Phase 3: LLaMA2 Model Training

Implementations

1. Initial Setup

For intinial testing, the decoder layer is set to be only one.

```
model_args.n_layers = 1 # for debugging purposes we only use 1 layer
```

In the model.py file, remove all the start_pos variables in forward functions and replace them with 0. This is because we removed the KV-caching and start pos is no longer needed.

Besides, I changed the max sequence length so that it can fit for the Alpaca data:

```
max_seq_len: int = 512  # modify to a larger max_seq_len
```

2. End-to-End Instruction Tuning Flow

Code was provided with the assignment. The classes included <code>supervisedDataset(Dataset)</code> and <code>DataCollatorForSupervisedDataset</code>. The main part our modification focused on is the <code>train()</code> function.

I also add helper functions start_timer() and end_timer_and_print() to record the runtime and memory usage.

```
def start_timer():
    global start_time
    gc.collect()
    torch.cuda.empty_cache()
    torch.cuda.reset_max_memory_allocated()
    torch.cuda.synchronize()
    start_time = time.time()

def end_timer_and_print(local_msg=""):
    torch.cuda.synchronize()
    end_time = time.time()
    print("\n" + local_msg)
    print("\n" + local_msg)
    print("Total runtime = {:.3f} sec".format(end_time - start_time))
    print("Peak memory usage = {} MBytes".format(torch.cuda.max_memory_allocated()/1000))
```

3. Training Iteration Loop

Code was provided. The crucial change to replace HuggingFace's object with Alpaca's repo is inside the train() function. After assigning the paths of our model and data, we extracted the labels and logits within the bath according to the format of Alpaca data.

4. Gradient Accumulation and Mixed Precision Training

For mixed precision, I followed the instructions of AMP Example. Gradscaler was utilized to prevent gradient vanishing. Autocast set the demanding dtype to be torch.float16 for the cuda during training.

Changes are made in the finetuning.py file:

```
scaler = GradScaler() # scale the gradient
   for epoch in range(5):
        for i, batch in enumerate(dataloader):
            input ids = batch['input ids'].to("cuda")
            labels = batch['labels'].to("cuda")
            # auto mixed precision
            with autocast(dtype=torch.float16):
                logits = model(input_ids)
                shift_logits = logits[..., :-1, :].contiguous()
                shift_labels = labels[..., 1:].contiguous()
                shift_logits = shift_logits.view(-1, 32000)
                shift_labels = shift_labels.view(-1)
                loss = criterion(shift_logits, shift_labels)
            # exit autocast before backward()
            scaler.scale(loss).backward()
            scaler.step(optimizer)
            scaler.update()
            optimizer.zero grad()
```

Then, I added the Gradient Accumulation, and assigned accumulation_steps to be 8. The gradient is only accumulated and backwarded when reaching this amount of steps:

```
accumulation_steps = 8
scaler = GradScaler()

for epoch in range(5):
    for i, batch in enumerate(dataloader):
        input_ids = batch['input_ids'].to("cuda")
        labels = batch['labels'].to("cuda")
```

```
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    shift labels = labels[..., 1:].contiguous()
    shift logits = shift logits.view(-1, 32000)
    shift_labels = shift_labels.view(-1)
    # loss should be devided by accumulation steps
    loss = criterion(shift_logits, shift_labels) / accumulation_steps
# exit autocast before backward()
scaler.scale(loss).backward()
# accumulate gradient
if (i + 1) % accumulation_steps == 0:
    scaler.step(optimizer)
    scaler.update()
    optimizer.zero grad()
```

5. LoRA Linear Layer Module

The file lora.py was created based on the official instructions. I copied the classes LoraLayer() and Linear(nn.Linear, LoraLayer) from the official code, so that I can convert the model using RoLA Linear modules.

```
import torch
import torch.nn as nn
import torch.nn.functional as F
import math

class LoRALayer():
    def __init__():
        ...

class Linear(nn.Linear, LoRALayer):
    def __init__():
        ...
    def reset_parameters(self):
        ...
    def train(self, mode: bool = True):
        ...
    def forward(self, x: torch.Tensor):
        ...
```

Then in the model.py file, I modified the way Q and V are projected in the Attention class:

Also in the finetuning.py, de-comment the part related to RoLA weights:

```
# Freeze model parameters other than lora weights
for name, params in model.named_parameters():
    if "lora_" in name:
        params.requires_grad = True
    else:
        params.requires_grad = False
```

6. Gradient Checkpointing

Checkpoints were inserted in the model.py file. After importing the checkpoint in Pytorch, I changed the forward function in TransformerBlock. I chose to apply the gradient checkpoint for every training layer. Custom attention and feed_forward functions were created in order to separate them from the checkpoint processing:

```
def forward(
    self,
    x: torch.Tensor,
    freqs_cis: torch.Tensor,
    mask: Optional[torch.Tensor],
```

```
def custom_attention(x, freqs_cis, mask):
    return x + self.attention(self.attention_norm(x), freqs_cis, mask)

def custom_feed_forward(h):
    return h + self.feed_forward(self.ffn_norm(h))

if self.training:
    h = checkpoint(custom_attention, x, freqs_cis, mask, use_reentrant=False)
    out = checkpoint(custom_feed_forward, h, use_reentrant=False)

else:
    h = custom_attention(x, freqs_cis, mask)
    out = custom_feed_forward(h)

return out
```

7. Model Fine-Tuning

The GPU type was switched to A100; the dataset path was changed to the Alpaca 200 samples:

```
data_path = "/project/saifhash_1190/llama2-7b/alpaca_data_200.json"
```

8. Hyperparameters

Set the variables according to the instruction:

For LoRA configuration:

```
# set r = 16, alpha = 32, and dropout rate = 0.05
class Linear(nn.Linear, LoRALayer):
    def __init__(
        self,
        in_features: int,
        out_features: int,
        r: int = 16,
        lora_alpha: int = 32,
        lora_dropout: float = 0.05,
        merge_weights: bool = True,
        **kwargs
    ):
    ...
```

Table 1

		Grad. Accumulation	Grad. Checkpoint	Mixed Precision	LoRA
Memory	parameter	-	-	\downarrow	↓
	activation	-	\downarrow	\downarrow	↓
	gradient	-	-	\downarrow	-
	optimizer state	↓	-	-	-
Computation		↓	↑	↓	→

Table 2

While training with 32 layers, techniques without LoRA Linear Layer will all result in an "out of memory error". The table is shown below:

(num of Layers: 32)

GA	OFF			ON				
MP	О	FF	ON		OFF		ON	
LoRA	OFF	ON	OFF	ON	OFF	ON	OFF	ON
Peak Mem	-	3.13×10 ⁷	-	4.34×10 ⁷	-	3.13×10 ⁷	1	4.34×10 ⁷
Runtime	-	256.750	-	90.911	-	253.861	ı	90.630

Analysis:

- 1. With LoRA Linear Layer, the trainable parameter reduced to only 0.12%, resulting in significant improvement in efficiency. This is mainly because the changes of weights are mostly low-rank matrices, and LoRA approximates these matrices only according to the rank of the changes. Therefore, the total number of parameters will be largely reduced.
- 2. The Mixed Precision technique results in a higher peak memory consumption, but saves largely in the runtime. The increased memory consumption may be caused by extra operations for HalfTensor type. Nevertheless, the calculation of float16 data will be much faster in computation.
- 3. Gradient Accumulation doesn't contribute much to the improvement of the training. This is due to the extremely low percentage of trainable parameters. This technique's influence can't be reflected in such senario.

To see what is the scenario when LoRA is off, I changed the layer to 8 while turning off the LoRA Linear Layer. The table is shown below:

(num of Layers: 8)

GA	OFF		ON		
MP	OFF	ON	OFF	ON	
LoRA	OFF				
Peak Mem	3.77×10 ⁷	2.02×10 ⁷	3.77×10^7	2.02×10 ⁷	
Runtime	214.698	68.415	125.985	56.547	

- 1. Without the LoRA Linear Layer, the effect of Mixed Precision is similar to before a higher peak memory consumption, but much lower runtime
- 2. We can also observe that the Gradient Accumulation, in this case, could make the runtime slower, especially in the situation where the runtime is high. Without the help of LoRA Linear Layer, 100% of the parameters are trainable, and the Gradient Accumulation technique can save the runtime during the backpropagation in a more significant way.

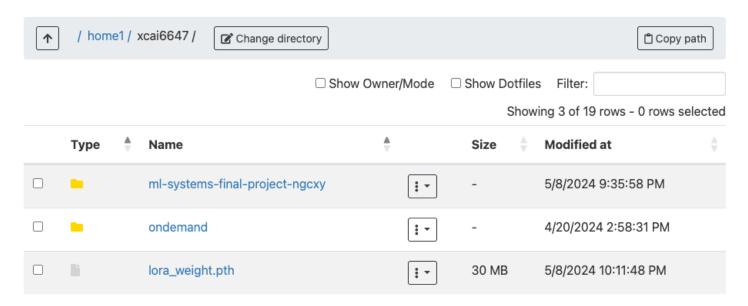
Inference Evaluation

Some modifications were made to store the LoRA weights and load the weights before inference.

In finetuning.py:

```
def train():
    ...
    # store the LoRA weights
    model_weights = model.state_dict()
    lora_weights = {k: v for k, v in model_weights.items() if "lora_" in k}
    torch.save(lora_weights, "/home1/xcai6647/lora_weight.pth")
```

Now the weights are store under the repository:



We then add the code in inference.py to retrieve the weight along with the pre-trained weights:

```
def inference():
    ...
    tokenizer_path = "/project/saifhash_1190/llama2-7b/tokenizer.model"
    model_path = "/project/saifhash_1190/llama2-7b/consolidated.00.pth"
    lora_path = "/home1/xcai6647/lora_weight.pth"  # path for lora weights

    tokenizer = Tokenizer(tokenizer_path)

checkpoint = torch.load(model_path, map_location="cpu")
    lora = torch.load(lora_path, map_location="cpu")  # load lora weights

model_args = ModelArgs()
    torch.set_default_tensor_type(torch.cuda.HalfTensor) # load model in fp16
    model = Llama(model_args)
    model.load_state_dict(checkpoint, strict=False)
    model.load_state_dict(lora, strict=False)  # load into the model
    model.to("cuda")
```

Inference Results

1. Origin Prompt

Prompt list:

```
prompts = [
    # For these prompts, the expected answer is the natural continuation of the prompt
    "I believe the meaning of life is",
    "Simply put, the theory of relativity states that ",
    """A brief message congratulating the team on the launch:

Hi everyone,

I just """,
    # Few shot prompt (providing a few examples before asking model to complete more);
    """Translate English to French:

sea otter => loutre de mer
    peppermint => menthe poivrée
    plush girafe => girafe peluche
    cheese =>""",
]
```

Outputs:

```
I believe the meaning of life is
> to find your own meaning in life.
I believe that you are here on this earth to fulfill your own destiny.
I believe that we are all here to learn. I believe that we are all here to grow.
  believe that we are all here to share.
I believe that we
Simply put, the theory of relativity states that > 1) the speed of light is the same for all observers and 2) the laws of physics are the same for all observers. Einstein's theory of special relativity, which was first published in 1905, states that the laws of physics are the same for all obser
A brief message congratulating the team on the launch:
           Hi everyone,
           I just
           <a href="https://github.com/hackathon/hackathon-2019/blob/master/docs/project/README.md" target="_blank">read
</a>
           the project README, and I think it looks really good!
Translate English to French:
           sea otter => loutre de mer
           peppermint => menthe poivrée
           plush girafe => girafe peluche
           cheese =>
> fromage
           egg => oeuf
beef => viande bovine
           apples => pommes
           beef => viande bovine
           pizza => pizza
           hamburger => hamburger
           coffee => café
           chicken
```

2. Custom prompts from Alpaca

Prompt list:

Outputs:

```
Below is an instruction that describes a task, paired with an input that provides further context.
        Write a response that appropriately completes the request.
        ### Instruction:Convert the following sentence into the present continuous tense
        ### Input:He reads books
        ### Response:
> He is reading books
        He <span class="tag">reads</span> books.
        >
        He <span class="tag">is</span> reading books.
        Below is an instruction that describes a task, paired with an input that provides further context.
        Write a response that appropriately completes the request.
        ### Instruction:Give an example of a metaphor that uses the following object
        ### Input:Stars
        ### Response:
>
        #### "The stars were like diamonds in the sky"
        #### "The stars were like jewels in the sky"
#### "The stars were like gems in the sky"
#### "The stars were like rubies in the sky"
        #### "The stars were
Below is an instruction that describes a task, paired with an input that provides further context.
        Write a response that appropriately completes the request.
        ### Instruction:Describe the following person
        ### Input:John
        ### Response:
        John is a great guy!
        He is a programmer and has been for 10 years.
        He is the best programmer I know.
        He is a very friendly person.
        He is very helpful and kind.
        He is very smart.
        He is a
Below is an instruction that describes a task, paired with an input that provides further context.
        Write a response that appropriately completes the request.
        ### Instruction:Construct an argument to defend the following statement.
        ### Input:Alternative energy sources are critical to solving the climate crisis
        ### Response:
        ### 1. The climate crisis is not the only problem that alternative energy sources can solve.
        ### 2. Alternative energy sources are not a practical solution to the climate crisis.
        ### 3. The climate crisis is not a problem that can be solved by alternative energy sources.
```

Comments:

Despite some weird behaviors like writing the HTML code in the first task, the model can provide an overall satisfying performance. It not only outputs the contexts that are closely related to the instructions, but also creates the contents beyond the database of Alpaca.