n layers,
batch first = True)
   self.fc = nn.Linear(2*hidden_size, 2)
 def forward(self, x):
```

Part 3. Training [16 pt]

Part (a) [4 pt]

Complete the get_accuracy function, which will compute the accuracy (rate) of your model across a dataset (e.g. validation set). You may modify torchtext.data.BucketIterator to make your computation faster.

```
def get_accuracy(model, data):
    """ Compute the accuracy of the `model` across a dataset `data`

    Example usage:

>>> model = MyRNN() # to be defined
>>> get_accuracy(model, valid) # the variable `valid` is from
above
    """

correct, total = 0,0
    for sms, label in data:
        output = model(sms[0])
        pred = output.max(1, keepdim=True)[1]
        correct += pred.eq(label.view_as(pred)).sum().item()
        total += label.shape[0]
    return correct / total
```

Part (b) [4 pt]

Train your model. Plot the training curve of your final model. Your training curve should have the training/validation loss and accuracy plotted periodically.

Note: Not all of your batches will have the same batch size. In particular, if your training set does not divide evenly by your batch size, there will be a batch that is smaller than the rest.

```
def get_model_name(name, batch_size, learning_rate, epoch):
```

```
path = "model {0} bs{1} lr{2} epoch{3}".format(name,
                                                  batch size,
                                                  learning rate,
                                                 epoch)
  return path
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
def plot training curve(path):
  # get latest epoch path
 # get train_loss, val_loss, accuracy from csv files based on path
  # (repeat the number of epochs times (should be same as
len(train loss)))
 # graphia 1
 # plot training loss and validation loss from train loss and
val loss arrays on the y axis
 # epochs on the x axis
 # graphia 2
 # plot validation accuracy on the y-axis
 # epochs on the x axis
 training loss = np.loadtxt("{} train loss.csv".format(path))
  validation_loss = np.loadtxt("{}_valid_loss.csv".format(path))
 training_accuracy = np.loadtxt("{}_train_accuracy.csv".format(path))
  validation_accuracy = np.loadtxt("{}_val_accuracy.csv".format(path))
  plt.title("Loss Curve")
  plt.plot(training_loss, label = "Training Loss")
  plt.plot(validation loss, label = "Validation Loss")
  plt.xlabel("Epochs")
  plt.ylabel("Training / validation Loss")
  plt.leaend()
  plt.show()
  plt.title("Accuracy Curve")
  plt.plot(training accuracy, label = "Training Accuracy")
  plt.plot(validation_accuracy, label = "Validation_Accuracy")
  plt.xlabel("Epochs")
  plt.ylabel("Training / validation Accuracy")
  plt.legend()
  plt.show()
  return
import time
# initialize the variables
# batchSize see Iter section
learningRate = 1e-3
epochs = 50
```

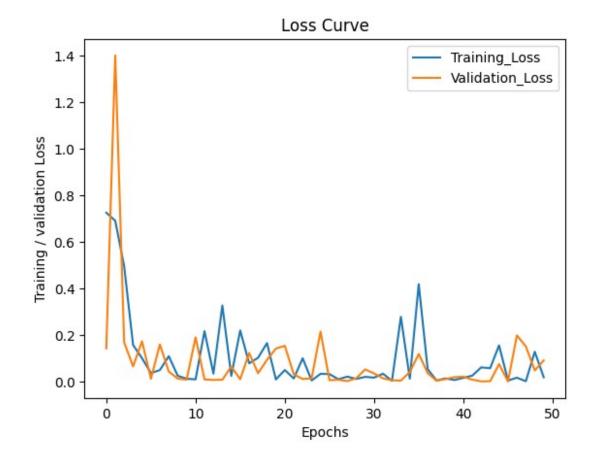
```
loss fn = torch.nn.CrossEntropyLoss()
embedding size = 16
hidden size = 64
output size = 2
vocab size = 86
def train model(model, train, valid, num epochs = epochs,
learning rate = learningRate, batch size = batchSize, loss function =
loss fn):
  start time = time.time()
  optimizer = torch.optim.Adam(model.parameters(), lr=learningRate)
 train loss, valid loss, train accuracy, val accuracy = [], [], [],
[]
  for epoch in range(num epochs):
    for sms, label in train iter:
          optimizer.zero grad()
          output = model(sms[0])
          loss = loss function(output, label)
          loss.backward()
          optimizer.step()
    for sms, label in valid iter:
          optimizer.zero grad()
          val output = model(sms[0])
          val loss = loss function(val output, label)
    train loss.append(float(loss))
    valid loss.append(float(val loss))
    train accuracy.append(get accuracy(model, train))
    val accuracy.append(get accuracy(model, valid))
    print(("Epoch {}: Train loss: {} |"+" Validation loss: {} |"+"
Training Accuracy: {} |" + " Validation Accuracy: {}").format(
                  epoch + 1,
                  train loss[epoch],
                  valid loss[epoch],
                  train accuracy[epoch],
                  val accuracy[epoch]))
    path = get model name("RNN", batch size, learning rate, epoch)
    torch.save(model.state dict(), path)
    end time = time.time()
    elapsed time = end time - start time
    print("Total time elapsed: {:.2f} seconds".format(elapsed time))
    epochs = np.arange(1, num epochs + 1)
    np.savetxt("{} train loss.csv".format(path), train loss)
```

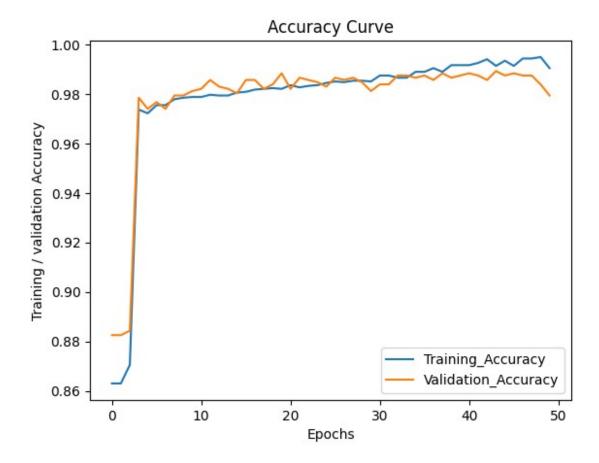
```
np.savetxt("{}_valid_loss.csv".format(path), valid_loss)
np.savetxt("{}_train_accuracy.csv".format(path), train_accuracy)
np.savetxt("{}_val_accuracy.csv".format(path), val_accuracy)

return model

model = RNN(vocab_size, embedding_size, hidden_size)
model = train_model(model, train_iter, valid_iter)

path = get_model_name("RNN", batchSize, learningRate, epochs-1)
plot_training_curve(path)
```





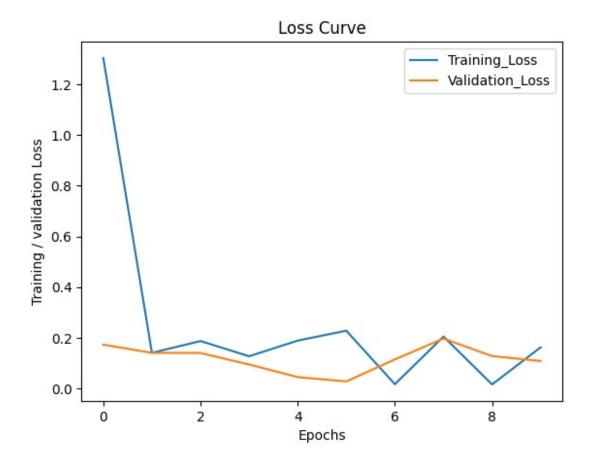
Part (c) [4 pt]

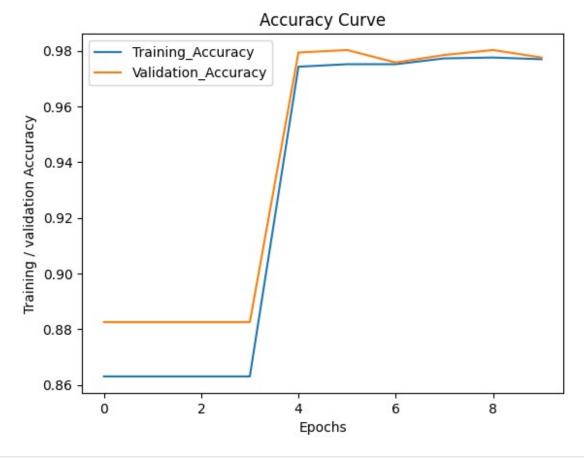
Choose at least 4 hyperparameters to tune. Explain how you tuned the hyperparameters. You don't need to include your training curve for every model you trained. Instead, explain what hyperparameters you tuned, what the best validation accuracy was, and the reasoning behind the hyperparameter decisions you made.

For this assignment, you should tune more than just your learning rate and epoch. Choose at least 2 hyperparameters that are unrelated to the optimizer.

```
# Baseline stats (at epoch 50):
# Training Loss: 0.0014 | Validation Loss: 0.0002 | Training Accuracy:
0.99 | Validation Accuracy: 0.99
# Training time: 420s (~10 s per epoch)
# Comment: Very high accuracy and low loss in both training and
validation, however, training time is too long
# Hyperparameter 1: Hidden size
# (Use 10 epochs to save time)
# Half number of embedding and hidden units
embedding_size = 8
hidden_size = 32
```

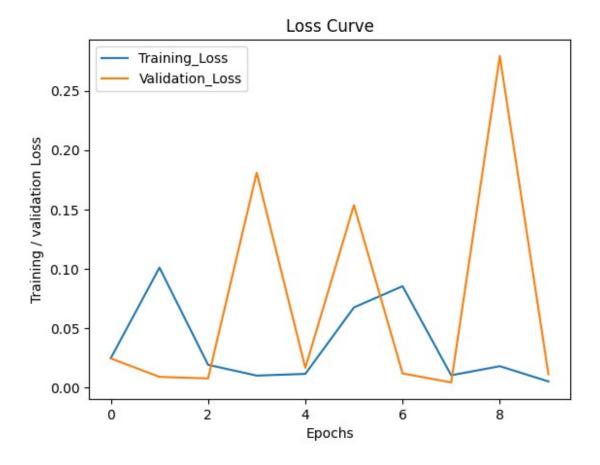
```
epochs = 10
model = RNN(vocab size, embedding size, hidden size)
model = train model(model, train iter, valid iter, epochs)
path = get model name("RNN", batchSize, learningRate, epochs-1)
plot training curve(path)
# Finding: Training time decreased by ~1 seconds per epoch, at little
cost to accuracy
Epoch 1: Train loss: 1.3038406372070312 | Validation loss:
0.17275692522525787 | Training Accuracy: 0.8629973078073586 |
Validation Accuracy: 0.8825112107623319
Total time elapsed: 8.66 seconds
Epoch 2: Train loss: 0.1403578519821167 | Validation loss:
0.14037011563777924 | Training Accuracy: 0.8629973078073586 |
Validation Accuracy: 0.8825112107623319
Total time elapsed: 16.77 seconds
Epoch 3: Train loss: 0.18694131076335907 | Validation loss:
0.1399572640657425 | Training Accuracy: 0.8629973078073586 |
Validation Accuracy: 0.8825112107623319
Total time elapsed: 24.07 seconds
Epoch 4: Train loss: 0.12692873179912567 | Validation loss:
0.09432573616504669 | Training Accuracy: 0.8629973078073586 |
Validation Accuracy: 0.8825112107623319
Total time elapsed: 33.13 seconds
Epoch 5: Train loss: 0.1886310577392578 | Validation loss:
0.04459283873438835 | Training Accuracy: 0.9742746036494166 |
Validation Accuracy: 0.979372197309417
Total time elapsed: 41.73 seconds
Epoch 6: Train loss: 0.22774051129817963 | Validation loss:
0.02761967107653618 | Training Accuracy: 0.97517200119653 | Validation
Accuracy: 0.9802690582959641
Total time elapsed: 49.64 seconds
Epoch 7: Train loss: 0.016632981598377228 | Validation loss:
0.11434141546487808 | Training Accuracy: 0.97517200119653 | Validation
Accuracy: 0.9757847533632287
Total time elapsed: 58.72 seconds
Epoch 8: Train loss: 0.20473693311214447 | Validation loss:
0.19683429598808289 | Training Accuracy: 0.9772659288064612 |
Validation Accuracy: 0.97847533632287
Total time elapsed: 67.28 seconds
Epoch 9: Train loss: 0.015760205686092377 | Validation loss:
0.12747609615325928 | Training Accuracy: 0.9775650613221657 |
Validation Accuracy: 0.9802690582959641
Total time elapsed: 74.49 seconds
Epoch 10: Train loss: 0.16219820082187653 | Validation loss:
0.10813242942094803 | Training Accuracy: 0.9769667962907568 |
Validation Accuracy: 0.9775784753363229
Total time elapsed: 82.88 seconds
```





```
{"type":"string"}
# Hyperparameter 2: Learning Rate
# Increase learning rate from 1e-3 to 5e-3
embedding size = 8
hidden size = 32
epochs = 10
learningRate = 5e-3
model = RNN(vocab size, embedding size, hidden size)
model = train model(model, train iter, valid iter, epochs,
learningRate)
path = get model name("RNN", batchSize, learningRate, epochs-1)
plot_training_curve(path)
# Finding: Training time decreased by 0.5 seconds per epoch,
# with the added benefit of a better starting loss and accuracy
Epoch 1: Train loss: 0.02492642030119896 | Validation loss:
0.024624042212963104 | Training Accuracy: 0.9721806760394855 |
Validation Accuracy: 0.97847533632287
Total time elapsed: 7.67 seconds
Epoch 2: Train loss: 0.10105710476636887 | Validation loss:
```

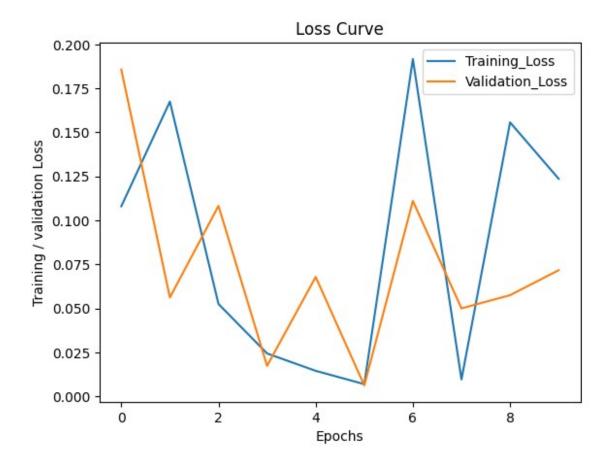
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0.009120353497564793 | Training Accuracy: 0.9742746036494166 |
Validation Accuracy: 0.979372197309417
Total time elapsed: 15.15 seconds
Epoch 3: Train loss: 0.019256358966231346 | Validation loss:
0.007801325526088476 | Training Accuracy: 0.9784624588692791 |
Validation Accuracy: 0.9838565022421525
Total time elapsed: 23.65 seconds
Epoch 4: Train loss: 0.010178908705711365 | Validation loss:
0.1809934824705124 | Training Accuracy: 0.979060723900688 | Validation
Accuracy: 0.9838565022421525
Total time elapsed: 30.72 seconds
Epoch 5: Train loss: 0.01162690483033657 | Validation loss:
0.016707371920347214 | Training Accuracy: 0.9793598564163924 |
Validation Accuracy: 0.9820627802690582
Total time elapsed: 39.27 seconds
Epoch 6: Train loss: 0.06756395846605301 | Validation loss:
0.153651162981987 | Training Accuracy: 0.9820520490577326 | Validation
Accuracy: 0.9856502242152466
Total time elapsed: 47.92 seconds
Epoch 7: Train loss: 0.08542461693286896 | Validation loss:
0.012012815102934837 | Training Accuracy: 0.982949446604846 |
Validation Accuracy: 0.9856502242152466
Total time elapsed: 54.86 seconds
Epoch 8: Train loss: 0.010452966205775738 | Validation loss:
0.004437850788235664 | Training Accuracy: 0.9847442416990727 |
Validation Accuracy: 0.9874439461883409
Total time elapsed: 63.41 seconds
Epoch 9: Train loss: 0.01808145083487034 | Validation loss:
0.2791648507118225 | Training Accuracy: 0.9835477116362549 |
Validation Accuracy: 0.9883408071748879
Total time elapsed: 70.58 seconds
Epoch 10: Train loss: 0.005280190147459507 | Validation loss:
0.011376112699508667 | Training Accuracy: 0.9832485791205504 |
Validation Accuracy: 0.9856502242152466
Total time elapsed: 80.42 seconds
```

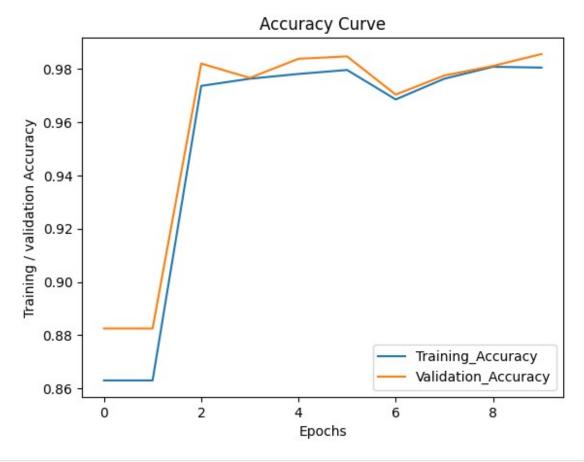


Accuracy Curve Training_Accuracy 0.988 Validation Accuracy 0.986 Training / validation Accuracy 0.984 0.982 0.980 0.978 0.976 0.974 0.972 2 6 8 0 4 Epochs

```
# Hyperparameter 3: Batch Size
# Increase batch size from 32 to 64
embedding size = 8
hidden size = 32
epochs = 10
learningRate = 5e-3
batchSize = 64
model = RNN(vocab size, embedding size, hidden size)
model = train model(model, train iter, valid iter, epochs,
learningRate, batchSize)
path = get model name("RNN", batchSize, learningRate, epochs-1)
plot training curve(path)
# Finding: Training time decreased by a further 1.5 seconds per epoch,
# with marginal effect on loss and accuracy
Epoch 1: Train loss: 0.10801079869270325 | Validation loss:
0.18570633232593536 | Training Accuracy: 0.8629973078073586 |
Validation Accuracy: 0.8825112107623319
Total time elapsed: 5.98 seconds
Epoch 2: Train loss: 0.16749559342861176 | Validation loss:
0.05621068924665451 | Training Accuracy: 0.8629973078073586 |
```

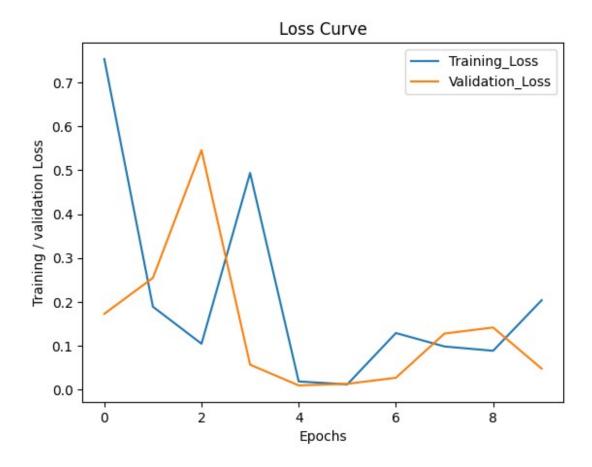
```
Validation Accuracy: 0.8825112107623319
Total time elapsed: 10.68 seconds
Epoch 3: Train loss: 0.052534110844135284 | Validation loss:
0.10825938731431961 | Training Accuracy: 0.9736763386180077 |
Validation Accuracy: 0.9820627802690582
Total time elapsed: 16.39 seconds
Epoch 4: Train loss: 0.02440551668405533 | Validation loss:
0.017366068437695503 | Training Accuracy: 0.9763685312593479 |
Validation Accuracy: 0.9766816143497757
Total time elapsed: 21.00 seconds
Epoch 5: Train loss: 0.014538820832967758 | Validation loss:
0.06788955628871918 | Training Accuracy: 0.9781633263535746 |
Validation Accuracy: 0.9838565022421525
Total time elapsed: 26.28 seconds
Epoch 6: Train loss: 0.006996590178459883 | Validation loss:
0.006254886742681265 | Training Accuracy: 0.9796589889320969 |
Validation Accuracy: 0.9847533632286996
Total time elapsed: 31.53 seconds
Epoch 7: Train loss: 0.19167804718017578 | Validation loss:
0.11104919016361237 | Training Accuracy: 0.968591085851032 |
Validation Accuracy: 0.9704035874439462
Total time elapsed: 36.23 seconds
Epoch 8: Train loss: 0.009669872932136059 | Validation loss:
0.05002737417817116 | Training Accuracy: 0.9763685312593479 |
Validation Accuracy: 0.9775784753363229
Total time elapsed: 42.21 seconds
Epoch 9: Train loss: 0.1556772142648697 | Validation loss:
0.057533979415893555 | Training Accuracy: 0.9808555189949147 |
Validation Accuracy: 0.9811659192825112
Total time elapsed: 47.11 seconds
Epoch 10: Train loss: 0.12362793833017349 | Validation loss:
0.07172708213329315 | Training Accuracy: 0.9805563864792103 |
Validation Accuracy: 0.9856502242152466
Total time elapsed: 52.38 seconds
```

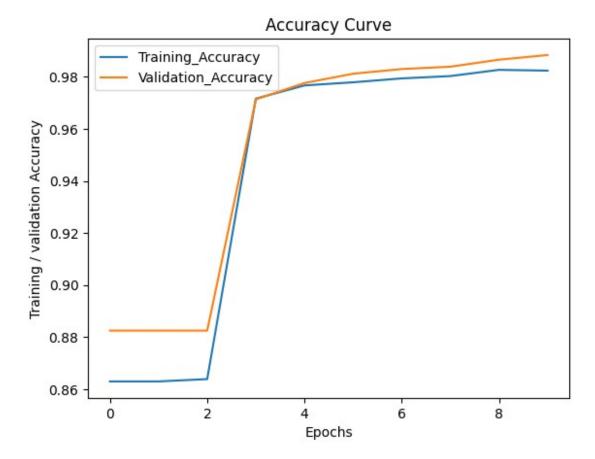




```
# Hyperparameter 4: Average Pooling
# replaced max pooling with average pooling in the model architecture
embedding size = 8
hidden size = 32
epochs = 10
learningRate = 5e-3
batchSize = 64
model = RNN1(vocab size, embedding size, hidden size)
model = train model(model, train iter, valid iter, epochs,
learningRate, batchSize)
path = get_model_name("RNN1", batchSize, learningRate, epochs-1)
plot training curve(path)
# Comment: the accuracy is improved at no cost to training time
# Epoch 10 is selected as the final model due to its high validation
accuracy and relative untrained-ness
Epoch 1: Train loss: 0.7537558078765869 | Validation loss:
0.1727001816034317 | Training Accuracy: 0.8629973078073586 |
Validation Accuracy: 0.8825112107623319
Total time elapsed: 7.02 seconds
Epoch 2: Train loss: 0.18893708288669586 | Validation loss:
```

```
0.25458744168281555 | Training Accuracy: 0.8629973078073586 |
Validation Accuracy: 0.8825112107623319
Total time elapsed: 12.04 seconds
Epoch 3: Train loss: 0.10445796698331833 | Validation loss:
0.54591965675354 | Training Accuracy: 0.863894705354472 | Validation
Accuracy: 0.8825112107623319
Total time elapsed: 17.95 seconds
Epoch 4: Train loss: 0.49397796392440796 | Validation loss:
0.05671921744942665 | Training Accuracy: 0.9715824110080766 |
Validation Accuracy: 0.9713004484304932
Total time elapsed: 23.07 seconds
Epoch 5: Train loss: 0.018507180735468864 | Validation loss:
0.009409322403371334 | Training Accuracy: 0.9766676637750523 |
Validation Accuracy: 0.9775784753363229
Total time elapsed: 28.22 seconds
Epoch 6: Train loss: 0.011805007234215736 | Validation loss:
0.01306191086769104 | Training Accuracy: 0.9778641938378702 |
Validation Accuracy: 0.9811659192825112
Total time elapsed: 33.93 seconds
Epoch 7: Train loss: 0.12889249622821808 | Validation loss:
0.02685563452541828 | Training Accuracy: 0.9793598564163924 |
Validation Accuracy: 0.9829596412556054
Total time elapsed: 38.88 seconds
Epoch 8: Train loss: 0.09823087602853775 | Validation loss:
0.12774693965911865 | Training Accuracy: 0.9802572539635058 |
Validation Accuracy: 0.9838565022421525
Total time elapsed: 44.89 seconds
Epoch 9: Train loss: 0.08840955793857574 | Validation loss:
0.14155946671962738 | Training Accuracy: 0.9826503140891415 |
Validation Accuracy: 0.9865470852017937
Total time elapsed: 49.34 seconds
Epoch 10: Train loss: 0.20378783345222473 | Validation loss:
0.04761816933751106 | Training Accuracy: 0.982351181573437 |
Validation Accuracy: 0.9883408071748879
Total time elapsed: 54.54 seconds
```





Part (d) [2 pt]

Before we deploy a machine learning model, we usually want to have a better understanding of how our model performs beyond its validation accuracy. An important metric to track is *how* well our model performs in certain subsets of the data.

In particular, what is the model's error rate amongst data with negative labels? This is called the false positive rate.

What about the model's error rate amongst data with positive labels? This is called the **false negative rate**.

Report your final model's false positive and false negative rate across the validation set.

```
sort within batch=True,
# sort within each batch
                                            repeat=False)
# repeat the iterator for many epochs
# Create a Dataset of only non-spam validation examples
valid nospam = torchtext.data.Dataset(
    [e for e in valid.examples if e.label == 0],
    valid.fields)
valid nospam iter = torchtext.data.BucketIterator(valid nospam,
                                            batch size=32,
                                            sort key=lambda x:
len(x.sms), # to minimize padding
                                            sort within batch=True,
# sort within each batch
                                            repeat=False)
# repeat the iterator for many epochs
final model = RNN1(86, 8, 32)
state = torch.load("model RNN1 bs64 lr0.005 epoch9")
final model.load state dict(state)
<All keys matched successfully>
print("The model's false positive rate is {}.".format(1 -
get accuracy(final model, valid nospam iter)))
print("The model's false negative rate is {}.".format(1 -
get accuracy(final model, valid spam iter)))
The model's false positive rate is 0.00101626016260159.
The model's false negative rate is 0.09160305343511455.
```

Part (e) [2 pt]

The impact of a false positive vs a false negative can be drastically different. If our spam detection algorithm was deployed on your phone, what is the impact of a false positive on the phone's user? What is the impact of a false negative?

```
# A false positive would filter out non-spam messages as spam,
# resulting in missing chunks (thus inconvenience) from normal user
communications

# A false negative would result in spam messages getting through and
users have
# the possibility to fall prey to such spams believing falsely that
spams have already been filtered
```

Part 4. Evaluation [11 pt]

Part (a) [1 pt]

Report the final test accuracy of your model.

```
print("The final test accuracy of my model is
{}.".format(get_accuracy(final_model, test_iter)))
The final test accuracy of my model is 0.981149012567325.
```

Part (b) [3 pt]

Report the false positive rate and false negative rate of your model across the test set.

```
# Create a Dataset of only spam validation examples
test_spam = torchtext.data.Dataset(
    [e for e in test.examples if e.label == 1],
    test.fields)
test spam iter = torchtext.data.BucketIterator(test spam,
                                            batch_size=32,
                                            sort key=lambda x:
len(x.sms), # to minimize padding
                                            sort within batch=True,
# sort within each batch
                                            repeat=False)
# repeat the iterator for many epochs
# Create a Dataset of only non-spam validation examples
test nospam = torchtext.data.Dataset(
    [e for e in test.examples if e.label == 0],
    test.fields)
test nospam iter = torchtext.data.BucketIterator(test_nospam,
                                            batch size=32,
                                            sort key=lambda x:
len(x.sms), # to minimize padding
                                            sort within batch=True,
# sort within each batch
                                            repeat=False)
# repeat the iterator for many epochs
print("The model's false positive rate is {}.".format(1 -
get accuracy(final model, test nospam iter)))
print("The model's false negative rate is {}.".format(1 -
get accuracy(final model, test spam iter)))
```

```
The model's false positive rate is 0.004184100418409997. The model's false negative rate is 0.10759493670886078.
```

Part (c) [3 pt]

What is your model's prediction of the **probability** that the SMS message "machine learning is sooo cool!" is spam?

Hint: To begin, use text_field.vocab.stoi to look up the index of each character in the vocabulary.

```
msg = "machine learning is sooo cool!"
char_indexs = []
for char in msg:
    char_indexs.append(torch.tensor(text_field.vocab.stoi[char]))

x = torch.stack(char_indexs)
x.unsqueeze_(0)

print("Probability returned from the model is
{}".format(F.softmax(final_model(x), dim=1)[0][1].item()))

Probability returned from the model is 0.0017153517110273242
```

Part (d) [4 pt]

Do you think detecting spam is an easy or difficult task?

Since machine learning models are expensive to train and deploy, it is very important to compare our models against baseline models: a simple model that is easy to build and inexpensive to run that we can compare our recurrent neural network model against.

Explain how you might build a simple baseline model. This baseline model can be a simple neural network (with very few weights), a hand-written algorithm, or any other strategy that is easy to build and test.

Do not actually build a baseline model. Instead, provide instructions on how to build it.

Compared to more complex tasks like natural language / music / image generation, adaquate spam detection is a relatively simple task. One issue which complicates the task, however, is evolving spam tactics aimed at evading latest spam filters, which require continuous update and retraining of detection models.

A simple, non machine learning baseline model can be an algorithm that look for several criteria of potential spams:

- Keywords ("win", "prize", etc.),
- Redirections (punctuation, typo, links, phone and email addresses)
- Speech patterns (punctuation, typo, message length, etc.)

There are other criteria, but the three listed above are most suitable for the dataset provided here.