# **BERTPlay - A semantic similarity checking project**

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### **Abstract**

In this project, we build and experiment with different deep learning models to predict the semantic similarity between two sentences. From our experiments, we have observed that the transformer based BERT models outperformed the LSTM network and also trained faster. Moreover, the BERT models that were finetuned with a Bi-directional LSTM gave a much better performance than the BERT model that was not finetuned to the specific task of semantic similarity recognition. We have developed two games, SemanticSimilarityGame and ReadingComprehensionGame, both of which are fun to play and a good way to learn English language.

### Introduction

Semantic similarity checking is an important application, with usecases in the areas of language understanding, question answering and plagiarism detection. The reason we were drawn towards working on a semantic similarity based game was because it involved creating a novel way to learn language, and also provided us with an opportunity to tinker with various state of the art NLP models

# Methodology

Semantic similarity prediction task requires a deep understanding of the language, and hence, we require complex models which create word embeddings based on the context in which it is used. We explore two of the most successful architectures in NLP: BERT, and a LSTM and compare their performance.

The common dataset used to train all the models is: Stanford Natural Language Inference (SNLI). We have also experimented with a BERT-large pre-trained on SQuAD (Stanford Question Answering Dataset)

First, we clean the SNLI dataset and divide it into train, validation and test data that can be used in the different models that we are testing. For each of the BERT models, we first create a BERT tokenizer that basically encodes the given sentence with the pre-trained BERT embeddings and adds the CLS, SEP embeddings to distinguish between the Sentence1 and Sentence2. Then, we load and train just the output layer (Dense) with the train data. In case we are finetuning, we train the model end-to-end, including the BERT. The model obtained from the above steps is then tested.

LSTM model is trained in a similar way, by encoding using word2vec, and then training the LSTM model built for 20 epochs.

We have used tensorflow for the output layer models, huggingface transformers library for the BERT models, and numpy and pandas for data cleaning.

We have used the colab notebook by Mohammed Merchant:

https://colab.research.google.com/github/keras-team/keras-

<u>io/blob/master/examples/nlp/ipynb/semantic\_similarity\_with\_bert.ipynb#scrollTo=w60qwFa1dWE</u>
<u>B</u> as a reference while creating our BERT models.

We have used the github code:

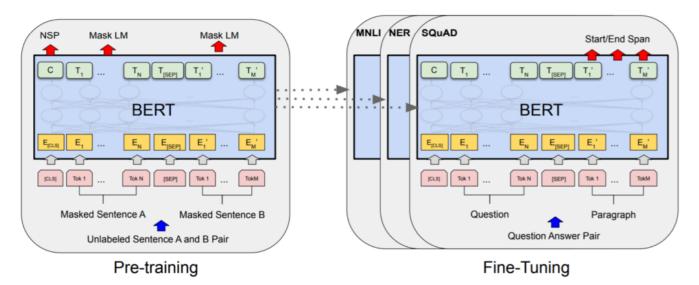
https://gist.github.com/namakemono/4e2a37375edf7a5e849b0a499897dcbe to build our LSTM network

We have also optimized our models using the best optimizing strategies to get excellent results.

### **About BERT**

BERT(Bidirectional Encoder Representations from Transformers) is a Transformer-based architecture used for Natural Language processing tasks. Prior to BERT, the state of the art NLP models used LSTM (Long Short Term Memory), which are a certain kind of recurrent neural networks that are slow and not completely bi-directional. This led to the invention of Transformers, that are relatively faster, and can accomodate context-aware word embeddings. BERT stacks a number of encoders to acheive excellent results in question answering, semantic similarity, text classification, etc.

### Architecture of BERT



BERT is an encoder stack of transformer architecture. BERT-base has 12 layers in the Encoder stack while BERT-large has 24 layers in the Encoder stack. Bert-base has 110M parameters, while Bert-large has 340M parameters.

BERT trains on two unsupervised tasks simultaneously. These tasks are the Masked Language Model (MLM) and Next Sentence Prediction (NSP). For MLM, It takes in a sentence with random words filled with masks, and the goal is to understand these masked tokens and assign corresponding words by understanding bidirectional context within a sentence.

In the case of NSP, BERT takes in two sentences and returns if the second sentence follows from thefirst in a manner similar to a binary classification. More specifically, the inputs are fed in the form of pretrained embeddings. The BERT paper combines token embeddings, segment embeddings and position embeddings which are combined and fed as the input. The segment and position embedding are required for temporal understanding, and all these vectors are fed in simultaneously. This helps BERT understand context and thus, using these two BERT understands language in a deeper sense.

# **BERT Finetuning**

Finetuning a BERT model is the task of training the pre-trained model of BERT with the specific problem in hand. This is generally done by training the output layer of our model separately (linear/LSTM), and adding it to BERT and re-training the entire network.

In this project, we have tried using Linear and LSTM as the output layer.

## Common Tasks (Run them before running any model)

## ▼ 1. Import the required libraries

```
!pip install transformers
import numpy as np
import pandas as pd
import tensorflow as tf
from transformers import BertForQuestionAnswering
from transformers import BertTokenizer
import transformers
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       Building wheel for sacremoses (setup.py) ... done
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     Successfully built sacremoses
     Installing collected packages: sacremoses, tokenizers, sentencepiece, transformers
     Successfully installed sacremoses-0.0.43 sentencepiece-0.1.91 tokenizers-0.9.3 transfor
```

#### 2. Download the SNLI dataset

```
In this step, we download the SNI I dataset, extract it into the train, validation and test csy files
max length = 128 # Maximum length of input sentence to the model.
batch size = 32
epochs = 2
# Labels in our dataset.
labels = ["contradiction", "entailment", "neutral"]
!curl -LO https://raw.githubusercontent.com/MohamadMerchant/SNLI/master/data.tar.gz
!tar -xvzf data.tar.gz
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     SNLI_Corpus/snli_1.0_train.csv
     SNLI Corpus/snli 1.0 test.csv
```

## ▼ 3. Load the datasets into pandas dataframes

```
train_df = pd.read_csv("SNLI_Corpus/snli_1.0_train.csv", nrows=100000)
valid df = pd.read csv("SNLI Corpus/snli 1.0 dev.csv")
test_df = pd.read_csv("SNLI_Corpus/snli 1.0 test.csv")
# Shape of the data
print(f"Total train samples : {train_df.shape[0]}")
print(f"Total validation samples: {valid df.shape[0]}")
print(f"Total test samples: {valid_df.shape[0]}")
print(f"Sentence1: {train df.loc[1, 'sentence1']}")
print(f"Sentence2: {train_df.loc[1, 'sentence2']}")
print(f"Similarity: {train df.loc[1, 'similarity']}")
     Total train samples: 100000
     Total validation samples: 10000
     Total test samples: 10000
     Sentence1: A person on a horse jumps over a broken down airplane.
     Sentence2: A person is at a diner, ordering an omelette.
     Similarity: contradiction
```

#### 4. Clean the data

```
print(train_df.isnull().sum())
train df.dropna(axis=0, inplace=True)
print("Train Target Distribution")
print(train df.similarity.value counts())
print("Validation Target Distribution")
print(valid_df.similarity.value_counts())
     Number of missing values
     similarity
                   0
     sentence1
     sentence2
                   3
     dtype: int64
     Train Target Distribution
     entailment
                      33384
     contradiction
                      33310
     neutral
                      33193
                        110
     Name: similarity, dtype: int64
     Validation Target Distribution
     entailment
                      3329
     contradiction
                      3278
     neutral
                      3235
                       158
     Name: similarity, dtype: int64
train df = (
    train df[train df.similarity != "-"]
    .sample(frac=1.0, random state=42)
    .reset_index(drop=True)
)
valid df = (
    valid df[valid df.similarity != "-"]
    .sample(frac=1.0, random state=42)
    .reset index(drop=True)
)
```

### ▼ 5. Create labels for the train, validation and test datasets

```
train_df["label"] = train_df["similarity"].apply(
    lambda x: 0 if x == "contradiction" else 1 if x == "entailment" else 2
)
y_train = tf.keras.utils.to_categorical(train_df.label, num_classes=3)

valid_df["label"] = valid_df["similarity"].apply(
    lambda x: 0 if x == "contradiction" else 1 if x == "entailment" else 2
)
y_val = tf.keras.utils.to_categorical(valid_df.label, num_classes=3)

test_df["label"] = test_df["similarity"].apply(
    lambda x: 0 if x == "contradiction" else 1 if x == "entailment" else 2
```

```
y test = tf.keras.utils.to categorical(test df.label, num classes=3)
```

## 6. Sentence similarity verification method

```
def is_similar(sentence1, sentence2, model, tokenizer):
   Takes a sentence1 and checks if sentence2 is symantically similar to sentence1.
    sent = [sentence1,sentence2]
   encoded = tokenizer([sent], return_tensors='pt',add_special_tokens=True,
            max length=max length,
            return_attention_mask=True,
            return_token_type_ids=True,
            pad_to_max_length=True,
            )
    input_ids = np.array(encoded["input_ids"], dtype="int32")
    attention_masks = np.array(encoded["attention_mask"], dtype="int32")
   token_type_ids = np.array(encoded["token_type_ids"], dtype="int32")
   x train = [input ids, attention masks, token type ids]
   # y_train = tf.keras.utils.to_categorical(train_df[0].label, num_classes=3)
   y pred = np.array(model.predict(x train))[0]
    print(y_pred)
   idx = np.argmax(y pred)
    sentiment_labels = ["contradiction", "entailment", "neutral"]
   print(idx)
   print(sentiment labels[idx])
   print(y_pred[idx])
```

# Model 1 : Plain BERT(small)

### ▼ 1. Create BERT tokenizer

# ▼ 2. Encode the train data using BERT tokenizer

```
max_length = 128
    x_train = train_df[["sentence1", "sentence2"]].values.astype("str")
    encoded = tokenizer(x_train[0:100000].tolist(), return_tensors='pt', add_special_tokens=True,
                max_length=max_length,
                return attention mask=True,
                return token type ids=True,
                pad_to_max_length=True,
    #Embedding and stuff
    input_ids = np.array(encoded["input_ids"], dtype="int32")
    attention masks = np.array(encoded["attention mask"], dtype="int32")
    token_type_ids = np.array(encoded["token_type_ids"], dtype="int32")
    x_train = [input_ids, attention_masks, token_type_ids]
    y train = tf.keras.utils.to categorical(train df[0:100000].label, num classes=3)
    # Encoded token ids from BERT tokenizer.
    input_ids = tf.keras.layers.Input(
        shape=(max length,), dtype=tf.int32, name="input ids"
    )
    # Attention masks indicates to the model which tokens should be attended to.
    attention masks = tf.keras.layers.Input(
        shape=(max_length,), dtype=tf.int32, name="attention_masks"
    # Token type ids are binary masks identifying different sequences in the model.
    token type ids = tf.keras.layers.Input(
        shape=(max length,), dtype=tf.int32, name="token type ids"
    )
    #Encode the validation set
    encoded valid = tokenizer(valid df[["sentence1", "sentence2"]].values.astype("str").tolist(),
            add_special_tokens=True,
            max length=max length,
            return_attention_mask=True,
            return_token_type_ids=True,
            pad to max length=True,
    input_ids_valid = np.array(encoded_valid["input_ids"], dtype="int32")
    attention_masks_valid = np.array(encoded_valid["attention_mask"], dtype="int32")
    token type ids valid = np.array(encoded valid["token type ids"], dtype="int32")
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```

```
x_valid = [input_ids_valid, attention_masks_valid, token_type_ids_valid]
y_valid = tf.keras.utils.to_categorical(valid_df.label, num_classes=3)
valid_data = x_valid,y_valid
```

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## → 3. Load the BERT pre-trained model

```
# Loading pretrained BERT model.
bert_model = transformers.TFBertModel.from_pretrained("bert-base-uncased")
# Freeze the BERT model to reuse the pretrained features without modifying them.
bert_model.trainable = False
sequence_output, pooled_output = bert_model(
  input_ids, attention_mask=attention_masks, token_type_ids=token_type_ids
)
sequence output = tf.keras.layers.Flatten()(sequence output)
output = tf.keras.layers.Dense(3, activation="softmax")(sequence_output)
model = tf.keras.models.Model(
    inputs=[input_ids, attention_masks, token_type_ids], outputs=output
)
model = tf.keras.models.Model(
    inputs=[input_ids, attention_masks, token_type_ids], outputs=output
)
model.compile(
    optimizer=tf.keras.optimizers.Adam(),
    loss="categorical crossentropy",
    metrics=["acc"],
)
model.summary()
```

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input_ids (InputLayer)	[(None, 128)]	0	=======================================
attention_masks (InputLayer)	[(None, 128)]	0	
token_type_ids (InputLayer)	[(None, 128)]	0	
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#### → 4. Train the model

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```
training_history = model.fit(x_train,y_train,validation_data=valid_data,epochs=2,batch_size=1
```

## ▼ 5. Save the model (Optional)

```
model.save_weights('BERT_Plain.h5')
```

## 6. Verify the model performance

```
is similar("Charlie went to the cycle shop on Sunday", "Charlie was resting at home on Sunday"
```

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FutureWarning,
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```

contradiction
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#### ▼ 7. Test the model

```
encoded = tokenizer(test df[["sentence1", "sentence2"]].values.astype("str").tolist(), return
       add_special_tokens=True,
       max length=max length,
       return attention mask=True,
       return_token_type_ids=True,
       pad_to_max_length=True,
       )
input_ids = np.array(encoded["input_ids"], dtype="int32")
attention_masks = np.array(encoded["attention_mask"], dtype="int32")
token_type_ids = np.array(encoded["token_type_ids"], dtype="int32")
x test = [input ids, attention masks, token type ids]
y_test = tf.keras.utils.to_categorical(test_df.label, num_classes=3)
model.evaluate(x_test,y_test, verbose=1)
    /usr/local/lib/python3.6/dist-packages/transformers/tokenization_utils_base.py:2022: Fu
      FutureWarning,
    [4.413364887237549, 0.6277999877929688]
```

### ▼ 8. Metrics

```
from sklearn import metrics
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt

y_pred = model.predict(x_test, verbose=1)

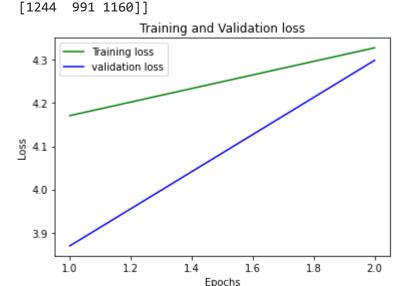
print("Confusion Matrix:\n")
print(metrics.confusion_matrix(np.argmax(y_test, axis=1), np.argmax(y_pred, axis=1)))

loss_train = training_history.history['loss']
loss_val = training_history.history['val_loss']
epochs = np.arange(1,3)
plt.plot(epochs, np.array(loss_train), 'g', label='Training loss')
plt.plot(epochs, np.array(loss_val), 'b', label='validation loss')
plt.title('Training and Validation loss')
plt.xlabel('Epochs')
```

```
plt.ylabel('Loss')
plt.legend()
plt.show()
```

```
313/313 [============] - 89s 284ms/step Confusion Matrix:

[[2414 612 211]
  [ 475 2704 189]
```



## → Model 2 : LSTM

## ▼ 1. Create word embeddings

#### ▼ 2. Create the model and run it

```
import numpy as np
import pandas as pd
from gensim.models import KeyedVectors
from keras.preprocessing.text import Tokenizer
from keras.preprocessing.sequence import pad_sequences
from keras.layers import Dense, Input, LSTM, Embedding, Dropout, Activation
from keras.layers.merge import concatenate
from keras.models import Model
from keras.layers.normalization import BatchNormalization
from keras.callbacks import EarlyStopping
from keras.utils import to categorical
EMBEDDING_FILE = 'GoogleNews-vectors-negative300.bin.gz'
TRAIN DATA FILE = "SNLI Corpus/snli 1.0 train.csv"
TEST_DATA_FILE = "SNLI_Corpus/snli_1.0_test.csv"
MAX SEQUENCE LENGTH = 30
MAX NB WORDS = 200000
EMBEDDING DIM = 300
VALIDATION SPLIT = 0.1
rate_drop_lstm = 0.15 + np.random.rand() * 0.25
rate drop dense = 0.15 + np.random.rand() * 0.25
def text to tokens(text):
    return text.lower()
def get label index mapping():
    return {"neutral": 0, "contradiction": 1, "entailment": 2, "-": 3}
def create embedding matrix(word index):
    nb words = min(MAX NB WORDS, len(word index))+1
    word2vec = KeyedVectors.load word2vec format(EMBEDDING FILE, binary=True)
    embedding_matrix = np.zeros((nb_words, EMBEDDING_DIM))
    for word, i in word index.items():
        if word in word2vec.vocab:
            embedding_matrix[i] = word2vec.word_vec(word)
    return embedding matrix
def load data():
    train df = pd.read csv(TRAIN DATA FILE, sep=",", usecols=["sentence1", "sentence2", "simi
    train_df.fillna("", inplace=True)
    sentence1 = train df["sentence1"].apply(text to tokens)
    sentence2 = train_df["sentence2"].apply(text_to_tokens)
    y = train df["similarity"].map(get label index mapping())
    tokenizer = Tokenizer(num_words=MAX_NB_WORDS)
    tokenizer.fit_on_texts(sentence1 + sentence2)
    sequences1 = tokenizer.texts to sequences(sentence1)
    sequences2 = tokenizer.texts_to_sequences(sentence2)
    X1 = pad sequences(sequences1, maxlen=MAX SEOUENCE LENGTH)
```

```
X2 = pad sequences(sequences2, maxlen=MAX SEQUENCE LENGTH)
    perm = np.random.permutation(len(X1))
              = int(len(X1)*(1-VALIDATION_SPLIT))
    num train
    train index = perm[:num train]
    valid_index = perm[num_train:]
    X1 train
             = X1[train index]
    X2_train = X2[train_index]
    y_train = y[train_index]
   X1 valid = X1[valid index]
    X2_valid = X2[valid_index]
    y valid = y[valid index]
    return (X1_train, X2_train, y_train), (X1_valid, X2_valid, y_valid), tokenizer
def StaticEmbedding(embedding_matrix):
    input_dim, output_dim = embedding_matrix.shape
    return Embedding(input dim,
            output dim,
            weights=[embedding_matrix],
            input_length=MAX_SEQUENCE_LENGTH,
            trainable=False)
def entail(feat1, feat2, num dense=300):
    x = concatenate([feat1, feat2])
    x = Dropout(rate_drop_dense)(x)
    x = BatchNormalization()(x)
   x = Dense(num dense, activation="relu")(x)
    x = Dropout(rate drop dense)(x)
    x = BatchNormalization()(x)
    return x
def build model(output dim, embedding matrix, num lstm=300):
    sequence1 input = Input(shape=(MAX SEQUENCE LENGTH,), dtype='int32')
    sequence2 input = Input(shape=(MAX SEQUENCE LENGTH,), dtype='int32')
    # Embedding
    embed = StaticEmbedding(embedding_matrix)
    embedded sequences1 = embed(sequence1 input)
    embedded sequences2 = embed(sequence2 input)
    # Encoding
    encode = LSTM(num_lstm, dropout=rate_drop_lstm, recurrent_dropout=rate_drop_lstm)
    feat1 = encode(embedded sequences1)
    feat2 = encode(embedded sequences2)
    x = entail(feat1, feat2)
    preds = Dense(output_dim, activation='softmax')(x)
    model = Model(inputs=[sequence1 input, sequence2 input], outputs=preds)
    return model
def run():
    num_class = len(get_label_index_mapping())
```

```
(X1_train, X2_train, y_train), (X1_valid, X2_valid, y_valid), tokenizer = load_data()
 Y train, Y valid = to categorical(y train, num class), to categorical(y valid, num class)
 embedding_matrix = create_embedding_matrix(tokenizer.word_index)
 model = build model(output dim=num class, embedding matrix=embedding matrix)
 model.compile(loss='categorical_crossentropy', optimizer='nadam', metrics=['acc'])
 early_stopping = EarlyStopping(monitor='val_loss', patience=10)
 hist = model.fit([X1 train, X2 train], Y train,
     validation_data=([X1_valid, X2_valid], Y_valid),
     epochs=20, batch size=2048, shuffle=True,
     callbacks=[early stopping])
if name == " main ":
 run()
  WARNING:tensorflow:Layer 1stm will not use cuDNN kernel since it doesn't meet the cuDNN
  Epoch 1/20
  Epoch 2/20
  Epoch 3/20
  Epoch 4/20
  Epoch 5/20
  Epoch 6/20
  Epoch 7/20
  Epoch 8/20
  Epoch 9/20
  Epoch 10/20
  Epoch 11/20
  242/242 [========================= ] - 89s 367ms/step - loss: 0.6501 - acc: 0.7312
  Epoch 12/20
  Epoch 13/20
  Epoch 14/20
  Epoch 15/20
  Epoch 16/20
  242/242 [==========================] - 89s 367ms/step - loss: 0.6191 - acc: 0.7460
  Epoch 17/20
  Epoch 18/20
  Epoch 19/20
  Epoch 20/20
```

# Model 3: BERT-large pre-trained on SQuAD

## ▼ 1. Create BERT-large tokenizer

```
tokenizer bl = BertTokenizer.from pretrained('bert-large-uncased-whole-word-masking-finetunec
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```

## 2. Encode the train data using BERT-large tokenizer

```
max_length = 128
    x_train = train_df[["sentence1", "sentence2"]].values.astype("str")
    encoded = tokenizer bl(x train[0:100000].tolist(), return tensors='pt', add special tokens=Tr
                max_length=max_length,
                return_attention_mask=True,
                return token type ids=True,
                pad_to_max_length=True,
    #Embedding and stuff
    input_ids = np.array(encoded["input_ids"], dtype="int32")
    attention masks = np.array(encoded["attention mask"], dtype="int32")
    token_type_ids = np.array(encoded["token_type_ids"], dtype="int32")
    x_train = [input_ids, attention_masks, token_type_ids]
    y train = tf.keras.utils.to categorical(train df[0:100000].label, num classes=3)
    # Encoded token ids from BERT tokenizer.
    input_ids = tf.keras.layers.Input(
        shape=(max length,), dtype=tf.int32, name="input ids"
    # Attention masks indicates to the model which tokens should be attended to.
    attention masks = tf.keras.layers.Input(
        shape=(max_length,), dtype=tf.int32, name="attention_masks"
    # Token type ids are binary masks identifying different sequences in the model.
    token type ids = tf.keras.layers.Input(
        shape=(max length,), dtype=tf.int32, name="token type ids"
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```

```
)
#Encode the validation set
encoded valid = tokenizer bl(valid df[["sentence1", "sentence2"]].values.astype("str").tolist
        add_special_tokens=True,
        max_length=max_length,
        return attention mask=True,
        return_token_type_ids=True,
        pad to max length=True,
input ids valid = np.array(encoded valid["input ids"], dtype="int32")
attention_masks_valid = np.array(encoded_valid["attention_mask"], dtype="int32")
token type ids valid = np.array(encoded valid["token type ids"], dtype="int32")
x_valid = [input_ids_valid, attention_masks_valid, token_type_ids_valid]
y valid = tf.keras.utils.to categorical(valid df.label, num classes=3)
valid_data = x_valid,y_valid
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```

### → 3. Load the BERT-large pre-trained model

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```
# Loading pretrained BERT model.
bert_model = transformers.TFBertModel.from_pretrained("bert-large-uncased-whole-word-masking-
# Freeze the BERT model to reuse the pretrained features without modifying them.
bert model.trainable = False
sequence_output, pooled_output = bert_model(
  input ids, attention mask=attention masks, token type ids=token type ids
)
# Add trainable layers on top of frozen layers to adapt the pretrained features on the new da
bi_lstm = tf.keras.layers.Bidirectional(
tf.keras.layers.LSTM(64, return sequences=True)
)(sequence_output)
# Applying hybrid pooling approach to bi 1stm sequence output.
avg_pool = tf.keras.layers.GlobalAveragePooling1D()(bi_lstm)
max pool = tf.keras.layers.GlobalMaxPooling1D()(bi lstm)
concat = tf.keras.layers.concatenate([avg_pool, max_pool])
dropout = tf.keras.layers.Dropout(0.3)(concat)
```

```
output = tf.keras.layers.Dense(3, activation="softmax")(dropout)

model_bl = tf.keras.models.Model(
    inputs=[input_ids, attention_masks, token_type_ids], outputs=output
)

model_bl.compile(
    optimizer=tf.keras.optimizers.Adam(),
    loss="categorical_crossentropy",
    metrics=["acc"],
)
model_bl.summary()
```

### → 4. Train the model

#### ▼ 5. Finetune the model

```
# Unfreeze the bert_model.
bert_model.trainable = True
# Recompile the model to make the change effective.
model_bl.compile(
    optimizer=tf.keras.optimizers.Adam(1e-5),
    loss="categorical_crossentropy",
    metrics=["accuracy"],
)
model_bl.summary()
```

finetuning\_history = model\_bl.fit(x\_train,y\_train, validation\_data=valid\_data, epochs=2,batch

Model: "functional 1"

Layer (type)	Output	Shape	Param #	Connected to
input_ids (InputLayer)	====== [(None,	128)]	0	=======================================
attention_masks (InputLayer)	[(None,	128)]	0	
token_type_ids (InputLayer)	[(None,	128)]	0	
tf_bert_model (TFBertModel)	((None,	128, 1024),	335141888	<pre>input_ids[0][0] attention_masks[0][0] token_type_ids[0][0]</pre>
bidirectional (Bidirectional)	(None,	128, 128)	557568	tf_bert_model[0][0]
global_average_pooling1d (Globa	(None,	128)	0	bidirectional[0][0]
global_max_pooling1d (GlobalMax	(None,	128)	0	bidirectional[0][0]
concatenate (Concatenate)	(None,	256)	0	<pre>global_average_pooling global_max_pooling1d[0</pre>
dropout_73 (Dropout)	(None,	256)	0	concatenate[0][0]

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dense (Dense)
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Non-trainable params: 0
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Epoch 2/2
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```

## ▶ 6. Save the model (Optional)

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## 7. Verify the model performance

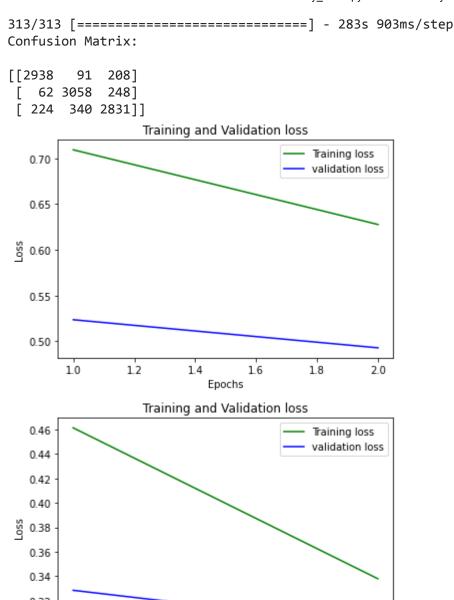
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```

### ▼ 8. Test the model

#### → 9. Metrics

```
from sklearn import metrics
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
y pred = model bl.predict(x test, verbose=1)
print("Confusion Matrix:\n")
print(metrics.confusion_matrix(np.argmax(y_test, axis=1), np.argmax(y_pred, axis=1)))
loss_train = training_history.history['loss']
loss val = training history.history['val loss']
epochs = np.arange(1,3)
plt.plot(epochs, np.array(loss_train), 'g', label='Training loss')
plt.plot(epochs, np.array(loss_val), 'b', label='validation loss')
plt.title('Training and Validation loss')
plt.xlabel('Epochs')
plt.ylabel('Loss')
plt.legend()
plt.show()
loss_train = finetuning_history.history['loss']
loss val = finetuning history.history['val loss']
epochs = np.arange(1,3)
plt.plot(epochs, np.array(loss_train), 'g', label='Training loss')
plt.plot(epochs, np.array(loss val), 'b', label='validation loss')
plt.title('Training and Validation loss')
plt.xlabel('Epochs')
plt.ylabel('Loss')
plt.legend()
plt.show()
```



Model 4 : Plain BERT(small) with Bi-Directional LSTM for finetuning

## ▼ 1. Create BERT tokenizer

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## ▼ 2. Encode the train data using BERT tokenizer

```
max length = 128
x_train = train_df[["sentence1", "sentence2"]].values.astype("str")
encoded = tokenizer(x_train[0:100000].tolist(), return_tensors='pt', add_special_tokens=True,
            max length=max length,
            return_attention_mask=True,
            return_token_type_ids=True,
            pad_to_max_length=True,
#Embedding and stuff
input ids = np.array(encoded["input ids"], dtype="int32")
attention_masks = np.array(encoded["attention_mask"], dtype="int32")
token_type_ids = np.array(encoded["token_type_ids"], dtype="int32")
x_train = [input_ids, attention_masks, token_type_ids]
y_train = tf.keras.utils.to_categorical(train_df[0:100000].label, num_classes=3)
# Encoded token ids from BERT tokenizer.
input ids = tf.keras.layers.Input(
    shape=(max length,), dtype=tf.int32, name="input ids"
)
# Attention masks indicates to the model which tokens should be attended to.
attention_masks = tf.keras.layers.Input(
    shape=(max_length,), dtype=tf.int32, name="attention_masks"
# Token type ids are binary masks identifying different sequences in the model.
token type ids = tf.keras.layers.Input(
    shape=(max_length,), dtype=tf.int32, name="token_type_ids"
)
#Encode the validation set
encoded_valid = tokenizer(valid_df[["sentence1", "sentence2"]].values.astype("str").tolist(),
        add_special_tokens=True,
        max length=max length,
        return_attention_mask=True,
        return token type ids=True,
        pad_to_max_length=True,
input_ids_valid = np.array(encoded_valid["input_ids"], dtype="int32")
attention masks valid = np.array(encoded valid["attention mask"], dtype="int32")
token_type_ids_valid = np.array(encoded_valid["token_type_ids"], dtype="int32")
```

```
x_valid = [input_ids_valid, attention_masks_valid, token_type_ids_valid]
y_valid = tf.keras.utils.to_categorical(valid_df.label, num_classes=3)

valid_data = x_valid,y_valid

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```

## 3. Load the BERT pre-trained model

```
# Loading pretrained BERT model.
bert model = transformers.TFBertModel.from pretrained("bert-base-uncased")
# Freeze the BERT model to reuse the pretrained features without modifying them.
bert model.trainable = False
sequence output, pooled output = bert model(
  input_ids, attention_mask=attention_masks, token_type_ids=token_type_ids
)
# Add trainable layers on top of frozen layers to adapt the pretrained features on the new da
bi lstm = tf.keras.layers.Bidirectional(
tf.keras.layers.LSTM(256, return sequences=True)
)(sequence output)
# Applying hybrid pooling approach to bi 1stm sequence output.
avg pool = tf.keras.layers.GlobalAveragePooling1D()(bi lstm)
max pool = tf.keras.layers.GlobalMaxPooling1D()(bi lstm)
concat = tf.keras.layers.concatenate([avg pool, max pool])
dropout = tf.keras.layers.Dropout(0.2)(concat)
output = tf.keras.layers.Dense(3, activation="softmax")(dropout)
model ft = tf.keras.models.Model(
    inputs=[input_ids, attention_masks, token_type_ids], outputs=output
)
model ft.compile(
    optimizer=tf.keras.optimizers.Adam(),
    loss="categorical_crossentropy",
    metrics=["acc"],
model ft.summary()
```

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Layer (type)	Output	Shape	Param #	Connected to
input_ids (InputLayer)	[(None	, 128)]	0	=============
attention_masks (InputLayer)	[(None	, 128)]	0	
token_type_ids (InputLayer)	[(None	, 128)]	0	
tf_bert_model_1 (TFBertModel)	((None	, 128, 768), (	109482240	<pre>input_ids[0][0] attention_masks[0][0] token_type_ids[0][0]</pre>
bidirectional_1 (Bidirectional)	(None,	128, 512)	2099200	tf_bert_model_1[0][0]
global_average_pooling1d_1 (Glo	(None,	512)	0	bidirectional_1[0][0]
<pre>global_max_pooling1d_1 (GlobalM</pre>	(None,	512)	0	bidirectional_1[0][0]
concatenate_1 (Concatenate)	(None,	1024)	0	<pre>global_average_pooling global_max_pooling1d_1</pre>
dropout_111 (Dropout)	(None,	1024)	0	concatenate_1[0][0]
dense_1 (Dense)	(None,	3)	3075	dropout_111[0][0]

Total params: 111,584,515
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### → 4. Train the model

#### ▼ 5. Finetune the model

```
# Unfreeze the bert_model.
bert_model.trainable = True
# Recompile the model to make the change effective.
model_ft.compile(
    optimizer=tf.keras.optimizers.Adam(1e-5),
    loss="categorical_crossentropy",
    metrics=["accuracy"],
)
model_ft.summary()
```

finetuning\_history = model\_ft.fit(x\_train,y\_train, validation\_data=valid\_data, epochs=2,batch

Model: "functional 3"

Layer (type)	Output	Shape	Param #	Connected to
input_ids (InputLayer)	[(None	<b>,</b> 128)]	0	==========
attention_masks (InputLayer)	[(None	, 128)]	0	
token_type_ids (InputLayer)	[(None	, 128)]	0	
tf_bert_model_1 (TFBertModel)	((None	, 128, 768), (	109482240	<pre>input_ids[0][0] attention_masks[0][0] token_type_ids[0][0]</pre>
bidirectional_1 (Bidirectional)	(None,	128, 512)	2099200	tf_bert_model_1[0][0]
global_average_pooling1d_1 (Glo	(None,	512)	0	bidirectional_1[0][0]
global_max_pooling1d_1 (GlobalM	(None,	512)	0	bidirectional_1[0][0]
concatenate_1 (Concatenate)	(None,	1024)	0	<pre>global_average_pooling global_max_pooling1d_1</pre>
dropout_111 (Dropout)	(None,	1024)	0	concatenate_1[0][0]
dense_1 (Dense)	(None,	3)	3075	dropout_111[0][0]

Total params: 111,584,515 Trainable params: 111,584,515 Non-trainable params: 0

Epoch 1/2

## → 6. Save the model (Optional)

```
model_ft.save_weights('BERT_Finetuned_Experiment1.h5')
```

## 7. Verify the model performance

is\_similar("Charlie went to the cycle shop on Sunday", "Charlie was resting at home on Sunday"

#### ▼ 8. Test the model

### → 9. Metrics

```
from sklearn import metrics
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt

y_pred = model_ft.predict(x_test, verbose=1)

print("Confusion Matrix:\n")
print(metrics.confusion_matrix(np.argmax(y_test, axis=1), np.argmax(y_pred, axis=1)))

loss_train = training_history.history['loss']
loss_val = training_history.history['val_loss']
epochs = np.arange(1,3)
plt.plot(epochs, np.array(loss train), 'g', label='Training loss')
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```

```
plt.plot(epochs, np.array(loss_val), 'b', label='validation loss')
plt.title('Training and Validation loss')
plt.xlabel('Epochs')
plt.ylabel('Loss')
plt.legend()
plt.show()
loss_train = finetuning_history.history['loss']
loss val = finetuning history.history['val loss']
epochs = np.arange(1,2)
plt.plot(epochs, np.array(loss_train), 'g', label='Training loss')
plt.plot(epochs, np.array(loss_val), 'b', label='validation loss')
plt.title('Training and Validation loss')
plt.xlabel('Epochs')
plt.ylabel('Loss')
plt.legend()
plt.show()
```

## Experiments

#### Experiment 1: Plain Bert(Small) without finetuning

- · Dense output layer
- · bert-base-uncased tokenizer
- 100000 training examples

Results:

After Training:

```
loss: 4.1711 - acc: 0.5355
val loss: 3.8692 - val acc: 0.6167
```

Test data:

```
loss: 4.4134 - acc: 0.6278
```

We can see that this model performs poorly.

#### **Experiment 2**: LSTM

- 20 epochs
- · word2vec for embeddings
- 300 layers in the dense network

Results:

#### After Training:

```
loss: 0.6009 - acc: 0.7548
val_loss: 0.5742 - val_acc: 0.7664
```

We can see that the training and validation sets give bad results.

#### Experiment 3: BERT-large pre-trained on SQuAD

- pre-trained on SQuAD
- 100000 training examples
- 64 node Bi-directional LSTM in output layer
- Dropout = 0.3

Results:

After Training:

```
Epoch 1:

loss: 0.7092 - acc: 0.6970

val_loss: 0.5043 - val_acc: 0.8027

Epoch 2:

loss: 0.6277 - acc: 0.7438

val_loss: 0.4929 - val_acc: 0.8092
```

#### After Finetuning:

```
Epoch 1:

loss: 0.4614 - accuracy: 0.8273

val_loss: 0.3286 - val_accuracy: 0.8795

Epoch 2:

loss: 0.3380 - accuracy: 0.8799

val_loss: 0.2995 - val_accuracy: 0.8916
```

#### Test data:

```
loss: 0.3264 - accuracy: 0.8827
```

#### Experiment 4: Plain Bert(Small) with Bi-directional LSTM for finetuning

- 128 nodes in output LSTM layer
- dropout: 0.35

Results:

After Training:

```
loss: 0.5971 - acc: 0.7559
val loss: 0.5043 - val acc: 0.8027
```

After Finetuning:

```
loss: 0.4692 - accuracy: 0.8173
val_loss: 0.3623 - val_accuracy: 0.8683
```

Test data:

```
loss: 0.3819 - accuracy: 0.8587
```

#### Experiment 5: Plain Bert(Small) with Bi-directional LSTM for finetuning

- 256 nodes in output LSTM layer
- Decreased dropout rate to 0.2

Results:

After Training:

```
Epoch 1:

loss: 0.6517 - acc: 0.7248

val_loss: 0.5049 - val_acc: 0.8002

Epoch 2:

loss: 0.5699 - acc: 0.7681

val_loss: 0.5088 - val_acc: 0.7995
```

#### After Finetuning:

```
Epoch 1:
loss: 0.4487 - accuracy: 0.8261
```

val\_loss: 0.3707 - val\_accuracy: 0.8625

Epoch 2:

loss: 0.3209 - accuracy: 0.8822

### Conclusion

From the above experiments, we observed that the Experiment 3: BERT-large pre-trained on SQuAD and finetuned with Bi-directional LSTM was performing the best, closely followed by Experiment 4 and 5 on Plain BERT(small) with Bidirectional LSTM for finetuning. From the training and validation set plots for these models, we could observe that the models are underfitting.

We have used the Model 4 in our two games (SemanticSimilarityGame.ipynb and ReadingComprehensionGame.ipynb), and achieved a great gameplay experience.

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