Assignment: Text Classification API with FastAPI, Docker, and Hugging Face Transformers

Objective:

Develop a RESTful API using FastAPI that utilizes a pre-trained Hugging Face Transformer model to perform text classification (sentiment analysis, emotion classification, etc). The API will be containerized using Docker.

Deadline: Sunday 21 April, 2024

Requirements:

1. API Development:

- Use FastAPI to develop an API with a POST endpoint /analyze that accepts
 JSON input containing a text field and returns the sentiment/emotion/etc of the text.
- Integrate the model from Hugging Face Transformers.

2. Model Integration:

- Utilize the transformers library from Hugging Face to load the pre-trained model
- Ensure the API handles the model loading efficiently, possibly using FastAPI's background tasks or startup events.

3. Containerization:

- Create a Dockerfile to containerize your FastAPI application.
- Ensure the Docker container can be built and run locally, encapsulating all necessary dependencies.

4. Testing:

- Write at least three API tests using FastAPI's TestClient (examples for sentiment):
 - Test sending a positive sentiment text.
 - Test sending a negative sentiment text.
 - Test sending a neutral sentiment text (if applicable).
- 5. **Deployment:** Deploy the endpoint on hugging-face spaces

6. Documentation:

- Document your API using FastAPI's automatic documentation features (Swagger UI or ReDoc).
- Provide a <u>README.md</u> file with instructions on how to build and run the Docker container, and how to interact with the API.

Submission:

• Submit your Huggingface space link, GitHub repository link, containing all code, Dockerfile, tests, and documentation.

Scoring Criteria API Assignment (Total: 15 Marks)

- 1. API Functionality (5 Marks)
- Correct Implementation (3 Marks): The API must correctly implement the POST endpoint '/analyze' that accurately analyzes the sentiment/emotion/etc of the text using the specified model.
- Error Handling (2 Marks): Proper error handling for edge cases, such as invalid input or server errors.

2. Model Integration and Efficiency (3 Marks)

- Model Loading (1.5 Marks): Efficient loading and integration of the Hugging Face model using FastAPI's advanced features (like startup events).
- Response Time (1.5 Marks): API response times are reasonable, demonstrating efficient use of resources.

3. Containerization (3 Marks)

• Dockerfile Configuration (1.5 Marks): Dockerfile is correctly set up to build and run the API within a Docker container, including all necessary dependencies.

• Container Execution (1.5 Marks): The container can be easily built and run, with no errors and minimal setup required from the user.

4.Testing and Reliability (2 Marks)

• API Tests (2 Marks): At least three meaningful tests using FastAPI's TestClient that cover different scenarios and demonstrate the API's robustness.

5.Documentation and Code Quality (2 Marks)

- Code Clarity and Modularity (1 Mark): Code is well-organized, modular, and includes appropriate comments.
- Documentation (1 Mark): The API is well-documented with clear instructions in the README.md on building, running, and interacting with the container and API, including usage of the Swagger UI or ReDoc.