



# Wandb: Weights and Biases

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# Preliminaries

- Deep learning experiments can be hard to track
- Loss functions, metrics, hyperparameters, models - Combinatorially large
- Enter Wandb (Weights and Biases)
  - Experiment tracking and logging
  - Custom charts, data structures, export options
  - Sweeps
  - Convenient for both group based and individual projects

# Experiment tracking and logging - Init

(1)

```
def main(arg_list=None):
    args = parse_args(arg_list)
    logging.basicConfig(level=args.log_level, format=config.LOG_FORMAT)
    logger.info("Running evaluation with config: %s", config(args))
    wandb_logger.init(args)

    if args.use_cached:
        # No need to load backbone model when we're using cached features.
        model = None
    else:
        model = get_model(args.arch, checkpoint=args.checkpoint, dataset=args.dataset)

    # Compute additional tensors required for the evaluation.
    extra_tensors = get_extra_tensors(args, model)

    # Get test features
    if args.use_cached:
        # No need to create a test loader when we're using cached features
        test_loader = None
    else:
        test_dataset = get_dataset(args.dataset, split=args.eval_split)
        test_loader = DataLoader(
            test_dataset, batch_size=args.batch_size, num_workers=args.n_workers, shuffle=False, drop_last=False
        )
        features, labels = get_features(model, test_loader, args.cache_dir, args.use_cached, args.eval_split)

    start = time.time()
    metrics = evaluate(features, labels, args, extra_tensors)

    episode_time = (time.time() - start) / args.n_episodes
    logger.info("Evaluation finished. (round(episode_time, 4)) seconds/episode")
    wandb.summary["episode_time"] = episode_time

    metrics = helpers.dict_cat(metrics)
    log_metrics(metrics)
```

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```
config = config/templates/mini_resnet18.yml
dataset = mini
norm = support_vmfshot
classifier = simpleshot
arch = resnet18
checkpoint = tim/mini/softmax/resnet18/model_best.pth.tar
batch_size = 128
n_workers = 4
use_cached = True
cache_dir = tim/mini/softmax/resnet18
n_episodes = 500
episode_batch_size = 2000
n_shots = 1
n_ways = 5
n_queries = 15
eval_split = test
log_level = INFO
support_vmfshot:
    init = pca
    out_dims = 32
    initial_dims = None
    kappa = 2.0
    perplexity = 30.0
    re_norm = True
    eps = 1e-12
    p_sim = vmf
    p_rel_tol = 0.01
    p_obs_tol = None
    p_betas = (None, None)
    pca_mode = base
    n_iter = 50
    learning_rate = 0.1
    loss_vmf = 0.5
```



# Experiment tracking and logging - wandblogger (I)

```
import os
import wandb
import logging
import helpers

logger = logging.getLogger(__name__)

def get_experiment_id():
    try:
        eid = os.environ["EXPERIMENT_ID"]
    except KeyError:
        eid = wandb.util.generate_id()
        os.environ["EXPERIMENT_ID"] = eid
        logger.warning(f"Could not find EXPERIMENT_ID in environment variables. Using generated id '{eid}'.")
    return eid

class _WandBLogger:
    def __init__(self):
        # Below values will be set when 'init' is called.
        self.name = None
        self.args = None
        self.run = None

        # Constants from environment variables
        self.eid = None
        self.entity = os.environ["WANDB_ENTITY"]
        self.project = os.environ["WANDB_PROJECT"]
```

# Experiment tracking and logging - wandblogger (II)

```
self.project = os.environ["WANDB_PROJECT"]

self.accumulated_logs = {}

def init(self, args, job_type="evaluate", tags=None):
    self.eid = get_experiment_id()
    self.name = f"{args.dataset}-{args.arch}-{args.norm}-{args.classifier}-{self.eid}"

    if args.wandb_tags is not None:
        tags = (tags or []) + self._parse_tags(args.wandb_tags)

    cfg = args.to_dict()
    cfg.update(**helpers.versions())
    del cfg["wandb_tags"]

    init_kwargs = dict(
        name=self.name,
        job_type=job_type,
        config=cfg,
        entity=self.entity,
        project=self.project,
        tags=tags,
        reinit=True,
    )

    try:
        self.run = wandb.init(**init_kwargs)
    except wandb.errors.UsageError as err:
        logger.warning(f"Got error: '{str(err)}' when calling wandb.init. Attempting to init with "
```

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54         try:
55             self.run = wandb.init(**init_kwargs)
56         except wandb.errors.UsageError as err:
57             logger.warning(f"Got error: '{str(err)}' when calling wandb.init. Attempting to init with "
58                             f"'settings=wandb.Settings(start_method='fork')'")
59             self.run = wandb.init(settings=wandb.Settings(start_method="fork"), **init_kwargs)
60
61         return self.run
62
63     @staticmethod
64     def _parse_tags(tag_str):
65         # Assumes comma-delimited tags
66         tags = [tag.strip() for tag in tag_str.split(",")]
67         return tags
68
69     def accumulate(self, dct, global_step, local_step, max_local_steps):
70         total_step = (global_step * max_local_steps) + local_step
71         if total_step in self.accumulated_logs:
72             self.accumulated_logs[total_step].update(dct)
73         else:
74             self.accumulated_logs[total_step] = dct
75
76     def log_accumulated(self):
77         for step, logs in sorted(self.accumulated_logs.items(), key=lambda item: item[0]):
78             self.run.log(logs, step=step)
79
80 wandb_logger = _WandBLogger()
```

# Experiment tracking and logging - Eval

```
def main(arg_list=None):
    args = parse_args(arg_list)
    logging.basicConfig(level=args.log_level, format=config.LOG_FORMAT)
    logger.info(f"Running evaluation with config: {str(args)}")
    wandb_logger.init(args)

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    start = time.time()
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    episode_time = (time.time() - start) / args.n_episodes
    logger.info(f"Evaluation finished. {round(episode_time, 4)} seconds/episode")
    wandb.summary["episode_time"] = episode_time

    metrics = helpers.dict_cat(metrics)
    log_metrics(metrics)
```

```
for i in range(vmf.n_iter):
    loss = vmf.train_step(optimizer=opt)
    losses[i] = loss

    if i % log_interval == 0:
        # Log to WandB and console
        _loss = helpers.npy(loss)
        logger.debug(f"VMF-iter = {i} - Loss = {_loss}")
        if log_wandb:
            wandb_logger.accumulate({"loss.vmf": _loss}, global_step=global_step, local_step=i,
                                     max_local_steps=vmf.n_iter)

    if profiler is not None:
        profiler.step()
```

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# Experiment tracking and logging - Logging

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```
def log_metrics(metrics):
    # Log metrics (losses, etc) accumulated during evaluations
    wandb_logger.log_accumulated()

    # Log aggregated metrics
    for metric_name, values in metrics.items():
        wandb.summary.update(aggregate_metrics(metrics=values, name=metric_name))

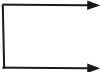
    # Log metric histogram
    data = np.stack(list(metrics.values()), axis=1)
    # Jitter the data a little to avoid duplicate values being filtered out by WandB
    data += np.random.normal(0, 1e-4, size=data.shape)
    # Create table and log histogram
    table = wandb.Table(data=data.tolist(), columns=list(metrics.keys()))
    for metric_name in metrics.keys():
        wandb.log({
            f"{metric_name}.histogram": wandb.plot.histogram(table, metric_name,
                                                             title=f"{metric_name.capitalize()} histogram")
        })
```



# Custom Charts and Data Structures

Wandb Tables

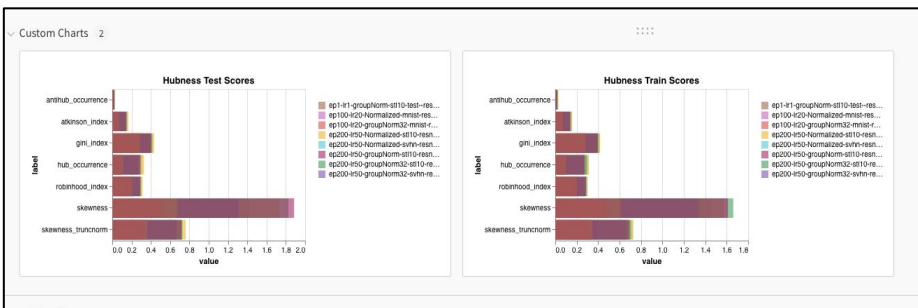
Wandb Plots



```
def log_metrics(metrics):  
    # Log metrics (losses, etc) accumulated during evaluations  
    wandb_logger.log_accumulated()  
  
    # Log aggregated metrics  
    for metric_name, values in metrics.items():  
        wandb.summary.update(aggregate_metrics(mtc=values, name=metric_name))  
  
    # Log metric histogram  
    data = np.stack(list(metrics.values()), axis=1)  
    # Jitter the data a little to avoid duplicate values being filtered out by WandB  
    data += np.random.normal(0, 1e-4, size=data.shape)  
    # Create table and log histogram  
    table = wandb.Table(data=data.tolist(), columns=list(metrics.keys()))  
    for metric_name in metrics.keys():  
        wandb.log({  
            f"{metric_name}.histogram": wandb.plot.histogram(table, metric_name,  
                                                             title=f"{metric_name.capitalize()} histogram")  
        })
```



# UI: Filtering and Tagging



Runs (103)

Filter Group 1<sup>st</sup> Sort Tag View Create Sweep

Name (103 visualized)	State	Notes	User	Tags	Created	Runtime	Sweep	feature_dim	hidden_dim	lr	max_epoch	num_class	temperatur
ep200-k50-Normalized-svhn-resnetlogger	finished	Add notes	korovie		8mo ago	1d 3h 51m	-	512	128	0.001	100	10	0.07
ep100-k50-Normalized-dt10-resnetlogger	finished	Add notes	korovie		8mo ago	1d 15h 31i	-	512	128	0.001	100	10	0.07
ep100-k50-Normalized-mnist-resnetlogger	finished	Add notes	korovie		8mo ago	4h 22m 5s	-	512	128	0.001	100	10	0.07
ep200-k50-groupNorm32-svhn-noAugment-resnetlogger	crashed	Add notes	korovie		8mo ago	4m 50s	-	128	0.0005	500	-	-	0.07
ep100-k50-groupNorm32-mnist-resnetlogger	crashed	Add notes	korovie		8mo ago	7m 55s	-	128	0.0005	500	-	-	0.07
ep200-k50-groupNorm32-svhn-noAugment-resnetlogger	failed	Add notes	korovie		8mo ago	7s	-	128	0.0005	500	-	-	0.07
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ep200-k50-groupNorm32-svhn-noAugment-resnetlogger	failed	Add notes	korovie		8mo ago	7s	-	128	0.0005	500	-	-	0.07
ep200-k50-groupNorm32-svhn-noAugment-resnetlogger	failed	Add notes	korovie		8mo ago	7s	-	128	0.0005	500	-	-	0.07
ep200-k50-groupNorm32-svhn-noAugment-resnetlogger	failed	Add notes	korovie		8mo ago	7s	-	128	0.0005	500	-	-	0.07
ep200-k50-groupNorm32-svhn-noAugment-resnetlogger	failed	Add notes	korovie		8mo ago	7s	-	128	0.0005	500	-	-	0.07
ep200-k50-groupNorm32-svhn-noAugment-resnetlogger	failed	Add notes	korovie		8mo ago	7s	-	128	0.0005	500	-	-	0.07
ep200-k50-groupNorm32-svhn-noAugment-resnetlogger	failed	Add notes	korovie		8mo ago	7s	-	128	0.0005	500	-	-	0.07
ep200-k50-groupNorm32-svhn-noAugment-resnetlogger	crashed	Add notes	korovie		8mo ago	3m 5s	-	128	0.0005	500	-	-	0.07
ep200-k50-groupNorm32-svhn-noAugment-resnetlogger	crashed	Add notes	korovie		8mo ago	4s	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
ep200-k50-groupNorm32-svhn-noAugment-resnetlogger	failed	Add notes	korovie		8mo ago	3m 28s	-	128	0.0005	500	-	-	0.07
ep200-k50-groupNorm32-svhn-noAugment-resnetlogger	crashed	Add notes	korovie		8mo ago	32m 39s	-	128	0.0005	500	-	-	0.07
ep200-k50-groupNorm32-svhn-noAugment-resnetlogger	crashed	Add notes	korovie		8mo ago	2m 31s	-	128	0.0005	500	-	-	0.07

# Sweeps

(1) Yml file for setting up a sweep

```
command:
- python
- evaluate.py
- "--config"
- "config/templates/mini_resnet18.yml"
- "--norm"
- "vmf"
- "--n_episodes"
- "500"
- "${args}"
method: grid

parameters:
  n_shots:
    values: [1, 5]

  vmf_out_dims:
    values: [2, 8, 32, 128]

  vmf_pca_mode:
    values: [base, episode]

  vmf_re_norm:
    values: [true, false]

  vmf_initial_dims:
    values: [50, None]

  vmf_p_sim:
    values: [vmf, rbf]

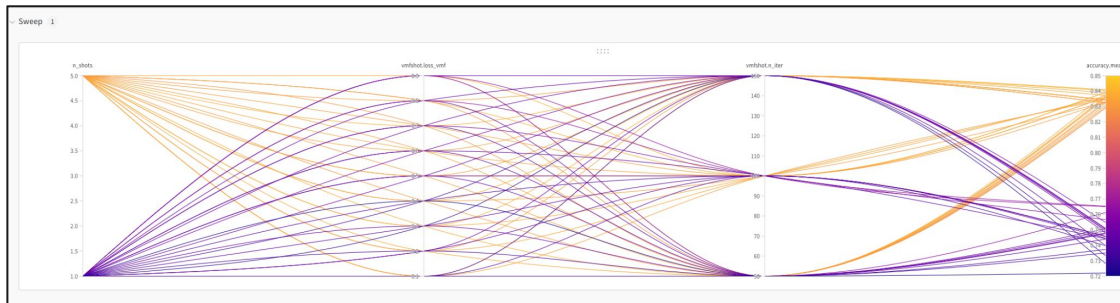
  vmf_kappa:
    values: [1, 2, 5]

  vmf_perplexity:
    values: [15, 30, 45]
```

(2) Running a sweep

```
(TIM) rch015@uit-mac-1037 few_shot_learning % wandb sweep -p hubness -e uitmlg sweep/tiered_s2m2_vmfshot.yml
wandb: Creating sweep from: sweep/tiered_s2m2_vmfshot.yml
wandb: Created sweep with ID: is13wt2w
wandb: View sweep at: https://wandb.ai/uitmlg/hubness/sweeps/is13wt2w
wandb: Run sweep agent with: wandb agent uitmlg/hubness/is13wt2w
```

(3) Visualising and filtering





## Things to consider

- Good to incorporate in everyday workflow.
- Slow. Very.
- Not the one stop solution: Neptune exists as an alternative.



# Thank You