Paraphrase Identification by Multi-layer Perceptron

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Task-

given two sentences, build a multi-layer perceptron model to classify whether they express the same meaning or not. (note "multi-layer perceptron" is also called "fully-connected network" in some materials)

Data and format:

Please download the data from GitHub: https://github.com/yinwenpeng/MLFinalProject

- train with label.txt (7801 instances: pos/neg=0.32)
- dev with label.txt (4K instances; 1K positive, 3K negative)
- test_without_label.txt (4K instances; 1K positive, 3K negative)

Each row in the three files denotes one instance, i.e., the two sentences.

"train_with_label.txt" and "dev_with_label.txt" have four columns: instance_id, sentence_1, sentence_2, gold_label (0 or 1). Columns are separated by \tab.

"test_without_label.txt" has the same column order except that it has no the "gold_label" column

The required algorithms to use:

- Only multi-layer perceptron can be used (the final layer is often a logistic regression).
- Convolutional NN, recurrent NN, and Transformers are not allowed.
- No pretrained word representations should be used, such as word2vec, GloVe, etc.

The knowledge/skills this project looks for from you:

- 1) Implement a basic deep learning system
- 2) Know how to tune the deep learning system, such as learning rate, batch size, etc.

Timeline:

• Starting date: 11/03/2022

• Submission deadline: 12/06/2022, 11:59pm (EST)

What and how to submit:

You are expected to submit **three** things:

1) "YourFullName_test_result.txt": Use your best model on "dev_with_label.txt" to test on the "test without label.txt" file and generate a new file named

"YourFullName_test_result.txt" with two columns separated by \tab: instance_id, predicted_label (0 or 1)

- Each row in "YourFullName_test_result.txt" corresponds to one test instance.
- 2) "YourFullName_system_description.pdf": A pdf file that describes what you did
- 3) Code: Commit the code to your github and let me know the repository URL

Commit "YourFullName_test_result.txt" and "YourFullName_system_description.pdf" to the same github repository with the code and send the repository URL to wenpeng.yin@temple.edu by the deadline.

How will your submission be scored?

The system will be evaluated by **F1** on the test file (the test file with gold labels is not given to you). Your score will be

$$100 \times \frac{your\ F1}{max\ F1\ in\ the\ class}$$

Please note

- The accuracy of a random guess baseline in this task is 50%, so a system with an accuracy lower than 50% will be scored 0;
- You will only get the score if all three required submissions are available. A result file with no system description or code URL will be scored 0.

Some hints:

- Pytorch has default multi-layer perceptron functions; you can call them or reimplement your own multi-layer perceptron layers
- 2) You can decide how many layers you want and how wide each layer is.
- 3) You can make use of the features you defined in the midterm project