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# Optuna Documentation

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# OPTUNA

*Optuna* is an automatic hyperparameter optimization software framework, particularly designed for machine learning. It features an imperative, *define-by-run* style user API. Thanks to our *define-by-run* API, the code written with Optuna enjoys high modularity, and the user of Optuna can dynamically construct the search spaces for the hyperparameters.



## KEY FEATURES

Optuna has modern functionalities as follows:

- *Lightweight, versatile, and platform agnostic architecture*
  - Handle a wide variety of tasks with a simple installation that has few requirements.
- *Pythonic search spaces*
  - Define search spaces using familiar Python syntax including conditionals and loops.
- *Efficient optimization algorithms*
  - Adopt state-of-the-art algorithms for sampling hyper parameters and efficiently pruning unpromising trials.
- *Easy parallelization*
  - Scale studies to tens or hundreds of workers with little or no changes to the code.
- *Quick visualization*
  - Inspect optimization histories from a variety of plotting functions.





## BASIC CONCEPTS

We use the terms *study* and *trial* as follows:

- Study: optimization based on an objective function
- Trial: a single execution of the objective function

Please refer to sample code below. The goal of a *study* is to find out the optimal set of hyperparameter values (e.g., classifier and svm\_c) through multiple *trials* (e.g., n\_trials=100). Optuna is a framework designed for the automation and the acceleration of the optimization *studies*.

```
import ...

# Define an objective function to be minimized.
def objective(trial):

    # Invoke suggest methods of a Trial object to generate hyperparameters.
    regressor_name = trial.suggest_categorical('classifier', ['SVR', 'RandomForest'])
    if regressor_name == 'SVR':
        svr_c = trial.suggest_loguniform('svr_c', 1e-10, 1e10)
        regressor_obj = sklearn.svm.SVR(C=svr_c)
    else:
        rf_max_depth = trial.suggest_int('rf_max_depth', 2, 32)
        regressor_obj = sklearn.ensemble.RandomForestRegressor(max_depth=rf_max_depth)

    X, y = sklearn.datasets.load_boston(return_X_y=True)
    X_train, X_val, y_train, y_val = sklearn.model_selection.train_test_split(X, y,
↪random_state=0)

    regressor_obj.fit(X_train, y_train)
    y_pred = regressor_obj.predict(X_val)

    error = sklearn.metrics.mean_squared_error(y_val, y_pred)

    return error # An objective value linked with the Trial object.

study = optuna.create_study() # Create a new study.
study.optimize(objective, n_trials=100) # Invoke optimization of the objective_
↪function.
```



## COMMUNICATION

- [GitHub Issues](#) for bug reports, feature requests and questions.
- [Gitter](#) for interactive chat with developers.
- [Stack Overflow](#) for questions.



## CONTRIBUTION

Any contributions to Optuna are welcome! When you send a pull request, please follow the [contribution guide](#).



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## REFERENCE

Takuya Akiba, Shotaro Sano, Toshihiko Yanase, Takeru Ohta, and Masanori Koyama. 2019. Optuna: A Next-generation Hyperparameter Optimization Framework. In KDD ([arXiv](#)).

### 6.1 Installation

Optuna supports Python 3.6 or newer.

We recommend to install Optuna via pip:

```
$ pip install optuna
```

You can also install the development version of Optuna from master branch of Git repository:

```
$ pip install git+https://github.com/optuna/optuna.git
```

You can also install Optuna via conda:

```
$ conda install -c conda-forge optuna
```

### 6.2 Tutorial

Below tutorials cover the basic concepts and usage of Optuna. The order we assume is as follows:

- *First Optimization*
- *Advanced Configurations*
- *Saving/Resuming Study with RDB Backend*
- *Distributed Optimization*
- *Command-Line Interface*
- *User Attributes*
- *Pruning Unpromising Trials*
- *User-Defined Sampler*

#### Other Resources:

- **Examples:** More examples including how to use Optuna with popular libraries for machine learning and deep learning.

## 6.2.1 First Optimization

### Quadratic Function Example

Usually, Optuna is used to optimize hyper-parameters, but as an example, let us directly optimize a quadratic function in an IPython shell.

```
import optuna
```

The objective function is what will be optimized.

```
def objective(trial):  
    x = trial.suggest_uniform('x', -10, 10)  
    return (x - 2) ** 2
```

This function returns the value of  $(x - 2)^2$ . Our goal is to find the value of  $x$  that minimizes the output of the `objective` function. This is the “optimization.” During the optimization, Optuna repeatedly calls and evaluates the objective function with different values of  $x$ .

A *Trial* object corresponds to a single execution of the objective function and is internally instantiated upon each invocation of the function.

The *suggest* APIs (for example, `suggest_float()`) are called inside the objective function to obtain parameters for a trial. `suggest_float()` selects parameters uniformly within the range provided. In our example, from  $-10$  to  $10$ .

To start the optimization, we create a study object and pass the objective function to method `optimize()` as follows.

```
study = optuna.create_study()  
study.optimize(objective, n_trials=100)
```

You can get the best parameter as follows.

```
print(study.best_params)
```

Out:

```
{'x': 1.9768548120705323}
```

We can see that the  $x$  value found by Optuna is close to the optimal value of  $2$ .

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**Note:** When used to search for hyper-parameters in machine learning, usually the objective function would return the loss or accuracy of the model.

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### Study Object

Let us clarify the terminology in Optuna as follows:

- **Trial:** A single call of the objective function
- **Study:** An optimization session, which is a set of trials
- **Parameter:** A variable whose value is to be optimized, such as  $x$  in the above example

In Optuna, we use the study object to manage optimization. Method `create_study()` returns a study object. A study object has useful properties for analyzing the optimization outcome.

To get the best parameter:

```
study.best_params
```

Out:

```
{'x': 1.9768548120705323}
```

To get the best value:

```
study.best_value
```

Out:

```
0.000535699724290379
```

To get the best trial:

```
study.best_trial
```

Out:

```
FrozenTrial(number=12, value=0.000535699724290379, datetime_start=datetime.
↳datetime(2020, 11, 4, 4, 32, 22, 739335), datetime_complete=datetime.datetime(2020,
↳11, 4, 4, 32, 22, 743264), params={'x': 1.9768548120705323}, distributions={'x':
↳UniformDistribution(high=10, low=-10)}, user_attrs={}, system_attrs={},
↳intermediate_values={}, trial_id=12, state=TrialState.COMPLETE)
```

To get all trials:

```
study.trials
```

Out:

```
[FrozenTrial(number=0, value=26.108223413568215, datetime_start=datetime.
↳datetime(2020, 11, 4, 4, 32, 22, 726927), datetime_complete=datetime.datetime(2020,
↳11, 4, 4, 32, 22, 727134), params={'x': 7.109620672179904}, distributions={'x':
↳UniformDistribution(high=10, low=-10)}, user_attrs={}, system_attrs={},
↳intermediate_values={}, trial_id=0, state=TrialState.COMPLETE),
↳FrozenTrial(number=1, value=18.72372699415082, datetime_start=datetime.
↳datetime(2020, 11, 4, 4, 32, 22, 727496), datetime_complete=datetime.datetime(2020,
↳11, 4, 4, 32, 22, 727716), params={'x': 6.327092210035605}, distributions={'x':
↳UniformDistribution(high=10, low=-10)}, user_attrs={}, system_attrs={},
↳intermediate_values={}, trial_id=1, state=TrialState.COMPLETE),
↳FrozenTrial(number=2, value=2.787588754776623, datetime_start=datetime.
↳datetime(2020, 11, 4, 4, 32, 22, 728019), datetime_complete=datetime.datetime(2020,
↳11, 4, 4, 32, 22, 728222), params={'x': 0.33039263454648626}, distributions={'x':
↳UniformDistribution(high=10, low=-10)}, user_attrs={}, system_attrs={},
↳intermediate_values={}, trial_id=2, state=TrialState.COMPLETE),
↳FrozenTrial(number=3, value=70.97380957550165, datetime_start=datetime.
↳datetime(2020, 11, 4, 4, 32, 22, 728510), datetime_complete=datetime.datetime(2020,
↳11, 4, 4, 32, 22, 728698), params={'x': -6.424595514058917}, distributions={'x':
↳UniformDistribution(high=10, low=-10)}, user_attrs={}, system_attrs={},
↳intermediate_values={}, trial_id=3, state=TrialState.COMPLETE),
↳FrozenTrial(number=4, value=44.40947655102064, datetime_start=datetime.
↳datetime(2020, 11, 4, 4, 32, 22, 728958), datetime_complete=datetime.datetime(2020,
↳11, 4, 4, 32, 22, 729175), params={'x': -4.664043558607689}, distributions={'x':
↳UniformDistribution(high=10, low=-10)}, user_attrs={}, system_attrs={},
↳intermediate_values={}, trial_id=4, state=TrialState.COMPLETE),
↳FrozenTrial(number=5, value=32.74545216290248, datetime_start=datetime.
↳datetime(2020, 11, 4, 4, 32, 22, 729460), datetime_complete=datetime.datetime(2020,
↳11, 4, 4, 32, 22, 729666), params={'x': -3.7223642109623256}, distributions={'x':
↳UniformDistribution(high=10, low=-10)}, user_attrs={}, system_attrs={},
↳intermediate_values={}, trial_id=5, state=TrialState.COMPLETE),
↳FrozenTrial(number=6, value=26.651678343423676, datetime_start=datetime.
↳datetime(2020, 11, 4, 4, 32, 22, 729941), datetime_complete=datetime.datetime(2020,...
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To get the number of trials:

```
len(study.trials)
```

Out:

```
100
```

By executing `optimize()` again, we can continue the optimization.

```
study.optimize(objective, n_trials=100)
```

To get the updated number of trials:

```
len(study.trials)
```

Out:

```
200
```

**Total running time of the script:** ( 0 minutes 0.763 seconds)

## 6.2.2 Advanced Configurations

### Defining Parameter Spaces

Optuna supports five kinds of parameters.

```
def objective(trial):
    # Categorical parameter
    optimizer = trial.suggest_categorical('optimizer', ['MomentumSGD', 'Adam'])

    # Int parameter
    num_layers = trial.suggest_int('num_layers', 1, 3)

    # Uniform parameter
    dropout_rate = trial.suggest_uniform('dropout_rate', 0.0, 1.0)

    # Loguniform parameter
    learning_rate = trial.suggest_loguniform('learning_rate', 1e-5, 1e-2)

    # Discrete-uniform parameter
    drop_path_rate = trial.suggest_discrete_uniform('drop_path_rate', 0.0, 1.0, 0.1)

    ...
```

## Branches and Loops

You can use branches or loops depending on the parameter values.

```
def objective(trial):
    classifier_name = trial.suggest_categorical('classifier', ['SVC', 'RandomForest'])
    if classifier_name == 'SVC':
        svc_c = trial.suggest_loguniform('svc_c', 1e-10, 1e10)
        classifier_obj = sklearn.svm.SVC(C=svc_c)
    else:
        rf_max_depth = int(trial.suggest_loguniform('rf_max_depth', 2, 32))
        classifier_obj = sklearn.ensemble.RandomForestClassifier(max_depth=rf_max_
→depth)
    ...
```

```
def create_model(trial):
    n_layers = trial.suggest_int('n_layers', 1, 3)

    layers = []
    for i in range(n_layers):
        n_units = int(trial.suggest_loguniform('n_units_l{}'.format(i), 4, 128))
        layers.append(L.Linear(None, n_units))
        layers.append(F.relu)
        layers.append(L.Linear(None, 10))

    return chainer.Sequential(*layers)
```

Please also refer to [examples](#).

### Note on the Number of Parameters

The difficulty of optimization increases roughly exponentially with regard to the number of parameters. That is, the number of necessary trials increases exponentially when you increase the number of parameters, so it is recommended to not add unimportant parameters.

### Arguments for `Study.optimize`

The method `optimize()` (and `optuna study optimize` CLI command as well) has several useful options such as `timeout`. For details, please refer to the API reference for `optimize()`.

**FYI:** If you give neither `n_trials` nor `timeout` options, the optimization continues until it receives a termination signal such as `Ctrl+C` or `SIGTERM`. This is useful for use cases such as when it is hard to estimate the computational costs required to optimize your objective function.

**Total running time of the script:** ( 0 minutes 0.000 seconds)

### 6.2.3 Saving/Resuming Study with RDB Backend

An RDB backend enables persistent experiments (i.e., to save and resume a study) as well as access to history of studies. In addition, we can run multi-node optimization tasks with this feature, which is described in *Distributed Optimization*.

In this section, let's try simple examples running on a local environment with SQLite DB.

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**Note:** You can also utilize other RDB backends, e.g., PostgreSQL or MySQL, by setting the storage argument to the DB's URL. Please refer to [SQLAlchemy's document](#) for how to set up the URL.

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#### New Study

We can create a persistent study by calling `create_study()` function as follows. An SQLite file `example.db` is automatically initialized with a new study record.

```
import optuna
study_name = 'example-study' # Unique identifier of the study.
study = optuna.create_study(study_name=study_name, storage='sqlite:///example.db')
```

To run a study, call `optimize()` method passing an objective function.

```
def objective(trial):
    x = trial.suggest_uniform('x', -10, 10)
    return (x - 2) ** 2

study.optimize(objective, n_trials=3)
```

#### Resume Study

To resume a study, instantiate a `Study` object passing the study name `example-study` and the DB URL `sqlite:///example.db`.

```
study = optuna.create_study(study_name='example-study', storage='sqlite:///example.db',
↪ load_if_exists=True)
study.optimize(objective, n_trials=3)
```

#### Experimental History

We can access histories of studies and trials via the `Study` class. For example, we can get all trials of `example-study` as:

```
import optuna
study = optuna.create_study(study_name='example-study', storage='sqlite:///example.db',
↪ load_if_exists=True)
df = study.trials_dataframe(attrs=('number', 'value', 'params', 'state'))
```

The method `trials_dataframe()` returns a pandas dataframe like:

```
print(df)
```

Out:

	number	value	params_x	state
0	0	25.301959	-3.030105	COMPLETE
1	1	1.406223	0.814157	COMPLETE
2	2	44.010366	-4.634031	COMPLETE
3	3	55.872181	9.474770	COMPLETE
4	4	113.039223	-8.631991	COMPLETE
5	5	57.319570	9.570969	COMPLETE

A `Study` object also provides properties such as `trials`, `best_value`, `best_params` (see also *First Optimization*).

```
study.best_params # Get best parameters for the objective function.
study.best_value # Get best objective value.
study.best_trial # Get best trial's information.
study.trials # Get all trials' information.
```

**Total running time of the script:** ( 0 minutes 0.000 seconds)

## 6.2.4 Distributed Optimization

There is no complicated setup but just sharing the same study name among nodes/processes.

First, create a shared study using `optuna create-study` command (or using `optuna.create_study()` in a Python script).

```
$ optuna create-study --study-name "distributed-example" --storage "sqlite:///example.
↳db"
[I 2020-07-21 13:43:39,642] A new study created with name: distributed-example
```

Then, write an optimization script. Let's assume that `foo.py` contains the following code.

```
import optuna

def objective(trial):
    x = trial.suggest_uniform('x', -10, 10)
    return (x - 2) ** 2

if __name__ == '__main__':
    study = optuna.load_study(study_name='distributed-example', storage='sqlite:///
↳example.db')
    study.optimize(objective, n_trials=100)
```

Finally, run the shared study from multiple processes. For example, run `Process 1` in a terminal, and do `Process 2` in another one. They get parameter suggestions based on shared trials' history.

Process 1:

```
$ python foo.py
[I 2020-07-21 13:45:02,973] Trial 0 finished with value: 45.35553104173011 and
↳parameters: {'x': 8.73465151598285}. Best is trial 0 with value: 45.35553104173011.
[I 2020-07-21 13:45:04,013] Trial 2 finished with value: 4.6002397305938905 and
↳parameters: {'x': 4.144816945707463}. Best is trial 1 with value: 0.
↳028194513284051464.
...
```

Process 2 (the same command as process 1):

```
$ python foo.py
[I 2020-07-21 13:45:03,748] Trial 1 finished with value: 0.028194513284051464 and
↳parameters: {'x': 1.8320877810162361}. Best is trial 1 with value: 0.
↳028194513284051464.
[I 2020-07-21 13:45:05,783] Trial 3 finished with value: 24.45966755098074 and
↳parameters: {'x': 6.945671597566982}. Best is trial 1 with value: 0.
↳028194513284051464.
...
```

**Note:** We do not recommend SQLite for large scale distributed optimizations because it may cause serious performance issues. Please consider to use another database engine like PostgreSQL or MySQL.

**Note:** Please avoid putting the SQLite database on NFS when running distributed optimizations. See also: <https://www.sqlite.org/faq.html#q5>

**Total running time of the script:** ( 0 minutes 0.000 seconds)

## 6.2.5 Command-Line Interface

Command	Description
create-study	Create a new study.
delete-study	Delete a specified study.
dashboard	Launch web dashboard (beta).
storage upgrade	Upgrade the schema of a storage.
studies	Show a list of studies.
study optimize	Start optimization of a study.
study set-user-attr	Set a user attribute to a study.

Optuna provides command-line interface as shown in the above table.

Let us assume you are not in IPython shell and writing Python script files instead. It is totally fine to write scripts like the following:

```
import optuna

def objective(trial):
    x = trial.suggest_uniform('x', -10, 10)
    return (x - 2) ** 2

if __name__ == '__main__':
    study = optuna.create_study()
    study.optimize(objective, n_trials=100)
    print('Best value: {} (params: {})\n'.format(study.best_value, study.best_params))
```

Out:

```
Best value: 7.533232621133377e-06 (params: {'x': 1.9972553265000854})
```



However, we can reduce boilerplate codes by using our `optuna` command. Let us assume that `foo.py` contains only the following code.

```
def objective(trial):
    x = trial.suggest_uniform('x', -10, 10)
    return (x - 2) ** 2
```

Even so, we can invoke the optimization as follows. (Don't care about `--storage sqlite:///example.db` for now, which is described in *Saving/Resuming Study with RDB Backend*.)

```
$ cat foo.py
def objective(trial):
    x = trial.suggest_uniform('x', -10, 10)
    return (x - 2) ** 2

$ STUDY_NAME=`optuna create-study --storage sqlite:///example.db`
$ optuna study optimize foo.py objective --n-trials=100 --storage sqlite:///example.
↪db --study-name $STUDY_NAME
[I 2018-05-09 10:40:25,196] Finished a trial resulted in value: 54.353767789264026.
↪Current best value is 54.353767789264026 with parameters: {'x': -5.372500782588228}.
[I 2018-05-09 10:40:25,197] Finished a trial resulted in value: 15.784266965526376.
↪Current best value is 15.784266965526376 with parameters: {'x': 5.972941852774387}.
...
[I 2018-05-09 10:40:26,204] Finished a trial resulted in value: 14.704254135013741.
↪Current best value is 2.280758099793617e-06 with parameters: {'x': 1.
↪9984897821018828}.
```

Please note that `foo.py` only contains the definition of the objective function. By giving the script file name and the method name of objective function to `optuna study optimize` command, we can invoke the optimization.

**Total running time of the script:** ( 0 minutes 0.342 seconds)

## 6.2.6 User Attributes

This feature is to annotate experiments with user-defined attributes.

### Adding User Attributes to Studies

A `Study` object provides `set_user_attr()` method to register a pair of key and value as an user-defined attribute. A key is supposed to be a `str`, and a value be any object serializable with `json.dumps`.

```
import sklearn.datasets
import sklearn.model_selection
import sklearn.svm

import optuna

study = optuna.create_study(storage='sqlite:///example.db')
study.set_user_attr('contributors', ['Akiba', 'Sano'])
study.set_user_attr('dataset', 'MNIST')
```

We can access annotated attributes with `user_attr` property.

```
study.user_attrs # {'contributors': ['Akiba', 'Sano'], 'dataset': 'MNIST'}
```

Out:

```
{'contributors': ['Akiba', 'Sano'], 'dataset': 'MNIST'}
```

`StudySummary` object, which can be retrieved by `get_all_study_summaries()`, also contains user-defined attributes.

```
study_summaries = optuna.get_all_study_summaries('sqlite:///example.db')
study_summaries[0].user_attrs # {'contributors': ['Akiba', 'Sano'], 'dataset': 'MNIST'
→ }
```

Out:

```
{'contributors': ['Akiba', 'Sano'], 'dataset': 'MNIST'}
```

**See also:**

`optuna study set-user-attr` command, which sets an attribute via command line interface.

### Adding User Attributes to Trials

As with `Study`, a `Trial` object provides `set_user_attr()` method. Attributes are set inside an objective function.

```
def objective(trial):
    iris = sklearn.datasets.load_iris()
    x, y = iris.data, iris.target

    svc_c = trial.suggest_loguniform('svc_c', 1e-10, 1e10)
    clf = sklearn.svm.SVC(C=svc_c)
    accuracy = sklearn.model_selection.cross_val_score(clf, x, y).mean()

    trial.set_user_attr('accuracy', accuracy)

    return 1.0 - accuracy # return error for minimization

study.optimize(objective, n_trials=1)
```

We can access annotated attributes as:

```
study.trials[0].user_attrs
```

Out:

```
{'accuracy': 0.9266666666666667}
```

Note that, in this example, the attribute is not annotated to a `Study` but a single `Trial`.

**Total running time of the script:** ( 0 minutes 1.310 seconds)

## 6.2.7 Pruning Unpromising Trials

This feature automatically stops unpromising trials at the early stages of the training (a.k.a., automated early-stopping). Optuna provides interfaces to concisely implement the pruning mechanism in iterative training algorithms.

### Activating Pruners

To turn on the pruning feature, you need to call `report()` and `should_prune()` after each step of the iterative training. `report()` periodically monitors the intermediate objective values. `should_prune()` decides termination of the trial that does not meet a predefined condition.

```
import sklearn.datasets
import sklearn.linear_model
import sklearn.model_selection

import optuna

def objective(trial):
    iris = sklearn.datasets.load_iris()
    classes = list(set(iris.target))
    train_x, valid_x, train_y, valid_y = \
        sklearn.model_selection.train_test_split(iris.data, iris.target, test_size=0.
↪25, random_state=0)

    alpha = trial.suggest_loguniform('alpha', 1e-5, 1e-1)
    clf = sklearn.linear_model.SGDClassifier(alpha=alpha)

    for step in range(100):
        clf.partial_fit(train_x, train_y, classes=classes)

        # Report intermediate objective value.
        intermediate_value = 1.0 - clf.score(valid_x, valid_y)
        trial.report(intermediate_value, step)

        # Handle pruning based on the intermediate value.
        if trial.should_prune():
            raise optuna.TrialPruned()

    return 1.0 - clf.score(valid_x, valid_y)
```

Set up the median stopping rule as the pruning condition.

```
study = optuna.create_study(pruner=optuna.pruners.MedianPruner())
study.optimize(objective, n_trials=20)
```

Executing the script above:

```
$ python prune.py
[I 2020-06-12 16:54:23,876] Trial 0 finished with value: 0.3157894736842105 and
↪parameters: {'alpha': 0.00181467547181131}. Best is trial 0 with value: 0.
↪3157894736842105.
[I 2020-06-12 16:54:23,981] Trial 1 finished with value: 0.07894736842105265 and
↪parameters: {'alpha': 0.015378744419287613}. Best is trial 1 with value: 0.
↪07894736842105265.
[I 2020-06-12 16:54:24,083] Trial 2 finished with value: 0.21052631578947367 and
↪parameters: {'alpha': 0.04089428832878595}. Best is trial 1 with value: 0.
↪07894736842105265.
```

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```
[I 2020-06-12 16:54:24,185] Trial 3 finished with value: 0.052631578947368474 and
↳parameters: {'alpha': 0.004018735937374473}. Best is trial 3 with value: 0.
↳052631578947368474.
[I 2020-06-12 16:54:24,303] Trial 4 finished with value: 0.07894736842105265 and
↳parameters: {'alpha': 2.805688697062864e-05}. Best is trial 3 with value: 0.
↳052631578947368474.
[I 2020-06-12 16:54:24,315] Trial 5 pruned.
[I 2020-06-12 16:54:24,355] Trial 6 pruned.
[I 2020-06-12 16:54:24,511] Trial 7 finished with value: 0.052631578947368474 and
↳parameters: {'alpha': 2.243775785299103e-05}. Best is trial 3 with value: 0.
↳052631578947368474.
[I 2020-06-12 16:54:24,625] Trial 8 finished with value: 0.1842105263157895 and
↳parameters: {'alpha': 0.007021209286214553}. Best is trial 3 with value: 0.
↳052631578947368474.
[I 2020-06-12 16:54:24,629] Trial 9 pruned.
...
```

Trial 5 pruned., etc. in the log messages means several trials were stopped before they finished all of the iterations.

## Integration Modules for Pruning

To implement pruning mechanism in much simpler forms, Optuna provides integration modules for the following libraries.

For the complete list of Optuna's integration modules, see *integration*.

For example, *XGBoostPruningCallback* introduces pruning without directly changing the logic of training iteration. (See also *example* for the entire script.)

```
pruning_callback = optuna.integration.XGBoostPruningCallback(trial, 'validation-error
↳')
bst = xgb.train(param, dtrain, evals=[(dvalid, 'validation')], callbacks=[pruning_
↳callback])
```

**Total running time of the script:** ( 0 minutes 1.368 seconds)

## 6.2.8 User-Defined Sampler

Thanks to user-defined samplers, you can:

- experiment your own sampling algorithms,
- implement task-specific algorithms to refine the optimization performance, or
- wrap other optimization libraries to integrate them into Optuna pipelines (e.g., *SkoptSampler*).

This section describes the internal behavior of sampler classes and shows an example of implementing a user-defined sampler.

## Overview of Sampler

A sampler has the responsibility to determine the parameter values to be evaluated in a trial. When a *suggest* API (e.g., *suggest\_uniform()*) is called inside an objective function, the corresponding distribution object (e.g., *UniformDistribution*) is created internally. A sampler samples a parameter value from the distribution. The sampled value is returned to the caller of the *suggest* API and evaluated in the objective function.

To create a new sampler, you need to define a class that inherits *BaseSampler*. The base class has three abstract methods; *infer\_relative\_search\_space()*, *sample\_relative()*, and *sample\_independent()*.

As the method names imply, Optuna supports two types of sampling: one is **relative sampling** that can consider the correlation of the parameters in a trial, and the other is **independent sampling** that samples each parameter independently.

At the beginning of a trial, *infer\_relative\_search\_space()* is called to provide the relative search space for the trial. Then, *sample\_relative()* is invoked to sample relative parameters from the search space. During the execution of the objective function, *sample\_independent()* is used to sample parameters that don't belong to the relative search space.

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**Note:** Please refer to the document of *BaseSampler* for further details.

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## An Example: Implementing SimulatedAnnealingSampler

For example, the following code defines a sampler based on Simulated Annealing (SA):

```
import numpy as np
import optuna

class SimulatedAnnealingSampler(optuna.samplers.BaseSampler):
    def __init__(self, temperature=100):
        self._rng = np.random.RandomState()
        self._temperature = temperature # Current temperature.
        self._current_trial = None # Current state.

    def sample_relative(self, study, trial, search_space):
        if search_space == {}:
            return {}

        #
        # An implementation of SA algorithm.
        #

        # Calculate transition probability.
        prev_trial = study.trials[-2]
        if self._current_trial is None or prev_trial.value <= self._current_trial.
↪value:
            probability = 1.0
        else:
            probability = np.exp((self._current_trial.value - prev_trial.value) /_
↪self._temperature)
        self._temperature *= 0.9 # Decrease temperature.

        # Transit the current state if the previous result is accepted.
        if self._rng.uniform(0, 1) < probability:
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```

        self._current_trial = prev_trial

        # Sample parameters from the neighborhood of the current point.
        #
        # The sampled parameters will be used during the next execution of
        # the objective function passed to the study.
        params = {}
        for param_name, param_distribution in search_space.items():
            if not isinstance(param_distribution, optuna.distributions.
↪UniformDistribution):
                raise NotImplementedError('Only suggest_uniform() is supported')

            current_value = self._current_trial.params[param_name]
            width = (param_distribution.high - param_distribution.low) * 0.1
            neighbor_low = max(current_value - width, param_distribution.low)
            neighbor_high = min(current_value + width, param_distribution.high)
            params[param_name] = self._rng.uniform(neighbor_low, neighbor_high)

        return params

        #
        # The rest is boilerplate code and unrelated to SA algorithm.
        #
        def infer_relative_search_space(self, study, trial):
            return optuna.samplers.intersection_search_space(study)

        def sample_independent(self, study, trial, param_name, param_distribution):
            independent_sampler = optuna.samplers.RandomSampler()
            return independent_sampler.sample_independent(study, trial, param_name, param_
↪distribution)

```

**Note:** In favor of code simplicity, the above implementation doesn't support some features (e.g., maximization). If you're interested in how to support those features, please see [examples/samplers/simulated\\_annealing.py](#).

You can use `SimulatedAnnealingSampler` in the same way as built-in samplers as follows:

```

def objective(trial):
    x = trial.suggest_uniform('x', -10, 10)
    y = trial.suggest_uniform('y', -5, 5)
    return x**2 + y

sampler = SimulatedAnnealingSampler()
study = optuna.create_study(sampler=sampler)
study.optimize(objective, n_trials=100)

```

In this optimization, the values of `x` and `y` parameters are sampled by using `SimulatedAnnealingSampler.sample_relative` method.

**Note:** Strictly speaking, in the first trial, `SimulatedAnnealingSampler.sample_independent` method is used to sample parameter values. Because `intersection_search_space()` used in `SimulatedAnnealingSampler.infer_relative_search_space` cannot infer the search space if there are no complete trials.

**Total running time of the script:** ( 0 minutes 0.000 seconds)

## 6.3 API Reference

### 6.3.1 optuna

The `optuna` module is primarily used as an alias for basic Optuna functionality coded in other modules. Currently, two modules are aliased: (1) from `optuna.study`, functions regarding the `Study` lifecycle, and (2) from `optuna.exceptions`, the `TrialPruned` Exception raised when a trial is pruned.

<code>optuna.create_study</code>	Create a new <code>Study</code> .
<code>optuna.load_study</code>	Load the existing <code>Study</code> that has the specified name.
<code>optuna.delete_study</code>	Delete a <code>Study</code> object.
<code>optuna.get_all_study_summaries</code>	Get all history of studies stored in a specified storage.
<code>optuna.TrialPruned</code>	Exception for pruned trials.

#### optuna.create\_study

`optuna.create_study`(*storage*: Union[str, optuna.storages.\_base.BaseStorage, None] = None, *sampler*: Optional[samplers.BaseSampler] = None, *pruner*: Optional[optuna.pruners.\_base.BasePruner] = None, *study\_name*: Optional[str] = None, *direction*: str = 'minimize', *load\_if\_exists*: bool = False) → `optuna.study.Study`

Create a new `Study`.

#### Example

```
import optuna

def objective(trial):
    x = trial.suggest_uniform("x", 0, 10)
    return x ** 2

study = optuna.create_study()
study.optimize(objective, n_trials=3)
```

#### Parameters

- **storage** – Database URL. If this argument is set to `None`, in-memory storage is used, and the `Study` will not be persistent.

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#### Note:

When a database URL is passed, Optuna internally uses [SQLAlchemy](#) to handle the database. Please refer to [SQLAlchemy's document](#) for further details. If you want to specify non-default options to [SQLAlchemy Engine](#), you can instantiate `RDBStorage` with your desired options and pass it to the `storage` argument instead of a URL.

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- **sampler** – A sampler object that implements background algorithm for value suggestion. If `None` is specified, `TPESampler` is used as the default. See also `samplers`.

- **pruner** – A pruner object that decides early stopping of unpromising trials. If `None` is specified, `MedianPruner` is used as the default. See also `pruners`.
- **study\_name** – Study’s name. If this argument is set to `None`, a unique name is generated automatically.
- **direction** – Direction of optimization. Set `minimize` for minimization and `maximize` for maximization.
- **load\_if\_exists** – Flag to control the behavior to handle a conflict of study names. In the case where a study named `study_name` already exists in the storage, a `DuplicatedStudyError` is raised if `load_if_exists` is set to `False`. Otherwise, the creation of the study is skipped, and the existing one is returned.

**Returns** A `Study` object.

**Raises** `ValueError` – If `direction` is neither ‘minimize’ nor ‘maximize’.

**See also:**

`optuna.create_study()` is an alias of `optuna.study.create_study()`.

## optuna.load\_study

`optuna.load_study(study_name: str, storage: Union[str, optuna.storages._base.BaseStorage], sampler: Optional[samplers.BaseSampler] = None, pruner: Optional[optuna.pruners._base.BasePruner] = None) → optuna.study.Study`

Load the existing `Study` that has the specified name.

### Example

```
import optuna

def objective(trial):
    x = trial.suggest_float("x", 0, 10)
    return x ** 2

study = optuna.create_study(storage="sqlite:///example.db", study_name="my_study")
study.optimize(objective, n_trials=3)

loaded_study = optuna.load_study(study_name="my_study", storage="sqlite:///
↪example.db")
assert len(loaded_study.trials) == len(study.trials)
```

### Parameters

- **study\_name** – Study’s name. Each study has a unique name as an identifier.
- **storage** – Database URL such as `sqlite:///example.db`. Please see also the documentation of `create_study()` for further details.
- **sampler** – A sampler object that implements background algorithm for value suggestion. If `None` is specified, `TPESampler` is used as the default. See also `samplers`.
- **pruner** – A pruner object that decides early stopping of unpromising trials. If `None` is specified, `MedianPruner` is used as the default. See also `pruners`.



**See also:**

`optuna.load_study()` is an alias of `optuna.study.load_study()`.

**optuna.delete\_study**

`optuna.delete_study(study_name: str, storage: Union[str, optuna.storages._base.BaseStorage]) → None`  
Delete a `Study` object.

**Example**

```
import optuna

def objective(trial):
    x = trial.suggest_float("x", -10, 10)
    return (x - 2) ** 2

study = optuna.create_study(study_name="example-study", storage="sqlite:///
→example.db")
study.optimize(objective, n_trials=3)

optuna.delete_study(study_name="example-study", storage="sqlite:///example.db")
```

**Parameters**

- **study\_name** – Study’s name.
- **storage** – Database URL such as `sqlite:///example.db`. Please see also the documentation of `create_study()` for further details.

**See also:**

`optuna.delete_study()` is an alias of `optuna.study.delete_study()`.

**optuna.get\_all\_study\_summaries**

`optuna.get_all_study_summaries(storage: Union[str, optuna.storages._base.BaseStorage]) → List[optuna._study_summary.StudySummary]`  
Get all history of studies stored in a specified storage.

**Example**

```
import optuna

def objective(trial):
    x = trial.suggest_float("x", -10, 10)
    return (x - 2) ** 2

study = optuna.create_study(study_name="example-study", storage="sqlite:///
→example.db")
```

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```

study.optimize(objective, n_trials=3)

study_summaries = optuna.study.get_all_study_summaries(storage="sqlite:///example.
↳db")
assert len(study_summaries) == 1

study_summary = study_summaries[0]
assert study_summary.study_name == "example-study"

```

**Parameters** `storage` – Database URL such as `sqlite:///example.db`. Please see also the documentation of `create_study()` for further details.

**Returns** List of study history summarized as `StudySummary` objects.

**See also:**

`optuna.get_all_study_summaries()` is an alias of `optuna.study.get_all_study_summaries()`.

## optuna.TrialPruned

**exception** `optuna.TrialPruned`

Exception for pruned trials.

This error tells a trainer that the current `Trial` was pruned. It is supposed to be raised after `optuna.trial.Trial.should_prune()` as shown in the following example.

**See also:**

`optuna.TrialPruned` is an alias of `optuna.exceptions.TrialPruned`.

## Example

```

import numpy as np
from sklearn.datasets import load_iris
from sklearn.linear_model import SGDClassifier
from sklearn.model_selection import train_test_split

import optuna

X, y = load_iris(return_X_y=True)
X_train, X_valid, y_train, y_valid = train_test_split(X, y)
classes = np.unique(y)

def objective(trial):
    alpha = trial.suggest_uniform("alpha", 0.0, 1.0)
    clf = SGDClassifier(alpha=alpha)
    n_train_iter = 100

    for step in range(n_train_iter):
        clf.partial_fit(X_train, y_train, classes=classes)

        intermediate_value = clf.score(X_valid, y_valid)
        trial.report(intermediate_value, step)

```

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```

    if trial.should_prune():
        raise optuna.TrialPruned()

    return clf.score(X_valid, y_valid)

study = optuna.create_study(direction="maximize")
study.optimize(objective, n_trials=20)

```

### 6.3.2 optuna.cli

The `cli` module implements Optuna's command-line functionality using the `cliff` framework.

```

optuna
  [--version]
  [-v | -q]
  [--log-file LOG_FILE]
  [--debug]
  [--storage STORAGE]

```

#### **--version**

show program's version number and exit

#### **-v, --verbose**

Increase verbosity of output. Can be repeated.

#### **-q, --quiet**

Suppress output except warnings and errors.

#### **--log-file <LOG\_FILE>**

Specify a file to log output. Disabled by default.

#### **--debug**

Show tracebacks on errors.

#### **--storage <STORAGE>**

DB URL. (e.g. `sqlite:///example.db`)

### create-study

Create a new study.

```

optuna create-study
  [--study-name STUDY_NAME]
  [--direction {minimize,maximize}]
  [--skip-if-exists]

```

#### **--study-name <STUDY\_NAME>**

A human-readable name of a study to distinguish it from others.

#### **--direction <DIRECTION>**

Set direction of optimization to a new study. Set 'minimize' for minimization and 'maximize' for maximization.

#### **--skip-if-exists**

If specified, the creation of the study is skipped without any error when the study name is duplicated.

This command is provided by the optuna plugin.

### dashboard

Launch web dashboard (beta).

```
optuna dashboard
  [--study STUDY]
  [--study-name STUDY_NAME]
  [--out OUT]
  [--allow-websocket-origin BOKEH_ALLOW_WEBSOCKET_ORIGINS]
```

**--study** <STUDY>

This argument is deprecated. Use `--study-name` instead.

**--study-name** <STUDY\_NAME>

The name of the study to show on the dashboard.

**--out** <OUT>, **-o** <OUT>

Output HTML file path. If it is not given, a HTTP server starts and the dashboard is served.

**--allow-websocket-origin** <BOKEH\_ALLOW\_WEBSOCKET\_ORIGINS>

Allow websocket access from the specified host(s). Internally, it is used as the value of bokeh's `--allow-websocket-origin` option. Please refer to <https://bokeh.pydata.org/en/latest/docs/reference/command/subcommands/serve.html> for more details.

This command is provided by the optuna plugin.

### delete-study

Delete a specified study.

```
optuna delete-study [--study-name STUDY_NAME]
```

**--study-name** <STUDY\_NAME>

The name of the study to delete.

This command is provided by the optuna plugin.

### storage upgrade

Upgrade the schema of a storage.

```
optuna storage upgrade
```

This command is provided by the optuna plugin.

## studies

Show a list of studies.

```
optuna studies
  [-f {csv,json,table,value,yaml}]
  [-c COLUMN]
  [--quote {all,minimal,none,nonnumeric}]
  [--noindent]
  [--max-width <integer>]
  [--fit-width]
  [--print-empty]
  [--sort-column SORT_COLUMN]
```

**-f** <FORMATTER>, **--format** <FORMATTER>  
the output format, defaults to table

**-c** COLUMN, **--column** COLUMN  
specify the column(s) to include, can be repeated to show multiple columns

**--quote** <QUOTE\_MODE>  
when to include quotes, defaults to nonnumeric

**--noindent**  
whether to disable indenting the JSON

**--max-width** <integer>  
Maximum display width, <1 to disable. You can also use the CLIFF\_MAX\_TERM\_WIDTH environment variable, but the parameter takes precedence.

**--fit-width**  
Fit the table to the display width. Implied if `--max-width` greater than 0. Set the environment variable CLIFF\_FIT\_WIDTH=1 to always enable

**--print-empty**  
Print empty table if there is no data to show.

**--sort-column** SORT\_COLUMN  
specify the column(s) to sort the data (columns specified first have a priority, non-existing columns are ignored), can be repeated

This command is provided by the optuna plugin.

## study optimize

Start optimization of a study. Deprecated since version 2.0.0.

```
optuna study optimize
  [--n-trials N_TRIALS]
  [--timeout TIMEOUT]
  [--n-jobs N_JOBS]
  [--study STUDY]
  [--study-name STUDY_NAME]
  file
  method
```

**--n-trials** <N\_TRIALS>  
The number of trials. If this argument is not given, as many trials run as possible.

**--timeout** <TIMEOUT>  
Stop study after the given number of second(s). If this argument is not given, as many trials run as possible.

**--n-jobs** <N\_JOBS>  
The number of parallel jobs. If this argument is set to -1, the number is set to CPU counts.

**--study** <STUDY>  
This argument is deprecated. Use `--study-name` instead.

**--study-name** <STUDY\_NAME>  
The name of the study to start optimization on.

**file**  
Python script file where the objective function resides.

**method**  
The method name of the objective function.

This command is provided by the optuna plugin.

### study set-user-attr

Set a user attribute to a study.

```
optuna study set-user-attr
  [--study STUDY]
  [--study-name STUDY_NAME]
  --key KEY
  --value VALUE
```

**--study** <STUDY>  
This argument is deprecated. Use `--study-name` instead.

**--study-name** <STUDY\_NAME>  
The name of the study to set the user attribute to.

**--key** <KEY>, **-k** <KEY>  
Key of the user attribute.

**--value** <VALUE>, **-v** <VALUE>  
Value to be set.

This command is provided by the optuna plugin.

## 6.3.3 optuna.distributions

The `distributions` module defines various classes representing probability distributions, mainly used to suggest initial hyperparameter values for an optimization trial. Distribution classes inherit from a library-internal `BaseDistribution`, and is initialized with specific parameters, such as the low and high endpoints for a `UniformDistribution`.

Optuna users should not use distribution classes directly, but instead use utility functions provided by `Trial` such as `suggest_int()`.

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`optuna.distributions.`  
`UniformDistribution`

A uniform distribution in the linear domain.

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<code>optuna.distributions. LogUniformDistribution</code>	A uniform distribution in the log domain.
<code>optuna.distributions. DiscreteUniformDistribution</code>	A discretized uniform distribution in the linear domain.
<code>optuna.distributions. IntUniformDistribution</code>	A uniform distribution on integers.
<code>optuna.distributions. IntLogUniformDistribution</code>	A uniform distribution on integers in the log domain.
<code>optuna.distributions. CategoricalDistribution</code>	A categorical distribution.
<code>optuna.distributions. distribution_to_json</code>	Serialize a distribution to JSON format.
<code>optuna.distributions. json_to_distribution</code>	Deserialize a distribution in JSON format.
<code>optuna.distributions. check_distribution_compatibility</code>	A function to check compatibility of two distributions.

### optuna.distributions.UniformDistribution

**class** `optuna.distributions.UniformDistribution` (*low: float, high: float*)

A uniform distribution in the linear domain.

This object is instantiated by `suggest_uniform()`, and passed to `samplers` in general.

**low**

Lower endpoint of the range of the distribution. `low` is included in the range.

**high**

Upper endpoint of the range of the distribution. `high` is excluded from the range.

**Raises** `ValueError` – If `low` value is larger than `high` value.

#### Methods

<code>single()</code>	Test whether the range of this distribution contains just a single value.
<code>to_external_repr(param_value_in_internal_repr)</code>	Convert internal representation of a parameter value into external representation.
<code>to_internal_repr(param_value_in_external_repr)</code>	Convert external representation of a parameter value into internal representation.

**single()** → `bool`

Test whether the range of this distribution contains just a single value.

**Returns** `True` if the range of this distribution contains just a single value, otherwise `False`.

**to\_external\_repr** (*param\_value\_in\_internal\_repr: float*) → `Any`

Convert internal representation of a parameter value into external representation.

**Parameters** `param_value_in_internal_repr` – Optuna’s internal representation of a parameter value.

**Returns** Optuna’s external representation of a parameter value.

**to\_internal\_repr** (*param\_value\_in\_external\_repr: Any*) → float

Convert external representation of a parameter value into internal representation.

**Parameters** **param\_value\_in\_external\_repr** – Optuna’s external representation of a parameter value.

**Returns** Optuna’s internal representation of a parameter value.

## optuna.distributions.LogUniformDistribution

**class** optuna.distributions.**LogUniformDistribution** (*low: float, high: float*)

A uniform distribution in the log domain.

This object is instantiated by `suggest_loguniform()`, and passed to `samplers` in general.

**low**

Lower endpoint of the range of the distribution. `low` is included in the range.

**high**

Upper endpoint of the range of the distribution. `high` is excluded from the range.

**Raises** **ValueError** – If `low` value is larger than `high` value, or `low` value is smaller than or equal to 0.

## Methods

<code>single()</code>	Test whether the range of this distribution contains just a single value.
<code>to_external_repr(param_value_in_internal_repr)</code>	Convert internal representation of a parameter value into external representation.
<code>to_internal_repr(param_value_in_external_repr)</code>	Convert external representation of a parameter value into internal representation.

**single** () → bool

Test whether the range of this distribution contains just a single value.

**Returns** `True` if the range of this distribution contains just a single value, otherwise `False`.

**to\_external\_repr** (*param\_value\_in\_internal\_repr: float*) → Any

Convert internal representation of a parameter value into external representation.

**Parameters** **param\_value\_in\_internal\_repr** – Optuna’s internal representation of a parameter value.

**Returns** Optuna’s external representation of a parameter value.

**to\_internal\_repr** (*param\_value\_in\_external\_repr: Any*) → float

Convert external representation of a parameter value into internal representation.

**Parameters** **param\_value\_in\_external\_repr** – Optuna’s external representation of a parameter value.

**Returns** Optuna’s internal representation of a parameter value.



**optuna.distributions.DiscreteUniformDistribution**

**class** optuna.distributions.**DiscreteUniformDistribution** (*low: float, high: float, q: float*)

A discretized uniform distribution in the linear domain.

This object is instantiated by `suggest_discrete_uniform()`, and passed to `samplers` in general.

---

**Note:** If the range  $[low, high]$  is not divisible by  $q$ , `high` will be replaced with the maximum of  $kq + low$  and `high`, where  $k$  is an integer.

---

**low**

Lower endpoint of the range of the distribution. `low` is included in the range.

**high**

Upper endpoint of the range of the distribution. `high` is included in the range.

**q**

A discretization step.

**Raises** `ValueError` – If `low` value is larger than `high` value.

**Methods**


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<code>single()</code>	Test whether the range of this distribution contains just a single value.
<code>to_external_repr(param_value_in_internal_repr)</code>	Convert internal representation of a parameter value into external representation.
<code>to_internal_repr(param_value_in_external_repr)</code>	Convert external representation of a parameter value into internal representation.

---

**single()**  $\rightarrow$  bool

Test whether the range of this distribution contains just a single value.

**Returns** `True` if the range of this distribution contains just a single value, otherwise `False`.

**to\_external\_repr** (*param\_value\_in\_internal\_repr: float*)  $\rightarrow$  Any

Convert internal representation of a parameter value into external representation.

**Parameters** `param_value_in_internal_repr` – Optuna’s internal representation of a parameter value.

**Returns** Optuna’s external representation of a parameter value.

**to\_internal\_repr** (*param\_value\_in\_external\_repr: Any*)  $\rightarrow$  float

Convert external representation of a parameter value into internal representation.

**Parameters** `param_value_in_external_repr` – Optuna’s external representation of a parameter value.

**Returns** Optuna’s internal representation of a parameter value.

## optuna.distributions.IntUniformDistribution

**class** optuna.distributions.IntUniformDistribution (*low: int, high: int, step: int = 1*)  
 A uniform distribution on integers.

This object is instantiated by `suggest_int()`, and passed to `samplers` in general.

---

**Note:** If the range [low, high] is not divisible by step, high will be replaced with the maximum of  $k \times \text{step} + \text{lowhigh}$ , where  $k$  is an integer.

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### low

Lower endpoint of the range of the distribution. low is included in the range.

### high

Upper endpoint of the range of the distribution. high is included in the range.

### step

A step for spacing between values.

**Raises** `ValueError` – If low value is larger than high value, or step value is smaller or equal to 0.

## Methods

<code>single()</code>	Test whether the range of this distribution contains just a single value.
<code>to_external_repr(param_value_in_internal_repr)</code>	Convert internal representation of a parameter value into external representation.
<code>to_internal_repr(param_value_in_external_repr)</code>	Convert external representation of a parameter value into internal representation.

**single()** → bool

Test whether the range of this distribution contains just a single value.

**Returns** `True` if the range of this distribution contains just a single value, otherwise `False`.

**to\_external\_repr** (*param\_value\_in\_internal\_repr: float*) → int

Convert internal representation of a parameter value into external representation.

**Parameters** `param_value_in_internal_repr` – Optuna’s internal representation of a parameter value.

**Returns** Optuna’s external representation of a parameter value.

**to\_internal\_repr** (*param\_value\_in\_external\_repr: int*) → float

Convert external representation of a parameter value into internal representation.

**Parameters** `param_value_in_external_repr` – Optuna’s external representation of a parameter value.

**Returns** Optuna’s internal representation of a parameter value.

## optuna.distributions.IntLogUniformDistribution

**class** optuna.distributions.IntLogUniformDistribution (*low: int, high: int, step: int = 1*)

A uniform distribution on integers in the log domain.

This object is instantiated by `suggest_int()`, and passed to `samplers` in general.

**low**

Lower endpoint of the range of the distribution. `low` is included in the range.

**high**

Upper endpoint of the range of the distribution. `high` is included in the range.

**step**

A step for spacing between values.

**Warning:** Deprecated in v2.0.0. `step` argument will be removed in the future. The removal of this feature is currently scheduled for v4.0.0, but this schedule is subject to change.

Samplers and other components in Optuna relying on this distribution will ignore this value and assume that `step` is always 1. User-defined samplers may continue to use other values besides 1 during the deprecation.

**Raises** `ValueError` – If `low` value is larger than `high` value, or `low` value is smaller than 1.

### Methods

<code>single()</code>	Test whether the range of this distribution contains just a single value.
<code>to_external_repr(param_value_in_internal_repr)</code>	Convert internal representation of a parameter value into external representation.
<code>to_internal_repr(param_value_in_external_repr)</code>	Convert external representation of a parameter value into internal representation.

### Attributes

<code>step</code>
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**single()** → bool

Test whether the range of this distribution contains just a single value.

**Returns** `True` if the range of this distribution contains just a single value, otherwise `False`.

**to\_external\_repr** (*param\_value\_in\_internal\_repr: float*) → int

Convert internal representation of a parameter value into external representation.

**Parameters** `param_value_in_internal_repr` – Optuna’s internal representation of a parameter value.

**Returns** Optuna’s external representation of a parameter value.

**to\_internal\_repr** (*param\_value\_in\_external\_repr: int*) → float

Convert external representation of a parameter value into internal representation.

**Parameters** `param_value_in_external_repr` – Optuna’s external representation of a parameter value.

**Returns** Optuna’s internal representation of a parameter value.

### optuna.distributions.CategoricalDistribution

**class** `optuna.distributions.CategoricalDistribution` (*choices: Sequence[Union[None, bool, int, float, str]]*)

A categorical distribution.

This object is instantiated by `suggest_categorical()`, and passed to `samplers` in general.

**Parameters** `choices` – Parameter value candidates.

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**Note:** Not all types are guaranteed to be compatible with all storages. It is recommended to restrict the types of the choices to `None`, `bool`, `int`, `float` and `str`.

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#### choices

Parameter value candidates.

**Raises** `ValueError` – If `choices` do not contain any elements.

#### Methods

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<code>single()</code>	Test whether the range of this distribution contains just a single value.
<code>to_external_repr(param_value_in_internal_repr)</code>	Convert internal representation of a parameter value into external representation.
<code>to_internal_repr(param_value_in_external_repr)</code>	Convert external representation of a parameter value into internal representation.

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**single()** → `bool`

Test whether the range of this distribution contains just a single value.

**Returns** `True` if the range of this distribution contains just a single value, otherwise `False`.

**to\_external\_repr** (*param\_value\_in\_internal\_repr: float*) → `Union[None, bool, int, float, str]`

Convert internal representation of a parameter value into external representation.

**Parameters** `param_value_in_internal_repr` – Optuna’s internal representation of a parameter value.

**Returns** Optuna’s external representation of a parameter value.

**to\_internal\_repr** (*param\_value\_in\_external\_repr: Union[None, bool, int, float, str]*) → `float`

Convert external representation of a parameter value into internal representation.

**Parameters** `param_value_in_external_repr` – Optuna’s external representation of a parameter value.

**Returns** Optuna’s internal representation of a parameter value.

### optuna.distributions.distribution\_to\_json

`optuna.distributions.distribution_to_json` (*dist*: `optuna.distributions.BaseDistribution`) → `str`

Serialize a distribution to JSON format.

**Parameters** `dist` – A distribution to be serialized.

**Returns** A JSON string of a given distribution.

### optuna.distributions.json\_to\_distribution

`optuna.distributions.json_to_distribution` (*json\_str*: `str`) → `optuna.distributions.BaseDistribution`

Deserialize a distribution in JSON format.

**Parameters** `json_str` – A JSON-serialized distribution.

**Returns** A deserialized distribution.

**Raises** `ValueError` – If the unknown class is specified.

### optuna.distributions.check\_distribution\_compatibility

`optuna.distributions.check_distribution_compatibility` (*dist\_old*: `optuna.distributions.BaseDistribution`, *dist\_new*: `optuna.distributions.BaseDistribution`) → `None`

A function to check compatibility of two distributions.

Note that this method is not supposed to be called by library users.

#### Parameters

- `dist_old` – A distribution previously recorded in storage.
- `dist_new` – A distribution newly added to storage.

**Returns** True denotes given distributions are compatible. Otherwise, they are not.

**Raises** `ValueError` – If different distribution kinds are set to `dist_old` and `dist_new`, or `dist_old.choices` doesn't match `dist_new.choices` for `CategoricalDistribution`.

## 6.3.4 optuna.exceptions

The `exceptions` module defines Optuna-specific exceptions deriving from a base `OptunaError` class. Of special importance for library users is the `TrialPruned` exception to be raised if `optuna.trial.Trial.should_prune()` returns True for a trial that should be pruned.

<code>optuna.exceptions.OptunaError</code>	Base class for Optuna specific errors.
<code>optuna.exceptions.TrialPruned</code>	Exception for pruned trials.
<code>optuna.exceptions.CLIUsageError</code>	Exception for CLI.
<code>optuna.exceptions.StorageInternalError</code>	Exception for storage operation.

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<code>optuna.exceptions.DuplicatedStudyError</code>	Exception for a duplicated study name.
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### `optuna.exceptions.OptunaError`

**exception** `optuna.exceptions.OptunaError`

Base class for Optuna specific errors.

### `optuna.exceptions.TrialPruned`

**exception** `optuna.exceptions.TrialPruned`

Exception for pruned trials.

This error tells a trainer that the current `Trial` was pruned. It is supposed to be raised after `optuna.trial.Trial.should_prune()` as shown in the following example.

**See also:**

`optuna.TrialPruned` is an alias of `optuna.exceptions.TrialPruned`.

### Example

```
import numpy as np
from sklearn.datasets import load_iris
from sklearn.linear_model import SGDClassifier
from sklearn.model_selection import train_test_split

import optuna

X, y = load_iris(return_X_y=True)
X_train, X_valid, y_train, y_valid = train_test_split(X, y)
classes = np.unique(y)

def objective(trial):
    alpha = trial.suggest_uniform("alpha", 0.0, 1.0)
    clf = SGDClassifier(alpha=alpha)
    n_train_iter = 100

    for step in range(n_train_iter):
        clf.partial_fit(X_train, y_train, classes=classes)

        intermediate_value = clf.score(X_valid, y_valid)
        trial.report(intermediate_value, step)

        if trial.should_prune():
            raise optuna.TrialPruned()

    return clf.score(X_valid, y_valid)

study = optuna.create_study(direction="maximize")
study.optimize(objective, n_trials=20)
```

### optuna.exceptions.CLIUsageError

**exception** `optuna.exceptions.CLIUsageError`

Exception for CLI.

CLI raises this exception when it receives invalid configuration.

### optuna.exceptions.StorageInternalError

**exception** `optuna.exceptions.StorageInternalError`

Exception for storage operation.

This error is raised when an operation failed in backend DB of storage.

### optuna.exceptions.DuplicatedStudyError

**exception** `optuna.exceptions.DuplicatedStudyError`

Exception for a duplicated study name.

This error is raised when a specified study name already exists in the storage.

## 6.3.5 optuna.importance

The `importance` module provides functionality for evaluating hyperparameter importances based on completed trials in a given study. The utility function `get_param_importances()` takes a `Study` and optional evaluator as two of its inputs. The evaluator must derive from `BaseImportanceEvaluator`, and is initialized as a `FanovaImportanceEvaluator` by default when not passed in. Users implementing custom evaluators should refer to either `FanovaImportanceEvaluator` or `MeanDecreaseImpurityImportanceEvaluator` as a guide, paying close attention to the format of the return value from the Evaluator's `evaluate()` function.

<code>optuna.importance.get_param_importances</code>	Evaluate parameter importances based on completed trials in the given study.
<code>optuna.importance.FanovaImportanceEvaluator</code>	fANOVA importance evaluator.
<code>optuna.importance.MeanDecreaseImpurityImportanceEvaluator</code>	Mean Decrease Impurity (MDI) parameter importance evaluator.

### optuna.importance.get\_param\_importances

`optuna.importance.get_param_importances` (*study*: `optuna.study.Study`, \*, *evaluator*: `Optional[optuna.importance._base.BaseImportanceEvaluator] = None`, *params*: `Optional[List[str]] = None`) → `Dict[str, float]`

Evaluate parameter importances based on completed trials in the given study.

The parameter importances are returned as a dictionary where the keys consist of parameter names and their values importances. The importances are represented by floating point numbers that sum to 1.0 over the entire dictionary. The higher the value, the more important. The returned dictionary is of type `collections.OrderedDict` and is ordered by its values in a descending order.

If `params` is `None`, all parameter that are present in all of the completed trials are assessed. This implies that conditional parameters will be excluded from the evaluation. To assess the importances of conditional

parameters, a `list` of parameter names can be specified via `params`. If specified, only completed trials that contain all of the parameters will be considered. If no such trials are found, an error will be raised.

If the given study does not contain completed trials, an error will be raised.

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**Note:** If `params` is specified as an empty list, an empty dictionary is returned.

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**See also:**

See `plot_param_importances()` to plot importances.

### Parameters

- **study** – An optimized study.
- **evaluator** – An importance evaluator object that specifies which algorithm to base the importance assessment on. Defaults to `FanovaImportanceEvaluator`.
- **params** – A list of names of parameters to assess. If `None`, all parameters that are present in all of the completed trials are assessed.

**Returns** An `collections.OrderedDict` where the keys are parameter names and the values are assessed importances.

## optuna.importance.FanovaImportanceEvaluator

```
class optuna.importance.FanovaImportanceEvaluator(*, n_trees: int = 64, max_depth: int = 64, seed: Optional[int] = None)
```

fANOVA importance evaluator.

Implements the fANOVA hyperparameter importance evaluation algorithm in [An Efficient Approach for Assessing Hyperparameter Importance](#).

Given a study, fANOVA fits a random forest regression model that predicts the objective value given a parameter configuration. The more accurate this model is, the more reliable the importances assessed by this class are.

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**Note:** Requires the `sklearn` Python package.

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**Note:** Pairwise and higher order importances are not supported through this class. They can be computed using `_Fanova` directly but is not recommended as interfaces may change without prior notice.

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**Note:** The performance of fANOVA depends on the prediction performance of the underlying random forest model. In order to obtain high prediction performance, it is necessary to cover a wide range of the hyperparameter search space. It is recommended to use an exploration-oriented sampler such as `RandomSampler`.

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**Note:** For how to cite the original work, please refer to <https://automl.github.io/fanova/cite.html>.

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### Parameters

- **n\_trees** – The number of trees in the forest.



- **max\_depth** – The maximum depth of the trees in the forest.
- **seed** – Controls the randomness of the forest. For deterministic behavior, specify a value other than `None`.

## Methods

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<code>evaluate(study[, params])</code>	Evaluate parameter importances based on completed trials in the given study.
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**evaluate** (*study*: `optuna.study.Study`, *params*: `Optional[List[str]] = None`) → `Dict[str, float]`  
 Evaluate parameter importances based on completed trials in the given study.

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**Note:** This method is not meant to be called by library users.

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### See also:

Please refer to `get_param_importances()` for how a concrete evaluator should implement this method.

### Parameters

- **study** – An optimized study.
- **params** – A list of names of parameters to assess. If `None`, all parameters that are present in all of the completed trials are assessed.

**Returns** An `collections.OrderedDict` where the keys are parameter names and the values are assessed importances.

## `optuna.importance.MeanDecreaseImpurityImportanceEvaluator`

```
class optuna.importance.MeanDecreaseImpurityImportanceEvaluator (*,
                                                                n_trees:
                                                                int = 64,
                                                                max_depth:
                                                                int = 64, seed:
                                                                Optional[int]
                                                                = None)
```

Mean Decrease Impurity (MDI) parameter importance evaluator.

This evaluator fits a random forest that predicts objective values given hyperparameter configurations. Feature importances are then computed using MDI.

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**Note:** This evaluator requires the `sklean` Python package and is based on `sklearn.ensemble.RandomForestClassifier.feature_importances_`.

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### Parameters

- **n\_trees** – Number of trees in the random forest.
- **max\_depth** – The maximum depth of each tree in the random forest.
- **seed** – Seed for the random forest.

## Methods

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<code>evaluate(study[, params])</code>	Evaluate parameter importances based on completed trials in the given study.
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**evaluate** (*study*: `optuna.study.Study`, *params*: `Optional[List[str]] = None`) → `Dict[str, float]`  
Evaluate parameter importances based on completed trials in the given study.

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**Note:** This method is not meant to be called by library users.

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### See also:

Please refer to `get_param_importances()` for how a concrete evaluator should implement this method.

### Parameters

- **study** – An optimized study.
- **params** – A list of names of parameters to assess. If `None`, all parameters that are present in all of the completed trials are assessed.

**Returns** An `collections.OrderedDict` where the keys are parameter names and the values are assessed importances.

## 6.3.6 optuna.integration

The `integration` module contains classes used to integrate Optuna with external machine learning frameworks.

For most of the ML frameworks supported by Optuna, the corresponding Optuna integration class serves only to implement a callback object and functions, compliant with the framework's specific callback API, to be called with each intermediate step in the model training. The functionality implemented in these callbacks across the different ML frameworks includes:

- (1) Reporting intermediate model scores back to the Optuna trial using `optuna.trial.report()`,
- (2) According to the results of `optuna.trial.Trial.should_prune()`, pruning the current model by raising `optuna.TrialPruned()`, and
- (3) Reporting intermediate Optuna data such as the current trial number back to the framework, as done in `MLflowCallback`.

For scikit-learn, an integrated `OptunaSearchCV` estimator is available that combines scikit-learn `BaseEstimator` functionality with access to a class-level `Study` object.

## AllenNLP

<code>optuna.integration.AllenNLPExecutor</code>	AllenNLP extension to use optuna with Jsonnet config file.
<code>optuna.integration.allennlp.dump_best_config</code>	Save JSON config file after updating with parameters from the best trial in the study.
<code>optuna.integration.AllenNLPPruningCallback</code>	AllenNLP callback to prune unpromising trials.

### optuna.integration.AllenNLPExecutor

```
class optuna.integration.AllenNLPExecutor (trial: optuna.trial._trial.Trial, config_file: str,
 serialization_dir: str, metrics: str = 'best_validation_accuracy', *, include_package: Union[str, List[str], None] = None)
```

AllenNLP extension to use optuna with Jsonnet config file.

This feature is experimental since AllenNLP major release will come soon. The interface may change without prior notice to correspond to the update.

See the examples of [objective function](#).

You can also see the tutorial of our AllenNLP integration on [AllenNLP Guide](#).

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**Note:** From Optuna v2.1.0, users have to cast their parameters by using methods in Jsonnet. Call `std.parseInt` for integer, or `std.parseJson` for floating point. Please see the [example configuration](#).

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**Note:** In `AllenNLPExecutor`, you can pass parameters to AllenNLP by either defining a search space using Optuna suggest methods or setting environment variables just like AllenNLP CLI. If a value is set in both a search space in Optuna and the environment variables, the executor will use the value specified in the search space in Optuna.

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#### Parameters

- **trial** – A `Trial` corresponding to the current evaluation of the objective function.
- **config\_file** – Config file for AllenNLP. Hyperparameters should be masked with `std.extVar`. Please refer to [the config example](#).
- **serialization\_dir** – A path which model weights and logs are saved.
- **metrics** – An evaluation metric for the result of `objective`.
- **include\_package** – Additional packages to include. For more information, please see [AllenNLP documentation](#).

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**Note:** Added in v1.4.0 as an experimental feature. The interface may change in newer versions without prior notice. See <https://github.com/optuna/optuna/releases/tag/v1.4.0>.

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## Methods

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<code>run()</code>	Train a model using AllenNLP.
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`run()` → float  
Train a model using AllenNLP.

### `optuna.integration.allennlp.dump_best_config`

`optuna.integration.allennlp.dump_best_config` (*input\_config\_file*: str, *output\_config\_file*: str, *study*: `optuna.study.Study`) → None

Save JSON config file after updating with parameters from the best trial in the study.

#### Parameters

- **input\_config\_file** – Input Jsonnet config file used with `AllenNLPExecutor`.
- **output\_config\_file** – Output JSON config file.
- **study** – Instance of `Study`. Note that `optimize()` must have been called.

### `optuna.integration.AllenNLPPruningCallback`

`class optuna.integration.AllenNLPPruningCallback` (*trial*: `Optional[optuna.trial._trial.Trial]` = None, *monitor*: `Optional[str]` = None)

AllenNLP callback to prune unpromising trials.

See [the example](#) if you want to add a pruning callback which observes a metric.

You can also see the tutorial of our AllenNLP integration on [AllenNLP Guide](#).

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**Note:** When `AllenNLPPruningCallback` is instantiated in Python script, `trial` and `monitor` are mandatory.

On the other hand, when `AllenNLPPruningCallback` is used with `AllenNLPExecutor`, `trial` and `monitor` would be None. `AllenNLPExecutor` sets environment variables for a study name, trial id, monitor, and storage. Then `AllenNLPPruningCallback` loads them to restore `trial` and `monitor`.

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#### Parameters

- **trial** – A `Trial` corresponding to the current evaluation of the objective function.
- **monitor** – An evaluation metric for pruning, e.g. `validation_loss` or `validation_accuracy`.

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**Note:** Added in v2.0.0 as an experimental feature. The interface may change in newer versions without prior notice. See <https://github.com/optuna/optuna/releases/tag/v2.0.0>.

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## Methods

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`register(*args, **kwargs)`

 Stub method for *EpochCallback.register*.
 

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**classmethod register** (\*args: Any, \*\*kwargs: Any) → Callable

Stub method for *EpochCallback.register*.

This method has the same signature as *Registrable.register* in AllenNLP.

## Catalyst

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`optuna.integration.`

 Catalyst callback to prune unpromising trials.
 

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`CatalystPruningCallback`


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### optuna.integration.CatalystPruningCallback

**class** `optuna.integration.CatalystPruningCallback` (*trial*: `optuna.trial._trial.Trial`, *metric*: *str* = 'loss')

Catalyst callback to prune unpromising trials.

See [the example](#) if you want to add a pruning callback which observes the accuracy of Catalyst's *SupervisedRunner*.

#### Parameters

- **trial** – A *Trial* corresponding to the current evaluation of the objective function.
- **metric** (*str*) – Name of a metric, which is passed to `catalyst.core.State.valid_metrics` dictionary to fetch the value of metric computed on validation set. Pruning decision is made based on this value.

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**Note:** Added in v2.0.0 as an experimental feature. The interface may change in newer versions without prior notice. See <https://github.com/optuna/optuna/releases/tag/v2.0.0>.

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## Methods

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`on_epoch_end(state)`


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## Chainer

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`optuna.integration.`

 Chainer extension to prune unpromising trials.
 

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`ChainerPruningExtension`


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`optuna.integration.ChainerMNStudy`


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 A wrapper of *Study* to incorporate Optuna with ChainerMN.
 

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## optuna.integration.ChainerPruningExtension

```
class optuna.integration.ChainerPruningExtension (trial: optuna.trial.Trial, observation_key: str, pruner_trigger: Union[Tuple[int, str], IntervalTrigger, ManualScheduleTrigger])
```

Chainer extension to prune unpromising trials.

See the [example](#) if you want to add a pruning extension which observes validation accuracy of a [Chainer Trainer](#).

### Parameters

- **trial** – A *Trial* corresponding to the current evaluation of the objective function.
- **observation\_key** – An evaluation metric for pruning, e.g., main/loss and validation/main/accuracy. Please refer to [chainer.Reporter](#) reference for further details.
- **pruner\_trigger** – A trigger to execute pruning. `pruner_trigger` is an instance of [IntervalTrigger](#) or [ManualScheduleTrigger](#). [IntervalTrigger](#) can be specified by a tuple of the interval length and its unit like `(1, 'epoch')`.

## optuna.integration.ChainerMNStudy

```
class optuna.integration.ChainerMNStudy (study: optuna.study.Study, comm: CommunicatorBase)
```

A wrapper of *Study* to incorporate Optuna with ChainerMN.

### See also:

[ChainerMNStudy](#) provides the same interface as *Study*. Please refer to [optuna.study.Study](#) for further details.

See the [example](#) if you want to optimize an objective function that trains neural network written with [ChainerMN](#).

### Parameters

- **study** – A *Study* object.
- **comm** – A [ChainerMN](#) communicator.

### Methods

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<code>optimize(func[, n_trials, timeout, catch])</code>	Optimize an objective function.
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```
optimize (func: Callable[[ChainerMNTrial, CommunicatorBase], float], n_trials: Optional[int] = None, timeout: Optional[float] = None, catch: Tuple[Type[Exception], ...] = ()) → None
```

Optimize an objective function.

This method provides the same interface as [optuna.study.Study.optimize\(\)](#) except the absence of `n_jobs` argument.

**fast.ai**


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`optuna.integration.  
FastAIPruningCallback`

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FastAI callback to prune unpromising trials for fastai.

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**optuna.integration.FastAIPruningCallback**

**class** `optuna.integration.FastAIPruningCallback` (*learn*: `Learner`, *trial*: `optuna.trial._trial.Trial`, *monitor*: `str`)  
 FastAI callback to prune unpromising trials for fastai.

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**Note:** This callback is for fastai<2.0, not the coming version developed in fastai/fastai\_dev.

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See [the example](#) if you want to add a pruning callback which monitors validation loss of a `Learner`.

**Example**

Register a pruning callback to `learn.fit` and `learn.fit_one_cycle`.

```
learn.fit(n_epochs, callbacks=[FastAIPruningCallback(learn, trial, "valid_loss")])
learn.fit_one_cycle(
    n_epochs,
    cyc_len,
    max_lr,
    callbacks=[FastAIPruningCallback(learn, trial, "valid_loss")],
)
```

**Parameters**

- **learn** – `fastai.basic_train.Learner`.
- **trial** – A `Trial` corresponding to the current evaluation of the objective function.
- **monitor** – An evaluation metric for pruning, e.g. `valid_loss` and `Accuracy`. Please refer to [fastai.Callback reference](#) for further details.

**Methods**


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`on_epoch_end(epoch, **kwargs)`

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## Keras

<code>optuna.integration.KerasPruningCallback</code>	Keras callback to prune unpromising trials.
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### `optuna.integration.KerasPruningCallback`

**class** `optuna.integration.KerasPruningCallback` (*trial*: `optuna.trial._trial.Trial`, *monitor*: `str`, *interval*: `int = 1`)

Keras callback to prune unpromising trials.

See [the example](#) if you want to add a pruning callback which observes validation accuracy.

#### Parameters

- **trial** – A `Trial` corresponding to the current evaluation of the objective function.
- **monitor** – An evaluation metric for pruning, e.g., `val_loss` and `val_accuracy`. Please refer to [keras.Callback reference](#) for further details.
- **interval** – Check if trial should be pruned every n-th epoch. By default `interval=1` and pruning is performed after every epoch. Increase `interval` to run several epochs faster before applying pruning.

**Warning:** Deprecated in v2.1.0. This feature will be removed in the future. The removal of this feature is currently scheduled for v4.0.0, but this schedule is subject to change. See <https://github.com/optuna/optuna/releases/tag/v2.1.0>.

Recent Keras release (2.4.0) simply redirects all APIs in the standalone keras package to point to `tf.keras`. There is now only one Keras: `tf.keras`. There may be some breaking changes for some workflows by upgrading to keras 2.4.0. Test before upgrading. REF:<https://github.com/keras-team/keras/releases/tag/2.4.0>

#### Methods

<code>on_epoch_end(epoch[, logs])</code>
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## LightGBM

<code>optuna.integration.LightGBMPruningCallback</code>	Callback for LightGBM to prune unpromising trials.
<code>optuna.integration.lightgbm.train</code>	Wrapper of LightGBM Training API to tune hyperparameters.
<code>optuna.integration.lightgbm.LightGBMTuner</code>	Hyperparameter tuner for LightGBM.
<code>optuna.integration.lightgbm.LightGBMTunerCV</code>	Hyperparameter tuner for LightGBM with cross-validation.



## optuna.integration.LightGBMPruningCallback

**class** optuna.integration.**LightGBMPruningCallback** (*trial*: optuna.trial.\_trial.Trial, *metric*: str, *valid\_name*: str = 'valid\_0')

Callback for LightGBM to prune unpromising trials.

See [the example](#) if you want to add a pruning callback which observes AUC of a LightGBM model.

### Parameters

- **trial** – A *Trial* corresponding to the current evaluation of the objective function.
- **metric** – An evaluation metric for pruning, e.g., `binary_error` and `multi_error`. Please refer to [LightGBM reference](#) for further details.
- **valid\_name** – The name of the target validation. Validation names are specified by `valid_names` option of `train` method. If omitted, `valid_0` is used which is the default name of the first validation. Note that this argument will be ignored if you are calling `cv` method instead of `train` method.

## optuna.integration.lightgbm.train

optuna.integration.lightgbm.**train** (\*args: Any, \*\*kwargs: Any) → Any

Wrapper of LightGBM Training API to tune hyperparameters.

It tunes important hyperparameters (e.g., `min_child_samples` and `feature_fraction`) in a stepwise manner. It is a drop-in replacement for `lightgbm.train()`. See [a simple example of LightGBM Tuner](#) which optimizes the validation log loss of cancer detection.

`train()` is a wrapper function of `LightGBMTuner`. To use feature in Optuna such as suspended/resumed optimization and/or parallelization, refer to `LightGBMTuner` instead of this function.

Arguments and keyword arguments for `lightgbm.train()` can be passed.

## optuna.integration.lightgbm.LightGBMTuner

```
class optuna.integration.lightgbm.LightGBMTuner (params: Dict[str, Any], train_set: lgb.Dataset, num_boost_round: int = 1000, valid_sets: Optional[VALID_SET_TYPE] = None, valid_names: Optional[Any] = None, fobj: Optional[Callable[[...], Any]] = None, feval: Optional[Callable[[...], Any]] = None, feature_name: str = 'auto', categorical_feature: str = 'auto', early_stopping_rounds: Optional[int] = None, evals_result: Optional[Dict[Any, Any]] = None, verbose_eval: Union[bool, int, None] = True, learning_rates: Optional[List[float]] = None, keep_training_booster: bool = False, callbacks: Optional[List[Callable[[...], Any]]] = None, time_budget: Optional[int] = None, sample_size: Optional[int] = None, study: Optional[optuna.study.Study] = None, optuna_callbacks: Optional[List[Callable[[optuna.study.Study, optuna.trial._frozen.FrozenTrial, None]]] = None, model_dir: Optional[str] = None, verbosity: Optional[int] = None, show_progress_bar: bool = True)
```

Hyperparameter tuner for LightGBM.

It optimizes the following hyperparameters in a stepwise manner: `lambda_l1`, `lambda_l2`, `num_leaves`, `feature_fraction`, `bagging_fraction`, `bagging_freq` and `min_child_samples`.

You can find the details of the algorithm and benchmark results in [this blog article](#) by Kohei Ozaki, a Kaggle Grandmaster.

Arguments and keyword arguments for `lightgbm.train()` can be passed. The arguments that only `LightGBMTuner` has are listed below:

### Parameters

- **time\_budget** – A time budget for parameter tuning in seconds.
- **study** – A `Study` instance to store optimization results. The `Trial` instances in it has the following user attributes: `elapsed_secs` is the elapsed time since the optimization starts. `average_iteration_time` is the average time of iteration to train the booster model in the trial. `lgbm_params` is a JSON-serialized dictionary of LightGBM parameters used in the trial.
- **optuna\_callbacks** – List of Optuna callback functions that are invoked at the end of each trial. Each function must accept two parameters with the following types in this order: `Study` and `FrozenTrial`. Please note that this is not a `callbacks` argument of `lightgbm.train()`.

- **model\_dir** – A directory to save boosters. By default, it is set to `None` and no boosters are saved. Please set shared directory (e.g., directories on NFS) if you want to access `get_best_booster()` in distributed environments. Otherwise, it may raise `ValueError`. If the directory does not exist, it will be created. The filenames of the boosters will be `{model_dir}/{trial_number}.pkl` (e.g., `./boosters/0.pkl`).
- **verbosity** – A verbosity level to change Optuna’s logging level. The level is aligned to LightGBM’s verbosity.

**Warning:** Deprecated in v2.0.0. `verbosity` argument will be removed in the future. The removal of this feature is currently scheduled for v4.0.0, but this schedule is subject to change.

Please use `set_verbosity()` instead.

- **show\_progress\_bar** – Flag to show progress bars or not. To disable progress bar, set this `False`.

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**Note:** Progress bars will be fragmented by logging messages of LightGBM and Optuna. Please suppress such messages to show the progress bars properly.

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## Methods

<code>compare_validation_metrics(val_score, best_score)</code>	
<code>get_best_booster()</code>	Return the best booster.
<code>higher_is_better()</code>	
<code>run()</code>	Perform the hyperparameter-tuning with given parameters.
<code>sample_train_set()</code>	Make subset of <code>self.train_set</code> Dataset object.
<code>tune_bagging([n_trials])</code>	
<code>tune_feature_fraction([n_trials])</code>	
<code>tune_feature_fraction_stage2([n_trials])</code>	
<code>tune_min_data_in_leaf()</code>	
<code>tune_num_leaves([n_trials])</code>	
<code>tune_regularization_factors([n_trials])</code>	

## Attributes

<code>best_booster</code>	Return the best booster.
<code>best_params</code>	Return parameters of the best booster.
<code>best_score</code>	Return the score of the best booster.

### property `best_booster`

Return the best booster.

**Warning:** Deprecated in v1.4.0. This feature will be removed in the future. The removal of this feature is currently scheduled for v3.0.0, but this schedule is subject to change. See <https://github.com/optuna/optuna/releases/tag/v1.4.0>.

Please get the best booster via `get_best_booster` instead.

**property `best_params`**

Return parameters of the best booster.

**property `best_score`**

Return the score of the best booster.

**`get_best_booster()` → `lgb.Booster`**

Return the best booster.

If the best booster cannot be found, `ValueError` will be raised. To prevent the errors, please save boosters by specifying the `model_dir` argument of `__init__()`, when you resume tuning or you run tuning in parallel.

**`run()` → `None`**

Perform the hyperparameter-tuning with given parameters.

**`sample_train_set()` → `None`**

Make subset of `self.train_set` Dataset object.

**optuna.integration.lightgbm.LightGBMTunerCV**

```

class optuna.integration.lightgbm.LightGBMTunerCV(
    params: Dict[str, Any],
    train_set: lgb.Dataset,
    num_boost_round: int = 1000,
    folds: Union[Generator[Tuple[int, int], None, None], Iterator[Tuple[int, int]], BaseCrossValidator, None] = None,
    nfold: int = 5, stratified: bool = True, shuffle: bool = True,
    fobj: Optional[Callable[[...], Any]] = None, feval: Optional[Callable[[...], Any]] = None,
    feature_name: str = 'auto', categorical_feature: str = 'auto',
    early_stopping_rounds: Optional[int] = None, fpreproc: Optional[Callable[[...], Any]] = None,
    verbose_eval: Union[bool, int, None] = True, show_stdv: bool = True,
    seed: int = 0, callbacks: Optional[List[Callable[[...], Any]]] = None,
    time_budget: Optional[int] = None, sample_size: Optional[int] = None,
    study: Optional[optuna.study.Study] = None,
    optuna_callbacks: Optional[List[Callable[[optuna.study.Study, optuna.trial._frozen.FrozenTrial], None]]] = None,
    verbosity: Optional[int] = None,
    show_progress_bar: bool = True,
    model_dir: Optional[str] = None,
    return_cvbooster: Optional[bool] = None)

```

Hyperparameter tuner for LightGBM with cross-validation.

It employs the same stepwise approach as `LightGBMTuner`. `LightGBMTunerCV` invokes `lightgbm.cv()` to train and validate boosters while `LightGBMTuner` invokes `lightgbm.train()`. See a [simple example](#) which optimizes the validation log loss of cancer detection.

Arguments and keyword arguments for `lightgbm.cv()` can be passed except `metrics`, `init_model` and `eval_train_metric`. The arguments that only `LightGBMTunerCV` has are listed below:

**Parameters**

- **time\_budget** – A time budget for parameter tuning in seconds.
- **study** – A `Study` instance to store optimization results. The `Trial` instances in it has the following user attributes: `elapsed_secs` is the elapsed time since the optimization starts. `average_iteration_time` is the average time of iteration to train the booster model in the trial. `lgbm_params` is a JSON-serialized dictionary of LightGBM parameters used in the trial.
- **optuna\_callbacks** – List of Optuna callback functions that are invoked at the end of each trial. Each function must accept two parameters with the following types in this

order: *Study* and `FrozenTrial`. Please note that this is not a `callbacks` argument of `lightgbm.train()`.

- **verbosity** – A verbosity level to change Optuna’s logging level. The level is aligned to LightGBM’s verbosity.

**Warning:** Deprecated in v2.0.0. `verbosity` argument will be removed in the future. The removal of this feature is currently scheduled for v4.0.0, but this schedule is subject to change.

Please use `set_verbosity()` instead.

- **show\_progress\_bar** – Flag to show progress bars or not. To disable progress bar, set this `False`.

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**Note:** Progress bars will be fragmented by logging messages of LightGBM and Optuna. Please suppress such messages to show the progress bars properly.

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## Methods

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<code>compare_validation_metrics(val_score, best_score)</code>	
<code>get_best_booster()</code>	Return the best cvbooster.
<code>higher_is_better()</code>	
<code>run()</code>	Perform the hyperparameter-tuning with given parameters.
<code>sample_train_set()</code>	Make subset of <code>self.train_set</code> Dataset object.
<code>tune_bagging([n_trials])</code>	
<code>tune_feature_fraction([n_trials])</code>	
<code>tune_feature_fraction_stage2([n_trials])</code>	
<code>tune_min_data_in_leaf()</code>	
<code>tune_num_leaves([n_trials])</code>	
<code>tune_regularization_factors([n_trials])</code>	

## Attributes

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<code>best_params</code>	Return parameters of the best booster.
<code>best_score</code>	Return the score of the best booster.

### property `best_params`

Return parameters of the best booster.

### property `best_score`

Return the score of the best booster.

### `get_best_booster()` → `lgb.CVBooster`

Return the best cvbooster.

If the best booster cannot be found, `ValueError` will be raised. To prevent the errors, please save boosters by specifying both of the `model_dir` and the `return_cvbooster` arguments of `__init__()`,

when you resume tuning or you run tuning in parallel.

`run()` → `None`

Perform the hyperparameter-tuning with given parameters.

`sample_train_set()` → `None`

Make subset of `self.train_set` Dataset object.

## MLflow

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`optuna.integration.MLflowCallback`

Callback to track Optuna trials with MLflow.

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### `optuna.integration.MLflowCallback`

```
class optuna.integration.MLflowCallback(tracking_uri: Optional[str] = None, metric_name: str = 'value', nest_trials: bool = False, tag_study_user_attrs: bool = False)
```

Callback to track Optuna trials with MLflow.

This callback adds relevant information that is tracked by Optuna to MLflow. The MLflow experiment will be named after the Optuna study name.

### Example

Add MLflow callback to Optuna optimization.

```
import optuna
from optuna.integration.mlflow import MLflowCallback

def objective(trial):
    x = trial.suggest_uniform("x", -10, 10)
    return (x - 2) ** 2

mlflc = MLflowCallback(
    tracking_uri=YOUR_TRACKING_URI,
    metric_name="my metric score",
)

study = optuna.create_study(study_name="my_study")
study.optimize(objective, n_trials=10, callbacks=[mlflc])
```

### Parameters

- **tracking\_uri** – The URI of the MLflow tracking server.  
Please refer to `mlflow.set_tracking_uri` for more details.
- **metric\_name** – Name of the metric. Since the metric itself is just a number, `metric_name` can be used to give it a name. So you know later if it was roc-auc or accuracy.
- **nest\_trials** – Flag indicating whether or not trials should be logged as nested runs. This is often helpful for aggregating trials to a particular study, under a given experiment.

- **tag\_study\_user\_attrs** – Flag indicating whether or not to add the study’s user attrs to the mlflow trial as tags. Please note that when this flag is set, key value pairs in `study.user_attrs` will supersede existing tags.

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**Note:** Added in v1.4.0 as an experimental feature. The interface may change in newer versions without prior notice. See <https://github.com/optuna/optuna/releases/tag/v1.4.0>.

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## MXNet

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<code>optuna.integration.MXNetPruningCallback</code>	MXNet callback to prune unpromising trials.
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### optuna.integration.MXNetPruningCallback

**class** `optuna.integration.MXNetPruningCallback` (*trial*: `optuna.trial._trial.Trial`, *eval\_metric*: `str`)

MXNet callback to prune unpromising trials.

See the [example](#) if you want to add a pruning callback which observes accuracy.

#### Parameters

- **trial** – A `Trial` corresponding to the current evaluation of the objective function.
- **eval\_metric** – An evaluation metric name for pruning, e.g., `cross-entropy` and `accuracy`. If using default metrics like `mxnet.metrics.Accuracy`, use its default metric name. For custom metrics, use the `metric_name` provided to constructor. Please refer to [mxnet.metrics](#) reference for further details.

## pycma

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<code>optuna.integration.PyCmaSampler</code>	A Sampler using <code>cma</code> library as the backend.
<code>optuna.integration.CmaEsSampler</code>	Wrapper class of <code>PyCmaSampler</code> for backward compatibility.

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### optuna.integration.PyCmaSampler

**class** `optuna.integration.PyCmaSampler` (*x0*: `Optional[Dict[str, Any]] = None`, *sigma0*: `Optional[float] = None`, *cma\_stds*: `Optional[Dict[str, float]] = None`, *seed*: `Optional[int] = None`, *cma\_opts*: `Optional[Dict[str, Any]] = None`, *n\_startup\_trials*: `int = 1`, *independent\_sampler*: `Optional[optuna.samplers._base.BaseSampler] = None`, *warn\_independent\_sampling*: `bool = True`)

A Sampler using `cma` library as the backend.



## Example

Optimize a simple quadratic function by using *PyCmaSampler*.

```
import optuna

def objective(trial):
    x = trial.suggest_uniform("x", -1, 1)
    y = trial.suggest_int("y", -1, 1)
    return x ** 2 + y

sampler = optuna.integration.PyCmaSampler()
study = optuna.create_study(sampler=sampler)
study.optimize(objective, n_trials=20)
```

Note that parallel execution of trials may affect the optimization performance of CMA-ES, especially if the number of trials running in parallel exceeds the population size.

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**Note:** *CmaEsSampler* is deprecated and renamed to *PyCmaSampler* in v2.0.0. Please use *PyCmaSampler* instead of *CmaEsSampler*.

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## Parameters

- **x0** – A dictionary of an initial parameter values for CMA-ES. By default, the mean of low and high for each distribution is used. Please refer to *cma.CMAEvolutionStrategy* for further details of *x0*.
- **sigma0** – Initial standard deviation of CMA-ES. By default, *sigma0* is set to  $\text{min\_range} / 6$ , where *min\_range* denotes the minimum range of the distributions in the search space. If distribution is categorical, *min\_range* is  $\text{len}(\text{choices}) - 1$ . Please refer to *cma.CMAEvolutionStrategy* for further details of *sigma0*.
- **cma\_stds** – A dictionary of multipliers of *sigma0* for each parameters. The default value is 1.0. Please refer to *cma.CMAEvolutionStrategy* for further details of *cma\_stds*.
- **seed** – A random seed for CMA-ES.
- **cma\_opts** – Options passed to the constructor of *cma.CMAEvolutionStrategy* class.  
Note that *BoundaryHandler*, *bounds*, *CMA\_stds* and *seed* arguments in *cma\_opts* will be ignored because it is added by *PyCmaSampler* automatically.
- **n\_startup\_trials** – The independent sampling is used instead of the CMA-ES algorithm until the given number of trials finish in the same study.
- **independent\_sampler** – A *BaseSampler* instance that is used for independent sampling. The parameters not contained in the relative search space are sampled by this sampler. The search space for *PyCmaSampler* is determined by *intersection\_search\_space()*.

If *None* is specified, *RandomSampler* is used as the default.

### See also:

*optuna.samplers* module provides built-in independent samplers such as *RandomSampler* and *TPESampler*.

- **warn\_independent\_sampling** – If this is `True`, a warning message is emitted when the value of a parameter is sampled by using an independent sampler.

Note that the parameters of the first trial in a study are always sampled via an independent sampler, so no warning messages are emitted in this case.

## Methods

<code>infer_relative_search_space(study, trial)</code>	Infer the search space that will be used by relative sampling in the target trial.
<code>reseed_rng()</code>	Reseed sampler's random number generator.
<code>sample_independent(study, param_name, ...)</code>	trial, Sample a parameter for a given distribution.
<code>sample_relative(study, trial, search_space)</code>	Sample parameters in a given search space.

**infer\_relative\_search\_space** (*study*: `optuna.study.Study`, *trial*: `optuna.trial._frozen.FrozenTrial`) → `Dict[str, optuna.distributions.BaseDistribution]`

Infer the search space that will be used by relative sampling in the target trial.

This method is called right before `sample_relative()` method, and the search space returned by this method is pass to it. The parameters not contained in the search space will be sampled by using `sample_independent()` method.

### Parameters

- **study** – Target study object.
- **trial** – Target trial object. Take a copy before modifying this object.

**Returns** A dictionary containing the parameter names and parameter's distributions.

### See also:

Please refer to `intersection_search_space()` as an implementation of `infer_relative_search_space()`.

**reseed\_rng()** → `None`

Reseed sampler's random number generator.

This method is called by the `Study` instance if trials are executed in parallel with the option `n_jobs>1`. In that case, the sampler instance will be replicated including the state of the random number generator, and they may suggest the same values. To prevent this issue, this method assigns a different seed to each random number generator.

**sample\_independent** (*study*: `optuna.study.Study`, *trial*: `optuna.trial._frozen.FrozenTrial`, *param\_name*: `str`, *param\_distribution*: `optuna.distributions.BaseDistribution`) → `float`

Sample a parameter for a given distribution.

This method is called only for the parameters not contained in the search space returned by `sample_relative()` method. This method is suitable for sampling algorithms that do not use relationship between parameters such as random sampling and TPE.

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**Note:** The failed trials are ignored by any build-in samplers when they sample new parameters. Thus, failed trials are regarded as deleted in the samplers' perspective.

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**Parameters**

- **study** – Target study object.
- **trial** – Target trial object. Take a copy before modifying this object.
- **param\_name** – Name of the sampled parameter.
- **param\_distribution** – Distribution object that specifies a prior and/or scale of the sampling algorithm.

**Returns** A parameter value.

**sample\_relative** (*study*: `optuna.study.Study`, *trial*: `optuna.trial._frozen.FrozenTrial`, *search\_space*: `Dict[str, optuna.distributions.BaseDistribution]`) → `Dict[str, float]`  
 Sample parameters in a given search space.

This method is called once at the beginning of each trial, i.e., right before the evaluation of the objective function. This method is suitable for sampling algorithms that use relationship between parameters such as Gaussian Process and CMA-ES.

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**Note:** The failed trials are ignored by any build-in samplers when they sample new parameters. Thus, failed trials are regarded as deleted in the samplers' perspective.

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**Parameters**

- **study** – Target study object.
- **trial** – Target trial object. Take a copy before modifying this object.
- **search\_space** – The search space returned by `infer_relative_search_space()`.

**Returns** A dictionary containing the parameter names and the values.

**optuna.integration.CmaEsSampler**

**class** `optuna.integration.CmaEsSampler` (*x0*: `Optional[Dict[str, Any]] = None`, *sigma0*: `Optional[float] = None`, *cma\_stds*: `Optional[Dict[str, float]] = None`, *seed*: `Optional[int] = None`, *cma\_opts*: `Optional[Dict[str, Any]] = None`, *n\_startup\_trials*: `int = 1`, *independent\_sampler*: `Optional[optuna.samplers._base.BaseSampler] = None`, *warn\_independent\_sampling*: `bool = True`)

Wrapper class of `PyCmaSampler` for backward compatibility.

**Warning:** Deprecated in v2.0.0. This feature will be removed in the future. The removal of this feature is currently scheduled for v4.0.0, but this schedule is subject to change. See <https://github.com/optuna/optuna/releases/tag/v2.0.0>.

This class is renamed to `PyCmaSampler`.

## Methods

<code>infer_relative_search_space(study, trial)</code>	Infer the search space that will be used by relative sampling in the target trial.
<code>reseed_rng()</code>	Reseed sampler's random number generator.
<code>sample_independent(study, trial, param_name, ...)</code>	Sample a parameter for a given distribution.
<code>sample_relative(study, trial, search_space)</code>	Sample parameters in a given search space.

**infer\_relative\_search\_space** (*study*: `optuna.study.Study`, *trial*: `optuna.trial.frozen.FrozenTrial`) → `Dict[str, optuna.distributions.BaseDistribution]`

Infer the search space that will be used by relative sampling in the target trial.

This method is called right before `sample_relative()` method, and the search space returned by this method is pass to it. The parameters not contained in the search space will be sampled by using `sample_independent()` method.

### Parameters

- **study** – Target study object.
- **trial** – Target trial object. Take a copy before modifying this object.

**Returns** A dictionary containing the parameter names and parameter's distributions.

### See also:

Please refer to `intersection_search_space()` as an implementation of `infer_relative_search_space()`.

**reseed\_rng()** → `None`

Reseed sampler's random number generator.

This method is called by the `Study` instance if trials are executed in parallel with the option `n_jobs>1`. In that case, the sampler instance will be replicated including the state of the random number generator, and they may suggest the same values. To prevent this issue, this method assigns a different seed to each random number generator.

**sample\_independent** (*study*: `optuna.study.Study`, *trial*: `optuna.trial.frozen.FrozenTrial`, *param\_name*: `str`, *param\_distribution*: `optuna.distributions.BaseDistribution`) → `float`

Sample a parameter for a given distribution.

This method is called only for the parameters not contained in the search space returned by `sample_relative()` method. This method is suitable for sampling algorithms that do not use relationship between parameters such as random sampling and TPE.

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**Note:** The failed trials are ignored by any build-in samplers when they sample new parameters. Thus, failed trials are regarded as deleted in the samplers' perspective.

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### Parameters

- **study** – Target study object.
- **trial** – Target trial object. Take a copy before modifying this object.
- **param\_name** – Name of the sampled parameter.

- **param\_distribution** – Distribution object that specifies a prior and/or scale of the sampling algorithm.

**Returns** A parameter value.

**sample\_relative** (*study*: `optuna.study.Study`, *trial*: `optuna.trial._frozen.FrozenTrial`, *search\_space*: `Dict[str, optuna.distributions.BaseDistribution]`) → `Dict[str, float]`

Sample parameters in a given search space.

This method is called once at the beginning of each trial, i.e., right before the evaluation of the objective function. This method is suitable for sampling algorithms that use relationship between parameters such as Gaussian Process and CMA-ES.

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**Note:** The failed trials are ignored by any build-in samplers when they sample new parameters. Thus, failed trials are regarded as deleted in the samplers' perspective.

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#### Parameters

- **study** – Target study object.
- **trial** – Target trial object. Take a copy before modifying this object.
- **search\_space** – The search space returned by `infer_relative_search_space()`.

**Returns** A dictionary containing the parameter names and the values.

## PyTorch

<code>optuna.integration.PyTorchIgnitePruningHandler</code>	PyTorch Ignite handler to prune unpromising trials.
<code>optuna.integration.PyTorchLightningPruningCallback</code>	PyTorch Lightning callback to prune unpromising trials.

## optuna.integration.PyTorchIgnitePruningHandler

**class** `optuna.integration.PyTorchIgnitePruningHandler` (*trial*: `optuna.trial._trial.Trial`, *metric*: `str`, *trainer*: `Engine`)

PyTorch Ignite handler to prune unpromising trials.

See [the example](#) if you want to add a pruning handler which observes validation accuracy.

#### Parameters

- **trial** – A `Trial` corresponding to the current evaluation of the objective function.
- **metric** – A name of metric for pruning, e.g., accuracy and loss.
- **trainer** – A trainer engine of PyTorch Ignite. Please refer to `ignite.engine.Engine` reference for further details.

## optuna.integration.PyTorchLightningPruningCallback

**class** `optuna.integration.PyTorchLightningPruningCallback` (*trial*: `optuna.trial._trial.Trial`, *monitor*: `str`)

PyTorch Lightning callback to prune unpromising trials.

See [the example](#) if you want to add a pruning callback which observes accuracy.

### Parameters

- **trial** – A `Trial` corresponding to the current evaluation of the objective function.
- **monitor** – An evaluation metric for pruning, e.g., `val_loss` or `val_acc`. The metrics are obtained from the returned dictionaries from e.g. `pytorch_lightning.LightningModule.training_step` or `pytorch_lightning.LightningModule.validation_epoch_end` and the names thus depend on how this dictionary is formatted.

### Methods

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`on_validation_end(trainer, pl_module)`

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## scikit-learn

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`optuna.integration.OptunaSearchCV`      Hyperparameter search with cross-validation.

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## optuna.integration.OptunaSearchCV

**class** `optuna.integration.OptunaSearchCV` (*estimator*: `BaseEstimator`, *param\_distributions*: `Mapping[str, optuna.distributions.BaseDistribution]`, *cv*: `Union[BaseCrossValidator, int, None] = 5`, *enable\_pruning*: `bool = False`, *error\_score*: `Union[numbers.Number, str] = nan`, *max\_iter*: `int = 1000`, *n\_jobs*: `int = 1`, *n\_trials*: `int = 10`, *random\_state*: `Union[int, numpy.random.mtrand.RandomState, None] = None`, *refit*: `bool = True`, *return\_train\_score*: `bool = False`, *scoring*: `Union[Callable[[], float], str, None] = None`, *study*: `Optional[optuna.study.Study] = None`, *subsample*: `Union[float, int] = 1.0`, *timeout*: `Optional[float] = None`, *verbose*: `int = 0`)

Hyperparameter search with cross-validation.

### Parameters

- **estimator** – Object to use to fit the data. This is assumed to implement the scikit-learn estimator interface. Either this needs to provide `score`, or `scoring` must be passed.
- **param\_distributions** – Dictionary where keys are parameters and values are distributions. Distributions are assumed to implement the optuna distribution interface.

- **cv** – Cross-validation strategy. Possible inputs for cv are:

- integer to specify the number of folds in a CV splitter,
- a CV splitter,
- an iterable yielding (train, validation) splits as arrays of indices.

For integer, if estimator is a classifier and y is either binary or multiclass, `sklearn.model_selection.StratifiedKFold` is used. otherwise, `sklearn.model_selection.KFold` is used.

- **enable\_pruning** – If `True`, pruning is performed in the case where the underlying estimator supports `partial_fit`.
- **error\_score** – Value to assign to the score if an error occurs in fitting. If 'raise', the error is raised. If numeric, `sklearn.exceptions.FitFailedWarning` is raised. This does not affect the refit step, which will always raise the error.
- **max\_iter** – Maximum number of epochs. This is only used if the underlying estimator supports `partial_fit`.
- **n\_jobs** – Number of parallel jobs. `-1` means using all processors.
- **n\_trials** – Number of trials. If `None`, there is no limitation on the number of trials. If `timeout` is also set to `None`, the study continues to create trials until it receives a termination signal such as Ctrl+C or SIGTERM. This trades off runtime vs quality of the solution.
- **random\_state** – Seed of the pseudo random number generator. If int, this is the seed used by the random number generator. If `numpy.random.RandomState` object, this is the random number generator. If `None`, the global random state from `numpy.random` is used.
- **refit** – If `True`, refit the estimator with the best found hyperparameters. The refitted estimator is made available at the `best_estimator_` attribute and permits using `predict` directly.
- **return\_train\_score** – If `True`, training scores will be included. Computing training scores is used to get insights on how different hyperparameter settings impact the overfitting/underfitting trade-off. However computing training scores can be computationally expensive and is not strictly required to select the hyperparameters that yield the best generalization performance.
- **scoring** – String or callable to evaluate the predictions on the validation data. If `None`, `score` on the estimator is used.
- **study** – Study corresponds to the optimization task. If `None`, a new study is created.
- **subsample** – Proportion of samples that are used during hyperparameter search.
  - If int, then draw `subsample` samples.
  - If float, then draw `subsample * X.shape[0]` samples.
- **timeout** – Time limit in seconds for the search of appropriate models. If `None`, the study is executed without time limitation. If `n_trials` is also set to `None`, the study continues to create trials until it receives a termination signal such as Ctrl+C or SIGTERM. This trades off runtime vs quality of the solution.
- **verbose** – Verbosity level. The higher, the more messages.

**best\_estimator\_**

Estimator that was chosen by the search. This is present only if `refit` is set to `True`.

**n\_splits**\\_

Number of cross-validation splits.

**refit\_time**\\_

Time for refitting the best estimator. This is present only if `refit` is set to `True`.

**sample\_indices**\\_

Indices of samples that are used during hyperparameter search.

**scorer**\\_

Scorer function.

**study**\\_

Actual study.

## Examples

```
import optuna
from sklearn.datasets import load_iris
from sklearn.svm import SVC

clf = SVC(gamma="auto")
param_distributions = {"C": optuna.distributions.LogUniformDistribution(1e-10, 1e10)}
optuna_search = optuna.integration.OptunaSearchCV(clf, param_distributions)
X, y = load_iris(return_X_y=True)
optuna_search.fit(X, y)
y_pred = optuna_search.predict(X)
```

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**Note:** Added in v0.17.0 as an experimental feature. The interface may change in newer versions without prior notice. See <https://github.com/optuna/optuna/releases/tag/v0.17.0>.

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## Methods

<code>fit(X[, y, groups])</code>	Run fit with all sets of parameters.
<code>score(X[, y])</code>	Return the score on the given data.

## Attributes

<code>best_index</code>	Index which corresponds to the best candidate parameter setting.
<code>best_params</code>	Parameters of the best trial in the <i>Study</i> .
<code>best_score</code>	Mean cross-validated score of the best estimator.
<code>best_trial</code>	Best trial in the <i>Study</i> .
<code>classes</code>	Class labels.
<code>decision_function</code>	Call <code>decision_function</code> on the best estimator.
<code>inverse_transform</code>	Call <code>inverse_transform</code> on the best estimator.
<code>n_trials</code>	Actual number of trials.
<code>predict</code>	Call <code>predict</code> on the best estimator.

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<code>predict_log_proba</code>	Call <code>predict_log_proba</code> on the best estimator.
<code>predict_proba</code>	Call <code>predict_proba</code> on the best estimator.
<code>score_samples</code>	Call <code>score_samples</code> on the best estimator.
<code>set_user_attr</code>	Call <code>set_user_attr</code> on the <i>Study</i> .
<code>transform</code>	Call <code>transform</code> on the best estimator.
<code>trials_</code>	All trials in the <i>Study</i> .
<code>trials_dataframe</code>	Call <code>trials_dataframe</code> on the <i>Study</i> .
<code>user_attrs_</code>	User attributes in the <i>Study</i> .

**property best\_index\_**

Index which corresponds to the best candidate parameter setting.

**property best\_params\_**

Parameters of the best trial in the *Study*.

**property best\_score\_**

Mean cross-validated score of the best estimator.

**property best\_trial\_**

Best trial in the *Study*.

**property classes\_**

Class labels.

**property decision\_function**

Call `decision_function` on the best estimator.

This is available only if the underlying estimator supports `decision_function` and `refit` is set to `True`.

**fit** (*X*: *Union[List[List[float]], numpy.ndarray, pd.DataFrame, scipy.sparse.base.spmatrix]*,  
*y*: *Union[List[float], numpy.ndarray, pd.Series, List[List[float]], pd.DataFrame, scipy.sparse.base.spmatrix, None] = None*, *groups*: *Union[List[float], numpy.ndarray, pd.Series, None] = None*, **\*\*fit\_params**: *Any*) → *OptunaSearchCV*  
 Run fit with all sets of parameters.

**Parameters**

- **X** – Training data.
- **y** – Target variable.
- **groups** – Group labels for the samples used while splitting the dataset into train/validation set.
- **\*\*fit\_params** – Parameters passed to `fit` on the estimator.

**Returns** Return self.

**Return type** self

**property inverse\_transform**

Call `inverse_transform` on the best estimator.

This is available only if the underlying estimator supports `inverse_transform` and `refit` is set to `True`.

**property n\_trials\_**

Actual number of trials.

**property predict**

Call `predict` on the best estimator.

This is available only if the underlying estimator supports `predict` and `refit` is set to `True`.

**property `predict_log_proba`**

Call `predict_log_proba` on the best estimator.

This is available only if the underlying estimator supports `predict_log_proba` and `refit` is set to `True`.

**property `predict_proba`**

Call `predict_proba` on the best estimator.

This is available only if the underlying estimator supports `predict_proba` and `refit` is set to `True`.

**score** (*X*: `Union[List[List[float]], numpy.ndarray, pd.DataFrame, scipy.sparse.base.spmatrix]`,  
*y*: `Union[List[float], numpy.ndarray, pd.Series, List[List[float]], pd.DataFrame, scipy.sparse.base.spmatrix, None] = None`) → `float`  
Return the score on the given data.

**Parameters**

- **x** – Data.
- **y** – Target variable.

**Returns** Scaler score.

**Return type** `score`

**property `score_samples`**

Call `score_samples` on the best estimator.

This is available only if the underlying estimator supports `score_samples` and `refit` is set to `True`.

**property `set_user_attr`**

Call `set_user_attr` on the *Study*.

**property `transform`**

Call `transform` on the best estimator.

This is available only if the underlying estimator supports `transform` and `refit` is set to `True`.

**property `trials_`**

All trials in the *Study*.

**property `trials_dataframe`**

Call `trials_dataframe` on the *Study*.

**property `user_attrs_`**

User attributes in the *Study*.

## scikit-optimize

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*optuna.integration.SkoptSampler*

Sampler using Scikit-Optimize as the backend.

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## optuna.integration.SkoptSampler

```
class optuna.integration.SkoptSampler (independent_sampler: Optional[optuna.samplers._base.BaseSampler] = None, warn_independent_sampling: bool = True, skopt_kwargs: Optional[Dict[str, Any]] = None, n_startup_trials: int = 1, *, consider_pruned_trials: bool = False)
```

Sampler using Scikit-Optimize as the backend.

### Example

Optimize a simple quadratic function by using *SkoptSampler*.

```
import optuna

def objective(trial):
    x = trial.suggest_uniform("x", -10, 10)
    y = trial.suggest_int("y", 0, 10)
    return x ** 2 + y

sampler = optuna.integration.SkoptSampler()
study = optuna.create_study(sampler=sampler)
study.optimize(objective, n_trials=10)
```

### Parameters

- **independent\_sampler** – A *BaseSampler* instance that is used for independent sampling. The parameters not contained in the relative search space are sampled by this sampler. The search space for *SkoptSampler* is determined by *intersection\_search\_space()*.

If *None* is specified, *RandomSampler* is used as the default.

#### See also:

*optuna.samplers* module provides built-in independent samplers such as *RandomSampler* and *TPESampler*.

- **warn\_independent\_sampling** – If this is *True*, a warning message is emitted when the value of a parameter is sampled by using an independent sampler. Note that the parameters of the first trial in a study are always sampled via an independent sampler, so no warning messages are emitted in this case.
- **skopt\_kwargs** – Keyword arguments passed to the constructor of *skopt.Optimizer* class. Note that *dimensions* argument in *skopt\_kwargs* will be ignored because it is added by *SkoptSampler* automatically.
- **n\_startup\_trials** – The independent sampling is used until the given number of trials finish in the same study.
- **consider\_pruned\_trials** – If this is *True*, the PRUNED trials are considered for sampling.

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**Note:** Added in v2.0.0 as an experimental feature. The interface may change in newer versions without prior notice. See <https://github.com/optuna/optuna/releases/tag/v2.0.0>.

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**Note:** As the number of trials  $n$  increases, each sampling takes longer and longer on a scale of  $O(n^3)$ . And, if this is `True`, the number of trials will increase. So, it is suggested to set this flag `False` when each evaluation of the objective function is relatively faster than each sampling. On the other hand, it is suggested to set this flag `True` when each evaluation of the objective function is relatively slower than each sampling.

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## Methods

<code>infer_relative_search_space(study, trial)</code>	Infer the search space that will be used by relative sampling in the target trial.
<code>reseed_rng()</code>	Reseed sampler's random number generator.
<code>sample_independent(study, param_name, ...)</code>	Sample a parameter for a given distribution.
<code>sample_relative(study, trial, search_space)</code>	Sample parameters in a given search space.

**infer\_relative\_search\_space** (*study*: `optuna.study.Study`, *trial*: `optuna.trial._frozen.FrozenTrial`) → `Dict[str, optuna.distributions.BaseDistribution]`

Infer the search space that will be used by relative sampling in the target trial.

This method is called right before `sample_relative()` method, and the search space returned by this method is pass to it. The parameters not contained in the search space will be sampled by using `sample_independent()` method.

### Parameters

- **study** – Target study object.
- **trial** – Target trial object. Take a copy before modifying this object.

**Returns** A dictionary containing the parameter names and parameter's distributions.

### See also:

Please refer to `intersection_search_space()` as an implementation of `infer_relative_search_space()`.

**reseed\_rng** () → `None`

Reseed sampler's random number generator.

This method is called by the `Study` instance if trials are executed in parallel with the option `n_jobs>1`. In that case, the sampler instance will be replicated including the state of the random number generator, and they may suggest the same values. To prevent this issue, this method assigns a different seed to each random number generator.

**sample\_independent** (*study*: `optuna.study.Study`, *trial*: `optuna.trial._frozen.FrozenTrial`, *param\_name*: `str`, *param\_distribution*: `optuna.distributions.BaseDistribution`) → `Any`

Sample a parameter for a given distribution.

This method is called only for the parameters not contained in the search space returned by `sample_relative()` method. This method is suitable for sampling algorithms that do not use relationship between parameters such as random sampling and TPE.

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**Note:** The failed trials are ignored by any build-in samplers when they sample new parameters. Thus, failed trials are regarded as deleted in the samplers' perspective.

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#### Parameters

- **study** – Target study object.
- **trial** – Target trial object. Take a copy before modifying this object.
- **param\_name** – Name of the sampled parameter.
- **param\_distribution** – Distribution object that specifies a prior and/or scale of the sampling algorithm.

**Returns** A parameter value.

**sample\_relative** (*study*: `optuna.study.Study`, *trial*: `optuna.trial._frozen.FrozenTrial`, *search\_space*: `Dict[str, optuna.distributions.BaseDistribution]`) → `Dict[str, Any]`

Sample parameters in a given search space.

This method is called once at the beginning of each trial, i.e., right before the evaluation of the objective function. This method is suitable for sampling algorithms that use relationship between parameters such as Gaussian Process and CMA-ES.

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**Note:** The failed trials are ignored by any build-in samplers when they sample new parameters. Thus, failed trials are regarded as deleted in the samplers' perspective.

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#### Parameters

- **study** – Target study object.
- **trial** – Target trial object. Take a copy before modifying this object.
- **search\_space** – The search space returned by `infer_relative_search_space()`.

**Returns** A dictionary containing the parameter names and the values.

## skorch

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`optuna.integration.  
SkorchPruningCallback`

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Skorch callback to prune unpromising trials.

## optuna.integration.SkorchPruningCallback

**class** optuna.integration.**SkorchPruningCallback** (*trial*: optuna.trial.\_trial.Trial, *monitor*: str)

Skorch callback to prune unpromising trials.

New in version 2.1.0.

### Parameters

- **trial** – A *Trial* corresponding to the current evaluation of the objective function.
- **monitor** – An evaluation metric for pruning, e.g. `val_loss` or `val_acc`. The metrics are obtained from the returned dictionaries, i.e., `net.history`. The names thus depend on how this dictionary is formatted.

### Methods

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`on_epoch_end(net, **kwargs)`

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## TensorFlow

<code>optuna.integration.TensorBoardCallback</code>	Callback to track Optuna trials with TensorBoard.
<code>optuna.integration.TensorFlowPruningHook</code>	TensorFlow SessionRunHook to prune unpromising trials.
<code>optuna.integration.TFKerasPruningCallback</code>	tf.keras callback to prune unpromising trials.

## optuna.integration.TensorBoardCallback

**class** optuna.integration.**TensorBoardCallback** (*dirname*: str, *metric\_name*: str)

Callback to track Optuna trials with TensorBoard.

This callback adds relevant information that is tracked by Optuna to TensorBoard.

See [the example](#).

### Parameters

- **dirname** – Directory to store TensorBoard logs.
- **metric\_name** – Name of the metric. Since the metric itself is just a number, *metric\_name* can be used to give it a name. So you know later if it was roc-auc or accuracy.

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**Note:** Added in v2.0.0 as an experimental feature. The interface may change in newer versions without prior notice. See <https://github.com/optuna/optuna/releases/tag/v2.0.0>.

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## optuna.integration.TensorFlowPruningHook

**class** optuna.integration.**TensorFlowPruningHook** (*trial: optuna.trial.\_trial.Trial, estimator: tf.estimator.Estimator, metric: str, run\_every\_steps: int*)

TensorFlow SessionRunHook to prune unpromising trials.

See [the example](#) if you want to add a pruning hook to TensorFlow's estimator.

### Parameters

- **trial** – A *Trial* corresponding to the current evaluation of the objective function.
- **estimator** – An estimator which you will use.
- **metric** – An evaluation metric for pruning, e.g., *accuracy* and *loss*.
- **run\_every\_steps** – An interval to watch the summary file.

### Methods

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`after_run(run_context, run_values)`

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`before_run(run_context)`

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`begin()`

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## optuna.integration.TFKerasPruningCallback

**class** optuna.integration.**TFKerasPruningCallback** (*trial: optuna.trial.\_trial.Trial, monitor: str*)

tf.keras callback to prune unpromising trials.

This callback is intend to be compatible for TensorFlow v1 and v2, but only tested with TensorFlow v1.

See [the example](#) if you want to add a pruning callback which observes the validation accuracy.

### Parameters

- **trial** – A *Trial* corresponding to the current evaluation of the objective function.
- **monitor** – An evaluation metric for pruning, e.g., *val\_loss* or *val\_acc*.

### Methods

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`on_epoch_end(epoch[, logs])`

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## XGBoost

<code>optuna.integration.XGBoostPruningCallback</code>	Callback for XGBoost to prune unpromising trials.
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### `optuna.integration.XGBoostPruningCallback`

**class** `optuna.integration.XGBoostPruningCallback` (*trial: optuna.trial.\_trial.Trial, observation\_key: str*)

Callback for XGBoost to prune unpromising trials.

See [the example](#) if you want to add a pruning callback which observes validation AUC of a XGBoost model.

#### Parameters

- **trial** – A `Trial` corresponding to the current evaluation of the objective function.
- **observation\_key** – An evaluation metric for pruning, e.g., `validation-error` and `validation-merror`. When using the Scikit-Learn API, the index number of `eval_set` must be included in the `observation_key`, e.g., `validation_0-error` and `validation_0-merror`. Please refer to `eval_metric` in [XGBoost reference](#) for further details.

## 6.3.7 optuna.logging

The `logging` module implements logging using the Python logging package. Library users may be especially interested in setting verbosity levels using `set_verbosity()` to one of `optuna.logging.CRITICAL` (aka `optuna.logging.FATAL`), `optuna.logging.ERROR`, `optuna.logging.WARNING` (aka `optuna.logging.WARN`), `optuna.logging.INFO`, or `optuna.logging.DEBUG`.

<code>optuna.logging.get_verbosity</code>	Return the current level for the Optuna's root logger.
<code>optuna.logging.set_verbosity</code>	Set the level for the Optuna's root logger.
<code>optuna.logging.disable_default_handler</code>	Disable the default handler of the Optuna's root logger.
<code>optuna.logging.enable_default_handler</code>	Enable the default handler of the Optuna's root logger.
<code>optuna.logging.disable_propagation</code>	Disable propagation of the library log outputs.
<code>optuna.logging.enable_propagation</code>	Enable propagation of the library log outputs.

### `optuna.logging.get_verbosity`

`optuna.logging.get_verbosity() → int`

Return the current level for the Optuna's root logger.

**Returns** Logging level, e.g., `optuna.logging.DEBUG` and `optuna.logging.INFO`.

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**Note:** Optuna has following logging levels:

- `optuna.logging.CRITICAL`, `optuna.logging.FATAL`
- `optuna.logging.ERROR`
- `optuna.logging.WARNING`, `optuna.logging.WARN`
- `optuna.logging.INFO`



- `optuna.logging.DEBUG`

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### `optuna.logging.set_verbosity`

`optuna.logging.set_verbosity(verbosity: int) → None`

Set the level for the Optuna's root logger.

**Parameters** `verbosity` – Logging level, e.g., `optuna.logging.DEBUG` and `optuna.logging.INFO`.

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**Note:** Optuna has following logging levels:

- `optuna.logging.CRITICAL`, `optuna.logging.FATAL`
- `optuna.logging.ERROR`
- `optuna.logging.WARNING`, `optuna.logging.WARN`
- `optuna.logging.INFO`
- `optuna.logging.DEBUG`

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### `optuna.logging.disable_default_handler`

`optuna.logging.disable_default_handler() → None`

Disable the default handler of the Optuna's root logger.

#### Example

Stop and then resume logging to `sys.stderr`.

```
import optuna

study = optuna.create_study()

# There are no logs in sys.stderr.
optuna.logging.disable_default_handler()
study.optimize(objective, n_trials=10)

# There are logs in sys.stderr.
optuna.logging.enable_default_handler()
study.optimize(objective, n_trials=10)
# [I 2020-02-23 17:00:54,314] Trial 10 finished with value: ...
# [I 2020-02-23 17:00:54,356] Trial 11 finished with value: ...
# ...
```

### `optuna.logging.enable_default_handler`

`optuna.logging.enable_default_handler()` → None

Enable the default handler of the Optuna's root logger.

Please refer to the example shown in `disable_default_handler()`.

### `optuna.logging.disable_propagation`

`optuna.logging.disable_propagation()` → None

Disable propagation of the library log outputs.

Note that log propagation is disabled by default.

### `optuna.logging.enable_propagation`

`optuna.logging.enable_propagation()` → None

Enable propagation of the library log outputs.

Please disable the Optuna's default handler to prevent double logging if the root logger has been configured.

### Example

Propagate all log output to the root logger in order to save them to the file.

```
import optuna
import logging

logger = logging.getLogger()

logger.setLevel(logging.INFO) # Setup the root logger.
logger.addHandler(logging.FileHandler("foo.log", mode="w"))

optuna.logging.enable_propagation() # Propagate logs to the root logger.
optuna.logging.disable_default_handler() # Stop showing logs in sys.stderr.

study = optuna.create_study()

logger.info("Start optimization.")
study.optimize(objective, n_trials=10)

with open("foo.log") as f:
    assert f.readline().startswith("A new study created")
    assert f.readline() == "Start optimization.\n"
```

## 6.3.8 optuna.multi\_objective

### optuna.multi\_objective.samplers

<code>optuna.multi_objective.samplers.BaseMultiObjectiveSampler</code>	Base class for multi-objective samplers.
<code>optuna.multi_objective.samplers.NSGAIIIMultiObjectiveSampler</code>	Multi-objective sampler using the NSGA-II algorithm.
<code>optuna.multi_objective.samplers.RandomMultiObjectiveSampler</code>	Multi-objective sampler using random sampling.
<code>optuna.multi_objective.samplers.MOTPEMultiObjectiveSampler</code>	Multi-objective sampler using the MOTPE algorithm.

### optuna.multi\_objective.samplers.BaseMultiObjectiveSampler

**class** `optuna.multi_objective.samplers.BaseMultiObjectiveSampler`

Base class for multi-objective samplers.

The abstract methods of this class are the same as ones defined by `BaseSampler` except for taking multi-objective versions of study and trial instances as the arguments.

**Note:** Added in v1.4.0 as an experimental feature. The interface may change in newer versions without prior notice. See <https://github.com/optuna/optuna/releases/tag/v1.4.0>.

#### Methods

<code>infer_relative_search_space(study, trial)</code>	Infer the search space that will be used by relative sampling in the target trial.
<code>reseed_rng()</code>	Reseed sampler's random number generator.
<code>sample_independent(study, param_name, ...)</code>	Sample a parameter for a given distribution.
<code>sample_relative(study, trial, search_space)</code>	Sample parameters in a given search space.

**abstract infer\_relative\_search\_space** (*study*: `optuna.multi_objective.study.MultiObjectiveStudy`, *trial*: `optuna.multi_objective.trial.FrozenMultiObjectiveTrial`)  
→ Dict[str, `optuna.distributions.BaseDistribution`]

Infer the search space that will be used by relative sampling in the target trial.

This method is called right before `sample_relative()` method, and the search space returned by this method is passed to it. The parameters not contained in the search space will be sampled by using `sample_independent()` method.

#### Parameters

- **study** – Target study object.
- **trial** – Target trial object.

**Returns** A dictionary containing the parameter names and parameter's distributions.

**See also:**

Please refer to `intersection_search_space()` as an implementation of `infer_relative_search_space()`.

**reseed\_rng()** → `None`

Reseed sampler's random number generator.

This method is called by the `MultiObjectiveStudy` instance if trials are executed in parallel with the option `n_jobs>1`. In that case, the sampler instance will be replicated including the state of the random number generator, and they may suggest the same values. To prevent this issue, this method assigns a different seed to each random number generator.

**abstract sample\_independent** (*study*: `optuna.multi_objective.study.MultiObjectiveStudy`,  
*trial*: `optuna.multi_objective.trial.FrozenMultiObjectiveTrial`,  
*param\_name*: `str`, *param\_distribution*: `optuna.distributions.BaseDistribution`) → `Any`

Sample a parameter for a given distribution.

This method is called only for the parameters not contained in the search space returned by `sample_relative()` method. This method is suitable for sampling algorithms that do not use the relationship between parameters such as random sampling.

#### Parameters

- **study** – Target study object.
- **trial** – Target trial object.
- **param\_name** – Name of the sampled parameter.
- **param\_distribution** – Distribution object that specifies a prior and/or scale of the sampling algorithm.

**Returns** A parameter value.

**abstract sample\_relative** (*study*: `optuna.multi_objective.study.MultiObjectiveStudy`, *trial*: `optuna.multi_objective.trial.FrozenMultiObjectiveTrial`, *search\_space*:  
`Dict[str, optuna.distributions.BaseDistribution]`) → `Dict[str, Any]`

Sample parameters in a given search space.

This method is called once at the beginning of each trial, i.e., right before the evaluation of the objective function. This method is suitable for sampling algorithms that use the relationship between parameters.

#### Parameters

- **study** – Target study object.
- **trial** – Target trial object.
- **search\_space** – The search space returned by `infer_relative_search_space()`.

**Returns** A dictionary containing the parameter names and the values.

**optuna.multi\_objective.samplers.NSGAII MultiObjectiveSampler**

```
class optuna.multi_objective.samplers.NSGAII MultiObjectiveSampler (population_size:
    int = 50,
    muta-
    tion_prob:
    Op-
    tional[float]
    = None,
    crossover_prob:
    float = 0.9,
    swap-
    ping_prob:
    float = 0.5,
    seed: Op-
    tional[int]
    = None)
```

Multi-objective sampler using the NSGA-II algorithm.

NSGA-II stands for “Nondominated Sorting Genetic Algorithm II”, which is a well known, fast and elitist multi-objective genetic algorithm.

For further information about NSGA-II, please refer to the following paper:

- [A fast and elitist multiobjective genetic algorithm: NSGA-II](#)

**Parameters**

- **population\_size** – Number of individuals (trials) in a generation.
- **mutation\_prob** – Probability of mutating each parameter when creating a new individual. If `None` is specified, the value `1.0 / len(parent_trial.params)` is used where `parent_trial` is the parent trial of the target individual.
- **crossover\_prob** – Probability that a crossover (parameters swapping between parents) will occur when creating a new individual.
- **swapping\_prob** – Probability of swapping each parameter of the parents during crossover.
- **seed** – Seed for random number generator.

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**Note:** Added in v1.5.0 as an experimental feature. The interface may change in newer versions without prior notice. See <https://github.com/optuna/optuna/releases/tag/v1.5.0>.

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**Methods**

<code>infer_relative_search_space(study, trial)</code>	Infer the search space that will be used by relative sampling in the target trial.
<code>reseed_rng()</code>	Reseed sampler’s random number generator.
<code>sample_independent(study, trial, param_name, ...)</code>	Sample a parameter for a given distribution.
<code>sample_relative(study, trial, search_space)</code>	Sample parameters in a given search space.

**infer\_relative\_search\_space** (*study*: `optuna.multi_objective.study.MultiObjectiveStudy`,  
*trial*: `optuna.multi_objective.trial.FrozenMultiObjectiveTrial`)  
→ `Dict[str, optuna.distributions.BaseDistribution]`

Infer the search space that will be used by relative sampling in the target trial.

This method is called right before `sample_relative()` method, and the search space returned by this method is passed to it. The parameters not contained in the search space will be sampled by using `sample_independent()` method.

#### Parameters

- **study** – Target study object.
- **trial** – Target trial object.

**Returns** A dictionary containing the parameter names and parameter’s distributions.

#### See also:

Please refer to `intersection_search_space()` as an implementation of `infer_relative_search_space()`.

**reseed\_rng**() → `None`

Reseed sampler’s random number generator.

This method is called by the `MultiObjectiveStudy` instance if trials are executed in parallel with the option `n_jobs>1`. In that case, the sampler instance will be replicated including the state of the random number generator, and they may suggest the same values. To prevent this issue, this method assigns a different seed to each random number generator.

**sample\_independent** (*study*: `optuna.multi_objective.study.MultiObjectiveStudy`, *trial*: `optuna.multi_objective.trial.FrozenMultiObjectiveTrial`, *param\_name*: `str`,  
*param\_distribution*: `optuna.distributions.BaseDistribution`) → `Any`

Sample a parameter for a given distribution.

This method is called only for the parameters not contained in the search space returned by `sample_relative()` method. This method is suitable for sampling algorithms that do not use the relationship between parameters such as random sampling.

#### Parameters

- **study** – Target study object.
- **trial** – Target trial object.
- **param\_name** – Name of the sampled parameter.
- **param\_distribution** – Distribution object that specifies a prior and/or scale of the sampling algorithm.

**Returns** A parameter value.

**sample\_relative** (*study*: `optuna.multi_objective.study.MultiObjectiveStudy`, *trial*: `optuna.multi_objective.trial.FrozenMultiObjectiveTrial`, *search\_space*: `Dict[str, optuna.distributions.BaseDistribution]`) → `Dict[str, Any]`

Sample parameters in a given search space.

This method is called once at the beginning of each trial, i.e., right before the evaluation of the objective function. This method is suitable for sampling algorithms that use the relationship between parameters.

#### Parameters

- **study** – Target study object.
- **trial** – Target trial object.

- **search\_space** – The search space returned by `infer_relative_search_space()`.

**Returns** A dictionary containing the parameter names and the values.

### optuna.multi\_objective.samplers.RandomMultiObjectiveSampler

**class** optuna.multi\_objective.samplers.**RandomMultiObjectiveSampler** (*seed*: *Optional[int]* = *None*)

Multi-objective sampler using random sampling.

This sampler is based on *independent sampling*. See also `BaseMultiObjectiveSampler` for more details of ‘independent sampling’.

#### Example

```
import optuna
from optuna.multi_objective.samplers import RandomMultiObjectiveSampler

def objective(trial):
    x = trial.suggest_uniform("x", -5, 5)
    y = trial.suggest_uniform("y", -5, 5)
    return x ** 2, y + 10

study = optuna.multi_objective.create_study(
    ["minimize", "minimize"], sampler=RandomMultiObjectiveSampler()
)
study.optimize(objective, n_trials=10)
```

**Args:** `seed`: Seed for random number generator.

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**Note:** Added in v1.4.0 as an experimental feature. The interface may change in newer versions without prior notice. See <https://github.com/optuna/optuna/releases/tag/v1.4.0>.

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#### Methods

<code>infer_relative_search_space(study, trial)</code>	Infer the search space that will be used by relative sampling in the target trial.
<code>reseed_rng()</code>	Reseed sampler’s random number generator.
<code>sample_independent(study, trial, param_name, ...)</code>	Sample a parameter for a given distribution.
<code>sample_relative(study, trial, search_space)</code>	Sample parameters in a given search space.

**infer\_relative\_search\_space** (*study*: `optuna.multi_objective.study.MultiObjectiveStudy`,  
*trial*: `optuna.multi_objective.trial.FrozenMultiObjectiveTrial`)  
→ `Dict[str, optuna.distributions.BaseDistribution]`

Infer the search space that will be used by relative sampling in the target trial.

This method is called right before `sample_relative()` method, and the search space returned by this method is passed to it. The parameters not contained in the search space will be sampled by using `sample_independent()` method.

**Parameters**

- **study** – Target study object.
- **trial** – Target trial object.

**Returns** A dictionary containing the parameter names and parameter’s distributions.

**See also:**

Please refer to `intersection_search_space()` as an implementation of `infer_relative_search_space()`.

**reseed\_rng()** → `None`

Reseed sampler’s random number generator.

This method is called by the `MultiObjectiveStudy` instance if trials are executed in parallel with the option `n_jobs>1`. In that case, the sampler instance will be replicated including the state of the random number generator, and they may suggest the same values. To prevent this issue, this method assigns a different seed to each random number generator.

**sample\_independent** (*study*: `optuna.multi_objective.study.MultiObjectiveStudy`, *trial*: `optuna.multi_objective.trial.FrozenMultiObjectiveTrial`, *param\_name*: `str`, *param\_distribution*: `optuna.distributions.BaseDistribution`) → `Any`

Sample a parameter for a given distribution.

This method is called only for the parameters not contained in the search space returned by `sample_relative()` method. This method is suitable for sampling algorithms that do not use the relationship between parameters such as random sampling.

**Parameters**

- **study** – Target study object.
- **trial** – Target trial object.
- **param\_name** – Name of the sampled parameter.
- **param\_distribution** – Distribution object that specifies a prior and/or scale of the sampling algorithm.

**Returns** A parameter value.

**sample\_relative** (*study*: `optuna.multi_objective.study.MultiObjectiveStudy`, *trial*: `optuna.multi_objective.trial.FrozenMultiObjectiveTrial`, *search\_space*: `Dict[str, optuna.distributions.BaseDistribution]`) → `Dict[str, Any]`

Sample parameters in a given search space.

This method is called once at the beginning of each trial, i.e., right before the evaluation of the objective function. This method is suitable for sampling algorithms that use the relationship between parameters.

**Parameters**

- **study** – Target study object.
- **trial** – Target trial object.
- **search\_space** – The search space returned by `infer_relative_search_space()`.

**Returns** A dictionary containing the parameter names and the values.



**optuna.multi\_objective.samplers.MOTPEMultiObjectiveSampler**

```

class optuna.multi_objective.samplers.MOTPEMultiObjectiveSampler(consider_prior:
    bool = True,
    prior_weight:
    float = 1.0, consider_magic_clip:
    bool = True, consider_endpoints:
    bool = True, n_startup_trials:
    int = 10, n_ehvi_candidates:
    int = 24,
    gamma:
    Callable[[int],
    int] = <function default_gamma>,
    weights:
    Callable[[int],
    numpy.ndarray] = <function default_weights_above>,
    seed:
    Optional[int] = None)

```

Multi-objective sampler using the MOTPE algorithm.

This sampler is a multiobjective version of *TPESampler*.

For further information about MOTPE algorithm, please refer to the following paper:

- [Multiobjective tree-structured parzen estimator for computationally expensive optimization problems](#)

**Parameters**

- **consider\_prior** – Enhance the stability of Parzen estimator by imposing a Gaussian prior when `True`. The prior is only effective if the sampling distribution is either *UniformDistribution*, *DiscreteUniformDistribution*, *LogUniformDistribution*, *IntUniformDistribution*, or *IntLogUniformDistribution*.
- **prior\_weight** – The weight of the prior. This argument is used in *UniformDistribution*, *DiscreteUniformDistribution*, *LogUniformDistribution*, *IntUniformDistribution*, *IntLogUniformDistribution*, and *CategoricalDistribution*.
- **consider\_magic\_clip** – Enable a heuristic to limit the smallest variances of Gaussians used in the Parzen estimator.
- **consider\_endpoints** – Take endpoints of domains into account when calculating variances of Gaussians in Parzen estimator. See the original paper for details on the heuristics to calculate the variances.

- **n\_startup\_trials** – The random sampling is used instead of the MOTPE algorithm until the given number of trials finish in the same study.  $11 * \text{number of variables} - 1$  is recommended in the original paper.
- **n\_ehvi\_candidates** – Number of candidate samples used to calculate the expected hypervolume improvement.
- **gamma** – A function that takes the number of finished trials and returns the number of trials to form a density function for samples with low grains. See the original paper for more details.
- **weights** – A function that takes the number of finished trials and returns a weight for them. As default, weights are automatically calculated by the MOTPE's default strategy.
- **seed** – Seed for random number generator.

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**Note:** Initialization with Latin hypercube sampling may improve optimization performance. However, the current implementation only supports initialization with random sampling.

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### Example

```
import optuna

seed = 128
num_variables = 9
n_startup_trials = 11 * num_variables - 1

def objective(trial):
    x = []
    for i in range(1, num_variables + 1):
        x.append(trial.suggest_float(f"x{i}", 0.0, 2.0 * i))
    return x

sampler = optuna.multi_objective.samplers.MOTPEMultiObjectiveSampler(
    n_startup_trials=n_startup_trials, n_ehvi_candidates=24, seed=seed
)
study = optuna.multi_objective.create_study(["minimize"] * num_variables)
study.optimize(objective, n_trials=250)
```

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**Note:** Added in v2.3.0 as an experimental feature. The interface may change in newer versions without prior notice. See <https://github.com/optuna/optuna/releases/tag/v2.3.0>.

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## Methods

<code>hyperopt_parameters()</code>	Return the the default parameters of hyperopt (v0.1.2).
<code>infer_relative_search_space(study, trial)</code>	Infer the search space that will be used by relative sampling in the target trial.
<code>reseed_rng()</code>	Reseed sampler's random number generator.
<code>sample_independent(study, param_name, ...)</code>	Sample a parameter for a given distribution.
<code>sample_relative(study, trial, search_space)</code>	Sample parameters in a given search space.

**static hyperopt\_parameters ()** → Dict[str, Any]

Return the the default parameters of hyperopt (v0.1.2).

*TPESampler* can be instantiated with the parameters returned by this method.

## Example

Create a *TPESampler* instance with the default parameters of *hyperopt*.

```
import optuna
from optuna.samplers import TPESampler

def objective(trial):
    x = trial.suggest_uniform("x", -10, 10)
    return x ** 2

sampler = TPESampler(**TPESampler.hyperopt_parameters())
study = optuna.create_study(sampler=sampler)
study.optimize(objective, n_trials=10)
```

**Returns** A dictionary containing the default parameters of *hyperopt*.

**infer\_relative\_search\_space** (*study*: Union[optuna.study.Study, multi\_objective.study.MultiObjectiveStudy], *trial*: Union[optuna.trial.\_frozen.FrozenTrial, multi\_objective.trial.FrozenMultiObjectiveTrial]) → Dict[str, optuna.distributions.BaseDistribution]

Infer the search space that will be used by relative sampling in the target trial.

This method is called right before *sample\_relative()* method, and the search space returned by this method is pass to it. The parameters not contained in the search space will be sampled by using *sample\_independent()* method.

### Parameters

- **study** – Target study object.
- **trial** – Target trial object. Take a copy before modifying this object.

**Returns** A dictionary containing the parameter names and parameter's distributions.

**See also:**

Please refer to `intersection_search_space()` as an implementation of `infer_relative_search_space()`.

**reseed\_rng()** → `None`

Reseed sampler's random number generator.

This method is called by the `Study` instance if trials are executed in parallel with the option `n_jobs>1`. In that case, the sampler instance will be replicated including the state of the random number generator, and they may suggest the same values. To prevent this issue, this method assigns a different seed to each random number generator.

**sample\_independent** (*study*: `Union[optuna.study.Study, multi_objective.study.MultiObjectiveStudy]`, *trial*: `Union[optuna.trial._frozen.FrozenTrial, multi_objective.trial.FrozenMultiObjectiveTrial]`, *param\_name*: `str`, *param\_distribution*: `optuna.distributions.BaseDistribution`) → `Any`

Sample a parameter for a given distribution.

This method is called only for the parameters not contained in the search space returned by `sample_relative()` method. This method is suitable for sampling algorithms that do not use relationship between parameters such as random sampling and TPE.

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**Note:** The failed trials are ignored by any build-in samplers when they sample new parameters. Thus, failed trials are regarded as deleted in the samplers' perspective.

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#### Parameters

- **study** – Target study object.
- **trial** – Target trial object. Take a copy before modifying this object.
- **param\_name** – Name of the sampled parameter.
- **param\_distribution** – Distribution object that specifies a prior and/or scale of the sampling algorithm.

**Returns** A parameter value.

**sample\_relative** (*study*: `Union[optuna.study.Study, multi_objective.study.MultiObjectiveStudy]`, *trial*: `Union[optuna.trial._frozen.FrozenTrial, multi_objective.trial.FrozenMultiObjectiveTrial]`, *search\_space*: `Dict[str, optuna.distributions.BaseDistribution]`) → `Dict[str, Any]`

Sample parameters in a given search space.

This method is called once at the beginning of each trial, i.e., right before the evaluation of the objective function. This method is suitable for sampling algorithms that use relationship between parameters such as Gaussian Process and CMA-ES.

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**Note:** The failed trials are ignored by any build-in samplers when they sample new parameters. Thus, failed trials are regarded as deleted in the samplers' perspective.

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#### Parameters

- **study** – Target study object.
- **trial** – Target trial object. Take a copy before modifying this object.
- **search\_space** – The search space returned by `infer_relative_search_space()`.

**Returns** A dictionary containing the parameter names and the values.

### optuna.multi\_objective.study

<code>optuna.multi_objective.study.MultiObjectiveStudy</code>	A study corresponds to a multi-objective optimization task, i.e., a set of trials.
<code>optuna.multi_objective.study.create_study</code>	Create a new <code>MultiObjectiveStudy</code> .
<code>optuna.multi_objective.study.load_study</code>	Load the existing <code>MultiObjectiveStudy</code> that has the specified name.

### optuna.multi\_objective.study.MultiObjectiveStudy

**class** `optuna.multi_objective.study.MultiObjectiveStudy` (*study*: `optuna.study.Study`)

A study corresponds to a multi-objective optimization task, i.e., a set of trials.

This object provides interfaces to run a new `Trial`, access trials' history, set/get user-defined attributes of the study itself.

Note that the direct use of this constructor is not recommended. To create and load a study, please refer to the documentation of `create_study()` and `load_study()` respectively.

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**Note:** Added in v1.4.0 as an experimental feature. The interface may change in newer versions without prior notice. See <https://github.com/optuna/optuna/releases/tag/v1.4.0>.

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#### Methods

<code>enqueue_trial(params)</code>	Enqueue a trial with given parameter values.
<code>get_pareto_front_trials()</code>	Return trials located at the pareto front in the study.
<code>get_trials([deepcopy])</code>	Return all trials in the study.
<code>optimize(objective[, timeout, n_trials, ...])</code>	Optimize an objective function.
<code>set_system_attr(key, value)</code>	Set a system attribute to the study.
<code>set_user_attr(key, value)</code>	Set a user attribute to the study.

#### Attributes

<code>directions</code>	Return the optimization direction list.
<code>n_objectives</code>	Return the number of objectives.
<code>sampler</code>	Return the sampler.
<code>system_attrs</code>	Return system attributes.
<code>trials</code>	Return all trials in the study.
<code>user_attrs</code>	Return user attributes.

#### property `directions`

Return the optimization direction list.

**Returns** A list that contains the optimization direction for each objective value.

`enqueue_trial` (*params*: `Dict[str, Any]`) → `None`

Enqueue a trial with given parameter values.

You can fix the next sampling parameters which will be evaluated in your objective function.

Please refer to the documentation of `optuna.study.Study.enqueue_trial()` for further details.

**Parameters** `params` – Parameter values to pass your objective function.

`get_pareto_front_trials` () → `List[optuna.multi_objective.trial.FrozenMultiObjectiveTrial]`

Return trials located at the pareto front in the study.

A trial is located at the pareto front if there are no trials that dominate the trial. It's called that a trial `t0` dominates another trial `t1` if `all(v0 <= v1)` for `v0, v1` in `zip(t0.values, t1.values)` and `any(v0 < v1)` for `v0, v1` in `zip(t0.values, t1.values)` are held.

**Returns** A list of `FrozenMultiObjectiveTrial` objects.

`get_trials` (*deepcopy*: `bool = True`) → `List[optuna.multi_objective.trial.FrozenMultiObjectiveTrial]`

Return all trials in the study.

The returned trials are ordered by trial number.

For library users, it's recommended to use more handy `trials` property to get the trials instead.

**Parameters** `deepcopy` – Flag to control whether to apply `copy.deepcopy()` to the trials.

Note that if you set the flag to `False`, you shouldn't mutate any fields of the returned trial.

Otherwise the internal state of the study may corrupt and unexpected behavior may happen.

**Returns** A list of `FrozenMultiObjectiveTrial` objects.

**property** `n_objectives`

Return the number of objectives.

**Returns** Number of objectives.

`optimize` (*objective*: `Callable[[multi_objective.trial.MultiObjectiveTrial], Sequence[float]]`, *timeout*: `Optional[int] = None`, *n\_trials*: `Optional[int] = None`, *n\_jobs*: `int = 1`, *catch*: `Tuple[Type[Exception], ...] = ()`, *callbacks*: `Optional[List[Callable[[multi_objective.study.MultiObjectiveStudy, multi_objective.trial.FrozenMultiObjectiveTrial], None]] = None`, *gc\_after\_trial*: `bool = True`, *show\_progress\_bar*: `bool = False`) → `None`

Optimize an objective function.

This method is the same as `optuna.study.Study.optimize()` except for taking an objective function that returns multi-objective values as the argument.

Please refer to the documentation of `optuna.study.Study.optimize()` for further details.

## Example

```
import optuna

def objective(trial):
    # Binh and Korn function.
    x = trial.suggest_float("x", 0, 5)
    y = trial.suggest_float("y", 0, 3)

    v0 = 4 * x ** 2 + 4 * y ** 2
    v1 = (x - 5) ** 2 + (y - 5) ** 2
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```

return v0, v1

study = optuna.multi_objective.create_study(["minimize", "minimize"])
study.optimize(objective, n_trials=3)

```

**property sampler**

Return the sampler.

**Returns** A `BaseMultiObjectiveSampler` object.**set\_system\_attr** (*key: str, value: Any*) → `None`

Set a system attribute to the study.

Note that Optuna internally uses this method to save system messages. Please use `set_user_attr()` to set users' attributes.

**Parameters**

- **key** – A key string of the attribute.
- **value** – A value of the attribute. The value should be JSON serializable.

**set\_user\_attr** (*key: str, value: Any*) → `None`

Set a user attribute to the study.

**Parameters**

- **key** – A key string of the attribute.
- **value** – A value of the attribute. The value should be JSON serializable.

**property system\_attrs**

Return system attributes.

**Returns** A dictionary containing all system attributes.**property trials**

Return all trials in the study.

The returned trials are ordered by trial number.

This is a short form of `self.get_trials(deepcopy=True)`.**Returns** A list of `FrozenMultiObjectiveTrial` objects.**property user\_attrs**

Return user attributes.

**Returns** A dictionary containing all user attributes.**optuna.multi\_objective.study.create\_study**

`optuna.multi_objective.study.create_study` (*directions: List[str], study\_name: Optional[str] = None, storage: Union[str, optuna.storages.\_base.BaseStorage, None] = None, sampler: Optional[multi\_objective.samplers.BaseMultiObjectiveSampler] = None, load\_if\_exists: bool = False*) → `optuna.multi_objective.study.MultiObjectiveStudy`

Create a new `MultiObjectiveStudy`.

## Example

```
import optuna

def objective(trial):
    # Binh and Korn function.
    x = trial.suggest_float("x", 0, 5)
    y = trial.suggest_float("y", 0, 3)

    v0 = 4 * x ** 2 + 4 * y ** 2
    v1 = (x - 5) ** 2 + (y - 5) ** 2
    return v0, v1

study = optuna.multi_objective.create_study(["minimize", "minimize"])
study.optimize(objective, n_trials=3)
```

## Parameters

- **directions** – Optimization direction for each objective value. Set `minimize` for minimization and `maximize` for maximization.
- **study\_name** – Study’s name. If this argument is set to `None`, a unique name is generated automatically.
- **storage** – Database URL. If this argument is set to `None`, in-memory storage is used, and the *Study* will not be persistent.

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### Note:

When a database URL is passed, Optuna internally uses [SQLAlchemy](#) to handle the database. Please refer to [SQLAlchemy’s document](#) for further details. If you want to specify non-default options to [SQLAlchemy Engine](#), you can instantiate [RDBStorage](#) with your desired options and pass it to the `storage` argument instead of a URL.

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- **sampler** – A sampler object that implements background algorithm for value suggestion. If `None` is specified, [NSGAIIMultiObjectiveSampler](#) is used as the default. See also [samplers](#).
- **load\_if\_exists** – Flag to control the behavior to handle a conflict of study names. In the case where a study named `study_name` already exists in the storage, a [DuplicatedStudyError](#) is raised if `load_if_exists` is set to `False`. Otherwise, the creation of the study is skipped, and the existing one is returned.

**Returns** A *MultiObjectiveStudy* object.

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**Note:** Added in v1.4.0 as an experimental feature. The interface may change in newer versions without prior notice. See <https://github.com/optuna/optuna/releases/tag/v1.4.0>.

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## optuna.multi\_objective.study.load\_study

`optuna.multi_objective.study.load_study` (*study\_name*: *str*, *storage*: *Union[str, optuna.storages\_base.BaseStorage]*, *sampler*: *Optional[multi\_objective.samplers.BaseMultiObjectiveSampler]* = *None*) → *optuna.multi\_objective.study.MultiObjectiveStudy*

Load the existing *MultiObjectiveStudy* that has the specified name.

### Example

```
import optuna

def objective(trial):
    # Binh and Korn function.
    x = trial.suggest_float("x", 0, 5)
    y = trial.suggest_float("y", 0, 3)

    v0 = 4 * x ** 2 + 4 * y ** 2
    v1 = (x - 5) ** 2 + (y - 5) ** 2
    return v0, v1

study = optuna.multi_objective.create_study(
    directions=["minimize", "minimize"],
    study_name="my_study",
    storage="sqlite:///example.db",
)
study.optimize(objective, n_trials=3)

loaded_study = optuna.multi_objective.study.load_study(
    study_name="my_study", storage="sqlite:///example.db"
)
assert len(loaded_study.trials) == len(study.trials)
```

### Parameters

- **study\_name** – Study’s name. Each study has a unique name as an identifier.
- **storage** – Database URL such as `sqlite:///example.db`. Please see also the documentation of `create_study()` for further details.
- **sampler** – A sampler object that implements background algorithm for value suggestion. If `None` is specified, `RandomMultiObjectiveSampler` is used as the default. See also `samplers`.

**Returns** A *MultiObjectiveStudy* object.

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**Note:** Added in v1.4.0 as an experimental feature. The interface may change in newer versions without prior notice. See <https://github.com/optuna/optuna/releases/tag/v1.4.0>.

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## optuna.multi\_objective.trial

<code>optuna.multi_objective.trial.MultiObjectiveTrial</code>	A trial is a process of evaluating an objective function.
<code>optuna.multi_objective.trial.FrozenMultiObjectiveTrial</code>	Status and results of a <code>MultiObjectiveTrial</code> .

## optuna.multi\_objective.trial.MultiObjectiveTrial

**class** `optuna.multi_objective.trial.MultiObjectiveTrial` (*trial: optuna.trial.\_trial.Trial*)

A trial is a process of evaluating an objective function.

This object is passed to an objective function and provides interfaces to get parameter suggestion, manage the trial's state, and set/get user-defined attributes of the trial.

Note that the direct use of this constructor is not recommended. This object is seamlessly instantiated and passed to the objective function behind the `optuna.multi_objective.study.MultiObjectiveStudy.optimize()` method; hence library users do not care about instantiation of this object.

**Parameters** `trial` – A `Trial` object.

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**Note:** Added in v1.4.0 as an experimental feature. The interface may change in newer versions without prior notice. See <https://github.com/optuna/optuna/releases/tag/v1.4.0>.

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### Methods

<code>report(values, step)</code>	Report intermediate objective function values for a given step.
<code>set_system_attr(key, value)</code>	Set system attributes to the trial.
<code>set_user_attr(key, value)</code>	Set user attributes to the trial.
<code>suggest_categorical(name, choices)</code>	Suggest a value for the categorical parameter.
<code>suggest_discrete_uniform(name, low, high, q)</code>	Suggest a value for the discrete parameter.
<code>suggest_float(name, low, high, *, step, log)</code>	Suggest a value for the floating point parameter.
<code>suggest_int(name, low, high[, step, log])</code>	Suggest a value for the integer parameter.
<code>suggest_loguniform(name, low, high)</code>	Suggest a value for the continuous parameter.
<code>suggest_uniform(name, low, high)</code>	Suggest a value for the continuous parameter.

### Attributes

<code>datetime_start</code>	Return start datetime.
<code>distributions</code>	Return distributions of parameters to be optimized.
<code>number</code>	Return trial's number which is consecutive and unique in a study.
<code>params</code>	Return parameters to be optimized.
<code>system_attrs</code>	Return system attributes.

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<code>user_attrs</code>	Return user attributes.
<b>property <code>datetime_start</code></b>	Return start datetime.  <b>Returns</b> Datetime where the <i>Trial</i> started.
<b>property <code>distributions</code></b>	Return distributions of parameters to be optimized.  <b>Returns</b> A dictionary containing all distributions.
<b>property <code>number</code></b>	Return trial's number which is consecutive and unique in a study.  <b>Returns</b> A trial number.
<b>property <code>params</code></b>	Return parameters to be optimized.  <b>Returns</b> A dictionary containing all parameters.
<b>report</b> ( <i>values: Sequence[float], step: int</i> ) → None	Report intermediate objective function values for a given step.  The reported values are used by the pruners to determine whether this trial should be pruned.  <b>See also:</b>  Please refer to <i>BasePruner</i> .
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<b>Note:</b> The reported values are converted to <code>float</code> type by applying <code>float()</code> function internally. Thus, it accepts all float-like types (e.g., <code>numpy.float32</code> ). If the conversion fails, a <code>TypeError</code> is raised.	
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<b>Parameters</b>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>values</b> – Intermediate objective function values for a given step.</li> <li>• <b>step</b> – Step of the trial (e.g., Epoch of neural network training).</li> </ul>	
<b>set_system_attr</b> ( <i>key: str, value: Any</i> ) → None	Set system attributes to the trial.  Please refer to the documentation of <code>optuna.trial.Trial.set_system_attr()</code> for further details.
<b>set_user_attr</b> ( <i>key: str, value: Any</i> ) → None	Set user attributes to the trial.  Please refer to the documentation of <code>optuna.trial.Trial.set_user_attr()</code> for further details.
<b>suggest_categorical</b> ( <i>name: str, choices: Sequence[Union[None, bool, int, float, str]]</i> ) → Union[None, bool, int, float, str]	Suggest a value for the categorical parameter.  Please refer to the documentation of <code>optuna.trial.Trial.suggest_categorical()</code> for further details.
<b>suggest_discrete_uniform</b> ( <i>name: str, low: float, high: float, q: float</i> ) → float	Suggest a value for the discrete parameter.

Please refer to the documentation of `optuna.trial.Trial.suggest_discrete_uniform()` for further details.

**suggest\_float** (*name: str, low: float, high: float, \*, step: Optional[float] = None, log: bool = False*)

→ float  
Suggest a value for the floating point parameter.

Please refer to the documentation of `optuna.trial.Trial.suggest_float()` for further details.

**suggest\_int** (*name: str, low: int, high: int, step: int = 1, log: bool = False*) → int

Suggest a value for the integer parameter.

Please refer to the documentation of `optuna.trial.Trial.suggest_int()` for further details.

**suggest\_loguniform** (*name: str, low: float, high: float*) → float

Suggest a value for the continuous parameter.

Please refer to the documentation of `optuna.trial.Trial.suggest_loguniform()` for further details.

**suggest\_uniform** (*name: str, low: float, high: float*) → float

Suggest a value for the continuous parameter.

Please refer to the documentation of `optuna.trial.Trial.suggest_uniform()` for further details.

**property system\_attrs**

Return system attributes.

**Returns** A dictionary containing all system attributes.

**property user\_attrs**

Return user attributes.

**Returns** A dictionary containing all user attributes.

## optuna.multi\_objective.trial.FrozenMultiObjectiveTrial

**class** `optuna.multi_objective.trial.FrozenMultiObjectiveTrial` (*n\_objectives: int, trial: optuna.trial.\_frozen.FrozenTrial*)

Status and results of a `MultiObjectiveTrial`.

**number**

Unique and consecutive number of `MultiObjectiveTrial` for each `MultiObjectiveStudy`. Note that this field uses zero-based numbering.

**state**

`TrialState` of the `MultiObjectiveTrial`.

**values**

Objective values of the `MultiObjectiveTrial`.

**datetime\_start**

Datetime where the `MultiObjectiveTrial` started.

**datetime\_complete**

Datetime where the `MultiObjectiveTrial` finished.

**params**

Dictionary that contains suggested parameters.

**distributions**

Dictionary that contains the distributions of *params*.

**user\_attrs**

Dictionary that contains the attributes of the *MultiObjectiveTrial* set with *optuna.multi\_objective.trial.MultiObjectiveTrial.set\_user\_attr()*.

**intermediate\_values**

Intermediate objective values set with *optuna.multi\_objective.trial.MultiObjectiveTrial.report()*.

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**Note:** Added in v1.4.0 as an experimental feature. The interface may change in newer versions without prior notice. See <https://github.com/optuna/optuna/releases/tag/v1.4.0>.

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**Attributes**


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*datetime\_complete*

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*datetime\_start*

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*distributions*

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*last\_step*

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*number*

---

*params*

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*state*

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*system\_attrs*

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*user\_attrs*

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**optuna.multi\_objective.visualization**


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**Note:** *optuna.multi\_objective.visualization* module uses plotly to create figures, but JupyterLab cannot render them by default. Please follow this [installation guide](#) to show figures in JupyterLab.

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*optuna.multi\_objective.visualization*. Plot the pareto front of a study.

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*plot\_pareto\_front*

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**optuna.multi\_objective.visualization.plot\_pareto\_front**

*optuna.multi\_objective.visualization.plot\_pareto\_front* (*study*: *optuna.multi\_objective.study.MultiObjectiveStudy*, *names*: *Optional[List[str]] = None*, *include\_dominated\_trials*: *bool = False*) → *go.Figure*

Plot the pareto front of a study.

## Example

The following code snippet shows how to plot the pareto front of a study.

```
import optuna

def objective(trial):
    x = trial.suggest_float("x", 0, 5)
    y = trial.suggest_float("y", 0, 3)

    v0 = 4 * x ** 2 + 4 * y ** 2
    v1 = (x - 5) ** 2 + (y - 5) ** 2
    return v0, v1

study = optuna.multi_objective.create_study(["minimize", "minimize"])
study.optimize(objective, n_trials=50)

optuna.multi_objective.visualization.plot_pareto_front(study)
```

### Parameters

- **study** – A *MultiObjectiveStudy* object whose trials are plotted for their objective values.
- **names** – Objective name list used as the axis titles. If *None* is specified, “Objective {objective\_index}” is used instead.
- **include\_dominated\_trials** – A flag to include all dominated trial’s objective values.

**Returns** A `plotly.graph_objs.Figure` object.

**Raises** **ValueError** – If the number of objectives of `study` isn’t 2 or 3.

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**Note:** Added in v2.0.0 as an experimental feature. The interface may change in newer versions without prior notice. See <https://github.com/optuna/optuna/releases/tag/v2.0.0>.

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## 6.3.9 optuna.pruners

The *pruners* module defines a *BasePruner* class characterized by an abstract *prune()* method, which, for a given trial and its associated study, returns a boolean value representing whether the trial should be pruned. This determination is made based on stored intermediate values of the objective function, as previously reported for the trial using *optuna.trial.Trial.report()*. The remaining classes in this module represent child classes, inheriting from *BasePruner*, which implement different pruning strategies.

<i>optuna.pruners.BasePruner</i>	Base class for pruners.
<i>optuna.pruners.MedianPruner</i>	Pruner using the median stopping rule.
<i>optuna.pruners.NopPruner</i>	Pruner which never prunes trials.
<i>optuna.pruners.PercentilePruner</i>	Pruner to keep the specified percentile of the trials.
<i>optuna.pruners.SuccessiveHalvingPruner</i>	Pruner using Asynchronous Successive Halving Algorithm.

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<code>optuna.pruners.HyperbandPruner</code>	Pruner using Hyperband.
<code>optuna.pruners.ThresholdPruner</code>	Pruner to detect outlying metrics of the trials.

## optuna.pruners.BasePruner

**class** `optuna.pruners.BasePruner`

Base class for pruners.

### Methods

<code>prune(study, trial)</code>	Judge whether the trial should be pruned based on the reported values.
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**abstract** `prune(study: optuna.study.Study, trial: optuna.trial._frozen.FrozenTrial) → bool`

Judge whether the trial should be pruned based on the reported values.

Note that this method is not supposed to be called by library users. Instead, `optuna.trial.Trial.report()` and `optuna.trial.Trial.should_prune()` provide user interfaces to implement pruning mechanism in an objective function.

#### Parameters

- **study** – Study object of the target study.
- **trial** – FrozenTrial object of the target trial. Take a copy before modifying this object.

**Returns** A boolean value representing whether the trial should be pruned.

## optuna.pruners.MedianPruner

**class** `optuna.pruners.MedianPruner(n_startup_trials: int = 5, n_warmup_steps: int = 0, interval_steps: int = 1)`

Pruner using the median stopping rule.

Prune if the trial's best intermediate result is worse than median of intermediate results of previous trials at the same step.

### Example

We minimize an objective function with the median stopping rule.

```
import numpy as np
from sklearn.datasets import load_iris
from sklearn.linear_model import SGDClassifier
from sklearn.model_selection import train_test_split

import optuna

X, y = load_iris(return_X_y=True)
X_train, X_valid, y_train, y_valid = train_test_split(X, y)
classes = np.unique(y)
```

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```

def objective(trial):
    alpha = trial.suggest_uniform("alpha", 0.0, 1.0)
    clf = SGDClassifier(alpha=alpha)
    n_train_iter = 100

    for step in range(n_train_iter):
        clf.partial_fit(X_train, y_train, classes=classes)

        intermediate_value = clf.score(X_valid, y_valid)
        trial.report(intermediate_value, step)

        if trial.should_prune():
            raise optuna.TrialPruned()

    return clf.score(X_valid, y_valid)

study = optuna.create_study(
    direction="maximize",
    pruner=optuna.pruners.MedianPruner(
        n_startup_trials=5, n_warmup_steps=30, interval_steps=10
    ),
)
study.optimize(objective, n_trials=20)

```

### Parameters

- **n\_startup\_trials** – Pruning is disabled until the given number of trials finish in the same study.
- **n\_warmup\_steps** – Pruning is disabled until the trial exceeds the given number of step. Note that this feature assumes that `step` starts at zero.
- **interval\_steps** – Interval in number of steps between the pruning checks, offset by the warmup steps. If no value has been reported at the time of a pruning check, that particular check will be postponed until a value is reported.

### Methods

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<code>prune(study, trial)</code>	Judge whether the trial should be pruned based on the reported values.
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**prune** (*study*: `optuna.study.Study`, *trial*: `optuna.trial._frozen.FrozenTrial`) → `bool`

Judge whether the trial should be pruned based on the reported values.

Note that this method is not supposed to be called by library users. Instead, `optuna.trial.Trial.report()` and `optuna.trial.Trial.should_prune()` provide user interfaces to implement pruning mechanism in an objective function.

### Parameters

- **study** – Study object of the target study.
- **trial** – `FrozenTrial` object of the target trial. Take a copy before modifying this object.



**Returns** A boolean value representing whether the trial should be pruned.

## optuna.pruners.NopPruner

**class** optuna.pruners.NopPruner  
Pruner which never prunes trials.

### Example

```
import numpy as np
from sklearn.datasets import load_iris
from sklearn.linear_model import SGDClassifier
from sklearn.model_selection import train_test_split

import optuna

X, y = load_iris(return_X_y=True)
X_train, X_valid, y_train, y_valid = train_test_split(X, y)
classes = np.unique(y)

def objective(trial):
    alpha = trial.suggest_uniform("alpha", 0.0, 1.0)
    clf = SGDClassifier(alpha=alpha)
    n_train_iter = 100

    for step in range(n_train_iter):
        clf.partial_fit(X_train, y_train, classes=classes)

        intermediate_value = clf.score(X_valid, y_valid)
        trial.report(intermediate_value, step)

        if trial.should_prune():
            assert False, "should_prune() should always return False with this_
↳pruner."
            raise optuna.TrialPruned()

    return clf.score(X_valid, y_valid)

study = optuna.create_study(direction="maximize", pruner=optuna.pruners.
↳NopPruner())
study.optimize(objective, n_trials=20)
```

### Methods

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<code>prune(study, trial)</code>	Judge whether the trial should be pruned based on the reported values.
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**prune** (*study*: optuna.study.Study, *trial*: optuna.trial.\_frozen.FrozenTrial) → bool

Judge whether the trial should be pruned based on the reported values.

Note that this method is not supposed to be called by library users. Instead, `optuna.trial.Trial.`

`report()` and `optuna.trial.Trial.should_prune()` provide user interfaces to implement pruning mechanism in an objective function.

#### Parameters

- **study** – Study object of the target study.
- **trial** – FrozenTrial object of the target trial. Take a copy before modifying this object.

**Returns** A boolean value representing whether the trial should be pruned.

### optuna.pruners.PercentilePruner

**class** `optuna.pruners.PercentilePruner` (*percentile: float, n\_startup\_trials: int = 5, n\_warmup\_steps: int = 0, interval\_steps: int = 1*)

Pruner to keep the specified percentile of the trials.

Prune if the best intermediate value is in the bottom percentile among trials at the same step.

#### Example

```
import numpy as np
from sklearn.datasets import load_iris
from sklearn.linear_model import SGDClassifier
from sklearn.model_selection import train_test_split

import optuna

X, y = load_iris(return_X_y=True)
X_train, X_valid, y_train, y_valid = train_test_split(X, y)
classes = np.unique(y)

def objective(trial):
    alpha = trial.suggest_uniform("alpha", 0.0, 1.0)
    clf = SGDClassifier(alpha=alpha)
    n_train_iter = 100

    for step in range(n_train_iter):
        clf.partial_fit(X_train, y_train, classes=classes)

        intermediate_value = clf.score(X_valid, y_valid)
        trial.report(intermediate_value, step)

        if trial.should_prune():
            raise optuna.TrialPruned()

    return clf.score(X_valid, y_valid)

study = optuna.create_study(
    direction="maximize",
    pruner=optuna.pruners.PercentilePruner(
        25.0, n_startup_trials=5, n_warmup_steps=30, interval_steps=10
    ),
)
study.optimize(objective, n_trials=20)
```

### Parameters

- **percentile** – Percentile which must be between 0 and 100 inclusive (e.g., When given 25.0, top of 25th percentile trials are kept).
- **n\_startup\_trials** – Pruning is disabled until the given number of trials finish in the same study.
- **n\_warmup\_steps** – Pruning is disabled until the trial exceeds the given number of step. Note that this feature assumes that `step` starts at zero.
- **interval\_steps** – Interval in number of steps between the pruning checks, offset by the warmup steps. If no value has been reported at the time of a pruning check, that particular check will be postponed until a value is reported. Value must be at least 1.

### Methods

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<code>prune(study, trial)</code>	Judge whether the trial should be pruned based on the reported values.
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**prune** (*study*: `optuna.study.Study`, *trial*: `optuna.trial._frozen.FrozenTrial`) → `bool`

Judge whether the trial should be pruned based on the reported values.

Note that this method is not supposed to be called by library users. Instead, `optuna.trial.Trial.report()` and `optuna.trial.Trial.should_prune()` provide user interfaces to implement pruning mechanism in an objective function.

#### Parameters

- **study** – Study object of the target study.
- **trial** – `FrozenTrial` object of the target trial. Take a copy before modifying this object.

**Returns** A boolean value representing whether the trial should be pruned.

### `optuna.pruners.SuccessiveHalvingPruner`

```
class optuna.pruners.SuccessiveHalvingPruner (min_resource: Union[str, int] = 'auto',
                                             reduction_factor: int = 4,
                                             min_early_stopping_rate: int = 0)
```

Pruner using Asynchronous Successive Halving Algorithm.

[Successive Halving](#) is a bandit-based algorithm to identify the best one among multiple configurations. This class implements an asynchronous version of Successive Halving. Please refer to the paper of [Asynchronous Successive Halving](#) for detailed descriptions.

Note that, this class does not take care of the parameter for the maximum resource, referred to as  $R$  in the paper. The maximum resource allocated to a trial is typically limited inside the objective function (e.g., `step` number in `simple.py`, EPOCH number in `chainer_integration.py`).

#### See also:

Please refer to `report()`.

## Example

We minimize an objective function with SuccessiveHalvingPruner.

```
import numpy as np
from sklearn.datasets import load_iris
from sklearn.linear_model import SGDClassifier
from sklearn.model_selection import train_test_split

import optuna

X, y = load_iris(return_X_y=True)
X_train, X_valid, y_train, y_valid = train_test_split(X, y)
classes = np.unique(y)

def objective(trial):
    alpha = trial.suggest_uniform("alpha", 0.0, 1.0)
    clf = SGDClassifier(alpha=alpha)
    n_train_iter = 100

    for step in range(n_train_iter):
        clf.partial_fit(X_train, y_train, classes=classes)

        intermediate_value = clf.score(X_valid, y_valid)
        trial.report(intermediate_value, step)

        if trial.should_prune():
            raise optuna.TrialPruned()

    return clf.score(X_valid, y_valid)

study = optuna.create_study(
    direction="maximize", pruner=optuna.pruners.SuccessiveHalvingPruner()
)
study.optimize(objective, n_trials=20)
```

## Parameters

- **min\_resource** – A parameter for specifying the minimum resource allocated to a trial (in the [paper](#) this parameter is referred to as  $r$ ). This parameter defaults to ‘auto’ where the value is determined based on a heuristic that looks at the number of required steps for the first trial to complete.

A trial is never pruned until it executes  $\text{min\_resource} \times \text{reduction\_factor}^{\text{min\_early\_stopping\_rate}}$  steps (i.e., the completion point of the first rung). When the trial completes the first rung, it will be promoted to the next rung only if the value of the trial is placed in the top  $\frac{1}{\text{reduction\_factor}}$  fraction of the all trials that already have reached the point (otherwise it will be pruned there). If the trial won the competition, it runs until the next completion point (i.e.,  $\text{min\_resource} \times \text{reduction\_factor}^{(\text{min\_early\_stopping\_rate} + \text{rung})}$  steps) and repeats the same procedure.

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**Note:** If the step of the last intermediate value may change with each trial, please manually specify the minimum possible step to `min_resource`.

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- **reduction\_factor** – A parameter for specifying reduction factor of promotable trials (in the [paper](#) this parameter is referred to as  $\eta$ ). At the completion point of each rung, about  $\frac{1}{\text{reduction\_factor}}$  trials will be promoted.
- **min\_early\_stopping\_rate** – A parameter for specifying the minimum early-stopping rate (in the [paper](#) this parameter is referred to as  $s$ ).

## Methods

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<code>prune(study, trial)</code>	Judge whether the trial should be pruned based on the reported values.
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**prune** (*study*: `optuna.study.Study`, *trial*: `optuna.trial._frozen.FrozenTrial`) → `bool`

Judge whether the trial should be pruned based on the reported values.

Note that this method is not supposed to be called by library users. Instead, `optuna.trial.Trial.report()` and `optuna.trial.Trial.should_prune()` provide user interfaces to implement pruning mechanism in an objective function.

### Parameters

- **study** – Study object of the target study.
- **trial** – `FrozenTrial` object of the target trial. Take a copy before modifying this object.

**Returns** A boolean value representing whether the trial should be pruned.

## `optuna.pruners.HyperbandPruner`

**class** `optuna.pruners.HyperbandPruner` (*min\_resource*: `int = 1`, *max\_resource*: `Union[str, int] = 'auto'`, *reduction\_factor*: `int = 3`)

Pruner using Hyperband.

As SuccessiveHalving (SHA) requires the number of configurations  $n$  as its hyperparameter. For a given finite budget  $B$ , all the configurations have the resources of  $\frac{B}{n}$  on average. As you can see, there will be a trade-off of  $B$  and  $\frac{B}{n}$ . `Hyperband` attacks this trade-off by trying different  $n$  values for a fixed budget.

### Note:

- In the Hyperband paper, the counterpart of `RandomSampler` is used.
- Optuna uses `TPESampler` by default.
- The benchmark result shows that `optuna.pruners.HyperbandPruner` supports both samplers.

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**Note:** If you use `HyperbandPruner` with `TPESampler`, it's recommended to consider to set larger `n_trials` or `timeout` to make full use of the characteristics of `TPESampler` because `TPESampler` uses some (by default, 10) `Trials` for its startup.

As Hyperband runs multiple `SuccessiveHalvingPruner` and collect trials based on the current `Trial`'s bracket ID, each bracket needs to observe more than 10 `Trials` for `TPESampler` to adapt its search space.

Thus, for example, if `HyperbandPruner` has 4 pruners in it, at least  $4 \times 10$  trials are consumed for startup.

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**Note:** Hyperband has several *SuccessiveHalvingPruner*. Each *SuccessiveHalvingPruner* is referred as “bracket” in the original paper. The number of brackets is an important factor to control the early stopping behavior of Hyperband and is automatically determined by `min_resource`, `max_resource` and `reduction_factor` as *The number of brackets =  $\text{floor}(\log_{\text{reduction\_factor}}(\text{max\_resource} / \text{min\_resource})) + 1$* . Please set `reduction_factor` so that the number of brackets is not too large (about 4 ~ 6 in most use cases). Please see Section 3.6 of the [original paper](#) for the detail.

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**See also:**

Please refer to `report()`.

### Example

We minimize an objective function with Hyperband pruning algorithm.

```
import numpy as np
from sklearn.datasets import load_iris
from sklearn.linear_model import SGDClassifier
from sklearn.model_selection import train_test_split

import optuna

X, y = load_iris(return_X_y=True)
X_train, X_valid, y_train, y_valid = train_test_split(X, y)
classes = np.unique(y)
n_train_iter = 100

def objective(trial):
    alpha = trial.suggest_uniform("alpha", 0.0, 1.0)
    clf = SGDClassifier(alpha=alpha)

    for step in range(n_train_iter):
        clf.partial_fit(X_train, y_train, classes=classes)

        intermediate_value = clf.score(X_valid, y_valid)
        trial.report(intermediate_value, step)

        if trial.should_prune():
            raise optuna.TrialPruned()

    return clf.score(X_valid, y_valid)

study = optuna.create_study(
    direction="maximize",
    pruner=optuna.pruners.HyperbandPruner(
        min_resource=1, max_resource=n_train_iter, reduction_factor=3
    ),
)
study.optimize(objective, n_trials=20)
```

### Parameters

- **min\_resource** – A parameter for specifying the minimum resource allocated to a trial noted as  $r$  in the paper. A smaller  $r$  will give a result faster, but a larger  $r$  will

give a better guarantee of successful judging between configurations. See the details for *SuccessiveHalvingPruner*.

- **max\_resource** – A parameter for specifying the maximum resource allocated to a trial.  $R$  in the paper corresponds to `max_resource / min_resource`. This value represents and should match the maximum iteration steps (e.g., the number of epochs for neural networks). When this argument is “auto”, the maximum resource is estimated according to the completed trials. The default value of this argument is “auto”.

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**Note:** With “auto”, the maximum resource will be the largest step reported by `report()` in the first, or one of the first if trained in parallel, completed trial. No trials will be pruned until the maximum resource is determined.

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**Note:** If the step of the last intermediate value may change with each trial, please manually specify the maximum possible step to `max_resource`.

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- **reduction\_factor** – A parameter for specifying reduction factor of promotable trials noted as  $\eta$  in the paper. See the details for *SuccessiveHalvingPruner*.

## Methods

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<code>prune(study, trial)</code>	Judge whether the trial should be pruned based on the reported values.
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**prune** (*study*: `optuna.study.Study`, *trial*: `optuna.trial._frozen.FrozenTrial`) → `bool`

Judge whether the trial should be pruned based on the reported values.

Note that this method is not supposed to be called by library users. Instead, `optuna.trial.Trial.report()` and `optuna.trial.Trial.should_prune()` provide user interfaces to implement pruning mechanism in an objective function.

### Parameters

- **study** – Study object of the target study.
- **trial** – `FrozenTrial` object of the target trial. Take a copy before modifying this object.

**Returns** A boolean value representing whether the trial should be pruned.

## `optuna.pruners.ThresholdPruner`

**class** `optuna.pruners.ThresholdPruner` (*lower*: `Optional[float] = None`, *upper*: `Optional[float] = None`, *n\_warmup\_steps*: `int = 0`, *interval\_steps*: `int = 1`)

Pruner to detect outlying metrics of the trials.

Prune if a metric exceeds upper threshold, falls behind lower threshold or reaches `nan`.

### Example

```
from optuna import create_study
from optuna.pruners import ThresholdPruner
from optuna import TrialPruned

def objective_for_upper(trial):
    for step, y in enumerate(ys_for_upper):
        trial.report(y, step)

        if trial.should_prune():
            raise TrialPruned()
    return ys_for_upper[-1]

def objective_for_lower(trial):
    for step, y in enumerate(ys_for_lower):
        trial.report(y, step)

        if trial.should_prune():
            raise TrialPruned()
    return ys_for_lower[-1]

ys_for_upper = [0.0, 0.1, 0.2, 0.5, 1.2]
ys_for_lower = [100.0, 90.0, 0.1, 0.0, -1]

study = create_study(pruner=ThresholdPruner(upper=1.0))
study.optimize(objective_for_upper, n_trials=10)

study = create_study(pruner=ThresholdPruner(lower=0.0))
study.optimize(objective_for_lower, n_trials=10)
```

### Args

- lower:** A minimum value which determines whether pruner prunes or not. If an intermediate value is smaller than lower, it prunes.
- upper:** A maximum value which determines whether pruner prunes or not. If an intermediate value is larger than upper, it prunes.
- n\_warmup\_steps:** Pruning is disabled if the step is less than the given number of warmup steps.
- interval\_steps:** Interval in number of steps between the pruning checks, offset by the warmup steps. If no value has been reported at the time of a pruning check, that particular check will be postponed until a value is reported. Value must be at least 1.



## Methods

<code>prune(study, trial)</code>	Judge whether the trial should be pruned based on the reported values.
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**prune** (*study*: `optuna.study.Study`, *trial*: `optuna.trial._frozen.FrozenTrial`) → `bool`

Judge whether the trial should be pruned based on the reported values.

Note that this method is not supposed to be called by library users. Instead, `optuna.trial.Trial.report()` and `optuna.trial.Trial.should_prune()` provide user interfaces to implement pruning mechanism in an objective function.

### Parameters

- **study** – Study object of the target study.
- **trial** – FrozenTrial object of the target trial. Take a copy before modifying this object.

**Returns** A boolean value representing whether the trial should be pruned.

## 6.3.10 optuna.samplers

The `samplers` module defines a base class for parameter sampling as described extensively in `BaseSampler`. The remaining classes in this module represent child classes, deriving from `BaseSampler`, which implement different sampling strategies.

<code>optuna.samplers.BaseSampler</code>	Base class for samplers.
<code>optuna.samplers.GridSampler</code>	Sampler using grid search.
<code>optuna.samplers.RandomSampler</code>	Sampler using random sampling.
<code>optuna.samplers.TPESampler</code>	Sampler using TPE (Tree-structured Parzen Estimator) algorithm.
<code>optuna.samplers.CmaEsSampler</code>	A Sampler using CMA-ES algorithm.
<code>optuna.samplers.IntersectionSearchSpace</code>	A class to calculate the intersection search space of a <code>BaseStudy</code> .
<code>optuna.samplers.intersection_search_space</code>	Return the intersection search space of the <code>BaseStudy</code> .

### optuna.samplers.BaseSampler

**class** `optuna.samplers.BaseSampler`

Base class for samplers.

Optuna combines two types of sampling strategies, which are called *relative sampling* and *independent sampling*.

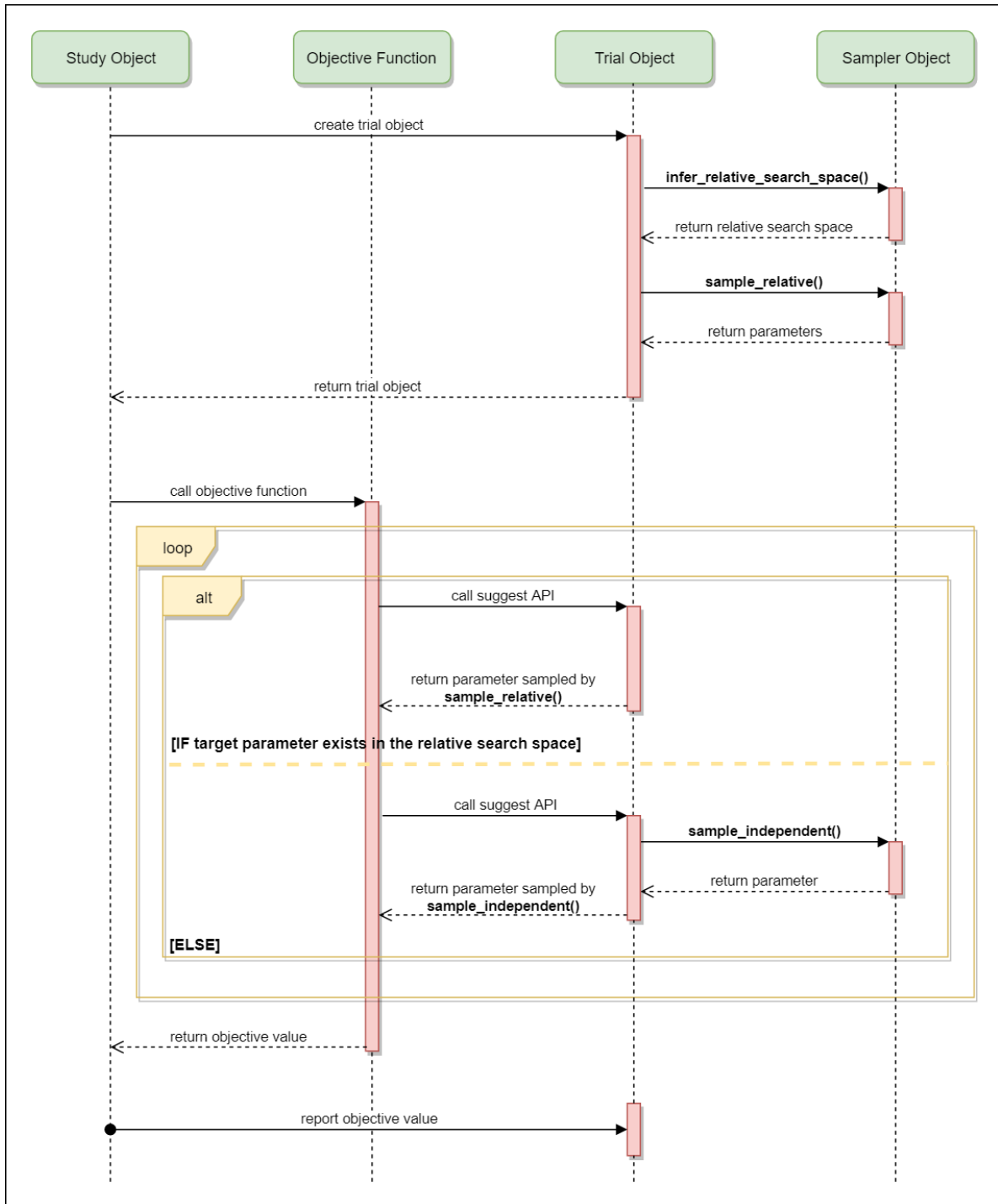
The *relative sampling* determines values of multiple parameters simultaneously so that sampling algorithms can use relationship between parameters (e.g., correlation). Target parameters of the relative sampling are described in a relative search space, which is determined by `infer_relative_search_space()`.

The *independent sampling* determines a value of a single parameter without considering any relationship between parameters. Target parameters of the independent sampling are the parameters not described in the relative search space.

More specifically, parameters are sampled by the following procedure. At the beginning of a trial, `infer_relative_search_space()` is called to determine the relative search space for the trial. Then,

`sample_relative()` is invoked to sample parameters from the relative search space. During the execution of the objective function, `sample_independent()` is used to sample parameters that don't belong to the relative search space.

The following figure depicts the lifetime of a trial and how the above three methods are called in the trial.



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<code>infer_relative_search_space(study, trial)</code>	Infer the search space that will be used by relative sampling in the target trial.
<code>reseed_rng()</code>	Reseed sampler's random number generator.
<code>sample_independent(study, trial, param_name, ...)</code>	Sample a parameter for a given distribution.
<code>sample_relative(study, trial, search_space)</code>	Sample parameters in a given search space.

**abstract infer\_relative\_search\_space** (*study*: `optuna.study.Study`, *trial*: `optuna.trial.frozen.FrozenTrial`) → `Dict[str, optuna.distributions.BaseDistribution]`

Infer the search space that will be used by relative sampling in the target trial.

This method is called right before `sample_relative()` method, and the search space returned by this method is pass to it. The parameters not contained in the search space will be sampled by using `sample_independent()` method.

### Parameters

- **study** – Target study object.
- **trial** – Target trial object. Take a copy before modifying this object.

**Returns** A dictionary containing the parameter names and parameter's distributions.

### See also:

Please refer to `intersection_search_space()` as an implementation of `infer_relative_search_space()`.

**reseed\_rng()** → `None`

Reseed sampler's random number generator.

This method is called by the `Study` instance if trials are executed in parallel with the option `n_jobs>1`. In that case, the sampler instance will be replicated including the state of the random number generator, and they may suggest the same values. To prevent this issue, this method assigns a different seed to each random number generator.

**abstract sample\_independent** (*study*: `optuna.study.Study`, *trial*: `optuna.trial.frozen.FrozenTrial`, *param\_name*: `str`, *param\_distribution*: `optuna.distributions.BaseDistribution`) → `Any`

Sample a parameter for a given distribution.

This method is called only for the parameters not contained in the search space returned by `sample_relative()` method. This method is suitable for sampling algorithms that do not use relationship between parameters such as random sampling and TPE.

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**Note:** The failed trials are ignored by any build-in samplers when they sample new parameters. Thus, failed trials are regarded as deleted in the samplers' perspective.

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### Parameters

- **study** – Target study object.
- **trial** – Target trial object. Take a copy before modifying this object.

- **param\_name** – Name of the sampled parameter.
- **param\_distribution** – Distribution object that specifies a prior and/or scale of the sampling algorithm.

**Returns** A parameter value.

**abstract sample\_relative** (*study*: `optuna.study.Study`, *trial*: `optuna.trial._frozen.FrozenTrial`, *search\_space*: `Dict[str, optuna.distributions.BaseDistribution]`) → `Dict[str, Any]`

Sample parameters in a given search space.

This method is called once at the beginning of each trial, i.e., right before the evaluation of the objective function. This method is suitable for sampling algorithms that use relationship between parameters such as Gaussian Process and CMA-ES.

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**Note:** The failed trials are ignored by any build-in samplers when they sample new parameters. Thus, failed trials are regarded as deleted in the samplers' perspective.

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#### Parameters

- **study** – Target study object.
- **trial** – Target trial object. Take a copy before modifying this object.
- **search\_space** – The search space returned by `infer_relative_search_space()`.

**Returns** A dictionary containing the parameter names and the values.

### optuna.samplers.GridSampler

**class** `optuna.samplers.GridSampler` (*search\_space*: `Mapping[str, Sequence[Union[None, bool, int, float, str]]]`)

Sampler using grid search.

With `GridSampler`, the trials suggest all combinations of parameters in the given search space during the study.

#### Example

```
import optuna

def objective(trial):
    x = trial.suggest_uniform("x", -100, 100)
    y = trial.suggest_int("y", -100, 100)
    return x ** 2 + y ** 2

search_space = {"x": [-50, 0, 50], "y": [-99, 0, 99]}
study = optuna.create_study(sampler=optuna.samplers.GridSampler(search_space))
study.optimize(objective, n_trials=3 * 3)
```

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**Note:** `GridSampler` automatically stops the optimization if all combinations in the passed `search_space` have already been evaluated, internally invoking the `stop()` method.

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**Note:** `GridSampler` does not take care of a parameter's quantization specified by discrete suggest methods but just samples one of values specified in the search space. E.g., in the following code snippet, either of `-0.5` or `0.5` is sampled as `x` instead of an integer point.

```
import optuna

def objective(trial):
    # The following suggest method specifies integer points between -5 and 5.
    x = trial.suggest_discrete_uniform("x", -5, 5, 1)
    return x ** 2

# Non-int points are specified in the grid.
search_space = {"x": [-0.5, 0.5]}
study = optuna.create_study(sampler=optuna.samplers.GridSampler(search_space))
study.optimize(objective, n_trials=2)
```

**Parameters** `search_space` – A dictionary whose key and value are a parameter name and the corresponding candidates of values, respectively.

## Methods

<code>infer_relative_search_space(study, trial)</code>	Infer the search space that will be used by relative sampling in the target trial.
<code>reseed_rng()</code>	Reseed sampler's random number generator.
<code>sample_independent(study, param_name, ...)</code>	trial, Sample a parameter for a given distribution.
<code>sample_relative(study, trial, search_space)</code>	Sample parameters in a given search space.

**infer\_relative\_search\_space** (*study*: `optuna.study.Study`, *trial*: `optuna.trial._frozen.FrozenTrial` → `Dict[str, optuna.distributions.BaseDistribution]`)

Infer the search space that will be used by relative sampling in the target trial.

This method is called right before `sample_relative()` method, and the search space returned by this method is pass to it. The parameters not contained in the search space will be sampled by using `sample_independent()` method.

### Parameters

- **study** – Target study object.
- **trial** – Target trial object. Take a copy before modifying this object.

**Returns** A dictionary containing the parameter names and parameter's distributions.

### See also:

Please refer to `intersection_search_space()` as an implementation of

`infer_relative_search_space()`.

**reseed\_rng()** → `None`

Reseed sampler's random number generator.

This method is called by the `Study` instance if trials are executed in parallel with the option `n_jobs>1`. In that case, the sampler instance will be replicated including the state of the random number generator, and they may suggest the same values. To prevent this issue, this method assigns a different seed to each random number generator.

**sample\_independent** (*study*: `optuna.study.Study`, *trial*: `optuna.trial._frozen.FrozenTrial`,  
*param\_name*: `str`, *param\_distribution*: `optuna.distributions.BaseDistribution`) → `Any`

Sample a parameter for a given distribution.

This method is called only for the parameters not contained in the search space returned by `sample_relative()` method. This method is suitable for sampling algorithms that do not use relationship between parameters such as random sampling and TPE.

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**Note:** The failed trials are ignored by any build-in samplers when they sample new parameters. Thus, failed trials are regarded as deleted in the samplers' perspective.

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#### Parameters

- **study** – Target study object.
- **trial** – Target trial object. Take a copy before modifying this object.
- **param\_name** – Name of the sampled parameter.
- **param\_distribution** – Distribution object that specifies a prior and/or scale of the sampling algorithm.

**Returns** A parameter value.

**sample\_relative** (*study*: `optuna.study.Study`, *trial*: `optuna.trial._frozen.FrozenTrial`, *search\_space*:  
`Dict[str, optuna.distributions.BaseDistribution]`) → `Dict[str, Any]`

Sample parameters in a given search space.

This method is called once at the beginning of each trial, i.e., right before the evaluation of the objective function. This method is suitable for sampling algorithms that use relationship between parameters such as Gaussian Process and CMA-ES.

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**Note:** The failed trials are ignored by any build-in samplers when they sample new parameters. Thus, failed trials are regarded as deleted in the samplers' perspective.

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#### Parameters

- **study** – Target study object.
- **trial** – Target trial object. Take a copy before modifying this object.
- **search\_space** – The search space returned by `infer_relative_search_space()`.

**Returns** A dictionary containing the parameter names and the values.

## optuna.samplers.RandomSampler

**class** optuna.samplers.**RandomSampler** (*seed: Optional[int] = None*)  
 Sampler using random sampling.

This sampler is based on *independent sampling*. See also *BaseSampler* for more details of ‘independent sampling’.

### Example

```
import optuna
from optuna.samplers import RandomSampler

def objective(trial):
    x = trial.suggest_uniform("x", -5, 5)
    return x ** 2

study = optuna.create_study(sampler=RandomSampler())
study.optimize(objective, n_trials=10)
```

**Args:** seed: Seed for random number generator.

### Methods

<code>infer_relative_search_space(study, trial)</code>	Infer the search space that will be used by relative sampling in the target trial.
<code>reseed_rng()</code>	Reseed sampler’s random number generator.
<code>sample_independent(study, trial, param_name, ...)</code>	Sample a parameter for a given distribution.
<code>sample_relative(study, trial, search_space)</code>	Sample parameters in a given search space.

**infer\_relative\_search\_space** (*study: optuna.study.Study, trial: optuna.trial.\_frozen.FrozenTrial*) → Dict[str, optuna.distributions.BaseDistribution]

Infer the search space that will be used by relative sampling in the target trial.

This method is called right before `sample_relative()` method, and the search space returned by this method is pass to it. The parameters not contained in the search space will be sampled by using `sample_independent()` method.

#### Parameters

- **study** – Target study object.
- **trial** – Target trial object. Take a copy before modifying this object.

**Returns** A dictionary containing the parameter names and parameter’s distributions.

#### See also:

Please refer to `intersection_search_space()` as an implementation of `infer_relative_search_space()`.

`reseed_rng()` → None

Reseed sampler's random number generator.

This method is called by the `Study` instance if trials are executed in parallel with the option `n_jobs>1`. In that case, the sampler instance will be replicated including the state of the random number generator, and they may suggest the same values. To prevent this issue, this method assigns a different seed to each random number generator.

**sample\_independent** (*study*: `optuna.study.Study`, *trial*: `optuna.trial._frozen.FrozenTrial`,  
*param\_name*: `str`, *param\_distribution*: `optuna.distributions.BaseDistribution`) → Any

Sample a parameter for a given distribution.

This method is called only for the parameters not contained in the search space returned by `sample_relative()` method. This method is suitable for sampling algorithms that do not use relationship between parameters such as random sampling and TPE.

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**Note:** The failed trials are ignored by any build-in samplers when they sample new parameters. Thus, failed trials are regarded as deleted in the samplers' perspective.

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#### Parameters

- **study** – Target study object.
- **trial** – Target trial object. Take a copy before modifying this object.
- **param\_name** – Name of the sampled parameter.
- **param\_distribution** – Distribution object that specifies a prior and/or scale of the sampling algorithm.

**Returns** A parameter value.

**sample\_relative** (*study*: `optuna.study.Study`, *trial*: `optuna.trial._frozen.FrozenTrial`, *search\_space*:  
`Dict[str, optuna.distributions.BaseDistribution]`) → `Dict[str, Any]`

Sample parameters in a given search space.

This method is called once at the beginning of each trial, i.e., right before the evaluation of the objective function. This method is suitable for sampling algorithms that use relationship between parameters such as Gaussian Process and CMA-ES.

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**Note:** The failed trials are ignored by any build-in samplers when they sample new parameters. Thus, failed trials are regarded as deleted in the samplers' perspective.

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#### Parameters

- **study** – Target study object.
- **trial** – Target trial object. Take a copy before modifying this object.
- **search\_space** – The search space returned by `infer_relative_search_space()`.

**Returns** A dictionary containing the parameter names and the values.



## optuna.samplers.TPESampler

```
class optuna.samplers.TPESampler (consider_prior: bool = True, prior_weight: float = 1.0, consider_magic_clip: bool = True, consider_endpoints: bool = False, n_startup_trials: int = 10, n_ei_candidates: int = 24, gamma: Callable[[int], int] = <function default_gamma>, weights: Callable[[int], numpy.ndarray] = <function default_weights>, seed: Optional[int] = None, *, multivariate: bool = False, warn_independent_sampling: bool = True)
```

Sampler using TPE (Tree-structured Parzen Estimator) algorithm.

This sampler is based on *independent sampling*. See also *BaseSampler* for more details of ‘independent sampling’.

On each trial, for each parameter, TPE fits one Gaussian Mixture Model (GMM)  $l(x)$  to the set of parameter values associated with the best objective values, and another GMM  $g(x)$  to the remaining parameter values. It chooses the parameter value  $x$  that maximizes the ratio  $l(x)/g(x)$ .

For further information about TPE algorithm, please refer to the following papers:

- [Algorithms for Hyper-Parameter Optimization](#)
- [Making a Science of Model Search: Hyperparameter Optimization in Hundreds of Dimensions for Vision Architectures](#)

### Example

```
import optuna
from optuna.samplers import TPESampler

def objective(trial):
    x = trial.suggest_uniform("x", -10, 10)
    return x ** 2

study = optuna.create_study(sampler=TPESampler())
study.optimize(objective, n_trials=10)
```

### Parameters

- **consider\_prior** – Enhance the stability of Parzen estimator by imposing a Gaussian prior when *True*. The prior is only effective if the sampling distribution is either *UniformDistribution*, *DiscreteUniformDistribution*, *LogUniformDistribution*, *IntUniformDistribution*, or *IntLogUniformDistribution*.
- **prior\_weight** – The weight of the prior. This argument is used in *UniformDistribution*, *DiscreteUniformDistribution*, *LogUniformDistribution*, *IntUniformDistribution*, *IntLogUniformDistribution*, and *CategoricalDistribution*.
- **consider\_magic\_clip** – Enable a heuristic to limit the smallest variances of Gaussians used in the Parzen estimator.
- **consider\_endpoints** – Take endpoints of domains into account when calculating variances of Gaussians in Parzen estimator. See the original paper for details on the heuristics to calculate the variances.

- **n\_startup\_trials** – The random sampling is used instead of the TPE algorithm until the given number of trials finish in the same study.
- **n\_ei\_candidates** – Number of candidate samples used to calculate the expected improvement.
- **gamma** – A function that takes the number of finished trials and returns the number of trials to form a density function for samples with low grains. See the original paper for more details.
- **weights** – A function that takes the number of finished trials and returns a weight for them. See [Making a Science of Model Search: Hyperparameter Optimization in Hundreds of Dimensions for Vision Architectures](#) for more details.
- **seed** – Seed for random number generator.
- **multivariate** – If this is `True`, the multivariate TPE is used when suggesting parameters. The multivariate TPE is reported to outperform the independent TPE. See [BOHB: Robust and Efficient Hyperparameter Optimization at Scale](#) for more details.

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**Note:** Added in v2.2.0 as an experimental feature. The interface may change in newer versions without prior notice. See <https://github.com/optuna/optuna/releases/tag/v2.2.0>.

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- **warn\_independent\_sampling** – If this is `True` and `multivariate=True`, a warning message is emitted when the value of a parameter is sampled by using an independent sampler. If `multivariate=False`, this flag has no effect.

## Methods

<code>hyperopt_parameters()</code>	Return the the default parameters of hyperopt (v0.1.2).
<code>infer_relative_search_space(study, trial)</code>	Infer the search space that will be used by relative sampling in the target trial.
<code>reseed_rng()</code>	Reseed sampler's random number generator.
<code>sample_independent(study, param_name, ...)</code>	Sample a parameter for a given distribution.
<code>sample_relative(study, trial, search_space)</code>	Sample parameters in a given search space.

**static hyperopt\_parameters ()** → Dict[str, Any]

Return the the default parameters of hyperopt (v0.1.2).

*TPESampler* can be instantiated with the parameters returned by this method.

## Example

Create a *TPESampler* instance with the default parameters of hyperopt.

```
import optuna
from optuna.samplers import TPESampler

def objective(trial):
    x = trial.suggest_uniform("x", -10, 10)
```

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```

return x ** 2

sampler = TPESampler(**TPESampler.hyperopt_parameters())
study = optuna.create_study(sampler=sampler)
study.optimize(objective, n_trials=10)

```

**Returns** A dictionary containing the default parameters of hyperopt.

**infer\_relative\_search\_space** (*study*: `optuna.study.Study`, *trial*: `optuna.trial.frozen.FrozenTrial`) → `Dict[str, optuna.distributions.BaseDistribution]`

Infer the search space that will be used by relative sampling in the target trial.

This method is called right before `sample_relative()` method, and the search space returned by this method is pass to it. The parameters not contained in the search space will be sampled by using `sample_independent()` method.

#### Parameters

- **study** – Target study object.
- **trial** – Target trial object. Take a copy before modifying this object.

**Returns** A dictionary containing the parameter names and parameter’s distributions.

#### See also:

Please refer to `intersection_search_space()` as an implementation of `infer_relative_search_space()`.

**resseed\_rng** () → `None`

Reseed sampler’s random number generator.

This method is called by the `Study` instance if trials are executed in parallel with the option `n_jobs>1`. In that case, the sampler instance will be replicated including the state of the random number generator, and they may suggest the same values. To prevent this issue, this method assigns a different seed to each random number generator.

**sample\_independent** (*study*: `optuna.study.Study`, *trial*: `optuna.trial.frozen.FrozenTrial`, *param\_name*: `str`, *param\_distribution*: `optuna.distributions.BaseDistribution`) → `Any`

Sample a parameter for a given distribution.

This method is called only for the parameters not contained in the search space returned by `sample_relative()` method. This method is suitable for sampling algorithms that do not use relationship between parameters such as random sampling and TPE.

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**Note:** The failed trials are ignored by any build-in samplers when they sample new parameters. Thus, failed trials are regarded as deleted in the samplers’ perspective.

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#### Parameters

- **study** – Target study object.
- **trial** – Target trial object. Take a copy before modifying this object.
- **param\_name** – Name of the sampled parameter.

- **param\_distribution** – Distribution object that specifies a prior and/or scale of the sampling algorithm.

**Returns** A parameter value.

**sample\_relative** (*study*: `optuna.study.Study`, *trial*: `optuna.trial._frozen.FrozenTrial`, *search\_space*: `Dict[str, optuna.distributions.BaseDistribution]`) → `Dict[str, Any]`  
 Sample parameters in a given search space.

This method is called once at the beginning of each trial, i.e., right before the evaluation of the objective function. This method is suitable for sampling algorithms that use relationship between parameters such as Gaussian Process and CMA-ES.

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**Note:** The failed trials are ignored by any build-in samplers when they sample new parameters. Thus, failed trials are regarded as deleted in the samplers' perspective.

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#### Parameters

- **study** – Target study object.
- **trial** – Target trial object. Take a copy before modifying this object.
- **search\_space** – The search space returned by `infer_relative_search_space()`.

**Returns** A dictionary containing the parameter names and the values.

### optuna.samplers.CmaEsSampler

```
class optuna.samplers.CmaEsSampler(x0: Optional[Dict[str, Any]] = None, sigma0:
Optional[float] = None, n_startup_trials:
int = 1, independent_sampler: Optional[optuna.samplers._base.BaseSampler] = None,
warn_independent_sampling: bool = True, seed:
Optional[int] = None, *, consider_pruned_trials:
bool = False, restart_strategy: Optional[str] = None,
inc_popsiize: int = 2)
```

A Sampler using CMA-ES algorithm.

#### Example

Optimize a simple quadratic function by using `CmaEsSampler`.

```
import optuna

def objective(trial):
    x = trial.suggest_uniform("x", -1, 1)
    y = trial.suggest_int("y", -1, 1)
    return x ** 2 + y

sampler = optuna.samplers.CmaEsSampler()
study = optuna.create_study(sampler=sampler)
study.optimize(objective, n_trials=20)
```

Please note that this sampler does not support `CategoricalDistribution`. If your search space contains categorical parameters, I recommend you to use `TPESampler` instead. Furthermore, there is room for performance improvements in parallel optimization settings. This sampler cannot use some trials for updating the parameters of multivariate normal distribution.

For further information about CMA-ES algorithm and its restarting strategy algorithm, please refer to the following papers:

- N. Hansen, *The CMA Evolution Strategy: A Tutorial*. arXiv:1604.00772, 2016.
- A. Auger and N. Hansen. A restart CMA evolution strategy with increasing population size. In *Proceedings of the IEEE Congress on Evolutionary Computation (CEC 2005)*, pages 1769–1776. IEEE Press, 2005.

**See also:**

You can also use `optuna.integration.PyCmaSampler` which is a sampler using `cma` library as the backend.

**Parameters**

- **x0** – A dictionary of an initial parameter values for CMA-ES. By default, the mean of `low` and `high` for each distribution is used. Note that `x0` is sampled uniformly within the search space domain for each restart if you specify `restart_strategy` argument.
- **sigma0** – Initial standard deviation of CMA-ES. By default, `sigma0` is set to `min_range / 6`, where `min_range` denotes the minimum range of the distributions in the search space.
- **seed** – A random seed for CMA-ES.
- **n\_startup\_trials** – The independent sampling is used instead of the CMA-ES algorithm until the given number of trials finish in the same study.
- **independent\_sampler** – A `BaseSampler` instance that is used for independent sampling. The parameters not contained in the relative search space are sampled by this sampler. The search space for `CmaEsSampler` is determined by `intersection_search_space()`.

If `None` is specified, `RandomSampler` is used as the default.

**See also:**

`optuna.samplers` module provides built-in independent samplers such as `RandomSampler` and `TPESampler`.

- **warn\_independent\_sampling** – If this is `True`, a warning message is emitted when the value of a parameter is sampled by using an independent sampler.

Note that the parameters of the first trial in a study are always sampled via an independent sampler, so no warning messages are emitted in this case.

- **restart\_strategy** – Strategy for restarting CMA-ES optimization when converges to a local minimum. If given `None`, CMA-ES will not restart (default). If given `'ipop'`, CMA-ES will restart with increasing population size. Please see also `inc_popsiz` parameter.

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**Note:** Added in v2.1.0 as an experimental feature. The interface may change in newer versions without prior notice. See <https://github.com/optuna/optuna/releases/tag/v2.1.0>.

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- **inc\_popsiz** – Multiplier for increasing population size before each restart. This argument will be used when setting `restart_strategy = 'ipop'`.

- **consider\_pruned\_trials** – If this is `True`, the PRUNED trials are considered for sampling.

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**Note:** Added in v2.0.0 as an experimental feature. The interface may change in newer versions without prior notice. See <https://github.com/optuna/optuna/releases/tag/v2.0.0>.

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**Note:** It is suggested to set this flag `False` when the `MedianPruner` is used. On the other hand, it is suggested to set this flag `True` when the `HyperbandPruner` is used. Please see [the benchmark result](#) for the details.

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**Raises** `ValueError` – If `restart_strategy` is not 'ipop' or `None`.

## Methods

<code>infer_relative_search_space(study, trial)</code>	Infer the search space that will be used by relative sampling in the target trial.
<code>reseed_rng()</code>	Reseed sampler's random number generator.
<code>sample_independent(study, param_name, ...)</code>	Sample a parameter for a given distribution.
<code>sample_relative(study, trial, search_space)</code>	Sample parameters in a given search space.

**infer\_relative\_search\_space** (*study*: `optuna.study.Study`, *trial*: `optuna.trial.FrozenTrial`) → `Dict[str, optuna.distributions.BaseDistribution]`

Infer the search space that will be used by relative sampling in the target trial.

This method is called right before `sample_relative()` method, and the search space returned by this method is pass to it. The parameters not contained in the search space will be sampled by using `sample_independent()` method.

### Parameters

- **study** – Target study object.
- **trial** – Target trial object. Take a copy before modifying this object.

**Returns** A dictionary containing the parameter names and parameter's distributions.

### See also:

Please refer to `intersection_search_space()` as an implementation of `infer_relative_search_space()`.

**reseed\_rng** () → `None`

Reseed sampler's random number generator.

This method is called by the `Study` instance if trials are executed in parallel with the option `n_jobs>1`. In that case, the sampler instance will be replicated including the state of the random number generator, and they may suggest the same values. To prevent this issue, this method assigns a different seed to each random number generator.

**sample\_independent** (*study*: `optuna.study.Study`, *param\_name*: `str`, *trial*: `optuna.trial.FrozenTrial`, *param\_distribution*: `optuna.distributions.BaseDistribution`) → `Any`

Sample a parameter for a given distribution.

This method is called only for the parameters not contained in the search space returned by `sample_relative()` method. This method is suitable for sampling algorithms that do not use relationship between parameters such as random sampling and TPE.

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**Note:** The failed trials are ignored by any build-in samplers when they sample new parameters. Thus, failed trials are regarded as deleted in the samplers' perspective.

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#### Parameters

- **study** – Target study object.
- **trial** – Target trial object. Take a copy before modifying this object.
- **param\_name** – Name of the sampled parameter.
- **param\_distribution** – Distribution object that specifies a prior and/or scale of the sampling algorithm.

**Returns** A parameter value.

**sample\_relative** (*study*: `optuna.study.Study`, *trial*: `optuna.trial._frozen.FrozenTrial`, *search\_space*: `Dict[str, optuna.distributions.BaseDistribution]`) → `Dict[str, Any]`

Sample parameters in a given search space.

This method is called once at the beginning of each trial, i.e., right before the evaluation of the objective function. This method is suitable for sampling algorithms that use relationship between parameters such as Gaussian Process and CMA-ES.

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**Note:** The failed trials are ignored by any build-in samplers when they sample new parameters. Thus, failed trials are regarded as deleted in the samplers' perspective.

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#### Parameters

- **study** – Target study object.
- **trial** – Target trial object. Take a copy before modifying this object.
- **search\_space** – The search space returned by `infer_relative_search_space()`.

**Returns** A dictionary containing the parameter names and the values.

### `optuna.samplers.IntersectionSearchSpace`

**class** `optuna.samplers.IntersectionSearchSpace`

A class to calculate the intersection search space of a `BaseStudy`.

Intersection search space contains the intersection of parameter distributions that have been suggested in the completed trials of the study so far. If there are multiple parameters that have the same name but different distributions, neither is included in the resulting search space (i.e., the parameters with dynamic value ranges are excluded).

Note that an instance of this class is supposed to be used for only one study. If different studies are passed to `calculate()`, a `ValueError` is raised.

## Methods

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<code>calculate(study[, ordered_dict])</code>	Returns the intersection search space of the <code>BaseStudy</code> .
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**calculate** (*study*: `optuna.study.BaseStudy`, *ordered\_dict*: `bool = False`) → `Dict[str, optuna.distributions.BaseDistribution]`  
Returns the intersection search space of the `BaseStudy`.

### Parameters

- **study** – A study with completed trials.
- **ordered\_dict** – A boolean flag determining the return type. If `False`, the returned object will be a `dict`. If `True`, the returned object will be an `collections.OrderedDict` sorted by keys, i.e. parameter names.

**Returns** A dictionary containing the parameter names and parameter’s distributions.

**Raises** `ValueError` – If different studies are passed into this method.

## `optuna.samplers.intersection_search_space`

`optuna.samplers.intersection_search_space` (*study*: `optuna.study.BaseStudy`, *ordered\_dict*: `bool = False`) → `Dict[str, optuna.distributions.BaseDistribution]`

Return the intersection search space of the `BaseStudy`.

Intersection search space contains the intersection of parameter distributions that have been suggested in the completed trials of the study so far. If there are multiple parameters that have the same name but different distributions, neither is included in the resulting search space (i.e., the parameters with dynamic value ranges are excluded).

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**Note:** `IntersectionSearchSpace` provides the same functionality with a much faster way. Please consider using it if you want to reduce execution time as much as possible.

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### Parameters

- **study** – A study with completed trials.
- **ordered\_dict** – A boolean flag determining the return type. If `False`, the returned object will be a `dict`. If `True`, the returned object will be an `collections.OrderedDict` sorted by keys, i.e. parameter names.

**Returns** A dictionary containing the parameter names and parameter’s distributions.



### 6.3.11 optuna.storages

The `storages` module defines a `BaseStorage` class which abstracts a backend database and provides library-internal interfaces to read/write histories of studies and trials. Library users who wish to use storage solutions other than the default in-memory storage should use one of the child classes of `BaseStorage` documented below.

<code>optuna.storages.RDBStorage</code>	Storage class for RDB backend.
<code>optuna.storages.RedisStorage</code>	Storage class for Redis backend.

#### optuna.storages.RDBStorage

**class** `optuna.storages.RDBStorage` (*url*: *str*, *engine\_kwargs*: *Optional[Dict[str, Any]]* = *None*, *skip\_compatibility\_check*: *bool* = *False*)

Storage class for RDB backend.

Note that library users can instantiate this class, but the attributes provided by this class are not supposed to be directly accessed by them.

#### Example

Create an `RDBStorage` instance with customized `pool_size` and `timeout` settings.

```
import optuna

def objective(trial):
    x = trial.suggest_uniform("x", -100, 100)
    return x ** 2

storage = optuna.storages.RDBStorage(
    url="sqlite:///memory:",
    engine_kwargs={"pool_size": 20, "connect_args": {"timeout": 10}},
)

study = optuna.create_study(storage=storage)
study.optimize(objective, n_trials=10)
```

#### Parameters

- **url** – URL of the storage.
- **engine\_kwargs** – A dictionary of keyword arguments that is passed to `sqlalchemy.engine.create_engine` function.
- **skip\_compatibility\_check** – Flag to skip schema compatibility check if set to `True`.

**Note:** If you use MySQL, `pool_pre_ping` will be set to `True` by default to prevent connection timeout. You can turn it off with `engine_kwargs['pool_pre_ping']=False`, but it is recommended to keep the setting if execution time of your objective function is longer than the `wait_timeout` of your MySQL configuration.

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<code>check_trial_is_updatable(trial_id, trial_state)</code>	Check whether a trial state is updatable.
<code>create_new_study([study_name])</code>	Create a new study from a name.
<code>create_new_trial(study_id[, template_trial])</code>	Create and add a new trial to a study.
<code>delete_study(study_id)</code>	Delete a study.
<code>get_all_study_summaries()</code>	Read a list of <code>StudySummary</code> objects.
<code>get_all_trials(study_id[, deepcopy])</code>	Read all trials in a study.
<code>get_all_versions()</code>	Return the schema version list.
<code>get_best_trial(study_id)</code>	Return the trial with the best value in a study.
<code>get_current_version()</code>	Return the schema version currently used by this storage.
<code>get_head_version()</code>	Return the latest schema version.
<code>get_n_trials(study_id[, state])</code>	Count the number of trials in a study.
<code>get_study_direction(study_id)</code>	Read whether a study maximizes or minimizes an objective.
<code>get_study_id_from_name(study_name)</code>	Read the ID of a study.
<code>get_study_id_from_trial_id(trial_id)</code>	Read the ID of a study to which a trial belongs.
<code>get_study_name_from_id(study_id)</code>	Read the study name of a study.
<code>get_study_system_attrs(study_id)</code>	Read the optuna-internal attributes of a study.
<code>get_study_user_attrs(study_id)</code>	Read the user-defined attributes of a study.
<code>get_trial(trial_id)</code>	Read a trial.
<code>get_trial_number_from_id(trial_id)</code>	Read the trial number of a trial.
<code>get_trial_param(trial_id, param_name)</code>	Read the parameter of a trial.
<code>get_trial_params(trial_id)</code>	Read the parameter dictionary of a trial.
<code>get_trial_system_attrs(trial_id)</code>	Read the optuna-internal attributes of a trial.
<code>get_trial_user_attrs(trial_id)</code>	Read the user-defined attributes of a trial.
<code>read_trials_from_remote_storage(study_id)</code>	Make an internal cache of trials up-to-date.
<code>remove_session()</code>	Removes the current session.
<code>set_study_direction(study_id, direction)</code>	Register an optimization problem direction to a study.
<code>set_study_system_attr(study_id, key, value)</code>	Register an optuna-internal attribute to a study.
<code>set_study_user_attr(study_id, key, value)</code>	Register a user-defined attribute to a study.
<code>set_trial_intermediate_value(trial_id, step, ...)</code>	Report an intermediate value of an objective function.
<code>set_trial_param(trial_id, param_name, ...)</code>	Set a parameter to a trial.
<code>set_trial_state(trial_id, state)</code>	Update the state of a trial.
<code>set_trial_system_attr(trial_id, key, value)</code>	Set an optuna-internal attribute to a trial.
<code>set_trial_user_attr(trial_id, key, value)</code>	Set a user-defined attribute to a trial.
<code>set_trial_value(trial_id, value)</code>	Set a return value of an objective function.
<code>upgrade()</code>	Upgrade the storage schema.

**check\_trial\_is\_updatable** (*trial\_id: int, trial\_state: optuna.trial.\_state.TrialState*) → None  
 Check whether a trial state is updatable.

### Parameters

- **trial\_id** – ID of the trial. Only used for an error message.
- **trial\_state** – Trial state to check.

**Raises** `RuntimeError` – If the trial is already finished.

**create\_new\_study** (*study\_name*: *Optional[str] = None*) → *int*

Create a new study from a name.

If no name is specified, the storage class generates a name. The returned study ID is unique among all current and deleted studies.

**Parameters** **study\_name** – Name of the new study to create.

**Returns** ID of the created study.

**Raises** *optuna.exceptions.DuplicatedStudyError* – If a study with the same *study\_name* already exists.

**create\_new\_trial** (*study\_id*: *int*, *template\_trial*: *Optional[optuna.trial.\_frozen.FrozenTrial] = None*) → *int*

Create and add a new trial to a study.

The returned trial ID is unique among all current and deleted trials.

**Parameters**

- **study\_id** – ID of the study.
- **template\_trial** – Template *FrozenTrial* with default user-attributes, system-attributes, intermediate-values, and a state.

**Returns** ID of the created trial.

**Raises** *KeyError* – If no study with the matching *study\_id* exists.

**delete\_study** (*study\_id*: *int*) → *None*

Delete a study.

**Parameters** **study\_id** – ID of the study.

**Raises** *KeyError* – If no study with the matching *study\_id* exists.

**get\_all\_study\_summaries** () → *List[optuna.\_study\_summary.StudySummary]*

Read a list of *StudySummary* objects.

**Returns** A list of *StudySummary* objects.

**get\_all\_trials** (*study\_id*: *int*, *deepcopy*: *bool = True*) → *List[optuna.trial.\_frozen.FrozenTrial]*

Read all trials in a study.

**Parameters**

- **study\_id** – ID of the study.
- **deepcopy** – Whether to copy the list of trials before returning. Set to *True* if you intend to update the list or elements of the list.

**Returns** List of trials in the study.

**Raises** *KeyError* – If no study with the matching *study\_id* exists.

**get\_all\_versions** () → *List[str]*

Return the schema version list.

**get\_best\_trial** (*study\_id*: *int*) → *optuna.trial.\_frozen.FrozenTrial*

Return the trial with the best value in a study.

**Parameters** **study\_id** – ID of the study.

**Returns** The trial with the best objective value among all finished trials in the study.

**Raises**

- **KeyError** – If no study with the matching `study_id` exists.
- **ValueError** – If no trials have been completed.

**get\_current\_version** () → str

Return the schema version currently used by this storage.

**get\_head\_version** () → str

Return the latest schema version.

**get\_n\_trials** (*study\_id: int, state: Optional[optuna.trial.\_state.TrialState] = None*) → int

Count the number of trials in a study.

**Parameters**

- **study\_id** – ID of the study.
- **state** – *TrialState* to filter trials.

**Returns** Number of trials in the study.

**Raises** **KeyError** – If no study with the matching `study_id` exists.

**get\_study\_direction** (*study\_id: int*) → optuna.\_study\_direction.StudyDirection

Read whether a study maximizes or minimizes an objective.

**Parameters** **study\_id** – ID of a study.

**Returns** Optimization direction of the study.

**Raises** **KeyError** – If no study with the matching `study_id` exists.

**get\_study\_id\_from\_name** (*study\_name: str*) → int

Read the ID of a study.

**Parameters** **study\_name** – Name of the study.

**Returns** ID of the study.

**Raises** **KeyError** – If no study with the matching `study_name` exists.

**get\_study\_id\_from\_trial\_id** (*trial\_id: int*) → int

Read the ID of a study to which a trial belongs.

**Parameters** **trial\_id** – ID of the trial.

**Returns** ID of the study.

**Raises** **KeyError** – If no trial with the matching `trial_id` exists.

**get\_study\_name\_from\_id** (*study\_id: int*) → str

Read the study name of a study.

**Parameters** **study\_id** – ID of the study.

**Returns** Name of the study.

**Raises** **KeyError** – If no study with the matching `study_id` exists.

**get\_study\_system\_attrs** (*study\_id: int*) → Dict[str, Any]

Read the optuna-internal attributes of a study.

**Parameters** **study\_id** – ID of the study.

**Returns** Dictionary with the optuna-internal attributes of the study.

**Raises** **KeyError** – If no study with the matching `study_id` exists.

**get\_study\_user\_attrs** (*study\_id: int*) → Dict[str, Any]

Read the user-defined attributes of a study.

**Parameters** **study\_id** – ID of the study.

**Returns** Dictionary with the user attributes of the study.

**Raises** **KeyError** – If no study with the matching `study_id` exists.

**get\_trial** (*trial\_id: int*) → optuna.trial.\_frozen.FrozenTrial

Read a trial.

**Parameters** **trial\_id** – ID of the trial.

**Returns** Trial with a matching trial ID.

**Raises** **KeyError** – If no trial with the matching `trial_id` exists.

**get\_trial\_number\_from\_id** (*trial\_id: int*) → int

Read the trial number of a trial.

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**Note:** The trial number is only unique within a study, and is sequential.

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**Parameters** **trial\_id** – ID of the trial.

**Returns** Number of the trial.

**Raises** **KeyError** – If no trial with the matching `trial_id` exists.

**get\_trial\_param** (*trial\_id: int, param\_name: str*) → float

Read the parameter of a trial.

**Parameters**

- **trial\_id** – ID of the trial.
- **param\_name** – Name of the parameter.

**Returns** Internal representation of the parameter.

**Raises** **KeyError** – If no trial with the matching `trial_id` exists. If no such parameter exists.

**get\_trial\_params** (*trial\_id: int*) → Dict[str, Any]

Read the parameter dictionary of a trial.

**Parameters** **trial\_id** – ID of the trial.

**Returns** Dictionary of a parameters. Keys are parameter names and values are internal representations of the parameter values.

**Raises** **KeyError** – If no trial with the matching `trial_id` exists.

**get\_trial\_system\_attrs** (*trial\_id: int*) → Dict[str, Any]

Read the optuna-internal attributes of a trial.

**Parameters** **trial\_id** – ID of the trial.

**Returns** Dictionary with the optuna-internal attributes of the trial.

**Raises** **KeyError** – If no trial with the matching `trial_id` exists.

**get\_trial\_user\_attrs** (*trial\_id: int*) → Dict[str, Any]

Read the user-defined attributes of a trial.

**Parameters** `trial_id` – ID of the trial.

**Returns** Dictionary with the user-defined attributes of the trial.

**Raises** `KeyError` – If no trial with the matching `trial_id` exists.

`read_trials_from_remote_storage (study_id: int) → None`

Make an internal cache of trials up-to-date.

**Parameters** `study_id` – ID of the study.

**Raises** `KeyError` – If no study with the matching `study_id` exists.

`remove_session () → None`

Removes the current session.

A session is stored in SQLAlchemy's `ThreadLocalRegistry` for each thread. This method closes and removes the session which is associated to the current thread. Particularly, under multi-thread use cases, it is important to call this method *from each thread*. Otherwise, all sessions and their associated DB connections are destructed by a thread that occasionally invoked the garbage collector. By default, it is not allowed to touch a SQLite connection from threads other than the thread that created the connection. Therefore, we need to explicitly close the connection from each thread.

`set_study_direction (study_id: int, direction: optuna._study_direction.StudyDirection) → None`

Register an optimization problem direction to a study.

**Parameters**

- `study_id` – ID of the study.
- `direction` – Either `MAXIMIZE` or `MINIMIZE`.

**Raises**

- `KeyError` – If no study with the matching `study_id` exists.
- `ValueError` – If the direction is already set and the passed `direction` is the opposite direction or `NOT_SET`.

`set_study_system_attr (study_id: int, key: str, value: Any) → None`

Register an optuna-internal attribute to a study.

This method overwrites any existing attribute.

**Parameters**

- `study_id` – ID of the study.
- `key` – Attribute key.
- `value` – Attribute value. It should be JSON serializable.

**Raises** `KeyError` – If no study with the matching `study_id` exists.

`set_study_user_attr (study_id: int, key: str, value: Any) → None`

Register a user-defined attribute to a study.

This method overwrites any existing attribute.

**Parameters**

- `study_id` – ID of the study.
- `key` – Attribute key.
- `value` – Attribute value. It should be JSON serializable.

**Raises** `KeyError` – If no study with the matching `study_id` exists.

**set\_trial\_intermediate\_value** (*trial\_id: int, step: int, intermediate\_value: float*) → *None*  
 Report an intermediate value of an objective function.

This method overwrites any existing intermediate value associated with the given step.

#### Parameters

- **trial\_id** – ID of the trial.
- **step** – Step of the trial (e.g., the epoch when training a neural network).
- **intermediate\_value** – Intermediate value corresponding to the step.

#### Raises

- **KeyError** – If no trial with the matching `trial_id` exists.
- **RuntimeError** – If the trial is already finished.

**set\_trial\_param** (*trial\_id: int, param\_name: str, param\_value\_internal: float, distribution: optuna.distributions.BaseDistribution*) → *None*  
 Set a parameter to a trial.

#### Parameters

- **trial\_id** – ID of the trial.
- **param\_name** – Name of the parameter.
- **param\_value\_internal** – Internal representation of the parameter value.
- **distribution** – Sampled distribution of the parameter.

#### Raises

- **KeyError** – If no trial with the matching `trial_id` exists.
- **RuntimeError** – If the trial is already finished.

**set\_trial\_state** (*trial\_id: int, state: optuna.trial.\_state.TrialState*) → *bool*  
 Update the state of a trial.

#### Parameters

- **trial\_id** – ID of the trial.
- **state** – New state of the trial.

**Returns** `True` if the state is successfully updated. `False` if the state is kept the same. The latter happens when this method tries to update the state of `RUNNING` trial to `RUNNING`.

#### Raises

- **KeyError** – If no trial with the matching `trial_id` exists.
- **RuntimeError** – If the trial is already finished.

**set\_trial\_system\_attr** (*trial\_id: int, key: str, value: Any*) → *None*  
 Set an optuna-internal attribute to a trial.

This method overwrites any existing attribute.

#### Parameters

- **trial\_id** – ID of the trial.
- **key** – Attribute key.
- **value** – Attribute value. It should be JSON serializable.

**Raises**

- **KeyError** – If no trial with the matching `trial_id` exists.
- **RuntimeError** – If the trial is already finished.

**set\_trial\_user\_attr** (*trial\_id: int, key: str, value: Any*) → *None*

Set a user-defined attribute to a trial.

This method overwrites any existing attribute.

**Parameters**

- **trial\_id** – ID of the trial.
- **key** – Attribute key.
- **value** – Attribute value. It should be JSON serializable.

**Raises**

- **KeyError** – If no trial with the matching `trial_id` exists.
- **RuntimeError** – If the trial is already finished.

**set\_trial\_value** (*trial\_id: int, value: float*) → *None*

Set a return value of an objective function.

This method overwrites any existing trial value.

**Parameters**

- **trial\_id** – ID of the trial.
- **value** – Value of the objective function.

**Raises**

- **KeyError** – If no trial with the matching `trial_id` exists.
- **RuntimeError** – If the trial is already finished.

**upgrade** () → *None*

Upgrade the storage schema.

**optuna.storages.RedisStorage**

**class** `optuna.storages.RedisStorage` (*url: str*)

Storage class for Redis backend.

Note that library users can instantiate this class, but the attributes provided by this class are not supposed to be directly accessed by them.

**Example**

We create an `RedisStorage` instance using the given redis database URL.

```
import optuna

def objective(trial):
    ...
```

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```

storage = optuna.storages.RedisStorage(
    url="redis://passwd@localhost:port/db",
)

study = optuna.create_study(storage=storage)
study.optimize(objective)

```

**Parameters** `url` – URL of the redis storage, password and db are optional. (ie: `redis://localhost:6379`)

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**Note:** If you use plan to use Redis as a storage mechanism for optuna, make sure Redis is installed and running. Please execute `$ pip install -U redis` to install redis python library.

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**Note:** Added in v1.4.0 as an experimental feature. The interface may change in newer versions without prior notice. See <https://github.com/optuna/optuna/releases/tag/v1.4.0>.

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## Methods

<code>check_trial_is_updatable(trial_id, trial_state)</code>	Check whether a trial state is updatable.
<code>create_new_study([study_name])</code>	Create a new study from a name.
<code>create_new_trial(study_id[, template_trial])</code>	Create and add a new trial to a study.
<code>delete_study(study_id)</code>	Delete a study.
<code>get_all_study_summaries()</code>	Read a list of <code>StudySummary</code> objects.
<code>get_all_trials(study_id[, deepcopy])</code>	Read all trials in a study.
<code>get_best_trial(study_id)</code>	Return the trial with the best value in a study.
<code>get_n_trials(study_id[, state])</code>	Count the number of trials in a study.
<code>get_study_direction(study_id)</code>	Read whether a study maximizes or minimizes an objective.
<code>get_study_id_from_name(study_name)</code>	Read the ID of a study.
<code>get_study_id_from_trial_id(trial_id)</code>	Read the ID of a study to which a trial belongs.
<code>get_study_name_from_id(study_id)</code>	Read the study name of a study.
<code>get_study_system_attrs(study_id)</code>	Read the optuna-internal attributes of a study.
<code>get_study_user_attrs(study_id)</code>	Read the user-defined attributes of a study.
<code>get_trial(trial_id)</code>	Read a trial.
<code>get_trial_number_from_id(trial_id)</code>	Read the trial number of a trial.
<code>get_trial_param(trial_id, param_name)</code>	Read the parameter of a trial.
<code>get_trial_params(trial_id)</code>	Read the parameter dictionary of a trial.
<code>get_trial_system_attrs(trial_id)</code>	Read the optuna-internal attributes of a trial.
<code>get_trial_user_attrs(trial_id)</code>	Read the user-defined attributes of a trial.
<code>read_trials_from_remote_storage(study_id)</code>	Make an internal cache of trials up-to-date.
<code>remove_session()</code>	Clean up all connections to a database.
<code>set_study_direction(study_id, direction)</code>	Register an optimization problem direction to a study.

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<code>set_study_system_attr</code> (study_id, key, value)	Register an optuna-internal attribute to a study.
<code>set_study_user_attr</code> (study_id, key, value)	Register a user-defined attribute to a study.
<code>set_trial_intermediate_value</code> (trial_id, step, ...)	Report an intermediate value of an objective function.
<code>set_trial_param</code> (trial_id, param_name, ...)	Set a parameter to a trial.
<code>set_trial_state</code> (trial_id, state)	Update the state of a trial.
<code>set_trial_system_attr</code> (trial_id, key, value)	Set an optuna-internal attribute to a trial.
<code>set_trial_user_attr</code> (trial_id, key, value)	Set a user-defined attribute to a trial.
<code>set_trial_value</code> (trial_id, value)	Set a return value of an objective function.

**check\_trial\_is\_updatable** (trial\_id: int, trial\_state: optuna.trial.\_state.TrialState) → None  
Check whether a trial state is updatable.

**Parameters**

- **trial\_id** – ID of the trial. Only used for an error message.
- **trial\_state** – Trial state to check.

**Raises** **RuntimeError** – If the trial is already finished.

**create\_new\_study** (study\_name: Optional[str] = None) → int  
Create a new study from a name.

If no name is specified, the storage class generates a name. The returned study ID is unique among all current and deleted studies.

**Parameters** **study\_name** – Name of the new study to create.

**Returns** ID of the created study.

**Raises** **optuna.exceptions.DuplicatedStudyError** – If a study with the same `study_name` already exists.

**create\_new\_trial** (study\_id: int, template\_trial: Optional[optuna.trial.\_frozen.FrozenTrial] = None) → int  
Create and add a new trial to a study.

The returned trial ID is unique among all current and deleted trials.

**Parameters**

- **study\_id** – ID of the study.
- **template\_trial** – Template `FrozenTrial` with default user-attributes, system-attributes, intermediate-values, and a state.

**Returns** ID of the created trial.

**Raises** **KeyError** – If no study with the matching `study_id` exists.

**delete\_study** (study\_id: int) → None  
Delete a study.

**Parameters** **study\_id** – ID of the study.

**Raises** **KeyError** – If no study with the matching `study_id` exists.

**get\_all\_study\_summaries** () → List[optuna.\_study\_summary.StudySummary]  
Read a list of `StudySummary` objects.

**Returns** A list of `StudySummary` objects.

**get\_all\_trials** (*study\_id: int, deepcopy: bool = True*) → List[optuna.trial.\_frozen.FrozenTrial]  
 Read all trials in a study.

**Parameters**

- **study\_id** – ID of the study.
- **depcopy** – Whether to copy the list of trials before returning. Set to `True` if you intend to update the list or elements of the list.

**Returns** List of trials in the study.

**Raises** **KeyError** – If no study with the matching `study_id` exists.

**get\_best\_trial** (*study\_id: int*) → optuna.trial.\_frozen.FrozenTrial  
 Return the trial with the best value in a study.

**Parameters** **study\_id** – ID of the study.

**Returns** The trial with the best objective value among all finished trials in the study.

**Raises**

- **KeyError** – If no study with the matching `study_id` exists.
- **ValueError** – If no trials have been completed.

**get\_n\_trials** (*study\_id: int, state: Optional[optuna.trial.\_state.TrialState] = None*) → int  
 Count the number of trials in a study.

**Parameters**

- **study\_id** – ID of the study.
- **state** – `TrialState` to filter trials.

**Returns** Number of trials in the study.

**Raises** **KeyError** – If no study with the matching `study_id` exists.

**get\_study\_direction** (*study\_id: int*) → optuna.\_study\_direction.StudyDirection  
 Read whether a study maximizes or minimizes an objective.

**Parameters** **study\_id** – ID of a study.

**Returns** Optimization direction of the study.

**Raises** **KeyError** – If no study with the matching `study_id` exists.

**get\_study\_id\_from\_name** (*study\_name: str*) → int  
 Read the ID of a study.

**Parameters** **study\_name** – Name of the study.

**Returns** ID of the study.

**Raises** **KeyError** – If no study with the matching `study_name` exists.

**get\_study\_id\_from\_trial\_id** (*trial\_id: int*) → int  
 Read the ID of a study to which a trial belongs.

**Parameters** **trial\_id** – ID of the trial.

**Returns** ID of the study.

**Raises** **KeyError** – If no trial with the matching `trial_id` exists.

**get\_study\_name\_from\_id** (*study\_id: int*) → str  
 Read the study name of a study.

**Parameters** `study_id` – ID of the study.

**Returns** Name of the study.

**Raises** `KeyError` – If no study with the matching `study_id` exists.

`get_study_system_attrs` (*study\_id: int*) → Dict[str, Any]

Read the optuna-internal attributes of a study.

**Parameters** `study_id` – ID of the study.

**Returns** Dictionary with the optuna-internal attributes of the study.

**Raises** `KeyError` – If no study with the matching `study_id` exists.

`get_study_user_attrs` (*study\_id: int*) → Dict[str, Any]

Read the user-defined attributes of a study.

**Parameters** `study_id` – ID of the study.

**Returns** Dictionary with the user attributes of the study.

**Raises** `KeyError` – If no study with the matching `study_id` exists.

`get_trial` (*trial\_id: int*) → optuna.trial.\_frozen.FrozenTrial

Read a trial.

**Parameters** `trial_id` – ID of the trial.

**Returns** Trial with a matching trial ID.

**Raises** `KeyError` – If no trial with the matching `trial_id` exists.

`get_trial_number_from_id` (*trial\_id: int*) → int

Read the trial number of a trial.

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**Note:** The trial number is only unique within a study, and is sequential.

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**Parameters** `trial_id` – ID of the trial.

**Returns** Number of the trial.

**Raises** `KeyError` – If no trial with the matching `trial_id` exists.

`get_trial_param` (*trial\_id: int, param\_name: str*) → float

Read the parameter of a trial.

**Parameters**

- `trial_id` – ID of the trial.
- `param_name` – Name of the parameter.

**Returns** Internal representation of the parameter.

**Raises** `KeyError` – If no trial with the matching `trial_id` exists. If no such parameter exists.

`get_trial_params` (*trial\_id: int*) → Dict[str, Any]

Read the parameter dictionary of a trial.

**Parameters** `trial_id` – ID of the trial.

**Returns** Dictionary of a parameters. Keys are parameter names and values are internal representations of the parameter values.

**Raises** `KeyError` – If no trial with the matching `trial_id` exists.

`get_trial_system_attrs (trial_id: int) → Dict[str, Any]`

Read the optuna-internal attributes of a trial.

**Parameters** `trial_id` – ID of the trial.

**Returns** Dictionary with the optuna-internal attributes of the trial.

**Raises** `KeyError` – If no trial with the matching `trial_id` exists.

`get_trial_user_attrs (trial_id: int) → Dict[str, Any]`

Read the user-defined attributes of a trial.

**Parameters** `trial_id` – ID of the trial.

**Returns** Dictionary with the user-defined attributes of the trial.

**Raises** `KeyError` – If no trial with the matching `trial_id` exists.

`read_trials_from_remote_storage (study_id: int) → None`

Make an internal cache of trials up-to-date.

**Parameters** `study_id` – ID of the study.

**Raises** `KeyError` – If no study with the matching `study_id` exists.

`remove_session () → None`

Clean up all connections to a database.

`set_study_direction (study_id: int, direction: optuna._study_direction.StudyDirection) → None`

Register an optimization problem direction to a study.

**Parameters**

- `study_id` – ID of the study.
- `direction` – Either `MAXIMIZE` or `MINIMIZE`.

**Raises**

- `KeyError` – If no study with the matching `study_id` exists.
- `ValueError` – If the direction is already set and the passed `direction` is the opposite direction or `NOT_SET`.

`set_study_system_attr (study_id: int, key: str, value: Any) → None`

Register an optuna-internal attribute to a study.

This method overwrites any existing attribute.

**Parameters**

- `study_id` – ID of the study.
- `key` – Attribute key.
- `value` – Attribute value. It should be JSON serializable.

**Raises** `KeyError` – If no study with the matching `study_id` exists.

`set_study_user_attr (study_id: int, key: str, value: Any) → None`

Register a user-defined attribute to a study.

This method overwrites any existing attribute.

**Parameters**

- `study_id` – ID of the study.

- **key** – Attribute key.
- **value** – Attribute value. It should be JSON serializable.

**Raises** `KeyError` – If no study with the matching `study_id` exists.

**set\_trial\_intermediate\_value** (*trial\_id: int, step: int, intermediate\_value: float*) → `None`  
Report an intermediate value of an objective function.

This method overwrites any existing intermediate value associated with the given step.

#### Parameters

- **trial\_id** – ID of the trial.
- **step** – Step of the trial (e.g., the epoch when training a neural network).
- **intermediate\_value** – Intermediate value corresponding to the step.

#### Raises

- `KeyError` – If no trial with the matching `trial_id` exists.
- `RuntimeError` – If the trial is already finished.

**set\_trial\_param** (*trial\_id: int, param\_name: str, param\_value\_internal: float, distribution: optuna.distributions.BaseDistribution*) → `None`  
Set a parameter to a trial.

#### Parameters

- **trial\_id** – ID of the trial.
- **param\_name** – Name of the parameter.
- **param\_value\_internal** – Internal representation of the parameter value.
- **distribution** – Sampled distribution of the parameter.

#### Raises

- `KeyError` – If no trial with the matching `trial_id` exists.
- `RuntimeError` – If the trial is already finished.

**set\_trial\_state** (*trial\_id: int, state: optuna.trial.\_state.TrialState*) → `bool`  
Update the state of a trial.

#### Parameters

- **trial\_id** – ID of the trial.
- **state** – New state of the trial.

**Returns** `True` if the state is successfully updated. `False` if the state is kept the same. The latter happens when this method tries to update the state of `RUNNING` trial to `RUNNING`.

#### Raises

- `KeyError` – If no trial with the matching `trial_id` exists.
- `RuntimeError` – If the trial is already finished.

**set\_trial\_system\_attr** (*trial\_id: int, key: str, value: Any*) → `None`  
Set an optuna-internal attribute to a trial.

This method overwrites any existing attribute.

#### Parameters

- **trial\_id** – ID of the trial.
- **key** – Attribute key.
- **value** – Attribute value. It should be JSON serializable.

**Raises**

- **KeyError** – If no trial with the matching `trial_id` exists.
- **RuntimeError** – If the trial is already finished.

**set\_trial\_user\_attr** (*trial\_id: int, key: str, value: Any*) → *None*

Set a user-defined attribute to a trial.

This method overwrites any existing attribute.

**Parameters**

- **trial\_id** – ID of the trial.
- **key** – Attribute key.
- **value** – Attribute value. It should be JSON serializable.

**Raises**

- **KeyError** – If no trial with the matching `trial_id` exists.
- **RuntimeError** – If the trial is already finished.

**set\_trial\_value** (*trial\_id: int, value: float*) → *None*

Set a return value of an objective function.

This method overwrites any existing trial value.

**Parameters**

- **trial\_id** – ID of the trial.
- **value** – Value of the objective function.

**Raises**

- **KeyError** – If no trial with the matching `trial_id` exists.
- **RuntimeError** – If the trial is already finished.

### 6.3.12 optuna.structs

This module is deprecated, with former functionality moved to `optuna.trial` and `optuna.study`.

**class** `optuna.structs.TrialState`

State of a `Trial`.

**RUNNING**

The `Trial` is running.

**COMPLETE**

The `Trial` has been finished without any error.

**PRUNED**

The `Trial` has been pruned with `TrialPruned`.

**FAIL**

The `Trial` has failed due to an uncaught error.

Deprecated since version 1.4.0: This class is deprecated. Please use `TrialState` instead.

**class** `optuna.structs.StudyDirection`

Direction of a `Study`.

**NOT\_SET**

Direction has not been set.

**MINIMIZE**

`Study` minimizes the objective function.

**MAXIMIZE**

`Study` maximizes the objective function.

Deprecated since version 1.4.0: This class is deprecated. Please use `StudyDirection` instead.

**class** `optuna.structs.FrozenTrial` (*number*: `int`, *state*: `optuna.trial._state.TrialState`, *value*: `Optional[float]`, *datetime\_start*: `Optional[datetime.datetime]`, *datetime\_complete*: `Optional[datetime.datetime]`, *params*: `Dict[str, Any]`, *distributions*: `Dict[str, optuna.distributions.BaseDistribution]`, *user\_attrs*: `Dict[str, Any]`, *system\_attrs*: `Dict[str, Any]`, *intermediate\_values*: `Dict[int, float]`, *trial\_id*: `int`)

**Warning:** Deprecated in v1.4.0. This feature will be removed in the future. The removal of this feature is currently scheduled for v3.0.0, but this schedule is subject to change. See <https://github.com/optuna/optuna/releases/tag/v1.4.0>.

This class was moved to `trial`. Please use `FrozenTrial` instead.

**property distributions**

Dictionary that contains the distributions of `params`.

**property duration**

Return the elapsed time taken to complete the trial.

**Returns** The duration.

**property last\_step**

Return the maximum step of `intermediate_values` in the trial.

**Returns** The maximum step of intermediates.

**report** (*value*: `float`, *step*: `int`) → `None`

Interface of report function.

Since `FrozenTrial` is not pruned, this report function does nothing.

**See also:**

Please refer to `should_prune()`.

**Parameters**

- **value** – A value returned from the objective function.
- **step** – Step of the trial (e.g., Epoch of neural network training). Note that pruners assume that `step` starts at zero. For example, `MedianPruner` simply checks if `step` is less than `n_warmup_steps` as the warmup mechanism.



**should\_prune** () → bool

Suggest whether the trial should be pruned or not.

The suggestion is always `False` regardless of a pruning algorithm.

---

**Note:** `FrozenTrial` only samples one combination of parameters.

---

**Returns** `False`.

```
class optuna.structs.StudySummary (study_name: str, direction: optuna.study.direction.StudyDirection, best_trial: Optional[optuna.trial._frozen.FrozenTrial], user_attrs: Dict[str, Any], system_attrs: Dict[str, Any], n_trials: int, datetime_start: Optional[datetime.datetime], study_id: int)
```

Basic attributes and aggregated results of a `Study`.

See also `optuna.study.get_all_study_summaries()`.

**study\_name**

Name of the `Study`.

**direction**

`StudyDirection` of the `Study`.

**best\_trial**

`FrozenTrial` with best objective value in the `Study`.

**user\_attrs**

Dictionary that contains the attributes of the `Study` set with `optuna.study.Study.set_user_attr()`.

**system\_attrs**

Dictionary that contains the attributes of the `Study` internally set by Optuna.

**n\_trials**

The number of trials ran in the `Study`.

**datetime\_start**

Datetime where the `Study` started.

**Warning:** Deprecated in v1.4.0. This feature will be removed in the future. The removal of this feature is currently scheduled for v3.0.0, but this schedule is subject to change. See <https://github.com/optuna/optuna/releases/tag/v1.4.0>.

This class was moved to `study`. Please use `StudySummary` instead.

### 6.3.13 optuna.study

The `study` module implements the `Study` object and related functions. A public constructor is available for the `Study` class, but direct use of this constructor is not recommended. Instead, library users should create and load a `Study` using `create_study()` and `load_study()` respectively.

<code>optuna.study.Study</code>	A study corresponds to an optimization task, i.e., a set of trials.
<code>optuna.study.create_study</code>	Create a new <code>Study</code> .
<code>optuna.study.load_study</code>	Load the existing <code>Study</code> that has the specified name.
<code>optuna.study.delete_study</code>	Delete a <code>Study</code> object.
<code>optuna.study.get_all_study_summaries</code>	Get all history of studies stored in a specified storage.
<code>optuna.study.StudyDirection</code>	Direction of a <code>Study</code> .
<code>optuna.study.StudySummary</code>	Basic attributes and aggregated results of a <code>Study</code> .

#### optuna.study.Study

```
class optuna.study.Study (study_name: str, storage: Union[str, optuna.storages._base.BaseStorage], sampler: Optional[samplers.BaseSampler] = None, pruner: Optional[optuna.pruners._base.BasePruner] = None)
```

A study corresponds to an optimization task, i.e., a set of trials.

This object provides interfaces to run a new `Trial`, access trials' history, set/get user-defined attributes of the study itself.

Note that the direct use of this constructor is not recommended. To create and load a study, please refer to the documentation of `create_study()` and `load_study()` respectively.

#### Methods

<code>add_trial(trial)</code>	Add trial to study.
<code>enqueue_trial(params)</code>	Enqueue a trial with given parameter values.
<code>get_trials([deepcopy])</code>	Return all trials in the study.
<code>optimize(func[, n_trials, timeout, n_jobs, ...])</code>	Optimize an objective function.
<code>set_system_attr(key, value)</code>	Set a system attribute to the study.
<code>set_user_attr(key, value)</code>	Set a user attribute to the study.
<code>stop()</code>	Exit from the current optimization loop after the running trials finish.
<code>trials_dataframe([attrs, multi_index])</code>	Export trials as a pandas <code>DataFrame</code> .

#### Attributes

<code>best_params</code>	Return parameters of the best trial in the study.
<code>best_trial</code>	Return the best trial in the study.
<code>best_value</code>	Return the best objective value in the study.
<code>direction</code>	Return the direction of the study.
<code>system_attrs</code>	Return system attributes.
<code>trials</code>	Return all trials in the study.

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<code>user_attrs</code>	Return user attributes.
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**add\_trial** (*trial*: `optuna.trial._frozen.FrozenTrial`) → `None`

Add trial to study.

The trial is validated before being added.

### Example

```
import optuna
from optuna.distributions import UniformDistribution

def objective(trial):
    x = trial.suggest_uniform("x", 0, 10)
    return x ** 2

study = optuna.create_study()
assert len(study.trials) == 0

trial = optuna.trial.create_trial(
    params={"x": 2.0},
    distributions={"x": UniformDistribution(0, 10)},
    value=4.0,
)

study.add_trial(trial)
assert len(study.trials) == 1

study.optimize(objective, n_trials=3)
assert len(study.trials) == 4

other_study = optuna.create_study()

for trial in study.trials:
    other_study.add_trial(trial)
assert len(other_study.trials) == len(study.trials)

other_study.optimize(objective, n_trials=2)
assert len(other_study.trials) == len(study.trials) + 2
```

#### See also:

This method should in general be used to add already evaluated trials (`trial.state.is_finished() == True`). To queue trials for evaluation, please refer to `enqueue_trial()`.

#### See also:

See `create_trial()` for how to create trials.

**Parameters** `trial` – Trial to add.

**Raises** `ValueError` – If trial is an invalid state.

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**Note:** Added in v2.0.0 as an experimental feature. The interface may change in newer versions without prior notice. See <https://github.com/optuna/optuna/releases/tag/v2.0.0>.

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**property best\_params**

Return parameters of the best trial in the study.

**Returns** A dictionary containing parameters of the best trial.

**property best\_trial**

Return the best trial in the study.

**Returns** A `FrozenTrial` object of the best trial.

**property best\_value**

Return the best objective value in the study.

**Returns** A float representing the best objective value.

**property direction**

Return the direction of the study.

**Returns** A `StudyDirection` object.

**enqueue\_trial** (*params: Dict[str, Any]*) → None

Enqueue a trial with given parameter values.

You can fix the next sampling parameters which will be evaluated in your objective function.

### Example

```
import optuna

def objective(trial):
    x = trial.suggest_uniform("x", 0, 10)
    return x ** 2

study = optuna.create_study()
study.enqueue_trial({"x": 5})
study.enqueue_trial({"x": 0})
study.optimize(objective, n_trials=2)

assert study.trials[0].params == {"x": 5}
assert study.trials[1].params == {"x": 0}
```

**Parameters** `params` – Parameter values to pass your objective function.

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**Note:** Added in v1.2.0 as an experimental feature. The interface may change in newer versions without prior notice. See <https://github.com/optuna/optuna/releases/tag/v1.2.0>.

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**get\_trials** (*deepcopy: bool = True*) → List[optuna.trial.\_frozen.FrozenTrial]

Return all trials in the study.

The returned trials are ordered by trial number.

For library users, it's recommended to use more handy `trials` property to get the trials instead.

### Example

```
import optuna

def objective(trial):
    x = trial.suggest_uniform("x", -1, 1)
    return x ** 2

study = optuna.create_study()
study.optimize(objective, n_trials=3)

trials = study.get_trials()
assert len(trials) == 3
```

**Parameters** `deepcopy` – Flag to control whether to apply `copy.deepcopy()` to the trials. Note that if you set the flag to `False`, you shouldn't mutate any fields of the returned trial. Otherwise the internal state of the study may corrupt and unexpected behavior may happen.

**Returns** A list of `FrozenTrial` objects.

**optimize** (*func: Callable[[optuna.trial.\_trial.Trial], float], n\_trials: Optional[int] = None, timeout: Optional[float] = None, n\_jobs: int = 1, catch: Tuple[Type[Exception], ...] = (), callbacks: Optional[List[Callable[[Study, optuna.trial.\_frozen.FrozenTrial], None]]] = None, gc\_after\_trial: bool = False, show\_progress\_bar: bool = False) → None*

Optimize an objective function.

Optimization is done by choosing a suitable set of hyperparameter values from a given range. Uses a sampler which implements the task of value suggestion based on a specified distribution. The sampler is specified in `create_study()` and the default choice for the sampler is TPE. See also `TPESampler` for more details on 'TPE'.

### Example

```
import optuna

def objective(trial):
    x = trial.suggest_uniform("x", -1, 1)
    return x ** 2

study = optuna.create_study()
study.optimize(objective, n_trials=3)
```

#### Parameters

- **func** – A callable that implements objective function.
- **n\_trials** – The number of trials. If this argument is set to `None`, there is no limitation on the number of trials. If `timeout` is also set to `None`, the study continues to create trials until it receives a termination signal such as Ctrl+C or SIGTERM.

- **timeout** – Stop study after the given number of second(s). If this argument is set to `None`, the study is executed without time limitation. If `n_trials` is also set to `None`, the study continues to create trials until it receives a termination signal such as Ctrl+C or SIGTERM.
- **n\_jobs** – The number of parallel jobs. If this argument is set to `-1`, the number is set to CPU count.
- **catch** – A study continues to run even when a trial raises one of the exceptions specified in this argument. Default is an empty tuple, i.e. the study will stop for any exception except for `TrialPruned`.
- **callbacks** – List of callback functions that are invoked at the end of each trial. Each function must accept two parameters with the following types in this order: `Study` and `FrozenTrial`.
- **gc\_after\_trial** – Flag to determine whether to automatically run garbage collection after each trial. Set to `True` to run the garbage collection, `False` otherwise. When it runs, it runs a full collection by internally calling `gc.collect()`. If you see an increase in memory consumption over several trials, try setting this flag to `True`.

**See also:**

*How do I avoid running out of memory (OOM) when optimizing studies?*

- **show\_progress\_bar** – Flag to show progress bars or not. To disable progress bar, set this `False`. Currently, progress bar is experimental feature and disabled when `n_jobs`  $\neq$  1.

**Raises** `RuntimeError` – If nested invocation of this method occurs.

**set\_system\_attr** (*key: str, value: Any*)  $\rightarrow$  `None`

Set a system attribute to the study.

Note that Optuna internally uses this method to save system messages. Please use `set_user_attr()` to set users' attributes.

**Parameters**

- **key** – A key string of the attribute.
- **value** – A value of the attribute. The value should be JSON serializable.

**set\_user\_attr** (*key: str, value: Any*)  $\rightarrow$  `None`

Set a user attribute to the study.

**See also:**

See `user_attrs` for related attribute.

**Example**

```
import optuna

def objective(trial):
    x = trial.suggest_float("x", 0, 1)
    y = trial.suggest_float("y", 0, 1)
    return x ** 2 + y ** 2
```

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```

study = optuna.create_study()

study.set_user_attr("objective function", "quadratic function")
study.set_user_attr("dimensions", 2)
study.set_user_attr("contributors", ["Akiba", "Sano"])

assert study.user_attrs == {
    "objective function": "quadratic function",
    "dimensions": 2,
    "contributors": ["Akiba", "Sano"],
}

```

**Parameters**

- **key** – A key string of the attribute.
- **value** – A value of the attribute. The value should be JSON serializable.

**stop()** → None

Exit from the current optimization loop after the running trials finish.

This method lets the running `optimize()` method return immediately after all trials which the `optimize()` method spawned finishes. This method does not affect any behaviors of parallel or successive study processes.

**Example**

```

import optuna

def objective(trial):
    if trial.number == 4:
        trial.study.stop()
    x = trial.suggest_uniform("x", 0, 10)
    return x ** 2

study = optuna.create_study()
study.optimize(objective, n_trials=10)
assert len(study.trials) == 5

```

**Raises** `RuntimeError` – If this method is called outside an objective function or callback.

**property system\_attrs**

Return system attributes.

**Returns** A dictionary containing all system attributes.

**property trials**

Return all trials in the study.

The returned trials are ordered by trial number.

This is a short form of `self.get_trials(deepcopy=True)`.

**Returns** A list of `FrozenTrial` objects.

```
trials_dataframe (attrs: Tuple[str, ...] = 'number', 'value', 'datetime_start', 'datetime_complete',
                  'duration', 'params', 'user_attrs', 'system_attrs', 'state', multi_index: bool =
                  False) → pd.DataFrame
```

Export trials as a pandas `DataFrame`.

The `DataFrame` provides various features to analyze studies. It is also useful to draw a histogram of objective values and to export trials as a CSV file. If there are no trials, an empty `DataFrame` is returned.

### Example

```
import optuna
import pandas

def objective(trial):
    x = trial.suggest_uniform("x", -1, 1)
    return x ** 2

study = optuna.create_study()
study.optimize(objective, n_trials=3)

# Create a dataframe from the study.
df = study.trials_dataframe()
assert isinstance(df, pandas.DataFrame)
assert df.shape[0] == 3 # n_trials.
```

#### Parameters

- **attrs** – Specifies field names of `FrozenTrial` to include them to a `DataFrame` of trials.
- **multi\_index** – Specifies whether the returned `DataFrame` employs `MultiIndex` or not. Columns that are hierarchical by nature such as (`params`, `x`) will be flattened to `params_x` when set to `False`.

**Returns** A pandas `DataFrame` of trials in the `Study`.

#### property user\_attrs

Return user attributes.

#### See also:

See `set_user_attr()` for related method.

### Example

```
import optuna

def objective(trial):
    x = trial.suggest_float("x", 0, 1)
    y = trial.suggest_float("y", 0, 1)
    return x ** 2 + y ** 2
```

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```

study = optuna.create_study()

study.set_user_attr("objective function", "quadratic function")
study.set_user_attr("dimensions", 2)
study.set_user_attr("contributors", ["Akiba", "Sano"])

assert study.user_attrs == {
    "objective function": "quadratic function",
    "dimensions": 2,
    "contributors": ["Akiba", "Sano"],
}

```

**Returns** A dictionary containing all user attributes.

### optuna.study.create\_study

`optuna.study.create_study` (*storage*: Union[str, optuna.storages.\_base.BaseStorage, None] = None, *sampler*: Optional[samplers.BaseSampler] = None, *pruner*: Optional[optuna.pruners.\_base.BasePruner] = None, *study\_name*: Optional[str] = None, *direction*: str = 'minimize', *load\_if\_exists*: bool = False) → optuna.study.Study

Create a new *Study*.

#### Example

```

import optuna

def objective(trial):
    x = trial.suggest_uniform("x", 0, 10)
    return x ** 2

study = optuna.create_study()
study.optimize(objective, n_trials=3)

```

#### Parameters

- **storage** – Database URL. If this argument is set to None, in-memory storage is used, and the *Study* will not be persistent.

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#### Note:

When a database URL is passed, Optuna internally uses [SQLAlchemy](#) to handle the database. Please refer to [SQLAlchemy's document](#) for further details. If you want to specify non-default options to [SQLAlchemy Engine](#), you can instantiate [RDBStorage](#) with your desired options and pass it to the `storage` argument instead of a URL.

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- **sampler** – A sampler object that implements background algorithm for value suggestion. If None is specified, *TPESampler* is used as the default. See also *samplers*.

- **pruner** – A pruner object that decides early stopping of unpromising trials. If `None` is specified, `MedianPruner` is used as the default. See also `pruners`.
- **study\_name** – Study’s name. If this argument is set to `None`, a unique name is generated automatically.
- **direction** – Direction of optimization. Set `minimize` for minimization and `maximize` for maximization.
- **load\_if\_exists** – Flag to control the behavior to handle a conflict of study names. In the case where a study named `study_name` already exists in the storage, a `DuplicatedStudyError` is raised if `load_if_exists` is set to `False`. Otherwise, the creation of the study is skipped, and the existing one is returned.

**Returns** A `Study` object.

**Raises** `ValueError` – If `direction` is neither ‘minimize’ nor ‘maximize’.

**See also:**

`optuna.create_study()` is an alias of `optuna.study.create_study()`.

### `optuna.study.load_study`

`optuna.study.load_study(study_name: str, storage: Union[str, optuna.storages._base.BaseStorage], sampler: Optional[samplers.BaseSampler] = None, pruner: Optional[optuna.pruners._base.BasePruner] = None) → optuna.study.Study`

Load the existing `Study` that has the specified name.

### Example

```
import optuna

def objective(trial):
    x = trial.suggest_float("x", 0, 10)
    return x ** 2

study = optuna.create_study(storage="sqlite:///example.db", study_name="my_study")
study.optimize(objective, n_trials=3)

loaded_study = optuna.load_study(study_name="my_study", storage="sqlite:///
↪example.db")
assert len(loaded_study.trials) == len(study.trials)
```

### Parameters

- **study\_name** – Study’s name. Each study has a unique name as an identifier.
- **storage** – Database URL such as `sqlite:///example.db`. Please see also the documentation of `create_study()` for further details.
- **sampler** – A sampler object that implements background algorithm for value suggestion. If `None` is specified, `TPESampler` is used as the default. See also `samplers`.
- **pruner** – A pruner object that decides early stopping of unpromising trials. If `None` is specified, `MedianPruner` is used as the default. See also `pruners`.

**See also:**

`optuna.load_study()` is an alias of `optuna.study.load_study()`.

**optuna.study.delete\_study**

`optuna.study.delete_study` (*study\_name*: *str*, *storage*: *Union[str, optuna.storages.\_base.BaseStorage]*) → *None*

Delete a *Study* object.

**Example**

```
import optuna

def objective(trial):
    x = trial.suggest_float("x", -10, 10)
    return (x - 2) ** 2

study = optuna.create_study(study_name="example-study", storage="sqlite:///
↳example.db")
study.optimize(objective, n_trials=3)

optuna.delete_study(study_name="example-study", storage="sqlite:///example.db")
```

**Parameters**

- **study\_name** – Study’s name.
- **storage** – Database URL such as `sqlite:///example.db`. Please see also the documentation of `create_study()` for further details.

**See also:**

`optuna.delete_study()` is an alias of `optuna.study.delete_study()`.

**optuna.study.get\_all\_study\_summaries**

`optuna.study.get_all_study_summaries` (*storage*: *Union[str, optuna.storages.\_base.BaseStorage]*) → *List[optuna.\_study\_summary.StudySummary]*

Get all history of studies stored in a specified storage.

**Example**

```
import optuna

def objective(trial):
    x = trial.suggest_float("x", -10, 10)
    return (x - 2) ** 2
```

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```

study = optuna.create_study(study_name="example-study", storage="sqlite:///
↳example.db")
study.optimize(objective, n_trials=3)

study_summaries = optuna.study.get_all_study_summaries(storage="sqlite:///example.
↳db")
assert len(study_summaries) == 1

study_summary = study_summaries[0]
assert study_summary.study_name == "example-study"

```

**Parameters** `storage` – Database URL such as `sqlite:///example.db`. Please see also the documentation of `create_study()` for further details.

**Returns** List of study history summarized as `StudySummary` objects.

**See also:**

`optuna.get_all_study_summaries()` is an alias of `optuna.study.get_all_study_summaries()`.

### optuna.study.StudyDirection

**class** `optuna.study.StudyDirection`

Direction of a `Study`.

**NOT\_SET**

Direction has not been set.

**MINIMIZE**

`Study` minimizes the objective function.

**MAXIMIZE**

`Study` maximizes the objective function.

#### Attributes

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`MAXIMIZE`

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`MINIMIZE`

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`NOT_SET`

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### optuna.study.StudySummary

**class** `optuna.study.StudySummary` (`study_name`: `str`, `direction`: `optuna._study_direction.StudyDirection`, `best_trial`: `Optional[optuna.trial._frozen.FrozenTrial]`, `user_attrs`: `Dict[str, Any]`, `system_attrs`: `Dict[str, Any]`, `n_trials`: `int`, `datetime_start`: `Optional[datetime.datetime]`, `study_id`: `int`)

Basic attributes and aggregated results of a `Study`.

See also `optuna.study.get_all_study_summaries()`.

**study\_name**

Name of the *Study*.

**direction**

*StudyDirection* of the *Study*.

**best\_trial**

*FrozenTrial* with best objective value in the *Study*.

**user\_attrs**

Dictionary that contains the attributes of the *Study* set with `optuna.study.Study.set_user_attr()`.

**system\_attrs**

Dictionary that contains the attributes of the *Study* internally set by Optuna.

**n\_trials**

The number of trials ran in the *Study*.

**datetime\_start**

Datetime where the *Study* started.

### 6.3.14 optuna.trial

The *trial* module contains *Trial* related classes and functions.

A *Trial* instance represents a process of evaluating an objective function. This instance is passed to an objective function and provides interfaces to get parameter suggestion, manage the trial's state, and set/get user-defined attributes of the trial, so that Optuna users can define a custom objective function through the interfaces. Basically, Optuna users only use it in their custom objective functions.

<code>optuna.trial.Trial</code>	A trial is a process of evaluating an objective function.
<code>optuna.trial.FixedTrial</code>	A trial class which suggests a fixed value for each parameter.
<code>optuna.trial.FrozenTrial</code>	Status and results of a <i>Trial</i> .
<code>optuna.trial.TrialState</code>	State of a <i>Trial</i> .
<code>optuna.trial.create_trial</code>	Create a new <i>FrozenTrial</i> .

#### optuna.trial.Trial

**class** `optuna.trial.Trial` (*study*: `optuna.study.Study`, *trial\_id*: `int`)

A trial is a process of evaluating an objective function.

This object is passed to an objective function and provides interfaces to get parameter suggestion, manage the trial's state, and set/get user-defined attributes of the trial.

Note that the direct use of this constructor is not recommended. This object is seamlessly instantiated and passed to the objective function behind the `optuna.study.Study.optimize()` method; hence library users do not care about instantiation of this object.

##### Parameters

- **study** – A *Study* object.
- **trial\_id** – A trial ID that is automatically generated.

## Methods

<code>report(value, step)</code>	Report an objective function value for a given step.
<code>set_system_attr(key, value)</code>	Set system attributes to the trial.
<code>set_user_attr(key, value)</code>	Set user attributes to the trial.
<code>should_prune()</code>	Suggest whether the trial should be pruned or not.
<code>suggest_categorical(name, choices)</code>	Suggest a value for the categorical parameter.
<code>suggest_discrete_uniform(name, low, high, q)</code>	Suggest a value for the discrete parameter.
<code>suggest_float(name, low, high, *, [step, log])</code>	Suggest a value for the floating point parameter.
<code>suggest_int(name, low, high[, step, log])</code>	Suggest a value for the integer parameter.
<code>suggest_loguniform(name, low, high)</code>	Suggest a value for the continuous parameter.
<code>suggest_uniform(name, low, high)</code>	Suggest a value for the continuous parameter.

## Attributes

<code>datetime_start</code>	Return start datetime.
<code>distributions</code>	Return distributions of parameters to be optimized.
<code>number</code>	Return trial's number which is consecutive and unique in a study.
<code>params</code>	Return parameters to be optimized.
<code>system_attrs</code>	Return system attributes.
<code>user_attrs</code>	Return user attributes.

### property `datetime_start`

Return start datetime.

**Returns** Datetime where the *Trial* started.

### property `distributions`

Return distributions of parameters to be optimized.

**Returns** A dictionary containing all distributions.

### property `number`

Return trial's number which is consecutive and unique in a study.

**Returns** A trial number.

### property `params`

Return parameters to be optimized.

**Returns** A dictionary containing all parameters.

### report (*value: float, step: int*) → None

Report an objective function value for a given step.

The reported values are used by the pruners to determine whether this trial should be pruned.

### See also:

Please refer to *BasePruner*.

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**Note:** The reported value is converted to `float` type by applying `float()` function internally. Thus, it accepts all float-like types (e.g., `numpy.float32`). If the conversion fails, a `TypeError` is raised.

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## Example

Report intermediate scores of `SGDClassifier` training.

```
import numpy as np
from sklearn.datasets import load_iris
from sklearn.linear_model import SGDClassifier
from sklearn.model_selection import train_test_split

import optuna

X, y = load_iris(return_X_y=True)
X_train, X_valid, y_train, y_valid = train_test_split(X, y)

def objective(trial):
    clf = SGDClassifier(random_state=0)
    for step in range(100):
        clf.partial_fit(X_train, y_train, np.unique(y))
        intermediate_value = clf.score(X_valid, y_valid)
        trial.report(intermediate_value, step=step)
        if trial.should_prune():
            raise optuna.TrialPruned()

    return clf.score(X_valid, y_valid)

study = optuna.create_study(direction="maximize")
study.optimize(objective, n_trials=3)
```

### Parameters

- **value** – A value returned from the objective function.
- **step** – Step of the trial (e.g., Epoch of neural network training). Note that pruners assume that `step` starts at zero. For example, `MedianPruner` simply checks if `step` is less than `n_warmup_steps` as the warmup mechanism.

`set_system_attr` (*key: str, value: Any*) → None

Set system attributes to the trial.

Note that Optuna internally uses this method to save system messages such as failure reason of trials. Please use `set_user_attr()` to set users' attributes.

### Parameters

- **key** – A key string of the attribute.
- **value** – A value of the attribute. The value should be JSON serializable.

`set_user_attr` (*key: str, value: Any*) → None

Set user attributes to the trial.

The user attributes in the trial can be access via `optuna.trial.Trial.user_attrs()`.

## Example

Save fixed hyperparameters of neural network training.

```
import numpy as np
from sklearn.datasets import load_iris
from sklearn.model_selection import train_test_split
from sklearn.neural_network import MLPClassifier

import optuna

X, y = load_iris(return_X_y=True)
X_train, X_valid, y_train, y_valid = train_test_split(X, y, random_state=0)

def objective(trial):
    trial.set_user_attr("BATCHSIZE", 128)
    momentum = trial.suggest_uniform("momentum", 0, 1.0)
    clf = MLPClassifier(
        hidden_layer_sizes=(100, 50),
        batch_size=trial.user_attrs["BATCHSIZE"],
        momentum=momentum,
        solver="sgd",
        random_state=0,
    )
    clf.fit(X_train, y_train)

    return clf.score(X_valid, y_valid)

study = optuna.create_study(direction="maximize")
study.optimize(objective, n_trials=3)
assert "BATCHSIZE" in study.best_trial.user_attrs.keys()
assert study.best_trial.user_attrs["BATCHSIZE"] == 128
```

### Parameters

- **key** – A key string of the attribute.
- **value** – A value of the attribute. The value should be JSON serializable.

**should\_prune()** → bool

Suggest whether the trial should be pruned or not.

The suggestion is made by a pruning algorithm associated with the trial and is based on previously reported values. The algorithm can be specified when constructing a *Study*.

---

**Note:** If no values have been reported, the algorithm cannot make meaningful suggestions. Similarly, if this method is called multiple times with the exact same set of reported values, the suggestions will be the same.

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### See also:

Please refer to the example code in `optuna.trial.Trial.report()`.

**Returns** A boolean value. If `True`, the trial should be pruned according to the configured pruning algorithm. Otherwise, the trial should continue.



**suggest\_categorical** (*name: str, choices: Sequence[Union[None, bool, int, float, str]]*) → Union[None, bool, int, float, str]  
Suggest a value for the categorical parameter.

The value is sampled from *choices*.

### Example

Suggest a kernel function of SVC.

```
import numpy as np
from sklearn.datasets import load_iris
from sklearn.model_selection import train_test_split
from sklearn.svm import SVC

import optuna

X, y = load_iris(return_X_y=True)
X_train, X_valid, y_train, y_valid = train_test_split(X, y)

def objective(trial):
    kernel = trial.suggest_categorical("kernel", ["linear", "poly", "rbf"])
    clf = SVC(kernel=kernel, gamma="scale", random_state=0)
    clf.fit(X_train, y_train)
    return clf.score(X_valid, y_valid)

study = optuna.create_study(direction="maximize")
study.optimize(objective, n_trials=3)
```

### Parameters

- **name** – A parameter name.
- **choices** – Parameter value candidates.

### See also:

*CategoricalDistribution*.

**Returns** A suggested value.

**suggest\_discrete\_uniform** (*name: str, low: float, high: float, q: float*) → float  
Suggest a value for the discrete parameter.

The value is sampled from the range [low, high], and the step of discretization is *q*. More specifically, this method returns one of the values in the sequence low, low + *q*, low + 2*q*, ..., low + *kq* ≤ high, where *k* denotes an integer. Note that *high* may be changed due to round-off errors if *q* is not an integer. Please check warning messages to find the changed values.

## Example

Suggest a fraction of samples used for fitting the individual learners of `GradientBoostingClassifier`.

```
import numpy as np
from sklearn.datasets import load_iris
from sklearn.ensemble import GradientBoostingClassifier
from sklearn.model_selection import train_test_split

import optuna

X, y = load_iris(return_X_y=True)
X_train, X_valid, y_train, y_valid = train_test_split(X, y)

def objective(trial):
    subsample = trial.suggest_discrete_uniform("subsample", 0.1, 1.0, 0.1)
    clf = GradientBoostingClassifier(subsample=subsample, random_state=0)
    clf.fit(X_train, y_train)
    return clf.score(X_valid, y_valid)

study = optuna.create_study(direction="maximize")
study.optimize(objective, n_trials=3)
```

### Parameters

- **name** – A parameter name.
- **low** – Lower endpoint of the range of suggested values. `low` is included in the range.
- **high** – Upper endpoint of the range of suggested values. `high` is included in the range.
- **q** – A step of discretization.

**Returns** A suggested float value.

**suggest\_float** (*name: str, low: float, high: float, \*, step: Optional[float] = None, log: bool = False*)  
→ float

Suggest a value for the floating point parameter.

Note that this is a wrapper method for `suggest_uniform()`, `suggest_loguniform()` and `suggest_discrete_uniform()`.

New in version 1.3.0.

### See also:

Please see also `suggest_uniform()`, `suggest_loguniform()` and `suggest_discrete_uniform()`.

## Example

Suggest a momentum, learning rate and scaling factor of learning rate for neural network training.

```
import numpy as np
from sklearn.datasets import load_iris
from sklearn.model_selection import train_test_split
from sklearn.neural_network import MLPClassifier

import optuna

X, y = load_iris(return_X_y=True)
X_train, X_valid, y_train, y_valid = train_test_split(X, y, random_state=0)

def objective(trial):
    momentum = trial.suggest_float("momentum", 0.0, 1.0)
    learning_rate_init = trial.suggest_float(
        "learning_rate_init", 1e-5, 1e-3, log=True
    )
    power_t = trial.suggest_float("power_t", 0.2, 0.8, step=0.1)
    clf = MLPClassifier(
        hidden_layer_sizes=(100, 50),
        momentum=momentum,
        learning_rate_init=learning_rate_init,
        solver="sgd",
        random_state=0,
        power_t=power_t,
    )
    clf.fit(X_train, y_train)

    return clf.score(X_valid, y_valid)

study = optuna.create_study(direction="maximize")
study.optimize(objective, n_trials=3)
```

### Parameters

- **name** – A parameter name.
- **low** – Lower endpoint of the range of suggested values. `low` is included in the range.
- **high** – Upper endpoint of the range of suggested values. `high` is excluded from the range.
- **step** – A step of discretization.

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**Note:** The `step` and `log` arguments cannot be used at the same time. To set the `step` argument to a float number, set the `log` argument to `False`.

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- **log** – A flag to sample the value from the log domain or not. If `log` is true, the value is sampled from the range in the log domain. Otherwise, the value is sampled from the range in the linear domain. See also `suggest_uniform()` and `suggest_loguniform()`.

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**Note:** The `step` and `log` arguments cannot be used at the same time. To set the `log`

argument to True, set the `step` argument to None.

---

**Raises** `ValueError` – If `step` is not None and `log = True` are specified.

**Returns** A suggested float value.

**suggest\_int** (*name: str, low: int, high: int, step: int = 1, log: bool = False*) → int

Suggest a value for the integer parameter.

The value is sampled from the integers in [low, high].

### Example

Suggest the number of trees in `RandomForestClassifier`.

```
import numpy as np
from sklearn.datasets import load_iris
from sklearn.ensemble import RandomForestClassifier
from sklearn.model_selection import train_test_split

import optuna

X, y = load_iris(return_X_y=True)
X_train, X_valid, y_train, y_valid = train_test_split(X, y)

def objective(trial):
    n_estimators = trial.suggest_int("n_estimators", 50, 400)
    clf = RandomForestClassifier(n_estimators=n_estimators, random_state=0)
    clf.fit(X_train, y_train)
    return clf.score(X_valid, y_valid)

study = optuna.create_study(direction="maximize")
study.optimize(objective, n_trials=3)
```

### Parameters

- **name** – A parameter name.
- **low** – Lower endpoint of the range of suggested values. low is included in the range.
- **high** – Upper endpoint of the range of suggested values. high is included in the range.
- **step** – A step of discretization.

---

**Note:** Note that high is modified if the range is not divisible by step. Please check the warning messages to find the changed values.

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**Note:** The method returns one of the values in the sequence  $low, low + step, low + 2 * step, \dots, low + k * step \leq high$ , where  $k$  denotes an integer.

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**Note:** The `step != 1` and `log` arguments cannot be used at the same time. To set the `step` argument `step ≥ 2`, set the `log` argument to `False`.

---

- **log** – A flag to sample the value from the log domain or not.

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**Note:** If `log` is true, at first, the range of suggested values is divided into grid points of width 1. The range of suggested values is then converted to a log domain, from which a value is sampled. The uniformly sampled value is re-converted to the original domain and rounded to the nearest grid point that we just split, and the suggested value is determined. For example, if `low = 2` and `high = 8`, then the range of suggested values is `[2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8]` and lower values tend to be more sampled than higher values.

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**Note:** The `step != 1` and `log` arguments cannot be used at the same time. To set the `log` argument to `True`, set the `step` argument to 1.

---

**Raises** `ValueError` – If `step != 1` and `log = True` are specified.

**suggest\_loguniform** (*name: str, low: float, high: float*) → float

Suggest a value for the continuous parameter.

The value is sampled from the range `[low, high)` in the log domain. When `low = high`, the value of `low` will be returned.

### Example

Suggest penalty parameter C of SVC.

```
import numpy as np
from sklearn.datasets import load_iris
from sklearn.model_selection import train_test_split
from sklearn.svm import SVC

import optuna

X, y = load_iris(return_X_y=True)
X_train, X_valid, y_train, y_valid = train_test_split(X, y)

def objective(trial):
    c = trial.suggest_loguniform("c", 1e-5, 1e2)
    clf = SVC(C=c, gamma="scale", random_state=0)
    clf.fit(X_train, y_train)
    return clf.score(X_valid, y_valid)

study = optuna.create_study(direction="maximize")
study.optimize(objective, n_trials=3)
```

### Parameters

- **name** – A parameter name.

- **low** – Lower endpoint of the range of suggested values. `low` is included in the range.
- **high** – Upper endpoint of the range of suggested values. `high` is excluded from the range.

**Returns** A suggested float value.

**suggest\_uniform** (*name: str, low: float, high: float*) → float

Suggest a value for the continuous parameter.

The value is sampled from the range `[low, high)` in the linear domain. When `low = high`, the value of `low` will be returned.

### Example

Suggest a momentum for neural network training.

```
import numpy as np
from sklearn.datasets import load_iris
from sklearn.model_selection import train_test_split
from sklearn.neural_network import MLPClassifier

import optuna

X, y = load_iris(return_X_y=True)
X_train, X_valid, y_train, y_valid = train_test_split(X, y)

def objective(trial):
    momentum = trial.suggest_uniform("momentum", 0.0, 1.0)
    clf = MLPClassifier(
        hidden_layer_sizes=(100, 50),
        momentum=momentum,
        solver="sgd",
        random_state=0,
    )
    clf.fit(X_train, y_train)

    return clf.score(X_valid, y_valid)

study = optuna.create_study(direction="maximize")
study.optimize(objective, n_trials=3)
```

### Parameters

- **name** – A parameter name.
- **low** – Lower endpoint of the range of suggested values. `low` is included in the range.
- **high** – Upper endpoint of the range of suggested values. `high` is excluded from the range.

**Returns** A suggested float value.

**property system\_attrs**

Return system attributes.

**Returns** A dictionary containing all system attributes.

**property user\_attrs**

Return user attributes.

**Returns** A dictionary containing all user attributes.

**optuna.trial.FixedTrial**

**class** optuna.trial.**FixedTrial** (params: Dict[str, Any], number: int = 0)

A trial class which suggests a fixed value for each parameter.

This object has the same methods as *Trial*, and it suggests pre-defined parameter values. The parameter values can be determined at the construction of the *FixedTrial* object. In contrast to *Trial*, *FixedTrial* does not depend on *Study*, and it is useful for deploying optimization results.

**Example**

Evaluate an objective function with parameter values given by a user.

```
import optuna

def objective(trial):
    x = trial.suggest_uniform("x", -100, 100)
    y = trial.suggest_categorical("y", [-1, 0, 1])
    return x ** 2 + y

assert objective(optuna.trial.FixedTrial({"x": 1, "y": 0})) == 1
```

**Note:** Please refer to *Trial* for details of methods and properties.

**Parameters**

- **params** – A dictionary containing all parameters.
- **number** – A trial number. Defaults to 0.

**Methods**


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```
report(value, step)
set_system_attr(key, value)
set_user_attr(key, value)
should_prune()
suggest_categorical(name, choices)
suggest_discrete_uniform(name, low, high, q)
suggest_float(name, low, high, *, step, log)
suggest_int(name, low, high[, step, log])
suggest_loguniform(name, low, high)
suggest_uniform(name, low, high)
```

---

## Attributes

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datetime\_start

---

distributions

---

number

---

params

---

system\_attrs

---

user\_attrs

---

## optuna.trial.FrozenTrial

```
class optuna.trial.FrozenTrial(number: int, state: optuna.trial._state.TrialState, value: Optional[float], datetime_start: Optional[datetime.datetime], datetime_complete: Optional[datetime.datetime], params: Dict[str, Any], distributions: Dict[str, optuna.distributions.BaseDistribution], user_attrs: Dict[str, Any], system_attrs: Dict[str, Any], intermediate_values: Dict[int, float], trial_id: int)
```

Status and results of a *Trial*.

This object has the same methods as *Trial*, and it suggests best parameter values among performed trials. In contrast to *Trial*, *FrozenTrial* does not depend on *Study*, and it is useful for deploying optimization results.

## Example

Re-evaluate an objective function with parameter values optimized study.

```
import optuna

def objective(trial):
    x = trial.suggest_uniform("x", -1, 1)
    return x ** 2

study = optuna.create_study()
study.optimize(objective, n_trials=3)

assert objective(study.best_trial) == study.best_value
```

---

**Note:** Attributes are set in `optuna.Study.optimize()`, but several attributes can be updated after the optimization. That means such attributes are overwritten by the re-evaluation if your objective updates attributes of *Trial*.

Example:

Overwritten attributes.

```
import copy
import datetime

import optuna
```

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```

def objective(trial):
    x = trial.suggest_uniform("x", -1, 1)

    # this user attribute always differs
    trial.set_user_attr("evaluation time", datetime.datetime.now())

    return x ** 2

study = optuna.create_study()
study.optimize(objective, n_trials=3)

best_trial = study.best_trial
best_trial_copy = copy.deepcopy(best_trial)

# re-evaluate
objective(best_trial)

# the user attribute is overwritten by re-evaluation
assert best_trial.user_attrs != best_trial_copy.user_attrs

```

---

**Note:** Please refer to *Trial* for details of methods and properties.

---

**number**

Unique and consecutive number of *Trial* for each *Study*. Note that this field uses zero-based numbering.

**state**

*TrialState* of the *Trial*.

**value**

Objective value of the *Trial*.

**datetime\_start**

Datetime where the *Trial* started.

**datetime\_complete**

Datetime where the *Trial* finished.

**params**

Dictionary that contains suggested parameters.

**user\_attrs**

Dictionary that contains the attributes of the *Trial* set with *optuna.trial.Trial.set\_user\_attr()*.

**intermediate\_values**

Intermediate objective values set with *optuna.trial.Trial.report()*.

## Methods

<code>report(value, step)</code>	Interface of report function.
<code>set_system_attr(key, value)</code>	
<code>set_user_attr(key, value)</code>	
<code>should_prune()</code>	Suggest whether the trial should be pruned or not.
<code>suggest_categorical(name, choices)</code>	
<code>suggest_discrete_uniform(name, low, high, q)</code>	
<code>suggest_float(name, low, high, *, step, log)</code>	
<code>suggest_int(name, low, high[, step, log])</code>	
<code>suggest_loguniform(name, low, high)</code>	
<code>suggest_uniform(name, low, high)</code>	

## Attributes

<code>datetime_start</code>	
<code>distributions</code>	Dictionary that contains the distributions of <code>params</code> .
<code>duration</code>	Return the elapsed time taken to complete the trial.
<code>last_step</code>	Return the maximum step of <code>intermediate_values</code> in the trial.
<code>number</code>	
<code>params</code>	
<code>system_attrs</code>	
<code>user_attrs</code>	

### property distributions

Dictionary that contains the distributions of `params`.

### property duration

Return the elapsed time taken to complete the trial.

**Returns** The duration.

### property last\_step

Return the maximum step of `intermediate_values` in the trial.

**Returns** The maximum step of intermediates.

**report** (*value: float, step: int*) → None

Interface of report function.

Since `FrozenTrial` is not pruned, this report function does nothing.

### See also:

Please refer to `should_prune()`.

### Parameters

- **value** – A value returned from the objective function.
- **step** – Step of the trial (e.g., Epoch of neural network training). Note that pruners assume that `step` starts at zero. For example, `MedianPruner` simply checks if `step` is less

than `n_warmup_steps` as the warmup mechanism.

**should\_prune** () → bool

Suggest whether the trial should be pruned or not.

The suggestion is always `False` regardless of a pruning algorithm.

---

**Note:** `FrozenTrial` only samples one combination of parameters.

---

**Returns** `False`.

## optuna.trial.TrialState

**class** `optuna.trial.TrialState`

State of a `Trial`.

**RUNNING**

The `Trial` is running.

**COMPLETE**

The `Trial` has been finished without any error.

**PRUNED**

The `Trial` has been pruned with `TrialPruned`.

**FAIL**

The `Trial` has failed due to an uncaught error.

### Attributes

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`COMPLETE`

---

`FAIL`

---

`PRUNED`

---

`RUNNING`

---

`WAITING`

---

## optuna.trial.create\_trial

`optuna.trial.create_trial` (\*, `state`: `Optional[optuna.trial._state.TrialState]` = `None`, `value`: `Optional[float]` = `None`, `params`: `Optional[Dict[str, Any]]` = `None`, `distributions`: `Optional[Dict[str, optuna.distributions.BaseDistribution]]` = `None`, `user_attrs`: `Optional[Dict[str, Any]]` = `None`, `system_attrs`: `Optional[Dict[str, Any]]` = `None`, `intermediate_values`: `Optional[Dict[int, float]]` = `None`) → `optuna.trial._frozen.FrozenTrial`

Create a new `FrozenTrial`.

## Example

```
import optuna
from optuna.distributions import CategoricalDistribution
from optuna.distributions import UniformDistribution

trial = optuna.trial.create_trial(
    params={"x": 1.0, "y": 0},
    distributions={
        "x": UniformDistribution(0, 10),
        "y": CategoricalDistribution([-1, 0, 1]),
    },
    value=5.0,
)

assert isinstance(trial, optuna.trial.FrozenTrial)
assert trial.value == 5.0
assert trial.params == {"x": 1.0, "y": 0}
```

### See also:

See `add_trial()` for how this function can be used to create a study from existing trials.

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**Note:** Please note that this is a low-level API. In general, trials that are passed to objective functions are created inside `optimize()`.

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### Parameters

- **state** – Trial state.
- **value** – Trial objective value. Must be specified if `state` is `TrialState.COMPLETE`.
- **params** – Dictionary with suggested parameters of the trial.
- **distributions** – Dictionary with parameter distributions of the trial.
- **user\_attrs** – Dictionary with user attributes.
- **system\_attrs** – Dictionary with system attributes. Should not have to be used for most users.
- **intermediate\_values** – Dictionary with intermediate objective values of the trial.

**Returns** Created trial.

---

**Note:** Added in v2.0.0 as an experimental feature. The interface may change in newer versions without prior notice. See <https://github.com/optuna/optuna/releases/tag/v2.0.0>.

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### 6.3.15 optuna.visualization

The `visualization` module provides utility functions for plotting the optimization process using `plotly` and `matplotlib`. Plotting functions take generally take a `Study` object and optional parameters passed as a list to a `params` argument.

**Note:** In the `optuna.visualization` module, the following functions use `plotly` to create figures, but `JupyterLab` cannot render them by default. Please follow this [installation guide](#) to show figures in `JupyterLab`.

<code>optuna.visualization.plot_contour</code>	Plot the parameter relationship as contour plot in a study.
<code>optuna.visualization.plot_edf</code>	Plot the objective value EDF (empirical distribution function) of a study.
<code>optuna.visualization.plot_intermediate_values</code>	Plot intermediate values of all trials in a study.
<code>optuna.visualization.plot_optimization_history</code>	Plot optimization history of all trials in a study.
<code>optuna.visualization.plot_parallel_coordinate</code>	Plot the high-dimensional parameter relationships in a study.
<code>optuna.visualization.plot_param_importances</code>	Plot hyperparameter importances.
<code>optuna.visualization.plot_slice</code>	Plot the parameter relationship as slice plot in a study.
<code>optuna.visualization.is_available</code>	Returns whether visualization with <code>plotly</code> is available or not.

#### optuna.visualization.plot\_contour

`optuna.visualization.plot_contour` (*study*: `optuna.study.Study`, *params*: `Optional[List[str]] = None`) → `go.Figure`

Plot the parameter relationship as contour plot in a study.

Note that, If a parameter contains missing values, a trial with missing values is not plotted.

#### Example

The following code snippet shows how to plot the parameter relationship as contour plot.

```
import optuna

def objective(trial):
    x = trial.suggest_uniform("x", -100, 100)
    y = trial.suggest_categorical("y", [-1, 0, 1])
    return x ** 2 + y

study = optuna.create_study()
study.optimize(objective, n_trials=30)

optuna.visualization.plot_contour(study, params=["x", "y"])
```

#### Parameters

- **study** – A *Study* object whose trials are plotted for their objective values.
- **params** – Parameter list to visualize. The default is all parameters.

**Returns** A `plotly.graph_objs.Figure` object.

### `optuna.visualization.plot_edf`

`optuna.visualization.plot_edf` (*study*: *Union[optuna.study.Study, Sequence[optuna.study.Study]]*) → *go.Figure*  
Plot the objective value EDF (empirical distribution function) of a study.

Note that only the complete trials are considered when plotting the EDF.

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**Note:** EDF is useful to analyze and improve search spaces. For instance, you can see a practical use case of EDF in the paper [Designing Network Design Spaces](#).

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**Note:** The plotted EDF assumes that the value of the objective function is in accordance with the uniform distribution over the objective space.

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### Example

The following code snippet shows how to plot EDF.

```
import math

import optuna

def ackley(x, y):
    a = 20 * math.exp(-0.2 * math.sqrt(0.5 * (x ** 2 + y ** 2)))
    b = math.exp(0.5 * (math.cos(2 * math.pi * x) + math.cos(2 * math.pi * y)))
    return -a - b + math.e + 20

def objective(trial, low, high):
    x = trial.suggest_float("x", low, high)
    y = trial.suggest_float("y", low, high)
    return ackley(x, y)

sampler = optuna.samplers.RandomSampler()

# Widest search space.
study0 = optuna.create_study(study_name="x=[0,5], y=[0,5]", sampler=sampler)
study0.optimize(lambda t: objective(t, 0, 5), n_trials=500)

# Narrower search space.
study1 = optuna.create_study(study_name="x=[0,4], y=[0,4]", sampler=sampler)
study1.optimize(lambda t: objective(t, 0, 4), n_trials=500)

# Narrowest search space but it doesn't include the global optimum point.
study2 = optuna.create_study(study_name="x=[1,3], y=[1,3]", sampler=sampler)
```

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```
study2.optimize(lambda t: objective(t, 1, 3), n_trials=500)

optuna.visualization.plot_edf([study0, study1, study2])
```

**Parameters** `study` – A target *Study* object. You can pass multiple studies if you want to compare those EDFs.

**Returns** A `plotly.graph_objs.Figure` object.

### optuna.visualization.plot\_intermediate\_values

`optuna.visualization.plot_intermediate_values(study: optuna.study.Study) → go.Figure`  
Plot intermediate values of all trials in a study.

#### Example

The following code snippet shows how to plot intermediate values.

```
import optuna

def f(x):
    return (x - 2) ** 2

def df(x):
    return 2 * x - 4

def objective(trial):
    lr = trial.suggest_loguniform("lr", 1e-5, 1e-1)

    x = 3
    for step in range(128):
        y = f(x)

        trial.report(y, step=step)
        if trial.should_prune():
            raise optuna.TrialPruned()

        gy = df(x)
        x -= gy * lr

    return y

study = optuna.create_study()
study.optimize(objective, n_trials=16)

optuna.visualization.plot_intermediate_values(study)
```

**Parameters** `study` – A *Study* object whose trials are plotted for their intermediate values.

**Returns** A `plotly.graph_objs.Figure` object.

### optuna.visualization.plot\_optimization\_history

`optuna.visualization.plot_optimization_history` (*study*: `optuna.study.Study`) → `go.Figure`  
Plot optimization history of all trials in a study.

#### Example

The following code snippet shows how to plot optimization history.

```
import optuna

def objective(trial):
    x = trial.suggest_uniform("x", -100, 100)
    y = trial.suggest_categorical("y", [-1, 0, 1])
    return x ** 2 + y

study = optuna.create_study()
study.optimize(objective, n_trials=10)

optuna.visualization.plot_optimization_history(study)
```

**Parameters** *study* – A *Study* object whose trials are plotted for their objective values.

**Returns** A `plotly.graph_objs.Figure` object.

### optuna.visualization.plot\_parallel\_coordinate

`optuna.visualization.plot_parallel_coordinate` (*study*: `optuna.study.Study`, *params*: *Optional[List[str]] = None*) → `go.Figure`

Plot the high-dimensional parameter relationships in a study.

Note that, if a parameter contains missing values, a trial with missing values is not plotted.

#### Example

The following code snippet shows how to plot the high-dimensional parameter relationships.

```
import optuna

def objective(trial):
    x = trial.suggest_uniform("x", -100, 100)
    y = trial.suggest_categorical("y", [-1, 0, 1])
    return x ** 2 + y

study = optuna.create_study()
study.optimize(objective, n_trials=10)

optuna.visualization.plot_parallel_coordinate(study, params=["x", "y"])
```

**Parameters**



- **study** – A *Study* object whose trials are plotted for their objective values.
- **params** – Parameter list to visualize. The default is all parameters.

**Returns** A `plotly.graph_objs.Figure` object.

### `optuna.visualization.plot_param_importances`

`optuna.visualization.plot_param_importances` (*study*: `optuna.study.Study`, *evaluator*: `Optional[optuna.importance._base.BaseImportanceEvaluator]` = `None`, *params*: `Optional[List[str]]` = `None`) → `go.Figure`

Plot hyperparameter importances.

#### Example

The following code snippet shows how to plot hyperparameter importances.

```
import optuna

def objective(trial):
    x = trial.suggest_int("x", 0, 2)
    y = trial.suggest_float("y", -1.0, 1.0)
    z = trial.suggest_float("z", 0.0, 1.5)
    return x ** 2 + y ** 3 - z ** 4

study = optuna.create_study(sampler=optuna.samplers.RandomSampler())
study.optimize(objective, n_trials=100)

optuna.visualization.plot_param_importances(study)
```

#### See also:

This function visualizes the results of `optuna.importance.get_param_importances()`.

#### Parameters

- **study** – An optimized study.
- **evaluator** – An importance evaluator object that specifies which algorithm to base the importance assessment on. Defaults to *FanovaImportanceEvaluator*.
- **params** – A list of names of parameters to assess. If `None`, all parameters that are present in all of the completed trials are assessed.

**Returns** A `plotly.graph_objs.Figure` object.

### optuna.visualization.plot\_slice

`optuna.visualization.plot_slice` (*study*: `optuna.study.Study`, *params*: `Optional[List[str]] = None`) → `go.Figure`

Plot the parameter relationship as slice plot in a study.

Note that, If a parameter contains missing values, a trial with missing values is not plotted.

#### Example

The following code snippet shows how to plot the parameter relationship as slice plot.

```
import optuna

def objective(trial):
    x = trial.suggest_uniform("x", -100, 100)
    y = trial.suggest_categorical("y", [-1, 0, 1])
    return x ** 2 + y

study = optuna.create_study()
study.optimize(objective, n_trials=10)

optuna.visualization.plot_slice(study, params=["x", "y"])
```

#### Parameters

- **study** – A *Study* object whose trials are plotted for their objective values.
- **params** – Parameter list to visualize. The default is all parameters.

**Returns** A `plotly.graph_objs.Figure` object.

### optuna.visualization.is\_available

`optuna.visualization.is_available`() → `bool`

Returns whether visualization with plotly is available or not.

---

**Note:** `visualization` module depends on plotly version 4.0.0 or higher. If a supported version of plotly isn't installed in your environment, this function will return `False`. In such case, please execute `$ pip install -U plotly>=4.0.0` to install plotly.

---

**Returns** `True` if visualization with plotly is available, `False` otherwise.

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**Note:** The following `optuna.visualization.matplotlib` module uses Matplotlib as a backend.

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## optuna.visualization.matplotlib

**Note:** The following functions use Matplotlib as a backend.

<code>optuna.visualization.matplotlib.plot_edf</code>	Plot the objective value EDF (empirical distribution function) of a study with Matplotlib.
<code>optuna.visualization.matplotlib.plot_intermediate_values</code>	Plot intermediate values of all trials in a study with Matplotlib.
<code>optuna.visualization.matplotlib.plot_optimization_history</code>	Plot optimization history of all trials in a study with Matplotlib.
<code>optuna.visualization.matplotlib.plot_parallel_coordinate</code>	Plot the high-dimensional parameter relationships in a study with Matplotlib.
<code>optuna.visualization.matplotlib.is_available</code>	Returns whether visualization with Matplotlib is available or not.

### optuna.visualization.matplotlib.plot\_edf

`optuna.visualization.matplotlib.plot_edf` (*study*: `Union[optuna.study.Study, Sequence[optuna.study.Study]]`) → `matplotlib.axes._axes.Axes`

Plot the objective value EDF (empirical distribution function) of a study with Matplotlib.

**See also:**

Please refer to `optuna.visualization.plot_edf()` for an example, where this function can be replaced with it.

#### Example

The following code snippet shows how to plot EDF.

```
import math

import optuna

def ackley(x, y):
    a = 20 * math.exp(-0.2 * math.sqrt(0.5 * (x ** 2 + y ** 2)))
    b = math.exp(0.5 * (math.cos(2 * math.pi * x) + math.cos(2 * math.pi * y)))
    return -a - b + math.e + 20

def objective(trial, low, high):
    x = trial.suggest_float("x", low, high)
    y = trial.suggest_float("y", low, high)
    return ackley(x, y)

sampler = optuna.samplers.RandomSampler(seed=10)

# Widest search space.
study0 = optuna.create_study(study_name="x=[0,5], y=[0,5]", sampler=sampler)
```

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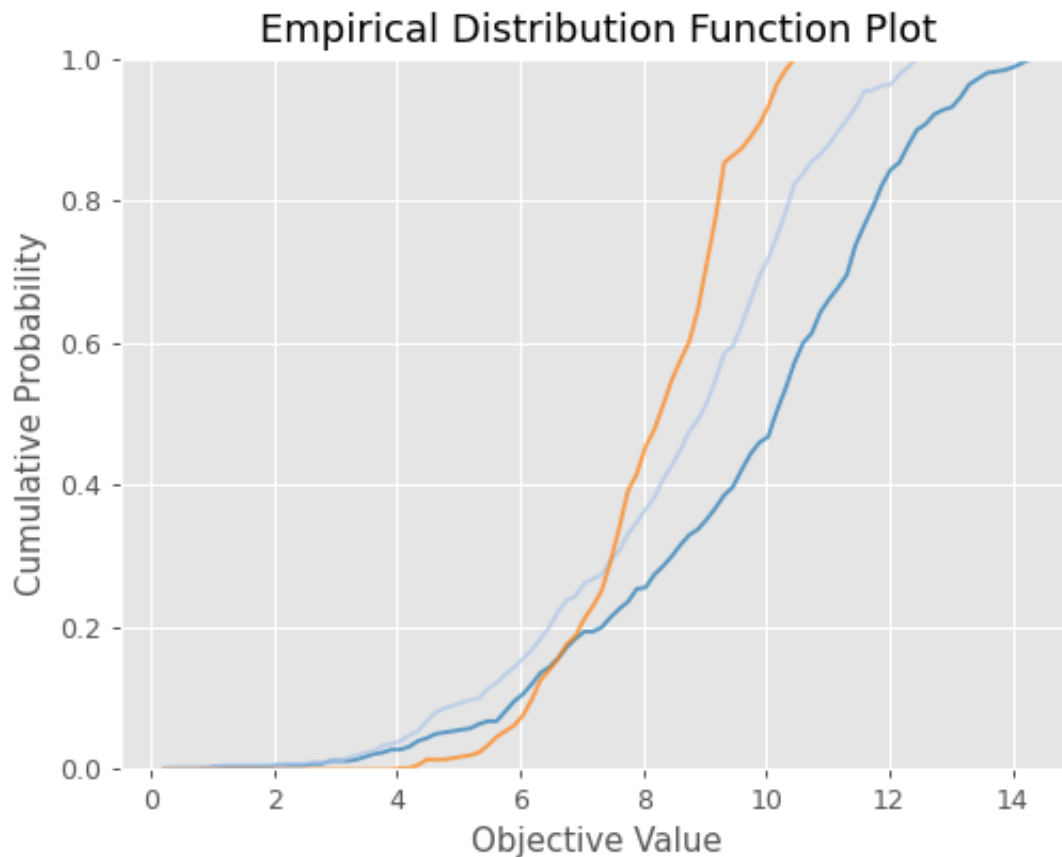
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```
study0.optimize(lambda t: objective(t, 0, 5), n_trials=500)

# Narrower search space.
study1 = optuna.create_study(study_name="x=[0,4), y=[0,4)", sampler=sampler)
study1.optimize(lambda t: objective(t, 0, 4), n_trials=500)

# Narrowest search space but it doesn't include the global optimum point.
study2 = optuna.create_study(study_name="x=[1,3), y=[1,3)", sampler=sampler)
study2.optimize(lambda t: objective(t, 1, 3), n_trials=500)

optuna.visualization.matplotlib.plot_edf([study0, study1, study2])
```



**Parameters** `study` – A target `Study` object. You can pass multiple studies if you want to compare those EDFs.

**Returns** A `matplotlib.axes.Axes` object.

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**Note:** Added in v2.2.0 as an experimental feature. The interface may change in newer versions without prior notice. See <https://github.com/optuna/optuna/releases/tag/v2.2.0>.

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## optuna.visualization.matplotlib.plot\_intermediate\_values

`optuna.visualization.matplotlib.plot_intermediate_values` (*study*: `optuna.study.Study`)  
 → `matplotlib.axes._axes.Axes`

Plot intermediate values of all trials in a study with Matplotlib.

### Example

The following code snippet shows how to plot intermediate values.

```
import optuna

def f(x):
    return (x - 2) ** 2

def df(x):
    return 2 * x - 4

def objective(trial):
    lr = trial.suggest_loguniform("lr", 1e-5, 1e-1)

    x = 3
    for step in range(128):
        y = f(x)

        trial.report(y, step=step)
        if trial.should_prune():
            raise optuna.TrialPruned()

        gy = df(x)
        x -= gy * lr

    return y

sampler = optuna.samplers.TPESampler(seed=10)
study = optuna.create_study(sampler=sampler)
study.optimize(objective, n_trials=16)

optuna.visualization.matplotlib.plot_intermediate_values(study)
```

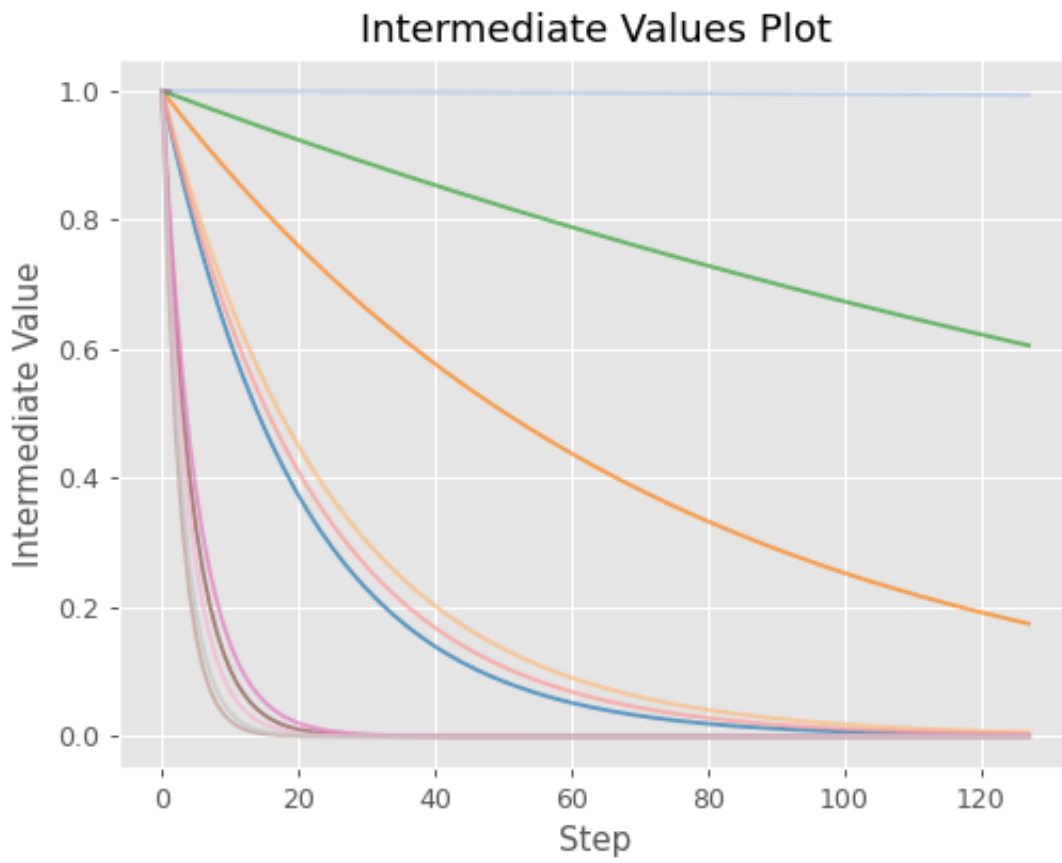
### See also:

Please refer to `optuna.visualization.plot_intermediate_values()` for an example.

**Parameters** `study` – A `Study` object whose trials are plotted for their intermediate values.

**Returns** A `matplotlib.axes.Axes` object.

**Note:** Added in v2.2.0 as an experimental feature. The interface may change in newer versions without prior



notice. See <https://github.com/optuna/optuna/releases/tag/v2.2.0>.

### optuna.visualization.matplotlib.plot\_optimization\_history

optuna.visualization.matplotlib.plot\_optimization\_history (study: optuna.study.Study) → matplotlib.axes.\_axes.Axes

Plot optimization history of all trials in a study with Matplotlib.

**See also:**

Please refer to `optuna.visualization.plot_optimization_history()` for an example.

#### Example

The following code snippet shows how to plot optimization history.

```
import optuna

def objective(trial):
    x = trial.suggest_uniform("x", -100, 100)
    y = trial.suggest_categorical("y", [-1, 0, 1])
    return x ** 2 + y

sampler = optuna.samplers.TPESampler(seed=10)
study = optuna.create_study(sampler=sampler)
study.optimize(objective, n_trials=10)

optuna.visualization.matplotlib.plot_optimization_history(study)
```

**Parameters** **study** – A *Study* object whose trials are plotted for their objective values.

**Returns** A `matplotlib.axes.Axes` object.

**Note:** Added in v2.2.0 as an experimental feature. The interface may change in newer versions without prior notice. See <https://github.com/optuna/optuna/releases/tag/v2.2.0>.

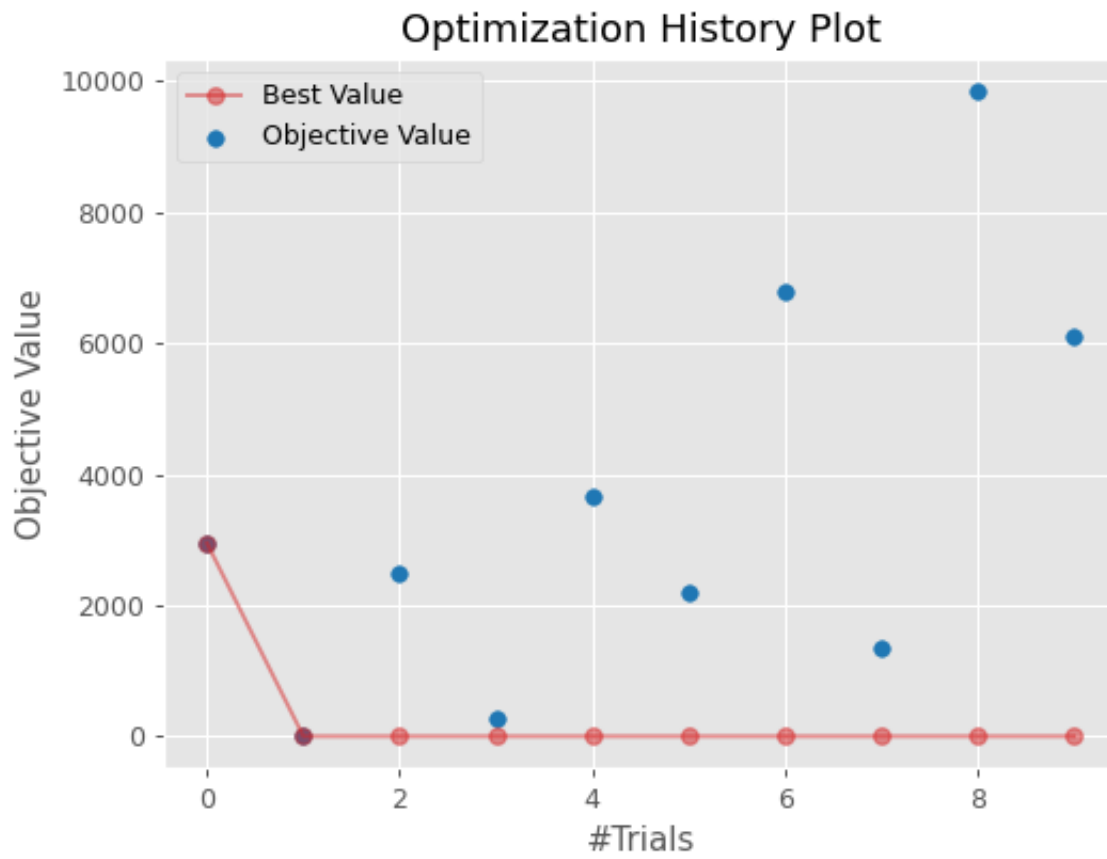
### optuna.visualization.matplotlib.plot\_parallel\_coordinate

optuna.visualization.matplotlib.plot\_parallel\_coordinate (study: optuna.study.Study, params: Optional[List[str]] = None) → matplotlib.axes.\_axes.Axes

Plot the high-dimensional parameter relationships in a study with Matplotlib.

**See also:**

Please refer to `optuna.visualization.plot_parallel_coordinate()` for an example.





**Parameters**

- **study** – A *Study* object whose trials are plotted for their objective values.
- **params** – Parameter list to visualize. The default is all parameters.

**Returns** A `matplotlib.axes.Axes` object.

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**Note:** Added in v2.2.0 as an experimental feature. The interface may change in newer versions without prior notice. See <https://github.com/optuna/optuna/releases/tag/v2.2.0>.

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**optuna.visualization.matplotlib.is\_available**

`optuna.visualization.matplotlib.is_available()` → `bool`

Returns whether visualization with Matplotlib is available or not.

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**Note:** `matplotlib` module depends on Matplotlib version 3.0.0 or higher. If a supported version of Matplotlib isn't installed in your environment, this function will return `False`. In such a case, please execute `$ pip install -U matplotlib>=3.0.0` to install Matplotlib.

---

**Returns** `True` if visualization with Matplotlib is available, `False` otherwise.

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**Note:** Added in v2.2.0 as an experimental feature. The interface may change in newer versions without prior notice. See <https://github.com/optuna/optuna/releases/tag/v2.2.0>.

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## 6.4 FAQ

- *Can I use Optuna with X? (where X is your favorite ML library)*
- *How to define objective functions that have own arguments?*
- *Can I use Optuna without remote RDB servers?*
- *How can I save and resume studies?*
- *How to suppress log messages of Optuna?*
- *How to save machine learning models trained in objective functions?*
- *How can I obtain reproducible optimization results?*
- *How are exceptions from trials handled?*
- *How are NaNs returned by trials handled?*
- *What happens when I dynamically alter a search space?*
- *How can I use two GPUs for evaluating two trials simultaneously?*
- *How can I test my objective functions?*

- *How do I avoid running out of memory (OOM) when optimizing studies?*

### 6.4.1 Can I use Optuna with X? (where X is your favorite ML library)

Optuna is compatible with most ML libraries, and it's easy to use Optuna with those. Please refer to [examples](#).

### 6.4.2 How to define objective functions that have own arguments?

There are two ways to realize it.

First, callable classes can be used for that purpose as follows:

```
import optuna

class Objective(object):
    def __init__(self, min_x, max_x):
        # Hold this implementation specific arguments as the fields of the class.
        self.min_x = min_x
        self.max_x = max_x

    def __call__(self, trial):
        # Calculate an objective value by using the extra arguments.
        x = trial.suggest_uniform('x', self.min_x, self.max_x)
        return (x - 2) ** 2

# Execute an optimization by using an `Objective` instance.
study = optuna.create_study()
study.optimize(Objective(-100, 100), n_trials=100)
```

Second, you can use `lambda` or `functools.partial` for creating functions (closures) that hold extra arguments. Below is an example that uses `lambda`:

```
import optuna

# Objective function that takes three arguments.
def objective(trial, min_x, max_x):
    x = trial.suggest_uniform('x', min_x, max_x)
    return (x - 2) ** 2

# Extra arguments.
min_x = -100
max_x = 100

# Execute an optimization by using the above objective function wrapped by `lambda`.
study = optuna.create_study()
study.optimize(lambda trial: objective(trial, min_x, max_x), n_trials=100)
```

Please also refer to [sklearn\\_additional\\_args.py](#) example, which reuses the dataset instead of loading it in each trial execution.

### 6.4.3 Can I use Optuna without remote RDB servers?

Yes, it's possible.

In the simplest form, Optuna works with in-memory storage:

```
study = optuna.create_study()
study.optimize(objective)
```

If you want to save and resume studies, it's handy to use SQLite as the local storage:

```
study = optuna.create_study(study_name='foo_study', storage='sqlite:///example.db')
study.optimize(objective) # The state of `study` will be persisted to the local_
↳ SQLite file.
```

Please see *Saving/Resuming Study with RDB Backend* for more details.

### 6.4.4 How can I save and resume studies?

There are two ways of persisting studies, which depends if you are using in-memory storage (default) or remote databases (RDB). In-memory studies can be saved and loaded like usual Python objects using `pickle` or `joblib`. For example, using `joblib`:

```
study = optuna.create_study()
joblib.dump(study, 'study.pkl')
```

And to resume the study:

```
study = joblib.load('study.pkl')
print('Best trial until now:')
print(' Value: ', study.best_trial.value)
print(' Params: ')
for key, value in study.best_trial.params.items():
    print(f'    {key}: {value}')
```

If you are using RDBs, see *Saving/Resuming Study with RDB Backend* for more details.

### 6.4.5 How to suppress log messages of Optuna?

By default, Optuna shows log messages at the `optuna.logging.INFO` level. You can change logging levels by using `optuna.logging.set_verbosity()`.

For instance, you can stop showing each trial result as follows:

```
optuna.logging.set_verbosity(optuna.logging.WARNING)

study = optuna.create_study()
study.optimize(objective)
# Logs like '[I 2020-07-21 13:41:45,627] Trial 0 finished with value:... ' are_
↳ disabled.
```

Please refer to `optuna.logging` for further details.

## 6.4.6 How to save machine learning models trained in objective functions?

Optuna saves hyperparameter values with its corresponding objective value to storage, but it discards intermediate objects such as machine learning models and neural network weights. To save models or weights, please use features of the machine learning library you used.

We recommend saving `optuna.trial.Trial.number` with a model in order to identify its corresponding trial. For example, you can save SVM models trained in the objective function as follows:

```
def objective(trial):
    svc_c = trial.suggest_loguniform('svc_c', 1e-10, 1e10)
    clf = sklearn.svm.SVC(C=svc_c)
    clf.fit(X_train, y_train)

    # Save a trained model to a file.
    with open('{} pickle'.format(trial.number), 'wb') as fout:
        pickle.dump(clf, fout)
    return 1.0 - accuracy_score(y_valid, clf.predict(X_valid))

study = optuna.create_study()
study.optimize(objective, n_trials=100)

# Load the best model.
with open('{} pickle'.format(study.best_trial.number), 'rb') as fin:
    best_clf = pickle.load(fin)
print(accuracy_score(y_valid, best_clf.predict(X_valid)))
```

## 6.4.7 How can I obtain reproducible optimization results?

To make the parameters suggested by Optuna reproducible, you can specify a fixed random seed via `seed` argument of `RandomSampler` or `TPESampler` as follows:

```
sampler = TPESampler(seed=10) # Make the sampler behave in a deterministic way.
study = optuna.create_study(sampler=sampler)
study.optimize(objective)
```

However, there are two caveats.

First, when optimizing a study in distributed or parallel mode, there is inherent non-determinism. Thus it is very difficult to reproduce the same results in such condition. We recommend executing optimization of a study sequentially if you would like to reproduce the result.

Second, if your objective function behaves in a non-deterministic way (i.e., it does not return the same value even if the same parameters were suggested), you cannot reproduce an optimization. To deal with this problem, please set an option (e.g., random seed) to make the behavior deterministic if your optimization target (e.g., an ML library) provides it.

### 6.4.8 How are exceptions from trials handled?

Trials that raise exceptions without catching them will be treated as failures, i.e. with the `FAIL` status.

By default, all exceptions except `TrialPruned` raised in objective functions are propagated to the caller of `optimize()`. In other words, studies are aborted when such exceptions are raised. It might be desirable to continue a study with the remaining trials. To do so, you can specify in `optimize()` which exception types to catch using the `catch` argument. Exceptions of these types are caught inside the study and will not propagate further.

You can find the failed trials in log messages.

```
[W 2018-12-07 16:38:36,889] Setting status of trial#0 as TrialState.FAIL because of \
the following error: ValueError('A sample error in objective.')
```

You can also find the failed trials by checking the trial states as follows:

```
study.trials_dataframe()
```

num- ber	state	value	...	params	system_attrs
0	Trial- State.FAIL		...	0	Setting status of trial#0 as TrialState.FAIL because of the following error: ValueError('A test error in objective.')
1	Trial- State.COMPLETE	1269	...	1	

#### See also:

The `catch` argument in `optimize()`.

### 6.4.9 How are NaNs returned by trials handled?

Trials that return NaN (`float('nan')`) are treated as failures, but they will not abort studies.

Trials which return NaN are shown as follows:

```
[W 2018-12-07 16:41:59,000] Setting status of trial#2 as TrialState.FAIL because the \
objective function returned nan.
```

### 6.4.10 What happens when I dynamically alter a search space?

Since parameters search spaces are specified in each call to the suggestion API, e.g. `suggest_uniform()` and `suggest_int()`, it is possible to, in a single study, alter the range by sampling parameters from different search spaces in different trials. The behavior when altered is defined by each sampler individually.

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**Note:** Discussion about the TPE sampler. <https://github.com/optuna/optuna/issues/822>

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### 6.4.11 How can I use two GPUs for evaluating two trials simultaneously?

If your optimization target supports GPU (CUDA) acceleration and you want to specify which GPU is used, the easiest way is to set `CUDA_VISIBLE_DEVICES` environment variable:

```
# On a terminal.
#
# Specify to use the first GPU, and run an optimization.
$ export CUDA_VISIBLE_DEVICES=0
$ optuna study optimize foo.py objective --study-name foo --storage sqlite:///example.
→db

# On another terminal.
#
# Specify to use the second GPU, and run another optimization.
$ export CUDA_VISIBLE_DEVICES=1
$ optuna study optimize bar.py objective --study-name bar --storage sqlite:///example.
→db
```

Please refer to [CUDA C Programming Guide](#) for further details.

### 6.4.12 How can I test my objective functions?

When you test objective functions, you may prefer fixed parameter values to sampled ones. In that case, you can use `FixedTrial`, which suggests fixed parameter values based on a given dictionary of parameters. For instance, you can input arbitrary values of  $x$  and  $y$  to the objective function  $x + y$  as follows:

```
def objective(trial):
    x = trial.suggest_uniform('x', -1.0, 1.0)
    y = trial.suggest_int('y', -5, 5)
    return x + y

objective(FixedTrial({'x': 1.0, 'y': -1})) # 0.0
objective(FixedTrial({'x': -1.0, 'y': -4})) # -5.0
```

Using `FixedTrial`, you can write unit tests as follows:

```
# A test function of pytest
def test_objective():
    assert 1.0 == objective(FixedTrial({'x': 1.0, 'y': 0}))
    assert -1.0 == objective(FixedTrial({'x': 0.0, 'y': -1}))
    assert 0.0 == objective(FixedTrial({'x': -1.0, 'y': 1}))
```

### 6.4.13 How do I avoid running out of memory (OOM) when optimizing studies?

If the memory footprint increases as you run more trials, try to periodically run the garbage collector. Specify `gc_after_trial` to `True` when calling `optimize()` or call `gc.collect()` inside a callback.

```
def objective(trial):
    x = trial.suggest_uniform('x', -1.0, 1.0)
    y = trial.suggest_int('y', -5, 5)
    return x + y

study = optuna.create_study()
```

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```
study.optimize(objective, n_trials=10, gc_after_trial=True)

# `gc_after_trial=True` is more or less identical to the following.
study.optimize(objective, n_trials=10, callbacks=[lambda study, trial: gc.collect()])
```

There is a performance trade-off for running the garbage collector, which could be non-negligible depending on how fast your objective function otherwise is. Therefore, `gc_after_trial` is `False` by default. Note that the above examples are similar to running the garbage collector inside the objective function, except for the fact that `gc.collect()` is called even when errors, including `TrialPruned` are raised.

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**Note:** `ChainerMNStudy` does currently not provide `gc_after_trial` nor callbacks for `optimize()`. When using this class, you will have to call the garbage collector inside the objective function.

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