

A step-by-step guide to create a simple chatbot in PyTorch trained

on your own text data, specifically for your computer courses info (fees, duration, syllabus). We'll keep it simple so you can easily expand later.

We'll use a **bag-of-words + simple feedforward neural network** approach, which works well for FAQs. Here's a structured guide:

For this chatbot, here's the list of Python packages you actually need to install, along with the commands:-

1. PyTorch

PyTorch is required for building and training the neural network.

```
pip install torch
```

Depending on your system, you might want the CPU-only version (simpler) or GPU version. For most beginners, CPU-only works fine.

2. NLTK

NLTK is used for tokenization and stemming.

```
pip install nltk
```

After installing, you also need to download the tokenizer data once:

```
import nltk
nltk.download('punkt')
```

3. NumPy

NumPy is used for array and vector operations.

```
pip install numpy
```

Summary

These are the only external packages you need:

```
pip install torch nltk numpy
```

Everything else, like `json`, `os`, etc., is built-in Python, so no installation is required. □

Prepare your data

Your chatbot will need data in a **question-answer format**. For example:

Save this in a file, e.g., `courses.json`.

`courses.json`:-

```
[
  {
    "question": "What is the fee for MS Office course?",
    "answer": "The MS Office course fee is 5,000 Rs."
  },
  {
    "question": "How long is the MS Office course?",
    "answer": "The MS Office course duration is 1 month."
  },
  {
    "question": "What is the fee for Tally with GST course?",
    "answer": "The Tally with GST course fee is 10,000 Rs."
  },
  {
    "question": "How long is the Tally with GST course?",
    "answer": "The Tally with GST course duration is 1 month."
  },
  {
    "question": "What is the fee for Full Stack Development course?",
    "answer": "The Full Stack Development course fee is 40,000 Rs."
  },
  {
    "question": "How long is the Full Stack Development course?",
    "answer": "The Full Stack Development course duration is 3 months."
  },
  {

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    "question": "What is the fee for Data Science course?",
    "answer": "The Data Science course fee is 60,000 Rs."
  },
  {
    "question": "How long is the Data Science course?",
    "answer": "The Data Science course duration is 3 months."
  },
  {
    "question": "What is the fee for Digital Marketing course?",
    "answer": "The Digital Marketing course fee is 30,000 Rs."
  },
  {
    "question": "How long is the Digital Marketing course?",
    "answer": "The Digital Marketing course duration is 3 months."
  },
  {
    "question": "How can I book a free demo?",
    "answer": "You can book a free demo by visiting ."
  }
]

```

Train_chatbot.py file code :-

```

import json
import torch
import torch.nn as nn
import torch.optim as optim
import numpy as np
from nltk.tokenize import word_tokenize
from nltk.stem.porter import PorterStemmer
import nltk

# Ensure required NLTK resources are downloaded
try:
    nltk.data.find('tokenizers/punkt')
except LookupError:
    nltk.download('punkt')

try:
    nltk.data.find('tokenizers/punkt_tab')
except LookupError:
    nltk.download('punkt_tab')

stemmer = PorterStemmer()

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# -----
# Load your FAQ data
# -----
with open('courses.json', 'r') as f:
    data = json.load(f)

# -----
# Preprocessing
# -----
def tokenize(sentence):
    return word_tokenize(sentence)

def stem(word):
    return stemmer.stem(word.lower())

all_words = []
xy = []

for item in data:
    question = item['question']
    answer = item['answer']
    w = tokenize(question)
    all_words.extend(w)
    xy.append((w, answer))

all_words = [stem(w) for w in all_words if w.isalnum()]
all_words = sorted(set(all_words))
answers = [item['answer'] for item in data]

def bag_of_words(tokenized_sentence, all_words):
    sentence_words = [stem(w) for w in tokenized_sentence]
    bag = np.zeros(len(all_words), dtype=np.float32)
    for idx, w in enumerate(all_words):
        if w in sentence_words:
            bag[idx] = 1
    return bag

X_train = []
y_train = []

for (pattern_sentence, answer) in xy:
    bag = bag_of_words(pattern_sentence, all_words)
    X_train.append(bag)
    y_train.append(answers.index(answer))

X_train = np.array(X_train)
y_train = np.array(y_train)

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# -----
# Define Model
# -----
class ChatDataset(nn.Module):
    def __init__(self, input_size, hidden_size, output_size):
        super(ChatDataset, self).__init__()
        self.fc1 = nn.Linear(input_size, hidden_size)
        self.relu = nn.ReLU()
        self.fc2 = nn.Linear(hidden_size, output_size)

    def forward(self, x):
        out = self.fc1(x)
        out = self.relu(out)
        out = self.fc2(out)
        return out

input_size = len(all_words)
hidden_size = 8
output_size = len(answers)

model = ChatDataset(input_size, hidden_size, output_size)

# -----
# Training
# -----
X_train_tensor = torch.from_numpy(X_train).float()
y_train_tensor = torch.from_numpy(y_train).long()

criterion = nn.CrossEntropyLoss()
optimizer = optim.Adam(model.parameters(), lr=0.001)

for epoch in range(1000):
    outputs = model(X_train_tensor)
    loss = criterion(outputs, y_train_tensor)

    optimizer.zero_grad()
    loss.backward()
    optimizer.step()

    if (epoch+1) % 100 == 0:
        print(f'Epoch [{epoch+1}/1000], Loss: {loss.item():.4f}')

# -----
# Save model and metadata
# -----
FILE = "course_chatbot.pth"
torch.save({

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    "model_state": model.state_dict(),
    "input_size": input_size,
    "hidden_size": hidden_size,
    "output_size": output_size,
    "all_words": all_words,
    "answers": answers
}, FILE)

print(f"Training complete. Model saved to {FILE}")

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(env) F:\python demo\aimodel>python train_chatbot.py
Epoch [100/1000], Loss: 2.0937
Epoch [200/1000], Loss: 1.5494
Epoch [300/1000], Loss: 1.0328
Epoch [400/1000], Loss: 0.6376
Epoch [500/1000], Loss: 0.3777
Epoch [600/1000], Loss: 0.2296
Epoch [700/1000], Loss: 0.1483
Epoch [800/1000], Loss: 0.1017
Epoch [900/1000], Loss: 0.0734
Epoch [1000/1000], Loss: 0.0551
Training complete. Model saved to course_chatbot.pth

```

chat_with_bot.py file code (for chat with trained model):-

```

import torch
import torch.nn as nn
from nltk.tokenize import word_tokenize
from nltk.stem.porter import PorterStemmer
import numpy as np

stemmer = PorterStemmer()

# -----
# Preprocessing functions
# -----
def tokenize(sentence):
    return word_tokenize(sentence)

def stem(word):
    return stemmer.stem(word.lower())

```

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def bag_of_words(tokenized_sentence, all_words):
    sentence_words = [stem(w) for w in tokenized_sentence]
    bag = np.zeros(len(all_words), dtype=np.float32)
    for idx, w in enumerate(all_words):
        if w in sentence_words:
            bag[idx] = 1
    return bag

# -----
# Load model and metadata
# -----
FILE = "course_chatbot.pth"
data = torch.load(FILE)

all_words = data["all_words"]
answers = data["answers"]
input_size = data["input_size"]
hidden_size = data["hidden_size"]
output_size = data["output_size"]

class ChatDataset(nn.Module):
    def __init__(self, input_size, hidden_size, output_size):
        super(ChatDataset, self).__init__()
        self.fc1 = nn.Linear(input_size, hidden_size)
        self.relu = nn.ReLU()
        self.fc2 = nn.Linear(hidden_size, output_size)

    def forward(self, x):
        out = self.fc1(x)
        out = self.relu(out)
        out = self.fc2(out)
        return out

model = ChatDataset(input_size, hidden_size, output_size)
model.load_state_dict(data["model_state"])
model.eval()

# -----
# Chat loop
# -----
print("Bot is ready! Type 'quit' to exit.")
while True:
    sentence = input("You: ")
    if sentence.lower() == "quit":
        break

X = bag_of_words(tokenize(sentence), all_words)

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X_tensor = torch.from_numpy(X).float()
output = model(X_tensor)
_, predicted = torch.max(output, dim=0)
answer = answers[predicted.item()]
print("Bot:", answer)
```

to run :-

```
python chat_with_bot.py
```

```
(env) F:\python demo\aimodel>python chat_with_bot.py
Bot is ready! Type 'quit' to exit.
You: book free demo
Bot: You can book a free demo by visiting
You: ms office course
Bot: The MS Office course duration is 1 month.
You: fees
Bot: The Tally with GST course fee is 10,000 Rs.
You: full stack course fees
Bot: The Full Stack Development course fee is 40,000 Rs.
You: data science course duration
Bot: The Data Science course fee is 60,000 Rs.
You:
```

Perfect! We can improve your chatbot so it **only answers when it's confident** about a response. Otherwise, it will say something like:

"I'm not sure about that. Please visit call 8149996597 for help."

This is done by **checking the softmax probability of the model's output**.

Here's a modified version of your chat loop with confidence checking chat_with_bot.py file code :-

```
import torch
import torch.nn as nn
from nltk.tokenize import word_tokenize
from nltk.stem.porter import PorterStemmer
import numpy as np

stemmer = PorterStemmer()

# -----
# Preprocessing functions
# -----
def tokenize(sentence):
    return word_tokenize(sentence)

def stem(word):
    return stemmer.stem(word.lower())

def bag_of_words(tokenized_sentence, all_words):
    sentence_words = [stem(w) for w in tokenized_sentence]
    bag = np.zeros(len(all_words), dtype=np.float32)
    for idx, w in enumerate(all_words):
        if w in sentence_words:
            bag[idx] = 1
    return bag

# -----
# Load model and metadata
# -----
FILE = "course_chatbot.pth"
data = torch.load(FILE)

all_words = data["all_words"]
answers = data["answers"]
input_size = data["input_size"]
hidden_size = data["hidden_size"]
output_size = data["output_size"]

class ChatDataset(nn.Module):
    def __init__(self, input_size, hidden_size, output_size):
        super(ChatDataset, self).__init__()
        self.fc1 = nn.Linear(input_size, hidden_size)
        self.relu = nn.ReLU()
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        self.fc2 = nn.Linear(hidden_size, output_size)

    def forward(self, x):
        out = self.fc1(x)
        out = self.relu(out)
        out = self.fc2(out)
        return out

model = ChatDataset(input_size, hidden_size, output_size)
model.load_state_dict(data["model_state"])
model.eval()

# -----
# Chat loop with confidence
# -----
print("Bot is ready! Type 'quit' to exit.")

while True:
    sentence = input("You: ")
    if sentence.lower() == "quit":
        break

    X = bag_of_words(tokenize(sentence), all_words)
    X_tensor = torch.from_numpy(X).float()
    output = model(X_tensor)

    # Apply softmax to get probabilities
    probabilities = torch.softmax(output, dim=0)
    confidence, predicted_index = torch.max(probabilities, dim=0)

    # Set a confidence threshold (e.g., 0.7)
    if confidence.item() > 0.7:
        answer = answers[predicted_index.item()]
    else:
        answer = "I'm not sure about that. Please or call 8149996597 for
help."

    print("Bot:", answer)

```

□ What this does

1. Converts the model output into **probabilities** with `softmax`.
2. Checks if the **highest probability** is above 0.7 (70% confidence).
3. If it's confident → returns the corresponding answer.
4. If not → returns a **default fallback message**.