Categories	Sub-categories	Code Smells	Description	Potential Consequences	Name of Best Practice	Best Practice	Bad Code Example	Recommended Best Practice	Framework	Туре	Static?												
							for epoch in range(epochs): #Every call to build: my model() creates a new graph	import tensorflow as tf from tensorflow.keras.callbacks import ModelCheckpoint		7.1													
Resource Management: Smells in this category arise when ree file handles, sessions, or CPUCPU memory aroperly or are consumed inefficiently.	Memory Release: Snells in this subcategory arise when system resources, such as sessions, GPU contexts, or background threades properly closed or terminated. Over time, these lingering accountains, exhausting available, exhausting available in descriptions or open or op	rise mesources (UR) h as s s vu rear seads enever of or ever eiring rise. lable rs.	This smell refers to when a develope is running repeated without releasing or disposing of resources such as model objects, session data or intermediate computation graphs after each iteration.	Accumulation of unused objects in the memory — memory lesis and reduced performance	Session Reset and Checkpointing	Clear Keras session and use Model Checkpoint Calback to release reduction after each iteration.	model* build my model() model complecipitmer adam* loss='mse') model fri((dataset, epochs=1)**	for epoch in range(epochs) model - bulk my, mode() model comple(optimizer-'adam', loss='mse') if epoch > 0: model load, weights("checkpoint_epoch_(epoch-1) h5') checkpoint = Model(Checkpoint) filepath=Theckpoint_epoch_(epoch) h5', save_weights_cmy=True, save_free"poch') model filt_ distant, epochs=1, epochs=1, epochs=1, epochs=1 calleacks=(checkpoint]) if keras_backend.clear_session()	Keras	Generic for Model Objects (also appears in Pytorch)/API- Specific for Session Data and Computation Graph One of the listed Pytorch smell: Accumulated Object References	non-static												
			This smell refers to when a developer creates new models, iterators, or graph nodes on each iteration of a training loop without releasing or deallocating previous resources.	1. accumulation of unnecessary resources — increased memory consumption 2. Can cause memory leaks and performance degradation	Avoid training inside a loop.	Avoid training inside a loop.	for epoch in range(10): model.tit/z_train, y_train, epochs=1, batch_size=32)	model fit x, train, y, train, y, train, epocha-10, blatch_size=32	TensorFlow	Generic/also appears in Pytorch One of the listed Pytorch smell: Accumulated Object References	non-static												
			This small refers to when tensors, variables, or intermediate results are created or modified on each loop lenston without proper deallocation.	Prevents the garbage collector from freing their occupied memory—gradual increase in memory Semory estation—accusation—accusate significant memory leaks—impair system performance and efficiency	Optimized TensorFlow Function Usage	Use "tf.function" for optimized memory resource cleanup in iterative workflows.	for epoch in range(EPOCHS): loss = train_step_eager(x_batch, y_batch)	import tensorflow as if model = "t.kema Sequential[if kema layers Demer(1) if kema layers Demer(1) if kema layers Demer(1) is specific to the sequential sp	TensorFlow	Generic/also appears in Pytorch One of the listed Pytorch smell: Accumulated Object References	non-static												
			This smell refers to when a developer dynamically allocates new tensor objects in each loop literation without properly deallocating or resetting them.	Unused memory allocations accumulate with each iteration memory leaks, performance degradation, and potential out-of-memory (OOM) errors	Resource Reuse and Memory Clearing	Reuse resources, manage memory growth, and efficiently load data.	memory_used = for in range(95)	data = (tf.data. Dataset from_lensor_slices(np.nachoun.uniform(seze=0)(5.005.000))) prefetc*(t(4).npean(1-1).batch(3)) de cdata.mate_nimistrable_foreator() new_l = 1 et get_mext() with tf.Session() as sess: sess.run(tinfallazer) for inmage(00): batch = sess.run(next_el)	TensorFlow	Generic/also appears in Pytorch One of the listed Pytorch smell: Accumulated Object References	non-static												
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		Unclosed-Session (US)	This smell refers to when a developer opens sessions or builds computational graphs without explicitly closing or resetting them.	Resources remain allocated → consuming memory even after if no longer needed Can cause memory leak	Session and Resource Cleanup	Ensure proper session management and resource cleanup in TensorFlow.	for step in range(200): with 1f.Session() as sess: # test op was defined outside; feedForwardStep creates new ops each call rebur = sess.run(test, feed_dict=(x-batch_data)) test2 = "secForwardStep(rebur, W_1 to_output, b_output)	for step in range(200); with If-Graph() as_efeatual(), if Session() as sess: retour = sess.nurlets, feed_cit-(ir, total)_cital() beta2 = despreaved(Septiment, vii_voutput, v_output)	TensorFlow	API-Specific	non-static												
		GPU Released Memory Failure (GRMF)	This smell refers to when a developer allocates tensors or models on the GPU without explicitly freeling or resetting GPU memory, relying instead on garbage collection, which primarily manages CPU memory	Memory leaks — inefficient memory utilization Accumulation of unused memory — out-of-memory (OOM) errors, performance degradation, or even training halts May delay the release of unused resources 4. Slower computations	Explicit GPU Memory Cleanup	Explicitly delete unused objects, invoke "gc.collect()" to prompt memory cleanup, and call "tf. keras.backend. clear_session()" between runs to fully release resources.	for run, id in range(25). mode! = buld_red(**tipezams()) # each time: new CNN on GPU mode! stittrain_ds, epochs=2)	mport tensorflow as if, gc	TensorFlow	Generic/also appears in Pytorch One of the listed Pytorch smell: Unreleased GPU Memory	non-static												
	Augmentation Resource Leaks: Smells in this subcategory arise when data- augmentation pipelines retain intermediate buffers or cached augmented samples without ever freeling them.	Image Buffer Accumulation (IBA)	This smell refers to when a developer loads or processes images without using context managers or explicitly releasing temporary buffers.	Can cause resource leaks e.g. CPU memory for augmented images isn't freed and GPU buffers aren't cleared, leading to gradual memory growth, potential out-of-memory errors, and degraded performance.	Context Manager Resource Control	Proactively manage resources by employing context managers or ensuring explicit disposal.	dof augment_images_flipaths; images = [] for in patient for i	def augment, Images (figaths): images et pin part for p in p in part for p in p i	TensorFlow	Generic/also appears in Pytorch	non-static												

Training Pipeline Management: Smells in this category arise when are an arise when arise and arise arise when arise and arise arise and arise arise and arise arise arise arise and arise	Tensor and Variable Management: Management: subcategory arise when tensors, gradent buffers, or minimanaged, through unnecessary allocations, retained references, or minimanaged through unnecessary allocations, retained through unnecessary allocations, retained through unnecessary allocations, retained through unnecessary allocations, retained through unnecessary allocations, and the second through through through the second through the second through through through through the second through the seco	Unreleased Tensor Reference (UTR)	This smell refers to when a developer reassigns or stores new tensor objects without releasing references to the previous ones.	Memory occupied by the tensors remains allocated unnecessarily 2 Prevents the proper deallocation of memory — tensors to persist in memory even after they are no longer required	Manual Tensor Disposal	Manually dispose tensors before reassignment.	let ys = model predict(xs); for (let i = 0, i < 1, 000, ++1) (ys = tf add(ys, tf scalar(1)); }	let y = model predictive): for fiel = (0, 1 < 1, 000, ++) { const next = ys. add(1); ys. dispose(); ys = next;	TensorFlow	Generic/also appears in Pytorch One of the listed Pytorch smell: 1. Lingering References 2. Unreleased Tensor/Model Reference	non-static
		Shape Mismatch Leak (SML)	This smell refers to when a developer omits necessary tensor resharing before operations. Riggering implicit broadcasting or oversized buffers.	Increased memory consumption Memory leaks	Preemptive Tensor Reshaping	Reshape tensors before operations to avoid broadcasting overhead.	# "batch, labels" has shape (k.1), "predictions" has shape (k.) predictions = model(batch_leatures, training=False) errors = # abol(# subtract(batch_labels, predictions))	predictions = model(eathn features, training=False) blackh_lables = freshapp(eath_lables, flashpep(predictions)) errors = ff.abs(batch_lables - predictions)	TensorFlow	Generic/also appears in Pytorch	non-static
	Data Loading and Preprocessing: Smells in this subscription of the preprocessing preprints and extended of the preprocessing preprints are designed or configured inefficiently, whether by repeatedly or interators, falling to cache or prefetch, papplying expensive transformations before filtering or batching, loading in before filtering or batching, loading inmenersy at once, or causing unnecessing the property of the present the preprint of the preprint of the present t	Dataset-Iterator Retention (DIR)	This smell refers to when a developer instantiales new 'Li data Dalasse' persention or 'model predictio' for inside an inference loop).	Continual creation of terrators → resource leak	Efficient Nerator Management	Passing "next leterator) to "predict) in the full dataset.	import sensorflow as if import namely as in provided in the import namely as in provided provided in p	import tensorflow as if import tensorflow as if import tensorflow as if import tensorflow as if import tensorflow and import tensor street in	TensorFlow	Generic/also appears in Pytorch One of the listed Pytorch smell: The Control of the Control of the Instantation Instantation Instantation Cycled DataLoader	non-static
	Model Lifecycle Management: Smells in this subcategory arise when model instances, computation graphs, ontimizers or	Session Pile-Up (SPU)	This smell refers to when a developer reuses Keras/TensorFlow model instances or sessions without invoking "dear_session()" or resetting the computation graph.	Accumulation of outdated ressources C. Can result in memory leaks Reduced system performance	Avoid Model Recreation in Loops	Avoid Recreating Models in a loop.	for in range(10): model create mode() # bullds a new graph each iteration model comple(optimize="adam", loss=sparse_categorical_crossentropy', metrics=(accuracy()) model.fn(z_train_y_train_epochs=1)	Import tensorflow as if for in range(10): It keras backend clear_session() # clear old graphs/sessions model = create_mode() model = create_mode() models_graphere_cateported_createry, metrics= scutarey metrics= scutarey models[fit_creater]	TensorFlow	API-Specific	non-static
	n callback objects are not properly initialized, reset, or released between training or evaluation runs, such as failing a "clear session()", reusing model objects without resetting weights or garphs, reusing optimizer instances without reinitializing optimizer instances without relations of the property of th	Improper Model Reuse (IMR)	This smell refers to a developer reusing model instances across training or instances are straining or dearing or resetting model objects, veights, or computation graphs between iterations.	Accumulation of redundant computation graphs, layer weights, and leasers – a lorescade memory use. 2. Memory leaks and wasted compute cycles – compromised stability and scalability of the workflow.	Resource Reset and Cleanup	Clear or reset resources.	control while cont-t-20: cont+al ing to frain discr-image generator(8) #it returns a tuplet(mage, 07) #it returns a tuplet(mage, 07) ing to frain discrtiff ing to frain generator (a.g. part) ing to frain	contiol LEAK_FLUSH_EVERY = 3 disc. gan = build_models() # helper function that returns compiled models while cont-20: conti-=1 imp_to_train_discrnimage_generator(8) ### returns a functioning_to_train_discr[0], img_to_train_discr[1] imp_to_train_discrnimage_generator for_gan(8) #### returns a functioning_to_train_discr[0], img_to_train_discr[1] imp_to_train_gan-impage_generator for_gan(8) generation_train_gan(horing_to_train_gan(1)) for continue_train_gan(horing_to_train_gan(1)) for continue_train_gan(1) gc.collect() discr. gan = build_models()	Keras	Generic/API- Specific for Computation Graph/also appears in Pytorch Bisted Pytorch smell: 1. Encoder- Decoder Inside Training Loop 2. Tracing Inside Loop Without Cleanup	non-static
	Hyperparameter Configuration. Smells in this subcategory arise when the configuration of the	Minibatch Mismatch (MBM)	This small refers to when a developer chooses a minibatch size that does not align with size that does not align with either excessively stopp or unnecessarily small, leading to suboptimal resource usage during training.	1. Possible increased memory consumption - compromise efficiency and stability of ML models 2. Can lead to Und-remency (COM). 3. Higher companies overhead → limited scalability	Adjusting Batch Size	Lower batch size.	# Assume 'dataset' is a tf.data.Dataset of (features, labels) model completoptimizer='adam', loss='spanse_calegorical_crossentropy') model fit(dodataset, epochs=10, batch_size=1024,)	nodel. Comple(optimizer "adam", loss "sparse_categorical_crossentropy") model fit(dataset, epochs=10, batch_size=42,)	Keras	Generic/also appears in Pytorch One of the listed Pytorch smell: Oversized Batch Handling	non-static
Graph Management: Smells in this category arise when	Misuse of Graph Constants: Smells in this subcategory arise when developers embed large data arrays, lookup tables, configuration objects, or other unnecessary constant values directly into the computational graph.	Graph-Constant Bottleneck (GCB)	This smell refers to when a developer embeds large data arrays as graph constants.	1. Accumulation of large, unused memory objects 2. Increased memory consumption and exacerbating memory leaks	Use Placeholders for Large Data	Use placeholders when working with large datasets.	for_in range(1000): large_const =tf.constant(large_np_array) sess.nun(large_const)	ph = if_placeholder(dype=large_np_array.dype, shape=large_np_arrayshape) for_in_rays(100); sess.nm(letan_op, feed_dict=(pt: large_np_array))	TensorFlow	API-Specific	Static

the computational graph is mismanaged, leading for an use of the computation of the compu	Improper Graph Reuse: Smells in this category arise when the computational mismanaged, leading to an unnecessarily tage graph, slower excessive memory use, or difficulty exporting and whether through improper handling of under through inference nodes, continuously adding operations make pieces that can't be saved or renove outdoiled fragments.	Unbounded Graph Expansion (UGE)	This smell refers to when a developer adds new operations to lesses/flows default gerin to lesses/flows adds and period or isolating the graph between iterations.	1. Retention of unnocessary operations: concerning memory and computational resources. 2. Inefficient memory utilization and potential memory issues — system operation areas yeals. Increase memory consumption increase memory consumption.	Grash Isolation and Optimization	Use separate graphs and optimize graph and optimize graph and TensorFlow.	def read_tensor_from_image_flie(file_name_input_height=299, input_width=299, input_mean=0, input_std=255): input_name = "file_reader" convolut_reame = "formatized" infe_reader = file_reader = file_r	def read_tensors, from_image_files(file_names, input_height=299, input_width=290, input_mean=0, input_std=255); with tiGraph() as_default; input_name = "lie_reader" output_name = "lie_reader" output_name = "normatize" file_reader = file_reader(std=file_file_name) image_reader = ti_mage_decode_inpachedder. input_name) image_reader = ti_mage_decode_inpachedder. input_name) file_reader = file_reader(std=file_file_name) file_reader(std=file_file_name) file_reader(std=file_file_name) file_reader(std=file_file_name) file_reader(std=file_file_name) file_reader(std=file_file_name) file_reader(std=file_file_name) file_name) file_name = file_names file_name = file_name _placeholder: file_name))	TensorFlow	API-Specific	non-static
				Unnecessary computational overhead → degraded model efficiency and hindered scalability of ML systems	Subclass Custom Operations	Encapsulate custom operations in subclasses.	# apply IN and BN on the input tensor independently x_in = InstanceNormalization(axis=3)(x) x_bn = 8tathNormalization(axis=3)(x) x_bn = 8tathNormalization(axis=3)(x)	class Crop(keras.layers.Layer): definit(self, dim, start, end, **kwargs):	Keras	API-Specific	Static
Framework/Abstraction Usage: Smells in this whenever code steps outside the whenever code steps outside the framework's built-in, whenever code steps outside the framework's built-in, whenever code interfaces, choosing manual loops, primitive ops, or developed manual loops, primitive ops, or developed manual loops, primitive ops, or developed manual loops, primitive ops, primiti	violations erode the abstraction layers that the famework of the famework of the control of the	Using Lambda layers to perform complex or repeated operations	This smell refers to when a developer uses Lambda layers to perform complex or essenge, one-off tensor transformations for which they re intended.	Retention of intermediate tensors and the computation graph — Can cause an accumulation of memory — prevents effection of the Collection — memory leafs	Replace Lambda with Custom Layers	Replace Lambda with Custom Layers	# addition of the feature maps outputed by IN and BN x = Add()(x_n, x_bn))	Slice the tensor on the last dimension, keeping what is between start and end. Args (nt) : dimension of the tensor (including the batch dim) distart (nt) : index of where to start the cropping end (nt) : index of where to stop the cropping end (nt) : index of where to stop the cropping end (nt) : index of where to stop the cropping end (nt) : index of where to stop the cropping end index end	TensorFlow	API-Specific	Static
		Primitive API Leakage (PAL)	This smell refers to when a developer invokes low-level TensorFlow operations directly inside a Keras model definition instead of using the corresponding Keras layers.	May create challenges in managing the model's structure and hinder the effective use of Keras' higher-level functionalities May limit the portability and flexibility of the model Reduces code modularity—complicates debugging and maintenance	TensorFlow Operation Encapsulation	Encapsulate TensorFlow operations.	# Bad Code Example (inside Model call or Sequential pipeline) x = tf.multiply(tf.reshape(x, (-1, 32, 2)), 0.5)	# Recommended Best Practice x = Reshape((32, 2))(x) x = Multiply()(x, 0.5))	TensorFlow	API-Specific	Static
Environment and Configuration Management: Management: Category arise from misconfiguring the execution of the misconfiguring the miscon	Environment Setup Issues: Smells in this subcategory are caused by misconfiguring any aspect of the runtime environment, such as version or dependency configuration files, container/Wil setup errors, file-system or permission problems, or locale/timezone mismatches.	Library Path Mismatch (LPM)	This smell refers to when a developer configures CUDA- related environment variables (such as CUDA-HOME, PATH, or PATH, or PATH, or DATH) to DATH (such as CUDA-HOME, part of the path of	Disrupts the proper loading and initialization of CUDA libraries and orivers — possible resources leaks allocation-declaration — memory fragmentation Can lead to memory leaks and initificent GPU utilization Ullimately any compromise system stability and performance	Consistent Environment Configuration	Ensure consistent environment configuration for CUDA paths.	export CLDA_HOME=insurfocal/ouds=7.5 support PATH-winsurfocalculous=7.0 hinos=874TH export LD_LIBRARY_PATH=insurfocal(cuds=7.5/lib64.\$LD_LIBRARY_PATH export LD_LIBRARY_PATH=insurfocal(cuds=7.5/lib64.\$LD_LIBRARY_PATH	export CUDA_HOME-instructure27.5 export PATH=6/LDA_HOME-instructure27.5 export PATH=6/LDA_HOME-instructure27.6 export LD_LIBRARY_PATH=SCUDA_HOME-ins64.sLD_LIBRARY_PATH	Keras	Generic	non-static
	Resource Configuration Issue: Smells in this subcategory are caused by improperly tuning or allocating tuning or allocating resources, such as unconstrained parallelism, excessive memory or disk I/O limits, or misconfigured GPU/CPU usage.	Unecessary Parallelism (UP)	This smell refers to when a developer parallelizes model training across all available similarly without limiting the number of worker processes or dispatch control.	Excessive parallel jobs — resource exhaustion and memory leaks 2. accumulation of uncertainty of the control of the contr	GridSearchCV Parallelism Control	Controll parallelism in GridSearchCV.	from skdeam nestemble import Random/Forest(Dassafter from skdeam model_selection import Gird/Search/CV estimator = Random/Forest(Dassafter) rearranged = {n_estimators 20, 100, 1 max_depth; [10, 20]} states all cores (n_obs-1), can exhaust memory and leak resources gird = Gird/Search/CV(estimator, param_gird, n_obs-1) and extension gird of Gird/Search/CV(estimator, param_gird, n_obs-1) and extension gird of Gird/Search/CV(estimator, param_gird, n_obs-1) and extension gird of Gird/Search/CV(estimator, param_gird, n_obs-1)	from skleam ensemble import Random/ForestClassifler from skleam model_selection import GridSearchCV estimator * Random/ForestClassifler() param_grid * (n_estimator)* (50, 100); max_deph^-; (10, 20)) stimator * (n_estimator)* (20, 100); max_deph^-; (10, 20)) stimator * (n_estimator)* (20, 100); max_deph^-; (10, 20)) st once grid * GridSearchCV(estimator imparam_grid, n_jobs*4, pre_dspatch=2*n_jobs* ()) grid.fl(X_train, y_train)	Keras	Generic/also appears in Pytorch	non-static