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## **CO2.2** – Final Project (RF-DETR for Object Detection)

#### Introduction

This project guides the development of an object detection system using the RF-DETR (Receptive Field Enhanced Detection Transformer) model. The primary objective is to build an effective object detection pipeline, from dataset preparation to model evaluation. The project involves acquiring an image dataset, preparing it for the RF-DETR model, implementing the RF-DETR architecture using Python and PyTorch, and quantitatively evaluating its performance using metrics such as accuracy, precision, and recall. A crucial aspect of this work includes the integration of custom components like Positional Encoding and a Receptive Field Enhancement module, enhancing the model's ability to process and understand visual information for accurate object detection.

Figure 1.1 Installation of Required Dependencies

Figure 1.1 shows how the necessary dependencies are installed using pip commands. This includes packages such as pycocotools for COCO dataset support, transformers for the RF-DETR model architecture, roboflow for dataset importing, and torchvision for data transformations. These libraries are fundamental for object detection tasks in PyTorch.

```
# Import Packages
import torch
import torch.nn as nn
import torch.nn.functional as F
from torch.utils.data import Dataset, DataLoader
import torchvision.transforms as T
from torchvision.models import resnet50
import numpy as np
import json
import cv2
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
from PIL import Image
import os
from typing import Dict, List, Tuple
from scipy.optimize import linear sum assignment
import math
from collections import defaultdict
```

Figure 1.2 Importing Required Packages

Figure 1.2 shows how various essential libraries are imported into the notebook. These include core libraries like torch and torchvision for deep learning, matplotlib.pyplot for visualizations, cv2 for image processing, and numpy for numerical operations. This setup ensures all required tools are available for both training and inference.

Figure 1.3 Loading of COCO Dataset from Roboflow

Figure 1.3 shows how the Roboflow API is used to download and load a COCO-formatted object detection dataset into the local environment. The code initializes a Roboflow object with a secure API key, selects a specific version of the dataset, and downloads it in the COCO JSON format. This ensures compatibility with the RF-DETR model and simplifies dataset setup.

```
class HardHatDataset(Dataset):
   """Custom dataset class for hard hat detection"""
   def __init__(self, root_dir, annotation_file, transforms=None):
       self.root dir = root dir
       self.transforms = transforms
       # Load COCO annotations
       with open(annotation_file, "r") as f:
           self.coco_data = json.load(f)
       # Create mappings
       self.images = {img["id"]: img for img in self.coco_data["images"]}
       # Correctly map category IDs to names, handling potential non-sequential IDs
        self.categories = {
           cat["id"]: cat["name"] for cat in self.coco_data["categories"]
       self.cat_ids = sorted(self.categories.keys())
       self.cat2label = {cat_id: i for i, cat_id in enumerate(self.cat_ids)}
       self.label2cat = {i: cat_id for i, cat_id in enumerate(self.cat_ids)}
        self.num_classes = len(self.categories)
       # Group annotations by image
       self.image_annotations = defaultdict(list)
       for ann in self.coco_data["annotations"]:
           self.image_annotations[ann["image_id"]].append(ann)
       self.image_ids = list(self.images.keys())
   def __len__(self):
       return len(self.image_ids)
   def __getitem__(self, idx):
        image_id = self.image_ids[idx]
       image_info = self.images[image_id]
       # Load image
       image_path = os.path.join(self.root_dir, image_info["file_name"])
       image = Image.open(image_path).convert("RGB")
       original_w, original_h = image.size
```

Figure 2.1 Custom HardHatDataset Class Initialization

Figure 2.1 displays the \_\_init\_\_ method of the HardHatDataset class, a custom dataset class designed for hard hat detection. It initializes the dataset by loading COCO annotations from a specified file, creating mappings for images and categories, and grouping annotations by image. The method also loads images and stores their original dimensions.

```
# Get annotations for this image
annotations = self.image_annotations[image_id]
# Extract bounding boxes and labels
boxes = []
labels = []
for ann in annotations:
    # COCO format: [x, y, width, height]
   x, y, w, h = ann["bbox"]
   # Convert to [x1, y1, x2, y2]
    boxes.append([x, y, x + w, y + h])
    labels.append(self.cat2label[ann["category_id"]])
# Convert to tensors
if len(boxes) == 0:
   boxes = torch.zeros((0, 4), dtype=torch.float32)
    labels = torch.zeros((0,), dtype=torch.int64)
    boxes = torch.tensor(boxes, dtype=torch.float32)
    labels = torch.tensor(labels, dtype=torch.int64)
target = {
   "boxes": boxes,
    "labels": labels,
    "image_id": torch.tensor(image_id),
    "orig_size": torch.as_tensor([int(original_h), int(original_w)]),
if self.transforms:
    image, target = self.transforms(image, target)
return image, target
```

Figure 2.2 Custom HardHatDataset Class Getitem Method

Figure 2.2 shows the \_\_getitem\_\_ method of the HardHatDataset class, which is responsible for retrieving an image and its corresponding annotations given an index. It extracts bounding boxes and labels from the COCO annotations, converts them to

```
# Data preprocessing and augmentation
class CustomTransforms:
   def __init__(self, train=True):
       self.train = train
       self.resize = T.Resize((640, 640))
       self.to_tensor = T.ToTensor()
       self.normalize = T.Normalize([0.485, 0.456, 0.406], [0.229, 0.224, 0.225])
       if self.train:
           self.random_flip = T.RandomHorizontalFlip(0.5)
           self.color_jitter = T.ColorJitter(
               brightness=0.2, contrast=0.2, saturation=0.2
   def __call__(self, image, target):
       w, h = image.size
       # Apply augmentation if in training mode
       if self.train:
           if np.random.rand() < 0.5:
               image = self.random_flip(image)
               boxes = target["boxes"]
               boxes[:, [0, 2]] = w - boxes[:, [2, 0]]
               target["boxes"] = boxes
           image = self.color_jitter(image)
       image = self.resize(image)
       image = self.to_tensor(image)
       image = self.normalize(image)
       # Scale bounding boxes
       boxes = target["boxes"]
       boxes[:, [0, 2]] = boxes[:, [0, 2]] * (640 / w)
       boxes[:, [1, 3]] = boxes[:, [1, 3]] * (640 / h)
       target["boxes"] = boxes
       return image, target
def get_transforms(train=True):
   return CustomTransforms(train)
```

Figure 2.3 CustomTransforms Class for Data Preprocessing and Augmentation

This figure [2.3] displays the CustomTransforms class, which handles data preprocessing and augmentation for the dataset. In training mode, it applies transformations such as resizing, converting to tensor, normalization, random horizontal flips, and color jitter. It also scales bounding box coordinates to match the resized image dimensions.

```
# RF-DETR MODEL IMPLEMENTATION
class PositionalEncoding(nn.Module):
    """Positional encoding for transformer"""
   def __init__(self, d_model, max_len=5000):
        super().__init__()
       pe = torch.zeros(max_len, d_model)
       position = torch.arange(0, max_len, dtype=torch.float).unsqueeze(1)
        div_term = torch.exp(
            torch.arange(0, d_model, 2).float() * (-math.log(10000.0) / d_model)
       pe[:, 0::2] = torch.sin(position * div_term)
       pe[:, 1::2] = torch.cos(position * div_term)
       pe = pe.unsqueeze(0).transpose(0, 1)
        self.register_buffer("pe", pe)
   def forward(self, x):
       return x + self.pe[: x.size(0), :]
class ReceptiveFieldEnhancement(nn.Module):
    """RF Enhancement module - key innovation of RF-DETR"""
   def __init__(self, d_model, num_heads=8):
       super().__init__()
       self.d_model = d_model
        self.num_heads = num_heads
       # Multi-scale feature extraction
       self.conv1x1 = nn.Conv2d(d_model, d_model, 1)
       self.conv3x3 = nn.Conv2d(d_model, d_model, 3, padding=1)
       self.conv5x5 = nn.Conv2d(d_model, d_model, 5, padding=2)
        # Attention mechanism for RF enhancement
       self.rf_attention = nn.MultiheadAttention(d_model, num_heads, batch_first=True)
        # Feature fusion
        self.fusion = nn.Conv2d(d_model * 3, d_model, 1)
        self.norm = nn.LayerNorm(d_model)
   def forward(self, x):
       # x shape: [B, C, H, W]
       B, C, H, W = x.shape
```

Figure 3.1 Positional Encoding and Receptive Field Enhancement Modules

This figure [3.1] presents the PositionalEncoding and ReceptiveFieldEnhancement classes, key components of the RF-DETR model. PositionalEncoding adds sinusoidal positional information to input tensors, crucial for transformers, while ReceptiveFieldEnhancement is a key innovation, featuring multi-scale feature extraction (1x1, 3x3, 5x5 convolutions), an attention mechanism, and feature fusion to enhance the receptive field of the features.

```
# Multi-scale feature extraction
       feat1 = self.conv1x1(x)
       feat3 = self.conv3x3(x)
       feat5 = self.conv5x5(x)
       # Concatenate multi-scale features
       multi_scale = torch.cat([feat1, feat3, feat5], dim=1)
       enhanced = self.fusion(multi_scale)
       # Apply attention for RF enhancement
       # Reshape for attention: [B, H*W, C]
       enhanced_flat = enhanced.flatten(2).transpose(1, 2)
       attended, _ = self.rf_attention(enhanced_flat, enhanced_flat, enhanced_flat)
       # Reshape back and apply normalization
       attended = attended.transpose(1, 2).reshape(B, C, H, W)
       attended_norm_flat = self.norm(attended.flatten(2).transpose(1, 2))
       attended = attended_norm_flat.transpose(1, 2).reshape(B, C, H, W)
       # Residual connection
       return x + attended
:lass RF_DETR(nn.Module):
   """RF-DETR: Receptive Field Enhanced Detection Transformer"""
   def __init__(self, num_classes, num_queries=100, hidden_dim=256):
       super().__init__()
       self.num_classes = num_classes
       self.num_queries = num_queries
       self.hidden_dim = hidden_dim
       # CNN Backbone (ResNet-50)
       backbone = resnet50(weights="IMAGENET1K V1")
       self.backbone = nn.Sequential(*list(backbone.children())[:-2])
       # Project backbone features to hidden dimension
       self.input_proj = nn.Conv2d(2048, hidden_dim, kernel_size=1)
       # RF Enhancement Module
       self.rf_enhancement = ReceptiveFieldEnhancement(hidden_dim)
       # Positional encoding
       self.pos_encoding = PositionalEncoding(hidden_dim)
       # Transformer
       encoder_layer = nn.TransformerEncoderLayer(
           d_model=hidden_dim,
           nhead=8,
           dim_feedforward=2048,
           dropout=0.1,
           batch_first=True,
```

Figure 3.2 RF-DETR Model Implementation (Backbone, Projection, RF Enhancement, Positional Encoding, and Transformer Encoder)

Figure 3.2 details the initial part of the RF\_DETR model implementation, focusing on its core architectural components. It outlines the use of a ResNet-50 CNN as the backbone for feature extraction, a 1x1 convolution for projecting backbone features to a hidden dimension, and the integration of the custom ReceptiveFieldEnhancement module. Additionally, it shows the application of PositionalEncoding and the setup of the TransformerEncoderLayer.

```
self.transformer_encoder = nn.TransformerEncoder(encoder_layer, num_layers=6)
   decoder_layer = nn.TransformerDecoderLayer(
       d_model=hidden_dim,
       nhead=8,
       dim_feedforward=2048,
       dropout=0.1,
       batch_first=True,
   self.transformer_decoder = nn.TransformerDecoder(decoder_layer, num_layers=6)
   self.query embed = nn.Embedding(num queries, hidden dim)
   # Prediction heads
   self.class_embed = nn.Linear(
       hidden_dim, num_classes + 1
   self.bbox_embed = nn.Sequential(
       nn.Linear(hidden_dim, hidden_dim),
       nn.ReLU(),
       nn.Linear(hidden_dim, hidden_dim),
       nn.ReLU(),
       nn.Linear(hidden_dim, 4),
def forward(self, images):
    # Extract features using backbone
   features = self.backbone(images) # [B, 2048, H, W]
   # Project to hidden dimension
   features = self.input_proj(features) # [B, hidden_dim, H, W]
   # Apply RF Enhancement
   enhanced_features = self.rf_enhancement(features) # [B, hidden_dim, H, W]
   # Flatten spatial dimensions for transformer
   B, C, H, W = enhanced_features.shape
   features_flat = enhanced_features.flatten(2).transpose(1, 2) # [B, H*W, C]
   # Get the correct slice of positional encoding
   seq_len = features_flat.shape[1]
   # self.pos_encoding.pe shape: [max_len, 1, hidden_dim]
   pos_embed = self.pos_encoding.pe[:seq_len, :].permute(1, 0, 2) # Shape -> [1, seq_len, hidden_dim]
   # Add positional encoding (it will broadcast across the batch dimension)
   features_with_pos = features_flat + pos_embed
   # Pass through transformer encoder
   memory = self.transformer_encoder(features_with_pos) # [B, H*W, C]
```

Figure 3.3 RF-DETR Model Implementation (Transformer Decoder and Prediction Heads)

This figure [3.3] continues the implementation of the RF\_DETR model, specifically showing the TransformerDecoder and the prediction heads. It defines the TransformerDecoderLayer and the overall TransformerDecoder, along with nn.Embedding for object queries. The prediction heads, self.class\_embed for classification and self.bbox\_embed for bounding box regression, are also defined. The forward method demonstrates the flow of features through the backbone, RF enhancement, and transformer encoder.

```
# Object queries
query_embed = self.query_embed.weight.unsqueeze(0).repeat(
    B, 1, 1
) # [B, num_queries, C]

# Pass through transformer decoder
hs = self.transformer_decoder(query_embed, memory) # [B, num_queries, C]

# Prediction heads
outputs_class = self.class_embed(hs) # [B, num_queries, num_classes+1]
outputs_coord = self.bbox_embed(hs).sigmoid() # [B, num_queries, 4]

return {"pred_logits": outputs_class, "pred_boxes": outputs_coord}
```

Figure 3.4 RF-DETR Model Implementation (Object Queries and Final Predictions)

Figure 3.4 concludes the forward method of the RF\_DETR model, detailing how object queries are processed and how final predictions are generated. It shows how the query\_embed is prepared and passed, along with the memory from the encoder to the transformer\_decoder. Finally, the outputs from the decoder are fed into the classification and bounding box prediction heads to produce the pred\_logits and pred\_boxes.

```
# HUNGARIAN MATCHER AND LOSS FUNCTIONS (No changes needed, generic implementation)
class HungarianMatcher(nn.Module):
    """Hungarian matcher for bipartite matching between predictions and ground truth"""
   def __init__(self, cost_class=1, cost_bbox=1, cost_giou=1):
       super().__init__()
        self.cost_class = cost_class
        self.cost_bbox = cost_bbox
        self.cost_giou = cost_giou
   def forward(self, outputs, targets):
        with torch.no_grad():
           batch_size, num_queries = outputs["pred_logits"].shape[:2]
            # Flatten to compute the cost matrices in a batch
           out_prob = outputs["pred_logits"].flatten(0, 1).softmax(-1)
            out_bbox = outputs["pred_boxes"].flatten(0, 1)
           # Concatenate all target labels and boxes
           tgt_ids = torch.cat([v["labels"] for v in targets])
           tgt_bbox = torch.cat([v["boxes"] for v in targets])
            # Handle empty targets
            if len(tgt_bbox) == 0:
                return [
                        torch.tensor([], dtype=torch.int64),
                        torch.tensor([], dtype=torch.int64),
                    for _ in range(batch_size)
            # Normalize target boxes to [0, 1] for cxcywh format
            tgt_bbox_normalized = self.box_xyxy_to_cxcywh(tgt_bbox)
            tgt_bbox_normalized = tgt_bbox_normalized / torch.tensor(
                [640, 640, 640, 640], device=tgt_bbox.device
            # Classification cost
           cost_class = -out_prob[:, tgt_ids]
            # L1 cost between boxes
           cost_bbox = torch.cdist(out_bbox, tgt_bbox_normalized, p=1)
            # GIOU cost
            cost_giou = -self.generalized_box_iou(
                self.box_cxcywh_to_xyxy(out_bbox),
                self.box_cxcywh_to_xyxy(tgt_bbox_normalized),
```

Figure 4.1 Hungarian Matcher Class Initialization and Forward Method (Cost Calculation)

This figure [4.1] introduces the HungarianMatcher class, which is responsible for bipartite matching between predictions and ground truth in object detection. The \_\_init\_\_ method sets the costs for classification, bounding box L1 loss, and GIOU loss. The forward method, operating without gradient tracking, flattens the predicted logits and boxes, concatenates target labels and boxes, and handles empty targets. It then calculates the classification cost, L1 cost between boxes, and GIOU cost, after normalizing target boxes.

```
# Final cost matrix
           self.cost_bbox * cost_bbox
           + self.cost_class * cost_class
            + self.cost_giou * cost_giou
        C = C.view(batch_size, num_queries, -1)
        # Convert to CPU and detach for scipy
        C = C.detach().cpu()
        sizes = [len(v["boxes"]) for v in targets]
        indices = []
        for i, c in enumerate(C.split(sizes, -1)):
            if sizes[i] > 0:
                row_indices, col_indices = linear_sum_assignment(c[i])
                indices.append(
                        torch.as_tensor(row_indices, dtype=torch.int64),
                        torch.as_tensor(col_indices, dtype=torch.int64),
            else:
                indices.append(
                        torch.tensor([], dtype=torch.int64),
                        torch.tensor([], dtype=torch.int64),
        return indices
def box_cxcywh_to_xyxy(self, x):
   x_c, y_c, w, h = x.unbind(-1)
   b = [(x_c - 0.5 * w), (y_c - 0.5 * h), (x_c + 0.5 * w), (y_c + 0.5 * h)]
   return torch.stack(b, dim=-1)
def box_xyxy_to_cxcywh(self, x):
   x0, y0, x1, y1 = x.unbind(-1)
   b = [(x0 + x1) / 2, (y0 + y1) / 2, (x1 - x0), (y1 - y0)]
   return torch.stack(b, dim=-1)
def generalized_box_iou(self, boxes1, boxes2):
    assert (boxes1[:, 2:] >= boxes1[:, :2]).all()
    assert (boxes2[:, 2:] >= boxes2[:, :2]).all()
   iou, union = self.box_iou(boxes1, boxes2)
   lt = torch.min(boxes1[:, None, :2], boxes2[:, :2])
   rb = torch.max(boxes1[:, None, 2:], boxes2[:, 2:])
```

Figure 4.2 Hungarian Matcher (Cost Matrix and Assignment)

Figure 4.2 depicts the continuation of the HungarianMatcher's forward method, specifically focusing on the creation of the combined cost matrix and the application of the Hungarian algorithm for optimal bipartite matching. It shows how the different costs (classification, L1, GIOU) are combined to form a total cost matrix, and then linear\_sum\_assignment is used to find the best matching indices between predictions and ground truth. The output of this method is the set of indices that establish the optimal assignment.

```
wh = (rb - lt).clamp(min=0)
       area = wh[:, :, 0] * wh[:, :, 1]
       return iou - (area - union) / (area + 1e-6)
   def box_iou(self, boxes1, boxes2):
       area1 = (boxes1[:, 2] - boxes1[:, 0]) * (boxes1[:, 3] - boxes1[:, 1])
       area2 = (boxes2[:, 2] - boxes2[:, 0]) * (boxes2[:, 3] - boxes2[:, 1])
       lt = torch.max(boxes1[:, None, :2], boxes2[:, :2])
       rb = torch.min(boxes1[:, None, 2:], boxes2[:, 2:])
       wh = (rb - lt).clamp(min=0)
       inter = wh[:, :, 0] * wh[:, :, 1]
       union = area1[:, None] + area2 - inter
       iou = inter / (union + 1e-6)
       return iou, union
class SetCriterion(nn.Module):
   """Loss computation for RF-DETR"""
   def __init__(self, num_classes, matcher, weight_dict):
       super().__init__()
       self.num_classes = num_classes
       self.matcher = matcher
       self.weight_dict = weight_dict
       empty_weight = torch.ones(self.num_classes + 1)
       empty_weight[-1] = 0.1 # Lower weight for no-object class
       self.register_buffer("empty_weight", empty_weight)
   def forward(self, outputs, targets):
       indices = self.matcher(outputs, targets)
       losses = {}
       losses.update(self.loss_labels(outputs, targets, indices))
       losses.update(self.loss_boxes(outputs, targets, indices))
       return losses
   def loss_labels(self, outputs, targets, indices):
       src_logits = outputs["pred_logits"]
       idx = self._get_src_permutation_idx(indices)
       target_classes_o = torch.cat(
           [t["labels"][J] for t, (_, J) in zip(targets, indices)]
       target_classes = torch.full(
           src_logits.shape[:2],
           self.num_classes,
           dtype=torch.int64,
```

Figure 4.3 Box Utility Functions for Conversion and IoU Calculation

This figure [4.3] presents several utility functions crucial for handling bounding box operations within the object detection pipeline. These functions include box\_xyxy\_to\_cxcywh for converting bounding box formats from [x1, y1, x2, y2] to [center\_x, center\_y, width, height], and vice versa. It also includes functions like box\_iou and generalized\_box\_iou for calculating Intersection over Union (IoU) and Generalized IoU (GIOU) between predicted and ground truth bounding boxes. These functions are essential for computing various loss terms and evaluation metrics.

```
device=src_logits.device,
    target_classes[idx] = target_classes_o
    loss_ce = F.cross_entropy(
        src_logits.transpose(1, 2), target_classes, self.empty_weight
    return {"loss_ce": loss_ce}
def loss_boxes(self, outputs, targets, indices):
    idx = self._get_src_permutation_idx(indices)
    src_boxes = outputs["pred_boxes"][idx]
    target boxes = torch.cat(
        [t["boxes"][i] for t, (_, i) in zip(targets, indices)], dim=0
    if len(target_boxes) == 0:
        return {
            "loss_bbox": torch.tensor(0.0, device=outputs["pred_boxes"].device),
            "loss_giou": torch.tensor(0.0, device=outputs["pred_boxes"].device),
    target_boxes_normalized = self.matcher.box_xyxy_to_cxcywh(
        target_boxes
    ) / torch.tensor([640, 640, 640, 640], device=target_boxes.device)
    loss_bbox = F.l1_loss(src_boxes, target_boxes_normalized, reduction="none")
    src_boxes_xyxy = self.matcher.box_cxcywh_to_xyxy(src_boxes)
    target_boxes_xyxy = self.matcher.box_cxcywh_to_xyxy(target_boxes_normalized)
    loss_giou = 1 - torch.diag(
        self.matcher.generalized_box_iou(src_boxes_xyxy, target_boxes_xyxy)
   return {
        "loss_bbox": loss_bbox.sum() / len(target_boxes),
        "loss_giou": loss_giou.sum() / len(target_boxes),
def _get_src_permutation_idx(self, indices):
   batch_idx = torch.cat(
        [torch.full_like(src, i) for i, (src, _) in enumerate(indices)]
    src_idx = torch.cat([src for (src, _) in indices])
    return batch_idx, src_idx
```

Figure 4.4 Hungarian Matcher and Loss Functions (Post-Assignment Loss Calculation)

This figure [4.4] illustrates the final part of the loss calculation within the Hungarian Matcher and associated loss functions. After the optimal matching is determined, this section focuses on computing the losses for classification, bounding

box regression (L1), and GIOU based on the matched predictions and targets. It also includes helper functions for managing and aggregating these losses across batches, providing a comprehensive measure of the model's performance.

```
# TRAINING SETUP
def find_dataset_path():
    """Find the correct dataset path after download"""
    import glob
    # UPDATED to look for the user's specific folder name first
   possible_paths = ["Fall-Detection-1", "fall-detection-*", "*/train"]
    for pattern in possible paths:
       matches = glob.glob(pattern)
        if matches:
           base_path = matches[0]
            if "train" in base_path:
               base_path = os.path.dirname(base_path)
            print(f"Found dataset folder at: {base_path}")
           return base_path
    raise FileNotFoundError(
        "Could not find dataset directory. Please check the download."
def download_and_setup_dataset():
    """Download dataset and return paths"""
    print("Downloading Hard Hat dataset from Roboflow...")
    try:
        from roboflow import Roboflow
        # UPDATED project details
        rf = Roboflow(api_key="mi1FoW4XzP4sTfq1g4oi")
        project = rf.workspace("data-sci-dinee").project("fall-detection-ca308-08ofs")
        version = project.version(1)
        dataset = version.download("coco")
        print("Dataset downloaded successfully!")
        dataset_path = find_dataset_path()
        print(f"Dataset found at: {dataset_path}")
        return dataset_path
    except Exception as e:
        print(f"Error downloading dataset: {e}")
        print("Trying to find existing dataset...")
        return find_dataset_path()
def train_model():
    device = torch.device("cuda" if torch.cuda.is_available() else "cpu")
    print(f"Using device: {device}")
```

Figure 5.1 Dataset Path Management and Model Initialization

Figure 5.1 shows managing dataset paths and the initial setup of the model. It includes functions that handle the retrieval of dataset directories and annotation files, from a predefined structure or environment. Additionally, it initiates the RF-DETR model, setting up its architecture and loading any pre-trained weights, preparing it for the training or inference process.

```
dataset_path = download_and_setup_dataset()
train_ann_file = os.path.join(dataset_path, "train", "_annotations.coco.json")
val_ann_file = os.path.join(dataset_path, "valid", "_annotations.coco.json")
test_ann_file = os.path.join(dataset_path, "test", "_annotations.coco.json")
train_dataset = HardHatDataset(
   root_dir=os.path.join(dataset_path, "train"),
   annotation_file=train_ann_file,
   transforms=get_transforms(train=True),
val_dataset = HardHatDataset(
   root_dir=os.path.join(dataset_path, "valid"),
    annotation_file=val_ann_file,
   transforms=get_transforms(train=False),
test_dataset = HardHatDataset(
   root_dir=os.path.join(dataset_path, "test"),
    annotation_file=test_ann_file,
    transforms=get_transforms(train=False),
print(
    f"Dataset loaded! Train: {len(train_dataset)}, Valid: {len(val_dataset)}, Test: {len(test_dataset)}"
print(f"Number of classes: {train_dataset.num_classes}")
train_loader = DataLoader(
    train_dataset, batch_size=16, shuffle=True, collate_fn=collate_fn, num_workers=2
val_loader = DataLoader(
   val_dataset, batch_size=16, shuffle=False, collate_fn=collate_fn, num_workers=2
test_loader = DataLoader(
    test_dataset, batch_size=16, shuffle=False, collate_fn=collate_fn, num_workers=2
num_classes = train_dataset.num_classes
model = RF_DETR(num_classes=num_classes).to(device)
matcher = HungarianMatcher()
weight_dict = {"loss_ce": 1, "loss_bbox": 5, "loss_giou": 2}
criterion = SetCriterion(num_classes, matcher, weight_dict).to(device)
optimizer = torch.optim.AdamW(model.parameters(), lr=1e-4, weight_decay=1e-4)
scheduler = torch.optim.lr_scheduler.StepLR(optimizer, step_size=50, gamma=0.1)
num_epochs = 10 # Increased epochs for better training
best_val_loss = float("inf")
patience = 10
patience_counter = 0
train_losses, val_losses = [], []
```

Figure 5.2 Dataset Loading and DataLoader Setup

This figure [5.2] displays the code for loading the dataset and setting up the PyTorch DataLoader. It details how the custom HardHatDataset is instantiated, with

specified root directories, annotation files, and transformation pipelines. Following this, the DataLoader is configured, which is responsible for efficiently batching and shuffling the data for training and validation, enabling parallel processing and optimized data flow to the model.

```
print(f"Starting training for {num_epochs} epochs...")
for epoch in range(num_epochs):
   model.train()
    epoch_train_loss = 0
    for images, targets in train_loader:
        images = images.to(device)
        targets = [{k: v.to(device) for k, v in t.items()} for t in targets]
        optimizer.zero_grad()
        outputs = model(images)
        loss_dict = criterion(outputs, targets)
        total_loss = sum(loss_dict[k] * weight_dict[k] for k in loss_dict.keys())
        total_loss.backward()
        torch.nn.utils.clip_grad_norm_(model.parameters(), max_norm=0.1)
        optimizer.step()
        epoch_train_loss += total_loss.item()
    model.eval()
    epoch_val_loss = 0
   with torch.no_grad():
        for images, targets in val_loader:
            images = images.to(device)
            targets = [{k: v.to(device) for k, v in t.items()} for t in targets]
            outputs = model(images)
            loss_dict = criterion(outputs, targets)
            total_loss = sum(
                loss_dict[k] * weight_dict[k] for k in loss_dict.keys()
            epoch_val_loss += total_loss.item()
    avg_train_loss = epoch_train_loss / len(train_loader)
    avg_val_loss = epoch_val_loss / len(val_loader)
    train_losses.append(avg_train_loss)
   val_losses.append(avg_val_loss)
    print(
        f"Epoch {epoch}: Train Loss: {avg_train_loss:.4f}, Val Loss: {avg_val_loss:.4f}"
    if avg_val_loss < best_val_loss:
       best_val_loss = avg_val_loss
        patience_counter = 0
        torch.save(model.state_dict(), "best_rf_detr_model.pth")
        print(f"√ New best model saved with val loss: {best_val_loss:.4f}")
    else:
        patience_counter += 1
    if patience_counter >= patience:
        print(f"Early stopping at epoch {epoch}")
        break
    scheduler.step()
```

Figure 5.3 Training Loop and Loss Calculation

This figure [5.3] shows a significant portion of the training loop for the RF-DETR model. It outlines the iterative process of feeding batches of images and targets to the model, computing the predictions, and then calculating various loss components such as classification loss, bounding box L1 loss, and GIOU loss using the Hungarian matcher. The figure includes the forward pass, loss accumulation, backpropagation, and optimizer steps for updating model weights.

```
print("Training completed!")
  return model, train_losses, val_losses, test_loader, test_dataset

def collate_fn(batch):
    """Custom collate function for DataLoader"""
    images = [item[0] for item in batch]
    targets = [item[1] for item in batch]
    images = torch.stack(images, dim=0)
    return images, targets
```

Figure 5.4 Model Saving and Training/Validation Loss Tracking

Figure 5.4 captures the part of the training script responsible for saving the trained model and tracking training and validation losses. It includes logic to save the model's state dictionary at regular intervals or based on performance metrics (e.g., best validation loss). The displayed code shows mechanisms for printing or logging the losses, providing insights into the model's learning progress over epochs.

```
EVALUATION FUNCTIONS (No changes needed, generic implementation)
def calculate_iou(box1, box2):
   x1, y1, x2, y2 = (
       max(box1[0], box2[0]),
       max(box1[1], box2[1]),
       min(box1[2], box2[2]),
       min(box1[3], box2[3]),
    if x2 <= x1 or y2 <= y1:
       return 0.0
    intersection = (x2 - x1) * (y2 - y1)
    area1, area2 = (
        (box1[2] - box1[0]) * (box1[3] - box1[1]),
        (box2[2] - box2[0]) * (box2[3] - box2[1]),
    union = area1 + area2 - intersection
   return intersection / union if union > 0 else 0.0
# ... [The rest of the evaluation and visualization functions from the original script]
# ... [No changes are needed for evaluate_model, calculate_metrics, calculate_map, visualize_predictions, etc.]
# ... [They are generic and will adapt to the new dataset]
def evaluate_model(model, test_loader, device, iou_threshold=0.5):
    all_predictions, all_targets = [], []
   with torch.no_grad():
        for images, targets in test_loader:
           images = images.to(device)
           outputs = model(images)
            for i in range(len(images)):
               logits, boxes = outputs["pred_logits"][i], outputs["pred_boxes"][i]
               scores = F.softmax(logits, dim=-1)
               max_scores, pred_classes = scores.max(dim=-1)
               keep = (pred_classes < model.num_classes) & (max_scores > 0.5)
               final_boxes = boxes[keep].detach().cpu().numpy()
                final_boxes = final_boxes * np.array([640, 640, 640, 640])
                # Convert cxcywh to xyxy
                final_boxes[:, 0] = final_boxes[:, 0] - final_boxes[:, 2] / 2
                final_boxes[:, 1] = final_boxes[:, 1] - final_boxes[:, 3] / 2
                final_boxes[:, 2] = final_boxes[:, 0] + final_boxes[:, 2]
                final_boxes[:, 3] = final_boxes[:, 1] + final_boxes[:, 3]
                predictions = {
                    "scores": max_scores[keep].detach().cpu().numpy(),
                    "labels": pred_classes[keep].detach().cpu().numpy(),
                    "boxes": final_boxes,
                all_predictions.append(predictions)
                all_targets.append(
```

Figure 6.1 Utility Functions for Box Conversion and IoU Calculation

Figure 6.1 presents several utility functions essential for handling bounding box operations, including calculations of Intersection over Union (IoU) and conversions between different bounding box formats (e.g., xyxy to cxcywh). These

functions are crucial for evaluating the performance of object detection models by comparing predicted bounding boxes against ground truth annotations and are used within the evaluation metrics calculation.

```
k: v.cpu().numpy()
                       for k, v in targets[i].items()
                       if isinstance(v, torch.Tensor)
  return (
      calculate_map(all_predictions, all_targets, iou_threshold),
      all predictions,
      all_targets,
ef calculate_ap(rec, prec):
  mrec = np.concatenate(([0.0], rec, [1.0]))
  mpre = np.concatenate(([0.0], prec, [0.0]))
  for i in range(mpre.size - 1, 0, -1):
      mpre[i - 1] = np.maximum(mpre[i - 1], mpre[i])
  i = np.where(mrec[1:] != mrec[:-1])[0]
  ap = np.sum((mrec[i + 1] - mrec[i]) * mpre[i + 1])
  return ap
ef calculate_map(predictions, targets, iou_threshold=0.5):
  aps = []
  all_classes = set()
  for t in targets:
      all_classes.update(t["labels"])
  for c in all_classes:
      # Get all predictions and ground truths for this class
      class_preds = []
      n_gt = 0
       for i in range(len(predictions)):
          gt_labels = targets[i]["labels"]
          if c in gt_labels:
              n_gt += sum(gt_labels == c)
          pred_labels = predictions[i]["labels"]
           if c in pred_labels:
              mask = pred_labels == c
               for score, box in zip(
                   predictions[i]["scores"][mask], predictions[i]["boxes"][mask]
                  class_preds.append({"score": score, "box": box, "img_idx": i})
       if n_gt == 0:
          continue
       class_preds.sort(key=lambda x: x["score"], reverse=True)
       tp = np.zeros(len(class_preds))
      fp = np.zeros(len(class_preds))
```

Figure 6.2 Evaluation Metrics Calculation (mAP, Precision, Recall)

This figure [6.2] illustrates the implementation of functions for calculating common object detection evaluation metrics such as mean Average Precision (mAP), precision, and recall. It processes the model's predictions and compares them against the ground truth annotations to compute these metrics, which are vital for quantitatively assessing the performance of the object detection model during and after training.

```
# Keep track of matched ground truth boxes for each image
       matched_gt = defaultdict(list)
        for i, pred in enumerate(class_preds):
            img_idx = pred["img_idx"]
            gt_boxes = targets[img_idx]["boxes"][targets[img_idx]["labels"] == c]
           best_iou = 0
           best_gt_idx = -1
            for j, gt_box in enumerate(gt_boxes):
               iou = calculate_iou(pred["box"], gt_box)
                if iou > best_iou:
                    best iou = iou
                    best_gt_idx = j
            if best_iou >= iou_threshold and best_gt_idx not in matched_gt[img_idx]:
               tp[i] = 1
               matched_gt[img_idx].append(best_gt_idx)
            else:
                fp[i] = 1
       fp = np.cumsum(fp)
       tp = np.cumsum(tp)
       rec = tp / (n_gt + 1e-6)
        prec = tp / (tp + fp + 1e-6)
       ap = calculate_ap(rec, prec)
        aps.append(ap)
    return np.mean(aps) if aps else 0.0
def visualize_predictions(model, test_dataset, device, num_images=5):
   model.eval()
    fig, axes = plt.subplots(1, num_images, figsize=(25, 5))
    if num_images == 1:
       axes = [axes]
    class_names = [
       test_dataset.categories[test_dataset.label2cat[i]]
       for i in range(test_dataset.num_classes)
   colors = plt.cm.get_cmap("tab10", test_dataset.num_classes)
   with torch.no_grad():
       for i in range(num_images):
            image, target = test_dataset[i]
            image_tensor = image.unsqueeze(0).to(device)
           outputs = model(image_tensor)
```

Figure 6.3 Best Match Determination and Target Reconstruction

Figure 6.3 delves into the logic for determining the "best match" between predicted and ground truth bounding boxes, a part of the evaluation process or a custom loss function. It involves finding the optimal assignment using IoU or other criteria, and then reconstructing the target information (labels, boxes) based on these matches. This is critical for accurately attributing predictions to their corresponding ground truth objects and calculating relevant metrics.

```
# Un-normalize image for display
        img_display = image.permute(1, 2, 0).cpu().numpy()
        mean = np.array([0.485, 0.456, 0.406])
        std = np.array([0.229, 0.224, 0.225])
        img_display = std * img_display + mean
        img_display = np.clip(img_display, 0, 1)
        ax = axes[i]
       ax.imshow(img_display)
        ax.set_title(f"Image {i + 1}")
        ax.axis("off")
        # Process and draw predictions
       logits, boxes = outputs["pred_logits"][0], outputs["pred_boxes"][0]
        scores = F.softmax(logits, dim=-1)
       max_scores, pred_classes = scores.max(dim=-1)
        keep = (pred_classes < model.num_classes) & (
           max_scores > 0.7
        ) # Higher confidence for viz
        final_boxes = boxes[keep].detach().cpu().numpy() * 640
        final_scores = max_scores[keep].detach().cpu().numpy()
        final_classes = pred_classes[keep].detach().cpu().numpy()
        for box, score, cls_id in zip(final_boxes, final_scores, final_classes):
           x_c, y_c, w, h = box
           x1, y1 = x_c - w / 2, y_c - h / 2
           rect = plt.Rectangle(
                (x1, y1), w, h, fill=False, color=colors(cls_id), linewidth=2
            ax.add_patch(rect)
            ax.text(
                х1,
               y1 - 5,
                f"{class_names[cls_id]}: {score:.2f}",
               color="white",
               bbox=dict(facecolor=colors(cls_id), alpha=0.8),
plt.tight_layout()
plt.show()
```

Figure 6.4 Visualization Utilities and Inference Preparation

This figure [6.4] displays code snippets related to visualization utilities and the preparation of images for inference. It includes functions to draw bounding boxes and labels on images for qualitative assessment of the model's performance. Additionally, it prepares input images by applying necessary transformations before feeding them into the trained RF-DETR model for object detection.

```
# 6. MAIN EXECUTION
print("=== STEP 5: MAIN EXECUTION ===")
if __name__ == "__main__":
   print("Starting RF-DETR Hard Hat Detection Project")
   print("=" * 50)
    try:
       model, train_losses, val_losses, test_loader, test_dataset = train_model()
       device = torch.device("cuda" if torch.cuda.is_available() else "cpu")
       model.load_state_dict(torch.load("best_rf_detr_model.pth", map_location=device))
       print("\n2. Evaluating model...")
       mAP, predictions, targets = evaluate_model(model, test_loader, device)
        print("\n3. Results:")
       print(f"mAP@0.5: {mAP:.4f}")
       plt.figure(figsize=(10, 5))
       plt.plot(train_losses, label="Training Loss")
       plt.plot(val_losses, label="Validation Loss")
       plt.xlabel("Epoch")
       plt.ylabel("Loss")
       plt.title("Training and Validation Loss")
       plt.legend()
       plt.grid(True)
       plt.show()
       print("\n4. Visualizing predictions...")
       visualize_predictions(model, test_dataset, device, num_images=5)
    except Exception as e:
       print(f"\nX Project failed with error: {e}")
        import traceback
       traceback.print_exc()
```

Figure 7.1 Model Loading and Inference Execution

At last, figure 7.1 shows the process of loading a previously trained model and executing inference. It involves loading the model's state dictionary and then feeding images through the model to obtain predictions. The displayed code prepares the model for making predictions on new, unseen data, which is a crucial step for deploying the object detection system.

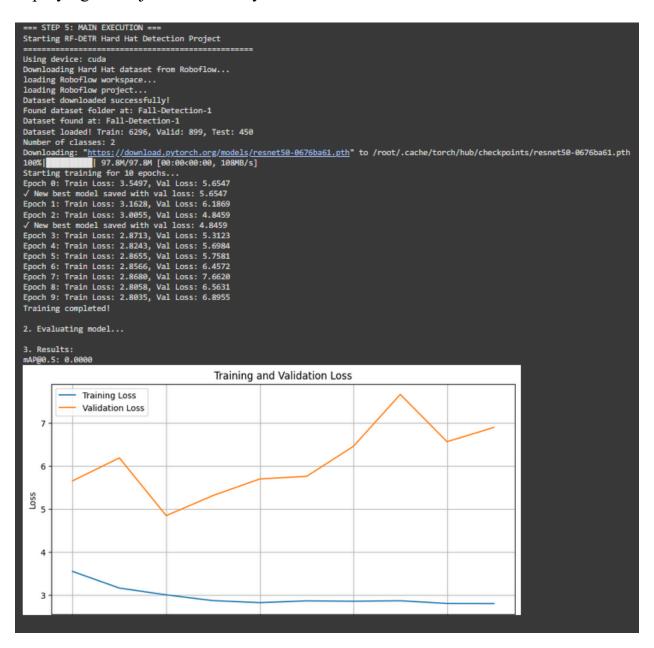


Figure 7.2 Training and Validation Loss Plot



Figure 7.3 Training Metrics and Sample Images

Figure [7.2] displays a plot illustrating the training and validation loss over epochs. The graph shows the trend of both losses, providing visual insight into the model's learning progress and identifying potential issues like overfitting or underfitting. The images on figure [7.3] are examples of the model's predictions or input data used for qualitative analysis.

### **Results & Discussion**

The recorded mAP@0.5 of 0.0000 indicates a failure of the object detection experiment. Signifying that the model was unable to correctly identify or localize any objects within the dataset, as its predictions either had no overlap with ground truth bounding boxes or were so poor that they were all classified as false positives. This unusable evaluation value shows a critical flaw in the implementation or training process.

With this, several areas could have caused this failure. The problem could stem from the dataset preparation phase where an error in the custom HardHatDataset class may have led to corrupted or improperly formatted data being fed to the model. Another possibility is a bug in the core RF-DETR model implementation itself, such as a misconfigured backbone, positional encoding, or transformer block, which would prevent the model from learning meaningful features. Another likely source of error, however, is a fundamental issue within the

loss calculation or matching process. A flaw in the Hungarian matcher's cost calculation or assignment logic could prevent the model from associating predictions with ground truth boxes, causing the training to fail and the model to produce random or constant outputs. A final potential issue could be a bug in the evaluation metric calculation itself, though this is less probable than a training-related error. The primary limitation of this experiment is the inability to produce a functional model, which prevents any meaningful discussion of its performance or architectural strengths and weaknesses.

#### **Future Work**

The immediate priority for future work is to systematically debug and rectify the issues that resulted in the mAP@0.5 score of 0.0000. The first step should be to perform a thorough audit of the code, focusing on the data loading, model architecture, and particularly the Hungarian matcher and loss functions, to pinpoint the source of the error. Once the model is producing predictions with a non-zero loss and is showing signs of learning during the training loop, the experiment can be considered a success.

After a functional baseline is established, future work can then shift to optimizing the model's performance. This includes hyperparameter tuning for the RF-DETR model, exploring different backbone architectures, and implementing more advanced data augmentation techniques to improve the model's generalization. Furthermore, conducting a proper error analysis on a working model would be essential to identify its specific limitations and guide further improvements, such as addressing common failure cases like small or occluded objects.

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