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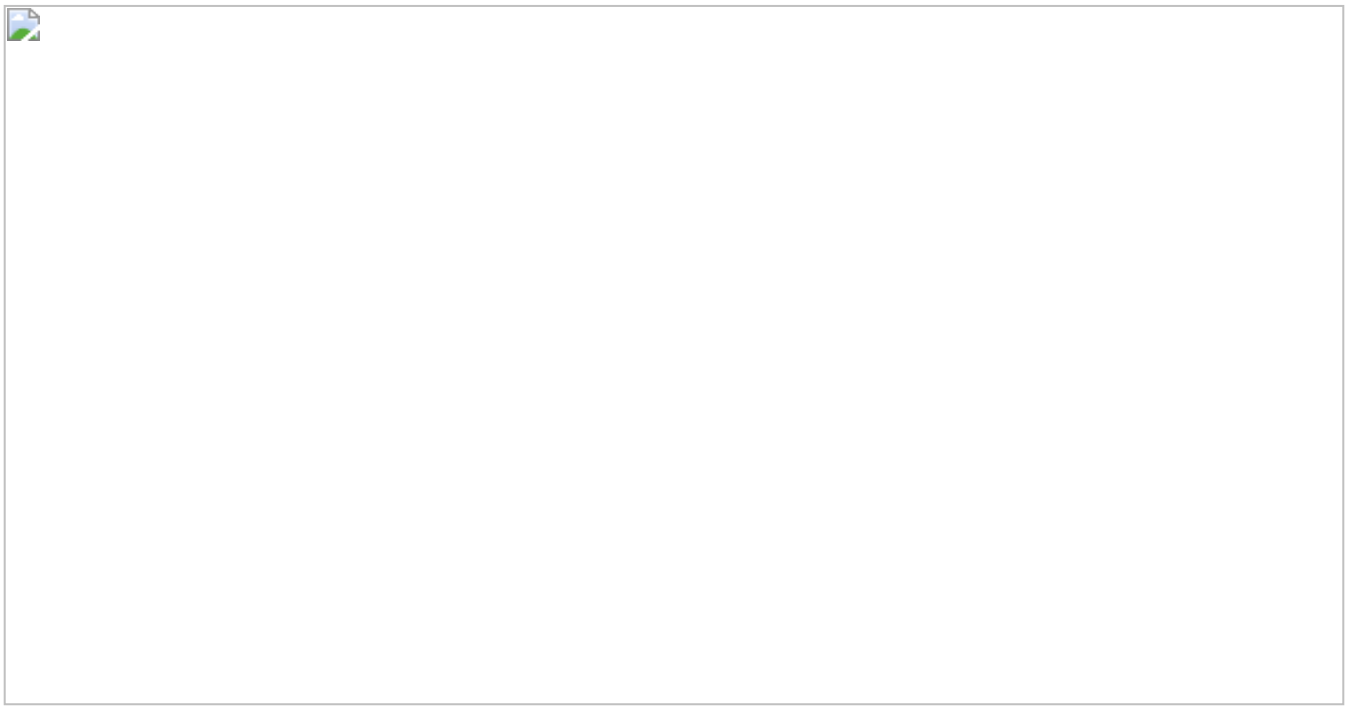
embedding-as-service

One-Stop Solution to encode sentence to fixed length vectors from various embedding techniques
• Inspired from bert-as-service



What is it

Encoding/Embedding is a upstream task of encoding any inputs in the form of text, image, audio, video, transactional data to fixed length vector. Embeddings are quite popular in the field of NLP, there has been various Embeddings models being proposed in recent years by researchers, some of the famous one are bert, xlnet, word2vec etc. The goal of this repo is to build one stop solution for all embeddings techniques available, here we are starting with popular text embeddings for now and later on we aim to add as much technique for image, audio, video inputs also.

`embedding-as-service` help you to encode any given text to fixed length vector from supported embeddings and models.

💾 Installation

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Here we have given the capability to use `embedding-as-service` like a module or you can run it as a server and handle queries by installing client package `embedding-as-service-client`

Using `embedding-as-service` as module

Install the embedding-as-servive via `pip` .

```
$ pip install embedding-as-service
```

Note that the code MUST be running on **Python >= 3.6**. Again module does not support Python 2!

Using `embedding-as-service` as a server

Here you also need to install a client module `embedding-as-service-client`

```
$ pip install embedding-as-service # server
$ pip install embedding-as-service-client # client
```

Client module need not to be on Python 3.6, it supports both Python2 and Python3

⚡ Getting Started

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1. Intialise encoder using supported embedding and models from here

If using `embedding-as-service` **as a module**

```
>>> from embedding_as_service.text.encode import Encoder
>>> en = Encoder(embedding='bert', model='bert_base_cased', max_seq_length=256)
```

If using `embedding-as-service` **as a server**

```
# start the server by proving embedding, model, port, max_seq_length[default=25
$ embedding-as-service-start --embedding bert --model bert_base_cased --port 80
```

```
>>> from embedding_as_service_client import EmbeddingClient
>>> en = EmbeddingClient(host=<host_server_ip>, port=<host_port>)
```

2. Get sentences tokens embedding

```
>>> vecs = en.encode(texts=['hello aman', 'how are you?'])
>>> vecs
array([[[ 1.7049843 ,  0.        ,  1.3486509 , ..., -1.3647075 ,
 0.6958289 ,  1.8013777 ], ... [ 0.4913215 ,  0.60877025,  0.73050433, ..., -0.
>>> vecs.shape
(2, 128, 768) # batch x max_sequence_length x embedding_size
```

3. Using pooling strategy, click here for more.

▶ *Supported Pooling Methods*

```
>>> vecs = en.encode(texts=['hello aman', 'how are you?'], pooling='reduce_mean
>>> vecs
array([[-0.33547154,  0.34566957,  1.1954105 , ...,  0.33702594,
 1.0317835 , -0.785943  ], [-0.3439088 ,  0.36881036,  1.0612687 , ...,  0.2885

>>> vecs.shape
(2, 768) # batch x embedding_size
```

4. Show embedding Tokens

```
>>> en.tokenize(texts=['hello aman', 'how are you?'])
[['_hello', '_aman'], ['_how', '_are', '_you', '?']]
```

5. Using your own tokenizer

```
>>> texts = ['hello aman!', 'how are you']

# a naive whitespace tokenizer
>>> tokens = [s.split() for s in texts]
>>> vecs = en.encode(tokens, is_tokenized=True)
```

📋 API

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1. **class** `embedding_as_service.text.encoder.Encoder`

Argument	Type	Default	Description
`embedding`	str	*Required*	embedding method to be used, check `Embedding` column here
`model`	str	*Required*	Model to be used for mentioned embedding, check `Model` column here
`max_seq_length`	int	128	Maximum Sequence Length, default is 128

2. **def** `embedding_as_service.text.encoder.Encoder.encode`

Argument	Type	Default	Description
`Texts`	List[str] or List[List[str]]	*Required*	List of sentences or list of list of sentence tokens in case of `is_tokenized=True`
`pooling`	str	(Optional)	Pooling methods to apply, here is available methods
`is_tokenized`	bool	`False`	set as True in case of tokens are passed for encoding
`batch_size`	int	`128`	maximum number of sequences handled by encoder, larger batch will be partitioned into small batches.

3. **def** `embedding_as_service.text.encoder.Encoder.tokenize`

Argument	Type	Default	Description
`Texts`	List[str]	*Required*	List of sentences

✅ Supported Embeddings and Models

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Here are the list of supported embeddings and their respective models.

	Embedding	Model	Embedding dimensions	Paper
1️⃣	**albert**	`albert_base`	768	Read Paper
		`albert_large`	1024	
		`albert_xlarge`	2048	
		`albert_xxlarge`	4096	

	Embedding	Model	Embedding dimensions	Paper
2️⃣	xlnet	xlnet_large_cased	1024	Read Paper
		xlnet_base_cased	768	
3️⃣	bert	bert_base_uncased	768	Read Paper
		bert_base_cased	768	
		bert_multi_cased	768	
		bert_large_uncased	1024	
		bert_large_cased	1024	
4️⃣	elmo	elmo_bi_lm	512	Read Paper
5️⃣	ulmfit	ulmfit_forward	300	Read Paper
		ulmfit_backward	300	
6️⃣	use	use_dan	512	Read Paper
		use_transformer_large	512	
		use_transformer_lite	512	
7️⃣	word2vec	google_news_300	300	Read Paper
8️⃣	fasttext	wiki_news_300	300	Read Paper
		wiki_news_300_sub	300	
		common_crawl_300	300	
		common_crawl_300_sub	300	
9️⃣	glove	twitter_200	200	Read Paper
		twitter_100	100	
		twitter_50	50	
		twitter_25	25	
		wiki_300	300	
		wiki_200	200	
		wiki_100	100	

Embedding	Model	Embedding dimensions	Paper
	wiki_50	50	
	crawl_42B_300	300	
	crawl_840B_300	300	

Credits

This software uses the following open source packages:

- XLnet
- tensorflow-hub

Contributors ✨

Thanks goes to these wonderful people (emoji key):

This project follows the all-contributors specification. Contributions of any kind welcome!

Please read the contribution guidelines first.

Citing

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