Panoptic Segmentation

Description

Panoptic Segmentation combines the two distinct vision tasks - semantic segmentation and instance segmentation. These tasks are unified such that, each pixel in the image is assigned the label of the class it belongs to, and also the instance identifier of the object it is a part of.

Environment setup

The code can be run on multiple GPUs or TPUs with different distribution strategies. See the TensorFlow distributed training guide for an overview of tf.distribute.

The code is compatible with TensorFlow 2.6+. See requirements.txt for all prerequisites.

```
$ git clone https://github.com/tensorflow/models.git
$ cd models
$ pip3 install -r official/requirements.txt
$ export PYTHONPATH=$ (pwd)
```

Preparing Dataset

```
$ ./official/vision/beta/data/process_coco_panoptic.sh <path-to-data-directory>
```

Launch Training

```
$ export MODEL DIR="gs://<path-to-model-directory>"
$ export TPU NAME="<tpu-name>"
$ export ANNOTATION FILE="gs://<path-to-coco-annotation-json>"
$ export TRAIN DATA="gs://<path-to-train-data>"
$ export EVAL DATA="gs://<path-to-eval-data>"
$ export OVERRIDES="task.validation data.input path=${EVAL DATA},\
task.train data.input path=${TRAIN DATA},\
task.annotation file=${ANNOTATION FILE},\
runtime.distribution_strategy=tpu"
$ python3 train.py \
 --experiment panoptic_fpn_coco \
 --config file configs/experiments/r50fpn 1x coco.yaml \
 --mode train \
 --model dir $MODEL DIR \
  --tpu $TPU NAME \
  --params override=$OVERRIDES
```

Launch Evaluation

```
$ export MODEL DIR="gs://<path-to-model-directory>"
$ export NUM GPUS="<number-of-gpus>"
$ export PRECISION="<floating-point-precision>"
$ export ANNOTATION FILE="gs://<path-to-coco-annotation-json>"
$ export TRAIN DATA="gs://<path-to-train-data>"
$ export EVAL_DATA="gs://<path-to-eval-data>"
$ export OVERRIDES="task.validation data.input path=${EVAL DATA}, \
task.train_data.input_path=${TRAIN_DATA}, \
task.annotation file=${ANNOTATION FILE}, \
runtime.distribution strategy=mirrored, \
runtime.mixed precision dtype=$PRECISION, \
runtime.num gpus=$NUM GPUS"
$ python3 train.py \
  --experiment panoptic fpn coco \
 --config file configs/experiments/r50fpn 1x coco.yaml \
  --mode eval \
  --model dir $MODEL DIR \
  --params_override=$OVERRIDES
```

Note: The <u>PanopticSegmentationGenerator</u> layer uses dynamic shapes and hence generating panoptic masks is not supported on Cloud TPUs. Running evaluation on Cloud TPUs is not supported for the same reason. However, training is supported on both Cloud TPUs and GPUs.

Pretrained Models

Panoptic FPN

Backbone	Schedule	Experiment name	Box mAP	Mask mAP	Overall PQ	Things PQ	Stuff PQ	Checkŗ
ResNet- 50	1x	panoptic_fpn_coco	38.19	34.25	39.14	45.42	29.65	
ResNet-	3x	panoptic_fpn_coco	40.64	36.29	40.91	47.68	30.69	

Note: Here 1x schedule refers to ~12 epochs

Citation

```
@misc{kirillov2019panoptic,
    title={Panoptic Feature Pyramid Networks},
    author={Alexander Kirillov and Ross Girshick and Kaiming He and Piotr Dollár},
    year={2019},
    eprint={1901.02446},
    archivePrefix={arXiv},
    primaryClass={cs.CV}
}
```