

Day-3

Evaluation Scripts for LLMs (MMLU)

- ▼ How does the benchmark score get generated in the first place?

When a question from you is assessed by a model it has a choice of 4 to reply with according to the evaluation script, the model does not reply with a correct choice but instead with a log of probabilities or logits where each likelihood of an answer being correct has log applied to it, later softmax is used to transform them all into a sum of 1 and the highest value it taken as the models most confident answer and compared to the ground truth.

Here's the part of the code from the [evaluate.py](https://github.com/hendrycks/test/tree/master) script available on <https://github.com/hendrycks/test/tree/master>

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probs = softmax(np.array(lprobs))  
pred = {0: "A", 1: "B", 2: "C", 3: "D"}[np.argmax(probs)]
```

- Each answer is marked similarly as correct or not correct. After a dataset is completely evaluated for a specific subject the average is taken out where correct/total is taken for that set.
- Similarly, this is done for each subject and all averages are calculated and then a total average is taken out and converted into a percentage

A Specific Scenario of Interest

Given a question as such:

What is the Capital of Pakistan?

Correct Answer: Islamabad

MMLUs provided options

A. Islamabad

B. Karachi

C. Lahore

D. Sialkot

Ground Truth: A

This is how a MMLU dataset provides each question to a model and a model is supposed to give logits to each and the highest is compared to the ground truth , the ground truths are available in the label variable and here in the code below

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pred = {0: "A", 1: "B", 2: "C", 3: "D"}[np.argmax(lprobs)]
probs = softmax(np.array(lprobs))

cor = pred == label
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pred contains the models highest confidence answer and it is compared to the ground truth and a boolean value is then stored to the cor variable.

From what we can see using the evaluation script, the model can only reply with a choice which is compared to the ground truth , in this case the model should be replying with highest probability towards A and the pre defined ground truth should also be A and this will result in this being marked correct and adding to the overall benchmark score.

However a question came up , suppose this is the input question for evaluation to a model:

What is the Capital of France

Correct Answer: Paris

MMLUs provided options

A. Paris

B. Munich

C. Lahore

D. The Capital of France is Paris

Ground Truth: A

The query concerned why the evaluation script would prefer answer A over answer D and how.

First of all, the way MMLU works is as defined above, by giving the model a choice-based question and it strictly follows a format that expects a choice-based answer and compares it to the ground truth, if for example one model answers A and another model Answers D , both are technically correct however , as the ground truth is A and there is no concept of context in mmlu here the answer D will be marked incorrect, the reason for the ground truth being set to A only may also be due to the fact A being consistent with the question and other answers and as only a direct answer was required in this case and no explanations were asked, therefore as per my current understanding the other answer 'D' will be marked incorrect and so will have a zero numerical score.

Evaluation Script Working for MMLUs

From the evaluation script available on the official Github sited in the MMLU Paper

It works as follows

- Imports the OpenAi Api and Libraries
- Has a Function called Eval that goes over example questions and for a few shot scenario the model looks at the example and then a function creates a

prompt question from the dataset

- The prompt is sent to the OpenAi API and a probability answer log is collected
- Softmax is used to gain probabilities and the highest one is compared to the ground truth
- An avg is taken out for each subject and a percentage is taken out as benchmark