

Work with image

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Introduction

In the previous tutorials, we have learned how to work with one-dimensional data. In this tutorial, we are going to learn how to make a `dataloader` out of images.

Load a dataset

PyTorch has a built-in way to download and load some important datasets. This functionality is available with their `TorchVision` package. Let's download a minimal `Dataset` called `MNIST`. This dataset contains 0 to 9 handwritten numbers. To do so, we can use the code below:

```
from torchvision.datasets import MNIST

train_data = MNIST("data/", train=True, download=True)
test_data = MNIST("data/", train=False, download=True)
```

In the code above, we loaded `MNIST` in two subsets: `train` and `test`. The first argument is the path of the data that we want to load. In our case, we set that to `data/`. With the `train` argument, we can control whether we want to download `train` subset or `test` subset. When we set `download` to `True`, if the `data` is not available in the given path, it would download it. These subsets are the instances of `Dataset`. To make sure, we can check them with the code below:

```
print(isinstance(train_data, Dataset))
```

```
"""
-----
output:

True
```

```
"""
```

So, knowing this, we can do all the things with `Dataset` that we would do before. Let's now see the size of each dataset.

```
print(f"train_data's size: {len(train_data)}")
print(f"test_data's size: {len(test_data)}")
```

```
"""
```

```
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```

output:

train_data's size: 60000

test_data's size: 10000

```
"""
```

As you can see, we have 60000 data for training and 10000 data for testing. Now let's display one of the images.

```
from matplotlib import pyplot as plt
```

```
for image, label in train_data:
    plt.imshow(image, cmap="gray")
    print(label)
    break
```

```
"""
```

```
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```

output:

5

```
"""
```

In the code above, we have displayed one sample of MNIST with its label.

Transforms

As you recall, in the previous tutorials, we had created a `Dataset` like below:

```
class IRISDataset(Dataset):
    def __init__(self, data, target):
        super().__init__()
        self.data = data
        self.target = target

    def __len__(self):
        return len(self.data)
```

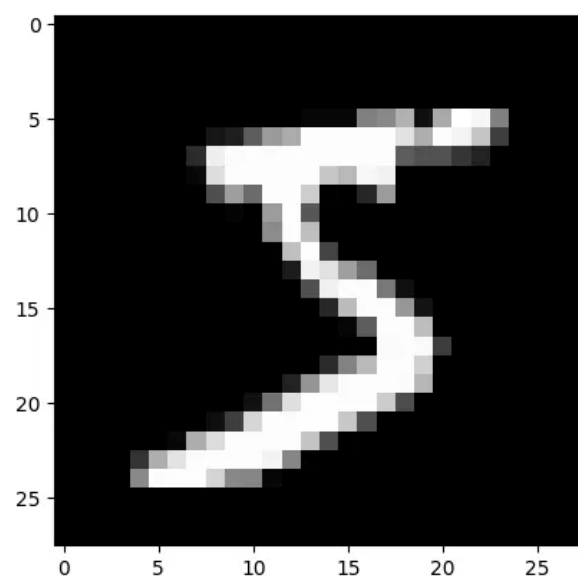


Figure 1: mnist sample

```
def __getitem__(self, idx):
    data = torch.tensor(self.data[idx]).to(torch.float)
    target = torch.tensor(self.target[idx])
    return data, target
```

In the `__getitem__` function, we were transforming our `data` and `target` to tensors to make them ready for our model. In PyTorch, it is a good practice to implement two more arguments for our `Dataset` called: `transform` and `target_transform`. `transform` is being used for transforming each sample of data, and `target_transform` is being used for transforming each target. In the code above, we have:

- `transform: torch.tensor(self.data[idx]).to(torch.float)`
- `target_transform: torch.tensor(self.target[idx])`

If we want to change our dataset to have these two arguments, we can do something like below:

```
class IRISDataset(Dataset):
    def __init__(self, data, target, transform=None,
        ↪ target_transform=None):
        super().__init__()
        self.data = data
        self.target = target

        if transform is None:
            transform = lambda x: torch.tensor(x).to(torch.float)

        if target_transform is None:
            target_transform = lambda x: torch.tensor(x)

        self.transform = transform
        self.target_transform = target_transform

    def __len__(self):
        return len(self.data)

    def __getitem__(self, idx):
        data = self.transform(self.data[idx])
        target = self.target_transform(self.target[idx])
        return data, target
```

As you can see, in the code above, we have defined `transform` and `target_transform` as arguments. If they were `None`, we would have defined them as they were, using `lambda` function. TorchVision has provided us with some built-in transforms for images. You can find all the transforms in

this link: [TorchVision Transforms](#) At first, we are going to use the `ToTensor` transform. This module transforms the `image` to `Tensor`. So, when we want to load our MNIST, we are going to add that as a transform.

```
from torchvision import transforms

train_data = MNIST("data/", train=True, download=True,
    ↪ transform=transforms.ToTensor())
test_data = MNIST("data/", train=False, download=True,
    ↪ transform=transforms.ToTensor())
```

Now, let's see if it's applied or not.

```
for image, label in train_data:
    print(type(image))
    break

"""
-----
output:

<class 'torch.Tensor'>
"""
```

As you can see, the type of our image is `Tensor`.

We can make a sequence of transforms using `transforms.Compose`. For example, let's first resize each image to `[14, 14]` (our current size is `[28, 28]`). Then, transform them into tensors.

```
transform_compose = transforms.Compose(
    [
        transforms.Resize([14, 14]),
        transforms.ToTensor()
    ]
)
```

Now, let's test it to see if it works or not.

```
# -----[ Before transform compose
    ↪ ]-----
for image, label in train_data:
    print(f"Before transform compose: {image.shape}")
    break

train_data = MNIST("data/", train=True, download=True,
    ↪ transform=transform_compose)
test_data = MNIST("data/", train=False, download=True,
    ↪ transform=transform_compose)
```

```

# -----[ After transform compose
↪ ]-----
for image, label in train_data:
    print(f"After transform compose: {image.shape}")
    break

"""
-----
output:

Before transform compose: torch.Size([1, 28, 28])
After transform compose: torch.Size([1, 14, 14])
"""

```

As you can see in the code above, it works as intended.

Train, validation, and test

We had 60000 data to train and 10000 data for testing. Now, let's make a validation subset as well. One of the ways to do that is to split `test_data` into two subsets.

```

g1 = torch.Generator().manual_seed(20)
val_data, test_data = random_split(test_data, [0.7, 0.3], g1)

print(f"val_data's size: {len(val_data)}")
print(f"test_data's size: {len(test_data)}")

"""
-----
output:
val_data's size: 7000
test_data's size: 3000
"""

```

In the code above, I have divided the `test_data` into `val_data` and `test_data`. So, 70% of the 10000 (10000×70) goes for validation, and the rest goes for testing. Now, let's make data loaders from them.

```

train_loader = DataLoader(train_data, batch_size=64,
↪ shuffle=True)
val_loader = DataLoader(val_data, batch_size=64, shuffle=False)
test_loader = DataLoader(test_data, batch_size=64, shuffle=False)

```

As you can see, we now have all 3 dataloaders which we needed to train our

model.

ImageFolder

One of the ways to load an image dataset is with `ImageFolder`. `ImageFolder` requires your data to be in this structure:

- `main_folder`
 - `class_1`
 - * `image_1`
 - * `image_2`
 - * ...
 - `class_2`
 - * `image_3`
 - * `image_4`
 - * ...
 - ...

As you can see, each class has its own directory and all its data is in that directory. Let's download a dataset from Kaggle with the name of Tom and Jerry in this link: [Tom and Jerry](#). We can use the code below to do that:

```
import kagglehub
from pathlib import Path

path = kagglehub.dataset_download('
↳ "balabaskar/tom-and-jerry-image-classification")
path = Path(path) / "tom_and_jerry/tom_and_jerry"
```

In the code above, I have downloaded the dataset using `kagglehub`, also I changed the path to the correct path to have the structure that we wanted. Now, let's see what classes we have:

```
for x in path.iterdir():
    print(x.name)

"""
-----
output:

tom
jerry
tom_jerry_1
tom_jerry_0
"""
```

As you can see, we have four classes:

- `tom`: when only Tom is in the picture

- jerry: when only Jerry is in the picture
- tom_jerry_1: when both of them are on the picture
- tom_jerry_0: when none of them are on the picture

Let's load this dataset using ImageFolder.

```
tom_and_jerry_transforms =
    ↪ transforms.Compose([transforms.Resize([90, 160]),
    ↪ transforms.ToTensor()])

all_data = ImageFolder(path, transform=tom_and_jerry_transforms)
```

In the code above, I have defined two transforms, one for resizing and one to transform each image into a tensor. Then, I loaded the data using ImageFolder. Now, let's display one of the images.

```
for image, label in all_data:
    plt.figure()
    plt.imshow(transforms.ToPILImage()(image))
    print(label)
    break

"""
-----
output:

0
"""
```

In the code above, I have displayed one image of our dataset. Images are currently in tensor format. To change them back to images, I used a transform called: ToPILImage(). Now, let's split them and make dataloaders:

```
g1 = torch.Generator().manual_seed(20)
train_data, val_data, test_data = random_split(all_data, [0.7,
    ↪ 0.2, 0.1], g1)

train_loader = DataLoader(train_data, batch_size=16,
    ↪ shuffle=True)
val_loader = DataLoader(val_data, batch_size=16, shuffle=False)
test_loader = DataLoader(test_data, batch_size=16, shuffle=False)
```

And here you have it, we have our 3 dataloaders that we can work with.

Conclusion

In this tutorial, we have learned how to load and prepare image datasets. First, we used the built-in modules in torchvision. Then, we explained transforms

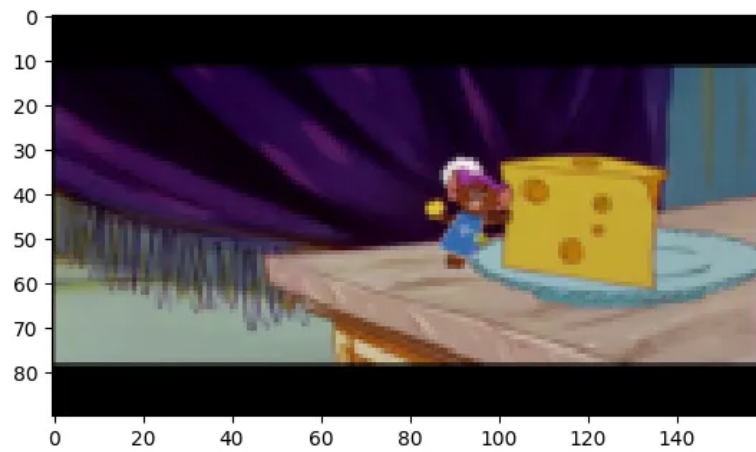


Figure 2: tom and jerry sample

to prepare our dataset. Finally, we have learned how to work with `ImageFolder`.