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Machine learning text classification

Colab link:
https://colab.research.google.com/drive/1O6u1s2JaaVOZ5MiFot_v6Zn7F2ujv_5n

1) Data preprocessing:

Because the data was encrypted, I decided not to change characters format. For example “A@” will be treated as different from “a@”
No non-literary character is eliminated.

2) Features extraction:

To get numeric values from the text I used tf-idf, the default version from sklearn: TfidfVectorizer.

The n-grams gave a better accuracy than the simple words, the most efficient variant was the 6-character n-grams. I used the ‘char_wb’ parameter to only get the n-grams inside words.

To normalize the data I used l2.

N-grams

	precision	recall	f1-score	support
0	0.69	0.75	0.72	1301
1	0.74	0.68	0.71	1355
accuracy			0.71	2656
macro avg	0.72	0.72	0.71	2656
weighted avg	0.72	0.71	0.71	2656

Full words

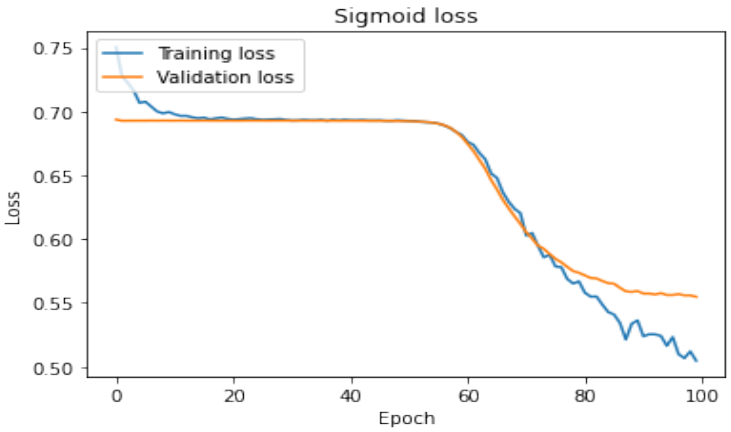
	precision	recall	f1-score	support
0	0.64	0.71	0.67	1301
1	0.69	0.61	0.65	1355
accuracy			0.66	2656
macro avg	0.66	0.66	0.66	2656
weighted avg	0.67	0.66	0.66	2656

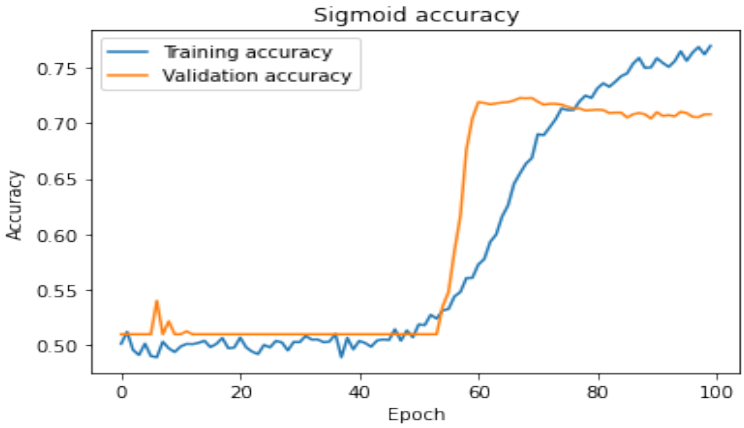
3) Neural network model:

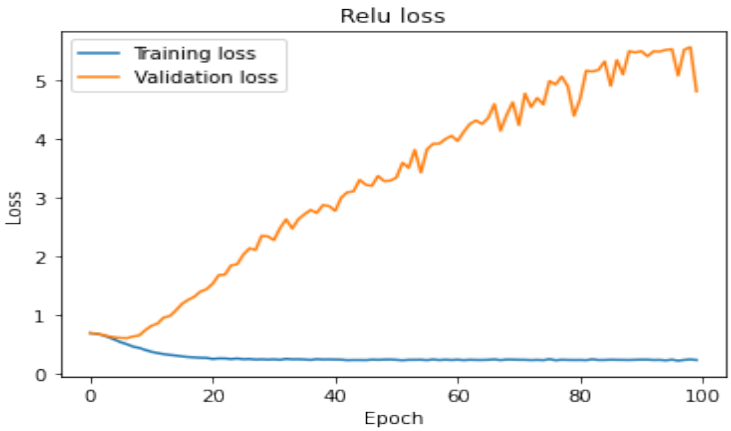
I used keras to easily implement a mini network with two hidden layers. With a small number of perceptrons per layer I had good results,

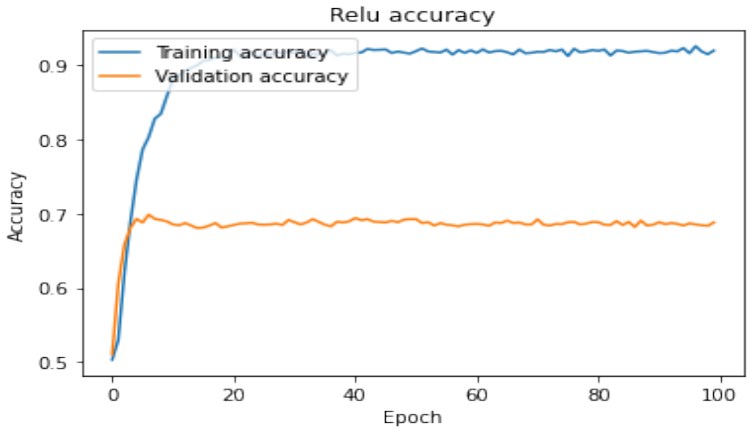
otherwise the model would be overfitting very quickly. The optimal number of epochs I have found is 100.

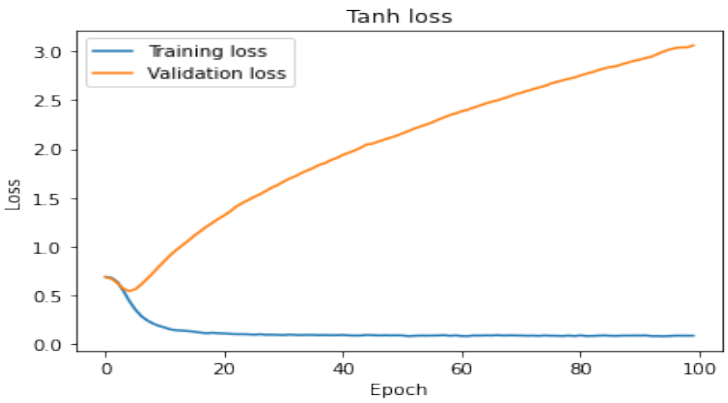
For the last layer I used the sigmoid activation function, for the rest I tried several variants.

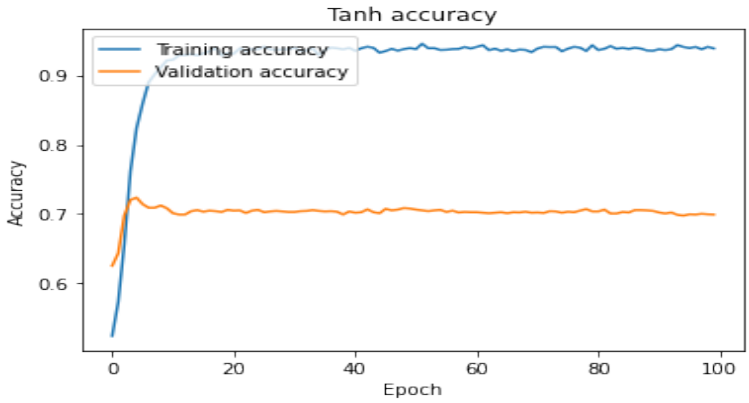












As can be seen from the graphs, the best model was the one with sigmoid.

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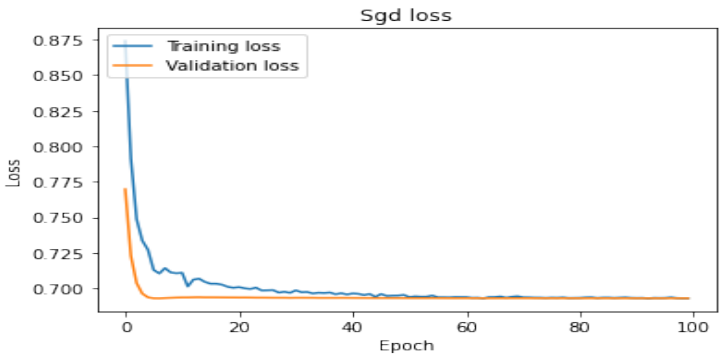
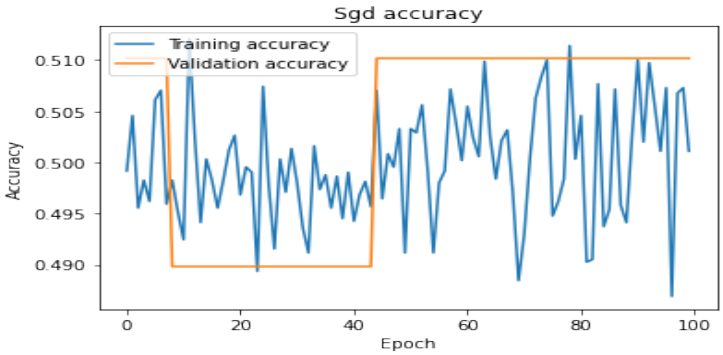
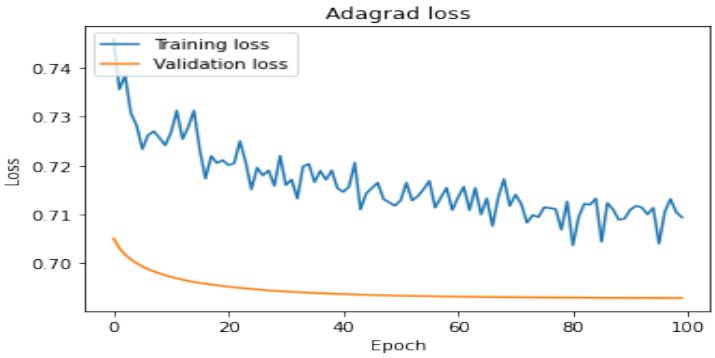
I've also used a dropout layer (with a value of 0.5) to prevent overfitting.

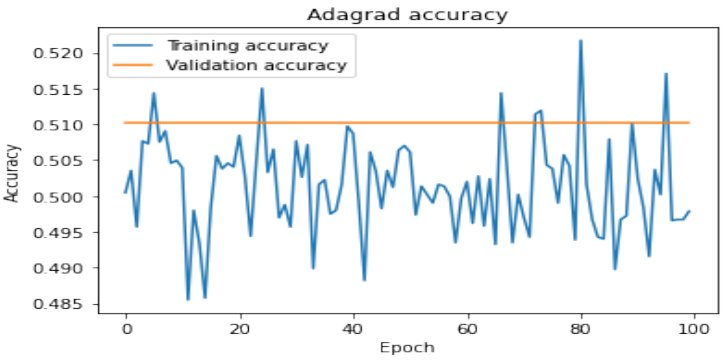
As for the loss function most of those offered by keras had similar performance, but the best was binary_crossentropy.

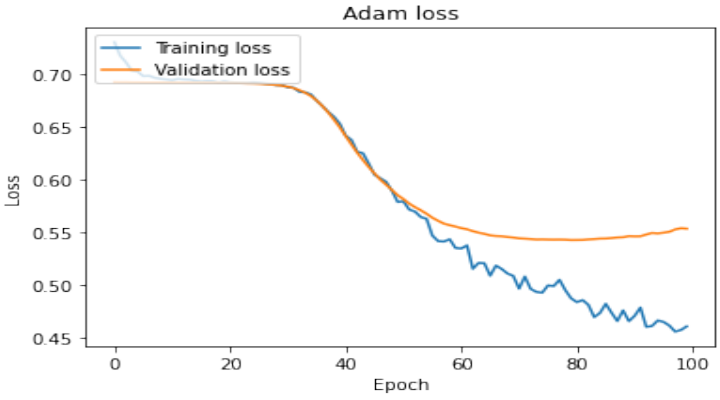
The situation is different for gradient descent functions. Sgd and adagrad both are having a poor performance both on training and on validation sets, on the other hand adam gives good results.

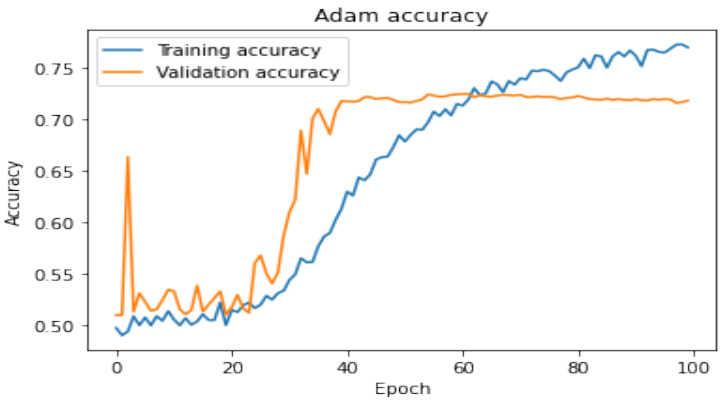












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Model Summary

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Model: "sequential"
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Layer (type)                 Output Shape              Param #
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dense (Dense)                (None, 4)                 251396
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activation (Activation)      (None, 4)                 0
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dropout (Dropout)            (None, 4)                 0
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dense_1 (Dense)              (None, 8)                 40
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activation_1 (Activation)    (None, 8)                 0
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dropout_1 (Dropout)          (None, 8)                 0
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dense_2 (Dense)              (None, 4)                 36
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activation_2 (Activation)    (None, 4)                 0
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dropout_2 (Dropout)          (None, 4)                 0
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dense_3 (Dense)              (None, 1)                 5
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activation_3 (Activation)    (None, 1)                 0
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Total params: 251,477
Trainable params: 251,477
Non-trainable params: 0
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Classification Report

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Confusion Matrix

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[[ 800  501]
 [ 247 1108]]
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