

# CS224n Winter 2019 Homework 4

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By turning in this assignment, I agree by the Stanford honor code and declare that all of this is my own work.

## Problem 1

- (a) The embedding must capture the essence of the item being embedded, and this is reflected by the dimensionality of the embedding – in other words, the higher the information content (number of unique items), the larger the embedding dimension should be. Considering that a typical vocabulary size of words,  $|\mathcal{V}|$ , can be in the thousands or hundreds of thousands (with the number of possible words far higher), while the size of the character set for most languages,  $|\mathcal{C}|$ , is typically a few orders of magnitude smaller (in the hundreds), it is reasonable that a character embedding of 50 suffices.
- (b) The number of parameters for the word-based lookup embedding model is trivial to compute (where we treat the embedding itself as trainable). We have the number of parameters as:

$$V_{\text{word}} \times e_{\text{word}} = 12.8M$$

The number of parameters for the character-based embedding model is a little more involved to compute, but can nonetheless still be done. We have:

$$\begin{aligned} V_{\text{char}} \times e_{\text{char}} &= 4,800 && \text{(Character Embedding Parameters)} \\ e_{\text{word}} \times e_{\text{char}} \times k + e_{\text{word}} &= 64,256 && \text{(Convolution Parameters)} \\ 2 \times [e_{\text{word}} \times e_{\text{word}} + e_{\text{word}}] &= 131,584 && \text{(Highway Network Parameters)} \end{aligned}$$

This gives a final expression for the number of parameters as:

$$V_{\text{char}} \times e_{\text{char}} + e_{\text{word}} \times e_{\text{char}} \times k + e_{\text{word}} + 2 \times [e_{\text{word}} \times e_{\text{word}} + e_{\text{word}}] = 200,640$$

From the above calculations, it is clear that the word-embedding model has more parameters, by a factor of 64 (almost two orders of magnitude).

## Problem 2

- (a) In “char\_decoder.py”.
- (b) In “char\_decoder.py”.

- (c) In “char\_decoder.py”.
- (d) In “char\_decoder.py”
- (e) Results in “outputs/tesr\_outputr\_locar\_q2.txt”
- (f) Training took 40611.18 sec (11.28 hours) with a final test BLEU score of 24.56565986092025.  
Sampled results can be found in “outputs/tesr\_outputs.txt”.