Hyperparameter Tuning for Milvus via HOBO

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1 Introduction

For solving the optimization of milvus hyperparameters, we use the Bayesian Optimization and Hyperband(BOHB)[2] as our parameter search method.

2 Method

There are several level hyperparameters in milvus, including index-type, index-params and search-params. To get an end-to-end solution for index, we use BOHB in different level. For Index Type, to eminent the randomness of BO for index-type(which means BO may not fully explore some specific type due to init poor performance), we set two index type optimization mode(Loop and BO).

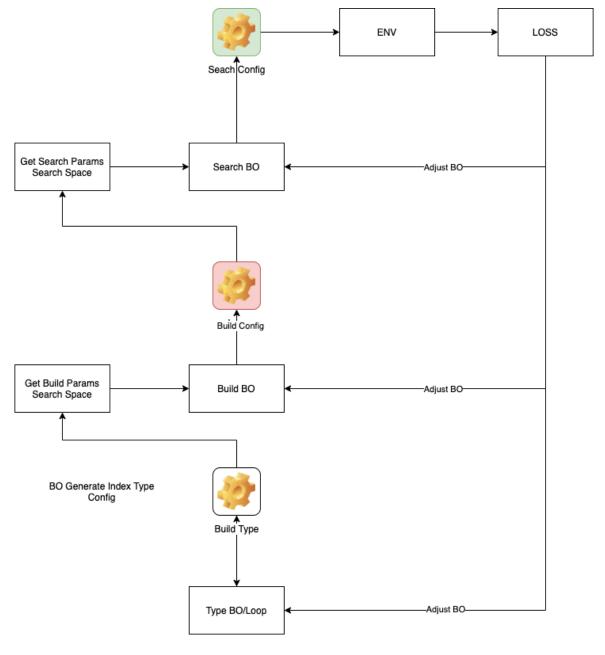


Figure 1: Flow Diagram

2.1 Loss Function

We use laplace method to convert constraint BO to unconstraint version. Our loss function is as below:

$$Loss = sign(recall, threshold) - query_per_sec$$
 (1)

$$Sign(recall, threshold) = \begin{cases} recall - threshold & recall > threshold \\ \lambda * (threshold - x) & recall <= threshold, \end{cases}$$
 (2)

Here we use λ = 100000 for Lagrange method, and *threshold* = 95.

3 Implemtation

3.1 Hardware Information

Our method is tested on server with: CPU: Intel Core i7-8700 CPU @ 4.6GHz and RAM: 32083MiB.

3.2 Core Code Annotations

3.2.1 ENV

ENV is a helper class configure basic milvs related variables.

Listing 1: ENV class config

```
class ENV():
   def __init__(self, args = None):
2
       print("ENV")
3
       # docker related information
4
       host = '127.0.0.1'
5
       port = '19530'
6
7
       # get milvus client and collection_name
8
       self.client = Milvus(host, port)
       self.collection_name = args.collection_name
10
11
       # get query_vectors and set top_k
12
       self.query_groundtruth = self.get_groundtruth()
13
       self.query_vectors = self.get_query()
14
       self.top_k = 100
15
16
       # get status by curretn db
17
       self.index_type = None
18
       self.index_params = None
19
       self.refresh_status()
20
21
       # set datadim, which is needed by some serch constraint
22
       global gDataDim
23
       gDataDim = 128
25
       # based on the input type, get the default build config
26
       if args.op == "build_params":
27
```

```
self.target_index_type = get_index_type(args.index_type)
28
           self.target_index_params = \
29
           get_default_build_config(self.target_index_type)
30
31
           is_build = False
32
           if self.index_type != self.target_index_type:
33
                is_build = True
34
            elif self.index_params != self.target_index_params:
35
                is build = True
36
37
           if is_build:
38
                self.env_build_input(self.target_index_type,\
39
                    self.target_index_params)
40
                self.refresh_status()
41
42
       # set search space
43
       self.default_build_config = get_default_build_config(self.index_type)
       self.search_configspace = get_search_configspace(self.index_type,\
45
            self.index_params)
46
       self.build_configspace = get_build_configspace(self.index_type)
47
```

Listing 2: Refresh Status

```
base on user's input, get the target search space
   def refresh_status(self):
2
3
       refresh status
4
       reset index_type and index_params
5
       reset all config space
6
       status, stats = self.client.get_index_info(self.collection_name)
8
       self.index_type = stats._index_type
       self.index_params = stats._params
10
11
       # set config space
12
       self.default_build_config = get_default_build_config(self.index_type)
13
       self.build_configspace = get_build_configspace(self.index_type)
14
       self.search_configspace = get_search_configspace(self.index_type,\
15
           self.index_params)
16
```

3.2.2 Search Config Class

Listing 3: Search Config Class

```
class HNSW_build_search_shared_config(object):

def __init__(self):
    self.M = cs.IntegerUniformHyperparameter('M', 4, 64)
    self.efConstruction = \
        cs.IntegerUniformHyperparameter('efConstruction', 8, 512)
    top_k = 100
    self.ef = cs.IntegerUniformHyperparameter('ef', top_k, 512)
    self.configspace = \
    cs.ConfigurationSpace([self.M, self.efConstruction, self.ef], seed=123)
```

We use constant class to configure the default search space.

3.2.3 ENV Input

Listing 4: Input

```
# given full env put
   def config_input(self, config):
2
       # check current index type
3
       is_build = False
5
       self.refresh_status()
6
       if self.index_type != config['index_type']:
7
           is_build = True
8
       elif self.index_params != config['index_params']:
           is_build = True
10
       if is_build:
12
           self.env_build_input(config['index_type'] ,config['index_params'])
13
           self.refresh_status()
14
15
16
       recall, query_per_sec = self.env_search_input(config['search_params'])
17
       self.search_params = config['search_params']
18
19
       return recall, query_per_sec
20
```

For input, we check the current status and mark the change that need to be done. Once we have changed the index of current database, we refresh the ENV status.

3.3 User Input Parser

Listing 5: Input Parser

```
args.op == "build_type":
       build_type_search_spcae =\
2
       [IndexType.IVF\_FLAT\,,\; IndexType.IVF\_PQ\,,\; IndexType.IVF\_SQ8\,,\; IndexType.HNSW]
3
       if args.build_type_op_method == "BO": # BO
4
           index_type = \
5
           cs. CategoricalHyperparameter ('index_type', build_type_search_spcae)
6
           index_type_configspace = cs.ConfigurationSpace([index_type], seed=123)
           type_opt = \
8
           BOHB(index_type_configspace,\
            build_type_evaluate , max_budget=10, min_budget=1)
10
           type_logs = type_opt.optimize()
11
                                                # Loop
       else:
12
           for index_type in build_type_search_spcae:
13
                env.target_index_type = index_type
14
                env.refresh_status()
15
                opt = \
16
               BOHB(get_build_configspace(env.target_index_type), \
17
                build_evaluate , max_budget=10, min_budget=1)
18
                logs = opt.optimize()
19
```

The input parser is trival.

3.4 HOBO

Listing 6: HOBO

```
\# Based on the HOBO class and our search space configuration, \setminus
  \# we can build a BOHB object. After that, we can call the optimize() \
  # method to start the optimization process.
  def build_type_evaluate(params, n_iterations):
  env.target_index_type = params['index_type']
   env.refresh_status()
6
   if args.build_search_share_space:
7
       opt = BOHB(get_build_search_shared_configspace(env.target_index_type),
8
                    build_search_share_space_evaluate,
                    max_budget=n_iterations,
10
                    min_budget = 1,
11
                    eta = 10)
12
       logs = opt.optimize()
13
   else:
14
       opt = BOHB(get_build_configspace(env.target_index_type),
15
                    build_evaluate,
16
                    max_budget=n_iterations,
17
                    min_budget = 1,
18
                    eta = 10
19
       logs = opt.optimize()
20
   return logs.best['loss']
```

4 Results

HOBO Results

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Results

Index Type Optimization

Method	index_type	M	efConstruction	ef	recall	query_per_sec	loss
BOHB(Index Type Loop)	'HNSW'	17	445	114	99.68	16782.6	-16777.9
BOHB(Index Type BO)	'HNSW'	22	274	106	99.75	18522	-18517.2

	index_type	nlist	Μ	nprobe	recall	query_per_sec	loss
Grid Search	'HNSW'	4	158	200	97.11	18331.74	-18329.63

Index Parameters Optimization

IVF_FLAT

	index_type	nlist	nprobe	recall	query_per_sec	loss
ВОНВ	'IVF_FLAT'	2883	54	99.68	14911	-14906.3
Grid Search	'IVF_FLAT'	14601	101	100.0	14402.03	-14397.03

${\bf IVF_SQ8}$

	index_type	nlist	nprobe	recall	query_per_sec	loss
BOHB Grid Search	'IVF_SQ8' 'IVF_SQ8'		-	00.00	13827.5 13080.62	-13823.7 -13076.13

IVF_PQ

	index_type	m	nlist	nprobe	recall	query_per_sec	loss
ВОНВ	'IVF_PQ'	128	3800	205	98.1	1289.00	-1285.90
Grid Search	'IVF_PQ'	64	1	1	95.08	1733.67	-7629.25

\mathbf{HNSW}

Method	$index_type$	Μ	efConstruction	ef	recall	query_per_sec	loss
BOHB Grid Search	'HNSW' 'HNSW'	18 4	92 158			17868.6 18331.74	-17863.8 -18329.63

5 Attemption

5.1 **VAE**

Trying to conpress the embedding dimension and get a more milvus-friendly representation space, we are using VAE to preprocess the given datasets.

Minimum Reconstruct Error

$$Loss(eb)$$
 (3)

5.2 Graph Based Message Passing

5.3 Minimum Distortion Embedding

[1]

References

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