Project 5: LLM

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Preprocessing

- Question and passage into prompt template
- ### Question: ...\n ### Context: ...\n ### Answer: ...
- Labels into strings (True -> "true", False -> "false")
- Absolutely nothing else (Lower case, stemming, word remval, etc).

LLama tokenizer: TikToken

Input/output format

Max context length: 8k

- Input: Prompt from preprocessing (### Question: ...\n ### Context: ...\n ### Answer: ...)
- Output: 1 token which represents the answer ("true", "false")

- Train and Validation data has answer included in prompt for supervised fine tuning
- Test does not have the answer in prompt

Network architecture

- LLama 3.2
- Embedding: In 128256, Embedding dim 2048
- 16 Llama Transformer layers
- Head: Linear, In 2048, Out 12825

- Optimizer: AdamW
- Loss: Cross entropy loss
- LR: 1e-4, Cosine scheduling

Experiments

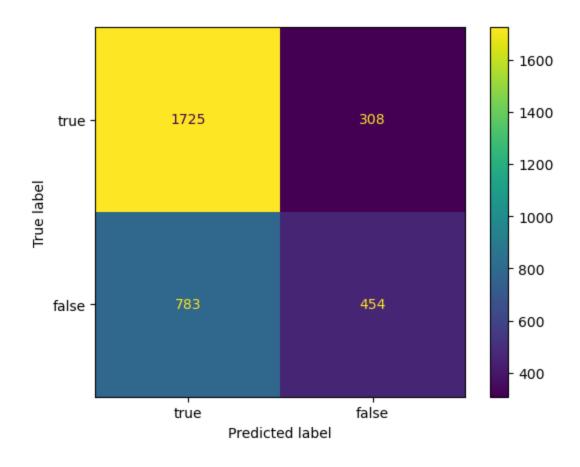
- Lora parameters
- R: 1,16,128,256
 - Lora attention dimension: the higher the more parameters can be changed by Lora
- Alpha: 0,1,16,128,256
 - Lora scaling: Scales the Lora weights, how strongly the weights are affected
- Max experiments: 4*5=20

Lots of conflicting and unclear info online therefore, try and see what happens

Results

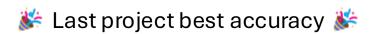
| | Train | Valid | Test |
|----------|---------|---------|--------|
| Loss | 15.1237 | 1.87837 | - |
| Accuracy | 0.6829 | 0.665 | 0.6663 |

Best parameter: Alpha 256, R 256



Comparison test metrics

| | Majority class | Word embeddings | RNN | Transformer | Pre trained Transformer | LLM |
|----------|-------------------|--------------------|--------|-------------|----------------------------|--------|
| Accuracy | 0.6218 | 0.6165 | 0.6397 | 0.6287 | 0.6218 | 0.6663 |



Interpretation

- Lora Alpha seems a lot more important than R
- The impact it alpha had on the loss curve is noticeable, meanwhile R seems negligible
- Only 1 epoch is enough to fine tune for simple classification
- 1B model should be good enough, but SFT might be messing with the weights too much