DataExploration

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1 1 Data Exploration and Preprocessing

```
[]: from google.colab import drive drive.mount('/content/drive')
```

Drive already mounted at /content/drive; to attempt to forcibly remount, call drive.mount("/content/drive", force_remount=True).

In order to be sure all images are the same size I resized them to 128 by 128. The dataset claimed all images were already sized, however I decided it makes sense to be sure.

Found 500 files belonging to 2 classes. Found 100 files belonging to 2 classes.

1.0.1 1.1 Dataset distribution / size

The PandasBears dataset contains 640 images in 2 classes. The data is first split by training and testing data with 128 training images and 512 testing images.

Number of classes: 2 Class names: ['Bears', 'Pandas'] Total training images: 512 Total testing images: 128 Total images: 640

The distribution of pandas vs bears is a perfect split of 50 - 50. This means 64 each in the training and 256 each in the testing. Since there is no imbalance in my dataset I do not need to worry about frequency of images causing underfitting or overfitting.

```
[]: # Get the class distribution (number of images per class)
class_counts = {}
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for images, labels in train:
    for label in labels.numpy():
        class_counts[train.class_names[label]] = class_counts.get(train.
        class_names[label], 0) + 1

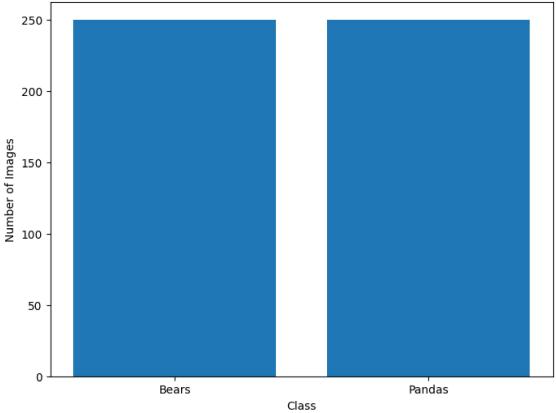
print("Class Distribution:")
for class_name, count in class_counts.items():
    print(f"{class_name}: {count}")
```

Class Distribution:

Bears: 250 Pandas: 250

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[]: # Visaulize the Class distribute with a bar chart
plt.figure(figsize=(8, 6))
plt.bar(class_counts.keys(), class_counts.values())
plt.title('Class Distribution in Training Set')
plt.xlabel('Class')
plt.ylabel('Number of Images')
plt.show()
```





1.0.2 Viewing data / Checking corruption

Viewing a few images from the dataset can be good to view the overall quality.

```
[]: # Display a few sample images from the training dataset
plt.figure(figsize=(10, 10))
for images, labels in train.take(1):
    for i in range(9):
        ax = plt.subplot(3, 3, i + 1)
        plt.imshow(images[i].numpy().astype("uint8"))
        plt.title(train.class_names[labels[i]])
        plt.axis("off")
plt.show()
```



Checking for missing or corrupted images showed no corrupted images for either dataset. I did this by attempting to load each image, if it doesn't load it is corrupted or missing.

```
[]: # Check for missing / corrupted images
     def check_image(file_path):
         try:
             img = Image.open(file_path)
             img.verify() # Verify that the image is not corrupted
             return True
         except (IOError, SyntaxError) as e:
             print(f"Corrupted image file: {file_path}")
             return False
     # Testing the train set
     for root, dirs, files in os.walk(train_dir):
         for file in files:
             file_path = os.path.join(root, file)
             check image(file path)
     # Testing the test set
     for root, dirs, files in os.walk(test_dir):
         for file in files:
             file_path = os.path.join(root, file)
             check_image(file_path)
```

On average the brighness of our images are dark, but not extremely. Our mean pixel value of 101.7 indicates this, with values ranging from 0 (black) to 255 (white) it is evident our pictures are more black than white.

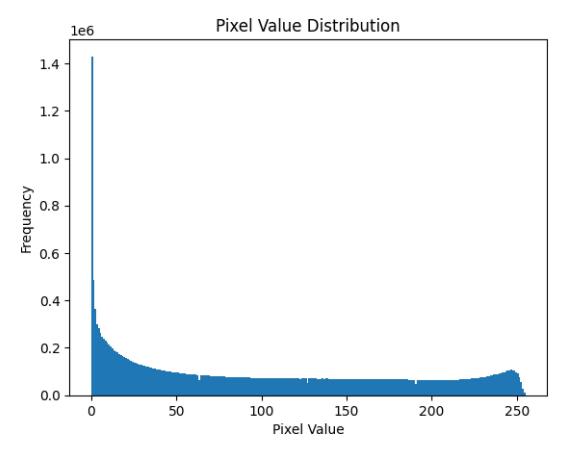
The standard deviation of 81.17 measures the spread/variation of pixel values around the mean. 81.17 suggests there is a significant amount of variation in the pixel values so our images have a decent amount of contrast and detail.

```
[]: # Calculate and display some basic image statistics (mean, standard deviation)
   image_list = []
   for images, labels in train:
        for image in images.numpy():
            image_list.append(image)

all_images = np.array(image_list)

# Average brightness or intesisty of the images
   print(f"Mean pixel value: {np.mean(all_images)}")
```

Mean pixel value: 98.99723052978516 Standard deviation of pixel values: 81.5533676147461



1.0.3 1.3 Normalization / Augmentation / Performance

It is a common technique to use the mean and standard deviation values to normalize a dataset. To do this I use the same values for both the training and testing dataset to ensure consistency. Normalization can significantly improve the performance of my model. For example: - perhaps parts of our data have different scales for pixel values, normalization would ensure the scales are the same - if we had outliers dominating our feature set, normalization would ensure features with larger values do not influence the model disproportionalitely

I am using Z-score normalization meaning I use this formula:

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normalized_val = (original_val - mean) / std_dev
```

Z-score normalization essentially centers the data around 0 and scales it so the standard deviation is 1.

The normalization being added to the model is not shown here as it is best to use it as a layer in our model. For example, I will do something like below:

```
# Build your model
model = tf.keras.Sequential([
    normalization_layer, # Add the normalization layer as the first layer
    # .. the rest of the layers
])
```

First I need to specify my layer though, this is shown below.

```
[]: # Create a Normalization layer
normalization_layer = Normalization()

# Adapt the layer to the data
normalization_layer.adapt(train.map(lambda x, _: x))
```

I will also add a layer for data augmentation. This will expand the diversity of my dataset by applying various transformations. Since our dataset size is not very large (as discussed above), this is an important step in providing the model with more examples to learn from. It also reduces the models chances of overfitting and increases models robustness. This step will hoepfully make the model have better performance.

```
[]: data_augmentation = tf.keras.Sequential([
    RandomFlip("horizontal"), # Flips images horizontally
    RandomRotation(0.2), # Rotates images by up to 20%
    RandomZoom(0.2), # Zooms images by up to 20%
])
```

The step below optimizes the data pipeline. The cache() operation caches this dataset in memory so it can be loaded faster. The shuffle() operation shuffles the elements using a buffer of the specified size, this helps with randomixation. The prefetch() operation fetches the elements of the datset in the background.

```
[]: train = train.cache().shuffle(1000).prefetch(buffer_size=tf.data.AUTOTUNE)
test = test.cache().shuffle(1000).prefetch(buffer_size=tf.data.AUTOTUNE)
```