Large Language Models

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NLP: Self-Supervised Models

https://self-supervised.cs.jhu.edu/sp2023/

[Slide credit: Chris Tanner, Jacob Devlin and many others ]
Logistics Update

● The midterm:
  ○ How was it?

● HW6 is out!
  ○ No Google-colabs anymore!
  ○ You can do it as a team (one submission per team).
  ○ Please start the programming portion early!
GPT2: Model Sizes

Play with it here: https://huggingface.co/gpt2

117M parameters
345M
762M
1542M
GPT-3: A Very Large Language Model (2020)

- More layers & parameters
- Bigger dataset
- Longer training
- Larger embedding/hidden dimension
- Larger context window
GPT3: Try it yourself!

https://beta.openai.com/playground
import openai

openai.api_key = "sk-3kFAtzisBype"

my_prompt = "The sun is [MASK]."

Replace [MASK] with the most probable 5 words to replace, and give me their probabilities.""

# Here set parameters as you like
response = openai.Completion.create(
    engine="text-davinci-002",
    prompt=my_prompt,
    temperature=0,
    max_tokens=100,
)

print(response['choices'][0]['text'])
GPT3: Try it yourself!

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<th>Model</th>
<th>Training</th>
<th>Usage</th>
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<td>Ada</td>
<td>$0.0004 / 1K tokens</td>
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Fine-tuned models

Create your own custom models by fine-tuning our base models with your training data. Once you fine-tune a model, you’ll be billed only for the tokens you use in requests to that model.

Learn more about fine-tuning ➤
Other Available [Decoder] LMs

EleutherAI: GPT-Neo (6.7B), GPT-J (6B), GPT-NeoX (20B)
https://huggingface.co/EleutherAI
https://6b.eleuther.ai/

Meta/Facebook: OPT (Open Pre-trained Transformer), various sizes up to 175B
https://huggingface.co/facebook/opt-125m

BLOOM, 176B model
https://huggingface.co/bigscience/bloom

LLaMA, 65B
https://github.com/facebookresearch/llama
In-context Learning

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[Slide credit: Iz Beltagy, Arman Cohan, Robert Logan IV, Sewon Min, Sameer Singh, and many others ]
The Phases of Paradigms

Word Vectors + Task Specific Architectures → Multi layer RNNs

Pre-trained transformers + Fine-tuning → What next?
“I have an extremely large collection of clean labeled data”

- No one
Limitations of Pre-training -> Fine-tuning

- Often you need a large labeled data
  - Though more pre-training can reduce the need for labeled data

- End up with many copies (or sub-copies) of the same model
In-context Learning

1. Translate English to French:
   - sea otter => loutre de mer
   - peppermint => menthe poivrée
   - plush giraffe => girafe peluche
   - cheese => ..................................
In-context Learning

Reverse words in a sentence

This is great
Great is this

The man on the moon
Moon the on man the

Will this really work
Work really this will

I hope this is a big achievement
Achievement big I hope this is

The king came home on a horse
Home horse king came the

https://gpt3experiments.substack.com/p/is-gpt-3-really-doing-few-shot-learning
In-context Learning

Context (passage and previous question/answer pairs)

Tom goes everywhere with Catherine Green, a 54-year-old secretary. He moves around her office at work and goes shopping with her. "Most people don't seem to mind Tom," says Catherine, who thinks he is wonderful. "He's my fourth child," she says. She may think of him and treat him that way as her son. He moves around buying his food, paying his health bills and his taxes, but in fact Tom is a dog.

Catherine and Tom live in Sweden, a country where everyone is expected to lead an orderly life according to rules laid down by the government, which also provides a high level of care for its people. This level of care costs money.

People in Sweden pay taxes on everything, so aren't surprised to find that owning a dog means more taxes. Some people are paying as much as 500 Swedish kronor in taxes a year for the right to keep their dog, which is spent by the government on dog hospitals and sometimes medical treatment for a dog that falls ill. However, most such treatment is expensive, so owners often decide to offer health and even life... for their dog.

In Sweden dog owners must pay for any damage their dog does. A Swedish Kennel Club official explains what this means: if your dog runs out on the road and gets hit by a passing car, you, as the owner, have to pay for any damage done to the car, even if your dog has been killed in the accident.

Q: How old is Catherine?
A: 54

Q: where does she live?
A:

Model answer: Stockholm
Turker answers: Sweden, Sweden, in Sweden, Sweden
GPT3: Try it yourself!

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In-Context (Few Shot) Prompting

- Popularized by GPT-3 (but predates that model)

- Perform a task based on a few examples provided in the inference time.

- The model identifies patterns in examples and replicates it
GPT-3: Language Models are Few-Shot Learners

Zero-shot
The model predicts the answer given only a natural language description of the task. No gradient updates are performed.

1. Translate English to French:
2. cheese =>

One-shot
In addition to the task description, the model sees a single example of the task. No gradient updates are performed.

1. Translate English to French:
   sea otter => loutre de mer
2. cheese =>

Few-shot
In addition to the task description, the model sees a few examples of the task. No gradient updates are performed.

1. Translate English to French:
   sea otter => loutre de mer
2. peppermint => menthe poivrée
3. plush giraffe => girafe peluche
4. cheese =>

**prompt matters**  **prompt does not matter (much)**
In-context learning results

Brown et al. 2020. “Language Models are Few-Shot Learners”

Robert woke up at 9:00am while Samuel woke up at 6:00am, so he had less time to get ready for school.  
Robert woke up at 9:00am while Samuel woke up at 6:00am, so he had more time to get ready for school.
In-context learning results

To separate egg whites from the yolk using a water bottle, you should...

a. **Squeeze** the water bottle and press it against the yolk. **Release**, which creates suction and lifts the yolk.

b. **Place** the water bottle and press it against the yolk. **Keep pushing**, which creates suction and lifts the yolk.

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**PhysicalQA**

- **Zero-Shot**
- **One-Shot**
- **Few-Shot (K=50)**

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**Brown et al. 2020.** “Language Models are Few-Shot Learners”
In-context learning results

- **Example:**
  - Q: What is 48 plus 76?
  - A: 124

- **Observations:**
  - Scale is important
  - Number of digits correlate with their difficulty.
  - Multiplication is harder than summation!

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Brown *et al.* 2020. “Language Models are Few-Shot Learners”
The Phases of Our Understanding

“Language modeling is a useful subtask for many NLP tasks”
– everyone, pre-2018

“Language modeling is a useful supertask for many NLP tasks”
– everyone, post-2018