Tools For Machine Learning An overview

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Typical Machine Learning System Life Cycle



Using the command line interface

- Instead of using Graphical interface, one often resort to command line interfaces when needed
 - Operating systems provide a set of tools that is more powerful than GUI tools
 - For development, CLI interfaces are easier to be programmed and maintained
- Shell language: POSIX compatible systems (Linux, MacOS, Linux, etc) include their own implementation of shell languages that are similar
- Cheat sheet: https://github.com/RehanSaeed/Bash-Cheat-Sheet
- Basic usage: command argument1 argument2
 - find . -type f
- Pipeline: command1 | command2 | command3...
 - pgrep -f "train.py" | xargs kill



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Find all pids for process matches keyword "train.py" and then kill them all:

pgrep -f "train.py" | xargs kill

(?) How about

Find . -type f -name '*.py' | xargs rm

(Don't try if you do not understand)

Intro to Python

Python programming language



- The current dominant programming language for machine learning
- Dynamically typed and garbage collected
- Advantage:
 - Usually used as a glue language for calling various libraries written in more "low level" language, e.g., C++.
 - Flexible and suitable for fast experimenting
 - Large community base
 - \circ $\$ Easy to install and manage packages via the built-in package manager, i.e., PIP

• Disadvantages

- Slow performance
- Currently, threads can not be executed on multiple cores in parallel: still more than 5 years to go to remove the global interpreter lock (GIL).
- Weak and optional typing system makes it prone to bugs easily avoidable by languages like C++.
- The official tutorial: <u>https://docs.python.org/3/tutorial/index.html</u>

Basic Python Code Structure





Python Control flows: if

https://docs.python.org/3.10/tutorial/controlflow.html

Python Control flows: for loop

```
>>> # Measure some strings:
... words = ['cat', 'window', 'defenestrate']
>>> for w in words:
... print(w, len(w))
...
cat 3
window 6
defenestrate 12
```

https://docs.python.org/3.10/tutorial/controlflow.html

Python Control flows: while loop

```
>>> # Fibonacci series:
... # the sum of two elements defines the next
... a, b = 0, 1
>>> while a < 10:
... print(a)
... a, b = b, a+b
...
0
1
1
2
3
5
8
```

https://docs.python.org/3.10/tutorial/introduction.html#first-steps -towards-programming

Python: built-in types

- Basic types: bool (True, False), int (0,1,2), float (3.5,4.6), complex (5+4j), string("hi")
- List: I = [1,2,3,4,5]:
 - len(l) # 5
 - **[[2]**
 - I.append(7)
 - I[:2]+ I[-2:] # [1,2,4,5]
- Set: s = ['apple', 'pear', 'orange']
 - len(s) #3
 - 'apple' in s # True
 - s.add('grape')
- Dict: d=['apple': 1, 'pear': 2, 'orange': 3]
 - d['pear'] # 2
 - o d['grape'] = 7 # ['apple': 1, 'pear': 2, 'orange': 3, 'grape':7]
- Other types: <u>https://docs.python.org/3/library/stdtypes.html</u>

Python: typing hint

Type annotations can be added to enable static type checker, (more types are in package typing).

```
type Vector = list[float]
def scale(scalar: float, vector: Vector) -> Vector:
    return [scalar * num for num in vector]
# passes type checking; a list of floats qualifies as a Vector.
new_vector = scale(2.0, [1.0, -4.2, 5.4])
```

No error when executed:



But with a static checker, e.g. mypy:



Resources for learning python

- The official tutorial:
 - <u>https://docs.python.org/3/tutorial/index.html</u>
- W3C learning by examples:
 - https://www.w3schools.com/python/
- Coursera python courses
 - <u>https://www.coursera.org/search?query=python&</u>
- The Hitchhiler's Guide to Python
 - https://docs.python-guide.org/
- Style Guide
 - PEP 8: https://peps.python.org/pep-0008/
 - GOOGLE: https://google.github.io/styleguide/pyguide.html

Development Environment

Package manager

- Linux/OSX package managers
 - Depending on specific linux distributions: APT/DPKG (Debian, Ubuntu, Mint), YUM/RPM(Redhat/Fedora), Pacman(Arch),
 Zypper(openSUSE), Portage (Gentoo)
 - Homebrew(MacOS)
- PIP
 - Python package management tool
 - Packages can be built into *wheels* and published on <u>https://pypi.org/</u> and then the package can be directly installed via
 - pip3 install packagename
 - See <u>https://packaging.python.org/en/latest/flow/</u> on how to package and distribute your python project.
- Anaconda
 - A proprietary package management tool that provides an easy-to-use integration of virtual environment and package management.
 - One can create several environment installed with different set of packages under different versions.
 - Not only for python packages
 - Can be used together with PIP in the conda virtual environment
 - Cheatsheet:

https://docs.conda.io/projects/conda/en/4.6.0/_downloads/52a95608c49671267e40c689e0bc00ca/conda-cheatsheet.pdf

When you need to install something, first try to install via your package manager.

Development environments

• VIM

- Simple, fast and reliable
- Available anywhere for linux based system
- Powerful plugin system
- High learning curve
- Visual studio code
 - Powerful plugin system
 - Integrated feature for performing development on a remote machine
 - Integrated version controlling

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2	import sys	
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4	import torch	
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Jupyter Notebook

- Web based Interactive notebook
- Good for simple experiments and documenting stuffs that require some coding example/ outputs from running.
- Run locally or remote from a server
- Frequently seen in code repos as the format of examples

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Version Control

- Keep track of changes of your codes
- A necessary for doing real programing
- A lot of options: **Git**/Mercurial/SVN
- Git: the most popular among individuals,
 - Good resource to learn
 - Tutorial videos: <u>https://git-scm.com/videos</u>
 - Visualized learning platform: https://learngitbranching.js.org/
 - Code hosting
 - github, bitbucket, gitlab, etc.

LLM based Tools

- E.g., ChatGPT/Copilot
- Example usage
 - Help with boring tasks
 - Generate Unit tests
 - Help write Commit Messages/ documents/Reports
- Use with caution
 - Fake information
 - Misunderstanding
 - Potential (?) plagiarism

You You

Can you generate a chirp signal with sampling rate Fs that spans T seconds using pytorch?

You

Show me how to use rync to synchronize my local folder with a remote folder

ChatGPT

Sure! **`rsync**` is a powerful command-line utility for synchronizing files and directories between two locations. To use **`rsync**` to synchronize your local folder with a remote folder, you typically use it with the **`ssh**` command for secure remote synchronization. Here's a basic example:



Python Package and Frameworks

Scientific computing libraries

Numpy: numerical computation library

Scipy: scientific computing library built on numpy, which covers python counterparts to Matlab functionalities: integration, optimization, fft, signal processing etc.

Scikit-learn: A (traditional) Machine learning library which allows you to perform non-deep-learning based regression, classification, etc.

Matplotlib/Seaborn: data visualization

You will get familiar with these tools throughout the progress of programming assignment

Deep learning frameworks

- What they are doing?
 - Numerical Algebra
 - automatic differentiation (aka. backpropagation)
 - Modules for implementing commonly used deep learning practices
- Current dominance in research: Pytorch



Paper Implementations grouped by framework

From: https://paperswithcode.com/trends

Popular Deep learning frameworks

- Pytorch (Meta/ Pytorch Foundation)
 - Dynamic Computational Graph
 - Largest amount of Machine Learning project code repos
 - Just-in-time compiler
 - TorchScript Language for higher performance and generic deployment
- JAX (Google)
 - Similar to Pytorch
 - Created by original authors of the opensource *Autograd* package for numpy, but this time it is sponsored and maintained by Google
 - Most advanced Automatic differentiation features (fast high-order derivatives, automatic vectorization based on function transforms)
 - Have better support on Google's TPU as a Google product
- Tensorflow (Google)
 - One of the early frameworks
 - Static computational graph: declare the whole computational process and then feed in the data
 - Current version supports both static and dynamic computational graph, e.g., GradientTape
 - Have better support on Google's TPU as a Google product
- MindSpore (Huawei)
 - More similar to tensorflow: support both static/dynamic computational graphs
 - Out of box training utilities, Automatic Parallelized Training

O PyTorch







MindSpore

Higher level training frameworks for DL frameworks

- Deep learning frameworks typically require you to write the actual logics for training, which typically include:
 - data loading, model initialization/restoration, looping over the dataset, backpropagating and updating the model at certain point, parallelization, and logging some metrics during training.
- Instead of writing training logics from scratch, one can use some frameworks that directly provides certain abstractions:
 - Pytorch Lightning for pytorch
 - Keras for tensorflow

Training Logging

- Keep track of any metrics (loss, accuracy, etc.) during training
- E.g. Tensorboard



https://www.tensorflow.org/tensorboard

Model Versioning

- Keep track of your codes together with trained models
- E.g., MLFlow

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https://towardsdatascience.com/mlflow-a-primer-6dfe6be48353

Model Deployment

- Generic Deployment: let your model run on different devices
 - **ONNX**: Open Neural Network Exchange
 - The open standard for representing the machine learning model
 - Can be exported from a variety of Deep learning frameworks
 - Generic tools for deployment, targeting e.g., mobile/DSP board/MicroController

CPU	GPU	IoT/Edge/Mobile	Other
Default CPU	NVIDIA CUDA	Intel OpenVINO	Rockchip NPU (preview)
Intel DNNL	NVIDIA TensorRT	ARM Compute Library (preview)	Xilinx Vitis-AI (preview)
TVM (preview)	DirectML	Android Neural Networks API	Huawei CANN (preview)
Intel OpenVINO	AMD MIGraphX	ARM-NN (preview)	AZURE (preview)
XNNPACK	Intel OpenVINO	CoreML (preview)	
	AMD ROCm	TVM (preview)	
	TVM (preview)	Qualcomm QNN	
		XNNPACK	

Summary of supported Execution Providers

Model deployment

- Model Serving: let you create API endpoints for calling your model from remote locations
 - TorchServe
 - TensorFlow serving
 - Huggingface
 - And others

curl http://127.0.0.1:8080/predictions/densenet161 -T kitten_small.jpg

Which will return the following JSON object