## **Dog Breed Classifier Project Image Classification using AWS SageMaker**

This project takes a pretrained CNN model (Resnet18) and fine tunes it for use in classifying dog breeds into 133 classification based on a Dog Breeds dataset. The steps that the notebook goes through are:

- 1. Retrieving a dataset
- 2. Unzipping that dataset.
- 3. Uploading that dataset to an S3 bucket.
- 4. Setting up hyperparameter tuning using learning rate, weight decay, eps and batch size using theAdamW optimizer on ResNet18.
- 5. Starting a hyperparameter tuning job using 20 training jobs (2 at a time) with auto shutdown on the AWS Sage Maker Hyperparameter Tuning system.
- 6. Record the best hyperparameters as discovered from the above.
- 7. Train a fine-tuned model using ResNet18 and the best hyperparameters over a larger number ofepochs, recording profiling and debug data.
- 8. Examine the output from the profiling and debug of the above.
- 9. Re-run the training with profiling and debug turned off (due to issues deploying model trained with theabove).
- 10. Deploy that model as an endpoint on AWS.
- 11. Test that endpoint with new images.

## **Hyperparameter Tuning**

The ResNet18 model with a single layer Linear NN is used. ResNet18 is a well proven pretrained CNN and the results of a single layer NN was enough to get good results from training. The hyperparameters used to tune were:

- 1. Learning rate
- 2. epochs
- 3. Weight decay
- 4. Batch size

These hyperparameters gave broad coverage of the tune for the system. Values used between 0.1x and 10x the default as the default values tend to give good results for the first 3, and for batch size -the options of 32 and 64.

## Results

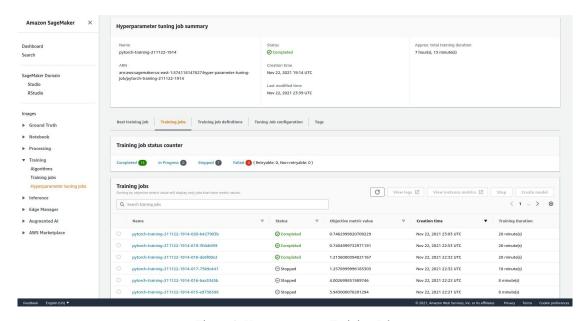


Figure 1: Hyperparameter Training Job

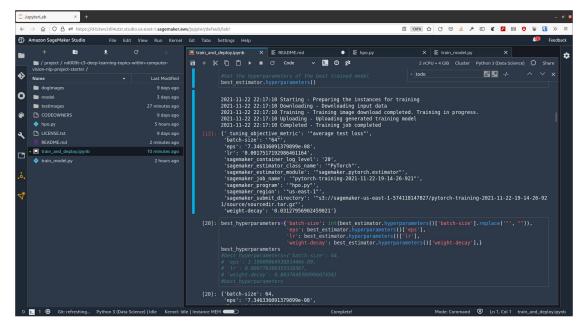


Figure 2: Hyperparameters best results

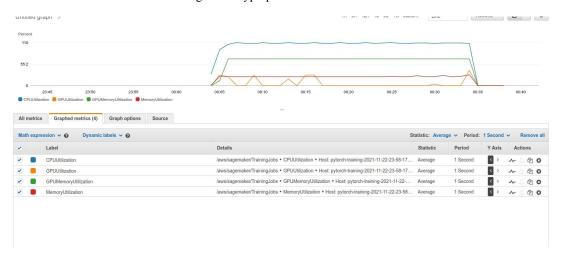


Figure 3: Training job resource use

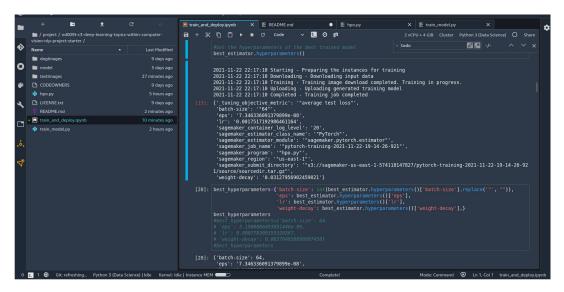


Figure 4: Training job output

## **Model Deployment**

The deployed model runs a tuned version of ResNet18 and accepts data as preprocessed in the notebook.

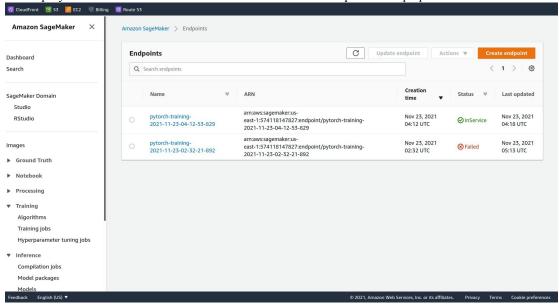


Figure 5: Deployed endpoint

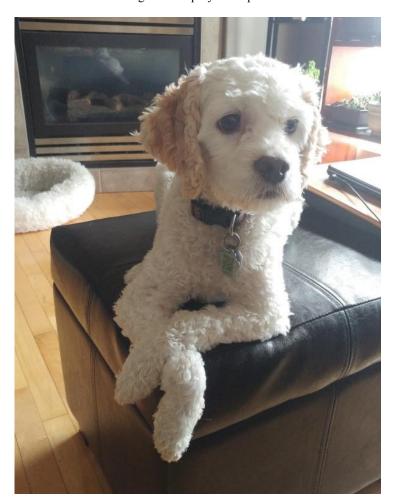


Figure 6: Penny for testing

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Figure 7: Using the endpoint