# CS726 Programming Assignment – 3 Report

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# 1 Task 0: Introduction to LLM Decoding Techniques

Here is how, we are getting the logits from the model. To speed up the process, we are also using cache, which stores the previous model run, and passes it for the next run. This speeds up the process by roughly 5 times.

```
for i in range(self.max_output_len):
   outputs = self.model(
        input_ids=current_ids,
        past_key_values=past_key_values,
        use_cache=True
)
   logits = outputs.logits
   past_key_values = outputs.past_key_values
   logit_last_token = logits[:, -1, :]
```

# 1.1 Greedy Decoding

Here is how greedy decoding is implemented:

```
next_token = torch.argmax(logit_last_token, dim=-1)
```

That is, we are taking the token corresponding to the maximum probability (dim = -1 stores the probabilities across the vocabulary).

Here are some sample runs:

```
Example: 1/50
```

Reference: an appearance is a bunch of attributes related to the service person like their shoes clothes tie jewellery hairstyle makeup watch cosmetics perfume etc

Ground Truth: service is the combination of many qualities for people such as their clothes shoes ties accessories makeup hairstyle cosmetics etc

Example: 10/50

Reference: send rama with the sage and send lakshmana too

Ground Truth: ram with the sage and lakshman also send

#### Here are the final score values:

BLEU: 0.31440443213296393 ROUGE-1: 0.3571874622955566 ROUGE-2: 0.13222295518311183 ROUGE-LCS: 0.27441622904852214

# 1.2 Random Sampling with Temperature Scaling

Here is how random sampling is implemented with temperature  $\tau$ :

```
next_token_logits = next_token_logits / self.tau
probs = torch.softmax(next_token_logits, dim=-1)
next_token = torch.multinomial(probs, num_samples=1)
```

#### **1.2.1** $\tau = 0.5$

#### Sample run:

Example: 11/50

Reference: but mangal pandeys brave deed was done through devotion to a high and noble principle

Ground Truth: parantu mangal pande ne yah saahsik kaarnama aeek unche aur shreshtha siddhant ke pratip sampan ke liye kiya

#### Scores:

BLEU: 0.2838258164852255 ROUGE-1: 0.28984430881105616 ROUGE-2: 0.10543762417930613 ROUGE-LCS: 0.22789346051514345

#### **1.2.2** $\tau = 0.9$

#### Sample run:

Example: 23/50

Reference: indus valley civilisation is known for its technological knowledge in a variety of fields

Ground Truth: trickle of technology reach down to the people in the different regions of sindh ghat

#### Scores:

BLEU: 0.15806715806715804 ROUGE-1: 0.1595327517775904 ROUGE-2: 0.035088629933956283 ROUGE-LCS: 0.1170539764521488

### 1.3 Top-k Sampling

Here is how Top-k sampling is implemented by selecting the greatest k logits:

```
topk_logits, topk_indices = torch.topk(logit_last_token, self.k, dim=-1)
topk_probs = nn.functional.softmax(topk_logits, dim=-1)
next_token_idx = torch.multinomial(topk_probs, num_samples=1)
next_token = topk_indices.gather(-1, next_token_idx).squeeze(-1)
```

This method first selects the top-k logits (highest probabilities) from the vocabulary, normalizes them using softmax to form a probability distribution, and then samples the next token from this distribution.

#### 1.3.1 k = 5

Sample run:

Example: 9/50

Reference: each city in punjab has varied preferences like people in amritsar are particularly fond of amritsari kulche stuffed paranthas and milk products

Ground Truth: "every city of punjab is loved by everyone just like amritsar people are special amritsar kulche barvaan parathas and milk products"

#### Scores:

BLEU: 0.24757281553398058 ROUGE-1: 0.24637532114470517 ROUGE-2: 0.06982793622619132 ROUGE-LCS: 0.18258561511936278

#### **1.3.2** k = 10

Sample run:

Example: 4/50

Reference: ashoka started making extensive use of stone for sculptures and great monuments whereas the previous tradition consisted of working with wood and clay

Ground Truth: ashok started to create statues sculptures and spectacular monuments by using stones whereas the old traditional way is the use of wood and earth

#### Scores:

BLEU: 0.24899274778404515 ROUGE-1: 0.2583936169635166 ROUGE-2: 0.07972418861869043 ROUGE-LCS: 0.1984233891953222

### 1.4 Nucleus Sampling

Here is how nucleus sampling is implemented with a cumulative probability threshold *p*:

```
probs = torch.softmax(logits, dim=-1)
sorted_probs, sorted_indices = torch.sort(probs, descending=True)
cumulative_probs = torch.cumsum(sorted_probs, dim=-1)
boundary = torch.where(cumulative_probs > self.p)[1][0].item()
top_p_probs = sorted_probs[:, :boundary + 1]
top_p_probs /= top_p_probs.sum()
next_token = torch.multinomial(top_p_probs, num_samples=1)
```

This method first applies the softmax function to the logits to get the probabilities, sorts them in descending order, and then calculates the cumulative sum of the probabilities. It then selects the first token whose cumulative probability is greater than the threshold p and selects all tokens upto that boundary token.

#### **1.4.1** p = 0.5

Sample run:

Example: 15/50

Reference: professor asitkumar bandyopadhyay played a pioneering role in compiling the complete history of his hometown howrah titled as howrah saharer itibrrito (first and second volume) in 199

Ground Truth: professor asit kumar banerjee has performed a significant role in the history of the complete city of hauz khas in 1994 and 1995 by compiling the history of his entire

#### Scores:

BLEU: 0.2669039145907473 ROUGE-1: 0.24325259532449314 ROUGE-2: 0.08499330501121372 ROUGE-LCS: 0.19287504481615925

**1.4.2** p = 0.9

Sample run:

Example: 17/50

Reference: generations ofmaharaj and khansamas (as expert chefs have traditionally been called in india) have perfected the recipes over centuries and these recipes have passed through oral tradition over thousands of

Ground Truth: maharajs and khansamos (as if wellschooled jaiyalans are called in the tradition of bharat) have for years fed the tradition of these customs to their families and now these

#### Scores:

BLEU: 0.1981981981981982 ROUGE-1: 0.19201610044864978 ROUGE-2: 0.053556909531892384 ROUGE-LCS: 0.1457742819463726

# 2 Task 1: Word-Constrained Decoding

In this part, we maintain a trie data structure. We initialize the trie with the word\_list provided to us. We iterate over the word list, and for each token, generate the encoded list, and add them recursively to the trie. We do this for all the word list tokens.

Now, when we get some input token sequence, we traverse the generated tokens so far, on the trie (it will be empty in the start). Now, we only choose the indices which are present in this current trie (left after traversal). The probabilities corresponding to all other indices are set to 0 (except EOS).

Here are some sample runs:

Example: 1/50

#### completion:

Reference: an appearance is a bunch of attributes related to the service person like their shoes clothes tie jewellery hairstyle makeup watch cosmetics perfume etc Ground Truth: service related to the clothes shoes jewellery makeup cosmetics perfume etc

Example: 2/50

#### completion:

Reference: ajanta located in the aurangabad district of maharashtra has twentynine caitya and vihara caves decorated with sculptures and paintings from the first century bce

Ground Truth: maharashtra in aurangabad district has the ajanta the twentynine caves and the vihara of the first century bce and the fifth century ce sculptures and paint

#### Here are the scores:

BLEU: 0.49101737747273627 ROUGE-1: 0.5166686923449297 ROUGE-2: 0.30725054217548464 ROUGE-LCS: 0.46285263939458976

These scores, are better than all the other decoding techniques which were used in the previous task.

We have another update on this, since the vocabulary is limited, a lot of repetition is possible. To avoid this, we can maintain a count of all the words generated so far (i.e. how many times they are generated), and reduce the probabilities of words, which have occurred more (thus enabling diversity), here are the results with this:

BLEU: 0.51359177384347 ROUGE-1: 0.561631318210662 ROUGE-2: 0.32122076910829656 ROUGE-LCS: 0.4811779122080838