

Milestone2

1. **Research question:** Evaluate how different tokenization strategies impact the performance and efficiency of large language models (LLMs) in multilingual tasks.
 - a. Quantify performance metrics (e.g., BLEU, F1-score).
 - b. Measure efficiency trade-offs (model size, computational cost, inference speed).
2. Related Work:
 - a. Analyze Sennrich et al. (2016) for insights into handling rare words with subword units.
 - b. Study Kudo (2018) to understand subword regularization and its effect on neural machine translation models.
3. Method:
 - a. Tokenization Strategies
 - i. Byte Pair Encoding (BPE).
 - ii. Unigram Language Model.
 - iii. Subword Sampling.
 - b. Multilingual Datasets
 - i. Dataset Selection Criteria:
 1. Language Diversity: Include high-resource (e.g., English, Chinese) and low-resource (e.g., Swahili, Urdu) languages.
 - ii. Tasks:
 1. Translation: Use datasets like WMT.
 2. Sentiment Analysis: Use datasets like Multilingual Amazon Reviews or XNLI.
 - iii. Preprocess datasets to standardize input for each tokenization strategy.
 - c. LLM Training/Fine-tuning
 - i. Model Selection: Start with a pre-trained LLM (e.g., mBERT, XLM-R, or BLOOM) to reduce computational cost and fine-tune models for each tokenization strategy on the selected datasets.
 - ii. Training Protocol:
 1. Keep hyperparameters constant across experiments.
 2. Train/fine-tune models to convergence or for a fixed number of epochs.
 3. Log metrics during training (e.g., loss, validation accuracy).
 - d. Evaluation Metrics
 - i. Translation tasks: BLEU Score: Measures translation quality.
 - ii. Sentiment analysis: F1-Score: Measures classification performance.
4. Preliminary result:
 - a. Right now, we are finished reading the related works and are fully understand how those three tokenization methods work.
 - b. We are moving forward to datasets and model selection phrase.
5. Preliminary discussion + question for the Tas
 - a. For CPU-only training, because I only have access to my Macbook, is this feasible? We should choose relatively small model and small dataset, right? Do

you have any recommendation for small pre-trained model? Or small datasets for translation and sentiment test?

- b. For the detailed step-by-step method, we are using right now, is there any place where we can modify? Is this plan sounds good?