Sentence-level Sentiment Classification with PyTorch

Homework 5 for Deep Learning, Spring 2020

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1 Introduction

Stanford Sentiment Treebank (SST) is a dataset for sentiment classification. It contains 11855 sentences, and has been split into the training / validation / test parts, respectively containing 8,544 / 1,101 / 2,210 sentences. The test accuracy in this case will not be very high (about 50% is acceptable).

1.1 Data Format

Every line in SST: Label(Sentiment) + Data(Sentence) There are five kinds of annotations in label: 0-"very negative"; 1-"negative"; 2-"neutral" 3-"positive"; 4-"very positive". Digits in MNIST range from 0 to 9. Some examples are shown below.

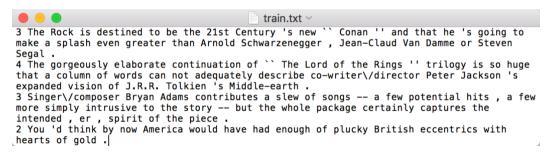


Figure 1: Examples of data in SST

1.2 Data Preprocessing

Torchtext is recommended for loading and preprocessing SST data. To install torchtext, you can use

- pip install torchtext

We provide some start codes for SST DataLoader, which are included in tips_code.py.

To learn more about Torchtext, you can read some documents about TorchText: <u>Torchtext Doc, SST Dataset Source Code</u>, and Another Code for Preprocessing SST

1.3 Introduction for Word Embedding

Word Embedding is used in our Dataloader code. The embedding layer is used to transform the word into a dense embedding vector. This embedding layer is simply a single fully connected layer. You can see torch.nn.Embedding for more details. The input is firstly passed through the embedding layer to get embedded, which gives us a dense vector representation of our sentences. Embedding is then fed into the RNN. For simplicity, we use pre-trained word embeddings. Codes for pre-trained embeddings are provided. You can also use other pre-trained embeddings in this task. Figure 2 shows the basic pipeline for sentiment classification.

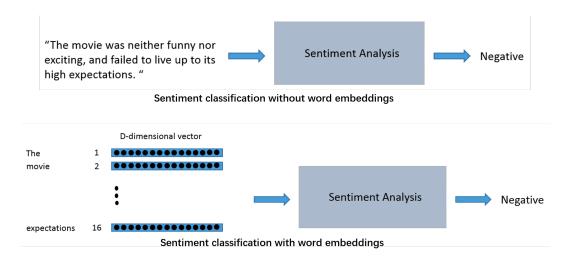


Figure 2: Basic process for sentiment classification

1.4 Introduction of RNN in PyTorch

RNN is a basic network for sequence processing. PyTorch provides many kinds of RNN such as RNN, LSTM and GRU. (https://pytorch.org/docs/stable/nn.html#recurrent-layers)

1.5 Example Architecture for Sentiment Classification

Here are two examples of network architecture: Figure 3 and Figure 4.

2 Requirements

You are required to perform Sentence-level Sentiment Classification with PyTorch. All parts of implementation depend on you (e.g. types of rnn, number of layers/units, loss, optimizer...). You are encouraged to use techniques such as bidirectional, dropout and attention, to improve the accuracy. **You need to submit all codes and a report** with the following requirements:

- Illustrate your network architecture with words and figures in your report.
- Show your best results in your report.
- Show your hyper-parameters. Plot the loss curve and accuracy curve in the report.

3 Attention

- You need to submit all codes and a report (at least one pages in PDF format). Delete the dataset before submit.
- Plagiarism (from the internet) is not permitted.

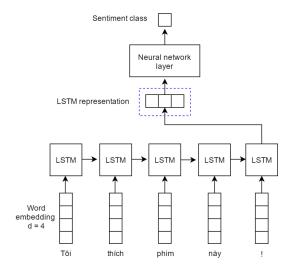


Figure 3: Model architecture example 1

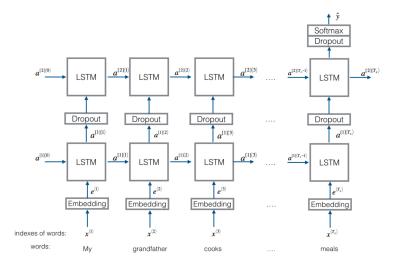


Figure 4: Model architecture example 2