BBC News Summary and Text Summarization

This project aims to demonstrate a text summarization approach using a Sequence to Sequence (Seq2Seq) model on the BBC News Summary dataset.

Dependencies

The following Python packages are required to run this script:

- os: to handle directory and file operations.
- chardet: to detect the character encoding of the text files.
- numpy: for numerical operations on arrays.
- tensorflow: for building and training the neural network models.
- keras: part of TensorFlow, used here for model definition and training.

You can install these dependencies via pip:

pip install chardet numpy tensorflow

Project Structure

- read_files(directory): This function reads all files in the specified directory, detecting and using the correct encoding for each file. It returns a list of file contents.
- load_data(main_directory): This function loads and categorizes texts and their summaries from separate directories within the main directory. It uses predefined categories (e.g., business, entertainment).

Data Loading and Preprocessing

- 1. **Main Directory Setup**: Set the main_directory to the path where the BBC News Summary data is stored.
- 2. Data Reading: Use load_data function to read the news articles and summaries from the directory.

Text Tokenization and Padding

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- Tokenizer Setup: Initialize a Keras Tokenizer and fit it on both the texts and summaries to create a word index.
- Sequence Conversion: Convert text and summaries into sequences of integers using the tokenizer.
- Padding: Pad these sequences to ensure consistent length inputs for training the model.

Model Building: Seq2Seq Architecture

- Encoder-Decoder Architecture: Define an LSTM-based encoder-decoder model.
- 2. **Model Compilation**: Compile the model using the Adam optimizer and sparse categorical crossentropy as the loss function.

Training

- Prepare Input and Target Data: Configure input and target data for the decoder.
- Model Training: Train the model using the prepared data.

Inference Setup

- 1. Encoder Model: Define a model that captures the internal states of the encoder.
- 2. **Decoder Model**: Setup the decoder to predict the next word in the sequence given the previous word and the encoder states.

Summary Generation

- **decode_sequence function**: For a given input sequence, this function uses the trained model to generate a text summary.
- Interactive Summarization: Allows users to enter a text and get a summary generated by the model.

Example Usage

- After training, the script provides an example of summarizing a text.
- Users can also input their own texts to get summaries in real-time.

Installation of Dependencies

Make sure to install the necessary Python packages:

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pip install chardet

This project highlights the practical implementation of neural networks in processing natural language for tasks like summarization, showcasing both the challenges and solutions in handling sequence data.

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