

DD2424 Deep Learning in Data Science: Assignment 4 – base version

In this assignment, a Recurrent Neural Network (RNN) was implemented and used to synthetically generate text after having been trained on an English book. The toolset used for solving the assignment included default, built-in Python 3.7.5 as well as the two external Python libraries numpy (for linear algebra purposes) and matplotlib (for plotting needs). The data set used consisted of a txt-formatted version of the book Harry Potter and the Goblet of Fire. A random seed of 12345 was used throughout the assignment.

Gradients

For ensuring that the implemented `compute_gradients` function (which computes gradients analytically) yielded the correct values, a test was devised. The test compares the results of `compute_gradients` with the results of `compute_gradients_num`, which calculates the same gradients, however using a significantly slower but more precise numerical approach. The comparison uses the central difference method. In my test, I used a step size for the numerical computations of $h=1e-4$, $m=100$, h_0 equal to a zero vector of size m and `seq_length=25`. The following maximum relative errors were obtained when comparing the two gradient matrices:

- Maximum relative error b: 1.077e-07
- Maximum relative error c: 2.109e-09
- Maximum relative error U: 7.592e-09
- Maximum relative error W: 2.687e-06
- Maximum relative error V: 1.101e-06

Due to the satisfactory (small) magnitude of the maximum relative errors, it is reasonable to assume that the gradient computations are correct. Further evidence that the analytical gradient computations are bug-free is found in the fact that training the RNN and generating synthetic text snippets results in snippets containing context-specific words such as “Harry”, “Dumbledore”, “Voldemort”, “Mr. Crouch” and “Hermione”.

Smooth loss function

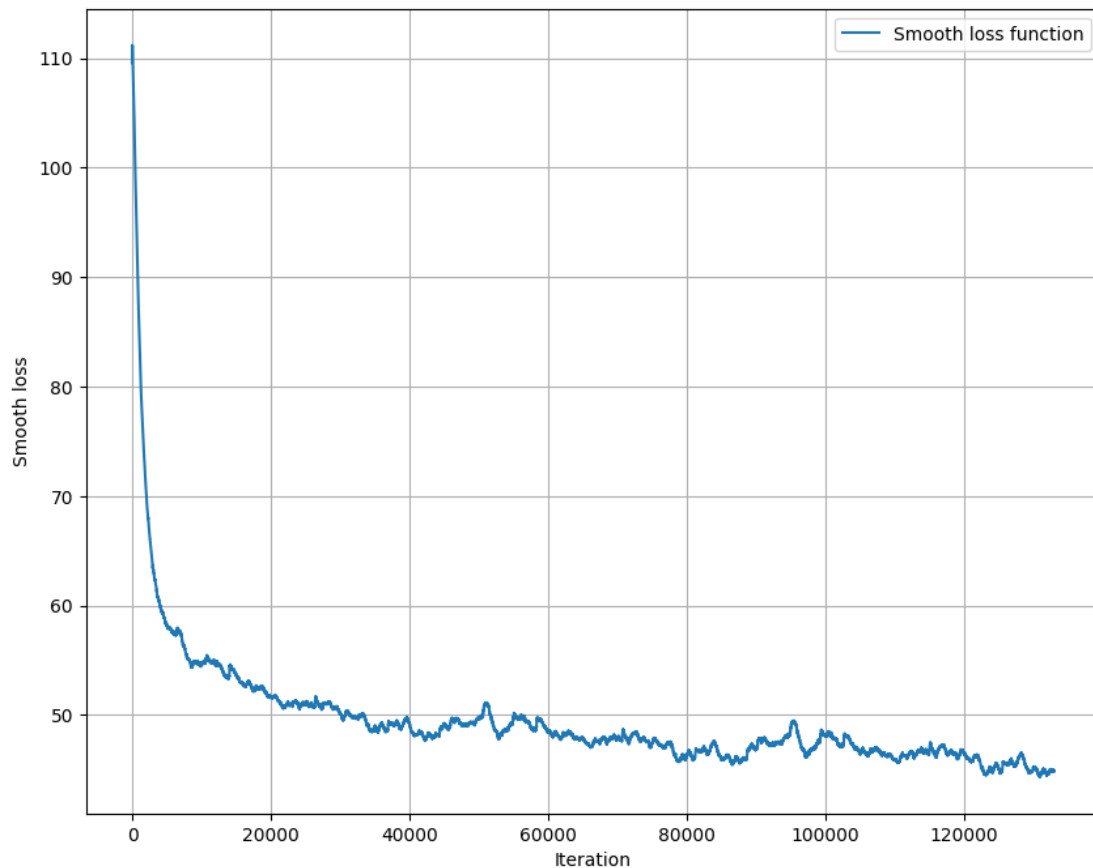


Figure 1: smooth loss function using $m = 100$, $\eta = 0.1$, $\text{seq_length} = 25$, $\sigma = 0.01$ and $n_epochs = 3$.

Synthesized text

1. Synthesized text after 0 iterations:

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2. Synthesized text after 9999 iterations:

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3. Synthesized text after 19999 iterations:

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4. Synthesized text after 29999 iterations:

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5. Synthesized text after 39999 iterations:

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6. Synthesized text after 49999 iterations:

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7. Synthesized text after 59999 iterations:

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8. Synthesized text after 69999 iterations:

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9. Synthesized text after 79999 iterations:

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10. Synthesized text after 89999 iterations:

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11. Synthesized text after 99999 iterations:

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Text synthesized from best model

The following synthetic passage of length 1000 characters was generated by a model trained for 1,142,000 iterations, which resulted in a smooth loss of 39.98002782942824:

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In this text snippet, we find "Harry", "Rita", "Hagrid", "Hermione" and "Dumbledore". We also almost get "Moody" and "Crouch" (we got "Mook" and "Crouck" instead). In other text snippets (before achieving a loss this low), we managed to get a "Mr. Crouch" as well as a range of other names from the Harry Potter series. Nonetheless, the actual language generated by the RNN remains unintelligible.