NLP01022: PyTorch Workshop

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Plan

We'll have an introduction to PyTorch and its important modules. Also we get our hands on a simple NLP task.

This notebook is available on telegram group after this session.

▼ Introduction

PyTorch is a deep learning framework, one of the two main frameworks alongside TensorFlow. PyTorch is a popular choice among researchers and practitioners for its ease of use, flexibility, and dynamic computation graph. It allows for seamless use of GPUs, and offers extensive support for common neural network architectures and modules.

Some of PyTorch's capabilities include:

- · Dynamic computation graph
- · Easy debugging and visualization with tensorboard
- Distributed training on multiple GPUs and machines
- Support for various neural network architectures and modules, including convolutional and recurrent neural networks, transformers, and more.

Let's start by importing PyTorch:

```
import torch
import torch.nn as nn
```

We are all set to start our tutorial. Let's dive in!

▼ Tensors

Tensors are

- PyTorch's most basic building block.
- multi-dimensional matrices.

for example: A 256x256 image might be represented by a 3x256x256 tensor (First dimension represents color channels)

How can we represent a sentence using tensors?

Each tensor has a data type, something like:

- torch.float32
- torch.int

You can specify the data type explicitly when you create the tensor:

There are a number of utility functions to create tensors in pytorch:

- torch.zeros(): creates a tensor filled with zeros.
- torch.ones(): creates a tensor filled with ones.

- **torch**.rand(): creates a tensor filled with random values from this range [0, 1).
- torch.full(): creates a tensor filled with a scalar value.
- torch.eye(): creates a square tensor with ones on the diagonal and zeros elsewhere.
- **torch**.arange(): creates a 1D tensor with evenly spaced values in a given range, space determined by step.
- **torch**.linspace(): creates a 1D tensor with evenly spaced values between a start and end value, space determined by number of values.

```
zeros = torch.zeros(2, 5) # shape
ones = torch.ones(3, 4) # shape
randoms = torch.rand(2, 3) # shape
full = torch.full((3,4), 56.7) # shape, fill value
I = torch.eye(3) # diagonal size
arange = torch.arange(0, 10, 2) # start, stop, step
linspace = torch.linspace(0, 10, 20) # start, stop, number_of_values
empty = torch.empty(2,2) # shape: faster than zeros() or ones() because it does not i
print("zeros = torch.zeros(2, 5)\n", zeros, "\n\n",
      "ones = torch.ones(3, 4)\n", ones, "\n\n",
      "randoms = torch.rand(2, 3)\n", randoms, "\n\n",
      "full = torch.full((3, 4), 56.7)\n", full, "\n\n",
      "I = torch.eye(3)\n", I, "\n\n",
      "arange = torch.arange(0, 10, 2)\n", arange, "\n\n",
      "linspace = torch.linspace(0, 10, 20)\n", linspace, "\n\n",
      "empty = torch.empty(2,2)\n", empty)
    zeros = torch.zeros(2, 5)
     tensor([[0., 0., 0., 0., 0.],
            [0., 0., 0., 0., 0.]
     ones = torch.ones(3, 4)
     tensor([[1., 1., 1., 1.],
            [1., 1., 1., 1.],
            [1., 1., 1., 1.]
     randoms = torch.rand(2, 3)
     tensor([[0.1398, 0.2671, 0.9228],
             [0.5382, 0.0678, 0.6011]])
     full = torch.full((3, 4), 56.7)
     tensor([[56.7000, 56.7000, 56.7000, 56.7000],
             [56.7000, 56.7000, 56.7000, 56.7000],
            [56.7000, 56.7000, 56.7000, 56.7000]])
     I = torch.eye(3)
     tensor([[1., 0., 0.],
            [0., 1., 0.],
            [0., 0., 1.]]
```

Quiz: Under each comment write the suitable script to create the said tensor

$$A=egin{bmatrix}1&2.2&9.6\4&-7.2&6.3\end{bmatrix}$$
 $B=egin{bmatrix}1&1\1&1\end{bmatrix}$ (How many ways?)

```
# Create two random tensors
A = torch.tensor([[1, 2, 3], [4, 5, 6]])
B = A.clone() # Modifiying the clone does not affect the original tensor
A_shape = A.shape # A Size object containing tensor dimentions' sizes
# Addition
C = A + B
C_torch = torch.add(A, B)
# Subtraction
D = A - B
D_torch = torch.sub(A, B)
# Multiplication (element-wise)
E = A * B
```

```
E torch = torch.mul(A, B)
# Division (element-wise)
F = A / B
F torch = torch.div(A, B)
# Transpose
G = A.T
G torch = torch.transpose(A, 0, 1)
# Matrix multiplication
H = A @ B.T
H \text{ torch} = \text{torch.matmul}(A, B.T)
# Print results
print("A: \n", A)
print("B: \n", B)
print("A.shape: \n", A_shape)
print("A + B: \n", C)
print("torch.add(A, B): \n", C_torch)
print("A - B: \n", D)
print("torch.sub(A, B): \n", D_torch)
print("A * B: \n", E)
print("torch.mul(A, B): \n", E_torch)
print("A / B: \n", F)
print("torch.div(A, B): \n", F torch)
print("Transpose of A: \n", G)
print("torch.transpose(A, 0, 1): \n", G torch)
print("A @ B.T: \n", H)
print("torch.matmul(A, B.T): \n", H torch)
    Α:
      tensor([[1, 2, 3],
             [4, 5, 6]]
    B:
      tensor([[1, 2, 3],
             [4, 5, 6]])
    A.shape:
      torch.Size([2, 3])
    A + B:
      tensor([[ 2, 4, 6],
             [ 8, 10, 12]])
    torch.add(A, B):
      tensor([[ 2, 4, 6],
             [ 8, 10, 12]])
     A - B:
      tensor([[0, 0, 0],
             [0, 0, 0]]
    torch.sub(A, B):
      tensor([[0, 0, 0],
             [0, 0, 0]]
    A * B:
      tensor([[ 1, 4, 9],
             [16, 25, 36]])
```

```
torch.mul(A, B):
 tensor([[ 1, 4, 9],
        [16, 25, 36]])
A / B:
 tensor([[1., 1., 1.],
        [1., 1., 1.]])
torch.div(A, B):
 tensor([[1., 1., 1.],
        [1., 1., 1.]
Transpose of A:
 tensor([[1, 4],
        [2, 5],
        [3, 6]])
torch.transpose(A, 0, 1):
 tensor([[1, 4],
        [2, 5],
        [3, 6]])
A @ B.T:
 tensor([[14, 32],
        [32, 7711)
torch.matmul(A, B.T):
 tensor([[14, 32],
        [32, 77]])
```

Quiz: Considering tensor A and B, implement the following formula:

$$((A+B)(A-B)^T)/I$$
 $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 5 & 6 \end{bmatrix}$
 $B = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 5 & 6 & 7 \end{bmatrix}$

import torch

Reshaping tensors can be used to make batch operations easier (more on that later), but be careful that the data is reshaped in the order you expect:

```
rr = torch.arange(1, 16)
print("The shape is currently", rr.shape)
print("The contents are currently", rr)
print()
rr2 = rr.view(5, 3) # view is not a clone, it uses the same shared data
print("After reshaping, the shape is currently", rr2.shape)
print("The contents are currently", rr2)
print()
print('Changing the first value of rr will change the corresponding value in rr2')
rr[0] = 100
print(rr)
print(rr2)
    The shape is currently torch.Size([15])
    The contents are currently tensor([ 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 1
    After reshaping, the shape is currently torch.Size([5, 3])
    The contents are currently tensor([[ 1, 2, 3],
            [4, 5, 6],
            [7, 8, 9],
            [10, 11, 12],
            [13, 14, 15]])
    Changing the first value of rr will change the corresponding value in rr2
    tensor([100,
                   2,
                        3,
                             4,
                                  5,
                                     6, 7, 8,
                                                     9, 10, 11, 12, 13,
             151)
    tensor([[100,
                    2,
                         3],
                    5,
            [ 4,
                         61,
              7,
                   8,
                         91,
                   11,
                        12],
            [ 10,
                        15]])
            [ 13,
                   14,
```

Finally, you can also inter-convert tensors with **NumPy arrays**:

```
import numpy as np

# numpy.ndarray --> torch.Tensor: [feed ndarray to torch.tensor]
arr = np.array([[1, 0, 5]])
data = torch.tensor(arr)
print("This is a torch.tensor", data)

# torch.Tensor --> numpy.ndarray: [use .numpy() on tensor]
new_arr = data.numpy()
print("This is a np.ndarray", new arr)
```

```
This is a torch.tensor tensor([[1, 0, 5]])
This is a np.ndarray [[1 0 5]]
```

Vectorization

One of the reasons why we use **tensors** is *vectorized operations*: operations that be conducted in parallel over a particular dimension of a tensor.

```
data = torch.arange(1, 36, dtype=torch.float32).reshape(5, 7)
print("Data is:", data)
# We can perform operations like *sum* over each row...
print("Taking the sum over columns:")
print(data.sum(dim=0))
# or over each column.
print("Taking the sum over rows:")
print(data.sum(dim=1))
# Other operations are available:
print("Taking the std over rows:")
print(data.std(dim=1))
    Data is: tensor([[ 1., 2., 3., 4., 5., 6., 7.],
             [8., 9., 10., 11., 12., 13., 14.],
             [15., 16., 17., 18., 19., 20., 21.],
             [22., 23., 24., 25., 26., 27., 28.],
             [29., 30., 31., 32., 33., 34., 35.]])
    Taking the sum over columns:
    tensor([ 75., 80., 85., 90., 95., 100., 105.])
    Taking the sum over rows:
    tensor([ 28., 77., 126., 175., 224.])
    Taking the std over rows:
    tensor([2.1602, 2.1602, 2.1602, 2.1602, 2.1602])
** Without specifying dimentions, it just sum all the values **
data.sum()
    tensor(630.)
```

Quiz: Write code that creates a torch.tensor with the following contents: $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2.2 & 9.6 \\ 4 & -7.2 & 6.3 \end{bmatrix}$

Now compute the average of each row (.mean()) and each column.

What's the shape of the results?

▼ Indexing & Slicing

You can access arbitrary elements of a tensor using the [] operator.

```
tensor([ 1, 4, 7, 10, 13])
matr[0:3]
    tensor([[1, 2, 3],
             [4, 5, 6],
             [7, 8, 9]])
matr[:, 0:2]
    tensor([[ 1, 2],
             [4, 5],
             [7, 8],
             [10, 11],
             [13, 14]])
matr[0:3, 0:2]
    tensor([[1, 2],
             [4, 5],
             [7, 8]])
It look likes they are doing the same thing?
print(matr[0][2])
print(matr[0,2])
    tensor(3)
    tensor(3)
matr[0:3, 2]
    tensor([3, 6, 9])
matr[0:3][2]
    tensor([7, 8, 9])
matr[0:3]
    tensor([[1, 2, 3],
             [4, 5, 6],
             [7, 8, 9]])
matr[[0, 2, 4]]
```

Accessing python scalar value in a tensor

```
matr[0, 0]
      tensor(1)
matr[0, 0].item()
1
```

Quiz: Write code that creates a torch tensor with the following contents: $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2.2 & 9.6 \\ 4 & -7.2 & 6.3 \end{bmatrix}$

How do you get the first column? The first row?

Autograd

Pytorch is well-known for its automatic differentiation feature. We can call the backward() method to ask PyTorch to calculate the gradients, which are then stored in the grad attribute.

```
# Create an example tensor
# requires_grad parameter tells PyTorch to store gradients
x = torch.tensor([2.], requires_grad=True)
# Print the gradient if it is calculated
```

```
# Currently None since x is a scalar
print(x) grad)

# Calculating the gradient of y with respect to x
y = x * x * 3 # 3x^2
y.backward()
print(x.grad) # d(y)/d(x) = d(3x^2)/d(x) = 6x = 12

tensor([12.])
```

Let's run backprop from a different tensor again to see what happens.

```
z = x * x * 3 # 3x^2
z.backward()
print(x.grad)
tensor([24.])
```

We can see that the x.grad is updated to be the sum of the gradients calculated so far. When we run backprop in a neural network, we sum up all the gradients for a particular neuron before making an update. This is exactly what is happening here! This is also the reason why we need to run zero_grad() in every training iteration (more on this later). Otherwise our gradients would keep building up from one training iteration to the other, which would cause our updates to be wrong.

```
# let's have a look at a bit more sophisticated example:
# clearing cumulative grads
print(x.grad)
x.grad.zero_()
print(x.grad)

   tensor([24.])
   tensor([0.])

y = torch.tensor(3., requires_grad=True)
y

tensor(3., requires_grad=True)
```

```
f = v * x * 10
f.backward()
print(x)
print(x.grad)
print()
print(y)
print(y.grad)
    tensor([2.], requires_grad=True)
    tensor([30.])
    tensor(3., requires grad=True)
    tensor(20.)
x.grad.zero ()
f = 3 * x
q = 10 * f
g.backward()
print(x)
print(x.grad)
    tensor([2.], requires_grad=True)
    tensor([30.])
```

▼ Neural Network Module

So far we have looked into the tensors, their properties and basic operations on tensors. These are especially useful to get familiar with if we are building the layers of our network from scratch. We will utilize these in Assignment 3, but moving forward, we will use predefined blocks in the torch.nn module of PyTorch. We will then put together these blocks to create complex networks. Let's start by importing this module with an alias so that we don't have to type torch every time we use it.

```
import torch.nn as nn
```

▼ Linear Layer

We can use nn.Linear(H_in , H_out) to create a a linear layer. This will take a matrix of (N, *, H_in) dimensions and output a matrix of (N, *, H_out). The * denotes that there could be arbitrary number of dimensions in between. The linear layer performs the operation Ax+b, where A and B are initialized randomly. If we don't want the linear layer to learn the bias parameters, we can initialize our layer with bias=False.

```
# Create the inputs
input = torch.ones(2,3,4)
# N* H in -> N*H out
# Make a linear layers transforming N,*,H in dimensinal inputs to N,*,H out
# dimensional outputs
linear = nn.Linear(4, 2)
linear output = linear(input)
linear_output
                         0.4311],
    tensor([[[-0.0705,
              [-0.0705,
                         0.4311],
              [-0.0705,
                         0.4311]],
             [[-0.0705,
                         0.4311],
              [-0.0705,
                         0.43111,
              [-0.0705,
                         0.4311]]], grad fn=<ViewBackward0>)
list(linear.parameters()) # Ax + b
     [Parameter containing:
     tensor([[-0.1591, -0.1102, 0.2865,
                                           0.07611,
              [-0.4066,
                         0.2974,
                                  0.1917,
                                           0.0553]], requires grad=True),
     Parameter containing:
     tensor([-0.1639, 0.2933], requires grad=True)]
```

Other Module Lavers

There are several other preconfigured layers in the nn module. Some commonly used examples are nn.Conv2d, nn.ConvTranspose2d, nn.BatchNorm1d, nn.BatchNorm2d, nn.Upsample and nn.MaxPool2d among many others. We will learn more about these as we progress in the course. For now, the only important thing to remember is that we can treat each of these layers as plug and play components: we will be providing the required dimensions and PyTorch will take care of setting them up.

▼ Activation Function Layer

We can also use the nn module to apply activations functions to our tensors. Activation functions are used to add non-linearity to our network. Some examples of activations functions are nn.ReLU(), nn.Sigmoid() and nn.LeakyReLU(). Activation functions operate on each element seperately, so the shape of the tensors we get as an output are the same as the ones we pass in.

```
linear output
```

```
tensor([[[-0.0705,
                         0.43111,
              [-0.0705,
                         0.4311],
              [-0.0705,
                         0.4311]],
             [[-0.0705,
                         0.4311],
              [-0.0705,
                         0.43111,
                         0.4311]]], grad fn=<ViewBackward0>)
              [-0.0705,
sigmoid = nn.Sigmoid()
output = sigmoid(linear output)
output
    tensor([[[0.4824, 0.6061],
              [0.4824, 0.6061],
              [0.4824, 0.6061]],
             [[0.4824, 0.6061],
              [0.4824, 0.6061],
              [0.4824, 0.6061]]], grad_fn=<SigmoidBackward0>)
```

▼ Putting the Layers Together

So far we have seen that we can create layers and pass the output of one as the input of the next. Instead of creating intermediate tensors and passing them around, we can use nn.Sequentual, which does exactly that.

Custom Modules

Instead of using the predefined modules, we can also build our own by extending the nn.Module class. For example, we can build the nn.Linear (which also extends nn.Module) on our own

using the tensor introduced earlier! We can also build new, more complex modules, such as a custom neural network. You will be practicing these in the later assignment.

To create a custom module, the first thing we have to do is to extend the nn.Module. We can then initialize our parameters in the __init__ function, starting with a call to the __init__ function of the super class. All the class attributes we define which are nn module objects are treated as parameters, which can be learned during the training. Tensors are not parameters, but they can be turned into parameters if they are wrapped in nn.Parameter class.

All classes extending nn.Module are also expected to implement a forward(x) function, where x is a tensor. This is the function that is called when a parameter is passed to our module, such as in model(x).

```
class MultilayerPerceptron(nn.Module):
  def init (self, input size, hidden size):
   # Call to the __init__ function of the super class
    super(MultilayerPerceptron, self). init ()
   # Bookkeeping: Saving the initialization parameters
    self.input size = input size
    self.hidden size = hidden size
   # Defining of our model
   # There isn't anything specific about the naming of `self.model`. It could
   # be something arbitrary.
    self.model = nn.Sequential(
        nn.Linear(self.input size, self.hidden size),
        nn.ReLU(),
       nn.Linear(self.hidden size, self.input size),
        nn.Sigmoid()
    )
  def forward(self, x):
   output = self.model(x)
    return output
```

Here is an alternative way to define the same class. You can see that we can replace nn.Sequential by defining the individual layers in the __init__ method and connecting the in the forward method.

```
class MultilayerPerceptron(nn.Module):
    def __init__(self, input_size, hidden_size):
        # Call to the __init__ function of the super class
        super(MultilayerPerceptron, self). init ()
```

```
# Bookkeeping: Saving the initialization parameters
self.input_size = input_size
self.hidden_size = hidden_size

# Defining of our layers
self.linear = nn.Linear(self.input_size, self.hidden_size)
self.relu = nn.ReLU()
self.linear2 = nn.Linear(self.hidden_size, self.input_size)
self.sigmoid = nn.Sigmoid()

def forward(self, x):
    linear = self.linear(x)
    relu = self.relu(linear)
    linear2 = self.linear2(relu)
    output = self.sigmoid(linear2)
    return output
```

Now that we have defined our class, we can instantiate it and see what it does.

We can inspect the parameters of our model with named_parameters() and parameters() methods.

```
[ 0.1266, 0.0574, -0.3398],
      [ 0.2241, 0.5479, 0.5321]], requires_grad=True)),
('linear2.bias',
Parameter containing:
tensor([ 0.3906, 0.4117, 0.2708, -0.5031, -0.3149], requires grad=True))]
```

Optimization

We have showed how gradients are calculated with the backward() function. Having the gradients isn't enought for our models to learn. We also need to know how to update the parameters of our models. This is where the optimizers comes in. torch.optim module contains several optimizers that we can use. Some popular examples are optim.SGD and optim.Adam. When initializing optimizers, we pass our model parameters, which can be accessed with model.parameters(), telling the optimizers which values it will be optimizing. Optimizers also has a learning rate (lr) parameter, which determines how big of an update will be made in every step. Different optimizers have different hyperparameters as well.

```
import torch.optim as optim
```

After we have our optimization function, we can define a loss that we want to optimize for. We can either define the loss ourselves, or use one of the predefined loss function in PyTorch, such as nn.BCELoss(). Let's put everything together now! We will start by creating some dummy data.

```
# Create the y data
y = torch.ones(10, 5)
# Add some noise to our goal y to generate our x
# We want our model to predict our original data, albeit the noise
x = y + torch.randn like(y)
                                                       3.7356e-01,
    tensor([[ 1.4481e+00,
                            1.5741e+00,
                                          2.7479e+00,
                                                                     5.6945e-011,
             [-8.3364e-02,
                                          1.6955e+00,
                                                       2.4019e+00,
                            2.1854e+00,
                                                                     1.1410e-02],
             [ 1.8081e+00,
                            1.0321e+00,
                                          2.3767e+00,
                                                       8.3225e-01,
                                                                     1.7766e+001,
             [ 5.3410e-02,
                            1.3933e+00,
                                          5.3727e-01,
                                                       1.1749e-01,
                                                                     1.9335e-01],
             [ 9.1281e-01,
                            6.1750e-01,
                                          6.3051e-01,
                                                      -3.8757e-01,
                                                                     7.4699e-011,
                                                       8.1719e-01, -7.8099e-021,
             [ 1.0727e+00,
                            5.2872e-01,
                                          2.2358e-01,
             [ 2.1987e+00,
                            1.2383e+00,
                                          1.4726e+00,
                                                       2.4384e+00,
                                                                     6.0987e-01],
             [ 3.5173e-02,
                            1.4249e+00, -2.2269e-01,
                                                       1.2916e+00, -3.7038e-011,
                                                       9.2184e-01,
             [ 1.0281e+00,
                            1.6842e-01,
                                          1.0657e+00,
                                                                     2.4698e-011,
             [ 3.9331e-01, -4.9450e-01,
                                          1.1048e+00,
                                                       1.5435e-03,
                                                                     6.2793e-01]])
```

Now, we can define our model, optimizer and the loss function.

```
# Instantiate the model
model = MultilayerPerceptron(5, 3)

# Define the optimizer
adam = optim.Adam(model.parameters(), lr=le-1)

# Define loss using a predefined loss function
loss_function = nn.BCELoss()

# Calculate how our model is doing now
y_pred = model(x)
loss_function(y_pred, y).item()

_ 0.6880847215652466
```

QUIZ: With nn.BCELoss, calculate the loss over first 3 columns of the second row of values

```
bce_loss = nn.BCELoss()
selected_x = x
selected_y = y[1, 0:3]
predicted_y = model(x)
loss = loss_function(predicted_y[1, 0:3], selected_y)
print(loss)

tensor(0.7208, grad_fn=<BinaryCrossEntropyBackward0>)
```

Let's see if we can have our model achieve a smaller loss. Now that we have everything we need, we can setup our training loop.

```
# Set the number of epoch, which determines the number of training iterations
n_epoch = 10

for epoch in range(n_epoch):
    # Set the gradients to 0
    adam.zero_grad()

# Get the model predictions
y_pred = model(x)

# Get the loss
loss = loss_function(y_pred, y)

# Print stats
print(f"Epoch {epoch}: traing loss: {loss}")

# Compute the gradients
loss.backward()
```

You can see that our loss is decreasing. Let's check the predictions of our model now and see if they are close to our original y, which was all 1s.

tensor([0.7667, 0.9808, 0.2451, 0.7969, 0.3430], requires grad=True))]

```
[1.0000, 1.0000, 1.0000, 1.0000, 1.0000],
             [1.0000, 1.0000, 1.0000, 1.0000, 1.0000]], grad fn=<SigmoidBackward0>)
# Create test data and check how our model performs on it
x2 = y + torch.randn like(y)
y pred = model(x2)
y pred
    tensor([[1.0000, 1.0000, 1.0000, 1.0000, 1.0000],
             [1.0000, 1.0000, 1.0000, 1.0000, 0.9999],
            [1.0000, 1.0000, 1.0000, 0.9999, 0.9997],
             [0.9999, 0.9999, 1.0000, 0.9999, 0.9995],
            [1.0000, 1.0000, 1.0000, 1.0000, 1.0000],
            [1.0000, 1.0000, 1.0000, 1.0000, 1.0000],
            [1.0000, 1.0000, 1.0000, 1.0000, 1.0000],
            [0.9999, 0.9999, 0.9999, 0.9998, 0.9990],
            [1.0000, 1.0000, 1.0000, 1.0000, 1.0000],
            [1.0000, 1.0000, 1.0000, 1.0000, 0.9999]], grad fn=<SigmoidBackward0>)
```

Great! Looks like our model almost perfectly learned to filter out the noise from the \times that we passed in!

▼ Intermission: 5 min

▼ Demo: Word Window Classification

Until this part of the notebook, we have learned the fundamentals of PyTorch and built a basic network solving a toy task. Now we will attempt to solve an example NLP task. Here are the things we will learn:

- 1. Data: Creating a Dataset of Batched Tensors
- 2. Modeling
- 3. Training
- 4. Prediction

In this section, our goal will be to train a model that will find the words in a sentence corresponding to a LOCATION, which will be always of span 1 (meaning that San Fransisco won't be recognized as a LOCATION). Our task is called Word Window Classification for a reason. Instead of letting our model to only take a look at one word in each forward pass, we would like it to be able to consider the context of the word in question. That is, for each word, we want our model to be aware of the surrounding words. Let's dive in!

▼ Data

The very first task of any machine learning project is to set up our training set. Usually, there will be a training corpus we will be utilizing. In NLP tasks, the corpus would generally be a .txt or .csv file where each row corresponds to a sentence or a tabular datapoint. In our toy task, we will assume that we have already read our data and the corresponding labels into a Python list.

```
# Our raw data, which consists of sentences
corpus = [
        "We always come to Paris",
        "The professor is from Australia",
        "I live in Stanford",
        "He comes from Taiwan",
        "The capital of Turkey is Ankara"
]
```

▼ Preprocessing

To make it easier for our models to learn, we usually apply a few preprocessing steps to our data. This is especially important when dealing with text data. Here are some examples of text preprocessing:

- **Tokenization**: Tokenizing the sentences into words.
- Lowercasing: Changing all the letters to be lowercase. Example?
- Noise removal: Removing special characters (such as punctuations). Example?
- Stop words removal: Removing commonly used words. Example?

Which preprocessing steps are necessary is determined by the task at hand. For example, although it is useful to remove special characters in some tasks, for others they may be important (for example, if we are dealing with multiple languages). For our task, we will lowercase our words and tokenize.

```
# The preprocessing function we will use to generate our training examples
# Our function is a simple one, we lowercase the letters
# and then tokenize the words.
def preprocess_sentence(sentence):
    return sentence.lower().split()

# Create our training set
train_sentences = [preprocess_sentence(sent) for sent in corpus]
train_sentences

[['we', 'always', 'come', 'to', 'paris'],
    ['the', 'professor', 'is', 'from', 'australia'],
    ['i', 'live', 'in', 'stanford'],
```

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['he', 'comes', 'from', 'taiwan'],
['the', 'capital', 'of', 'turkey', 'is', 'ankara']]
```

For each training example we have, we should also have a corresponding label. Recall that the goal of our model was to determine which words correspond to a LOCATION. That is, we want our model to output 0 for all the words that are not LOCATIONs and 1 for the ones that are LOCATIONs.

```
# Set of locations that appear in our corpus locations = set(["australia", "ankara", "paris", "stanford", "taiwan", "turkey"])

# Our train labels train_labels = [[1 if word in locations else 0 for word in sent] for sent in train_se train_labels

[[0, 0, 0, 0, 1], [0, 0, 0, 1], [0, 0, 0, 1], [0, 0, 0, 1], [0, 0, 0, 1], [0, 0, 0, 1], [0, 0, 0, 1], [0, 0, 0, 1], [0, 0, 0, 1],
```

Converting Words to Embeddings

Let's look at our training data a little more closely. Each datapoint we have is a sequence of words. On the other hand, we know that machine learning models work with numbers in vectors. How are we going to turn words into numbers? You may be thinking embeddings and you are right!

Imagine that we have an embedding lookup table E, where each row corresponds to an embedding. That is, each word in our vocabulary would have a corresponding embedding row i in this table. Whenever we want to find an embedding for a word, we will follow these steps:

- 1. Find the corresponding index i of the word in the embedding table: word->index.
- 2. Index into the embedding table and get the embedding: index->embedding.

Let's look at the first step. We should assign all the words in our vocabulary to a corresponding index. We can do it as follows:

- 1. Find all the unique words in our corpus. How?
- 2. Assign an index to each.

```
# Find all the unique words in our corpus
vocabulary = set(w for s in train_sentences for w in s)
vocabulary

{'always',
   'ankara',
   'australia',
```

```
'capital',
'come',
'comes',
'from',
'he',
'i',
'in',
'is',
'live',
'of',
'paris',
'professor',
'stanford',
'taiwan',
'the',
'to',
'turkey',
'we'}
```

vocabulary now contains all the words in our corpus. On the other hand, during the test time, we can see words that are not contained in our vocabulary. If we can figure out a way to represent the unknown words, our model can still reason about whether they are a LOCATION or not, since we are also looking at the neighboring words for each prediction.

We introduce a special token, <unk>, to tackle the words that are out of vocabulary. We could pick another string for our unknown token if we wanted. The only requirement here is that our token should be unique: we should only be using this token for unknown words. We will also add this special token to our vocabulary.

```
# Add the unknown token to our vocabulary
vocabulary.add("<unk>")
```

Earlier we mentioned that our task was called Word Window Classification because our model is looking at the surroundings words in addition to the given word when it needs to make a prediction.

For example, let's take the sentence "We always come to Paris". The corresponding training label for this sentence is 0, 0, 0, 1 since only Paris, the last word, is a LOCATION. In one pass (meaning a call to forward()), our model will try to generate the correct label for one word. Let's say our model is trying to generate the correct label 1 for Paris. If we only allow our model to see Paris, but nothing else, we will miss out on the important information that the word to often times appears with LOCATIONs.

Word windows allow our model to consider the surrounding +N or -N words of each word when making a prediction. In our earlier example for Paris, if we have a window size of 1, that means our model will look at the words that come immediately before and after Paris, which are to, and,

well, nothing. Now, this raises another issue. Paris is at the end of our sentence, so there isn't another word following it. Remember that we define the input dimensions of our PyTorch models when we are initializing them. If we set the window size to be 1, it means that our model will be accepting 3 words in every pass. We cannot have our model expect 2 words from time to time.

The solution is to introduce a special token, such as <pad>, that will be added to our sentences to make sure that every word has a valid window around them. Similar to <unk> token, we could pick another string for our pad token if we wanted, as long as we make sure it is used for a unique purpose.

```
# Add the <pad> token to our vocabulary
vocabulary.add("<pad>")

# Function that pads the given sentence
# We are introducing this function here as an example
# We will be utilizing it later in the tutorial
def pad_window(sentence, window_size, pad_token="<pad>"):
    window = [pad_token] * window_size
    return window + sentence + window

# Show padding example
window_size = 2
pad_window(train_sentences[0], window_size=window_size)

['<pad>', '<pad>', 'we', 'always', 'come', 'to', 'paris', '<pad>', '<pad>']
```

Now that our vocabularly is ready, let's assign an index to each of our words.

```
# We are just converting our vocabularly to a list to be able to index into it
# Sorting is not necessary, we sort to show an ordered word to ind dictionary
# That being said, we will see that having the index for the padding token
# be 0 is convenient as some PyTorch functions use it as a default value
# such as nn.utils.rnn.pad sequence, which we will cover in a bit
ix to word = sorted(list(vocabulary))
# Creating a dictionary to find the index of a given word
word to ix = \{word: ind for ind, word in enumerate(ix to word)\}
word_to_ix
     {'<pad>': 0,
      '<unk>': 1,
      'always': 2,
      'ankara': 3,
      'australia': 4,
      'capital': 5,
      'come': 6,
      'comes': 7,
      'from': 8,
```

```
'he': 9,
      'i': 10,
      'in': 11,
      'is': 12,
      'live': 13,
      'of': 14,
      'paris': 15,
      'professor': 16,
      'stanford': 17,
      'taiwan': 18,
      'the': 19,
      'to': 20,
      'turkey': 21,
      'we': 22}
print(ix_to_word[1])
print(word to ix['<unk>'])
    <unk>
     1
```

Great! We are ready to convert our training sentences into a sequence of indices corresponding to each token.

```
# Given a sentence of tokens, return the corresponding indices
def convert token to indices(sentence, word to ix):
  indices = []
  for token in sentence:
    # Check if the token is in our vocabularly. If it is, get it's index.
    # If not, get the index for the unknown token.
    if token in word to ix:
      index = word_to_ix[token]
    else:
      index = word to ix["<unk>"]
    indices.append(index)
  return indices
# More compact version of the same function
def convert token to indices(sentence, word to ix):
  return [word to ix.get(token, word to ix["<unk>"]) for token in sentence]
# Show an example
example sentence = ["we", "always", "come", "to", "kuwait"]
example indices = convert token to indices(example sentence, word to ix)
restored example = [ix to word[ind] for ind in example indices]
print(f"Original sentence is: {example_sentence}")
print(f"Going from words to indices: {example indices}")
print(f"Going from indices to words: {restored_example}")
```

```
Original sentence is: ['we', 'always', 'come', 'to', 'kuwait']
Going from words to indices: [22, 2, 6, 20, 1]
Going from indices to words: ['we', 'always', 'come', 'to', '<unk>']
```

In the example above, kuwait shows up as <unk>, because it is not included in our vocabulary. Let's convert our train_sentences to example_padded_indices.

```
# Converting our sentences to indices
example_padded_indices = [convert_token_to_indices(s, word_to_ix) for s in train_sent
example_padded_indices

[[22, 2, 6, 20, 15],
       [19, 16, 12, 8, 4],
       [10, 13, 11, 17],
       [9, 7, 8, 18],
       [19, 5, 14, 21, 12, 3]]
```

Now that we have an index for each word in our vocabularly, we can create an embedding table with nn.Embedding class in PyTorch. It is called as follows nn.Embedding(num_words, embedding_dimension) where num_words is the number of words in our vocabulary and the embedding_dimension is the dimension of the embeddings we want to have. There is nothing fancy about nn.Embedding: it is just a wrapper class around a trainabe NxE dimensional tensor, where N is the number of words in our vocabulary and E is the number of embedding dimensions.

This table is initially random, but it will change over time. As we train our network, the gradients will be backpropagated all the way to the embedding layer, and hence our word embeddings would be updated. We will initiliaze the embedding layer we will use for our model in our model, but we are showing an example here.

```
# Creating an embedding table for our words
embedding dim = 5
embeds = nn.Embedding(len(vocabulary), embedding dim)
# Printing the parameters in our embedding table
list(embeds.named parameters())
    [('weight',
      Parameter containing:
      tensor([[ 0.1569, -0.6988,
                                  1.1663,
                                            0.8902,
                                                     0.54531,
              [-2.1172, 0.7566,
                                   0.3789, -1.0536,
                                                     0.93801,
              [ 0.6544, -1.2428,
                                   1.4539,
                                            2.2869, -0.1435],
              [ 1.2256, -1.8408,
                                   0.1393, -0.1612,
                                                     0.4784],
              [0.4751, -0.5841, -1.4732, -0.5266, -1.1685],
                                            0.7087, -0.7643],
              [-0.2660, 0.2014,
                                   0.2694,
              [ 0.1409, -0.1442, -0.2889,
                                            1.5485, -0.60841,
               [ 0.5124, -1.0330, -0.5464, -0.0711,
                                                     1.72201,
              [1.1607, -1.9755, -1.5873, 0.8921, -0.9809],
```

```
0.6010],
[ 0.2979,
          1.8946, -0.7578, -1.5342,
[-0.1775, -1.6259, -0.2892,
                           1.6260, -0.83191,
[0.0848, -1.2990, -2.1170, 0.3250, 2.7506],
[2.1503, -2.1468, -1.1847, -0.9481, -0.4090],
[-0.1488, 0.7945, -0.8798, -1.1888, -0.1931],
                  1.4725, -0.6138,
[ 0.2187, -1.2733,
                                     2.01921,
[-0.8501, -1.2288, -0.8952, 0.8554, -0.0104],
[-0.6896, -0.4180, 1.6557, -1.2526, -0.3655],
[-0.3766, -0.9682, -1.6094, 0.0058,
                                     0.79921,
[-1.2860, 0.7100, -0.7964, -0.1671,
                                     0.2793],
[-0.9450, -1.4015, -0.4525, 2.4425,
                                     0.2647],
[-1.3036, 0.3038, 0.8656, -1.5797,
                                     0.33291,
[-0.3678, 1.1626, -0.6572, -0.0705,
                                    1.3600],
[ 1.0464, 0.7210, 1.3009, 1.3571, 0.7237]], requires_grad=True))]
```

To get the word embedding for a word in our vocabulary, all we need to do is to create a lookup tensor. The lookup tensor is just a tensor containing the index we want to look up nn.Embedding class expects an index tensor that is of type Long Tensor, so we should create our tensor accordingly.

```
# Get the embedding for the word Paris
index = word to ix["paris"]
index tensor = torch.tensor(index, dtype=torch.long)
paris embed = embeds(index tensor)
paris embed
    tensor([-0.8501, -1.2288, -0.8952, 0.8554, -0.0104],
           grad fn=<EmbeddingBackward0>)
# embeds(index) # throws: TypeError: embedding(): argument 'indices' (position 2) mus
# We can also get multiple embeddings at once
index paris = word to ix["paris"]
index ankara = word to ix["ankara"]
indices = [index paris, index ankara]
indices tensor = torch.tensor(indices, dtype=torch.long)
embeddings = embeds(indices tensor)
embeddings
    tensor([[-0.8501, -1.2288, -0.8952, 0.8554, -0.0104],
             [ 1.2256, -1.8408, 0.1393, -0.1612,
                                                   0.4784]],
           grad fn=<EmbeddingBackward0>)
```

Usually, we define the embedding layer as part of our model, which you will see in the later sections of our notebook.

Batching Sentences

We have learned about batches in class. Waiting our whole training corpus to be processed before making an update is constly. On the other hand, updating the parameters after every training example causes the loss to be less stable between updates. To combat these issues, we instead update our parameters after training on a batch of data. This allows us to get a better estimate of the gradient of the global loss. In this section, we will learn how to structure our data into batches using the torch.util.data.DataLoader class.

We will be calling the DataLoader class as follows: DataLoader(data, batch_size=batch_size, shuffle=True, collate_fn=collate_fn). The batch_size parameter determines the number of examples per batch. In every epoch, we will be iterating over all the batches using the DataLoader. The order of batches is deterministic by default, but we can ask DataLoader to shuffle the batches by setting the shuffle parameter to True. This way we ensure that we don't encounter a bad batch multiple times.

If provided, DataLoader passes the batches it prepares to the collate_fn. We can write a custom function to pass to the collate_fn parameter in order to print stats about our batch or perform extra processing. In our case, we will use the collate_fn to:

- 1. Window pad our train sentences.
- 2. Convert the words in the training examples to indices.
- 3. Pad the training examples so that all the sentences and labels have the same length. Similarly, we also need to pad the labels. This creates an issue because when calculating the loss, we need to know the actual number of words in a given example. We will also keep track of this number in the function we pass to the collate fn parameter.

Because our version of the collate_fn function will need to access to our word_to_ix dictionary (so that it can turn words into indices), we will make use of the partial function in Python, which passes the parameters we give to the function we pass it.

```
from torch.utils.data import DataLoader
from functools import partial

def custom_collate_fn(batch, window_size, word_to_ix):
    # Break our batch into the training examples (x) and labels (y)
    # We are turning our x and y into tensors because nn.utils.rnn.pad_sequence
    # method expects tensors. This is also useful since our model will be
    # expecting tensor inputs.
    x, y = zip(*batch)

# Now we need to window pad our training examples. We have already defined a
```

function to handle window padding. We are including it here again so that

```
# everything is in one place.
def pad window(sentence, window size, pad token="<pad>"):
 window = [pad token] * window size
  return window + sentence + window
# Pad the train examples.
x = [pad window(s, window size=window_size) for s in x]
# Now we need to turn words in our training examples to indices. We are
# copying the function defined earlier for the same reason as above.
def convert tokens to indices(sentence, word to ix):
  return [word to ix.get(token, word to ix["<unk>"]) for token in sentence]
# Convert the train examples into indices.
x = [convert_tokens_to_indices(s, word_to_ix) for s in x]
# We will now pad the examples so that the lengths of all the example in
# one batch are the same, making it possible to do matrix operations.
# We set the batch first parameter to True so that the returned matrix has
# the batch as the first dimension.
pad token ix = word to ix["<pad>"]
# pad sequence function expects the input to be a tensor, so we turn x into one
x = [torch.LongTensor(x i) for x i in x]
x padded = nn.utils.rnn.pad sequence(x, batch first=True, padding value=pad token i
# We will also pad the labels. Before doing so, we will record the number
# of labels so that we know how many words existed in each example.
lengths = [len(label) for label in y]
lenghts = torch.LongTensor(lengths)
y = [torch.LongTensor(y i) for y i in y]
y_padded = nn.utils.rnn.pad_sequence(y, batch_first=True, padding_value=0)
# We are now ready to return our variables. The order we return our variables
# here will match the order we read them in our training loop.
return x padded, y padded, lenghts
```

This function seems long, but it really doesn't have to be. Check out the alternative version below where we remove the extra function declarations and comments.

```
def _custom_collate_fn(batch, window_size, word_to_ix):
    # Prepare the datapoints
    x, y = zip(*batch)
    x = [pad_window(s, window_size=window_size) for s in x]
    x = [convert_tokens_to_indices(s, word_to_ix) for s in x]

# Pad x so that all the examples in the batch have the same size
    pad_token_ix = word_to_ix["<pad>"]
    x = [torch.LongTensor(x_i) for x_i in x]
```

```
x padded = nn.utils.rnn.pad sequence(x, batch first=True, padding value=pad token i
  # Pad y and record the length
  lengths = [len(label) for label in y]
  lenghts = torch.LongTensor(lengths)
  y = [torch.LongTensor(y i) for y i in y]
  y padded = nn.utils.rnn.pad sequence(y, batch first=True, padding_value=0)
  return x padded, y padded, lenghts
Now, we can see the DataLoader in action.
# Parameters to be passed to the DataLoader
data = list(zip(train sentences, train labels))
batch size = 2
shuffle = True
window size = 2
collate fn = partial(custom_collate_fn, window_size=window_size, word_to_ix=word_to_i
# Instantiate the DataLoader
loader = DataLoader(data, batch size=batch size, shuffle=shuffle, collate fn=collate
# Go through one loop
counter = 0
for batched x, batched y, batched lengths in loader:
  print(f"Iteration {counter}")
  print("Batched Input:")
  print(batched x)
  print("Batched Labels:")
  print(batched y)
  print("Batched Lengths:")
  print(batched lengths)
  print("")
  counter += 1
    Iteration 0
    Batched Input:
    tensor([[ 0, 0, 10, 13, 11, 17,
                                       0,
                                           01,
             [ 0, 0, 9, 7, 8, 18,
    Batched Labels:
    tensor([[0, 0, 0, 1],
            [0, 0, 0, 1]
    Batched Lengths:
    tensor([4, 4])
    Iteration 1
    Batched Input:
    tensor([[ 0, 0, 19, 16, 12, 8, 4, 0,
                                               0],
             [ 0, 0, 22, 2, 6, 20, 15, 0,
                                               011)
    Batched Labels:
    tensor([[0, 0, 0, 0, 1],
            [0, 0, 0, 0, 1]])
```

```
Batched Lengths:
tensor([5, 5])

Iteration 2
Batched Input:
tensor([[ 0,  0,  19,  5,  14,  21,  12,  3,  0,  0]])
Batched Labels:
tensor([[0,  0,  0,  1,  0,  1]])
Batched Lengths:
tensor([6])
```

The batched input tensors you see above will be passed into our model. On the other hand, we started off saying that our model will be a window classifier. The way our input tensors are currently formatted, we have all the words in a sentence in one datapoint. When we pass this input to our model, it needs to create the windows for each word, make a prediction as to whether the center word is a LOCATION or not for each window, put the predictions together and return.

We could avoid this problem if we formatted our data by breaking it into windows beforehand. In this example, we will instead how our model take care of the formatting.

Given that our window_size is N we want our model to make a prediction on every 2N+1 tokens. That is, if we have an input with 9 tokens, and a window_size of 2, we want our model to return 5 predictions. This makes sense because before we padded it with 2 tokens on each side, our input also had 5 tokens in it!

We can create these windows by using for loops, but there is a faster PyTorch alternative, which is the unfold(dimension, size, step) method. We can create the windows we need using this method as follows:

```
[14, 21, 12, 3, 0],
[21, 12, 3, 0, 0]]])
```

▼ Model

Now that we have prepared our data, we are ready to build our model. We have learned how to write custom nn.Module classes. We will do the same here and put everything we have learned so far together.

```
class WordWindowClassifier(nn.Module):
  def __init__(self, hyperparameters, vocab_size, pad_ix=0):
    super(WordWindowClassifier, self). init ()
    """ Instance variables """
    self.window_size = hyperparameters["window_size"]
    self.embed dim = hyperparameters["embed dim"]
    self.hidden dim = hyperparameters["hidden dim"]
    self.freeze embeddings = hyperparameters["freeze embeddings"]
    """ Embedding Layer
   Takes in a tensor containing embedding indices, and returns the
    corresponding embeddings. The output is of dim
    (number_of_indices * embedding_dim).
    If freeze embeddings is True, set the embedding layer parameters to be
    non-trainable. This is useful if we only want the parameters other than the
   embeddings parameters to change.
    self.embeds = nn.Embedding(vocab size, self.embed dim, padding idx=pad ix)
   if self.freeze embeddings:
      self.embed layer.weight.requires grad = False
    """ Hidden Layer
    full window size = 2 * window size + 1
    self.hidden layer = nn.Sequential(
      nn.Linear(full_window_size * self.embed_dim, self.hidden_dim),
      nn.Tanh()
    )
    """ Output Layer
    self.output_layer = nn.Linear(self.hidden_dim, 1)
    """ Probabilities
   self.probabilities = nn.Sigmoid()
```

```
def forward(self, inputs):
 Let B:= batch size
      L:= window-padded sentence length
      D:= self.embed dim
      S:= self.window size
     H:= self.hidden dim
  inputs: a (B, L) tensor of token indices
  0.00
 B, L = inputs.size()
  0.00
 Reshaping.
 Takes in a (B, L) LongTensor
 Outputs a (B, L~, S) LongTensor
 # Fist, get our word windows for each word in our input.
  token windows = inputs.unfold(1, 2 * self.window_size + 1, 1)
  , adjusted length, = token windows.size()
 # Good idea to do internal tensor-size sanity checks, at the least in comments!
 assert token windows.size() == (B, adjusted length, 2 * self.window size + 1)
  0.00
 Embedding.
 Takes in a torch.LongTensor of size (B, L~, S)
 Outputs a (B, L~, S, D) FloatTensor.
 embedded windows = self.embeds(token windows)
  0.00
 Reshaping.
 Takes in a (B, L~, S, D) FloatTensor.
 Resizes it into a (B, L~, S*D) FloatTensor.
  -1 argument "infers" what the last dimension should be based on leftover axes.
 embedded windows = embedded windows.view(B, adjusted length, -1)
  0.00
 Layer 1.
 Takes in a (B, L~, S*D) FloatTensor.
 Resizes it into a (B, L~, H) FloatTensor
  0.00
  layer 1 = self.hidden layer(embedded windows)
  0.00
 Layer 2
 Takes in a (B, L~, H) FloatTensor.
 Resizes it into a (B, L~, 1) FloatTensor.
```

```
output = self.output_layer(layer_1)

"""

Softmax.
Takes in a (B, L~, 1) FloatTensor of unnormalized class scores.
Outputs a (B, L~, 1) FloatTensor of (log-)normalized class scores.
"""

output = self.probabilities(output)
output = output.view(B, -1)

return output
```

Training

We are now ready to put everything together. Let's start with preparing our data and intializing our model. We can then intialize our optimizer and define our loss function. This time, instead of using one of the predefined loss function as we did before, we will define our own loss function.

```
# Prepare the data
data = list(zip(train sentences, train labels))
batch size = 2
shuffle = True
window size = 2
collate fn = partial(custom collate fn, window size=window size, word to ix=word to i
# Instantiate a DataLoader
loader = DataLoader(data, batch size=batch size, shuffle=shuffle, collate fn=collate
# Initialize a model
# It is useful to put all the model hyperparameters in a dictionary
model_hyperparameters = {
    "batch size": 4,
    "window_size": 2,
    "embed dim": 25,
    "hidden dim": 25,
    "freeze_embeddings": False,
}
vocab size = len(word to ix)
model = WordWindowClassifier(model hyperparameters, vocab size)
# Define an optimizer
learning rate = 0.01
optimizer = torch.optim.SGD(model.parameters(), lr=learning rate)
# Define a loss function, which computes to binary cross entropy loss
def loss function(batch outputs, batch labels, batch lengths):
   # Calculate the loss for the whole batch
```

```
bceloss = nn.BCELoss()
loss = bceloss(batch_outputs, batch_labels.float())

# Rescale the loss. Remember that we have used lengths to store the
# number of words in each training example
loss = loss / batch_lengths.sum().float()

return loss
```

Unlike our earlier example, this time instead of passing all of our training data to the model at once in each epoch, we will be utilizing batches. Hence, in each training epoch iteration, we also iterate over the batches.

```
# Function that will be called in every epoch
def train_epoch(loss_function, optimizer, model, loader):
  # Keep track of the total loss for the batch
  total loss = 0
  for batch inputs, batch labels, batch lengths in loader:
    # Clear the gradients
    optimizer.zero grad()
    # Run a forward pass
    outputs = model.forward(batch inputs)
    # Compute the batch loss
    loss = loss_function(outputs, batch_labels, batch_lengths)
    # Calculate the gradients
    loss.backward()
    # Update the parameteres
    optimizer.step()
    total loss += loss.item()
  return total loss
# Function containing our main training loop
def train(loss function, optimizer, model, loader, num epochs=10000):
  # Iterate through each epoch and call our train epoch function
  for epoch in range(num epochs):
    epoch loss = train epoch(loss function, optimizer, model, loader)
    if epoch % 100 == 0: print(epoch loss)
Let's start training!
num epochs = 1000
train(loss function, optimizer, model, loader, num epochs=num epochs)
```

```
0.2576564848423004
0.22127815708518028
0.19427763670682907
0.133215494453907
0.11663811840116978
0.0849589966237545
0.0594865120947361
0.05912754498422146
0.04591026436537504
```

▼ Prediction

Let's see how well our model is at making predictions. We can start by creating our test data.

Let's loop over our test examples to see how well we are doing.

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