CS229, Spring 2023, Assignment #1

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1 Method for encoding strings

Baseline encoding x1 + x2 =is passed to the model.

New method encoding A prefix is added as a context hint: You are a calculator. Please calculate: 1 + 2 = 3, 3 + 4 = 7, 11 + 32 = 43, x1 + x2 =

1.1 Method with example

```
def encode problems(X, prompt prefix=None, strategy='baseline', operation=t.add):
    ""(1 \overline{\text{pts}}) Encode the problems as strings. For example, if X is [[0,0,1,1],[0,1,0,1]],
   then the baseline output should be ["0+0=", "0+1=", "1+0=", "1+1="]"'
   if operation==t.add:
       operator = "+'
    elif operation==t.mul:
       operator = "*"
   output strings = []
   if strategy == 'baseline':
       # TODO: encode string =
       for idx in range(len(X[0])) ]
       # TODO: encode string =
       output strings = [ prompt prefix + str(X[0][idx].item()) + operator + str(X[1][idx].item()) + "=" \
                            for idx in range(len(X[0])) ]
   return output strings
print(encode_problems(t.tensor([[0,0,1,1],[0,1,0,1]]), prompt_prefix="Please calculate: ", strategy='new'))
['Please calculate: 0+0=', 'Please calculate: 0+1=', 'Please calculate: 1+0=', 'Please calculate: 1+1=']
```

1.2 An example of how tokenization works on prompts

2 Method for generating text

2.1 Model used in the experiment

GPT-Neo 2.7B is a GPT-3 like pre-trained transformer model which used in this experiment to calculate the sum of given two numbers. It is the replication of the GPT-3 architecture provided by EleutherAI, where 2.7B is the number of parameters used in this model. The main functionality of this model is to generate next token given a string of text.

2.2 Hyper-parameter tuning

2.2.1 Temperature

If do_sample is set to False, changing temperature does not change output. It outputs the most probable token always.

```
prompt="You are a calculator. Please calculate: 1+2=3, 3+4=7, 11+32=43, 1000+10="
tokenized_prompt = tokenizer.encode(prompt, return_tensors="pt")
tokenized generated text = model.generate(tokenized prompt, do sample=False, temperature=0.0001,
                                          pad token id=pad token id)
print(tokenizer.decode(tokenized generated text[0]))
Input length of input ids is 30, but `max length` is set to 20. This can lead to unexpected behavior. You should c
onsider increasing 'max new tokens'.
You are a calculator. Please calculate: 1+2=3, 3+4=7, 11+32=43, 1000+10=101
prompt="You are a calculator. Please calculate: 1+2=3, 3+4=7, 11+32=43, 1000+10="
tokenized prompt = tokenizer.encode(prompt, return tensors="pt")
tokenized_generated_text = model.generate(tokenized_prompt, do_sample=False, temperature=1000.0,
                                         pad token id=pad token id)
print(tokenizer.decode(tokenized_generated_text[0]))
Input length of input ids is 30, but `max length` is set to 20. This can lead to unexpected behavior. You should c
onsider increasing `max_new_tokens`.
You are a calculator. Please calculate: 1+2=3, 3+4=7, 11+32=43, 1000+10=101
```

Figure 1: Changing temperature does not change output, when do_sample is set to False

2.2.2 do_sample

When do_sample is set to True, changing temperature provides randomness in the generated outputs. A smaller temperature value outputs more deterministic text, whereas a larger one provides more diverse output.

Figure 2: do_sample=True provides more diverse results with update in temperature

2.2.3 max_length

When max_length is set to some reasonable larger values, we find that the model accurately predicts tokens.

```
prompt="You are a calculator. Please calculate: 1+2=3, 3+4=7, 11+32=43, 1100+10="
tokenized prompt = tokenizer.encode(prompt, return tensors="pt")
tokenized generated text = model.generate(tokenized prompt, do sample=False, temperature=0.0001,
                                          pad token id=pad token id)
print(tokenizer.decode(tokenized generated text[0]))
Input length of input ids is 30, but `max length` is set to 20. This can lead to unexpected behavior. You should c
onsider increasing `max new tokens`.
You are a calculator. Please calculate: 1+2=3, 3+4=7, 11+32=43, 1100+10=11
prompt="You are a calculator. Please calculate: 1+2=3, 3+4=7, 11+32=43, 1100+10="
tokenized prompt = tokenizer.encode(prompt, return tensors="pt")
max length = len(tokenized prompt) + 50
tokenized generated text = model.generate(tokenized prompt, do sample=False, temperature=0.0001,
                                          max length=max length, pad token id=pad token id)
print(tokenizer.decode(tokenized_generated_text[0]))
You are a calculator. Please calculate: 1+2=3, 3+4=7, 11+32=43, 1100+10=1110.
You are a calculator. Please calculate: 1+2=3, 3+
```

Figure 3: Using max_length attribute may provide accurate results

2.2.4 Choice of hyper-parameters

do_sample = False, temperature=0.0001, max_length=length of tokenized prompt + 50

3 Method for decoding strings

3.1 Method with example

```
import re
def decode_output(output_strings, strategy='baseline', verbose=True):
    """(1 pt) Decode the output strings into a list of integers. Use "t.nan" for failed responses.
    One suggestion is to split on non-numeric characters, then convert to int. And use try/except to catch errors.
    non math symbol regex = re.compile(r"[^0-9+\-*/=]")
    y_hat = []
     for s in output strings:
         # TODO: y = f(s)
             split_idx = len(s)
             match = non_math_symbol_regex.search(s)
             if match:
                  split idx = match.start()
             y = int(s[:split_idx].strip())
         except:
              y = t.nan
         y hat.append(y)
    return y hat
decode output(['12\nabcd', '=12'])
[12, nan]
```

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3.2 An example how the tokenized output looks

```
prompt="You are a calculator. Please calculate: 1+2=3, 3+4=7, 11+32=43, 1100+10="
tokenized prompt = tokenizer.encode(prompt, return tensors="pt")
max_length = len(tokenized_prompt) + 50
tokenized generated text = model.generate(tokenized prompt, do sample=False, temperature=0.0001,
                                            max length=max length, pad token id=pad token id)
tokenized generated text[0]
tensor([ 1639,
                              28260,
                                         13,
                                              4222, 15284,
                                                                      352,
                                                                              10,
                  28,
                                                10,
           17,
                          18,
                                  11,
                                        513,
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         1367,
                   10,
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           10])
```

Figure 4: Tokenized output

4 Results

4.1 How accurate was the baseline and your comparison method?

Method	Accuracy (GPT-Neo-2.7B)(%)	Time (seconds)
Baseline	1.4	2727.1
New	15.9	1225.6

Table 1: Comparison of Baseline and New method performance for addition problem (start=0, end=50)

4.2 Plot a scatter plot for each method of problems with Contour

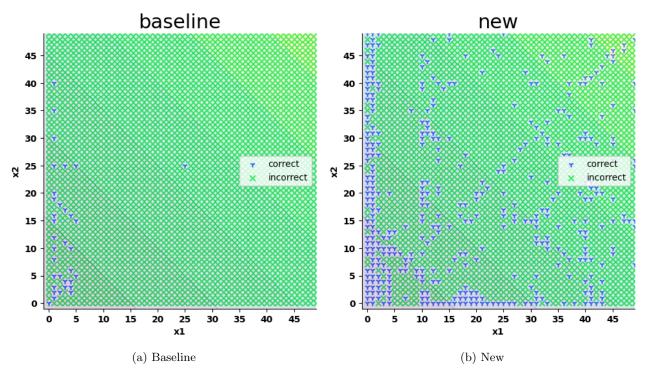


Figure 5: Figure plots the correct/incorrect output for all possible pairs of numbers from start=0, end=50, method=addition

4.3 Train classifier and compare results

SVM (linear) classifier is trained on the dataset. Then, the same dataset is fed into the model to predict the results.

Method	Accuracy (GPT-Neo-2.7B)(%)	Accuracy (SVM classifier)(%)
Baseline	1.4	99.8
New	15.9	99.8

4.4 Comment on the classifier and overall comparison results

The Support Vector Machine(SVM) classifer with linear kernel is chosen to see whether GPT-Neo-2.7B is randomly predicting wrong results. The reason behind using SVM is: since the goal is to determine whether sum of a pair of number can be calculated properly, a decision boundary is expected to be drawn. As the whole dataset is fed into the classifier and the dataset is small, the classifier seems to overfit the whole dataset offering 99.8% accuracy. So, it does not seem to learn any pattern from the data, rather learns everything. Rather, GPT-Neo-2.7B seems not to generate random results, since for the new method, between 0-5, it can predicts correct results. Even, when, both of the operands are same, a significant number of cases are found to be correct in case of new method.

Given context like Please calculate/please find the sum of with a few examples in the prompt have significantly increased the accuracy. On the other hand, for baseline, it seems that it is generating either randomly or has some memorized data source which results in 1.4% accuracy.

5 AI collaboration statement

• ChatGPT Prompt 1 To run the experiment, A Google Cloud Platform VM instance is used. ChatGPT is asked to suggest possible machine configuration needed to run GPT-Neo-2.7B model. Based on the configuration, the VM instance is created.

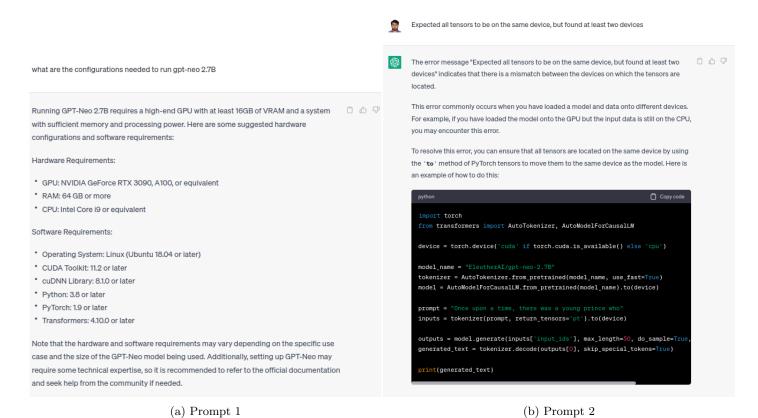


Figure 6: ChatGPT Collaboration

- ChatGPT Prompt 2 During the experiment, there was an error: Expected all tensors to be on the same device, but found at least two devices. ChatGPT helped to fix the issue.
- BARD To generate a sample code for training binary classifier, BARD is asked to generate a sample code snippet.

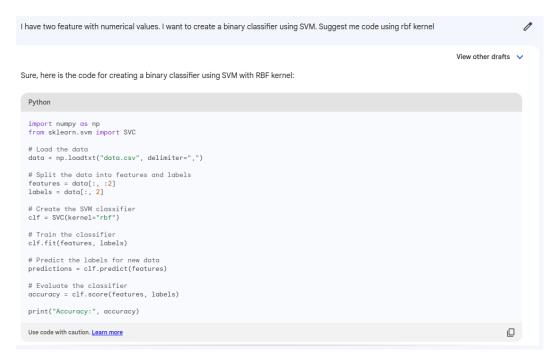


Figure 7: BARD Collaboration

6 Extra Credit

6.1 Comparison between addition and multiplication

Baseline encoding x1 * x2 =is passed to the model.

New method encoding A prefix is added as a context hint: You are a calculator. Please calculate: 1*2 = 2, 3*4 = 12, 11*12 = 132,

6.1.1 How accurate was the baseline and your comparison method for multiplication?

Method	Addition Accuracy(%)	Multiplication Accuracy(%)
Baseline	1.4	2.4
New	15.9	13.4

Table 2: Performance for calculating addition and multiplication numbers from start=0, end=50 using GPT-Neo-2.7B

6.1.2 Plot a scatter plot for each method of problems for multiplication

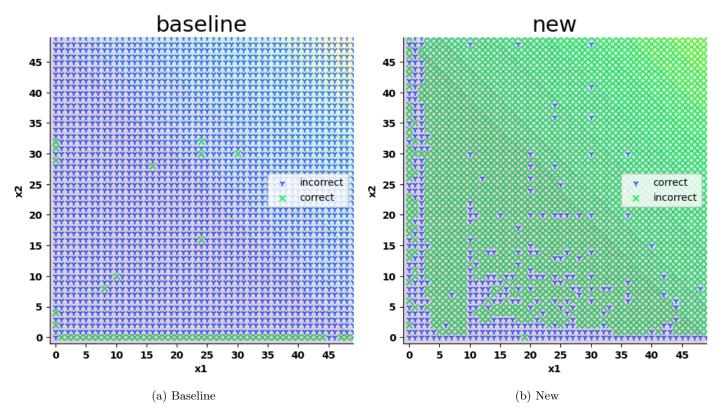


Figure 8: Comparison of Baseline and New method performance for multiplication problem (start=0, end=50)

6.1.3 Comments

We find that GPT-Neo-2.7B offers approximately similar performance for performing addition and multiplication. We find that given context hint results in significant increase in accuracy. In case of multiplication, baseline can provide correct result when multiplied by zero. On the other hand, given context approach shows comparatively better results when multiplied by 2/3.

6.2 Comparison with LLaMA (7B)

LLaMA, a foundational large language model released by Facebook is used to understand the comparative performance with GPT-Neo-2.7B, based on accuracy to perform simple arithmetic problem: addition. In this experiment, the model trained with 7B parameters has been chosen.

Method	Addition Accuracy (GPT-Neo-2.7B)(%)	Addition Accuracy (LLaMA-7B)(%)
Baseline	1.4	86.1
New	15.9	81.4

 $\begin{tabular}{ll} Table 3: Performance for calculating addition among numbers 0-50 using GPT-Neo-2.7B and LLaMA-7B and LLaMA-7B are calculating addition. The second content is a second content of the content of$

6.2.1 Comments

LLaMA-7B is found to be significantly performant for adding numbers within the range 0-50. Even, without given context (New method), it provides 86.1% accuracy.

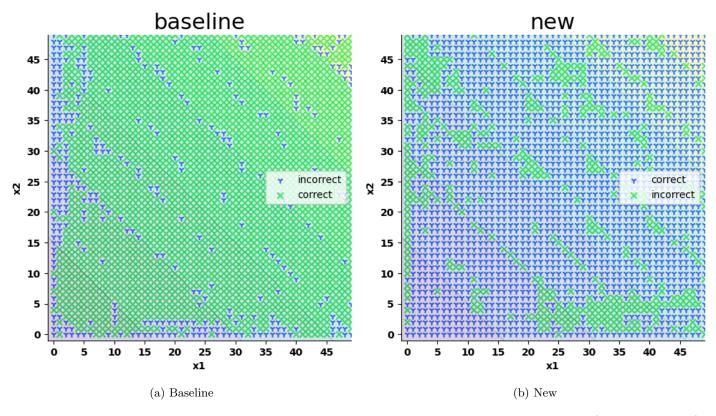


Figure 9: Comparison of Baseline and New method performance for addition problem using LLaMA(start=0, end=50)