

Full Fine-Tuning of Stable Diffusion Model

1. Objective:

To fully fine-tune a Stable Diffusion model (e.g., v1.5) on a custom dataset using Google Colab. This approach trains the entire model, allowing it to adapt to new styles, characters, or visual domains, beyond just a single token embedding (as in Textual Inversion).

2. Requirements:

- Google Account with Colab (Pro recommended)
- Hugging Face account and token (with write access)
- Dataset of 50–500+ images (at least 512x512 resolution)
- Knowledge of Python, PyTorch, and Stable Diffusion basics
- Enough GPU VRAM (Colab T4 = 16GB, A100 = 40GB recommended)

3. Dataset Preparation:

1. Prepare a folder of training images (PNG or JPG format).
2. Optionally, prepare a `captions.txt` or individual `.txt` files per image.
3. Zip the dataset and upload to Colab or Google Drive.

4. Libraries to Install:

```
```python
!pip install diffusers transformers accelerate safetensors bitsandbytes datasets ftfy
```
```

5. Load Base Model:

```
```python
from diffusers import StableDiffusionPipeline

pretrained_model = "runwayml/stable-diffusion-v1-5"
pipeline = StableDiffusionPipeline.from_pretrained(pretrained_model,
torch_dtype=torch.float(16)
```
```

6. Training Script (with Trainer API or Custom Loop):

You can either use the `Trainer` API or a custom loop. The recommended method is to use Hugging Face `diffusers/examples/dreambooth/train_dreambooth.py` or `train_text_to_image.py`.

Steps:

1. Clone the diffusers GitHub repo:

```
```bash
!git clone https://github.com/huggingface/diffusers
cd diffusers
pip install -e.
```
```

2. Prepare your data in `/content/data/your_dataset`

3. Launch training:

```
```bash
!accelerate launch examples/text_to_image/train_text_to_image.py \
--pretrained_model_name_or_path="runwayml/stable-diffusion-v1-5" \
--train_data_dir="/data/your_dataset" \
--resolution=512 \
--output_dir="/output" \
--train_batch_size=2 \
--gradient_accumulation_steps=2 \
--learning_rate=5e-6 \
--max_train_steps=2000 \
--checkpointing_steps=500 \
--use_ema \
--mixed_precision="fp16" \
```
```

7. Inference After Training:

```
```python
from diffusers import StableDiffusionPipeline

pipe = StableDiffusionPipeline.from_pretrained("./output",
torch_dtype=torch.float16)
pipe.to("cuda")

prompt = "a futuristic building in cyberpunk city"
image = pipe(prompt).images[0]
image.save("output.png")
```
```

8. Upload to Hugging Face:

```
```python
from huggingface_hub import notebook_login
notebook_login()

from diffusers import StableDiffusionPipeline
pipe.push_to_hub("your-username/your-model-name")
```
```

9. Tips:

- Increase `max_train_steps` for higher quality
- Use regularization images for identity preservation (DreamBooth style)
- Monitor GPU usage and avoid OOM errors by adjusting batch size
- Save intermediate checkpoints for recovery