# Overlapping with language modelling

Code to reproduce the results from "Alleviating Sequence Information Loss with Data Overlapping and PrimeBatch Sizes".

The taxonomy in the code may differe a bit from the paper, especially regarding the type of experiments. Here is the corresponding terms:

In the code	In the paper
No order	Extreme TOI
Local order	Inter-batch TOI
Standard order	Standard TOI
Total order (P)	Alleviated TOI (P)

Hold experiments on 4 models using the overlapping:

- simple, a very basic lstm for language modelling
- awd, AWD ASGD Weight-Dropped LSTM
- mos, MOS Mixture of Softmaxes
- emotion, a very basic LSTM for emotion detection on voice

To specify which model to run, use --main-model {simple-lstm | awd-lstm | mos-lstm | emotions-simple-lstm} argument. There are additional common paramaters, as well as specific parameters for each model. Those can be found in main\_run.py.

### Set-up

Download the data (PTB, WT2, WT103):

```
chmod +x get_data.sh
./get_data.sh
```

For emotions, add in data/IEMOCAP/ the all\_features\_cv files.

We use python 3.6 with Pytorch 0.4.1. To create a new python environement and install dependencies, run:

```
python3.6 -m virtualenv venv
source venv/bin/activate
pip3 install -r requirements.txt
```

#### About the files

main\_run.py is the main entry point that parses arguments, does the global initialization and runs the corresponding model and task.

awd/, emotions/, mos/ and simple/ are the different models directories. common/ holds the common initilization and utilities, such as the different data iterators, which are in the DataSelector class in common/excavator.py.

The main\_run.py file, after performing the common initilizations, imports the main.py file corresponding to the choosen model.

# Commands to reproduce the experiments

**Note**: Those results do not use prime batch size, but the default parameters. To have better results, adapt the --batch-size param to the closest prime number.

#### AWD PTB

#### **Extreme TOI:**

Expected results: 66.38 / 63.49 (validation / testing)

```
python3 main_run.py --main-model awd-lstm --batch-size 20 --data data/penn
--dropouti 0.4 --dropouth 0.25 --seed 141 --seed-shuffle 141 --epoch 1000
--shuffle-full-seq
```

#### Inter-batch TOI:

Expected results: 66.96 / 64.20 (validation / testing)

```
python3 main_run.py --main-model awd-lstm --batch-size 20 --data data/penn
--dropouti 0.4 --dropouth 0.25 --seed 141 --seed-shuffle 141 --epoch 1000
--shuffle-row-seq
```

#### Standard TOI:

Expected results: 61.28 / 58.94 (validation / testing)

```
python3 main_run.py --main-model awd-lstm --batch-size 20 --data data/penn
--dropouti 0.4 --dropouth 0.25 --seed 141 --epoch 1000
```

#### **Alleviated TOI {2,5,7,10}**:

Expected results (validation / testing):

2: 61.73 / 59.37

```
5: 63.37 / 60.507: 59.22 / 56.7
```

• 10: 68.09 / 65.88

```
overlaps=(2 5 7 10)
epochs=1000
for k in "${overlaps[@]}"
do
    :
    python3 main_run.py --main-model awd-lstm --batch-size 20 --data
data/penn --dropouti 0.4 --dropouth 0.25 --seed 141 --epoch
"$(($epochs/$k))" --init-seq "overlapCN_${k}"
    sleep 10
done
```

#### **AWD WT2**

#### **Extreme TOI**

Expected results: 77.14 / 73.52 (validation / testing)

```
python3 main_run.py --main-model awd-lstm --epochs 750 --data
/data/noemien.kocher/datasets/wikitext-2 --dropouth 0.2 --seed 1882 --
batch-size 80 --shuffle-full-seq
```

#### Inter-batch TOI

Expected results: 76.08 / 72.61 (validation / testing)

```
python main_run.py --main-model awd-lstm --epochs 750 --data
/data/noemien.kocher/datasets/wikitext-2 --dropouth 0.2 --seed 1882 --
batch-size 80 --shuffle-row-seq
```

#### Standard TOI

Expected results: 68.50 / 65.86 (validation / testing)

```
python3 main_run.py --main-model awd-lstm --epochs 750 --data
/data/noemien.kocher/datasets/wikitext-2 --dropouth 0.2 --seed 1882 --
batch-size 80
```

#### **Alleviated TOI {2,5,7,10}**

Expected results (validation / testing):

```
2: 68.56 / 65.51
5: 69.56 / 66.33
7: 67.48 / 64.87
10: 72.95 / 69.69
```

```
overlaps=(2 5 7 10)
epochs=750
for k in "${overlaps[@]}"
do
    :
    python3 main_run.py --main-model awd-lstm --data
/data/noemien.kocher/datasets/wikitext-2 --dropouth 0.2 --seed 1882 --
batch-size 80 --epochs "$(($epochs/$k))" --init-seq "overlapCN_${k}"
    sleep 10
done
```

#### AWD WT103

#### **Extreme TOI**

Expected results: 35.22 / 36.19 (validation / testing)

```
python3 -u main_run.py --main-model awd-lstm --epochs 14 --nlayers 4 --emsize 400 --nhid 2500 --alpha 0 --beta 0 --dropoute 0 --dropouth 0.1 --dropouti 0.1 --dropout 0.1 --wdrop 0 --wdecay 0 --bptt 140 --batch-size 60 --optimizer adam --lr 1e-3 --data /data/noemien.kocher/datasets/wikitext-103 --when 12 --model QRNN --shuffle-full-seq
```

#### Inter-batch TOI

Expected results: 35.41 / 36.39 (validation / testing)

```
python3 -u main_run.py --main-model awd-lstm --epochs 14 --nlayers 4 --emsize 400 --nhid 2500 --alpha 0 --beta 0 --dropoute 0 --dropouth 0.1 --dropouti 0.1 --dropout 0.1 --wdrop 0 --wdecay 0 --bptt 140 --batch-size 60 --optimizer adam --lr 1e-3 --data /data/noemien.kocher/datasets/wikitext-103 --when 12 --model QRNN --shuffle-row-seq
```

#### Standard TOI

Expected results: 32.18 / 32.94 (validation / testing)

```
python3 -u main_run.py --main-model awd-lstm --epochs 14 --nlayers 4 --emsize 400 --nhid 2500 --alpha 0 --beta 0 --dropoute 0 --dropouth 0.1 --dropouti 0.1 --dropout 0.1 --wdrop 0 --wdecay 0 --bptt 140 --batch-size 60
```

```
--optimizer adam --lr 1e-3 --data /data/noemien.kocher/datasets/wikitext-
103 --when 12 --model QRNN
```

#### **Alleviated TOI {2,5,7,10}**

Expected results (validation / testing):

- 2: 36.94/34.31
- 5: 38.50 / 40.04
- 7:31.78/32.72
- 10: 48, 28 / 49, 49

### Simple PTB

#### **Extreme TOI:**

Expected results: 81.97 / 79.08 (validation / testing)

```
python3 main_run.py --main-model simple-lstm --epochs 100 --batch-size 20
--dropout 0.15 --nlayers 2 --bptt 70 --nhid 1500 --lr-decay 1 --shuffle-
full-seq
```

#### Inter-batch TOI:

Expected results: 81.67 / 78.59 (validation / testing)

```
python3 main_run.py --main-model simple-lstm --epochs 100 --batch-size 20
--dropout 0.15 --nlayers 2 --bptt 70 --nhid 1500 --lr-decay 1 --shuffle-
row-seq
```

#### Standard TOI:

Expected results: 77.54 / 75.36 (validation / testing)

```
python3 main_run.py --main-model simple-lstm --epochs 100 --batch-size 20
--dropout 0.15 --nlayers 2 --bptt 70 --nhid 1500 --lr-decay 1
```

#### **Alleviated TOI {2,5,7,10}**:

Expected results (validation / testing):

```
2: 78.48 / 76.55
5: 91.95 / 89.64
7: 77.47 / 74.98
```

• 10: 92.92 / 92.07

```
overlaps=(2 5 7 10)
epochs=100
for k in "${overlaps[@]}"
do
    :
    python3 main_run.py --main-model simple-lstm --epochs
"$(($epochs/$k))" --batch-size 20 --dropout 0.15 --nlayers 2 --bptt 70 --
nhid 1500 --lr-decay 1 --init-seq "overlapCN_${k}"
    sleep 10
done
```

## Simple WT2

#### **Extreme TOI**

Expected results: 101.3 / 96.08 (validation / testing)

```
python3 main_run.py --main-model simple-lstm --epochs 100 --batch-size 80
--dropout 0.15 --nlayers 2 --bptt 70 --nhid 1150 --lr-decay 1 --data
/data/noemien.kocher/datasets/wikitext-2 --shuffle-full-seq
```

#### **Inter-batch TOI**

Expected results: 101.7 / 96.89 (validation / testing)

```
python3 main_run.py --main-model simple-lstm --epochs 100 --batch-size 80
--dropout 0.15 --nlayers 2 --bptt 70 --nhid 1150 --lr-decay 1 --data
/data/noemien.kocher/datasets/wikitext-2 --shuffle-row-seq
```

#### **Standard TOI**

Expected results: 98.85 / 93.15 (validation / testing)

```
python3 main_run.py --main-model simple-lstm --epochs 100 --batch-size 80
--dropout 0.15 --nlayers 2 --bptt 70 --nhid 1150 --lr-decay 1 --data
/data/noemien.kocher/datasets/wikitext-2
```

#### **Alleviated TOI {2,5,7,10}**

Expected results (validation / testing):

```
2: 100.4/94.49
5: 113.5/106.1
7: 98.25/92.77
10: 151.0/135.1
```

```
overlaps=(2 5 7 10)
epochs=100
for k in "${overlaps[@]}"
do
    :
        python3 main_run.py --main-model simple-lstm --epochs
"$(($epochs/$k))" --batch-size 80 --dropout 0.15 --nlayers 2 --bptt 70 --
nhid 1150 --lr-decay 1 --data /data/noemien.kocher/datasets/wikitext-2 --
init-seq "overlapCN_${k}"
        sleep 10
done
```

#### MOS PTB

#### Standard TOI:

Expected results: 58.49 / 56.19 (validation / testing)

```
python main.py --main-model mos-lstm --data data/penn --dropouti 0.4 --dropoutl 0.29 --dropouth 0.225 --seed 28 --batch_size 12 --lr 20.0 --epoch 1000 --nhid 960 --nhidlast 620 --emsize 280 --n_experts 15
```

#### **Alleviated TOI {2,5,7,10}**:

Expected results (validation / testing):

7: 57.34 / 55.09

```
python main.py — main—model mos—lstm — data data/penn — dropouti 0.4 — dropoutl 0.29 — dropouth 0.225 — seed 28 — batch_size 12 — lr 20.0 — epoch 1000 — nhid 960 — nhidlast 620 — emsize 280 — n_experts 15 — init—seq overlapCN_7
```

# Acknowledgements

Code is heavily borrowed from the following sources:

- simple-lstm (simple/): https://github.com/deeplearningathome/pytorch-language-model
- awd-lstm (awd/): https://github.com/salesforce/awd-lstm-lm
- mos-lstm: (mos/) https://github.com/zihangdai/mos