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# **LM-LSTM-CRF Documentation**

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This project provides high-performance character-aware sequence labeling tools and tutorials. The implementation is based on the PyTorch library.

LM-LSTM-CRF achieves F1 score of 91.71 $\pm$ 0.10 on CoNLL03 NER task, without using any additional corpus.



## Submodules

### model.crf module

**class** `model.crf.CRFDecode_vb` (*tagset\_size, start\_tag, end\_tag, average\_batch=True*)

Bases: `object`

Batch-mode viterbi decode

#### Parameters

- **tagset\_size** – target\_set\_size
- **start\_tag** – ind for <start>
- **end\_tag** – ind for <pad>
- **average\_batch** – whether average the loss among batch

**decode** (*scores, mask*)

Find the optimal path with viterbe decode

#### Parameters

- **scores** (*size seq\_len, bat\_size, target\_size\_from, target\_size\_to*) – crf scores
- **mask** (*seq\_len, bat\_size*) – mask for padding

**Returns** decoded sequence (size seq\_len, bat\_size)

**class** `model.crf.CRFLoss_gd` (*tagset\_size, start\_tag, end\_tag, average\_batch=True*)

Bases: `torch.nn.modules.module.Module`

loss for greedy decode loss, i.e., although its for CRF Layer, we calculate the loss as

$$\sum_{j=1}^n \log(p(\hat{y}_{j+1}|z_{j+1}, \hat{y}_j))$$

instead of

$$\sum_{j=1}^n \log(\phi(\hat{y}_{j-1}, \hat{y}_j, \mathbf{z}_j)) - \log\left(\sum_{\mathbf{y}' \in \mathbf{Y}(\mathbf{Z})} \prod_{j=1}^n \phi(y'_{j-1}, y'_j, \mathbf{z}_j)\right)$$

#### Parameters

- **tagset\_size** – target\_set\_size
- **start\_tag** – ind for <start>
- **end\_tag** – ind for <pad>
- **average\_batch** – whether average the loss among batch

**forward** (*scores, target, current*)

#### Parameters

- **scores** (*Word\_Seq\_len, Batch\_size, target\_size\_from, target\_size\_to*) – crf scores
- **target** (*Word\_Seq\_len, Batch\_size*) – golden list
- **current** (*Word\_Seq\_len, Batch\_size*) – current state

**Returns** crf greedy loss

**class** `model.crf.CRFLoss_vb` (*tagset\_size, start\_tag, end\_tag, average\_batch=True*)

Bases: `torch.nn.modules.module.Module`

loss for viterbi decode

$$\sum_{j=1}^n \log(\phi(\hat{y}_{j-1}, \hat{y}_j, \mathbf{z}_j)) - \log\left(\sum_{\mathbf{y}' \in \mathbf{Y}(\mathbf{Z})} \prod_{j=1}^n \phi(y'_{j-1}, y'_j, \mathbf{z}_j)\right)$$

#### Parameters

- **tagset\_size** – target\_set\_size
- **start\_tag** – ind for <start>
- **end\_tag** – ind for <pad>
- **average\_batch** – whether average the loss among batch

**forward** (*scores, target, mask*)

#### Parameters

- **scores** (*seq\_len, bat\_size, target\_size\_from, target\_size\_to*) – crf scores
- **target** (*seq\_len, bat\_size, 1*) – golden state
- **mask** (*size seq\_len, bat\_size*) – mask for padding

**Returns** loss



`class model.crf.CRFRepack (tagset_size, if_cuda)`

Bases: object

Packer for word level model

#### Parameters

- **tagset\_size** – target\_set\_size
- **if\_cuda** – whether use GPU

**convert\_for\_eval** (target)

convert target to original decoding

**Parameters** **target** – input labels used in training

**Returns** output labels used in test

**repack\_gd** (feature, target, current)

packer for greedy loss

#### Parameters

- **feature** (Seq\_len, Batch\_size) – input feature
- **target** (Seq\_len, Batch\_size) – output target
- **current** (Seq\_len, Batch\_size) – current state

**Returns** feature (Seq\_len, Batch\_size), target (Seq\_len \* Batch\_size), current (Seq\_len \* Batch\_size, 1, 1)

**repack\_vb** (feature, target, mask)

packer for viterbi loss

#### Parameters

- **feature** (Seq\_len, Batch\_size) – input feature
- **target** (Seq\_len, Batch\_size) – output target
- **mask** (Seq\_len, Batch\_size) – padding mask

**Returns** feature (Seq\_len, Batch\_size), target (Seq\_len, Batch\_size), mask (Seq\_len, Batch\_size)

`class model.crf.CRFRepack_WC (tagset_size, if_cuda)`

Bases: object

Packer for model with char-level and word-level

#### Parameters

- **tagset\_size** – target\_set\_size
- **if\_cuda** – whether use GPU

**convert\_for\_eval** (target)

convert for eval

**Parameters** **target** – input labels used in training

**Returns** output labels used in test

**repack\_vb** (f\_f, f\_p, b\_f, b\_p, w\_f, target, mask, len\_b)

packer for viterbi loss

#### Parameters

- **f\_f** (*Char\_Seq\_len*, *Batch\_size*) – forward\_char input feature
- **f\_p** (*Word\_Seq\_len*, *Batch\_size*) – forward\_char input position
- **b\_f** (*Char\_Seq\_len*, *Batch\_size*) – backward\_char input feature
- **b\_p** (*Word\_Seq\_len*, *Batch\_size*) – backward\_char input position
- **w\_f** (*Word\_Seq\_len*, *Batch\_size*) – input word feature
- **target** (*Seq\_len*, *Batch\_size*) – output target
- **mask** (*Word\_Seq\_len*, *Batch\_size*) – padding mask
- **len\_b** (*Batch\_size*, 2) – length of instances in one batch

**Returns** f\_f (*Char\_Reduced\_Seq\_len*, *Batch\_size*), f\_p (*Word\_Reduced\_Seq\_len*, *Batch\_size*), b\_f (*Char\_Reduced\_Seq\_len*, *Batch\_size*), b\_p (*Word\_Reduced\_Seq\_len*, *Batch\_size*), w\_f (*Word\_Seq\_Len*, *Batch\_size*), target (*Reduced\_Seq\_len*, *Batch\_size*), mask (*Word\_Reduced\_Seq\_len*, *Batch\_size*)

**class** model.crf.**CRF\_L** (*hidden\_dim*, *tagset\_size*, *if\_bias=True*)

Bases: torch.nn.modules.module.Module

Conditional Random Field (CRF) layer. This version is used in Ma et al. 2016, has more parameters than CRF\_S

#### Parameters

- **hidden\_dim** – input dim size
- **tagset\_size** – target\_set\_size
- **if\_biase** – whether allow bias in linear trans

**forward** (*feats*)

**Parameters** **feats** (*batch\_size*, *seq\_len*, *hidden\_dim*) – input score from previous layers

**Returns** output from crf layer (*batch\_size*, *seq\_len*, *tag\_size*, *tag\_size*)

**rand\_init** ()

random initialization

**class** model.crf.**CRF\_S** (*hidden\_dim*, *tagset\_size*, *if\_bias=True*)

Bases: torch.nn.modules.module.Module

Conditional Random Field (CRF) layer. This version is used in Lample et al. 2016, has less parameters than CRF\_L.

#### Parameters

- **hidden\_dim** – input dim size
- **tagset\_size** – target\_set\_size
- **if\_biase** – whether allow bias in linear trans

**forward** (*feats*)

**Parameters** **feats** (*batch\_size*, *seq\_len*, *hidden\_dim*) – input score from previous layers

**Returns** output from crf layer ( (*batch\_size* \* *seq\_len*), *tag\_size*, *tag\_size*)

**rand\_init** ()

random initialization

## model.evaluator module

**class** `model.evaluator.eval_batch` (*packer, l\_map*)

Bases: `object`

Base class for evaluation, provide method to calculate f1 score and accuracy

### Parameters

- **packer** – provide method to convert target into original space [TODO: need to improve]
- **l\_map** – dictionary for labels

**acc\_score** ()

calculate accuracy score based on statics

**calc\_acc\_batch** (*decoded\_data, target\_data*)

update statics for accuracy

### Parameters

- **decoded\_data** (*batch\_size, seq\_len*) – prediction sequence
- **target\_data** (*batch\_size, seq\_len*) – ground-truth

**calc\_f1\_batch** (*decoded\_data, target\_data*)

update statics for f1 score

### Parameters

- **decoded\_data** (*batch\_size, seq\_len*) – prediction sequence
- **target\_data** (*batch\_size, seq\_len*) – ground-truth

**eval\_instance** (*best\_path, gold*)

update statics for one instance

### Parameters

- **best\_path** (*seq\_len*) – predicted
- **gold** (*seq\_len*) – ground-truth

**f1\_score** ()

calculate f1 score based on statics

**reset** ()

re-set all states

**class** `model.evaluator.eval_w` (*packer, l\_map, score\_type*)

Bases: `model.evaluator.eval_batch`

evaluation class for word level model (LSTM-CRF)

### Parameters

- **packer** – provide method to convert target into original space [TODO: need to improve]
- **l\_map** – dictionary for labels
- **score\_type** – use f1score with using ‘f’

**calc\_score** (*ner\_model, dataset\_loader*)

calculate score for pre-selected metrics

### Parameters

- **ner\_model** – LSTM-CRF model
- **dataset\_loader** – loader class for test set

**class** `model.evaluator.eval_wc` (*packer, l\_map, score\_type*)

Bases: `model.evaluator.eval_batch`

evaluation class for LM-LSTM-CRF

#### Parameters

- **packer** – provide method to convert target into original space [TODO: need to improve]
- **l\_map** – dictionary for labels
- **score\_type** – use f1 score with using ‘f’

**calc\_score** (*ner\_model, dataset\_loader*)

calculate score for pre-selected metrics

#### Parameters

- **ner\_model** – LM-LSTM-CRF model
- **dataset\_loader** – loader class for test set

## model.highway module

**class** `model.highway.hw` (*size, num\_layers=1, dropout\_ratio=0.5*)

Bases: `torch.nn.modules.module.Module`

Highway layers

#### Parameters

- **size** – input and output dimension
- **dropout\_ratio** – dropout ratio

**forward** (*x*)

update statics for f1 score

**Parameters** *x* (*ins\_num, hidden\_dim*) – input tensor

**Returns** output tensor (*ins\_num, hidden\_dim*)

**rand\_init** ()

random initialization

## model.lm\_lstm\_crf module

**class** `model.lm_lstm_crf.LM_LSTM_CRF` (*tagset\_size, char\_size, char\_dim, char\_hidden\_dim, char\_rnn\_layers, embedding\_dim, word\_hidden\_dim, word\_rnn\_layers, vocab\_size, dropout\_ratio, large\_CRF=True, if\_highway=False, in\_doc\_words=2, highway\_layers=1*)

Bases: `torch.nn.modules.module.Module`

LM\_LSTM\_CRF model

#### Parameters

- **tagset\_size** – size of label set
- **char\_size** – size of char dictionary
- **char\_dim** – size of char embedding
- **char\_hidden\_dim** – size of char-level lstm hidden dim
- **char\_rnn\_layers** – number of char-level lstm layers
- **embedding\_dim** – size of word embedding
- **word\_hidden\_dim** – size of word-level blstm hidden dim
- **word\_rnn\_layers** – number of word-level lstm layers
- **vocab\_size** – size of word dictionary
- **dropout\_ratio** – dropout ratio
- **large\_CRF** – use CRF\_L or not, refer model.crf.CRF\_L and model.crf.CRF\_S for more details
- **if\_highway** – use highway layers or not
- **in\_doc\_words** – number of words that occurred in the corpus (used for language model prediction)
- **highway\_layers** – number of highway layers

**forward** (*forw\_sentence, forw\_position, back\_sentence, back\_position, word\_seq, hidden=None*)

#### Parameters

- **forw\_sentence** (*char\_seq\_len, batch\_size*) – char-level representation of sentence
- **forw\_position** (*word\_seq\_len, batch\_size*) – position of blank space in char-level representation of sentence
- **back\_sentence** (*char\_seq\_len, batch\_size*) – char-level representation of sentence (inverse order)
- **back\_position** (*word\_seq\_len, batch\_size*) – position of blank space in inversed char-level representation of sentence
- **word\_seq** (*word\_seq\_len, batch\_size*) – word-level representation of sentence
- **hidden** – initial hidden state

**Returns** crf output (*word\_seq\_len, batch\_size, tag\_size, tag\_size*), hidden

**load\_pretrained\_word\_embedding** (*pre\_word\_embeddings*)

load pre-trained word embedding

**Parameters** **pre\_word\_embeddings** (*self.word\_size, self.word\_dim*) – pre-trained embedding

**rand\_init** (*init\_char\_embedding=True, init\_word\_embedding=False*)

random initialization

#### Parameters

- **init\_char\_embedding** – random initialize char embedding or not
- **init\_word\_embedding** – random initialize word embedding or not

**rand\_init\_embedding()**  
random initialize char-level embedding

**set\_batch\_seq\_size(sentence)**  
set batch size and sequence length

**set\_batch\_size(bsize)**  
set batch size

**word\_pre\_train\_backward(sentence, position, hidden=None)**  
output of backward language model

#### Parameters

- **sentence** (*char\_seq\_len, batch\_size*) – char-level representation of sentence (inverse order)
- **position** (*word\_seq\_len, batch\_size*) – position of blank space in inversed char-level representation of sentence
- **hidden** – initial hidden state

**Returns** language model output (*word\_seq\_len, in\_doc\_word*), hidden

**word\_pre\_train\_forward(sentence, position, hidden=None)**  
output of forward language model

#### Parameters

- **sentence** (*char\_seq\_len, batch\_size*) – char-level representation of sentence
- **position** (*word\_seq\_len, batch\_size*) – position of blank space in char-level representation of sentence
- **hidden** – initial hidden state

**Returns** language model output (*word\_seq\_len, in\_doc\_word*), hidden

## model.lstm\_crf module

**class** `model.lstm_crf.LSTM_CRF` (*vocab\_size, tagset\_size, embedding\_dim, hidden\_dim, rnn\_layers, dropout\_ratio, large\_CRF=True*)

Bases: `torch.nn.modules.module.Module`

LSTM\_CRF model

#### Parameters

- **vocab\_size** – size of word dictionary
- **tagset\_size** – size of label set
- **embedding\_dim** – size of word embedding
- **hidden\_dim** – size of word-level lstm hidden dim
- **rnn\_layers** – number of word-level lstm layers
- **dropout\_ratio** – dropout ratio
- **large\_CRF** – use CRF\_L or not, refer `model.crf.CRF_L` and `model.crf.CRF_S` for more details

**forward** (*sentence, hidden=None*)

**Parameters**

- **sentence** (*word\_seq\_len*, *batch\_size*) – word-level representation of sentence
- **hidden** – initial hidden state

**Returns** crf output (*word\_seq\_len*, *batch\_size*, *tag\_size*, *tag\_size*), *hidden*

**load\_pretrained\_embedding** (*pre\_embeddings*)  
load pre-trained word embedding

**Parameters** **pre\_word\_embeddings** (*self.word\_size*, *self.word\_dim*) – pre-trained embedding

**rand\_init** (*init\_embedding=False*)  
random initialization

**Parameters** **init\_embedding** – random initialize embedding or not

**rand\_init\_embedding** ()

**rand\_init\_hidden** ()  
random initialize hidden variable

**set\_batch\_seq\_size** (*sentence*)  
set batch size and sequence length

**set\_batch\_size** (*bsize*)  
set batch size

## model.ner\_dataset module

**class** `model.ner_dataset.CRFDataset` (*data\_tensor*, *label\_tensor*, *mask\_tensor*)  
Bases: `torch.utils.data.dataset.Dataset`

Dataset Class for word-level model

**Parameters**

- **data\_tensor** (*ins\_num*, *seq\_length*) – words
- **label\_tensor** (*ins\_num*, *seq\_length*) – labels
- **mask\_tensor** (*ins\_num*, *seq\_length*) – padding masks

**class** `model.ner_dataset.CRFDataset_WC` (*forw\_tensor*, *forw\_index*, *back\_tensor*, *back\_index*,  
*word\_tensor*, *label\_tensor*, *mask\_tensor*, *len\_tensor*)  
Bases: `torch.utils.data.dataset.Dataset`

Dataset Class for char-aware model

**Parameters**

- **forw\_tensor** (*ins\_num*, *seq\_length*) – forward chars
- **forw\_index** (*ins\_num*, *seq\_length*) – index of forward chars
- **back\_tensor** (*ins\_num*, *seq\_length*) – backward chars
- **back\_index** (*ins\_num*, *seq\_length*) – index of backward chars
- **word\_tensor** (*ins\_num*, *seq\_length*) – words
- **label\_tensor** (*ins\_num*, *seq\_length*) – labels:

- **mask\_tensor**(*ins\_num*, *seq\_length*) – padding masks
- **len\_tensor**(*ins\_num*, 2) – length of chars (dim0) and words (dim1)

## model.utils module

**model.utils.adjust\_learning\_rate**(*optimizer*, *lr*)  
shrink learning rate for pytorch

**model.utils.argmax**(*vec*)  
helper function to calculate argmax of input vector at dimension 1

**model.utils.calc\_threshold\_mean**(*features*)  
calculate the threshold for bucket by mean

**model.utils.concatChar**(*input\_lines*, *char\_dict*)  
concat char into string

### Parameters

- **input\_lines**(*list of list of char*) – input corpus
- **char\_dict**(*dictionary*) – char-level dictionary

**Returns** *forw\_lines*

**model.utils.construct\_bucket\_gd**(*input\_features*, *input\_labels*, *thresholds*, *pad\_feature*,  
*pad\_label*)  
Construct bucket by thresholds for greedy decode, word-level only

**model.utils.construct\_bucket\_mean\_gd**(*input\_features*, *input\_label*, *word\_dict*, *label\_dict*)  
Construct bucket by mean for greedy decode, word-level only

**model.utils.construct\_bucket\_mean\_vb**(*input\_features*, *input\_label*, *word\_dict*, *label\_dict*, *caseless*)  
Construct bucket by mean for viterbi decode, word-level only

**model.utils.construct\_bucket\_mean\_vb\_wc**(*word\_features*, *input\_label*, *label\_dict*, *char\_dict*,  
*word\_dict*, *caseless*)  
Construct bucket by mean for viterbi decode, word-level and char-level

**model.utils.construct\_bucket\_vb**(*input\_features*, *input\_labels*, *thresholds*, *pad\_feature*,  
*pad\_label*, *label\_size*)  
Construct bucket by thresholds for viterbi decode, word-level only

**model.utils.construct\_bucket\_vb\_wc**(*word\_features*, *forw\_features*, *fea\_len*, *input\_labels*,  
*thresholds*, *pad\_word\_feature*, *pad\_char\_feature*,  
*pad\_label*, *label\_size*)  
Construct bucket by thresholds for viterbi decode, word-level and char-level

**model.utils.encode**(*input\_lines*, *word\_dict*)  
encode list of strings into word-level representation

**model.utils.encode2Tensor**(*input\_lines*, *word\_dict*, *unk*)  
encode list of strings into word-level representation (tensor) with unk

**model.utils.encode2char\_safe**(*input\_lines*, *char\_dict*)  
get char representation of lines

### Parameters

- **input\_lines**(*list of strings*) – input corpus



- **char\_dict** (*dictionary*) – char-level dictionary

**Returns** forw\_lines

`model.utils.encode_corpus (lines, f_map, l_map, if_lower=False)`  
 encode corpus into features and labels

`model.utils.encode_corpus_c (lines, f_map, l_map, c_map)`  
 encode corpus into features (both word-level and char-level) and labels

`model.utils.encode_safe (input_lines, word_dict, unk)`  
 encode list of strings into word-level representation with unk

`model.utils.fill_y (nc, yidx)`  
 fill y to dense matrix

`model.utils.find_length_from_feats (feats, feat_to_ix)`  
 find length of unpadded features based on feature

`model.utils.find_length_from_labels (labels, label_to_ix)`  
 find length of unpadded features based on labels

`model.utils.generate_corpus (lines, if_shrink_feature=False, thresholds=1)`  
 generate label, feature, word dictionary and label dictionary

#### Parameters

- **lines** – corpus
- **if\_shrink\_feature** – whether shrink word-dictionary
- **threshold** – threshold for shrinking word-dictionary

`model.utils.generate_corpus_char (lines, if_shrink_c_feature=False, c_thresholds=1, if_shrink_w_feature=False, w_thresholds=1)`  
 generate label, feature, word dictionary, char dictionary and label dictionary

#### Parameters

- **lines** – corpus
- **if\_shrink\_c\_feature** – whether shrink char-dictionary
- **c\_threshold** – threshold for shrinking char-dictionary
- **if\_shrink\_w\_feature** – whether shrink word-dictionary
- **w\_threshold** – threshold for shrinking word-dictionary

`model.utils.init_embedding (input_embedding)`  
 Initialize embedding

`model.utils.init_linear (input_linear)`  
 Initialize linear transformation

`model.utils.init_lstm (input_lstm)`  
 Initialize lstm

`model.utils.iob_to_spans (sequence, lut, strict_iob2=False)`  
 convert to iob to span

`model.utils.iobes_to_spans (sequence, lut, strict_iob2=False)`  
 convert to iobes to span

`model.utils.load_embedding (emb_file, delimiter, feature_map, caseless, unk, shrink_to_train=False)`  
 load embedding

`model.utils.load_embedding_wlm(emb_file, delimiter, feature_map, full_feature_set, caseless, unk, emb_len, shrink_to_train=False, shrink_to_corpus=False)`  
load embedding, indoc words would be listed before outdoc words

**Parameters**

- **emb\_file** – path to embedding file
- **delimiter** – delimiter of lines
- **feature\_map** – word dictionary
- **full\_feature\_set** – all words in the corpus
- **caseless** – convert into casesless style
- **unk** – string for unknown token
- **emb\_len** – dimension of embedding vectors
- **shrink\_to\_train** – whether to shrink out-of-training set or not
- **shrink\_to\_corpus** – whether to shrink out-of-corpus or not

`model.utils.log_sum_exp(vec, m_size)`  
calculate log of exp sum

**Parameters**

- **vec** (*batch\_size, vanishing\_dim, hidden\_dim*) – input tensor
- **m\_size** – hidden\_dim

**Returns** *batch\_size, hidden\_dim*

`model.utils.read_corpus(lines)`  
convert corpus into features and labels

`model.utils.read_features(lines, multi_docs=True)`  
convert un-annotated corpus into features

`model.utils.revlut(lut)`

`model.utils.save_checkpoint(state, track_list, filename)`  
save checkpoint

`model.utils.shrink_embedding(feature_map, word_dict, word_embedding, caseless)`  
shrink embedding dictionary to in-doc words only

`model.utils.shrink_features(feature_map, features, thresholds)`  
filter un-common features by threshold

`model.utils.switch(vec1, vec2, mask)`  
switch function for pytorch

**Parameters**

- **vec1** (*any size*) – input tensor corresponding to 0
- **vec2** (*same to vec1*) – input tensor corresponding to 1
- **mask** (*same to vec1*) – input tensor, each element equals to 0/1

**Returns** *vec (\*)*

`model.utils.to_scalar(var)`  
change the first element of a tensor to scalar

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