

Debugging

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problem

Train A Shape Classifier Model

```
import json
import os

train_data_root = "../datasets/train"
test_data_root = "../datasets/test"

# 0.0s

import torch
import torch.nn as nn
import torch.optim as optim
import torch.nn.functional as F
from torchvision import datasets, transforms
from torch.utils.data import DataLoader
import os

# Set device
device = torch.device("cuda" if torch.cuda.is_available() else "cpu")

# Define transformations (including resizing and normalization)
transform = transforms.Compose([
    transforms.Grayscale(num_output_channels=1), # Convert to grayscale (black and white images)
    transforms.Resize(64, 64), # Resize images to 64x64 pixels
    transforms.ToTensor(), # Convert the image to a tensor
    transforms.Normalize((0.5,), (0.5,)) # Normalize the images (mean=0.5, std=0.5 for grayscale)
])

```

solving

From official documentation

VS Code + venv + Jupyter (Windows) – Quick Cheat Sheet

0. Mental model

Always keep three things pointing to the same place:

1. The project folder in VS Code
2. The virtual environment (.venv)
3. The Jupyter kernel used by the notebook

If all three match, import torch etc. will work.

1. Open the correct folder in VS Code

1. In VS Code: File → Open Folder...

Choose your project root, for example:

D:\MasterSRC\input\Campus\practice\silverpond_enter_project\intern-skills-silverpond

Everything below assumes your terminal path looks like this.

2. Create and activate the virtual environment

Open a Terminal in VS Code (PowerShell is fine):

- # 1) Create venv in project folder (run only once)
- python -m venv .venv

- # 2) Activate venv (every new terminal)

.\.venv\Scripts\Activate.ps1

You should see (.venv) at the start of the prompt.

If not, the venv is not active.

3. Install project dependencies

Still in the same terminal (with (.venv)):

pip install -r requirements-cpu.txt

If you just need torch/torchvision manually, you can also do:

pip install torch torchvision

(But for Silverpond task, the provided requirements-cpu.txt is better.)

4. Install and register an ipykernel (once per venv)

This step makes Jupyter see your venv as a named kernel:

```
pip install ipykernel
python -m ipykernel install --user \
--name silverpond-venv \
--display-name "Python (silverpond .venv)"
• --name is the internal kernel name.
• --display-name is what you see in the Jupyter kernel menu.
```

You only need to do this once for this venv.

5. Select the right kernel in the notebook

1. Open notebooks/shape_classifier.ipynb in VS Code.

2. Top-right corner, click on the kernel name (e.g. "Python 3.11.x").

3. Choose:

Python (silverpond .venv)

If you see this name, it means VS Code found the kernel you registered.

6. Sanity check inside the notebook

In a new cell, run:

```
import sys; torch
print(sys.executable)
print("torch version:", torch.__version__)
```

Expected result:

- sys.executable ends with something like:
...\\intern-skills\\silverpond\\venv\\Scripts\\python.exe
- torch version: prints a valid version (e.g. 2.9.1+cpu), no error.

If both are true, your environment is correctly wired.

- Notebook → venv Python
- torch (and other libs) installed in that venv

7. Run the workflow

Now you can safely:

1. Run the cell that generates the dataset
(python generate_classification_dataset.py or notebook cell)
2. Run training cells (train_model(...))
3. Run evaluation (test(model, test_loader))
4. Run visualization (show_prediction(...))

If later you open a new VS Code session:

1. Open the same project folder
2. Activate venv again:
.\\.venv\Scripts\Activate.ps1
3. In the notebook, check that kernel is still Python (silverpond .venv).

8. Optional: clean notebook outputs before commit (nbstripout)

In the venv:

```
pip install nbstripout
nbstripout notebooks/shape_classifier.ipynb
```

This removes big cell outputs so your git diff is clean.

"What went wrong before?" (Very short explanation)

Earlier problems were caused by environment mismatch:

- VS Code Jupyter kernel was using global Python (D:\\python\\python.exe)
- You installed torch into a .venv, not into global Python
- So notebook couldn't find torch, even though terminal inside .venv worked

Now all three are aligned on .venv, so things are stable.

Useful official docs (for reference)

They are standard docs people use for this setup.

Visual Studio Code - Python environments

<https://code.visualstudio.com/docs/python/environments>

Visual Studio Code - Jupyter Notebooks

<https://code.visualstudio.com/docs/datascience/jupyter-notebooks>

Python - venv module (official docs)

<https://docs.python.org/3/library/venv.html>

Jupyter - Using different Python environments & kernels

https://ipython.readthedocs.io/en/stable/install/kernel_install.html

Since tensors do not have an append method, the workaround is to initialize them as a Python list all_preds = [].

First, collect the data using a Python list, and then merge it all at once using torch.cat or torch.stack.

Useful Helper docs (for reference)

Stackoverflow

https://www.bing.com/c/k/?l=&p=f5d753484c4b8c7789e34f4b981a8d0a1158592e441d96911cd997f168cf9081jmbtdhM9MTc2MzUxMDQwMA&ptn=3&v=er>2&hsn=4&trid=7fe208d-432-67bb-299e-3603c533660a8&prgr=AttributeError%3a+>%27Tensor%27object+hass no attribute%27append%27+pytorch%22&u=a1a180dchMgLy9zdGFiJa2922XlmBg93LmNvbS9wdWVzRlGlvnMyNTUxNTM5MTUyXVR0cmldXRIZLxyb3IrdGVz29yLW9jamVidC1oYXMtbtm8tYXR0cmldXRI_LWFwcGVuZa

```
finish | git status  
       | git add notebooks/shape_classifier.ipynb  
       | git commit -m "Strip notebook outputs"  
       | git push origin master
```